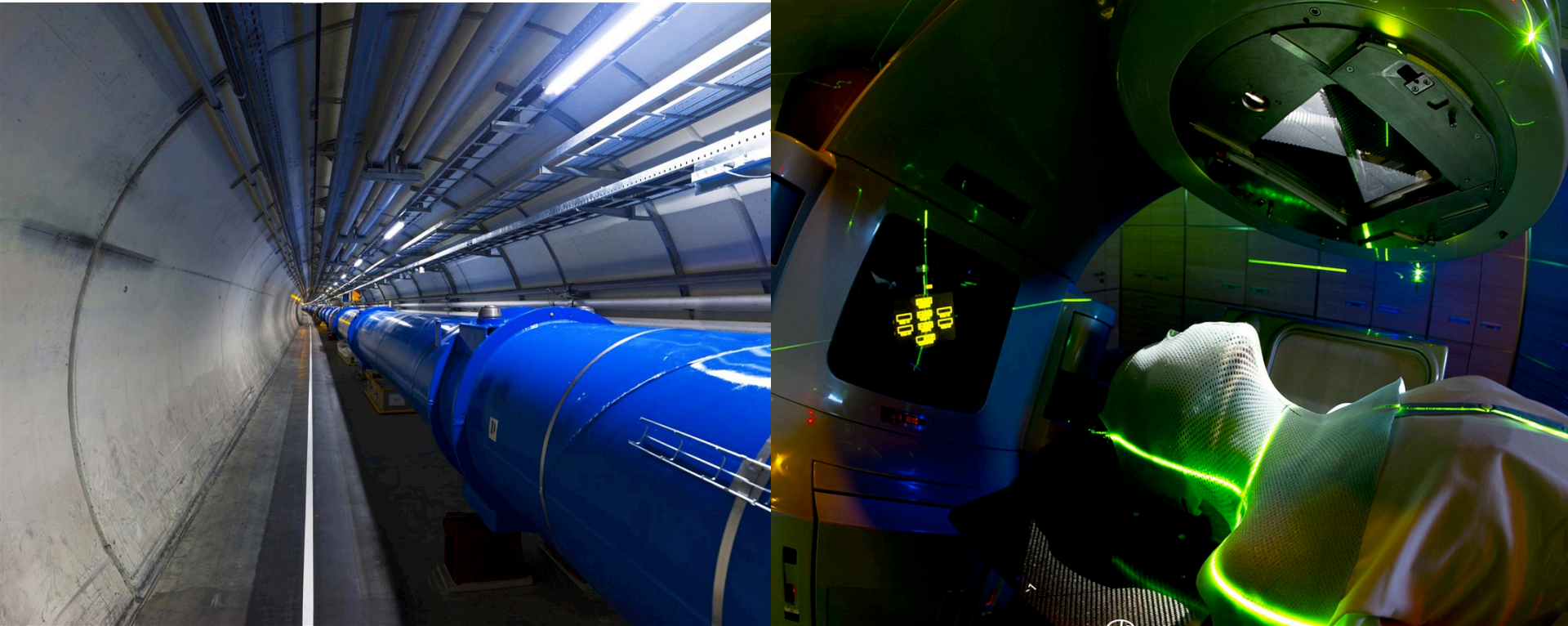


# CERN and Medical Applications



Manjit Dosanjh, CERN, 28 August 2017

Δημόσια Ομιλία στα πλαίσια του Διεθνούς Συνεδρίου  
Public talk at Great Arsenali on the occasion of International Workshop  
Ions for Cancer Therapy, Space Research and Material Science





# CERN: founded in 1954: 12 European States “Science for Peace” Today: 22 Member States – Europe and beyond

~ 2500 staff  
~ 1800 other paid personnel  
~ **13000 scientific users**  
Budget (2017) ~1100 MCHF

**Member States:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom

**Associate Member States:** India, Pakistan, Turkey, Ukraine

**Associate Members in the Pre-Stage to Membership:** Cyprus, Serbia

**Applications for Membership or Associate Membership:**  
Brazil, Croatia, Lithuania, Russia, Slovenia

**Observers to Council:** Japan, Russia, United States of America;  
European Union, JINR and UNESCO



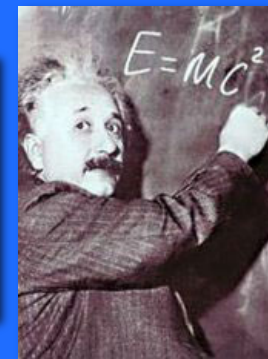




# The Mission of CERN

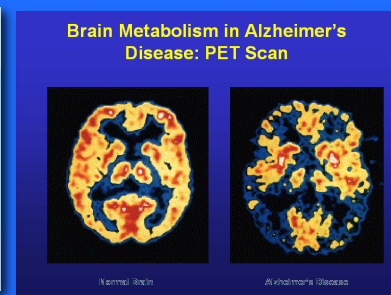
## ❑ Push back the frontiers of knowledge

E.g. the secrets of the Big Bang ...what was the matter like within the first moments of the Universe's existence?

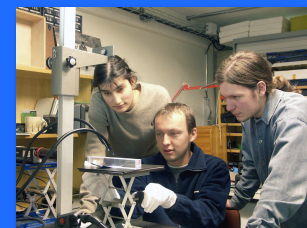


## ❑ Develop new technologies for accelerators and detectors

Information technology - the Web and the GRID  
Medicine - diagnosis and therapy



## ❑ Train scientists and engineers of tomorrow



## ❑ Unite people from different countries and cultures





# Particle Physics and innovation

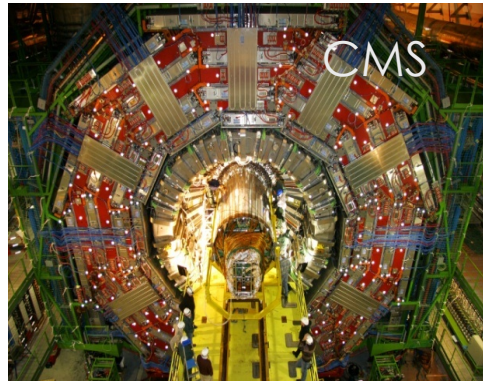
Interfacing between fundamental science and key technological developments



## Technologies and Innovation



Accelerating particles  
beams



Detecting particles

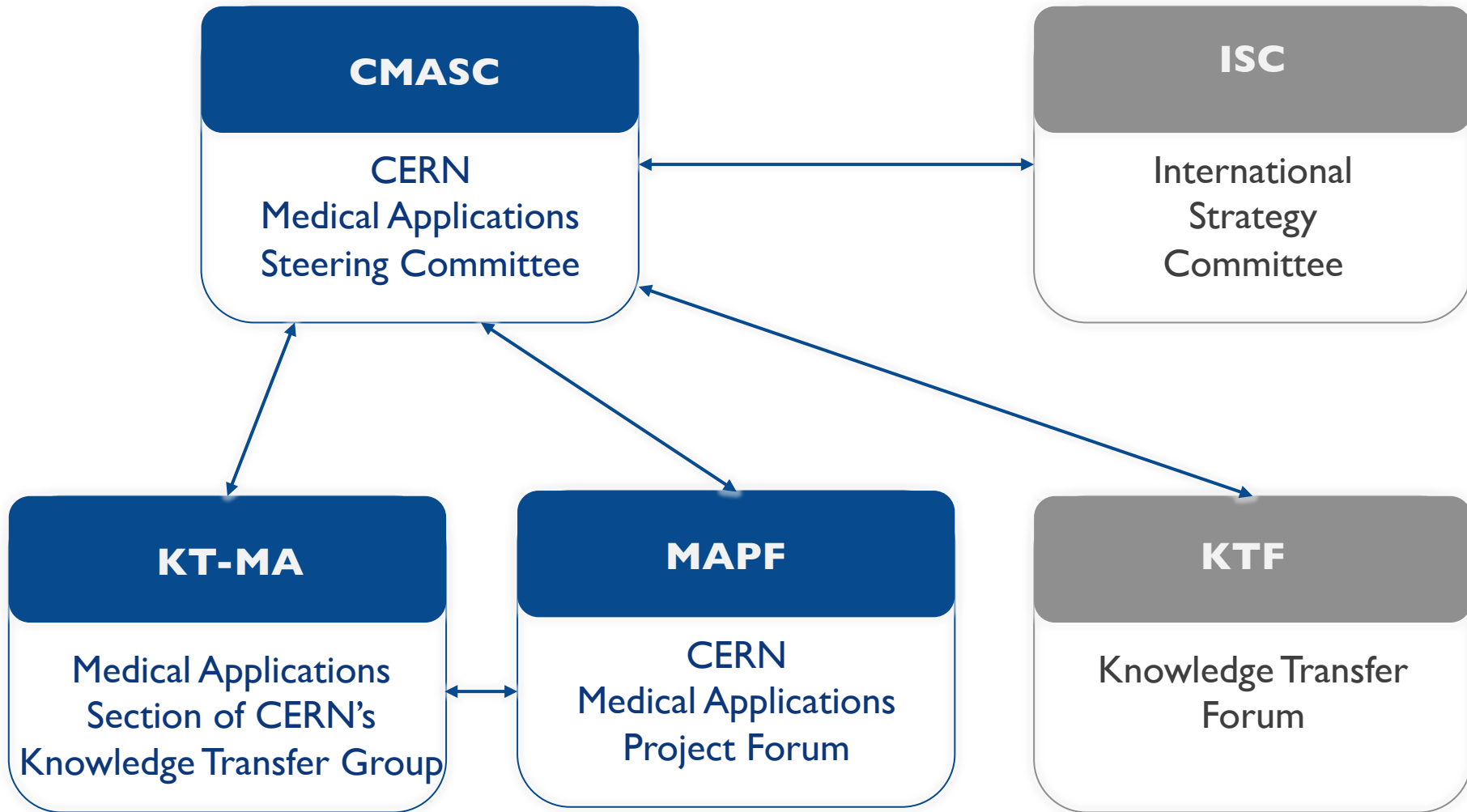


Large-scale  
computing (Grid)



Blue: CERN internal bodies  
Grey: external bodies

# CERM Medical Applications-1

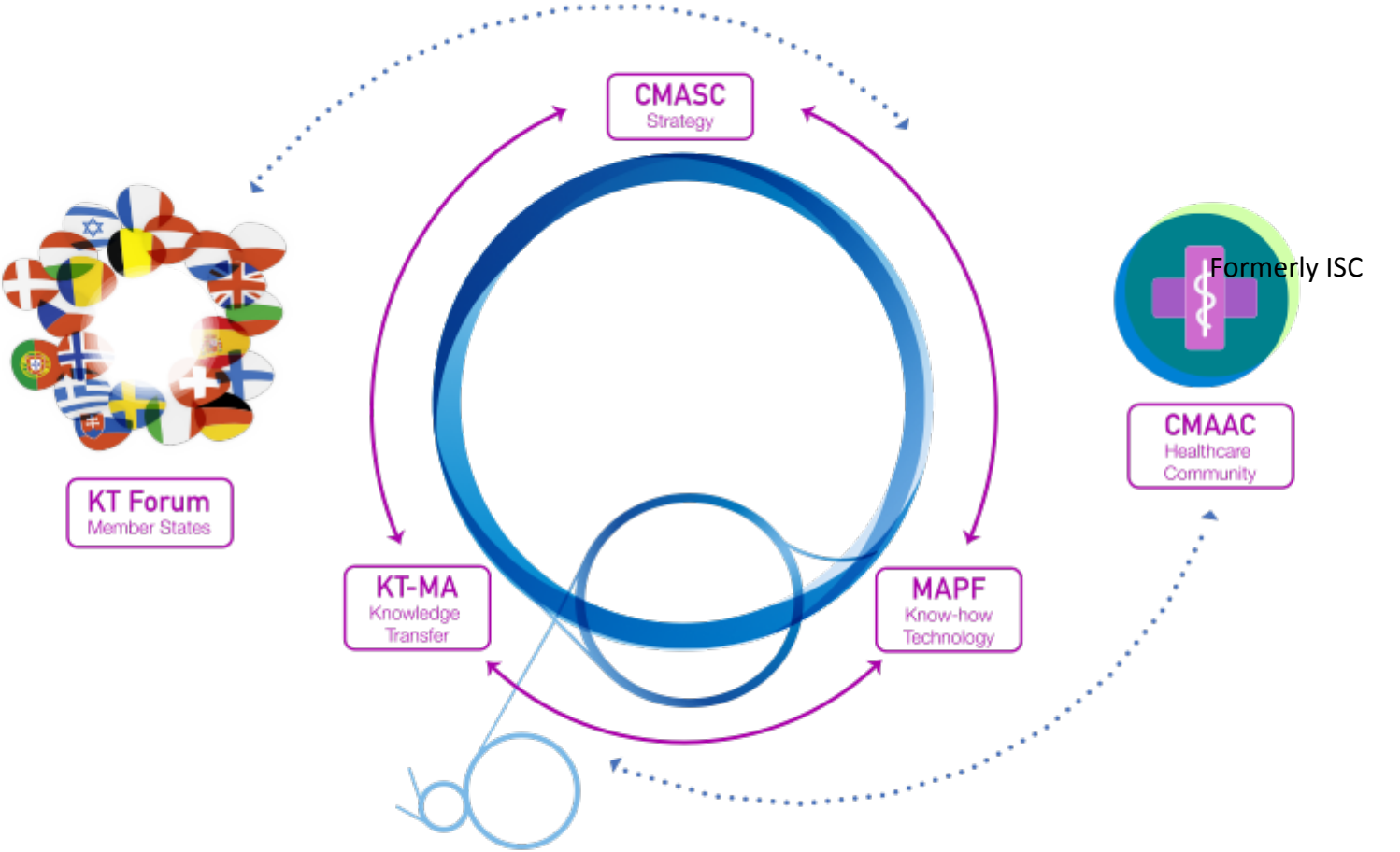


1n 2016, CMA was re-structured with well defined approval procedures and guidelines



# CERN Medical Applications - 2

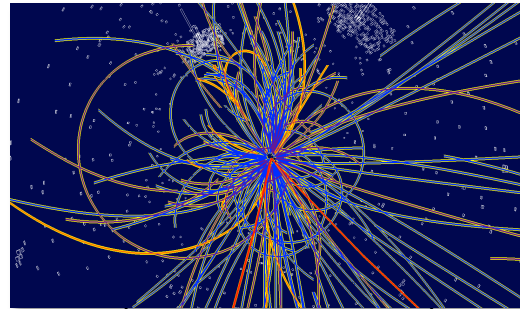
The current structure and the Strategy document for medical application was formally approved in June 2017 Council



KT-MA = CERN Knowledge Transfer Group, Medical Applications Section  
MAPF = Medical Applications Project Forum  
CMASC = CERN Medical Applications Steering Committee  
CMAAC = CERN Medical Applications Advisory Committee

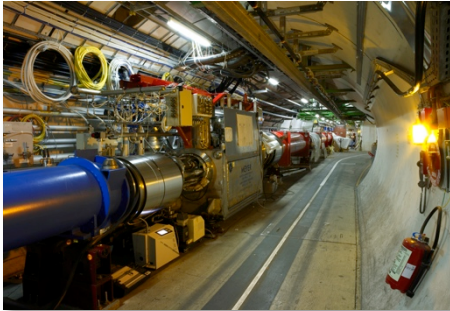


# CERN and Physics Technologies and innovation



Detecting particles

Accelerating particle beams



Higgs

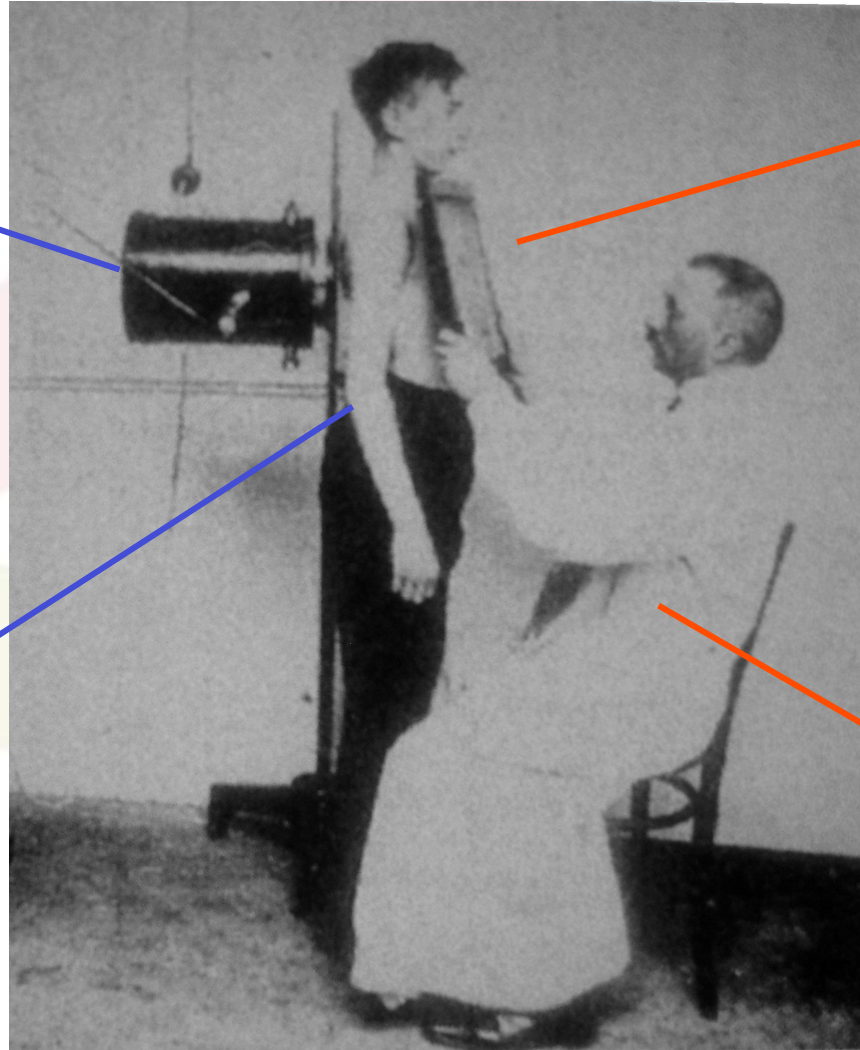
Large-scale computing (Grid)



# X-ray systems

X-ray source

Object

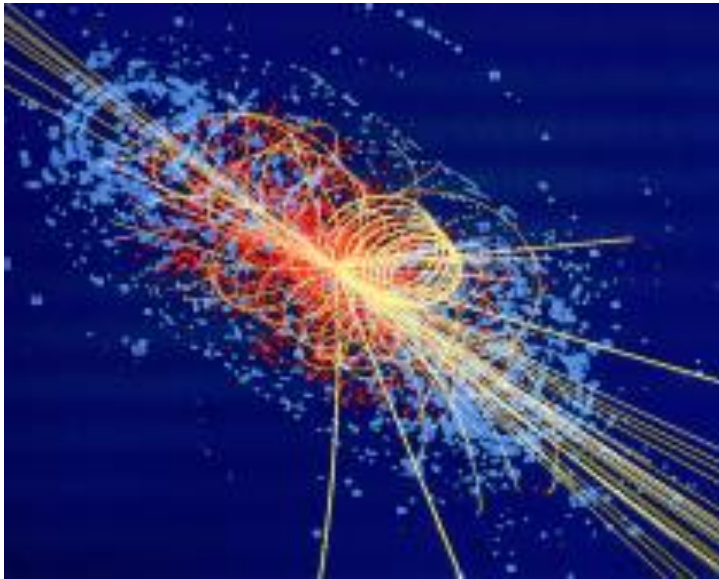


Detector

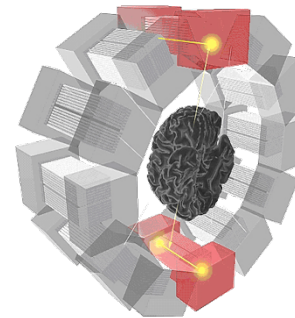
Pattern Recognition System

# No treatment without detection!

## Particle Detection



## Imaging

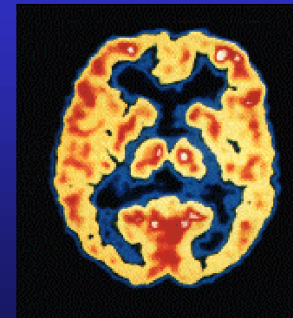


PET Scanner

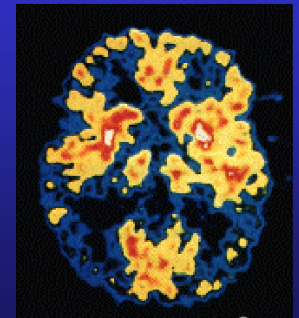
Breast imaging  
(ClearPEM)



Brain Metabolism in Alzheimer's  
Disease: PET Scan



Normal Brain



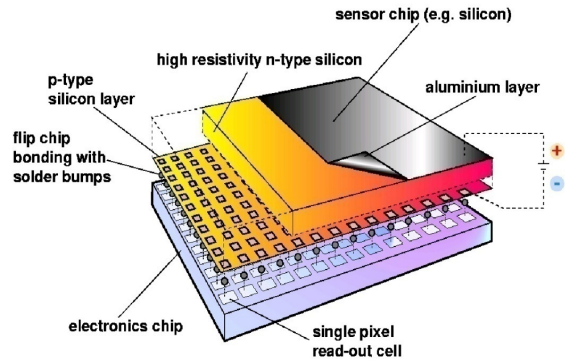
Alzheimer's Disease



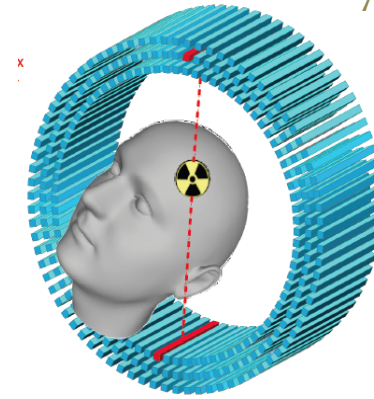
# CERN is contributing to imaging for decades

CERN-coordinated international collaborative projects

MEDIPIX

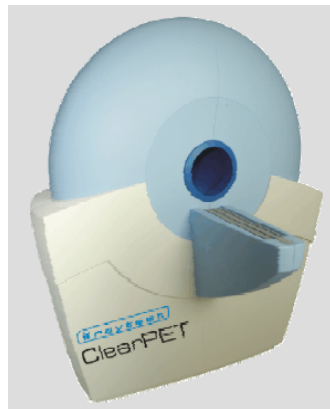


AXPET



## Crystal Clear projects

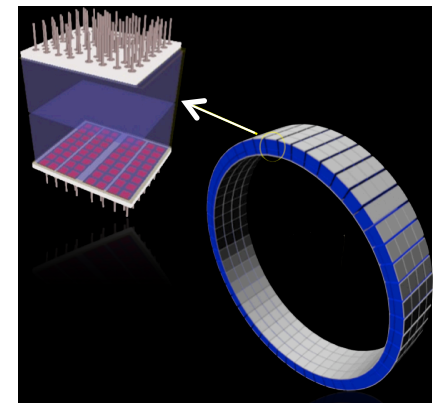
Courtesy of Paul Lecoq



ClearPET



ClearPEM & ClearPEM-Sonic



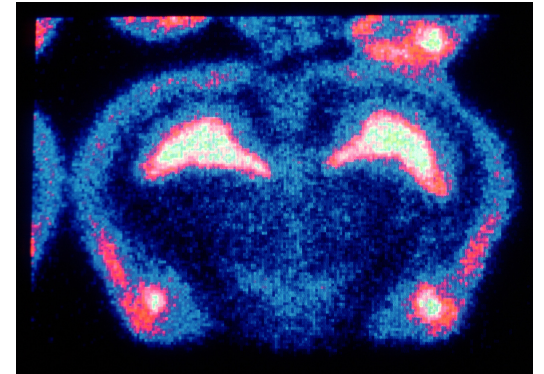
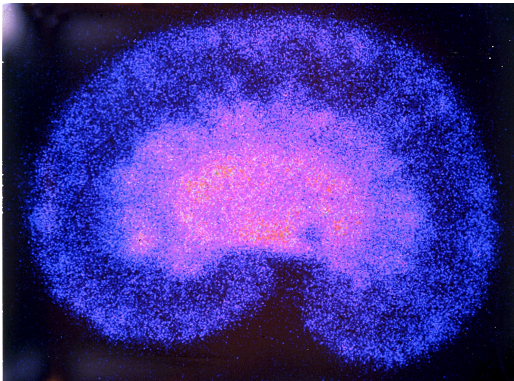
BrainPET

# Low dose X-Ray Imaging

1968

## Physics Nobel Prize 1992

Georges Charpak

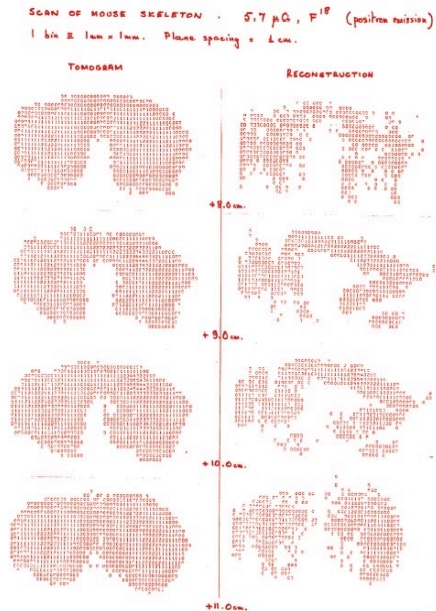


*Low dose X-ray image of rat brain and kidney the use of MWPC*

# PET Imaging activities at CERN

Alan Jeavons and David Townsend  
built and used in Geneva Hospital

a PET system based on  
high-density avalanche gas  
chambers  
HIDACs







# Crystal Clear Collaboration and PET Imaging



Photos: Crystal Clear Collaboration

# ClearPEM



Photos: Crystal Clear Collaboration

Dedicated PET for mammography: Crystal Clear Collaboration



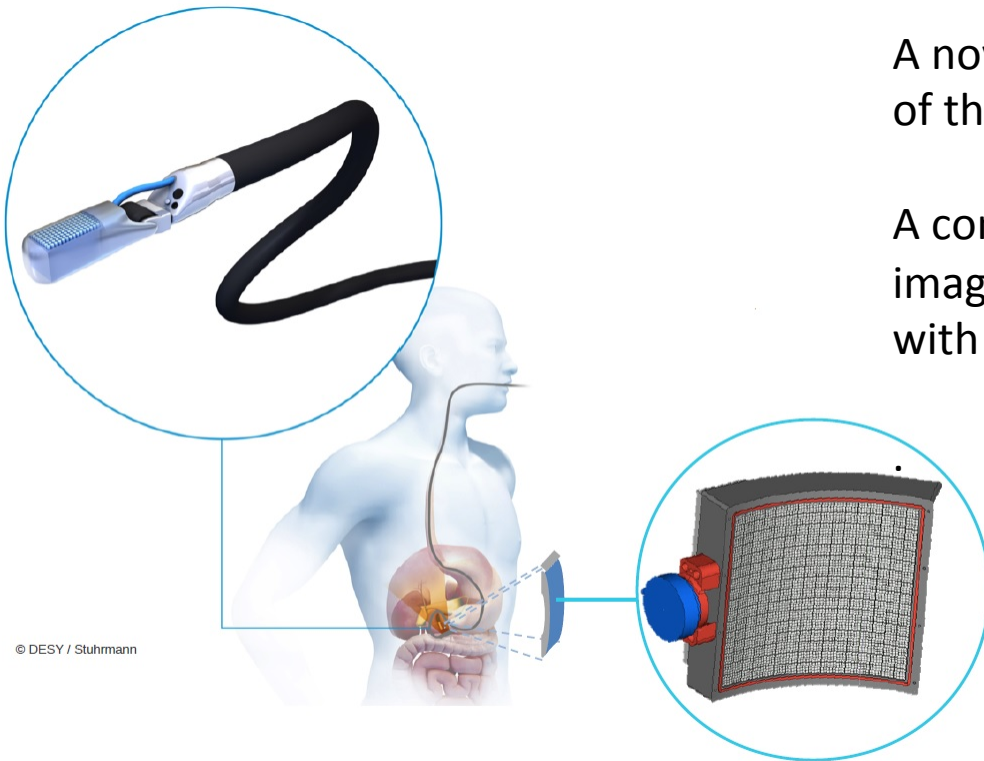
# Endo TOFPET-US

a novel multimodal tool for endoscopy and positron emission tomography

A novel imaging system for endoscopic exams of the pancreas or the prostate.

A combination of high resolution metabolic imaging with TOFPET and anatomical imaging with ultrasound.

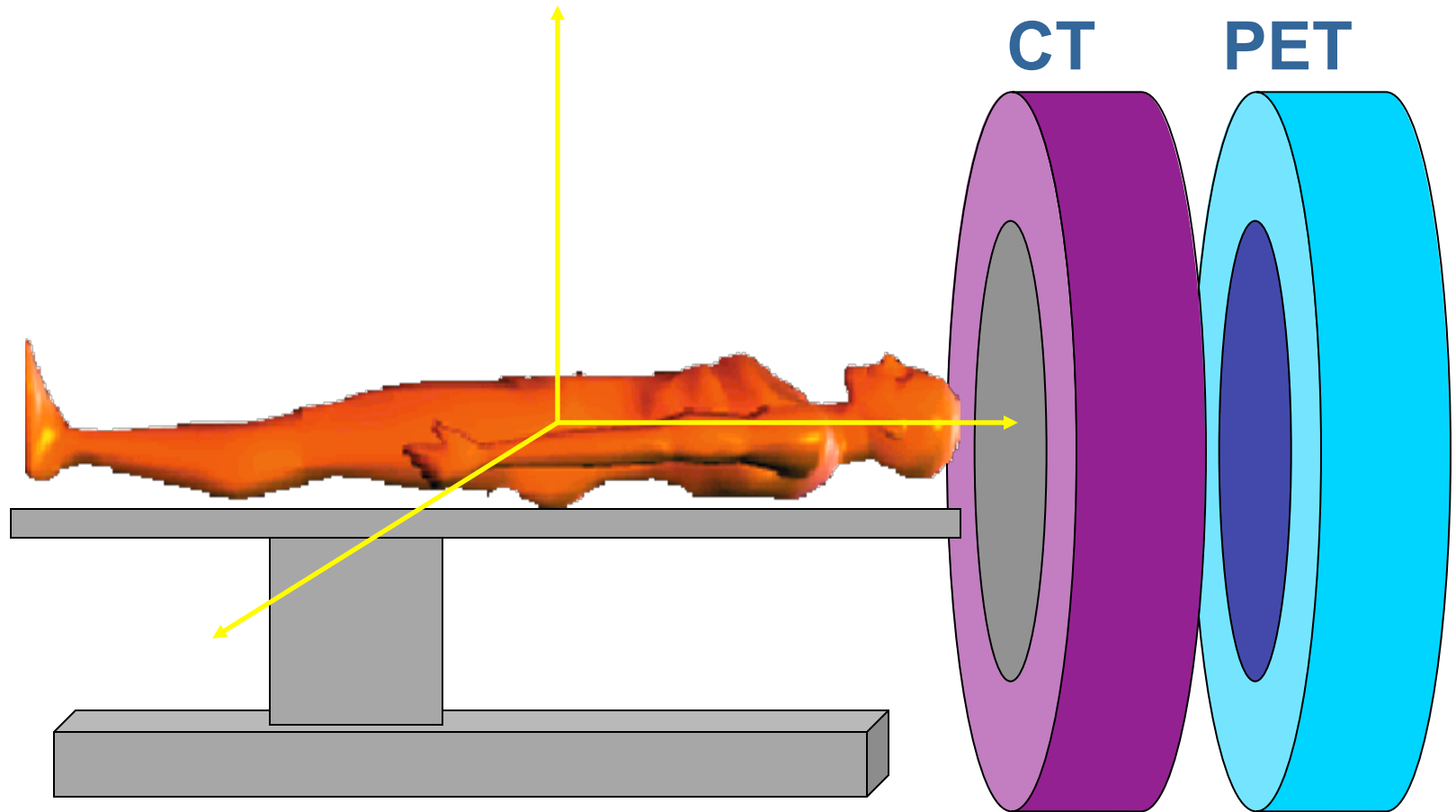
Endo = Endoscopic  
TOF = Time of Flight PET  
US = Ultrasound





# Multimodality Imaging and concept of PET-CT

*David Townsend*



# Multimodality imaging: CT with PET

Combining anatomic and functional imaging

morphology

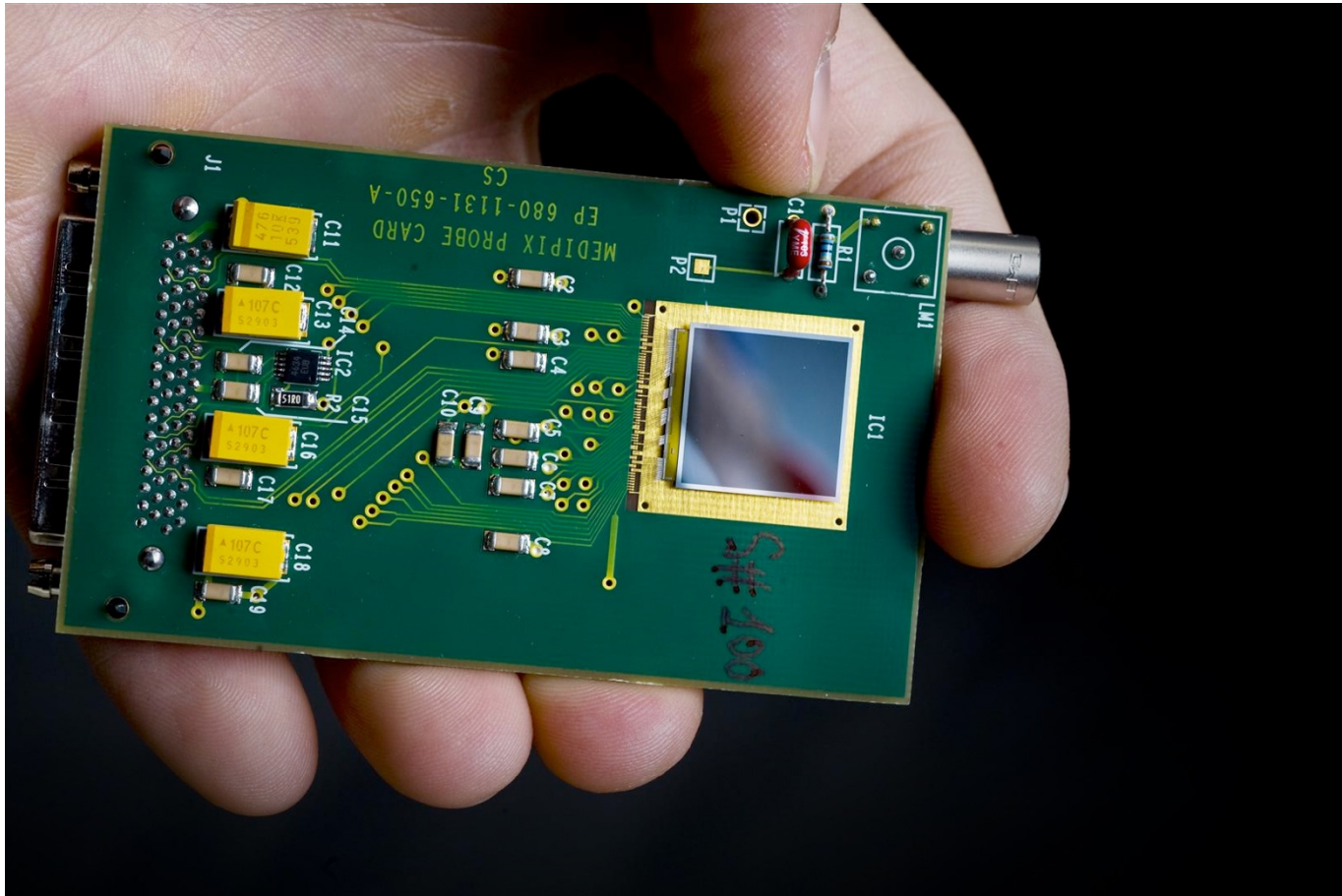
metabolism



David Townsend, Former CERN Physicist

# CERN and X-Ray Imaging

Design of high-performance hybrid pixel detectors (Medipix family)

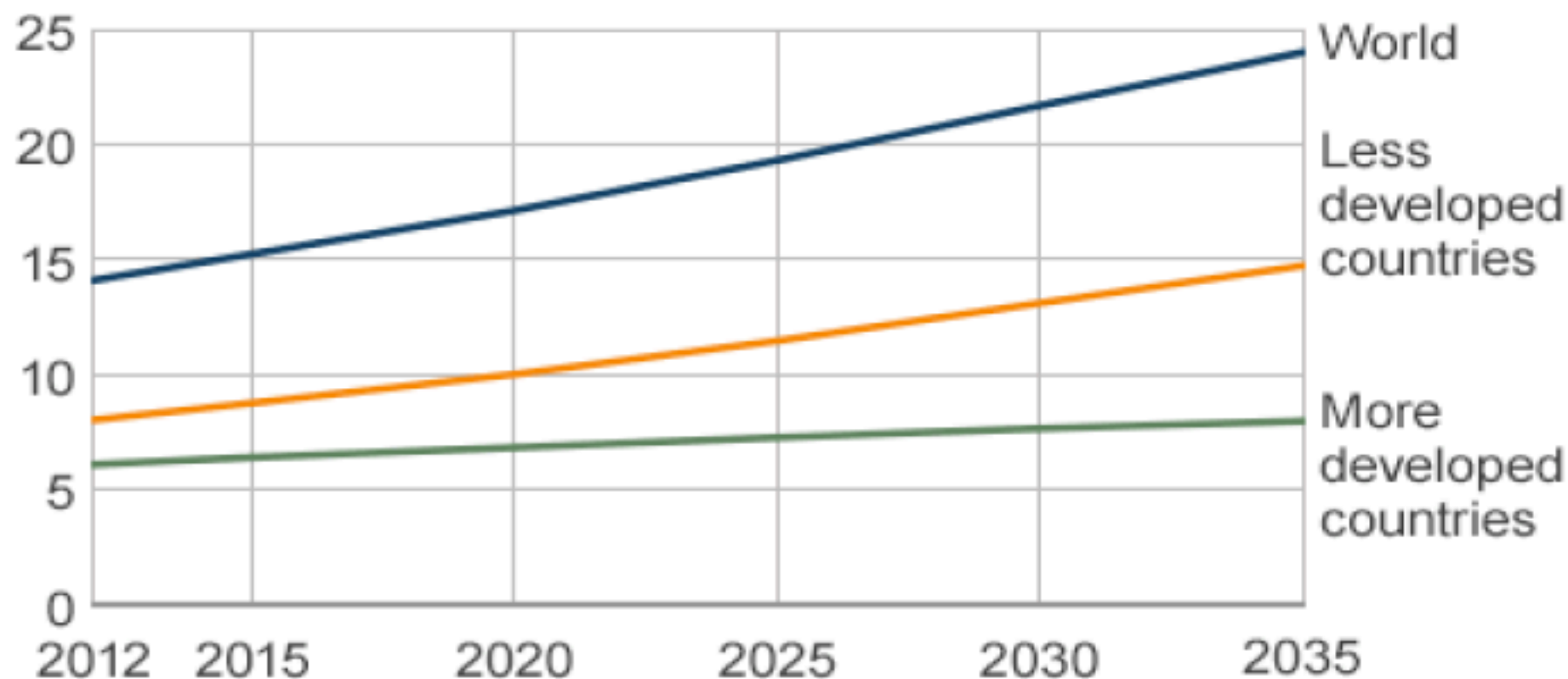


Talk by Michael Campbell



## Predicted Global Cancer Cases

Cases (millions)



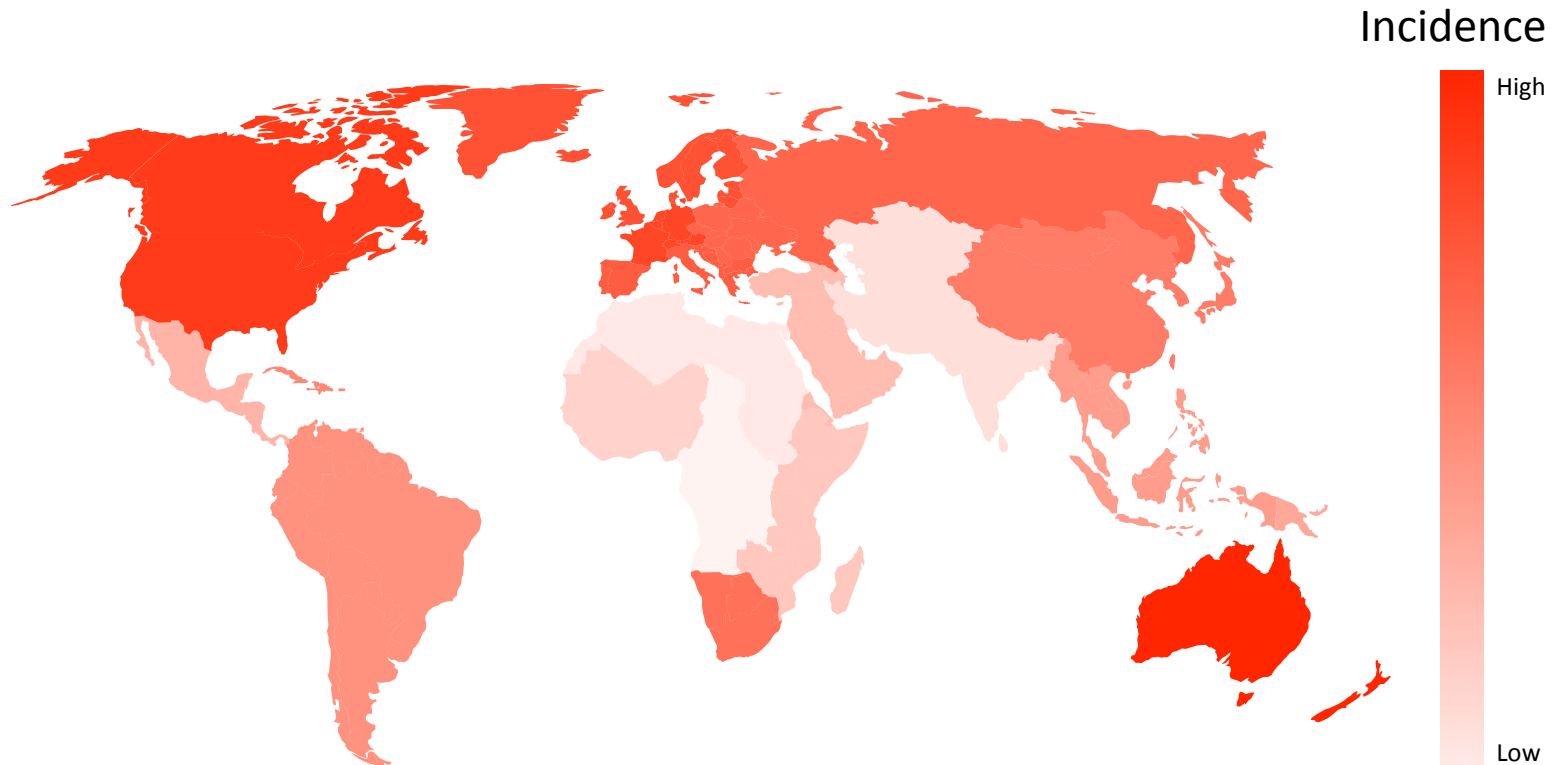
# Why is cancer important?

**Cancer, increasing huge global mortality, which has an Astronomical Cost**

**A leading cause of death worldwide**

**25m new cancer cases by 2030**

**\$286bn, the global economic cost of new cancer cases in 2009**

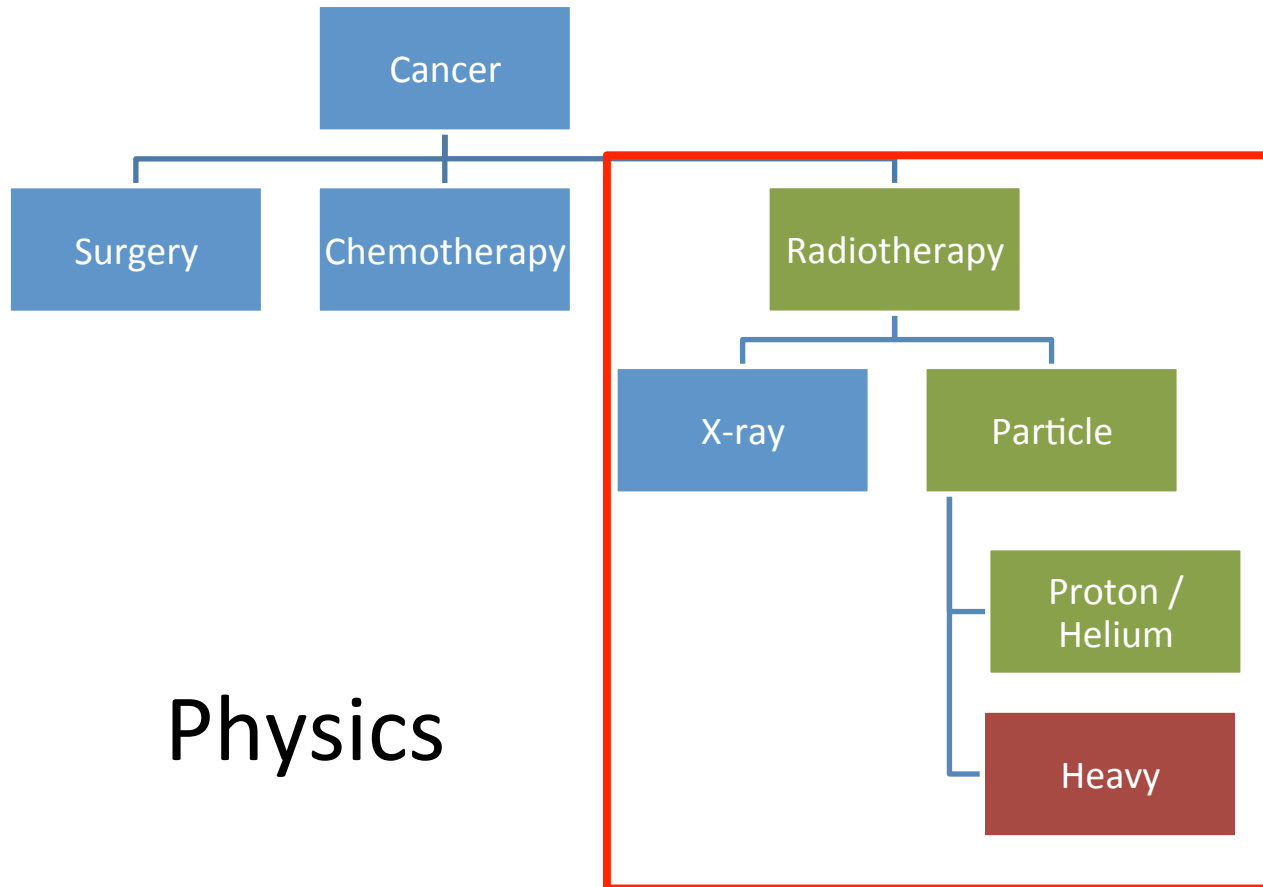


**Cure from cancer achieved for only 45% of patients**

**8m people likely to die as a result of cancer p.a.**

1. *Alone or in combination with other modalities*
2. *By 1934 Coutard had developed a protracted, fractionated process that remains the basis for current radiation therapy*
3. *GLOBOCAN 2008, Cancer incidence and Mortality Worldwide. IARC, 2010 (<http://globocan.iarc.fr>) <http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/>*

# Cancer treatment



Physics



# The Challenge of Treatment

Ideally one needs to treat:

- The tumour
- The whole tumour
- And nothing BUT the tumour”

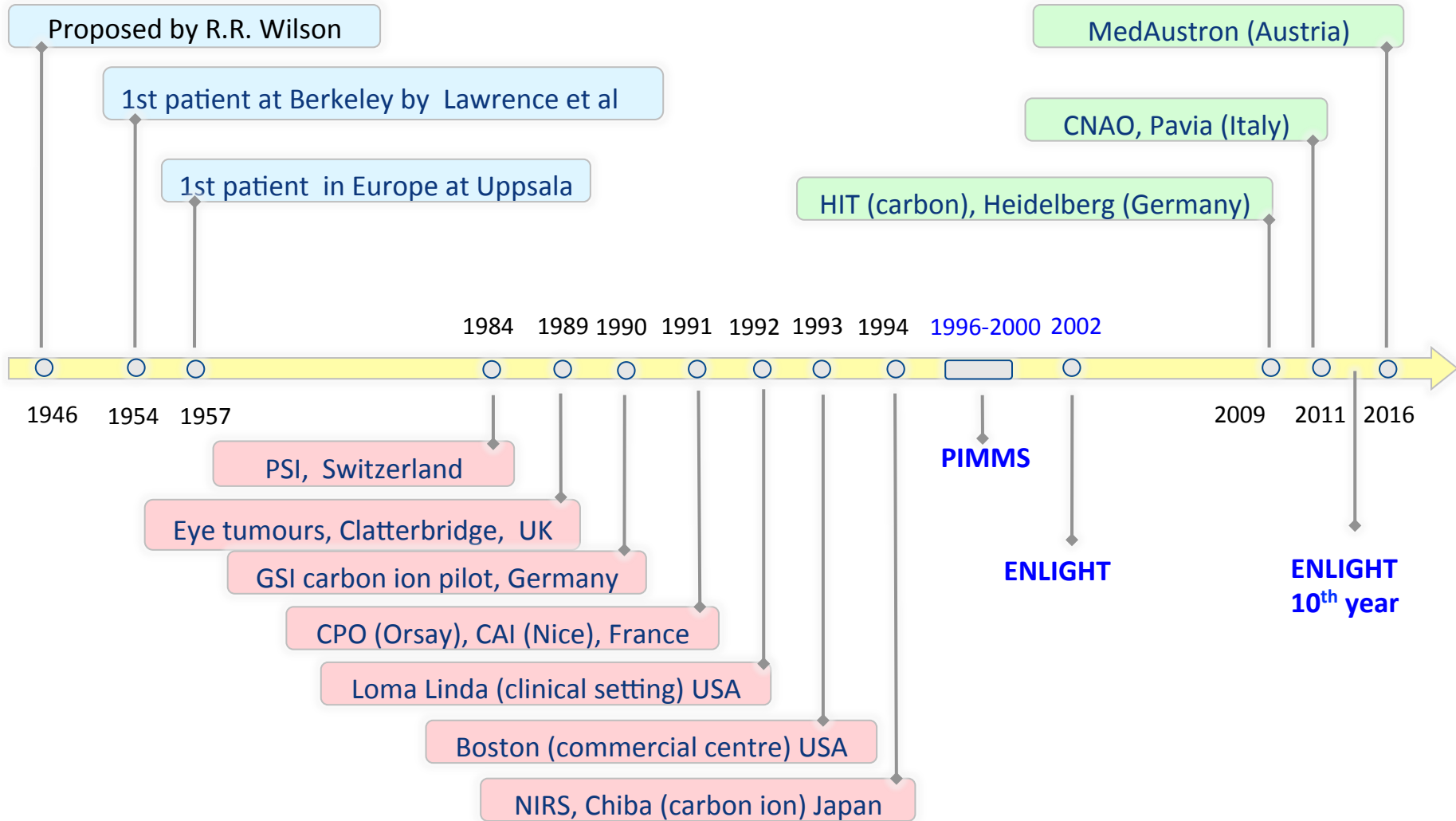
Radiotherapy has **two equally important goals** to **destroy** the tumour and **protect** the surrounding normal tissue. Therefore **“seeing”** in order to know where and precise **“delivery”** to make sure it goes where it should are **key**.

# Improving Cancer Outcome

*Earlier diagnosis, better tumour control, fewer side-effects*

- **Imaging**: accuracy, multimodality, real-time, organ motion
- **Accelerator technologies**: higher dose, more localised, real time targeting
- **Data**: analysis, image fusion/reconstruction, treatment planning, sharing, screening, follow-up patient ....
- **Biology**: basic research, fractionation, radio-resistance, radio-sensitization

# Particle therapy: a short history

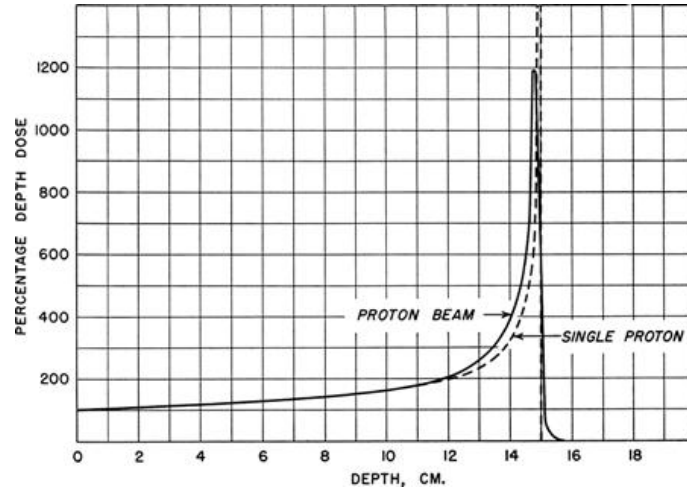




1932 - E. Lawrence  
First cyclotron



1946 – proton therapy  
proposed by R. Wilson

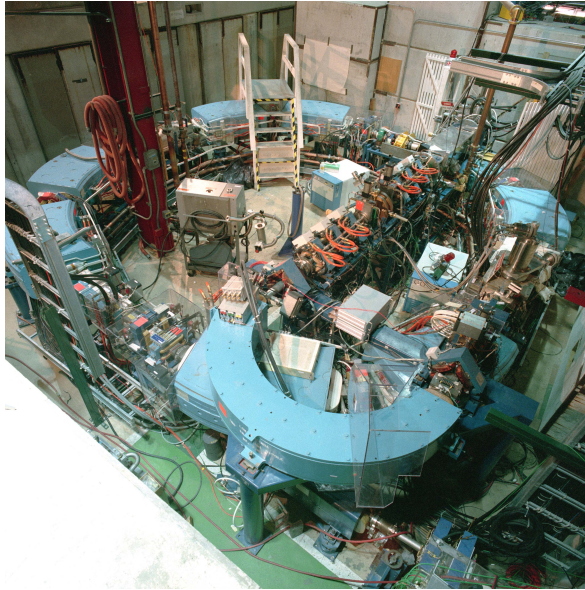


1954 – Berkeley treats  
the first patient



From physics.....

**1993- Loma Linda  
USA (proton)**



First dedicated clinical  
facility

**1994 – HIMAC  
Japan (carbon)**

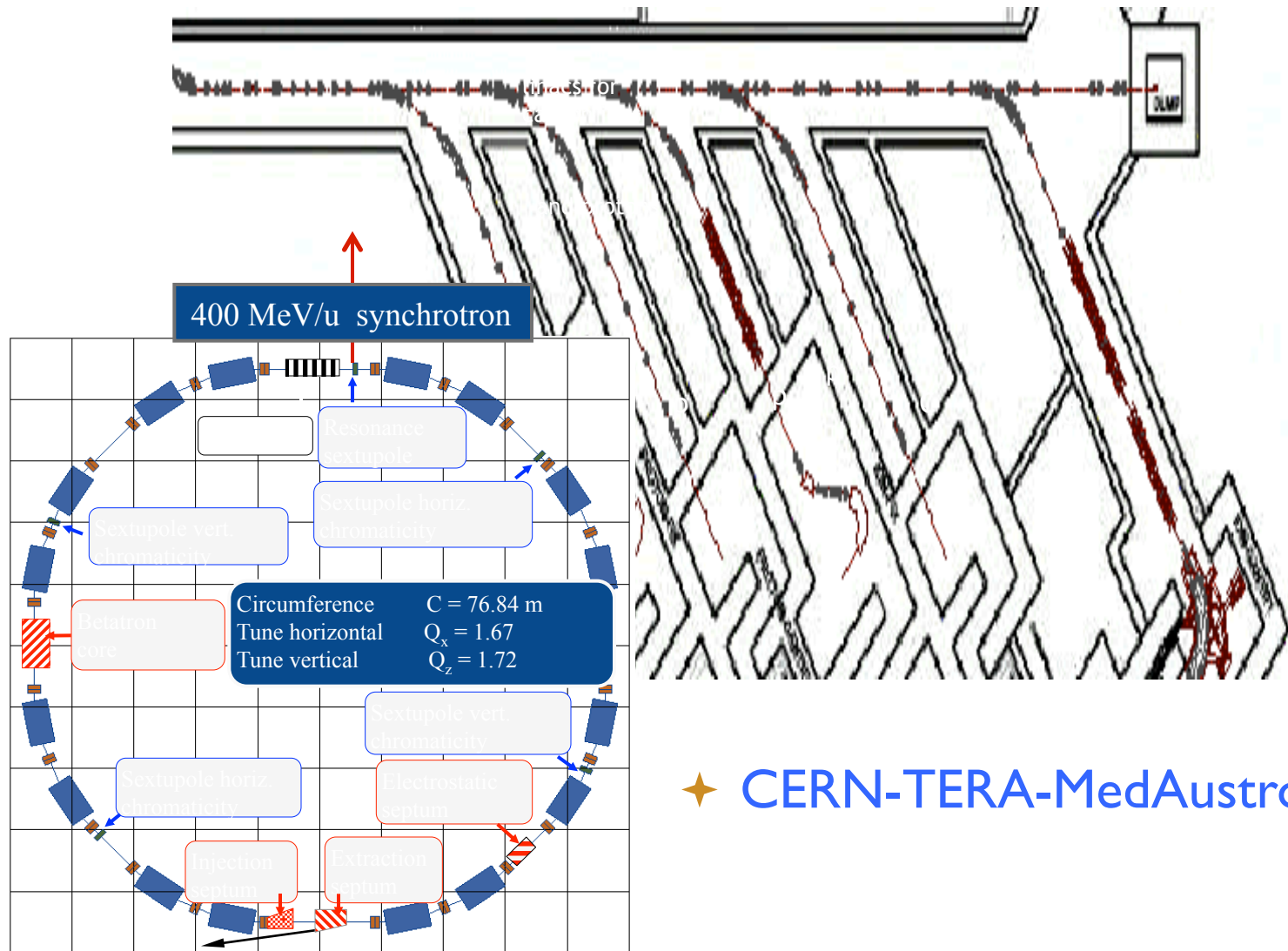


**1997 – GSI  
Germany (carbon)**



.....to clinics

# PIMMS at CERN (1996-2000)



✦ CERN-TERA-MedAustron



# ENLIGHT is 15 years young!

- ENLIGHT was launched in February 2002 at CERN in this very room
- Idea germinated in 2001 in MedAustron meeting where PIMMS was presented

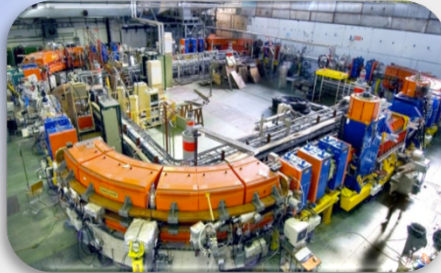


**DG: Luciano Maiani**

Organisers: Manjit Dosanjh & Hans Hoffmann

# 4<sup>th</sup> Pillar Catalysing & facilitating collaboration

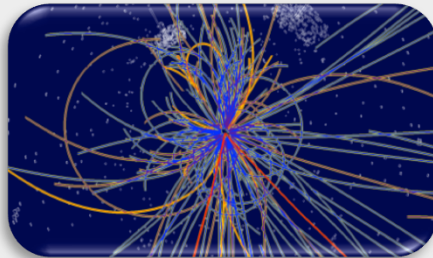
**Accelerating** particle beams



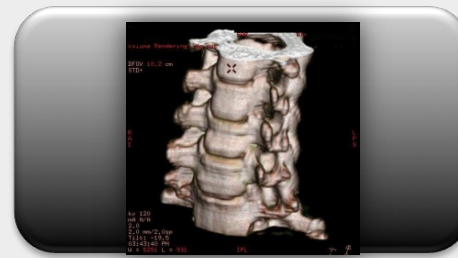
**Radiation Therapy**



**Detecting** particles



**Medical imaging**



**Large scale computing (Grid)**

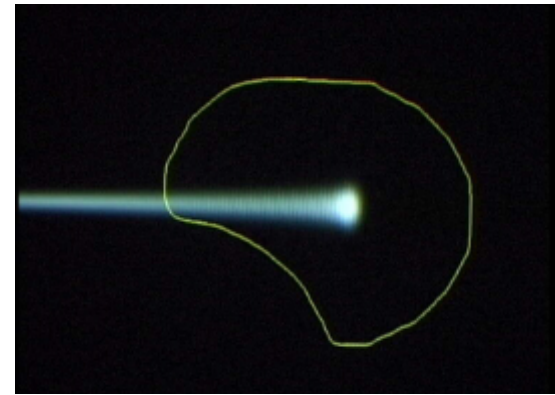


**Grid computing for medical data management and analysis**



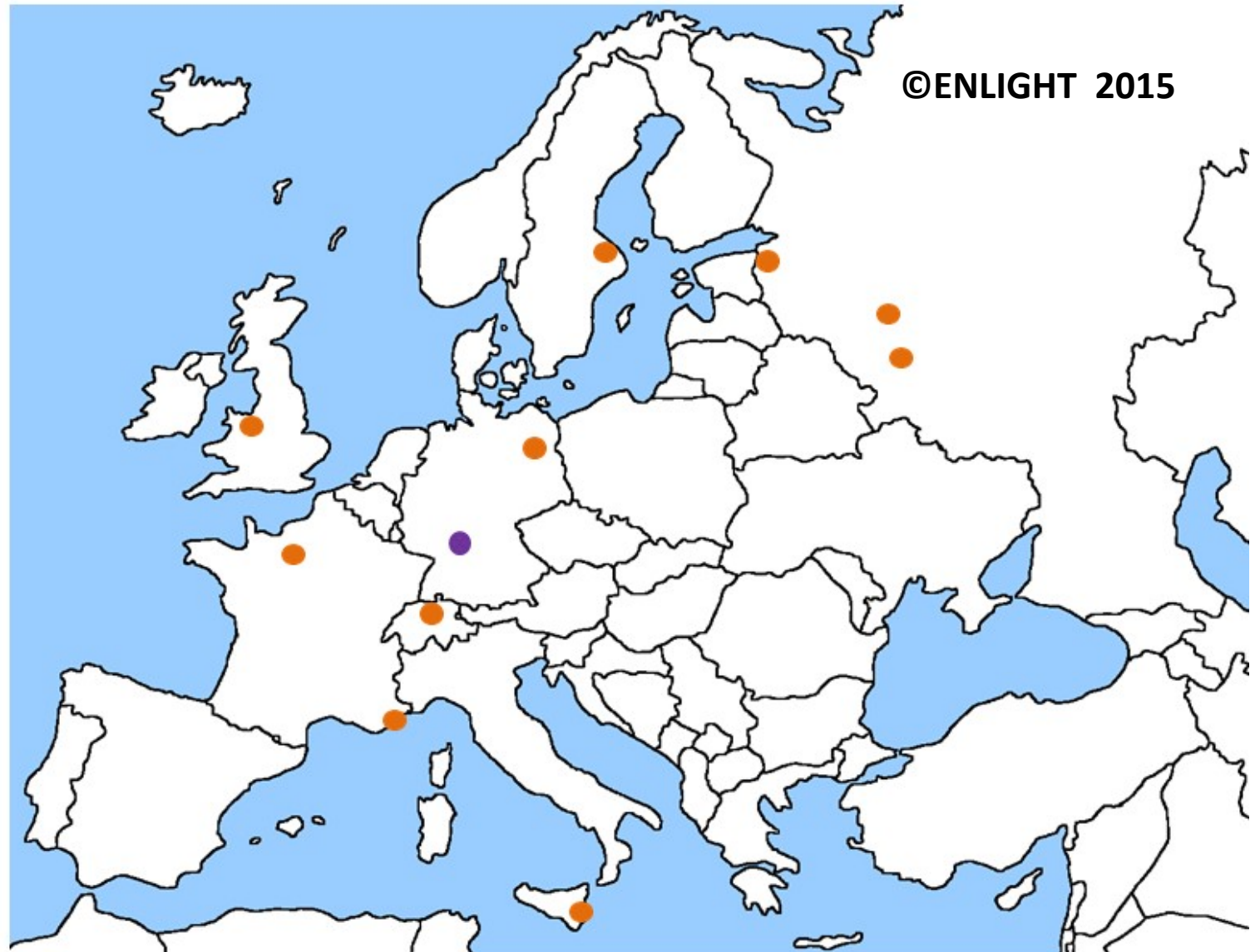
# ENLIGHT: Importing Physics collaboration philosophy into a medical environment

- Create common multidisciplinary platform
- Cancer treatment
- Identify challenges
- Share knowledge
- Share best practices
- Harmonise data
- Provide training, education
- Innovate to improve
- Lobbying for funding





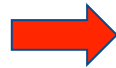
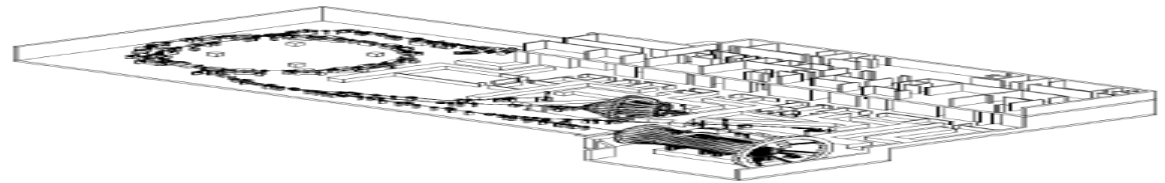
# Particle therapy centres in Europe - 2002



- P centres
- C-ion centres

# Accelerator Technologies

PIMMS 2000  
(coordinated by  
CERN) has led to:



fondazione CNAO

Treatment centre in Pavia, Italy.

**First patient treated with in 2011**

ebg MedAustron

Treatment centre in Wiener Neustadt, Austria,  
foundation stone in 2011, installation moved to  
MedAustron at beginning of 2012, first patient treated  
in 2016

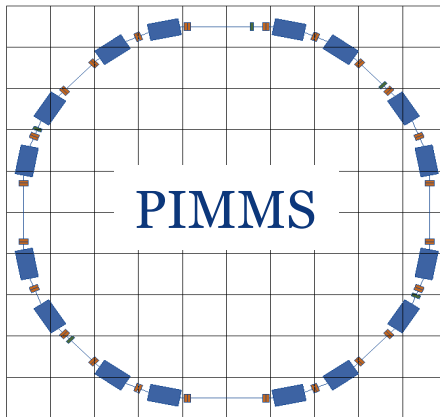
# PIMMS study at CERN (1996-2000)



Treatment, CNAO, Italy 2012

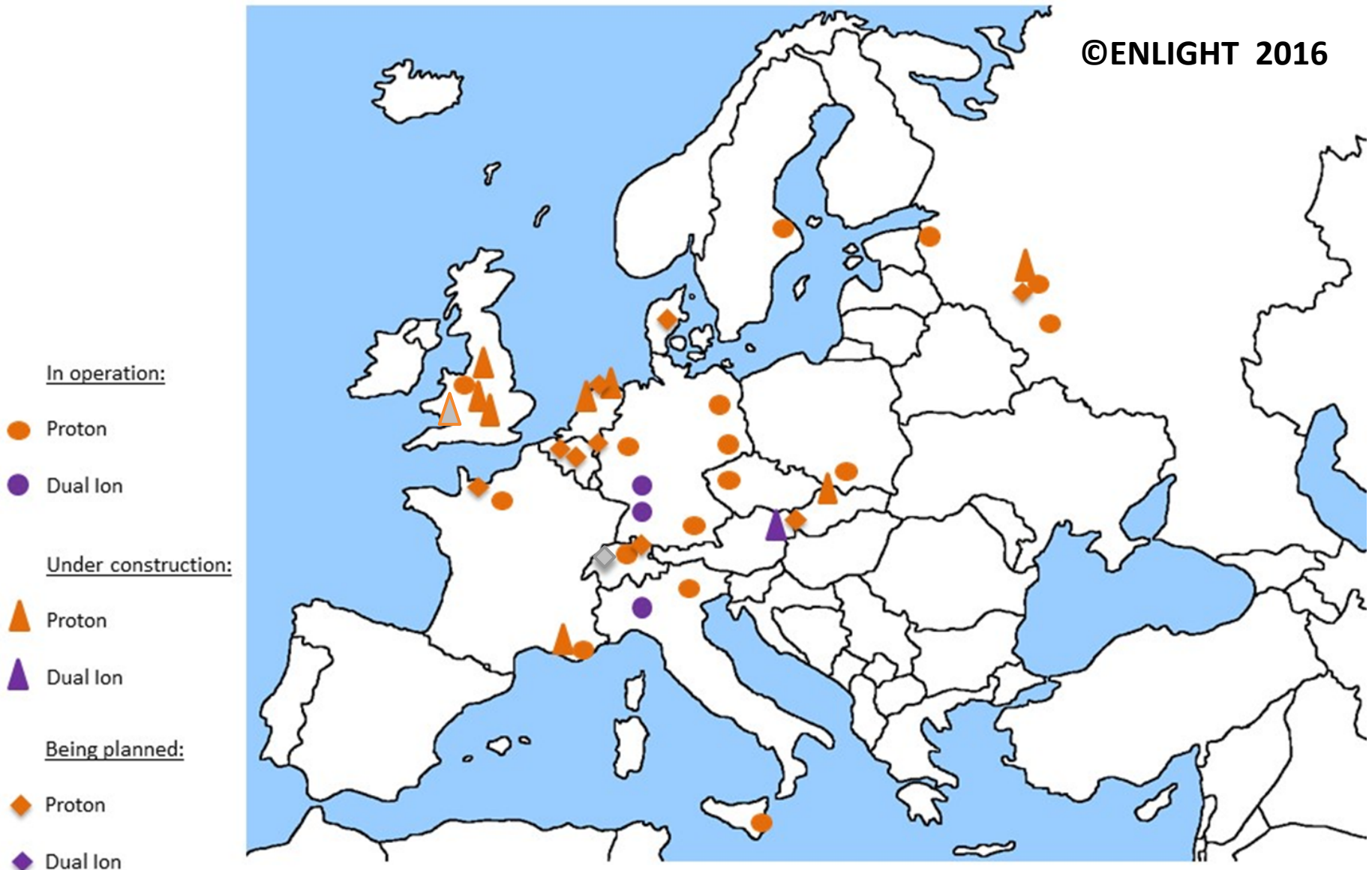
MedAustron, Austria 2016

1996-2000  
PIMMS  
study



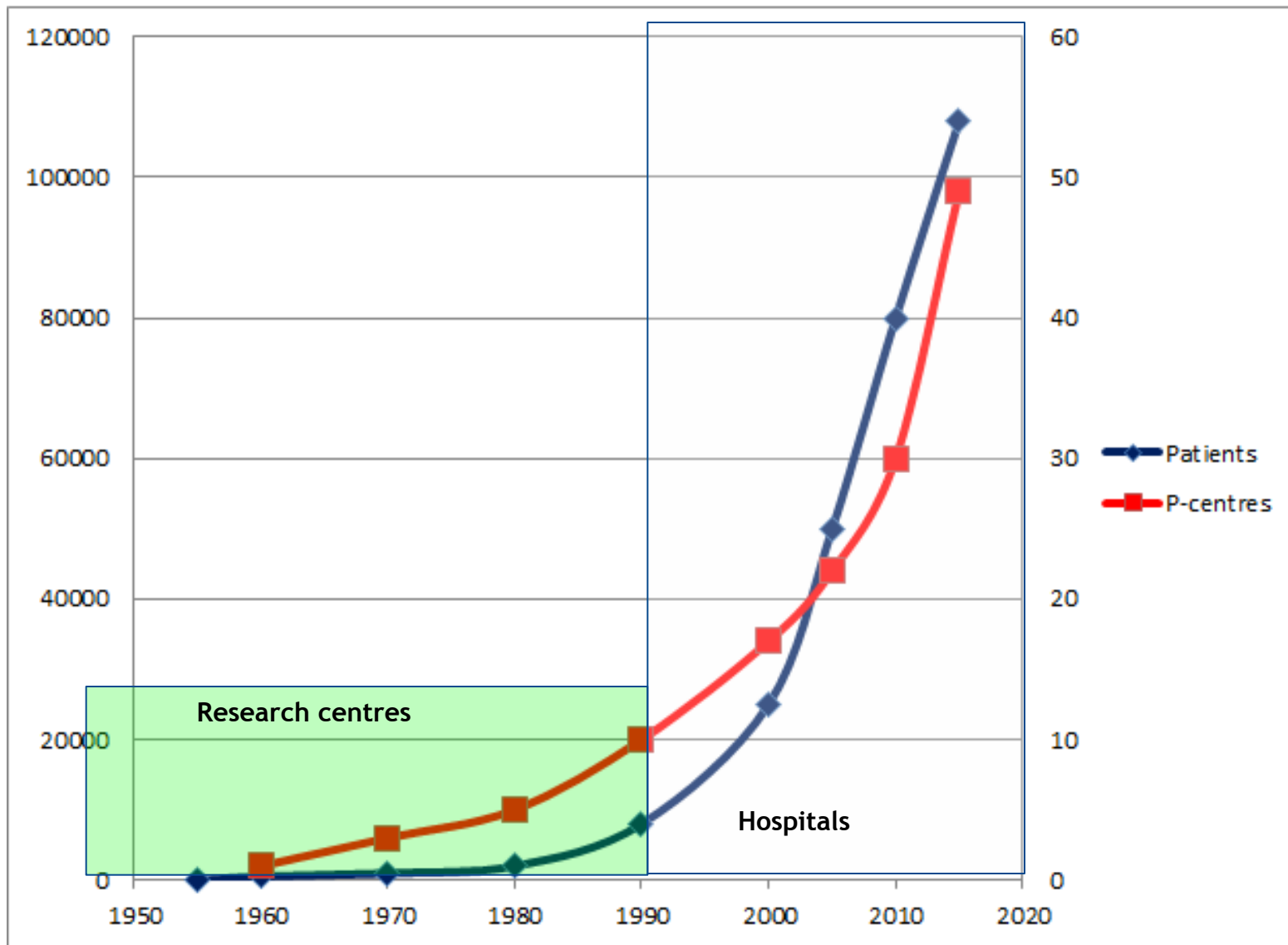
# Particle therapy centres in Europe - 2016

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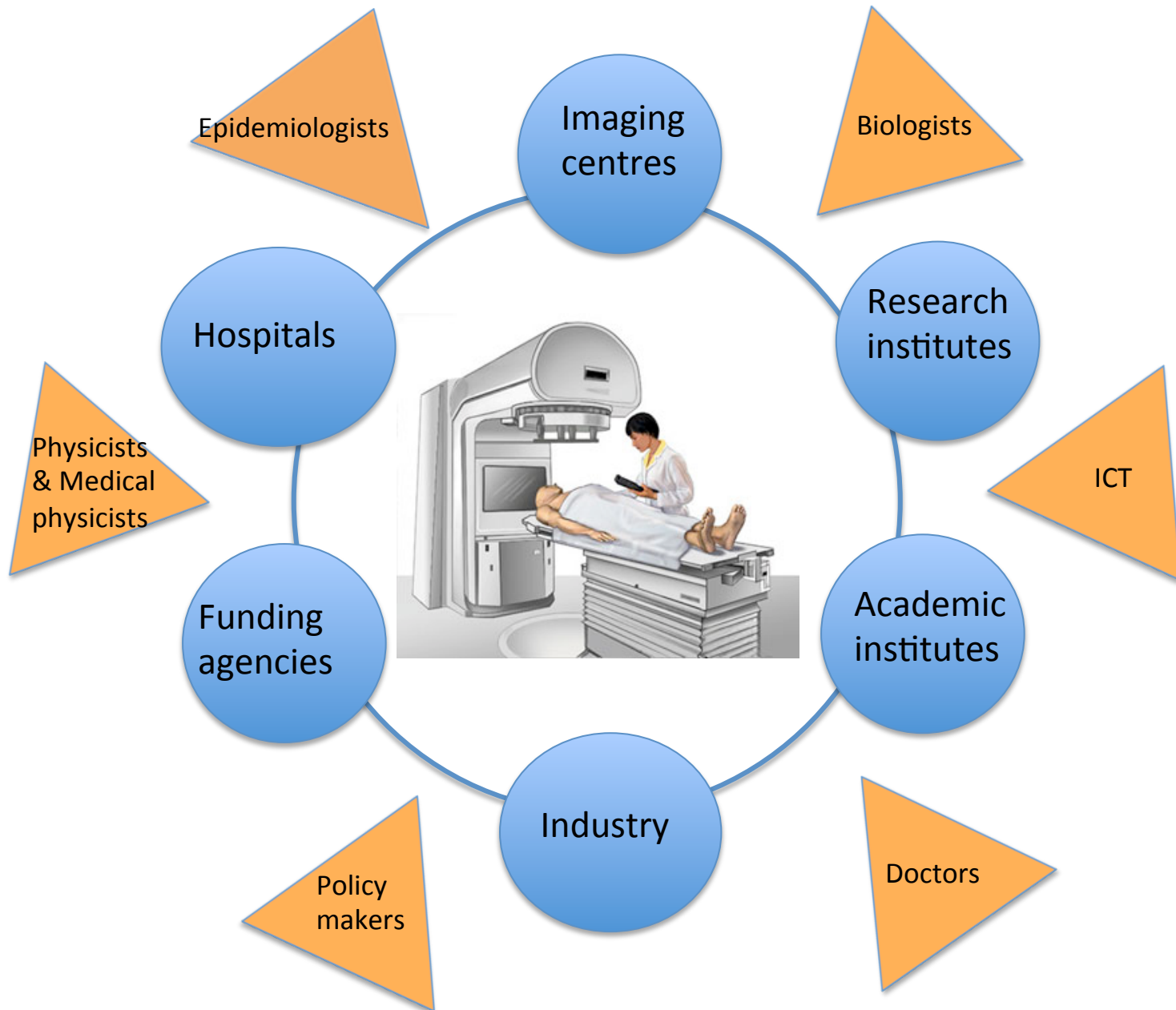




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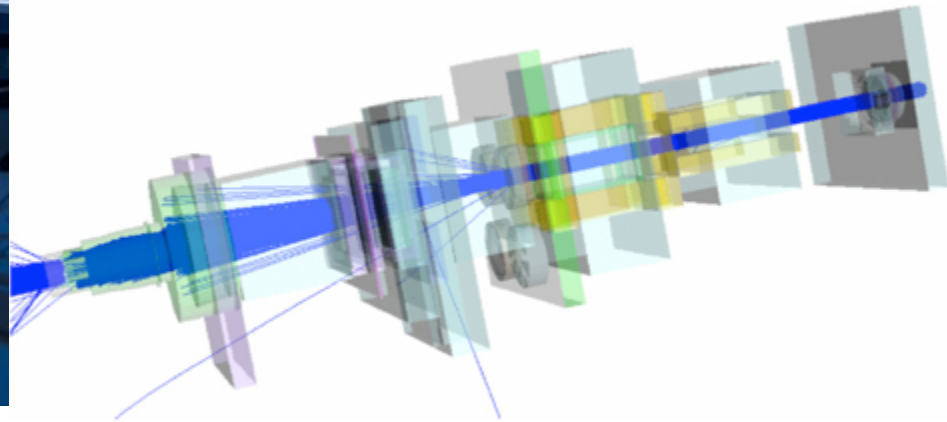
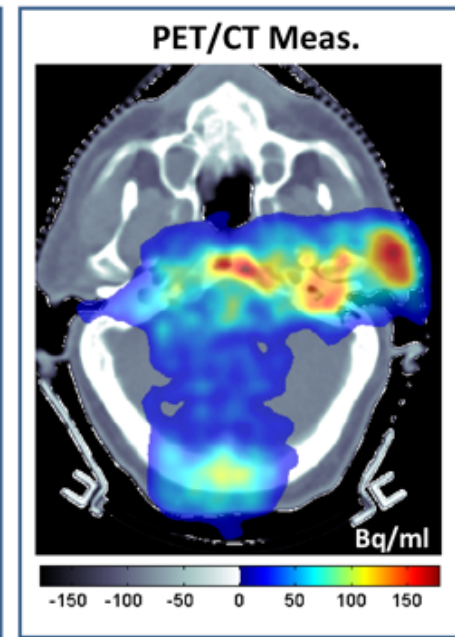
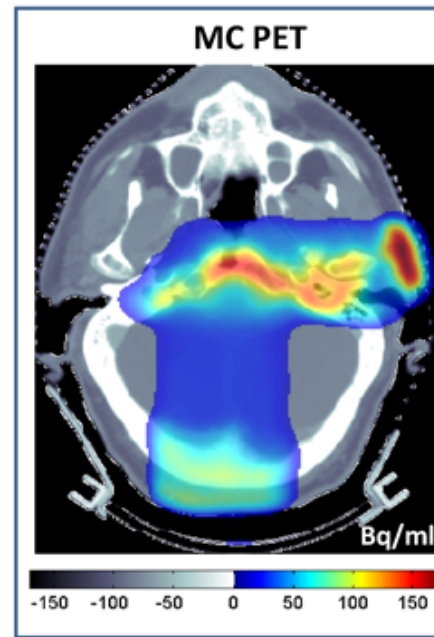


# ENLIGHT is a open collaborative network



# Other Current Activities @ CERN

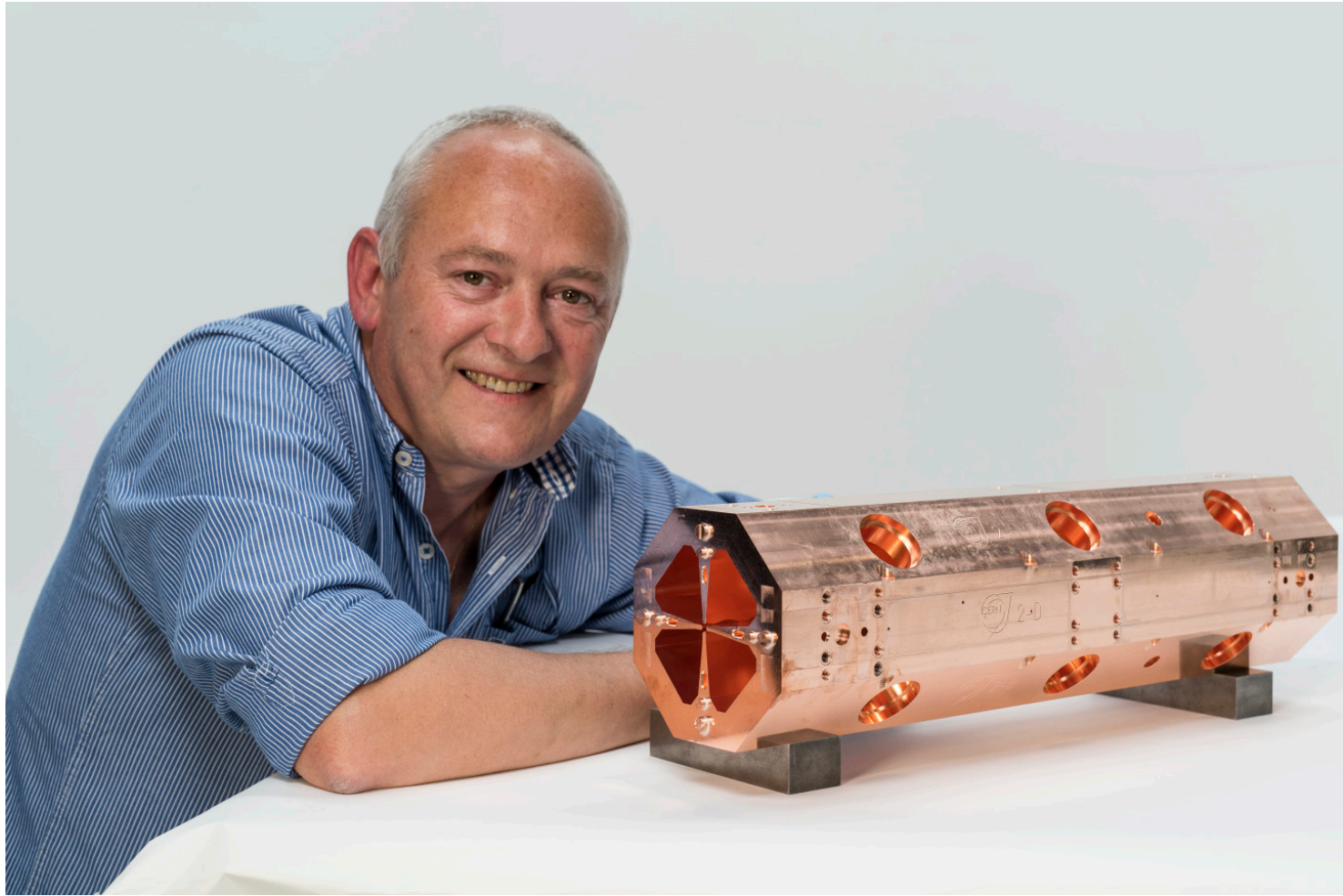
# Simulations for hadron therapy



Wioletta Kozolowska will speak on Wednesday



# The miniature linear accelerator



# The miniature linear accelerator

A new high-frequency RFQ

Compact, lightweight, low beam loss  
2.5 MeV/m (vs <1 MeV/m)

First application: proton therapy  
(commercialised through CERN's spin-off A.D.A.M. S.A.)

Potential applications: on-site radioisotope production,  
alpha-particle radiotherapy, analysis of archeological  
materials, radiobiology

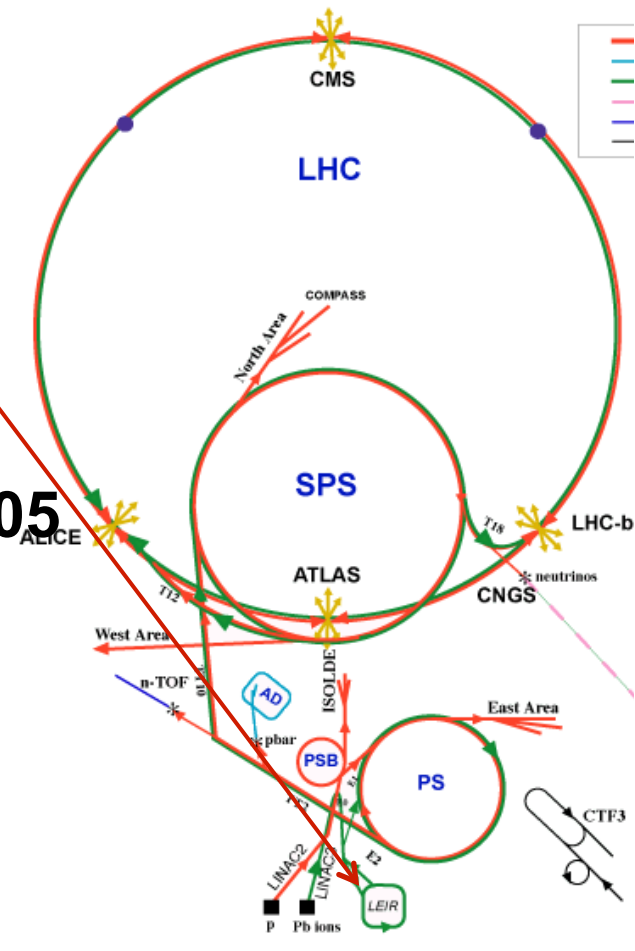
# LEIR for biomedical research

## LEIR (Low Energy Ion Ring)

- part of LHC injection chain
- accumulator for LHC ion programme (lead ions)

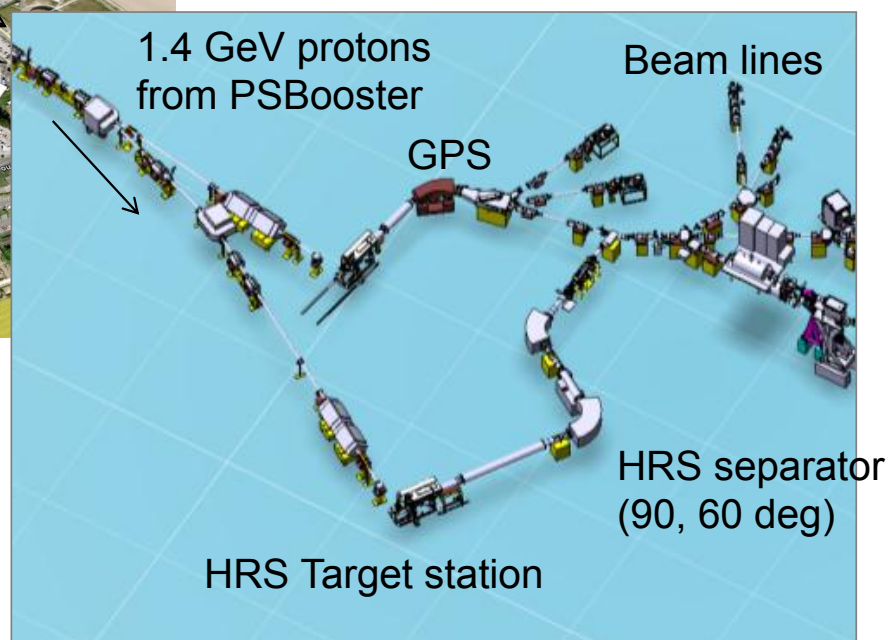
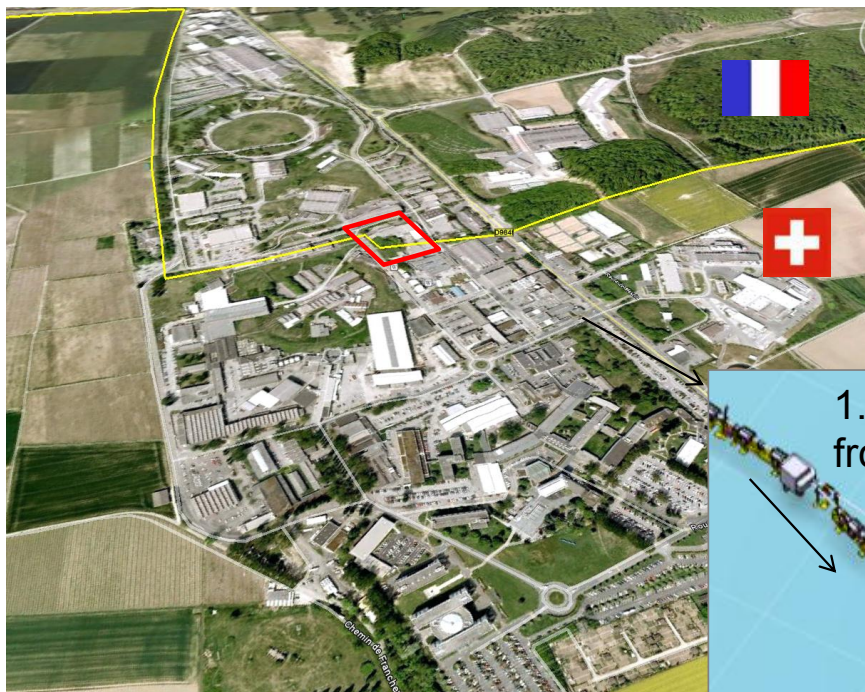
## Discussions to **establish facility since 2005**

- Test-bed for medical instrumentation
- Diagnostics and dosimetry
- radiobiology
- basic physics studies such as fragmentation of ion beams



Maurizio Vretener will address this

# The Isolde facility at CERN





# MEDICIS: MEDical Isotopes Collected from ISolde

Production of radioisotopes for research

Started as KT Fund project:  
shuttle robot to transport irradiated targets

During LS1, the building was adapted

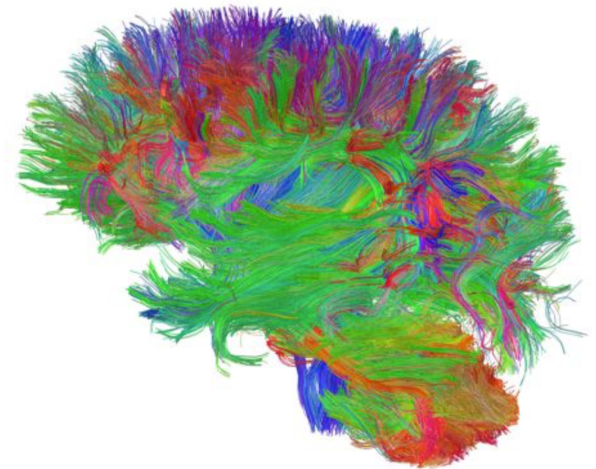
An international collaboration will operate the  
facility with CERN

# Big Data for health



# BioDynaMo — The Biology Dynamic Modeller

- Platform for high-performance simulations of biological dynamics
- Involves detailed physical interactions in biological tissue
- Highly optimised and parallelised code
- To be run on hybrid (multi-core, manycore) cloud environments
  - Cortical column: 10k neurons - brain cancer
  - Cortical sheet: 10m neurons - epilepsy
  - Cortex: 100m - 10bn neurons - schizophrenia



# The GeneROOT Project

- Based on data from the TwinsUK project, the biggest UK adult twin registry (more than 11000 twins, 300 TB genomics data)
  - Formal interface: King's College London
  - Behind KCL: entire consortium working on Twins UK (~ 50 institutes)
- Evaluate if the optimised ROOT file format and analysis features are more efficient for this type of studies than BAM and standard genomic analysis tools
- Evaluate Seagate Kinetics key/value storage facility for this type of cases



KING'S  
*College*  
LONDON

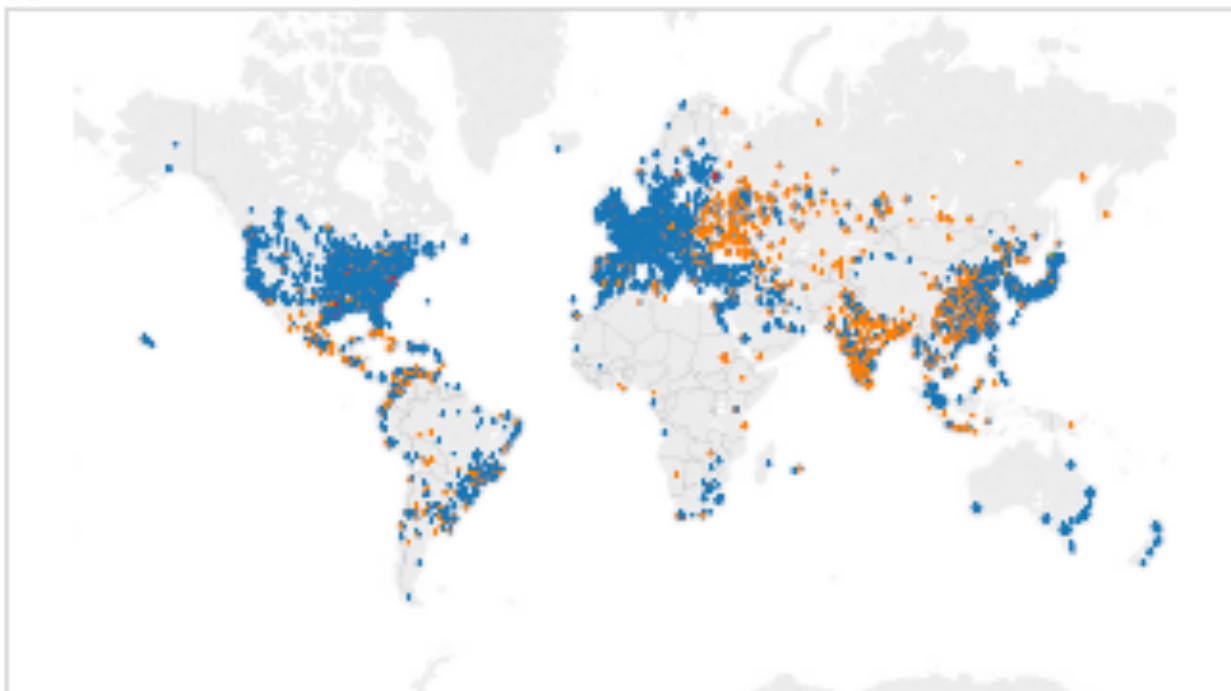




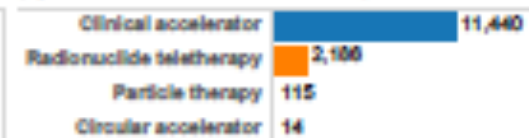
**Global Challenge: how to go from no  
radiotherapy to high quality radiotherapy  
globally: Challenging Environments**

# World wide radiotherapy coverage

Radiation therapy centers  
(Updated on : 6/1/2017 7:11:24 AM)



Equipment type  
(Updated on : 6/1/2017 7:11:24 AM)



Income groups



- Clinical accelerator
- Radionuclide teletherapy
- Circular accelerator
- Particle therapy

Countries	RT centers	Equipment	Linac	Radionuclide Therapy	Circular Accelerator	Particle Therapy
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# Reality in numbers.....

- No radiotherapy in 36 countries
- HIC have over 60% of all teletherapy machines and 16% of the world population
- LIC and LMIC have less than 10% of teletherapy machines which serve 50% of the world

# Needs by 2035 in LMIC

Globally 15 million (2015) to 25 million in (2035):

- 12,600 megavolt-class treatment machines
- 30,000 radiation oncologists
- 22,000 medical physicists
- 80,000 radiation technologists



# Many thanks

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ICEC and IAEA for developing country and global data