

INFRA-Th IFA-652.1 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>  
(Analysis of IFA-652.1 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> Fuel In-Pile Behavior  
Using INFRA-Th)

105 305-600

UO<sub>2</sub> 가 INFRA ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> 가  
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Abstract

For the in-pile performance analysis of thorium-uranium fuel, INFRA-Th version was developed by adding some performance model for ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> fuel into INFRA of UO<sub>2</sub> performance analysis code. Using INFRA-Th, IFA-652.1 rod 4&5 in-pile behavior analysis was performed and temperature & rod internal pressure prediction compared with measured data. From measured in-pile data, due to low initial fuel density, strong densification was observed. Especially, though rod 5 had the identical design with rod 4 and even more lower power level maintained during irradiation, more densification was observed in rod 5 than rod 4.

Based on the detail rod design information and power history measured in-pile, INFRA-Th shows good agreement for the strong densification, fuel temperature and rod internal pressure with rod 4's measured data. But in rod 5 case, due to under estimation of enhanced strong densification, lower fuel temperature and higher rod internal pressure predicted.

1.

Halden project 2000  
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가 [1] IFA-652.1

IFA-652.1 3 2005 45 MWd/kgOx  
4 5 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>  
ThO<sub>2</sub> UO<sub>2</sub> 가 / UO<sub>2</sub>

UO<sub>2</sub> 가 INFRA(INtegrated Fuel Rod  
Analysis) [2] ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> 가 INFRA-Th IFA-652.1  
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INFRA-Th 가

2. IFA-652.1

2000 가 IFA-652.1 3가  
IM(Inner Matrix), IMT(Inner  
Matrix Thoria-dopped), T(Thoria) 1&2, 3&6, 4&5  
(3 )  
5 4 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>  
1  
4 , 5  
TF(Thermo couple) PF(Pressure  
Transducer)가 4  
EF(Fuel Stack elongation)가 3  
ND(Neutron Detector) 1 4,5  
가

3. INFRA-Th

ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> INFRA-Th UO<sub>2</sub> 가  
INFRA  
ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> 가 UO<sub>2</sub>  
,  
,  
(Melting temperature,  
specific heat, modulus of elasticity, emissivity)  
ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> /

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3.1

100% TD,  $\frac{\text{ThO}_2\text{-UO}_2}{\text{ThO}_2\text{-UO}_2} / \text{UO}_2$  [3].

$$K_{Th/U}^M = \frac{1}{A(M) + B(M) \cdot T}$$

$$A(M) = \frac{1}{A_0 + A_1 \cdot M}, \quad B(M) = B_0 + B_1 \cdot M + B_2 \cdot M^2$$

$$A_0 = 46.948, \quad A_1 = -112.072,$$

$$B_0 = 1.597 \times 10^{-4}, \quad B_1 = 6.736 \times 10^{-4}, \quad B_2 = -2.156 \times 10^{-3}$$

(porosity)

가

1.15 Maxwell-Eucken correlation [4].  $\text{ThO}_2\text{-UO}_2$

$$K_P = \frac{(1-P)}{(1+\beta P)}$$

P = Porosity fraction

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가 UO<sub>2</sub>

가

Halden

UO<sub>2</sub>

$$k_B = \frac{k}{k_0}$$

k<sub>B</sub> = Burnup factor at burup B (MWd/kgUO<sub>2</sub>)

k = Halden thermal conductivity (kW/m.K)

k<sub>0</sub> = Halden thermal conductivity at zero burnup

$$K_{total} = K_{Th/U}^M \cdot k_B \cdot k_P$$

3.2

UO<sub>2</sub>

(M)

ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>가

[3].

$$\left(\frac{\Delta L}{L_0}\right)_{ThO_2-UO_2} = Frac_{UO_2} \cdot \frac{\Delta L}{L}_{UO_2} + Frac_{ThO_2} \cdot \frac{\Delta L}{L}_{ThO_2}$$

3.3

Rim Pu-239 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> UO<sub>2</sub> U-238  
 Pu ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub> U-238  
 가 [5]. INFRA-Th ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>  
 2 3 HELIOS  
 가

4. IFA-652.1 5

4,5,6 4/5 10%  
 가 60 5 가  
 5 4 가 4  
 5 가 4  
 가 (ex: bellows creep) 가  
 가 5 가 가  
 4 4mm 가  
 2.6 vol% 가  
 5 1.2 가

5. INFRA-Th

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HRP(Halden Reactor Project)

TFDB(Test Fuel Data Bank)

7

20 axial segment

TFDB

4

axial node

TFDB

15

가

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8

swelling rate

Halden

UO<sub>2</sub>

가

(

INFRA-Th

18

axial node

6.

9

10

start-up

INFRA-Th

가

가

가

ramp test

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( 11, 12).

가

가

가

가

UO<sub>2</sub>

가 170 μm

4/5

가

UO<sub>2</sub>

가

가 180 μm

INFRA-Th

UO<sub>2</sub>

180 μm

가

relocation factor

UO<sub>2</sub>

0.6

13

14

0.6 relocation factor

가 4 5

5 가 5

INFRA-Th 가 .

가 82%TD 2.5 vol% 4

2.6 vol% 가 .

5 4

가 .

15 16 가 5

가 4 5

가 .

7.

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가 .

INFRA-Th 4 ThO<sub>2</sub>-UO<sub>2</sub>

가

5 가 가

가 가 가 5 가

가

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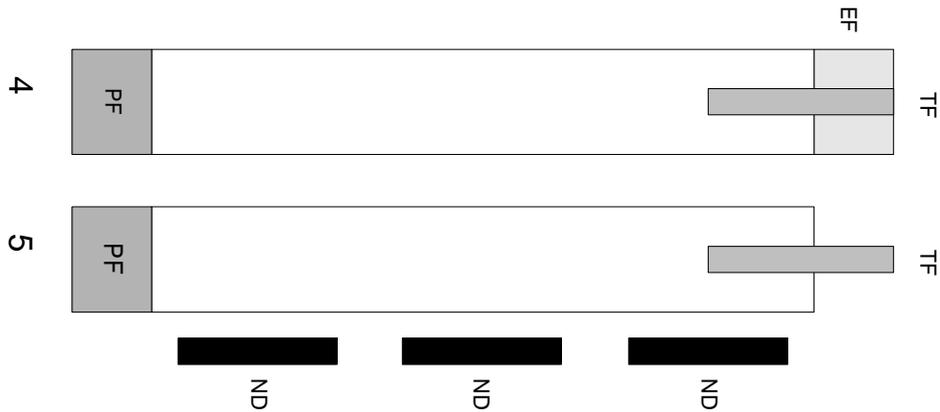
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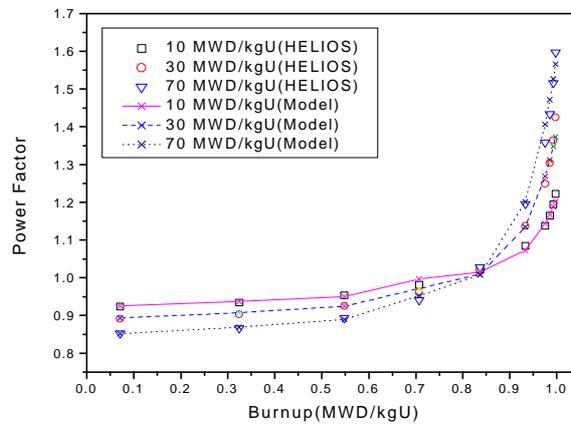
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1. IFA-652.1

Pellet diameter (mm)	8.19	Clad material	Zr-2
Pellet length (mm)	10.2	Clad inside diameter (mm)	8.36
Pellet density (%TD)	82	Clad outside diameter (mm)	9.5
U235 enrichment (wt%)	93	Clad thickness	0.57
ThO <sub>2</sub> contents (%)	88.3	Diametral gap (mm)	170
Dish depth (mm)	9.84e-3	initial gas/pressure (atm)	He/10
Dish spherical radius (mm)	18.1	Thermocouple diameter (mm)	1.8

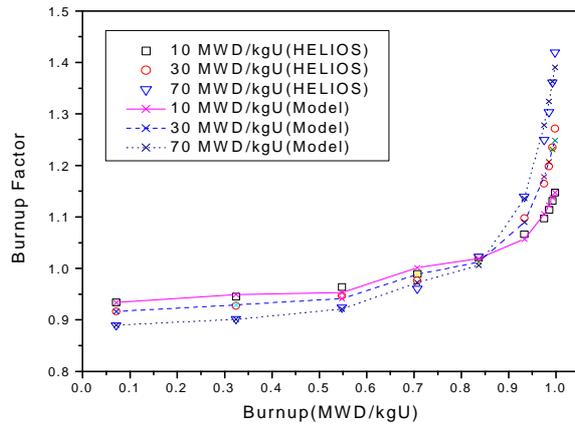


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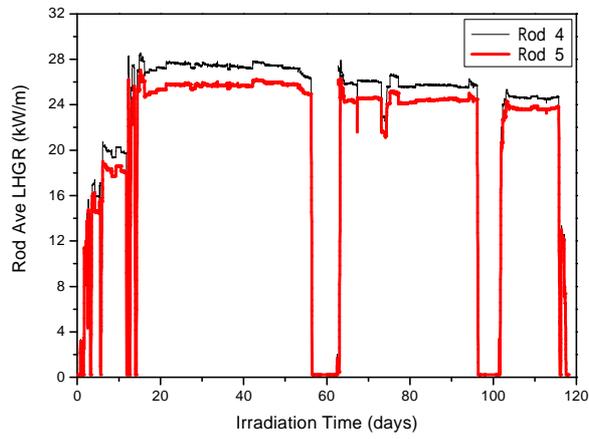
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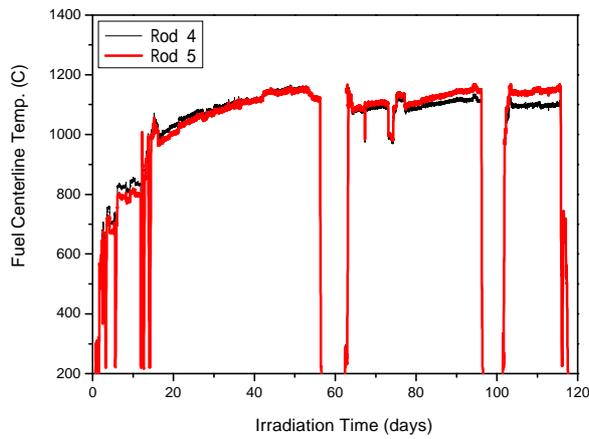


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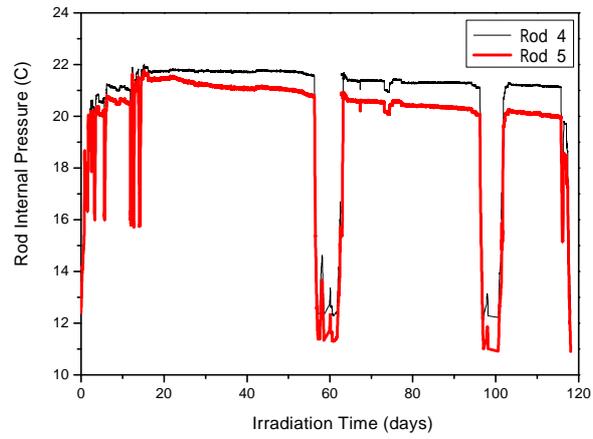


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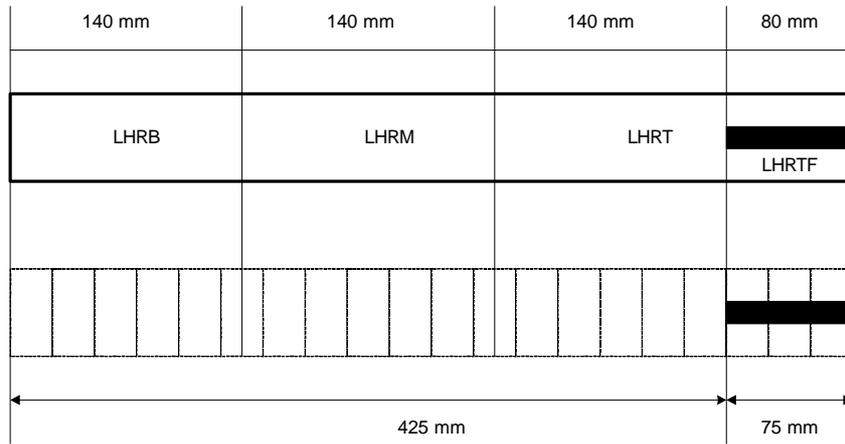


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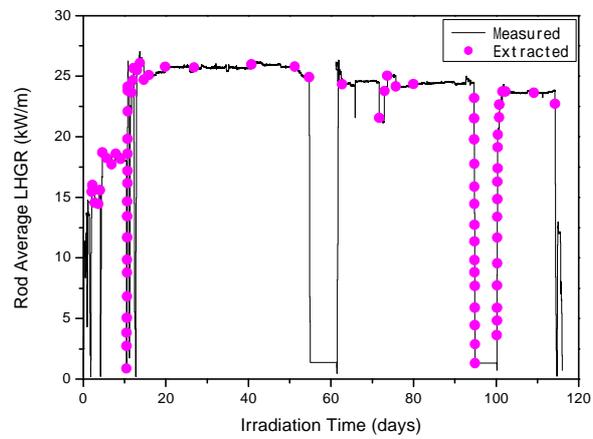
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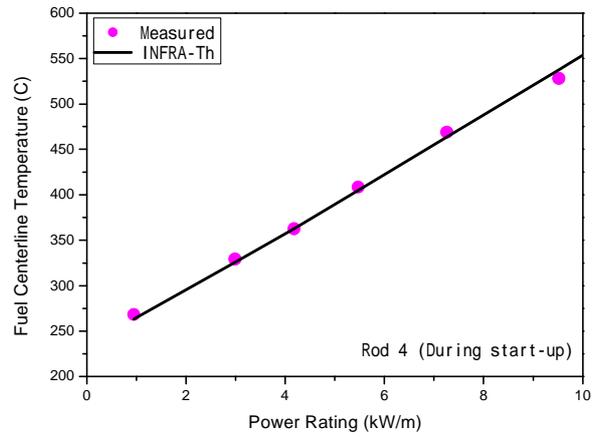
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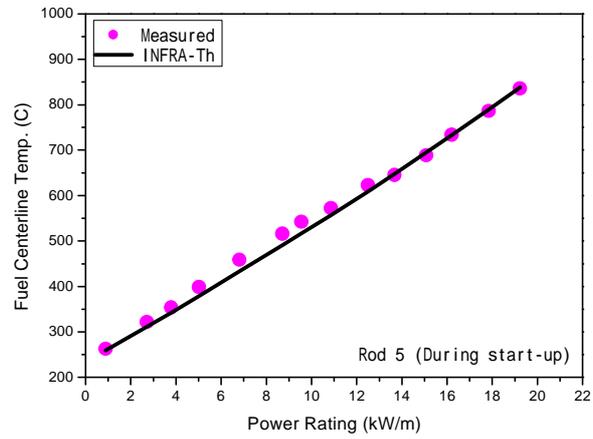
INFRA-Th

(Rod 5)



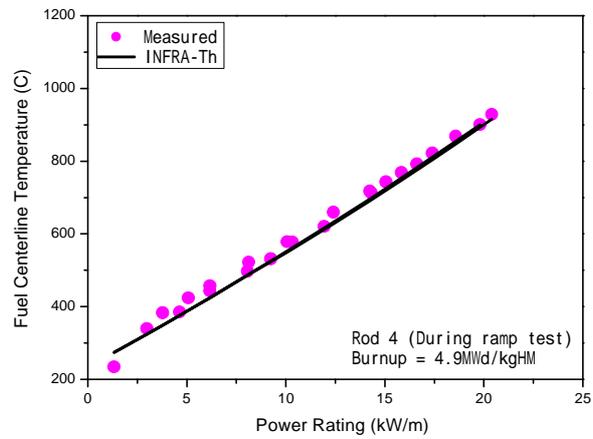
9. start-up

(Rod 4)



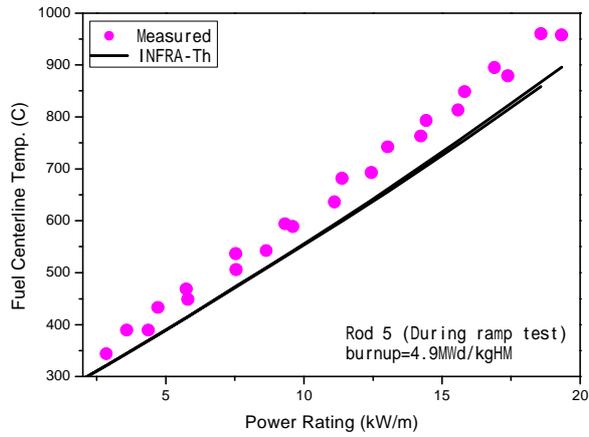
10. start-up

(Rod 5)



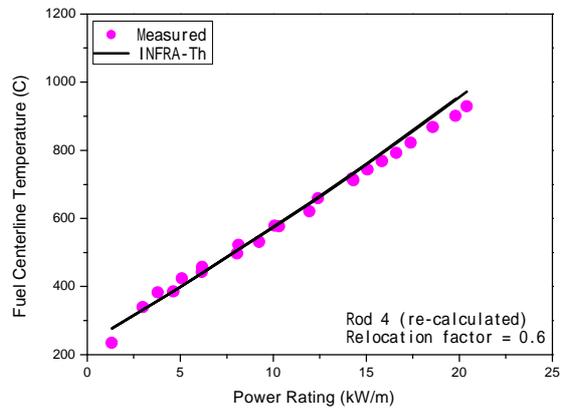
11. ramp test

(Rod 4)



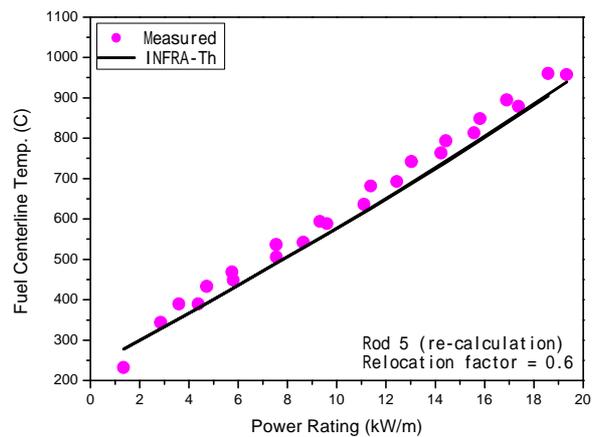
12. ramp test

(Rod 5)



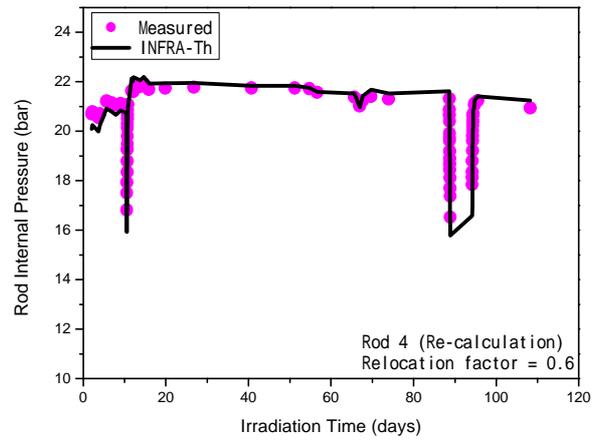
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(relocation factor = 0.6, Rod 4)

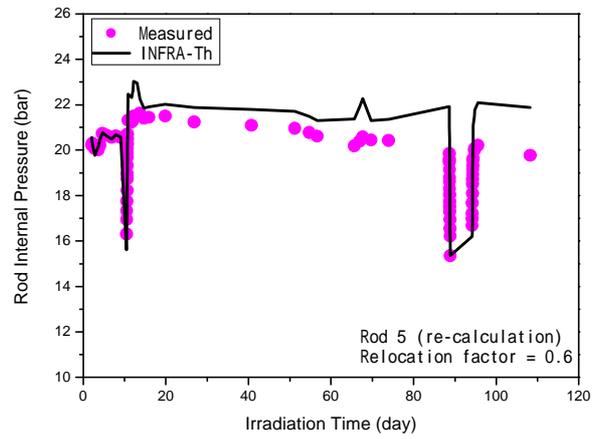


14. ramp test INFRA-Th

(relocation factor = 0.6, Rod 5)



15. INFRA-Th (relocation factor = 0.6, Rod 4)



16. INFRA-Th (relocation factor = 0.6, Rod 5)