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Need for Increased Oversight

Cedars-Sinai radiation overdoses went unseen at several points

*The dosage -- eight times the programmed amount -- appeared on technicians' screens during CT scans. Doctors also missed the problem. Experts say blind trust of medical machinery is a growing concern.*

October 14, 2009 | Alan Zaremb

Every time a patient receives a CT scan, a mundane array of numbers appears on a computer screen before a technician.

The numbers include the radiation dose.

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Radiation Offers New Cures, and Ways to Do Harm

*By WALT BOGDANICH*

As Scott Jerome-Parks lay dying, he clung to this wish: that his fatal radiation overdose -- which left him deaf, struggling to burned, with his teeth falling out, with ulcers in his mouth and throat, nauseated, in severe pain and finally unable to breath about publicly so that others might not have to live his nightmare.
What is the ORSC?

Provides administrative support for the Radiation Safety Committee (RSC) and 4 subcommittees:

- Medical Radiation Safety Committee (MRSC)
- Radioactive Drug Research Committee (RDRC)

* New subcommittees:

- Academic Radiation Safety Committee (ARSC)
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