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Collaboration with International Organizations Lessons from Fukushima

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Build Back Better together

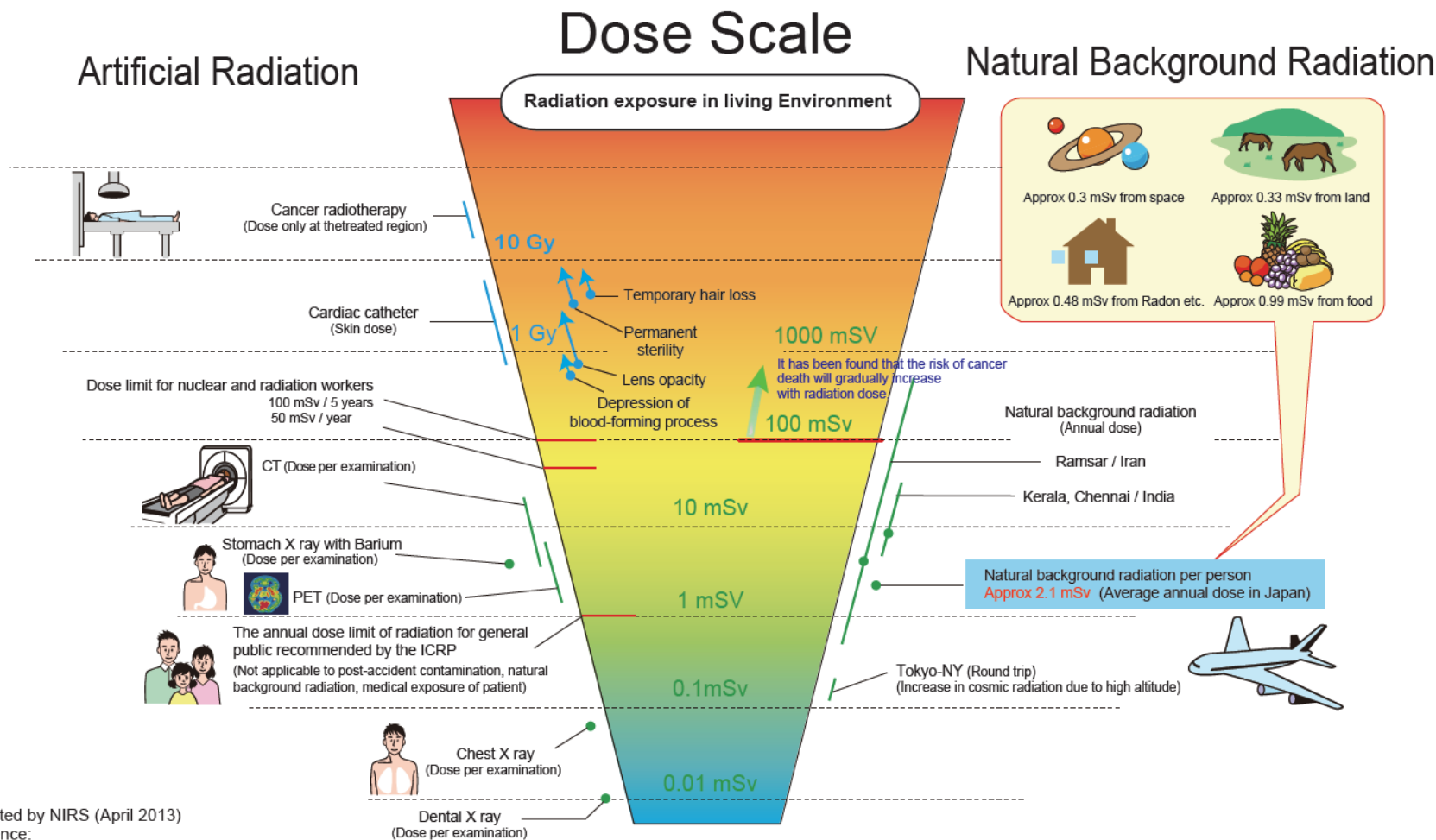
Session 3.11: Sharing Lessons from Fukushima with Japan and the World

Saturday March 2nd 6:15-7:00 am CET

Outline

- General overview of radiation exposure.
- How do patients, as well as local population concerned with radiation effects, process information
- Radiation risk assessment and communication
- Examples of IAEA support during Fukushima
- The IAEA Division of Human Health in collaboration with the Hiroshima University, Fukushima Medical University, and Nagasaki University, among others, STS projects in radiation, health, and society over the years
- Rays of Hope initiative and the new STS project

Communicating Radiation Dose



Illustrated by NIRS (April 2013)

Reference:

- UNSCEAR 2008.
- ICRP 2007 Recommendations.
- The Guidelines for Medical Exposure by Japan Association of Radiological Technologists.
- Radiation in the living environment, new version. (Radiation Safety Research Association, 2011) etc.

[Note]

1. The numerical values are approximate figures based on significant digits.
2. The scales shown by the dotted lines are a logarithmic display. Each step up on the scale represents ten times more than the previous step.
3. This chart is subject to revision without notice.

Units of dose

Absorbed dose to each organ or tissue: Gy
The unit to show energy received per unit weight (J/kg) at each organ or tissue exposed to radiation.

Effective dose: mSv
The dose of radiation to the entire human body considering sensitivity of each organ or tissue to cancer and hereditary effects. This unit of dose is used for radiation protection.

When the entire human body is evenly exposed to gamma rays at an absorbed dose of 1 Gy, the dose is equivalent to 1000 mSv as effective dose.



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Adult dose compared to Background Radiation Level

Exam	Reference level (time to receive equivalent background radiation)
Chest X-ray PA / LAT	2.4 days / 12 days
Mammography	1 ½ months
Abdomen / Pelvis X-ray	3 months
Head CT	8 months
Lung Perfusion (Tc ^{99m})	8 months
Thyroid scan (Tc ^{99m})	1 ½ years
Brain (Tc ^{99m})	2 years
Abdominal CT	2 ½ years
Cardiac Stress Test (depending on isotope/protocol)	3 years – 13 ½ years
Cardiac PET (¹⁸ F-FDG)	5 years
High resolution Chest CT (e.g. pulmonary embolism, angiogram)	5 years
<i>* Using an average background radiation level of 3 mSv/yr and Tables 8-11</i>	

Contextualize

Reasoning tailored for patients and returnees

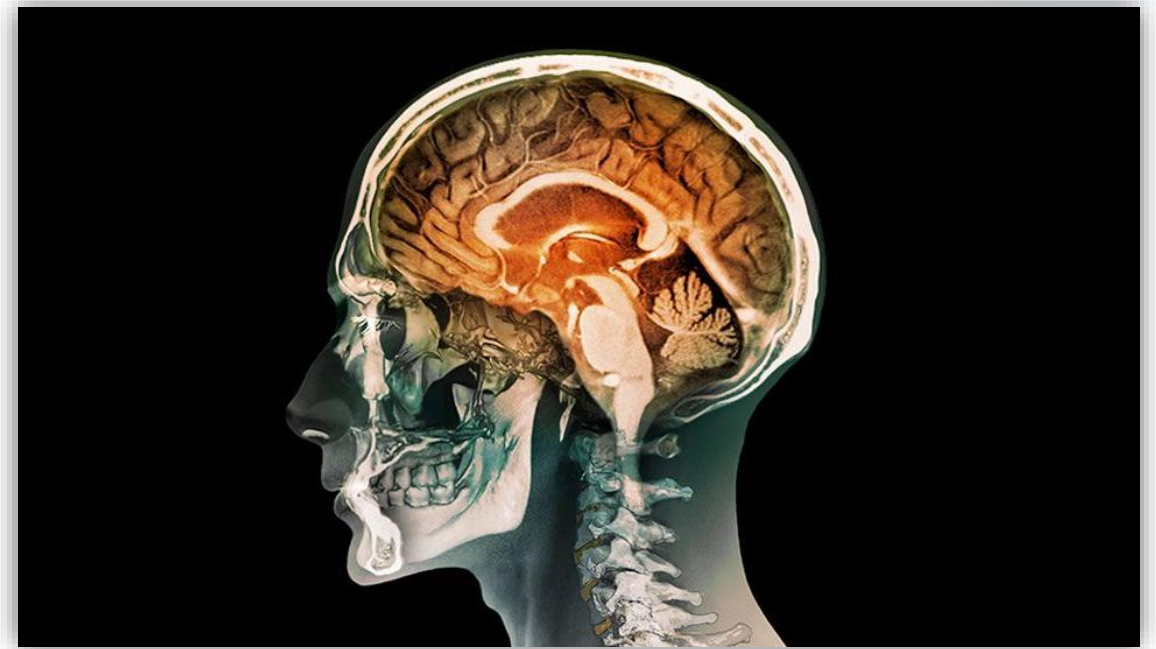
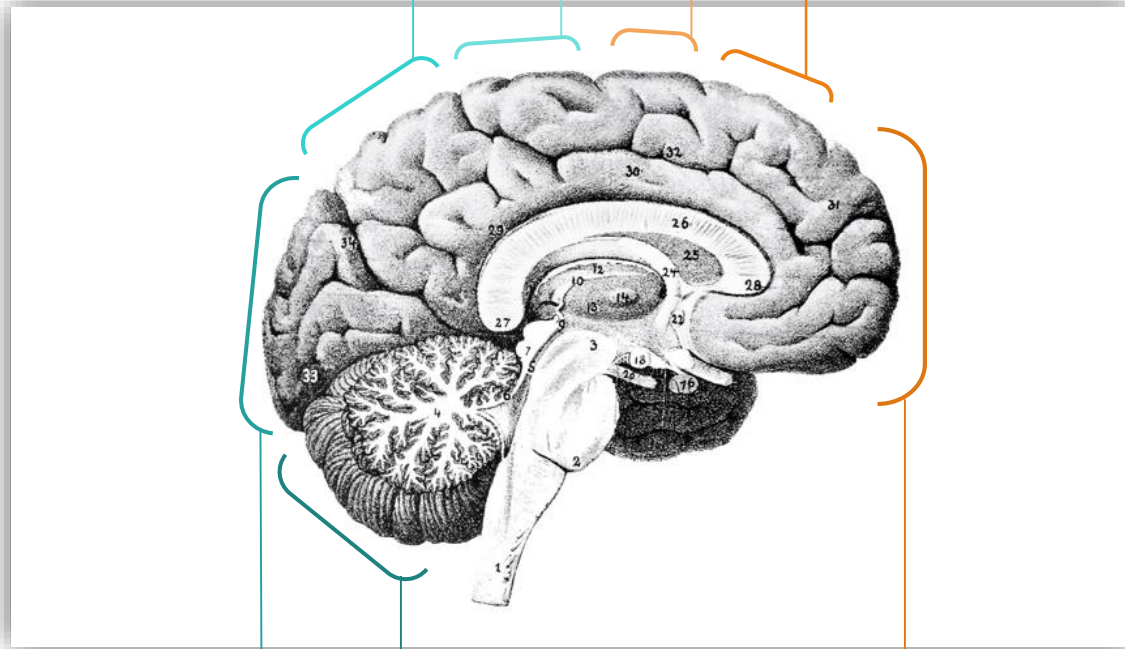
Classic Human Brain Anatomy and Physiological Activities

Parietal Lobe: Sensory from Skin and Muscles

Initiation of Voluntary Muscles

Multi-Sensory Processing

Frontal Lobe: Orientation, Head and Eye Movements & Posture

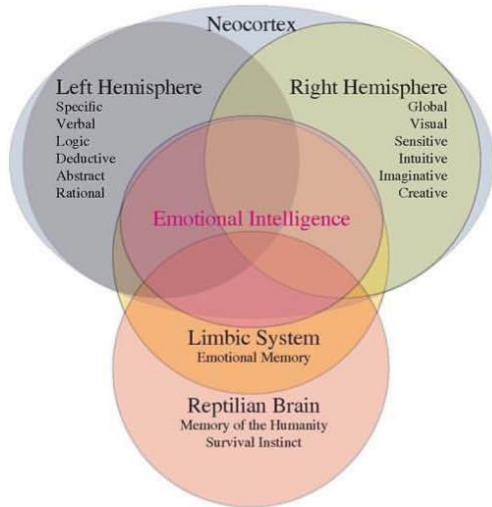


Frontal Lobe: Problem Solving, Creativity, Emotional Expression & Behavioural Control

Cerebellum: Voluntary Movements, Posture, Balance, Co-ordination & Speech

Occipital Lobe: Perception, Eye Movements, Visual Memory & Association

Anatomy of Human Brain and Physiologic Activities



PRIMATE "THINKING" BRAIN:

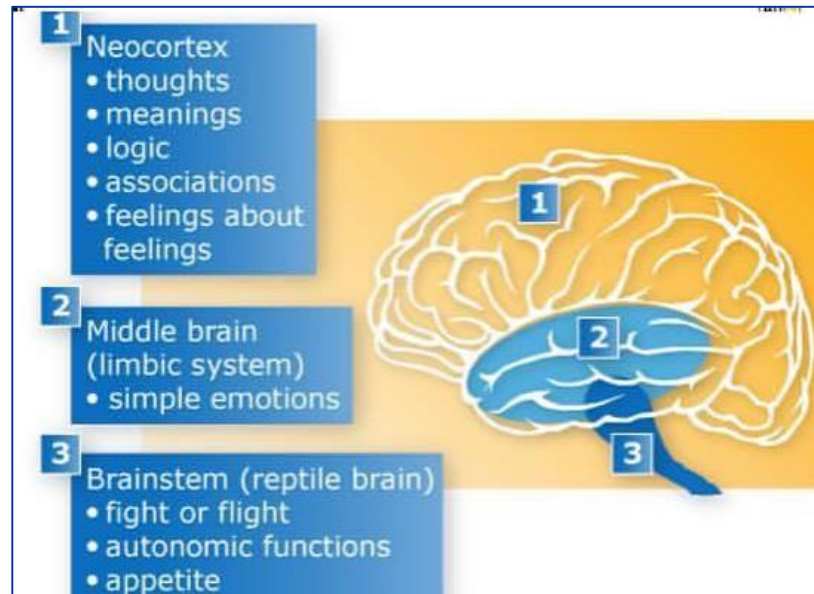
- **Brain region** Neo cortex
- **Responsible for** sensory perception, spatial reasoning, generation of motor commands, conscious thought, intellectual memory
- **Happy when** learning, anticipating future reward, connected to higher purpose, in flow
- **Evolutionary role** predicting brain that helps the community thrive

MAMMILIAN "FEELING" BRAIN:

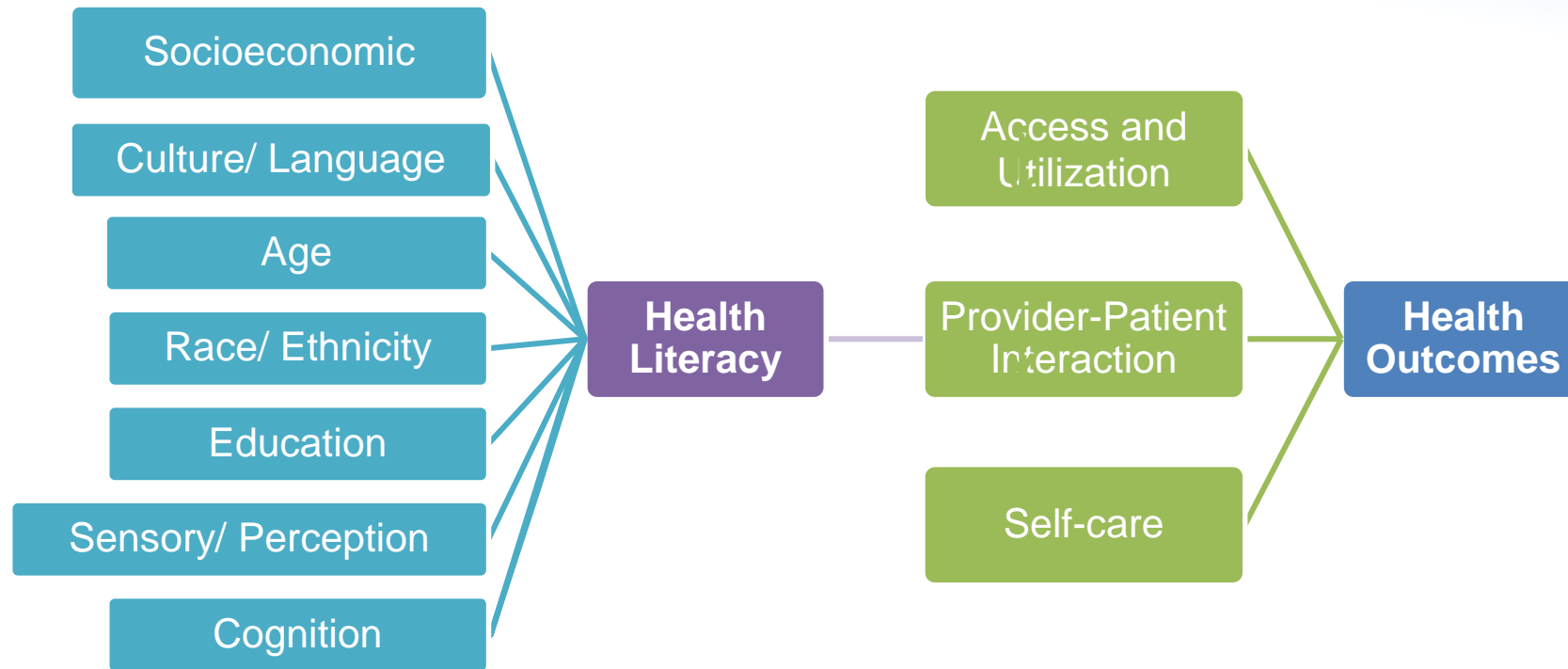
- **Brain region** Limbic system (includes amygdala / fear center & nucleus accumbens / pleasure center.)
- **Responsible for** (positive) emotions, learning, emotional memory and spirituality
- **Happy when** feel trust, social bonds, higher status
- **Evolutionary role** social brain that helps the community survive

REPTILIAN "INSTINCTIVE" BRAIN:

- **Brain region** brain stem
- **Responsible for** the 4 F's - fight, flight, feed and fornicate (wired for danger and therefore negative emotions)
- **Happy when** safe from danger
- **Evolutionary role** selfish brain that helps us survive individually



Health Literacy

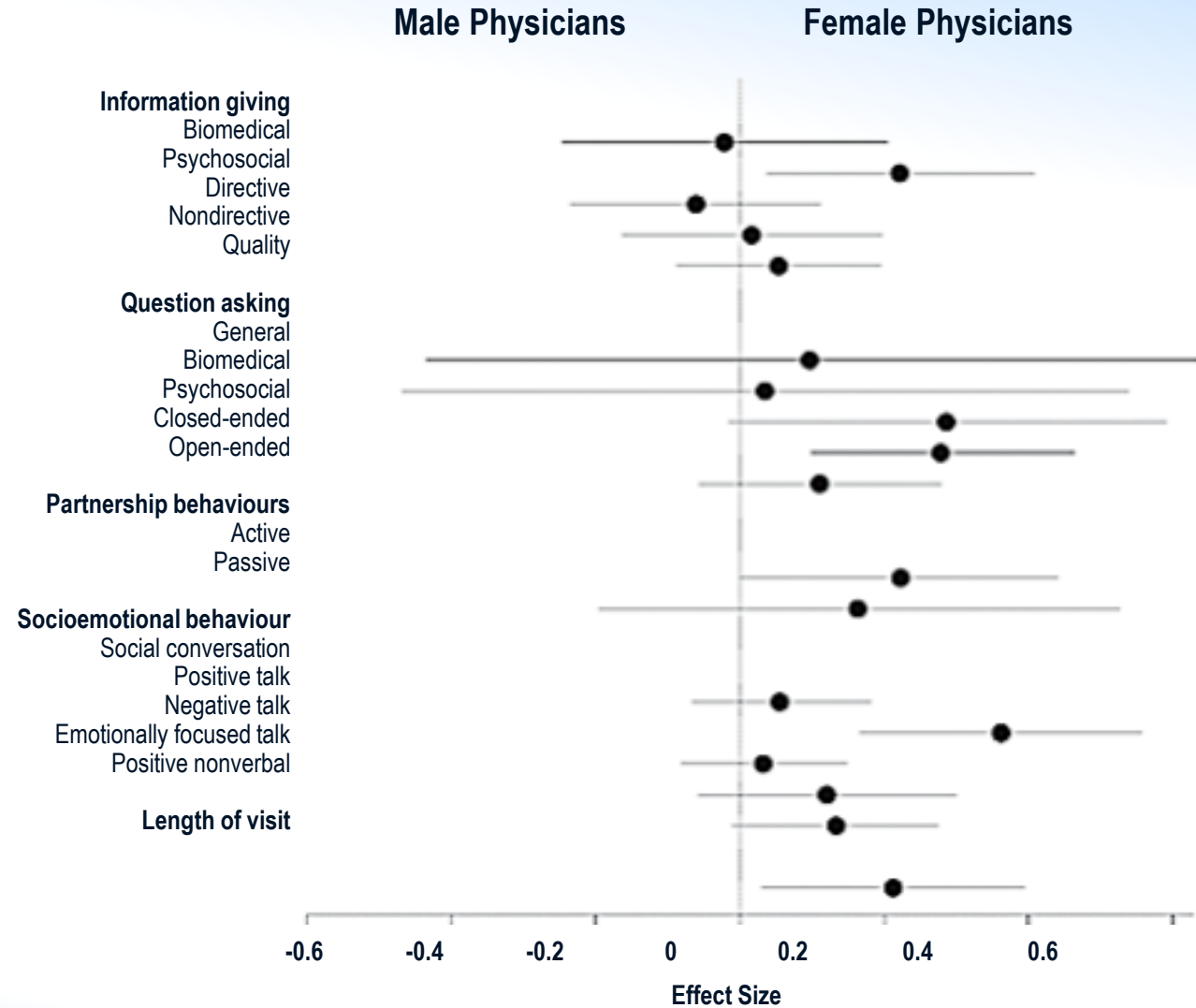




Gender-specific differences doctor-patient communication

Estimated pooled gender effect sizes for categories of patient-physician communication

Base: 23 observational studies and 3 large physician-report studies reported in 29 publications met inclusion criteria and were rated



*Error bars indicate 95% confidence intervals

Communication and messages

- **KEEP IT SIMPLE:**
 - Develop messages at a 6th grade reading level
 - Avoid jargon and scientifically complex terms.
- **KEEP IT BRIEF:**
 - Make messages for the public brief, concise and clear.
- **KEEP IT TO THE POINT:**
 - Follow the 27/9/3 rule.

In high-stress situations, a spokesperson is judged primarily by actions/non-verbal communications before audience members ever listens to the message

Risk Communication Myth

You can't anticipate what people will ask

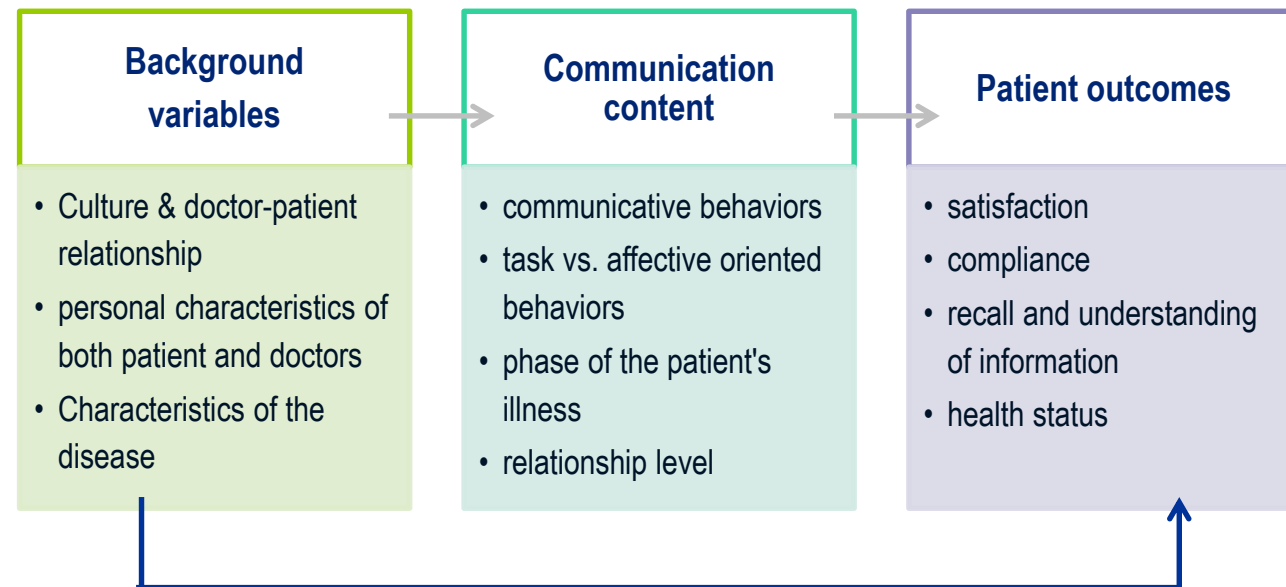
Truth

95 percent of all questions and concerns of all stakeholders for all controversies are predictable and can be anticipated in advance.

The Influence of Background Behaviours during Medical Encounters

Despite there is a clear trend towards open communication between doctors and patients worldwide, distinct characteristics may affect the doctor-patient interaction

Variables to be considered to improve communication in the medical setting



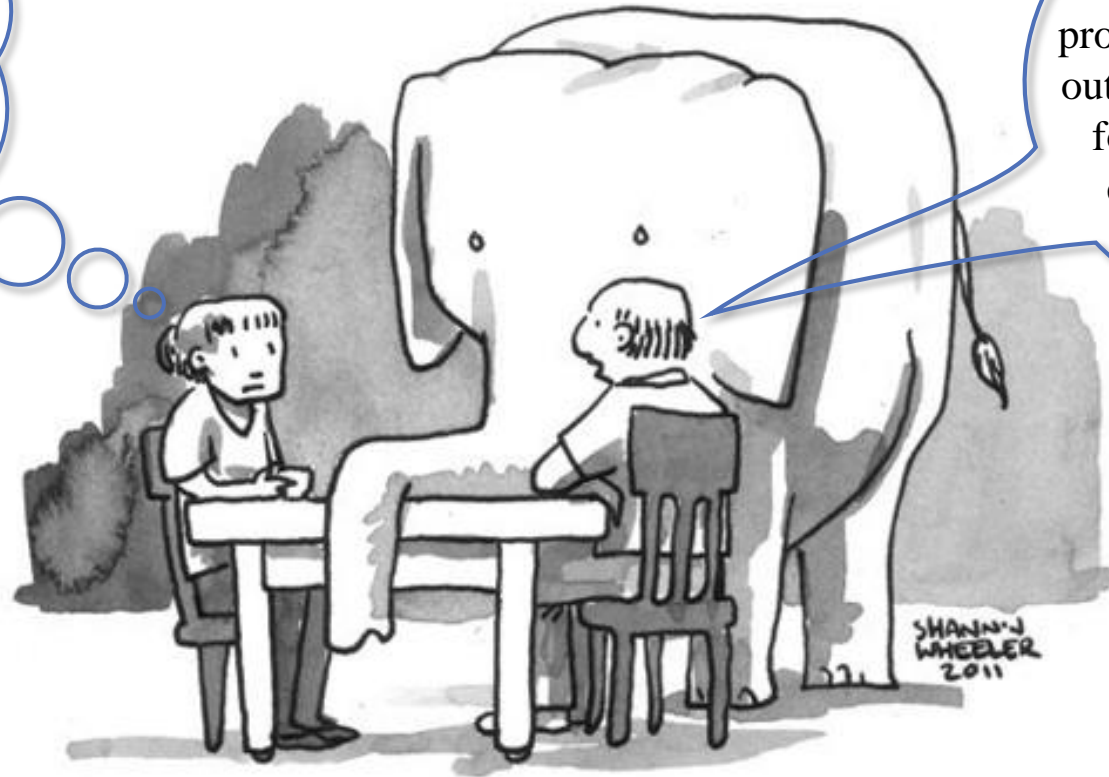
Communication and Messages

Myth:

Communicating risk is more likely to alarm people rather than calm them.

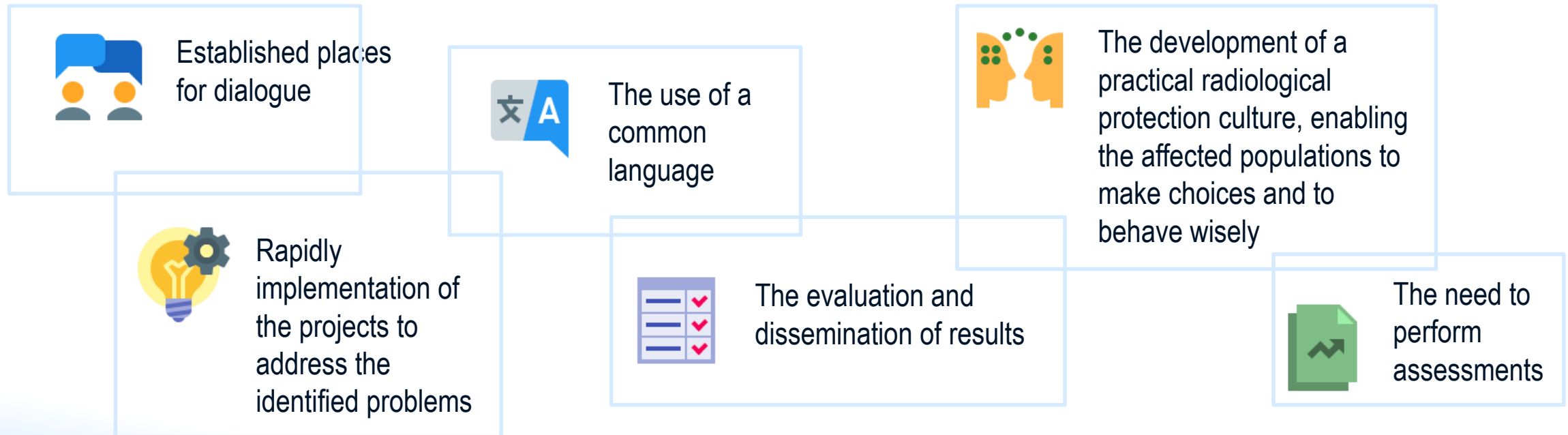
Truth:

This can be avoided if operated properly. Educate and inform the public, outlining the whole picture. Make space for them to voice their concerns, ask questions and process the answers.

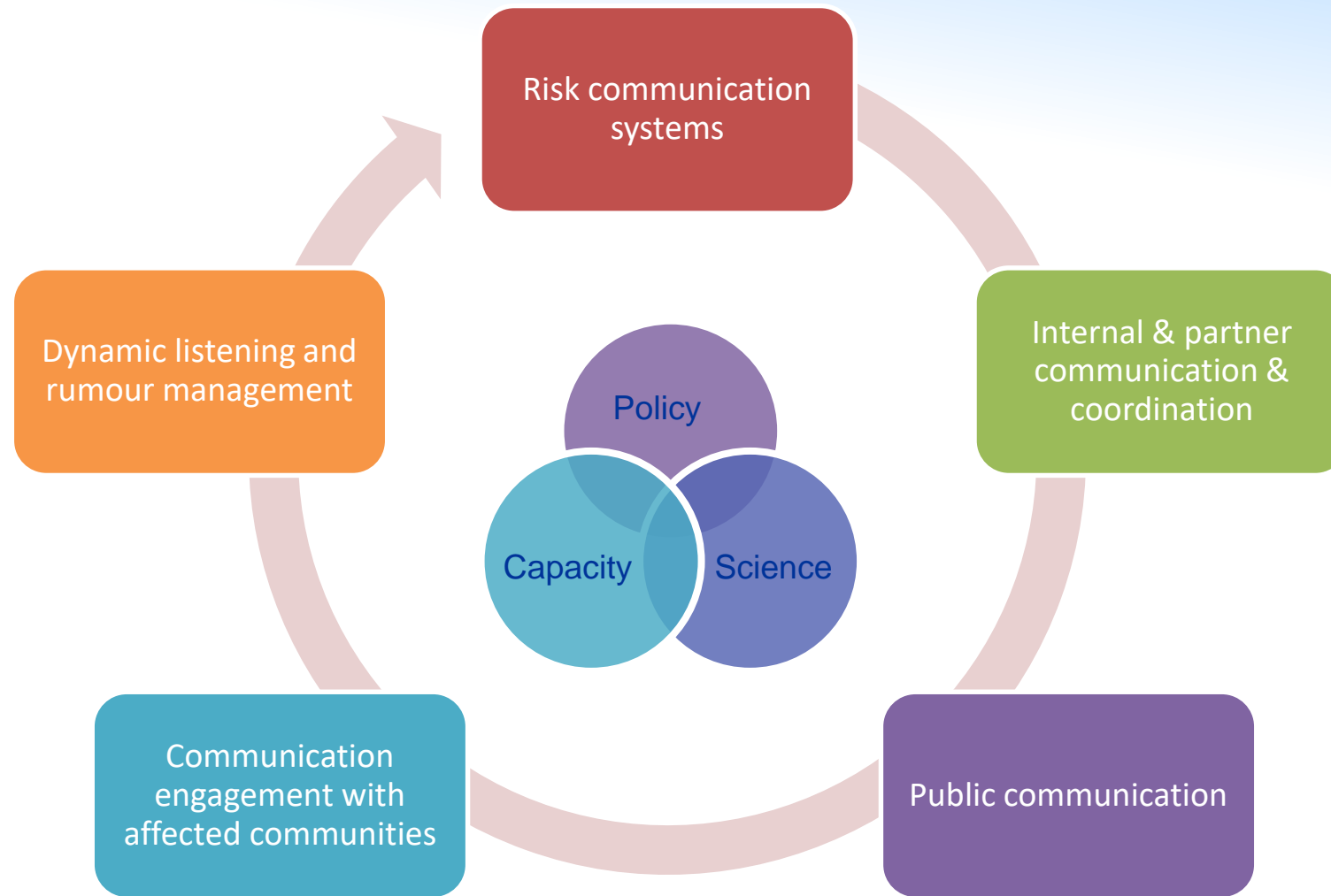


The role of experts in post accident recovery: lessons learnt from Chernobyl and Fukushima

Involvement and empowerment of the affected population to make informed decisions



Risk Communication

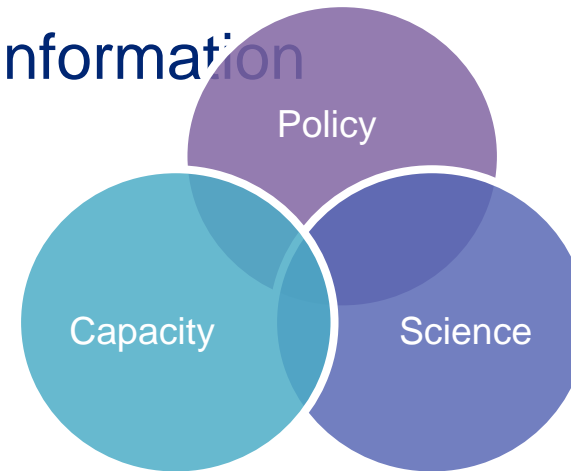


WHO Risk Communication Training: <http://www.who.int/risk-communication/training/module-b/en/index1.html>
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Why Improve Communication?

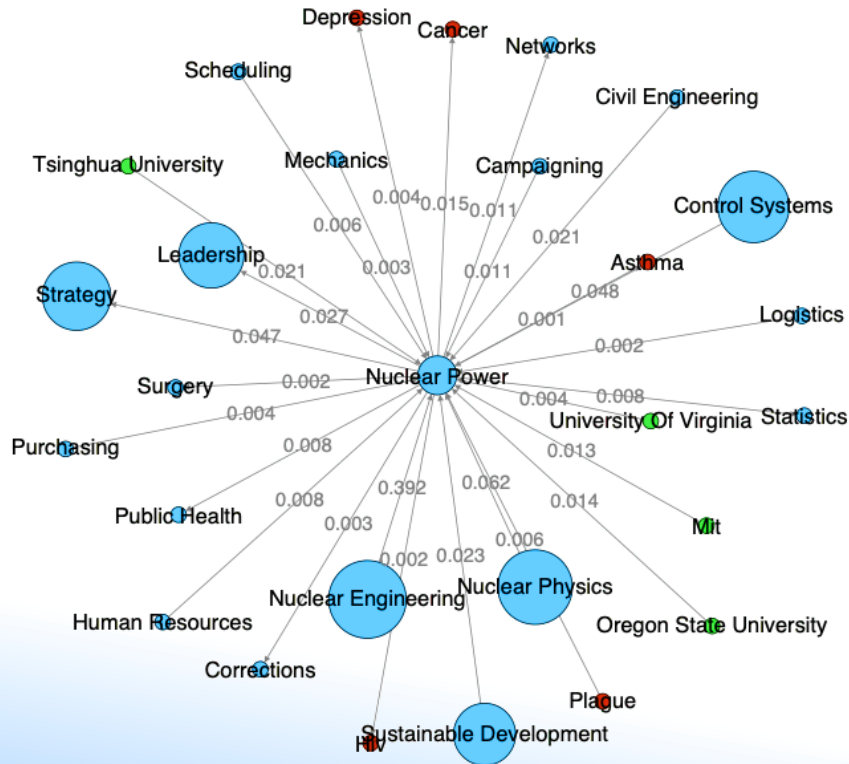
- Ineffective communication (in emergency situations) can result in negative consequences, i.e. public fear and confusion
- Quickly and effectively disseminate information
 - Technical facts
 - Individual Risk
 - Safety Information
- Close 'Communication Gap' between technical expertise and public understanding
- Increase public trust of official announcements and sources of information



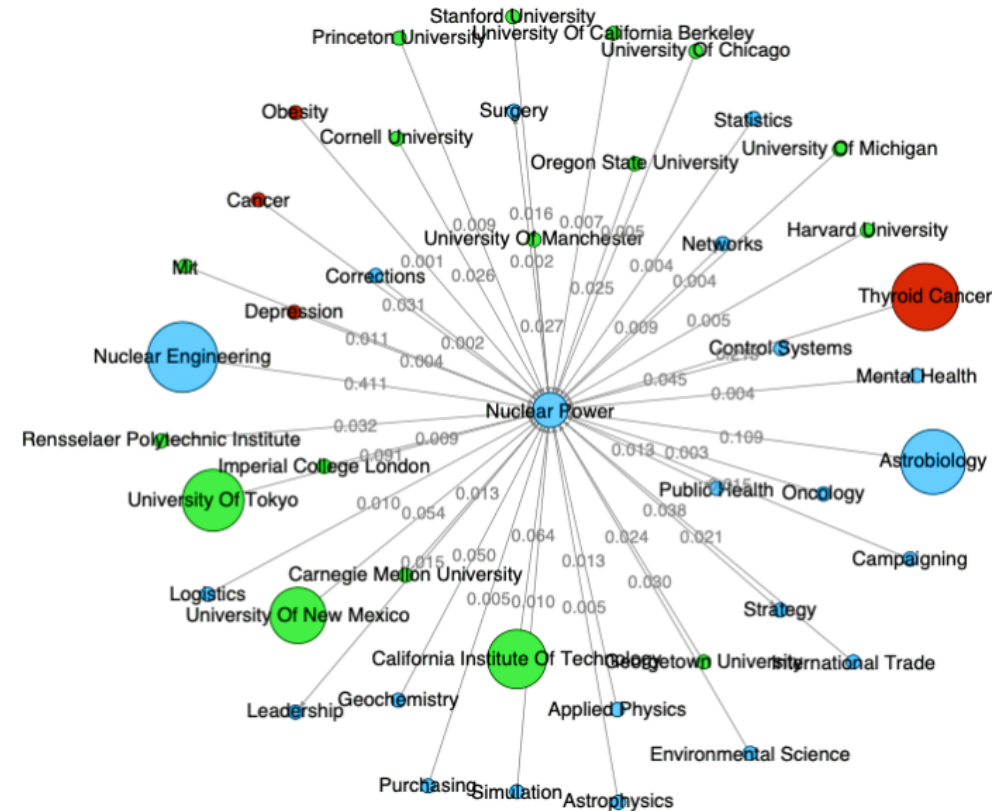
The Impact of the Fukushima Accident: Big Data Analysis

A comparison of the **associated universities (green)**, **topics (blue)** and **diseases (red)** found through association rule mining for 'Nuclear Power'

Before. 11th March 2011



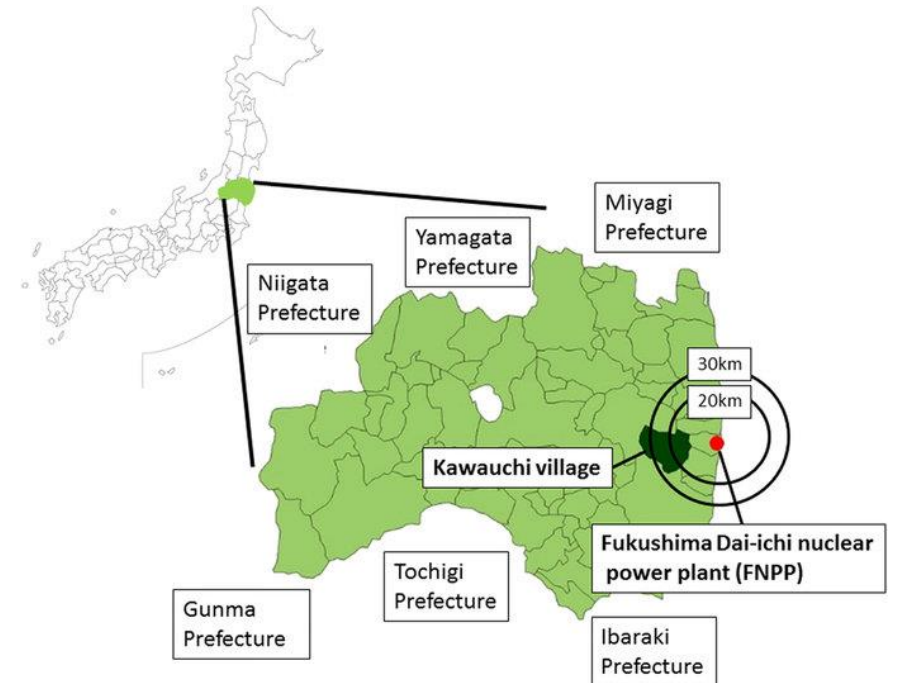
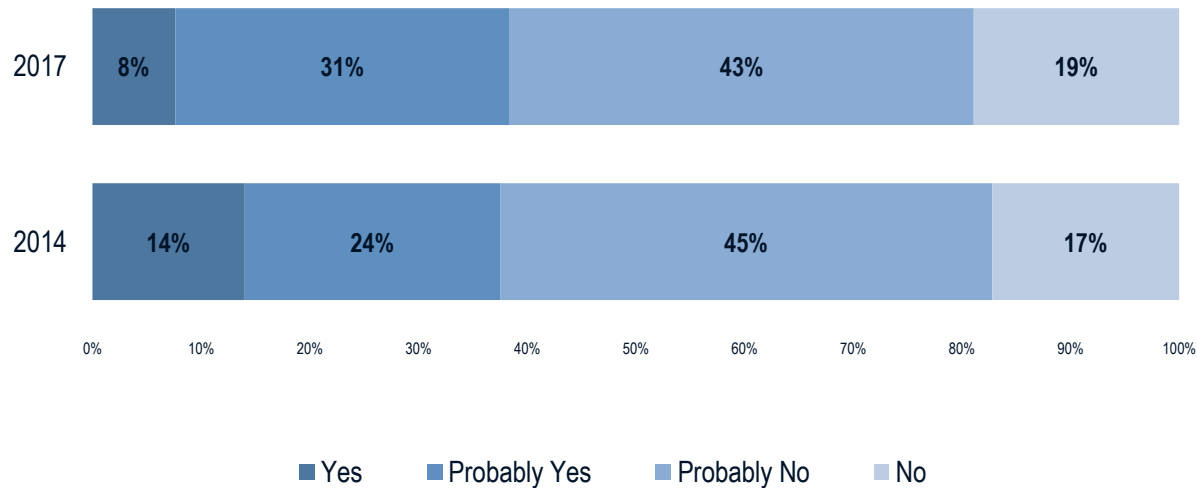
After. 11th March 2011



The gap between residents' risk perception and their actual exposure doses have not changed, even 7 years after the accident

Residents' perception that adverse health effects would occur from 1 mSv per year of radiation exposure

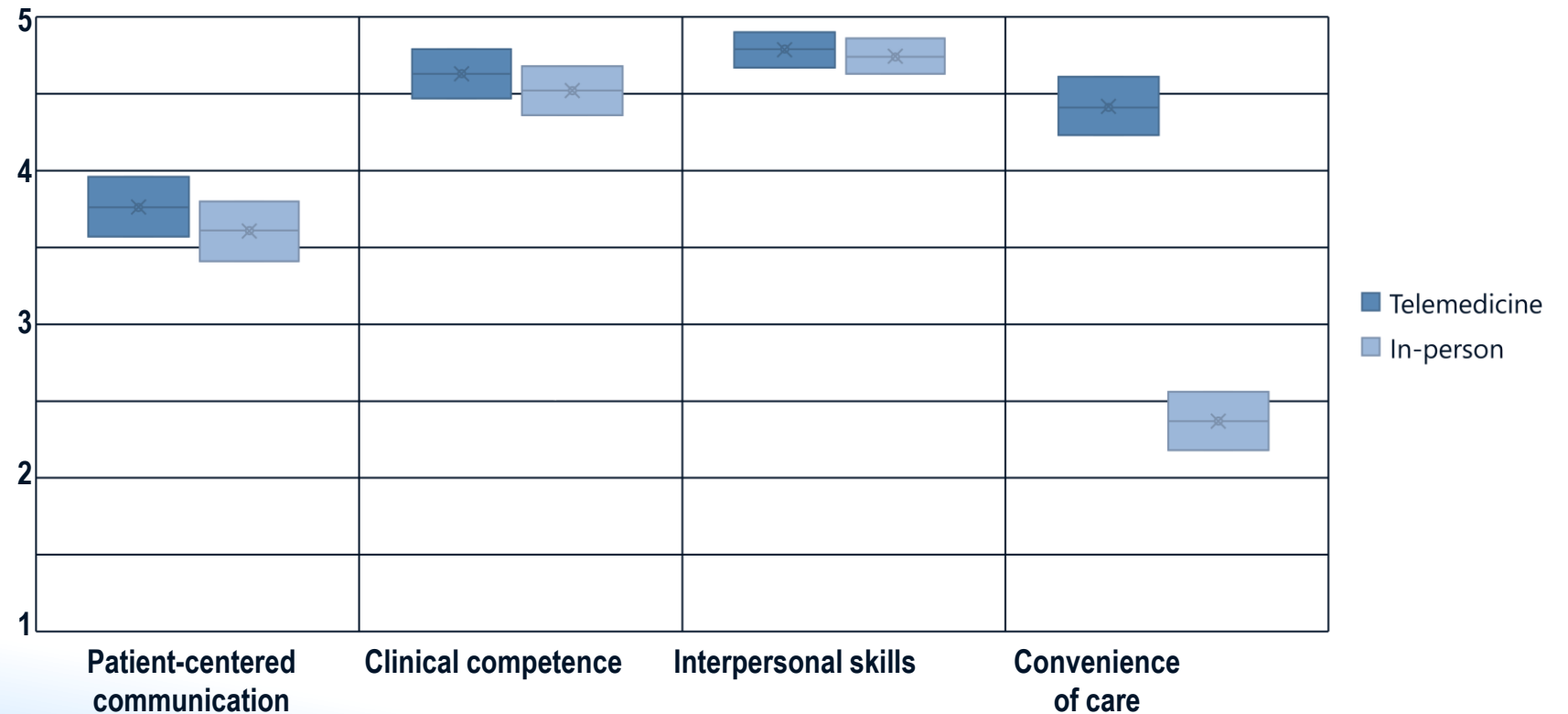
Comparison of Kawauchi residents' perception in 2014 and 2017



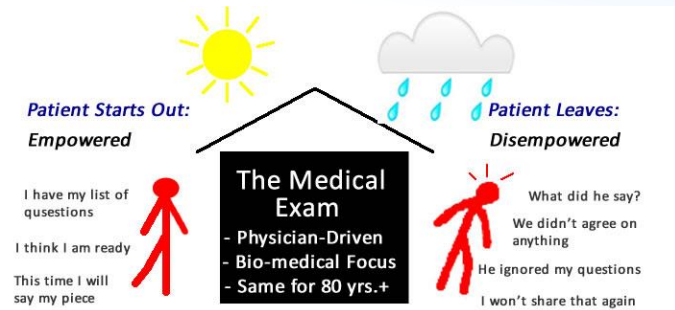
Patient satisfaction with Doctor-Patient communication during telemedicine

Research suggests that despite physical separation, communication during telemedicine is not inferior to communication during in person consultations

Patient satisfaction with Telemedicine versus In-Person consultation
(n = 221)

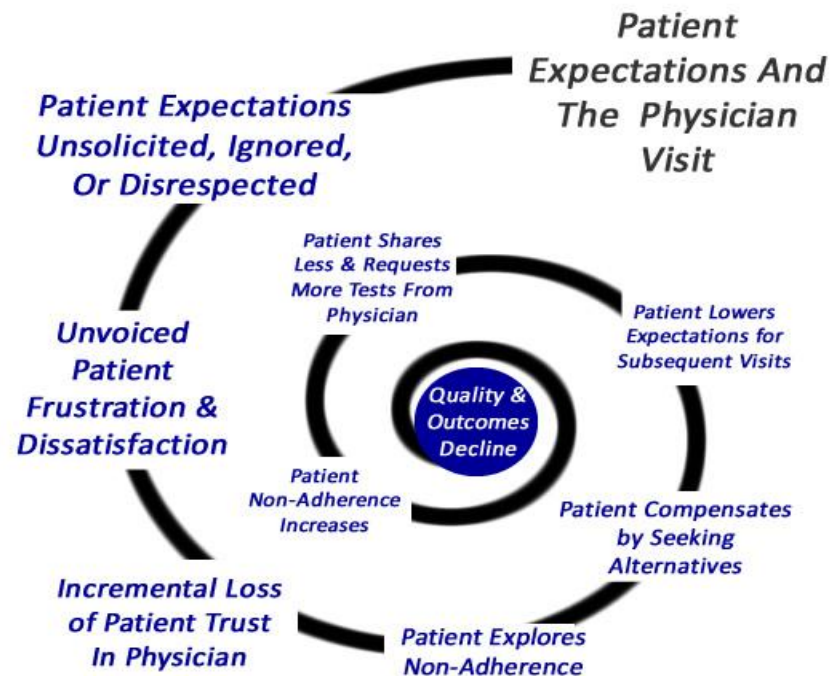


Patients' Perspectives



A Trip To The Doctor's Office or Medical Home
From the Patient's Perspective

By Steve Wilkins



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- Develop welcoming ritual
- Be present
- Choose positive words
- Nonverbal communication
- Ask open-ended questions
- Show empathy
- Ask-Tell-Ask
- Ensure buy-in through shared decision-making
- Leave on a good note

IAEA expertise (NA and NS)

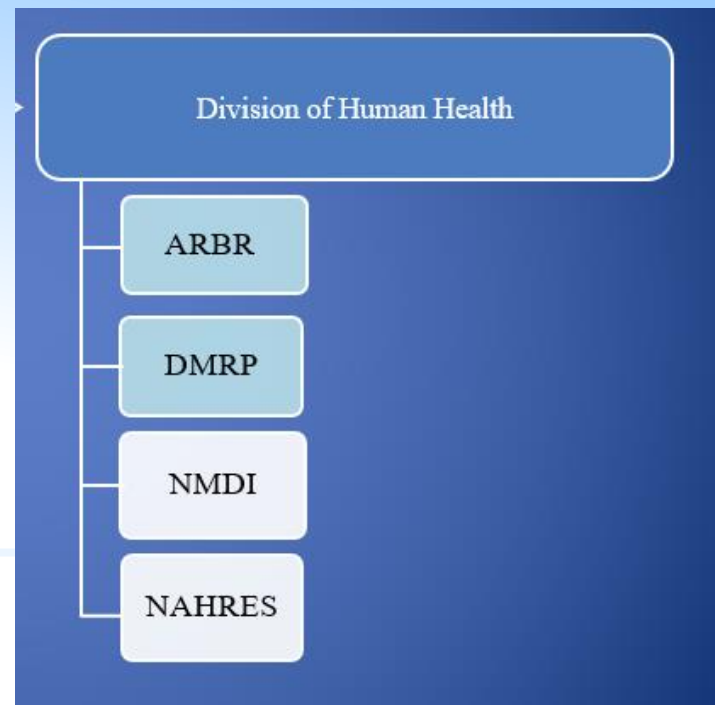
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 - Division of Human Health
 - NMDI, ARBR, DMRP, NAHRES, Directors Office

- **Department Nuclear Applications (NA)**

- Division of IAEA Environment Laboratories
 - Radiometrics, Radioecology, Marine environmental studies, Terrestrial Environment

- **Department Nuclear Applications (NA)**

- Joint FAO/IAEA Division of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture
 - Soil and Water Management and Crop Nutrition Section
 - NAFA-Food and Environmental Protection Section



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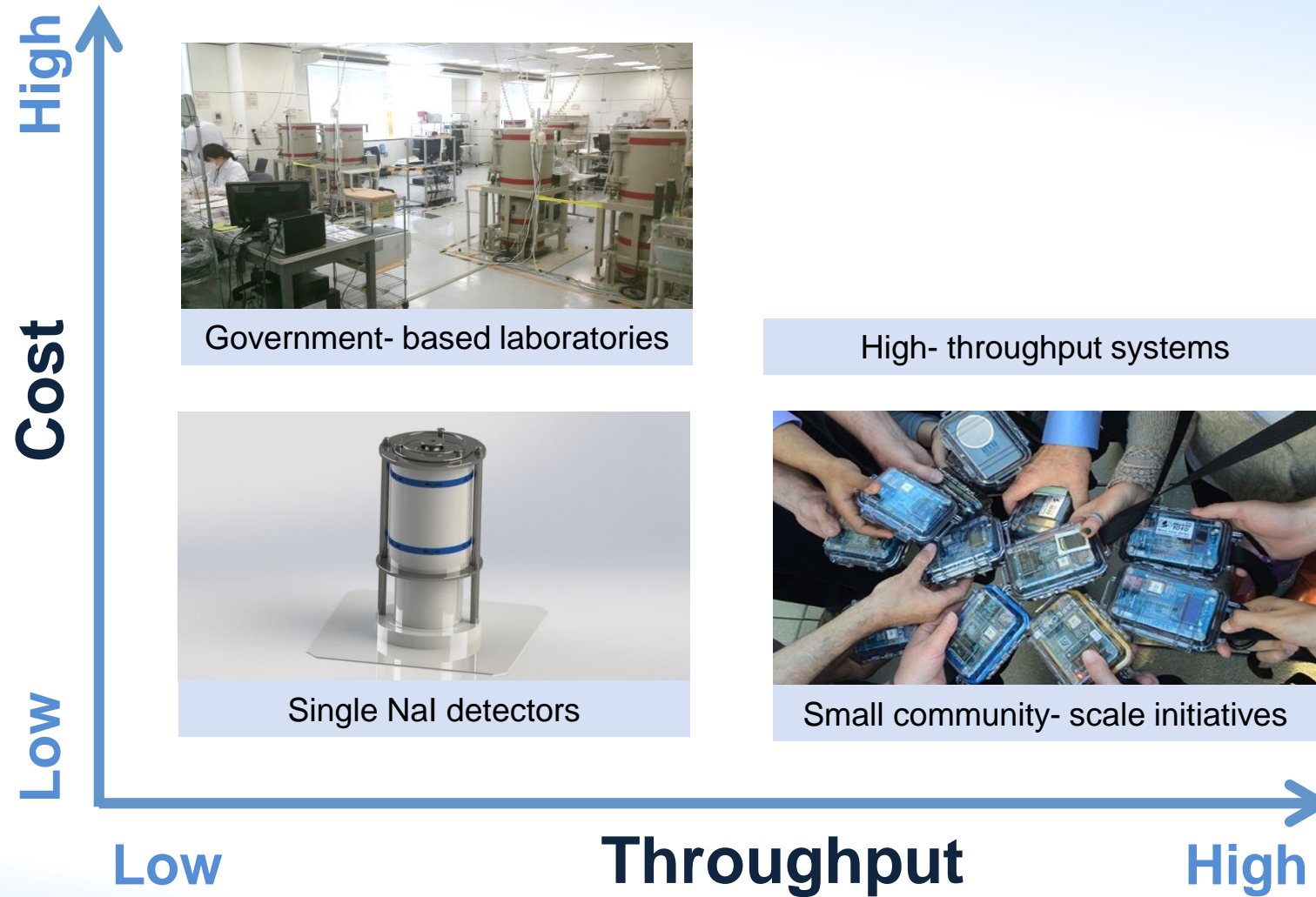


- **Department Nuclear Safety (NS)**
 - Incident and Emergency Centre
 - Crisis communication
 - Emergency Preparedness

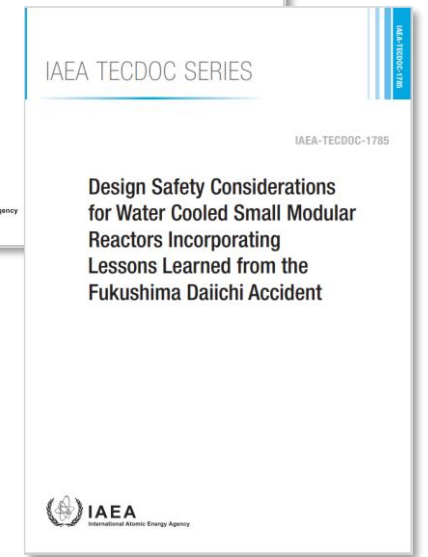
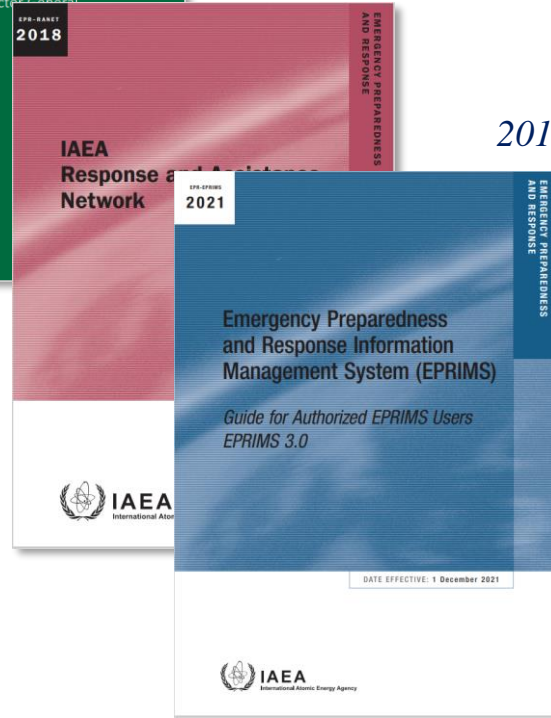
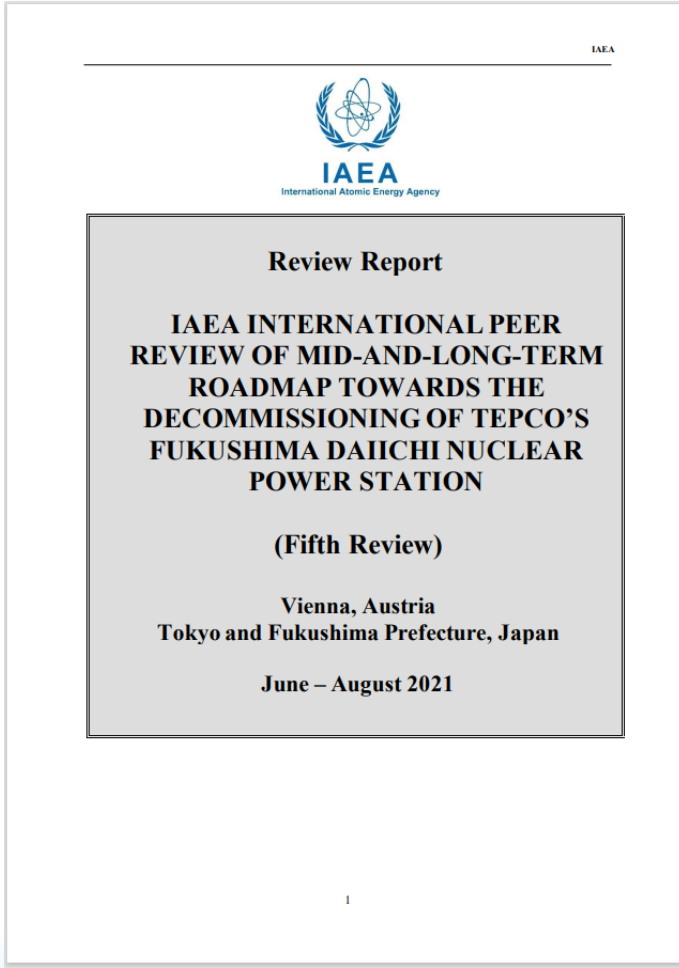
- **Department Nuclear Safety (NS)**
 - Division of Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety
 - NSRW-Radiation Safety and Monitoring Section

- **DGOC-Director General's Office for Coordination**
- **OPIC-Office of Public Information and Communication**
- **MTCD-Division of Conference and Document Services**
 - MTCD-Publishing Section

Cost and throughput relationship of measuring radioactivity in food during a nuclear emergency



Published Reports Examples



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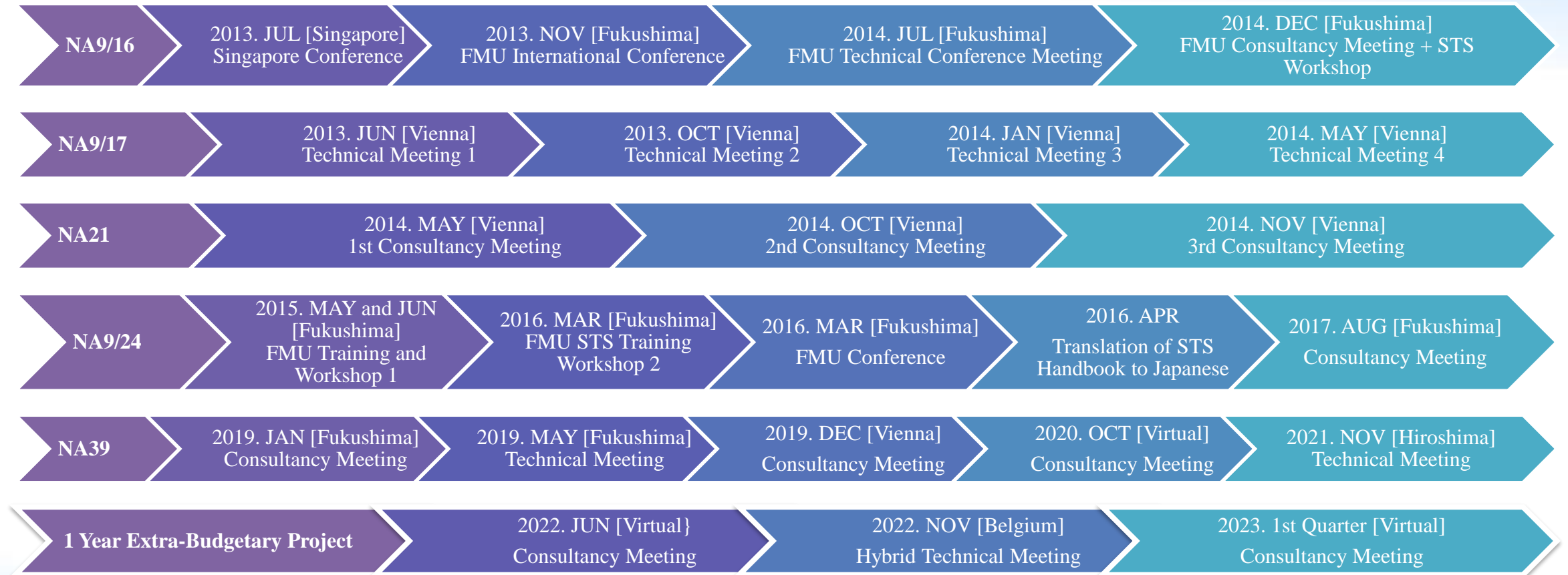
STS Approach

- **The interdisciplinary field of Science, technology and society studies (STS) deals with how science (and technology) is made, communicated, and acted upon in social, political, and cultural contexts.**

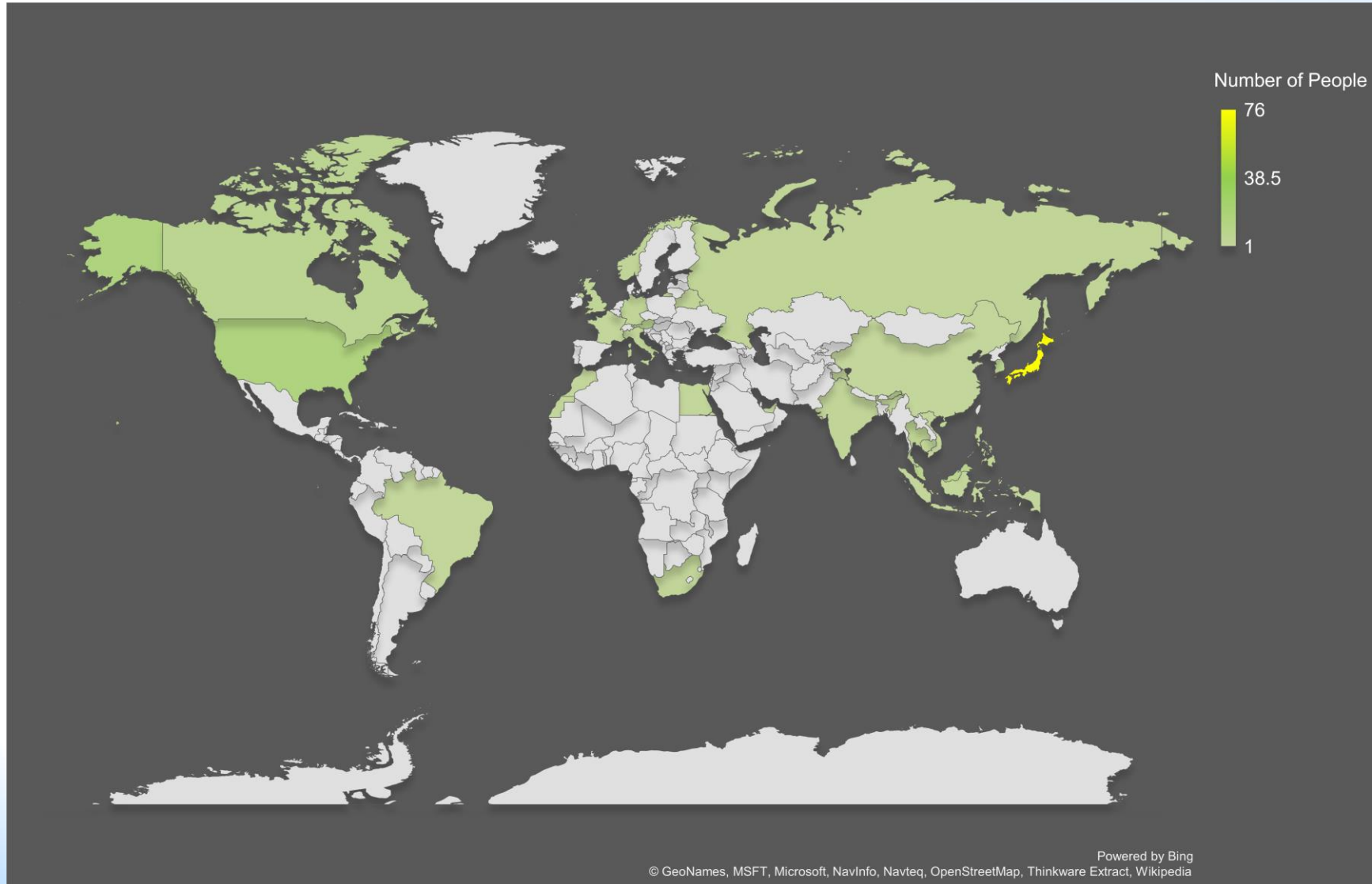


- **Communication strategy**
 - Contextualize information
 - Deflect distractions to allow focus on critical tasks
 - Provide a single source of information and standard communication protocols
 - Offload the need to retrieve, retain, and record information
 - Weed out extraneous information

Timeline of STS Projects and Medical Physics (NA21)



International Network 2012 - 2022

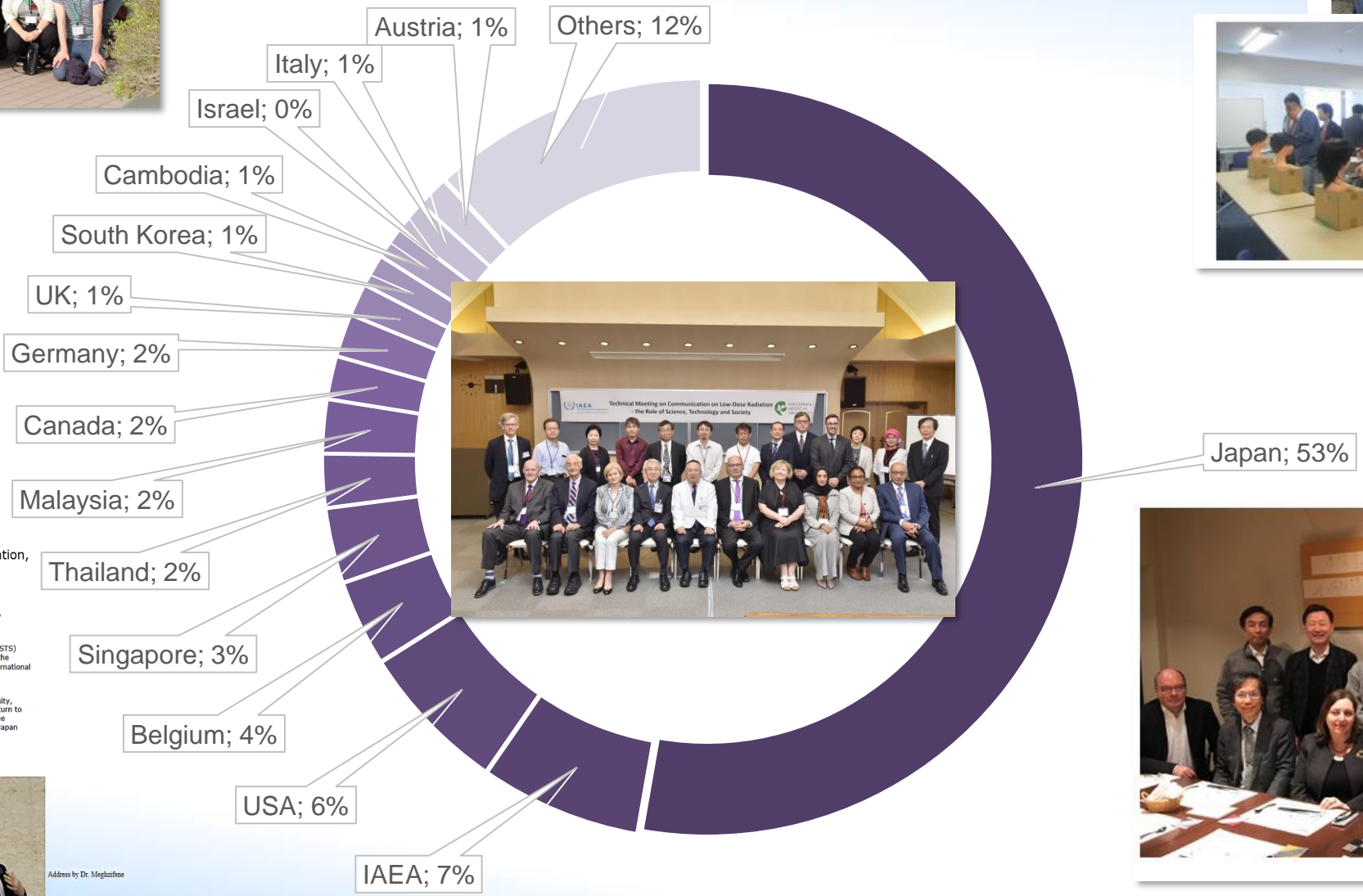


CM and TM 2020:
+ Brazil, Egypt, Ukraine

TM November 2021:
+ Norway, Russia, Kazakhstan,
Philippines

CM June 2022
+ Belgium (3 SCK CEN and 4
Academic)

International Network 2013 - 2022



1st Technical Meeting on "Science, Technology, and Society (STS) Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health: The View from Asia"

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Hiroshima University held the 1st Technical Meeting on "Science, Technology, and Society (STS) Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health: The View from Asia" under the assistance of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 27th and 28th of November 2014 at the International Conference Center Hiroshima.

This meeting is hosted by the International Atomic Energy Agency, IAEA. Hiroshima University, Nagasaki University and the National University of Singapore, these three institutions take turn to organize it for over the next three years. This time Hiroshima University was in charge of the meeting and about 200 people including researchers and students from inside and outside Japan attended the meeting.



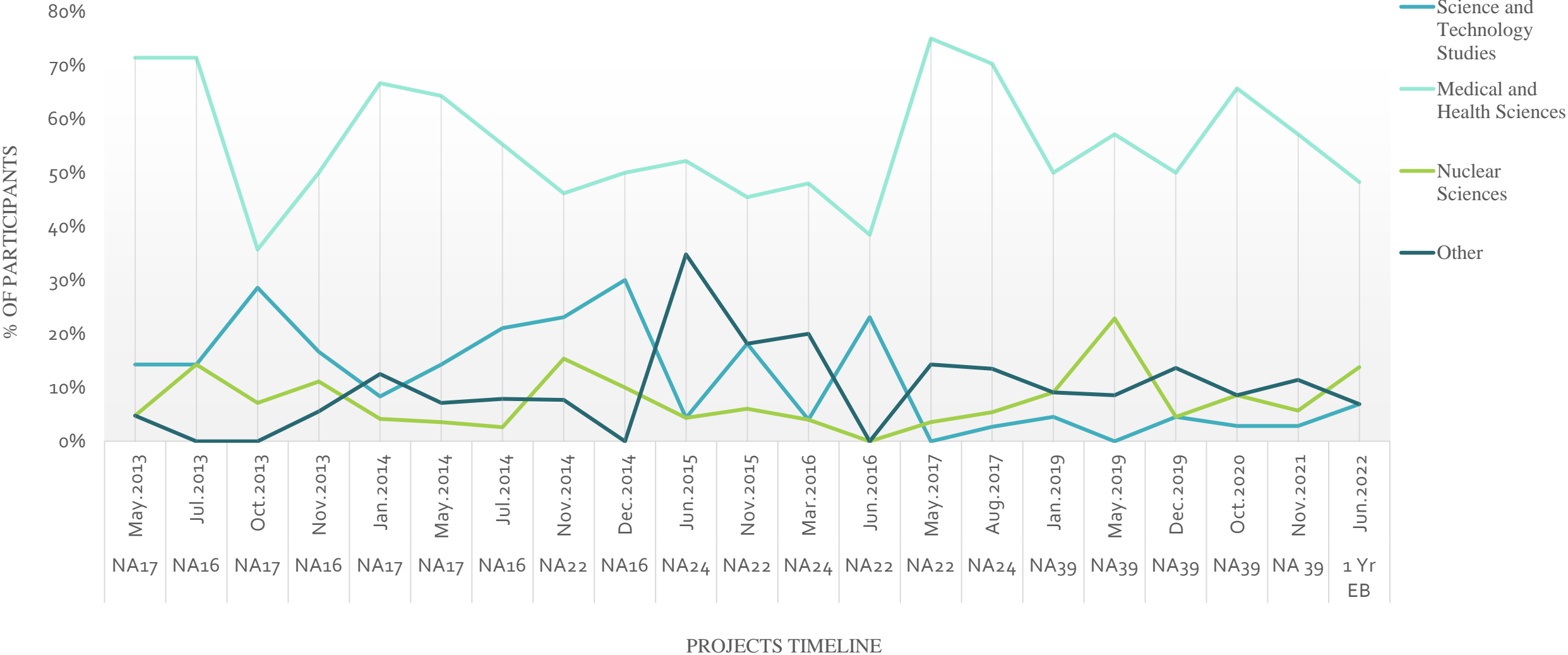
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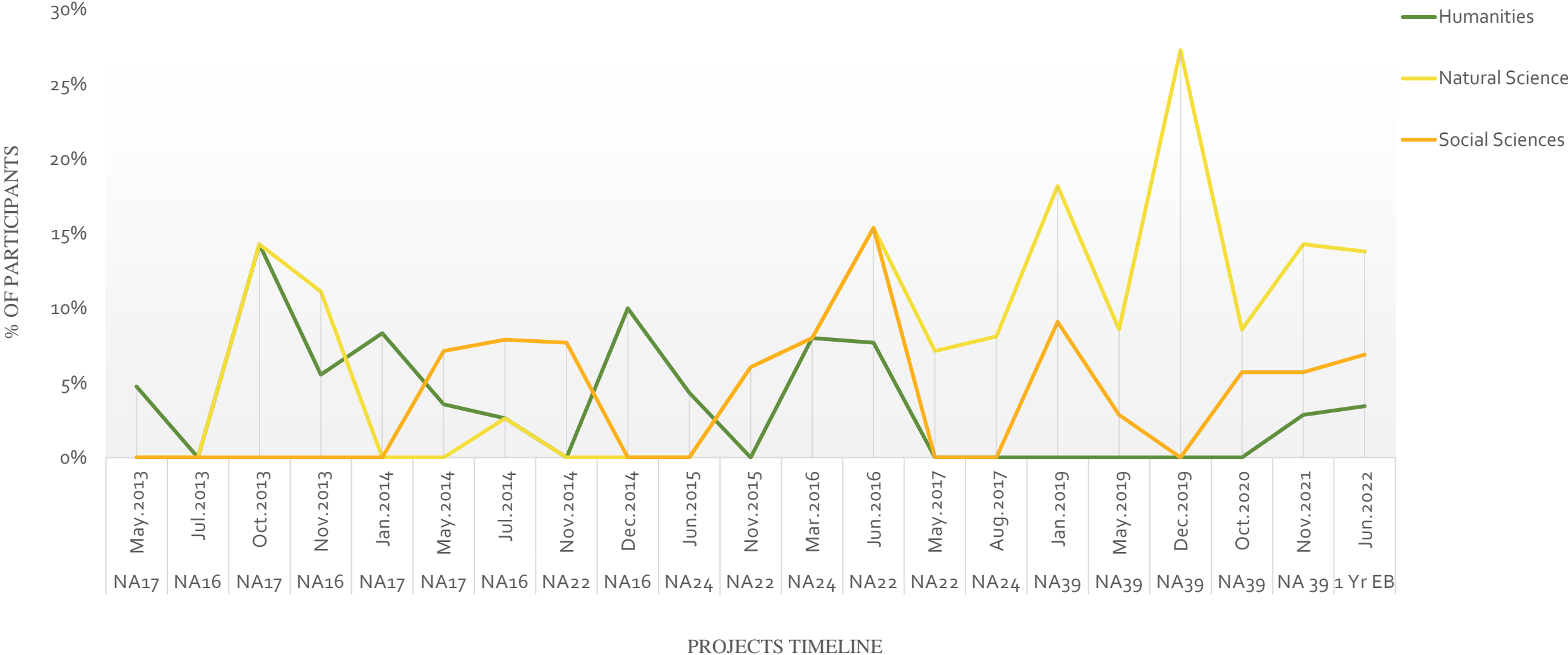
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Professional Groups at Meetings



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Major Professional Groups at Meetings



Training, Workshops and Conferences



Second Technical Meeting on Science, Technology, and Society Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health: The View from Asia 2015



Poster session discussion



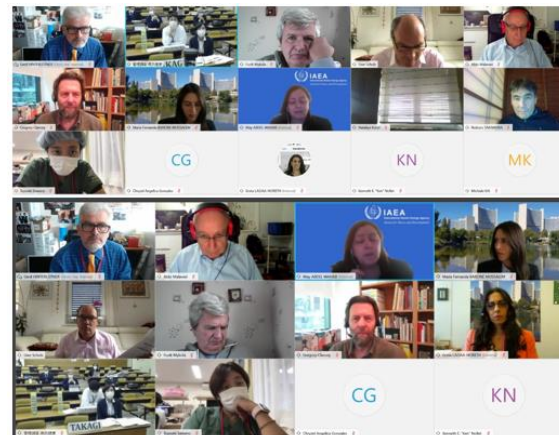
Debate Panel at FMU TM May 2019



Training session at the FMU TM May, 2019



FMU Consultancy Meeting August 2017



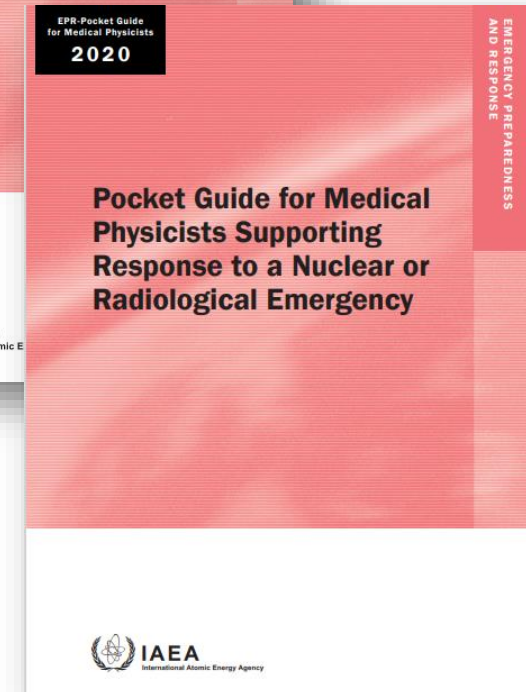
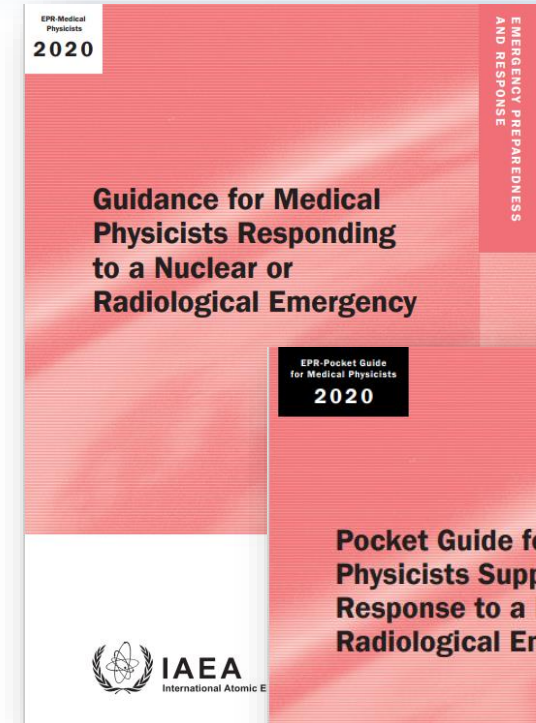
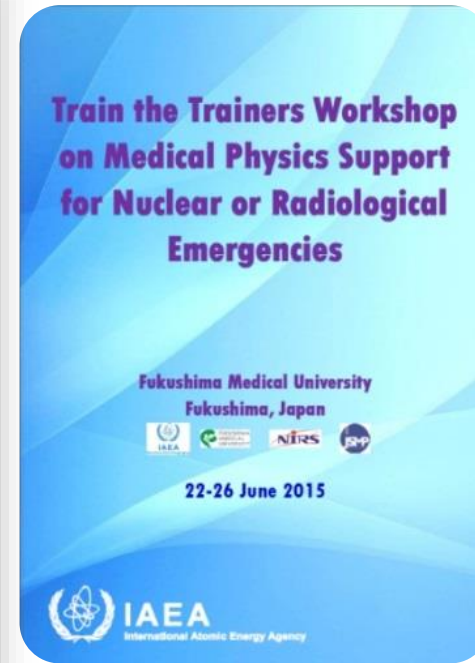
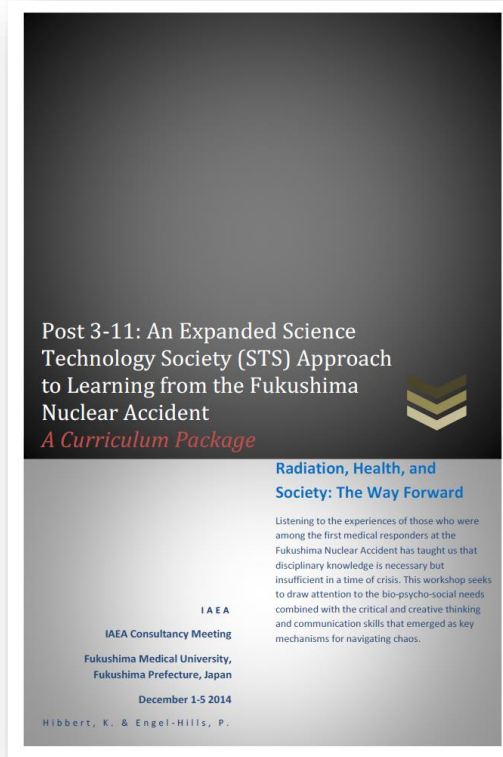
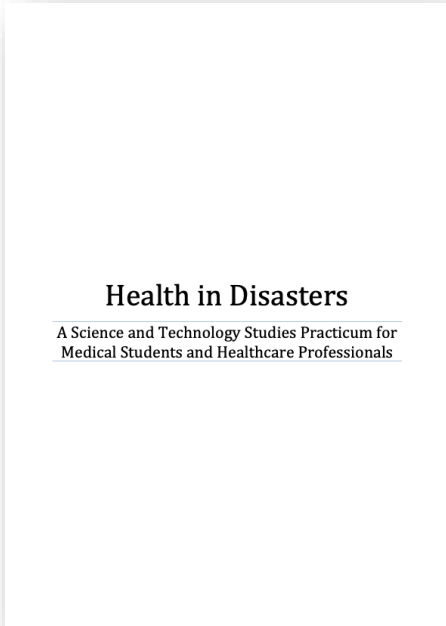
Virtual Consultancy Meeting on October, 2020



FMU Consultancy Meeting on August, 2017

Publications

Project Outcomes



STS Curriculum Package “Health in Disasters: A Science and Technology Studies Practicum for Medical Students and Health Professionals”



Non-IAEA Publications

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Psychosocial Issues Related to Thyroid Examination After a Radiation Disaster

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Academic Responses to Fukushima Disaster

Three New Radiation Disaster Curricula

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Abstract
After the March 2011 Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant accident, overseas experts and representatives of international organizations visited Japan to provide advice, technical support, and resources. Several international meetings on radiological protection and health issues have since been held in Fukushima to provide further advice. The content discussed has changed alongside local developments in health-related issues from radiation health effects and radiological protection to risk communication and psychological, public health, and social

Original Article

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Table 1. Change in Radiation Disaster-Related Medical Curriculum Following the Fukushima Disaster.*

Before Disaster (Total 6 Hours)	After Disaster (Total 82.5 Hours)
	First year: Lecture The Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Power Plant accident (2)
Third year: Lecture and PBL A part of Medical Physics (3)	Third year: Lecture and PBL A part of Medical Physics (3) Radiation Bioscience and Medicine (20) PBL (9)
Fourth year: Lecture A part of Radiology (1.5): Radiation protection A part of Emergency Medicine (1.5): Disaster medicine	Fourth year: Lecture- A part of Radiology (1.5): Radiation protection A part of Emergency Medicine (2): Disaster medicine Fifth year: Exercise Radiation Disaster and Health Management Training (42) Sixth year: Lecture Clinical Summary Lecture (3)

*Numbers in parentheses indicate the length of the lecture in hours, problem-based learning (PBL), and exercise.

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Abstract
A thyroid ultrasound examination program has been conducted for residents living in the vicinity of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant accident to address concerns about cancer similar to those experienced by local residents in the second-largest thyroid cancer screening in young women after Chernobyl. As the natural history of thyroid cancer is characterized, large-scale screening using thyroid ultrasound with careful planning, as has been experienced in other countries, is generally low among residents, who tend to be

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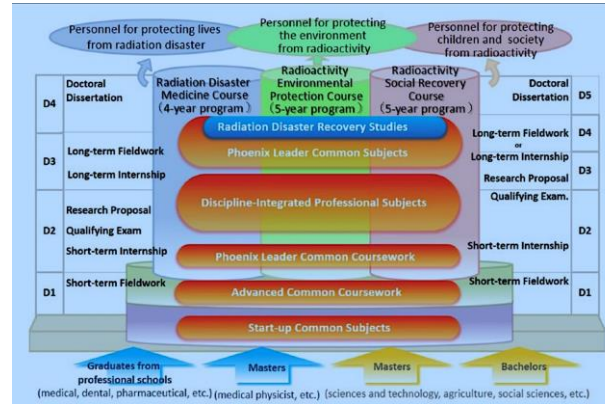
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New Medical Curricula



FMU, Hiroshima University and Nagasaki University

Radiation disaster medicine for medical students at the Fukushima Medical University, together with a science, technology, and society module comprising various topics, such as public risk communication, psychosocial consequences of radiation anxiety, and decision making for radiation disaster.



Phoenix Leader PhD degree at the Hiroshima University, which aims to develop future leaders who can address the associated scientific, environmental, and social issues.

Joint Graduate School of Master's degree in the Division of Disaster and Radiation Medical Sciences at the Nagasaki University and Fukushima Medical University.

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Rays of Hope - Leaving no country behind



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Half of cancer patients who need radiotherapy in low- and middle-income countries do not have access to it. This is a sobering statistic. And it is unacceptable.

— Rafael Mariano Grossi,
IAEA Director General

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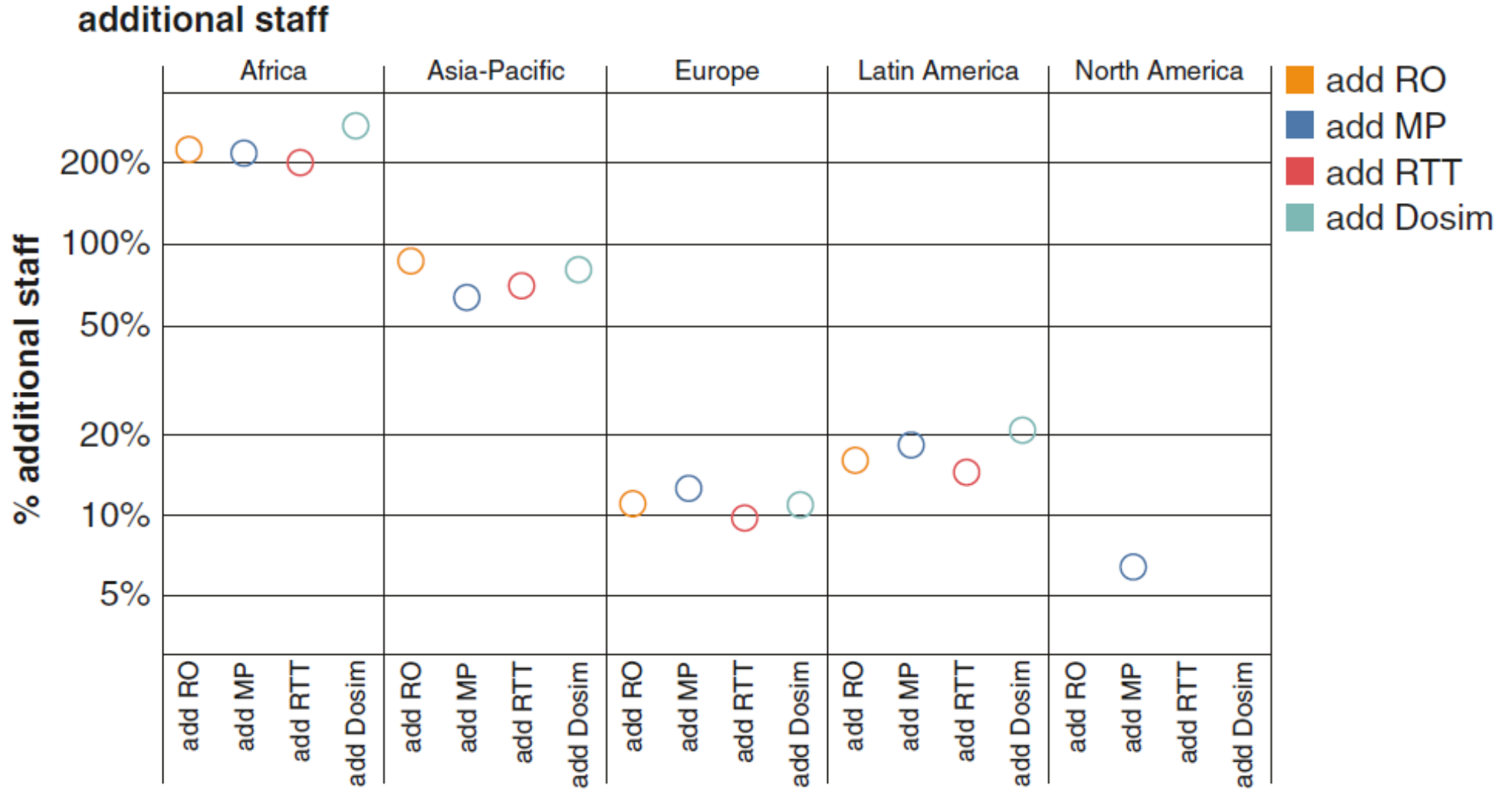
Difference in Equipment /Million Population 2013-2021



RegionName	MV_2013	UNPopulation_2013	EquipmentPerMillion..	MV_2021	UNPopulation_2021	EquipmentPerMillion..
01. North America	4,243	352,366,531	12.041	4,050	368,744,804	10.983
02. Mexico and Central America	168	168,171,560	0.999	210	179,670,186	1.169
03. Tropical South America	559	346,518,924	1.613	612	362,970,576	1.686
04. Temperate South America	182	63,522,106	2.865	188	67,785,713	2.773
05. Caribbean	56	42,292,435	1.324	82	43,322,324	1.893
06. Western Europe	2,647	412,629,794	6.415	2,873	424,583,101	6.767
07. Eastern Europe and Norther..	899	406,510,616	2.212	1,195	414,247,644	2.885
08. North Africa	145	177,073,961	0.819	230	202,383,239	1.136
09. Middle Africa	55	874,326,621	0.063	82	1,055,842,229	0.078
10. Southern Africa	81	76,171,505	1.063	110	82,366,574	1.335
11. Middle East	390	308,411,238	1.265	540	346,538,143	1.558
12. South Asia	606	1,697,994,102	0.357	789	1,856,376,652	0.425
13. East Asia	2,661	1,574,832,845	1.690	3,856	1,678,089,627	2.298
14. Southeast Asia	244	618,361,110	0.395	392	668,197,791	0.587
15. Southern and Western Pacific	167	38,401,388	4.349	257	42,955,340	5.983

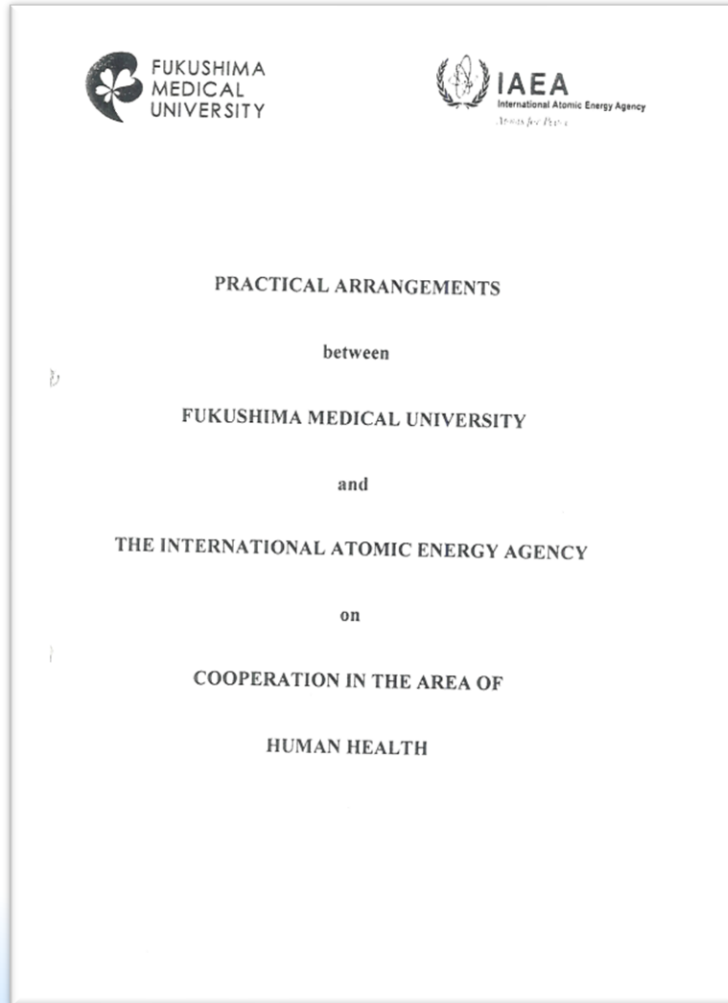
Difference in Equipment Distribution / Million Population 2013 - 2021

Additional Staff needed by Region



Practical Arrangements

Collaborating Centres



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Comprehensive Approach Together with the Country

Rays of Hope:

- Supporting Access

- Technical assessments and economic evaluations;
- Equipment
- Capacity building – technology transfer & training;

- Sustainability Regional Anchor Centres

- Innovation through R&D



Innovation: Catalyzing education and training

*State-of-the-art learning platforms and approaches that advance education and training can **accelerate** the speed and scale of progress in the global fight against cancer*



As innovative, cost-effective training tools, the IAEA's virtual models are especially advantageous when the necessary medical equipment is unavailable or has not yet been commissioned for clinical use. By enabling professionals in resource-challenged contexts to train in an immersive learning environment, they **help close global knowledge gaps**.

Innovation: Generating novel insights

Global databases that generate novel insights for targeted action can **accelerate** the speed and scale of progress in the global fight against cancer



IAEA DIRAC Directory of Radiotherapy Centres

What is Directory of Radiotherapy Centres (DIRAC)?

The world's most comprehensive database on radiotherapy resources for patient treatment. DIRAC comprises current and historical data on conventional radiotherapy and light-ion centres, teletherapy machines and brachytherapy equipment, treatment planning systems, computed tomography units and simulators (more information [here](#)). It is used worldwide for planning radiotherapy services, advocacy for equity in access to cancer treatment, investment in health care infrastructure, benchmarking of radiotherapy resources, academic research, placement of fellows.

DIRAC is updated on a daily basis by a team of IAEA experts together with hundreds of healthcare professionals worldwide.

In order to give your contribution, please access [this link](#)

 150+ Countries	 7000+ Centres	 18000+ Units
 60+ Years of Data Collection	 200+ Scientific Publications	 700+ Projects Supported Worldwide



Technology adoption

	Safe sanitation	Connectivity		Robots	Electric vehicles	Cancer radiotherapy
		Fixed broadband	Mobile broadband			
Short term	1.4% 2021 → 2022	4.8% 2021 → 2022	6.0% 2021 → 2022	14.6% 2020 → 2021	59.9% 2021 → 2022	-1.4% 2020 → 2022
Long term (annual growth)	2.4% 2012 → 2022	6.7% 2012 → 2022	14.8% 2012 → 2022	11.7% 2011 → 2021	63.5% 2012 → 2022	-1.3% 2012 → 2022
Penetration	57 of 100 inhabitants in 2022 (45 in 2012)	17.6 per 100 inhabitants in 2022 (16.8 in 2021)	86.9 per 100 inhabitants in 2022 (82.0 in 2021)	n.a.	2.1 of 100 cars in 2022 (1.3 in 2021)	20.9 of 100 countries in 2022 (21.5 in 2020)

WIPO's 2023 Global Innovation Index

Data from IAEA DIRAC helped bring attention to an alarming trend: *cancer cases requiring radiotherapy are outpacing available technology.*

Supporting Rays of Hope Anchor Centres

*Anchor Centres – which serve as capacity building and knowledge hubs – can **upscale global access** to cancer care by **advancing innovation** at the regional and global level, together with the IAEA*

To enable them to effectively perform this critical work, these Centres need support on:

- Education and training
- Research
- Quality assurance
- Technology
- Equipment
- Resource mobilization



Rays of Hope - Regional Anchor Centres



New STS Project:

Medical Doctors' Radiation Education and Communication



Objective

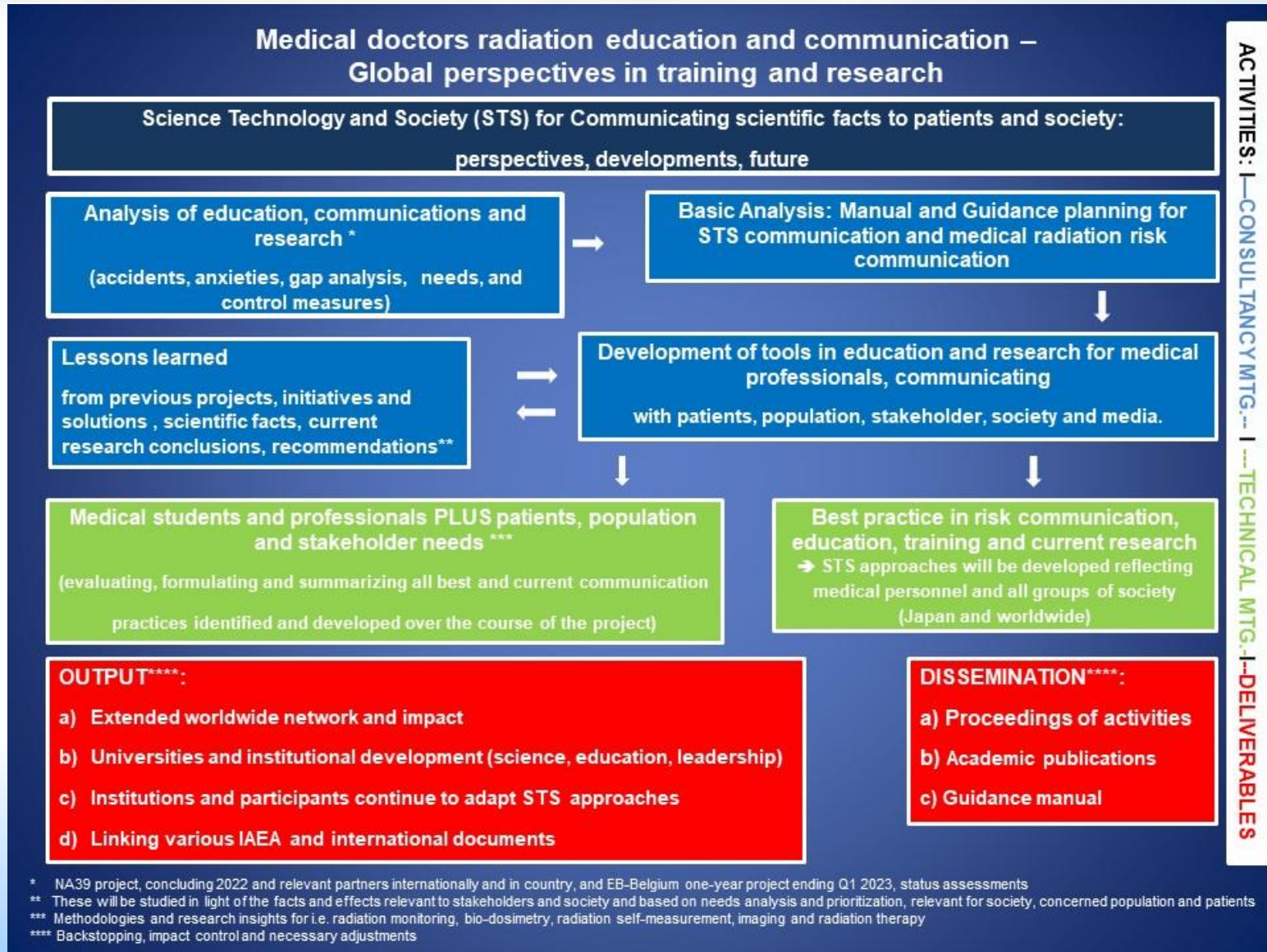
Develop and train, radiation knowledge with relevance for medical personal, and patients.

Experience with radiation risk communication including teaching and training concepts can be readily used.

Guidance manuals for building capacity will be developed and updated, based on Japanese and international expertise.

Experience in Japan, Asia and internationally will benefit trainees from all participating RoH countries, thereby supporting improved doctor – patient relationship in radiation therapy communication and education.

Medical Doctors' Radiation Education and Communication



Scope

Train and apply radiation knowledge for medical personal.

Respective communication skills related to radiation exposure will be taught.

Focus on present conditions and what is desired/ foreseen by population and local and regional stakeholders.

Medical communication should focus on measures to enhance populations' general trust in medical services.

Conclusions

Successful risk communication must examine and compare the effects of risk perception and tailor risk messages considering the person's cultural background.

It is crucial to understand how patients as well as local population concerned with radiation effects process information's based on their specific and individual mind set and their overall and universal processing of information's in the human brain.

Efficient way to improve communication and promote mutual understanding between concerned population, patients and doctors is via education and interpersonal skills training.

Together, we will continue to build on past achievements and the experience of our colleagues from Japan and other countries world-wide including, while presenting and evaluating our diverse experiences



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