

The best part of our knowledge is that which teaches us where knowledge leaves off and ignorance begins --- 0. W. Holmes

GROUP NEUTRON CROSS-SECTION LIBRARY AVAILABLE FROM RSIC

A new 99-group neutron cross-section library is now available from RSIC. The set was derived from the current ENDF/B library by C. W. Craven, ORNL Reactor Division, and R. Q. Wright, Union Carbide Computing Technology Center, in cooperation with RSIC.

The energy range is from 0.414 eV to 14.9 MeV with a scattering angle expansion available up to P_8 . The cross-sections are available on tape in the BCD ANISN-DOT format. A program is also supplied which can punch input cards for the ANISN or DOT discrete ordinates codes.

About half the nuclides in the current ENDF/B library are regarded as "shielding nuclides" by RSIC. These are: H, D, 6-Li, 7-Li, Be, 10-B, 12-C, 14-N, 16-O, 23-Na, Mg, 27-Al, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Ni, 182-W, 183-W, 186-W, 235-U, 238-U.

The above nuclides currently will be provided on one tape when the "shielding" library is requested. Others are available upon request. These are: Nb, Mo, 135-Xe, 149-Sm, 151-Eu, 153-Eu, Gd, 164-Dy, 175-Lu, 176-Lu, Hf, 181-Ta, 197-Au, 232-Th, 233-Pa, 233-U, 234-U 236-U, 237-Np, 238-Pu, 240-Pu, 241-Pu, 242-Pu, 241-Am, 243-Am, 244-Cm, 174-Hf, 176-Hf, 177-Hf, 178-Hf, 179-Hf, 180-Hf.

The integral testing of the total cross sections for several of these nuclides has been reported by E. A. Straker, Experimental Evaulation of Minima in the Total Neutron Cross Sections of Several Shielding Materials, Nucl. Sci. Eng. 34(2), 114-121 (Nov. 1968); E. A. Straker, Sensitivity of Neutron Transport in Oxygen to Various Cross Section Sets, Nucl, Sci. Eng. 34(3) 332 (Dec. 1968), and A. E. Profio, Fast Neutron Spectrum from a Point Fission Source in Infinite Graphite, to be published as Shielding Benchmark Problem No. 1.

It is anticipated that alternate and additional evaluations including gamma-ray interaction and production cross sections, will be made available later from various sources including the ENDF/A files which now can utilize the ENDF/B format. One reel of magnetic tape should accompany a request for the "shielding-nuclides" data, and two reels are required for the entire library. Information should be supplied to RSIC which indicates how each tape should be written, e.g., the density and track-channel.

BUILDUP FACTORS IN CONCRETE

We have received a letter from F. Wolfgang Krüger, VEB Kernkraftwerksbaw, 110 Berlin, which discusses the results of his work published in *Kernergie*, 11(7), 197-203 (1968). He has used the Goldstein-Wilkins Z interpolation scheme to produce gamma-ray buildup factors for many types of concrete. He finds a much smaller discrepancy between the interpolation results and direct Moments Method results than reported by A. B. Chilton, *Nucl. Eng. and Design*, 6(3), 205-212 (1967) or F. H. Clark and D. K. Trubey, *Nucl. Applications*, 4(1), 37-41, (1968). Dr. Krüger finds a maximum deviation of about 20% out to 10 mfp.

RSIC RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING ICRU-DEFINED QUANTITIES PUBLISHED

The report, Use of ICRU-Defined Quantities and Units in Shielding, ORNL-RSIC-16, by D. K. Trubey has recently been issued. Discussions and recommendations are given concerning special problems which arise in shielding technology in application of the quantities defined by the International Commission on Radiation Units and Measurements. Report 10a, Radiation Quantities and Units, was reprinted in ORNL-RSIC-16 but is now superceded by Report 11. The latter report is now available from ICRU Publications, P. O. Box 4869, Washington, D. C., 20008 for \$1.00. Although Report 10a has been superceded, we feel no substantial changes have been made in the definitions which would affect the discussion in ORNL-RSIC-16.

ORNL NEUTRON PHYSICS DIVISION ANNUAL REPORT PUBLISHED

The ORNL Neutron Physics Division Annual Progress Report for Period Ending May 31, 1968, ORNL-4280 (Oct. 1968) is now available from ORNL or CFSTI. Summaries and abstracts are given under the following headings:

Nuclear and Reactor Physics, Critical Experiments, Reactor and Weapons Radiation Shielding, RSIC, Radiation Detection and Data-Handling Techniques, Theoretical Studies for Medium- and High-Energy Radiation Shielding, and Experimental Studies for Medium-Energy Radiation Shielding.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Arnost Hönig, Director of the Defectoscopic Center for Building Industry and Materials, Technical University, Brno, Czechoslovakia is now a visiting scholar in the Department of Nuclear Engineering, Purdue University. Before Dr. Hönig, an editor of the IAEA Engineering Compendium on Radiation Shielding, returns to Czecholovakia in March, he plans to visit a number of United States' laboratories.

F. O. Leopard is a new staff member at Radiation Research Associates (RRA) at Fort Worth, Texas. He was with General Dynamics, Fort Worth, for about 10 years working in shielding, reactor design, and reactor safety.

Stanton T. Friedman has left Westinghouse Astronuclear Laboratory and is now at 702 Summerlea St., Pittsburgh, Pa., doing some shielding work, writing and presenting lectures on Unidentified Flying Objects.

VISITORS TO RSIC

Visitors to RSIC during the month of October were: James Hurley, Bechtel Corporation, San Francisco, California; M. B. Wells, R. L. French, Norman Schaeffer, Radiation Research Associates, Fort Worth, Texas; Melvin Scott, Sandia Corporation, Albuquerque, New Mexico; John R. Lilley, McDonnell Douglas Astronautics, Santa Monica, Calif.; Maj. George H. Connor, Jr., Nuclear Defense Lab., Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland; James W. Haffner, North American Rockwell-Space Division. Downey, California; Hans Ludewig, Odelli Ozer, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York; G. P. Lahti, NASA-Lewis Research Center, Cleveland, Ohio; Tom Wilcox, Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, Livermore California; Lt. Robert F. Barry, USAF, Albuquerque, New Mexico; P. B. Hemmig, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D. C.; A. B. Chilton, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois; P. Gollon, Miguel Awschalom, National Accelerator Laboratory, Batavia, Illinois, Martin O. Burrell, NASA, Huntsville, Ala.; Arthur Reetz, Jr., Effects and Shielding, NASA Headquarters, Washington, D. C.; Lambros Lois, Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory, West Mifflin, Pa.; James C. Eamon, Richard K. Disney, Martin J. Schneider, Westinghouse Astronuclear Lab., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mal Kalos, N. Y. Univ. Courant Inst. of Math., New York, New York; N. Mathur, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia; Wolfram Uhlmann, Research Inst. of the Swedish National Defense, Stockholm 80, Sweden; K. Mori, Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute, Tokdi-Murd, Ibdraki-ken, Japan; Henry Stern, NASA, Huntsville, Ala.

NOVEMBER ACCESSION LIST OF LITERATURE

The RSIC is now aware of the literature cited in the following list. This literature has either been obtained by RSIC or has been placed on order. When received, this material will be examined and assigned to various files if suitable for our information system. The accession list is divided into three fields of (1) reactor and weapons shielding, (2) space and accelerator shielding, and (3) shielding computer codes. These titles are announced before processing and indexing so that there will be no delay and can serve as a prompt announcement of current literature.

RSIC is not a documentation center. Copies of the literature cited must generally be obtained from the author or from a documentation center such as the Clearinghouse for Federal Scientific and Technical Information, Springfield, Virginia 22151.

RSIC maintains a microfiche file of literature entered into its information system. Computer searches of this system (which produces a special bibliography) and duplicate microfiche copies of literature in our file are available upon request. Naturally we cannot supply copies of literature which is copyrighted (such as books or journal articles) or whose distribution is restricted. Neither service is yet available for the codes literature.

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