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# IAEA: International Initiatives and Collaboration in Nuclear Structure and Decay Data

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## International Collaborations and Initiatives in Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Sponsored by the IAEA

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- Technical Work
- Coordinated Research Projects (CRPs), Data
   Development Projects (DDP), Technical Meetings (TM) ...
- Collaboration within the International Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators (NSDD)
- Training
- Reference data libraries for nuclear applications -ENSDF (TM)

- ENSDF mass-chain evaluations
  - **D. Abriola** in collaboration with A. Sonzogni (NNDC) (2007, A=96; 2008, A=72)
- NSR compilations, M.A. Kellett (since September 2005)
  - a) Nuclear Physics A
  - b) European Physical Journal A
  - c) Physics Letters B
  - 2008: 465 papers referenced, 266 keyworded
  - (c.f. 869 and 494 in 2007; 479 and 348 in 2006)
- DDEP evaluations, A.L. Nichols (as part of CRP)
- JEFF Project, M.A. Kellett Radioactive Decay Data Library
   A.L. Nichols new decay data evaluations for fusion/activation

#### **Coordinated Research Projects (CRP)**

## CRP on Updated Decay Data Library for Actinides, 2005 – 2009

Final meeting, 8-10 October 2008, IAEA HQ, Vienna

Evaluations carried out using DDEP methodology (with review)

Includes usual decay parameters, conversion electron and X-ray data

Final database also to be made available in ENSDF and ENDF formats (Q4 2009)

Participant	Actinides (40)	Decay daughters (45)
MM. Bé (France)	<sup>243</sup> Am, <sup>234, 238</sup> U, <sup>252</sup> Cf	<sup>210</sup> TI, <sup>210, 214</sup> Pb, <sup>210, 214</sup> Bi, <sup>210, 214, 218</sup> Po, <sup>218</sup> At, <sup>218,222</sup> Rn, <sup>226</sup> Ra
V. P. Chechev (Russia)	<sup>233</sup> Th, <sup>233</sup> Pa, <sup>237, 239</sup> U, <sup>236, 236m, 237, 238, 239</sup> Np, <sup>238, 239, 240, 241, 242</sup> Pu, <sup>241</sup> Am, <sup>242,</sup> <sup>244</sup> Cm	<sup>227</sup> Ac
F. G. Kondev (USA)	<sup>243, 245, 246</sup> Cm	<sup>206</sup> Hg, <sup>206, 207, 209</sup> Tl, <sup>209, 211</sup> Pb
A. Luca (Romania)	<sup>234</sup> Th, <sup>236</sup> U	<sup>211</sup> Bi, <sup>211</sup> Po, <sup>228</sup> Ra
G. Mukherjee (India)	<sup>229</sup> Th, <sup>233</sup> U	
A. L. Nichols (IAEA)	<sup>228</sup> Th, <sup>242, 242m, 244, 244m</sup> Am	<sup>208</sup> TI, <sup>212</sup> Pb, <sup>212, 215</sup> Bi, <sup>212, 216</sup> Po, <sup>211, 219</sup> At, <sup>219,220</sup> Rn, <sup>224</sup> Ra
A. Pearce (UK)	<sup>232</sup> Th, <sup>231</sup> Pa, <sup>232</sup> U	<sup>228</sup> Ac, <sup>223</sup> Ra
Huang Xiaolong (China)	<sup>231</sup> Th, <sup>234, 234m</sup> Pa, <sup>235</sup> U	<sup>221, 223</sup> Fr, <sup>217</sup> At, <sup>217</sup> Rn, <sup>213</sup> Bi, <sup>213</sup> Po, <sup>225</sup> Ra, <sup>225</sup> Ac
Unallocated, Oct 2008		<sup>215</sup> Po, <sup>215</sup> At

## **Collaboration Activities:** International Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators (NSDD)\*

responsible for the evaluation and updating of nuclear structure data contained within the Evaluated Nuclear Structure Data File (ENSDF) - data also published in *Nuclear Data Sheets* 



Alan Nichols

NSDD meetings are held biennially, and are organized by the IAEA-NDS

- meetings in Hamilton, Canada, on 6-10 June 2005, and St. Petersburg, Russian Federation, on 11-15 June 2007.

Next NSDD meeting - Vienna, Austria, on 23-27 March 2009:

seeking improved input from Europe;

NDS assists in preparation of NSR compilations;

IAEA-NDS organisation and sponsorship of workshops at ICTP-Trieste

\* NSDD: 16 centres, coordinated by IAEA-NDS; NNDC/BNL custodian of ENSDF



**Training:** Nuclear Structure and Decay Data: Theory and Evaluation











## Most recent ICTP-IAEA workshop, April 2008:

Training of 32 participants was successfully achieved (25 selected + 7 ICTP affiliates) - nuclear theory and modelling, relevant experimental techniques, statistical analyses, and the philosophy and methodology for comprehensive mass chain evaluations

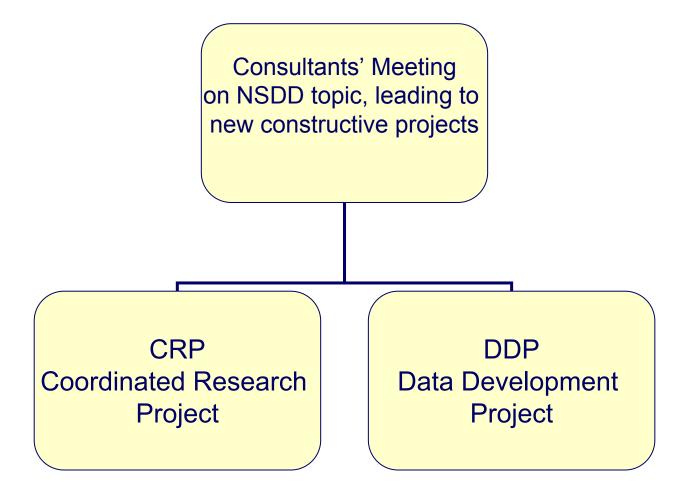
- further training of 4 participants already involved in mass-chain evaluations
- 9 potential candidates identified
- 2 participants to visit NNDC
- one participant recruited to postdoc position at NNDC

Success due to three outstanding directors (A.L. Nichols, J.K. Tuli and A. Ventura) + 10 conference lecturers, including some of the most experienced ENSDF evaluators in the world

## Next NSDD workshop: planned for April-May 2010



# Could IAEA Nuclear Data Section be of service in the organization of technical meetings to address NSDD topics?



#### Reference Data Libraries for Nuclear Applications - ENSDF

- 10 11 November 2008, IAEA, Vienna, Austria
- ~ 27 participants from 13 countries + 3 from IAEA
- (i) assess decline in European nuclear structure evaluations for ENSDF over previous 20 years
- (ii) identify European scientists and research institutes interested in taking part in nuclear structure evaluations
- (iii) discuss possible strategies to fund these activities in Europe

## REFERENCE DATA LIBRARIES FOR NUCLEAR APPLICATIONS – ENSDF (and Europe)

#### **European participants include:**

- Stefaan Pommé, EC DG Joint Research Centre, Belgium
- Dimiter Balabanski, University of Sofia, Bulgaria
- Heikki Penttilä, University of Jyvaskyla, Finland
- Sydney Gales, Directeur, GANIL, France
- Christoph Scheidenberger, GSI, Germany
- Janos Timár, ATOMKI, Inst. Nuclear Research, Hungary
- Adam Maj, Instytut Fizyki Jądrowej PAN, Poland
- Jerzy Jastrzebski, Warsaw Cyclotron, Inst. Nuclear Research, Poland
- Victor Zamfir, National Inst. Physics Nucl. Eng. (IFIN-HH), Romania
- Jose Maria Los Arcos, CIEMAT, Spain
- Melih Bostan, Istanbul University, Turkey
- Sefa Erturk, Nigde University, Turkey
- Nizam Erduran, Turkish Atomic Energy Authority, Turkey
- Jon Billowes, Dalton Nuclear Institute, United Kingdom
- Zsolt Podolyak, University of Surrey, United Kingdom

## Thank you

