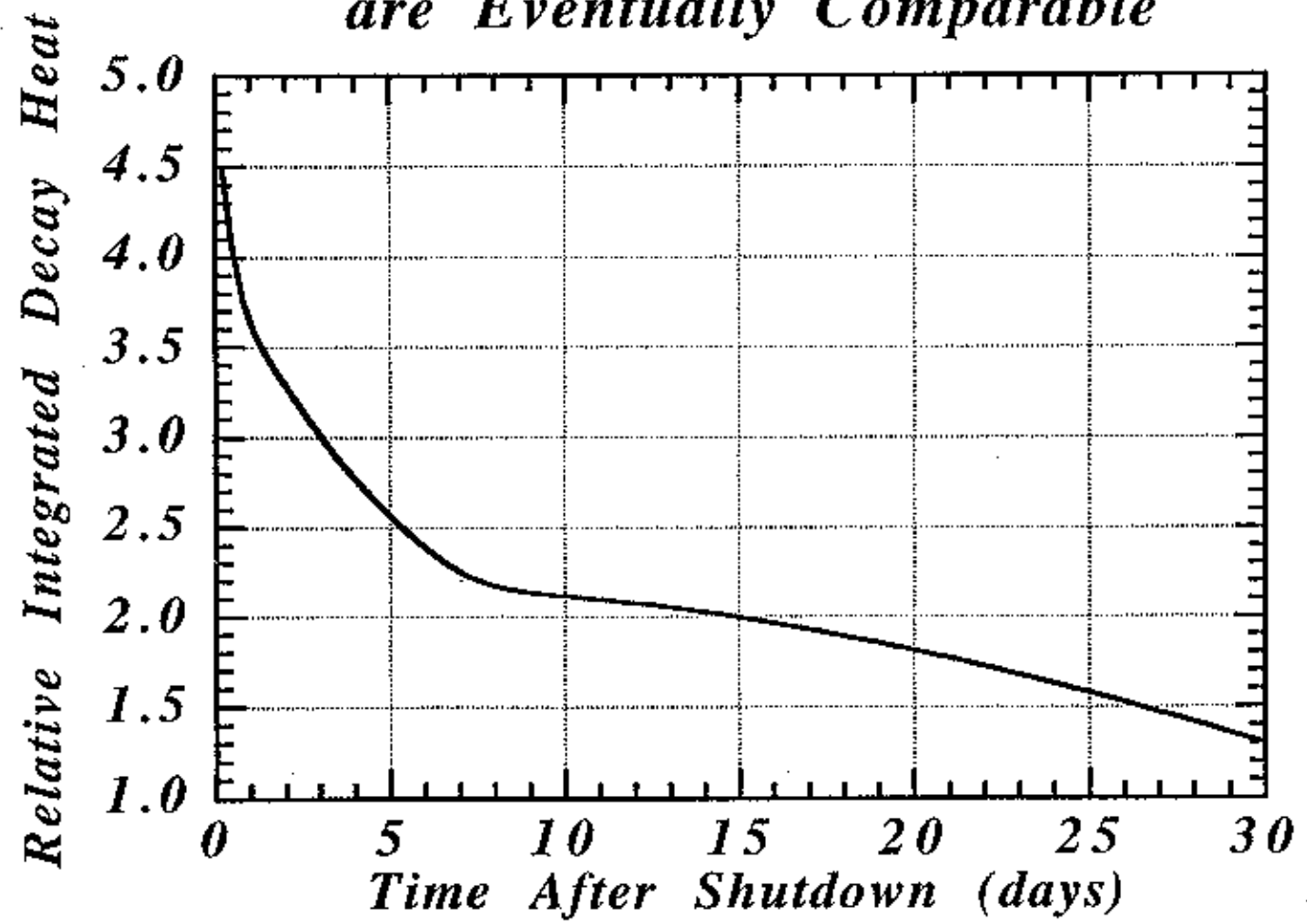
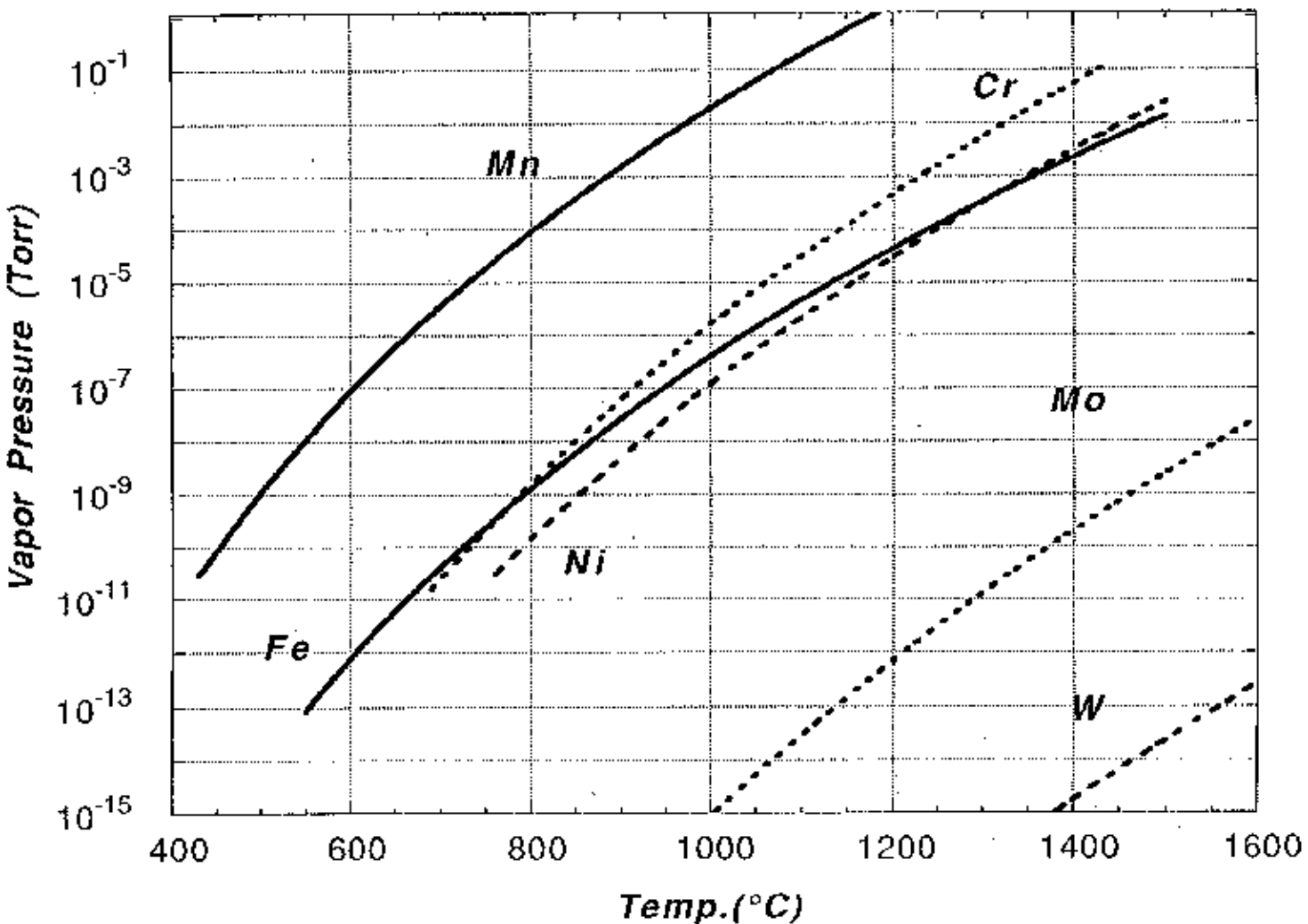


*In Spite of High Short Term Afterheat From Mn steels,  
Total Energy Released by Mn-SS and 316 SS  
are Eventually Comparable*



# Manganese is the Most Volatile Radioactive Alloy Element in Stainless Steels



# Environmental Aspects of Fusion Power

1.) Curies/unit power = C

2.) Biological Hazard Potential

$$BHP^i = \frac{C^i}{(MPC)_i}$$

where  $(MPC)_i$  is the maximum permissible concentration of radioisotope i in :

- air (inhalation) mainly for accidents
- water ( ingestion) mainly for leakage in waste storage facilities

MPC Example -  $^{55}\text{Fe}$

	Occupational		General Public	
	microcurie/ml		microcurie/ml	
Form	Air	Water	Air	Water
soluble	$9 \times 10^{-7}$	$2 \times 10^{-2}$	$3 \times 10^{-8}$	$8 \times 10^{-8}$
insoluble	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	$7 \times 10^{-2}$	$3 \times 10^{-8}$	$2 \times 10^{-3}$

$$MPC \dots \propto \frac{1}{\text{Eff. Half - Life} \dots t_{1/2}^E}$$

$$\frac{1}{t_{1/2}^E} = \frac{1}{t_{1/2}^B} + \frac{1}{t_{1/2}^P}$$

if  $t_{1/2}^P \gg t_{1/2}^B$  then  $MPC \propto \frac{1}{t_{1/2}^B}$

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# Density of Radioactivity

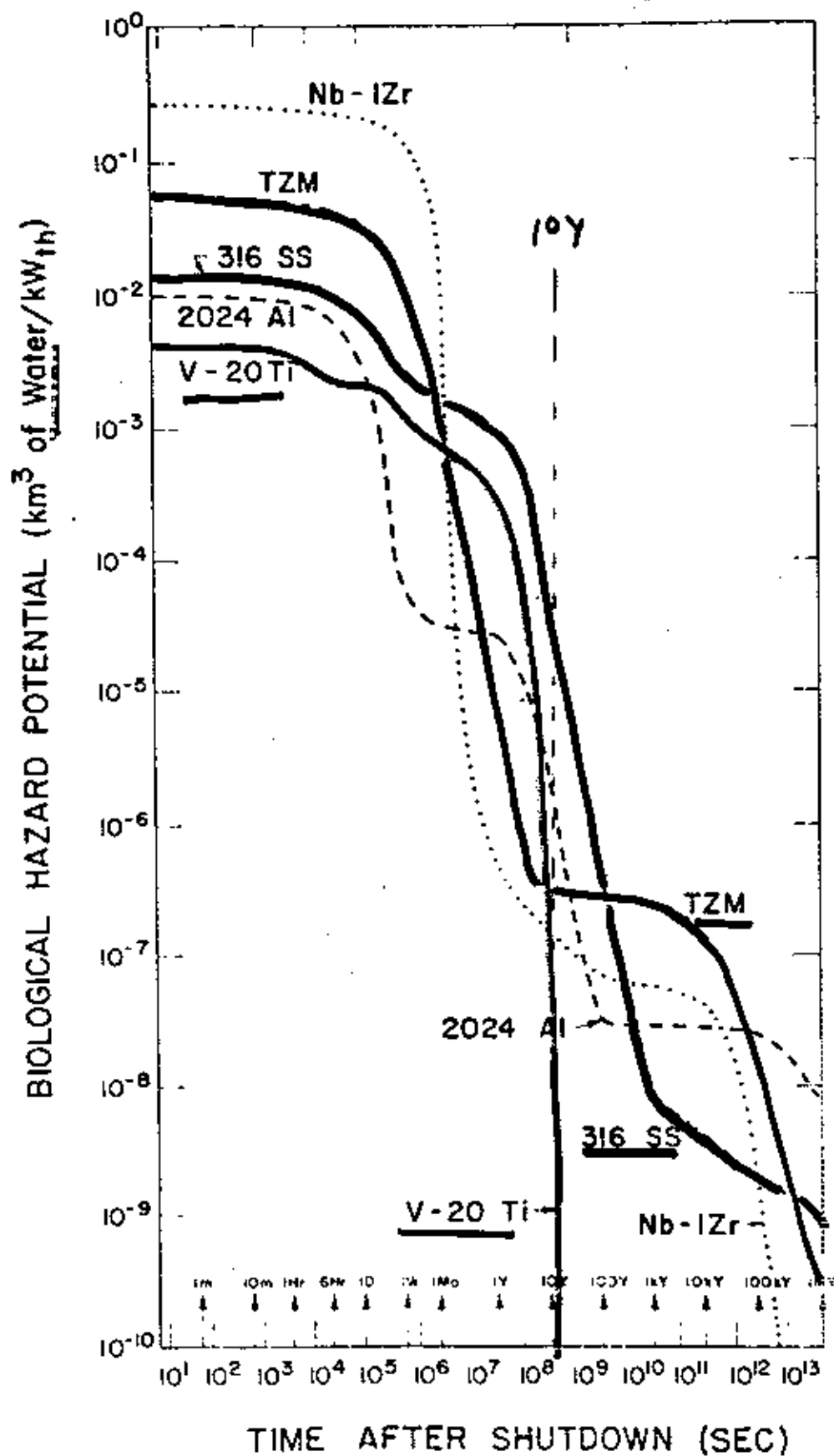
*Curies*

*cm<sup>3</sup>*

<b>Alloy</b>	<b>t = 0</b>	<b>t = 1 d</b>	<b>t = 1 y</b>	<b>t = 100 y</b>
Nb1Zr	158	94	0.0006	0.00005
TZM	125	83	0.04	0.007
316 SS	100	68	29	0.005
2024 Al	44	8.7	0.3	0.00001
V-20Ti	27	6.6	0.31	<10 <sup>-37</sup>
Nat U				0.000006->

## **BHP- Level Figure-air,water**

<b>Alloy</b>	<i>km<sup>3</sup> Air</i>	<i>km<sup>3</sup> Water</i>	
	<i>cc - metal</i>	<i>cc - metal</i>	
	<b>t=0</b>	<b>t=100 Y</b>	<b>t=10,000</b>
<b>TZM</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>316SS</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>0.03</b>
<b>2024 Al</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Nb1Zr</b>	<b>0.36</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>
<b>V-20Ti</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>insig.</b>	<b>insig</b>
<b>Natural U</b>	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0..2</b>

CTR Blankets After Shutdown - H<sub>2</sub>O Diluent



**Another way to approach radioactivity is to calculate the total BHP over the life time of an isotope ( a long lived isotope could effect many generations)**

**Integrated BHP = IBHP**

$$\text{IBHP}(i) = (\text{BHP})_i \cdot \int_{t=0}^{\infty} \exp(-\lambda t) dt$$

$$\text{where } \lambda = \frac{0.693}{t_{1/2}^P}$$

$$\text{IBHP}(i) = \text{BHP}(i)_{t=0} \frac{t_{1/2}^P}{0.693}$$

**Since we are interested in long lived isotopes( much longer than a lifetime)**

$$t_{1/2}^P \gg t_{1/2}^B$$

$$\text{IBHP} \propto t_{1/2}^P \cdot t_{1/2}^B$$

## Summary of IBHP for Irradiated Fusion Materials for H<sub>2</sub>O Diluent

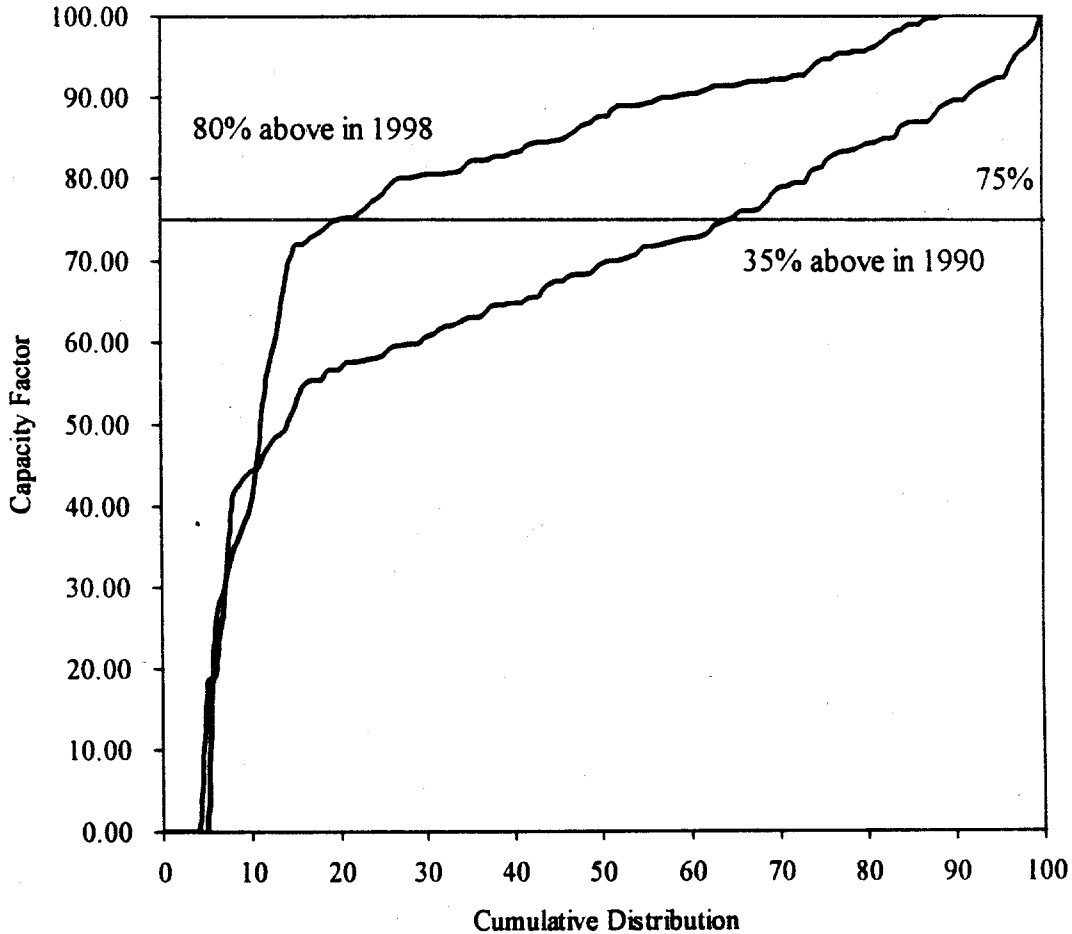
<b>Material</b>	<b><math>\frac{10,000 \text{ km}^3 \text{ of } H_2O - s}{\text{cc of first wall}}</math></b>
<b>2024 Al</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>TZM</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>316SS</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Nb-1Zr</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>V-20 Ti</b>	<b>1.6</b>
<b>Natural U</b>	<b>0.2</b>

## Comparison of Integrated BHP For Fusion Reactor and LMFBR

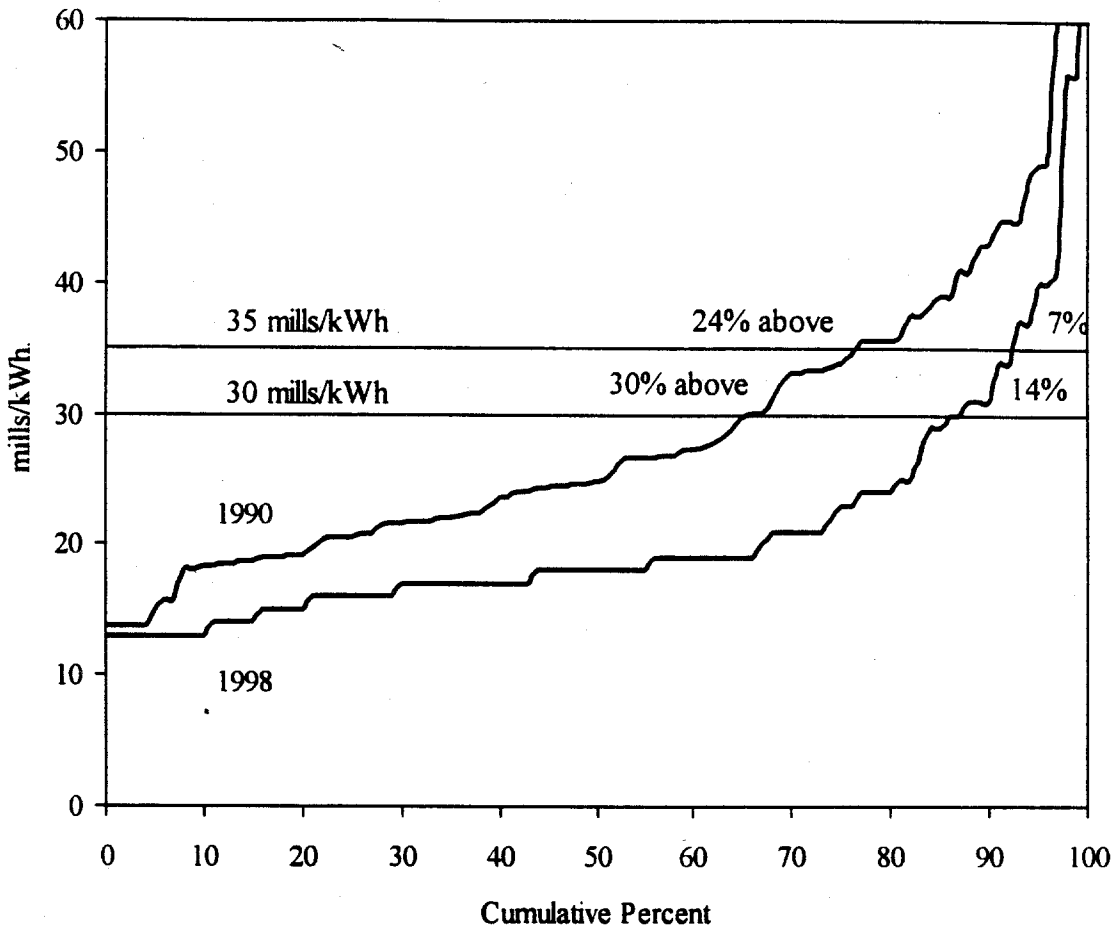
	<b><u>IBHP</u></b> <b><math>\frac{\text{km}^3_{H_2O} - s}{\text{kW}_{th}} \times 10^{-5}</math></b>
<b>Fission</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>2024 Al</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>316 SS</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>TZM</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Nb-1Zr</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>V-20Ti</b>	<b>0.4</b>



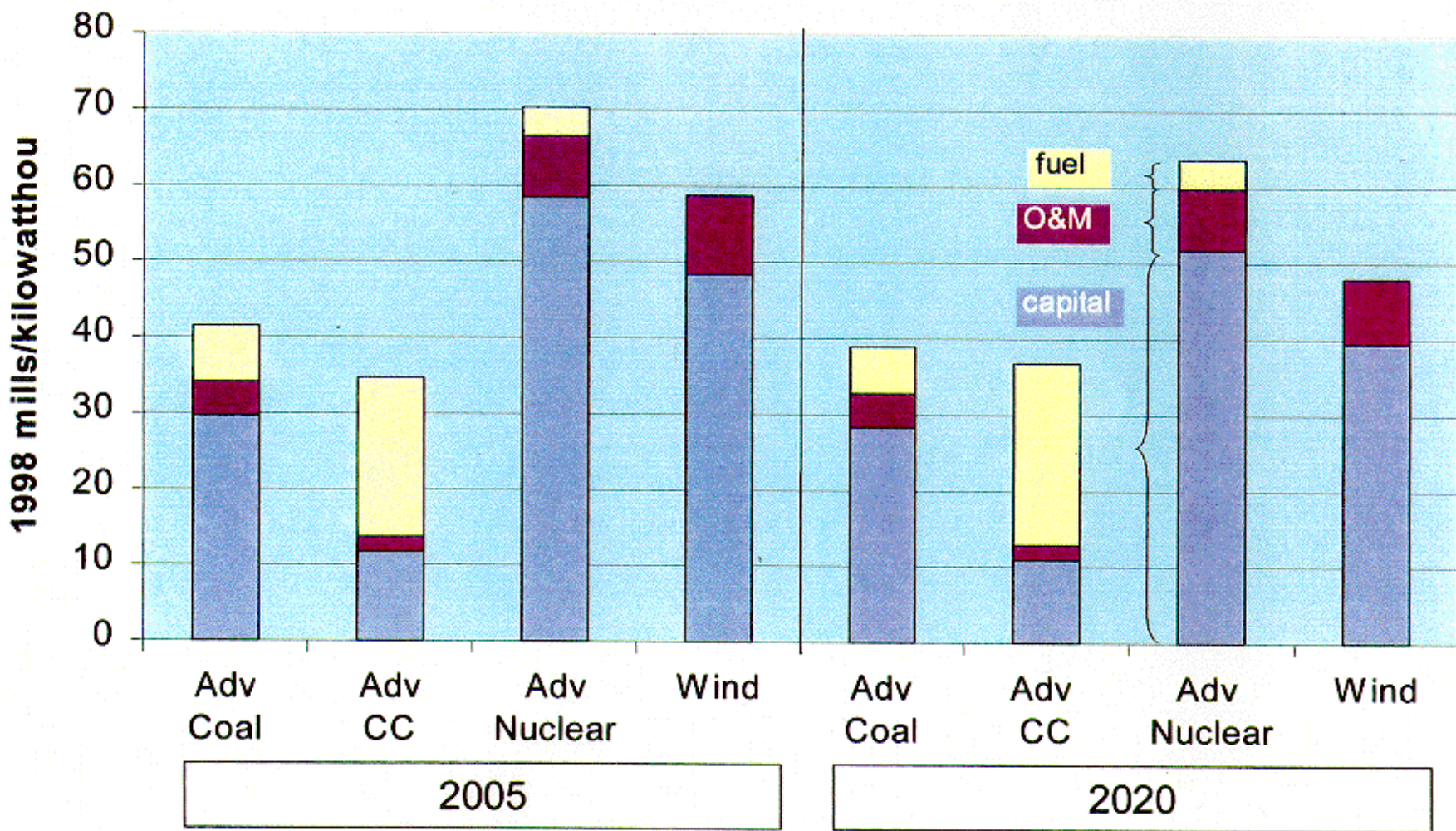
**Figure 5: Cumulative Distribution of Capacity Factors, 1990 and 1998**



**Figure 4: Distribution of Average Variable Expenses, 1990 and 1998  
(in 1996\$)**



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## Key Points From NEEP-423

- **Materials for Fission Reactors**
  - **Metallic Fuels**
    - Stability*
    - IFR*
  - **Enrichment**
    - Approach*
    - Quantitative Analysis*
  - **Zr**
    - Reason for Development*
    - Alloying Effects*
  - **Fuel Element Performance**
    - Reason for Oxides*
    - Effect of Stoichiometry*
    - Temperature Profiles*
    - Conductivity Integral*
  - **Fuel Element Chemistry**
    - Effect of Stoichiometry*
    - Vapor Pressure Effects*

## Key Points From NEEP-423 (cont.)

- **Swelling Due to Fission Products**

  - Coalescence of bubbles*

  - Migration of vacancies, interstitials, and gas atoms*

  - Motion of bubbles*

  - What is bubble resolutioning?*

  - Nucleation and growth of clusters*

  - Concept of what is in a bubble*

  - Motion of bubbles in  $T$  and  $\sigma$  gradients*

- **Pore Migration and Restructuring**

  - Difference between pores, voids and bubbles*

  - Movement of pores in gradients*

- **Fission Gas Release**

  - Mechanisms for gas release*

  - Significance of gas atom release (or non-release)*

- **Pressure Vessels**

  - PWR's order of problems*

  - BWR's order of problems*

  - Mitigating phenomena*

- **Fusion Materials**

  - Differences From Fission*

  - Key Requirements*

  - Radiation Differences*

  - Radioactivity*