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IAEA-HOTLAB PIE Database - Use and Management

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Purpose of Presentation



- To promote IAEA activities on databases related to nuclear fuel cycle facilities;
- To clarify the process for the use and modification of the PIE database.

INFCIS (Integrated Nuclear Fuel Cycle Information System)



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NFCIS

UDEPO

ThDEPO

PIE

NFCSS

MADB

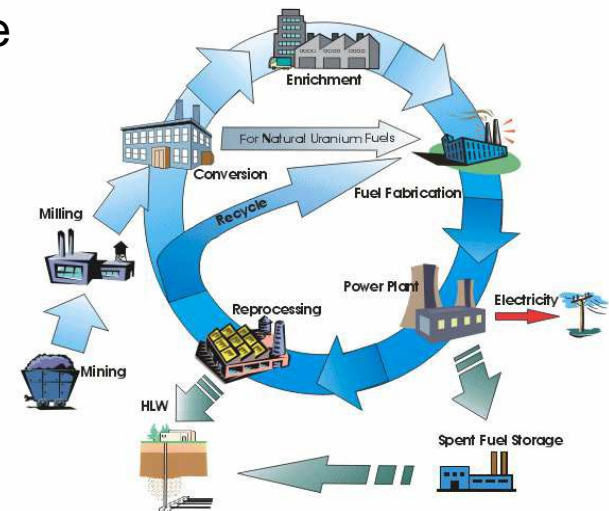
Projects

- Designed as "one stop" resource for technical and statistical information about nuclear fuel cycle activities worldwide:

<http://inficis.iaea.org>

- Includes:

- World Distribution of Uranium Deposits Database (UDEPO),
- World Thorium Deposits and Resources (ThDEPO),
- Nuclear Fuel Cycle Information System (NFCIS),
- **Post Irradiation Examination Facilities Database (PIE),**
- Minor Actinide Property Database (MADB)
- Nuclear Fuel Cycle Simulation System (NFCSS).



PIE Database – Why & How?



- To provide worldwide information on hot cell facilities for their efficient use under the circumstance of a large demand for fuel surveillance program, new material development, isotopes production, various nuclear applications, etc.
- IAEA's CRP to develop a PIE facilities catalogue (1996)
- Conversion of the catalogue into a database, and update through questionnaire distributed to Member States (2002/2003)
- HOTLAB project started under the 6th Euratom Framework Program (2004)
- Incorporation of the IAEA's database in INFCIS for on-line editing option
- HOTLAB Working Group opened to non-European countries (2007)
- Intergradation of HOTLAB PIE & transport casks catalogues in the IAEA PIE database (2007/2008)

PIE Database - Overview



POST IRRADIATION EXAMINATION FACILITIES DATABASE

NFCIS

UDEPO

ThDEPO

PIE

NFCSS

MADB

Projects

About

Facilities

Casks

Admin Page

User Management

- Catalogue of PIE facilities (42) + Casks (21)
- Each facility data includes tabs of:
 - General & cell characteristics
 - Acceptance information
 - Available NDE, DE and other techniques
 - Availability of rod re-fabrication & instrumentation
 - Available Storage and conditioning capabilities
 - Reference documents.
- All above information can be downloaded as a pdf file.

Example: Facilities

List of PIE Facilities

Technique	Technique Topics	Country	<input type="button" value="Filter"/>	<input type="button" value="Reset"/>
Any	Any	All		

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Country	Facility Name	#-of-DE Techniques	#-of-NDE Techniques
Argentina	CELCA	3	4
Belgium	LHMA - Laboratory for High and Medium Activity - SCK-CEN, Belgium	25	9
Belgium	SCK-CEN - Chemical and Radiochemical Measurements	3	2
Brazil	CTMSP - Hot Cell Pilot Laboratory	2	5
Canada	Chalk River Laboratories, AECL	16	7

PIE Facility Report



LHMA - Laboratory for High and Medium Activity - SCK-CEN, Belgium

- General & Cell Charac.
- Acceptance Info.
- Techniques
- Refabrication & Instrumentation
- Storage & Conditioning
- Reference Documents

General

Facility Name	LHMA - Laboratory for High and Medium Activity - SCK-CEN, Belgium	IAEA Ref #	1-PIE
Country	Belgium	Last Update	2009
Address	SCK-CEN / LHMA, Boeretang 200, B-2400 Mol Belgium aa		
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Second Contact Person	Dr. S. Van den Berghe		
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Web Address	http://www.sckcen.be	(Please notify us if you can not reach this web address!)	
Additional Information	http://www.sckcen.be/en/Our-Research/Research-facilities/LHMA-Laboratory-for-High-and-Medium-Activity		

Example: Facilities - Cont'd



General & Cell Charac. **Acceptance**

General

Facility Name

Country

Address

Contact Person

Second Contact Person

Phone

Email

Web Address

Additional Information

Cell Characteristics

Purpose

Gamma Activity Limit (Concrete) (TBq)

Gamma Activity Limit (Steel) (TBq)

Gamma Activity Limit (Lead) (TBq)

Cell Atmosphere

Largest Cell Width (m)

Largest Cell Length (m)

Largest Cell Height (m)

Acceptance Information

Acceptance Type	Rods and plates	Acceptance Condition	Dry
Transfer Mode	Horizontal		
Maximum Cask Weight (t)	28	Maximum Cask Length (m)	6
Max. Fissile Enrichment (%)	no limit	Max. Fissile Weight (kg)	
Failed Rod Acceptance	Yes	Protective Tube	No
Accepted Casks			
Comment			

Available Techniques

Technique	
TEM	Clad Creep Testing
Visual Examination	Inner Clad Inspection
X-ray Diffraction	Micro Hardness Testing
XPS	Length and Diameter
Retained gas measurement	Gamma Activity measurements
Optical Microscopy	Eddy Current Testing
SEM	Oxide Thickness
Image Analysis	X-Radiography
EPMA	Non-destructive Gas Release
Alpha-Beta Autoradiography	Other (Destructive Fission Gas Release measurement)
Density	Gas mass spectrometry
Open Porosity	Fracture Mechanic Testing
Tensile Testing	
Tube Burst Testing	

Example: Facilities - Cont'd

Refabrication and Instrumentation

Refabrication Available?	Yes	Desc.	Max Rodlet Length, m: 1.5 A segment is cutted, the end pieces are defueled and cleaned and end caps are welded - whether or not equipped with sensors including a centerline thermocouple in which case a central hole is drilled in the fuel prior to the end cap weldings.
Instrumentation Available?	Yes	Desc.	Centerline thermocouple in which case a central hole is drilled in the fuel prior to the end cap weldings.
References			

Storage and Conditioning

Intermediate Storage	Yes	Desc.	In hot-cell (18 rods) / at BR2 storage pool.
Encapsulation for Reinsertion	Yes	Desc.	In guide tubes & with quality controls.
Encapsulation for Other	Yes	Desc.	For long term intermediate storage.
Connection to Reprocessing	No	Desc.	Cogema (France)
Connection to Long Term Storage	Yes	Desc.	NIRAS/ONDRAF - Belgium Institute for Nuclear Waste and Fissile Material
References			

Example: Casks



List of Casks

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Cask Type ▲	Cask Provider ▼
AGNES Cask	LA CALHENE
BG 18	TRANSNUBEL
Croft GB2767B	CROFT
Croft GB2825A	CROFT
CTB	CEA
IR 500	CEA
IU 25	CEA
NCS 45	NUCLEAR CARGO + SERVICE GmbH
PADIRAC RD15IIB	LA CALHENE

General

Cask Type	Transportation Mode
Provider	
Purpose	
Classification	Loading Mode
Type of Loads	
Licensing	

Accessories

Packaging Characteristics	Technical Support
	References
	Contact

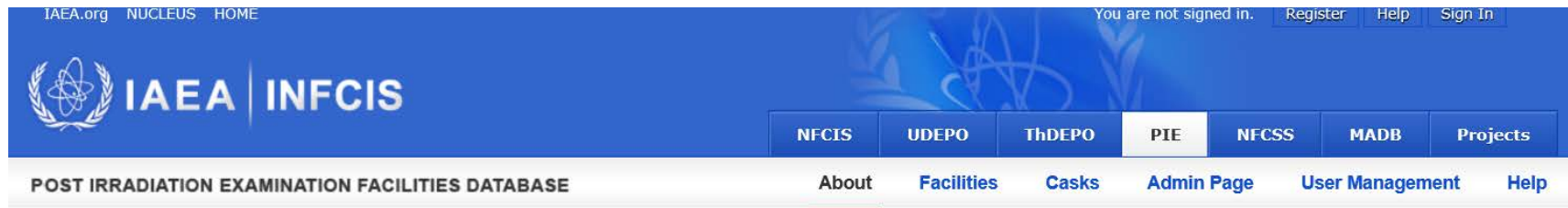
Content Characteristics

Specific Characteristics	Documents
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How to Access



1. Sign in the IAEA's portal site named **NUCLEUS** (<https://www.iaea.org/resources/databases/nucleus>)
 - Registration to NUCLUS is necessary;
 - For help send email to k.s.sim@iaea.org
2. Go to **INFCIS home page** or <https://infcis.iaea.org/>, then click



3. Click PIE and find data from the menu: FACILITIES, CASKS
4. To modify the data or add a new one, click ADMIN PAGE

How to Modify

List of PIE Facilities in Admin Page









[Add New Facility](#)

[Edit Casks](#)

[Administrative Manual](#)

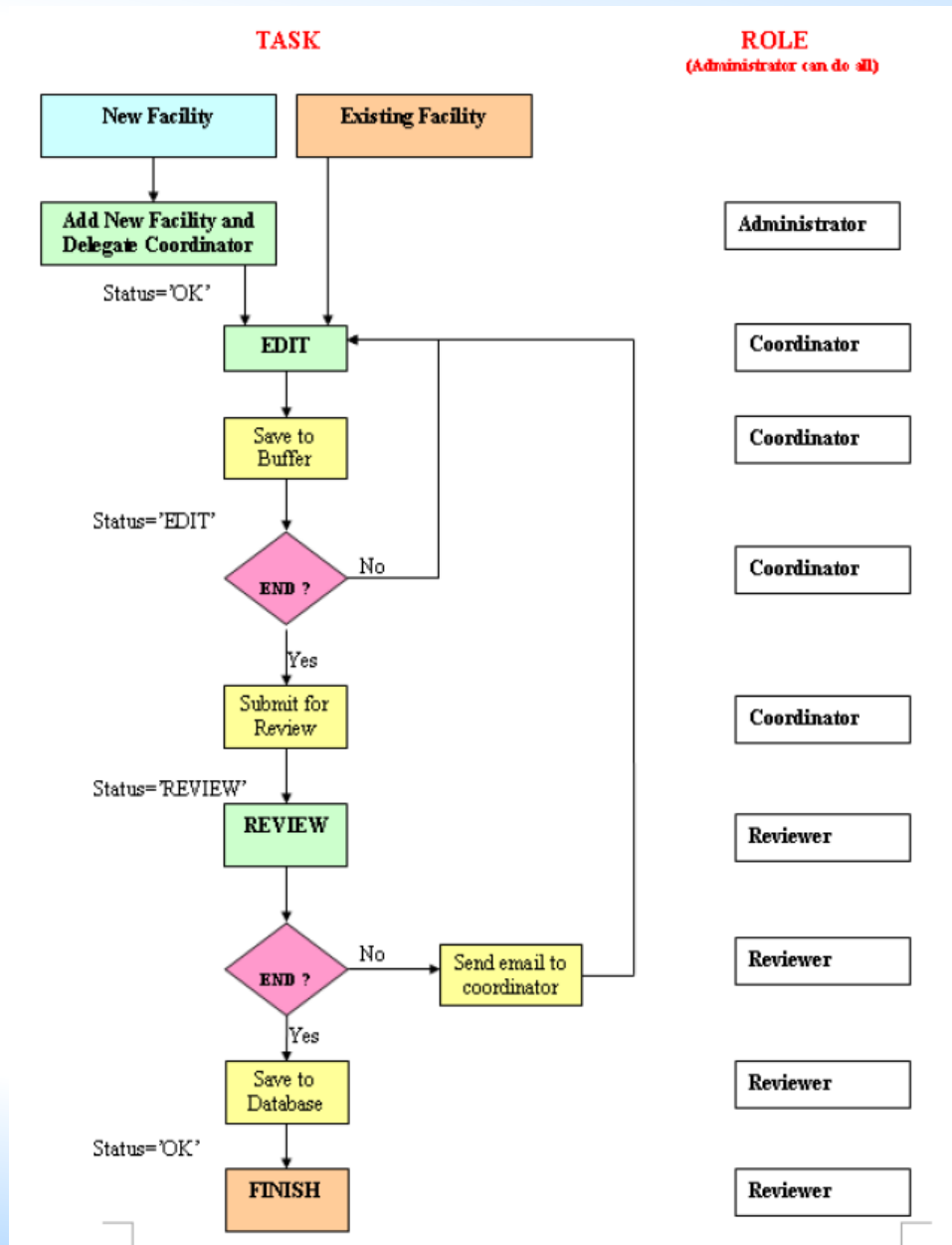
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Facility Name	Country	Publish?	Operation	Data Status
AREVA NP GmbH NTCRH-G Hot Cells	Germany	Yes		 OK
ATALANTE-alpha workshop, lab., analyses, transuraniens, reprocessing studies	France	Yes		 OK
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre - PIE Division	India	Yes		 EDIT
Canadian Nuclear Laboratories	Canada	Yes		 REVIEW

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Steps for Data Modification





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