APPLICATION OF ELECTRON BEAM IN FOOD PROCESSING

GLOBALIZATION OF ACCESS TO RADIATION TECHNOLOGIES



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Main reserch acitivity

- · Radiation chemistry and technology
- Radiochemistry
- Radiopharmaceuticals
- Radiobiology
- Nuclear methods in materials and process engineering
- Trace analysis and radioanalytical techniques
- Nuclear instrumentation

Main products and services

- Tightness control and leak detection
- Sterilization and microbiological decontamination
- Polymer crosslinking
- Semiconductors irradiation
- Nuclear analytical methods

Education and promotion

- ERASMUS + "Joint innovative training and teaching/learning program in enhancing development and transfer knowledge of application of ionizing radiation in materials processing"
- International Ph. D. studies
- NUKLEONIKA Journal



HISTORY OF ELECTRON ACCELERATORS USE AT INCT

Food irradiation at INCT:

- Established in 1990
- PILOT accelerator (10 MeV, 1 kW)
- ELEKTRONIKA accelerator (10MeV, 10 kW)
- Approved for food irradiation in EU:
 Reference number:
 GIS-HZ-4434-W.- 3/MR/03

Research new applications of food irradiation

- E-beam effectiveness for: honey, therapeutic herbs
- Low energy electron beam irradiation of food

Accelerator	Place and year of installation	Beam parameters	Remarks
LAE 13/9	INCT Warsaw,	5 - 13 MeV	R&D
linac	1971	9 kW	
As 2000 electrostatic	INCT Warsaw, 1987	0.1-2 MeV 0.2 kW	R&D
ILU 6	INCT Warsaw,	0.2 -2 MeV	Pilot plant for polymers modification, R&D
UHF	1988	20 kW	
PILOT	INCT Warsaw,	I0 MeV	Pilot plant for food processing, R&D
linac	1990	IkW	
ELW 3A	EC Kawęczyn, Warsaw, 1991	0.5 – 0.7 MeV	Pilot plant for flue gas
transformer		50 kW	treatment, R&D
Elektronika	INCT Warsaw,	10 MeV	Radiation sterilization
linac	1993	15 kW	
Elektronika	INCT Warsaw,	I0 MeV	Food processing
linac	1993	I0 kW	
LAE 10	INCT Warsaw, 2000	I0 MeV	Pulse radiolysis
NHV transformer	EC Pomorzany, Szczecin 2002	0.7 MeV 4 × 262.5 kW	Flue gas treatment
LAE 10	INCT Warsaw,	I0 MeV	Radiation sterilization
linac	Under construction	I5 kW	

DEVELOPMENT OF RADIATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR FOOD TREATMENT



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for

Radiation Technology and Industrial Dosimetry

2020 - 2024



TRAININGS - KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

Radiation technologies:

- Dosimetry basic knowledge on the use of different dosimetry systems, hands-on experience
- Validation of electron beam irradiation process practical exercise using electron beam
- Detection of irradiated food
- Applications of ionizing radiation
- Effects induced by irradiation













ACCESS TO INFRASTRUCTURE

Access to research infrastructure

- Support form the IAEA (CRPs, RER)
- EU programmes
- Ionizing radiation sources:
 - electron beam accelerators (from 0.2 up to 10 MeV)
 - Gamma chamber (GC 5000)
- **EPR** spectrometry
- Analytical infrastructure
- Expertise experienced staff







EURO-LABS "European Laboratories for Accelerators Based Sciences'







Thank you for your attention!





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