

Brazilian Multipurpose Reactor Project (RMB)

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Sirius - Brazilian Synchrotron



RMB
Reator Multipropósito
Brasileiro

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Convênio CNPEM-CNEN

Today



LNSL - Brazilian Synchrotron

1997
Energy: 1.37 GeV
14 beamlines



IEA-R1

1957
Power: 4.5 MW
2 instruments



Sirius - Brazilian Synchrotron

2018
Energy: 3 GeV
40 beamlines



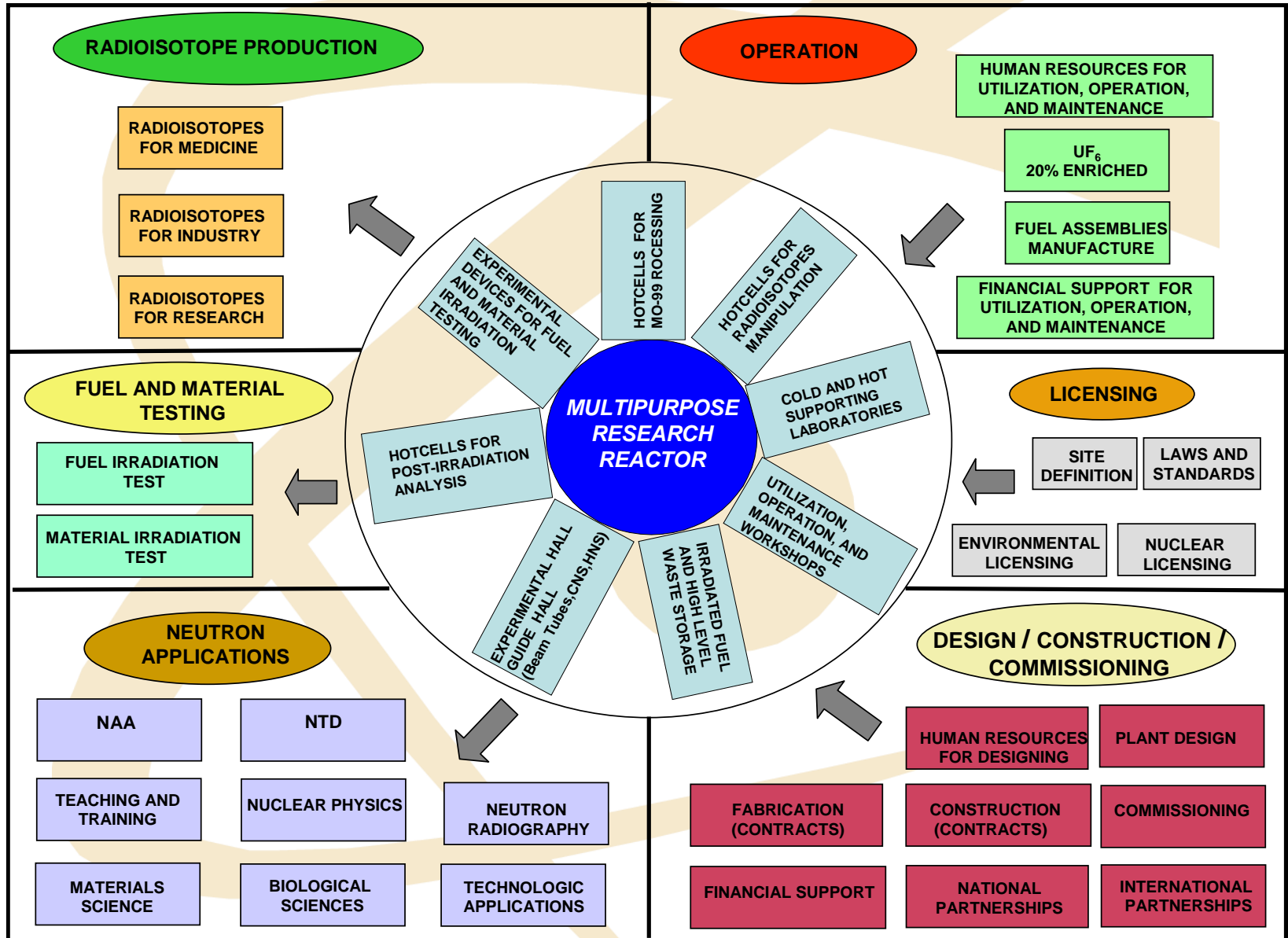
2018
Power: 30 MW
18 instruments

Brazilian Multipurpose Research Reactor (RMB)

Main Functions

- Radioisotope Production for Medical and Industrial Applications
- Fuel and Materials Irradiation Testing
- Neutron Beam Scientific and Technological Research
- Education and Training

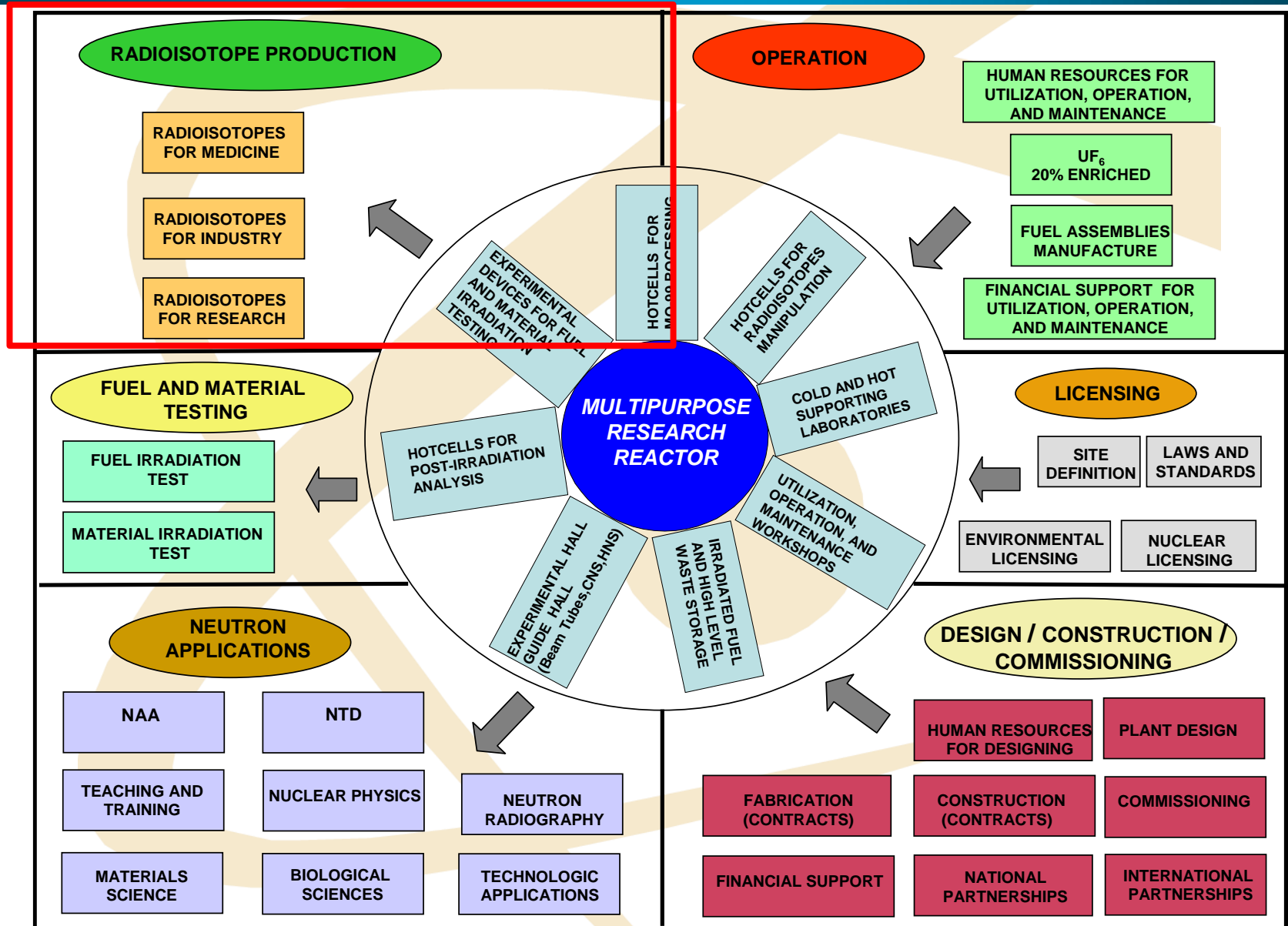
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Reactor Characteristics

- Open pool multipurpose research reactor with a primary cooling system through the core – OPAL RR as a reference model for conceptual design.
- The reactor core will be compact, using MTR fuel assembly type, with planar plates, U_3Si_2 -Al dispersion fuel with maximum $4,8 \text{ gU/cm}^3$ density and 20 % U-235 enrichment.
- The reactor core will be cooled and moderated by light water, using heavy water as reflector and light water and/or beryllium in one side of the core .
- Neutron flux (thermal and fast) higher than $2 \times 10^{14} \text{ n/cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}$.
- Maximum Thermal Power - 30 MW

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Radioisotope Production

➤ Radioisotope for Injectable Radiopharmaceuticals

- ❖ ^{99}Mo , ^{131}I , ^{51}Cr , ^{153}Sm , ^{177}Lu , ^{166}Ho , ^{90}Y , ^{188}W , ^{32}P
 - ✓ ^{99}Mo obtained by LEU target irradiation and processing
 - ✓ 1000 Ci/week (Today 350 Ci/week imported by IPEN and 450 Ci/week before the international crisis)

➤ Radioisotope for Brachtherapy

- ❖ ^{125}I , ^{192}Ir

➤ Radioisotope for Industry

- ❖ ^{192}Ir , ^{60}Co

➤ Tracers

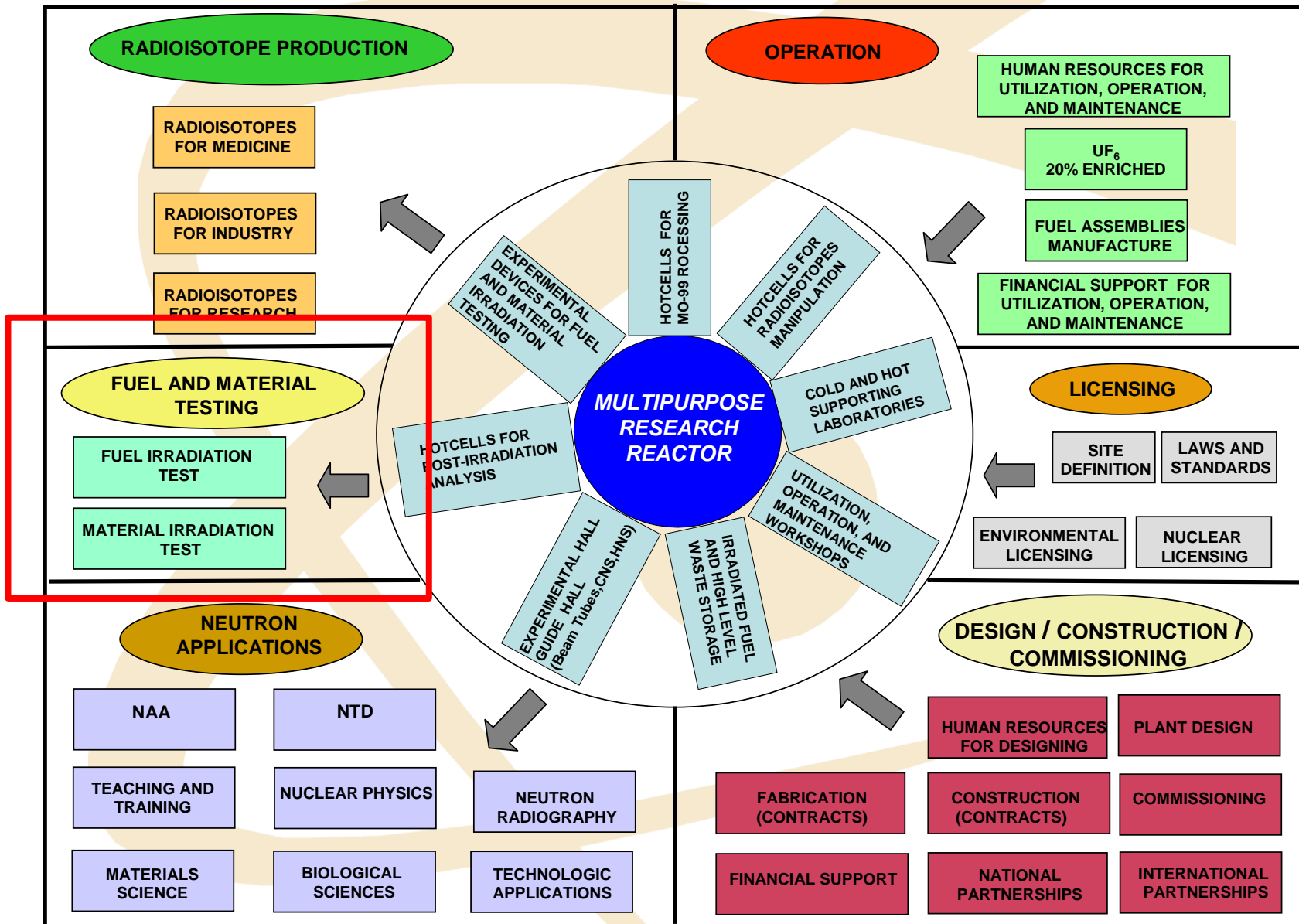
- ❖ ^{203}Hg , ^{131}I , ^{82}Br

Radioisotope Production

Infrastructure

- Processing hot cells for irradiated U targets (LEU) to produce ^{99}Mo and ^{131}I ;
- Hot cells for handling and transport preparation of produced radioisotopes;
- Special hot cells for radioactive sources processing and sealing;
- Hot cell and special devices for ^{125}I production;
- Shielded casks for radioisotope transportation;
- Irradiation devices for in core and in reflector radioisotope production;

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Nuclear Fuel and Materials Irradiation Test

Materials	Test Objective
Nuclear Fuels	Fuel Performance Characterization and Specification Optimization
Structural Materials	Life Extension of Nuclear Power Plants Characterization of Materials and Performance under Irradiation
All	Safety Analysis

Nuclear Fuels and Materials Irradiation Test

Irradiation Systems

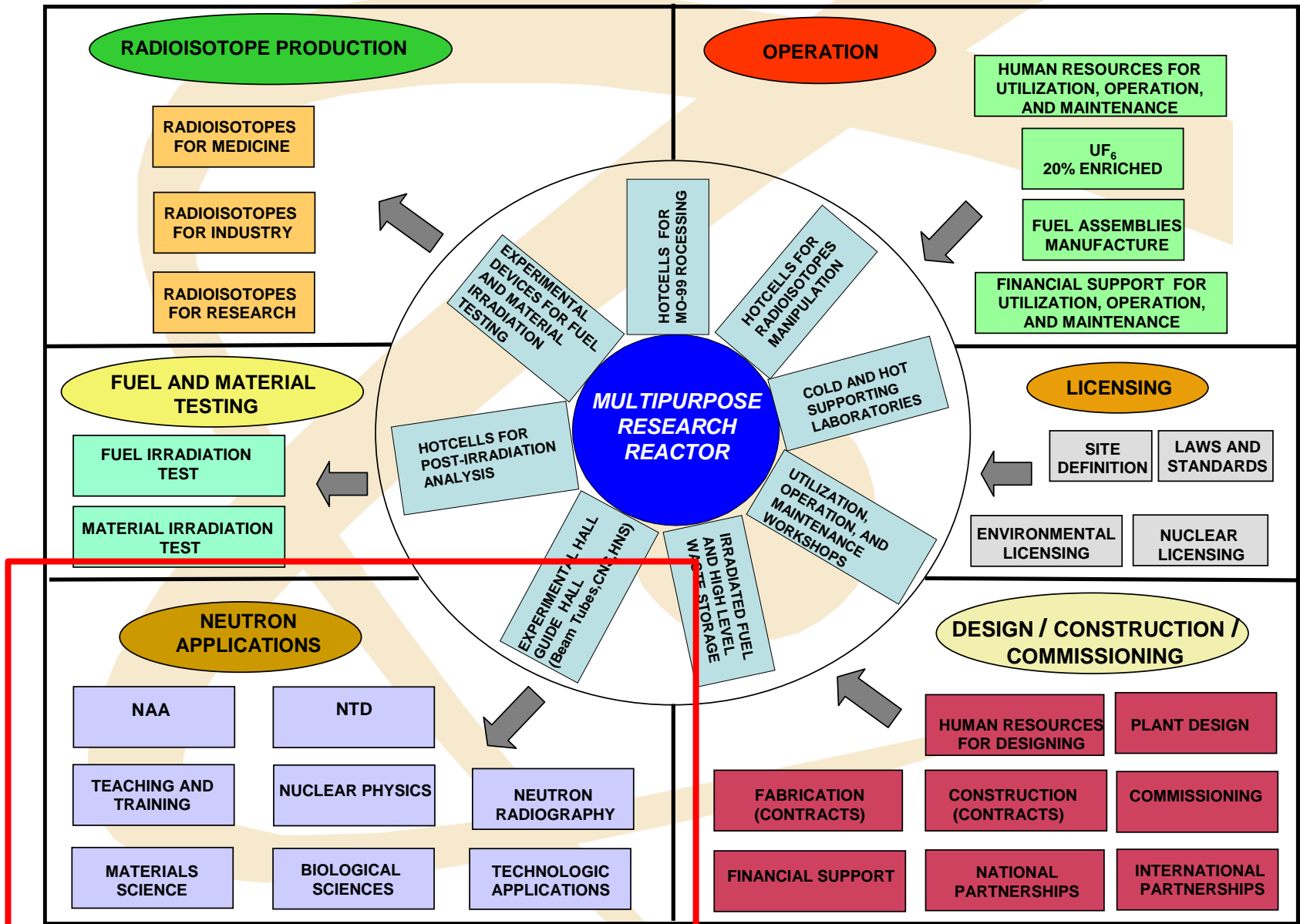
- Pressurized irradiation loops for fuel testing with pressure and cooling temperature control
- Irradiation capsules for fuel specimens testing
- Horizontal displacement devices for simulating power ramps and loading following
- Irradiation capsules with temperature control for structural materials testing
- Irradiation experiments control room and data collection systems
- Experimental devices for underwater nondestructive analysis (visual inspection, gamma scanning, sipping, etc)

Nuclear Fuels and Materials Irradiation Test

Post-irradiation Examination

- One hot cell laboratory for irradiated fuel and one hot cell laboratory for irradiated materials examination
- The hot cells laboratory shall allow:
 - Nondestructive physical characterization analysis of irradiated specimens
 - Puncturing and fission gas collection
 - Sample preparation for metallographic analysis
 - Optical microscopy
 - Physical and mechanical properties characterization equipment

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Neutron Beam Utilization

Neutron beam group:

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- To allow the possibility of at least three beam holes (today proposed 5)
- To project two beam holes with neutron guides: one for thermal and one for cold neutrons. Each beam hole shall have capacity for at least 2 neutron guides (today with 3 guides)
- The technical characteristics of each beam hole (dimensions and position) will be established during the preliminary design of the reactor.
- Each beam hole shall have a flux higher than:
 - 1×10^9 n/cm².s outside the reactor shielding; or
 - 1×10^{14} n/cm².s at the point of tangency near the core.

Neutron Beam Utilization

Initial Equipment Proposal

Thermal Neutrons Beam

Guide Hall

High Resolution Diffractometer

High Intensity Diffractometer

Reflectometer

Time-of-Flight Spectrometer

Experimental Hall

Triple-Axis Spectrometer

Neutron radiography

Cold Neutrons Beam

Small Angle Neutron Scattering

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Neutron Activation Analysis

- Neutron Activation Analysis at irradiation positions with thermal neutron flux in the range of 10^{11} to 10^{13} n/cm².s.
- One irradiation position with cadmium filter for epithermal neutrons activation.
- Pneumatic stations with transit time of 10 seconds, and one very fast station with transit time less than 10 seconds for analysis of radioisotopes with very high decay constant.
- Pneumatic stations for transportation of samples (long irradiation) from core to the radiochemical laboratory.
- Fission delayed neutron measurement system for samples containing U and Th.

Project Management

- Project managed by the Research and Development Directorate of the Brazilian Nuclear Energy Commission (DPD-CNEN)
- Scope and preliminary design, licensing process managing and commissioning verification performed by the Research Institutes of CNEN: IPEN, CDTN, IEN, CRCN
- CNEN – CNEA (Argentina) Cooperation Agreement on Reactor Design of RMB and RA-10 based on INVAP / Opal design
- Basic and detailed design, manufacturing, construction, assembling and their management will be carried out by national and international companies.
- Project technically supported by Brazilian Academy
- Project Cost estimation of US\$ 500 million (R\$ 1000 million)
- Project time span of at least 6 years after the first contract signature and availability of funds. (2013)

Site

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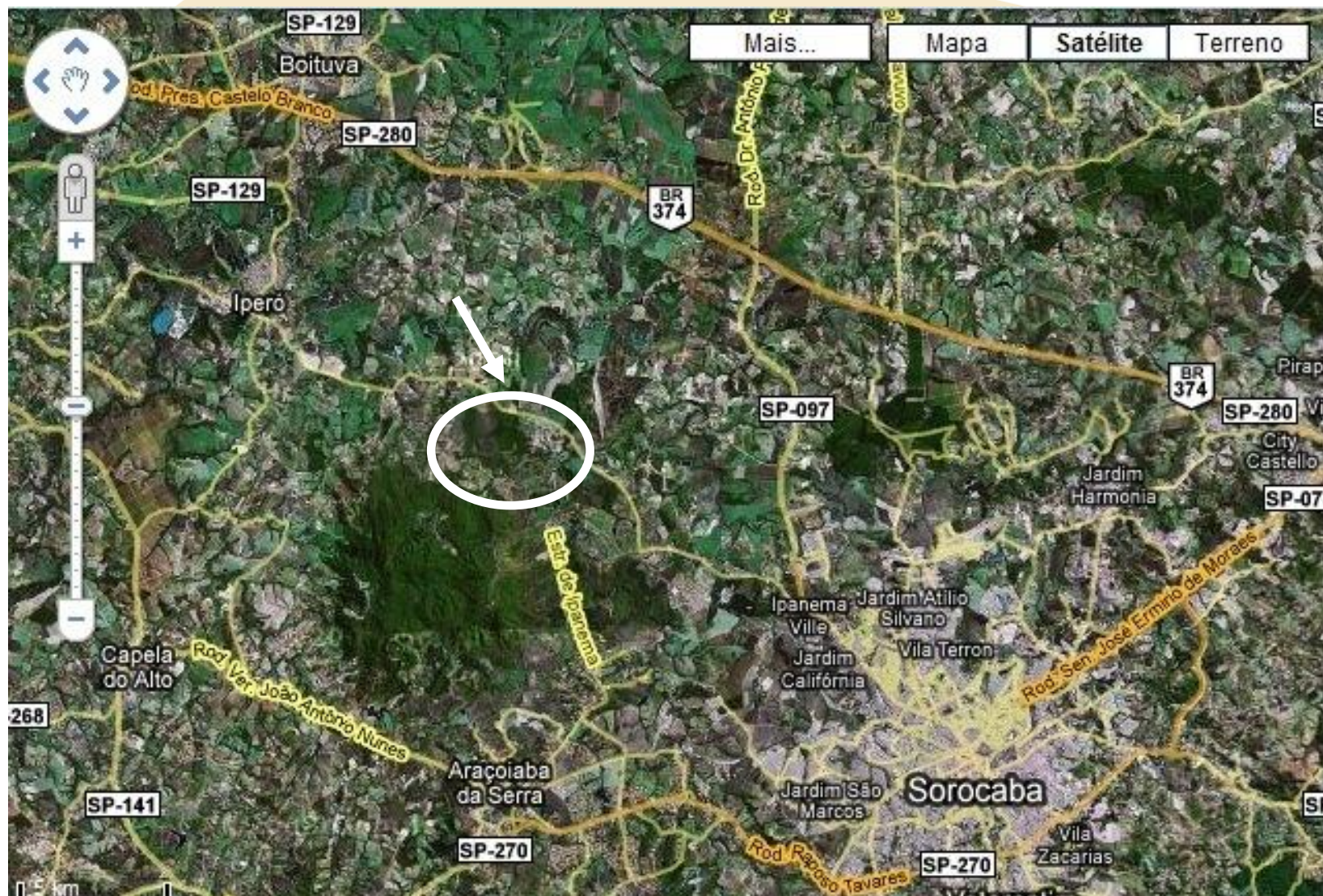


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State of São Paulo

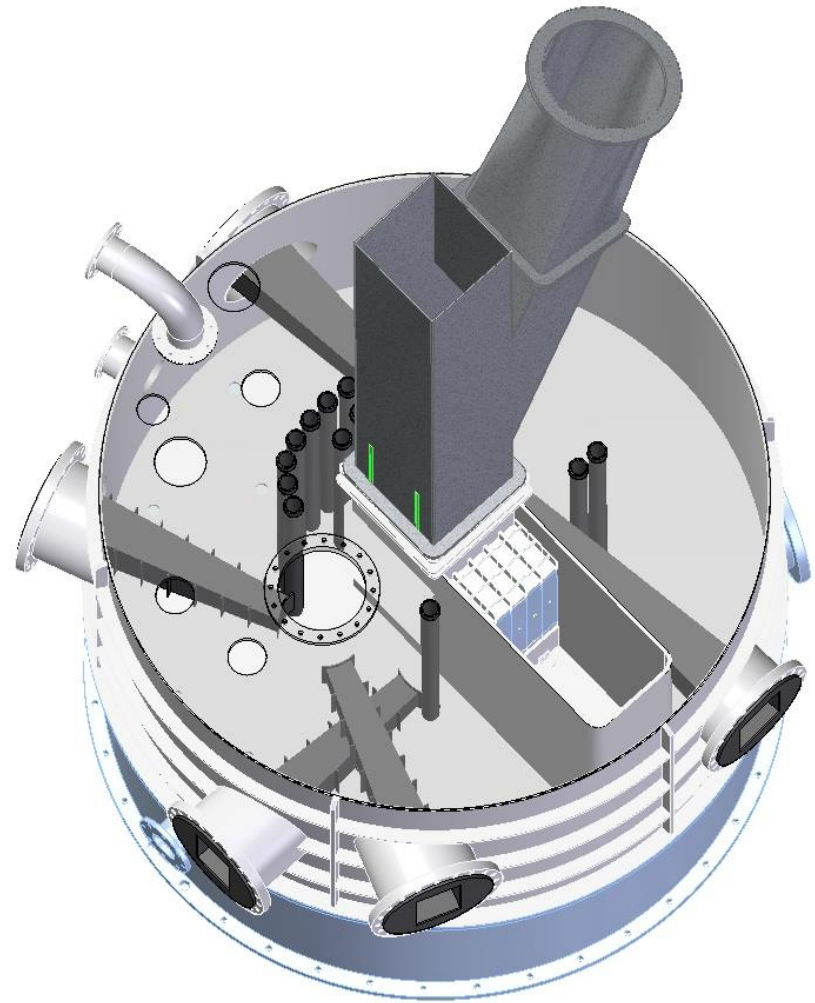
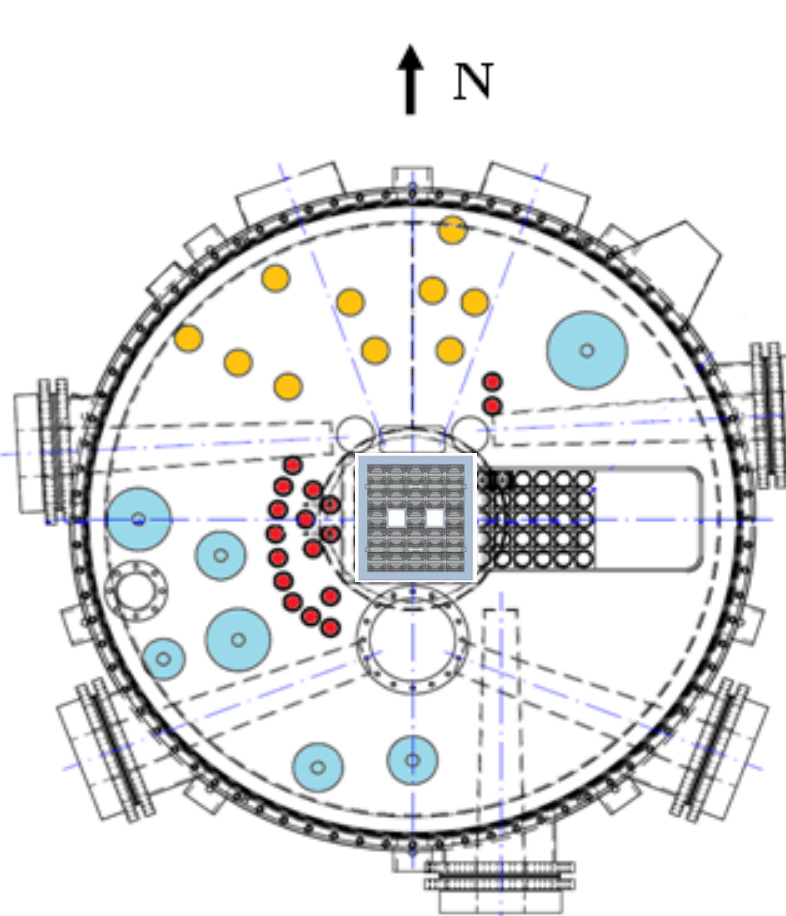


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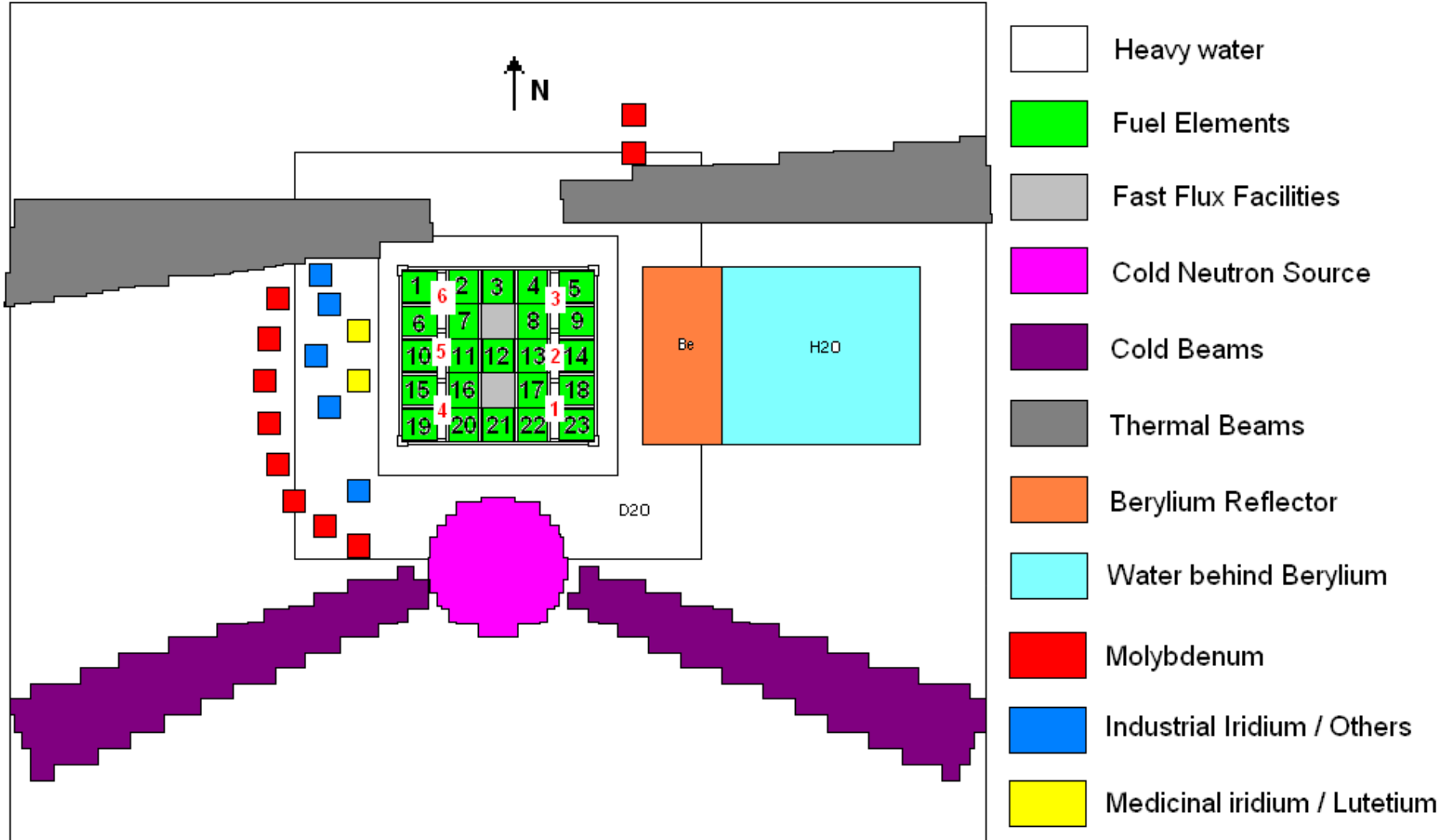


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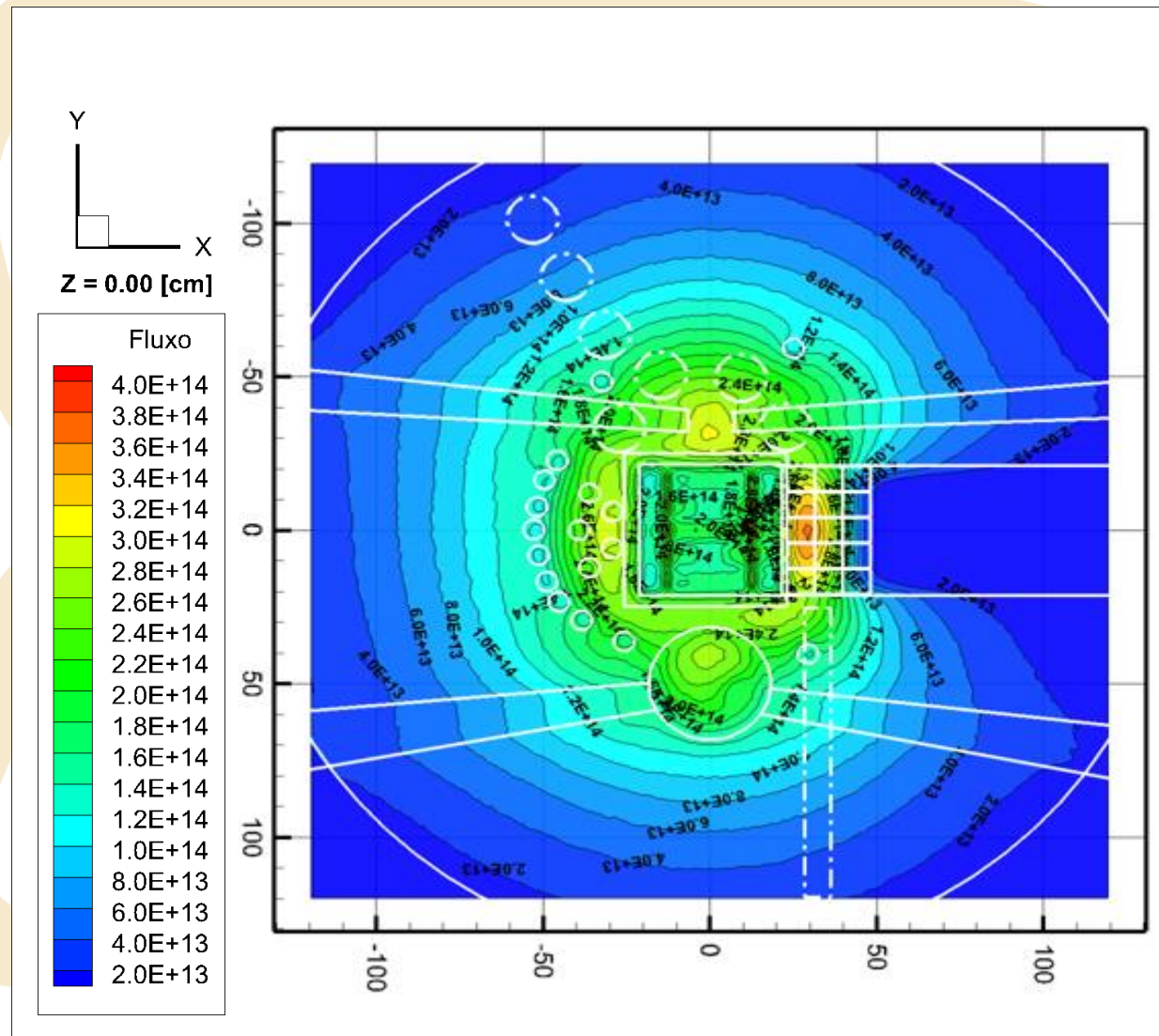


- Bulk irradiation position
- Pneumatic irradiation position
- NTD irradiation position

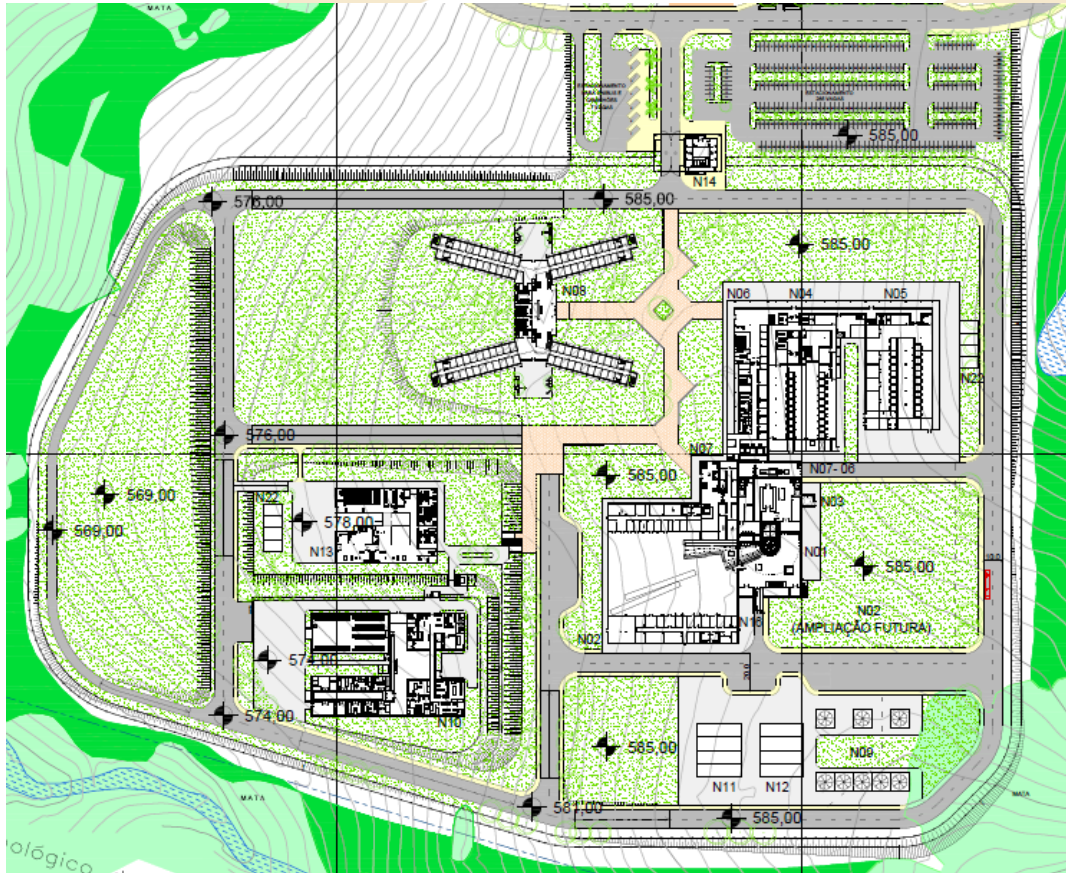
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RMB Buildings



- N01 – Reactor**
- N02 – Neutron Beam Laboratory**
- N03 – Spent Fuel and Material Handling**
- N04 – Radioisotope Processing**
- N05 – Post-Irradiation Laboratory**
- N06 – Radiochemistry Laboratory**
- N07 – Operation Office**
- N08 – Researchers Offices**
- N09 – Cooling Towers**
- N10 – Waste Treatment and Storage**
- N11,N12 – Electrical Cabins**
- N13 – Workshop**
- N14 – Access Control**

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