

RMDS

Radioactive Material Detector System

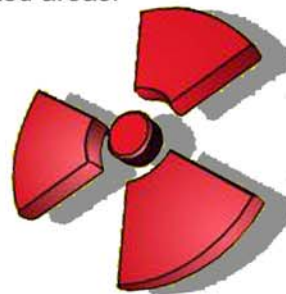
The RMDS Portal series is a complete vehicle/ pedestrian monitoring system used for the rapid detection and identification of radioactive moving sources. The system, in various configurations, is suitable for containers, trucks, trains, conveyors and pedestrians. This advanced and sophisticated portal monitoring system has been designed specifically for Homeland Security Applications, taking into consideration the rigorous challenging needs of this evolving market.



The RMDS Portal series integrates innovative technologies, unique know-how and vast experience in the Radiation Detection and Monitoring industry. The protocols are primarily intended to be positioned at border crossings, maritime ports, airports, critical facilities and highly populated areas.

KEY FEATURES

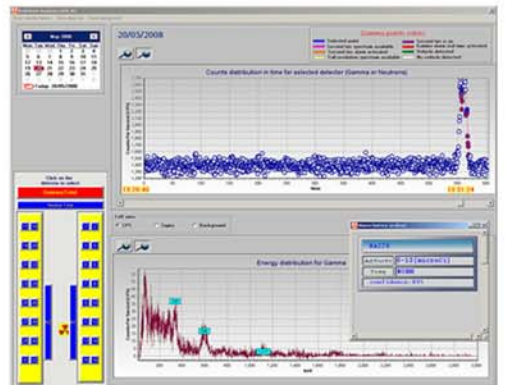
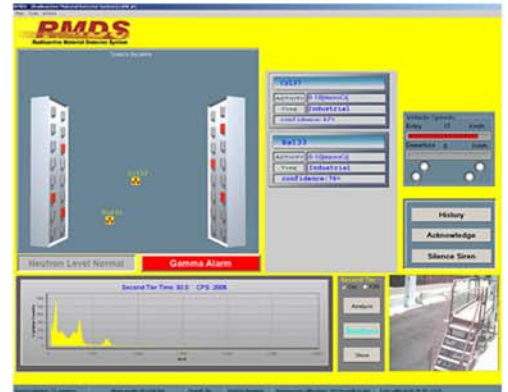
- Drive through operation - speed up to 8 km/h (5MPH)
- Easy to use and maintain by the "non professional" operator.
- System output: Audiovisual alarms, Isotope identification.(Picture/video taking capabilities)
- Integrative portal monitor system (Remote internet control * communications).
- Integrated into two pillars with shielded and collimated detectors.
- NaI(Tl) 3' x 3" detectors for Gamma detection.
- He-3 detectors for Neutron detection.
- Isotope identification - MCA based
- Automatic spectrum drifts compensation
- Location Finding
- Activity/Dose rate approximation.
- Energy range between 25 keV to 3.0 MeV.
- Low false alarm rates.(1:6000) Detection efficiency 98%
- Functional in high background fluctuations.
- Operational temperature: -30 C° to +50 C°. High sensitivity, reliability and precision. First tier or second tier operation



ISOTOPE IDENTIFICATION

The system is capable of identifying and distinguishing between different radioactive isotopes whether they are detected individually, or in a combination of more than one isotope. Identifying the radiating source's material is crucial for effective system operation, since it reduces drastically the innocent alarm rate. In systems without isotope identification capabilities, radiation alarms often occur while detecting benign sources, such as NORM (Normally Occurring Radioactive Materials) radiation from medical and industrial materials. The large number of false alarms in such systems sometimes causes the operator to increase the radiation alarm threshold, thus increasing the chance for illicit sources to be undetected.

The system allows keeping the alarm threshold at a low level, but nevertheless avoids false alarms. Also, the system gives information for every isotope regarding its type, activity, confidence level and DR. Rate. The system meets the requirements of the Spectroscopy-Based Monitors used for Homeland Security (American National Standard ANSI N42.38)



SPECTRAL SIGNATURE

Every radioactive material emits a unique energy spectrum, which is detected by the system. By comparing the detected spectral signature to the system's built in signature library, isotope identification can be achieved with a high level of confidence. Furthermore, the system is capable of identifying and distinguishing individual radiation sources even when they are combined. This makes it possible to detect illicit nuclear materials even in the presence of non-threatening isotopes, thus making it virtually impossible to hide dangerous radioactive material under the cover of radiation from a benign source. The system maintains a comprehensive library of energy spectrums for various isotopes, which can be updated and expanded as necessary. By comparing the measure and expected intensities of peaks (when more than one isotope is identified) after subtracting the detector response, the system can determine whether radiation shielding is being used.

Radionuclide	Activity (µCi)	Activity (µCi)	Activity (µCi) Poly
	Unshielded	Steel Shielded (3 cm)	Shielded ⁵⁰
²⁴¹ Am	47	--	--
¹³⁷ Ba(l)	9	143	--
¹³⁷ Ba(g)	3	--	--
⁵⁷ Co(l)	15	--	--
⁵⁷ Co(g)	5	--	--
⁶⁰ Co	7	25	--
¹³⁷ Cs	16	85	--
CU ⁶⁰	4.5 kg (45 cm ³)	--	--
¹³⁷ Cs	16	--	94
HEU ⁶⁰	237 g (8.5 cm ³)	--	--
¹³⁷ I	10	--	23
¹³⁷ I	6	61	--
⁴⁰ K	123	--	--
²⁴¹ Am ⁵⁰	30 µg with 1 cm Fe shielding	--	--
¹³⁷ Te	16	--	127
²³² Th	10	--	88
²³² Ra	5	--	--
²³² Th	14	--	--
ROPu ⁵⁰	1.4 g with 1 cm Fe shielding	--	--
WASPu ⁵⁰	15 g with 1 cm Fe shielding	--	--
²³⁵ Cr ⁵⁰	2 x 10 ⁴ n/s ± 20%	--	--

NEUTRON DETECTION

The system incorporates He3 neutron detectors, which assist in the detection of SNM (Special Nuclear Materials). Standard Gamma detectors may be "blind" to a radiation source if the source is shielded (by lead for example), which could block most of the emitted gamma radiation. SNM materials emit neutrons, which are not blocked by this type of shielding, and thus can be detected by the He3 detectors.