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Education is to man what manure is to the pea.

...Reginald C. Punnett (1907)

FOURTH UTILIZATION OF CALIFORNIUM-252 MEETING IN APRIL 1974

The fourth in a series of AEC-sponsored meetings on the applications of ^{252}Cf will be held on April 22-24, 1974, at the Town and Country Hotel, San Diego, California. Previous meetings were held in Augusta, Georgia, in November 1971; Chicago, Illinois, in May 1972; and New York City in March 1973.

The San Diego meeting will review progress made in developing applications of ^{252}Cf and will include discussions on basic neutron technology and on the use of the ^{252}Cf Demonstration Centers. The principal attraction of the three-day meeting will be six workshop sessions. In each session, a leader and a panel of experts will discuss informally one area of ^{252}Cf application. Tentative subjects are:

- . Neutron Technology and Safety
- . Activation Analysis
- . Aerospace Applications
- . Nuclear Industry Applications
- . Neutron Gauging and Process Control
- . Commercialization of Systems Using ^{252}Cf

The workshops will provide an opportunity for direct and open discussions of the advantages and problems involved in using ^{252}Cf .

For more details, prospective attendees should write or telephone W. R. Cornman, Californium-252 Information Center, Savannah River Laboratory, Aiken, South Carolina 29801; telephone (803) 824-6331, extension 2252.

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Published guides will be revised periodically, as appropriate, to accommodate comments and to reflect new information or experience.

Copies of published guides may be obtained by request indicating the divisions desired to the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D.C. 20545, Attention: Director of Regulatory Standards. Comments and suggestions for improvements in these guides are encouraged and should be sent to the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D.C. 20545, Attention: Chief, Public Proceedings Staff.

The guides are issued in the following ten broad divisions:

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| 1. Power Reactors | 6. Products |
| 2. Research and Test Reactors | 7. Transportation |
| 3. Fuels and Materials Facilities | 8. Occupational Health |
| 4. Environmental and Siting | 9. Antitrust Review |
| 5. Materials and Plant Protection | 10. General |

Guides of special interest include:

Regulatory Guide 2.1 Shield Test Program for Evaluation of
Installed Biological Shielding in
Research and Training Reactors

This Guide references ANSI Standard N18.9-1972.

Regulatory Guide 1.69 Concrete Radiation Shields for Nuclear Power
Plants.

This Guide references ANSI Standard N101.6-1972 "Concrete Radiation Shields."

FIRST TOPICAL MEETING ON
THE TECHNOLOGY OF CONTROLLED NUCLEAR FUSION
April 16-18, 1974, Sheraton Inn, San Diego, Ca 92101

The first topical meeting on the technology and engineering of controlled nuclear fusion is intended to provide a cross section of current status in this rapidly growing field. The program covers areas primarily related to the development of controlled thermonuclear fusion as a power generation source, and is international in scope. The speakers are persons actively engaged in this relatively new field, and we hope that much personal communication can be enjoyed. All persons interested in this

important subject are cordially invited to attend and participate in this meeting. San Diego promises to be comfortably cool in the spring and a wide variety of activities are available for your enjoyment.

The program includes the following sessions: REACTOR DESIGN; MATERIALS; SYSTEM STUDIES; NEUTRONICS; BLANKETS AND FIRST WALLS; RADIATION TEST FACILITIES; LASER FUSION; INJECTORS, DIVERTORS AND DIRECT CONVERSION; TRITIUM ENERGY BALANCE & FUEL CYCLES; PLASMAS; FUSION-FISSION; ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS; PLASMAS I.

Proceedings - Paper summaries will be distributed at the meeting. Full proceedings of the meeting will be published as CONF-740402 by the U. S. National Technical Information Service. These are included with registration and will be shipped about July 1, 1974.

Meeting Officials - Meeting officials can be contacted through G. R. Hopkins, General Chairman, General Atomic Company, P.O. Box 81608, San Diego, California 92138.

Meeting Sponsors - San Diego Section, Technical Group for Controlled Nuclear Fusion and Power Division - ANS; and U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

Meeting Organizers - G. R. Hopkins, General Chairman; R. W. Werner, Technical Program Chairman; J. R. Gilleland, Local Arrangements Chairman; C. C. Baker, Finance Chairman.

CHANGES TO THE CODE COLLECTION

The following changes were made to the code collection during January. In several instances, changes to existing code packages are described; others are new additions. Unless otherwise noted, requests should be accompanied by a full reel of magnetic tape.

CCC-82C/ANISN	One-Dimensional, Multigroup Discrete Ordinates Code. W.W. Engle, Jr., Oak Ridge National Laboratory, provided a revision to subroutine CLEAR to improve error procedures through ERRSET in the IBM 360 version.
CCC-187/SAM-CE	Monte Carlo Time-Dependent Three-Dimensional Complex (Combinatorial) Geometry Code System. The SAM-X ENDF format cross-section processor has been added. Contributed by Mathematical Applications Group, Inc., Elmsford, New York. CCC-187A, IBM 360; CCC-187B, CDC 6600.
CCC-229/KRONIC	Calculation of Annual Average External (Beta-Ray and Gamma-Ray) Doses from Chronic Atmospheric Releases of Radionuclides, contributed by Occupational and Environmental Safety Department, Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories, Richland, Washington. FORTRAN IV; UNIVAC 1108.

- CCC-230/TRIPLET Two-Dimensional, Multigroup, Triangular Mesh, Planar Geometry, Explicit Discrete Ordinates Code. A finite element method, in which the angular flux is assumed to be given by a low-order polynomial in each triangle, is used to solve the discrete ordinates equations. Contributed by Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. Reference: LA-5428-MS. FORTRAN IV. CCC-230A, CDC 7600; CCC-230B, CDC 6600; CCC-230C, IBM 360.
- CCC-231/FRCRL2 Calculation of Fission-Product Release in Reactor Accident Analyses, contributed by Battelle Columbus Laboratories, Columbus, Ohio. Reference: BMI-1913. FORTRAN IV; CDC 6400.
- PSR-63/AMPX Multigroup Cross Section Processor.
(a) New input cross section data (ENDF format) have been added to the package for the sample problem (C-12, O-16, Al-27, H-1, Ca, U-235, U-238).
(b) A correction has been recommended by John White, Computer Sciences Division, Union Carbide Corporation Nuclear Division. This update increases the storage available for resonance parameters read from ENDF data tapes. The change consists of replacing 2 statements in subroutine NITAWL. Replace statement ISN 0099 by
IGMP=MAXO(NCX,50*IGP,50*IPP,3000)
and replace statement ISN 0100 by
LPNC=LDSN+IGMP .
FORTRAN IV; IBM 360.
- PSR-69/POWER Source Input Data Generator for ANISN. Jim West of Babcock and Wilcox, the contributor, points out that the primary function is to generate a source distribution array for ANISN and to vary interval width for subsequent runs. (See Feb. 1974 Newsletter for original announcement.) FORTRAN IV; CDC 7600.
- PSR-74/TECALC Interactive Calculation of Compton, Coherent, and Photoelectric Mass Attenuation Coefficients for Photons ($E < 1$ MeV), and the Mass Absorption Coefficient for Known Materials. Contributed by Health Physics Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Reference: ORNL-TM-4451. BASIC; PDP-10.

CHANGES TO THE DNA WORKING CROSS SECTION LIBRARY

A new evaluation for carbon has been added to the DNA Working Cross Section Library by F. G. Perey, C. Perey, and C. Y. Fu of Oak Ridge National Laboratory. It is designated as DNA MAT 4274 MOD 0 Carbon.

Three partial evaluations, containing gamma-ray production data only, have also been added. P. Young of Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory has supplied DNA MAT 4547 MOD 0 Ag and DNA MAT 4550 MOD 0 Sn. C. Y. Fu and F. G. Perey of ORNL have supplied DNA MAT 4530 MOD 0 Zn.

A modification to the iron evaluation was recently made. The changes are summarized below.

IRON MAT 4180 ORNL
MOD 2 February 1974

This modification supersedes the previous evaluation, DNA 4180 MOD 1, evaluated by S. K. Penny, W. E. Kinney, R. Q. Wright, F. G. Perey and C. Y. Fu, of ORNL.

It was primarily intended for a revision of the secondary neutron distributions as new data have become available and as the pulsed sphere measurements and related calculations indicated that the previous neutron distributions were inadequate, and for a reevaluation of the gamma-ray production cross sections since the recently available data disagree substantially with the data set upon which the previous evaluation was largely based. These purposes were consistently achieved by an extensive calculation for Fe-56 which also led to the refinement of all reaction cross sections except capture. Significant changes are summarized below.

1. Total cross section between 60 keV and 2 MeV -- peaks and valleys were refined based on 3 sets of ORELA measurements using 1-, 4-, and 12-inch samples.
2. Nonelastic -- obtained by compromising 3 pieces of information, namely, the measured nonelastic cross section, the difference between the evaluated total cross section and the available elastic scattering cross section, and the theoretical interpretation of the total gamma-ray-production cross section. The calculated nonelastic cross section was normalized to this result for constraining the subsequent calculations.
3. Inelastic scattering -- 6 more discrete levels were added based on the Hauser-Feshbach and DWBA calculations in order to include the 4.505-MeV collective state as a discrete level. The direct-interaction components were included in 15 of the 26 discrete levels. The direct-interaction

component was included in the continuum using an empirical treatment. MT=51(0.846-MeV level) was changed between 2 and 5 MeV according to an evaluation by Smith which was based on all available data and his recent measurement. MT=52(the 1.408-MeV level in Fe-54) was revised based on recently available data.

4. The Hauser-Feshbach method was used to calculate the $((n,n')$ and (n,nx)), $((n,p)$ and (n,px)) and $((n,A)$ and (n,ax)) cross sections. The $((n,n')$ and (n,nx)) cross section above 4.531 MeV was split into the (n,n') continuum, $(n,2n)$, (n,np) and (n,na) cross sections using a statistical-empirical model. The empirical aspects include giant-dipole gamma-ray competition, angular-momentum correction for the second outgoing particle and direct or pre-equilibrium emission of the first particle.

5. The (n,p) cross section was well-defined by measurements and that of Fe-56 was well-fitted by calculation up to 13 MeV. The (n,pn) cross section was taken to be the difference between the calculated Fe-56 $((n,p)$ and (n,px)) cross section and the measured Fe-56 (n,p) cross section. Neutron distribution for the (n,pn) reaction was calculated and was averaged with that of the reaction for MT=28.

6. There is no measured Fe-56 (n,a) cross section. The calculated Fe-56 (n,a) cross section was restrained by the 14-MeV empirical value and the measured fission-spectrum averages. The Fe-54 (n,a) cross section was taken from a calculation by Kirouac and Slavik. The (n,an) cross section and neutron distribution were calculated and were combined with those of the (n,na) reaction for MT=22.

7. The (n,d) , (n,t) and $(n,He-3)$ cross sections were based on calculations using the Pearlstein empirical model and parameters.

8. The two major sets of the gamma-ray production cross sections agree within experimental errors for incident neutron energies below 6 MeV and then start to diverge, the GRT set being 1.6 barns larger than the ORNL set in the 11 to 15 MeV region. Other available data were too limited to resolve this discrepancy. The calculated results are intermediate between the two, being closer to the GRT measurement below 12 MeV and closer to the ORNL data above 12 MeV. For a tentative evaluation, the ORNL data were used for the energy distributions (File 15) as these were given in adequate neutron bins and were the only data available from 15 to 20 MeV. The gamma rays below 0.69 MeV were not measured and were filled in using the calculated values. Up to 10 MeV incident neutron energy, the energy conservation law relating the calculated outgoing particle energy and the evaluated gamma-ray energy was applied to determine the gamma-ray multiplicities. From 10 to 16 MeV the calculated multiplicities were used and were extrapolated to 20 MeV according to the shape given by the ORNL measurement.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Alvin M. Weinberg, who resigned his post as director of Oak Ridge National Laboratory to head the new Oak Ridge Associated Universities-formed Institute for Energy Analysis, effective January 3, was appointed by William E. Simon, administrator of the Federal Energy Office (FEO), as director of the New Energy Research and Development Office, on January 7. Dr. Weinberg is taking a leave of absence from the IEA for a period of at least six months to assume his post in Washington. In the interim, *H. G. MacPherson*, deputy director of IEA, will serve as acting director of the Institute.

Raphael (Ray) Aronson, formerly Professor of Nuclear Engineering at New York University, is with Polytechnic Institute of New York, in Brooklyn.

Theodore Kettler is now with Automation Industries, Inc., Nuclear Energy Services Division, Danbury, Connecticut.

VISITORS TO RSIC

Visitors to RSIC during the month of February were: Capt. J. A. Angelo, Jr., Patrick Air Force Base, Florida; W. S. Lyon, Jr., Analytical Chemistry Division, ORNL; J. Silva, KMS Fusion, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

FEBRUARY ACCESSION OF LITERATURE

The following literature cited has been ordered for review, and that selected as suitable will be placed in the RSIC Information Storage and Retrieval Information System (SARIS). This early announcement is made as a service to the shielding community. Copies of the literature are not distributed by RSIC. They may generally be obtained from the author or from a documentation center such as the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), Department of Commerce, Springfield, Virginia 22151.

RSIC maintains a microfiche file of the literature entered into SARIS, and duplicate copies are available on request. Naturally, we cannot fill requests for literature which is copyrighted (such as books or journal articles) or whose distribution is restricted.

Special bibliographies and selected computer-printed abstracts of the literature in the RSIC system are available upon request. The Selective Dissemination of Information (SDI) Service is available by submitting a list of subject categories defining the recipient's interests.

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