



# Radiation Detection and Measurement

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## Course Overview

This 4-day course was developed to provide an overview of the instruments and techniques important in the detection and spectroscopy of ionizing radiation, and to strengthen an understanding of the physical processes underlying their application. It stresses the development of a basic understanding of the principles of operation of these devices, and helps develop an ability to inter-compare and select instrumentation best suited for different applications. It will provide an opportunity for those new to the field to gain a broad perspective of measurement options, and for practitioners to refresh their knowledge in areas outside their own specialties. This course is based on the new updated 4th edition textbook "Radiation Detection and Measurement" by Dr. Glenn Knoll and now covers many new subjects as well as new scintillator materials that can achieve better energy resolution by a factor of two compared with traditional materials. The 4th edition textbook also presents new material on ROC curves, micropattern gas detectors, new sensors for scintillation light, and digital techniques in detector pulse processing, as well as revised discussions on TLDs and cryogenic spectrometers, radiation backgrounds, and the VME instrumentation standard. Dr. Knoll's book has attained widespread recognition as the standard published work in the field, and a copy is provided to all course registrants. The presentation and lecture notes, which were developed by Dr. Knoll, will also be distributed and serve as a supplement to the text.

## THIS COURSE WILL HELP YOU....

- ♦ Strengthen your understanding of the instruments and techniques important in the detection and spectroscopy of ionizing radiation.
- ♦ Evaluate and compare the latest developments in radiation instrumentation presented by leading manufacturers.
- ♦ Improve your perspective and ability to evaluate measurement systems for different applications.
- ♦ Understand the applicability and limitations of all major types of detectors.
- ♦ Gain a thorough understanding of gamma and neutron spectroscopy and the systems used in multichannel analysis.

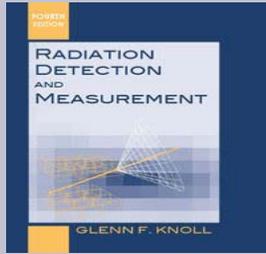
## Who Should Attend ...

This course has been developed for scientists, health physicists, technical managers, engineers, RSO's, technicians and other personnel having responsibilities relating to performing, documenting, and reviewing radiation measurements.



## On-site Training

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Dr. Knoll's 4th edition textbook "Radiation Detection and Measurement" will be provided to all course registrants

## How To Register ...

**Course Fee:** \$1395

**Visit our website at:**

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or call 860-738-2440

Registration questions can be emailed to  
[info@tmscourses.com](mailto:info@tmscourses.com)

*\$50 discount for two or more registrants  
from the same company*

## ACCOMMODATIONS

This course will be held at Orlando  
Airport Marriott Lakeside



A block of rooms has been reserved  
at reduced rates for course partici-  
pants. Please make your reservation  
directly with the hotel by calling  
407-851-9000

## Continuing Education Credits

AAHP has awarded this course  
40 continuing education credits

## Instructional Topics

### RADIATION INTERACTIONS

- Charged Particles
- Fast Electrons
- Gamma Rays and X-Rays
- Neutron Interactions
- Effects in Detector Spectra

### BASIC DETECTOR PROPERTIES

- Pulse Height Spectra & Counting Curves
- Energy Resolution
- Detection Efficiency
- Dead-time

### IONIZATION CHAMBERS

- Ionization in Gases
- Current Mode Ion Chambers
- Application to Radiation Dosimetry
- Pulse Mode Operation
- Gridded Ion Chambers

### PROPORTIONAL COUNTERS

- Gas Multiplication
- Design Features of Proportional Tubes
- Detection Efficiency and Counter Curves
- Position Sensing Techniques

### GEIGER-MUELLER COUNTERS

- The Geiger Discharge
- Counting Plateau
- Fill Gases and Quenching
- Time Behavior

### SCINTILLATION DETECTORS

- Organic, Liquid and Plastic Scintillators
- Inorganic Scintillators
- Intercomparison of Scintillator Performance

### PHOTOMULTIPLIER TUBES AND PHOTODIODES

- Light Collection and Coupling
- Photocathodes and Electron Multipliers
- Characteristics of PM Tubes
- Use of Photodiodes with Scintillators

### SEMICONDUCTOR DIODE DETECTORS

- Basic Principles and Configurations
- Energy and Time Resolution
- Applications in Charged Particle and Electron Spectroscopy

### GERMANIUM GAMMA RAY DETECTORS

- HPGe detector configurations
- Operational characteristics

### OTHER SEMICONDUCTOR DETECTORS

- Si(Li) Spectrometers
- Applications in X-Ray Spectroscopy
- Cadmium telluride and mercuric iodide

### NEUTRON DETECTION AND SPECTROSCOPY

- Slow Neutron Conversion Reactions
- Proportional and Scintillation Detectors
- Moderation Detectors
- Proton Recoil Spectrometers

### PULSE PROCESSING AND SHAPING

- Conventional and Active Reset Preamplifiers
- Pulse Shaping Methods
- Baseline Restoration
- Pile-up Rejection
- Timing and Coincidence

### MULTICHANNEL ANALYSIS

- MCA Components and Operation
- ADC Characteristics and Specifications
- PC-Based Systems
- Spectrum Stabilization and Analysis

### MISCELLANEOUS DETECTORS

- Cerenkov Detectors
- Liquid Ionization and Proportional Detectors
- Photographic Emulsions
- Track Etch Detectors
- Thermoluminescent Dosimeters
- Superheated Drop Detectors

### DETECTOR BACKGROUND AND SHIELDING

- Sources of Background
- Effectiveness of Shielding Materials
- Active Background Suppression

### INTERCOMPARISON OF DETECTOR PROPERTIES

- Detection Efficiency
- Speed of Response
- Energy Resolution
- Suitability for Various Applications



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