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Measurements of the sensitivity of radiochromic film using ion beams J.A. STEIDLE, J.P. SHORTINO, D.M. ELLISON, C.G. FREEMAN, SUNY Geneseo, T.C. SANGSTER, Laboratory for Laser Energetics — Radiochromic film (RCF) is used in several diagnostics as a dosimeter that chromatically responds to incident particles. This response depends on the fluence, energy, and species of the incident particles. A 1.7 MV tandem Pelletron accelerator is used to create a monoenergetic ion beam which is scattered off a thin gold target onto a strip of RCF. A surface barrier detector is positioned behind a small hole in the film to measure the ion fluence on the nearby film. Once the film develops, it is scanned to examine its optical density. A response curve is acquired by fitting a three parameter formula to optical density and dose. These calibration curves can be used to help determine incident doses in a variety of situations.

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