

EURADOS Working Group 7

Internal Dosimetry

Motivation

The Internal Dosimetry community dealing with occupational exposures is currently focused on:

- The harmonization of methods and tools to obtain the “best estimate” of the intake and dose due to the incorporation of radionuclides into the body (ICRP, IDEAS Guidelines);
- Networking and coordination of research to promote collaboration of internal dosimetry experts, laboratories and services;
- Normalization for the establishment of Standards for appropriate quality assurance programs that guarantee reliability of the results of monitoring and dose E(50) and permit accreditation of internal dosimetry laboratories and
- Dissemination of knowledge, education and training.

Aims

Working Group 7 (WG7) within EURADOS acts as a network of scientists, services, regulators and laboratories collaborating for the coordination of research and the dissemination of knowledge for the assessment of doses due to intakes of radionuclides. EURADOS WG7 “Internal Dosimetry” program of work (2014-2016) is presented as follows:

- TECHREC Project (EC-DG ENER, 2014-2016) to elaborate “Technical recommendations for Monitoring Individuals for Occupational Intakes of Radionuclides” in Europe.
- Harmonization on internal dose assessments (e.g. IDEAS Guidelines V2, EURADOS Report 01-2013, Technical recommendations for Monitoring and dose assessments – TECHREC project)
- Implementation & quality assurance of reference biokinetic models (e.g. from ICRP/OIR Reports)
- Application of Monte Carlo (MC) methods and voxel phantoms to in-vivo monitoring (collaboration with WG6 “Computational Dosimetry”).
- Individual monitoring of internal exposures for Emergency scenarios (e.g. Emergency In-vitro Bioassay intercomparison, EURADOS survey of individual monitoring data of foreigners due to Fukushima NPP accident).
- Education and training on internal dosimetry (e.g. Fundamentals, MC for in-vivo monitoring,...)
- Internal Microdosimetry (collaboration with WG6 “Computational Dosimetry”).
- Study of biological dosimetry vs. internal dosimetry in cases of accidental internal exposures (collaboration with WG10 “Retrospective Dosimetry”).

Actions

Completed

- EURADOS/IAEA *Training Course* on Advanced Methods for Internal Dose Assessment. Application of IDEAS Guidelines and dissemination of CONRAD internal dosimetry results (CTU-Prague, 2-6 February 2009).
- MC Intercomparison of ^{241}Am in knee (**Task 7.4 + WG6**)
- Monte Carlo Intercomparison of enriched Uranium in the lungs of a Livermore Torso Phantom
- In-vivo/MC Intercomparison for determination of ^{241}Am in a USTUR leg phantom.
- Update of IDEAS Guidelines and IDEAS Databases(**Task 7.1**)
- In vivo monitoring Intercomparison of Am-241 in 3 skull phantoms (**Task 7.4**)
- MC Intercomparison of Am-241 in 3 skull phantoms (**Task 7.4 + WG6**).
- EURADOS/KIT Training Course on MC calibration of Body Counters (**Task 7.4 + WG6**)
- Emergency In vitro Bioassay Intercomparison (**Task 7.4**).
- EURADOS Survey of individual monitoring data and dose assessments of foreigners exposed in Japan due to the Fukushima Daiichi NPP accident (**Task 7.4**).

Ongoing and planned

- Guidance for the application of ICRP/OIR biokinetic models. EURADOS Report (**Task 7.2**)
- Towards a DTPA Therapy model (**Task 7.2/Task 7.3**)
- Monte Carlo (MC) applications to in-vivo measurements of radionuclides (**Task 7.4+WG6**)
- Uncertainty Studies on Internal Dose Assessments (**Task 7.5**).
- Training Courses on Internal Dosimetry. Fundamentals. (**Task 7.6**).
- TECHREC Project, EC DG ENER (**Task 7.6**).
- Internal Microdosimetry (**Task 7.7**).
- Biodosimetry vs. Internal Dosimetry in case of accidental internal exposures (**Task 7.8 + WG10**).

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Tasks

- Task 7.1– Update of IDEAS Guidelines.
- Task 7.2/Task 7.3– Application/QA of Biokinetic Models.
- Task 7.4– Application of Monte Carlo Methods to in-vivo monitoring of radionuclides.
- Task 7.5– Uncertainty Studies.
- Task 7.6– Training actions on internal dosimetry. TECHREC Project.
- Task 7.7– Internal Microdosimetry

Publications – Dissemination of knowledge

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