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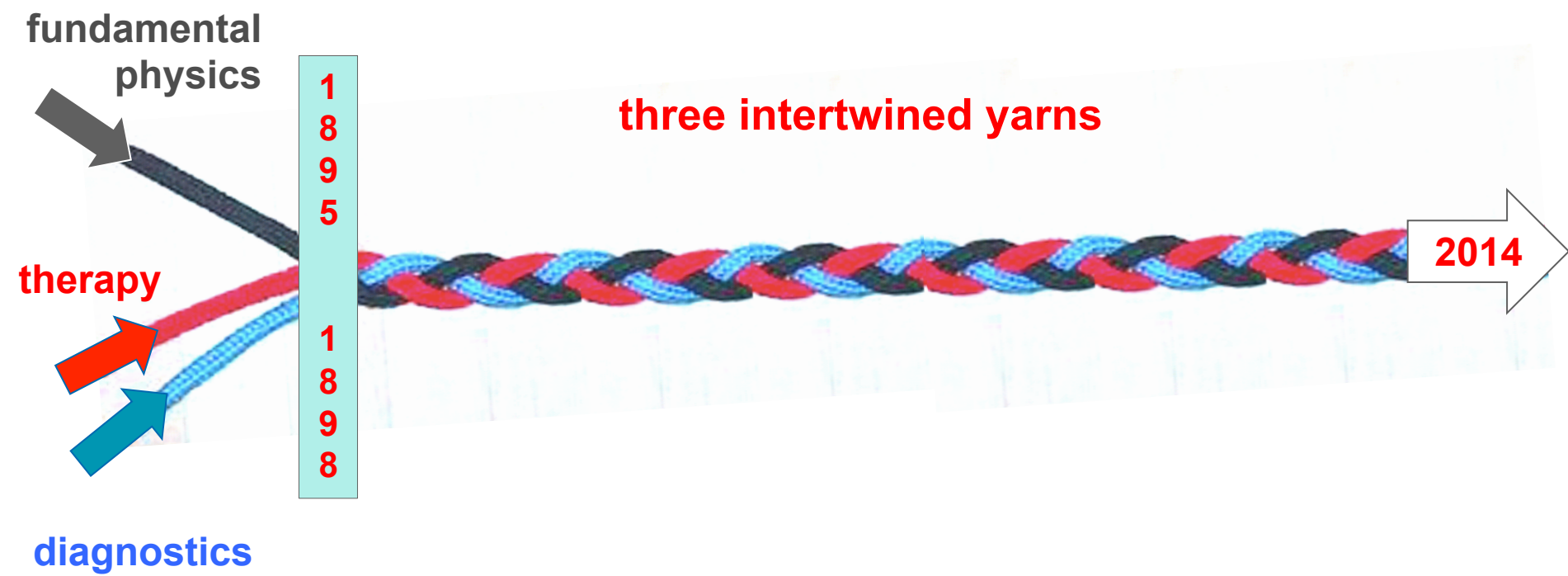
Particle Beams for Cancer Therapy

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120 years of particle accelerators are the best demonstration...



The beginnings

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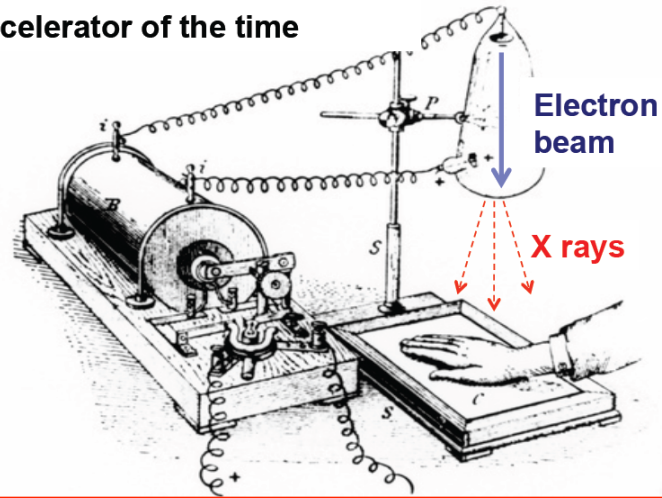
Curie radium

Roentgen rays

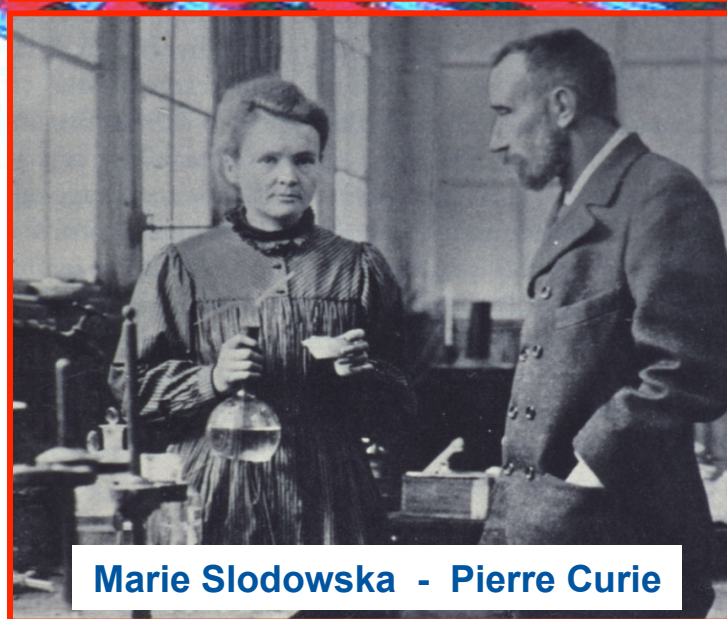
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Crookes tube : the best accelerator of the time



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Marie Skłodowska - Pierre Curie

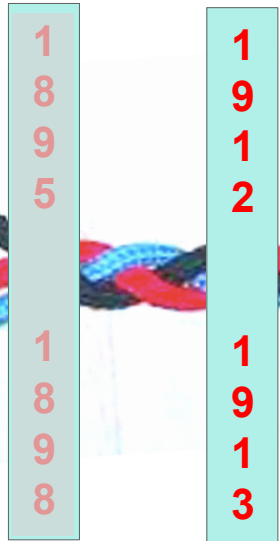


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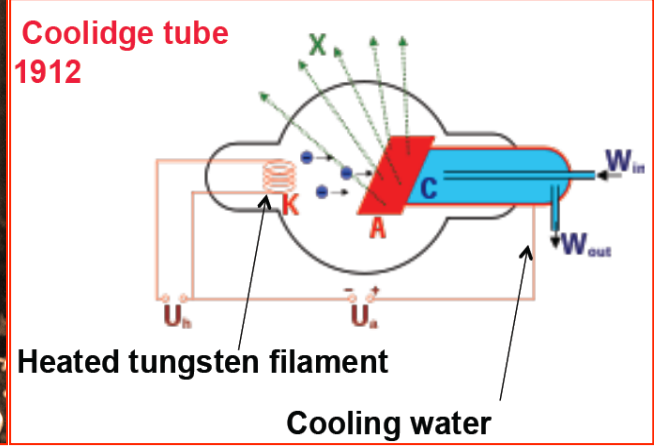
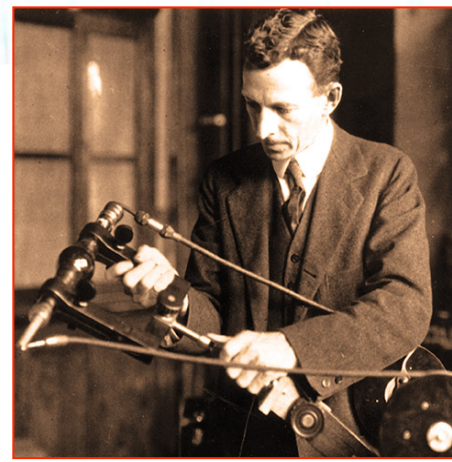
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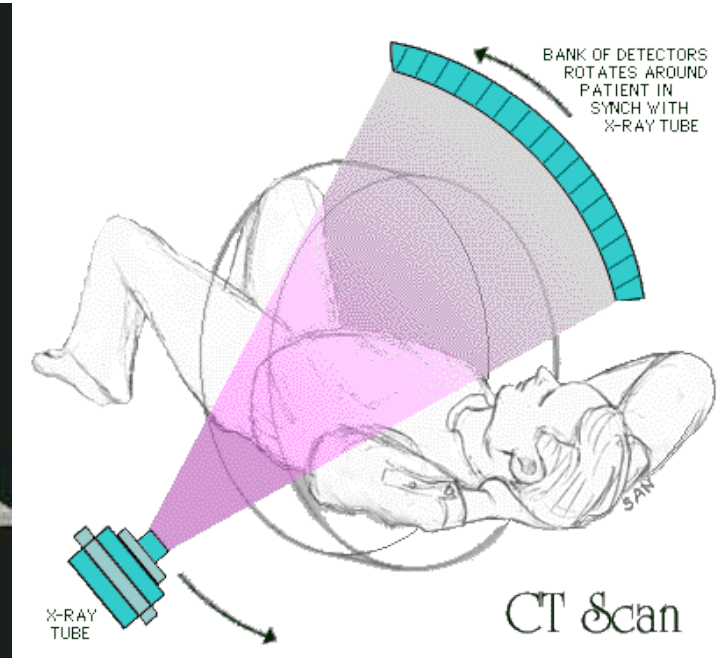


Coolidge tube

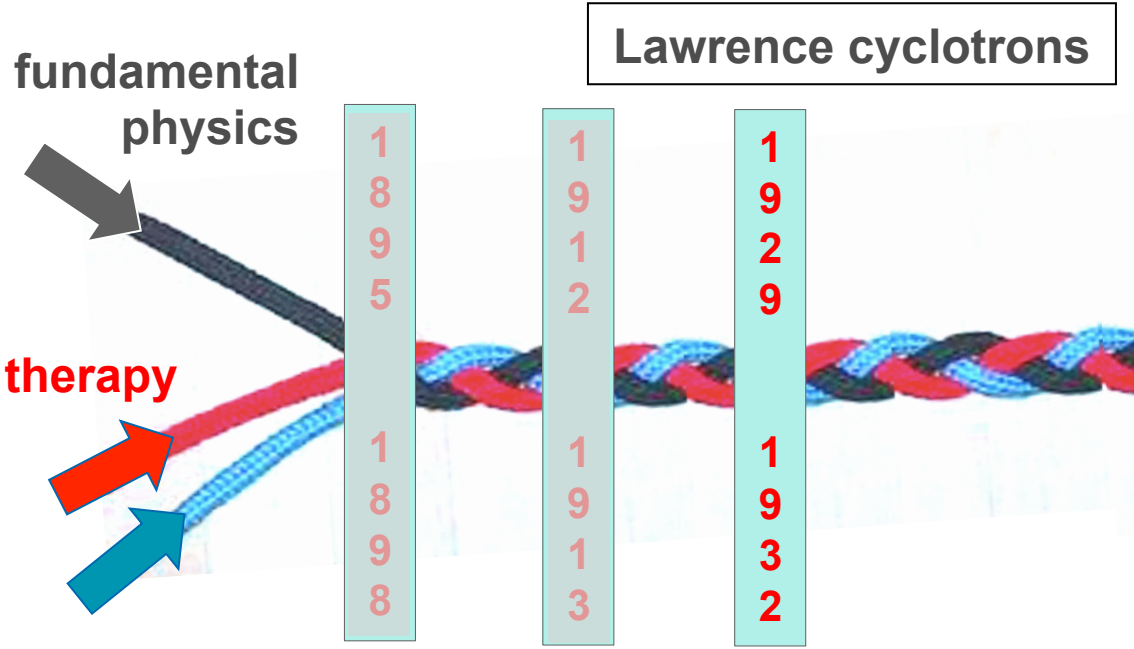
Coolidge tube



Today every CT scanner uses a Coolidge tube



About 15 years later an American giant contributed to the three yarns



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Lawrence cyclotrons

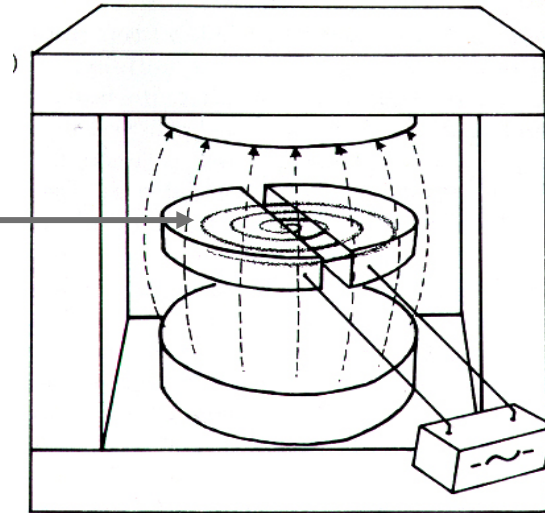
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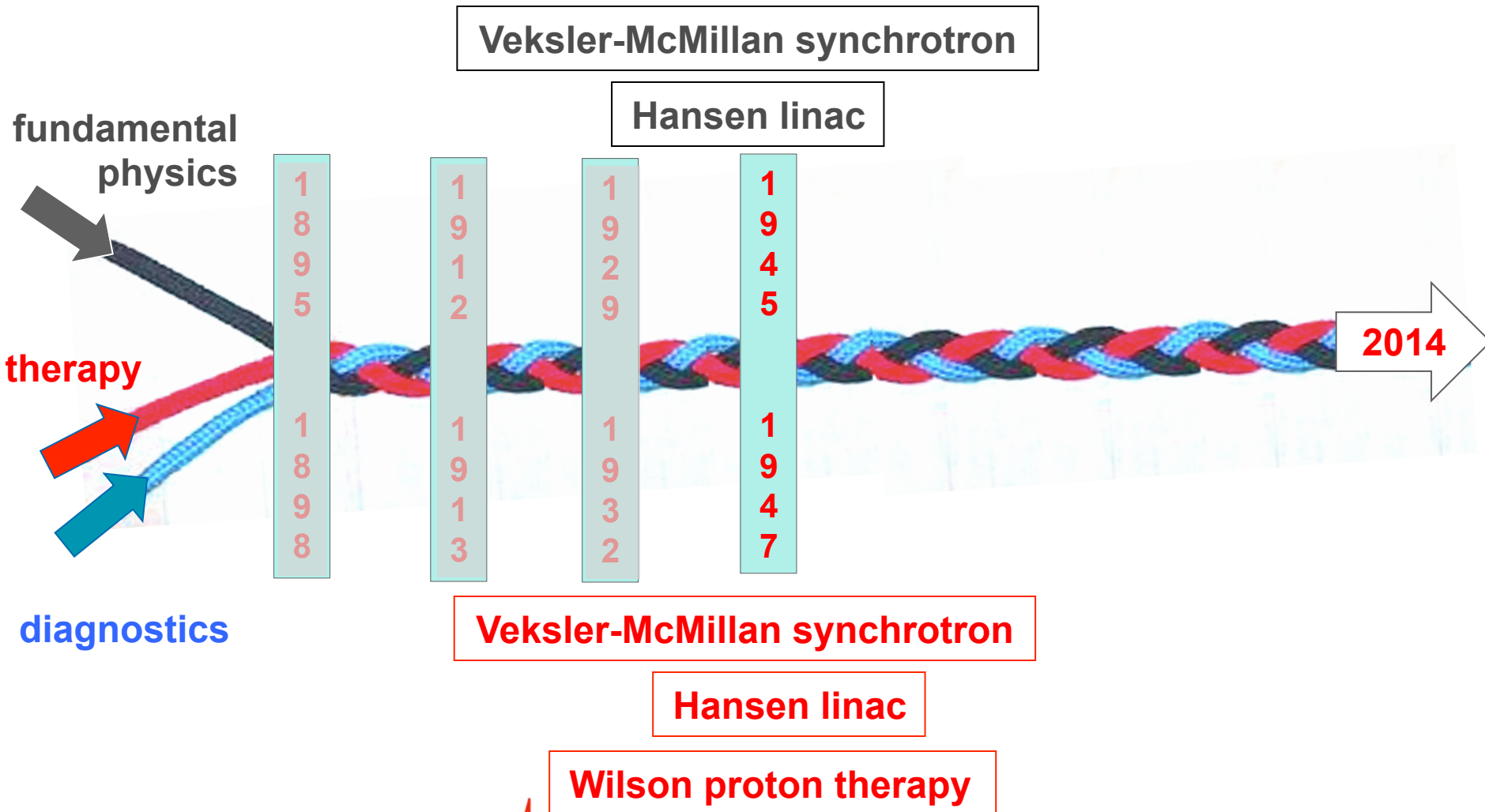
Spiral trajectory of an accelerated particle



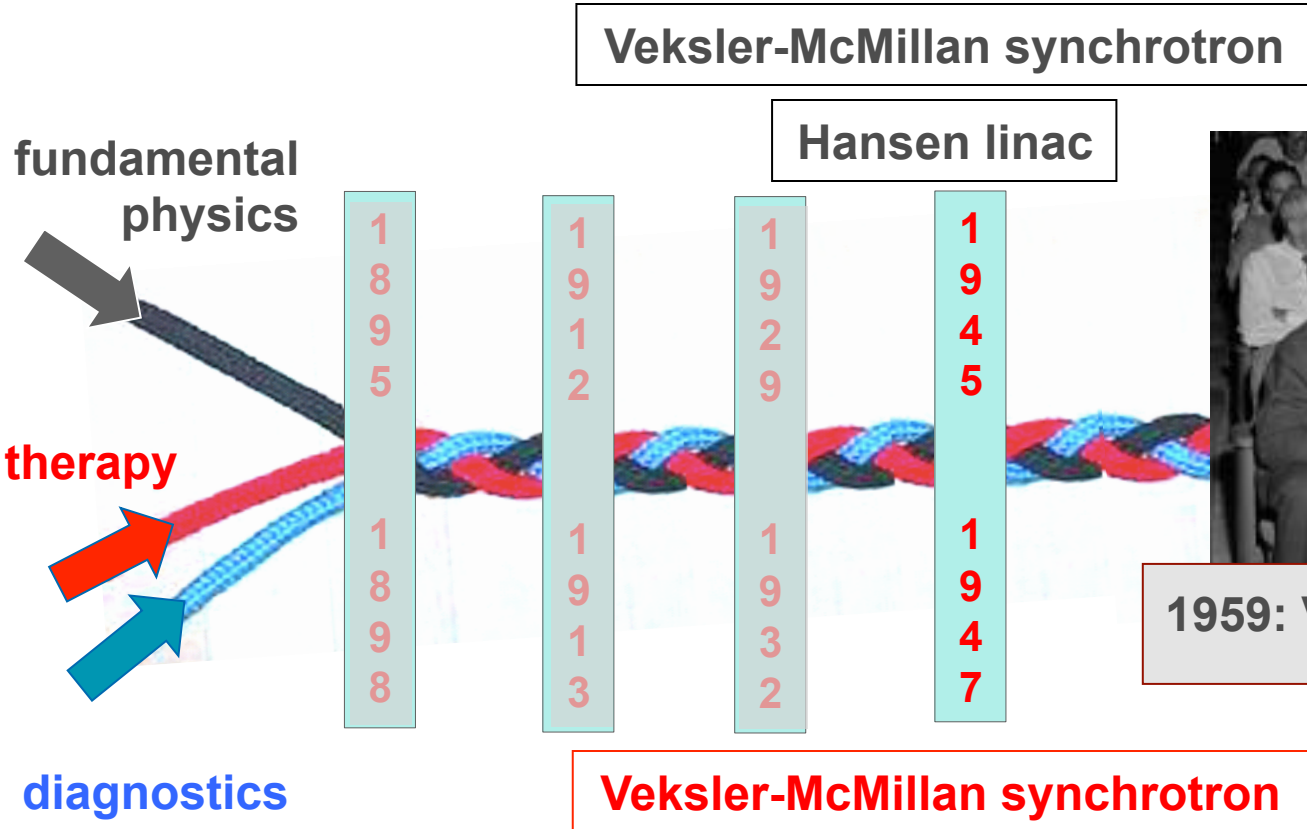
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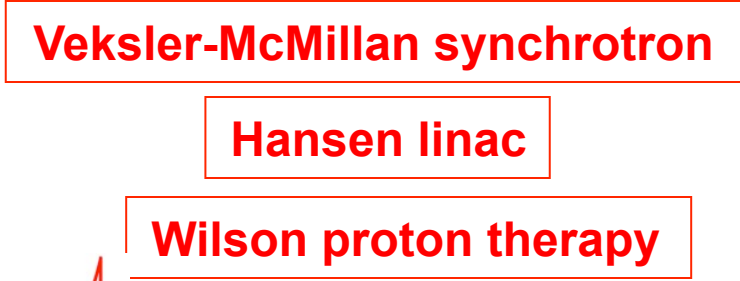
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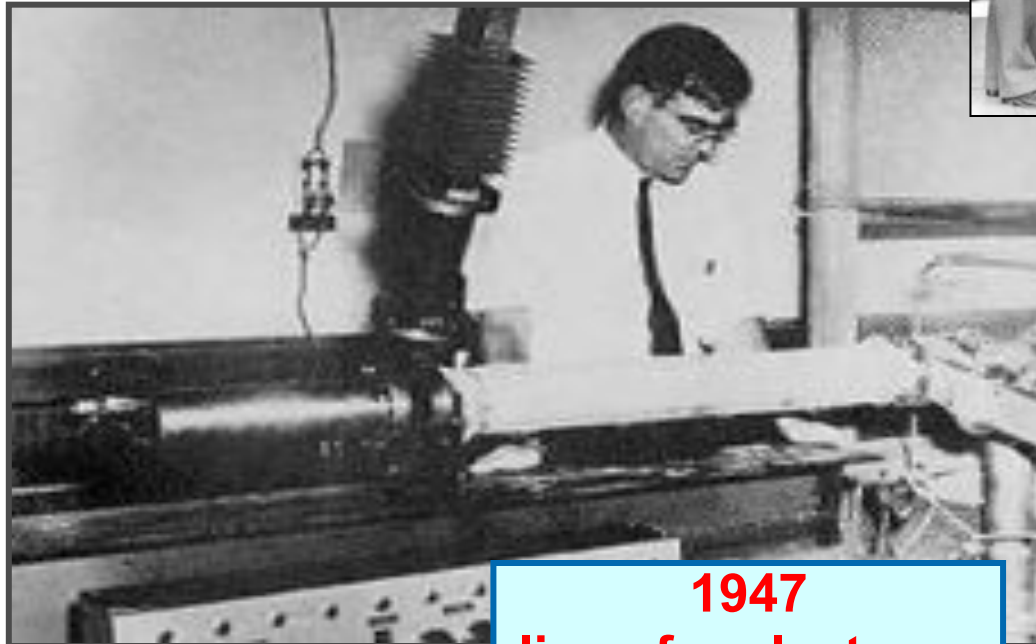


1959: Veksler visits McMillan



The first electron linac above 1 MeV

William W. Hansen

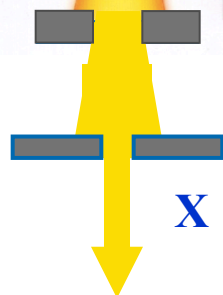
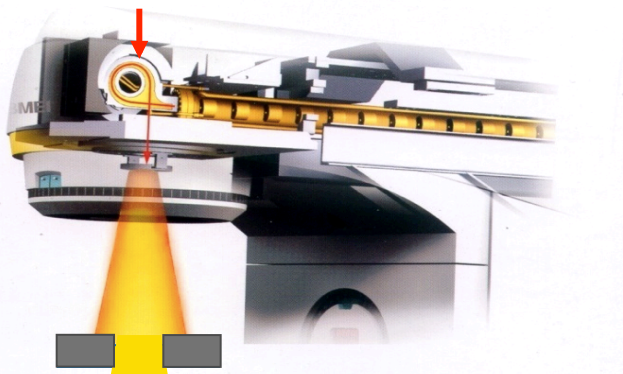


1947
linac for electrons
1.5 MeV at 3 GHz



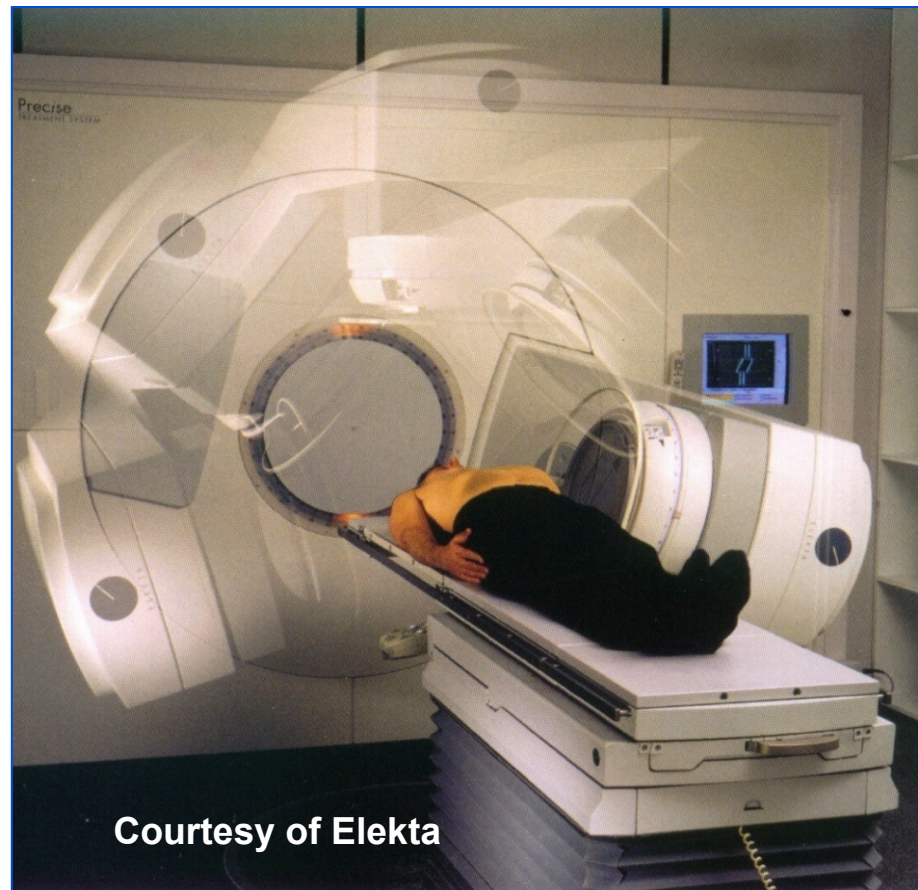
'Conventional' radiotherapy: linear accelerators dominate

electrons



**2000 patients/year every
in 1 million inhabitants**

1 treatment in 30 sessions

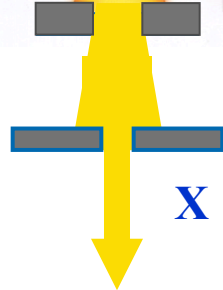
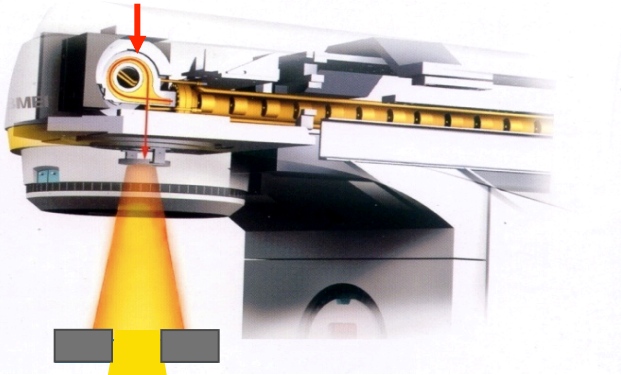


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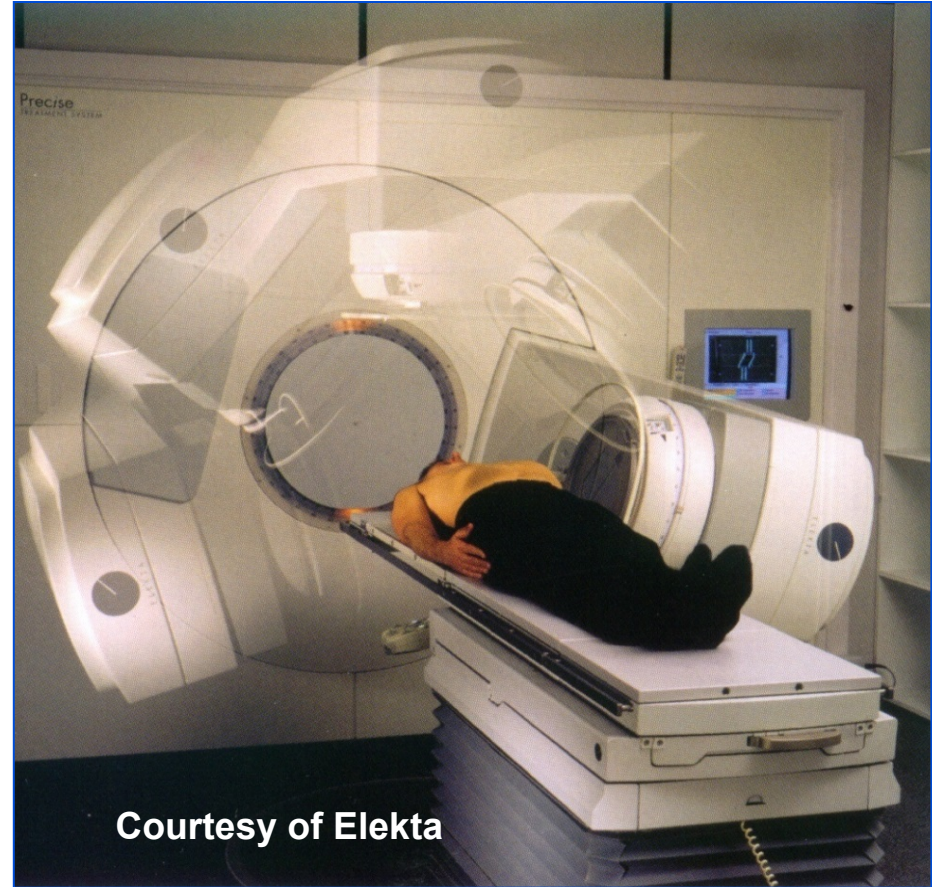
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**In the world radiation oncologists use
20 000 electron linacs**

50% of all the existing accelerators



70 years later VARIAN is still the market leader



VARIAN was founded in 1948 by W. Hansen, Russell Varian and Sigmur Varian



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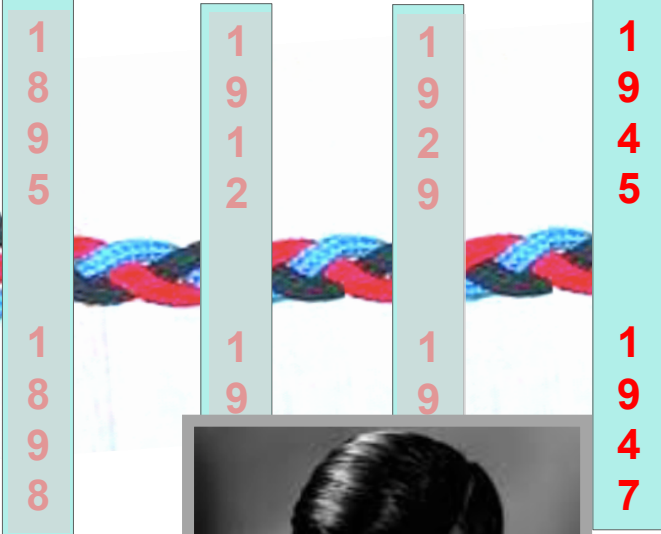
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1946: 'Bob' Wilson proposal

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Founder and first Director of FERMILAB (Chicago) 1967-1978



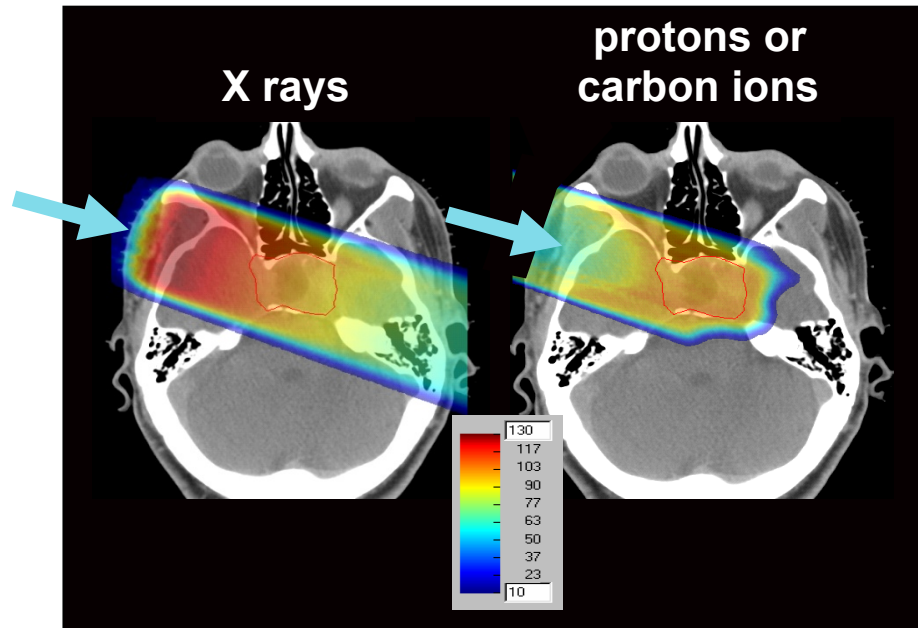
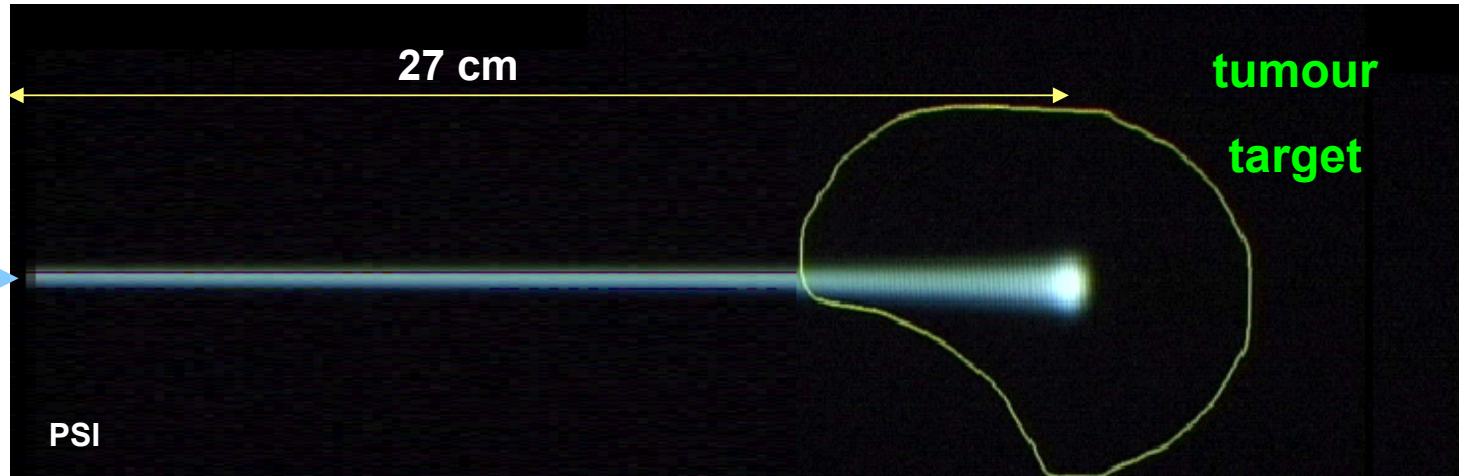
**Robert Wilson
Lawrence PhD student**



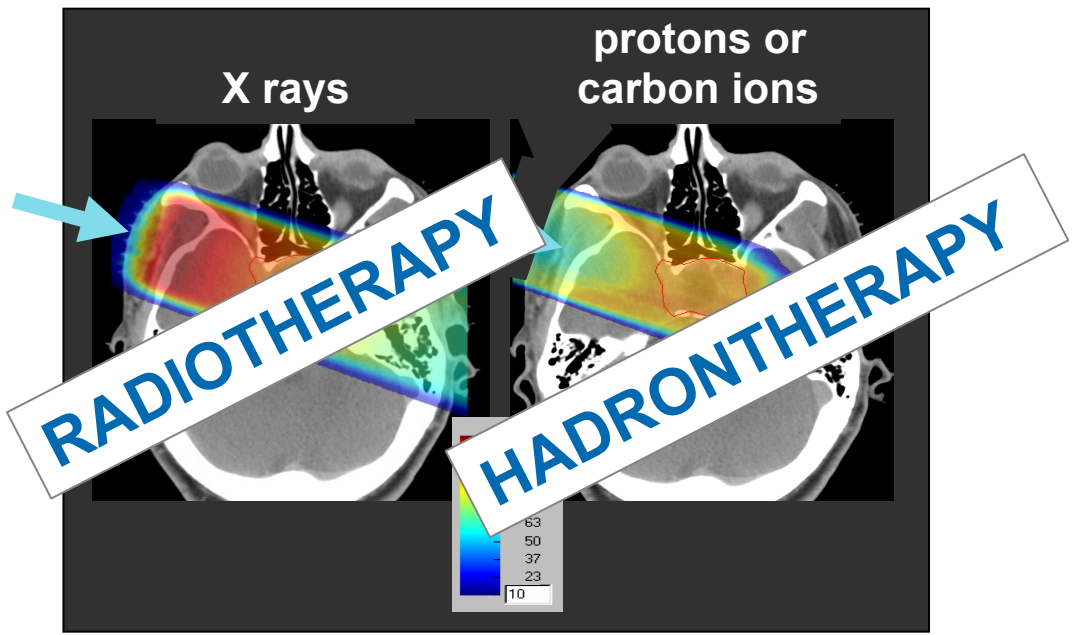
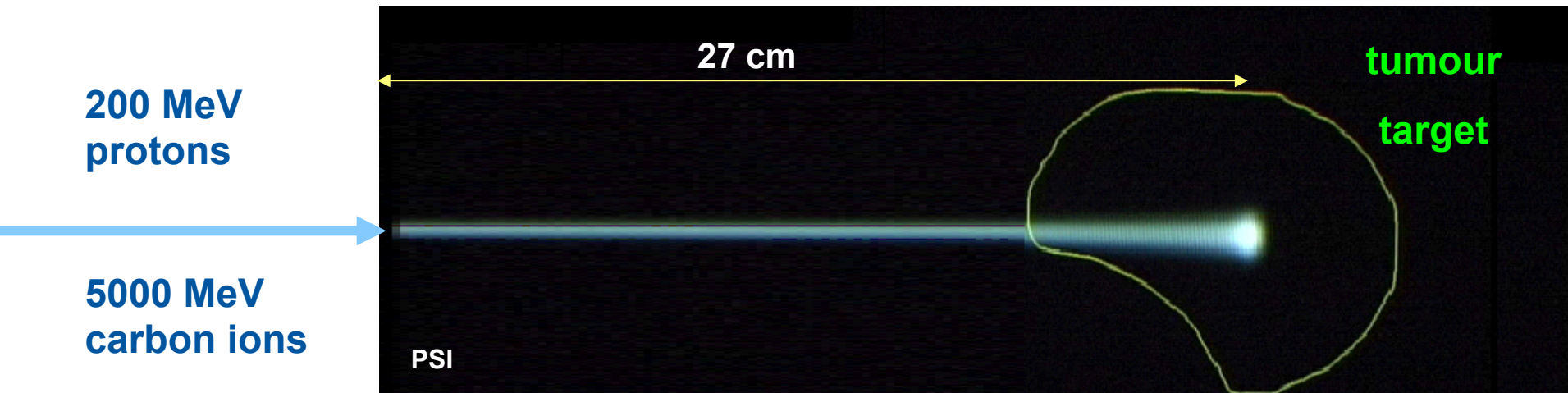
Protons and ions spare healthy tissue

200 MeV
protons

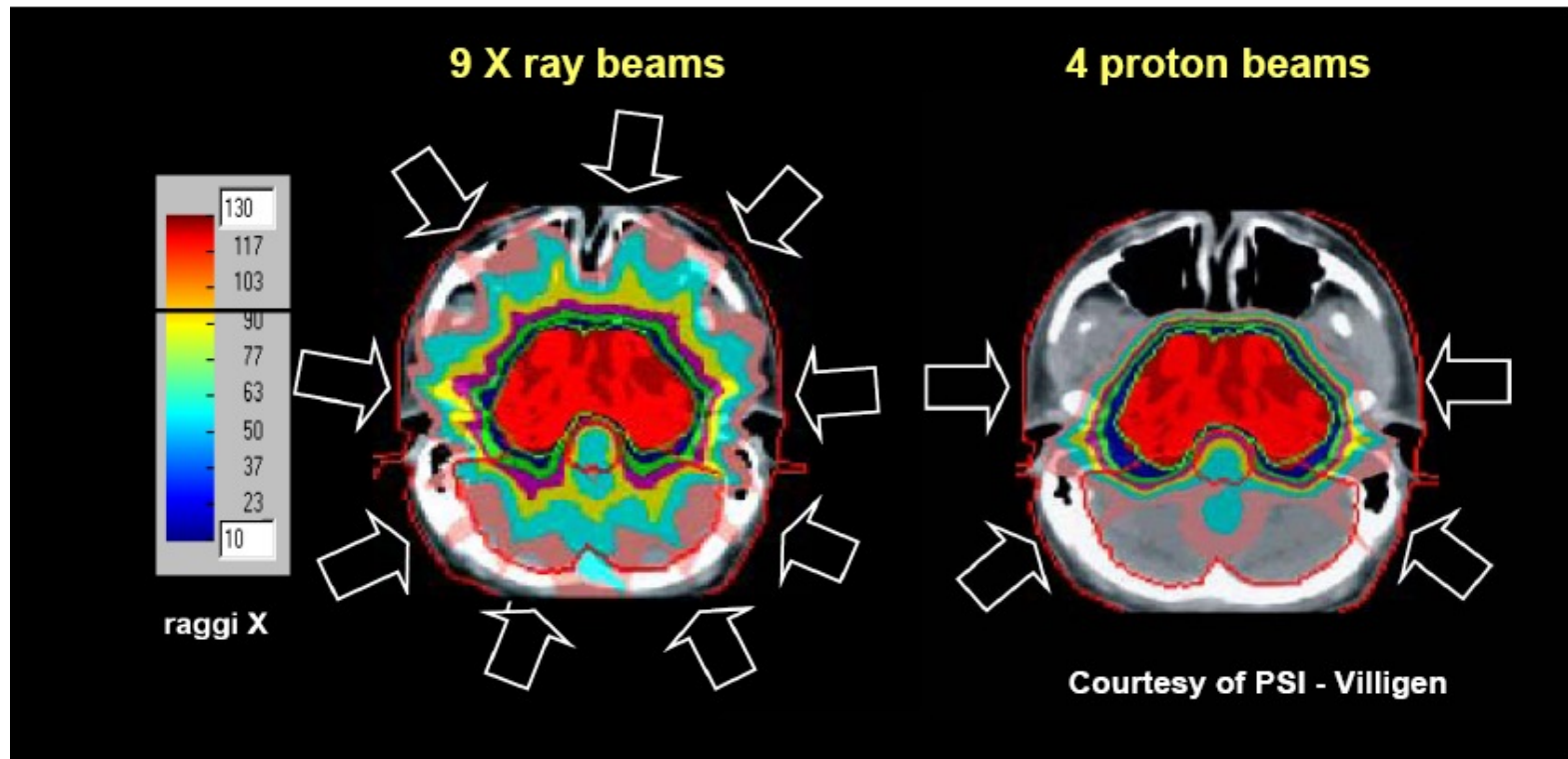
5000 MeV
carbon ions



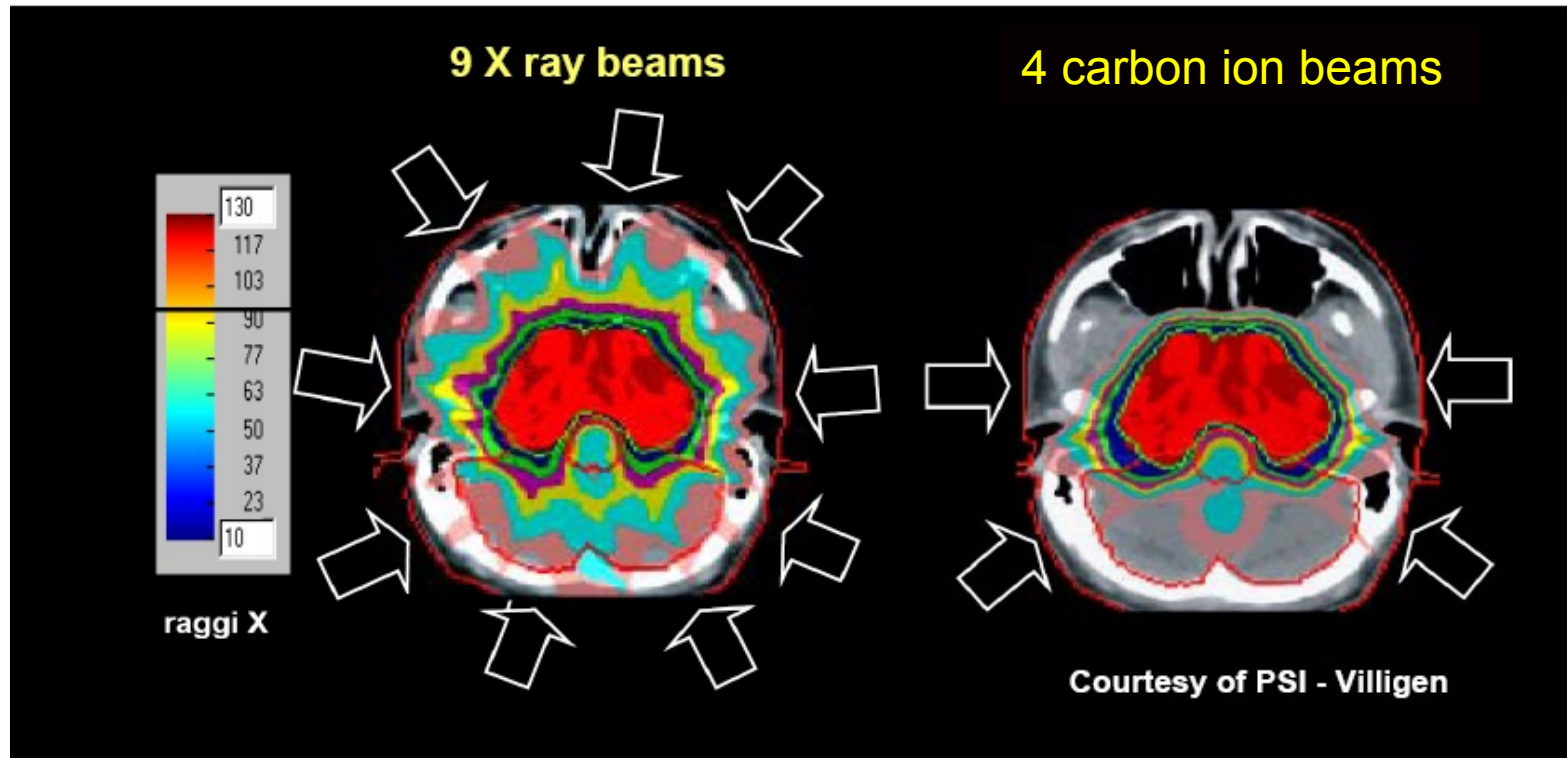
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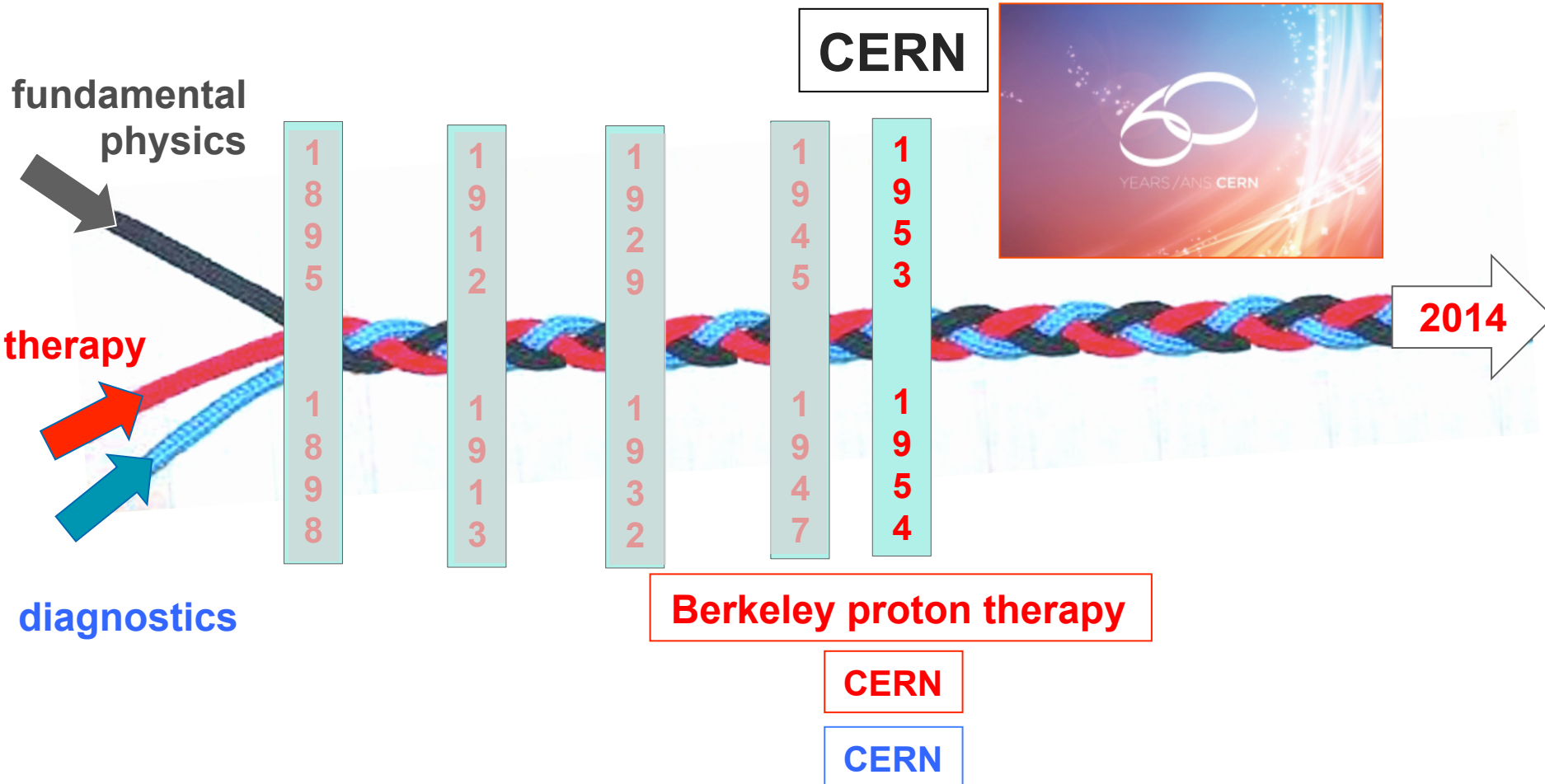
Comparison of the macroscopic dose distributions between X rays and protons



*In the tumour target carbon ions produce
CLUSTERED DOUBLE STRAND BREAKS
and can control radioresistant tumours*



60 years ago: CERN creation and first proton therapy



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Pituitary Irradiation with High-Energy Proton Beams A Preliminary Report*

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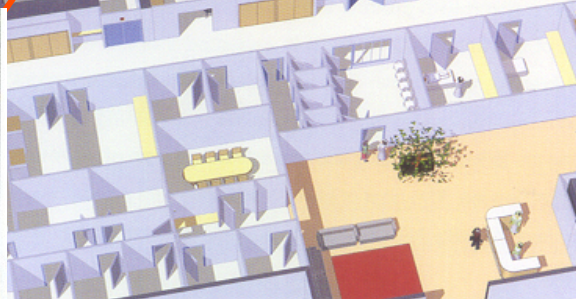
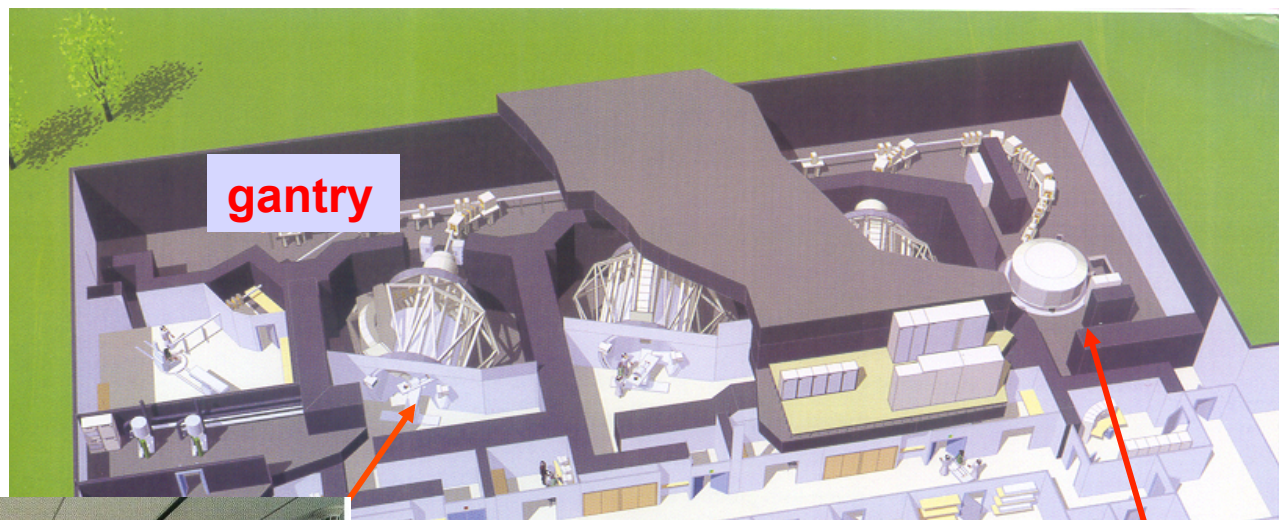
Berkeley proton therapy



Cornelius Tobias
"Toby"



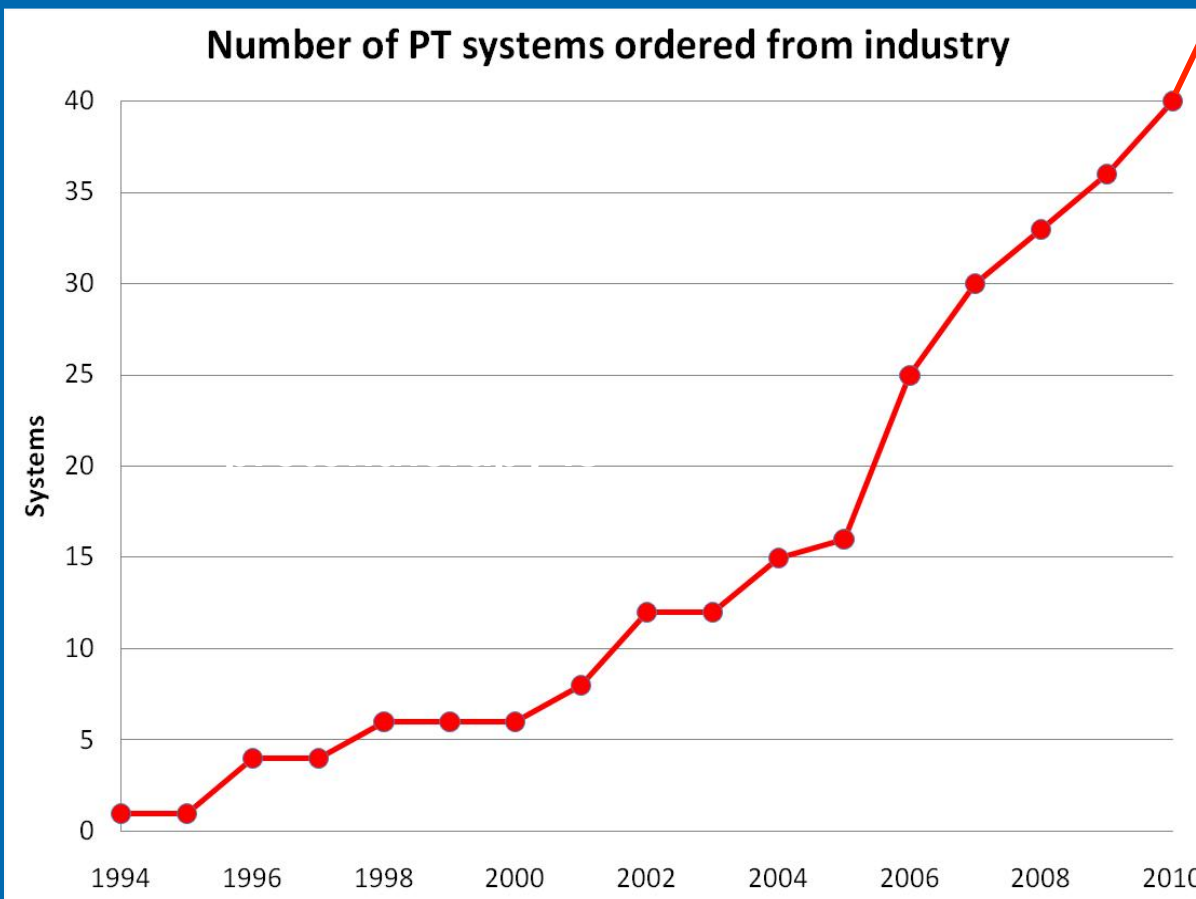
Proton therapy centers – with a cyclotron or a synchrotron and many rooms - proliferate



**230 Mev
cyclotron**



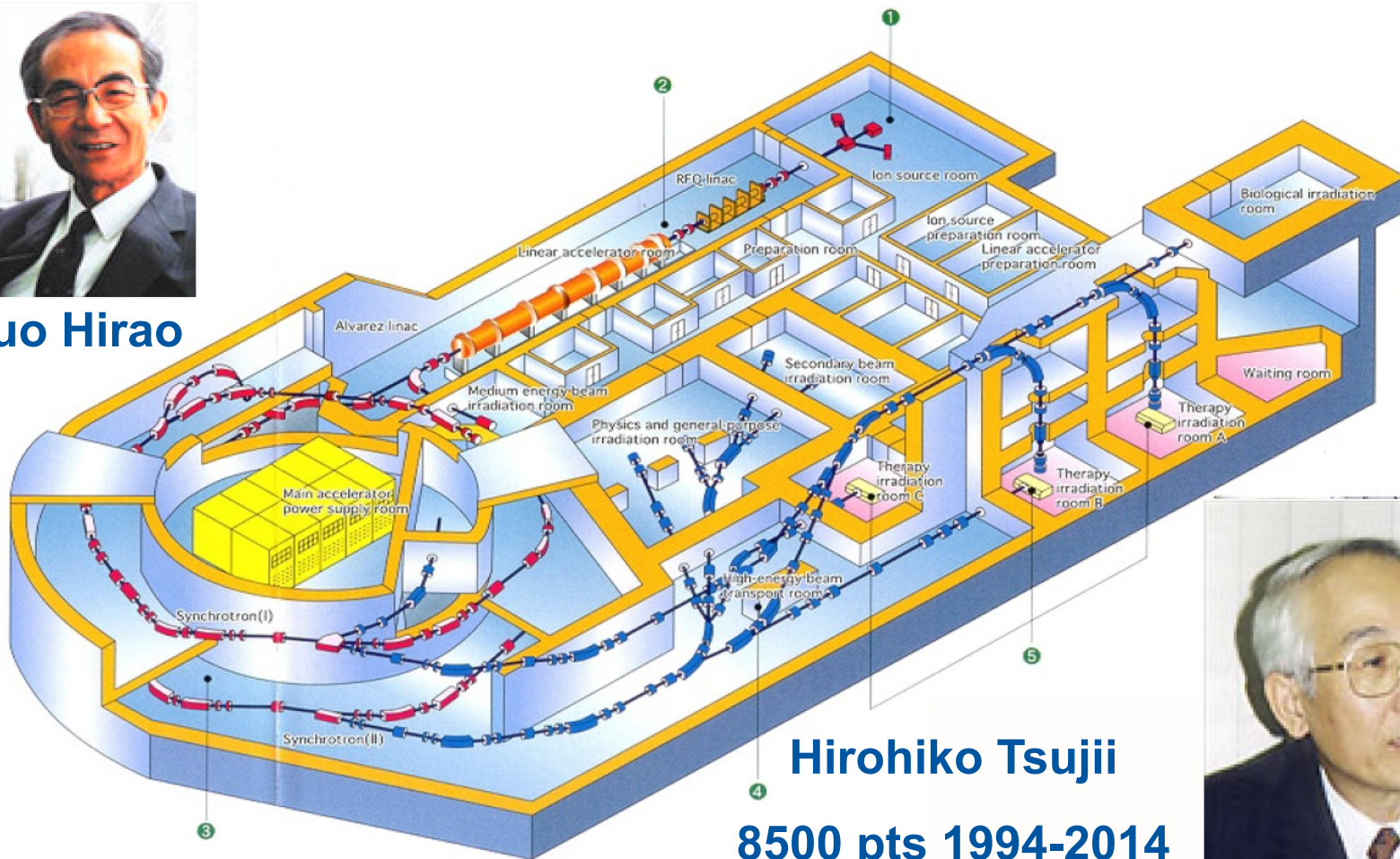
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HIMAC in Chiba is the pioneer of carbon therapy



Yasuo Hirao



Hirohiko Tsujii
8500 pts 1994-2014



Contributions of CERN to the red yarn



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In 1995 U.A. and M. Regler convinced CERN to start Proton Ion Medical Machine Study, PIMMS

Optimized synchrotron for therapy

Project Leader: Phil Bryant

Chair of PAC: Giorgio Brianti

1996-2000



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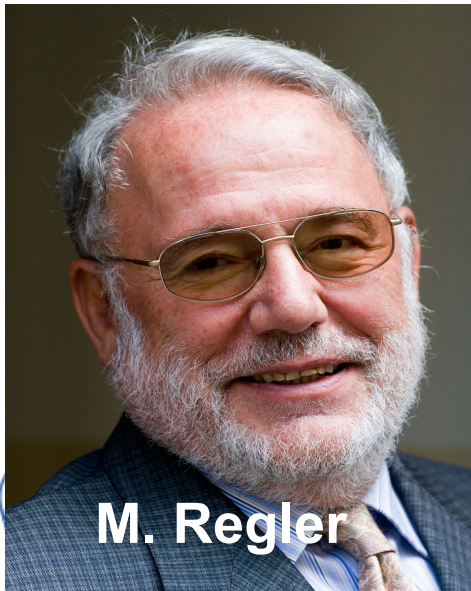
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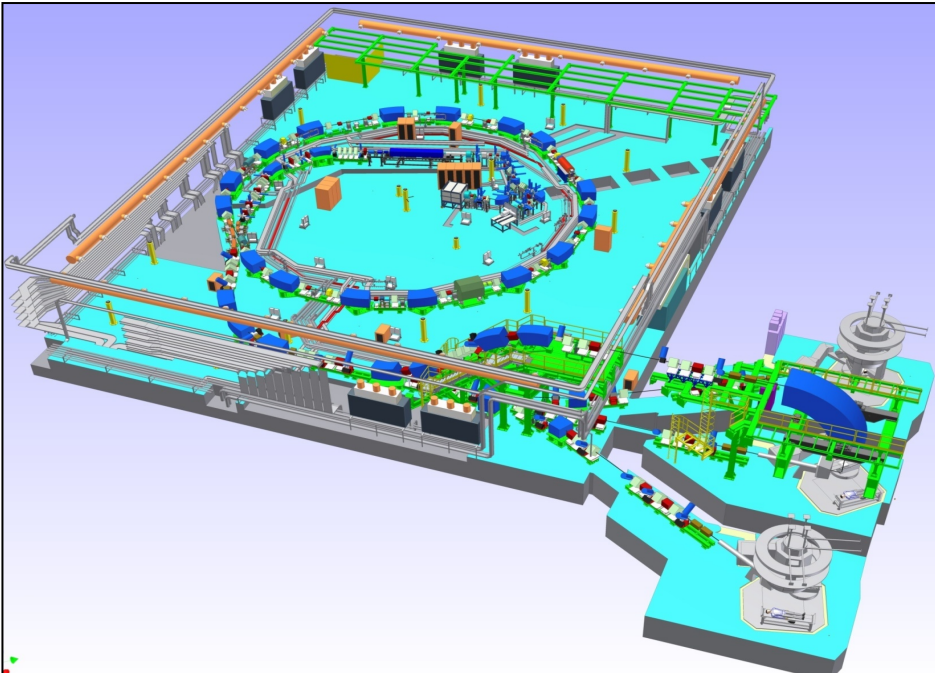
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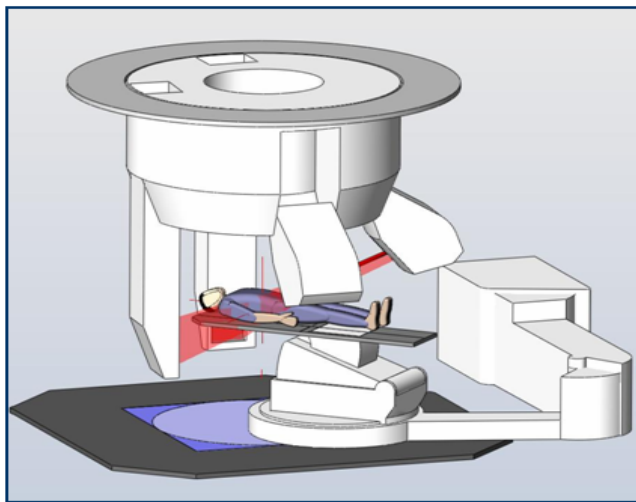
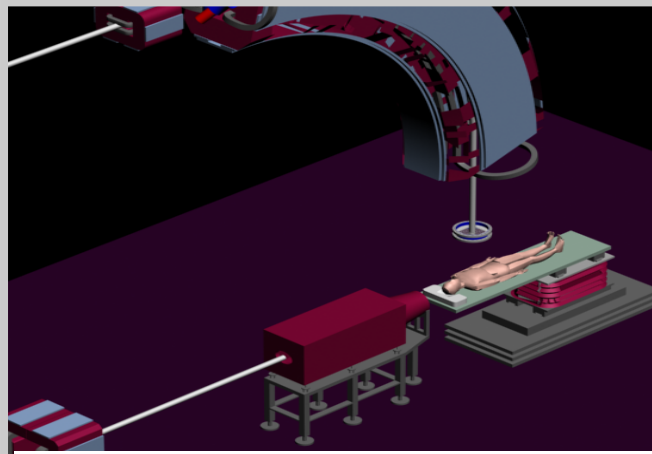


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The Italian National Centre for Hadrontherapy CNAO has been designed by TERA and built in Pavia by CNAO Foundation



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September 2014: 300 patients treated



MedAustron promoted and participated in PIMMS



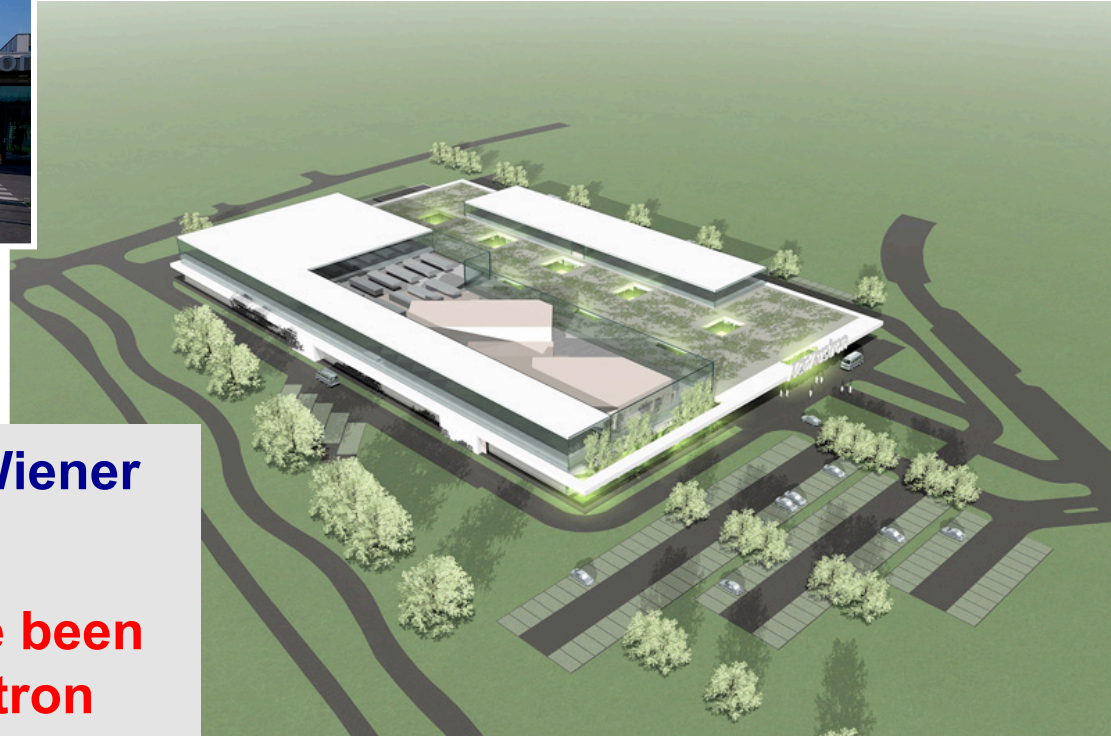
MedAustron in Wiener Neustadt



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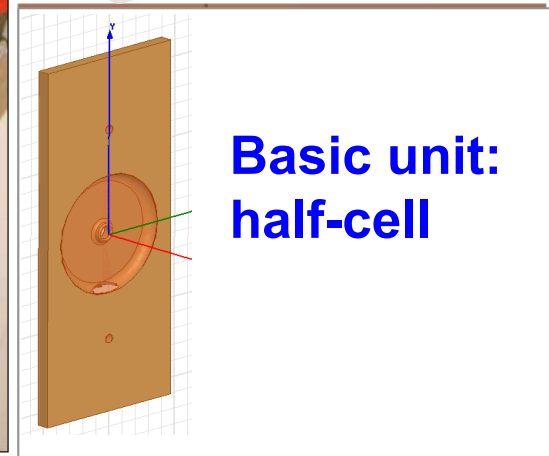
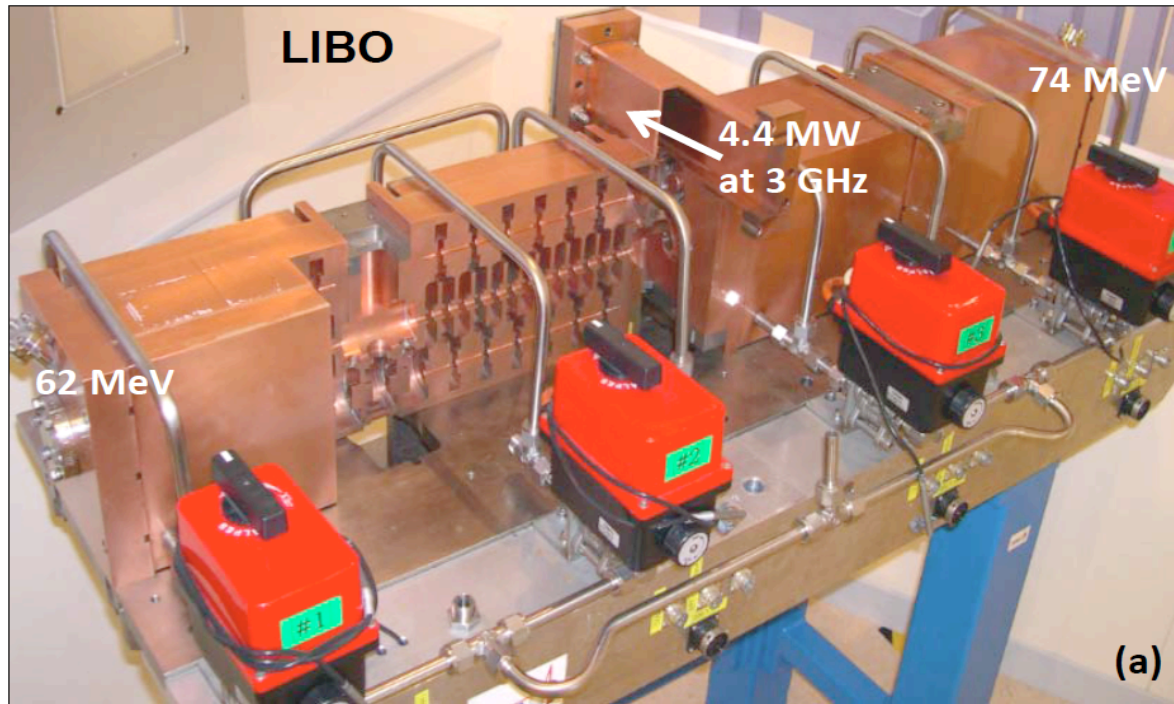


Construction completed in Wiener Neustadt:

Two weeks ago protons have been accelerated in the synchrotron

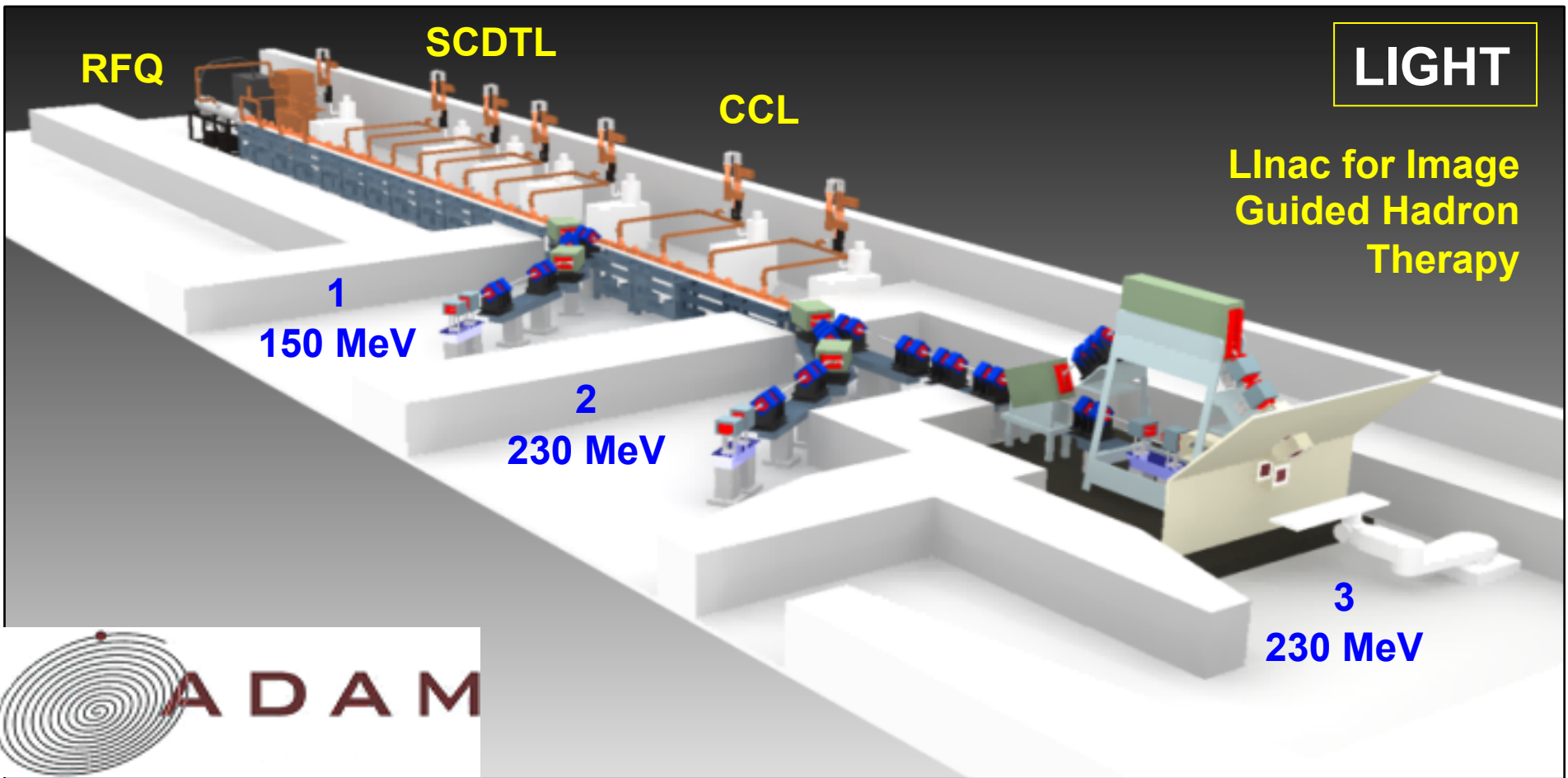


Second TERA program: linacs for protontherapy



LIBO = LInac **BO**ster for protons similar to an electron linac
has accelerated particles from 62 MeV to 74 MeV

Centre offered by A.D.A.M. – a CERN spin-off Company acquired in 2013 by Advanced Oncotherapy



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To conclude: in 2014 CERN has made a further step

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