

# Radiation Protection at High Energy Accelerator Laboratories

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# Definition of Radiation Protection

**Radiation protection:** The protection of people from the effects of ionizing radiation, and the means for achieving this.

- Radiation Protection Training
- Assessment of radiological risks at work places
- Area monitoring
- Individual monitoring of personnel
- Control and characterization of radioactive material and waste
- Management of radioactive sources and waste
- Assessment of radiological risks related to new projects
- ...

At CERN: Responsibility of **CERN's Radiation Protection Unit**, providing **expert advice**, **authorizing** activities and **controlling** compliance of activities with RP rules.

# Definition of Radiation Safety

**Radiation safety:** The achievement of proper operating conditions, preventions of accidents or mitigation of accident consequences, resulting in protection of workers, the public and the environment from undue radiation hazards.

- shielding
- beam operation
- access system
- fire prevention
- ventilation
- optimized design of facility
- ...

Responsibility of **the owner of the source** emitting ionizing radiation  
(At CERN: Departments BE, PH, EN, TE)

# Ionising Radiation

Ionising radiation are

- photons (X-rays,  $\gamma$ -radiation)
- particles ( $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - ( $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ),  $p^+$ ,  $p^-$ ,  $n$ ,  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\mu^+$ ,  $\mu^-$ ...)

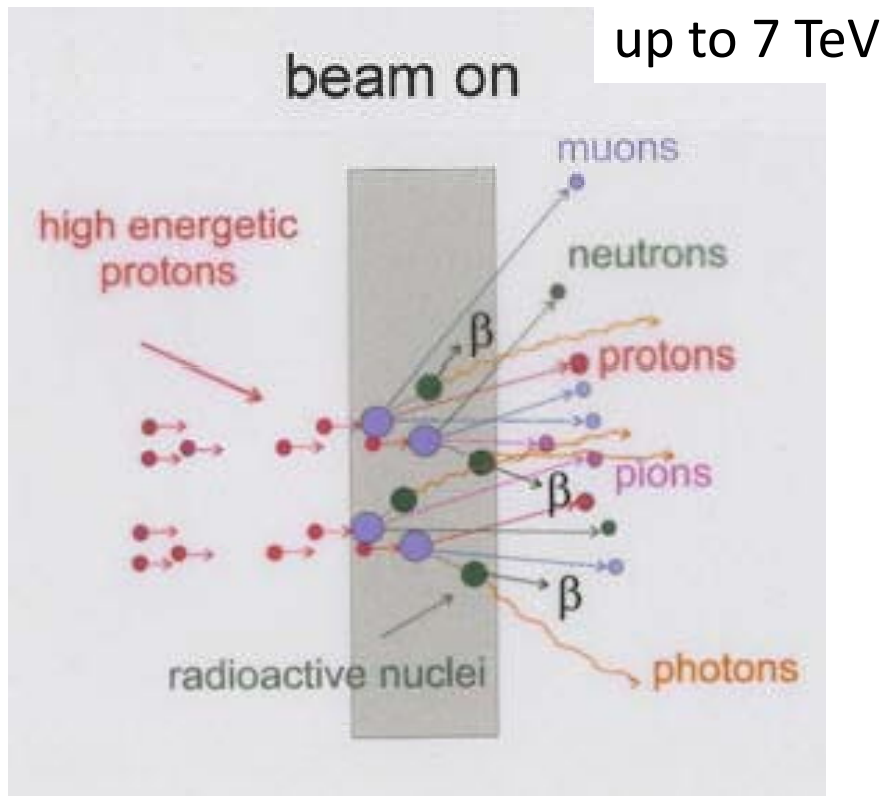
transporting sufficient energy to ionise directly and indirectly atoms and molecules

The interaction between ionising radiation and matter results in an energy absorption and a subsequent potential radiation damage of matter.

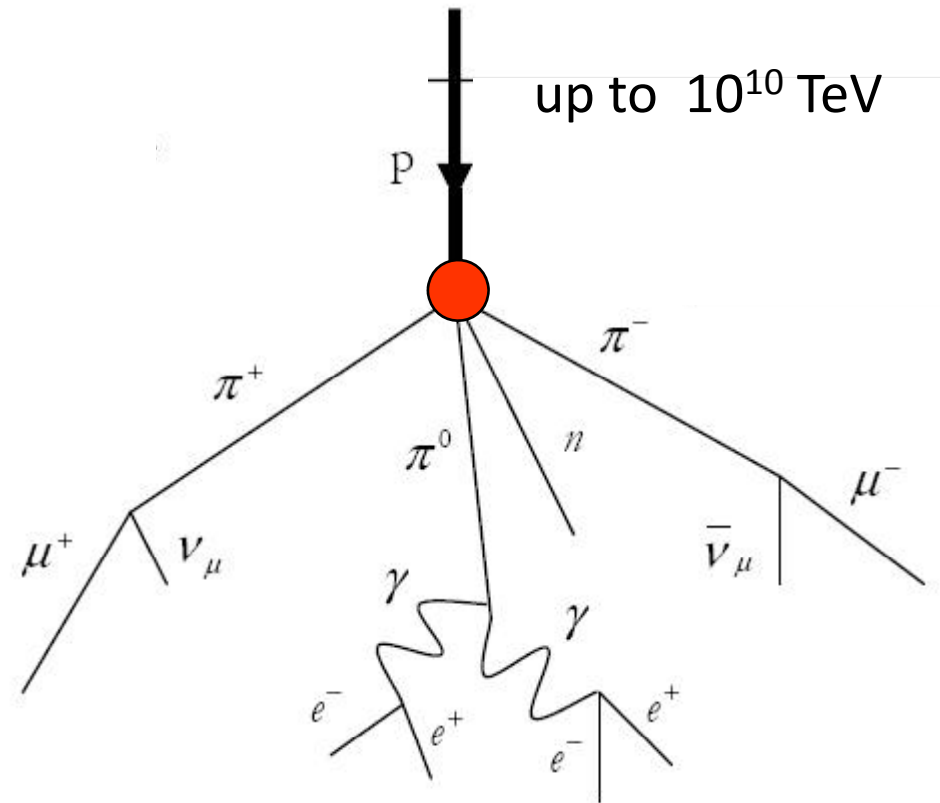
Ionising radiation is part of the nature and of human activities in medicine, research, industry, energy production and military



# Prompt Ionising Radiation



hadron accelerator



cosmos

high energy, mixed radiation fields

# Radiation Showers

Radiation showers development after impact of **ONE** hadron (120 GeV/c )  
on a copper target

Hadronic shower only

Hadronic shower + photons

# Particle fields (SPS)

Attenuation of radiation  
 $H_0$  (point source):

$$H = \frac{H_0 * e^{-d/l}}{R^2}$$

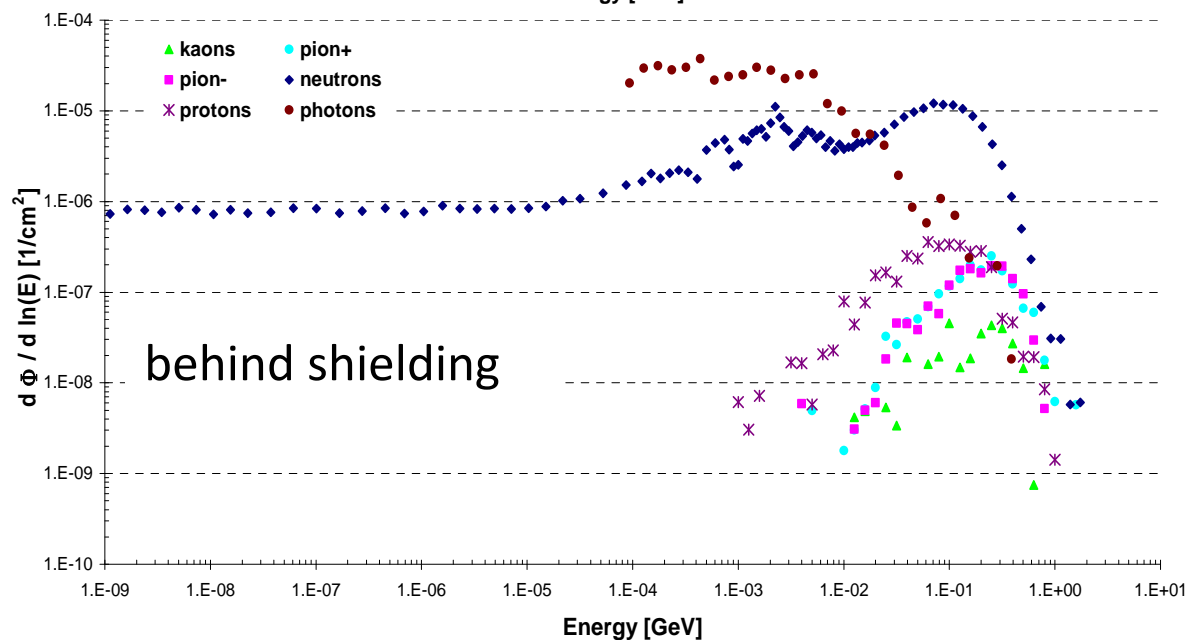
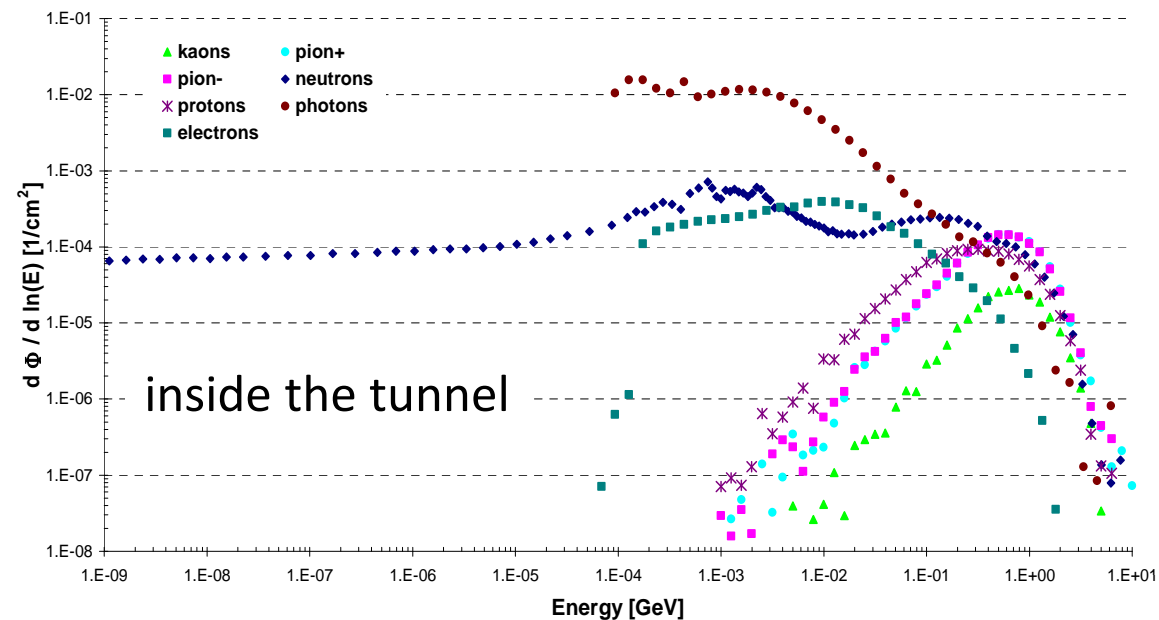
d: shielding thickness

R: distance

l: attenuation free path

concrete: l = 40 cm

iron: l = 17 cm





# Ambient Dose Equivalent Behind Shielding

	Max. energy	Fraction of ambient dose equivalent
• Neutrons	few GeV	~ 80 %
• Protons	several 100 MeV	
• Charged Pions	"	~ 20 %
• Muons	"	
• Photons	10 MeV	
• Electrons + Positrons	10 MeV	

# Ionising Radiation due to Radioactivity

**Radioactivity:** the phenomenon whereby atoms undergo spontaneous random disintegration, usually accompanied by the emission of ionising radiation. The rate at which this nuclear transformations occurs in matter containing radionuclides is called **activity**. The equation is

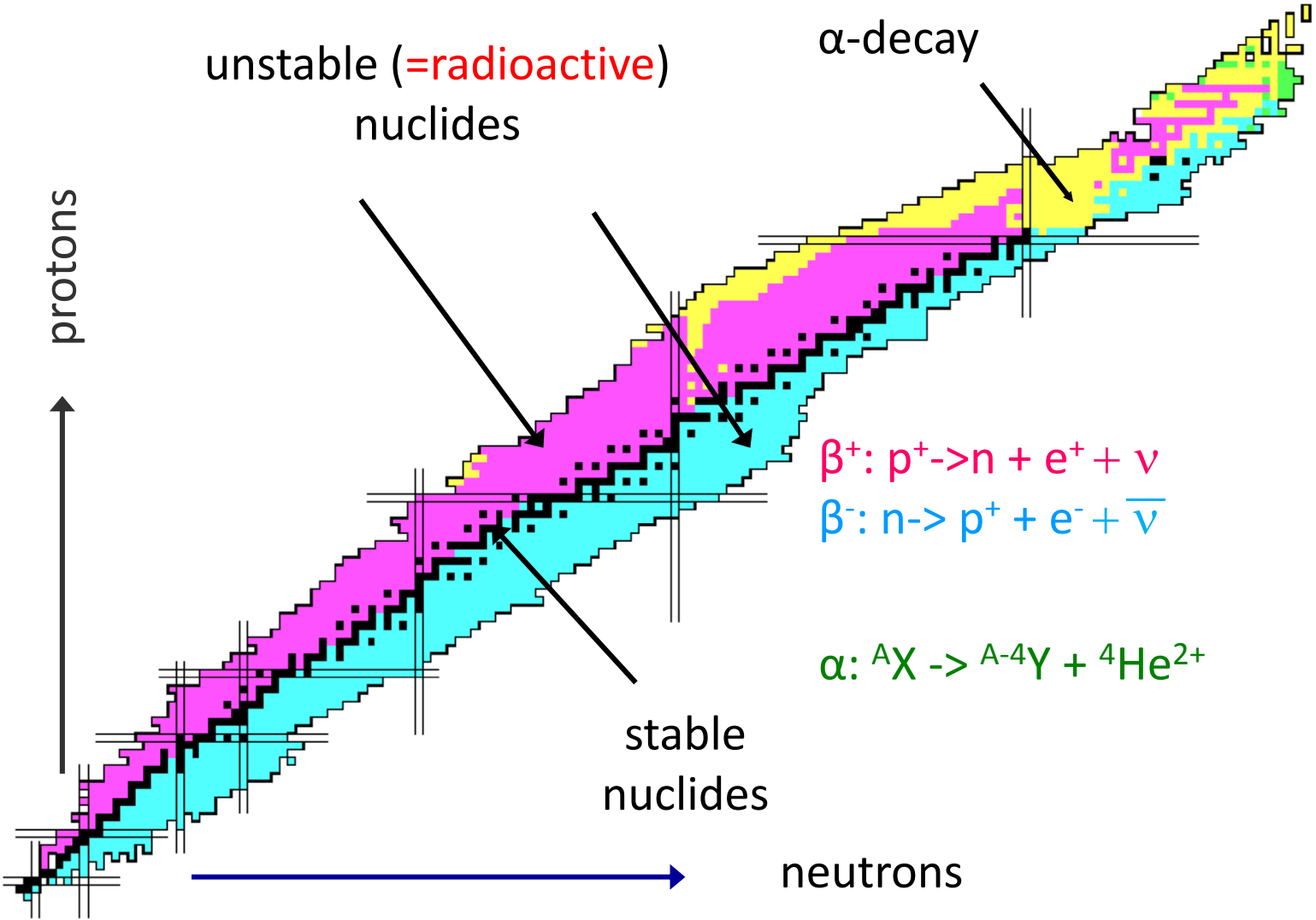
$$A(t) = -dN/dt [Bq] \qquad 1 Bq = s^{-1} \qquad [1 Ci = 3.7 \times 10^{10} Bq]$$

where N is the number of nuclei of the radionuclide, and hence the rate of change of N with time is negative.

The radioactive **half-life** of a radionuclide is the time necessary for half of the nuclei present in the sample to decay

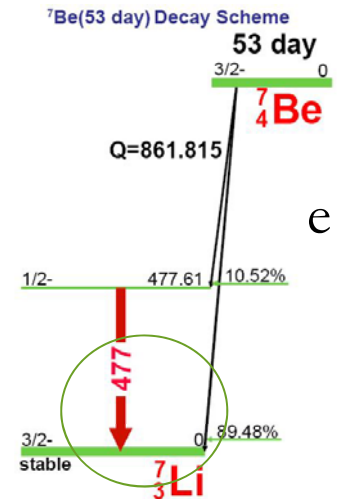
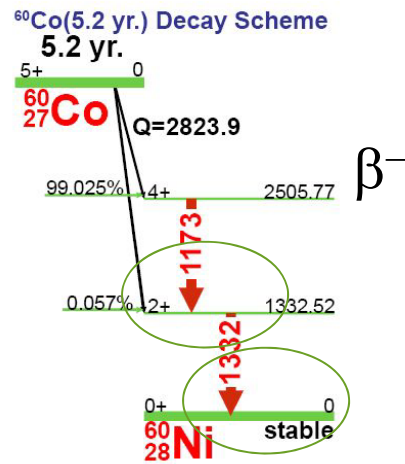
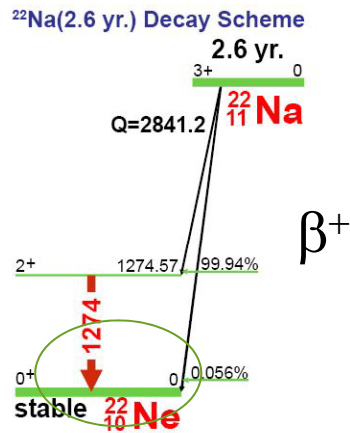
Radionuclides are either natural occurring or produced by nuclear reactions (artificial radionuclides).

# Chart of Nuclei

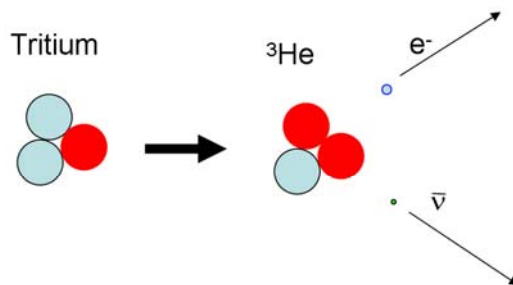


# Radioactivity

$\beta^-$ ,  $\gamma$ -emitter:



pure  $\beta^-$ -emitter:



$\alpha^-$ ,  $\beta^-$  and  $\gamma$  are emitted with end energies up to few MeV

# Terrestrial Radionuclides

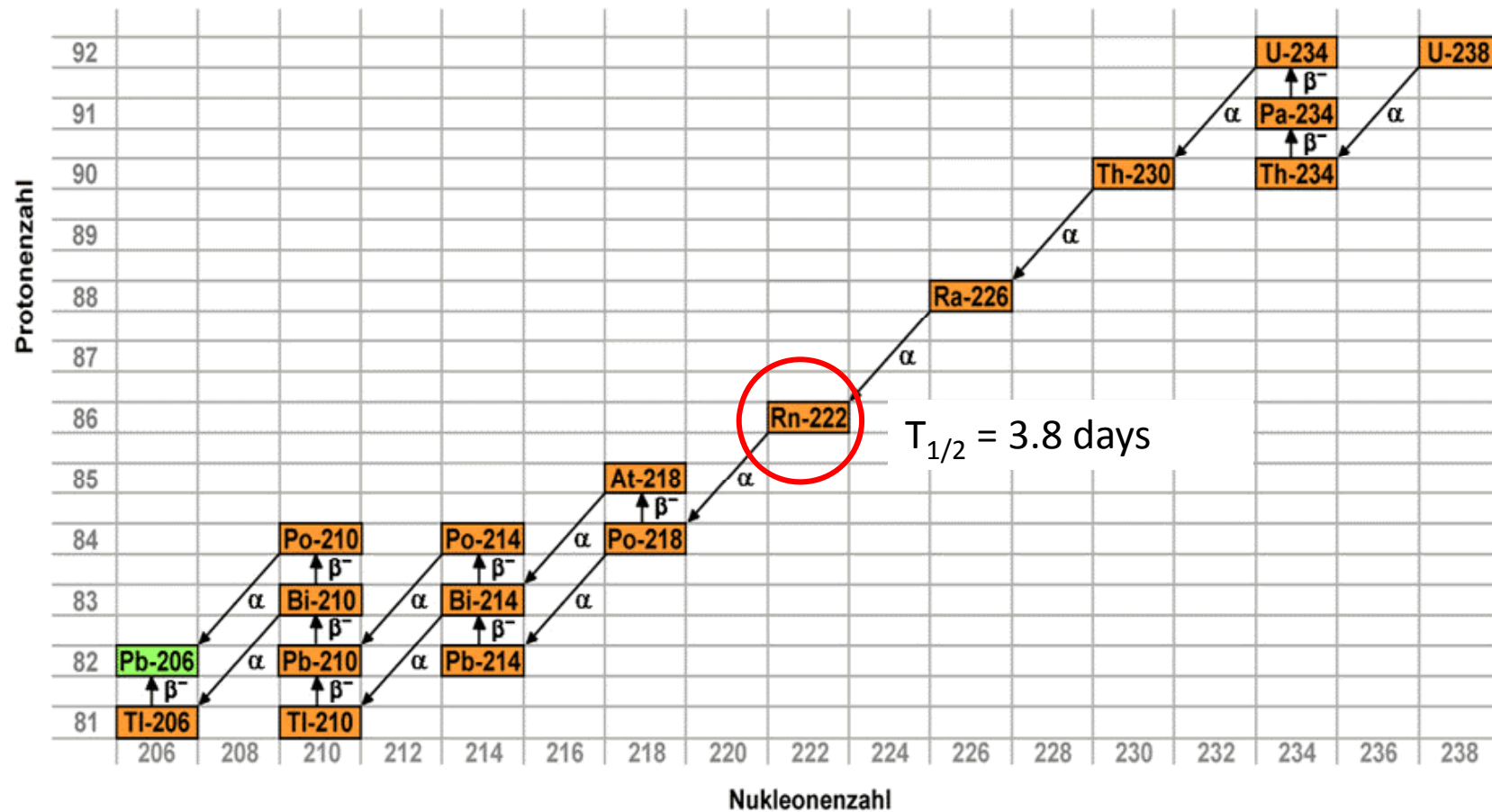
During the creation of the earth, terrestrial nuclides had been incorporated into the earth crust ( $T_{1/2}$  some millions of years)

Nuclide	Symbol	Half-life	
<b>Uranium-235</b>	$^{235}\text{U}$	$7.04 \times 10^8 \text{ a}$	0.72% of natural Uranium
<b>Uranium-238</b>	$^{238}\text{U}$	$4.47 \times 10^9 \text{ a}$	99.3% of natural Uranium
<b>Thorium-232</b>	$^{232}\text{Th}$	$1.41 \times 10^{10} \text{ a}$	
<b>Potassium-40</b>	$^{40}\text{K}$	$1.28 \times 10^9 \text{ a}$	Earth: 0.037-1.1 Bq/g

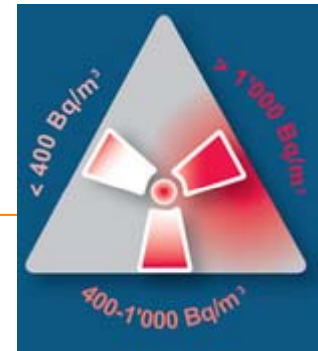
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# Uranium-Radium Decay Chain



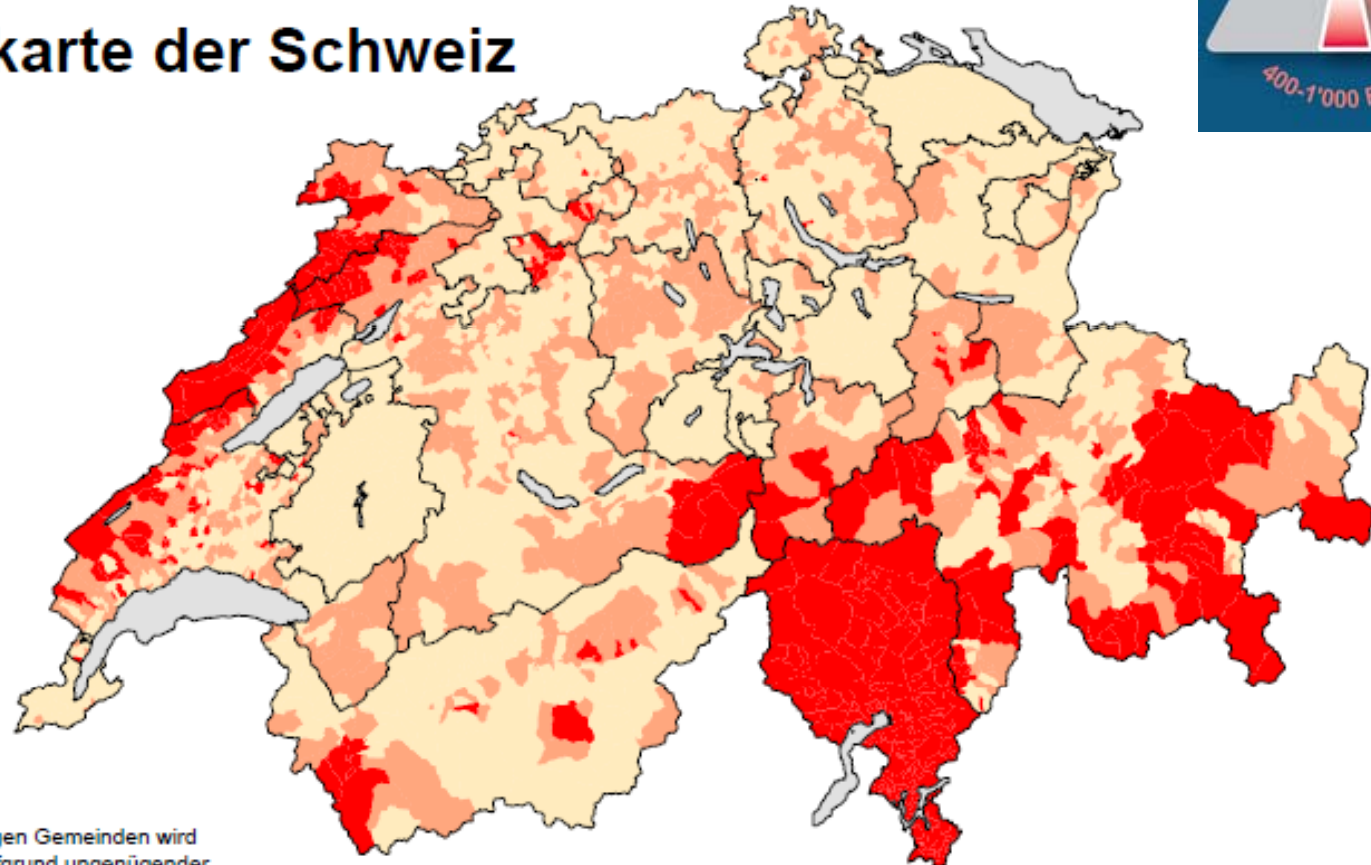
# Radon Map of Switzerland



## Radonkarte der Schweiz

Radonrisiko\*:

- gering
- mittel
- hoch



Stand: Februar 2010

\* Bemerkung: in einigen Gemeinden wird das Radonrisiko aufgrund ungenügender Messungen geschätzt (siehe "Suchmaschine nach Gemeinde" unter [www.ch-radon.ch](http://www.ch-radon.ch)).

Quelle: GG25 @Swisstopo

# Cosmogenic Radionuclides

Cosmogenic nuclides are produced by nuclear reaction of cosmic particles with stable nuclei of the atmosphere

Nuclide	Symbol	Half-life	Nuclear Reaction
Carbon-14	$^{14}\text{C}$	5730 a	e.g. $^{14}\text{N}(n,p)^{14}\text{C}$ ;
Tritium-3	$^3\text{H}$	12.3 a	Interaction of cosmic radiation with N or O; $^6\text{Li}(n,\alpha)^3\text{H}$
Beryllium-7	$^7\text{Be}$	53.28 d	Interaction of cosmic radiation with N or O

More cosmogenic radionuclides:  
 $^{10}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{26}\text{Al}$ ,  $^{36}\text{Cl}$ ,  $^{80}\text{Kr}$ , ...

Note:  $^7\text{Be}$  and Rn decay products are always found in intake filter



...and we find radioactivity in our body

<b>Nuclide</b>	<b>Total activity in human body (~ 70 kg)</b>
<b>Uranium</b>	~ 1 Bq
<b>Thorium</b>	~ 0.1 Bq
<b>Potassium 40</b>	~ 4 - 5 kBq
<b>Radium</b>	~ 1 Bq
<b>Carbon 14</b>	~ 15 kBq
<b>Tritium</b>	~ 20 Bq

...e.g. the more muscles, the more Potassium 40..

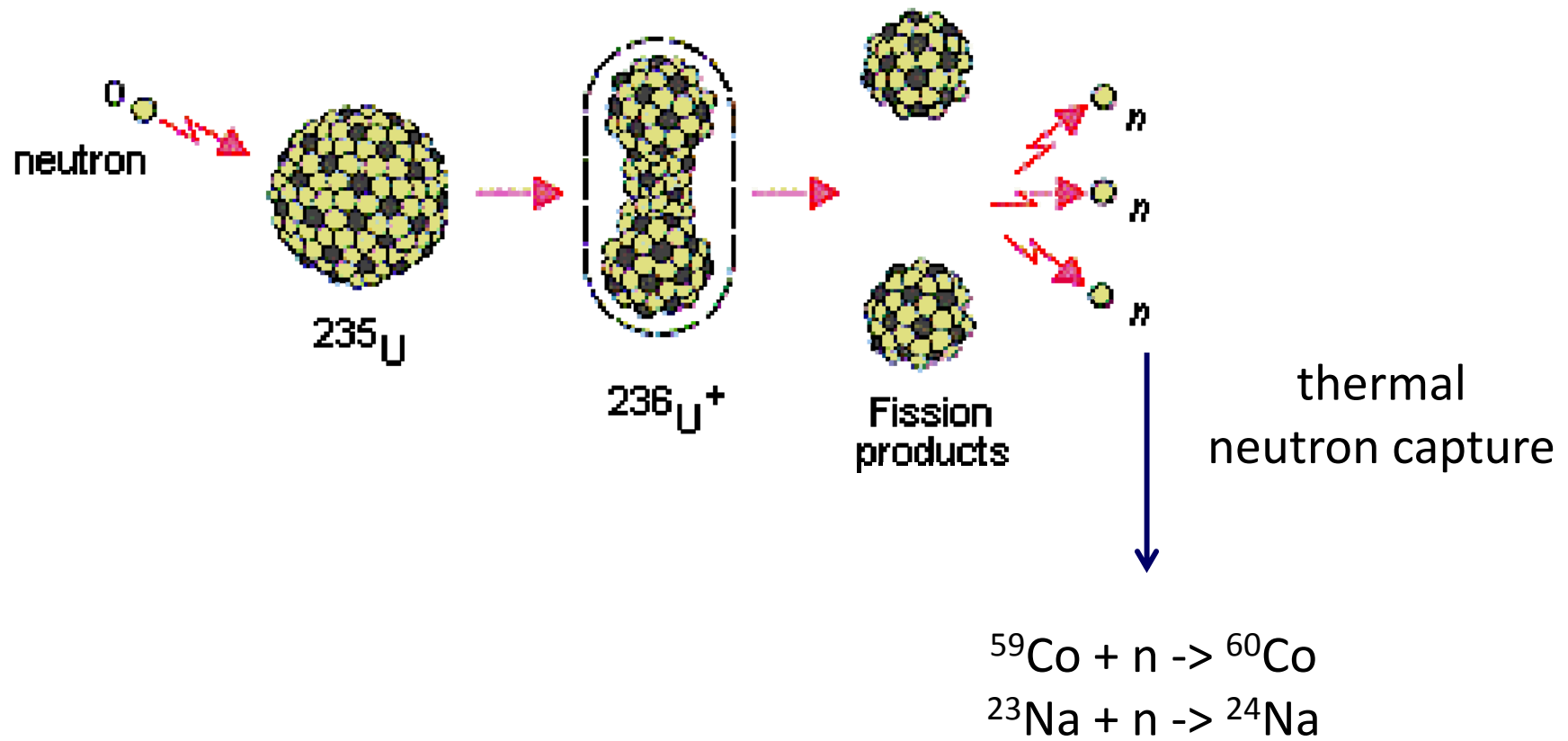


# Artificial Radioactivity

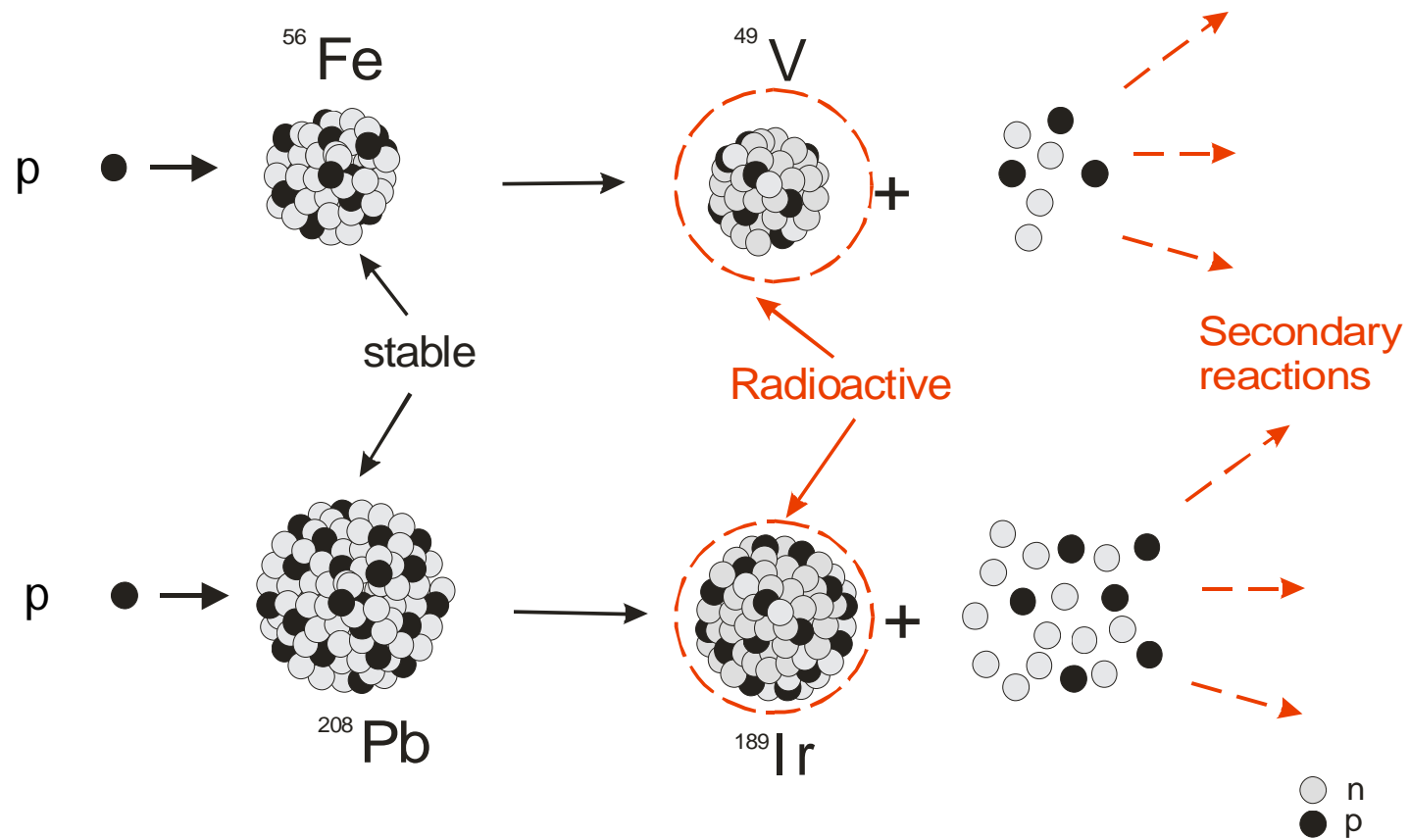
## Reaction Mechanism:

- *Fusion*
- Fission
- High Energy Nuclear Reaction (Spallation)
- more hadronic nuclear reactions (p,n), (n, $\gamma$ ), ....
- Gamma induced nuclear reaction ( $\gamma$ ,n)

# Fission



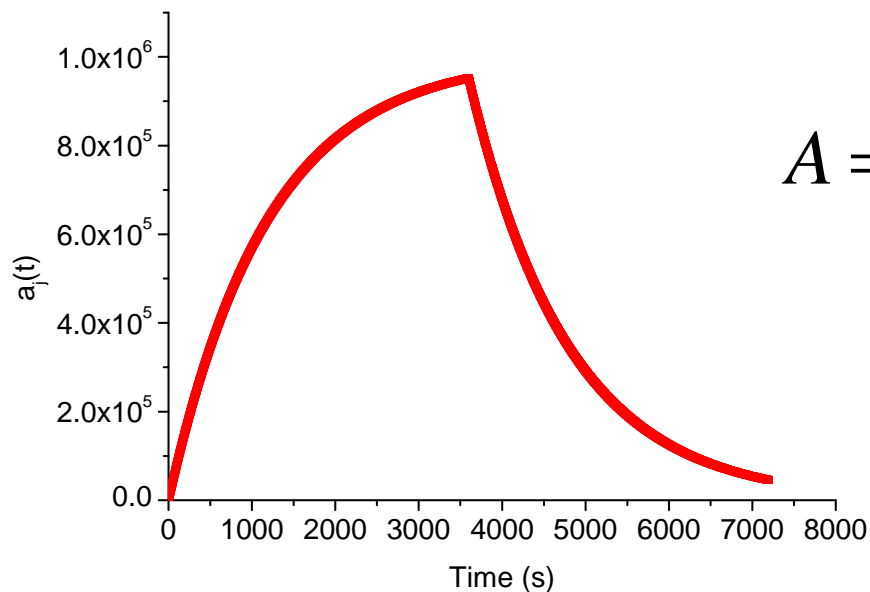
# Spallation



# Production and Decay of Radionuclides

Rule-of-thumb (probably very obvious):

the shorter the half-life, the faster the build-up, the faster the decay



$$A = A_s (1 - e^{-t_{irr}/\tau}) e^{-t_{dec}/\tau}$$

$t_{irr}$  irradiation time

$t_{dec}$  decay time

$\tau$  mean lifetime

$\ln(2) = \tau \times T_{1/2}$

It takes about 5 half-lives to reach saturation of activity

# When is a material radioactive?

- **Activity**

- *Specific activity* exceeds the CERN exemption limits as given in Table 2 (column 2) of EDMS doc 942170

**AND**

- *total activity* exceeds the CERN exemption limits as given in Table 2 (column 2) of EDMS doc 942170.

**OR**

- **Dose rate**

- Ambient dose equivalent rate measured in 10 cm distance of the item exceeds 0.1 uSv/h after subtraction of the background.
  - Slightly radioactive < 10 uSv/h
  - Radioactive < 100 uSv/h
  - Highly radioactive > 100 uSv/h

**OR**

- **Surface contamination**

- 1 Bq/cm<sup>2</sup> in case of unidentified beta- and gamma emitters and 0.1 Bq/cm<sup>2</sup> in case of unidentified alpha emitters. Once a radio-nuclide has been identified then the CS-values given in Table 4 of EDMS doc 942170 can be used.

# When is a material radioactive?

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RÉFÉRENCE

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Operational Radiation Protection Rule

**Exemption and Clearance of Material at CERN**

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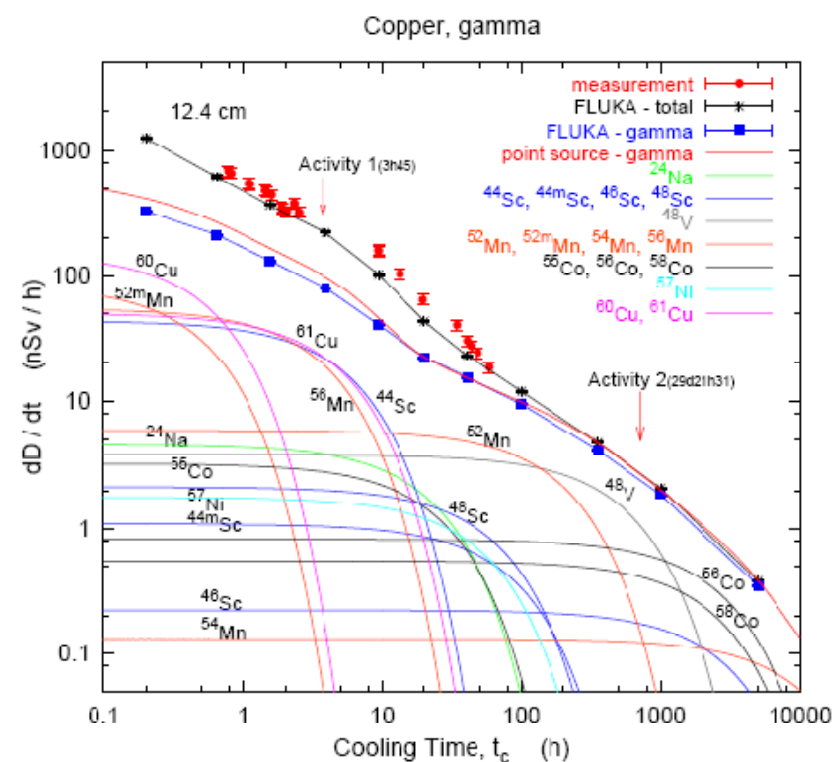
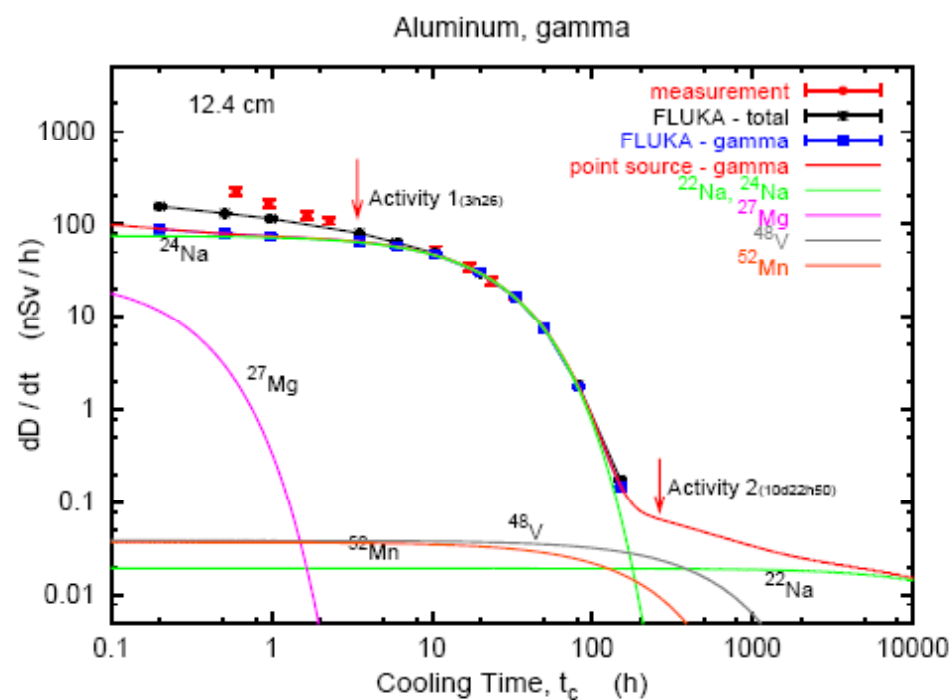
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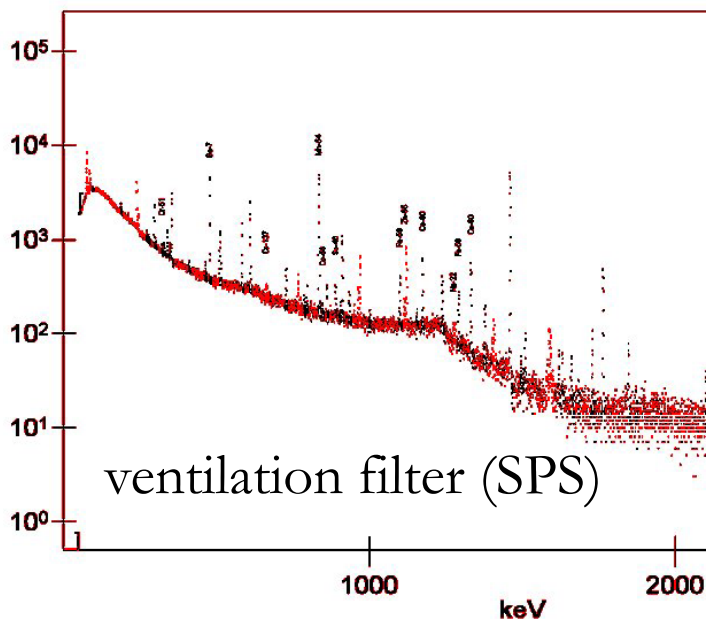
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V-47	2.00E+05	2.00E+05
V-48	5.00E+03	1.00E+03
V-49	6.00E+05	6.00E+05
Cr-48	5.00E+04	5.00E+04
Cr-49	2.00E+05	2.00E+05
Cr-51	3.00E+05	1.00E+05
Mn-51	1.00E+05	1.00E+03
Mn-52	6.00E+03	1.00E+03
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Mn-53	3.00E+05	1.00E+05
Mn-54	1.00E+04	1.00E+02
Mn-56	4.00E+04	1.00E+03
Fe-52	7.00E+03	1.00E+03
Fe-55	3.00E+04	3.00E+04
Fe-59	6.00E+03	1.00E+03
Fe-60	9.00E+01	9.00E+01
Co-55	9.00E+03	1.00E+03
Co-56	4.00E+03	1.00E+02
Co-57	5.00E+04	1.00E+03
Co-58	1.00E+04	1.00E+03
mCo-58	4.00E+05	4.00E+05
Co-60	1.00E+03	1.00E+02
mCo-60	6.00E+06	1.00E+05
Co-61	1.00E+05	1.00E+04
mCo-62	2.00E+05	1.00E+03
Ni-56	1.00E+04	1.00E+04
Ni-57	1.00E+04	1.00E+04
Ni-59	2.00E+05	1.00E+05
Ni-63	7.00E+04	7.00E+04
Ni-65	6.00E+04	1.00E+03
Ni-66	3.00E+03	3.00E+03
Cu-60	1.00E+05	1.00E+05
Cu-61	8.00E+04	8.00E+04
Cu-62	1.00E+04	1.00E+04
Cu-64	8.00E+04	1.00E+04
Cu-66	3.00E+03	3.00E+03
Cu-67	3.00E+04	3.00E+04
Zn-62	1.00E+04	1.00E+03
Zn-63	1.00E+05	1.00E+04

# Activation of Material at Hadron Accelerators

Beam losses result in the activation of material  
(beam line components, tunnel structure, etc.)



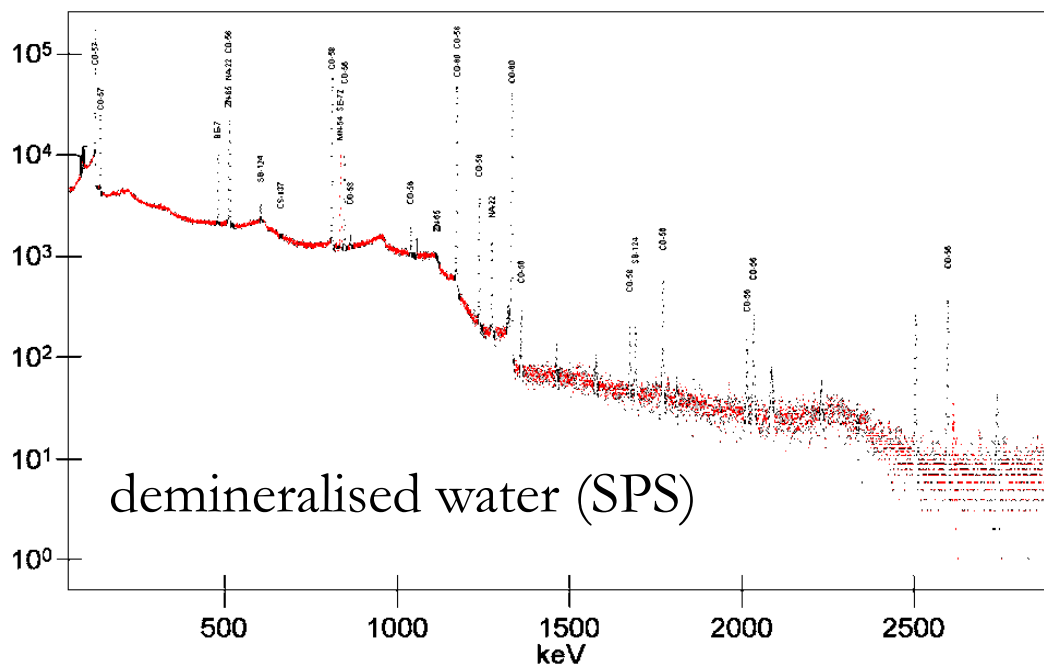




Nuclide	Halflife
Be-7	53 D
Na-22	3 Y
Sc-46	84 D
Cr-51	28 D
Mn-54	312 D
Co-56	77 D
Fe-59	45 D
Co-60	5 Y
Zn-65	244 D

$\gamma$ -emitter only

**Activation**  
of air, gas, water,  
cooling liquids at  
hadron accelerators



Nuclide	Halflife
BE-7	53 D
NA-22	3 Y
CO-56	77 D
CO-57	271 D
CO-58	71 D
CO-60	5 Y
ZN-65	244 D
SB-124	60 D

$\gamma$ -emitter only

# Radiological Quantities and Units

**Absorbed Dose D:**

Unit:

energy absorbed per mass  
1 Gy = 1 J/kg  
[1 Gy = 100 rad]

$$D = \frac{1}{m} \int E dV$$

**Equivalent Dose H:**

Unit:

absorbed dose of organs weighted by  
the radiation weighting factor  $w_R$  of radiation R:  
1 Sv (=  $w_R \times$  Gy)  
[1 Sv = 100 rem]

$$H_T = \sum_R w_R D_{T,R}$$

**Effective dose E:**

Unit:

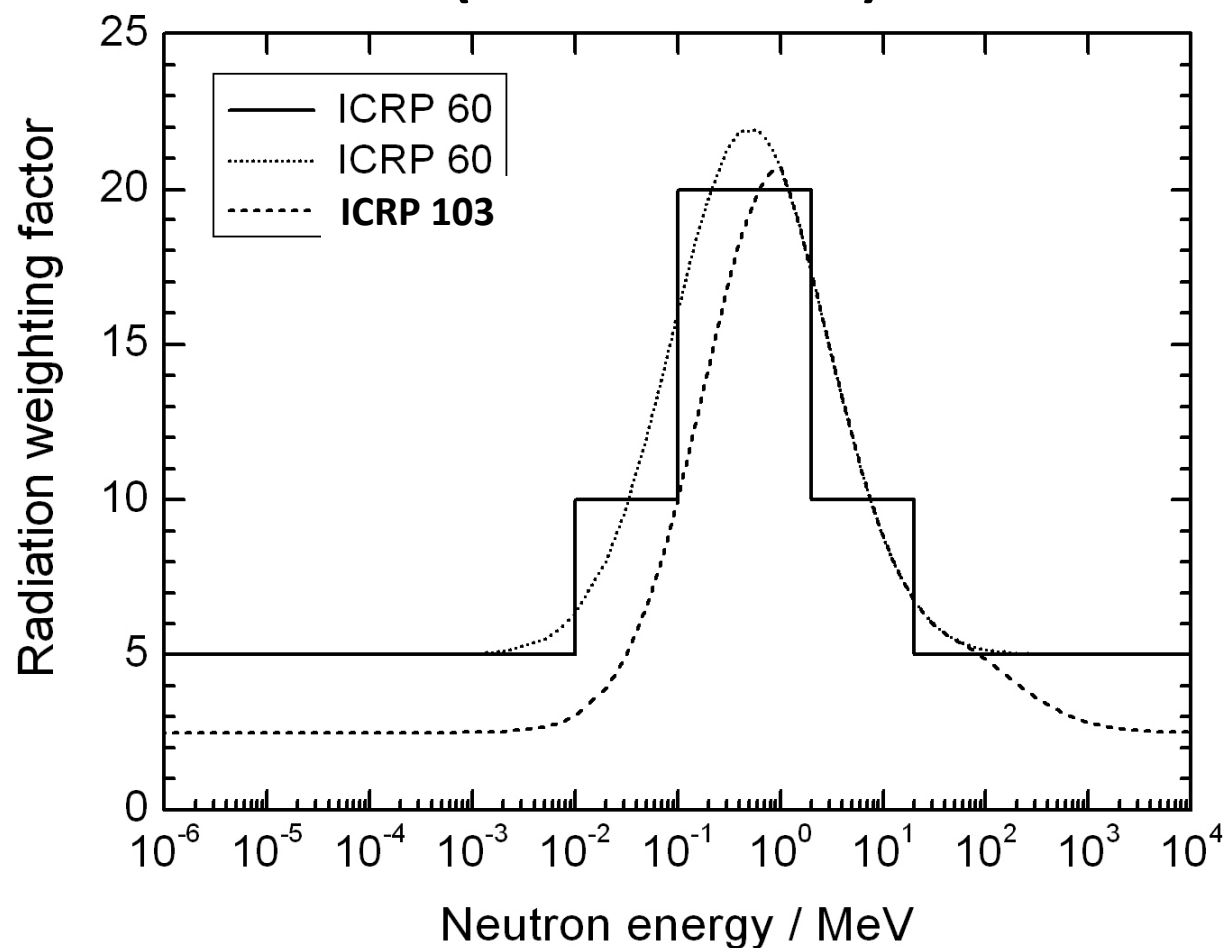
Sum of all equivalent doses weighted  
with the weighting factor  $w_T$  for tissue T  
1Sv

$$E = \sum_T w_T H_T$$

# Radiation Weighting Factors

Type and energy of radiation R	Radiation weighting factor, $w_R$
Photons, all energies	1
Electrons and muons, all energies	1
Neutrons:	
< 10 keV	5
10 to 100 keV	10
> 0.1 to 2 MeV	20
> 2 to 20 MeV	10
> 20 MeV	5
Protons, other than recoil protons, $E > 2$ MeV ICRP 103 (protons and charged pions)	5 (2)
Alpha particles, fission fragments, heavy nuclei	20

# Neutron Radiation Weighting Factors (ICRP 103)



Values for neutrons replaced by a continuous function in ICRP 103 (2007)

# Biological Effects

## Stochastic effects:

no dose threshold (linear function of dose)

increase of probability by 5% per Sv for:

- genetic defects
- cancer

result does not depend on the amount of absorbed dose but the probability of having the effects is proportional to the dose absorbed.

delayed health detriments

## Deterministic effects:

dose received in short time interval  
dose threshold:  $> 500$  mSv

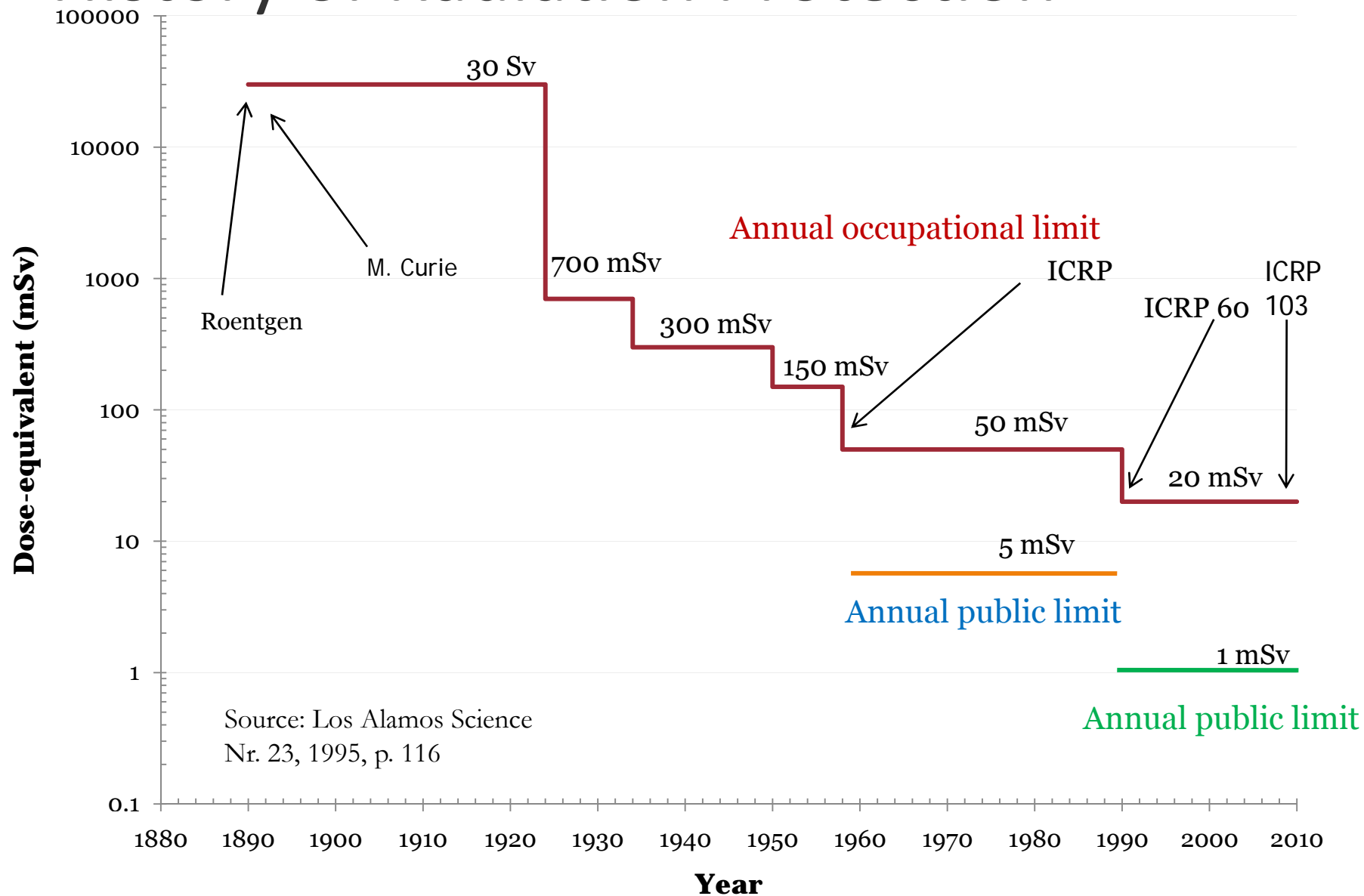
immediate consequences:

- vomiting
- immun deficiency
- erythema and necrose

health detriments are function of the dose

lethal dose: 5 – 7 Sv

# History of Radiation Protection



# General Principles of Radiation Protection Legislation

## 1) Justification

any exposure of persons to ionizing radiation has to be justified

## 2) Limitation

the personal doses have to be kept below the legal limits

## 3) Optimization

the personal doses and collective doses have to be kept as low as reasonable achievable (ALARA)

# Dose Limits

	<i>Dose limits for 12 months consecutive (mSv)</i>		
	Non-occupationally exposed persons	Occupationally exposed persons	
		B	A
EURATOM	< 1	< 6	< 20
Germany/France	< 1	< 6	< 20
CERN	< 1	< 6	< 20
Switzerland	< 1	< 20	



# Radiation Area Classification – One Mean to Limit Doses

Area	Dose limit [year]	Ambient dose equivalent rate		Sign
		Work place	Low occupancy	
Non-designated	1 mSv	0.5 µSv/h	2.5 µSv/h	
Radiation Area	Supervised	6 mSv	3 µSv/h	
	Simple	20 mSv	10 µSv/h	
	Limited Stay	20 mSv	2 mSv/h	
	High Radiation	20 mSv	100 mSv/h	
	Prohibited	20 mSv	> 100 mSv/h	

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Controlled Area

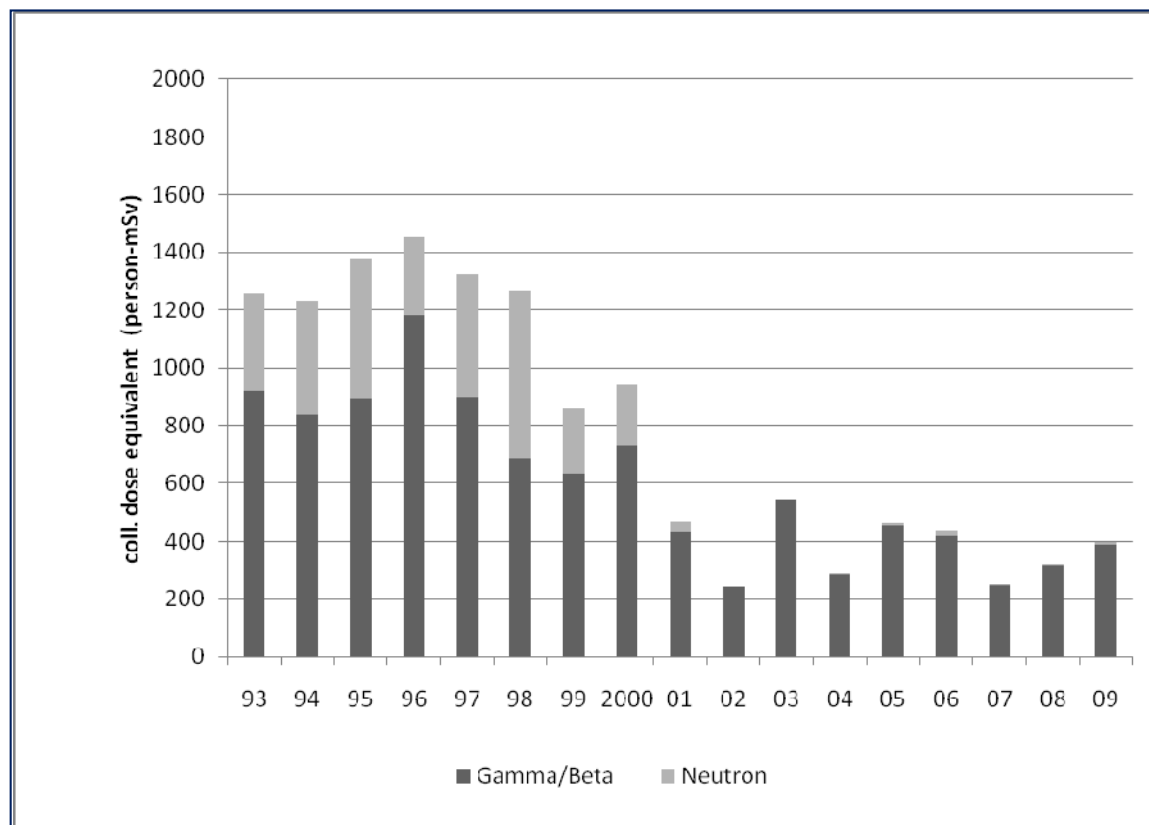
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Safety Instruction S3-GSI1, EDMS  
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# Optimization

- Any justified job is considered as optimized when different appropriate solutions have been evaluated and judged against each other from the radiation protection viewpoint,
- The decisional process leading to the chosen solution can be reconstructed at any time, and the risk of failure and the elimination of radioactive sources have been taken into account.
- Optimisation can be considered as respected if the activity never gives rise to an annual dose of more than 100  $\mu\text{Sv}$  for persons professionally exposed or 10  $\mu\text{Sv}$  for members of the public

# Occupational Exposure of CERN Personnel



Evolution of collective dose equivalent for personnel monitored in person-mSv per year

*The decrease of collective neutron dose equivalent is due to the subtraction of natural background (1999) and to the introduction of a technically more advanced dosimeter (2001).*

# Distribution of Personal Annual Doses

Dose interval (mSv)	Persons Concerned (2005)	Persons Concerned (2006)	Persons Concerned (2007)	Persons Concerned (2008)	Persons Concerned (2009)
0.0	3074	4192	5131	5143	5042
0.1-0.9	1522	1738	898	1020	1219
1.0-1.9	53	37	33	40	39
2.0-2.9	9	17	2	3	13
3.0-3.9	3	4	1	1	2
4.0-4.9	4	2	1	1	-
5.0-5.9	1	-	-	-	-
> 6.0	-	-	-	-	-

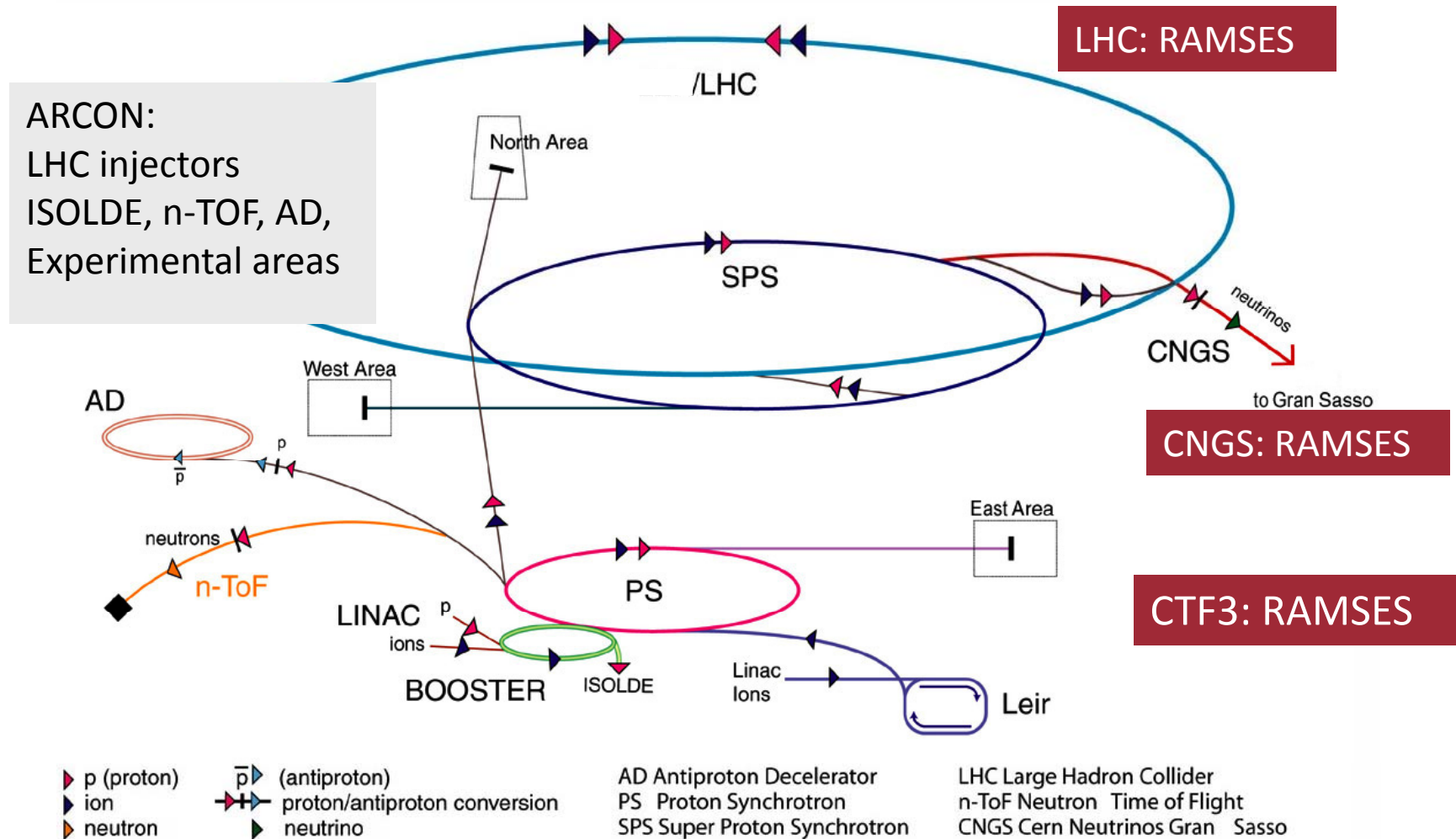
Distribution of personal annual dose equivalent from 2004 on in intervals of increasing personal dose. The majority of monitored persons did not receive any personal dose. In 2009 only 54 persons exceeded an annual dose of 1 mSv.

# CERN Reference Levels

Year	Number of persons with effective doses above 6 mSv/year	Activity
2000	13	Cable changes, beam instrumentation, transport, radiation protection
2001	2	Transport, maintenance of beam instrumentation
2002	2	Transport
2003	5	Transport, radiation protection, Gamma radiography
2004	0	
2005	0	
2006	0	
2007	0	
2008	0	
2009	0	

**Occupationally exposed workers:**  
Annual individual, effective dose should stay below 6 mSv

# Radiation Monitoring - ARCON/RAMSES



# Monitors for Protection of Environment

ARCON and RAMSES use the same/similar type of monitors

Stray radiation  
Monitoring



EPIC



ERC

Water Monitoring station



RWM - RWS

Ventilation  
Monitoring



VGM - VAS

Wind  
monitoring



USA

# Operational Radiation Protection Monitors

ARCON and RAMSES use the same/similar type of monitors



REM counter



Gas filled, high pressure ionization chamber

Beam-on: to protect workers in areas adjacent to accelerator tunnels and experiments against prompt radiation (mainly neutrons,  $E < \text{some GeV}$ )

**Alarm function**



Air filled ionisation chamber

Beam-off: to protect workers during maintenance and repair against radiation fields caused by decay of radionuclides (mainly gammas,  $E < 2.7 \text{ MeV}$ )

**No alarm function**



# Operational Radiation Protection Monitors

## Special monitors



Hand&Foot monitor



Site Gate Monitor



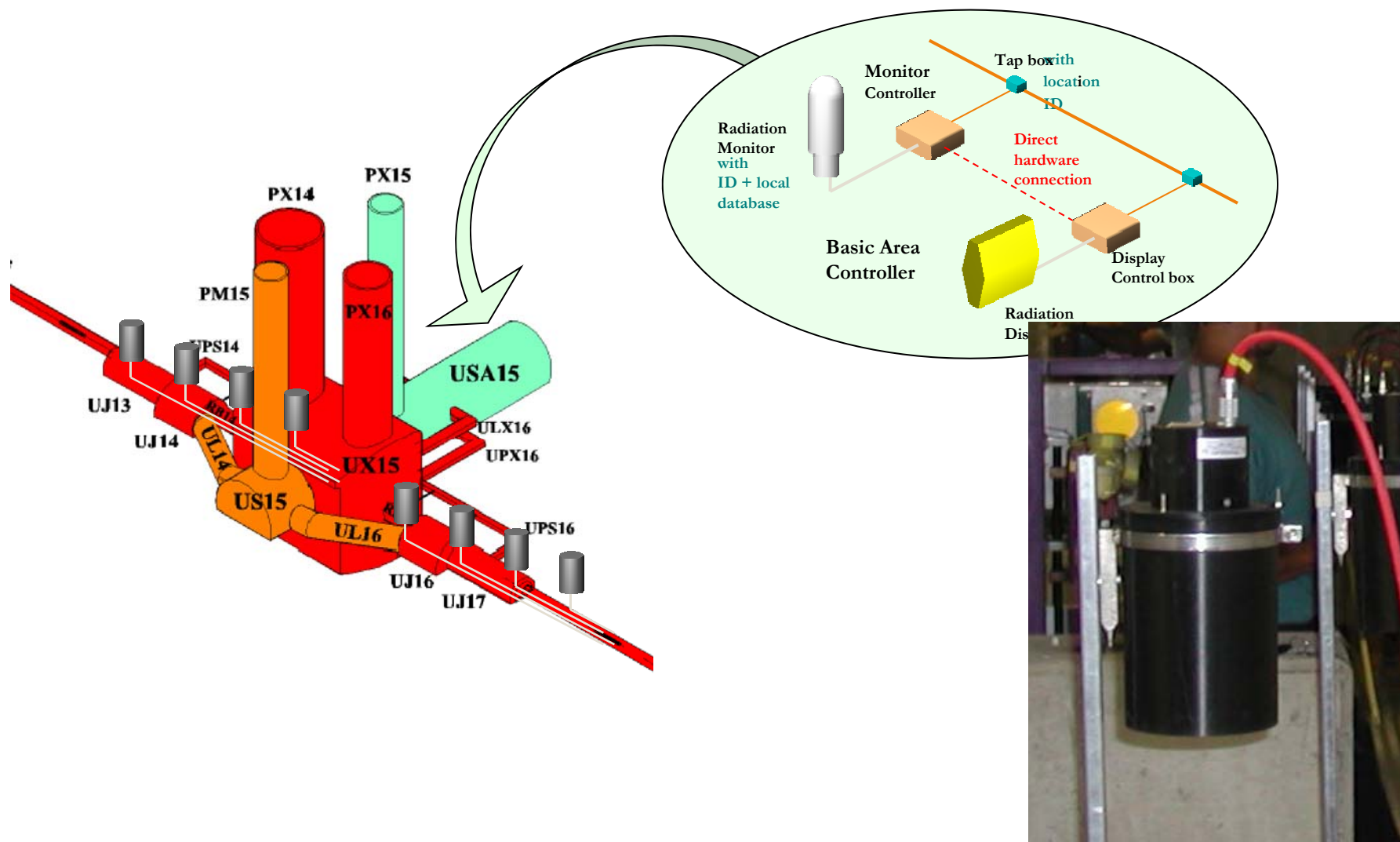
Monitoring station

RAMSES: reading of radiation levels directly available ≠ ARCON

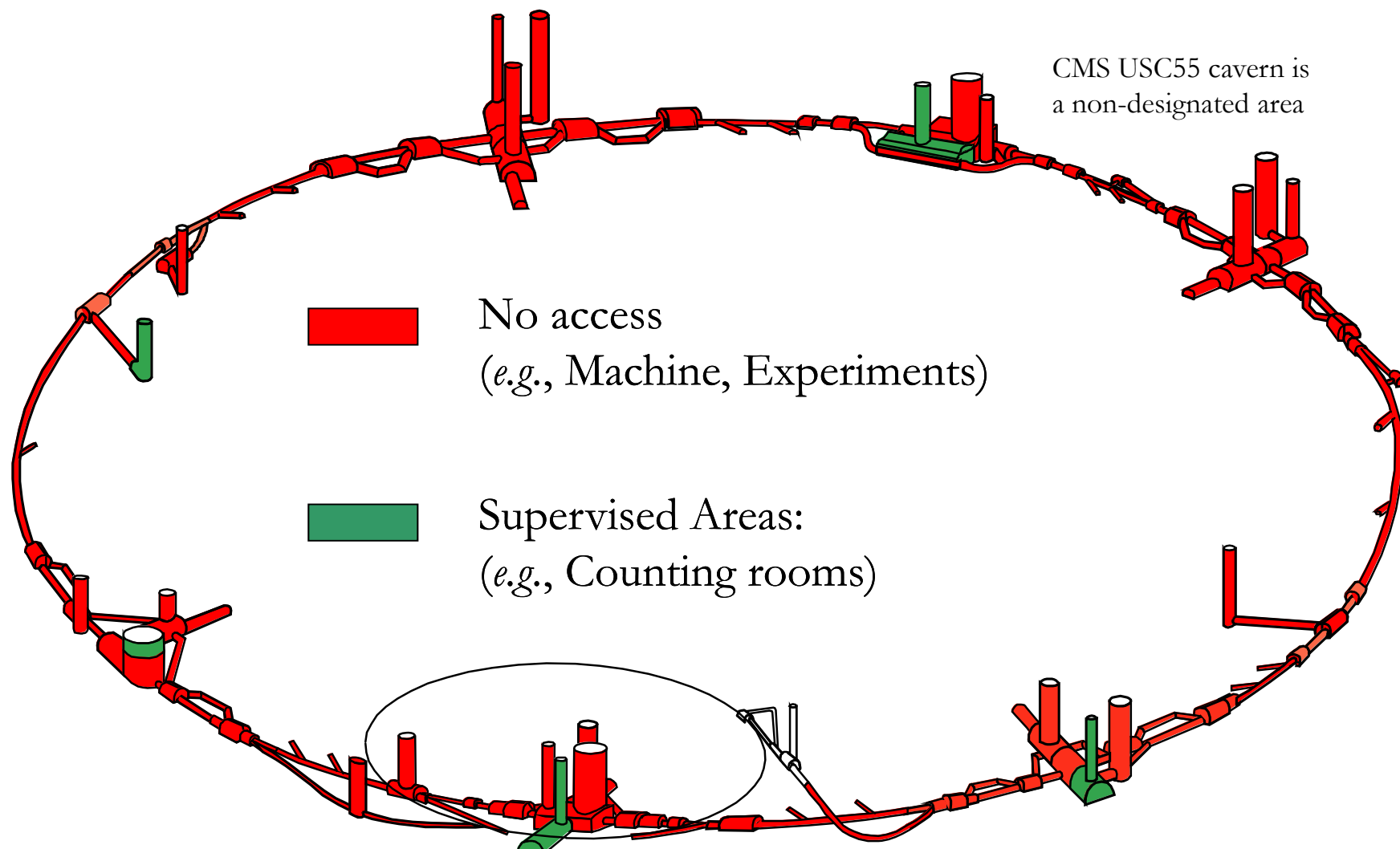


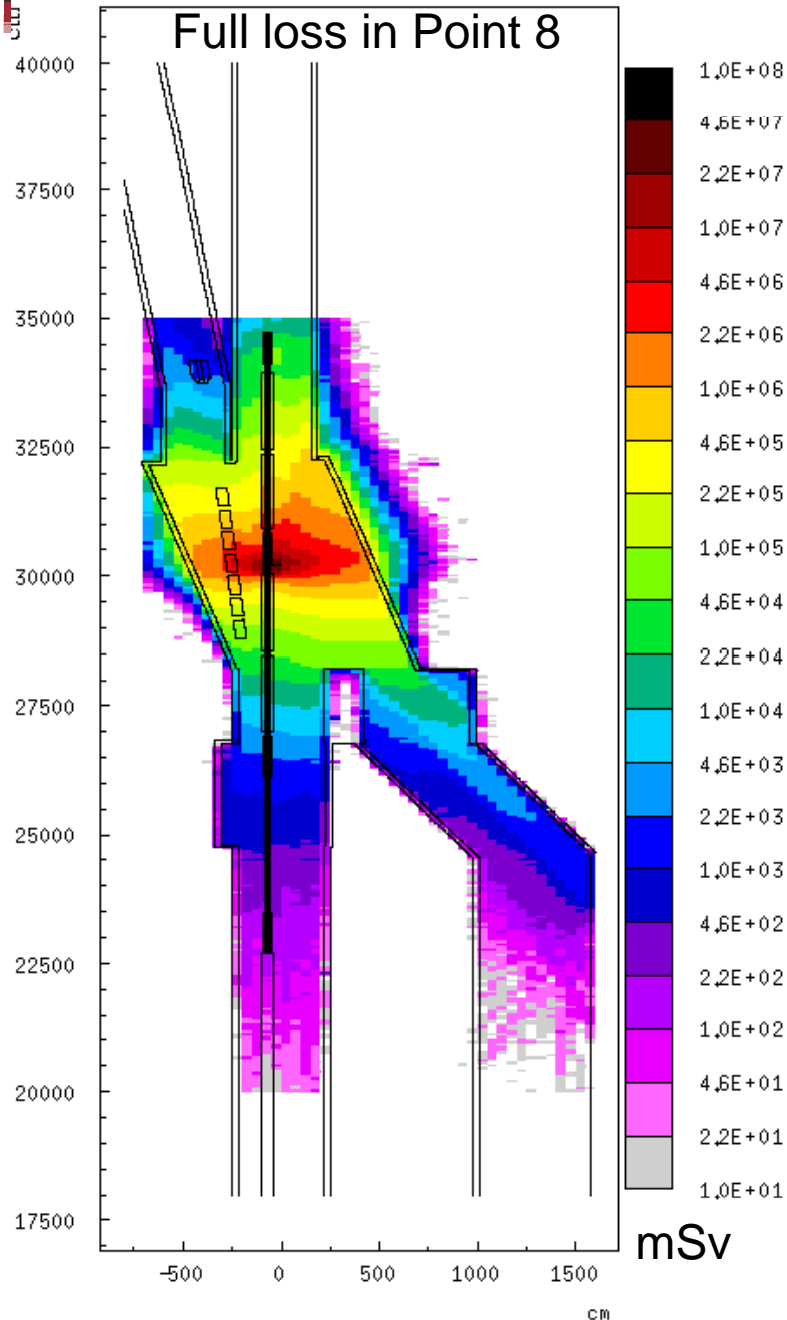
Radiation Alarm Unit (RAMSES)

# LHC Area Monitoring



# LHC Area Classification – Beam On





Distance to beam line (without shielding)	Dose for full beam loss (Gy)	Dose rate at quench limit (Sv/h)	Dose rate caused by beam gas interactions (mSv/h)	
			ultimate	nominal
1 m	5500	10	20	14
2 m	2500	5	10	7
3 m	1200	3.3	7	5
5 m	500	2	4	3

*Remark: all dose and dose rates have to be doubled inside and increased by a factor of 20 % to 30 % outside due to photonic contribution*

Quench limit:  $1E7$  protons/(m s)

Beam gas interactions (ultimate):  $\sim 1E16$ /year (200 days)  $\rightarrow 21400$ /(m s)

Attenuation of concrete:

100 cm concrete  $\rightarrow$  factor  $\sim 10$

200 cm concrete  $\rightarrow$  factor  $\sim 100$

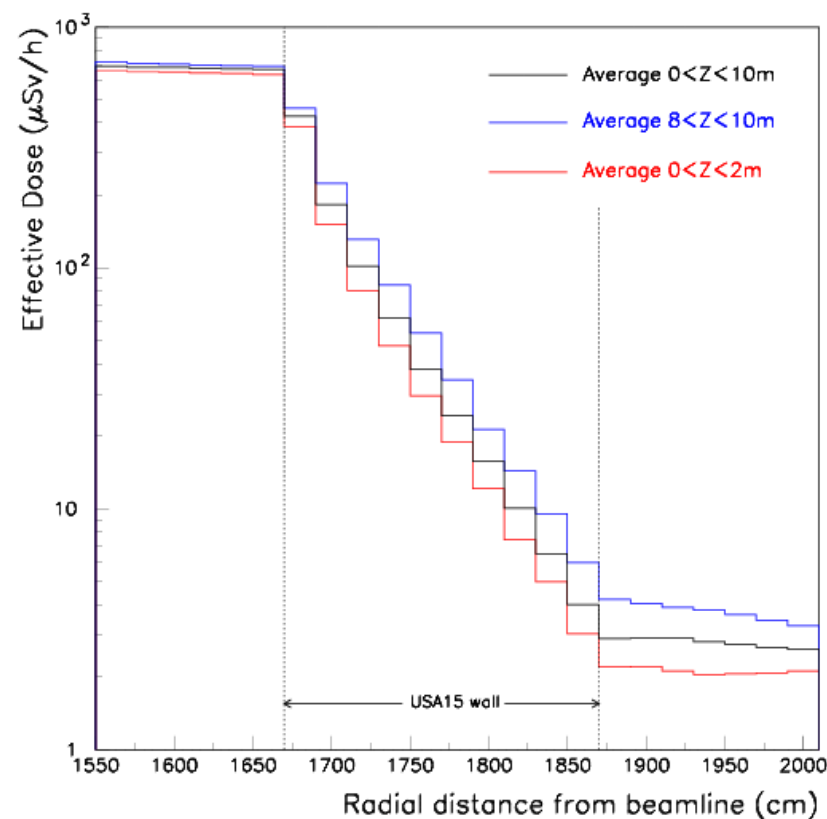
300 cm concrete  $\rightarrow$  factor  $\sim 1000$

Sv/Gy: approximated with 5

# Design of ATLAS shielding

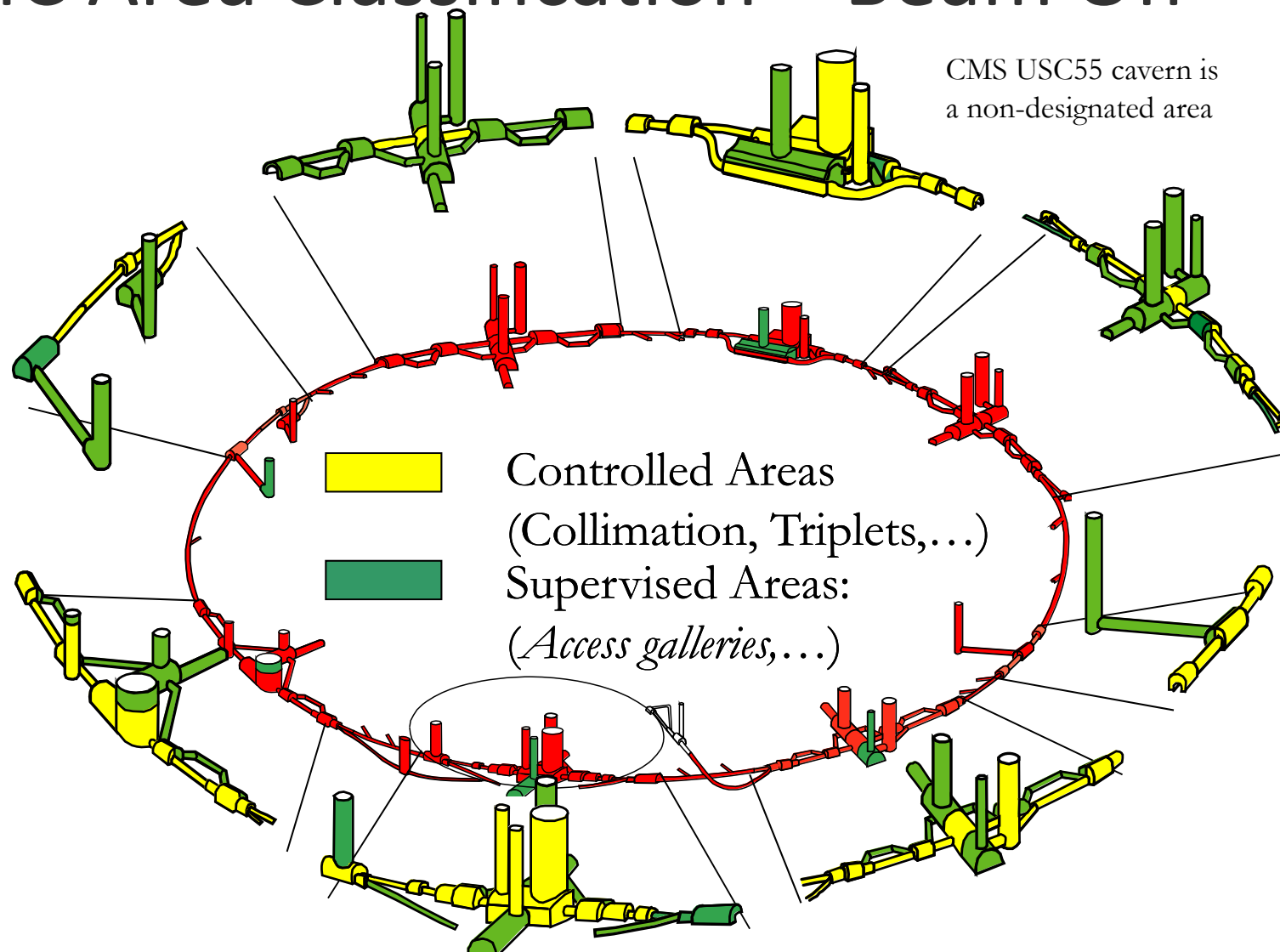
Effect of trigger holes is small ( $\sim 15\%$ ).  
When these holes are filled their impact will be even smaller.

Dose rate varies in USA15 along the wall. Worst case are  $\sim 4 \mu\text{Sv/h}$ , and  $\sim 2 \mu\text{Sv/h}$  in the central region where the trigger cable ducts are located.



Courtesy: Ian Dawson

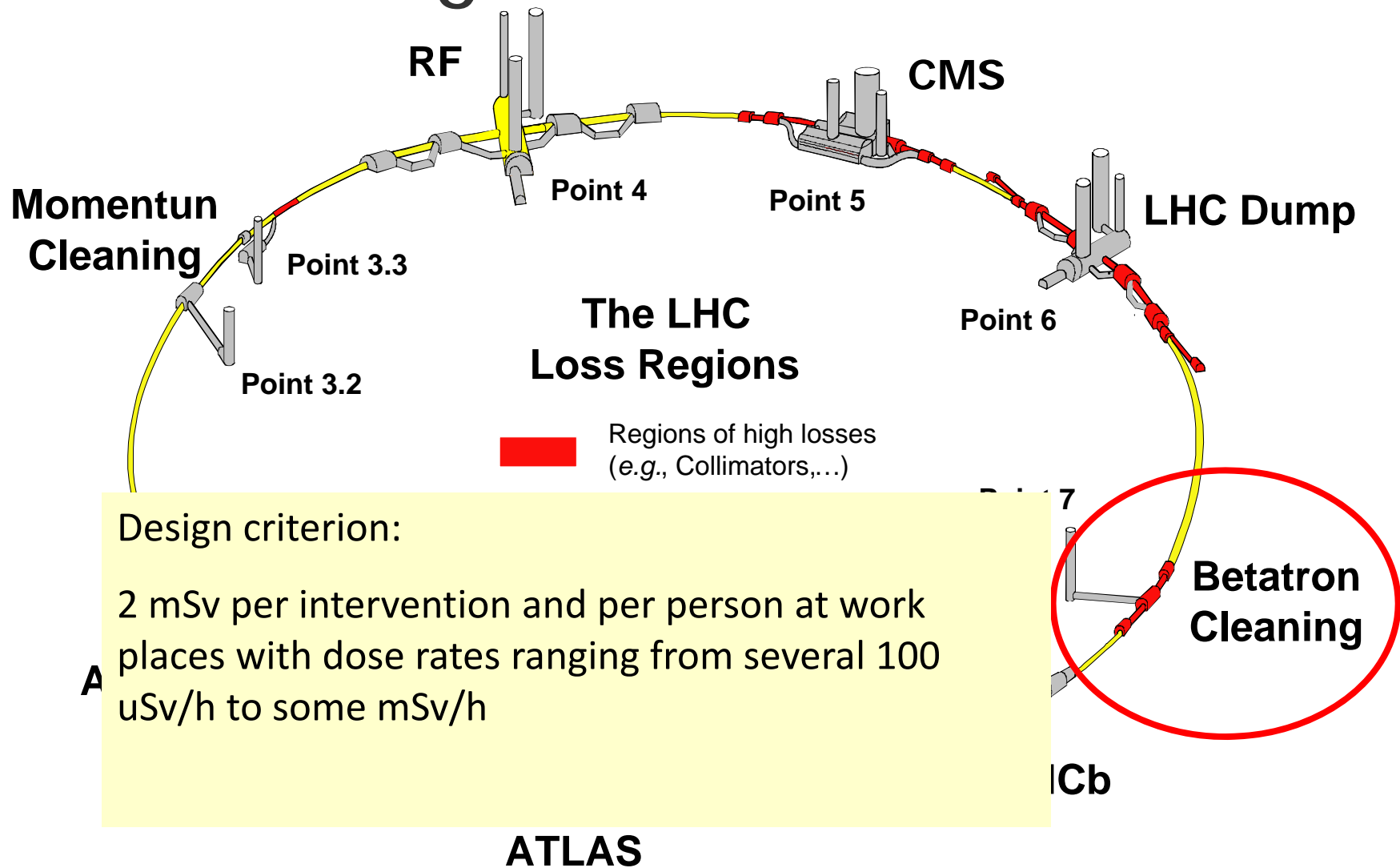
# LHC Area Classification – Beam Off



# Future Critical Regions of LHC

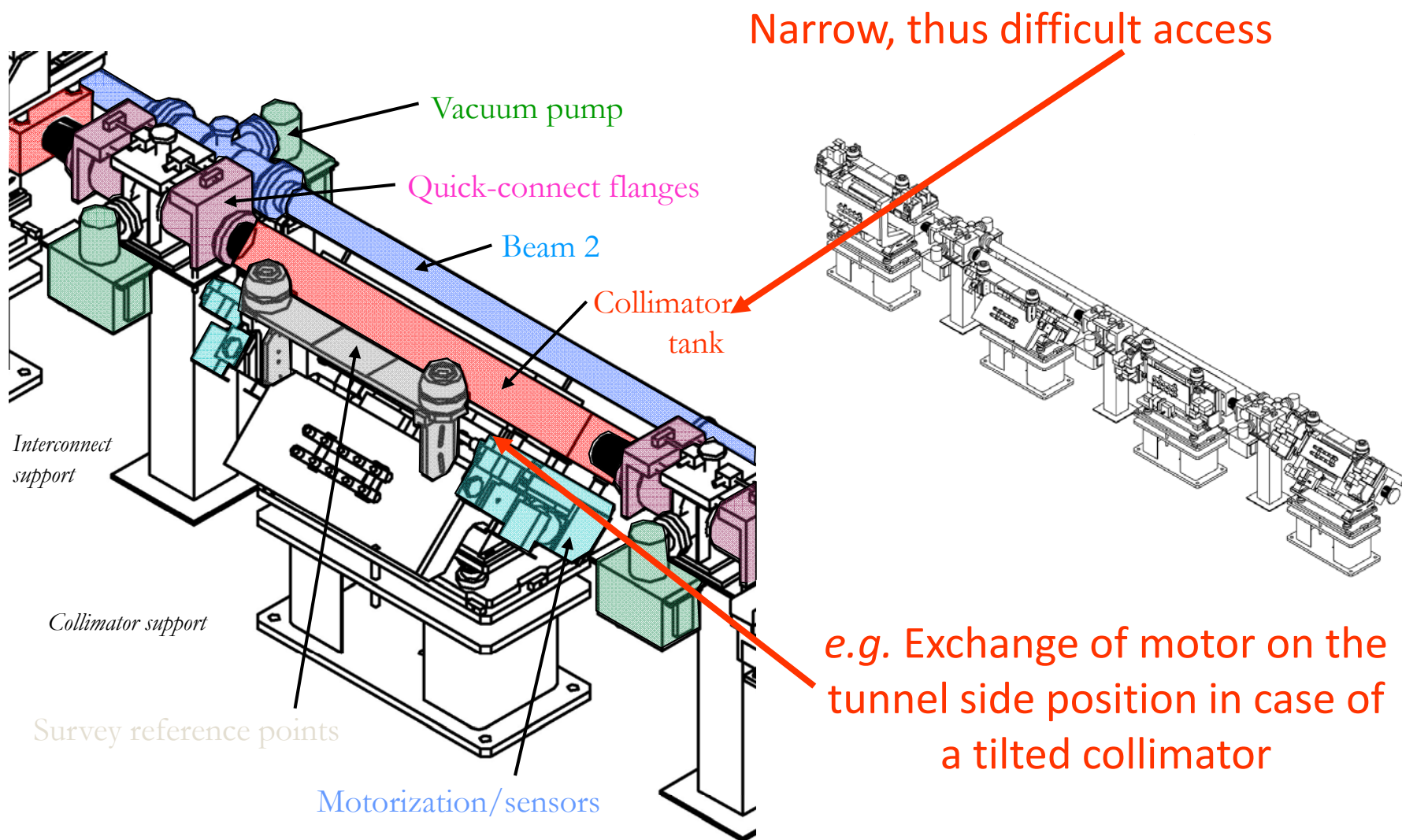
- Momentum and betatron cleaning regions at Points 3 and 7
- Beam dump caverns
- TCDQ/TCDS diluter system at Point 6
- TAS collimators in the ATLAS and CMS interfaces
- TAN neutral particle absorbers at Points 1 and 5
- Low- $\beta$  regions at Points 1 and 5
- Dispersion suppressor regions at Points 1 and 5

# Critical Regions





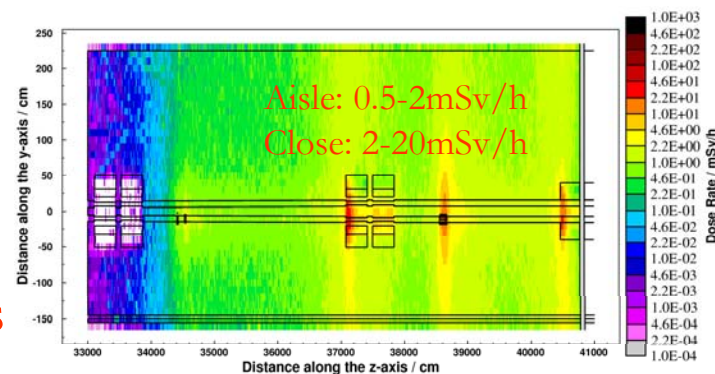
# How does it look ?



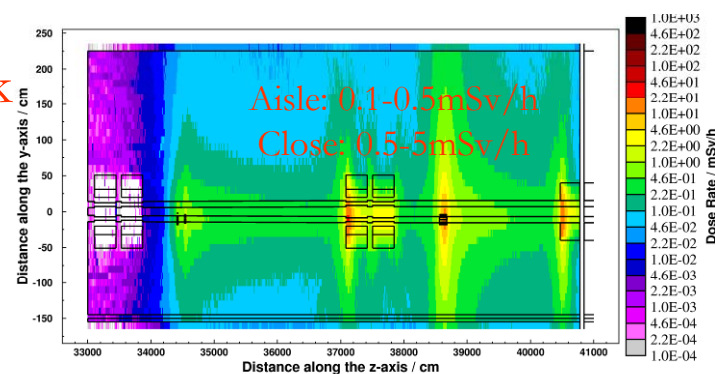
# Detailed MC Calculations

- Remanent Dose Rates ranging from 0.1-20 mSv/h (cooling time of 8 hours to 4 months)
- Regular interventions
- Possible additional interventions on nearby elements (e.g., vacuum pumps, magnet modules, beam instrumentation)
- Possible failure of elements

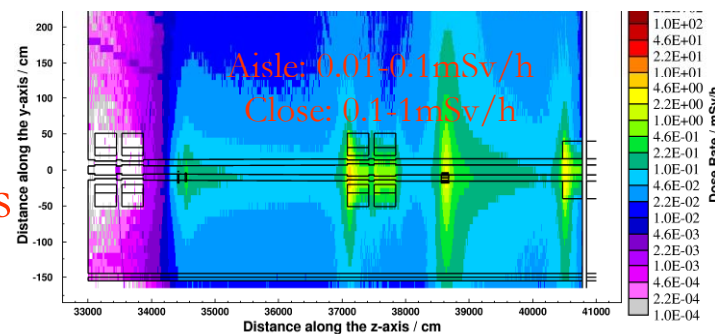
8 hours



1 week



4 months

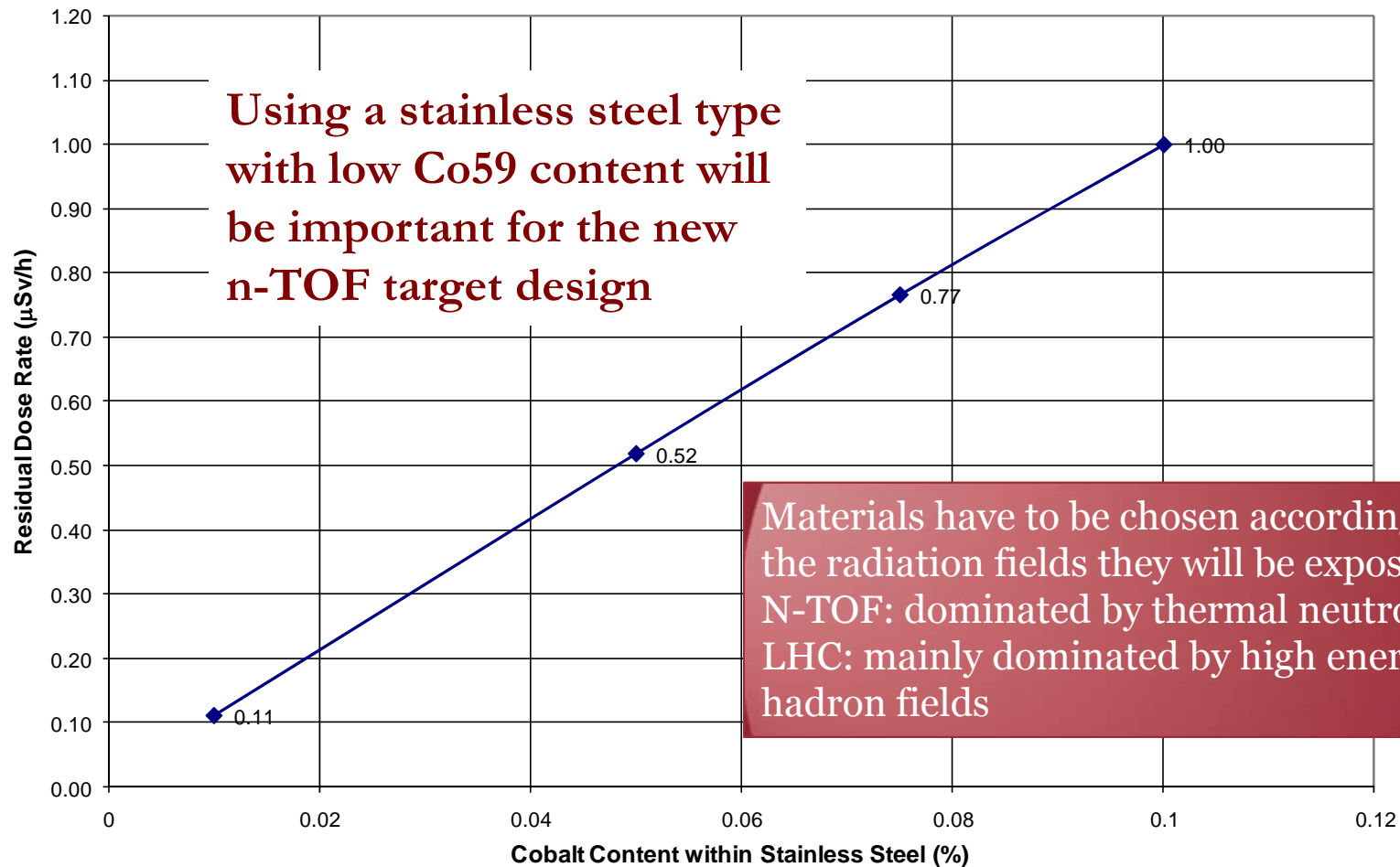


## ALARA: Collimator Exchange LHC Point 7

Actions	Collective Dose / mSv					
	1h	8h	1d	1w	1m	4m
<b>without permanent bakeout</b>						
<i>CF with bolts</i>	54.5	38.7	26.5	12.3	7.2	3.1
<i>CF with chain clamps</i>	51.4	36.5	24.9	11.5	6.8	2.9
<i>CF with bolts + 2nd beam line</i>	99.4	70.7	48.0	21.8	12.9	5.6
<i>CF with chain clamps+ 2nd beam line</i>	95.3	67.8	45.9	20.7	12.3	5.3
<b>with permanent bakeout</b>						
<i>CF with bolts</i>	28.0	19.5	13.9	6.7	3.9	1.7
<i>CF with chain clamps</i>	24.9	17.3	12.3	5.9	3.4	1.5
<i>CF with bolts+ 2nd beam line</i>	46.3	32.2	22.8	10.7	6.2	2.7
<i>CF with chain clamps+ 2nd beam line</i>	42.2	29.3	20.7	9.6	5.5	2.4

# Dependency on Cobalt Content

Residual Dose Rate ( $\mu\text{Sv/h}$ ) as a function of the stainless steel Cobalt content  
(representative for location in front of the target support)



Courtesy M. Brugger, EN-STI



# Implementation of ALARA at CERN

Already **since December 2006**:

- systematic, formalized approach
- Presently applied to the PS, ISOLDE, SPS and CNGS and LHC – to be extended to all work in radiation areas
- “**close collaboration**” between RP and the maintenance team and the RSO

**All work** in radiation areas has to be optimised

- Supervised Radiation Area: general optimisation by shielding, optimised installation of workplaces...
- Controlled Radiation Areas: All work must be planned and optimised including an estimate of the collective dose and of the individual effective doses to the workers participating in the completion of the task (Dossier D'Intervention en Milieu Radioactif - DIMR).

most of the ALARA elements were already used all over CERN in the past.

# ALARA at CERN - 3 levels

## CRITÈRE DE DÉBIT DE DOSE

Débit d'équivalent de dose prévisionnel ( $\dot{H}$ ) dans la zone d'intervention :

50 $\mu\text{Sv}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$		2 $\text{mSv}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$	
niveau I	niveau II	niveau III	

## CRITÈRE DE DOSE INDIVIDUELLE

Équivalent de dose prévisionnel individuel ( $H_i$ ) pour l'intervention, ou pour l'ensemble des interventions de même nature lorsque celles-ci sont répétées plusieurs fois sur une année :

100 $\mu\text{Sv}$		1 $\text{mSv}$	
niveau I	niveau II	niveau III	

## CRITÈRE DE DOSE COLLECTIVE

Équivalent de dose prévisionnel collective ( $H_c$ ) pour l'intervention, ou pour l'ensemble des interventions de même nature lorsque celles-ci sont répétées plusieurs fois sur une année :

500 $\mu\text{Sv}$		10 $\text{mSv}$	
niveau I	niveau II	niveau III	

## CRITÈRE DE CONTAMINATION ATMOSPHÉRIQUE

Activité aérienne spécifique CA :

5 CA		200 CA	
niveau I	niveau II	niveau III	

## CRITÈRE DE CONTAMINATION SURFACIQUE

Activité surfacique spécifique CA :

10 CS		100 CS	
niveau I	niveau II	niveau III	

## ALARA procedures – 3 levels:

- If the rad. risk is **low**
  - <> very light procedure
- If it is **medium**
  - <> an optimization effort is required
- If it is **high**
  - <> an optimization effort is required, the procedure will be submitted to the ALARA committee

## CERN aims to optimize

- work coordination
- work procedures
- handling tools
- design
- material

to reduce dose to personnel

# ALARA

Starts already during at the design phase:

- Choose the right material
- Design the components for optimised maintenance and repair (imagine yourself maintaining a radioactive component)
- Design the whole facility for optimised maintenance and repair (optimised lay-out, space, cranes, easy access to equipment, etc.)
- Consider remote handling as an option

## Examples:

- Use of plug-in systems, e.g. for collimators allowing short installation and replacement times.

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Starts already during at the design phase:

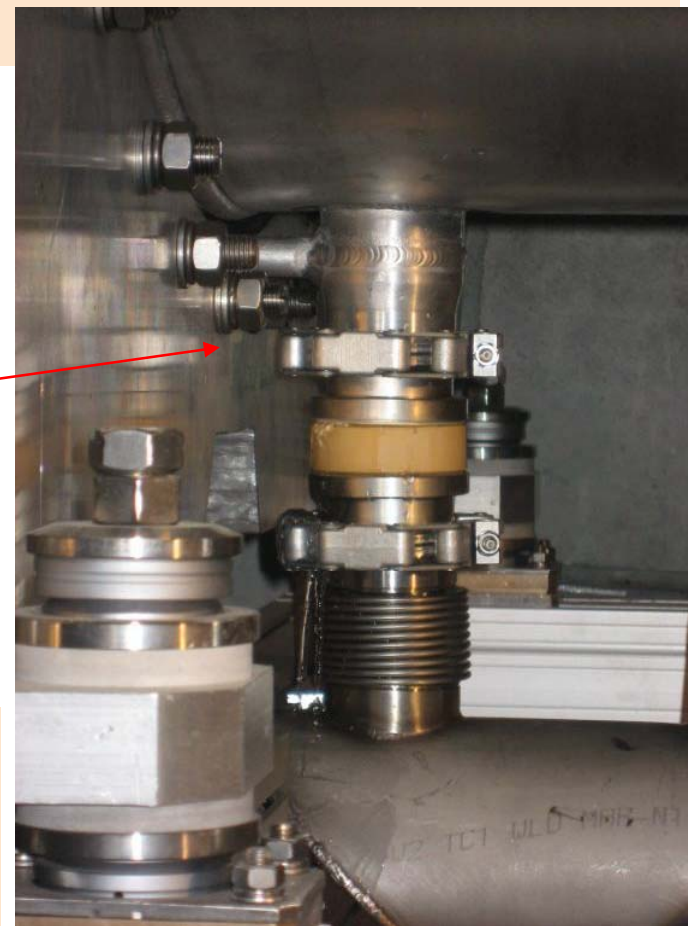
## Examples:

- Orientation of accelerator components in order to facilitate the access to the connection boxes at their less-radioactive end.
- Flanges for vacuum pipes which allow for easy coupling/de-coupling.
- Remote bake-out system for critical parts.
- Patch-panels for cables allowing an easier replacement and the use of especially radiation-resistant cables in high-loss areas.
- Use of cables with a radiation resistance of at least 500kGy.
- Placement of ionization chambers (PMI) to monitor remotely residual dose rates at locations with the highest expected losses.
- and....



## Examples – CNGS horn water circuit repair

### Leak in water outlet of cooling circuit of reflector



#### Observation:

- High refill rate of closed water circuit of reflector cooling system
- Increased water levels in sumps

#### Reason:

- Inadequate design of water outlet connectors (machining, brazing)

# Horn and Reflector Repair

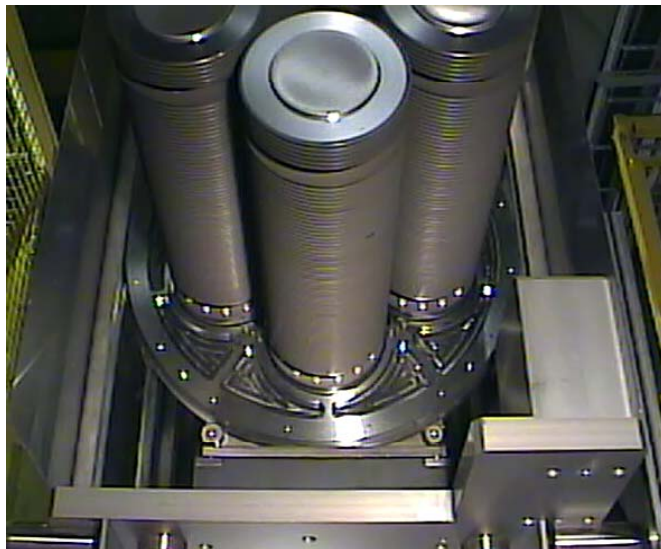
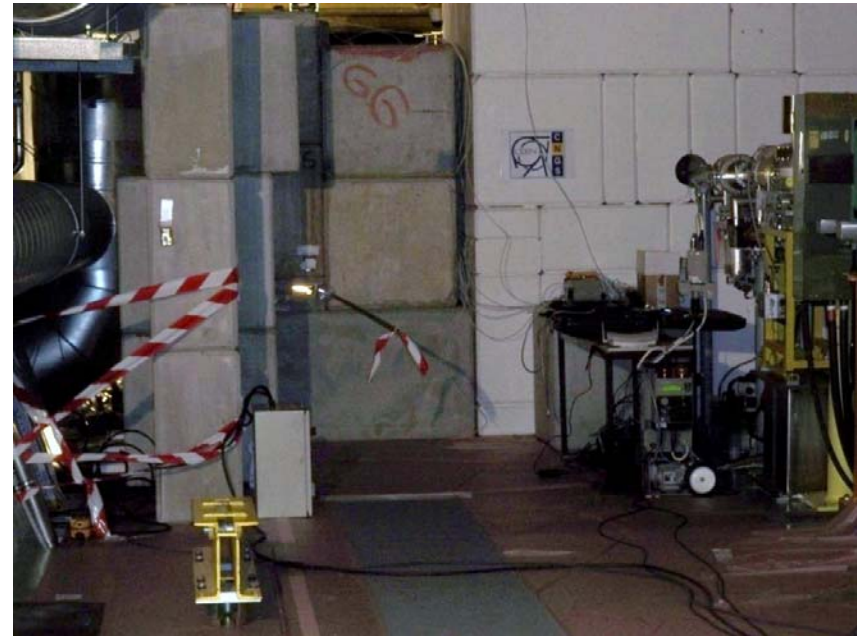
## → Repair and exchange

- Detailed radiation dose planning and minimization
- Practice of repair/improvement work on the spare horn in order to reduce exposure time
- Each work step executed by up to 4 persons to reduce individual dose
- Additional local shielding (EN/MEF)  
→ total integrated dose: 1.6 mSv



# Inspection of the CNGS target

- Dry runs in 867 on spare target
- Installation (in TCC4 ) of
  - temporary concrete shielding + thick lead glass + plastic cover on the floor
  - remote controlled cameras
  - Motor to rotate the target
- Remote controlled transport of the target
- Inspection done with an endoscope
  - total integrated dose: 287  $\mu\text{Sv}$   
(17 persons, dose max 48  $\mu\text{Sv}$ )



# Dismantling of TCX blocks in TCC6

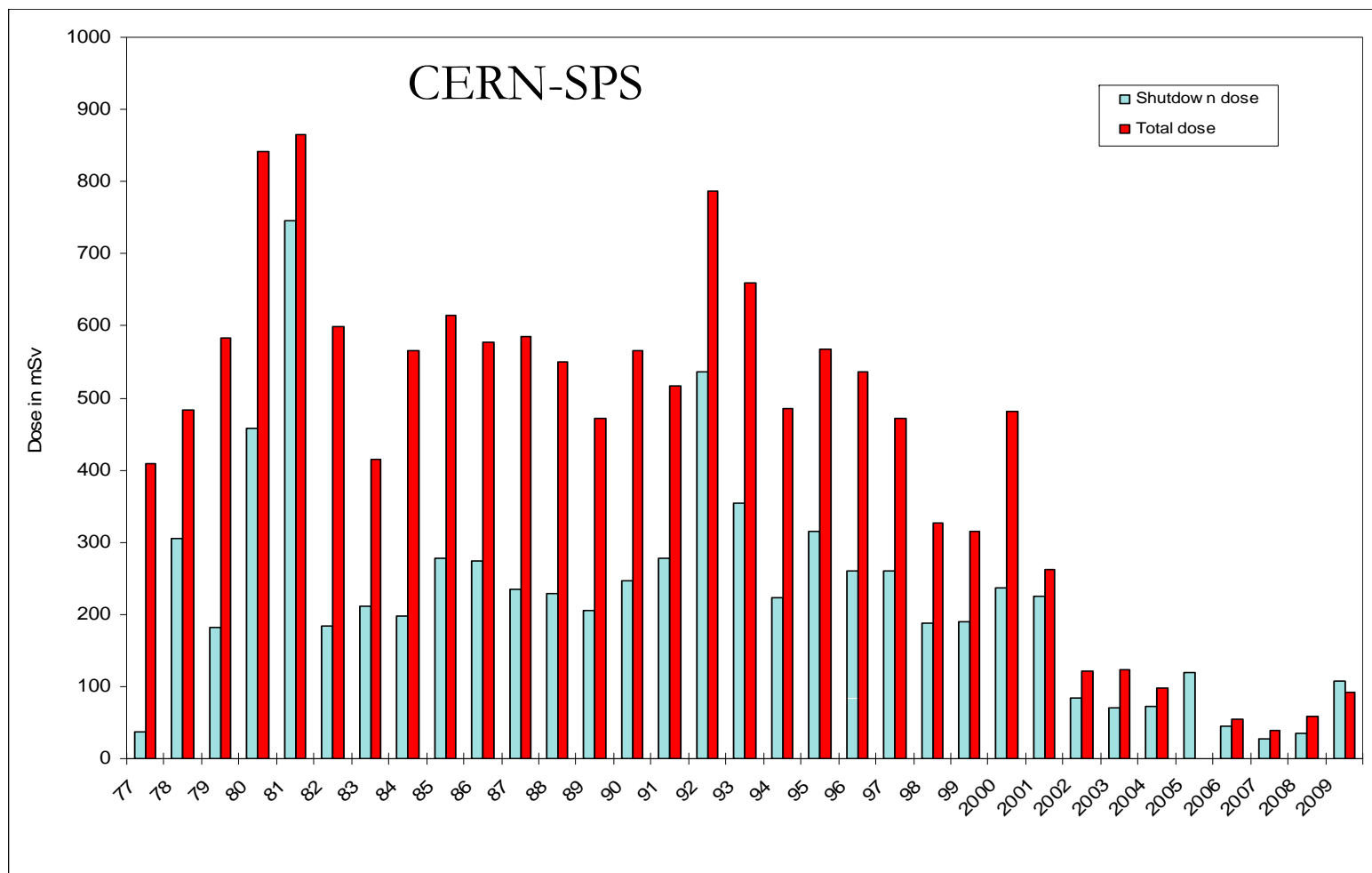
- Modification of a forklift (EN/MEF)
  - Installation of a lead shield and lead glass
  - Design of a new 'fork' (EN/HE)



- If ordering new shielding blocks consider that this forklift can be used for transport.  
- Think about modification of existing blocks



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