



Like most, ICRP is tracking the COVID-19 pandemic and managing our on-going work.

- The Scientific Secretariat continues to manage day-to-day business while social distancing at home. This includes publishing *Annals of the ICRP*. Several issues are in their final stages and will be released in the coming months: Publication (24) *Radicals: Reference Computational Phantoms*, Publication (25) *Dose Coefficients for External Exposures to Environmental Sources*, and Publication (26) *Adult Male-type Reference Computational Phantoms*.
- Most Task Group work continues as email and video-conferencing are normal means of operation for ICRP. However, some face-to-face meetings are being converted to video, slowing but not stopping progress, and many ICRP members, especially those in the health sector, must turn their attention to fighting the coronavirus.
- The Main Commission meeting planned for Seoul in May has been cancelled, with most business being tabled until the next meeting in Rome in November.



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**Thank you to everyone for doing your part to fight the pandemic, from the front-line medical staff to those providing other essential services, and all of us practicing good hygiene and following instructions from health authorities.**

Like many ICRP members, Nicole Hattaras is pitching in to help!

Waste separation @Anandolis - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1111111111>  
What's not exactly what is needed, but here's what my 80-year-old kindergarten local health care facility - even ICRP do help!



### Did You Know?

Radiological protection professionals in nuclear power plants and other essential operations are working to adjust protective measures. They need to reduce the possibility of coronavirus infections and deal with loss of staff in quarantine, in addition to the usual hazards and the added stress of the pandemic on society at large. Thanks to those who help keep the lights on!

### An Independent Group of International Experts Working in the Public Good

**Forging crucial connections during the COVID-19 pandemic**

ICRP is global network of top experts in diverse fields of radiological protection from a wide variety of organizations. This is a major strength in normal times, but during the first hours, days, and weeks of the Fukushima Daiichi accident it was also a crucial means to share critical information and advice directly between experts when they needed it most. Now, during the COVID-19 pandemic, this same network is again helpful in a crisis. For example, ICRP has connected medical personnel, researchers, and industry experts in Canada and France who had been independently assessing possibilities of re-sterilization of respirators and other essential equipment so that front-line healthcare workers can re-use them.

