

## RADIONUCLIDE SAFETY DATA SHEET

RADIONUCLIDE: Na-22 FORMS: Soluble

## PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

HALF-LIFE: 2.6 years **DECAY EMISSIONS** 

Gammas / X-rays		Betas / Positro	Betas / Positrons (+) / Electrons*		Alphas		
E (keV)	%	E (keV, Ave)	%	E (keV)	%		
511	180	215(+)	90				
1275	100						

<sup>-</sup> Only 4 most probable emissions per decay type included. Emissions below 10 keV or 1% excluded.

### STANFORD HAZARD CATEGORY

C – level (low hazard): ≤ 2 mCi

B – level (moderate hazard): > 2 mCi, ≤ 100 mCi

A - level (high hazard): > 100 mCi

## **EXTERNAL RADIATION HAZARDS**

Gamma dose rate, point source at 1 ft, 1 mCi:

## 11.35 mrem/h

Beta dose rate to skin, point source at 1 ft, 1 mCi:

### 375 mrem/h

Contamination skin dose, uniform deposit of 1  $\mu$ Ci per cm²:

## 6200 mrem/h

# **SHIELDING**

### Gammas/X-rays:

**3.6 cm** of lead will reduce the gamma dose rate by 90%.

### Betas/electrons:

**1.4 mm** of plastic will absorb all emissions. Bremsstrahlung may be created and require additional shielding.

## INTERNAL RADIATION HAZARDS

Annual Limit on Intake: 400 µCi (Ingestion)

**600 μCi** (Inhalation)

The values above indicate the activity taken into the body that would result in either 5 rem to the whole body (CEDE) or 50 rem to an organ or tissue (CDE).

# **DOSIMETRY AND BIOASSAY REQS**

Whole-body and finger-ring dosimeters are required for handling **5 mCi** or more, or **1 mCi amounts** weekly. Urine assays may be required after large spills or contaminations.

# **SPECIAL PROBLEMS AND PRECAUTIONS:**

- 1. Recommended survey probe: Nal or PGM
- 2. Always wear protective gloves, a lab coat, and safety eyewear to protect the skin and eyes from contamination. Change gloves often.
- 3. Survey work areas before, during, and after work. Work areas may require shielding to keep dose ALARA. Instrument and smear surveys are required.
- 4. Segregate waste to those with half-lives greater than **120 days (excluding H-3 and C-14)**. Survey the waste disposal area to ensure exposure rates are less than 2 mR/hr at 1 foot.
- 5. Limit soluble waste to the sewer to less than **10** μCi/day per lab.

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