Clinical Workshop

Fundamentals of photon-counting

CT physics

Oct 27, 2025





Course design and objectives

The NAEOTOM Alpha class is a fleet of novel photon-counting computed tomography (PCCT) scanners for advanced imaging. The QuantaMax PCCT detector detects and counts individual X-ray photons and can offer higher spatial resolution and improved contrast compared to conventional CT. PCCT uses energy-resolving detectors that categorize photons based on their energy levels, enabling material decomposition and spectral imaging. With the novel technology comes the need to understand the physics and apply the knowledge into the daily routine.

This one-day on-site class for technologists and radiologists covers the physical key fundamentals of photon-counting CT and the basic principles of the NAEOTOM Alpha class scanners. The focus is set on operation principles, differentiation to EID technology, reconstructions, kernels, dose considerations. Furthermore, an introduction into spectral imaging and protocol development will be taught to the participants. You will learn and understand how to adapt the technology to your specific needs and get guidance by experts.

Course content

- Basics: Physics of photon-counting CT incl. Q&A
- Scanning: Acquisition parameters (CARE keV)
- Processing: Spectral image reconstruction
- Tuning: Image quality, kernels & artifacts
- Best practice: Protocol handling and Q&A





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Participant prerequisites

Basic knowledge in CT image acquisition, Reconstruction, and interpretation.

Course hours

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Costs

The course fee is 450.00 € excl. VAT.

Location

Siemens Healthineers Lobby Siemenstr. 3 91301 Forchheim

Hotel

Please contact ct.clinical-workshop.team@siemens-healthineers.com for hotel recommendations.

Participants

This course is designed for technologists and radiologists who would like to gain insights into the physics of photon-counting CT for using these skills in daily routine.

Number of participants

5 to 20

Registration

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