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## Activation cross section measurements of the $^{92,94,100}\text{Mo}(a,n)^{95,97,103}\text{Ru}$ reactions and optical potentials for modelling explosive nucleosynthesis scenarios

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Alpha-nucleus optical model potentials (OMP) are widely used in nuclear reaction network calculations aiming at the study of the gamma-process [1] and the weak r-process [2]. Considerable theoretical and experimental effort has been devoted in recent years to improve the knowledge of the OMP's in order to give correct predictions for the cross sections and reaction rates [3,4] (and references therein).

Recently, (a,n) cross section measurements on  $^{92,94,100}\text{Mo}$  are in progress at ATOMKI using the activation technique. The resulted cross sections have been used to test the predictions of global optical potential parameterizations used in modelling the gamma-process and the weak r-process. The experimental details and preliminary results will be presented.

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