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Dose verification in proton therapy: *vivid-pro*

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Challenges and objectives

- Problem: lack of accurate, in vivo dose verification in proton therapy for high-grade glioma, which limits treatment precision, affects patient outcomes, and hinders adaptive radiotherapy and clinical innovation.
- Topic 2 (SO2): integrate fragmented health research and innovation efforts
- High burden of the disease for patients and society, G€ cost.



Your approach to solve the problem

- Accurate F-18 PET dose checks in proton therapy
 - improve glioma treatment,
 - enable adaptive protocols, and
 - increase survival rate.



Is your project suitable for IHI?

- Solution
 - Medical Devices & Imaging: Development and deployment of the HANPET PET scanner by Oncovision.
 - Software/ICT: Integration of dose verification protocols into RayStation software by RaySearch Labs.
 - Biotech & Clinical Research: Involvement of clinical institutions (e.g., Biobizkaia HRI, Osakidetza, Bioaraba) in protocol validation, patient recruitment, and outcome monitoring.
- Public-Private Partnership
 - Public partners: I3M CSIC (ES), PARTEC (NL), Osakidetza (ES-EUS) hospitals, Bioaraba and Biobizkaia health research institutes (ES).
 - Private partners: Oncovision (PET scanner manufacturing), RaySearch Labs (software development).
 - The project also includes **scientific societies** (e.g., SEFM) and aims for **CE-certification** under EU and Spanish regulations, indicating regulatory collaboration.



Outcomes and Impact

- Outcomes: The proposal expects to deliver accurate in vivo dose verification using F-18 PET imaging, improved treatment precision for high-grade glioma, CE-certified HANPET scanners, and enhanced survival and quality of life for patients.
- The project ensures **translation** by developing CE-certified PET scanners, validated clinical protocols, and integrating dose verification tools into RayStation software for routine clinical use.
- It strengthens EU health industry competitiveness by fostering public—private collaboration, advancing medical imaging technologies, and enabling commercialization of innovative PET-based dose verification tools.
- The proposal benefits patients by improving treatment accuracy, reducing toxicity, enabling adaptive radiotherapy, and supporting ethical, patient-centric care with better survival outcomes.





We have

Expertise

- Medical Imaging & Instrumentation: EP25382365 patent.
- Clinical Research & Medical Physics.
- Software Integration.
- Scientific Societies: SEFM and AECC.

Resources

- HANPET Scanner Prototype.
- Simulation Data:.
- Preclinical Models.
- Clinical Infrastructure.
- Ethical Approvals & Protocols.





We need

- Expertise
- Clinical Trial Management
- Regulatory Affairs
- Health Data Analytics
- Ethics and Patient Advocacy

Resources

- Proton Therapy Centres
- Manufacturing Capacity
- Software Development Support
- Funding and Dissemination Channels



Additional information

- The method is patent-pending with EPO application: EP25382365
- Publication preprint at:
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