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Search for the inverse fission of uranium¹ W. LOVELAND, R. YANEZ, J. BECKERMAN, M. LEONARD, G. PETTERSSON, Oregon State University, C.J. GROSS, D. SHAPIRA, J.F. LIANG, Z. KOHLEY, R.L. VARNER, Oak Ridge National Laboratory — A search for the “inverse fission” of uranium has been made. Two “inverse fission” reactions were studied, the reaction of $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{100}\text{Mo}$ and the reaction of $^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{100}\text{Mo}$. In the former case, evaporation residues were searched for using (a) in-beam α -spectroscopy, (b) post-irradiation α -spectroscopy and (c) in-beam detection of recoiling evaporation residues while in the latter case, the evaporation residue, ^{230}U was searched for using post irradiation radio-analytical techniques. Data acquisition and analysis is on-going with expected upper limits or production cross sections of < 1 microbarn. The implications of these results for determining the fusion probability, P_{CN} , in the collisions of massive nuclei are discussed.

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