

# MATROSHKA and other Physical Phantoms used for Dosimetry in Space

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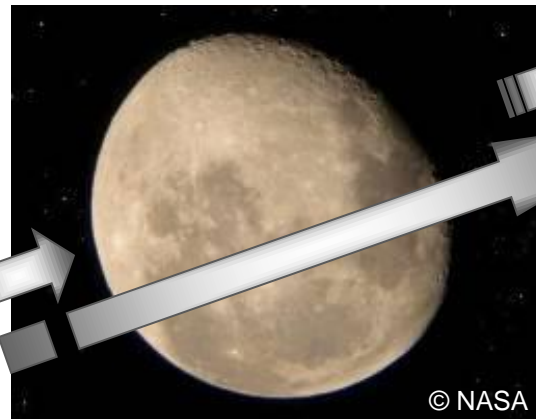
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# Perspectives

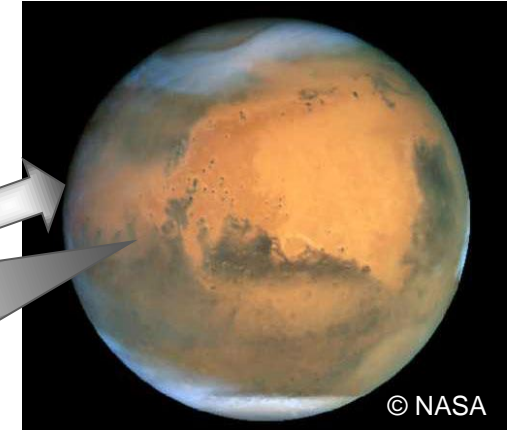


Utilization of the ISS

Low Earth Orbit (LEO)



Missions to Moon, Deep Space Habitat in Cis-Lunar Space, lunar human outpost on the South Pole



Missions to Mars

Beyond LEO

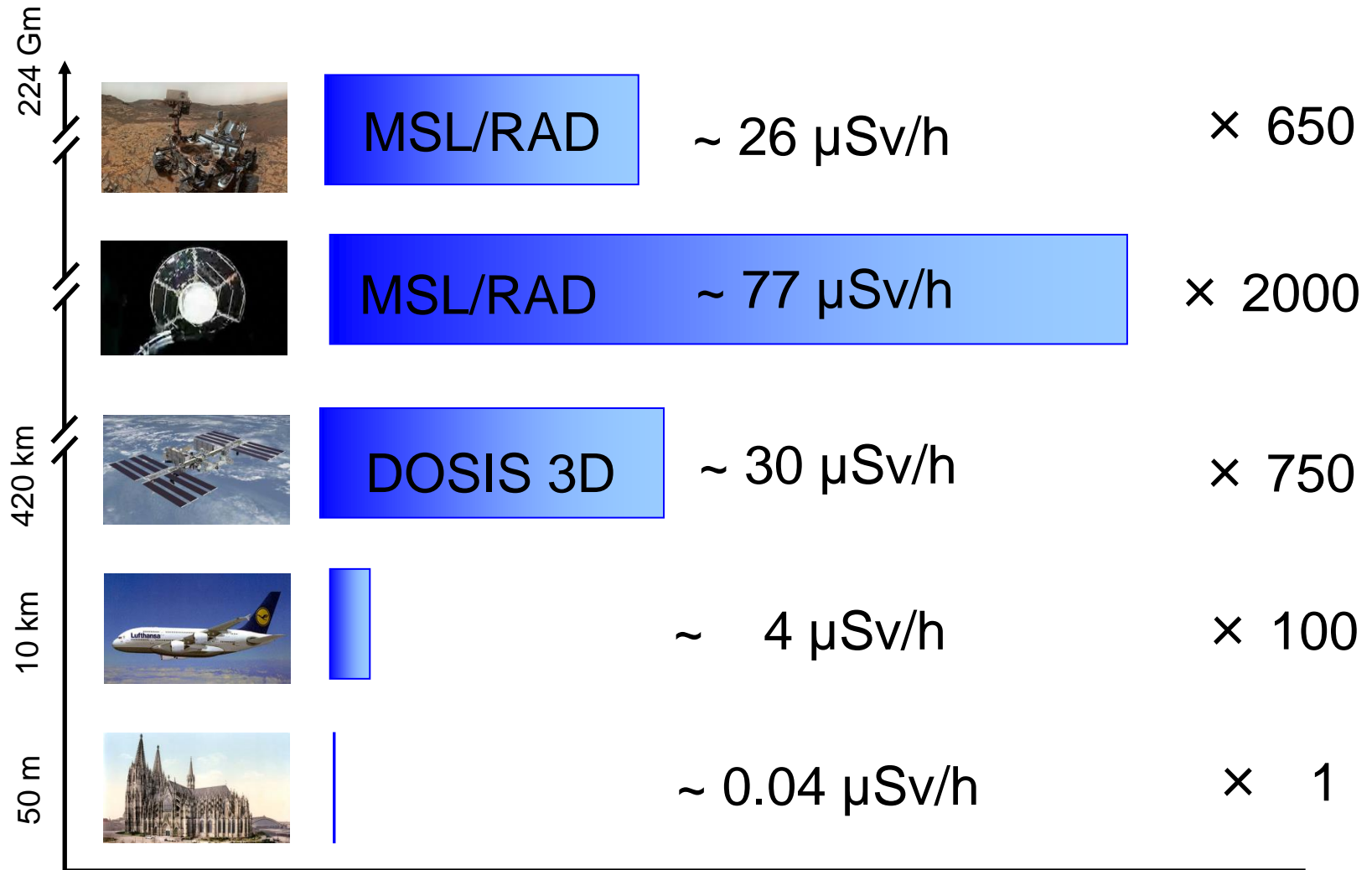
# Major Objective of Space Radiation Protection Research

**Radiation constitutes one of the major hazards for humans in long-term missions.....**

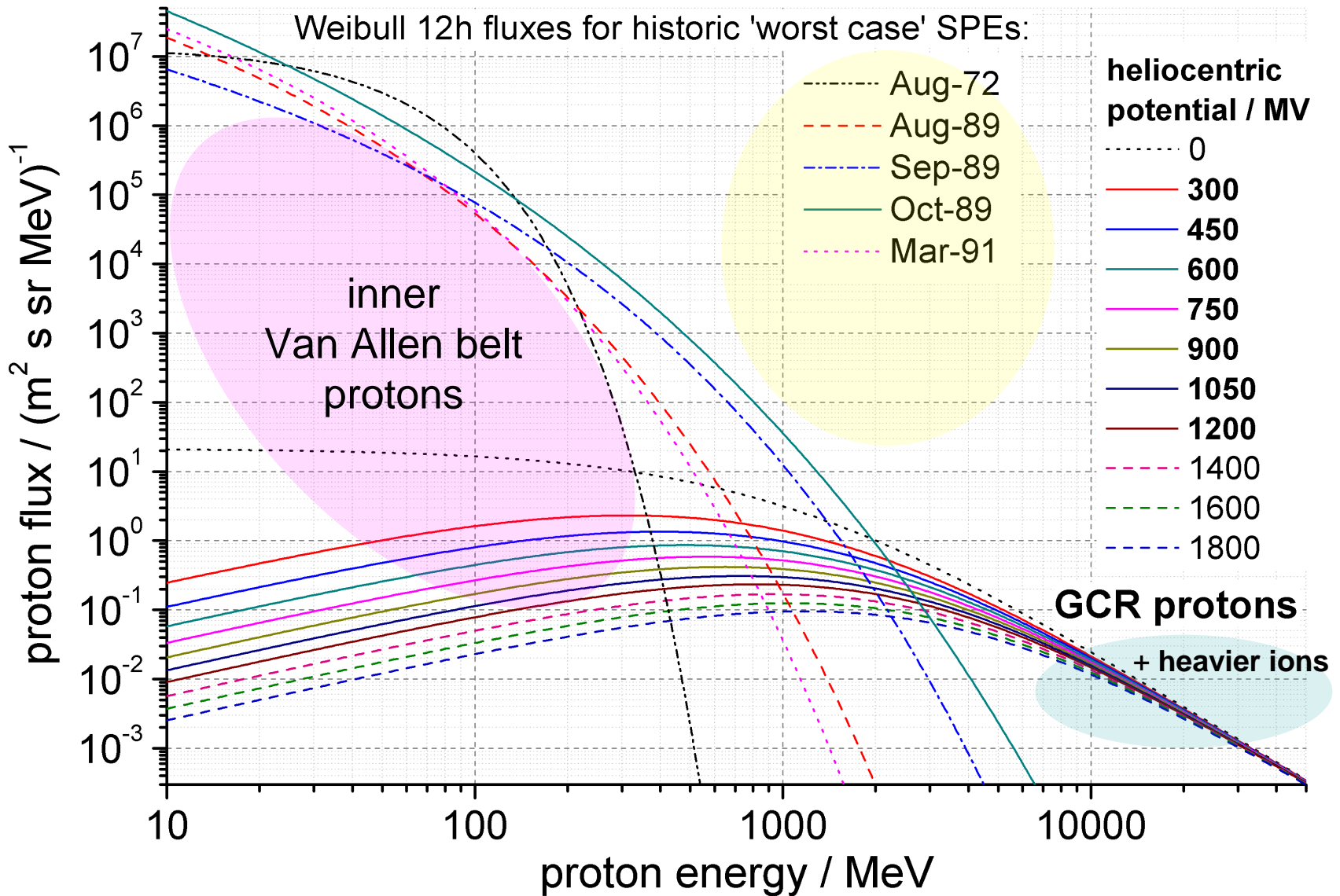
**..... therefore we have to assure that the radiation risk of the astronauts remains within acceptable levels**

**..... a precondition is a reliable forecast and the provision of precise measurements**

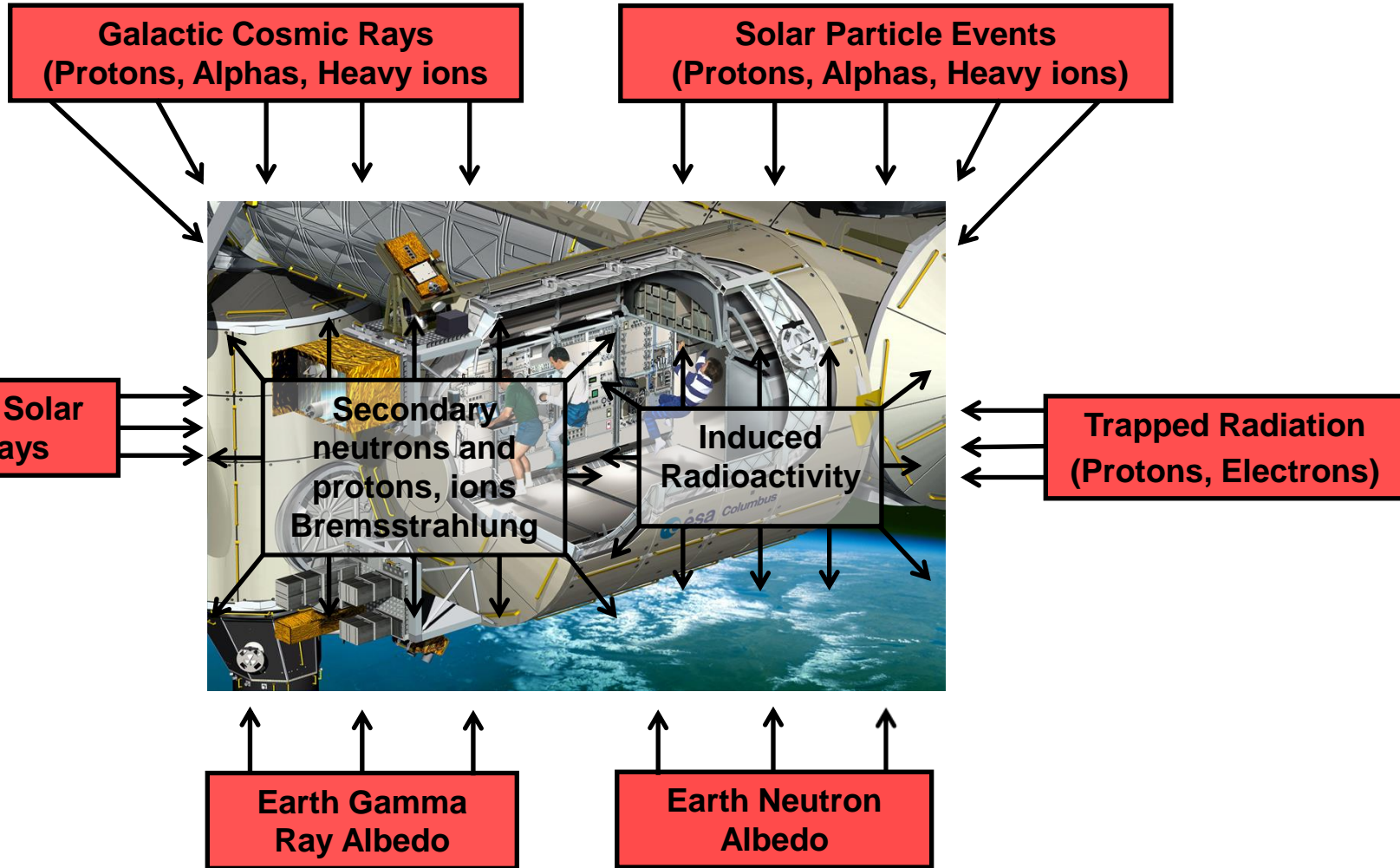
# Radiation Exposure by GCR



# Fluxes of primary space radiation components



# Secondary Radiation



# Dosimetric Quantities

## Absorbed Dose

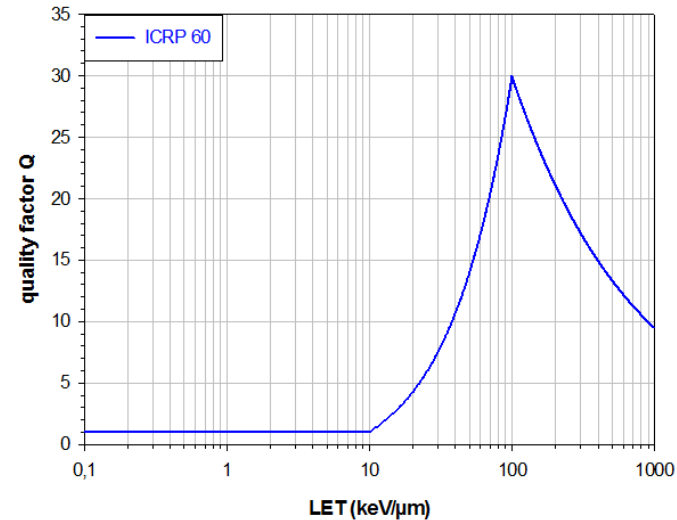
$$D = \frac{d\bar{\varepsilon}}{dm}$$

Unit: J/kg = Gy

## Dose Equivalent

$$H = \int_L Q(L) * D(L) dL$$

Q = dimensionless  
L = Linear Energy Transfer  
Unit: J/kg = Sv



## Effective Dose Equivalent

$$E = \sum_T w_T \bar{H}_T$$

w = organ weighting factor

$$\bar{H}_T = M_T^{-1} \int_x \int_L Q(L) D(L) \rho(x) dL dx$$

Tissue or organ	$w_T$
Bone Marrow, Breast, Colon, Lung, Stomach, Remainder tissue	<b>0.12</b>
Gonads	<b>0.08</b>
Bladder, Liver, Thyroid, Oesophagus	<b>0.04</b>
Skin, Brain, Salivary Glands, Bone surface	<b>0.01</b>

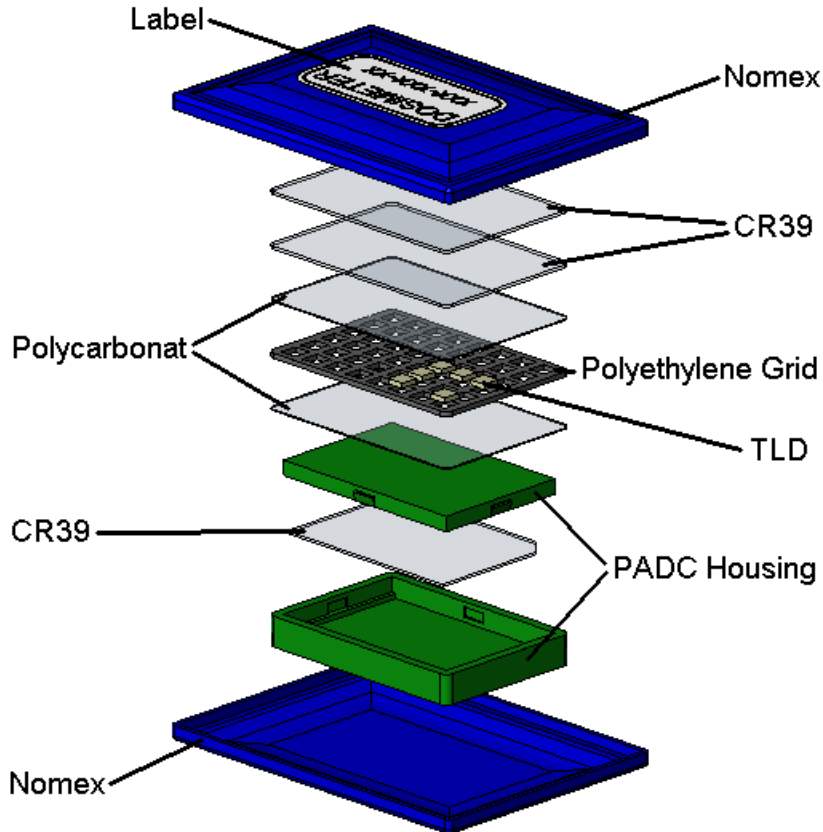
# Primary Objectives of Operational Dosimetry

- Accurate monitoring of astronaut radiation exposure
- Implementation of ALARA Principle
- Provision of warning of heightened exposures levels
- Document and provide an archival record of each astronaut's radiation exposure
- Inform astronauts on their risk
- Provide evidence that no limits have been exceeded
- Provide supplementary information related to interpretation of instrument readings and risk assessments



# European Crew Personal Dosemeter

Light weight (~ 30g) passive dosemeter system



- Thermoluminescence Detectors (TLD's)
- CR-39 Nuclear Track Etch Detectors
- PADC Neutron Detector



# Phantom Experiments in Space

FM-2 Phantom Mannequin	1969 1970	Zond 7 Cosmos 368
Phantom Head	1989 – 1990	Space Shuttle
Spherical Phantom	1997 – 1999	Space Station MIR
Anthropomorphic Phantom	1998	Space Shuttle
Anthropomorphic Phantom	2001	International Space Station
Spherical Phantom MATROSHKA-R	2004 – until now	International Space Station
Anthropomorphic Phantom MATROSHKA	2004 – 2011	International Space Station

# First Phantom flown in Space

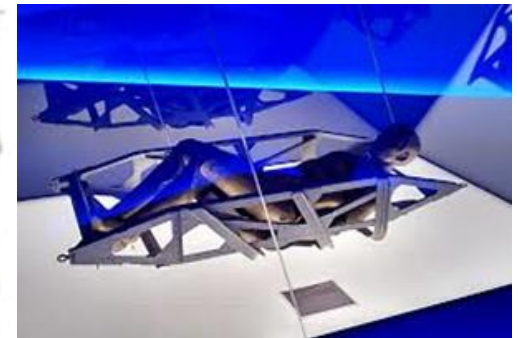
The FM-2 phantom mannequin was developed in the Research Institute of Medical and Biological Problems of the USSR Academy of Sciences in 1968. His first mission was aboard Zond 7 in August 1969. FM-2 flew past the moon aboard Zond-7 at a distance of 1984.6 km. FM-2 was reused on the six-day orbital flight of Cosmos 368 in October 1970. He was then pensioned off to a place of honor at the Polytechnic Museum, Moscow.

The mannequin with Gagarin's face was designed for the study of the effect of space radiation on the human body.

The task was complicated by the fact that for the correct assessment of the radiation dose, it was necessary for the mannequin to respond to radiation in the same way as do the tissues of the human body. This explains the unusual choice of materials: wheat and sawdust.



FM-2 Phantom  
Credit: © Dietrich Haeseler



# Phantom Head

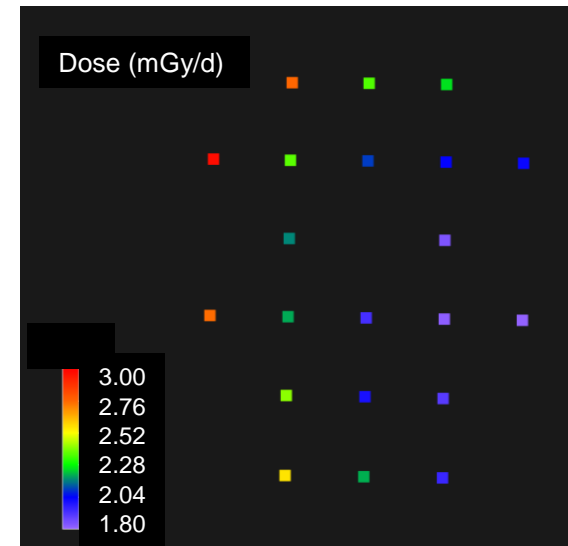
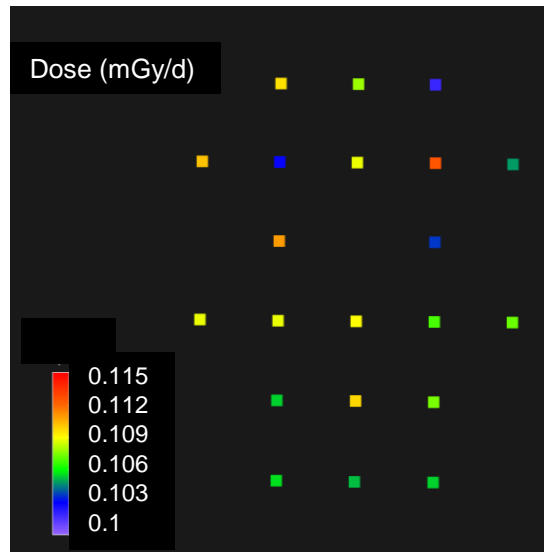


	STS - 28	STS - 31
Launch date	13-08-1989	24 -04-1990
Duration (hours)	122	121.23
Inclination (°)	57.0	28.5
Altitude (km)	296	620

Konradi A., Atwell W., Badhwar G.D.,  
Cast B.L., Hardy K. A., (1992),. Nucl.  
Tracks. Radiat. Meas. 20 (1), 49-54

Result: „

- No „hot spots“ in the brain
- No increase in dose inside the human head.



# Spherical Phantom

- Phantom 1 MIR (May 1997 – February 1998)
- Phantom 2 MIR (May 1998 – August 1998)
- Phantom 3 MIR (August 1998 – February 1999)

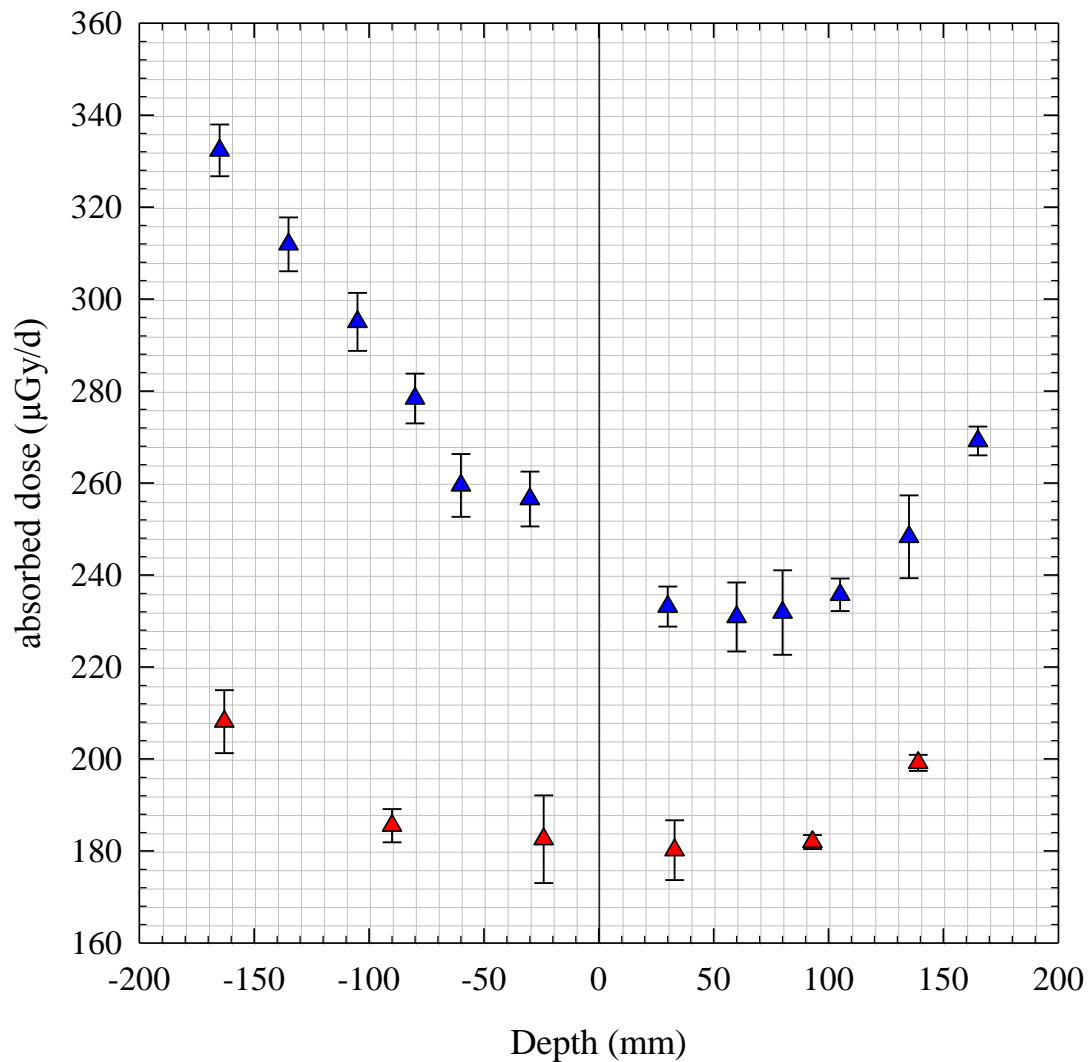
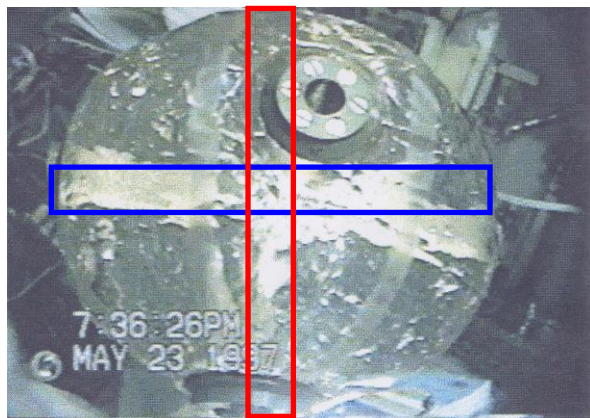


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Berger, T., (2003) Dose assessment in mixed radiation fields – Special emphasis on space dosimetry, PhD Thesis, Vienna University of Technology

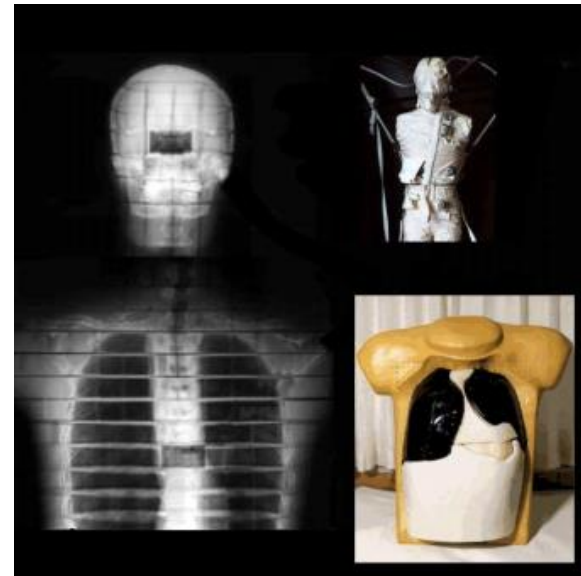
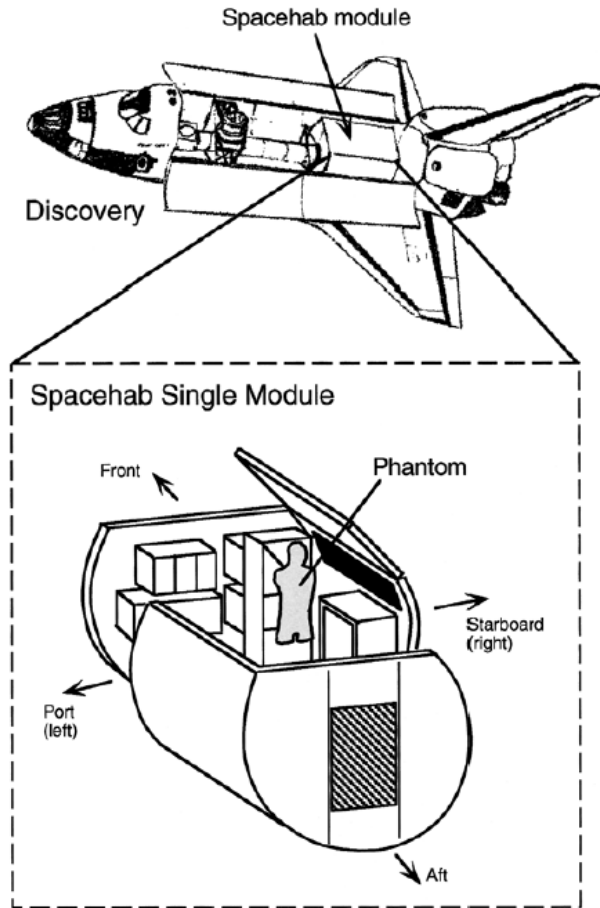
# Space Station MIR – Phantom I / Phantom III

spacecraft hull



	Phantom I (5/97 – 2/98)	Phantom III (8/98 - 2/99)
Duration (days)	271	170
Location	Commander Cabin	Modul Kwant 2

# STS-91 June 1998 : Fred – 1

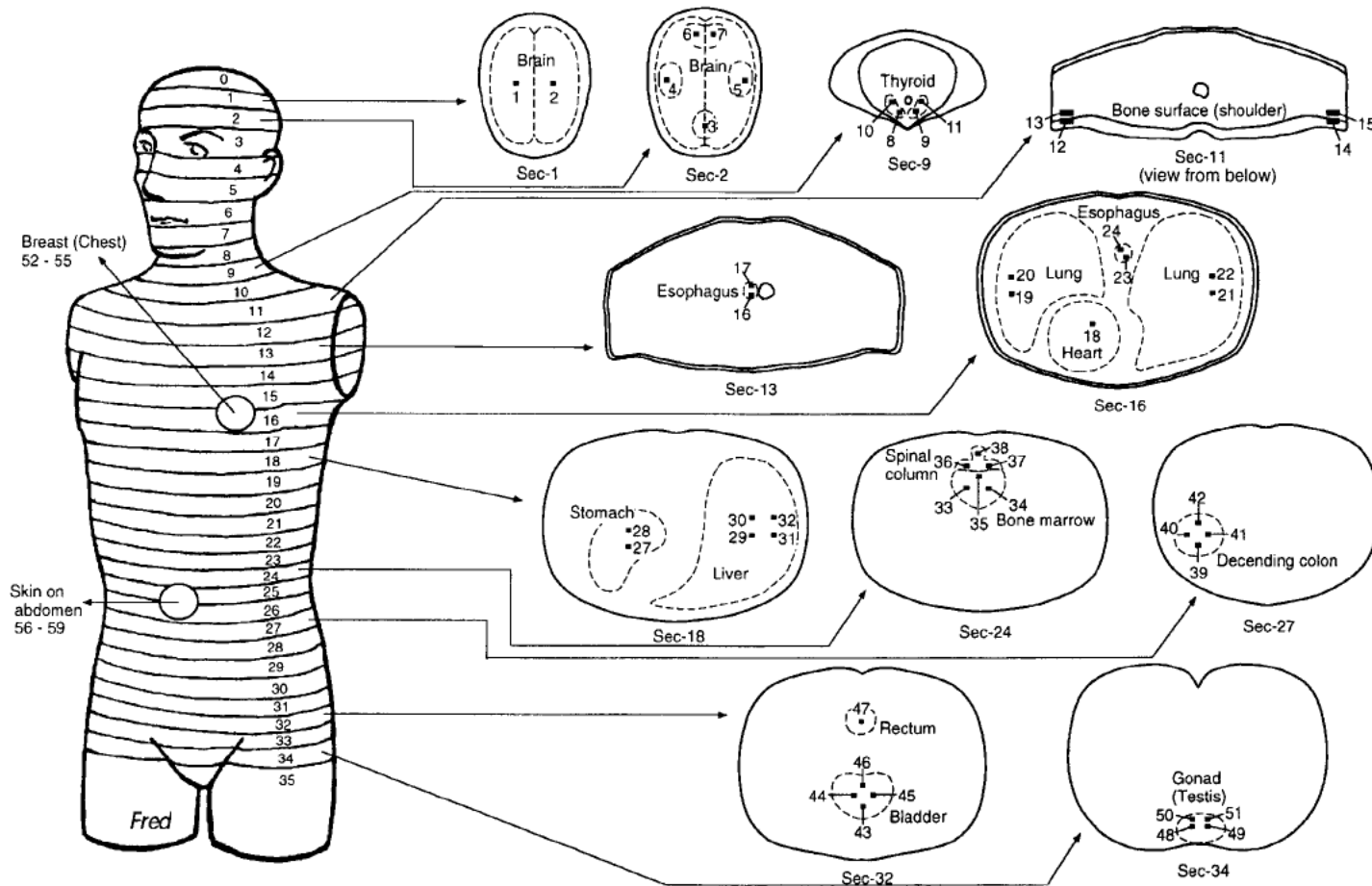


STS – 91	Shuttle-Mir Mission
Launch	02-06-1998
Duration (hours)	236
Inclination (°)	51.56
Altitude (km)	~ 390

Badhwar G.D., Atwell W., Badavi F.F., Yang T.C., Cleghorn T.F., (2002), Radiat. Res. 157 (1), 76-91

Yashuda H., Badhwar G.D., Komiyama T., Fujikata K., (2000), Radiat. Res. 154 (6), 705 – 713

# Human Phantom Torso indicating the positions of detector cases



59 Positions  
(NIRS/JAXA)

TLD+CR-39  
(Organ dose)

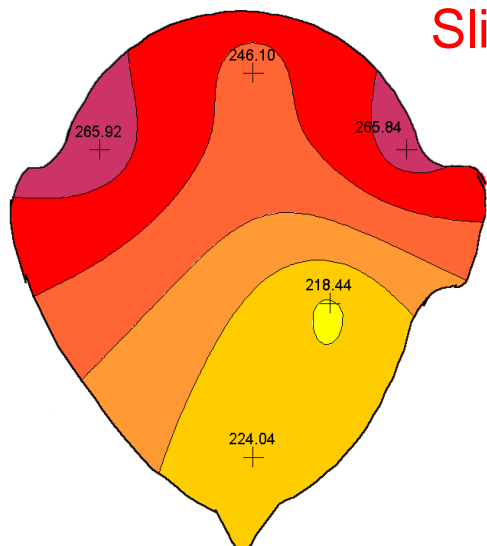
358 Positions  
(NASA)

TLD  
(Depth dose)

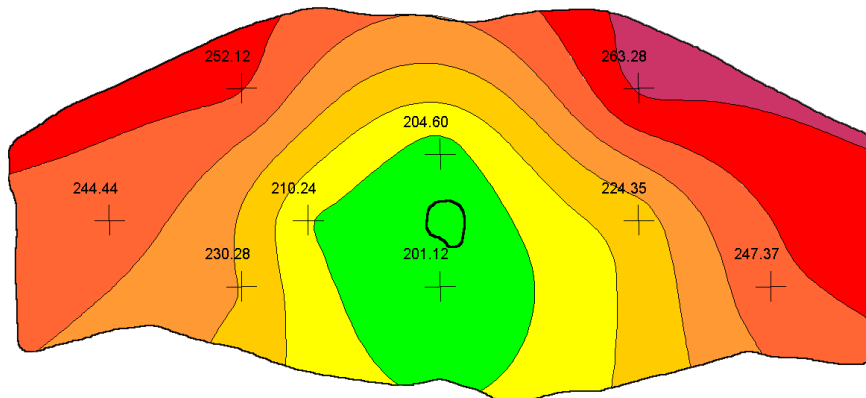


# RESULTS: STS-91 June 1998 – TLD Depth Dose

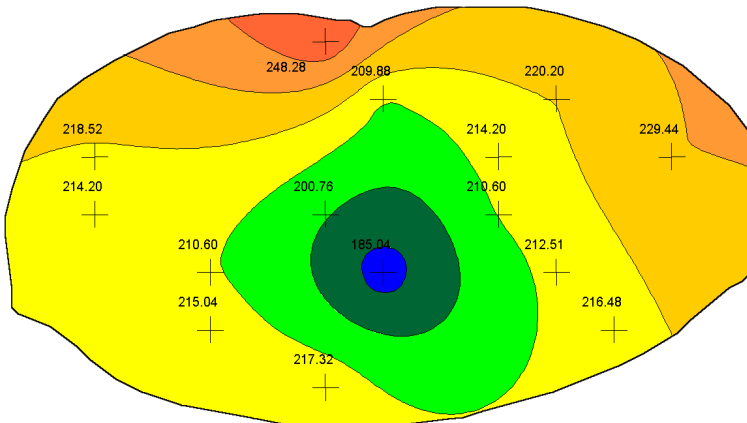
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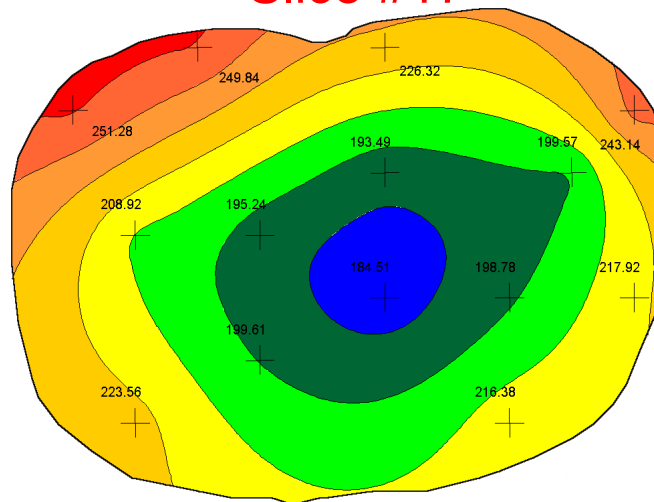
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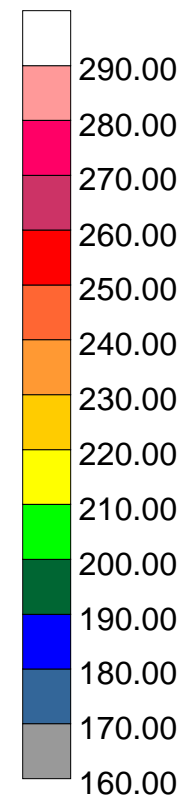
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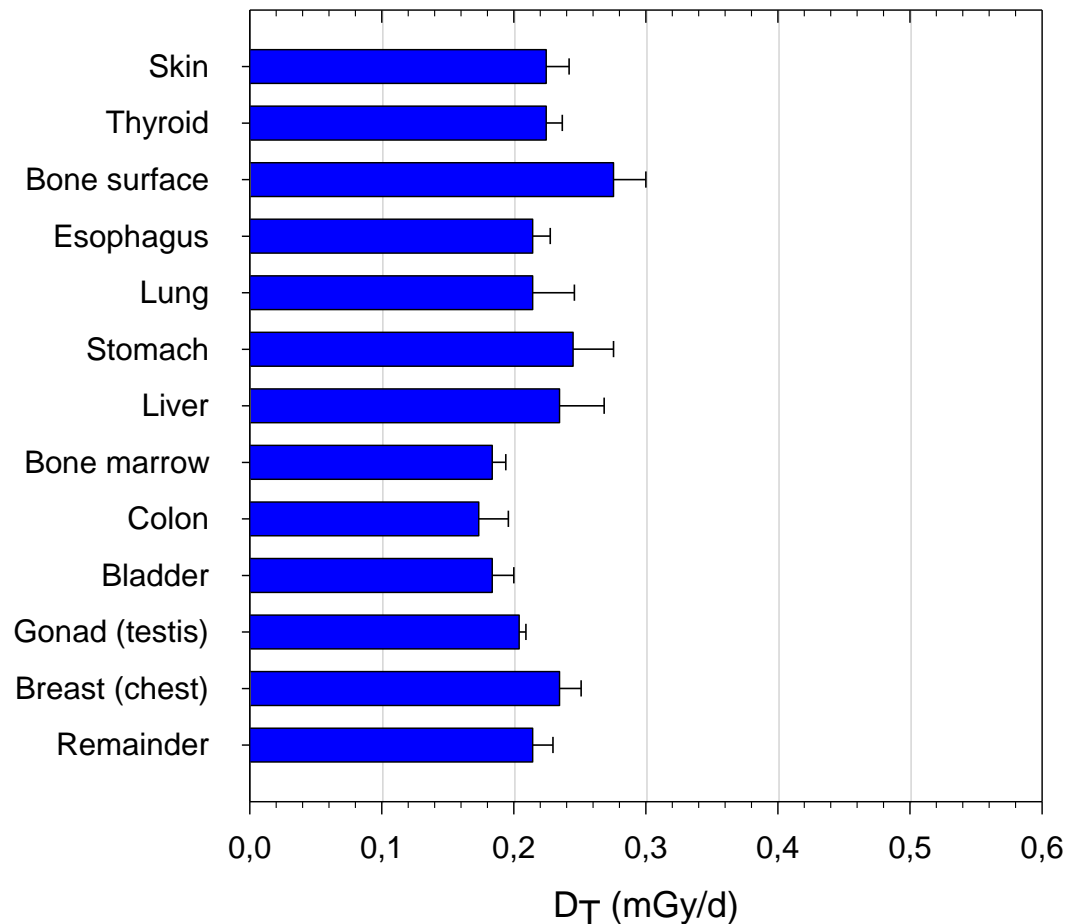


Dose (mrad)



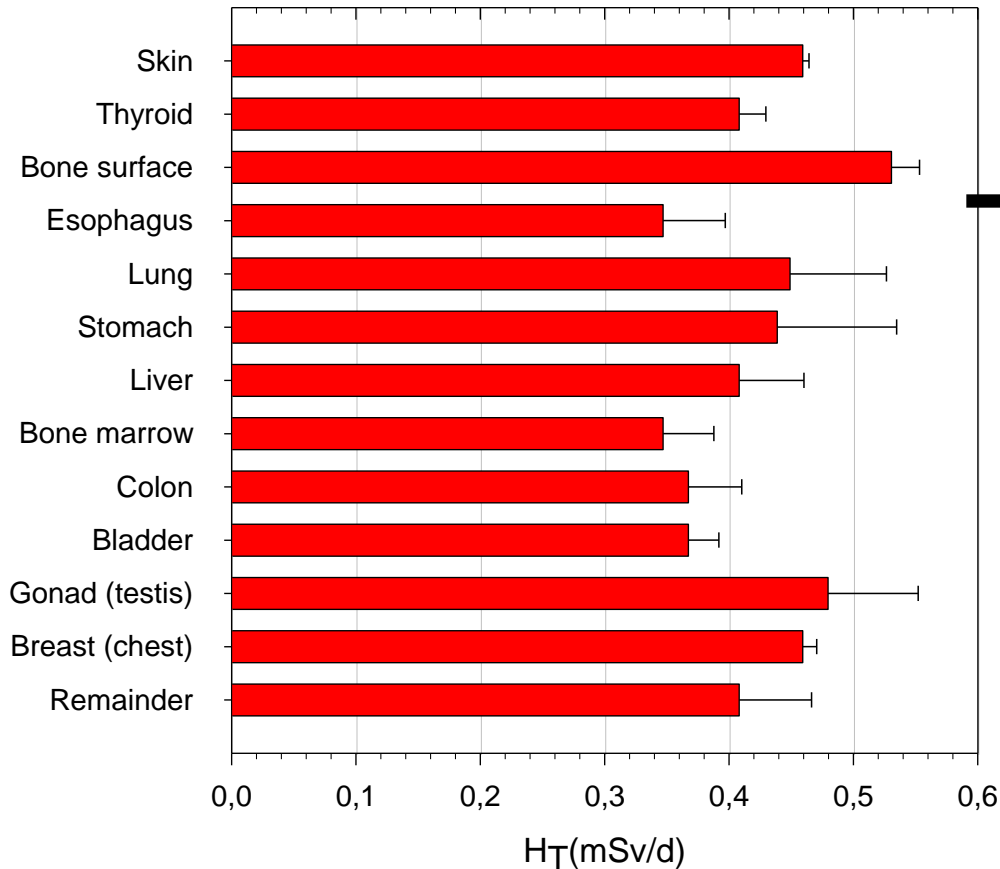
Data provided by: E. Semones, NASA, JSC

# RESULTS: Organ absorbed dose STS-91 June 1998 – TLD + CR-39



Yashuda H., Badhwar G.D., Komiyama T., Fujikata K., (2000), Effective Dose Equivalent on the Ninth Shuttle MIR Mission (STS-91), Radiat. Res. 154 (6), 705 – 713

# RESULTS: STS-91 June 1998 : Effective Dose E



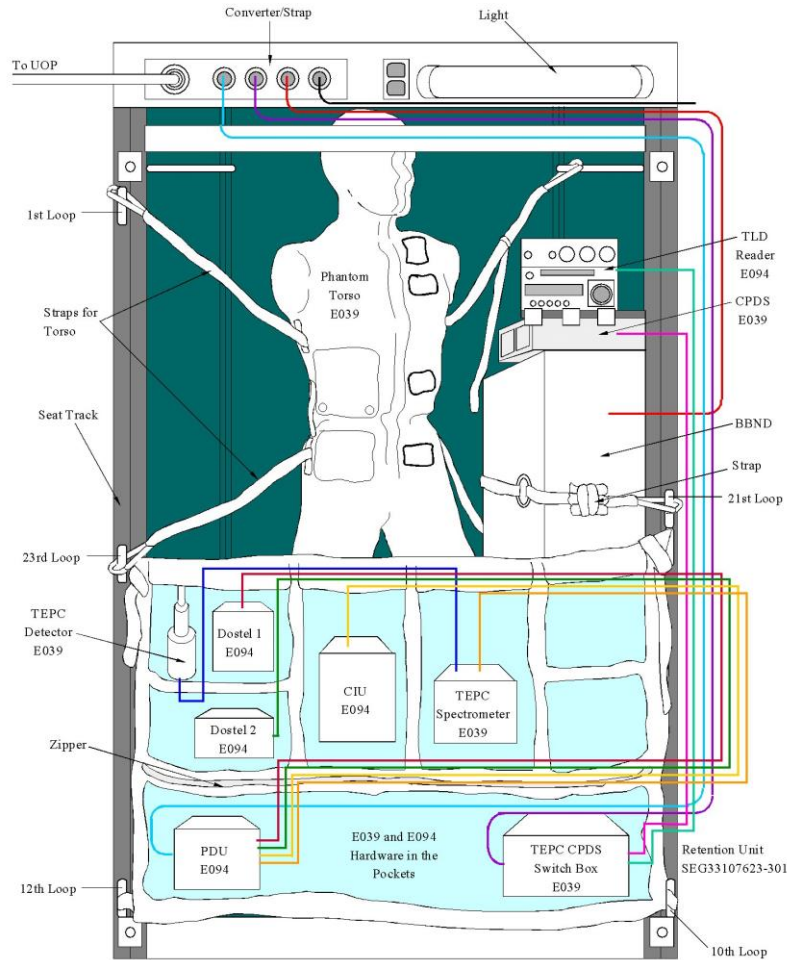
$$E = \sum_T w_T \bar{H}_T$$

$$E = 0.41 \pm 0.2 \text{ mSv/d}$$

$$(H(\text{Skin}) = 0.45 \pm 0.005 \text{ mSv/d})$$

$$\text{Ratio: } H(\text{Skin}) / E = 1.1$$

# ISS 2001 : Fred – 2



NOTE: Colored cables (shown separate for clarity) will be bundled, will run down the seat track, and will flow through the pockets of the retention unit.



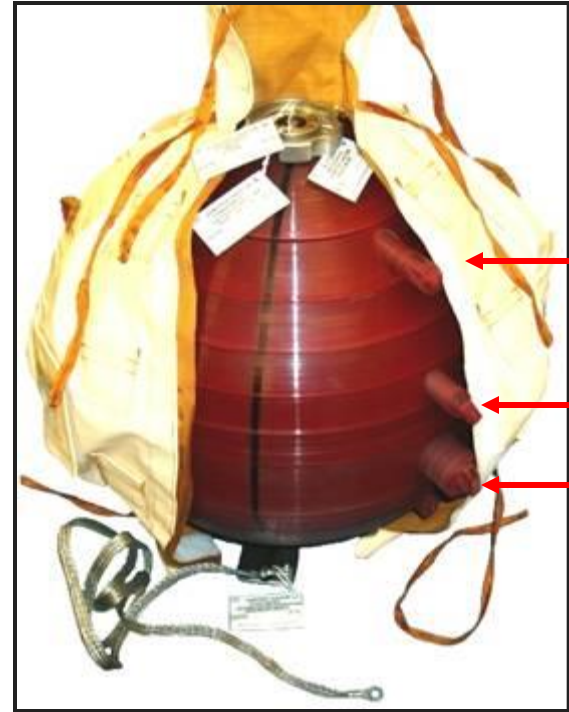
<b>Fred on ISS</b>	
<b>Duration (days)</b>	<b>123 (04-2001/08-2001)</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>US LAB</b>

Cucinotta, F., Myung-Hee Y. Kim, M., Willingham V., George, K., Radiation Research 170, 127–138 (2008)

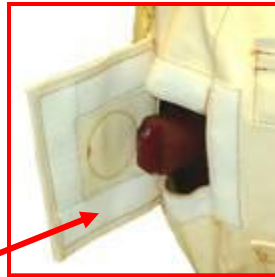
Yasuda, H., J. Radiat. Res., 50, 89–96 (2009)

# SPHERICAL TISSUE-EQUIVALENT PHANTOM

Size: 370x370x390 mm; mass: 32 kg



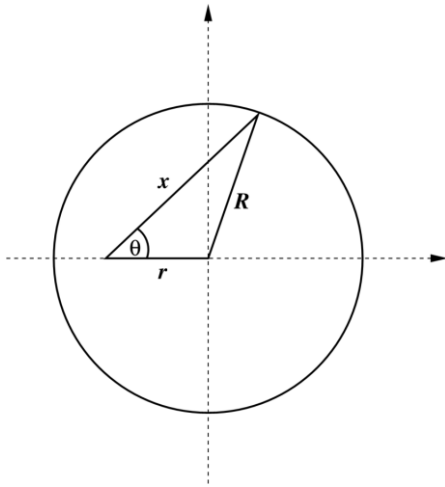
Working jacket with  
LiF TLDs and  
CR-39 in pockets



Container

Containers

# Mean Shielding in a Water Sphere



$R$  = radius of the sphere

$r$  = distance from the center of the sphere

$x$  = path-length through the sphere

$$x(r, \theta) = r \cdot \cos(\theta) + \sqrt{r^2 \cdot \cos^2(\theta) + R^2 - r^2}$$

$$\bar{x}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \int_0^\pi d\theta \sin(\theta) \cdot x(r, \theta)$$

$\Rightarrow$  mean shielding :  $\bar{d}(r) = \rho \cdot \bar{x}(r)$

density  $\rho = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$

center of the sphere:  $r = 0 \rightarrow \bar{x} = R$

edge of the sphere:  $r = R \rightarrow \bar{x} = R/2$

$R = 25 \text{ cm}$ :  $12.5 \text{ g/cm}^2 - 25 \text{ g/cm}^2$

$R = 20 \text{ cm}$ :  $10 \text{ g/cm}^2 - 20 \text{ g/cm}^2$

$R = 15 \text{ cm}$ :  $7.5 \text{ g/cm}^2 - 15 \text{ g/cm}^2$

Mean organ shielding:

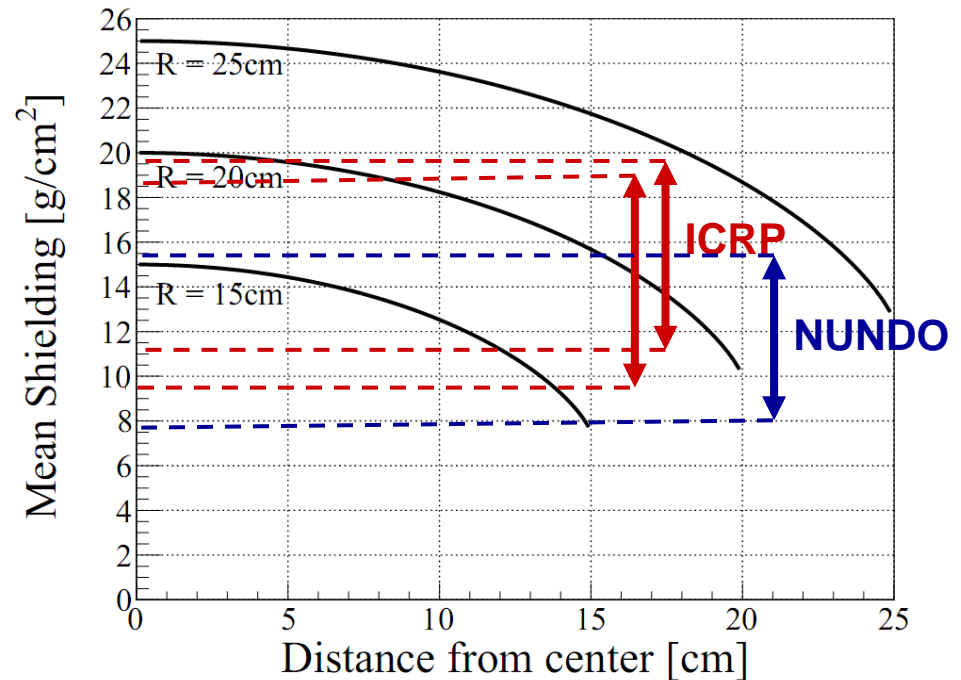
ICRP – Phantom:

Male:  $10.5 - 19.1 \text{ g/cm}^2$

Female:  $8.8 - 18.4 \text{ g/cm}^2$

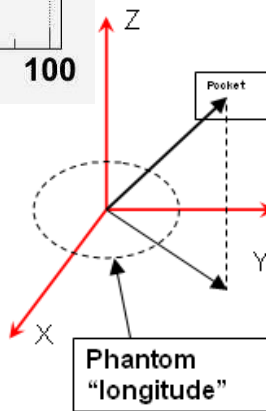
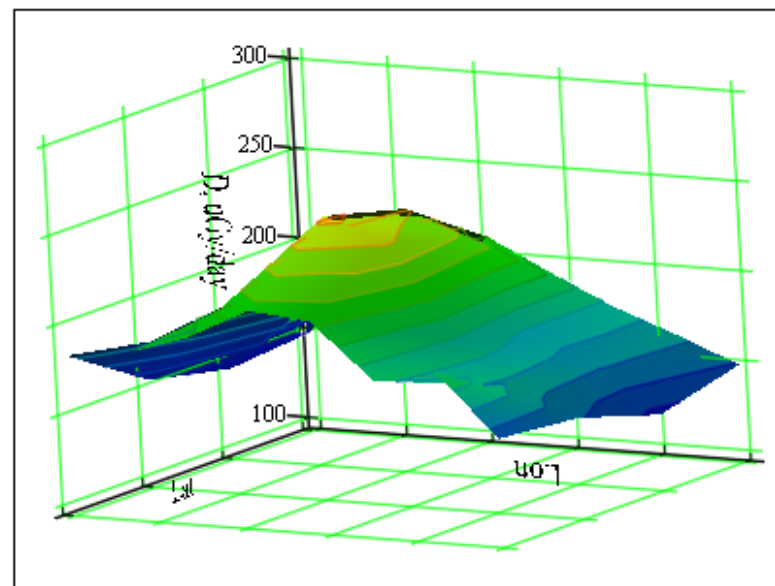
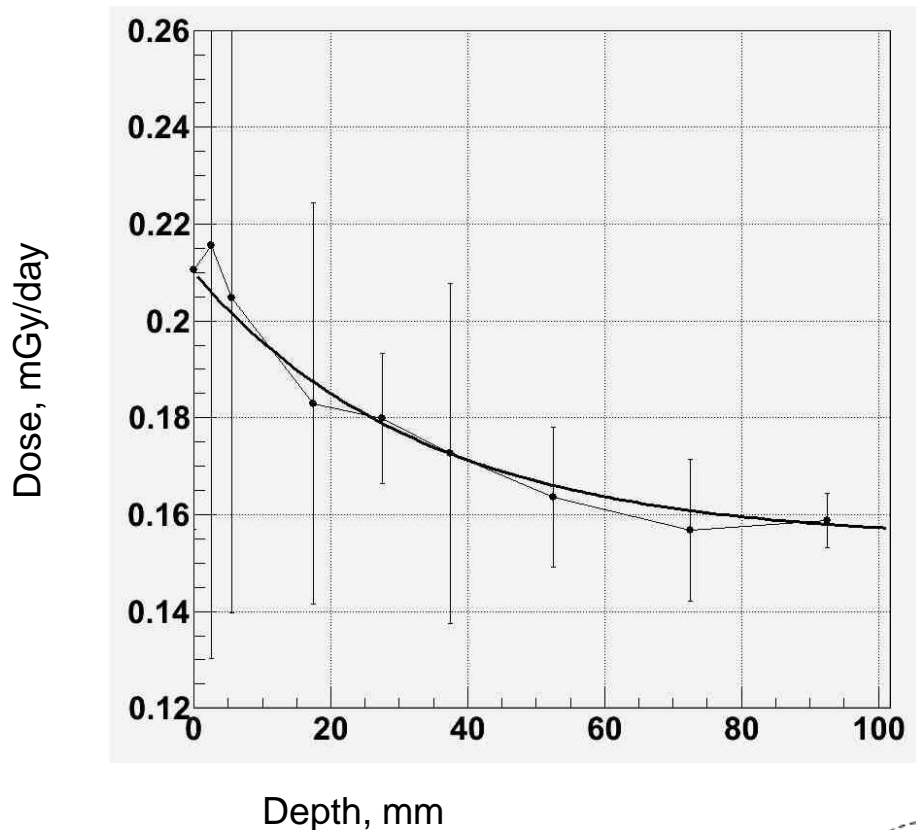
NUNDO – Phantom:

$7.7 - 15.5 \text{ g/cm}^2$



# Surface dose and dose as a function of depth in the phantom

Crew quarter (session 2, 425 day)



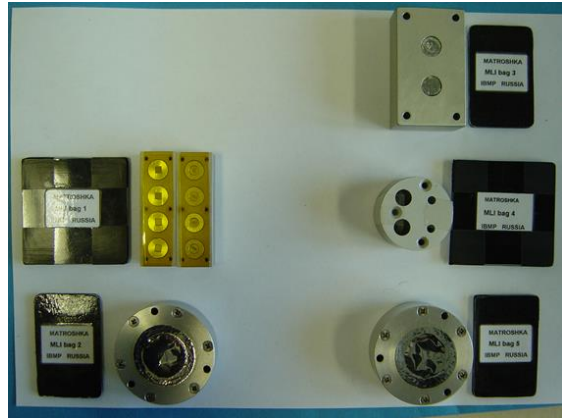
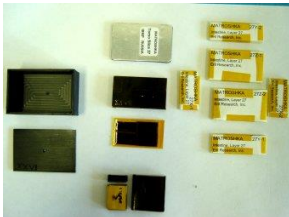
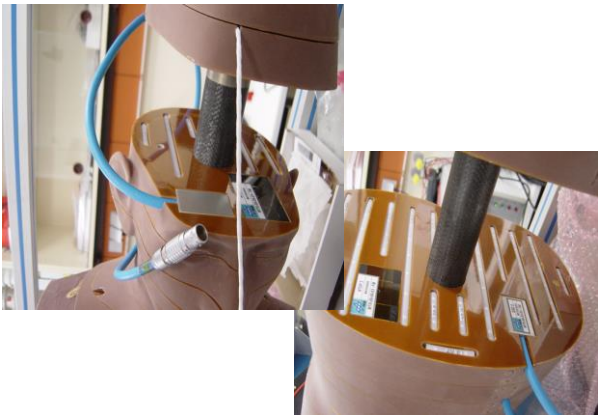
$$D_{\text{mean-surface}} = 211 \mu\text{Gy/day}$$

$$D_{\text{min}} = 137$$

$$D_{\text{max}} = 253$$

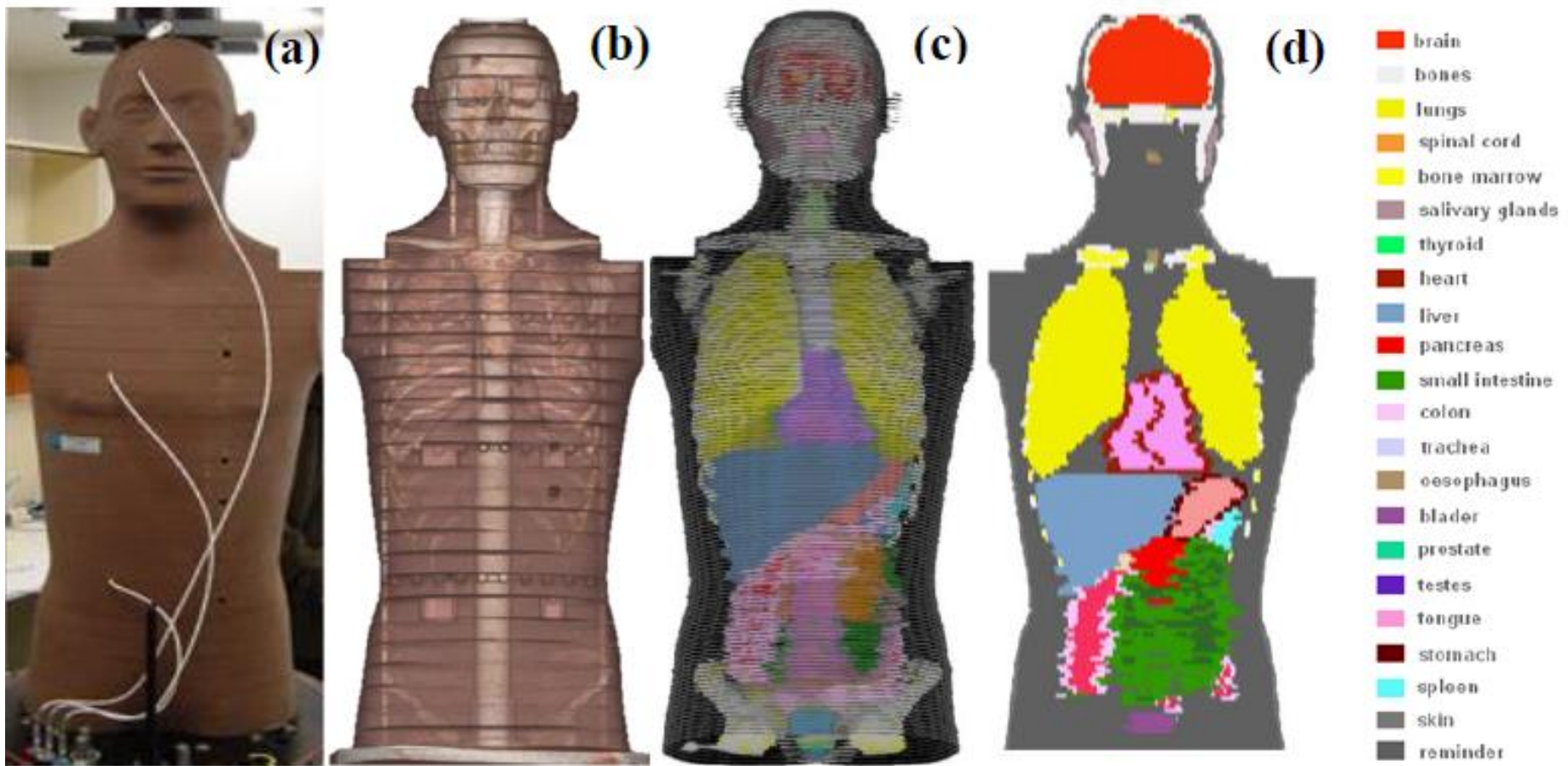
$$D_{\text{max}}/D_{\text{min}} = 1.9$$

# MATROSHKA Experiment



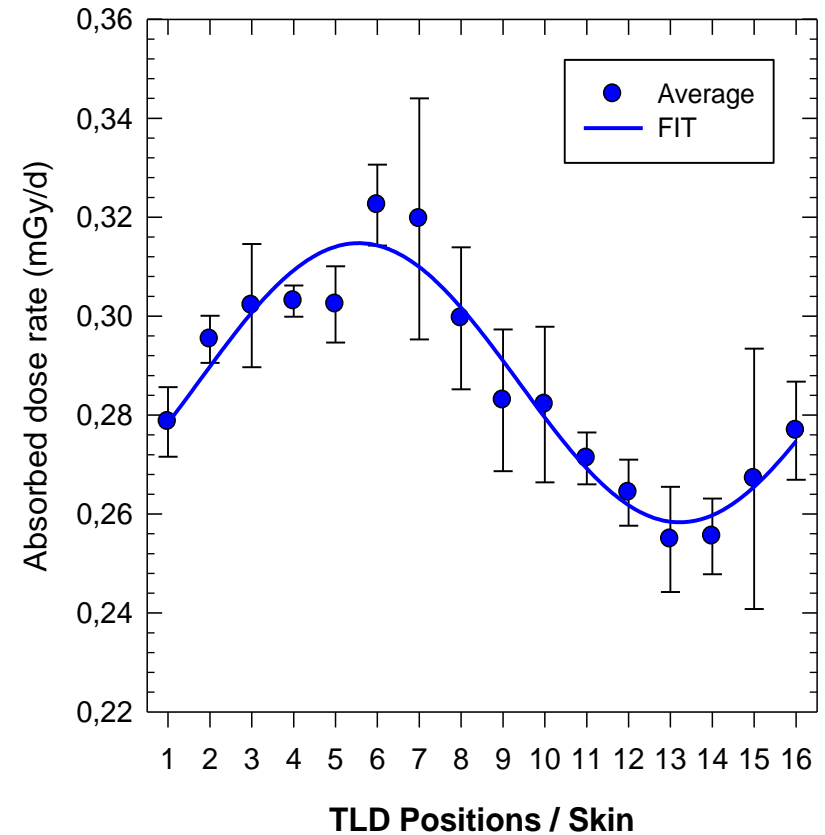
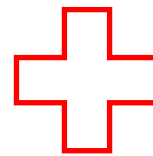
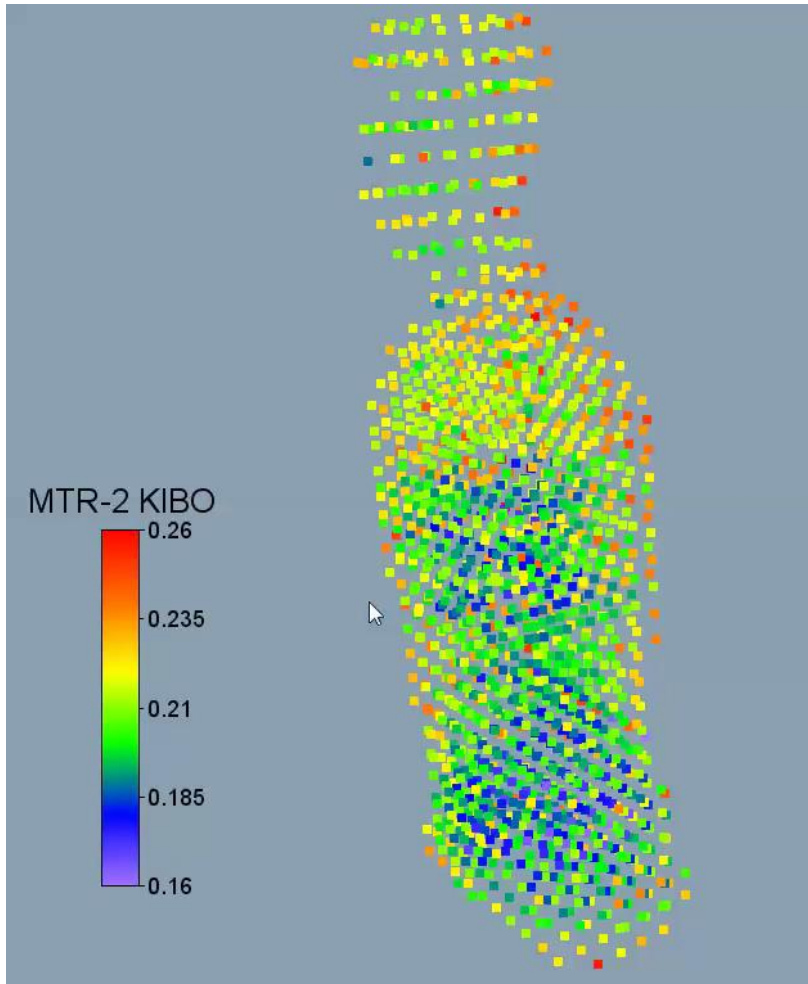


# Modeling of the Numerical RANDO phantom (NUNDO)



The front view of RANDO phantom; **(b)** CT scan of RANDO phantom, **(c)** and **(d)** the numerical voxel phantom NUNDO. NOTE to **(c)** and **(d)**: Organs and tissues are represented by different colors. Not all organs are visible.

# MTR-2 KIBO: Results / 3D Dose Distribution and Skin Dose



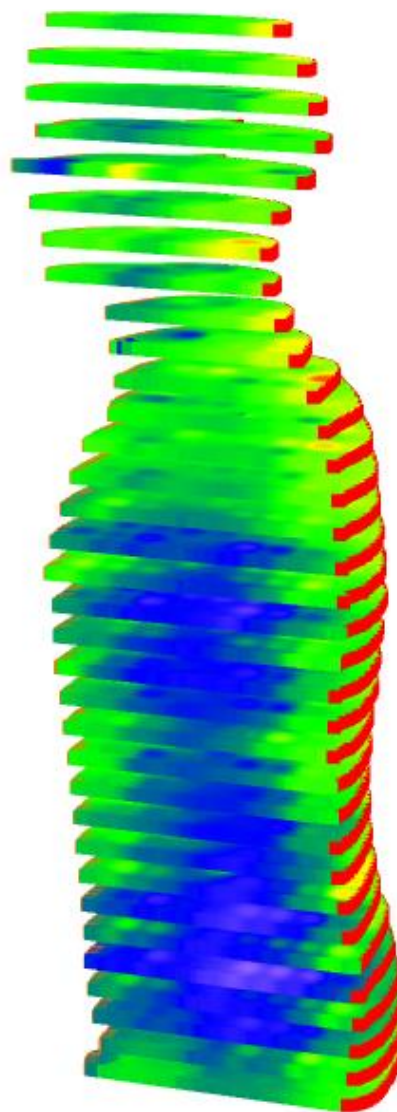
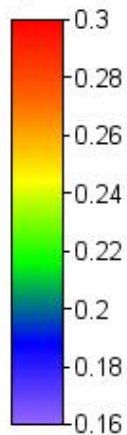
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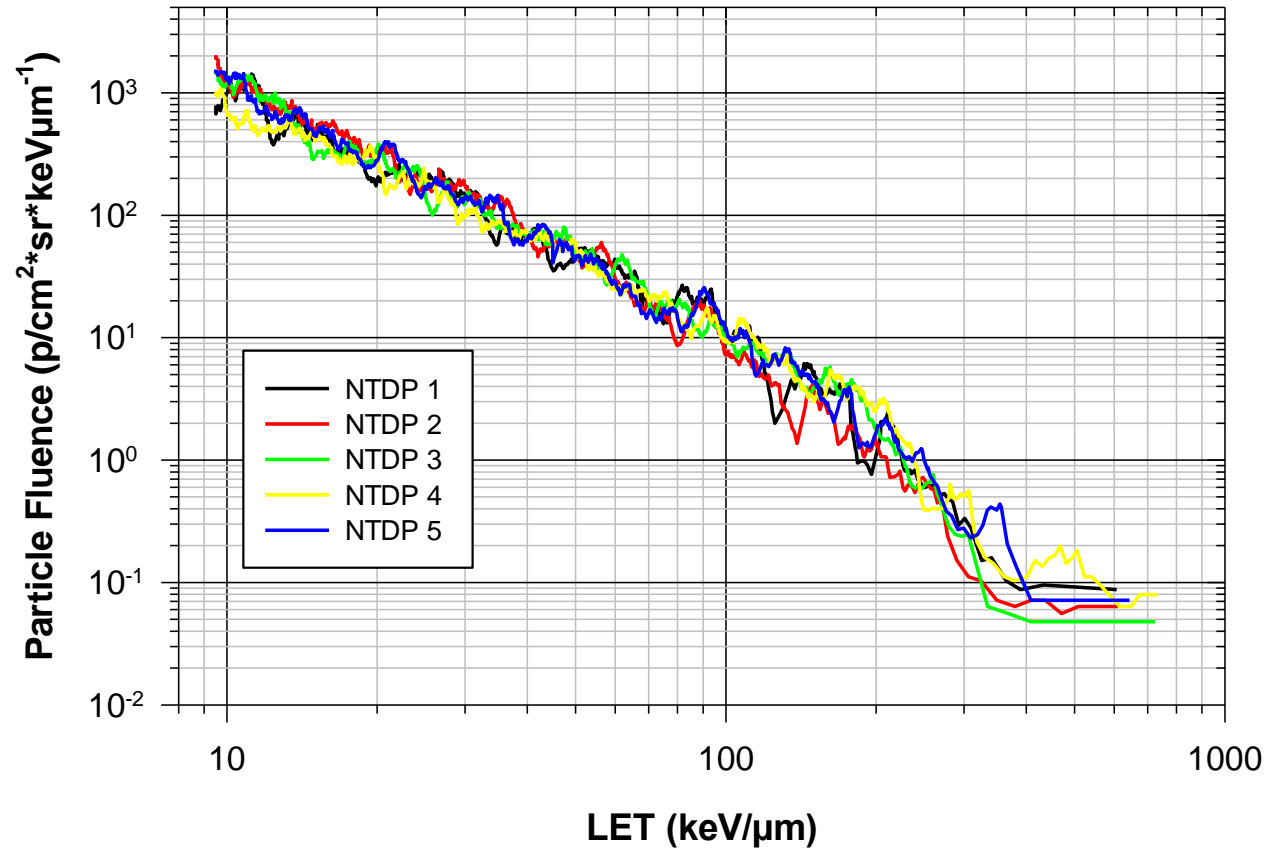
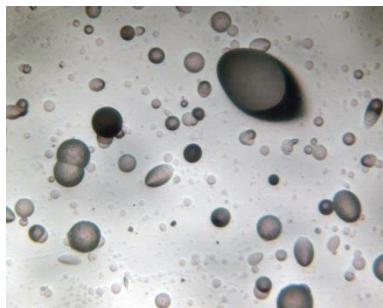
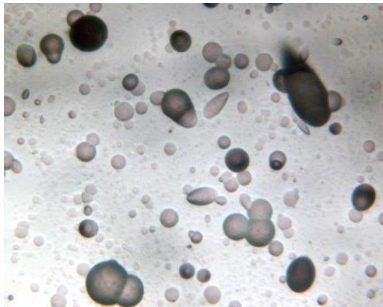
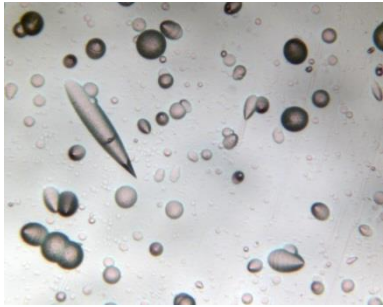


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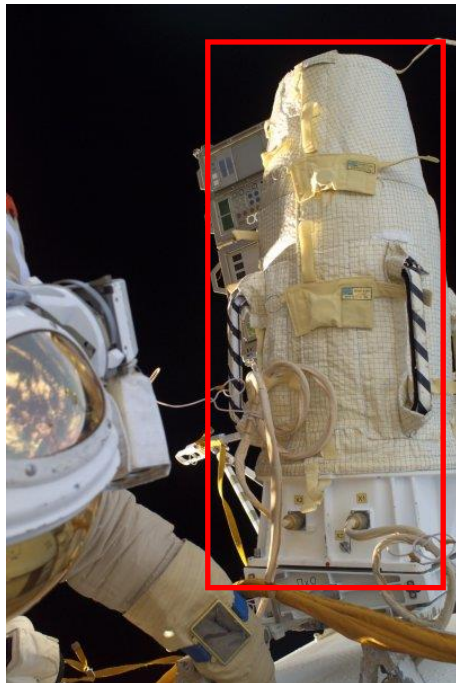
Dose (mGy/d)



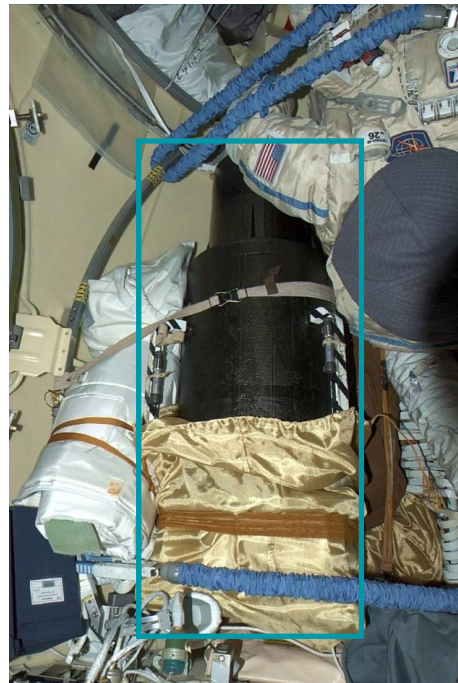
# MTR-2 KIBO: Results / CR-39 (DLR)



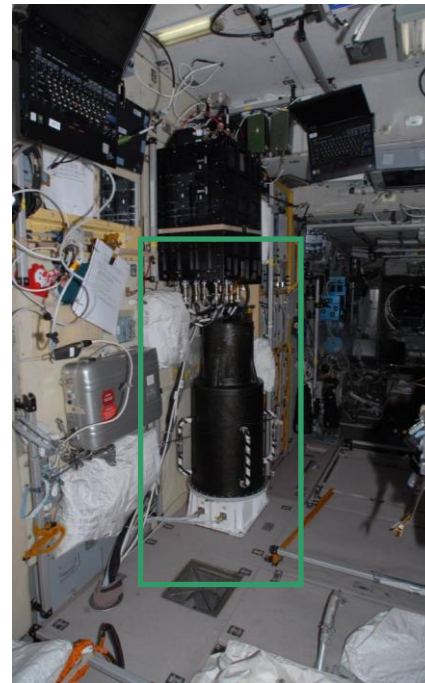
# MATROSHKA: Comparison



**MTR-1**  
(2004–05)  
**539 days**



**MTR-2A**  
(2006)  
**337 days**



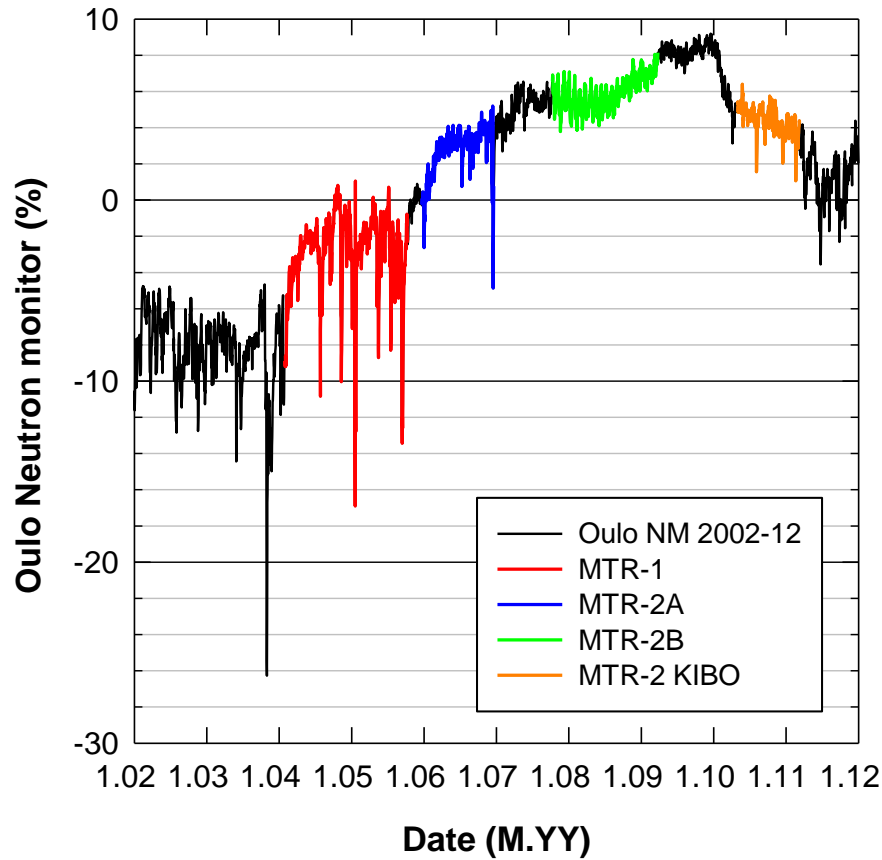
**MTR-2B**  
(2007–09)  
**518 days**



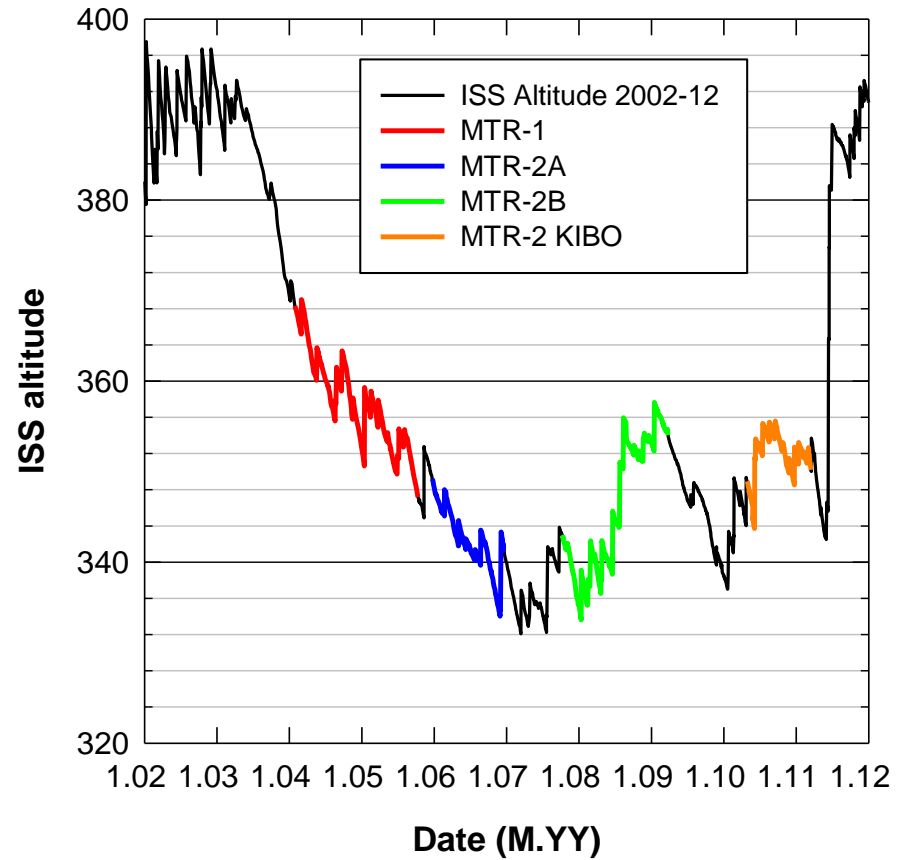
**MTR-2 KIBO**  
(2010–11)  
**310 days**

# MATROSHKA Environmental Parameters

## Oulu Neutron Monitor

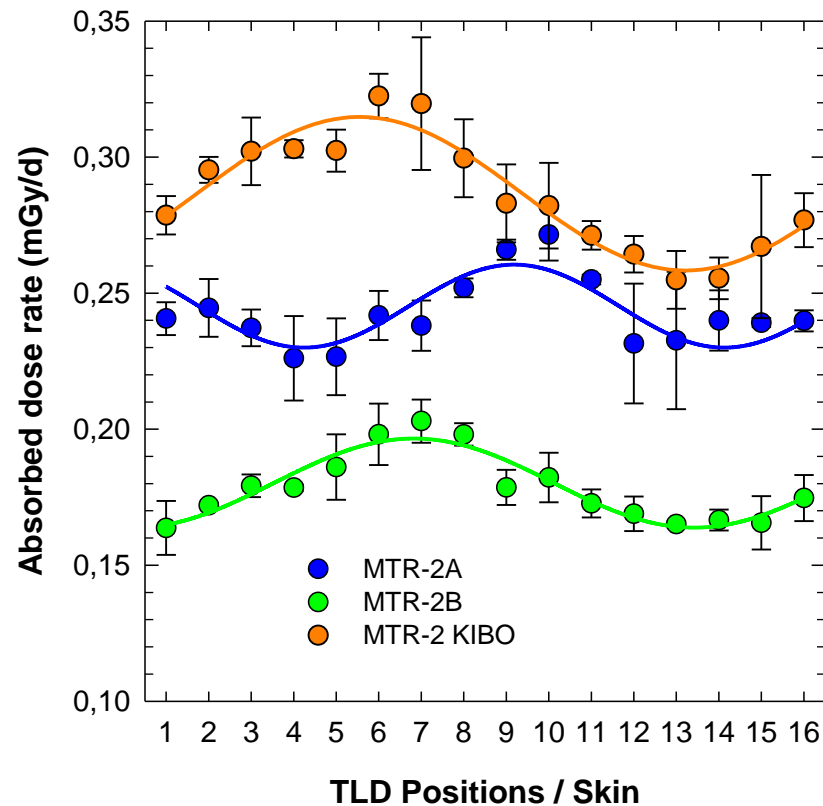
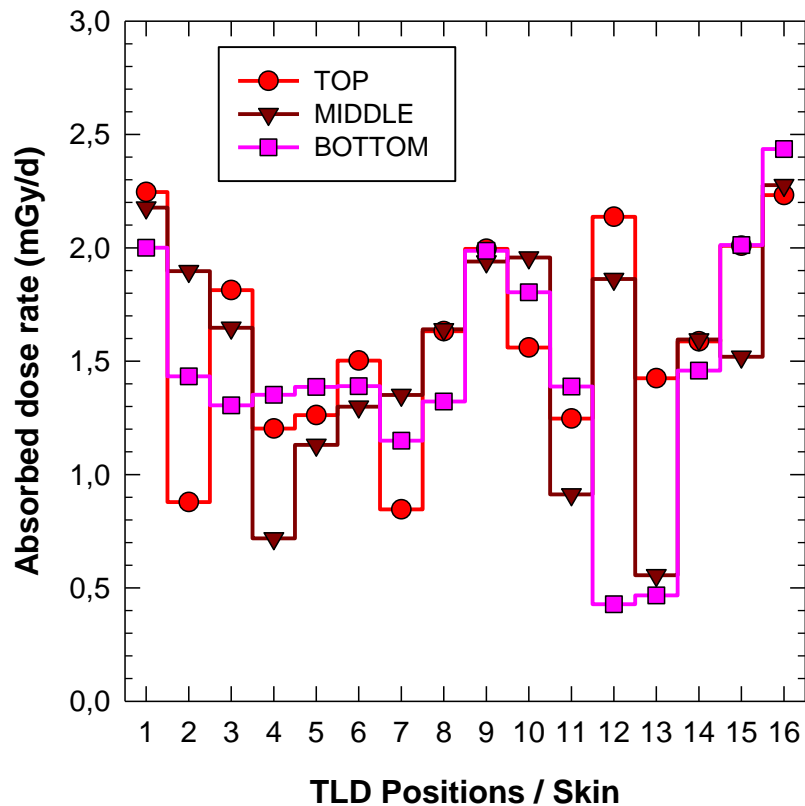


## ISS Altitude

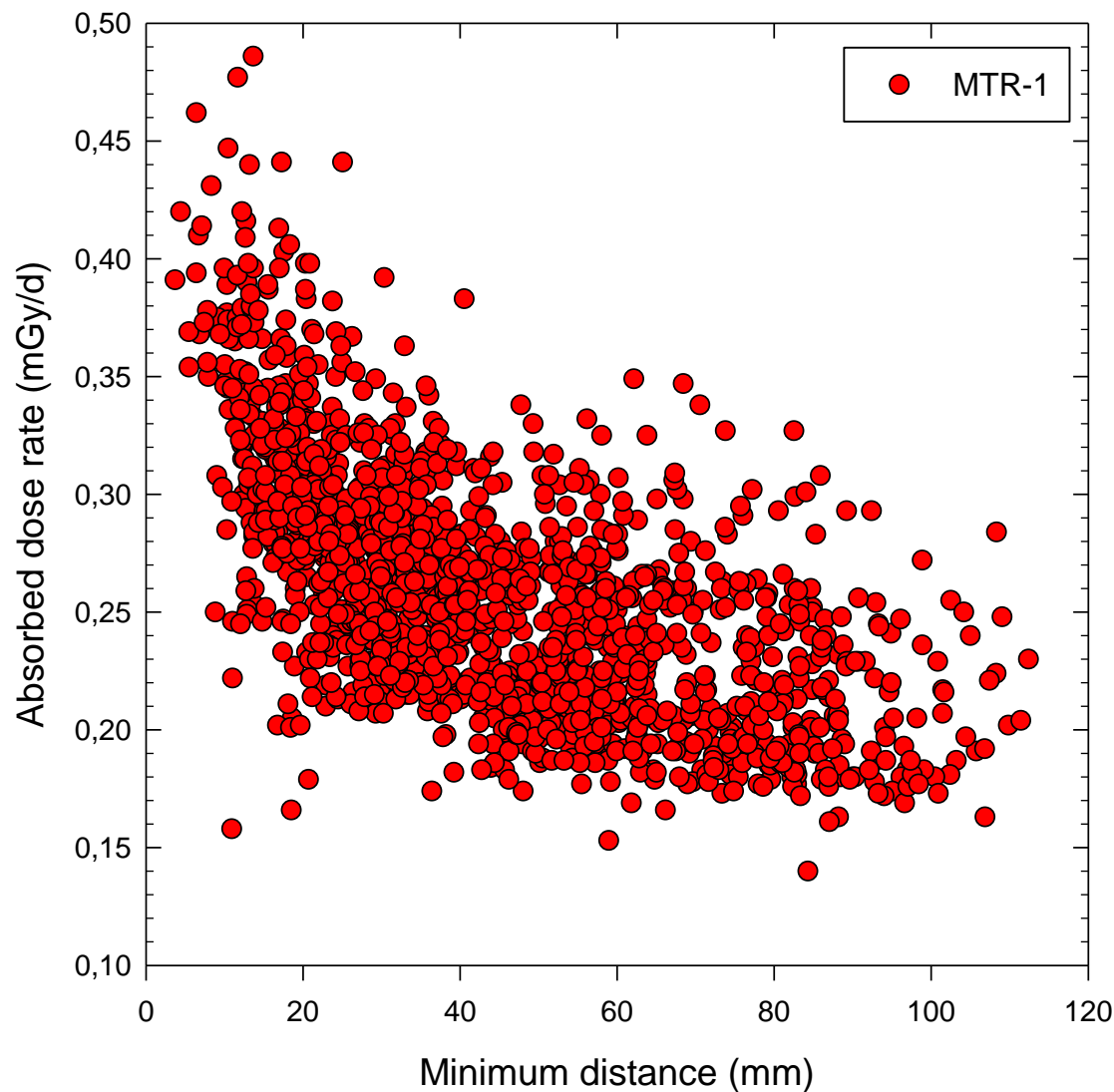


# MATROSHKA: Comparison I → Skin

- MTR-1
- MTR-2A
- MTR-2B
- MTR-2 KIBO

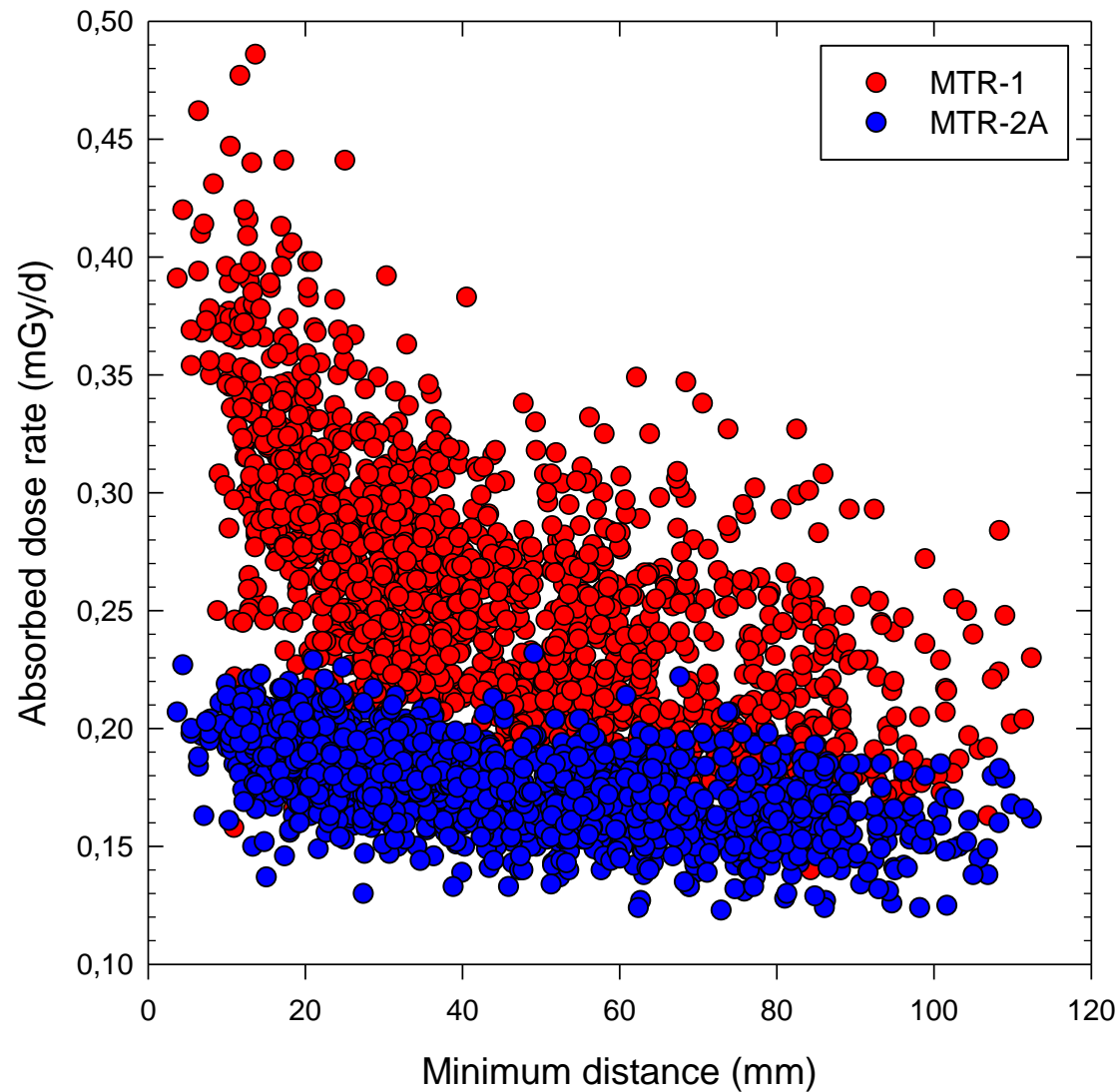


# MATROSHKA: Comparison III → Depth Dose Distribution

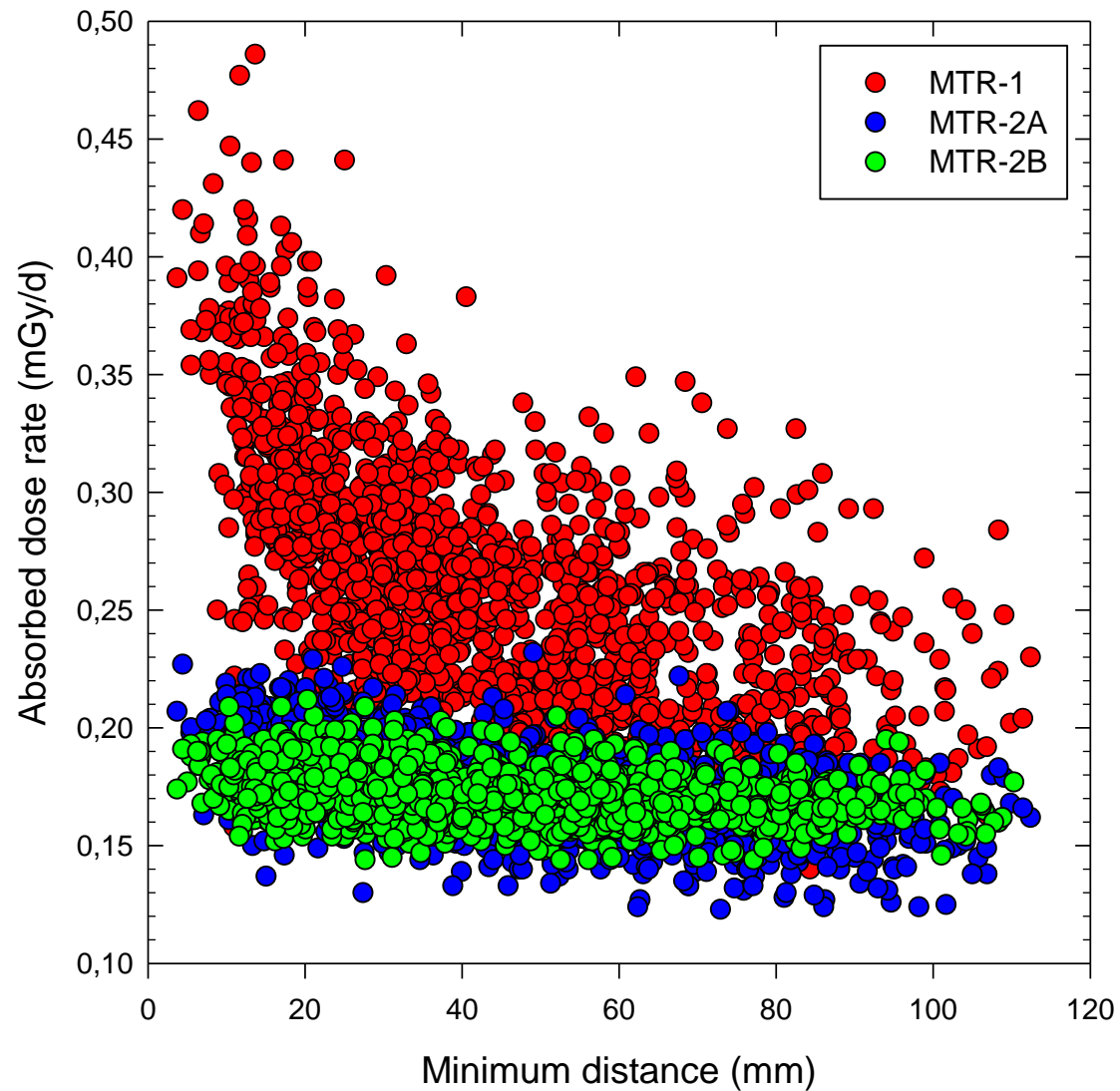




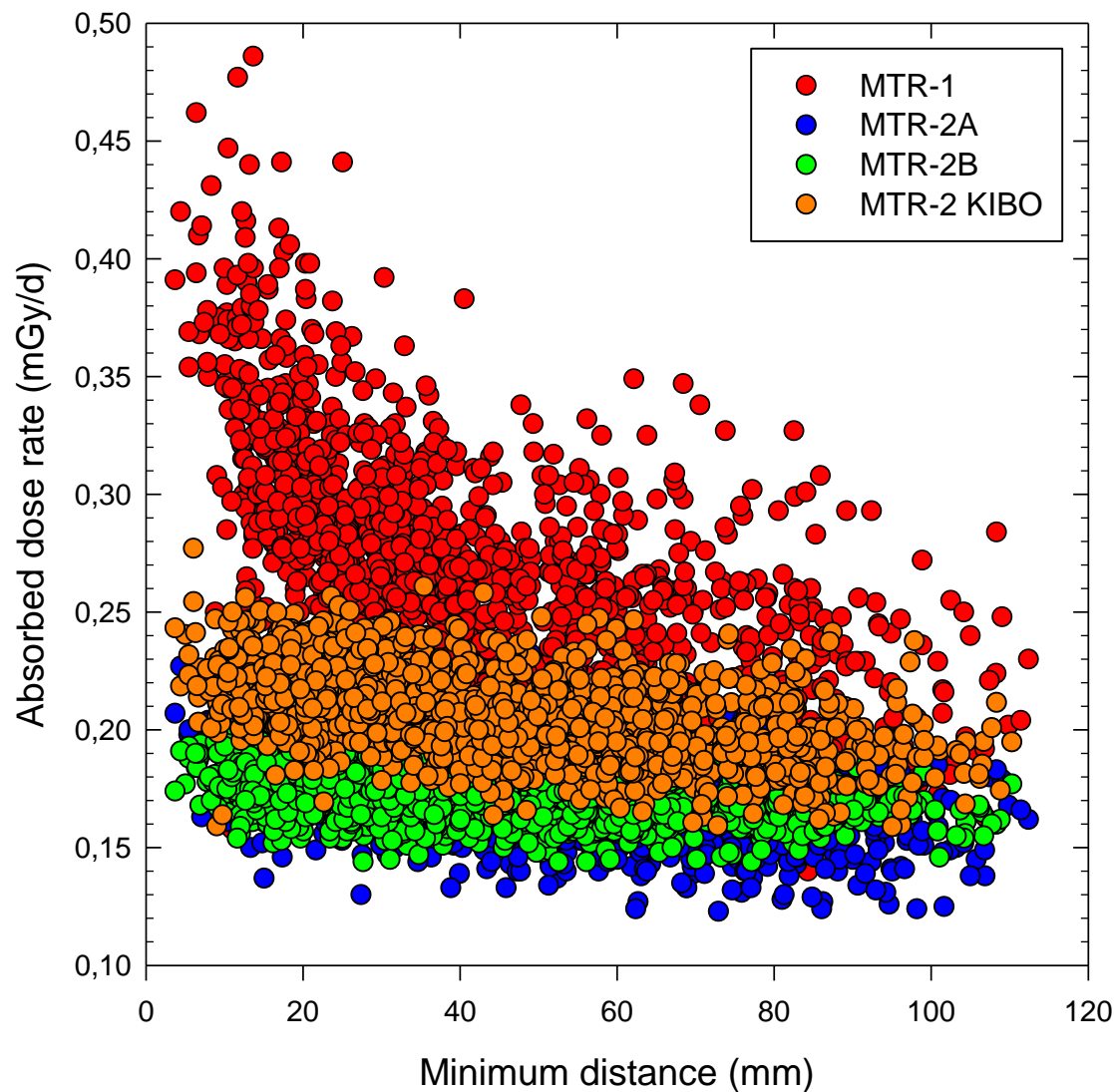
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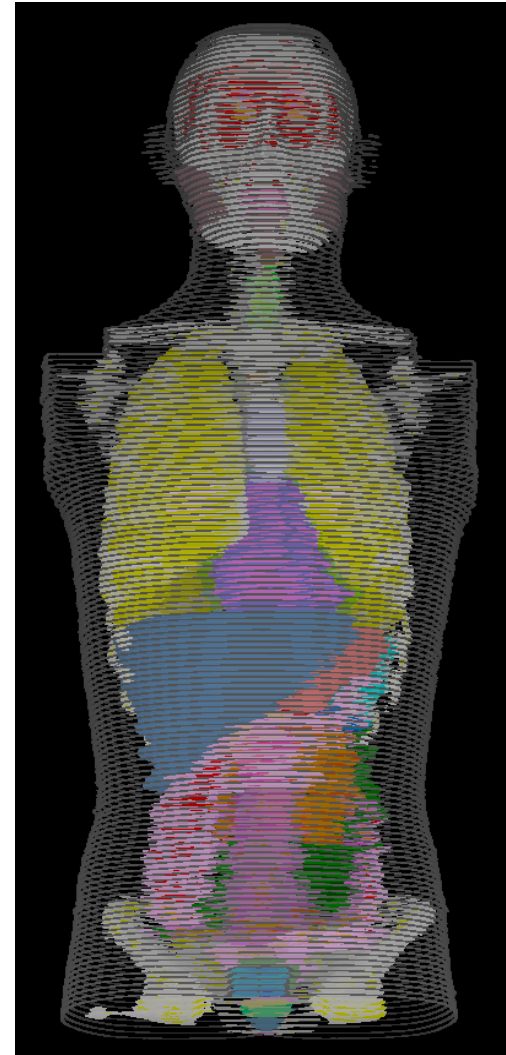
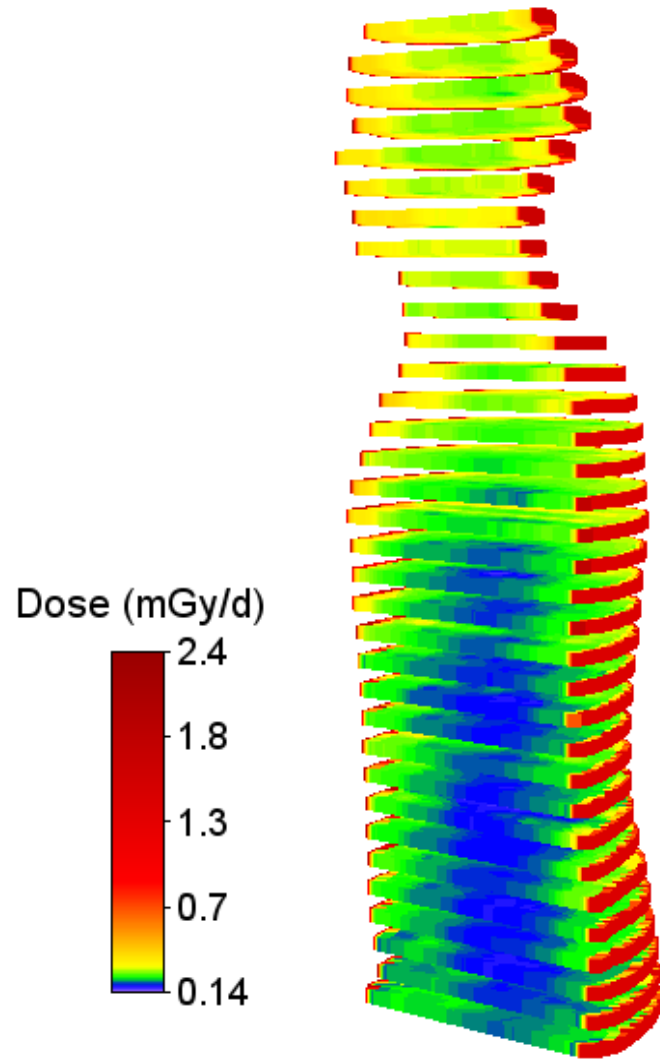
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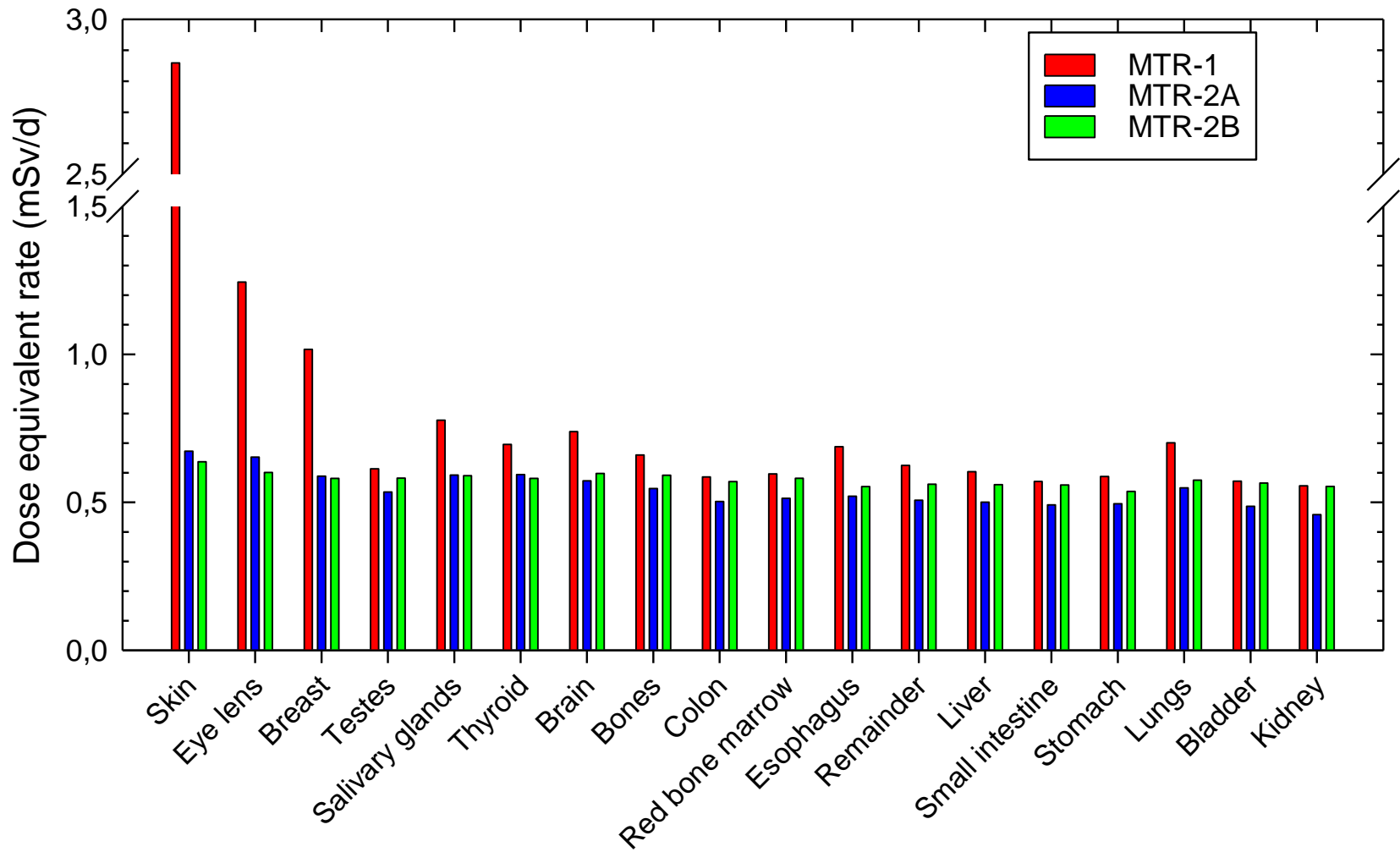
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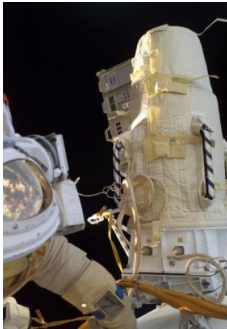
# MATROSHKA: Organ dose equivalent




# MATROSHKA: Organ Dose Equivalents



# MATROSHKA results: Outside versus Inside Exposure

<b>MTR – 1</b>	
	<b>mSv/d</b>
<b>E</b>	<b><math>0.72 \pm 0.04</math></b>
Personal Dosemeter (PD) <b>H</b>	<b><math>3.02 \pm 0.45</math></b>
<b>H / E</b>	<b>4.2</b>

<b>MTR – 2A</b>	
	<b>mSv/d</b>
<b>E</b>	<b><math>0.55 \pm 0.03</math></b>
Personal Dosemeter (PD) <b>H</b>	<b><math>0.64 \pm 0.03</math></b>
	<b>1.15</b>

Overestimation of Effective dose by Personal Dose measurements  
 for IVA by a factor of 1.15  
 in an EVA by a factor of 4.2

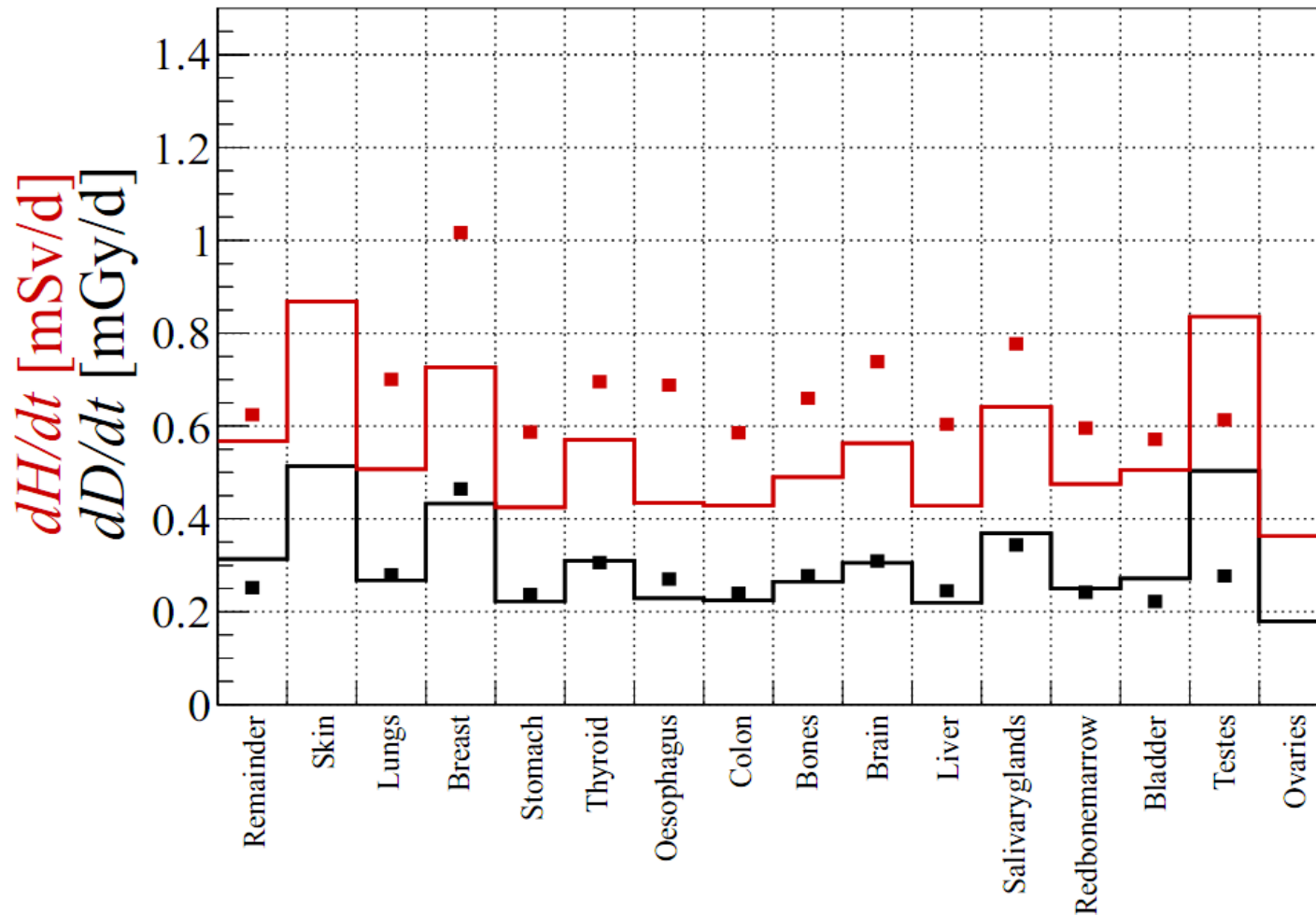
# Neutron Doses Measured in MATROSHKA

Applying mean dose-per-count data to measured neutron count data provides final dose results:

Phase	$E_{ISO}$ (mSv) <sup>(a)</sup>	Dose Rate ( $\mu$ Sv/d) <sup>(a)</sup>	$H_p(10, ISO)$ (mSv) <sup>(b)</sup>	Dose Rate ( $\mu$ Sv/d) <sup>(b)</sup>
<b>MTR-1</b>	48 (23) <sup>(c)</sup>	78 (37) <sup>(c)</sup>	58 (28) <sup>(c)</sup>	94 (45) <sup>(c)</sup>
<b>MTR-2A</b>	53 (17) <sup>(c)</sup>	145 (46) <sup>(c)</sup>	65 (21) <sup>(c)</sup>	177 (57) <sup>(c)</sup>
<b>MTR-2B</b>	44 (14) <sup>(c)</sup>	106 (34) <sup>(c)</sup>	53 (17) <sup>(c)</sup>	127 (41) <sup>(c)</sup>

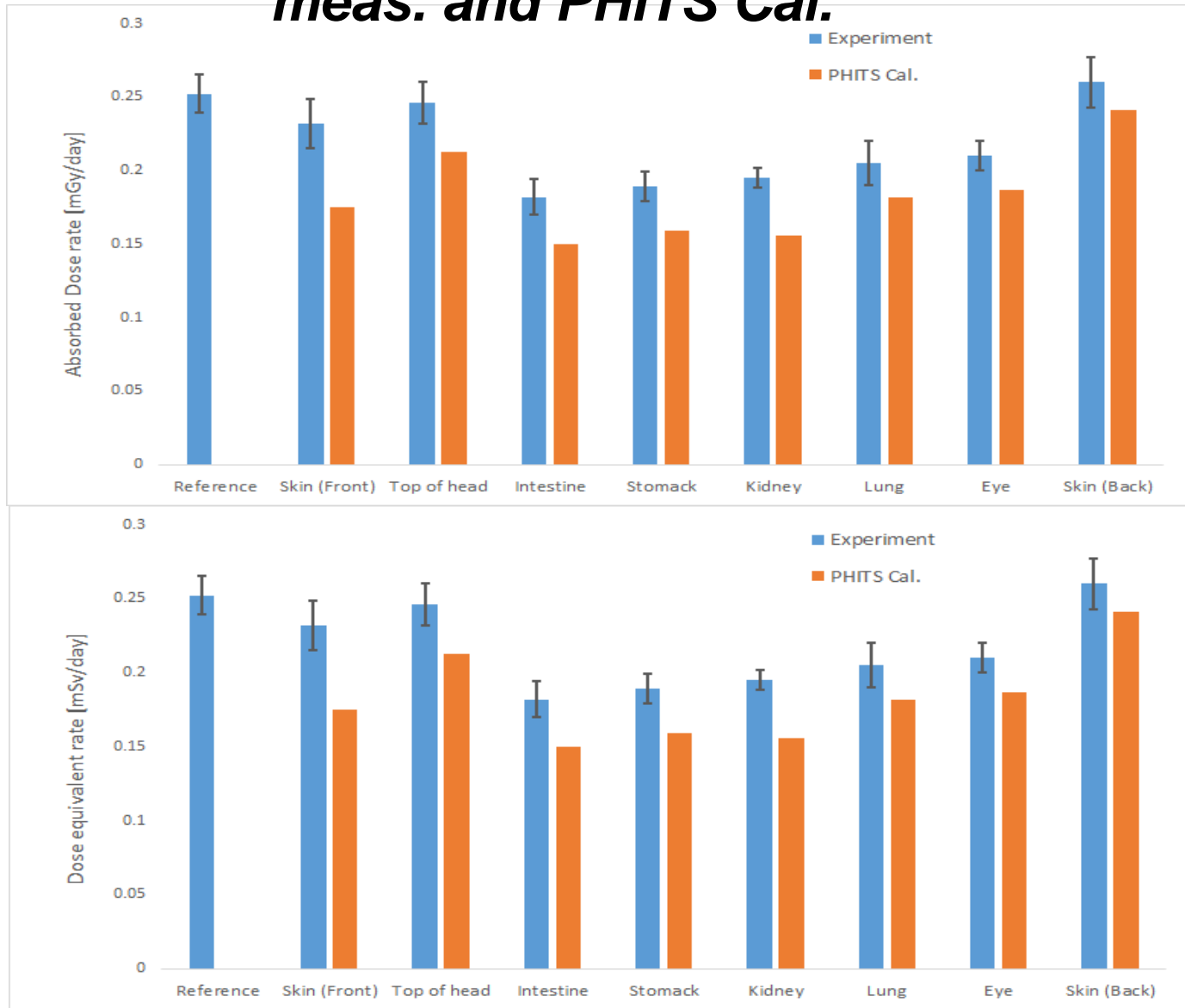
- a) Using  $E_{ISO}$  calibration of 120 (14) mSv<sup>-1</sup>  
 b) Using  $H_p(10, ISO)$  calibration of 99 (12) mSv<sup>-1</sup>  
 c) Combined standard uncertainty

# MTR-1 Absorbed Dose and Dose equivalent rate – Calculation (1g/cm<sup>2</sup> shielding) and Measurements





# MATROSHKA\_KIBO Benchmark evaluation between actual meas. and PHITS Cal.



# Summary

The different phantom experiments show that inside spacecrafts the ratio between skin dose and the effective dose equivalent is between 10 and 15%.

MATROSHKA was the first phantom experiment providing measurements outside and inside the ISS (<http://www.fp7-hamlet.eu>). The ratio skin dose and effective dose equivalent is about a factor of 4 for an outside exposure.

An increase in dose equivalent in the inner organs has not been observed, except measurements in the FRED phantom inside Shuttle showed a slight increase of absorbed dose close to the bone marrow.

Depending on shielding distributions chosen, model calculations agree very well for absorbed dose, and underestimate slightly for dose equivalent.

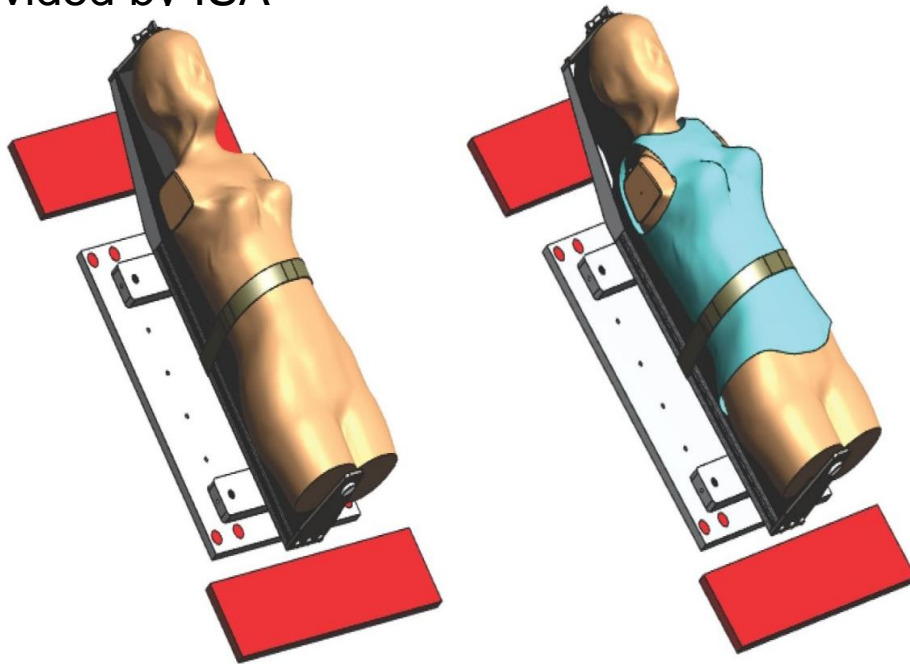
Comprehensive database was provided as input for radiation transport calculations / benchmarking of radiation transport codes.

MATROSHKA will be refurbished for the ISS with new active detectors inserted (Silicon detector telescope, 3D silicon detectors, Timepix). Two new MATROSHKA female phantoms will be flown in the NASA Orion Program (MARE).

# ORION EM-1 [MATROSHKA AstroRad Radiation Experiment [MARE]]

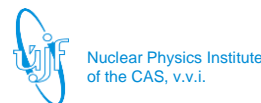


The two MARE phantoms / one phantom fitted with the AstroRad PPE manufactured by StemRad & provided by ISA



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