

State-of-the-art in vivo imaging

ULTRASOUND ASSETS

A SYNERGY OF IN VIVO IMAGING EXPERTISE & TECHNOLOGIES TO SUPPORT INNOVATIVE PROJECTS



Four complementary and multidisciplinary centers (IDMIT, MIRCen, SHFJ and NeuroSpin) contributing to major advances in various research fields

From preclinical POC to drug development in patients



PET, MRI, ultrasound, multimodal imaging and radiopharmaceutical production

Expertise and state-of-the-art translational in vivo imaging platforms:

- * 4 medical research imaging centers
- * 34 technological platforms for preclinical and clinical research
- * 10 research laboratories

An access to a full range of scientific and technological solutions through one-stop shop and a dedicated project manager to support partner innovative developments from preclinical to clinical stages

ULTRASOUND

OUR ACTIVITY

- ✓ Imaging
- Therapy

MEDICAL FIELDS

- ✓ Neurodegenerative diseases
- ✓ Oncology
- ✓ Clinical diagnosis in radiology (liver, kidney, muscle...)

EXPERTISE

IMAGING

- ✓ Shear wave elastography (a recent imaging technique (MRI or ultrasound) that allows the quantification of the biomechanical properties of soft tissues)
- ✓ Ultrasensitive Doppler
- ✓ Ultrafast Doppler
- ✓ Ultrafast imaging (>20 kHz)

THERAPY

- ✓ Molecular contrast agent formulations and new technologies for theranostic applications
- Formulation of sono-sensitive agents (increasing BBB permeability using micro and nanobubbles)
- Delivery of antibodies into brain
- ✓ Internal vectorized radiotherapy combined with ultrasound
- ✓ Cavitation control devices during ultrasound therapy (new sensors to detect the cavitation signal improving the detection of bubbles and defining in real time the cavitation doses necessary for a safe permeabilization of biological barriers)

OUR STRENGTH

- ✓ Long-standing experience in multimodal imaging processing
- Clinical investigations
- Complementary experts: biologists, physicists, pharmacologists, radiochemists, radiopharmacists, nuclear doctors, physicians
- ✓ Well-established partnerships with public and industrial players

PRECLINICAL US

BBB PERMEABILIZATION



APPLICATIONS

Therapeutic fields

- Neurodegenerative diseases
- ✓ Oncology

Imaging fields

- ✓ Elastography
- ✓ Ultrasensitive Doppler
- ✓ Contrast imaging

Expertise

- ✓ Localization of microbubbles
- ✓ Monitoring of microbubble activity
- In vivo sequences for Acoustic Droplet Vaporization
- Acoustical characterization of contrast agents
- Optimized protocols for BBB opening combined with PET and MRI (efficiency and safety)

EQUIPMENT

Vevo F2 Aixplorer Mach 30 Aixplorer Ultimate Aixplorer CUBE Fujifilm Visualsonics SuperSonic Imagine SuperSonic Imagine SuperSonic Imagine Image Guided Therapy

PRECLINICAL CAPACITIES

ULTRAFAST IMAGING

Main advantages

- ✓ Localization of targeted microbubbles
- ✓ Monitoring of microbubble activity during therapy
- ✓ In vivo sequences for Acoustic Droplet Vaporization

Platform

Vevo F2 (Fujifilm Visualsonics) Ultrafast open scanner Up to 20 000 Frames/s

Modes

- ✓ Ultrafast Doppler,
- ✓ Super-resolved contrast agent imaging



THERAPEUTIC ULTRASOUND

Main advantages

- ✓ Acoustical characterization of contrast agents
- Optimized protocols for BBB opening combined with PET and MRI (efficiency and safety)

Platform

CUBE (Image Guided Therapy)

Modes

- ✓ HIFU (thermal effect)
- ✓ Sono-permeabilization
- ✓ BBB opening on rodents



PRECLINICAL CASE STUDIES

Quantification of BBB opening using TEP imaging (18F-FDSorbitol)



PRECLINICAL CASE STUDIES

Radiolabelled Antibody brain delivery for cancer therapy





Tran et al., Journal of Controlled Release, 2020

PRECLINICAL CASE STUDIES

Focused ultrasound-induced BBB opening to restore certain cognitive deficits in animal model of AD









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