

**Nuclear Pharmacist's Potential Role in Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (RPT)**

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**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

1. Describe logistical, technical, and radiation safety considerations for implementing a radiopharmaceutical therapy program
2. List major operating procedures for the RPT example Lu-177-PSMA
3. Develop a plan for implementing a radiopharmaceutical therapy program

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

Question 1:  
Which of the following factors, beside patient safety, should be considered to determine the best method to prepare patient doses of radiopharmaceuticals?

- a. Convenience
- b. Cost
- c. Radiation dose to workers
- d. Workflow
- e. All of above

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

Question 2:  
Which of the following statements regarding Pluvicto administration is correct?

- a. When using the syringe method for Pluvicto administration, a syringe pump must be used to precisely control the administration rate.
- b. Pluvicto can only be administered using the gravity method or the syringe method with a syringe pump.
- c. Pluvicto can only be administered using the gravity method, syringe method (with or without a syringe pump), or vial method with an infusion pump.

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

Question 3:  
 What are the recommended dosage guidelines for Pluvicto?

- a. 3.7 GBq (100 mCi) intravenously every 4 weeks for up to 8 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- b. 7.4 GBq (200 mCi) intravenously every 6 weeks for up to 6 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- c. 7.4 GBq (200 mCi) every 8 weeks ( $\pm$  1 week) for a total of 4 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- d. 3.7 GBq (100 mCi) every 4 weeks ( $\pm$  1 week) for a total of 8 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

Question 3:  
 What BUD should be assigned to a radiopharmaceutical that was dispensed in ISO Class 5 PEC (Primary Engineering Control) located in ISO Class 8 or better buffer area with ISO Class 8 or better ante-room?

- a. 1 hour
- b. 12 hours
- c. 24 hours
- d. 96 hours

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**Overview**

- FDA approved therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals (RPs)
- Nuclear pharmacist responsibilities
- Regulatory compliance
- WU nuclear pharmacy's involvement in therapeutic RPs
- Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (RPT) Workflow

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SNMMI targeted cancer treatment infographic

<https://www.snmmi.org/Patients/About>

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### FDA Approved Therapeutic Radiopharmaceuticals (RPs)

Generic Name	Trade Name	Half-Life	Dosage Form	Indication	FDA Approval Year
Radium Ra-223 dichloride	Xofigo	11.4 days	Injection	CRPC	2013
Sm-153 lexidronam	Quadramet	1.9 days	Injection	relief of bone pain (palliative treatment)	1997
Chromic phosphate 32	Phosphocol P32	14.3 days	Intraperitoneal, intrapleural, interstitial injection	treatment of malignant effusion, treatment of ovarian or prostatic carcinoma, palliative treatment of bone metastases.	1974
Strontium-89 chloride	Metastron, available in generic form	50.5 days	Injection	relief of bone pain	2003
Yttrium-90 ibritumomab tiuxetan	Zevalin	64.2 hr	Injection	non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL)	2002

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**Nuclear Pharmacist Responsibilities**

- Clinical (compounding & dispensing)
  - ✓ Compounding Tc-99m RPs
  - ✓ I-131 sodium iodide solution or capsule: ordering, receiving, and dispensing (nowadays patient doses are in capsule)
  - ✓ I-131 MIBG: Performing QC for the shipped drug (QC no longer needed at the receiving site)
  - ✓ Preparing (dispensing) Y-90 Microspheres patient dose (note: Y-90 Microspheres are a medical device)
  - ✓ Dispensing Pluvico patient doses
  - ✓ Quality Assurance (QA)
- Clinical Research
  - ✓ Preparation, review and release of RP used under approved IND
  - ✓ QA

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**Dispensing Unit Doses**

- Administration method
  - Oral, IV Infusion (bolus, over 30 min)?
- Does the patient dose need to be dispensed by nuclear pharmacy?
  - Yes
  - No because;
    - ✓ Nuclear Medicine technologists draw the patient dose from the shipped vial under immediate use procedure
    - ✓ Drug in its shipped vial from mfg. can be used for infusion

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**Dispensing: Regulatory Compliance**

- State Board of Pharmacy Requirements
- USP Chapter <825> Radiopharmaceuticals-Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging
  - ✓ Becomes compendially applicable on 01-Nov-2023
  - ✓ Replacing chapter <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding-Sterile Preparations
  - ✓ Applies to all individuals who prepare, compound, dispense, or repackage radiopharmaceuticals
    - Authorized nuclear pharmacists (ANPs)
    - Authorized User (AU) physicians
    - Individuals working under the supervision of ANP or AU (e.g. nuclear pharmacy technicians, student pharmacists, nuclear medicine technologists and students, and physician residents and trainees)

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**USP Chapter <825>Radiopharmaceuticals-Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging**

1. Introduction	8. Assigning BUD
2. Radiation Safety Considerations	9. Documentation
3. Immediate Use of Sterile radiopharmaceuticals	10. Preparation
4. Personnel Qualification, Training, and Hygiene	11. Compounding
5. Facilities and Engineering Controls	12. Dispensing
6. Microbiological Air and Surface Monitoring	13. Repackaging
7. Cleaning and Disinfecting	14. Quality Assurance and Quality Control

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**USP Chapter <825>**

4. Personnel Qualification, Training, and Hygiene

Aseptic Qualification

- Aseptic technique training with a documented assessment
- Garbing and hand hygiene
- Primary Engineering Control (PEC) cleaning and disinfecting
- Gloved fingertip and thumb sampling
- Media-fill testing

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### Aseptic Training

Combination of;

- Didactic Training
  - ✓ Lead by experienced and qualified trainer
  - ✓ Learn fundamental concept of sterile preparation
    - o Building & Facilities, Equipment, Raw Materials, Sterilization method, Environmental Control, Quality Control testing
  - ✓ Learn hand washing, garbing, and cleaning procedure (in class)
  - ✓ Pass written assessment
- Hands-on Training
  - ✓ Learn & perform hand washing and gowning
  - ✓ Learn & perform proper use of equipment
  - ✓ Learn & perform cleaning procedure
  - ✓ Perform media fill testing

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### Initial Aseptic Training: Equipment

WUSTL example

ISO Classification	Number of particles generated
Dispensing Hot cell	Isolator
Laminar Airflow Workbench	ISO class 5 Certification

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### Initial Aseptic Training: Materials and How to Work in ISO class 5 PEC, Microbiology

WUSTL example

Where We Should Not Touch | Examples

Red = do not touch  
Green = can touch

How to work in ISO class 5 PEC

First Air ↓ First Air → Clean → Waste

Organize items to make one way flow

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**Gowning** Checklist for hand hygiene and garbing skill

Imagine an invisible wall

**Hand Washing**  
Clock

Use nail pick (if used)  
Use antibacterial soap and scrub hands and forearms for 30 sec  
Dry hands and forearms with paper towel. Do not touch faucets

Perform contact plate testing after handwashing and gowning  
➤ Must be 0 CFU on contact plate

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**ISO class 5 PEC Cleaning** **WUSTL example**

Cleaning ISO class 5 PEC Checklist for LAFW cleaning

Overlapping strokes Using tools to reach

Use designated disinfectants

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**Personnel—Media Fill Testing** **WUSTL example**

- All media fill steps should be done in the same locations as the drug production steps (from Media Fills Guidance)
- Include all required manipulations that requires to use aseptic techniques
- Represent worst-case scenario for operations
- Performed in triplicate on three separate days for new operators
- Afterward, perform at least every 12 months
- Perform any time procedures are significantly changed
- Need Negative and Positive Control
- Refer to USP <71> for information regarding media and incubation conditions.

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5. Facilities and Engineering Controls

- Primary Engineering Controls (PECs)
  - ✓ Laminar Airflow Workbench (LAFW)
  - ✓ Biological Safety Cabinet (BSC)
  - ✓ Compounding Aseptic Isolator (CAI)
- Secondary Engineering Controls (SECs)
  - ✓ ISO-classified buffer room with ante-room
  - ✓ Unclassified area (Segregated Radiopharmaceutical Processing Area (SRPA))

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5. Facilities and Engineering Controls

- Air-Exchange Requirement
  - ✓ Measured in terms of the number of HEPA-filtered air changes per hour (ACPH)

Processing Area	ACPH Requirement
Unclassified SPRA	No requirement
ISO Class 7 area	≥30 ACPH
ISO Class 8 area	≥20 ACPH

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6. Microbiological Air and Surface Monitoring

ISO Class	Viable Air and Surface Sampling	
	Air Sampling Action Levels (cfu/m <sup>3</sup> of air per plate)	Surface Sampling Action Levels (cfu/device or swab)
5	>1	>3
7	>10	>5
8	>100	>50

7. Cleaning and Disinfecting

Site	Cleaning	Disinfecting	Applying Sporicidal
PEC	Prior to performing sterile processing of RP	Following cleaning each day	Monthly
Hot-cells	Daily	Daily	Monthly
Work surface outside of PEC	Daily	Daily	Monthly
Ceiling	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly
Wall	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly
Floor	Daily	Daily	Monthly
Storage shelving and storage bins	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly

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8	>100	>50

7. Cleaning and Disinfecting

8. Assigning BUD

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**Assigning BUD**

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### WU Nuclear Pharmacy Background

- Part of WU MIR Cyclotron Facility and Nuclear Pharmacy
- Cyclotron Facility has been operational since 1960's
- Nuclear Pharmacy was established in 2001

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### WU Nuclear Pharmacy's involvement in therapeutic RPs

Approached by the Radiation Oncology group regarding the possibility of WU Nuclear Pharmacy dispensing Y-90 Microspheres in 2021

- Concerns regarding the regulatory compliance (USP chapter <825>)
- WU Nuclear Pharmacy started providing the service (Y-90 Microspheres)
- WU Nuclear Pharmacy expanded the range of service (Lu-177 RPs)

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### Initiation: Involvement in therapeutic RPs

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    A[Learn the procedure  
✓ From Radiation Oncology group  
✓ From manufacturer] --> B[Perform Dose Calibrator testing  
✓ Accuracy, geometry, linearity, and constancy test for Lu-177]
    B --> C[Practice modify documents as needed]
    C --> D[Finalize]
    D --> E[Train others]
    F[Obtain necessary items  
✓ Beta shields (panel, box, syringe shield, transportation box)  
(provided by Radiation Safety)]
  
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- > Understand the needs of other team members (outside of pharmacy)
- > Good communication is the key for success

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**Tools**

- Use appropriate tools

Beta shield

Benchtop Beta radiation shield

Beta-gamma syringe shield

Forceps

Shielded Syringe Carriers

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**Dose Calibrator (DC) Testing**

Accuracy

Annual Constancy

Geometry

Linearity

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**Documents**

SOP

Dose Order Form

Dose Calculation Worksheet

Dispensing Record

Labels

Change Control document is needed to initiate any change (per WU Nuclear Pharmacy SOP)

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**Dry Run at WU**

- Workflow
  - ✓ Transportation
  - ✓ Personnel, imaging scanner, lab
- DC calibration
- Gamma counter and SPECT calibration if needed
- Document review
  - ✓ Protocol
  - ✓ SOP
  - ✓ Consent form
  - ✓ Dose order form (prescription)
  - ✓ Dose calculation worksheet
  - ✓ Labels

Nuclear pharmacy:  
Change Control  
(CC) needed

Communication between  
all team members is  
essential

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**Dry Run**

- Dose Calibrator calibration

Step 1

- Perform daily check (BKG and constancy)
- Obtain information for the reference vial (activity at calibration time (date & time), volume, batch ID, vial size)
- Calculate the activity at the date & time of measurement
- Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the vial activity, DC cal factor, or correction factor date and time, document
- % difference NMT 1%? 3%?

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**Dry Run**

- Dose Calibrator calibration

Step 2

- Transfer the activity into a syringe
- Multiple measurement of the activity in syringe
- Multiple measurement of the remaining activity in vial (NS added to the vial after activity transferred into syringe?)
- Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the activity, DC cal factor, or correction factor date and time, document
- % difference NMT 1%? 3%?

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### Dry Run: DC calibration



**DC in Nuc Pharmacy**

**DC in Rad Onc**

**Step 1**

Obtain reference vial

Calculate the activity at measurement on-site

Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the vial activity, Determine DC cal factor, or correction factor, Document data

Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the vial activity, Determine DC cal factor, or correction factor, Document data

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### Dry Run: DC calibration

**DC in Nuc Pharmacy**

**DC in Rad Onc**

**Step 2**

Transfer activity into syringe

Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the syringe activity, Determine DC cal factor, or correction factor, Document data

Multiple (3-5) Measurement of the syringe activity, Determine DC cal factor, or correction factor, Document data

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### Lu-177 Facts

Half-Life	6.847 days
B <sup>-</sup> (beta minus)	Max. 498 keV (79%)
gamma	208 keV (11%)
gamma	113 keV (6.4%)
2 methods of Lu-177 production	Carrier added: Lu-176 (n, gamma) Lu-177 + Lu-177m No carrier added (n.c.a.): Yb-176 (n, gamma) ytterbium Yb-177, Yb-177 beta minus decays to Lu-177  <span style="color: red;">Lu-177m: half-life 160.4 days, more difficult in terms of radiation protection and waste management</span>

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### Pluvicto Dose Dispensing

Dispensing performed in ISO Class 5 PEC

Pluvicto vial in vial shield

Transferring activity into syringe

Replace needle with sterile cap

Place patient dose in transportation Box

Dose calibrator and transportation box in adjacent to ISO Class 5 PEC

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### How to handle patient dose preparation: ALARA

Dose Monitor Measurements during Pluvicto 7.4 GBq dispensing

Process Step	Dose rate (mRem/hr)
Vial in dose calibrator	0.07
Shielded vial in LAFW, lid on, through $\beta$ shield	0.05
Shielded vial in LAFW, lid on, around $\beta$ shield at forearm position	0.07
Shielded vial in LAFW, lid off, through $\beta$ shield	0.15
Shielded vial in LAFW, lid off, around $\beta$ shield at forearm position	0.5
Dose syringe in shield, in transfer tray	18
Dose syringe in transport box (surface)	9

Measured by gamma survey meter (Pancake probe)

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### Dose Preparation: Documentation

- Verify the dose order request (prescription)
- Generate dose dispensing worksheet
- Dispensing record
- Labels for syringe and syringe shield (transportation box)

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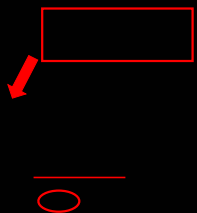
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### Dose Preparation: Dose measurement

- Measure the starting activity in vial
- Transfer the calculated volume into syringe
- Measure the activity in syringe
- Measure the residual activity in shipped vial
- Patient dose in syringe = initial activity in vial – residual activity in vial



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### Contamination Control

- Using absorbing pads
- Wipe testing of work areas
- Beta-gamma survey meter

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**Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (RPT) Program: Team effort**

- Nuclear Medicine
- Radiation Oncology
- Brachytherapy group
- Medical Physicists
- Nurses
- Technologists
- Coordinators
- Radiation Safety
- Nuclear Pharmacy

Define Responsibilities of Each Group

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**Establish the procedure**

1. Learn about the therapy
2. Allocate resources
  - Personnel, equipment, space, etc.
3. Satisfy radioactive material use regulations
4. Generate the written procedures and accompanying forms
  - SOPs, dose order form, dose calculation worksheet, dose, labels, etc.
5. Conduct training
6. Initiate and maintain therapy

Dry run (test drug shipment) can be very useful to validate the procedure and forms

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**How to handle patient dose preparation**

- Shipped product vial for patient dose is used as it is
- Dispensed by nuclear pharmacy
  - By on-site nuclear pharmacy
  - By off-site nuclear pharmacy
- Drawn under immediate procedure by the technologist
- What administration method is used ?
 

Factors to consider: Convenience, Cost, Occupational dose to workers, facility resources, etc.

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### How to handle patient dose preparation: ALARA

- Use appropriate tools

Vial shield\*

Beta-gamma syringe shield\*

Bricks\*

\*<https://radiuminc.com>

Lucite + tungsten shield

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### Pluvicto Administration Methods

- Syringe method (with or without a syringe pump)
- Gravity method (with or without an infusion pump)
- Vial (with a peristaltic infusion pump)
- Refer to Pluvicto Prescribing Information (PI)

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### Pluvicto Administration Methods: Syringe Method

**STEP 1: SETUP**

- Withdraw desired radioactivity dose from PLUVICTO vial using a syringe fitted with a syringe shield and disposable sterile needle.
- Optional: A 15-ml non-radiation vial can be used to reduce the resistance while drawing up the dose.

**STEP 2: ADMINISTRATION**

- Using the prefilled syringe, administer PLUVICTO after the venous peak within approximately 1 to 2 minutes (with a syringe pump or manually).
- Consider using a 2-way stopcock to switch from the pre-administration saline flush to the injection of PLUVICTO into the port.

**STEP 3: FLUSH**

- Once desired radioactivity has been administered, consider using a 2-way stopcock to switch from injection of PLUVICTO into the port to the pre-administration saline flush.
- Flush port with 10-15 mL of 0.9% sterile sodium chloride solution.

Other methods of administration may be chosen per institutional practice.

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### Pluvicto Administration Methods: Gravity Method

**1. SETUP**

- Connect the short needle (the catheter) to the 10 mL vial. The short needle (the catheter) is attached to the syringe. The syringe is connected to the vial. The syringe is connected to the vial.
- Connect the long needle to the Pluvicto vial. The long needle is connected to the vial. The long needle is connected to the vial.

**2. ADMINISTRATION**

- Administer the dose. The dose is administered by gravity. The flow rate is 0.5 cc/hr. The dose is administered over approximately 20 minutes.

**3. POST-ADMINISTRATION**

- Disconnect the syringe and vial. The syringe is disconnected from the vial. The syringe is disconnected from the vial.

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### Pluvicto Administration Methods: Vial Method

**1. SETUP**

- Connect the short needle (the catheter) to the 10 mL vial. The short needle (the catheter) is attached to the syringe. The syringe is connected to the vial. The syringe is connected to the vial.
- Connect the long needle to the Pluvicto vial. The long needle is connected to the vial. The long needle is connected to the vial.

**2. ADMINISTRATION**

- Administer the dose. The dose is administered by a peristaltic infusion pump. The flow rate is 0.5 cc/hr. The dose is administered over approximately 20 minutes.

**3. POST-ADMINISTRATION**

- Disconnect the syringe and vial. The syringe is disconnected from the vial. The syringe is disconnected from the vial.

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### Pluvicto Dose Dispensing by Nuclear Pharmacy

ISO Class 5 PEC

Pluvicto vial in vial shield

Transferring activity into syringe

Replace needle with sterile cap

Place patient dose in transportation Box

Dose calibrator and transportation box in adjacent to ISO Class 5 PEC

Dispensing performed in ISO Class 5 PEC in classified area

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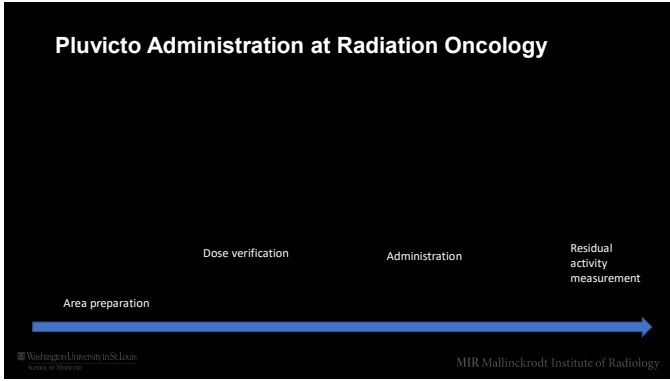
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### Pluvicto Dose Preparation: Immediate Use Procedure at Nuclear Medicine Department

- Dose not require a segregated radiopharmaceutical processing area (SRPA), classified area, or PEC
- Dose not require personnel to complete the aseptic qualification
- Intended for a single patient dose
- Perform hand hygiene
- Immediately after hand hygiene, don a clean gown that has not been exposed to a patient or patient care area

Must be administered within 1 hour of the first container puncture

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### Treatment Area at Nuclear Medicine Department

Patient dose set in syringe pump inside of its shield

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### Pluvicto Facts

Indication	Treatment of adult patients with PSMA-positive mCRPC who have been treated with androgen receptor (AR) pathway inhibition and taxane-based chemotherapy.
Patient Selection	Use Ga-68 gozetotide (Locametz) or another approved PSMA-11 imaging agent (F-18 pifluofolastat (Pylarify)).
Recommended Dosage	7.4 GBq (200 mCi) intravenously every 6 weeks for up to 6 doses, or until disease progression, or unacceptable toxicity.
Dosage Modification	Temporary dose interruption (extending the dosing interval) Dose reduction by 20% once; do not re-escalate dose Permanent discontinuation
Dosage Forms and Strengths	Injection: 1000 MBq/mL Clear and colorless to slightly yellow solution in a single-dose vial
Solution Volume	7.5 - 12.5 mL
Elimination	Primarily renal elimination
Shelf life	120 hours (5 days)
Storage	Below 30 °C (86 °F)

PSMA: prostate-specific membrane antigen  
mCRPC: metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer

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### Pluvicto Facts

Radiation exposure (to self)	Ensure patient increase oral fluid intake and advise patients to void as often as possible
Radiation exposure (to others)	Limit close contact (<3 feet) with household contacts for 2 days, children and pregnant women for 7 days Refrain sexual activity for 7 days Sleep in a separate bedroom from household contacts for 3 days, from children for 7 days, or from pregnant women for 15 days
Myelosuppression	Perform complete blood counts. Withhold, reduce dose, or permanently discontinue PLUVICTO and clinically treat based on severity.
Renal Toxicity	Advise patients to remain well hydrated and to urinate frequently. Perform kidney function laboratory tests. Withhold, reduce dose, or permanently discontinue PLUVICTO based on severity
Embryo-Fetal Toxicity	Can cause fetal harm. Advise male patients with female partners of reproductive potential to use effective contraception.
Infertility	PLUVICTO may cause temporary or permanent infertility.

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### Pluvicto Workflow for Routine Operation: WU example

- Identify therapy candidates
- Image therapy candidates using Ga-68 PSMA-11 (Locametz) or another approved PSMA-11 imaging agent (F-18 DCFpYL (Pylarify))
- Determination of whether Pluvicto treatment is appropriate
- Schedule treatment dates
- Order Pluvicto (6 doses)
- 1<sup>st</sup> dose receiving
- Follow up

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**RAM Receiving, Transportation, and RAM Waste Management**

Provided by WU Radiation Safety Office

RAM receiving      transportation      Waste management

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**Hiccups**

1. Moving dispensing area
  - ✓ DC re-calibration, etc.
  - ✓ DC different setting for same Lu-177 for different clinical trial
  - ✓ Communication
  - ✓ Air exchange-BUD change
2. LAFW contamination
  - ✓ LAFW contamination
    - Decontamination process

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**Moving forward...**

- Pharmacy dispensing software program
- Dose ordering process
- Dispensing other therapeutic RPs

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**Clinical Trial: Producing Therapeutic Radiopharmaceuticals for investigational use**

- Beta or Alpha emitting radiopharmaceuticals
- Product release following review of production batch record and QC test results
- Collaboration with industrial partners

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**Potential Roles for Nuclear Pharmacist Beyond Dispensing**

- Patient and family member counseling
- Assurance of drug supply for continuation of therapy
- Close interaction with other team members
- Expanded responsibilities: dose monitoring?
- Greater involvement with patient response/tolerance assessment

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

**Question 1:**  
Which of the following factors, beside patient safety, should be considered to determine the best method to prepare patient doses of radiopharmaceuticals?

- a. Convenience
- b. Cost
- c. Radiation dose to workers
- d. Workflow
- e. All of above

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

**Question 2:**  
Which of the following statements regarding Pluvicto administration is correct?

- a. When using the syringe method for Pluvicto administration, a syringe pump must be used to precisely control the administration rate.
- b. Pluvicto can only be administered using the gravity method or the syringe method with a syringe pump.
- c. Pluvicto can only be administered using the gravity method, syringe method (with or without a syringe pump), or vial method with an infusion pump.

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

**Question 3:**  
What are the recommended dosage guidelines for Pluvicto?

- a. 3.7 GBq (100 mCi) intravenously every 4 weeks for up to 8 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- b. 7.4 GBq (200 mCi) intravenously every 6 weeks for up to 6 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- c. 7.4 GBq (200 mCi) every 8 weeks ( $\pm$  1 week) for a total of 4 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
- d. 3.7 GBq (100 mCi) every 4 weeks ( $\pm$  1 week) for a total of 8 doses, or until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

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**LEARNING ASSESSMENTS**

Question 3:  
What BUD should be assigned to a radiopharmaceutical that was dispensed in ISO Class 5 PEC (Primary Engineering Control) located in ISO Class 8 or better buffer area with ISO Class 8 or better ante-room?

- a. 1 hour
- b. 12 hours
- c. 24 hours
- d. 96 hours

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