Absolute Dose Values in Computed Tomography

SOMATOM Force

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¹ Bundesamt für Gesundheit (Merkblatt R-06-06, Diagnostische Referenzwerte in der Computertomographie, 01.04.2010, (REV.01.01.2018).
² Bundesamt für Strahlenschutz (Diagnostische Referenzwerte für diagnostische und interventionelle Röntgenanwendungen vom 22.06.2016).
⁴ American College of Radiology (CT Accreditation Program Requirements, Amended 2018).

Default Siemens Protocol | Standard CTDIvol [mGy]⁵ | Put your current values here |
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Head Routine              | 47.32                   |                             |
Thorax Routine            | 2.66                    |                             |
Lung Low Dose with Tin Filter | 0.37                  |                             |
Abdomen Routine           | 9.83                    |                             |

⁵Values are based on the default protocols of the SOMATOM Force with syngo CT VB10 and an average sized patient of 1.75 m and 75 kg.

Iterative Reconstruction ADMIRE is used.

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