

Tu-I₃ & Tu-I₄ HAZMAT Training Using Virtual Reality Environments-CBRNE/Radiation

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Today's Plan

- Give the 5 10 minute history on our core Computer Based Training offering, "RAILS" as a means of illustrating features and content, focusing on a few key examples
- 2. Give a short demonstration of how an instructor would use this training software
- 3. Stop talking so you can actually use some of the software. The point of this class is to provide familiarity with CBT for CBRNE / Hazmat...





Who are we?

- Spectral Labs Incorporated (SLI):
 - Is an Employee Owned Company
 - Was founded in 2009 in San Diego, CA
 - Has grown from 5 founders to 20+ technical professional employee owners
 - Is ISO9001:2015 Certified
 - Has a DCAA Approved Accounting System
 - Holds an approved Radiation Material License from the State of California
- SLI R&D activities include:
 - Full Scale Production of Radiation Particle Detectors/Samplers for NAVSEA
 - Major DHS/CBP R&D Program to develop a Next Gen Cargo Container inspection system upgrade to support DHS/CBP non-intrusive inspection
 - Design of a cost effective gamma ray spectrometer
 - Training "games" that model Gamma Flux and Chemical Dispersion we call this serious games platform "RAILS"



Spectral Labs Training Technology: RAILS

RAILS ≠ Trains

RAILS = Training

CBRNE Focused Computer Based Training Leveraging Video Game Technologies

Realistic, Adaptive, Interactive Learning System (RAILS)





RAILS Background

RAILS Rad/Nuc—Original DNDO Funded Product (Oct 2009 – Aug 2013)

- Rad/Nuc instrument training for Law Enforcement
- Initial SBIR programs (Phases 1, 2, and 3) allowed Spectral Labs to develop radiation transport models and implement them in a proprietary game engine
- Gain an intuitive feel for time, distance, and shielding effects
- Safely interact with sources dangerous to use in real-world training scenarios

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• Find virtual SNM sources normally unavailable for real-world training





RAILS Background, continued

RAILS-CHEM (CTTSO)

- Added chemical dispersion modeling and explosive trace (and bulk) simulation capability, hours of training content and new features (e.g. player health)
- <u>Target Audience</u>: First Responders (Fire, Hazmat)

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<u>Approximate number of</u>
<u>Agencies</u>: > 250 agencies
(fire, hazmat, law enforcement)



RAILS Background, continued

> RAILS-Search and Secure, a DOE ORS Program





Over 20 Detectors Available



RadEye



identiFINDER



PackEye



MultiRAE Pro



Draeger Tubes



M908



Polimaster 1703



Inspector 1000



Radiagem



First Defender



AP4C





FLIR Fido



Mini rad-D



Gr-135



Pager-S



Mini Radiac



Sabre 5000





Hazmat Training Developed for NIEHS WTP

- Spectral Labs was awarded a Phase I SBIR funded by the WTP to develop and test a worker safety focused hazmat training module.
- > Spectral Labs developed two modules, one for off-site assessment and one for onsite
- > The two together cover 29CFR1910.120(c).
- Studies were conducted with Southwestern College to evaluate learning based on pre/post test data
- > Additional data was collected from local public safety workers



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> 1910.120(c)(1) General

Objectives:

- 1) Identify specific site hazards
- 2) Determine the appropriate safety and health control procedures needed to protect employees from the identified hazards.

1910.120(c)(2) Preliminary evaluation:

Offsite reference search

- Talk to the property owners
- Historical usage of the property
- Interview and Review All Governmental Agency records for the sight

1910.120(c)(3) Hazard identification

- What chemicals may have been used or stored at this location
- Records Review
- How to perform a Site Reconnaissance
 - How to Interview Past and Present Owners





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- > 1910.120(c)(3) Hazard identification
- What chemicals may have been used or stored at this location
- Records Review
- How to perform a Site Reconnaissance
- How to Interview Past and Present Owners or Key site people
- How to Interview Government officials

1910.120(c)(4)(5)

Preliminary evaluation: On-site investigation

- How to create an Incident Action and Site Safety Plan
- Selection of Personal protective equipment
- Use direct reading instruments as appropriate for identifying IDLH conditions.

1910.120(c)(6)(7)(8)

- How to conduct on site air monitoring
- Visually observing for signs of actual or potential IDLH or other dangerous conditions.
- Risk identification.
 - Employee notification



Emphasis on correct use of equipment



RAILS-VR, The Next Step

- > Due to advancements in the State of the Art in VR hardware, effective, easy to set up and use VR based training is now possible even on a budget-this could not have been said even a year ago.
- Demonstrations will be provided





What's Available in Today's Class

- On/Off-Site Hazmat Safety Assessment Modules
- Radiation Basics and Instrument Operations Modules
- Hazmat Awareness Modules
- A selection of chemical monitoring, with "Illicit Lab" scenario
- A selection of explosive trace detector equipment training
- One at a time: <u>Demonstrator VR Training for Rad/Nuc</u>
- Remember you need to stick around for the code for credits, but please do take breaks when you feel you need it – also, ask us for help if you get stuck.



Thank you for attending

RAILS-X Demo (focused on explosive trace detector equipment) https://youtu.be/ENrPS_jJSHQ

RAILS OSU Demo (radiation lab equipment demo) https://youtu.be/3dcPWh7mLYY

"Gamma Gear" educational game developed for the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (link to the full game) https://gammagear.net/

RAILS- Search and Secure Demo (focused on Radiation detection equipment) <u>https://youtu.be/OZao7QS4sb0</u>

Radiation Tutorial 2 (an example of a Complete Module) <u>https://youtu.be/NJFaAbSmcnw</u>

Hazmat Guys podcast (interview introducing the RAILS software) <u>https://youtu.be/2y7Q7RQy1uY</u>

