

## Free Webinars on Occupational Radiation Protection 24 June 2020 (2) 10:00- 11:30 CEST



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Individual monitoring with radiophotoluminescence (RPL) passive integrating dosimeters



### Welcome to the 9<sup>th</sup> ORP webinar



JOINT ORPU/RSTSU WEBINAR ON INDIVIDUAL MONITORING WITH RADIOPHOTOLUMINESCENCE (RPL) PASSIVE INTEGRATING DOSIMETERS

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## **Learning objectives**

- IAEA GSR Part 3 requirements & GSG-7 guidance for technical service providers for external individual monitoring
- RPL dosimetry and setting an RPL dosimetry laboratory for individual and workplace monitoring
- Routine operation of an RPL dosimetry laboratory for individual monitoring
- Clinical applications of RPL dosimeters
- Experience of laboratories to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic
- Experience of the IAEA Radiation Safety Technical Services on characterization of RPL dosimetry system for individual monitoring





**RSM**: https://www.iaea.org/about/radiation-safety-and-monitoring-section

#### Welcome note from Miroslav Pinak Head of Radiation Safety and Monitoring Section/ NSRW

Webinar on "Individual monitoring with RPL passive integrating dosimeters"



## **International Basic Safety Standards, GSR Part 3**

IAEA Safety Standards

Radiation Protection and Safety of Radiation Sources:

International Basic Safety Standards

No. GSR Part 3

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 An integrated and consistent set of Safety Requirements that establishes the requirements that must be met to ensure the protection of people and the environment, both now and in the future.



- Protection and Safety requirements of the BSS apply to all facilities and activities
- Planned, emergency and existing exposure situations
- Occupational, public and medical exposure categories
- 52 overarching requirements for governments, regulatory bodies,
- industry, health and safety professionals, workers, public and service providers such as technical support organizations
- <u>12 requirements for ORP;</u> Control, monitoring and recording
- <u>Regulator</u>, <u>TSP</u> (authorization or approval of service providers for individual monitoring and calibration services) & <u>Operators</u>

#### **GSR Part 3 coverage for ORP**



Planned exposure situation



#### **Occupational exposure**

Req 19: Responsibilities of the regulatory body

- Req 20: Requirements for monitoring and recording of occupational exposure
- Req 21: Responsibilities of employers, registrants and licensees
- Req 22: Compliance by workers (Responsibilities of workers)
- Req 23: Cooperation between employers, registrants and licensees
- Req 24: Radiation protection programme
- Req 25: Assessment of occupational exposure and workers' health surveillance
- Req 26: Information, instruction and training
- Req 27: Conditions of service
- Req 28: Protection and safety for female workers and for persons under 18 years of age





#### **Exposure of Emergency Workers**

Req 45: Protection of emergency workers (arrangements for controlling the exposure

Existing exposure situation



#### **Occupational exposure** Req 52: Protection of workers in existing exposure situations (remedial actions, Rn in workplaces, exposure of air crew)

## **General Safety Guide on ORP (GSG-7)**



IAEA Safety Standards for protecting people and the environment
Occupational Radiation Protection
General Safety Guide No. GSG-7

- Provides guidance on the control of occupational exposure (technical and operational aspects)
- Based on "exposure situations", and provides information on ORP framework, exposures of workers in different exposure situations, protection of workers in special cases, dose assessment, management system for service providers, control measures as well as health surveillance
- New approaches for itinerant workers, female workers during and after pregnancy, monitoring of lens of the eye, etc.

#### GSG-7



- Framework for ORP (Section 2)
  - Graded approach
- Planned Exposure Situations (3)
  - RPP and exposure to natural sources of radiation
- Emergency Exposure Situations (4)
  - Emergency workers, management
- Existing Exposure Situations (5)
- Protection of workers in special cases (6)
  - Female workers during and after pregnancy & itinerant workers

- Assessment of occupational exposure (7)
  - External, internal, emergency, skin contamination and records
- Management of technical service providers (8)
  - Management, process, additional guidance for providers of calibration and testing
- Engineered, administrative controls and PPE (9)
  - Control measures
- Workers' health surveillance (10)
  - Examination, records, overexposure management

- Appendices
  - Exposure of workers to naturally occurring radioactive material
  - Methods and systems for individual monitoring for assessment of external exposure
  - Workplace monitoring instruments for assessment of external exposure
  - Biokinetic models for assessment of internal exposure
  - Methods for individual monitoring of internal contamination
- Annex
  - Techniques for retrospective dosimetry



#### Today's Speaker: Yasuhiro Koguchi

#### Deputy Head of Oarai Research Center Chiyoda Technol Cooperation





#### **Today's Speaker: Alain Savary**

Head of Metrology and Method Unit of the Department of Institute for Radiological Protection and Nuclear Safety (IRSN)





**RSTSU**: <u>https://www.iaea.org/topics/workers/radiation-safety-technical-services</u>



Today's Speaker: Michael Hayek Individual Monitoring Service Group Leader



### Implementation of Radiophotoluminescence Dosimetry at IAEA Radiation Safety Technical Services Laboratory

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Topics in Radiation Protection Dosimetry – Radiophotoluminescence Dosimetry 24 June 2020, IAEA Technical Webinar Series

#### **Radiation Safety Technical Services Laboratory**

- External and internal individual monitoring for all operations under IAEA control or supervision around the globe
  - 3000 monitored individuals, 45000 external dose measurements
  - Bound to IAEA Radiation Safety and Nuclear Security Regulations implementing requirements of International Basic Safety Standards



Services to events in 110 countries









### Accreditation to EN ISO/IEC 17025:2017

- Formal recognition of laboratory's competence, impartiality and independence
- Regular assessments by internationally recognized accreditation body
  - Ensuring continued compliance with requirements
  - Verifying that standard of operation is maintained

Scope of accreditation comprises 13 methods in external, internal and workplace monitoring





### **RADSED Major Capital Investment Project**



#### Enhancing Radiation Safety through Efficient and Modern Dosimetry



#### **Implementation of RPL Dosimetry**



Work package	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1. Procurement and delivery of dosimetry system					
2. Equipment installation and acceptance test					
3. Method verification and uncertainty budget					
4. Quality management documentation					
5. External training in operation and maintenance					
6. In-house training and competency building					
7. Proficiency testing plan					
8. Internal and external audits					
9. System implementation into routine operation					
10. Update of laboratory authorization					

## **Method Verification**



#### Verification of dosimetric performance properties to IEC 62387:2020

Initially certified at IRSN, France, to previous editions of the standard

- Coefficient of variation
- Non-linearity of response due to dose dependence
- Energy and angular response to betas and photons
   M. Hajek *et al. Radiat. Prot. Dosim.* DOI: 10.1093/rpd/ncaa077 (2020).

#### Reference irradiations at accredited SSDLs

- Seibersdorf Laboratories, Austria
- CIEMAT, Spain



#### **Nonlinearity and Coefficient of Variation**







#### **Energy Response**





- Photon qualities ( $\sim 3 \text{ mSv}, n = 5$ )
  - N-40, N-60, N-80, N-100, N-150, N-200, N-300, S-Cs, S-Co
- Beta qualities (~10 mSv, n = 8)
  - <sup>85</sup>Kr-85, <sup>90</sup>Sr/<sup>90</sup>Y



#### **Angular Response**





- Photon qualities (~ 3 mSv, n = 5)
  - N-40, N-60, N-80
- Beta qualities (~ 10 mSv, n = 8)
  - <sup>85</sup>Kr-85, <sup>90</sup>Sr/<sup>90</sup>Y



#### **Method Verification**





#### Extremely fast readout

- Throughput of 300 dosimeters per hour in compact reader instrument
- Possibility for repeated reads
- Superior response characteristics and wide dose range
- Robustness against fading and environmental temperature

## Preliminary assessment of the brief survey results



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2. Did you adopt systematic calibration procedures as per ISO-4037? *
◯ Yes
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- 10 questions to understand the participant's practices with RPL
  - Type of Services
  - Calibration procedures
  - Accreditation
  - Algorithm for dose assessment, etc.



Roman Abutalipov Associate Radiation Safety Officer

#### 1. What types of luminescent dosimeters do you work with?



Yes No		66	,7 %	
	3. Is your se	rvice authorized or approved by the res	pective national regulatory authority? *	
	Yes		80 %	
		4. Has your service been accredite ISO/IEC 17025?	ed to internationally accepted management star	ndards such as
		🗹 Yes	73,3 %	
		O No		

#### 5. What type of services do you perform using RPL dosimeters?



## 6. For which of the following radiation types are you able to provide a dosimetry service using RPL dosimeters?

66 %   Beta radiation;   ▲ All mentioned   ▲ All mentioned	<ul> <li>X-rays;</li> <li>Gamma radiation;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ X-rays;</li> <li>✓ Gamma radiation;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>X-rays;</li> <li>Gamma radiation;</li> <li>T %</li> <li>Beta radiation;</li> <li>All mentioned</li> </ul>
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	All mentioned	All mentioned	Gamma radiation;

7. Are all or most of your RPL dosimeters equipped with energy compensator filters?

If yes, do you use any algorithm for dose assessment?



8. For how long has your service been working with RPL dosimeters?



9. What are the monitoring quantities the most commonly used in you practice working with RPL dosimeters?



10. What disadvantages of RPLD could you emphasize?



Determination of sensitivity correction factor for every dosimeter

Unable to monitor neutron radiation

20%

- Require careful treatment to get accurate results of measurements
- Constant environment conditions are required during readout and annealing (temperature and humidity)

## **Upcoming webinars**



#### Topics to be addressed;

- Artificial intelligence with regard to radiation protection of workers and the future of workplace safety (22 July 2020 at 4 pm CET)
- Individual monitoring with optically stimulated luminescence passive dosimeters
- Thermoluminescent Dosimeters and maintenance of readers
- Establishment and Operation of Management Systems for TSPs
- Surface contamination monitoring and calibration
- Internal dosimetry State of the art practices (In-vivo & in-vitro)
- Personal Protective Equipment- Lessons learned from the shortage during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Recognition as a third party and laboratory accreditation demonstration of fulfilment

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ORP webinars web-page: https://www.iaea.org/topics/radiation-safety/webinars

#### **International Conference on Radiation Safety:** *Improving Radiation Protection in Practice*

## International Conference on RADIATION SAFETY Improving Radiation Protection in Practice 9-13 November 2020 Vienna, Austria

#### **Topics**

- Challenges with the SRP
- Dose constraints, reference levels, dose limits
- Optimization
- Existing exposure situations
- Dose limit for the lens of the eye
- Implementation challenges
- Radon
- Food and drinking water
- Industrial operations involving NORM
- Aircrew and space crew
- Non-medical human imaging
- Justification of medical exposures
- & others...

# IAEA Safety Standards

Radiation Protection and Safety of Radiation Sources: International Basic Safety Standards

No. GSR Part 3

#### **KEY DEADLINES:**

Electronic submission of synopses through INDICO	20 January – 15 March 2020
Submission of Forms A and B through official channel	1 June 2020
Notification of acceptance of synopses	15 July 2020
Registration only (submission of Form A through official channel)	No deadline

## Occupational Radiation Protection NETworks

#### Thank you for your participation



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