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WP.17, TASK 5

“Loading curves, ILW mass limits and optimization”
Kick-off meeting



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SUMMARY

- **General information**
- **Objectives**
- **Task efforts**
- **Description of activities (with deliverables)**
- **List of deliverables and Milestones**
- **Questions for today's meeting**

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Project start: October 1st, 2024**
- **Duration**
 - **Total:** 60 months (5 years)
 - **First phase** Approved 24 months (2 years)
 - **Second phase** To be approved
- **Implication: ratio of 0.4 applied to all PMs from the Grant Agreement (24/60=0.4)**
- **Task 5 leader:** PSI (Dimitri Rochman)
- **Task 5 co-leader:** PURAM (Peter Buday)
- **Start:** month 1
- **End:** month 60
- **Effort:**
 - **EU countries:** 72 PM (5 years) 28.8 PM (2 years)
 - **Associated countries (CH and UK)** 27.75 PM (5 years)
 - **SNL and PNNL (USA)** 2 PM (5 years)

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Task 5 partners

- **Subtask 5.1:**
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 - GRS (F. Sommer, R. Kilger)
 - CIEMAT (F. Álvarez)
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 - BGE (A. Göbel, F. Voigts, C. Herold)
 - GSL (T. Hicks, T. Baldwin, C. Elridge, N. Al-Abidah)*
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 - PSI (D. Rochman, A. Vasiliev, M. Frankl)
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 - NWS (T. Harris, L. Payne)
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- **Subtask 5.2:**
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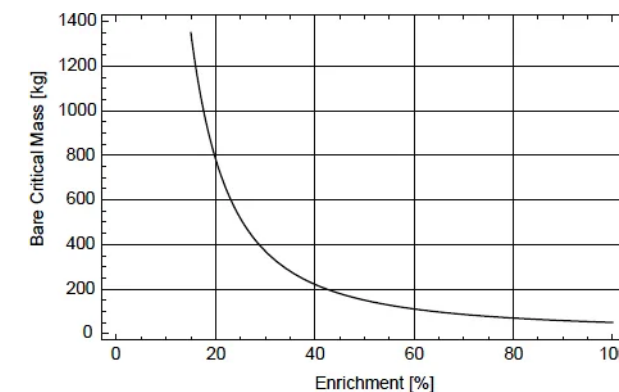
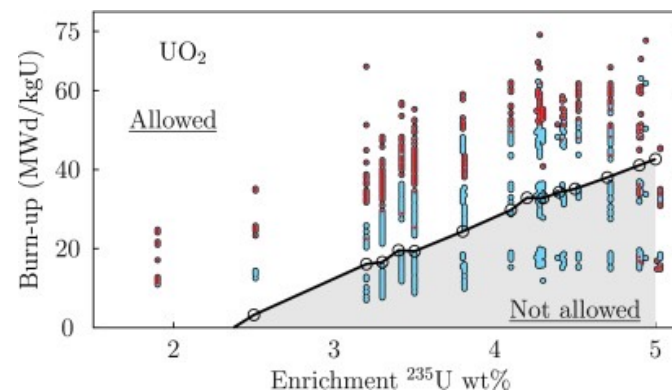
- **Subtask 5.3:**
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OBJECTIVES

- **Task 5: Development of methodologies for the « assessment of post-closure criticality scenario »**

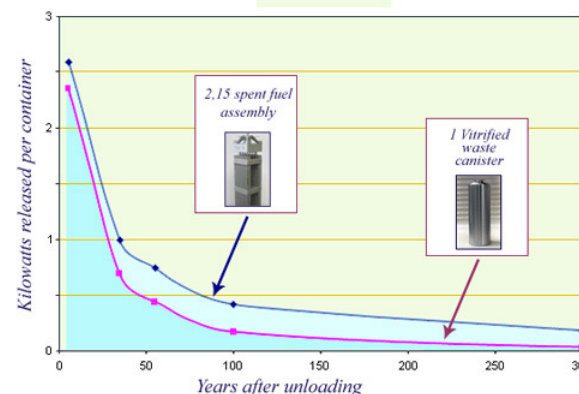
1. Improve the modelling understanding for the development of

1. « loading curves » and
2. ILW mass limits



2. Study the optimization of canisters, ILW packages and engineered barrier designs

1. Decay heat
2. Criticality



https://radioactivity.eu.com/articles/radioactive_waste/spent_fuel_heat

TASK 5 EFFORTS

- **For EU countries: a total of 28.8 PM are assigned for the first 2 years**
 - See the emails sent by me to subtask participants on October 18.
 - Number of PMs decided for each institute, **but not** the distribution in subtask (to be decided by us)
- **For non-EU associated countries: 27.75 PM are assigned for the first 2 years**
 - See the emails sent by me to subtask participants on October 18.
 - Number of PMs decided for each institute, **and** a distribution in subtask is given in the Grant Agreement
- **For US (SNL and PNNL): 2 PM are assigned**
 - See the emails sent by me to subtask participants on October 18.
 - Number of PMs decided for each institute, **but not** the distribution in subtask (to be decided by us)

TASK 5 EFFORTS

Brief description (to trigger later discussions and brain storming)

- **Subtask 5.1**
 - Loading curves
- **Subtask 5.2**
 - ILW fissile mass limits
- **Subtask 5.3**
 - Optimization

Some details to be discussed today

TASK 5 DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

No deliverables and milestones within the task 5, but

- **Participation in D1 (lead by ANDRA) SOTA**
- **Participation in D2 (lead by SKB) Gap analysis**
- **Possibly other ones**

QUESTIONS FOR TODAY'S MEETING

How to organize the subtasks ?

- Different goals/interests from participants (based on survey by email, see next slide)
- See proposal on next slides
- (subtask leader, focussing on specific subjects) ?

How to present Task 5 results ?

- Conference contributions (which ones)
- Journal papers (which subject)

ANSWERS TO EMAIL'S QUESTIONS

Partner number	Organisation	subtask	Comments
1	ANDRA	5.1	2nd Priority: how we derive waste acceptance criteria for SF
		5.2	1st Priority. support:, provide information
		5.3	2nd Priority: suport: implication of "optimisation" for scenarios
2	VTT	5.1	1st Priority. Model comparison, but no model development.
3	GRS	5.1	1st Priority
		5.2	2nd Priority
		5.3	3rd Priority
4	CIEMAT	5.1	1st Priority: Optimization gallery space/length
		5.2	2nd Priority: Start the work on ILW (not considered until now)
5	CVUT	5.1	1st Priority: CS assemssment for VVER fuel
6	ENRESA	5.1	1st Priority: Review of the method of LC ; Technical: sensitvity
		5.2	Waste from dismanteling
7	JSI	5.1, 5.2	Technical work, CS fuel from Krsko
8	LEI	5.1, 5.2, 5.3	review and technical work, following task 4
9	PURAM	5.1, 5.2	Lead, review and technical work
10	SKB	5.1	1st Priority: LC, Share info and perform tehcnical work
11	Tractebel	5.1, 5.3	Share knowledge: depletion analysis + technical work
12	SSTC NRS	5.1, 5.2	Understanding approach and method
		5.3	Preparation of the future
13	BGE	5.1	Technical: LC
		5.2	Technical: mass limit derivation
14	NWS	5.1, 5.3	Support
		5.2	
15	GSL	5.1	Review how WMO derive LC
		5.2	Review of the UK approach
		5.3	To be seen
16	Jacobs /Amentum	5.1, 5.3	Support
		5.2	
17	Nagra	5.1, 5.3	
18	PSI	5.1	Lead, review and technical work
19	Sandia Labs.		
20	PNNL	5.1	

Different interests and proposals

- Technical work
- Review of methods
- Support

Need to find a common approach

- LC derivation
- Canister sensitivity/optimization
- ILW mass limits

PROPOSED PLAN, TO BE DISCUSSED

Given the diversity of interest, the following logical approach to the subtask is proposed:

For subtasks 5.1 and 5.3:

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| 1. Start from an existing canister model (e.g. WPNCS SG13) | month 6 (March 2025) |
| 2. Perform a sensitivity study for criticality (e.g., dimensions, materials, impurities) | months 7-12 (April-Sept. 2025) |
| 3. Update the canister model definition and report | months 13-15 (Oct-Dec. 2025) |
| 4. Perform loading curve calculations (e.g. following the WPNCS SG13 approach) | months 16-28 (Jan.-Dec 2026) |
| 5. Report | |

For subtasks 5.2:

1. Possibly to be done next
2. Or do it in parallel by different partners



GOAL OF TODAY'S MEETING

- Review the presented plan
- Possibly adjust
- Agree or propose a new plan
- Different ideas ?