PROBLEMS WITH PACKAGED SOURCES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

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What is LANL OSRP Mission?

- Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Off-Site Source Recovery Project (OSRP) Began in 1999
- Part of U.S. Dept. of Energy Global Threat Reduction Initiative
- Address health, safety, and national security threats
- Recover excess and unwanted sealed sources
- Storage/disposal of material
- Optimize and leverage resources





Radioactive Sources

- are used in medical, industrial, agricultural, academic, and government facilities for a variety of purposes
- have been abandoned or are placed in facilities that are often improperly maintained and poorly guarded
- could be potentially stolen and used for malicious purposes
- are scattered across the world at thousands of sites, and hundreds of them contain enough radioactive material for a "dirty bomb"





Disused and Unwanted Sources













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Regional Partnership

• GTRI has joined with the IAEA and the U.S. Department of State (DOS) in a Regional Partnership in South America to identify, condition, and dispose of disused and unwanted radioactive sealed sources









OSRP Recovery Summary

OSRP has recovered 22,447 sources as of July 2010.











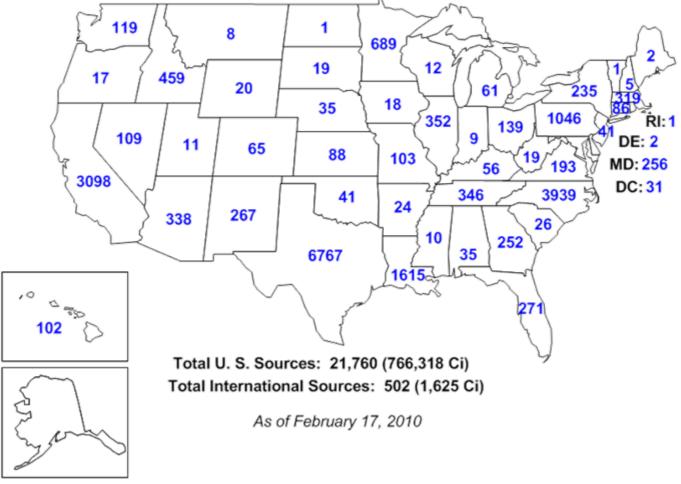




*Activity upon recovery.



OSRP Recoveries in the U.S.





Projects Around the Globe



Country	Number of Sources	Total Activity (Ci)
Argentina	19	47.5
Australia	207	48.5
Brazil	127	170.3
Canada	3	2.4
Chile	431	26.7
Denmark	11	43.5
Ecuador	36	8.5
Israel	7	29.0
Italy	11	1209
Singapore	1	5E-3
South Africa	69	22.67
Sweden	9	19.1



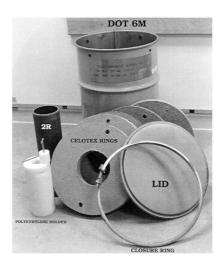
Challenges

- Transportation
- Scheduling Conflicts
- Shipments by air
- Denial of shipment



Examples

DOT 6M Package & 20WC Containers







Sealed Source Conditioning Overpack

- Simple
- Inexpensive
- Reliable
- Guaranteed Seal
- Achieves CoCA for International Shipments
- Safe, Stable, Secure



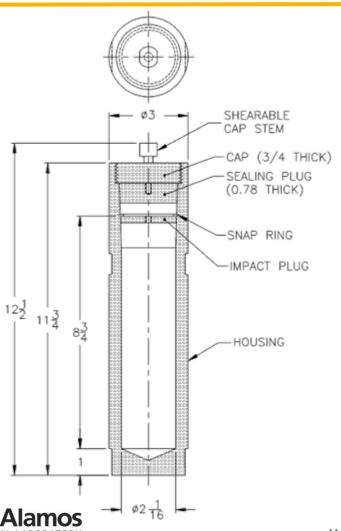
U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

IAEA CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENT AUTHORITY SPECIAL FORM RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS CERTIFICATE NUMBER USA/0696/S-96, REVISION 1





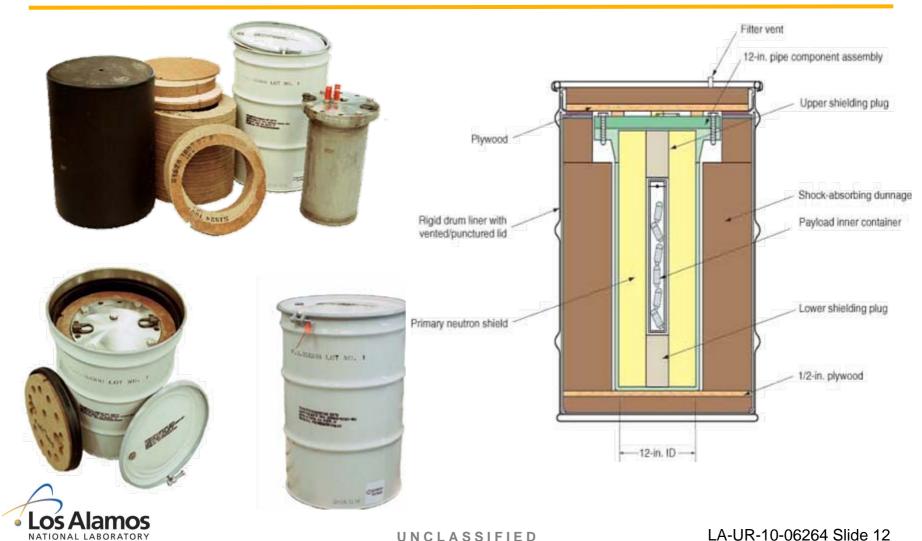
LANL Special Form Capsule



- **Solves special form** problem
- **Useful for consolidation**
- Useful for storage and disposition
- Solves some safety and security issues
- Allows Type A shipment



Type A Packaging: S300 POC



Conclusion

- GTRI/OSRP will continue to work to find ways to accelerate the recovery of high-activity sources.
- GTRI/OSRP is working to address recovery barriers.
- GTRI/OSRP will also continue to work to remove disposal barriers previously discussed.
- GTRI/OSRP's support for the DHS-chaired interagency focus group on disposal will continue to search for solutions to the lack of commercial disposal capacity.

