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¹¹³Sn-^{113m}In generator with a glass beads column

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The parent nuclide ¹¹³Sn decays with a half-life of 115.1 days to produce the daughter nuclide ¹¹³mIn. ¹¹³mIn is a low energy -ray emitter with a half-life of 1.16 hours and can be employed in biological, chemical and physical studies. The advantage of this generator system is that ¹¹³mIn can be eluted for a long time at sites remote from a reactor or cyclotron facility as ¹¹³Sn has a relatively long half-life of 115.1 days.

The present work was undertaken to study the possibility of preparing ¹¹³Sn^{-113m}In generator with glass beads as adsorbent. The adsorption characteristics of ¹¹³Sn() and ^{113m}In() on glass beads from NaCl solutions were studied. On the basis of these studies, ¹¹³Sn^{-113m}In generator was prepared by adsorbing ¹¹³Sn on the glass beads column. ^{113m}In was eluted by the 0.16M NaCl solution with pH 3.0, remaining ¹¹³Sn adsorbed on the glass beads.