Subject: Re: Men's wristwatch 707/1

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Both examples in the thread are slightly different in the seconds from strap 112 and each other. I am interested to see where that goes.

Regarding removing radium, water will soften and/or dissolve it. It goes without saying that the water is radioactive after that... as is anything that touches the water (until thoroughly cleaned, though that will contaminate more water...). It can also be chipped off gently while dry. You do not want to breathe the dust - do it in a bag or better yet, outside and in a bag. It goes without saying that you should wear gloves.

Disposal of radioactive waste is generally regulated by the government. You are not supposed to throw it away, or wash it down the sink. I do not know the specific procedures for disposing of radium as a private individual in the US, though, much less the Netherlands.

A Geiger counter is a must to check for inadvertent contamination of your house/workspace after you have finished. Radium is fairly safe outside of the human body, but it is not at all safe inside it - and having it around your house in unknown places is a good way to get it inside you eventually.

All things considered, I would leave it be. It looks good as it is.