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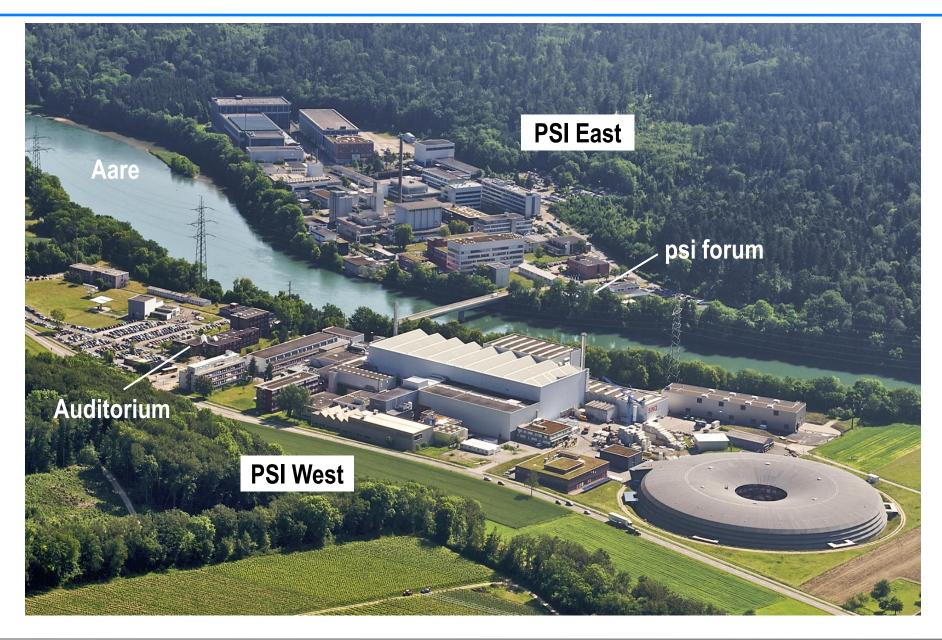
Waste, Generated in a Hotlab

a General View

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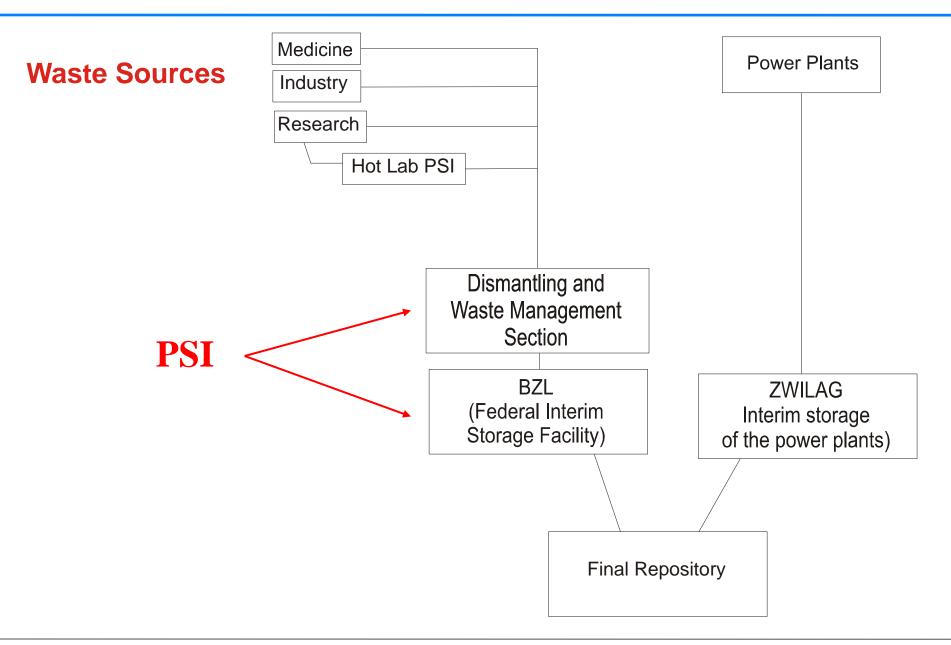
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Origin of Waste and Waste Management in Switzerland





Basic Laws

Radiation Protection Act issued March 22nd 1991, rev. January 1st 2007

Radiation Protection Ordinance issued June 22nd 1994, rev. January 1st 2012

Nuclear Energy Act issued March 21st 2003, rev. January 1st 2009

Nuclear Energy Ordinance issued December 10th 2004, rev. May 1st 2012

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Basic Principles

Radiation Protection Act:

Radioactive waste has to be minimized, Radioactive waste has to be disposed inside the country, The waste producer is responsible for the costs.

Radiation Protection Ordinance:

Book keeping
Decay Storage
waste collection
responsible authorities,
i.e. Federal Nuclear Safety Inspectorate (ENSI) – nuclear installations

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Basic Principles

Nuclear Energy Act:

Radioactive waste after being collected and stored at PSI, Waste treatment installations are nuclear installations, Radioactive waste has to be minimized, Radioactive waste has to be disposed inside the country,

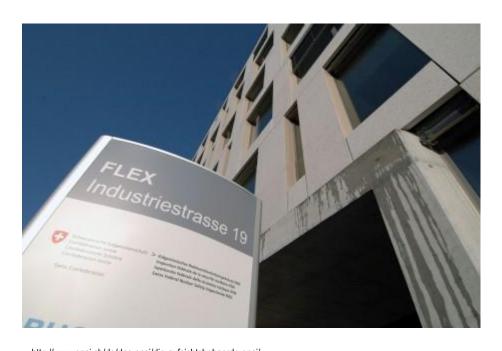
Nuclear Energy Ordinance:

In addition to the act, minimization is requested, Radioactive waste has to be categorized, Free release Measurement Conditioning – approval by the authority (ENSI)



Waste management facilities are defined as nuclear installations

The Swiss Nuclear Safety Inspectorate is the responsible authority for PSI.



http://www.ensi.ch/de/das-ensi/die-aufsichtsbehoerde-ensi/

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Quality Assurance

QM-system ISO/IEC 17020 and EN/ISO 9001

Guidelines of the Swiss Federal Nuclear Safety Inspectorate:

- B-05 conditioning
- G-04 interim storage

Radioactive Waste has to be solidified in cement/concrete

Pressure strength well above 10 MPa Maximal leaching rate has to be respected

Specification:

contents (waste, materials, nuclides) with guaranteed limits production procedure construction transportation – according to ADR

Final disposer (NAGRA) – certificate for final storage Based on specification and certificate we get the permit for production by the ENSI.



Burnable waste collected in transparent bags

Compactable waste collected in 100-l-drums

Waste containing substantial amounts of Pu-isotopes collected in 20-l-drums

Highly active waste from fuel investigations collected small cans

Aqueous waste collected in a transfer tank

Waste from special investigations (Megapie)

Bulky goods

Inactive Waste

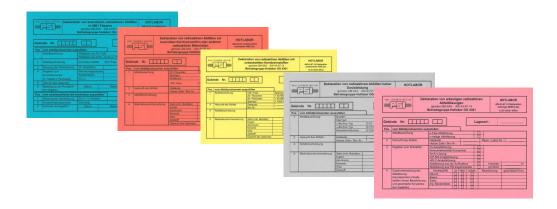
=> Waste containing fuel is checked in the Hotlab by a segmented γ-scanner, the nuclide vector is calculated based on the Cs-137 value



Hotlab Procedure

According to its properties the waste is sorted by the waste producer (Hotlab) and declared on coloured cards.

The colour code reflects the nuclear and chemical properties of the waste



The declared and packed waste is stored in the Hotlab facility until it is handed over to the Dismantling and Waste Management Section of PSI.

At the Waste Management Section the waste is conditioned and stored in the federal interim storage facility at PSI.



Example of a Declaration Card

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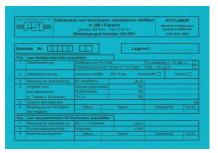
Burnable waste:

Restricted to 30 kBq/drum Pu and 30 µSv/h In transparent waste packs
Separation of halogen containing waste
Declaration with a **blue** card



Path:

Incineration at the ZWILAG



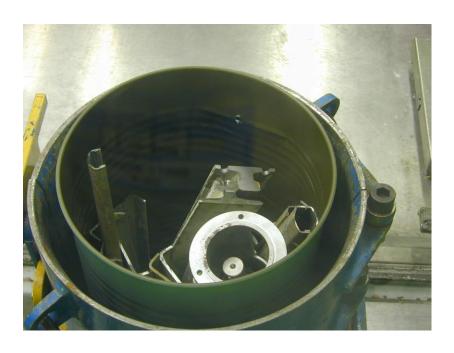




Compactable waste:

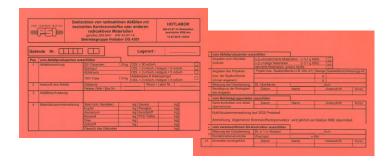
Dose rate > 30 µSv/h but < 2 mSv/h
Burnable and non-burnable waste has to separated
Bulky material has to be cut to lay horizotally in a 100-ldrum

Declaration with an orange card



Path:

Compaction by means of a 120-t-compactor in the was treatment facility







Waste containing substantial amounts of Puisotopes:

Compactable waste collected in 20-l-drums
Non-irradiated Pu-containing waste
Declared with a **yellow** card
and waste with a dose rate < 50 mSv/h
Declared with an **orange** card

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Path:

To be presented by J. Müth,

"Conditioning of Pu-containing radioactive waste generated in the Hotlab: implementation of an







Highly active waste from fuel investigations:

From PIE

Dose rate > 50 mSv/h

Declared with a gray card



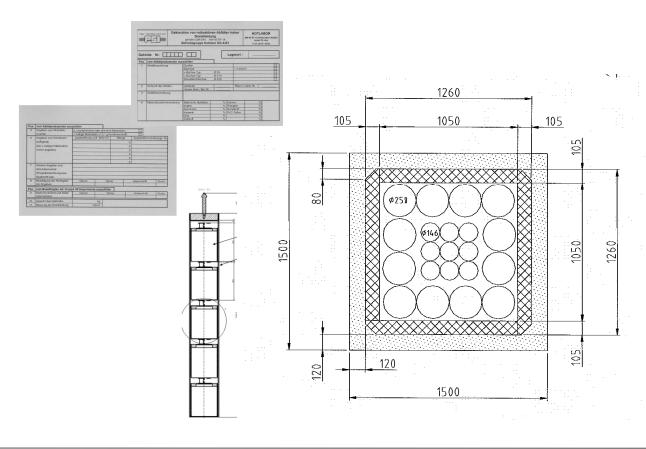
Collected in a hot cell,

Compacted in steel cans in a hot cell

Placed in a concrete container (KC-T12)

Stored in the Federal Interim Storage Facility (BZL)







Bulky goods:

Contamination < 1000 reference values (rv)
Pu-contaminated, declaration with a **yellow** card
Dose rate < 2mSv/h, declared with an **orange** card

Path:

To be cut in the waste treatment facility, sorted and conditioned



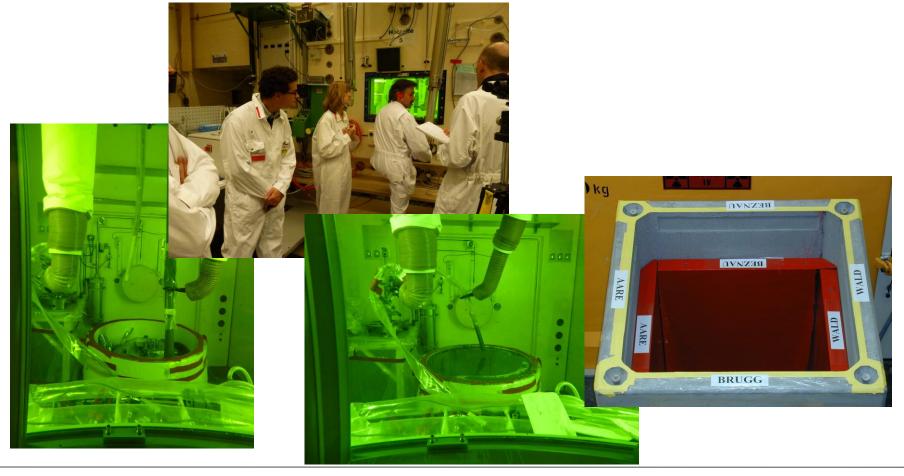


Special waste:

Stemming from unique research programs using dedicated Hotlab equipments

f.e. MEGAPIE

Conditioning in hot-cells and in collaboration between the Hotlab and the waste management section, using concrete containers as waste packages



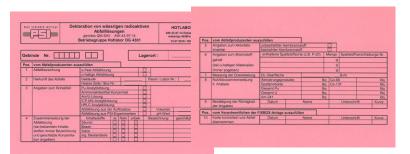


Aqueous waste:

Containing HNO₃, Pu-isotopes, Am-241, fission products declared with a **pink** card

Path:

Solidified with concrete, imbedded in concrete containers











Waste Treatment Facility

- sorting
- incineration
- •solidification with cement, homogeneously miscible waste
- •imbedding in concrete, irregular solid waste200-l-drums, 4.5-m³- concrete containers
- compaction
- •gas tight welding volatile, air polluting (H-3, C-14, Ra-226)
- •Free release measurement







Interim Storage

Final closure
Weight determination
Dose rate measurement
Measurement of the gamma emitters
Final check of guaranteed values

Transfer to the interim storage facility







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Example of a Declaration (Data Base)

Individuelle Einzeldokumentation (L-1)

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Selte 1

Formular-Nr: L-P- Betrelber-Nr: F-B1 Elgentûmer: PSI	008149 058	Typ: Bezeichnung:	J-P-002045	AGT8/ Fixt	ox 1B Sogefibre C2K
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1	P-U-BRENNSTOFF ALS METALL	Angabe laut K-Buch Hotlabor				J
2	P-U-NICHTBRENNSTOFF ALS METALL	Angabe laut K-Buch Hotlabor				J
3	P-PU-BRENNSTOFF ALS METALL	Angabe laut K-Buch Hotlabor				J
4	P-PU-NICHTBRENNSTO, ALS METALL	Angabe laut K-Buch Hotlabor				J

Test	Elgensohaft	Bemerkung zu Test	Einheit	Wert	Rel	Garantie	Тур	
1	P-SAEUREKONZ. I.O.?	A-P-2000	J-1/N-0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
2	P-SALZANTEIL I.O.?	A-P-2000	J-1/N-0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
3	P-NUKLIDGRENZWERTE I.O.	A-P-2000 (Werte <= Garantie)	J=1/N=0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
4	P-AUSHAERTEZEIT LO.?	C-P-2000 (>=30 Tage)	J-1/N-0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
5	P-AUSHAERTUNG MANIPULATOR	C-P-2000 (nicht verformbar)	J=1/N=0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
6	P-WASSER UEBERSTEHEND	C-P-2000 (trocken =0)	J-1/N-0	0.000E+00	-	0.000E+00	J	
7	P-NUKLIDGRENZWERTE LO.	H-P-2000 (Werte <= Garantie)	J=1/N=0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
8	P-PROTOKOLLE HOTLABOR	PBD's vollständig	J=1/N=0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
9	P-EINGANGSKONTROLLE CBF2K	D-P-2050 gem. PSI-Spez. 2.4	J=1/N=0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
10	P-ANZAHL FLASCHEN/GEBINDE	H-P-2000 in I-P-2045	-	1.750E+02	-	1.750E+02	J	
11	-DOSISLEISTUNG OM GAMMA	J-P-2045	Swh		-	2.000E-03	J	
12	-DOSISLEISTUNG OM GAMMX	J-P-2045	Swh		-	5.000E-03	J	
13	-DOSISLEISTUNG 0M N	J-P-2045	Swh	1.900E-08	-	3.000E-06	J	
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15	-OBERFL.KONT. BETA/GAMMA	J-P-2045	Bg/cm2	0.000E+00	-	3.000E+00	J	
16	P-NAGELPROBE	J-P-2045	J-1/N-0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
17	P-WASSER UEBERSTEHEND	J-P-2045 (trocken =0)	J=1/N=0	0.000E+00	-	0.000E+00	J	
18	P-AUSHAERTEZEIT LO.?	J-P-2045 (>= 30 Tage)	J-1/N-0	1.000E+00	-	1.000E+00	J	
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U-238 -092	1.3E+06 <	= 6.6E+07		J
Np-237 -093	0.0E+00 <	= 1.1E+09		J
Pu-238 -094	4.5E+10 <	= 6.1E+11		J

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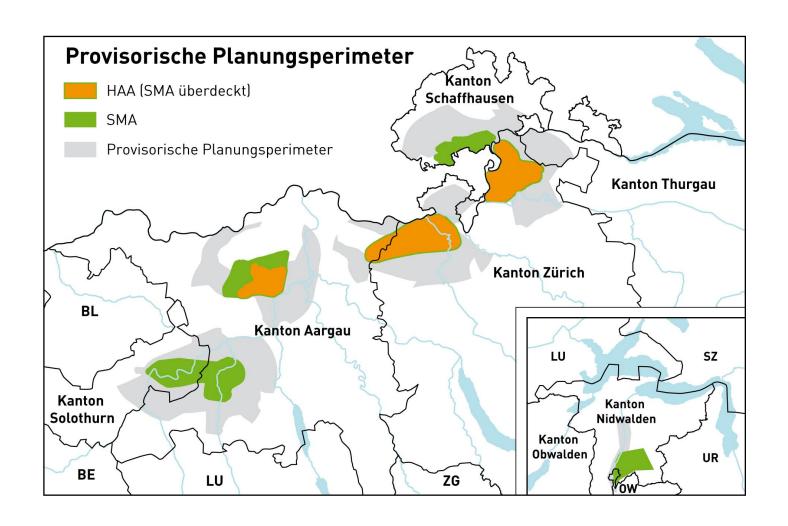
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Pu-240 -094	1.3E+10	<= 3.0E+11		J
Pu-241 -094	4.7E+11	<= 4.1E+13		J
Pu-242 -094	1.5E+07	<= 4.6E+08		J
Am-241 -095	3.0E+10	<= 6.6E+11		J
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BG-999-998			Für zusätzi. bg-Strahler	J

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Final Disposal?





Final Remark

- Divers waste streams from research, development and service
- Sorted according to an established system
- A close cooperation between waste producer and waste manager necessary
- Challenging chemistry versus radiotoxic α-emitters
- Different point of view between waste producers (research, development and service)
 and waste managers due to different targets
- Short term for research results versus
 long term for the safe enclosure of radioactive waste



Thank you for your attention



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