

# FINAL PROGRAM



## ***53rd Annual Meeting of the Health Physics Society***

*(American Conference of Radiological Safety)*



***July 13-17, 2008***

***David Lawrence Convention Center  
Pittsburgh, PA***

## **Headquarters Hotel**

### **Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh**

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## **Future Annual Meetings**

<b>54th</b>	July 12-16, 2009	Minneapolis, MN
<b>55th</b>	June 27-July 2, 2010	Salt Lake City, UT

## **Future Midyear Topical Meeting**

<b>42nd</b>	Jan 31-Feb 3, 2009	San Antonio, TX
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Topic: Recent Advances in Planning and Response to Radiation Emergencies

<b>43rd</b>	January 24-27, 2010	Albuquerque, NM
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## Registration Hours

Registration at the **David L Lawrence Convention Center:**

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## Important Events

### Welcome Reception

Please plan on stopping in at the Allegheny Ballroom of the Westin Pittsburgh, Sunday, July 13, from 6:00-7:00 pm. The reception will have light snacks, and a cash bar. There will be an opportunity to meet friends to start your evening in Pittsburgh.

### Exhibits

**Free Lunch! Free Lunch!** – 12:15 pm, Monday, July 14. All registered attendees are invited to attend a complimentary lunch in the HPS exhibit hall at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

**Breaks Monday Afternoon - Wednesday Morning** – Featuring morning continental breakfasts and afternoon refreshments such as fruit, ice cream and cookies. Be sure to stop by and visit with the exhibitors while enjoying your refreshments!

### Sessions

The ABHP courses on Saturday will be held in the Westin Pittsburgh. All other sessions and courses will be held at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

### AAHP Awards Luncheon

Tuesday July 15

Noon-2:15 pm

David L. Lawrence Convention Center  
Room 411/412 (CC)

### HPS Awards Banquet

An enjoyable evening, this event will be held in the Westin Pittsburgh Allegheny Ballroom and is an excellent opportunity to show your support for the award recipients as well as the Society. The awards will be presented after the dinner. The event will last from 7:00-10:00 pm.

## Things to Remember!

**All Speakers are required to check in at the Speaker Ready Room, David L. Lawrence Convention Center, Room 307, at least one session prior to their assigned session.**

All posters up Monday–Wednesday in Exhibit Hall  
Poster Session featured Monday, 1:00-3:00 pm – No other sessions at that time

## AAHP Awards Luncheon

The AAHP is sponsoring an Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, July 15, at Noon, in Room 411/412 (CC) in the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. You may purchase tickets on site at the Registration Desk.

## **Tuesday Evening Awards Reception & Banquet**

Join your peers in honoring the following awardees while enjoying a delicious meal. Brief award presentations will immediately follow the dinner. All attendees are strongly encouraged to stay and show support for the award recipients. This event will take place in the Westin Pittsburgh in the Allegheny Ballroom, on Tuesday, July 15, from 7:00 - 10:00 pm. The following awards are to be presented:

### **Distinguished Public Service Award**

The Honorable Pete V. Domenici

### **Elda E. Anderson Award**

Phillip W. Patton

### **Founders Award**

Keith H. Dinger

### **Outstanding Science Teacher Award**

Brian A. Whitson

### **Fellow Award**

Dave Allard  
James S. Bogard  
Frazier L. Bronson  
Gloria E. Chavez  
Kathryn A. Higley  
Tracy A. Ikenberry  
Robert P. Miltenberger  
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Kathryn H. Pryor  
Joseph P. Ring  
Kathleen L. Shingleton  
Marlow J. Stangler  
George J. Vargo  
Linnea E. Wahl

### **Menu**

\* Caesar salad with a twist - romaine lettuce, shaved parmesan cheese, artichoke hearts, roasted red peppers and focaccia croutons

\* filet of beef - pan seared beef tenderloin (7 oz.), served with caramelized onions and shallots, accompanied by burgundy mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables (e.g., asparagus, carrots), rolls and butter

\* "charlotte style" raspberry explosion - yellow cake topped with mounds of raspberry mousse, cheesecake bites and loads of fresh raspberries, buried under white chocolate shavings and raspberry sauce

Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee, Regular and Decaffeinated & Tazo teas

For those who prefer a meatless option, the hotel has:

\* vegetable napolean - roasted portabella mushrooms accompanied with squash and fresh mozzarella cheese adorned with roasted red pepper coulis sauce

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## **G. William Morgan Trust Fund**

When G. William Morgan died in 1984, he bequeathed a substantial fund to the Health Physics Society. The will requires that the fund's interest be used to have internationally known experts present papers at the Society's meetings. Michael C. O'Riordan of the United Kingdom's National Radiation Protection Board was the first international expert to be supported by the Society through the Morgan Fund. O'Riordan's presentation "Radon in Albion" was part of the Indoor Radon Session at the 1989 Albuquerque meeting.

G. William Morgan was a Charter member of the Society and during the Society's early years a very active member.

Bill began his health physics career at Oak Ridge National Laboratory as part of the Manhattan Project. He later joined the Atomic Energy Commission and was instrumental in the development of the initial regulations that became part of 10 CFR Part 20. He was a great champion of education and helped establish the AEC Health Physics Fellowship Program. Bill later became very successful in the real estate business, but always retained his interest in the health physics profession. The Society's Presidents Emeritus Committee has responsibility for the selection of the international experts who will be supported by the G. William Morgan Trust Fund.

## Registration Hours

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**David L. Lawrence Convention  
Center, Concourse C:**

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Thursday, July 17 .....8:00 am-Noon

## Registration Fees:

Class	Pre-Reg	On-Site
◆HPS Member	\$375	\$450
◆Non-Member**	\$450	\$525
❖Student	\$ 60	\$ 60
◆HPS Emeritus	No Fee	No Fee
◆HPS PEP Lecturer	No Fee	No Fee
●Companion	\$ 65	\$ 65
■Exhibition ONLY	\$ 35	\$ 35
Exhibitor (2/booth)	No Fee	No Fee
Add'l Awards Dinner	\$ 60	\$ 60
AAHP Awards New CHP	Free	Free
AAHP Awards (CHP)	\$ 10	\$ 10
AHHP Awards Guest	\$ 15	\$ 15
■Member, 1 Day	\$225	\$225
■Non-Member 1 Day	\$225	\$225
■Student, 1 Day	n/a	\$ 30
◆ Includes Sunday Reception, Monday Lunch and Tuesday Awards Dinner		
❖ Includes Sunday and Student Receptions, Monday Lunch and Tuesday Awards Dinner		
● Includes Sunday Reception, Monday-Wednesday Continental Breakfast and afternoon snacks		
■ Includes Sessions and Exhibition ONLY		

\*\* Includes Associate Membership for  
year 2008-*FIRST TIME MEMBERS  
ONLY.*

## Session Location

All sessions will take place in the David  
L. Lawrence Convention Center unless  
otherwise noted.

## LAC Room

Sunday-Thursday . . . . . 310  
David L. Lawrence Convention Center

## Activities and Tours

Note: Tickets still available for sale can  
be purchased at the HPS Registration  
Desk.

### **Sunday, July 13**

Tour and Wine Tasting CANCELLED  
Pittsburgh City Tour 1-4 PM  
Open Mic Night 8-11 PM

### **Monday, July 14**

Pittsburgh City Tour 9 AM-Noon  
Church Tour CANCELLED  
Zoo and Aquarium CANCELLED  
Walking Arch Tour & Tea CANCELLED  
Annual Pub Crawl 6-11 PM  
National Robotics CANCELLED

### **Tuesday, July 15**

HPS 5K Run/Walk 6:30-8:30 AM  
Golf Outing CANCELLED  
Phipps, Nationality, Heinz CANCELLED  
Fallingwater, KY Knob 9:15 AM-4:45 PM  
Frick Art & Historical Ctr CANCELLED  
Westinghouse 10:30 AM-3:30 PM

### **Wednesday, July 16**

Le Cordon Bleu CANCELLED  
HPS Night Out 6-10:30 PM  
WTI, Inc CANCELLED

### **Thursday, July 17**

Kennywood/Sandcastle CANCELLED  
Heinz Field/PNC/Penn Brew CANCELLED  
PNC/Pittsburgh Glass CANCELLED



## **Information**

### ***Technical Sessions - Speaker***

#### ***Instructions***

You are allotted a total of 12 minutes of speaking time unless you have been notified otherwise.

The **Ready Room** (Room 307) will be open Sunday from 2-5 pm, Monday through Wednesday from 8-11 am and 2-5 pm. You must check in at the Ready Room (even if you have already submitted your presentation) no later than the following times:

#### **Presentation Time    Check-In Deadline**

Monday am	5 pm Sunday
Monday pm	11 am Monday
Tuesday am	5 pm Monday
Tuesday pm	11 am Tuesday
Wednesday am	5 pm Tuesday
Wednesday pm	11 am Wednesday
Thursday am	5 pm Wednesday

Please report to your session room 10 minutes prior to the Session start to let your session chair(s) know that you are there.

#### ***PEP/CEL Courses***

The PEP Ready Room (Room 306) will have hours posted on the door. Saturday-Wednesday.

#### ***Placement Service***

Placement Service listings will be posted in the Exhibit Hall.

#### ***Business Meeting***

The **HPS Annual Business Meeting** will be convened at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, July 16, in 406, David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

#### ***Badge Color Code***

White=HPS Member, Nonmember, Student  
Blue=Companion  
Green=Exhibition Only  
Salmon=Exhibitor

## **Companion**

### **Hospitality Room**

The Hospitality Room is in the Washington Room in the Westin. Come meet with friends and learn about the available attractions in Pittsburgh. Local HPS members will be on hand to help with planning day trips and restaurant recommendations. On Monday morning from 8 to 9 am, we invite all registered companions to an official welcome from a local representative who will provide an orientation to Portland and answer any questions you might have. The Monday breakfast will take place in the Washington Room in the Westin.

Continental breakfast will be available Monday through Wednesday mornings for registered companions, as will afternoon refreshments if attendance warrants.

### **Hospitality Room**

for Registered Companions  
in the Westin - Washington Room

*Monday Welcome*

8:00 - 9:00 am

#### **Days/Hours**

Sunday . . . . .10 am - 3 pm

Monday . . . . .8 am - 3 pm

Tuesday . . . . .8 am - 3 pm

Wednesday . . . . .8 am - 3 pm

# Health Physics Society Committee Meetings

All committee meetings will be held in the Westin Hotel unless followed by (CC)

## Friday, July 11, 2008

### ABHP BOARD MEETING

8:30 am-5:00 pm Cambria East/West

## Saturday, July 12, 2008

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

8:00 am-Noon Armstrong

### ABHP BOARD MEETING

8:30 am-Noon Somerset East

### HPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Noon-4:00 pm Presidential Suite

### AAHP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1:00-5:00 pm Somerset East

### HP/ORS JOURNAL BOARD MEETING

3:00-6:00 pm Fayette

## Sunday, July 13, 2008

### HPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

7:30 am-5:00 pm Crawford East/West

### AAHP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

8:30 am-5:00 pm Somerset East

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE

11:00 am-1:00 pm 307 (CC)

## Monday, July 14, 2008

### N13.42 WORKING GROUP

10:00 am-2:00 pm Lawrence

### INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

11:00 am-1:00 pm Somerset West

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Noon-2:30 pm Cambria East

### CHAPTER COUNCIL MEETING

1:00-2:00 pm 406 (CC)

### HPS WEB EDITORS

1:00-5:00 pm Armstrong

### AEC ACCREDITATION SUBCOMMITTEE

2:00-4:00 pm Cambria West

### AAHP NOMINATING COMMITTEE

2:30-3:30 pm Butler West

### SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC ISSUES COMMITTEE

3:00-4:30 pm Presidential Suite

### HISTORY COMMITTEE

3:00-5:00 pm Somerset West

### N13.22 WORKING GROUP

3:00-5:00 pm Crawford East

### RULES COMMITTEE

3:00-5:00 pm Lawrence

### AWARDS COMMITTEE

4:30-5:30 pm Presidential Suite

## Tuesday, July 15, 2008

### AAHP PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

8:00-10:00 am Somerset West

### ANSI N323A/N42.17A

10:00 am-Noon Westmoreland West

### LAB ACCREDITATION POLICY COMMITTEE

10:00 am-12:30 pm Fayette

### LAB ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

11:30 am-2:00 pm Fayette

### SCIENCE SUPPORT COMMITTEE

11:00 am-12:30 pm Crawford East/West

### HP PROGRAM DIRECTORS ORGANIZATION

Noon-2:00 pm Westmoreland East

### PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Noon-2:00 pm Cambria West

### GOVERNMENT & SOCIETY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

1:30-3:30 pm Somerset West

### CSU RECEPTION - ALL ARE WELCOME

5:30-7:00 pm Westmoreland Central

**Wednesday, July 16, 2008**

**ANSI N42.320**

9:00-11:00 am *Armstrong*

**ANSI N13.12**

9:00 am - Noon *Westmoreland East*

**STUDENT BRANCH MEETING**

Noon-2:00 pm *Somerset West*

**ANSI 13.8 COMMITTEE**

Noon-2:15 pm *Crawford East*

**SOCIETY SUPPORT COMMITTEE**

Noon-3:00 pm *Somerset East*

**HPS DECOMMISSIONING SECTION  
BOD**

12:15-2:00 pm *Lawrence*

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

12:30-2:30 pm *Butler East*

**STANDARDS/HPSSC MEETING**

1:00-4:00 pm *Armstrong*

**ACADEMIC EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE**

2:00-4:00 pm *Butler West*

**CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

3:00-5:00 pm *Butler East*

**HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE**

4:30-6:00 pm *Westmoreland East*

**Thursday, July 17, 2008**

**LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS  
COMMITTEE**

7:30-9:30 am *310 (CC)*

**HPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
LUNCH**

Noon-1:00 pm *Somerset East*

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

Noon-2:00 pm *Butler West*

**HPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING**

1:00-5:00 pm *Crawford East/West*

# 53rd Annual Meeting of the Health Physics Society

Pittsburgh, PA, July 13-17 - Final Scientific Program

Presenter's name is asterisked (\*) if other than first author.

## MONDAY

**7:00-8:00 AM**

**406**

**CEL 1** After Katrina – Applying Health Physics Controls to Accomplish Restoration and Cleaning of Military Personal Property in the Gulf Coast Region

*Jim Hylko*

*Paducah Remediation Services, LLC*

**7:00-8:00 AM**

**407**

**CEL 2** Effectively Managing the “Under-Exposed”

*Bob Emery*

*The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston*

**8:10 AM-12:05 PM Ballroom B/C (CC)**

### MAM-A: Plenary Session

**8:10 AM**

Welcome to Pittsburgh

*Kevin Nelson*

*President, Health Physics Society, Local Arrangements Committee Representative*

**8:15 AM**

**MAM-A.1**

Radiation Primer – A Citizens Guide to Radiation

*Classic, K.*

*Radiation Safety Academy Division/Mayo Clinic*

**8:25 AM**

Introduction of Robert S. Landauer, Sr. Lecture

*Dodd, B.*

*Awards Committee Chair*

**8:30 AM**

**MAM-A.2**

Radiation in Medicine – Back to the Future

*Tuttle, R.M. (Robert S. Landauer, Sr. Lecture)*

*Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center Endocrinology Service*

**9:15 AM**

**MAM-A.3**

Communicating Risk with the Patient

*Vetter, R.*

*Mayo Clinic Radiation Safety*

**10:00 AM**

**BREAK**

**10:30 AM**

Introduction of G. William Morgan Lectures

*Dauer, L.T.*

*President, Medical Health Physics Section*

**10:35 AM**

**MAM-A.4**

CT Scan Risk Estimates

*Brenner, D. (G. William Morgan Lecture)*

*Center for Radiological Research/Columbia University Medical Center*

**11:05 AM**

**MAM-A.5**

The UPside of Risk: Benefits

*Zanzonico, P. (G. William Morgan Lecture)*

*Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center/Weill Cornell Medical College/Gerstner Sloan-Kettering Graduate School*

**11:35 AM**

**MAM-A.6**

Patient Risk in Radiation Oncology

*Travis, L.*

*National Cancer Institute*

**12:15-1:00 PM**

**Exhibit Hall C**

**Complimentary Lunch in Exhibit Hall for all Registrants and Opening of Exhibits**

## Poster Session

### Accelerator

**P.1** Experimental and Monte Carlo Verification for Shielding Dosimetry Using a 10 MeV Linear Accelerator

*Ankrah, M., Mitchell, K.*

*Idaho State University, Pocatello*

**P.2** Shielding and Radiation Dose Analysis for a Dense-Plasma Focus Neutron Source

*O'Brien, R., Culbreth, W.*

*University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

**P.3** Radiation Transport Modeling of a Detector Shield for ZR at Sandia National Laboratory

*Lowe, D., Culbreth, W.*

*University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

**P.4** Applications of Laser Compton Scattered X-rays to Fissionable Materials Identification and Imaging

*Naeem, S., Wells, D., Chouffani, K.*

*Idaho State University*

### Biokinetics/Bioeffects

**P.5** Safety Assessment of Mobile Phone and the Need for Further Research

*Kumar, N., Khan, R.*

*Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, India*

### Decommissioning

**P.6** Calibration and Characteristics of Waste Activity Monitors Used for Decommissioning Wastes

*Yeh, C-H., Yuan, M-C., Chang, B-j.\**

*Institute of Nuclear Energy Research, Taiwan*

**P.7** "Scan Rates" A Form-base Excel Spreadsheet to Model the Detectability of Surface Radioactive Contamination

*Avtandilashvili, M., Butikofer, T., Matthews, T., Cummings, R.*

*Idaho State University*

### Emergency Planning and Response

**P.8** Evaluation of the Public Awareness in Nuclear Power and Radiation

*Mitchell, M., Wang, W-H., Matthews, K.L., Kelly, L.R.*

*Louisiana State University, University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

**P.9** Evaluation of the FDA Derived Intervention Levels and the Exposure Rate of 0.4  $\mu\text{R/hr}$  using NARAC Web Atmosphere and Diffusion Modeling System

*Hay, T.R., Higley, K.A., Hamby, D.M.*

*Oregon State University*

**P.10** Comments on Basic Components in a Radiation Professional's Emergency Response Toolkit

*McCord, M.*

*Howard University*

### Environmental

**P.11** Measurement of Cs-137 Concentration in Various Lakes Located in the "downwind" Idaho Counties

*Billa, J.K., Brey, R.R., Thackray, G.*

*Idaho State University, Pocatello*

**P.12** A Novel Air-cooling Distillation Device Made of Metal/Alloy for Environmental Water Tritium Analysis

*Fang, H.F., Chang, B-j.\**

*Institute of Nuclear Energy Research, Taiwan*

**P.13** LADTAP-PA-FTF: A Model for Estimating Dose Resulting from Groundwater Contamination at the Savannah River Site

*Farfan, E.B., Jannik, G.T., Dixon, K.L.,*

*Lee, P.L., LaBone, E.D.*

*Savannah River National Laboratory*

**P.14** Assessment of Differences in Radionuclide Databases for CAP88 v. 1.0 and 3.0

*LaBone, E.D., Farfan, E.B., Lee, P.L., Jannik, G.T.*

*University of South Carolina, Savannah River National Laboratory*

**P.15** Qualitative Assay of Radionuclide Species in Fly Ash and Bottom Ash from Coal Combustion

*Hibbert, J., Zhang, R., Johnson, T.  
Lone Star High School, Colorado State University*

**P.16** Water Quality Impacts of In-Situ Leach Uranium Mining

*Coler, A., Ramsdell, H., Johnson, T.  
Colorado State University*

**P.17** Exposure of Ionic Hyper-regulated Artemia to Chlorine 36 in a Marine System

*Shaw, C., Higley, K.  
Oregon State University*

**P.18** Feasibility Test for Optically Stimulated Luminescence (OSL) Dot Dosimeters for Environmental Monitoring

*Timilsina, B., Gesell, T.  
Idaho State University*

**P.19** Savannah River Site Meteorological Data for CAP88

*Farfan, E.B., Lee, P.L., Jannik, G.T., Kabela, E.D., Weber, A.H., LaBone, E.D.  
Savannah River National Laboratory*

### **External Dosimetry**

**P.20** A Carbon Dioxide Pretreatment for Enhanced Neutron Response of Track Etch Detectors

*Hulber, E., Selmeczi, D., Flynn, D., Taylor, C., Brennan, C., d'Errico, F.  
Radosys Ltd, Hungary, Framework Scientific, Yale University*

**P.21** Verification of the PAGAT Polymer Gel Dosimeter by Photon Beams Using Magnetic Resonance Imaging

*Hadad, K., Azadbakht, B., Hassan, Z.  
Shiraz University, Iran, Baheshti University, Iran*

### **Instrumentation**

**P.22** Tomorrow's Gamma-Ray Spectroscopy Technology: Transition Edge Sensors With 47 eV Energy Resolution at 103 keV

*Sassi, E., Johnson, T., Ullom, J.N., Rabin, M.W.  
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, NIST, Boulder, Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**P.23** Determination of Basic Dosimetric Properties of Annular Liquid Ionization Chambers (ALIC)

*Acha, R., Wickman, G.  
Idaho State University, Umea University*

**P.24** Superheated Drop Detectors with Enhanced Response to High Energy Neutrons

*d'Errico, F., Flynn, D.\*, Taylor, C., Brennan, C.  
Yale University, Framework Scientific*

### **Internal Dosimetry and Bioassay**

**P.25** An Analysis of the Dependency of Whole-body Counting Efficiency on Specific Anatomy in Selected BOMAB and Tomographic Phantoms

*Zhang, B.Q., Mille, M., Xu, X.G.  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, China Institute for Radiation Protection*

**P.26** USTUR Case 0102 Voxel Phantom for External Radiation Detector Response Simulation

*Robinson, N., Brey, R., James, T.  
Idaho State University, United States Transuranium and Uranium Registries*

**P.27** Fabrication of Human Organs for Realistic Calibration Phantoms by Rapid Prototyping

*Mille, M., Xu, X.G.  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

**P.28** An Updated Evaluation of Data from the 1980 Statistical Analysis of Plutonium in US Autopsy Tissue  
*Mecham, D., Brey, R., James, T., Shonka, J.*

*Idaho State University, United States Transuranium and Uranium Registries, Shonka Research Associates*

**P.29** Comparison of Dose Rate from Cosmic Ray Muons by MCNPX and FLUKA

*Hadad, K., Piroozmand, A., Ayobian, N. Shiraz University, Iran*

**P.30** Polonium-210 and Lead-210 as Biomarkers of Inhaled Cigarette Smoke  
*Schayer, S., Qu, Q., Wang, Y., Cohen, B. New York University School of Medicine, Peking University Health Science Center, PRC*

### **Medical**

**P.31** Effective Dose Measurement in Pain Clinic Using an Adult Male Anthropomorphic Phantom and Derivation of Dose Conversion Coefficient from Dose Area Product (DAP)

*Kim, S., Toncheva, G., Anderson-Evans, C., Huh, B., Leithe, L., Yoshizumi, T. Duke University*

**P.32** Skin Dose Measurements in Chest X-ray Examinations in Radiography Departments in Mashhad-Iran

*Bahrayni Toossi, M.T., Esmaili, S.\* Azad University - Sanandaj, Iran*

**P.33** Fluoroscopy Dose Estimate Reporting Methods

*Brown, K., Anderko, C., Skelton, W. Geisinger Health System*

**P.34** Costs Associated with the Release of Materials Contaminated with Short Lived Radionuclides from Outpatients

*LaMastra, A. Health Physics Associates, Inc.*

**P.35** Evaluation of Noise Smoothing Technique and Digital Image Filtering  
*Shafeiyan, S., Zahmat Kesh, M.H., Sardari, D.*

*Azad University, Iran, Novin Medical Institute*

### **Operational Health Physics**

**P.36** Monte Carlo Simulation of Exposure Rate of a Single Cs-137 Source Irradiator: Comparisons of Exposure Rate between MCNP Calculated Values and the Measurements and Study of Exposure Rate Distribution using Mesh Tallies  
*Wen, X.*

*University of Cincinnati*

**P.37** An Academic Exercise in Neutron Shielding

*Peckham, Z., Kunze, J., Brey, R. Idaho State University*

**P.38** Summary of Recent Numerical Solutions Concerning Measurements of Radioactivity When the Blank is Counted an Integer Times Longer than the Sample

*Potter, W., Strzelczyk, J.*

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**P.39** Relative Performance of Hand Held Instruments in Varying Temperature Conditions

*Brown, K., Forrest, R.\*, Mahoney, A., Landsworth, R., Sturchio, G.*

*University of Pennsylvania, Mayo Clinic*

**P.40** Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Assessment of Materials and Equipment Manual

*Ramachandra, B., Bias, C-A., Alberth, D., Doremus, S., Williams, A., Snead, K.\*, Azzam, N., Petullo, C., Meck, R., Powers, G.*

*US Air Force, US Army, US Navy, US Department of Energy, US Environmental Protection Agency, US Public Health Service, US Nuclear Regulatory Commission*



**P.41** Evaluating the Efficiency of Decon Gel 1101 on Removal of Cs-137, Co-60, and Eu-154 on Common Commercial Materials

*VanHorne-Sealy, J., Higley, K.*

*Oregon State University/US Army,  
Oregon State University*

### **Regulatory/Legal Issues**

**P.42** A New Family of Type B Radioactive Material Transport Packages

*Ortensi, J., Miller, J.*

*International Isotopes, Inc.*

### **Risk Analysis**

**P.43** A Review of the Current Literature Regarding the Science, Technology, and Risk of Food Irradiation and its Comparison Against Other Forms of Food Decontamination and Preservation Technologies

*Le, M.*

*ChemRisk, Inc.*

### **Waste Management**

**P.44** Uncovering "A Radioactive Cover-Up"

*Gallagher, R.G.*

*Applied Health Physics, Inc.*

### **International Posters**

**P.45** Beta Ray Scintillation Detector Using the Rugged Scintillator

*Yamano, T., Hara, M., Minagawa, E.*

*Aloka Co.,Ltd, Japan*

**P.46** Environmental Radiometric Monitoring Around ENEA Research Center of Saluggia for the Resident Population Health Safety

*Arginelli, D., Ridone, S., Bortoluzzi, S.,  
Montalto, M., Nocente, M., Vigna, L.*

*Research Centre of Saluggia, Italy,  
University of Studies of Turin, Italy*

**P.47** Biokinetic and Dosimetric Study of [<sup>90</sup>Y]-Ibritumomab Tiuxetan in Non-Hodgkin's Lymphomas Radio-immunotherapeutic Treatment: A Project Proposal

*Arginelli, D., Inglese, E., Matheoud, R.,  
Ridone, S., Secco, C., Vigna, L.*

*Research Centre of Saluggia, Italy,  
Hospital "Maggiore della Carità" of  
Novara and University of Studies of  
Eastern Piedmont "Amedeo Avogadro",  
Italy, University of Studies of Turin, Italy*

**P.48** In-Vivo Stability and Kinetic Study of Radiopharmaceutical [<sup>153</sup>Sm]Sm-EDTMP in Metabolic Radiotherapy of Painful Bone Metastases

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**P.49** Dose to Some of the Critical Organs Due to Screen Film Mammography - Basis of Indian Data

*Chhokra, K., Jayalakshmi, V., Sharma, R.*  
*Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, India,  
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, India*

**P.50** Promotion of Radiation Safety in Hospital-Based Cyclotron Facilities in Taiwan – Via the Establishment of the "Taiwanese Society of Medical Cyclotron"

*Kao, C-H.K.*

*Buddhist Tzu Chi General Hospital, Tzu  
Chi College of Technology, Taiwan*

**P.51** Activity Concentrations of Radionuclides in Water and Sediments of Euphrates River and the Radiation Dose Due to Consumption this Water.

*Kubaisi, K.A., Sabbar, S.A.*

*HazMat-Ministry of Science and  
Technology, Iraq*



**P.52** Use of Ground Radiometric Measurements in Investigation of Karsts Bauxite in Western Desert - Iraq

*Kubaisi, K.A.*

*Ministry of Science and Technology, Iraq*

**P.53** Next Generation of Germany's Safety Gamma Dose Rate Measurement Net

*Luff, R., Stöhlker, U., Harms, W., Thoma, J., Wolfert, J., Bleher, M.*

*Federal Office for Radiation Protection, Germany*

**P.54** Analysis of Radiation Risk Perception by University Faculties and Students in Nagasaki

*Miura, M., Morita, N., Takao, H., Yoshida, M., Matsuda, N.*

*Center for Frontier Life Sciences, Nagasaki University, Japan*

**P.55** Use of a Whole Body Counter in Radiation Risk Management for University Faculties and Students

*Morita, N., Takamura, N., Yamashita, S., Shimasaki, T., Yoshida, M., Matsuda, N.*

*Nagasaki University, Japan, Kumamoto University, Japan*

**P.56** Improvement of the Image in Diagnostic Radiology

*Castelo e Silva, L., Prado, N., Teixeira, M.*

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**P.57** Investigation of Electron Contamination for Bhabhatron-II Telecobalt Machine

*Sahani, M.K., Dash Sharma, P.K., Chhokra, K., Agarwal, S.P., Kher, R.K.*

*Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, India, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, India*

**P.58** Investigation of Molecular-Dynamic Characteristics of Herbs Depending on the Place of Their Growth by the Method of IR-Spectroscopy

*Shukurov, T., Dzhuraev, A.A., Khaitova, Z.M., Dzhuraev, A.A., Marupov, R.*

*Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tajikistan, Tajikistan*

**P.59** Interstitial Laser Photocoagulation of Uterine Myomas with a Neodymium Yttrium Aluminum Garnet (Nd:YAG) Laser

*Taha, T.F., Hussein El-Noury, M.A., Azmy, O., Eldin, A.G.*

*National Research Center, Egypt, Cairo University, Egypt*

**P.60** H\*(10) from Industrial <sup>137</sup>Cs Sources

*Rodríguez-Juarez, R., Vega-Carrillo, H.R., Manzanares-Acuña, E., Hernández-Dávila, V.M., Salas-Luevano, M.A.*

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**P.61** X-Ray Spectra from a Mamographic Unit

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### **Works in Progress**

**P.62** Evaluation of the NCRP Wound Model using USTUR Plutonium-Contaminated Wound Cases

*Germann, L.K., Brey, R.R., James, A.C.*

*Idaho State University, Washington State University*

**P.63** Implementation of the ICRP 2007 Recommendations in Korea

*Cho, K-W*

*Korea Institute of Nuclear Safety*

**P.64** Development of Prompt Gamma Neutron Activation Analysis Facility at Texas A&M Nuclear Science Center Research Reactor for Trace Element Studies - Health Physics Challenges on Neutron/Gamma Radiation Levels and Shielding

*Vasudevan, L., Inyang, O., Reece, D.*

*Texas A&M University*

**P.65** Environmental Protection Agency's Task-force on Research to Inform and Optimize Chemical Biological and Radiological Response  
*Hall, K., Drake, J., Hudson, S.*  
*US Environmental Protection Agency, Cincinnati*

**P.66** The U.S. Army's Operation Iraqi Freedom Depleted Uranium Bioassay Screening Program  
*Szrom, F., Falo, G.A., Alberth, D.P.*  
*US Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, Walter Reed Army Medical Center*

**P.67** The Mobility of Radiocesium and Plutonium in Roach Lake in Southern Nevada  
*Tabriz, M., Hodge, V., Steinberg, S.*  
*Yale University, University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

**P.68** Dosimetric Evaluation of <sup>142</sup>Pr Glass Applicator for the Treatment of Eye Plaques in Large Animals - A Feasibility Study  
*Jung, J., Vasudevan, L., Reece, W., Walker, M.*  
*Texas A&M University*

**P.69** Breakthrough Progress in the Design of a Traceable, but Robust and Affordable Beta Source for Contamination Monitors  
*Iwatschenko-Borho, M.*  
*Thermofisher*

**3:00-4:45 PM 401/402**

## **MPM-A: External Dosimetry**

Co-Chairs: Gus Potter, Mark Fishburn

**3:00 PM MPM-A.1**  
 Intercomparison on Measurements of the Quantity Personal Dose Equivalent Hp(d) by Active Personal Dosimeters  
*Cruz Suarez, R.*  
*IAEA, Austria*

**3:15 PM MPM-A.2**  
 Calculation of Build-up for a 20MeV Collimated Bremsstrahlung Beam  
*Shannon, M., Hertel, N., Norman, D., Jones, J.*  
*Georgia Tech, Idaho National Laboratory*

**3:30 PM MPM-A.3**  
 Characterization of a [<sup>137</sup>Cs] Irradiator from a New Perspective with Modern Dosimetric Tools  
*Brady, S.L., Toncheva, G., Dewhirst, M., Yoshizumi, T.*  
*Duke University*

**3:45 PM MPM-A.5**  
 Improving the Performance of a Tissue Equivalent Proportional Counter to High Energy Heavy Ions using Gases with High Multiplication Factors  
*Manglass, L.M., Borak, T.B.*  
*Colorado State University*

**4:00 PM MPM-A.6**  
 New Series of LiF:Mg,Cu,P Extremity Dosimeters  
*Luo, L., Velbeck, K.*  
*Thermo Fisher Scientific*

**4:15 PM MPM-A.7**  
 MCNP Modeling of the DT-702 TLD and Ionization Chambers Response to Cs-137  
*Hayashi, J., Benevides, L., Nelson, M.*  
*US Naval Academy, Naval Dosimetry Center*

**4:30 PM MPM-A.8**  
 Verification of Dose Rate and Energy Dependence of PAGAT Polymer Gel Dosimeter Using Photon Beams  
*Hadad, K., Azadbakht, B., Sahmatkesh, H.*  
*Shiraz University, Iran, Beheshti University*

**MPM-B: Homeland Security**

Co-Chairs: Nick Bates, Paul Stansbury

**3:00 PM****MPM-B.1**

US DOE/NNSA Search and Secure Program

*Mac Kenzie, C., Walker, S., Kahn, R.**LLNL/DOE/NNSA, Sandia National Laboratory, Argonne National Laboratory***3:15 PM****MPM-B.2**

Repatriation of US Radioactive Sources from Brazil

*Tompkins, J.A., Mourao, R., Leonard, S.*  
*LANL - OSR Project, CDTN-CNEN, IAEA***3:30 PM****MPM-B.3**

Modeling Human Response to Nuclear Effects as a Function of Systems, Signs, and Symptoms

*Curling, C., Disraelly, D.\*, Kriss, A.*  
*Institute for Defense Analyses***3:45 PM****MPM-B.4**

Primary Beam Dose Dependence on Distance from Cargo and People Scanners

*Strom, D.J., Cerra, F.**Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology***4:00 PM****MPM-B.5**

Development of Radioprotectant Caches in the State of Florida

*Lanza, J.J.**Florida Department of Health***4:15 PM****MPM-B.6**

Use of Portable Survey Meters for Rapid Assessment of Internal Contamination Monte Carlo Simulations Using the UF Hybrid Reference Adult Phantoms

*Hurtado, J., Lee, C., Bolch, W.*  
*University of Florida***4:30 PM****MPM-B.7**

Emergency Concentrations of Radioactivity in Food and Water for 10-Day Ingestion

*Brodsky, A.**Georgetown University***3:00-5:15 PM****406****MPM-C: Regulatory/Legal Issues**

Co-Chairs: Tom LaBone, Matt McFee

**3:00 PM****MPM-C.1**

The Gap in Regulation of Industrial Radiation Machines

*Brandon, T.*  
*IRSC, Inc.***3:15 PM****MPM-C.2**

Mammography Quality Assurance: Dual Regulation and the Need for Increased Oversight

*Brown, K., Anderko, C., Snyder, D.*  
*Geisinger Health System***3:30 PM****MPM-C.3**

Differences in Agreement States' Implementation of Regulations

*Chapel, S.*  
*IRSC Inc.***3:45 PM****MPM-C.4**

Agreement State Experience in Re-Licensing of a Conventional Uranium Mill

*Egidi, P.V.*  
*Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment***4:00 PM****MPM-C.5**

Transportation Regulations and Radiation Safety

*Brown, D., Woods, S.*  
*Halliburton Energy Services, Inc.***4:15 PM****MPM-C.6**

Assessment of Regulatory Requirements for Operating Active Interrogation Systems in Support of National Security Applications

*Shannon, M., Hertel, N., Norman, D., Jones, J.**Georgia Tech, Idaho National Laboratory*

**4:30 PM** **MPM-C.7**  
 Licensing and Compliance of Dosimetry  
 Services in Canada  
*Rickard, M.*  
*Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission*  
*(CNSC)*

**4:45 PM** **MPM-C.8**  
 Networking: An Efficient Tool for the  
 Implementation of the IAEA Standards  
*Cruz Suarez, R.*  
*IAEA, Austria*

**5:00 PM** **MPM-C.9**  
 Review of Standards of Protection for  
 Pregnant Workers and their Offspring  
*Cruz Suarez, R.*  
*IAEA, Austria*

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## **MPM-D: Operational Health Physics I**

Co-Chairs: Tara Medich, Jay Tarzia

**3:15 PM** **MPM-D.1**  
 The Decision- Making Process in  
 Determining the Fate of a Historical  
 Cyclotron  
*Hamawy, G.*  
*Columbia University*

**3:30 PM** **MPM-D.3**  
 Safety Concerns During the Repair of  
 Penn State's Breazeale Nuclear Reactor  
 Pool  
*Linsley, M.*  
*Penn State University*

**3:45 PM** **MPM-D.4**  
 Calibration of Low-Energy Photon  
 Emitting Irradiator Systems  
*Wagoner, D.A.*  
*Savannah River Site, Francis Marion*  
*University*

**4:00 PM** **MPM-D.5**  
 ALARA Analysis of Skyshine Dose for a  
 Bulk Vitrification Demonstration Project  
*Ikenberry, T.A., Brown, R.L., Leonard,*  
*M.W.*  
*Dade Moeller & Associates, CH2M Hill*  
*Hanford Group*

**4:15 PM** **MPM-D.6**  
 Decontamination of Medical  
 Radioisotopes from Hard Surfaces using  
 Peelable Polymer-Based  
 Decontamination Agents  
*Draine, A.E., Walter, K.J., O'Neill, M.P.,*  
*Edgington, G.J., Johnson, T.E.*  
*Colorado State University, Cellular*  
*Bioengineering, Inc.*

**4:30 PM** **MPM-D.7**  
 Decontamination of Cs-137, Pu-239, and  
 Am-241 from Hard Surfaces using a  
 Peelable Polymer-based Hydrogel  
*Edgington, G.J., O'Neill, M.P.\*, Holt-*  
*Larese, K.C.*  
*Cellular Bioengineering, Inc., Sandia*  
*National Laboratories*

**4:45 PM** **MPM-D.8**  
 CRCPD's Source Collection and Threat  
 Reduction Program  
*Winston, J.P.*  
*CRCPD Chair Elect and Healing Arts*  
*Council Chair*

## TUESDAY

**7:00-8:00 AM** **406**

**CEL 3** Spend a Little, Save a Lot! How Lightning Strike Detection Technology Supports Company and Community Activities

*James M. Hylko*

*Paducah Remediation Services, LLC*

**7:00-8:00 AM** **407**

**CEL 4** The Life Cycle of a Trend

*Steve Prevette*

*Fluor Hanford, Inc.*

**8:30 AM-Noon** **401/402**

### **TAM-A: Environmental I**

Co-Chairs: Matthew Barnett, Linnea Wahl

**8:30 AM** **TAM-A.1**

The Transfer of Cl-36 from Soil to Plant and the Potential for Phytoremediation

*Bytwerk, D., Higley, K.A.*

*Oregon State University*

**8:45 AM** **TAM-A.2**

A Comprehensive Study of the Depth Profile of Cs-137 in Surface Soils at the Idaho National Laboratory

*Giles, J.R., Oertel, C.P., Reynolds, B.D.*

*Idaho National Laboratory*

**9:00 AM** **TAM-A.3**

Independent Evaluation of Early Airborne Plutonium Releases from Los Alamos National Laboratory

*Widner, T., Shonka, J., O'Brien, J.*

*ChemRisk, Inc., Shonka Research Associates*

**9:15 AM** **TAM-A.4**

Examination of Results of Measurements of Plutonium in Human Tissue Samples from Past Residents of Los Alamos, New Mexico as Potential Sources of Information about Early Airborne Releases from Los Alamos Facilities

*Widner, T., Shonka, J., O'Brien, J., Donovan, E., Gaffney, S.*

*ChemRisk, Inc., Shonka Research Associates*

**9:30 AM** **TAM-A.5**

Reconstruction of the Radionuclide Activities for the Low Level Radwaste Drums Stored in Taiwan

*Wang, T-W., Tsai, T-L., Chang, B-j.\**

*Institute of Nuclear Energy Research, Taiwan, National Tsing Hua University*

**9:45 AM** **BREAK**

**10:15 AM** **TAM-A.6**

Influence of Present Dosimetry Data on Derived Concentration Guides

*Raabe, R.L., Eckerman, K.F.*

*Oak Ridge National Laboratory*

**10:30 AM** **TAM-A.7**

Effective Lifetime of a Charcoal Filter for Controlling Radioiodine Stack Emissions

*Wahl, L.*

*Lawrence Berkeley National Lab*

**10:45 AM** **TAM-A.8**

Self-Absorption Study Results of Gelman Versapor 3000 Filters Used in Air Sampling

*Barnett, J.M.*

*Pacific Northwest National Laboratory*

**11:00 AM** **TAM-A.9**

Influence of Dampers on the Results of Air Sampler Qualification Tests

*Glissmeyer, J.*

*Battelle Northwest*

**11:15 AM** **TAM-A.10**

Optimization of Environmental Radiation Monitoring for Nuclear Power Plants

*Fang, H-F., Chang, B-j.\*, Tsai, T-L.*

*Institute of Nuclear Energy Research,*

**11:30 AM TAM-A.11**  
 Measurement of Uranium Uptake by  
 Agricultural Crops in Jordan  
*Al Khahrouf, S., Dababneh, M.S., Al-  
 Hamarneh, I.N.*  
*Royal Scientific Society, Jordan*

**8:30 AM-Noon 403/404**

**TAM-B: Special Session:  
 Radiological Hazard  
 Assessment, Medical  
 Response, and Emergency  
 Planning Software Tools**

Co-Chairs: Tom O'Connell, Kyle Millage

**8:30 AM Introduction**  
*O'Connell, T., Millage, K.*

**Hazard Assessment Tools**

Co-Chairs: Tom O'Connell, Kyle Millage

**8:40 AM TAM-B.1**  
 Hazard Assessment Modeling Tools of  
 the National Atmospheric Release  
 Advisory Center  
*Nasstrom, J., Sugiyama, G., Baskett, R.*  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*

**9:00 AM TAM-B.2**  
 Hazard Predication and Assessment  
 Capability (HPAC): A Software  
 Application for Modeling the Effects of  
 Hazardous Material Releases  
*Millage, K., McClellan, G., Nelson, E.*  
*Applied Research Associates, Inc.,*  
*Defense Threat Reduction Agency*

**9:20 AM TAM-B.3**  
 Hotspot Health Physics Code for Hazard  
 Assessment Modeling  
*Homann, S., Nasstrom, J.\**  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*

**9:40 AM TAM-B.4**  
 Radiological Emergency Response  
 Planning and Exercise using Hotspot  
 Health Physics Codes  
*Buddemeier, B., Homann, S., Nasstrom, J.*  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*

**10:00 AM BREAK**

**Biological Response and  
 Dosimetry Tools**

Co-Chairs: Tom O'Connell, Ed Waller

**10:30 AM TAM-B.5**  
 Combined Human Response Nuclear  
 Effects Model (CHRNEM)  
*Curling, C., Disraelly, D., Kriss, A.*  
*Institute for Defense Analyses*

**10:50 AM TAM-B.6**  
 Radiation Induced Performance  
 Decrement (RIPD) and RIPD Lethality  
 and Injury Probability Interpolation  
 (RIPDLIPI): Software Applications for  
 Predicting Casualties from Protracted  
 Radiation Exposure  
*McClellan, G., Millage, K., Nelson, E.*  
*Applied Research Associates, Inc.,*  
*Defense Threat Reduction Agency*

**11:10 AM TAM-B.7**  
 AFRRI's Radiation Training and  
 Assessment Tools CDROM Supporting  
 Medical Management Response for  
 Radiation Casualty Incidents  
*Mercier, J.R., Dickerson, W.E., Ross,  
 J.A.\*, Sandgren, D.J., Blakely, W.F.*  
*Uniformed Services University, Armed  
 Forces Radiobiology Research Institute*

**11:30 AM**  
 Speaker Panel: Modeling  
 Limitations/Audience Questions

**Poster**

Miscellaneous Software Applications of  
 Interest to RN Emergency Responders  
 and Planners  
*Waller, E.*  
*University of Ontario Institute of  
 Technology*



**8:30 AM-Noon 405**

## **Movies**

**8:30-9:45 AM 406**

### **TAM-C1: Reactor Health Physics**

Co-Chairs: Matthew Arno, Carl Tarantino

**8:30 AM TAM-C1.1**

Neutron Transmission Measurements Through Novel Nanoparticle Shielding Material

*Burgett, E., Hertel, N., Harrison, C., Grulke, E.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology, University of Kentucky*

**8:45 AM TAM-C1.2**

Hot Cell Testing of Highly Irradiated Reactor Components

*Freyer, P.*

*Westinghouse Electric Company*

**9:00 AM TAM-C1.3**

Airborne Tritium (3H) Recapture in Frost at a Nuclear Power Reactor

*Harris, J., Miller, D.*

*Idaho State University, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

**9:15 AM TAM-C1.4**

Why Nuclear?

*Cioletti, J., Rajkovich, C.*

*Westinghouse Electric, LLC.*

**9:30 AM TAM-C1.5**

The Nuclear Power Renaissance; A Case for Local Environmental Health Specialist Involvement

*Sprau, D., Robinson, L.*

*East Carolina University*

**9:45 AM BREAK**

**10:15 AM 305**

**Reactor Section Business Meeting**

**10:15 AM-Noon 406**

### **TAM-C2: Accelerator**

Co-Chairs: Kamran Vaziri, Henry Kahnhauser

**10:15 AM TAM-C2.1**

A Review of High-Energy Dose Conversion Coefficients

*Hertel, N.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**10:45 AM TAM-C2.2**

Monitoring of Cf-252 Fission-Fragment Effluents

*Baker, S., Moore, F., Munyon, W.*

*Argonne National Laboratory*

**11:00 AM TAM-C2.3**

Activation of Air Linear Accelerator Facilities

*Caracappa, P.F., Singh, R., Marsh, D.*

*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

**11:15 AM TAM-C2.4**

Skyshine Radiation due to the Colorado State University Veterinary Medical Center Trilogy Accelerator

*Elder, D.H., Harmon, J.F., Borak, T.B.*

*Colorado State University*

**11:30 AM TAM-C2.5**

Gold Fission Cross Section Measurements with High Energy Neutrons

*Walker, L., Hill, T., Tovesson, F.\**

*Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**11:45 AM TAM-C2.6**

Applications of Laser Compton Scattered X-rays to Fissionable Materials Identification and Imaging

*Naeem, S., Wells, D., Chouffani, K.*

*Idaho State University*

**Noon Accelerator Section Business Meeting**

**TAM-D: Special Session:  
AAHP - Radiation Accidents  
and Incidents—Lessons  
Learned**

Co-Chairs: Ed Maher, Steve  
Rademacher

**8:30 AM**

Introduction and Session Goals  
*Ed Maher*

**8:45 AM**

**TAM-D.1**

Nuclear Weapons Accidents - Lessons  
Learned I  
*Groves, K., Taschner, J., Rademacher,  
S.\**

*S2 Sevorg Services, LLC, Air Force  
Safety Center*

**9:30 AM**

**TAM-D.2**

Nuclear Weapons Accidents - Lessons  
Learned II  
*Groves, K., Taschner, J., Rademacher, S.  
S2 Sevorg Services, LLC, Air Force  
Safety Center*

**10:15 AM**

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**10:45 AM**

**TAM-D.3**

Lessons Learned from Radiological  
Events at Los Alamos National  
Laboratory  
*Bliss, J., Somers, W., Costigan, S.,  
Hoover, P.  
Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**11:15 AM**

**TAM-D.4**

Medical Radiation Accidents - Lessons  
Learned  
*Walker, W.  
Oncology Med, Inc.*

**TAM-E: Medical Health  
Physics I**

Co-Chairs: Tara Medich, Dave Medich

**8:45 AM**

**TAM-E.1**

A Fluoroscopy Safety Program to  
Reduce the Risk of Patient Injury  
*Anderko, C., Brown, K.  
Geisinger Health System*

**9:00 AM**

**TAM-E.3**

Interventional Radiology - Time to Revisit  
the Lens Dose Equivalent Limits?  
*Dauer, L., Thornton, R., Balter, S.,  
Williamson, M., Altamirano, J.,  
Rothenberg, L., St. Germain, J.  
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center*

**9:15 AM**

**TAM-E.4**

Craniosynostosis Radiation Dose  
Measurements from a 320 Slice  
Computed Tomography Scanner  
*Etnire, R.T., Orrison, W.W., Hanson,  
E.H., Patton, P.W.  
University of Nevada, Las Vegas,  
Nevada Imaging Centers, Amigenics*

**9:30 AM**

**TAM-E.5**

Internal Electron and External Photon  
Skeletal Dosimetry for the UF Hybrid  
Computational Newborn Phantom  
*Pafundi, D., Johnson, P., Lee, C., Rajon,  
D., Lodwick, D., Bolch, W.  
University of Florida, Gainesville*

**9:45 AM**

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**10:15 AM**

**TAM-E.6**

Size Adjustable Worker Models for  
Improved Radiation Protection  
Dosimetry  
*Zhang, J.Y., Na, Y.H., Xu, X.G.  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*



**10:30 AM TAM-E.7**

Measurement of Scattered Radiation: Comparison of a 320-Slice to a 16-Slice and 64-Slice CT Scanner With and Without Shielding

*Davis, J.E., Orrison, W.W., Hanson, E.H., Cadwalader, J.A., Patton, P.W.*

*University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada Imaging Centers, Amigenics, Worldwide Inovations & Technologies, Inc.*

**10:45 AM TAM-E.8**

Comparison of Main Software Packages for CT Dose Reporting

*Gu, J.W., Dorgu, A., Xu, X.G.*

*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

**11:00 AM TAM-E.9**

Comparison of Computed Tomography Shielding Methods

*Jackson, A., Blechinger, J.*

*Henry Ford Health System*

**11:15 AM TAM-E.10**

A Preliminary Study to Assess Dose to Pregnant Females and Fetuses Undergoing CT Examinations

*Gu, J.W., Taranenko, V., Bednarz, B., Caracappa, P., Xu, X.G.*

*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

**11:30 AM TAM-E.11**

Evaluation of Photon and Neutron Activations during Radiation Treatments

*Han, B., Bednarz, B., Danon, Y., Xu, X.G.*

*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

**11:45 AM Medical Section Business Meeting**

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**TPM-A: Environmental II**

Co-Chairs: Joe Shonka, Robert Fjeld

**2:30 PM TPM-A.1**

An Examination of Cs and Sr Retardation Factors from Lysimeter Field Studies

*Thompson, S.W., Fjeld, R.A.*

*Clemson University*

**2:45 PM TPM-A.2**

Optimization of Microprecipitation as a Sample Preparation Method for Alpha Spectroscopy

*Kelly, L.R., Stock, S., Patton, P.W., Sudowe, R.*

*University of Nevada Las Vegas*

**3:00 PM TPM-A.3**

Study of the Subsurface Radiation Environment in the Canadian Arctic

*Colvin, E., Hertel, N., McKay, C.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology, NASA Ames Research Center*

**3:15 PM TPM-A.4**

Electret Ion Chamber Based Radon Flux Monitor, a Tool for Cost and Time Efficient Uranium Exploration

*Kotrappa, P., Stieff, L., Stieff, F.*

*Rad Elec Inc.*

**3:30 PM TPM-A.5**

Autoradiography Image Processing Method for Spectral-Spatial Analysis

*Zeissler, C. J.*

*National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg*

**3:45 PM BREAK****4:15 PM TPM-A.6**

Next Generation of the German Gamma Dose Rate Monitoring Network

*Stoehlker, U., Luff, R., Harms, W., Thoma, J., Wolfert, J., Bleher, M.*

*German Radiation Protection Office*

**4:30 PM TPM-A.7**

The Schauinsland Intercalibration Facility

*Stoehlker, U., Bleher, M.*

*German Radiation Protection Office*

**4:45 PM TPM-A.8**

Radioactivity in Drilled and Dug WWII Drinking Water of Ogun State

*Southwestern Nigeria and Consequent Dose Estimates*

*Ajayi, O., Achuka, A.*

*Federal University of Technology, Nigeria*

**TPM-B: Special Session:  
Radiological Hazard  
Assessment, Medical  
Response, and Emergency  
Planning Software Tools**

Co-Chairs: Tom O'Connell, Glen  
Reeves

**Medical Response and Planning  
Tools**

**2:30 PM**

**TPM-B.1**

AFRRI's First-Responder Radiological  
Assessment Triage (FRAT) Software  
Application Supporting Medical  
Recording and Triage Dose Assessment  
During Radiation Casualty Incidents

*Blakely, W.F., Levine, I.H., Sandgren,  
D.J.*

*AFRRI*

**2:50 PM**

**TPM-B.2**

AFRRI's Biodosimetry Assessment Tool  
(BAT) Software Application Supporting  
Medical Recording during Radiation  
Casualty Incidents

*Blakely, W.F., Levine, I.H., Sandgren,  
D.J.*

*AFRRI*

**3:10 PM**

**TPM-B.3**

Software to Assist Medical Personnel  
and First Responders in Determining  
Appropriate Triage and Treatment for  
MEDical DECORporation of Internalized  
Radionuclides

*Waller, E., Wilkinson, D.*

*University of Ontario Institute of  
Technology, Defence R&D Canada  
Ottawa*

**3:30 PM**

**BREAK**

**3:45 PM**

**TPM-B.4**

Medical Nuclear, Biological and  
Chemical Casualty and Resource  
Estimation Support Tool (NBC CREST):  
A Software Application for Medical  
Planning and Response

*McClellan, G., Bergman, J., Nelson, E.  
Applied Research Associates, Inc.,  
Defense Threat Reduction Agency*

**4:05 PM**

**TPM-B.5**

Computer Tools to Assist Health Care  
Providers and Other Professionals in  
Treating Victims of an Event Involving  
Radiation

*Miller, C.W., Nemhauser, J.B.,  
Whitcomb, Jr., R.C., McCurley, C.M.,  
Ansari, A., Jones, R.L.*

*Centers for Disease Control and  
Prevention (CDC)*

**4:25 PM**

Speaker Panel: Modeling Limitations/  
Audience Questions

**4:40 PM**

Panel Discussion: Software Application  
to Scenarios, Medical and HP  
Perspectives

*O'Connell, T., Buddemeier, B., Reeves, G.*

**2:30-5:00 PM**

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### **TPM-C: NESHAPs - Rad Air**

Co-Chairs: Matthew Barnett, Gustavo Vazquez

The NESHAP - Rad Air meeting is an open opportunity for individuals to meet with regulators and Department of Energy staff and discuss radioactive air emissions programs across the country. The meeting primarily focuses on Department of Energy sites and compliance with the Subpart H requirements for radioactive air emissions. It also includes relevant discussion on ANSI/HPS N13.1 for sampling at a well mixed location. Current topics include status of the ISO comparable standard to N13.1, CAP88 runs and surrogate isotopes, and compliance status of facilities to the standards.

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### **TPM-D: Special Session: AAHP - Radiation Accidents and Incidents—Lessons Learned**

Co-Chairs: Ed Maher, Steve Rademacher

**2:30 PM** **TPM-D.1**

Highlights and Lessons Learned from a State Perspective During the TMI Accident

*Dornsife, W.P.*

*Waste Control Specialists*

**3:15 PM** **TPM-D.2**

Psychosocial and Communications Issues: Lessons Learned

*Becker, S.M.*

*University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Public Health*

**3:45 PM** **BREAK**

**4:15 PM** **TPM-D.3**

An Internal Contamination Experience and the Effects on Academic Research

*Ring, J.*

*Harvard University*

**4:45 PM** **Roundtable Discussion**

**5:15 PM** **407**

### **AAHP Open Meeting**

**2:30-5:00 PM** **408/409**

### **TPM-E: Operational Health Physics II**

Co-Chairs: Nolan Hertel, Liz Brackett

**2:30 PM** **TPM-E.1**

A Simple Demonstration of Overdispersion

*Jenkins, P.*

*Bowser-Morner, Inc.*

**2:45 PM** **TPM-E.2**

Tritium Counting Efficiency of Glass Fiber Vs. Polytetrafluoroethylene Filters

*Dailey, A.*

*Clemson University, Savannah River Site*

**3:00 PM** **TPM-E.3**

Probabilistic Model Evaluation of Continuous Air Monitor Response Relative to Protection Goals

*Whicker, J., Justus, A.*

*Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**3:15 PM** **TPM-E.4**

Doing More with Existing Personnel: The Yale University OEHS Safety Advisor

*Charbonneau, K., Fontes, B.*

*Yale University*

**3:30 PM** **BREAK**

**4:00 PM**

The New Health Physics Option in the  
NRE Masters Degree at Georgia Tech  
*Burgett, E., Hertel, N.\**  
*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**TPM-E.5****4:15 PM**

Pee Dee Physics Day: A Student-Led  
Attempt to Increase HP Undergraduate  
Recruitment  
*Penland, S., Gause, S., Kusserow, D.,*  
*Capps, J.*  
*Francis Marion University*

**TPM-E.6****4:30 PM**

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory  
Support for the NNSA Sister Laboratory  
Arrangements Program LLNL-PRES-  
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**TPM-E.7**

*Sprague, D., Jones, G.*

*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*  
*(LLNL)*

**4:45 PM**

International Atomic Energy Agency  
Efforts on National Strategies for  
Regaining Control over Orphan Sources  
*Reber, E., Friedrich, V., Dodd, B.*  
*International Atomic Energy Agency,*  
*BDConsulting*

**TPM-E.8**

## **HPS Awards Dinner and Reception**

7:00-10:00 pm

Allegheny Ballroom, Westin Pittsburgh

### **NOTE FOR CHPs**

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- \* HPS 2 PEP courses are granted 4 CECs each;
- \* HPS 1 hour CELs are granted 2 CECs each.

## WEDNESDAY

**7:00-8:00 AM** **406**

**CEL 5** Uncertainty Assessment in Atmospheric Dispersion Computations  
*Erno Sajo*  
*Louisiana State University*

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**CEL 6** Looking at the Big Picture  
*Andy Karam*  
*Karam Consulting LLC*

**8:30 AM-Noon** **401/402**

### **WAM-A: Special Session: Environmental Issues Associated with the Resurgence of Uranium Recovery Operations**

Co-Chairs: Craig Little, Bob Meyer

**8:30 AM**  
Introduction

**8:45 AM** **WAM-A.1**  
Global Trends in Uranium Resource Development  
*Feasby, D.G., Chambers, D.B., Lowe, L.M*  
*SENES Consultants Limited*

**9:15 AM** **WAM-A.2**  
Environmental Issues Associated with In Situ Uranium Recovery  
*Griffin, M.*  
*Uranium One Americas*

**9:45 AM** **BREAK**

**10:15 AM** **WAM-A.3**  
Radon Gas and Progeny Emissions from High Grade Uranium Mines  
*Seier, M., Toews, K.*  
*Cameco Corporation*

**10:45 AM** **WAM-A.4**  
The New Generation of Uranium In Situ Recovery Facilities: Design Improvements Should Reduce Radiological Impacts  
*Brown, S.H.*  
*SHB, Inc.*

**11:15 AM** **WAM-A.5**

Advances in Uranium Recovery Facility Characterization Techniques - Compliance with Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulatory Guide 4.14  
*Whicker, R.*  
*Tetra Tech*

**11:45 AM** **WAM-A.6**

Adventures in Public Information: A Uranium Case Study  
*Johnson, J.A., Brown, S.H., Johnson, T.*  
*Tetra Tech, SHB, Inc., Colorado State University*

**2:30 PM** **305**

### **Environmental Section Business Meeting**

**8:30 AM-12:15 PM** **403/404**

### **WAM-B: Special Session: Emergency Response Modeling**

Co-Chairs: Bill Rhodes, Rob Forrest

**8:30 AM** **Introduction**

**8:45 AM** **WAM-B.1**  
Assessment of Emergency Response Planning and Implementation in the Aftermath of Major Natural Disasters and Technological Accidents  
*Milligan, P., Jones, J.*  
*US Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Sandia National Laboratories*

**9:15 AM** **WAM-B.2**

Impact of Prompt Effects on Response to an Improvised Nuclear Device Detonation in an Urban Area  
*Klennert, L.*  
*Sandia National Laboratories*

**9:45 AM** **WAM-B.3**

Improvements for Nuclear Terrorism Consequence Management Planning  
*Buddemeier, B., Dombroski, M., Wheeler, R., Maheras, S., Carnell, R.*  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Battelle*

**10:15 AM** **BREAK**

**10:45 AM** **WAM-B.4**

Shelter-Evacuate Strategies and Consequences Following an Urban Nuclear Detonation

*Law, K., West, T., Brandt, L. \*, Yoshimura, A.*

*Sandia National Laboratories*

**11:15 AM** **WAM-B.5**

Radiological Terrorism: Risks and Options

*Connell, L.W.*

*Sandia National Laboratories*

**11:45 AM** **WAM-B.6**

Radiological Dispersal Devices: Physically Based Dispersal Characteristics and Limitations

*Harper, F.*

*Sandia National Laboratories*

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## **WAM-C: Medical Health Physics II**

Co-Chairs: Elyse Thomas, Jan Braun

**8:45 AM** **WAM-C.1**

The Long Path of Tc-99m Production in North America

*Cevera, M., Waller, E., Johnson, T.*

*Colorado State University, University of Ontario Institute of Technology*

**9:00 AM** **WAM-C.3**

Nuclear Medicine Waiting Room Dose Rates

*Williamson, M., Dauer, L.T., Casciotta, K., Strauss, H.W.*

*Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center*

**9:15 AM** **WAM-C.4**

A 3-Year Review of a Thyroid Bioassay Program at a Large Cancer Hospital

*Williamson, M.J., Dauer, L.T.*

*Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center*

**9:30 AM** **WAM-C.5**

Increased Radiation Control for Simultaneous Therapeutic Iodine-131 and Hemodialysis Patient Treatments

*Bryant, B.*

*University of Alabama at Birmingham*

**9:45 AM** **WAM-C.6**

Effective Monitoring and Reduction of I-131 Effluent at a Medical Facility

*Burton, D., Massey, R., Quang, E. \**

*Walter Reed Army Medical Center*

**10:00 AM** **BREAK**

**10:30 AM** **WAM-C.7**

Photochemical Delivery of Bleomycin in Malignant Glioma Cells

*Blickenstaff, J.W., Vo, V., Hirschberg, H., Madsen, S.J.*

*University of Nevada, Las Vegas,*

*University of California, Irvine*

**10:45 AM** **WAM-C.8**

Selective Disruption of the Blood-brain Barrier by Photodynamic Therapy

*Zhang, M.J., Chighvinadze, D., Hirschberg, H., Madsen, S.J.*

*University of Nevada, Las Vegas,*

*University of California, Irvine*

**11:00 AM** **WAM-C.9**

Dosimetry Characterization of a Multi-Beam Radiotherapy Treatment for Age-Related Macular Degeneration

*Lee, C., Howell, R., Gertner, M., Chell, E., Hansen, S., Bolch, W.*

*University of Florida, University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey, Oraya Therapeutics*

**11:15 AM** **WAM-C.10**

Effect of Chemotherapy on the Spatial Distribution of Stem Cells in Human Bone Marrow

*Kielar, K.N., Bolch, W.E., Shahlaee, A.H., Braylan, R.C.*

*University of Florida*

**11:30 AM** **WAM-C.11**  
Ocular Malignant Melanoma Radiation  
Dose Optimization  
*Ryan, M., Makinson, K.A. \*, Cazalas, E.*  
*Oregon State University*

**11:45 AM** **WAM-C.12**  
Comparison Between Photodynamic  
Death of Cultured Melanoma and  
Melanocyte Cells using a Vital Stain and  
the Inflicted Biomolecular Damage using  
Synchrotron Infrared Microspectroscopy  
*Mamoon, A., Talaat, R., Martin, M.,  
Bjornstad, K., Blakely, E.*  
*Egyptian Atomic Energy Authority, Egypt,  
Menoufia University, Egypt, Lawrence  
Berkeley National Laboratory*

**8:30 AM-Noon** **407**

**WAM-D: Special Session:  
Pennsylvania's Radiological  
History I**

Chair: David Allard

**8:30 AM** **WAM-D.1**  
Pennsylvania's Atomic Trails and Tales  
*Allard, D.*  
*Pennsylvania DEP/BRP*

**9:30 AM** **WAM-D.2**  
Marie Curie and Pennsylvania Radium  
*Lubenau, J.*  
*Lititz, PA*

**10:30 AM** **BREAK**

**11:00 AM** **WAM-D.3**  
The Hartman Diaries & PA Radium (or, A  
1920's Health Physicist)  
*Porter, Jr., S.W.*  
*Porter Consultants, Inc.*

**2:30-4:45 PM** **401/402**

**WPM-A: Decommissioning**

Co-Chairs: Jim Berger, Joe Shonka

**2:30 PM** **WPM-A.1**  
Independent Verification Objectives and  
Recent Lessons Learned  
*Roberts, S., Abelquist, E.*  
*Oak Ridge Associated Universities  
(ORAU)*

**2:45 PM** **WPM-A.2**  
Hot Spot Limits—A Closer Look at Dose  
Modeling used to Establish Hot Spot  
Release Criteria  
*Abelquist, E.W.*  
*Oak Ridge Associated Universities  
(ORAU)*

**3:00 PM** **WPM-A.3**  
The Use of Parametric Statistics to  
Determine the Number of Samples  
Needed to Release a Site  
*Gaul, W.C., Jansen, W.G.*  
*Chesapeake Nuclear Services, Project  
Enhancement Corp.*

**3:15 PM** **WPM-A.4**  
A Comparison of Prediction Equations  
for the Isotopic Distribution of Enriched  
Uranium and the Impact on the  
Determination of Decommissioning  
Criteria  
*Nardi, A.J.*  
*ENERCON Services, Inc.*

**3:30 PM** **WPM-A.5**  
Selection of Statistical Tests as a Cost-  
Benefit Decision Tool for Radiological  
Remediation  
*Gaul, W.C., Jansen, W. G.*  
*Chesapeake Nuclear Services, Project  
Enhancement Corporation*

**3:45 PM** **BREAK**

**4:15 PM** **WPM-A.6**  
The Preparation of Two DOE Authorized  
Limit Applications for the Release of  
Filter Medium for Regeneration  
*Ottley, D.B.*  
*Fluor Hanford*



**4:30 PM WPM-A.7**  
 Characterization of Activation Products in  
 a Decommissioned Medical Cyclotron  
*Meyer, K., Moroney, R., Maldonado, D.*  
*Areva Federal Services, Siemens*  
*Molecular Imaging, Inc.*

**4:45 PM Decommissioning Section  
 Business Meeting**

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### **WPM-B: Special Session: Emergency Response Modeling**

Co-Chairs: Bill Rhodes, Steve Musolino

**2:30 PM WPM-B.1**  
 Canadian Experimental and Modeling  
 Projects for Radiological Dispersal  
 Device Characterization  
*Erhardt, L., Brousseau, P., Roy, G.,*  
*Andrews, W., Green, A., Fusina, G., Rao,*  
*G.*

*Defence R&D Canada, Ottawa,*  
*Valcartier and Suffield, Royal Military*  
*College of Canada*

**3:00 PM WPM-B.2**  
 The US Department of Energy  
 Emergency Response Assets for  
 Radiological Consequence Management  
*Bowman, D.R.*  
*US Department of Energy*

**3:30 PM WPM-B.3**  
 The Relationship between Modeling and  
 Field Response Activities during a  
 Radiological Material Dispersal Event  
*Riland, C., Mena, R.*  
*RSL-NELLIS*

**4:00 PM BREAK**

**4:30 PM WPM-B.4**  
 Advances in NARAC/IMAAC  
 Consequence Assessment Modeling of  
 Airborne Hazards  
*Sugiyama, G., Nasstrom, J., Baskett, R.*  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*

**5:00 PM WPM-B.5**  
 Turbo FRMAC 2.0  
*Fulton, J.*  
*Sandia National Laboratories*

**2:30-5:00 PM 405**

### **Movies**

**2:30-3:30 PM 406**

### **WPM-C1: Internal Dosimetry**

Co-Chairs: Jim Griffin, Jay MacLellan

**2:30 PM WPM-C1.1**  
 Canadian National Internal Dosimetry  
 Intercomparison Programme  
*Kramer, G.*  
*Health Canada*

**2:45 PM WPM-C1.2**  
 Health Effects of Internally Deposited  
 Radionuclides  
*Raabe, O.*  
*University of California, Davis*

**3:00 PM WPM-C1.3**  
 Upgrading the United States  
 Transuranium and Uranium Registries'  
 Health Physics Database  
*McCord, S., James, A.*  
*United States Transuranium and*  
*Uranium Registries*

**3:15 PM WPM-C1.4**  
 Whole Body Reaction on the Local  
 Irradiation as a New Conceptual Base for  
 Safety Recommendations  
*Kapanadze, A.*  
*Georgian National Cancer Center*

**3:45-5:15 PM 406**

### **WPM-C2: Nanotechnology**

Co-Chairs: Scott Walker, Mark Hoover

**3:45 PM WPM-C2.1**  
 Review of Nanotechnology Safety  
*Dua, S., Mwaishela-Rose, J.*  
*Florida International University*



**4:00 PM** **WPM-C2.2**  
 Nanomaterials: New Challenges in  
 Environmental Health and Safety  
*Sun, C., Gallagher, R.*  
*Health International Inc.*

**4:15 PM** **WPM-C2.3**  
 Nanoparticle Issues for the Health  
 Physicist: Insights from the NIOSH  
 Nanotechnology Research Program  
*Hoover, M.D.*  
*National Institute for Occupational Safety  
 and Health*

**4:30 PM** **WPM-C2.4**  
 An Overview of Current and Proposed  
 Radioactive Nano  
*Walker, L.S.*  
*Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**4:45 PM** **WPM-C2.5**  
 Panel Discussion

**Poster**  
 Nanotechnology - Are We Ready?  
*Day, L., Walker, L.*  
*Louisiana State University, CAMD, Los  
 Alamos National Laboratory*

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## **WPM-D1: Special Session: Pennsylvania's Radiological History II**

Chair: David Allard

**2:30 PM** **WPM-D1.1**  
 Radium on Film  
*Frame, P., Lubenau, J.*  
*Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Lititz,  
 PA*

**3:45-5:30 PM** **407**

## **WPM-D2: Special Session: Military Health Physics**

Co-Chairs: Bob Cherry, Scott Nicholson

**3:45 PM** **Introduction**

**4:00 PM** **WPM-D2.1**  
 The Role of the Army Nuclear Medical  
 Science Officer in the Global War on  
 Terrorism  
*Melanson, M.A.*  
*Radiological Hygiene Consultant to the  
 Army Surgeon*

**4:15 PM** **WPM-D2.2**  
 US Air Force Health Physics operations  
 in the US Central Command area of  
 responsibility  
*Nicholson S.M., Martilla K.E., Pugh, D.L.,  
 Favret, D.J.\*, Thomas, D.D., Dewey,  
 S.C., Harcek, B.G.*  
*US Air Force*

**4:30 PM** **WPM-D2.3**  
 An Evaluation of First Responder  
 Radiation Exposures Resulting from the  
 1960 Boeing Michigan Aeronautical  
 Research Center Missile Fire at McGuire  
 Air Force Base, New Jersey, as an  
 Indicator of Future Exposure Risk  
*Chaparro, O., Smith, D., Rademacher,  
 S., Thomas, D., Glover, S., Spitz, H.*  
*Air Force Institute of Technology, Air  
 Force Safety Center, Air Force Institute  
 of Operational Health, University of  
 Cincinnati*

**4:45 PM** **WPM-D2.4**  
 Transformational Integration of Health  
 Physics and Bioenvironmental  
 Engineering:  
*Nicholson, S.M., Mukota, T.J., Cagle,  
 A.J.*  
*US Air Force*

**5:00 PM** **WPM-D2.5**  
 Improvised Nuclear Device or  
 Radiological Dispersal Device Post-  
 Attack Mass Casualty Triage and  
 Treatment for Internal Exposure to  
 Radioactive Materials  
*Martilla, K., Thomas, D., Rademacher,  
 S., Johnson, C.*  
*US Air Force*

**5:15 PM** **WPM-D2.6**  
 A Recap of the 1981-1985 Research  
 Program to Assess How Acute Radiation  
 Dose Signs and Symptoms Degrade  
 Performance of Battlefield Tasks  
*Myers, P., Anno, G., McClellan, G.,  
 Young, R., Auton, D., Davidson, C.*  
*US Army Retired, Pacific Sierra  
 Research Corp, Defense Nuclear  
 Agency, US Army Nuclear and Chemical  
 Agency*

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## HPS Business Meeting

**6:00-8:30 PM** **Westmoreland Central  
 Westin**

## WPM-E: ADJUNCT TECHNICAL SESSION Aerosol Measurements

Chair: Morgan Cox

**WPM-E.1** Representativeness of Air  
 Samples  
*Hadlock, D.*  
*Savannah River Site.*

**WPM-E.2** Progress Report on the  
 Book "Radioactive Air Sampling Methods"  
*Maiello, M.L.*  
*Wyeth Research*

**WPM-E.3** Update on the NIOSH  
 Direct Reading Methods Initiative  
*Hoover, M.D.*  
*National Institute for Occupational Safety  
 and Health*

**WPM-E.4** Radiation Protection for  
 Uranium Miners  
*Hoover, M.D., Howie, W.L., Miller, A.L.*  
*National Institute for Occupational Safety  
 and Health*

**WPM-E.5** Aerosol Phase-Space  
 Tracking Using Radiation Transport  
 Theory  
*Sajo, E.*  
*Louisiana State University*

**WPM-E.6** A Review of Three New  
 IEC Air Monitoring Standards: IEC 62302  
 for Noble Gas Monitoring, IEC 62303 for  
 Tritium Monitoring, and IEC 60951  
 (Revision) for Reactor Emergency and  
 Post-Accident Monitoring  
*Cox, M.*  
*Consultant*

**WPM-E.7** Air Monitoring Evaluations  
 at Los Alamos National Laboratory  
*Voss, T.*  
*Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)*

**WPM-E.8** Potential Technology  
 Enhancements for Air Monitoring  
*Desrosiers, A.*  
*Dade Moeller & Associates*

**WPM-E.9** The Solution to Pu-241  
 Surface Contamination Values in  
 Appendix D of 10 CFR 835: Exemption  
 Relief Application  
*Chiou, H-C.*  
*Washington TRU Solutions*

**WPM-E.10** Collection of PM 2.5 Air  
 Samples using Harvard-Type Impac-tors  
 for Elemental Analysis using NAA, XRF,  
 and ECOC to Estimate Exposure of  
 Children to Traffic-Associated Particulate  
 Matter in an Urban Area with Intense  
 Highway Traffic  
*Spitz, H., Glover, S., Lobaugh, M.,  
 Grinshpun, S.*  
*Univerisity of Cincinnati*

## THURSDAY

**7:00-8:00 AM** **406**

**CEL 7** Pu-238 Source Leak Event:  
Internal Dosimetry Considerations  
*Rob Jones*  
*Pacific Northwest National Laboratory*

**7:00-8:00 AM** **407**

**CEL 8** The Most Powerful Tool for  
Effective Risk Communication - Active  
Listening  
*Ray Johnson*  
*Dade Moeller & Associates Radiation*  
*Safety Academy Division*

**8:45-11:45 AM** **401/402**

### **THAM-A: Instrumentation**

Co-Chairs: Tim Kirkham, Bob Kellner

**8:45 AM** **THAM-A.2**

Preliminary Evaluation of a Portable  
Handheld Combined Gamma and  
Neutron Directional Isotopic Identifying  
Detector  
*Hayes, R.*  
*Remote Sensing Lab*

**9:00 AM** **THAM-A.3**

Supporting Your Emergency Response  
Organization - What Every Health  
Physicist Needs to Know About  
Instrumentation  
*Van Cleef, D.*  
*Advanced Measurement Technology,*  
*Inc.*

**9:15 AM** **THAM-A.4**

Recent Progress on the Fast and  
Accurate Measurement of Ambient Dose  
Equivalent H\*(10) and Directional Dose  
Equivalent H'(0.07) with Pocket Sized  
Survey Meters  
*Iwatschenko-Borho, M.*  
*Thermo Fisher Scientific*

**9:30 AM** **BREAK**

**10:00 AM** **THAM-A.6**

Health Physics Student Use and Testing  
of a New Portable Gamma Spectroscopy  
System  
*Simpson, D., Ngijoi-Yogo, E., Rundle, D.,*  
*Barvitskie, T.*  
*Bloomsburg University, eV Products*

**10:15 AM** **THAM-A.7**

Verification of an Excel Program  
Modeling Photons Incident on Lead  
*Penland, S.L., Fulmer, P.C., Jokisch, D.W.*  
*Francis Marion University*

**10:30 AM** **THAM-A.8**

Using Shewhart Charts, An SPC  
Technique, in Assessing Portable Survey  
Detection Instrument Health  
*Brown, D.*  
*Shaw Group*

**10:45 AM** **THAM-A.9**

Design and Performance of a Personal  
Inhalation Dose Monitor for Security and  
Nuclear Power Applications  
*Sawyer, J., Iwatschenko-Borho, M.*  
*Thermo Fisher Scientific*

**11:00 AM** **THAM-A.10**

Proportional Counting of Tritium Gas  
Generated by Polymer Electrolyte  
Membrane (PEM) Electrolysis of Tritiated  
Water Standards  
*Soreefan, A., DeVol, T.*  
*Clemson University*

**11:15 AM** **THAM-A.11**

Performance of a Plastic Scintillation  
Based Tool Monitor used to Discriminate  
Between Naturally Occurring and  
Artificial Radionuclides  
*Pottinger, M., Iwatschenko-Bohro, M.*  
*Thermo Fisher Scientific*

**11:30 AM** **THAM-A.12**

Alternate Technique for Field Estimation  
of Uranium Enrichment  
*Favret, D., Gross, I., Meyers, S., Argo,*  
*W., Pugh, D.*  
*Air Force Institute for Occupational*  
*Health, Oak Ridge National Laboratory,*  
*US Army 20th SUPCOM (CBRNE)*

## THAM-B: Emergency Planning/Response

Co-Chairs: Nick Bates, Eric Burgett

**8:30 AM**

**THAM-B.4**

Introduction and Demonstration of a Portable Radiation Emergency Command Packet

*Crawford, J.*

*University of Missouri, Columbia*

**8:45 AM**

**THAM-B.1**

Effective Use of Medical Countermeasures for Public Health Emergencies Involving Radiation

*Miller, C.W., Adams, S.A., Whitcomb, Jr., R.C., Jones, R.L.*

*Centers for Disease Control*

**9:00 AM**

**THAM-B.2**

Radiological Emergency Management: Managing Resources & Targeting Efforts in Light of New Technologies and Protective Action Guidance

*Silvers, J.*

*US Air Force, Eglin, FL*

**9:15 AM**

**THAM-B.3**

Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission

*Brock, K.*

*US Nuclear Regulatory Commission*

**9:30 AM**

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**10:00 AM**

**THAM-B.5**

Internal Radioactivity Level Estimation by Depth Deconvolution

*Bellamy, M., Hertel, N.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**10:15 AM**

**THAM-B.6**

Assessing Internal Contamination after an RDD Event using Readily Available NaI Detectors

*Dewji, S., Hertel, N., Scarboro, S., Manger, R.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**10:30 AM**

**THAM-B.7**

Using a Dose Rate Meter to Assess Internal Dose Following a Radiological Dispersion Device

*LoBracco, C., Hertel, N.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**10:45 AM**

**THAM-B.8**

Assessing Internal Dose after a Radiological Dispersion Device with a GM Detector

*Manger, R., Hertel, N.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

**11:00 AM**

**THAM-B.9**

Assaying Internal Contamination Following a Radioactive Dispersal Device Using a Thyroid Probe

*Scarboro, S., Hertel, N., Burgett, E., Howell, R.*

*Georgia Institute of Technology, University of Texas, MD Anderson*

**11:15 AM**

**THAM-B.10**

An Orofacial Radiation Detection Device for Rapid Triage of Personnel at Risk of Internal Radionuclide Contamination from Inhalation

*Waller, E.*

*University of Ontario Institute of Technology*

**11:30 AM**

**THAM-B.11**

Q-band Electron Paramagnetic Resonance Dosimetry in Micro Biosamples

*Romanyukha, A., De, T., Pass, B., Schauer, D., Romanyukha, L., Trompier, F., Clairand, I., Misra, P., Benevides, L.*

*Naval Dosimetry Center, Howard University, NCRP, USUHS, IRSN*

**THAM-C: Risk Analysis**

Co-Chairs: Louise Buker, Ed Parsons

**8:30 AM****THAM-C.1**

Perception of "Safe" Dose Among a Group of Radiation Professionals

*Ansari, A.**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention***8:45 AM****THAM-C.2**

The Spatial Distribution of Solid Cancer Incidence in the Japanese Atomic Bomb Survivors

*Cullings, H., Funamoto, S.**Radiation Effects Research Foundation***9:00 AM****THAM-C.3**

Risk-Based Prioritization for Nuclear Material Repackaging - An Approach Combining Decision and Statistical Science Techniques

*Hoffman, J., Kelly, E., Koehler, A., Smith, P.*  
*Los Alamos National Laboratory***9:15 AM****THAM-C.4**

Evaluation of Potential Biological and Environmental Effects of United States Launches of Large Radionuclide Sources

*Tupin, E., Anspaugh, L., Goldman, M., Nelson, R., Poppell, S., Scott, R.**US Environmental Protection Agency, University of Utah, University of California, Davis, US Department of Energy, National Aeronautics and Space Administration***9:30 AM****THAM-C.5**

Update of Research on Low Dose Radiation Effects and Risk

*Dauer, L.D., Brooks, A.L., Hoel, D.G., McGrath, R.N., Morgan, W.F., Stram, D.O., Tran, P.K.**Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Washington State University, University of South Carolina, Electric Power Research Institute, University of Maryland, University of Southern California***9:45 AM****BREAK****10:00 AM****THAM-C.6**

Ionizing Radiation Exposure of the US Population

*Kase, K.R., Rosenstein, M., Miller, K.L., Quinn, D.M., Strom, D.J., Suleiman, O., Thomadsen, B.R.**National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements, Hershey Medical Center, DAQ, Inc, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, US Food and Drug Administration, University of Wisconsin***10:15 AM****THAM-C.7**

Answering Risk Concerns Following Diagnostic X-ray Exam via E-mails

*Jacobus, J.**National Institutes of Health***8:30-11:45 AM****407****THAM-D: Internal Dosimetry and Bioassay**

Co-Chairs: Gary Kramer, Jay MacLellan

**8:30 AM****THAM-D.1**

Alpha-Emitter Bioassay for Emergency Response

*Li, C., Lariviere, D., Kramer, G., Cornett, J.**Health Canada***8:45 AM****THAM-D.2**

Evaluation of Elevated Uranium Bioassay Samples

*Bland, J.S., Gaul, W.**Chesapeake Nuclear Services***9:00 AM****THAM-D.3**

So Why Shouldn't You Run Bioassay Samples Through an ICPMS Environmental Metals Laboratory?

*MacLellan, J., Timm, R., Fehr, A.**Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, GEL Laboratories*

- 9:15 AM** **THAM-D.4**  
A Determination of H-3 Uptake in a Nursing Infant  
*Ribaudo, C., Roberson, M., Ngutter, L.*  
*National Institutes of Health*
- 9:30 AM** **THAM-D.5**  
Planned Revision of ICRP Publication 38  
*Eckerman, K., Endo, A.*  
*Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Japan Atomic Energy Agency*
- 9:45 AM** **BREAK**
- 10:00 AM** **THAM-D.6**  
Design, Fabrication, and Use of a New Anthropometric Calibration Phantom for Direct, In Vivo Measurement of Am-241 Deposited in a Wound  
*Lobaugh, M., Zeman, R., Spitz, H., Glover, S., Hickman, D.*  
*University of Cincinnati*
- 10:15 AM** **THAM-D.7**  
Measurement of the Quantity 'Activity' of Radionuclides in Simulated Human Organs: an International Intercomparison  
*Kramer, G.*  
*Health Canada*
- 10:30 AM** **THAM-D.8**  
UF Series of Hybrid Computational Phantoms Representing ICRP Reference Anatomy and CDC Standardized Anthropometric Data  
*Lee, C., Lodwick, D., Hurtado, J., Pafundi, D., Bolch, W.*  
*University of Florida*
- 10:45 AM** **THAM-D.9**  
An Analysis of the Dependency of Lung Counting Efficiency on Specific Anatomy in Selected Physical and Tomographic Phantoms  
*Mille, M., Zhang, B.Q., Xu, X.G.*  
*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, China Institute for Radiation Protection*
- 11:00 AM** **THAM-D.10**  
VOXMAT: Phantom Model with Combination of Voxel and Mathematical Geometry  
*Akkurt, H., Bekar, K., Eckerman, K.\**  
*Oak Ridge National Laboratory, PSU*
- 11:15 AM** **THAM-D.11**  
Distributions of Actinide Tissue Concentrations and Dose Rates in USTUR Donors  
*Fallahian, N., James, T., Brey, R.*  
*Idaho State University, United States Uranium and Transuranium Registries*
- 11:30 AM** **THAM-D.12**  
In-vitro Experiments on Determination of the Type of Material of the Object Shelter Aerosol  
*Aryasov, P., Nechaev, S., Tsygankov, N., Dmitrienko, A.*  
*Radiation Protection Institute of Ukraine, State Enterprise Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant*

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## **AAHP Courses**

**Saturday, July 12, 2008 - 8 AM-5 PM, Westin Pittsburgh**

### **AAHP1 Radiation Risk Communication – Tools for Helping People Understand Radiation**

**Ray Johnson**

***Dade Moeller & Associates, Radiation Safety Academy Division***

A poll of health physicists during my chapter visits in 1999 showed that the number one concern was about lack of public understanding of radiation. While we have perfected the technical tools for our profession, we have not done as well on developing our skills for helping people understand radiation. Consequently, workers and the public often react to radiation based on myths which they have come to accept. We know most everyone is afraid of radiation, and yet the tools for dealing with radiation fears are not usually part of our training or experience. Such tools are available from psychological and behavioral sciences and they can be adapted to help us become more effective in radiation risk communication.

This class will include the following tools: 1) how to understand the basis of public fears, 2) how anxiety is linked to images of radiation consequences, 3) how to use active listening as a way to hear, identify, and deal with radiation fears, 4) how to respond to radiation questions, 5) how to gain public or worker attention and cooperation, 6) what to say, when you don't know what to say, 7) how to set goals for successful communications, 8) how to understanding your preferred communication style and that of your audience, 9) the significance of social roles – how do you want to be seen, and 10) how to use positioning as a tool for public or worker acceptance. Attendees are invited to bring at least one communication scenario for troubleshooting and application of communi-

cation tools in the class. The class will include time to practice communication tools. Attendees will also receive a copy of the 75 monthly columns on Insights in Communication published in the HPS Newsletter.

### **AAHP2 Key Elements of Preparing Emergency Responders for Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism: An Overview of NCRP Commentary 19**

**Ian Hamilton**

***Baylor College of Medicine***

This course will begin with a brief overview of the history of terrorism and the progression of an act of terror. Discussion of the current threat posture in the context of nuclear and radiological weapons of mass destruction will follow. The introduction will close with a short review of the tenets of NCRP Report No. 138, Management of Terrorist Events Involving Radioactive Material, to include psychological and communication aspects of such an event.

The remainder (and majority) of the course will focus on NCRP Commentary No. 19, Key Elements of Preparing Emergency Responders for Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism. This section will begin with an overview of the recognized need for and development of the commentary. Specific advice of the writing committee to the Department of Homeland Security will then be addressed. Equipment requirements for emergency responders, including radiation detection and personnel protection equipment, will be reviewed in the context of existing and needed materials. Radiation decontamination equipment, and medical supplies needed at the local level, will be explained, as will integration of radiological/medical- and decontamination triage with existing local, medical



response infrastructure. Recommendations for content and frequency of training and exercises at the federal, state and local levels with regard to radiation protection aspects of such events will then be reviewed. All of the foregoing will be explained in-depth by two of the report authors (course instructors). Provision of a technical basis for the support of preparedness activities such as development of responder protocols, equipment procurement recommendations, and the frequency and content of training and exercises will be the focus of course content.

### **AAHP3 Developing & Demonstrating Compliance with DCGLs for Subsurface Soils**

**Jeffrey W. Lively**

**MACTEC Development Corporation**

Students should have some basic knowledge of the application of MARSSIM in order to gain the most value from the class.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and other federal agencies currently approve the Multi-Agency Radiation Site Survey and Investigation Manual (MARSSIM) as guidance for licensees who are conducting final radiological status surveys in support of decommissioning. MARSSIM provides a method to demonstrate compliance with the applicable regulation by comparing residual radioactivity in surface soils with derived concentration guideline levels (DCGLs), but specifically discounts its applicability to subsurface soils.

A new method to derive dose-based subsurface soil DCGLs that embody the overarching concepts and principles found in recent NRC decommissioning guidance (NUREG 1757) has been developed. The subsurface soil method also establishes a rigorous set of criterion-based data evaluation metrics (with

analogous to the MARSSIM methodology) that can be used to demonstrate compliance with the developed subsurface soil DCGLs. The NRC has approved the use of this method at a licensee site currently undergoing decommissioning. The method establishes a continuum of volume factors that relate the size and depth of a volume of subsurface soil having elevated concentrations of residual radioactivity with its ability to produce dose. The method integrates the subsurface soil sampling regime with the derivation of the subsurface soil DCGL such that a self-regulating optimization is naturally sought by both the responsible party and regulator.

The method provides several advantages over the application of surface limits to subsurface soil, particularly for the party or parties funding the remediation.

This course will describe the concepts and bases underlying the new dose-based subsurface soil DCGL method.

## **Professional Enrichment Program**

### **Sunday, July 13 through Wednesday, July 16, 2008**

The Professional Enrichment Program (PEP) provides a continuing education opportunity for those attending the Health Physics Society Annual Meeting. The two hours allotted each course ensure that the subjects can be discussed in greater depth than is possible in the shorter programs offered elsewhere in the meeting.

On Sunday, July 13, a series of 24 courses will be offered between 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

In addition to the above-mentioned sessions for Sunday, five PEP lectures are scheduled on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons from 12:15 - 2:15 pm.

Registration for each two-hour course is \$60 and is limited to 60 attendees on a first-come, first-served basis. Those whose registrations are received before the pre-registration deadline will be sent confirmation of their PEP course registration.

Students with a current ID card will be admitted free of charge to any sessions

which still have space available after the waiting list has been admitted. Student admission will be on a first-come, first-served basis and will only begin 15 minutes after the start of the session to allow for completion of ticket processing.

### **Please Note!!**

Please be on time for your sessions. The lecturer will begin promptly at the scheduled time. Please allow time for check-in. The HPS reserves the right to schedule a substitute speaker or cancel a session in case the scheduled speaker is unavailable.

Attendees not present at the starting time of the session cannot be guaranteed a space, as empty spaces will be filled from the wait list at that time. Spaces left after the wait list has been admitted may be filled with students. If your duties at the meeting cause you to be late for your lecture (e.g., chairing a session), contact the PEP registration desk so that your name can be placed on the waiver list and your space held.

### **SUNDAY - 8:00-10:00 AM**

#### **PEP 1A Medical Health Physics Refresher**

**Mike Charlton**

***The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio***

The dynamic medical health physics setting mandates continual review of current practices. The medical health physics environment has drastically changed over the recent past with new applications, new imaging modalities, and a new regulatory structure. This continual evolution makes it challenging for the practicing medical health physicist to remain abreast of current issues. This session will review recent regulatory changes, highlight commonly observed radiation-producing device deficiencies,

operator doses from portable x-ray imaging, CT imaging dose considerations, and discuss recent medical irradiation security issues. Ideas for improving medical health physics programs focusing on training, example shielding calculations, medical health physics safety surveys, and commonly observed medical health physics issues are provided. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask medical health physics questions and exchange key successes that worked in their environment with the speaker.

Medical Health Physics Refresher:

1. The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio maintains

the only medical health physics graduate program in Texas. This novel program emphasizes the tangible relationship between physicians, medical physicists, and health physicist in the conduct of medicine.

2. This refresher course was developed through lectures given to assist health physics students and radiology residents prepare for national board examinations.

3. Dr. Charlton was awarded the 2006 Teacher of the Year Award in UTH-SCSA Radiology and the first non-clinician to receive the award in more than a decade.

### **PEP 1B Uranium Mining and Milling** **Tom Johnson** **Colorado State University**

Recently the price of uranium has gone up dramatically from approximately \$10 per pound to well over \$100 per pound, causing a resurgence in interest in uranium mining. The purpose of this presentation is to provide an overview of some of the radiation hazards as well as the mining and milling process associated with uranium. In situ leach (ISL) or in situ recovery (ISR) mines are the most common types of uranium mines today, while open pit mines and underground mines are not currently operational in the United States. There are currently four ISR mines operating in Wyoming, Nebraska, and Texas today. ISR mines typically operate at a lower cost because the requirement for milling and extensive processing of the ore upon removal is not required. After the uranium has been removed from open pit or underground mines, it requires milling to remove unwanted minerals and to purify it for use in the nuclear fuel cycle. Milling also results in tailings, which require additional radiological controls and resources. This overview of the "front end" of the fuel cycle will provide health physicists

with the general information needed to begin to understand the radiation hazards associated with mining.

### **PEP 1C How to Conduct Audits and Prepare for Inspections of Industrial X-ray and Radiography Facilities** **Ray Johnson** **Dade Moeller & Associates Radiation Safety Academy Division**

This course will provide a detailed review for auditing all aspects of radiation safety and how to prepare for inspections for facilities either manufacturing or using industrial, analytical, cabinet, and baggage-type x-ray inspection machines and radiography. Topics will include registration, duties of the RSO or designated responsible person, training for x-ray machine operators and radiographers, facilities and equipment, radiation instruments, utilization logs, occupational dosimetry, public dose, safe operating and emergency procedures, handling of exposure devices, conducting surveys, access control, posting and labeling, shielding, security, daily inspections, rate meter alarms, identifying and reporting defects, notifications in event of an accident, and record keeping. An audit outline will be provided along with experience from 15 years of actual audits and inspections, including common program deficiencies and violations.

Inspections show that many facilities do not have a copy of, do not understand, or are not following state regulations. In many facilities the x-ray machine is simply an inspection tool and the operators may have little understanding of the regulatory requirements for use of that tool. While requirements for state registration are met, many facilities do not know about additional state requirements concerning a written radiation safety program, annual audits, principles of ALARA, monitoring of workers, training, use of radiation instruments, surveys,

posting, and record keeping. Many facilities do not have a document called Safe Operating and Emergency Procedures or pertinent training. In fact, inadequate training is probably the basis for most of the radiation safety program deficiencies listed above. For example, many states require that a suitable and functioning radiation meter be available that is calibrated for the energy used. Virtually every audit has shown that available radiation survey instruments are inadequate. Many x-ray machine operators have never heard about energy dependence and thus have instruments that either cannot detect their x-ray signal at all, or may drastically over or under respond. Typically scattered x-rays of concern for worker safety will have energies from 10 to 30 keV and most radiation instruments do very badly at these energies. Many facilities have never conducted an annual audit of their radiation safety program nor have any idea what an annual audit represents

**PEP 1D Training Emergency Responders; Materials, Tools, and Methods for Health Physicists (Session 1)**

**Brooke Buddemeier, Tom Clawson  
Lawrence Livermore National  
Laboratory/Technical Resources  
Group, Inc.**

Research and development for responder needs to an RDD event is currently being funded by the Department of Homeland Security. The course will discuss a summary of some of the discoveries being made and how they impact the needs of the response community. In addition to certifications in the training programs below (3 CDs full movies and training materials), information will be provided on how to interface with emergency responders and national programs that are available to fund and equip local responders.

Excellent training materials exist for training first responders (firefighters, law enforcements, EMTs), but you can't just download all them off the internet. Students who successfully complete all three consecutive PEP sessions will become certified trainers in at least 2 responder training programs. Over 20 hours of "Train the Trainer" coursework has been compressed into a 3 part PEP class designed for the radiation safety professional. The Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training (MERRTT) offers over 16 modules of multimedia rich training material including presentations, student & instructor guides, tests, practical exercises, and regionally available training aids. Additional materials on response to radiological and nuclear terrorism will be provided as well as suggestions on how to work with the responder community.

PEP Session #1 - Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training Program (MERRTT), Train the Trainer session #1

**PEP 1E Irradiated Gemstones**

**Andy Karam**

**Karam Consulting LLC**

Some colored gemstones get their color by being irradiated. If they are reactor- or accelerator-irradiated, they fall under the NRC category of byproduct material, and the companies that produce and import them must be licensed. Since this issue has only recently become a topic of interest, many health physicists are not necessarily knowledgeable in this area. In this PEP, we will discuss the basic science behind gemstone irradiation, the radioactivities that can be produced, and the radiological issues that this processing raises. We will also discuss the practicalities of the jewelry industry to gain a better idea of the daily operations of a large jewelry importer. Finally, we will discuss some

of the regulatory issues that have arisen in the pursuit of radioactive materials licenses.

**PEP 1F Assessor Training, Part I: Techniques for Successful Technical Assessments**

**Steven N. Bakhtiar, Sam Keith, Scott O. Schwahn, Ken Swinth, Linnea Wahl**

**Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Centers for Disease Control, Swinth Associates, US Department of Energy, Idaho**

This course is the first in a three-part series that provides information to individuals interested in performing technical assessments, especially individuals desiring certification as HPS Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP) assessors. The objective of this course is to provide a general introduction to the recommended principles and practices of the process for assessing health physics operations.

The philosophy espoused in this course is that regulatory compliance and conformance form the basis from which a laboratory can improve and optimize its operations. Helping assesseees understand why they must comply is the most important step in helping them determine how to improve their operations.

Elements of this course include an overview of the qualifications and training of assessors and assessment team leaders. The course also presents the four phases of the assessment process, based on the "Plan-Do-Study-Act" model: assessment planning, performance, reporting, and close-out. Techniques will be presented to assist assessors in communicating with the assessment team, the customer, interviewees, and the sponsoring organization. The presentation is general enough to apply to all aspects of radiation protection.

**PEP 1G The Nuclear Renaissance – Licensing Process for New Nuclear Power Plants**

**Jay Maisler**

**Enercon Services, Inc.**

This course is an introduction to the "Nuclear Renaissance." Licenses applications for new nuclear plants have been recently submitted and are under review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission – more are planned for submission. Information on the status of license applications (submitted and expected) and early site permits will be provided. The Combined License Application (COLA) process will be reviewed in detail. The second half of the course will present details on COLA requirements for radioactive waste management, radiation protection, and operational programs. Good things for professional health physicists to know about the COLA process will be discussed throughout the course.

**PEP 1H When HPs Get Gas – What You Should Know About P-10**

**Gary Kephart**

**Bechtel Jacobs Co LLC**

Although routinely used in proportional counters, P-10 gas (10% methane in argon) may be one of those commodities that we as health physicists tend to take for granted. The intent of this PEP is to review the critical industrial hygiene characteristics of P-10 gas and to benefit from the shared experiences of participants who have had to procure, ship, store, and utilize this compressed gas in support of radiological control programs.

After a quick overview of industry consensus standards for compressed gas safety, this PEP will touch on various perspectives important to flammability of P-10, asphyxiation hazards, and dilution ventilation. Focus will be on IH tools and their utility in making and defending the conservative assumptions appropriate to

indoor P-10 applications typical of many radiological control program uses of proportional counters.

**SUNDAY - 10:30 AM-12:30 PM**

**PEP 2A            Health            Physics**  
**Considerations for Production of PET**  
**Radionuclides for Radiopharmaceuti-**  
**cal and Research Uses**

***Roger Moroney***

***Siemens Molecular Imaging***

The use of Positron Emission Tomography, or PET, has expanded rapidly in the last few years, and is projected to continue to increase in volume each year as physicians and patients become more aware of PET's diagnostic capabilities. All PET radionuclide production starts with an accelerator. Most of the accelerators in use for this purpose are small cyclotrons with maximum proton energy of less than 20 MeV. These cyclotrons may be self-shielded or use a bunker. The prompt radiation fields around these cyclotrons include high energy photons and neutrons with the magnitude of the field depending on the radionuclide being produced, the particle type and energy, and the beam current. Secondary radiation fields arise from the desired PET radionuclide produced as well as from activation products. PET radionuclides produce two 511 keV photons per positron, which requires much thicker shielding than for the traditional nuclear medicine radionuclides during production, research and transport in order to manage personnel exposures. Activation products present in the target and surrounding areas create external radiation fields during maintenance activities and must be managed to keep exposures low to personnel maintaining the cyclotron. Production of some radionuclides and radiopharmaceuticals lead to airborne effluents that may

require control and/or monitoring to demonstrate compliance with regulations. Good facility design is critical to ensuring adherence to regulations as well as to improve operational efficiencies that will lead to lower radiation exposures to staff. The combination of these items leads to a dynamic and complex radiological environment that provides a good challenge to today's Health Physicists

**PEP 2B            Instrument            Selection,**  
**Calibration, and Use for Unrestricted**  
**Release**

***Ed Walker***

This presentation shall describe issues that must be considered for the detection and evaluation of residual radiation and radioactive material on surfaces of items, on building and land surfaces, and on personnel prior to unconditional release to the public. The discussion will focus on issues associated with portable radiation detection systems only.

Selection of an appropriate detection system must consider the radiation source emissions, source geometries, and measurement protocol, e.g. scan vs. fixed point measurements. The presentation will include examples of the effects of calibration and check source characteristics when applied to the interpretation of field measurements. These effects include source vs. detector geometries, and the physical characteristics of the fabricated source vs. residual field conditions.

The presentation will also include common field practices that impact the interpretation of field measurements using laboratory calibration conditions.



## **PEP 2C Method to Perform Solubility Determination of Liquid Radioactive Wastes and the Results for 250 Biomedical Research Protocols**

**Jeanne Peterson**  
**Boston University**

Radioactive materials play a significant role in biomedical and life sciences research. This research results in a wide variety of radioactive waste streams, and the common practice is to pour the liquid radioactive wastes down the drain when the concentration is within limits set by the NRC. In 2007, a study was undertaken at Boston University in response to NRC Information Notice 94-07 concerning the solubility of these liquid radioactive wastes discharged into sanitary sewerage. A total of 250 protocols that involve sewer discharge of liquid radioactive waste were reviewed in detail. The method used to perform solubility reviews will be presented. Attendees will be provided with the results of the study which should be applicable to any institution using similar research protocols.

## **PEP 2D Training Emergency Responders; Materials, Tools, and Methods for Health Physicists (Session 2)**

**Brooke Buddemeier, Tom Clawson**  
**Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory/Technical Resources Group, Inc.**

See PEP 1D for description.

PEP Session #2 - Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training Program (MER-RTT), Train the Trainer session #2 and Trainer Certification Test

## **PEP 2E Supernovae and Life on Earth (or wherever)**

**Andy Karam**  
**Karam Consulting LLC**

Supernovae release a tremendous amount of energy and are among the

brightest phenomena in the universe. In fact, we can see supernovae to a distance of billions of light years. It is only natural to wonder if such powerful events can have an impact on terrestrial life and, in fact, many have speculated that supernovae may have actually caused mass extinctions on Earth. In addition, many scientists (and science fiction authors) have speculated that life may travel between planets and between stars on the insides of meteors or comets, subject to constraints posed by cosmic radiation. In this PEP we will discuss the science of supernovae and the impact that they can have on the local and galactic neighborhood. From this, we will find out why it is unlikely that supernova radiation has ever killed life on Earth, but how they could still be implicated in mass extinction events - and what we should see in the fossil record if this has happened. Finally, we will discuss the impact of supernovae on the interplanetary or interstellar transport of microbes, and what this may portend for the concept of panspermia

## **PEP 2F Assessor Training, Part II: The Assessor's Role in Technical Assessments**

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**Hanford**

This course is the second in a three-part series that provides information to individuals interested in performing technical assessments, especially individuals desiring certification as HPS Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP) assessors. The objective of this course is to provide an in-depth understanding of the role and responsibilities of an assessor who must prepare, conduct, and conclude the technical audit of health physics activities and quality systems.



The principles and practices of technical auditing can be applied equally to a laboratory accreditation process or to a radiation protection program. In all situations, the overall goal is to identify those processes that are performed well and those for which there are opportunities for improvement.

This course will review and explain in detail the extent and limits of the duties, responsibilities, and authorities of the assessor. Participants will learn how to plan the audit, conduct the opening meeting, perform interviews, carry out the audit, conduct the closing meeting, prepare the assessment report, complete follow-up activities, and close the assessment. Discussion will emphasize the importance of these elements in any assessment process and the key role they play in successfully verifying competency and providing feedback on opportunities for improvement.

**PEP 2G New Developments in  
Uncertainty Estimation: GUM  
Supplement 1**  
**Carl Gogolak**  
**Consultant**

The ISO/GUM has become the de facto standard for evaluating measurement uncertainty. This course will briefly review the GUM methodology, and then will discuss some new developments introduced in the draft document "Evaluation of measurement data — Supplement 1 to the GUM — Propagation of distributions using a Monte Carlo Method." This supplement also introduces a Bayesian framework for evaluating measurement uncertainty. The procedures involved will be described, along with some examples and suggestions for software implementation. The GUM uses the law of propagation of uncertainty to provide the combined standard uncertainty of a measurement result. This is based on an approx-

imation. It uses only the best estimate of the mean and standard uncertainty of each input quantity even though a distribution for the input quantities, using professional judgment, is specified a part of a Type B uncertainty evaluation. The result of the GUM evaluation is often expressed as an expanded uncertainty defining a coverage interval around the measurement result associated with an estimated probability that the true value lies within that interval. This probability is really like a Bayesian degree of belief. Thus, there is a certain inconsistency in the GUM between classical and Bayesian viewpoints, both in Type B evaluations and in the interpretation of coverage intervals. The GUM Supplement 1 addresses some of the issues mentioned above. Using Monte Carlo, a distribution of measurement outcomes can be simulated. Coverage probabilities can be calculated without the assumption of a normal or student's *t* distribution for the result. The approximation in the law of propagation of uncertainty is also avoided. The supplement provides a new Bayesian approach to interpretation of expanded uncertainties, and contains guidance for making uncertainty estimates using this approach. This Bayesian approach is central to ISO guidance on the determination of detection limits for measurements of ionizing radiation, which will be discussed in a companion PEP course at this meeting.

**PEP 2H Training First Responders  
on Radiological Dispersal Devices  
(RDDs) and Improvised Nuclear  
Devices (INDs) Events**  
**Kenneth Groves**  
**S2-Sevorg Services, LLC**

This course will present an overview of the current training the author is presenting to First Responders (firefighters, emergency medical technicians, law enforcement and others) who may

encounter either a Radiological Dispersal Device (RDD or Dirty Bomb) or an Improvised Nuclear Device (IND) as a part of their Emergency Response activities. The emphasis of the training is putting the radiological/nuclear material in perspective as compared with other Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) materials such as chemical and/or biological weapon agents. A goal of the training is to help this First Responder Community understand that under almost all conditions, they can perform their primary mission of “putting out fires, rescuing and treating injured persons, and chasing bad guys” even in the presence of relatively large amounts of radiological/nuclear contamination. The rare cases of high activity unshielded sources will be reviewed and explained. Current National/International guidance on dose “limits” will be discussed.

A discussion of the use of Time, Distance and Shielding as well as appropriate Personal Protective Clothing and how it will provide the needed protection while immediate actions take place early in an RDD/IND event, will be reviewed. The use of appropriate radiation detection instrumentation, documented Standard Operating Procedures along with realistic training, drills and exercises are the key to a successful response to an RDD/IND event for this community of critical emergency responders.

**SUNDAY - 2:00-4:00 PM**

### **PEP 3A Performing Occupational Internal Dose Calculations with Freely Available Computer Codes**

**Tom LaBone**

**MJW Corporation**

Starting about twenty years ago we could do a wide variety of ICRP-30 based internal dosimetry calculations using the intake retention fractions from NUREG-

4884 and the intake-to-dose conversion factors from Federal Guidance Report Number 11. Both documents were (and still are) freely available. All that was needed to evaluate bioassay data and assign a dose was the two documents, a hand calculator, and a bit of knowledge.

So, one might ask what kind of similar (freely available) tools are available today to do ICRP-68 based internal dose calculations? In this PEP I intend to answer that question by reviewing how to use the Radiological Toolbox, DCAL, your favorite spreadsheet, and a bit of knowledge to evaluate bioassay data and assign internal doses using the newer models. The Radiological Toolbox and DCAL can be downloaded at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/research/radiological-toolbox.html>, <http://www.epa.gov/rpdweb00/assessment/dcal.html>

Another tool we will find useful is PopTools, an MS Excel add-in that enables us to easily interpolate tables of data with Excel, which is available at <http://www.cse.csiro.au/poptools/>

Basic internal dosimetry information is concisely presented in IAEA Safety Report Number 37, a highly recommended report which available at [http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/Pub1190/Pub1190\\_web.pdf](http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/Pub1190/Pub1190_web.pdf)

Although this is not a “hands on” course, students are encouraged to download and install these programs and review the manuals before coming to the course so that they can follow along if they wish.

### **PEP 3B Measuring and Displaying Radiation Protection Program Metrics That Matter (to Management)**

**Bob Emery**

**The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston**

Radiation protection programs typically accumulate data and documenta-

tion so that regulatory officials can assess compliance with established regulations. The implicit logic associated with this activity is that compliance equates to an acceptable level of safety. But in this era of constricted resources, mere regulatory compliance is no longer sufficient to justify all necessary programmatic resources. Radiation protection programs are now expected to readily demonstrate how they add tangible value to the core missions of an organization. The demonstration of this value is expected to be in the form of some sort of performance metrics, but this is an area in which many radiation safety professionals have not been trained. The issue is further compounded by the need to display the metric information in manners that are succinct and compelling, yet another area where formal training is often lacking. This session will first describe a variety of possible radiation protection program performance measures and metrics, and then will focus on the display of the information in ways that clearly convey the intended message. Actual before and after data display “make-overs” will be presented, and ample time will be provided for questions, answers, and discussion.

**PEP 3C    Radiation Response and First Responder Standards**

**Tom O’Connell, Gordon Diotalevi**  
**HPS            Homeland            Security**  
**Committee/Hazardous            Materials,**  
**Counter-Terrorism Training Group**

The PEP will examine and discuss the potential impacts on subject matter experts of the most recent response standards from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). These standards contain information specific to responses to hazardous materials incidents and WMD events involving radiation. Understanding the content of the

standards and the potential training impacts on subject matter experts and emergency responders will enable a radiation safety professional to effectively integrate into the local response organization.

**PEP 3D            Training            Emergency Responders; Materials, Tools, and Methods for Health Physicists (Session 3)**

**Brooke Buddemeier, Tom Clawson**  
**Lawrence            Livermore            National**  
**Laboratory/Technical            Resources**  
**Group, Inc.**

See PEP 1D for description.

PEP Session #3 - Additional modules on radiological and nuclear terrorism response from Homeland Defense Equipment Reuse (HDER). Current guides, recommendations, and standards for radiological emergency response. Engaging and interfacing with the responder community

**PEP 3E            EPA            Protective Action Guides Manual: A Refresher and the Revision**

**Sara DeCair, Ed Tupin**  
**Center for Radiological Emergency Management            US            Environmental Protection Agency**

As health physicists, we will be called upon during radiological emergencies to provide the expertise needed to support decision makers, answer media questions and, generally, keep the public safe. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Manual of Protective Action Guides and Protective Actions for Nuclear Incidents, referred to as the PAG Manual, is a tool that we can use to support decision makers at the Federal, state, tribal and local levels during radiological incidents.

This two-hour course will provide a refresher on how the PAG Manual is used and how incident-specific numeric

values can be found in the Manual or calculated independently. Additionally, the course will provide in-depth information on the draft revision of the PAG Manual, which will provide several key updates and additions to the existing guidance.

The draft revision clarifies the use of the existing 1992 protective action guides and protective actions for incidents other than nuclear power plant accidents. It lowers the projected thyroid dose for administration of stable iodine based on data from the Chernobyl accident. It provides new guidance concerning consumption of drinking water during or after a radiological emergency. It also updates the dosimetry basis from ICRP 26 to ICRP 60 for all tables of derived levels. Finally, the draft revision includes new guidance for dealing with long-term site restoration following a major radiological release. This is based on the Department of Homeland Security guidance on implementing PAGs after a radiological dispersal device (RDD) or improvised nuclear device (IND), which was developed by a multi-agency working group that included EPA. The guidance acknowledges that for the broad range of potential impacts from radiation incidents, no single numeric cleanup level can be recommended. Instead, it provides a framework to follow to ensure key stakeholders are involved in a cleanup decision-making process that carefully weighs all relevant factors.

This course is designed for users and implementers of the PAG Manual. Attendees will receive a copy of the draft revision for review and comment.

**PEP 3F Assessor Training, Part III-  
Practical Technical Assessment  
CANCELLED**

**PEP 3G Determination of Detection  
Limits for Measurements of Ionizing  
Radiation**

**Carl Gogolak  
Consultant**

The subject of this course will be ISO 11929 on detection limits for ionizing radiation measurements and examples for specific applications. ISO 11929 was formerly divided into 8 parts depending on the application. The earliest of these were based on classical statistics, but later ones used a Bayesian approach. The new draft version of ISO 11929 "Determination of characteristic limits (decision threshold, detection limit, and limits of a coverage interval) for measurements of ionizing radiation: Fundamentals and Applications" is based on Bayesian statistics and the Bayesian theory of measurement uncertainty. The method and applications have been unified into one consistent document. The term characteristic limits refer to three familiar concepts in radiation detection. The decision threshold corresponds to a critical level for detection, the detection limit corresponds to a minimum detectable quantity, and the limits of a coverage interval are as described in the GUM. These can be calculated taking into account all sources of uncertainty. Measurement uncertainty and detection capability are strongly linked. The new ISO 11929 approach starts with a complete evaluation of measurement uncertainty according to the GUM. This is followed by the determination of the characteristic limits using the standard uncertainty obtained. Bayesian statistics allows a consistent foundation of the GUM for both type A and type B uncertainties. This is in contrast to classical (frequentist) statistics that generally do not apply to type B uncertainties, which often rely on professional judgment.

### **PEP 3H The Spectrum of Radiation Protection Actions: From Institutional to Individual**

**Dan Strom**

***Pacific Northwest National Laboratory***

Radiation protection includes phrases as diverse as “Duck and cover,” “The licensee must ensure...”, and “Signatories to the Treaty shall...”. Recommendations and commandments in radiation protection are aimed at different actors, from the individual to the work group to the employer’s staff and management to the regulator to the legislator to the diplomat. Radiation protection recommendations from the International Commission for Radiological Protection (ICRP) or the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement (NCRP) focus primarily on institutional actions. Government and institutional actions include treaties and laws regulating production, transport, use, and disposal of radiation sources; laws creating regulatory agencies; increasingly detailed regulations, guidance, and supporting documents; regulation of workplaces in which radiation is unlicensed; professional guidance for those using radiation in the healing arts; rules and recommendations for the nuclear and radiological battlefield; rules and recommendations for emergency response actions on the parts of institutions and individuals; and recommendations for managing indoor radon and voluntary medical procedures. This presentation presents discussions of who is empowered to protect, how they are empowered, and what they need to know to carry out protection. Many individual actions are rarely covered in academic health physics books and programs: what an individual should do in case of a nuclear or radiological attack, unannounced radiological releases (e.g., the Chernobyl accident or a stealthy radionuclide dispersion), or encounters with radioactive contamination that is not regulated. Case studies are provided from Chernobyl, pre-regulatory radium use in the USA,

20th century civil defense, and radiological dispersion from both individual and occupational perspectives. Options for all actors are evaluated in the framework of the “Ten Principles and Ten Commandments of Radiation Protection” (<http://qecc.pnl.gov/10Prin.pdf>).

**MONDAY - 12:15-2:15 PM**

### **PEP M1 Low-Level Radioactive Waste Minimization at an Academic Institution**

**Mike Zittle**

***Oregon State University***

Management of low-level radioactive and mixed waste at academic and medical institutions is challenging due to the small quantities and wide variety of wastes generated. These organizations are often non-profit or government funded and it is important to keep costs down while maintaining regulatory compliance. Although often perceived as difficult, it is possible to be in compliance with all Federal and Agreement State NRC and EPA regulations without going over budget.

This PEP focuses on techniques to minimize generation of radioactive and mixed waste and will also discuss waste processing services available to reduce the volume of waste for disposal. Emphasis will be placed on the three R’s: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. This course presents waste management strategies for various waste streams including sanitary sewer disposal, decay-in-storage, bench top treatment of wastes, and the EPA mixed waste conditional exemptions. This course also emphasizes the importance of utilizing process knowledge, accurate sample analysis, and quality assurance to efficiently manage radioactive and mixed waste. Creative ideas will be presented that allow waste managers at academic



and medical institutions to effectively raise awareness and train waste generators while also reducing the volume and cost of radioactive and mixed waste disposal.

### **PEP M2 Basic Statistics**

**Steve Prevette**

**Fluor Hanford**

This session will cover basic statistics for Health Physics. How to use the statistical formulae covered in the American Board of Health Physics examination will be provided. Hands-on physical demonstrations will be used to demonstrate statistical calculations such as mean, standard deviation, variance, and sampling. Counting statistics, the Poisson distribution, and release survey false alarm and failure to detect rates will be included. A basic introduction to the principles behind Bayesian statistical calculations will be performed using an ordinary set of playing cards. If you have questions about statistics and their usage, this session will be of help to you.

### **PEP M3 Fundamentals of Neutron Detection and Detection Systems for Assay of Nuclear Material**

**Jeff Chapman**

**Canberra**

In 1932, James Chadwick published a seminal paper in the Proc. Roy. Society titled "The Existence of a Neutron." 73 years later we rely on a number of detection processes to provide neutron dosimetry for personnel, to confirm operational shielding design requirements, and to measure special nuclear materials (SNM). This PEP session will focus on the fundamentals of neutron detection and an overview of devices used to detect SNM. The following topics will be covered: fast neutron detectors; thermal neutron detectors; neutron moderation and absorption; passive neutron counting with SNAP detectors; passive neutron

coincidence and multiplicity counting; active neutron interrogation; and portal monitors.

### **PEP M4 Basic Principles of Environmental Control by Ventilation**

**Herman Cember**

**Purdue University**

This course will present an overview of the basic principles of ventilation for the purpose of environmental control of airborne toxicants. The introductory material will include a review of the properties of air, air-vapor mixtures, and aerosols. We will discuss units of measurement of airborne contaminants, permissible exposure limits (PEL's), toxicity vs. hazard, and explosive levels. The information will be applied to the calculation of airflow requirements for dilution ventilation for control of toxicants and flammable vapors. We then will address contaminant control at the source by local exhaust ventilation. Our discussion will include the major components of a local exhaust system, and the important design parameters for each component.

### **PEP M5 Operational Accelerator Health Physics I**

**Scott Walker, Robert May**

**Los Alamos National Laboratory/**

**Thomas Jefferson National**

**Accelerator Facility**

The Operational Accelerator Health Physics I class covers an overview of medium and high energy accelerators, Electron accelerators configuration, Electron Accelerator radiation production, electron accelerator shielding, electron accelerator radioactive material production, and Electron accelerator environmental impacts. The class then begins to focus on proton accelerator configuration, proton accelerator radiation production, accelerator produced isotopes, accelerator interlock systems, general health physics practices at accel-

erators, general accelerator health physics rules of thumb, high energy radiation physics for the health physicist, and useful references.

**TUESDAY - 12:15-2:15 PM**

## **PEP T1 How to Conduct News Media Interviews**

***Ray Johnson, Kelly Classic***

***Dade Moeller & Associates, Radiation Safety Academy Division/Mayo Clinic***

Radiation incidents, no matter how small, may attract news interest because “radiation” is always a topic of “concern” to the public. When conducting an interview, in whatever role you play, you will more likely be heard if you focus on “public concerns” or fears. The news media will not likely let you avoid issues of public concerns anyway. Feelings and fears are what make radiation stories newsworthy. You should make every effort to respond to perceptions of risk to show that you are aware of the feelings and fears and to show that you care. To the extent that you are able to identify with the feelings, conflicts, and values of the public, you will be viewed as a competent and credible source of information. When you speak in the language of the public’s concerns, you have a better chance to effectively communicate a reasonable perspective. In this session we will elaborate on the following guides to news media interviews: 1) establish your goals in advance, 2) determine your five most important messages, 3) determine what the reporter wants, 4) identify the issues, conflicts, values, and stakeholders, 5) list the five worst things the reporter could bring up, 6) practice your responses with a friend, 7) show that you care, 8) hear and reflect feelings and values, 9) respond to feelings before criticizing logic or solving problems, 10) demonstrate your competence, 11) give short crisp

answers in the language of the audience, 12) frame your responses in partnership with the audience, 13) position for your most favorable social role, 14) put energy and feeling into your responses, 15) listen attentively, but do not nod your head unless you agree with the reporter, 16) pause before answering, 17) use natural gestures and be warm and friendly, as if you were talking with a friend, 18) decide to be NON-defensive, and 19) for TV, provide options for action coverage. Remember there is an audience behind the camera that the reporter is playing to and you can do the same.

## **PEP T2 Recent Developments in Radiation Litigation**

***Doug Poland***

***Godfrey & Kahn, S.C.***

This class will cover two general topics. First, it will provide an overview of the U.S. legal system and a description of the issues that typically arise in lawsuits involving allegations of personal injuries or property damage caused by ionizing radiation. The issues that will be covered include the structure of the court systems in which radiation-related legal claims typically are brought; the types of legal claims that are most often alleged and what is required to prove those claims; legal standards for determining whether any particular exposure was the cause of a particular injury; a litigant’s obligations regarding the creation and retention of data and documents in the litigation context; differences in the standards of conduct that apply to contractors and licensees under state and federal law (through the Price-Anderson Act); and exposure-based claims such as medical monitoring and emotional distress. Second, with that framework in mind, the class will discuss recent judicial opinions and rulings in lawsuits involving allegations of physical injury or property damage caused by radiation exposure or environmental releases.



## **PEP T3 Radiological Performance Measures**

**Steve Prevette**

**Fluor Hanford**

This session will provide ideas on deciding what to measure, how to analyze the resulting numbers, and how to make decisions from the results. Suggested Leading and Lagging performance indicators will be discussed, and case studies provided. Analysis will focus upon the use of Statistical Process Control for trending, and Pareto Charting for categorization of causes and events. Techniques in use at the Hanford Washington Department of Energy site will be overviewed. If you are involved with, or have been a victim of performance measures, this session will help you succeed with your measures.

## **PEP T4 Neutrons- A Primer**

**Jeff Chapman**

**Canberra**

As a result of several comments received during the last few years of PEP sessions on neutrons, we have decided to offer a primer on neutrons. This PEP will be very introductory in nature, for the HP who simply has not had the opportunity to work in operations involving neutrons. This Primer will identify all source terms for neutrons, common methods of detection, as well as radiation protection regulations, detector calibration, and dosimetry.

## **PEP T5 Operational Accelerator Health Physics II**

**Scott Walker**

**Los Alamos National Laboratory**

Operational Accelerator Health Physics II focuses on specific medium and high energy accelerator related design, control and health physics problems. The topics include: Spallation targets, handling high dose rate targets, beam dump design, isotope production, cooling water systems, shutters, radia-

tion detection instrumentation, personnel dosimetry, high dose dosimetry (measuring radiation damage to equipment), high energy neutron spectroscopy, skyshine, releases of airborne radionuclides accelerator related electrical hazards, and the accelerator health physics program.

**WEDNESDAY - 12:15-2:15 PM**

## **PEP W1 Overview of Interactive Radioepidemiological Program (IREP)**

**David Kocher**

**SENES Oak Ridge, Inc.**

The Interactive RadioEpidemiological Program (IREP) is a web-based, interactive computer program to estimate the probability that a given cancer in an individual was induced by given exposures to ionizing radiation. This probability is referred to as "probability of causation/assigned share" (PC/AS). IREP is used to estimate PC/AS in compensation programs for energy workers and military participants at atmospheric nuclear-weapons tests. IREP calculates PC/AS for all cancer types except chronic lymphocytic leukemia. PC/AS for a given cancer in an individual is calculated from an estimate of the excess relative risk (ERR) associated with given radiation exposures and the relationship  $PC/AS = ERR/(ERR + 1)$ . IREP is intended to provide unbiased estimates of ERR and PC/AS and their uncertainties to represent the current state of knowledge. A full accounting of uncertainty is necessary when decisions about granting claims for compensation for cancer are made on the basis of an estimate of the upper 99% credibility limit of PC/AS to given claimants the "benefit of the doubt" in the presence of uncertainty. This lecture presents an overview of models and methods incorporated in

IREP to estimate probability distributions of ERR and PC/AS including (1) models to estimate ERRs for specific cancer types in study populations, principally the Japanese atomic-bomb survivors, as a function of sex, age at exposure, and attained age or time since exposure, (2) corrections to ERRs in study populations to account for random and systematic errors in dosimetry, (3) adjustments to ERRs at times shortly after exposure to account for a minimum latency period of specific types of cancer, and (4) adjustments to apply ERRs in atomic-bomb survivors to the U.S. population and to conditions of exposure other than acute exposure to low-LET radiations at relatively high doses. Approaches to accounting for uncertainty in the models are emphasized. Limitations of IREP are discussed, and modifications that may be incorporated in future versions of the program are mentioned. [\*The findings and conclusions in this Abstract have not been formally disseminated by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and should not be construed to represent any agency determination or policy. This work is supported by NIOSH under Contract No. 200-2006-18097.]

## **PEP W2 Implications for Security Based Uses of Radiation**

***Rick Whitman***

### ***US Customs and Border Protection***

Beginning before 2001, some radiation uses including detectors, gamma and x-ray machines, were used to look for contraband. Since 2001, and the development of the homeland security concept, the numbers and types of systems has grown to include a variety of detectors as well as non-intrusive inspection systems, including detectors, x-ray, gamma and accelerator based systems for both indoor and outdoor environ-

ments. The challenge for the radiation professional is to ensure that these systems are used in such a way so as to minimize potential exposure to employees. The concern over how to classify employees using security based systems – while not traditional radiation workers, and they really are not members of the general public either – and where this topic may be heading in the future will be explored. The target audience for this program will be those overseeing or advising security staff members or those who want to know more about the category of non-intrusive inspection systems.

## **PEP W3 Laser Safety for Health Physicists**

***Ben Edwards***

### ***Duke University Medical Center***

This course provides an overview of laser physics, biological effects, and hazards, as well as concise distillation of the requirements in the ANSI Z136.1-2007 Standard for the Safe Use of Lasers. Course attendees will learn practical laser safety principles to assist in developing and conducting laser safety training, performing safety evaluations, completing hazard calculations, and effectively managing an institutional laser safety program. While some knowledge of laser hazards will be helpful, both experienced and novice health physicists with laser safety responsibilities will benefit from this course. Participants should bring a scientific calculator to allow a “walk through” of example pre-worked hazard calculations. Students will also find their own copy of ANSI Z136.1-2007 a helpful reference.

## **PEP W4 How to Prepare for News Media Interviews**

***Ray Johnson, Kelly Classic***

### ***Dade Moeller & Associates, Radiation Safety Academy Division/Mayo Clinic***

Many HPs dread the possibility of a news media interview. The occasion for

such interviews may be an emergency where stress, conflicts, and fears are involved. In the urgency of the situation you may have little time to prepare for an interview, you may not have all the facts, and your attention may be needed to respond to the emergency. Despite the competing pressures and demands, you still want to present a favorable image of yourself and your organization. Most HPs will want to demonstrate their technical competence and control of the issues. However, a general audience may judge your competence mostly (90%) on how you present yourself, in terms of voice tone, mannerisms, and body language, and only 10% on what you have to say. The first step in preparing is to determine your interview goals. We will work with you to increase your ability to quickly prepare five key messages that you want to include in your interview; these are your focal points. We will also review what reporters want. They are not usually subject matter experts, however, they want their story to be as factual and accurate as possible. They may seek experts on the current event to obtain the best information possible. For video news they also want action at the scene of the event and you may be interviewed as the on-scene authority. They may not try to verify the truth. Remember journalism builds on conflict; conflict among people, organizations, policies, and actions are things reporters can understand. Reporters want to identify conflicting claims, cover the opposing views, give each side their chance, and accurately report what is said. The news is also oriented towards public perceptions of radiation. Do your best to identify the conflicts, issues, and values of concern to the public as you assess the event and prior to your interview. Be especially aware of negative perceptions the audience may hold of your organization or your activity.

Develop a list of the worst things that a reporter could throw at you, such as critical or negative comments, and practice your responses with a friend. Be prepared to present your mission statement as a sound bite.

## **PEP W5      Review      of      IATA Requirements for Air Transportation of Radioactive Material**

**Sean Austin**

***Dade Moeller and Associates/  
Radiation Safety Academy***

This session will review requirements of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) pertaining to the air transportation of radioactive materials. There have been changes to these requirements pertaining to the preparation of radioactive materials for shipment in excepted packages. We will review IATA requirements for training of HAZMAT employees, classification of hazardous materials, exemptions, normal form and special form radioactive materials, limited quantities of materials, articles and instruments containing a radioactive component, low-specific activity shipments (LSA-I, LSA-II, LSA-III), and surface contaminated objects (SCO-I and SCO-II). We will review requirements for radioactive material packagings, marking and labeling packages, placarding vehicles, and completion of shipping papers. There will be discussion explaining the differences between IATA requirements and the hazardous materials regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

## Continuing Education Lectures

Monday, July 9 through Thursday, July 12 - 7:00-8:00 AM

*Included in Registration Fee*

### MONDAY - 7:00-8:00 AM

#### **CEL1 After Katrina – Applying Health Physics Controls to Accomplish Restoration and Cleaning of Military Personal Property in the Gulf Coast Region**

**Jim Hylko**

***Paducah Remediation Services, LLC***

Numerous transportation service providers (TSPs) along the Gulf Coast region that store personal property and household belongings for U.S. military personnel and their families were affected by Hurricane Katrina. The purpose of this project was to provide expert services to evaluate, clean, dry, and restore approximately 680,000 kg (1,500,000 pounds) of personal property being stored at nine separate TSP facilities located in Mobile, Alabama; Biloxi, Mississippi; Gulfport, Mississippi; and New Orleans, Louisiana. The uncertainties associated with working in an area devastated by a Category 5 hurricane prompted the implementation of a "Safety 101 - Back to Basic Principles" training program. Prior to actual field mobilization, employees were provided a description of the expected working conditions, local infrastructure, and supplies required to complete the defined scope of work. The primary exposure hazard to the field crews was expected to be mold. Applicable engineering, administrative, and personal protective equipment controls established for hazardous chemicals and radioactive materials were used to prevent employee exposure when handling suspect items "contaminated" with mold. Project documentation and procedures were developed to enhance field safety, address unanticipated conditions, and emergency preparedness prior to arriving at the particular work

locations. Assembly-style cleaning stations were used to clean, process, and store salvageable items. The successful completion of this national disaster response effort was quantified by zero injuries, zero accidents, and zero allergic signs or symptoms while completing all contractual requirements.

#### **CEL2 Effectively Managing the "Under-Exposed"**

**Bob Emery**

***The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston***

Consider this: of all the personnel monitoring you have ever performed in your career, how many results exceeded the regulatory or recommended exposure limit? Based on the responses to this question from literally hundreds of safety professionals from across the country, the consensus answer appears to be in the range of 2 to 5%. This anecdotal feedback suggests that 95 to 98% of the individuals monitored may have received some amount of exposure, but at levels below any recommended limit. So while this implies that most of the exposure situations we monitor are not in excess of any accepted limits, experience tells us that a subpopulation of these individuals can still harbor concerns and apprehensions their exposures. If such concerns are mismanaged or ignored, the situation can result in huge losses in terms of decreased productivity, frivolous complaints, regulatory inspections, and possible lawsuits. Hence, the proper management of the "under-exposed"<sup>1</sup> is an essential health and safety job function, yet these skills are rarely addressed in our academic preparation. In this presentation, the variables associated with typical "under-exposed" situations will be discussed,

and then the recognized tenets of effective risk communications will be applied to describe ways in which the situations might be managed so that worker concerns can be addressed and impacts on productivity are kept to a minimum. Ample time will be provided for participant questions, comments, and discussion.

<sup>1</sup> the term “under-exposed” is really a misnomer, in that individuals may actually be receiving some level of exposure, but at level below any recommended or established level. The term is used here to emphasize the notion that the exposure situations being addressed in this presentation are those below any existing standard or recognized guideline.

**TUESDAY - 7:00-8:00 AM**

**CEL3 Spend a Little, Save a Lot!  
How Lightning Strike Detection  
Technology Supports Company and  
Community Activities**

***James M. Hylko***

***Paducah Remediation Services, LLC***

The weather is the most significant and unmanageable variable when performing outdoor environmental remediation activities. This variable can contribute to the failure of a project in two ways: 1) severe injury to an employee or employees following a cloud-to-ground lightning strike without prior visual or audible warnings; and 2) excessive “down time” associated with mobilization and demobilization activities after a false alarm (e.g., lightning was seen in the distance but was actually moving away from the site). Therefore, in order for a project to be successful from both safety and financial viewpoints, the uncertainties associated with inclement weather, specifically lightning, need to be understood to eliminate the element of surprise. This CEL discusses educational infor-

mation related to the history and research of lightning, how lightning storms develop, types of lightning, the mechanisms of lightning injuries and fatalities, and follow-up medical treatment. Fortunately, lightning storm monitoring does not have to be either costly or elaborate. An electronic lightning detection system would monitor and alarm field personnel in the event of an approaching lightning storm. This application justified the purchase of a hand-held model used by the Heath Youth Athletic Association (HYAA) which is a non-profit, charitable organization offering sports programs for the youth and young adults in the local Paducah, Kentucky community. Fortunately, a lightning injury or fatality has never occurred at this particular work location or an HYAA-sponsored event. Continued use of these fixed and hand-held systems should prevent such injuries from occurring in the foreseeable future.

**CEL4 The Life Cycle of a Trend  
*Steve Prevette*  
*Fluor Hanford, Inc.***

This session will overview how to make use of performance data in a trending program. The aim of the session is to show how to achieve performance improvements from your radiological performance measures. The use of Statistical Process Control (SPC) for statistical trending will be overviewed. The session will also demonstrate developing baselines and predictions, trend detection, and monitoring for return to stability following a trend. This information will be integrated with the Plan Do Study Act improvement cycle, and goal-setting. Using the information from this session, you should be able to take a new look at your radiological data, and gain maximum use from it for performance improvement.



**CEL5     Uncertainty Assessment in Atmospheric Dispersion Computations****Erno Sajo****Louisiana State University**

Atmospheric dispersion models based on elementary statistical theory (such as the Gaussian plume model) compute time-averaged concentrations at fixed points downwind. It is well-known that model predictions entail uncertainties. Most often, this is expressed in terms of "factor of validity," but it may also be shown as a spatial uncertainty interval about the location of the computed mean. Most of the computer models, however, including all widely used NRC and EPA regulatory models, do not incorporate any type of uncertainty handling, and in most cases they do not warn the user of the fluctuations in the predicted values of dose or local concentration. In 40 CFR 51 EPA recognizes the importance of estimating the prediction uncertainties, and it makes it the modeler's responsibility to advise the decision maker of this fact, and to provide an assessment of these uncertainties, both in space and in magnitude, and their impact on the evaluation of hazard zones. Because EPA does not give guidance on specific methods of implementation, and because most regulatory, emergency, and release reconstruction models do not sanction any uncertainty handling, it is a serious challenge to meet the spirit of the regulations. This lecture reviews the fundamentals of uncertainty estimation in dispersion modeling, and gives practical methods of assessment even when the computer model does not provide this information explicitly.

**CEL6     Looking at the Big Picture****Andy Karam****Karam Consulting LLC**

As health physicists, we specialize in radiation safety, and most of our efforts are aimed at reducing radiological risks. What we sometimes forget is that radiation is only one of the risks we face on a regular basis - and it is not always the most serious risk. While we are professionally and legally obligated to follow the philosophy of ALARA, we must also try to keep a more global perspective on risk reduction. When we see, for example, parents choosing exploratory surgery for their children instead of a CT scan - because of their fears of radiation - we must realize that there is more to risk reduction than simply reducing radiation dose to the lowest level possible. In this CEL, we will discuss some of these matters - in particular, how we can try to fit our obligations as health physicists in with our obligations to our society, and how we might pursue a more comprehensive philosophy of ALARA that encompasses risks other than the strictly radiological.

**THURSDAY - 7:00-8:00 AM****CEL7     Pu-238 Source Leak Event: Internal Dosimetry Considerations****Rob Jones****Pacific Northwest National Laboratory**

In June, 2007, a Pu238 source was discovered to be "leaking," causing contamination spread in two buildings and staff member's cars and personal residences. Contamination spread was also possible in public areas. Internal dosimetry considerations for immediate staff, ancillary staff, and members of the public as a result of the leaking source will be discussed.

**CEL8    The Most Powerful Tool for  
Effective Risk Communication -  
Active Listening**

**Ray Johnson**

***Dade Moeller & Associates Radiation  
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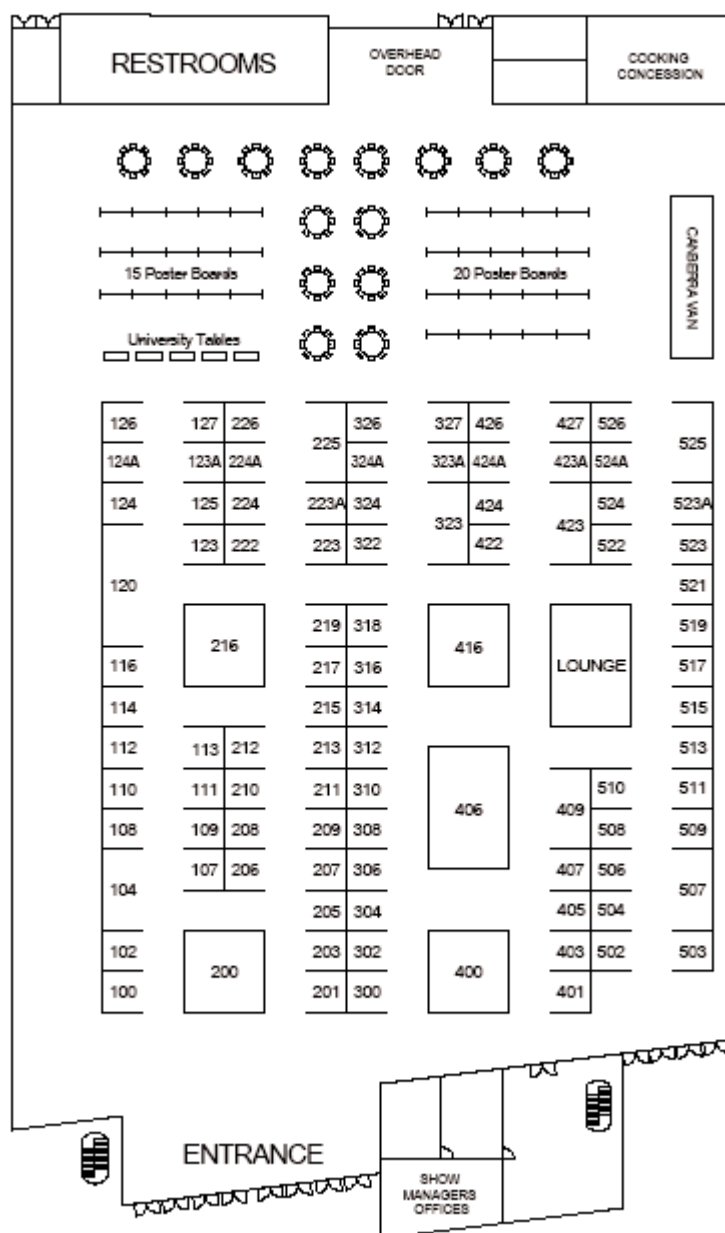
Perhaps our greatest challenge when talking with people about radiation risks is when the dialogue gets emotional. We may find ourselves not knowing what to do when our best technical data and logical analyses are not accepted by those who are afraid of radiation. What can we do when confronted with hypothetical questions which do not seem to have clear rational answers? How can we respond when our best answers seem to be causing the other person to become more and more upset? Suppose we do not have the data from which to give a good technical answer? Is there any hope?

The effectiveness of any communication is not about the message that we send, but the response of the other person. Thus, the best opportunity for communication is to start with what the other person is saying. This may be difficult for specialists in radiation safety when the information provided by the other person does not make any technical sense. Typically we want to hear good data for which we can apply our well developed analytical logic to resolve the problem and give an answer accordingly. When the other person appears to be speaking emotional nonsense, what options do we have? The answer is active listening. This may be the single most powerful tool for effective risk communications. Active listening does not take ownership of the problem. In other words, we do not have to give a problem-solving answer. Active listening is also non-defensive and avoids a dozen road-blocks to effective communications. Active listening is based on the insight that every communication has two parts,

a feeling or emotional part and a content part. By training and experience, we are usually very good at hearing the content part of a message. Identifying the feelings is more difficult. For technical types, it may help to suggest that all feelings can be captured by synonyms of four words, mad, sad, glad, and afraid. An active listening response paraphrases the content and identifies the underlying feeling. For example, a person says, "Radiation, I do not want anything to do with that!" An active listening response could be, "You are worried that radiation may be harmful for you." By hearing the feelings first, we may find that the feelings are defused (when you really hear the feeling, the other person does not have to keep trying to express that feeling). Hearing feelings also opens the door for further dialogue and helps identify the real issues. In this session we will describe the process of active listening and provide opportunities for practice.



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## **WORKS-IN-PROGRESS ABSTRACTS**

### **P.62 Evaluation of the NCRP wound model using USTUR plutonium-contaminated wound cases**

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During 2007, the National Council on Radiation Protection (NCRP) published report No. 156 entitled, "Development of a Biokinetic Model for Radionuclide-Contaminated Wounds for Their Assessment, Dosimetry and Treatment." This model represents the first formal attempt to develop a conceptual model of the pathways and processes determining radionuclide retention in a wound and associated lymph nodes, and the time-dependence of uptake into the systemic circulation. By necessity, however, the transfer rates recommended for specific types of material were derived primarily from experimental animal data. For practical health physics application (intake assessment), NCRP represented their predicted overall wound retention as a function of time by equivalent sums of exponential retention functions; with recommended (default) parameter values meant to characterize retention and systemic uptake of material in several different chemical and physical forms. This study examines how well NCRP's recommended default retention parameters for plutonium solution chemistry (strong, avid, particle and fragment retention) represent systemic plutonium uptakes in several voluntary tissue donors to the U.S. Transuranium and Uranium Registries (USTUR).

### **P.63 Implementation of the ICRP 2007 Recommendations in Korea**

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International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) is about to publish new recommendations on radiation protection. International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is also under process in revising its International Basic Safety Standards (BSS) to take into account of the changes of the ICRP recommendations. As soon as the revision of the BSS is completed, Korean government is considering to incorporate those changes in the BSS and the ICRP recommendations into its national radiation protection laws and regulations. This paper introduces the current activities and future prospects in this matter.

In the 2007 ICRP recommendations, there are some new concepts, principles and quantities such as the changes in the nominal risk coefficient for cancer and hereditary effects, new definitions on the tissue weighting factors and radiation weighting factors for neutron and proton, extended application of the dose constraints in all exposure situations in source-related radiation protection, and the introduction of new system of protection for non-human species

Based on the study carried out by KINS so far, the following points are identified as major areas that need for further in-depth review and consideration for the implementation of the ICRP 2007 recommendations into Korean radiation protection laws and regulations; changes in the radiation risk factors, radiation weighting factors and tissue weighting factors, maintenance of the ICRP 60 dose limits, practical application of the dose constraints and

determination of the reference levels in many source to individual exposure relationships, change from process-based system to exposure situation-based system, strengthening of the principle of optimization in all exposure situations, system of radiation protection for the environment, practical application of the exclusion and exemption principles, active participation of the stakeholders, changes in glossary etc.

The study for the implementation of the ICRP 2007 recommendations into national legislations will be conducted until the end of 2012. In the meantime, draft regulations will be developed and the possible impact on the nuclear industry will also be analyzed and active involvement of the stakeholders including licensees will be encouraged in the entire process. The final draft of the revised laws and regulations will be issued in the early of 2013 and the formal legislation process of this final draft will commence in due course.

#### **P.64 Development of Prompt Gamma Neutron Activation Analysis Facility at Texas A&M Nuclear Science Center Research Reactor for Trace Element Studies - Health Physics Challenges on Neutron/Gamma Radiation Levels and Shielding**

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A facility for conducting Prompt Gamma Neutron Activation Analysis (PGNAA) is being developed at the 1 MW TRIGA Research Reactor at Texas A&M Nuclear Science Center (NSC). This facility utilizes the beam port located perpendicular to the north of the reactor and consists of external sample position with shielding, and a gamma spectroscopic system. This report furnishes details of the beam collimator

design, beam catcher, sample geometry, and detector shielding. Neutron and gamma dose rates were monitored in the area around the beam port while the beam is ON and shielding materials were carefully chosen so as to reduce the scattered neutrons and gamma levels in the general area of the facility. The report also notes the radiation area controls implemented for this project. Boron and Hydrogen were the principal elements of interest; but provision for analysis of trace elements was being incorporated in the design. The average thermal neutron flux at the sample location was quantified by means of activated gold-aluminum (Au-Al) foil with and without cadmium (Cd) covers. To establish the performance capabilities of the facility, irradiations of simple standards and pure foils were performed to identify the prompt gamma ray energies from the elements.

#### **P.65 Environmental Protection Agency's Task-force on Research to Inform and Optimize Chemical Biological and Radiological Response**

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In January 2007, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the Agency's Task-force on Research to Inform and Optimize Chemical Biological and Radiological Response (TRIO). The charter of TRIO is to focus National Homeland Security Research Center (NHSRC) research efforts on critical homeland security response needs. Meetings were held for the purposes of reviewing historical chemical, biological, and radiological (CBR) responses, looking at future response scenarios, developing a comprehensive list of needs, and identifying and prioritizing



specific projects from the needs list. TRIO work groups were established in four discipline areas: radiation safety, chemical, biological, and standardized methods. The TRIO work groups' main customer is EPA's response community. TRIO's approach is collaborative and uses consensus between EPA's NHSRC and EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER). Within TRIO, the radiological safety group is focusing on radiological response and decontamination efforts. The Rad Group has identified four projects which are currently being developed and researched with the goal of providing products which will be useful to OSWER's On-Scene Coordinators (OSCs). The projects include identification of technologies for stabilization of radiological contamination on buildings and urban surfaces; comprehensive citizen self-help products for use in a radiological response; guidance for decontamination of responder assets; and guidance to assist in radiological dispersion device preparedness and recovery planning. Research activities within NHSRC directly support the Homeland Security Presidential Directives which have helped to define EPA's homeland security role. These activities will create research products that fortify the knowledge base of EPA's OSCs participating in responses to radioactive materials releases as they make decisions about protective actions and recovery strategies.

#### **P.66 The U.S. Army's Operation Iraqi Freedom Depleted Uranium Bioassay Screening Program**

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The U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine is

the Army's focal point for depleted uranium (DU) bioassay screening of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) Soldiers. Department of Defense and Army policies require Servicemembers with potential DU exposures to be assessed for intakes. For Army personnel, urine uranium bioassays are performed to determine potential intakes of DU. Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) analytical techniques are used to determine the uranium-238 concentration and the uranium 235/uranium 238 ratio in urine specimens. Screening began in June 2003 and continues today. As of March 2008 over 2200 Army personnel have been screened. The bioassay results for over 2200 personnel, the comparison to U.S. population urine uranium-238 concentrations, and the radiation dose based screening concentrations are graphically presented. Depleted uranium has been found in the urine specimens from 8 of the individuals screened. For one of these cases, the bioassay data are assessed with the recently published NCRP wound model (NCRP Report No. 156). The Army population of urine uranium-238 concentrations (over 2200 individuals) is comparable to the U.S. 20 years and older, uranium-238 concentration population as reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Environmental Health, Third National Report on Human Exposure to Environmental Chemicals, National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys, July 2005.

### **P.67 The Mobility of Radiocesium and Plutonium in Roach Lake in Southern Nevada**

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The concentrations of several natural and artificial radionuclides were determined in the sediment from a dry lake in southern Nevada. Five sites (designated I through V) were selected in a dry lake called Roach Lake located in Ivanpah Valley about 41 miles west of Las Vegas, Nevada. The samples were analyzed for Cs-137 and other gamma emitting radionuclides using high purity germanium detectors. The plutonium analysis was performed, after chemical separation, by the detection of its alpha particles emissions with surface barrier detectors. Strontium-90 was determined at only one site, after extraction from the samples, by measuring its daughter yttrium-90 with a gas proportional counting instrument. In all of the locations, the concentrations of the natural radionuclides measured were relatively uniform throughout the core. In contrast, the activity of Cs-137 in site I was determined to be 0.302 pCi/g at the top layer gradually decreasing to to unmeasurable concentrations (less than 0.04 pCi/g) at 5 cm below the surface. Analysis of Pu-239,240 showed an activity of 0.012 pCi/g at the top layer gradually decreasing to an unmeasurable concentration at 8 cm below the surface. A similar concentration-depth profile was observed for Cs-137 and Pu-239,240 in site IV, which was also collected at 1 cm intervals. The strontium-90 analysis, which was performed only on core (I), was found in measurable amounts to 21 cm. Its activity in the top 9 cm was fairly uniform at about 0.06 pCi/g after which it started declining at 9 cm to an activity of about 0.02 pCi/g at the 21st

cm layer from the surface. The Pb-210 dating of samples collected from location IV conclusively demonstrated that all of the excess lead-210 was in the top three to four centimeters - most in the uppermost 0.3 cm interval. Analysis of Bi-214 suggests constancy in the Ra-226 concentration up to the surface and thus indicates atmospheric origin of the excess Pb-210. Total activity of Cs-137, 15.5 and 9.4 mCi/km<sup>2</sup> for cores I & IV respectively, and a total activity of Pu-239, 0.725 and 0.611 mCi/km<sup>2</sup> for cores I & IV respectively compares to the global average inventory of 65± 20 mCi/km<sup>2</sup> Cs-137 and 1.8± 0.05 mCi/km<sup>2</sup>. The lower values in the dry lake are possibly an indication of the loss of these nuclides from the lake bed or lower input due to the dry climate which would limit washout of these nuclides from the atmosphere (low rain-out). The comparison of the Pu:Cs activity ratio, 0.049 for core I and 0.062 for core IV, results in much higher values than the global ratio of 0.028± 0.004, which indicates the fact that the Cs-137 may be removed from the dry lake at a higher rate than Pu-239,240 or the original fallout was not typical of the worldwide fallout but had a higher plutonium concentration, possibly due to testing at the Nevada Test Site.

### **P.68 Dosimetric evaluation of 142Pr glass applicator for the treatment of eye plaques in large animals - A feasibility study**

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Several beta-emitting nuclides were evaluated based on half lives, thermal neutron absorption cross sections, reusability, and radiation safety for personnel working around large animals during treatment. 142Pr among them was selected as an isotope of

choice due to its large thermal neutron cross section and 2.2 MeV max energy beta. Moreover,  $^{142}\text{Pr}$  glass applicator with a handling probe is reusable and can be easily re-activated in a research nuclear reactor when needed. This report details the dosimetric evaluation of  $^{142}\text{Pr}$  glass applicator for use in the treatment of eye plaques in large animals. The proposed design of the eye applicator probe considered was of square geometry 1 cm x 1 cm x 2 mm thick with slight rounded corners and with smooth edges so as not to injure the eye. The square geometry opposed to conventional spherical geometry will simplify the treatment planning process. Each probe needs to have a slight concave surface on the applicator side to conform to the mild curvature of the surface of the eyeball. Radiation protection for the clinical staff during radiation treatments on large animals can be accomplished by means of Plexiglas or other transparent beta radiation safety shield. Monte Carlo Transport Code (MCNP5) was used to calculate beta and gamma dose rate distributions in a simulated eye phantom. Dosimetric studies in water were performed in radial distances towards the center of the simulated eye from the surface of the eye. The surface dose rate with an initial activity of 0.3 Ci of  $^{142}\text{Pr}$  was expected to be about 190 cGys-1 which in turn delivers a total dose of 11,000 cGy at eye surface in one minute. The dose rates decrease about 50% for every 1 mm depth in soft tissue towards the center of the eye ball. After 6 mm depth, a significant decrease in the dose profiles was noted. The total dose calculated at 10 mm depth was 0.0001 of the surface dose. The dose rate expected from  $^{142}\text{Pr}$  applicator right behind a 2 cm beta shield was about 0.0055 cGys-1. Hence the dose rate for the clinical per-

sonnel standing at 30 cm or more during the treatment is insignificant.

### **P.69 Breakthrough Progress in the Design of a Traceable, but Robust and Affordable Beta Source for Contamination Monitors**

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Conventional test sources for beta contamination monitors suffer from a number of inherent problems: Every source is an individual and unique item regarding activity and surface emission rate, both of which need to be individually measured in order to minimize the uncertainty of these quantities. Sources from different manufacturers may have different spectra of the emitted particles depending on the production process. Furthermore large area test sources may have variations of the emission rate over the different sections of the surface and in many cases the user needs to correct for the decay of the radioisotope. In all cases the thin active surface is a delicate part of the source for which swipe tests need to be performed on a regular basis in order to verify the integrity of the source. Recently an innovative series of test adapters based on high purity natural Lutetium-Oxide was developed which avoids all these mentioned disadvantages: The rare earth element Lutetium contains the isotope Lu-176 with  $3.8 \times 10^{10}$  years half-life and a natural abundance of 2,6 %, which yields a specific activity of the pure element Lutetium of about 50 Bq/g. The available adapters contain up to 200 g of high density  $\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3$  ceramic material shaped to different dimension in order to minimize the necessary activity for testing the gamma radiation response of scintillation detectors and the energy calibration of gamma spectroscopic instruments. In respect to the new

application as a beta test source for surface contamination monitors, the unique feature of using a chemically pure bulk substance containing the radioisotope in its natural abundance results in a totally constant and homogeneous surface emission rate. Each and every source of the same surface area has the same beta emission rate, regardless of small variances of the thickness of the Lutetium-oxide ceramics. Absorption measurements show that the beta emission spectrum is very similar to Cs-137, but no individual source parameters need to be memorized and no decay correction needs to be performed. Furthermore, due to their natural origin and low specific activity, in respect to many national regulations and e.g. under US DOT or IATA rules for dangerous goods shipments, these adapters are not considered as radioactive material. The combination of all these unique features can help to facilitate the important frequent on-site performance verification of sensitive radiation detection equipment worldwide. These new test adapters will thus contribute to a reduction of calibration cost and instrument downtime, as well as to an increased user confidence and familiarity with “his” or “her” instrument.

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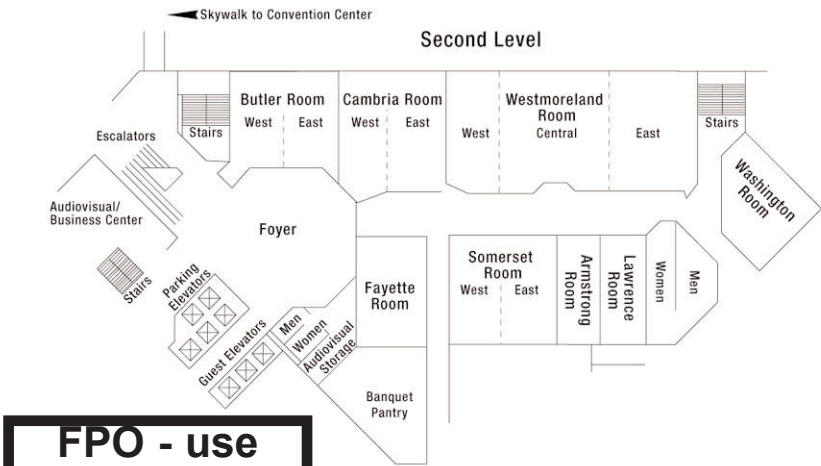
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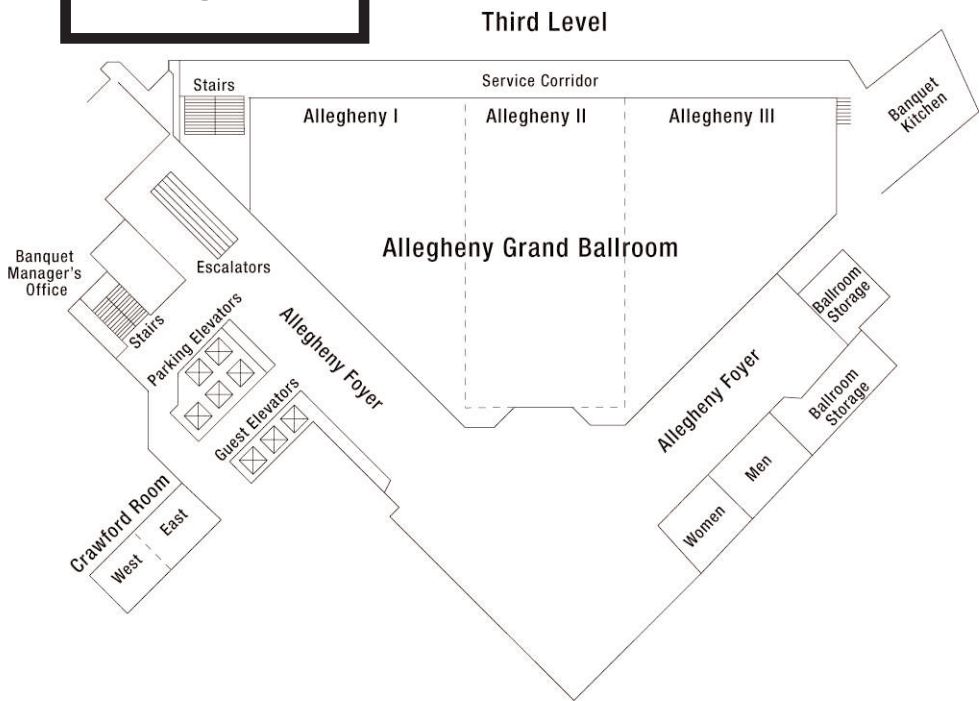
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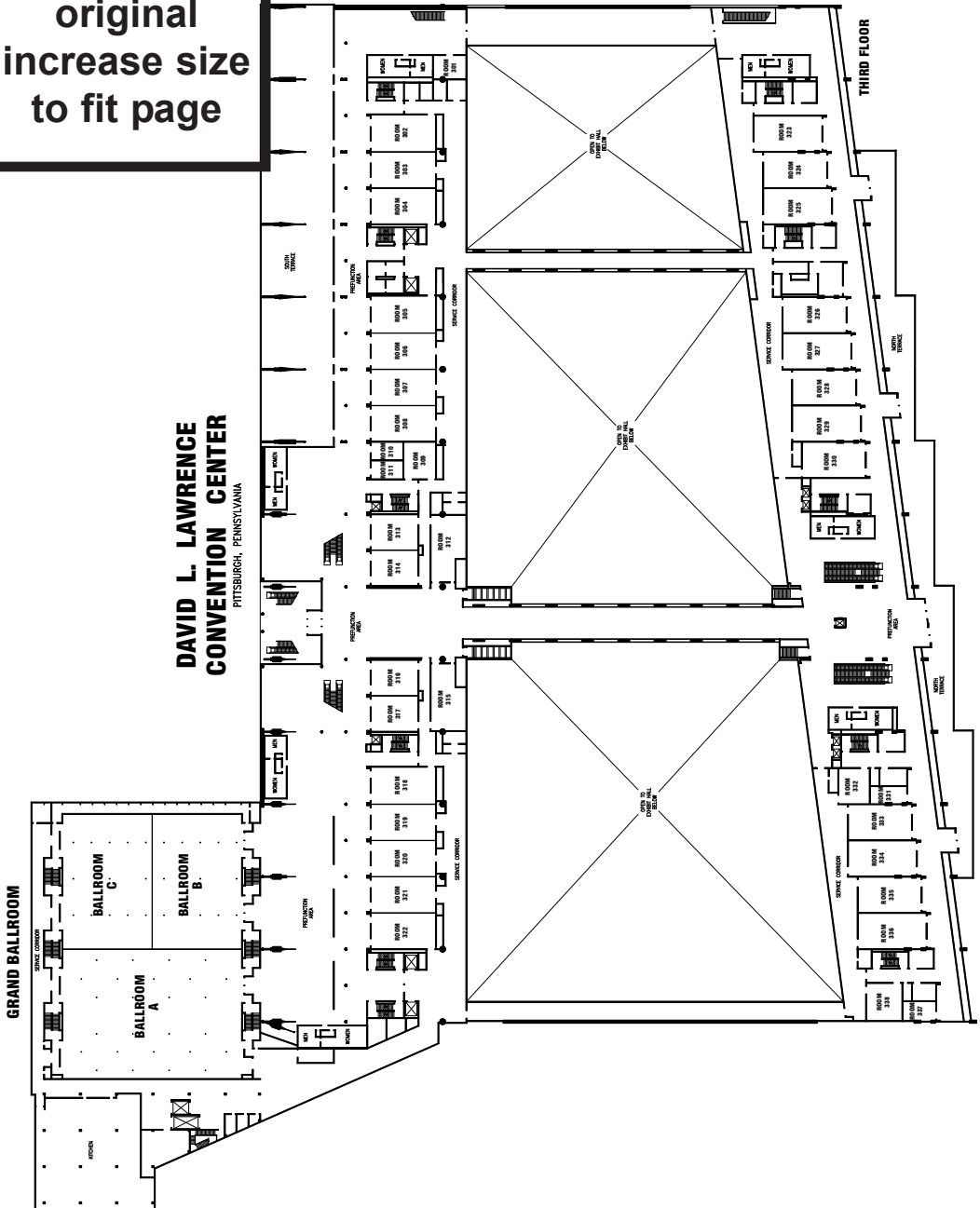


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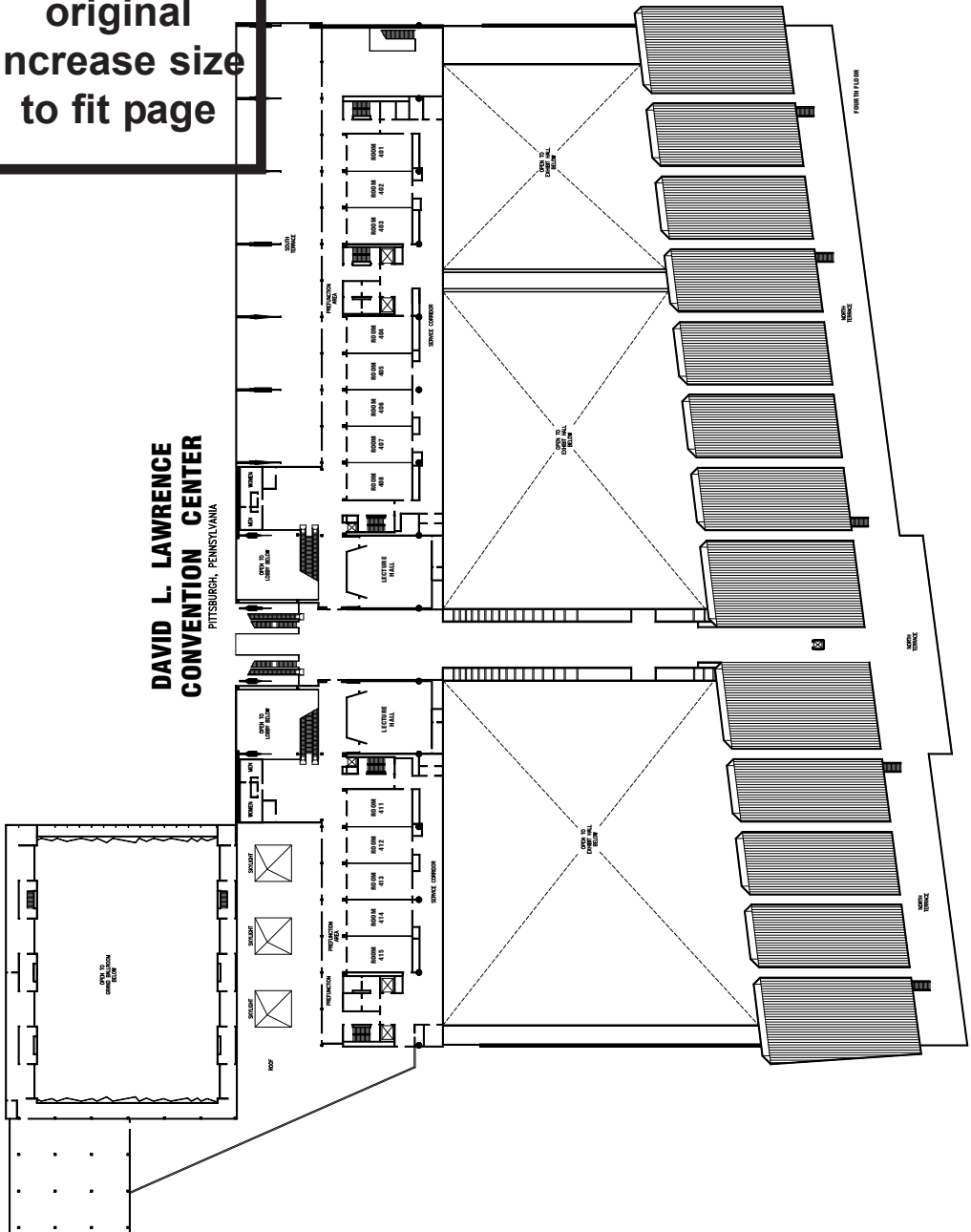


# David L. Lawrence Convention Center Floorplan - Third Floor

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**Saturday, July 12****All AAHP Courses are in the Westin Hotel**

**AAHP 1** Radiation Risk Communication – Tools for Helping People Understand Radiation  
8:00 am-5:00 pm *Cambria East/West (WH)*

**AAHP 2** Key Elements of Preparing Emergency Responders for Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism: An Overview of NCRP Commentary 19  
8:00 am-5:00 pm *Butler East/West (WH)*

**AAHP 3** Developing & Demonstrating Compliance with DCGLs for Subsurface Soils  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm *Crawford East/West (WH)*

**Sunday, July 13****All Sunday PEPs are at the Convention Center**

**PEP 1-A thru 1-H**  
8:00-10:00 am

**PEP 2-A thru 2-H**  
10:30 am-12:30 pm

**PEP 3-A thru 3-H**  
2:00-4:00 pm

**Sunday PEP Rooms:**

**A - 301**  
**B - 302**  
**C - 303**  
**D - 304**  
**E - 305**  
**F - 315**  
**G - 316**  
**H - 317**

**Welcome Reception**

6:00-7:00 pm  
*Allegheny Ballroom (WH)*

**All Events are in the Convention Center or Westin Hotel (WH) as noted**

**Section Business Meetings**Tuesday

Reactor, 305, 10:15 am  
Medical 408/409, 11:45 am  
Accelerator, 406, Noon

Wednesday

Environmental, 305, 2:30 pm  
Decommissioning, 401/402, 4:45 pm

**Monday, July 14**

**CEL1** After Katrina – Applying Health Physics Controls to Accomplish Restoration and Cleaning of Military Personal Property in the Gulf Coast Region  
7:00-8:00 am 406

**CEL2** Effectively Managing the “Under-Exposed”  
7:00-8:00 am 407

**ABHP Exam - Part 1**

8:00-11:00 am *Westmoreland (WH)*

**MAM-A Plenary Session**

8:10 am-12:05 pm *Ballroom B/C*

Lunch in Exhibit Hall for all Registrants and Opening of Exhibits  
12:15 - 1:00 pm *Exhibit Hall C*

**PEP Program**

12:15-2:15 pm

**PEP M1** Low-Level Radioactive Waste Minimization at an Academic Institution. 301

**PEP M2** Basic Statistics. 302

**PEP M3** Fundamentals of Neutron Detection and Detection Systems for Assay of Nuclear Material. 303

**PEP M4** Basic Principles of Environmental Control by Ventilation. 304

**PEP M5** Operational Accelerator Health Physics I. 305

**ABHP Exam - Part II**

12:30 - 6:30 pm *Westmoreland (WH)*

**HPS Chapter Council**

1:00 - 2:00 pm 406

**Poster Session**

1:00 - 3:00 pm *Exhibit Hall*

**MPM-A** External Dosimetry 3:00-4:45 pm 401/402

**MPM-B** Homeland Security 3:00-4:45 pm 403/404

**MPM-C** Regulatory/Legal Issues 3:00-5:15 pm 406

**MPM-D** Operational Health Physics I 3:15-5:00 pm 407

**Tuesday, July 15**

**CEL3** Spend a Little, Save a Lot! How Lightning Strike Detection Technology Supports Company and Community Activities  
7:00-8:00 am 406

**CEL4** The Life Cycle of a Trend  
7:00-8:00 am 407

**TAM-A** Environmental I  
8:30-11:45 am 401/402

**TAM-B** Special Session: Radiological Hazard Assessment, Med Response, and Emer Planning Software Tools  
8:30 am-Noon 403/404

**Movies**

8:30 am-Noon 405

**TAM-C1** Reactor Health Physics  
8:30-9:45 am 406

**TAM-C2** Accelerator  
10:15 am-Noon 406

**TAM-D** Special Session: AAHP - Radiation Accidents and Incidents — Lessons Learned  
8:30 am-Noon 407

**TAM-E** Medical Health Physics I  
8:45-11:45 am 408/409

**AAHP Awards Luncheon**

Noon-2:15 pm 411/412

**PEP Program**

12:15-2:15 pm

**PEP T1** How to Conduct News Media Interviews. 301

**PEP T2** Recent Developments in Radiation Litigation. 302

**PEP T3** Radiological Performance Measures. 303

**PEP T4** Neutrons- A Primer. 304

**PEP T5** Operational Accelerator Health Physics II. 305

**TPM-A** Environmental II  
2:30-5:00 pm 401/402

**TPM-B** Special Session: Radiological Hazard Assessment, Med Response, and Emer Planning Software Tools  
2:30-5:00 pm 403/404

**Movies**

2:30-5:00 pm 405

**TPM-C** NESHAPs - Rad Air  
2:30-5:00 pm 406

**TPM-D** Special Session: AAHP - Radiation Accidents and Incidents—Lessons Learned  
2:30-5:15 pm 407

**TPM-E** Operational HP II  
2:30-5:00 pm 408/409

**AAHP Open Meeting**

5:15 pm 407

**HPS Awards Dinner & Recep**

7:00-10:00 pm *Allegheny Ballroom (WH)*

**Wednesday, July 16**

**CEL5** Uncertainty Assessment  
in Atmospheric Dispersion Computations

7:00-8:00 am 406

**CEL6** Looking at the Big Picture  
7:00-8:00 am 407

**WAM-A** Special Session:  
Environmental Issues Associated  
with the Resurgence of Uranium  
Recovery Operations

8:30 am-Noon 401/402

**WAM-B:** Special Session:  
Emergency Response Modeling  
8:30 am-12:15 pm 403/404

**WAM-C:** Medical Health Physics II  
8:45 am-Noon 406

**WAM-D** Special Session: PA's  
Radiological History I  
8:30 am-Noon 407

**Movies**

8:30 am-Noon 405

**PEP Program**

12:15-2:15 pm

**PEP W1** Overview of Interactive  
Radioepidemiological Program  
(IREP). 301

**PEP W2** Implications for Security  
Based Uses of Radiation. 302

**PEP W3** Laser Safety for Health  
Physicists. 303

**PEP W4** How to Prepare for News  
Media Interviews. 304

**PEP W5** Review of IATA  
Requirements for Air  
Transportation of Radioactive  
Material. 305

**WPM-A** Decommissioning  
2:30-4:45 pm 401/402

**WPM-B** Special Session:  
Emergency Response Modeling  
2:30-5:30 pm 403/404

**WPM-C1** Internal Dosimetry  
2:30-3:30 pm 406

**WPM-C2** Nanotechnology  
3:45-5:15 pm 406

**WPM-D1** Special Session:  
Pennsylvania's Radiological  
History II  
2:30-3:30 pm 407

**WPM-D2** Special Session:  
Military Health Physics  
3:45-5:30 pm 407

**Movies**

2:30-5:00 pm 405

**HPS Business Meeting**

5:30-6:30 pm 406

**WPM-E** Adjunct Technical  
Session: Aerosol Measurements  
6:00-8:30 pm Westmoreland  
Central (WH)

**Thursday, July 17**

**CEL7** Pu-238 Source Leak  
Event: Internal Dosimetry Consid-  
erations

7:00-8:00 am 406

**CEL8** The Most Powerful Tool  
for Effective Risk Communication -  
Active Listening  
7:00-8:00 am 407

**THAM-A** Instrumentation  
8:45-11:45 am 401/402

**THAM-B** Emergency Planning/  
Response  
8:30-11:45 am 403/404

**THAM-C** Risk Analysis  
8:30-10:30 am 406

**THAM-D** Internal Dosimetry and  
Bioassay  
8:30-11:45 am 407

**Registration Hours**

**David L. Lawrence  
Convention Center**

Saturday 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Monday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tuesday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday 8:00 - 10:00 am

**Exhibit Hall Hours****Exhibit Hall**

Monday 12:15 - 5:00 pm

Tuesday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm

Wednesday 9:30 am - Noon

<b>MAM</b>	<b>Monday AM Session</b>
<b>MPM</b>	<b>Monday PM Session</b>
<b>TAM</b>	<b>Tuesday AM Session</b>
<b>TPM</b>	<b>Tuesday PM Session</b>
<b>WAM</b>	<b>Wednesday AM Session</b>
<b>WPM</b>	<b>Wednesday PM Session</b>
<b>THAM</b>	<b>Thursday AM Session</b>

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- \* HPS 2 PEP courses are granted 4 CECs each;
- \* HPS 1 hour CELs are granted 2 CECs each.