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# Optics design of a compact helium synchrotron for advanced cancer therapy

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The design of a helium synchrotron for cancer therapy is being studied and optimized in the context of the Next Ion Medical Machine Study (NIMMS) at CERN. In particular, the effects of combined-function magnets and their geometry on the optics functions and hence on the beam size are evaluated. Moreover, the introduction of defocusing quadrupoles in the lattice is investigated as a means of better controlling the optics in both planes, while sextupoles for chromaticity control and resonant extraction are introduced. The updated lattice design is simulated to identify potential limitations in terms of nonlinear dynamics due to the low periodicity of the lattice and propose a regime for operations from the transverse beam dynamics' perspective.

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