

A  $^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}/^{242}\text{Pu}/^{244}\text{Pu}$  spike  
for Isotopic and Isotope Dilution Analysis  
by Mass Spectrometry with Internal Calibration

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Abstract

The Khlopin Radium Institute prepared on behalf of the IAEA a synthetic mixture of  $^{233}\text{U}$ ,  $^{236}\text{U}$ ,  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  and  $^{244}\text{Pu}$  isotopes. The isotopic composition and elemental concentration of uranium and plutonium were certified on the basis of analyses done by four laboratories of the IAEA Network, using mass spectrometry with internal standardization. The certified values for  $^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$  ratio and the  $^{236}\text{U}$  chemical concentration have a coefficient of variation of 0.05%. The latter is fixed by the uncertainty in the  $^{235}\text{U}/^{238}\text{U}$  ratio of NBS500 used as internal standard. The coefficients of variation of the  $^{244}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  ratio and the  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  chemical concentration are respectively 0.10% and 0.16% and limited by the uncertainty in the  $^{240}\text{Pu}/^{239}\text{Pu}$  ratio of NBS947.

This four isotope mixture was used as an internal standard as well as a spike, to analyze 30 batches of LWR spent fuel solutions. The repeatability of the mass spectrometric measurements have a coefficient of variation of 0.025% for the uranium concentration, and of 0.039% for the plutonium concentration. The spiking and treatment errors had a coefficient of variation of 0.048%.

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## 1. Introduction

The precision and accuracy of isotopic and isotope dilution analyses of uranium and plutonium can be improved by a factor 3-10 by the use of internal standards (1, 2). The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), analyzes in this way since 1985 a good fraction of the samples taken by its safeguards inspectors at spent fuel reprocessing plants for the verification of the accountability of the input solutions.

The batch of spike now in use is referenced SAL-9914 /QS87 and was prepared by the Khlopin Radium Institute (RI) (3). It is certified on the basis of analyses performed by four laboratories of the IAEA Network.

This report presents the results of the certification measurements and gives an example of the precision achieved in the isotope dilution analyses of Safeguards inspection samples.

## 2. Preparation of the SAL-9914 (QS 87) Spike

The QS 87 spike was prepared at KRI as follows.

A mixture of uranium isotopes was obtained by mixing known quantities of the Soviet Certified Reference Material FCO 3213-85 containing 97.20% enriched  $^{233}\text{U}$  and a 99.97% enriched  $^{236}\text{U}$  also of Soviet origin. It was verified by alpha spectrometry that this mixture was free from plutonium ( $\text{Pu}/\text{U} \ll 10^{-6}$ )

A solution of plutonium isotope was prepared separately by dissolving a unit of the Certified Reference Material NBS-996 containing 97.87% enriched  $^{244}\text{Pu}$  with a solution of the Working Reference Material CO-009-87 of RI, prepared from 94.65% enriched  $^{242}\text{Pu}$ . A redox cycle was carried out with hydrazine and nitric acid before purification by anion exchange chromatography with a VP-1 resin, and a 95% recovery yield. The U/Pu mass ratio in the purified solution was measured by laser fluorimetry and found to be equal to  $1.9 \times 10^{-5}$ .

Laboratory ( $i = \text{RI, SAL, CENS, BAM}$ )  
Sample ( $j = 1, 10, 20$ )

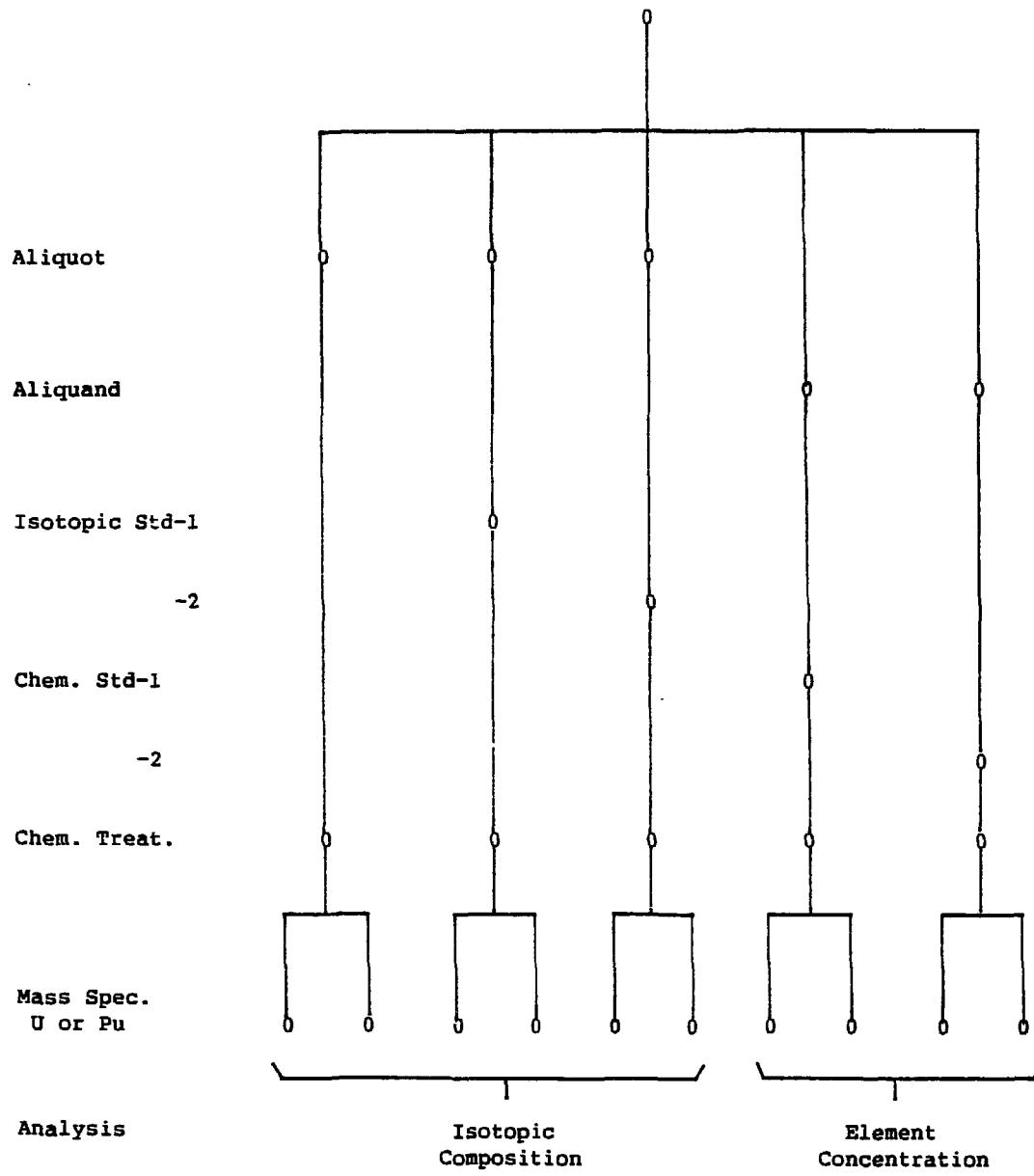


Figure 1: Scheme of analysis of the characterization of QS 87

Samples of the uranium and plutonium mixtures were analyzed at three IAEA Network Laboratories. The results being in good agreement, RI weighed the two feed solutions, mixed them together, and added an aliquand of nitric acid to obtain 2 liters of a solution of the four isotopes in 7 M HNO<sub>3</sub>.

The recorded weights and the isotope dilution mass spectrometric analyses of the uranium and plutonium feed mixtures by RI were used to calculate the expected content of the final solution (<sup>236</sup>U = 504.49 /ug/g, <sup>242</sup>Pu = 4.5281 /ug/g).

The stock solution was finally divided into 20 aliquots of about 100 ml which were sealed into glass ampoules.

Details of the preparation are described in Annex 3 (3).

### 3. Characterization Measurements

The certification of the QS 87 spike is based on isotopic and isotope dilution analyses of the final mixture of four isotopes at four laboratories: the Radium Institute in Leningrad (RI), the Centre d'Etudes Nucléaires de Saclay (CENS), the Bundesanstalt fuer Materialpruefung (BAM) in Berlin, and the Safeguards Analytical Laboratory of the IAEA (SAL). Each laboratory received three samples taken at the time of the filling of the first, tenth and twentieth ampoule.

The mass spectrometric measurements were all done with internal standard normalization using a Varian TH5 at RI, a VG354 at CENS, a multidetector MAT-261 at BAM and SAL.

Each laboratory analyzed the isotopic composition of the uranium and plutonium in two (or three) samples according to a scheme similar to the one shown on Figure 1. One or two subsamples of each analyzed sample was spiked with a solution of NBS-U-500 or NBS-Pu-947 isotopic reference material prepared at the laboratory. RI performed in addition a set of uranium isotopic analyses using the soviet isotopic standard FCO-2702-83 (<sup>235</sup>U/<sup>238</sup>U=1) and FCO-2704-83 (<sup>235</sup>U/<sup>238</sup>U=10).

Each laboratory determined the concentration of the uranium and plutonium in three (or two) samples according to the scheme shown on Figure 1. One (or two) aliquand(s) of each analyzed sample was (were) spiked with an aliquand of a chemical standard solution prepared at the laboratory. The standard solutions for the isotope dilution assay of uranium were prepared from NBS 960 (RI, BAM, SAL) or MUL (CENS) certified reference materials. Standard solutions of NBS-949 (RI, SAL) and MPL/EC 201 (CENS, BAM) were used as spikes for the isotope dilution assay of plutonium. RI and BAM used separate uranium and plutonium chemical standard solutions as spikes. SAL and CENS used mixed uranium and plutonium spikes.

Table 1: Results of Isotopic Analysis;  
Isotope Ratios valid for 1989-06-01 (x100)

LAB	SAMPLE	UNSPIKED		STD	SPIKED		233/236 or 238/242	234/236 or 239/242	235/236 or 240/242	238/236 or 241/242	244/242
		ALIQ	FIL		ALIQ	FIL					
SAL	01	1	1	1	1	1	101.687	2.7750	.09747	.07826	
			2		2		101.682	2.7748	.09722	.07998	
LEN	00	1	1	2	1	1	101.689	2.7755	.09681	.07866	
		1	1	3	1	1	101.789	2.7825	.09602	.07817	
LEN	01	1	1	1	1	1	101.769	2.7798	.09690		
			1		2		101.765	2.7785	.09668		
SAC	10	1	1	1	1	1	101.751	2.7809	.09682	.07993	
			1		2		101.759	2.7741	.09624	.07931	
SAC	01	1	1	1	1	1	101.727	2.7809	.10010	.08730	
			1	2	1	1	101.767	2.7816	.10010	.08730	
BAM	20	1	1	1	1	1	101.722	2.7734	.09810	.07830	
			1	2	1	1	101.799	2.7748	.09810	.07830	
BAM	01	1	1	1	1	1	101.699	2.7732	.09138	.08634	
			2		2		101.767	2.7762	.09555	.06244	
BAM	10	1	1	1	1	1	101.786	2.7753	.09262	.08487	
			2		2		101.746	2.7754	.09314	.07094	
BAM	20	1	1	1	1	1	101.741	2.7735	.09152	.08586	
			2		2		101.762	2.7757	.09283	.06916	
SAL	01	1	1	1	1	1	0.10096	.04922	4.5197	.1763	39.037
			2		2		0.10105	.04979	4.5206	.1759	39.039
LEN	20	1	1	1	1	1	0.10327	.05091	4.5175	.1693	39.040
			2		2		0.10314	.04932	4.5194	.1746	39.057
Len	01	1	1	1	1	1	0.10243		4.5282	.1764	39.034
	1^	1	1	1	1	2	0.10259		4.5220	.1713	39.015
SAC	01	1	1	1	1	1	0.10235	.06384	4.5172	.1754	39.026
			1		2		0.10269	.06400	4.5171	.1761	39.006
SAC	20	1	1	1	1	1	0.09997	.05120	4.5156	.1726	39.044
			1	2	1	1	0.09978	.05130	4.5188	.1727	39.017
BAM	01	1	1	1	1	1	0.09968	.05140	4.5299	.1758	39.002
			1	2	1	1	0.09997	.05130	4.5243	.1757	39.043
BAM	10	1	1	1	1	1	0.10143	.06098	4.5151	.1776	39.063
			2		2			.06128	4.5141	.1800	39.066
BAM	20	1	1	1	1	1		.06622	4.5205	.1805	39.030
			2		2			.06492	4.5193	.1784	39.019
BAM	01	1	1	1	1	1		.05467	4.5179	.1761	39.030
			2		2			.05588	4.5194	.1771	39.019

Table 2: Results of Elemental Assay  
Concentrations valid for 1988-06-01

LAB	SAMPLE	STANDARD	ALIQ	FIL	$^{236}\text{U}$ in/ug/g	$^{242}\text{Pu}$ in/ug/g
SAL	01	NBS 960/949 (1)	1	1	503.87	4.5329
				2	504.08	4.5324
	10	NBS 960/949 (2)	1	1	505.34	4.5304
				2	505.27	4.5298
	20	NBS 960/949 (1)	1	1	504.84	4.5392
			2	1	504.53	4.5388
	20	NBS 960/949 (1)	1	2	504.39	4.5395
				2	504.72	4.5400
	20	NBS 960/949 (2)	1	1	505.15	4.5411
				2	505.21	4.5442
LEN	01	NBS 960 (1)	1	1	504.32	
				2	504.43	
	10	NBS 949 (1)	1	1		4.5369
				2		4.5399
	20	NBS 960 (2)	1	1	504.37	
				2	504.80	
	20	NBS 949 (2)	1	1		4.5379
				2		4.5370
	20	NBS 960 (3)	1	1	504.65	
				2	504.42	
SAC	01	MUL/MP1 (1)	1	1	503.74	4.5264
				2	503.71	4.5281
	10	MUL/MP1 (1)	1	1	503.89	4.5302
				2	503.94	4.5279
	01	NBS 960 (1)	1	1	504.70	
				2	504.55	
	10	MP1/EC201 (1)	1	1		4.5442
				2		4.5442
	20	NBS 960 (1)	1	1	504.59	
				2	504.65	
BAM	01	MP1/EC201 (1)	1	1		4.5449
				2		4.5446
	20	NBS 960 (1)	1	1	504.79	
				2	504.72	
	20	MP1/EC201 (1)	1	1		4.5376
				2		4.5387

#### 4. Evaluation of the Characterization Measurements

All results except the results of CENS were normalized by SAL. Results of isotopic analyses were derived by pairing measurements of unspiked and spiked aliquots obtained by the same laboratory. The normalized results of isotopic analyses are given in Table 1. The best estimate of the isotopic composition was derived from weighted laboratory means (Annex 6). SAL used this best estimate to normalize all isotope ratio measurements obtained on aliquands spiked with chemical standard solutions, except the results of CENS which were normalized by CENS against the mean of their own isotopic analyses. The normalized results of isotope dilution assays are given in Table 2.

An analysis of variance was done on the results assuming that there were subject to three independent sources of errors and that these errors were additive (Annex 6):

$$x_{ijk} = u + A_i + B_j(i) + C_k(ij) \quad (1)$$

$x_{ijk}$  is the result of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  measurement on the  $j^{\text{th}}$  sample at lab i

$u$  is the true value of the measurement

$A_i$  is the systematic error of laboratory i

$B_j(i)$  is the error for sample j

$C_k(ij)$  is the error for measurement and treatment k on sample j at lab i

We assume that  $A_i$ ,  $B_j(i)$  and  $C_k(ij)$  have zero means and that their distribution may be characterized by their coefficient of variation, SA, SB and SC respectively (Table 3) (see Annex 6)

The repeatability of the measurements, SC is of the order of 0.03% for the major isotope ratios  $^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$ ,  $^{244}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  and for the chemical concentrations of the  $^{236}\text{U}$  and  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  isotopes. The sample error, SB, is of the same magnitude for  $^{244}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$ ; it goes up to 0.08% and 0.14% for the U and Pu assays respectively; no sample error was detected for  $^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$ . The coefficients of variation of the laboratory systematic errors, SA, is about 0.04% for  $^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$ , 0.05% for the  $^{236}\text{U}$  concentration and 0.08% for  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  concentration; no laboratory effect can be detected for the  $^{244}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  ratio.

These estimates were combined as follows to calculate the relative standard error,  $S_i$ , of the mean of each laboratory, i:

$$S_i^2 = SA^2 + SB^2 (\sum_j N_{ij}^2 / N_i^2) + SC^2 / N_i \quad (1)$$

where  $N_i$  is the total number of measurements done by laboratory i., and  $N_{ij}$  the number of measurements done by the same laboratory on sample j.

Weighted averages,  $X_i$ , of the laboratory means,  $X_i$ , were selected as best estimates for the composition of the QS 87 spike

$$X_i = (\sum_i w_i X_i) / (\sum_i w_i) \quad (2)$$

where  $w_i = 1/S_i^2$

These averages and their relative standard errors,  $S_i = 1/(\sum_i w_i)^{1/2}$  are given in Table 4.

The calibration errors SCAL listed in the Table 4 are estimates calculated on the assumption that all results were normalized against the same reference material. For the uranium isotope ratios, the calibration errors are derived from the coefficient of variation expressing the uncertainty in the certified  $^{235}/^{238}$  ratio of NBS-U-500. For plutonium isotopes, the basis is the uncertainty in the  $^{240}/^{239}$  ratio of NBS-Pu-947. For the determination of U (or Pu) chemical concentration, the total uncertainty in the  $^{233}/^{236}$  (or  $^{244}/^{242}$ ) ratio assigned to QS 87 was combined with the uncertainty on the element content in the chemical reference material NBS960 or (NBS949) used for the isotope dilution analyses. Errors in the preparation of standard solutions are included in the estimate of the between laboratory effects, SA.

The total error, ST, is a simple combination of the standard error of the weighted average, S, with the calibration error, SCAL:

$$ST^2 = S^2 + SCAL^2 \quad (3)$$

The Satterthwaites' approximation (4) was used to calculate the degrees of freedom of  $S_i$ , S and ST, assuming 20 degrees of freedom for the common calibration errors, SCAL. The calculated values, rounded to the next lower integers, were used to select the Student factor and to calculate the 95% confidence limits, also given in Table 4.

The statistical model used in this evaluation was derived by J. Jaech and is described in Annex 6.

A certificate of analysis is given in Annex 4.

Table 3: Coefficients of Variation of the Error Components (in%)

MEAS.	MEASUR. + TREAT. ERROR SC	SAMPLE . ERROR SB	LAB. EROR SA
233/236	0.028 (11)	(a)	0.035 (4)
234/236	0.10 (11)	(a)	0.094 (4)
235/236	1.2 (11)	(a)	2.7 (4)
238/236	9.8	(a)	3.7 (4)
238/242	0.20 (6)	0.88 (3)	1.2 (3)
239/242	1.1 (8)	6.4 (4)	10.7 (3)
240/242	0.049 (9)	0.091 (5)	(a)
241/242	1.1 (9)	0.80 (5)	0.97 (3)
244/242	0.037 (9)	0.029 (5)	(a)
236U Concentration	0.028 (14)	0.079 (10)	0.048 (3)
242Pu Concentration	0.024 (14)	0.14 (10)	0.084 (3)

(a) Negative variance estimate

( ) Number of degrees of freedom in parenthesis

Table 4: Best Estimates and Confidence Limits  
of the Composition of the QS 87 Spike

(Date of validity: 1989-06-01)

Measurement	Mean	S std. err. cv [%] df	SCAL cal.err. cv [%] df	ST tot. err. cv [%] df	c.l.95% c.l._rel df
U-236 [mcg/c]*	504.42	0.171205 0.034 5.7	0.17 0.034 20.0	0.24 0.048 17.5	0.51 0.10
Pu-242 [mcg/g]*	4.536	.0026829 0.059 4.1	0.0068 0.15 20.0	.0073 0.16 23.9	.015 0.33
233/236	1.0174	1.7E-04 0.017 5.4	5.1E-04 0.050 20.0	5.4E-04 0.053 23.7	0.0011 0.11
234/236	.027775	1.3E-05 0.047 6.6	9.0E-06 0.032 20.0	1.6E-05 0.057 13.3	3.4E-05 0.12
235/236	.000963	1.2E-05 1.22 4.4	1.6E-07 0.017 20.0	1.2E-05 1.22 4.4	3.3E-05 3.4
238/236	.000792	2.3E-05 2.90 13.7	2.6E-07 0.033 20.0	2.3E-05 2.90 13.7	5.0E-05 6.3
238/242	.001014	6.4E-06 0.63 5.3	2.0E-06 0.20 20.0	6.7E-06 0.66 6.3	1.6E-05 1.61
239/242	.000562	3.3E-05 5.9 4.2	1.0E-06 0.18 20.0	3.3E-05 5.89 4.2	9.2E-05 16.
240/242	.045198	1.5E-05 0.033 6.5	4.5E-05 0.10 20.0	4.7E-05 0.10 23.7	9.8E-05 0.22
241/242	.001754	1.1E-05 0.62 7.0	1.0E-06 0.057 20.0	1.1E-05 0.62 7.1	2.6E-05 1.47
244/242	0.39033	5.1E-05 0.013 11.9	3.9E-04 0.10 20.0	3.9E-04 0.10 20.7	8.2E-04 0.21

\* the unit [mcg/g] means: microgram of isotope per gram of spike solution  
(with solution weight not corrected for air buoyancy, i.e. apparent weight as measured in air).

## 5. Analyses of Spent Fuel Solutions

The performance attainable in routine isotope dilution analyses using the QS 87 spike may be illustrated by the results obtained on a set of 30 spent fuel solutions received in the course of an inspection campaign (Annex 5)

Each solution was analyzed by taking duplicate samples, spiking them with QS 87, performing a redox cycle with ferrous sulfate and sodium nitrite, separating the plutonium and uranium by solvent extraction chromatography with TOPO (5), and measuring the isotope ratios on a MAT-261 spectrometer equipped with 9 collectors.

The repeatability of the mass spectrometric measurements had a mean coefficient of variation of 0.025% for uranium; and of 0.039% for plutonium; the coefficient of variation of the spiking and treatment errors was 0.048%.

## 6. Conclusion

The major isotope ratios of the QS 87 have been certified with relative standard deviations of 0.017% (233/236) and 0.013% (244/242), by normalization against internal standards.

A measurable between laboratory effect was observed in the measurements of the 233/236 ratio, probably due to the difficulty to measure the relative cup sensitivities of multidetector spectrometers with an accuracy of 0.01 - 0.02% (6). To improve further the precision of the certification it would be necessary also to lower the fluctuations of the blanks at masses 233, 235, 236, 238, 239, 240, 242 and 244. Normalization of the 244/242 ratio against a 238/240 or a 239/241 internal standard would be advantageous too.

To decrease the relative standard error of the  $^{232}\text{U}$  assay (now 0.028%) and of the  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  assay (now 0.024%) one should reduce the subsampling and treatment errors (about 0.10% now); small errors in the preparation of the chemical standard solutions are probably responsible for between laboratory effects of 0.048% and 0.084% observed in the results of uranium and plutonium assays, respectively.

However the major sources of uncertainty in the certified values are the uncertainty in the 235/238 ratio of NBS-U500 and 240/239 ratio of NBS-Pu-947. In future certifications, it would be desirable to use reference materials certified with a coefficient of variation of about 0.01% as internal standards.

Four-isotope tracers such as the QS-87 spike are also excellent internal standards for the normalization of the 235/238 and 240/239 ratio measurements when performing isotopic dilution assays with  $^{235}\text{U}/^{239}\text{Pu}$  mixed spikes.

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ANNEX 1

Results of the isotopic analysis  
of U and Pu in QS 87

## SAS certification QS87 - Isotopia composition

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OBS	EL CLASSID	AMPOULE	SAMID	MIXID	SANDAT	MINDAT	ICF	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5
1	U SAL/NBS500	A1	9142-04-103	9142-04-111	880218	880218	-0.07925	1.01687	0.0277500	0.0009747	0.00078265	WT
2	U SAL/NBS500	A1	9142-04-104	9142-04-112	880218	880218	-0.10130	1.01682	0.0277478	0.0009722	0.00079983	
3	U SAL/NBS500	A20	9142-06-103	9142-06-111	880219	880222	-0.01106	1.01689	0.0277553	0.0009681	0.00078662	
4	U SAL/NBS500	A20	9142-06-104	9142-06-112	880219	880222	-0.11854	1.01648	0.0277608	0.0009615	0.00079825	5.497
5	U BAM/NBS500	A401	9628-01-101	9628-01-121	880114	880114	-0.02394	1.01699	0.0277317	0.0009138	0.00086341	1.397
6	U BAM/NBS500	A401	9628-01-102	9628-01-122	880208	880208	-0.04718	1.01767	0.0277622	0.0009555	0.00062441	2.755
7	U BAM/NBS500	A410	9628-02-101	9628-02-121	880115	880121	0.01960	1.01786	0.0277529	0.0009262	0.00084867	2.755
8	U BAM/NBS500	A410	9628-02-102	9628-02-122	880209	880209	0.04356	1.01746	0.0277542	0.0009314	0.00070938	
9	U BAM/NBS500	A420	9628-03-101	9628-03-121	880112	880112	-0.02139	1.01741	0.0277349	0.0009152	0.00085863	
10	U BAM/NBS500	A420	9628-03-102	9628-03-122	880209	880209	0.02801	1.01762	0.0277566	0.0009283	0.00069161	
11	U SAC/NBS500/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-101	9630-03-111	880215	880215	-0.01960	1.01727	0.0278090	0.001010	0.00087300	
12	U SAC/NBS500/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-101	9630-03-121	880215	880215	-0.02169	1.01767	0.0278160	0.0010010	0.00087300	
13	U SAC/NBS500/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-101	9630-03-131	880215	880215	-0.02172	1.01722	0.0277340	0.0009810	0.00078300	
14	U SAC/NBS500/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-101	9630-03-141	880215	880215	-0.00478	1.01799	0.0277480	0.0009810	0.00078300	
15	U LEN/NBS500	A101	9629-01-101	9629-01-111	880115	880115	-0.00010	1.01769	0.0277980	0.0009690		
16	U LEN/NBS500	A101	9629-01-102	9629-01-112	880115	880115	-0.12650	1.01765	0.0277855	0.0009669		
17	U LEN/NBS500	A110	9629-02-201	9629-02-211	880115	880115	-0.07997	1.01751	0.0278095	0.0009682	0.00079306	
18	U LEN/NBS500	A110	9629-02-202	9629-02-212	880115	880115	-0.06696	1.01759	0.0277408	0.0009624	0.00079306	
19	U LEN/RCO	QS87	9629-06-101	9629-06-211	880115	880115	0.01091	1.01756	0.0278191	0.0009601	0.00078163	
20	U LEN/RCO	QS87	9629-06-101	9629-06-311	880115	880115	0.02145	1.01789	0.0278249	0.0009602	0.00078166	
21	Pu SAL/NBS947	A1	9142-04-101	9142-04-121	880218	880218	0.03139	0.00101	0.0004922	0.0451984	0.00178776	0.390375
22	Pu SAL/NBS947	A1	9142-04-102	9142-04-122	880218	880218	-0.06657	0.00101	0.0004979	0.0451767	0.00178302	0.390391
23	Pu SAL/NBS947	A20	9142-06-101	9142-06-121	880222	880222	-0.12335	0.00103	0.0005091	0.0451767	0.00171615	0.390394
24	Pu SAL/NBS947	A20	9142-06-102	9142-06-122	880219	880222	0.04527	0.00103	0.0004932	0.0451948	0.00176928	0.390567
25	Pu BAM/NBS947	A401	9628-01-103	9628-01-131	880128	880129	-0.00851	0.00102	0.0006098	0.0451523	0.00180585	0.390630
26	Pu BAM/NBS947	A401	9628-01-104	9628-01-132	880205	880205	0.04231	-	0.0006128	0.0451422	0.00182777	0.390652
27	Pu BAM/NBS947	A410	9628-02-103	9628-02-131	880127	880127	-0.06054	-	0.0006622	0.0452068	0.00183511	0.390305
28	Pu BAM/NBS947	A410	9628-02-104	9628-02-132	880206	880206	-0.06102	-	0.0006492	0.0451941	0.00181211	0.390193
29	Pu BAM/NBS947	A420	9628-03-103	9628-03-131	880201	880129	0.04222	-	0.0005467	0.0451801	0.00178976	0.390299
30	Pu BAM/NBS947	A420	9628-03-104	9628-03-132	880201	880129	0.04762	-	0.0005588	0.0451960	0.00179986	0.390194
31	Pu LEN/NBS947	A101	9629-01-103	9629-01-113	871015	871015	-0.05830	0.00103	-	0.0452851	0.00181894	0.390345
32	Pu LEN/NBS947	A101	9629-01-104	9629-01-114	871015	871015	-0.02278	0.00103	-	0.0452234	0.00176560	0.390256
33	Pu LEN/NBS947	A110	9629-02-203	9629-02-213	871015	871015	-0.08165	0.00103	0.0006384	0.0451751	0.00180852	0.390061
34	Pu LEN/NBS947	A110	9629-02-204	9629-02-214	871015	871015	-0.00012	0.00103	0.0006400	0.0451739	0.00181500	0.390061
35	Pu SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A301	9630-01-102	9630-01-211	860101	860101	-0.05375	0.00102	0.0005120	0.0451670	0.00194000	0.390441
36	Pu SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A301	9630-01-102	9630-01-221	860101	860101	-0.02816	0.00102	0.0005130	0.0451990	0.00194100	0.390165
37	Pu SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-102	9630-03-211	860101	860101	-0.06967	0.00102	0.0005140	0.0453100	0.00197600	0.390016
38	Pu SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-102	9630-03-221	860101	860101	-0.14523	0.00102	0.0005130	0.0452540	0.00197400	0.390423

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## certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

OBS CLASSID	AMPOULE	SAMID	MIXID	SAMDAT	MIXDAT	ICF	REFDAT	R82	R92	R02	R12	R42
1 BAM/NBS947	A401	9628-01-103	9628-01-131	880128	880129	-0.00851	880601	1.01426	0.609834	45.1507	1.77636	390.630
2 BAM/NBS947	A401	9628-01-104	9628-01-132	880205	880205	0.04231	880601	.	0.612775	45.1407	1.79971	390.663
3 BAM/NBS947	A410	9628-02-103	9628-02-131	880127	880127	0.06064	880601	.	0.662194	45.2052	1.80479	390.305
P2 4 BAM/NBS947	A410	9628-02-104	9628-02-132	880202	880206	0.06102	880601	.	0.649184	45.1926	1.78405	390.194
2 5 BAM/NBS947	A420	9628-03-103	9628-03-131	880201	880129	0.04222	880601	.	0.546685	45.1786	1.76100	390.300
6 BAM/NBS947	A420	9628-03-104	9628-03-132	880201	880129	0.04762	880601	.	0.558795	45.1944	1.77094	390.194
7 LEN/NBS947	A101	9629-01-103	9629-01-113	871015	871015	-0.05830	880601	1.02448	.	45.2822	1.76445	390.345
8 LEN/NBS947	A101	9629-01-104	9629-01-114	871015	871015	-0.02278	880601	1.02594	.	45.2204	1.71271	390.148
9 LEN/NBS947	A110	9629-02-203	9629-02-213	871015	871015	-0.08165	880601	1.02352	0.638419	45.1722	1.75434	390.257
10 LEN/NBS947	A110	9629-02-204	9629-02-214	871015	871015	-0.00012	880601	1.02687	0.639989	45.1709	1.76063	390.061
11 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A301	9630-01-102	9630-01-211	860101	860101	-0.05375	880601	0.99974	0.511967	45.1557	1.72642	390.443
12 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A301	9630-01-102	9630-01-221	860101	860101	-0.02816	880601	0.99778	0.512967	45.1877	1.72731	390.167
13 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-102	9630-03-211	860101	860101	-0.06967	880601	0.99680	0.513967	45.2986	1.75846	390.018
14 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	A320	9630-03-102	9630-03-221	860101	860101	-0.14523	880601	0.99974	0.512967	45.2427	1.75668	390.425
15 SAL/NBS947	A1	9142-04-101	9142-04-121	880218	880218	0.03139	880601	1.00957	0.492196	45.1971	1.76334	390.375
16 SAL/NBS947	A1	9142-04-102	9142-04-122	880218	880218	0.06657	880601	1.01052	0.497916	45.2065	1.75867	390.392
17 SAL/NBS947	A20	9142-06-101	9142-06-121	880219	880222	0.12335	880601	1.03271	0.509086	45.1754	1.69327	390.395
18 SAL/NBS947	A20	9142-06-102	9142-06-122	880219	880222	0.04527	880601	1.03142	0.493166	45.1935	1.74569	390.567

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certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
CLASSID	4	BAM/NBS947 LEN/NBS947 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL SAL/NBS947
AMPOULE	7	A1 A101 A110 A20 A301 A320 A401

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET = 18

NOTE: ALL DEPENDENT VARIABLES ARE CONSISTENT WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF MISSING VALUES. HOWEVER, ONLY 13 OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET CAN BE USED IN THIS ANALYSIS.

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**certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM**

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## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

????NDENT VARIABLE: Q52

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SOURCE	DF	TYPE I SS	TYPE I MS	EXPECTED MEAN SQUARE
CLASSID	3	0.00165057	0.00055019	VAR(ERROR) + 1.69230769 VAR(AMPOULE) + 3.07692308 VAR(CLASSID)
AMPOULE	3	0.00048518	0.00016173	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	6	0.00001420	0.00000237	VAR(ERROR)
CORRECTED TOTAL	12	0.00214996		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(CLASSID)	0.00013422
VAR(AMPOULE)	0.00007968
VAR(ERROR)	0.00000237

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VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

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CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
CLASSID	4	BAM/NBS947 LEN/NBS947 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL SAL/NBS947
AMPOULE	8	A1 A110 A20 A301 A320 A401 A410 A420

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET = 18

NOTE: ALL DEPENDENT VARIABLES ARE CONSISTENT WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF MISSING VALUES. HOWEVER, ONLY 16 OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET CAN BE USED IN THIS ANALYSIS.

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isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

SOURCE	DF	TYPE I SS	TYPE I MS	EXPECTED MEAN SQUARE
CLASSID	3	0.04974264	0.01658088	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE) + 3.833333333 VAR(CLASSID)
AMPOULE	4	0.01070339	0.00267585	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	8	0.00030758	0.00003845	VAR(ERROR)
CORRECTED TOTAL	15	0.06075361		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(CLASSID)	0.00362740
VAR(AMPOULE)	0.00131870
VAR(ERROR)	0.00003845

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VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

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CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
CLASSID	4	BAM/NBS947 LEN/NBS947 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL SAL/NBS947
AMPOULE	9	A1 A101 A110 A20 A301 A320 A401 A410 A420

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET = 18

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**certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM**

isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

????NDENT VARIABLE: R02

SOURCE	DF	TYPE I SS	TYPE I MS	EXPECTED MEAN SQUARE
CLASSID	3	0.00560308	0.00186769	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE) + 4.4444444 VAR(CLASSID)
AMPOULE	5	0.01955604	0.00391121	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	9	0.00444856	0.00049428	VAR(ERROR)
CORRECTED TOTAL	17	0.02960768		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(CLASSID)	-0.00045979
VAR(AMPOULE)	0.00170846
VAR(ERROR)	0.00049428

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isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
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CLASSID	4	BAM/NBS947 LEN/NBS947 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL SAL/NBS947
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AMPOULE	9	A1 A101 A110 A20 A301 A320 A401 A410 A420
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NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET = 18

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**certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM**

isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

????NDENT VARIABLE: R12

SOURCE	DF	TYPE I SS	TYPE I MS	EXPECTED MEAN SQUARE
CLASSID	3	0.00631252	0.00210417	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE) + 4.44444444 VAR(CLASSID)
AMPOULE	5	0.00391564	0.00078313	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	9	0.00328214	0.00036468	VAR(ERROR)
CORRECTED TOTAL	17	0.01351031		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(CLASSID)	0.00029724
VAR(AMPOULE)	0.00020922
VAR(ERROR)	0.00036468

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certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDATE = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
CLASSID	4	BAM/NBS947 LEN/NBS947 SAC/NBS947/NOSAL SAL/NBS947
AMPOULE	9	A1 A101 A110 A20 A301 A320 A401 A410 A420

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN DATA SET = 18

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certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT = 01-JUN-88 - all rat's multiplied \*1000.

lab means with variance and weight - 238:242

OBS	CLASSID	XQQ	NI	SUMNIJSQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	INVNI	FSB	VAR	WT
1	BAM/NBS947	1.01426	1	1	0.00013422	0.00007968	0.00000237	1.00	1.0	0.000216270	4623.85
2	LEN/NBS947	1.02520	4	8	0.00013422	0.00007968	0.00000237	0.25	0.5	0.000174653	5725.66
3	SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	0.99851	4	8	0.00013422	0.00007968	0.00000237	0.25	0.5	0.000174653	5725.66
4	SAL/NBS947	1.02106	4	8	0.00013422	0.00007968	0.00000237	0.25	0.5	0.000174653	5725.66

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**certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM**

isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

????NDENT VARIABLE: R42

SOURCE	DF	TYPE I SS	TYPE I MS	EXPECTED MEAN SQUARE
CLASSID	3	0.13958519	0.04652840	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE) + 4.4444444 VAR(CLASSID)
AMPOULE	5	0.23536061	0.04707212	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	9	0.18671798	0.02074644	VAR(ERROR)
CORRECTED TOTAL	17	0.56166377		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(CLASSID)	-0.00012234
VAR(AMPOULE)	0.01316284
VAR(ERROR)	0.02074644

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certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDATE = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

grand mean with variance and degrees of freedom for grand mean variance - 238:242

dftot is calculated by SATTERTHWAITE's approximation according to JAECH's suggestion

OBS	R	XQQQ	SUMWT	SUMFSB	SUMINVNT	VARXQQQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	P1	R1			
OBS	P2	MA	MB	MC	PA	FB	FC	NUEC	NUEB	NUEA	GA	GB	GC	DFTOT
1	4	1.01478	21800.8	2.5	1.75	0.0000458698	0.00013422	0.00007968	0.00000237	1.69231	3.07692			
1	2	0.00055019	0.00016173	0.00000237	3	3	6	6	2.91241	1.5918	0.25	0.15625	0.109375	2.7664

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certification Q987 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

lab means with variance and weight - 239:242

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OBS	CLASSID	XQQ	NI	SUMNIJSQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	INVNI	F3B	VAR	WT
1	BAM/NBS947	0.606578	6	12	0.0036274	0.0013187	0.00003845	0.166667	0.33333	0.00407338	245.497
2	LEN/NBS947	0.639204	2	4	0.0036274	0.0013187	0.00003845	0.500000	1.00000	0.00496533	201.397
3	SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	0.512967	4	8	0.0036274	0.0013187	0.00003845	0.250000	0.50000	0.00429636	232.755
4	SAL/NBS947	0.498091	4	8	0.0036274	0.0013187	0.00003845	0.250000	0.50000	0.00429636	232.755

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**certification 0387 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM**

isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

grand mean with variance and degrees of freedom for grand mean variance = 239.242

dftot is calculated by SATTERTHWAITE's approximation according to JAECH's suggestion

1	P2	OBS	R	XQQQ	SUMWT	SUMFSB	SUMINVNI	VARXQQQ	SABQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	P1	R1	P2	
7143	2	1	4	0.562224	912.403	2.33333	1.16667	0.00109601	0.0036274	0.0013167	0.00003845	2	3.83333	2	
OT		OBS	MA	NB	MC	FA	FB	FC	NUEC	NUED	NUKA	GA	GB	GC	DFTOT
665		1	0.0165809	0.00267585	0.00003845	3	4	8	8	3.88547	2.06941	0.25	0.145833	0.0729167	2.95204

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certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

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lab means with variance and weight - 240:242

OBS	CLASSID	XQQ	NI	SUMNIJSQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	INVNI	FSB	VAR	WT
1	BAM/NBS947	45.1770	6	12	0	0.00170846	0.00049428	0.166667	0.333333	0.000651867	1534.06
2	LEN/NBS947	45.2114	4	8	0	0.00170846	0.00049428	0.250000	0.500000	0.000977800	1022.70
3	SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	45.2212	4	8	0	0.00170846	0.00049428	0.250000	0.500000	0.000977800	1022.70
4	SAL/NBS947	45.1931	4	8	0	0.00170846	0.00049428	0.250000	0.500000	0.000977800	1022.70

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certification Q887 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REF DAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

grand mean with variance and degrees of freedom for grand mean variance - 240:242

dftot is calculated by SATTERTHWAITE's approximation according to JAECH's suggestion

OBS	R	XQQQ	SUMWT	SUMFSB	SUMINVNI	VARXQQQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	P1	R1	P2	
1	4	45.1981	4602.17	1.83333	0.916667	0.000217289	0	0.00170646	0.00049428	2	4.44444	2	
OBS	MA	MB	NC	FA	FB	FC	NUEC	NUEB	NUEA	GA	GB	GC	DFTOT
1	0.00186769	0.00391121	0.00049428	3	5	9	9	3.78252	1	0.25	0.114583	0.0572917	4.61956

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certification qs87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT - 01-JUN-89 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

lab means with variance and weight - 241:242

OBS	CLASSID	XQQ	NI	SUMNIJSQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	INVNI	F8B	VAR	WT
1	BAN/NBS947	1.78281	6	12	0.00029724	0.00020922	0.00036468	0.166667	0.333333	0.00042776	2337.76
2	LEN/NBS947	1.74803	4	8	0.00029724	0.00020922	0.00036468	0.250000	0.500000	0.00049302	2028.32
3	SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	1.74222	4	8	0.00029724	0.00020922	0.00036468	0.250000	0.500000	0.00049302	2028.32
4	SAL/NBS947	1.74024	4	8	0.00029724	0.00020922	0.00036468	0.250000	0.500000	0.00049302	2028.32

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certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT = 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

grand mean with variance and degrees of freedom for grand mean variance - 241:242

dftot is calculated by SATTERTHWAITE's approximation according to JAACH's suggestion

OBS	R	XQQQ	SUMWT	SUMFSB	SUMINVNI	VARXQQQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	P1	R1	P2	
1	4	1.75441	8422.71	1.83333	0.916667	0.000118727	0.00029724	0.00020922	0.00036468	2	4.44444	2	
OBS	MA	MB	MC	FA	FB	FC	NUEC	NUEB	NUEA	GA	GB	GC	DFTOT
1	0.00210417	0.00078313	0.00036468	3	5	9	9	1.274	1.07196	0.25	0.114583	0.0572917	2.49448

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## certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

lab means with variance and weight - 244:242

OBS	CLASSID	XQQ	NI	SUMNIJSQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	INVNI	FSB	VAR	WT
1	BAM/NBS947	390.381	6	12	0	0.0131628	0.0207464	0.166667	0.333333	0.0078454	127.464
2	LEN/NBS947	390.203	4	8	0	0.0131628	0.0207464	0.250000	0.500000	0.0117680	84.976
3	SAC/NBS947/NOSAL	390.263	4	8	0	0.0131628	0.0207464	0.250000	0.500000	0.0117680	84.976
4	SAL/NBS947	390.432	4	8	0	0.0131628	0.0207464	0.250000	0.500000	0.0117680	84.976

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certification QS87 - isotopic composition - PLUTONIUM

isotopic decay corrected to common REFDAT - 01-JUN-88 - all ratios multiplied \*1000.

grand mean with variance and degrees of freedom for grand mean variance - 244:242

dftot is calculated by SATTERTHWAITE's approximation according to JAECH's suggestion

OBS	R	X000	SUMWT	SUMFSR	SUMINVNI	VARM000	SASQ	SBSQ	SC9Q	P1	R1	P2	
1	4	390.326	382.392	1.83333	0.916667	0.00261512	0	0.0131628	0.0207464	2	4.44444	2	
OBS	MA	NB	MC	FA	FB	FC	NUEC	NUEB	NUEA	GA	GB	GC	DFTOT
1	0.0465284	0.0470721	0.0207464	3	5	9	9	1.41154	1	0.25	0.114583	0.0572917	3.86695

ANNEX 2

Results of the Determination  
of U and Pu Concentrations  
in QS 87

Table 2

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## EL-Pu LABNAM-BAN

OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
1	EC210	A401	05FEB1988	4.54420	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-212
2	EC210	A401	29JAN1988	4.54420	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-211
3	EC210	A410	06FEB1988	4.54490	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-222
4	EC210	A410	27JAN1988	4.54460	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-221
5	EC210	A420	05FEB1988	4.53760	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-232
6	EC210	A420	30JAN1988	4.53870	mgPu-242/g	9142-09-231

## EL-Pu LABNAM-RI

OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
7	NB9949 (LAB)	A101	15JAN1988	4.53690	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-322
8	NB9949 (LAB)	A101	15JAN1988	4.53990	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-321
9	NB9949 (LAB)	A110	15JAN1988	4.53790	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-342
10	NB9949 (LAB)	A110	15JAN1988	4.53700	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-341
11	NB9949 (LAB)	A120	15JAN1988	4.53380	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-362
12	NB9949 (LAB)	A120	15JAN1988	4.53240	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-361

## EL-Pu LABNAM-SACLAY

OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
13	MP1	A301	15MAR1988	4.52640	mgPu-242/g	9142-11-431
14	MP1	A301	15MAR1988	4.52810	mgPu-242/g	9142-11-432
15	MP1	A310	15MAR1988	4.53020	mgPu-242/g	9142-11-441
16	MP1	A310	15MAR1988	4.52790	mgPu-242/g	9142-11-442

## EL-Pu LABNAM-SAL

OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
17	CL87	A10_1 14.	19FEB1988	4.53920	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-132
18	CL87	A10_1 14.	19FEB1988	4.53680	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-131
19	CL87	A10_2 24.	19FEB1988	4.53950	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-142
20	CL87	A10_2 24.	19FEB1988	4.54000	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-141
21	CL87	A1_1 14.	19FEB1988	4.53290	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-112
22	CL87	A1_1 14.	19FEB1988	4.53240	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-111
23	CL84	A1_2 20.	19FEB1988	4.53040	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-122
24	CL84	A1_2 20.	19FEB1988	4.52980	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-121
25	CL87	A20_1 21.	22FEB1988	4.54110	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-152
26	CL87	A20_1 21.	22FEB1988	4.54420	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-151
27	CL84	A20_2 22.	22FEB1988	4.51880	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-162
28	CL84	A20_2 22.	22FEB1988	4.51900	mgPu-242/g	9142-08-161

Table 2 (ct'd)

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EL-U LABNAM-BAM						
OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
29	NBS960 (LAB)	A401	12JAN1988	504.700	mgU-236/g	9142-07-212
30	NBS960 (LAB)	A401	12JAN1988	504.550	mgU-236/g	9142-07-211
31	NBS960 (LAB)	A410	21JAN1988	504.590	mgU-236/g	9142-07-232
32	NBS960 (LAB)	A410	21JAN1988	504.650	mgU-236/g	9142-07-231
33	NBS960 (LAB)	A420	12JAN1988	504.790	mgU-236/g	9142-07-252
34	NBS960 (LAB)	A420	12JAN1988	504.720	mgU-236/g	9142-07-251
EL-U LABNAM-RI						
OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
35	NBS960 (LAB)	A101	15JAN1988	504.320	mgU-236/g	9142-07-322
36	NBS960 (LAB)	A101	15JAN1988	504.430	mgU-236/g	9142-07-321
37	NBS960 (LAB)	A110	15JAN1988	504.370	mgU-236/g	9142-07-342
38	NBS960 (LAB)	A110	15JAN1988	504.800	mgU-236/g	9142-07-341
39	NBS960 (LAB)	A120	15JAN1988	504.650	mgU-236/g	9142-07-362
40	NBS960 (LAB)	A120	15JAN1988	504.420	mgU-236/g	9142-07-361
EL-U LABNAM-SACLAY						
OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
41	MU1	A301	15MAR1988	503.740	mgU-236/g	9142-10-411
42	MU1	A301	15MAR1988	503.710	mgU-236/g	9142-10-412
43	MU1	A310	15MAR1988	503.690	mgU-236/g	9142-10-421
44	MU1	A310	15MAR1988	503.940	mgU-236/g	9142-10-422
EL-U LABNAM-SAL						
OBS	STD_NAME	AMPOULE	ANALDATE	ASSAY	UNIT	SAL_ID
45	CL87	A10-1 240	22FEB1988	504.840	mgU-236/g	9142-07-132
46	CL87	A10-1 245	19FEB1988	504.530	mgU-236/g	9142-07-131
47	CL87	A10-2 145	19FEB1988	504.390	mgU-236/g	9142-07-142
48	CL87	A10-2 150	19FEB1988	504.720	mgU-236/g	9142-07-141
49	CL87	A1-1 104	18FEB1988	503.870	mgU-236/g	9142-07-112
50	CL87	A1-1 104	18FEB1988	504.080	mgU-236/g	9142-07-111
51	CL84	A1-2 104	19FEB1988	505.340	mgU-236/g	9142-07-122
52	CL84	A1-2 104	18FEB1988	505.270	mgU-236/g	9142-07-121
53	CL87	A20-1 220	22FEB1988	505.150	mgU-236/g	9142-07-152
54	CL87	A20-1 210	22FEB1988	505.210	mgU-236/g	9142-07-151
55	CL84	A20-2 210	22FEB1988	504.040	mgU-236/g	9142-07-162
56	CL84	A20-2 210	22FEB1988	503.930	mgU-236/g	9142-07-161

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VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS	LEVELS	VALUES
LABNAN	4	BAM RI SACLAY SAL
AMPOULE	14	A101 A10_1 A10_2 A110 A120 A1_1 A1_2 A20_1 A20_2 A301 A310 A401 A410 A420

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN BY GROUP = 20

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## **VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE**

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR (LABNAM)	0.00001432
VAR (AMPOULE)	0.00004163
VAR (ERROR)	0.00000114

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VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

CLASS LEVEL INFORMATION

CLASS LEVELS VALUES

LABNAM 4 BAM RI SACLAY SAL

AMPOULE 14 A101 A10\_1 A10\_2 A110 A120 A1\_1 A1\_2 A20\_1 A20\_2 A301 A310 A401 A410 A420

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS IN BY GROUP = 28

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## **Plutonium**

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## VARIANCE COMPONENT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

Source	DF	Type I SS	Type I MS	Expected Mean Square
LABNAH	3	2.16806310	0.72268770	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE) + 6.57162857 VAR(LABNAH)
AMPOULE	10	3.32830833	0.33283083	VAR(ERROR) + 2 VAR(AMPOULE)
ERROR	14	0.27700000	0.01978571	VAR(ERROR)
Corrected Total	27	5.77337143		

VARIANCE COMPONENT	ESTIMATE
VAR(LABNAH)	0.05932604
VAR(ANFOUIL)	0.15652256
VAR(ERROR)	0.01978571

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## **Uranium**

**Certification QBB7 - element assay**

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## **Plutonium**

grand mean - weighted averaging and calculation of associated standard error according to Jaech's proposal based on Satterthwaite's model

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## Uranium

grand mean - weighted averaging and calculation of associated standard error  
 according to Jaesch's proposal based on Batterthwaite's model

OBS	R	XQQQ	SUMT	SUMTSB	SUMTHVNI	VARXQQQ	SASQ	SBSQ	SCSQ	P1	R1	R2
1	4	504.444	35.9239	1.33333	0.666667	0.0278366	0.059326	0.156523	0.0197857	2	6.57143	2
OBS	MA	NB	MC	TA	TB	TC	NUC	NUB	NUA	GA	GB	GC
1	0.722688	0.332631	0.0197857	3	10	14	8.82413	0.820556	0.25	0.0633333	0.0416667	2.69609

ANNEX 3

**Preparation of the QS 87 Spike**

QS 87

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DEVELOPMENT OF URANIUM AND PLUTONIUM STANDARDS ( QS 87 )  
USED AS COMPLEX LABEL WHEN ANALYSING SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL  
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#### ABSTRACT

The preparation of reference material (RM), solution of uranium and plutonium (QS 87) in Radium Institute is described. The RM is the mixture of U-233, U-236, Pu-242 and Pu-244 . It is designed for use as a spike for mass spectrometric measurements with isotope dilution. The RM is transmitted to IAEA for use in safeguards purposes

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#### INTRODUCTION

The objective of this work was the preparation and determination of isotopic ratios U-233/U-236, Pu-244/Pu-242 and element concentrations in the reference material - solution of uranium and plutonium. The reference material was named QS87. The reference material was designed to use as internal standard in mass spectrometric analysis of uranium and plutonium in spent fuel solutions.

The task was fulfilled in the framework of the USSR support programme ( Task No SSR-3-2 ).

The preparation of QS87 was carried out in Radium Institute ( RI ); the materials were characterised in RI, SAL, SEAIN ( France ) and BAM ( W.Berlin ).

The prepared RM QS87 was sent to IAEA on July 1987 to use for the safeguards purposes.

### 1. Stages of the work

The RM QS87 should have the following characteristics:

#### Isotopic concentrations -

U-233	-	0.5 mg/g
U-236	-	0.5 mg/g
Pu-242	-	0.005 mg/g
Pu-244	-	0.002 mg/g

Concentration of HNO<sub>3</sub> - 7 M

Volume of solution - 2 l

Number of ampoules - 20

On the first stage of the work two solutions had to be prepared. One of them should contain uranium isotopes. another one - plutonium isotopes

After the analysis of these solutions had been made by RI,SAL and SEAIN they should be mixed ( in the case of good coincidence of the results ) and conditioned according to the volumes and concentrations desired. Then the mixture ( QS87 ) should be sealed in ampoules and transmitted to IAEA. The analysis of QS87 had to be done by RI,SAL and one or two network laboratories. The certification of QS87 had to be done on the basis of the results obtained by the laboratories mentioned above

## 2. Initial materials and preparation of double mixtures

### 2.1 Solution of the mixture of U-233 and U-236

The solution of SRM U-233 (FCO 3213-85) and nitrate solution of oxide-peroxide of U-236 were used as the initial materials. Both of them were prepared in USSR. The isotopic composition of these materials are shown in Table 1.

The content of the plutonium in the uranium initial materials was determined in order to take into account its presence in calculations of the total plutonium concentration in QS87. This is important too for the determination of the interference effects in mass spectrometric measurements. The isotope dilution method with alpha spectrometry was used in plutonium determinations. The solution of Pu-236 with the specific activity 1.83 Bq/ml was used as a spike. Results obtained from this analysis are as follows (in molar ratios):

Pu-239/U-233	-	$7 \times 10^{-7}$
Pu-239/U-236	-	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$
Pu-238/U-233	-	$3 \times 10^{-9}$
Pu-238/U-236	-	$4 \times 10^{-10}$

As the plutonium content was determined to be very small the decision was taken not to purify the uranium initial materials. The blending of the uranium solutions were carried out with mass control on all stages of the procedure.

### 2.2 Solution of Pu-242 and Pu-244 mixture

The initial materials of plutonium were the working reference material Pu-242 (nitrate solution, CO -009-87) prepared in RI and Pu-244 NBS 996 provided by IAEA. The isotopic composition is shown in Table 2.

After dissolution the standard NBS 996 was mixed with the solution of Pu-242. The isotopic exchange was carried out by means of redox cycle with  $\text{NH}_2\text{HNO}_3$ . An anion exchange procedure was used for separation of americium. The process was carried out on the column with the resin VP-1 in 7 M  $\text{HNO}_3$ . The chemical yield of plutonium was 95%. The solution of plutonium double mixture was analysed for determination of uranium impurity. The laser induced luminescence at 527 nm in polysilicate solution media was used for this purpose. The solution of uranium SRM FCO 2893-84 was used for calibration. The determined content of uranium in plutonium expressed as mass ratio was  $(1.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$

### 3. Mass spectrometric measurements

The number of aliquots, their codes and weights are shown in Fig. 1 and 2. The indexes (1) and (2) in the names of SRM denote that the different specimens were used, e.g. NBS U-500 (1) and NBS U-500 (1) were acquired with the difference in five years.

For the samples in which NBS 947 and NBS 949 were used the isotopic exchange procedure were carried out (see item 2.2).

The mass spectrometric measurements were carried out with TH-5 mass spectrometer. For measurement of each sample two loadings were used. Each loading required about 10 mkg of uranium and 1 mkg of plutonium. 5 series of measurements were carried out per one loading. Each series consisted of 10-15 scans. In other words, each loading produced 50-70 scans. Inside the time intervals between the series the focusing of ion source and the peak positions were checked. The results of mass spectrometric measurements are shown in Tables 3 and 4.

#### 4. Data processing

##### 4.1. Calculation of isotopic ratios with use of internal standard

On the basis of material balance the following equation can be written for example for uranium /1/:

$$\frac{\frac{N_n^6}{n}}{\frac{N_t^6}{t}} = \frac{\frac{R_m^{3/6} - R_t^{3/6}}{m}}{\frac{R_n^{3/6} - R_m^{3/6}}{n}} = \frac{\frac{R_m^{5/6} - R_t^{5/6}}{m}}{\frac{R_n^{5/6} - R_m^{5/6}}{n}} = \frac{\frac{R_m^{8/6} - R_t^{8/6}}{m}}{\frac{R_n^{8/6} - R_m^{8/6}}{n}} \quad (1)$$

Indexes n, m and t are related to the analysed sample, mixture of the sample with standard reference material and reference material respectively.  $N_n^6$  and  $N_t^6$  are the quantities of moles

of  $^{236}\text{U}$  in analysed sample and SRM;  $R_n^{3/6}$ ,  $R_m^{3/6}$  and  $R_t^{3/6}$  - 'true' values of molar isotopic ratios of one of three isotopes -  $^{233}\text{U}$ ,  $^{235}\text{U}$  and  $^{238}\text{U}$  to the fourth -  $^{236}\text{U}$ .

The relation between 'true' and measured isotopic ratios can be expressed by means of following equations (for example for  $R_n^{3/6}$ ):

$$R_n^{3/6} = R_n^{3/6*} * (1 + \Delta_{3/6} * F_n) \quad (2)$$

$$R_m^{3/6} = R_m^{3/6*} * (1 + \Delta_{3/6} * F_m) \quad (3)$$

Index \* is related to the measured ratios.  $\Delta_{3/6}$  is the difference of mass number for isotopes in denominator and in nominator (in expressions (2) and (3)  $\Delta_{3/6} = 3$ ),  $F_n$  and  $F_m$  are discrimination factors (bias corrections) per one mass unit for the analysed sample and the mixture of the sample with SRM respectively. The aim of data processing is to determine 'true' ratios in the sample if the measured ratios for the

sample as well for the mixture of the sample with the SRM and the 'true' ratios in SRM are known.

The substitution (2) and (3) into the second part of (1) leads to expression for two first parts of (1):

$$\begin{aligned} R_m^{3/6*} * (1 + \Delta_{3/6} * F_m) - R_t^{3/6} &= Q * R_n^{3/6*} * (1 + \Delta_{3/6} * F_n) - \\ &- Q * R_m^{3/6*} * (1 + \Delta_{3/6} * F_m) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where  $Q = N_t / N_m$

Rewrite (4) in the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{3/6} * R_m^{3/6*} * (F_m + Q * F_m) + (R_m^{3/6*} - R_n^{3/6*}) * Q - \\ - \Delta_{3/6} * R_n^{3/6*} * Q * F_n = R_t^{3/6} - R_m^{3/6*} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Denoting

$$F_m * (1 + Q) = x_1 \quad (6)$$

$$Q = x_2 \quad (7)$$

$$Q * F_n = x_3 \quad (8)$$

and taking into account (1) one can write the system of three linear equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{3/6} * R_m^{3/6*} * x_1 + (R_m^{3/6*} - R_n^{3/6*}) * x_2 - \Delta_{3/6} * R_n^{3/6*} * x_3 = \\ = R_t^{3/6} - R_m^{3/6*} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{5/6} * R_m^{5/6*} * x_1 + (R_m^{5/6*} - R_n^{5/6*}) * x_2 - \Delta_{5/6} * R_n^{5/6*} * x_3 = \\ = R_t^{5/6} - R_m^{5/6*} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{8/6} * R_m^{8/6*} * x_1 + (R_m^{8/6*} - R_n^{8/6*}) * x_2 - \Delta_{8/6} * R_n^{8/6*} * x_3 = \\ = R_t^{8/6} - R_m^{8/6*} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

The solution of these equations in relation to  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  and combination with (6)-(8) give  $F_n$ ,  $F_m$  and  $Q$ . Combination with (1)-(3) gives 'true' isotopic ratios for sample ( $R_n$ ) for the mixture and the quantity of moles of analyzed isotope ( $^{236}U$  for example) in the sample.

#### 4.2 Results of calculation

The following initial data needed for the calibration were used: the certified values for SRM's (NBS U-500, NBS 947), the mean values of measured isotopic ratios in the sample -  $R_n^*$  and measured isotopic ratios in mixture -  $R_m^*$ . The values  $R_n^{3/6}$  and  $R_m^{4/2}$  are the mean values of 6 loadings: 101, 102, 131, 132, 231, 232 (Table 3, 4). Other values  $R_n^*$  are the mean values of 2 loading: 101 and 102. The calculation was carried out in correspondence with the scheme in item 4.1. Two other methods of calculation were used: the iteration procedure proposed by S.Deron and the transformation (1)-(3) into quadratic equation where  $F_n$  was the root. All three methods of calculation gave the similar results (within 7 digits). The initial data and the results of calculation i.e. corrected (normalized) isotopic ratios are given in Table 5, 6.

#### 4.3. Calculation of element concentrations

For these calculation the equation for isotopic dilution was used. For example in the case of uranium the following equation is valid:

$$\frac{N_n^6}{N_t^6} = \frac{R_m^{6/8} - R_n^{6/8}}{1 - R_m^{6/8}/R_n^{6/8}}$$
 (12)

In right part of this equation only  $R_{m}^{6/8}$  is unknown since  $R_{n}^{6/8}$  had been found out in item 4.2. For derivation this equation the next procedure was used. First of all  $F_m$  must be found out.

Since in SRM NBS 960 there are neither  $^{233}\text{U}$  nor  $^{236}\text{U}$ ,  $R_{n}^{3/6} = R_{m}^{3/6}$

and the following expression can be written:

$$\frac{R_n^{3/6}}{R_m^{3/6}} = \frac{R_n^{3/6*}}{R_m^{3/6*}} * \frac{(1+3F_m)}{m} \quad (13)$$

For calculation  $R_m^{6/8}$  the next expression was used:

$$\frac{R_m^{6/8}}{R_m^{3/6*}} = \frac{R_m^{6/8*}}{R_m^{3/6*}} * \frac{(1+2F_m)}{m} \quad (14)$$

After substitution (14) into (12)  $N_n^6$  can be found. Using isotopic ratios (Tables 5, 6) weights of SRM added into the sample concentration of uranium in SRM and weights of the sample (Fig. 1.2) the concentration of uranium in the sample can be found.

The procedure of calculation of plutonium concentration was similar with the exception of special allowance made for the presence of 0.006%  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  in SRM NBS 949f when the calculation of

$R_n^{4/2}$  (eq. 13) was progress. The weights of 52 M NBS 949f and aliquots of the sample were taken into account too. The calculation values of uranium and plutonium concentrations are given in Table 7.

The concentration of uranium was determined also by means of potentiometric titration with use Davies-Gray-NBL technique. 3 mg of uranium was needed for one determination. Simultaneously the titration of the solution of NBS 960 was carried out. The titrator Mettler DL40RC was in use. The mean value of uranium concentration obtained by this method was 2.0078 mg/g for 5 determinations with SD 0.0017 mg/g \*). It is seen that the values obtained by isotopic dilution and titration coincide within the 95% confidence limits.

\*) This part of work was carried out with Mr. H.Aigner's participation.

5. Comparison of the results obtained by RI, SAL and SEAIN

The obtained results are shown in Table 8. The values of major ratios (233/236 and 244/242) are in good agreement for all laboratories. On this basis it was decided to prepare QS87 by mixing the double solutions.

#### 6. Preparation of QS87

The procedure was as follows. To 1243.05 g of solution of uranium mixture in 2.5 l flask, 420.166 g of plutonium double mixture solution and 769.384 g 16 M HNO<sub>3</sub> were added. All opera-

tions of transference and dilution were carried with weight control. The final solution of QS87 was weighed with the error less than ±0.3 g. The prepared solution was agitated for 5 days and then packed into 20 ampoules made of 'pyrex' glass. Each ampoule was filled with about 100 ml of solution. Just after filling ampoules were sealed. In the beginning, in the middle and in the end of filling process (which duration was about 1 hour) the solution of QS87 was aliquoted into small ampoules (approximately 4 g of solution per ampoule) which were sealed too. The scheme of packing is shown on Fig. 3. 20 big ampoules (A1-A20) and part of small ampoules were transmitted to SAL. The ampoules A101, A110 and A120 were analysed in RI. The scheme of analysis in RI are shown on Fig. 4-6.

232	1.0173	0.0002		0.9494	0.0002		5
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### 7. Chemical treatment of the samples

Anion exchange resin Dowex 2\*8(100-200 mesh) in 7.5 M HNO<sub>3</sub>

at 60° C was used for separation of the plutonium from the uranium. The volume of the resin in the chromatographic column was about 0.4 ml. The uranium fraction was recovered with 7.5 M HNO<sub>3</sub>. For recovery of plutonium fraction 0.4 M HNO<sub>3</sub> was used.

The volume of eluates in both cases did not exceed 10 ml. Chemical yield of plutonium was not less than 90%. The separation factor for plutonium from the uranium was about 10000. This level of decontamination was sufficient to exclude the influence of uranium on the mass spectrometric determination of plutonium isotopes with the exception of <sup>238</sup>Pu. Therefore its determination was carried out with alpha-spectrometry after the separation <sup>228</sup>Th. The content of <sup>238</sup>Pu in molar fraction was 0.0711%.

## 8. Results of analysis of QS87

### 8.1. Determination of isotopic ratios

Results of analysis of QS87 amooules 101 and 110 for uranium isotopic ratios are shown in Table 9. The measurements were carried out in according with the scheme on Fig. 4, 5. Besides in some cases the analysis of the uranium without the plutonium separation was carried out in order to estimate the influence of the plutonium presence. Results are given in Table 10.

Results in Tables 9 and 10 are obtained with use SRM U-500. It is interesting to compare these results with data obtained with use soviet SRM FCO 2702-83 and FCO 2704-83 (Tables 11 and 12).

The measurements and corrected isotopic ratios for plytonium in QS87 are shown in Table 13.

All data including double mixture are reviewed in Tables 14 and 15. The consideration of data shown in Tables 9-15 allows to conclude that there are good coincidences of major isotopic ratios:

- between the parallel loadings for one amooule;
- between two amooules A101 and A110;
- between the results obtained both for purified uranium and for uranium in the presence of plutonium;
- between the results normalized both with NES U-500 and to FCO 2702-83 and 2704-83;
- between the results of analysis of double mixtures and QS87.

Speaking about 'minor' isotopic ratios it must be noted that the sample aliquoted from ampoule A101 was probably contaminated with  $^{238}\text{U}$  and  $^{239}\text{Pu}$ . So these results were not taken into consideration for the calculation of mean values. The increase of the ratio  $^{239}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  in QS87 in comparison with the double mixture can be explained by the presence  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  in initial material  $^{233}\text{U}$  (see item 2.1). On the other hand the noticeable decrease of the ratio  $^{241}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  in QS87 in comparison with the double mixture can be explained partly by the decay  $^{241}\text{Pu}$  since the time interval between the analysis of double mixture and QS787 is about 8 months. It gives rise to decrease the ratio  $^{241}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  about 2.3%.

#### 8.2 Determination of element concentrations

The scheme of the measurements is given on Fig. 4-6. The weights of aliquots, results of the measurements and the calculation data are given in Tables 16, 17. The data of isotopic composition needed for calculation were taken from the Tables 9 and 13 (see the last lines).

Using the results of the determination of the concentration in double mixtures (Table 7) and the weight data for the preparation QS87 (item 6) it is possible to estimate the concentration values for both elements in QS87. These values were to be 1.02605 mg/g for the uranium and 6.5419 mkg/g for the plutonium. Within the confidence limits these values coincides with the data given in Table 17.

### 8.3. Final results obtained by RI

The characteristics of QS87 derived from the results obtained by RI according to the scheme on Fig. 4-6 are given in Tables 18, 19. In this report there is no analysis of the error sources but it is necessary to say that the main component of the total error of the 'major' isotopic ratios is the error of certification of SRM's which were used for normalization.

The impurity contents in QS87 are given in Table 20

## CONCLUSIONS

The preparation and analysis of the uranium and plutonium mixture for reference material QS87 has been achieved.

It were prepared 2 l of solution which was distributed into 20 ampoules had been transmitted to IAEA.

It is expedient to carry out the final certification on the basis of the results obtained in SAL and other network laboratories.

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The Scheme of Analysis of Uranium Solution

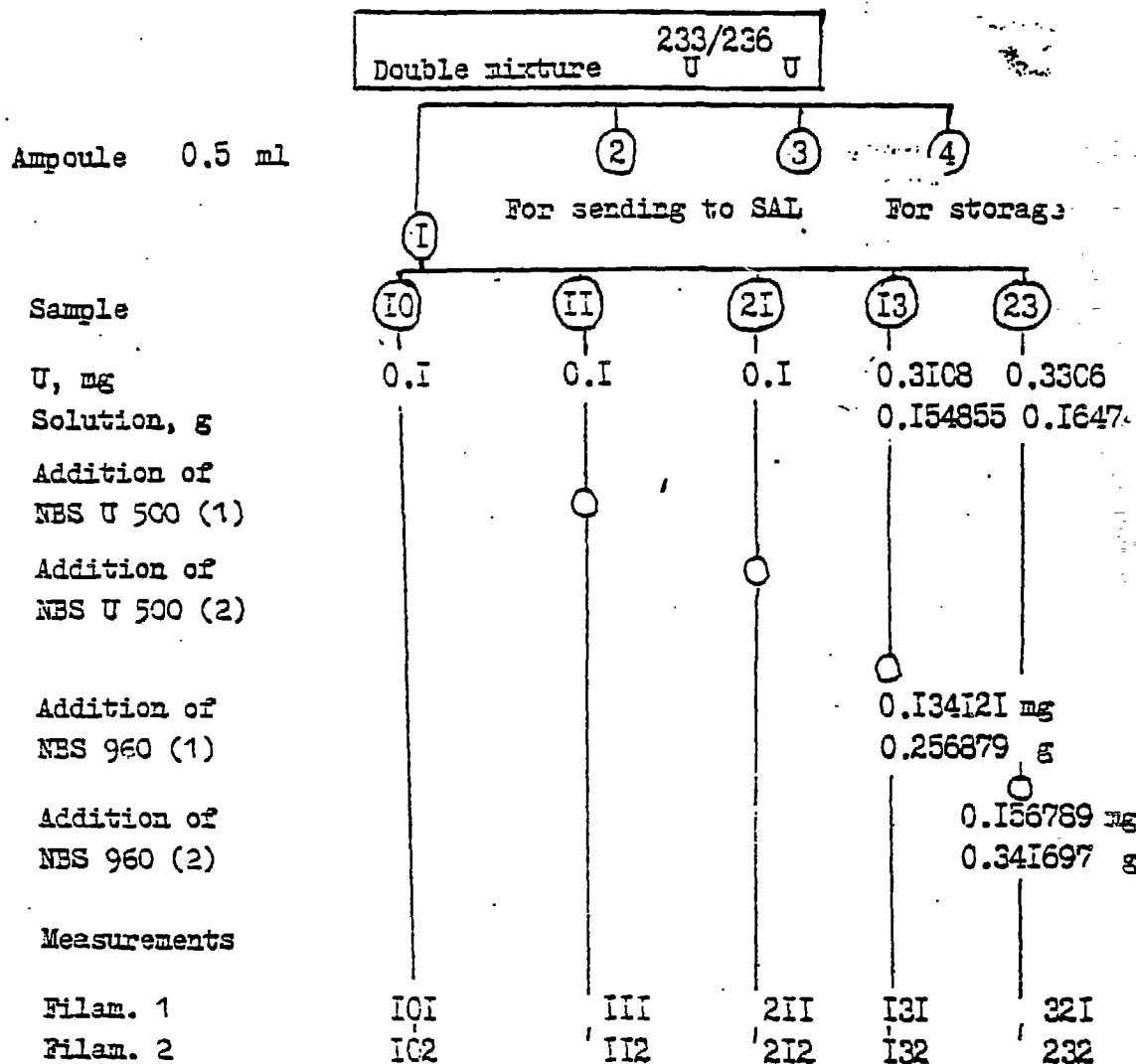


Fig. 1

The Scheme of Analysis of Plutonium Solution

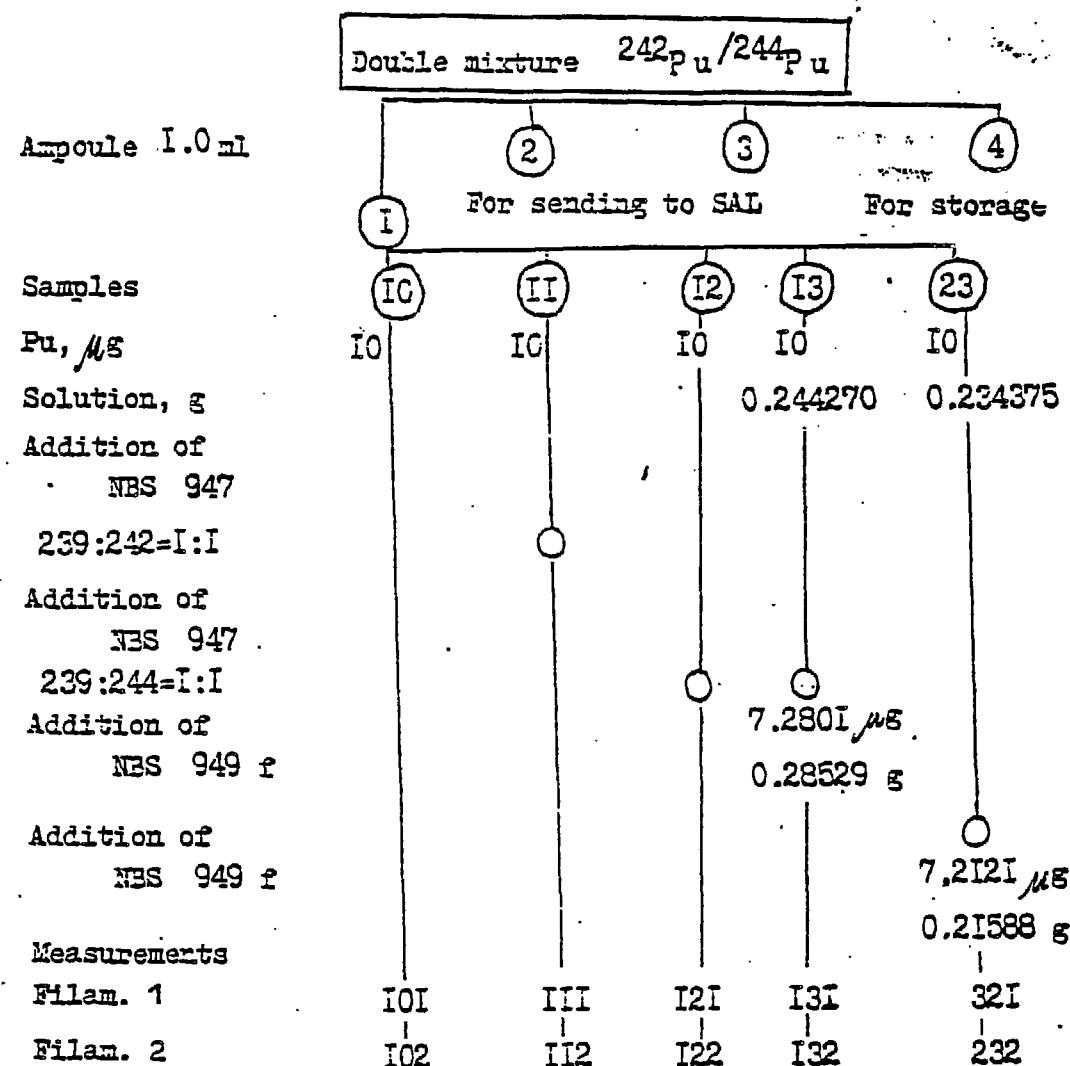


FIG. 2

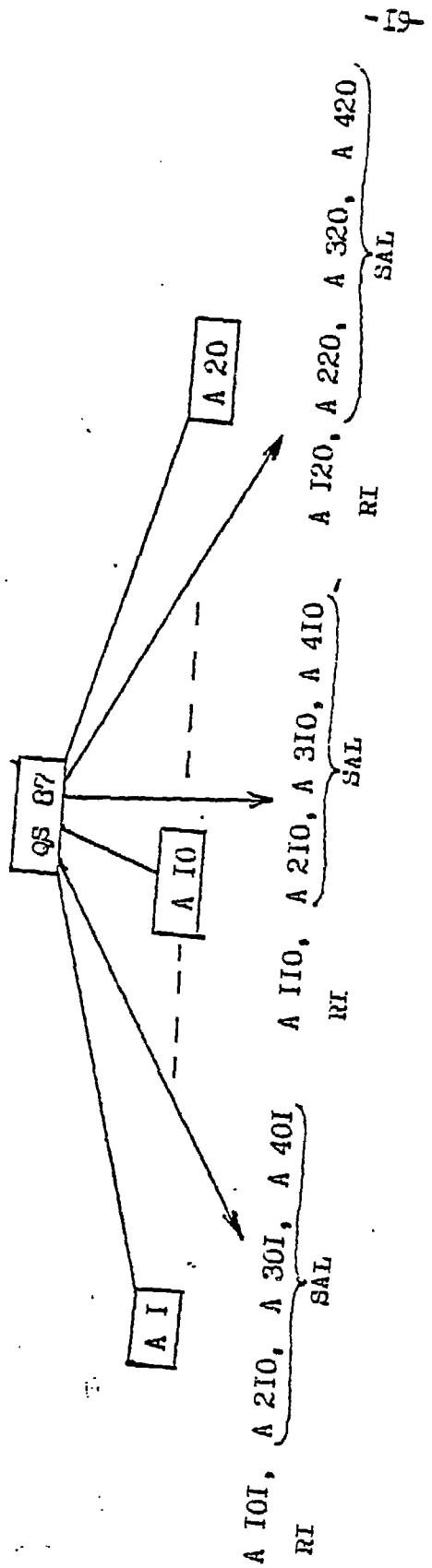


FIG. 3. The Scheme of Aliquoting QS 87

Analytical scheme - RI

A 101

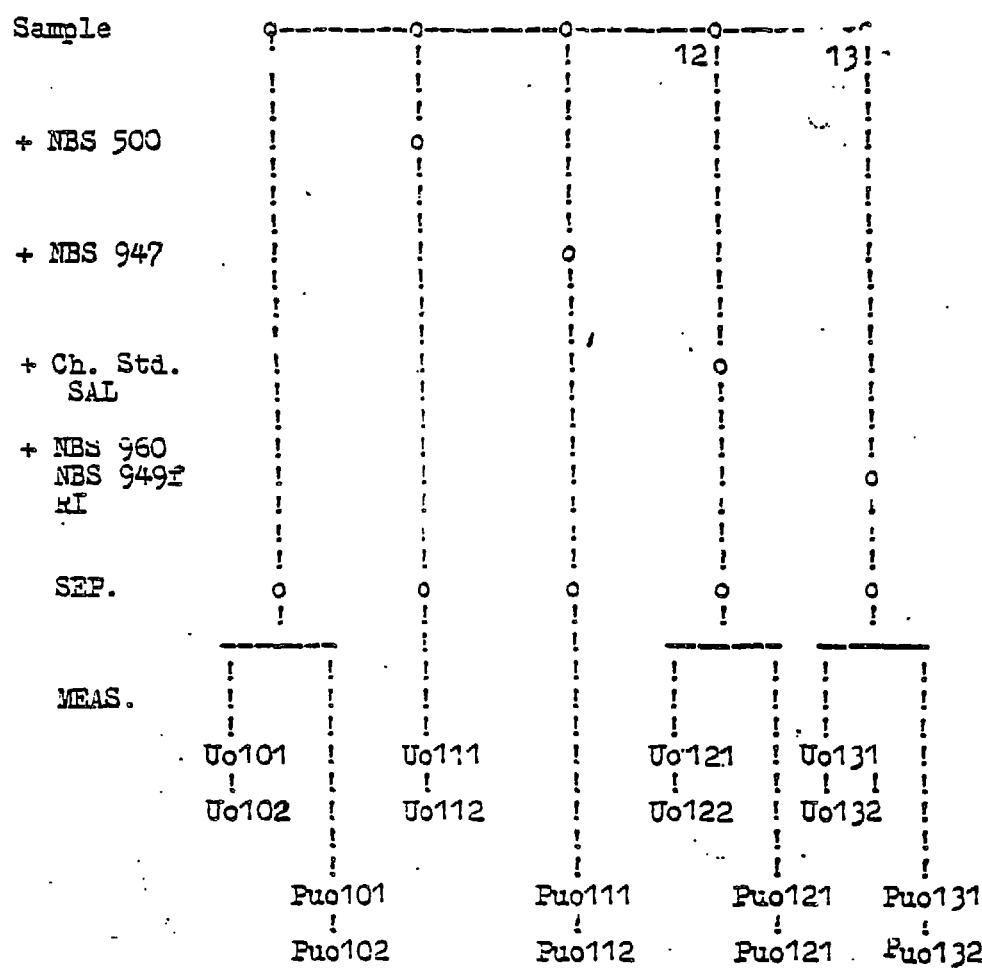


Fig. 4

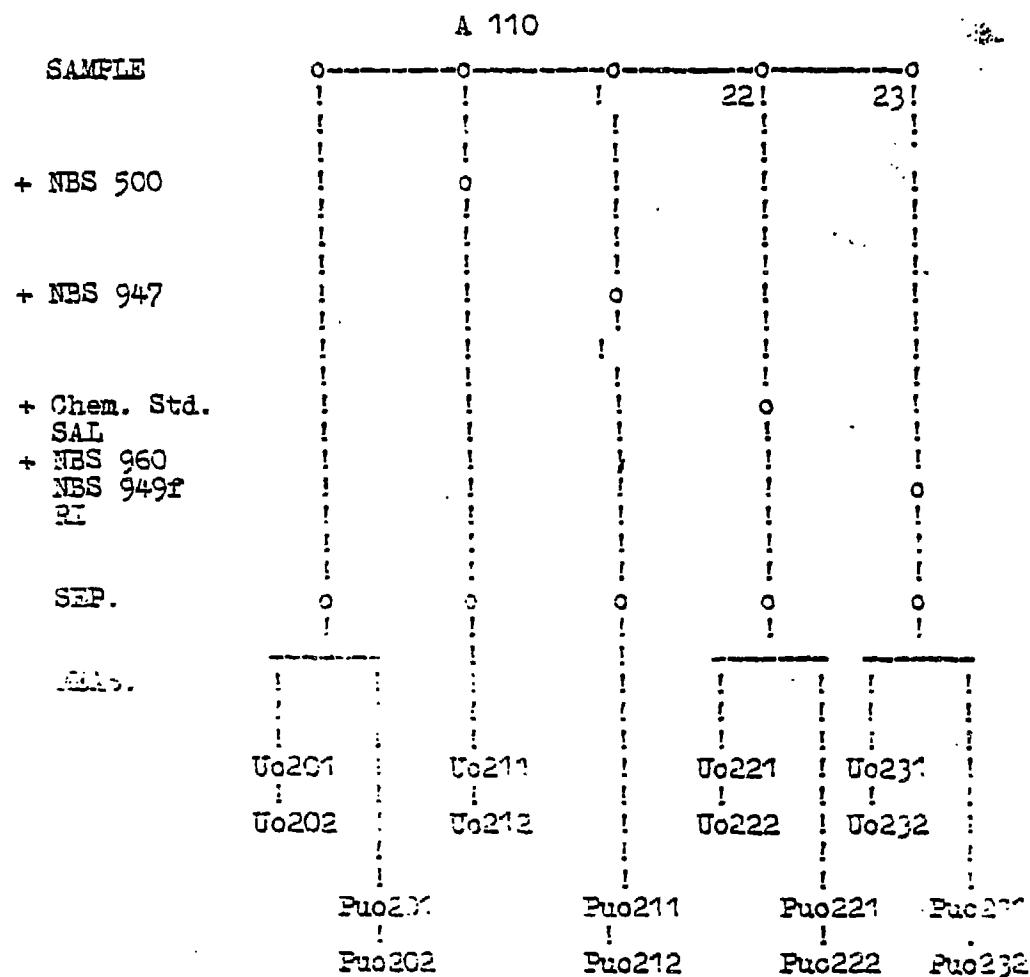


Fig. 5. Analytical Scheme RI

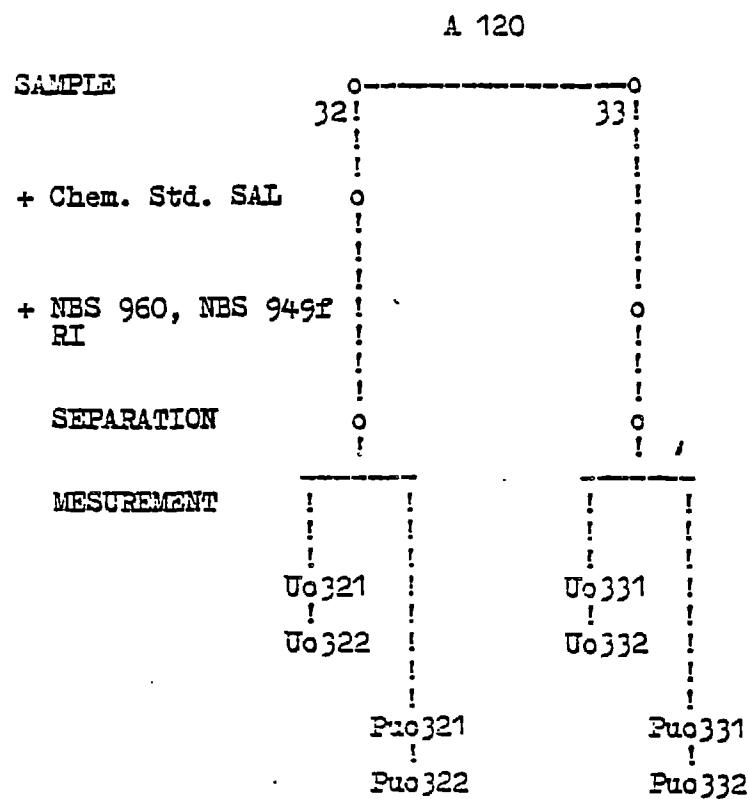


Fig. 6. Analytical Scheme RI

Table 1  
Composition of the Uranium Starting Materials ( atomic % )

Isotope	233	234	235	236	238
UO <sub>2</sub> 3213-85 solution	97.201 ± 0.002	2.655 ± 0.002	0.0882 ± 0.0003	0.0017 ± 0.0001	0.0531 ± 0.0005
236U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	-	-	0.0045 ± 0.0004	99.974 ± 0.002	0.0218 ± 0.0004

Table 2  
Composition of the Plutonium Starting Materials (atomic %)

Isotope	238	239	240	241	242	244
COR. 909-87II	+0.097 -0.005	+0.035 -0.003	+4.057 -0.012	+0.155 -0.006	+94.647 -0.015	+1.010 -0.005
NBS 996	+0.005 -0.001	+0.034 -0.001	+0.677 -0.004	+0.092 -0.002	+1.325 -0.004	+97.867 +0.008

Table 3  
Results of Measurements of Isotopic Ratios in Uranium Double Mixture

Sample	101	102	111	112	211	212	131	132	231	232
233/236	1.01689	1.01697	1.01526	1.01508	1.01485	1.01720	1.01732	1.01746	1.01759	1.01752
SD	0.00016	0.00044	0.00014	0.00030	0.00004	0.00022	0.00020	0.0007	0.00024	0.0002
235/236	9.65 $10^{-4}$	9.66 $10^{-4}$	1.33807	1.33795	1.5502	1.54948				
SD	0.04 $10^{-4}$	0.02 $10^{-4}$	0.00012	0.00015	0.0008	0.00015				
238/236	8.46 $10^{-4}$	8.49 $10^{-4}$	1.33841	1.33840	1.5503	1.5494	0.86453	0.86445	0.94945	0.9494
SD	0.03 $10^{-4}$	0.02 $10^{-4}$	0.00013	0.00019	0.0005	0.0009	0.00003	0.00038	0.00006	0.00002
Number of series	5	5	8	4	5	5	5	5	5	5

**Table 4**  
**Results of Measurements of Isotopic Ratios in Plutonium Double Mixture**

Sample	101	102	111	112	121	122	131	132	231	232
244/242	0.39026	0.38979	0.38636	0.38604	0.38328	0.38396	0.39015	0.39027	0.39018	0.39062
SD	0.00014	0.00020	0.00017	0.00005	0.00020	0.00004	0.00025	0.00020	0.00018	0.0004
240/242	0.045326	0.045234	0.20198	0.20175	0.30991	0.30950				
SD	0.000018	0.00007	0.00015	0.00020	0.00018	0.00003				
239/242	4.92·10 <sup>-4</sup>	4.90·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.65178	0.65115	1.10083	1.09825	1.11765	1.11737	1.15332	1.15017
SD	0.04·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.04·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.0006	0.0004	0.0006	0.00024	0.0014	0.0010	0.0008	0.0019
Number of series	4	4	5	3	5	5	5	5	5	4

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Table 5  
The Initial Data and Results of Calculation for  
Uranium Double Mixture

Ratio	233/236	234/236	235/236	238/236	
$R_t$	0	not used	658.2252	658.4238	
$\bar{R}_n^*$	1.01726	0.027757	$9.655 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.475 \cdot 10^{-4}$	
$R_m^*$	III: 1.01526 II2: 1.01508 2II: 1.01485 2I2: 1.01520		not used	I.33807 I.33795 I.5502 I.54948	I.33841 I.33840 I.5503 I.5494
$R_n^{IC}$	III: 1.01737 II2: 1.01727 2II: 1.01708 2I2: 1.01731	0.027759 0.027757 0.027754 0.027758	$9.655 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $9.655 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $9.654 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $9.655 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.474 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $8.475 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $8.476 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $8.475 \cdot 10^{-4}$	
$\bar{R}_n^{IC}$ SD	I.01726 0.00012	0.027757	$9.655 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.475 \cdot 10^{-4}$	

Table 6  
The Initial Data and Results of Calculation for  
Plutonium Double Mixture

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Ratio	238/242	239/242	240/242	241/242	244/242
R <sub>t</sub>	not used	64.12346	15.47415	not used	0
R <sub>n</sub>	0.001028	0.000491	0.04528	0.001890	0.39021
III		0.65178	0.20198		0.38636
II3		0.65115	0.20175		0.38604
R <sub>n</sub>	not used			not used	
I2I		1.10083	0.30991		0.38328
I22		1.09825	0.30950		0.38396
III	0.001028	0.000491	0.04527	0.001890	0.39031
II2	0.001026	0.000491	0.04524	0.001889	0.39055
R <sub>n</sub> IC	0.001027	0.000491	0.04526	0.001890	0.39042
I2I	0.001028	0.000491	0.04527	0.001890	0.39028
R <sub>n</sub> IC	0.001027	0.000491	0.04526	0.001890	0.39039
SD 58-06-01	0.001018		0.04525	1777	0.00013

corrected,      0.9908      0.59337      0.99358      0.9452

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Table 7  
The Concentrations of Uranium and Plutonium  
in Double Mixture

Sample	U, mg/g	Pu, $\mu$ g/g
I3I	2.00759	37.859
I32	2.00759	37.851
23I	2.00813	37.875
232	2.00842	37.915
Mean	2.00793	37.875
SD	0.00041	0.028

Table 8

The Results of Analysis for Double Mixtures

	SAL	RI	SEAIN	Mean
233/236	1.01759	1.01726	1.01733	1.01739
234/236	0.027741	0.027757	0.027689	0.027729
235/236	0.001007	0.000966	0.000984	0.000986
238/236	0.001759 <sup>*)</sup>	0.000848	0.000871	0.000860
Concen- tration of uranium, mg/g	2.0150	2.0079	1.9807	
238/242	0.001175 <sup>*)</sup>	0.001027	0.00101	0.00102
239/242	0.000736 <sup>*)</sup>	0.000491	0.000505	0.000498
240/242	0.045342	0.045260	0.045230	0.045277
241/242	0.001897	0.001890	0.00198 <sup>*)</sup>	0.001894
244/242	0.390270	0.39039	0.390314	0.39032
Concen- tration of plutonium μg/g	37.853	37.875	37.656	

<sup>\*)</sup> The results were not used for calculations of means.

Table 9

The Measured ( $\bar{R}_n^*$ ) and Internally Corrected Ratios  
for Uranium for Q3 37

Ratio	233/236	234/236	235/236	238/236
A I01				
$\bar{R}_n^*$ I01	1.01769	0.027798	0.000969	0.000976
I02	1.02153	0.027856	0.000968	0.000973
$\bar{R}_n^*$	1.01961	0.027827	0.000969	0.000975
$\bar{R}_n^*$ III	1.01627	0.034735	0.67294	0.67340
$\bar{R}_n^*$ II2	1.01848	0.034894	0.67314	0.67212
$\bar{R}_n^*$ IC III	1.01769	0.02779	0.000968	0.000976
$\bar{R}_n^*$ II2	1.01765	0.02779	0.000968	0.000976*)
A II0				
$\bar{R}_n^*$ 201	1.01996	0.027854	0.000969	0.000798
202	1.01964	0.027778	0.000963	0.000792
$\bar{R}_n^*$	1.01980	0.027816	0.000966	0.000795
$\bar{R}_n^*$ 2II	1.01709	0.035044	0.70708	0.70666
$\bar{R}_n^*$ 2I2	1.01747	0.035066	0.70736	0.70673
$\bar{R}_n^*$ IC 2II	1.01753	0.02777	0.000965	0.000796
$\bar{R}_n^*$ IC 2I2	1.01759	0.02778	0.000965	0.000796
$\bar{R}_n^*$ IC SD	1.01762 0.00007	0.02778	0.000967	0.000796

\*) Not used for calculation of  $\bar{R}_n^*$  IC.

Table 10  
The Measured ( $R_n^{\text{m}}$ ) and Internally Corrected ( $R_n^{\text{IC}}$ ) Ratios  
for Uranium for Q8 87 without Separation from Plutonium.

Ratio	233/236	234/236	235/236	238/236
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{m}}$ A I0I	1.01961	0.027827	0.000969	0.000975
	III	1.01553	0.034762	0.67400
	II2	1.01569	0.034662	0.67403
	$R_n^{\text{IC}}$ III	1.01703	0.027780	0.000968
	II2	1.01712	0.027782	0.000968
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{m}}$ A.II0	1.01980	0.027816	0.000966	0.000795
	2II	1.01593	0.034364	0.64639
	2I2	1.01802	0.034516	0.64681
	$R_n^{\text{IC}}$ 2II	1.01769	0.027778	0.000965
	2I2	1.01729	0.027770	0.000965
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$	1.01728	0.02778	0.000967	0.000796
SD	0.00019			

Table 11  
The Characteristics of the Uranium Isotopic Standard  
Reference Materials ( at. % )

Isotop	234	235	236	238	235/238
FCO 2702-83	+0.367 -0.002	$\pm$ 49.588 0.012	+0.4569 -0.0005	+49.588 -0.012	$\pm$ 1.0000 0.0005
FCO 2704-83	+0.961 -0.004	$\pm$ 89.868 0.005	+0.2698 -0.0005	+8.901 -0.004	$\pm$ 10.097 0.005

Table 12  
The Measured ( $R_n^{\#}$ ) and Internally Corrected ( $R_n^{IC}$ ) Ratios  
of Uranium for GS 87 with Using SRM "TCCP"

Ratio	233/236	234/236	235/236	238/236
$R_n^{\#}$	1.01723	0.027813	0.000960	0.000782
$R_n^{\#}$ +2702	1.01133	0.033022	0.02155	0.72100
$R_n^{\#}$ +2704	1.01145	0.043497	1.48820	0.14835
$R_n^{IC}$ +2702	1.01756	0.027819	0.000960	0.000782
$R_n^{IC}$ +2704	1.01782	0.027824	0.000960	0.000782
$\bar{R}_n^{IC}$	1.01769	0.027822	0.000960	0.000782

Table 13  
The Measured ( $\bar{R}_n^{\text{M}}$ ) and Internally Corrected ( $\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$ )  
Ratios of Plutonium for QS 37

Ratio	239/242	240/242	241/242	244/242	
A IOI					
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{M}}$	I01	0.000835	0.045338	0.001820	0.30989
	I02	0.000796	0.045244	0.001766	0.38997
		0.000816	0.045291	0.001793	0.38993
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{M}}$	III	1.17570	0.32784	0.034235	0.38277
	II2	1.17449	0.32760	0.033993	0.38298
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$	III	0.000815	0.04525	0.001792	0.39027
	II2	0.000815 <sup>**</sup>	0.04525	0.001792	0.39028
A IIO					
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{M}}$	201	0.000640	0.045249	0.001810	0.38962
	202	0.000640	0.045174	0.001815	0.39006
		0.000640	0.045212	0.001813	0.38984
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{M}}$	2II	1.04528	0.29657	0.030806	0.38418
	2I2	1.04622	0.29679	0.030419	0.38396
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$	2II	0.000639	0.04516	0.001812	0.39025
	2I2	0.000639	0.04518	0.001812	0.39013
$\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$	SD	0.000639	0.04521	0.001802	0.39023 0.00007

<sup>\*\*</sup>) Not used for calculation  $\bar{R}_n^{\text{IC}}$ .

Table 14  
The Internally Corrected Ratios for Uranium Measured  
under Various Conditions

The conditions of the analy- sis	Number of meas.	233/236	234/236	235/236	* 238/236
Double mixture (mean from 3 lab., tab. 8)	3	1.01739	0.02773	0.000986	0.000860
QS 87 (tab. 9)	2	1.01762	0.02778	0.000967	0.000796
QS 87 without separation from Pu (tab. 10)	2	1.01728	0.02778	0.000967	0.000796
QS 87 by use FCO (tab. 12)	2	1.01769	0.02782	0.000960	0.000782

Table 15  
The Internally Corrected Ratios of Plutonium for  
Double Mixture and QS 87

	Number of samples	238/242	239/242	240/242	241/242	244/242
Double mixture (Table 8)	3	0.00102	0.000498	0.045277	0.001894	0.390
QS 87 (Tab. I3)	2	0.00103*)	0.000639	0.045211	0.001802	0.390

\*)  $\lambda$ -spectrometry .

Table 16  
The Characteristics of Solutions for Determination of  
Concentration of Uranium and Plutonium for QS 87

Sample	Weight, g	SRM used	Weight of SRM, g	Concentration of SRM U, mg/g; Pu, $\mu$ g/g
I2	0.94384	CL 87-19	0.63991	
I3	0.77786	RI NBS 960 NBS 949	0.52165 0.12516	0.688313 25.5315
22	0.83659	CL 87-20	0.67066	
23	0.92027	RI NBS 960 NBS 949	0.72148 0.16749	0.688313 25.5315
32	0.93478	CL 87-21	0.66085	
33	0.94362	RI NBS 960 <sup>x</sup> NBS 949	0.90462 0.15946	0.44142 25.5352

<sup>x</sup>) Other sample of NBS 960 was used.

Table 17  
The Concentration of Uranium and Plutonium in Q6 78?

Date	Sample	233/236	238/236	IC conc. of U, mg/g	239/242	244/242	IC conc. of Pu, μg/g
10.1987	A 101						
	121	1.02018	1.11369		1.01320	0.39015	
	122	1.02089	1.11370		1.01174	0.39031	
	131	1.01707	0.90169	1.02611	0.89327	0.38952	6.5424
10.1987	132	1.01774	0.90169	1.02539	0.89359	0.38960	6.5380
	A 110						
	221	1.01860	1.31634		1.19522	0.39074	
	222	1.01698	1.31802		1.19864	0.38976	
01.1988	231	1.01720	1.05333	1.02689	1.00928	0.38995	6.5382
	232	1.01753	1.05400	1.02601	1.00894	0.38999	6.5384
	A 120						
	321	1.01694	1.16204		1.05274	0.39073	
01.1988	322	1.02017	1.16018		1.05047	0.39109	
	331	1.01936	0.82567	1.02609	0.93821	0.38996	6.5316
	332	1.01885	0.82556	1.02657	0.93773	0.39001	6.5337
	Mean			1.02526			6.5372
	SD			0.00104			0.0039

Table 18  
The Characteristics of Qs 87 (Uranium)

Ratio	233/236	234/236	236/236	236/236	238/236
R <sub>u</sub>	+1.01762 -0.0005	+0.02778 ± 0.0003	+0.000967 ± 0.000010	1	+0.000796 -0.000010
Isotope	233	234	235	236	238
At. %	+49.709 -0.018	+1.3570 ± 0.0015	+0.0472 ± 0.0005	+48.848 ± 0.018	+0.0389 -0.0005
Concentration, mg/g	1.0263 ± 0.0006				

Table 19  
The Characteristics of QS 87 (Plutonium)

Ratio	238/241	239/242	240/242	241/242	241/241	244/242
R <sub>n</sub>	+0.00103 -0.00001	+0.000639 -0.000005	+0.04521 -0.00006	+0.001802 -0.000040	I	+0.39023 -0.00047
Isotope	238	239	240	241	242	244
At. %	+0.0716 -0.0004	+0.0444 -0.0003	+3.142 -0.005	+0.1252 -0.0029	+69.497 -0.06	+27.120 -0.023
Concen- ration, μg/g						

Table 20  
Impurities, Expressed as Parts per Million, by Weight in QS 87 Solution  
Determined by Spectrographic Analysis

	Mn	Fe	Pb	Mg	Ca	Na	Si	B	K	Cr	
Al	1.4	0.8	1.7	0.13	0.27	1.5	4.3	42	0.4	0.71	0.16

ANNEX 4

**Certificate of Analysis  
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Certificate of Analysis  
Spike Solution for Isotopic and  
Isotope Dilution Analysis  
of Uranium and Plutonium

SAL-9914 (QS 87)  
(Revision 1)

The atomic isotopic ratios of this spike are equal to

$^{233}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$  = 1.0174  $\pm$  0.0011  
 $^{234}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$  = 0.027775  $\pm$  0.000034  
 $^{235}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$  = 0.000960  $\pm$  0.000033  
 $^{238}\text{U}/^{236}\text{U}$  = 0.000791  $\pm$  0.000050

$^{238}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  = 0.001014  $\pm$  0.000016  
 $^{239}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  = 0.000562  $\pm$  0.000092  
 $^{240}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  = 0.001754  $\pm$  0.000026  
 $^{244}\text{Pu}/^{242}\text{Pu}$  = 0.39033  $\pm$  0.00082

This corresponds to the isotopic composition

Isotope	Atom %	Weight %
$^{233}\text{U}$	49.7043	49.3896
$^{234}\text{U}$	1.3569	1.3541
$^{235}\text{U}$	0.0469	0.0470
$^{236}\text{U}$	48.8533	49.1701
$^{238}\text{U}$	0.0386	0.0392
$^{238}\text{Pu}$	0.0705	0.0692
$^{239}\text{Pu}$	0.0389	0.0384
$^{240}\text{Pu}$	3.1413	3.1091
$^{241}\text{Pu}$	0.1219	0.1212
$^{242}\text{Pu}$	69.4998	69.3635
$^{244}\text{Pu}$	27.1276	27.2986

The atomic weight of the mixture is

U Atomic Wt = 234.5246

Pu Atomic Wt = 242.5346

The chemical concentrations of the major isotopes of the spike are

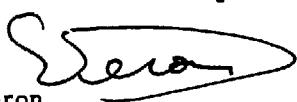
$^{236}\text{U}$  = (504.42  $\pm$  0.51) /ug/g  $\pm$  0.51  
 $^{242}\text{Pu}$  = (4.536  $\pm$  0.015) /ug/g  $\pm$  0.015

All above values are valid for 1988-06-01.

- (1) The Spike SAL 9914 (QS87) is intended to be used for isotopic and/or isotope dilution analyses of uranium and plutonium with internal standard correction of mass fractionation effects.
- (2) This material was prepared by the Khlopin Radium Institute in Leningrad.
- (3) The composition quoted in this certificate is based on mass spectrometric analyses performed at the Khlopin Radium Institute in Leningrad (USSR), the Service d' Etudes Analytiques in the Centre d'Etudes Nucléaires de Saclay (France), the Bundesanstalt für Material Prüfung (West Berlin), and the Safeguards Analytical Laboratory of the International Atomic Energy Agency.
- (4) These measurements were calibrated against NBS-500, FCO-2702-83, FCO-2704-83, NBS947, NBS960, MUL, NBS949 and MP1/EC 201 isotopic and chemical reference materials.
- (5) The Confidence Limits were calculated by propagating the variances of the random errors of mass spectrometric measurements, chemical treatments and between laboratory effects as well as the common calibration errors. They are expressed for a 95% confidence level ( $2\sigma$ ).
- (6) The statistical evaluation of the measurements was performed by S. Deron and H. Aigner following a model derived by J. Jaech. It is described in the report SAL-IR/23/89 of October 1989.
- (7) The calculations used the following physical constants

Isotope	Atomic Mass	Half life (in years)
$^{233}\text{U}$	233.03963	(1.529 $\pm$ .002) 10 <sup>5</sup>
$^{234}\text{U}$	234.04095	(2.457 $\pm$ .003) 10 <sup>5</sup>
$^{235}\text{U}$	235.04392	(7.037 $\pm$ .007) 10 <sup>5</sup>
$^{236}\text{U}$	236.04556	(2.342 $\pm$ .001) 10 <sup>7</sup>
$^{238}\text{U}$	238.05079	(4.469 $\pm$ .001) 10 <sup>9</sup>
$^{238}\text{pu}$	238.04956	(8.774 $\pm$ .009) 10 <sup>1</sup>
$^{239}\text{pu}$	239.05216	(2.411 $\pm$ .003) 10 <sup>4</sup>
$^{240}\text{pu}$	240.05381	(6.55 $\pm$ .02) 10 <sup>3</sup>
$^{241}\text{pu}$	241.05685	(1.44 $\pm$ .02) 10 <sup>1</sup>
$^{242}\text{pu}$	242.05874	(3.76 $\pm$ .02) 10 <sup>5</sup>
$^{244}\text{pu}$	244.06420	(8.2 $\pm$ .1) 10 <sup>7</sup>

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ANNEX 5

Results of IDMS  
Analyses of Spent Fuel Solutions  
using QS 87 as Spike  
and Internal Standard

**Results of IDMS Analyses of Spent Fuel Solutions  
using SAL-9914 (QS87) as Spike and Internal Standards**

<b>Series</b>	<b>Sample</b>	<b>Pu</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>Pu/U</b>
2218	1	6.5991	689.89	0.95654
		6.6065	689.94	0.95755
2229	1	7.5564	803.72	0.94018
		7.5542	802.86	0.94091
2230	3	6.2276	690.07	0.902460
		6.2196	690.41	0.900778
2229	1	6.2164	679.03	0.91548
		6.2183	678.50	0.91648
	2	7.3909	790.47	0.935000
		7.3903	790.71	0.93464
	3	6.8647	788.68	0.87040
		6.8699	788.55	0.87121
	4	7.7875	876.06	0.88892
		7.7923	876.60	0.88892
	5	8.7213	939.47	0.92832
		8.7145	939.27	0.92779
2229	2	7.3730	835.02	0.88297
		7.3677	834.72	0.88266
2233	1	6.8200	745.33	0.91503
		6.8213	745.83	0.91459
	2	6.6591	729.86	0.91238
		6.6671	730.84	0.91225
2252	1	6.7189	753.15	0.89211
		6.7226	753.38	0.89233
	2	7.1345	771.67	0.92455
		7.1330	771.67	0.92436
2254	1	5.9481	640.69	0.92839
		5.9470	640.61	0.92833
	2	6.8300	709.27	0.96296
		6.8292	709.64	0.96235
	3	6.9731	772.05	0.90319
		6.9797	772.67	0.90332

Series	Sample	Pu	U	Pu/U
2255	1	6.2549 6.2561	686.17 686.47	0.91157 0.91134
2256	1	6.9530 6.9524	806.73 806.57	0.86187 0.86197
	3	6.9788 6.9832	775.25 775.69	0.90020 0.90026
	4	6.6076 6.6099	707.82 707.87	0.93351 0.93377
2256	2	22.811 22.843	0.220499 0.220450	102.452 103.620
2259	1	5.7807 5.7756	593.17 592.60	0.97454 0.97462
2260	1	6.8506 6.8497	407.26 407.27	1.68212 1.68186
	2	6.0196 6.0121	710.08 708.84	0.84774 0.84816
2262	1	7.1564 7.1657	763.59 764.29	0.93720 0.93756
2486	1	0.173902 0.173868	12.3153 12.3164	1.41208 1.41168
2571	1	9.4453 9.4628	0.100198 0.100288	0.94266 0.94356
	2	9.7334 9.7531	0.102224 0.102348	0.95216 0.95294
	3	8.2461 8.2405	859.66 859.18	0.95923 0.95011
	4	2.3685 2.3669	250.97 250.81	0.94374 0.94371
<b>Intraclass Coeff. variation</b>		<b>0.062%</b>	<b>0.049%</b>	<b>0.047%</b>

Define the following coefficients of variation

U measurement error:	SIU
Pu measurement error:	SIP
Sample treatment error:	ST
Pu/U measurement error:	SPU
U analysis error:	SU
Pu analysis error:	SP

The following relationships applies

$$SU^2 = SIU^2 + ST^2 = 0.049^2$$

$$SP^2 = SIP^2 + ST^2 = 0.062^2$$

$$SPU^2 = SU^2 + SIP^2 = 0.047^2$$

Thus

$$ST = 1/2 \left[ SU^2 + SP^2 - SPU^2 \right]^{1/2} = 0.045\%$$

$$SIU = \left[ SU^2 - ST^2 \right]^{1/2} = 0.019\%$$

$$SIP = \left[ SP^2 - ST^2 \right]^{1/2} = 0.043\%$$

ANNEX 6

Analysis of Variance  
and Propagation of Errors  
used for the Certification  
of QS 87

(J. Jaech)

Model:

$\mu$  = true value  
 $A_i$  = deviation from  $\mu$  for lab (or method)  $i$ ;  
 $i = 1, 2, \dots, R$   
 $B_{j(i)}$  = deviation from  $\mu$  for sample (or treatment)  $j$   
 within lab  $i$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots, L_i$   
 $C_{k(ij)}$  = deviation from  $\mu$  for measurement  $k$  within  
 sample  $j$  within lab  $i$ ;  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N_{ij}$

$$x_{ijk} = \mu + A_i + B_{j(i)} + C_{k(ij)}$$

How to estimate  $J_A^2, J_B^2, J_C^2$ :

Solve the 3 estimating equations

$$M_A = J_C^2 + P_1 J_B^2 + R_1 J_A^2$$

$$M_B = J_C^2 + P_2 J_B^2$$

$$M_C = J_C^2$$

$$\text{where } N_i = \sum_j N_{ij} \quad N = \sum_i N_i$$

$$F_A = R - 1$$

$$F_B = \sum_i L_i - R$$

$$F_C = \sum_{ij} N_{ij} - \sum_i L_i$$

$$T_{ij} = \sum_k x_{ijk}$$

$$S_0 = T^2/N$$

$$T_i = \sum_j T_{ij}$$

$$S_1 = \sum_i T_i^2 / N_i$$

$$T = \sum_i T_i$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{ij} T_{ij}^2 / N_{ij}$$

$$S_3 = \sum_{ijk} x_{ijk}^2$$

$$S_A = S_1 - A_0$$

$$M_A = S_A / F_A$$

$$S_B = S_3 - S_2$$

$$M_B = S_B / F_B$$

$$S_C = S_3 - S_1$$

$$M_C = S_C / F_C$$

$$G_i = (1/N_i - 1/N)/F_A$$

$$G_{ij} = (1/N_{ij} - 1/N_i)/F_B$$

$$P_1 = \sum_{ij} N_{ij}^2 G_i$$

$$P_2 = \sum_{ij} N_{ij}^2 G_{ij}$$

$$R_1 = \sum_i N_i^2 G_i$$

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$$\text{Lab Mean} = \bar{x}_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k x_{ijk}}{N_i} = \frac{T_i}{N_i}$$

$$\text{Best estimate} = \bar{x} = \frac{\sum_i w_i \bar{x}_i}{\sum_i w_i}$$

$$\bar{x}_i = \mu + A_i + \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k N_{ij} B_{j(i)}}{N_i} + \frac{\sum_k C_{k(ij)}}{N_i}$$

Example: (% Recovery - 100 NBS 949/d)

Lab Sample Meas	1	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6
	.03	.09	.45	-.10	-.18	.02	-.08	.06	.26	.09
	.10	.21	.23	-.05	-.21	-.10	-.10	.20	.14	-.06
	-.10	.09	.08	-.12	-.17	-.04	.01	.23	.31	-.10
	-.08			-.01	-.23	.00	-.09	.07		.02
				-.07	-.19	-.03	-.07			.04
							-.04	.01		

R = 6	N <sub>11</sub> = 4	N <sub>51</sub> = 4	N <sub>1</sub> = 4	F <sub>A</sub> = 5
L <sub>1</sub> = 1	N <sub>21</sub> = 3	N <sub>52</sub> = 3	N <sub>2</sub> = 6	
L <sub>2</sub> = 2	N <sub>22</sub> = 3	N <sub>61</sub> = 5	N <sub>3</sub> = 10	F <sub>B</sub> = 10-6 = 4
L <sub>3</sub> = 2	N <sub>31</sub> = 5		N <sub>4</sub> = 12	
L <sub>4</sub> = 2	N <sub>32</sub> = 5		N <sub>5</sub> = 7	F <sub>C</sub> = 44-10 = 34
			N <sub>6</sub> = 5	

N = 44

T <sub>11</sub> = -.05	T <sub>51</sub> = .56	T <sub>1</sub> = -.05	T = 0.52
T <sub>21</sub> = .39	T <sub>52</sub> = .71	T <sub>2</sub> = 1.15	
T <sub>22</sub> = .76	T <sub>61</sub> = -.01	T <sub>3</sub> = -1.33	S <sub>0</sub> = 0.006145
T <sub>31</sub> = -.35		T <sub>4</sub> = -.51	
T <sub>32</sub> = -.98		T <sub>5</sub> = 1.27	S <sub>1</sub> = 0.650041
T <sub>41</sub> = -.19		T <sub>6</sub> = -.01	
T <sub>42</sub> = -.32			S <sub>2</sub> = 0.729975
			S <sub>3</sub> = 0.928200

S <sub>A</sub> = 0.643896	M <sub>A</sub> = 0.128779
S <sub>B</sub> = 0.079934	M <sub>B</sub> = 0.019984
S <sub>C</sub> = 0.198225	M <sub>C</sub> = 0.005830

G <sub>1</sub> = 0.045455	G <sub>11</sub> = 0	G <sub>51</sub> = 0.026786	
G <sub>2</sub> = 0.028788	G <sub>21</sub> = 0.041667		G <sub>52</sub> = 0.047619
G <sub>3</sub> = 0.015455	G <sub>22</sub> = 0.041667		G <sub>61</sub> = 0
G <sub>4</sub> = 0.012121	G <sub>31</sub> = 0.025		
G <sub>5</sub> = 0.024026	G <sub>32</sub> = 0.025		
G <sub>6</sub> = 0.035455	G <sub>41</sub> = 0.020833		
	G <sub>42</sub> = 0.020833		

## A6-3

$$P_1 = 3.6507 \quad 0.128779 = \sigma_C^2 + 3.6507 \sigma_B^2 + 7.1182 \sigma_A^2$$

$$P_2 = 4.3571 \quad 0.019984 = \sigma_C^2 + 4.3571 \sigma_B^2$$

$$0.005830 = \sigma_C^2$$

$$R_1 = 7.1182 \quad \sigma_C^2 = 0.005830$$

$$\sigma_C^2 = 0.003248$$

$$\sigma_C^2 = 0.015607$$

$$\bar{x}_1 = -0.0125 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_1}^{-2} = \sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{4} = 0.020313$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = 0.1917 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_2}^{-2} = \sigma_A^2 + \frac{18}{36} + \sigma_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{6} = 0.018203$$

$$\bar{x}_3 = -0.1330 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_3}^{-2} = \sigma_A^2 + \frac{50}{100} \sigma_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{10} = 0.017814$$

$$\bar{x}_4 = -0.0425 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_4}^{-2} = \sigma_A^2 + \frac{72}{144} \sigma_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{12} = 0.017717$$

$$\bar{x}_5 = 0.1814 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_5}^{-2} = \sigma_A^2 + \frac{25}{49} \sigma_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{07} = 0.018097$$

$$\bar{x}_6 = -0.0020 \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}_6}^{-2} = s_A^2 + s_B^2 + \frac{\sigma_C^2}{5} = 0.020021$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{(49.23)(-.0125) + \dots + (49.95)(-.0020)}{321.96} = 0.0310$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}}^{-2} = (321.96)^{-1} = 0.003106$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}}^2 = 0.0557$$

$$w_1 = 49.23$$

$$w_2 = 54.94$$

$$w_3 = 56.14$$

$$w_4 = 56.44$$

$$w_5 = 55.26$$

$$w_6 = \frac{49.95}{321.96}$$

Weighted Means  
And Degrees Of Freedom

$$\bar{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sum_i w_i \bar{x}_i}{\sum_i w_i}$$

$$w_i = \frac{1}{s_i^2}$$

$$s_i^2 = s_A^2 + s_B^2 \frac{\sum_{j=1}^i N_{ij}^2}{N_i^2} + \frac{s_C^2}{N_i}$$

$$s^2 = \gamma_A s_A^2 + \gamma_B s_B^2 + \gamma_C s_C^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_i w_i}$$

$$\gamma_A = \frac{\sum_i w_i^2}{(\sum_i w_i)^2}$$

$$\gamma_B = \frac{\sum_i w_i^2 (\sum_{j=1}^i N_{ij}^2 / N_i^2)}{(\sum_i w_i)^2}$$

$$\gamma_C = \frac{\sum_i (w_i^2 / N_i)}{(\sum_i w_i)^2}$$

If  $s_A^2$ ,  $s_B^2$  have negative estimates, set  $s_A$  or  $s_B = 0$

$$DF = \frac{\sum_1^i a_{11} s_{11}^2}{\sum_1^i \frac{a_{11}^2 s_{11}^4}{DF_1}}$$

(1 = A, B, C)