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DSRS Management in Russia

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The legal basis of the RF policy in the field of the RW management is

- the Constitution and legislation of the Russian Federation
- norms of the international law and provisions of international agreements



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The legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of RW management is regulated by the Constitution of the Russian Federation and includes:

- the Federal Law “On the Use of Atomic Energy”
- the Federal Law “On the Radiation Safety of the Public”
- the Federal Law “On the Sanitary and Epidemiological Well-Being of the Public”
- the Federal Law “On the Environmental Protection” and other legislative and regulatory acts

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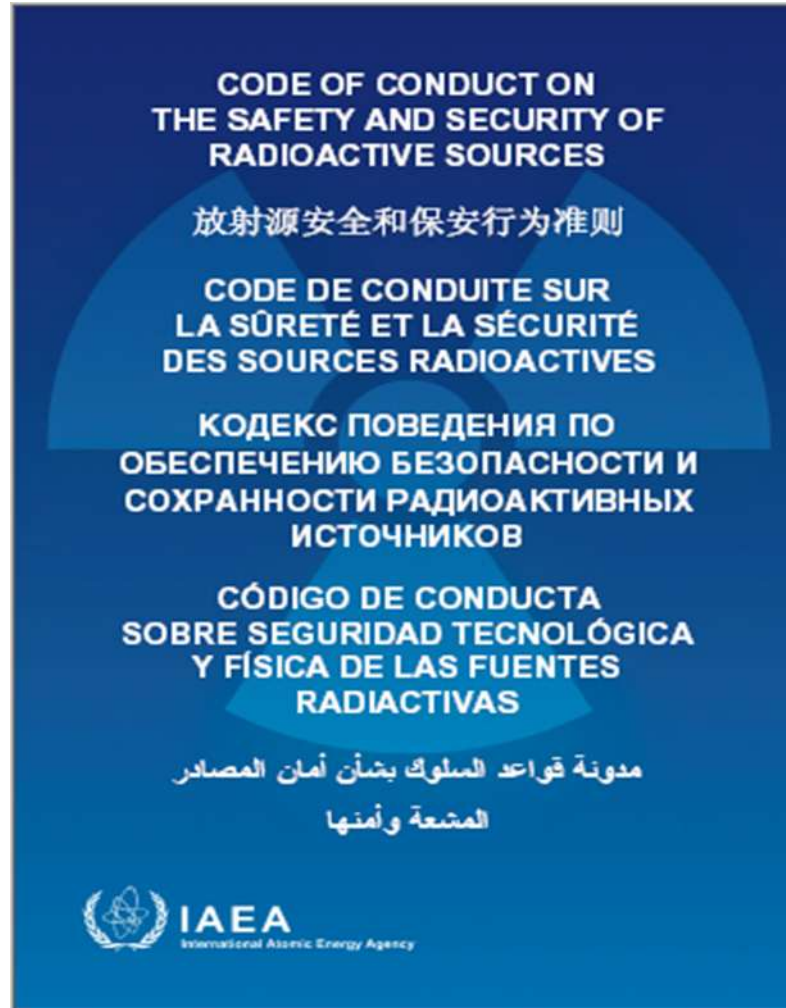
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Norms of the international law and provisions of international agreements include:

- Joint Convention
- Code of Conduct
- Guidance on the Import/Export...

+ recent IAEA Safety Standards, including RS-G-1.9

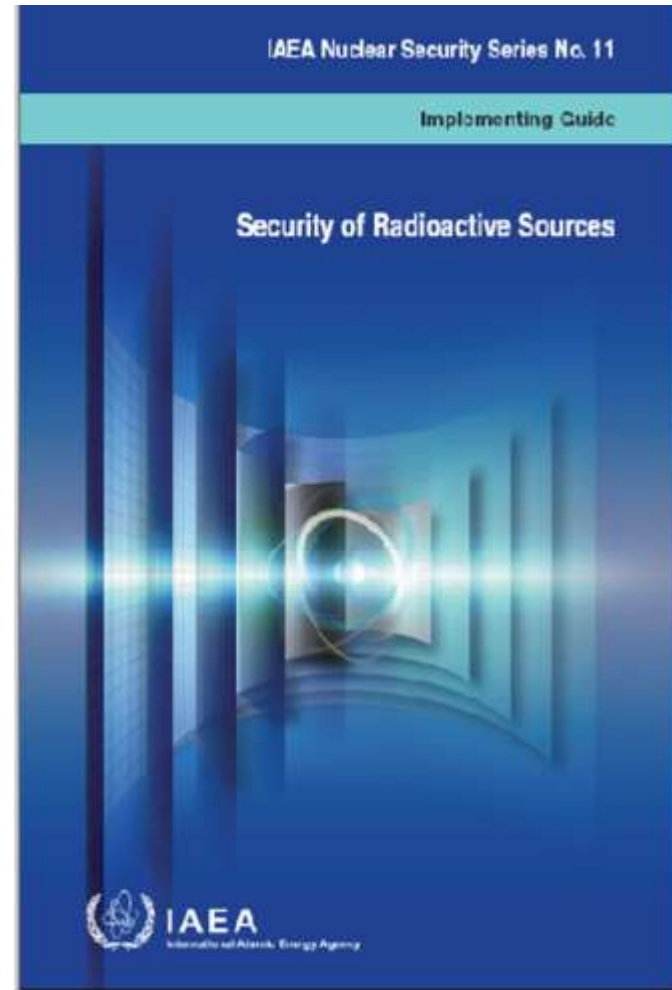


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Revision of existing documents:

- NP-38-02 General Provisions for Ensuring Safety of Radiation Sources
- NP-39-02 Requirements on Contents of Safety Assessment for Radiation Sources
- RD-10-04-2006 Guidance on Surveillance for RTG

МИНИСТЕРСТВО ПРИРОДНЫХ РЕСУРСОВ И ЭКОЛОГИИ
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Revision of existing documents:

Introducing
and defining 5 categories of
radioactive sources,
new waste classification and
new ideas from the draft of
Federal Law on RWM

using
RB-042-07 Methodology for
DSRS Categorization on their
potential hazard

IAEA Safety Standards

for protecting people and the environment

Categorization of
Radioactive Sources

Safety Guide

No. RS-G-1.9



IAEA
International Atomic Energy Agency



RTG problem

Decommissioning of RTGs with expired life is a problem by itself

- Presently there are more than 700 RTGs in Russia in operation or subject to decommissioning
- In 10 – 15 years the planned operational life of all RTGs in operation presently will be over
- Rosatom has developed the routine for organization of works for decommissioning of RTGs and has determined the timeframe, when such works should be completed

Safe management of RTGs is complicated by the fact that the organizations performing the operation of RTGs, belong to different ministries and departments



RADON System

- The system of “Radon” enterprises was established in early 60s
 - Aim: collection, treatment and storage of LILW wastes, generated in medicine, research institutions, various branches of industry.
 - 35 “Radon” facilities in Soviet Union
 - 16 of them in Russian Federation



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RADON System



1 - Moscow «Radon» Facility

2 - Leningrad «Radon» Facility

3 - Volgograd «Radon» Facility

4 - Nizhny Novgorod «Radon» Facility

5 - Grozny «Radon» Facility

6 - Irkutsk «Radon» Facility

7 - Kazan «Radon» Facility

8 - Samara «Radon» Facility

9 - Murmansk «Radon» Facility

10 - Novosibirsk «Radon» Facility

11 - Rostov «Radon» Facility

12 - Saratov «Radon» Facility

13 - Sverdlovsk «Radon» Facility

14 - Bashkirskiy «Radon» Facility

15 - Chelyabinsk «Radon» Facility

16 - Khabarovsk «Radon» Facility



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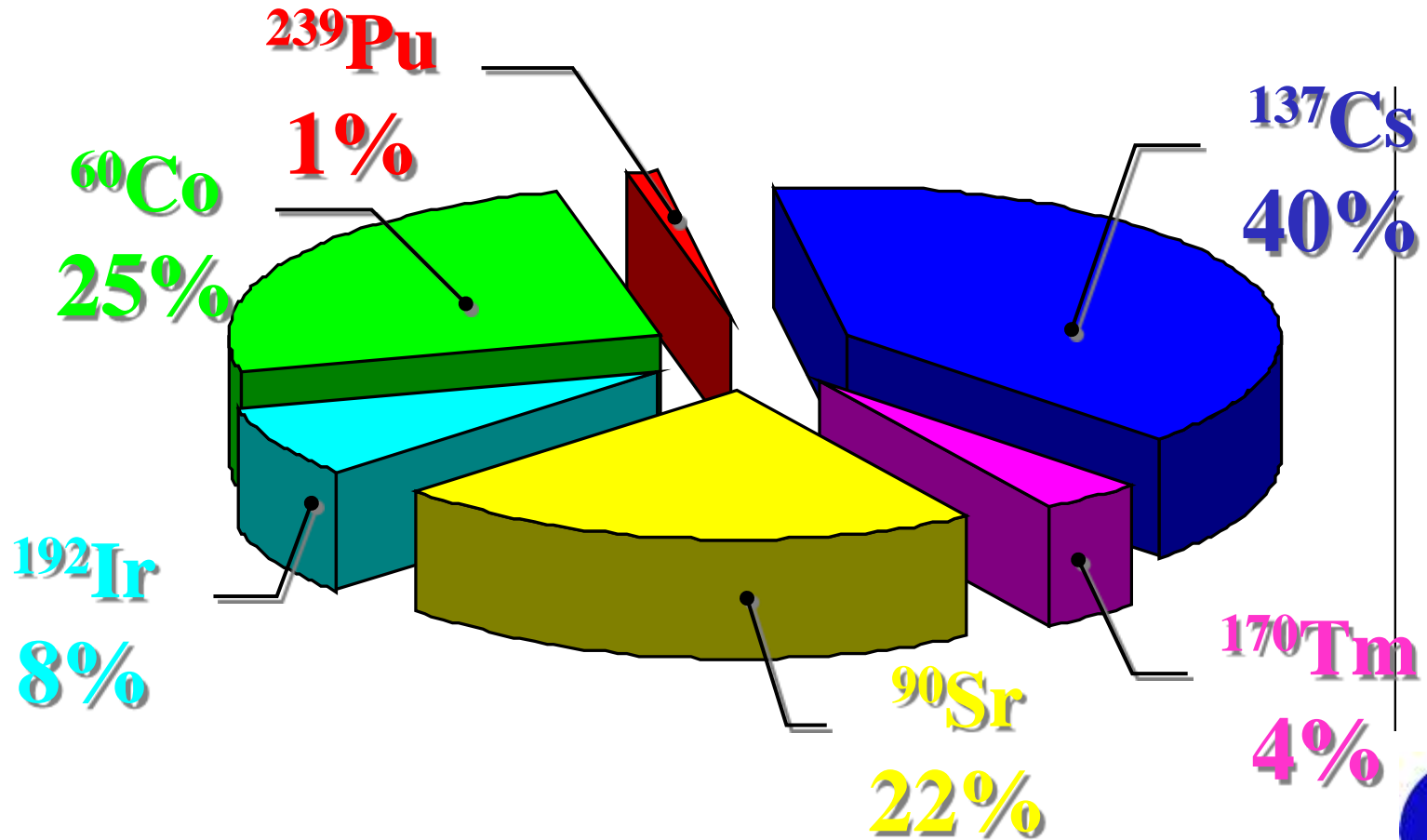
Disused Sealed Radiation Sources

- Form for the main part of the radionuclide activity at “Radon” facilities
- DSRS sources are radioactive waste with extremely high level of specific activity
- Average radionuclide composition:
Cs-137 (40 %), Co-60 (25 %), Sr-90 (22 %),
Ir-192 (8 %), Tm-170 (4 %).



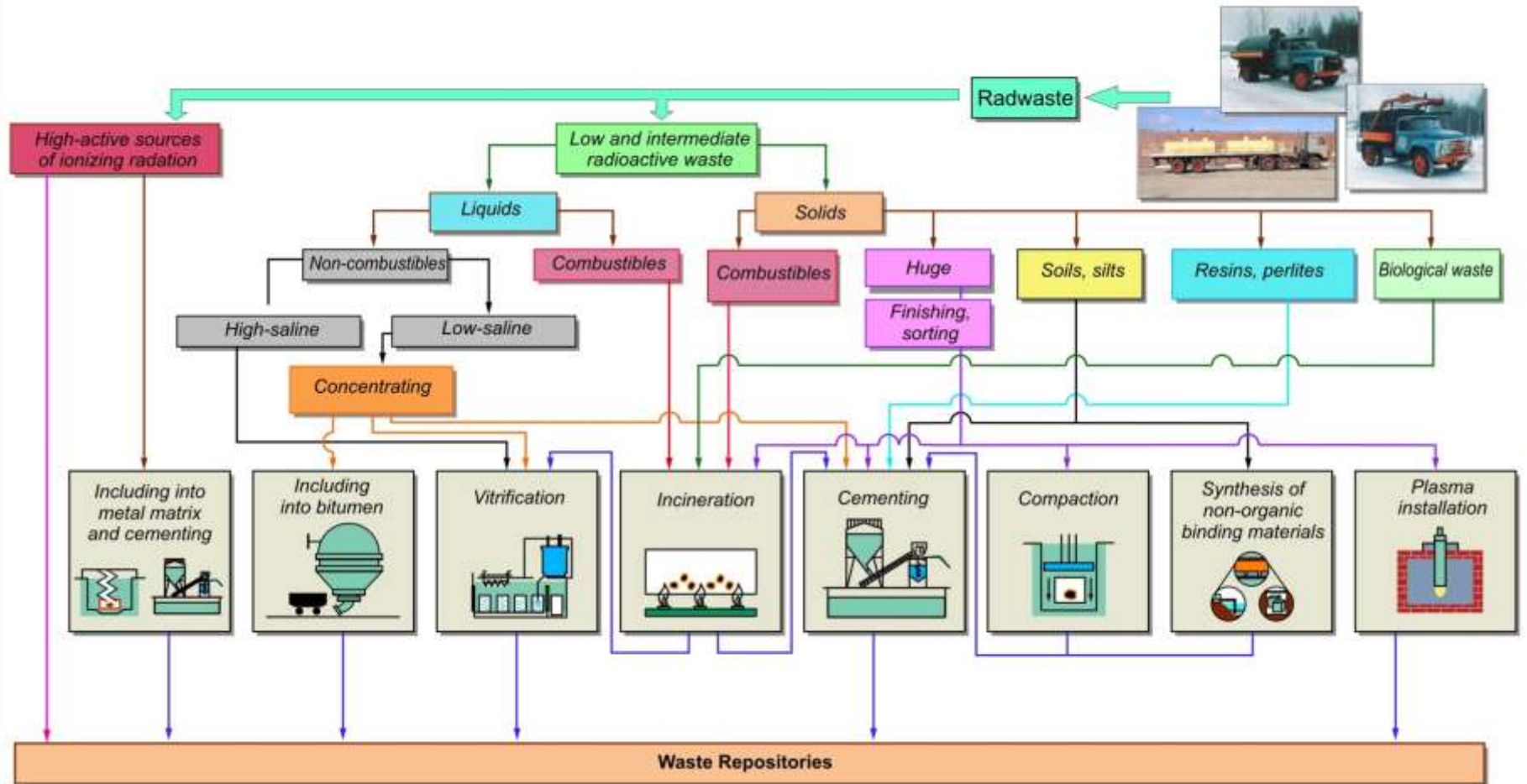
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Disused Sealed Radiation Sources



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General Scheme of RAW Management



DSRS streams

Only 4 of 18 waste groups formed on the basis of the License and applied technologies:

- **short lived radionuclides, high activity**

Co-60, Cs-137, Sr-90 etc.;

- **long lived and alpha-radiating sources:**

- **Ra-containing sources**

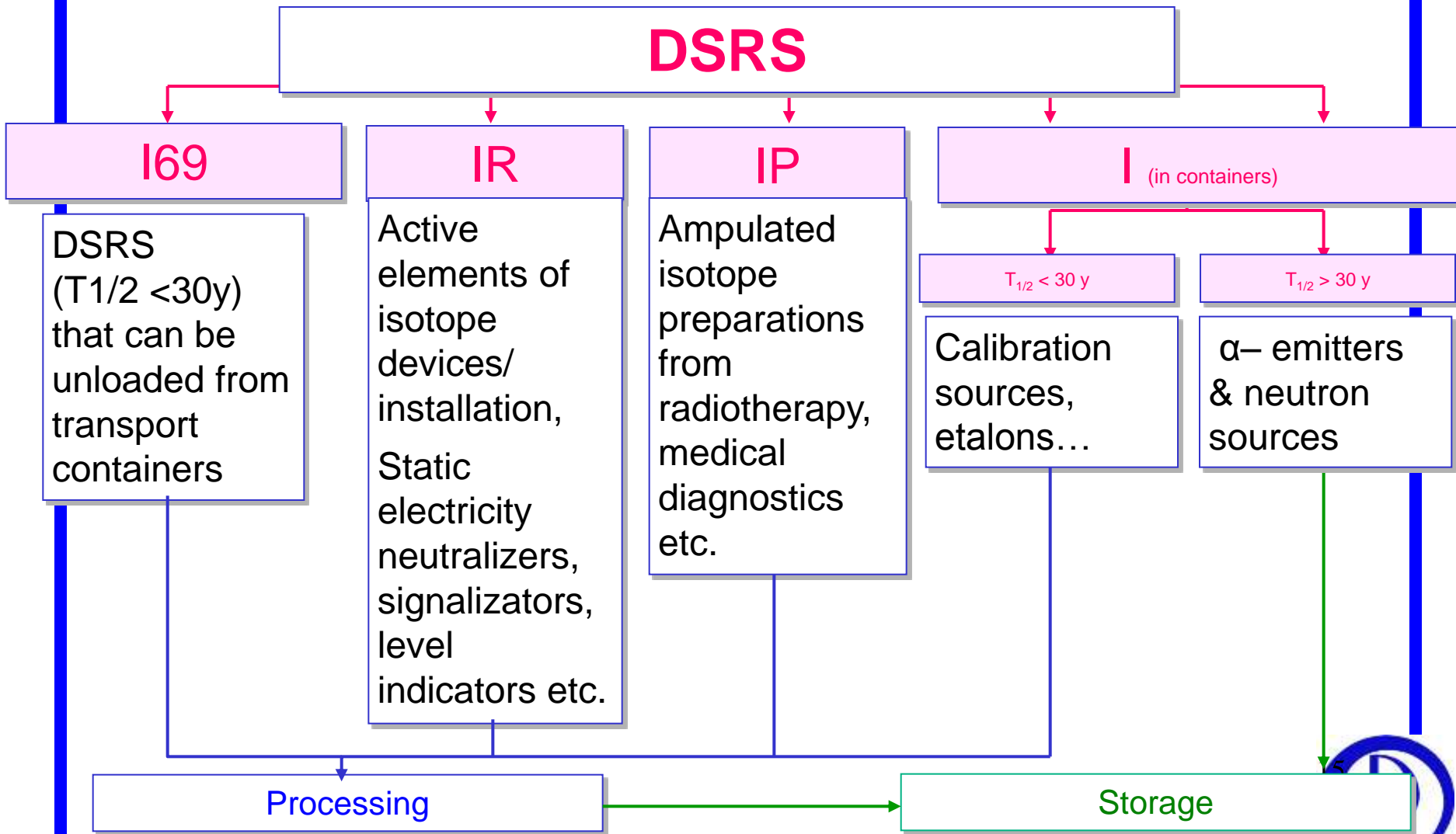
- **Neutron sources (Pu-Be, Po-Be, Cf-252 etc)**

- - **sources from smoke detectors and other radioisotopic devices**



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Statistical DSRS Types



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DSRS Inventory

DSRS type	Radionuclides	Activity, Bq	Amount (number), ps
I69	⁶⁰ Co	$3 \cdot 10^{16}$	437
	¹³⁷ Cs	$2 \cdot 10^{15}$	64
	¹⁷⁰ Tm	$3 \cdot 10^{11}$	1
	¹⁹² Ir		
	⁷⁵ Se		
	¹⁵² Eu		
	²²⁶ Ra		
	¹⁴⁴ Ce		
IR	⁶³ Ni	$4 \cdot 10^9$	5
	²³⁹ Pu	$3 \cdot 10^{11}$	215
	¹⁴⁷ Pm	$5 \cdot 10^9$	4
	²⁴¹ Am	$7 \cdot 10^{11}$	104
	⁹⁰ Sr	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$	214
	²³⁸ U	$3 \cdot 10^4$	5
	²²⁶ Ra	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$	17
I	¹³⁷ Cs	$8 \cdot 10^{13}$	1505
	⁶⁰ Co	$4 \cdot 10^{13}$	189
	¹⁴⁴ Ce	$1 \cdot 10^{13}$	4
	²¹⁰ Po	$7 \cdot 10^{12}$	1



DSRS Management

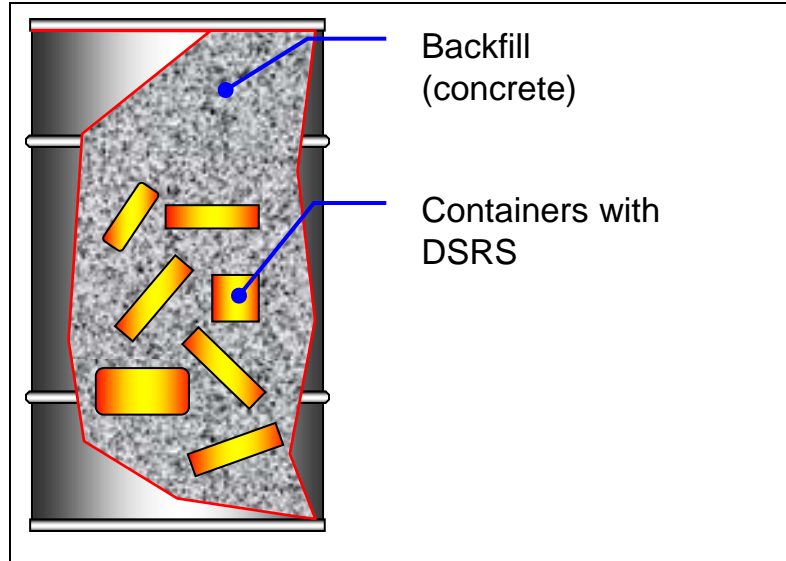
<i>DSRS type</i>	<i>Operations</i>	<i>Emplacement</i>
<i>169</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Use of specific transport containers (KI-400, KTB-26-12, «model № 9308», UKT1V-250-5 & UKT1V-250-12)■ Unloading into special boreholes■ Immobilization using metal matrix	Facility 69 with special boreholes
<i>I, IR, IP</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Conditioning■ Repackage & conditioning■ Conditioning in “drum-in-drum” package	Facility 103



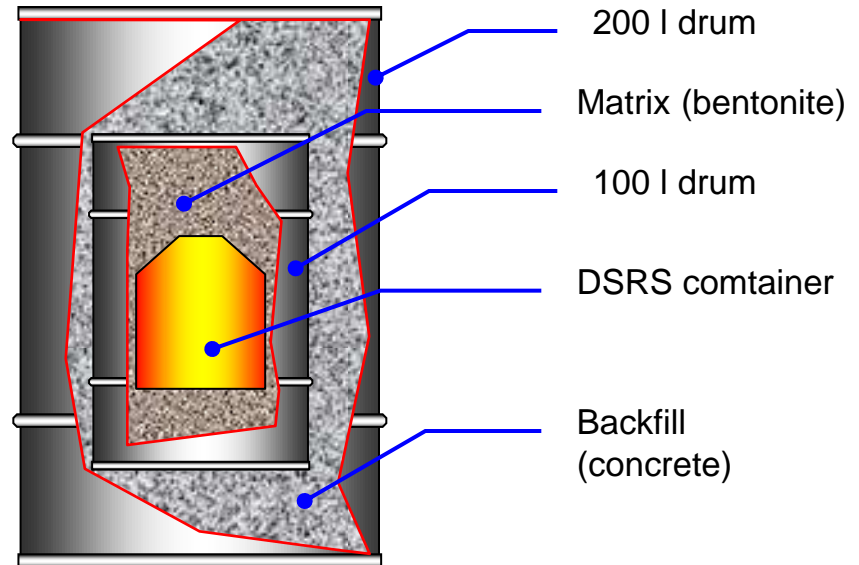
DSRS in containers ($T_{1/2} < 30$ y)

Radioisotope devices

Management technology



Conditioning in “drum-in-drum” packages



“Drum-in-drum” pack is used for

Waste of different groups with α -radionuclides in amount close to acceptable limits

Neutron sources

Waste containing ^3H and/or ^{14}C more then $4 \cdot 10^{11}$ Bq per papackage

DSRS Conditioning

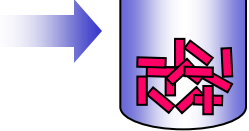


Cementing plant

Cement (in solution)



Container with DSRS

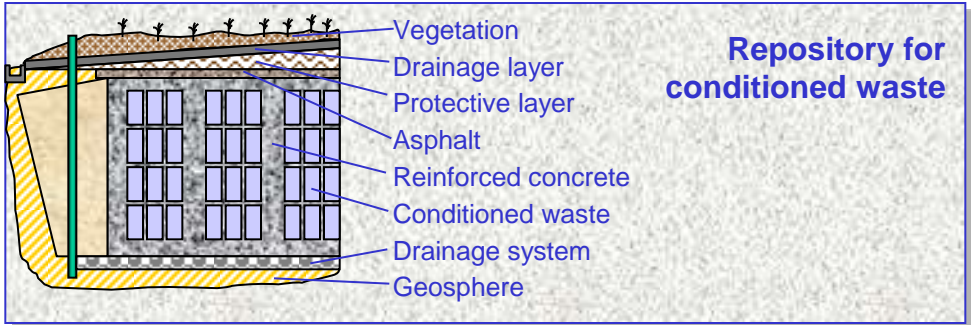


Cement compound control (GOST P 51883-2002)

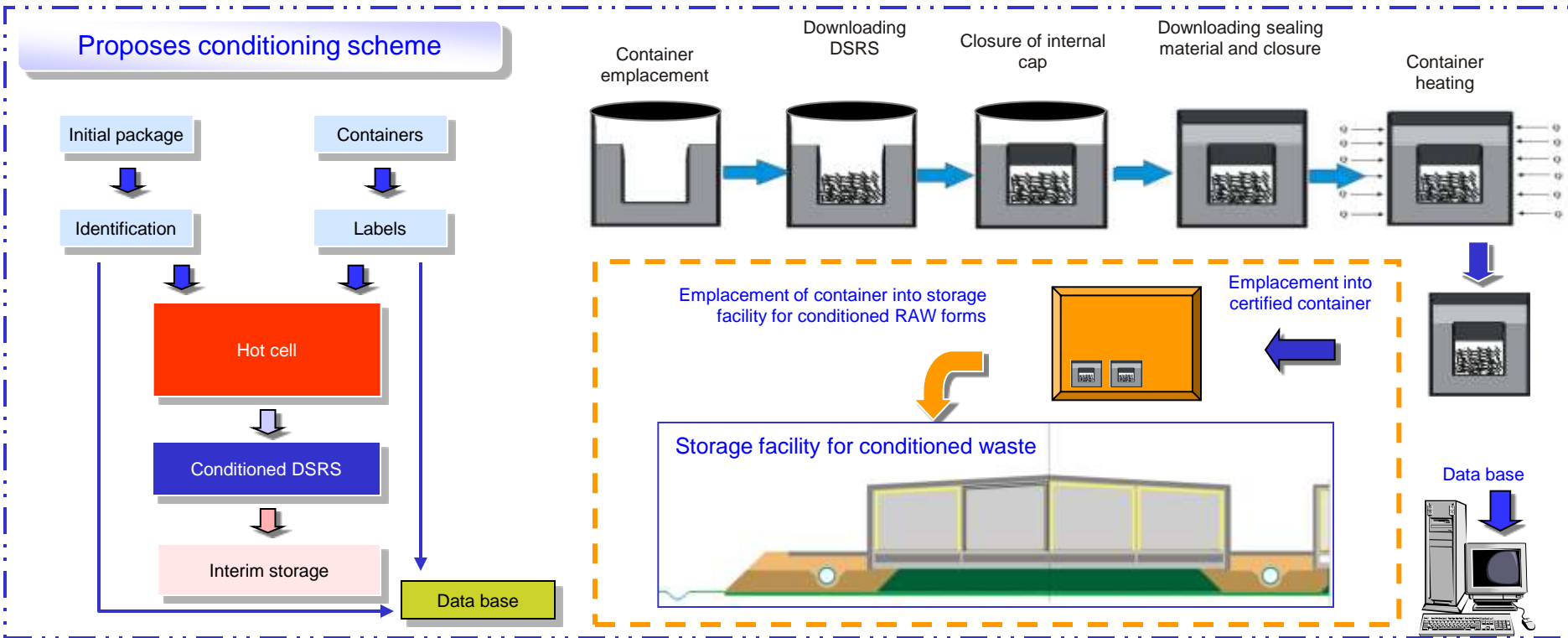
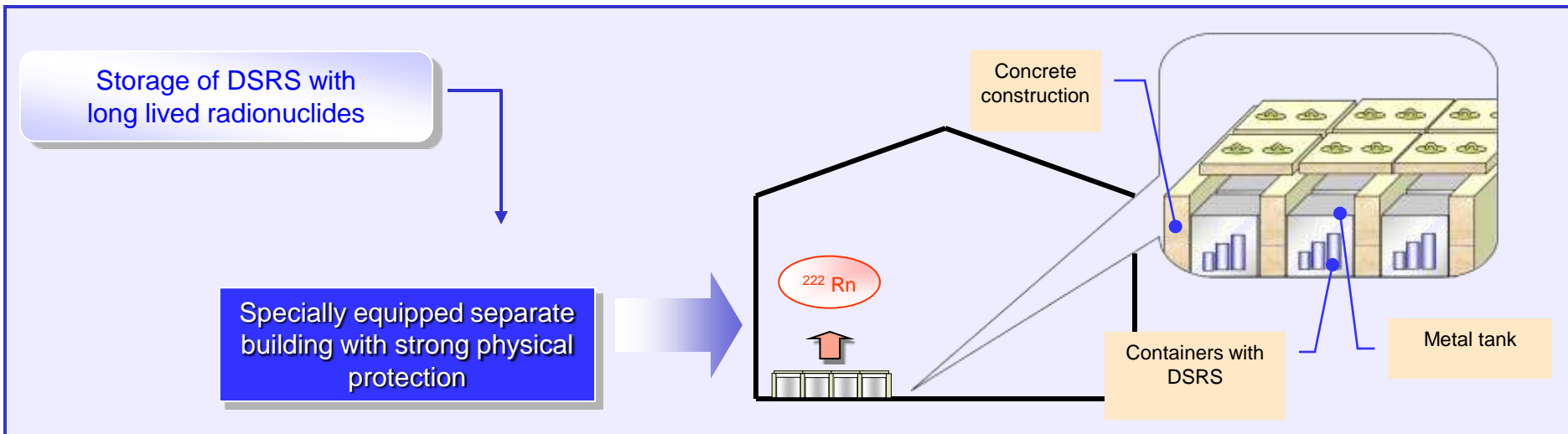
Контроль качества кондиционированных РАО



Solidification site

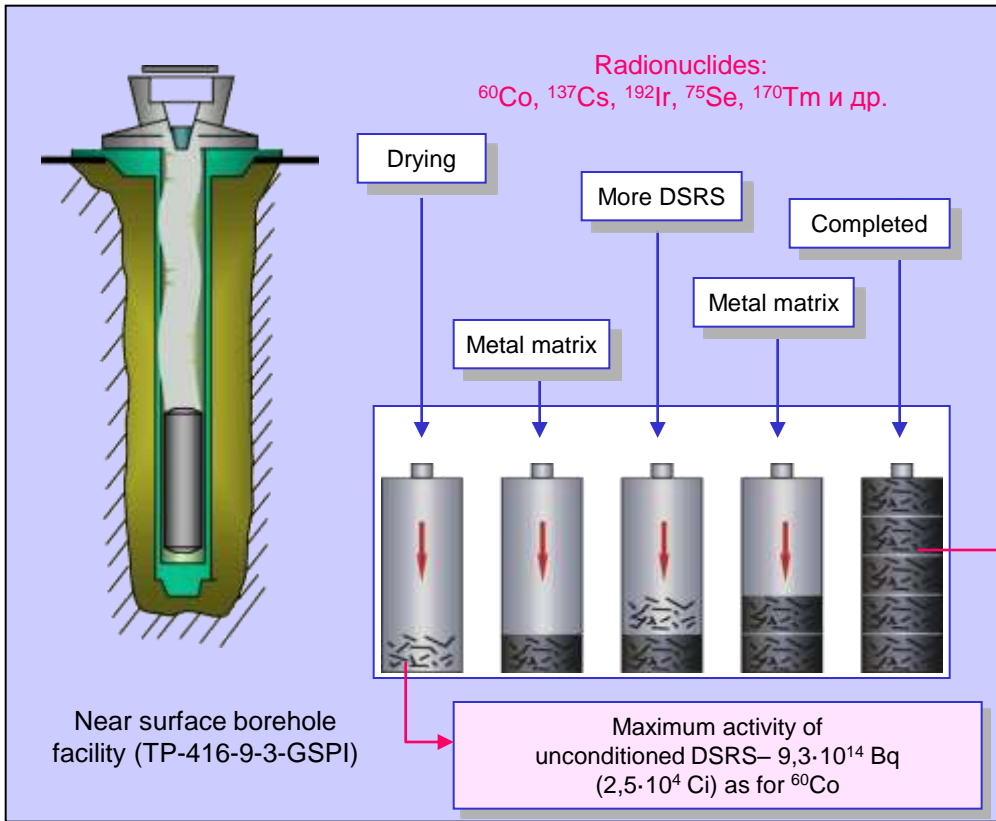


DSRS in containers ($T_{1/2} > 30$ y)



DSRD unloaded from containers

Including DSRS into metal matrix



Conditioning plants

Maximum activity of conditioned DSRS – $6,6 \cdot 10^{15}$ Bq ($1,8 \cdot 10^5$ Ci) as for ^{60}Co



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Borehole Type Repositories



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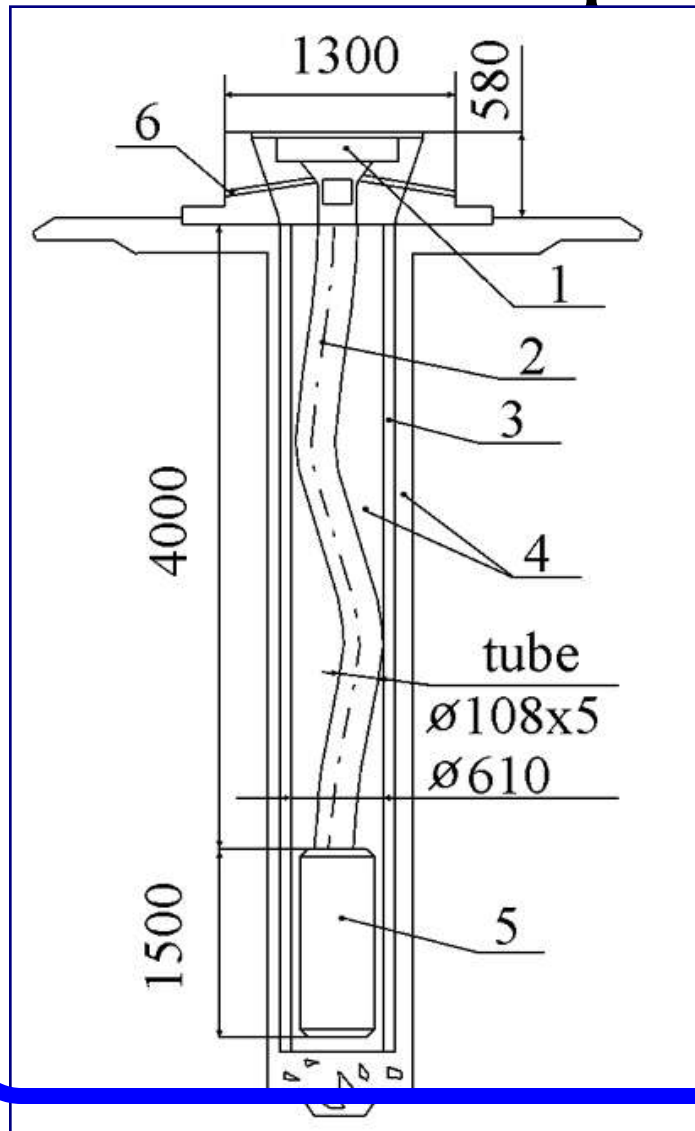
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Implementation

- **The technology of encapsulation of spent sources into lead matrix has been used since 1986 at MosSIA RADON.**
- **Since 1990 a new technique has come into use at the regional centers of radioactive waste disposal such as Volgograd, Nizhny Novgorod and Sverdlovsk regional repositories.**



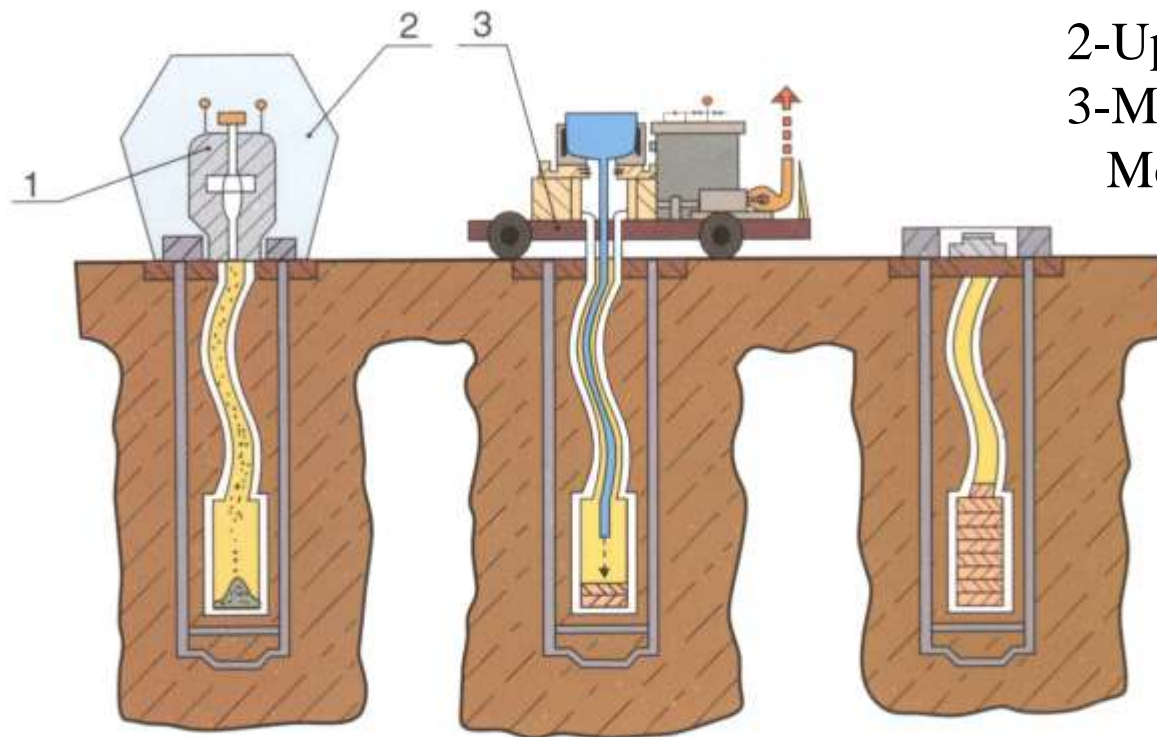
MosSIA "Radon" Borehole Repository



- 1 - carbon steel conical socket
- 2 - stainless steel loading channel
- 3 - steel-enforced concrete well
- 4 - concrete
- 5 - stainless steel cylindrical vessel
- 6 - drainage channel

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Immobilization Technology



1-Container;
2-Uploading Unit;
3-MOSKIT-T
Mobile Plant

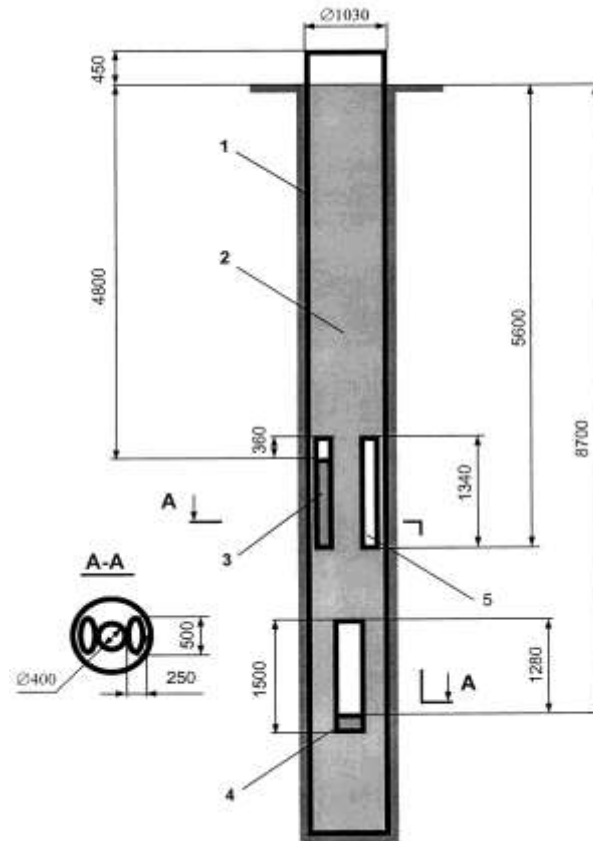
Технология захоронения отработавших источников:

- 1 — Контейнер;
- 2 — Транспортно-перегрузочное устройство;
- 3 — Установка «Москит-Т»



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Bore-hole Type Repository



Bore-hole Type Repository

- According to the operating practice and results of preliminary assessment upgrading technology of immobilization of SSRS using lead-based alloys in bore-hole repositories is an effective tool to increase safety of DSRS storage... or disposal?



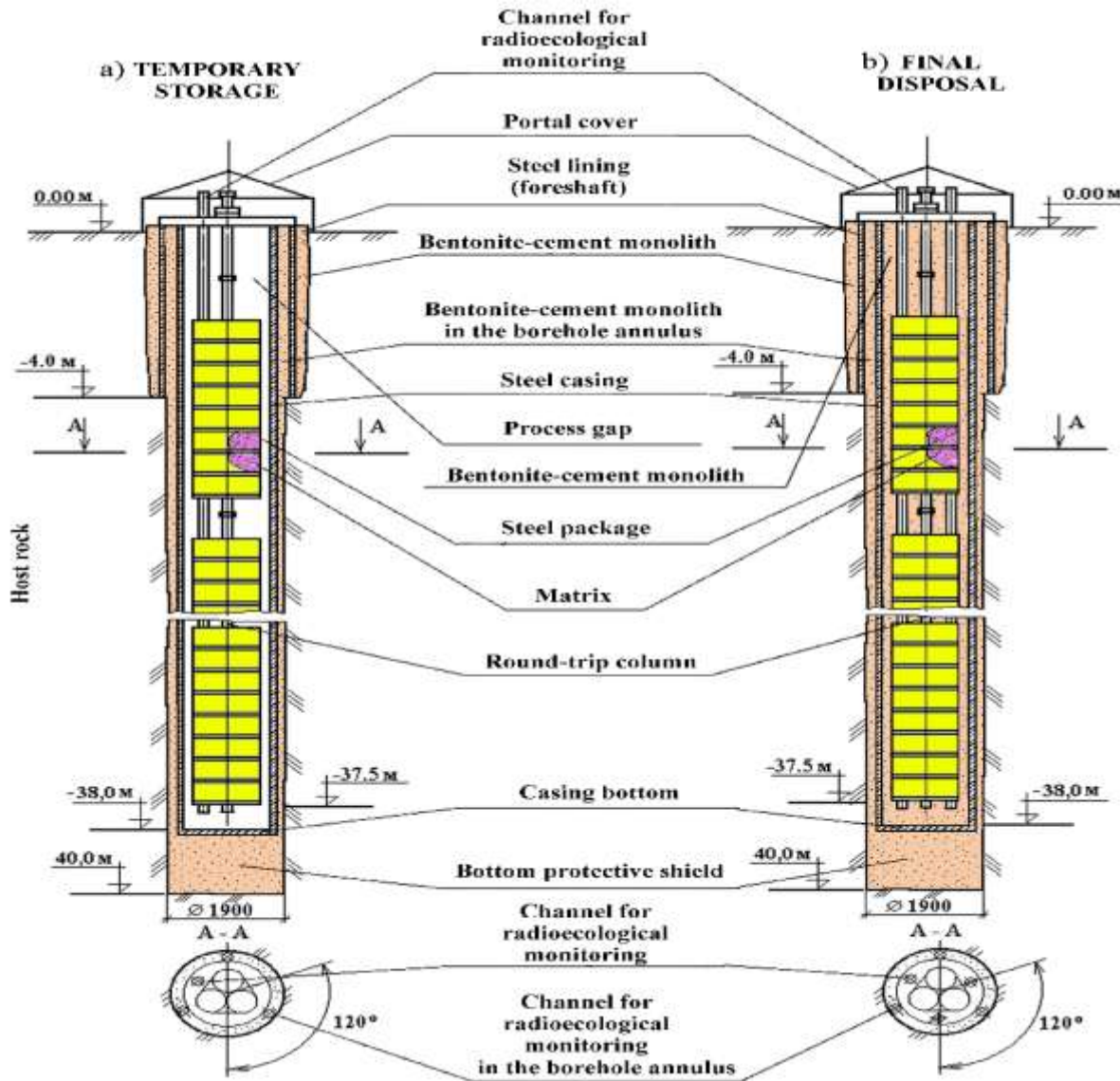
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The Large Diameter Borehole type repositories:

- ❖ may range from 1 to 5 or 6 m in a diameter depending on drilling rig capabilities and performance parameters of the repository in whole
- ❖ the depth of the wells depends on geological and hydro-geological conditions of the site





Large diameter Borehole for LILW storage (a) and final disposal (b).

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It is worth noting that the wells may be used both **for storage and disposal**. In the first case the LILW containers are stored in a dry well and may be recovered at any time. In the second case, the void space between the containers and casing pipe is filled with bentonite-cement mortar and the wastes are not subject to recovery.

Control of near field rocks and leakproofness of the repository is provided by a **monitoring system**. The system consists of wells equipped with a set of high resolution seismic gages and radiometric equipment for monitoring any possible radionuclide release out of the repository boundaries.

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Most critical issues:

Gaps in the National Legislation and Regulation, multiple regulation

Legacy DSRS

Loss of regulatory control and responsibilities due to political changes, termination of defense and military programs and elimination of data records

Absence of final disposal facility (for DRSR)

