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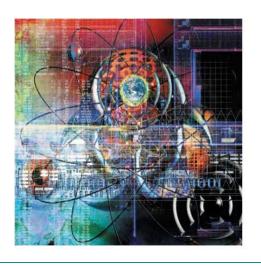
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## **Euratom legal framework for radiation protection in medicine**



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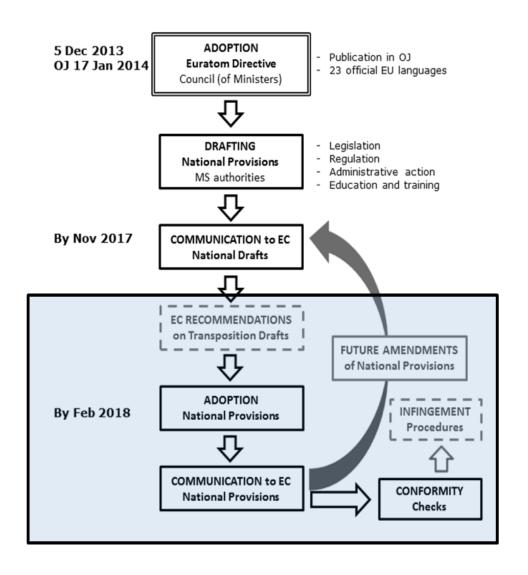


#### **Chapter III Health and Safety**

- Basic safety standards for the protection of the health of workers and the general public against dangers arising from ionising radiations
- Article 31 **Group of Experts**, standing Working Party on Medical Exposure (WP MED)
  - Council Directive 2013/59/Euratom, Basic Safety Standards (BSSD)
  - Chapter VII, Medical Exposure



### Implementation of Euratom law in Member States



#### **EU Radiation Protection series**

- support implementation in Member States
- studies, guidance, etc.





# Medical radiation exposure in the European Union

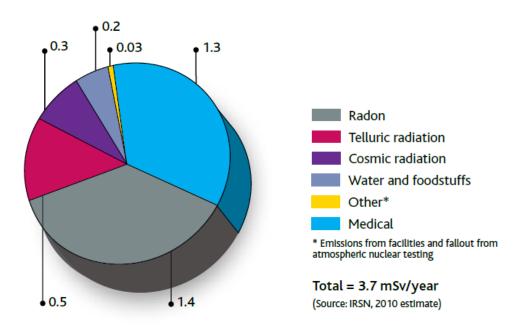
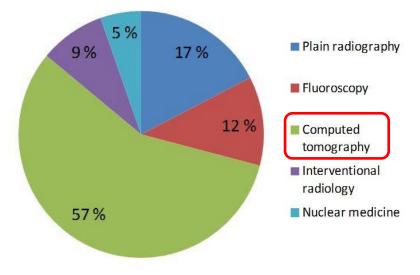


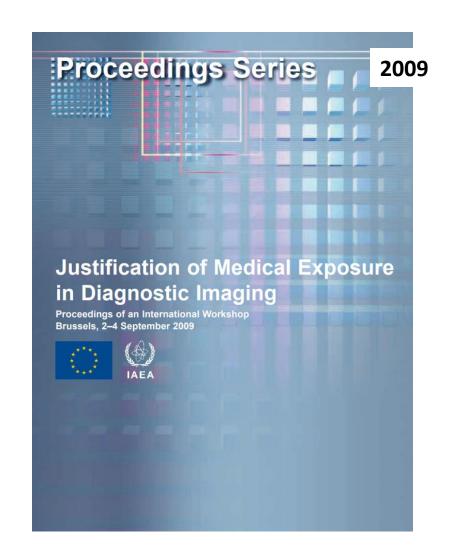
Figure VIII.1 - Average exposure to ionizing radiation of the population in France



Contribution to medical exposure in the EU (RP 180, EC 2015)



## Previous Commission support for justification of medical exposures







## Council Conclusions on justification of medical exposures



Brussels, 3 December 2015 (OR. en)

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Council conclusions on Justification of medical imaging [...]

#### **URGES / INVITES Member States** to:

- [...]
- **define** the **roles and responsibilities** of all health care professionals involved in justification process
- raise awareness among health care professionals and patients
- ensure proper implementation of referral guidelines for imaging
- strengthen the application of clinical audit in relation to justification
- establish initial and continuous training of health care professionals



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### SAMIRA: Strategic Agenda for Medical Ionising Radiation Applications



Security of supply of medical radioisotopes



Quality and safety of medical applications



Innovation and technological development



## Steering Group on Quality and Safety (SGQS) of medical applications



Member State and Norway Health and Radiation Protection authorities

- Data collection
- Guidance and evidence
- Regulatory co-ordination
- Workforce availability, E&T
- Access to equipment and procedures

Guidance and recommendations

Sharing of good practices

MS implementation and feedback

EU general budget

EU4Health programme

Euratom R&T programme



### **SAMIRA** action on clinical audit



#### **SGQS**

- draws conclusions from studies and activities
- > supports implementation of recommendations in MS



Position paper on clinical audit, June 2023

Implementation support for Member States

MS implementation and feedback



### Clinical audit position paper

- Based on QuADRANT study and subsequent RP 198, HERCA work:
  - National framework and infrastructure for clinical audit (resources, bodies, standards!)
  - Regulatory control of clinical audit (implementation, risk-based grading, regulatory control!)
  - Clinical audit inclusion in accreditation and certification schemes
  - Support for successful implementation (education, integration into departments, sharing of information)
  - Involvement of patient representatives and use of anonymised patient data





# Ongoing EU activities on Quality and Safety of medical applications



### **DG ENER budget**

- EU-JUST-CT justification of computed tomography
- SIMPLERAD coordination of legal bases for radiopharmaceuticals
- Monitoring and control of patients radiation exposure study
- MARLIN learning from patients-related incidents







# Ongoing EU activities on Quality and Safety of medical applications



#### **EU4Health WP**

- i-Violin –optimisation tools in cancer computed tomography imaging
- EU-REST workforce availability, education and training
- INTERACT Inter-specialty cancer training programme









### Ongoing EU activities on Quality and Safety of medical applications



### **Euratom Research and Training programme**

- PIANOFORTE Partnership for research in radiation protection
- SECURE dosimetry aspects in new radionuclide therapies
- Etc.









## SAMIRA activities on innovation and technological development



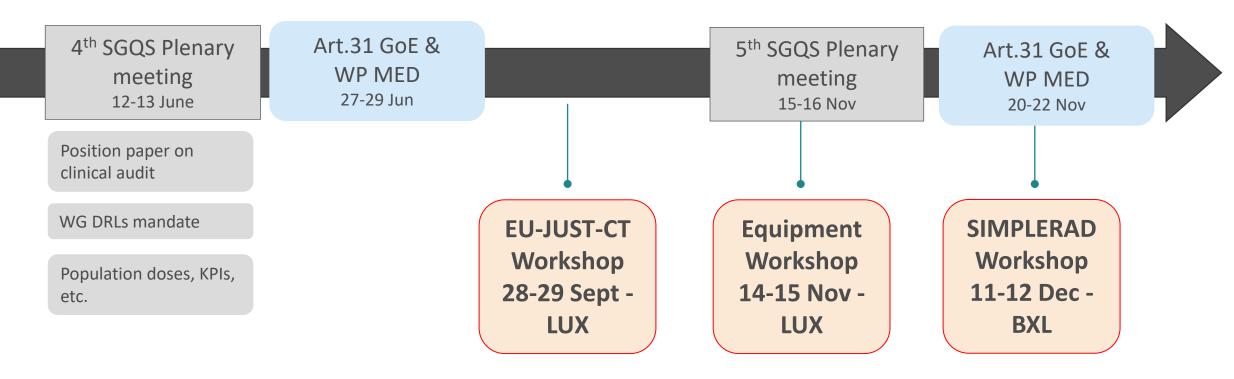


- Strategic Research Agenda and Roadmap for medical application of ionising radiation
- Develop Synergies between Radiation
   Protection, Health and Digitisation





### EC meetings on radiation protection in medicine





### For further information



Medical uses of radiation (europa.eu)







SAMIRA Action Plan (europa.eu)

