Improved data and understanding of release of C14 from various long-lived ILW

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Scope of project

- Seek initial response from potential participating organisations
- Confirm participants
 - Identify key contacts
 - Agree scope
- Participants supply information on completed and ongoing research and on C14 issues for their programme
- NDA-RWMD compile draft summary note for circulation to participants
- Workshop to identify areas of common interest, knowledge gaps and future research needs
- Summary note revised to take account of workshop and agreed by all participants
- Project then acts as a forum for information exchange and enabler for collaborative or complementary research





Possible work areas?

- Possible work areas could include:
 - C14 release from ion-exchange materials
 - Microbial generation of C14-methane
 - C14 release from irradiated metals
 - C14 release from irradiated graphite
 - Speciation of C14 species in solution or gas
 - Fate of C14 species in an engineered barrier system
- The scope of the project would be developed during the preparation of the draft summary note and refined and agreed by the outcome of the workshop





Timescales

- Seek initial responses November/December 2011
- Confirm participants, key contacts and scope December 2011 / January 2012
- Participants supply information January/February 2012
- NDA-RWMD compile summary note March 2012
- Workshop April 2012
- Summary note updated after workshop June 2012
- Project acts as a forum for information exchange and enabler for collaborative or complementary research – June 2012 onwards





Progress

- Introductory email sent October
- Initial feedback
 - Support for initial information gathering as input to a workshop
 - Focus should be on release of C-14 from ILW rather than fate and migration
 - Each participating organisation to nominate a key contact (inform both Steve Williams (<u>Steve.Williams@nda.gov.uk</u>) and IGD-TP Secretary General Torsten Eng (<u>torsten.eng@skb.se</u>) with a copy to Neil Smart (<u>neil.smart@nda.gov.uk</u>)

Next steps

- Seek confirmation of participation and key contact
- Start information gathering
- Identify date and venue for workshop



