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<u>Technical Meeting on State-of-the-art</u> <u>Thermal Hydraulics of Fast Reactors</u> <u>26-30 September 2022</u>

IAEA Activities on Fast Reactor Technology Development

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IAEA Member State Activities on Fast Reactors



Country	Recent Milestone					
Russia	SFRs in operation: BOR-60 (experimental), BN-600 (prototype), BN-800 (industrial) Design/development: BN-1200 (SFR); SVBR-100 (LBE LFR) Under Construction: MBIR (experimental SFR); BREST-OD-300 (prototype LFR)					
China	SFRs in operation: CEFR (2011, 20MWe) Design/development: SFRs: CFR-1000; LFR SMRs: CLEAR-M10D, CLFR-300 Under Construction: CFR-600 (2 units)					
India	SFRs in operation: FBTR (13MWe); under commissioning: PFBR (500MWe)					
EU	Design/development: ESFR (EU), LFR ALFRED (Romania, Italy), GFR ALLEGRO (Czech Rep., Hungary, Poland, Slovakia), MSR SAMOSAFER (EU)					
Belgium	Design/development: MYRRHA – LBE cooled ADS					
France	Design/development of Sodium-cooled Fast Reactors (ASTRID suspended), MSFR					
Japan	SFRs: Experimental Joyo (experimental, suspended); MONJU (under decommissioning)					
R. of Korea	Design/development: SFRs: KALIMER-600, PGSFR (suspended)					
UK/Sweden	Design/development: SEALER-UK					
USA	Design/development: SFRs: PRISM, Natrium, LLC ARC-100; Westinghouse LFR; GA GFR; MSFRs: KP-FHR, MCFR; VTR (research SFR, under development)					
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Fast Reactors in Operation, and under Construction and Decommissioning



Country		Typ e	coolant	Purpose	Power (th/e) MW	Year (Op.)	Status
	BOR-60	SFR	sodium	experimental	60/10	1969	operating
	BN-600	SFR	sodium	prototype	1470/600	1980	operating
Russia	BN-800	SFR	sodium	industrial	2100/880	2015	operating
	MBIR	SFR	sodium	experimental	150/50	~2028	construction
	BREST-OD-300	LFR	lead	Gen-IV, demonstrator	700/300	~2026	construction
China	CEFR	SFR	sodium	prototype	80/20	2011	operating
China	CFR600 x2	SFR	sodium	prototype	1500/600	~2025	construction (2 units)
India	FBTR	SFR	sodium	experimental	40/-	1985	operating
mula	PFBR	SFR	sodium	demonstrator	1250/500	?2022	comissioning
lanan	MONJU	SFR	sodium	prototype	714/280	1994	decomissioning
Japan	JOYO	SFR	sodium	experimental	140/	1978	license renew

Fast Reactors under Developing and Design



Country	Name	Туре	coolant	Purpose	Power (th/e), MW	Status
Russia	BN-1200	SFR	sodium	Gen-IV, industrial	2900/1220	design
	SVBR-100	LFR	LBE	prototype	280/100	design
	MOSART	MSR	molten salt	prototype	2400/	concept
	CFR1000	SFR	sodium	Gen-IV, industrial	2512/1000	design
	CLFR-300	LFR	LBE/lead	demonstrator	740/300	concept
China	CLEAR-M10a	LFR	LBE	experimental	10/1-3	concept
	CLEAR-I	LFR	LBE	experimental	10/-	design
	CLEAR-M10d	LFR	lead	demonstrator	25/10	concept
	ALFRED	LFR	lead	Gen-IV, prototype	300/120	design
EU	ALLEGRO	GFR	helium	Gen-IV, demonstrator	75/-	design
	MSFR	MSR	molten salt (LiF-AFn)	Gen-IV, prototype	3000/	concept
Belgium	MYRRHA	LFR ADS	LBE	experimental	100/-	design
France	ASTRID	SFR	sodium	demonstrator	1500/600	suspended
R. of Korea	KALIMER-600	SFR	sodium	GEN-IV, prototype	1523/600	design
N. OI KOICa	PGSFR	SFR	sodium	GEN-IV, demonstrator	400/150	suspended
UK/Sweden	SEALER-UK	LFR	lead	demonstrator	140/55	design
USA	Westinghouse LFR	LFR	lead	demonstrator	950/460	design
	NATRIUM	SFR	sodium	demonstrator	1000/345-500	design
	VTR	SFR	sodium	experimental	300/-	design
	SSTAR	LFR	lead	experimental	45/20	supended
	MCFR	MSR	chloride salt	experimental	1800/800	design
	EM2	GFR	helium	demonstrator	500/265	concept
	KP-FHR	MSR	fluoride salt	demonstrator	310/140	concept
	PRISM	SFR	sodium	demonstrator	840/311	concept
	LLC ARC-100	SFR	sodium	demonstrator	260/110	concept

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Main IAEA Activities on Fast Reactor Technology







Knowledge Sharing

Publications Conferences TMs



Technology Development

Coordinated Research Projects (CRPs)



Capacity Building

Training Courses Workshops TECDOCs



IAEA Technical Working Group on Fast Reactors (TWG-FR) New Term: 2022 - 2025





- Provide advice and guidance
- Forum for information exchange and knowledge sharing
- Link between IAEA activities and national communities
- Provide advice in planning and implementing of CRPs
- Develop and review selected documents
- Contribute to status report, technical meetings, topical conferences
- Identify important topics for SAGNE
- Encourage participation of young professionals in IAEA activities

Members of the IAEA Technical Working Group on Fast Reactors				
Members				
Argentina	Belgium			
China	Czech Republic			
France	Germany			
India	Italy			
Japan	Kazakhstan			
Korea, republic of	Mexico			
Netherlands	Romania			
Russian Federation	Sweden			
Switzerland	UK			
Ukraine	USA			

Observers							
European Commission/JRC	OECD/NEA						
Generation-IV International							
Forum (GIF) From 2022: N	MSs as members; IOs as observers						

53rd TWG-FR Meeting: **17-20 Nov 2020 (virtual)**

54th TWG-FR Meeting: 22-25 June 2021 (virtual)

55th TWG-FR Meeting: 23-27 May 2022 (Hybrid)

Fast Reactor Technology Development Team



Main IAEA Activities on Fast Reactor Technology in 2021 - 2022



CRPs/Benchmarks/Studies

- Completed
 - NAPRO (2013 2018, in publishing)
 - PSFR Source Term (2016 2020, just published)
- 3 Ongoing CRPs:
 - CEFR Start-Up Tests (2018 2022)
 - FFTF ULOF Test (2018 2022)
 - NACIE (2022-2026): Benchmark of Transition from Forced to Natural Circulation Experiment with Heavy Liquid Metal Loop
- New CRPs proposals (to start in 2023+):
 - PLANDTL: PLANt Dynamics Test Loop Decay Heat Removal Thermal Hydraulics Tests
 - Modelling of Total Instantaneous Blockage of SFR F/A (Delayed)
 - Benchmarking LOF transient test in CLEAR-S HML Pool Facility (Delayed)
 - Benchmark Analysis of **STELLA-2** LOHS/LOF Tests
 - Thermal-hydraulic simulations of a high temperature helium facility S Allegro
- Benefits and Challenges of Fast SMRs (published in 2021)
- Structural Materials for HLM Reactors (published in 2021)
- TM on Development and Application of Open-Source Modelling and Simulation Tools for nuclear Reactors (June 2022)
- TM on State-of-the-art Thermal Hydraulics of Fast Reactors: ENEA Brasimone in September 2022

- Technical Working Group on Fast Reactors
 - 54th TWG-FR Meeting (Virtual), June 2021
 - 55th TWG-FR Meeting (Hybrid), May 2022
- Joint IAEA-GIF Workshops on LMFR Safety
 - 9th GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety (2021)
 - 10th GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety (2022)
- Basic Principles SFR Simulator
 - Factory Acceptance Test: 2021
 - Site Factory Acceptance Test: Jan 2022
 - Distribution to Member States: 2022
 - Training Course: 2022
- Training Courses and Workshops
 - Joint ICTP-IAEA Workshops on the Physics and Technology of Innovative Nuclear Energy Systems Trieste; December 2022
 - Regional Workshop on Advances in Modelling & Simulation of Thermal Hydraulics in LMFRs, India, November 2022
- Webinars
 - Repurposing sites of retired fossil plants with advanced nuclear reactors for clean energy transition; May 2022, available online
 - Multi-physics modelling and simulation of nuclear reactors using OpenFOAM (12 Lectures), Aug-Oct 2022, available online

IAEA Conference on Fast Reactors and Related Fuel Cycles FR22







International Conference on **FAST REACTORS AND RELATED FUEL CYCLES:** Sustainable Clean Energy for the Future



Vienna 19-22 April 2022

Track 1. Innovative fast reactor designs Track 2. Fast reactor safety Track 3. Fuels, fuel cycles and waste management Track 4. Fast reactor coolants, structures, and components Track 5. Test facilities and experiments Track 6. Modelling, simulations and digitalization Track 7. Sustainability: Economics, environment and proliferation Track 8. Commissioning, Operation and Decommissioning Track 9. Education, professional development and knowledge management

and Special Session on IAEA ongoing CRPs

FR22: **365** Contributions **680** Registered participants ~120 in-person

FR22 Proceedings in preparation, expected Q1 2023

International Conference on

FAST REACTORS AND

Sustainable Scenarios

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FR13

RELATED FUEL CYCLES: Safe Technologies and

IAEA Coordinated Research Projects on FRs





CRP on Radioactive Release from Prototype SFR under Severe Accident Conditions (2016-2020): **Summary**



Reference design for the safety analysis: 500 MW(e) pool type PFBR

- > 1st RCM: Vienna, May 2016
- > 2nd RCM: IGCAR, November 2017
- > 3rd RCM: Vienna, April 2019
- > 4th RCM: Vienna, February 2020

CRP on "Radioactive Release from the PSFR under Severe Accident Conditions"

Canada (UOIT)	China (CIAE, NCEPU, XJTU)
France (IRSN , CEA)	Germany, (KIT)
India, IGCAR	Korea, Republic of, KAERI
Russia (IPPE , IBRAE)	Spain (CIEMAT)
Japan (NRA , JAEA)	US (TerraPower)

New Participant

- Japan JAEA joined in 2019 (SIMMER-IV code)
 - CRP is completed
 - TECDOC is published:

https://wwwpub.iaea.org/MTCD/publi cations/PDF/TE-2006web.pdf

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CRP on Radioactive Release from Prototype SFR under Severe Accident Conditions (2016- 2020)

CDA development and propagation in pool type SFR



Reference design for the safety analysis: 500 MWe pool type PFBR

Very complicated multi-physics phenomenon Can be a Standard Benchmark for Verification of Safety Analysis Codes and Models

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III. Containment Source Term

- Evaluation of multi-component aerosol evolution is required
- Two typical sodium fire accidents:
- sodium pool fire accident
- sodium spray fire accident

CRP on Radioactive Release from Prototype SFR under Severe Accident Conditions (2016-2020): Expansion Phase

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CRP: Benchmark Analysis of FFTF Loss of Flow Without Scram Test

- FFTF (Fast Flux Test Facility) Reactor:
 - 400 MW_{th} sodium cooled fast test reactor
 - Mixed UO_2 -Pu O_2 (MOX) fuel
 - Loop type plant, axial and radial reflectors
 - Prototypic size
 - ~1m³ core volume
 - ~91 cm high, ~120 cm diameter
 - Built to assist development and testing of advanced fuels and materials for fast breeder reactors
 - Series of Passive Safety Tests performed in 1986
 - Unprotected transients including 13 Loss of Flow without scram tests
 - Demonstrated passive safety of SFRs
 - Demonstrated efficacy of negative reactivity insertion safety devises (Gas expansion modules - GEMs)
 - This Benchmark analysis is based on the Test number 13, which was initiated at 50 % power and 100 % flow.







CRP: Benchmark Analysis of FFTF Loss of Flow Without Scram Test

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Aim of the Benchmark:

• Support collaborative efforts within international partnerships on the validation of simulation tools and models in the area of SFR safety.

Outcomes:

- Improved understanding of loss of flow events in fast reactors and validation of the state-of the-art fast reactor analysis computer codes against the experimental data;
- Improved understanding of fast reactor neutronics, thermal-hydraulics, and system analysis;
- Improved understanding of the methodology employed to simulate fast reactor transient behaviour;
- Improved verification, validation, and qualification of the methodology;
- Reduced uncertainty in SFR codes, which will contribute to reducing costs of building liquid metal cooled fast reactors;
- Enhanced reliability of the behaviour predictions for new advanced reactor designs;
- Facilitated training of the young generation of reactor physicists; and
- Identified additional research and development work needed to resolve open issues.

Country	Organization
China	CIAE
China	INEST
China	NCEPU
China	XJTU
France	CEA
Germany	HZDR
Germany	KIT
India	IGCAR
Italy	NINE
Italy	Sapienza Uni of Rome
Japan	JAEA
Korea, Rep. of	KAERI
Netherlands	NRG
Russia	IBRAE
Russia	IPPE
Spain	CIEMAT
Sweden	KTH
Switzerland	EPFL
Switzerland	PSI
United States	ANL
United States	NRC
United States	PNNL
United States	TAMU
United States	TerraPower

24 Participating Organizations from 13 Countries

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CRP: Benchmark Analysis of FFTF Loss of Flow Without Scram Test





CRP: Neutronics Benchmark of CEFR Start-Up Tests



CEFR (China Experimental Fast Reactor)

- Located in China Institute of Atomic Energy
- 65MWt (20MWe) sodium cooled fast reactor with a high neutron leakage core fuelled with uranium oxide and stainless-steel radial reflector.
- The primary system is a pool-type design, liquid sodium working fluid for the primary and secondary circuits.
- In 2010, CEFR went into first criticality.
- A series of start-up experiments were carried out to measure reactor physics and kinetics parameters.
- 6 experiments were selected for benchmark
 analysis
 - evaluations of the criticality, control rod worth, sodium void worth, temperature effect reactivity, and various reaction rates.
- This CRP provides an excellent opportunity to the member states for validation of the physical models and neutronics simulation codes by comparing the calculated results to the recorded experimental data from the CEFR start-up tests.



CEFR Reactor Block



China Experimental Fast Reactor Plant



Neutron source(1)
Fuel(79)
Safety rods(3)
Regulatory rods(2)
Shim rods(3)
Stainless steel(2)
Stainless steel(37)
Stainless steel(132)
Stainless steel(223)
B4C shielding(230)

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CRP: Neutronics Benchmark of CEFR Start-Up Tests





WP1. Net criticality



Country	Organization
Belgium	SCK•CEN
China	CIAE
China	INEST (FDS)
China	SNERDI
China	XJTU
Finland	VTT
France	CEA
Germany	HZDR
Germany	GRS
Germany	KIT
Hungary	BME
Hungary	CER
India	IGCAR
Italy	NINE
Italy	UNIPI
Japan	JAEA
Korea, Rep. of	KAERI
Korea, Rep. of	UNIST
Mexico	ININ
Romania	RATEN-ICN
Russia	IBRAE
Russia	IPPE
Russia	SSL
Russia	Kurchatov Ins. (NRCKI)
Slovakia	VUJE
Switzerland	PSI
Ukraine	KIPT
UK	Un. of Cambridge
United States	ANL
United States	NRC

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30 Participating Organizations from 18 Countries

CRP: Neutronics Benchmark of CEFR Start-Up Tests



CRP: Neutronics Benchmark of CEFR Start-Up Tests Training Course Series

Training Course Series Documents

- Comprehensive Guidance and how-to perform MC simulations
- with SERPENT-2 and Open-MC
- Freely available IAEA Series of documents for capacity building
- Template for future CRP adaptations

Performing Neutronics Benchmark Calculations

- Intended for students or early career nuclear engineers.
- Can easily be implemented and used in classrooms.
- Also provides a valuable template for continuing benchmarking opportunities.

Finalized, under review Expected Publication: Q4 2022, Q1 2023



CRP: Benchmark of Transition from Forced to Natural Circulation Experiment with Heavy Liquid Metal Loop

- The Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA) proposed this CRP to TWG-FR 2020. ENEA operates the Natural Circulation Experiment Upgrade (NACIE-UP) facility:
 - Rectangular LBE flow loop
 - Containing a wire spaced 19 pin fuel pin simulator
 - Operating up to 250 kW for qualification and instrumentation testing.
- Objective: Validation of computational fluid dynamics (CFD), subchannel, and system analysis codes for heavy liquid metal systems.
- 22 proposals received
- 1st RCM 12-15 July 2022
- **TECDOC** publication Mid 2025





Technical Meetings on



State-of-the-art Thermal Hydraulics of Fast Reactors & Development and Application of Open Source Modelling

and Simulation Tools for Nuclear Reactors

Technical Meeting on State-of-the-art Thermal Hydraulics of Fast Reactors



26-30 September 2022 C.R. ENEA, Lago Brasimone, Italy

Technical Meeting on the Development and Application of Open-Source Modelling and Simulation Tools for Nuclear Reactors

20-24 June 2022 Milano, Italy



Technical Meeting on **Development and Application of Open-Source Modelling and Simulation Tools for Nuclear Reactors (ONCORE)**

- Creating a common platform in the area of advanced reactor experiments and high-fidelity multi-physics nuclear simulation techniques for open-source code development and validation
- Links to 35+ Open source tools
 - Neutronics
 - Thermal-hydraulics, system analysis, containment
 - Structural mechanics
 - Multi-physics applications and libraries
 - Data processing, optimization, UQ, pre-post processing
 - Application frameworks
- 2 tools hosted and distributed by ONCORE
 - VSOP99/11: HTR pebble-type design and safety analysis
 - STACY: V/HTR safety analyses for the quantification of fission product release from the fuel
- TM on ONCORE 20-24 June 2022 in Milano
 - ~100 participants (50% online)





Fast Reactors Safety: Joint GIF-IAEA Workshops on Safety of LMFRs



1st : June 2010 2nd : Dec 2011 3rd : Feb. 2013

4th : June 2014 5th : June 2015

6th : Nov. 2016

A decade of cooperation

7th Joint GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety **March 2018**

8th GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety

20-22 March 2019

9th GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety

30 March - 01 April 2021

- Review of GIF Report on "Safety Design Guidelines on • Structures, Systems and Components for Gen-IV SFRs"
 - Discussion of review comments

10th GIF-IAEA Workshop on LMFR Safety

28 June – 1 July 2022

Organized by NSNI

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pro EDRL has been held since 2010. The first joint IADA-GIF SFR workshop, toled attained and Safety Aspects of Sodium-Casted Fast Reactors' was held on 23-25 june 1010 or the IAEA building the

ng the efforts being part in this direction since them, the fifth joint IREA-GP Meeting/Mortschap an "Safety of Edular-Cashel Face Reacons" was held an 22-015. The main purpose of the Technical Meeting/Meeting was to present and a Lipdated SFR SDC/SDC and Related Activities; (i) implementation of SDC by we SPRs Centents; and it's Safety Design Cuidelines on Specific



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2018-03-21

Dear Mr Nakai

Mr Rvodai Nakai

Chairman

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Thank you for your letter dated 4 April 2016 inviting the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to review the recent GIF report on "Safety Design Guidelines (SDG) on Safety Approach and Design Conditions for Generation IV Sodium-cooled Fast Reactor Systems (SFR)".

At the Sixth Joint IAEA-GIF Technical Meeting/Workshop on SFR Safety held on 14-15 November 2016, in Vienna the progress of the IAEA review of the report had been reported and preliminary comments prepared by the IAEA staff were presented to the GIF participants and liscussed. In addition, a broad discussion of the GIF SDG report had been conducted during the dedicated panel discussion "Development and Standardization of Safety Design Criteria (SDC) and Guidelines (SDG) for Sodium Cooled Fast Reactors" that was organized during the IAEA International Conference on Fast Reactors and Related Fuel Cycles (FR17) in June 2017. After a final thorough analysis of the report, the IAEA comments have been revised and summarized in the attached document

I hope our comments will contribute to the GIF activity on the safety of sodium-cooled fast reactors and promote the development of the innovative fast reactor technologies in GIF countries and worldwide.

Yours sincerely

al Mikhail Chudake Deputy Director General Head of the Department of Nuclear Energy

Joint ICTP-IAEA Workshops on Innovative Nuclear Energy Systems



- In 2016 and in August 2018 Trieste, Italy
- Contributed by NPTDS, INPRO, GIF, and other external experts

29 August - 2 September 2016

Miframare, Trieste

• Next Workshop: 12-16 December 2022



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SFR Educational Simulator



- Pool type sodium cooled fast reactor simulator for education and training
- February 2021: Factory
 Acceptance Tests
- January 2022: Site Acceptance Test
- 2022: Distribution to Member States





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Fast Reactors: Main Events and Activities in 2022



Date	Title	Location
Apr 2022	International Conference on Fast Reactors and Related Fuel Cycles (FR22)	Vienna
May 2022	55 th Meeting of TWG-FR	Vienna
Jun 2022	10 th Joint IAEA–GIF Workshops on LMFR Safety (organized by NS)	Brasimone, IT
Jun 2022	TM on ONCORE (Development and Application of Multi-Physics Modelling and Simulation on Nuclear Reactor Using Open Source Tools)	Milano, IT
Jul 2022	1 st RCM of CRP on Lead Flow Transient to Natural Circulation at NACIE Facility	Brasimone, IT
Sep 2022	TM on State-of-the-art Fast Reactor Thermal Hydraulics: TM was planned in 2021	Brasimone, IT
Nov-Dec 2022	Regional WS on Advances in Modelling & Simulation of T-H in LMFRs	GNCEP, India
Nov 2022	4 th RCM of CRP on Neutronics Benchmark of CEFR Start-Up Tests	Vienna
Nov 2022	3rd RCM of CRP on Benchmark Analysis of FFTF ULOF Test	Lucca, IT
Dec 2022	Joint ICTP-IAEA Workshops on Physics and Technology of Innovative NESs	Trieste, Italy
2022	Training Course on PC-based SFR Simulator for Educational Purposes	Vienna





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