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Development of AMS procedure for measurement of ^{93}Zr WENT-
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ROBERTSON, CHRISTOPHER SCHMITT — The procedure for measuring ^{93}Zr
($t_{1/2} = 1.5 \text{ Ma}$) by AMS is currently being developed at the Nuclear Science Lab at
the University of Notre Dame and we report on first experiments performed in this
direction. AMS detection of ^{93}Zr can potentially be applied to address astrophys-
ical and environmental issues: (1) the measurement of the $^{92}\text{Zr}(n,\gamma)^{93}\text{Zr}$ reaction
cross-section at nucleosynthesis s -process relevant temperatures, (2) the search for
potential live ^{93}Zr from a supernova in deep sea sediments, (3) hydrological and
radioactive waste tracing. The measurement of ^{93}Zr requires adequate separation
from its stable isobar ^{93}Nb . We are currently working on optimizing this separation
by using the GasFilled Magnet technique with additional multiple dE measurements
in a focal plane ionization chamber.

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