



# Future Supply of $^{99}\text{Mo}$ , $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$

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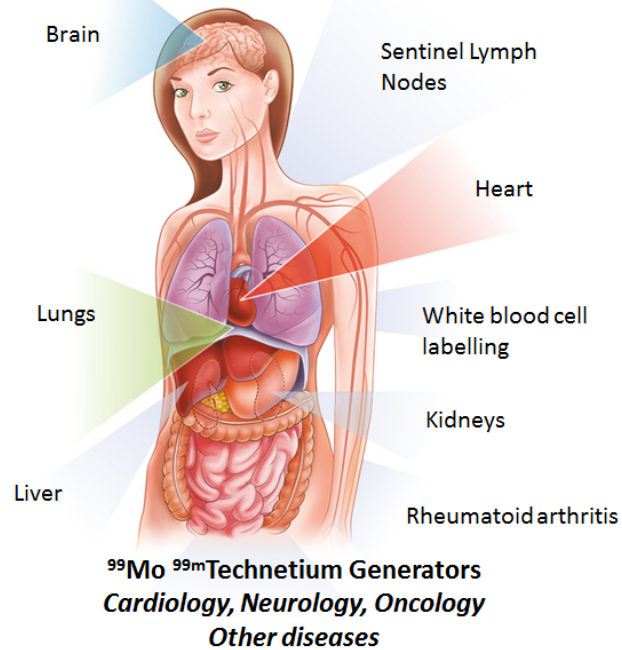
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**Imagination at work.**

8	Development Toward Non-HEU Based Mo-99 Production, Session I	3:30 pm	Northwest Medical Isotopes, LLC Overview and Status	Carolyn Haass (Northwest Medical Isotopes, LLC)
			Current Engineering and Design Activities at LANL Supporting Commercial U.S. Production of Mo-99 Without the Use of HEU	Gregory Dale (LANL)
			NorthStar Progress Towards Domestic Mo-99 Production	Jim Harvey (NorthStar Medical Radioisotopes)
			Overview of Argonne Support for Mo-99 Medical Isotope Production: NorthStar Medical Technologies	Sergey Chemerisov (ANL)
			Powder Metallurgy Fabrication of Thin, Flat Molybdenum Disks	Richard Lowden (ORNL)
			Future Supply Options of Mo-99, Tc-99m	Mark Frontera (GE Global Research)
5:30 pm Poster Setup in Sphinx Grand Ballroom — Almas Temple				
6:00 pm Poster Session and Reception				
Meeting Room: Sphinx Grand Ballroom				

# GE Healthcare Nuclear Medicine Presence



## Life Sciences & Global Supply Chain



$^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$  based Products on global market  
 $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$  Generators serving 38 Countries  
31 United States Radio pharmacies

## Nuclear Cameras



+5,500 Cameras sited  
Multiple Product Offerings

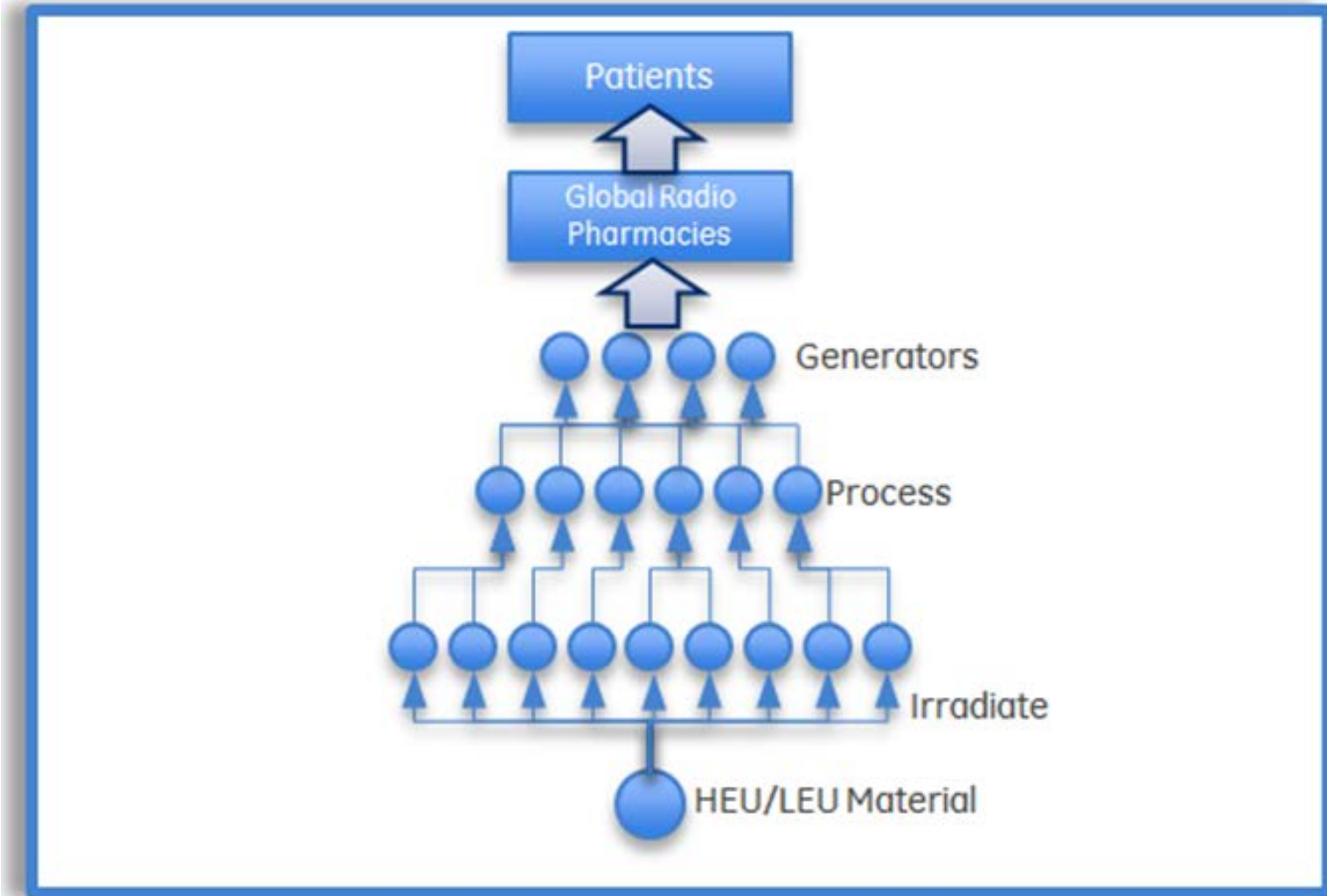
## PET Cyclotrons



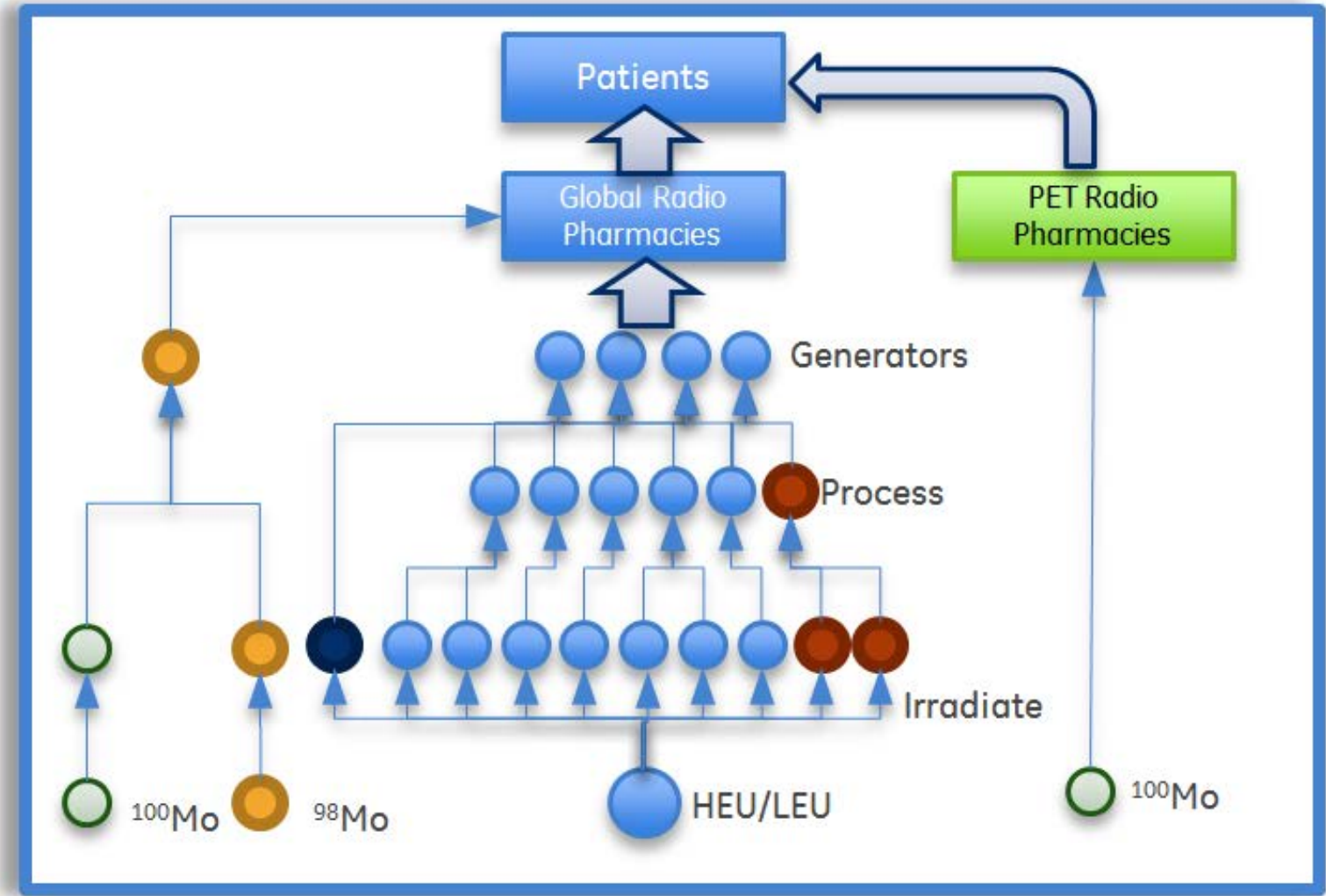
330 Cyclotrons sited  
10 MeV, 16 MeV  
Platforms



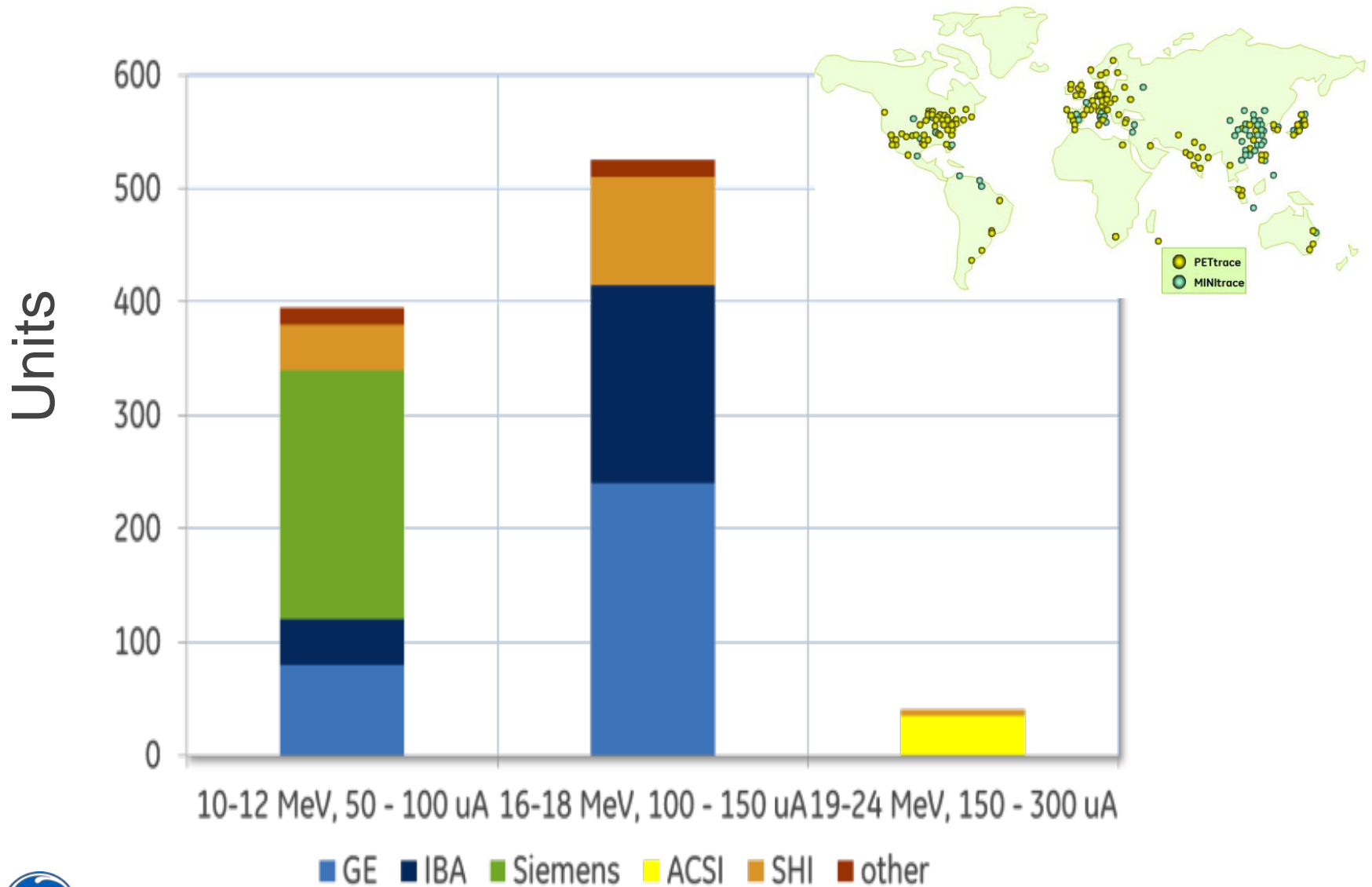
# Today's Supply Chain



# Tomorrow's Supply Chain?



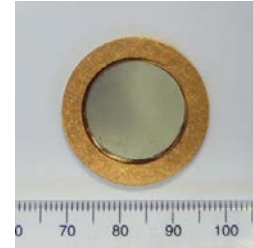
# Medical Cyclotron Installed Base



# Cyclotron $^{99m}\text{Tc}$ Production



(Left) Enriched  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  target mounted on a copper test backing; (Right) enriched  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  after 6hr, 130  $\mu\text{A}$  irradiation (Schaffer, 2014)



(left) TRIUMF-designed, GE PETtrace solid target capsule; (right) with mounted  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  target  
Reference: P Schaffer, personal communication.

Beam Current ( $\mu\text{A}$ )	Production Volume (Ci)	Estimated Number of 25 mCi dose per 6 hour run (assuming 50% loss)
130 (IB)	5	100
250 (IB Upgrade)	10	200
400 (Future)	15	300

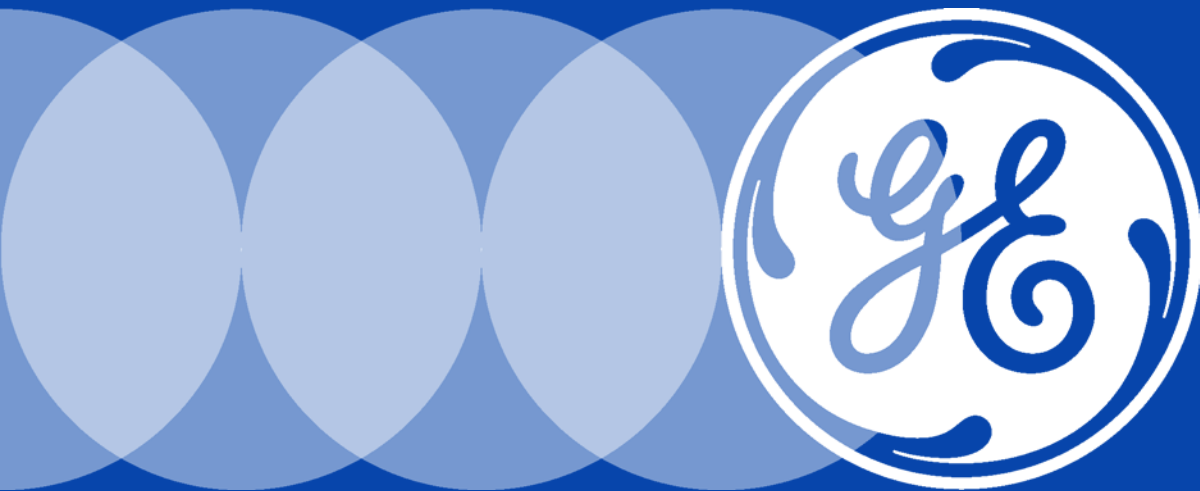
Some Challenges: Regulatory Path &  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  Supply Model



# In Summary

- Global supply chain challenges of  $^{99}\text{Mo}$ , FCR, and conversion to LEU production will stress the current medical imaging supply chain.
- GE is positioned to maintain its current role as a provider of nuclear cameras, agents,  $^{99}\text{Mo}$  generators, and radio pharmacies.
- With regulatory and support establishing a  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  supply chain, a global introduction of cyclotron produced  $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$  may enable a stronger ORC position and local supply independence in 2017.
  - Also enables additional tolerance to program, economic, and engineering delays of the alternate production techniques entering the market from 2016 to 2020.
- Government, Industry, Academia and Entrepreneurs must collaborate to provide a stable supply of isotopes from today to beyond 2020.







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