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OSD RDT&E BUDGET ITEM JUSTIFICATION (R2 Exhibit)

Date: February 2006

APPROPRIATION/ BUDGET ACTIVITY
RDT&E/ Defense Wide BA# 2

PE NUMBER AND TITLE

0602787D8Z - Medical Technology

Cost (\$ in Millions)	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Total Program Element (PE) Cost	9.427	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
0602787D8Z Medical Technology	9.427	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification: (U) This program supports applied research to investigate new approaches that will lead to advancements in biomedical strategies for preventing, treating, assessing and predicting the health effects of human exposure to ionizing radiation. Program objectives focus on mitigating the health consequences from exposures to ionizing radiation that represent the highest probable threat to US forces under current tactical, humanitarian and counter-terrorism mission environments. New protective and therapeutic strategies will broaden the military commander's options for operating within nuclear or radiological environments by minimizing both short- and long-term risks of adverse health consequences. Advancements in field-based biological dose assessment systems to measure radiation exposures will enhance triage, treatment decisions and risk assessment. Accurate models to predict casualties will promote effective command decisions and force-structure planning to ensure mission success.

(U) The program has three primary goals: (1) rational development of prophylactic and therapeutic strategies based on fundamental knowledge of radiation-induced pathophysiology and on leveraging advances in medicine and biotechnology from industry and academia; (2) development of novel biological markers and delivery platforms for rapid, field-based individual dose assessment; and (3) understanding toxic consequences from exposure to internal contamination from isotopes such as uranium. This Program Elements transfers to the Defense Health Program effective in FY 2006.

B. Program Change Summary	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Previous President's Budget (FY 2006)	13.204	0.000	0.000
Current BES/President's Budget (FY 2007)	9.427	0.000	0.000
Total Adjustments	-3.777	0.000	0.000
Congressional Program Reductions			
Congressional Rescissions			
Congressional Increases			
Reprogrammings	-3.777		
SBIR/STTR Transfer			
Other			

C. Other Program Funding Summary: Not Applicable.

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<p><u>D. Acquisition Strategy:</u> Not Applicable.</p> <p><u>E. Performance Metrics:</u> Not Applicable.</p>		

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