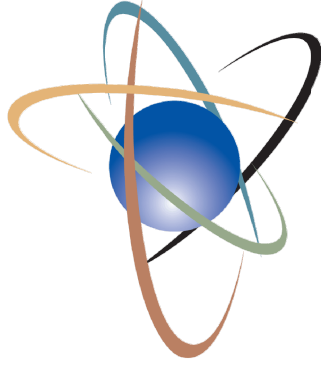




Neutron Absorber Material Degradation

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Opening Remarks

- Questions regarding monitoring of neutron absorber materials
 - Surveillance approach
 - Extent of degradation
 - Predictive and measuring tools (RACKLIFE/BADGER)
- Current safety margins
 - 5% subcriticality margin in TS
 - Conservatism in the nuclear criticality safety analyses