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Radiosensitivity Parameters For Lethal Mutagenesis In Caenorhabditis Elegans

Cucinotta, F. A., NASA Langley Research Center, USA; Wilson, J. W., NASA Langley Research Center, USA; Katz, R., Nebraska Univ., USA; 1994, pp. 3; Repr. from Radiation Protection Dosimetry, v. 52, no. 1-4, 1994 pp 25-27; In English

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For the first time track structure theory has been applied to radiobiological effects in a living organism. Data for lethal mutagenesis in Caenorhabditis elegans, obtained after irradiation with nine different types of ions of Atomic number 1-57 and gamma rays have yielded radiosensitivity parameters (E(sub 0), sigma(sub 0), Kappa, m = 68 Gy, 2.5 x 10(exp -9) cm (exp 2), 750, 2) comparable with those found for the transformation of C3HT10 1/2 cells (180 Gy, 1.15 x 10(exp -10) cm(exp 2), 750, 2) but remote from those (E(sub 0) and sigma(sub 0) = approx. 2 Gy, approx. 5 x 10(exp -7) cm(exp 2)) for mammalian cell survival.

Author

Radiation Tolerance; Gamma Rays; Ion Irradiation; Radiation Effects; Biological Effects

19960024151; 96N26712 NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA USA

Cell Kinetics and Track Structure

Wilson, John W., NASA Langley Research Center, USA; Cucinotta, F. A., NASA Langley Research Center, USA; Shinn, J. L., NASA Langley Research Center, USA; 1993, pp. 44; Repr. from Biological Effects and Physics of Solar and Galactic Cosmic Radiation, Part A, (New York, Plenum Press), 1993 p. 295 - 338; In English

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A major uncertainty in shield requirements for deepspace missions is establishing biological risk for high charge

and energy (HZE) exposure. Estimates of biological risk in space requires an understanding of the relationship of groundbased biological experiments with intense particle beams to the low exposure rates in the space environment. We have examined the relation of a (relatively) general cell kinetic model to the track structure theory of Katz and determined repair coefficients from the experiments of Yang et al. as a means of predicting biological response to low dose-rate exposure in the deep-space environment. The model provides repair dependent relative biological effectiveness (RBE's) which agree well with values found in ion exposure experiments and makes predictions which could be tested in future laboratory studies. The model seems to provide the necessary requirement of relating laboratory response data to space exposure conditions with the exception of the gravity environment effects.

Author

Biological Effects; Kinetics; Particle Beams; Exposure; Radiation Effects; Dosage; Prediction Analysis Techniques

19960025416; 96N27454 Columbia Univ., New York, NY USA

Int-3 Oncogene in Normal and Neoplastic Breast Development Annual Report, 1 Sep. 1994 - 31 Aug. 1995

Kitajewski, Jan, Columbia Univ., USA; Sep. 1995, pp. 21; In English

Contract(s)/Grant(s): DAMD17-94-J-4410

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Mutational activation of the murine int-3 oncogene can contribute to mammary gland tumorigenesis. Evidence suggests that int-3 regulates the morphogenesis and functional differentiation of the mouse mammary gland. The proposed research investigates the role of int-3 proteins in the normal physiology of breast development and the biochemical properties critical for mt-3 transforming activity. The cDNAs encoding of the truncated int-3 oncogene were cloned. A full length cDNA of approximately 7.3 kilobases was subsequently cloned and has been sequenced. The deduced amino acid sequence verifies that int-3 is a Notch/lin-12 family member. Structurally, the int-3 protein contains approximately 20 EGF-like repeats, 3 Notch/lin-12 repeats, a transmembrane domain, and an intracellular domain containing six ankyrin repeats. Analysis of int-3 mRNA shows expression in several adult tissues and during mouse embryonic development. Cell lines have been generated that express an epitopetagged int-3 oncoprotein, which was detected by Western blot and immunofluorescence analysis. Activated int-3 oncoproteins were found primarily in the nucleus and putative nuclear localization signals have been identified. Finally, bacterially produced int-3 proteins have been purified and used to generate rabbit polyclonal serum.

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Mammary Glands; Biochemistry; Amino Acids; Proteins

19960025456; 96N27493 Tennessee Univ. Space Inst., Dept. of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering., Tullahoma, TN USA

Protein crystallization studies

Lyne, James Evans, Tennessee Univ. Space Inst., USA; Research Reports: 1995 NASA/ASEE Summer Faculty Fellowship Program; Feb. 1996, pp. 8; In English; Also announced as 1996043981; No Copyright; Avail: CASI; A02, Hardcopy; A04, Microfiche

The Structural Biology laboratory at NASA Marshall Spaceflight Center uses x-ray crystallographic techniques to conduct research into the three-dimensional structure of a wide variety of proteins. A major effort in the laboratory involves an ongoing study of human serum albumin (the principal protein in human plasma) and its interaction with various endogenous substances and pharmaceutical agents. Another focus is on antigenic and functional proteins from several pathogenic organisms including the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and the widespread parasitic genus, Schistosoma. My efforts this summer have been twofold: first, to identify clinically significant drug interactions involving albumin binding displacement and to initiate studies of the three-dimensional structure of albumin complexed with these agents, and secondly, to establish collaborative efforts to extend the lab's work on human pathogens.

Author

Protein Crystal Growth; Albumins; Pharmacology; Pathogens

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Includes physiological factors; biological effects of radiation; and effects of weightlessness on man and animals.

19960025317; 96N27389 Japan Atomic Energy Research Inst., Tokyo, Japan

Panel discussion on health effects of low-dose ionizing radiation: Scientific findings and non-threshold hypothesis

Jun. 1995, pp. 44; In English; IAEA Interregional Trainning

Course on Health Effects of Low-dose Ionizing Radiation, 28 Feb. - 18 Mar. 1994, Tokyo, Japan

Report No.(s): JAERI-Conf-95-010; CONF-9402159; DE96-708576; No Copyright; Avail: CASI; A03, Hardcopy; A01, Microfiche

This is a record of a panel discussion in the IAEA Interregional Training Course. In current radiation work, protection measures are taken on the assumption that any amount of radiation, however small, entails a risk of deleterious effects. This so-called non-threshold assumption of radiation effects, on the one hand, creates public distrust of radiation use. However, because the health effects of low-dose ionizing radiation are difficult to verify, wide views ranging from the nonthreshold hypothesis to one which sees small amounts of radiation as rather useful and necessary are presented. In this panel discussion, how the health effects of low-dose ionizing radiation should be considered from the standpoint of radiation protection was discussed. Panelists included such eminent scientists as Dr. Sugahara and Dr. Okada, who are deeply interested in this field and are playing leading parts in radiobiology research in Japan, and Dr. Stather, deputy Director of NRPB, UK, who, in UNSCEAR and ICRP, is actively participating in the interNational review of radiation effects and the preparation of reports on radiation protection recommendations. They agreed with each other that although it is reasonable, under the current scientific understanding, to follow the recommendation of ICRP, research in this area should be strongly promoted hereafter, for basing radiation protection on firm scientific grounds. Many participants actively asked about and discussed problems in their own field.

DOE

Ionizing Radiation; Education; Health; Conferences; Radiation Dosage

19960025432; 96N27469 Oakwood Coll., Dept. of Chemistry, Biochemistry and Allied Health., Huntsville, AL USA **The development, assessment and validation of virtual reality for human anatomy instruction**

Marshall, Karen Benn, Oakwood Coll., USA; Research Reports: 1995 NASA/ASEE Summer Faculty Fellowship Program; Feb. 1996, pp. 6; In English; Also announced as 1996043981; No Copyright; Avail: CASI; A02, Hardcopy; A04, Microfiche

This research project seeks to meet the objective of science training by developing, assessing, validating and utilizing VR as a human anatomy training medium. Current anatomy instruction is primarily in the form of lectures and usage of textbooks. In ideal situations, anAtomic models, computer-based instruction, and cadaver dissection are utilized to augment traditional methods of instruction. At many institutions, lack of financial resources limits anatomy instruction to textbooks and lectures. However, human anatomy is three-dimensional, unlike the one-dimensional depiction found in textbooks and the two-dimensional depiction found on the computer. Virtual reality allows one to step through the computer screen into a 3-D artificial world. The primary objective of this project is to produce a virtual reality application of the abdominopelvic region of a human cadaver that can be taken back to the classroom. The hypothesis is that an immersive learning environment affords quicker anAtomic recognition and orientation and a greater level of retention in human anatomy instruction. The goal is to augment not replace traditional modes of instruction.

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53 BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Includes psychological factors; individual and group behavior; crew training and evaluation; and psychiatric research.

19960024742; 96N26907 Science Applications InterNational Corp., McLean, VA USA

Operator Cursor Positioning Performance On Navigational Update and Targeting Tasks: Evaluation of Gain Functions for the B-2 Radar-Embedded Cursor System Interim Report, Jun. 1994 - Jan. 1995

Doyal, Jeffrey A., Science Applications InterNational Corp., USA; Irvin, Gregg E., Science Applications InterNational Corp., USA; Ramer, David P., Science Applications InterNational Corp., USA; Apr. 1995, pp. 93; In English

Contract(s)/Grant(s): F33615-92-D-2293; AF Proj. 7184 Report No.(s): AD-A301662; AL/CF-TR-1995-0106; No Copyright; Avail: CASI; A05, Hardcopy; A01, Microfiche

Sixteen USAF crew members participated in experiments evaluating cursor slewing performance with the B-2 radar-embedded cursor system. Performance was evaluated with the current linear force/cursor velocity function and an alternative sigmoidal function expected to elicit improved performance. One experiment utilized a radar update task requiring only fine positioning movements of the cursor. The second experiment consisted of a semi-operational targeting task in which both gross and fine positioning movements of the cursor were required. In addition, the effects of ambiguity of the target pixel and variability in cursor system processing delay were examined. In both experiments, the alternative gain function elicited lower designation time and fewer overshoots than the current function.

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Aircraft Equipment; Radar Equipment; B-2 Aircraft; Synthetic Aperture Radar; Airborne Radar; Position Indicators; Performance Tests

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