

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT
AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE Millipore Corporation REPORT NUMBER(S) 2009-001		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE NRC Region III 2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210 Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351	
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-32903	4. LICENSE NUMBER(S) 24-26445-01	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION Sept. 25, 2009	
6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87125, 87126		7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 03.01 – 03.07; 03.01 – 03.07	

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 03214	2. PRIORITY 5	3. LICENSEE CONTACT John Nichols, ARSO; Nann Green, Ph.D.	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 636-441-8400; 636-442-6000
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main Office Inspection	Next Inspection Date: <u>Sept. 2014</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Field Office <u>6 and 14 Research Park Drive, St. Charles, MO</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Job Site Inspection	

PROGRAM SCOPE

John Nichols was the ARSO for the manufacturing/distribution activities, and Nann Green was the authorized user for the laboratory activities. The RSO for this license was a consultant who visited the licensed facilities monthly. Since the previous inspection, this license was merged with NRC License No. 24-32505-01 (Docket No. 030-36554), which had authorized the activities at 15 Research Park Drive.

The licensee produced and distributed approximately 1200-1500 radioimmunoassay (RIA) kits, including approximately 20 different products, monthly to customers worldwide from the facility in St. Charles, Missouri. Each kit contained up to 5 μ Ci of iodine-125. The licensee verified that recipients of the kits were authorized to receive the kits before shipping. The licensee shipped materials as excepted packages – limited quantity. All iodinations were made under fume hoods by two personnel, including the ARSO for manufacturing. Twelve additional personnel were involved in assembling and shipping the RIA kits. One individual performed research into new RIA kits in support of the manufacturing group, using materials prepared under this license.

The licensee also performed contract pharmaceutical research services using RIA kits manufactured by the licensee or ordered from outside companies, analyzing samples provided by clients. Approximately 30-40 personnel were involved in performing these analyses under the supervision of the authorized user for the laboratory activities. The licensee had added some research laboratories as use areas since the previous inspection; the facilities were consistent with maps provided to NRC. All iodine-125 waste was stored for decay in storage or disposed through sewerage disposal; the licensee had determined that such disposals remained below release limits.

Performance Observations

The inspector toured all manufacturing areas and representative storage, laboratory, and waste storage areas. The inspector observed packaging and shipment of licensed materials and waste disposal, and attended an annual training session. Licensee personnel demonstrated iodinations, survey meter QC, package receipt surveys, disposal surveys, and RIA kit assembly and use, and described quality assurance and bioassay procedures and contamination surveys. The inspector found no issues with the activities. All licensed materials were secured when unattended. Interviews with licensee personnel indicated adequate knowledge of radiation safety procedures and concepts. Surveys indicated radiation levels consistent with licensee postings and records.