

# PRECISION

## X-RAY IRRADIATION

- Combined Global experience and installed base
- World's largest dedicated cabinet x-ray company
- 1000s of systems in use worldwide
- Dedicated to Radiation, Agriculture, and Cancer Research
- Combined service and technical expertise
- Advanced development with partnerships worldwide

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# X-ray irradiation

## Introduction to cabinet irradiators

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- A cabinet x-ray system is a **lead-lined** cabinet that contains an **x-ray tube and high voltage generator**.
- Meets all radiation safety requirements specified in **Federal Regulation 21 CFR 1020.40 -  $< 0.5\text{mR}$  per hour at 5cm from any surface**.
- The fully-enclosed system requires **no** additional shielding or safety precautions
- X-ray irradiators are **safer, simpler, and less costly and much more versatile** than radioisotope alternatives (Cesium, Cobalt, etc.).





# Precision X-Ray and Faxitron X-Ray Irradiators

Long Tradition of Supplying Alternatives to Gamma Sources for Pre-clinical Radiation Research Based Studies

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- X-Ray Beam inside fully shielded lead cabinet
- Beam projects from X-Ray source at top of cabinet
- Easily controlled with collimation and shielding
- Control of kV, mA and time.
- Improved safety – energy turns on and off
- Cesium Replacement



*Faxitron CP160: 1996*



*Precision X-Ray X-RAD 320: 2006  
National Cancer Institute*



# Key Improvements Since 2008 Radiation Use and Replacement Report

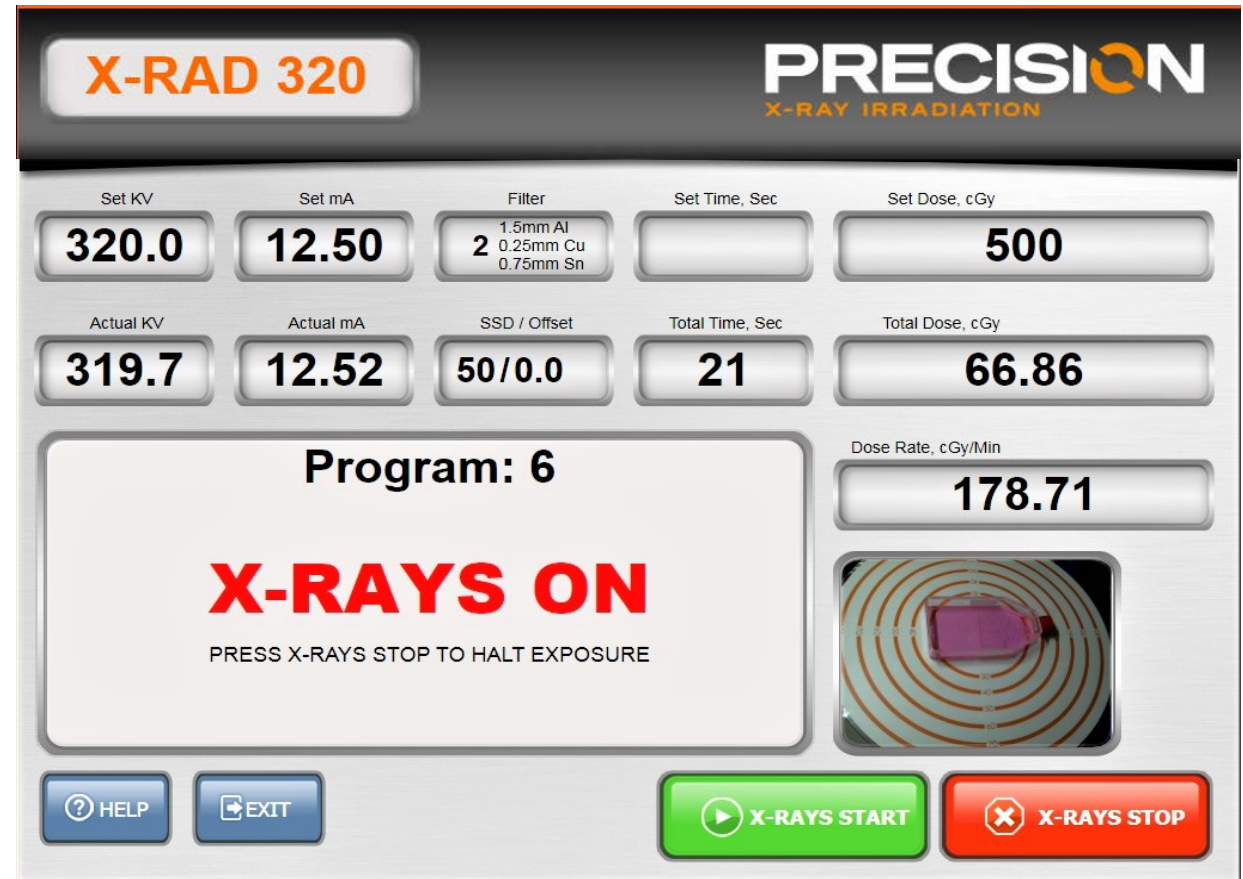
How PRECISION has led the way to make X-ray Irradiators more powerful and more foolproof

## Track the Variables

- Touchscreen User Interface Control Software
- Integrated Dosimetry and Dose Control
- Automated Shelf Positioning
- Automated Adjustable Collimators
- Automated Filter Control
- Automated Dose QA
- Programmable Control and Database of All Above

## Add Capabilities

- Higher power for higher throughput studies
- Improved Treatment Targeting with Imaging:
  - 2D and 3D X-Ray/CT and Bioluminescent Imaging
- Rotating and Planetary rotating shelf modules
- Full Treatment Planning Software (SmART System)
- Environmental Controls ( O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, Temperature)
- Dose Mapping Services
- Multiple Systems for Specific Applications and Budgets





# Our Products

Innovative x-ray systems

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CellRad System  
(130 kV)



MultiRad Systems  
(160, 225, 350 kV)



X-Rad Systems  
(160, 225, 320 kV)



SmART+ System  
(225 kV)

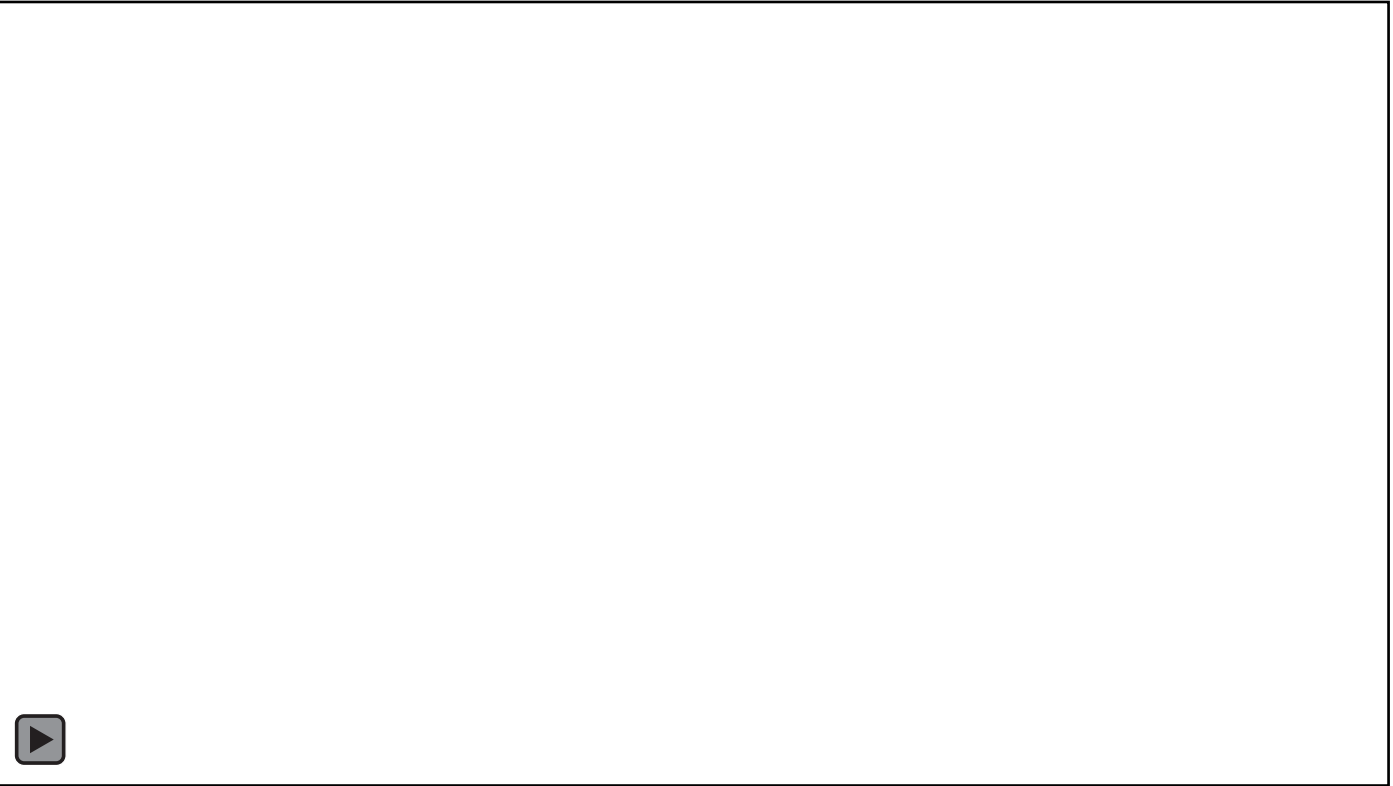


# CellRad

Only benchtop cell irradiator

Why did we create this system?

- Designed for cell culture room placement
- Plugs directly into a traditional outlet
- Integrated dose measurement and quality assurance





# MultiRad Systems

Cabinet irradiators built to be fully integrated

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Why did we create this system?

- Fully integrated system with closed-loop cooling system included in footprint
- Integrated internal dose measurement and quality assurance
- Automated shelf, collimator and filter wheel options
- Minimal training required for use





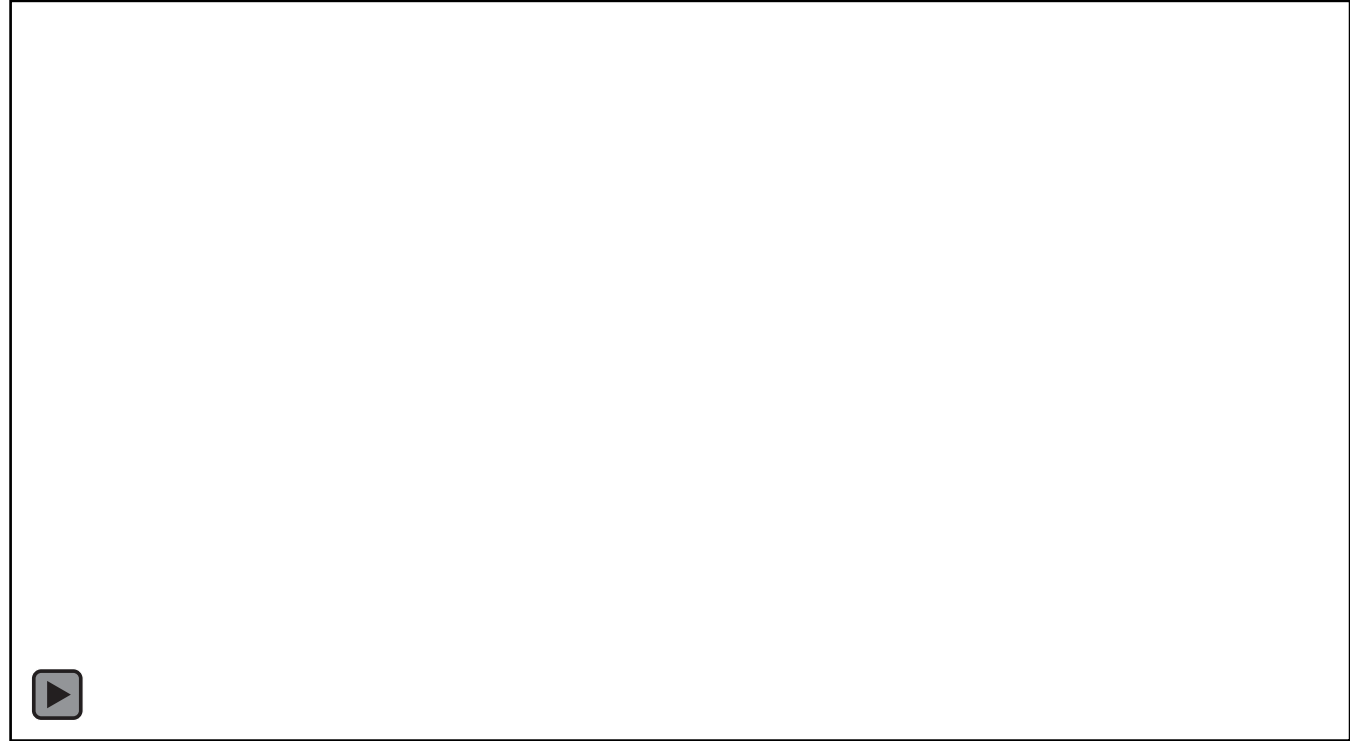
# X-Rad Systems

Expandable x-ray irradiation and imaging platform

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Why did we create this system?

- Extra large internal chamber and high dose rate for increased throughput
- Modular design presents opportunity to upgrade system upon purchase or later
- Most widely published x-ray irradiator in the world



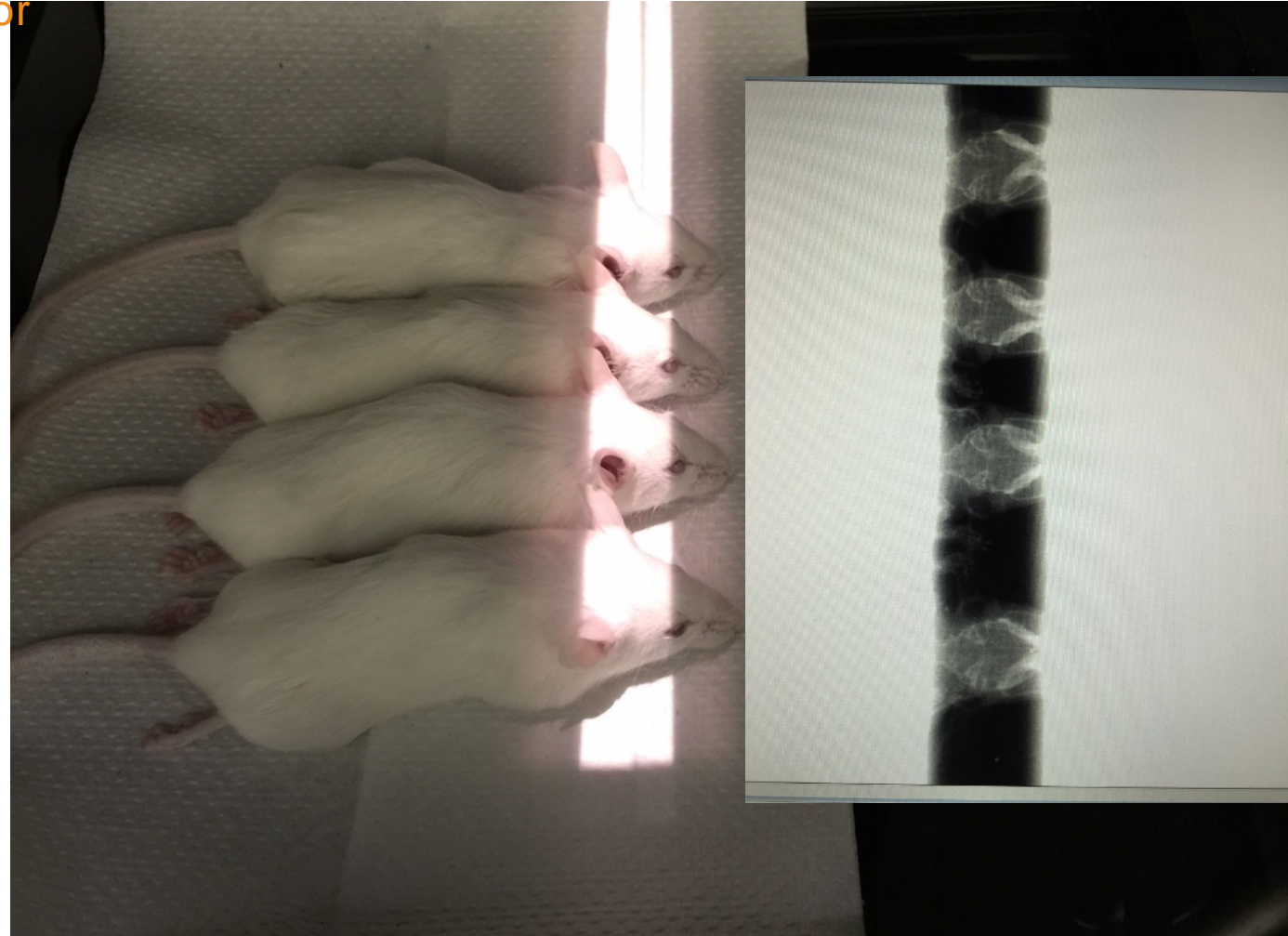
*Planetary Pie Turntable in X-Rad 225XL*



# X-Rad Collimation and OptiMAX Targeting

## Targeted Head irradiation with Variable Collimator

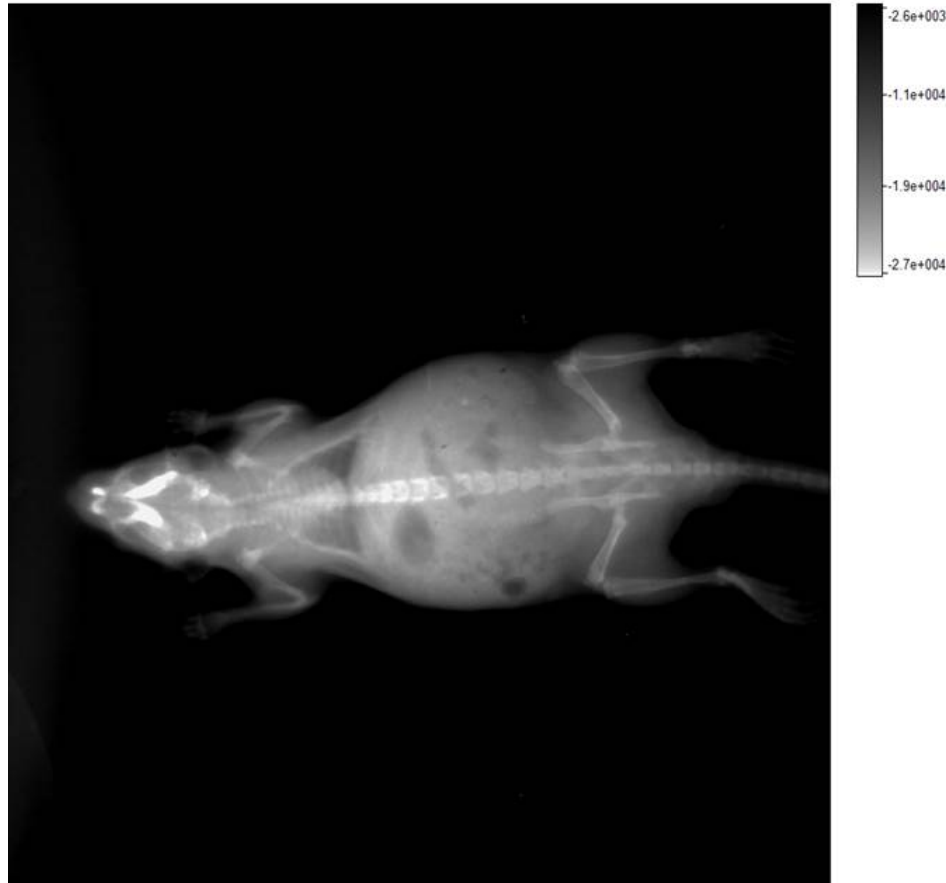
- Variable collimator set to expose brain only
- Light field demonstrates beam delivery
- Multiple mice can be targeted at once
- X-ray imaging verifies brain as targeted tissue



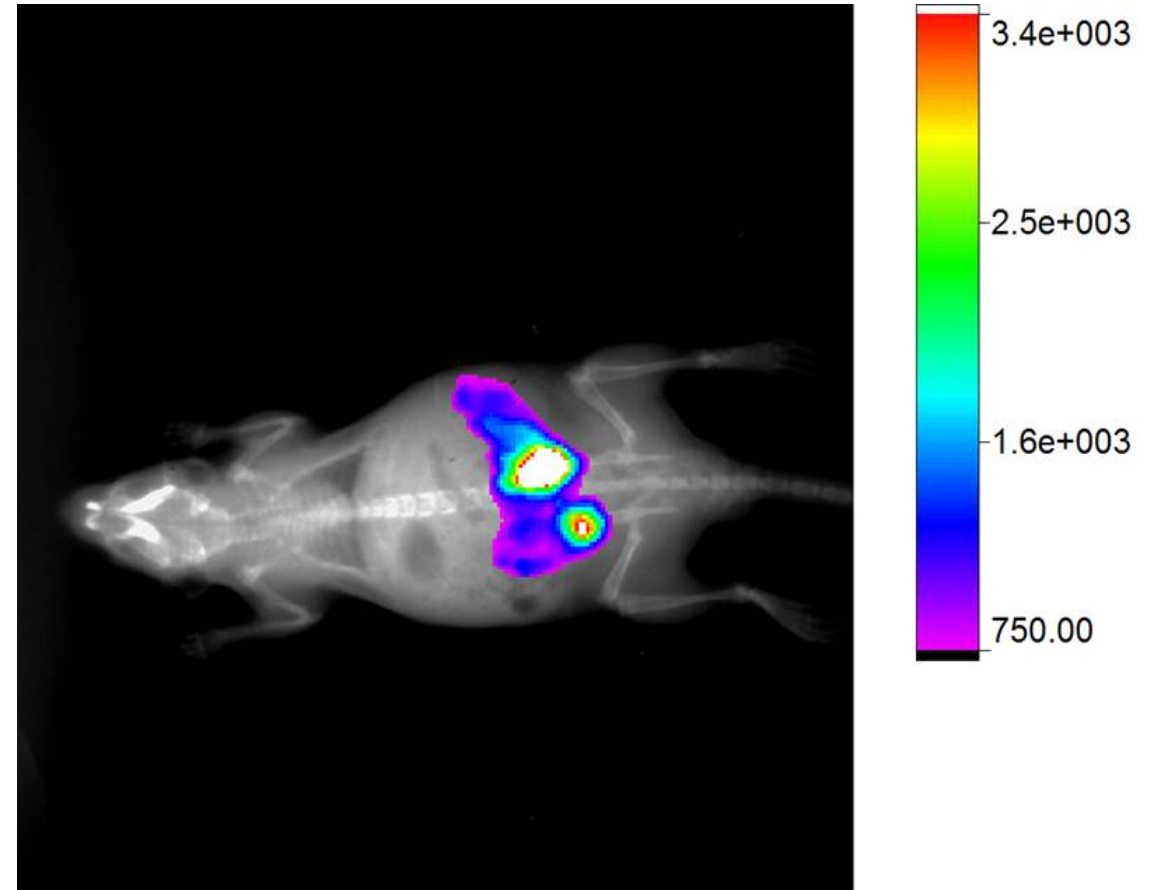


# OptiMAX X-ray and luminescence imaging

Capability to overlay luminescence and x-ray imaging



X-ray at 50kV



Luminol Luminescence Overlaid on X-ray



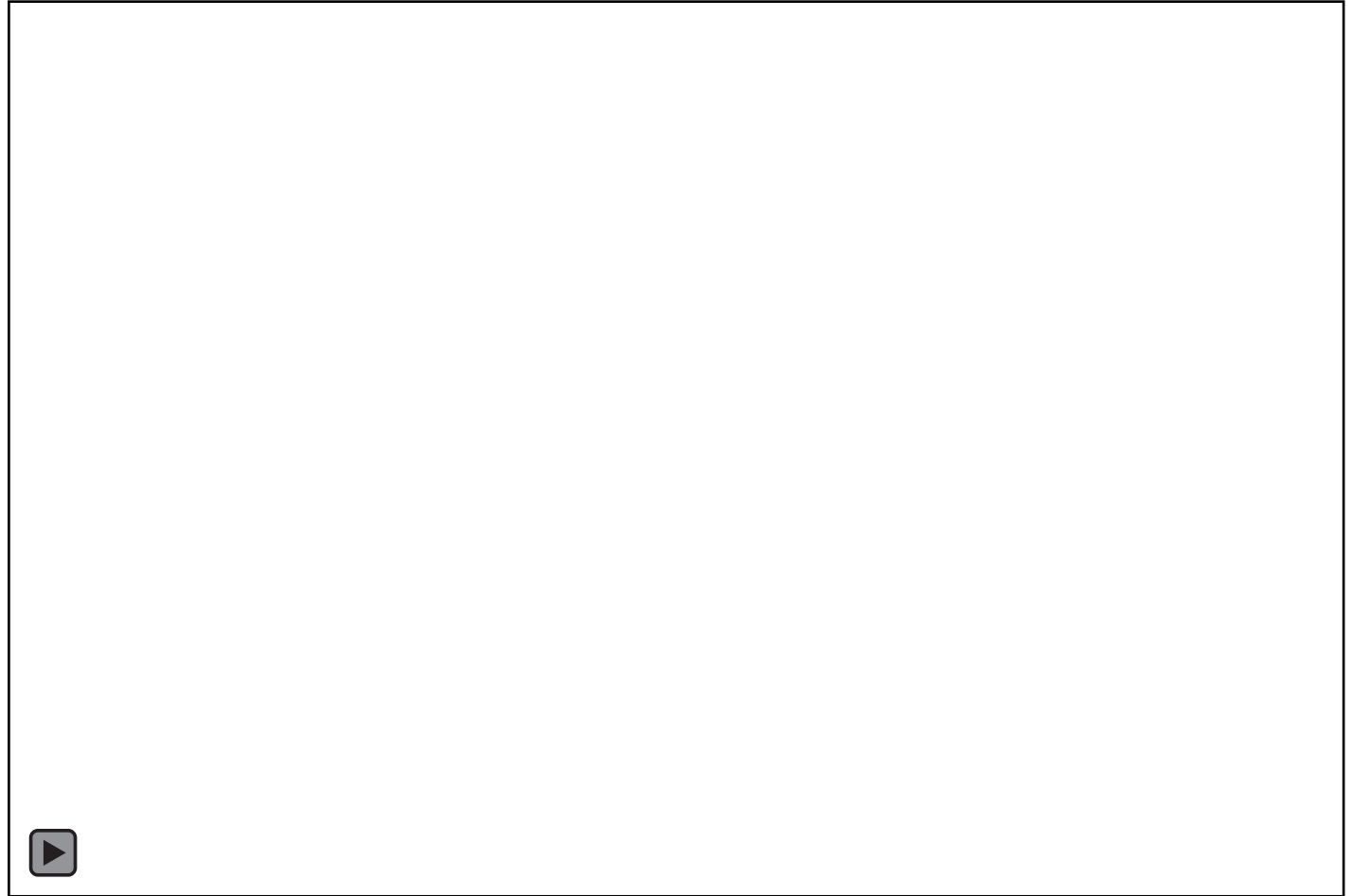
# SmART+ System

Small animal image guided radiation therapy system

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Why did we create this system?

- Clinically relevant system for greater **translatability**
- CT image-guidance enables treatment planning with increased delivery precision
- Onboard imaging modalities enable novel therapeutic response evaluation and tracking

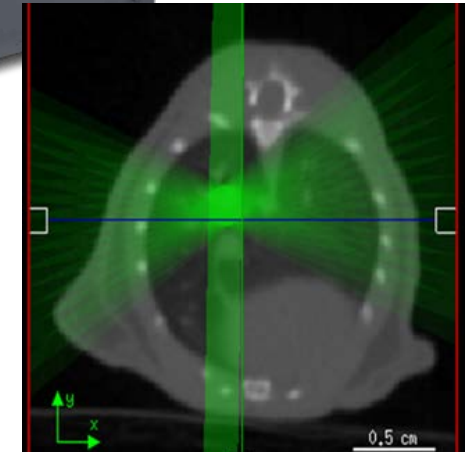
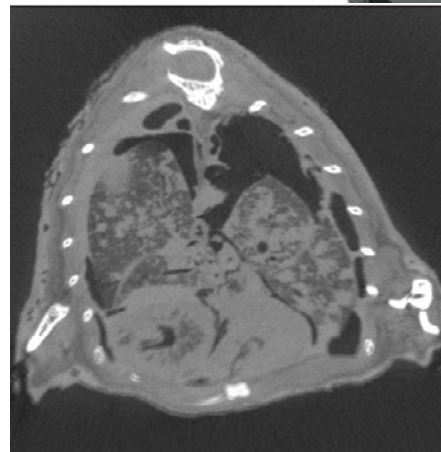




# SmART+ System

## Small Animal image guided Radiation Therapy system

- Accurate , Repeatable Targeting
- Minimal impact on surrounding tissue
- True MicroCT imaging
- Bioluminescence Imaging
- Full Treatment Planning with 3D commissioning
- Large Chamber for Cells, Mice, Rats, Rabbits
- NEW – SmART+ IB System for Proton and other heavy ion beamlines





# Cesium Irradiator Replacement Project (CIRP)

## How does it work?

- The Department of Energy is working with users of cesium-137 based irradiators to convert to non-radioisotopic alternatives
- The government covers the following:
  - Proper disposal of cesium-137 irradiator
  - Up to 50% of the purchase price of a new X-Ray irradiator
- The site is responsible for the following:
  - The remaining 50% of new irradiator
  - Training, warranty/maintenance costs, and spare parts

## Cesium Irradiator Replacement Project

*Learn More About Permanent Risk Reduction and Incentives Offered by ORS.*



 **ORS**  
Office of Radiological Security  
*Protect • Remove • Reduce*



# Cesium irradiation vs X-ray irradiation

## An overview of published comparison studies

- Dose depth curve Cesium-137 matched up to 4 cm depth (320 kV x-ray irradiator with F2 Filter) or <2 cm (160 kV x-ray irradiator)<sup>1</sup>
- X-ray irradiation is better for collimation (partial body irradiation)<sup>1</sup>
- Equivalent dose rate, field size, and uniformity compared to cesium-137
- Important Studies:
  1. Smith, B. et al. University of California Systemwide Radioactive Source Replacement Workgroup Recommendations.
  2. Potter, C. et al. Radiobiological Studies Using Gamma and X Rays. Sandia Report. 2013.
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  6. Afrough B. et. Al. **X-ray Inactivation of RNA viruses without loss of biological characteristics.** Nature/Scientific Reports October 2020





# How we communicate with

researchers We want to understand what is important to them!

- What are the most important features you require?
- What are your applications?
- How long have you been using Cesium sources?
- What are your potential hesitations in switching to X-ray?
- What questions do you have for our team?





# Challenges moving forward?

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- Gaining consensus to change from broad group of researchers
- Control and reporting of remaining variables
  - Samples, sample holders, lead shields and collimators
- Support of additional comparative studies
- Improved training
- Improved reporting in publications
- Increased throughput for expanded applications

