Kyoto Kagaku New Lineup Multi-Energy CT Phantoms

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Multi-Energy CT (MECT) or Dual Energy CT (DECT) is a new frontier of rapidly advancing medical imaging, and now entering clinical practices in hospitals.

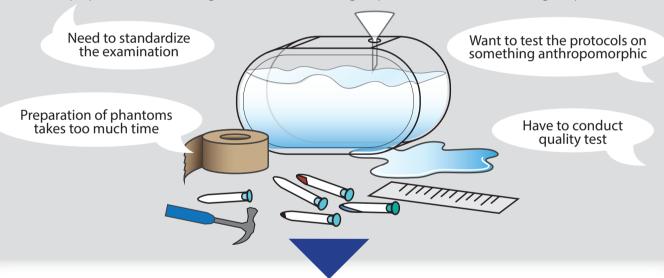
The technology enables material differentiation, elemental decomposition and material quantification. Such features are expected to bring us better diagnosis, improved image quality, reduction of radiation exposure, reduction of contrast agent volume and opens possibility of functional imaging.

Meanwhile, further studies are awaited in various field such as quality management of CT equipment, verification of protocols, expansion of clinical application, to derive the maximum benefits from the technology.

Kyoto Kagaku supports researchers and clinicians with up-to-date innovative phantoms.

BACKGROUND

In many MECT/DECT studies, water phantoms have been used. However, using real water can impose considerable work in preparation and handling. At the same time, using acrylic containers limits the design of phantoms.



New lineup of Kyoto Kagaku Multi-Energy CT phantoms assists you promptly, saving your time and energy



A variety of research samples can

be inserted using small containers.

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Sample product

Gout Foot Phantom

Head with MECT compatible arteries

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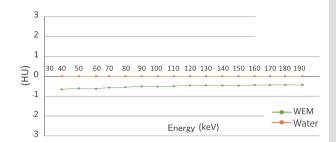
Vital factor for Multi-Energy-CT Phantom "Water Equivalent Material"



About Water Equivalent Material (WEM)

WEM has high equivalency to water in diagnostic energy ranges (40-190KeV)

Co-developed with; Professor Ichikawa Katsuhiro, Faculty of Health Sciences, Institute of Medical, Pharmaceutical and Health Sciences, Kanazawa University, Japan





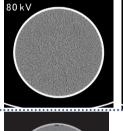
Experiment

in the CT images!!

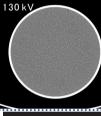
Place the material inserts on water tank



Nine rods of WEM are "invisible" under CT





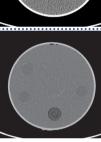


Rods are not shown



conventional materials

Two rods of WEM and for conventional materials for phantoms







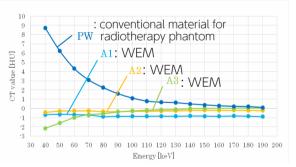
Supports iodine quantification and materialdecomposition

Unlike conventional "water substitute" materials the Water Equivalent Material maintain water equivalency under low energy range. This feature support studies that involve iodine quantification.

Save time and trouble for study and expand possibilities

Save time, costs and efforts to design and produce custom acrylic water phantoms.

Unlike water phantoms, phantoms with solid materials reduce the troublesome process to change water and inside rods.



Ryota Matsui, Ishikawa Katsuhiro, Hiroki Kawashima, "Development of highly precise Water Equivalent phantom for CT machine" Ichikawa Lab, Kanazawa Univ. http://ichiken.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/img/file2.pdf (cited 2019-05-20)

CONCLUSION

- 1. Kyoto Kagaku Multi-Energy CT phantoms may save time and cost of preparing custom made phantoms for the researchers.
- 2. Water Equivalent Material (WEM), enable to create phantoms with innovative designs while ensuring credibility of water phantoms.