

Nucleosynthesis - astro858

<i>Course</i>	Nucleosynthesis
<i>Course No.</i>	astro858

Category	Type	Language	Teaching hours	CP	Semester
Elective	Lecture with exercises	English	3+1	6	ST

Requirements for Participation:

Preparation: Introduction to Astronomy, Stars and Stellar Evolution

Form of Testing and Examination: Written or oral examination

Length of Course: 1 semester

Aims of the Course: Obtain an overview of the different nucleosynthesis processes in the universe, an understanding of how they work, and where they work.

Contents of the Course:

Basic: Thermonuclear reactions

Big Bang nucleosynthesis

Overview of stellar evolution

Hydrostatic Nucleosynthesis I: Hydrogen burning

Hydrostatic Nucleosynthesis II: Helium burning and beyond

Hydrostatic Nucleosynthesis III: The s-process

Hydrostatic Nucleosynthesis IV: s-process components

Explosive Nucleosynthesis I: Core-collapse supernovae

Explosive Nucleosynthesis II: r-process and p-process

Explosive Nucleosynthesis III: Thermonuclear supernovae

Cosmic ray nucleosynthesis

Chemical Evolution of galaxies

Recommended Literature:

Lecture script

C.E.Rolf, W.S.Rodney: Cauldrons in the Cosmos (ISBN 0-226-45033-3), not compulsory

D.D. Clayton: Physics of Stellar Evolution and Nucleosynthesis (ISBN 0-226-10953-4), not compulsory

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