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中性子核データの測定に対する特に強い要望のリスト

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中性子核データの測定に対する要望の中から特に強く要望されているものを選び出してNEAの「測定に対する要求リストに関する委員会」 へ提出した。この作業はNEANDCの要請に応えてシグマ研究委員会のWRENDAワーキンググループが行ったもので,最終的には WRENDA76/77に登録されている要望の中から選んだものに若干の修正とコメントを加えた内容にたっている。

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Japanese Nuclear Data Committee (JNDC) has continued to contribute to the WRENDA activity since 1968. A Working Group for WRENDA activity for fission reactors has been convened every year to screen new requests and to examine the old Japanese requests which had been compiled in WRENDA library. Requests for safeguards and fusion have been processed by other Working Groups of the JNDC. In 1975, the Working Group for fission reactors received about 100 new requests and reduced them by one-half through screening. The old requests registered in WRENDA 75 were examined whether they should be left, modified or deleted. After this, the Working Group compiled a Japanese list of requests in 1975 which is composed of 163 requests including the remaining old requests and adopted new ones, and presened it to WRENDA 76/77. In the present note, we picked up from these requests what were considered to be most urgently needed for fission reactors. The following is a brief description of the reason behind requests presented in this note.

A Working Group on fission Product Nuclear Data in JNDC had stressed the need of the measurements for the neutron capture cross section of the following thirteen nuclides in the energy region from 100 eV to 400 keV : Tc-99, Ru-101, Pd-105, Pd-107, Ag-109, Xe-131, Cs-133, Cs-135, Nd-143, Nd-145, Pm-147, Sm-149 and Sm-151. The reasons for the choice of these nuclides are the following:

(1) they are of primary importance for prediction of the effect of the fission products on the fast reactors,

(2) no experimental data of capture cross sections exist except in the resonance energy region,

and

(3) there are large discrepancies among existing data as in the case of Ag-109 and Cs-133.

A Working Group on Compilation of Japanese Evaluated Nuclear Data Library has discussed various problems about the status of the experimental data and presented the following requests. The fission cross section of U-235 plays

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a central role on the evaluation of heavy element nuclear data which were obtained by the relative measurements to the U-235 fission cross section. Though the discrepancies among recent data are fairly reduced, more accuracy than 2% is still required for determination of the energy dependence, in particular, in the region 100 keV to 1 MeV.

The total cross section gives apparently the upper limit of the partial cross sections and is reproduced by the theoretical calculations rather easily. Inversely, the experimental total cross section is used to determine the model parameters in the theoretical calculations which are also useful for estimation of some partial cross sections. In this sense, the total cross sections of Pu-240 and Pu-241 are required in the present note. Besides, they may be useful for estimation of the unresolved resonance parameters. The neutron capture cross section of Pu-240 is needed for safety problems of the fast reactors after high burn up. Status of the data is unsatisfactory for these problems as well as for irradiation tests of the fuel.

Build-up of transplutonium nuclides in spent fuel is an important problem in the transportation and reprocessing of the spent fuel. In particular, estimation of the build-up of Am-242 is necessary for neutron shielding design of the transport cask of the spent fuel, because of the neutron emission through spontaneous fission. For this estimation, the neutron capture cross section of Am-241 must be known, but the present status of the data is very poor. Therefore, it is emphatically wanted to measure the capture cross section of Am-241. Besides, the capture cross sections of Am-243, Cm-242, Cm-243 and Cm-244 are necessary for estimation of the build-up of heavier nuclides. The fission cross section of Am-241 must be measured in order to reduce the large discrepancy below 500 keV.

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NO.	NUCLIDE	QUANTITY ENERGY (EV) ACCURACY
		MIN MAX (%)
1	99 Tc Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.2+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. Data by Chou et al. do not agree with integral data.
2	101 Ru Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. No experimental data above 100 eV.
3	105 _{Pd} Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. Discrepancies exist among experimental data.
4	107 _{Pd} Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. No experimental data above 100 eV.
5	109 _{Ag} Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 30.0 For fast reactor calculations. Large discrepancies exist among experimental data.
6	131 _{Xe} Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 30.0 For fast reactor calculations. No experimental data above 100 eV.
7	133 _{Cs} Comment :	N, GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. The experimental data are abundant in the energy range below 15 MeV, but systematic discrepancies are observed in the range above 10 keV. Recent data by Yamamuro et al. indicate low values at 24 keV. Absolute measurement is further required.
8	135 Cs Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 20.0 For fast reactor calculations. No experimental data above 100 eV.
9	143 _{Nd} Comment :	N,GAMMA 1.0+2 4.0+5 30.0 For fast reactor calculations. No experimental data above 100 eV. Large discrepancies among evaluated data.

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NO.	NUCLIDE	QUANTITY	ENERGY (EV)	ACCURACY	
			MIN MAX	(%)	
10	145 Nd Comment :	N,GAMMA For fast reactor calculatio	1.0+2 4.0+5 ns. No experimental	30.0 data above 100 eV.	
11	147 Pm Comment :	N,GAMMA For fast reactor calculatio	1.0+2 4.0+5 ns. No experimental	30.0 data above 100 eV.	
12	149 _{Sm} Comment :	N,GAMMA For fast reactor calculatio at 30 keV.	1.0+2 4.0+5 ons. No experimental	20.0 data except a measurement	
13	151 Sm Comment :	N,GAMMA For fast reactor calculation	1.0+2 4.0+5 ons. No experimental	30.0 data above 100 eV.	
14	233 _{Pa} Comment :	N,GAMMA For burn-up calculation of	2.0+1 1.5+7 Th fueled thermal re	10.0 actors. No experimental data.	
15	235 _U Comment :	FISSION For evaluation of the nucle thermal and fast reactors. between the experimental da 70 keV, because of strong e with monochromatic neutron	1.0+3 2.0+7 ear data on U-235, an Absolute measuremen ata are very remarkab energy dependence in beam desired.	2.0 d design calculation for t wanted. Discrepancies le in the energy range below this region. Measurements	
16	²³⁹ Pu Comment :	FISSION For fast reactor calculation experimental data.	1.0+3 1.5+7 ons. Discrepancies s	2.0 till exist among recent	
17	²⁴⁰ Pu Comment :	TOTAL For fast reactor calculation and above 1.5 MeV. Data ar	6.0+3 1.5+7 ons. No experimental re required for perfo	5.0 data between 6 and 100 keV, rming self-consistent evaluation	n.
18	²⁴⁰ Pu Comment :	N,GAMMA For fast reactor calculatic above 350 keV.	1.0+3 2.0+6 ons. Insufficient ex	10.0 perimental data. No measuremen	t

NO.	NUCLIDE	QUANTITY	ENERGY (EV)	ACCURACY			
			MIN MAX	(%)			
19	$241_{P_{11}}$	ΤΟΤΑΙ.	2.0+3 1.5+7	5 0			
17	Comment .	For fast reactor calculat	ions No experimental d	ata aboya 2 keV			
	oonmente .	Data are required for per	forming colf-consistent	ata above 2 Kev.			
		Data ale required for per	iorming serr-consistent	evaluation.			
10	241 _{n.}		101 2016	0.0			
20	Pu	ALPRA		8.0			
	Comment :	For fast reactor calculat	ions. Insufficient expe	rimental data.			
	242_						
21	- Pu	N, GAMMA	1.0+3 2.0+6	10.0			
	Comment :	For shielding of spent fu	el. Insufficient experi	mental data.			
	No experimental data above 100 keV.						
	0/1						
2 2	Am	N, GAMMA	1.0+2 2.0+6	10.0			
	Comment : For estimation of build-up of transplutonium nuclides in spent fu						
		cross sections of the gro	und and isomer states of	Am-242. Neutron shielding			
		design for transport cask	of spent fuel Insuffi	cient experimental data			
		design for transport cask	of spene ruer. Ansurr	erene experimental data.			
^ 2	241	FICCION	1 0+2 1 0+7	10.0			
23			1.0+2 1.0+7				
	Comment : For estimation of build-up of transplutonium nuclides in spent fuel. Neutron shielding design for transport cask of spent fuel. Large discrepan						
		exist among experimental	data below 500 keV. Ins	ufficient data above 5 MeV.			
	242						
24	Am	N,GAMMA	THR 2.0+6	30.0			
	Comment :	For estimation of build-u	p of transplutonium nucl:	ides in spent fuel.			
		(n, γ) cross sections of t	he ground and isomer sta	tes of Am-242. Neutron			
		shielding design for tran	sport cask of spent fuel	. Insufficient experimental			
		data.					
25	243 _{Am}	N CAMMA	2 0+1 2 0+6	20.0			
<i>L J</i>	nu Commont	For optimation of build	2.011 2.010	20.0			
	comment :	roi estimation of pulld-u	p of transplutonium nucl	ides in spent ruel.			
		rroduction cross sections	or the ground and isome	r states of Am-244.			
		Neutron shielding design	tor transport cask of sp	ent tuel. Insufficient			
		experimental data.					

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NO.	NUCLIDE	QUANTITY	ENERGY (EV)		ACCURACY		
			MIN	MAX	(%)		
26	242 _{Cm}	N, GAMMA	THR	2.0+6	30.0		
	Comment : For estimation of build-up of transplutonium nuclides in spent fuel.					fuel.	
		Neutron shielding design for transport cask of spent fuel. No experimental dat					
27	242 Cm Comment :	FISSION For estimation of build-	THR up of transp	1.5+7 lutonium nuc	30.0 clides in spent	fuel.	
		Neutron shielding design experimental data.	for transpo	rt cask of s	spent fuel. Ins	ufficient	
28	243 _{Cm}	N, GAMMA	1.0+0	2.0+6	30.0		
	Comment :	For estimation of build- Neutron shielding design	up of transp for transpo	olutonium nuc ort cask of s	clides in spent spent fuel. No	fuel. experimental data.	
29	244 _{Cm}	N, GAMMA	5.0+1	2.0+6	10.0		
	Comment :	For estimation of build- Neutron shielding design	up of transp for transpo	olutonium nuc ort cask of s	clides in spent spent fuel. No	fuel. experimental data.	