

Why Neutronics R&D for ITER

*Standard Engineering Practice:

- Perform prototypical experiments to:
 - a) verify performance, b) obtain measure of safety factor

*Licensing and/or Engineering Review will require credible experimental verification of nuclear performance prediction

*Nuclear Data and Codes have deficiencies

- Neutronics Experiments during the past several years have confirmed this

*Importance

- Nuclear Heating: temperature and many temperature-dependent material properties, tritium diffusion, etc.
Can not use safety factor

- Radioactivity/Decay Heat
Safety, Waste Disposal, Maintenance
Can not use safety factor

- Radiation Shield/Streaming
Protection of Components
Protection of Personnel
Safety Factor is expensive where possible
Safety Factor can not be used in other areas

-Difficulties

-It has become evident that integral measurements for fusion neutronics are difficult

-Need to develop measurement and experimental techniques e.g. nuclear heating

Neutronics R&D for ITER

Key Neutronics Areas

1. Radiation Transport
Penetrations Shield, Bulk Shield
2. Nuclear Heating
3. Radioactivity
4. [Tritium Heating]
Test Program, Base Machine?

Required R&D

- *Experimental Techniques and Measuring Methods
- *Integral Measurements for Penetrations and Bulk Shield
- *Integral Measurements for
 - Nuclear Heating
 - RadioactivityConcurrent with and/or separate from shield experiments
- *Others
 - Code Improvement (transport, response)
 - Basic Data Measurement and Evaluation
 - Basic Data Processing and Working Libraries

Leading Neutron Source Facilities*

Facility Intensity	Location	Mode of Operation	Type	Source
FNS	JAERI (Japan)	- Pulsed	- Point	3×10^{11} and 5×10^{12} n/s
		- Continuous	- Simulated Line Source	3×10^{11} n/s
FNG	Frascati (Italy/EC)	- Pulsed - Continuous	- Point	5×10^{11} n/s
TUD	Dresden (Germany/EC)	- Pulsed - Continuous	- Point	2×10^{11} n/s

Other facilities available:

Switzerland : LOTUS, S ~ 5×10^{12} n/s
Japan : OKTAVIAN, Osaka University, S ~ 5×10^{11} n/s
Germany : KfK, Karlsruhe, S ~ 10^9 n/s
Russia : IAE, Kurchatov, Moscow, S ~ 5×10^{10} /s
 MEPI, Moscow, S ~ 5×10^{10} n/s
 KPI, Moscow, S ~ 5×10^{10} n/s
China : SWINPS, Chengdu, S ~ 10^9 n/s
USA : ORNL, Oak Ridge, S ~ 10^{10} n/s
 FNG, ANL, S ~ 10^{10} n/s
 INEL, Idaho, S ~ 10^8 n/s

Example Proposed Distribution of Experiments by Facility

(Exact Distribution should be developed based on availability of facility and resources)

FNS (Fusion Neutronics Source):

- Thick Bulk Shield Experiments

<u>Type</u>	<u>No of Expmts.</u>
- W/O Openings/Gaps	12
- W/ Openings/Gaps	12

- In-conjunction measurements on Activation/Afterheat and Nuclear Heating

- Stand-Alone measurements on Activation/Afterheat and Nuclear Heating

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FNG (Frascati Neutron Generator):

- Thin Bulk Shield Experiments

<u>Type</u>	<u>No of Expmts.</u>
- W/O Openings/Gaps	6
- W/ Openings/Gaps	6

- In-conjunction measurements on Activation/Afterheat and Nuclear Heating

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TUD (Technical University at Dresden):

<u>Type</u>	<u>No of Expmts.</u>
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- Biological Shield Experiments
- Stand-Alone measurements on activation/Afterheat
- In- conjunction measurements in the biological shield experiments on nuclear heating and Activation/Afterheat

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Other Facilities

e.g. LOTUS

Develop schedule based on availability of facilities

US Interests in ITER R&D

(Areas we should go after)

*Lead Party for Analysis and Interpretation of experiments

- Maintain reference codes and libraries
- Analyze experiments performed by other parties on a common basis
- Provide clear interpretation of results

*Lead Party for Development of Measurement and Experimental Techniques for Nuclear Heating and/or Radioactivity/Decay Heat

*Collaborate with other parties (EC, Japan) on specific areas (Do not limit to one party)

*Support Role in other areas

Remarks on Neutronics R&D for ITER

* Specification of R&D Requirements should evolve from joint reviews by:

1. ITER Designers
2. Neutronics R&D Experts

* Execution of R&D:

-This area is ideal for 25% per party

-A plan should be developed taking into account strengths of each party

-Must encourage collaboration on R&D among parties (bilaterals, trilateral mechanisms do not now exist for ITER)

-Strongly Recommended:

*Analysis of Experiments should be carried out by a group different from the experimental group

*Preferably, there should be a group (party) responsible for analysis and normalization of all experiments

Recent/Near Term Communications

*IEA

- Agreement signed

- Maekawa signed this year

- Meeting in Rome (September 92)

*International Neutronics Workshop (Frascati, September 92)

- Discussions

- Forming International Workshop

*Expected Meeting in Tokyo

- End of March, 1993