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# Implementation of interference effects in coherent X-ray scattering in Geant4



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# Outline

- Theoretical background
- Implementation in Geant4
- Case studies

# Theoretical background: Coherent Scattering

In **Rayleigh (Coherent) Scattering**, photons are scattered by **bound atomic electrons** without excitation of the target atom, i. e., the energy of incident and scattered photons is the same.



# Theoretical background: X-ray interactions with matter at diagnostic energies



# Theoretical background: Atomic form factor

$$\frac{d\sigma_{Ra}}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{2} \left| F(q, Z) \right|^2$$

The atomic form factor, F(q,Z) is the Fourier transform of the atomic electron density  $\rho(r)$ .

For spherically symmetric atoms

$$F(q,Z) = \int \rho(\vec{r}) e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} dV = 4\pi \int_{0}^{\infty} \rho(r) \frac{\sin(qr/\hbar)}{qr/\hbar} r^{2} dr$$

**F(q,Z)** is a **monotonically decreasing** function of q that varies from F(0,Z) = Z to  $F(\infty,Z) = 0$ , thus resulting in a **forward peaked scatter distribution**.

The most accurate form factors are those obtained from **non-relativistic Hartree-Fock calculations** (see, **Hubbell et al., 1975)** on which is based **EPDL97** of **LLNL**).



Atomic form factors of neutral atoms of the indicated elements, taken from the EPDL (Cullen et al., 1997).

# Theoretical background: Differential linear scattering coefficient

$$u_{S} = \frac{N_{A}\rho}{M} \left[ \frac{d\sigma_{T}(\theta)}{d\Omega} F^{2}(x,Z) + \frac{d\sigma_{KN}(\theta)}{d\Omega} S(x,Z) \right] \quad [\text{cm^-1 sr^-1}]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{KN}}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_e^2}{2} \left(\frac{K}{K_0}\right)^2 \left(\frac{K}{K_0} + \frac{K_0}{K} + \cos^2\theta - 1\right)$$

$$\frac{K}{K_0} = \frac{1}{1 + \gamma(1 - \cos\theta)} \qquad \gamma = \frac{E}{m_e c^2}$$

 $F^2(x,Z) + S(x,Z) \cong 1$ 



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## Theoretical background: Molecular form factor

# $F_{mol,IAM}^2(q) = W \sum_{i} \frac{W_i}{A_i} F^2(q, Z_i)$ $F_{mol}^2(q) = F_{mol,IAM}^2(q) \cdot s(q)$

#### Independent-Atoms Model (IAM)

Molecular Interference (MI) effects appear in liquid and amorphous solids (not only in crystals) due to short-rang (A) order (d=1/(2x)). The peaks of F<sub>mol</sub> are characteristic of the material  $2d\sin(\theta/2) = \lambda$ 



The fraction of coherent scattering interactions is about 10% for materials and energies of medical interest but, due to MI, coherent radiation is not forward peaked and is distinguishable from primary radiation.

## **Theoretical background: Molecular Form Factor**

#### Why is it important to evaluate as accurately as possible coherent scattering?

• It can be used to **correct** absorption-based images

(Johns & Yaffe, "Coherent scatter in diagnostic radiology" Med. Phys., 1983)

• It can exploited for **tissue characterization** (in particular for breast)

(Harding & Co., "X-ray diffraction computed tomography", Med. Phys., 1987)

• At very small-angle, it can be used to characterize **ordered structure at a larger scale** [nm - tens of nm] in biological samples, such as **collagen**.

(Fernandez & Co., "Small-angle x-ray scattering studies of human breast tissue samples", Phys. Med. Biol. 47 (2002) 577–592)

# X-ray diffraction (XRD) experiments



#### **ADXRD**

- $\cdot$  Scattering signal acquired as a function of  $\theta$
- · Monochromatic X-ray beam
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Low photon flux
- Higher resolution ( $\Delta x/x$ ) achievable

#### **EDXRD**

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- $\cdot$  Scattering signal acquired at fixed angle  $\theta$
- · Polychromatic X-ray beam
- Require a spectroscopic detector
- Faster

It is possible to combine these methods to improve the sensitivity (see, for instance, Marticke et al., NIM A 867 (2017) 20-31)

# X-ray diffraction (XRD) experiments

$$\mu_{S}(\theta) = \frac{N_{A}\rho}{M} \left[ \frac{d\sigma_{T}(\theta)}{d\Omega} F^{2}(x) + \frac{d\sigma_{KN}(\theta)}{d\Omega} S(x) \right] \quad [\text{cm^-1 sr^-1}]$$

Measured intensity  $I(\theta)$  must be corrected in order to extract the form factor of the material

$$\mu_{S} = K \{ I(\theta) - [B(\theta) + MS(\theta)] \} M(\theta) A(\theta)$$

 $\cdot B(\theta) \rightarrow Background$ 

- $\cdot$  MS( $\theta$ ) -> Multiple Scattering
- $\cdot$  M( $\theta$ ) -> Polychromatic beam
- $\cdot$  A( $\theta$ ) -> Self-attenuation and geometric effects
- . K -> normalization factor obtained from IAM for large x (3 6 nm^-1)

## Measured form factors

Various research groups have measured form factors for biological tissues and plastic materials. A short list is

- Kosanetzky & Co.
- Kidane & Co.
- . Peplow & Verghese
- . Tartari, Taibi & Co.
- Leclair & Co.
- Poletti & Co.
- . Chaparian & Co.
- King & Johns

However **there is not a coherent database of form factors**, and data slightly differ from each other.

### Examples of form factors



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Kosanetzky & Co., "X-ray diffraction measurement of some plastic material and body tissues", Med. Phys., 14 (4), 1987

**ADXRD** with a diffractometer

## Examples of form factors



Peplow & Verghese., "Measured molecular coherent scattering form factors of animal tissues, plastics and human breast tissue", Phys. Med. Biol. 43 (1998) 2431–2452

National Synchrotron Light Source at Brookhaven National Laboratory

# Simulation of MI in coherent scattering

The most used **particle tracking codes** do not natively consider molecular interference in coherent scattering.

For some of them, interested users have developed **custom models of Rayleigh scattering** that include MI. See, for example:

**PENELOPE**: Ghammraoui et al., Proc SPIE 2014;9033:90334N **EGS4**: Taibi et al., IEEE Trans Nucl Sci 2000;47:1581–6

# Geant4 simulation toolkit



Geant4 is a **open-source C++ based object-oriented** Monte Carlo toolkit for particle transport in matter. It is routinely used in **many scientific disciplines** included medical science. It provides:

- advanced geometry modeling,
- high quality physics models,
- advanced tracking algorithms,
- interactive facilities for visualization and execution.

For each physical process various models are available (specialized for particle type and energy scope). Electromagnetic physics foresees Standard and Low Energy packages.

In **Standard models**, the energy of the particles > 1 keV, the atom nucleus is free, the atomic electrons are quasi-free, and matter is described as homogeneous, isotropic, amorphous.

The **Low Energy package** extends the coverage of electromagnetic interactions down to 250/100 eV, it includes processes based on **detailed models** (atom shell structure, precise angular distributions, polarization, etc).

The **coherent scattering models** current implemented in the official release **do not take into account the influence of molecular interference.** 

# Electromagnetic physics in Geant4

EM processes -

Low Energy

- Multiple scattering
- Bremsstrahlung
- Ionization
- Annihilation
- Photoelectric effect
- Compton scattering
- Rayleigh scattering
- e+e- pair production
- Synchrotron radiation
- Transition radiation
- Cherenkov
- Scintillation
- Refraction (opticlal ph)
- Reflection (opticlal ph)
- Absorption (opticlal ph)
- Fluorescence
- Auger

#### Livermore

Based on evaluated data libraries from LLNL (mixture of experiments and theories for electrons and photons):

à la Penelope

in two "flavors" of models:

• based on the Livermore Library

- EADL (Evaluated Atomic Data Library)
- EEDL (Evaluated Electrons Data Library)
- EPDL97 (Evaluated Photons Data Library)

especially formatted for Geant4 distribution (courtesy of D. Cullen, LLNL)

- Validity range: 250 eV 100 GeV
- Elements Z=1 to Z=100

#### Penelope

- The whole physics of Penelope code has been re-engineered into Geant4 (it benefit from OO power)
- Physics models by F. Salvat et al. (version 2008)
- Mixed approach: analytical, parameterized & data-driven (down to 100 eV)
- Great care of atomic effects, fluorescence, Doppler broadening, etc
- Manages positrons

# Simulation of coherent scattering events: Penelope algorithm

First, the occurrence of a coh. scatt. event is determined from  $\sigma_{Ra}$ , then the angular deflection is sampled

$$P_{Ra}(\cos\theta) = \frac{1+\cos^2\theta}{2} F^2(q) \qquad 0 \le q \le q_{\max} = 2E/c = 2m_e c\kappa$$
$$P_{Ra}(\cos\theta) = g(\cos\theta)\pi(q^2) \qquad g(\cos\theta) = \frac{1+\cos^2\theta}{2} \qquad \pi(q^2) = F^2(q)$$

#### rejection method

- 1. Using the **RITA algorithm**, sample a random value of  $q^2$  from the distribution  $\pi(q^2)$ , restricted to the interval [0,  $q_{max}^2$ ].
- 2. Set  $\cos\theta = 1 1/2 * q^2/k^2$  (k=E/m<sub>e</sub>c<sup>2</sup>). (*it comes from the definition of*  $q = 2E/c[sin(\theta/2)] = (E/c[2(1-cos\theta)]^{1/2})$
- 3. Generate a new random number  $\xi$  (uniformly distributed in the interval [0,1]).
- 4. If  $\xi > g(\cos \theta)$ , go to step 3.

(note that **g** is a valid rejection function since  $0 < g \le 1$ )

5. Deliver  $\cos\theta$ .

#### Sampling efficiency higher than 66%

# MI effect implementation in Geant4

- Penelope model of Rayleigh scattering (G4PenelopeRayleighModel class 10.3.1 version) was modified in order to take into account MI effect by reading custom molecular form factors (through the new method: ReadMolInterferenceData()).
- A database of form factors for a set of material of medical interest (various tissues and plastics) was prepared. The files were positioned inside the directory "MIFF" located at the low energy data path:

Geant4\_installation\_path/share/Geant4-10.3.1/data/G4EMLOW6.50/penelope/rayleigh/

• Molecular form factors including MI can be accessed by **assigning proper names to the materials** used in the simulation.

## MI effect implementation in Geant4

Since coherent scattering total cross-section for compounds is managed by a separate class ad it remains approximately the same with and without MI for energies of medical interest (see the figure), the modified form factors is used only for sampling the photon angular deflection.



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## List of implemented Molecular Form Factors

#### A total of 24 Molecular Form Factors have been included

Tartari et al., Phys. Med. Biol. 47 (2002), 16 . fat	3-175	Chaparian et al., Iran. J. Radiat. Res., 2009; 7 (2): 113-117 . adipose				
. water		. glandular				
<ul> <li>collagen (bone matrix)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>breast tissue (50% water - 50% lipid)</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>hydroxyapatite (mineral)</li> </ul>		. water				
• PMMA						
Peplow and Verghese, Phys. Med. Biol. 43,	No. 9 (1998), 2431	-2452				
<ul> <li>lucite, lexan, kapton, water</li> </ul>		Kosanetzky et al., Med. Phys. 14 (4) 1987, 527-532				
<ul> <li>pork heart, kidney, liver, muscle</li> </ul>		• nylon				
<ul> <li>beef blood</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>polyethylene</li> </ul>				
۰ human breast		• polystyrene				
Kidane et al., Phys. Med. Biol. 44 (1999), 17 . carcinoma tissue	91-1802	• gray matter				
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A set of four components, namely fat, water, bone matrix (BM) and hydroxyapatite (HA), can represent a basis for the composition of the human tissues. Once the basis is defined, one can simulate a given tissue by linear combination.

$$F_{tissue}^{2}(q) = a_{1}F_{fat}^{2}(q) + a_{2}F_{water}^{2}(q) + a_{3}F_{BM}^{2}(q) + a_{4}F_{HA}^{2}(q)$$

Substance	Н	С	N	0	р	Са	Density (g/cm³)
water	0.1119			0.8881			1.00
fat	0.1190	0.7720		0.1090			0.923
bone matrix (collagen)	0.0344	0.7140	0.1827	0.0689			-
hydroxyapatite (mineral)	0.0020			0.4140	0.1850	0.3990	2.74

Elemental composition by mass of the four basis materials

#### This approach was proposed in:

•Taibi et al., Proceedings of the Monte Carlo 2000 Conference , Lisbon, 23–26 October 2000.

•Tartari et al., Radiation Physics and Chemistry 61 (2001) 631–632.

.Tartari et al., Phys. Med. Biol. 47 (2002), 163-175.

## List of implemented Molecular Form Factors

This approach permit us to model unclassified tissues in term of a proper linear combination of the 4 basis materials.

a<sub>i</sub> coefficient can be obtained by a multivariate approach (method of least squares )





# Validation: the SAXS application



A **dedicated tool** has been developed in Geant4 to test the molecular interference implementation.

• Geometry, materials, physics and X-ray source configuration through custom commands (to be used in a macro file)

• Material management (the "basis approach" is foreseen and can be activated by codifying the material composition in its name, e.g., "MedMat\_0.25\_0.36\_0.13\_0.36")

• Scoring through SteppingAction and SensitiveDetector (simple scoring screen or Ge detector) -> a number of root scripts available for data analysis

• Calculation of **Dose** delivered to phantom/detail

## Validation: example of input macro (run.mac)

/det/setComp0 0.00 det/setComp1 0.00 det/setComp2 0.00 /det/setComp3 1.00

/det/setPhantomType 1 /det/setPhantomRotation 1 /det/setPhantomZ 100. mm /det/setPhantomMaterial 2 /det/setPhantomDiameter 50. mm /det/setPhantomThickness 5. mm

/det/setDetailMaterial 2 /det/setDetailDiameter 10. mm /det/setDetailThickness 1. mm /det/setDetailPosition 0. 0. 0. mm /det/setThetaSetup 0.

/det/setSlitThickness 20. mm /det/setSlit1SampleDistance 200. mm /det/setSlit2SampleDistance 100. mm /det/setSlit3SampleDistance 100. mm /det/setSlit4SampleDistance 200. mm /det/setSlit1Aperture 5. mm /det/setSlit2Aperture 5. mm /det/setSlit3Aperture 5. mm /det/setSlit3Aperture 5. mm

#/det/setWindowThickness 2. mm
#/det/setWindowSampleDistance 1500. mm

#### /det/setThetaSetup 0.

det/setDetectorSize 200. mm /det/setDetectorSampleDistance 400. mm

/det/setMI 1 /det/setScoringIndex 1

/phys/SelectPhysicsList penelope /phys/setCuts 0.001 mm /run/initialize

/sd/setEdep true

/run/setfilenamesave output/output

/control/execute input/beam.mac

/run/printProgress 1000000 /run/beamOn 100000000

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### Validation: comparison with previous simulations

Breast: 50% adipose - 50% fibroglandular



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## Validation: comparison with experiments



Simulation of the experiment by Evans et al., 1991: Scattering of polychromatic X-rays (60 kVp and filtration of 0.5 mm Cu) from a 5 mmthick carcinoma sample.

Simulations are in agreement with the experiment.

G. Paternò et al., Physica Medica 51 (2018) 64 -70

#### Application: more realistic evaluation of scattering



Scattering of a **20 keV pencil photon beam** impinging on a **5 cm-thick human breast** sample with a **1 mm-thick hydroxyapatite detail** embedded (simulating a calcification).

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## Application: identification of tissues



Through simulations it can be possible to determine the tissue composition that better agrees with the measures.

Scattering of a **20 keV pencil photon beam** incident on a **5 cm-thick human breast** sample with a **hydroxyapatite detail of various size** embedded (simulating a calcification).

### Application: identification of tissues

Scattering from a 5 cm-thick breast sample @ 20 keV



The relative quantity of adipose and glandular tissue in a woman breast is variable and depends also on the age.

Measurements on unclassified tissues are useless for simulation of clinical applications

A more rigorous approach requires the **decomposition in basis materials** 

## Application: identification of tissues



Normal = 36% fat + 15% water + 13% collagen + 36% HA

Osteoporotic = 55% fat + 25% water + 05% collagen + 15% HA

Identification of osteoporotic state:

proposed by Royle & Speller (1995) and subsequently by Allday & Farquharson (2001) and Hussein et al. (2004).

Scattering of a **38 keV pencil photon beam** incident on two **5 cm-thick** samples of human femoral bone (trabecular tissue)

#### Form factors at very low momentum transfer

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**Figure 3.** SAXS experimental data,  $\chi < 0.5$  nm, for adipose tissue, ( $\blacklozenge$ ) and filtered fat: - - -, —, corresponding IAM results.

Tartari et al. X-Ray Spectrom. 2005; 34: 421–425.

**Figure 2.** SAXS data,  $\chi < 0.5$  nm, together with the WAXS data for dry bone sample.  $\Box$ , experimental; —, IAM results.

#### The drastic divergence at low angle was associated with the fractal properties of material large-scale arrangement

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# Toward the simulation of Phase-Contrast Imaging in Geant4



$$n = 1 - N \frac{r_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} f = 1 - N \frac{r_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} (f' + if'') = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$
$$\delta = \frac{Nr_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} f' \qquad \beta = \frac{Nr_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} f'' = \mu \frac{\lambda}{4\pi}$$

The main approach to include phase effects in general purpose particle tracking codes is to **implement X-ray refraction** (Snell's law). This **ray-optical approach**, instead of the more rigorous Fresnel-Kirchhoff diffraction theory, holds if

$$\frac{\pi \lambda r_1 M}{\left[2F_g\right]^2} << 1$$

Peterzol et al., Med. Phys. 32 (12), 2005

**FLUKA:** Cipiccia et al. (Opt Express. 2014, 22(19):23480-8) **GEANT4:** Wang et al., 2009 IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium Conference Record

#### Improved form factors with small-angle data should lead to a more accurate calculation of the refractive index

$$\Phi(x) = -\frac{2\pi}{2} \int dz \,\delta(x, y, z)$$

$$B(x, y) = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \beta(x, y, z)$$

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## Conclusions

- Molecular **interference effect** in coherent scattering has been implemented in Geant4 for a variety of materials.
- The implementation has been **validated** comparing Geant4 simulations with previous results obtained through a different MC code and experimental data.
- The proposed extension will allow the user to evaluate more rigorously the scatter profile and simulate SAXS experiments for tissue characterization.
- Future development: FF including SAXS data, **implementation** of X-ray refraction for phase-contrast imaging simulation, implementation of X-ray diffraction from crystalline materials.

#### Back-up slides

#### Simulation of coherent scattering events

```
292 namespace { G4Mutex PenelopeRayleighModelMutex = G4MUTEX INITIALIZER; }
293 G4double G4PenelopeRayleighModel::ComputeCrossSectionPerAtom(const G4ParticleDefinition*,
294
                                   G4double energy,
295
                                   G4double Z.
296
                                   G4double,
297
                                   G4double.
298
                                   G4double)
299 {
300 // Cross section of Rayleigh scattering in Penelope v2008 is calculated by the EPDL97
301 // tabulation, Cuellen et al. (1997), with non-relativistic form factors from Hubbel
302 // et al. J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data 4 (1975) 471; Erratum ibid. 6 (1977) 615.
303
304
      if (verboseLevel > 3)
305
      G4cout << "Calling CrossSectionPerAtom() of G4PenelopeRayleighModel" << G4endl;
306
307
      G4int iZ = (G4int) Z;
308
309
     //Either Initialize() was not called, or we are in a slave and InitializeLocal() was
310
      //not invoked
311
      if (!logAtomicCrossSection)
312
       {
313
          //create a **thread-local** version of the table. Used only for G4EmCalculator and
314
          //Unit Tests
315
          fLocalTable = true:
316
          logAtomicCrossSection = new std::map<G4int,G4PhysicsFreeVector*>;
317
318
      //now it should be ok
319
      if (!logAtomicCrossSection->count(iZ))
320
        {
321
          //If we are here, it means that Initialize() was inkoved, but the MaterialTable was
322
          //not filled up. This can happen in a UnitTest or via G4EmCalculator
323
          if (verboseLevel > 0)
324
       {
325
         //Issue a G4Exception (warning) only in verbose mode
326
         G4ExceptionDescription ed;
327
         ed << "Unable to retrieve the cross section table for Z=" << iZ << G4endl;
328
         ed << "This can happen only in Unit Tests or via G4EmCalculator" << G4endl;
329
         G4Exception("G4PenelopeRayleighModel::ComputeCrossSectionPerAtom()".
330
                 "em2040",JustWarning,ed);
331
       }
332
          //protect file reading via autolock
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### Simulation of coherent scattering events

664 /	/ooo00000000ooo000000000ooo000000
666 v	oid G4PenelopeRayleighModel::SampleSecondaries(std::vector <g4dynamicparticle*>*</g4dynamicparticle*>
667	const 64MaterialCutsCouple* couple.
668	const G4DvnamicParticle* aDvnamicGamma.
669	G4double.
670	G4double)
671 {	
672	// Sampling of the Rayleigh final state (namely, scattering angle of the photon)
673	<pre>// from the Penelope2008 model. The scattering angle is sampled from the atomic</pre>
674	// cross section dOmega/d(cosTheta) from Born ("Atomic Phyisics", 1969), disregarding
675	// anomalous scattering effects. The Form Factor F(0) function which appears in the
676	<pre>// analytical cross section is retrieved via the method GetFSquared(); atomic data</pre>
677	// are tabulated for F(Q). Form factor for compounds is calculated according to
678	// the additivity rule. The sampling from the $F(Q)$ is made via a Rational Inverse
679	// Transform with Aliasing (RITA) algorithm; RITA parameters are calculated once
680	// for each material and managed by G4PenelopeSamplingData objects.
681	// The sampling algorithm (rejection method) has efficiency $67\%$ at low energy, and
682	<pre>// increases with energy. For E=100 keV the efficiency is 100% and 86% for</pre>
683	// hydrogen and uranium, respectively.
684	
685	<pre>if (verboseLevel &gt; 3)</pre>
686	G4cout << "Calling SamplingSecondaries() of G4PenelopeRayleighModel" << G4endl;
687	
688	G4double photonEnergy0 = aDynamicGamma->GetKineticEnergy();
689	
690	<pre>if (photonEnergy0 &lt;= fIntrinsicLowEnergyLimit)</pre>
691	
692	TParticleChange->ProposeTrackStatus(TStopAndKill);
693	TParticleChange->SetProposedKineticEnergy(0.);
694	TParticlechange->ProposeLocalEnergyDeposit(photonEnergy0);
695	return ;
696	}
6097	(ADarticleMemontum photopDirectionA = aDupamicComma >CotMemontumDirection();
600	G4ParticleMomentum photonDirections = abynamicGamma->GetMomentumDirection();
700	const (AMatorial* theMat - couple >CotMatorial();
700	const of material (),
701	
702	//1) Verify if tables are ready
701	//Fither Initialize() was not called, or we are in a slave and Initialize(ocal() was
705	//not invoked
706	if (InMaxTable    IsamplingTable    IngAtomicCrossSection    IstomicFormEactor
707	- (IndecomFactorTable)
708	{
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#### Implementation

```
📓 DetectorConstruction.cc 🗙 📄 G4PenelopeRayleighModel.cc 🗙
119
           machame = ponematrix :
       } else {
180
181
           matname = "BoneMatrix noint";
182
183
       BoneMatrix = new G4Material(matname, d BoneMatrix, nel);
184
       BoneMatrix->AddElement(elH. 0.0344):
185
       BoneMatrix->AddElement(elC, 0.7140);
186
       BoneMatrix->AddElement(elN, 0.1827);
187
       BoneMatrix->AddElement(el0, 0.0689);
188
189
       //Mineral (Hydroxyapatite)
190
       G4double d_Mineral = 2.74*g/cm3;
191
       nel = 4;
192
       if (IWantMI) {
           matname = "Mineral";
193
194
       } else {
195
           matname = "Mineral_noint";
196
       }
197
       Mineral = new G4Material(matname, d Mineral, nel);
       Mineral->AddElement(elH, 0.002);
198
199
       Mineral->AddElement(el0, 0.414);
200
       Mineral->AddElement(elP. 0.185);
201
       Mineral->AddElement(elCa, 0.399);
202
203
       //Medical Material
204
       G4double comp[] = {Comp0, Comp1, Comp2, Comp3}; //enter the material composition
205
       G4double d MedMat = d Fat*d Water*d BoneMatrix*d Mineral/(comp[0]*d Fat*d BoneMatrix*d Mineral+comp[1]*d Water*d BoneMatrix*d Mineral+comp
   [2]*d Fat*d Water*d Mineral+comp[3]*d Fat*d Water*d BoneMatrix);
206
       G4cout << "### MedMat density: " << d MedMat/(g/cm3) << " ###" << G4endl:
207
       G4int n MedMat = 0;
208
       for (size t i=0; i<4; i++) {</pre>
209
           if (comp[i]>0) n MedMat++;
210
           if (comp[i]<0 || comp[i]>1) {
211
               G4String excep = "Error in Medical Material composition: comp[i]<0 or comp[i]>1";
212
               G4Exception("DetectorConstuction::DefineMaterials()".
213
                "em0001",FatalException,excep);
214
               return:
215
           }
       }
216
217
       std::stringstream ss0,ss1,ss2,ss3;
218
       ss0 << comp[0];
219
       ss1 << comp[1];</pre>
220
       ss2 << comp[2];</pre>
221
       ss3 << comp[3];</pre>
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#### Implementation

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438
     G4PhysicsFreeVector* graymatterFF = MolInterferenceData->find(24)->second:
439
440
     G4String matname = material->GetName();
441
     //medical material: composition of fat, water, bonematrix, mineral
442
443
     if (matname.find("MedMat") != std::string::npos) {
       G4cout << "MIFF: MedMat" << G4endl;
444
445
446
       //get the material composition from its name
447
       G4int ki, kf=6, ktot=19;
448
       G4double comp[4];
449
       G4String compstring = matname.substr(kf+1, ktot);
450
       for (size_t j=0; j<4; j++) {</pre>
451
            ki = kf+1;
452
            kf = ki+4;
453
            compstring = matname.substr(ki, 4);
            comp[j] = atof(compstring.c str());
454
455
            G4cout << "MedMat comp[" << j+1 << "]: " << comp[j] << G4endl;
456
       }
457
458
        //get and combine the molecular form factors with interference effect
459
       for (size_t k=0;k<logQSquareGrid.size();k++) {</pre>
460
            G4double ff2 = 0;
461
            G4double ffat = (*fatFF)[k];
462
            G4double fwater = (*waterFF)[k];
463
            G4double fbonematrix = (*bonematrixFF)[k];
464
            G4double fmineral = (*mineralFF)[k];
465
            ff2 = comp[0]*ffat*ffat+comp[1]*fwater*fwater+comp[2]*fbonematrix*fbonematrix+comp[3]*fmineral*fmineral;
466
            if (ff2) theFFVec->PutValue(k,log0SquareGrid[k],std::log(ff2));
467
       }
468
     }
469
470
     //other materials with interference function
471
     else if (matname == "PMMA") {
472
       G4cout << "MIFF: PMMA" << G4endl;
473
       for (size_t k=0;k<logQSquareGrid.size();k++) {</pre>
474
            G4double ff2 = 0:
475
            G4double f = (*PMMAFF)[k];
476
            ff2 = f*f;
            if (ff2) theFFVec->PutValue(k,log0SquareGrid[k],std::log(ff2));
477
478
       }
479
     } else if (matname == "Adipose") {
480
        G4cout << "MIFF: Adipose" << G4endl;
101
        for ( dian + k-A.k. loonsourcord dian().ku) (
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## Application: identification of cancer signatures

Scattering from a 5 mm-thick detail embedded in a 5 cm-thick breast tissue @ 20 keV



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