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FROM BUGS TO BOMBS!



Ten Years of X-ray Standards
2001-2011

It all started with the anthrax bioterror attack via the US mail



White House OSTP Task Force on Mail Security:

**USPS
NIST
AFRRI
FDA
Sandia
USDA**



Task: Develop and Optimize Standard Sanitization Process & Protocols

Suspect
mail from
Trenton
and
Brentwood

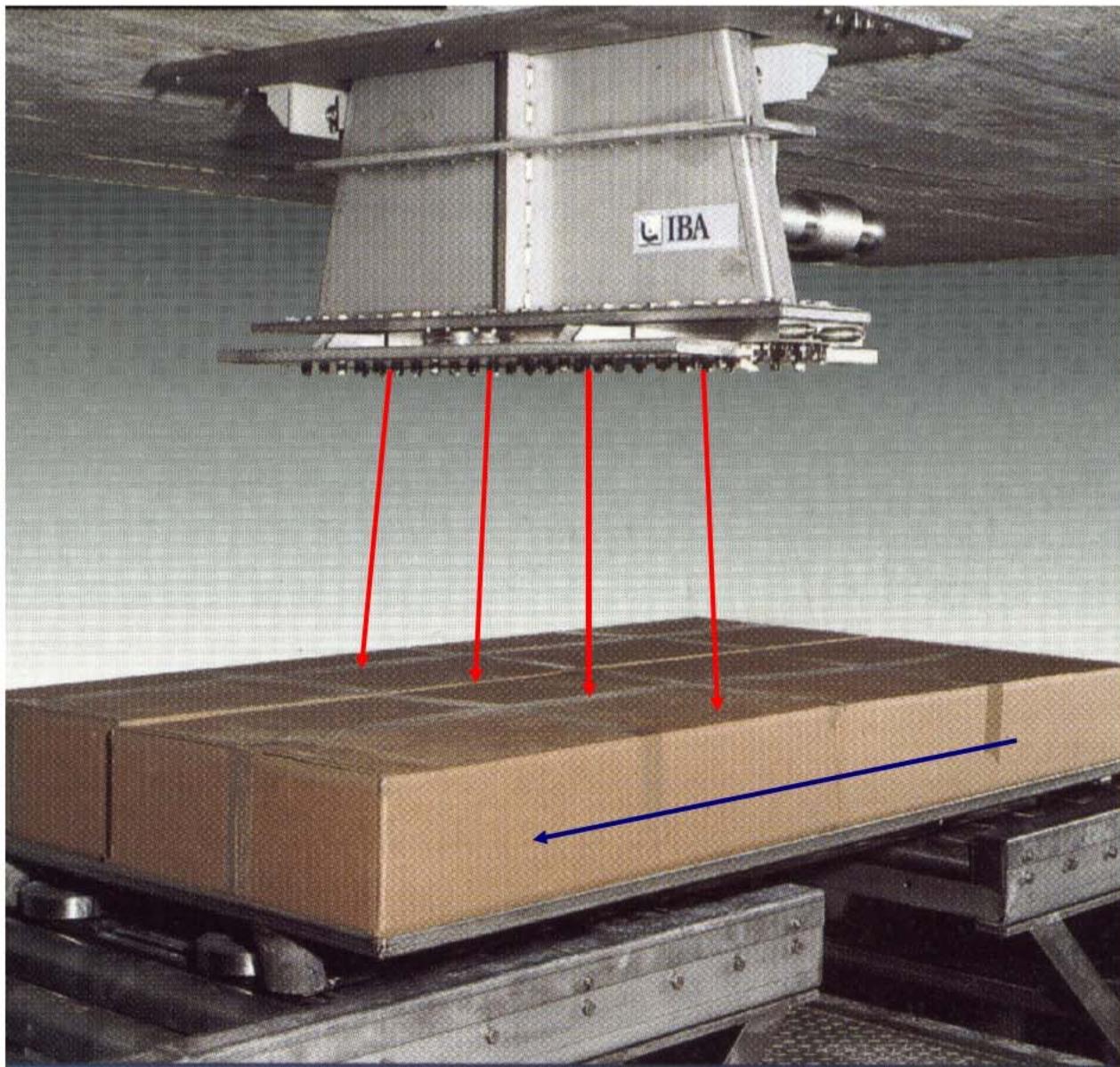


New
“Govt”
mail



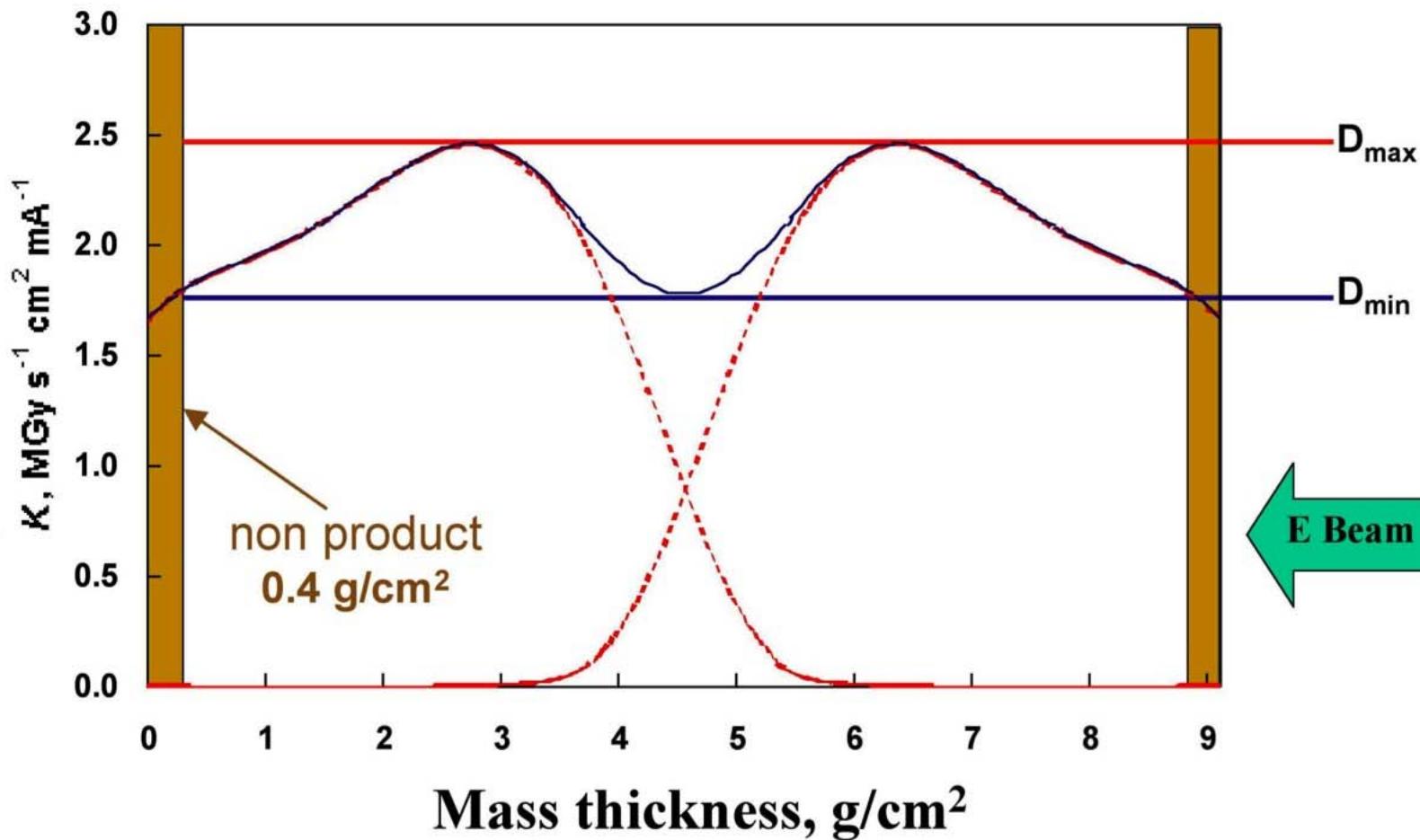
1st class
flats
small parcels
large parcels

1st class
TARE WGT 471
flats



Sterigenics
vertical
electron
beam
for
letter mail

Two-sided irradiation by 10 MeV electron beams for letter mail

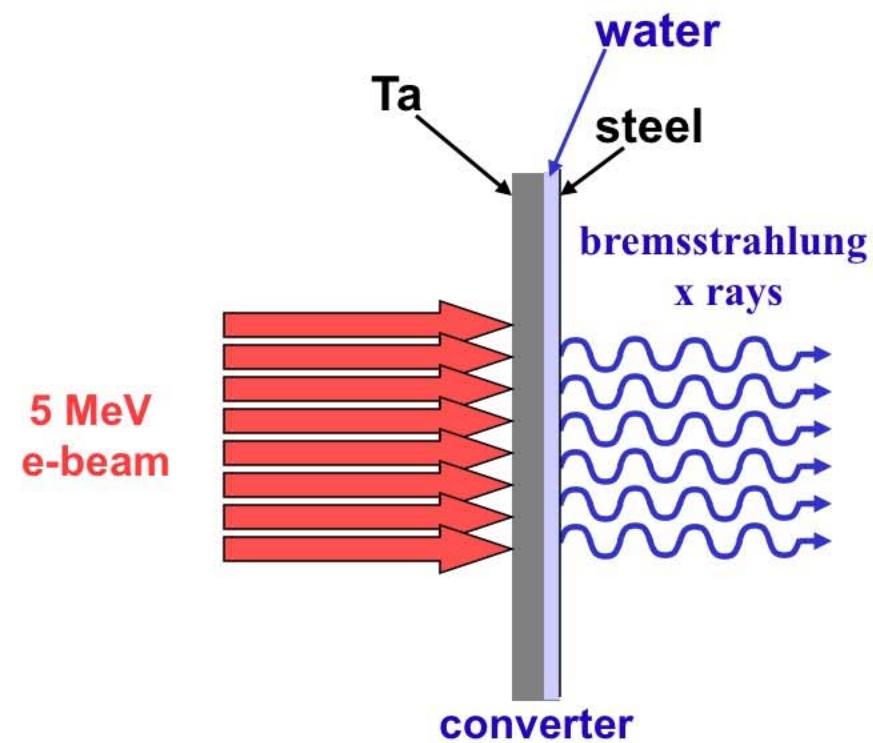


Protocol Validation: design and irradiate test mail instrumented with dosimeters and biological indicators, guided by computational dosimetry



X-Ray Standards

x-ray irradiation for
parcel mail



Application of standard irradiation protocols to non-manmade hazards

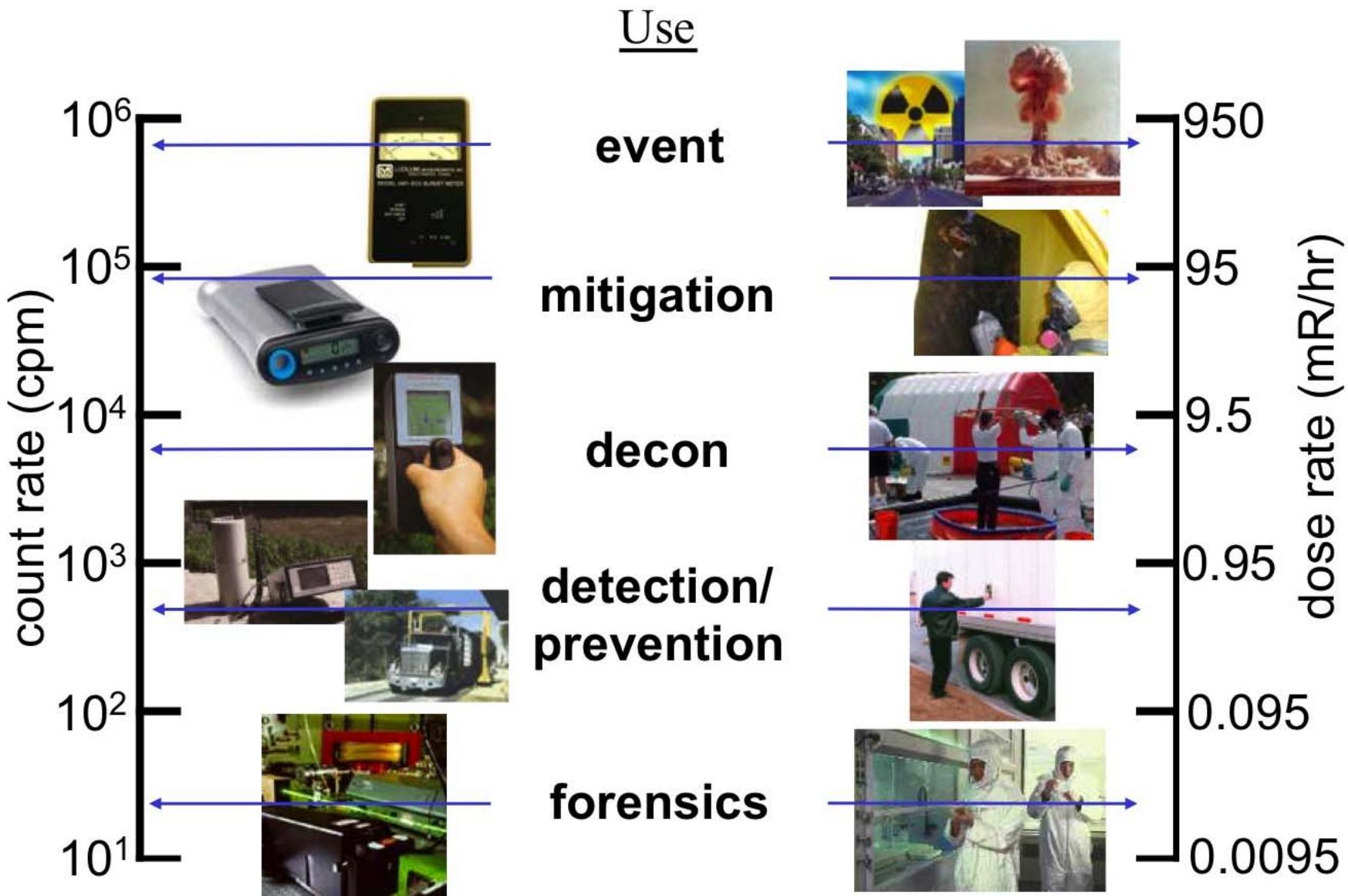
Irradiation of foods and spices to eliminate pests or extend shelf life



Sterilization of medical equipment



ANSI N42 RadNuc Standards



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ANSI N42.32 Performance Criteria for Alarming Personal Radiation Detectors

ANSI N42.33 Portable Radiation Detection Instrumentation

ANSI N42.34 Performance Criteria for Hand-held Instruments for the Detection and Identification of Radionuclides

ANSI N42.35 Evaluation and Performance of Radiation Detection Portal Monitors

ANSI N42.38 Spectroscopy-Based Portal Monitors

ANSI N42.39 Performance Criteria for Neutron Detectors

ANSI N42.41 Performance Criteria for Active Interrogation Systems

ANSI N42.42 Data format standard for radiation detectors

ANSI N42.43 Mobile and Transportable Systems Including Cranes

ANSI N42.48 Performance Requirements for Spectroscopic Personal Radiation Detectors

ANSI N42.49 A &B Performance Criteria for Personal Emergency Radiation Detectors (PERDs) for Exposure Control

ANSI N42.53 Performance Criteria for Backpack Based Radiation Detector Systems

International RadNuc & X-Ray Standards

- **IEC 62523 (published)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation – Cargo/Vehicle radiographic inspection systems"
- **IEC 62484 (published)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation – Spectroscopy-based portal monitors used for the detection and identification of illicit trafficking of radioactive material"
- **IEC 62533 (published)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation – Highly sensitive hand-held instruments for photon detection of radioactive material"
- **IEC 62534 (published)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation – Highly sensitive hand-held instruments for neutron detection of radioactive material "
- **IEC 62618 (in development)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation – Spectroscopy-based alarming personal radiation devices (SPRD) for detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material"
- **IEC 62694 (in development)**
 - "Radiation protection instrumentation - Portable radiation scanners (PRS) for detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material"
- **IEC 62709 (in development)**
 - Measuring the Imaging Performance of X-ray and Gamma-ray Systems for Security Screening of Humans"



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American National Standards for
Evaluation and Performance of X-ray
Security Screening Systems

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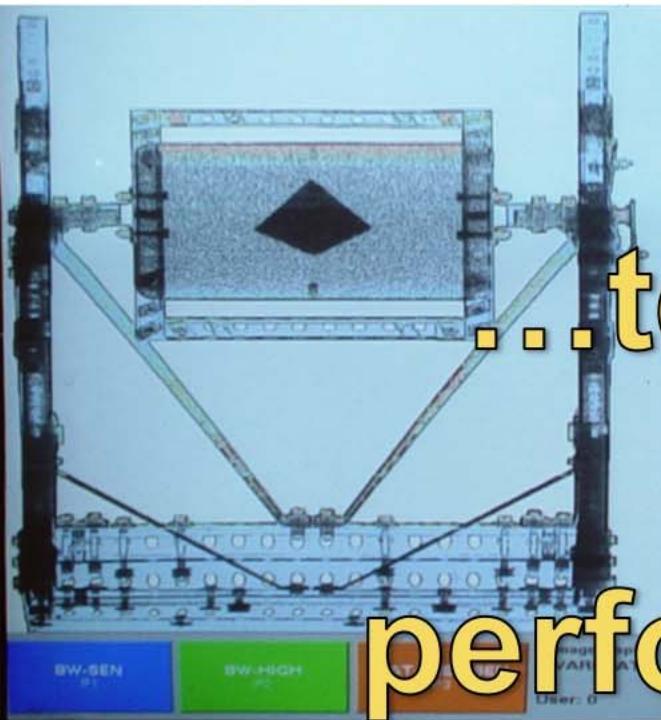
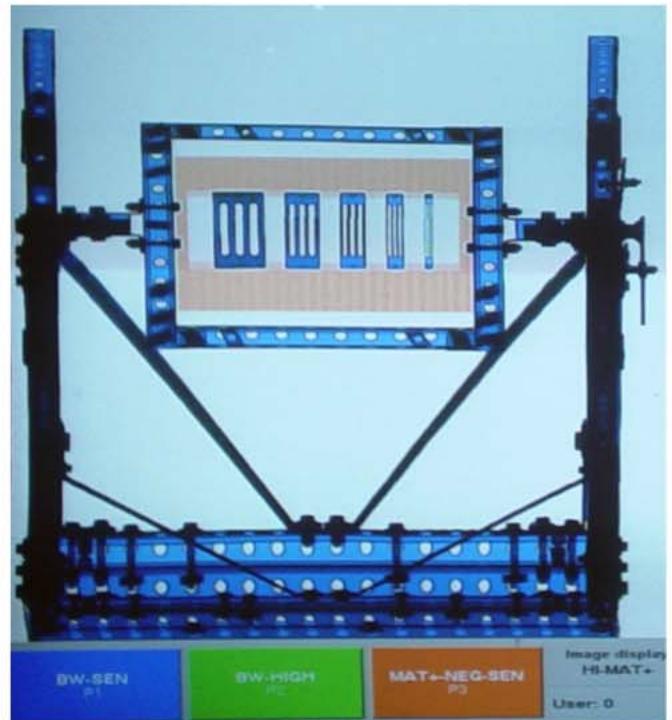
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National & international standards for bulk-explosives x-ray screening systems

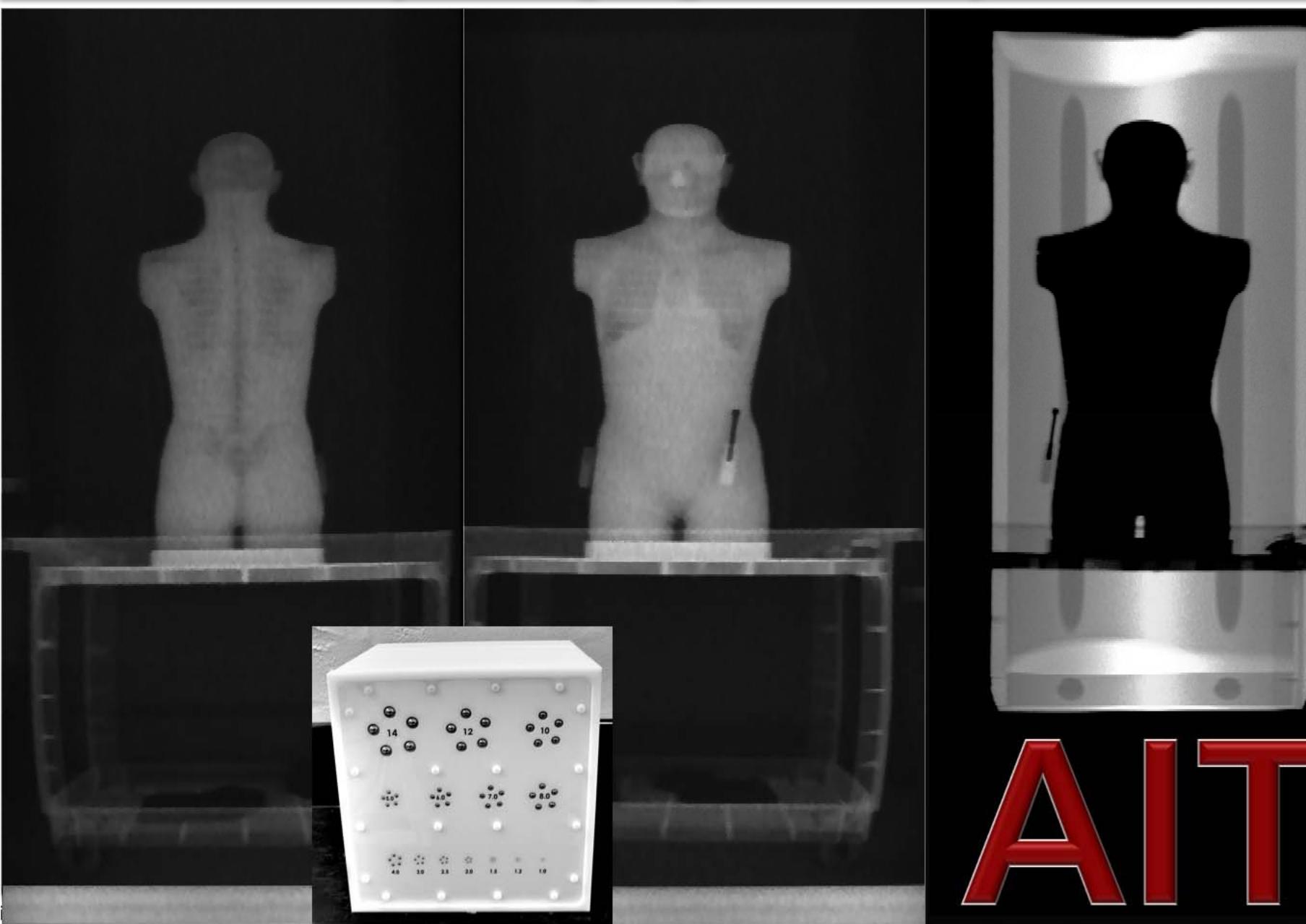
| Venue | Technical Performance | Radiation Safety |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Checkpoint | ANSI N42.44 – 2008 ASTM F 792 – 2008 | ASTM F 1039; W2002 (21 CFR 1020.40) |
| CT / EDS (checked luggage) | ANSI N42.45-2011 | ASTM F 1039; W2002 (21 CFR 1020.40) |
| Cargo / Vehicle | ANSI N42.46 – 2008 IEC 62523 – 2010 ANSI N42.41 – 2007 | ANSI N43.16 – draft IEC 62523 – 2010 ANSI N43.14 – approved |
| Whole Body Imaging (AIT) | ANSI N42.47 – 2010 IEC 62709 – CD1 | ANSI/HPS N43.17 – 2009 ANSI/ANS 6.1.1-1991; W2001* IEC 62463 – 2010 |
| Bomb Squads (portable sources) | NIJ 0603.01 ANSI N42.55 – draft | ANSI/HPS N43.3-2008 |

**T&E with
standard test
artifacts
gauging...**



**...technical
imaging
performance**

Whole-body imaging & safety standards



Radiation Dose Comparisons

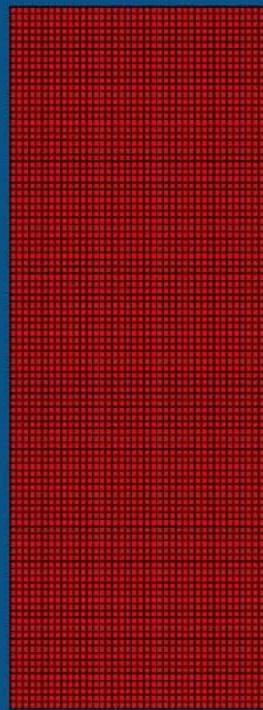
One day of natural background

1,000 microrem



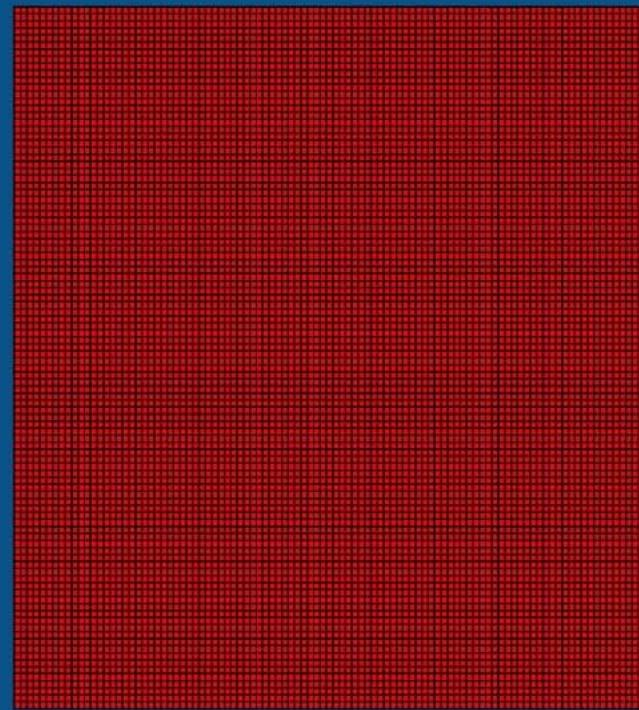
Flight from New York to LA

4,000 microrem



Chest X Ray

10,000 microrem

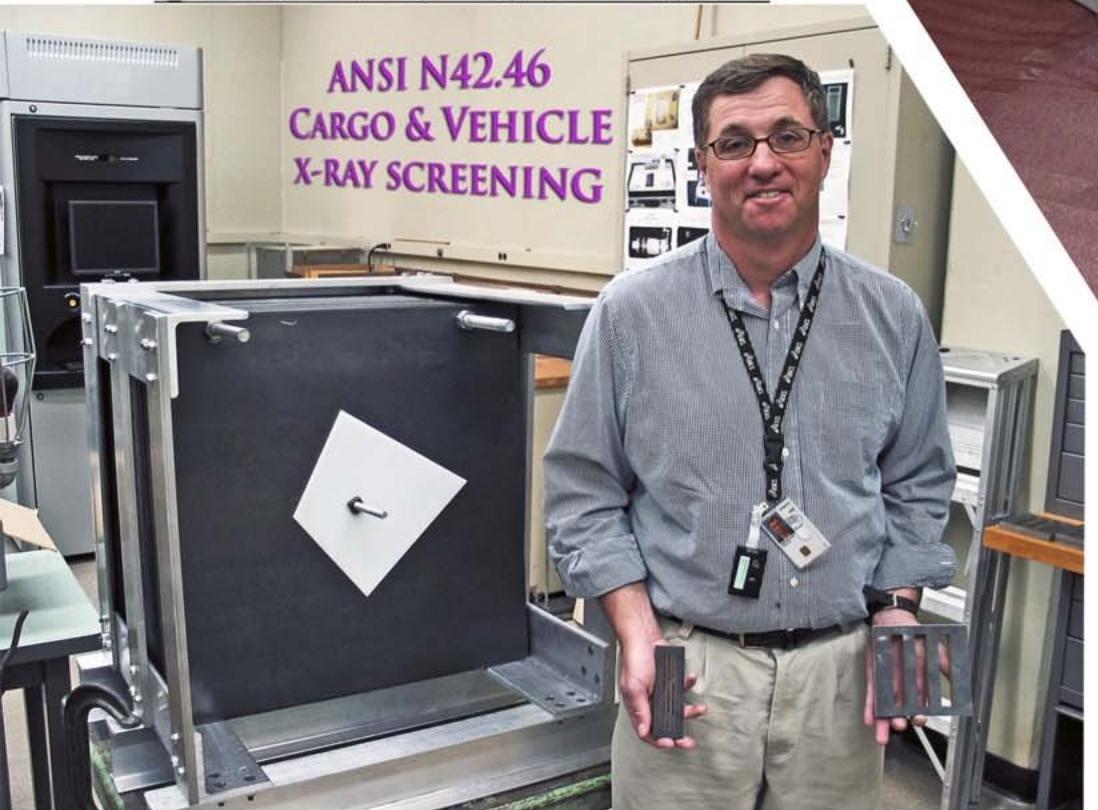
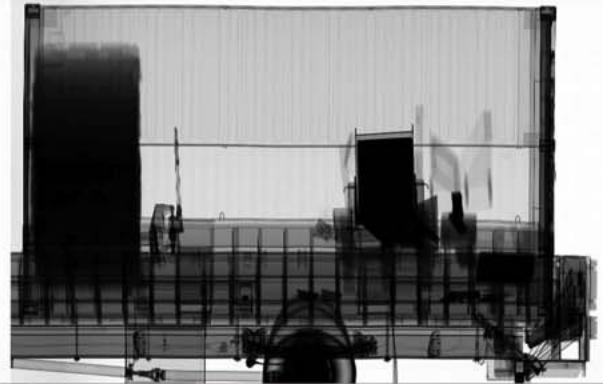


One backscatter scan

5 microrem



Each tiny box represents 1 microrem



Harmonizing Cargo Standards

