

Provision and Use of the Microbeam facility SNAKE for low dose research

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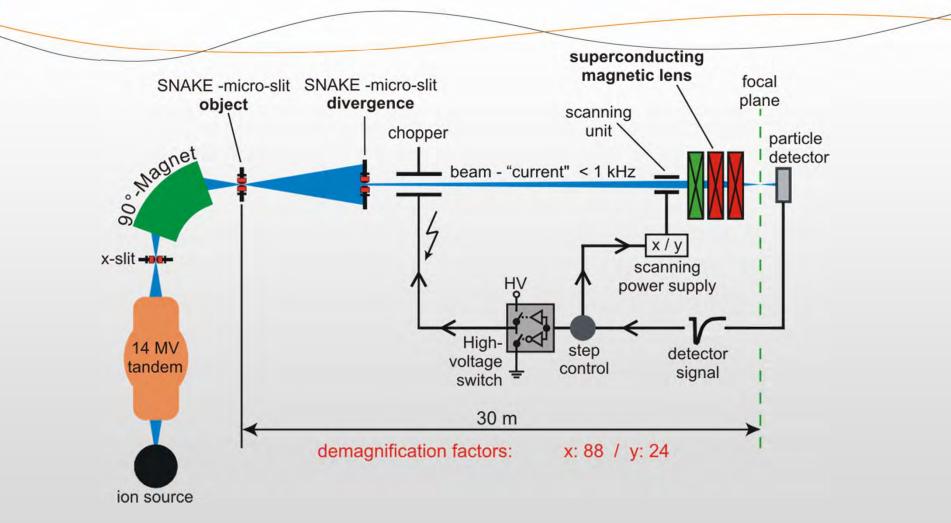
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SNAKE for cell microirradiation

<u>Superconducting Nanoscope for Applied nuclear (Kern-) physics Experiments</u> Hable et al. NIM B 267 (2009) 2090, Drexler et al, Rad. Oncology 10 (2015) 42

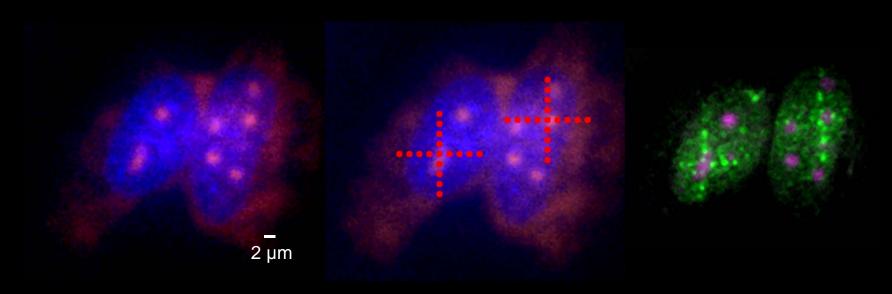


- Beam resolution ≈ 0.5 μm (fwhm)
- Single ion irradiation facility

- low LET: 20 MeV protons (2.6 keV/μm)
- high LET heavy ions (10 − 2000 keV/µm)

Irradiation of nucleoli

C. Siebenwirth et al, NIM B 348 (2015) 137



U2OS-MDC1-GFP cells, online @ SNAKE DNA (ToPro3)
Nukleoli and cytoplasm (Syto83)

Immuno-stained offline γ-H2AX Nukleoli (Syto83)

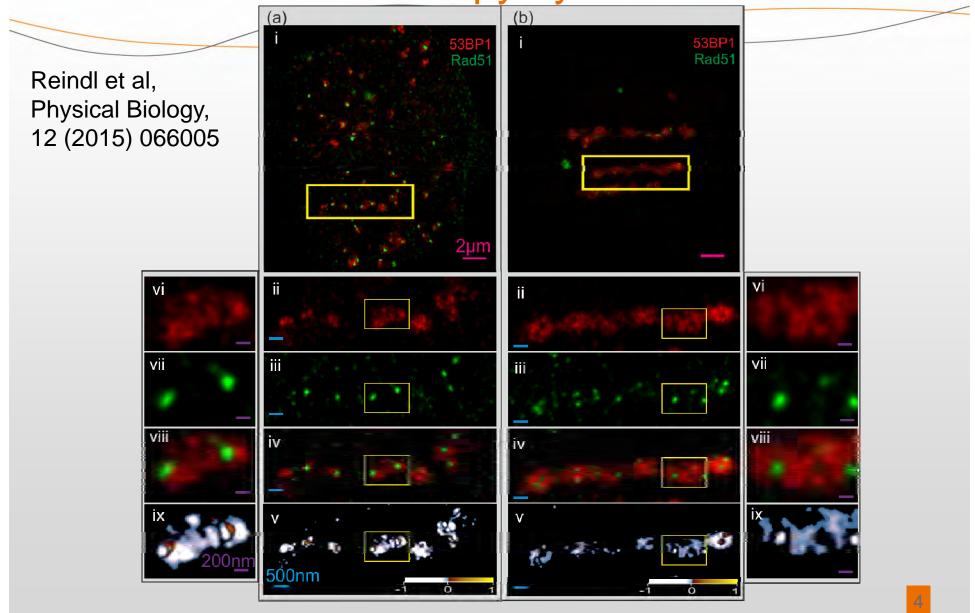
=> Targeting accuracy:

$$\Delta X = 0.4 \, \mu \text{m} \pm 0.7 \, \mu \text{m} \, (SD)$$

$$\Delta Y = -0.2 \ \mu m \pm 0.4 \ \mu m \ (SD)$$



Ultrahigh-Resolution Fluorescence microscopy by STED





Goals

Targeting substructures in cells:

- Cell nuclei
- Nucleoli

- Rim or center of nuclei
- Hetero- versus euchromatin

Questions to be addressed:

- Does the cell response depend on the location of DNA lesions?
- Does the fine structure of DNA repair foci tells us more about details of DNA repair?
- SNAKE offered for other users within CONCERT