What is Medical Physics 3.0?

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- 2. Future Trend in Medical Physics
 - new technology
 - after COVID-19
- 3. Medical Physics 3.0
 - Medical Physics realigned





Project of Inbound Visiting Professor, 2024

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What is AAPM in Medical Physics 3.0?

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How to take advantage of the 3D treatment planning tools to develop treatment plans, issues and principles

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New methodology in Radiotherapy quality management (TG100)

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Clinical Topics: Basic to Advance Radiotherapy Techniques (ART SBRT TBI TMI)

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09:00-10:00

Kantary Hills Hotel, MP curriculum Annual Meeting

Research trends in Medical Physics, research methodology and publication





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Why Med Phys 3.0?

- The crucial role of Medical Physics has to be broadly claimed
- In the face of a challenge, it is crucial to understand the goals and set a standard that can define the trajectory and motivate the progression. (I) 🌣 🖭 💢

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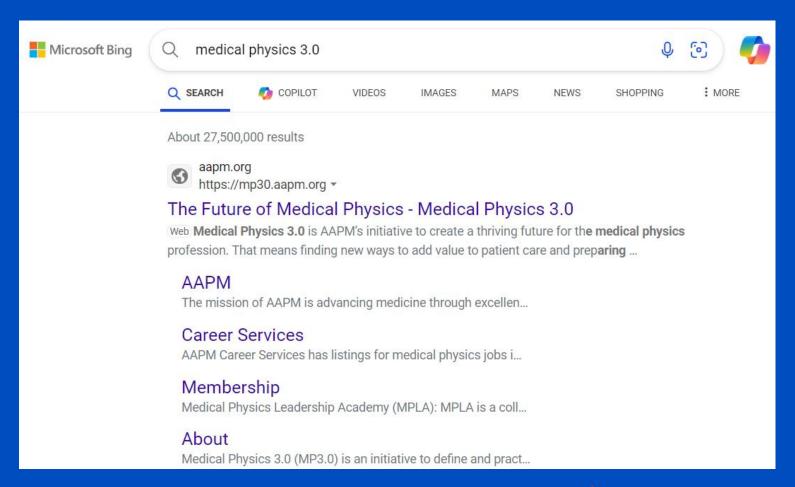
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Current State of MP 3.0 II





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Physics for Every Patient

Medical Physics 3.0 is AAPM's initiative to create a thriving future for the medical physics profession. That means finding new ways to add value to patient care and preparing medical physicists to adapt to constant change. We believe physicists have enormous untapped potential to improve human health through their skills and commitment.

You can be part of this movement by sharing a story of how you implemented a new idea or formed a new collaboration

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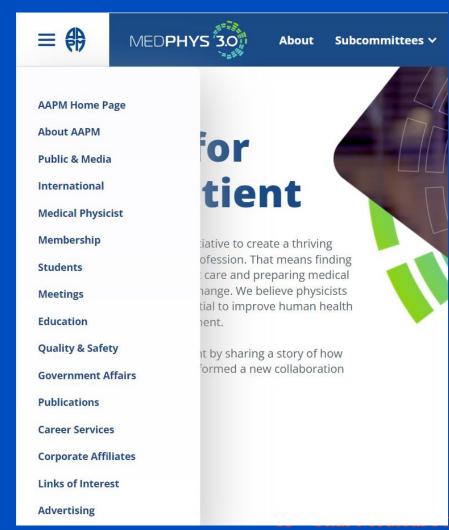


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Medical Physics 3.0 Committee (MP30C)

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Activities To integrate MP 3.0 activities to enact, express, and enhance the full value of physics towards human health into the council working space of the AAPM.

That includes practice, administrative, scientific, and educational goals. To identify and explore other areas besides radiotherapy and imaging where

medical physicists can work in healthcare.

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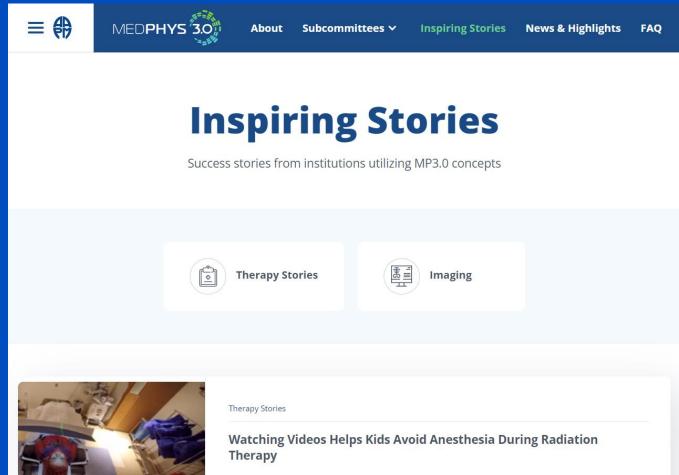
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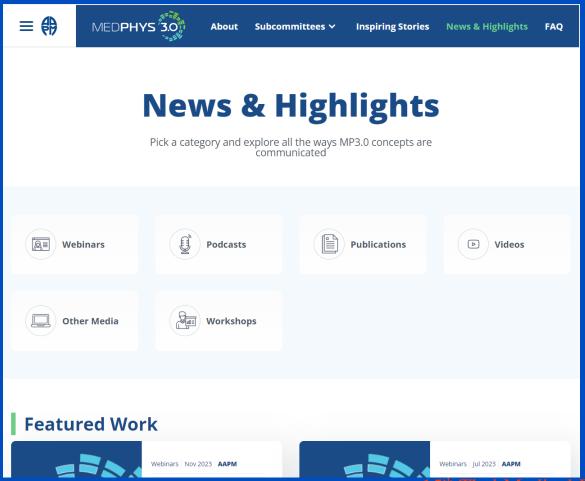
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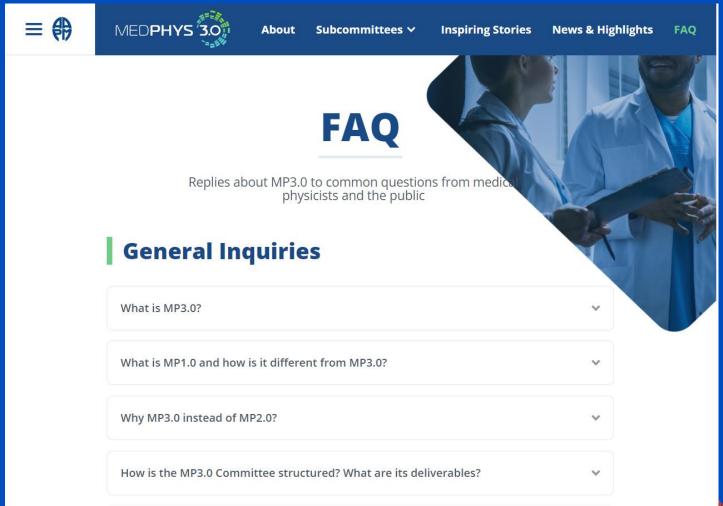
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Question and Answer I

Medical Physics (MP) 3.0 was formed in response to the impact of COVID-19

- True or False

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Rationales for MP 3.0 I





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Precision and Innovation

It asks the question of whether we are fulfilling our potential, and if we are not, how we can do so. MP3.0 is based on the core premise that medical physicists have a unique calling and expertise to be scientific agents of precision and innovation in the development and practice of medicine.

Unique Skills of Medical Physicists

MP3.0 aims to foster a culture within medical physics of seizing such opportunities, engaging proactively and meaningfully in patient care, and growing and building upon the unique skills of medical physicists.

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For the complete description, please see the excellent presentation "What is Medical Physics 3.0".

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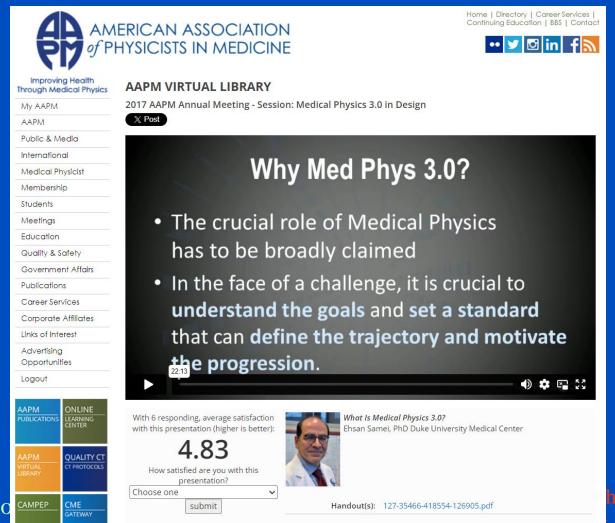
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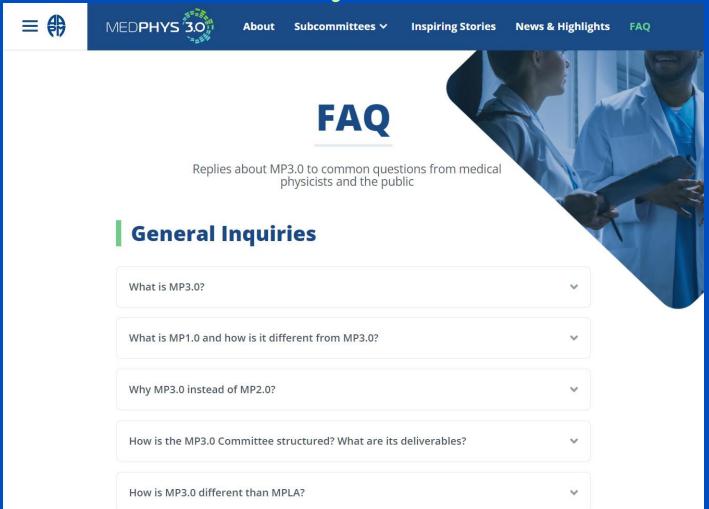


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Why 3.0 ? II

What is MP1.0 and how is it different from MP3.0?

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Medical physics is one of the foundational disciplines behind radiology and radiation oncology. Remember Roentgen! Medical physicists have done great things in terms of applying physics to designing technologies with superior performance; ensuring the intrinsic performance of equipment; ensuring accurate therapeutic dosimetry; and claiming compliance and accreditation. None of these are small things - they are GREAT things and we refer to them as "Medical Physics 1.0 (MP1.0)".

But what is missing? We can speak in-depth and at length about physical performance, but we shy away from talking much about clinical performance. If something is off by 5%-10%, what does that mean clinically for the patient? Where did 5%-10% come from? We do not optimize equipment; equipment comes to us with many opportunities to do so it but this is not typically done. With many opportunities to change things, we have added to the variability of the operation rather than the optimization of the operation. This results in little consistency in the care that we provide from one facility to another and even from one machine to another.

MP3.0 is an extension/progression of MP1.0. MP3.0 aligns with the current aim in medicine toward high-quality, consistent, patient-centric, evidential, precise, and safe healthcare. MP3.0 shifts the focus from equipment to operation; from specification to performance; from quality checks to consistency; from presumption of utility to actual utility; and from compliance to excellence. It changes the focus from "Physics IN Medicine" (physicists in a clinical role) or "Physics OF Medicine" (physicists in a scientific role).

Medical Physics Progression

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Equipment
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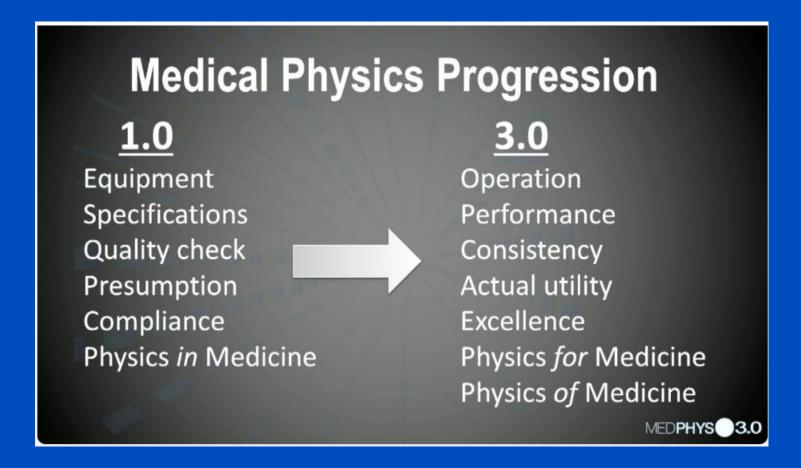
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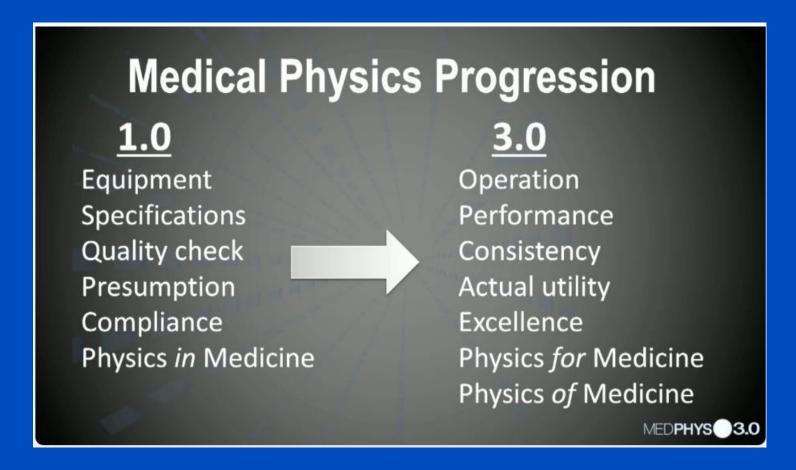
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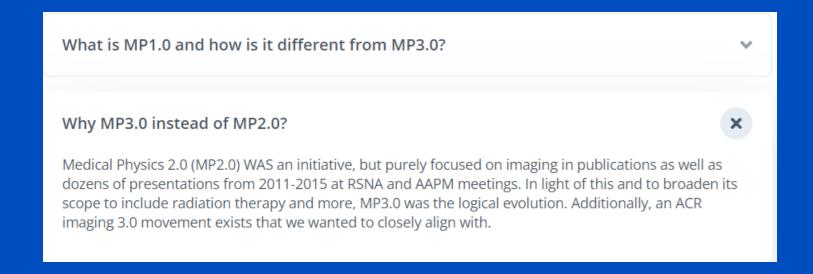
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Plans for MP 3.0 I

Who is MP3.0 for?



MP3.0 is for EVERYONE. For practicing medical physicists, whether established or new to the field, it is an opportunity to reflect on what we do and how we do it. In some ways it is the chance to re-imagine and re-evaluate one's daily routine as a medical physicist: Have you optimized what you are doing? How can you be more efficient - can you hand something off or stop doing something because there is no longer a reason to do it? It is easy to continue doing something because you always have or because it has always been done a certain way. MP3.0's purpose in part is for introspection: technology changes, tools change, philosophies change, regulations change; for everyone outside medical physics, it is a "peek under the hood".

Plans for MP 3.0 II

What is MP3.0 working on now?



MP3.0 currently has a number of projects underway including a webinar and podcast series on MP3.0 topics, creating a repository of tools and resources in an easily searchable format, and developing workshop materials. The best place to see our current action items is to check out our MP3.0 roadmap on Trello.

Plans for MP 3.0 III

Personal Impact of MP3.0

As a medical physicist, how do I best implement MP3.0?



How each physicist interprets the principles of MP3.0 and decides what it means to them will be personal and unique to their situation based on areas of interests, skills/expertise, work/life balance, view of the future, needs of their clinic/community, etc.

On a higher level, some key guiding principles are:

- 1. Be engaged and form good working relationships with your entire department and beyond not just other medical physicists.
- 2. Be generous with your time and knowledge. For example, try reaching a wider audience with simple, fun "How-To" videos.
- 3. Be the "scientist in the room". Maintain your curiosity/beginner's mindset. Make an impact on an area that is seen as outside "traditional" medical physics.
- 4. Commit to continuing education in a variety of workshops on AI, biostatistics, or quality and safety so the range of problems you are able tackle and thus your value expands.
- 5. Take initiative. Be a leader in your sphere of influence regardless of your current job title. Do so by developing leadership& management skills (see MPLA) or test drive unfamiliar technology and procedures.

Finally, and in summary: be patient. Start small, as it may take time to find your own MP3.0 niche.

For more detailed information on MP3.0 principles, opportunities, examples, and inspirations visit the "Good practices", "Opportunities for Growth", "Inspiring Stories", and "New & Highlights" sections of this site.

Question and Answer II

Medical Physics (MP) 3.0 is the philosophical approach to Medical Physics

- True or False

Summary

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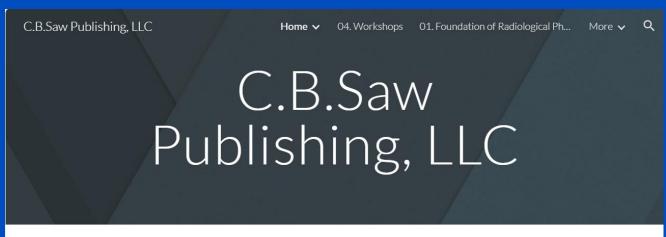
- is transformative (changing)
- is for benefit of patients
- is for everyone

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[1] This textbook, Foundation of Radiological Physics evolves from my many years of lectures to radiation therapy students, nuclear medicine technology students, medical dosimetrists, diagnostic radiology residents, radiation oncology residents, medical physics post-doctoral students, and medical physics residents.

[2] This textbook is a preparatory textbook for those students who will eventually pursue advanced courses in radiological sciences.

[3] This textbook is written as an introductory "ONE SEMESTER" course taught over 4 months and covers atomic physics, nuclear physics, interaction of radiation with matter, health physics, and radiobiology.

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