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### SUMMARY

Nuclear engineer (Ph.D.) with twenty eight years of work experience; technical expertise includes application of variance reduction methods to complex shielding calculations, containment analyses, source term generation, depletion and criticality code validations for spent nuclear fuel (SNF) burnup credit applications, cross-section sensitivity and uncertainty analyses, material damage evaluations, and gamma heating measurements.

### EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, AUSTIN, TX

Doctor of Philosophy in Nuclear Engineering, May 2003

Dissertation title: *Automated Variance Reduction for Monte Carlo Shielding Analyses with MCNP*

Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering, August 1997

Thesis title: *MCNP Criticality Benchmarks for Mixed Oxide Lattices of the Saxton Plutonium Program*

UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

Master of Science in Engineering Physics, June 1986

### WORK EXPERIENCE

08/2005–present

OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY, OAK RIDGE, TN

Reactor and Nuclear Systems Division – Radiation Transport Group

*Senior Research and Development (R&D) Staff*

Working on a number of projects involving radiation shielding and burnup credit nuclear criticality safety analyses, including R&D projects of the US Department of Energy Office of Energy and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) related to storage and transportation of commercial SNF, and the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER) project

- Radiation Shielding/Source Term Analyses
  - Determined material damage (i.e., displacement per atom and gas production rates) in the stainless-steel components of the tokamak water cooling system on level L3 of the tokamak building using Monte Carlo calculations
  - Developed the SCALE/MAVRIC model for dose rate assessments (10 CFR 72.104) of a large consolidated interim storage facility (CISF) to support the NRC review of the license application for the construction and operation of the CISF
  - Responsible for developing SCALE/MAVRIC shielding analysis models and containment analysis models for the Used Nuclear Fuel-Storage, Transportation & Disposal Analysis Resource and Data System (UNF-ST&DARDS), an integrated data and analysis tool for cask-specific SNF criticality, thermal, dose rate, and containment analyses

- Determined the effects of spent nuclear fuel reconfiguration on the external dose rates of SNF transportation packages and storage casks
- Calculated the energy deposited by alpha and beta particles in the moist air surrounding UO<sub>2</sub> fuel pellets for use in the determination of the production rates of radiolysis products
- Performed dose rate assessments to support NRC review of the US EPR reactor design certification features
- Established a benchmark model for a brachytherapy seed; performed Monte Carlo simulations and sensitivity analyses
- Burnup Credit Criticality Safety Analyses
  - Led the effort to develop the technical basis and recommendations for NRC Interim Staff Guidance concerning depletion uncertainty associated with burnup credit criticality safety calculations using PWR SNF actinide and fission product nuclides (ISG-8 Rev. 3, *Burnup Credit in the Criticality Safety Analyses of PWR Spent Fuel in Transportation and Storage Casks*)
  - Performed SCALE/TRITON depletion code validations based on comparison of measured and calculated nuclide concentrations in irradiated UO<sub>2</sub> fuel
  - Contributed to benchmark development, submitted benchmark calculations, analyzed the benchmark calculations submitted by participants, and authored an OECD/NEA report describing the benchmark calculation results of the OECD/NEA Expert Group on Burnup Credit Criticality Safety benchmark phase VII, *UO<sub>2</sub> Fuel Study of Spent Fuel Compositions for Long-term Disposal*
  - Code manager for STARBUCS, the SCALE sequence for automated criticality safety analyses using burnup credit
  - Performed validation of the computational methods used in commercial SNF postclosure criticality calculations
  - Demonstrated the applicability of PWR commercial reactor criticals to criticality code validations for burnup credit criticality safety analyses of commercial SNF casks using cross-section sensitivity and uncertainty analysis techniques

02/2001–08/2005

BECHTEL SAIC COMPANY, LAS VEGAS, NV  
 DOE Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) Yucca Mountain Project  
*Senior Engineer*

Performed radiation source term, dose rate, and shielding design calculations for the surface and subsurface facilities at the proposed high-level waste geologic repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, in support of License Application. Applied project requirements and design criteria to demonstrate compliance with the regulatory requirements of 10 CFR Parts 20, 63, and 72.

07/1998–02/2001

FRAMATOME COGEMA FUELS, LAS VEGAS, NV  
 DOE OCRWM Yucca Mountain Project  
*Engineer*

Performed detailed dose rate evaluations for commercial SNF waste packages and codisposal high-level waste and DOE-owned SNF (e.g., FFTF, TRIGA, Fermi, FSV, and Shippingport fuels) waste packages.

09/1995–06/1998

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, AUSTIN, TX  
 Department of Mechanical Engineering  
*Graduate Research/Teaching Assistant*

Performed criticality benchmark evaluations for the Saxton Plutonium Critical Experiments in support of the joint US/Russia project *Neutronics Benchmarks for the Utilization of Mixed-Oxide Fuel*.

08/1986–08/1995

INSTITUTE FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH, PITESTI, ROMANIA

TRIGA Research Reactor Division

*Research Scientist*

- Designed and performed gamma heating measurements of material testing reactor
- Performed radiation source term and shielding design calculations for SNF transportation casks

### COMPUTER SKILLS

- Computer codes  
SCALE (CSAS5, CSAS6, ORIGAMI, ORIGEN, MAVRIC, STARBUCS, TSUNAMI)  
MCNP, MCNPX
- Geometry visualization and conversion tools  
VisIt, Cubit, McCad
- Programing  
FORTRAN 90/95

### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member of the American Nuclear Society
- Chair of the Working Group for the ANS-19.3.4 standard, *The Determination of Thermal Energy Deposition Rate in Nuclear Reactors*

### PUBLICATIONS

**G. Radulescu**, K. Banerjee, R.A. Lefebvre, L. P. Miller, and J. M. Scaglione, “Shielding Analysis Capability of UNF-ST&DARDS,” *Nucl. Technol.*, 199(3), 276-288 (2017).

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K. Banerjee, K. R. Robb, **G. Radulescu**, J. M. Scaglione, J. C. Wagner, J. B. Clarity, R. A. Lefebvre, J. L. Peterson, “Estimation of Inherent Safety Margins in Loaded Commercial Spent Nuclear Fuel Casks,” *Nucl. Technol.*, 195(2), 124-142 (2016).

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**G. Radulescu**, R. A. Lefebvre, K. Banerjee, P. Miller, and J. M. Scaglione, “Shielding Analysis Capability of UNF-ST&DARDS,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 113 (2015).

**G. Radulescu**, R. A. Lefebvre, P. Miller, A. B. Thompson, K. Banerjee, and J. M. Scaglione, “Containment Analysis Capability of UNF-ST&DARDS,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 113 (2015).

K. J. Connolly and **G. Radulescu**, “Long Range Dose Rate Models for Spent Nuclear Fuel Transportation Casks,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 113 (2015).

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J. M. Scaglione, R. L. Lefebvre, K. Banerjee, **G. Radulescu**, and K.R. Robb, “A Unified Spent Nuclear Fuel Database and Analysis System,” *Proc. of the IAEA International Conference on Management of Spent Fuel from Nuclear Power Reactors – An Integrated Approach to the Back-End of the Fuel Cycle*, Vienna, Austria, June 15-19, 2015.

J. M. Scaglione, **G. Radulescu**, W. J. Marshall, and K. R. Robb, A Quantitative Impact Assessment of Hypothetical Spent Fuel Reconfiguration in Spent Fuel Storage Casks and Transportation Packages, NUREG/CR-7203 (ORNL/TM-2013/92), US Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (2015).

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D. E. Peplow, **G. Radulescu**, M. L. Williams, and R. L. Lefebvre,, ”SCALE Enhancements for Detailed Cask Dose Rate Analysis,” *Proc. of the 18<sup>th</sup> Topical Meeting of the Radiation Protection & Shielding Division of ANS*, Knoxville, TN, Sept. 14 – 18, 2014.

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- J. M. Scaglione, R. L. Lefebvre, **G. Radulescu**, H. J. Smith, D. Ilas, K. R. Robb, J. C. Wagner, H. E. Adkins, T. E. Michener, and D. Vinson, “Integrating Data and Analysis Capabilities for Cask-Specific Safety Evaluations,” *Proc. of the 14<sup>th</sup> International High-Level Radioactive Waste Management Conference*, Albuquerque, NM, April 28 – May 2, 2013.
- J. M. Scaglione, A. Caswell, J. B. Clarity, and **G. Radulescu**, “Considerations for an Integrated Storage, Transportation, and Disposal Canister,” *Proc. of the 14<sup>th</sup> International High-Level Radioactive Waste Management Conference*, Albuquerque, NM, April 28 – May 2, 2013.
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- G. Radulescu** and E. D. Blakeman, “Iodine-125 Brachytherapy Seed Benchmark,” *Proc. American Nuclear Society Radiation Protection and Shielding Division 2010 Topical Meeting*, Las Vegas, NV, April 18–23, 2010.
- G. Radulescu**, I. C. Gauld, and G. Ilas, *SCALE 5.1 Predictions of PWR Spent Nuclear Fuel Isotopic Compositions*, ORNL/TM-2010/44, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (2010).
- G. Radulescu**, I. C. Gauld, and G. Ilas “Evaluation of PWR Isotopic Composition Data,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 101, 688 (2009).
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*Applications of Burnup Credit for Spent Fuel Storage, Transport, Reprocessing, and Disposition*, Cordoba, Spain, Oct. 27–30, 2009.

**G. Radulescu** and I. C. Gauld, “Enhancements to the Burnup Credit Criticality Safety Analysis Sequence in SCALE”, *Proc. of the 2009 Nuclear Criticality Safety Division Topical Meeting on Realism, Robustness and the Nuclear Renaissance*, Richland, WA, Sept. 13–17, 2009.

**G. Radulescu**, D. E. Mueller, and J. C. Wagner, “Sensitivity and Uncertainty Analysis of Commercial Reactor Criticals for Burnup Credit,” *Nucl. Technol.*, 167(2), 268–287 (2009).

**G. Radulescu**, D. E. Mueller, and J. C. Wagner, *Sensitivity and Uncertainty Analysis of Commercial Reactor Criticals for Burnup Credit*, NUREG/CR-6951 (ORNL/TM-2006/87), US Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, (2007).

**G. Radulescu**, D. E. Mueller, S. Goluoglu, D. F. Hollenbach, and P. B. Fox, *Range of Applicability and Bias Determination for Postclosure Criticality of Commercial Spent Nuclear Fuel*, ORNL/TM-2007/127, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, (2007).

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**G. Radulescu** and S. Su, “Dose Rate Evaluation for Spent Fuel Aging Areas at Yucca Mountain,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 92, 29 (2005).

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N. M. Abdurrahman, M. Yavuz, and **G. Radulescu**, “MCNP Analysis of PNL Split-Table Critical Experiments Containing Mixed-Oxide Fuels,” *Trans. Am. Nucl. Soc.*, 77, 213 (1997).

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**G. Radulescu**, I. Pop, and C. Toma, “Measurement of Absorbed Dose in the 14-MW TRIGA Reactor,” *Proc. of the Twelfth European TRIGA Users Conference*, Pitesti, Romania, Sept. 28 – Oct. 1, 1992.