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Korin—

If attributing, please attribute to “an EPA spokesperson:”

You should take KI only if you have been specifically advised to do so by local public health officials, emergency management officials or your doctor. It is not an “antiradiation” drug.

Some helpful links:

- [EPA's Protective Action Questions & Answers for Radiological and Nuclear Emergencies: A companion document to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Protection Action Guide \(PAG\) Manual](#)
- [The Federal Emergency Management Agency's \(FEMA's\) Improvised Nuclear Device Response and Recovery: Communicating in the Immediate Aftermath](#)
- Centers for Disease Controls webpage on Radiation Emergencies: <https://emergency.cdc.gov/radiation/index.asp>
- We recommend contacting the Department of Health and Human Services with any additional questions on medical countermeasures for response to a nuclear detonation.

Best,

Tricia

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**From:** Korin Miller Ex. 6  
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Hi Tricia!

We're doing a story for today on the [increase in sales of potassium iodine pills](#), it seems, because people are afraid of a nuclear attack. However, we've heard that they only help with radiation under very specific circumstances.

Do you have an expert who can connect on this before 4 pm EST today? If email is easier, here are my questions:

- \* What can potassium iodine pills do in the event of a nuclear attack?
- \* What can't they do?
- \* If you happened to be in a nuclear attack, what actually would help?

Please let me know. Thanks!

Korin

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