# Radioprotection of the Patients Moving to an Electronic Era

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**International Society of Radiology** 

#### **About ISR**

- Confederation of about 80 National Societies, including the European Society of Radiology and the Inter American College of Radiology
  - Started in 1925 and established in 1953
- Parent organization of ICRP and ICRU
- NGO status in IAEA and WHO





# International Society of Radiology



Leading International organization representing Radiologist specialists



#### Main achievements

- Educational efforts (with WHO)
  - Center of Excellence in Nairobi Cameroon – Tanzania – Fiji
- Monographs for education
- Global Study group for the education of diagnostic radiologists



#### **CT Examinations**

Huge increase of the number of CT examinations, Recently and in the future

- → 87 millions of CT in 2008 in US
- → Increase by 10-15% per year since 2000

High level of variability of exposure

Low level of justification

25% to 40% of examinations would be not justified



#### **Pediatric CT**

- High variability in the rate of utilization
- High variability in the rate of dose exposure

**†** Training

Guidance level

**Evidence based practice** 

Awareness



# Imaging by non specialists

- Operating Room imaging
  - Low level of training
- Self referral (orthopedists, cardiologists, etc...)

**Of non justified tests** 



# Referral guidelines

- ACR appropiateness
- Royal College of Radiology and Societé Française de Radiologie
- European Society of Radiology / EC

Global Approach



# Moving to an Electronic Era

- **■** From guidelines to Evidence Based Practice
  - Embedded guidelines into an electronic system feather examination requesting

**Clinical Decision Support** 

- Non justified examinations
- Reporting / Physician / Disease / Institution



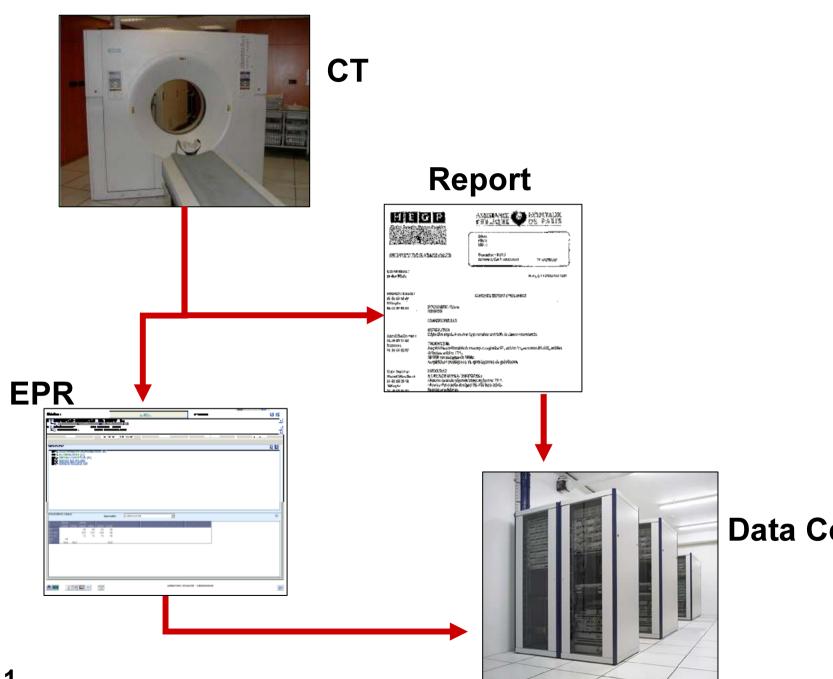
# Moving to an Electronic Era

- Technical
- **DICOM** and IHE
- Automatic recording of the dose exposure
- Patient

- **Electronic Patient Record**
- Automatic storage of the dose
- Population

- **National Data center**
- Benchmarking, Epidemiological Studies International comparison





**Data Center** 

# **Summary**

- Development of guidance levels for diagnostic imaging tests
- CDS with embedded referral guidelines
- Automatic recording and storage of the dose
- Action with industry for optimization of the imaging devices

