

Construction and Performance of the Whole Body Counter at Nagasaki University

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In April 1968, a low-level whole body counter was built at Nagasaki University. A major effort has been made toward reducing the background to a very low level and producing a reasonably uniform response.

Data are as follows:

Monitoring room
Inside dimension L-260, W-140, H-210 (cm)
Shielding Fe-200, Pb-3, Plastics-3 (mm)

Detectors
Detector number 2
NaI(Tl) 8"φ×4" A light pipe of inactive NaI
(8'φ×3") seperates the active crystal from the phototube.

Basic ancillary equipment
Analyzer 400 channel pulse height analyzer
Read out units typewriter, tape, X-Y plotter, 2 pen recorder

Methods

Stretcher, standard chair, 1 m arc, linear scanning

Background index
$$= \frac{\text{Integral background (0.1~2.0 MeV)}}{\text{Total crystal volume}} = 0.27$$

Calibration data
Technique stretcher method
Radionuclide ⁴⁰K ¹³⁷Cs
Energy band (MeV)
1.35~1.57 0.57~0.75
Net background (cpm)
62.7 194.3
Net pulse rate
0.94 cpm/gk 1.38×10⁴ cpm/μCi
Spectrometric resolution (in vivo)
6.2% 9.5%

Other some features
1. Double scanning
2. Scanning speed control
program method
live time scanning
3. Geometrical mean value recording

A New Design of 5" Whole Body Scanner

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Comparing with the scintillation camera, the scintiscanner needs a long time to produce a scintigram of certain definite area, but, it has the advantage that is the capability to enlarge its scanning area to necesitive size, if, it is given a suitable mechanical construction.

A new disigned 5" twin-head whole body scanner is able to perform whole body scan-

ning efficiently with a high delecting sensitivity and extremely high scanning speed.

It has peculiar mechanical construction to conform to high speed wide scanning, that is the two detectors are supported oppositely by upper and lower arms of the carriage. The carriage make possible vary its arm height for adjusting upper detector height. A treatment