SAR Measurement System Validation

1. Standard Source

A half-wave dipole is positioned below the bottom of the phantom and centered with its axis parallel to the longest side of the phantom. The distance between the liquid filled phantom bottom surface and the center of the dipole axis, *s*, is chosen as specified IEEE 1528 at the specific test frequency (i.e. 15 mm at 835 MHz). A low loss and low dielectric constant spacer is used to establish the correct distance between the top surface of the dipole and the bottom surface of the phantom.



2. Standard Source Input Power Measurement

The system validation is performed as shown below or in Figure 7.1 in IEEE 1528.



First the power meter PM1 (including attenuator Att1) is connected to the cable to measure the forward power at the location of the dipole connector (X). The signal generator is adjusted for the desired forward power at the dipole connector (taking into account the attenuation of Att1) as read by power meter PM2. After connecting the cable to the dipole, the signal generator is readjusted for the same reading at power meter PM2. If the signal generator does not allow adjustment in 0.01dB steps, the remaining difference at PM2 must be taken into consideration. PM3 records the reflected power from the dipole to ensure that the value is not changed from the previous value. The reflected power was verified to be at least 20dB below the forward power.

3. System Validation Procedure

A complete 1g-averaged SAR measurement is performed. The measured 1g-averaged SAR value is normalized to a forward power of 1W to a half-wave dipole and compared with the reference SAR value for the reference dipole and flat phantom shown in columns 2 and 3 of Table 7.1 in IEEE 1528.