### **Mystery Incorporated | DS - 11 Mystery Risks**

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"By the time signs and symptoms show [for radioactive and chemical exposure], it is usually too late. To best keep people safe, we must detect first before these agents can cause too much harm."

- JMU Professor, WMD expert

## **2023 DoD Strategy for Countering WMD**

"The United States faces dynamic and evolving WMD threats. The risk of the United States or its Allies and partners facing a military confrontation that includes chemical, biological, radiological, and/or nuclear (CBRN) weapons has increased since 2014."

### Limitations

- Consent must be obtained from participating users
- Security risks during data transfer
- Personal Identifiable Information
- Access to devices that are currently being used in embassies



### **Integrated Agent Detection System**

- Radioactive, Chemical, Biological threats
- Using wearable commercial technology to easily and safely collect data
- Integrated Agent Detection System (IADS)
- Expeditionary missions

### **A Glimpse Into Our Defense**

We seek to keep embassy personnel safe from invisible threats. We have created a multi-faceted protocol to alleviate risk using different commercial technologies.



# Introducing DS-11: Advancing Embassy Safety Together



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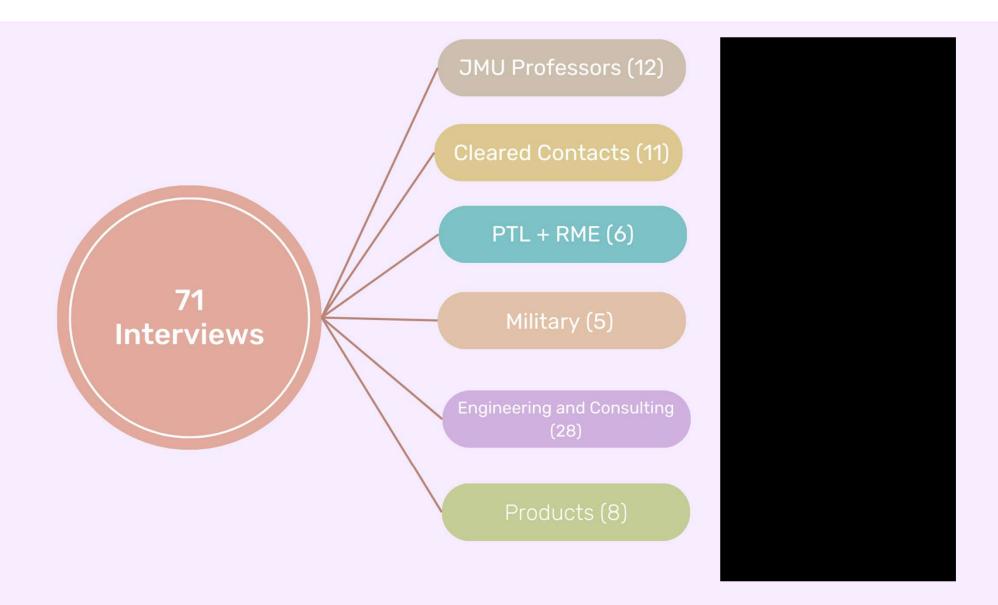
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### **3 Threat Categories**







Radioactive

Chemical

Biological

"Every embassy has to be treated as a potential conflict zone." - DOS Security Technical Specialist

# Radioactive

Dosimeters: Instruments for measuring radiation exposure

#### Active Dosimeters – Radioactive Threats

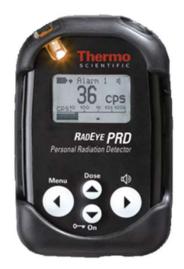
Polimaster Personal Radiation Dosimeter

- Offline capabilities
- 2-4 Audio-visual alarms
- Currently contracted with DHS and DOE

ThermoFisher Scientific RadEye Personal Radiation Dosimeter

- Alarm system and long-range capabilities
- Natural background rejection technology





#### Passive Dosimeters – Radioactive Threats



#### Thermo Fisher Scientific DXT- RAD Extremity Dosimeter

- Passive dosimeters worn by X-ray technicians in embassies
- Worn on fingers and wrists
- Compatible with Thermo Fisher Scientific Harshaw TLD system

#### Electronic Dosimeter – Radioactive Threats



#### Radioactivity Counter Smartphone App

- Utilizes Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor (CMOS) Sensor
- Sensitive to radiation as low as 10 uGy/h
- Prone to false positives, but effective 'dose warner'

# Chemical



**Chemical Threats** 

# Smiths Detection $\sim$ LCD 4

- Lightweight Chemical Detector
- Uses non-radioactive Ion Mobility Spectrometry
- Detects nerve, blister, blood, and choking agents and TICs
- Alerts to gas and vapor threats detected at or below immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) levels
- Based on LCD 3.3 ~ Chosen by DoD for Joint Chemical Agent Detector Program

# Biological

#### RingConn Smart Ring – Biological Threats

- 7-Day battery life
- Heart rate & blood oxygen saturation
- Skin temperature
- Records trends
- Sleep metrics
- Stress tracking
- IP68 certificated water resistance (50m/165ft)



#### **Scan Watch 2 - Biological Threats**



- 24/7 Temperature tracking
- Heart health
- ECG
- Daily heart rate & overnight heart rate
- High & low heart rate notifications
- Sleep parameters
  - Sleep duration
  - Regularity

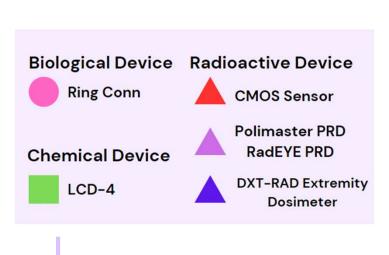
• Respiratory insights - Blood oxygen levels

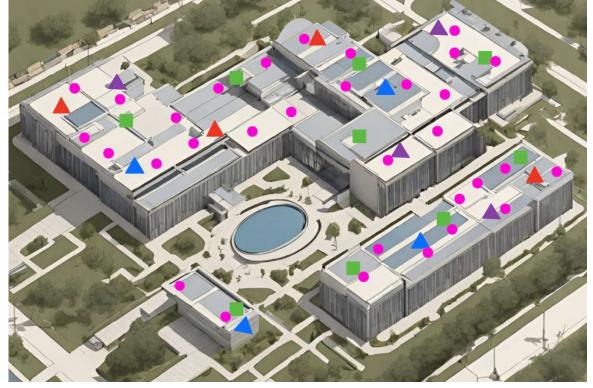
Activity tracking

 Heart rate zones during workout

# Minimum Viable Product: IADS

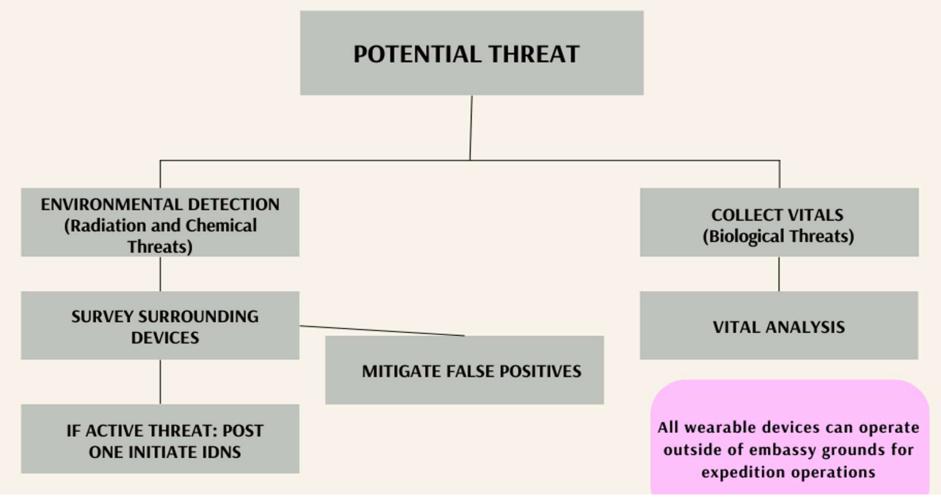
#### Integrated Agent Detection System (IADS)





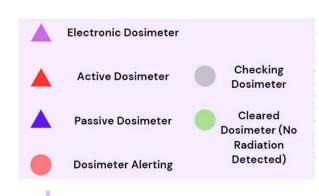
# **Integrated Agent Detection System**

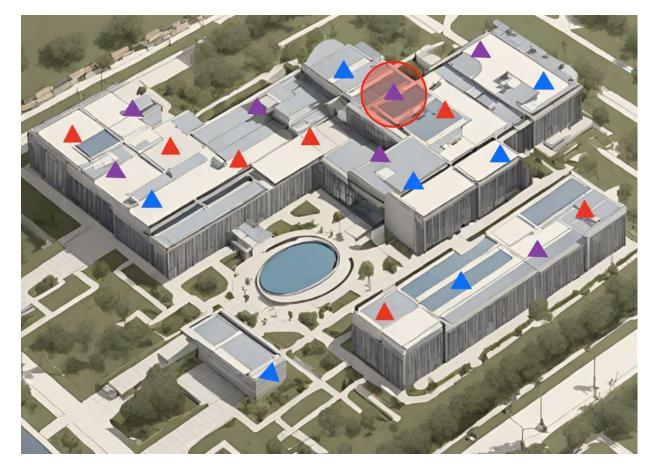
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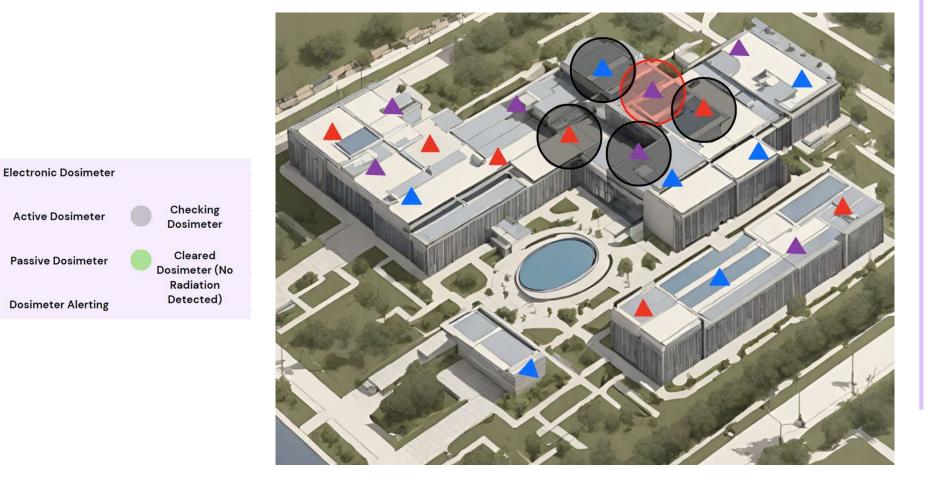
# Mitigating False Positive Alerts For Radioactive Detection

#### **One Electronic Dosimeter Alerts for High Radiation Levels**

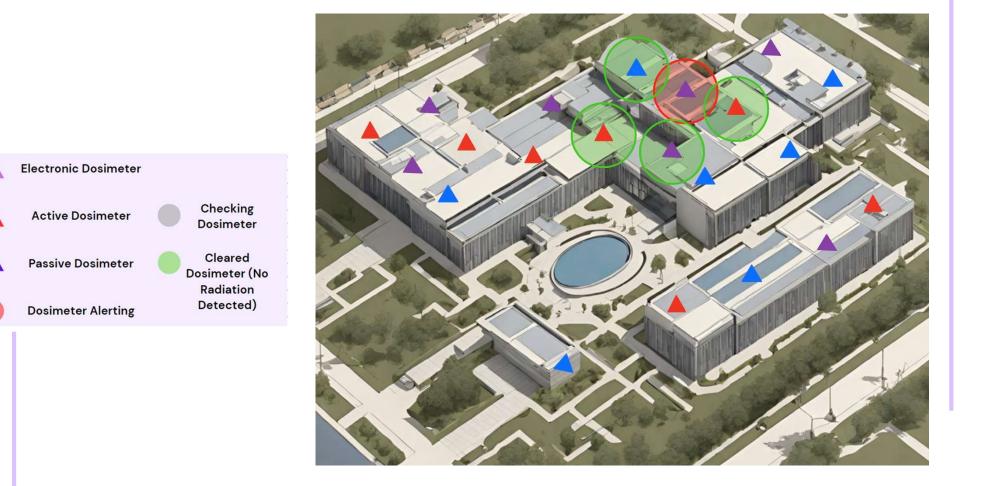




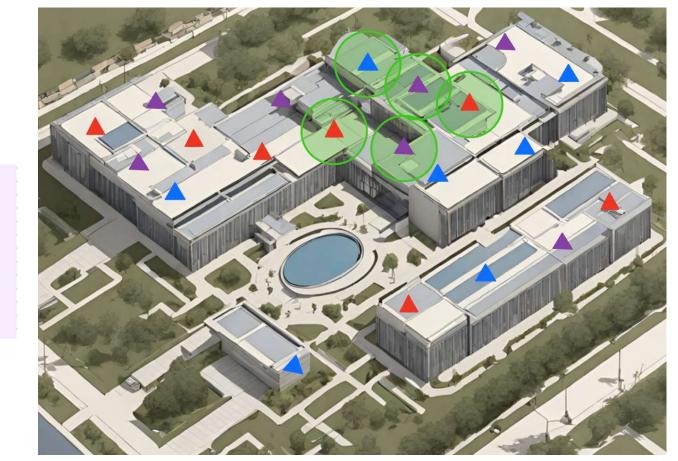
#### **Checking Surrounding Dosimeters**

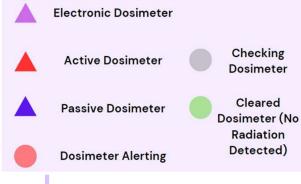


#### Surrounding Dosimeters - All Clear

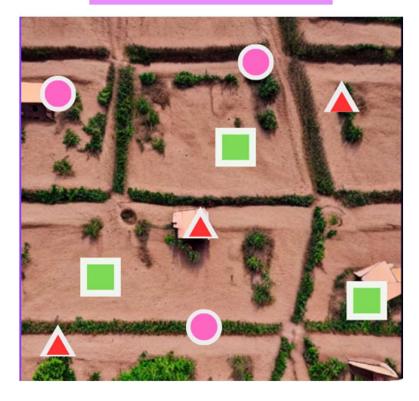


#### False Positive Mitigated







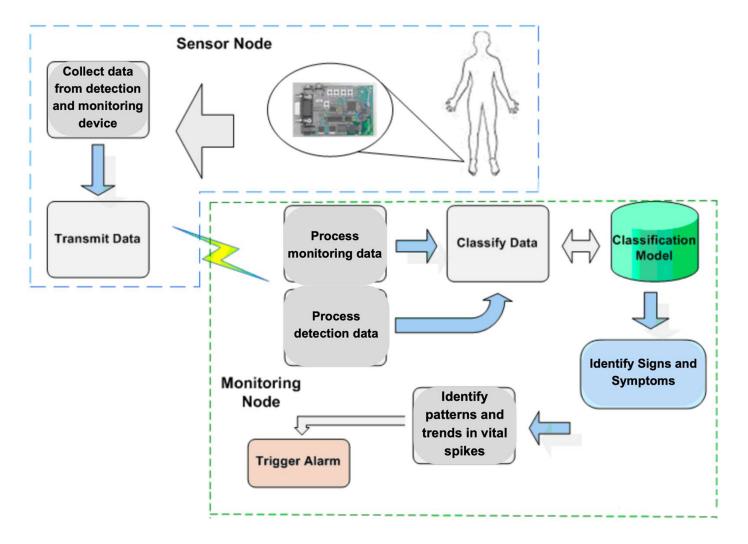


### **Expedition Operations**

Embassy personnel are recommended to wear at least one wearable technology to detect radioactive/ chemical threats and track vitals beyond embassy grounds.

> Devices include: Active dosimeters Smiths Detection LCD 4\ Biological monitoring device

#### **Data Analysis and Exportability**



## Thank You

#### Any Questions?

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