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FISSION REACTORS

A LOGICAL SELECTION OF MEASURES FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE ON THE INTEGRITY OF LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTOR PRIMARY BOUNDARIES

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STOCHASTIC ESTIMATION APPROACH FOR THE EVALU-ATION OF THERMAL-HYDRAULIC PARAMETERS IN PRES-SURIZED WATER REACTORS

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RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY ANALYSIS OF THE HOT FUEL EXAMINATION FACILITY/SOUTH

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FUEL CYCLES

A REVERSE DEPLETION METHOD FOR PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR CORE RELOAD DESIGN

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PROSPECTS FOR THE RECOVERY OF URANIUM FROM SEAWATER

Frederick R. Best (top) [BS, mechanical engineering, Manhattan College, New York, 1968; MS, nuclear engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), 1969; PhD, nuclear engineering, MIT, 1980) has been an assistant professor of nuclear engineering, Texas A&M University, from 1982 to the present, specializing in interphase transport phenomena experiments and modeling. Current projects include work on critical heat flux, strategic element recovery from seawater, heat pipes, and microgravity two-phase flow. **Michael J. Driscoll** (ScD, nuclear engineering, MIT, 1966) teaches and directs research on the nuclear fuel cycle and fuel management at MIT. His experience in the nuclear field began with the Naval Reactors Program in 1957.

Frederick R. Best Michael J. Driscoll





CHEMICAL PROCESSING

LOW-TEMPERATURE CONVERSION OF URANIUM OXIDES TO URANIUM HEXAFLUORIDE USING DIOXYGEN DIFLUORIDE

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NUCLEAR FUELS

A MODEL FOR THE RELEASE OF RADIOACTIVE KRYPTON, XENON, AND IODINE FROM DEFECTIVE UO_2 FUEL ELEMENTS

Brent J. Lewis (right) (BSc, physics, 1978; MEng, nuclear engineering, 1980; and PhD, nuclear engineering, 1984, University of Toronto) joined Atomic Energy of Canada Limited in 1980 to work on the fuel defect program at Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories (CRNL). Experimental results from this program led to the development of a fission product release model for his

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doctoral thesis. His current interests are in fuel performance modeling during both normal and high-temperature accident conditions. **Colin R. Phillips** (top) (BE and PhD, chemical and metallurgical engineering, University of Adelaide) is a professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry, University of Toronto, where he has been since 1969. His work includes study of the role of fluid mechanics and reaction kinetics in various transport phenomena-based processes, especially with respect to heavy oil conversion and the properties and behavior of uranium/radium in ores and tailings and of radon decay products in the atmosphere. **M. J. F. Notley** (bottom) (metallurgical engineering, Cambridge University, England, 1954) worked on nuclear fuel performance and was head of the Fuel Engineering Branch at CRNL from 1979 to 1985.

SOL-GEL MICROSPHERE PELLETIZATION PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF HIGH-DENSITY ThO_2-2% UO_2 FUEL FOR ADVANCED PRESSURIZED HEAVY WATER REACTORS

Chaitanyamoy Ganguly (top right) (BE, 1968, and PhD, 1980, metallurgical engineering, University of Calcutta, India) is head of the Advanced Fuels Section, Radiometallurgy Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay, now on Humboldt Fellowship at the Nuclear Research Center, Jülich (KFA). He has developed the mixed uranium plutonium carbide fuel for the fast breeder test reactor and is now working on thorium-based fuel for advanced pressurized heavy water reactors. Hans Langen (top left), a technician in mechanical engineering, was involved in setting up the sol-gel plant at the Institute for Chemical Technology (ICT), KFA. He is presently responsible for operation and maintenance of this plant. Erich Zimmer (bottom right) [Dr. rer. nat., chemistry, University of Mainz, Federal Republic of Germany (FRG), 1965] is a section head of ICT. He is involved in reprocessing and waste treatment and has developed sol-gel processes for high-temperature reactor fuel production. Erich R. Merz (bottom left) (Dr. rer. nat., nuclear chemistry, University of Mainz, FRG, 1957; professor, Nuclear Technology Rheinisch-Wastfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen, 1970) has been director of the ICT of KFA since 1968. He is a member of the German Reactor Safety Commission. His work has been in the area of the end of the nuclear fuel cycle, including radioactive waste disposal.



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RESIDUAL DEPTH PROFILE IN THE EVALUATION OF GRAN-ULAR ADSORBENTS

Victor R. Deitz (PhD, physical chemistry, The Johns Hopkins University, 1932) has been involved with adsorption and the commercial solid adsorbents, first at the National Bureau of Standards (1939 to 1963) and then at the Naval Research Laboratory (1963 to the present). His current specialty is with gas adsorbent charcoals for the removal of radioactive iodine and also for the retention of toxic gases. Victor R. Deitz



DEFORMATION AND FRACTURE CHARACTERISTICS FOR IRRADIATED INCONEL X-750

W. J. Mills (top) (BS, 1971; MS, 1973; and PhD, 1975, metallurgical engineering, Lehigh University) is a fellow engineer in the Materials Technology Section at Westinghouse Hanford Company where he characterizes the fracture mechanics behavior of nuclear reactor structural materials. His technical interests include the study of metallurgical variables and environment and neutron irradiation on the fatigue and fracture responses for ferritic steels, austenitic stainless steels, and nickel-base superalloys. Bernard Mastel (BS, analytical chemistry, Northern State College, Aberdeen, South Dakota, 1949) is a research scientist at the Westinghouse Hanford Company. He has studied microstructural changes in high-purity metals, reactor structural materials, and nuclear fuels after neutron irradiation with the transmission electron microscope. Similar techniques are currently being applied to the evaluation of repository systems for nuclear waste disposal.

DECONTAMINATION OF URANIUM-CONTAMINATED MILD STEEL BY MELT REFINING

Tatsuhiko Uda (top) (BS, pharmacological chemistry, 1970, and MS, agricultural technology, 1972, Kyoto University, Japan) is with the Energy Research Laboratory (ERL), Hitachi, Ltd., working on the study of nuclear fuel handling and radiation measurement, in particular radiation dosimetry for alpha contaminant. Hajime Iba (center) (MS, applied chemistry, Tohoku University, Japan, 1966) works at ERL on the study of nuclear fuel handling and fuel reprocessing technology. Hiroyuki Tsuchiya (bottom) (MS, nuclear engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan, 1972) worked on the development of radwaste treatment systems at ERL. He is currently in nuclear equipment design at Hitachi Works, Hitachi, Ltd. W. J. Mills Bernard Mastel





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ANALYSIS OF ENRICHMENT FACTOR OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT BY REDOX CHROMATOGRAPHY

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UERL. His interest includes basic phenomena of separation processes and preparation of organic and inorganic adsorbents. Hatsuki Onitsuka (right) (BS, 1970, and MS, 1972, analytical chemistry, Tokyo University) is a senior chemist in process development at UERL. His main interest is in separation technology and dispersion and mass transfer phenomena. Toshinori Watanabe (left) (BS, 1976, and MS, 1979, nuclear engineering, Nagoya University) is an engineer in process development at UERL. He is mainly interested in process control by computer and fluid dynamics.

