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## **UF Proton Therapy Institute to present clinical outcomes at medical, scientific conferences**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Physicians and physicists from the University of Florida Proton Therapy Institute will present results of clinical studies completed at the cancer treatment center at several medical and scientific conferences in the United States and internationally this fall.

Early data on prostate cancer protocols, paranasal sinus tumor treatment and advances in calculating precise dose distribution are being presented.

### **48<sup>th</sup> Particle Therapy Co-Operative Group Meeting**

Sept. 28 – Oct. 3 at the Heidelberg Convention Centre, Heidelberg, Germany

- Proton therapy of paranasal sinus tumors: the UF Proton Therapy Institute experience, presented by Robert Malyapa, M.D.
- An automated system to streamline clinical workflow, plan review and quality assurance for radiation therapy, presented by Daniel Yeung, Ph.D.
- A peer review system for prospective registry, peer review, quality assurance and clinical outcome studies in proton therapy, presented by Daniel Yeung, Ph.D.

### **North American Skull Base Society 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**

Oct. 16-18 at the Astor Crown Plaza, New Orleans

- Proton therapy of paranasal sinus tumors: an update of the UF Proton Therapy Institute experience, presented by Robert Malyapa, M.D.

### **2009 Joint Meeting of the Society for Neuro-Oncology and the AANS/CNS (American Association of Neurological Surgeons/Congress of Neurological Surgeons) Section on Tumors**

Oct. 22-24 at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, New Orleans

- Proton therapy for high-grade meningiomas at UF Proton Therapy Institute, presented by Robert Malyapa, M.D.

### **51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of ASTRO (The American Society for Radiation Oncology)**

Nov. 1-5 at the McCormick Place West, Chicago

- Early gastrointestinal and genitourinary toxicity in three prospective trials of proton therapy for prostate cancer, presented by Nancy Mendenhall, M.D.

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The UF Proton Therapy Institute is now in its third year treating cancer patients with protons, a form of radiation that destroys cancerous tumors while preventing damage to healthy, normal body tissue and organs. Proton therapy is the only radiation treatment that can accomplish both an optimal high dose and spare healthy tissue, especially for hard to reach tumors in the brain, head and neck, prostate and lung and for cancer in children.

UF Proton Therapy Institute is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization affiliated with the UF College of Medicine, dedicated to delivering state-of-the-art cancer treatment and setting new standards for treating and curing the disease. The cancer treatment facility houses both conventional radiation and proton therapy, and delivers proton therapy to 100 patients a day. For more information about UF Proton Therapy Institute, please visit [www.floridaproton.org](http://www.floridaproton.org), or call toll-free 877-686-6009.