STUDY OF THE ATTENUATION COEFFICIENT OF ROCK SAMPLES FOR GAMMA RADIATION

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A study of the attenuation coefficient (absorption coefficient) of some rock samples for gamma radiation has been performed using a ^{137}Cs source and a ^{60}Co source. The nominal strength of each source was 100 Ci. The rock samples studied were slabs of Barite, Feldspar, Lining stone, Mica, Graphite and a mixture of Quartz and cement. The spectrometer system used consisted of a NaI (Tl) detector coupled to appropriate nuclear - electronic modules.

The results show that Barite and Mica have relatively high attenuation coefficient.

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