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SANDA WP5 Status Report

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Recall

■ WP5 objectives

- Perform impact studies and S/U analyses, analyze experiments, in order to relate (JEFF) ND improvements to end-user needs for selected applications
- Performing new validation experiments in existing experimental facilities

■ Practical goal

- Focus on *selected* nuclear data and a *selection* of nuclear systems for which significant pre-design work has already been done
- Get reliable estimates of ND errors and uncertainties for selected nuclides-reactions → JEFF4 needs and work plan
- Assess impact on selected nuclear systems (reactors and fuel cycles) → End-user needs + missing experiments

Tasks

- **T5.1 – Sens. analyses, impact studies, unc./corr. estimates, expected gains**

Selected systems: ESFR/ASTRID, MYRRHA, JHR, adv. LWRs, MSRs, waste...

- **T5.2 – Validation studies for the above applications, by performing analyses of available relevant integral expts. and inferring trends in nuclear data**

Relevant experiments from IRPhE, ICSBEP, SINBAD, SFCOMPO,...

- **T5.3 – New validation experiments and needs for new integral data**

Experiments in selected existing facilities : GELINA, LR-0, TAPIRO

Tasks, Subtasks, Partners, Deliverables

| | Tasks / Subtasks | Partners | Deliverables |
|--------|--|--|-----------------|
| T5.1 | Impact studies, sensitivity analyses, and assessment of needs | CIEMAT, CEA/DEN, CNRS/LPSC, SCK-CEN, JSI, KIT, UPM, IRSN | |
| T5.1.1 | Impact studies and sensitivity analyses | | M24 |
| T5.1.2 | Assessment of (JEFF) nuclear data needs | | M36 (milestone) |
| T5.2 | Validation studies (using existing expts) | UPM, CEA/DEN, CIEMAT, JSI, KIT, NRG, IRSN | |
| T5.2.1 | Assessing correlations in integral expts. | | M36 |
| T5.2.2 | C/E validation and trends | | M42, M48 |
| T5.3 | New integral experiments | CEA/DEN, CVREZ, ENEA, JRC | |
| T5.3.1 | Experiments at GELINA | | M42 |
| T5.3.2 | Experiments at LR-0 | | M42, M48 |
| T5.3.3 | Experiments at TAPIRO | | M42 |

- D.5.1 Report on sensitivity analysis methods; CIEMAT, LPSC, UPM, CEA; M24
 - D.5.2 Report on ESFR, MYRRHA, and ALFRED sensitivity and impact studies; SCK, CEA, UPM; M24
 - D.5.3 Report on JHR sensitivity and impact study; CEA; M24
 - D.5.4 Report on HLW sensitivity and impact study; KIT; M24
 - D.5.5 Report on assessment of nuclear data needs; CEA, CIEMAT, UPM, SCK, KIT; M36
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- T1
 - D.5.6 Report on correlations between integral experiments; CIEMAT, JSI, CEA, UPM; M30
 - D.5.7 Report on reactor and shielding C/E validation and nuclear data trends; UPM, JSI, CEA; M42
 - D.5.8 Report on critical benchmark C/E validation and nuclear data trends; NRG, IRSN; M42
 - D.5.9 Report on C/E validation and nuclear data trends; UPM, CEA, JSI, NRG, IRSN; M48
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- T2
 - D.5.10 Report on experiments at JRC Geel using MINERVE samples; CEA; M42
 - D.5.11 Report on integral experiments at LR-0; CVREZ, CEA; M42
 - D.5.12 Report on integral experiments at TAPIRO; ENEA, CEA; M42
 - D.5.13 Report on new integral experiments and needs; CEA, JRC, CVREZ, ENEA; M48
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- T3

M42/48

The first partner listed for each deliverable is the responsible for the deliverable.

T5.1 Status

- **T5.1.1 – Sensitivity analyses, impact studies, unc./corr. estimates:** completed with delays

Studies performed for selected systems: ESFR, ASTRID, MYRRHA, ALFRED, JHR, waste storage

D5.1 – Report on sensitivity analysis methods: M24 + 2 months  

D5.2 – Report on ESFR, MYRRHA, ALFRED sensitivity studies: M24+14 m.  

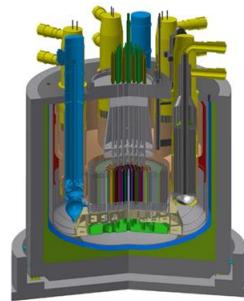
D5.3 – Report on JHR sensitivity and impact study: M24 + 14 months  

D5.4 – Report on HLW sensitivity and impact study: M24 + 14 months  

- **T5.1.2 – Assessment of (JEFF) nuclear data needs:** ongoing, delayed

D5.5 – Synthesis of Subtask 5.1.1 findings (M5.1): M36 + 9 months  

T5.1 Status



| Reactor | Response | Target accuracy (OECD/NEA WPEC SG46) | Uncertainty [%] | | |
|---------|-----------------|--|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| | | | 33g Sensitivities | 33g JEFF-3.3 COV | |
| ESFR | k-eff | 0.3% | 1.04 | ± | 2.5E-04 |
| | Coolant density | 5% | 25.69 | ± | 1.2E-01 |
| | Doppler+300K | 5% | 4.25 | ± | 5.4E-01 |
| | Doppler-300K | 5% | 4.00 | ± | 5.0E-01 |
| | Control | 3% | 1.96 | ± | 1.1E-02 |
| ASTRID | k-eff | 0.3 | 0.97 | ± | 2.0E-04 |
| | Coolant density | 5% | 15.78 | ± | 5.2E-02 |
| ALFRED | k-eff | 0.435% | 0.88 | ± | 1.6E-04 |
| | Coolant density | 5% | 6.82 | ± | 2.7E-01 |
| | Doppler+300K | 5% | 6.91 | ± | 6.2E-01 |
| | Doppler-300K | 5% | 3.57 | ± | 3.3E-01 |

T5.2 Status

■ T5.2.1 – Assessing correlations in integral experiments: still ongoing, delayed

Relevant experiments from IRPhE, ICSBEP, SINBAD, SFCOMPO,... analysed:
sodium void, Doppler, iron shield, neutron absorbers, depleted fuel inventory...

Importance of different types of uncertainties and (missing) correlations studied

D5.6 – Report on correlations between integral expts: M30 + 12 months  

■ T5.2.2 – C/E validation and trends: ongoing

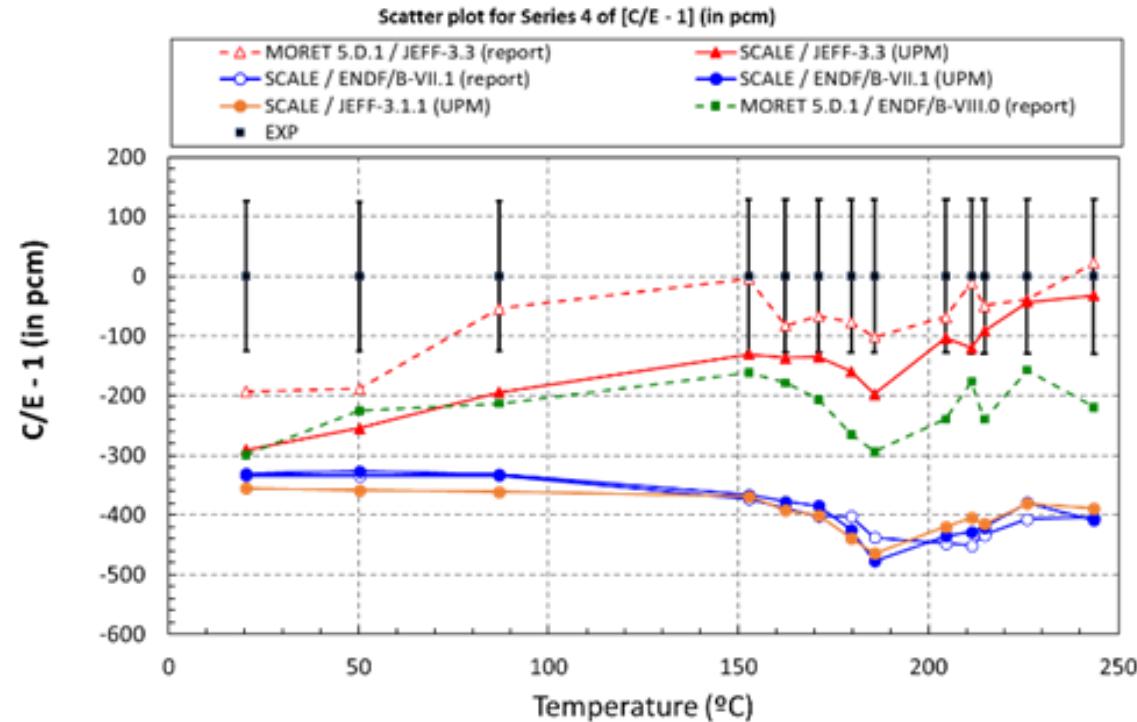
D5.7 – Report on reactor and shielding C/E validation: M42

D5.8 – Report on criticality benchmark C/E validation: M42

D5.9 – Synthesis report on C/E validation and nuclear data trends: M48

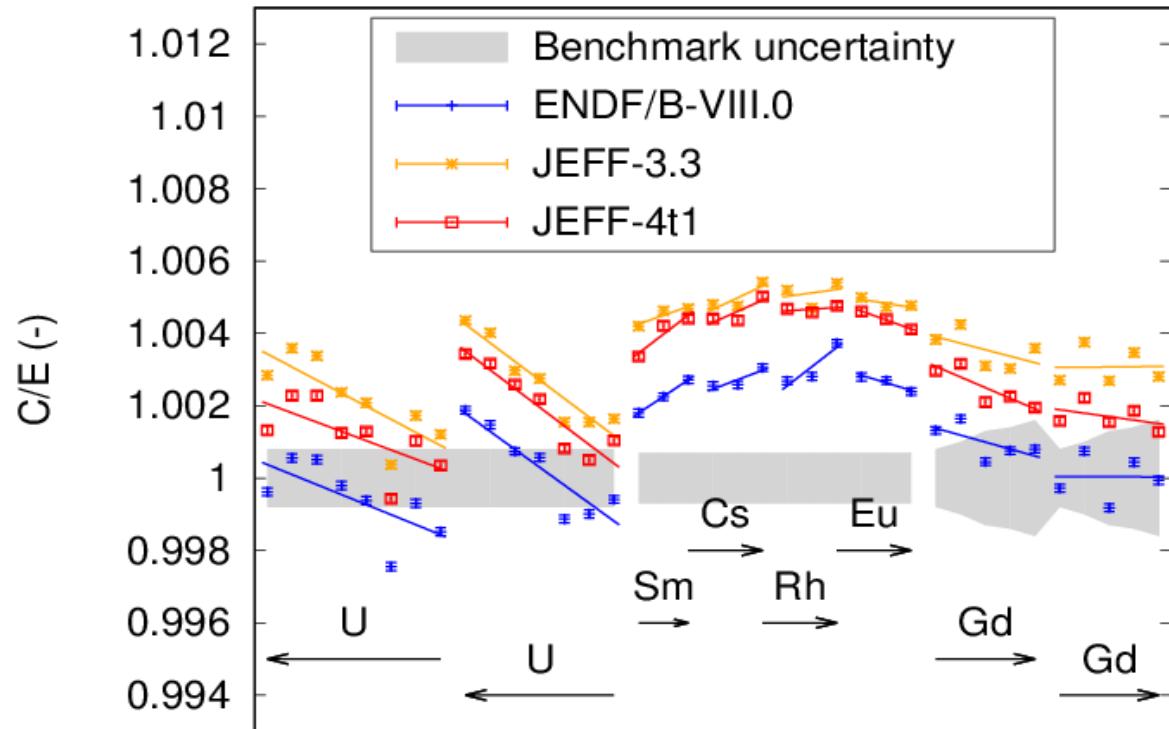
T5.2 Status

C/E results for the SEFOR benchmark, discussed at a recent JEFF meeting



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C/E results for the
LEU-MISC-THERM-003,
5, 6 benchmarks, also
discussed at a recent
JEFF meeting



T5.3 Status

■ T5.3.1 – Neutron Resonance Transmission Analysis (NRTA) measurements at the JRC Geel GELINA facility using MINERVE samples: still ongoing, delay

Facility largely unavailable because of pandemic and upgrades (new beam line in 2020, new RF transformers, new radiation safety protection system in 2021)

Experiments postponed from Sept. 2020 to **2022 (ongoing)**

D5.10 – Report on expts w/ MINERVE samples: **M42 + 9 months**



T5.3 Status

■ T5.3.2 – Pile noise experiments at CV Rez LR-0: ongoing, delayed

Measurements of kinetics parameters using different acquisition systems

First (HLUK) experiment planned in May 2020, postponed several times because of the COVID pandemic. **Done in July 2021**

Second (MIRROR) experiment **done in October 2022**

D5.11 – Report on integral expts in LR-0: **M42 + 9 months**

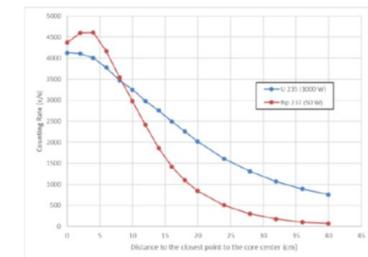
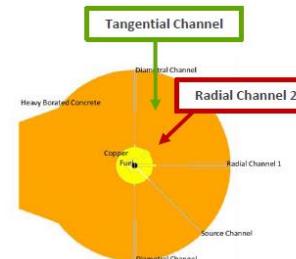


T5.3 Status

■ T5.3.3 – Measurements of Np, Am, Cm (and Pu, U) actinide spectrum-averaged cross sections at the ENEA/TAPIRO fast reactor: ongoing, delayed

Phase 1: New, calibrated, miniature fission chambers prepared by CEA for spectral characterization of exp. channels, shipped to ENEA in 2020 and 2021

Measurements initially scheduled in 2020, postponed because of pandemic and unavailability of the TAPIRO facility. A first set of them was **done** in October 2021 in two TAPIRO channels, a second set was scheduled in 2022...



T5.3 Status

Phase 2: Work started in early 2022 with the specification of an **americium** fission chamber, to be fabricated by CEA. **No Cm chamber**, too complicated

Transfer to ENEA of this Am chamber + a reference U238 chamber in 2023

Measurements are scheduled in 2023...

D5.12 – Report on actinide measurements at TAPIRO: **M42 + 16 months** ☺ ☹

■ T5.3 Synthesis report: **delayed**

D5.13 – Report on new integral experiments and needs: **M48 + 12 months** ☺

Summary

- WP5 has been impacted, directly and indirectly, by the Covid pandemic

Direct impact caused by impossibility to access experimental facilities. Indirect impact caused by adjustment to lockdown and post-lockdown, remote work conditions, changes in internal priorities... Yet, most of the planned work will be done, with delays of 12 months or less in all but one deliverables (D5.12)

■ Tasks

- T1 – Sens./impact studies done for various systems
Deliverables delayed to **M26-M45**
- T2 – Work still ongoing on C/E analysis of integral experiments + correlations
Deliverables postponed to **M42-M48**
- T3 – Delays, but work done or ongoing, difficulties with only one experiment
Deliverables rescheduled to **M51-M60**