Japanese Activities in Nuclear Data Measurement

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Nuclear Data Measurement in Japan



Activities by J-PARC • MLF • ANNRI collaboration in 2018

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Facility

J-PARC : Japan Accelerator Research Complex



J-PARC Materials and Life Science Experimental Facility



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ANNRI

ANNRI (Accurate Neutron Nucleus Measurement Instrument)



Ge Spectrometer



- 2 cluster-Ge detectors
 - (7 Ge crystals are installed in the detector)
- 8 coaxial-Ge detectors
- ->Peak efficiency for 1.33MeV γ-rays: 3.64 ± 0.11 %
- New DAQ System (CAEN 1724,1720) is installed.

Measurements of neutron capture cross sections of ^{241,243}Am, ^{137,135}Cs, ^{244,246}Cm and stable isotopes have been finished in recent years.



Li Glass detectors for total cross section measurement



Selected results in 2018: Total and Capture cross section of ²⁴¹Am



K. Terada, et. Al., JNST, Vol.55, No.10, pp.1198-1211

Sample:

 241 Am 957.4 \pm 0.5 [MBq]

Activity of ²⁴¹Am was determined with an uncertainty of 0.45% using a calorimetric method.

Capture: 10meV~100eV Ge detectors with PHWT were applied. $\sigma_{25.3meV}$ =707±29(b) ...4.0% Unc. \Rightarrow Self-shielding of ¹⁰B: 2.3% Extrapolation of PH spectra: 2.9%

Total: 10meV~2eV $\sigma_{25.3meV}$ =730±21(b) ...2.9% Unc. \Rightarrow Sample diameter: 2%

²⁴³Am measurements were published in 2019 (JNST, Vol.56, No.6, pp.479-492)

Activities at JAEA Tandem Accelerator Facility

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20 MV

Equipment at the JAEA Tandem Accelerator Facility



Surrogate Reactions for Fission Data

Method Using multi-nucleon transfer reactions, excited compound nuclides are populated. The multi-nucleon transfer channels of ¹⁸O + ²³⁷Np were used.

- The populated nuclides and excited energy are Identified by detecting recoiled particles with silicon ΔE-E detectors.
- Both fission fragments (double-velocity measurement) are detected using multi-wire proportional counters and micro-channel plate (MCP) based timing detectors.
- Coincidence with prompt neutrons (liquid scintillation detectors with n/g discrimination technique).

Obtained Data

- Fission cross sections
- Fission fragment mass distribution
- Prompt neutron multiplicity and energy spectra





Array of 33 liquid scintillators (d5"x t2") around the fission chamber (Planning to add 12 detectors.)

R. Léguillon *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **761**, 125 (2016). OEQR/NirosePe*Eal*Q:Phys. Rev. Lett. **119**, 222501 (2017).

Selected Results in 2018

from surrogate fission setup

Fission barrier heights were determined for nuclei, ^{239}Np , $^{239,240}Pu$ in the multi-nucleon transfer channels of $^{18}O + ^{237}Np$. The results agree with the literature data, validating our method to determine the fission barrier.

Isotope	Reference	$B_f(MeV)(inner, outer)$
²³⁹ Np	This work: (²³⁷ Np(¹⁸ O, ¹⁶ O) ²³⁹ Np) RIPL3 [15] ²³⁸ U(³ He,d) ²³⁹ Np [12]	5.86 ± 0.09
²³⁹ Pu	This work: (²³⁷ Np(¹⁸ O, ¹⁶ N) ²³⁹ Pu) RIPL3 [15]	$\frac{6.14 \pm 0.12}{6.20, \ 5.70}$
²⁴⁰ Pu	$\frac{\text{This work: } (^{237}\text{Np}(^{18}\text{O},^{15}\text{N})^{240}\text{Pu})}{\text{RIPL3 [15]}} \\ ^{238}\text{Pu}(\text{t,p})^{240}\text{Pu [11]}$	$\frac{6.25 \pm 0.32}{6.05 , 5.15} \\ 5.80 \pm 0.20, 5.45 \pm 0.20$



K.R. Kean et al., Phys. Rev. C, accepted.

Surrogate Reactions for Capture Cross Sections

Method

• Populate excited compound nuclides using multi-nucleon transfer reactions. Identification of nucleus and its excitation energy is given by silicon ΔE -E detectors

- Gamma-rays emitted in the deexcitation process are detected by two anti-Compton LaBr₃(Ce) spectrometers.



Detector setup for the surrogate capture measurement.

Energy Resolution

H. Makii *et al.*, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A, **797**, 83 (2015). S. Q. Yan et al., Phys. Rev. C, **94**, 015804 (2016).

Selected Results

from surrogate capture setup

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The 95 Zr(*n*, γ) 96 Zr Cross Section from the Surrogate Ratio Method and Its Effect on *s*-process Nucleosynthesis

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Measurement of *p/d* induced isotopic cross sections by inverse kinematics technique at RIBF

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Experiment @ RIBF



Results (Yield determination to each isotope)



Recent results of isotopic cross sections for ¹⁰⁷Pd@ 50 MeV/u



H. Wang, et. al., Comm. Phys. to be published.

Activities at Ko-nan Univ.

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Progress report on the PHOENIX* Collaboration



As a part of IAEA-CRP F41032 5 year-project (2016-2020)

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Laser Compton scattering



Flat-efficiency neutron detector

H. Utsunomiya et al., Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 871 (2017) 135-141.



Configurati on	³ He counters	Distance [cm]
Ring 1	4	5.5
Ring 2	9	13.0
Ring 3	18	16.0
Total	31	



Data Acquisition

	(γ, xn) cross sections	(γ, 1n) cross sections
2015	209Bi, 9Be	203TI, 205TI, 89Y
2016	197Au, 169Tm, 89Y	1920s, 185Re, 138Ba, 137Ba, 64Ni, 61Ni, 60Ni, 58Ni, 13C
2017	181Ta, 165Ho, 59Co	184W, 183W, 182W, 68Zn, 66Zn, 64Zn
2018	159Tb, 139La, 103Rh	160Gd, 158Gd, 157Gd, 156Gd
	All Da	ta taking: Done

All evaluations: Done

2019 Submission of the updated photonuclear data library to Nuclear Data Sheet and the reference database of photon strength functions to European Physical Journal A

2020 Publications

IAEA-CRP F41032

Selected Results

IAEA-CRP Data **Evaluation: EMPIRE**

159Tb

Neutron vield cross sections: $\sum_{i} i \cdot \sigma(\gamma, inx)$



Activities at National Institutes for Quantum and Radiological Science and Technology (QST)

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Measurements of nuclear resonance fluorescence (NRF) using polarized and unpolarized photon beams

Facilities:

NewSUBARU (Univ. of Hyogo), HI γ S (Duke University), γ ELBE (HZDR)

NRF takes place via only electro-magnetic interaction:

✓ Model independent extraction of transition strength
 ✓ Selective excitation of dipole states
 ✓ Unambiguous spin and parity determination (1⁻ or 1⁺) using a polarized photon beam

Experimental Setup at NewSUBARU

Example Electrons Energy: 600-1500MeV Current: Max.250mA Nd:YVO₄ l=1064nm Power: 20W

LCS γ -ray beam Max. energy: 6-39MeV Ave. flux: $\sim 6 \times 10^5$ /s





Pb collimator



Results of NRF measurements for ⁵²Cr



Typical NRF spectrum

Measured M1 strength compared with RPA calculations



OECD/NEA WPEC 2017. Shizuma et al., PRC 96, 044316 (2,017).

Neutron Production DDX from Heavy-Ion Interactions @ NIRS-HIMAC

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Neutron DDX from Heavy-Ion Interactions @ QST-NIRS-HIMAC

- Kyushu U., Hiroshima U.,
 QST-NIRS, Sungkyunkwan U,
 Myongji U
- Systematic neutron cross sections for shielding design

290 MeV/u Xe(C, xn) DDX

 HIMAC PH2 beam line
 Beam: 290 MeV/u Xe, ~10⁵ pps
 Target: C
 Detection: Liquid Scintillator NE213, EJ301 + TOF
 Directions: 15° - 90°



Experimental setup at HIMAC



Neutron production from thick targets bombarded by 13.4-MeV deuterons

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Background and Purpose

- Neutron production from deuteron-induced reactions has been proposed as a candidate of accelerator-based neutron source for various applications such as transmutation of radioactive waste and production of medical radioisotopes.
- For the design of such neutron sources, comprehensive knowledge of deuteroninduced reactions is essential. So far, experimental data of thick target neutron yields (TTNYs) have been obtained at deuteron energies below 10 MeV and theoretical model analyses have been performed in Kyushu University.
 - M. Drosg et al. have focused on neutron production with triton irradiation and recently measured triton-induced TTNYs (t-TTNYs) from some target materials by 20.22-MeV triton irradiation. To compare deuteron-induced TTNYs (d-TTNYs) with t-TTNYs at the same incident energy per nucleon and the same target materials, we have conducted a new measurement of d-TTNYs at the incident energy of 13.4 MeV, or 6.7 MeV/nucleon, and analyzed them with theoretical models.

Experiment @Kyushu U.

Measurement of double-differential thick target neutron yields from **13.4-MeV deuteron** bombardment using an unfolding method:

- Facility: 8-MV Tandem accelerator at CABAS, Kyushu U.
- Targets: Thick LiF, C, Si, Ni, Mo, and Ta
- Emission angles : 0, 3.5, 15, and 30 degrees for C, 0, 15, and 30 for LiF, and 0 degree for the other targets,
- Detector: Liquid Scintillator EJ301 (2" in dia. & 2" thick)





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Experimental setup @ Kyush³⁸U

Experimental Results



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Neutron TTY from α Induced Reaction @ RIKEN

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Neutron TTY @ RIKEN

Kyushu U., RIKEN Nishina Center, KEK

- Neutron thick target yields for shielding design
- AVF cyclotron E7B course
 Beam: 7 MeV/u α, 30 pnA
 Target: Bi
 Detection: EJ301 + TOF
 Directions: 0°, 45°, 90°
- INCL model better than QMD model in PHITS



90° x 10⁻⁴

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Neutron Energy [MeV] 7 MeV/u α(Bi, xn) TTY

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12

10

14

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 10^{-}

 10^{-13}

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Thank you for your attention!!