



# RADIATION BIODOSIMETRY UPDATE

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# Radiation Biodosimetry Program

Objective: Develop rapid, accurate FDA-cleared biodosimetry diagnostic assays/systems to inform patient management, improve health and psychosocial outcomes, and save lives.

Two types of biodosimetry test are under development:

- **Point of Care Triage Screening Tests** to discern individuals needing medical evaluations from those who can evacuate
- **High Throughput Laboratory Screening Tests** to report the absorbed dose an individual received and inform further care



# High Throughput Laboratory AR&D Biodosimetry Projects

- Active Projects:
  - Arizona State University/  
ThermoFisher
  - Northrop Grumman/  
MetaSystems
  - Duke University /  
DxTerity/ ThermoFisher
- All Entering Verification / Analytical Testing  
Phase



# High Throughput Laboratory Project Bio-Shield Contract(s)

- Solicitation Published on June 6, 2016
  - Product Verification / Clinical Testing
  - Acquisition of Initial Stockpile
  - Maintenance of Stockpile through 2026
- Contract Awards Made to 2 Teams on September 30, 2016
  - MRI/ASU/ThermoFisher
  - DxTerity/Duke/ThermoFisher



# Point of Care Biodosimetry AR&D Projects

- Active Projects:
  - SRI International
  - Meso Scale \
- Project Bio-Shield Solicitation Envisioned later in FY2017



# Continuing Biodosimetry Interests

## BAA 16-100-SOL-0001 Area of Interest Six:

- **6.1 Self Assessment Tool:**  
Development of a dosimetry self-assessment tool to determine if an individual has been exposed to ionizing radiation at a dose equal to or greater than 2 Gy.
- **6.2 Biodosimetry Systems:**  
BARDA is interested in more advanced development of rapid point- of-care diagnostic assays and/or a centralized high-throughput assay systems
- **6.3. Dicentric Chromosome Assay:**  
Development of an improvement on the current dicentric chromosome assay (DCA) in terms of ease of use, time for performance, statistical certainty of dose, improved dose range, and biomarker lifespan.

