

**Actual fusion technology needs
alpha-particle reaction data analysis**

**(Improvement of parameters for nuclear model
calculations suitable for neutron activation data)**

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1. Introduction: F4E-2008-GRT-014 (ES-AC) / Task 6



Grant Proposal Form

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Task 6

Task Title	Improvement of the parameters for nuclear model calculations suitable for neutron activation data in the medium mass region. Generation of cross section data up to 60 MeV for targets in the range from Ti to Ge.
Activity Type	R&D
Principle Applicant Responsible	IFIN HH

DESCRIPTION / SCOPE OF WORK (and role of beneficiary,ies)

1.) How will the scope be achieved

The work to be performed will consist of the following activities:

- Decide on range of targets to be studied, note that as part of previous TTMN-001 studies detailed analysis of some of the nuclides in the target range have already been carried out.
- Identify suitable experimental data to enable nuclear model parameters to be improved.
- Generate calculated cross sections using suitable model codes and compare with experiments, iterate as required.
- Report on new sets on model parameters and ensure that information is fed back to the RIPL database.
- Generate final cross section files in a format suitable for use in a future EAF data file.

- 14.08.2008: Call F4E-GRT-014 [<http://fusionforenergy.europa.eu/Grants.htm>]
- 22.08.2008: UKAEA (former EFDA Task TW(0-6)-TTMN-001 coordinator):
 - ask former partners (IFIN-HH) about a common proposal
- 01.09.2008: IFIN-HH: ask Euratom-MEdC opinion (get none)
- 02.10.2008: proposal submitted by UKAEA-led consortium (including IFIN-HH)
- 28.11.2008: F4E talk @ OECD/NEA Data Bank: F4E WP/procedures info
- 02.12.2008: IFIN-HH: ask Euratom-MEdC for IFIN-HH F4E-proposal take-over
 - no action ...

- 21.04.2009: Kick-off Meeting (proposal approval: contract until 20.05.2010)
- 31.08.2009: F4E contract signature – note UKAEA – note partners (..IFIN-HH...)
- 03.11.2009: IFIN-HH 2 ANCS: PN-II-CP-M_III project submission
- **25.11.2009: ANCS 2 IFIN-HH: no money, look for 2010 budget approval**

- 19.02.2010: Call F4E-GRT-056 [<http://fusionforenergy.europa.eu/Grants.htm>] – deadline: 12.04.2010
- 27.02.2010: CCFE (UKAEA) ask partners (..IFIN-HH..) about a new proposal
- 05.03.2010: IFIN-HH 2 ANCS: PN-II-CP-M_III proj. resub.; ask re: F4E-GRT-056
- 29.03.2010: IFIN-HH 2 ANCS: PN-II-CP-M_III proj. resub.; ask re: F4E-GRT-056
- **12.04.2010: ANCS 2 IFIN-HH: ask doc from Euratom-MEdC; advice to use PN !**

- 12.04.2010: F4E-GRT-056 proposal submitted by CCFE-led consortium
- 16.06.2010: F4E-GRT-014 Closure Meeting ([Background/Foreground IPR](#))

http://fusionforenergy.europa.eu/documents/news_events/annual_report/F4E_Annual_Report2008.pdf

- **27.03.2007:** Decision 2007/198/Euratom of 27 March 2007: F4E establishment
- **19.04.2007:** Decision 2007/198/Euratom of 27 March 2007: entered into force
- **28.06.2007:** **1st Governing Board Meeting** (..Th. Ionescu-Bujor, Prof. Gh. Popa ...)



- **17.07.2007:** **2nd Governing Board Meeting: first F4E Director appointment**
- **01.10.2007:** **first F4E Director took up his duties**
- **01.11.2007:** **first F4E staff members appointment**
- **2007-2008:** **8 Governing Board Meetings**

WORK PROGRAMME 2010

Euratom for Nuclear Research and Training Activities¹

(European Commission C(2009) 5946 of 30 July 2009)

II.1 Fusion Energy

The content of the Fusion Energy programme has several facets covering the full range of funding schemes. These are:

- *European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy ('Fusion for Energy')* to discharge the responsibilities of the European Union towards the ITER Agreement and the Broader Approach activities;
- *Contracts of Association* which are bilateral contracts between research organisations or bodies in all the Member States or Euratom Fully Associated Third States and the Community. Some Contracts of Association will include activities of research institutes in more than one Member State (transnational research Units);
- *European Fusion Development Agreement* between all the Associates (signatories of a Contract of Association) to fully exploit the JET Facilities and possibly other fusion devices and coordinate the research activities, including training, carried out under the Contract of Association;





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CONTRACT INFORMATION	
Action title:	Improvement of Nuclear data, development of tools and experiments/validation in support of ITER activities [NUDATA_FILES] – Grant F4E-2008-GRT-014 (ES-AC)
Action type (Brief description of the grant):	Improvement of the parameters for nuclear model calculations suitable for neutron activation data in the medium mass region.
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Information for protection
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ROP2010MA.for: source code, with computing and input details as former comments - ROP2010MA.in: input data sample file, for OMP calculations for 76 target nuclei - ROP2010MAza: output file corresponding to the above-mentioned input data file - ROP2010MAza_NDS.dat: the records from the output file, provided to NDS/IAEA
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<p>Describe the unique features of the software/database over other software that may be either on the market or is currently being used by others.</p> <p>These OMP describes the alpha-particle elastic scattering at low energies as well as elastic-scattering and reaction data for $45 \leq A \leq 209$.</p>
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3. Conclusions

• Achievements

List of Milestones				
No.	Name	Responsible beneficiary (short name)	Means of verification	Expected date (month)
1	Improvement of parameters	IFIN HH	Peer review (by RIPL community)	6 [EFFDOC-1081, Nov. 2009] [Submtd. PRC, 7 April 2010]
2	Generation of files	IFIN HH	Testing by UKAEA	10 [To CCFE, 14 April 2010] [To NDS/IAEA]
3	Final report	IFIN HH	Peer review	12 [To CCFE, 14 April 2010]

• F4E-2008-GRT-06 (ES-AC) / Task 5a further work:

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				Call #	F4E-2010-GRT-056		
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– Task 5.1. Systematic analysis of the optical model potential of incident alpha-particles for target nuclei with the atomic mass number $A=40-209$ will be used. It will be based on both microscopical and phenomenological real optical potentials, for the suitable involvement within the emission channels. Consistent analysis will be performed and latest measurements of alpha-emission fast-neutron induced reaction cross sections will be taken into account.

4. Annex. Project work: Nuclear Model Calculations

OPTICAL MODEL: prime tool for all cross section calculations

- ❖ **Phenomenological OMP** (global parameter sets): still extensively used
- ❖ **Microscopic OPs**: reduced uncertainties (e.g., OM ambiguities)

▪ Pure elastic scattering OP analysis

SCAT2 [O. Bersillon]

- phenomenological OP
- + semi-microscopic (DF) OP
(local version)

▪ Coupled Reaction Channel (CRC)

FRESCO-2003 [I.J. Thompson]

Phys. Rev. C **62** (2000) 017001

Nucl. Phys. A **693** (2001) 616

Eur. Phys. J. **A12** (2001) 399

Int. J. of Mod. Phys. E, **11** (2002) 249

Nucl. Phys. A **723** (2003) 104

Nucl. Phys. A **759** (2005) 327

Nucl. Phys. A **764** (2006) 246

▪ Composite system equilibration

- **Geometry Dependent Hybrid (GDH)** preequilibrium-emission model
- **Hauser-Feshbach (HF)** statistical model

STAPRE-H95 [V. Avrigeanu, M. Avrigeanu]

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Complementary optical-potential analysis of α -particle elastic scattering and induced reactions at low energies

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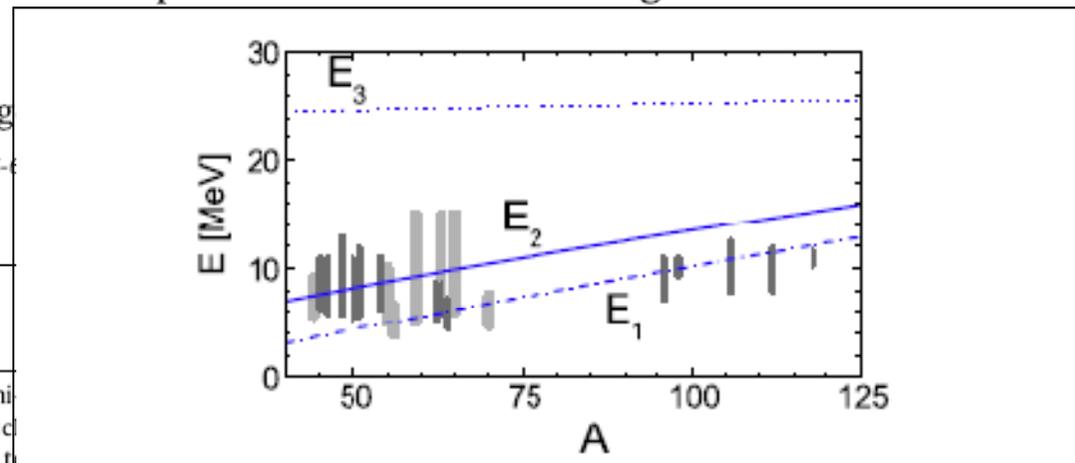
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ABSTRACT

A previously derived semi-microscopic optical potential, and regional parameter set for α -particle scattering on $A \sim 100$ nuclei, and energies from ~ 13 to ~ 50 MeV, were also obtained for nuclei with $(N - Z)/A$ values of 0.1 . The present work also includes the dependence of (α, γ) , (α, n) , and (α, p) reaction cross sections on the target nucleus and incident energies below ~ 12 MeV. The present work also includes the dependence of the surface imaginary potential on the target nucleus and incident energies, well both the low-energy



Graph 16. (Color online) The energies E_1 (dash-dotted curve) below which the imaginary potential depth $W_D = 4$ MeV, E_2 (solid curve) corresponding to $0.9B_C$, and E_3 (dotted curve), at which the present RCP parameters change their energy dependences, versus the target nuclei atomic mass number, and the energy ranges of the (α, x) reaction data formerly analyzed in the present work (thin vertical bars) as well as involved within the additional check of the ROP (thick bars). The mass-dependences corresponding to nuclei with a nuclear asymmetry $(N - Z)/A$ value of 0.1 are shown, while the complete formulae of the energies E_1 , E_2 , and E_3 are given in Table 3.

α -particle optical potential tests below the Coulomb barrier

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The results of two recent papers concerning (α, γ) and (α, n) reaction cross-section thresholds are discussed with regard to predictions of a recent α -particle region that the new measured cross sections are rather well described especially for t Particular features of the α -particle optical potential at energies below the Coulomb former regional potential obtained by analysis of α -particle elastic scattering along limitations of statistical model calculations for minor reaction channels are also

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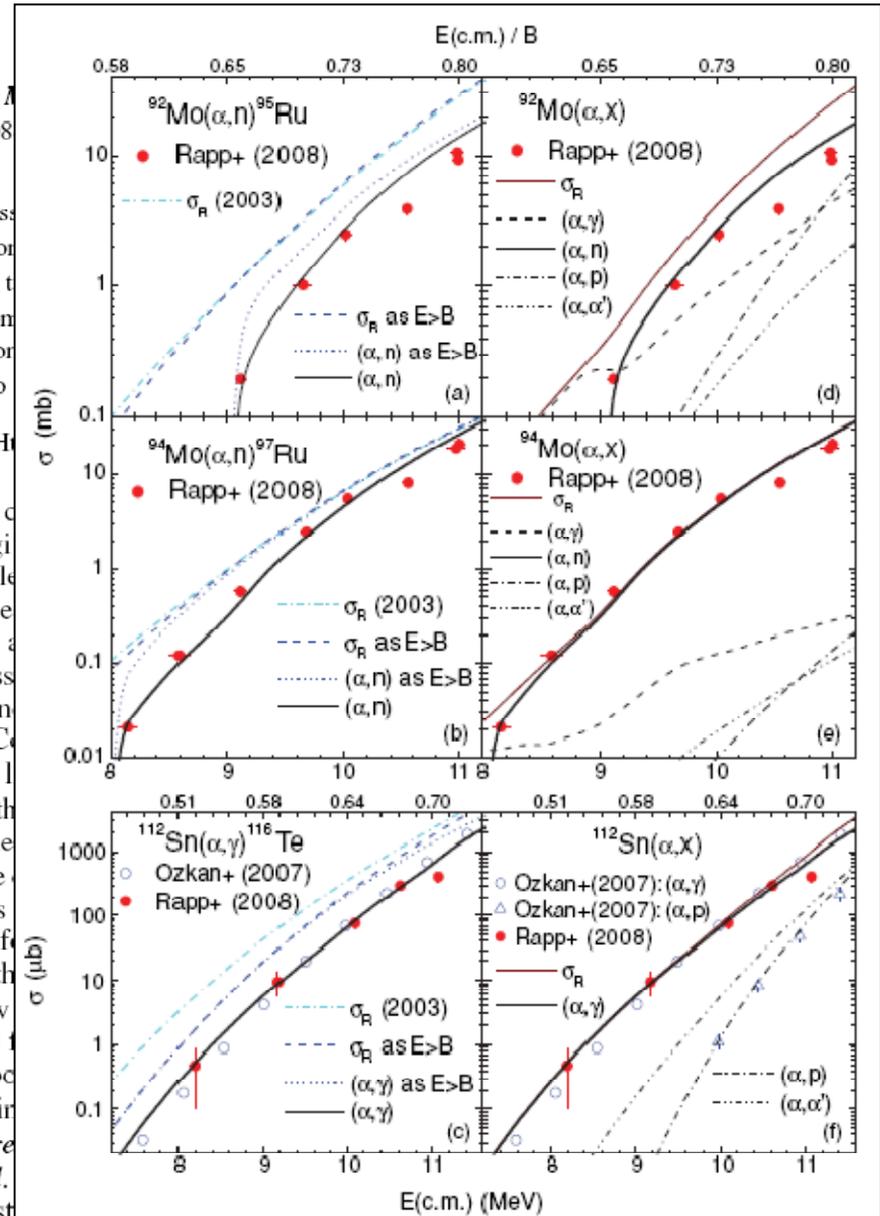
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I. Motivation. Two recent studies of (α, n) reactions on $^{92,94}\text{Mo}$ isotopes and α capture on ^{112}Sn [1] and ^{117}Sn [2] were also motivated by the still poor knowledge of the α -particle optical model potential (OMP) below the Coulomb barrier. Thus Rapp *et al.* [1] performed useful comparisons of the new measured data and statistical model calculations with different optical potentials, including a former regional parameter set [3] established by analysis of the α -particle elastic scattering alone. Their results emphasized either a data overestimation by a factor of 2 or an underestimation by a similar factor. On the other hand, additional limitations of the OMP parameters, the more recent being again that of Ref. [3], were found below the Coulomb barrier and considered typical for the available global OM parametrizations [2]. We provide an additional account of the new measured cross sections [1,2] by means of a recent optical potential [4] to check whether it also describes these data.

In the first place, we think it is important to emphasize the particular precondition and aims of our former optical potential [3] that was used in Refs. [1,2]. First, we had focused on two main questions that are still open, namely, the OMP parameter sets obtained from α -particle elastic scattering at high energies ($E_\alpha > 80$ MeV), which describe

the entrance/exit c Basically, the regi tively on α -particle $A \sim 50-120$ nucle Then, an ultimate a (α, p) reaction cross ^{45}Sc to ^{118}Sn and in out. Because the C measurements at l cross sections with way to validate the potential. Thus, the potential as well as established by the f be responsible for th reaction data below has been modified t obtain an optical pe energy α -particle-ir

II. The (α, x) re data of Rapp *et al.* the results of statist input parameter set [4,5] except the α -particle optical potential.



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Additional α -particle optical potential tests below the Coulomb barrier

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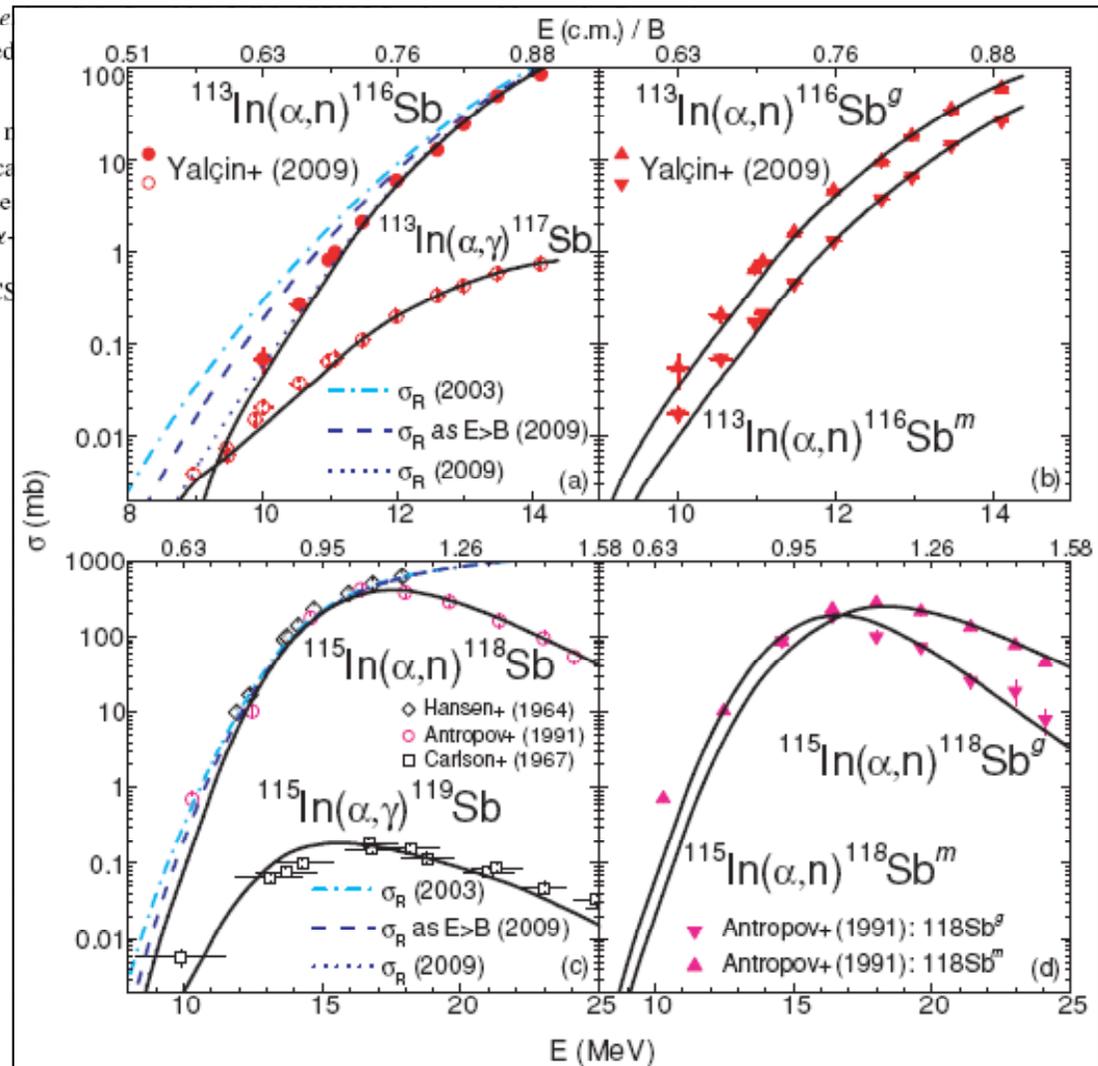
New results of (α, γ) and (α, n) reaction cross sections in the setting up of recent parameters of the α -particle optical potential. Particular features of the α -particle optical potential at energies below the Coulomb barrier are investigated using the OMP parameters obtained by analysis of only α -particle elastic scattering.

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Recent studies of (α, n) reactions on $^{92,94}\text{Mo}$ isotopes and α capture on ^{112}Sn [1] as well as both reactions on ^{113}In [2] were motivated by the still poor knowledge of the α -particle optical model potential (OMP) below the Coulomb barrier. Thus Rapp *et al.* [1] and Yalçin *et al.* [2] performed useful comparisons of the new measured data and statistical model calculations with different optical potentials, including a former regional parameter set [3] established by analysis of the α -particle elastic scattering, obviously at higher energies. Their results pointed out a large data overestimation especially by the above-mentioned OMP. However, we have already pointed out [4] that the potential of Ref. [3] is not suitable for the data analysis at incident energies $E_\alpha \approx 8\text{--}12$ MeV [1], outside the energy range involved for its setting up, while a proper account of these data is provided by its recent extension below the Coulomb barrier [5]. It is shown hereafter that a parallel case is that of the newly measured cross sections of (α, γ) and (α, n) reactions on ^{113}In [2] as well as of earlier similar data for the ^{115}In target nucleus.

Actually in Ref. [4] we only highlighted additionally the particular precondition and aims of our former optical potential [3] that was used in Refs. [1,2]. Thus, we started with the



discrete levels. Thus, some questions of the level and decay scheme of the ^{116}Sb nucleus could be related to this lower

4.2 New results: α -particle OMP @ $E < 50$ MeV , $A < 200$

α -particle nuclear surface absorption below the Coulomb barrier on heavy nuclei

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A first analysis of all available α -particle induced reaction cross sections on nuclei with the mass number $121 \leq A \leq 197$, below the Coulomb barrier, leads to an optical potential which additionally describes the α -particle elastic scattering at low energies as well as similar data for $45 \leq A \leq 124$. The energy dependence of the surface imaginary potential depth is proved to be essential for the understanding of the α -particle interactions behavior below the Coulomb barrier.

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I. INTRODUCTION.

While the interactions of α -particles with nuclei have been of special interest from the earliest days of nuclear physics and a unified account of them was expected two decades ago [1], their reaction cross sections predicted below the Coulomb barrier can differ even nowadays by one order of magnitude. This happens because of the one-body complex optical potential describing the combined effect of the Coulomb and nuclear field, which is still uncertain at these energies.

Actually, the widely-used phenomenological optical model potential (OMP) parameters are derived mainly from the analysis of elastic-scattering angular distributions that are, on the other hand, ruled out below the Coulomb barrier B . The extrapolation to very-low energies of global potentials from higher energies has also been proved to be erroneous because of the strong change in the number of open reaction channels close to the Coulomb barrier. This fact leads to a strong energy dependence of the OMP imaginary part [2] which takes into account all non-elastic interactions in a global way and

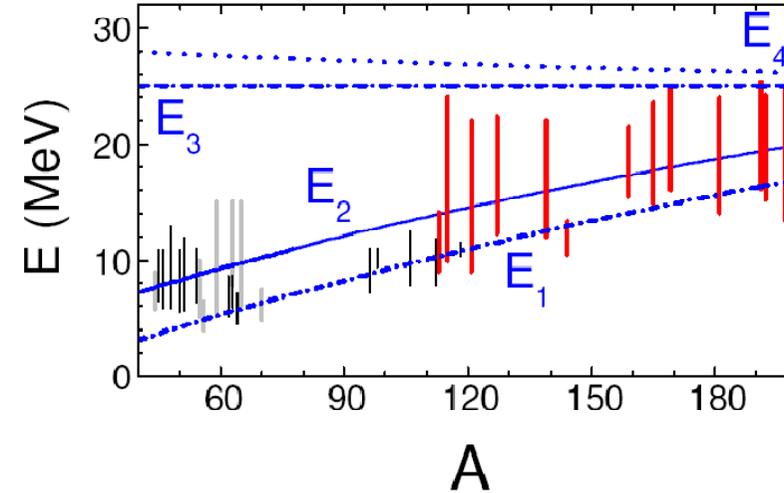
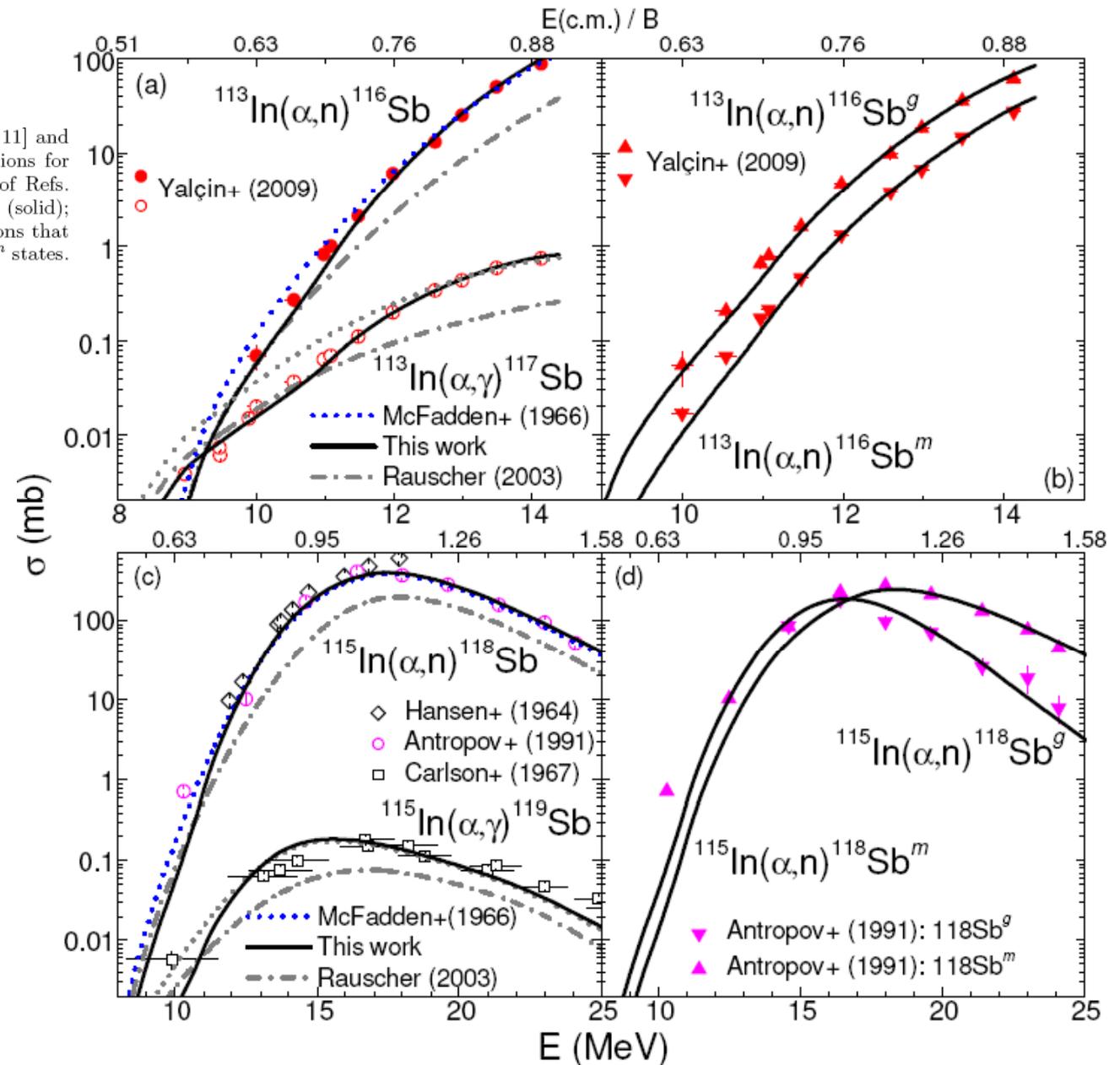


FIG. 1: (Color online) The A -dependence of energies E_1 (dash-dotted) below which the depth W_D is constant, E_2 (solid) corresponding to $0.9B$, E_3 (dashed) and E_4 (dotted) given in Table I, and the energy ranges (thick bars) of the (α, x) reaction data involved in this work for $A > 113$ as well as formerly analyzed (thin bars) and additionally checked in Ref. [2] for $A < 90$.

Comparison of α -particle OMPs for heavy nuclei

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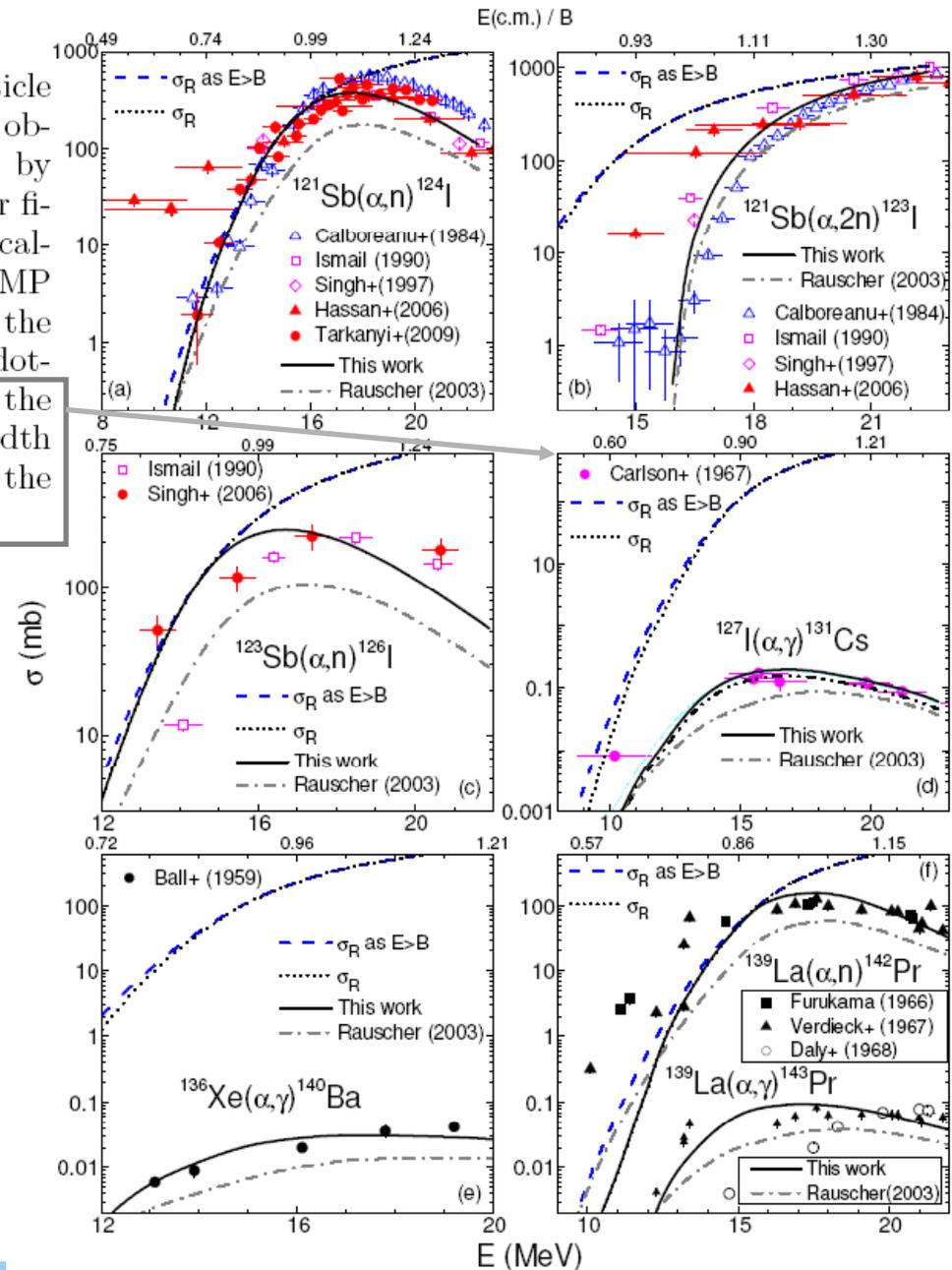
FIG. 2: (Color online) Comparison of measured [7, 11] and (a,c) calculated (α, γ) and (α, n) reaction cross sections for the target nuclei $^{113,115}\text{In}$ nuclei, using the OMPs of Refs. [22] (dotted curves), [23] (dash-dotted), and Table I (solid); (b,d) the latter comparison for $^{113,115}\text{In}(\alpha, n)$ reactions that produce the ground $^{116,118}\text{Sb}^g$ and isomeric $^{116,118}\text{Sb}^m$ states.



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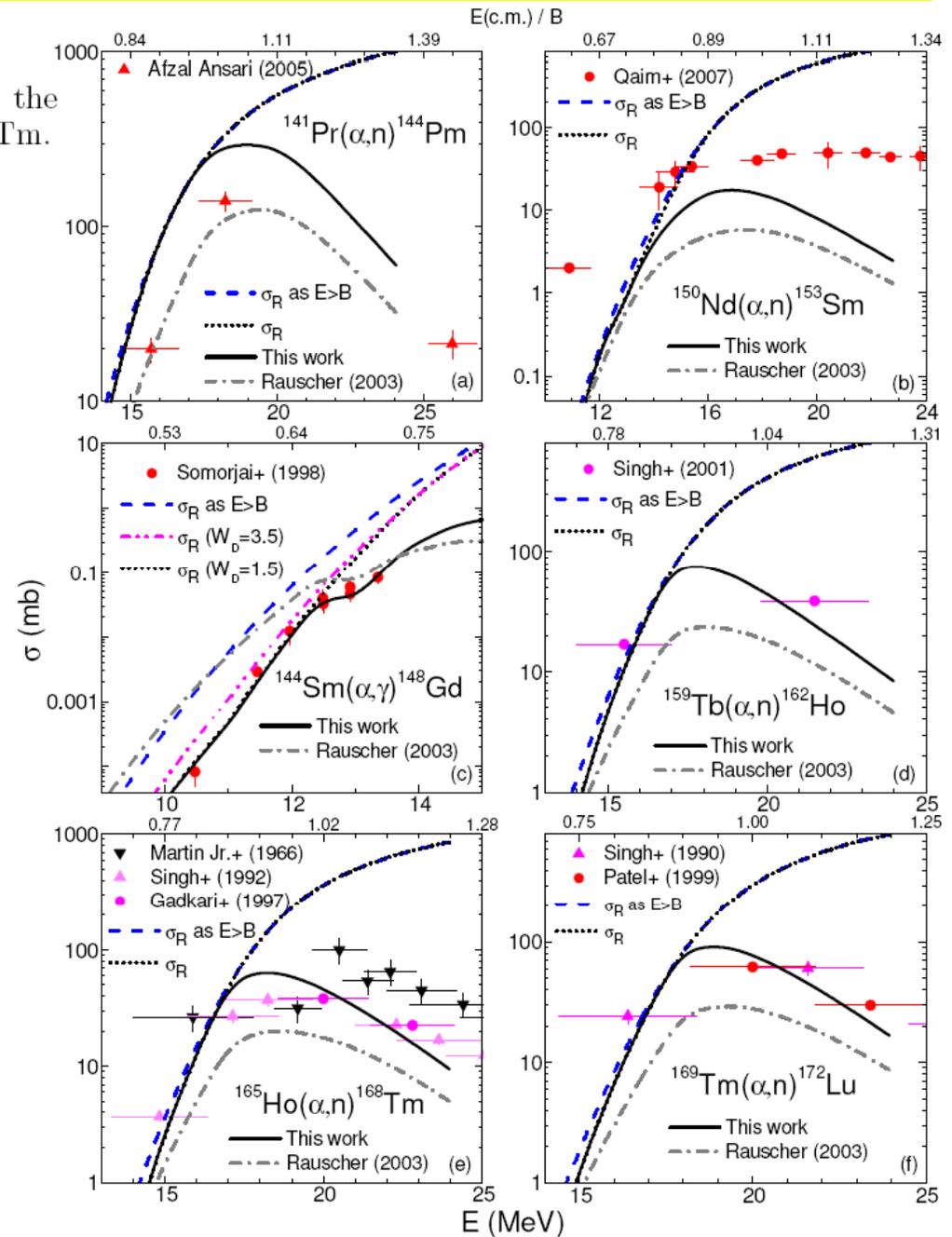
FIG. 3: (Color online) Comparison of calculated α -particle total reaction cross sections using the OMP parameters obtained for energies above the energy limit E_2 (Table I) by elastic-scattering analysis alone (dashed curves), and their final values (dotted), as well as of the measured [11] and calculated cross sections of (α, x) reactions by using the OMP of this work (solid) and Rauscher [23] (dash-dotted) for the target nuclei $^{121,123}\text{Sb}$, ^{127}I , ^{136}Xe , and ^{139}La . The dash-dotted curve for the target nucleus ^{127}I (d) corresponds to the OMP of this work and a 20% decrease of the radiative width of s -wave neutron resonances used for normalization of the γ -ray strength function (see the text).



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FIG. 4: (Color online) The same as in Fig. 3 but for the target nuclei ^{141}Pr , ^{150}Nd , ^{144}Sm , ^{159}Tb , ^{165}Ho , and ^{169}Tm .



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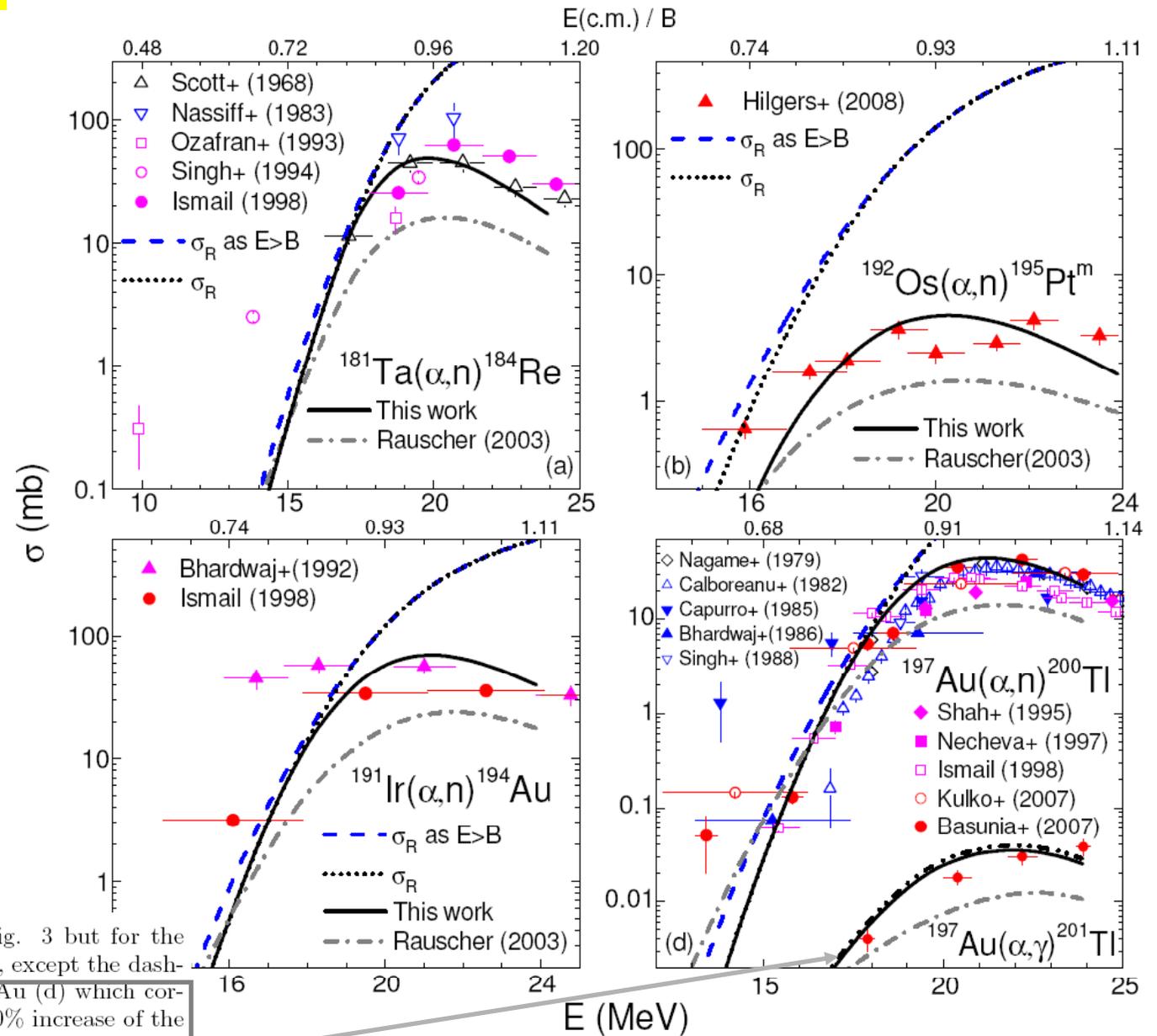


FIG. 5: (Color online) The same as in Fig. 3 but for the target nuclei ^{181}Ta , ^{192}Os , ^{191}Ir , and ^{197}Au , except the dash-dot-dotted curve for the target nucleus ^{197}Au (d) which corresponds to the OMP of this work and a 20% increase of the radiative width of s -wave neutron resonances used for normalization of the γ -ray strength function.

Finally: α -particle OMP @ $E < 50$ MeV , $A < 200$

Changes vs. $A=40-120$ [ADNDT 95, 501 (2009)]:

TABLE I: Optical potential parameters obtained by fit of the α -particle elastic-scattering and reaction cross sections on nuclei with $45 \leq A \leq 209$, at energies $E < 50$ MeV. The energy-range limits^a are in MeV. A star used as superscript follows the parameters which were changed with respect to the optical potential of Ref. [2].

Potential depth (MeV)		Geometry parameters (fm)	
$V_R^* = 165 + 0.733Z/A^{1/3} - 2.64E,$	$E < E_3$	$r_R = 1.18 + 0.012E,$	$E < 25$
$= 116.5 + 0.337Z/A^{1/3} - 0.453E,$	$E > E_3$	$= 1.48,$	$E > 25$
		$a_R^* = 0.631 + 0.016Z/A^{1/3} - (0.001Z/A^{1/3})E_2,$	$E < E_2$
		$= 0.631 + 0.016Z/A^{1/3} - (0.001Z/A^{1/3})E,$	$E_2 < E < E_4$
		$= 0.684 - 0.016Z/A^{1/3} - (0.0026 - 0.00026Z/A^{1/3})E,$	$E > E_4$
$W_V = 2.73 - 2.88A^{1/3} + 1.11E$		$r_V = 1.34$	
		$a_V = 0.50$	
$W_D^* = 2.5 \pm 1.0^b,$	$E < E_1$	$r_D = 1.52$	
$= 22.2 + 4.57A^{1/3} - 7.446E_2 + 6E,$	$E_1 < E < E_2$	$a_D = 0.729 - 0.074A^{1/3}$	
$= 22.2 + 4.57A^{1/3} - 1.446E,$	$E > E_2$		

^a $E_1^* = -3.28 - 0.762A^{1/3} + 1.24E_2$, $E_2 = (2.59 + 10.4/A)Z / (2.66 + 1.36A^{1/3})$, $E_3^* = 22.2 + 0.181Z/A^{1/3}$, $E_4^* = 29.1 - 0.22Z/A^{1/3}$

^b $W_D = 3.5$ for $A < 130$ while $W_D = 1.5$ fits better the data for $A > 130$.

4.3 RIPL-3 calculated α -particle OMP parameter values (1/3)

Forms $f(Z,A)$:

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Optical Model Potential
iref      = 9999
authors   = M. Avrigeanu and V. Avrigeanu
reference = IFIN-HH, Bucharest, Mar. 2010, Contract No. F4E-2008-GRT-014 (ES-AC)-Action 1
summary:
  Revised parameter set for alpha-particles, from analysis of elastic-scattering
  data for nuclei within  $50 < A < 209$  mass and  $\sim 13$ -50 MeV energy ranges, and (alpha,x)
  reaction cross-sections for target nuclei from  $^{45}\text{Sc}$  to  $^{197}\text{Au}$ , below  $\sim 12$ -20 MeV.
E range   = 1.000 - 60.0000
Z range   = 21 - 83
A range   = 44 - 209

Target: Z = 21  A = 45
        E1= 3.974  E2= 7.907  E3=23.269  E4=27.801

r_R(fm) = 1.180+0.012*E,    E < 25.0 MeV
          = 1.480,          E > 25.0 MeV

a_R(fm) = 0.679,
          = 0.725-0.00590*E, 7.907 MeV < E < 27.801 MeV
          = 0.590-0.00106*E,  E > 27.801 MeV

V_R(MeV)=169.33-2.64*E,    E < 23.269 MeV
          =118.49-0.45*E,  E > 23.269 MeV

r_WV(fm)= 1.34
a_WV(fm)= 0.50
W_V(MeV)= -7.51+1.11*E

r_WD(fm)= 1.52
a_WD(fm)= 0.466
W_D(MeV)= 3.50,
          = -20.42+6.000*E, 3.974 MeV < E < 7.907 MeV
          = 38.46-1.446*E,  E > 7.907 MeV
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Tables:

----- Calculated Potential Parameters and Total Reaction Cross Sections -----

E(LS) (MeV)	V_R (MeV)	r_R (fm)	a_R (fm)	w_V (MeV)	r_WV (fm)	a_WV (fm)	w_D (MeV)	r_WD (fm)	a_WD (fm)	r_C (fm)	sigma_R (mb)
2.0	164.0	1.204	0.679	0.000	1.340	0.500	3.500	1.520	0.466	1.30	0.4845E-08
3.0	161.4	1.216	0.679	0.000	1.340	0.500	3.500	1.520	0.466	1.30	0.8195E-04
4.0	158.8	1.228	0.679	0.000	1.340	0.500	3.582	1.520	0.466	1.30	0.1789E-01
5.0	156.1	1.240	0.679	0.000	1.340	0.500	9.582	1.520	0.466	1.30	1.022
6.0	153.5	1.252	0.679	0.000	1.340	0.500	15.582	1.520	0.466	1.30	14.13
7.0	150.8	1.264	0.679	0.256	1.340	0.500	21.582	1.520	0.466	1.30	77.68
8.0	148.2	1.276	0.678	1.366	1.340	0.500	26.887	1.520	0.466	1.30	213.0
9.0	145.6	1.288	0.672	2.476	1.340	0.500	25.441	1.520	0.466	1.30	369.9
10.0	142.9	1.300	0.666	3.586	1.340	0.500	23.995	1.520	0.466	1.30	517.1
11.0	140.3	1.312	0.661	4.696	1.340	0.500	22.549	1.520	0.466	1.30	643.8
12.0	137.6	1.324	0.655	5.806	1.340	0.500	21.103	1.520	0.466	1.30	750.5
13.0	135.0	1.336	0.649	6.916	1.340	0.500	19.657	1.520	0.466	1.30	840.0
14.0	132.4	1.348	0.643	8.026	1.340	0.500	18.211	1.520	0.466	1.30	915.5
15.0	129.7	1.360	0.637	9.136	1.340	0.500	16.765	1.520	0.466	1.30	979.6
16.0	127.1	1.372	0.631	10.246	1.340	0.500	15.319	1.520	0.466	1.30	1034.
17.0	124.4	1.384	0.625	11.356	1.340	0.500	13.873	1.520	0.466	1.30	1081.
18.0	121.8	1.396	0.619	12.466	1.340	0.500	12.427	1.520	0.466	1.30	1122.
19.0	119.2	1.408	0.613	13.576	1.340	0.500	10.981	1.520	0.466	1.30	1157.
20.0	116.5	1.420	0.607	14.686	1.340	0.500	9.535	1.520	0.466	1.30	1188.
21.0	113.9	1.432	0.601	15.796	1.340	0.500	8.089	1.520	0.466	1.30	1214.
22.0	111.2	1.444	0.596	16.906	1.340	0.500	6.643	1.520	0.466	1.30	1238.
23.0	108.6	1.456	0.590	18.016	1.340	0.500	5.197	1.520	0.466	1.30	1258.
24.0	107.6	1.468	0.584	19.126	1.340	0.500	3.751	1.520	0.466	1.30	1280.
25.0	107.2	1.480	0.578	20.236	1.340	0.500	2.305	1.520	0.466	1.30	1301.
26.0	106.7	1.480	0.572	21.346	1.340	0.500	0.859	1.520	0.466	1.30	1303.
27.0	106.3	1.480	0.566	22.456	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1304.
28.0	105.8	1.480	0.560	23.566	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1306.
29.0	105.4	1.480	0.559	24.676	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1313.
30.0	104.9	1.480	0.558	25.786	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1319.
31.0	104.4	1.480	0.557	26.896	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1325.
32.0	104.0	1.480	0.555	28.006	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1330.
33.0	103.5	1.480	0.554	29.116	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1335.
34.0	103.1	1.480	0.553	30.226	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1338.
35.0	102.6	1.480	0.552	31.336	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1342.
36.0	102.2	1.480	0.551	32.446	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1344.
37.0	101.7	1.480	0.550	33.556	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1347.
38.0	101.3	1.480	0.549	34.666	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1349.
39.0	100.8	1.480	0.548	35.776	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1351.
40.0	100.4	1.480	0.547	36.886	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1352.
41.0	99.9	1.480	0.546	37.996	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1353.
42.0	99.5	1.480	0.545	39.106	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1354.
43.0	99.0	1.480	0.544	40.216	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1355.
44.0	98.6	1.480	0.543	41.326	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1356.
45.0	98.1	1.480	0.542	42.436	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1356.
46.0	97.7	1.480	0.541	43.546	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
47.0	97.2	1.480	0.539	44.656	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
48.0	96.7	1.480	0.538	45.766	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
49.0	96.3	1.480	0.537	46.876	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
50.0	95.8	1.480	0.536	47.986	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
51.0	95.4	1.480	0.535	49.096	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
52.0	94.9	1.480	0.534	50.206	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1357.
53.0	94.5	1.480	0.533	51.316	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1356.
54.0	94.0	1.480	0.532	52.426	1.340	0.500	0.000	1.520	0.466	1.30	1356.

RIPL-3 calculated α -particle OMP parameter values

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