

# International Nuclear Codes Workshop/MCNEG – 2008

3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Birchwood Conference Centre, Warrington, Cheshire  
UK

## Preliminary programme

### Monday

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**Reception and Coffee**

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**MCBEND — Adam Bird and Geoff Dobson, Serco**

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MCBEND is a Monte Carlo transport code developed by Serco. Users can benefit from using MCBEND for design and predictive assessment of radiation levels in and around: Reactor plant; Reactor Pressure Vessel; Fuel transport flasks; Reprocessing plants; Fusion devices; Nuclear instrumentation; Borehole logging tools; Waste storage facilities; Food Irradiation Facilities

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**MONACO — John Wagner , ORNL**

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Monaco is a new 3-D Monte Carlo code being developed within SCALE for shielding calculations. Monaco is the result of a modernization effort combining the multi-group neutron and photon physics of MORSE with the flexibility of the second-order surface SCALE general geometry package (SGGP), which is shared with KENO-VI .

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**Attila — Gregory Failla, Transpire**

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Attila is a deterministic transport software system developed by Transpire, Inc. which directly solves the governing transport equations. Attila can import CAD data, and analyses can be set-up through an intuitive graphical user interface. Attila calculates the full solution everywhere in the computational domain, making it well suited for a broad range of applications.

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19:00 **International nuclear codes workshop dinner**

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**KENO — Brad Rearden, ORNL**

KENO is a Monte Carlo criticality safety code developed at Oak Ridge National Laboratory as part of the SCALE code system. KENO is employed to determine effective multiplication factors (k-eff) for multidimensional systems. In addition, KENO provides capability to perform sensitivity/uncertainty calculations via the TSUNAMI calculational sequence in SCALE. Two-dimensional colour plots and three-dimensional interactive visualization of the geometry model and calculational results can be generated on Unix, Linux, Windows, and Mac workstation and personal computer platforms.

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**Hole Geometry — Adam Bird and Geoff Dobson, Serco Assurance**

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Hole geometry makes use of a technique called Woodcock tracking to improve tracking performance, and to allow the simple description of complex geometries.

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**MCNP Vised — Randy Schwartz, Visual Editor Consultants**

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MCNP-Vised is a visual editor for MCNP offering a number of features including: Surface Creation/Cell Creation; access to the MCNP Materials/Materials Library; Lattice Creation; Importances; Source Points/Collision Points; KCODE Source Generation Points; 3D Plots; 3D Radiographic Plots; Tally Plotting; CAD Import; A Surface Wizard to assist in the creation of complex MCNP surfaces.

# Wednesday

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Reception and Coffee

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Opening of MCNEG 2008

## Archaeological Applications

09:15- Roger Nathan

"All people are Africans!" adds MCNP.

09:45 University of Oxford,  
UK

## Medical Applications I

09:45- Tricia Tynan

Use of BEAMnrc and DOSXYZnrc to  
Model Modulated Electron Beams  
Delivered Through a Photon Multileaf  
Collimator

10:15 University of Texas,  
USA

10:15- Zamir Ghani

BNCT Beam Monitoring,  
Characterisation and Dosimetry

10:45 University of Birmingham,  
UK

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11:00

## Nuclear applications

11:00- Boris Lukhminsky

Performing the systems of autonomous  
nuclear logging-tools interpretation  
for horizontal boreholes

11:30 PetroAliance Services Company  
Russia

11:30- Raul Pampin

Radiation transport tools and  
applications in UK fusion research

12:00 Euratom/UKAEA Fusion Association  
UK

12:00- Topan Setiadipura

MCNP Calculation on Neutronic Aspect  
of Thorium Battery (ThoBatt), a Long  
Life Small PWR with (Th,U)O<sub>2</sub> Fuel

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Indonesia

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## Medical Applications II

13:15- Patrick Downes

Development and QA of Secondary  
Collimation Component Modules for  
beampp

13:45 Velindre Cancer Centre,  
UK

13:45- Aurélie Desbrée

Personalized Dosimetry Associating  
Voxel-Based Phantoms with Monte  
Carlo Calculation in Nuclear Medicine  
and Radioprotection

14:15 IRSN,  
France

14:15- Hassan Ali Nedaie

MCNP Monte Carlo dose distribution in  
inhomogeneous phantoms in clinical  
electron beams

14:45 Tehran University,  
Iran

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**Space Applications**

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15:00-	Robert Singleterry	Simple Comparisons of Stochastic and
15:30	NASA Langley Research Center USA	Deterministic Codes to OLTARI S for Space Radiation Models and Continuation into a Benchmark Set

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**Computational Methods I**

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15:30-	Arkady Serikov	Parallel computations for the auto-
16:00	FZK-EURATOM Germany	converted MCNP5 models of the ITER ECRH launcher
16:00-	Jan Jansen	Commissioning of a PC Cluster for the
16:30	Health Protection Agency, UK	calculation of scanner-specific normalised organ doses from CT
16:30-	Palani Selvam	Inclusion of Bragg-gray stopping-
17:00	Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, India	power ratios in the EGSnrc user-code SPRRZnrc

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**MCNEG AGM**

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**Trip to AMEC**

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**MCNEG 2008 Dinner**

# Thursday

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## Detector Design and Optimisation

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09:15- Sébastien Serre  
09:45 IRSN,  
France

Design of a Bonner sphere spectrometer adapted to high energy neutrons using MCNPX simulations

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09:45- Amokrane Allaoua  
10:15 IRSN,  
France

Use of Monte Carlo codes for the definition of a nuclei recoil detector for the reference establishment of neutron yields for IRSN-AMANDE facility

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10:15- Nima Ghal-Eh  
10:45 Damghan University of Basic Sciences,  
Iran

Light transport simulation in scintillators

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11:00- Mehdi Benmosbah  
11:30 IRSN,  
France

Response functions calculation of hydrogenous proportional counters using MCNPX

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## Validation and Verification

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11:30- Mark Bailey  
12:00 NPL,  
UK

Review of Monte Carlo codes by the Modelling Working Group of the Panel on Gamma and Electron Irradiation

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12:00- TBC  
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13:15- Daniel Kirby  
13:45 University of Birmingham,  
UK

A comparison of TRIM 2008, MCNPX 2.4 and 2.5 with measurements in a non-modulated 29 MeV proton beam

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13:45- TBC  
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14:15- Mark Bailey  
14:45 NPL,  
UK

Modelling a commercial cobalt-60 tote irradiator using the Monte Carlo code egsp, and validation using a real-time dosimeter

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## Computational Methods II

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15:00- Keith Searson  
15:30 Sellafield Ltd,

Trimmed NURBS Surface Tracking

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15:30- 16:00	Jaakko Leppänen VTT Technical Research Centre Finland	The use of a unionized energy grid in the PSG continuous energy Monte Carlo reactor physics code.
16:00- 16:30	Emiliano Spezi Velindre Cancer Centre UK	The RTGrid project: clinical deployment of Monte Carlo simulations for radiotherapy treatments using the UK e-Science Grid
16:30- 17:00	Pat Cowan Serco UK	Whole Body modelling using the VOXEL Hole in MCBEND

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