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MIC Tea Time **Pre-clinical Ion Beam** Research current status and future activities at MedAustron

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Cancer therapy has experienced a rapid surge in the use of protons and carbon ions over high-energy photons. Yet despite the widespread therapeutical use, research activities on proton and carbon ions have prioritized the fields of physics and technology development while largely ignoring pre-clinical and clinical research.

In his talk he will give an overview of the current status of ion beam therapy and motivate the building up of infrastructure for pre-clinical ion beam research. Current research on cellular models will be briefly reviewed. Next, he will provide an overview of ongoing projects and in-house developments to establish animal research with ion beams. These range from X-ray reference irradiations and animal irradiations with ions based on an image guided workflow, including multiparametric imaging for response assessment or micro-CT for treatment planning.

