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Preface

The 32èmes Journées des Actinides (32JA) and the fourth bi-annual School on Physics and Chemistry of Actinides (4SPCA) are held at the guest-house of kibbutz Ein-Gedi, Israel, an oasis on the shore of the Dead Sea, the lowest place on Earth (- 417 m), during the week of Sunday, 17 March 2002, to Friday, 22 March 2002. According to the six-year tradition, the 4SPCA (17-18 March 2002) precedes the 32JA (19-22 March 2002). The full financial support of the European Commission (EC) to the 4SPCA, the partial EC support of the 4SPCA lecturers, and the EC support of qualified 4SPCA students (including the 32JA and travel) institute the 32JA as a EuroConference.

The Journées des Actinides (JA) are a series of informal meetings devoted to the physics and chemistry of the actinides. The conference series started in 1972 in Grenoble, France, as a semi-annual meeting, providing its French title. It became annual since the 5JA, held in Fontenay-aux-Roses, France, in 1975. It is a European gathering, with a few participants coming from outside of Europe, and with an active participation of Israeli scientists. Indeed, the 13JA was held in Elat, Israel, in 1983, bringing together 52 foreign scientists and about 18 Israelis.

The 32JA coincides with the 50th anniversary of the discovery of the ferromagnetism of uranium hydride (UH₃) by Włodzimierz TRZEBIATOWSKI and his co-workers in Wrocław, Poland, and this event is celebrated in a special evening session on 18 March 2002, between the 4SPCA and 32JA, with a review by Robert TROĆ of Trzebiatowski Institute in Wrocław on the research conducted on UH₃ since the discovery of its ferromagnetism. Evidently, quite a large Polish delegation is coming to the 32JA.

The Organization of the 32JA in Israel was proposed to me by Gerry LANDER back in November 1999, in peaceful times, and I accepted to do it in Ein-Gedi, following approval by the Nuclear Research Centre - Negev. The first presentation of the 32JA was done at the 30JA in Dresden, and preparations continued under calm conditions, till the end of September 2000. From this time and on the organization continued in spite of the events in Israel and the territories, including invitation of 4SPCA lecturers and detailed presentation of the 4SPCA and 32JA at the 31JA in St. Malo, France. My persistence on keeping the program as scheduled stemmed from the full support I received from Gerry LANDER and the ITU scientists.

The 32JA is held in Ein-Gedi with an extremely low attendance of 50 participants, half of them from abroad, with just 38 oral and poster presentations. Nevertheless, the 4SPCA schedule includes a variety of lectures and an extremely large overall attendance. I highly appreciate the arrival of our colleagues from abroad, that did not abandon us in these difficult times. When better conditions will prevail in Israel, they should come and be our most esteemed guests. I wish all active participants and accompanying persons a good meeting in the very special site of Ein-Gedi.

Moshe Kuznietz
Chairman,
32JA Organizing Committee

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- 1230-1330 Lunch for early-arriving 4SPCA participants
- 1400-1830 Get together and administrative arrangements
- 1830-2000 Dinner for the 4SPCA participants
- 2030-2230 4th School on Physics and Chemistry of Actinides (4SPCA)**
Coordinator: Moshe KUZNIETZ
- 2030-2130 4SPCA lecture by Franck WASTIN (ITU, Karlsruhe, Germany)
“Insight in solid state chemistry of transuranium elements:
Sample preparation and characterization”
- 2130-2230 4SPCA lecture by Wojciech SUSKI (Trzebiatowski Ins, Wrocław, Poland)
“Preparation, magnetic, and related properties of ThMn₁₂-type
actinide and lanthanide compounds”
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Monday, 18 March 2002

- 0700-0830 Breakfast for the 4SPCA participants
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- 0830-0930 4SPCA lecture by Peter M. OPPENEER (IFW, Dresden, Germany)
“The electronic structure of actinide materials from first-principles theory”
- 0930-1030 4SPCA lecture by Gerry H. LANDER (ITU, Karlsruhe, Germany)
“Neutron scattering in the study of actinides”
- 1030-1100 Coffee break
- 1100-1200 4SPCA lecture by Pekka PYYKKÖ (University of Helsinki, Finland)
“Chemical bonds in actinide molecules”
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- 1530-1630 4SPCA lecture by Moris S. EISEN (Technion, Haifa, Israel)
"Designing catalytic reactions with organoactinides"
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- 2030-2200 Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the discovery of ferromagnetism of uranium hydride by Trzebiatowski *et al.* in Wrocław, Poland**
Chairperson: Jan GENOSSAR
- 2030-2040 Krzysztof BOJKO, Press Officer at the Polish Embassy (Tel-Aviv)
"Greeting for the anniversary celebration"
- 2040-2050 Moshe KUZNIETZ (NRCN, Beer-Sheva, Israel)
"Development of the Polish-Israeli actinide-science relations"
- 2050-2100 Jan GENOSSAR (Technion, Haifa, Israel)
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Tuesday, 19 March 2002

- 0700-0830 Breakfast for the 32JA participants
- 0830-1000 32èmes Journées des Actinides (32JA) - Opening session**
Chairperson: Moshe KUZNIETZ
- 32JA OPENING ADDRESS
Dov SHVARTS, Deputy Director,
Nuclear Research Centre - Negev (NRCN), Beer-Sheva, Israel
- 32JA ORGANIZING COMMITTEE REPORTS
Gerry H. LANDER (ITU, Karlsruhe, Germany), European Member
Uzi ATZMONY (NRCN, Beer-Sheva, Israel), Israeli Member
Moshe KUZNIETZ (NRCN, Beer-Sheva, Israel), Chairman

- 1000-1100 32JA Session A**
Chairperson: Pekka PYYKKÖ
- 1000-1030 32JA oral contribution A1
ELECTRONIC STRUCTURE INVESTIGATION OF AMERICIUM
MONOPNICTIDES
Dipta B. GHOSH, Subodh K. DE, Peter M. OPPENEER, and
Michael S. S. BROOKS
- 1030-1100 32JA oral contribution A2
CRYSTAL STRUCTURE AND AGING OF PLUTONIUM-238
METAL
Sergey I. GORBUNOV and Anatoly G. SELEZNEV
- 1100-1130 Coffee break
- 1130-1230 32JA Session B**
Chairperson: Wojciech SUSKI
- 1130-1200 32JA oral contribution B1
EXAFS STUDIES OF THE Am³⁺ AND Cm³⁺ AQUO IONS
Harald FUNKE, Thorsten STUMPF, Andre ROSSBERG,
Christoph HENNIG, and Tobias REICH
- 1200-1230 32JA oral contribution B2
RAMAN SCATTERING AND LUMINESCENCE IN UO₂ AND
OXIDIZED URANIUM SURFACES
Tsachi LIVNEH
- 1230-1400 Lunch for the 32JA participants
- 1430-1600 32JA Session C**
Chairperson: Yoshinobu SHIOKAWA
- 1430-1500 32JA oral contribution C1
PREDICTIONS FOR NEW, EXOTIC ACTINIDE SPECIES
Pekka PYYKKÖ
- 1500-1530 32JA oral contribution C2
PECULIARITIES OF THE CHEMICAL BOND IN THORIUM
COMPOUNDS AND FINE X-RAY PHOTOELECTRON AND
O_{4,5}(Th) EMISSION SPECTRAL STRUCTURE
Yury A. TETERIN, Vladimir A. TEREHOV, Mikhail V. RYZHKOV,
Anton Yu. TETERIN, Igor O. UTKIN, Kirill E. IVANOV, and
Labud J. VUKCHEVICH
- 1530-1600 32JA oral contribution C3
NOVEL REACTIVITY OF THE CATIONIC COMPLEX
Jiaxi WANG, Aswini K. DASH, Jean-Claude BERTHET,
Michel EPHRITIKHINE, and Moris S. EISEN

1600-1630 Coffee break

1630-1800 32JA Session D
Chairperson: Julia STEPIEŃ-DAMM

1630-1700 32JA oral contribution **D1**
MICROSTRUCTURES AND CRYSTALLOGRAPHY OF U-Mo α''
PHASE
Efraim DABUSH, Giora KIMMEL, Itzhak DAHAN, and
Joseph SARIEL

1700-1730 32JA oral contribution **D2**
LONG-TERM AMORPHIZATION OF C⁺ AND N₂⁺ IMPLANTED
LAYERS ON A URANIUM SURFACE
Rami ARKUSH, Moshe H. MINTZ, Giora KIMMEL, and
Noah SHAMIR

1730-1800 32JA oral contribution **D3**
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 α -URANIUM FOR THE STUDY OF PLASTICITY
Gabriel A. FRANK, Roni Z. SHNECK, Alex LANDAU, and
Arie VENKERT

1830-2000 Dinner for the 32JA participants

2000-2200 32JA poster session P

32JA poster contribution **P1**
MAGNETIC ORDERING OF ThFe_xAl_{12-x} POWDER SAMPLES
Katarzyna REĆKO, Ludwik DOBRZYŃSKI, Krzysztof SZYMAŃSKI,
Dariusz SATUŁA, Krystyna PERZYŃSKA, Maria BIERNACKA, Piotr ZALESKI,
Janusz WALISZEWSKI, Wojciech SUSKI, Konrad WOCHOWSKI,
Michael HOFMANN, and Dietmar HOHLWEIN

32JA poster contribution **P2**
SPECIFIC HEAT OF THE UCu_{4+x}Al_{8-x} DERIVATIVES
Wojciech SUSKI, Andrzej CZOPNIK, and Konrad WOCHOWSKI

32JA poster contribution **P3**
ELECTRONIC STRUCTURE OF THE COMPOUNDS YFe₄Al₈ AND ScFe₄Al₈ -
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André M. STRYDOM, Robert TROĆ, and Andrzej CZOPNIK

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Robert TROĆ, Konrad WOCHOWSKI, Andrzej CZOPNIK, Halina MISIOREK, Czesław SUŁKOWSKI, Danuta WŁOSEWICZ, and Takemi KOMATSUBARA

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Andrzej WOJAKOWSKI, Tomasz CICHOREK, Ryszard WAWRYK, Zygmunt HENKIE, and Frank STEGLICH

32JA poster contribution **P7**

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Julia STEPIEŃ-DAMM, Vasyli' ZAREMBA, and V. HLUKHYY

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Rafał MICHALSKI and Ryszard J. RADWANSKI

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Shai SALHOV, Giora KIMMEL, Uzi ATZMONY, and Moshe P. DARIEL

32JA poster contribution **P10**

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Daniel MORENO

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Yoshinobu. SHIOKAWA, T. YAMAMURA, and N. WATANABE

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Józef SZNAJD

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Aleksander BILEWICZ

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Michal STRAKA

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Tamer ANDREA, Jiayi WANG, Ilya GOUREVICH, and Moris S. EISEN

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Eyal BARNEA and Moris S. EISEN

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Richard JARDIN, Virginia CURRAN, and Kenneth R. CZERWINSKI

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Marc A. VIAL, Christina SHERMAN, Kenneth R. CZERWINSKI, and
Donald REED

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MnCl₂-UCl₄ SYSTEM
Wiesław GAWEŁ, Agata GÓRNIAK, and Alina WOJAKOWSKA

2215-2300 Special (optional) lecture by Ayala GILAD (Kibbutz Ein-Gedi)
"The secret of unity: The Ein-Gedi story"

Wednesday, 20 March 2002

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Chairperson: Peter M. OPPENEER

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URANIUM COMPOUNDS AND THEIR Np/Pu HOMOLOGUES
Franck WASTIN, Pascal BOULET, Eric COLINEAU, and
Jean REBIZANT

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MAGNETIC FLUCTUATIONS IN THE ORDERED STATE OF
THE FERROMAGNETIC SUPERCONDUCTOR UGe₂
Robert TROĆ, Takemi KOMATSUBARA, Czesław SUŁKOWSKI, and
Halina MISIOREK

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PREPARED BY SOLID-STATE REACTION
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Michael AIZENSHTHEIN, and Ilan YAAR
- 1000-1030 Coffee break
- 1030-1200 32JA Session F
Chairperson: Andrzej WOJAKOWSKI
- 1030-1100 32JA oral contribution F1
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PROPERTIES OF Np_3Si_2
Pascal BOULET, Eric COLINEAU, Franck WASTIN, and
Jean REBIZANT
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Eddy LELIEVRE-BERNA, Alexander V. ANDREEV,
Vladimir SECHOVSKÝ, and Frederic BOURDAROT
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Moshe DUBMAN, Hanania ETTEDGUI, and Moshe KUZNIETZ
- 1200-1330 Lunch for the 32JA participants
- 1400-1800 Dead-Sea floating, black mud, and Ein-Gedi Spa
- 1830-2000 Dinner for the 32JA participants
- 2000-2200 32JA poster session P (continuation of Tuesday's session)
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Thursday, 21 March 2002

- 0700-0815 Breakfast for the 32JA participants
- 0830-1300 Guided Tour of Metzada (Massada)
(Foreign participants transported by Israeli participants)
- 1300-1430 Lunch for the 32JA participants

- 1430-1600 **32JA Session G**
Chairperson: Robert TROĆ
- 1430-1500 32JA oral contribution **G1**
HIGH-FIELD-MAGNET EXPERIMENTS ON US SINGLE
CRYSTALS
Andrew CHRISTIANSON, Gerry H. LANDER, Sandy KERN,
Neil HARRISON, and Oscar VOGT
- 1500-1530 32JA oral contribution **G2**
RESONANT X-RAY SCATTERING FROM MULTI-k MAGNETIC
STRUCTURES
Matt J. LONGFIELD, Jose A. PAIXÃO, Nick BERNHOEFT, and
Gerry H. LANDER
- 1530-1600 32JA oral contribution **G3**
SOME PRELIMINARY STUDIES OF ACTINIDE SYSTEMS THAT
NEED COMPLETION: UBi, (U,Ce)N, ThM₂X₂ (M=Co,Ni,Cu;X=Si,Ge)
Moshe KUZNIETZ
- 1600-1630 Coffee break
- 1630-1730 **Panel Discussion on the Future of Actinide Basic Research**
Coordinator: Gerry H. LANDER
- 1730-1800 **Summaries of the 4SPCA and 32JA;
Announcements on Future JA's**
- 1900-2100 Banquet for the 32JA participants
- 2100-2200 Special lecture by Yuval BARTOV (Kibbutz Ein-Gedi)
"Lake levels of the Dead Sea during the last glacial period"
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Friday, 22 March 2002

- 0700-0830 Breakfast for the 32JA participants
- 0900-1130 Guided Tour of the Botanical Garden in kibbutz Ein-Gedi
- 1200-1330 Lunch for the 32JA participants
- 1400 Farewell Departure for the Center of Israel

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Starting with the 26èmes Journées des Actinides held in Szklarska Poręba, Poland, in 1996, a bi-annual School on the Physics and Chemistry of Actinides (SPCA) preceded the meeting (held in Wrocław). Following the 2SPCA that preceded the 28JA in Uppsala, Sweden, in 1998 and the 3SPCA that preceded the 30JA in Dresden, Germany, in 2000, the 4SPCA precedes the 32JA in Ein-Gedi in 2002. Its main goal is the introduction of young scientists into the field of basic properties of the actinides, possibly as future support to the nuclear science and industry. Together with the young scientists coming to the School from abroad, mainly from the European Union and its associated countries, young Israelis participate in the School, benefitting from the fact that it is held in Israel. For some of these Israelis it will be the only possible way to be exposed to the subject matter involved in the School and the Journées.

The present EuroConference (including the 4SPCA and 32JA) is supported by the European Commission in the framework of the program for High-Level Conferences. Qualified students under the age of 35, with nationality of the EU and its associated states, residing in these states or elsewhere, are supported throughout the 4SPCA and the 32JA, and reimbursed for their economy-class travel from their original countries of nationality to Israel and back, provided that they present contributions at the 32JA. The 4SPCA lecturers receive partial financial support for their 32JA participation.

The 4SPCA lecturers and their lecture titles and times of presentation are the following:

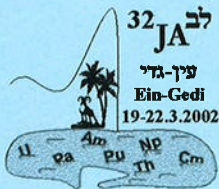
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Trzebiatowski UH₃ session

The 50th anniversary of the discovery of the ferromagnetism of uranium hydride (UH₃)

by Włodzimierz TRZEBIATOWSKI and co-workers in Wrocław, Poland, will be celebrated in a special evening session, following the

Fourth School on Physics and Chemistry of Actinides (4SPCA) and preceding

the 32èmes Journées des Actinides (32JA),

at the guest-house of kibbutz Ein-Gedi, on Monday, **18 March 2002.**

The discovery, reported in the original short paper (souvenir copy enclosed)

Własności magnetyczne metalicznego uranu i wodoru uranu (Magnetic properties of metallic uranium and uranium hydride)

by Włodzimierz TRZEBIATOWSKI, Alfred ŚLIWA, and Bohdan STALIŃSKI, which effectively started the basic research on the physics and chemistry of actinide systems, with which the Journées des Actinides are concerned, was published in *Roczniki Chemii* **26** (1952) 110-112, with a receipt date of **17 March 1952.**

This paper was followed by a more detailed paper

Własności magnetyczne wodoru i deuteru uranu (Magnetic properties of uranium hydride and deuteride)

by Włodzimierz TRZEBIATOWSKI, Alfred ŚLIWA, and Bohdan STALIŃSKI, published in *Roczniki Chemii* **28** (1954) 12-20, with a receipt date of **2 July 1953.**

Monday, 18 March 2002

- 2030-2200** Session celebrating the 50th anniversary of the discovery of UH₃ ferromagnetism by Trzebiatowski *et al.* in Wrocław, Poland
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WŁASNOŚCI MAGNETYCZNE METALICZNEGO URANU I WODORKU URANU

Magnetic properties of metallic uranium and uranium hydride

W ramach systematycznych badań własności magnetycznych niektórych metali przejściowych i ich związków z wodorem, zmierzono również współczynniki podatności magnetycznej metalicznego uranu i wodoru uranu UH_3 .

Zastosowana została znana metoda Gouya przy użyciu elektromagnesu*) wzbudzonego maksymalnie do natężenia pola 10.810 gaussów. Oznaczenie współczynnika podatności magnetycznej przeprowadzono w zakresie temperatur od 80° do 292°K dla uranu metalicznego, a od 80° do 462°K dla wodoru uranu. Temperatura mierzona była cechowanym termometrem oporowym lub rtęciowym**). Stosowano pręt uranu metalicznego o średnicy 2,0 mm, długości 154 mm, ciężarze 9,291 g, czystości spektralnie kontrolowanej, wykazujący tylko ślady zawartości obcych metali. Jako substancję wzorcową stosowano sól Mohra ($\chi = 32,76 \cdot 10^{-6} - 20^\circ\text{C}$) oraz 20,01% roztwór chlorku niklowego ($\chi = 6,32 \cdot 10^{-6} - 20^\circ\text{C}$), a mierzone współczynniki χ ekstrapolowano na $H \rightarrow \infty$. Wyniki podaje tablica 1.

Tablica 1

Uran metaliczny

Temp. $^\circ\text{Kelvina}$	Natężenie pola w gaussach				ekstrapolowane na $H \rightarrow \infty$
	4790	7670	9320	10.810	
80	2,42	2,17	2,10	2,04	$1,75 \cdot 10^{-6}$
135	2,34	2,10	2,03	1,97	1,69
165	2,10	1,96	1,91	1,87	1,68
186	1,84	1,78	1,76	1,75	1,68
292	1,80	1,77	1,75	1,73	1,67

*) Konstrukcja własna.

**) Opis aparatury podany zostanie w szczegółowej publikacji

Z tablicy tej wynika, że w temperaturach poniżej 186°K występuje zależność współczynnika podatności magnetycznej od natężenia pola, która w temperaturach wyższych jest bardzo nieznaczna.

Własności magnetyczne uranu metalicznego w niższych temperaturach nie były dotąd badane. Ostatnio wyznaczono je dla czystego metalu¹⁾ w zakresie temperatur od $+20^{\circ}$ do $+350^{\circ}\text{C}$, przy czym wartość współczynnika podatności przy $+20^{\circ}\text{C}$ wyniosła $1,74 \cdot 10^{-6}$, a więc była bardzo zbliżona do osiągniętego przez nas wyniku.

O własnościach magnetycznych wodorku uranu UH_3 informuje jedynie krótka wzmianka²⁾, że związek ten jest silniej paramagnetyczny od metalicznego uranu. Do naszych badań wodorek uranu syntezowano z metalicznego uranu i wodoru uzyskanego przez rozkład wodorku paladalu w aparaturze próżniowej, wykluczającej powietrze i umożliwiającej bezpieczne przesypywanie pyroforycznego produktu do rurki szklanej, w której dokonywano pomiaru współczynnika podatności^{**}). Masa wodorku wynosiła 3,641 g. Z uwagi na wysoką wartość χ dokonywano pomiarów przy maksymalnie 5.040 gaussach. Uzyskane wyniki podano w tablicy 2.

Tablica 2

Wodorek uranu UH_3

Temperatura $^{\circ}\text{Kelvina}$	χ
195	$+183,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$
255	38,6
273	31,1
295	25,9
337	19,2
366	16,6
391	14,8
426	13,0
462	11,7

Wodorek uranu w przeciwieństwie do metalu wykazuje wybitną zależność temperaturową χ . W temperaturach wyższych nie stwierdzono zależności χ od natężenia pola magnetycznego. Natomiast poniżej 173°K wodorek uranu staje się ferromagnetyczny. Jest to pierwszy przypadek ferromagnetyzmu w związkach aktynowców, podczas gdy u lantanowców znany jest od dawna ferromagnetyzm czystych metali w rodzaju gadolinu i innych.

Dalsze badania nad wodorkiem a także deuterkiem uranu — w toku.

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SUMMARY

The magnetic susceptibilities of pure metallic uranium and uranium hydride were determined in the temperature range from 80° to 292°K and from 80° to 462°K respectively. Metallic uranium offers paramagnetic properties, practically independent of temperature. Uranium hydride is strongly paramagnetic with a high positive temperature increment. Below 173°K UH₃ has ferromagnetic properties.

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