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THE BACKFILL AS AN ENGINEERED BARRIER FOR RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

BACKFILL PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS-ESTIMATES FROM TRANSPORT MODELS

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CHEMICAL ASPECTS GOVERNING THE CHOICE OF BACK-FILL MATERIALS FOR NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORIES

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BASALT AS A POTENTIAL WASTE PACKAGE BACK-FILL COMPONENT IN A REPOSITORY LOCATED WITHIN THE COLUMBIA RIVER BASALT

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GEOCHEMISTRY OF THE DAKOTA FORMATION OF NORTHWESTERN NEW MEXICO: RELEVANCE TO RADIO-ACTIVE WASTE STUDIES

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MEASUREMENT OF RADIONUCLIDE DIFFUSION IN OCEAN FLOOR SEDIMENT AND CLAY

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LIGHT WATER REACTOR CORE AND STRUCTURAL MATERIALS

SIGNIFICANCE OF SELECTED RESIDUAL ELEMENTS TO THE RADIATION SENSITIVITY OF A302-B STEELS

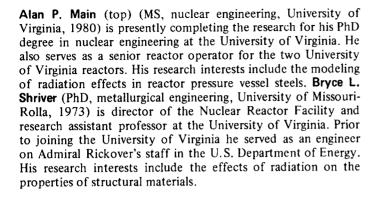
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J. Russell Hawthorne



ANALYTIC PREDICTIONS OF THE ANNEALING RE-SPONSE OF A533-B REACTOR VESSEL STEEL WELDS

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RADIATION ANNEALING MECHANISMS OF LOW-ALLOY REACTOR PRESSURE VESSEL STEELS DEPENDENT ON IRRADIATION TEMPERATURE AND NEUTRON FLUENCE

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DEVELOPMENT OF HAFNIUM AND COMPARISON WITH OTHER PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR CONTROL ROD **MATERIALS**

Herbert W. Keller John M. Shallenberger David A. Hollein A. Carl Hott

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FISSION REACTORS

RESULTS FROM AN INTERNATIONAL INTERCOMPARISON OF FUNDAMENTAL MODE BENCHMARK CALCULATIONS FOR STEAM INGRESS INTO GAS-COOLED FAST REACTOR CORES

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Edgar Kiefhaber



RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

GAS FORMATION DURING THE GAMMA RADIOLYSIS OF CEMENTED LOW- AND INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL WASTE PRODUCTS

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MATERIALS

A MECHANISM OF RADIOACTIVE CORROSION PRODUCT BUILDUP ON THE STAINLESS STEEL SURFACE USED IN THE PRIMARY COOLING SYSTEMS OF BOILING WATER REACTORS

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HEAT TRANSFER AND FLUID FLOW

TURBULENT FLOW IN ROD BUNDLES WITH GEOMET-**RICAL DISTURBANCES**

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TECHNIQUES

LOW-BACKGROUND HIGH-EFFICIENCY DETECTOR FOR THE STUDY OF THE (n,α) REACTION AT PULSED NEU-TRON SOURCE

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EDUCATION

EDUCATIONAL LABORATORY EXPERIMENTS ON CHEMISTRY IN A NUCLEAR ENGINEERING SCHOOL

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