Publications and projects

Recent Published papers


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Exploiting biological and physical determinants of radiotherapy toxicity to individualise treatment.

Defining robustness protocols: a method to include and evaluate robustness in clinical plans.

Evaluating competing and emerging technologies for stereotactic body radiotherapy and other advanced radiotherapy techniques.

Long-term outcome of CT based image-guided brachytherapy for cervix cancer using the tandem-ring applicator.

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PhD awarded by the University of Cambridge 2009.
Supervisors: Neil Burnet, Simon Thomas, Andrew Hoole.

Mark Cowen.
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Supervisors Simon Thomas, Neil Burnet.

Stacey McGowen.
“Incorporation of Range Uncertainty into Proton Treatment Planning.”
PhD awarded by University of Cambridge 2015.
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Sam Tudor.
“Ensuring dosimetric coverage of radiotherapy treatment volumes”.
PhD awarded by University of Cambridge 2016.
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Supervisor: Simon Thomas.

Leila Shelley. 
“Dose-Toxicity Analysis of Rectal and Salivary Toxicity in Patients receiving Radiotherapy within the VoxTox Research Programme” 
Supervisors: Michael Sutcliffe, Simon Thomas, Neil Burnet.