

MR Safety Site Management and Policies

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Outline and Objectives

- Magnet and room design
- Policy and Procedure creation and Implementation
- Screening workflow
- Clearing of Implants and Devices
- Adverse Event Reporting
- Education and training

Areas for Concern

- Projectiles
- RF Burns
- Hearing damage
- Peripheral Nerve stimulation
- Implant or device malfunction/damage
- Cryogen Safety

What really works?

- Most of us practice some combination of these safety measures
 - Ferrous Metal Detectors
 - MR Safety officers/MD/Expert
 - Screening and Implant research



Do these measure keep us safe?

- Under reporting of accidents makes meaningful statistics difficult
 - Accidents however seem to be increasing, by how much depends on whose statistics you review
- MR Safety IS our most important task and maintaining a safe environment for staff and patients the basis of all Safety workflow and policies
- In a busy MR clinic or hospital, safe practices and adherence to those safety policies is vital to your mission

The Perfect MR Site

- Site planning that involves:
 - Careful attention to the surrounding physical setting
 - Neighboring department or traffic
 - Future building plans
 - What is planned around you?
 - What if you need to upgrade or add on?
 - Compliance with Regulations
 - Designing for optimal workflow
 - Decide your plan for daily work BEFORE you design a room/suite

In an ideal world

- MR Medical Director/MD in charge of MR Safety
 - Makes and Implements MR Safety policy
 - Directs Radiologist in protocoling and clearing implanted devices
 - Is accessible for questions concerning safety and protocols
- Physicist
 - Aides in Policy creation and implementation
 - Evaluates equipment for safety and technical issues
 - Is accessible for Questions concerning MR safety
- MR Technologist in charge of reviewing, researching and sending issues forward for Safety clearance
- Clerical Staff to screen/review and prepare the Patient

Reality in many sites



How do we prevent accidents?

Managers can control

- ***Room design and restricted access***
- Policy in place, known and followed consistently
- ***Education***
 - Staff, patient, and all who need access to Zone 3
- ***Labeling all equipment and testing anything that might enter Zone 4***

Controlled by “staff on the floor” during the workday

- Screening and changing Patients and staff
- Positioning pts without loops, wires, and metal
 - All metal removed-If it can't be removed-does not touch anything else
 - Patients have and know how to use emergency call buttons
- Hearing protection-Used correctly

MR Regulatory Bodies

- Regulatory Bodies in USA for MR
 - **ACR**
 - Site certification
 - Radiologist Organization for education and guidelines
 - **JC**
 - Certifies Hospitals including Radiology
 - **Department of Public Health**
 - Governs mostly building codes and pharmaceuticals
 - **ARRT**
 - Technologist certification
 - **FDA**
 - Government clearance for scanners and implanted devices

Specific Safety Documents

- IEC- 60601-2-33 -Requirements for the Safety of MR Equipment for Medical Diagnosis
- FDA-Guidelines for Premarket Notifications for MR Diagnostic Devices NEMA MS 1 through 9 Safety and Performance Standards
- ASTM -Test Methods for MR Safety of Implanted Medical Devices
- ACR -Site Safety Guidelines and White Paper on Safety

ACR Requirements for Sites

- Policies addressing:
 - Site Access
 - Zone 4 specific
 - Incident reporting
 - Training and Education
 - Credentials
 - MR technologists, Rads, Physicist
 - Orientation and Updates
 - Images and Reports
 - Turn around time, critical results
 - Emergency Response
 - Quench
 - Medical Emergency
 - Contrast reaction
 - Unsuspected metal in Zone 4
 - Crash Cart



ACR Accreditation Toolkit for Validation Site Surveys

The ACR will be performing **unannounced** validation site surveys as part of the accreditation process. This checklist is designed to assist you in gathering and maintaining the documentation that is required for accreditation and will be reviewed during the survey. It is recommended you create a binder to keep this information in one place. Facilities will be surveyed with unannounced visits by representatives of the ACR or CMS at any time during the 3-year accreditation period. This checklist can also be used to prepare for a pre-accreditation and/or post-accreditation on-site survey as outlined in the Practice Site Accreditation Survey Agreement.

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ACR Tool kit cont.

- Screening
- Contrast, sedation
 - Who injects?
 - Renal Screening
 - Rad on site
- Claustrophobia
- Signage
 - Zones
 - Pt. complaints
- MR Director and MR Safety Officer
- QA-Weekly and yearly
 - Tech
 - Physicist
- Peer to Peer Rads
- Image and Report labeling



Screening Workflow and Implant policy

 **MAGNETIC RESONANCE (MR) PROCEDURE SCREENING FORM FOR PATIENTS**
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Department of Radiology

WARNING
Certain implants, devices, or objects may be hazardous to you and/or may interfere with the MR procedure. **DO NOT ENTER** the MR system room or MR environment if you have any questions or concerns regarding an implant, device, or object. Consult the MRI Technologist **BEFORE** entering the MR system room. **THE MR MAGNET IS ALWAYS ON.**

Please indicate if you have any of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Cardiac Pacemaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Implanted Cardiac Defibrillator (ICD) Cardiac Electrodes, Pacing Wires, Internal Electrodes
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Aneurysm Clip(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Cochlear, Otologic or other Ear Implant
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Tissue expander (e.g. breast)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Swan-Ganz or Thermo Dilution
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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you have Glaucoma and/or Eye Prosthesis or device (i.e. eyelid spring, wire, implant)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Any Metallic Fragment or Foreign Body
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Heart Valve Prosthesis
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Electronic Implant or Device
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Neurostimulation and/or Spinal Cord Stimulator
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	SHUNT(S) - spinal/intracranial/intraocular/peritoneal and other, if YES is it Programmable <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	STENT(S) - cardiac/cerebral/spinal/renal/iliac and other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Bone Growth/Bone Fusion Stimulator
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you use an Infusion Pump (i.e. drug infusion device)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Artificial or prosthetic Limb
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Wire Mesh Implant
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Surgical Staples, Clips, or Metallic Sutures
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Joint Replacement (hip, knee, etc.) Bone/Joint pin, Screw, Nail, Wire, Plate, Harrington Rod, IVC Filter or Other Implanted Metal Device
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	IUD, if YES, is it copper <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If Yes, 1.5T compatible only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Diaphragm, or Pessary Unit
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Dentures, Partial Plate, Magnetic Dental Implants or Hearing Aids
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Magnetically Activated Implant or Device
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Body Piercing Jewelry
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Tattoo or Permanent Makeup
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Medication Patch (Nicotine, Nitroglycerin, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Allergic to Latex
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Pontile Implants
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you feel dizzy/weak, do you need assistance to walk and/or have fallen lately
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you claustrophobic, if YES, did you take any meds: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you ever had an MRI, if YES, did you have an MRI done today where contrast was used <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you have poor IV access, if YES, do you have a port-a-cath that will need to be accessed <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you currently on dialysis for kidney failure
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you have any of the following conditions, if YES mark what you do have: <input type="checkbox"/> Personal or family history of Kidney Failure <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes Mellitus, if YES do you take prescription drugs to control diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Awaiting or within 6 weeks of Liver Transplantation <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Myeloma <input type="checkbox"/> Systemic Lupus Erythematosus <input type="checkbox"/> End-Stage Liver Disease

PATIENT WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____

List any other surgery, implant, or device not mentioned above: _____

What is your current medical condition or reason for test? _____

For FEMALE Patients:
When was the Date of your Last Menstrual Period _____
☐ Yes ☐ No Are you pregnant?
☐ Yes ☐ No Are you Scheduled for Breast MRI
If YES, Did you have any outside MRI/mammogram(s) films brought today for comparison ☐ Yes ☐ No

MR SAFETY IMPLANT WORKSHEET

Patient Name: _____ Patient MRN: _____

Exam: _____

Scheduled time: 13:04:51 2014-09-11 Scanner: Select... ▼

Referring MD: _____

Implant or device: _____

Make and Model _____

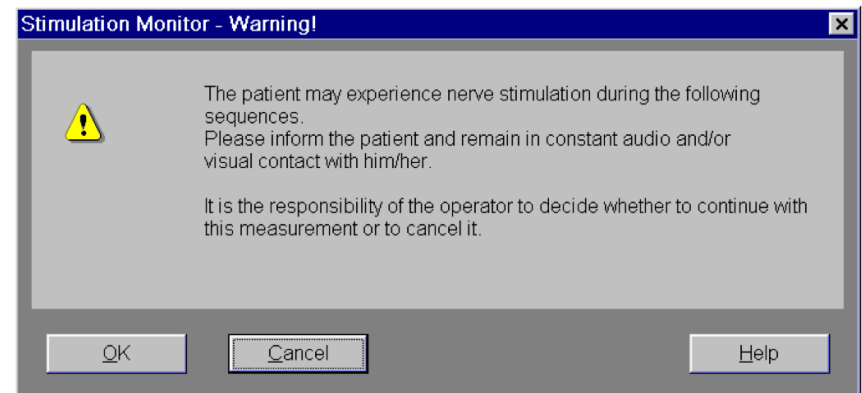
FOR AIMD WE ALSO NEED LEAD INFORMATION:

Location of the lead _____

Model # of the lead _____

- Device type and Group (1-5): **Group 1** ▼ (See [Worksheet 1](#))
Check all that apply and attach information:
 - ☐ Manufacturer's recommendations
 - ☐ Safe
 - ☐ Conditional
 - ☐ Unsafe
 - ☐ Unclear or Does Not State
 - ☐ Cannot be located
 - ☐ Copy of Implant card
 - ☐ MRsafety.com references
 - ☐ Pertinent Literature (articles or documentation)
- All Group 2-5 devices need RBA by a Level 2 Certified MR Radiologist Attached by technologist (check all that apply):
 - ☐ Operative notes -- Filename: **Browse...** No file selected.
(Download [Click here](#))

<http://newjersey.news12.com/news/mri-explosion-at-oradell-animal-hospital-injures-3-1.10026427?firstfree=yes>



<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2890088/Two-hospital-workers-spend-FOUR-HOURS-pinned-MRI-machine-metal-oxygen-tank-catapulted-room-device-s-giant-magnet-turned-on.html>

Zone 4 Planning

- Siting the magnet
 - Decision on vendor
 - Field Strength
 - Coils
 - Doors and line of site for technologists
 - Technologist should be able to see the pt. in the magnet while they are scanning
 - Cameras can be a nice adjunct but not the primary visual monitoring
 - Doors that open in? Out?
 - Pressure release valves/hatches
 - How many doors?
 - Venting for cryogenics
 - Marked and checked at least annually
 - O2 sensors
 - Vent fans
 - Quench button(s)

Incorporating safety in your design

- Ferrous Metal Detectors
- Staff Education and access
- Equipment in Zone 3 and 4
- Vendor sourcing for non-ferrous equipment
- Ancillary planning and education for maintaining the environment
 - Service
 - Cleaning



Magnetic Shielding



Silicon Steel Shielding



Steel Plate Shielding

Scan Room doors



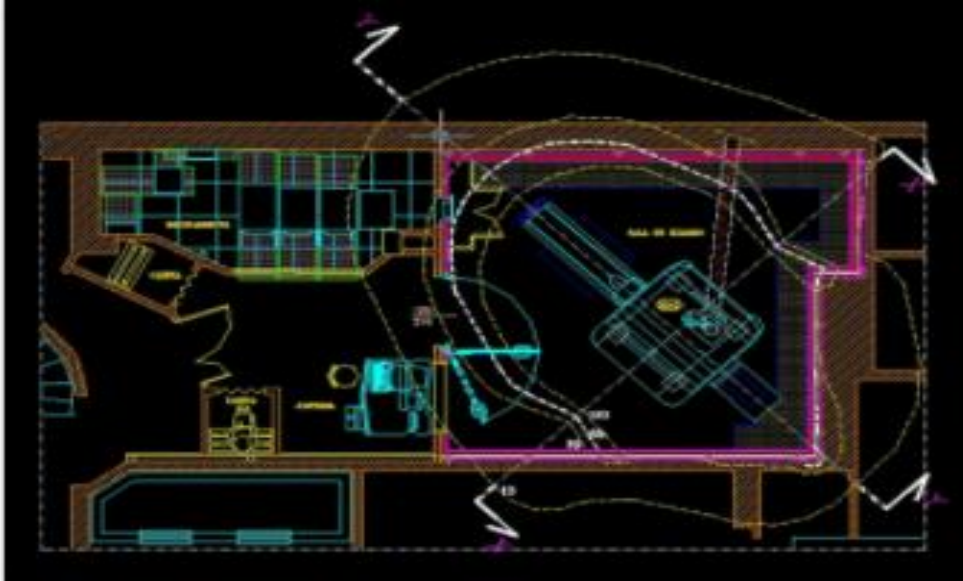
Inside the Scan Room



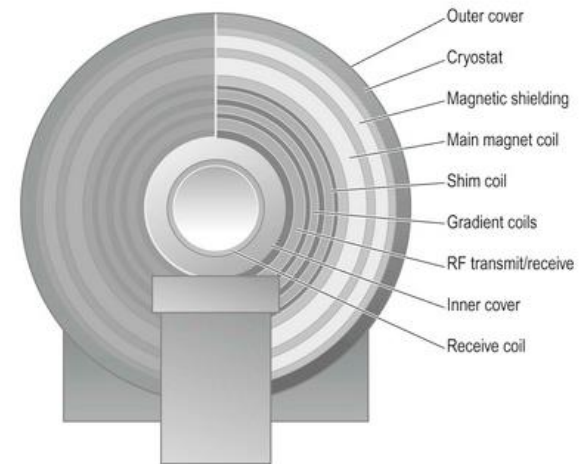
- Cabinets and supplies
 - Storing contrast and meds
 - Needles and sharps
 - Coils
 - Phantoms
- Infection Control
- Linen, trash, etc....
- Furniture (chairs, tables)

Magnetic Field Shielding

- Passive
 - Usually ferromagnetic material in walls and floor
- Active
 - superconducting windings in the scanner that opposes (contains) the magnetic field

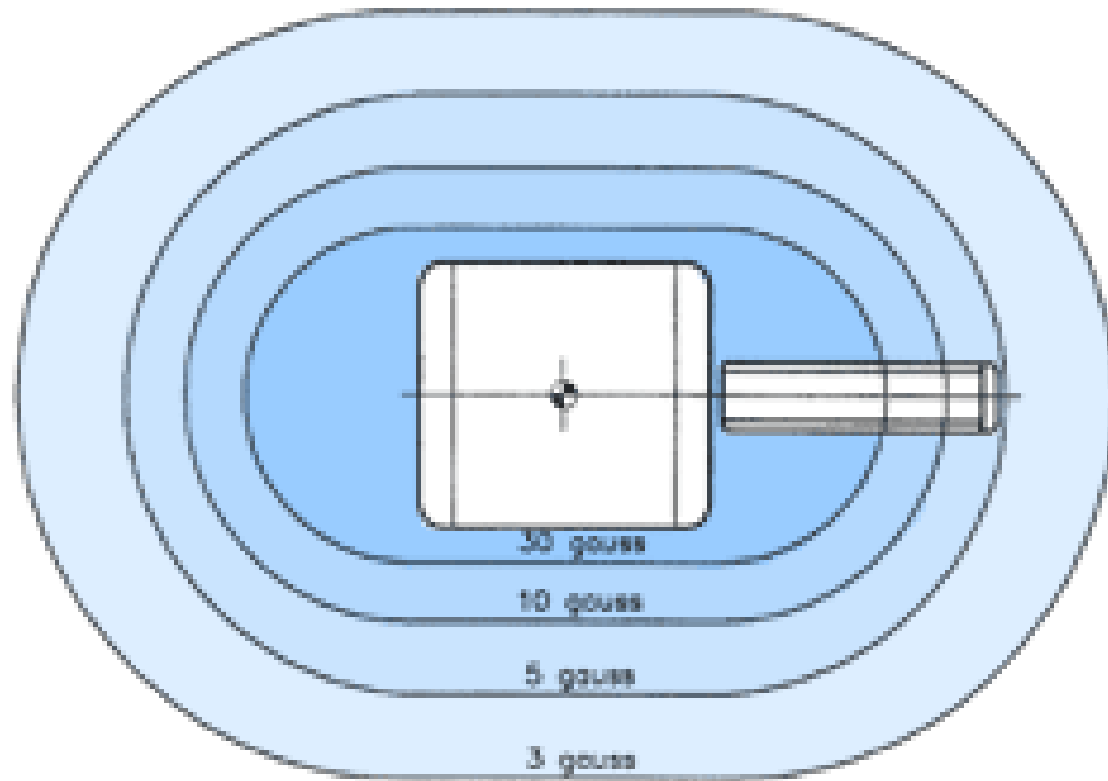


<http://www.itelte.it/en/cnt/passive-shielding>



<http://radiologykey.com/magnetic-resonance-imaging-8/>

Gauss lines in the scan room



Equipment in Zone 4



Before you try this...



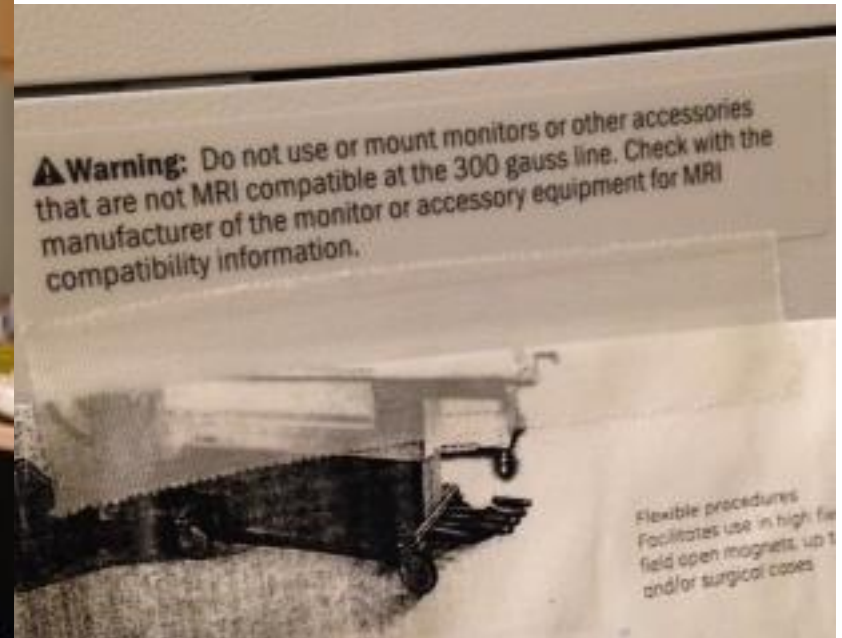
<https://www.draeger.com/Products/Image/fabius-mri-mt-0753-2008-us.jpg>

Guidelines for Zone 4 equipment

- Test it! Does it have any ferrous components
- Read the labeling-Follow the conditions
- Label EVERYTHING
- Mark your floor-gauss lines
- Plan workflow and educate ALL staff who use the equipment AND function in the site



Zone 4 Equipment planning





Planning for your Faraday Cage

- RF interference/Noise can be caused by many influences

Walls

Doors

Music system for pts

Equipment living in Zone 4

Outside Noise –phones, radio, etc.

Lights, vent fans and occasionally the MR itself

Wave guides for external use-fMRI, IV's, etc.

Cooper lined Scan room



Cryogenics



Cryogen Safety

- Helium
 - Liquid Helium
 - Most commonly used element in superconductive magnets today
 - Boils at -437°F
 - Expands 737 to 1 when converting liquid to gaseous state
 - Natural resource
 - Expensive
 - Limited supply



Quench video (from Jim Stuppino)



Training and Planning for Emergencies

- Education
 - Yearly reminders
 - Practice and mock drills
 - Posters and signs
 - Keep up with changes
 - In your physical space
 - Equipment, upgrades
- Policies
 - Fire
 - Natural Disaster
 - Projectile incident
 - Burns
 - Contrast reactions and codes
 - Reporting and follow-up

Reporting Adverse Events

- Requirement for Joint Commission and ACR
 - Most facilities have something in place
 - Policy detailing what, when and where to report
 - Training with staff
 - Writing a detailed report
 - Understanding that it is a “discoverable” document
 - Follow up and remediation
 - Careful scrutiny of the event
 - Retraining, new or updated policies
 - Occasionally disciplinary action
 - » Culture of staff support and freely reporting is important

Resource list

The Safe Medical Devices Act of 1990

The Joint Commission: Sentinel Event Alert,
Issue 38, Feb. 14, 2008

Medicare Improvements for Patients and
Providers Act (MIPPA) of 2008

<http://www.acr.org/Quality-Safety/Radiology-Safety/MR-Safety>

<http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/AlertsandNotices/ucm135362.htm>

<http://www.fda.gov/radiationemittingproducts/radiationemittingproductsandprocedures/medicalimaging/mri/ucm482765.htm>