Safety Management Group

1. Abstract

The RIKEN Nishina Center for Accelerator-Based Science possesses one of the largest accelerator facilities in the world, which consists of two heavy-ion linear accelerators and five cyclotrons. This is the only site in Japan where uranium ions are accelerated. The center also has electron accelerators of microtron and synchrotron storage ring. Our function is to keep the radiation level in and around the facility below the allowable limit and to keep the exposure of workers as low as reasonably achievable. We are also involved in the safety management of the Radioisotope Center, where many types of experiments are performed with sealed and unsealed radioisotopes.

2. Major Research Subjects

- (1) Safety management at radiation facilities of Nishina Center for Accelerator-Based Science
- (2) Safety management at Radioisotope Center
- (3) Radiation shielding design and development of accelerator safety systems

3. Summary of Research Activity

Our most important task is to keep the personnel exposure as low as reasonably achievable, and to prevent an accident. Therefore, we daily patrol the facility, measure the ambient dose rates, maintain the survey meters, shield doors and facilities of exhaust air and wastewater, replenish the protective supplies, and manage the radioactive waste. Advice, supervision and assistance at major accelerator maintenance works are also our task.

Minor improvements of the radiation safety systems were also done. The old exhaust equipment for the radiation-controlled area in the RIBF experimental building was replaced. A small and fully effective shielding for the RI production beamline in the Linac building was designed by using a Monte-Calo radiation transport calculation code.

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