#### **RDCH 702 Lecture 7: Radiation Reactions: Dosimetry and Hot Atom Chemistry**

- Readings:
  - Reading: Modern Nuclear Chemistry, Chap. 17; Nuclear and Radiochemistry, Chap. 6, Chap 11.C.
- Interaction of radiation with matter
  - Neutron, positive ions, electrons, photons
- Dosimetry
- Radiation Protection
- Hot Atom Chemistry

Effect in biological systems Radicals are formed by the interaction of radiation with water

**Radicals drive reactions** 



### **Interaction of Radiation with Matter**

- Interaction of radiation with matter leads to:
  - dissociation of molecules
  - excitation of atoms or molecules
  - ionization of atoms or molecules
- Ionization is easily measured
  - used for detection
- In air about 35 eV of energy are dissipated for each ion pair formed
- Other gases
- Xe: 21.9 eV, He: 43 eV, NH3: 39 eV (IP = 10.8 eV), Ge: 2.9 eV
  - Radiation detected by interaction with matter
  - Interactions <u>ultimately</u> have the same effect
    - → (35 ev/ion pair formation)
  - Measure total number of ions produced to determine energy

#### **Energy Loss Overview**

- 1. At sufficiently high energy ion is bare and energy loss is through electronic excitation and ionization of stopping material
- 2. At velocities comparable to the K-shell electron, ion begins to pick up electrons, stopping is still electronic
- 3. At velocities comparable to valence electrons elastic collisions account for energy loss
  - nuclear stopping
- No sharp difference point between methods 2 and 3
  - elastic and inelastic collisions

#### **Interaction with matter**

#### • Neutrons

- Very little interaction with electron, primary ionization is negligible
- Interaction confined to nuclear effect
  - → scattering (elastic and inelastic)
  - → reactions (n,γ), (n,p), (n,α), (n,2n)

 $\rightarrow$  fission

# **Positive Ions**

- Processes for energy loss
  - Chiefly by interactions with electrons
- Maximum velocity (v) imparted to electron is 2v
  - $K_E = 0.5mv^2; v = (K_E/0.5m)^2$ 
    - → Consider maximum energy from 6 MeV alpha to electron
    - → Average energy from ions to electrons is 100-200 eV
      - \* Secondary ionization
- Electronic stopping
  - inelastic collisions between bound electrons and ion
    - $\rightarrow$  Excitation of atomic electrons
- Nuclear stopping
  - velocity of ion close to velocity of valence electrons
  - elastic collisions dominate
- Velocity of the ion comparable to K shell electron, ion begins to pick up electrons
  - Ions passing through matter
    - → stripped of all orbital electrons whose orbital velocity is less than ion velocity

- Due to large mass of positive ion compared to electron
- distances that positive ions travel in matter are in narrow limits
  - Particle and energy dependent
  - Defined as range
- Large mass drives behavior
  - Fractional energy loss per collision is small
    - → large number of collisions required to stop ion
  - Deflection of ion in each collision is small
- Straggling is fluctuations in average energy loss and projected path
  - order of a few percent



Number of ions from a point source fn(distance)

## **Electrons**

- Energy loss
  - similar to that of positive ions
  - average ion pair formation about 35 eV in air
  - 70-80% of ionization is secondary
- Electron has less mass than positive ions
  - For the same energy, higher velocity
  - Lower stopping power
- Maximum at 146 eV (5950 ion pairs per mg/cm<sup>2</sup>)
- In air ionization stops around 12.5 eV
- Electron can lose a large fraction of energy in one collision
- Straggling is more pronounced
- Energy loss through electron interaction, nuclear scattering

#### **Electron Backscattering**

- Significant fraction of electrons may be reflected from scattering
- Reflected intensity increases with increasing thickness of reflector
  - Saturation can be achieved
- Ratio of measured activity beta source with reflector to that without reflector is back-scattering factor
- Factor varies with material
  - Used to determine Z of material



## **Photons**

- Lose most energy in a few interaction or a single interaction
- Need more material for interaction than electron
- Average specific ionization is less than electron (10%)
- Average energy loss per ion pair formation in air is 35 eV

#### **Photoelectric effect**

- photon with energy hv ejects bound electron and imparts energy hv-ɛb to electron
  - εb is electron binding energy
- Mostly K-shell, some L-shell (about 20%)
- Proportional to Z<sup>5</sup> of absorber
- For 5% photoelectric effect, γ energy needed for different Z
  - Al- 0.15 MeV
  - Cu-0.4 MeV
  - Sn-1.2 MeV
  - Pb-4.7 MeV



# Compton Effect

- Photon loss part of energy to electron
- Photon is scattered
- Minimum for scattered photon is  $(E'_{\gamma})_{\min} = \frac{E_o}{2} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{E_o}{2E_{\alpha}}}$

E<sub>o</sub>= electron rest energy Back scattering peak can be seen on spectra



# Pair Production

**Production of B<sup>+</sup> and B<sup>-</sup>** 

- Proportional to energy (log
   E about 4 MeV) and Z<sup>2</sup>
- More common at high energy
  - 511 keV from positronelectron annihilation





Radicals are formed by the interaction of radiation with water

**Radicals drive reactions** 

#### **Dosimetry**

- Quantitative relation between specific measurement in a radiation field and chemical and/or biological changes
  - dose effect relationship
  - caused by production of ionized molecules, atoms, secondary electrons
  - chemical changes, biological effects

### **Radiation Dose Units**

- Absorbed Dose
  - energy absorbed per unit mass of target for any kind of ionizing energy
  - **Gray (Gy) = 1J/kg**
  - in US; rad = 100 erg/g
  - IJ/kg = 10<sup>7</sup> erg/10<sup>3</sup> g = 10<sup>4</sup> erg/g
    100 rad=1 Gy
- Absorbed dose is referred to as dose
- Treated as point function, having a value at every position in an irradiated object
- 1 eV = 1.60E-19 J
- 1 charge pair separation =1.60E-19 C

### **Dose Equivalent**

- Absorbed dose needed to achieve biological effect is different for different types of radiation
  - Difference due to high versus low linear energy transfer (LET)
  - Dose equivalent compensates for this difference
  - H (dose equivalent) = QD
  - Q is dimensionless, has some different values
  - Q=fn(particle, energy); 1≤Q≤20
    - → Q from NCRP Report 116
  - uses LET (L) in keV/µm in water

Radiation	QF
X and γrays	1
<b>Electrons and Positrons</b>	1
Neutrons, E < 10 keV	3
Neutrons, E > 10 keV	10
Protons	1-10
Alpha Particles	1-20
Heavy Ions	20
Q Dependence of	on LET
LET (L)	Q
(kev/µm in water)	
<10	1
10-100	0.32L-2.2
>100	300/L^0.5

## **Dose Equivalent**

- When dose in Gy, dose equivalent is Sv
- When dose in rad, dose equivalent is rem (roentgenequivalent-man)
- 1 Gy = 100 rad, 1 Sv = 100 rem
- Particle type and energy should be explicitly considered
- Biological distribution can depend on isotope
  - I to thyroid
  - Sr, Ra to bone
  - Cs, H widely distributed
  - Metals go towards liver
  - Complexes can be released in kidneys
     → pH change

## **Radiation Protection**



fatal within days



#### **Dose Calculations**

- Alpha and Beta
- Absorbed dose: D = AE<sub>ave</sub>x1.6E-13J/MeVx1E3g/kg =1.6E-10AE<sub>ave</sub> (Gy/s)
- A = conc. Bq/g,
- E<sub>ave</sub>= average energy

Calculated dose of 1.2 E5 Bq of <sup>14</sup>C in 50 g of tissue  $\beta max of {}^{14}C is 0.156 MeV$   $E_{ave} \approx \beta_{max}/3 \approx 0.052 MeV$  A = 1.2 E5 Bq/50g D = 1.2 E5 Bq/50g x 0.052 MeV x 1.6E-10 = 20 nGy/sWhat does this value mean? Average background 6.24 mSv/year 2E-10 Sv/second= 0.2 nSv/s

### **More Dose Calculations**

- <u>Photons</u>
- μ/r is air energy absorption coefficient
- $= 0.0027 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg} \text{ for } 60 \text{ keV to } 2 \text{ MeV}$
- $D = 3.44E-17 CE/r_{\kappa}^{2}(Gy/s)$
- C in Bq, E in Met and r, distance from source, in m
- gamma energy needs to normalized to %
- Dose from 10000 Bq <sup>38</sup>S at 0.1 m
- 95 % gamma yield 1.88 MeV
- $D= 3.44E-17 \times 1E5 \times 1.88*0.95 / 0.1^2$
- D = 6.14E-10 Gy/s

Need to consider average gamma energy

CEμ

#### Probability Coefficients for Stochastic Effects

Detriment	Adult Workers	Whole Pop. (1F-2/Sv)
<b>Fatal Cancer</b>	(1L-2/5V) 4.0	(1L-2/SV) 5.0
Nonfatal Cancer	0.8	1.0
Severe genetic		
effects	0.8	1.3
TOTAL	5.6	7.3

What is probability of detriment from 2 mSv/y for 10 years to adult worker?
2E-3 Sv/y x 5.6E-2/Sv x 10 y = 1.1E-3

From maximum occupation dose for 30 years 50E-3 Sv/y x 5.6E-2/Sv x 30 y = 0.084

# **Biological Effects Concepts**

Гіте	Event
10 <sup>-18</sup> seconds	Absorption of Ionizing Radiation
10 <sup>-16</sup> seconds	Ionization, Excitation
10 <sup>-12</sup> seconds	Radical formation, bond breakage
10 <sup>-12</sup> to 10 <sup>-6</sup> seconds	Radical reaction
Min. to Hrs.	Cellular Processes
Hrs. to Months	Tissue Damage
Years	Clinical effects
Generations	Genetic Effects

- Linear Effect of Dose
  - Any amount radiation above background is harmful
  - Basis of radioisotope exposure limits
  - http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doccollections/cfr/part020/
  - Low level radiation effect not so clear

## **Intake limits**

- Air and water
  - nuclide specific (include daughter)
  - Class refers to lung retention (Days, Weeks, Years)
  - Annual limits on Intake (ALI) derived from 0.05 Sv total dose or 0.5 Sv dose to an organ or tissue
  - Derived air concentration (DAC) comes from ALI

DAC = ALI/(2000 hr x 60 min/hr x 2E4 mL/min)

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			Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	
Atomic No.	Radio- nuclide	Class	Oral Ingestion ALI (µCi)	ALI (µCi)	tion DAC (μCi/ml)	Air (µCi/ml)	Water (µCi/ml)	Monthly Average Concentration (µCi/ml)
95	Am-241	W, all compou nds	8E-1 Bone Surf	6E-3 Bone Surf	3E-12	-	-	-
			(1E+0)	(1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7

Isotope data found at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/cfr/part020/appb

#### Laboratory usage

- ALI and DAC basis of activities levels in the laboratory
  - http://rms.unlv.edu/radiological/Form%202%20-%20Risk%20Assessment%20and%20Control%20Guideline%20for%20R AM%20(2).pdf
- Use data to correlate isotope mass, experimental method, and activity level

Rad Safety Level	Risk Level	Activity per Experiment * (all apply)	Control Measures	Bioassay Requirement and Periodicity	Air Monitoring
1	MINIMAL RISK: Unlikely to produce a dose to a Worker greater than 100 mrem. (1 ALI intake = 5000 mrem, 0.01 ALI intake = 50 mrem)	≤ .01 ALI-Ingestion Max. = 50 µCi	<ul> <li>General supervision by the Authorized User</li> <li>Instruction to Workers on rad risks and proper handling procedures</li> <li>In procedures and post use survey by Worker</li> <li>Monthly inspection and quarterly survey by Radiation Safety Office</li> </ul>	None	None
2	LOW RISK: Possible to receive an annual dose in excess of 5 rem. Mitigated by the Worker: understanding, and applying good health physics work practices and procedures use of engineering and contamination control measures (1 ALI intake = 5000 merm)	Non Airborne >.01 to ≤ 1.0 ALI-Ingestion <u>Airborne</u> ≤ .01 ALI-Limiting <u>AII</u> Max. = 5 mCi	<ul> <li>Instruction to Worker on rad risks and proper handling procedures</li> <li>Review, understand and apply research protocol</li> <li>Lab specific training by Authorized User followed by routine supervision</li> <li>In-procedure monitoring and post use surveys by Worker</li> <li>Monthly inspection and quarterly survey by Radiation Safety Office</li> </ul>	None None	None None

#### ATTACHMENT 2 UNLV RISK ASSESSMENT and CONTROL GUIDELINE for UNSEALED-RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

#### ATTACHMENT 2 UNLV RISK ASSESSMENT and CONTROL GUIDELINE for UNSEALED-RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS (cont.)

Rad Safety Level	Risk Level	Activity per Experiment * (all apply)	Control Measures	Bioassay Requirement and Periodicity	Air Monitoring	
3	<ul> <li>MODERATE RISK: Likely to receive an annual dose in excess of 5 rem. Mitigated by:</li> <li>the Worker has thorough knowledge of radiation safety principles and practices, plus task specific training</li> <li>use of engineering and contamination control measures</li> <li>consistent use of task specific control measures</li> <li>demonstrating ability to effectively control radiation hazards</li> </ul>	Non-Airborne > 1.0 to ≤50 ALI-Ingestion <u>Airborne</u> > .01 to ≤50 ALI-Limiting <u>AII</u> Max. = 50 mCi	<ul> <li>Protocol approval by Authorized User and RSO</li> <li>Lab specific training of Worker by Authorized User followed by routine supervision</li> <li>In-procedure monitoring and post use surveys by Worker</li> <li>Monthly inspection and survey by Radiation Safety Office</li> <li>Mon-airborne         <ul> <li>&gt; 10 ALI (ingestion) requires fume hood</li> <li>≥ 0.01 ALI (limiting), requires fume hood</li> <li>≥ 10 ALI (limiting), requires negative pressure glove box</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Baseline bioassay and quarterly bioassay required >5 ALI (limiting) dispersible-airborne	Routine air monitoring required if > 0.01 ALI (inhalation) of dry, dispersible material. Continuous air monitoring required if >0.1 ALI (inhalation) of dry, dispersible material. Breathing Zone Air-sampling (BZA) is required when working with ≥ 1 ALI (inhalation) dry, dispersible materials (airborne).	
Rad Safety Level	Risk Level	Activity per Experiment * (all apply)	Control Measures	Bioassay <del>Requirement</del> a Periodicity	nd Air Monitoring	
4	HIGH RISK: Very likely to receive an annual dose in excess of 5 rem. Mitigated by:         • the Worker has advanced knowledge in radiation safety principles and practices, plus task specific training and procedures         • consistently using task specific control measures         • demonstrating the ability to effectively control radiation hazards	Non-Airborne >50 to ≤ 1,000 ALI-Ingestion <u>Airborne</u> > 50 to ≤1,000 ALI-Limitin <u>AII</u> Max. = 1000 mCi	<ul> <li>Protocol approval by Authorized User and RSO</li> <li>Authorized User MUST be present in I</li> <li>Initial applied training of Worker by Authorized User followed by routine supervision</li> <li>In-procedure monitoring and post use surveys by Worker</li> <li>Weekly survey by Authorized User/Sta</li> <li>Monthly inspection and survey by Radiation Safety</li> <li>Non-Airborne</li> <li>≥100 ALI-(limiting), requires negative pressure glove box</li> <li>Airborne</li> <li>≥10 ALI (limiting), requires negative pressure glove box - 1,000 ALI (initing) maximum</li> </ul>	ab Iff Baseline bioassa and quarterly bioassay require Work activity revie by the Radiation Safety Office may increase bioassay frequency.	ay Continuous air monitoring required Breathing Zone Air-sampling (BZA) required	

#### ATTACHMENT 1

EVALUATION of AIRBORNE RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS (cont.)

	Limitin	ig Values - F	Radiologica	l Health*	Rad Level	Rad Level	Rad Le	evel 3	Rad L	evel 4
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Nuclide	ALI	ALI	Ratio			Not Airborne	If NOT	If Airborne	If NOT	If Airborne
	Ingestion	Inhalation	Ingestion	Limiting ALI	Less Than	& Less Than	Airborne Less	Less Than	Airborne Less	Less Than
	(µCi)	(µCi)	/Inhalation	(µČi)	(µCi)	(µCi)	Than (µCi)	(µCi)	Than (µCi)	(µCi)
Am-241	0.8	0.006	133	0.01	0.000060	0.80	40	0.30	800	6.00
Am-242m	0.8	0.006	133	0.01	0.000060	0.80	40	0.30	800	6.00
Am-243	0.8	0.006	133	0.01	0.000060	0.80	40	0.30	800	6.00
Ba-133	2,000	700	2.86	700	7.00	2,000	50,000	35,000	1,000,000	700,000
C-14	2,000	2,000	1.00	2,000	20	2,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Cd-109	300	40	7.50	40	0.400	300	50,000	2,000	300,000	40,000
CI-36	2,000	2,000	1.00	2,000	20	2,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Cm-244	1.0	0.010	100	0.01	0.00010	1.00	50	0.50	1,000	10
Cm-248	0.2	0.002	100	0.002	0.000020	0.20	10	0.10	200	2.00
Co-57	4,000	700	5.71	700	7.00	4,000	50,000	35,000	1,000,000	700,000
Co-60	200	30	6.67	30	0.300	200	50,000	1,500	200,000	30,000
Cs-137	100	200	0.50	100	1.00	100	50,000	5,000	100,000	100,000
Eu-152	800	20	40	20	0.200	800	50,000	1,000	800,000	20,000
Eu-154	500	20	25	20	0.200	500	50,000	1,000	500,000	20,000
Eu-155	4,000	90	44	90	0.900	4,000	50,000	4,500	1,000,000	90,000
Gd-148	10	0.008	1,250	0.01	0.000080	10	500	0.40	10,000	8.00
H-3	80,000	80,000	1.00	80,000	50	5,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Hf-175	3,000	900	3.33	900	9.00	3,000	50,000	45,000	1,000,000	900,000
I-125	40	60	0.67	40	0.400	40	2,000	2,000	40,000	40,000
I-131	30	50	0.60	30	0.300	30	1,500	1,500	30,000	30,000
Mn-54	2,000	800	2.50	800	8.00	2,000	50,000	40,000	1,000,000	800,000

#### ATTACHMENT 1 EVALUATION of AIRBORNE RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS (cont.)

	Limitin	g Values - F	Radiologica	Health*	Rad Level	Rad Level	Rad Le	evel 3	Rad L	evel 4
Nuclide	ALI Ingestion	ALI Inhalation	Ratio Ingestion /Inhalation	Limiting ALI	Less Than	Not Airbonne & Less Than (µCi)	lf NOT Airborne Less Than (μCi)	lf Airborne Less Than (µCi)	lf NOT Airborne Less Than (μCi)	lf Airborne Less Than (µCi)
Na-22	400	600	0.67	400	4.00	400	50,000	20,000	400,000	400,000
Np-237	0.5	0.004	125	0.004	0.000040	0.50	25	0.20	500	4.00
P-32	600	400	1.50	400	4.00	600	50,000	20,000	600,000	400,000
P-33	6,000	3,000	2	3,000	50	5,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Pb-210	1.0	20	0.05	1.00	0.010	1.00	50	50	1,000	1,000
Po-210	3.0	0.60	5.00	0.60	0.0060	3.00	150	30	3,000	600
Pu-236	2.0	0.020	100	0.02	0.00020	2.00	100	1.00	2,000	20
Pu-238	0.9	0.007	129	0.01	0.000070	0.90	45	0.35	900	7.00
Pu-239	0.8	0.006	133	0.01	0.000060	0.80	40	0.30	800	6.00
Pu-240	0.8	0.006	133	0.01	0.000060	0.80	40	0.30	800	6.00
Pu-241	40	0.30	133	0.30	0.0030	40	2,000	15	40,000	300
Pu-242	0.8	0.007	114	0.01	0.000070	0.80	40	0.35	800	7.00
Ra-226	2.0	0.60	3.33	0.60	0.0060	2.00	100	30	2,000	600
Sb-125	2,000	500	4.00	500	5.00	2,000	50,000	25,000	1,000,000	500,000
Sm-147	20	0.070	286	0.07	0.00070	20	1,000	3.50	20,000	70
Sr-85	3,000	2,000	1.50	2,000	20	3,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Sr-90	30	4.00	7.50	4.00	0.040	30	1,500	200	30,000	4,000
Tc-99	4,000	700	5.71	700	7.00	4,000	50,000	35,000	1,000,000	700,000
Tc-99m	80,000	200,000	0.40	80,000	50	5,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Th-229	0.6	0.001	667	0.001	0.000009	0.60	30	0.05	600	0.90
Th-230	4.0	0.006	667	0.01	0.000060	4.00	200	0.30	4,000	6.00
Th-232	0.7	0.001	700	0.001	0.000010	0.70	35	0.05	700	1.00
TI-204	2,000	2,000	1.00	2,000	20	2,000	50,000	50,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
U-232	2.0	0.008	250	0.01	0.000080	2.00	100	0.40	2,000	8.00
U-233	10	0.040	250	0.04	0.00040	10	500	2.00	10,000	40
U-235	10	0.040	250	0.04	0.00040	10	500	2.00	10,000	40
U-238	10	0.040	250	0.04	0.00040	10	500	2.00	10,000	40
Zn-65	400	300	1.33	300	3.00	400	50,000	15,000	400,000	300,000
Zr-95	1,000	100	10	100	1.00	1,000	50,000	5,000	1,000,000	100,000

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	Limitin	g Values - I	Radiologica	l Health*	Rad Level 1**	Rad Level 2	Rad Le	evel 3	Rad L	evel 4
Nuclide	ALI Ingestion (µCi)	ALI Inhalation (µCi)	Ratio Ingestion /Inhalation	Limiting ALI (uCi)	Less Than (µCi)	Not Airborne & Less Than (µCi)	lf NOT Airborne Less Than (µCi)	lfAirborne LessThan (µCi)	lf NOT Airborne Less Than (µCi)	lf Airborne Less Than (µCi)
Tc-99	4,000	700	5.71	700	7.00	4,000	50,000	35,000	1,000,000	700,000

- Up to 1 ALI-ingestions
  - $\rightarrow 10 \ \mu Ci \ limit$
- A=3.7E5 Bq,  $\lambda$ = 4.88E-18/s<sup>-1</sup>
- A/ λ=N, N=7.58E22=0.126 moles=30 g U
   → Level 3, non-airborne 500 µCi limit
   →1500 g U, in fume hood
- Level 3 for for <sup>99</sup>Tc, pon-airborne
  - Up to 50000 μCi limit
  - A=1.85E9 Bq,  $\lambda$ = 1.03E-13 s<sup>-1</sup>
  - A/ $\lambda$ =N, N=1.79E22=2.98E-2 moles=2.95 g Tc

#### **Hot Atom Chemistry**

- Chemical processes that occur during nuclear reactions
  - Also called Szilard-Chalmers process
- Example: Activity of I extracted from water and ethyl iodide
  - Precipitated at AgI
- Chemical reactions produced by nuclear transformation
  - Neutron irradiation of ethyl iodide
    - $\rightarrow$  Iodine extracted into aqueous phase
      - \*  ${}^{127}I(n,\gamma){}^{128}I$ 
        - **X** Possible to produce specific isotope
- Need to overcome bond energy
  - Neutron does not normally contain sufficient energy
  - Gamma decay can provide suitable energy from recoil
    - $\rightarrow$  M is atom mass, E is gamma energy in MeV
      - \* Nucleus excited 6-8 MeV

Table 11-3	Recoil	Energies in	Electron Volts
Imparted to	Nuclei	by Gamma	<b>Rays of Various</b>
Energies			

$537F^{2}$	M	$E_{\gamma} = 2 \text{ MeV}$	$E_{\gamma} = 4  \text{MeV}$	$E_{\sim} = 6 \mathrm{MeV}$
$R(eV) = \frac{JJTL_{\gamma}}{M}$	$\leftrightarrow$ $20$	107	430	967
́ М	50	43	172	387
	100	21	86	193
	150	14	57	129
	200	11	43	97

### **Hot Atom Chemistry**

- Bonds are broken due to reaction energy
  - Bond energies on the order of eV
- Conditions needed
  - Bond of produced atom must be broken
  - Should not recombine with fragments
  - Should not exchange with target molecule
     → Slow kinetics
  - Separation of new species
- Halogens produced in this method
  - CCl<sub>4</sub>
  - $C_2H_2Cl_2$
  - C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Br
  - $C_2H_2Br_2$
  - $C_6H_5Br$
  - CH<sub>3</sub>I

→ Used to produce <sup>38</sup>Cl, <sup>80</sup>Br, <sup>82</sup>Br, <sup>128</sup>I

#### **Hot Atom Chemistry: Chemical Reactions**

- Beta reactions can also be exploited
  - $\text{TeO}_3^2 \rightarrow \text{IO}_3^- + \text{e}^-$ 
    - $\rightarrow$  Recoil is not quantized
      - \* Kinetic energy shared
      - \* E is maximum beta energy (MeV)
        - $\begin{array}{l} & R_{max}(eV)=573E(E+1)\\ .02)/M \end{array}$
        - ✗ 0.5 MeV in 100 amu is about 4 MeV
      - \* Energy is distributed
        - X Translational, rotational, vibrational
      - \* Bond usually not broken
  - Internal conversion set atom in excited state
    - → Rearrangement of electrons and drive chemical reactions
    - $\rightarrow$  Separation of isomers

Table 11-4Approximate Recoil Energies Expectedwith Various Nuclear Events (from reference C5)

Nuclear Process	Range of Recoil Energy (eV) <sup>4</sup>
$\beta^-$ Decay	$10^{-1} - 10^2$
$\beta^+$ Decay	$10^{-1} - 10^{2}$
α Decay	~10 <sup>5</sup>
IT	10 <sup>-1</sup> -1
EC	10 <sup>-1</sup> -10 <sup>1</sup>
$n_{th}, \gamma$	$\sim 10^{2}$
n, p	~10 <sup>s</sup>
Fission	$\sim 10^{8}$

<sup>a</sup> Based on a hot-atom mass of  $\sim 100$ , the most probable kinetic energy for a given nuclear process, and a range of nuclear energies most frequently encountered.

## Review

- Interaction of radiation with matter
- Dosimetry
  - Calculations
  - Units
  - limitation
  - Influence of particles
  - Measurements
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  - Energetic processes

# Questions

- Compare DAC for isotopes of Pu and Cs
- Perform a dose calculation for 1 mg internal exposure of <sup>210</sup>Po
- Use DAC to evaluate experimental limits for <sup>241</sup>Am
- Calculate the dose from 500000 Bq of <sup>241</sup>Am at 0.050 m
- What are the different masses of <sup>99</sup>Tc permitted for the various laboratory safety levels at UNLV.
- What are the principles of hot atom chemistry

### Questions

- Comment on the blog
- Respond to PDF Quiz 7