

Routine QA with the CelT phantom

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The ImPACT group - which stands for Imaging Performance Assessment of CT scanners - is part of the Imaging Physics Section of the Medical Physics Department at St George's Hospital, Tooling, London . Members of our department were even involved in early work on the first EMI CT scanner at nearby Atkinson Morley's Hospital in the early 1970s!



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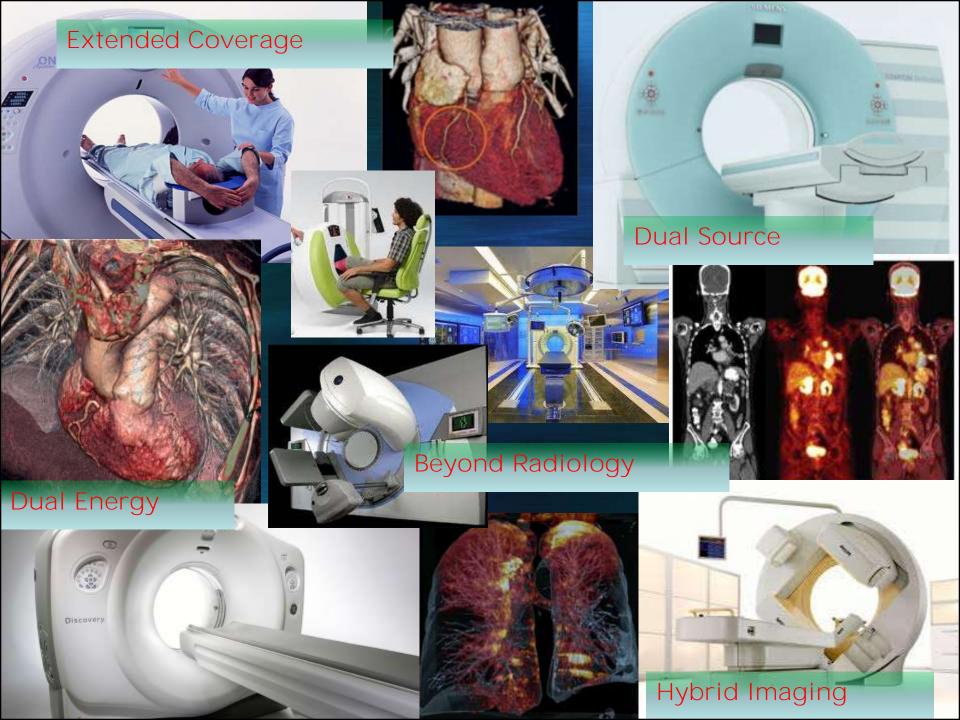
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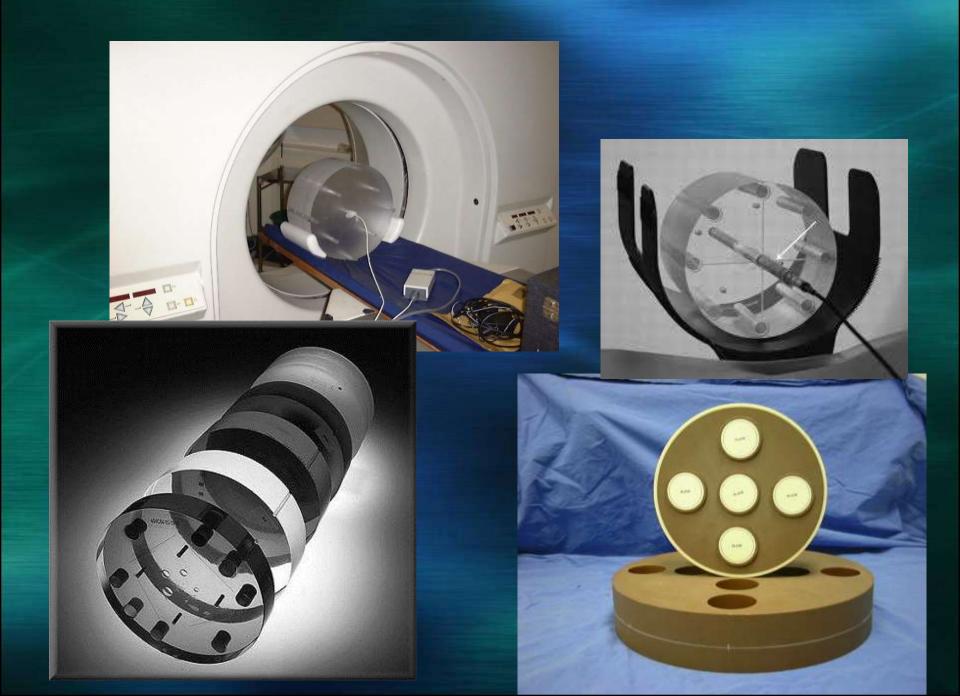
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he original EMI CT scanner, at Afrinson Morkey's



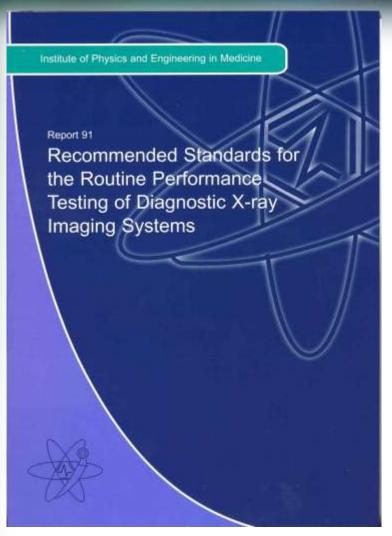








IPEM Report 91



(CT01/CT06) Image Noise (SD)

(CT02/CT07) CT Number values

(CT08) CT Number Uniformity

(CT09) High Contrast Spatial Resolution

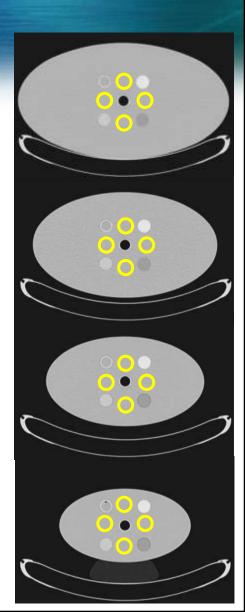
(CT10) Computed Tomography Dose Index

(CT11/PD07) CTDI $_{\rm vol}$ for single slice

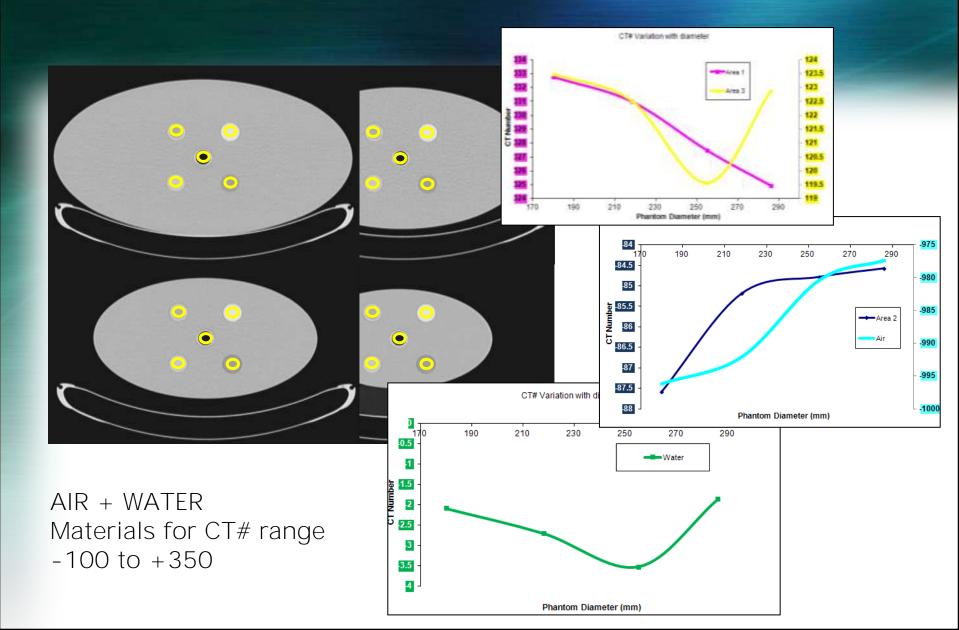
CT06 — Image Noise



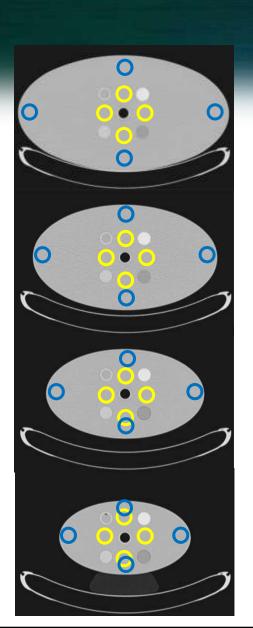
Axial slices through each section of CelT Monitor image noise with time

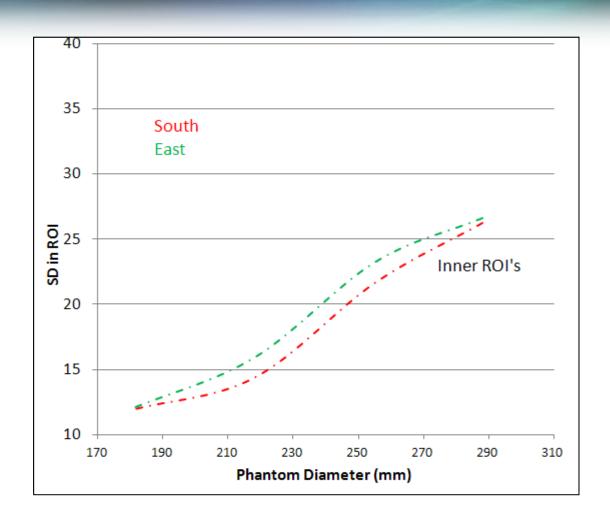


CT07 — CT Number Values



CT08 — CT Number Uniformity





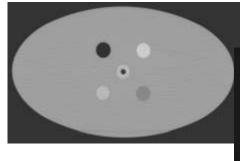
CT10 — Computed Tomography Dose Index

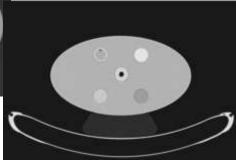


During commissioning use standard phantoms

- Determine scanner display accuracy
- Obtain baseline values in CelT





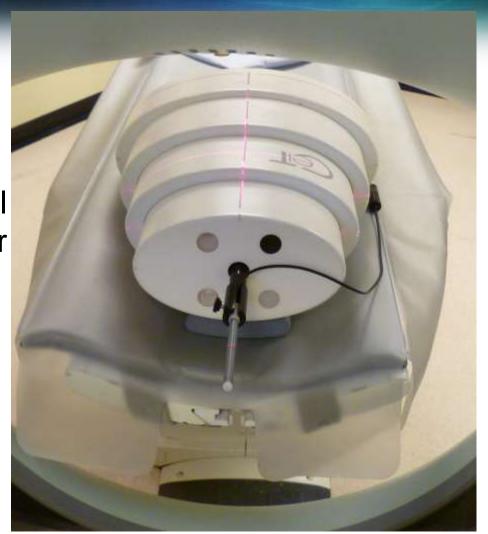


Routinely consistency check

- Measured value
- Scanner indicated value

CT011 — CTDI_{vol} for single slice or rotation

Support standard pencil chamber from CelT in air and measure CTDI



IPEM 91 Routine Testing



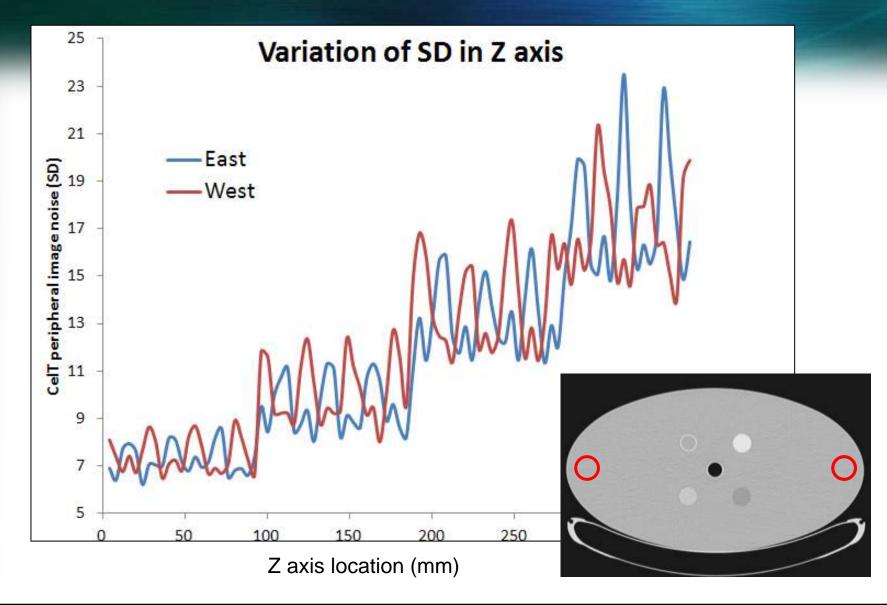
QA for MSCT - beyond IPEM 91



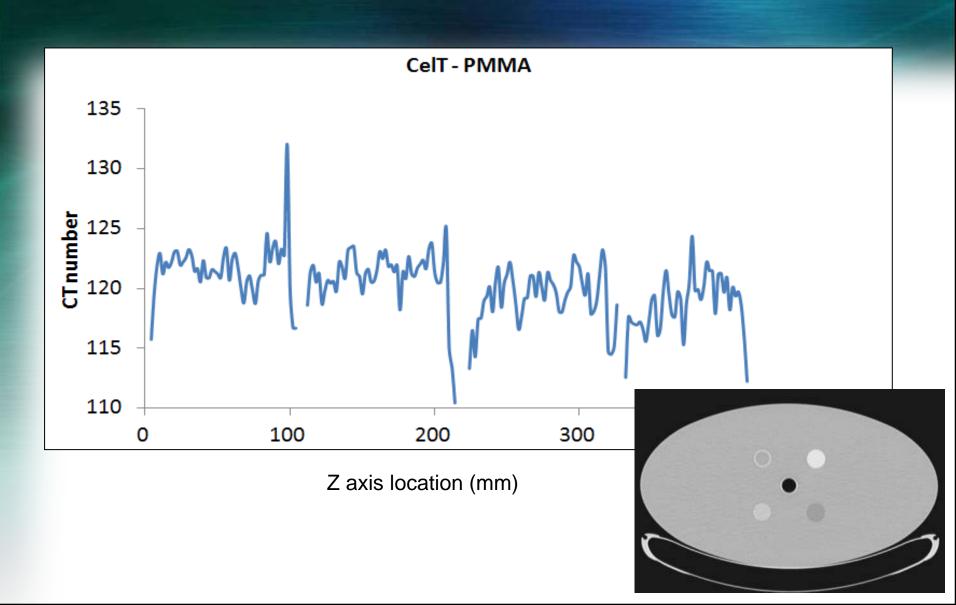
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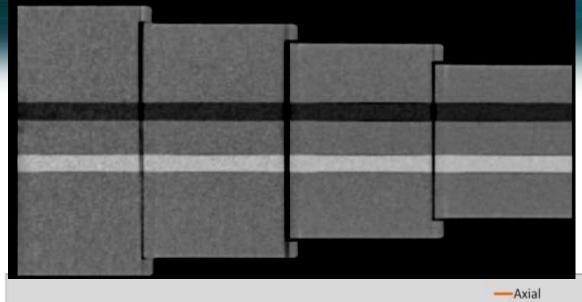
- All the slices?
- MPRs
- AEC
- Cone beam artefacts
- · Other issues?

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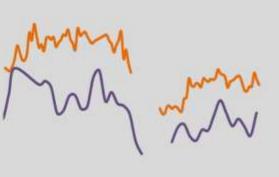


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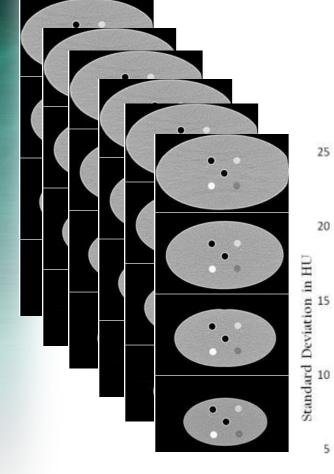


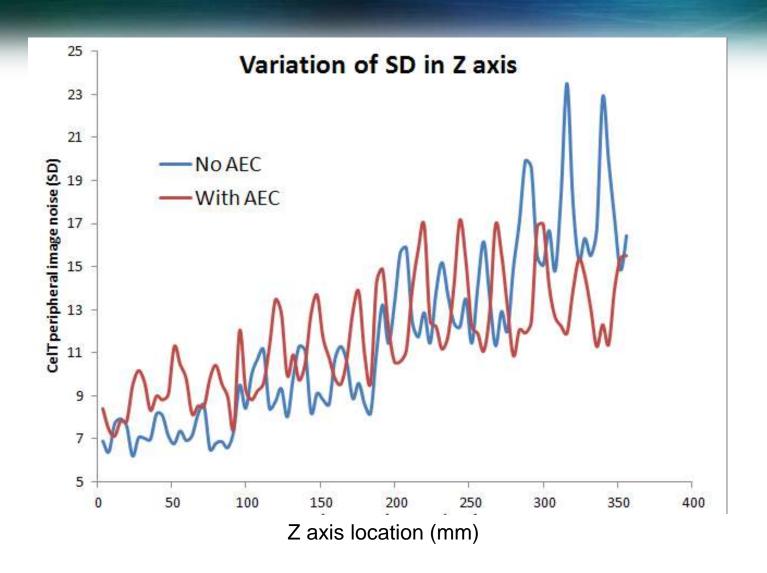


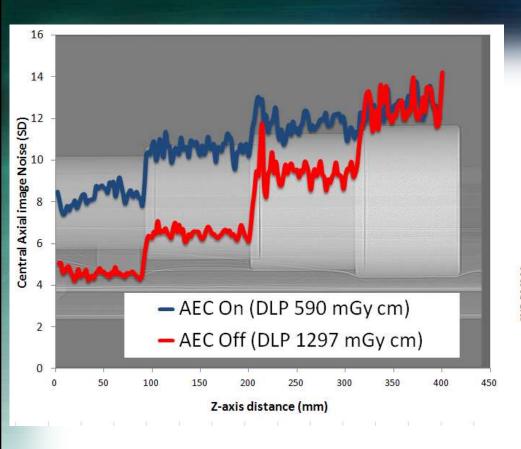


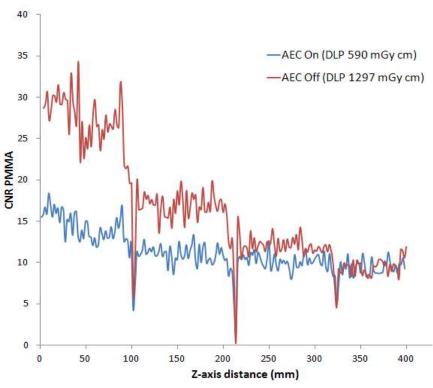


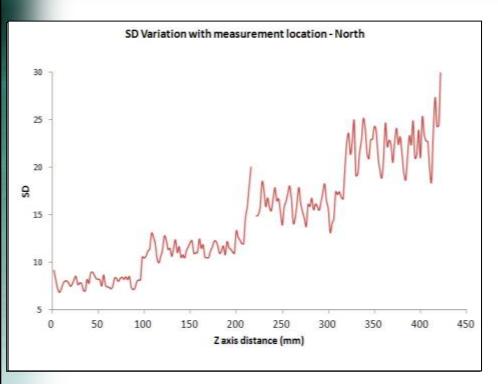
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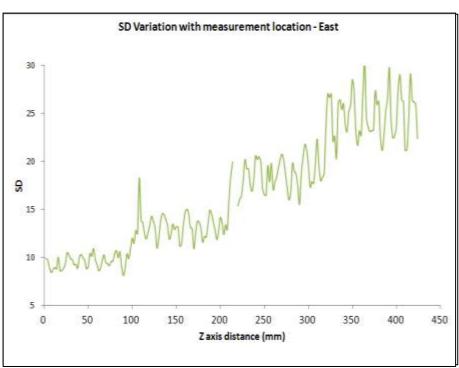




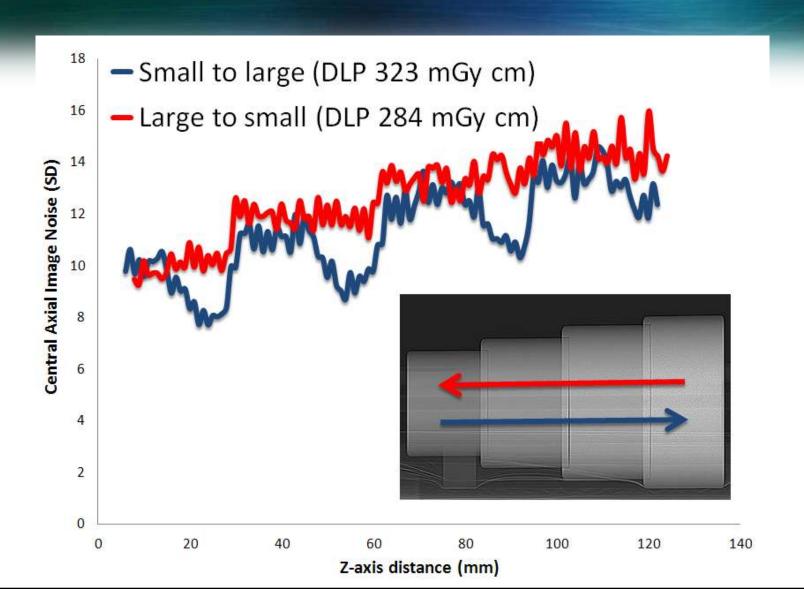




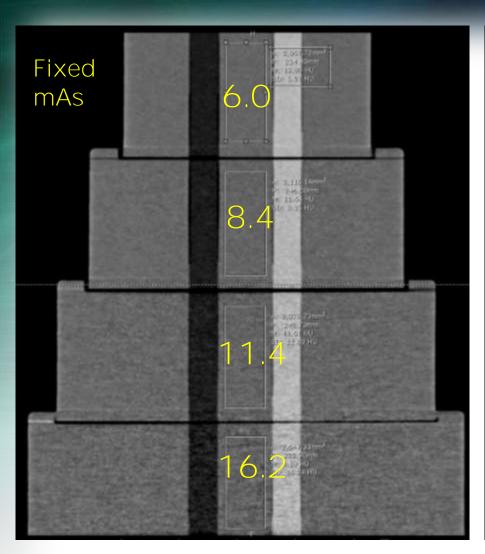


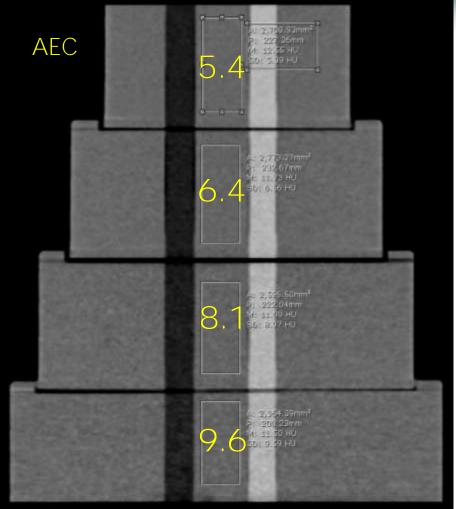


No AEC WITH AEC



AEC and MPR

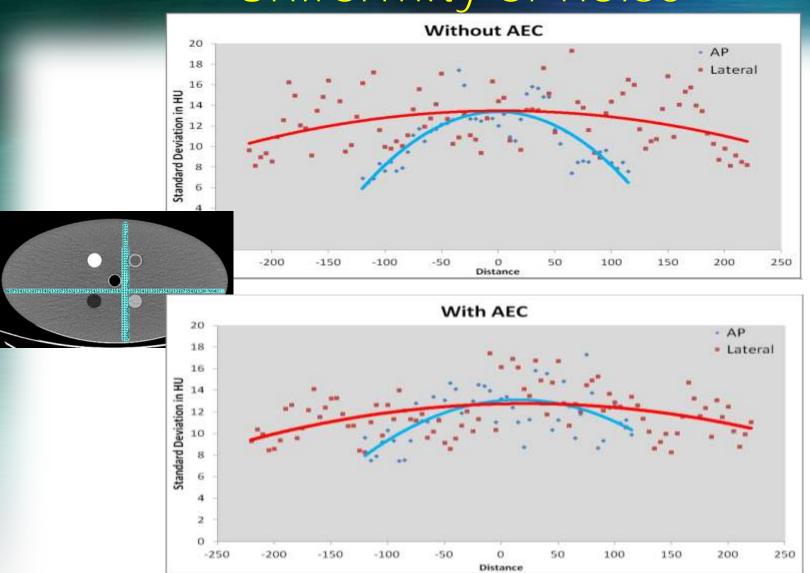




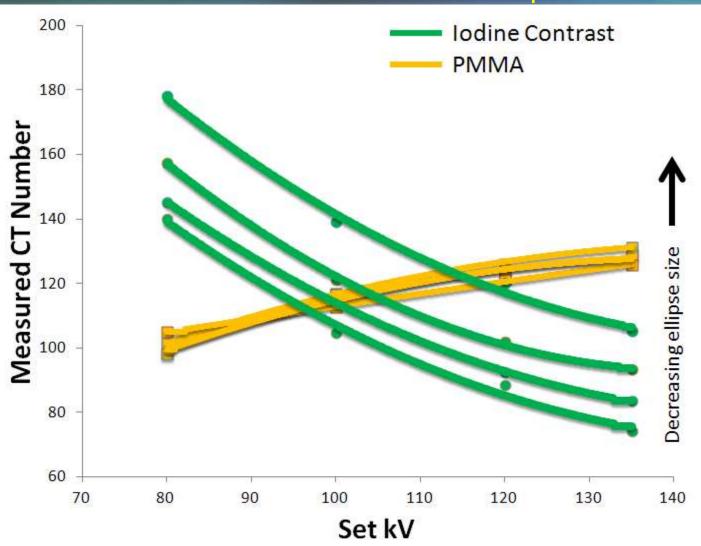
Cone Beam Artefact

 Not yet considered....but, may be difficult with CelT

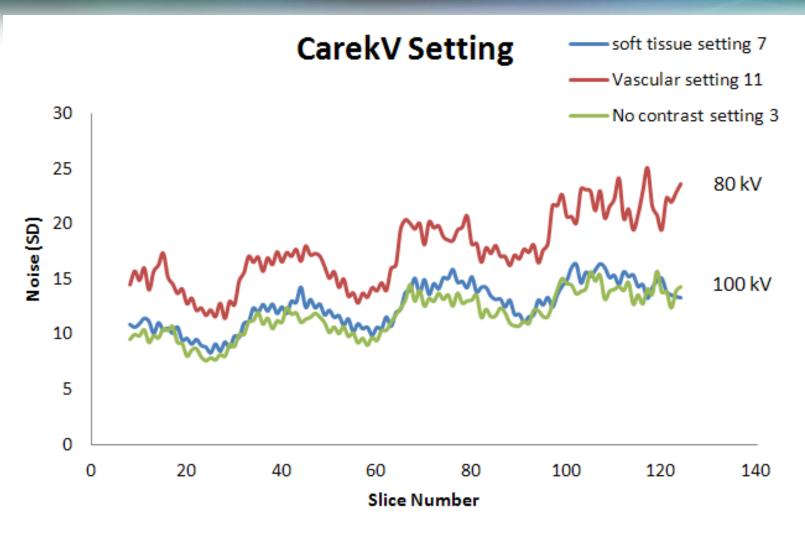
Other Issues?-Uniformity of noise



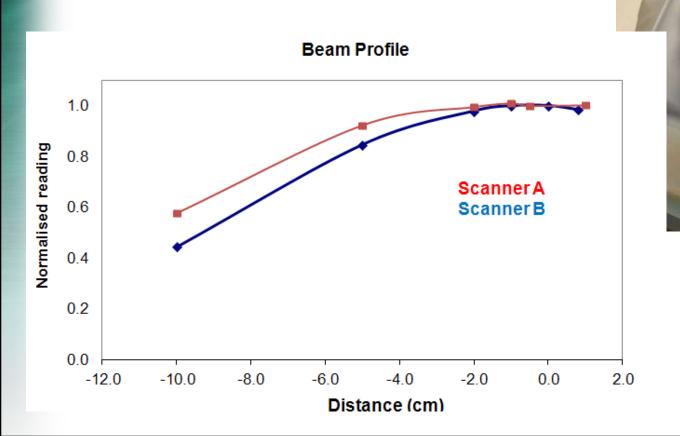
Other Issues?-Iodine Contrast response



Other Issues?-Auto kV response



Other Issues? Profiles - in air



Other Issues?-Profiles - in phantom





- Single Standard Phantom for RT
 - Manual handling

Manual Handling







- Single Standard Phantom for RT
 - Manual handling
 - Scanner time

Time Saving

Output in air / CTDI		10 minutes	Top of the second	2 minutes	8 minutes
Image Noise		5 minutes per phantom		CelT already set- up	10 minutes
CT Number		5 minutes		CeIT already set- up	5 minutes
CTDI (head and body)		5 minutes per phantom		CelT already set-	5 minutes
SURVEY					



- Single Standard Phantom for RT
 - Manual handling
 - Scanner time
- Clinically relevant testing
 IPEM 91 and beyond....

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