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Introduction to Nuclear Physics & Measurements (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)

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3.00 credits	Q1

Language :	English				
Place of the course	Autre site				
Prerequisites	Bachelor level lectures on physics, mechanics, mathematics.				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: • To learn and understand the basic properties of a nucleus • To understand the role of conservation laws in decay processes and reactions • To learn particles interactions with matter • To learn characteristics of main particles detectors				
Evaluation methods	Written examination (closed book)				
Teaching methods	• 2 t.m.; 36 hours of lectures, 5 lab sessions of ½ day • laboratory work (SCK.CEN)				
Content	 Nuclear properties (nuclear radius; mass and abundance of nuclides; nuclear binding energy; nuclear exited states) Radioactive decay law, radioactive chains, units of radioactivity Alpha, Beta and Gamma decay Nuclear fission Types of nuclear reactions: compound nucleus, threshold reactions, concept of cross section Interactions of ionizing radiations (ions, electrons, photons, neutrons) with matter Detection of ionizing radiations (ions, electrons, photons, neutrons) 				
Inline resources	https://www.sckcen.be/fbnen				
Bibliography	The PowerPoint presentations of the lectures are available on the BNEN website. Other useful references: Krane, K.S. 'Introductory Nuclear Physics', Wiley, 1987. Tavernier, S. 'Experimental techniques in nuclear and particle physics', Springer-Verlag, 2010. Knoll, G.F. 'Radiation detection and measurement', 4 ed., Wiley, 2010.				
Other infos	Prof. Nicolas Pauly Université Libre de Bruxelles Course location: SCK-Cen (Mol)				
Faculty or entity in charge	EPL				

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Master [120] in Energy Engineering	NRGY2M	3		•		