

Supplementary material

Supplementary figures and tables for images filtered with a 12 mm Gaussian filter:

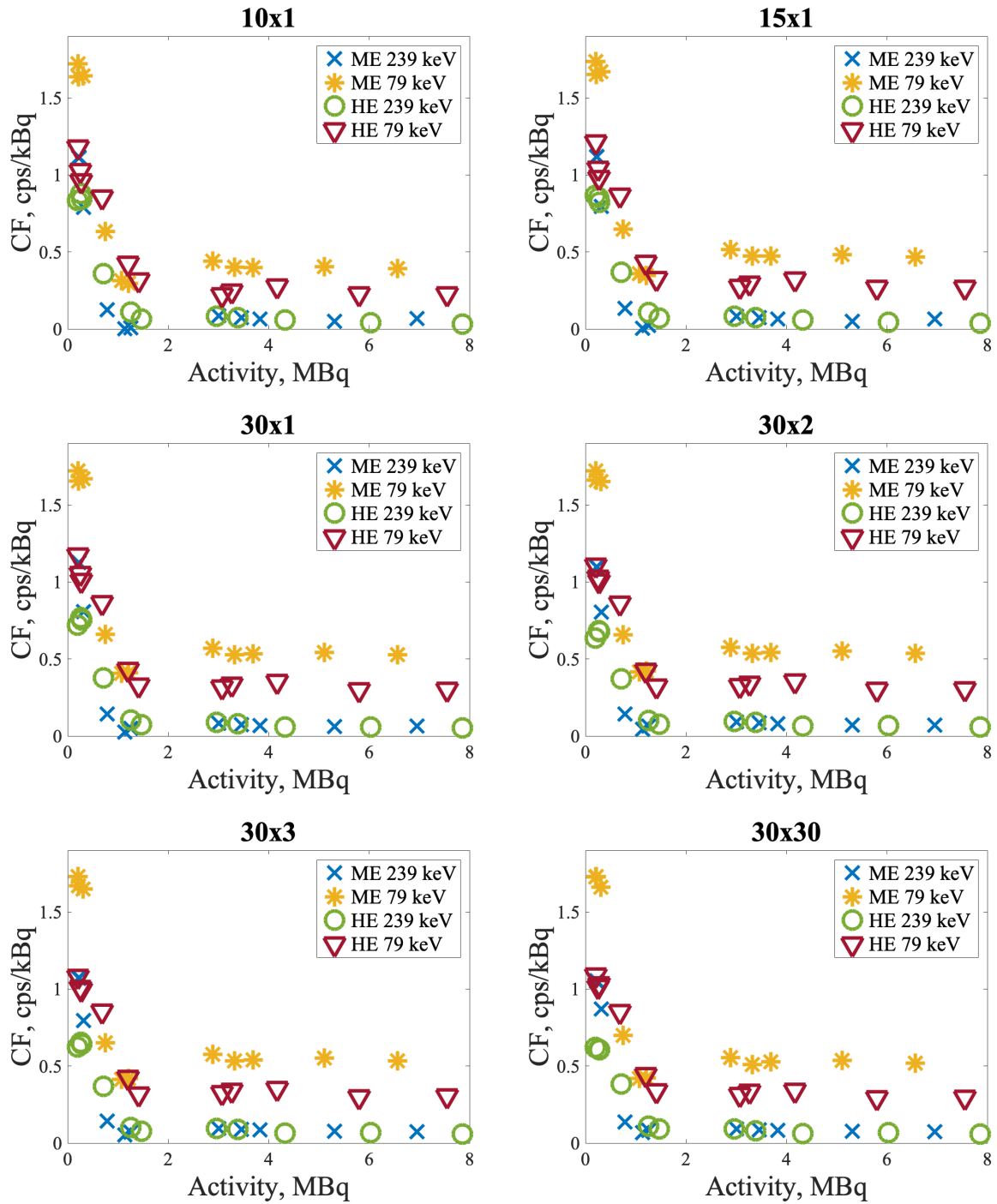
Calibration factors [cps/kBq], 12 mm Gaussian filter:

Calibration factors [cps/kBq] for the four imaging protocols for all the filtered reconstructions with standard deviations.

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ME 79 keV	0.38 ±0.05	0.45 ±0.07	0.50 ±0.07	0.51 ±0.06	0.51 ±0.07	0.51 ±0.07	0.50 ±0.05
HE 79 keV	0.28 ±0.07	0.31 ±0.06	0.34 ±0.04	0.34 ±0.04	0.34 ±0.04	0.34 ±0.04	0.34 ±0.05
ME 239 keV	0.05 ±0.03	0.05 ±0.03	0.06 ±0.02	0.07 ±0.02	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01
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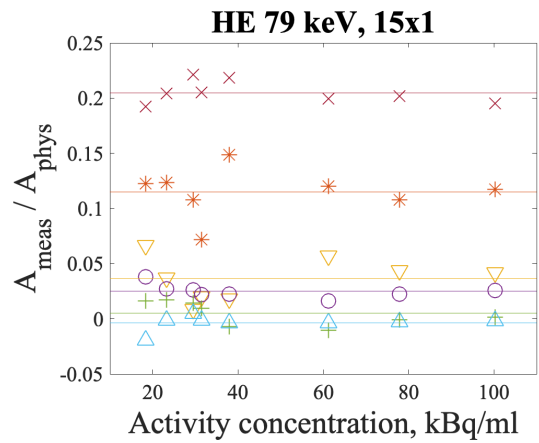
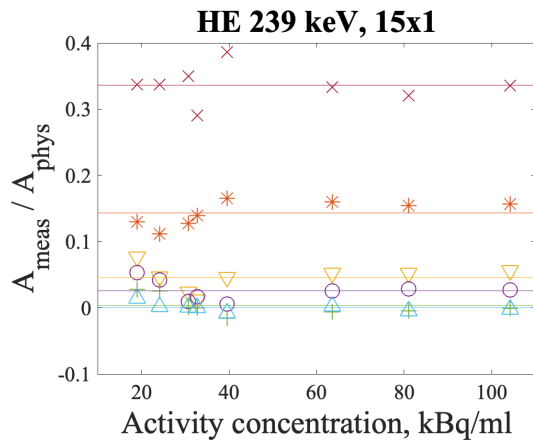
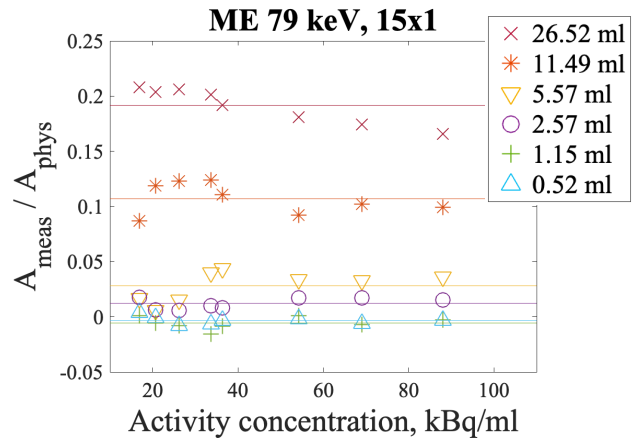
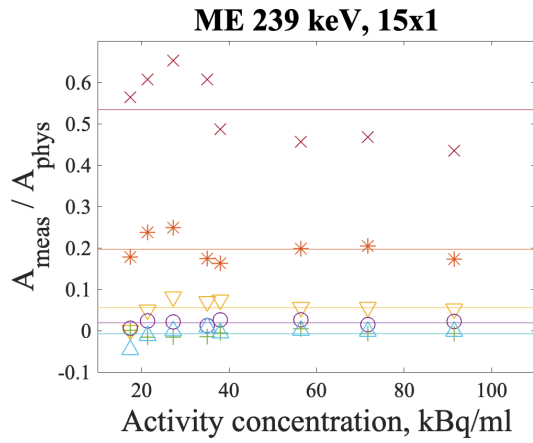
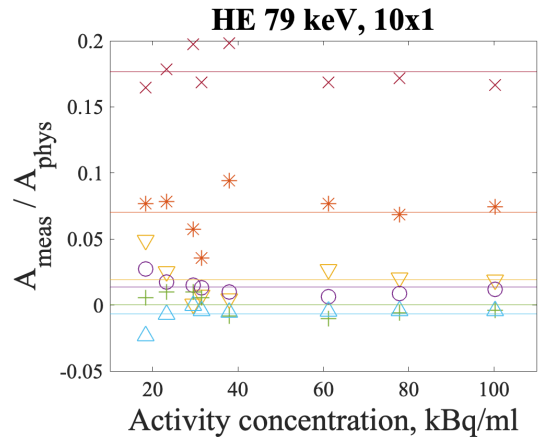
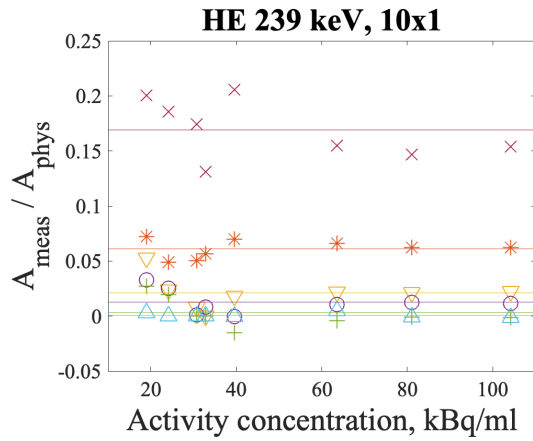
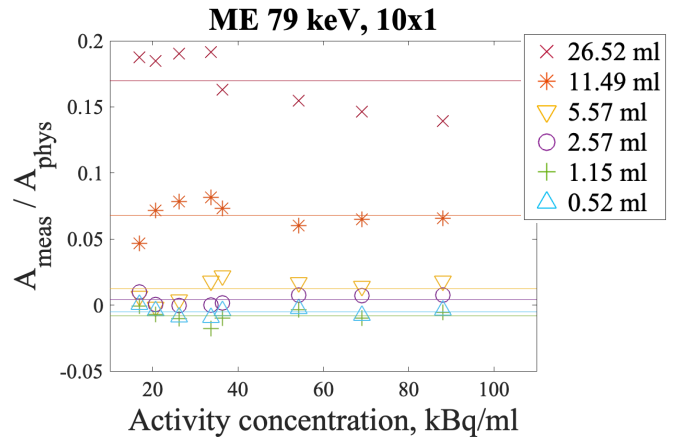
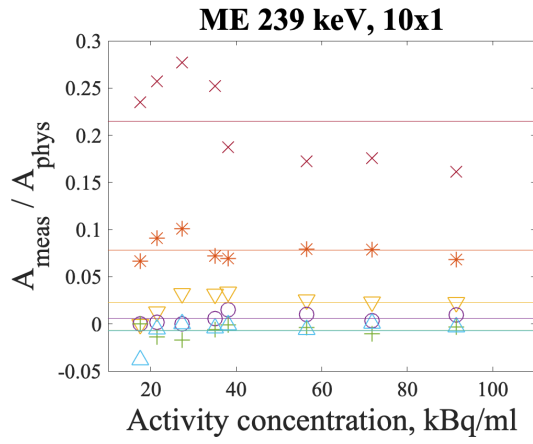
Calibration factor plots, 12 mm Gaussian filter:

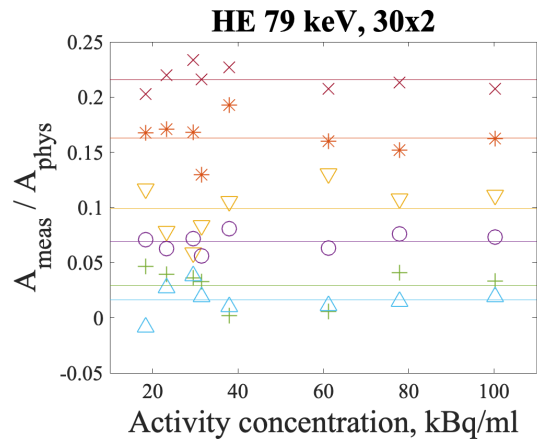
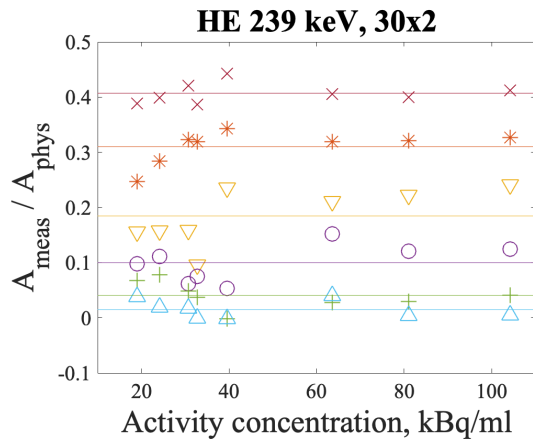
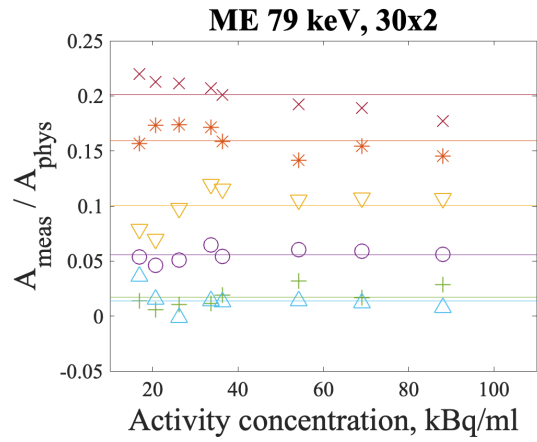
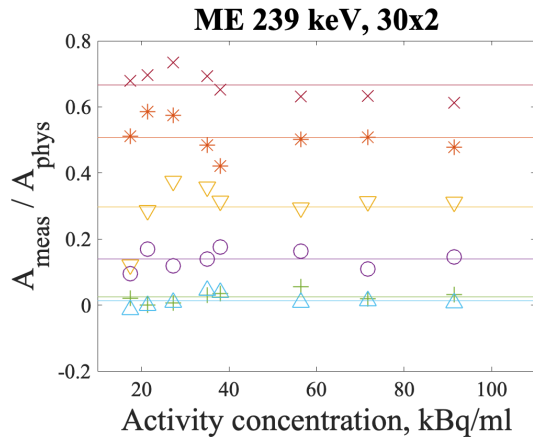
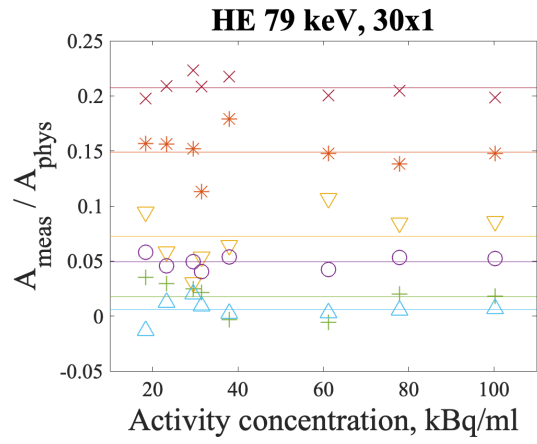
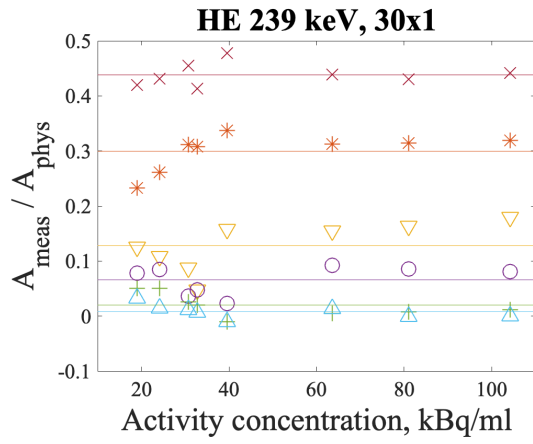
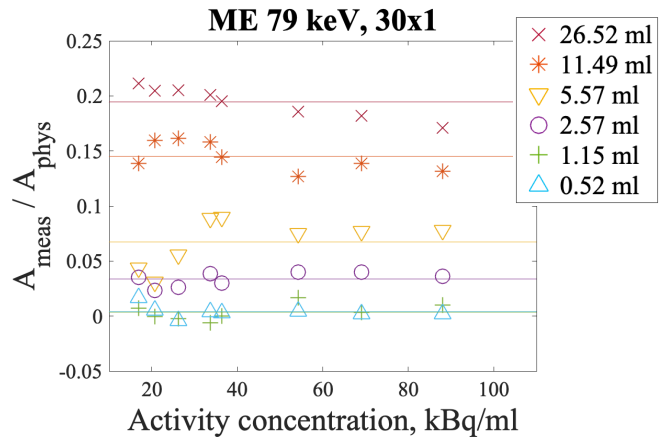
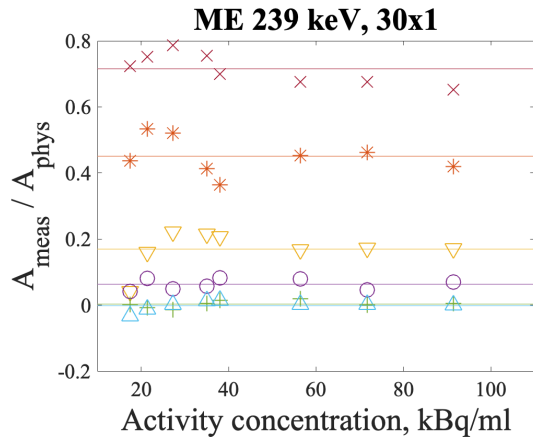
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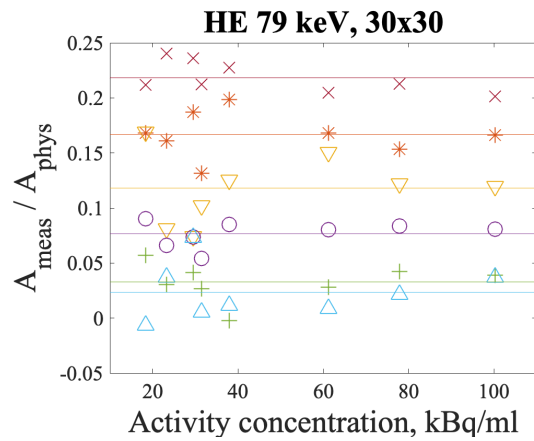
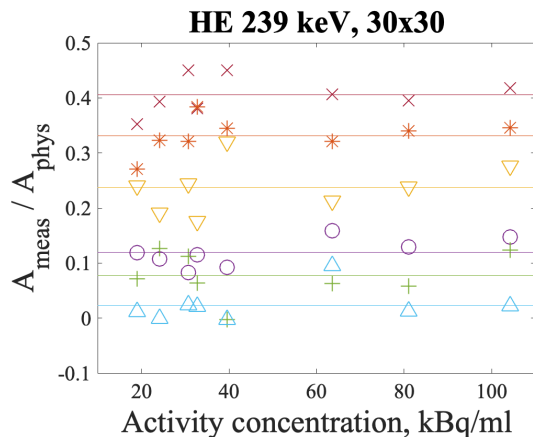
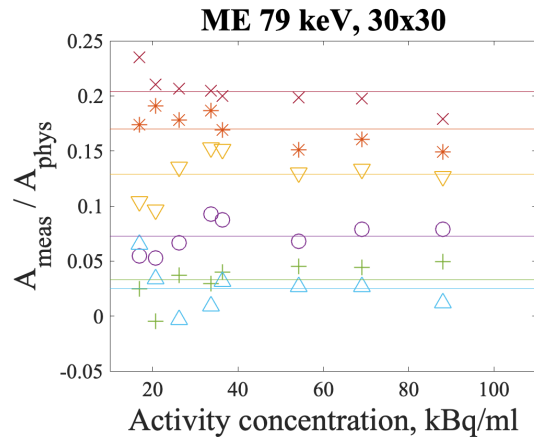
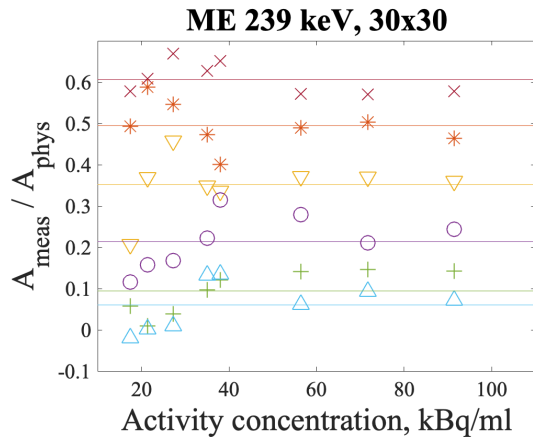
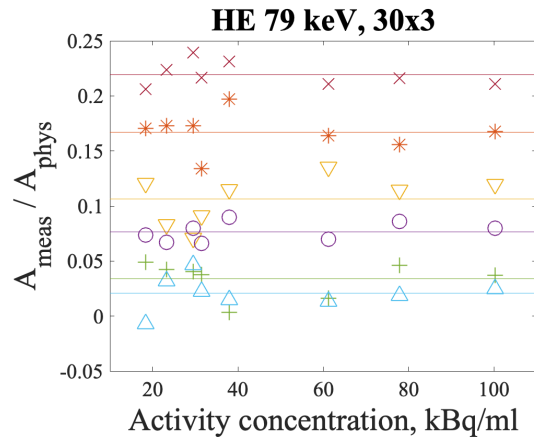
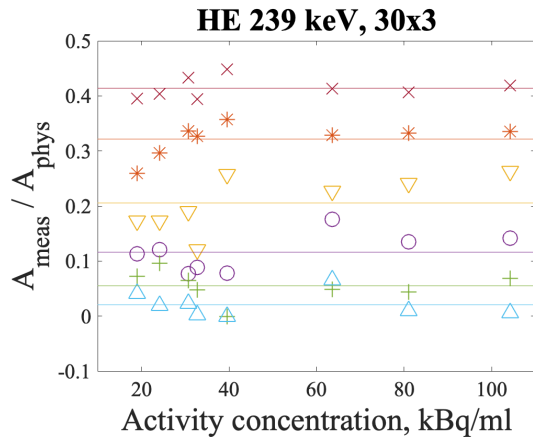
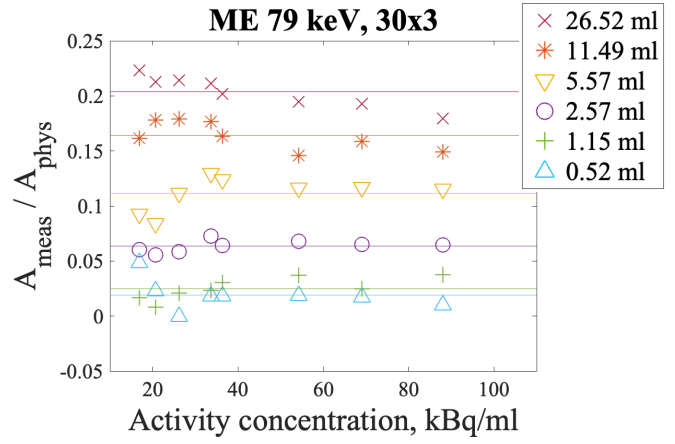
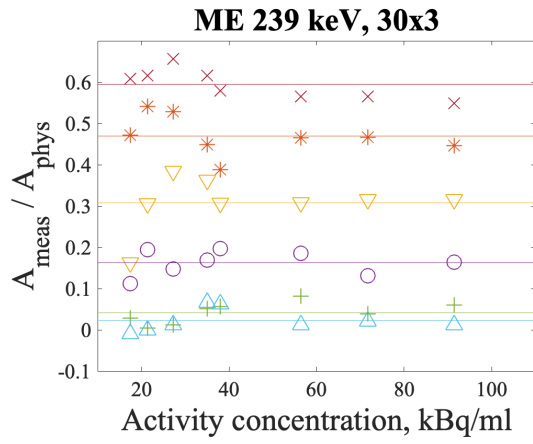


Measured activity in the spheres by physical activity in the spheres with a 12 mm Gaussian filter applied:

The measured activity in each sphere divided by the known, physical activity in each sphere plotted against activity concentration. The figure shows the results found with all filtered reconstructions for the different imaging protocols. The mean value for each sphere volume is shown as a line. Note that the x-axes are the same, but the values on the y-axes differ.

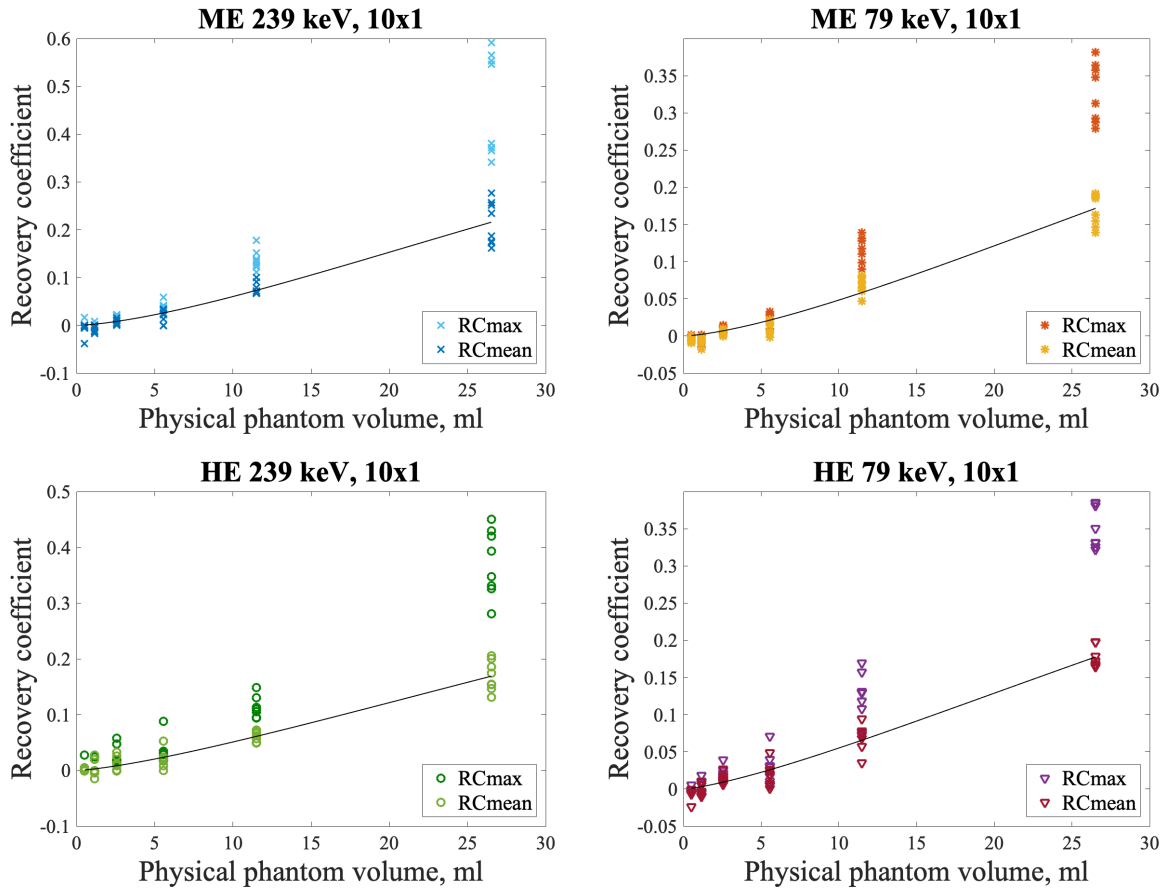




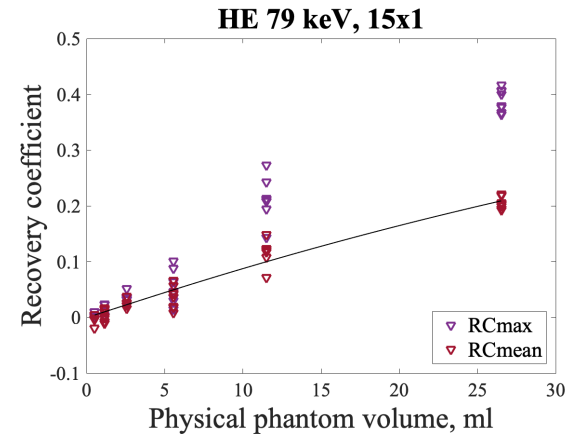
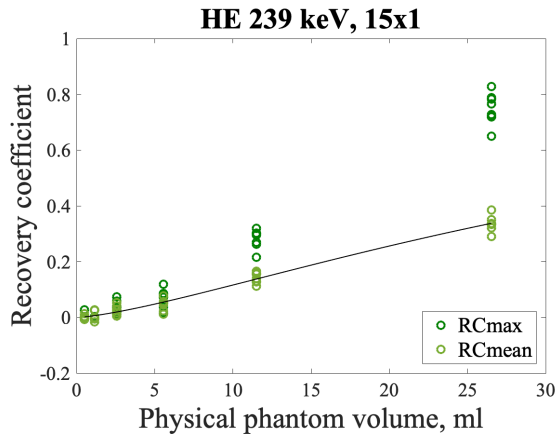
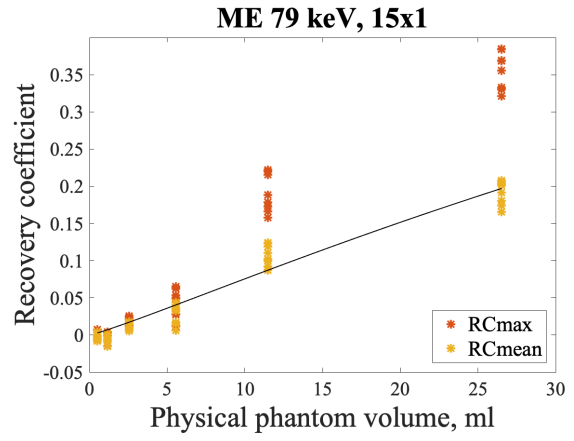
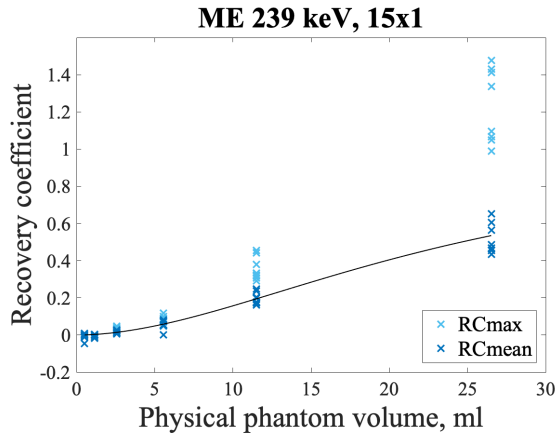


RC fits for all filtered reconstructions:

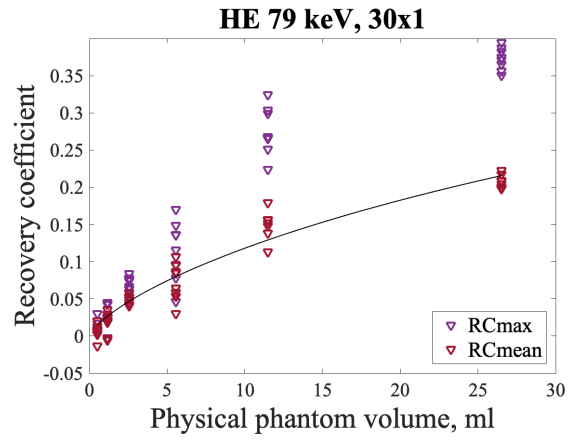
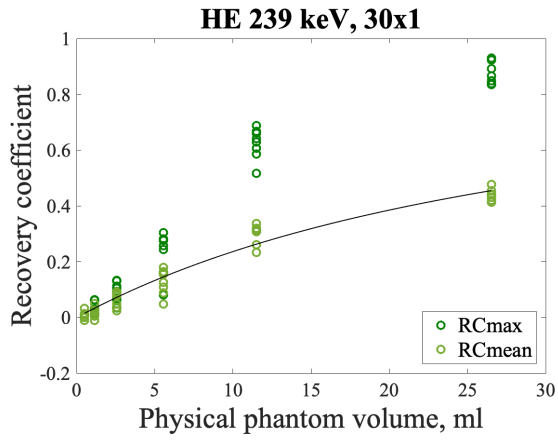
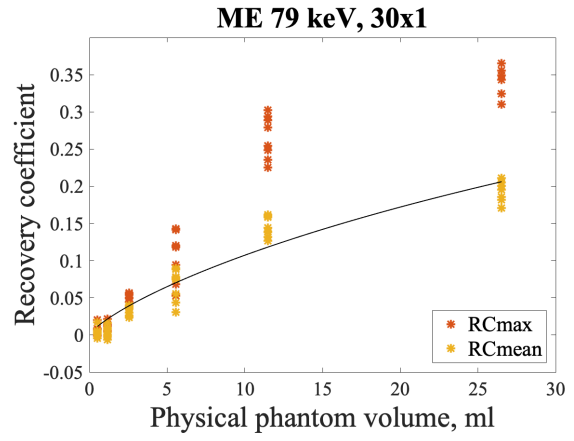
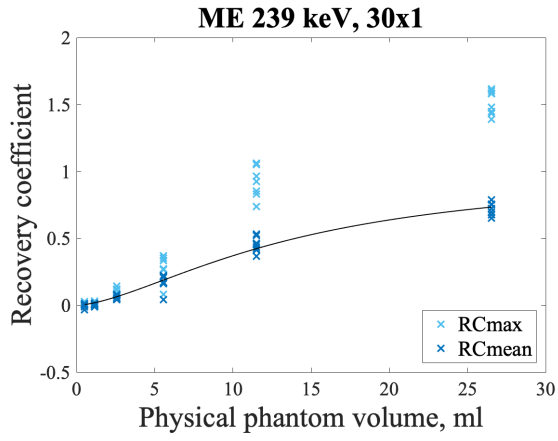
RC_{mean} and RC_{max} plotted for the four imaging protocols for all the filtered reconstructions. Curve fits applied to RC_{mean} are also plotted. The fitting parameters and their associated uncertainties are presented in tables for each reconstruction. Note that the y-axes differ.



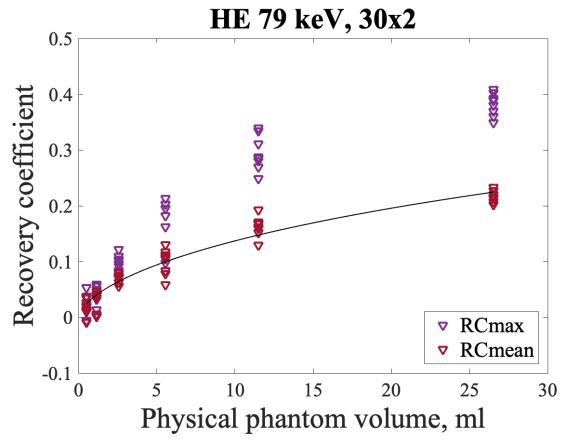
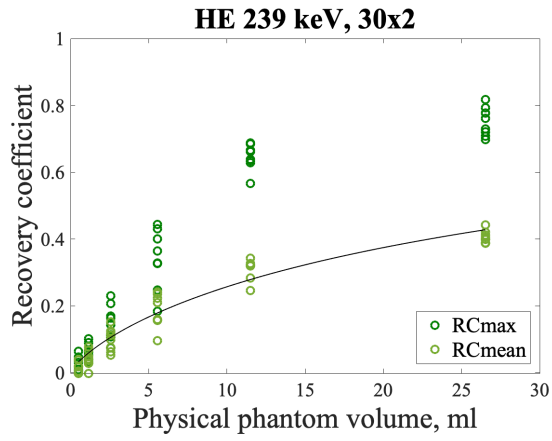
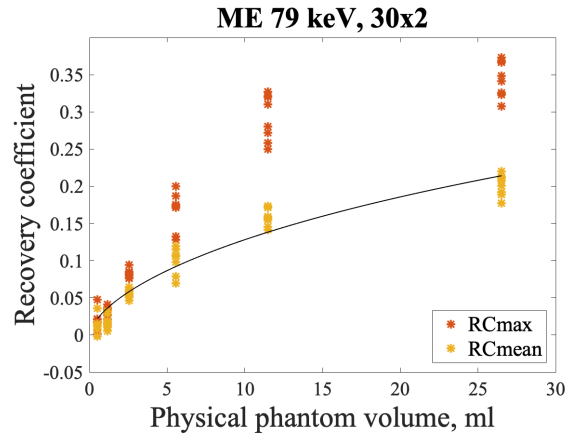
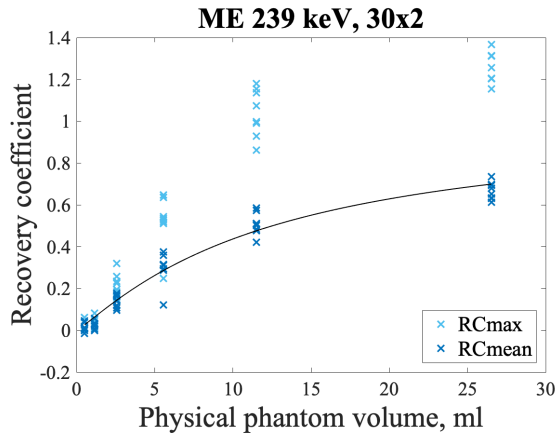
RC _{mean} , 10x1	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	62.99 ml	5.066 ml	8%
	b_2	1.491	0.111	7%
ME 79 keV	b_1	79.02 ml	5.903 ml	7%
	b_2	1.441	0.084	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	85.31 ml	7.707 ml	9%
	b_2	1.363	0.089	7%
HE 79 keV	b_1	83.12 ml	6.176 ml	7%
	b_2	1.341	0.073	5%



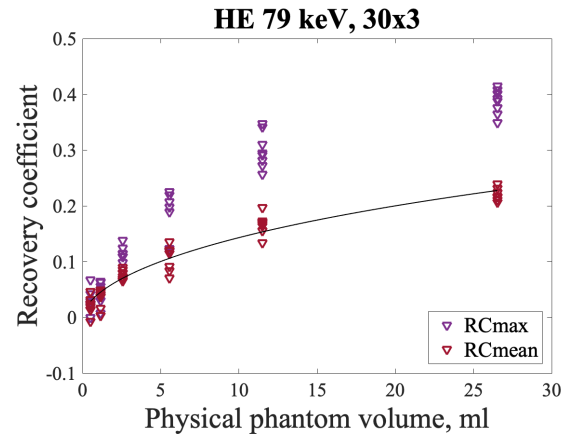
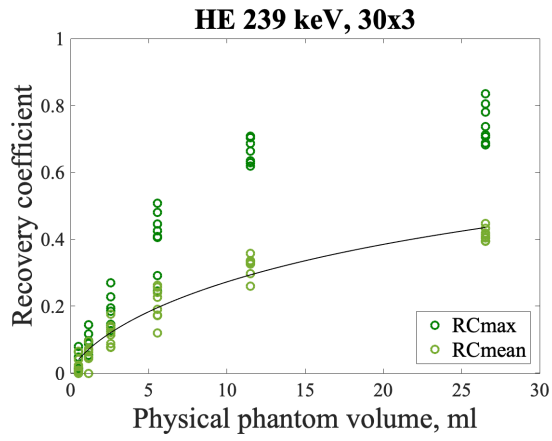
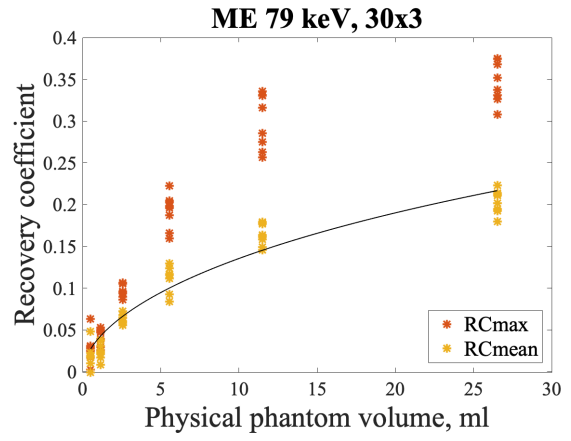
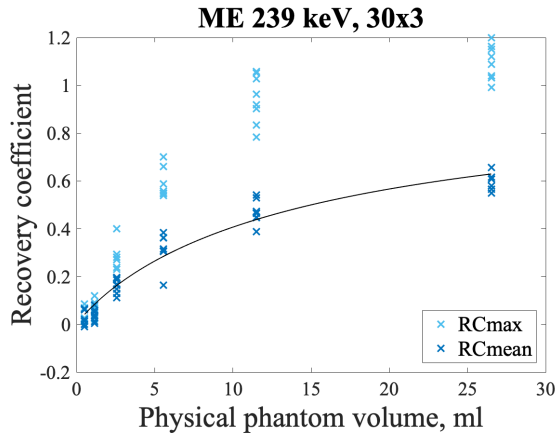
RC _{mean} , 15x1	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	24.61 ml	0.658 ml	3%
	b_2	1.865	0.099	5%
ME 79 keV	b_1	92.19 ml	8.222 ml	9%
	b_2	1.127	0.064	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	43.11 ml	1.492 ml	3%
	b_2	1.388	0.055	4%
HE 79 keV	b_1	95.47 ml	8.582 ml	9%
	b_2	1.039	0.0556	5%



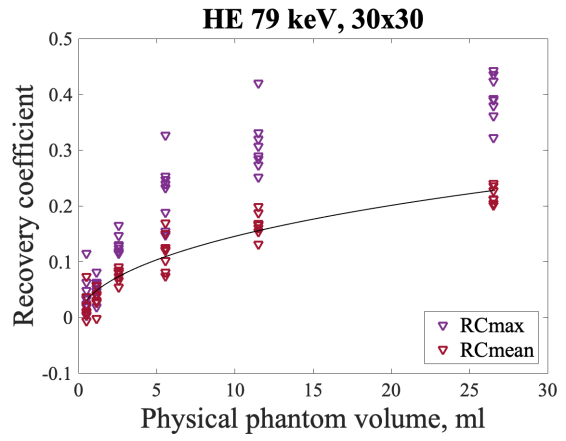
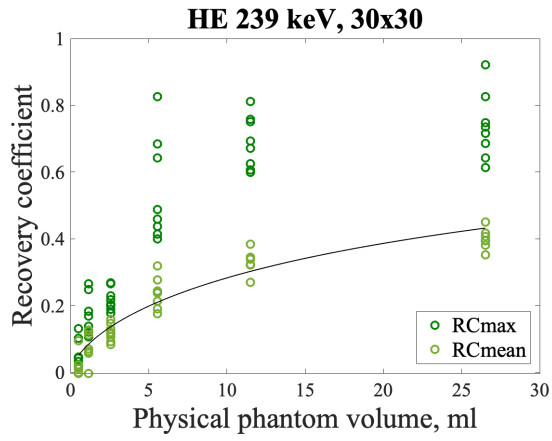
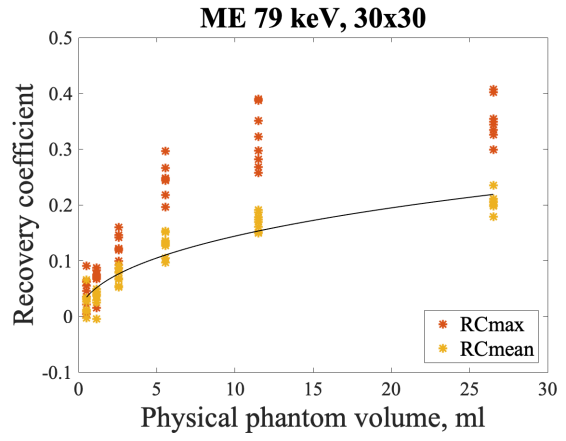
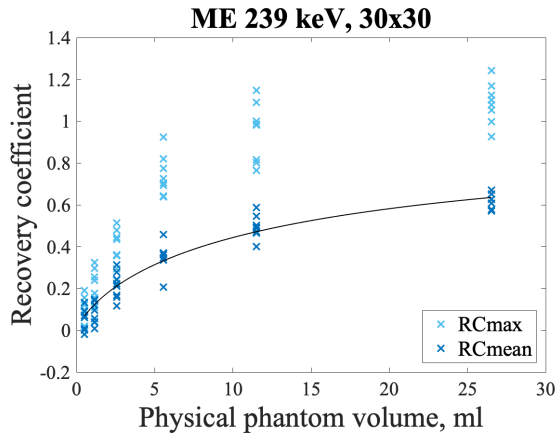
RC _{mean} , 30x1	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	14.00 ml	0.383 ml	3%
	b_2	1.583	0.068	4%
ME 79 keV	b_1	146.3 ml	19.898 ml	14%
	b_2	0.7895	0.047	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	31.70 ml	1.60 ml	5%
	b_2	1.018	0.0496	5%
HE 79 keV	b_1	152.4 ml	19.46 ml	13%
	b_2	0.7381	0.0392	5%



RC _{mean} , 30x2	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	12.52 ml	0.5179 ml	4%
	b_2	1.125	0.055	5%
ME 79 keV	b_1	206.7 ml	30.689 ml	15%
	b_2	0.633	0.033	5%
HE 239 keV	b_1	38.34 ml	2.824 ml	7%
	b_2	0.7897	0.0412	5%
HE 79 keV	b_1	199.2 ml	27.96 ml	14%
	b_2	0.6145	0.0303	5%



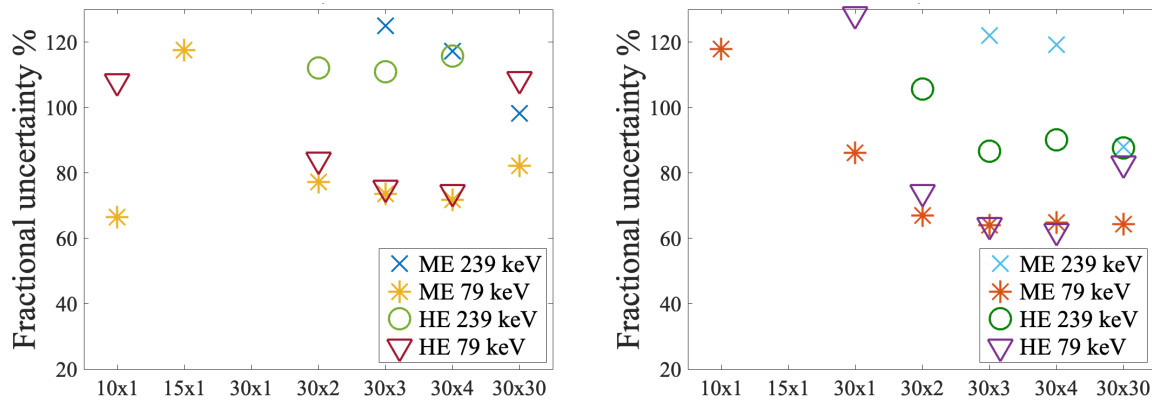
RC _{mean} , 30x3	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	15.00 ml	0.7526 ml	5%
	b_2	0.9285	0.0471	5%
ME 79 keV	b_1	240.3 ml	37.526 ml	16%
	b_2	0.5828	0.0297	5%
HE 239 keV	b_1	37.79 ml	2.893 ml	8%
	b_2	0.7384	0.0380	5%
HE 79 keV	b_1	216.0 ml	30.791 ml	14%
	b_2	0.5825	0.0279	5%



RC _{mean} , 30x30	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
ME 239 keV	b_1	13.25 ml	0.8673 ml	7%
	b_2	0.8011	0.0477	6%
ME 79 keV	b_1	302.4 ml	65.102 ml	22%
	b_2	0.5229	0.0332	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	39.75 ml	3.913 ml	10%
	b_2	0.673	0.0407	6%
HE 79 keV	b_1	232.7 ml	44.362 ml	19%
	b_2	0.5626	0.0348	6%

Fractional uncertainties on RCs for the smallest sphere with a 12 mm Gaussian filter applied:

Fractional uncertainties on activity quantitation in small volumes using mean counts (left) and using maximum counts (right) plotted for the four imaging protocols against reconstruction updates for the smallest spheres on filtered images. The plots for this sphere was not included in the paper as the uncertainties all exceed 60%.



Supplementary figures and tables for images without a filter applied:

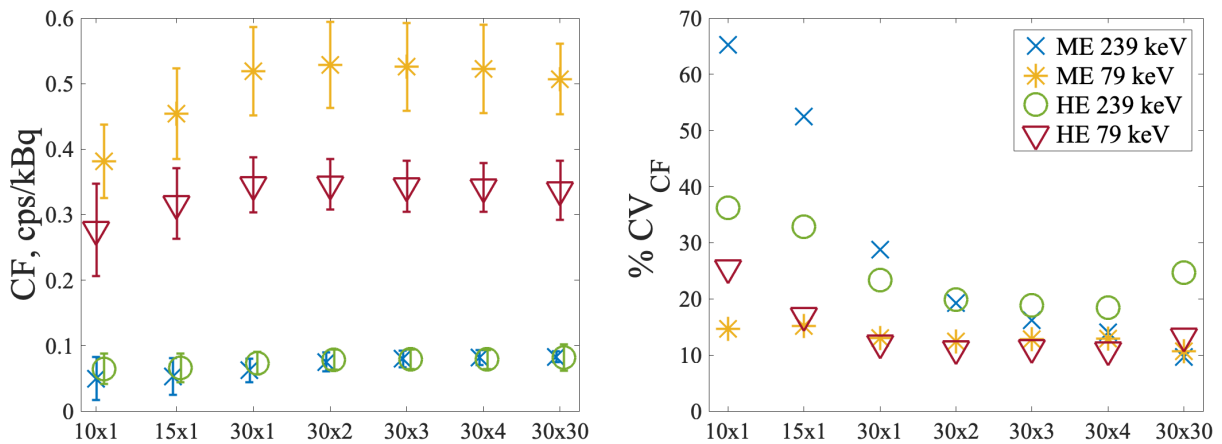
Calibration factors [cps/kBq], no filter:

Calibration factors [cps/kBq] for the four imaging protocols for all the unfiltered reconstructions with standard deviations.

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ME 79 keV	0.38 ±0.06	0.45 ±0.07	0.52 ±0.06	0.53 ±0.06	0.53 ±0.06	0.52 ±0.06	0.51 ±0.05
HE 79 keV	0.28 ±0.03	0.32 ±0.03	0.35 ±0.03	0.35 ±0.03	0.34 ±0.03	0.34 ±0.03	0.34 ±0.03
ME 239 keV	0.05 ±0.03	0.05 ±0.02	0.06 ±0.01	0.07 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01
HE 239 keV	0.06 ±0.02	0.07 ±0.02	0.07 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.01	0.08 ±0.02

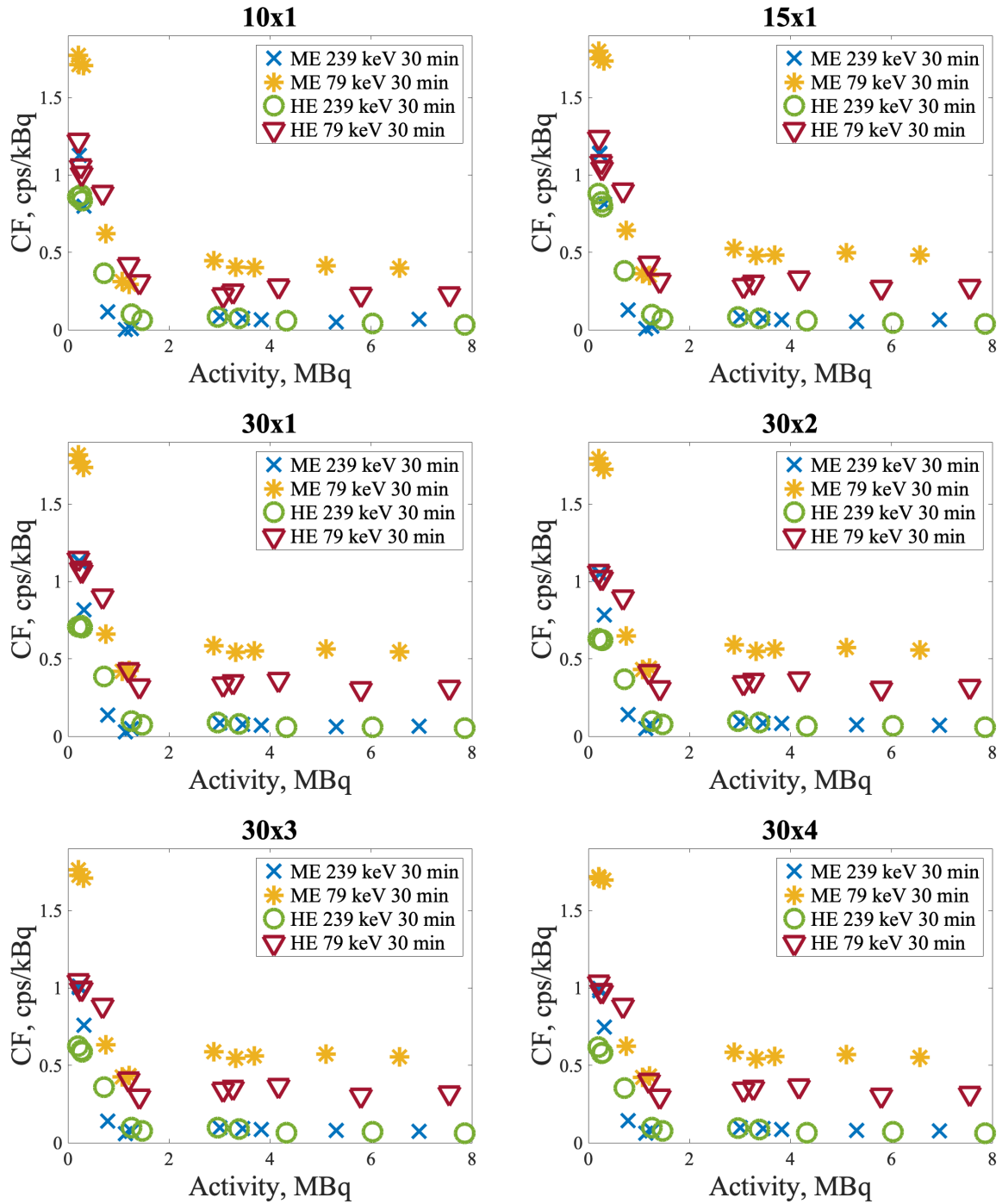
Calibration factors plotted against reconstructions and the associated coefficient of variation for unfiltered images:

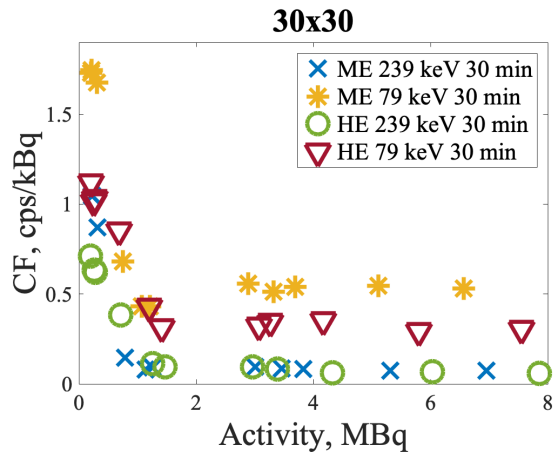
To the left, the CFs for unfiltered are plotted for the different reconstructions for the four imaging protocols. The error bars show the standard deviations. To the right the coefficients of variation are plotted for the four imaging protocols for all the reconstructions.



Calibration factor plots, no filter:

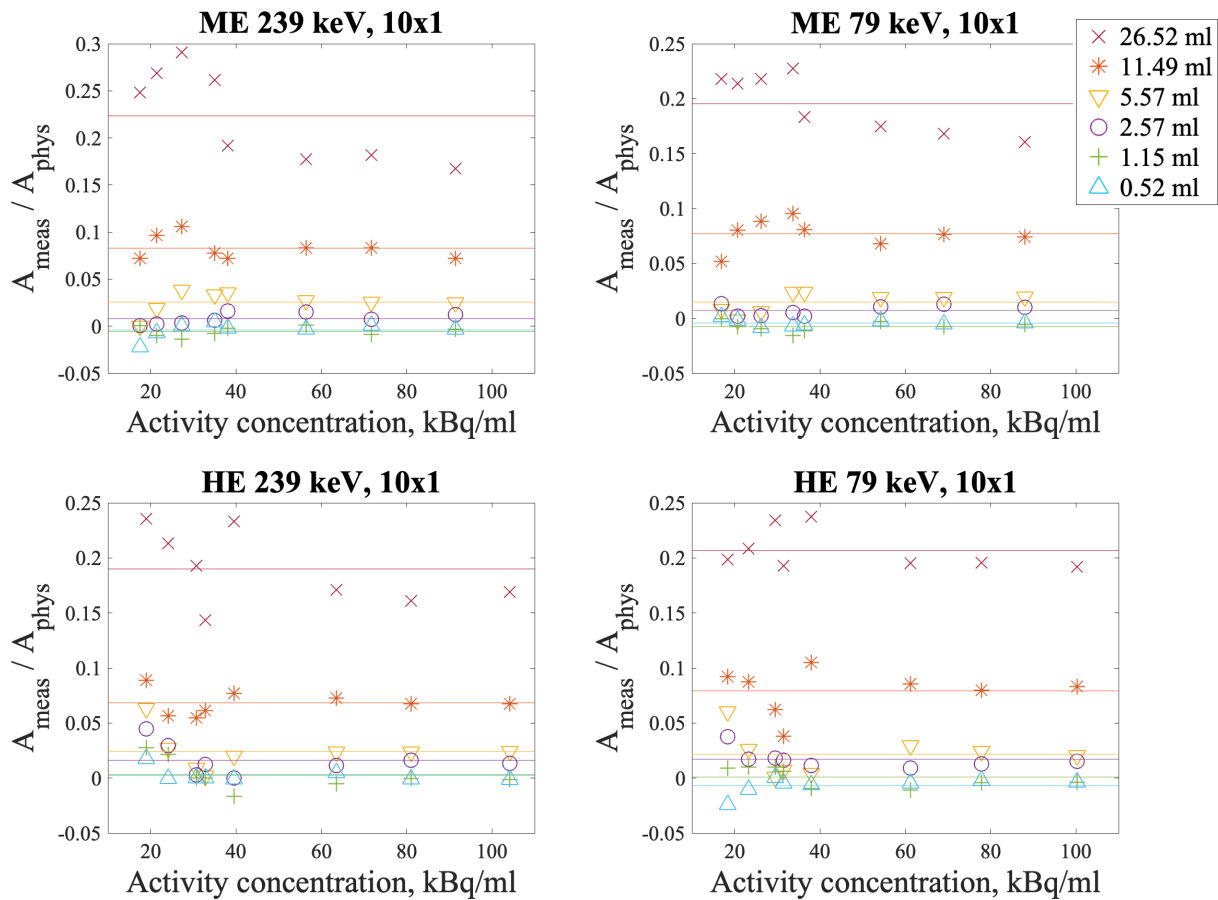
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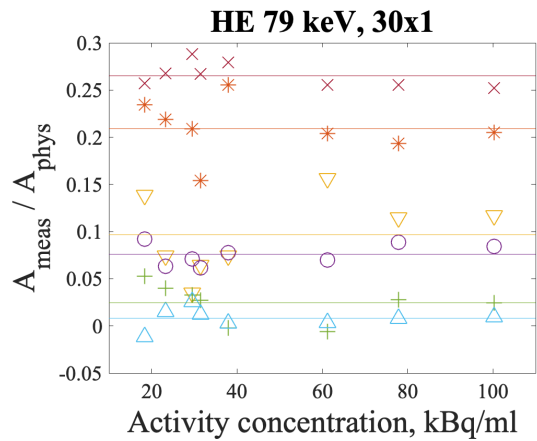
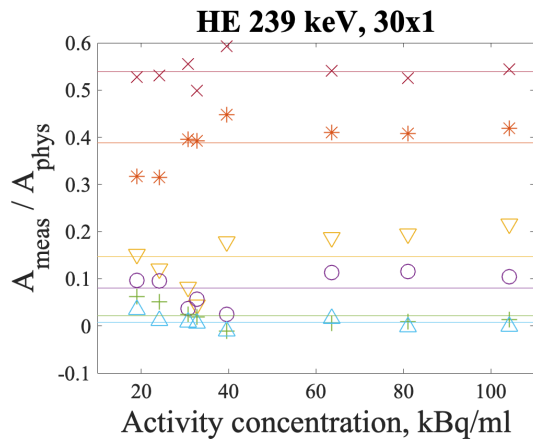
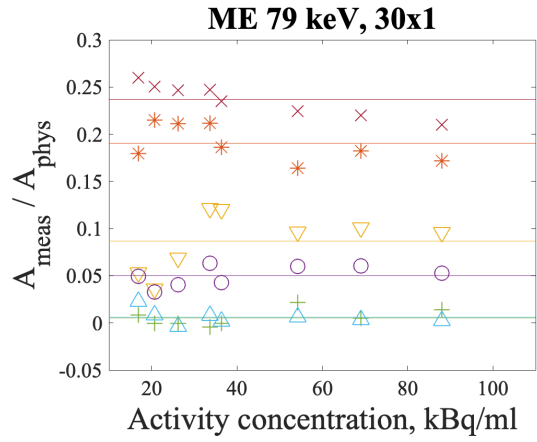
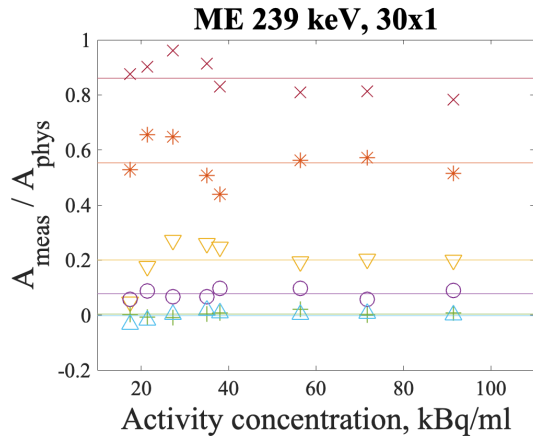
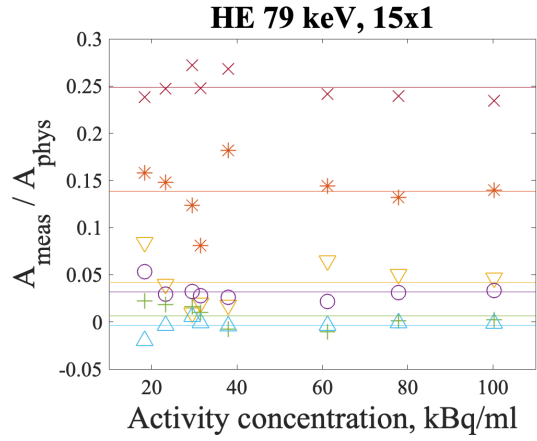
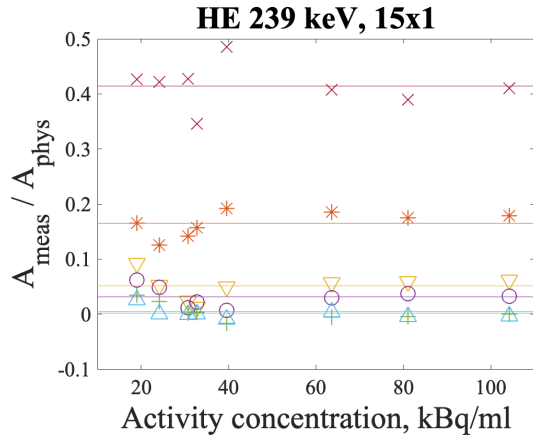
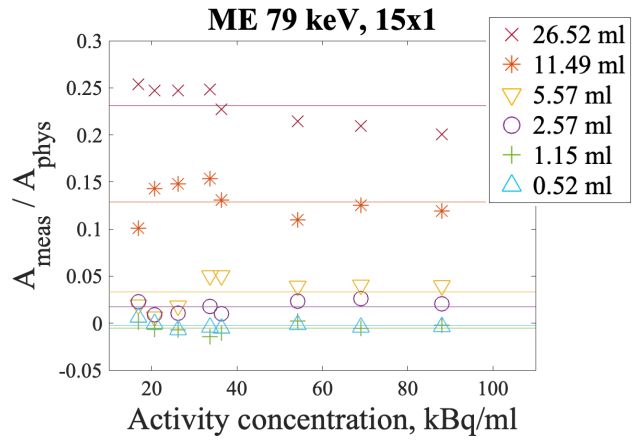
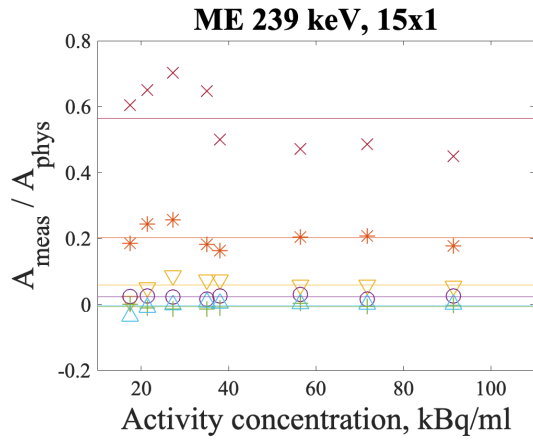


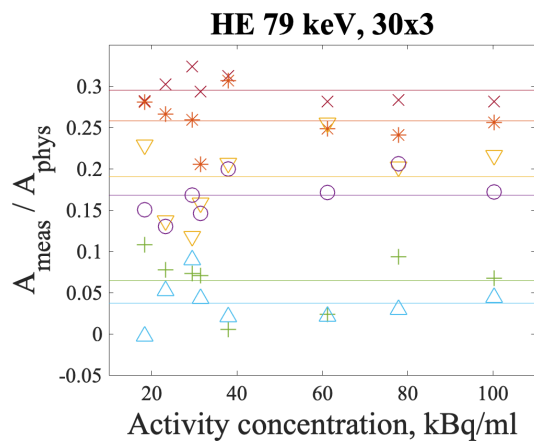
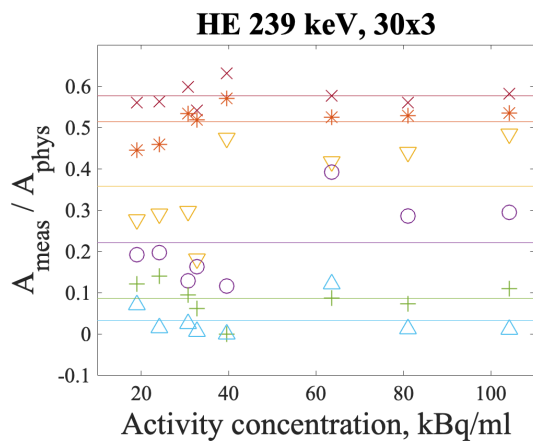
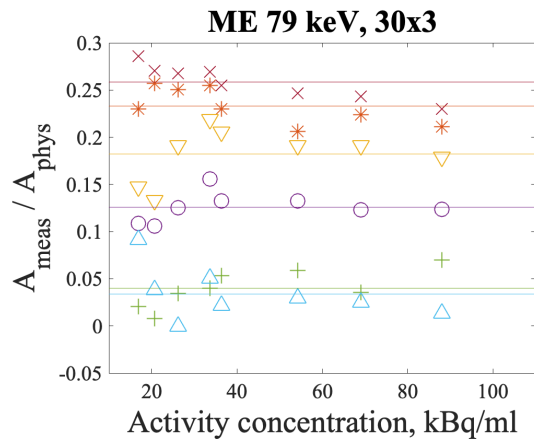
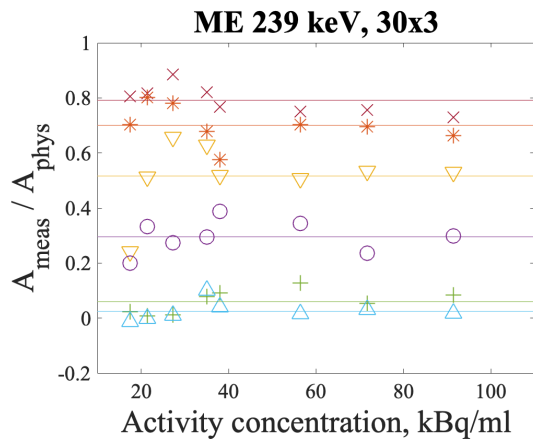
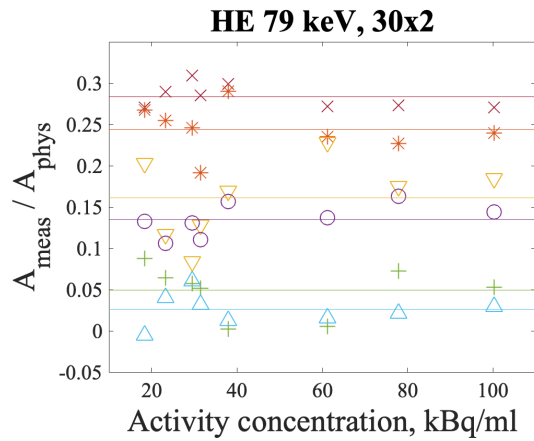
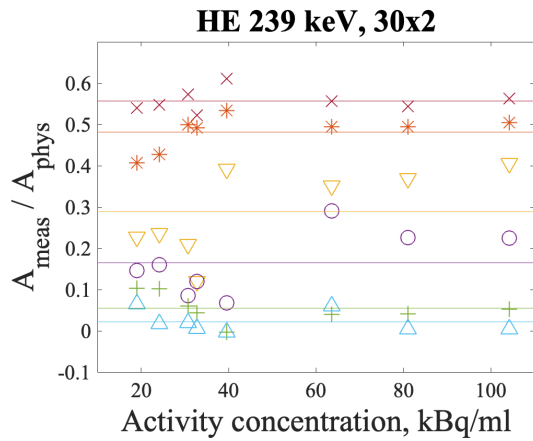
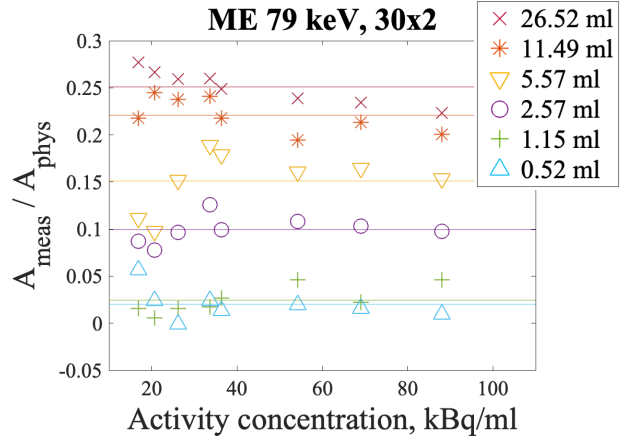
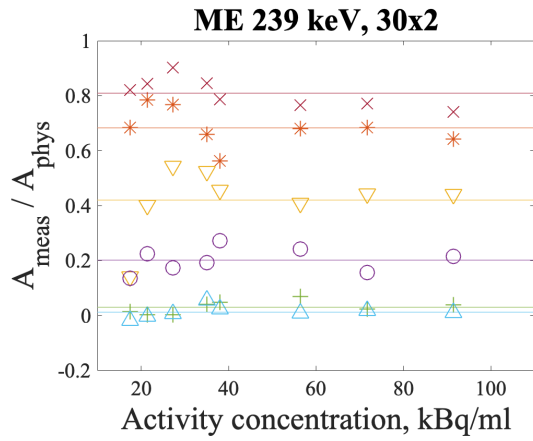


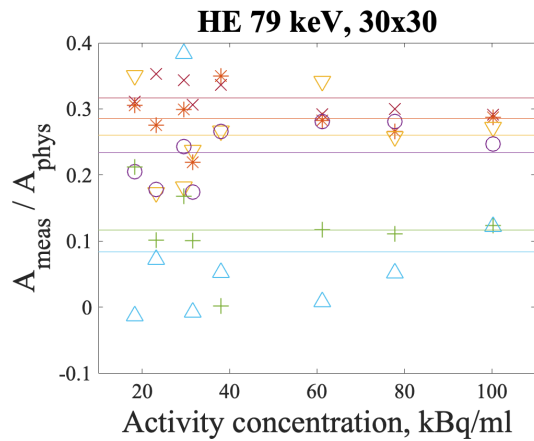
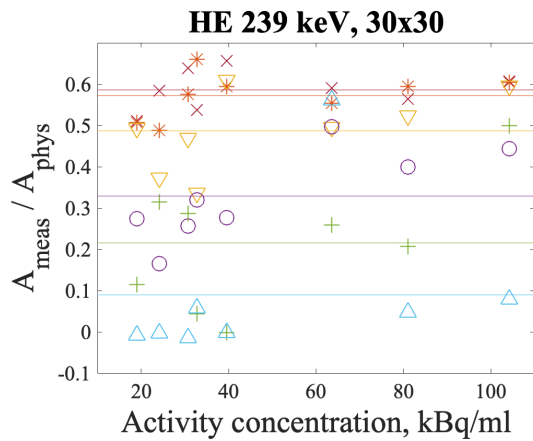
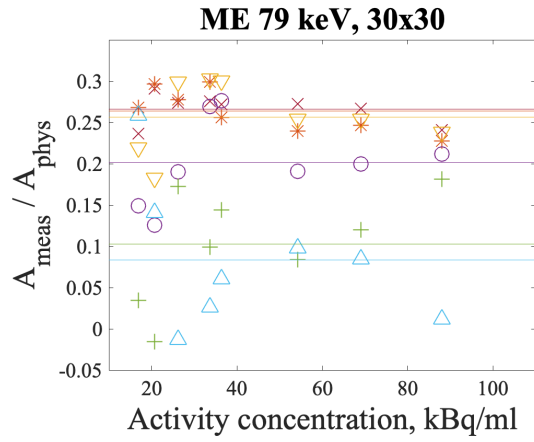
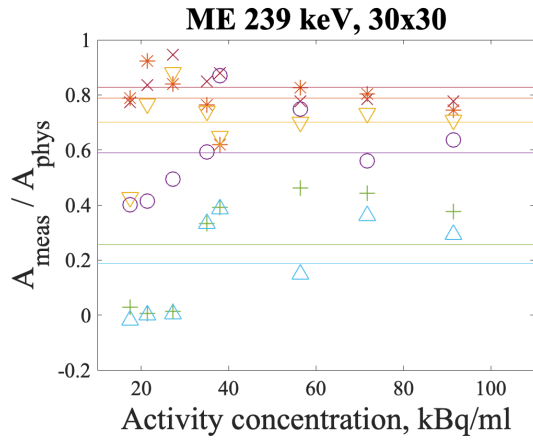
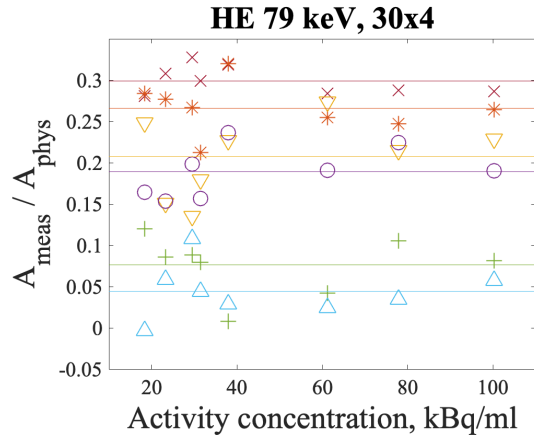
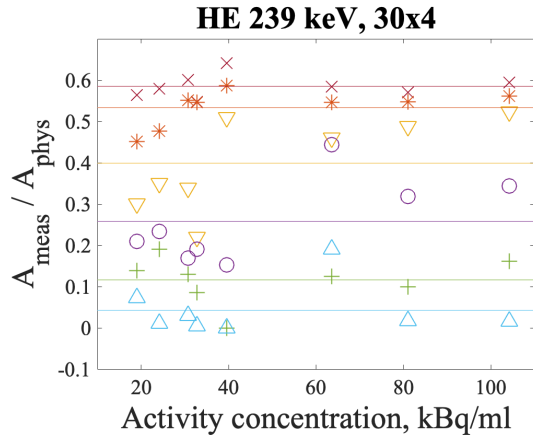
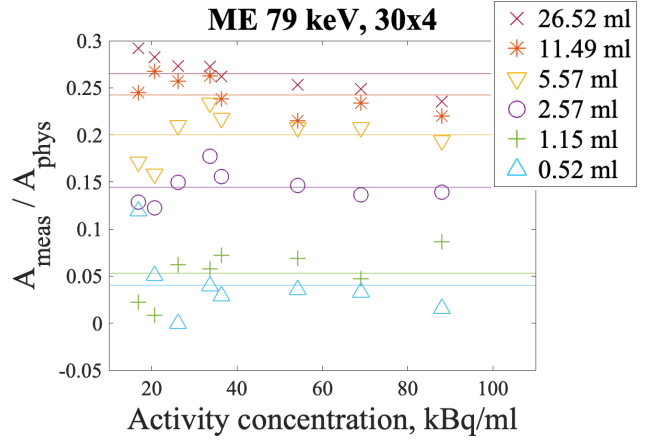
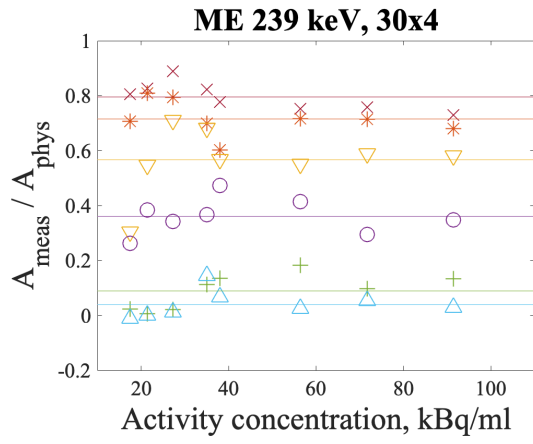
Measured activity in the spheres by physical activity in the spheres for unfiltered images:

The measured activity in each sphere divided by the known, physical activity in each sphere plotted against activity concentration. The figure shows the results found with all unfiltered reconstructions for the different imaging protocols. The mean value for each sphere volume is shown as a line. Note that the x-axes are the same, but the values on the y-axes differ.



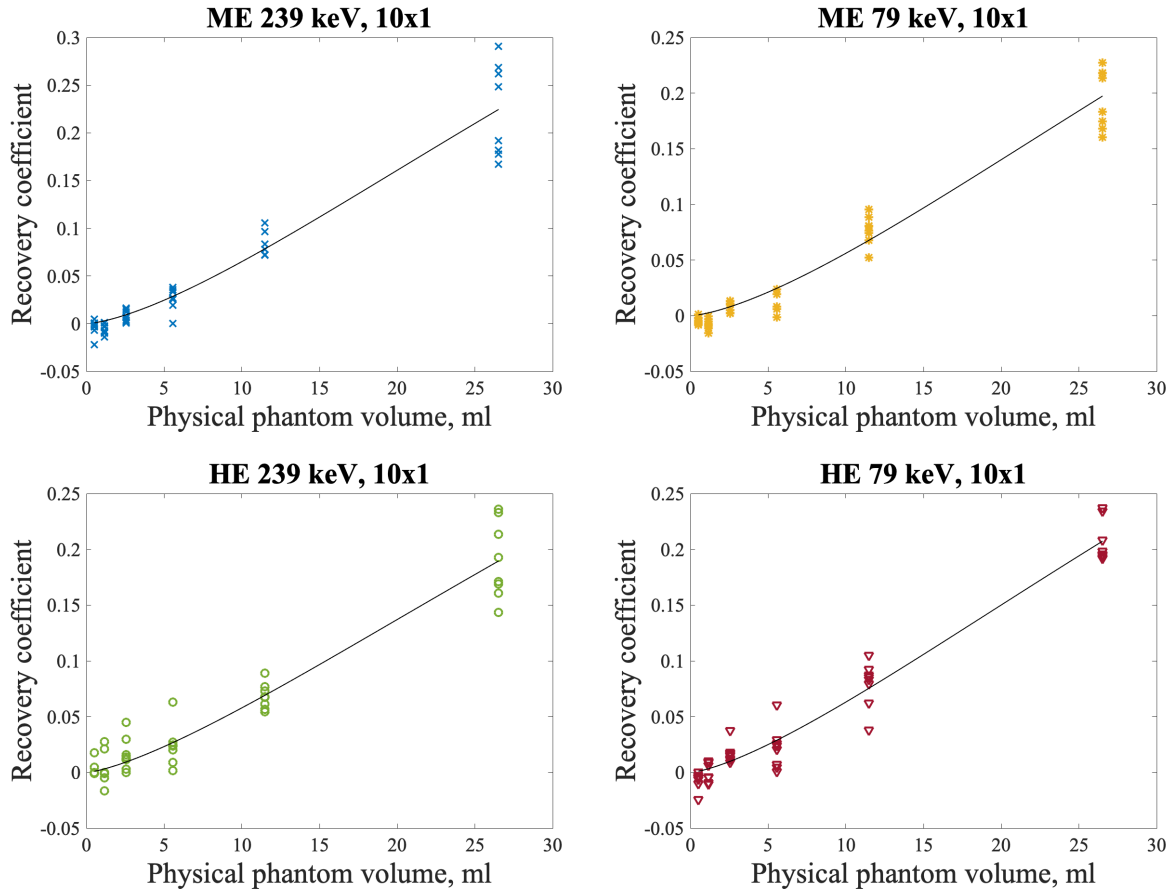




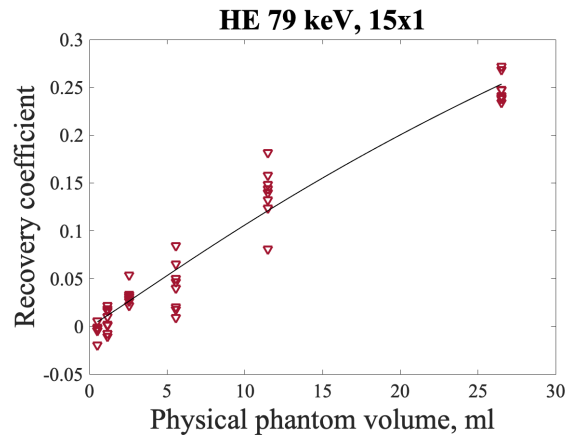
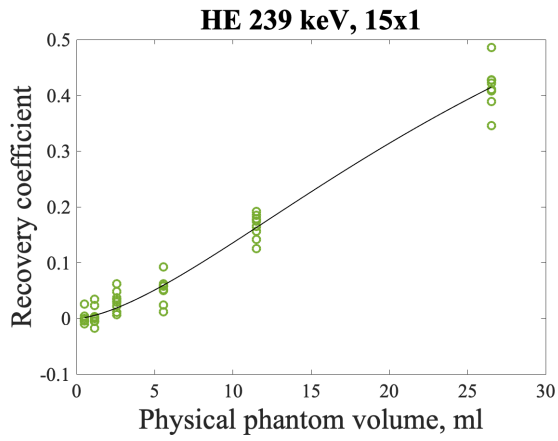
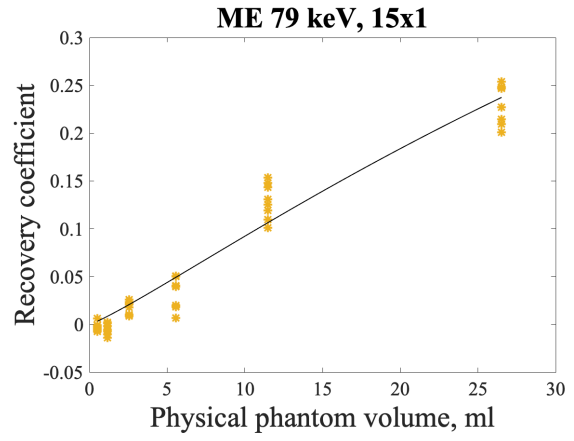
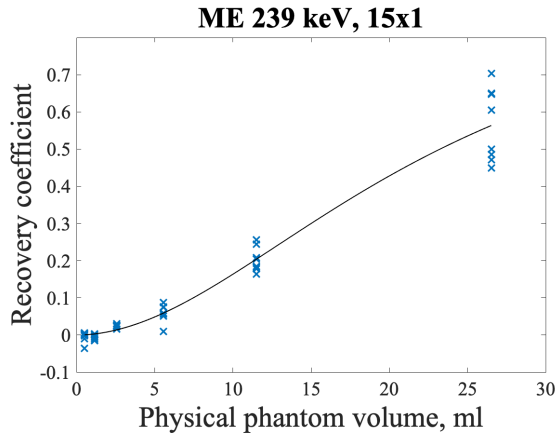


RC fits for all unfiltered reconstructions:

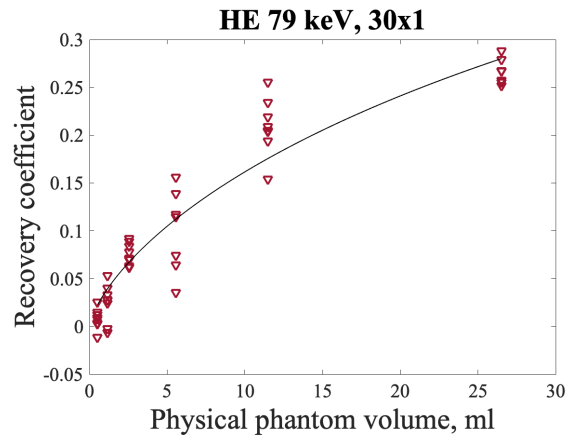
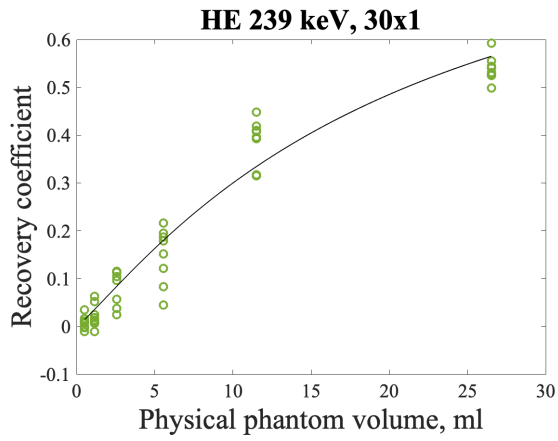
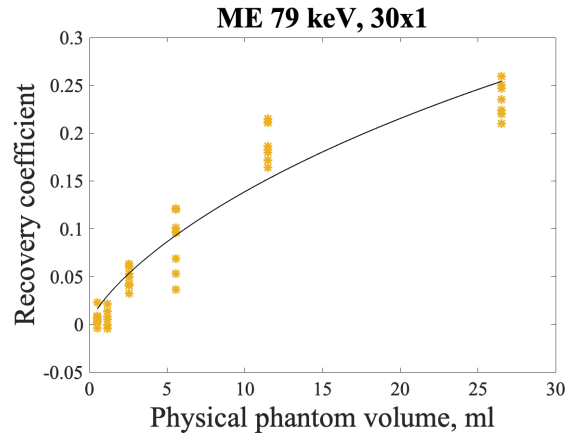
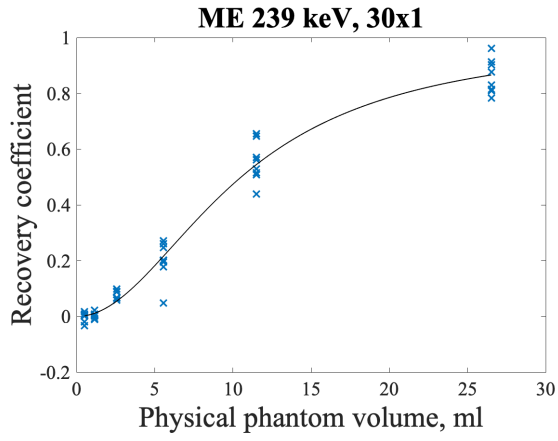
RC_{mean} plotted for the four imaging protocols for all the unfiltered reconstructions. Curve fits applied to RC_{mean} are also shown. Note that the y-axes differ. The fitting parameters and their associated uncertainties are presented in tables for each reconstruction.



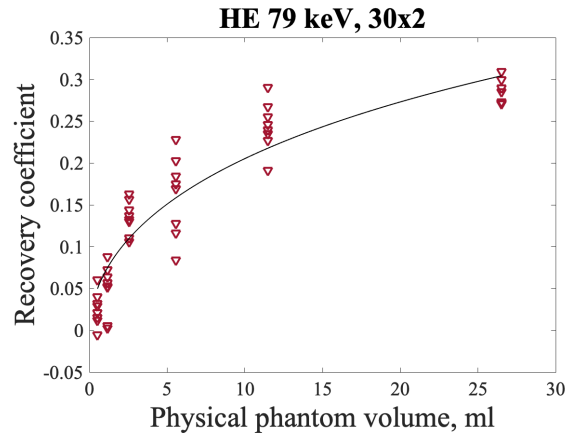
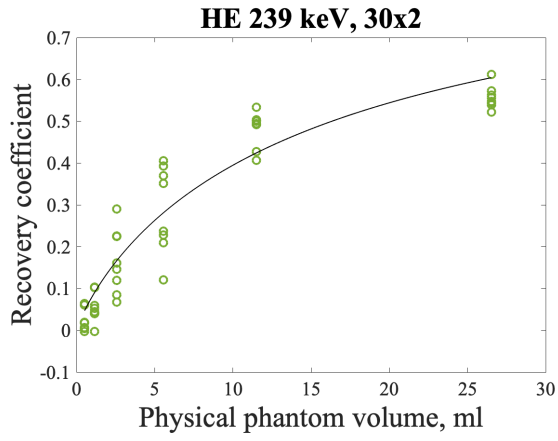
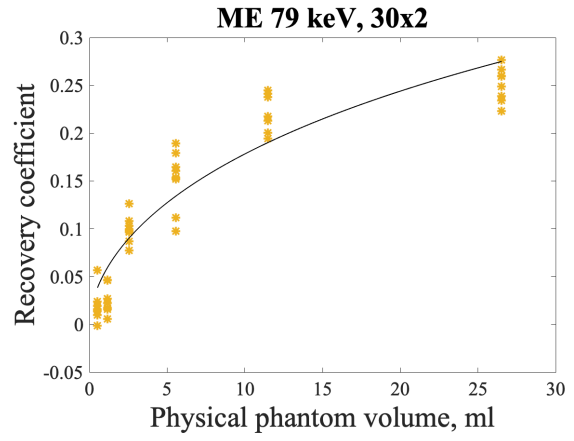
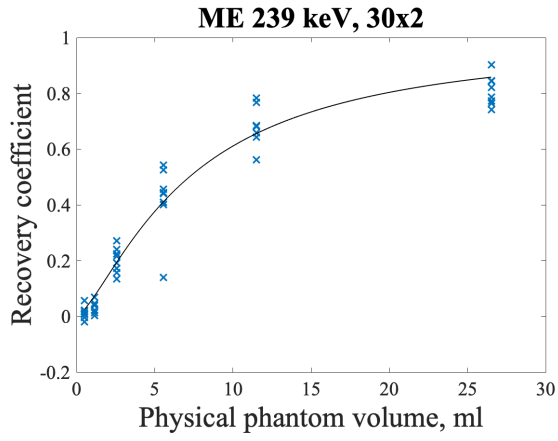
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ME 79 keV	b_1	69.48 ml	4.65 ml	7%
	b_2	1.456	0.083	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	76.55 ml	7.18 ml	9%
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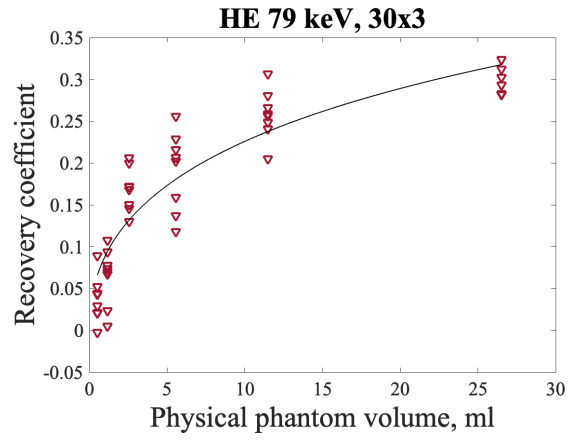
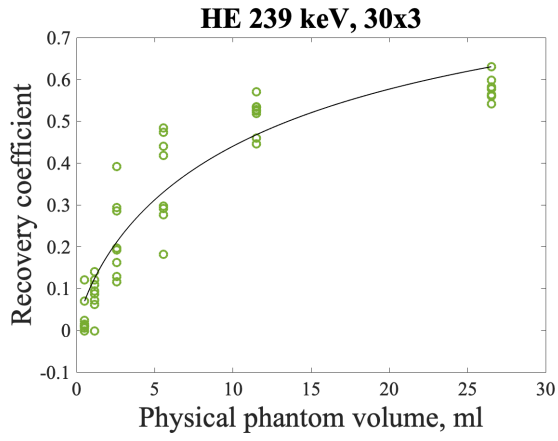
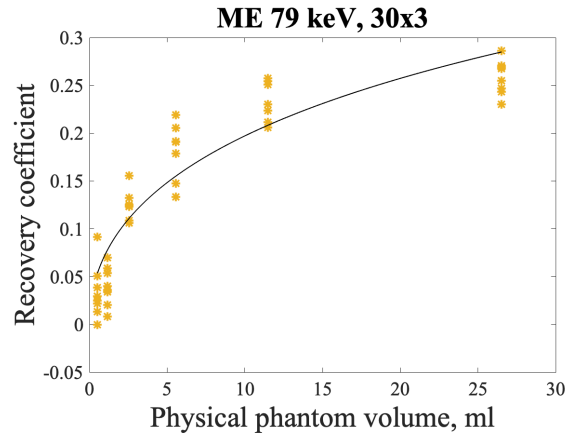
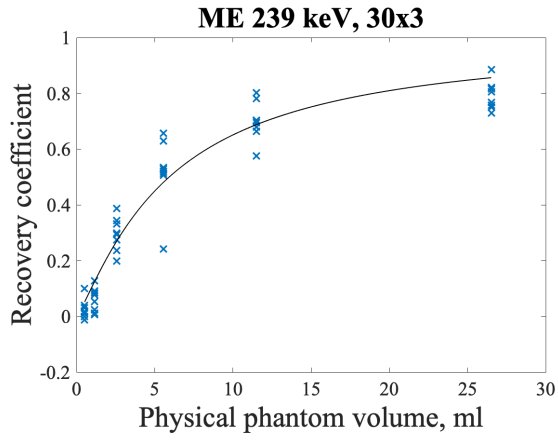
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ME 79 keV	b_1	73.27 ml	5.64 ml	8%
	b_2	1.148	0.064	6%
HE 239 keV	b_1	33.17 ml	0.94 ml	3%
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HE 79 keV	b_1	72.24 ml	5.83 ml	8%
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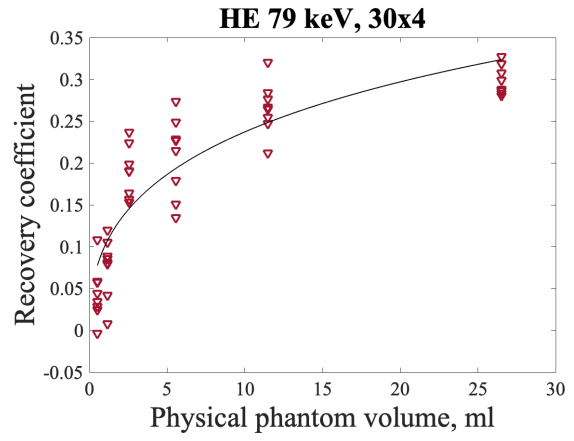
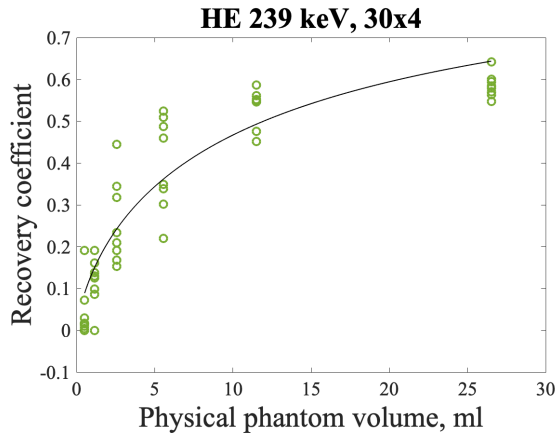
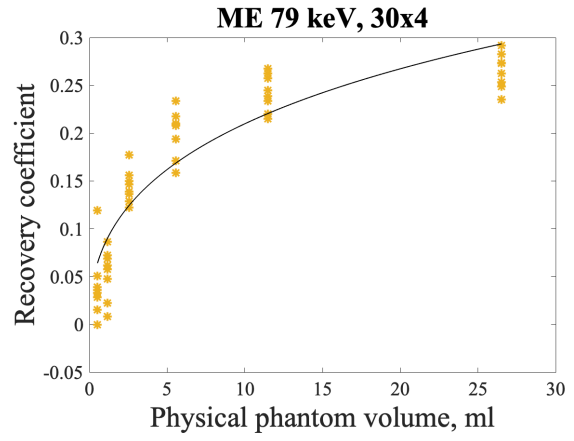
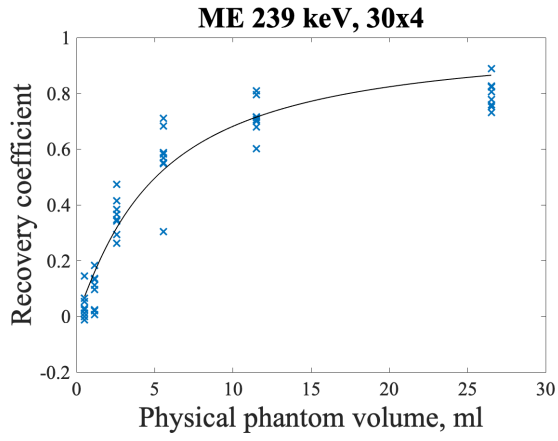
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ME 79 keV	b_1	107.7 ml	15.1 ml	14%
	b_2	0.768	0.051	7%
HE 239 keV	b_1	21.07 ml	0.99 ml	5%
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HE 79 keV	b_1	98.28 ml	13.63 ml	14%
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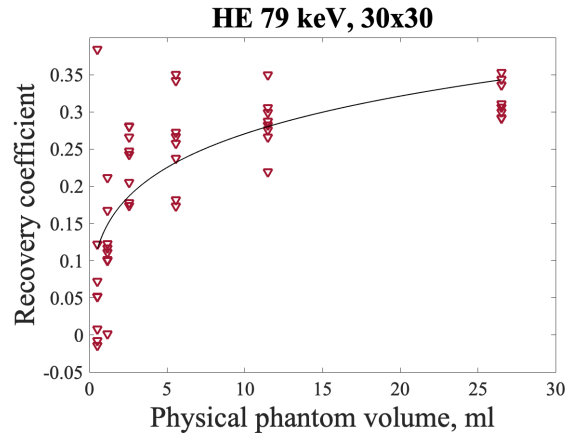
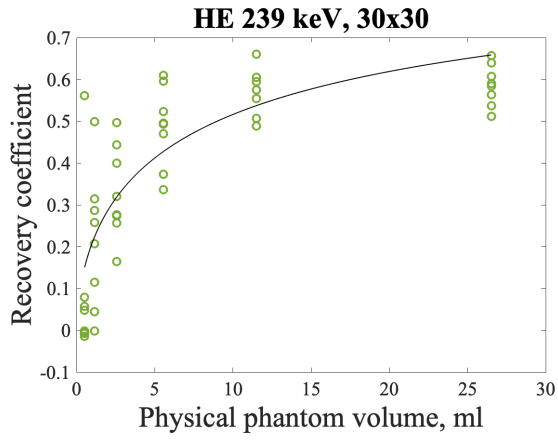
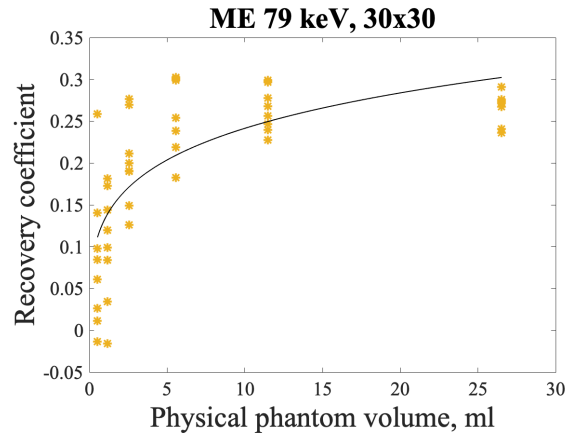
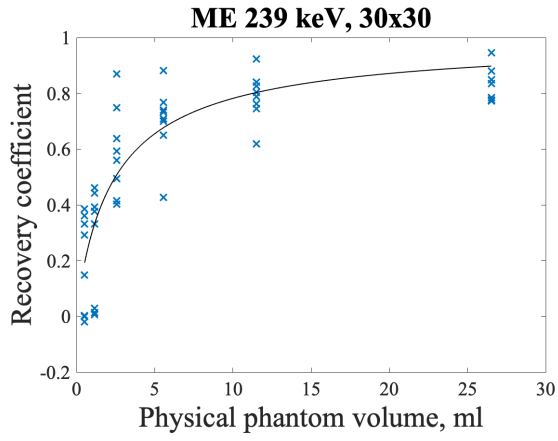
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ME 79 keV	b_1	144.1 ml	26.8 ml	19%
	b_2	0.5729	0.0397	7%
HE 239 keV	b_1	16.33 ml	1.23 ml	8%
	b_2	0.8709	0.0622	7%
HE 79 keV	b_1	122.7 ml	23.7 ml	19%
	b_2	0.5398	0.0395	7%



RC _{mean} , 30x3	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
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	b_2	1.19	0.08	7%
ME 79 keV	b_1	169.3 ml	37.9 ml	22%
	b_2	0.4963	0.0371	7%
HE 239 keV	b_1	13.54 ml	1.148 ml	8%
	b_2	0.7932	0.0606	8%
HE 79 keV	b_1	131.1 ml	29.8 ml	23%
	b_2	0.4786	0.0383	8%



RC _{mean} , 30x4	Parameter	Value	Standard error	Fractional standard error
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	b_2	1.123	0.081	7%
ME 79 keV	b_1	180.6 ml	45.2 ml	25%
	b_2	0.4583	0.0365	8%
HE 239 keV	b_1	11.96 ml	1.13 ml	9%
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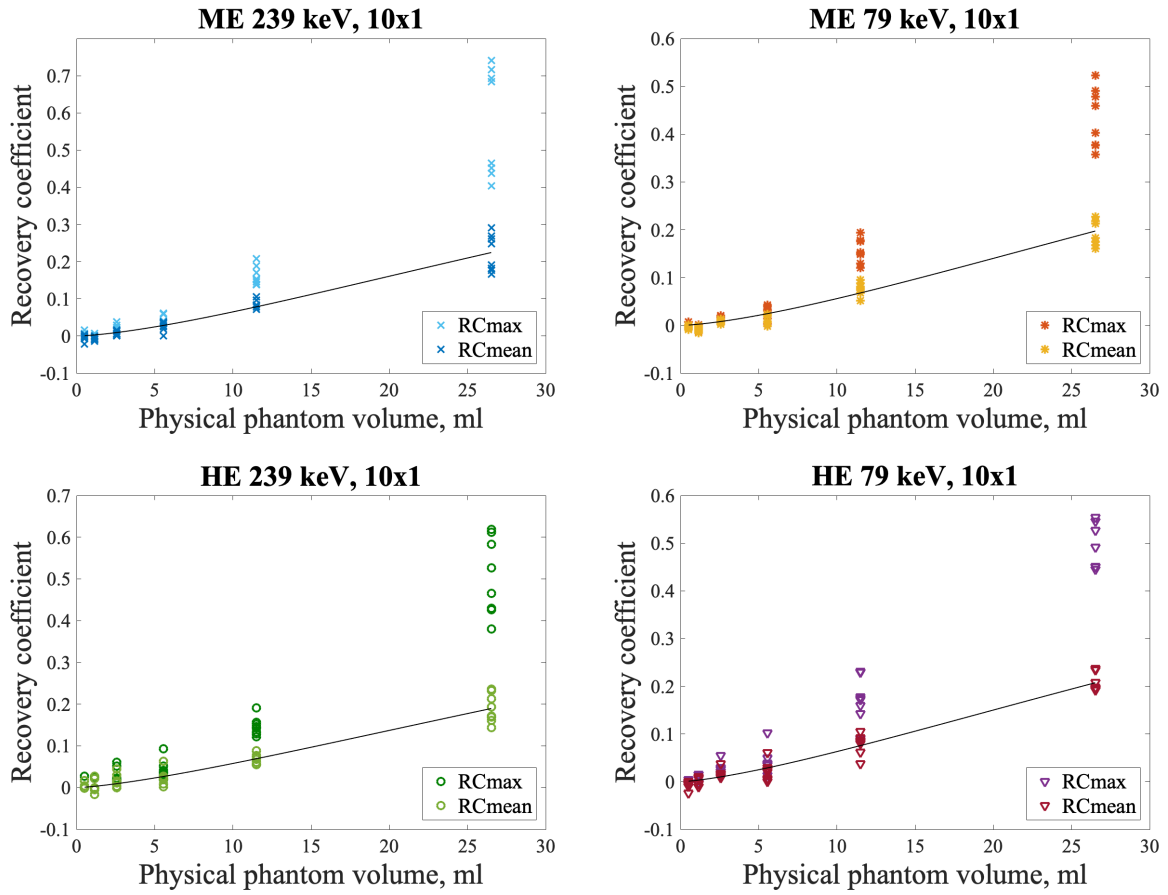


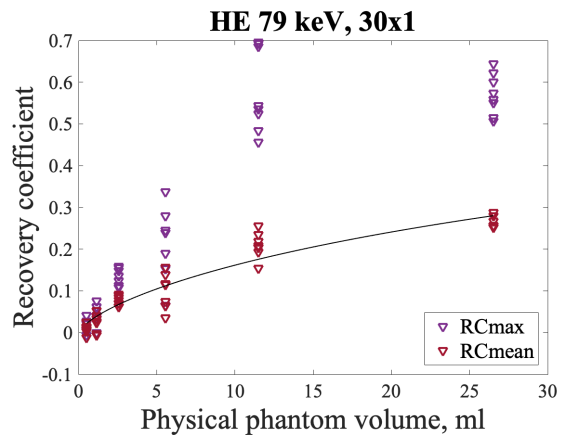
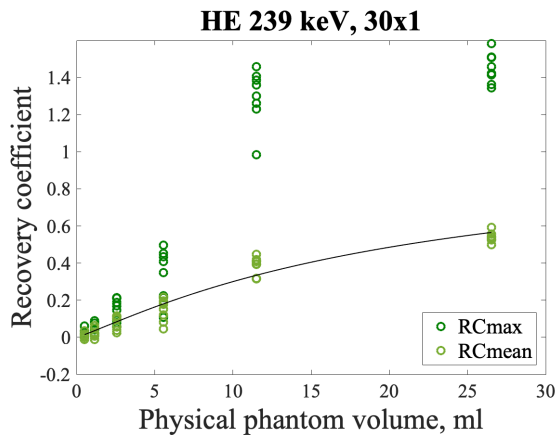
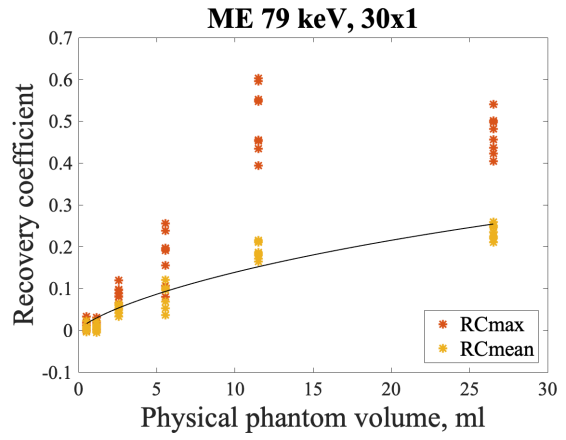
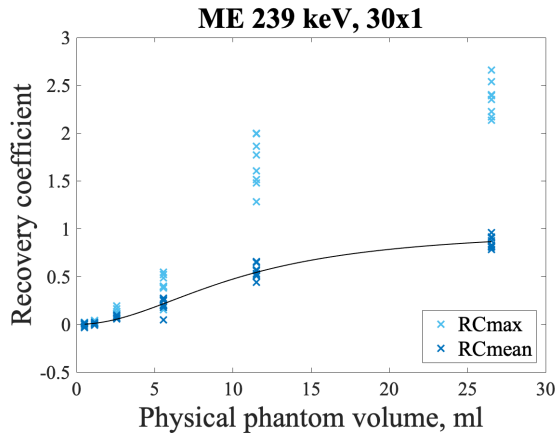
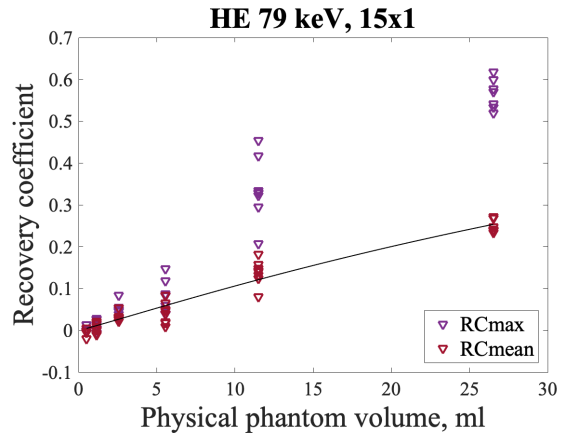
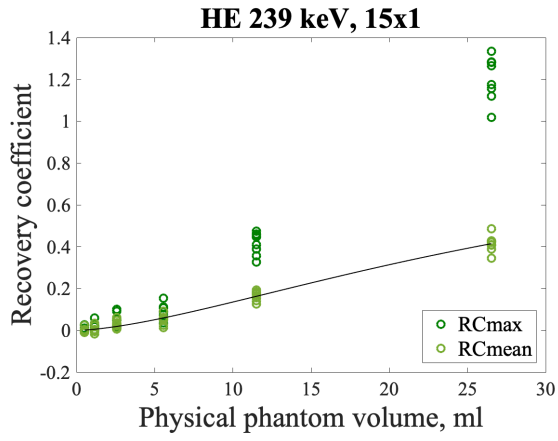
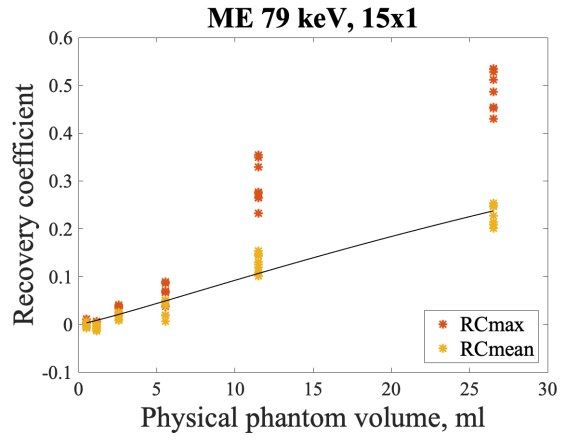
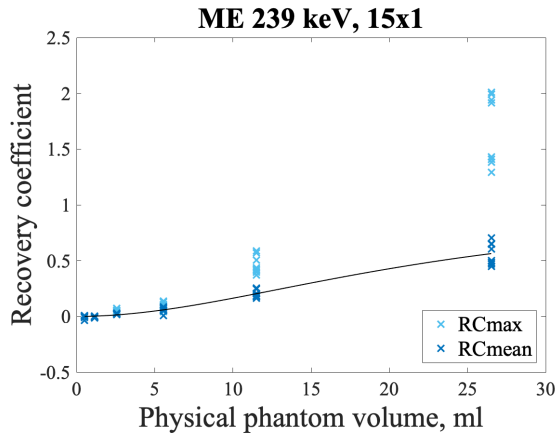
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ME 79 keV	b_1	374.8 ml	236.8 ml	63%
	b_2	0.3158	0.0479	15%
HE 239 keV	b_1	8.992 ml	1.438 ml	16%
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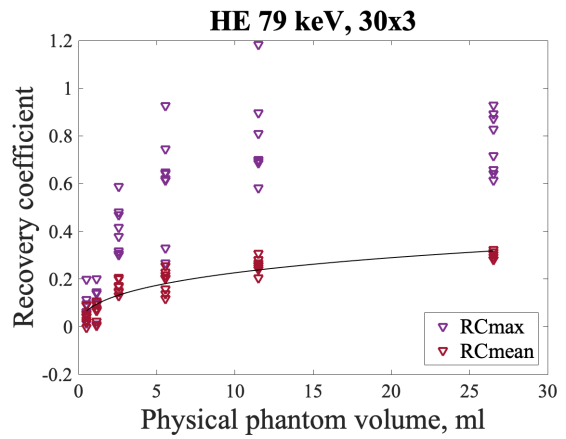
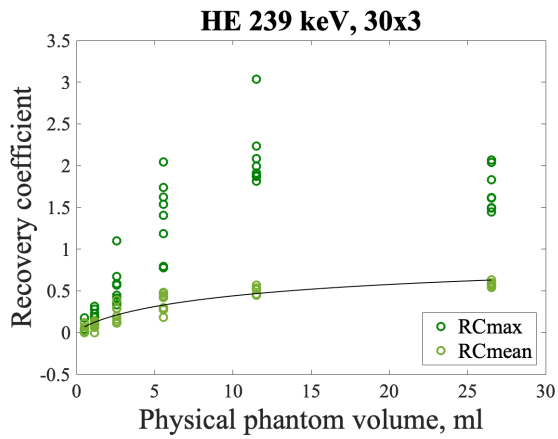
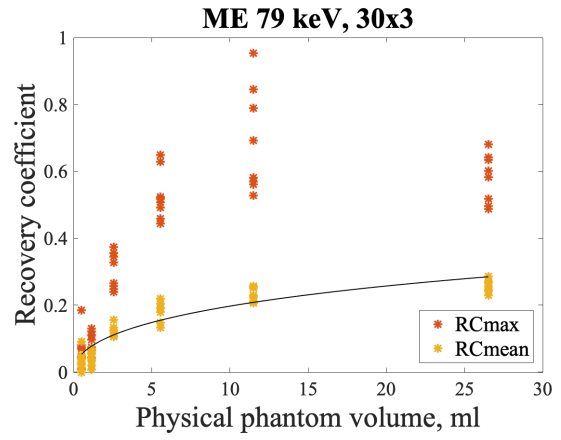
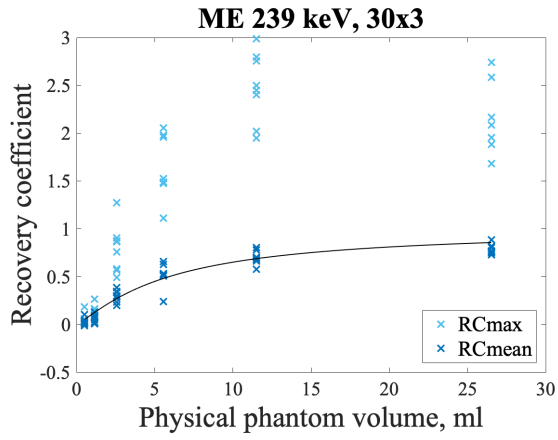
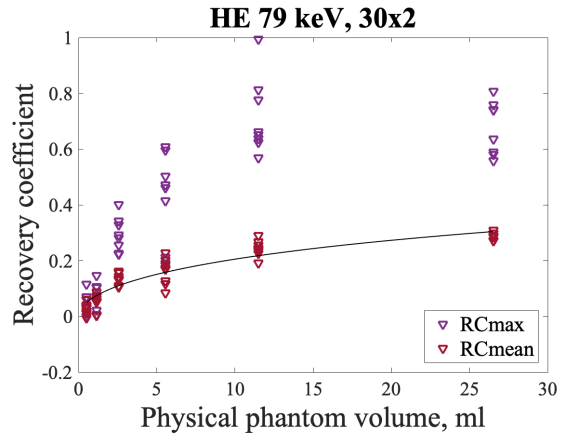
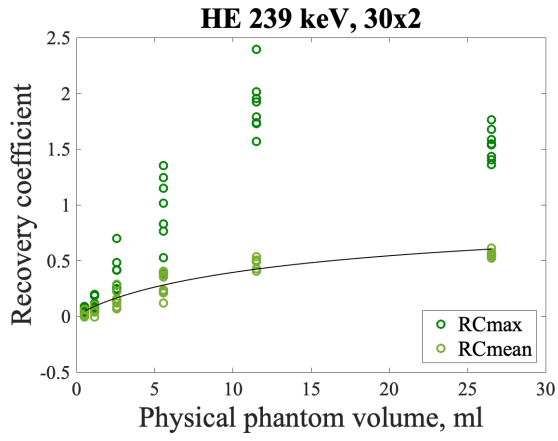
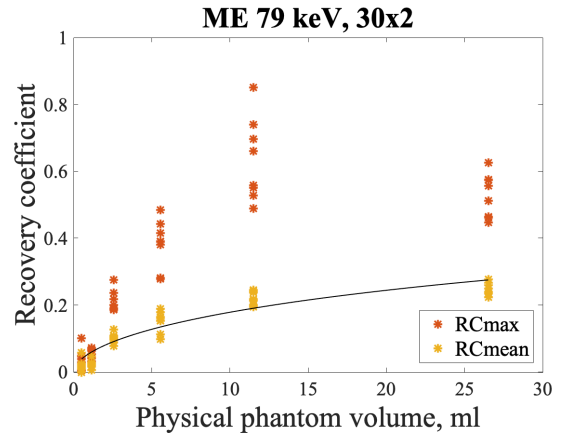
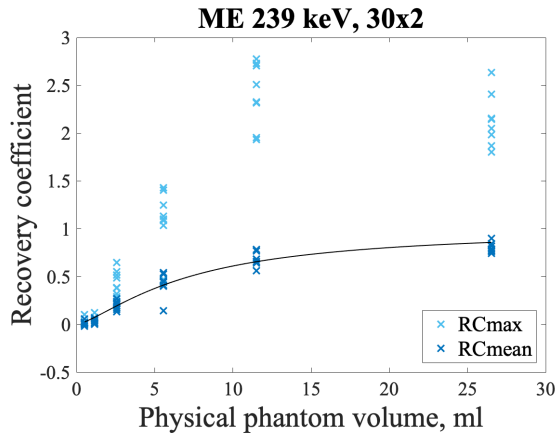
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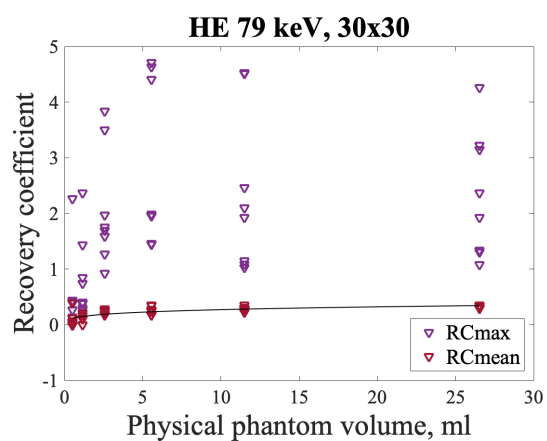
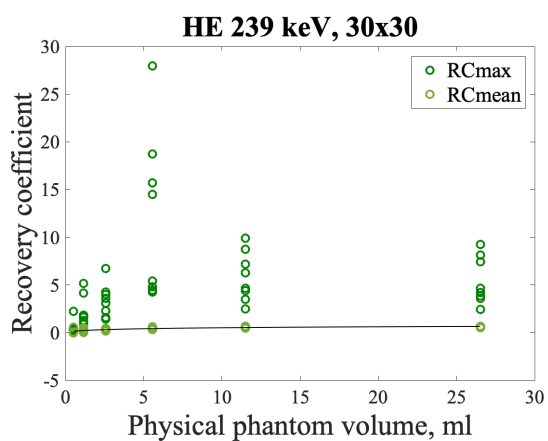
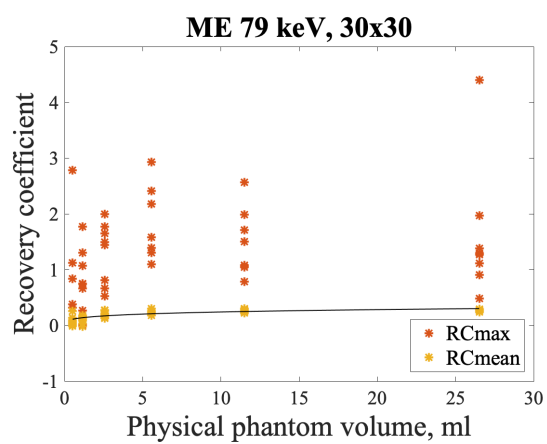
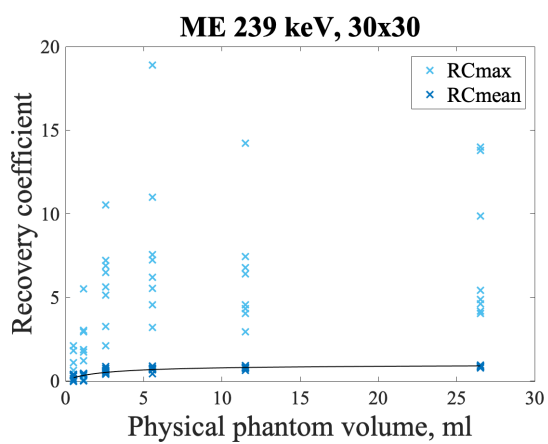
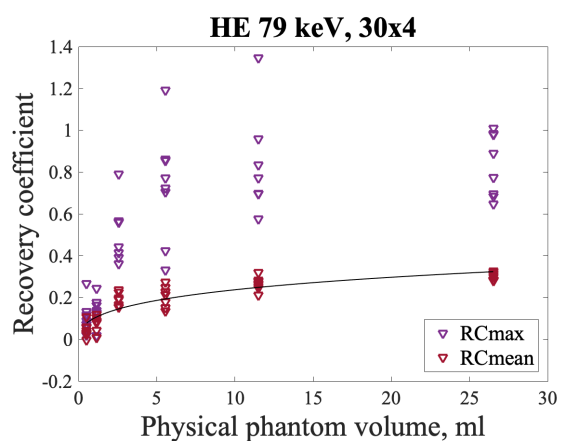
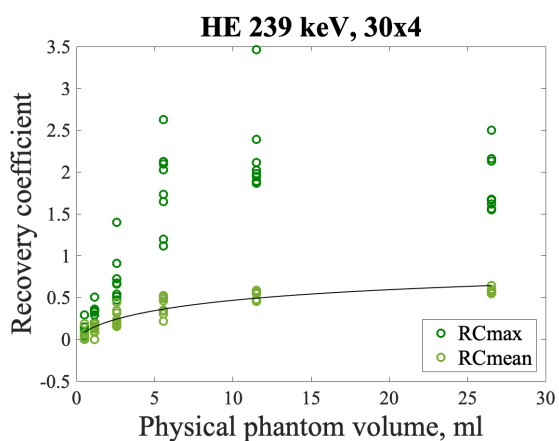
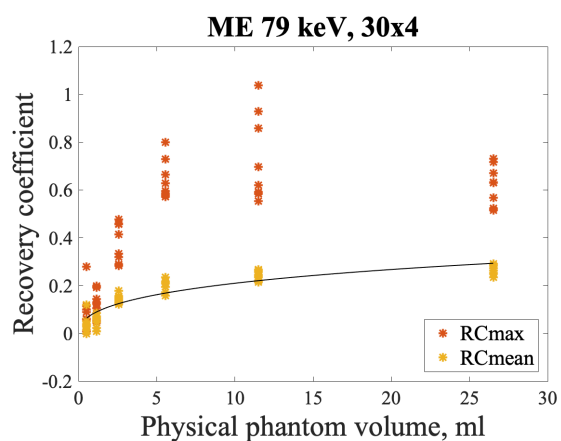
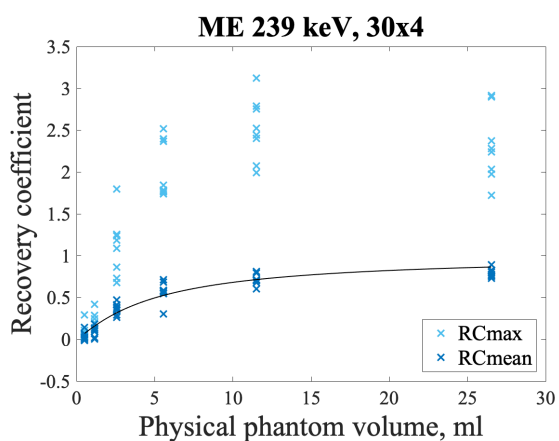
RC_{mean} and RC_{max} plotted for the four imaging protocols for all the unfiltered reconstructions.

Curve fits applied to RC_{mean} are also plotted. Note that the y-axes differ.





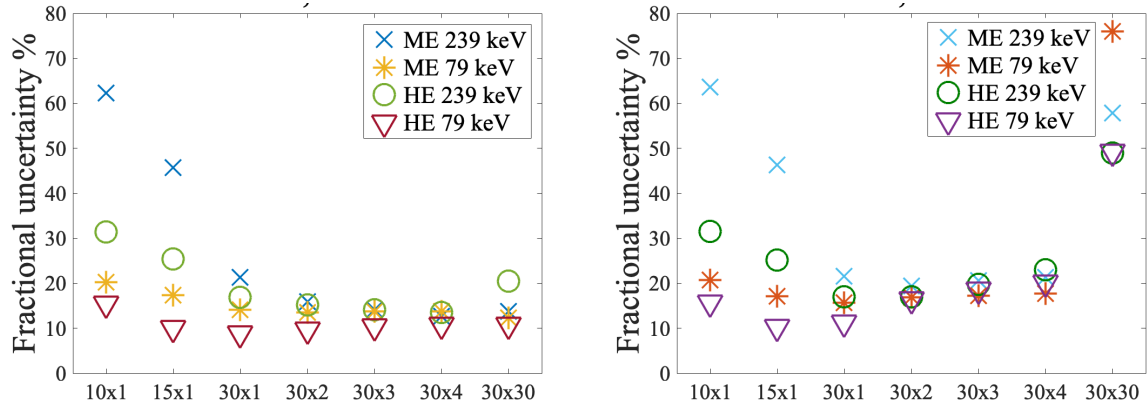




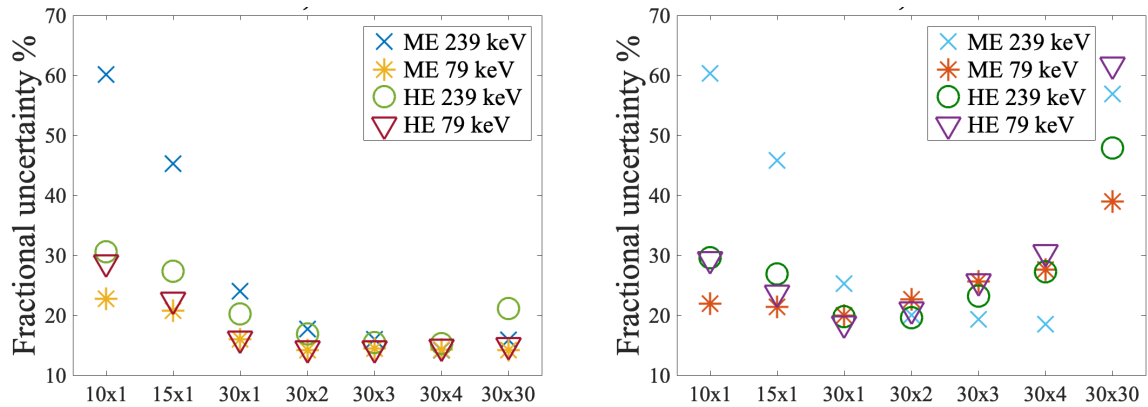
Fractional uncertainties on RCs for unfiltered images:

Fractional uncertainties on RC_{mean} (left) and RC_{max} (right) plotted for the four imaging protocols against reconstruction updates for the six spheres on unfiltered images.

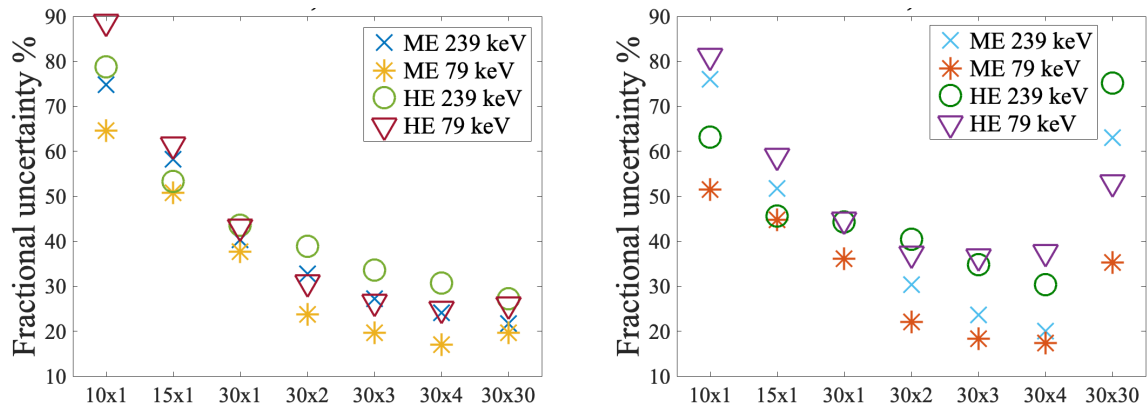
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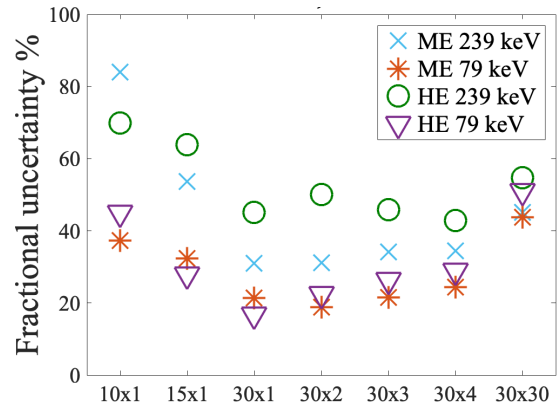
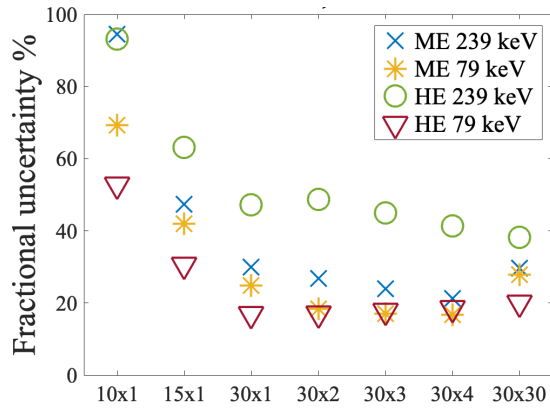
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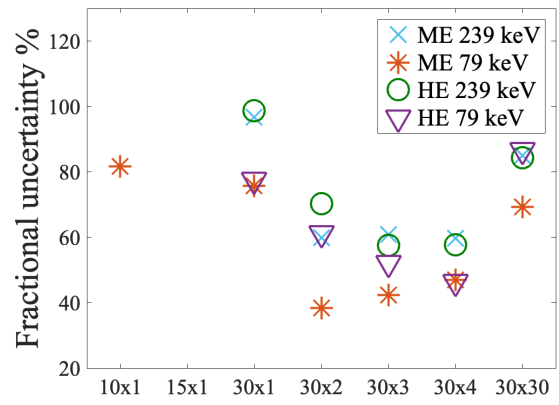
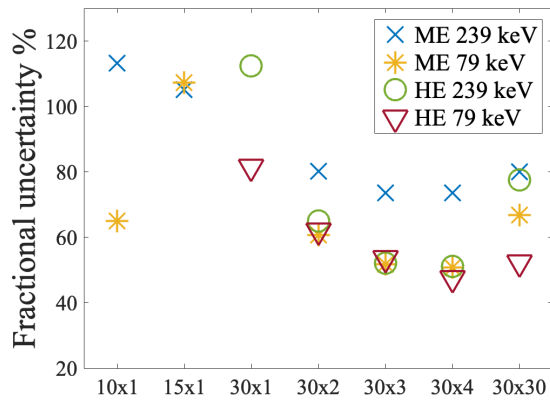
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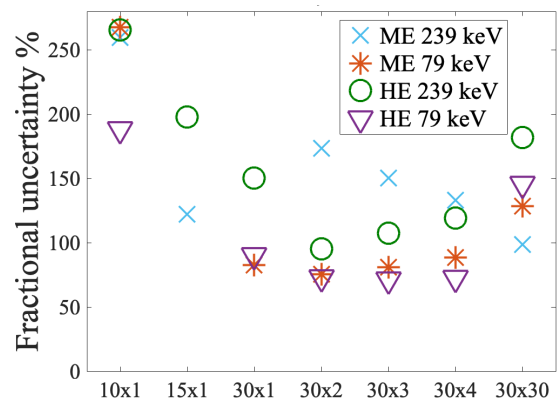
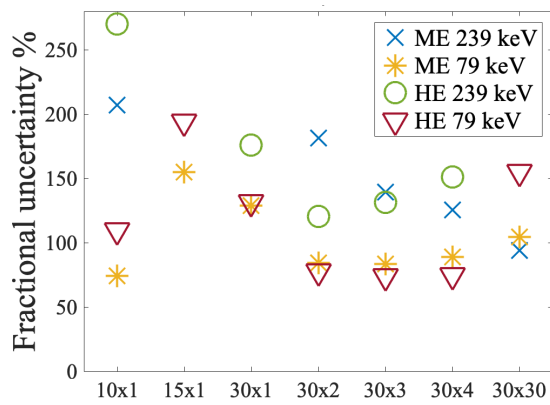
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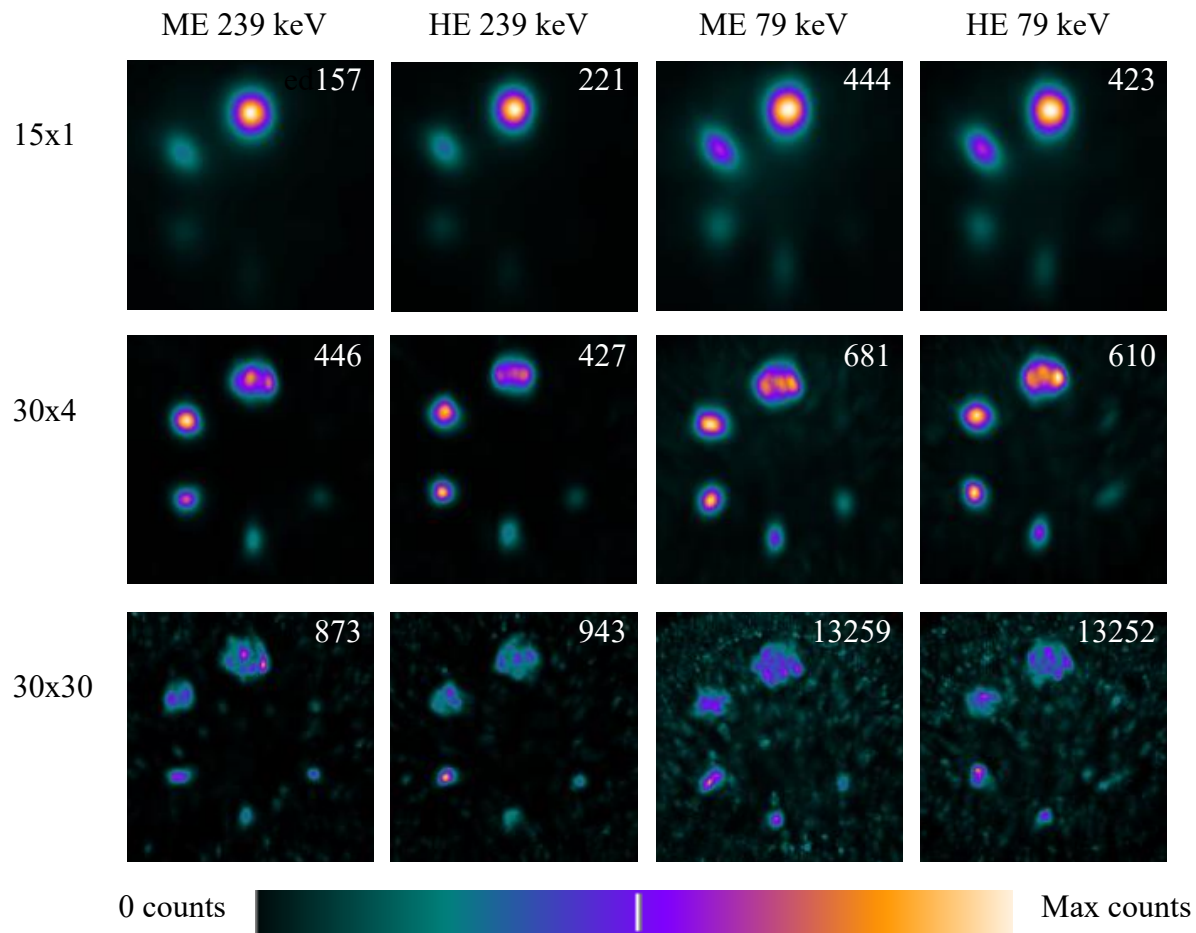


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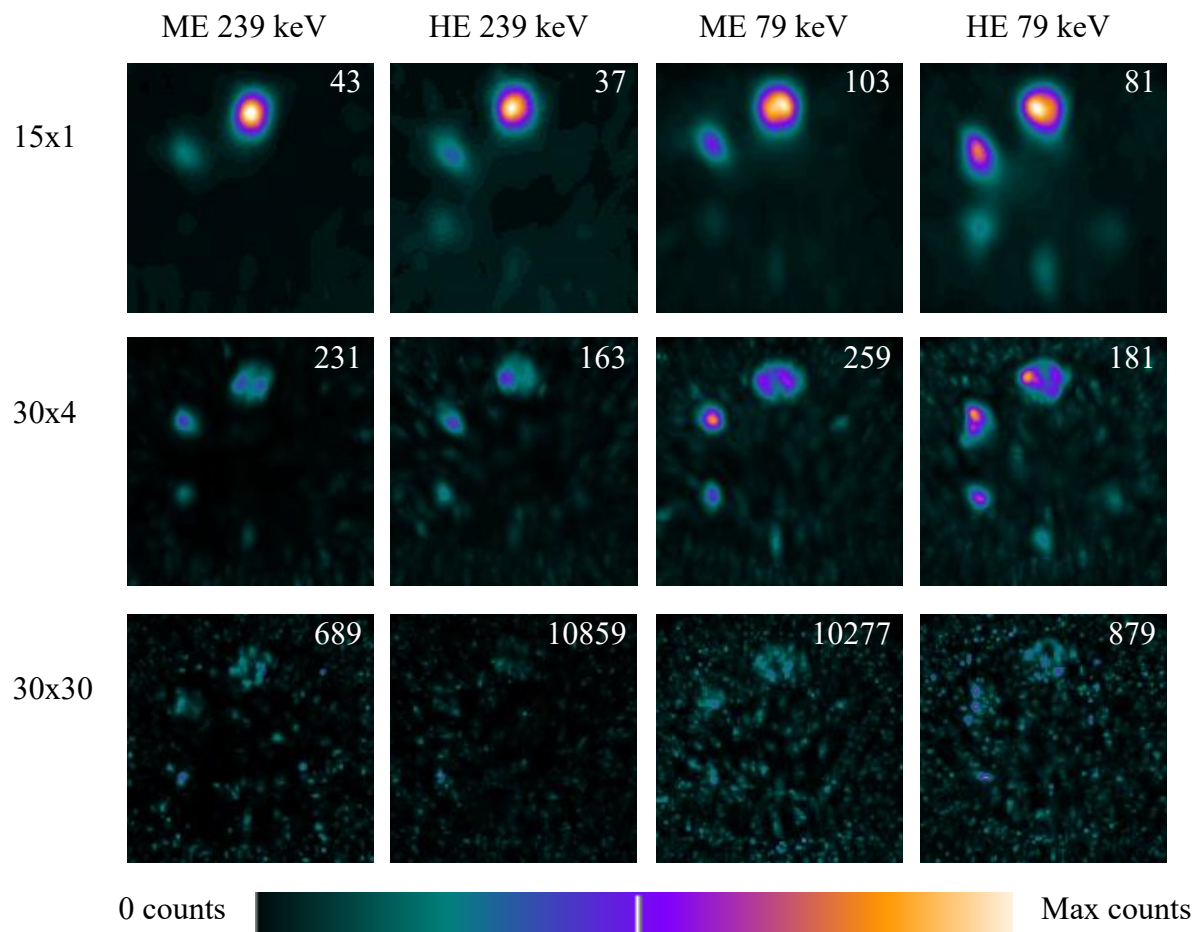
Examples of unfiltered images for the four imaging protocols with a high activity concentration in the spheres:

Unfiltered images for the 15x1, 30x4, and 30x30 reconstruction shown for the four imaging protocols with approximately 100 kBq/ml Pb-212 in the spheres.



Examples of unfiltered images for the four imaging protocols with a low activity concentration in the spheres:

Unfiltered images for the 15x1, 30x4, and 30x30 reconstruction shown for the four imaging protocols with approximately 17 kBq/ml Pb-212 in the spheres.



Contrast for the different imaging protocols for all the unfiltered reconstructions:

Contrast plotted against sphere diameter plotted for the different unfiltered reconstructions.

Each of the imaging protocols have a panel.

