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# Radiotherapy Bolus

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A tissue-equivalent material placed in contact with the skin to increase the surface dose and/or compensate for missing tissue. A bolus can also be used to compensate for lack of scatter, such as near the extremities or the head during total-body irradiation.