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**INFORMATION RETRIEVAL: THE ROLE OF  
CONTROLLED VOCABULARIES**

April 22, 1993  
10:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Crystal City Gateway 4  
Conference Room

**Attendees**

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## **Welcome**

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## **Retrieval: Free Text, Full Text, and Controlled Vocabularies**

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## **Thesaurus Standards and Practicalities**

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## **Panel Discussion of Federal Thesauri**

Moderator: John Wilson, NASA STI Program

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Second Meeting	International Acquisition	July 23, 1990
Third Meeting	STI Strategic Plan	November 29, 1990
Fourth Meeting	NACA Documents Database Project	February 7, 1991
Fifth Meeting	Quality	July 1, 1991
Sixth Meeting	Who Are Our Key Users?	October 25, 1991
Seventh Meeting	Acquisitions	January 23, 1992
Eighth Meeting	Using the Internet	June 5, 1992
Ninth Meeting	Total Quality Management	October 28, 1992
Tenth Meeting	Information Retrieval: The Role of Controlled Vocabularies	April 22, 1993

## Document Preparation

The following summary was prepared from the audio tape of the session by the staff at the NASA Center for AeroSpace Information (CASI) and reviewed by the speakers. The summary is intended to give the substance of the presentations and does not attempt to report on either the panel discussion or the comments from the audience.

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### Introductions

Jim Erwin established one of the goals of today's conference as determining the ongoing role of controlled vocabulary in information retrieval. He anticipated that the meeting would help to clearly delineate where we were in the area of information retrieval and allow us to determine how we measure up against the state of the art.

Dr. Hill noted that one of the purposes of the conference was to establish a dialog among the participants on the complex topic of controlled vocabularies and their place as retrieval tools in a free text environment.

### Retrieval; Free Text, Full Text, and Controlled Vocabularies. Dr. Raya Fidel

To illustrate the difficulties that can result from a lack of a controlled vocabulary, Dr. Fidel discussed a search for the subject of exposures to substances or conditions that are a risk to health by using the phrase "exposure assessment methodology" (see viewgraphs 1 and 2). The aim of the search was to find information about measurement techniques. The difficulty is that each word in the phrase is so common that, if you ran a search using the words only, you would get a great many citations on a variety of subjects (see viewgraph 3). The ambiguity inherent in the individual words is matched by the ambiguity of the phrase itself. In order to insure broad recall of relevant records, the searcher needs to generate a set of synonyms for each concept. Synonyms include the words that people actually use in practice when they talk about a particular concept. Thus, an effective list of synonyms will include words sharing the same meaning as well as associated terms generated by the searcher out of her knowledge of real-life linguistic behavior.

### Terms and concepts

This example of searching for the subject "exposure assessment methodology" illustrates the differences between free text (or even full text)

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searching and the use of controlled vocabularies (thesaurus terms). The searcher needed to find records that were relevant to the topic. In a free text environment without benefit of a controlled vocabulary, all that she had to search with were natural language terms from the documents or records. She did not have the benefit of controlled vocabulary where terminology for concepts had been standardized. She could not search with concepts. So, she made up the appropriate concepts for that particular search and tried to generate terms that matched those concepts to get at the information that she wanted. This approximates what is done when indexing with a controlled vocabulary. The indexer identifies concepts based on a reading of the material and then chooses the appropriate words (descriptors) from the controlled vocabulary (the thesaurus) to represent those concepts (see viewgraph 4).

### **Need for controlled vocabularies**

Why should we create these controlled vocabularies beforehand and use them in indexing? One of the great values of controlled vocabularies is that they make implicit concepts explicit through hierarchical relationships between terms. These relationships between broad terms and narrow terms cannot be derived from an analysis of free text. They must be intellectual constructs. We have terminological control and content analysis through indexing. We need a controlled vocabulary if we want to retrieve concepts that can be represented in various ways, or inferred, in free text.

### **Cost versus effectiveness**

Are controlled vocabularies cost-effective? Free text advocates argue that they are not cost-effective. Some studies found that free text and controlled vocabulary searching have the same results. Other studies have found that one or the other of the

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methods were more effective. Most of the studies were flawed; the question has not been answered.

**Retrieval effectiveness:  
Review of retrieval  
studies**

A renewed interest in retrieval techniques and the differences among them resurfaced with the advent of full text searching. There were conflicting results from studies comparing full text searches with controlled vocabulary searches. A study (Tenopir, 1985) using the Harvard Business Review Online database, reported on a controlled experiment in which 31 requests were searched in four different formats: only the text, only the title, only the abstract, and only the descriptors. Results indicated that full text searches retrieved more than the other methods, yielding high recall, but with low precision. The controlled vocabulary performed better than free text if one didn't look at the full text, but only at the titles and abstracts. The conclusion of the study was that a combination of controlled vocabulary with a full text search technique gives the best results, since the controlled vocabulary compensates for the imprecision of the full text search.

**Recall capability**

In a study (McKinin et al., 1990), 100 questions generated by people that came into the library asking for literature searches were searched using two full text databases. Although the searches resulted in high recall, it was found that using the controlled vocabulary found some articles that were missed by the full text searches. Why were they missed? In 25% of the cases, it was because the concepts were not explicit in the text. In 33% of the cases, failure to capture a document was because the searchers did not use enough synonyms. Thus, in 58% of the cases, the failures could have been avoided by the use of a controlled vocabulary.

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### **Precision and recall**

An earlier study (Blair & Maron, 1985) found that when you have a very large full text database, you get very poor retrieval using free text searching. In this study, using a 40,000 document database and 360,000 pages of text, legal paraprofessionals with search experience searched 51 questions. Results indicated high precision (79%), but low recall (20%), a counter-intuitive result. Low recall resulted, in part, from the drawbacks that are inherent in full text searching without a controlled vocabulary: the concepts that were being searched had different terms attached to them. Accidents, for example, were variously referred to as events, incidents, situations, problems, difficulties, etc.

### **When to use free text and/or controlled vocabularies**

In the last study cited (Fidel, 1992), 47 searchers were observed as they performed their searches. They were asked to think aloud, reflecting on their reasons for making various decisions. Dr. Fidel also interviewed each searcher. It was found that the decision whether to use a free text search term or a controlled vocabulary search term depended on the specific situation. If the term was a common one, it was best to use descriptors. If the term was well-defined and recall was not important (the client simply wanted to get some articles), then free text was used.

### **Conclusion**

The overall conclusion drawn from a review of these studies was that full text searching can by no means replace the use of a controlled vocabulary. The ideal search environment is one in which a controlled vocabulary complemented a free text search capability.

### **Thesaurus Standards and Practicalities Dr. Bella Hass Weinberg**

Dr. Weinberg analyzed the various structures of thesauri and their display in print and online, early making the point that there was not one standard or

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correct structure for thesauri. Chosen for comparison were four thesauri produced by government agencies that participated in the following panel discussion: the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the National Library of Medicine (NLM), the Department of Defense (DoD), and the Department of Energy (DOE). The structures of the thesauri are varied and complex, a situation that contributes to a lack of utilization. Using viewgraphs to illustrate the hierarchical arrangement of terms, the thesauri were presented in order of increasing complexity of structure: the Defense Technical Information Center Thesaurus (see viewgraphs 5-9), the Department of Energy's International Energy Subject Thesaurus (see viewgraphs 10-13), the NASA Thesaurus (see viewgraphs 14-23), and the National Library of Medicine's Medical Subject Headings (MeSH) (see viewgraphs 24-31). Comparisons and contrasts were made among such thesaurus features as the structure of broader and narrower terms, the presence or absence of related terms, and levels of hierarchy.

### **Analysis of four thesauri**

Specifically, Dr. Weinberg analyzed in some detail the following aspects of the four thesauri (see viewgraph 32) : the primary alphabetic sequence, the dictionary, the concordance of all words, and the classified display. Again, the overriding point was how confusing thesauri can be to users.

### **Alphabetic sequence**

In the DOE thesaurus, the primary alphabetic sequence is called Subject Thesaurus; in DTIC it is called Posting Terms; in MeSH, Annotated Alphabetic List; and in the NASA Thesaurus, Hierarchical Listing.

### **Dictionary**

Dictionary functions are also variously accomplished. In the DOE thesaurus, some definitions are within the alphabetic sequence, with a tag. In

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DTIC, there are some definitions, without a tag. MeSH includes some lexical information within scope notes. NASA carries the definitions in a separate volume.

### **Concordance**

DOE has no concordance. DTIC calls its concordance Key Words Out of Context, and places it in Section 3. MeSH calls it Permuted Medical Subject Headings, while NASA calls it Access Vocabulary.

### **Classified display**

DOE has no classified display. DTIC has a separate hierarchical listing. MeSH has a separate hierarchical display, one that consists of tree structures with no redundancy to the alphabetic display. NASA's thesaurus does not have a separate printed panorama of the classification of all its descriptors. However, it provides complete broader- and narrower-term relationships for each term within the alphabetical sequence, called the Hierarchical Listing.

### **Semantic relationships**

Next, Dr. Weinberg discussed thesaurus notation for semantic relationships (see viewgraph 33). In abstract terms there are three categories of semantic relationships: equivalence, hierarchy, and association.

### **Online thesaurus display**

In her discussion of online thesaurus display, Dr. Weinberg noted that, compared with print displays, online displays in the major vendor systems are poorer, offering less information to the user (see viewgraphs 34-45). For example, scope notes are truncated. The definition information is not yet available in the major online systems. She found that some people who are mounting thesauri at DIALOG do not understand thesaurus codes. Used and Used For are both truncated to U and used in both directions in certain databases (see viewgraph 39).

### **Conclusion**

In conclusion, Dr. Weinberg noted the great variations in thesauri structures. She argued that

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greater uniformity would simplify consultation of thesauri. (She is not, however, advocating uniformity in vocabularies.) She also called for a common command language for information retrieval that would enhance end user employment of the controlled vocabulary that we put so much effort into building.

### Panel discussion

In the lively panel discussion on developing federal thesauri, a number of important issues were covered: the uses of retrospective indexing, the question of whether the addition of more postings to controlled vocabularies constitutes an advantage or a disadvantage to searchers, the impact of machine-aided indexing, and efforts aimed at standardizing terminology. What the panelists agreed upon was the need for on-going consultations among the panel participants on standardizing their respective vocabularies whenever possible.

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# Viewgraphs

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**Dr. Raya Fidel**

# **Exposure Assessment Methodology**

## **Exposure AND Assessment AND Methodology**

**Raya Fidel**



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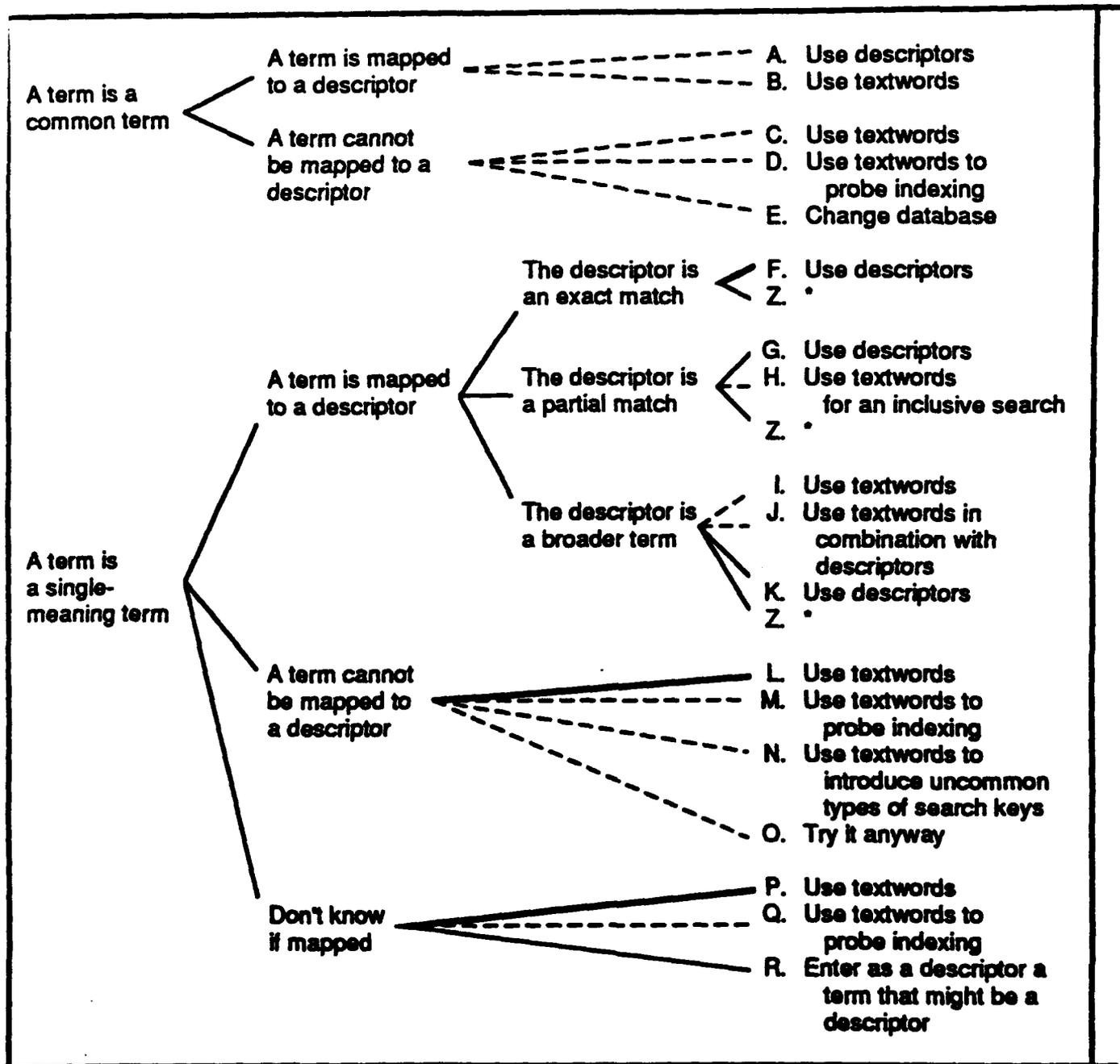
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- **A term has many meanings**
- **A term is ambiguous**
- **A term is vague**
- **A term occurs too frequently in the database's text**

**Raya Fidel**



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# Viewgraphs

## **Thesaurus Standards and Practicalities**

*Dr Bella Hass Weinberg*

Viewgraphs 5 through 31 are pages from the DoD, DOE, NASA, and NLM thesauri.

Viewgraphs 32 and 33 are charts comparing the structures of the four thesauri.

Viewgraphs 32 through 45 are illustrations of DIALOG'S online thesaurus.

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## POSTING TERM ENTRY EXPLANATION

- a. ARMY
- b. (Scope note if necessary)
- c. UF Army department
- d. UFC Army medicine
- e. BT \*MILITARY FORCES (UNITED STATES)
- f. NT FIELD ARMY
- g. Army department  
use ARMY

Army medicine  
use ARMY  
and MILITARY MEDICINE

- a. Posting Term - A main entry appearing in boldface type which represents a significant class of concepts used for indexing and retrieval.
- b. Scope Note - Exists when necessary to further define or limit the meaning or usage of a posting term.  
NOTE: A date immediately preceding a scope note denotes the year and month the term was established as an authorized DTIC posting term.
- c. Used For (UF) - The posting term at the main entry is to be used for any term following this notation. Reciprocates with use reference.
- d. Used For Combination (UFC) - The posting term at the main entry together with one or more other posting terms are to be used for any term following this notation. Reciprocates with multiple use reference.
- e. Broader Term (BT) - Posting terms following this notation represent a broader class which includes the main entry posting term.  
NOTE: An (\*) symbol in front of a BT indicates the existence of broader generic levels of terms.
- f. Narrower Term (NT) - Posting terms following this notation are within the class of concepts represented by the main entry posting term.  
NOTE: An (\*) symbol in front of a NT indicates the existence of narrower generic levels of terms.
- g. Use Reference - Refers the user to one or more preferred main entry posting terms. Always reciprocates with UF and UFC references.

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING</b> BT ENGINEERING	KETOACID LYASES LUCIFERASE *LYASES MUCOLYTIC ENZYMES NUCLEASE *OXIDOREDUCTASES PEPSINS SACCHARIDASES *TRANSFERASES	NT GRAPHITE EPOXY COMPOSITES
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT</b> (81/09) - Predetermination of the extent of pollution or environmental degradation.		<b>EPOXY COMPOUNDS</b> BT *OXYGEN HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS NT OXETANES
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS</b>		<b>EPOXY LAMINATES</b> BT *LAMINATES
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT</b> BT MANAGEMENT	<b>EOSINOPHILS</b> BT *LEUKOCYTES	<b>EPOXY RESINS</b> BT *THERMOSETTING PLASTICS
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</b> BT PROTECTION	<b>EPHEMERIDES</b> UF EPHEMERIS	<b>EQUALIZATION</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PSYCHOLOGISTS</b> BT PERSONNEL	<b>EPHEMERIS</b> use EPHEMERIDES	<b>EQUATIONS</b> UF SECULAR EQUATIONS BT MATHEMATICS NT BOLTZMANN EQUATION *DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS *EQUATIONS OF MOTION EQUATIONS OF STATE HUGONIOT EQUATIONS *INTEGRAL EQUATIONS LANCHESTER EQUATIONS LIOUVILLE EQUATION MAXWELLS EQUATIONS SIMULTANEDUS EQUATIONS
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL TESTS</b> BT *TEST METHODS NT COLD WEATHER TESTS DESERT TESTS LIQUID IMMERSION TESTS SALT SPRAY TESTS SEA TESTING TROPICAL TESTS	<b>EPICENTERS</b> BT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS	<b>EQUATIONS OF MOTION</b> UF MOTION EQUATIONS BT *EQUATIONS NT NAVIER STOKES EQUATIONS
<b>ENVIRONMENTS</b> NT *AEROSPACE ENVIRONMENTS CONFINED ENVIRONMENTS ELECTROMAGNETIC ENVIRONMENTS INDUCED ENVIRONMENTS LUNAR ENVIRONMENTS *OCEAN ENVIRONMENTS	<b>EPIDEMIOLOGY</b> BT *MEDICINE	<b>EQUATIONS OF STATE</b> UF STATE EQUATIONS BT *EQUATIONS
<b>ENZOOTIC</b> (83/05) - A disease affecting animals in limited geographic regions. BT DISEASES	<b>EPIDERMIS</b> (83/05) - The superficial portion of the skin, composed of a horny layer (stratum corneum) and a living, cellular part in layers named from outside inward: The stratum lucidum (when present), the stratum granulosum, the stratum spinosum, and the stratum germinativum. Skin is composed of dermis and epidermis. BT *SKIN(ANATOMY)	<b>EQUATORIAL ORBITS</b> BT *ORBITS
<b>ENZYME ANTAGONISTS</b> use ANTIMETABOLITES	<b>EPILEPSY</b> BT *CONVULSIVE DISORDERS	<b>EQUATORIAL REGIONS</b> BT *TROPICAL REGIONS
<b>ENZYME CHEMISTRY</b> BT *BIOCHEMISTRY	<b>EPIMERASES</b> use RACEMASES AND EPIMERASES	<b>EQUILIBRATORS</b> use STABILIZATION SYSTEMS
<b>ENZYME INHIBITORS</b> BT INHIBITORS NT *CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITORS SERINE	<b>EPINEPHRINE</b> BT *CATECHOLAMINES NT NOREPINEPHRINE	<b>EQUILIBRIUM(GENERAL)</b> NT EQUILIBRIUM(PHYSIOLOGY)
<b>ENZYME PRECURSORS</b> UF CHYMOSINOGEN PEPSINOGEN PLASMINOGEN PREENZYMES PROENZYMES PROFIBRINOLYSIN PRORENNIN TRYPSINOGEN NT *ENZYMES PROTHROMBIN	<b>EPITAXIAL GROWTH</b> BT *CRYSTAL GROWTH	<b>EQUILIBRIUM(PHYSIOLOGY)</b> BT EQUILIBRIUM(GENERAL) PHYSIOLOGY
<b>ENZYMES</b> BT ENZYME PRECURSORS NT ADENYL CYCLASE *COENZYMES COLLAGENASE *DEHYDROGENASES DEXTRANSUCRASE GLUCANASES *HYDROLASES *ISOMERASES *ISOZYMES	<b>EPITHELIUM</b> BT TISSUES(BIOLOGY)	<b>EQUINE ENCEPHALOMYELITIS VIRUS</b> UF BORNA DISEASE BT *GROUP A ARBOVIRUSES NT EASTERN EQUINE ENCEPHALOMYELITIS VIRUS VENEZUELAN EQUINE ENCEPHALOMYELITIS VIRUS WESTERN EQUINE ENCEPHALOMYELITIS VIRUS
	<b>EPIZOOTIC</b> (83/05) - Affecting many animals of one kind in one region simultaneously; widely diffused and rapidly spreading. BT DISEASES	<b>EQUINES</b> UF BURROS DONKEYS BT *MAMMALS NT HORSES
	<b>EPOXIDATION</b> BT *OXIDATION	<b>EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS</b> BT *CIRCUITS
	<b>EPOXY COATINGS</b> BT COATINGS	<b>ERASURE</b>
	<b>EPOXY COMPOSITES</b> (81/09) - Composite materials or structures in which the binding material is epoxy compound, reinforced with various kinds of fibers, cast, layed-up or molded in various shapes. BT *COMPOSITE MATERIALS	<b>ERBIUM</b> BT *RARE EARTH ELEMENTS

- (3)TURBOJET INLET SCREENS
- (2)ENGINE CYLINDERS
- (2)ENGINE FUEL SYSTEMS COMPONENTS
- (3)CARBURETORS
- (4)AIRCRAFT CARBURETORS
- (2)ENGINE MUFFLERS
- (2)ENGINE STARTERS
- (2)FLYWHEELS
- (2)IGNITION CIRCUITS
- (2)PISTON RINGS
- (2)PISTONS
- (1)GAS GENERATOR ENGINES
- (1)GAS TURBINES
- (1)HEAT ENGINES
- (2)EXTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES
- (3)STEAM ENGINES
- (1)INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES
- (2)COMPOUND ENGINES
- (2)COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINES
- (3)DIESEL ENGINES
- (2)ROTARY COMBUSTION ENGINES
- (2)SPARK IGNITION ENGINES
- (1)JET ENGINES
- (2)HYDROJET ENGINES
- (3)HYDRODUCT ENGINES
- (3)HYDROPULSE ENGINES
- (3)HYDROTURBOJET ENGINES
- (2)PULSEJET ENGINES
- (3)HYDROPULSE ENGINES
- (2)RAMJET ENGINES
- (3)HYDRODUCT ENGINES
- (3)RECOMBINATION RAMJET ENGINES
- (3)ROCKET RAMJETS
- (4)INTEGRAL ROCKET RAMJETS
- (3)SUPERCHARGED EJECTOR RAMJET ENGINES
- (3)SUPERSONIC COMBUSTION RAMJET ENGINES
- (3)TURBORAMJET ENGINES
- (3)WING RAMJET ENGINES
- (2)TURBOJET ENGINES
- (3)HYDROTURBOJET ENGINES
- (3)TURBOFAN ENGINES
- (4)HIGH BYPASS TURBOFANS
- (4)LOW BYPASS TURBOFANS
- (4)VARIABLE BYPASS TURBOFANS
- (3)TURBOPROP ENGINES
- (3)TURBORAMJET ENGINES
- (3)TURBOSHAFT ENGINES
- (3)VARIABLE CYCLE ENGINES
- (1)MARINE ENGINES
- (2)SUBMARINE ENGINES
- (1)MULTIFUEL ENGINES
- (1)MULTIPULSE ENGINES
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- (2)DUCTED ROCKETS
- (2)ENGINE CLUSTERS
- (2)FOURTH STAGE ENGINES
- (2)HYBRID ROCKET ENGINES
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- (3)CRYOGENIC ENGINES
- (2)MOVABLE ROCKET ENGINES
- (2)NOZZLELESS ROCKET ENGINES
- (2)PLASMA ENGINES
- (2)RESISTORJET ENGINES
- (2)RETRO ROCKETS
- (2)ROCKET RAMJETS
- (3)INTEGRAL ROCKET RAMJETS
- (2)SECOND STAGE ENGINES

- (2)SOLAR ROCKETS
- (2)SOLID PROPELLANT ROCKET ENGINES
- (3)DUAL THRUST ROCKET ENGINES
- (3)JATOS
- (3)SEGMENTED ROCKET ENGINES
- (2)SUSTAINER ENGINES
- (2)THIRD STAGE ENGINES
- (2)THIXOTROPIC PROPELLANT ROCKET ENGINES
- (2)THRUSTERS
- (2)VERNIER ROCKET ENGINES
- (1)TANK ENGINES
- (1)TRACTOR ENGINES
- (1)VARIABLE CYCLE ENGINES

ENGRAVING

- (1)PHOTOENGRAVING

ENRICHMENT

- (1)REACTOR FUEL ENRICHMENT

ENTRAINMENT

- (1)AIR ENTRAINMENT

ENVIRONMENTS

- (1)AEROSPACE ENVIRONMENTS
- (2)SPACE ENVIRONMENTS
- (3)DEEP SPACE
- (3)INTERPLANETARY SPACE
- (3)INTERSTELLAR SPACE
- (3)OUTER SPACE
- (1)CONFINED ENVIRONMENTS
- (1)ELECTROMAGNETIC ENVIRONMENTS
- (1)INDUCED ENVIRONMENTS
- (1)LUNAR ENVIRONMENTS
- (1)OCEAN ENVIRONMENTS
- (2)BATHYAL ZONES
- (2)BENTHONIC ZONES
- (3)ABYSSAL ZONES
- (3)LITTORAL ZONES
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- (3)PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE
- (2)DEXTRANSUCRASE
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- (3)AMIDE HYDROLASES
- (4)GLUTAMINASE
- (4)PENICILLINASE
- (4)UREASE
- (3)ESTERASES
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- (5)CHOLINESTERASE
- (8)ACETYLCHOLINESTERASE
- (4)PHOSPHORIC MONOESTER HYDROLASES
- (5)PHOSPHATASES
- (8)ACID PHOSPHATASE
- (3)GLYCOSIDE HYDROLASES
- (4)CELLULASE
- (4)GLYCOSIDASES
- (4)MURAMIDASE
- (3)PENICILLIN ACYLASE
- (3)PEPTIDE HYDROLASES
- (4)CHYMOTRYPSIN
- (4)CLOSTRIDIOPeptIDASE A
- (4)PAPAIN
- (4)PLASMIN
- (4)RENIN

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 AIR FORCE EQUIPMENT  
 AIR POLLUTION CONTROL  
 EQUIPMENT  
 AIR TRANSPORTABLE EQUIPMENT  
 AIRCRAFT EQUIPMENT  
 ARMY EQUIPMENT  
 BALLOON EQUIPMENT  
 BOMB AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT  
 BOOMS(EQUIPMENT)  
 BRUSHLESS ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT  
 CANADIAN EQUIPMENT  
 CHECKOUT EQUIPMENT  
 CHLORINATION EQUIPMENT  
 COAST GUARD EQUIPMENT  
 COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT  
 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT  
 CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT  
 COOLING AND VENTILATING  
 EQUIPMENT

DAIRY EQUIPMENT  
 DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT  
 DECK SAFETY EQUIPMENT  
 DECONTAMINATION EQUIPMENT  
 DENTAL EQUIPMENT  
 DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT  
 DISPOSABLE EQUIPMENT  
 DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT  
 DIVER EQUIPMENT  
 DRYDOCK EQUIPMENT  
 EARTH HANDLING EQUIPMENT  
 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT  
 ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT  
 ELECTRONIC PHOTOFLASH  
 EQUIPMENT  
 FACSIMILE EQUIPMENT  
 FIELD EQUIPMENT  
 GOVERNMENT FURNISHED EQUIPMENT  
 GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT  
 HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT  
 INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT  
 INFRARED EQUIPMENT  
 JETTISONABLE EQUIPMENT  
 KITCHEN EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES  
 LABORATORY EQUIPMENT  
 LIGHTING EQUIPMENT  
 LINE THROWING EQUIPMENT  
 LONG PATH INFRARED EQUIPMENT  
 MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT  
 MANPORTABLE EQUIPMENT  
 MARINE CORPS EQUIPMENT  
 MARINE SAFETY EQUIPMENT  
 MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT  
 MEDICAL EQUIPMENT  
 MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT  
 MILITARY EQUIPMENT  
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 RUBBERIZED EQUIPMENT  
 RUSSIAN EQUIPMENT  
 SAFETY EQUIPMENT  
 SEA RESCUE EQUIPMENT  
 SEMI-PORTABLE EQUIPMENT  
 SHIP AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT  
 SONAR EQUIPMENT  
 STANDBY EQUIPMENT  
 SUBMARINE EQUIPMENT  
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 EQUIPMENT

  
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# **INTERNATIONAL ENERGY**

## **Subject Thesaurus**

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# **1990**

Descriptor → DISTRICT HEATING [01] ← Indicates valid INIS descriptor  
 DA January 1975 ← Date entered into thesaurus  
 Broader Term → BT1 Heating  
 Narrower Term → NT1 Geothermal District Heating  
 RT Central Heating Plants  
 RT Co-Generation  
 RT DEUS  
 Related Term → RT Dual-Purpose Power Plants  
 RT Geothermal Heating Systems  
 RT Heat Distribution Systems  
 RT Hot Water  
 RT Thermal Transmission ICES

DISTRIBUTION [01]  
 (For energy distribution use ENERGY SPECTRA.) ← Scope Note  
 USED FOR indicating multiple USE references → UF+ *Inclusive Distribution*  
 NT1 Angular Distribution  
 NT1 Spatial Distribution  
 NT1 Tissue Distribution  
 RT Allocations  
 RT Asymmetry  
 RT Boltzmann Statistics  
 RT Gauss Function  
 RT Gaussian Processes  
 RT Isotropy  
 RT Particle Kinematics  
 RT Symmetry

Forbidden Term with multiple USE references → *Inclusive Distribution*  
 USE Distribution (Note italics)  
 AND Inclusive Interactions

HELIOS FACILITY  
 DA July 1979  
 RT Carbon Dioxide Lasers  
 RT Laser Fusion Reactors  
 Definition → DEF A 10 kJ, 8-beam, CO<sub>2</sub> laser facility at Los Alamos for laser fusion experiments

See NT1 descriptor for narrower terms → ACTINIDE COMPOUNDS[01]  
 \*NT1 Actinium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Americium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Berkelium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Californium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Curium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Einsteinium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Fermium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Lawrencium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Mendeleevium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Neptunium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Nobelium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Plutonium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Protactinium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Thorium Compounds  
 \*NT1 Uranium Compounds

# Subject Thesaurus

- A-1 Reactor (Bohunice)**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Bohunice A-1 Reactor
- A-1 Reactor (Calder Hall)**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Calder Hall A-1 Reactor
- A-2 Reactor (Bohunice)**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Bohunice A-2 Reactor
- A-2 Reactor (Calder Hall)**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Calder Hall A-2 Reactor
- **A0-980 MESONS [01]**  
 (Prior to January 1988 this concept was indexed by Delta-966 Resonances.)  
 DA January 25, 1988  
 UF *Delta-966 Resonances*  
 BT1 Scalar Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- A1-1070 Resonances**  
 (Prior to January 1988 this was a valid descriptor.)  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE A1-1270 Mesons
- **A1-1270 MESONS [01]**  
 (Prior to January 1988 this concept was indexed by A1-1070 RESONANCES.)  
 DA January 29, 1988  
 UF *A1-1070 Resonances*  
 BT1 Axial Vector Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- A-15 Compounds**  
 DA May 2, 1979  
 USE Beta-W Lattices
- A2-1310 Resonances**  
 (Prior to January 1988 this was a valid descriptor.)  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE A2-1320 Mesons
- **A2-1320 MESONS [01]**  
 (Prior to January 1988 this concept was indexed by A2-1310 RESONANCES.)  
 DA January 29, 1988  
 UF *A2-1310 Resonances*  
 BT1 Tensor Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- A24-1320 Resonances**  
 (Prior to March 1988 this was a valid descriptor.)  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Mesons
- A2L-1280 Resonances**  
 (Prior to March 1988 this was a valid descriptor.)
- DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Mesons
- **A3-2050 MESONS [01]**  
 DA February 1, 1988  
 BT1 Tensor Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- A3 Resonances**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE P12-1680 Mesons
- A4-1960 Resonances**  
 (Prior to February 1988 this was a valid descriptor.)  
 DA March 28, 1975  
 USE A4-2040 Mesons
- **A4-2040 MESONS [01]**  
 (Prior to February 1988 this concept was indexed by A4-1960 RESONANCES.)  
 DA February 1, 1988  
 UF *A4-1960 Resonances*  
 BT1 Tensor Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- **A6-2450 MESONS [01]**  
 DA February 1, 1988  
 BT1 Tensor Mesons  
 BT2 Mesons  
 BT3 Bosons  
 BT3 Hadrons  
 BT4 Elementary Particles
- A 285 Steel**  
 DA December 20, 1978  
 USE Steel-ASTM-A285
- A-BOMB SURVIVORS [01]**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 BT1 Human Populations  
 BT2 Populations  
 RT Delayed Radiation Effects  
 RT Epidemiology  
 RT Hiroshima  
 RT Little Boy  
 RT Nagasaki
- A CENTERS [01]**  
 DA February 6, 1975  
 BT1 Color Centers  
 BT2 Vacancies  
 BT3 Point Defects  
 BT4 Crystal Defects  
 BT5 Crystal Structure
- A CODES [01]**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 BT1 Computer Codes
- A Resonances**  
 (Prior to March 1988 this was a valid descriptor. For A3 resonances use P12-1680 MESONS.)  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 USE Mesons
- AASO CYCLOTRON [01]**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 UF *Turku Cyclotron*
- BT1 Isochronous Cyclotrons  
 BT2 Cyclotrons  
 BT3 Cyclic Accelerators  
 BT4 Accelerators
- AAEC [01]**  
 (Australian Atomic Energy Commission, abolished on 27 April 1987 and replaced by ANSTO.)  
 DA April 28, 1978  
 UF *Australian Atomic Energy Commission*  
 BT1 Australian Organizations  
 BT2 National Organizations  
 RT ANSTO
- AAF**  
 DA September 23, 1985  
 USE Acetylaminofluorenes
- AAPS**  
 DA May 2, 1979  
 UF *Advanced Automotive Propulsion Systems*  
 RT Automotive Industry  
 RT Electric-Powered Vehicles  
 RT Gas Turbine Engines  
 RT Internal Combustion Engines  
 RT Stirling Engines
- AARR REACTOR [01]**  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 UF *Argonne Tank Research and Test Reactor-AARR*  
 BT1 Research Reactors  
 BT2 Research and Test Reactors  
 BT3 Reactors  
 BT1 Tank Type Reactors  
 BT2 Reactors  
 BT1 Water Cooled Reactors  
 BT2 Reactors  
 BT1 Water Moderated Reactors  
 BT2 Reactors
- ABANDONED SHAFTS**  
 DA December 22, 1977  
 UF *Disused Mineshafts*  
 BT1 Mine Shafts  
 BT2 Shaft Excavations  
 RT Coal Mines  
 RT Mines
- ABANDONED SITES [01]**  
 DA October 23, 1978  
 RT Land Reclamation
- ABANDONED WELLS**  
 DA August 24, 1977  
 BT1 Wells  
 RT Natural Gas Wells  
 RT Oil Wells  
 DEF An oil or gas well abandoned because its yield has fallen below that necessary for profitable production.
- Abeshian-Booth-Crowe Effect**  
 DA November 8, 1977  
 USE ABC Effect
- ABC EFFECT [01]**  
 DA November 10, 1977  
 UF *Abeshian-Booth-Crowe Effect*  
 RT Interactions  
 RT Missing-Mass Spectra  
 RT Pions

RT Aquatic Organisms  
 RT Babcock and Wilcox-DuPont  
 Process  
 RT CE Entrained Fuel Process  
 RT Combined-Cycle FW Process  
 RT Dow Gasification Process  
 RT Extraction Apparatuses  
 RT Impingement  
 RT Solvent Extraction

*Entrainment Separators*  
 DA March 8, 1977  
 USE Mist Extractors

#### ENTROPY [01]

DA December 1, 1974  
 BT1 Thermodynamic Properties  
 BT2 Physical Properties  
 RT Energy Quality  
 RT Entropy  
 RT H Theorem  
 RT Isentropic Processes  
 RT Thermodynamics

#### ENTRY CONTROL SYSTEMS [01]

DA July 8, 1982  
 UF Access Denial Systems  
 BT1 Control Systems  
 RT Physical Protection  
 RT Security  
 DEF Systems for controlling access  
 to general and critical areas of  
 a nuclear facility.

*Envelope Houses*  
 DA June 13, 1981  
 USE Double Envelope Buildings

#### ENVIRONMENT [01]

DA December 1, 1974  
 NT1 Biosphere  
 RT Accidents  
 RT Clean Air Act  
 RT Contamination  
 RT Controlled Atmospheres  
 RT Earth Atmosphere  
 RT Ecosystems  
 RT Environmental Effects  
 RT Environmental Exposure  
 Pathway  
 RT Environmental Impact  
 Statements  
 RT Environmental Impacts  
 RT Environmental Policy  
 RT Environmental Transport  
 RT Fallout Deposits  
 RT Habitat  
 RT Hydrosphere  
 RT National Environmental Policy  
 Act  
 RT Nature Reserves  
 RT Pollution  
 RT Prevention of Significant  
 Deterioration  
 RT Preventive Medicine  
 RT Radiation Protection  
 RT Radionuclide Migration  
 RT Reactor Sites  
 RT Regional Analysis  
 RT Site Selection  
 RT Thermal Comfort  
 RT Wilderness Protection Acts

*Environmental Concentration*  
 DA June 14, 1984  
 USE Ecological Concentration

#### ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

(This descriptor is to be used only  
 when the actual effects on the  
 environment are discussed.)

DA April 8, 1975  
 RT Environment  
 RT Environmental Impact  
 Statements  
 RT Environmental Impacts  
 RT Environmental Policy  
 RT Land Pollution  
 RT Thermal Pollution  
 RT Water Pollution

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

[01]  
 DA December 1, 1974  
 BT1 Engineering  
 RT Aesthetics  
 RT Air Conditioning  
 RT Pollution Control Equipment

#### ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE

DA September 21, 1984  
 RT Air Pollution  
 RT Carcinogens  
 RT Ionizing Radiations  
 RT Land Pollution  
 RT Man  
 RT Mutagens  
 RT Water Pollution

#### *Environmental Exposure Chambers*

DA October 20, 1977  
 USE Exposure Chambers

#### ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE PATHWAY [01]

DA October 1, 1975  
 RT Biointrusion  
 RT Biological Availability  
 RT Biological Models  
 RT Ecosystems  
 RT Environment  
 RT Food Chains  
 RT Intrusion

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS [01]

DA January 30, 1975  
 BT1 Document Types  
 RT Environment  
 RT Environmental Effects  
 RT Environmental Impacts  
 RT National Environmental Policy  
 Act

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS [01]

(This descriptor is to be used to  
 describe the possible effects on the  
 environment from a proposed  
 project.)

DA January 31, 1977  
 RT Aesthetics  
 RT Environment  
 RT Environmental Effects  
 RT Environmental Impact  
 Statements  
 RT Environmental Policy  
 RT Environmental Quality  
 RT Nuclear Wreath  
 RT SEEDIS

#### ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS [01]

(Use only for unspecified samples  
 from the environment. See also  
 specific environmental materials.)

DA January 23, 1978  
 UF Materials (Environmental)  
 BT1 Materials  
 RT Air  
 RT Atmospheric Precipitations  
 RT Biological Materials  
 RT Minerals  
 RT Monitoring  
 RT Ores  
 RT Rocks  
 RT Sediments  
 RT Soils  
 RT Water

#### ENVIRONMENTAL MEASUREMENTS

LABORATORY  
 DA July 20, 1984  
 UF EML  
 BT1 US DOE  
 BT2 US Organizations  
 BT3 National Organizations

*Environmental Parks*  
 DA August 8, 1978  
 USE Nature Reserves

#### ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY [01]

DA February 14, 1978  
 SF Policy

NT1 Water Policy  
 RT Clean Air Act  
 RT Economics  
 RT Environment  
 RT Environmental Effects  
 RT Environmental Impacts  
 RT Environmental Quality  
 RT National Environmental Policy  
 Act  
 RT Planning  
 RT Superfund

#### *Environmental Protection Agency*

DA December 1, 1974  
 USE US EPA

#### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

DA September 6, 1979  
 NT1 Air Quality  
 NT1 Water Quality  
 RT Environmental Impacts  
 RT Environmental Policy  
 RT Quality of Life

#### *Environmental Temperature*

DA March 22, 1976  
 USE Ambient Temperature

#### ENVIRONMENTAL TRANSPORT [01]

DA November 1, 1976  
 SF Heat Dissipation  
 SF Transport (Environmental)  
 BT1 Mass Transfer  
 NT1 Long-Range Transport  
 NT1 Radionuclide Migration  
 NT1 Runoff  
 RT Air-Biosphere Interactions  
 RT Air-Water Interactions  
 RT Carbon Sources  
 RT Downwelling  
 RT Ecological Concentration  
 RT Environment  
 RT Leachates  
 RT Radiocological Concentration  
 RT Sinks  
 RT Transfrontier Contamination

#### ENZYMATIC HYDROLYSIS

DA March 22, 1976  
 BT1 Hydrolysis  
 BT2 Lysis  
 BT2 Solvolysis  
 BT3 Decomposition  
 BT4 Chemical Reactions  
 RT Acid Hydrolysis  
 RT Alkaline Hydrolysis  
 RT Biodegradation  
 RT Cellulase  
 RT Cellulolytic Activity  
 RT Clostridium Thermocellum  
 RT Enzymes  
 RT Hydrolases  
 RT Pellicularis  
 RT Thermocactinomycose  
 RT Thielavia

#### ENZYME ACTIVITY [01]

DA August 8, 1978  
 NT1 Catalytic Activity  
 RT Biochemical Reaction Kinetics  
 RT Chemical Reaction Kinetics  
 RT Enzymes  
 RT Metabolic Activation  
 RT Metabolism  
 RT Structure-Activity Relationships

#### ENZYME IMMUNOASSAY [01]

DA February 22, 1985  
 BT1 Immunoassay  
 BT2 Bioassay  
 RT Antibodies  
 RT Antigen-Antibody Reactions  
 RT Antigens  
 RT CPE  
 RT Enzymes

#### ENZYME INDUCTION

DA November 18, 1985  
 BT1 Gene Regulation  
 RT Bioassays  
 RT Enzymes

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## TYPICAL HIERARCHICAL LISTING ENTRY

**POSTABLE TERM** → **FAR ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION**  
**SCOPE NOTE** → SN (200 TO 2000 ANGSTROMS)  
**USED FOR TERM** → UF VACUUM ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
**GENERIC STRUCTURE** → GS ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION  
 · ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 ·· FAR ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 ··· LYMAN ALPHA RADIATION  
 ··· LYMAN BETA RADIATION  
 IONIZING RADIATION  
 · ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 ·· FAR ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 ··· LYMAN ALPHA RADIATION  
 ··· LYMAN BETA RADIATION  
**RELATED TERMS** → RT · BREMSSTRAHLUNG  
 MAGELLAN ULTRAVIOLET ASTRONOMY  
 SATELLITE  
 NEAR ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 ≠ RADIATION  
 ULTRAVIOLET TELESCOPES  
 X RAYS

## TYPICAL USE CROSS REFERENCE ENTRY

**NONPOSTABLE TERM** → VACUUM ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
**POSTABLE TERM** → USE FAR ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION

## TYPICAL ARRAY TERM ENTRY

**ARRAY TERM** → ≠ CLUSTERS  
**SCOPE NOTE** → SN (USE OF A MORE SPECIFIC TERM IS  
 RECOMMENDED—CONSULT THE TERMS  
 LISTED BELOW)  
**RELATED TERM** → RT CLUMPS  
 GALACTIC CLUSTERS  
 GLOBULAR CLUSTERS  
 PLEIADES CLUSTER  
 PRAESEPE STAR CLUSTERS  
 STAR CLUSTERS  
 VIRGO GALACTIC CLUSTER

ENVIRONMENT SIMULATION

ENRICO FERRI ATOMIC POWER-(CONT.)

- NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS
- ENRICO FERRI ATOMIC POWER PLANT
- NUCLEAR ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION
- NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS
- ENRICO FERRI ATOMIC POWER PLANT
- RT BREEDER REACTORS
- FAST NUCLEAR REACTORS
- LIQUID METAL COOLED REACTORS
- POWER PLANTS

ENSKOG-CHAPMAN THEORY  
USE CHAPMAN-ENSKOG THEORY

- ENSTATITE
- GS CHALCOGENIDES
  - OXIDES
  - PYROXENES
  - ENSTATITE
  - MAGNESIUM COMPOUNDS
  - ENSTATITE
  - MINERALS
  - PYROXENES
  - ENSTATITE
  - SILICON COMPOUNDS
  - SILICATES
  - PYROXENES
  - ENSTATITE
  - RT CHONDRULE
  - IGNEOUS ROCKS
  - REGOLITH
  - ROCKS
  - SOILS

ENSTROPHY  
USE VORTICITY

- ENTERPRISE (ORBITER)
- UF SPACE SHUTTLE ORBITER 101
  - GS MANNED SPACECRAFT
  - SPACE SHUTTLE ORBITERS
  - ENTERPRISE (ORBITER)
  - REENTRY VEHICLES
  - RECOVERABLE SPACECRAFT
  - REUSABLE SPACECRAFT
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- GS ENTROPY (STATISTICS)
- MAXIMUM ENTROPY METHOD
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- SN (USE OF A MORE SPECIFIC TERM IS RECOMMENDED-CONSULT THE TERMS LISTED BELOW)
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- ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING
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- RADIOACTIVE WASTES
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# TYPICAL ACCESS VOCABULARY ENTRIES

Nonpostable term in natural language order.  
Postable term reference.

**Air Density Explorer A**  
USE EXPLORER 19 SATELLITE

Pseudoterms (permutations) derived from non-  
postable multiword term. Postable term ref-  
erence follows USE.

**A, Air Density Explorer**  
USE EXPLORER 19 SATELLITE

**Density Explorer A, Air**  
USE EXPLORER 19 SATELLITE

**Explorer A, Air Density**  
USE EXPLORER 19 SATELLITE

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Embedded term.

**BIOGEOCHEMISTRY**

Pseudoterms (permutations) derived from em-  
bedded term.

**Chemistry, Biogeo**  
USE BIOGEOCHEMISTRY

**Geochemistry, Bio**  
USE BIOGEOCHEMISTRY

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Postable multiword term.

**APOLLO SOYUZ TEST PROJECT**

Pseudoterms derived from multiword term.

**Project, Apollo Soyuz Test**  
USE APOLLO SOYUZ TEST PROJECT

**Soyuz Test Project, Apollo**  
USE APOLLO SOYUZ TEST PROJECT

**Test Project, Apollo Soyuz**  
USE APOLLO SOYUZ TEST PROJECT

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Typical OTHER WORD entry (abbreviation)  
with postable term reference.

**MA**  
USE MASSACHUSETTS

Typical OTHER WORD entry (chemical sym-  
bol) with postable term reference.

**Zn**  
USE ZINC

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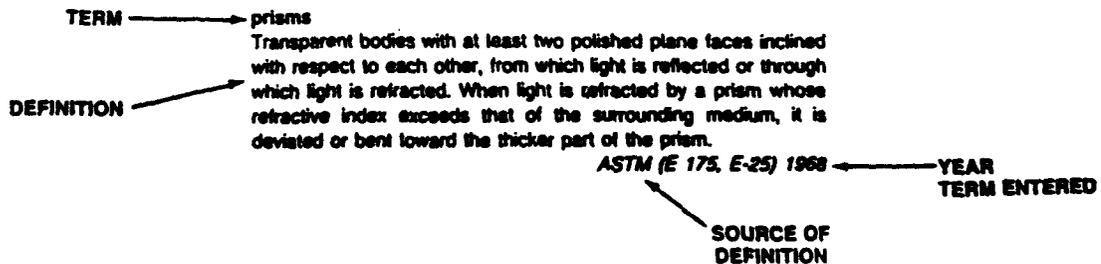
**ASTM.** *Compilation of ASTM Standard Definitions*, 6th edition. Philadelphia, PA, ASTM, 1986. Copyright, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). All rights reserved. Used with the permission of ASTM. Two ASTM sources are distinguished: standards are identified by an alphanumeric designation with no hyphen; committees are identified by an alphanumeric designation with a hyphen. The original definitions appeared in the *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*.

**DOE.** *Energy Data Base Subject Thesaurus* (DOE/TIC-7000-R7). Oak Ridge, TN, Department of Energy, 1987.

**SP-7.** *Dictionary of Technical Terms for Aerospace Use*, NASA SP-7. Washington, DC, NASA, 1965.

In some cases, definitions used from these sources have been subjected to editorial alterations, such as making a definition agree in number with the NASA form of the term.

## TYPICAL TERM DEFINITION ENTRY



## ENTROPY

### entropy

A measure of the extent to which the energy of a system is unavailable. *SP-7 1968*

### entropy (statistics)

A factor or quantity that is a function of a mechanical system and is equal to the logarithm of the probability of the particular arrangement in that state. *1980*

### entry guidance (STS)

The precise steering commands for trajectory from initial penetration of the earth's atmosphere until the terminal area guidance is activated at an earth-relative speed (about 2500 fps). *1980*

### environmental chambers

Use test chambers

### environmental chemistry

Collective term comprising the complex chemical relationships involving the atmosphere, climatology, air and water pollution, fuels, pesticides, energy, biochemistry, geochemistry, etc. *1980*

### environmental temperature

Use ambient temperature

### environments

External conditions or the sum of such conditions, in which pieces of equipment, living organisms, or systems operate as in temperature environment, vibration environment, or space environment. Environments are usually specified by a range of values, and may be either natural or artificial. *SP-7 1968*

### eosinophils

A type of white blood cell or leukocyte which stains a red color with eosin stain; normally about 2 to 3 percent of white cells in the blood but tending to decrease during stressful situations and thus usable as an index for stress. *SP-7 1968*

### ephemerides

Periodical publications tabulating the predicted positions of celestial bodies at regular intervals, such as daily, and containing other data of interest to astronomers. A publication giving similar information useful to a navigator is called an almanac. *SP-7 1968*

### ephemeris time

The uniform measure of time defined by the laws of dynamics and determined in principle from the orbital motions of the planets, specifically the orbital motion of the earth as represented by Newcomb's Tables of the Sun. *SP-7 1968*

### epitaxy

The oriented growth of a crystalline substance on a substrate of the same or different crystalline substance. *ASTM (F 127, F-1) 1968*

### epoxy matrix composites

High strength compositions consisting of epoxy resin and a reinforcing matrix of filaments or fibers of glass, metal, or other materials. *1980*

### epoxy resins

Viscous liquids or brittle solids containing epoxide groups that can be crosslinked into final form by means of a chemical reaction with a variety of setting agents used with or without heat. *ASTM (C 804, C-3) 1968*

### equations of motion

A set of equations which give information regarding the motion of a body or of a point in space as a function of time when initial position and initial velocity are known. Used for motion equations. *SP-7 1968*

### equations of state

Equations relating temperature, pressure, and volume of a system in thermodynamic equilibrium. Used for state equations. *SP-7 1968*

### equatorial atmosphere

The composition and characteristics of the earth's atmosphere at and/or near the equator. *1978*

### equatorial regions

Areas on or near the earth's equator; regions between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn (23 degrees 27 minutes North or South of the Equator). *1980*

### equators

The primary great circle of a sphere or spheroid, such as the earth, perpendicular to the polar axis; or a line resembling or approximating such a circle. *SP-7 1968*

### equilibrium

A state of dynamic balance between the opposing actions, reactions, or velocities of a reversible process. *ASTM (E 7, E-4) 1968*

### equilibrium flow

Gas flow in which energy is constant along streamlines and the composition of the gas at any point is not time dependent. Used for steady state flow. *SP-7 1968*

### equinoxes

One of two points of intersection of the ecliptic and the celestial equator occupied by the sun when its declination is zero degrees. *SP-7 1968*

### ERBE

Use earth radiation budget experiment

### ergometers

Instruments for measuring muscular work. *SP-7 1968*

### ergonomics

Use human factors engineering

### erosion

Progressive loss of original material from a solid surface due to mechanical interaction between that surface and a fluid, a multicomponent fluid, or impinging liquid or solid particles. Used for scars (geology). *ASTM (G 76, G-2) 1968*

### erosive burning

Combustion of solid propellants accompanied with nonsteady, high velocity flows of product gases across burning propellant surfaces. *1980*

### error band

Use accuracy

### error signals

Voltages the magnitude of which are proportional to the difference between an actual and a desired position. *SP-7 1968*

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HEADINGS—  
ANNOTATED  
ALPHABETIC  
LIST

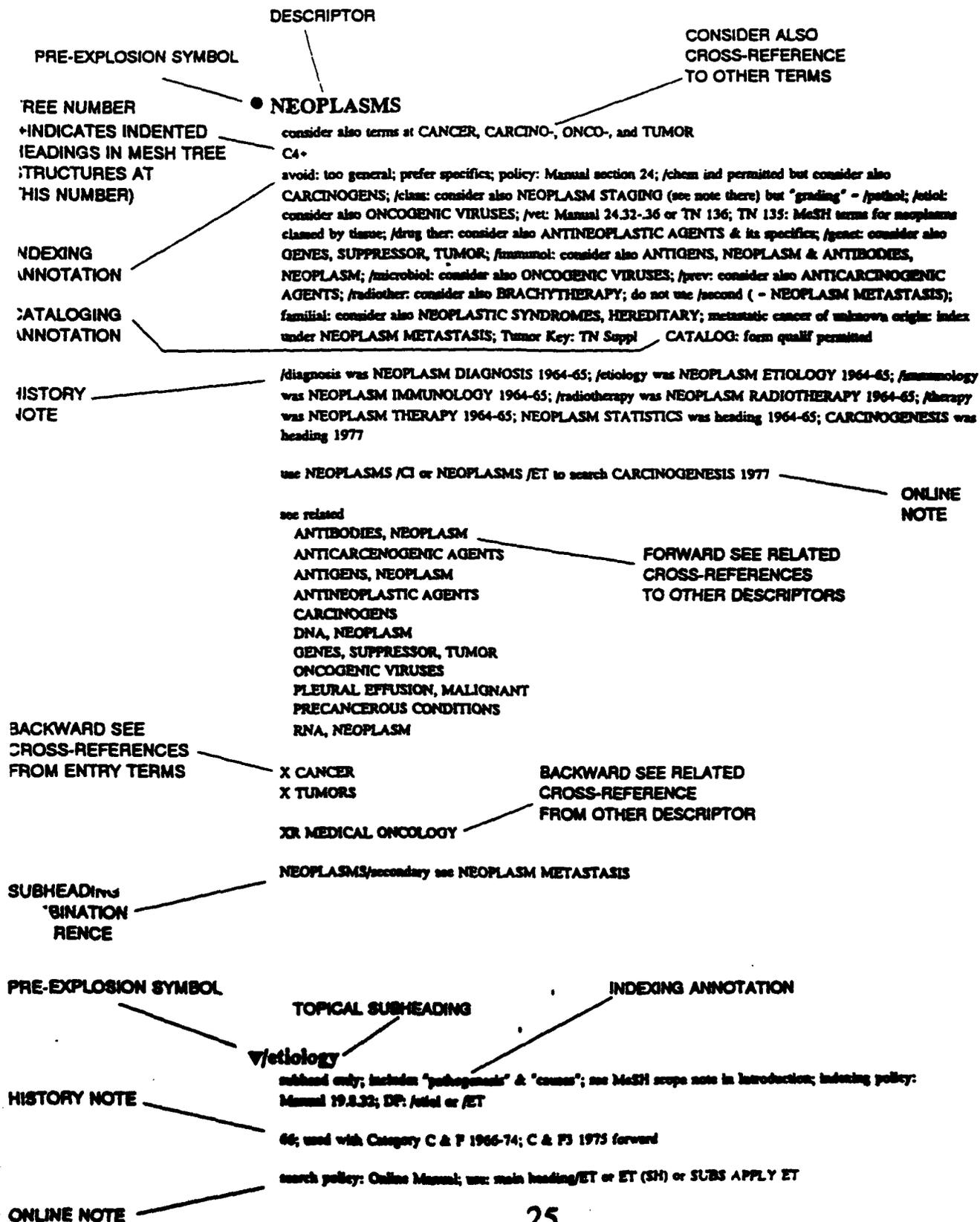
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# SAMPLE ENTRIES

Below are sample entries for one MeSH Heading and one Topical Subheading. Further explanation may be found in the following introductory sections.



**ENTEROPEPTIDASE**

D8.266.277.494.732.760.284

91(73); was see under SERINE PROTEINASES 1973-90

**ENTERSORPTION**

E1.912.300

a type of sorption detoxification; do not use Dorland; read MeSH definition; do not use /util except by MeSH definition

91

**ENTEROSTOMY**

E4.579.338+

E4.765.338+

GEN only; prefer specific intestinal -ostomy; do not use /util except by MeSH definition

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XR INTESTINES

**ENTEROTOXEMIA**

C1.232.410.90.217.325

C22.313

animal only; check tag ANIMAL; coord IM with precoord animal/dis term (IM) + animal (NIM) or with animal (IM) in absence of precoord

91(69); was see under CLOSTRIDIUM INFECTIONS 1969-90

**ENTEROTOXINS**

D04.185.924.330

/using permitted but consider also ANTITOXINS; coord IM with specific bacterium (IM or NIM)

68; was ENTEROTOXIN 1964-67 (Prov)

was ENTEROTOXINS to search ENTEROTOXIN back thru 1966 (as Prov 1966-67)

see related

STAPHYLOCOCCAL FOOD POISONING

**ENTEROVIRUS INFECTIONS**

C1.782.687.359+

**ENTEROVIRUS 70 see ENTEROVIRUSES**

B4.909.777.618.284+

**ENTEROVIRUSES**

B4.909.777.618.284+

a large group of the family Picornaviridae; infection = ENTEROVIRUS INFECTIONS

75; was ENTEROVIRUS 1963-74

was ENTEROVIRUSES to search ENTEROVIRUS 1966-74

X ENTEROVIRUS 70

**ENTEROVIRUSES, PORCINE**

B4.909.777.618.284.600

a picornavirus; infection: coord IM with ENTEROVIRUS INFECTIONS (IM); DF: note short X of

91(73); was see under ENTEROVIRUSES 1975-90

X EC80 VIRUSES

X ENTERIC CYTOPATHIC SWINE ORPHAN VIRUS

X PORCINE ENTEROVIRUSES

X TAIWAN DISEASE VIRUS

X TRENCH DISEASE VIRUS

**ENTOMOLOGY**

G1.273.943.489

SPEC. SPEC qualif

**ENTOMOPHITHORA**

B1.324.738.944.300

a subclass of phycosporozoa; infection: coord IM with MYCOSES (IM)

91(79); was see under ZYGOMYCOTINA 1964-90; was see under ZYGOMYCETES 1979-85; was see under PHYCOMYCETES 1975-78

**ENTOPTIC VISION see VISION, ENTOPTIC**

F1.288.814.639.800

G11.541.796.929.800

G11.697.911.720

**ENTRAPMENT NEUROPATHY see NERVE COMPRESSION SYNDROMES**

C8.772.491+

**ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

J1.238.375

N6.482.688.250

see qualif differently

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**ENTROPION**

C11.338.443

**ENURESIS**

C12.777.934.284

F1.124.328

**ENV GENE PRODUCTS see GENE PRODUCTS, ENV**

D12.776.964.775.325+

D12.776.964.970.880.325+

**ENV GENES see GENES, ENV**

G3.275.536.830.200

G5.275.405.800.200

**ENV-ONC FUSION PROTEIN see ONCOGENE PROTEINS, FUSION**

D12.776.677.500+

D12.776.964.680+

**ENV POLYPROTEINS see GENE PRODUCTS, ENV**

D12.776.964.775.325+

D12.776.964.970.880.325+

**ENV PROTEIN see GENE PRODUCTS, ENV**

D12.776.964.775.325+

D12.776.964.970.880.325+

**ENV PROTEIN GP41, HIV see HIV ENVELOPE PROTEIN GP41**

D12.776.964.775.325.330

D12.776.964.970.880.325.330

D04.611.216.327.570.470.330

**ENV PROTEIN GP120, HIV see HIV ENVELOPE PROTEIN GP120**

D12.776.964.775.325.350

D12.776.964.970.880.325.350

D04.611.216.327.570.470.350

**ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN GP120, HIV see HIV ENVELOPE PROTEIN GP120**

D12.776.964.775.325.350

D12.776.964.970.880.325.350

D04.611.216.327.570.470.350

**ENVELOPE PROTEIN GP41, HIV see HIV ENVELOPE PROTEIN GP41**

D12.776.964.775.325.330

D12.776.964.970.880.325.330

D04.611.216.327.570.470.330

**ENVELOPE PROTEINS, VIRAL see VIRAL ENVELOPE PROTEINS**

D12.776.964.970.880+

**ENVIOMYCIN**

D08.85.89.910.345

D08.338.135.922.345

an antibiotic; antibiotic

91(81); was see under VIOMYCINS 1961-80; was

TUBERACTINOMYCIN-N see under ANTIBIOTICS,

ANTITUBERCULAR 1975-80

was ENVIOMYCIN to search TUBERACTINOMYCIN-N back thru 1975

X TUBERACTINOMYCIN N

**ENVIRONMENT**

G1.230+

see qualif CATALOG: /gang /form

see related

SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT

ENVIRONMENT/microbiology see ENVIRONMENTAL

MICROBIOLOGY

**ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH (NON MESH)**

O3+

**ENVIRONMENT, CONTROLLED**

G1.230.150+

see qualif

73

see related

ATMOSPHERE EXPOSURE CHAMBERS

INCUBATORS

X LAMINAR AIR-FLOW AREAS

**ENVIRONMENT DESIGN**

G1.230.200

H1.263

F1.288.789.359

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**ENVIRONMENTAL AIR POLLUTANTS see AIR POLLUTANTS,**

ENVIRONMENTAL

D1.384.138.140+

**ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE**

G1.688.488.280+

may or may not result in a disease; coord IM with specific substance (IM)

74(87)

see related

AIR POLLUTANTS, ENVIRONMENTAL

ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE

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<b>DOE</b> 1 vol.	<u>Subject Thesaurus</u>	Some definitions within alphabetic sequence (DEF)	N/A	N/A
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R19	4422	R	33	ADJUSTMENT (TO ENVIRONMENT)
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