

A brief recall of the LEP (radiation) history

(out of my memory and published papers)

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Parameter	LEP1 (51.5 GeV)	LEP2 (100 GeV)	LEP3 (120 GeV)
Critical SR energy (keV)	98	716	1400
Radiated power, two beams (W/m)	62	1613	6000
Total SR power (MW)	1.2	22	100
E _{acc} [MV/m]		7.5	20
Effective RF length [m]		485	600
Beam current (mA)		4	7.2



Typical maximum current per beam: 5 mA Coasting was lasting several hours Total average beam current: 4 – 6 mA

- Start of operation: 1989
- 1989-95: 45 GeV per beam
- October 1995: 68 GeV
- June 1996: 80.5 GeV
- October 1996: 86 GeV
- 1997: <mark>92</mark> GeV
- 1998: <mark>94.5</mark> GeV
- 1999: 100 GeV
- 2000: 104 GeV

- Bremsstrahlung photons (from beam losses)
- Synchrotron radiation
 - $_{\odot}\,$ The linear rate of energy loss increases with the $E_{e}{}^{4}$
 - $_{\odot}\,$ The critical energy increase $E_{e}{}^{3}$
- Neutrons from photonuclear reactions
- Bremsstrahlung photons and neutrons from the operation of the s.c. RF cavities

Synchrotron radiation (up to 100 GeV)



From the Rapport définitif de sûreté du LEP (1994)

- Radiation shielding
 - Radiation doses on ground surface
 - Radiation doses in the underground accessible areas
- Synchrotron radiation and dose rates in the arcs during operation
- Radiation damage to equipment
- Transmission of radiation through ducts and labyrinths
- Radiation from the superconducting RF cavities
- Induced radioactivity (in the machine and in the experiments)
 - Increased SR may play a major role in LEP3 versus LEP2
 - Maintenance
 - (including shipping of equipment outside CERN for repair)
 - Production of radioactive waste
 - Final decommissioning
 - Induced activity in the cooling water was not a problem in LEP

Radiation design studies may be needed for the SPS (and possibly PS)

The underground LEP areas



Radiation doses (photons) in the underground areas



Radiation levels in the LEP2 period ($45 \rightarrow 105 \text{ GeV}$)

Radiation doses (photons) in the underground areas

□ 1995 ■ 1996 ■ 1997 ■ 1998 ■ 1999 □ 2000



UJ23, 27, 43, 47, 63, 67, 83 and 87 were close to the arcs, see the influence of the SR increase with beam energy

Radiation doses in the underground areas



Data are μ Sv per day, normalised to 1 mA total current of the circulating beams

Radiation levels in the LEP2 period (45 \rightarrow 105 GeV)

Annual dose equivalent in the areas occupied by physicists in the experimental halls

Year	Annual dose equivalent (mSv)					
	ALEPH	OPAL	DELPHI			
1990	0.08 - 0.32	0.11 - 0.40	0.11 - 0.41			
1991	0.17 - 0.32	0.21 - 0.40	0.08 - 0.41			
1992	0.26 - 0.43	0.16 - 0.30	0.08 - 0.94			
1993	0.29 - 0.46	0.26 - 0.37	0.15 - 0.36			
1994	0.17 - 0.34	0.19 - 0.32	0.10 - 0.98			
1995	0.17 - 0.40	0.18 - 0.30	0.14 - 0.33			
1996	0.21 - 0.55	0.19 - 0.31	0.13 - 0.30			
1997	0.06 - 0.41	0.20 - 0.38	0.13 - 0.48			
1998	0.21 - 0.35	0.19 - 0.29	0.10 - 0.31			
1999	0.19 - 0.51	0.16 - 0.50	0.14 - 0.52			
2000	0.15 - 0.27	0.18 - 0.28	0.09 - 0.25			

Annual dose equivalent at the bottom of the access pits PX

Annual dose equivalent in the underground 1/3 to 1/2 of values on ground surface

Year	Annual dose equivalent (mSv)					
	ALEPH PX46	OPAL PX64	DELPHI PX84	Surface		
1990	0.40	0.40	0.41	0.80		
1991	0.48	0.51	0.49	0.87		
1992	0.46	0.44	0.41	0.90		
1993	0.55	0.52	0.52	0.89		
1994	0.41	0.37	0.39	0.83		
1995	0.45	0.47	0.46	0.94		
1996	0.48	0.47	0.45	0.75		
1997	0.43	0.49	0.44	0.85		
1998	0.47	0.43	0.43	0.81		
1999	0.50	0.50	0.52	0.83		
2000	0.39	0.39	0.36	0.68		

Radiation levels on ground surface at the eight LEP access points



Radiation levels on ground surface around LEP



Radiation measurements in the arc and in the adjacent straight section



Radiation measurements in the arc and in the adjacent straight section



Normalized radiation levels in the arcs

- The experimental data are the average of the integrated doses recorded with the PADs placed close to the dipoles
- Experimental data systematically overestimate the predictions by about a factor of 3 (except at 103 GeV)



Normalized radiation levels (dose/integrated current) in the arcs increased up to the ninth power of the lepton energy:

- SR raises with 4th power or energy
- Energy of emitted X-rays increases with energy, making the **Pb shielding** of the vacuum chamber less effective

LEP energy = 80.5 GeV





Cross-section 1 in the arc 11.55 m from the RF chicane

Cross-section 2 in the straight section 11.55 m from the RF chicane

Units of Measurement : Sv/Ah

LEP energy = 103 GeV





Cross-section 1 in the arc 6.4 m from the RF chicane

Cross-section 2 in the straight section RA43 29.1 m from the RF chicane

Units of Measurement : Sv/Ah



Evolution of the dose rates (kGy/Ah) in the arcs as a function of the beam energy (GeV)

- Longitudinal dose distribution much more uniform over the arcs than in proton accelerators
- Doses as high as 22 MGy were reached (even up to 100 MGy for the dipole of cell 161 at injection)
- During the 1999/2000 shut down, a campaign took place to cut the extremities of the control cables which came close to the beam pipe
- At the decommissioning in 2001, some control cables were found severely damaged at places where absorbed doses exceeded some **300 kGy**
- Total integrated dose on the dipole coils over the lifetime of LEP ≈ 10⁷ Gy, *a factor 5 below* the dose where severe radiation damage of the coil insulation would have been expected

- Damage on standard optical fibre cables was observed immediately at the startup even at 45 GeV and the cables could no longer be used after only a few weeks. More radiation-hard glass fibre cables were installed in the main drains below 40 cm of concrete
- These cables accumulated a radiation dose of less than 100 Gy except at some places below the access plates and where they came close to the equipment, they stayed operational until the end of the run in 2000
- The **radiation dose limit** for a large number of cable insulating materials is 0.2–0.5 MGy and for pure epoxy resins 2–5 MGy
- The dose absorbed by the organic materials due to the **neutrons** accounted for less than 1% of the total ionizing dose
- Production of O₃, NO and NO₂ by radiation could cause corrosion

Transmission of radiation through the waveguide ducts



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of uSv/h

Attenuation of photons in WG

Distance d/A^{1/2}

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9 10 Δ

11 12

Transmission of radiation through the waveguide ducts

Position	80 GeV		86 GeV		94.5 GeV		100 GeV		103 GeV	
	RA (mSv/ Ah)	UA (µSv/ A h)	RA (mSv/ A h)	UA (µSv/ A h)	RA (mSv/ A h)	UA (µSv/ A h)	RA (mSv/ A h)	UA (µSv/ A h)	RA (mSv/ A h)	UA (µSv/ Ah)
WG1	12	5.6×10^{-1}	5.8	2.4	12	7.9×10^{2}	9.8	1.9×10^{3}	11	2.8×10^{3}
WG2	_	3.7×10^{-1}	2.5	1.6	3.8	1.2×10^{3}	6.5	8.4×10^{2}	8.5	3.6×10^{3}
WG3	7.9	9.6×10^{-2}	2.5	1.1	6.4	8.1×10^{2}	9.8	8.3×10^{2}	16	3.4×10^{3}
WG4		6.6×10^{-2}	21	1.0	66	2.4×10^{2}	59	1.2×10^{3}	87	9.1×10^{3}
WG5	20	6.7×10^{-2}	3.0	1.0	6.2	2.0×10^{2}	9.6	5.3×10^{2}	14	5.3×10^{3}
WG6	_	9.1×10^{-2}	2.3	1.1	4.3	4.1×10^{2}	8.5	3.0×10^{3}	15	3.7×10^{3}
WG7	_	1.7×10^{-1}	2.5	1.2	5.7	4.1×10^{2}	10	2.6×10^{3}	13	6.2×10^{2}
WG8		3.8×10^{-1}	1.8	1.3	5.7	8.2×10^{2}	12	3.6×10^{2}	49	4.4×10^{3}
WG9	_	3.7×10^{-2}	11	1.1	7.6	3.7×10^{2}	9.9	67	25	3.0×10^{3}
WG10	14	3.6×10^{-2}	36	8.1	5.8×10^{2}	8.5×10^{3}	12	3.5×10^{2}	22	3.6×10^{3}
WG11	6.3×10^{2}	2.7	1.0×10^{3}	8.5	3.5×10^{2}	1.2×10^{4}	3.2×10^{2}	5.3×10^{2}	4.3×10^{2}	1.0×10^{3}
WG12	5.7×10^{2}	6.0	2.3×10^{2}	4.9	2.5×10^2	1.5×10^{4}	8.0×10^2	7.2×10^2	9.4×10^{2}	1.7×10^4

Average dose equivalent rates at the entrance and exit of the waveguide ducts in RA43/UA43

WG 1 is towards ALEPH (interaction point 4), WG 12 is towards the arc (Fig. 5). Values are normalised to 1 A h of total circulating beam current.

The radiation intensity did not change significantly in the LEP tunnel with increasing beam energy, whilst increased dramatically on the UA side of the ducts, indicating a decrease in the attenuation properties of the duct (in one case by 5 orders of magnitude!)

Transmission of radiation through the waveguide ducts



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Transmission of radiation in the PM18 shaft

Photons

Neutrons



Transmission of radiation through the access maze in UJ43



LEP Machine

- 72 s.c. modules, 4 cavities / module
- Total accelerating voltage 40 MV (klystron power 150 MW)
- Prompt photon dose rate during conditioning on cavity axis close to the exit cone: from a few Gy h⁻¹ to hundreds of Gy h⁻¹
- Prompt neutron dose rate: a few 10⁻³ of the photon dose
- Induced radioactivity



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Stray radiation from s.c. RF cavities



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Decommissioning of LEP

Total specific activity (Bq/g) in various regions of the LEP dipoles induced by synchrotron radiation for a beam energy of 100 GeV

Decay time (days)	Al (vacuum chamber)	Pb (shield)	Iron-concrete (dipole)
0	3.38 10-1	6.41 10 ⁻¹	3.56 10 ⁻²
1	1.29 10-1	4.53 10 ⁻¹	5.14 10 ⁻³
7	3.64 10-2	7.43 10 ⁻²	3.75 10 ⁻³
30	3.44 10-2	4.36 10 ⁻³	3.52 10 ⁻³
365	1.76 10-2	5.17 10-4	1.96 10 ⁻³
3650	4.30 10-4	4.77 10 ⁻⁷	9.96 10 ⁻⁵

LEP decommissioning, about **30,000 tons** from the LEP machine and **10,000 tons** from the experiments \rightarrow *mostly conventional scrap*

Induced radioactivity in the LEP experiments essentially zero (except for the Far Forward Monitors)

Present amount of radioactive waste stored at CERN: about 10,000 tons

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