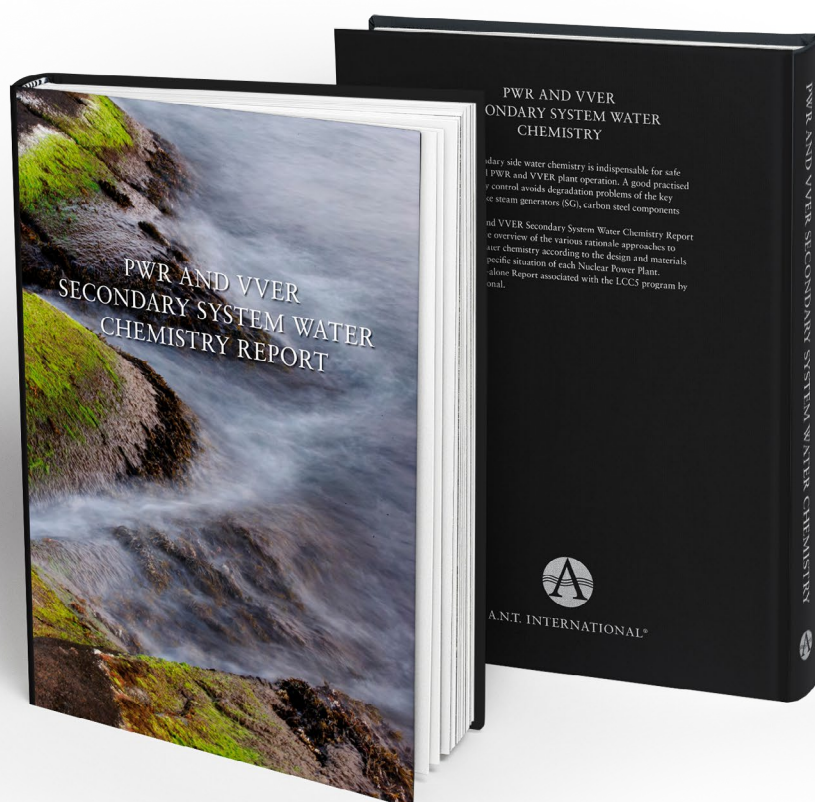




HANDBOOKS & REPORTS

PWR AND VVER SECONDARY SYSTEM WATER CHEMISTRY (SSWC)



Objective

The objective of the Stand Alone Report (SAR) PWR and VVER secondary system water chemistry is to:

- provide guidance for those needing to get an introduction to and an initial understanding of fundamentals of secondary water chemistry or,
- to update and refresh the memory of those with secondary water chemistry background or
- provide deep information on all aspects related to chemistry and corrosion of the entire secondary system, for those who already have a good knowledge.

The 350 pages book is properly arranged in Chapter and sub-chapters allowing to extremely easily finding the relevant information on design, R&D results, operation rationale and options.

The SAR Report covers the range from basic information to current knowledge.

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1) INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 1.1 Steam generator degradation problems
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- 1.3 Economical and environmental aspects

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 - *Concentration process of various species hide out phenomenon*
 - *Hide out return process*
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 - *Decomposition of amines in the secondary system*
 - *Origin and behaviour of organic species in the system*

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 - *Low pH ammonia AVT chemistry*
 - *Boric Acid Treatment (BAT)*
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- Developing the Chemistry Specifications for the French NPP and some others
- Interface with Manufacturers and Regulatory Body
- Chemistry and corrosion training
- Steam Generator blowdown and condensate polishers strategy
- Optimisation of secondary water chemistry for various objectives
- Steam Generator experience feedback and relation with chemistry
- Tutorial sessions and workshops for various organisms (France, IAEA)
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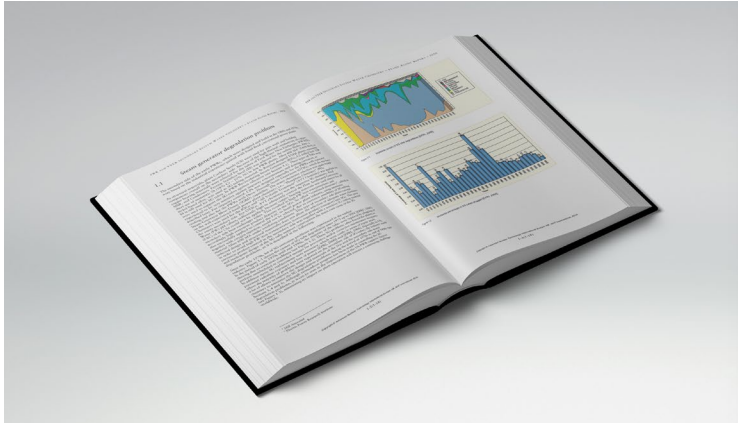


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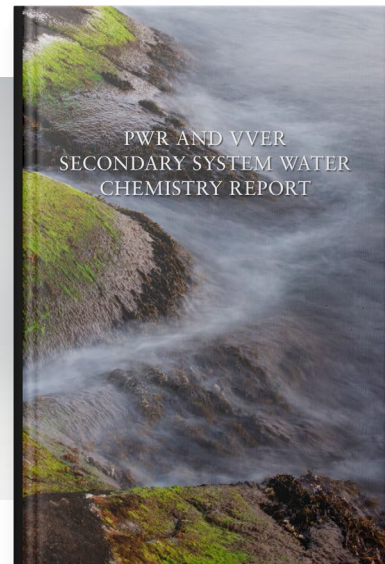
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- Commissioning of PWR plants
- Developing Chemistry Control concepts for PWRs
- Water Chemistry Guidelines
- Consulting in Power Plant Operation (Chemistry part)
- Improvement of Steam Generator Performance
- Man-Rem-Reduction
- Plant Life Extension (Chemistry measures)

- Steam Generator Chemical Cleaning
- Plant Chemistry Training Programs
- Secondary Side System Design & Material Review to improve Steam Generator Performance



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