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Abstract:

The Brazilian Nuclear Energy Commission (CNEN) decided to construct a new research reactor, named RMB (Brazilian Multipurpose Reactor). This reactor will be part of a new nuclear research center, to be built on a site about 100 kilometers from São Paulo city, in the southeast part of Brazil. It is a 30 MW open pooltype research reactor using low enriched uranium fuel, and several associated facilities and laboratories: to produce radioisotopes for medical and industrial use; to use thermal and cold neutron beams in scientific and technological research; to perform neutron activation analysis; and to perform materials and fuel irradiation tests.

This presentation will cover details of the RMB Project and its implementation. The reactor core design for the multipurpose utilization will be explored, emphasizing the technical aspects of the in core and out of core experiments.

To be noted: The school attendants will have the possibility to deepen their knowledge on this topic, thanks to the hands-on Lab prepared by Dr. F. Genezini and colleagues at the reactor at IPEN-CNEN(see INFIERI2023-Labs Booklett).

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