

FLUKA Simulations of ISAC Targets

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Outline

- Overview of ISAC Targets
 - Target location in the hall
 - Target components
 - Target life cycle
- FLUKA simulations
 - Time evolution of radio-nuclide inventory
 - Time evolution of dose rate
 - Shielding assessment for spent targets



General Layout of the ISAC Facility (present)





General Layout of the ISAC & ARIEL (upcoming)

- New Electron beam via a Superconducting LINAC
 25 MeV, 4 mA
 50 MeV, 10 mA
- New Proton beam via the BL4N port of the existing Cyclotron
 500 MeV, 200 μA
- Addition of two new Target
 Stations, Hot cells, Target
 Conditioning Stations, Storage
 area





Location of things



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Target function

Different target materials to produce RIBs Different assembly configurations ~10 targets irradiated per year

Mass separator, beam transport system, and RFQ

ISACI or ISACII experimental stations for nuclear structure and astrophysics

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Target Components





Target Components - Target Material

Different materials, depending on the radionuclide of interest Heat dissipation through radiative cooling and conduction

Refractory target foils: Nb, Ta

Compound targets: TaC/Gr, TiC/Gr, SiC/Gr, ZrC/Gr, UO, Ucx/Gr, ...

Carbides bound onto a graphite foil to achieve higher thermal conductivity





Target Components: Target Oven



 $I_P \le 40 \ \mu A$ Dissipates up to 5 kW of power deposited by beam

55 μ A \leq I_P \leq 100 μ A Dissipates up to 25 kW of power deposited by beam



Target Components – Heat Shield







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FLUKA SIMULATIONS Standard (single step) FLUKA run

Using standard FLUKA (single FLUKA simulation)

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- Production of radioactive isotopes in the target material
- Time evolution of the radionuclide inventory and their activity
- Time evolution of residual dose rate, 1 m from the target
- Contribution of back-scattered neutrons to activation and dose rate
- Using Stefan Roesler's two-step method
 - First-step: Production of radio-nuclides at given cooling times for a given irradiation profile, in different regions
 - Second-step: Assessing shielding for dose rates calculated from transport of the $\beta^{_{+}}$, $\beta^{_{-}}$, γ emitted from radio-nuclides of the first-step

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Targets simulated

Studied six ISAC targets used between 2008 and 2010 Beam energy: 480 MeV Beam profile: Gaussian with 7 mm FWHM

- ·	Target	Oven	Ion Source	Heat	Shield	Beam Intensity	Irradiation time
larget	LP	HP	SIS	TM1	TM4	(μA)	(h)
Ta#27	X		Х	Х		40	705
SiCGr#24	X		Х	Х		35	286
Ta#26		Х	X		Х	70	578
SiCGr#25		Х	X		Х	68	247
Nb#4		Х	X		Х	98	416
Nb#5		Х	Х		Х	98	537

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Material description

Target Material

- Single elements: Ta and Nb
 Volume = total length * disc area
 Effective Density = (total mass) / volume
- Compounds: SiC bounded onto graphite (SiC/Gr) Find fractional masses:

Mass(SiC): # SiC discs * t_SiC * ρ_SiC * disc area Mass(Gr): # gr discs * t_gr * ρ_gr * disc area Find compound effective density: Effective Density = (total mass) / volume

• Target Oven + Heat Shield + Ion Source Ta, Cu, AIN, AI alloy 6061-T6, and SST

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Targets simulated

Six regions for activation study: Target material + Ta + Cu + 6061-T6 + AIN + SST

Target	Length (cm)	Mass (g)	Effective Density (g/cm ³)
Ta#27	7.5	46.19	2.89
SiCGr#24	18.4	55.46	1.36
Ta#26	7.2	46.19	2.78
SiCGr#25	18.5	54.63	1.33
Nb#4	8.6	23.85	1.25
Nb#5	4.0	18.7	2.05

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Targets simulated

Six regions for activation study: Target material + Ta + Cu + 6061-T6 + AlN + SST

Target Module	Quantity	Region		Region			
		Та	Cu	6061-T6	AIN	SST	
TM1	Volume (cm ³)	29.4	461.3	109.3	19.8	28.6	
	Density (g/cm ³)	16.7	9.0	2.7	3.3	8.0	
	Mass (g)	489.2	4133.3	295.2	64.8	228.6	
TM4	Volume (cm ³)	62.9	711.4	164.4	19.8	32.6	
	Density (g/cm ³)	16.7	9.0	2.7	3.3	8.0	
	Mass (g)	1047.0	6374.4	443.9	64.8	260.9	

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Geometry description

Target material

Solid cylinder inside the Target Oven with top cut off

Target Oven

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Inf. Cylinders + planes + RPPs to mimic geometry in the drawings as closely as possible (fins' tot. Volume added to the T.O. tube)

Heat Shield + Ion Source

RCCs to describe cover, cover plate, and base for Heat Shield

Copper tubes added into the above volume, using volumes from solid works

All remaining components of H.S. And Ion Source, were added as simple geometrical shapes, using volume and material info. From solid works Sep 20, 2012

FLUKA SIMULATIONS – Geometry

Ta#26

Activated:

- Evaporation of heavy fragments
 PHYSICS SDUM=EVAPORAT WHAT(1)=3
- Coalescence mechanism
 PHYSICS SDUM=COALESCE WHAT(1)=1

FLUKA Transport settings (1)

Set:

- Production thresholds for e⁺,e⁻,γ in all materials to 20 keV (KE)
 EMFCUT SDUM=PROD-CUT WHAT(1)=2E-5 WHAT(2)=2E-5 WHAT(4) and WHAT(5) to cover all materials
- Transport threshold for e⁺, e⁻, γ in all regions to 20 keV (KE)
 EMFCUT SDUM='empty' WHAT(1)=2E-5 WHAT(2)=2E-5 WHAT(4) and WHAT(5) to cover all regions
- Proton transport cut-off for protons to 1 keV
 PART-THR SDUM=Energy WHAT(1)=1E-6 WHAT(2)=PROTON

FLUKA Transport settings (2)

Radioactive decays

- Activate radioactive decays for build-up and cooldown times
- Set transport energy cut-off for β^+ , β^- , γ to 20 KeV
- Set transport energy cut-off mult. factor to 99999 (kill electromagnetic cascade in the prompt part)

RADDECAY SDUM=PROD-CUT WHAT(1)=Active WHAT(2)=On WHAT(3)=3 WHAT(4)=0 WHAT(5)=1099999

Define irradiation profile

Irradiation time: 578 hours , Beam Intensity: 70 μ A IRRPROFI WHAT(1)=2080800 WHAT(2)=4.3694E14

Set build-up times

Build-up times (4): 1 h, 1 d, 3 d, 10 d after SOB DCYTIMES WHAT(1)=-2.0772E6 WHAT(2)=-1.9944E6 WHAT(3)=-1.8216E6 WHAT(4)=-1.2168E6

Set cool-down times

Cool-down times (9): 0 s, 1 h, 1 d, 10 d, 40 d, 1 y, 2y, 3y, 5y after EOB

DCYTIMES WHAT(1)=0 WHAT(2)=3600 WHAT(3)=86400 WHAT(4)=864000 WHAT(5)=3.456E6 WHAT(6)=3.154E7 WHAT(7)=6.307E7 WHAT(8)=9.461E7 WHAT(9)=1.577E8

FLUKA Scoring (1)

Looked at:

 Isotope production rate (nuclei/prim) in each of the 6 regions (6 RESNUCLE cards)
 Ex: Isotope production rate in the Tantalum target region

RESNUCLE 3. -21. 74. 49. rTgtTa26 1.RNTgt

 Time evolution of activities (Bq) in each of the 6 regions (78 RESNUCLE plus 13 DCYSCORE cards)
 Ex: Activity in the Tantalum target region, 1 hour after EOB

RESNUCLE3.-31.74.49.rTgtTa261.SOB1hTgtDCYSCORE1.SOB1hTgtRESNUCLE

FLUKA Scoring (2)

Looked at:

 Time evolution of residual dose rate (pSv/s) in a cylindrical detector (1m long x 10 cm thick) filled with air, placed 1 m away from the center of the beamline Ex: Residual dose rate, 1 hour after SOB

USRTRACK -1. DOSE-EQ -47. rDet 65973.46 100.DEDetSB1h USRTRACK 0.010010 1E05 &

Used the default AMB74 fluence to dose equivalent conversion coefficients

FLUKA simulation results (1)

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- Based on 100 M primaries (20 M prim/run * 5 runs)
- Post-processing:
 - Used flair to combine results of multiple runs
 - Used python, shell, and awk scripting to extract relevant information from "tab" and "sum" files for comparison purposes

FLUKA simulation results Time evolution of residual dose rates in the detector

As a function of energy for Ta#26

Build-up times

Cool-down times

Detector placed 1 m away from the target (1m long x 10 cm thick)

FLUKA simulation results (3) Time evolution of residual dose rates in the detector

Total dose rates for the 6 targets studied

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FLUKA simulation results (4) Residual dose rates – comparison B/N FLUKA and measurement

	Measurement	Dose Rate	(mSv/h)		
Target	time after EOB (years)	Measurement +/- 10%	FLUKA +/- < 0.5%	FLUKA/Measurement	
Ta#27	2.65	2.71	2.96	1.09	
SiCGr#24	1.20	1.99	1.55	0.78	
Ta#26	3.14	3.34	3.51	1.05	
Nb#4	2.13	3.89	3.31	0.85	

FLUKA simulation results (5)

Total activities: Comparison between FLUKA & measurement

γ-emitting Isotopes		Total activity (Bq), 3 years after EOB							
lastana	T _{1/2}	Ta#27		SiCGr#24		Ta#26		Nb#4	
Isotope	(y)	FLUKA	Assay	FLUKA	Assay	FLUKA	Assay	FLUKA	Assay
Na-22	2.60	6.37e+7	7.43e+7	2.43e+9	4.08e+9	6.05e+7	3.21e+7	4.54e+7	1.16e+8
Mn-54	0.86	4.09e+8	3.58e+8	2.69e+8	3.74e+8	6.76e+8	3.23e+8	5.00e+8	3.50e+8
Co-56	0.21	7.28e+5		5.66e+5	4.25e+5	1.15e+6		9.11e+5	
Co-57	0.74	8.94e+8	2.83e+8	6.04e+8	2.82e+8	1.42e+9	6.05e+8	1.04e+9	
Co-58	0.19	1.34e+6	1.78e+8	8.41e+5	9.53e+5	2.23e+6	1.63e+9	1.62e+8	1.47e+7
Co-60	5.28	8.93e+8	6.09e+8	3.29e+8	4.84e+8	7.75e+8	1.05e+9	5.37e+8	6.22e+8
Zn-65	0.67	4.11e+7		2.81e+7	4.41e+7	5.43e+7		2.02e+8	1.52e+8
Se-75	0.33	4.99e+5	2.17e+7	4.43e+4		8.18e+5		7.63e+7	4.55e+7
Y-88	0.29	9.19e+5	1.89e+6	6.96e+4	3.65e+5	1.62e+6	2.74e+9	9.27e+8	5.87e+8
Lu-172	0.02	1.63e+10		1.56e+9		3.15e+10		1.07e+10	
Lu-173	1.37	1.64e+10		1.61e+9		3.22e+10	3.66e+8	1.12e+10	
Hf-172	1.87	1.61e+10	7.77e+9	1.54e+9	2.98e+9	3.12e+10	6.31e+9	1.06e+10	3.14e+9
Hf-175	1.19	9.24e+6	5.30e+6	1.04e+6	1.3e+9	1.94e+7		7.20e+6	2.48e+6
Ta-182	0.31	1.28e+4	1.80e+8	1.00e+3	3.09e+7	1.95e+4	5.56e+8	8.02e+3	1.72e+8

FLUKA simulation results (6) Residual dose rates calculated from activities and h*10

Target	Dose Rats, 3 y (mSv/	after EOB h)		
	Measurement	FLUKA	FLUKA/measurement	
Ta#27	2.56	5.50	2.15	
SiCGr#24	2.43	1.46	0.60	
Ta#26	3.63	10.2	2.81	
Nb#4	1.47	4.01	2.73	

Gamma factors from document 814.501 (Data for Operational Radiation Protection)

FLUKA simulation results (7) Contribution from back-scattered neutrons

Added 50 cm steel outside the target assembly to assess contribution to activation from back-scattered neutrons

FLUKA simulation results (8) Neutron and proton currents

Protons

crossing the 'inner Air' and

'steel' boundary

Neutrons crossing the 'inner Air' and 'steel' boundary

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FLUKA simulation results (7) Contribution from back-scattered neutrons

γ -emitting Isotopes		Total activity for Ta#26, 3 years after EOB				
lastana	Τ (γ)	FLUKA				
Isotope	י _{1/2} (א)	No shielding	Steel shielding			
Na-22	2.60	6.05e+7	5.96e+7			
Mn-54	0.86	6.76e+8	6.74e+8			
Co-56	0.21	1.15e+6	1.18e+6			
Co-57	0.74	1.42e+9	1.43e+9			
Co-58	0.19	2.23e+6	2.22e+6			
Co-60	5.28	7.75e+8	7.89e+8			
Zn-65	0.67	5.43e+7	5.48e+7			
Se-75	0.33	8.18e+5	7.86e+5			
Y-88	0.29	1.62e+6	1.63e+6			
Lu-172	0.02	3.15e+10	3.15e+10			
Lu-173	1.37	3.22e+10	3.23e+10			
Hf-172	1.87	3.12e+10	3.12e+10			
Hf-175	1.19	1.94e+7	1.93+7			
Ta-182	0.31	1.95e+4	2.19e+4			

FLUKA SIMULATIONS Stefan Roesler's two-step method

First-step: Production of radio-nuclides at given cooling times for a given irradiation profile in different regions

- Geometry, material, physics, biasing, same as in the standard run
- Took out RADDECAY, IRRPROFI, DCYTIMES under Transport

Define irradiation cycle and cooling times in irrcyc.inp

4.369e14Beam intensity (protons/sec for I = 70 μ A)h600.Irradiation time (600 hours)

Not used, don't change!

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Input settings (1)

- Under Scoring:
 - A single RESNUCLE card for a region in which nuclides are produced
 - A USERWEIG card to activate a call to usrrnc routine RESNUCLE 3. -21. 74. 49. rTgtTa26 1.RNTgt USERWEIG 1.0

Input settings (2)

- Under General:
 - Defined cooling times in units of days (1 week and 3 years)
 USRICALL SDUM=TCOOLD WHAT(1)=7 WHAT(2)=1095
 - Chose which emitters to save (gamma rays and positrons only) USRICALL SDUM=DUMPING WHAT(1)=4
 - Chose regions to save emitters from

 (Six regions: Ta:3, Cu:6, 6061: 7, AIN:8, SST:9, Tgt:11)
 USRICALL SDUM=DUMPREG WHAT(1)=3 WHAT(2)=3 WHAT(3)=6 WHAT(4)=6 WHAT(5)=7 WHAT(6)=7

 USRICALL SDUM=DUMPREG WHAT(1)=8 WHAT(6)=7 WHAT(3)=9 WHAT(2)=8 WHAT(3)=9 WHAT(4)=9 WHAT(5)=11 WHAT(6)=11

Input settings (3)

• Under General:

- Chose biased isotope dumping

Set number of entries in dump file used for adjusting biasing set to 200 (default)

Set maximum fraction of abundance of an isotope within the 200 entries for applying biasing to 20%

USRICALL SDUM=BIASING WHAT(1)=200 WHAT(2)=0.2

- Chose regions for biasing

USRICALL	SDUM=BIASREG	WHAT(1)=3	WHAT(2)=3
		WHAT(3)=6	WHAT(4)=6
		WHAT(5)=7	WHAT(6)=7
USRICALL	SDUM=BIASREG	WHAT(1)=8	WHAT(2)=8
		WHAT(3)=9	WHAT(4)=9
		WHAT(5)=11	WHAT(6)=11

Input settings (4)

- Under General
 - Chose ascii file format for the output (isotope dump) file USRICALL SDUM=OUTPUT WHAT(1)=1
 - Chose to actually write the dump file! USROCALL

Compilation and Running

- Compiled dorerate11.2.f and linked with fluka.o to make a new executable
- Used a modified rfluka script with the following piece added in to link additional files from running directory to the temporary fluka_##### directories

```
MYDATAFILES="irrcyc.inp"
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for i in $MYDATAFILES ; do
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```
${ECHOE} "\nFile ${CURDIR}/${i} exists and it is not a link!"
```

```
In -s -f ${CURDIR}/${i} ${i}
```

else

```
In -s -f ${FTOP}/${i} ${i}
```

fi

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done
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for i in \
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\$DATAFILES \$MYDATAFILES \$neuxsc.bin \$XNLOANFIL xnloan.dat

Output file

Can not concatenate output files, one output file per run.

Need to run multiple runs.

Name: <run>-001_isodump.out

Format:

4 2

- tc 1 6.0480000E+05
- tc 2 9.4608000E+07
- #1 1 73 178 2 3 -4.27468E-01 -9.50193E-02 -9.69216E+00 1.00000E+00 9.29319E-08
- #1 -1 73 178 2 11 -4.83913E-01 -2.88948E-01 -2.38690E+00 1.00000E+00
- #1 1 73 176 1 11 1.06143E-01 -5.15467E-01 -1.76789E+00 1.00000E+00 2.79992E+08
- #1 1 73 177 1 11 -4.31354E-02 3.19773E-01 -2.25109E+00 1.00000E+00 6.36827E+13
- #2 1 74 176 11 6.31583E-01 4.97915E-01 -7.46459E-01 1.00000E+00
 - $2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$
 - 1 73 176 1 0.40521E+09 74 176 1 0.29460E-05

FLUKA SIMULATIONS Stefan Roesler's two-step method

Second Step: Assessment of shielding for dose rates calculated from transport of the β^+ , β^- , γ emitted from radio-nuclides of the first-step

- Need a different input file for each cooling time since the shielding geometry is different for each:
 - 1 week cooling time: Shielding to represent the Storage Vault (25 cm thick steel box)
 - 3 year cooling time: Shielding to represent the F308 transport flask (5 cm lead box encased in 0.8 cm steel)

General preparation

For each cooling time and shielding scenario:

- Set up 10 directories (A001 ... J001)
- Make symbolic links to the data files the isodump.out files generated from first step: <run>-<A-J>001_isodump.out to isodump.out in each dir
- Add the shielding structure to the geometry in the input file

Wrote a script to automate the process!

General preparation (2)

 Need weight information from standard output file of 1st step, (<run>-<A-J>001.out) as input parameters for 2nd step:

Parameters for USRICALL: Weights for the two cooling times

- all regions

9.304E-02 2.710E-02 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00

- regions no. 3

4.118E-02 1.270E-02 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00

- regions no. 6

8.405E-04 2.840E-04 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00

- regions no. 7

1.040E-04 3.200E-05 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 - regions no. 8

1.650E-05 9.000E-06 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00

- regions no. 9

1.079E-03 1.022E-03 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 - regions no. 11

4.981E-02 1.306E-02 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00 0.000E+00

Input settings (1)

• Under General:

- Weight factors for the two cooling times USERICALL SDUM=WCOOL WHAT(1)=9.304E-02 WHAT(2)=2.710E-02
- Set format of the input isodump.out file to ascii
 USRICALL SDUM=OUTPUT WHAT(1)=1
- Regions to consider for tracking of emitted radiation (Six regions: Ta:3, Cu:6, 6061: 7, AlN:8, SST:9, Tgt:11) USRICALL SDUM=SAMPREG WHAT(1)=3 WHAT(2)=3 WHAT(3)=6 WHAT(4)=6 WHAT(5)=7 WHAT(6)=7
- Read in isodump.out as input source file USROCALL

Input settings (2)

- Under Source:
 - Set isotopes for which cooling time to consider for tracking and which radio-nuclides to consider
 Ex: 1st cooling time and gamma ray and positron emitters only SOURCE WHAT(1)=4 WHAT(2)=4

Input settings (3)

• Under Scoring:

- Use USRBIN to look at spacial distribution of dose rate USRBIN 10. DosE-EQ -94. 120 120. 55.DEDist USRBIN -120. -120. -55. 120. 55.&
- Use USRBIN to look at the dose rate in the detector (reg binning)
 USRBIN 10. DosE-EQ -94. rDet DEDistReg
 USRBIN rDet 1. &
- Use USRTRACK to look at the total dose rate in the detector
 USRTRACK -1. DOSE-EQ -40. rDet 659734.46 100.DEinDet
 USRTRACK .010010 1E-5 & &

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- Used a modified rfluka script with the following piece added in to link additional files from running directory to the temporary fluka_##### directories

MYDATAFILES="glines.dat plines.dat eiclines38.dat ICRP38.BET irrcyc.inp isodump.out" for i in \$MYDATAFILES ; do

```
if [ -r ${CURDIR}/${i} ]; then
    ${ECHOE} "\nFile ${CURDIR}/${i} exists and it is not a link!"
    In -s -f ${CURDIR}/${i} ${i}
else
    In -s -f ${FTOP}/${i} ${i}
```

fi

done

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for i in \

\$DATAFILES \$MYDATAFILES \$neuxsc.bin \$XNLOANFIL xnloan.dat

Results based on:

- First Step:

1M primaries, 10 independent runs, each producing an isodump file

- Second step:

10 runs with 20M primaries Each run using isodump.out file of one of the 10 runs in the first step

For proton beam energy of 115.7 MeV, not 480 MeV (an unintended mistake from setting beam momentum of 480 MeV)

FLUKA SIMULATIONS Stefan Roesler's two-step method – Results (1)

Residual rate distribution for Ta#26

1 week after EOB

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3 years after EOB

5 cm lead encased in 0.8 cm steel

FLUKA SIMULATIONS Stefan Roesler's two-step method – Results (2)

Target	Residual dose rate @ 1m (µSv/h)					
	Spent Target Storage Vault 1 week after EOB	Target Transfer Flask 3 years after EOB				
Ta#27	2.79 +/- 8.3 %	15.2 +/- 1.7 %				
SiCGr#24	0.78 +/- 13.3 %	14.84 +/- 0.49 %				
Ta#26	4.08 +/- 14.3 %	22.86 +/- 0.74 %				
SiCGr#25	1.51 +/- 9.6 %	27.47 +/- 0.99 %				
Nb#4	4.95 +/- 5.4 %	24.41 +/- 0.97 %				
Nb#5	7.1 +/- 11.0 %	22.65 +/- 0.94 %				

* Results need to be repeated with the correct beam energy of 480 MeV

How does Stefan's two-step method compare with the standard run?

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- Check using no shielding (i.e. same geometry in the second step as in the first)
- FLUKA version where prompt material can be set to vacuum and decay to shielding material?
 - Can this serve our needs to assess shielding for spent target material at different cooling times using the standard FLUKA run? (geometry constrains)
- Can the two-step method become integrated into the current version of FLUKA?

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