

## Über Faktoren, die die Strahlenreaktion von Zellen beeinflussen

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Relevant organisations in radiological protection: ICRP, UNSCEAR, IAEA, plus the European radiation research platforms





**MELODI Strategic Research Agenda topics** 

Strategic Research Agenda of the Multidisciplinary European Low Dose Initiative (MELODI) – 2019



### Selected topics from the Strategic Research Agenda

- Effects of spatial and temporal variation in dose delivery
- Dose and dose-rate dependence of cancer risk
- Individual variation in cancer risk



## Major lines of radiobiology research at SU

Cellular effects of exposure to mixed beams of high and low LET radiation

### Cellular effects of changing dose rate

Cellular effects of very high dose rate

Our main sponsor

Strål säkerhets myndigheten svedish Radiation Safety Authority Individual variation in cancer risk









# The mixed beam exposure facility at the Stockholm Univerity

The <sup>241</sup>Am alpha irradiator – dose rate: 0.21 Gy/min





## 53BP1 foci in U2OS cells – dose response

#### Mixed beam-induced foci are more frequent than those induced by alphas The effect is strongest for small foci





## 53BP1-GFP foci in U2OS cells

#### Foci in fixed cells



Large focus (Complex damage)

#### Live image of foci identified by Image J Time: 0-80 min post irradiation, image every 60s





## Effect of mixed beams at low doses and low dose rates



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## **Cellular effects of changing dose rate**

**Motion experiments** 



The total dose is the same in all samples.



## Cellular effects of changing dose rate Filter experiment





## Cellular effects of changing dose rate Images of exposure facilities

0.15 Gy/min - 0.0042 Gy/min



#### 0.11 Gy/min - 0.0027 Gy/min



X-ray source



## Cellular effects of changing dose rate

The highest biological effect is always seen in cells which are exposed under conditions of a decreasing dose rate The effect has nothing to do with the adaptive response





## Effect of very high dose rate on gene expression in peripheral blood lymphocytes

#### High dose rate <sup>137</sup>Cs sources available at the Stockholm University



Gammacell 1000

# Effect of very high dose rate on gene expression in peripheral blood lymphocytes

#### Acute gamma radiation, various dose rates



## Acute alpha, X-ray and mixed beam exposure



Currently running experiments at > 10 Gy/min

### Individual and seasonal variability in response to radiation



In human peripheral blood lymphocytes the effect of mixed beam radiation is individually and seasonally variable



Dose response of relative mRNA level FDXR splice variant PP1 24 hours after exposure to X-rays (green), alpha particles (red) and mixed beams in PBL from donors 3 (left) and 4 (right) obtained on three different occasions

Frequencies of chromosomal aberrations are being scored as we speak

## Hans Langendorff



"Thus, Langendorff focused during his early years of radiobiology research on questions of great scientific interest, many aspects of which remain unanswered even today: mechanisms of cell proliferation, mitotic (cell) cycle, dose fractionation, inherent radiosensitivity, biological consequences of radiation such as cell death, chromosomal damage, recovery from radiation damage and most importantly the dependence of many of these effects on radiation quality".

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Radiobiology at the forefront: Hanns Langendorff and two of his disciples



**Christian Streffer** 



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## Essen, November 1991



Juli 1990 – September 1996