



## **Concerns Involving Material Received From Japan**

In response to numerous requests for guidance on how to ensure material and equipment that is being received from Japan is not contaminated, Applied Health Physics, Inc. offers the following:

- 1) The Procurement Department or anyone arranging the shipment should request the shipper to provide contamination surveys of package contents and package surfaces. The results must not exceed US DOT contamination limits.
- 2) Arrange for receipt surveys of packages and contents prior to use or distribution. The surveys could consist of wiping a percentage of containers and contents to check for removable contamination caused by radioactive fallout. The wipe samples should be taken with an absorbent material of an area of approximately 100 cm<sup>2</sup>. Samples can be tested with a conventional survey meter that includes an open window for particulate monitoring. Any activity in excess of natural background readings would be of concern.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact this office at (800)-332-6648.

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