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^{232}Th Evaluation for the IAEA Nuclear Data Library (INDL)

IAEA Co-ordinated Research Project on
the Evaluated Nuclear Data Files for the
Th-U Fuel Cycle

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OVERVIEW

- Optical model (total, inelastic to low-lying collective levels, angular distributions, elastic and non-elastic XS calculations)
- Capture (Hauser-Feshbach + HRTW)
- Neutron emission spectra (1-15 MeV)
(DWBA + exciton model + Hauser-Feshbach)
- Total Inelastic, (n,2n) and (n,3n)
- Fission and fission neutrons
- Resonance parameters
- Benchmarking



Optical model

Dispersive coupled-channel treatment

RIPL 608: Soukhovitskii *et al*, Phys. Rev. **C72** (2005)

- Isospin dependent $(N-Z)/A$
- Dispersive link between imaginary and real potential
(constrain OMP parameters)
- Energy-independent geometry
- Smooth energy dependence from 0.001 to 200 MeV



Strength functions and total XS

$S_0=0.85$

$S_0=0.87$ (.07)

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$S_0=0.84$ (.08)

nTOF

$S_1=1.72$

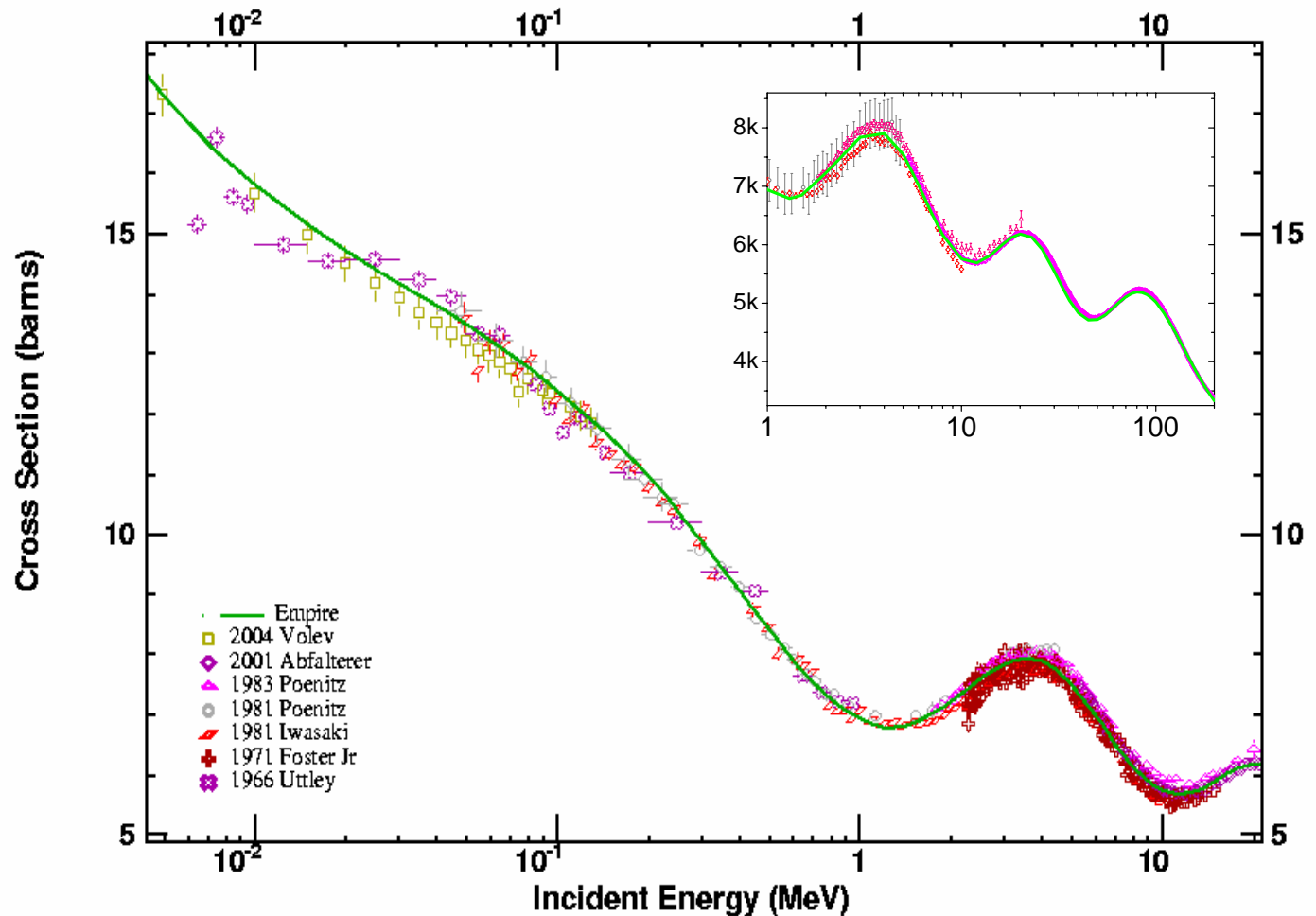
$S_1=1.6$ (.6)

nTOF

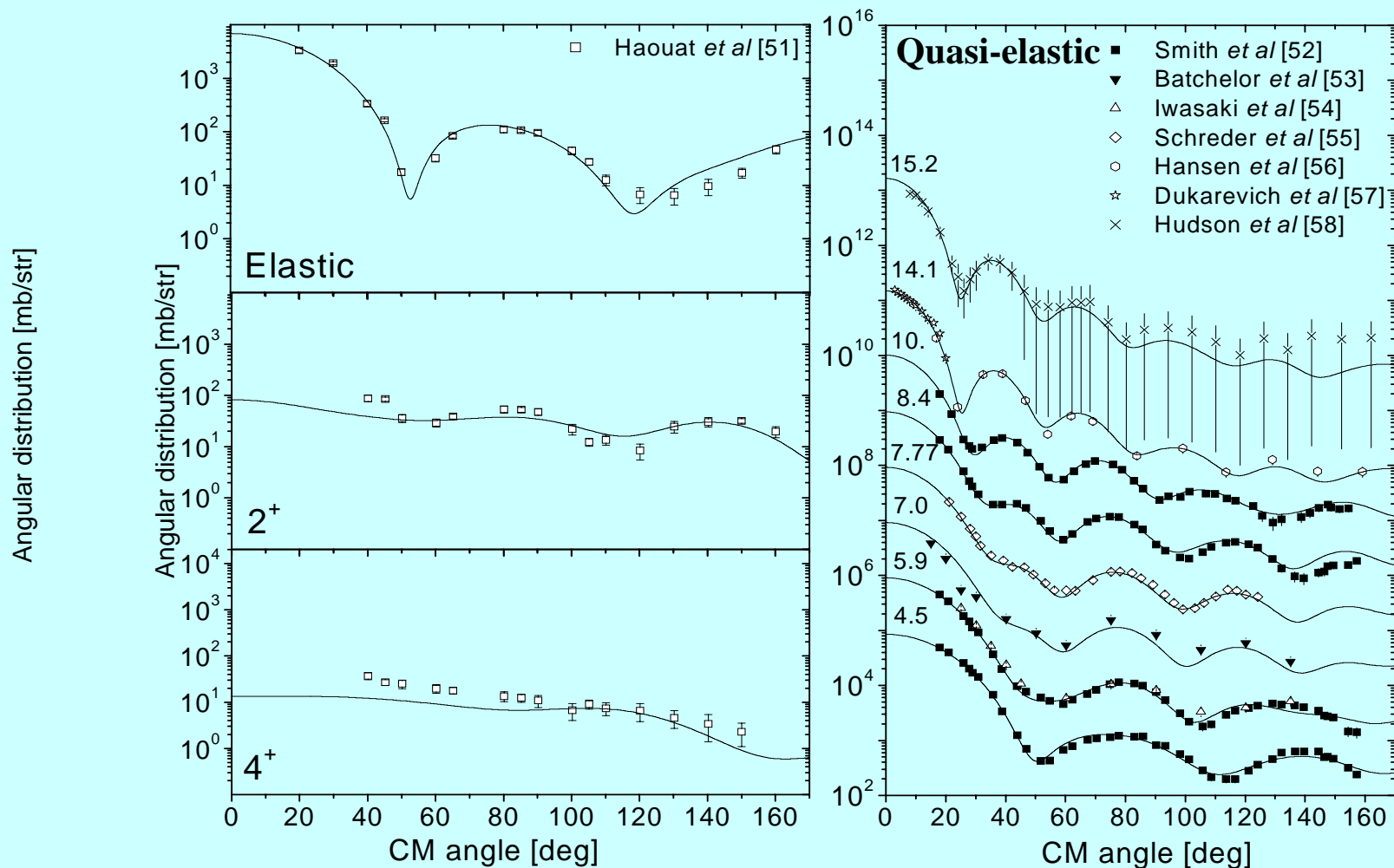
$R' = 9.68$

$R' = 9.65$ (.3)

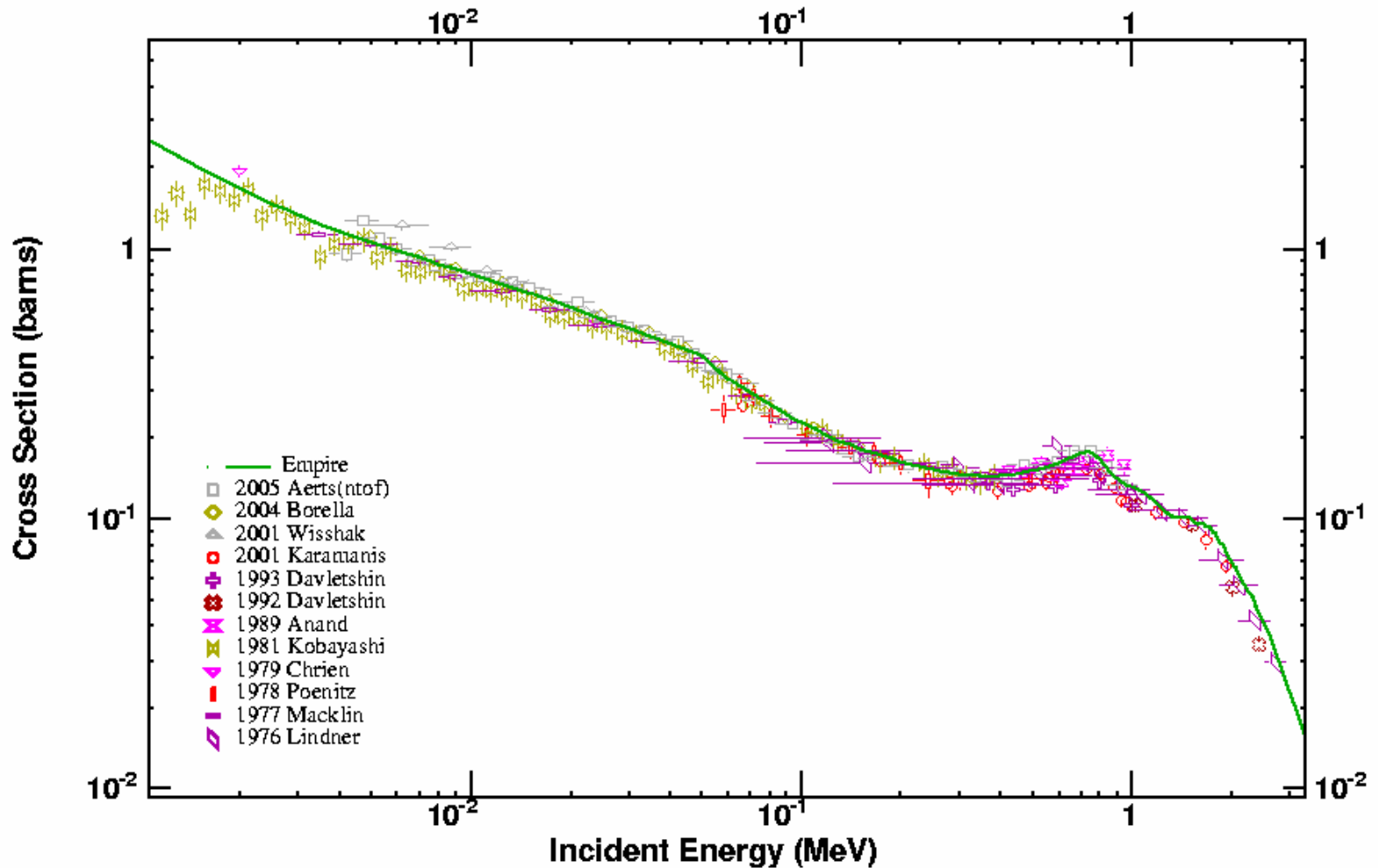
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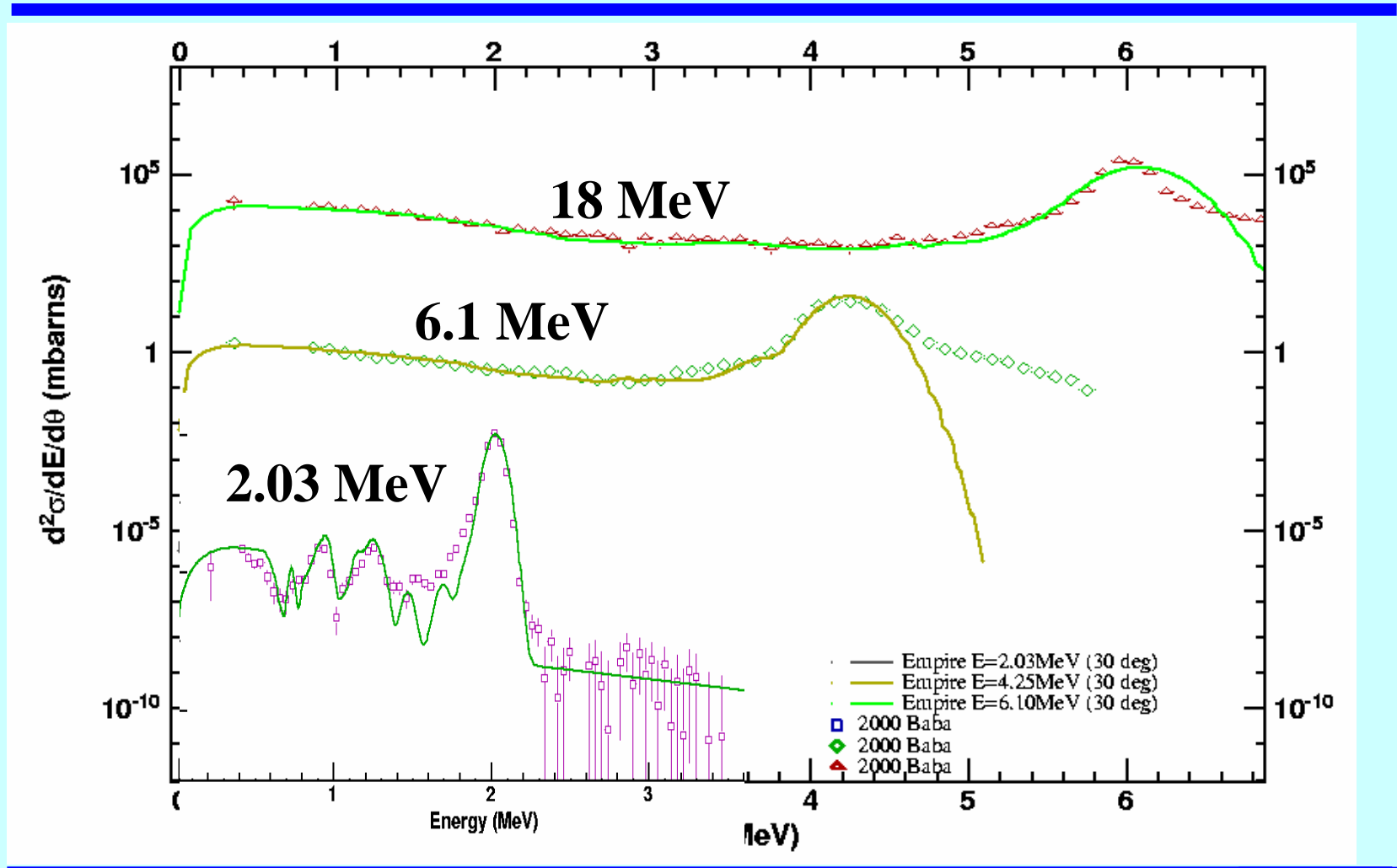
Neutron angular distributions



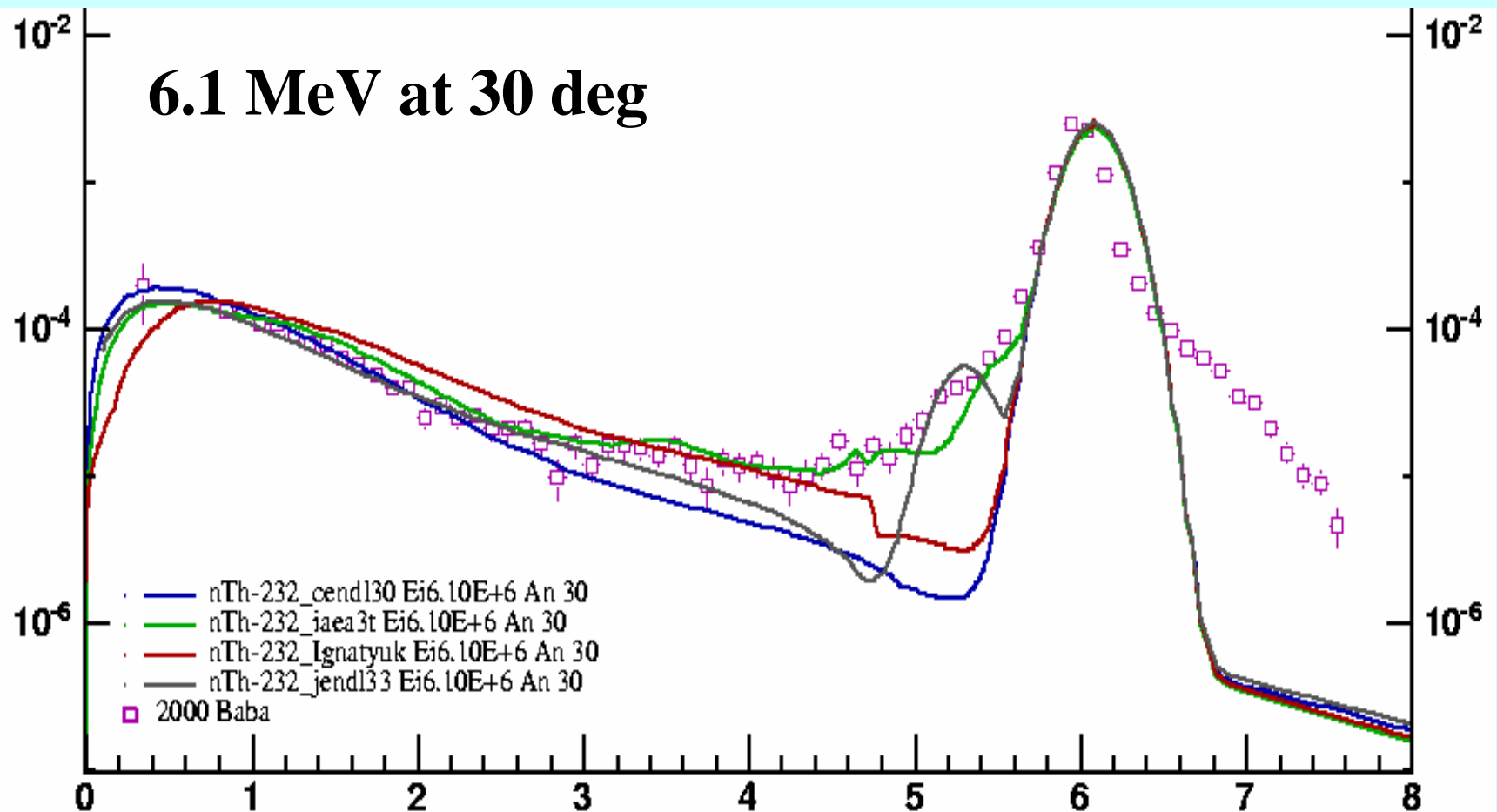
Neutron Capture



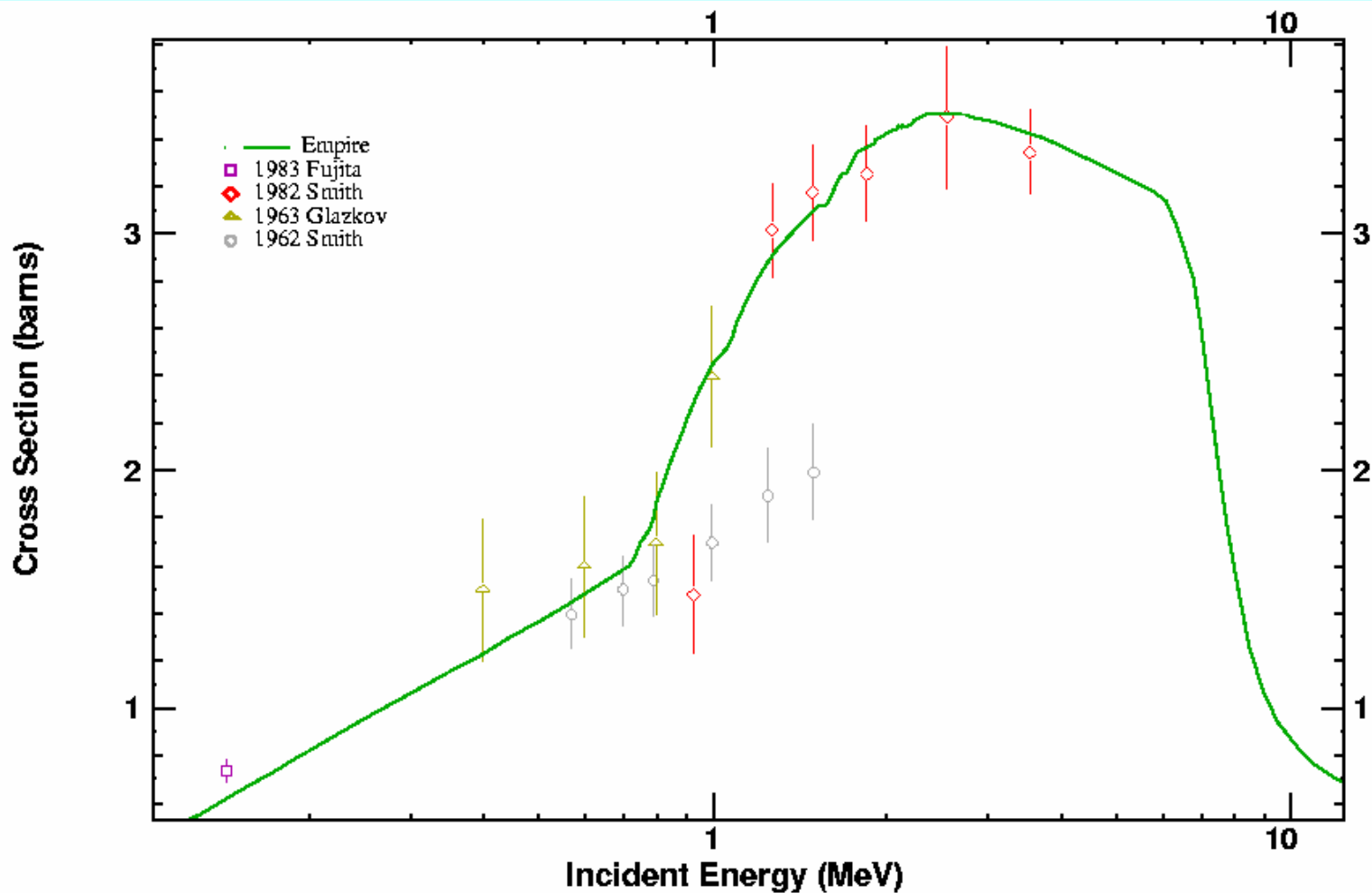
DDXS at 2.03, 6.1 and 18 MeV



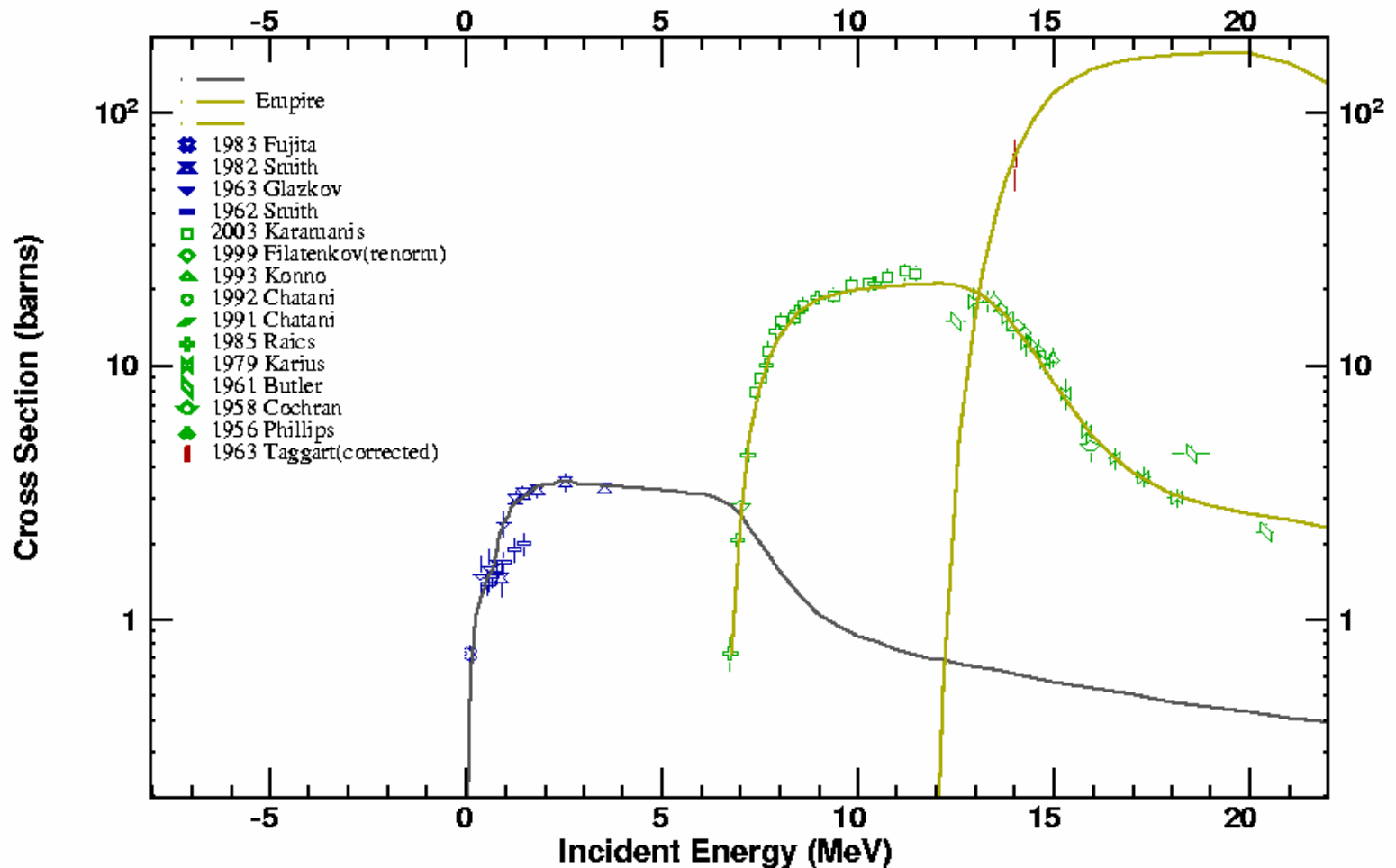
Recent evaluations (DDXS)



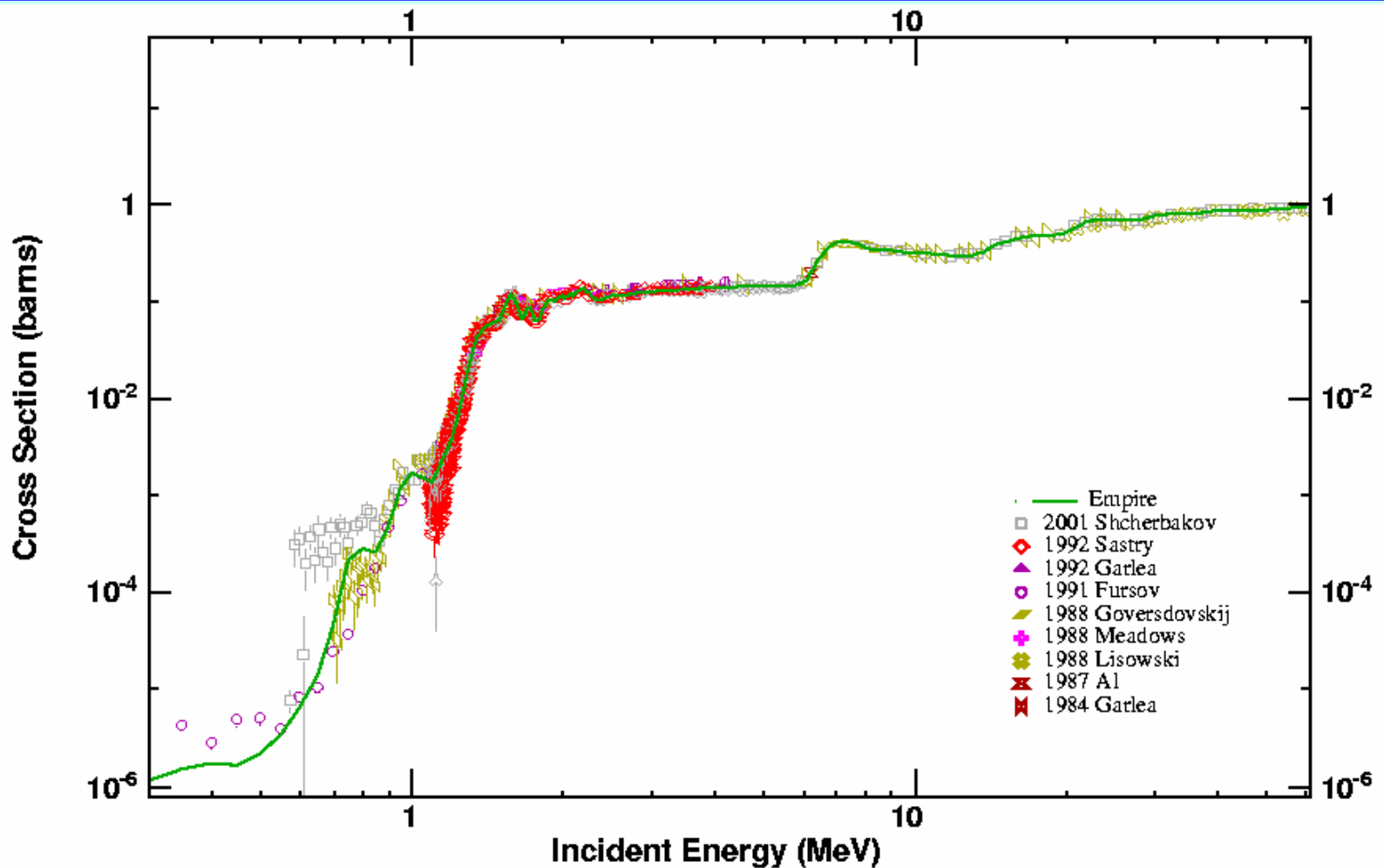
(n,INL)



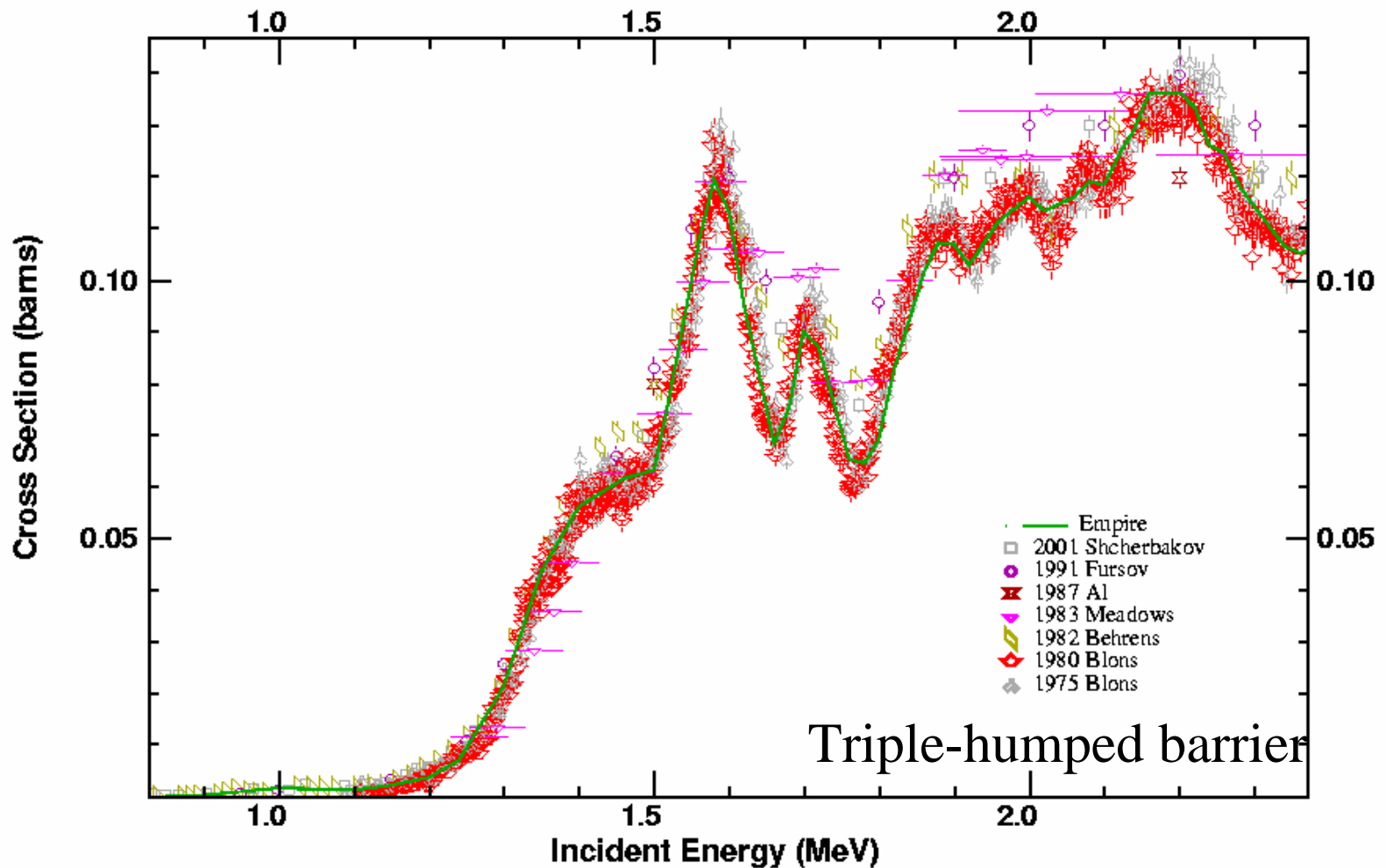
(n,INL), (n,2n), (n,3n)



Fission cross section



Near-barrier fission structure



Fission Spectra and ν -bar

Adopted from BROND (A. Ignatyuk):

- Prompt fission neutron spectrum
- Number of prompt neutrons per fission
- Delayed fission neutron spectrum
- Delayed neutron fraction



Resonance Parameters

- New resonance evaluation
 - Resolved range - Oak Ridge
 - Unresolved range – Geel
- Experimental data analysed with SAMMY
 - n-TOF data
 - Geel data
 - All other available data



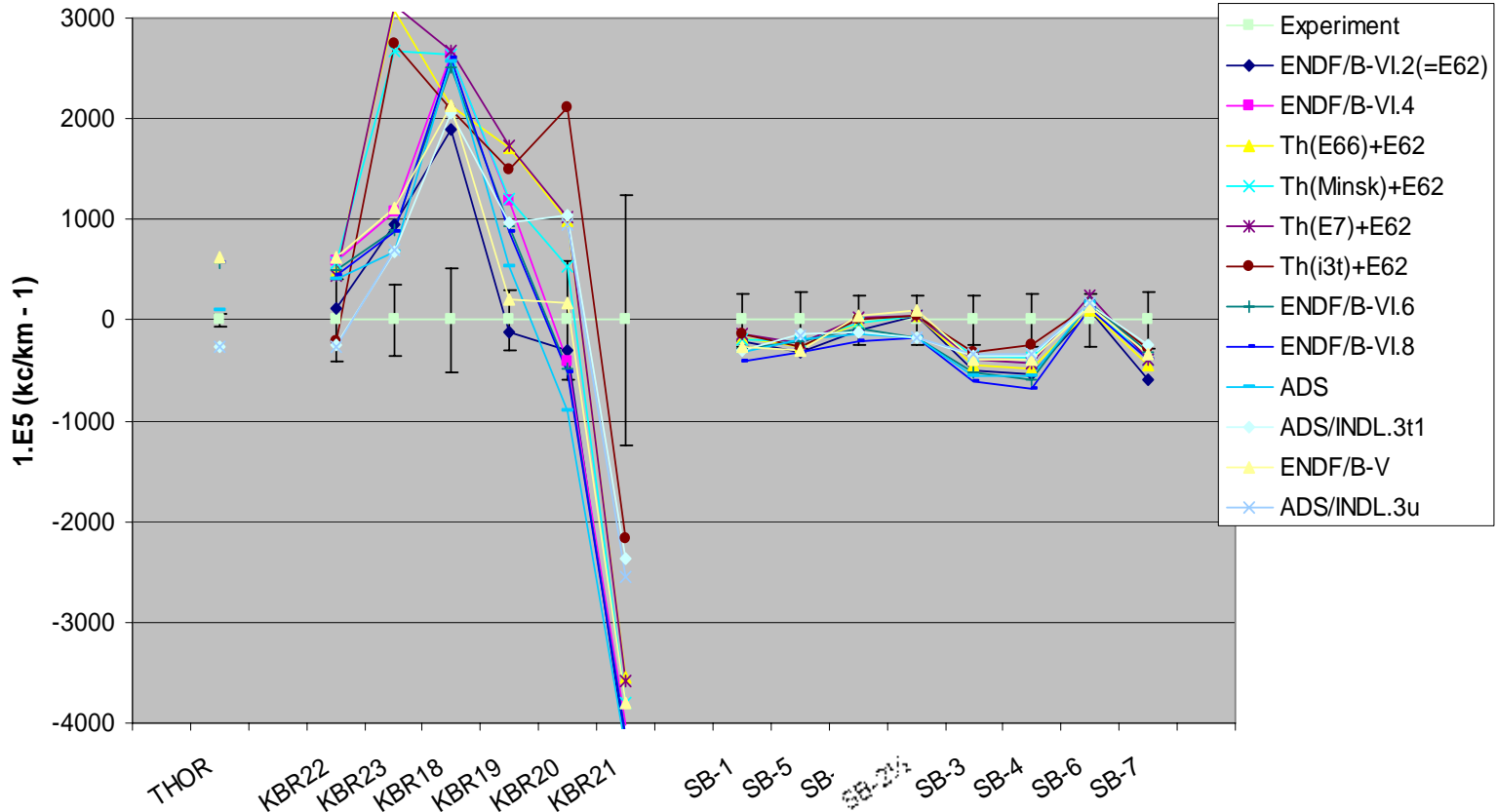
Benchmarking

Ident	Cases				
HEU-MET-FAST-068	1	KBR22	KBR22 (U/Th metal, polyethylene)		
HEU-MET-INTER-008	1	KBR23	KBR23 (U/Th metal, polyethylene)		
IEU-COMP-FAST-002	1	KBR18	KBR18 (90% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +Th metal+36% ²³⁵ UO ₂)		
IEU-COMP-INTER-001	1	KBR19	KBR19 (90% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +Th metal+36% ²³⁵ UO ₂ , polyethyl)		
	1	KBR20	KBR20 (90% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +Th metal, polyethylene)		
IEU-COMP-THERM-005	1	KBR21	KBR21 (36% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +Th metal, polyethylene)		
PU-MET-FAST-008	1	THOR	THOR Pu sphere/Th-reflector		
HEU-COMP-THERM-015	1	LWBR SB-1	LWBR SB-1 (93% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , ThO ₂ blanket)		
	1	LWBR SB-5	LWBR SB-5 (93% ²³⁵ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , ThO ₂ blanket)		
U233-COMP-THERM-001	1	LWBR SB-2	LWBR SB-2 (97% ²³³ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , ThO ₂ blanket)		
	1	LWBR SB-3	LWBR SB-3 (97% ²³³ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , UO ₂ +ThO ₂ blanket)		
	1	LWBR SB-4	LWBR SB-4 (97% ²³³ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , UO ₂ +ThO ₂ blanket)		
	1	LWBR SB-6	LWBR SB-6 (97% ²³³ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , ThO ₂ blanket)		
	1	LWBR SB-7	LWBR SB-7 (97% ²³³ UO ₂ +ZrO ₂ , UO ₂ +ThO ₂ blanket)		



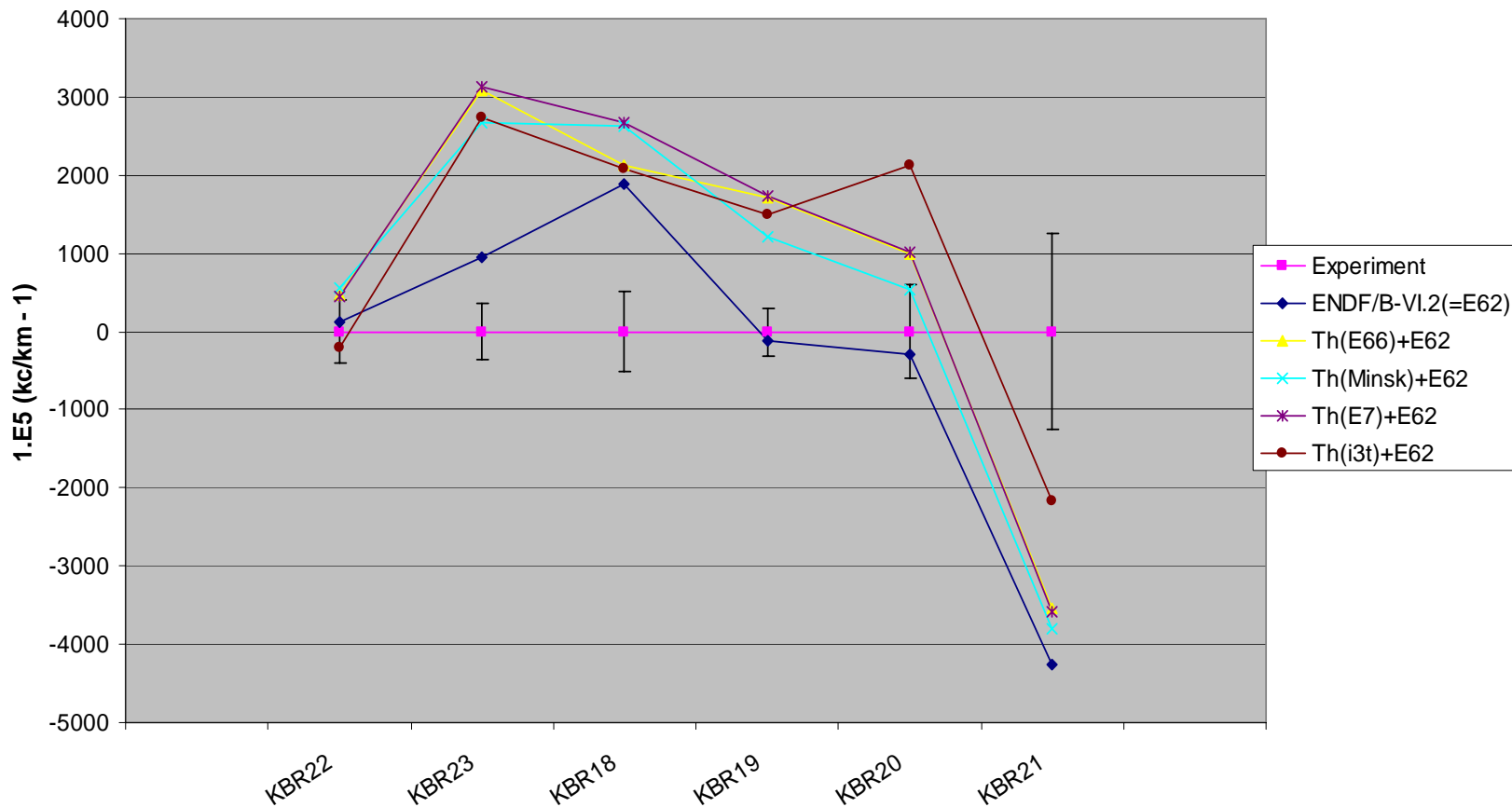
All Benchmarks

ICSBEP Benchmarks C/E-1 [pcm] (all cases)



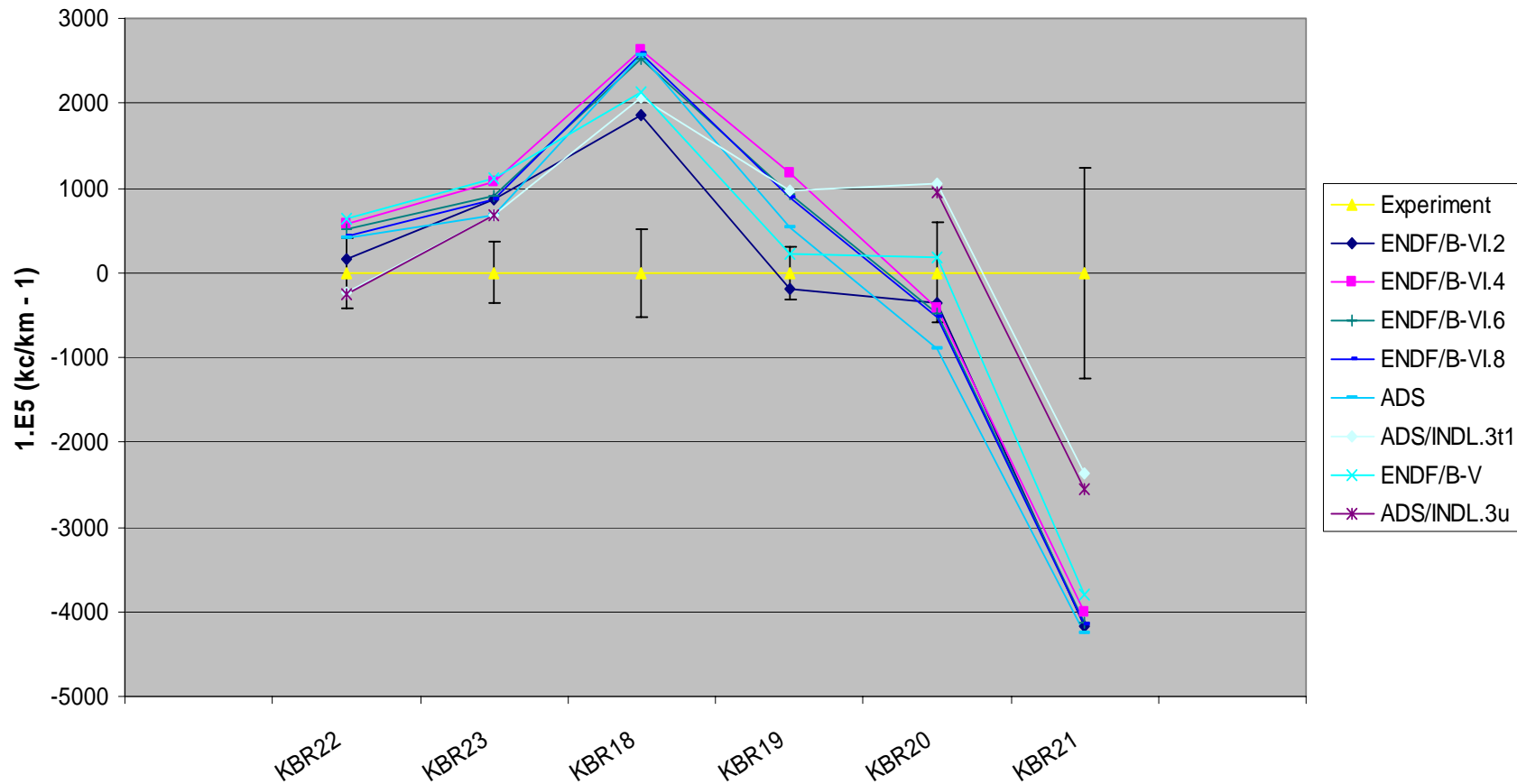
KBR Benchmarks

ICSBEP Benchmarks C/E-1 [pcm] (dependence on Th-232 data)

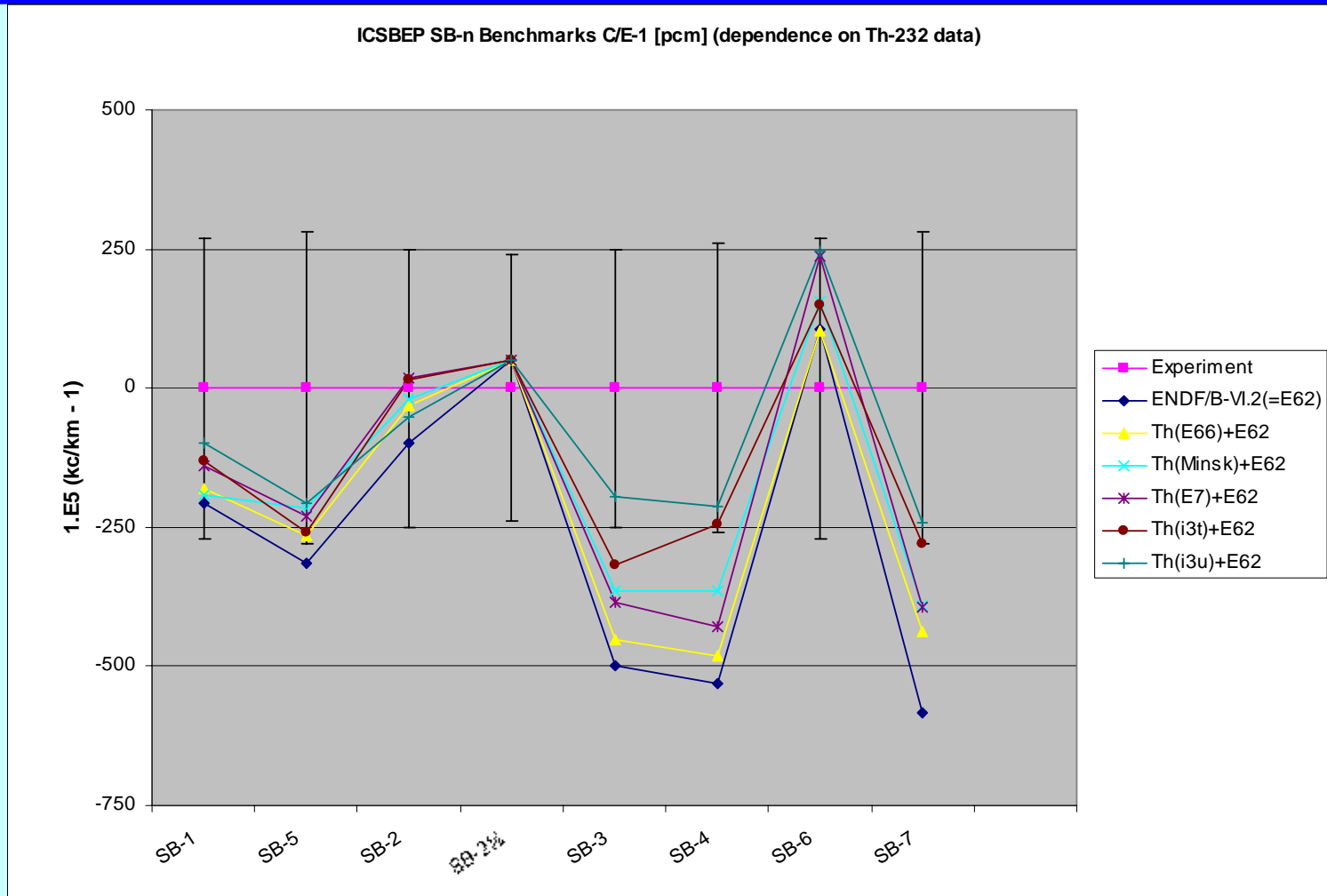


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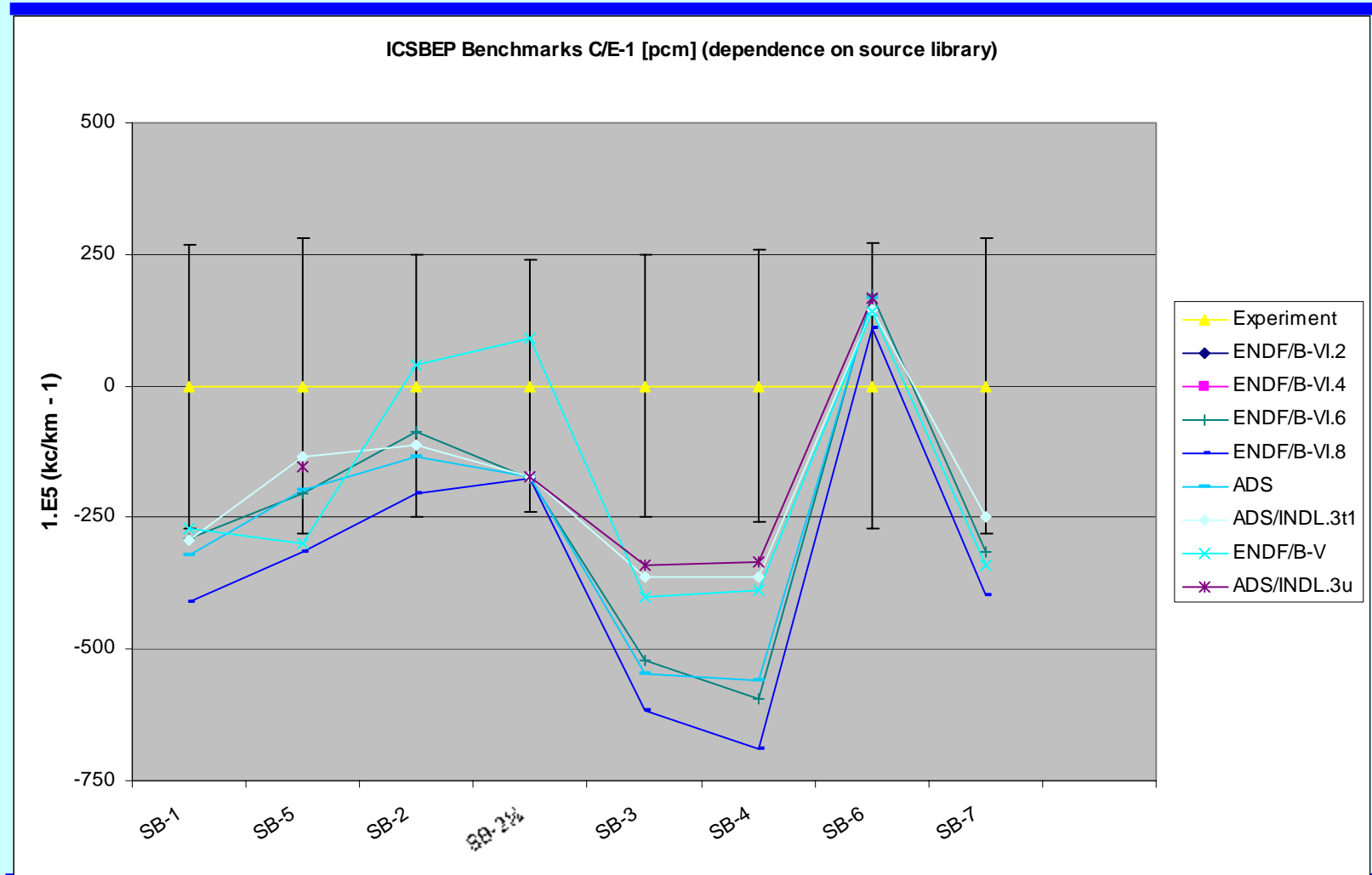
ICSBEP Benchmarks C/E-1 [pcm] (dependence on source library)



SB-n Benchmarks



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Conclusions

- Evaluated up to 60 MeV
- Best available nuclear models
- Resonance analysis includes most recent data
- Good agreement with differential data
- Benchmark calculations show improved agreement with integral measurements

➔ New ^{232}Th file seems acceptable

