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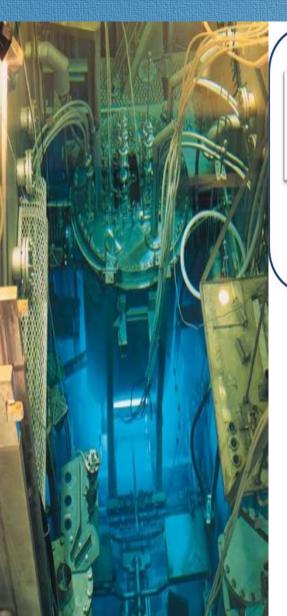
# REFLECTIONS ON CONVERSION EXPERIENCE PIONEERS OF CHANGE

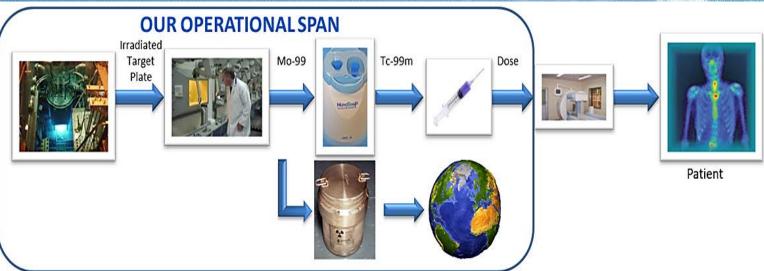
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#### OUR FIELD OF PLAY





**RADIOCHEMICALS & API'S** 

Mo-99; I-131; Lu-177n.c.a

**RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS** 

Novatec-P Tc-99m generator; MIBG; I-131 capsules; FDG; cold kits RADIOACTIVE SOURCES (NDT)

Ir-192; Cs-137; Co-60

**IRRADIATION SERVICES** 

NTD silicon; target irradiations

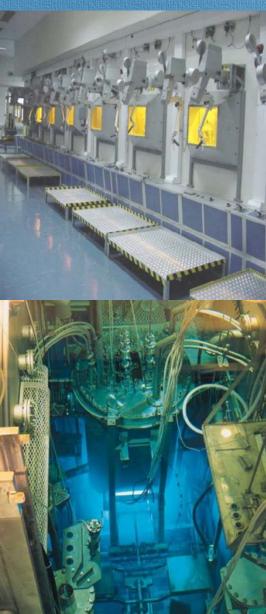


## AND IT'S ALL ABOUT THE PATIENT



## HEU TO LEU TIME LINE





Dec 2014

dissolver cell

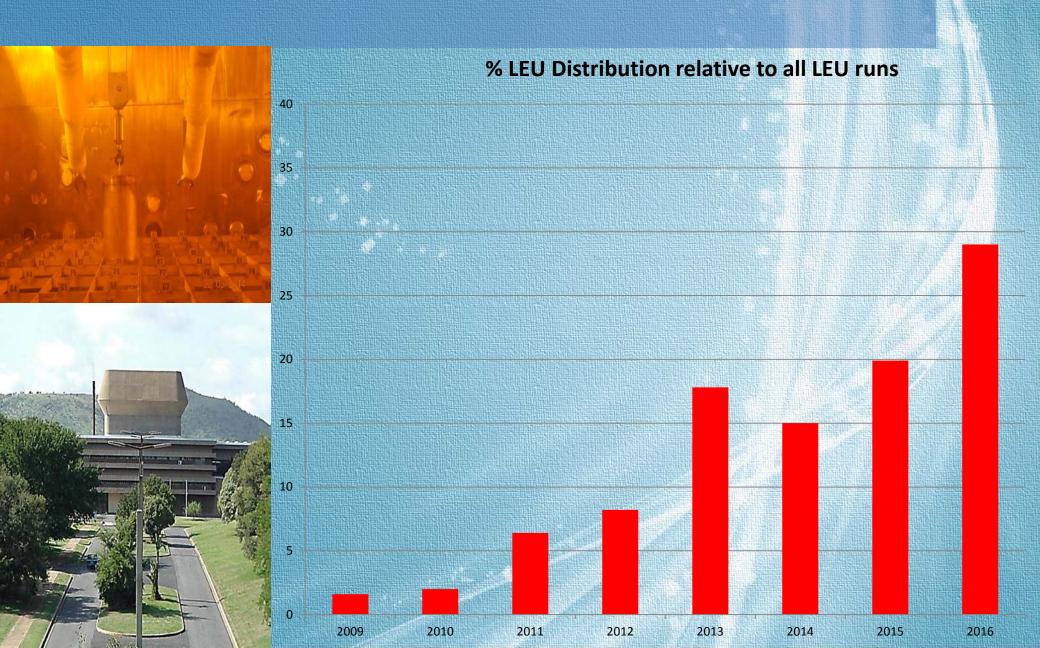
Sep 2016 Hot Commissioning of new uranium residue facility

	Year	Event
9	2007/8	Theoretical feasibility studies & cold experiments
7	2009	NNR approval received for test stage and first hot runs commence
	2010	Hot runs, process validation, regulatory approval
80	Sep 2010	US FDA approves LEU <sup>99</sup> Mo for a customer in the US
	Dec 2010	First large scale commercial FDA approved batch of LEU <sup>99</sup> Mo produced and shipped to US for patient use
	Jun 2011	Routine commercial supply of LEU <sup>99</sup> Mo commenced
	Sep 2011	Commencement of investment in plant modifications for increased LEU residue storage requirements
	Jan 2014	Hot commissioning of new LEU specific production line

Commencement of project to manufacture & install 2<sup>nd</sup> LEU design

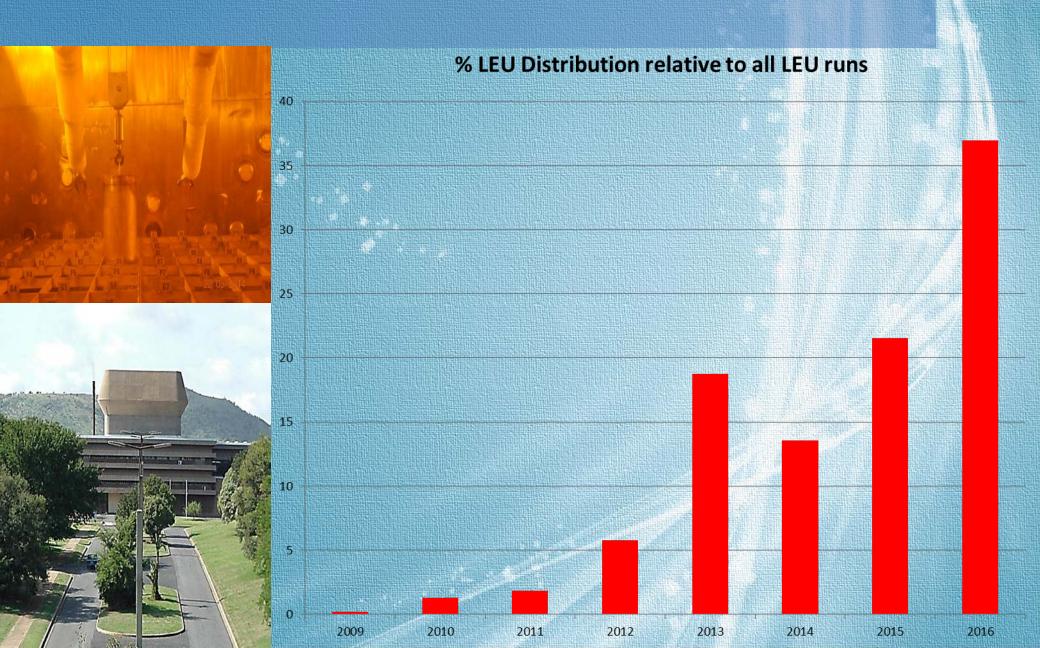
## Actively enhancing life

## PROGRESS WITH MO-99 CONVERSION



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## PROGRESS WITH I-131 CONVERSION





## ACTUAL CONVERSION PROGRESS





#### Mo-99

Year	% Conversion
2014	38
2015	47
2016 (2 Quarters)	77

#### I-131

Year	% Conversion
2014	39
2015	46
<b>2016</b> (2 Quarters)	63



#### COMMISSIONED AND OPERATING WELL

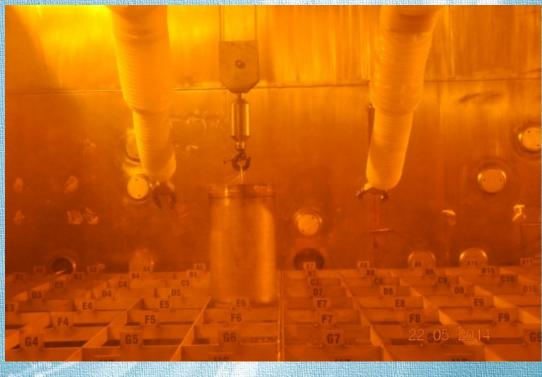






## COLD COMMISSIONED HOT COMMISSIONING COMMENCED







## COMPLIANCE LESSONS FROM THE FRONT LINE - HEU TO LEU -

#### IT' ALL ABOUT CONSEQUENCES:

#### THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE UGLY



PIONEERS IN CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY

A WORLD FIRST

EXCEED FULL COMPLIANCE



MASSIVE CAPITAL INVESTMENT

HIGHER REACTOR
OPERATIONAL COSTS
AND LOWER FLUXES

LOWER MO-99
PRODUCTION CAPACITY

HIGHER WASTE VOLUME AND COST



NO NOTICEABLE BENEFITS TO PATIENT

THE PATIENT SHOULD PAY MORE

#### WHERE ARE WE NOW

## **MUCH ACHIEVED**

**PUSH TO COMPLETION** 

Proven fully LEU capability Operated new LEU dissolver cell for 32 months

Upgraded waste infrastructure

2<sup>nd</sup> LEU design dissolver cell commenced



#### INTO THE FUTURE

### LET'S LEARN

FROM THE LESSONS OF THE PAST

Technology and scaleup challenges are to be expected Developing non-HEU production methods takes longer than expected.

It costs more than initially budgeted It is more a 'technology push' than a 'market pull' situation





## IN CONCLUSION



**Technically feasible** 

More challenging production operations

Full cost recovery not implemented

Sustainability of the industry questionable





## IT'S TIME FOR WISE ACTION

- no *reactions* required -





