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**WEBINAR on
BRACHYTHERAPY CALIBRATIONS AT AN SSDL**

Date: 2 December 2021

Organized by the IAEA's Technical Cooperation Division for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Division of Human Health

Background

Brachytherapy is an essential component of the curative treatment of cervical cancer, a disease with high incidence in many developing countries. High dose rate (HDR) brachytherapy is also used in other common cancers such as breast, lung, oesophagus, and prostate cancer. It is critical to know the dose administered to the patients for the expected treatment outcome. This requires that equipment used for dosimetry be calibrated. All radiation monitoring instruments should be calibrated regularly as recommended by internationally.

Objectives

The purpose of the webinar is to provide technical bases for brachytherapy calibrations at SSDLs for participants from Secondary Standards Dosimetry Laboratories (SSDL). This will help SSDLs to perform brachytherapy calibrations. This webinar will comprise lectures, and Q&A sessions.

Target Audience

The main intended audience for this webinar is scientists working as radiation metrologists, physicists or technicians in a Secondary Standards Dosimetry Laboratory with a background in radiation dosimetry. The candidates should be involved in establishing or performing calibrations for brachytherapy.

Working language: The Webinar will be held in **Spanish**.

Registration

Please register for the webinar using the following links:

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Deadline for registration: 30 November 2021

Webinar programme:

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- Basics in brachytherapy calibrations
 - Primary standards
 - Secondary standards
 - Use of calibration in the clinic
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