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EP A Changes
In the wake of 9/11, the EPA has taken all of its

risk-management assessment (RMA) programs
off the Internet -in a controversial move to avoid .

giving any sensitive information to would-be ter- Pregnancy Preca uhons

rorists. What do you tl1ink? S~ould all f~cili~es Any pregnant radiation worker who plans to

dealing with dangerous cheInlcals/radioactive continue working with radioisotopes during

materials -including CWRU --do this? Write us her pregnancy may inform the Radiation Safety

and share your opinion. Office and her supervisor in writing of her

pregnancy and the estimated date of concep-
For those of you working with security-risk agents tion as soon as the pregnancy is known. This

(toxins, biological agents, etc.) you already know declaration lowers the permissible dose limits
the HIGH importance of keeping your labs and from 5000 mRem per year to 500 mRem for the

workstations secure. DO NOT DISMISS THIS entire gestation period.
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ING GUIDELINES FOR SIGN-IN AND AC- If she chooses to declare her pregnancy, the

CESS TO THESE SUBSTANCES. NOTIFY US worker will receive a fetal badge to be worn at

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sign-up for the appropriate session based on your training status (which can now be checked by
entering your social security # as a secure code on the D.O.E.S. webpage found at http;lL does.cwru.edu). D.O.E.S. also provides X-ray Training for radiation specialty workers. See the box
on page 2 for further details or calls us to sign up for a session.

'1 Remember, if you are not trained in these areas and you are performing duties which involve
~~ regulated radiation, biological, or chemical materials, you are out-of-compliance with both Federal
;" and State requirements. Call us IMMEDIATELY to sign up for a slot. Times and opportunities for
,::;!.c~; training are frequent and sessions are designed to train you in practical safety procedures to better ;~,':'! allow you to deal with hazardous materials and procedures. See you soon!

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