

Challenges in traceability of medical dosimetry: proposals for updates in X-ray imaging, nuclear medicine and radiation protection

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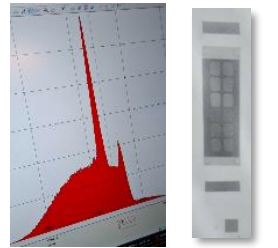
Purpose: IEC and ISO standards and IAEA protocols define requirements for dosimeters and their calibration. However, the recent technical developments require new approaches and data.

Methods: Current situation in X-ray imaging, radiation protection and nuclear medicine were reviewed under IAEA CRP E24024 and three EURAMET projects.

Conclusions: The results provide an overview of state-of-the art and recommendations that should be considered when standards and dosimetry procedures are updated.

Impact:

- New procedures proposed.
- New services established.
- Uncertainties decreased.



XMM = X-ray multimeter



RESULTS

X-ray imaging dosimetry:



- New reference radiation qualities: RQR+Cu-filters.
- New requirements and classification for dosimeters: introduction of reference-class.
- New proposals to cover XMM quantities: HVL, total filtration, irradiation time, mean peak voltage.

Radiation protection dosimetry:



- Better specification for standard radiation qualities.
- New conversion coefficients for dose equivalent quantities, including Am-241.
- Recommendations for future standardization needs.

Nuclear medicine dosimetry:



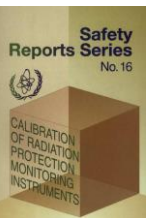
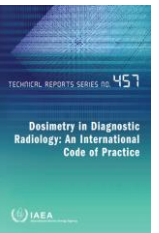
- New traceability routes planned.
- Data collected to improve uncertainty estimations.



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=>IEC 61674
=>IEC 61676
+new ones

=>ISO4037
+harmonized use of
IEC standards

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