

ENTRY NO. 59
NAME OF MACHINE NAC Pretoria Cyclotron
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HISTORY AND STATUS

DESIGN, date 1950 Model tests -
 ENG DESIGN, date 1951 - 1953
 CONSTRUCTION, date 1953 - 1958
 FIRST BEAM, date (or goal) 1958
 MAJOR ALTERATIONS (See below)

COST, ACCELERATOR
 COST, FACILITY, total R200 000 (1958)
 FUNDED BY CSIR

ACCELERATOR STAFF, OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT
 SCIENTISTS - ENGINEERS 1 (part-time)
 TECHNICIANS 6 CRAFTS 2
 GRAD STUDENTS involved during year -
 OPERATED BY Research staff or 5 Operators
 OPERATION 136 hr/wk. On target 110 hr/wk
 TIME DISTR. in house 100 % Outside - %
 BUDGET, op & dev -
 FUNDED BY CSIR

RESEARCH STAFF, not included above
 USERS, in house 4 outside 3
 GRAD STUDENTS involved during year -
 RESEARCH BUDGET, in house -
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MAGNET
 POLE FACE, diameter (compact) 112 cm, R extraction 49.5 cm
 R injection - cm
 GAP, min 14.7 cm, Field 17.7 kG }
 max min 15.9 cm, Field 16.4 kG } at 0.32×10^6
 AVERAGE FIELD at R ext 17.0 kG } Ampere turns
 B max / < B > 1.04 }
 NUMBER OF SECTORS { compact 3 } Spiral, max 0 deg
 { separated - }
 SECTOR ANGLE (SSC) - deg

TRIMMING COILS Two sets of circular coils and one set of harmonic coils.
 CONDUCTOR, material and type Aluminium
 STORED ENERGY (cryogenic) 0.2 MJ
 POWER: main coils 70 max, kW; current stability 10^{-4}
 trimming coils 2 max, kW; current stability 10^{-3}
 WEIGHT: Fe 7.8 tons; coils 5.4 tons
 COOLING system Demineralised water
 ION ENERGY (bending limit) E/A = 32 q²/a² MEV/amu
 (focusing limit) E/A = 15.3 q/a MeV/amu

ACCELERATION SYSTEM
 DEES, number 2, 140 deg
 BEAM APERTURE 5 cm; DC Bias - kV
 TUNED by, coarse MS fine VC, AUTO
 RF 10.8 to 17.4 MHz, stable ± 10 ppm
 Orb F 10.8 to 17.4 MHz
 HARMONICS, RF/Orb F, used 1
 DEE-Gnd, max 72 kV, min gap 1 cm
 STABILITY, (pk-pk noise)/(pk RF volt) -
 ENERGY GAIN, max 270 kV/turn
 RF PHASE, stable to \pm deg
 RF POWER input, max 2 x 20 kW
 FREQUENCY MODULATION, rate - /s
 modulator, type -
 beam pulse, width -

VACUUM SYSTEM
 OPERATING PRESSURE 50×10^{-6} Torr or mbar
 PUMPS, No, Type, Size
 2 Diffusion, HV $2.2 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $1 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$
 2 Roughing, $176 \text{ m}^3 \text{ h}^{-1}$ and $15 \text{ m}^3 \text{ h}^{-1}$

ION SOURCES
 Internal Hot Cathode Source

INJECTION SYSTEM

EXTRACTION SYSTEM
 DC Electrostatic Channel, Two Magnetic Channels

FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH
 SHIELDED AREA, fixed 150 m², movable 0 m²
 TARGET STATIONS 3 in 1 room
 STATIONS served at same time, max 1
 MAG SPECTROGRAPH, type -
 COMPUTER model -
 OTHER FACILITIES 1. Isotope Production Facility
 2. Fast Neutron Facility

CHARACTERISTIC BEAMS

PARTICLE	ENERGY (MeV)		CURRENT (μA)	
	Goal	Achieved	Internal	External
p	8	5.8-15.3	700	60
d	16	11.5-17.3	700	60
³ He	-	18-38	150	50
⁴ He	32	23-34.6	150	50

SECONDARY (part/s)
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BEAM PROPERTIES

MEASURED	CONDITIONS	
	PULSE WIDTH	PHASE EXC.
PULSE WIDTH	RF deg	μA of MeV ions
PHASE EXC. max	RF deg	μA of MeV d ions
EXTRACT eff	%	μA of MeV d ions
RESOL $\Delta E/E$	%	μA of MeV ions
EMITTANCE	(π mm. mrad) { .7, 2 axial } { .7, 2 rad }	μA of MeV d

OPERATING PROGRAMS, time distribution
 BASIC NUCLEAR PHYSICS 0% SOLID STATES PHYSICS 0%
 BIOMEDICAL APPLICAT 15% ISOTOPE PRODUCTIONS 78%

REFERENCES/NOTES

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PLAN VIEW OF FACILITY, COMMENTS, ETC.

During 1960 Thomas shims were installed in order to improve the vertical focusing.

The cyclotron has been modified for variable energy operation and for acceleration of ³He-ions during 1969. A ³He-recovering system has been installed.

Two magnetic channels have recently been installed in order to improve the focusing along the extraction orbit.

A fixed horizontal collimator, with a remote controlled variable field, for high-energy neutrons has been acquired and will be used for therapy and radiobiological studies.