



**Association of Imaging Producers & Equipment Suppliers**  
(European Industrial Association for Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Healthcare)

By electronic and standard mail

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Dear Mr President,

As president of AIPES, I would like to thank you in advance for all the necessary actions that your company will undertake, after the HFR shutdown in Petten (The Netherlands), to compensate the shortages in nuclear raw material we are facing in Europe.

It is essential, for the credibility of nuclear medicine in the world that Nordion continues to supply the European companies with the appropriate radionuclides, in order to ensure the diagnosis and treatment of patients.

In the past, the mobilization of our community has been crucial to overcome similar critical situations.

Should you need any specific action from AIPES or if we can support you in any possible way, do not hesitate to contact either me or the AIPES office directly.

Yours faithfully,

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President AIPES

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