

GOLD BASED NANOBRACHYTHERAPY SYSTEMS: LASER ABLATION IN LIQUID AS A TOOL

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PROF. ROSTELATO HAS BEEN EXPLORING NANOBRACHYTHERAPY WITH AU-198 NANOPARTICLES SYNTHESIZED BY CHEMICAL REDUCTION FROM HOT METALLIC AU, ACTIVATED IN SITU IN THEIR POOL-TYPE NUCLEAR REACTOR.

RESULTS ARE PROMISING AS NPs DEMONSTRATED LOW WHOLE BODY TOXICITY, GOOD TUMOR RETENTION AND SIGNIFICANT SIZE REDUCTION ON A PROSTATE CANCER MODEL. PRELIMINARY DATA ON BREAST CANCER HAS SHOWN SIMILAR RESULTS AND AN ADDITIONAL REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OR DISTANT METASTASIS.

