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Fission Product Evaluations

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Summary of Fission Product Evaluations (Z = 31 - 68)

ENDF/B-VI.8: 201 materials (197 isotopic, 4 elemental)

All materials in VI.8 were replaced!

ENDF/B-VII beta1: 219 materials (all isotopic)

FP evaluations are based on 4 activities

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1. Review of all FP evaluations in 2001-2004 by SG21

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2. Evaluations for Atlas of Neutron Resonances, 2001-2005

Atlas of Neutron Resonances

Resonance Parameters and Thermal Cross Sections

S.F. Mughabghab

Elsevier 2006

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3. EMPIRE improved & tested extensively in 2001-2004



Empire is powerful tool for cross-section evaluation, talk by Mike Herman.

4. Evaluations using EMPIRE in 2004-2005

- BNL
- BNL-KAERI
- BNL-JAERI
- LLNL (74,75-As)

Example of recent BNL evaluation: Gd isotopes, talk by Dimitri Rochman.





WPEC Subgroup 23: Create library and partly validate (2004–2006)

Complete library was created in 2004-2005 in 3 steps:

- 1. Initial library with 164 materials was created
 - Dunford (NNDC) converted full files (mostly JENDL-3.3)
 - Dunford merged mf2 (mostly Atlas) and fast region (mostly JENDL-3.3)
 - Pronayev (Obninsk) reviewed 156 files, mostly mf2 and corrected 43 files
 - Nakagawa (JAERI) reviewed remaining 8 files and corrected 5 files





2. New evaluations for 61 materials with EMPIRE

- Iwamoto (JAERI) evaluated 5 isotopes of Ge, focus on photon production
- Kim (KAERI) re-evaluated 20 priority isotopes, focus on total, (n,n'), photon production
- Rochman (NNDC) re-evaluated 8 isotopes of Gd, also Tc-99 and Eu-153
- Sarer (Turkey) evaluated 24 low priority materials
- Mughabghab (NNDC) reviewed mf2 (thermal, RRR, URR) for all files listed above
- Brown (LLNL) evaluated 2 isotopes of As

3. Complete library with 219 materials

- Herman (NNDC) put together, for 6 overlaps new evaluations were adopted
- Zajac (Bratislava) performed phase1 testing, NJOY-MCNP

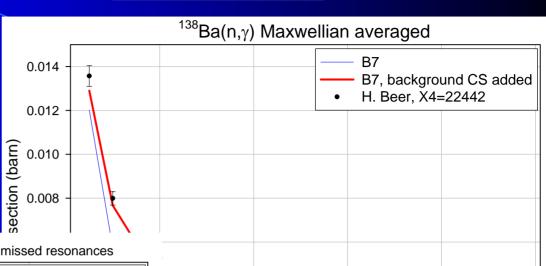
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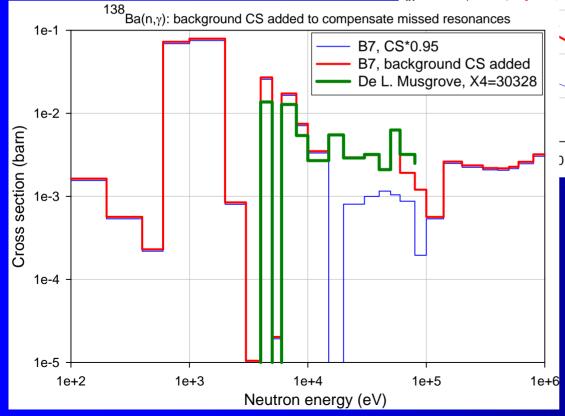
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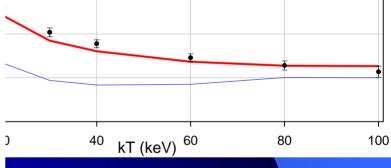




Corrections in 43 files by Pronayev, mostly in mf2. Example: 138-Ba(n,γ)



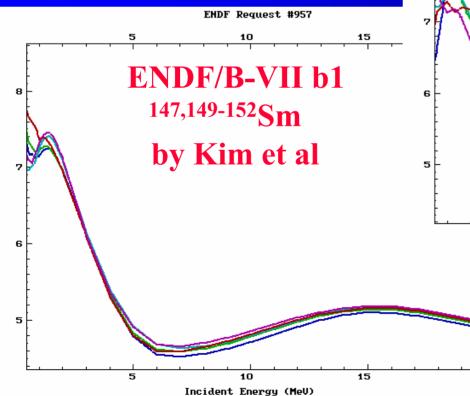




FP library testing: Consistency check

Compare isotopes with given Z: Example, total cross sections for 5 isotopes of Sm

Cross Section (barns)

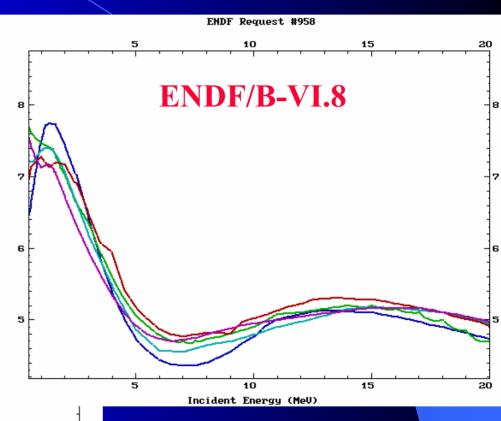


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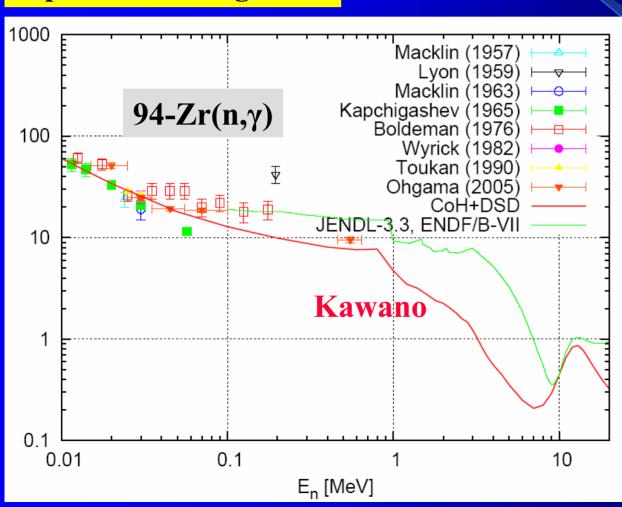






90-96Zr

Kawano: ENDF/B-VII capture is too high



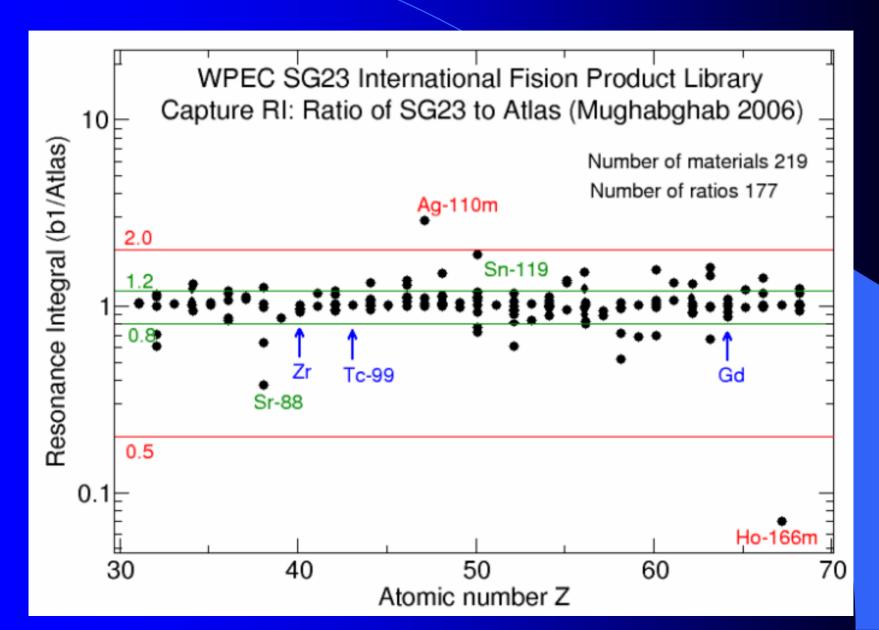
Lubitz: Capture RI is too high. 91-Zr should be adjusted.

Mughabhab: Needs stronger evidence from integral benchmarking in order to overwrite microscopic data.





FP library testing







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SG23 testing

- Trkov, IAEA: Comparison of capture with integral constants used for k₀ neutron prompt activation analysis
- Dunn, ORNL: Look into Rh-103 and few more
- Herman, NNDC: Compare thermal capture with Atlas
- Others?

Feedback from Petten and Cadarache

- Energy mismatch in mf2 for several materials (relict of merging 2 different evaluations)
- MT451 shows huge number of lines for 11 materials (STANEF needs bigger dimensions)