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In Japan, research and development of the experimental multi-purpose VHTR (Very High Temperature gas-cooled Reactor) have been carried out with aiming at application of the reactor to process heat. The experimental reactor employs the LEU fuel cycle because the cycle is compatible with the LWR-FBR line calling for Pu recycle in Japan.

The present paper begins with a brief review of the status of research and development of the experimental VHTR. On the basis of the experience gained from these works and the above philosophy of fuel cycle, core models are constructed for commercial high temperature gas-cooled reactors with thermal output of 3000 MW, and the material balances of the reactor and the fuel cycle system are studied.

Two core models are assumed for comparison; one is a VHTR with an outlet temperature of 1000 °C for process heat application and the other a steam cycle high temperature gas-cooled reactor (HTGR) with an outlet temperature of 750 °C. Material balances are estimated for each model, which are uranium requirements during the life of 30 years, separative work, plutonium productions, generations of fission products (including  $^3\text{H}$  and  $^{14}\text{C}$ ). The results are compared with each other and with LWR data. The comparison indicates that the savings of separative work and uranium requirements are larger in VHTR than in HTGR and that uranium requirements and plutonium productions per unit electric output are smaller in these HTR's than in LWR's.

On the principle that the uranium and plutonium recovered from the spent fuels of the HTR's should be recycled to LWR's or FBR's, the integrated system of the fuel cycle consisting of fabrication of fuels, reprocessing and waste management are studied. Material flows of uranium, plutonium, fission products and radioactive waste are then estimated following the flowsheet of the system. In addition, the

status and R & D requirements of each process are surveyed and some processes are also assessed from the viewpoints of proliferation resistance and environmental impact. Especially the head-end step of HTR fuel reprocessing is assessed in more detail and covers a possible way of reducing carbon wastes.

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## 高温ガス炉における低濃縮ウラン燃料サイクルの利用

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日本では高温ガス炉のプロセスヒートへの適用性に着目し、多目的高温ガス実験炉の研究開発を進めてきた。この多目的高温ガス実験炉では低濃縮ウラン燃料サイクルを採用している。これはプルトニウム・リサイクルを前提とする日本の軽水炉—高速増殖炉路線との整合性を重視したからである。

本論文では、はじめに多目的高温ガス実験炉の研究開発の現状について紹介した。ついで、多目的高温ガス実験炉で採られた上述の基本的考え方を踏襲しかつ従来の研究成果を基礎として、熱出力 3,000 MW の商用高温ガス炉を設計し、燃料物質収支の特性および燃料サイクルシステムについて考察した。

その炉心については、比較のため2種類のモデルを設定した。一方は冷却材炉出口温度 750 °C の発電用高温ガス炉 (HTGR) であり、他方は出口温度 1000 °C のプロセスヒート用高温ガス炉 (VHTR) である。各炉心モデルにおける物質収支—30年の寿命期間中のウラン必要量、濃縮分離作業量、プルトニウム生成量、核分裂生成物 ( $^3\text{H}$ 、 $^{14}\text{C}$  も含む) 生成量—を計算し、VHTR と HTGR の相互比較および軽水炉との対照を行った。その結果 VHTR の方が HTGR よりもウラン資源の節約、濃縮分離作業量の低減化に優れていること、また単位発電量当りのウラン所要量およびプルトニウムの生成量では高温ガス炉 (VHTR および HTGR) の方が軽水炉より著しく小さいことが明らかとなった。

高温ガス炉の使用済燃料から回収されるウランとプルトニウムは軽水炉または高速増殖炉で再利用されるべきであるという基本方針の下に、燃料の製造、再処理、廃棄物処理処分を包含する核燃料サイクルのトータルシステムを構築した。このシステムのフローシートに基いて、ウラン、プルトニウム、核分裂生成物、放射性廃棄物などの物質の移動量を評価した。さらに、各プロセスにおける技術の現状と問題点及び R & D 項目について核拡散防止性、安全性などの見地からも検討した。特に高温ガス炉燃料特有の再処理のヘッドエンドプロセスについてはより詳しく検討し、炭素廃棄物を低減化する方策にも言及した。

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Table 2-1 Design Conditions of the Experimental Multi-purpose VHTR

	Main items	Basic design conditions
1	Reactor thermal output (nominal)	500 MW
2	Reactor outlet coolant temperature	1,000°C
3	Reactor inlet coolant temperature	400°C
4	Fuel	UO <sub>2</sub> kernel, coated fuel particle, graphite matrix, dispersion-type
5	Fuel element type	Pin-in-block type
6	Direction of coolant flow	Downward-flow through the core
7	Pressure vessel	Steel
8	Number of primary coolant circuits	2
9	Heat transmission	Indirect (Adoption of IHX)
10	Primary coolant pressure	40 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> G
11	Secondary coolant pressure	Higher than that of the primary coolant
12	Components in the secondary circuit	Heat removal components Heat utilizing components
13	Containment	Reactor and primary cooling system are adopted in the containment building.

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- Low enriched uranium oxide is used for the fuel and the particle is TRISO coating with 600  $\mu\text{m}$  kernel diameter.
- A fuel element is a prismatic fuel of pin-in-block type.
- Coolant is controlled by each flow control assembly which is located at the inlet to a seven-fuel-column region; it flows downward in the core.
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Table 3-1 Main Parameters of Low-enriched Uranium Core

Items	Designs	Designs	
		VHTR	HTGR
<u>1. General parameters</u>			
Thermal output	(MW)	3,000	3,000
Electric power generation	(MW)		(1,200)
Reactor outlet coolant temp.	(°C)	1,000	750
Reactor inlet coolant temp.	(°C)	400	400
Coolant pressure	(kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	40	40
<u>2. Core</u>			
Equivalent core diameter	(m)	10.3	8.4
Core height	(m)	6	6
Number of fuel elements in a fuel column		7	7
Power density	(MW/m <sup>3</sup> )	6	9
Specific power	(MW/T)	81.8	122.6
<u>3. Fuel element</u>			
Type of fuel element		hex-block hollow pin	hex-block hollow pin
Width across flats	(mm)	410	410
Height	(mm)	860	860
Fuel pin inner diameter	(mm)	20	20
Fuel pin outer diameter	(mm)	42	42
Pin hole diameter	(mm)	50	50
<u>4. Fuel parameters</u>			
Fuel inventory	(T <sub>HM</sub> )**	36.7	24.5
Enrichment	(w/o)	6.0	6.5
Fuel burnup	(MWD/T)	62800	62300
Conversion ratio(BOL*/Average)		0.38/0.55	0.36/0.52
Residence time	(Y)	3	2
Plant factor	(%)	70	70
Plant life	(Y)	30	30

\* Beginning of Life

\*\* Ton of heavy metals

seven-fuel-column region and these drive mechanisms are in the reactor penetrations above the core.

- (2) The maximum fuel temperature is 1,400 °C in normal operation and a monolithic fuel pin is usable.
- (3) As target, the fuel burnup per unit enrichment and the natural uranium requirements of VHTR and HTGR are non inferior to those of LWR.

### 3.2 Considerations in choosing main parameters

#### (1) Reactor coolant temperature

In the VHTR system, the helium coolant temperature at reactor outlet is an important parameter, which is closely related to nuclear process heat application. The outlet temperature of 1,000 °C is recommended to meet the requirement of iron making process using an intermediate heat exchanger loop. In the HTGR system, a survey of the past design studies shows the outlet temperature to be in the range of 760~790 °C. The outlet temperature of 750 °C is adopted to clarify the difference between HTGR and VHTR cores.

The increase of the inlet temperature brings about high flow rate and improves the heat transfer performance in the core. At the same time, the pressure loss in the loop decreases the plant efficiency and there also is a certain limit to the circulator. The inlet temperature should be considered comprehensively as above, but the temperature of 400 °C is chosen as in the experimental VHTR.

#### (2) Fuel element type and power density

Many types of hexagonal block are possible for prismatic fuel. The pin-in-block type fuel can be used for the commercial reactors, as shown in Fig.3-1.

As a result of the surveys using an exponential axial power distribution to lower fuel temperature, the hollow pin type fuel has attained a core average power density of about 6 MW/m<sup>3</sup> and the annular (tubular) pin type fuel about 8 MW/m<sup>3</sup> in the VHTR system. In addition, to attain fuel residence time of more than 3 years, the hollow pin with power density 6 MW/m<sup>3</sup> is chosen.

In the HTGR system, the fuel configuration is identical with the VHTR's and the power density is 9 MW/m<sup>3</sup>.

#### (3) Fuel charge and discharge

The atomic ratio of carbon to uranium, N<sub>c</sub>/N<sub>u</sub>, in the cores is

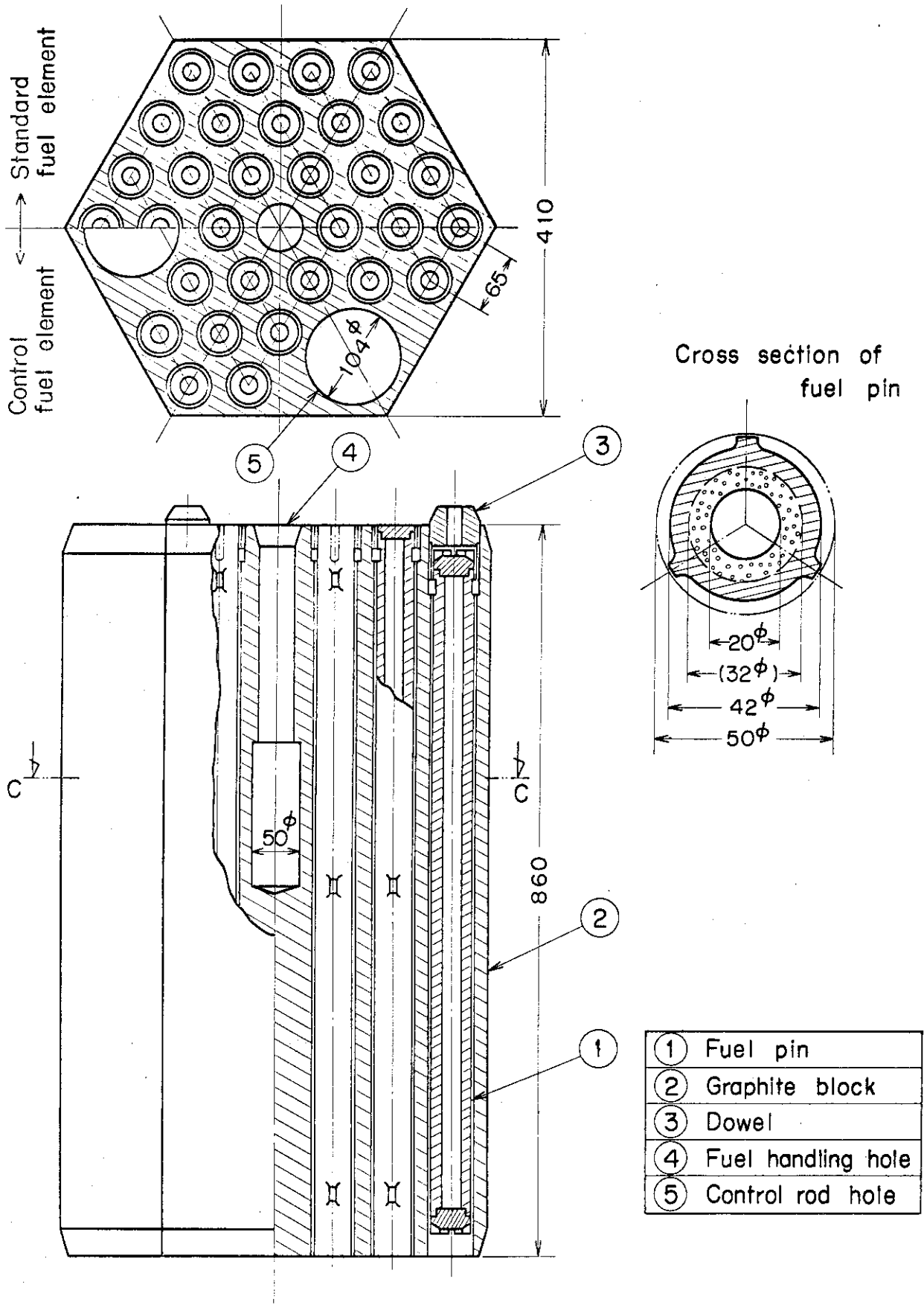


Fig. 3-1 Fuel Element Concept for Commercial VHTR and HTGR

selected to be about 350 to attain similar fuel burnup and natural uranium requirement to those of LWR and also to have as long a fuel residence time as possible.

The fuel charge and discharge program is determined from considerations of age peaking factor and fuel charge rate.

#### (4) Reactivity control

Reactivity control of LEU-HTR is not so easy because of the necessity of high initial excess reactivity owing to low conversion ratio.

The reactivity for fuel burnup, therefore, is suppressed mainly by burnable poison rods encaged in the fuel elements and control rods are used principally to regulate the reactivity variation due to temperature rise and Xe & Sm buildup.

### 3.3 Calculation of material balance

Calculations were made to evaluate the material balance of HTR's using the fresh low enriched uranium fuel.

Characteristics of the VHTR and the HTGR described previously are shown in Table 3-2. Features in material balance of these reactors are:

- Similar fuel burnup and conversion ratio.
- Larger fuel core inventory in VHTR (about 50 %) but similar fuel charge rate.
- Lower cumulative requirement of natural uranium in VHTR (about 10 %).
- Lower cumulative requirement of separative works in VHTR (about 10 %).
- Similar fissile plutonium production.
- Lower radioactivity in the spent fuels from VHTR (about 30 %).

As compared with LWR's characteristics of LEU-HTR's are:

- Smaller cumulative fuel loading (about half).
- Similar cumulative requirement of natural uranium per reactor but lower requirement per unit electric output (more than about 10 %).
- Higher cumulative requirement of separative works per reactor (about 30~45 %) but similar requirement per unit electric output.
- Smaller cumulative production of fissile plutonium (about 40 %).
- Higher radioactivity of spent fuels per metal ton (about 2~3 times).



From material balance studies, it is concluded that lower power density (decrease of neutron flux level and increase of fuel residence time) is advantageous in design of LEU-HTR.

Table 3-2 Specification of Fuel Material Balance in LEU-HTR

Items	Designs	VHTR	HTGR
Fuel loading	( $T_{HM}$ )		
Initial core		36.7	24.5
Annual reload		12.2	12.2
Fuel discharge (annual)	( $T_{HM}$ )		
Uranium		11.2	11.2
(fissile nuclide content, w/o)		(1.4)	(1.6)
Plutonium		0.157	0.162
(fissile nuclide content, w/o)		(60)	(65)
Natural uranium requirement*( $T_{HM}$ )			
Initial core		454	330
Annual reload		151	165
30-Year cumulation		4682	5115
Separative work requirement* ( $T-SWU$ )			
Initial core		367	271
Annual reload		122	136
30-Year cumulation		3783	4215
Radioactivity in annually discharged fuels	( $Ci/T_{HM}$ )	(Actinides) / (FP)	(Actinides) / (FP)
Cooling time	0    Y	$1.0 \times 10^8 / 4.2 \times 10^8$	$1.5 \times 10^8 / 6.2 \times 10^8$
	0.5   Y	$3.8 \times 10^5 / 9.8 \times 10^6$	$3.4 \times 10^5 / 1.3 \times 10^7$
	1    Y	$3.4 \times 10^5 / 5.4 \times 10^6$	$3.1 \times 10^5 / 6.5 \times 10^6$
	5    Y	$2.6 \times 10^5 / 1.0 \times 10^6$	$2.4 \times 10^5 / 1.1 \times 10^6$
	10   Y	$2.1 \times 10^5 / 6.8 \times 10^5$	$1.9 \times 10^5 / 7.0 \times 10^5$

\* Tail enrichment --- 0.25 %

#### 4. Characteristics of the HTR fuel cycle

The fuel elements of HTR's are simple in material but complex in structure. This gives rise to variety of options at the back-ends. A typical flow chart of the fuel cycle for the LEU-HTR's is shown in Fig.4-1. The basic idea is that the plutonium and uranium recovered from spent fuels of the HTR's are recycled to LWR or FBR's.

Three sections below are for fabrication, reprocessing and waste management of the fuel cycle, respectively; features of process, options (if any), proliferation resistance, safety, research and development work requirements are described. Emphasis is placed on characteristics of the HTR fuel cycle, because many back-end technologies are common to LWR's. In addition, the material balances are estimated for the VHTR, unless otherwise stated, since there is little difference in annual charge and discharge of fuels between the VHTR and the HTGR. Another section is for compositions of the spent fuels.

The integrated system of the fuel cycle is schematically shown in Fig.4-2 with the material balances estimated.

##### 4.1 Fabrication

###### (1) Mass flow

A mass flow of the fabrication process is shown schematically in Fig.4-3; an initial charge and an annual make-up of the coated particle fuel with low enriched uranium for the VHTR and HTGR are described. No essential difference is seen in the annual amount of the make-up fuel between both the reactors.

###### (2) Technological feasibility

(i) Fuel kernel: The  $\text{UO}_2$  kernel with 600  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter can be produced by conventional techniques such as sol-gel process and powder agglomeration. Improvement of the kernel is necessary, however, to suppress fission product release and amoeba effect.

(ii) Coated particle: The kernel is coated with pyrolytic carbon and silicon carbide to complete the TRISO particle. The fuel particles will be used at a nominal maximum temperature of 1400  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , which is appreciably higher than the temperature 1250  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for power generation HTGR. The rise in temperature requires further irradiation tests to assess performance of the particles. In the TRISO coating, the use

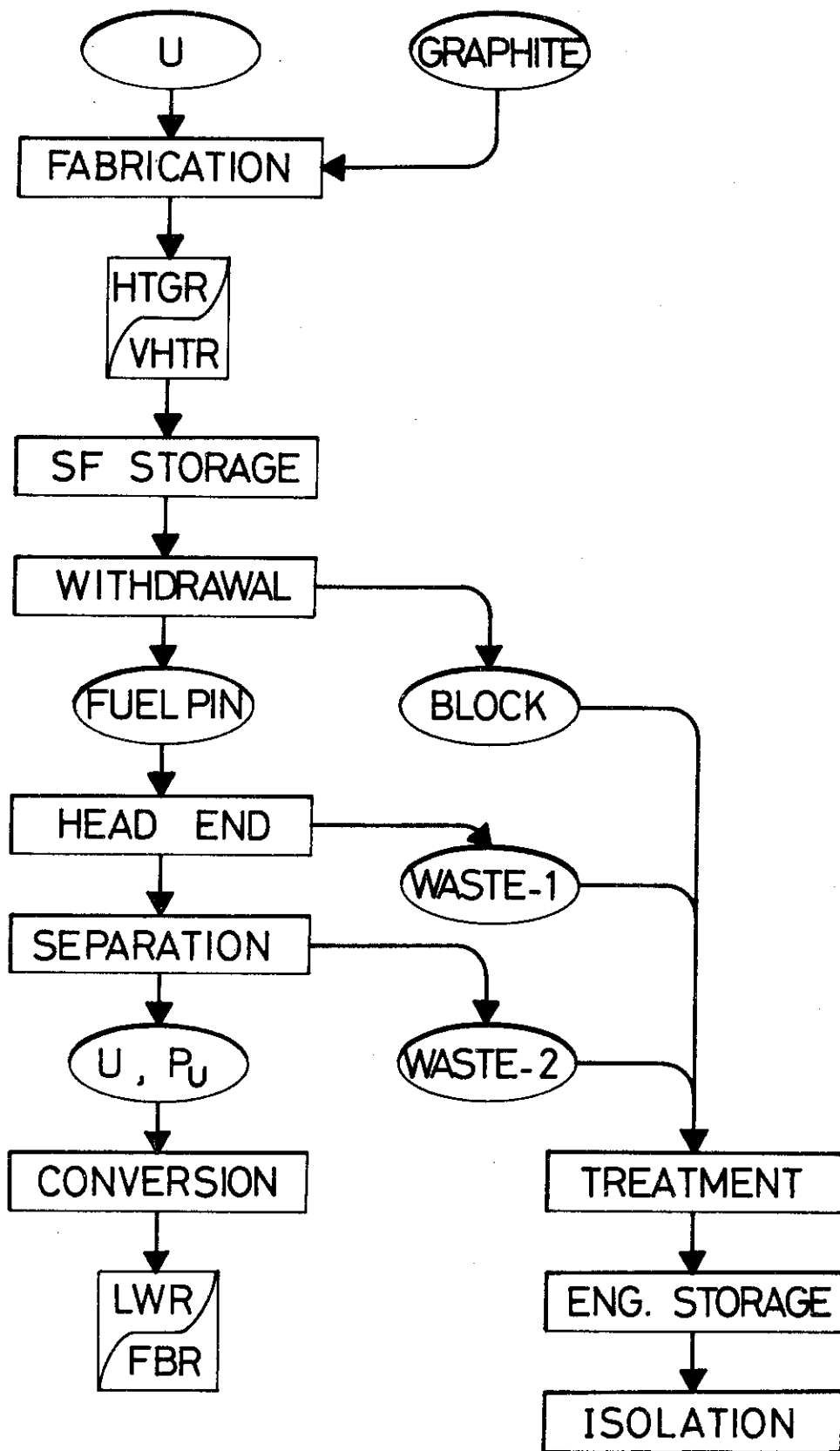


Fig. 4-1 Typical Flow Chart of LEU-HTR Fuel Cycle

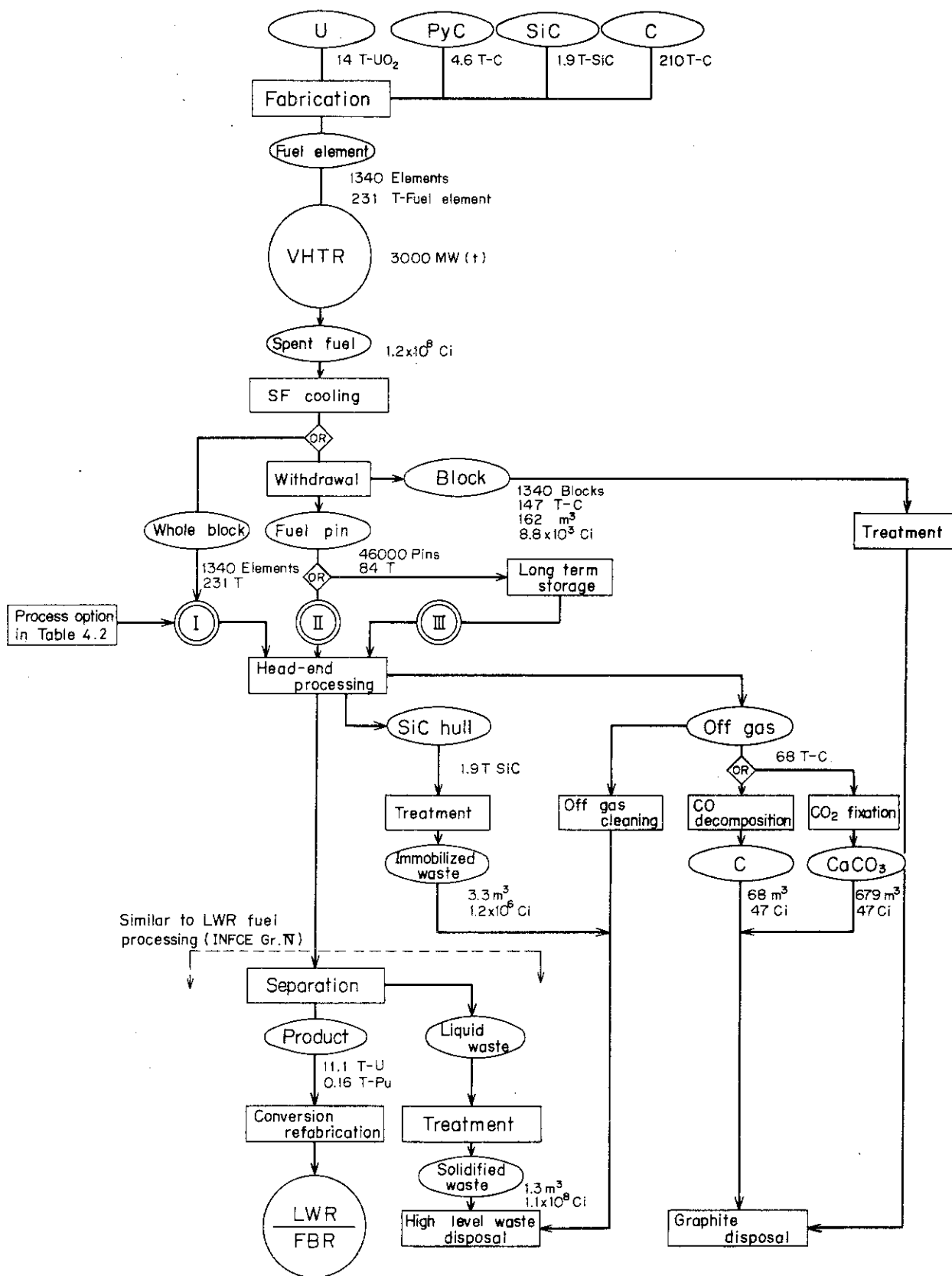


Fig. 4-2 Fuel Cycle Flowsheet and Material Balance for 3000 MW(t) VHTR

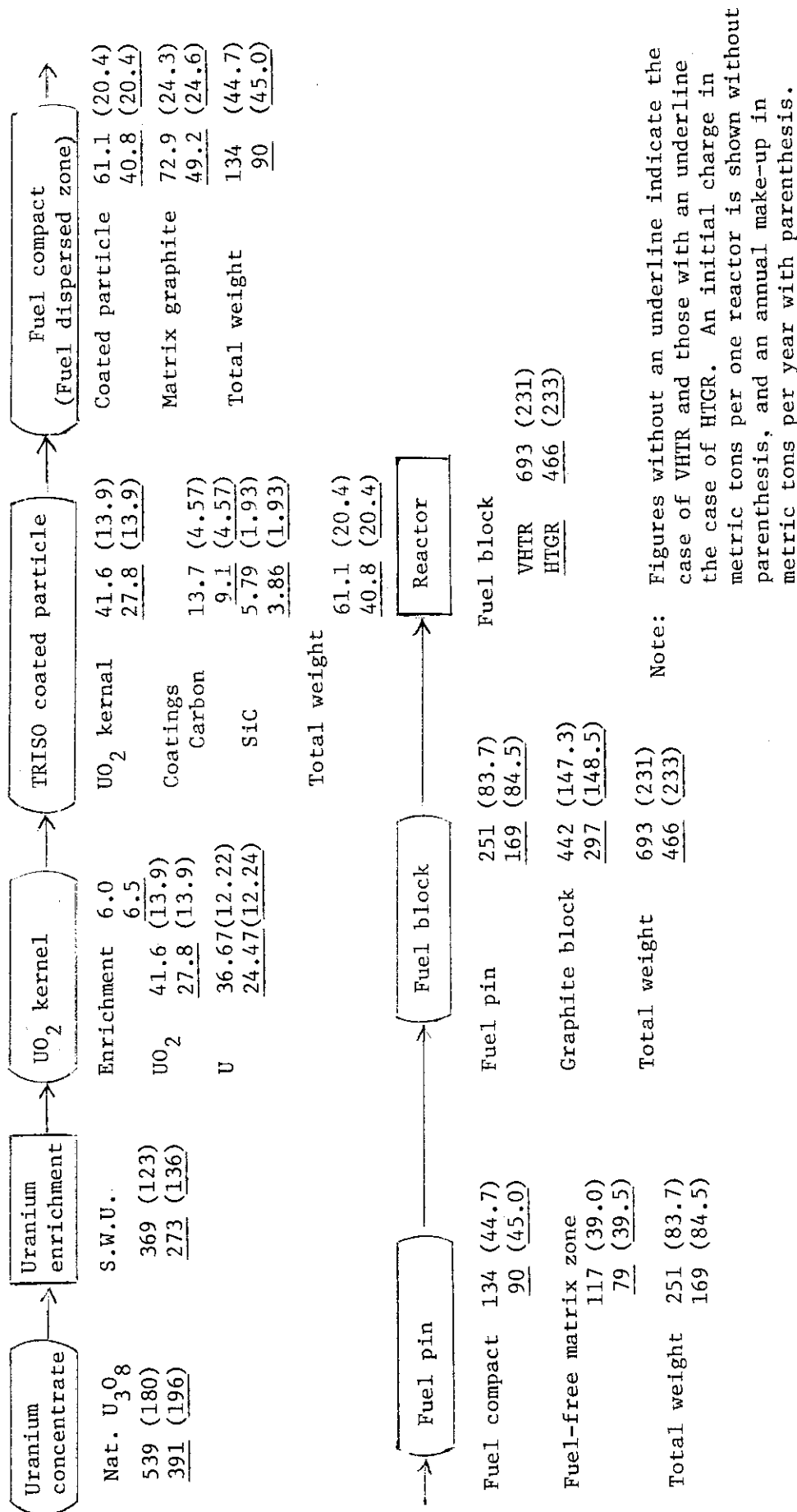


Fig. 4-3 Mass Flow of Fabrication Process for 3,000 Mwt VHTR and HTGR

of zirconium carbide in place of the silicon carbide may improve thermal stability of the coating. However, an extensive work including irradiation is required to realize this improvement.

(iii) Fuel pin: A directly cooled monolithic fuel pin with no gap between the compact (fuel dispersed zone) and the graphite sleeve (fuel-free matrix) may be produced by isostatical rubber pressing or extrusion of the mixture of particle, graphite powder and binder, either followed by carbonization, degassing and mechanical finish. Fabrication experiences of this type of fuel pins are none yet. Also required are further studies on the corrosion resistance and the irradiation stability.

(iv) Fuel block: The fuel pins are inserted into a prismatic graphite block to complete the fuel block. Much study is required to choose graphite material which endures the high temperature in the reactor; an isostatically pressed isotropic graphite commercially available in Japan is one of the materials being investigated. The establishment of NDT techniques for testing internal imperfections and cracks of the graphite material is required to ensure the internal integrity.

#### 4.2 The characteristics of HTR spent fuels

The HTR's which make use of the fuel element of graphite both as structural material and moderator, release a substantial amount of graphite waste (See Table 4-1). As to the composition of the spent fuels, the HTGR and VHTR do not make a great difference. The concentrations of transuranium and fission products in the spent fuels are higher in the HTR's owing to the higher burnup than in LWR's while the total inventories per reactor are comparable to each other. On the other hand, the use of graphite leads to the production of a significant amount of  $^{14}\text{C}$ . This is an outstanding feature of the fuel cycle.

In selecting a process at the back-ends, it is essential to take into consideration the distribution of radionuclides in the fuel elements as well as their total amounts. The distribution is mainly caused by failure of coated particles and has a decisive effect on the process choice.

Table 4-1 Annual Discharge and Compositions of Spent Fuels

Designs		VHTR	HTGR
Items			
Reactor performance			
Thermal output	(MW)	3,000	3,000
Fuel burnup	(MWD/T)	62,800	62,300
Fuel residence time	(Y)	3	2
Annual discharge			
Fuel pin	(m <sup>3</sup> /Y)	42.4 (84)*	42.5 (85)*
Block	(m <sup>3</sup> /Y)	84.2 (147)	84.8 (149)
Total	(m <sup>3</sup> /Y)	126.6 (231)	127.3 (234)
Heavy metal	(T/Y)	11.38	11.39
Composition of HM**			
U	(kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	984	984
Pu	(kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	14.8	15.0
Am - 241	(kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	0.164	0.123
Cm - 242	(kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	0.0145	0.0097
Composition of radionuclide**			
H-3 (fission)	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$9.7 \times 10^2$	$9.7 \times 10^2$
H-3 (from Li)	(Ci/T <sub>Gr.</sub> )	$2.4 \times 10^1$	$2.5 \times 10^1$
C-14	(Ci/T <sub>Gr.</sub> )	$5.6 \times 10^{-1}$	$5.3 \times 10^{-1}$
Kr-85	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$2.0 \times 10^4$	$2.1 \times 10^4$
I-129	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$7.5 \times 10^{-2}$	$7.4 \times 10^{-2}$
I-131	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$3.7 \times 10^{-1}$	$5.6 \times 10^{-1}$
Sr-90, Y-90	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$1.5 \times 10^5$	$1.6 \times 10^5$
Zr-95	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$6.1 \times 10^5$	$9.2 \times 10^5$
Nb-95	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$1.2 \times 10^6$	$1.8 \times 10^6$
Ru-103, Rh-103	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$1.4 \times 10^5$	$2.1 \times 10^5$
Ru-106, Rh-106	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$8.8 \times 10^5$	$9.8 \times 10^5$
Cs-137	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$2.2 \times 10^5$	$2.2 \times 10^5$
Total FP's	(Ci/T <sub>HM</sub> )	$9.8 \times 10^6$	$1.3 \times 10^7$

\* Annual discharge in terms of T/Y.

\*\* Cooling time 180 days.

### 4.3 Reprocessing

#### (1) Technology status and possible options

Because of the unique configuration of the graphite type fuel, the back-end of HTR-U fuel cycle requires different technology from LWR's; i.e. handling and processing of graphite in huge volume and coated particle fuel. For the LEU-HTR, the "Purex process" developed for U-Pu thermal reactors, is usable, once the fuel is dissolved after decladding. Therefore, technological problems are mainly in such as fuel storage, transportation and head-end of reprocessing.

The head-end processing, which presents most technically difficult problem, has been developed to a cold-pilot stage in U.S.A.<sup>1)</sup> and FRG,<sup>2)</sup> and the demonstration with hot pilot plants is now awaited. The procedure consists of mechanical crushing of the whole fuel block, burning the crushed powder with air to remove the graphite matrix as CO<sub>2</sub>, and breaking the SiC coated particle if necessary, followed by reburning the decladded fuel and its dissolution. Head-end off-gas, mostly CO<sub>2</sub>, is planned to be purified and finally solidified as CaCO<sub>3</sub> in control of the <sup>14</sup>C release.

In order to mitigate the burden in handling fuel element with large volume and generation of large amount of graphite waste, there are some processing alternatives. Possible options for VHTR "Pin-in-Block" type fuel are:

(i) Dismantling of the fuel block, followed by processing of the withdrawn fuel pins.

(ii) Dismantling of the fuel block and long-term storage, followed by delayed reprocessing.

In graphite removal from the fuel pins and off-gas fixation, other options are possible than burning-solidifying as CaCO<sub>3</sub>. Although such alternatives as physical<sup>3)</sup> and electrochemical disintegrating<sup>4)</sup> concepts without burning were proposed, their development efforts were discontinued before their technical feasibilities were fully confirmed, probably because of the process instabilities and the generation of highly contaminated graphite waste. A feasibility study is under way on another alternative process in Japan.<sup>10)</sup> Detailed description of the process is given below.

These processes are summarized in Table 4.2, showing their technical statuses and development needs. Their technical features of safety and proliferation resistance are also studied preliminarily.



Table 4-2 Major Options of Backend of HTR Fuel Cycle and their Characteristics

Option	Process description	Technology status	Preliminary evaluation of <sup>a)</sup>		Required R & D
			Proliferation resistance	Environmental and safety	
I	Burn whole block with air.	Cold pilot	+	— c)	- Simplification of crushing step.
	Effluent CO <sub>2</sub> is fixed as CaCO <sub>3</sub> .	test			- <sup>14</sup> C fixation technology.
II	Burn fuel pin alone with CO <sub>2</sub> after dismantling fuel block.	Laboratory			- Disassembling technology of fuel block.
	Formed CO is decomposed to carbon and CO <sub>2</sub> , which is recycled for burning.	scale research	+	— c)	- Reactor development for graphite gasification with CO <sub>2</sub> . - Confinement technology of decomposed carbon fines.
III	Dismantle fuel block to make long-term storage of fuel pin alone, which will be reprocessed later.	Conceptual	+	— c)	- Disassembling technology of fuel block.
		stage			- Safety evaluation on long-term storage of spent fuels.

a) Compared with the current reprocessing technology for LWR fuel. Mark "+" and "—" indicate positive and negative effect, respectively.

b) High inaccessibility due to large volume and difficult material modifiability due to the fuel configuration.

c) More generation of graphite waste with <sup>14</sup>C and process complexity in head-end.

Table A2-1 in Appendix shows preliminary evaluations on these characteristics including the results for other options.

(2) Head-end process proposed and the material balance

The head-end process studied in Japan was selected so as to minimize the environmental release of radioactive effluents, to reduce the radioactive waste volume and to reduce mechanical handling. A conceptual diagram of the process is shown in Fig.4-4. In this process, fuel pins mechanically separated from the graphite block are burned catalytically with CO<sub>2</sub> to give CO, which is then decomposed to CO<sub>2</sub> and solid carbon so that the volume of graphite waste containing <sup>14</sup>C is minimized. The CO<sub>2</sub> formed is recycled without its environmental release. Removal of SiC coating is made by pneumatic jet grinding. The remaining PyC-coated kernel is planned to be reburned for removing volatile nuclides such as <sup>3</sup>H, <sup>131</sup>I, <sup>129</sup>I and <sup>85</sup>Kr.

Based on the spent fuel composition of VHTR, a material balance in the process flowsheet was calculated preliminarily, showing the characteristics of environmental safety, waste generation and proliferation resistance in reprocessing of HTR fuel. The distribution of nuclides in the head-end step is assumed, referring to the data reported for LWR fuel<sup>5~7)</sup> or estimated for HTGR fuel.<sup>8,9)</sup> Table A2-2 summarizes these assumptions.

The material balances are summarized in Table 4-3. Compared with the LWR fuel processing, the HTR one features (A) generation of graphite waste, in large volume, of low or medium level, (B) load in off-gas cleaning step, because of the large volume of carbon, along with semi-volatiles and particulates and (C) generation of different types of solid waste like SiC hull and chemical reagents from off-gas traps, both highly contaminated with insolubles, particulates and semi-volatiles. There thus are the needs for development of waste treatment technology, radioactive powder handling and confinement. Material balances for extended cooling times of 10 and 50 years are shown Table A2-3 (A) and (B) for reference.

(3) Preliminary evaluation of HTR fuel reprocessing

(i) Environment and safety aspects

Heavy load in the off-gas cleaning step is inevitable as described above. However, sufficient decontamination can be achieved at reasonable cost if the techniques currently studied are completed. <sup>3</sup>H confinement will be easier in HTR, while control of semi-volatiles

will require further development. Volume reductions of the spent fuel and graphite waste for disposal, possible in the proposed fuel design and head-end process of Table 4-2, will improve the safety and environment aspects.

Although the risk of fire and explosion will increase in the above head-end operation, the cells and equipments for radioactivity confinement will provide safety barriers. Less powder handling and endothermic graphite removal reaction, which are characteristics of the proposed flowsheet, may be advantageous; while great care is necessary for CO control.

(ii) Proliferation resistance features

In Table 4-4, characteristics of HTR fuel in proliferation resistance are summarized for major head-end steps of reprocessing. HTR spent fuel elements possess high proliferation resistance because of the high gamma radiation in the course of access and of the voluminous fuel elements coupled with the complex fuel configuration. Since refined technology is needed for the head-end processing, it will be difficult to extract fissile materials from the spent fuels. Similar arguments also apply to dismantled fuel pins and even to coated particle fuel.

In the separation step, proliferation problems are similar to LWR fuel reprocessing.

(iii) Technical features in long term storage

Design concept of "Pin-in-Block" type fuel has such advantage as reducing the volume of spent fuels in long term storage-delayed reprocessing. Table 4-5 shows the effect of storage time on the amounts of fissile materials and the activities of major fission products.

After 50 years fissile Pu is reduced by 30 % due to the decay of  $^{241}\text{Pu}$  to  $^{241}\text{Am}$ . Such nuclides as Zr, Nb and Ru, which are troublesome in the solvent extraction, have decayed to negligible levels after ten years, though the gross activity of fission products is not reduced by more than a factor of 100. Radioactivities of off-gases are reduced by half after ten years, except  $^{14}\text{C}$  and  $^{129}\text{I}$ . Therefore, very simple process is usable in the separation step, though technical difficulties in the head-end step will be hardly mitigated. The decay of  $^{238}\text{Pu}$  and  $^{241}\text{Pu}$  will also reduce somewhat occupational dose in the refabrication.

This stowaway cycle must be evaluated in details, considering

Table 4-3 Material Balance of Head-end Process for Spent Fuel Annually Discharged from 3000 MW(t) VHTR after 0.5 Year Cooling.

Stream <sup>d)</sup> Composition	① Feed SF	② Dissolved solution	③ Dismantled graphite	④ Decomposed graphite	⑤ SiC hull	⑥ Waste from off gas cleaning	⑦ Release to environment
Actinide	11,400 4.29 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	11,343 4.27 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	a) a)	b) b) 47	45.6 1.71 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	11.4 4.29 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	1.14 × 10 <sup>-4</sup> 4.28 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Fission product	790 1.16 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	622 1.11 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	a) a)	b) b)	7.9 1.16 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	35 4.30 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	125 2.35 × 10 <sup>3</sup>
Graphite	215,170	0	147,300	67,870	—	0	0
Others	3,570 (SiC, O <sub>2</sub> )	—	—	—	1,930 (SiC)	— <sup>c)</sup>	1,640 (O <sub>2</sub> )
Total mass	230,930	11,965	147,300	67,870	1,984	46.4 <sup>c)</sup>	1,765
Total radio-activities	1.16 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.15 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	(3.7 × 10 <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>a)</sup>	47 <sup>b)</sup>	1.18 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	4.30 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.35 × 10 <sup>3</sup>
Major composition							
Actinide							
{ U total	11,220	11,164	—	b)	44.88	11.22	1.12 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
{ U fissile	157	156.2	—	b)	0.628	0.157	1.57 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>
{ Pu total	160	159.2	—	b)	0.64	0.16	1.6 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>
{ Pu fissile	95	94.53	—	b)	0.38	9.5 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.5 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>
{ Np total	9.41	9.40	—	b)	3.8 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.4 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	9.4 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
{ Am total	6.05	6.04	—	b)	2.4 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.1 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	6.1 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
{ Cm total	1.15	1.14	—	b)	4.6 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.2 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.2 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Volatile FP's							
{ H-3	1.67 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	1.31 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	3.59 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	4.67 × 10 <sup>1</sup>	—	1.3 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	(1.31 × 10 <sup>2</sup> )
{ C-14	1.30 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	—	8.26 × 10 <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	4.72 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
{ Kr-85	2.22 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	—	—	—	—	2.20 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	2.22 × 10 <sup>3</sup>
{ I-129	8.55 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>	—	—	—	—	8.55 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>	8.55 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
{ I-131	4.27 × 10 <sup>0</sup>	—	—	—	—	4.27 × 10 <sup>0</sup>	4.27 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Non-volatile FP's							
{ Sr-90, Y-90	3.42 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	3.38 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	—	b)	3.42 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	4.06 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	4.06 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
{ Zr-95	6.94 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	6.86 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	—	b)	6.94 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	(Semi volatiles)	(Semi volatiles)
{ Nb-95	1.35 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	1.34 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	—	b)	1.35 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	—	—
{ Ru-103, Rh-103	3.32 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.95 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	—	b)	3.32 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	7.12 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	7.12 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>
{ Ru-106, Rh-106	2.0 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	1.78 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	—	b)	2.0 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	(Particulates)	(Particulates)
{ Cs-137	2.48 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.21 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	—	b)	2.48 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	—	—

a) Activities due to impurities other than N<sub>2</sub> and Li are not included.  
 b) Calculated assuming that decomposed graphite is not contaminated with actinides and FP's.  
 c) Chemicals and corrosion products are not included.  
 d) Circled numbers correspond to streams shown in Fig. 4-4.

Table 4-4 Characteristics of Proliferation Resistance of HTR Fuel

Characteristics on proliferation resistance	Related parameter of component	Component unit in HTR head-end			
		Spent fuel	Dismantled fuel pin	Coated particle	Dissolved solution
Material accessibility	Number per kg-Pu fissile	14 Element	480 Pin	-----	-----
(for 0.5 year cooling)	Volume per kg-Pu fissile	1.5 m <sup>3</sup> b)	0.6 m <sup>3</sup> b)	78 $\mu$ c)	330 $\mu$
	Activity per component	87 $\times 10^3$ Ci/Element	2.5 $\times 10^3$ Ci/Pin	16 $\times 10^3$ Ci/l-cpf <sup>c)</sup>	3.7 $\times 10^3$ Ci/l-solution
Material convertibility	Technical difficulty to recover Pu <sup>a)</sup>	A	A	B	C

- a) A identifies material that requires a large facility of shielded cell with remote operation to obtain purified Pu.
- B identifies material that requires remotely operated engineering equipment in/out of shielded cell to obtain purified Pu.
- C identifies material that requires remotely operated laboratory scale equipment in/out of shielded cell to obtain purified Pu.
- b) Estimated without considering void fraction in packaging.
- c) Estimated assuming void fraction of 0.35.

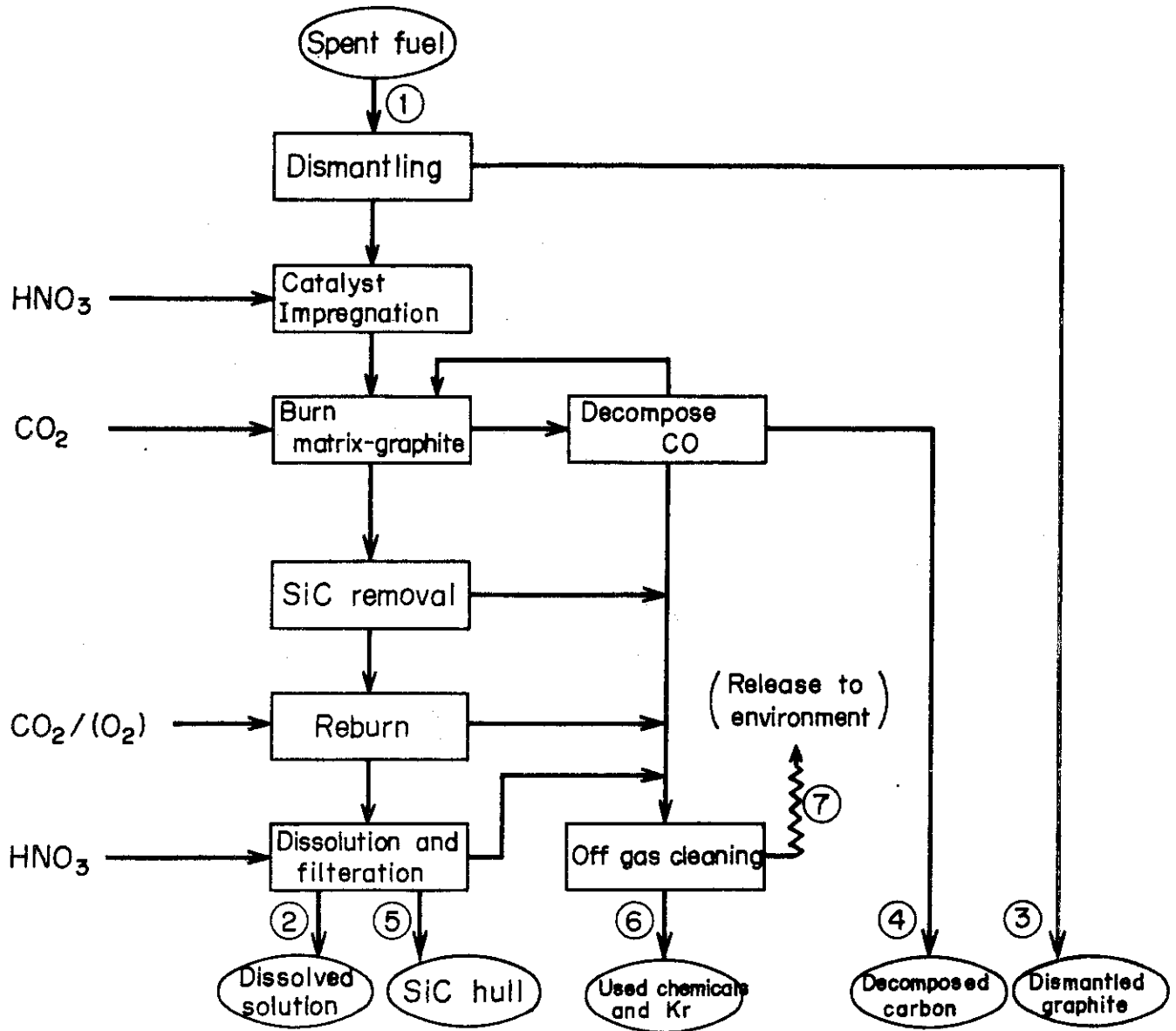


Fig. 4-4 Proposed Flowsheet for Head-end Processing of VHTR Spent Fuel (Option II)

Table 4-5 Fissile Amounts and Radioactivities as a Function of Cooling Time in the Spent Fuel Annually Discharged from 3000 MW(t) VHTR.

Composition and radioactivity in spent fuel	Cooling time		
	0.5 y	10 y	50 y
Total fissile U	157 kg	157 kg	157 kg
Total fissile Pu	95	83	66
Total radioactivities of FP's	$1.1 \times 10^8$ Ci	$7.8 \times 10^6$ Ci	$2.8 \times 10^6$ Ci
$^{90}\text{Sr}$ , $^{90}\text{Y}$	$3.4 \times 10^6$	$2.7 \times 10^6$	$1.1 \times 10^6$
$^{95}\text{Zr}$	$6.9 \times 10^6$	$7.8 \times 10^{-10}$	---
$^{95}\text{Nb}$	$1.4 \times 10^7$	$1.7 \times 10^{-9}$	---
$^{103}\text{Ru}$ , $^{103\text{m}}\text{Rh}$	$3.3 \times 10^6$	$1.9 \times 10^{-20}$	---
$^{106}\text{Ru}$ , $^{106}\text{Rh}$	$2.0 \times 10^7$	$2.9 \times 10^4$	$3.2 \times 10^{-8}$
$^{137}\text{Cs}$	$2.5 \times 10^6$	$2.0 \times 10^6$	$8.0 \times 10^5$

other factors like resource availability and waste disposal policy.

#### 4.4 Waste management

A major research subject in waste management of HTR is the treatment of graphite waste and silicon-carbide hull from spent fuels. The amounts and volumes of wastes are estimated below.

In the management of graphite waste, there are three possible options as follows:

Option I: Carbon dioxide generated by burning the graphite waste with oxygen is immobilized as calcium carbonate. Assuming that the weight percent of calcium carbonate in the solid concrete is 40 w% to obtain the compression strength exceeding  $150 \text{ kg/cm}^2$ , 1 ton of graphite waste finally becomes 21 tons and  $10 \text{ M}^3$  of the solid concrete with specific density 2.0. Hence the amount of solid waste from graphite blocks is estimated to be  $251 \text{ T/T}_{\text{HM}}$  and  $126 \text{ M}^3/\text{T}_{\text{HM}}$ .

For fuel pins, the amount of the solid concrete is estimated as  $116 \text{ T/T}_{\text{HM}}$  and  $56 \text{ M}^3/\text{T}_{\text{HM}}$ . The activity of the concrete is estimated as  $34 \text{ mCi/M}^3$  due to C-14.

Option II: The graphite in fuel pins is converted into carbon as shown in Sect.4.3-(2). The calculated amount of the recovered carbon is about  $6 \text{ T/T}_{\text{HM}}$  and its volume is about  $4 \text{ M}^3/\text{T}_{\text{HM}}$  with compressed bulk density 1.5. The radiation level of the carbon waste is estimated to be  $1.2 \text{ Ci/M}^3$  due to C-14.

Option III: After withdrawing of fuel pins, the residual graphite block with  $\beta, \gamma$ -emitters is enclosed in a canister by welding, though the graphite itself is chemically stable. The weight of the graphite is estimated to be  $12 \text{ T/T}_{\text{HM}}$  and its volume is  $13 \text{ M}^3/\text{T}_{\text{HM}}$ . The volume of blocks may be reduced to  $7 \text{ M}^3/\text{T}_{\text{HM}}$  when compacted the most. The induced radioactivity of the graphite waste is estimated to be about  $60 \text{ Ci/M}^3$  with major nuclides of Fe-55, Co-60, Cs-134 and Ag-110 m.

There is little difference in management of high level radioactive liquid waste such as solidification, engineering storage and geologic isolation between HTR and LWR fuel cycles with LEU.

Assuming that the recovery of nuclear fuels such as Pu and U is 99.5 w%, the major components of the high level waste including hulls are estimated as shown in Table 4-3. There is no significant change from 0.5 to 50 years in the weight of the vitrified waste with borosilicate glass as shown in Table 4-6. However, the level of its



activity decreases from  $8 \times 10^7$  to  $2 \times 10^6$  Ci/M<sup>3</sup> during the cooling time from 0.5 to 50 years. The activity of the vitrified high level waste from HTGR fuel cycle is estimated to be  $9 \times 10^8$  Ci/M<sup>3</sup> for 0.5 years cooling time; there is a difference in radiation level between HTGR and VHTR only in short cooling times as 0.5 years.

The silicon carbide such as hulls is also vitrified with borosilicate glass, and its weight, volume and activity are shown in Table 4-6. The volume of hulls (SiC) is about ten times smaller per unit electric power than that of hulls (Zr-alloy) in LWR.

The amounts of semi-volatile radioactive elements and particulates estimated are shown in Table 4-6. These elements are mainly Cs and Ru and partly trans Pu, which are absorbed in the silica gel, hepa-filter and other chemical reagents. Assuming the 1000-fold increase of weight by bitumization and the resulting solid with density 1.0, the activity of the product is calculated to be 57 and 1 Ci/l for 0.5 and 50 years of cooling time, respectively.

Volatile elements must be fractionated into such as Kr and I stored for cooling. The estimated amounts of the groups are shown in Table 4-6.

Table 4-6 Estimation of High Level Radio-active Waste and Other Wastes from VHTR Fuel Cycle

Cooling time(y)	0.5	10	50
Wastes			
1. Vitrified HLW			
weight kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	316	322	330
volume M <sup>3</sup> /T <sub>HM</sub>	0.11	0.11	0.11
activity Ci/M <sup>3</sup>	7.7 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	5.7 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.1 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
Major wastes (total weight kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	(63)	(64)	(66)
FP oxide kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	56	56	57
α-waste oxide*1 kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	2	3	4
Fuel oxide kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	5	5	5
2. Vitrified SiC hulls			
weight kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	816	816	816
volume M <sup>3</sup> /T <sub>HM</sub>	3	3	3
activity Ci/M <sup>3</sup>	3 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	3 x 10 <sup>3</sup>	9 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
Major wastes (total weight kg/T <sub>HM</sub> )	(163)	(163)	(163)
SiC hulls kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	158	158	158
FP oxide etc kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	5	5	5
3. Semi-volatile and particulates			
weight*2 kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	6	6	6
activity Ci/T <sub>HM</sub>	3 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	7 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
4. Volatile radioactive FP			
weight*3 kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	12	12	11
activity Ci/T <sub>HM</sub>	2 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	8 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
5. Non radioactive volatile waste, weight*4 kg/T <sub>HM</sub>	11	11	11

\*1 Np, Am, and Cm are included.

\*2 Major elements are Cs, Ru and a small amount of transplutonium.

\*3 Major elements are Kr and I.

\*4 Major elements are Br and Xe.

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## Appendix

## A1 Fuel material balance

## A1.1 Material balance of once through fuel cycle in LEU-HTR

The detailed material balances of once through fuel cycle in LEU-HTR are described.

The items and the results analyzed are as follows;

- 1) Fuel material balance of HTR  
(Table A1.1-1, Fig. A1.1-1)
- 2) Difference of fuel material balance between HTR and LWR  
(Table A1.1-2)
- 3) Build up and decay of actinide in spent fuels of HTR  
(Table A1.1-3, A1.1-4)
- 4) Radioactivity of actinide in spent fuels of HTR  
(Table A1.1-5, A1.1-6, Fig. A1.1-2, A1.1-3, A1.1-4)
- 5) Radioactivity of fission products in spent fuels of HTR  
(Table A1.1-7, A1.1-8, Fig. A1.1-5)
- 6) Difference of radioactivity in spent fuels between reprocessing and non-reprocessing  
(Table A1.1-9)
- 7) Radioactivity of  $^3\text{H}$  and  $^{14}\text{C}$  in spent fuel elements of HTR  
(Table A1.1-10)

The above (1) and (2) were estimated with the multi-group point burnup code, DELIGHT-4\* and the (3)~(6) with the analysis code of build up and decay of nuclides, DCHAIN.\*\*

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\*\* K. Tasaka ; JAERI 1250 (1977).

Table A1.1-1 Fuel Material Balance of LEU-HTR

HTR type		VHTR	HTGR
Thermal power	(MW)	3000	3000
Power density	(W/cm <sup>3</sup> )	6.0	9.0
Specific power	(w/g)	81.8	122.6
Fuel enrichment	(w/o)	6.0	6.5
Fuel burnup <sup>*1</sup>	(MWD/T)	62,800	62,300
Fuel dwelling time <sup>*2</sup>	(Yr)	3.0	2.0
Initial fuel loading	(ton HM)	36.67	24.47
U <sup>235</sup>	(ton)	2.2 <sub>0</sub>	1.5 <sub>4</sub>
U <sup>238</sup>	(ton)	34.47	22.8 <sub>8</sub>
Fuel reloading (annual)	(ton HM)	12.22	12.23
Uranium	(ton)	12.2 <sub>2</sub>	12.2 <sub>3</sub>
U <sup>235</sup>	(ton)	0.73 <sub>4</sub>	0.79 <sub>5</sub>
U <sup>238</sup>	(ton)	11.49	11.44
Fissile nuclide content	(w/o)	6.0	6.5
Fuel discharge (annual)	(ton HM)	11.3 <sub>8</sub>	11.3 <sub>9</sub>
Uranium	(ton)	11.2 <sub>2</sub>	11.2 <sub>3</sub>
U <sup>235</sup>	(kg)	157	180
U <sup>236</sup>	(kg)	90	101
U <sup>238</sup>	(ton)	10.9 <sub>7</sub>	10.9 <sub>5</sub>
Fissile nuclide content	(w/o)	1.4	1.6
Plutonium	(kg)	157	162
Pu <sup>239</sup>		64	72
Pu <sup>240</sup>		41	41
Pu <sup>241</sup>		31	31
Pu <sup>242</sup>		21	18
Fissile nuclide content	(w/o)	60	64

\*1 Operational margin of reactivity --- 0.01  $\Delta k_{\text{eff}}$ .

\*2 Plant factor --- 70 %.

Table A1.1-2 Difference of Fuel Material Balance between HTR and LWR

Reactor Type		VHTR	HTGR	BWR	PWR
Thermal power	(MW)	3000	3000	3000	3000
Thermal efficiency	(%)	—	40	34	33
Specific power	(w/g)	81.8	122.6	28	38
Burnup	(MWD/T)				
Initial loading fuel		55,800	51,900	17,000	22,600
Reload fuel		62,800	62,300	27,500	32,600
Uranium loading	(ton HM)				
Initial loading (enrich. %)		36.6 <sub>7</sub> (6.0)	24.4 <sub>7</sub> (6.5)	107.1 (2.03)	78.9 (2.26)
Annual reloading(enrich. %)		12.2 <sub>2</sub> (6.0)	12.2 <sub>3</sub> (6.5)	28.2 (2.73)	23.2 (3.21)
Natural uranium requirements*	(ton)				
Initial loading		454	330	411	342
Annual reloading		151	165	151	148
30 years		4682	5115	4639	4514
Separative work unit(ton-swu)					
Initial loading		367	271	209	187
Annual reloading		122	136	91	97
30 years		3783	4215	2848	3000
Fissile plutonium production	(ton)				
Annual		0.095	0.103	0.166	0.162
30 years		2.85	3.09	5.16 <sub>2</sub>	4.99 <sub>4</sub>
30 year natural uranium requirement	(ton/GWe)	(2080/3121)**	4263	4548	4560
30 year separative work	(ton-swu/GWe)	(1681/2522)**	3513	2792	3030

\* Tail enrichment --- 0.25 %.

\*\* Right; type of mainly process heat generation --- thermal effective efficiency 70 %.  
 Left; type of mainly electric power generation --- thermal effective efficiency 50 %.

\*\*\* Plant factor 70 %.

Table A1.1-3 Buildup and Decay of Actinide in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core

Cooling time	0	30 d	100 d	0.5 y	1.0 y	2 y	3 y	5 y	10 y	20 y	50 y	100 y	10 <sup>3</sup> y	10 <sup>4</sup> y	10 <sup>5</sup> y	10 <sup>6</sup> y
<b>Uranium</b>																
U-232	80(-7)	90(-7)	1.1(-6)	1.4(-6)	1.9(-6)	28(-6)	35(-6)	4.4(-6)	5.3(-6)	5.2(-6)	4.0(-6)	2.5(-6)	5.2(-10)	7.5(-47)	0.0	0.0
U-234	0.014	0.016	0.021	0.027	0.039	0.065	0.091	0.142	0.266	0.499	1.096	1.821	3.28	3.20	2.48	0.20
U-235	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1350	1349	1348
U-236	973	973	973	973	973	973	973	973	973	973	975	977	1014	1239	1379	1343
U-237	0.248	0.011	9.6(-6)	1.0(-6)	9.9(-7)	9.4(-7)	8.9(-7)	8.0(-7)	6.1(-7)	3.6(-7)	7.5(-8)	5.4(-9)	3.2(-12)	1.6(-12)	2.0(-15)	1.4(-44)
U-238	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110160	110159	110158	110143
U-239	0.017	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	112485	112482	112482	112482	112482	112483	112483	112483	112485	112488	112495	112504	112556	112780	112911	112836
<b>Neptunium</b>																
Np-236	5.2(-8)	7.3(-18)	7.5(-40)	6.0(-68)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-237	9.16	9.40	9.41	9.41	9.41	9.41	9.42	9.44	9.53	9.81	11.01	13.26	35.12	42.55	41.37	30.90
Np-238	0.035 <sub>3</sub>	1.8(-6)	1.6(-16)	2.4(-28)	1.7(-54)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-239	2.39	3.5(-4)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.3(-6)	3.0(-6)	1.4(-6)	5.4(-10)	4.2(-44)
Np-240	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	11.59	9.40	9.41	9.41	9.41	9.41	9.42	9.44	9.53	9.81	11.01	13.26	35.12	42.55	41.37	30.90
<b>Plutonium</b>																
Pu-236	5.4(-6)	5.4(-6)	5.1(-6)	4.8(-6)	4.3(-6)	3.4(-6)	2.6(-6)	1.6(-6)	4.8(-7)	4.2(-8)	2.8(-11)	1.5(-16)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pu-238	2.93	3.00	3.08	3.14	3.22	3.25	3.24	3.19	3.06	2.83	2.22	1.48	0.001 <sub>2</sub>	2.3(-22)	0.0	0.0
Pu-239	6.701	6.942	6.942	6.942	6.942	6.942	6.941	6.941	6.940	6.939	6.934	6.926	6.782	5.428	4.40	3.4(-11)
Pu-240	4.080	4.080	4.081	4.082	4.083	4.086	4.089	4.094	4.105	4.120	4.136	4.125	3.753	1.453	0.001 <sub>1</sub>	6.9(-45)
Pu-241	3.277	3.263	3.230	3.192	3.109	2.950	2.799	2.520	1.938	1.146	2.37	0.171	1.0(-4)	5.1(-6)	6.3(-8)	4.4(-37)
Pu-242	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.416	2.412	2.373	2.012	3.88
Pu-243	5.9(-3)	1.8(-46)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	16.768	17.002	16.977	16.946	16.872	16.719	16.570	16.290	15.706	14.904	13.945	13.633	12.947	9.253	2.452	3.88
<b>Americium</b>																
Am-241	1.03	1.17	1.50	1.88	2.70	4.29	5.79	8.56	14.30	21.94	29.80	29.71	7.65	0.001 <sub>9</sub>	2.3(-6)	1.6(-35)
Am-242m	0.014 <sub>3</sub>	0.014 <sub>3</sub>	0.014 <sub>3</sub>	0.014 <sub>2</sub>	0.014 <sub>2</sub>	0.014 <sub>2</sub>	0.014 <sub>1</sub>	0.014 <sub>0</sub>	0.013 <sub>6</sub>	0.0130 <sub>0</sub>	0.011 <sub>4</sub>	0.009 <sub>0</sub>	1.5(-4)	2.2(-22)	0.0	0.0
Am-242	2.8(-3)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.7(-7)	1.6(-7)	1.6(-7)	1.4(-7)	1.1(-7)	1.8(-9)	2.6(-27)	0.0	0.0
Am-243	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.14	4.12	3.81	1.736	6.75(-4)	5.3(-38)
Am-244	3.2(-3)	1.1(-24)	9.3(-75)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	5.20	5.34	5.67	6.05	6.87	8.46	9.96	1.273	18.46	26.10	33.95	33.84	11.46	1.738	6.77(-4)	1.61(-35)
<b>Curium</b>																
Cm-242	0.358	0.317	0.236	0.166	0.076 <sub>3</sub>	0.016 <sub>2</sub>	0.003 <sub>5</sub>	1.9(-4)	3.4(-5)	3.2(-5)	2.8(-5)	2.2(-5)	3.7(-7)	5.4(-25)	0.0	0.0
Cm-243	0.007 <sub>7</sub>	0.007 <sub>7</sub>	0.007 <sub>7</sub>	0.007 <sub>7</sub>	0.007 <sub>6</sub>	0.007 <sub>4</sub>	0.007 <sub>3</sub>	0.006 <sub>9</sub>	0.006 <sub>2</sub>	0.005 <sub>0</sub>	0.002 <sub>0</sub>	0.0008 <sub>9</sub>	3.0(-12)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-244	0.910	0.910	0.903	0.895	0.878	0.844	0.811	0.750	0.616	0.415	0.127	0.0177	7.0(-18)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-245	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>6</sub>	0.077 <sub>5</sub>	0.077 <sub>4</sub>	0.077 <sub>3</sub>	0.0770	0.0720	0.0368	4.47(-5)	3.2(-34)
<b>Total</b>	1.353	1.313	1.224	1.147	1.040	0.945	0.900	0.835	0.700	0.498	0.207	0.0957	0.0720	0.0368	4.47(-5)	3.15(-34)
<b>Total</b>	114343	114343	114343	114343	114343	114343	114343	114343	114342	114342	114341	114339	114317	114149	113570	113184

\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup> \*\* Unit: Kg \*\*\* Annually discharged fuel..... 1.4 ton HM



Table A.1.1-4 Buildup and Decay of Actinide in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from HTGR Core.

Cooling time	0	30 d	100 d	0.5y	1.0y	2 y	3 y	5 y	10 y	20 y	50 y	100y	10 <sup>3</sup> y	10 <sup>4</sup> y	10 <sup>5</sup> y	10 <sup>6</sup> y
<b>Uranium</b>																
U-232	5.4(-7)	6.5(-7)	9.0(-7)	1.2(-6)	1.7(-6)	2.7(-6)	3.4(-6)	4.3(-6)	5.3(-6)	5.2(-6)	4.0(-6)	2.5(-6)	5.1(-10)	7.5(-47)	0.0	0.0
U-234	0.008	0.010	0.014	0.019	0.030	0.052	0.074	0.118	0.224	0.424	0.936	1.557	2.81	2.74	2.13	0.17
U-235	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1598
U-236	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1041	104.2	1044	1078	1289	1419	1383
U-237	0.383	0.018	1.4(-5)	9.5(-7)	9.2(-7)	8.8(-7)	8.3(-7)	7.5(-7)	5.7(-7)	3.4(-7)	7.0(-8)	5.1(-9)	2.0(-12)	1.0(-12)	1.3(-15)	8.8(-45)
U-238	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110488	110486	11047.1
U-239	0.024	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	113131	113127	113127	113127	113127	113128	113128	113128	113130	113132	113138	113147	113193	113403	113526	113453
<b>Neptunium</b>																
Np-236	7.9(-8)	1.1(-17)	1.1(-40)	9.2(-68)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-237	9.64	10.01	10.02	10.02	10.03	10.03	10.04	10.06	10.13	10.39	11.50	13.58	33.82	40.69	39.54	29.54
Np-238	0.048 <sub>9</sub>	2.4(-6)	2.3(-16)	3.4(-28)	2.3(-54)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-239	3.44	4.9(-4)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.4(-6)	2.2(-6)	1.0(-6)	3.9(-10)	3.1(-44)
Np-240	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	1313	10.01	10.02	10.02	10.03	10.03	10.04	10.06	10.13	10.39	11.50	13.58	33.82	40.69	39.54	29.54
<b>Plutonium</b>																
Pu-236	5.7(-6)	5.6(-6)	5.3(-6)	5.0(-6)	4.5(-6)	3.5(-6)	2.7(-6)	1.7(-6)	5.0(-7)	4.4(-8)	3.0(-11)	1.5(-16)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pu-238	256	2.63	2.68	2.72	2.77	2.79	2.78	2.73	2.63	2.42	1.90	1.27	9.9(-4)	1.4(-22)	0.0	0.0
Pu-239	7917	8.263	8.263	8.263	8.263	8.262	8.262	8.262	8.261	8.259	8.253	8.242	8.056	6.367	5.07	3.9(-11)
Pu-240	3837	38.37	38.37	38.38	38.38	38.40	38.42	38.45	38.52	38.62	38.69	38.56	35.08	13.58	0.0010	6.5(-45)
Pu-241	3066	30.53	30.22	29.86	29.09	27.60	26.19	23.58	18.13	10.72	2.22	0.160	6.6(-6)	3.3(-5)	4.0(-8)	2.8(-37)
Pu-242	1895	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.92	18.61	15.78	30.4
Pu-243	6.7(-3)	2.0(-46)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	16971	17310	17285	17254	17183	17037	16896	16634	16084	15330	14428	14136	13456	9586	2086	30.4
<b>Americium</b>																
Am-241	0.629	0.761	1.07	1.42	2.20	3.68	5.08	7.68	13.05	20.20	27.57	27.51	7.08	0.0012 <sub>0</sub>	1.4(-6)	1.0(-35)
Am-242m	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>6</sub>	0.008 <sub>5</sub>	0.008 <sub>4</sub>	0.008 <sub>3</sub>	0.007 <sub>9</sub>	0.006 <sub>9</sub>	0.005 <sub>5</sub>	9.0(-5)	1.3(-22)	0.0	0.0
Am-242	2.4(-3)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	1.0(-7)	9.9(-8)	9.5(-8)	8.3(-8)	6.6(-8)	1.1(-9)	1.6(-27)	0.0	0.0
Am-243	3.03	3.04	3.04	3.04	3.04	3.03	3.03	3.03	3.03	3.03	3.02	3.01	2.78	1.269	4.93(-4)	3.9(-38)
Am-244	3.3(-3)	1.2(-24)	9.8(-75)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	367	381	4.11	4.47	5.24	6.72	8.13	10.72	16.09	23.24	30.60	30.52	9.86	1.270	4.95(-4)	1.02(-35)
<b>Curium</b>																
Cm-242	0.241	0.214	0.159	0.112	0.051 <sub>5</sub>	0.010 <sub>9</sub>	0.002 <sub>3</sub>	1.2(-4)	2.0(-5)	2.0(-5)	1.7(-5)	1.4(-5)	2.2(-7)	3.3(-25)	0.0	0.0
Cm-243	0.004 <sub>8</sub>	0.004 <sub>8</sub>	0.004 <sub>8</sub>	0.004 <sub>5</sub>	0.004 <sub>3</sub>	0.004 <sub>6</sub>	0.004 <sub>5</sub>	0.004 <sub>3</sub>	0.003 <sub>9</sub>	0.003 <sub>1</sub>	0.001 <sub>6</sub>	0.0005 <sub>5</sub>	1.9(-12)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-244	0.616	0.618	0.613	0.608	0.596	0.573	0.551	0.509	0.418	0.282	0.086 <sub>4</sub>	0.0120	4.7(-18)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-245	0.0491	0.0491	0.0491	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.049 <sub>0</sub>	0.048 <sub>9</sub>	0.0487	0.0455	0.0233	2.83(-5)	2.0(-34)
<b>Total</b>	0.912	0.886	0.826	0.774	0.701	0.637	0.607	0.563	0.471	0.334	0.136 <sub>9</sub>	0.0613	0.0455	0.0233	2.83(-5)	1.99(-34)
<b>Total</b>	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115005	115003	115002	114976	114782	114130	11377.9

\* (a±b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup>      \*\* Unit: Kg      \*\*\* Annually discharged fuel ..... 1.4 ton HM

Table A.1.1-5 Radioactivity of Actinide in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.

Cooling time	0 d	30 d	100 d	0.5y	10y	2y	3y	5y	10y	20y	50y	100y	10 <sup>3</sup> y	10 <sup>4</sup> y	10 <sup>5</sup> y	10 <sup>6</sup> y
Uranium																
U-232	1.67 -2	1.89 -2	2.39 -2	2.95 -2	4.07 -2	5.93 -2	7.37 -2	9.30 -2	1.12 -1	1.10 -1	8.36 -2	5.22 -2	1.08 -5	1.58 -42	0.0	0.0
U-234	8.97 -2	1.02 -1	1.30 -1	1.65 -1	2.43 -1	4.02 -1	5.61 -1	8.77 -1	1.64 0	3.09 0	6.79 0	1.13 1	2.03 1	1.98 1	1.54 1	1.23 0
U-235	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1	2.89 -1
U-236	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.17 0	6.20 0	6.43 0	7.86 0	8.75 0	8.52 0
U-237	2.02 7	9.29 5	7.85 2	8.28 1	8.06 1	7.64 1	7.25 1	6.53 1	5.02 1	2.97 1	6.14 0	4.44 -1	2.60 -4	1.33 -4	1.62 -7	1.14 -36
U-238	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0	3.67 0
U-239	5.56 8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total, $\alpha$	1.60 1	1.03 1	1.03 1	1.03 1	1.04 1	1.06 1	1.08 1	1.11 1	1.19 1	1.33 1	1.70 1	2.15 1	3.07 1	3.16 1	2.81 1	1.37 1
Total, $\beta$	5.76 8	9.29 5	7.85 2	8.28 1	8.06 1	7.64 1	7.25 1	6.53 1	5.02 1	2.97 1	6.14 0	4.44 -1	2.60 -4	1.33 -4	1.62 -7	1.14 -36
Neptunium																
Np-236	3.12 1	4.39 -9	4.52 -32	3.65 -59	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-237	6.46 0	6.63 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.65 0	6.66 0	6.72 0	6.92 0	7.77 0	9.36 0	2.48 1	3.00 1	2.92 1	2.18 1
Np-238	9.22 6	4.62 2	4.27 -8	6.36 -20	4.39 -46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Np-239	5.56 8	8.12 4	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.68 2	7.66 2	7.63 2	7.05 2	3.22 2	1.25 -1	9.88 -36
Np-240	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total, $\alpha$	6.46 0	6.63 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.64 0	6.65 0	6.66 0	6.72 0	6.92 0	7.77 0	9.36 0	2.48 1	3.00 1	2.92 1	2.18 1
Total, $\beta$	5.65 8	8.16 4	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.68 2	7.66 2	7.63 2	7.05 2	3.22 2	1.25 -1	9.88 -36
Plutonium																
Pu-236	2.90 0	2.85 0	2.72 0	2.58 0	2.28 0	1.79 0	1.40 0	8.63 -1	2.55 -1	2.24 -2	1.51 -5	7.84 -11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pu-238	5.12 4	5.25 4	5.38 4	5.49 4	5.63 4	5.68 4	5.66 4	5.57 4	5.36 4	4.94 4	3.88 4	2.60 4	2.10 1	4.10 -18	0.0	0.0
Pu-239	4.11 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.26 3	4.25 3	4.16 3	3.33 3	2.70 2	2.09 -9
Pu-240	9.25 3	9.25 3	9.25 3	9.25 3	9.25 3	9.26 3	9.27 3	9.28 3	9.30 3	9.34 3	9.37 3	9.35 3	8.50 3	3.29 3	2.50 -1	1.57 -42
Pu-241	3.69 6	3.67 6	3.63 6	3.59 6	3.50 6	3.32 6	3.15 6	2.83 6	2.18 6	1.29 6	2.66 5	1.93 4	1.13 1	5.79 0	7.04 -3	4.96 -32
Pu-242	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.43 1	9.41 1	9.26 1	7.85 1	1.51 1
Pu-243	1.52 7	4.56 -37	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total, $\alpha$	1.53 7	6.61 4	6.74 4	6.85 4	6.99 4	7.04 4	7.02 4	6.94 4	6.72 4	6.31 4	5.25 4	3.97 4	1.28 4	6.72 3	3.49 2	1.51 1
Total, $\beta$	3.69 6	3.67 6	3.63 6	3.59 6	3.50 6	3.32 6	3.15 6	2.83 6	2.18 6	1.29 6	2.66 5	1.93 4	1.13 1	5.79 0	7.04 -3	4.96 -32
Americium																
Am-241	3.34 3	3.80 3	4.86 3	6.09 3	8.77 3	1.39 4	1.88 4	2.78 4	4.64 4	7.11 4	9.66 4	9.63 4	2.48 4	6.12 0	7.40 -3	5.22 -32
Am-242m	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.38 2	1.38 2	1.37 2	1.36 2	1.33 2	1.27 2	1.11 2	8.80 1	1.45 0	2.11 -18	0.0	0.0
Am-242	2.25 6	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.38 2	1.38 2	1.37 2	1.36 2	1.33 2	1.27 2	1.11 2	8.80 1	1.45 0	2.11 -18	0.0	0.0
Am-243	7.68 2	7.70 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.69 2	7.68 2	7.66 2	7.63 2	7.05 2	3.22 2	1.25 -1	9.88 -36
Am-244	4.05 6	1.40 -15	1.19 -65	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total, $\alpha$	4.05 6	4.57 3	5.63 3	6.86 3	9.54 3	1.47 4	1.95 4	2.85 4	4.71 4	7.19 4	9.74 4	9.71 4	2.55 4	3.28 2	1.32 -1	5.22 -32
Total, $\beta$	2.25 6	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.38 2	1.38 2	1.37 2	1.36 2	1.33 2	1.27 2	1.11 2	8.80 1	1.45 0	2.11 -18	0.0	0.0
I.T.	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.38 2	1.38 2	1.37 2	1.36 2	1.33 2	1.27 2	1.11 2	8.80 1	1.45 0	2.11 -18	0.0	0.0
Curium																
Cm-242	1.19 6	1.05 6	7.80 5	5.49 5	2.53 5	5.36 4	1.15 4	6.23 2	1.12 2	1.07 2	9.32 1	7.42 1	1.22 0	1.78 -18	0.0	0.0
Cm-243	3.56 2	3.55 2	3.54 2	3.52 2	3.48 2	3.41 2	3.34 2	3.20 2	2.87 2	2.31 2	1.20 2	4.08 1	1.37 -7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-244	7.58 4	7.59 4	7.53 4	7.46 4	7.32 4	7.03 4	6.76 4	6.25 4	5.13 4	3.46 4	1.06 4	1.48 3	5.83 -13	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-245	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.22 1	1.21 1	1.21 1	1.13 1	5.78 0	7.03 -3	4.95 -32
Total, $\alpha$	1.26 6	1.13 6	8.56 5	6.24 5	3.26 5	1.24 5	7.94 4	6.35 4	5.17 4	3.50 4	1.08 4	1.61 3	1.25 1	5.78 0	7.03 -3	4.95 -32
Total, $\beta$	2.06 7	1.20 6	9.29 5	7.00 5	4.06 5	2.09 5	1.69 5	1.61 5	1.66 5	1.70 5	1.61 5	1.38 5	3.84 4	7.11 3	4.06 2	5.06 1
Total, I.T.	1.15 9	4.68 6	3.64 6	3.59 6	3.50 6	3.32 6	3.15 6	2.84 6	2.18 6	1.29 6	2.67 5	2.01 4	7.18 2	3.27 2	1.32 -1	4.96 -32
Total, I.T.	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.39 2	1.38 2	1.38 2	1.37 2	1.36 2	1.33 2	1.27 2	1.11 2	8.80 1	1.45 0	2.11 -18	0.0	0.0

\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup>      \*\* Unit: Curie      \*\*\* Annually discharged fuel ..... 1.4 ton HM

Table A.1.1-6 Radioactivity of Actinide in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from HTGR Core.

Cooling time	0 d	30-d	100d	0.5y	1.0y	2y	3y	5y	10y	20y	50y	100y	10 <sup>3</sup> y	10 <sup>4</sup> y	10 <sup>5</sup> y	10 <sup>6</sup> y	
Uranium	U-232	1.12 -2	1.36 -2	1.88 -2	2.46 -2	3.64 -2	7.08 -2	9.10 -2	1.11 -1	1.10 -1	8.33 -2	5.20 -2	1.08 -5	1.57 -42	0.0	0.0	
	U-234	5.15 -2	6.21 -2	8.71 -2	1.17 -1	1.85 -1	3.21 -1	4.58 -1	1.39 0	2.63 0	5.80 0	9.64 0	1.74 1	1.69 1	1.32 1	1.05 0	
	U-235	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1	3.43 -1
	U-236	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0	6.60 0
	U-237	3.13 7	1.44 6	1.16 3	7.76 1	7.54 1	7.15 1	6.79 1	6.11 1	4.70 1	2.78 1	5.74 0	4.15 -1	1.65 -4	8.42 -5	1.02 -7	7.21 -37
	U-238	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0	3.68 0
	U-239	7.99 8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total, $\alpha$	1.60 1	1.07 1	1.07 1	1.08 1	1.08 1	1.10 1	1.12 1	1.14 1	1.21 1	1.34 1	1.65 1	2.03 1	2.82 1	2.91 1	2.62 1	1.38 1
	Total, $\beta$	8.30 8	1.44 6	1.16 3	7.76 1	7.54 1	7.15 1	6.79 1	6.11 1	4.70 1	2.78 1	5.74 0	4.15 -1	1.65 -4	8.42 -5	1.02 -7	7.21 -37
Neptunium	Np-236	4.77 1	6.71 -9	6.90 -32	5.58 -59	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Np-237	6.80 0	7.06 0	7.07 0	7.07 0	7.07 0	7.08 0	7.09 0	7.15 0	7.33 0	8.12 0	9.58 0	2.39 1	2.87 1	2.79 1	2.08 1	2.08 1
	Np-238	1.28 7	6.39 2	5.91 -8	8.82 -20	6.09 -46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Np-239	7.99 8	1.16 5	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.61 2	5.60 2	5.57 2	5.15 2	2.35 2	9.14 -2	7.22 -36	7.22 -36
	Np-240	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total, $\alpha$	6.80 0	7.06 0	7.07 0	7.07 0	7.07 0	7.08 0	7.08 0	7.09 0	7.15 0	7.33 0	8.12 0	9.58 0	2.39 1	2.87 1	2.79 1	2.08 1
Total, $\beta$	8.12 8	1.17 5	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.61 2	5.60 2	5.57 2	5.15 2	2.35 2	9.14 -2	7.22 -36	
Plutonium	Pu-236	3.01 0	2.97 0	2.84 0	2.68 0	2.38 0	1.46 0	8.99 -1	2.66 -1	2.33 -2	1.57 -5	8.17 -11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Pu-238	4.47 4	4.60 4	4.69 4	4.76 4	4.85 4	4.85 4	4.78 4	4.59 4	4.24 4	3.33 4	2.22 4	1.73 1	2.48 -18	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Pu-239	4.86 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.07 3	5.06 3	5.06 3	4.94 3	3.91 3	3.11 2	2.41 -9	2.41 -9
	Pu-240	8.69 3	8.69 3	8.69 3	8.70 3	8.70 3	8.70 3	8.71 3	8.71 3	8.73 3	8.75 3	8.74 3	7.95 3	3.08 3	2.33 -1	1.46 -42	1.46 -42
	Pu-241	3.45 6	3.43 6	3.40 6	3.36 6	3.27 6	3.10 6	2.95 6	2.65 6	2.04 6	1.21 6	2.49 5	1.80 4	7.16 0	3.66 0	4.45 -3	3.14 -32
	Pu-242	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.39 1	7.38 1	7.26 1	6.16 1	1.19 1
	Pu-243	1.72 7	5.18 -37	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total, $\alpha$	1.73 7	5.99 4	6.08 4	6.15 4	6.23 4	6.26 4	6.24 4	6.17 4	5.98 4	5.63 4	4.72 4	3.61 4	1.30 4	7.06 3	3.73 2	1.19 1
	Total, $\beta$	3.45 6	3.43 6	3.40 6	3.36 6	3.27 6	3.10 6	2.95 6	2.65 6	2.04 6	1.21 6	2.49 5	1.80 4	7.16 0	3.66 0	4.45 -3	3.14 -32
Americium	Am-241	2.04 3	2.47 3	3.46 3	4.61 3	7.12 3	1.65 4	2.49 4	4.23 4	6.55 4	8.94 4	8.92 4	2.30 4	3.88 0	4.68 -3	3.30 -32	3.30 -32
	Am-242m	8.41 1	8.40 1	8.40 1	8.39 1	8.37 1	8.33 1	8.29 1	8.03 1	7.67 1	6.69 1	5.33 1	8.77 -1	1.28 -18	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Am-242	1.97 6	8.40 1	8.40 1	8.39 1	8.37 1	8.33 1	8.29 1	8.03 1	7.67 1	6.69 1	5.33 1	8.77 -1	1.28 -18	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Am-243	5.61 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.62 2	5.61 2	5.60 2	5.57 2	5.15 2	2.35 2	9.14 -2	7.22 -36	7.22 -36
	Am-244	4.23 6	1.47 -15	1.24 -65	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total, $\alpha$	4.24 6	3.03 3	4.02 3	5.18 3	7.68 3	1.25 4	1.70 4	2.54 4	4.29 4	6.61 4	8.99 4	8.97 4	2.35 4	2.39 2	9.60 -2	3.30 -32
	Total, $\beta$	1.97 6	8.40 1	8.40 1	8.39 1	8.37 1	8.33 1	8.29 1	8.03 1	7.67 1	6.69 1	5.33 1	5.33 1	8.77 -1	1.28 -18	0.0	0.0
	I.T.	8.41 1	8.40 1	8.40 1	8.39 1	8.37 1	8.33 1	8.29 1	8.22 1	8.03 1	7.67 1	6.69 1	5.33 1	8.77 -1	1.28 -18	0.0	0.0
	Curium	Cm-242	7.99 5	7.09 5	5.27 5	3.71 5	1.71 5	7.72 3	4.13 2	6.78 1	6.46 1	5.64 1	4.49 1	7.38 -1	1.08 -18	0.0	0.0
Cm-243		2.22 2	2.21 2	2.21 2	2.20 2	2.17 2	2.08 2	1.99 2	1.79 2	1.44 2	7.51 1	2.54 1	8.56 -8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-244		5.14 4	5.15 4	5.11 4	5.06 4	4.97 4	4.77 4	4.24 4	3.48 4	2.35 4	7.20 3	1.00 3	3.96 -13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cm-245		7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.70 0	7.69 0	7.65 0	7.15 0	3.65 0	4.44 -3	3.13 -32	3.13 -32
Total, $\alpha$		8.51 5	7.61 5	5.78 5	4.22 5	2.21 5	8.42 4	5.38 4	4.30 4	3.51 4	2.37 4	1.08 3	7.89 0	3.65 0	4.44 -3	3.13 -32	3.13 -32
Total	$\alpha$	2.24 7	8.24 5	6.43 5	4.88 5	2.91 5	1.33 5	1.30 5	1.38 5	1.46 5	1.44 5	1.27 5	3.65 4	7.36 3	4.27 2	4.65 1	4.65 1
	$\beta$	1.65 9	4.99 6	3.40 6	3.36 6	3.27 6	2.95 6	2.65 6	2.04 6	1.21 6	2.50 5	1.86 4	5.23 2	2.39 2	9.58 -2	3.14 -32	3.14 -32
	I.T.	8.41 1	8.40 1	8.40 1	8.39 1	8.37 1	8.33 1	8.22 1	8.03 1	7.67 1	6.69 1	5.33 1	8.77 -1	1.28 -18	0.0	0.0	0.0

\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup> \*\* Unit: Curie \*\*\* Annually discharged fuel ..... 1.4 ton HM

Table A1.1-7 Radioactivity of Fission Products in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.

Nuclide	Cooling time (Yr)											
	0	0.5	1	5	10	50	100	500	10 <sup>3</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	10 <sup>6</sup>
Se <sup>79</sup>	7.23+0 6.34-1	7.23+0 6.34-1	7.23+0 6.34-1	7.23+0 6.34-1	7.22+0 6.34-1	7.22+0 6.33-1	7.22+0 6.33-1	7.19+0 6.30-1	7.15+0 6.27-1	6.49+0 5.70-1	2.49+0 2.18-1	1.68-4 1.47-5
Kr <sup>85</sup>	2.29+5 2.01+4	2.22+5 1.95+4	2.15+5 1.89+4	1.66+5 1.46+4	1.20+5 1.06+4	9.14+3 8.01+2	3.64+2 3.19+1	2.30-9 2.02-10	2.32-23 2.03-24	0.0 0.0		
Rb <sup>87</sup>	4.41+5 3.87+4	4.38+5 3.84+4	4.35+5 3.82+4	4.12+5 3.61+4	3.84+5 3.37+4	2.01+5 1.93+4	1.10+5 9.67+3	4.29+2 3.76+1	4.17-1 3.66-2	2.50-55 2.19-56	0.0 0.0	
Sr <sup>89</sup>	2.87+7 2.48+6	2.84+6 2.05+5	1.94+5 1.70+4	4.25-4 3.73-5	6.41-15 5.62-16	0.0 0.0						
Sr <sup>90</sup>	1.74+6 1.52+5	1.71+6 1.50+5	1.69+6 1.49+5	1.54+6 1.35+5	1.36+6 1.20+5	5.23+5 4.58+4	1.57+5 1.38+4	1.07+1 9.35-1	6.55-5 5.74-6	0.0 0.0		
Y <sup>90</sup>	1.73+6 1.52+5	1.71+6 1.50+5	1.69+6 1.49+5	1.54+6 1.35+5	1.37+6 1.20+5	5.23+5 4.59+4	1.57+5 1.38+4	1.07+1 9.35-1	6.55-5 5.76-6	0.0 0.0		
Y <sup>91</sup>	3.54+7 3.11+6	4.15+6 3.64+5	4.83+5 4.23+4	1.59-2 1.40-3	7.13-12 6.25-13	0.0 0.0						
Zr <sup>93</sup>	6.59+1 5.78+0	6.60+1 5.79+0	6.60+1 5.79+0	6.60+1 5.79+0	6.60+1 5.79+0	6.59+1 5.78+0	6.59+1 5.78+0	6.59+1 5.78+0	6.59+1 5.78+0	6.55+1 5.74+0	6.13+1 5.38+0	3.18+1 2.79+0
Zr <sup>95</sup>	4.79+7 4.20+6	6.94+6 6.09+5	1.01+6 8.83+4	1.94-1 1.70-2	7.83-10 6.87-11	0.0 0.0						
Nb <sup>93m</sup>	1.68+1 1.47+0	1.80+1 1.57+0	1.91+1 1.67+0	2.71+1 2.38+0	3.51+1 3.08+0	5.91+1 5.18+0	6.24+1 5.47+0	6.26+1 5.49+0	6.26+1 5.49+0	6.22+1 5.46+0	5.82+1 5.11+0	3.02+1 2.65+0
Nb <sup>94</sup>	1.75-1 1.53-2	1.75-1 1.53-2	1.75-1 1.53-2	1.75-1 1.53-2	1.75-1 1.53-2	1.74-1 1.53-2	1.74-1 1.53-2	1.72-1 1.51-2	1.69-1 1.48-2	1.24-1 1.08-2	5.45-3 4.78-4	1.52-16 1.33-17
Nb <sup>95</sup>	4.79+7 4.20+6	1.35+7 1.18+6	2.13+6 1.87+5	4.18-1 3.66-2	1.69-9 1.48-10	0.0 0.0						
Te <sup>99</sup>	3.28+2 2.87+1	3.30+2 2.89+1	3.30+2 2.89+1	3.30+2 2.89+1	3.30+2 2.89+1	3.30+2 2.89+1	3.29+2 2.89+1	3.29+2 2.89+1	3.29+2 2.88+1	3.19+2 2.80+1	2.38+2 2.09+1	1.27+1 1.11+0
Ru <sup>103</sup>	3.98+7 3.49+6	1.66+6 1.46+5	6.91+4 6.06+3	6.13-7 5.38-8	9.43-21 8.27-22	0.0 0.0						
Ru <sup>106</sup>	1.41+7 1.24+6	1.00+7 8.78+5	7.10+6 6.23+5	4.53+5 3.97+4	1.45+4 1.27+3	1.62-8 1.43-9	1.87-23 1.64-24	0.0 0.0				
Rh <sup>103m</sup>	3.94+7 3.46+6	1.64+6 1.44+5	6.85+4 6.01+3	6.07-7 5.33-8	9.34-21 8.20-22	0.0 0.0						
Rh <sup>106</sup>	1.69+7 1.49+6	1.00+7 8.78+5	7.10+6 6.23+5	4.53+5 3.97+4	1.45+4 1.27+3	1.62-8 1.43-9	1.87-23 1.64-24	0.0 0.0				
Pd <sup>107</sup>	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.63+0 2.31-1	2.60+0 2.28-1	2.38+0 2.09-1
Sb <sup>125</sup>	1.97+5 1.72+4	1.74+5 1.53+4	1.53+5 1.35+4	5.55+4 4.87+3	1.56+4 1.37+3	6.01-1 5.27-2	1.83-6 1.60-7	1.33-50 1.17-51	0.0 0.0			
Te <sup>125m</sup>	3.77+4 3.30+3	3.81+4 3.34+3	3.41+4 2.99+3	1.24+4 1.09+3	3.48+3 3.05+2	1.34-1 1.18-2	4.08-7 3.57-8	2.97-51 2.61-52	0.0 0.0			
I <sup>129</sup>	8.46-1 7.42-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.55-1 7.50-2	8.51-1 7.47-2	8.19-1 7.18-2
I <sup>131</sup>	2.68+7 2.35+6	4.27+0 3.74-1	6.58-7 5.77-8	1.89-61 1.66-62	0.0 0.0							
Cs <sup>134</sup>	4.43+6 3.88+5	3.74+6 3.28+5	3.16+6 2.77+5	8.22+5 7.21+4	1.53+5 1.34+4	2.16-1 1.90-2	1.05-8 9.25-10	3.39-67 2.98-68	0.0 0.0			
Cs <sup>135</sup>	7.59+0 6.66-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.62+0 6.68-1	7.59+0 6.66-1	7.39+0 6.48-1	5.63+0 4.94-1
Cs <sup>137</sup>	2.51+6 2.20+5	2.48+6 2.18+5	2.45+6 2.15+5	2.24+6 1.96+5	1.99+6 1.75+5	7.96+5 6.98+4	2.52+5 2.21+4	2.58+1 2.27+0	2.66-4 2.33-5	0.0 0.0		
Ba <sup>137m</sup>	2.35+6 2.06+5	2.32+6 2.03+5	2.29+6 2.01+5	2.09+6 1.83+5	1.86+6 1.64+5	7.44+5 6.53+4	2.36+5 2.07+4	2.42+1 2.12+0	2.49-4 2.18-5	0.0 0.0		
Ce <sup>141</sup>	4.77+7 4.19+6	9.83+5 8.62+4	2.01+4 1.76+3	6.04-10 5.30-11	7.61-27 6.67-28	0.0 0.0						
Ce <sup>144</sup>	3.35+7 2.94+6	2.15+7 1.88+6	1.38+7 1.21+6	3.91+5 3.43+4	4.56+3 4.00+2	1.57-12 1.37-13	7.32-32 6.42-33	0.0 0.0				
Pr <sup>144</sup>	3.39+7 2.97+6	2.15+7 1.88+6	1.38+7 1.21+6	3.91+5 3.43+4	4.56+3 4.00+2	1.57-12 1.37-13	7.32-32 6.42-33	0.0 0.0				
Pm <sup>147</sup>	3.92+6 3.44+5	3.62+6 3.17+5	3.17+6 2.78+5	1.10+6 9.65+4	2.93+5 2.57+4	7.48+0 6.56-1	1.35-5 1.19-6	1.56-51 1.37-52	0.0 0.0			
Pm <sup>148m</sup>	5.61+6 4.92+5	2.66+5 2.34+4	1.26+4 1.11+3	3.18-7 2.79-8	1.80-20 1.58-21	0.0 0.0						
Sm <sup>151</sup>	3.93+3 3.45+2	4.08+3 3.58+2	4.07+3 3.57+2	3.95+3 3.46+2	3.80+3 3.34+2	2.82+3 2.48+2	1.94+3 1.71+2	9.84+1 8.63+0	2.36+0 2.07-1	1.67-29 1.46-30	0.0 0.0	
Eu <sup>154</sup>	2.66+5 2.33+4	2.54+5 2.23+4	2.43+5 2.14+4	1.71+5 1.50+4	1.09+5 9.59+3	3.12+3 2.74+2	3.66+1 3.21+0	1.30-14 1.14-15	6.38-34 5.60-35	0.0 0.0		
Eu <sup>155</sup>	1.76+5 1.55+4	1.64+5 1.44+4	1.53+5 1.34+4	8.81+4 7.73+3	4.40+4 3.86+3	1.71+2 1.50+1	1.67-1 1.46-2	1.33-25 1.16-26	9.98-56 8.75-57	0.0 0.0		
Tb <sup>158</sup>	8.87-1 7.78-2	8.86-1 7.77-2	8.86-1 7.77-2	8.84-1 7.76-2	8.82-1 7.74-2	8.66-1 7.60-2	8.46-1 7.43-2	7.04-1 6.17-2	5.58-1 4.90-2	8.70-3 7.63-4	7.33-21 6.43-22	0.0 0.0
Total F.P.	4.75+9 4.17+8	1.12+8 9.83+6	6.16+7 5.41+6	1.19+7 1.05+6	7.75+6 6.80+5	2.82+6 2.48+5	9.16+5 8.04+4	1.11+3 9.76+1	5.09+2 4.47+1	4.93+2 4.32+1	3.86+2 3.39+1	8.35+1 7.33+0

\* Unit : Curie

\*\*\* Upper.....for total discharged fuels (11.4 ton H.M.)

\*\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup>

Lower.....for unit discharged fuel (1 ton H.M.)

Table A11-8 Radioactivity of Fission Products in Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from HTGR Core.

Nuclide	Cooling time (Yr)											
	0	0.5	1	5	10	50	100	500	10 <sup>3</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	10 <sup>6</sup>
Se <sup>79</sup>	7.49+0	7.49+0	7.49+0	7.49+0	7.49+0	7.48+0	7.48+0	7.45+0	7.41+0	6.73+0	2.58+0	1.74-4
	6.57-1	6.57-1	6.57-1	6.57-1	6.57-1	6.57-1	6.56-1	6.53-1	6.50-1	5.90-1	2.26-1	1.52-5
Kr <sup>85</sup>	2.41+5	2.34+5	2.26+5	1.75+5	1.27+5	9.61+3	3.83+2	2.43-9	2.44-23	0.0		
	2.12+4	2.05+4	1.99+4	1.53+4	1.11+4	8.43+2	3.36+1	2.13-10	2.14-24	0.0		
Rb <sup>87</sup>	4.59+5	4.56+5	4.53+5	4.29+5	4.00+5	2.30+5	1.15+5	4.46+2	4.34-1	2.60-55	0.0	
	4.03+4	4.00+4	3.97+4	3.76+4	3.51+4	2.01+4	1.01+4	3.92+1	3.81-2	2.28-56	0.0	
Sr <sup>89</sup>	4.40+7	3.65+6	3.03+5	6.63-4	1.00-14	0.0						
	3.86+6	3.20+5	2.65+4	5.82-5	8.77-16	0.0						
Sr <sup>90</sup>	1.81+6	1.79+6	1.77+6	1.61+6	1.43+6	5.47+5	1.65+5	1.11+1	6.85-5	0.0		
	1.59+5	1.57+5	1.55+5	1.41+5	1.25+5	4.79+4	1.44+4	9.78-1	6.01-6	0.0		
Y <sup>90</sup>	1.81+6	1.79+6	1.77+6	1.61+6	1.43+6	5.47+5	1.65+5	1.11+1	6.85-5	0.0		
	1.58+5	1.57+5	1.55+5	1.41+5	1.25+5	4.80+4	1.44+4	9.78-1	6.01-6	0.0		
Y <sup>91</sup>	5.49+7	6.43+6	7.48+5	2.47-2	1.10-11	0.0						
	4.81+6	5.64+5	6.56+4	2.17-3	9.69-13	0.0						
Zr <sup>93</sup>	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.74+1	6.69+1	6.27+1	3.25+1
	5.91+0	5.92+0	5.92+0	5.92+0	5.92+0	5.92+0	5.92+0	5.91+0	5.91+0	5.87+0	5.50+0	2.85+0
Zr <sup>95</sup>	7.25+7	1.05+7	1.52+6	2.93-1	1.19-9	0.0						
	6.36+6	9.22+5	1.34+5	2.57-2	1.04-10	0.0						
Nb <sup>93m</sup>	1.80+1	1.92+1	2.03+1	2.84+1	3.64+1	6.05+1	6.38+1	6.40+1	6.40+1	6.36+1	5.96+1	3.09+1
	1.58+0	1.68+0	1.78+0	2.49+0	3.20+0	5.30+0	5.59+0	5.62+0	5.62+0	5.58+0	5.22+0	2.71+0
Nb <sup>94</sup>	1.87-1	1.87-1	1.87-1	1.87-1	1.87-1	1.86-1	1.86-1	1.84-1	1.80-1	1.82-1	5.82-3	1.62-16
	1.64-2	1.64-2	1.64-2	1.64-2	1.64-2	1.64-2	1.63-2	1.61-2	1.58-2	1.16-2	5.11-4	1.42-17
Nb <sup>95</sup>	7.22+7	2.04+7	3.22+6	6.32-1	2.56-9	0.0						
	6.33+6	1.79+6	2.83+5	5.55-2	2.24-10	0.0						
Tc <sup>99</sup>	3.27+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.30+2	3.29+2	3.20+2	2.38+2	1.27+1
	2.87+1	2.90+1	2.90+1	2.90+1	2.90+1	2.90+1	2.90+1	2.89+1	2.89+1	2.80+1	2.09+1	1.12+0
Ru <sup>103</sup>	5.79+7	2.42+6	1.01+5	8.92-7	1.37-20	0.0						
	5.08+6	2.12+5	8.83+3	7.83-8	1.20-21	0.0						
Ru <sup>106</sup>	1.58+7	1.12+7	7.93+6	5.06+5	1.62+4	1.81-8	2.09-23	0.0				
	1.38+6	9.81+5	6.95+5	4.43+4	1.42+3	1.59-9	1.83-24	0.0				
Rh <sup>103m</sup>	5.37+7	2.39+6	9.97+4	8.84-7	1.36-20	0.0						
	5.03+6	2.10+5	8.75+3	7.76-8	1.19-21	0.0						
Rh <sup>106</sup>	2.11+7	1.12+7	7.93+6	5.06+5	1.62+4	1.81+8	2.09-23	0.0				
	1.85+6	9.81+5	6.95+5	4.43+4	1.42+3	1.59+9	1.83-24	0.0				
Pd <sup>107</sup>	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.40+0	2.38+0	2.17+0
	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.11-1	2.10-1	2.08-1	1.91-1
Sb <sup>125</sup>	2.04+5	1.81+5	1.60+5	5.78+4	1.62+4	6.26-1	1.90-6	1.39-50	0.0			
	1.79+4	1.59+4	1.40+4	5.07+3	1.42+3	5.49-2	1.67-7	1.22-51	0.0			
Te <sup>125m</sup>	3.67+4	3.94+4	3.55+4	1.29+4	3.62+3	1.40-1	4.24-7	3.09-51	0.0			
	3.22+3	3.46+3	3.11+3	1.13+3	3.17+2	1.22-2	3.72-8	2.71-52	0.0			
I <sup>129</sup>	8.27-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.39-1	8.36-1	8.04-1
	7.25-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.36-2	7.33-2	7.05-2
I <sup>131</sup>	3.98+7	6.33+0	7.97-7	2.80-61	0.0							
	3.49+6	5.56-1	6.99-8	2.46-62	0.0							
Cs <sup>134</sup>	4.54+6	3.84+6	3.25+6	8.44+5	1.57+5	2.22-1	1.08-8	3.48-67	0.0			
	3.99+5	3.37+5	2.85+5	7.40+4	1.38+4	1.95-2	9.50-10	3.06-68	0.0			
Cs <sup>135</sup>	5.77+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.80+0	5.78+0	5.63+0	4.29+0
	5.06-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.09-1	5.07-1	4.94-1	3.76-1
Cs <sup>137</sup>	2.52+6	2.49+6	2.47+6	2.25+6	2.01+6	8.00+5	2.54+5	2.60+1	2.67-4	0.0		
	2.21+5	2.19+5	2.16+5	1.97+5	1.76+5	7.02+4	2.23+4	2.28+0	2.35-5	0.0		
Ba <sup>137m</sup>	2.37+6	2.33+6	2.31+6	2.10+6	1.87+6	7.48+5	2.37+5	2.43+1	2.50-4	0.0		
	2.08+5	2.05+5	2.02+5	1.84+5	1.64+5	6.56+4	2.08+4	2.13+0	2.19-5	0.0		
Ce <sup>141</sup>	7.17+7	1.48+6	3.02+4	9.08-10	1.14-26	0.0						
	6.29+6	1.29+5	2.65+3	7.96-11	1.00-27	0.0						
Ce <sup>144</sup>	4.29+7	2.75+7	1.76+7	5.00+5	5.84+3	2.00-12	9.37-32	0.0				
	3.76+6	2.41+6	1.55+6	4.39+4	5.12+2	1.76-13	8.22-33	0.0				
Pr <sup>144</sup>	4.37+7	2.75+7	1.76+7	5.00+5	5.84+3	2.00-12	9.37-32	0.0				
	3.83+6	2.41+6	1.55+6	4.39+4	5.12+2	1.76-13	8.22-33	0.0				
Pm <sup>147</sup>	4.26+6	4.01+6	3.51+6	1.22+6	3.25+5	8.28+0	1.50-5	1.73-51	0.0			
	3.73+5	3.52+5	3.08+5	1.07+5	2.85+4	7.27-1	1.32-6	1.52-52	0.0			
Pm <sup>148m</sup>	8.56+6	4.06+5	1.93+4	4.85-7	2.74-20	0.0						
	7.51+5	3.56+4	1.69+3	4.25-8	2.41-21	0.0						
Sm <sup>151</sup>	4.04+3	4.28+3	4.26+3	4.13+3	3.98+3	2.96+3	2.04+3	1.03+2	2.47+0	1.74-29	0.0	
	3.54+2	3.75+2	3.74+2	3.63+2	3.49+2	2.59+2	1.79+2	9.04+0	2.17-1	1.53-30	0.0	
Eu <sup>154</sup>	2.57+5	2.45+5	2.35+5	1.64+5	1.05+5	3.01+3	3.53+1	1.26-14	6.15-34	0.0		
	2.25+4	2.15+4	2.06+4	1.44+4	9.25+3	2.64+2	3.09+0	1.10-15	5.40-35	0.0		
Eu <sup>155</sup>	1.70+5	1.59+5	1.48+5	8.50+4	4.25+4	1.65+2	1.61-1	1.28-25	9.62-56	0.0		
	1.49+4	1.39+4	1.30+4	7.45+3	3.73+3	1.45+1	1.41-2	1.12-26	8.44-57	0.0		
Tb <sup>158</sup>	8.26-1	8.26-1	8.26-1	8.24-1	8.22-1	8.07-1	7.89-1	6.56-1	5.20-1	8.11-3	6.83-21	0.0
	7.25-2	7.25-2	7.24-2	7.23-2	7.21-2	7.08-2	6.92-2	5.75-2	4.56-2	7.11-4	6.00-22	0.0
Total F.P.	7.09+9	1.44+8	7.37+7	1.26+7	7.96+6	2.89+6	9.38+5	1.14+3	5.10+2	4.94+2	3.87+2	8.34+1
	6.22+8	1.26+7	6.47+6	1.10+6	6.98+5	2.53+5	8.23+4	9.97+1	4.48+1	4.33+1	3.39+1	7.31+0

\* Units: Curie      \*\*\* Upper..... for total discharged fuels (11.4 ton H.M.)

\*\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>±b</sup>      Lower..... For unit discharged fuel (1 ton H.M.)

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Table A1.1-9 Radioactivity of Fission Products and Actinide in Spent Fuels and Wastes Annually Discharged from VHTR and HTGR Cores

(i) For VHTR Core

Cooling time	(0 day)	(180 day) 0 year	0.5	1.0	5	10	50	100	500	10 <sup>3</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	10 <sup>6</sup>
Actinide	A	4.29 <sub>6</sub> +6	3.90 <sub>6</sub> +6	3.68 <sub>2</sub> +6	2.92 <sub>5</sub> +6	2.29 <sub>1</sub> +6	4.21 <sub>1</sub> +5	1.57 <sub>9</sub> +5	6.87 <sub>4</sub> +4	3.90 <sub>6</sub> +4	7.43 <sub>9</sub> +3	4.06 <sub>2</sub> +2	5.06 <sub>4</sub> +1
	B	6.48 <sub>9</sub> +5	3.49 <sub>2</sub> +5	2.10 <sub>4</sub> +5	8.11 <sub>7</sub> +4	6.79 <sub>9</sub> +4	2.13 <sub>6</sub> +4	1.04 <sub>9</sub> +4	4.85 <sub>8</sub> +3	3.10 <sub>0</sub> +3	8.84 <sub>1</sub> +2	3.16 <sub>3</sub> +1	6.01 <sub>0</sub> +0
F.P.	A	1.13 <sub>4</sub> +8	6.19 <sub>9</sub> +7	4.31 <sub>9</sub> +7	1.10 <sub>2</sub> +7	7.59 <sub>2</sub> +6	2.79 <sub>0</sub> +6	9.06 <sub>5</sub> +5	1.10 <sub>9</sub> +3	5.09 <sub>5</sub> +2	4.93 <sub>0</sub> +2	3.86 <sub>2</sub> +2	8.35 <sub>3</sub> +1
	B	1.13 <sub>1</sub> +8	6.17 <sub>8</sub> +7	4.29 <sub>8</sub> +7	1.08 <sub>5</sub> +7	7.47 <sub>6</sub> +6	2.78 <sub>1</sub> +6	9.06 <sub>2</sub> +5	1.10 <sub>8</sub> +3	5.09 <sub>4</sub> +2	4.93 <sub>0</sub> +2	3.86 <sub>1</sub> +2	8.34 <sub>5</sub> +1
Total	A	1.17 <sub>7</sub> +8	6.59 <sub>0</sub> +7	4.68 <sub>7</sub> +7	1.39 <sub>4</sub> +7	9.88 <sub>4</sub> +6	3.21 <sub>1</sub> +6	1.06 <sub>4</sub> +6	6.98 <sub>5</sub> +4	3.95 <sub>7</sub> +4	7.93 <sub>2</sub> +3	7.92 <sub>4</sub> +2	1.34 <sub>2</sub> +2
	B	1.13 <sub>8</sub> +8	6.21 <sub>3</sub> +7	4.31 <sub>9</sub> +7	1.09 <sub>4</sub> +7	7.54 <sub>4</sub> +6	2.80 <sub>3</sub> +6	9.16 <sub>7</sub> +5	5.96 <sub>6</sub> +3	3.60 <sub>9</sub> +3	1.37 <sub>7</sub> +3	4.17 <sub>7</sub> +2	8.94 <sub>6</sub> +1

(ii) For HTGR Core

Cooling time	(0 day)	(180 day) 0 year	0.5	1.0	5	10	50	100	500	10 <sup>3</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	10 <sup>6</sup>
Actinide	A	3.85 <sub>4</sub> +6	3.56 <sub>7</sub> +6	3.39 <sub>0</sub> +6	2.71 <sub>6</sub> +6	2.12 <sub>6</sub> +6	3.87 <sub>9</sub> +5	1.45 <sub>0</sub> +5	6.44 <sub>3</sub> +4	3.70 <sub>3</sub> +4	7.59 <sub>6</sub> +3	4.27 <sub>3</sub> +2	4.65 <sub>5</sub> +1
	B	4.41 <sub>9</sub> +5	2.39 <sub>4</sub> +5	1.45 <sub>5</sub> +5	5.77 <sub>7</sub> +4	4.83 <sub>2</sub> +4	1.52 <sub>8</sub> +4	7.68 <sub>5</sub> +3	3.64 <sub>4</sub> +3	2.31 <sub>3</sub> +3	6.49 <sub>2</sub> +2	2.56 <sub>1</sub> +1	6.02 <sub>9</sub> +0
F.P.	A	1.45 <sub>5</sub> +8	7.42 <sub>2</sub> +7	5.02 <sub>2</sub> +7	1.15 <sub>4</sub> +7	7.79 <sub>0</sub> +6	2.85 <sub>6</sub> +6	9.28 <sub>1</sub> +5	1.13 <sub>2</sub> +3	5.10 <sub>3</sub> +2	4.93 <sub>8</sub> +2	3.86 <sub>9</sub> +2	8.33 <sub>8</sub> +1
	B	1.45 <sub>2</sub> +8	7.39 <sub>9</sub> +7	5.00 <sub>0</sub> +7	1.13 <sub>7</sub> +7	7.66 <sub>8</sub> +6	2.84 <sub>6</sub> +6	9.27 <sub>7</sub> +5	1.13 <sub>2</sub> +3	5.10 <sub>3</sub> +2	4.93 <sub>7</sub> +2	3.86 <sub>9</sub> +2	8.33 <sub>0</sub> +1
Total	A	1.49 <sub>3</sub> +8	7.77 <sub>9</sub> +7	5.36 <sub>1</sub> +7	1.42 <sub>5</sub> +7	9.91 <sub>6</sub> +6	3.24 <sub>4</sub> +6	1.07 <sub>3</sub> +6	6.55 <sub>7</sub> +4	3.75 <sub>4</sub> +4	8.09 <sub>0</sub> +3	8.14 <sub>3</sub> +2	1.29 <sub>9</sub> +2
	B	1.45 <sub>7</sub> +8	7.42 <sub>3</sub> +7	5.01 <sub>4</sub> +7	1.14 <sub>3</sub> +7	7.71 <sub>6</sub> +6	2.86 <sub>2</sub> +6	9.35 <sub>4</sub> +5	4.77 <sub>6</sub> +3	2.82 <sub>3</sub> +3	1.14 <sub>3</sub> +3	4.12 <sub>5</sub> +2	8.93 <sub>3</sub> +1

\* Unit : Curie  
 \*\* (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup>  
 \*\*\* Total discharged fuel : 11.4 ton H.M.  
 \*\*\*\* A : spent fuels  
 B : wastes released in reprocessing after 180 days cooling, which consist of 0.1 % of U, 0.3 % of Pu and all the FP excluding 10 % of I and 100 % of Br, Kr and Xe.

Table A1.1-10 Radioactivity of <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C in Fuel Elements and Reactor Cores of HTR's

		Cooling time (Yr)										
		0	0.5	1	5	10	50	10 <sup>2</sup>	10 <sup>3</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	
H <sup>3</sup>	VHTR	In fuel (fission) (Curie/Year)*	1.13 <sub>5</sub> +4	1.10 <sub>3</sub> +4	1.07 <sub>2</sub> +4	8.55 <sub>9</sub> +3	6.45 <sub>5</sub> +3	6.76 <sub>5</sub> +2	4.03 <sub>4</sub> +1	0.0		
		(Curie/ton HM)	9.95 <sub>6</sub> +2	9.67 <sub>5</sub> +2	9.40 <sub>4</sub> +2	7.50 <sub>8</sub> +2	5.66 <sub>2</sub> +2	5.93 <sub>4</sub> +1	3.53 <sub>3</sub> +0	0.0		
		In coolant He ( <sup>3</sup> He) (Curie/kg) In graphite (Imp. <sup>6</sup> Li)** (Curie/ton)	8.46 <sub>7</sub> +2 2.51 <sub>4</sub> +1	8.23 <sub>1</sub> +2 2.44 <sub>4</sub> +1	8.00 <sub>3</sub> +2 2.37 <sub>6</sub> +1	6.38 <sub>8</sub> +2 1.89 <sub>6</sub> +1	4.81 <sub>7</sub> +2 1.43 <sub>0</sub> +1	5.04 <sub>9</sub> +1 1.49 <sub>9</sub> +0	3.01 <sub>1</sub> +0 8.93 <sub>8</sub> -2	0.0 0.0		
C <sup>14</sup>	VHTR	In graphite ( <sup>13</sup> C) (Curie/ton)	6.15 <sub>8</sub> -2	6.15 <sub>7</sub> -2	6.15 <sub>7</sub> -2	6.15 <sub>4</sub> -2	6.15 <sub>0</sub> -2	6.08 <sub>2</sub> -2	5.43 <sub>7</sub> -2	1.77 <sub>3</sub> -2	2.40 <sub>6</sub> -7	
		In graphite ( <sup>14</sup> N)*** (Curie/ton)	5.00 <sub>3</sub> -1	5.00 <sub>3</sub> -1	5.00 <sub>3</sub> -1	5.00 <sub>0</sub> -1	4.99 <sub>7</sub> -1	4.97 <sub>2</sub> -1	4.94 <sub>1</sub> -1	4.41 <sub>8</sub> -1	4.44 <sub>0</sub> -1	1.95 <sub>5</sub> -6
H <sup>3</sup>	HTGR	In fuel (fission) (Curie/Year)*	1.13 <sub>8</sub> +4	1.10 <sub>6</sub> +4	1.07 <sub>5</sub> +4	8.58 <sub>4</sub> +3	6.47 <sub>3</sub> +3	6.78 <sub>4</sub> +2	4.04 <sub>5</sub> +1	0.0		
		(Curie/ton HM)	9.98 <sub>2</sub> +2	9.70 <sub>2</sub> +2	9.43 <sub>0</sub> +2	7.53 <sub>0</sub> +2	5.67 <sub>8</sub> +2	5.95 <sub>1</sub> +1	3.54 <sub>8</sub> +0	0.0		
		In coolant He ( <sup>3</sup> He) (Curie/kg) In graphite (Imp. <sup>6</sup> Li)** (Curie/ton)	8.75 <sub>1</sub> +2 2.53 <sub>1</sub> +1	8.50 <sub>8</sub> +2 2.46 <sub>0</sub> +1	8.27 <sub>2</sub> +2 2.39 <sub>2</sub> +1	6.60 <sub>2</sub> +2 1.90 <sub>9</sub> +1	4.97 <sub>9</sub> +2 1.44 <sub>0</sub> +1	5.21 <sub>8</sub> +1 1.50 <sub>9</sub> +0	3.11 <sub>2</sub> +0 8.99 <sub>8</sub> -2	0.0 0.0		
C <sup>14</sup>	HTGR	In graphite ( <sup>13</sup> C) (Curie/ton)	5.78 <sub>3</sub> -2	5.78 <sub>3</sub> -2	5.78 <sub>2</sub> -2	5.77 <sub>9</sub> -2	5.77 <sub>6</sub> -2	5.74 <sub>7</sub> -2	5.71 <sub>1</sub> -2	5.10 <sub>6</sub> -2	1.66 <sub>5</sub> -2	2.25 <sub>9</sub> -7
		In graphite ( <sup>14</sup> N)*** (Curie/ton)	4.71 <sub>6</sub> -1	4.71 <sub>6</sub> -1	4.71 <sub>6</sub> -1	4.71 <sub>3</sub> -1	4.71 <sub>1</sub> -1	4.68 <sub>7</sub> -1	4.65 <sub>8</sub> -1	4.16 <sub>4</sub> -1	1.35 <sub>8</sub> -1	1.84 <sub>3</sub> -6

\* Total discharged fuels --- 11.4 ton, \*\* Content of impurity, <sup>6</sup>Li in graphite --- 0.1 ppm., \*\*\* Content of impurity, <sup>14</sup>N in graphite --- 30 ppm. (Note)

(1) (a ± b) means a × 10<sup>b</sup> (2) Charged graphite in core --- VHTR 564 ton HTGR 378 ton

(3) Helium weight of 1 m<sup>3</sup> --- 1.75 kg

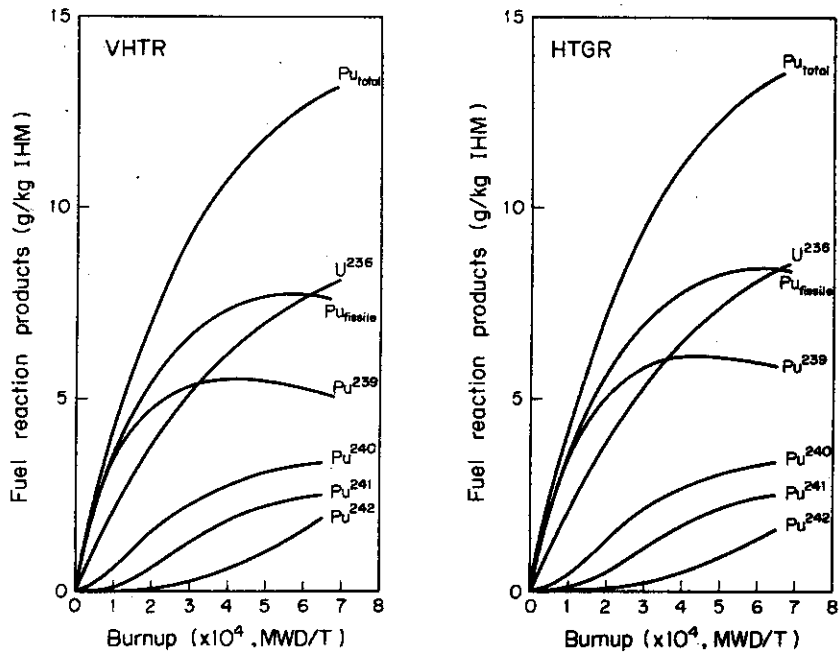


Fig.A1.1-1 Build up of Reaction Products with Fuel Burnup in HTR Cores

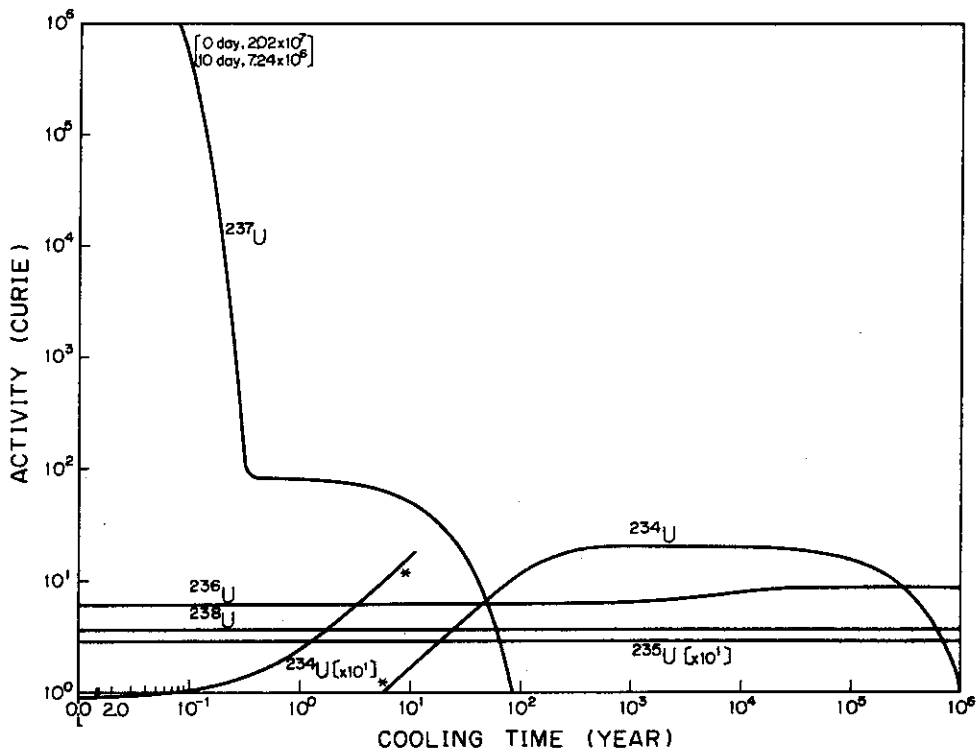


Fig.A1.1-2 Activity of Uranium Isotopes in the Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.



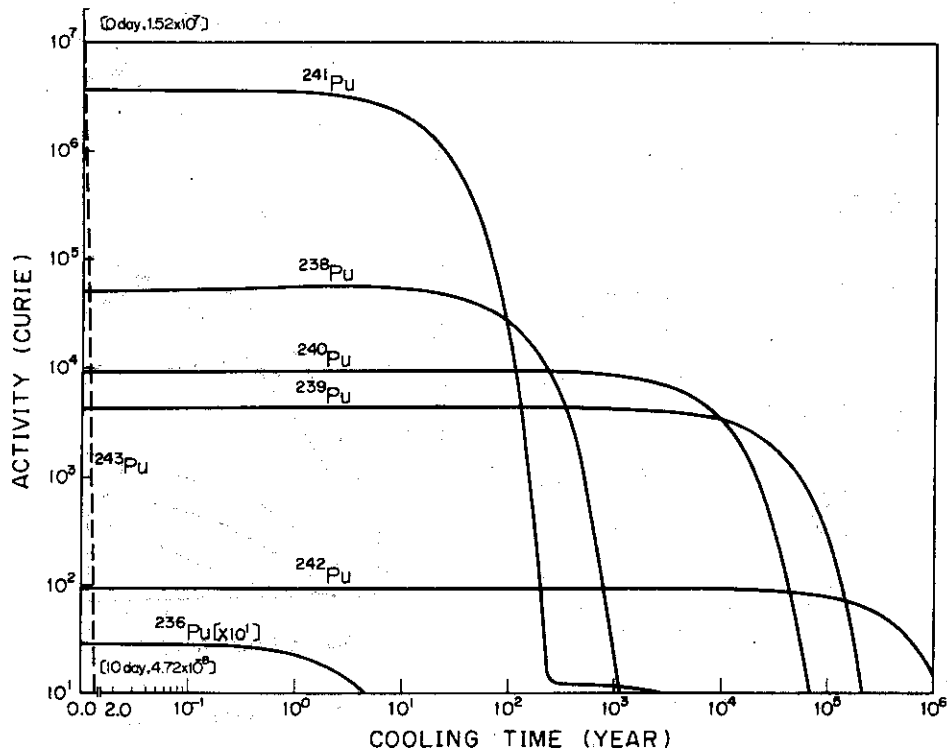


Fig.A1.1-3 Activity of Plutonium Isotopes in the Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.

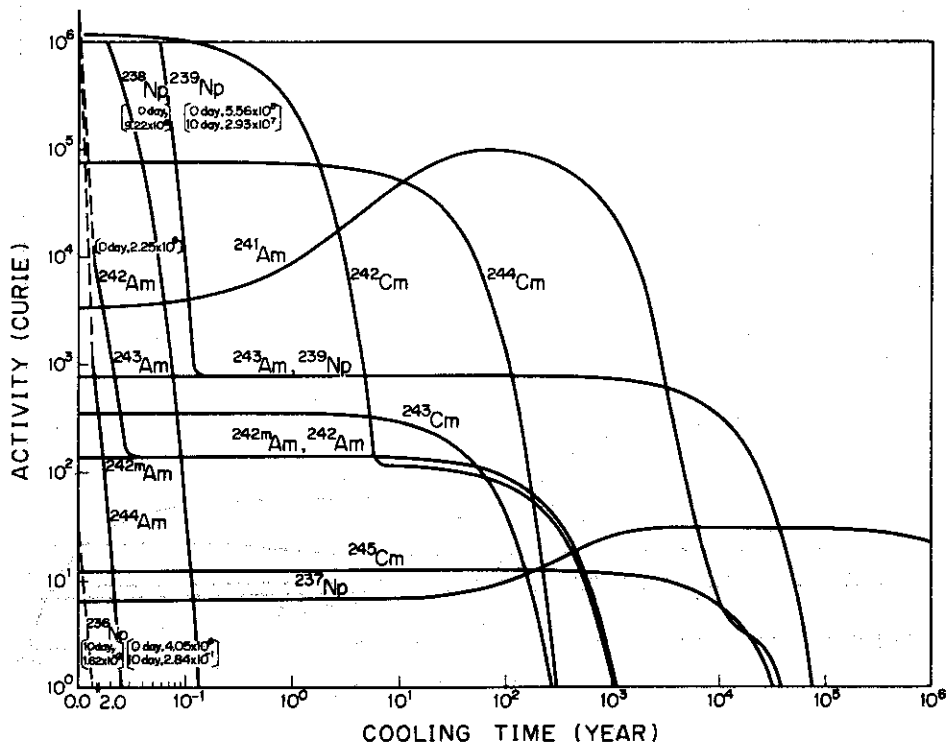


Fig.A1.1-4 Activity of Neptunium, Americium and Curium Isotopes in the Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.

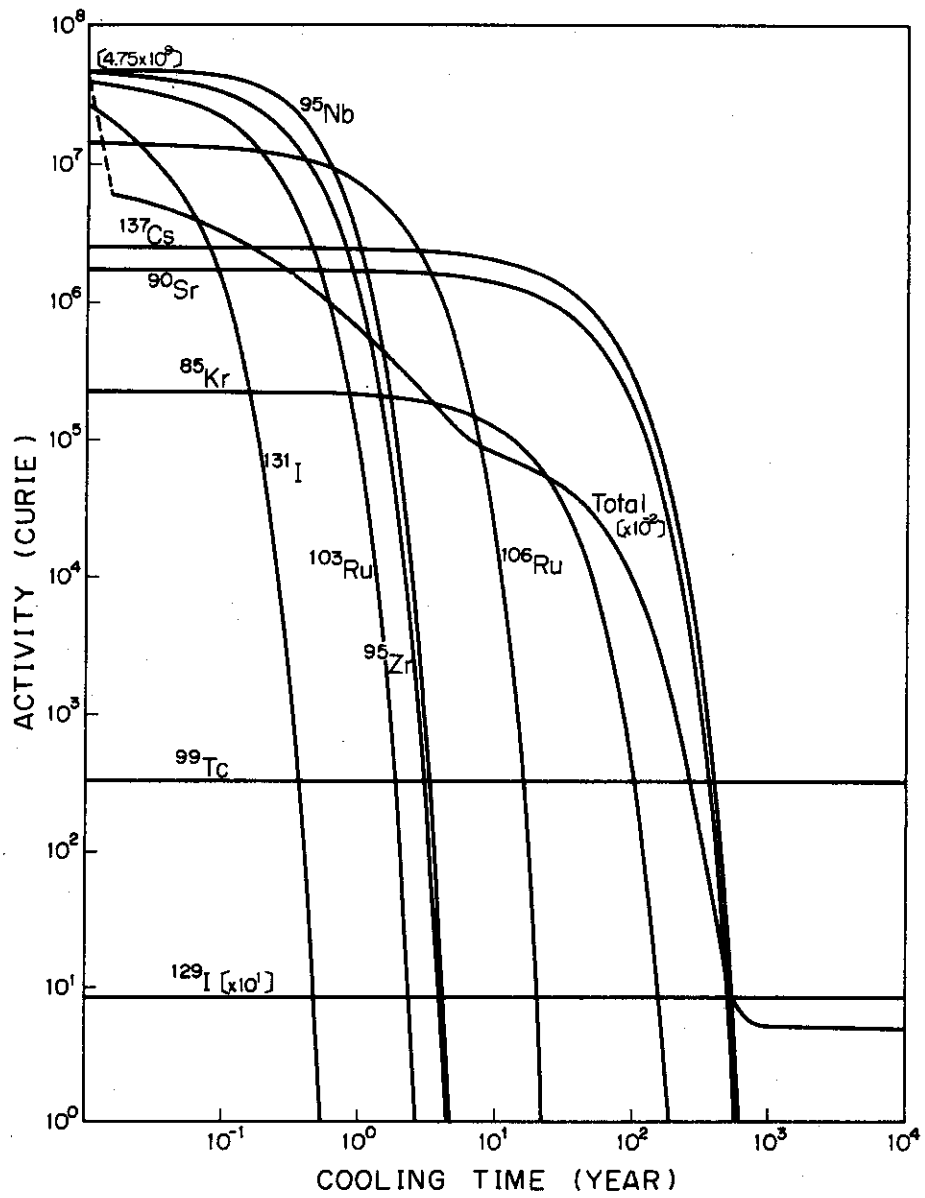


Fig.A1.1-5 Activity of Main Fission Products in the Spent Fuels Annually Discharged from VHTR Core.

## A1.2 Fuel material balance of the mixed uranium and plutonium fuel use in HTR

The fuel material balances were studied to evaluate possibilities of once through plutonium use in VHTR.

The conditions of the analysis are as follows;

- 1)  $N_C/N_{HM}$  400 ~ 600
- 2) Concentration of fissile nuclide in fuel (w/o) 2 ~ 6
- 3) Enrichment of base uranium Natural
- 4) Plutonium composition ( $^{239}\text{Pu}/^{240}\text{Pu}/^{241}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$ ) (w/o)
 

Type A*	59/24/13/4
Type B**	35/30/15/20

(\* From LWR spent fuels, \*\* From HTR spent fuels)

Some results are shown in Table A1.2-1 and Fig.A1.2-1. The main features of the once-through mixed fuel cycle (Pu/U-VHTR) may be summarized as follows;

- 1) The Pu/U-VHTR cycle leads to higher  $N_C/N_{HM}$  and shorter fuel dwelling time than the LEU cycle.
- 2) The use of the plutonium discharged from LWR requires fissile enrichments over 4 w%,  $N_C/N_{HM}$  exceeding 500 and 3~4 batches refueling for VHTR to achieve the current burnup level of LWR fuels. However, the achievement seems to be difficult with the plutonium discharged from HTR.
- 3) The Pu/U-VHTR cycle has some advantages such as no need of separative work and smaller, initial excess reactivity and natural uranium requirements (about 1/10 of LEU cycle), while it requires more plutonium which corresponds to one extracted from the annually discharged fuels of 3~4 LWR's.

It is concluded that the continuous refueling appears to be essential to the positive use of Pu/U in HTR.

Table A1.2-1 Fuel Material Balance in Plutonium  
Fueled VHTR Cores

$N_C/N_U$		500	600
Thermal power	(MW)	3000	3000
Power density	(W/cm <sup>3</sup> )	6	6
Specific power	(W/g)	117	141
Fissile nuclide conc.	(w/o)	6	6
Fuel burnup	(MWD/T)	62500	72200
Fuel dwelling time	(Yr)	2.1	2.0
Conversion ratio		0.54/0.63	0.49/0.62
Initial fuel loading	(t HM)	25.6 <sub>4</sub>	21.2 <sub>8</sub>
Natural uranium	(t HM)	23.7 <sub>4</sub>	19.7 <sub>0</sub>
Plutonium**	(t HM)		
(Fissile)		1.3 <sub>7</sub>	1.1 <sub>4</sub>
(Total )		1.9 <sub>0</sub>	1.5 <sub>8</sub>
Fuel reloading	(t HM)	12.2 <sub>1</sub>	10.6 <sub>4</sub>
Natural uranium	(t HM)	11.3 <sub>0</sub>	9.8 <sub>5</sub>
Plutonium	(t HM)		
(Fissile)		0.65 <sub>2</sub>	0.57 <sub>0</sub>
(Total )		0.90 <sub>5</sub>	0.79 <sub>0</sub>
Fuel discharge	(t HM)		
Uranium	(t HM)	10.8 <sub>2</sub>	9.3 <sub>9</sub>
(fissile nuclide conc. w/o)		(0.37) <sup>***</sup>	(0.29) <sup>***</sup>
Plutonium	(t HM)		
(Fissile)		0.28 <sub>1</sub>	0.16 <sub>8</sub>
(Total )		0.57 <sub>9</sub>	0.42 <sub>6</sub>
Natural uranium requirement			
Initial core	(t HM)	23.7 <sub>4</sub>	19.7 <sub>0</sub>
Annual reload	(t HM)	11.3 <sub>0</sub>	9.8 <sub>5</sub>
30 year cum.	(t HM)	351	305
Plutonium requirement**			
Initial core	(t HM)	1.90(1.37) <sup>***</sup>	1.58(1.14) <sup>***</sup>
Annual reload	(t HM)	0.91(0.65) <sup>***</sup>	0.79(0.57) <sup>***</sup>
30 year cum.	(t HM)	28.3(20.2) <sup>***</sup>	24.5(17.7) <sup>***</sup>

\* Plant factor --- 70 %

\*\*\* Fissile plutonium

\*\* Plutonium from LWR spent fuels

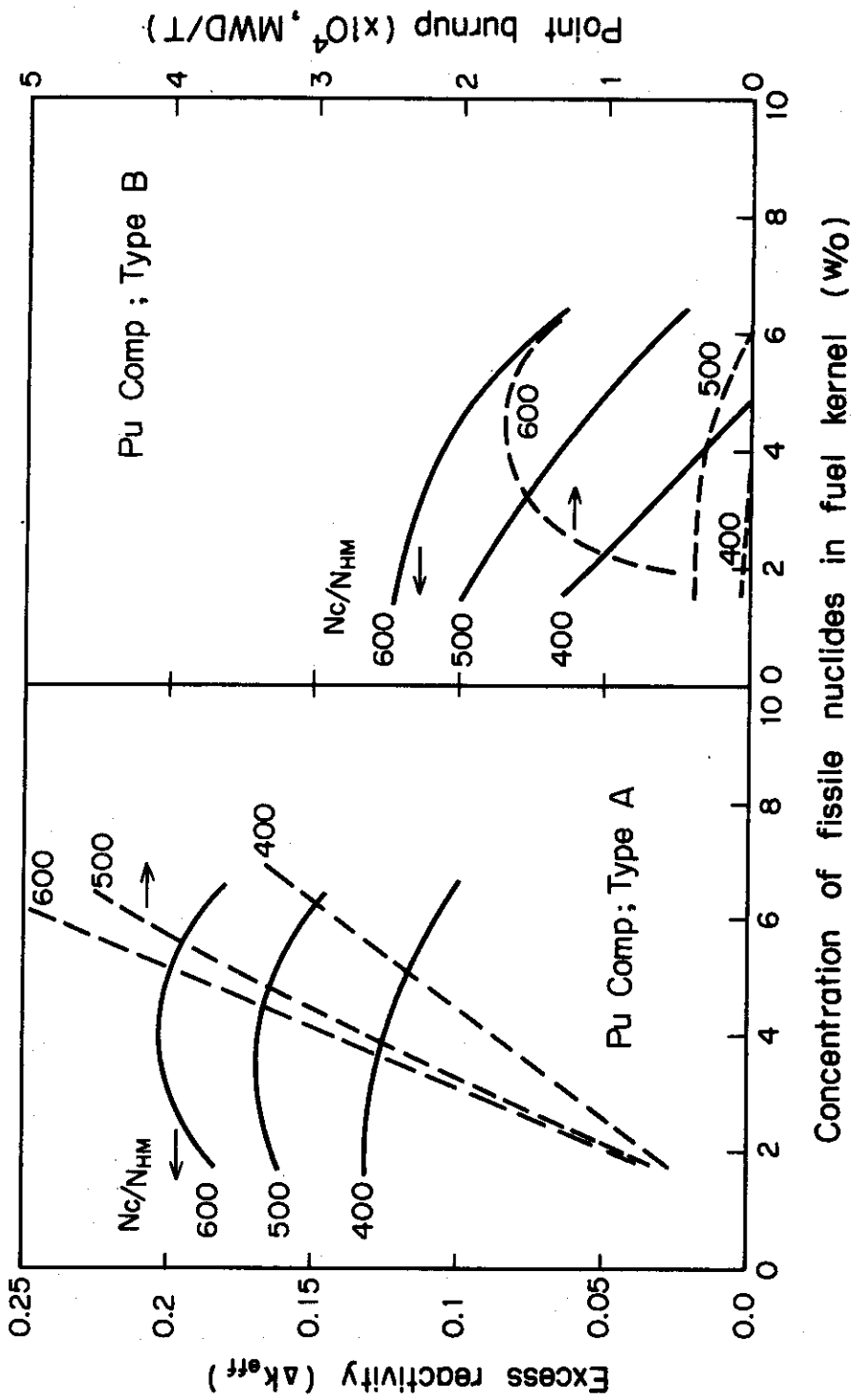


Fig.A1.2-1 Excess Reactivity and Point Burnup for Plutonium Fueled VHTR Cores.

## A2 Fuel reprocessing

For the discussion on chapter 4.3, following tables are preliminarily prepared;

- (1) Table A2-1 Process or operation option in transfer, storage and reprocessing of spent HTR fuel.
- (2) Table A2-2 Distribution of radioactive nuclides assumed for their material balance in VHTR head-end processing.
- (3) Table A2-3 Material balance of head-end process of spent fuel annually discharged from 3000 MW(t) VHTR for longer cooling time, i.e. 10 years and 50 years.

Table A2-1 Process or Operation Option in Transfer, Storage and Reprocessing of Spent HTR Fuel

Fuel cycle step	Process/operation option	Preliminary evaluation of		Technology status	Required R & D
		Technical feasibility <sup>a)</sup>	Proliferation resistance		
Transport	Transport of whole block	NF	- Difficult accessibility and material modifiability, due to radioactive activities, and voluminous and complex fuel configuration	- Conceptual design of cask and transport system - Under safety analysis	- Realization and testing - Safety analysis and evaluation
	Transport of disassembled fuel with reduced volume	FA	- Less difficult than the above option especially in material modifiability	- Conceptual study	- Compact on-site head-end process - Cask selection
Storage	Storage of whole block	NF	- Difficult accessibility and material modifiability due to radioactive activity, and voluminous and complex fuel configuration	- Conceptual design - Under safety analysis	- Demonstration - Safety analysis
	Storage of disassembled fuel with reduced volume	FA	- Less difficult than the above option especially in material modifiability	- Conceptual study	- Design of storage system - Simple disassembling method
	Partial burn by disassembling fuel block	FA	- Easier accessibility due to smaller volume - Difficult facility modifiability	- Conceptual study	- Demonstration of disassembling with irradiated fuel block - Safety disposal method of disassembled fuel graphite
	Whole block burn with air/O <sub>2</sub> and roll crushing of SiC coated particle	NF	- Difficult accessibility due to larger fuel volume and radioactive activity - Difficult facility modifiability	- Cold pilot scale testing	- Demonstration of operability and maintainability - Development of off gas treatment - Safety analysis of voluminous waste
Reprocessing (Headend step only)	Whole block burn with CO <sub>2</sub> and jet grinding of SiC coating	ID	- Difficult accessibility due to larger fuel volume and radioactive activity - Difficult facility modifiability	- Laboratory scale study	- Improvement of burning rate - Optimization of grinding conditions - R & D of burner and jet grinder - R & D of off gas treatment process

a) Note NF : Technology in advanced development stage, realized within 10-15 years

FA : Need further analysis in comparison with the advanced technology

ID : Insufficient data for the evaluation; R/D required

Table A2-2 Distribution of Radioactive Nuclides Assumed for their Material Balance in VHTR Head-end Processing

Distribution Nuclides	Head-end processing				Dissolution and purification	
	Volatilization fraction to off gas system	Collected as off gas waste	Released to environment as airborne waste	With dismantled graphite	With SIC hulls	As HLW g)
Volatile fission products						
<sup>3</sup> H	1.00 b)	0.99 b)	0.01 b)	1.00 c)	0	0
<sup>14</sup> C	1.00 b)	0.99 b)	0.01 b)	1.00 c)	0	0
<sup>85</sup> Kr	1.00	0.99	0.01	0	0	0
<sup>129</sup> I	1.00	0.999	10 <sup>-3</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>131</sup> I	1.00	0.999	10 <sup>-3</sup>	0	0	0
Semi volatile fission products d)	0.10	0.10	10 <sup>-8</sup>	0	0.01 f)	0.89
Particulates e)	0.001	0.001	10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	—	—
Non volatile fission products	—	—	—	0	0.01 f)	0.989
Uranium total	0.001	0.001	10 <sup>-8</sup>	0	0.005 f)	0.005
Plutonium total	0.001	0.001	10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	0.005 f)	0.01
Other actinides	0.001	0.001	10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	0.005 f)	0.995

a) Values are fraction of total amount in spent fuel except <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C.  
 b) Fraction of total amounts in sleeve, compact and coated particle.  
 c) Fraction of total amounts in block graphite.  
 d) Includes nuclides of Cs, Ru, Sb and Ce only.  
 e) Refers airborne nuclides of non-volatile fission products and actinides.  
 f) Refers insoluble residues  
 g) Assumes zero release of LLW and LLW.



Table A2-3(A) Material Balance of Head-end Process for Spent Fuel Annually Discharged from 3000 MW(t) VHTR after 10 Year Cooling

Stream <sup>d)</sup> Composition	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	⑦
	Feed SF	Dissolved solution	Dismantled graphite	Decomposed graphite	SIC hull	Waste from off gas cleaning	Release to environment
Actinide	kg 11,400 Ci $2.35 \times 10^6$	11,343 $2.34 \times 10^6$	a) a)	b) 47 b)	45.6 $9.4 \times 10^3$	11.4 $2.35 \times 10^3$	$1.14 \times 10^{-4}$ $2.25 \times 10^{-3}$
Fission product	kg 790 Ci $7.76 \times 10^6$	622 $7.32 \times 10^6$	a) a)	b) b)	7.9 $7.62 \times 10^4$	35 $3.5 \times 10^5$	125 $1.2 \times 10^3$
Graphite	kg 215,170	—	147,300	67,870	—	—	—
Others	kg 3,570 (SIC, O <sub>2</sub> )	—	—	—	1,930 (SIC)	—	1,640 (O <sub>2</sub> )
Total mass	kg 230,930	11,965	147,300	67,870	1,984	40.4	1,760
Total radio-activities	Ci $1.01 \times 10^7$	$9.66 \times 10^6$	$2.11 \times 10^3$	47	$8.56 \times 10^4$	$3.50 \times 10^5$	$1.2 \times 10^3$
Major composition							
Actinide							
U total	kg 11,220	11,164	—	b)	44.9	11.22	$1.12 \times 10^{-4}$
U fissile	kg 157	156.2	—	b)	0.628	0.157	$1.57 \times 10^{-6}$
Pu total	kg 148.5	146.1	—	b)	0.578	0.147	$1.49 \times 10^{-7}$
Pu fissile	kg 83.4	83	—	b)	0.334	0.0834	$8.34 \times 10^{-8}$
Np total	kg 9.35	9.48	—	b)	$3.8 \times 10^{-2}$	$9.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.5 \times 10^{-9}$
Am total	kg 18.48	18.39	—	b)	$7.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.85 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-8}$
Cm total	kg 0.7	0.697	—	b)	$2.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$7 \times 10^{-4}$	$7 \times 10^{-10}$
Volatiles FP's							
H-3	Ci $9.76 \times 10^3$	$7.66 \times 10^1$	$2.1 \times 10^3$	—	—	$7.58 \times 10^3$	$(7.66 \times 10^1)$
C-14	Ci $1.30 \times 10^2$	—	$8.25 \times 10^1$	$4.66 \times 10^1$	—	—	$4.71 \times 10^{-1}$
Kr-85	Ci $1.20 \times 10^5$	—	—	—	—	—	$1.2 \times 10^3$
I-129	Ci $8.55 \times 10^{-1}$	—	—	—	—	—	$8.55 \times 10^{-4}$
I-131	Ci —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-volatile FP's							
Sr-90, Y-90	Ci $2.73 \times 10^6$	$2.7 \times 10^6$	—	b)	$2.73 \times 10^4$	—	$2.18 \times 10^{-2}$
Zr-95	Ci $7.83 \times 10^{-10}$	$7.74 \times 10^{-10}$	—	b)	$7.83 \times 10^{-12}$	—	(Semi volatiles)
Nb-95	Ci $1.69 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.67 \times 10^{-9}$	—	b)	$1.69 \times 10^{-11}$	—	(Semi volatiles)
Ru-103, Rh-103	Ci $1.88 \times 10^{-20}$	$1.67 \times 10^{-20}$	—	b)	$1.88 \times 10^{-22}$	—	—
Ru-106, Rh-106	Ci $1.45 \times 10^4$	$1.29 \times 10^4$	—	b)	$1.45 \times 10^2$	—	$5.44 \times 10^{-3}$
Cs-137	Ci $1.99 \times 10^6$	$1.77 \times 10^6$	—	b)	$1.99 \times 10^4$	—	(Particulates)

a) Activities due to impurities other than N<sub>2</sub> and I<sub>i</sub> are not included.  
 b) Calculated assuming that decomposed graphite is not contaminated with actinides and FP's.  
 c) Chemicals and corrosion products are not included.  
 d) Circled numbers correspond to streams shown in Fig.4-4.

Table A2-3(B) Material Balance of Head-end Process for Spent Fuel Annually Discharged from 3000 MW(t) VHTR after 50 Year Cooling

Stream <sup>d)</sup> Composition	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	⑦
	Feed SF	Dissolved solution	Dismantled graphite	Decomposed graphite	SIC hull	Waste from off gas cleaning	Release to environment
Actinide	kg 11,400 Ci 4.27×10 <sup>5</sup>	11,343 4.25×10 <sup>5</sup>	— <sup>a)</sup> — <sup>a)</sup>	— <sup>b)</sup> 47 b)	45.6 1.71×10 <sup>3</sup>	11.4 4.27×10 <sup>2</sup>	1.12×10 <sup>-4</sup> 4.27×10 <sup>-4</sup>
Fission product	kg 790 Ci 2.82×10 <sup>6</sup>	622 2.70×10 <sup>6</sup>	— <sup>a)</sup> (2.21×10 <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>a)</sup>	— <sup>b)</sup> — <sup>b)</sup>	7.9 1.84×10 <sup>4</sup>	35 9.15×10 <sup>4</sup>	125 9.99×10 <sup>1</sup>
Graphite	kg 215,170	—	147,300	67,870	—	0	0
Others	kg 3,570 (SIC, O <sub>2</sub> )	—	—	—	1,930 (SIC)	—	1,640 (O <sub>2</sub> )
Total mass	kg 230,930	11,965	147,300	67,870	1,984	46.4	1,760
Total radio-activities	Ci 3.23×10 <sup>6</sup>	3.18×10 <sup>6</sup>	(2.21×10 <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>a)</sup>	—	2.01×10 <sup>4</sup>	9.19×10 <sup>4</sup>	9.99×10 <sup>1</sup>
Major composition							
Actinide							
U total	kg 11,220	11,164	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	44.8	11.22	1.12×10 <sup>-4</sup>
U fissile	kg 157	156.2	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	0.628	0.157	1.57×10 <sup>-6</sup>
Pu total	kg 131	130.3	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	0.524	0.131	1.31×10 <sup>-7</sup>
Pu fissile	kg 66.4	66.1	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	0.266	0.064	6.64×10 <sup>-9</sup>
Np total	kg 11.01	10.95	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	4.4×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.1×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.1×10 <sup>-8</sup>
Am total	kg 33.95	33.78	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	1.4×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.4×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.4×10 <sup>-8</sup>
Cm total	kg 0.21	0.20	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	8.4×10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.1×10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.1×10 <sup>-10</sup>
Volatile FP's							
H-3	Ci 1.02×10 <sup>3</sup>	8.03	2.2×10 <sup>2</sup>	—	—	7.95×10 <sup>2</sup>	(8.03)
C-14	Ci 1.29×10 <sup>2</sup>	—	8.21×10 <sup>1</sup>	4.64×10 <sup>1</sup>	—	—	4.96×10 <sup>-1</sup>
Kr-85	Ci 9.14×10 <sup>3</sup>	—	—	—	—	9.05×10 <sup>2</sup>	9.14×10 <sup>1</sup>
I-129	Ci 8.55×10 <sup>-1</sup>	—	—	—	—	8.55×10 <sup>-1</sup>	8.55×10 <sup>-4</sup>
I-131	Ci —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-volatile FP's							
Sr-90, Y-90	Ci 1.05×10 <sup>6</sup>	—	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	1.05×10 <sup>4</sup>	7.96×10 <sup>4</sup>	7.96×10 <sup>-3</sup>
Zr-95	Ci —	—	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	—	—	(Semi volatiles)
Nb-95	Ci —	—	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	—	—	—
Ru-103, Rh-103	Ci —	—	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	—	—	—
Ru-106, Rh-106	Ci 3.24×10 <sup>-8</sup>	2.88×10 <sup>-8</sup>	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	3.24×10 <sup>-10</sup>	2.01×10 <sup>3</sup>	2.01×10 <sup>-3</sup>
Cs-137	Ci 7.96×10 <sup>5</sup>	7.08×10 <sup>5</sup>	—	— <sup>b)</sup>	7.96×10 <sup>3</sup>	—	(Particulates)

a) Activities due to impurities other than N<sub>2</sub> and Li are not included.  
 b) Calculated assuming that decomposed graphite is not contaminated with actinides and FP's.  
 c) Chemicals and corrosion products are not included.  
 d) Circled numbers correspond to streams shown in Fig.4-4.

### A3 Waste management

For reference, the amounts of volatile fission products such as Kr, Br, Xe and I in spent fuels were estimated as a function of cooling time, as shown in Table A3-1.

Table A 3-1 Volatile Waste from VHTR Fuel Cycle

Time Item Element	0.5 year				1.0 year				5.0 year			
	Atom Number ( $122T_{HM}$ ) <sup>-1</sup>	Weight kg/ $T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $122T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $T_{HM}$	Atom Number ( $122T_{HM}$ ) <sup>-1</sup>	Weight kg/ $T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $122T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $T_{HM}$	Atom Number ( $122T_{HM}$ ) <sup>-1</sup>	Weight kg/ $T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $122T_{HM}$	Activity Ci/ $T_{HM}$
Kr-78	0.211E+14		0.0	-	0.211E+14		0.0	-	0.211E+14		0.0	-
Kr-80	0.379E+20		0.0	-	0.379E+20		0.0	-	0.379E+20		0.0	-
Kr-81	0.470E+15		0.133E-08	-	0.470E+15		0.133E-08	-	0.470E+15		0.133E-08	-
Kr-82	0.273E+23	3.04×10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.0	-	0.273E+23	3.04×10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.0	-	0.273E+23	3.04×10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.0	-
Kr-83m	0.406E+16		0.133E+02	9.26×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.105E+04		0.295E-11	-	0.108E-47		0.303E-64	-
Kr-83	0.867E+25	9.80×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.867E+25	9.80×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.867E+25	9.80×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-
Kr-84	0.156E+26	1.78×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.156E+26	1.78×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.156E+26	1.78×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-
Kr-85	0.402E+25	4.65×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.222E+06	1.82×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.218E+25	2.52×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.120E+06	9.84×10 <sup>3</sup>	0.165E+24	1.91×10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.914E+04	7.49×10 <sup>2</sup>
Kr-86	0.289E+26	3.38×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.289E+26	3.38×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.289E+26	3.38×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-
		6.61×10 <sup>-1</sup>		1.82×10 <sup>4</sup>		6.40×10 <sup>-1</sup>		9.84×10 <sup>3</sup>		6.16×10 <sup>-1</sup>		7.49×10 <sup>2</sup>
				~0		4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>		0.0		4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>		0.0
Br-79	0.132E+20		0.0	-	0.934E+20		0.0	-	0.431E+21		0.0	-
Br-81	0.370E+25	4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.370E+25	4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.370E+25	4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-
Br-82	0.429E-17		0.631E-33	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
		4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>		~0		4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>		0.0		4.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>		0.0
I-125	0.494E+15		0.179E-02	-	0.157E-02		0.571E-20	-	0.0		0.0	-
I-126	0.313E+14		0.521E-03	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
I-127	0.626E+25	1.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.635E+25	1.10×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.635E+25	1.10×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-
I-129	0.230E+26	4.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.855E+00	7.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.230E+26	4.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.855E-00	7.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.230E+26	4.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.855E+00	7.01×10 <sup>2</sup>
I-131	0.159E+18		0.427E+01	3.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
I-132	0.213E+06		0.485E-09	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
I-133	0.954E-40		0.239E-55	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
		5.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>		4.20×10 <sup>-1</sup>		5.14×10 <sup>-1</sup>		7.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>		5.14×10 <sup>-1</sup>		7.01×10 <sup>2</sup>
Xe-126	0.107E+20		0.0	-	0.107E+20		0.0	-	0.107E+20		0.0	-
Xe-127	0.587E+12		0.350E-05	-	0.120E-16		0.715E-34	-	0.0		0.0	-
Xe-128	0.302E+24	5.26×10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.0	-	0.302E+24	5.26×10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.0	-	0.302E+24	5.26×10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.0	-
Xe-129m	0.172E+09		0.465E-08	-	0.131E-08		0.830E-26	-	0.0		0.0	-
Xe-129	0.162E+19		0.0	-	0.111E+20		0.0	-	0.510E+20		0.0	-
Xe-130	0.894E+24	1.58×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.894E+24	1.58×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-	0.894E+24	1.58×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.0	-
Xe-131m	0.267E-21		0.463E-37	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
Xe-131	0.473E+26	8.44×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.473E+26	8.44×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-	0.473E+26	8.44×10 <sup>-1</sup>	0.0	-
Xe-132	0.112E+27	2.01×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.112E+27	2.01×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.112E+27	2.01×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-
Xe-133m	0.134E-01		0.128E-17	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
Xe-133	0.635E+14		0.261E-02	-	0.0		0.0	-	0.0		0.0	-
Xe-134	0.150E+27	2.74×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.150E+27	2.74×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.150E+27	2.74×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-
Xe-136	0.245E+27	4.54×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.245E+27	4.54×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-	0.245E+27	4.54×10 <sup>0</sup>	0.0	-
		1.01×10 <sup>1</sup>		~0		1.01×10 <sup>1</sup>		0.0		1.01×10 <sup>1</sup>		0.0
Total		1.13×10 <sup>1</sup>		1.82×10 <sup>4</sup>		1.13×10 <sup>1</sup>		9.84×10 <sup>3</sup>		1.13×10 <sup>1</sup>		7.49×10 <sup>2</sup>