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## Therapeutic application of a mixture of <sup>64/67</sup>Cu radioisotopes.

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Copper radioisotopes, such as <sup>64</sup>Cu and <sup>67</sup>Cu, could be useful tools for diagnosis and therapy of cancers, due to the increased accumulation of Cu<sup>2+</sup> ions in the tumor site. While <sup>64</sup>Cu can be produced with high specific activity using low energy biomedical cyclotrons and it is already commercially available, <sup>67</sup>Cu production is more challenging, due to the difficulties to obtain a high yield without the co-production of other Cu-isotopes, especially <sup>64</sup>Cu. Due to the favorable decay characteristics of both <sup>64/67</sup>Cu radioisotopes, in this work the possibility of using a mixture of them for therapeutic purposes has been evaluated.

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