Innovative gantry designs, continued Projects at CERN's magnet group: GaToroid and Fusillo

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Fusillo

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Radiation therapy

Choice of radiation type



Charged particles (e⁻, p⁺, C⁶⁺, He²⁺) have peaked dose distribution which can spare healthy tissues

Conformality

Charged particle beams can be directed by magnetic fields.

The area treated is mapped by multiple beams. This requires the ability to deliver beams from multiple directions ⇒ **Gantries**



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Gantries – bulky precision objects





Length = 10.5 m Diameter = 10 m Weight = 270 tons



Length = 9.5 m Diameter = 7.2 m Weight = 110 tons



Length = 10 m Diameter = 8 m Weight = 17 tons(*)



Length = 25 m Diameter = 13 m Weight = 670 tons



Length = 13 m Diameter = 10 m Weight = 350 tons



Length ≈ 9 m Diameter ≈ 9 m Weight ≈ 240 tons





What is GaToroid ?





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X-Y kicker with fast switching capability to accommodate for energy change

Fast direction and energy switching is possible because of the steady state toroidal field and large magnet acceptance **GaToroid would provide FLASH capability with multidirectional treatment and multiples energies.**



L. Bottura, **A Gantry and Apparatus for Focusing Beams of Charged Particles**, European Patent, Application EP 18173426.0, May 2018 **6/13**

GaToroid for protons



Number of angles	16
Peak magnetic field	6.8 T
Eng current density	100 A/mm2
Stored Energy	31 MJ

Coil dimension	1.7 m x 1.2 m
Torus dimension	1.7 m x 3.3 m
Bore size	0.8 m
Vector Magnet position	3.6 m

Operating temperature	4.5 K - 20 K
Operating current	1800 A

Estimated total mass 12 tons

Courtesy of E. Felcini, CNAO



GaToroid demonstrator









Demonstrator winding





GaToroid demonstrator test





GaToroid demonstrator test





Thermal network used to simulate the transverse quench propagation

Quench propagation and protection well understood, including 3D effects. We have confidence in the extrapolation to the fullsize toroidal magnet

Work performed in collaboration with University of Bologna, presented at 2024 Applied Superconductivity Conference, paper 1LPo1D-07: L. Soldati, et al., *Quench Analysis of the GaToroid Demonstrator Magnet for Hadron Therapy*



Many thanks to a great team !









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GaToroid in QUEEN



Large-Scale Research Infrastructure (LSRI), National Roadmap consortia 2024 QUEEN proposal sent on 23.9.2024 (Budget 26.7 MEUR) Coordinator: Prof. H. Von Oort, University of Twente WP5 Leader: Prof. A. Gerbershagen, University of Groningen

- WP1 Expansion ofSuperconductor Applications:20T modular HTS Solenoid
- WP2 Healthy Imaging: A compact open 3T system
- WP3 Precision Imaging: A 7T HTS insert inside an existing 7T system
 - WP4 Precision Theranostics: A field-cycling MRI scanner
- WP5 Novel Treatment: A Superconducting gantry at PARTREC

GaToroid QUEEN has approached CERN to take part

A unique research infrastructure

Reduced setup for animal irradiation ($E_{kin} \le 150 \text{ MeV}$) Two beam directions with switching time of ~1ms Ultra-fast (tens of ms) scanning and energy modulation Superconducting final bend, B=3T Cost of construction, installation and commissioning: ~4.2 MEUR Integrated with CT, PET and proton radiography



Key technology: HTS super-ferric magnet

GaToroid

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In conclusion

The demonstrator test has shown that the magnet concept of GaToroid in its original materialization (compact protons) is feasible and matches well the design expectations. **This is no longer a technology issue**

The main obstacle to a first prototype for therapy is **acceptance by the medical community**.

- GaToroid is a paradigm change in treatment planning, not easy to accept...
- ... but it has an unfair competitive advantage offering FLASH capabilities that standard gantries do not have

QUEEN offers the possibility to realize a <u>reduced-scope but full-size</u> <u>prototype</u>, and test it in research conditions relevant to particle therapy, thus **bridging the gap towards the first medical realization**





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Fusillo: a CCCT technology demonstrator

Design, manufacture and test of:

3 T central field CCT dipole, bent over 90° with 1.0 m radius, 236 mm aperture



- The project includes a final demonstrator and 2-3 subscales.
- It capitalizes on the CCT technology developed at CERN since 2016 and used to produce HL-LHC orbit corrector magnets MCBRD.
- Possible applications are bending magnets in compact particle accelerator (ISRS at CERN) or for compact radiotherapy gantry systems.



Fusillo design



- A conductor design with 70 insulated wires allows powering at low current (290 A). Simple power converters can be used, compatible with clinical installations
- Multipole corrections in winding provides a very tuneable and homogenous field over the whole large aperture and over the full length
- Simple mechanical design (very few parts) and compatible with dry-cooling systems.



Subscale fabrication















Subscale tests results

- Subscales were powered at higher current to fit the demonstrator working conditions.
- Both subscales reached nominal operation (580 A) and limit conditions (750 A) after training
- Good performances even at high ramp rates.
- The magnetic field was measured within 1% compared to simulation.











Demonstrator fabrication







Magnetometer



- All parts for the demonstrators are ready including the full-length magnetometer
- Powering test are planned for early 2025.
- If successful, a beam test can be proposed as a spectrometer.





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