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Matlamat penghasilan naskhah Refleksi ini adalah untuk mencipta kecemerlangan baharu dalam memacu dan sekaligus memartabatkan penyelidikan sains dan teknologi nuklear dalam bentuk penerbitan kompilasi. Gabungan pelbagai rekaan grafik poster yang dimuatkan dalam penerbitan kompilasi ini berupaya untuk mencetus ekspresi terhadap transisi imej Nuklear Malaysia dengan lebih efisyen.

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R & D IN MICROBIAL BIOPROCESS

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"Nuclear Technology Application in New Norm"

ABSTRACT

A basic SOP was generally employed to perform bioprocessing of a functional microorganism. For instance, a bacterial strain has a beneficial function such as cellulase or PHA generation which is desired by a scientist. Firstly, the improvement of the beneficial function could be investigated by ionising radiation. Subsequently, the mutants were subjected to microbiological bioprocessing trials. Initially, the individual parameters which could affect the bacterial growth and/or its product generation were identified. A numeric range was designated for each parameter and they were tested in various bioprocessing trials. Later, the growth and/or product generation of the bacteria were quantitated and tabulated/graphed. Further improvement could be carried out by performing optimization of consolidated parameters.

INTRODUCTION

Bioprocess : A specific process that uses **complete living cells or their components** to obtain desired products.

Microbial Bioprocess : A specific bioprocess that uses **microbial biomass as starter cultures** to obtain desired products.

Process : $A + B = C$
Bioprocess : $A + B = C$
 $A + B = A + B + C$
 $A + B = \dots$

Bioprocessing Companies

- MilliporeSigma (Merck KGaA)
- Danaher Life Sciences (Danaher)
- GE Healthcare (General Electric)
- Fujifilm Healthcare (Fujifilm Holdings)
- Lonza – Pharma & Biotech.
- CPC (Colder Products Co.)
- Thermo Fisher Scientific.
- Yamasa Co.

Three major microbial activities that we are practicing to bioprocess the functional bacteria at Malaysian Nuclear Agency.

Microbial Bioprocess Parameters :

- Physical**
 - Mechanical
 - Temperature
 - Flow rates
 - Pressure
 - Viscosity
 - Turbidity
 - Power consumption
- Chemical**
 - pH
 - Type of substrate(s)
 - Substrate concentration
 - Oxygen concentration
- Biological**
 - Type of culture
 - Starting culture (stage)
 - Enzyme(s) activities
 - Protein concentration

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, microbial bioprocess is different from other process. Bioprocess involving living biological cells which is therefore most crucial to generate optimum and reproducible results, particularly important for quality assurance purposes.

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NUTRIENT BROTH OF DIFFERENT MANUFACTURERS AND TYPES OF SHAKE FLASK AFFECT BACTERIAL PHA GENERATION AND GROWTH

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Abstract

Nutrient broth is a general-purpose liquid medium for the growth of microorganisms not exacting in their nutritional requirement (<https://labmal.com/product/nutrient-broth-500g/>). In our study, nutrient broth was used to cultivate the indigenous bacterial strains for polyhydroxyalkanoate (PHA) generation. When working with the nutrient broth from two different manufacturing brands namely Oxoid and Merck, we found the performance of the bacteria were different in both growth and PHA generation. Besides, another investigation observed that the PHA bacteria were also affected by the material of the shake flask they were cultivated in. Adding that the γ -generated bacterial mutants originated from the same parental strain demonstrated different responses towards the nutrient broth brands were most intriguing.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

1

Two PHA-producing *Bacillus* isolates, NMBCC 50015 and 50018, and *Burkholderia*, NMBCC 50014, were grown separately in NB brands Oxoid and Merck, supplied with glucose for PHA generation. All bacterial isolates and their γ -derived mutants were cultivated at 30°C by shaking at 200 rpm in an incubator shaker (New Brunswick Scientific, USA) for 24 hrs. The growth of the bacteria was estimated by viable cell counting. PHA generation was estimated by crotonic acid method (Law and Slepicky, 1961).

2

The effects of the shake flask materials on the PHA generation by *Azotobacter vinelandii* were observed. The performance of bacterial culture in flasks made from glass and plastic (PP) materials were compared. *A. vinelandii* was grown for up to 54 hrs at 30°C by shaking at 200 rpm in a minimal salt medium containing POME for PHA generation.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The results were displayed in Figure 1 and 2.

- both *Bacillus* generated higher PHA in the Oxoid brand NB.
- *Burkholderia* generated higher PHA in Merck brand NB.
- Merck brand NB generally induced higher cell mass, the effects more protruding for *Burkholderia* than *Bacillus*.
- When using culture flasks made from different materials, *A. vinelandii* showed higher PHA generation in the culture flask made of glass.

In research, optimisation of research materials/ elements is often necessary. From the results obtained, the different research materials/ elements have produced different results despite having the same name and same purpose. NB is a multipurpose medium used for general cultivation of bacteria. Although both Oxoid and Merck used the same commercial name for Nutrient Broth, their medium compositions were different. Even though the materials of culture flask were not often considered, this report showed suitable culture flask might improve the experimental results.

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CONCLUSION

This paper has demonstrated different performances of bacterial growth and PHA generation when the specific bacterial strains were cultured in different commercial media brands or different culture flask materials. Stringent selection of research materials is therefore most crucial to generate optimum and reproducible results, particularly important for quality assurance purposes.

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GUIDELINES IN PREPARING HIGH-QUALITY GRAIN SEEDLINGS FOR PADDY STRAW MUSHROOM (*Volvariella volvacea*)

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INTRODUCTION

Volvariella volvacea, also known as the paddy straw mushroom, is a fast-growing fungus and produces its fruiting body on top of substrates that act as its food source.

Corn grain seedling in *V. volvacea* cultivation was introduced by the Malaysian Nuclear Agency in 2016 to increase production volume and reduce seedling production costs.

MATERIALS

METHODOLOGY

1 GRAIN PREPARATION PROCESS

- Weighting corn grains
- Washing off debris
- Soak for 6 to 8 hours
- Toss the grains for 12 hours
- Mix with 1% limestone
- Weigh the corn grains
- Pack into 13 x 6 cm PPP bag

2 STERILIZATION PROCESS

- Attach the autoclave indicator strip
- Autoclave at 121°C, 15 psi for 20 minutes

3 INOCULATION PROCESS

- Healthy *V. volvacea* mother culture
- Heat sterilize the cork borer
- Excising the mycelium
- Transfer sample using hook
- Place into the corn grains
- Flame sterilizing the mouth of the grain bag
- Seal with cap and incubate at a well-ventilated area

DISCUSSIONS

- Pre-treatments of corn grains such as washing, soaking, and mixing with 1% limestone are very important in preventing contamination and ensuring high-quality mycelial growth.
- It is important to maintain a sterilized environment during the inoculation process. The laminar flow was cleaned and sanitised using a 70% ethanol thoroughly prior to inoculating.
- Autoclaving is the method of sterilization where the corn grain will be sterilized using heated steam to inactivates all fungi, bacteria, viruses, and endospores.

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CONCLUSIONS

Outstanding practice in preparing high-quality grain seedlings for paddy straw mushroom was described precisely. The information discussed, might be useful in supporting the mushroom industry towards high-impact mushroom cultivation for growers.

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ISOLATION OF DENITRIFYING BACTERIA FROM SUNGAI BUAH, DENGKIL

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Introduction

- Excess use of nitrogen fertiliser in agriculture and runoff from the fertilised soil is the main cause of nitrate pollution in surface and groundwater (Sveda et al. 2018; Górska et al. 2019; Bijay-Singh & Craswell 2021).
- Nitrate pollution affects human health and damages the water ecosystems.
- In Malaysia, 10 mg/L of nitrate is the drinking water maximum accepted value and raw water recommended value according to Malaysian National Standard for Drinking Water Quality (NSDWQ) by Ministry of Health.
- Biological removal of nitrate in water is possible with denitrification by bacteria (Wong et al. 2020). Denitrification is the process of reducing nitrate into gaseous forms (Lv et al. 2017).
- The objective of this project was to isolate denitrifying bacteria from a river with anthropogenic activities observed nearby.

Fig. 1. Isolation of bacteria with spread plate method.

Materials and Methods

Fig. 2. Surrounding environment of Sungai Buah.

Fig. 3. Sample collection with pail and string.

Fig. 4. Sample were transferred to 250 ml bottles and sent to lab.

Fig. 5. Standard method developed for isolation of bacteria from environmental water samples.

Fig. 6. Sample were filtered.

Fig. 7. pH and nitrate level measured.

Fig. 8. Nitrate level measured with spectrophotometer.

Fig. 9. Plates incubated anaerobically.

Results and Discussion

Fig. 10. Various colony morphologies observed.

The pH level of water samples was detected to be between 5.0 and 6.0. The average nitrate level of samples was 11.5 mg/L. A total of 8 aerobic and 3 anaerobic strains were isolated. Isolates have various colony morphologies (Fig. 10). Results suggested diverse bacteria were present in the river water.

Conclusion

A standard method was developed for isolation of bacteria from environmental water samples. Isolates were observed to have various morphologies as expected. Isolates will be characterised based on denitrifying ability in next experiment.

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METHOD DEVELOPMENT OF STEVIOLE GLYCOSIDES (REBAUDIOSIDE A) ANALYSIS USING ULTRA HIGH PERFORMANCE LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY (UHPLC)

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Abstract

Stevia rebaudiana leaf is the only species to bear the natural sweetness without resulting in any negative effects on human health. The leaf contains nine active components of stevia glycosides (SG) which are, Stevioside (St), Rebioside A (Reb A), Rebioside C (Reb C), Rebioside D (Reb D), Rebioside E (Reb E), Rebioside G (Reb G), Rebioside H (Reb H), Rebioside I (Reb I), Rebioside J (Reb J). The ratio of these stevia compounds influences the quality, identity, and purity of the stevia extracts. Reb A is one of the primary active components from the *Stevia rebaudiana* leaf. Therefore, the objective of this study is to develop a method to analyse Reb A component quantitatively using Agilent 1290 Infinity LC System Ultra High Performance Liquid Chromatography (UHPLC). In this study, separation was conducted at room temperature through an Agilent 2000A Carbohydrate Analysis Column (4.6 x 250mm, id. 5 µm), mobile phase consisting of acetonitrile-methanol gradient, addition of 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) on a mobile phase rate was set at between 0.3 – 1.0 mL/min and wavelength at between 200 – 210 nm using PhotoDiode-Area Detection (PDA). As a conclusion, this Reb A content method by using UHPLC developed can be used for quantitative analysis of Reb A component in sweetener extracts.

Keywords: Rebioside A, Stevioside, Stevia Rebaudiana, UHPLC

Introduction

In 1897, a botany named Antonio Bertoni had discovered new plant mutation which is known as Stevia Rebaudiana Bertoni, an Indefinite perennial plant of the Asteraceae family. *S. rebaudiana* Bertoni is the mother of all other species of stevia (Soyano et al., 1982; Kinghorn et al., 1994).

Methodology

1. Chemicals And Raw Materials

Rebaudioside A (99% by HPLC standard (EAN: 30549-14-0) and water for chromatography (LC/MS grade)) was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Meanwhile, HPLC grade acetonitrile (ACN), methanol and ethanol were purchased from JT Baker. All solvents and standards were liquid chromatographic (LC) grade or higher.

2. Instrumentation

Agilent 1290A LC system Ultra High Performance Liquid Chromatograph (UHPLC)

3. Chromatographic procedure

Parameter Setting
Mobile phase Acetonitrile:methanol (95:5) (0.1% TFA)
Flow rate 0.3 – 1.0 mL/min
Operate temperature 30°C
Wavelength 200 – 210 nm

4. Standard preparation

The standard stock solution was prepared by dissolving 1 mg of Reb A in 1 mL of mobile phase. Then the mixture was sonicated for 15 minutes before filtered with 0.2 µm syringe filter. The solution is further serially diluted and used to construct 4-point calibration curve. An aliquot of 5 µL standard solution was used for UHPLC analysis.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the method to analyse Stevioside glycosides (which is Rebioside A) by using Agilent 1290 Infinity LC System Ultra High Performance Liquid Chromatography (UHPLC) was successfully developed. The methods are useful for the identification, quality assurance, and efficient assessment of *S. rebaudiana* and derived glycosides sweeteners (stevia products).

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From the calibration curve and chromatogram, we can conclude that the main peak is belongs to Reb A. Under optimum condition, all standard and sample should be separated at good resolution.

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PENCIRIAN VARIETI MUTAN STEVIA REBAUDIANA BERTONI

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ABSTRAK

Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni ialah sejenis pemanis semula jadi dan tanpa kalori, ia banyak digunakan dalam industri makanan dan minuman. Spesies ini telah diperkenalkan sebagai tanaman komersial yang berpotensi dibebani oleh keperluan yang tinggi terhadap pemanis yang boleh mengantikan gula. Dalam kajian ini, dua mutan stevia S10A dan S40C telah dicirikan morfologi dan kandungan kemanisananya berbanding dengan stevia kawalan. Stevia S10A mempunyai bentuk daun obovate dan keluasan permukaan yang lebih besar berbanding dengan stevia S40C dan kawalan. Di samping itu, stevia S40C mempunyai bentuk daun lanceolate dan saiz daun yang kecil berbanding dengan stevia S10A dan kawalan. Stevia S10A mempunyai kandungan kemanisan yang sama dengan kawalan (0.50% Brix), akan tetapi stevia S40C mempunyai kandungan kemanisan yang paling rendah (0.43% Brix). Bagi kajian jarak internod, stevia S10A dan S40C mempunyai jarak internod yang lebih panjang daripada kawalan, iaitu dengan 3.5 dan 3.9 cm panjang masing-masing. Stevia kawalan hanya mempunyai jarak internod 2.1 cm sahaja.

PENGENALAN

Berdasarkan laporan World Health Organization, Pesakit diabetik akan meningkat sebanyak 80 ribu pada 2025. Justeru itu, penganti pemanis amat penting dan diperlukan bagi mengantikan gula dalam pemakanan kita. Stevia merupakan pokok berasal daripada Paraguay. Stevia ialah sejenis pemanis semulajadi tanpa kalori. Stevioside dan rebioside A merupakan dua penanda sebatian utama yang wujud dalam stevia. Agensi Nuklear Malaysia telah berjaya menghasilkan dua varieti mutan stevia S10A dan S40C melalui kaedah pembiakan mutasi menggunakan penyinaran gama. Kedua-dua mutan ini menunjukkan toleransi yang tinggi kepada iklim Malaysia. Dalam Kajian ini, pencirian dari segi morfologi dan kandungan bahan kimia mutan stevia telah dijalankan.

HASIL DAN PERBINCANGAN

Jadual 2. Kandungan kemanisan stevia telah diukur dengan menggunakan refractometer pada unit % Brix.

Stevia Sweetness in % Brix			
Stevia Control	Stevia S10A	Stevia S40C	
5 g of leaves dried and extracted with 100 mL hot water extraction	0.43	0.43	0.33

Rajah 1. Morfologi pokok dan daun bagi stevia kawalan, S10A dan S40C telah ditunjukkan. Keluasan permukaan, panjang dan lebar daun telah diukur menggunakan kertas grid.

Jadual 1. Pencirian morfologi daun stevia mutan berbanding dengan kawalan.

	Stevia Control	Stevia S10A	Stevia S40C
Leaf shape	Lanceolate	Obovate	Lanceolate
Leaf tip	Obtuse	Obtuse	Acute
Leaf base	Attenuate	Cuneate	Attenuate
Leaf margin	Dentate	Dentate	Serrated
Leaf length	41.2 mm	48.2 mm	54.8 mm
Leaf width	14.2 mm	22.2 mm	17.8 mm
Leaf surface area	386.4 mm ²	689.2 mm ²	650.4 mm ²

KESIMPULAN

Stevia S10A mempunyai pokok dan daun yang lebih besar berbanding dengan kawalan. Manakala, stevia S40C mempunyai daun yang lebih kecil tetapi lebih lebar berbanding dengan kawalan. Bagi kandungan kemanisan, stevia S40C mempunyai kandungan kemanisan yang terendah berbanding dengan stevia S10A dan kawalan, kandungan kemanisan stevia S10A adalah sama dengan kawalan. Bagi kajian jarak internod pulu, stevia S10A dan S40C mempunyai internod yang lebih panjang berbanding dengan kawalan.

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A STUDY OF PROBIOTIC BIOFERTILISER M100 ON STRAWBERRIES IN CAMERON HIGHLANDS FARM KAJIAN PROBIOTIK BIOPAJA M100 KE ATAS STRAWBERI DI LADANG CAMERON HIGHLANDS

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ABSTRACT

Strawberries are popular among consumers due to their attractive appearance, pleasant taste and high nutritional benefits. Strawberries in Malaysia are commercially planted in the highland region of Cameron Highlands. The two major problems of planting strawberries are the lack of resistance to various diseases and low yields. *Acinetobacter calcoaceticus* (M100) is a multifunctional biofertiliser bacterium with capabilities of atmospheric nitrogen (N_2) fixation and phosphate and potassium solubilisation; it can be a good probiotic biofertiliser. Biofertiliser M100 may create healthy root systems for plant growth and increase the yields. Oligochitosan is an enhancer of plant growth and may also enhance the growth of strawberries. The objective of this study was to determine the effects of biofertiliser M100 (T1), oligochitosan (T2), combination of biofertiliser with oligochitosan (T3) and farmer practice (T4) on Festivelle cultival strawberry at Brinchang, Cameron Highlands strawberry plot. All treatments were applied during transfer, a month after transfer and during flowering. Strawberries were harvested weekly for two and a half months. Fresh weights and number of strawberries were measured. Yields and number of fruits obtained from plants subjected to T1 and T3 were significantly higher than those from plants subjected to T2 and T4. Thus, biofertiliser M100 or the combination treatment leads to satisfactory results and is a good treatment for the strawberry farm.

Keywords: *Acinetobacter calcoaceticus* (M100), oligochitosan, strawberries, probiotic and biofertiliser

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Biofertiliser M100 was prepared by culturing M100 bacteria isolates on nutrient broth for 24 h. It was prepared at a concentration of 10^8 cfu/ml. Oligochitosan was prepared a concentration of 100 ppm. All treatments were applied during transfer, a month after transfer and during flowering. Strawberries (Festivelle cultival) were harvested weekly for two and a half months. Fresh weights (g) and number of strawberries were measured. There were 32 plants per treatment. The experimental design was a completely randomised block design (CRBD). Data were analysed by ANOVA with the means separated by Duncan's test ($P \leq 0.10$).

Treatments:
T1 - Biofertiliser M100
T2 - Oligochitosan
T3 - Combination of biofertiliser with oligochitosan
T4 - Farmer's practice

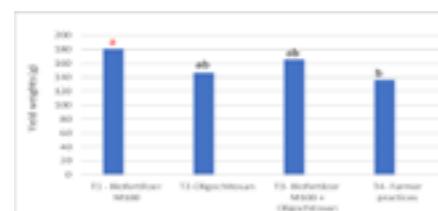


Figure 1: Effects of biofertiliser with oligochitosan on the fresh weight of strawberries in the field experiment (g). All values are expressed as the means of 10 harvests. Means followed by the same letter are insignificantly different from each other ($P \leq 0.10$) as determined by Duncan's Multiple Range test.

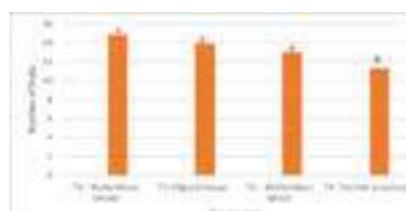


Figure 2: Effects of biofertiliser with oligochitosan on the number of strawberry fruits in the field experiment. All values are expressed as the means of 10 harvests. Means followed by the same letter are insignificantly different from each other ($P \leq 0.10$), as determined by Duncan's Multiple Range test.

plants were determined. Yields and number of fruits obtained from plants (T3) were significantly higher than those obtained from plants subjected to M100 treatment or the combination treatment showed good results in the plants. Some previous reports showed the synergistic effects between and Abodjato et al., 2016). However, in this study, no significant synergistic effect was observed. Further investigation on synergistic effects may be carried out with others

ions on strawberry yield and number of fruits. However, plants subjected to T3 were better than those subjected to T1 and T2. This suggests that T3 is a better alternative to farmer's practice to obtain high yields. Further investigation on synergistic effects may be carried out with others



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STABLE ISOTOPE TECHNIQUE FOR HONEY AUTHENTICITY

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Abstract

Almost 80% of honey in Malaysian market is inauthentic. Stable isotope analysis using carbon isotope ratio is an official method for identification of adulterated honey involving sugar addition in the product. The difference in the isotope ratio between protein and sugar more than >1‰ is considered adulterated. Initially, protein is required to be extracted from the honey samples by using chemical precipitation protocols. Then, the protein and raw honey from the sample will be analyzed for carbon, nitrogen, sulphur, oxygen and hydrogen stable isotopes using Elemental Analyzer Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometer (EA-IRMS). Certain standard materials are required to produce accurate results. Calculation of apparent sugar addition is applied to identify the percentage of adulteration. The geographical origin of authentic honey based on location is identified by using multivariate statistical analysis.

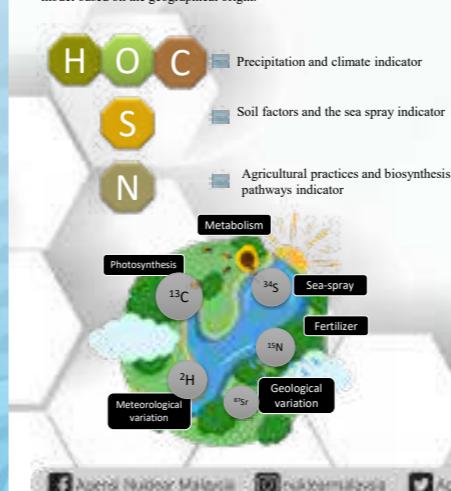
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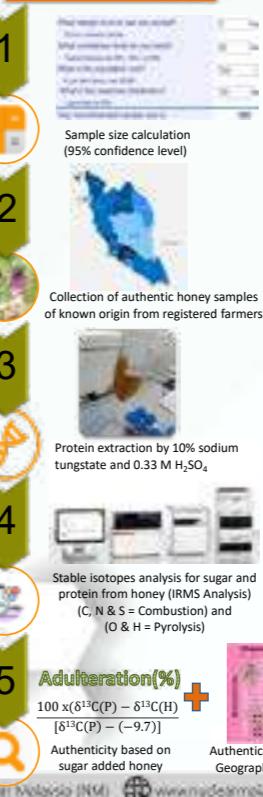
- ❖ Honey in Malaysia is produced by several honey bee species:
 - i. Wild bee (*Apis dorsata*),
 - ii. Western honey bee (*Apis mellifera*),
 - iii. Asian honey bee (*Apis cerana*)
 - iv. Stingless bee honey (*Trigona* spp.)
- ❖ Global honey market size in 2020 was USD 9.21 billion.
- ❖ The price of honey in Malaysia can reach RM 260 per kilogram.
- ❖ Due to high economic value, 80% of honey in market is adulterated with cane sugar and other substances which harmful to consumer's health.
- ❖ It is difficult to differentiate the authentic and the fake honey because physically, the colour and viscosity of both are quite similar. This highlights the importance of differentiating the authentic honey from adulterated honeys using a robust analytical method.
- ❖ Stable isotope technique is the best candidate for honey authenticity:
 - i. Ability to identify sugar added honey.
 - ii. Differentiate honey based on agricultural practices, climatic and geographical conditions.

Principle

- ❖ Bees collect nectars from the flowers of C-3 plants. The carbon isotopic value for C-3 plants is from -24‰ to -33‰.
- ❖ Sugar syrup from sugar cane and corn flour are categorized as C-4 plant. The carbon isotopic value is ranging from -10‰ to -16‰.
- ❖ There are two main components of honey namely sugar (whole honey) and protein. It is assumed the carbon isotope ratio ($^{13}C/^{12}C$) of the honey and protein is identical (less than or equal to 1.0‰).
- ❖ Combination of different stable isotope ratios ($^{15}N/^{14}N$, $^{13}C/^{12}C$, $^{34}S/^{32}S$, $^{18}O/^{16}O$ and $^{2H}/^{1H}$) are important to develop the honey authenticity model based on the geographical origin.



Methodology



Conclusion

- ❖ The stable isotope analysis is a robust and powerful technique to verify honey authenticity.
- ❖ Each step in the protocol need to be applied thoroughly for reliable and quality results.
- ❖ The unique stable isotope signature can accurately determine the true origin of honey.
- ❖ This technique is hoped to be implemented in national food regulations for ensuring food safety and quality.

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SISTEM PENGURUSAN KERJASAMA DAN PEMINDAHAN TEKNOLOGI AGENSI NUKLEAR MALAYSIA

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Kata kunci: Sistem pengurusan pengkomersialan dan pemindahan teknologi, carta alir proses kerja, garis panduan pengkomersialan

CARTA ALIR PENGKOMERSIALAN

Rajah 1 : Bilangan Perjanjian Kerjasama (NDA) dan Perjanjian Kerjasama (MOA) tahun 2015 hingga 2021

Tahun	NDA	MOA
2015	15	4
2016	20	5
2017	7	2
2018	10	5
2019	16	3
2020	13	1
2021	6	4

Pelaksanaan sistem pengurusan ini didapati telah meningkatkan kualiti pengurusan pengkomersialan di Nuklear Malaysia dengan pengurusan yang lebih telus, teratur dan tidak melanggar mana-mana peraturan Kerajaan sedia ada.

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KESIMPULAN

Sistem pengurusan pengkomersialan ini merupakan penambahbaikan yang telah dilaksanakan dalam konteks pengurusan perlaksanaan perundungan projek kerjasama dan pemindahan teknologi di Nuklear Malaysia. Hasil pelaksanaan sistem ini didapati penyampaian perkhidmatan pengurusan dalam konteks pengkomersialan dan pemindahan teknologi ini lebih teratur secara dasar, kewangan dan perundungan. Namun, tempoh masa menguruskan perjanjian kerjasama masih bergantung kepada pelbagai faktor dan ia memerlukan kerjasama semua pihak yang terlibat. BKT akan sentiasa menambahbaik sistem pengurusan pengkomersialan ini pada masa akan datang.

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Organizational Ergonomics Approach in the Segregation of Legacy Mixed Organic Radioactive Waste
Pendekatan Ergonomi Organisasi dalam Pengasingan Sisa Radioaktif Organik Tercampur Warisan

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PROBLEM STATEMENT - FAILED ACTION PLAN

Initial action plan: a design to perform segregation work with **minimum supervision and time commitment** by Waste Tech staff.

Project leader demonstrates work method

INEFFICIENT PROCESS - LOW OUTPUT

INTRODUCTION

3900 BOTTLES OF MIXED ORGANIC LIQUID WASTE

METHODOLOGY FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Ergonomics is the scientific discipline concerned with the understanding of **interactions among humans and other elements of a system** and the profession that applies theory, principles, data, and methods to design in order to optimize human well-being and **overall system performance** - International Ergonomics Association (IEA)

FORMULATING NEW ACTION PLAN – 5W2H

FINDING ROOT CAUSE – THE 5 WHYS

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Segregation process progresses too slowly
Workers fail to give full commitment.
Lack of monitoring by project leader.
Project leader subjected to similar limitations.
Other work responsibilities, long hours, dire working condition.
Ineffective action plan.

WORKING METHOD - Process Mapping

DISCUSSION

COMMUNICATION **CREW RESOURCE MANAGEMENT** **DESIGN OF WORKING TIME**

COOPERATIVE WORK **LEADERSHIP**

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Perkongsian Pengalaman Membangunkan Program Latihan dan Perkembangan Kakitangan BTP dalam Projek Pengeluaran Kapsul Iodine-131: Laporan Latihan Tahunan bagi 2016-2020

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ABSTRAK

Bahagian Teknologi Perubatan telah bekerjasama dengan syarikat swasta dalam projek kerjasama pengeluaran bahan radiofarmaseutikal bagi pasaran tempatan, khusus bagi kegunaan di pusat perubatan nuklear. Projek kerjasama ini sedang berjalan dan dalam proses mendaftarkan produk iaitu kapsul lodin-131 (I-131) dengan pihak Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM) bagi memenuhi keperluan Amalan Perkilangan Baik atau *Good Manufacturing Practice* (GMP). Buat masa ini, pusat perubatan nuklear menggunakan bahan I-131 dalam bentuk cecair dan diimport dari luar negara. Secara klinikal, kapsul I-131 digunakan bagi merawat pesakit yang mengalami penyakit kanker tiroid. Kakitangan BTP disyaratkan menjalani latihan berkeraian GMP setiap tahun dalam pelbagai sub bidang. Latihan ini merupakan syarat wajib bagi memenuhi keperluan GMP merangkumi unit pengeluaran, kawalan mutu dan jaminan mutu. Program latihan yang diadakan mestilah mematuhi panduan GMP dan dalam masa yang sama ianya akan diaudit oleh juru audit dalaman dan juga oleh pihak KKM. Perkongsian program latihan ini adalah bagi memberikan gambaran tentang bentuk latihan dan tahap ianya dipraktikkan di BTP bagi tempoh masa yang dinyatakan.

PROD **QC** **GMP** **QA** **STORE** **SAFETY**

OBJEKTIF

1. Latihan GMP untuk pembangunan kakitangan BTP
2. Kompetensi kakitangan untuk jalankan tugas dalam penghasilan Kapsul Iodin-131 di BTP

PICS GMP GUIDE – Chapter 2 – Personnel - Training

KAEDAH

SKOP LATIHAN:
Tertakluk kepada semua kakitangan yang terlibat dalam penghasilan Kapsul Iodin-131 di BTP

Doc No: I-131/SOP/QA/GN/08-02
Personnel Competency and Training

JADUAL LATIHAN
BORANG KEHADIRAN
BORANG EVALUATION

KEPUTUSAN

YEARLY TREND TRAINING ACTIVITIES BY EACH UNITS FROM YEAR 2016-2020

KESIMPULAN

KOMITMEN DARI SEMUA PIHAK QA , PROD , QC, STORE & SAFETY ADALAH PENTING UNTUK MEMASTIKAN LATIHAN GMP BERJALAN DENGAN LANCAR.

Fokus kepada pembangunan dokumentasi dalam 3 tahun pertama kemudian trial run prosedur dengan proses sebenar.
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PERSONAL SOLVENT EVAPORATOR: AN INNOVATIVE SOLVENT REMOVAL

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ABSTRACT

Solvent removal in many areas of scientific research, whether concentration of samples or complete drying has been considered as a major challenge during the solvent extraction processes. Personal solvent evaporator (PSE) is one of the advanced technologies system that have been developed for the solvent removal in various sample chemistries. This system consists of centrifugal vacuum concentrators and freeze driers capable of removing water and organic solvents. The techniques used in this system combines great performance, ease of use and compatibility with all commonly used solvents. This paper gives a brief overview of personal solvent evaporator for different solvent group and its application in scientific research such as natural product, analytical chemistry, medicinal chemistry and post purification sample handling.

INTRODUCTION

Evaporation - process by which a solvent evaporates from a liquid state into a gas. Some solvents evaporate quickly on their own, while others require the addition of heat to speed up the process

Uses :

- clinical and diagnostic testing
- DNA and oligonucleotides
- environmental analysis
- food and beverage
- metabolic and toxicology studies
- natural products research
- proteins and peptides
- parallel chemistry
- sample handling after purification

Personal Solvent Evaporator (EZ-2 Elite)

- modern systems that combine great performance, ease of operation, and compatibility with all common solvent including water
- autostop function and pre-programmed method
- dri-pure anti-bumping system that prevents cross-contamination and sample loss due to bumping
- solvent-resistant, oil-free vacuum pump, and a high-efficiency
- unique self-draining collection vessel attached to the Speed Trap that utilizes the powerful scroll pump
- capable of evaporating even solvents with highest boiling points up to 220°C
- Lyospeed Fast lyophilization (HPLC fractions)

RESULT

Figure 1 showed the condition of the sample that have been studied. Using a personal solvent evaporator, a 5 ml sample from the purification process was dried using personal solvent evaporator (sample A) and air-dried (sample B). Consequently, sample A was entirely dried after 2 hours, whereas sample B still had a solvent within the test tube (Figure 3). The samples would take up to 2 hours to dry using the personal solvent evaporator. The operator was free to undertake other duties during this period. Overall, installing the personal solvent evaporator was estimated to save the laboratory five days in the evaporation process. The apparatus allowed for the processing of more extensive sample series in a single day

CONCLUSION

Besides saving time, this system also can ensures that the solvent boils down from the sample surface, minimizing boil-over and solvent shock. This prevents sample loss and also means that different samples can be evaporated in parallel without cross contamination. Solvent mixtures can be evaporated in a controlled manner by controlling pressure and heat

METHODOLOGY

Drying of chalcone derivative using Personal Evaporator
Purification of chalcone derivative using Prep-LC
Identification of chalcone derivative using TLC
Synthesis of Chalcone derivative

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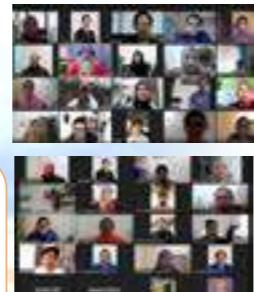
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PASUKAN CDC DIKETUAJOLEH PENGARAH BKT



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Keputusan, Rumusan dan Cadangan

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ORAL GAVAGING IN ADULT ZEBRA FISH

ABSTRACT

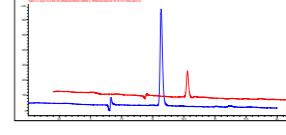
Zebrafish (*Danio rerio*) offer an ideal experimental system as in vivo model in biomedical research. Zebrafish have been widely used as model organisms for developmental and disease studies. In order to achieve accurate and precise results, an effective method should be established to deliver test samples, compounds, or drugs into Zebrafish. The existing method for oral administrations are inaccurate due to variability in voluntary consumption by the fish. Hence, the gavage technique was introduced to increase accuracy and precision. Gavage is a standard method used in other laboratory animal species to administer precise quantities of a product with a known concentration for study in biomedical and pharmaceutical research. Adult Zebrafish over 6 months of age were used in this study. Zebrafish were anaesthetized using market-ready anaesthetic solutions and hold 45 between sponges. A self-blunted 25G needle and microsyringe were used in this method. The needle was lowered into the oral cavity of the zebrafish until the tip of the needle extended past the gills (approximately 1 cm). The solution was then injected slowly into the intestinal tract. Administration time for this procedure were significantly lengthen compare to voluntary consumption. However, this procedure showed almost 95% of desired solutions consume by the fish.

Keywords: Zebrafish,

INTRODUCTION

Zebrafish are an excellent method for analyzing development, genetics, immunology, behavior, physiology, and nutrition (Teame et al., 2019). Zebrafish has recently been used in other fields of research such as pharmacology, clinical research, and drug discovery (Dayal et al., 2016). To use zebrafish in scientific study, effective ways for delivering compounds or agents into the organism must be discovered and practiced (Dayal et al., 2016). Due to the general variability in voluntary intake by the fish, current techniques for delivering compounds and drugs orally to adult zebrafish are inadequate. To administer exact amounts of infectious agents to zebrafish for biomedical research, a gavage method was established (Collymore et al., 2013). Oral gavage provides a regulated delivery approach without the stress of invasive injections, perhaps permitting daily treatments for a longer duration. Advances in gavage device catheter tubing have considerably decreased stress, trauma, and injury during single-dose administration (Dang et al., 2016).

RESULTS & DISCUSSION



The graph shows the traces of gallic acid in water samples from zebrafish and gavaged zebrafish. The traces are higher in the water sample from gavaged zebrafish compared to zebrafish, indicating more accurate delivery.

OBJECTIVES

To administer a precise amount of dosage into zebrafish.
To evaluate the effectiveness of oral gavage technique using self-blunted 25G needle with microsyringe.

METHODOLOGY



The diagram illustrates the oral gavage process for zebrafish. It shows the preparation of anesthetic solution, measurement of food pellet, and the actual oral gavage procedure where a self-blunted needle and microsyringe are used to inject a wet food pellet with gallic acid into an anaesthetized fish held on a sponge.

CONCLUSION

Oral gavage ensures precise amount of dosage being administered to zebrafish. However, this gavage techniques for compound or drug administration required a longer period compared to the random feeding technique.

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PEMBANGUNAN ALIRAN SINTESIS BENZENA DI MAKMAL TENTU UMUR RADIOKARBON, AGENSI NUKLEAR MALAYSIA

DEVELOPMENT OF BENZENE SYNTHESIS LINE AT RADIOCARBON DATING LABORATORY, MALAYSIAN NUCLEAR AGENCY

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ABSTRAK

Makmal Tentu Umur Radiokarbon telah wujud di Agensi Nuklear Malaysia sejak tahun 1983. Kemudahan Aliran Sintesis Benzena yang diperolehi melalui projek kerjasama Hidrologi Isotop di antara IAEA, AAEC dan PUSPATI pada ketika itu telah berjaya digunakan untuk menentu umur air bahawasannya selain sampel-sampel artifak seperti kayu dan cengkerang. Walaubagaimanapun, setelah projek tersebut tamat, kemudahan ini tidak lagi digunakan. Menyedari kepentingan kemudahan ini, beberapa usaha telah dijalankan agar kemudahan ini dapat berfungsi kembali. Antara usaha yang telah dijalankan adalah dengan mengadakan misi pakar pada tahun 2014 dan 2015. Terkini, melalui peruntukan Rancangan Malaysia ke-11 RP 4 (2020), satu aliran sintesis benzena yang baru telah diperolehi. Kertas kerja ini akan membincangkan penambahbaikan yang telah diadakan dalam usaha untuk membangunkan kemudahan ini semula.

TENTU UMUR RADIOKARBON



PEMBANGUNAN KEMUDAHAN ALIRAN SINTESIS BENZENA



Penambahan kelang bulat 5-L (1) dan tindak balas sampel tak organik dengan asid (2)




KESIMPULAN

Makmal Tentu Umur Radiokarbon merupakan satu aset strategik kepada Agensi Nuklear Malaysia dan berpotensi tinggi untuk digunakan dalam penyelidikan dan untuk dikomersialkan. Setelah pelbagai usaha dijalankan, akhirnya makmal ini berjaya mendapatkan satu BSL yang boleh digunakan. Diharapkan dengan pembangunan Makmal Tentu Umur Radiokarbon, aktiviti penyelidikan berkaitan dengan tentu umur di Nuklear Malaysia dapat berjalan dengan lancar.

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ABSTRAK: Sumber bahan radioaktif semulajadi merupakan penyumbang utama kepada dedah radiasi terhadap manusia dan alam sekitar. Peningkatan bahan radioaktif semulajadi terutamanya di dalam tanah perlu diberi perhatian, memandangkan ia merupakan salah satu sumber dedah kepada manusia dan komuniti. Kajian dan pemantauan yang dilakukan terhadap taburan dan penentuan aktiviti keradioaktif radionuklid semulajadi ini boleh dijadikan panduan serta rujukan serta amat berguna terutamanya ketika berlakunya dedah yang tidak terancang. Sampel tanah perlu diambil dari beberapa lokasi yang telah dikenalpasti di sektor kawasan tadahan air Empangan Sembrong telah diambil untuk dijalankan kajian. Pengukuran kepekatan radioaktif dalam sampel tanah dilakukan dengan menggunakan sistem pembilangan spektrometer gamma yang dilengkapi dengan pengesan HPGe. Keputusan yang diperolehi menunjukkan kepekatan radioaktif ²³⁸U adalah berkisar di antara 17.83 – 31.80 Bq/kg, ²³²Th adalah berkisar di antara 23.18 – 40.64 Bq/kg, ²²⁶Ra adalah berkisar di antara 20.09 – 32.80 Bq/kg, ²²⁸Ra adalah berkisar di antara 21.20 – 38.88 Bq/kg dan ⁴⁰K adalah berkisar di antara 9.11 – 51.39 Bq/kg dengan nilai purata masing-masing adalah 21.45 Bq/kg, 28.17 Bq/kg, 24.00 Bq/kg, 27.43 Bq/kg dan 24.01 Bq/kg. Nilai-nilai kepekatan radioaktif radionuklid tersebut didapati rendah atau setara dengan nilai-nilai yang pernah dilaporkan dalam kajian terdahulu.

Katakunci: Spektrometer gama, Tanah, Bahan Radioaktif Semulajadi, pengesan HPGe, Kawasan tadahan air.

KEPUTUSAN DAN PERBINCANGAN

Jadual 1: Aktiviti spesifik radionuklid dalam sampel tanah/sedimen di lokasi yang berbeza di sekitar kawasan tadahan air Sembrong, Johor.

Stesen Persampelan	GPS Koordinat (DMS)	Aktiviti khusus radionuklid (Bq/kg)				
		²³⁸ U	²³² Th	²²⁶ Ra	²²⁸ Ra	⁴⁰ K
S01	N01°58'.558" E103°13'.963"	19.97 ± 1.69	26.84 ± 1.66	21.51 ± 2.12	28.66 ± 1.70	11.69 ± 1.00
S02	N02°00'.000" E103°14'.691"	18.83 ± 2.09	27.11 ± 1.79	22.81 ± 3.07	30.89 ± 1.80	10.28 ± 1.00
S03	N02°00'.593" E103°15'.230"	19.81 ± 1.45	25.04 ± 0.92	22.22 ± 2.81	24.17 ± 1.0	28.91 ± 1.79
S04	N02°01'.051" E103°14'.893"	20.82 ± 2.73	31.17 ± 1.69	22.75 ± 2.10	30.01 ± 1.60	9.11 ± 1.00
S05	N02°01'.506" E103°14'.094"	24.42 ± 4.53	35.55 ± 2.10	26.19 ± 2.29	35.55 ± 2.15	25.89 ± 3.50
S06	N02°01'.714" E103°14'.094"	21.87 ± 2.13	27.77 ± 1.84	27.92 ± 2.82	25.86 ± 1.59	51.39 ± 1.15
S07	N02°01'.539" E103°13'.224"	21.84 ± 4.51	26.61 ± 2.40	23.80 ± 3.10	24.60 ± 2.4	50.11 ± 3.74
S08	N02°00'.736" E103°12'.591"	31.80 ± 2.01	40.64 ± 2.69	32.80 ± 3.15	38.88 ± 2.50	10.20 ± 2.29
S09	N01°59'.929" E103°12'.201"	19.84 ± 2.28	26.15 ± 3.52	21.68 ± 2.20	24.15 ± 2.46	9.13 ± 1.00
S10	N01°58'.891" E103°11'.699"	20.41 ± 2.52	24.27 ± 1.85	21.70 ± 2.98	22.70 ± 1.80	18.54 ± 2.03
S11	N01°58'.707" E103°11'.459"	19.83 ± 0.74	25.78 ± 0.92	24.62 ± 2.80	22.48 ± 1.00	23.53 ± 2.33
S12	N01°58'.808" E103°11'.177"	17.88 ± 1.88	23.18 ± 1.58	20.09 ± 2.10	21.20 ± 1.42	38.90 ± 2.80
Range		17.88 – 31.80	20.09 – 40.64	22.48 – 32.80	20.09 – 38.88	9.11 – 51.39
Mean		21.44 ± 2.83	28.17 ± 1.91	24.00 ± 2.63	27.43 ± 1.77	24.01 ± 1.97

Jadual 2: Perbandingan aktiviti khusus radionuklid dalam sampel tanah/sedimen di sekitar kawasan tadahan air Sembrong dengan lokasi lain di Semenanjung Malaysia dan negara-negara lain.

Lokasi Persampelan	Aktiviti khusus radionuklid (Bq/kg)					Rujukan
	²³⁸ U	²²⁶ Ra	²²⁸ Ra	²³² Th	⁴⁰ K	
Sembrong, Johor	21 (17.83 – 31.80)	24 (20.09 – 32.80)	27 (21.20 – 38.88)	28 (23.18 – 40.64)	24 (9.11 – 51.39)	Kajian ini
Repository Facility, Bukit Kledang, Perak	-	21	-	33	21	Adziz, M. I. & Khoo, K. S. 2018
Kinta District, Perak	12–426	-	-	246	-	Lee et al. 2007
Pulau Pinang	-	64–799	-	16–667	-	Almayaith et al. 2012
Dengkil, Selangor	31.64 – 449.15	-	-	27–103	-	Yasin, S. M. et al., 2007
Malaysia	66	67	-	82	310	UNSCEAR Report, 2000
Thailand	114	48	-	40	400	
Japan	29	33	-	28	310	
China	33	32	-	41	440	
Worldwide mean	35	33	-	36	474	

KESIMPULAN

Kepekatan aktiviti min ²³⁸U, ²²⁶Ra, ²²⁸Ra dan ²³²Th adalah setanding dengan data min seluruh dunia, namun, untuk ⁴⁰K, nilainya lebih rendah (474 Bq / kg). Dari kajian ini juga, didapat nilai purata bagi radionuklid ²²⁶Ra dan ²³²Th adalah setanding dengan kajian terdahulu dan lebih rendah daripada nilai purata yang dicatatan dari kajian sebelum ini untuk kawasan tertentu di Semenanjung Malaysia.

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PERNYATAAN MASalah

Data NORM penting dalam dalam pemeriksaan radioaktiviti persekitaran

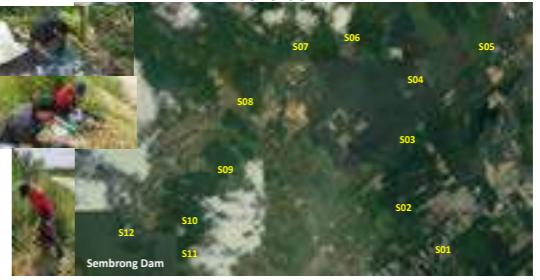
Keperluan untuk wujudkan pengkalan data/kemaskini kepekatan radionuklid terestrial.

Malaysia masih kurang maklumat berkenaan :

- i) taburan kepekatan radionuklid terestrial/daratan
- ii) pengkalan data mengenai analisis risiko radiologi dan kesihatan

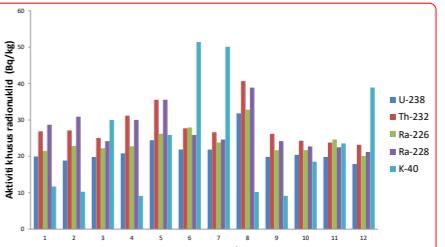
Asas untuk mengesas sebarang aktiviti pencemaran radioaktif pada masa hadapan di kawasan kajian.

METODOLOGI



Rajah 1: Lokasi stesen persampelan

Rajah 2: Kepakatan aktiviti khusus radionuklid (Bq/kg) untuk sampel tanah/sedimen



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KESAN UMUR INOKULUM TERHADAP PENGHASILAN BIOJISIM CENDAWAN TIRAM MERAH JAMBU (*Pleurotus flabellatus*) DALAM FERMENTASI KULTUR TENGGELAM

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BAHAN DAN KAEADAH

Bahan Kajian

- Miselium cendawan tiram merah jambu (*P.flabellatus*)
- Bioreaktor angkut udara

Kaedah

P.flabellatus akan dikultur di dalam kelalang kon dan seterusnya di pindahkan ke dalam bioreaktor angkut udara. Berat miselium yang dihasilkan akan dikerangkan dan ditimbang.



ABSTRAK

Biojism dihasilkan menggunakan bioreaktor angkut udara dalam fermentasi kultur tenggelam. Bagi aplikasi kosmoseutikal, biojism akan diekstrak untuk menghasilkan polisakarida. Penghasilan miselium ini perlu dibuat kawalan kualiti supaya produk polisakarida dapat dihasilkan dengan konsisten dan mengikut spesifikasi. Oleh itu, tujuan kajian ini dilakukan adalah untuk mengkaji kadar pertumbuhan dan penghasilan miselium di dalam bioreaktor angkut udara (5 L). Inokulum dalam kelalang gongcangan dengan umur kultur yang berbeza iaitu 0, 2, 4, 6 dan 8 minggu digunakan untuk penghasilan biojism dalam bioreaktor angkut udara. Hasil berat kering biojism akan ditimbang selepas pengeringan dalam ketuhar. Analisis statistik menunjukkan bahawa umur inokulum tidak mempengaruhi penghasilan biojism miselium dengan signifikan. Ini menunjukkan umur kultur dari 2 hingga 8 minggu boleh digunakan untuk penghasilan biojism secara konsisten dan tidak mempengaruhi hasil dengan signifikan. Oleh itu, proses kawalan kualiti hasil boleh dilaksanakan dengan efektif.

PENGENALAN

Cendawan tiram adalah diantara spesies cendawan yang digunakan dalam pelbagai bidang nutraceutical, farmaseutikal dan kosmoseutikal. Dalam penyelidikan ini teknik nuklear dialokasikan dalam penyenggaraan jasad buah, pencirian bahan dan ujian fotoprotektif. Kaedah fermentasi tenggelam dipilih kerana penghasilan biojism dan polisakarida dapat dihasilkan dalam masa yang lebih singkat berbanding fermentasi substrat pepejal. Walaubagaimanapun dalam kajian ini kaedah fermentasi substrat pepejal digunakan bagi penyenggaraan kultur. Setakat ni kajian menunjukkan polisakarida yang dihasilkan paling berpotensi untuk dikembangkan dalam bidang kosmoseutikal. Penghasilan biojism dan polisakarida dari bioreaktor menunjukkan hasil yang memberangsangkan. Oleh itu, bagi merancang projek ke peringkat seterusnya pada skala yang lebih besar, proses kawalan kualiti adalah penting. Pelbagai aspek kawalan kualiti perlu dibuat kajian lanjut. Kajian ini memfokuskan kepada faktor umur inokulum terhadap penghasilan biojism. Proses permindahan teknologi juga sedang dalam proses perancangan dan pelaksanaan.

HASIL DAN PERBINCANGAN

Jadual 1. Produktiviti penghasilan biojism berdasarkan usia kultur inokulum

Usia Kultur (Minggu)	Berat Purata (gram)	Sisihan Piawai	Produktiviti (g/L.d)
0	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	18.71	2.74	1.87
4	14.41	3.10	1.44
6	13.85	0.82	1.39
8	14.41	3.10	1.44

Jadual 2. Analisis statistik ANOVA bagi penghasilan biojism *P.flabellatus*

Total	
N	15
Purata/Min	12.277
Sisihan Piawai	6.896
Nilai P	0.946
Nilai Nisbah F	0.055

Perbincangan : Seperti yang ditunjukkan di dalam jadual 2, nilai P adalah 0.946. Maka keputusan ini adalah tidak signifikan kerana p adalah lebih besar daripada 0.05

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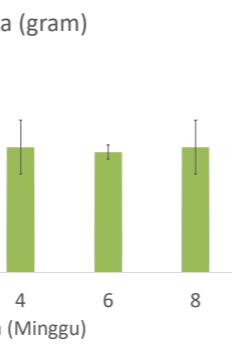
Keputusan menunjukkan bahawa perbezaan usia kultur tidak mempengaruhi produktiviti biojism miselium *P. flabellatus* di dalam bioreaktor angkut udara dan kawalan kualiti terhadap penghasilan biojism produk akan menjadi lebih efisien.

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INTRODUCTION TO ULTRAVIOLET-VISIBLE (UV-Vis) SPECTROSCOPY

Abstract
UV-Vis spectroscopy are usually use for optic measurement due to low cost, sensitive and non-destructive technique. UV-Vis spectroscopy is a quantitative technique used to measure the amount of photons (intensity of light) in term of absorption after it pass through the sample. By absorption of light energy, electron are excited from ground state to an excited state. Absorption spectra are determine ranging from 200-800 nm. From absorption spectra, energy band gap are calculated.
Keyword: Absorption, energy band gap

Introduction

- UV-Vis spectroscopy is an important analytical technique that refers to absorption or reflectance spectroscopy in the ultraviolet-visible spectral region (Figure 1).

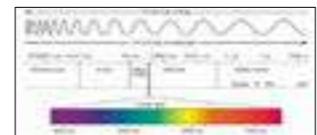
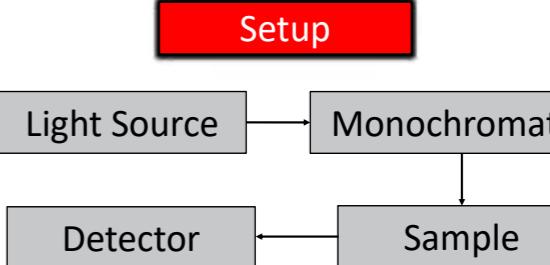


Figure 1: The visible spectrum (390 – 780 nm) represents only a small portion of the whole electromagnetic spectrum

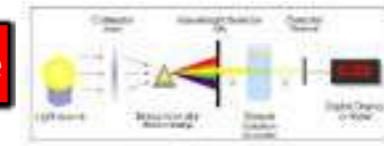
- Range of wavelength in UV-Vis spectroscopy (Table 1)

Table 1: Range of wavelength in UV-Vis spectroscopy

Type of Radiation	Wavelength Range (nm)
Far ultra-violet (UV)	10-200
Near ultra-violet (UV)	200-390
Visible (Vis)	390-780



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A STUDY OF RADIONUCLIDES MEASURED IN SURFACE AIR IN TANAH RATA, CAMERON HIGHLANDS, PAHANG IN 2020

KAJIAN PENGUKURAN RADIONUKLID DI PERMUKAAN UDARA DI TANAH RATA, CAMERON HIGHLANDS, PAHANG SEPANJANG TAHUN 2020

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ABSTRACT

The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) is a multilateral agreement that prohibits any nuclear explosion, whether for military or civilian purposes. The treaty is supported by a network of International Monitoring Systems (IMS), including radionuclide monitoring stations. Malaysia is the Member State of CTBT and hosts the Radionuclide Monitoring Station (Station Code: RN42) in Tanah Rata, Cameron Highlands, Pahang. Continuous daily measurements at RN42 have been an invaluable resource for understanding the variation of natural radioactivity in that area. This study analyses radionuclide measured at the surface air in Tanah Rata, Cameron Highlands, Pahang via RN42 station in 2020. The results show that most of the radionuclide measurements in RN42 are categorised as a natural background. However, throughout 2020, the station has several times measured radionuclides with anomalous concentrations. The significant findings may form the basis for further studies on local radiological impact assessment as well as the development of baseline radiological data.

INTRODUCTION

- The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) is a multilateral treaty that bans all nuclear explosions
- Under the CTBT, 321 monitoring stations and 16 laboratories are being set up worldwide encompassing 4 monitoring technologies namely seismic, hydroacoustic, infrasound and radionuclide
- The main function of these stations is to detect global nuclear explosion
- Malaysia is a Member State to CTBT and hosts one radionuclide monitoring station (site code: RN42) in Tanah Rata, Pahang since 2010
- RN42 perform continuous daily measurements of atmospheric radionuclide particulates indicative of a nuclear explosion
- Apart from monitoring nuclear tests, the monitoring data could also be used for civil and scientific purposes
- This study is performed by the Malaysian CTBT National Data Centre (MY-NDC) to analyses the trend of radionuclides measured at the surface air at RN42 station in Tanah Rata, Cameron Highlands, Pahang in 2020

METHOD

Site Description	
Station Code: RN42	
Location: Tanah Rata, Pahang	
Elevation: 1545 m above sea level	

Figure 1. Location of RN42

Sample collection, analysis and categorisation

- RN42 is equipped with a high-volume air sampler
- Air was forced through an air filter for 24 hours
- Then, the filter was compressed to 5cm diameter disc and was placed in sample holder to allow for decay for 24 hours
- Next, the filter was analysed using HPGe for 24 hours
- The gamma spectra was sent to International Data centre (IDC) in Vienna for sample analysis and categorisation (Figure 2)

Figure 2. Categorisation scheme for particulates samples

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    A[Sample collection at RN42] --> B[Gamma spectra at RN42 were sent to IDC]
    B --> C[MY-NDC extract result from RRR and analyse]
    C --> D[ICD analyses the spectra and publish in RRR]
    
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Figure 3. The overall process from sample collection to trend analysis

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Radionuclide categorisation

- Most of the measurements were categorised as Level 1 (typical background) (Figure 4)
- No measurements of Level 2, Level 5 and uncategorised data (NC) were recorded
- A small portion of unavailable data (NA) was recorded in January, September and November 2020 (Figure 5)
- Level 4 samples were detected from May until December 2020 except in July and November 2020

Figure 4. The overall categorisation at RN42 in 2020

Figure 5. Distribution of categorisation levels at RN42 in 2020 by months

Historical comparison for samples with measurement category of Level 4 and 5

- 3 radionuclides with anomalous concentrations were identified as the contributor to Level 4 in 2020, namely Sodium-24 (Na-24), Cesium-137 (Cs-137) and Iodine-131 (I-131)
- Comparison with historical measurements (1 Jan 2010-31 Dec 2019) in Figure 6 showed that:
 - historical concentrations of Na-24 were between 12 to 16 $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{m}^3$ and Level 4 measurements of Na-24 in 2020 fall within the range of historical detections
 - historical concentrations of Cs-137 were between 0.6 to 2 $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{m}^3$ and detection of Cs-137 is very rare with the last detection was recorded only in April 2011
 - historical concentrations of I-131 were between 2 to 3 $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{m}^3$ and detection of I-131 is very rare with the last detection was recorded only in April 2011

Figure 6. Comparison of concentration of Na-24 Cs-137 and I-31 detected in 2020 (orange dots) with historical measurements (blue dots)

CONCLUSION

- Throughout 2020, RN42 had operated almost every day with a data availability rate of 97%
- Most of the radionuclide measurements at RN42 were categorised as Level 1 (typical background)
- Out of the total of 354 samples, 11 samples were categorised as Level 4 due to anomalous concentrations of Na-24, Cs-137 and I-131
- The rare detections of fission products namely Cs-137 and I-131 in the sample spectra have demanded a separate study to investigate the possible source of these radionuclides

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TENTUKURAN ALAT PEMBACA TLD MODEL 5500 MENGGUNAKAN DOSIMETER CIP TLD 100 (CALIBRATION OF TLD READER MODEL 5500 USING TLD 100 CHIP DOSIMETER)

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ABSTRAK

SSDL, Agensi Nuklear Malaysia pada bulan Februari 2021 telah menerima satu unit alat pembaca TLD Model 5500 yang telah diperbaiki oleh pembekal iaitu Thermofisher Scientific, bagi memastikan alat pembaca TLD ini berfungsi dengan baik dan boleh digunakan untuk analisa chip TLD . SSDL telah melaksanakan proses tentukan pada alat pembaca menggunakan chip TLD 100 (LiF:Mg,Ti) sebanyak 50 unit. Cip TLD 100 ini telah disalin kepada punca gama Cs-137 pada jarak 2.0 meter yang telah ditetapkan nilai Kadar Kerma Udara (nGy/minit) menggunakan kubuk pengionan rujukan SSDL. Cip TLD 100 yang telah disalin akan dianalisa oleh alat pembaca TLD Model 5500 mengikut 3 fungsi berikut iaitu Generate Calibration Dosimeter, Calibration Reader dan Calibration Dosimeter. Poster ini memperincikan carta alir tentang tentukan alat pembaca TLD model 5500 ini.

PENGENALAN

Sebelum Pembaca TLD Model 5500 dibalik, kaedah tentukan yang digunakan oleh pembaca ini adalah kaedah Tentukan Individu. Oleh itu, bagi meningkat kualiti kerja harian di Makmal Standard Dosimetri Sekunder (SSDL), kaedah tentukan diubah dari kaedah Tentukan Individu ke kaedah Tentukan Berkelompok. Perbezaan di antara Tentukan Individu dan Tentukan Berkelompok adalah segi pemilihan faktor Tentukan, Calibration Factor (CF) dan faktor Tentukan Pembaca, Reader Calibration Factor (RCF). Bagi Tentukan Individu, setiap cip TLD100 perlu dicari nilai CF kerana setiap cip TLD100 mempunyai nilai CF yang tersendiri. Tentukan Berkelompok hanya memilih sebilangan cip yang mempunyai peratusan ralat terbaik sebagai nilai faktor tentukan kumpulan atau dinamakan faktor Tentukan Pembaca, Reader Calibration Factor, (RCF). Nilai RCF ini akan digunakan sebagai pekali untuk mendapatkan nilai dosis yang diukur oleh setiap TLD yang telah ditentukan secara berkelompok. Hasilnya, nilai bacaan setiap TLD dalam bentuk dos, Sievert (Sv).

OBJETIF

- Menentukan nilai Pe kali Pembetulan Elemen, Element Correction Coefficients, (ECC) untuk setiap cip TLD
- Menentukan peratusan ECC terbaik yang akan dipilih sebagai Reader Calibration Factor (RCF).
- Menentukan semua cip yang dikategorikan sebagai Calibration Dosimeter termasuk dalam julat $\pm 30\%$ untuk ditandakan sebagai kategori Field Card.

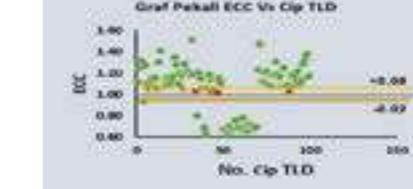
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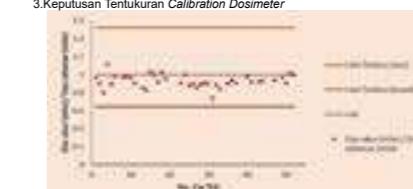
1. Keputusan Tentukan Generate Calibration Dosimeter



2. Keputusan Tentukan Calibration Reader

CIP TLD	Elemen (nC)	RCF (nC/mSv)
0007	37.282	0.0075
0012	38.359	0.0077
0027	34.848	0.0070
0034	38.664	0.0077
0038	36.441	0.0073
0042	34.699	0.0069
0045	34.598	0.0069
0046	33.42	0.0067
0048	34.697	0.0069
0089	37.518	0.0075
Purata RCF		0.0072

3. Keputusan Tentukan Calibration Dosimeter



KESIMPULAN

- Kesemua cip TLD yang berjumlah 50 telah berjaya ditentukan secara berkelompok di mana hanya 10 cip dipilih sebagai RCF.
- Ujian Tentukan Dosimeter terhadap 40 cip TLD menunjukkan kesemuanya berada di dalam julat yang ditetapkan oleh SSDL iaitu $\pm 30\%$ dan dikategorikan sebagai Field Card.

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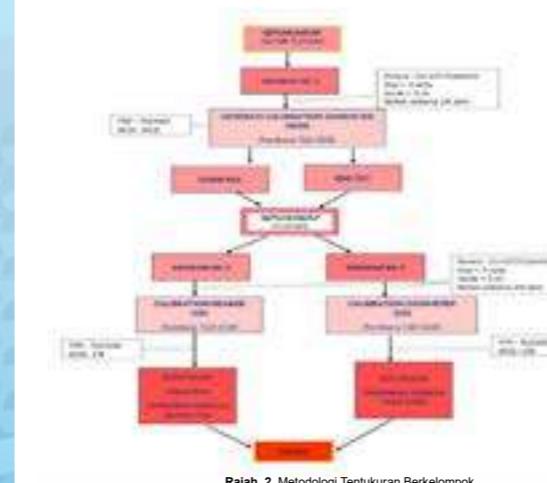
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GAMMA IRRADIATED CHITOSAN AS DIETARY SUPPLEMENT FOR TILAPIA AND CRUSTACEAN

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INTRODUCTION

Chitosan obtained from deacetylation of chitin is irradiated under gamma irradiation to produce low molecular weight oligo chitosan as a dietary supplement for tilapia and crustacean

OBJECTIVE

- To produce tilapia and crustacean dietary supplement from low molecular weight chitosan
- To enhance growth and immunity system of tilapia and crustacean

EXPERIMENTAL

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

WAY FORWARD

CONCLUSION

Chitosan irradiated at 25 kGy is applicable for use as diet supplement for tilapia and crustacean with encouraging growth rate and immunity

- Development of fish/crustacean dietary supplement from irradiated chitosan
- Enhanced growth performance
- Optimized protein efficiency ratio (PER)
- Improved feed conversion ratio (FCR)
- Reduced mortality

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STUDY ON ULTRAVIOLET (UV) RADIATION SAFETY

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ABSTRACT

According to International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), Ultraviolet (UV) radiation is the band of non-ionizing radiation in the electromagnetic spectrum that located next to ionizing radiation. UV radiation is in the range of 400nm – 100nm and is the dividing line between ionizing and non-ionizing radiation. The lower energies band in the UV is non-ionizing radiation while the higher energies is ionizing radiation. However, there is no clear evidence on classification of UV radiation as ionizing radiation. The source of UV radiation is from the sun and artificial man-made. There are three classification of UV radiation, which are: UVA (400 – 315nm), UVB (315 – 280nm) and UVC (280 – 100nm). This classification is depending on the wavelength of UV radiation. UV radiation from the sun do give benefit to human by providing Vitamin D, but as the ozone layer becomes thin, more harmful UV can reach the earth. The application of UV radiation is in the commercial, industry and medical. UV radiation widely used for illumination, lighted signs, backlighting, UV curing, tanning, phototherapy and germicidal. Compare to the ionizing radiation, UV radiation has a low power of penetration, therefore the health effect limited to the skin and eyes. For protection on UV radiation, ICNIRP recommends standard protective clothing and application of sunscreen for outdoor occupational and for indoor occupational that dealing with artificial UV radiation, safety precautions include, structural measures, administrative controls and personal protective equipment must be applied. It is impossible for people to avoid UV radiation completely, but the awareness on the safety of UV radiation must be made to avoid any excessive exposure of UV radiation.

INTRODUCTION

- Ultraviolet radiation (UVR) is define as an invisible ray that are part of the energy that comes from the sun and man-made sources
- The International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiating Protection (ICNIRP) published a Guidelines on Limits of Exposure to Ultraviolet Radiation of Wavelengths between 180 nm and 400 nm (Incoherent Optical Radiation).
- ICNIRP suggest a value of exposure limit in term of irradiance and the permissible exposure duration as a guideline for UVR safety.

OBJECTIVE

- To create awareness on Ultraviolet Radiation (UVR) Safety
- To disseminate information on the exposure limit of UVR as given by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiating Protection (ICNIRP)

UVR CLASSIFICATION		
Type of UVR	Wavelength (nm)	Health Effect
UVA	315 - 400	Cataracts of lens, skin cancer, retinal burns
UVB	280 - 315	Corneal injuries, cataracts of lens, photo keratitis, erythema, skin cancer
UVC	100 - 280	Corneal injuries, erythema, skin cancer

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UV Safety Assessment on consumer product

UV PERSONNEL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE) must be use by the personnel handling any UVR source to avoid any unnecessary exposure. The PPE as follow:

- Gloves
- Lab Coat
- UV Face Shield

Exposure limit = $E_{\text{eff}} = \sum E_{\lambda} \cdot S(\lambda) \cdot \Delta \lambda$

CONCLUSION

Safety on UVR must be taken seriously. All necessary precaution must be taken prior to the usage of UVR. Awareness on safety of UVR should be made as a constant realization of every personnel dealing with UVR. The safety assessment on UVR is one of tool for UVR Safety.

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The Effect of Different Sol-gel Concentration on Preparation of Silica and Titania Nanofibrous Mats via Electrospinning Process

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ABSTRACT

Nano scale fibrous mats of SiO₂ and TiO₂ with various compositions of viscosity and different voltages have been prepared by electrospinning a sol-gel precursor of tetraethyl orthosilicate(TEOS) and titanium(IV) isopropoxide(TiP). Different concentrations of polymer precursor were studied. Distance tip to collector of 15cm, applied voltages of 17.5v, and flow rate of 0.003 ml/h were fixed for entire electrospinning process. The morphology of nanofibrous mats were evaluated versus different solution concentrations. The as-spun nanofibrous mats were characterized by SEM. Results showed that the average fiber diameter decreases with decreasing of Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP) solution concentration. At 5%wt, both electrospinning of Silica and Titania failed to produce nanofibrous mats without beading formed on fibers. Clear nanofibrous mats were achieved for both Silica and Titania at 10%wt with fixed 15cm of tip to collector distance, 17.5v of applied voltages, and 0.003ml/h of flow rate.

INTRODUCTION

The main interest in this study which is mechanical morphology of nanofibrous mats plays an important role in the applicability of nanofibrous mats in many promising fields. For electrospun nanofibrous mats, the chosen solution and process parameters, such as the distance between tip and the collector, applied voltage, and flow rate are accompanied by a certain level of morphological properties. Effective control of these parameters would enable one to achieve optimal nanofibrous mats.

OBJECTIVE

Study the effects of solution concentration on the morphology of the electrospun nanofibrous mats. A potential application of the nanofiber mats would be in food packaging where polymer films currently dominate.

METHODS AND MATERIALS

Materials

Tetraethyl orthosilicate(TEOS) and titanium(IV) isopropoxide(TiP) with a reagent grade of 99% from Sigma Aldrich were used as the source of Silica and Titania precursor. For polymer precursor, high molecular weight Polyvinylpyrrolidone (Mw 1300000) was purchased from Sigma Aldrich alongside nitric acid (HNO₃) and ethyl acetacetate which also obtained from Sigma Aldrich.

Sol-gel preparation

To simplify the condition for analysis, a typical procedure was selected, different concentration of polymer solutions (5%wt, 10%wt, 15%wt) was prepared by adding Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP) into ethanol with stirring for 2h at 50°C. As preparation of Silica and Titania precursor, initially a numbers of gram of precursor of tetraethyl orthosilicate(TEOS) and titanium(IV) isopropoxide(TiP) were added into 10ml of deionize water under stirring process. Then, a few drop of ethyl acetacetate were added and the stirring process was continued for 16hours. Both solution then were transferred into glass beaker for mixing process of 2h at 50°C.

Electrospinning

Each solutions were transferred into plastic syringe equipped with a 23-gauge needle. The needles were connected to a voltage supply which is capable of generating DC voltage as high as 25kV. In a typical procedure the distance between the needle and collection screen was fixed at 15cm. The relative humidity was controlled between 50 and 60% at room temperature. Throughout the entire electrospinning process, the voltage and flowrate was kept constant at 17.5kV and 0.003ml/h of different polymer concentrations.

Characterization

The morphology of fibers was examined by scanning electron microscopy (SEM)

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Beaded fibers was formed at low concentration of sol-gel (5%wt) for both Silica (a) and Titania (b) electrospun mats. This is due to the insufficient amount of viscoelastic force to overcome the repulsive forces of charge. Fluids with low relaxation time or low extensional viscosity tend to result in beads formation due to Rayleigh instability driven by surface tension. To overcome beading effect, polymer concentration were increased to 10%wt. As result of increasing concentration to 10%wt, the effect of bead formation on the fibers were reduced for both Silica (c) and Titania (d). At higher concentration of polymer (15%), stack fibers formed on both Silica (e) and Titania (f). Due to its large diameter size, it's not suitable for fabrication of nanofibrous mats. Based on the morphological result, 10% polymer concentration were selected as the most suitable sol-gel concentration for both Silica and Titania.

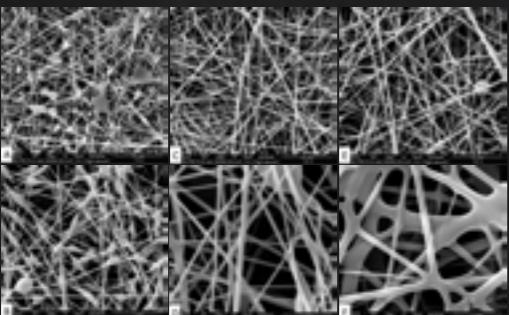
In conclusion, it has been shown that solution concentration has a serious effect on the final size of fibers and distribution of particles. In this study of producing Silica and Titania nanofibrous mats from aqueous solutions of 1300000 molecular weight PVP, concentrations in the range of 5-15%wt produced fibers. Beaded fiber structure was obtained at lower polymer concentration (5%wt) but an increase in the polymer concentration to 10%wt yielded bead-free fibers, which indicates that a high viscosity is required to obtain uniform Silica and Titania nanofibrous mats.

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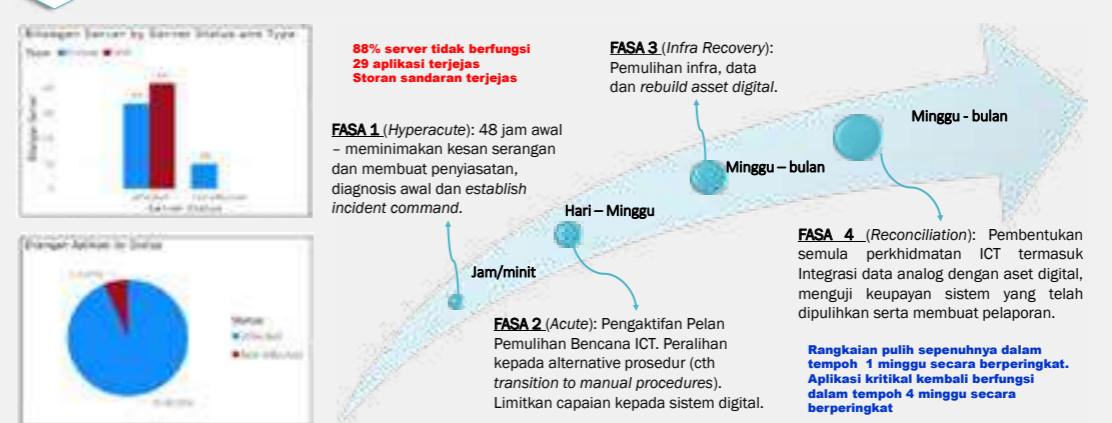
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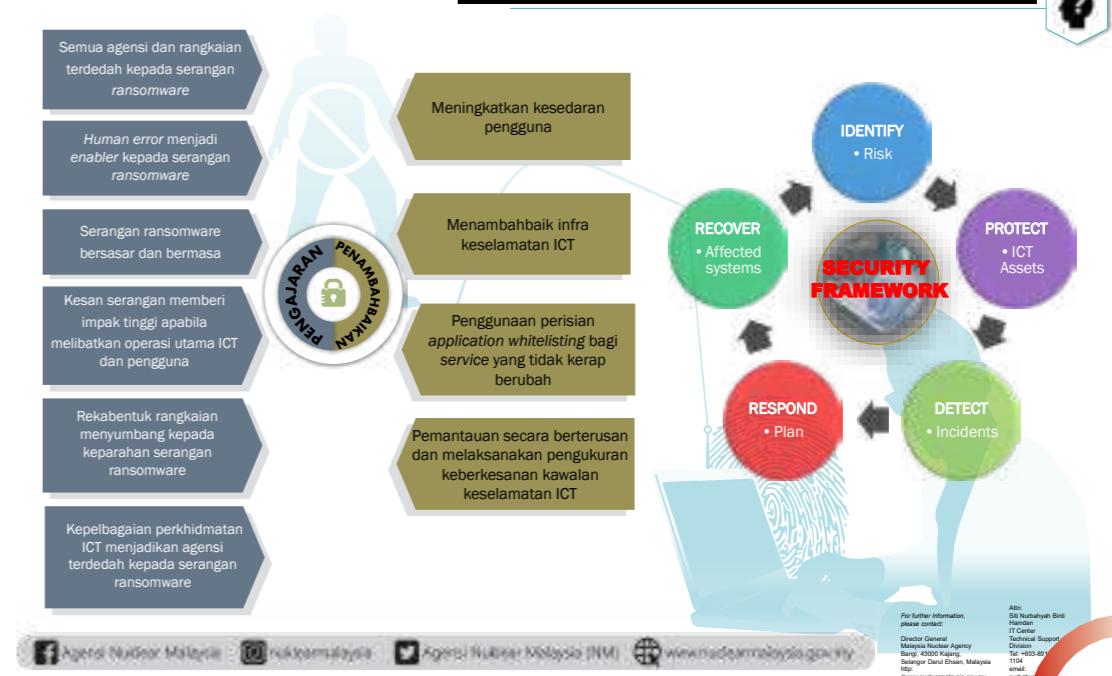
Abstrak

Pada pertengahan Mei 2020, Pusat data Agensi Nuklear Malaysia telah diserang oleh ransomware dari varian Dharma. Serangan ini menjadikan hampir 90 peratus server utama agensi termasuk storan sandaran. Berikut itu, hampir 94 peratus aplikasi utama agensi telah terganggu. Ini merupakan serangan malware pertama dan pasukan pemulihan bencana ICT telah mengambil masa hampir 4 minggu untuk memulihkan aplikasi-aplikasi utama agensi seperti e-SSL, e-Client, laman web dan lain-lain secara berperingkat mengikut pelan pemulihan bencana ICT agensi. Anggaran implikasi kewangan akibat dari serangan ini mencecah hampir RM700,000.00 yang melibatkan kos kehilangan data dan kos pemulihan server-server yang terjejas. Kertas kerja ini akan membincangkan pengajaran yang diperolehi dari serangan ransomware ini terutama dari aspek kawalan keselamatan siber dan pelan pemulihan bencana ICT yang telah dijalankan.

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USE OF NANODOT OPTIC STIMULUS LIGHTING DOSIMETER (OSL) IN TESTING TO VERIFY THE FUNCTIONALITY OF RADIATION APPARATUS IN AELB CASE FOR CASE OF VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF ACT 304

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Abstract:

The Malaysian Nuclear Agency's role is to assist Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) in providing technical services for testing the functionality of irradiation apparatus for cases to be prosecuted for violation of Act 304. Among the common offenses committed by consumers is selling, possessing, and operating irradiation apparatus without a valid license. The Malaysian Nuclear Agency's role is to assist Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) in providing technical services for testing the functionality of irradiation apparatus for cases to be prosecuted for violation of Act 304. Among the common offenses committed by consumers is selling, possessing, and operating irradiation apparatus without a valid license. A qualified specialist performed the technical test to determine whether the case item could emit ionizing radiation and function properly as a radiation device. Active and passive dosimeters such as survey meters, TLD dosimeters, OSL dosimeters, and diagnostic radiology films are among the options used for validation testing. However, the OSL nanoDot dosimeter is the most practical and effective because it is easy to use and compatible with all irradiation apparatus tested. The advantages of using OSL nanoDot dosimeter for the confirmation test of the presence of ionizing radiation are presented further in this paper.

Keywords: Act 304, Dosimeter, Optically Stimulated Luminescence (OSL) nanoDot, Ionizing Radiation

INTRODUCTION

Malaysian Nuclear Agency serves as the national technical support organization in assisting the Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) in enforcing act 304 on radiation protection in our country. Every year there are many violations of the atomic energy licensing act 1984 (Act 304) and will be investigated by the AELB. The AELB will obtain technical assistance from the Malaysian Nuclear Agency to conduct tests to verify the functionality of the irradiation apparatus used by the companies concerned. Appropriate dosimetry is essential to obtain correct and accurate results to verify the functionality of these irradiation apparatuses. It is crucial because the AELB prosecuting officer will use the results of this test for the prosecution process in court. From observation, not all dosimeters testing could potentially use in ionizing radiation verification in industrial conditions.

MATERIALS AND METHOD

- The testers consist of senior research officers and have specific skills such as having a radiation protection certificate for officers and testers recommended by Nuclear Malaysia RPO
- Used appropriate active and passive types dosimeter
- Survey meter, TLD dosimeter, OSL dosimeter, diagnostic radiology film, film badge are standard dosimeters used in radiation monitoring
- The suitability of using these dosimeters depends on the types of radiation and the suitability of the irradiation equipment tested.

Figure 1: Examples of irradiation apparatus in various industrial sectors in Malaysia

Figure 2: Type of dosimeter used in the testing

Figure 3: Method of installing various dosimeter into a space of radiation apparatus

Figure 4: OSL dosimeter size

Figure 5: Advantages of an OSL nanoDot dosimeter mounted on an apparatus with limited irradiation space

CONCLUSION

Using OSL nanoDot dosimeter is the best and most practical way in industry testing verification. The miniature physical size of the dosimeter is an advantage as it can be used for testing on all types of irradiation apparatus and can detect small amounts of dose.

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Raman Spectroscopy for Graphene Analysis

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Abstract

Raman spectroscopy application has been developed to determine **graphene quality**. The spectra of graphene and graphite samples has been characterized by 532 nm laser wavelength. The Integral intensities and full width half maximum (FWHM) of the bands assigned to the vibrations of graphitic band (G band) and defect band (D band) were used to calculate the graphene layers and its quality. This technique is quick and no extra preparation needed.

A Brief History

- In 1928, C. V. Raman and K. F. Krishnan **discovered Raman** [1].
- For this finding, C. V. Raman was awarded the **Nobel Prize in physics**.
- In 1930s, Raman was recognized as **nondestructive chemical analysis**.
- In 2004, the novel advanced material, **graphene, first reported in Science** [2].
- Graphene consists of **single molecular layers of highly crystalline graphite**.
- It is the basic structural element of some carbon allotropes, including graphite, carbon nanotubes and fullerenes.

Raman Benefits

- Nondestructive technique.
- No sample preparation.
- Performed directly through transparent containers.
- Used for qualitative and quantitative analysis.
- Able to differentiate molecules in chemical species that are very similar.
- Fast analysis times.

Methodology (Renishaw InVia Confocal Raman Spectrometer)

Raman Spectral Information

- Molecular fingerprint** – each molecule and chemical species has its own unique Raman spectrum.
- Allow us to develop databases of known standard that can later be used for **identification or verification of unknowns**.
- Structural information** – every single bands related to a specific vibrational, rotational or low-frequency mode.

Results and Discussion

- Graphene has **excellent properties** to be applied in various areas such as printed electronics, conductive coatings and polymer-based composite fillers [2].
- Graphene is a **2-dimensional (2-D)** carbon materials, where as graphite consist **multi-layer** of carbon materials (Fig. 1).

Fig. 1 Diagram of graphite and graphene materials.

Looking at this potential, MTEG has developed a method to differentiate the graphite and graphene using Raman spectroscopy.

There are three bands commonly recorded [3] shown in Fig. 2:

- D peak (1351 cm^{-1}), defect peak;
- G peak (1586 cm^{-1}), graphitic signature of carbon;
- 2D peak (2697 cm^{-1}), 2nd order disorder mode(2D) for carbon nano material.

The ratio I_{2D}/I_G of these bands for **high quality (defect free)** single layer graphene will be seen to be **equal to 2**.

Fig. 2 Raman spectrum of graphite and graphene using 532 nm laser.

Conclusions

Raman spectroscopy is the best instrument for the **graphene quality** analysis and in specific, this technique **can differentiate** either it is **single, bi-layer or multi-layer carbon materials**.

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How important Raman analysis to characterize carbon materials?

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KESAN PERBEZAAN PENGGUNAAN JENIS ALAS TROLI YANG BERBEZA TERHADAP SINARAN ALUR ELEKTRON KETIKA PENYINARAN SILIKON WAFER

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ABSTRAK

ALURTRON merupakan salah sebuah pusat khidmat di Agensi Nuklear Malaysia yang menawarkan khidmat penyinaran alur elektron. Terdapat pelbagai produk yang ditarik ke ALURTRON untuk penyinaran termasuk produk silikon wafer (Si wafer). Produk ini menggunakan hampir 60% masa operasi ALURTRON setiap tahun. Dalam kajian ini, parameter mesin EPS-3000 yang digunakan adalah 3 MeV, 2 mA dengan kelajuan troli 0.94 m/min. Tiga alas troli yang digunakan ialah papan lapis, wire mesh dan stainless steel. Dos yang digunakan adalah di antara 90 kGy sehingga 110 kGy. Dos bacaan terserap oleh sampel diukur menggunakan dosimeter CTA. Kedudukan dosimeter diletakkan pada kedudukan berbeza A1 & A2. Didapati, bacaan CTA adalah seragam apabila menggunakan wire mesh berbanding papan lapis dan stainless steel.

JENIS ALAS TROLI

Alas troli papan lapis Alas troli wire mesh
Alas troli stainless steel

PERALATAN

Thermometer infrared Dosimeter
Pelekat suhu Pelekat suhu

KEPUTUSAN

Kedudukan A1		Kedudukan A2			
Purata	106.2	99.2	Purata	108.2	99.3
Minimum	101.0	97.5	Minimum	103.0	94.4
maksimum	111.0	101.0	maksimum	114.0	106.0

Kedudukan A1		Kedudukan A2			
Purata	106.6	100.9	Purata	108.2	99.3
Minimum	103.0	98.5	Minimum	103.0	94.4
maksimum	111.0	105.0	maksimum	114.0	106.0

Kelajuan troli : 0.94 m/min
Laluan: 20 kGy per laluan

KESIMPULAN

Ujian telah Berjaya dilakukan keatas silikon wafer dengan parameter mesin ialah 3 MeV, 20 MA , dos serapan 100kGy dengan kelajuan 0.94m/min. Ujian ini menggunakan 5 laluan dengan setiap laluan menghasilkan 20 kGy. Hasil daripada kajian ini, didapati bacaan CTA adalah seragam apabila menggunakan wire mesh berbanding papan lapis dan stainless steel. Keadaan ini membolehkan AURTRON menukar penggunaan papan lapis kepada wire mesh dan stainless steel. Hasil daripada kajian ini juga didapati kedudukan CTA pada A2 bacaan yang diterima adalah lebih stabil dan konsisten berbanding kedudukan A1.

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APA ITU ALAT BIO BEAM GAMMA CELL

Kebut penyinaran Gamma BioBeam GM8000 mula beroperasi sepenuhnya pada 13 Disember 2012. Spesifikasi alat ini telah disesuaikan untuk penyinaran akut sampel biologi termasuk sampel tumbuhan, mikroorganisma, serangga, sel haiwan serta manusia. Bagi kajian biak baka mutasi, penyinaran boleh dibuat ke atas pelbagai sampel tanaman seperti keratan batang, biji benih, bebabang, rizom dan kultur tisu

Kerja-kerja penyenggaraan berkala perlu dilakukan bagi memastikan alat tersebut dapat berfungsi dengan baik.

OBJKTIF

- Penyenggaraan Komprehensif telah dilaksanakan di Agensi Nuklear Malaysia dengan tujuan :-
➤ Menangani masalah-masalah yang dikenal pasti wujud
➤ Memastikan peralatan saintifik/nuklear boleh digunakan sepanjang masa
- Bahan dan kaedah:-
➤ Melaksanakan audit untuk mengenalpasti masalah sedia ada
➤ Melaksanakan proses baikpulih untuk membaki apa-apa kerosakan
➤ Melaksanakan penyenggaraan berkala bagi memastikan alat Bio Beam Gamma Cell dan aksesori berada dalam keadaan sempurna
➤ Memberi respon yang pantas terhadap setiap aduan kerosakan dan melaksanakan proses baikpulih

OPERASI DAN PENJAGAAN

- Memastikan bekalan kuasa pada alat sentiasa berada dalam keadaan baik. (UPS juga sentiasa berkeadaan baik).
- Belt dan gear motor yang digunakan untuk membuka shutter pada alat perlu dalam keadaan baik bagi mengelakkan shutter tersangkul.
- Memastikan semua sensor pada alat menyala dengan baik (warna hijau) sekiranya sensor tidak menyala maka sensor tersebut rosak.
- Memastikan paparan pada skrin berfungsi dengan baik kerana data-data penggunaan alat akan terpapar pada skrin tersebut.

IMPLIKASI / KESAN JIKA TIADA PM

Punca Utama Kerosakan Yang Dikenalpasti	Penyelesaian Yang Digunakan
Kerosakan pada sistem UPS	Menukar set bateri yang baru
Kerosakan pada bahagian belting yang mengeras	Menukar belting
Kerosakan pada bahagian shutter	Menukar bahagian motor
Kerosakan pada bahagian sensor yang tidak menyala.	Menukar sensor yang rosak.

KESIMPULAN

Aktiviti penyenggaraan berkala seperti ini haruslah diteruskan secara konsisten dan untuk tahun seterusnya untuk mendapatkan khidmat yang berkualiti. Ia menjadikan alat yang digunakan akan lebih tahan lama daripada mengalami kerosakan yang kronik.

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NUCLEAR MALAYSIA AGRONOMY PACKAGE FOR HIGH YIELD RICE PRODUCTION

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INTRODUCTION

In Malaysia, rice industry has always been a priority based on strategic importance of rice as a staple food commodity. Presently, Self-Sufficiency Level (SSL) rice production in Malaysia is 70%. Average rice production in Malaysia is about 3.4 million. Under National Key Economic Areas (NKEA), Ministry of Agriculture has targeted 50% for Malaysia by the year 2020. Many agencies under different ministry have carried out research to address the national food security issues. Under paddy program all products funding from Nuclear Technology Research which are suitable to be used in rice cultivation have been tested and evaluated. These products generated from land and technical assistance obtained from MOSTI and MAA has been identified and consolidated as NUCLEAR MALAYSIA AGRONOMY PACKAGE to increase rice productivity.

ISSUES AND CURRENT SCENARIO

- Current average rice yield of 4.20t (Avermico 2010)
- Self Sufficiency Level (SSL) = 70%
- Productivity in still low and unstable
- Biotic and abiotic stress - (drought, flood, disease and pests)
- Global climate change has limited the production
- Soil and water management
- Flood harvest losses of ~ 10 to 30%
- Wastely rice and seeds
- Quality seeds (selected and certified)
- Total population by the year 2020 = 35 Million

NOVELTY OF INNOVATIVENESS

- High yielding and well performed under aerobic condition
- The Nuclear Malaysia Agronomy Package has increased rice yield up to 30.5%
- The rice plant more resistant and resilience to blast disease
- Nutrient uptake efficiency is higher
- Increase soil fertility by the introduction biofertilizer
- Reduce yield loss during harvesting
- Water adaptability to stress condition without significantly affect on yield performance.

BENEFITS FROM INNOVATION

- Contribution to Self Sufficient Local rice production of Malaysian through higher rice productivity
- Increased farmers income without significant increases in production cost as compare to normal practice
- Rehabilitation farmers field through the introduction of chemical fertilizer
- Reduction of chemical usage especially fertilizer due to no grain seedling caused by Global Warming

COMPARISON BEFORE AND AFTER INNOVATION

BEFORE INNOVATION	AFTER INNOVATION
Yield per hectare = 6.2 t/ha Price for 1 hectare: RM 1,200 x 6.2 t/ha = RM 7,440.00	Yield per hectare = 9.0 t/ha Price for 1 hectare: RM 1,200 x 9.0 t/ha = RM 10,800.00 INCREASED FARMERS INCOME = RM 2.16 kha
Field Trial at Penang, Kuala Lumpur: Yield per hectare = 6.2 t/ha RM 1,200 x 6.2 t/ha = RM 7,440.00 RM 2,500.00 x 2.00 ha = RM 5,000.00	Field Trial at Penang, Kuala Lumpur: Yield per hectare = 9.0 t/ha RM 1,200 x 9.0 t/ha = RM 10,800.00 RM 5,000.00 x 2.00 ha = RM 22,000.00 INCREASED FARMERS INCOME = RM 6.48 kha Or 1 ha = RM 1000 per hectare RM 1000 x 2.00 ha = RM 2000.00
Field Trial at Kampung Ulu Ayer, Perak: Yield per hectare = 6.2 t/ha RM 1,200 x 6.2 t/ha = RM 7,440.00	Field Trial at Kampung Ulu Ayer, Perak: Yield per hectare = 7.2 t/ha RM 1,200 x 7.2 t/ha = RM 8,640.00 INCREASED FARMERS INCOME = RM 4.40 kha Or 1 ha = RM 1000 per hectare RM 1000 x 2.00 ha = RM 2000.00

NUCLEAR RICE BREEDING

Malaysian Agronomy package

Malaysia gets international award

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PROSES PEMBAIKBAKAAN VARIETI PADI IS21

PEDIGRI

Biji benih tersinar ditanam untuk penghasilan benih generasi M₁. Benih generasi M₂ dituai daripada populasi M₁.

20,000 populasi M₂ ditanam di rumah hijau 500 panikel peratus bernas tinggi dipilih setelah dirawat dengan tekanan air minima

- Saringan di sawah (simulasi kekurangan air : kemarau)
- 12 titisan berpotensi dipilih pada generasi M₄
- Saringan ulangan dan Ujian Verifikasi ketahanan kepada kemarau. Dua titisan berpotensi dipilih
- Ujian awal hasil dilajukan
- Pencirian molekul, ujian penyakit dan analisa kualiti beras
- Ujian multilokasi (MLT)
- Ujian penentusan setempat (LVT)

LOKASI PENGELOLAAN BENIH ASAS DAN PENGELUARAN PADI

Untuk Meningkatkan Kualiti Padi Nasional Malaysia sehingga 40,000 Kajang Selangor

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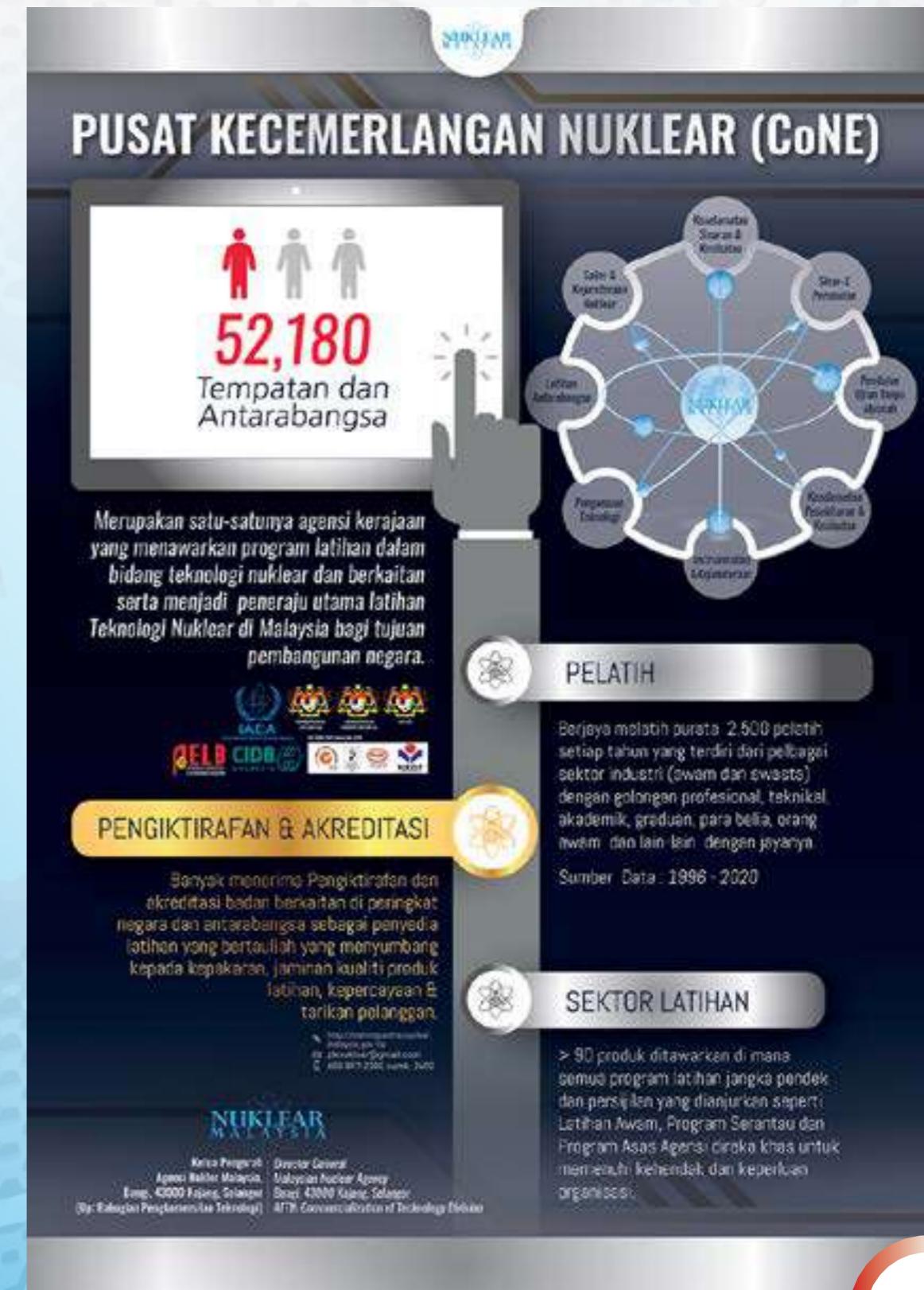
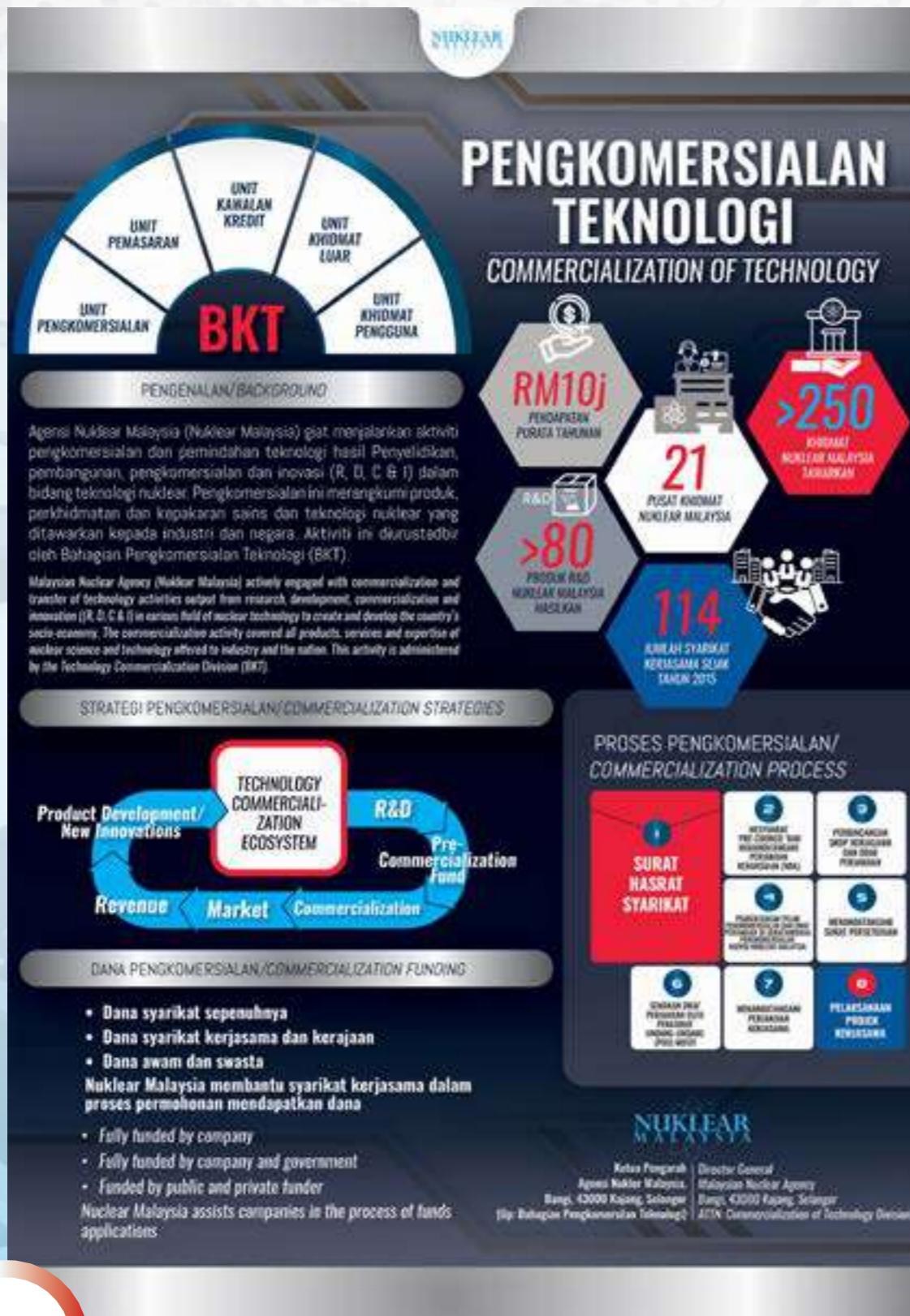
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SELANGOR INTERNATIONAL EXPO

Lembay(UV)ng
Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation Box

A series of UVGI box prototype was developed by Malaysian Nuclear Agency for rapid disinfection of PPE (personal protective equipment) at hospitals. It was initially meant to overcome the issue of PPE shortage at hospitals in Malaysia during the early Covid-19 outbreak in April 2019. The shortage triggered the need to make critical PPEs such as N95 face mask reusable.

The prototype which is dubbed as Lembay(UV)ng, is designed with a mask holder and equipped with top and bottom UV-C lightings for quick 5-minute disinfection. The holder can be fitted with wire mesh for disinfection of other tools and small items. At the moment, there are two available sizes (35L and 73.5 Liter capacity) for portability.

Reliable bacterial & fungal inactivation

Commercial product

Easy to Use

- User can simply place the PPE or other small item into the box
- Turn the switch On
- Wait for 5 minutes
- The PPE is then safe & ready to use!

Benefits

- Easy to operate
- Lightweight and portable
- Quick 5-minute disinfection
- Reliable bacterial & fungal disinfection with two UV-C lamps top & bottom
- Affordable design
- Low ozone release
- Can be used for personal usage or offices

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SELANGOR INTERNATIONAL EXPO

CYCLOTRON FOR NUCLEAR MEDICINE APPLICATIONS

Cyclotron is a particle accelerator used to produce radioactive materials for use in medicine, agriculture and industry. In medical applications a cyclotron can produce radioactive materials called RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS.

RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS are radioactive compounds or drugs used in nuclear medicine for the diagnosis and treatment of diseases.

Do you...
Know that one in four Malaysians is likely to develop cancer by the time they reach the age of 75?

Nuclear medicine imaging is highly sensitive and specific and can help with EARLY DETECTION for BETTER TREATMENT OUTCOME.

Growing market for nuclear medicine products in Malaysia

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EXHIBITION OF NUCLEAR MALAYSIA PRODUCTS & SERVICES

Medical Technology Division PRODUCTS

Sodium Iodide I-131 capsules

Usage of I-131 capsules

- Iodine-131 (I^{131}) is taken orally either in the form of pills or liquid solution, iodine-131 is absorbed by the thyroid gland.
- Radioiodine is a radio-pharmaceutical containing the beta-emitting isotope iodine-131 used as a treatment for hyperthyroidism.
- Side effects: None
- Contraindication: None

Benefits of I-131 capsules

- Easy to handle
- Reduce incidence of radioactive iodine radiotherapy
- Cost is reduced
- Reduce radiation exposure to medical personnel

Radioisotope Samarium-153

Usage of Radioisotope Sm-153

- The radionuclide Samarium-153 is released with the carrier DOTA-TATE to form the pharmaceutical known as Samarium-153-DOTATATE.
- Samarium-153 is a pain-relieving agent for bone pain caused by cancerous bone particles and primary bone.
- The beta particles with an average energy of 0.23 MeV per particle helps against increasing the pain by breaking the link between the brain cells, reducing pain cells.
- The particle energy of 0.23 MeV is high enough imaging to see them working in the bones.

(Beta - Pain relief)
(Gamma - Bone Imaging)

Benefits of Radioisotope Sm-153

- Rapid delivery of radionuclides
- High clearance from the body
- Improved patient quality of life

Ethylenediaminetetramethylene Phosphonic Acid (EDTMP) Kit

Usage of EDTMP Kit

- Ethylenediaminetetramethylene phosphonic acid (EDTMP) in the form of freeze-dried kit (sterile and powder form) is a radio-pharmaceutical which can be used to relieve pain.
- This kit is suitable for the convenient one-step preparation of $^{90}\text{Sr}-\text{EDTMP}$.

Benefits of EDTMP Kit

- EDTMP is selectively uptake at macromolecular tissue and primarily higher at carcinoma bone lesions.
- When the radionuclide ^{90}Sr is complexed with EDTMP and administered, the $^{90}\text{Sr}-\text{EDTMP}$ will locate in the tissue.
- This beta-emitting radionuclide is able to provide pain relief and the gamma emission allows for bone imaging.

(Beta - Pain relief)
(Gamma - Bone Imaging)

Benefits of EDTMP Kit

- Easy and convenient handling
- Sterile and powder-free
- High stability with good shelf-life

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EXHIBITION OF NUCLEAR MALAYSIA PRODUCTS & SERVICES

Medical Technology Division QUALITY CONTROL TESTING OF RADIOISOTOPE AND RADIOPHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS

TYPE OF TESTING

Radioisotopes and radiopharmaceuticals are used in nuclear medicine for the diagnosis and therapy of human diseases especially in cancer and cardiovascular diseases. Quality control and quality assurance are crucial prerequisites.

Physical & Chemical Tests

Radiochemical Tests

Microbiology Tests

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RADIATION IN STERILIZATION OF MEDICAL PRODUCT

Ionizing Irradiation

Radiation kills germs that can cause disease and neutralizes other harmful organisms. Sterilization with ionizing radiation inactivates microorganisms very efficiently and, when used for product wrapping, ensures that healthcare products are safe and can be relied upon.

Radioactive Isotope

- Gamma rays
 - Most Popular
 - Simple, Easily Controlled
 - Widely Applicable

Electron Beam Accelerator

Advantages of Ionizing Irradiation

- High penetrating power: products can be processed in their fully-sealed, final packaging, thus limiting the risk of contamination following sterilization.
- Rapidity of action: saves time and efforts.
- Temperature is not raised: compatible with temperature-sensitive materials, such as pharmaceuticals and biological samples.
- Flexibility: can sterilize products of any phase (gasous, liquid, or solid), material, density, size, or thickness.

Non-Ionizing Irradiation

Infra-Red

Ultraviolet Light

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Technical Support Division

IRRADIATION SERVICE CENTER

MINTec-SINAGAMA

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FACILITY LAYOUT

Nuclear Malaysia started projects on radiation processing of various products using gamma irradiation in January 1989. MINTec-Sinagama Irradiation plant operates on J310000 DR-2185 which it is able to irradiate various products requiring different doses simultaneously. MINTec-Sinagama is certified with ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 13485:2003.

Initially designed as a multi-purpose pilot facility for research and development purposes, the plant activities later diversified to offer services to the public and private enterprises, as in the following:

- Irradiation of medical products and packaging materials
- Decontamination of food, pharmaceuticals, herbs and animal feeds
- Disinfection of insects in agricultural commodities, including for quarantine purposes
- Samples for R&D purposes

How does product irradiation work?

The ionizing energy passes completely through the product to kill spores and disease causing microorganisms with minimal temperature rise.

PRODUCT IRRADIATION SERVICES:

- Sterilization of Medical Devices, Packaging Materials & Laboratory Supplies
- Sterilization of Pharmaceutical Products
- Veterinary Products
- Food, Herbs & Spices
- Cosmetics Products

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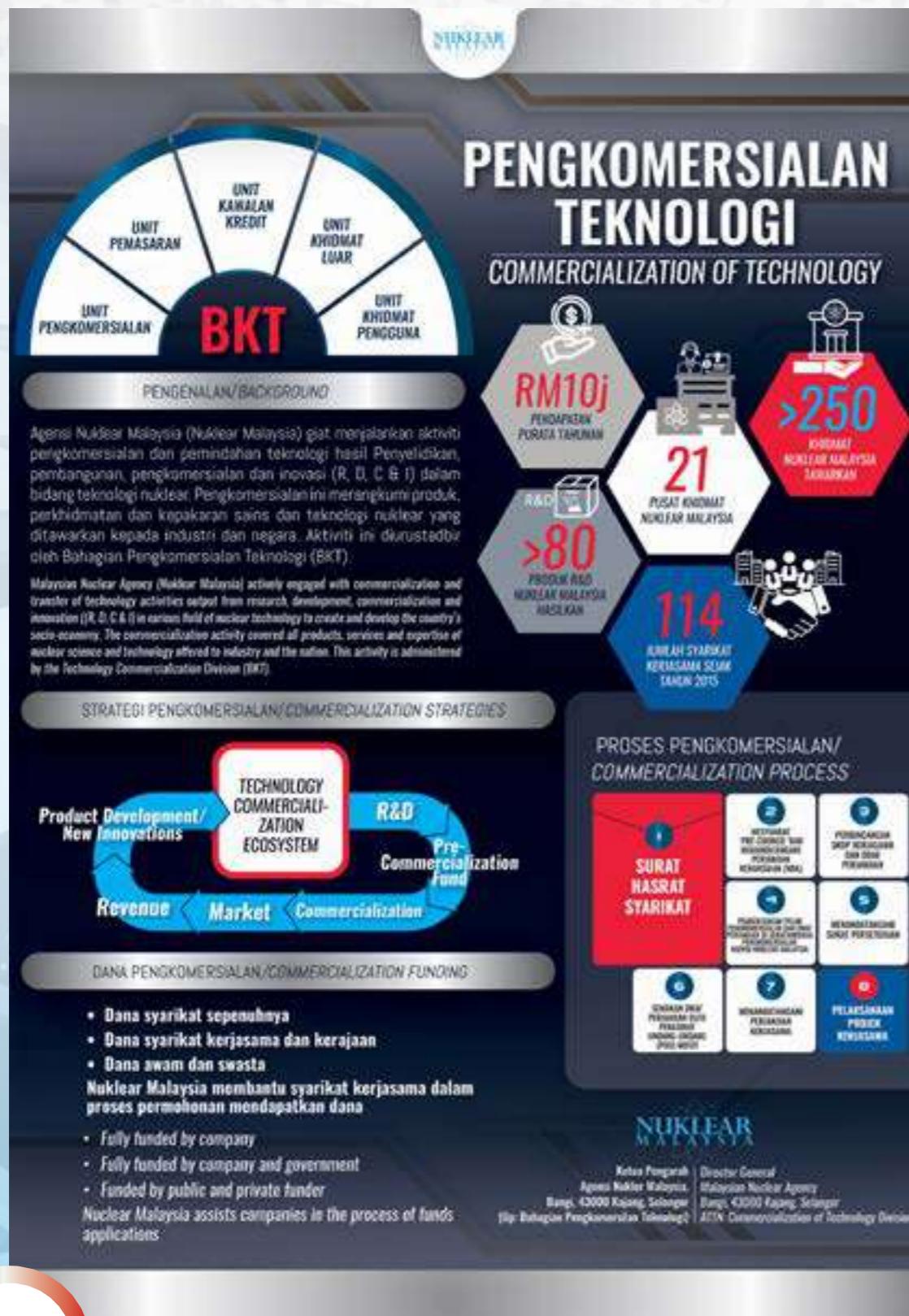
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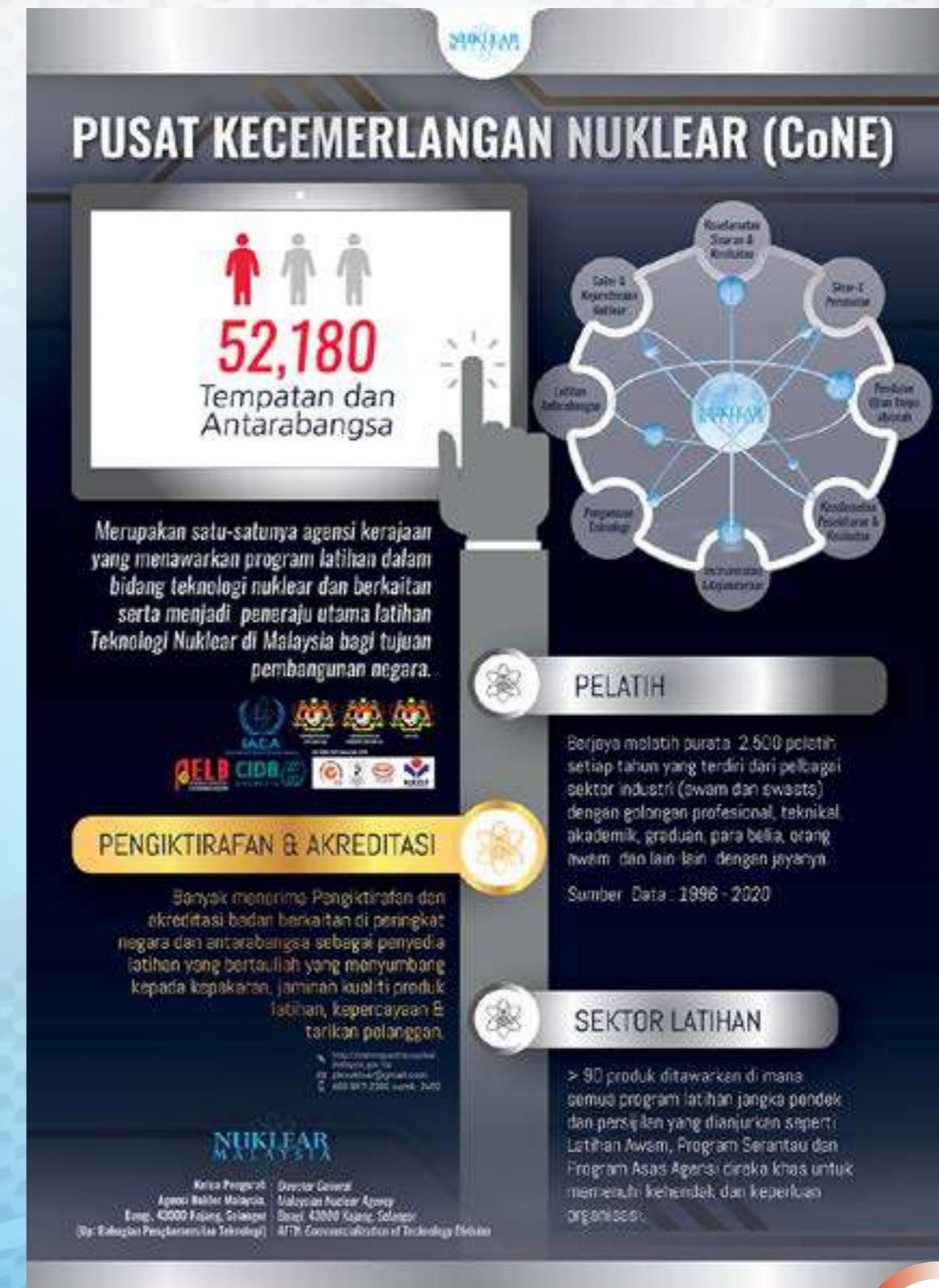
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Medical Technology Division PRODUCTS

Sodium Iodide I-131 capsules

- Sodium Iodide I-131 is taken orally either in the form of tablets or liquid solution, iodine-131.
- Sodium iodide is a radio-pharmaceutical containing the beta-emitter iodine-131 used in a number of treatments.
- Used in: Thyroid Cancer
- Gamma - 364 keV
- Half-life: 8 days

Usage of I-131 capsules

- Radiation before thyroid uses I-131 for the treatment of diseases related to the thyroid gland.
- These diseases include hyperthyroidism, goitre, hyperthyroidism with thyroid cancer.
- Radiation from radioactive iodine will destroy functioning thyroid gland cells and reduce its function.
- Sodium Iodide I-131 is used by the thyroid gland these doctors usually recommend.

Benefits of I-131 capsules

- Easy to handle.
- Reduce incidence of radioactive iodine orally treated.
- Convenient.
- Reduce radiation exposure to medical personnel.

Radioisotope Samarium-153

- The radioisotope Samarium-153 is mixed with the carrier EDTMP to form the pharmaceutical known commonly as Sm-153EDTMP.
- Sm-153 acts as a pain relief agent to both pain where it enters body tissue particles and gamma rays.
- The beta particles with an average energy of 0.23 MeV prevent nerve signals from reaching the brain thus preventing the brain from receiving pain signals.
- The gamma energy of 2.02 MeV is used when imaging to see where exactly it is located.

(Beta - Pain relief)
(Gamma - Bone Imaging)

Usage of Radioisotope Sm-153

- Sm-153 is indicated for relief of pain in patients with metastatic bone lesions.
- Tissue distribution by Sm-153 delivers effective radiation dose to the cancerous tissue without significant effect to the surrounding healthy tissue.

Benefits of Radioisotope Sm-153

- Rapid delivery of relief within 24 hours.
- Rapid clearance from the body.
- Improve patient quality of life.

Ethylenediaminetetramethylene Phosphonic Acid (EDTMP) Kit

- Ethylenediaminetetramethylene phosphonic acid (EDTMP) in the form of freeze-dried kit (sterile and oxygen free) is a radio-pharmaceutical which can be used to relieve pain.
- This kit is suitable for the convenient one-step preparation of 90Sm-EDTMP.

Usage of EDTMP Kit

- EDTMP is selectively uptake at muscularkeletal tissue and primarily higher at cancerous tissue lesions.
- When the radionuclide Sm-153 is complexed with EDTMP and administered, the 90Sm-EDTMP will locate in the bone.
- The beta emitting radionuclide is able to provide pain relief and the gamma emission allows for bone imaging.

(Beta - Pain relief)
(Gamma - Bone Imaging)

Benefits of EDTMP Kit

- Easy and convenient handling.
- Sterile and oxygen-free.
- High stability with good shelf life.

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Medical Technology Division

QUALITY CONTROL TESTING OF RADIOISOTOPE AND RADIOPHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS

TYPE OF TESTING

Radioisotopes and radiopharmaceuticals are used in nuclear medicine for the diagnosis and therapy of human diseases especially in cancer and cardiovascular diseases. Quality control and quality assurance are crucial prerequisites.

Physical & Chemical Tests

Liquid Performance Monitor Counter

Radiochemical Tests

Gamma Camera

Microbiology Tests

Autoclave

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CYCLOTRON FOR NUCLEAR MEDICINE APPLICATIONS

Cyclotron is a particle accelerator used to produce radioactive materials for use in medicine, agriculture and industry. In medical applications a cyclotron can produce radioactive materials called RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS.

A medium energy cyclotron is capable of producing radiopharmaceuticals that suits the needs of the population. Current local capacity is limited in the energy of the machine and the type of radioisotopes produced.

DO YOU...
Know that one in four Malaysians is likely to develop cancer by the time they reach the age of 75?

HOST COMMON CANCERS AMONG MALAYSIAN WOMEN:
Breast Cancer 31.1%
Other Cancers 6.8%
Uterine Cancer 11.4%
Cervical Cancer 7.4%

HOST COMMON CANCERS AMONG MALAYSIAN MEN:
Prostate Cancer 16.4%
Other Cancers 14.1%
Lung Cancer 14.1%
Liver Cancer 8.6%
Esophageal & Stomach Cancer 8.6%

Growing market for nuclear medicine products in Malaysia

Nuclear medicine imaging is highly sensitive and specific and can help with EARLY DETECTION for BETTER TREATMENT OUTCOME.

Statistics:
1 in 5 > 35 million
3 in 10
4 in 10

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Lembay(UV)ng Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation Box

A series of UVGI box prototype was developed by Malaysian Nuclear Agency for rapid disinfection of PPE (personal protective equipment) at hospitals. It was initially meant to overcome the issue of PPE shortage at hospitals in Malaysia during the early Covid-19 outbreak in April 2020. The shortage triggered the need to make critical PPE's such as N95 face mask reusable.

The prototype which is dubbed as Lembay(UV)ng, is designed with a mask holder and equipped with top and bottom UV-C lightings for quick 5-minute disinfection. The holder can be fitted with wire mesh for disinfection of other tools and small items. At the moment, there are two available sizes (3SL and 73.5 Liter capacity) for portability.

Commercial product

Reliable bacterial & fungal inactivation

Easy to Use

- User can simply place the PPE or other small item into the box
- Turn the switch On
- Wait for 5 minutes
- The PPE is then safe & ready to use.

Benefits

- Easy to operate
- Lightweight and portable
- Quick 5-minute disinfection
- Reliable bacterial & fungal disinfection with two UV-C lamps top & bottom
- Affordable design
- Low ozone release
- Can be used for personal usage or offices

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RADIATION IN STERILIZATION OF MEDICAL PRODUCT



NUKLEAR

**Radiation kills
germs that can cause disease and
neutralizes other harmful organisms.**

Sterilization with ionizing radiation inactivates microorganisms very efficiently and, when used for product wrapping, ensures that healthcare products are safe and can be relied upon

Ionizing Irradiation



Radioactive Isotope

- Gamma rays
 - Most Popular
 - Simple, Easily Controlled
 - Widely Applicable

Electron Beam Accelerator

Electron beam machine (E-Beam)

- Short Treatment Time
- High Dose Rate
- No Waste Products

X- rays machine (X-Ray)

- High Depth Penetration
- Good Dose Uniformity Ratio

Advantages of Ionizing Irradiation



- High penetrating power:** products can be processed in their fully-sealed, final packaging thus limiting the risk of contamination following sterilization.
- Rapidity of action:** saves time and efforts.
- Temperature is not raised:** comparable with temperature-sensitive materials, such as pharmaceuticals and biological samples.
- Flexibility:** can sterilize products of any phase (gaseous, liquid, or solid materials); density, size, or thickness.

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The poster features a dark blue header with the text "FUTURE PINEAPPLE LEAVES PAPER" in white. Below the header, there are several sections: "PRODUCT DESCRIPTION", "NOVELTY", "ENVIRONMENTAL FRIENDLINESS", "USEFULLNESS", "COMMERCIALIZATION POTENTIAL", "RESULT", "PUBLICATIONS & AWARDS", and "EFFECT OF IRRADIATION". The "NOVELTY" section includes a paragraph about the development of magnetic pineapple leaves paper. The "ENVIRONMENTAL FRIENDLINESS" section highlights the reduction of wood usage and recycling of magnets. The "COMMERCIALIZATION POTENTIAL" section lists craft industries, printing paper industries, and food wrapping and writing paper industries. The "RESULT" section shows surface morphology images and EDS spectra for irradiated and non-irradiated samples. The "PUBLICATIONS & AWARDS" section displays certificates and publications. The "EFFECT OF IRRADIATION" section includes graphs showing the effect of irradiation on properties like tensile strength and water absorption. The footer contains the text "TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW & SHOWCASE NUCLEAR MALAYSIA 2021".

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Metroxylon S coat

INNOVATIVE AND ECOFRIENDLY NEW PHARMACEUTICAL AND NUTRACEUTICAL FILM-COATING

NUKLEAR

INTRODUCTION

Metroxylon S Coat is a new film coating for pharmaceuticals and nutraceutical tablets invented from local Metroxylon sagu (sago) polysaccharide. Metroxylon S Coat will be used in pharmaceutical and nutraceutical industry as tablet coating material for various purposes such as tablet masking, tablet identification, tablet stability, tablet protection, and etc. Metroxylon S Coat formulation is innovated by the addition of polyvinylpyrrolidone, a water soluble polymer in order to reduce the brittleness and to enhance product endurance. Metroxylon S Coat is invented in a pre-mixed ready-to-use form to shorten coating process time. The use of Metroxylon S Coat will reduce cost of tablet coating materials because the product is made from local natural source, where the price is very low compared to commercial tablet coating material. The estimated cost reduction is 94%. In addition, introduction of gamma-sterilization to Metroxylon S Coat will ensure the sterility of the product.

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To invent an aqueous based film coating material from natural resources for pharmaceutical and nutraceutical tablet through innovative modification

NOVELTY

Natural-based and eco-friendly new tablet coating system for pharmaceutical and nutraceutical use

ADVANTAGES OF METROXYLON S COAT

- Environmentally friendly pharmaceutical
- Cost effective
- Non-toxic and non-hazardous product
- Water soluble polymer
- One hand application and easy to use
- All natural ingredients used in pharmaceutical coating
- Improved solubility
- Reduced tablet weight
- Reduced tablet thickness
- Improved taste and odor masking
- Tablet protection
- Regulate drug release
- Tablet identification
- Ensure stability

Potential user

- Pharmaceutical industry
- Nutraceutical industry
- Health institutions
- Academic and Research Institutes
- Oral tablet user

ECONOMY AND SOCIAL IMPACT

- Increase supply of oral enteric coated tablet
- Reduction of waste through licensing of pharmaceutical export production
- Increase agriculture productivity & revenue
- Provide grants to pharmaceutical industry
- Increase safety among patients in pharmaceutical industry
- Reduce the cost of tablet through reduction of cost through conventional material

MARKET POTENTIAL

Global Nutraceutical Market

Year	Value (Bn USD)
2010	15.00
2015	25.00
2020	40.00

The growth of global tablet coating industry is driven by strong demand from pharmaceutical sector and advancing technology in medical. Currently, COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand of pharmaceutical tablet, which in turn increased the demand of coating technology industry.

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**REAKTOR TRIGA PUSPATI (RTP):
LUTETIUM (Lu-177) PRODUCTION FOR
CANCER DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPY**

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INTRODUCTION

Since 1982, RTP with maximum power 1 MW_e has been in operation as a neutron source to produce various radioisotopes for medical and industrial applications. Lutetium-177 radioisotope labelled with DOTANOC is a new in-house process and procedure developed for cancer diagnostic and therapy. Lu-177 is a Beta emitting radionuclide that decays with a half-life of 6.65 days that can be produced in nuclear reactor by following reaction:

$$\text{Lu-176} \xrightarrow{\text{Ne-176}} \text{Lu-177} \quad \text{Direct Route} \quad 6.7 \text{ days} \quad \text{Lu-177m} \quad 160 \text{ days}$$

(Lu_2O_3)

Lu-177 Irradiation

Lu-176 is irradiated at 750kW thermal power. At this condition, neutrons are produced from the Uranium-235 fission reaction at the reactor core.

Duration of irradiation depends on the desired activity of Lu-177.

Irradiation Number	Irradiation time (h)	Location	Cooling time (h)	Amount of Lu-177 activity (mCi) after irradiation time
1	42	RTP	4	16.7
2	46 (Optimal)	RTP	34	89.9

Lu-177 Preparation

5mg of high enrich Lu₂O₃ is used

Dissolved in 1M HNO₃ and dried in oven

Sample in quartz ampoule container

Encapsulated in aluminum capsule

Lu-177 Loading to RTP

The aluminium capsule is carefully loaded into the irradiation hole inside the reactor core using a special handling tool.

Lu-177 Product Unloading

Irradiated Lu-177 is cooled down for more than 4 hours after reactor shut down to allow the radiation level decrease to a manageable level before it is moved out from the reactor.

Irradiated Lu-177 is placed in a shielded transfer cask and transported to the medical laboratory for further processing before delivery to the hospital.

Caution: Only radiation workers can perform this activities and all radiation protection procedures are implemented for personnel radiation safety.

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Nuclear CTB Embracing Resilience in Time of Crisis

NUKEFAR MALAYSIA 2021

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ANTICIPATED TECHNIQUE FOR THE PREPARATION OF ESSENTIAL OIL BASED FUNCTIONALIZED MATERIALS

Radiation-induced graft polymerization

The technique:

Radiation-induced grafting of essential oil onto a substrate

Trunk material (substrate) + Active species (Radicals) → Grafted chains -AM group → Grafted material

- ✓ an **ideal and efficient** technique for attaching polymer chains containing **desired chemical groups** to existing polymeric backbones.
- ✓ The attachment of **covalent bond** provides long lifetime **chemical stability** by means of introduced chains.
- ✓ Radiation-induced grafting technique was selected because it offers **clean method** where the presence of **catalyst and initiator is not essential**, therefore a number of **chemicals can be eliminated**.

The Impacts

ECO FRIENDLY		
Grafting with conventional monomers	Grafting with essential oil	
Eco-friendly?	Usage of inorganic type monomers	Usage of natural and organic essential oil
Less toxic?	Requires inorganic solvents	Uses water as solvent
Natural & organic?	Requires additional emulsifier	Uses hazel witch as emulsifier
Hazardous waste?	Produces residual which requires proper disposal	The residual can be safely discharged to downstream
Adaptation in industry?	Simple technique	Completely environmental-friendly, safe, and easy technique

Summary

The final grafted products offer high-efficiency antimicrobial properties with high essential oil content and also exhibit good sustainable release performance. This profound grafted material with essential oil shows good adaptation in the industry with simple, cheap, and straightforward methods. The essential oil grafted materials can be potentially used in packaging, healthcare and cosmetics industries especially in the pandemic era.

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RT-NEMO : DETECTION OF LEAKAGE IN UNDERGROUND PIPELINE

Background of RT-NEMO

The detection of leakage in underground pipeline is significant challenge to many industries, in particular oil and gas industry. Therefore, Plant Assessment Technology (PAT) team has adopted Radiotracer technology to locate and verify the leakage location and solve the issue. Radiotracer technology (RT) is the introduction of radioactive material inside the domain and the tracing of gamma radiation emitted by this material is conducted externally using scintillation detector. Any drop of velocity or flow rate from upstream to downstream fluid flow is susceptible to potential leak area. Leak detection using radiotracer techniques is one of the most widespread applications of radiotracer in industry. RT is very sensitive, effective and competitive for on-line leak detection. It is widely used for on-line leak detection.

However, the conventional radiotracer technique is very expensive, requires a lot of manpower, cumbersome and very time consuming. Thus, RT-NEMO is introduced to overcome the aforementioned problems. Development of portable and compact radiotracer or RT-NEMO has been introduced inside the underground pipelines to detect leakage using radiotracer state-of-art approach.

RT-NEMO: Software Development

The development of RT-NEMO data logger involves assembly of hardware and programming of data acquisition and storage. Arduino microcontroller is used as the main processor for the data logger. The data logger utilises the simplicity of Arduino in order to acquire the data from the ratemeter and save the data in SD card. After completion, the data logger will be incorporated in the RT-NEMO capsule.

Market Overview

Target Market	Market Objectives	Marketing Strategy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil & gas industries • Gas District Cooling System • Power Plant • Utilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 5000km pipeline network • Constant inspection • Aging pipeline • Fast & accurate technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology awareness & education • Engagement with local industries • Technology development with correct collaboration partners • Conferences & Innovation Exhibitions

Figure 3: Execution of works.

Table 1: Comparison between the conventional RT method and RT-NEMO

Method	Conventional RT	RT-NEMO
Detection of signal	Outside of pipeline	Inside pipeline
Equipment	Detector/Cable/Analysts/power source	Single NEMO
Location of detector	Multiple Coring/Boring	Unnecessary
Duration of work	2-3 hrs	3 hrs
Man Power	At least 10 labour (minimum)	3 people
Cost	Expensive	Cost effective (short term)
Leak detection	Velocity drop calculation	Present of peak

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The poster features a central image of the NUKLEOBOT, a yellow and black tracked robot with various sensors and equipment. To the left, a flowchart details the 2D mapping process, showing data from SLAM, Navigation, and Monitoring merging into a 2D map. To the right, another flowchart shows the 3D mapping view, with data from SLAM, Navigation, and Monitoring merging into a 3D map. The top section contains text about the robot's capabilities and its use in radioactive contaminated areas. A sidebar on the right lists software applications like ROS, Ubuntu, OpenCV, and Python. A small photo of a person in a hard hat operating the robot is also present.

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MICRO HETEROGENEOUS THORIA-URANIA TRISO FUEL COMPACT DESIGN FOR MICRO-SIZED HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS

MICRO-MODULAR HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTOR (MMR-HTR)

U-BATTERY NUCLEAR POWER STATION

U-Battery core with outer diameter of 1.8 m

DUPLEX TRISO FUEL FOR MMR-HTR

Issue related to size	Impact on performance	Duplex TRISO potential
Micro-sized modular reactor (MMR), electrical output of up to 20 Mw	Burnup performance being lower to that of a big commercial reactor.	The use of homogeneous Th-U fuel would not improve its cycle length.
Higher power peaking and more neutron leakage as compared to bigger reactors	High power peaking necessitates lowering power density.	The SBU design's higher power peaking would be impractical.
	High neutron leakage necessitates more frequent refueling or high enrichment fuel due to shorter cycle length.	Based on existing data on the Duplex TRISO fuel, its use in MMR-HTR is expected to be beneficial.

<https://www.urbatter.com/design-and-technology>

DUPLEX TRISO FUEL DESIGN IMPACT & OUTCOME

DESIGN PROPERTIES	OUTCOME	IMPACT
Longer cycle length & higher buildup of U-233	Reduces refueling frequency & reduces initial U-235 enrichment.	Reduces fuel cost.
Lower plutonium production, other actinides and fission product	Lower proliferation risk and reduced high-level waste volume.	Reduced cost and complexity of high-level waste management (security & safety).
Simplified design based on established technology	Simplifies licensing process	Possible near to mid-term deployment.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROGRESS

Design optimization

- Effect of packing fraction, number of Duplex TRISO rods, initial seed enrichment, burnable absorber, etc.

The fuel cycle length for duplex fuel blocks at different packing fractions.

Whole core level analysis

- Reflector thickness, power level (power density), control rods, active core size, etc.

Developed MONK detail model of the Micro-Modular High Temperature Reactor Core and fuel.

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IRRADIATED CORN PLASTIC

BRIEF OVERVIEW

- Corn plastic is a plastic that made from corn starch.
- Corn plastic also known as starch-based bioplastic.

ADVANTAGES

- Biodegradable.
- Did not use non-renewable resources.
- Significantly lower source.
- Contains chemicals that are non-harmful.
- Reduction of the non-biodegradable waste that leads to environmental pollution.

INVENTIVENESS

- Optimal ratio between corn starch and glycerol.
- Directly exposed the corn plastic to gamma radiation $\leq 10\text{kGy}$ doses.
- Compatible with consumer's lives because it's from natural resource.

PICTURE

METHODOLOGY

MMR	IRRADIATION	STARCH PROCESS	CHARACTERIZATION
CORN STARCH	IRRADIATION	CORNSTARCH REFINING FILM PREPARATION	CHARACTERIZATION
Glycerol	WATER	REFINED CORNSTARCH FILM PREPARATION	CHARACTERIZATION
		REFINED CORNSTARCH FILM PREPARATION	CHARACTERIZATION

COMMERCIALIZATION

- A growing environmental awareness throughout the world have opened up new market opportunities for developing this product.
- Due to similar function with conventional plastic, this product is an ideal alternative in the context of environmental sustainability.
- Bulk of resources which would not be diminishing in years ahead contrasted with petroleum.

PUBLICATION

- Feasibility of Irradiated Corn-Based Bioplastics as Packaging Material.
- The Effects of Gamma Radiation on Bioplastics.
- Effect of Radiation Treatment on Starch Bioplastic - A Review.
- Gamma Radiation Effects on Biodegradable Starch-Based Blend with Different Polyester: A Review.

STATUS OF PRODUCT

Laboratory and functional models are available for laboratory and field testing.

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Tajuk Rekaicia : Inovasi Teknologi Nuklear Dalam Meningkatkan Hasil Padi Pesawahan Yang Terkesan Akibat Pandemik Covid-19

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Novelty Idea Inovasi

- Varieti padi baharu yang **PERTAMA** di Negara Malaysia yang dihasilkan menggunakan teknologi nuklear dan mendapat pengiktirafan dari pihak Jabatan Pertanian Malaysia (Reg No: PBR 0159 & PBR 0158)
- Varieti padi mutan yang **PERTAMA** di Negara Malaysia yang berjaya dimasukkan ke dalam senarai skim subsidi padi sah negara
- Varieti padi mutan yang **PERTAMA** di Negara Malaysia yang mampu menghasilkan hasil padi yang tinggi laju berjulat diantara 7-10 t/ha (bergantung kepada lokasi dan cara pengurusan sawah)
- Varieti padi mutan yang **PERTAMA** di Negara Malaysia yang mampu bertahan kepada perubahan cuaca yang tidak menentu (Tahan kepada banjir kilat dan kemarau) / *Global climate change and penyakit utama padi.*

Perlindungan Harta Intelek

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Kelebihan dan Potensi Aplikasi Inovasi

Sasaran Penerima Faedah

Perkebunan beras padi
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FRICTION STIR WELDING ON DISSIMILAR PLATE THICKNESS OF ALUMINIUM ALLOY

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INTRODUCTION & PROJECT MOTIVATION

- FSW appears as a promisingly weld joining method that enables to diminish material waste, prevent radiation and harmful gas emissions that usually associated with the fusion welding processes.
- This welding technique makes use of a non-consumable welding tool to generate frictional heat, stir and join two plates together.
- Thin plate section introduces a unique challenge. Instead of proper parameter setting, there is a need for proper setup to successfully produce a good dissimilar plate thickness joint.

OBJECTIVES

- To produce a good dissimilar plate thickness joining of aluminium alloy.
- To provide a proper setup for dissimilar plate thickness joining.

RELEVANCE

- Cater for FSW research activity at universities and companies especially for dissimilar plate thickness joining by FSW process.
- Promote FSW application for dissimilar plate joining in industrial applications such as automobiles - door panels and body frames.

BENEFIT TO SOCIETY/SIGNIFICANCE

- This process keeps environment safe. It requires no filler metal or shielding gas, and produce no fumes and arc.
- Single run only.
- No edge preparation and gap required.
- Caters variety of alloys.

INNOVATION

- A simple setup to cater for dissimilar plate thickness joining by FSW process.

PUBLICATIONS & GRANTS

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- SHORT TERM RESEARCH GRANT (UNIKL & OSAKA UNI INTERNATIONAL JOINT RESEARCH COLLABORATOR (JWRI))

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- Patent Filing: PI 2014001404

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HYDROMAC ADSORBENT FROM TILAPIA FISH SCALE FOR WATER TREATMENT

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

- Hydroxyapatite macrocomposite (HYDROMAC) adsorbent (1.4x1.4 cm cube) is made from tilapia fish scale mix with cement and water.
- The hydroxyapatite (HAp) is extracted from tilapia fish scale by grinding and calcination process.

COMMERCIALISATION POTENTIAL

HYDROMAC is a low cost, easy to produce, environmentally friendly and sustainable adsorbent.

HYDROMAC is a potential adsorbent that can be proposed to waterworks company in Malaysia to be use along other treatment processes in the water treatment plant.

HYDROMAC can be incorporate with sand filter media to be commercialized as hybrid Filter-adsorbent system.

NOVELTY & INVENTIVENESS

- New findings and knowledge on the characteristics and performances of HYDROMAC adsorbent.
- Research on the comparison of sand filter process with and without HYDROMAC adsorbent provide good fundamental knowledge for future studies.
- HYDROMAC adsorbent practices Waste-to- Wealth concept.
- In comparison to the activated carbon adsorbent, the production of HYDROMAC from waste material of fish scales are more economical & low cost.

USEFULNESS/BENEFIT TO SOCIETY

- CSR project for groundwater treatment of tube well in Kangkar Orang Asli Kangkar Senangap, Parit Sulong, Batu Pahat, in collaboration with Pejabat Daerah Muar.
- Remove 40-80% of contaminants in groundwater.
- Produce high quality and palatable water for Indigenous community in Kangkar Senangap.
- Enhance national water security.

PRODUCT PHOTO

RECOGNITION

- Gold Medal Award, Application of Hydroxyapatite (HAp) Nanoparticle From Fish Waste as Potential Adsorbent for the Removal of Lead in Drinking Water, The International Research and Symposium and Exposition (IRSE) 2018, Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia.
- Gold Medal Award, Application of Hydroxyapatite (HAp) Nanoparticle From Fish Waste as Potential Adsorbent for the Removal of Lead in Drinking Water, Research & Innovative Technology Competition (RITeC), 2018, Faculty of Engineering Technology, Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia.

STATUS OF PRODUCT

Status of product = TRL 6. The developed HYDROMAC has been tested in laboratory scale column study for its performance as adsorbent.

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CERAMIC AIRCRETE

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PRODUCT BACKGROUND

- Ceramic Aircrete is a lightweight concrete produced from Green Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) Ceramic Waste (20% tile & 30% gypsum) mixed with the composition of sand, lime, cement, water and aluminum paste (Expanding Agent) by using Formulation Bubbles Method into Autoclaved Machine.
- Ceramic Aircrete has a dry density of approximately 110 ± 50 kg/m³ and can withstand fire resistance up to 1200°C for 4 hours of URM (BS 84 1985-1:1999).
- Ceramic Aircrete is cost effective due to lower dead load which is 55% total weight of wall, saving energy at 280 kWh/m² with compressive strength up to 25 MPa with Young Modulus, E = 540 MPa.
- Ceramic Aircrete is the sustainable energy (zero waste) capabilities integrates economic, social and environmental friendly.

PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS/RESULTS

Fig 1 The excellent thermal insulation properties can reduces the total heat of refrigeration and air conditioning.

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Fig 2 CERAMIC AIRCRETE has thermal conductivity up to 1200°C for 4 hours compare others concrete.

NOVELTY/ORIGINALITY /INVENTIVENESS

Fig 3 24 hours wall insulation test. 24 hours mortar application rate and 30% saving on mineral wool. CERAMIC AIRCRETE is better insulation.

FABRICATION METHODS

ACHIEVEMENT/AWARD

- GOLD AWARD, International Research and Innovation Symposium and Exposition 2019 (RISE 2019). "CERAMIC AIRCRETE"
- TOTAL GRANT: RM 201,900.00 (GPPS, INDUSTRY GRANT, PORS KPT)

PUBLICATION

- Viknesvaran Ganesan and Noraini Marsi (2018). The Characterization of Lightweight Ceramic Aircrete for Brick Applications. Thesis FYP. UTHM

COLLABORATION/ INDUSTRIAL PARTNER

COST ANALYSIS

Per Cubic Meter	RM 100.00
Material Cost	RM 80.00
Labour Cost	RM 10.00
Water Cost	RM 2.00
Electricity Cost	RM 2.00
Total Cost	RM 104.00

BENEFITS/ USEFULNESS/ APPLICABILITY

- BENEFITS:** Environment, Friendliness; No Chemical Usage; Sustainable; Reusable; Zero Waste fabrication.
- USEFULNESS:**
- APPLICATION:** Partition Wall; Party Wall; Fire Compartment Walls; Thermal Walls; Sound Barriers; Basement Skin Walls, etc.

COST ANALYSIS

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REHABILITATION MONITORING (MyHomeR) APPLICATIONS FOR POST-STROKE PATIENT

In Collaboration with: CHERAS REHABILITATION HOSPITAL

REHABILITATION MONITORING (MyHomeR) APPLICATIONS FOR POST-STROKE PATIENT

The diagram illustrates the MyHomeR system architecture. It shows a flow from patient devices (smartphones and wearables) to a central cloud, which then connects to a doctor's mobile device. Key components include:

- Patient Discharge:** Shows a patient in a wheelchair being assisted.
- Post-stroke patient:** Shows a patient using a smartphone for rehabilitation monitoring.
- Data storage & data analysis:** Shows a cloud icon with data points.
- Mobile apps for post-stroke patient:** Shows icons for upper limb strength, lower limb strength, speech analysis, and sleep analysis.
- Intelligent Patient Early Analysis:** Shows a patient using a smartphone with a stethoscope icon.
- MyHomeR FEATURES:**
 - App User:** Shows a patient, caregiver, clinician, and doctor.
 - MyHomeR Mobile Apps:** Shows game and routine activities, entertainment menu, and clinical appointment.
 - System development:** Shows Flutter and noSQL.
- Programs:** Shows Upper Limb, Lower Limb, Speech Analysis, and Sleep Analysis.
- Remote monitoring:** Shows Activities, Health and rehabilitation record.
- TARGET:**
 - Benefit to rehabilitation centre (doctors/clinicians) for monitoring the progress home patients.
 - Doctors will be able to monitor the progress of patients closely and reduce delay in contact after discharge.
 - Assist home care givers and patient's health record properly.
- Smartphone Screens:** Shows initial app preview and various functional screens like home, consultation, and analysis.
- SLEEP ANALYSIS:** Shows a smartphone displaying sleep analysis results.
- TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW & SHOWCASE NUCLEAR MALAYSIA 2021:** Shows logos for Universiti Sains Malaysia, UTM, and MNA.

TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW & SHOWCASE (TPS)

Chemoradiotherapy

COLLABORATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITI SAINS MALAYSIA & MALAYSIA NUCLEAR AGENCY

TRIPLE COMBINATION OF BISMUTH OXIDE NANOPARTICLES, CISPLATIN AND BAICALEIN-RICH FRACTION AS RADIOSENSITIZERS FOR BREAST CANCER RADIOTHERAPY

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1. PROBLEM STATEMENTS

- Cisplatin (Cis) is a widely used chemotherapy drug and radiosensitizer.
- Cis has many adverse effects.
- It is proposed other agents that could reduce toxicities, and enhance the effect of radiotherapy on the cancer cells while sparing the surrounding normal tissue.

2. NOVELTY OF INVENTION

- Previous works emphasized on the dose enhancement by individual nanoparticles (NPs), and combination of NPs with commercial drug.
- This project is the first to invent the radiosensitizer combination involving metallic NPs (BiONPs), commercial drug (Cis) and natural compound (BRF) for the breast cancer radiotherapy.

3. DATA VALIDATION

- Pre-clinical tests had been conducted MCF-7 and MDA-MB-231 (breast cancer cells) for photon beam (6 MV), electron beam (6 MeV), and brachytherapy (192-Ir).
- It was verified that combination of BiONPs, Cis and BRF enhance the effect of radiotherapy on the breast cancer cells.
- The combination with BRF natural product could deliver a triple effects of Cis drug and the BiONPs.

4. IMPACTS OF INVENTION

The use of the triple combination of the BiONPs, Cis and BRF:

- is economical and environment-friendly (BiONPs synthesis methods)
- could minimize the toxic effects towards the body as only low doses of radiation would be used (usage of BRF).

5. TARGET OF INVENTION

In future, this prospective radiosensitizer combination may be applicable for breast cancer patients which will undergo radiotherapy.

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NANOZINN: A Potent Antifungal Nanodelivery System for Ganoderma Disease Treatment for Oil Palm

PATENT NO: P201600029 (Malaysian Invention Disclosure Scheme) 2016/029/0001 (M)

INTRODUCTION

- Oil palm is one of the largest crop and economical tree in Malaysia. As in 2018, Malaysia has planted 5.85 million hectares of oil palm covering more than 60 % of its agricultural land.
- However, the oil palm faces the threat of a devastating disease which is particularly caused by a pathogenic fungus, *Ganoderma boninense* (*G. boninense*) that eventually leads to the severe decline of the yield and shorten the productive life of oil palm.
- As a result, Ganoderma has caused significant loss to the oil palm industry, with the estimated yield loss due to this disease can reach up to RM1.5 billion.

INVENTION

- The aim of the invention is to develop a green formulation of fungicide nanodelivery system.
- The controlled release formulation (CRF) of fungicide aims to reduce the fungicide toxicity, enhance the efficient delivery of active ingredient to the target site, able to sustain in a longer time and consequently improved fungicide efficacy.
- Moreover, it's also aims to enhance uptake, minimizing volatilization, leaching and runoff of fungicide that can cause environmental concerns.

ADVANTAGES

The use of NANODERMA in combating Ganoderma disease in oil palm cultivation has many advantages such as

- High efficacy (9 times higher antifungal)
- Slow release formula and long circulation time (30 times increase)
- No phytotoxicity, no cytotoxicity and no genotoxicity
- Green innovation
- Reduced runoff, leaching and volatilization
- Reduced labor cost

MARKET POTENTIAL

Consumer/End User

- Palm oil estates/small holder farmers.

Industry

- Agricultural industry
- Oil palm market and industry
- Palm oil market and industry

Research Grant : RM1 million (under LRGS- NanoMITE program)
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MANAGING THORIUM FROM RARE-EARTH EXTRACTION RESIDUE VIA ELECTROSORPTION TOWARDS CONVERTING LARGE WASTE VOLUME TO SMALL WASTE PACKAGE

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BACKGROUND

Thorium is a radioactive element that is present in the earth's crust at a concentration of approximately 10 ppm. Thorium is mainly used for nuclear energy production and as a source of rare earth elements. The thorium cycle involves several steps: mining, processing, separation, and conversion into various products. Thorium is also used in various industries such as ceramics, glass, and pharmaceuticals.

INNOVATION TOWARDS SOLVING THE PROBLEM

Electrosorption

Abstract

The aim of this research is to develop a green technology for the management of thorium from rare-earth extraction residue via electrosorption. The thorium is adsorbed onto the electrode surface due to the nature of electrosorption. The thorium is then removed from the electrode surface by the addition of acidic bath phosphoric acid.

Advantage

- Use green method and produce low waste. The process of an electro-sorption is considered as a green technology.
- Thorium removal efficiency is high.
- Thorium removal is selective and can remove other radionuclides from the solution.

Properties

Electromagnetic properties - Radio-Interference

Elemental composition and chemical compounds and electrosorption of thorium

Publications

Refleksi

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Lateks Getah Asli Para-Pemvulkanan Hibrid Ultrabayung-peroksida

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BACKGROUND

At present, there are 3 commonly known vulcanization processes being used in natural rubber latex industries; namely sulphur, radiation and peroxide vulcanizations. Sulphur vulcanization produces products with superior mechanical properties compared to radiation and peroxide vulcanization. However, sulphur vulcanization (SVHL) process may produce by-products such as nitrosamines and nitrosoaldehydes, i.e. carcinogenic materials which may cause cancer and chemical allergies.

On the contrary, radiation vulcanization of natural rubber latex (RVHL) and peroxide vulcanization of natural rubber latex (PVHL) have several advantages over the sulphur vulcanization such as:

- Free from nitrosamines and nitrosoaldehydes
- Low risk on Type I (chemical) and Type IV (protein) allergies
- Cleaner industrial effluents (less environmental pollution)
- No copper staining on electrode component
- Biodegradable

Radiation and peroxide vulcanizations failed to produce pre-vulcanized natural rubber latex with high mechanical strength even though the preparation process was cleaner and "green". This led us to hybridize the radiation and peroxide vulcanizations in order to produce a new generation latex that is comparable (mechanical properties) to sulfur vulcanization. However, issues such as high construction cost on irradiation plants as well as legal issues (safety & security) are expected to hinder efforts to transfer this technology to the industries.

Alternatively, preparation of Hybrid UV-peroxide pre-vulcanized natural rubber latex using commercial UV lamps has been proposed to replace the use of gamma radiation from the Cobalt-60.

MARKET POTENTIAL

Year	Sales Value (RM billions)
2010	0.10
2011	0.12
2012	0.15
2013	0.18
2014	0.20
2015	0.22
2016	0.25
2017	0.28
2018	0.30
2019	0.35

Source: Buletin Perangkaian Negara (BPN), 2019

Mechanical & Physical Properties of Hybrid UV-Peroxide Pre-vulcanized Natural Rubber Latex Compared to Other Vulcanization Method

Mechanical & Physical Properties	UV-Hybrid pre-vulcanized	Sulphur pre-vulcanized	Hybrid PV-peroxide pre-vulcanized	Manufacture & Requirements
Total sulfur content (%)	0.2	0.5	0.1	Min 10.000 TDS
Ash content (%)	0.1	0.2	0.1	4.76 - 6.70 (TDS)
Mechanical working time (min)	30	60	100	100
Hydrolytic stability (%)	20	25	20	20.00 (TDS)
Tensile strength (MPa)	2.0	2.5	2.0	Min 2.0 (TDS)
Preparation time (min)	10	15	5.0	5000

Preparation of Hybrid UV-Peroxide Pre-vulcanized Natural Rubber Latex

Novelty:
New Hybrid UV-peroxide pre-vulcanized natural rubber latex

Wait for 30 minutes and follow by crosslinker under UV for 30 minutes

Add 2.5 part per hundred rubber of crosslinker and wait for 10 hours

UV-LATEX

Preparation time

- Need only 15 minutes to prepare Hybrid UV-peroxide pre-vulcanized natural rubber latex

Advantages

- Mechanical & physical properties are comparable to conventional pre-vulcanized latex (sulphur) and complied with manufacturer's standards & requirements.
- Produced pre-vulcanized latex that free from nitrosamines and accelerator induced allergies, low in cytotoxicity, ash content and biodegradable.
- Low risk on Type I (chemical) & Type IV (protein) allergies

Potential customers:

Surgical gloves, examination gloves, baby teat, dental dams, singer coats, condoms, catheters and balloon manufacturers

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3D PRINTED ANTHROPOMORPHIC RADIOTHERAPY HEAD PHANTOM

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

3D Printed Anthropomorphic Head Phantom is developed to ensure the accuracy and precision of radiotherapy treatment. It is applicable for treatment setup designed for planned dose on various patient sizes. The development of this phantom ensures the radiation imposed only on the tumor without harming the normal tissues. This phantom plays an important role in ensuring effective and safe patient treatment especially in the radiation treatment of brain tumor.

NOVELTY AND INVENTIVENESS

Current Problem with Commercialized Phantom	3D Printed Head Phantom
Very expensive More than RM 300 000	Very low cost RM 5000
High chance of treatment error Standard human size which can cause treatment error because patient come in different size and shape	More accurate and reduce treatment error Custom made according to patient specific anatomy
The tissue equivalent characteristic is not available	Optimized and cheap tissue equivalent materials
Not applicable for various radiation exposure test Not suitable for complex treatment	Used as radiation exposure test Real-size human treatment setup performed to figure out the best treatment setup
Fixed into one size	Custom made For personalized cancer with complex radiotherapy setup, teaching and research

CONTRIBUTION TO THE NUCLEAR SECTOR AND SOCIETY

Absorbed dose determination from radiation source can be tested before treatment to reduce radiation exposure to the patient.

APPLICATION

Clinical use	Produce various size phantom according to patient anatomical features for treatment planning	Radiation dose verification for different anatomy	Custom made based on particular focus on tumor site
Inspecting quality assurance to make sure the correct dose is applied to the phantom before treating the real patients			
Research Used for dosimetry study	Extensive study on different radiotherapy techniques (IMRT, stereotactic body radiotherapy, brachytherapy etc.)		Education Practical demonstration and hands-on purposes in radiotherapy technique and positioning

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BIODEGRADABLE SAMARIUM-153 LOADED MICROSPHERES FOR HEPATIC RADIOEMBOLIZATION

BIODEGRADABLE RADIOACTIVE SAMARIUM-153 LOADED POLY-L-LACTIC ACID (PLLA) MICROSPHERES FOR HEPATIC RADIOEMBOLIZATION OF LIVER CANCER

Liver cancer is the 6th most common diagnosed cancer and the 4th leading cause of cancer death worldwide yearly. Hepatic radioembolization is a combination of embolization and internal radiation therapy to treat intermediate and advanced stage liver cancer. A biodegradable radioactive Samarium-153 (¹⁵³Sm) microspheres formulation with desired physicochemical properties has been developed in this project. The ¹⁵³Sm emits both diagnostic gamma energy and therapeutic beta radiation, renders the synthesized microspheres an ideal theranostics agent for hepatic radioembolization.

Basic Principles of Hepatic Radioembolization Therapy

This procedure is performed under local anesthesia.
The catheter is guided by interventional radiologist until it reaches the hepatic artery.
Liver tumour
Microcatheter
The radioactive microspheres emit radiation and damage the tumour cells
Microcatheter inserted into hepatic artery is used
Microcatheter reaches the tumour through hepatic artery
Tumour

Biodegradable Radioactive Samarium-153 Microspheres

- ✓ Biodegradable
- ✓ Cost effective
- ✓ Non-radioactive during manufacturing
- ✓ Can be produced locally

Theranostics
153-Sm-Labeled Microspheres
Hepatic Radioembolization
Gamma Imaging
Beta (β) Particle ($B_{\alpha} = 1.6 \text{ MeV}$)
Neutron Activation
 $^{153}\text{Gd}(n, \gamma)^{153}\text{Sm}$
Gamma (γ) Ray (159 keV)

¹⁵³Sm loaded PLLA microspheres are potentially useful for hepatic radioembolization due to their biodegradability, favorable radiation characteristics and excellent retention efficiency. The preparation of the formulation does not involve ionizing radiation hence it reduces the costs of production.

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SMART MONITORING OF RADIO FREQUENCY ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS (RF EMF) SYSTEM

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INTRODUCTION
Radio-frequency electromagnetic fields (RF EMF) which are also known as non-ionizing radiation have been known to cause health effects and cancer and has been a concern over the years since 1923 and its implementation into society. Therefore, monitoring for RF EMF exposure is highly important.

OBJECTIVE
The objective of this project is to develop a Smart Monitoring of Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields (RF EMF) System.

Smart Monitoring RF EMF System

PROTOTYPE
A prototype of the system has been developed and it can be used to monitor RF EMF exposure levels in various environments such as residential, office, industrial, and outdoor areas.

INNOVATION IMPACT

- IR4.0 Economy**
The telecommunication infrastructure can be built and scaled smoothly. It will support economic growth, when the communication network is good. Foreign investors tend to invest in our country. This also will support the development of technology along with Industrial Revolution 4.0 (IR4.0) and the usage of IoT based technology will be a significant system.
- Social**
Our world environment can be increased by having good communication networks and infrastructure. A lot of business opportunities can be created and thus will increase the economy and the life of everyone. This is align with the technology development.

TARGET USER

1. Network service provider and network facility provider (telecos company) – this device can be installed at teleco tower for RF EMF monitoring.
2. State government and local council – installed in building and office, temples.
3. Hospital
4. Authority – Malaysian Communication and Multimedia Commission (MCMC), Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA)
5. Building owner, manufacturing (factory) etc.

THE NOVELTY OF THE PROJECT

- It has cloud storage and can be accessed wirelessly by using internet access device/mobile.
- It can be installed at desired RF EMF source and has trigger alarm system which is connect to internet access device, if the RF EMF exposure exceed the permissible exposure limit.
- This monitoring system can be customized to suit the frequency used for various communication technology especially for 4G and 5G various applications.
- We can have real time data display, and data can be automatically downloaded remotely daily, weekly or monthly for analysis.

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TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW & SHOWCASE (TPS)

KITOGAMA AS TILAPIA GROWTH PROMOTER AND IMMUNE ENHANCER

PROBLEM STATEMENT
The drawback of the enzymatic & chemical process for chitosan degradation.

INTRODUCTION

- Chitosan is a natural polysaccharide, biocompatible, nontoxic, biodegradable polymer, soluble in acidic aqueous solutions.
- Because of its large molecular weight and low solubility in most solvents, chitosan's applications are limited.
- Chitosan's solubility can be improved by reducing its molecular weight (degradation) using chemical- or enzymatic reaction.
- Kitogama is a product obtained from radiation degradation of chitosan for use as feed supplement to promote the growth and immune enhancer for tilapia and crustaceans.

OBJECTIVE

- To produce oligochitosan (low molecular weight chitosan) from gamma irradiation technique.
- To produce tilapia and crustacean dietary supplement from oligochitosan.
- To enhance growth and immunity system of tilapia and crustacean.

TECHNOLOGY/METHOD

GAMMA IRRADIATION NOVELTY

- Green technology
- Straight forward process
- Waste to wealth
- Low cost

KITOGAMA NOVELTY

- Excellent FCR (Feed Conversion Ratio)
- Excellent PER (Protein Efficiency Ratio)
- Enhanced growth
- Enhanced immunity
- Reduce mortality

COMMERCIALIZATION POTENTIAL

BENEFIT TO THE USER

- Cost effective
- Shorten harvest time
- Increased yield

BENEFIT TO THE SOCIETY

- Environmental & Ecological friendly
- Economical benefit (reduce price)
- Ensure fish quality/disease free
- Ensure adequate fish supply

KITOGAMA FOR

- > Fish/fresh water fish
- > Crustaceans
- > Poultry
- > Ruminants

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KITOGAMA AS TILAPIA GROWTH PROMOTER AND IMMUNE ENHANCER

CHARACTERIZATION OF CHITOSAN

Water soluble (low molecular weight) chitosan produced by gamma irradiation for use as dietary supplement for fish and crustaceans to enhance growth, immunity, increase yield and shorten harvest time.

PERFORMANCE OF TILAPIA

Weight gain (g)

Feed Conversion ratio (FCR)

Survival Rate

KITOGAMA

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- electrochemical analysis
- recognition & mapping
- crop improvement and breeding
- water and wastewater treatment technology
- wood mechanical and chemical testing
- metabolites
- radio frequency
- nano materials
- material physics
- forensic chemistry
- remote sensing
- material characterization
- biomaterials
- pharmaceutical technology
- genetic engineering
- food safety
- medical diagnosis
- traceability and metatopical chemistry
- chromatography
- bioassay
- bioactive compounds
- mutagenesis
- ceramics

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Solutions
Intelligent Subsurface Investigation (INSI™)

Service Description

Road subsurface condition assessment is an inspection technology to detect subsurface condition such as void, saturated water under pavement, pavement layer and other subsurface objects and structures using highest accuracy non-destructive remote technologies.

Why Need Road Subsurface Condition Assessment ?

- Early Void detection
- Quality of actual road base
- Future planning for repair the road
- Ensure safety to user

Current Issue On Subsurface Condition

INSI™ Data Collection

INSI™ Report

Pavement layer

Layer	Depth (m)
Asphalt	0.25
Road base	0.6
Subbase	1.2
Subgrade	>1.2

3D Pavement layer

Sinkhole detection

3D Sinkhole

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IUMap™

Utility Mapping

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Why it is important

Utility maps are important any time you are breaking ground as they show accurate positions of the buried utilities you will encounter. It also helps to prevent digging into or damaging any utilities that may cause harm to the public or your workforce.

Current Situation Utility Mapping In Malaysia

- Low quality data*
- Unacceptable accuracy*
- Insufficient to be used as based data for excavation work*
- Lack of expertise*

Advantages Of IUMap™

- ✓ Assist on making decision in approve utility work
- ✓ Provide high accuracy utility mapping
- ✓ Assist on re-alignment utility at saturated utility area.
- ✓ Scanning on damaging/sediment road base and drain area
- ✓ Provide 2D & 3D subsurface mapping
- ✓ Provide accurate information for HDD technique implementation.

2D view
Easy for viewing

3D View
Easy for planning of utility

Cross section view
Easy to interpreted utility data

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GPR ROADSCAN: PORTABLE MOUNTING SYSTEM**

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

- Complete, integrated with radar/data acquisition/data processing system for highway pavement inspection applications.
- Installed with versatility design to corporate with three different GSSI GPR antennas 400, 300/800 and 900 MHz.
- Rugged, design for vehicular installation (sedan @ 4WD).
- Installed with linear actuators to move the antenna up and down that give the GPR antenna air-coupled concept

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) is an imaging technology used for pavement testing, concrete structure and subsurface exploration. GPR uses electromagnetic wave propagation to image and identify changes in electrical and magnetic properties in ground. Most commercial GPR systems are developed as conventional ground-based radar system which conducted normally using a hand pushed cart type device. The majority of GPR surveying requires night-time road works or lane closure and affecting the carriageway and walkways to safely undertake them.

In order to help mitigate the time taken to undertake the GPR scanning process, the GPR RoadScan: Portable Mounting System was designed to fully incorporated the GPR system into the vehicle including the survey wheel encoder for distance measuring and linear actuators to move the antenna up and down that give the GPR antenna air-coupled concept. The air-coupled concept has several advantages such as it can create clearer image on radargram as it can reduce the overlapping of the emitted and reflected signals from the surface (Leng, 2011). Besides, air-coupled technique also can avoid the friction between antenna and asphalt pavement that later may worn out the antenna body.

The result is that in larger areas such as the highway and larger cleared pedestrian areas, the vehicle can be used to cover the area more rapidly and reduce the number of shifts required to undertake the works, thus reducing public disruption. It is also eliminates the need for lane closures and provide a safer working environment. This mounting system provide an attachable and removable option for uses on sedan or four-wheel drive vehicle. This mount can be easily broken down for storage and transportation.

MAIN FINDING

NOVELTY

The portable mounting system design

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- NRT** INTERPRETATION AND EVALUATION OF RADIOGRAPH LEVEL II (10 days)
- NRT** DIGITAL RADIOGRAPH LEVEL I (8 days)
- NET** EDDY CURRENT LEVEL I & II (8 - 10 days)
- RPO** RADIATION PROTECTION FOR OFFICER (9 days)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Industrial Radiography, Eddy Current and Interpretation of Radiograph

- 18 years old and above
- Able to read and write in Bahasa Malaysia and English
- Has basic mathematical knowledge
- The candidate shall provide documentary evidence of satisfactory vision

Radiation Protection for Officer (RPO)

- Minimum requirement : SPM or other relevant certification
- RPO in Industrial Radiography : Pass the Industrial Radiography Level II JPK Examination

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- NDT Contractors Supplier
- NDT Practitioners
- Personnel Engaged in Oil and Gas Industry
- Power Plant (Construction and Maintenance)
- Chemical Plant (Maintenance)
- Producer of Pressure Vessel
- Shipping Industry
- Aviation Industry
- Automotive
- Lecturer
- Researcher
- Those who are going to be qualified as radiation protection officer (RPO)
- Radiation protective supervisor (RPS)
- Safety and health officer
- Engineer
- Manager
- Locators
- Suppliers
- Medical officer
- Those who are responsible for the safe use of existing equipment in various activities

Open to Public

- Graduated
- Unemployed
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- SDA Link

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PUSPATI TRIGA REACTOR

TRIGA
Training Research Isotope Production General Atomic

Vertical Cross Section of RTP

IRRADIATIONS FACILITIES

- Dry tube
- Central thimble
- Thermal Column
- Rotary Rack (RR)
- Neutron Radiography (NRP)
- Pneumatic Transfer System (PTS)
- Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS)
- Delayed Neutron Activation (DNA)

APPLICATIONS OF RTP

NUCLEAR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Science Studies
 - Environmental, Material, Geophysical, Astronomical, Vibrational Studies (metal, ceramics, polymers and biologics)
 - Nuclear Materials
 - Non-Destructive Testing (NDT)

RADIOISOTOPE PRODUCTION

- Medical Diagnosis Studies
- Medical Therapeutic Studies
- Chemical and Agricultural Applications

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Undergraduate and Postgraduate
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PUSPATI TRIGA REACTOR
VERTICAL CROSS SECTION

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Reactor Parameter

Reactor Model	TRIGA MARK III Pool Type
Maximum Power	1 MW Thermal (Steady-state)
Nuclear Fuel	U-ZrH _{1-x} (Standard TRIGA)
Enrichment	U-235 (20%)
Control Rod	• Boron Carbide, BC • (3 Fuel Follower CR, 1 Air Follower CR)
Moderator/Coolant	Light water (Demineralized)
Reflector	Graphite
Typical Neutron Flux	1×10^{17} n/cm ² s (Rotary Rack)
Maximum Neutron Flux	1×10^{18} n/cm ² s (Central Thimble)
Normal Operation	6 months/4 days/week

Irradiation Facilities

Central Thimble	A - 1 (Centre of reactor core)
Dry Tube	F - 11 (In core)
Pneumatic Transfer System (PTS)	G - 29 (In core)
Neutron Radiography (NuRo)	Radial Beamport #3 (Out core)
Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS)	Radial Beamport #4 (Out core)
Thermal Column	Out core
Unused Beamport	▪ Radial Beamport #1 (Out core) ▪ Tangential Beamport #2 (Out core)

Vertical cross section of PUSPATI TRIGA Reactor.

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APN ANALISIS PENGAKTIFAN NEUTRON
TEKNIK ANALISIS NUKLEAR

APA ITU APN?

Kaedah kuantitatif dan kualitatif untuk penentuan secara jitu unsur surih dalam pelbagai jenis sampel.

Teknik APN berdasarkan pengukuran sinar gama berciri yang dipancarkan oleh radioisotop-radioisotop hasil daripada tindak balas antara nukleus unsur-unsur di dalam sampel dengan neutron setelah disingarkan di dalam reaktor nuklear.

PROSES APN

- Persediaan Sampel
- Penyinaran
- Pembilangan

JENIS SAMPEL

KOMPONEN UTAMA APN

• Sumber neutron (reaktor, pulsa neutron, sumber radioaktif, laser)

• Detektor sinar gama (ORTEC)

• Komputer dan peralatan analisis

PENGUNAAN APN

- Pengukuran unsur boron (B, Pu, Ag)
- Pengukuran unsur-subsunt兀素
- Pengukuran unsur teknologi (uranium, thorium, aktinium, zirconium, mangan, silikat, biologi)
- Analisis polutan unsur teknologi pertambangan (zinc, arsenik, merkuri)
- Analisis kapur (pengukuran unsur teknologi pertambangan dan kapur)

KELEBIHAN TEKNIK APN

Berupaya menganalisis pelbagai unsur secara serentak	Modus dikendalikan – tidak melibatkan rawatan kimia basah	Tidak melibatkan blank/reagent – mengelakkan pencemaran terhadap sampel	Ketepatan dan kepresisan yang tinggi dan tidak bergantung kepada jenis matriks	Sangat sensitif mampu mengesan unsur-unsur tertentu sehingga ke paras pikogram
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RTP NUCLEAR SECURITY

NUCLEAR SECURITY PROTECTION POLICY OBJECTIVE

Protect persons, property, society and environment from malicious acts involving nuclear material and other radioactive material.

UNAUTHORIZED REMOVAL

- Protect against theft and other unlawful taking of nuclear material.
- Ensure the implementation of rapid and comprehensive measures to locate and, where appropriate, recover missing or stolen nuclear material.

SABOTAGE

- Protect nuclear material and nuclear facilities against sabotage.
- Mitigating or minimize the radiological consequences of sabotage.

The nuclear security policy to achieve the objectives through:

- Prevention of a malicious act by means of deterrence and by protection of sensitive information.
- Management of an attempted malicious act or a malicious act by integrated system of detection, delay and response.
- Mitigation of the consequences of a malicious act.

REAKTOR TRIGA PUSPATI (RTP): SAMARIUM (Sm-153) PRODUCTION FOR PALLIATIVE TREATMENT OF CANCER PATIENT

RTP is a 1000-kW nuclear research reactor that can offer neutron irradiation to produce radioisotopes for medical and industrial applications. Production of Samarium (Sm-153) is currently carried out for cancer patients. Most of the cancer patients (e.g. prostate, breast or lung) have to endure extreme pain in the bones. This radioisotopic treatment is meant to relieve pain instead of using steroid which may affects patients' physical activities. Sm-153 can be produced by bombarding neutrons into target material which is Samarium Oxide (Sm-152).

Sm-152 Preparation

Sm-152 is prepared by laboratory technician closed quartz tube and encapsulated in aluminium capsule

Sm-152 Irradiation

Sm-152 is irradiated at 750kW thermal power. At this condition, neutrons are produced from the Uranium-235 fission process at the reactor core. Duration of irradiation depends on the desired activity of Sm-153 requested by the client (e.g. 8, 12 or 24 hours).

Sm-153 Product Unloading

Irradiated Sm-153 is cooled down for more than 8 hours after reactor shut down to allow the radiation level decrease to a manageable level before it is moved out from the reactor. Irradiated Sm-153 is placed in a shielded transfer cask and transported to the medical laboratory for further processing before delivery to the hospital.

Caption: Only radiation workers can perform this activities and all radiation protection procedures are implemented for personnel radiation safety.

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THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CCD CAMERA TYPE DETECTOR IN DIGITAL NEUTRON IMAGING AT LOW FLUX TRIGA REACTOR

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Neutron Radiography Facility (NRF) was installed at one of the radial beam port of the 1-MW PUSPATI TRIGA MARK II research reactor in Malaysia in 1984 for non-destructive testing (NDT) application with an objective to utilize the reactor more potentially. A major step in the improvement of the neutron radiography activity at PUSPATI TRIGA Reactor is the implementation of digital neutron detector for neutron radiography. The new neutron detector is based on a LiF-2HS scintillator, a front coated mirror, lenses and a cooled scientific CCD camera. We present here some information on the neutron radiography activities and the current status of the improvement.

1. INTRODUCTION

The development of neutron radiography in Malaysia started with the reduction gamma at the exposure plane. In addition, the new facility availability of the country's first research reactor, the 1-MW PUSPATI TRIGA Reactor, commissioned in June 1982, mainly as a tool for research and development purposes. The PUSPATI TRIGA is a swimming pool-type light water-moderated reactor with enriched uranium-zirconium-hydride fuel and graphite reflector. There are three radial beam ports, one tangential beam port and one thermal column. The maximum steady state operating power of the reactor is 1MW and at this operating power, the thermal neutron flux at the edge of the reactor core is around $2.757 \times 10^{17} \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{s}$.

Recently, preliminary testing after the implementation of digital neutron radiography based on CCD camera has been done using SANS beam port due to the neutron facility is currently under construction. The neutron beam intensity at SANS beam port is estimated to be $\sim 200 \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{s}$ with the TRIGA reactor operating at 750kW. Several experiments have been performed on this experimental station using the new neutron detector. The results have demonstrated that the new neutron detector at SANS beam port show high potential to inspect low thickness samples. Until now just a few experiments were studied and a systematic study is still pending. More work will be explored on real time neutron radiography and neutron tomography using the new neutron detector at neutron facility beam port. The most important prospect, the performance of the imaging instruments will be quantified using standard test phantoms.

2. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

Figure 1: Cut away view of a TRIGA Reactor showing the radial beam ports, core, graphite reflector, thermal column, steel reactor vessel, and the thermal beam port.

Figure 2: Experimental setup for neutron radiography at SANS beam port facility (TRIGA reactor).

3. RESULTS

Figure 3: Radiograph from 2D micro CT scanner.

Figure 4: Radiograph of carbon fiber.

Figure 5: Radiograph of copper tube.

Figure 6: Radiograph of stainless steel tube.

Figure 7: Radiograph of lead brick.

Figure 8: Dynamic neutron images of Osteo.

Figure 9: Radiograph of flower.

Figure 10: Radiograph of flower.

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i-PFRX INTELLIGENT PIPE FAILURE RATE ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR WATER-COOLED REACTOR

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INTRODUCTION

This work aims to design and innovate an experimental test rig by simplifying the primary piping system in a typical nuclear reactor facility such as TRIGA PUSPATI (R01). The cooling system consists of numerous pipelines network pose significant problems including the one in a nuclear research reactor. Thermal and industrial activities, corrosion, embrittlement mechanism as well as aging, provide an environment susceptible to increased pipe failure rates (PFR).

The occurrence of PFR is most likely due to the aging mechanism including (a) thermal embrittlement, (b) low and high cycle thermal fatigue, (c) stress corrosion cracking mechanisms, and, (d) Flow Accelerated Corrosion (FAC) and high cycle mechanical fatigue that causing loss of material toughness.

MOTIVATION

To assess the PFR of the reactor due to the internal initiating events

- Numerous suitable approaches and techniques to assess the fault detection in the piping system are available to explore for this purpose.
- The relationships are established between time-dependent pipe rupture frequencies and observable parameters that describe the failure, inspection, and repair processes to support the application of the models.
- A piping reliability database in the cumulative operating experience of water-cooled reactor (WCRs) piping systems shall be developed.

To investigate the potential of artificial intelligence approach to predict PFR

- Using a range of measurable parameters of the system such as pipe age, diameter, depth, length, pressure, the length of piping, the number of welds and joints, and other associated components.

ADVANTAGES

- using artificial intelligence philosophy to predict early detection of PFR in complicates pipeline
- online information, easily access via computing media
- less human intervention, eg manual inspection, limited access to space & pipeline orientation
- minimize and reduced disruption of operation that requires very long maintenance period for replacement of the system

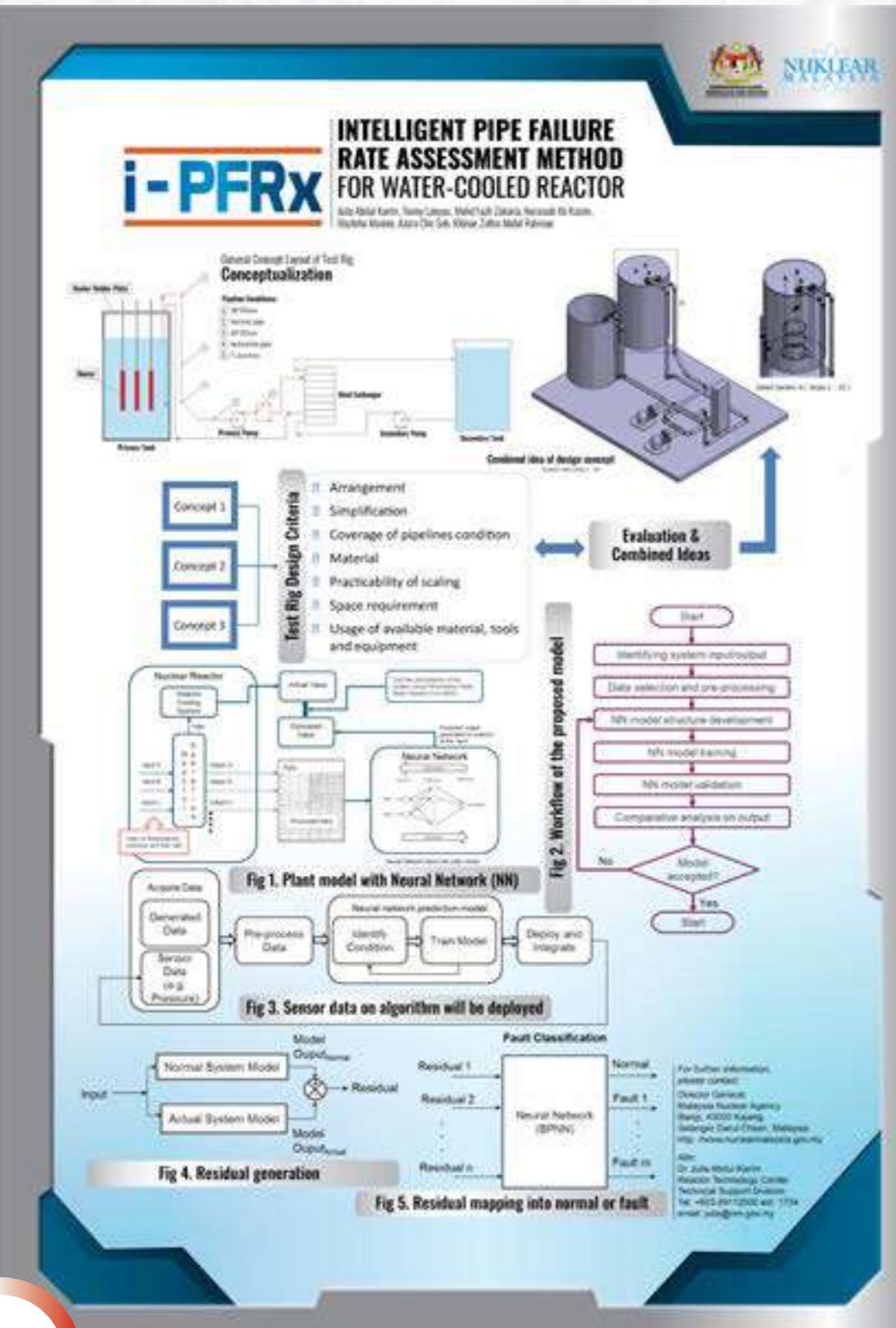
OUTPUT

This innovation is aimed to revolutionize the philosophy and methodology of assessing pipe failure rates in water pipeline system especially in the water-cooled reactor. However, this application is not limited to the nuclear industry but also invited for other beneficiaries that having a common problem to assess the pipeline for efficiency and diligence of the system. In line with the revolution towards of digitalization and industrial 4.0, the application of Internet of things, artificial intelligence methodology applicable to minimize human intervention in many kinds of process and makes ease of life in future.

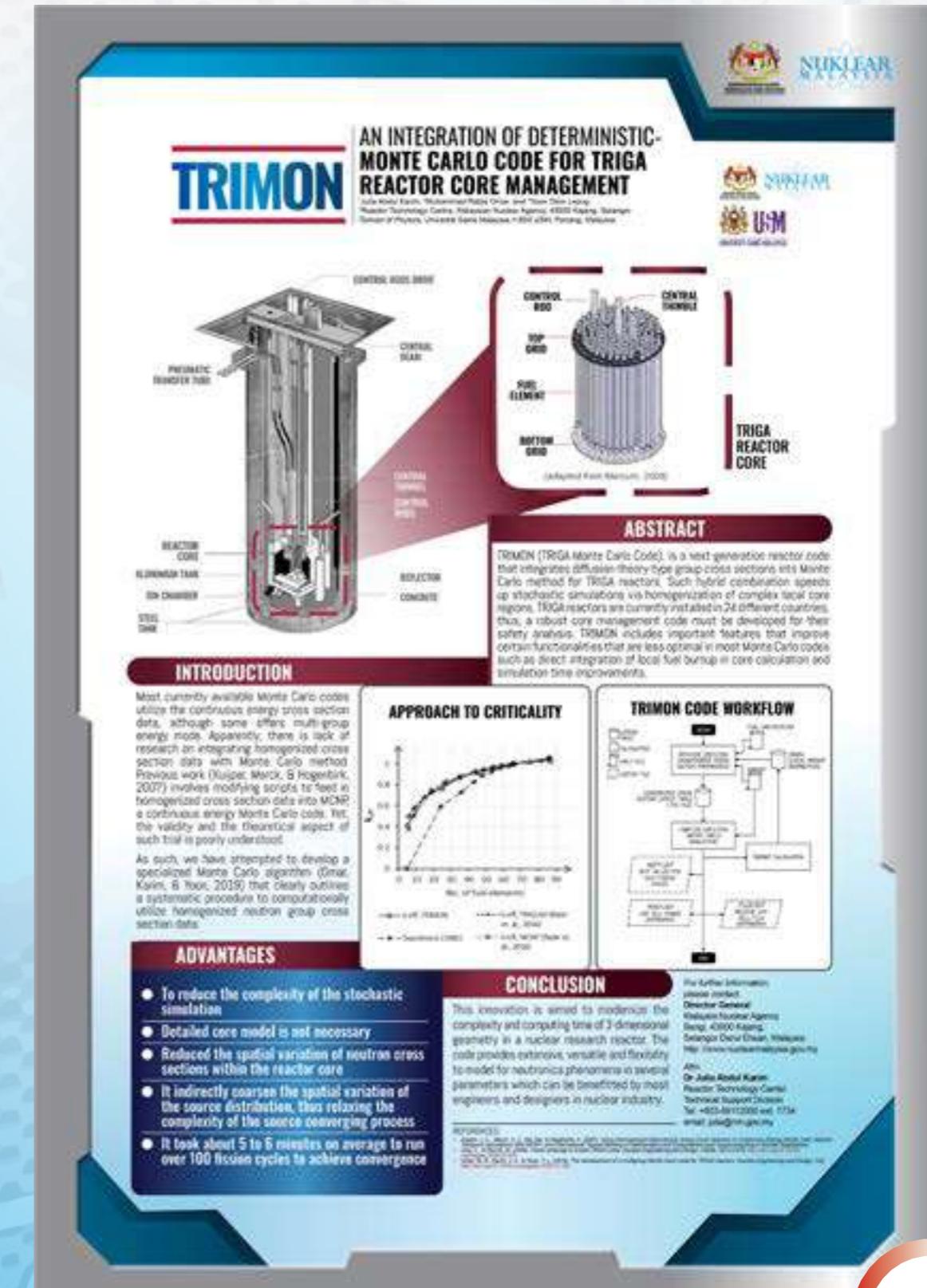
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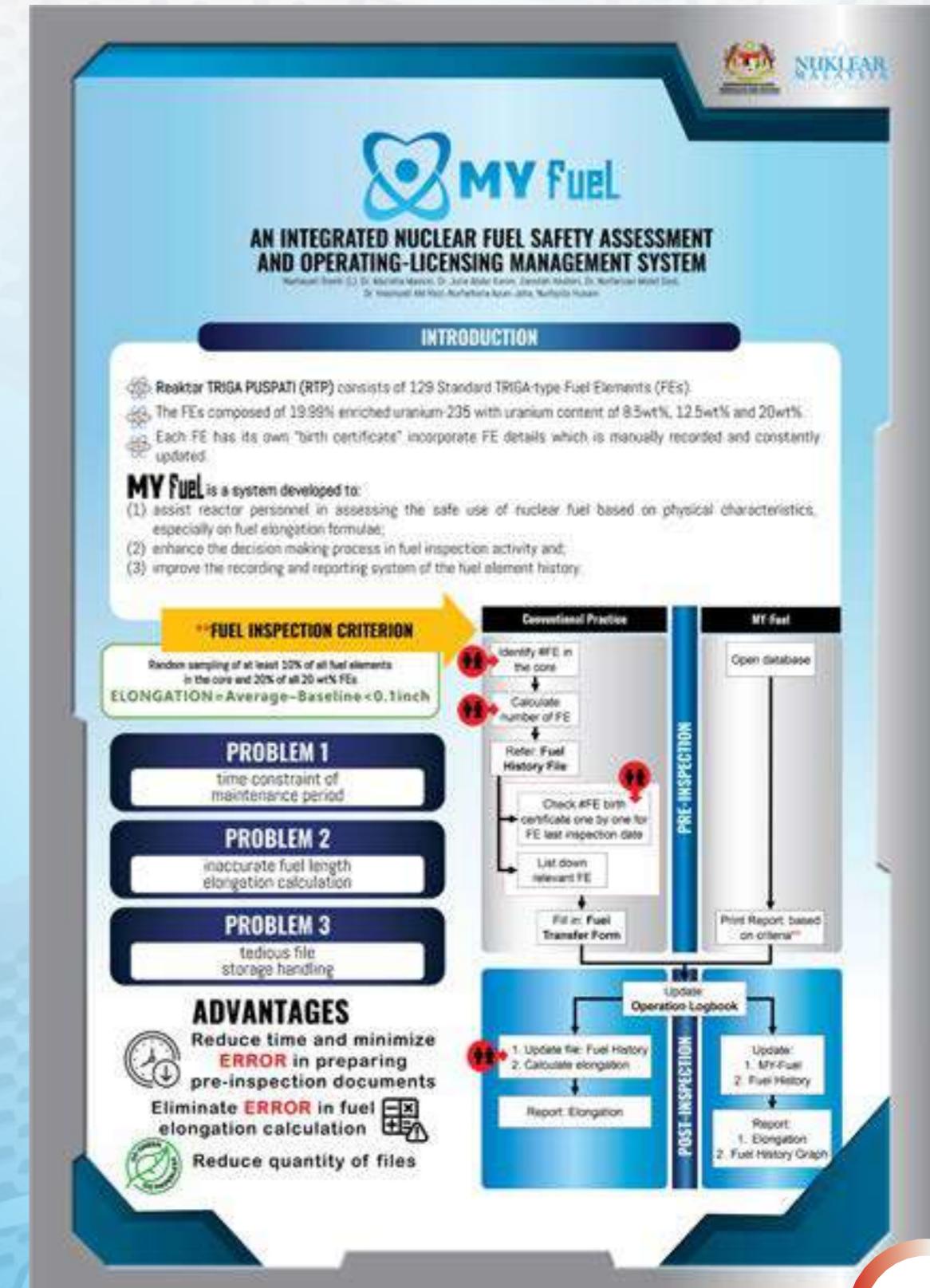
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Radioisotopes Production using (n,γ) Reaction at PUSPATI TRIGA Reactor

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ABSTRACT

Production of short-lived radioisotopes using neutron activation technique that employs (n,γ) reaction has been carried out at the 1MW PUSPATI TRIGA Reactor (RTP) with the thermal neutron flux $\approx 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ fission cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$. Several incise locations are available to produce the radioisotopes including Selenium-75, Bromine-82, and Arsenic-36 for various agriculture, hydrology, medical and industrial applications. Neutron activation technique was chosen due to the ability of target material to absorb the neutron to produce its isotope that cannot be chemically separated. This paper describes the use of a TRIGA reactor utilised a neutron activation technique to produce short-lived radioisotopes for various application in Malaysia.

INTRODUCTION

RTF Operational Data 1982 - 2017

NEUTRON ACTIVATION METHOD

• Neutron interacts with a target nucleus by non-elastical collision, thus forming a highly excited compound nucleus.
• The compound nucleus has a short lifetime and can deexcite in different ways which usually involve the emission of nuclear particles or gamma rays.
• Accumulation
=Production+Decay

Radionuclides & Half-Life	Target Materials	Product	Estimated Activity
^{60}Co 5.29y	MoO_3	$\text{Mo}^{99m} / \text{Tc}^{99m}$	300mCi
^{32}P 14.3days	Red Phosphorus	$\text{PP}_{32} / \text{P}^{32}$	200mCi
^{32}P 12.8 hrs	$\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{Cu}^{64} / \text{Cu}^{64}$	100mCi
^{65}Zn 245days	ZnO	$\text{Zn}^{65} / \text{Zn}^{65}$	50mCi
^{197}Au 2.7days	Gold foil	$\text{Au}^{197} / \text{Au}^{197}$	25mCi
^{40}K 12.4hrs	K_2CO_3	$\text{K}^{40} / \text{K}^{40}$	20mCi
^{36}Ar 15hrs	Na_2CO_3	$\text{Na}^{36} / \text{Ar}^{36}$	20mCi
^{82}Br 35.4days	KBr	$\text{Br}^{82} / \text{Br}^{82}$	20mCi
^{40}Ca 27.5days	K_2CaO_2	$\text{Ca}^{40} / \text{Ca}^{40}$	10mCi
^{84}Se 84days	Silicon glass	$\text{Se}^{84} / \text{Se}^{84}$	10mCi
^{109}Ag 253days	Silver metal	$\text{Ag}^{109} / \text{Ag}^{109}$	10mCi
^{59}Fe 45.3days	Fe_2O_3	$\text{Fe}^{59} / \text{Fe}^{59}$	100mCi
^{103}Rh 46.39y	Sm_2O_3	$\text{Sm}^{103} / \text{Rh}^{103}$	100mCi

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PALM OIL FUEL ASH (POFA)-SUPPLEMENTED CEMENTITIOUS MATERIAL FOR CONTAINMENT OF RADIUM

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Abstract

- An integrated research project was established to support the design of borehole disposal facility for DGRS. It aims to optimize the cementitious backfill barrier by investigating its mechanical and confinement performances.
- Ra-226 confinement behavior was investigated using a set of batch sorption and diffusion experiments for POFA-supplemented cementitious material and reference OPC.
- Optimized POFA-supplemented material has higher K_d and R_a , and reduced apparent diffusion coefficient.

Challenges / Methods / Implementation

Methods

- Batch sorption: POFA-supplemented cement and OPC hardened cubes were crushed, ground and sieved to granular samples of size <250µm. The resulting samples were used in kinetic batch sorption studies at different temperatures.
- Through diffusion: Through-diffusion method using Pampco diffusion cell was employed. The diffusion experiments were carried out for 250 days at room temperature in saturated condition mimicking the condition in a disposal facility.

Materials

- Raw POFA was processed via drying, heat-treatment, grinding and sieving to obtain final POFA sample with particles size <250µm that was used to prepare cubes and coupon for sorption and diffusion experiments, respectively (Fig 1).

Conclusion

- The study demonstrated the potential use of POFA-supplemented cementitious material as backfill material for containment of radium.
- The kinetic analyses suggested that the sorption of Ra-226 onto the surface of the cement progressed via chemisorption reaction.
- POFA-supplemented cementitious material has higher distribution and retardation coefficients, and reduced apparent diffusion coefficient.

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IRIDIUM-192: THE MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY DIVISION EXPERIENCE

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Introduction

Nuclear Malaysia and a Malaysian NDT company have collaborated to install Iridium-192 ($\text{Ir}-192$) sealed source for non-destructive testing gamma radiography-based applications. This technology transfer service from the Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute (KAERI) will undergo final installation at Nuclear Malaysia before distributed locally.

Description of the Work or Project

This paper describe the assembling technique as well as to evaluate the risks to which workers are exposed during handling of the source. Current consumption rates, market growth, and the underlying projection of demand are mapped out together.

Conclusions

The results allowed for establishing radioprotection policies and future projection in order to ensure efficient and safe production in all stage.

ASSEMBLING TECHNIQUE

MONITORING PROGRAMME

Capsule and pigtail

Occupational doses presented in this study are carried out using dosimeters supplied by the Secondary Standard Dosimetry Laboratory (SSDL) of Nuclear Malaysia. The results are evaluated and compared with annual dose limits for workers.

Accumulative yearly dose for area monitoring from 2017-2018

MARKET DEMAND

RECOMMENDATION

The NDT and inspection market is estimated to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 8% from 2018 to 2024. Stringent government regulations regarding public safety and product quality, and continuous advances in electronics, automation, and robotics are a few key factors driving the growth of this industry.

Industrial radiography has already been identified as the work practice which give rise to the highest occupational doses in Malaysia. Taking into account, internal audit and inspections must be conducted periodically to ensure the protection of experienced workers even though the accumulative dose is still below the permissible limit.

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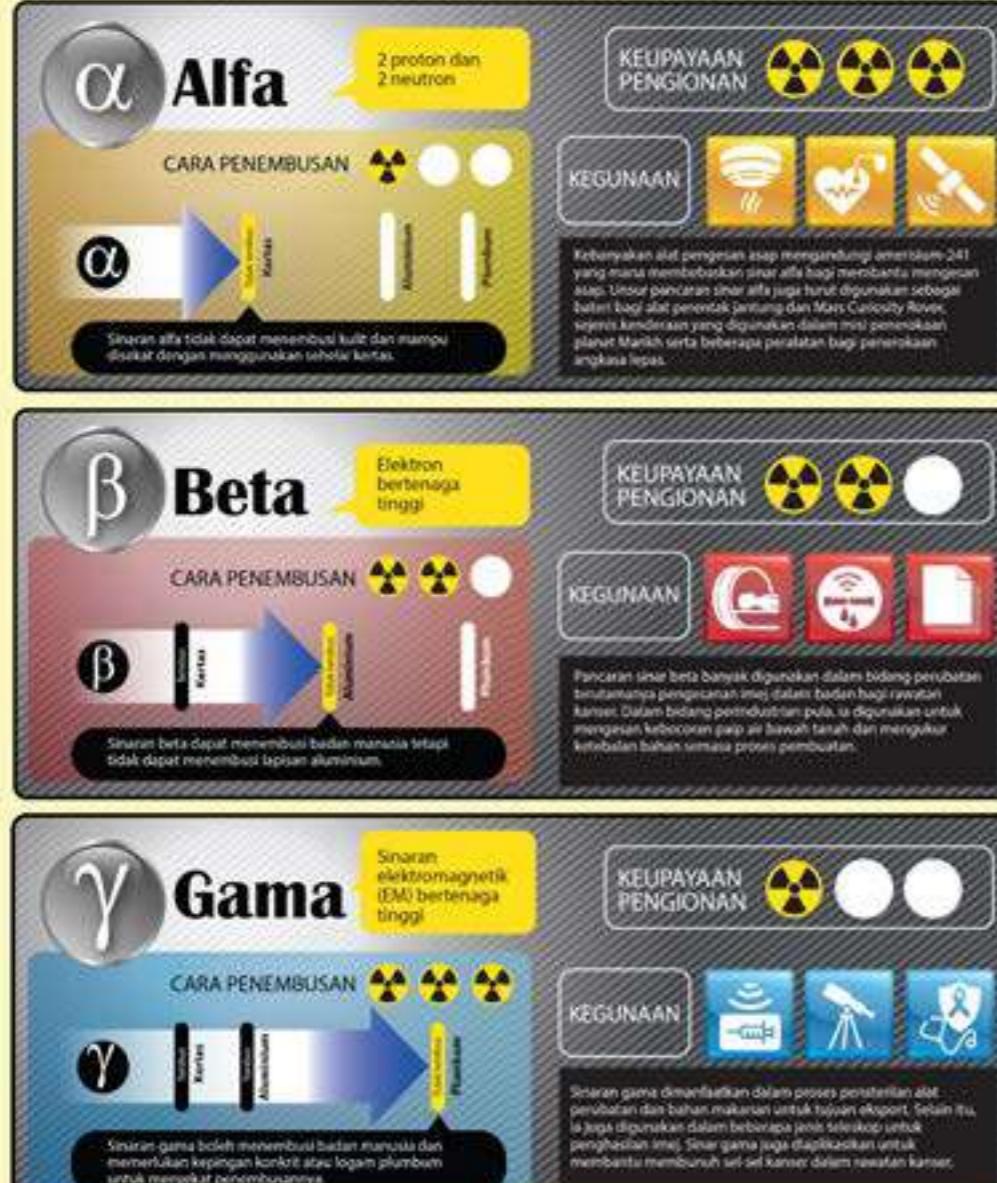
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DOES UV RADIATION KILL COVID-19 VIRUSES?

Preamble

UV radiation has been commonly used to kill bacteria and viruses. Ultraviolet germicidal irradiation (UVGI) is a disinfection method that uses short-wavelength ultraviolet C or UV-C radiation to kill or inactivate the microorganisms. The use of UVC in combating COVID-19 spread has been used widely in many countries. There are many Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation (UVGI) device available in the market and easily accessible to the consumer. Besides of its effectiveness for disinfection of bacteria and viruses, the use of UVC should be monitored for safety reason as the UV radiation exposure is hazardous to human. UVC is categorised as non-ionising radiation and over exposure to UVC radiation is very harmful to skin and eye. There is concern whether UVGI device is safe to be used as a consumer product. This webinar will focus on the use of UVC for disinfection and its efficacy, its potential hazard to human, regulatory requirement & current international standard on UV radiation application.

Objective To disseminate information and awareness on UV radiation safety and its efficacy for COVID-19 viruses disinfection

Prof. Ng Kwan Hoong (UMMC)

Dr. Tsutomu Okuno (ICNIRP)

Dr. Mohd Yusof bin Hamzah (Nuclear Agency)

Ms. Roha binti Tukimin (Nuclear Agency)

Dr. Rosa binti Sarmin (MoH)



Time	Topic	Speaker
9.15 am	Registration	
9.30 am	Opening and welcoming remark	Ts Dr. Siti Aisyah binti Hashim Director General of Malaysian Nuclear Agency
9.45 am	UV Radiation and Nuclear Malaysia's Role Opening and Welcoming Remark	Ms. Roha binti Tukimin (Nuclear Malaysia)
10.05 am	Safety Concern on UV Radiation Usage	Prof Dr. Ng Kwan Hoong (Universiti Malaya Medical Centre)
10.30 am	UV Radiation Hazards and ICNIRP Guidelines	Dr. Tsutomu Okuno International Commission for Non-ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP)
11.15 am	UV Germicidal 101: Efficacy and Its Importance	Dr. Mohd Yusof bin Hamzah (Nuclear Malaysia)
11.35 am	Ultraviolet Device in Medicine: Evidence Based Approach	Dr. Rosa binti Sarmin (Ministry of Health)
12.00 pm	Forum (Question & Answer Session)	

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