

## Measurements of the $^{209}\text{Bi}(n,\gamma)^{210}\text{gBi}$ Reaction Cross Sections at 30 and 520 keV

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### Abstact

The cross sections of the  $^{209}\text{Bi}(n,\gamma)^{210}\text{gBi}$  reaction which leads to the  $^{210}\text{Po}$  production in the lead-bismuth coolant were measured at the incident neutron energies of 30 and 520 keV. An activation method was adopted with the  $^7\text{Li}(p,n)^7\text{Be}$  reaction neutron source. The incident neutron flux on a bismuth sample war obtained from the activities of standard gold samples. The  $\alpha$  rays from the  $^{210}\text{Po}$  nuclei produced in the bismuth sample were measured with a Si surface barrier detector. The derived cross sections were  $0.77\pm 0.20$  mb at 30 keV and  $0.46 \pm 0.11$ mb at 520 keV, which were on tenth and one third of the evaluated values in JENDL Activation Cross Section File, respectively.