



**International Atomic Energy Agency**

# **Nuclear Data Activities at the IAEA-NDS**

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# Outline

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# NRDC

- **International Network of Nuclear Reaction Data Centres (NRDC)**
- **Aim:**
  - ▶ **EXFOR**
- **Core data centres:**
  - ▶ **NNDC**
  - ▶ **NEA-DB**
  - ▶ **IAEA-NDS**
  - ▶ **CJD**
- **9 specialized centres**
- **Meeting Vienna, 21-23 April 2015 (without Centre Heads)**



# NSDD

- **International Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators (NSDD)**
- **Aim:**
  - ▶ Provide up-to-date evaluated nuclear structure and decay data
- **Regular meetings since 1974**
- **Last 20-24 April 2015 in Vienna see <http://www-nds.iaea.org/nsdd/>**
- **18 evaluation centres**
- **ENSDF master database at NNDC**



# EXFOR

- Database of compiled experimental data
- The EXFOR database was established in the 1960s
- Originally exclusively neutron-induced reaction data
- Now includes charged particle data and higher energies
- Since 2003 the EXFOR libraries at the various data centres have been merged
- NDS has responsibility for the maintenance of this Master file



## EXFOR (cont.)

- **EXFOR Compilation Control System** used to coordinate the compilation of the data centres
- The average time between publication and compilation remains steady ~ 6 months
- EXFOR contains data for **20,841** experiments, **12,973,559** data points, web content is updated monthly
- Continuing effort to remove errors and inconsistencies from the database



## EXFOR (cont.)

- To make best use of these data considerable work on various retrieval and **visualisation systems**
- **Output formats:**
  - ▶ EXFOR+ format
  - ▶ XML and HTML
  - ▶ C4 format - numeric data in simple tables
  - ▶ C5 format – C4 + uncertainty split (stat/syst)
  - ▶ Standard EXFOR format
- **Development of EXFOR-XML and possible unification with ENDF in frame of SG 38**



## New features

- **Inverting reaction data using detailed balance.**  
Example:  $^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{16}\text{O}(n, \alpha)^{13}\text{C}$
- **Text search** in extended EXFOR (e.g.: “kerma”, “PFNS”, etc.)
- **Database of expert's corrections to EXFOR data on Web** (e.g. Fe-54(n,p); Mn-55(n,2n), (n,g); **allows archival of needed known corrections to entries in EXFOR**)
- **Universal X4Plot** with arbitrary selection and grouping columns
- **New version (v2) of XML output format**





# CRPs

- **Coordinated Research Projects (CRPs) - an IAEA tool to produce outputs by encouraging collaboration between various parties**
- **2 new CRPs started**
  - ▶ Improving the RIPL database, focussing on fission
  - ▶ Plasma wall interaction with low-activation steel surfaces in fusion devices (A+M)
- **Report on Prompt Fission CRP in final stages of preparation**



# **Beta-delayed neutron emission evaluation (2013-2017) P. Dimitriou**

- **Beta-delayed neutrons are important for energy production, astrophysics and nuclear theory**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> RCM held 23-27 March 2015 in Vienna**
- **INDC(NDS)-0683, summary report in preparation**



# Validation of the International Dosimetry Library (IRDFF) (2013-2017) Simakov-Capote

- A new version of dosimetry library for fission and fusion applications (IRDFF v1.05) released in October 2014
- 2<sup>nd</sup> RCM held 16-20 March 2015 in Vienna
- INDC(NDS)-0682, summary report in preparation
- See <https://www-nds.iaea.org/IRDFF/> for details



# Primary Radiation Damage Cross Sections (2013-2017) Simakov-Forrest

- **Bring together Nuclear Data and Materials Experts**
  - ▶ to revisit NRT-dpa standard and to implement an upgraded one and improve gas production cross sections
- **2<sup>nd</sup> RCM to be held 29 June - 2 July 2015**
- **See <https://www-nds.iaea.org/CRPdpa/> for details**



# Data Development Projects

- **Work on improving neutron cross section standards – 2nd TM was held 1-5 December 2014 with plan to release next version in 2016**
- **CIELO Project:**
  - ▶ **Improvements to the U-238 starter file**
  - ▶ **Evaluation of U-235 PFNS (related to the project on Nuclear Reaction Standards )**
  - ▶ **Evaluation of U-235 cross sections in the fast neutron energy range**
  - ▶ **Evaluation and validation of the Fe-56 cross sections above the resonance range**



## Other points

- **Meetings of INDC and IFRC A+M subcommittee in 2016**
- **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NDS (June 2014) was well received see [https://www-nds.iaea.org//50years\\_NDS/](https://www-nds.iaea.org//50years_NDS/)**
- **Internal evaluation of NDS was completed**



# Training

- Provide outreach in the form of training, especially to developing countries
- Workshops held at **ICTP Trieste** (3 in 2015)
  - ▶ Modern Methods in Plasma Spectroscopy, A+M (*March*)
  - ▶ Nuclear Data for Neutron Dosimetry and Analytical Methods by Applying Research Reactors (*April*)
  - ▶ Nuclear Data Measurements for Science and Applications in collaboration with n\_TOF/CERN (*October*)







## News

- **IAEA-NDS intends to set up the Nuclear Data Evaluation Network (similar to NRDC)**
- **R. Forrest will retire from the IAEA**
- **A. Koning will succeed R. Forrest as the Section Head in summer**



**Thank you!**

