

# InSpector™ 1000

## Digital Hand-Held MCA

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User's Manual

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# NOTICE

## **Before you can use the InSpector™ 1000**

- for the first time, or
- with a new unstabilized probe,

## **you must calibrate the system.**

Perform an Auto Recalibration (page 73), using a mono line source (10 to 20 nCi) such as Canberra's:

- Model CSRCCS-1 for the IPRON-1 probe.
- Model CSRCCS-2 for the IPRON-2 probe.
- Model CSRCCS-3 for the IPRON-3 probe.

For the greatest calibration accuracy, follow this with a Full energy calibration (page 77), using a multipeak gamma source, such as Canberra's:

- Model MGS-3 Calibration Standard.

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# Preface

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The InSpector™ 1000 is an easy-to-use digital handheld multichannel analyzer, ideally suited for:

- Homeland Security and First Responder Applications (fire fighters, law enforcement, Coast Guard, hospital emergency personnel).
- Customs and Border Controls.
- Waste (scrap) Applications.
- Health Physics Applications which need isotope specific results.
- *In Situ* Environmental Screening.
- Treaty and Non-proliferation Compliance.
- Monitoring of Nuclear Transportation.



The InSpector 1000 and Attached Probe

The InSpector 1000 can be used for any field measurement application requiring dose and count rate measurements, locating sources, nuclide identification with activity measurements, and spectrum acquisition and analysis. All these modes of operations are easily selectable with one touch.

The InSpector 1000 gives results not just data! It continuously updates information about radiation hazards: identified nuclides, nuclide activities or dose rate.

The InSpector 1000 provides a flexible application-specific response by accommodating different detector/probe sizes and technologies. The high voltage power supply and preamplifier are built into each probe.

The instrument automatically recognizes each of these intelligent probes and it selects the associated calibrations and other parameters.

The crisp color display and well-organized six hard buttons allow the user quick access to all modes and to switch from one mode to another with one push of a button! Even with gloved

hands, the user can also use the touch screen instead of these hard keys. The intuitive user interface provides the ultimate flexibility in field operations.

InSpector 1000 is readily usable without the need of extensive training and also offers high-level spectrometry analysis capabilities for expert use.

One-click simplicity masks the powerful spectral processing built within this instrument. This instrument provides a level of performance previously available only in sophisticated computer-based laboratory systems. It offers the full power of Canberra's time-tested spectrum processing algorithms – minimizing false positive identifications while improving sensitivity for low level shielded and mixed sources, or sources "hidden" by natural or legitimate radioactive materials.

Moreover, the use of Digital Signal Processing technology improves the overall signal acquisition performance; this results in increased stability, accuracy, consistency and reproducibility in a Smart probe instrument.



# 1. Introduction

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The InSpector™ 1000's software runs under the Windows® CE operating system. Though it may seem that other Windows CE applications could be run on the InSpector, doing so will cause undesirable results and may void your warranty.



**CAUTION**

- Do not use the InSpector as a PDA.
- Do not use the InSpector to run other Windows CE applications.

Doing so will cause the InSpector to malfunction and may cause data to be corrupted or irretrievably lost.

## About This Manual

The *InSpector 1000 User's Manual* is designed for users of all levels of sophistication. Each chapter is a tutorial, addresses an operating mode or explains how to set up the instrument for daily operation.

- Chapter 2, **Easy Mode of Operation**, describes how to use the default operating mode to quickly locate and identify sources of radiation. You should also refer to the InSpector 1000 Quick Start Guide.
- Chapter 3, **Quick Start – Standard Mode**, uses the Dose Mode as a brief introduction to working with the InSpector's Dose, Locator and Nuclide ID operating modes.
- Chapter 4, **Dose Mode**, presents a quick view of both the Instantaneous Dose Rate and the Cumulative Dose in one of several different display modes in your choice of sievert, roentgen or rem units.
- Chapter 5, **Locator Mode**, charts the moment by moment radiation intensity seen by the InSpector, helping you locate lost, hidden or contraband sources of radiation.
- Chapter 6, **Nuclide ID Mode**, provides continuous real-time identification of individual isotopes with their activity calculation.
- Chapter 7, **Spectroscopy Tutorials**, is based on Genie 2000's gamma analysis functions. This chapter explains how the InSpector implements those functions.
- Chapter 8, **Spectroscopy Mode**, lets you collect and analyze radionuclide spectra with the spectroscopy tools normally found only in a high-end MCA.

- Chapter 9, **Special Count Mode**, provides a simple way to select an analysis sequence file (.asf), calibration file (.cal) or paired ASF/CAL files to initiate a measurement according to the sampling environment.
- Chapter 10, **Setup Mode**, lets you set the system-wide parameters and the parameters for each of the four data modes.

## 2. Easy Mode of Operation

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The InSpector™ is normally set for this mode of operation. If your unit is set to the Standard Mode, you'll find the information you need in the chapters on Dose Mode, Locator Mode, NID Mode and Spectroscopy Mode. To change to the Standard Mode of Operation, deselect the Easy Mode button in Instrument Setup (page 109).

There are two main functions in the Easy Mode:

- The Locator (LOC) function, which lets you locate the source of radioactivity, making it easy to find lost, hidden or contraband sources of radiation (this page).
- The Nuclide Identifier (NID) function, which identifies individual isotopes and their activity (page 5).

### Locator Mode

The Locator Mode displays a real-time radiation histogram (Figure 1) showing the amount of radiation being detected.

- As you scan an area with the InSpector's probe, a change in the height of the histogram's bars (at the right of Figure 1) means the probe is pointing at a source of radiation.
- Press **Enter** to change to the NID Mode (page 5) and start collecting data.

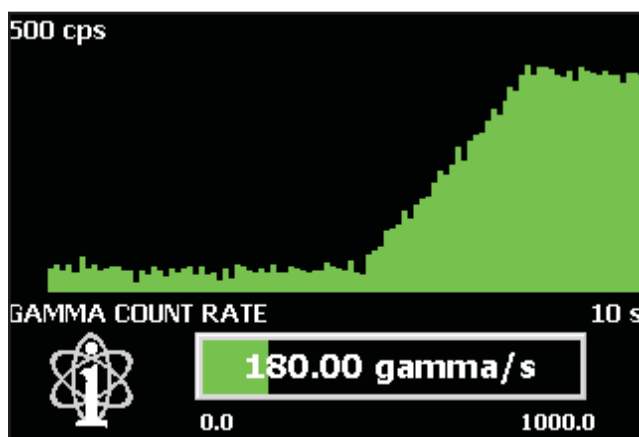


Figure 1 Locator Mode with Gamma Count Rate

The bar at the bottom of the screen shows the current Gamma Count Rate (gamma radiation events detected per second). You might also see Gamma Dose Rate or Neutron Count Rate, depending on how your InSpector has been set up.

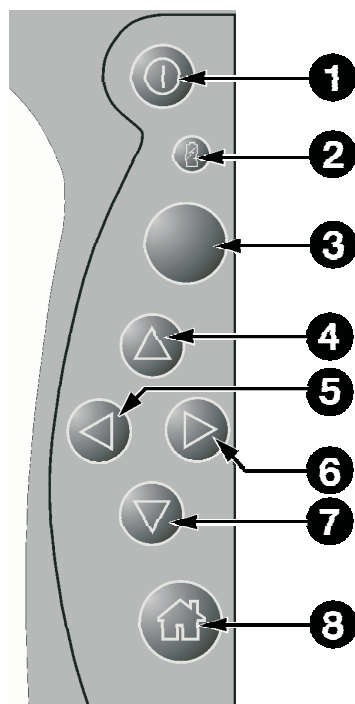
### Overflow Indicator

If the bargraph's data is greater than the selected scale, a right-pointing triangle appears at the right end of the bargraph (circled in Figure 2).



Figure 2 CPS Overflow Indication

## Hard Key Functions for the Locator Mode



1. **Power** – Turns the InSpector On/Off.
2. **Charge** – Lights whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter** – changes to the NID Mode.
4. **Up** – No function in this mode.
5. **Left** – Halves the width of the dwell window (and changes the dwell time).
6. **Right** – Doubles the width of the dwell window (and changes the dwell time).
7. **Down** – No function in this mode.
8. **Home** – Changes the display back and forth between the LOCate and NID modes.

## Alerts

If the detected radiation exceeds the InSpector's preset Warning (low level) threshold or Alarm (high level) threshold, Warning or Alarm indicators will alert you.<sup>1</sup>

### Warning Indicators

If a Warning Level is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to yellow, an audio alert will sound, and the display's background will flash black and gold.


### Alarm Indicators

If an Alarm Level is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to red, an audio alert will sound, and the display's background will flash black and maroon.

### Turning Off the Audio Alerts

See "The Audio Alerts" (page 12).

## Changing to the NID Mode

You can also change the display to the Nuclide ID Mode by selecting the isotope icon  or by pressing the keypad's **Enter** key.

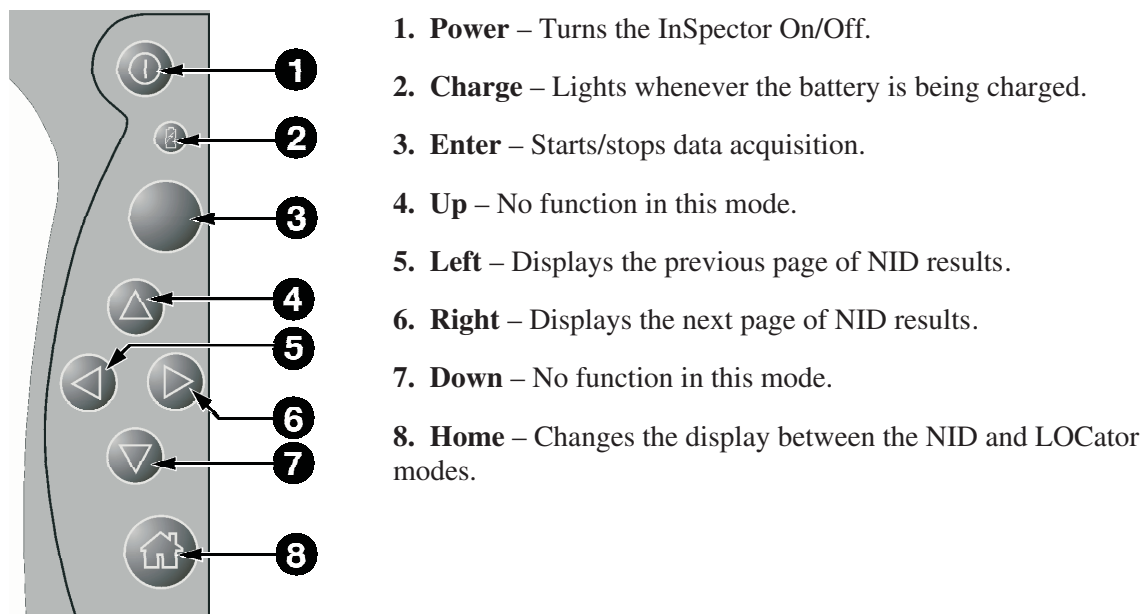
## Nuclide ID Mode

The NID (nuclide identification) Mode provides real-time identification of individual isotopes and their calculated activity, with the results displayed in a table.

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1. The InSpector can alert you to any or all of excessive Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose or Neutron Count Rate. Their thresholds are defined in Dose Setup (page 102). In addition, an alert for specific isotopes can be defined (page 29).

## Hard Key Functions for the NID Mode



## Acquiring NID Data

When you enter the NID Mode, the message “Time needed” (to acquire enough data) is displayed (Figure 3).

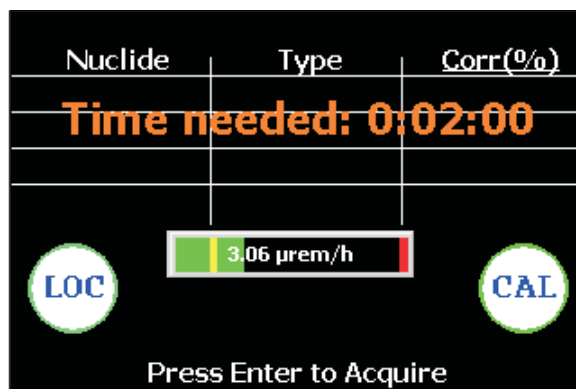



Figure 3 The Nuclide ID Display


- Press the **Enter** button to start acquiring the data.

- The “Time needed” message will change to “Acquiring”.
- When the Acquisition countdown is complete, the message will change to “Processing...” and data analysis will start.
- The results for all identified isotopes will be displayed in a table (Figure 4) or the message “No Nuclides Found” will be displayed.

Nuclide	Type	Corr(%)
U-238	SNM	93.672
Cs-137	industrial	88.854
Co-60	industrial	88.493



0.01 mrem/h



Press Enter to Save or Acquire


Figure 4 Identified Nuclides

### Save or Acquire


When analysis is complete, select the keyboard’s **Enter** key to Save the data or Acquire new/more data.

- Save – Saves the current data to a file.
- Acquire – Follow the on-screen prompts to perform one of several data acquisition options. If you Extend the acquisition, the original amount of acquisition time will be used.

## Changing to the Locator Mode

To change the display to the Locator Mode (page 3), select the onscreen Locate button  or the keypad’s **Home** key.

## Calibrating the InSpector

Select the onscreen Calibrate button  to access the InSpector’s standard Auto Recal function, which is covered in detail starting on page 73.

Note: The CAL button will not be seen when data acquisition is in process.

### Isotope-Specific Alerts

The InSpector can announce warnings and alerts for specific nuclides. This feature is set up in the Standard Operating Mode (page 29).

#### If the Nuclide's Warning Level is Exceeded

- The General Alert Warning Indicator (described below) is triggered.
- The nuclide's line will blink yellow.

#### If the Nuclide's Alarm Level is Exceeded

- The General Alert Alarm Indicator (described below) is triggered.
- The nuclide's line will blink red.

### General Alerts

The InSpector can be set to alert you if the detected radiation exceeds the low level Warning or high level Alarm threshold. In addition to the alert for specific isotopes, the InSpector can alert you to any of excessive Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose and/or Neutron Count Rate. Their Warning and Alarm thresholds are defined in the Setup Mode.

#### Warning Indicators

If a Warning Level is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to yellow.

If enabled, an audio alert will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and gold.

#### Alarm Indicators

If an Alarm Level is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to red.

If enabled, an audio alert will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

#### Turning Off the Audio Alerts

See "The Audio Alerts" on page 12.



## Using a Stabilized Probe

The Stabilized Probe is very easy to use. When the InSpector finds a Stabilized Probe connected to its DET connector, it will display a message for about 30 seconds, advising you that the probe is stabilizing (Figure 5).



Figure 5 A NaI Probe is Stabilizing

- The blue LED on the probe will blink while stabilization is in process. When stabilization is complete, the LED will glow steadily.
- If stabilization is lost, perhaps due to moving the unit from a warm environment to a cold one (indoors to outdoors), data acquisition will stop and the instrument will restabilize itself (the blue LED will start blinking). When the LED glows steadily, stabilization is complete and acquisition can be restarted.
- If you enter a high radiation area, **High Field** will be displayed at the bottom of the screen, data acquisition will stop, the probe's high voltage and its blue LED will be turned off. When you leave the High Field area, the high voltage will be turned on again and the LED will start blinking as the probe begins stabilizing. When the LED glows steadily, stabilization is complete and acquisition can be restarted.

## 3. Quick Start

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The Quick Start chapter for the Standard Mode of Operation uses the Dose Mode as a brief introduction to working with the InSpector 1000™. Refer to the chapters on Dose, Locator, Nuclide ID and Spectroscopy for detail information. To access the Easy Mode of Operation, refer to Instrument Setup on page 109.

### Preparing the InSpector

If you haven't already connected the probe(s) to your InSpector, refer to "Connecting the InSpector's Cables" on page 156 for instructions.

### Turning on the InSpector

To turn on the InSpector, press the **Power** key (Figure 6).

### The Dose Mode

The Dose Mode, which is always running in the background, measures and displays both the instantaneous Dose Rate, the amount of radiation being measured at this moment, and the Cumulative Dose.



Figure 6 The InSpector's Front Panel

### Displaying the Dose Mode's Data

There are several ways of displaying the Dose Mode's data. As an example, the Simple Dose Rate display in Figure 7 shows:

- The current Dose Rate as a value and unit, 1.8 mR/h (milliRoentgens per hour) as a histogram bar.
- The bar's highlighted length is the proportion of the value, 1.8, to the full scale, 10.0.
- The histogram's first (yellow) vertical bar indicates the Dose Rate warning level and the second (red) bar indicates the Dose Rate alarm level.

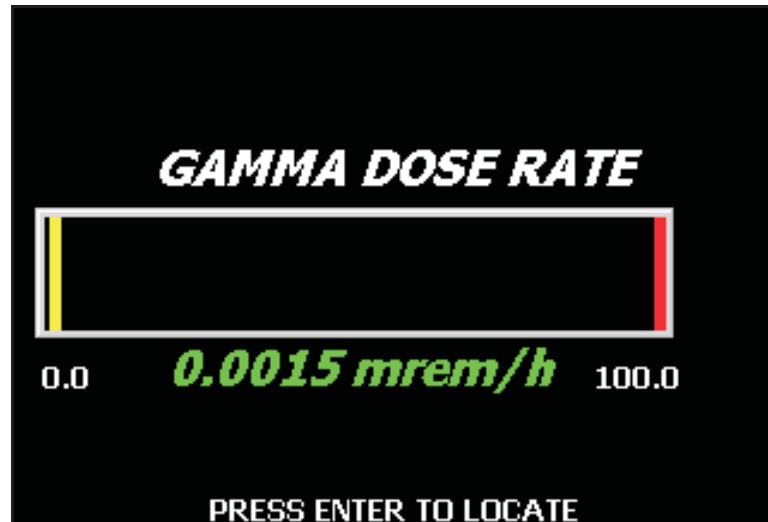





Figure 7 The Simple Dose Display

## The Status Line

The Status Line at the bottom of the screen (Figure 8) displays several status indicators:






Figure 8 The Status Bar

- The current instrument status: Idle, Acquiring, High Field, Stabilized, Hold, No Probe or ERROR.
- The current analysis status: Analyzing or ERROR.
- There are two power icons: One  shows that the InSpector is using an external power source; the other  shows that the internal battery is powering the unit, and shows the battery charge remaining.
- The Help icon.  Select this button to display the help screen for the current Mode or dialog screen.

## The Audio Alerts

The audio icons disable/enable an active Annunciator or Alarm/Warning audio output. Any changes to these settings are valid only for the current session; they will be reset to their default state at the next power on.

- The Annunciator output is active only if the Annunciator (page 21) has been enabled. Selecting the audio icons  will turn the Annunciator audio off and put a red **X** through the Annunciator icon. 
- If any enabled Warning or Alarm threshold is exceeded (page 102), its audio alert will be heard.
- Selecting the audio icons a second time will turn the Alarms audio off and put a red **X** through the Alarms icon. 
- Select the icons again to re-enable the Annunciator audio, and a second time to re-enable the Alarms audio.
- If the Annunciator has not been enabled, its icon will always be disabled. In this case, only the Alarms icon can be toggled between on and off.

## Error Messages

If a red **NO PROBE** appears in the status line, you must connect a probe to the In-Spector before you can acquire data in the NID or Spec Modes.

If a red **ERROR** appears in the status line, there is an acquisition or analysis fault. Select the word “error” to open a text window describing the error (Figure 9).

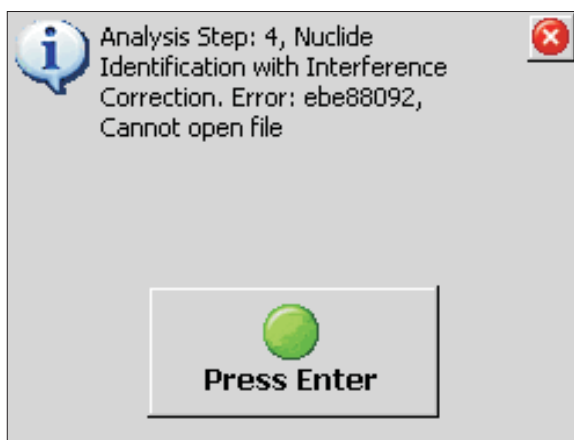


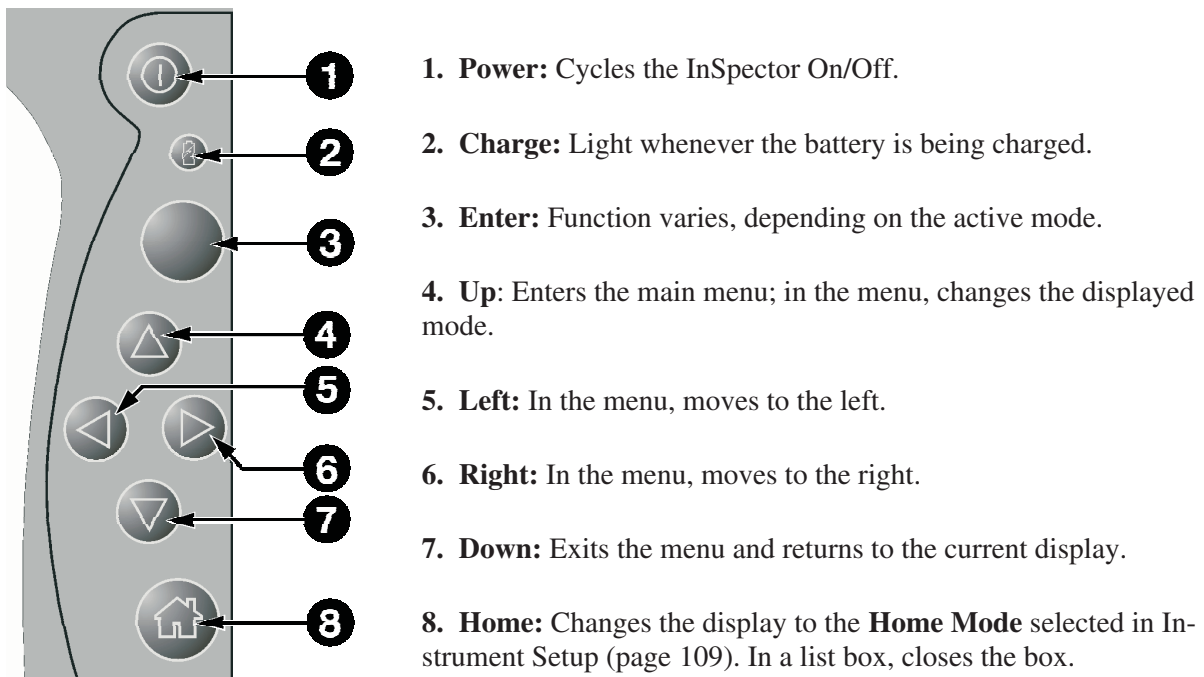
Figure 9 An Example of an Error Message

## Navigating the InSpector's Menus

There are two ways to navigate around the InSpector 1000's menus and functions: by the hard keys to the left of the display or by the soft buttons on the display.

### Hard Keys

These are general descriptions of the hard keys' functions. The function of most keys depends on which mode is active.



### Soft Buttons

The touchscreen allows both coarse control and fine control.

- Touch a soft button on the screen to select that button's function.
- For fine control, use a stylus or your fingernail.

### The Home Mode

You can always select the **Home** button to go back to the default operating mode, as defined in Instrument Setup (page 109).

## Accessing the Menus

You can move through the menus by:

- Selecting the menu's soft buttons,
- Using the arrow hard keys.

For example, selecting the Up Arrow hard key shows you the first level menu with a soft button for each of the InSpector's operating modes (Figure 10).



Figure 10 The First Level Menu

If the Special Count option is enabled (page 137) the first level menu contains the following menu items (Figure 11). Refer to Chapter 9, *Special Count*, for detailed information on the Special Count mode.

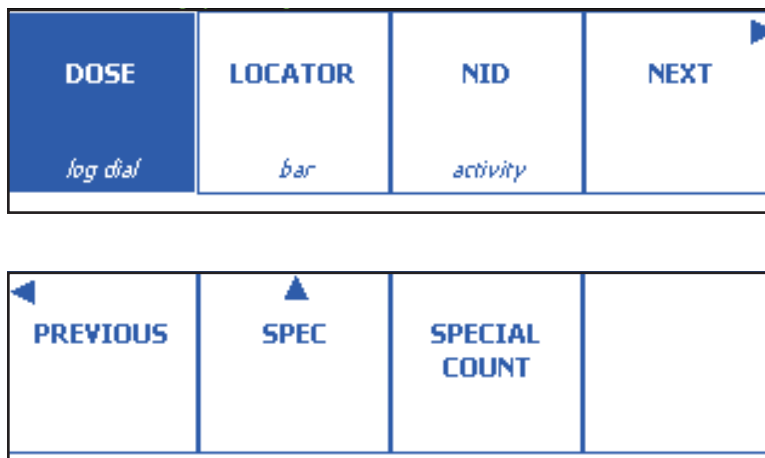


Figure 11 First Level Menu showing the Special Count Menu Item

- Three of the menu buttons show a legend in italics. Each time you select a button like this, the button's legend and the function's display will change.
  - For example, each time you select the **DOSE** button, the Dose Mode's display will change, displaying the data in a different way. The button's legend will also change, describing that display.
- To see more menu items at the same level, select the **NEXT** button (shows a right-pointing ▷ triangle).
- To return to the previous menu items at the same level, select the **Previous** button (shows a left-pointing ◁ triangle).
- The upward pointing triangle ▲ on the **SPEC** soft button (Figure 10 indicates that there's another menu level associated with that button (Figure 12).

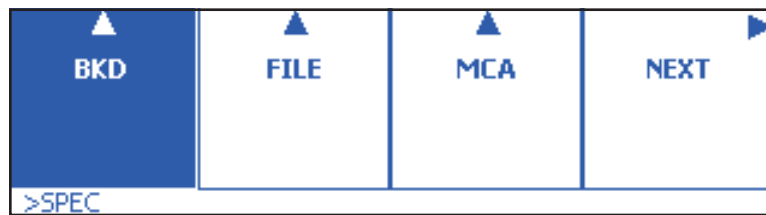


Figure 12 The Spectroscopy Menu

- The area just below the menu displays the path you've followed to get to this point. In this example, you can see that you have gotten here by having selected SPEC.
- Three of this level's buttons show the upward-pointing ▲ triangle, indicating that each has another menu level associated with it.
- To go back one level from the current menu, select the Down Arrow hard key.

## The Backlight

The InSpector's display backlight will illuminate the LCD display in low light or no light conditions but its use will reduce the operating time of the instrument. The backlight can be configured to always be On, always Off, or to automatically turn off a specified number of seconds after the unit becomes inactive (see "Instrument Setup" on page 109).

Note: Should an alarm condition occur the backlight automatically turns on. This only applies to units manufactured with a production date of 0907 and later.<sup>1</sup>

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1. The serial tag is located on the right hand side of the InSpector.



## 4. Dose Mode

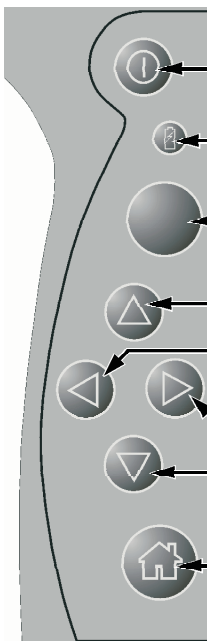
The Dose Mode, which is always running in the background, measures and displays the instantaneous Dose Rate, the amount of radiation being measured at this moment. You can choose any of several displays, each providing different data.

### Dose Rate Equivalent



The InSpector 1000 reports the dose rate equivalent on 10 mm of human tissue [ $H^*(10)$ ]. It does not report surface tissue dose. Therefore, the values reported by the InSpector will not be the same as those reported by instruments using surface methods.

#### Hard Key Functions



1. **Power** – Turns the InSpector™ On/Off.
2. **Charge** – Lights whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter** – Change to the Locator Mode.
4. **Up** – Enters the main menu; in the menu, changes the displayed mode.
5. **Left** – In the menu, moves to the left.
6. **Right** – In the menu, moves to the right.
7. **Down** – Exits the menu and returns to the Dose display.
8. **Home** – Changes the display to the **Home Mode** selected in Instrument Setup (page 109).

### How Dose Information is Displayed

All Dose Mode displays include a digital readout and visual indicators for both the warning threshold and the alarm threshold. The thresholds and the display units are selected in “Dose Setup” (page 102).

### Gamma Probe Displays

If a gamma probe is connected to the InSpector, you can choose:

- Simple – Displays the current Gamma Dose Rate as a bargraph (Figure 13). The GM is explained in “Geiger-Mueller Indicator” on page 19.
- Composite – Displays the Gamma Dose Rate, the Cumulative Gamma Dose and the Gamma Count Rate as bargraphs (Figure 14).
- Ebar – Displays the Gamma Dose Rate, the Cumulative Gamma Dose and the Average Spectrum Energy as bargraphs (Figure 15).
- Log Dial – Displays the current Gamma Dose Rate on a logarithmic analog scale (Figure 16).
- Linear Dial – Displays the current Gamma Dose Rate on a linear analog scale (similar to Figure 16).



Figure 13 Simple Dose Display

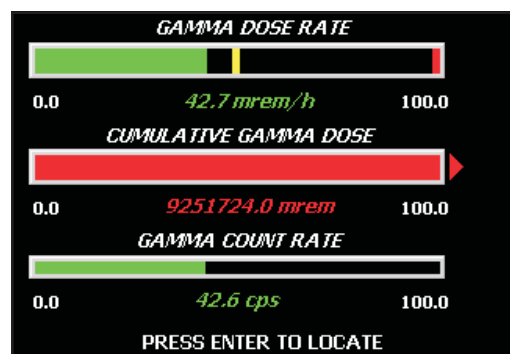


Figure 14 Composite Dose Display

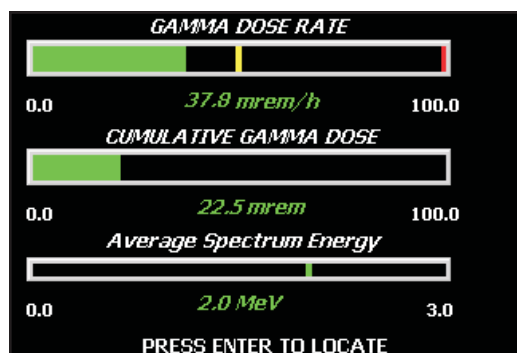


Figure 15 Ebar Dose Display

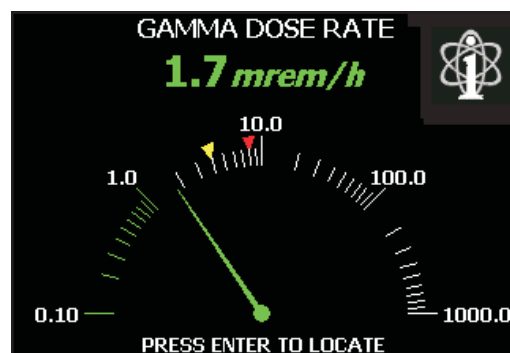


Figure 16 Log Dial Dose Display

## Neutron Probe Displays

If a Neutron Probe is connected to the InSpector, two more displays are available.

- Dose Neutron – Displays the current Gamma Dose Rate and the Neutron Count Rate as bargraphs (Figure 17).
- Composite Neutron – Displays the current Gamma Dose Rate, the Cumulative Gamma Dose and the Neutron Count Rate as bargraphs (Figure 18).

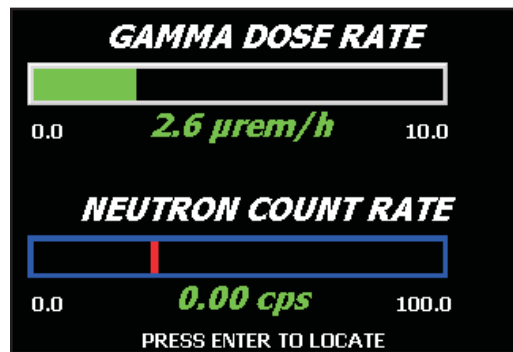


Figure 17 Dose Neutron Display

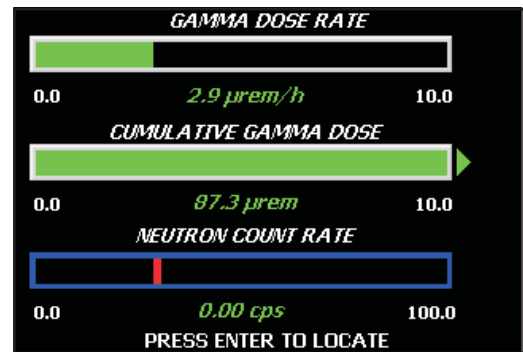


Figure 18 Composite Neutron Display

## Geiger-Mueller Indicator

At higher dose rates, the Geiger-Mueller detector is used for dose calculations instead of the Probe. You'll see a **(GM)** in any Dose display's upper right corner (Figure 13, for instance) to indicate that the GM detector is being used.

## Dose Alerts

If the low-level warning and/or high-level alarm thresholds for Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose and/or Neutron Count Rate (page 102) are exceeded, you will be alerted to the condition in several ways.

### Warning Indicators

If the Warning threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to yellow.

If the Enable parameter for either of these warnings is set to On, the audio alert for that warning will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and gold.

### Alarm Indicators

If the Alarm threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to red. If the Enable parameter for either of these alarms is set to On, the audio alert for that alarm will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

### Turning Off the Audio Alerts

See “The Audio Alerts” on page 12.

### Dose Overflow Indicator

If the bargraph's data is greater than the selected scale, a right-pointing triangle appears at the right end of the bargraph (circled in Figure 19).



Figure 19 Dose Rate Overflow Indication

### Dose Rate Overrange Indicator

The InSpector's Geiger-Mueller detector, which is used instead of the probe for a high level dose rate, has an upper limit of effectiveness.<sup>1</sup> When the dose rate exceeds that limit, the display will flash a red **Dose Rate Overrange** alert until the count rate falls below the upper limit.

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1. The upper limit of the GM tube's effectiveness is  $300 \times 10^3 \mu\text{Sv/h}$  ( $30 \times 10^6 \text{ rem/h}$ ).

## Neutron Count Rate Alert

If the Neutron Count Rate exceeds the Neutron Count Rate Alarm setting (page 105), a blinking **Neutron** will overwrite the current mode's display (Figure 20) and the display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

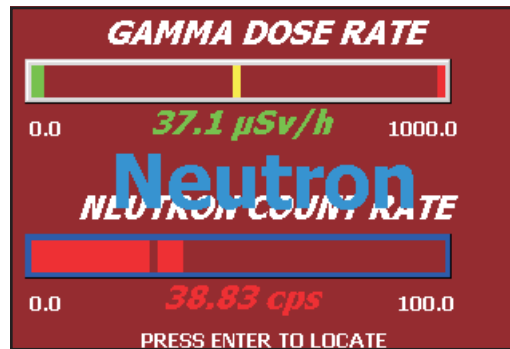


Figure 20 Dose Neutron Alarm Indicator


## The Annunciator

If the Annunciator is enabled (page 104), the InSpector can be used to locate an isolated source. When the InSpector detects radioactivity, an audio alert will sound. As the unit approaches the source, the radiation intensity (incoming count rate) increases, causing the audio output's rate or pitch to change with the rate of detected radiation changes.

## Clearing the Cumulative Dose

The Cumulative Dose is the total radiation dose received by the unit since the InSpector was turned on or since the dose memory was cleared using the Setup Mode's Clear Cumulative Dose command (page 112).

## Changing to the NID Mode

If NID results are available (page 25), you'll see an isotope icon  in the upper right corner of the Dial displays. You can change from a Dial display to the NID Mode display by selecting this icon.

## 5. Locator Mode

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As soon as the Locator Mode is selected, it begins operating, displaying a histogram. The Dose Rate is continuously evaluated and the warning and alarm levels are constantly tracked by the InSpector™.

As you scan an area with the InSpector's probe, the change in intensity lets you locate the source of the radioactivity, making it easy to find lost, hidden or contraband sources.

The Locator Mode lets you display either a bar histogram (Figure 21) or a line histogram showing the instantaneous radiation intensity.

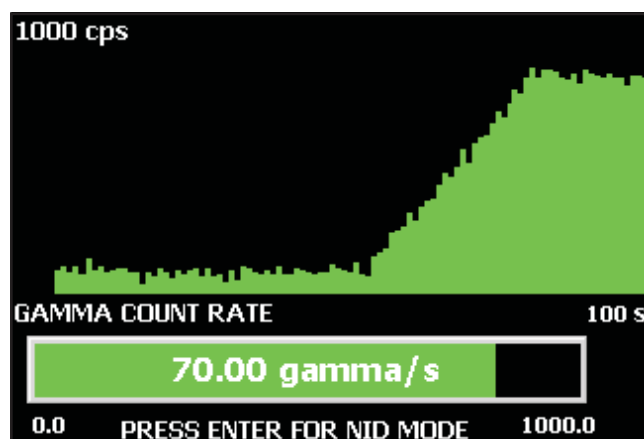
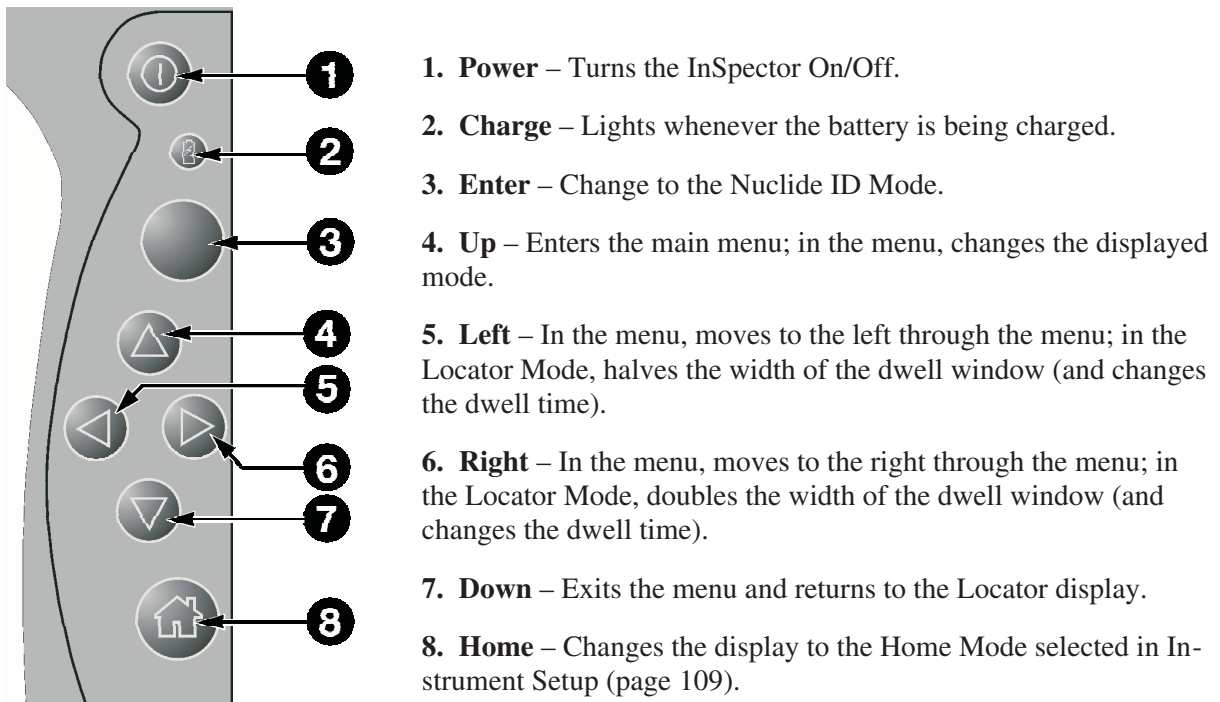


Figure 21 Locator Mode Showing Count Rate

- The most current data (i.e., time now) is the right end of the display. As time advances, data will move to the left.
- The display's horizontal axis is calibrated in time. The width of the graph, in time, is the figure below the right end of the graph (100 seconds in Figure 21).
- The bar graph's scale is shown below the bar (0.0 and 1000.0 in the figure).
- The vertical axis is calibrated in CPS (for gamma count rate) or Dose Rate (for gamma dose rate), with the scale's maximum value shown in the upper left corner (1000 cps in the figure).

- The number shown on the bar is the current count rate.
- Select the **Enter** key to move from the Locator Mode to the NID Mode.
- During Dose Rate operation, the results are updated once a second.
- The operation is limited to gamma fields within the usable range of the attached gamma probe.

### Hard Key Functions



## The Locator Mode Bargraph

The bargraph at the bottom of the screen can be configured to monitor the Gamma Count Rate or the Gamma Dose Rate.

### Neutron Probe

If a neutron probe is attached to the InSpector, the display will automatically show the Neutron Count Rate (neutron/s) and either the Gamma Count Rate (gamma /s) or the Gamma Dose Rate (µrem/h), as selected in “Monitor” on page 106).

### Overflow Indicator

If the bargraph's data is greater than the selected scale, a right-pointing triangle appears at the right end of the bargraph (circled in Figure 22).



Figure 22 CPS Overflow Indication

## Alerts

If the low-level warning and/or high-level alarm thresholds for any of Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose and/or Neutron Count Rate (page 102) are exceeded, you will be alerted to the condition in several ways.

### Warning Indicators

If the low-level Warning threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to yellow.

If the Enable parameter for either of these warnings is set to On, the audio alert for that warning will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and gold.

### Alarm Indicators

If the high-level Alarm threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to red.

If the Enable parameter for either of these alarms is set to On, the audio alert for that alarm will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

### Turning Off the Audio Alerts

See "The Audio Alerts" on page 12.

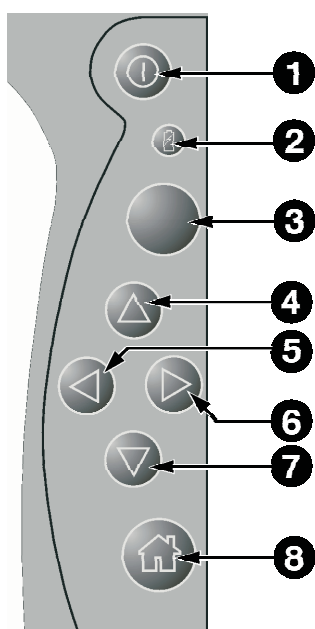


## 6. Nuclide ID Mode

The NID (nuclide identification) Mode provides real-time identification of individual isotopes and their calculated activity, with the results displayed in a table.

In addition, the InSpector™ can monitor specific isotopes and notify you when the alert levels you specify are exceeded (page 29).

### Hard Key Functions



1. **Power** – Turns the InSpector On/Off.
2. **Charge** – Lights whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter** – The Enter key has several easily understood context-sensitive functions.
4. **Up** – Enters the main menu; in the menu, changes the displayed mode.
5. **Left** – In the menu, moves to the left through the menu; in the NID mode, displays the previous page of NID results.
6. **Right** – In the menu, moves to the right through the menu; in the NID mode, displays the next page of NID results.
7. **Down** – Exits the menu and returns to the NID display.
8. **Home** – Changes the display to the **Home Mode** selected in Instrument Setup (page 109). In a dialog box, cancels the box.

### Acquiring NID Data

When the NID Mode is entered, the message “Time Needed” (to acquire enough data) is displayed (Figure 23).

- Press the **Enter** button to start acquiring the data.
- When the countdown is complete, data analysis will start, using the current nuclide library, shown at the lower left of the screen.

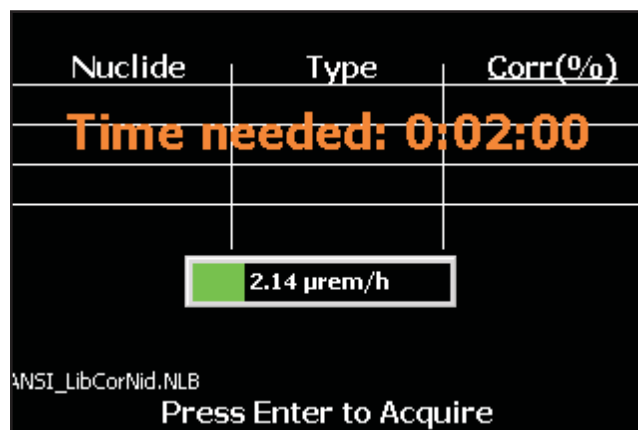


Figure 23 Starting NID Acquisition

The Nuclide ID Mode offers a choice of ways to analyze the data, Discrete Analysis and Standard Analysis.

- In Discrete Analysis, the data is analyzed only once, when data acquisition is complete.
- In Standard Analysis, the data acquisition and analysis cycle repeats continuously.

Note: To use Standard Analysis, you must disable Discrete Analysis (page 31).

## Discrete Analysis

- During acquisition, the NID screen will show the amount of acquisition time remaining until acquisition is complete.
- At the end of acquisition, the NID results table will show the word “Processing...” and a series of dots increments with time, showing that data is still being processed.
- When analysis is complete, the NID table will display either the analysis results or the phrase “No Nuclides Found”.

## Standard Analysis

- During the first acquisition and analysis cycle, the NID screen will show the word “Processing...”. The series of dots increments with time, showing that data is still being processed.

- At the end of the first acquisition and analysis cycle, the NID screen will either list the nuclides found, or display the phrase “No Nuclides Found”.
- With each acquisition and analysis cycle after the first, the NID table will list the results of each analysis as it is completed.

## How Nuclide Information is Displayed

The InSpector offers several NID tables, Simple, Activity and Dose. The rows of table data can be sorted. See “Sorting the NID Data” on page 28.

A ‘\*’ displayed before the activity value at the head of its column indicates that the default efficiency was used for analysis.

When two or more nuclides, such as  $^{85}\text{Kr}$  and  $^{85}\text{Sr}$ , produce their single peak at the same energy level, the InSpector is not able to determine which nuclide to assign to that peak. If this happens, the InSpector will display a ‘?’ before the nuclide name.

### Library Used

The name of the nuclide library used for nuclide analysis will be shown at the bottom left of the display.

### Gamma Dose Rate Bargraph

The Gamma Dose Rate or Count Rate bargraph below the nuclide table (Figure 24) shows the same data as the Simple Dose Mode display (page 18). To change to the last selected Dose Mode display, click on the bargraph.

## Simple NID Display

The **Simple** view’s table (Figure 24) lists the Nuclide, its Type (fission, activation, etc.), and either its Confidence or its Correlation.

When analysis is complete, press Enter to Save or Acquire (page 28).

Nuclide	Type	Corr(%)
U-238	SNM	93.672
Cs-137	industrial	88.854
Co-60	industrial	88.493

0.01 mrem/h

  
ANSI\_LibCorNid.NLB  
**Press Enter to Save or Acquire**

Figure 24 Simple Nuclide ID

## Activity and Dose NID Displays

The **Activity** view's table (Figure 25) lists the Nuclide, its Type (fission, activation, etc.), its activity, and its %Error (the 1 sigma uncertainty of the activity).

The **Dose** view's table (Figure 26) lists the Nuclide, its Type (fission, activation, etc.), and the dose rate.

Nuclide	Type	$\mu\text{Ci}$	% Err
I-131	medical	0.331	3.8

Figure 25 Activity Nuclide ID

Nuclide	Type	mrem/h
I-131	medical	0.001

Figure 26 Dose Nuclide ID

## Sorting the NID Data

Except for the **Type** column, you can sort the rows of data by selecting one of the table's columns.

- Selecting **% Err** will sort the rows in increasing order.
- Selecting any other column title (except **Type**) will sort the rows in decreasing order.
- The title of the column that has been used for sorting will be underlined.

## Save or Acquire

- When analysis is complete, select the keyboard's **Enter** key to Save the data or Acquire new/more data (Figure 27).
- Save – Saves the current data to a file.
- Acquire – Follow the on-screen prompts to perform one of several data acquisition options. If you Extend the acquisition, the original amount of acquisition time will be used.

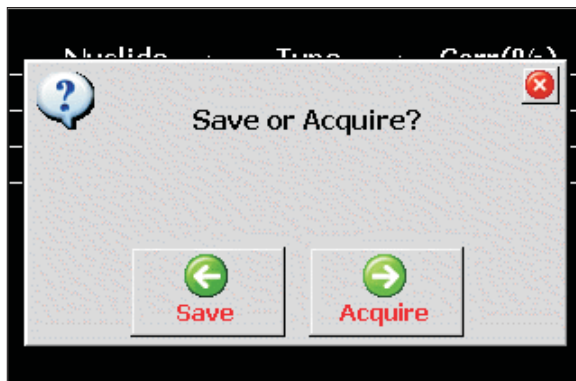


Figure 27 Save or Acquire Data

## Isotope-Specific Alerts

Genie 2000's Nuclide Library Editor, described in its own chapter in the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual*, is used to set isotope-specific alerts (Action Levels) for specific nuclides in a nuclide library (NLB) file.

- Set Action Level 1 for a nuclide to enable its warning level.
- Set Action Level 2 for a nuclide to enable its alarm level.


After modifying the nuclide library...

- Use the Maintenance Utility's Send function (page 130) to transfer the library to the InSpector.
- Then load it in the NID Analysis Setup (page 108).
- This library will be used for the NID Analysis step of the currently loaded analysis sequence file.
- How to Analyze a Spectrum on page 51 tells you how to Load and Start an analysis sequence.


After each execution of the analysis sequence, the InSpector evaluates the NID results data, comparing the mean activity for each nuclide to the Action Level 1 and Action Level 2 settings for that nuclide.

### If the Nuclide's Warning Level is Exceeded

- The nuclide activity Warning Indicator (described in General Alerts, below) is triggered.
- Its line will blink yellow.

- The isotope icon  in the upper right corner the Dose Mode's Linear Dial or Log Dial display (page 18) will change to yellow.

#### **If the Nuclide's Alarm Level is Exceeded**

- The nuclide activity Alarm Indicator (described in General Alerts, below) is triggered. Its line will blink red.
- The isotope icon  in the upper right corner the Dose Mode's Linear Dial or Log Dial display (page 18) will change to red.

## **General Alerts**

If, in addition to the Isotope-Specific Alerts, the low-level warning and/or high-level alarm thresholds for any of the Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose and/or Neutron Count Rate (page 102) are exceeded, you will be alerted to the condition in several ways.

#### **Warning Indicators**

If the low-level Warning threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to yellow.

If the Enable parameter for either of these warnings is set to On, the audio alert for that warning will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and gold.

#### **Alarm Indicators**

If the high-level Alarm threshold is exceeded, the color of the bar will change to red.

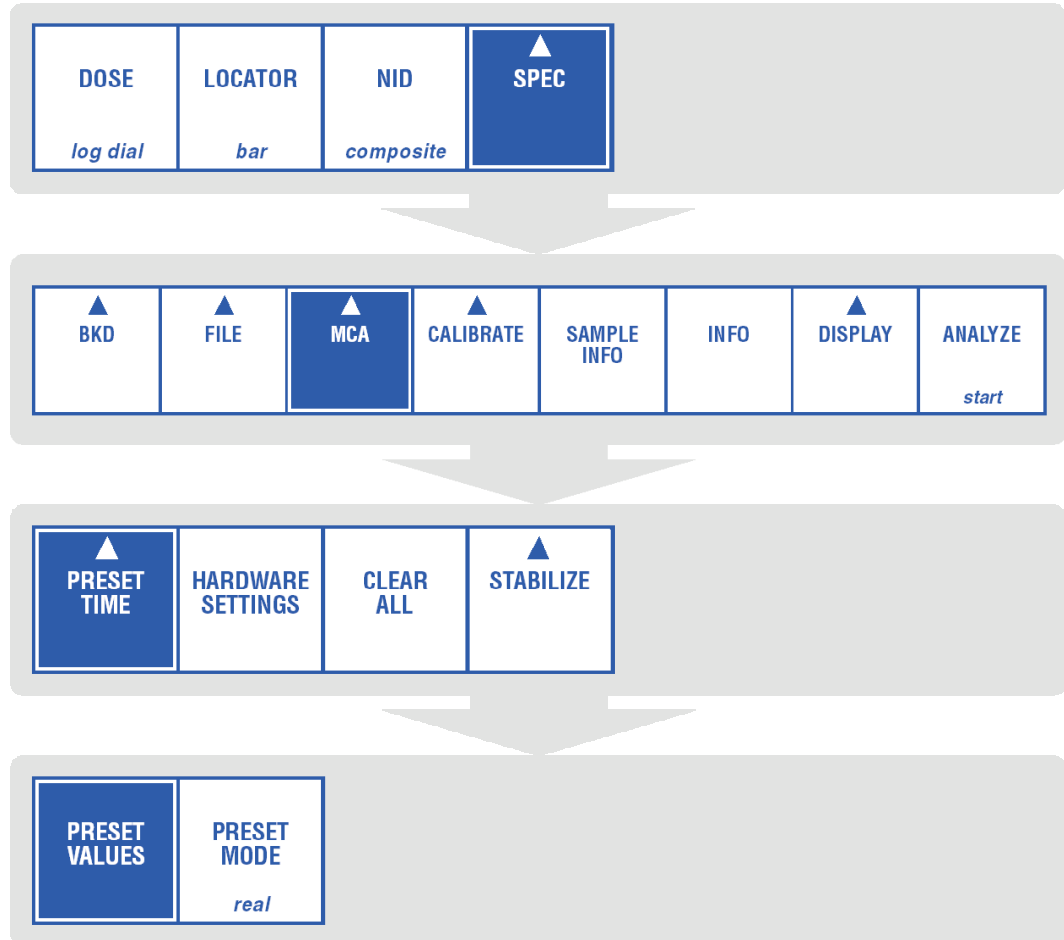
If the Enable parameter for either of these alarms is set to On, the audio alert for that alarm will sound and the display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

#### **Turning Off the Audio Alerts**

See "The Audio Alerts" on page 12.

## Disabling Discrete Analysis

To use Standard Analysis, select:



Then in MCA Presets (Figure 28),

- Verify or enter a preset: Time, Units and Mode (Real or Live).
- Change Discrete Analysis to *disabled*.

**Note:** Changing the MCA Preset settings will clear the current data and analysis results to avoid timing discrepancies when new presets are entered.

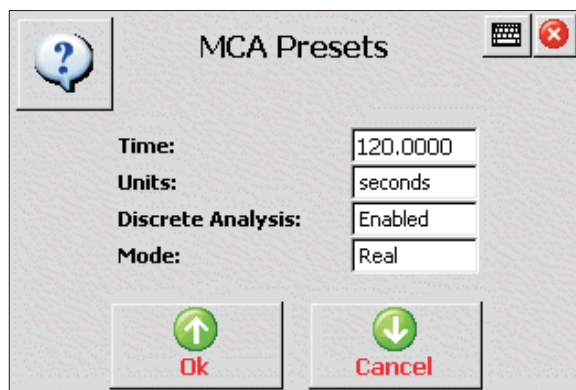


Figure 28 MCA Presets



## 7. Spectroscopy Tutorials

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This chapter describes the Spectroscopy Mode display and is a quick overview of some of the Mode's functions. See Chapter 8, *Spectroscopy Mode*, for more information.

### Relationship of the InSpector™ to Genie 2000

The Spectroscopy Mode's functions parallel the same functions in the Genie 2000 Spectroscopy Software. For detailed information, please refer to the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual* and the *Genie 2000 Customization Tools Manual*. Both are included as PDF files on your Genie 2000 CD-ROM.

### Spectral Data Conventions

Canberra's MCAs manage two types of spectra: data currently being acquired (a "live" spectrum) and data loaded from a file (a saved spectrum acquired at an earlier time). Any spectroscopy function affecting the data of one type will not affect the data of the other type.

### Memory Resident Files

Several of the Spectroscopy Mode's functions require choosing a file resident in the InSpector's memory as the current file, the one to be used for that function. The Maintenance Utility's Send command (page 125) transfers files from your PC to the InSpector.

### The Currently Loaded File

When a file selection dialog is opened, the first file in the list will be highlighted unless another file has previously been selected. In that case, the highlight will be on the name of the current file and an asterisk (\*) will be added at the right end of the file name's line.

To select a different file, move the highlight through the list. The asterisk will remain with the name of the current file. When another file is selected (by pressing Enter), the asterisk will move to that selected file's name.

The asterisk will be removed, however, if:

- An energy calibration is performed on the current file.
- One or more ROIs are cleared from the current file.
- The file is no longer available; for instance, if the current file has been deleted.

## Screen Layout

There are several parts to the Spectroscopy display: the Data Line, the Spectral Display Area, the Information Pages and the Status Line (Figure 29).

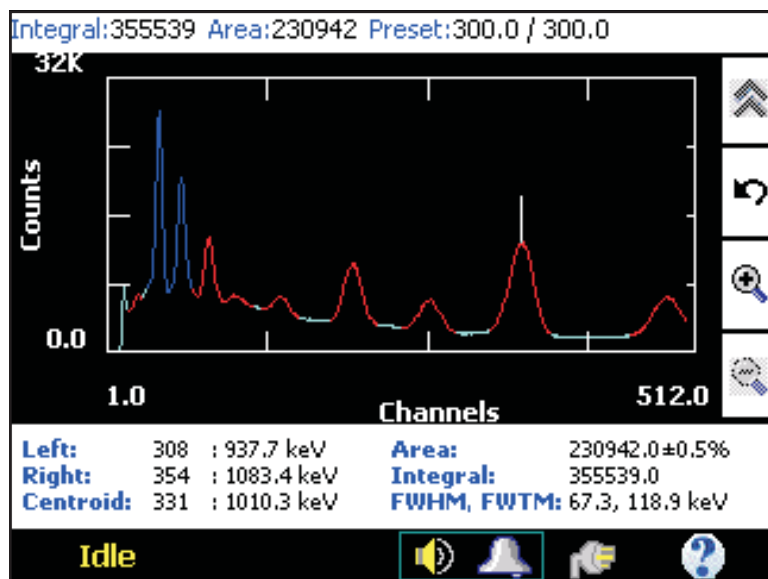


Figure 29 The InSpector's Screen

## The Data Line

The Data Line, at the top of the screen, has two display modes. If there are ROIs in the spectrum *and* the cursor is in an ROI, you'll be able to toggle between either of the two modes.

### Cursor Mode

If the cursor is not in an ROI, or there are no ROIs in the spectrum, the Data Line will display only:

- The number of the current **Channel**, the one the cursor is in, in terms of both its channel number and its energy in keV.
- The **Counts** at that position.
- The **Preset** values for the preset's setting and the elapsed preset time.

### ROI Mode (Shown in Figure 29)

If the cursor is in an ROI, select the Down Arrow key to see:

- The Integral and Area of the current ROI, the one the cursor is in.
- The Preset values for the preset's setting and the actual elapsed preset.

Selecting the Down Arrow key again will change back to the Cursor Mode.

### Indexing the ROIs

When the Data Line is in the ROI Mode, you can Index (jump) from one ROI to another:

- Select the Right Arrow key to move to the next ROI to the right.
- Select the Left Arrow key to move to the next ROI to the left.

## The Spectral Display





This area, in the middle of the display, shows the spectral data. Optional display configurations are covered in Settings (page 87).

Frequently, there are ROIs (regions of interest) in a spectrum, as seen in Figure 29. ROIs that have been associated with a nuclide are blue; ROIs that contain an unidentified peak are red.

Note: If you run an ASF, such as “GammaGuru”, that does not locate unidentified peaks, no peaks will be marked in red.

## The Toolbar

If enabled (page 90), a toolbar will be seen on the right side of the Spectral Display. A Zoomed in display includes the data around cursor. The toolbar's tools are:

- Change the maximum y-axis scale. 
- Enable or disable Autoscale. 
- Zoom in. 
- Zoom out. 

## The Information Pages

User selectable data about the current spectrum can be displayed below the spectrum in an information page (page 83).

### Changing the Information Page



Touch the Information Page area to toggle through the pages, one by one.

## The Status Line




The Status Line at the bottom of the screen (Figure 30) displays several status indicators:



Figure 30 The Status Bar

- The current instrument status: Idle, Acquiring, High Field, Stabilized, Hold, No Probe or ERROR.
- The current analysis status: Analyzing or ERROR.
- The audio icons disable/enable an active Annunciator or Alarm/Warning audio output.
  - ▶ The Annunciator output is active only if the Annunciator (page 21) has been enabled. Selecting the audio icons  will turn the Annunciator audio off and put a red X through the Annunciator icon. 
  - ▶ If any enabled Warning or Alarm threshold is exceeded (page 102), its programmed sound (page 110) will be heard.

### Turning Off the Audio Alerts

- ▶ Selecting the audio icons a second time will turn the Alarms audio off and put a red X through the Alarms icon. 
  - ▶ Select the icons again to re-enable the first audio output, and a second time to re-enable the second audio output.
  - ▶ If the Annunciator has not been enabled, its icon will always be disabled. Only the Alarms icon can be toggled between on and off.
- There are two power icons: One  shows that the InSpector is using an external power source; the other shows that the internal battery  is powering the unit, and shows the battery charge remaining.

- A Help icon.  Select this button to display the help screen for the current Mode or dialog screen.

## Error Messages

If a red **NO PROBE** appears in the status line, you must connect a probe to the In-Spector before you can acquire data in the NID or Spec Modes.

If a red **ERROR** appears in the status line, there is an acquisition or analysis fault. Select the word “error” to open a text window describing the error (Figure 31).

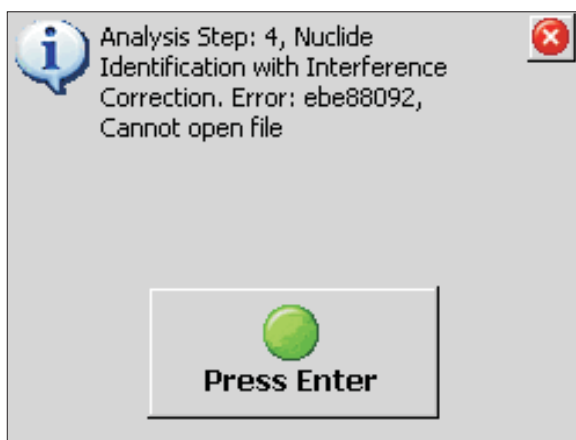
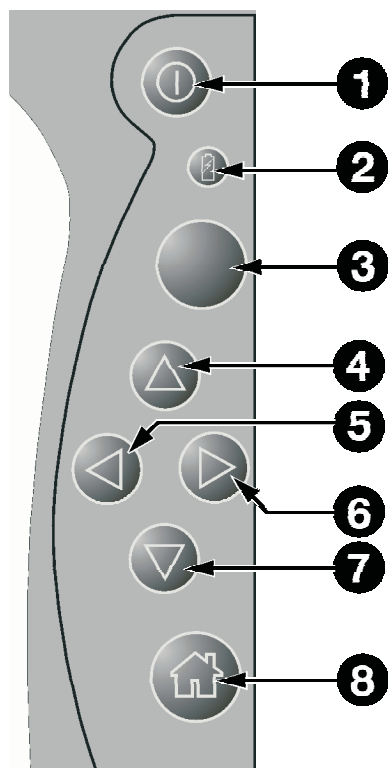


Figure 31 An Example of an Error Message

## Navigation

There are two ways to navigate around the InSpector 1000's menus and functions: by the hard keys to the left of the display or by the soft buttons on the display.

### Hard Keys



1. **Power** – Turns the InSpector On/Off.
2. **Charge** – Light whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter:** – In a menu, executes the current soft key's function; when not in a menu, Starts or Stops data acquisition.
4. **Up** – Enters the main menu; in the menu, goes to the next submenu.
5. **Left** – In the menu, moves left through the menu; in the Cursor Mode (page 34), moves the plot cursor left; in the ROI Mode, jumps one ROI to the left.
6. **Right** – In the menu, moves right through the menu; in the Cursor Mode, moves the plot cursor right; in the ROI Mode, jumps one ROI to the right.
7. **Down** – In the menu, goes to the previous menu level; if no previous level, exits the menu. In the spectrum, toggles the data line between Cursor Mode and ROI Mode.
8. **Home** – In the menu, exits the menu; otherwise, changes the display to the "Home Mode" selected in Instrument Setup (page 109). In a list box, closes the box.

### Soft Buttons

The touchscreen allows both coarse control and fine control.

- Touch a soft button on the screen to select that button's function.
- Touch the screen to position the cursor approximately in the spectrum.
- For fine control, use a stylus or your fingernail.

### Moving the Spectrum's Cursor

Touching the screen will move the Spec Mode's spectrum cursor to an approximate location. Then it can be moved more precisely with the front panel Left Arrow and Right Arrow keys.

## Accessing the Menus

You can move through the menus by:

- Selecting the screen soft buttons,
- Using the arrow hard keys.

For example, selecting the Up Arrow hard key shows you the first level menu with its four soft buttons (Figure 32).



Figure 32 The First Level Menu

- The upward-pointing  $\Delta$  triangle on the **SPEC** soft button indicates that there is another menu level associated with the button.
- Select the **SPEC** button to see its next menu level. Figure 33 shows that each of the first three menu buttons has another menu level.

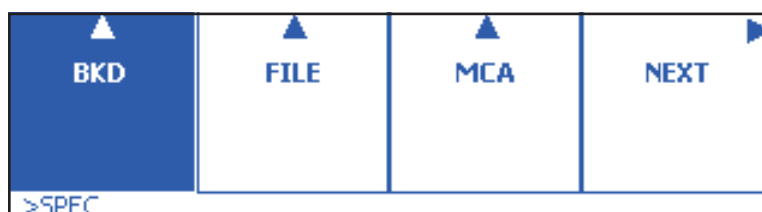


Figure 33 The Spectroscopy Menu

- The last button has a right-pointing  $\triangleright$  arrow, showing that there is at least one more set of buttons at this level.

- The area just below the menu displays the path you've followed to get to this point. In this example, you can see that you have gotten here by having selected **SPEC**.
- If you want to set the MCA's preset parameters, select the **MCA** button in the first spectroscopy menu level (Figure 34.)



Figure 34 The MCA Menu

- In the next menu level, select Preset Time (Figure 35).

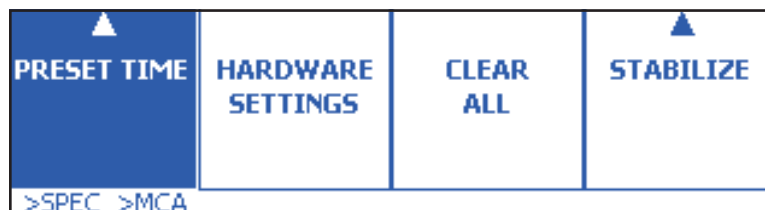




Figure 35 Preset Time Menu

- This will open the MCA Presets dialog (Figure 36).



## How to Navigate a Parameters Dialog

To navigate a Parameters Dialog, such as MCA Presets (Figure 36):

- Select the **Enter** key to move the highlight to the first text box, Time.
- Each time you select the **Enter** key, the highlight will move down one text box at a time, then to the soft buttons, then back to the top of the dialog.
- To cancel a dialog box without saving any changes, select the **Home** key, the Cancel button, or the red  in the upper right corner of the dialog.
- Select the  icon in the upper left corner to display the help screen for the current dialog.

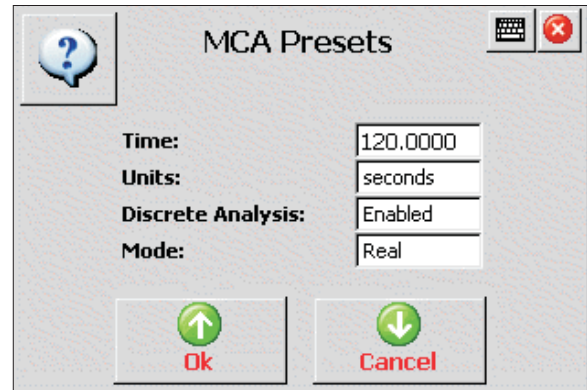



Figure 36 A Typical Parameters Dialog

## Changing a Numeric Parameter

- Move the highlight to a numeric text box (for instance, Time). Only the first digit is highlighted, showing that this is a numeric parameter.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to increase/decrease the value of the highlighted digit.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move forward/back through the digits.
- Repeatedly select the **Enter** key until the Ok and Cancel buttons are highlighted, then select the Up Arrow (Ok) to apply the change.

**Note:** If you enter an invalid value, the system will change it to the closest valid value when you select Enter.

## The Virtual Keyboard

Numeric parameters can also be changed by selecting the virtual keyboard icon  in the upper right corner of the screen. Using a stylus (or a fingernail):

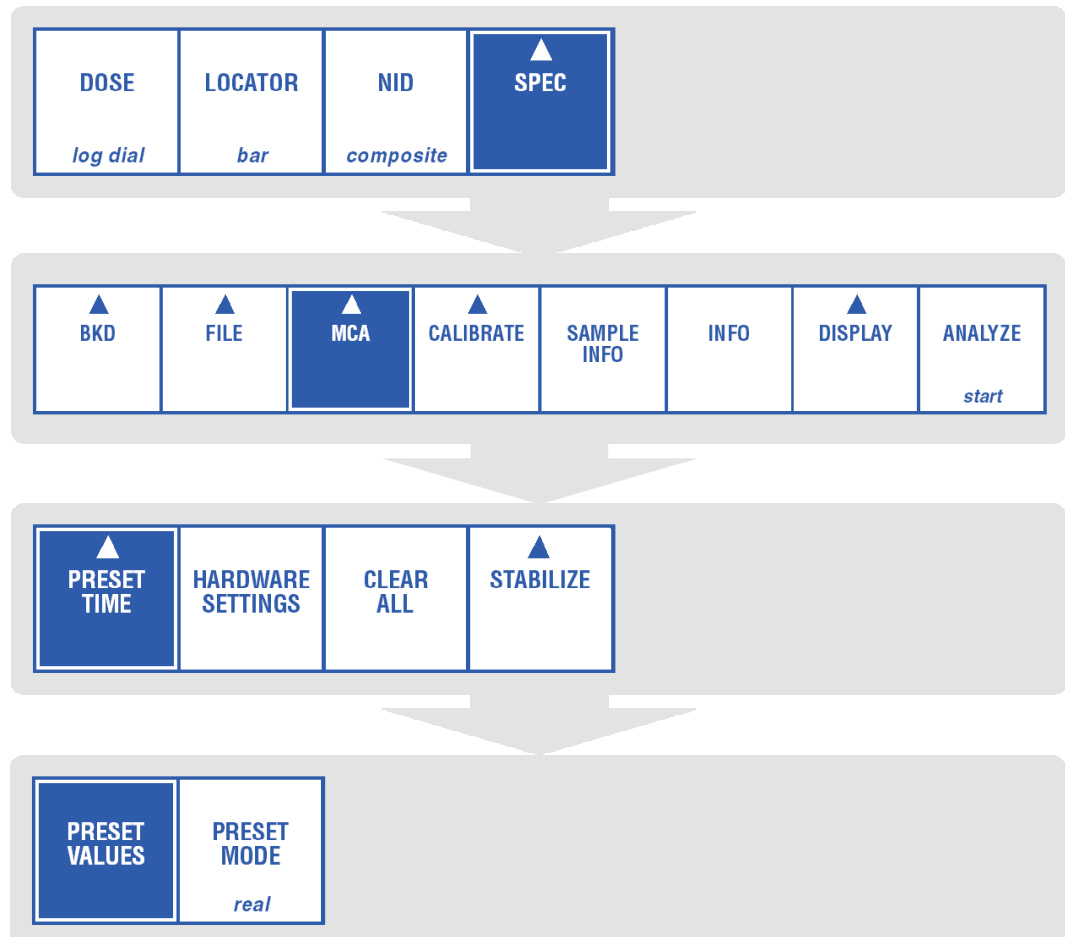
- Select the left or right arrow key in the lower right corner of the keyboard to position the highlight.
- Select a digit, 0–9, to change the digit's value.
- Select an arrow key to move to the next position to be changed.
- To correct an error, use the backspace key to delete the character to the left of the cursor.
- When done, select the keyboard icon to close the keyboard.

## Changing a List Parameter

- Move the highlight to a serial selection text box, such as Mode. The entire parameter is highlighted, showing that this is a list parameter.
- Select the Up or Down Arrow key to move through the parameter list. For Mode, for instance, the selections are Real, Live and Continuous.
- When the parameter has been selected, repeatedly select the **Enter** key until the Ok and Cancel buttons are highlighted, then select the Up Arrow (Ok) to apply the change.

## How to Verify Spectroscopy Parameters

Before you start acquiring data, you might want to check the Preset Time parameter. Select the Up Arrow, then select:



Note: To show you all items at the same menu level, the “Next” and “Previous” buttons are omitted from these illustrations, a convention used throughout this manual.

### Preset Values

When you select the Preset Values button, the MCA Presets dialog (Figure 37), which lets you verify or modify the preset time parameters, will be seen.

- Time – The amount of time in the selected Units to pass before acquisition ends.
- Units – The preset's time units.
- Mode – Live time, Real time or Continuous acquisition.

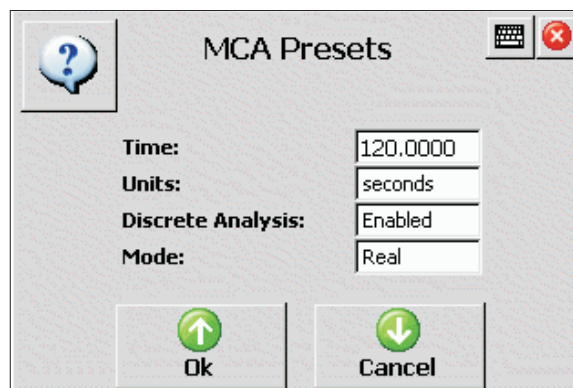


Figure 37 Preset Values

## How to Collect a Spectrum

- To acquire a spectrum, you must first attach the InSpector's cables (page 156) and a probe.
- Then select the **Enter** key. Data acquisition will start, using the parameters entered via the Spectroscopy Mode's menus (Chapter 8).

## How to Save a Spectrum

When the spectrum has been acquired, select the keyboard's **Enter** key to Save the data or Acquire new/more data.

- Save – Saves the current data to a file.
- Acquire – Follow the on-screen prompts to perform one of several data acquisition options. If you Extend the acquisition, the original amount of acquisition time will be used.

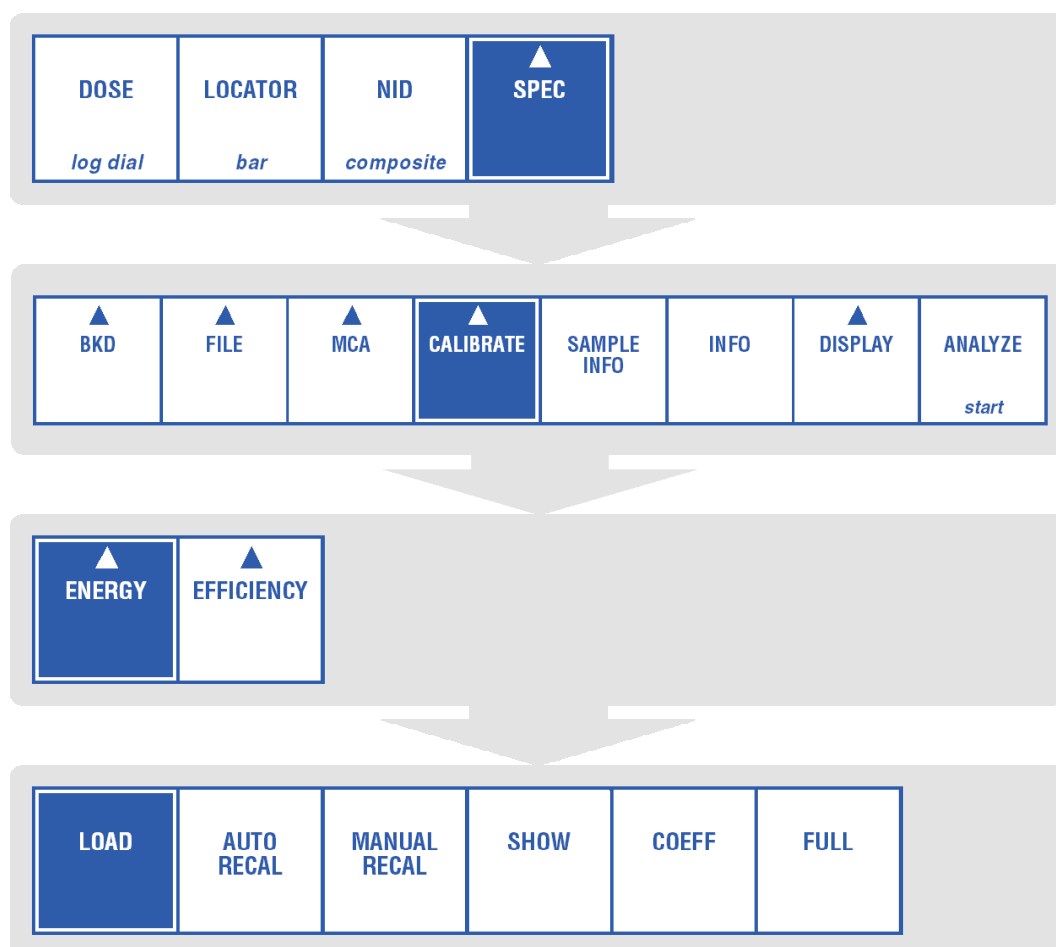
## How to Load a Calibration File

The InSpector lets you Load a memory-resident (already downloaded) Energy or Efficiency Calibration file for current use.

Since the InSpector can have several calibration (CAL) files resident in memory, you need to specify which one is to be used, using the Load command.

To illustrate, we'll load an Energy Calibration file. Loading an Efficiency Calibration file is a similar process.

To load an Energy Calibration file, select the Up Arrow, then select:



The InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from. To illustrate a typical file list, Figure 38 shows the energy calibration files for some probe types. You don't need to select one of these files; the InSpector automatically uses the correct one.

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

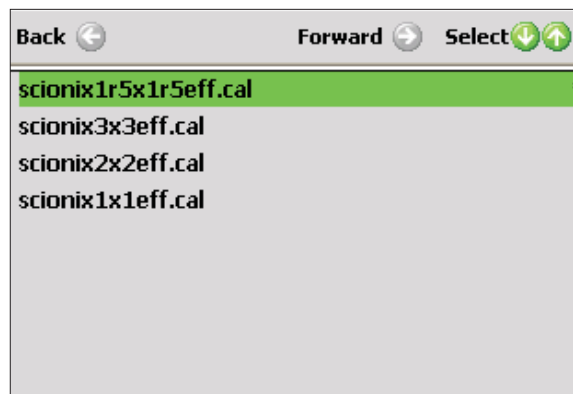


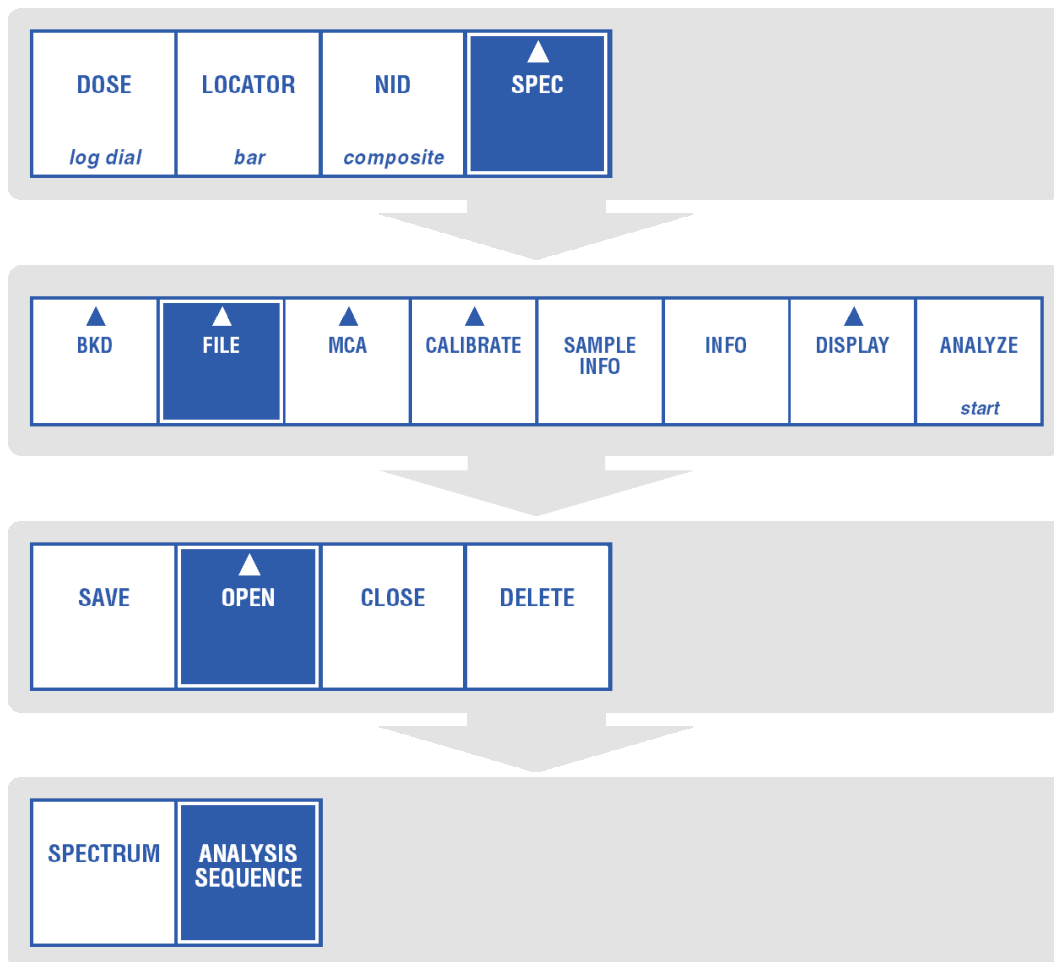
Figure 38 Illustration of a File List

## Working With ROIs

An ROI is a region of interest, usually marking a photopeak. There are two ways to enter ROIs in your spectrum: you can run an analysis (ASF) routine containing Peak Locate and Peak Analysis algorithms or you can load an existing ROI file.

## Creating ROIs With an Analysis Routine

To create ROIs in the current spectrum via an analysis sequence (ASF) file, you have to open an analysis sequence file. Select the Up Arrow, then select:



The InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from (Figure 39).

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

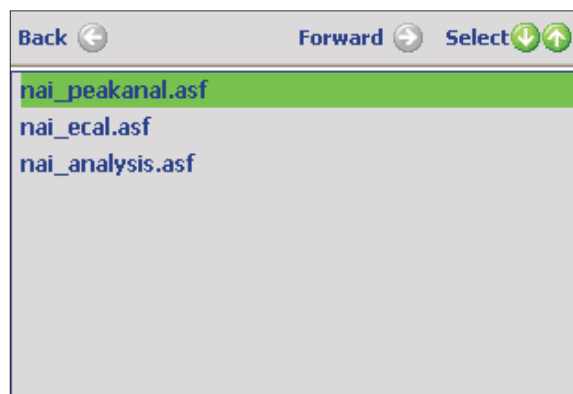
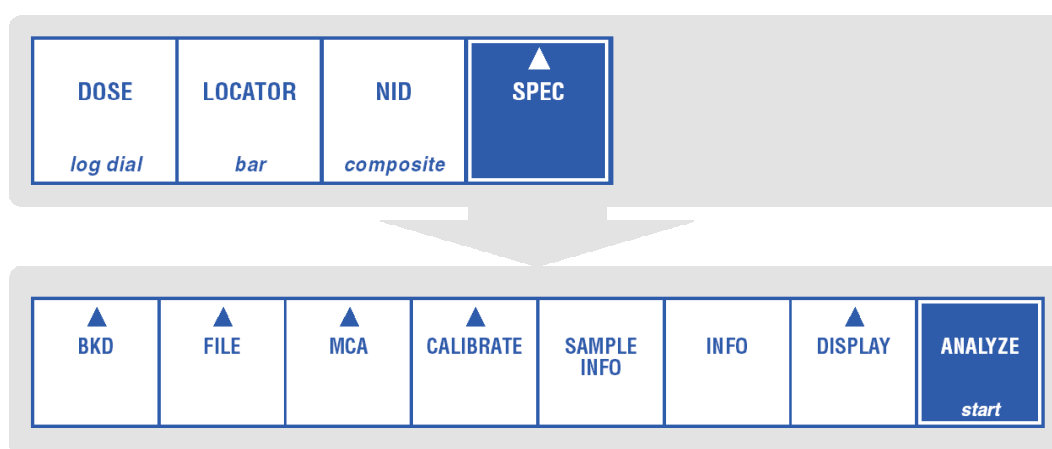


Figure 39 An ASF File List

### Starting the Analysis Sequence

Now select the Up Arrow again and select:



The analysis sequence file you loaded will be executed and all found peaks will have ROIs entered around them.



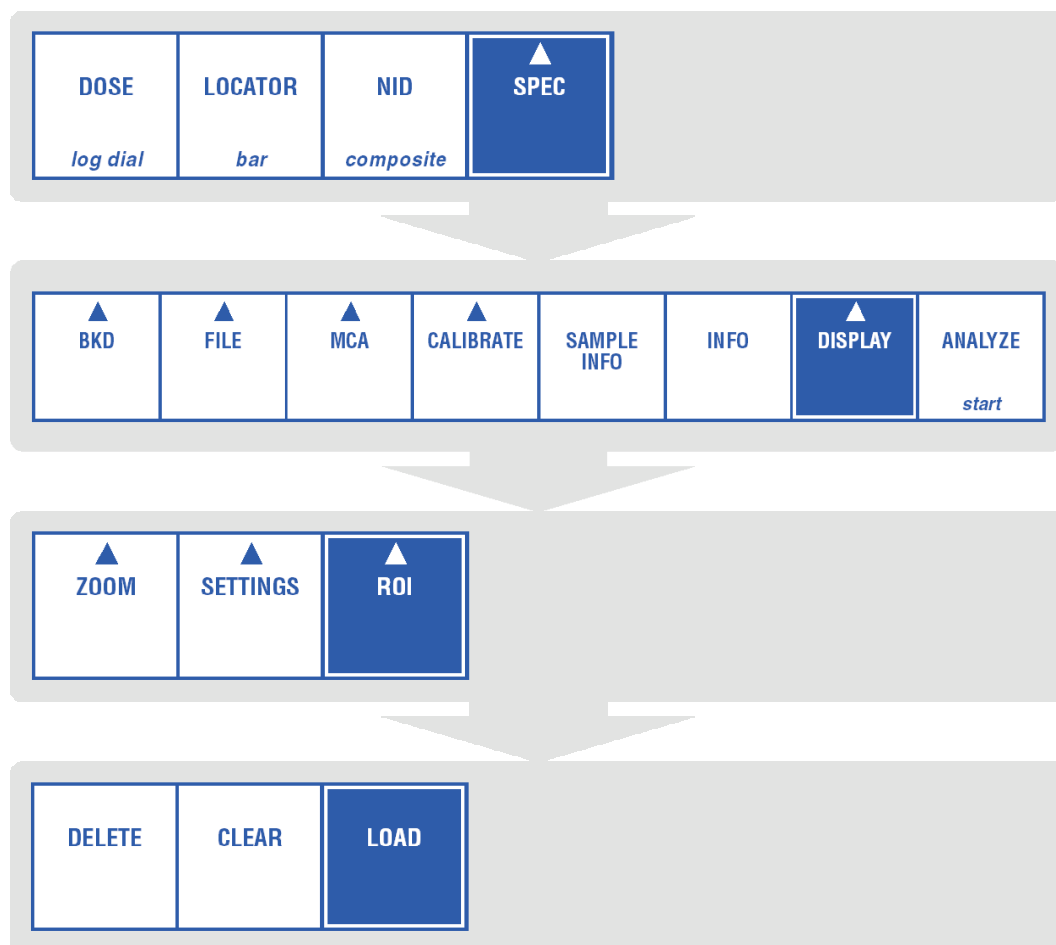
Note: The analysis may take some time to complete, depending on the number and complexity of its steps.

### Color of the ROIs

The analysis routine will mark each found peak with an ROI (region of interest). Peaks associated with an identified nuclide will be marked with a **blue ROI**. Peaks that cannot be identified will be marked with a **red ROI**.

### Loading ROIs From an ROI File

ROIs can be added to a spectrum by loading an ROI (region of interest) file. To load the ROIs, select the Up Arrow, then select:



The InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from (Figure 40).

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

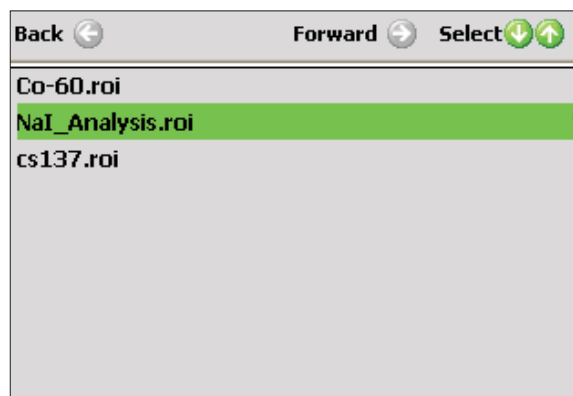


Figure 40 An ROI File List

Note: If ROIs loaded from a file are present in a spectrum, they will prevent the display of ROIs generated from an analysis routine. Clearing the loaded ROIs will allow the generated ROIs to be displayed.

### Deleting One ROI

Select **Delete** to remove the current ROI, the one with the cursor in it, from the display. The ROI's data will not be changed.

### Clearing All ROIs

Select **Clear** to remove all ROIs from the spectrum. The ROIs' data will not be changed.

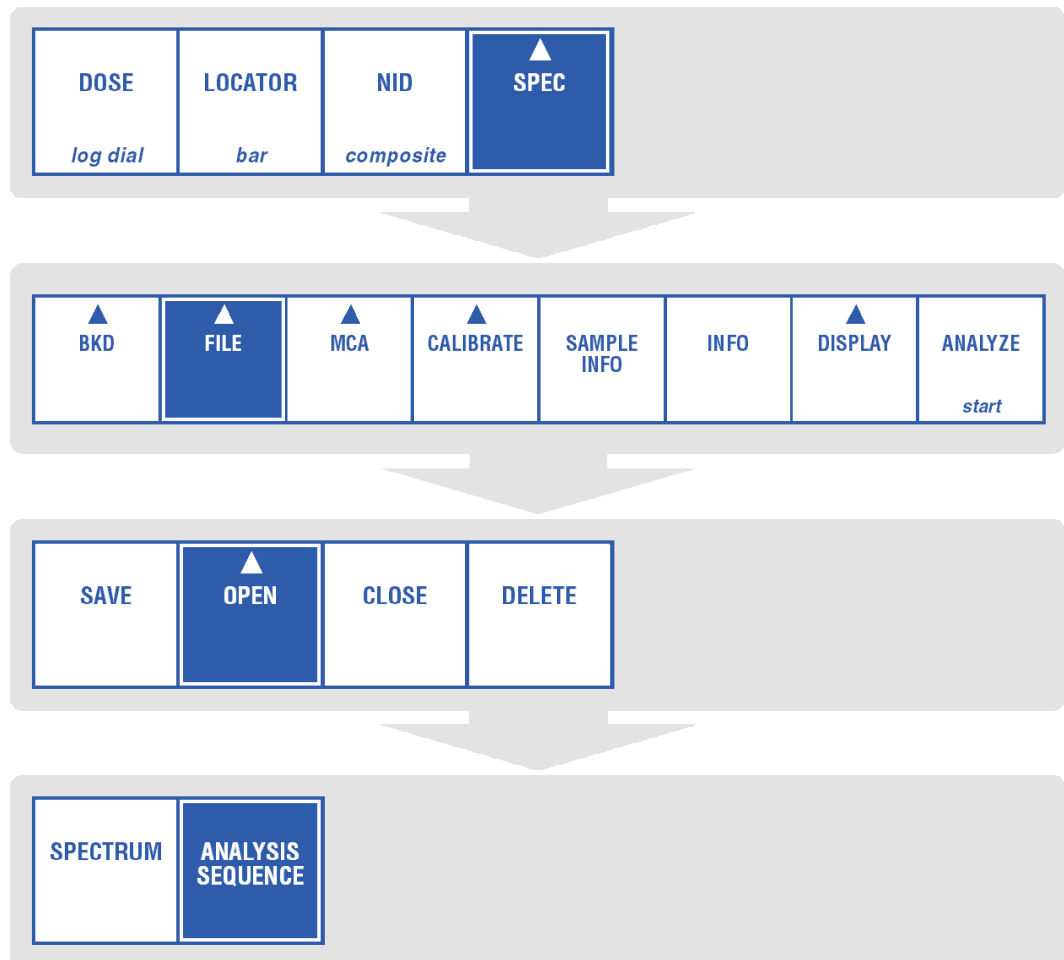
## How to Analyze a Spectrum

Spectrum analysis is performed by an analysis sequence file (ASF). The InSpector always has at least one ASF loaded

### How to Select a Different Sequence File

Since the InSpector can include several ASF files, there may be a time when you need to change the one being used.

To load another ASF, select the **Up Arrow**, then select:



The InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from (Figure 41).

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

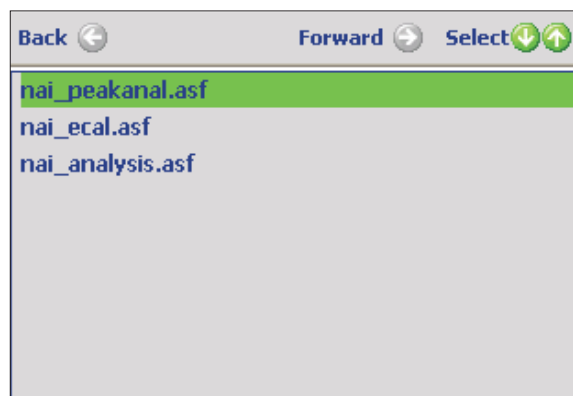
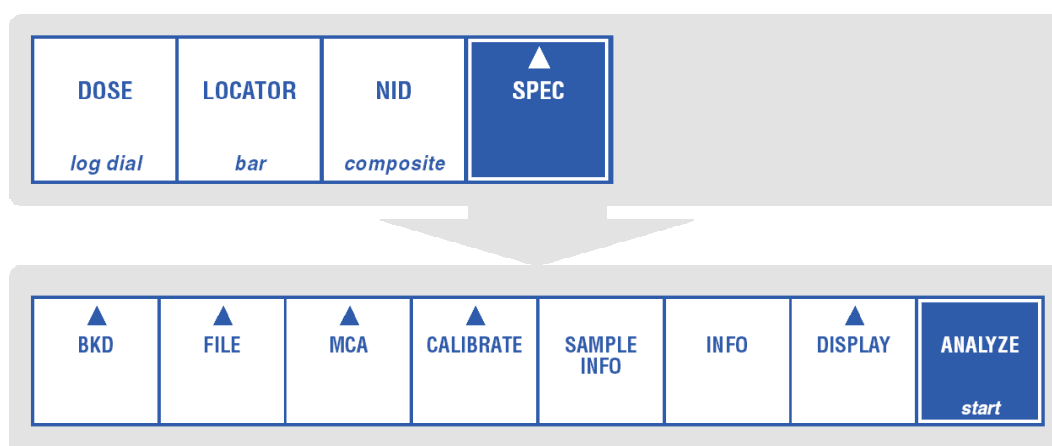


Figure 41 A Typical ASF File List

## How to Start the Analysis

With a spectrum present on the screen, select the Up Arrow, then select:

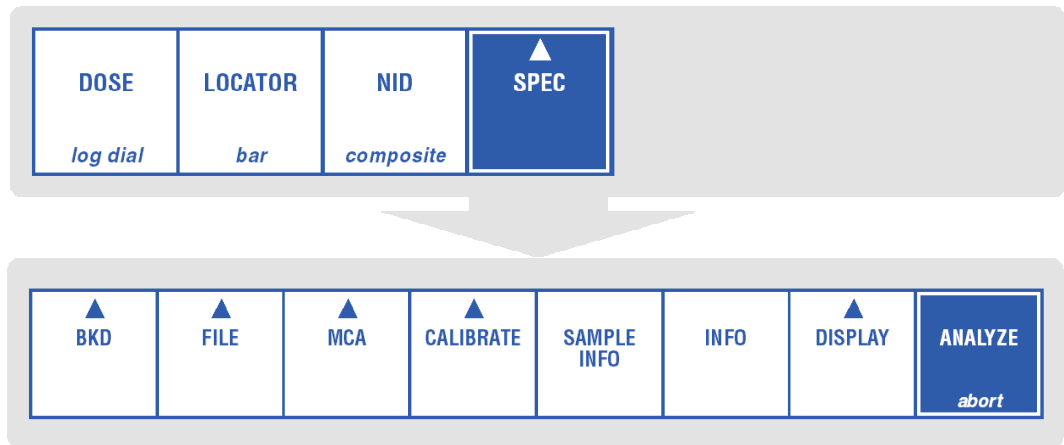


The spectrum will be analyzed according to the instructions in the currently selected ASF.

During an acquisition and analysis, you can switch to NID mode in order to view the existing NID results which are updated as soon as the latest analysis sequence has finished execution.

## How to Stop the Analysis

When the Analyze button is selected, its legend changes from *start* to *abort*. So to stop an executing analysis, all you have to do is select the Analyze button again. The analysis will stop.

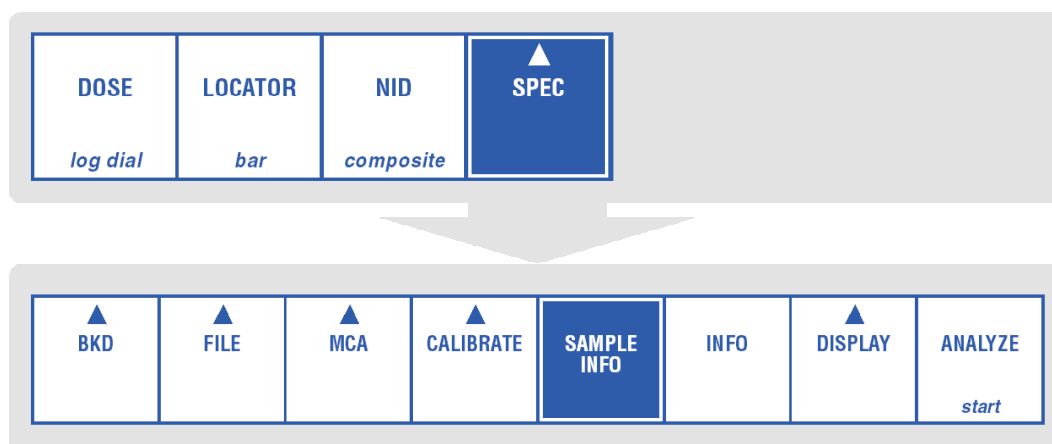


## How to Use Sample Info

The Sample Information dialog lets you add identifying data for the current sample for inclusion in reports.

### Entering Sample Information

To enter sample information for the current spectrum, select:



The Sample Info dialog (Figure 42) will open, allowing you to type in the sample information. The data you enter will remain in memory until the InSpector is switched off and will be included each time you Save a spectrum (page 63).

The screenshot shows a 'Sample Information' dialog box with a question mark icon in the top left corner. It contains four input fields: 'ID' with the placeholder text 'Enter ID', 'Quantity' with the value '123', 'Collector Name' with the placeholder text 'Collector's name', and 'Location' with the placeholder text 'Collected at'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Ok' with an upward arrow icon and 'Cancel' with a downward arrow icon.

Figure 42 Example Sample Information

- **ID** is a sample identification of your choice.
- **Quantity** lets you enter the sample's quantity. Calculated activities are divided by this value, so that if the quantity is set to 1 (the default), total activity is reported. If any other value is entered, concentration is reported.
- **Collector Name** lets you enter the name of the person who collected the sample.
- **Location** is a description of the place where the sample was collected.

## Transferring the Spectrum

Use the Maintenance Utility's Get function (page 127) to copy the current spectrum to the *In1kname* folder on your PC\*, where *name* is the Instrument ID assigned on the General page of the Configuration Editor (page 141) or during a software update.

### File Naming Convention

The file's name will be *filename.cnf*, where *filename* is the date and time of the file's creation: YYYYMMDDHHMMSS.cnf (Year, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, Second).

## Creating the Report in Genie 2000

To create the Example Report shown on page 57 from the transferred spectrum file:

- In Genie 2000, select **File | Open**, then select *filename.cnf* to open the file you transferred.
- Now select **Analyze | Reporting | Standard** to open the Standard Report Setup dialog (Figure 43) and select the parameters for generating the report.

### Template Name

Scroll down the Template Name list to find and select the **1page.tpl** report template.

### Section Name

Scroll down the Section Name list to find and select the **1page** report section.

### The Activity Units

- Activity is reported in microcuries by default. (The Activity Units field is **uCi** and the Multiplier is **1**).
- If you want to use another Activity Unit, you'll have to supply a Multiplier to convert the activity from microcuries to your unit.

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\* The standard path for this folder is in C:\Genie2k\Camfiles. If you didn't select the Standard installation for Genie 2000, your path will be different.

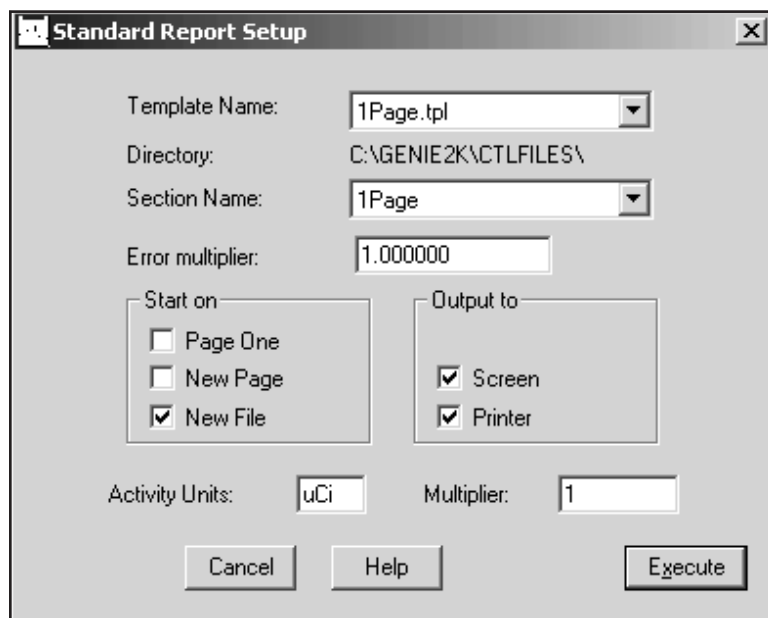


Figure 43 Selecting the Report's Parameters

- For instance, if you want the activity to be reported in bequerels:
  - ▶ Type Bq in the Activity Units field.
  - ▶ Type 37000 in the Multiplier field.

### The “Output to” Checkboxes

Genie 2000 provides two outputs for a report. You can select either or both of their checkboxes.

- Check **Screen** to display the report in Genie 2000's Report window *and* file it as C:\Genie2k\Repfiles\filename.rpt, where filename is the name of the currently opened spectrum file.
- Check **Printer** to send the report to your computer's default printer.

### Create the Report

Click the **Execute** button to generate the report. An example of a report created by the 1page.tpl Template you chose in Figure 43 is shown on page 57.



## Example Report

Interference Corrected Activity Report      3/09/2004   11:46:04      Page 1

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 \*\*\*\*\* N U C L I D E   I D E N T I F I C A T I O N   R E P O R T   \*\*\*\*\*  
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Filename: C:\GENIE2K\CAMFILES\02047924\20040903114041.cnf

Sample Title                               : InSpector 1000 spectrum  
 Sample Identification                    : Enter ID  
 Sample Size                               : 1.2300E+02  
 Operator Name                             : Collector's name  
 Location                                  : Collected at

Acquisition Started, detector       : 3/09/2004   10:53:50       ,       Scionix2x2  
 Live Time, Dead time                :           192.5 seconds,       0.41 %

Analysis Sequence Title                : NaI Analysis  
 Identification Energy Tolerance       :       0.250 FWHM  
 Env. Background File                  :       <not performed>  
 Nuclide ID Library Used               : \GENIECE\CAMFILES\NaI\_ANSI\_4.NLB  
 Efficiency ID                          : POINT\_@1M\_1G/CC

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 \*\*\*\*\* I N T E R F E R E N C E   C O R R E C T E D   R E P O R T   \*\*\*\*\*  
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Nuclide Name	Nuclide Id Confidence	Wt mean Activity (Bq /S. Size)	Wt mean Activity Uncertainty	Wt mean Activity Uncertainty%
K-40	0.982	2.206E+04	2.933E+03	13.30
Cs-137	0.990	2.442E+05	7.025E+03	2.88

? = nuclide is part of an undetermined solution

X = nuclide rejected by the interference analysis

@ = nuclide contains energy lines not used in Weighted Mean Activity

Uncertainty quoted at 1.000 sigma

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Peak No.	Energy (keV)	Peak Size in Counts per Second	Peak CPS % Uncertainty
F 1	73.97	3.692E+00	16.28
F 2	435.76	1.128E+01	5.36

M = First peak in a multiplet region

m = Other peak in a multiplet region

F = Fitted singlet

## 8. Spectroscopy Mode

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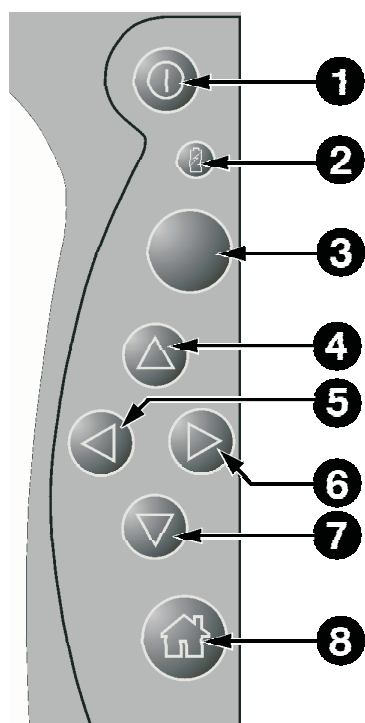
The Spectroscopy Mode lets you acquire and display data and analyze either the current spectrum or a spectrum file.

The Spectroscopy Mode functions of the InSpector™ parallel the same functions in the Genie 2000 Spectroscopy Software. For detailed information, please refer to the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual* and the *Genie 2000 Customization Tools Manual*. Both are included as PDF files on your Genie 2000 CD-ROM.

### Memory Resident Files

Several of the InSpector's functions require choosing a file resident in the InSpector's memory as the current file, the one to be used for that function. The Maintenance Utility's Send command (page 125) transfers files from your PC to the InSpector's memory.

### Hard Key Functions



1. **Power:** Turns the InSpector On/Off.
2. **Charge:** Lights whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter:** Starts or Stops an acquisition.
4. **Up:** Enters the main menu; in the menu, goes to the next submenu.
5. **Left:** In the menu, moves left through the menu; in the Cursor Mode (page 34), moves the plot cursor left; in the ROI Mode, jumps one ROI to the left.
6. **Right:** In the menu, moves right through the menu; in the Cursor Mode, moves the plot cursor right; in the ROI Mode, jumps one ROI to the right.
7. **Down:** In the menu, goes to the previous menu level; if no previous level, exits the menu. In the spectrum, toggles the data line between Cursor Mode and the ROI Mode.
8. **Home:** Changes the display to the "Home Mode" selected in Instrument Setup (page 109). In a list box, closes the box.

## Alarms

If the warning and/or alarm thresholds for Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose and/or Neutron Count Rate (page 102) are exceeded, you will be alerted to the condition in several ways.

### Warning Indicator

If the low-level Warning threshold is exceeded, the spectral display's background will alternate between black and gold.

### Alarm Indicator

If the high-level Alarm threshold is exceeded, the spectral display's background will alternate between black and maroon.

## Background Subtraction

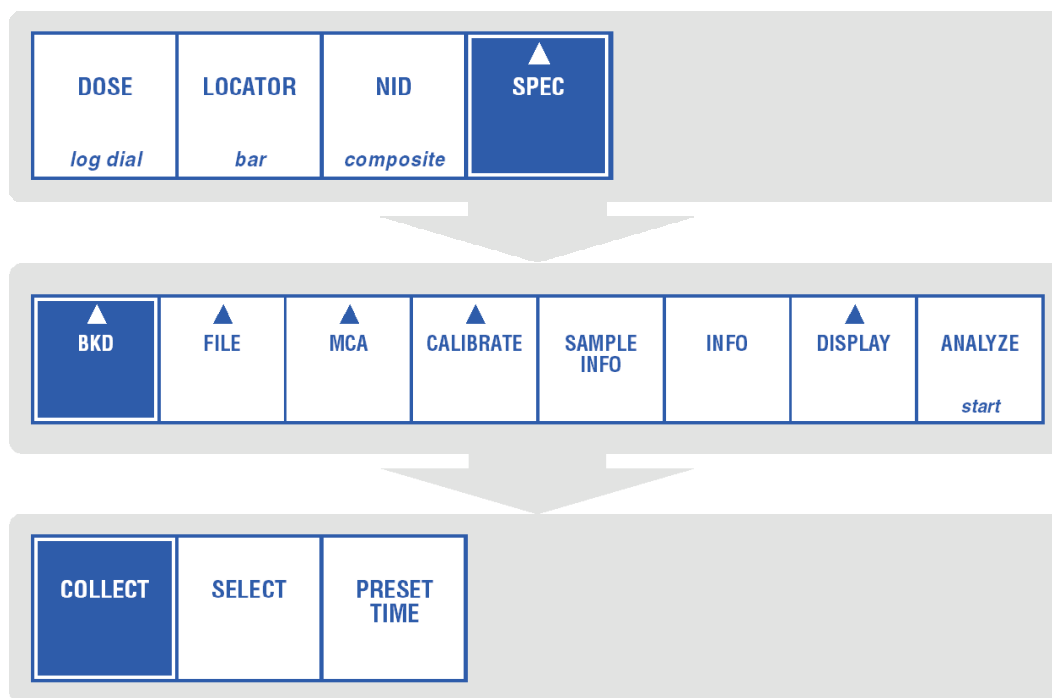
Background Subtraction (BKD) uses a background spectrum file to subtract the environment's background radiation from the current spectrum. This ensures that the current spectrum represents only the radiation being emitted by the suspect source.

The Background Subtraction command (BKD) is available only if the currently loaded Analysis Sequence File (ASF) includes a background subtraction area correction step. You'll have to use the File | Open | Analysis Sequence command (page 63) to load an appropriate ASF file.

Note: BKD is not available for the default LibCorr1.asf file, which includes its own background stripping function.

## Collect

To collect a background spectrum, select:



Then select Ok to start the Background Measurement. The background spectrum will be acquired, then analyzed.

When the background Measurement is complete, press Ok to save the file under the supplied file name.

Note: The Background file name, BYYYYMMDDHHMMSS, specifies the Year, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, and Second the file was created.

## Select

The Select command (Figure 45) lets you select the background file to be subtracted from the current spectrum.

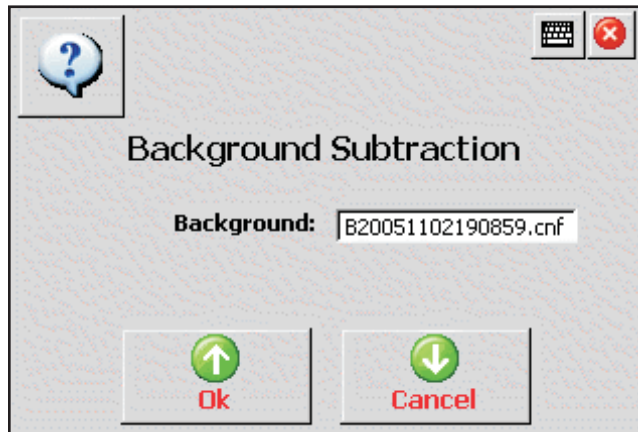


Figure 45 Selecting the Background File

Note: When background subtraction is not wanted, select <None> from the Background list.

## Background Preset

The Background Preset command (Figure 46) lets you assign the preset time for background subtraction counts.

- **Time** – Selects the value of preset time. The combination of Time and Units determines how long data acquisition will continue.
- **Units** – Selects the preset's units of time.

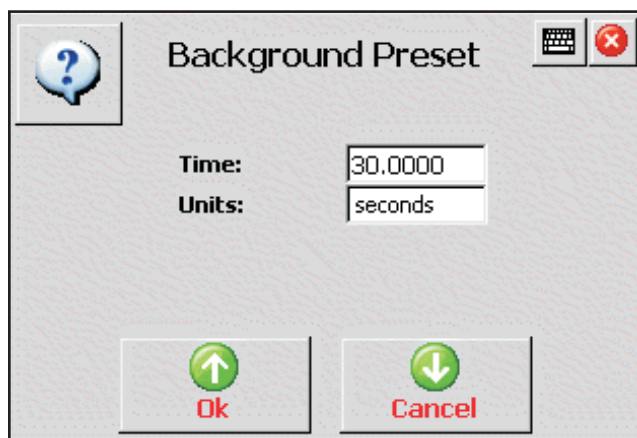
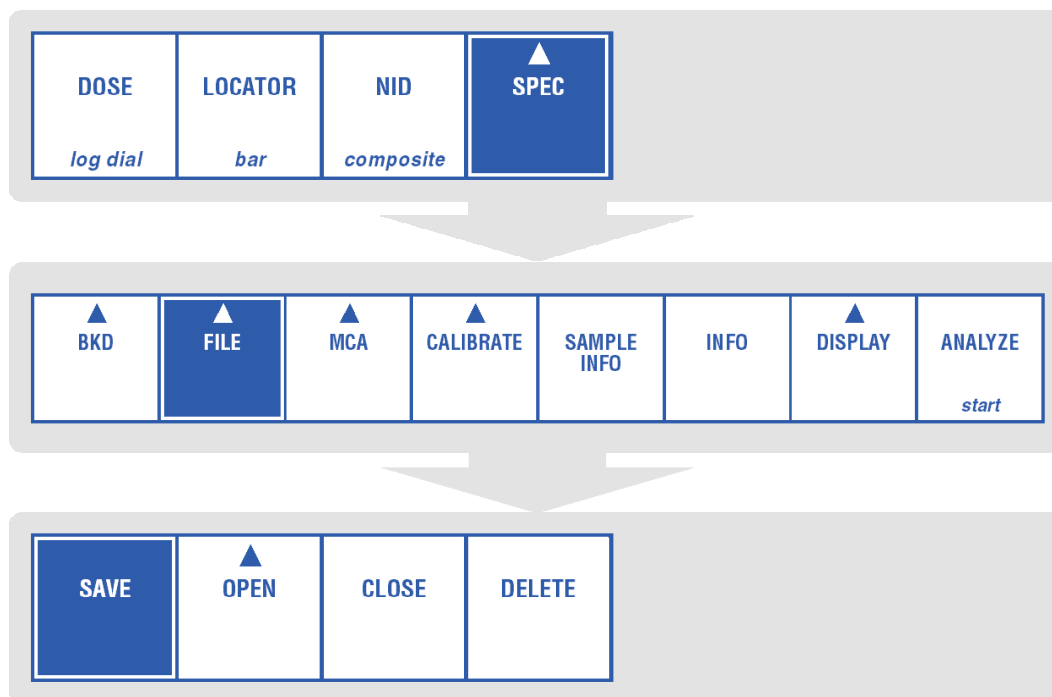


Figure 46 Setting the Background Preset

## File

The File menu is used to Open or Close a file, Save the current file, or Delete it from memory.



## Save

Select **Save** to save the current spectrum to the InSpector's C:\GenieCE\Camfiles directory.

### Spectrum File Name

The file name, YYYYMMDDHHMMSS.cnf, specifies the Year, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, and Second the file was created.

The file will contain the spectrum's raw data, the results, all the current context parameters, based on the current Analysis file, any parameters changed in Setup | Spec Setup (page 107), and the data entered in Sample Info (page 82).

## Open

Select the **Open** button to open a Spectrum (CNF) file or a Sequence (ASF) file already resident in the InSpector's memory.

The Open Spectrum button will not be available if data acquisition is in progress or if a CNF file is already open.

### Spectrum / Analysis Sequence

Whether you choose the Spectrum button or the Analysis Sequence button, the InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from.

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

The file will be opened and displayed. The Status Line (Figure 47) displays the word File to remind you that this is a file, not a live spectrum. When a change has been

made to the file, the File indicator's color will change from cyan to gold, indicating the file's changed status.

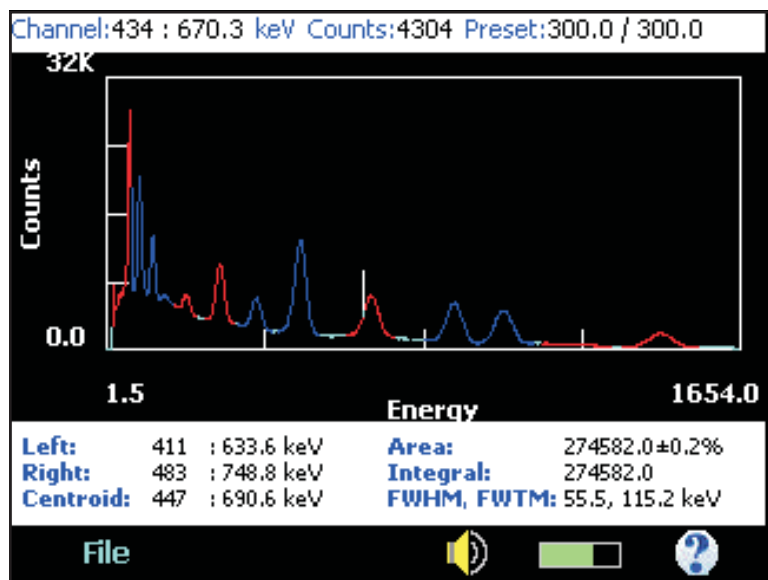


Figure 47 Opened Spectrum File

## Close

Select **Close** to close the spectrum most recently opened from a file. This command is available only if a file has been opened.

Note: An acquired spectrum cannot be closed; you can only Save it.

## Delete

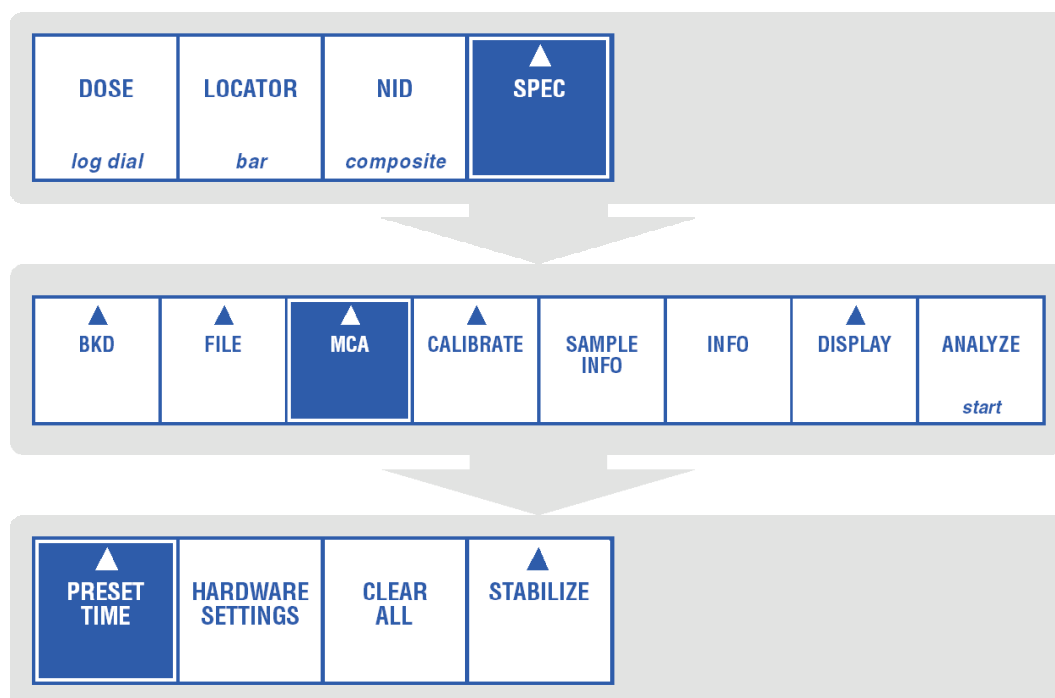
When you choose to **Delete** a file, the InSpector will show you a list of spectrum files to choose from.

- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlight bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to delete the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without deleting a file.



## MCA

The MCA Menu lets you select the Preset Time, change some of the InSpector's settings, clear the display, and use the instrument's Stabilizer.



## Preset Time

The **Preset Time** command lets you define the period of time allowed for data collection.

### Preset Values

The **Preset Values** command (Figure 48) defines the absolute time, the time units and the preset mode.

Note: Changing the MCA Preset settings will clear the current data and analysis results to avoid timing discrepancies when new presets are entered.

If you enter the preset using units other than seconds, the time will be converted to and stored as the equivalent number of seconds when you select Ok.

- **Time** – Selects the value of preset time. The combination of Time and Units determines how long data acquisition will continue.
- **Units** – Selects the preset's units of time.

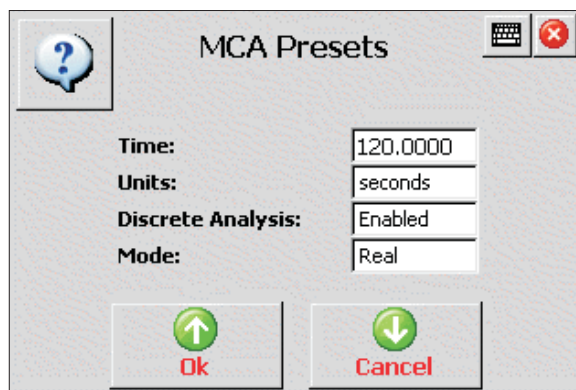


Figure 48 MCA Presets

- **Discrete Analysis** – When both Discrete Analysis and Preset Time are enabled, analysis will not start until data acquisition is complete.
- **Mode** – Selects the mode of operation:
  - ▶ **Real** – Counts to the specified elapsed real time.
  - ▶ **Live** – Counts to the specified elapsed live time.
  - ▶ **Continuous** – Counts until the Enter key is pressed to stop acquisition. When this Mode is selected, the values for Time and Units are ignored.

## Preset Mode

This button gives quick access to the Mode command in MCA Presets. It toggles the preset type between *real*, *live* and *continuous* (defined in the previous paragraphs).

## Hardware Settings

The initial **Hardware Settings** shown in Figure 49 are based on the current probe and on the energy range and memory size (number of channels) set in the MCA Page of the InSpector's Configuration Editor (page 145).

Though you can change the parameters here, it's generally best to leave the high voltage at its default setting for the attached probe and to leave the Coarse and Fine Gain set at 1.

- **High Voltage:** Sets the detector's high voltage. (Not available if a Stabilized Probe is attached to the InSpector.)
- **Coarse Gain:** Sets the amplifier's coarse gain.

- **Fine Gain:** Sets the amplifier's fine gain.
- **ADC Gain:** Sets the ADC's gain.
- **Conv. Gain:** Selects the MCA's conversion gain.
- **LLD:** Adjusts the ADC's LLD threshold; the range is 0–100%.

Note: If the Conv. Gain is adjusted, the relationship between the spectrum's channels and their energy levels will change. To compensate for this effect, you must perform a Manual Recal (page 74) before acquiring new data. Failure to recalibrate will result in invalid sample data.

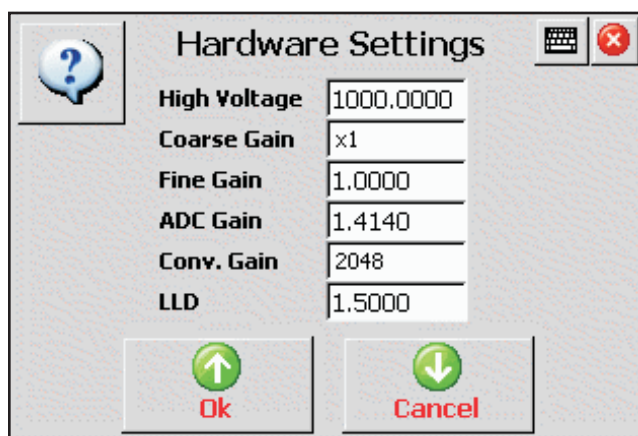


Figure 49 Hardware Settings

## Clear All

Select **Clear All** to remove all spectral data and analysis-generated ROIs from the display.

## Stabilize

In certain circumstances, the energy output of the InSpector's probe can vary (drift), such as in very high count rate environments or if the probe warms or cools with changes in the ambient temperature. In these cases, some type of spectrum stabilization may need to be used.

The InSpector's integrated digital spectrum stabilizer allows for probe stabilization over the full operating temperature range of the instrument. This is an easy-to-use method which allows selection of the stabilization photopeak.

The InSpector achieves stabilization by continuously monitoring an energy “window” set around the selected stabilization peak and adjusting the probe’s high voltage to maintain the peak in the proper position. The optimal width of the energy window is determined automatically by the software.

## Using a Stabilized Probe

The Stabilized Probe is very easy to use. When the InSpector finds a Stabilized Probe connected to its DET connector, it will display a message for about 30 seconds, advising you that the probe is stabilizing (Figure 50).



Figure 50 A NaI Probe is Stabilizing

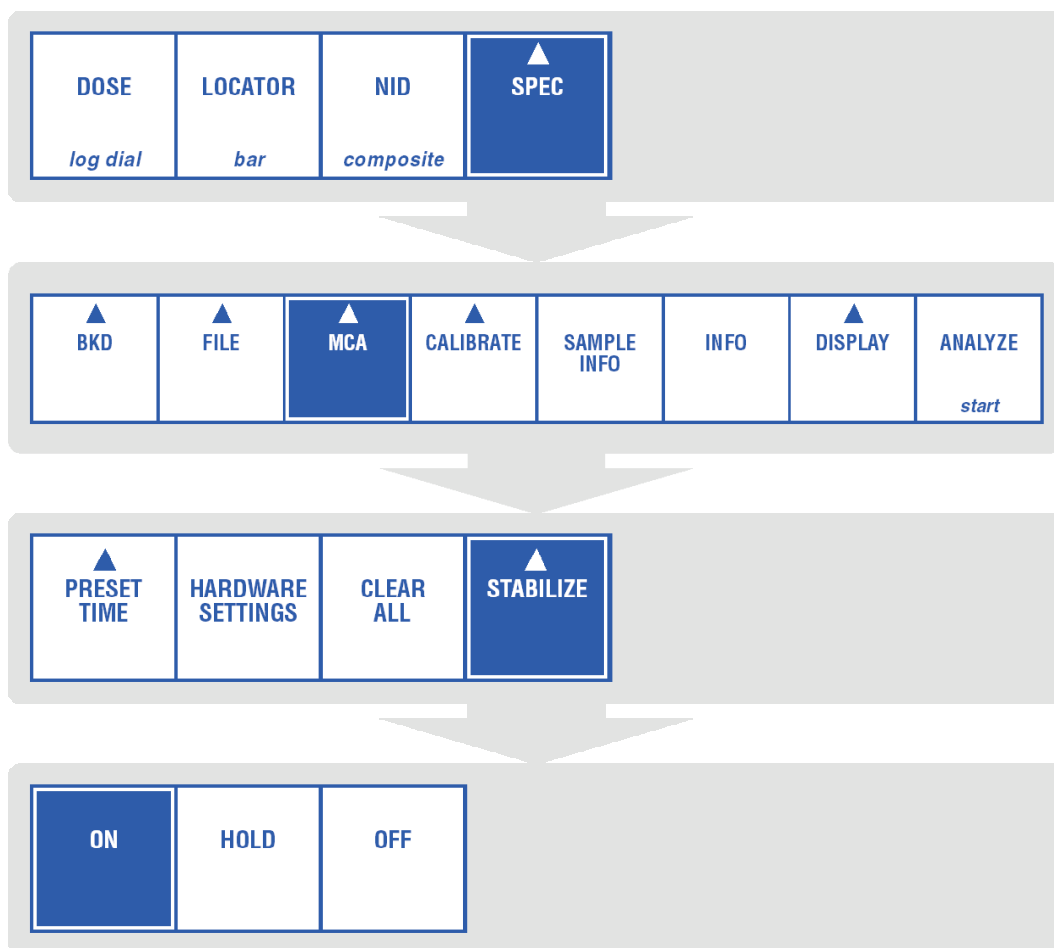
- The blue LED on the probe will blink while stabilization is in process. When stabilization is complete, the LED will glow steadily.
- If stabilization is lost, perhaps due to moving the unit from a warm environment to a cold one (indoors to outdoors), data acquisition will stop and the instrument will restabilize itself (the blue LED will start blinking). When the LED glows steadily, stabilization is complete and acquisition can be restarted.
- If you enter a high radiation area, High Field will be displayed at the bottom of the screen, data acquisition will stop, the probe’s high voltage and its blue LED will be turned off. When you leave the High Field area, the high voltage will be turned on again and the LED will start blinking as the probe begins stabilizing. When the LED glows steadily, stabilization is complete and acquisition can be restarted.

## Using the Stabilize Function

Note: The Stabilize function is available only when one of the standard Gamma Probes is being used. The function is disabled when a Stabilized Probe is attached to the InSpector.

In order to turn on stabilization, you must acquire a spectrum and choose the peak whose position is to be held constant.

1. To start the process, select:



2. The InSpector will ask you to Select the stabilization reference peak in the spectrum (Figure 51), then press the **ENTER** key.



Figure 51 Select the Reference Peak

Note: The selected stabilization peak must always be present and free from interference from nearby peaks while stabilization is on.

3. An ROI will be painted on the peak's stabilization window. The InSpector will ask you to Accept the reference peak by selecting the Up Arrow (Figure 52). Stabilization will start.



Figure 52 Accepting the Stabilizer Peak

The Stabilizer is now On. If you re-enter the Stabilize menu, you'll see that you can choose only Hold or Off.

Stabilization On will automatically be switched to Off:

- If the High Voltage or any of the Gains are manually adjusted.
- If one of the Recal functions is executed.
- If you enter a high dose rate field.
- If you disconnect / connect the probe.

Stabilization Hold will automatically be switched to Off if the high voltage, gain or LLD settings are manually adjusted.

## Calibrate

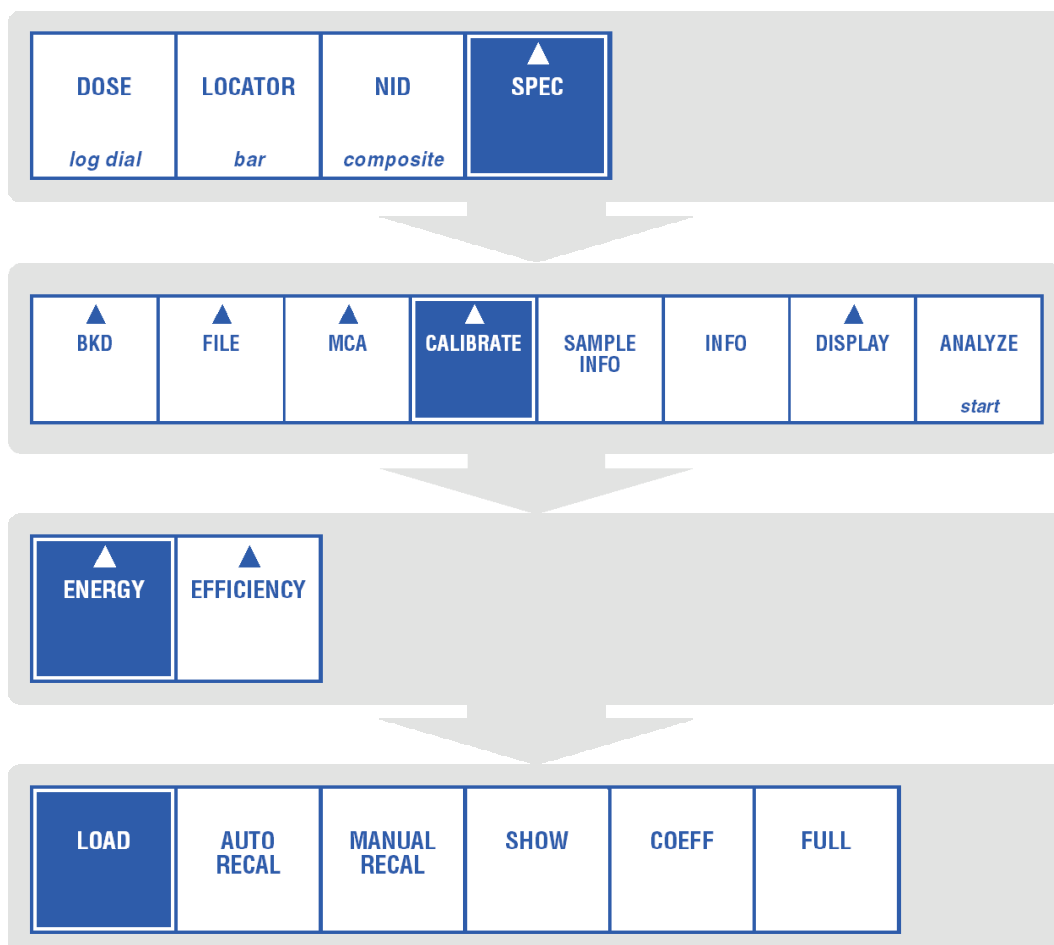
The Calibrate menu offers both Energy and Efficiency calibration.

**Energy Calibration** establishes a relationship between the spectrum's channels and their energy levels. By calibrating at least three peaks over the entire range of the spectrum, the energy of any other peak can be reliably estimated.

**Efficiency Calibration** establishes a relationship between measured count rate and source activity as a function of energy. The efficiency calibration allows us to convert count rates to activities for various source nuclide energies.

## Energy

The Energy Menu command lets you load a memory-resident calibration (CAL) file, recalibrate the InSpector, show a calibration graphically, display and edit the Energy or Shape (FWHM) calibration's coefficients, and perform a full calibration.



## Load

To illustrate a typical file list, Figure 53 shows the energy calibration files for some probe types. You don't need to select one of these files; the InSpector automatically uses the correct one.

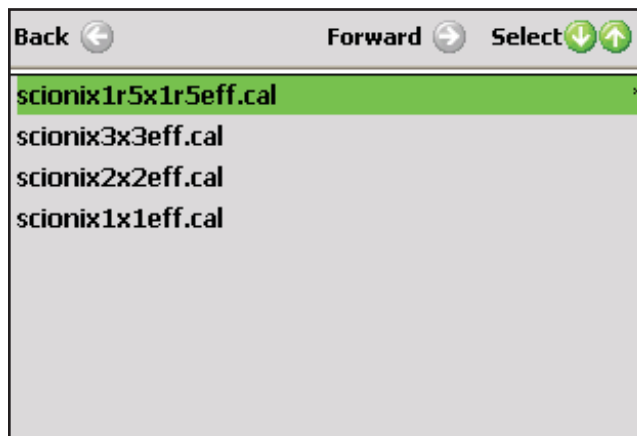


Figure 53 A Typical CAL File List

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

## Recalibrating the InSpector

Some gamma detectors can experience “peak drift” with a change in temperature or due to aging. This is easily compensated for by placing a calibration source in front of the detector and selecting one of the recalibration buttons to correct for the drift.



## Auto Recal

Auto Recal automatically adjusts the probe's gain or high voltage so that the energy calibration is valid, correcting for shifts due to temperature or tube aging. To provide Auto Recal with the best possible data, Auto Recal should always be done in a low background area.

If there are many other peaks in the window due to environmental background, or if the calibration peak has drifted too far from its predicted position, the Auto method may not be able to find the peak. In either case, you should use Manual Recal instead.

1. When you start Auto Recal, you'll be prompted to place a mono-line calibration source (10 to 20 nCi) in front of the detector (Figure 54).

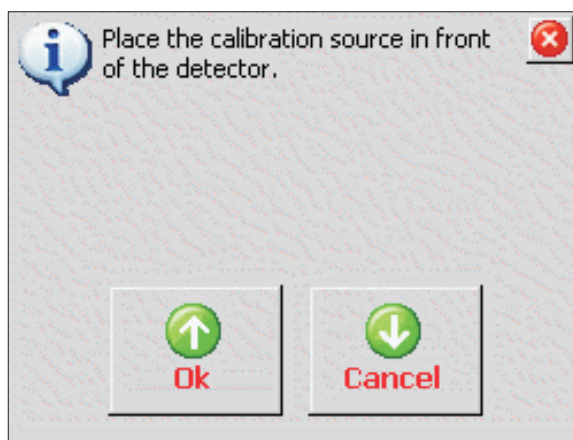


Figure 54 The Calibration Prompt

The most useful calibration source is a cap with a built-in source that fits over the end of the probe, such as the Model CSRCSS-n, where the 'n' matches the Probe's model number. For example, the Model CSRCSS-1 is used with the IPRON-1 probe.

2. The InSpector will make a brief measurement, then analyze the spectrum for peaks and attempt to locate the calibration peak. If the peak cannot be found, a longer measurement will be made. If the peak still cannot be found, the InSpector will report the problem; see Peak Not Found, below, for what to do.
3. You can abort this measurement at any time by selecting the **Home** button.

4. The detector gain and/or voltage are adjusted so that the peak will appear in the correct spot in the spectrum. If the voltage had to be adjusted, steps 2 and 3 will be repeated to fine tune the adjustment.
5. If there are multiple peaks in the spectrum, the InSpector may not be able to pick out the calibration peak. The InSpector will indicate that this has occurred. Check the calibration to see if other peaks appear at the correct energies. If not, use Manual Recal to manually select the calibration peak.

### **Peak Not Found**

If the InSpector cannot find the calibration peak, you should:

1. Make sure that the calibration source is present.
2. Examine the spectrum. If the continuum is very high, the calibration peak may be obscured; move to a location with a lower background rate and repeat Auto Recal.
3. Try to find the calibration peak in the spectrum; it may have shifted outside Auto Recal's range. In this case, use Manual Recal, below, to manually identify the peak.

The energy of the calibration peak, the amount of shift that Auto Recal can handle, and the strength of the calibration peak can be set in Calibration Setup on page 108.

### **Manual Recal**

The Manual Recalibration function is used to adjust the gamma probe's high voltage bias so that the energy calibration is valid, correcting for shifts due to temperature or tube aging. To use Manual Recal, you must be able to locate the calibration peak in the spectrum yourself.

### Spectrum Present

If you have a spectrum, you'll be asked to position the cursor on the 662 keV peak (Figure 55), then select **Enter**. Follow the instructions on the screen.

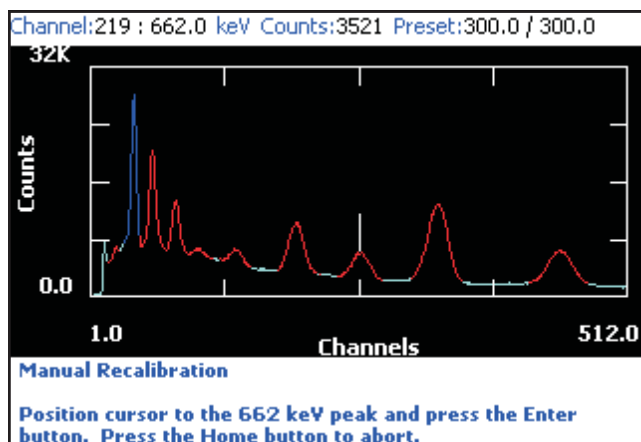


Figure 55 Manual Recalibration

### Spectrum Not Present

If there is no spectrum, you'll be prompted to acquire one by placing a mono-line calibration source (10 to 20 nCi) in front of the detector (Figure 56).

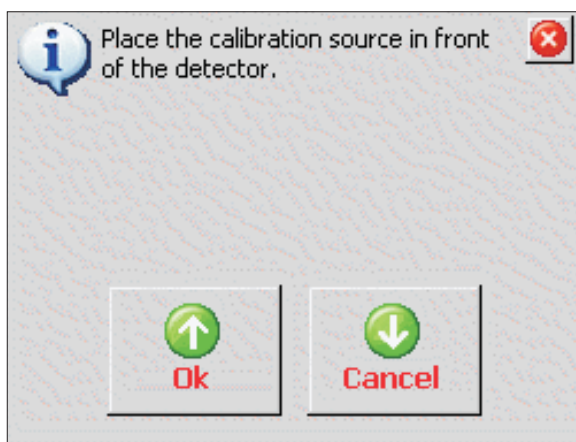


Figure 56 The Calibration Prompt

The most useful calibration source is a cap with a built-in source that fits over the end of the probe, such as the Model CSRCSS-n, where the 'n' matches the Probe's model number. For example, the Model CSRCSS-1 is used with the IPRON-1 probe.

1. Select OK to start Data Acquisition.
2. You can press the **Home** key at any point in this process to abort the operation.
3. Find the calibration peak in the spectrum and position the cursor on it using the Left or Right Arrow keys or by touching the screen.
4. Press the **Enter** key. The InSpector will adjust the probe so that the peak will appear in the right place in the spectrum and the energy calibration is valid.
5. If peak has shifted a large amount, the InSpector may have to adjust the probe's voltage; this is not as accurate as adjusting the probe gain. The InSpector will inform you that the voltage was changed, and you should repeat Manual Recal to fine tune the adjustment.

### Show

Select the **Show** button to display the energy calibration as a graph and its equation (Figure 57).

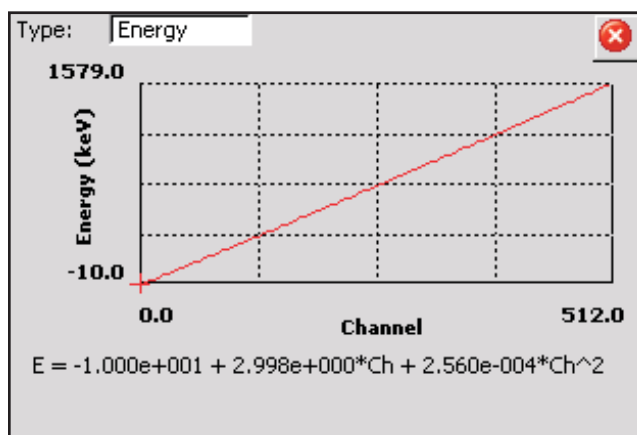


Figure 57 Show Energy Calibration

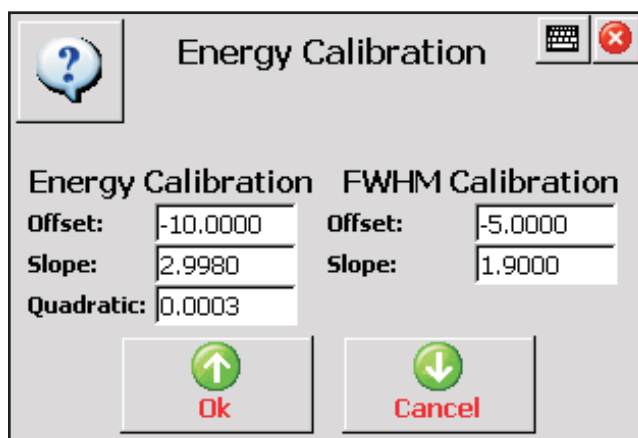
## Type

To display different type of curve:

- Select the **Enter** button to move the highlight to the Type list box.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move through the list of curve types.
- As the name of each type is shown in the list box, its curve will be displayed.

## Coeff

The Coefficients screen (Figure 58) lets you view or manually enter the Offset, Slope and Quadratic coefficients for the Energy Calibration and the Offset and Slope coefficients for the FWHM calibration.



The screenshot shows a window titled "Energy Calibration" with a help icon (question mark) and a close icon (X). Inside, there are two columns of input fields. The left column is for "Energy Calibration" and the right column is for "FWHM Calibration". Each column has three rows: "Offset:", "Slope:", and "Quadratic:". Below the input fields are two large buttons: "Ok" with an up arrow icon and "Cancel" with a down arrow icon.

Energy Calibration		FWHM Calibration	
Offset:	-10.0000	Offset:	-5.0000
Slope:	2.9980	Slope:	1.9000
Quadratic:	0.0003		

Buttons: Ok (up arrow), Cancel (down arrow)

Figure 58 Energy Coefficients

## Full

Select **Full** energy calibration to fine-tune the detector's energy calibration. It can also be used on a stored spectrum file. The calibration process requires a multi-photopeak calibration source, such as Canberra's Model MGS-3 Calibration Standard, and assumes that the existing calibration parameters are not too far off; that is, that the calibration source peaks can be found relatively close to their predicted positions.

The function uses a wizard (Figure 59) to step through the calibration process. The Right and Left Arrow keys will step to the next or previous step of the process. Select the **Home** key at any time to abort the calibration.

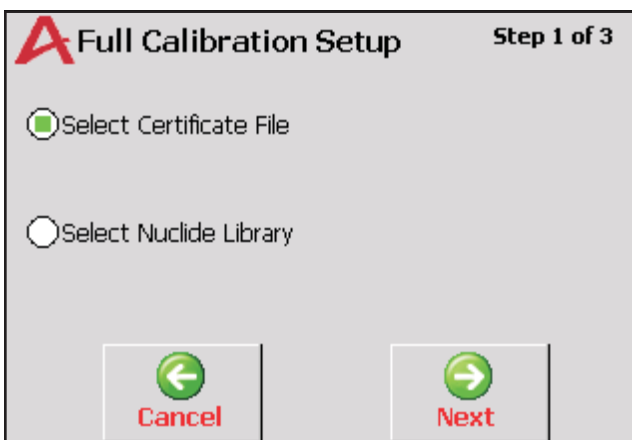


Figure 59 Full Calibration Setup Wizard

1. First indicate the source of the calibration energies: either a Certificate File, or a Nuclide Library.
  - If Certificate File was selected, choose the file that contains the calibration source's photopeak energies.
  - If Nuclide Library was selected, select the library which contains the nuclides in the calibration source. The wizard's next step will list the nuclides in the library. To choose a nuclide, use the Up and Down Arrow keys to highlight the nuclide, then select Enter. Selected nuclides will be highlighted in yellow.
2. When all nuclides have been selected, their photopeak energies are extracted from the library and sorted. Any overlapping energies (those within 1.5 FWHM of each other) will be discarded. At least three energies are required.

Note that a certificate file will automatically be created; the file contains the photopeak energies of the selected nuclides. The name of the file is created using the names of the selected nuclides.

3. Select the "peak match tolerance"; this determines how far from its predicted position each calibration peak can be and still be considered a valid peak. To change the tolerance value, select the Enter key to highlight the FWHM value, then edit the value. Select Enter to move the highlight to the Previous and Ok buttons, and then select the Right Arrow key to proceed.

A larger tolerance value allows more variation between the current calibration and the actual position of the peaks, but also increases the possibility of false matches.

If “Do FWHM Calibration?” is set to Yes, a FWHM calibration will be performed at the same time. Set this parameter to No to perform only the energy calibration.

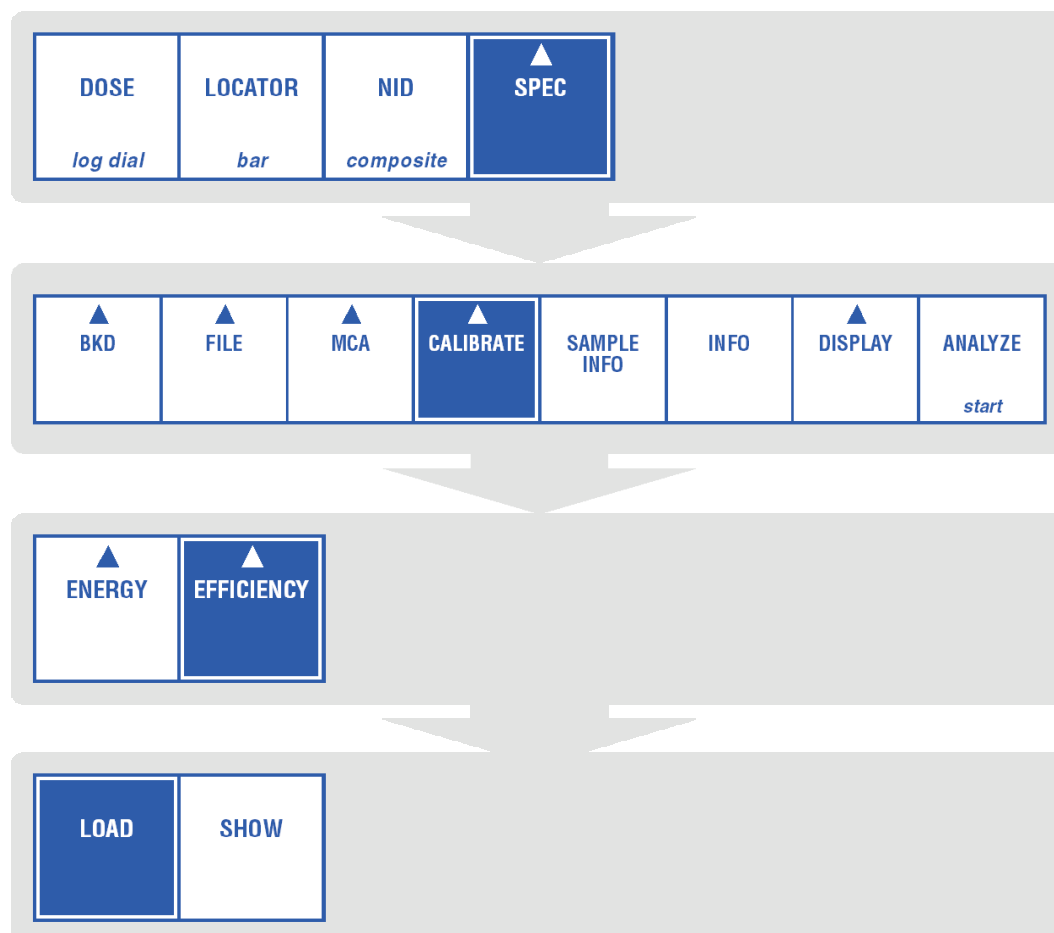
4. To calibrate the probe, place the calibration source on the detector when prompted, then select Ok to start acquisition. When you judge that sufficient data has been collected, press Enter to stop the acquisition.
5. The peaks found in the spectrum will be matched against the photopeak energies specified in the certificate or nuclide library, new calibration coefficients calculated, and the resulting plot of channel vs. energy displayed. If the results are acceptable, press the Up Arrow to save the calibration and the calibration spectrum file; otherwise, press the Down Arrow to discard it.

If fewer than three calibration peaks are sufficiently close to their predicted positions, the calibration wizard will report an error. You can try again, using a larger tolerance (see step 3) or use one of the RECAL functions to shift the entire spectrum closer to the current calibration.

## Efficiency

The Efficiency Menu command lets you load a memory-resident (already down-loaded) CAL file or show a calibration graphically.

Note: The default efficiency calibration is for a bare point-source on a centerline 25 cm from the face of the probe's endcap.



## Load

When you select **Load**, the InSpector will show you a list of files to choose from.

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.



- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

## Show

Select **Show** to display the efficiency calibration as a graph and its equation (Figure 60).

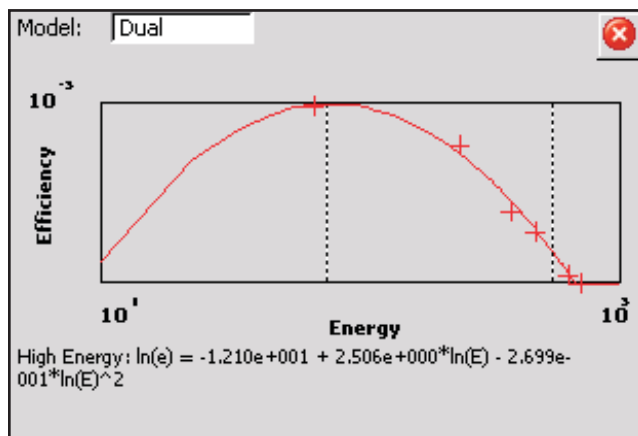


Figure 60 Show Efficiency Calibration

## Model

This screen allows you to choose a different Model for the displayed curve: Dual, Linear, Empirical or Interpolated.

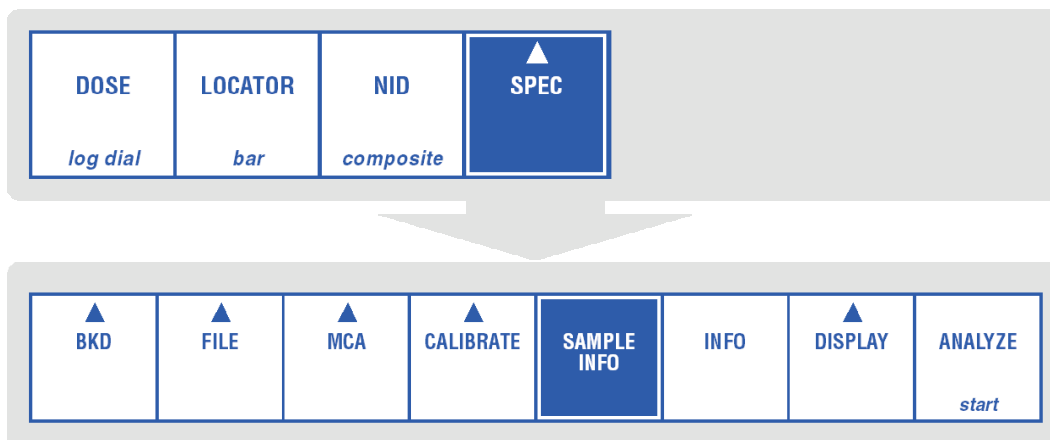
To choose a different model, press the **Enter** button. The model you choose is valid only for the current Show display; the model will default to Dual the next time you open the Show screen.

Note: The chosen model affects only the current Show display; the model used for analysis is set in the analysis sequence's efficiency step.

For technical information about the four efficiency models, refer to Efficiency Calibration Models on page 168.

## Sample Info

The Sample Info dialog lets you enter information about the current spectrum.



The Sample Info dialog (Figure 61) lets you to enter information about the current sample. The data you enter will remain in memory until the InSpector is switched off and will be included each time you Save a spectrum (page 63).

The screenshot shows the 'Sample Information' dialog box. It has a title bar with a question mark icon, a keyboard icon, and a close button. The main area contains the following fields and controls:
 

- ID:** A text input field.
- Quantity:** A text input field containing the value '1'.
- Collector Name:** A text input field.
- Location:** A text input field.
- Ok:** A button with a green upward-pointing arrow.
- Cancel:** A button with a green downward-pointing arrow.

 At the bottom of the dialog is a black status bar with the word 'Idle' in yellow on the left, and a row of icons (a crossed-out red X, a bell, a hand, and a question mark) on the right.

Figure 61 Sample Information

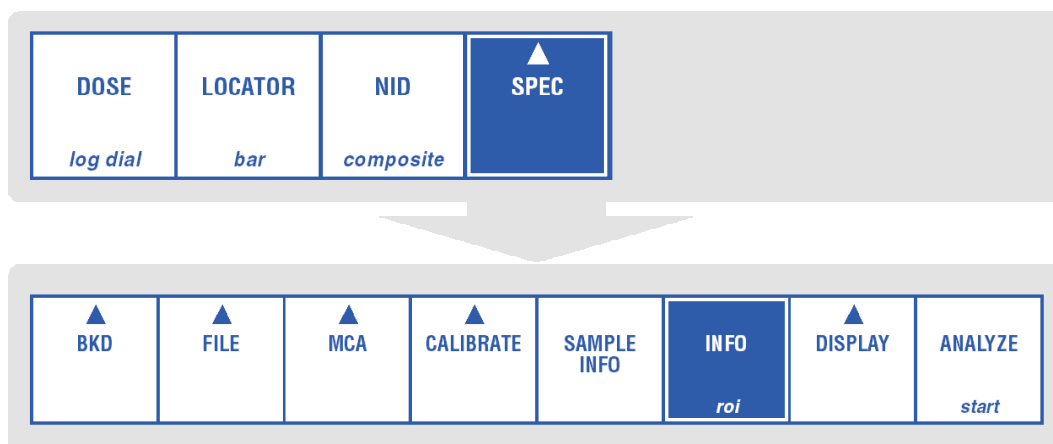
- **ID** is a textual sample identification of your choice.
- **Quantity** lets you enter the sample's quantity. Calculated activities are divided by this value, so that if the quantity is set to 1 (the default), total activity is reported. If any other value is entered, concentration is reported.
- **Collector Name** lets you enter the name of the person who collected the sample.
- **Location** is a description of the place where the sample was collected.

## Info

Information about the current datasource, depending on the Info page you choose to display, is displayed below the spectrum. Each page is described in the following sections.

### Changing the Information Page

To toggle through the Info pages, repeatedly touch the display's Information Page area or the Info menu button.



### None

Select **None** to remove the Info pages from the display; this makes the spectral display larger.

## ROI

The ROI page (Figure 62) shows the Left and Right limits and Centroid of the current ROI, both as a channel number and an energy, the ROI's Area, its Integral, and its FWHM (full width at half max) and FWTM (full width at tenth max) values. This data will be seen only if the cursor is in an ROI.

<b>Left:</b>	301	: 460.1 keV	<b>Area:</b>	767476.0±0.1%
<b>Right:</b>	362	: 555.9 keV	<b>Integral:</b>	767476.0
<b>Centroid:</b>	331	: 507.4 keV	<b>FWHM, FWTM:</b>	57.7, 95.9 keV

Figure 62 The ROI Page

## Calibration

The **Calibration** page (Figure 63) includes the current calibration's Energy equation, FWHM (full width at half max) equation, and the Efficiency at the cursor's position and its curve model.

<b>Energy =</b>	+ 1.492e+000Ch + 1.200e-004Ch^2
<b>FWHM =</b>	-7.300e+000 + 1.900e+000E^.5
<b>Effic. @ =</b>	3.029e-001 ±4.946e-003 (Dual)

Figure 63 The Calibration Page

## Time

The **Time** page (Figure 64) includes the Start time for the current data Acquisition, the percent Dead Time, and the Elapsed and Preset values for both Live Time and Real Time.

<b>Acq. Start:</b>	8/1/2003 3:49:14 PM	<b>Elapsed / Preset</b>
<b>Dead Time:</b>	0.00%	<b>Live Time:</b> 300.0 / 300.0
		<b>Real Time:</b> 300.0 / 6000.0

Figure 64 The Time Page

## Display

The **Display** page (Figure 65) includes the display window's Start and End Channels by number and energy, the display's current VFS (vertical full scale) and, if the cursor is in an ROI, its Net and Total CPS (counts per second).

<b>Start Ch:</b>	1	: 1.5 keV	<b>Current ROI</b>	
<b>End Ch:</b>	1024	: 1654.0 keV	<b>Net CPS:</b>	27272.60
<b>VFS:</b>	32K		<b>Total CPS:</b>	27272.60

Figure 65 The Display Page

## Nuclide

The **Nuclide** page (Figure 66) includes the Analysis Sequence description, the Identified nuclide at the cursor's position and any other potential nuclides found In Library.

<b>Analysis:</b>	NaI Analysis
<b>In Library:</b>	CO-57
<b>Identified:</b>	CO-57

Figure 66 The Nuclide Page

## Sample

The **Sample** page (Figure 67) describes the current sample's descriptive information that will be saved with spectral data. This data is used in reports when saved spectra are uploaded to a host PC. None of these values have any significance in analysis except the quantity.

<b>ID:</b>	144-BRS	<b>Quantity:</b>	3.00
<b>Type:</b>		<b>Geometry:</b>	
<b>Time:</b>	5/27/2003 3:55:28 PM	<b>Efficiency:</b>	SCIONIX3x3EFF.CAL

Figure 67 The Sample Page

- ID, an identifier for the sample being measured, Quantity, the amount of sample being measured, and Quantity Units if specified, are taken from data entered in Sample Info (page 82).
- Type is taken from Sample Information data entered on the General page of the InSpector's Configuration Editor (page 141); it cannot be entered directly in the InSpector.

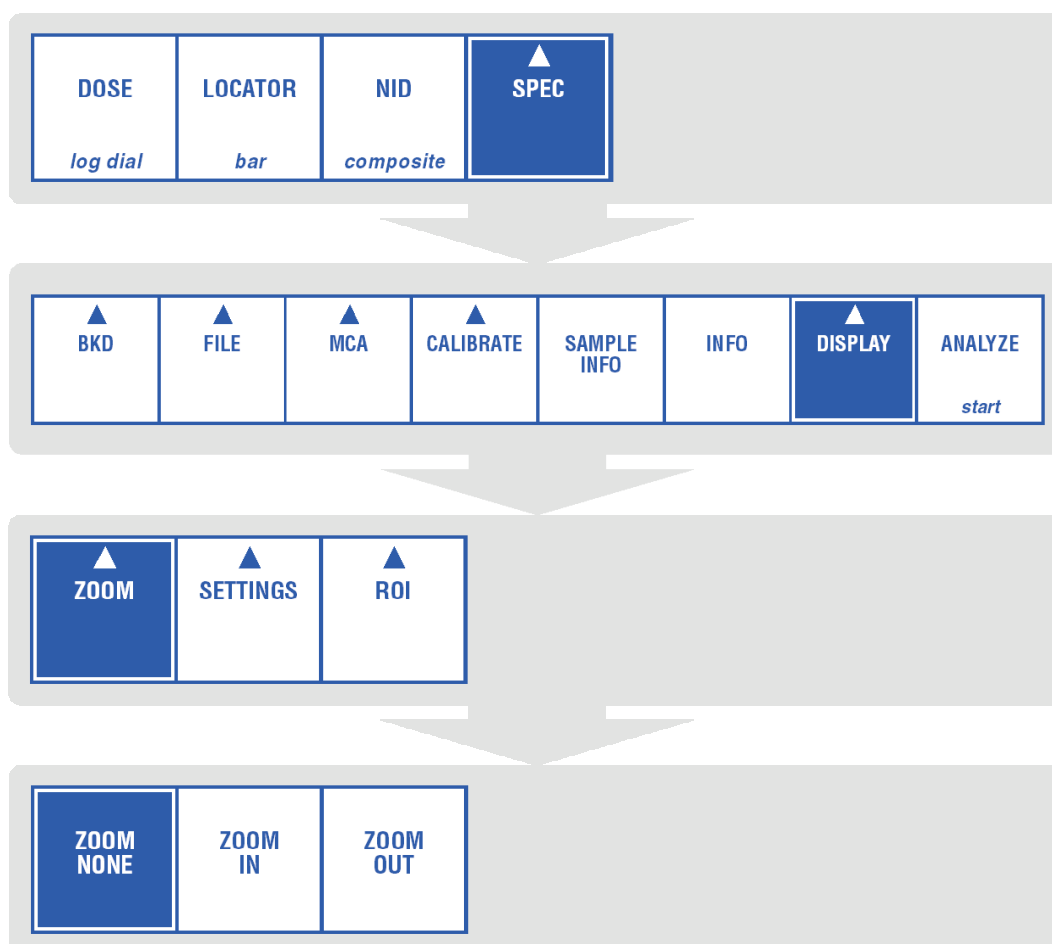
- Geometry displays the data entered in the Eff Geom ID field in Genie 2000's Calibrate | Store menu command.
- Time is the time the sample was taken.
- Efficiency is the name of the file used to efficiency calibrate the sample.

## Display

The Display menu includes Zoom commands, display Settings and ROI commands.

### Zoom

The **Zoom** command reformats the spectral display to show more or less detail, including the cursor.



## Zoom None

The **Zoom None** command disables the zoom ratio, returning the spectrum to its normal appearance.

## Zoom In

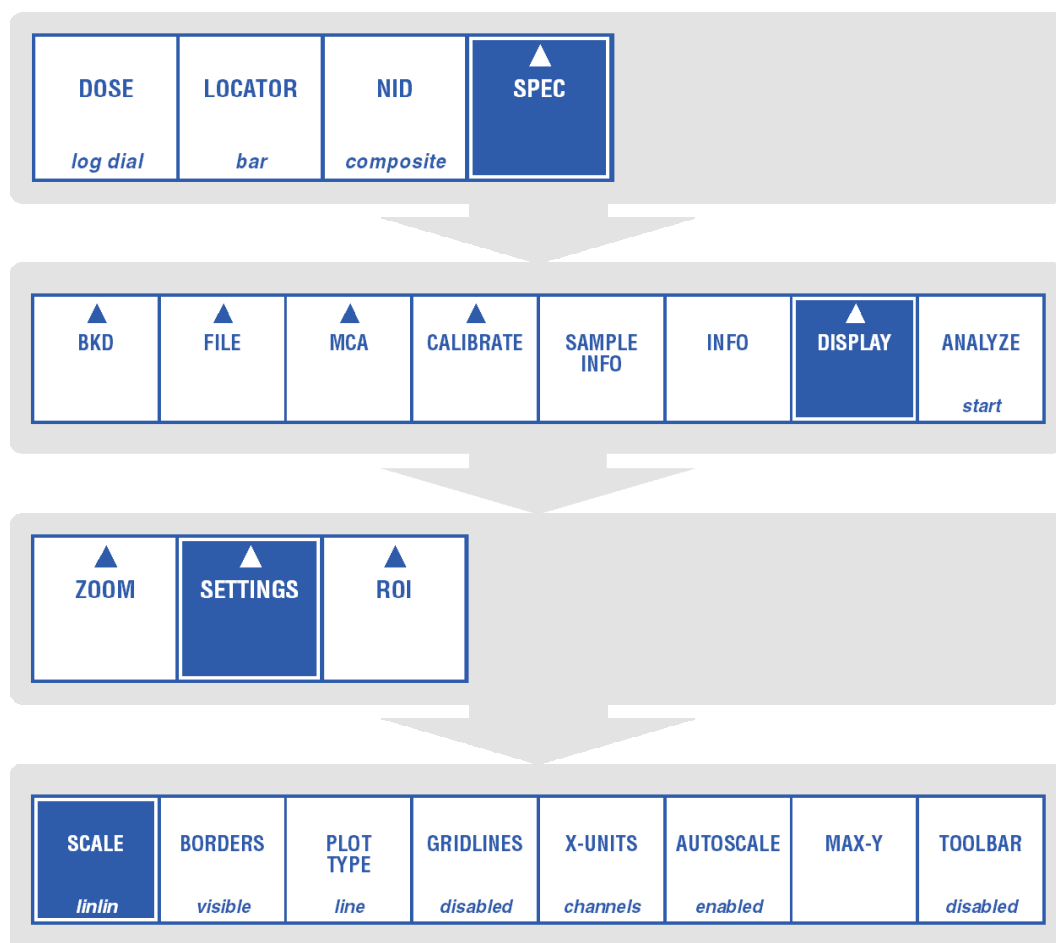
Each time the **Zoom In** command is selected, the zoom ratio is increased, showing a smaller amount of the spectrum in greater detail. A Zoomed in display always includes the data around cursor.

## Zoom Out

Each time the **Zoom Out** command is selected, the zoom ratio is decreased, showing a greater amount of the spectrum in less detail.

## Settings

The **Settings** parameters configure the appearance of the display.



## Scale

Each time the **Scale** command is selected, the spectrum's XY-scales toggle between: *linlin*, *linlog*, *loglin*, *loglog*, *sqrtlin* and *sqrtlog*.

## Borders

The **Borders** command toggles the display's X- and Y-axis borders between *visible* and *none* (Figures 68 and 69).

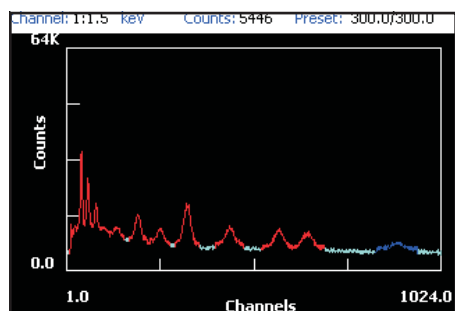


Figure 68 Visible Borders

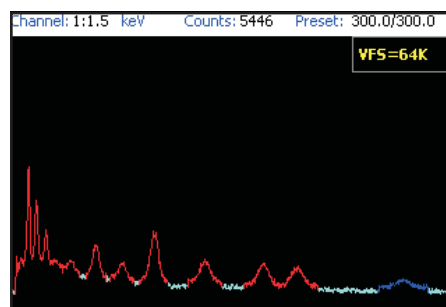


Figure 69 No Borders

## Plot Type

The **Plot Type** command toggles the way the spectrum is displayed between *line*, *area* and *points*.

### Line

Line displays the spectrum as a solid line (Figures 68 and 69).



**Area**

Area displays the spectrum with the area filled in (Figure 70).

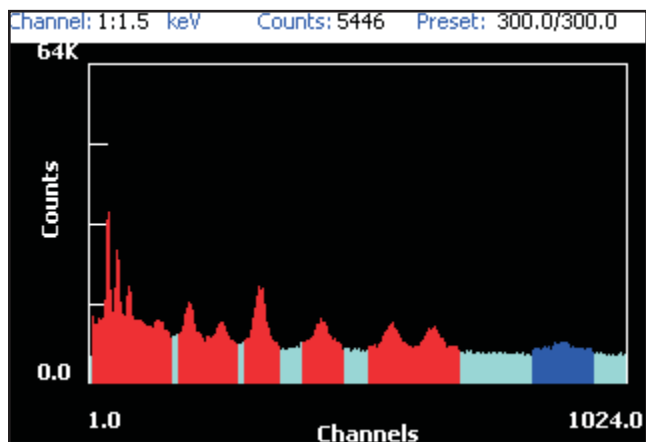


Figure 70 Display Spectrum as Area

**Points**

Points displays the data as points on a plot (Figure 71).

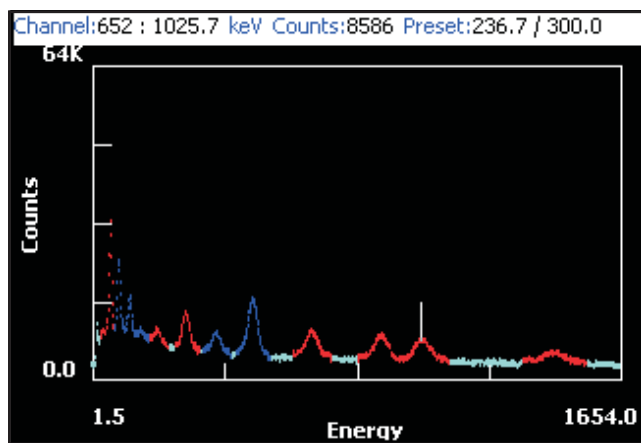


Figure 71 Display Spectrum as Points

## Gridlines

The **Gridlines** command toggles the display's X-Y gridlines between *enable* and *disable* (Figure 72).

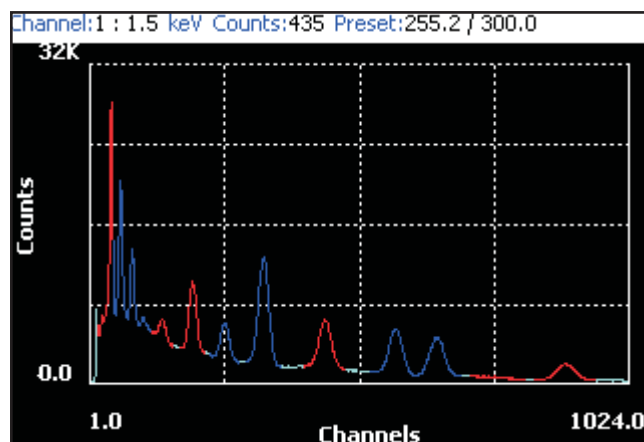


Figure 72 Gridlines Enabled

## X-Units

The **X-Units** command toggles the X-axis' label between *channels* (Figure 72) and *energy* (Figure 71).

## Autoscale

The **Autoscale** command lets the program automatically set the display's vertical full scale (VFS). As the spectral data increases, the VFS is automatically reset to show all of the data.

## Max-Y

If Autoscale is not enabled, **Max-Y** lets you specify the absolute value of the Y-axis scale.

## Toolbar

The **Toolbar** command adds a toolbar at the right side of the spectrum. The toolbar lets you toggle autoscale, cycle through Y scale max values, zoom in and zoom out.

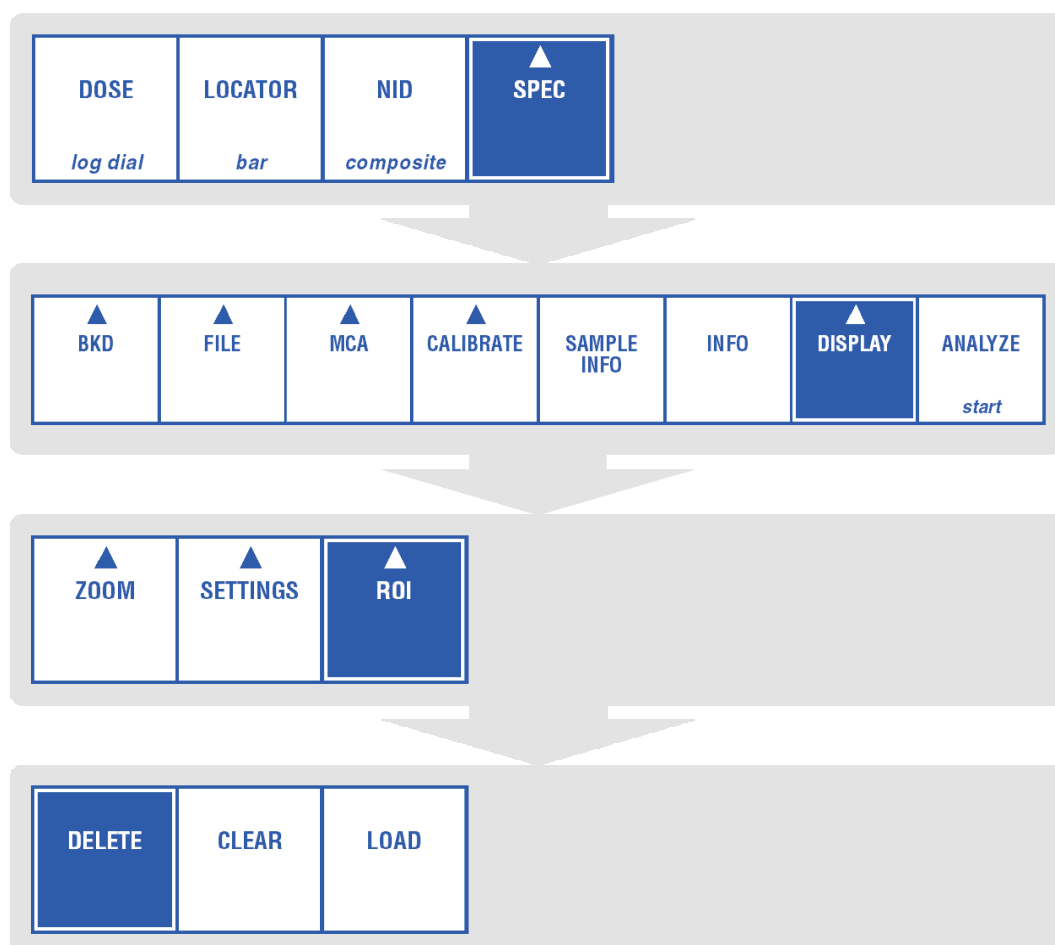
## ROI

An ROI is a region of interest, usually marking a photopeak. You can create ROIs by executing an analysis sequence file containing Peak Locate and Peak Analysis algorithms (page 47) or you can load the ROIs from a file (page 49).

### Color of the ROIs

Peaks associated with an identified nuclide will be marked with a **blue ROI**. Peaks that cannot be identified will be marked with a **red ROI**.

To access the ROI menu, select the Up Arrow, then select:



### Delete

When the cursor is in an ROI, the Delete button will be enabled; selecting the button will delete the current ROI from the display.

When the cursor is *not* in an ROI, the Delete button will be disabled; the button cannot be selected.

### Clear

Selecting Clear will remove all ROIs from the spectrum, whether entered by an analysis routine or loaded from a file.

### Load

Selecting **Load** will show you a list of ROI files to choose from (Figure 73):

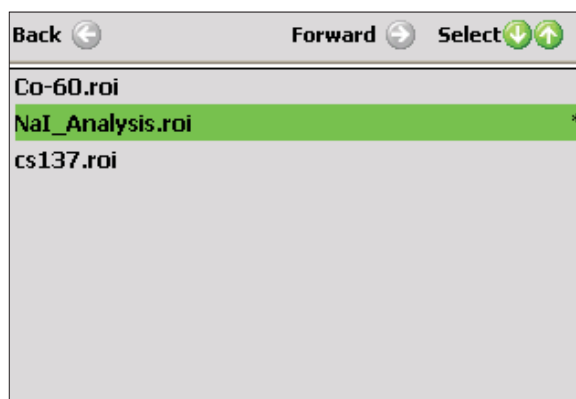


Figure 73 A Typical ROI File List

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Select the **Ok** to load the highlighted file.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

Note: If ROIs loaded from an ROI file are present in a spectrum, they will prevent the display of ROIs generated from an analysis routine. Clearing the loaded ROIs will allow the generated ROIs to be displayed.

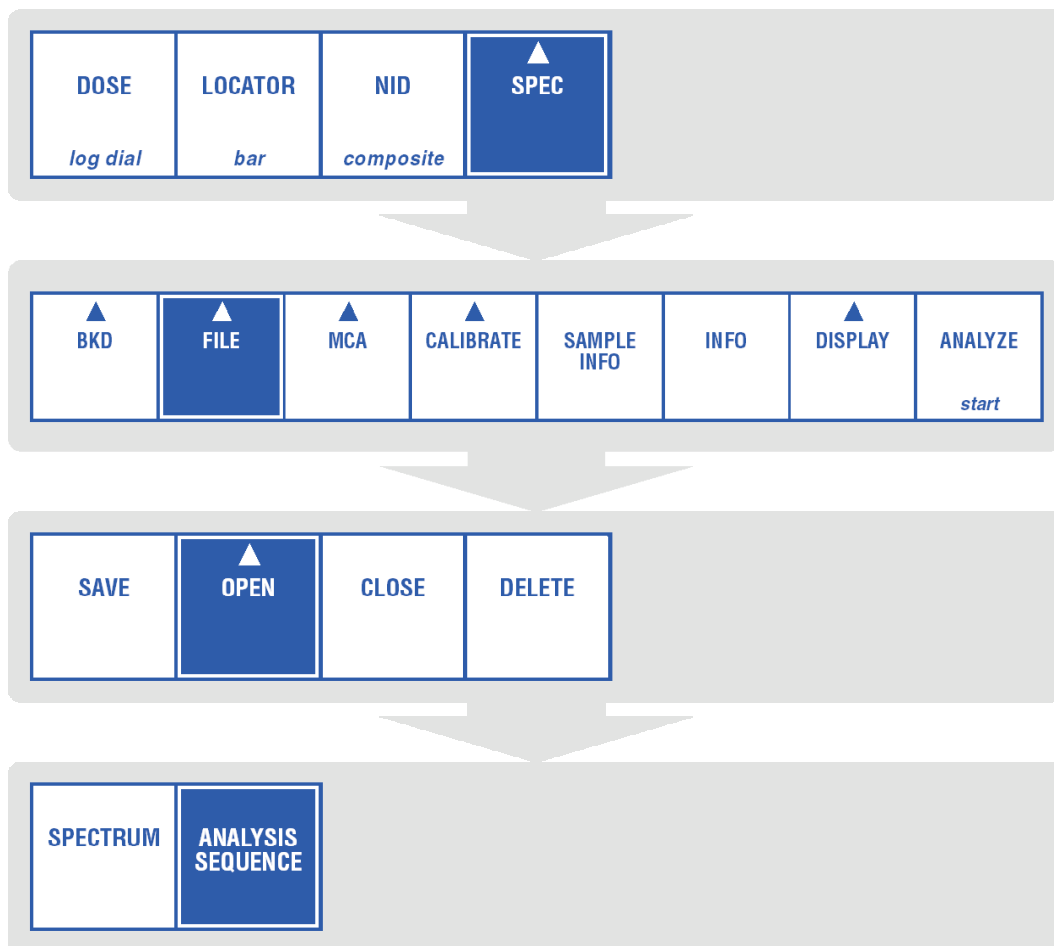
## Analyze

The InSpector can perform a full gamma spectroscopy analysis, including peak location and analysis, environmental background subtraction, efficiency calculation, and nuclide identification and activity calculation. This analysis is performed via Analysis Sequence (ASF) files using Genie 2000 algorithms. Each file defines a series of analysis steps and the parameters used by each.

For a discussion of using Genie 2000 to create or edit an ASF, refer to Appendix F, *Using ASFs*, on page 185.

### Loading the Sequence File

Analysis requires that a memory-resident sequence file (ASF) be loaded. Select the Up Arrow, then select:



Selecting **Analysis Sequence** will show you a list of files to choose from (Figure 74).

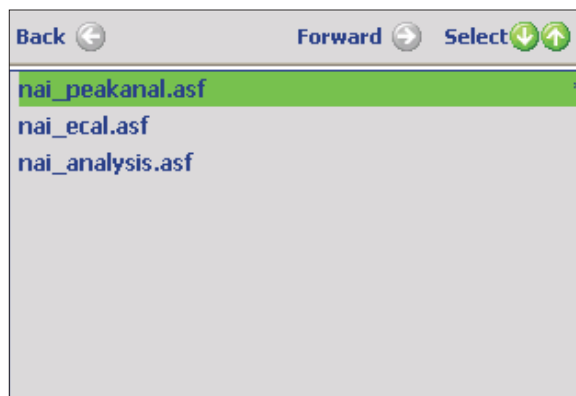
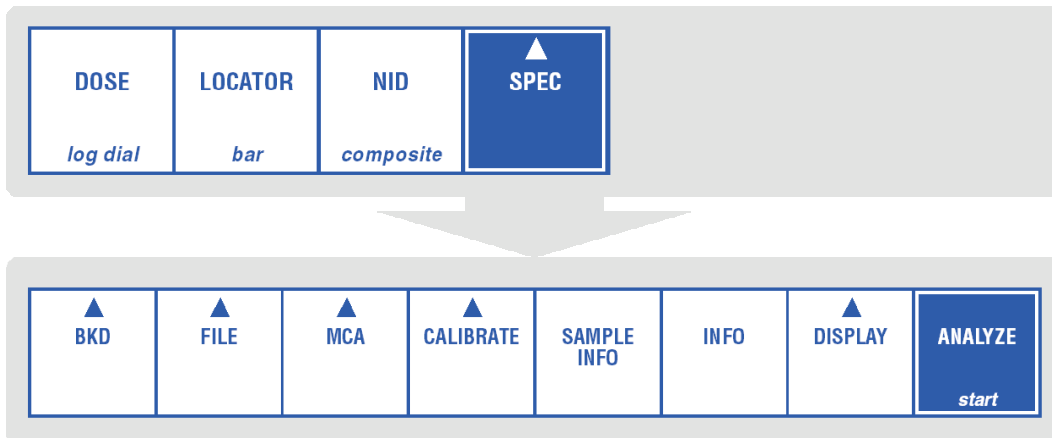


Figure 74 A Typical ASF File List

- A \* indicates the last loaded file. No asterisk means that the file name is not known.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the Left/Right Arrow keys to move to the previous/next page of files.
- Select the **Enter** key to load the highlighted file.
- Select the **Ok** button to confirm your choice.
- At any time, select **Home** to close the file box without selecting a file.

## Starting an Analysis

To start analysis on the spectrum using the loaded ASF file, select:



When the Analyze button is selected, its legend changes from *start* to *abort*. So to stop an executing analysis, all you have to do is select Spec | Analyze again.

Although you'd usually analyze a spectrum with parameters defined in the ASF, some of the parameters can be changed in Spec Setup (page 107).

When you Save the analyzed spectrum, the changed parameters will be written to the spectrum file.

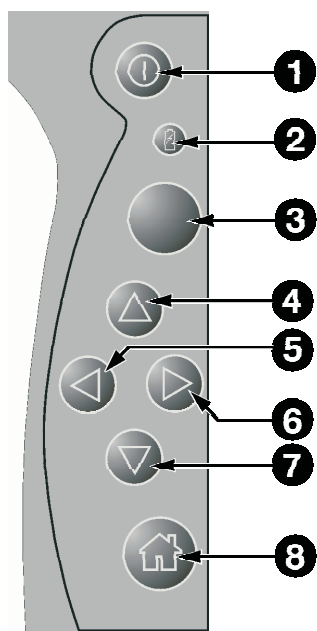
## Stopping an Analysis

When the Analyze button is selected, its legend changes from *start* to *abort*. To stop an executing analysis, select the Analyze button again. The analysis file will stop executing.

## 9. Special Count

The Special Count mode allows the novice user a simple way to initiate a measurement according to the sampling environment.

Note: The InSpector™ is normally set for the Easy Mode of Operation. In order to access the Special Count mode the expert user must change the InSpector to its Standard Mode of Operation (page 109). Next, from the Maintenance Utility's Configuration File Editor select the Menu Page tab then the Special Count checkbox.



### Hard Key Functions

1. **Power** – Turns the InSpector On/Off.
2. **Charge** – Lights whenever the battery is being charged.
3. **Enter** – The Enter key has several easily understood context-sensitive functions.
4. **Up** – Enters the main menu; in the menu, changes the displayed mode.
5. **Left** – In the menu, moves to the left; in the Special Count mode, exits the Wizard.
6. **Right** – In the menu, moves to the right; in the Special Count mode, displays the next page of Wizard.
7. **Down** – Exits the menu and returns to the NID display.
8. **Home** – Changes the display to the **Home Mode** selected in Instrument Setup (page 109). In a Wizard screen, cancels the Wizard.

### The Special Count Wizard

Select the **SPECIAL COUNT** menu button to initiate the Wizard. The Wizard makes it simpler to select an analysis sequence file (.asf), calibration file (.cal) or paired ASF/CAL files where both files *must* have the same description, and configure the analysis parameters.



Notes: When the analysis sequence file is saved in Genie the file's description is entered in the Seq. Description field of the Store Analysis Sequence dialog box through the **Edit | Analysis Sequence** menu option.

When the calibration file is saved in Genie the file's description is entered in the Store dialog box through the **Calibrate | Store** menu option.

If there are no .cal or .asf files in the \GENIECE\SPECIAL directory, after pressing the **SPECIAL COUNT** menu button the Sample Information dialog appears.

1. For each sample type/environment select a file by scrolling through a list of count descriptions. Then select the **Next** key.
2. You can enter, optionally, the Sample ID and Sample location.
3. Next, you can choose to change the Measure Time.
4. An acquisition will start, when finished save the data.
5. Measurements can be repeated with the option of automatically retaining the sample type file name, sample ID, location description, and the measurement duration setting.

## Selecting the Count Setting

The first dialog, Select Count Settings, displays a descriptive list of count settings to choose from (Figure 75).

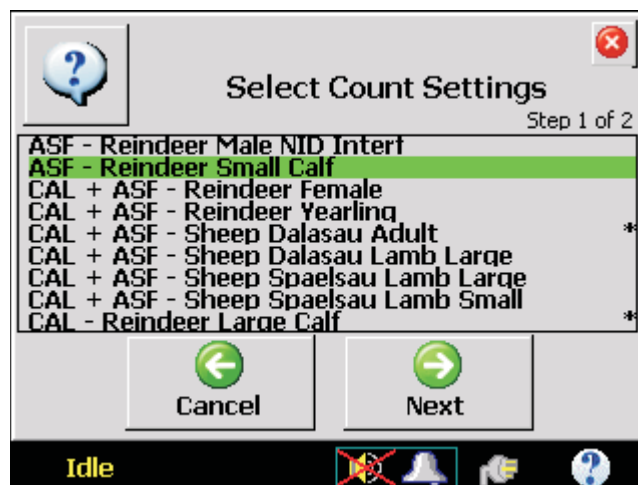



Figure 75 Selecting the Count Setting

A list of count descriptions is displayed in alphabetical order for every type of sample/environment. The list is created by detecting all .cal and .asf files in the \GENIECE\SPECIAL directory. Pairs of .asf and .cal files that have the same description will be represented by a single entry in the list. A prefix of "ASF", "CAL" or "CAL + ASF" will be displayed before description to identify exactly what type of file is being displayed. A "\*" will be displayed at the end of the list to indicate that there are more descriptions available on the screen.

- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to move the highlighted selection bar through the list.
- Use the **Next** button to move to the next step of the Wizard.
- To cancel a dialog box and exit the Wizard without saving any changes, select the **Home** key, the Cancel button, or the red  in the upper right corner of the dialog.

When the screen is opened, the first description in the list will be highlighted unless another one has previously been selected and saved. The next time you start the Wizard, unless the unit is turned off, the last selected count description is highlighted and marked with an asterisk ("\*"). If there is more than one screen of count descriptions that precede the count description last saved alphabetically, then the list will be scrolled to a point where this description will be displayed on the last line.

## Launching a Count

The second dialog, Sample Information, lets you enter a Sample ID, a Location, and Measurement Time. The data you enter will remain in memory until the InSpector is switched off. Only the Measurement Time will remain if the instrument is powered off. Please see Figure 76.

Figure 76 Entering the Sample Information

- ID is a sample identification of your choice.
- Location is a description of the place where the sample was collected.
- Measurement Time is the amount time in units to pass before the acquisition ends.

Note: Time units are determined by the preset time set in the SPEC | MCA | Preset Time dialog (page 43). If you enter the preset time using units other than seconds, the time will be converted to and stored as the equivalent number of seconds when you select Ok.

Use the **Enter** key to move down one text box at a time, then to the soft buttons, then back to the top of the screen.

To enter data in the ID and Location fields use the Virtual Keyboard. For the Measurement Time use the Up/Down Arrow keys. See “How to Navigate a Parameters Dialog” on page 41 for more details.

At any time you can select **Home** key, **Cancel** button, or the red icon in the upper right corner of the dialog to exit the Wizard. Use the **Previous** button to return to the first step of the Wizard.

After you have entered your Sample Information and pressed the **OK** button, if the CAL and/or ASF files are available, then the efficiency calibration followed by the analysis sequence files are loaded into memory. Next, the spectrum and analysis results are cleared and acquisition is started.

**Note:** A calibration will always be loaded before an analysis sequence such that an efficiency equation type specified in the asf will be used instead of a type specified in the calibration file.

If the background file name (CAM parameter EXPBACK) is blank in the analysis sequence loaded but was previously defined in the active datasource then this value will be restored after the analysis sequence is loaded. This allows for preservation of settings determined by execution of the Background Collection Wizard.

Finally, if you choose to you can save the data to a file by selecting:

- SPEC menu button then the File | Save options (page 61).
- NID menu button (page 26).

# 10. Setup Mode

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## Setup Menus

The Setup Mode lets you set both the system parameters for the InSpector™ and the parameters for each data mode. To access the Setup Mode, press the **Enter** and **Home** buttons at the same time (Figure 77).

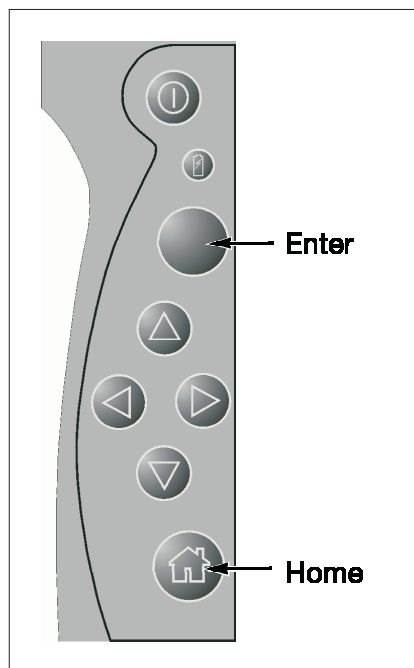


Figure 77 Location of the Home and Enter Keys

## Navigating the Setup Dialogs

This section covers the extra navigation tools available in the Setup Mode. In addition to the Parameter Dialog functions on page 41, the Setup Dialogs have four extra keys and a different way of specifying which downloaded (memory-resident) file is to be used.

### Apply

Select **Apply** to save the changed parameters in memory without leaving the current dialog page.

The word **Saved** appears at the top of the screen to indicate that the data was stored in the unit's memory.

### Previous and Next

Selecting **Previous** or **Next** will save any changes you've made on the current page, then move to the dialog's previous or next page.

### Quit

Select **Quit** to exit the dialog. If you have not first selected Apply, any changes will be lost.

## Specifying a Memory-Resident File

In Spec Setup (page 107), you can specify which memory-resident file you want to use.

- Select the **Enter** key to move the highlight to the Library list box.
- Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to scroll through the list in the box.
- When you find the file you want to specify, select the **Enter** key to move the focus to the soft keys at the bottom of the dialog.
- Select the Up Arrow (Apply) to use the file.

## Dose Setup

There are several pages of parameters for Dose Setup: Units and Range, Dose Rate Warning, Dose Rate Alarm, Annunciator, Cumulative Dose Warning, Cumulative Dose Alarm and Neutron Count Rate Alarm.

How the visual and audio alerts are issued for these warnings and alarms is discussed on page 19.

## Units and Range

Selects the displayed units for the Dose Mode and their maximum range. The Dose Units are used throughout these setup pages and in all displays for the Dose Mode itself.

### Dose Units

Dose Units are the units in which the Dose Rate and Cumulative Dose will be displayed.

### Dose Rate Range

The Dose Rate Range sets the value of the upper limit of the gamma dose display in the selected Dose Units.

For example, if you select mSv as the Dose Units, and 100 as the Range, the upper limit of the Dose Rate display will be 100 mSv/h.

### Neutron Count Range

The Neutron Count Range sets the value of the upper limit of the counts per second histogram bar in the Dose Neutron and Composite Neutron displays.

## Dose Rate Warning

Enables the Dose Rate Warning and sets its activation threshold. The Warning sound is selected in Instrument Setup | Sound Setup on page 110.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the selected audio alert or **Off** to disable it.

### Threshold

- When the Dose Rate exceeds this setting, selected alerts are issued.
- The Dose Units you chose on the Units and Range page are used here for the Threshold setting.

## Dose Rate Alarm

Enables the Dose Rate Alarm and sets its activation threshold. The Alarm sound is selected in Instrument Setup | Sound Setup on page 110.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the selected audio alert or **Off** to disable it.

### Threshold

- When the Dose Rate exceeds this setting, selected alerts are issued.
- The Dose Units you chose on the Units and Range page are used here for the Threshold setting.

## Annunciator

Enables the function and sets the sound generated by detected radiation.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the Annunciator or **Off** to disable it.

### Sound

- **Tone Lin** is a frequency that varies in pitch as a direct function of the rate change.
- **Tone Log** is a frequency that varies in pitch as a logarithm of the rate change.
- **Beep** is a clicking noise that occurs as a direct function of the dose or count rate.

## Cumulative Dose Warning

Enables the Cumulative Dose Warning and sets its activation threshold. The Warning sound is selected in Instrument Setup | Sound Setup on page 110.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the selected audio alert or **Off** to disable it.

### Threshold

- When the Cumulative Dose exceeds this setting, selected alerts are issued.
- The Dose Units you chose on the Units and Range page are used here for the Threshold setting.

## Cumulative Dose Alarm

Enables the Cumulative Dose Alarm and sets its activation threshold. The Alarm sound is selected in Instrument Setup | Sound Setup on page 110.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the selected audio alert or **Off** to disable it.

### Threshold

- When the Cumulative Dose exceeds this setting, selected alerts are issued.
- The Dose Units you chose in Units and Range (page 102) are used here for the Threshold setting.



## Neutron Count Rate Alarm

Enables the Neutron Count Rate Alarm and sets its activation threshold. The Alarm sound is selected in Instrument Setup | Sound Setup on page 110.

### Enable

- Select **On** to enable the selected audio alert or **Off** to disable it.

### Threshold

- When the Neutron Count Rate exceeds this setting, selected alerts are issued.

## Locator Setup

There are two pages of parameters for Locator Setup: Locator and MCS.

### Locator (first page)

The first Locator page sets the vertical scaling and graphing parameters for displaying the Locator data.

#### Autoscale

Enables/disables automatic vertical scale.

- **On** turns autoscaling on for the Locator Mode; values set for the Dose Rate Scale and CPS Scale are ignored.
- **Off** turns the Locator Mode autoscaling off; the vertical scale is fixed at the values set in Dose Rate Scale and Count Rate Scale.

#### Dose Rate Scale

Sets the upper limit of the vertical scale when displaying locator dose data. This setting is ignored if Autoscale is enabled. The dose units are set in Dose Setup | Units and Range (page 102).

#### Count Rate Scale

Sets the upper limit of the vertical scale when displaying count rate data. This setting is ignored if Autoscale is enabled.

This also sets the upper limit of the Input Count Rate bargraph in the Dose Composite mode. The Input Count Rate bargraph is not dependent on the Autoscale setting.

### Curve Type

Sets the default type of curve displayed, Line or Bar; the user can change the default setting via the main menu's Locator button.

- **Line** displays a single connected line.
- **Bar** displays a histogram (bar chart) with one bar for each measurement.

## Locator (second page)

Sets more parameters for displaying Locator data.

### Monitor

Sets the Locator display to **Gamma Count Rate**, **Gamma Dose Rate** or **Neutron Count Rate**. The display units for the Gamma Dose Rate are selected in Units and Range (page 102).

### Max X

**Max X** is the width of the locator window, in seconds.

### Smoothing

Enables/disables **Smoothing**, which decreases the visibility of random changes in the data.

### Integration Width

**Integration Width** controls the number of dwell time intervals used to weight the smoothing. The larger the value, the more the data will be smoothed.

## NID Setup

There is only one page of parameters for NID Setup.

- **Activity Units** – Select either  $\mu\text{Ci}$  or Bq.
- **Dose Rate Display** – This parameter affects the Simple and Composite NID displays differently.
  - ▶ In the Simple NID display, selecting **On** defaults to the dose rate for each nuclide listed. Selecting **Off** defaults each nuclide's activity instead. The user can change the default by selecting the display's column header.

- ▶ In the Composite NID display, selecting **On** enables a column displaying the dose rate for each nuclide listed. Selecting **Off** disables the column displaying the dose rate.
- ▶ Note: This parameter does not affect the Dose Rate bargraph below the table in the Composite view.
- **Display** – Composite NID display only. You can display either **Error** (activity uncertainty in percent) or **Confidence** (percent confidence that the nuclide identification is correct) for each nuclide listed.
- **Error Multiplier** – Error factor used when reporting NID uncertainty values. Errors are reported at ‘n’ sigma, where ‘n’ is the specified multiplier, but are calculated and stored at 1 sigma.

## Spec Setup

There are four pages of parameters for Spectroscopy Setup: Peak Analysis, NID Analysis, Background Subtraction and Calibration Setup.

Notes: If an analysis sequence file is loaded, the current settings for these parameters will be overwritten; the loaded parameters will become the current parameters. If you change any of these parameters *after* loading a sequence file, your changes will become the current parameters.

Parameter changes made here have an effect only if the specified analysis step is present in the analysis file.

When you Save an analyzed spectrum, the changed parameters will be written to the spectrum file.

## Peak Analysis

Though you’d normally use the Peak Analysis parameters in the specified ASF file, three of those parameters can be modified here.

- **Start Channel** – the starting channel for the peak search.
- **Significance** – The significance threshold is used to eliminate insignificant peaks from the search. Peaks with a significance value less than threshold value are ignored. This parameter must be greater than 0 and typically ranges from 3 to 5.

- **Library** – The Nuclide Library (NLB) file to be used for the peak locate. All library files listed by this control are stored in \GENIECE\CAMFILES.

## NID Analysis

Though you'd normally use the NID Analysis parameters in the specified ASF file, three of those parameters can be modified here.

- **Confidence** – Sets the Confidence threshold value – peaks above this threshold will be accepted for analysis. This parameter has a range of 0 (low) to 1 (high).
- **Tolerance** – Sets the tolerance threshold value, in FWHM. For a peak to be considered a match to a nuclide in the library, the peak energy must be within the specified Tolerance of the energy in the specified library.
- **Library** – Selects the Nuclide ID (NLB) file to be used for nuclide identification. All library files listed by this control are stored in \GENIECE\CAMFILES.

## Calibration Setup

Selects the parameters for the “Recalibrating the Probe” functions, starting on page 73.

Note: For normal InSpector applications, this function should rarely be used.

- **Cal. Source Energy** refers to the energy of the calibration peak. It must be entered in keV.
- The value in **RECAL count time** field defines how long the calibration source is to be counted by the Auto Recal function. If the calibration peak cannot be found in this time, Auto Recal will resume acquisition until the total count time is three times this value.
- The **RECAL window** is the size, in FWHM, of the region in which the Auto Recal function will attempt to find the calibration peak. The window is centered on the predicted position of the peak.
- **RECAL min rate** is the minimum expected net count rate in the calibration peak. AUTO RECAL uses this value to discriminate among peaks in the search window. If the rate is unknown, enter 0.

## MCA Setup

The MCA Setup screen lets you change the MCA's energy range and number of channels. Changing either of these parameters will reset the probe's high voltage to the recommended value for that probe.

If you change any of these parameters, you'll have to use Auto Recal (page 73) to adjust the probe's energy calibration, moving the source peak to its default location. If desired, you can then enable Full calibration (page 77) to fine tune the energy calibration parameters.

- **Energy Range** lets you set the energy of the highest channel in the spectrum. Note: The actual energy achieved may vary from the setting by up to 10%.
- **Channels** lets you specify the number of channels in memory used to store a spectrum. The lower the Energy Range, the lower the maximum number of channels you can specify.

## Instrument Setup

There are two pages of system parameters for setting up the InSpector: Instrument Setup and Sound Setup.

### Instrument Setup

Sets the language used, the screen's backlight timeout, the menu's timeout and the mode selected by pressing the Home key.

- **Language** lets you select the language used for the InSpector's menus and messages.
- The **Backlight** can be always on, always off, or on for a selected number of seconds after the unit becomes inactive. Since it takes about 20 seconds after the user's last action (i.e., a keypress) for the unit to time out to inactive status, the backlight will turn off {Backlight Value + 20} seconds after the last user action.
- **Menu Timeout** defines how long the menus are displayed, in seconds.
- **Home Mode** selects which main menu function is displayed when the Home button is pressed: Spec, NID Composite, NID Simple, Dose EBar, Dose Composite Dose Simple, Dose Linear Dial, Dose Log Dial, or Locator.
- **Easy Mode of Operation** enables the Easy Mode of Operation when selected. Deselect to enable the Standard Mode of Operation.

- **Auto Save** forces the InSpector to automatically save the spectrum file after acquisition and analysis are complete. Available only when Easy Mode of Operation is enabled.

### Sound Setup

Selects the sound emitted to signal various alarms and warnings. Every alarm and warning has a factory-set default which you can redefine here, including turning it off.

- The **Volume**, which applies to all sounds, can be set for 20 to 100, in increments of 10.
- The selection box lets you choose the alarm or warning to be redefined.
- **Sound Type** – There are a number of sounds to choose from, including “None”, which disables the audible alarm or warning specified in the selection box.
- **Play Sound** – Select the Play Sound button to hear the sound for, and verify the parameters of, the selected alarm or warning. Press the button again to turn the audio off.
- **Note** – Selects the pitch of the sound.
- **Interval** – Selects the amount of time between instances of the sound. For instance, selecting 4 means that the sound will be produced every four seconds, with each instance being “Length” in duration.
- **Length** – Selects the duration of the sound. The sound’s Length must be smaller than its Interval. Applicable only to continuous sounds.

### Date/Time Setup

This page lets you set and read the system clock and calendar. There are two parameter pages: System Date/Time and Time Zone.

#### System Date/Time

- Day, Month, Year – Sets the calendar.
- Seconds, Minutes, Hours – Sets the clock.

#### Time Zone

- Time Zone – Use the Up/Down Arrow keys to select your local time zone.

- Automatically adjust clock for daylight saving – Select this radio button to cause the clock to automatically account for daylight savings.

## Touchpad Calibrate

If the InSpector's touchpad becomes misaligned, this function lets you realign it. Select the Touchpad Calibrate button to launch the calibration screen (Figure 78).

- Tap the cross-hairs target in the center of the Calibration screen with a stylus.
- Tap the target each time it moves to a corner of the screen.
- After tapping all five target positions, tap the screen once more to save the calibration.
- The alignment is complete.

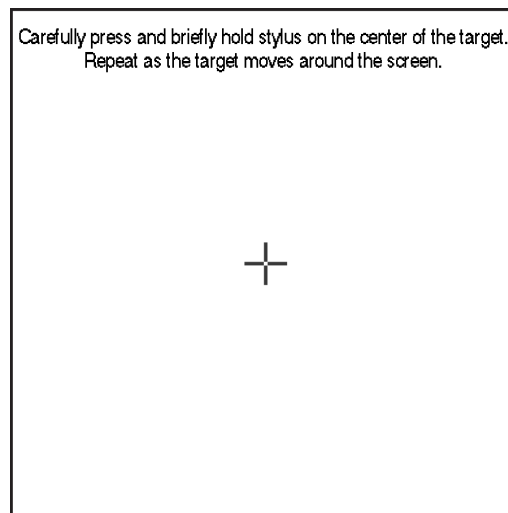


Figure 78 Touchpad Calibration Screen

## Allow Remote Setup

The Allow Remote Setup command, which allows remote customization of the InSpector, is not usually needed because the Maintenance Utility program performs the same function automatically. The command is not available while data acquisition is in progress.

**Note:** Enabling Allow Remote Setup will clear the InSpector's current acquisition data and analysis results.

## Clear Cumulative Dose

Clears the Cumulative Dose data from memory.

## Reset Defaults

Select **Reset Defaults** to restore the InSpector's operating parameters to their factory default settings. See "Default Configuration Settings" on page 153 for a complete list of the default parameters.



## A. Installing the PC Software

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**NOTE**

This appendix, *Installing the PC Software*, shows you how to make your personal computer (PC) and your InSpector work together.

To update existing software, for instance, from V1.1 to V1.2, go to Appendix B, *Updating the Software* (page 121).

The InSpector™ 1000 starts working for you right out of the box (see “Easy Mode of Operation” on page 3), but if you want to use the InSpector’s Maintenance Utility (page 124) or want to use Canberra’s Genie™ 2000 Analysis Software to work with the InSpector’s data files, you’ll have to install some software on your computer. This appendix tells you how.

**For Technical Assistance**

For technical assistance, call our Customer Service Hotline at 1-800-255-6370 or email [techsupport@canberra.com](mailto:techsupport@canberra.com).

## Programs for Your PC

To install the programs for your PC, you must have either the Windows® 2000 or Windows XP operating system installed on your PC. Other versions of Windows are not supported.

These are the programs you’ll need on your PC; please install them in this order:

1. The Genie 2000 Spectroscopy Software.
2. The Model S501 Genie 2000 Gamma Analysis Option.
3. Microsoft® ActiveSync®.
4. The InSpector Maintenance Utility.

**Product Manuals**

The documentation for the Maintenance Utility starts on page 124. The *InSpector 1000 User's Manual* and the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual* are supplied as PDF files on the InSpector and Genie CDs, respectively.

You can read and print the PDFs with the Adobe® Acrobat® Reader. If you don’t already have the Reader on your computer, you can install it with the Genie 2000 software. It can also be downloaded at no cost from Adobe’s web site [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com).

## Installing Genie Software

For detailed installation instructions, please refer to “Installing Genie Software” in Appendix A, “Software Installation”, in the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual*, which is supplied in PDF format on your Genie 2000 CD.

Note: Genie 2000 must be installed on your PC before installing the Model S501 Gamma Analysis Option.

## Installing the Communications Software

ActiveSync, which creates a communications channel between the InSpector and the PC, is supplied on the InSpector 1000 CD. Alternatively, the latest version of ActiveSync can be downloaded from [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com).

1. Put the InSpector CD into your PC's CD drive.
2. When the Installation Screen appears, select the “Install ActiveSync” button (Figure 79) and follow the on-screen prompts until you see the “Get Connected” screen (Figure 80).

Note: You may need to restart your computer if prompted to do so.



Figure 79 Installing the ActiveSync Software

3. When you see the “Get Connected” screen (Figure 80), click **Cancel**.

**CAUTION**

Do **NOT** click Next!

You must install the InSpector 1000 Software, in the next section, before you can Get Connected.

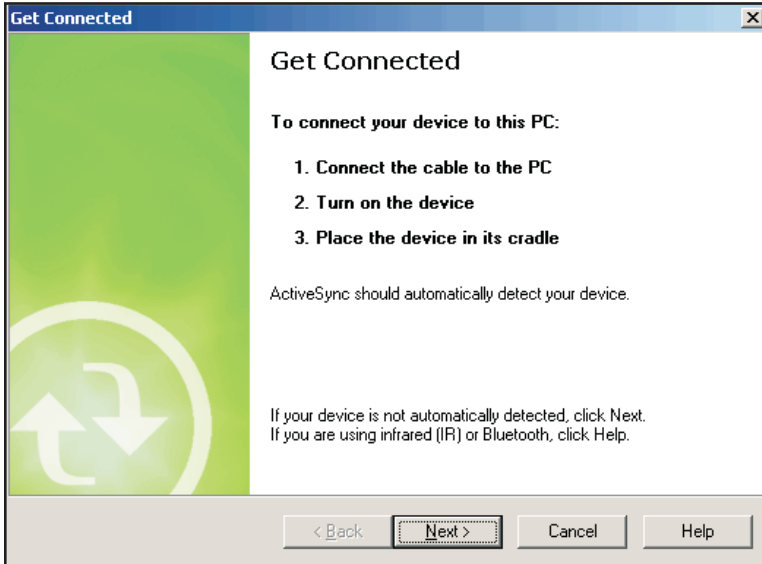



Figure 80 Do **NOT** Click Next

4. Go back to the main installation screen (Figure 81) and click the button labeled “Install InSpector 1000 Software”.



Figure 81 Updating the InSpector Software

5. Follow the on-screen prompts until you get to the “InstallShield Wizard Completed” screen.
6. Click Finish.
7. On the main installation screen (Figure 81), click Exit.
8. Connect the supplied InSpector USB cable between the InSpector's left connector marked  and any USB port on your PC.

What you see next depends on your operating system.

### Windows 2000

If your computer is running on Windows 2000, you'll see a small notice telling you that “New Hardware”, the USB device, has been found, then another that it's installed. The installation is complete; go on to step 9 (page 119).

## Windows XP

If your computer is running on Windows XP, you'll see the Found New Hardware Wizard dialog. When installing ActiveSync for the first time you will see the screen in (Figure 82). Click No, Not at this time then Next then (Figure 83) appears.



Figure 82 Found New Hardware - First Time Installed

If ActiveSync has already been installed, the screen in (Figure 83) appears.

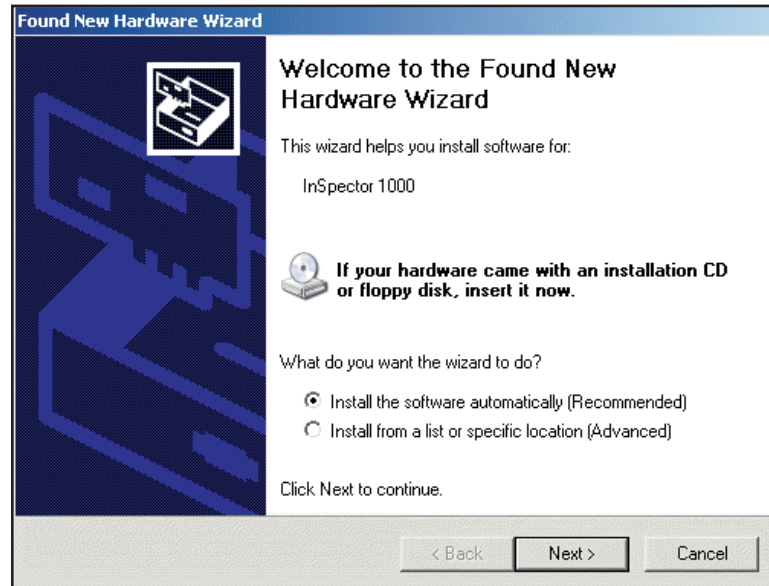


Figure 83 New Hardware Wizard

- a. Ignore the request for an installation CD or floppy disk, the software is already installed.
- b. Be sure the "Install the software automatically" button is selected.
- c. Click **Next** to continue.
- d. The next screen will say "Completing the Found New Hardware Wizard".
- e. Click **Finish** to close the Wizard. The installation is complete.
- f. Go on to Step 9.

9. If the “Set Up a Partnership” screen (Figure 84) doesn't appear automatically you will need to start the ActiveSync program by selecting Start | Programs | Microsoft ActiveSync. Select No, then Next.

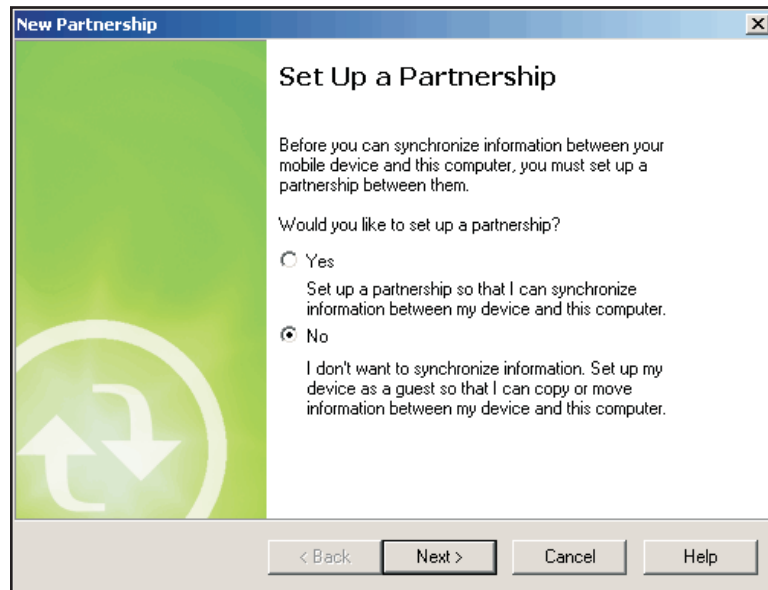


Figure 84 Set Up a Partnership

10. This connection between the InInspector and your PC via the USB cable has been made.

Note: If you don't want to be asked to Set Up a Partnership every time you make the connection, refer to “Suppressing the ActiveSync Connection Wizard” on page 127.

## Using the Maintenance Utility

The InInspector™ 1000 Maintenance Utility connects the InInspector to your PC or transfers files between the InInspector and your PC. For information about this program, refer to Appendix C, “The Maintenance Utility” (page 124).

Note: ActiveSync may sometimes drop the connection. If this happens, disconnect the USB cable, then reconnect it. This should re-establish communications.

## Reinstalling the InSpector Software

Each InSpector comes with its software already installed, so it's not likely that you'll need to reinstall it, but if reinstallation should become necessary:

1. Referring to “Connect Function” (page 126), connect the InSpector to the PC and establish its partnership through ActiveSync.
2. Browse to and run C:\Canberra\InSpector1000\Install\setup.exe.



## B. Updating the Software

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### NOTE

This appendix, *Updating the Software*, describes how to update existing software, for instance from V1.1 to V1.2. To set up a PC for first-time connection to a new InSpector, go to Appendix A, *Installing the PC Software* (page 113).

### For Technical Assistance

For technical assistance, call our Customer Service Hotline at 1-800-255-6370 or email [techsupport@canberra.com](mailto:techsupport@canberra.com).

Note: During this update procedure, the InSpector must be powered by the AC adapter.


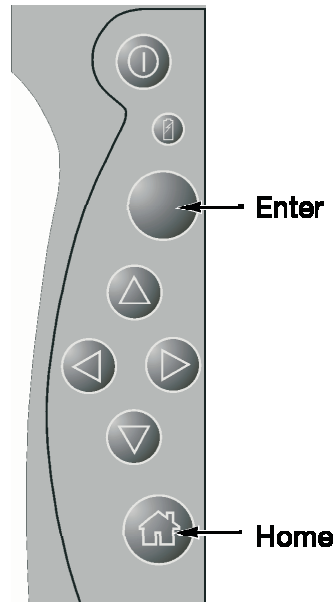
1. Put the InSpector's Update CD into your PC's CD drive.
2. Click Install Active Sync. If applicable, install the upgrade.
3. Using your USB cable, connect the InSpector's left connector marked  to your PC's USB port. The required ActiveSync link will automatically be established. If the link isn't established, disconnect the USB cable then reconnect it.
4. When the Installation Screen appears (Figure 85), click the button labeled Install InSpector 1000 Software.



Figure 85 Updating the InSpector Software

5. Use the PC's Start | Run menu command to Browse to and run C:\Canberra\InSpector1000\Install\OSUpdate.exe.
6. When the Operating System has been updated, the system will reboot and the ActiveSync connection should be re-established. If the link isn't established, disconnect the USB cable then reconnect it.
7. Use the PC's Start | Run menu command to Browse to and run C:\Canberra\InSpector1000\Install\setup.exe. This installs the InSpector 1000 software update.

8. When the update is complete, the last operation is to update the InSpector's default parameters (new ANSI library, new ASF, etc.). Simultaneously press the InSpector's Home and Enter buttons to access to the Setup Mode.



9. Press the NEXT button four times, then RESET DEFAULTS, then Yes, then HOME.
10. The unit is fully updated and set to the new Easy Mode of Operation. If you prefer to use the Standard Mode, go to the Setup Mode, select NEXT two times, then INSTRUMENT SETUP, then deselect the Easy Mode of Operation button.

This completes the update.

## C. The Maintenance Utility

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The InSpector™ 1000 Maintenance Utility connects the InSpector to your PC, transfers files between the InSpector and your PC, deletes files from the InSpector 1000, views spectra stored on the InSpector 1000, and allows you to create or modify the InSpector configuration file.

If you need to install this program, go to “Programs Required on Your PC” (page 113).

To run the Maintenance Utility, you must have ActiveSync® installed on your computer. Instructions for installing ActiveSync are on page 114.

### Starting the Utility

To start the Maintenance Utility program on your PC, select:

Start | Programs | GENIE-2000 | InSpector 1000 | Maintenance.

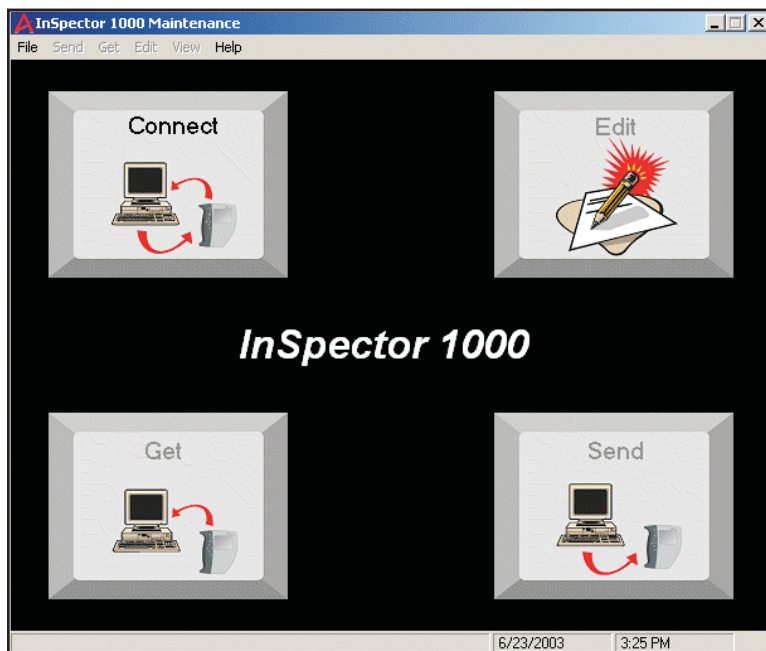


Figure 86 The Maintenance Utility

## The Utility's Menu Bar

Most of the utility's menu items duplicate the four large icons: Connect/Disconnect, Edit, Get and Send. Some, however need an explanation.

### File – Delete remote files

This command lets you delete files from the InSpector. You can change the list of displayed files by selecting a different file type.

### File – Open local preference file

This command lets you select a PC-resident configuration file for editing in the Configuration Editor. The Editor is covered in detail in “Configuration Editor” on page 136.

To open the InSpector-resident configuration file, use the **Edit** button or the **Edit | Settings** menu command.

### Send

The several Send commands let you choose a specific file type to transfer from the PC to the InSpector. You can do the same thing by selecting the Send button and choosing the file type.

### Get

The **Get | Spectrum** menu command only transfers spectrum files from the InSpector to the PC. To transfer other file types, use the **Get** button.

### Edit

This menu item includes commands for editing several different kinds of files for use with the InSpector.

- The **Edit | Current Analysis** command opens the InSpector's current Analysis Sequence file for editing.
- The **Edit | Settings** command opens the InSpector-resident configuration file in the Configuration File Editor. The Editor is covered in detail in “Configuration File Editor” on page 136. This function does *not* open a PC-resident configuration file. To do that, use the **File | Open local preference file** menu command.

- The **Edit | Load ROI** command lets you choose a PC-resident ROI file for transfer to the InSpector. The file's ROIs will be loaded directly into the current spectrum.
- The **Edit | Load ASF** command lets you choose an ASF (Analysis Sequence File) resident on your PC for transfer to the InSpector.

### View

The View command lets you review a spectrum file still resident in the InSpector's memory.

## Connect Function

The **Connect** button connects the InSpector to your PC through the supplied USB cable. ActiveSync must be running so the Maintenance Utility and the InSpector can communicate. See "Installing the Communications Software" (page 114) for installation instructions.

1. Referring to "Connecting the InSpector's Cables" on page 156, connect the supplied InSpector USB cable between the InSpector and any USB port on your PC. Only one InSpector may be connected at a time.
2. When ActiveSync starts, it will ask you if you want to establish a partnership.
3. Select No, then Next. It's not necessary to synchronize information.
4. You'll be connected as a Guest.
5. If you connect the InSpector to the PC while the Maintenance Utility is running, you may have to select the Maintenance Utility Connect button to notify the program that the InSpector is now connected.
6. You can disconnect the InSpector from the PC at any time unless you have a setup information file open in the Maintenance Utility or are transferring data.

**Note:** Due to the way ActiveSync works, you may sometimes experience a connection failure when communicating between the PC and the InSpector. If this happens, disconnect the InSpector's USB cable, then reconnect it. This should re-establish the connection.

## Suppressing the ActiveSync Connection Wizard

Add the following key to the registry to suppress the ActiveSync Connection Wizard each time the connection is established.

```
[HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows CE Services]
"GuestOnly"=dword:00000001
```

If the key is missing or if the GuestOnly value is missing or set to zero, the dialog requesting you to set up a partnership will appear each time the connection is established. When key is present and its GuestOnly value is set to 1, the connection is established without the Wizard appearing.

## Edit Function

The **Edit** button, like the **Edit | Settings** menu command, opens the local (InSpector-resident) configuration (settings) file in the Configuration Editor. The Editor is covered in detail in “Configuration Editor” (page 136).

This function cannot open a PC-resident configuration file. To do that, use the **File | Open local preference file** menu command.

## Get Function

The **Get** button lets you transfer data from the InSpector to your PC. To use this command, the units must be connected with the supplied USB cable. See “Connecting the InSpector to the PC” (page 126).

### Enforce Use of Genie 2000 Folders

Canberra recommends that the “Enforce use of Genie 2000 folders” checkbox remain checked. For advanced users, you can override the default folder location by turning off the option.

**Note:** When files are transferred between the InSpector 1000 and the host PC, the file is “fixed up” so that the internal folder locations are appropriately set to match the Genie environment. If you choose to transfer your files to locations other than the standard Genie folders (the “Enforce use of Genie 2000 folders” option is *not* checked), you may have difficulty reanalyzing them.

## Transferring Files

You can select from the following types of files to transfer from the InSpector to your PC:

- Analysis Sequence (\*.asf)
- Certificate (\*.ctf)
- Efficiency Calibration (\*.cal)
- Energy Calibration (\*.cal)
- Nuclide Library (\*.nlb)
- Probe Family Characteristics (\*.pfd)
- ROI Definition (\*.roi)
- Spectrum (\*.cnf)

To transfer the selected file, perform the following steps:

1. Select the Maintenance Program's **Get** button.
2. By default, spectrum files (CNF) are copied to the PC. This can be changed from the InSpector 1000 Files drop-down list. See Figure 87.

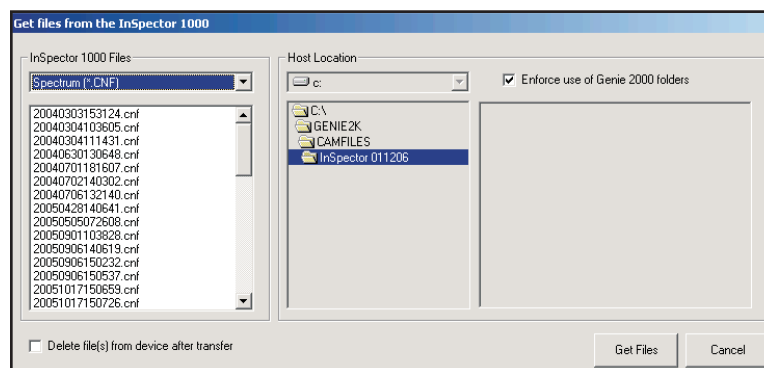


Figure 87 The Get Files List

3. Select the file or files to be copied from the list box on the left.



- The destination folder on the host PC is shown in the center and the files in that directory are displayed on the right. By default, spectrum files are copied to a subfolder named for the InSpector's ID (not the Sample Information ID) entered on the Configuration Editor's General Page (page 141).

Note: If you choose to transfer your files to locations other than the standard Genie folders (the "Enforce use of Genie 2000 folders" option is *not* checked), you may have difficulty reanalyzing them.

- To delete spectrum files from the InSpector after they have been copied, check the "Delete file(s) from device after transfer" checkbox.
- Select the **Get Files** button to copy the selected files.

## Special Count Settings Files

When you transfer files from the InSpector to your PC for the Special Count setting (\*.cal,\*.asf) the "Enforce use of Genie 2000 Folders" checkbox is unchecked and disabled. To transfer the selected special count file, perform the following steps:

- Select the Maintenance Program's **Get** button.
- From the "InSpector 1000 Files" drop-down list, select Special Count Settings (ASF, CAL). See Figure 88.

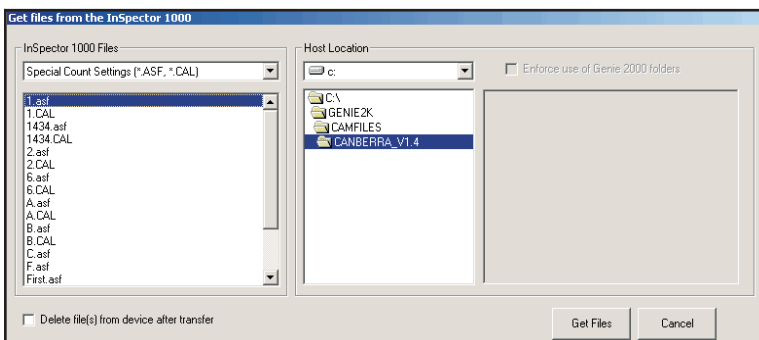


Figure 88 The Get Files List for Special Count Settings

- Select the file or files to be copied from the list box on the left.

4. The destination folder on the host PC is shown in the center and the files in that directory are displayed on the right. By default, the files for the special count setting are copied to a subfolder named for the current InSpector's software version number.
5. To delete the transferred files from the InSpector after they have been copied, check the "Delete file(s) from device after transfer" checkbox.
6. Select the **Get Files** button to copy the selected files.

## Send Function

The **Send** button lets you transfer data from your PC to the InSpector. To use this command, the units must be connected with the supplied USB cable. See "Connecting the InSpector to the PC" on page 126.

### Enforce Use of Genie 2000 Folders

Canberra recommends that the "Enforce use of Genie 2000 folders" checkbox remain checked. For advanced users, you can override the default folder location by turning off the option.

Note: When files are transferred between the InSpector 1000 and the host PC, the file is "fixed up" so that the internal folder locations are appropriately set to match the Genie environment. If you choose to transfer your files to locations other than the standard Genie folders (the option is *not* checked), you may have difficulty reanalyzing them.

## Transferring Files

To transfer the selected file, perform the following:

1. Select the Maintenance Program's **Send** button.
2. The Send dialog defaults to spectrum (CNF) files. This can be changed in the file type list box. See Figure 89.

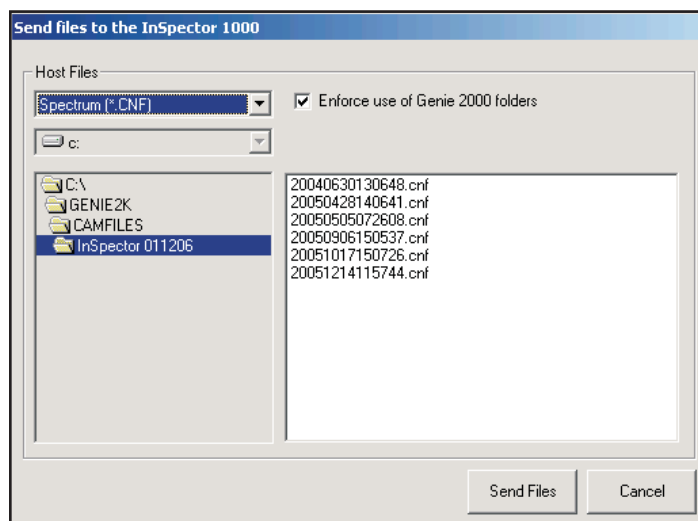


Figure 89 The Send Files List

3. Select the file or files to be copied from the list box on the right.
4. The source folder on the host PC is shown on the left and the files in that directory are displayed on the right. By default, spectrum files are copied from a subfolder named for the InSpector's ID (not the Sample Information ID) entered on the Configuration Editor's General Page (page 141).

Note: If you choose to transfer your files to locations other than the standard Genie folders (the "Enforce use of Genie 2000 folders" option is *not* checked), you may have difficulty reanalyzing them.

5. Select the **Send Files** button to copy the selected files.

## Special Count Settings Files

When you transfer files for the Special Count setting (\*.cal, \*.asf) the "Enforce use of Genie 2000 Folders" checkbox is unchecked and disabled. To transfer the selected special count file, perform the following steps:

1. Select the Maintenance Program's **Send** button.
2. From the "Host Files" drop-down list, select Special Count Settings (ASF, CAL). See Figure 90.

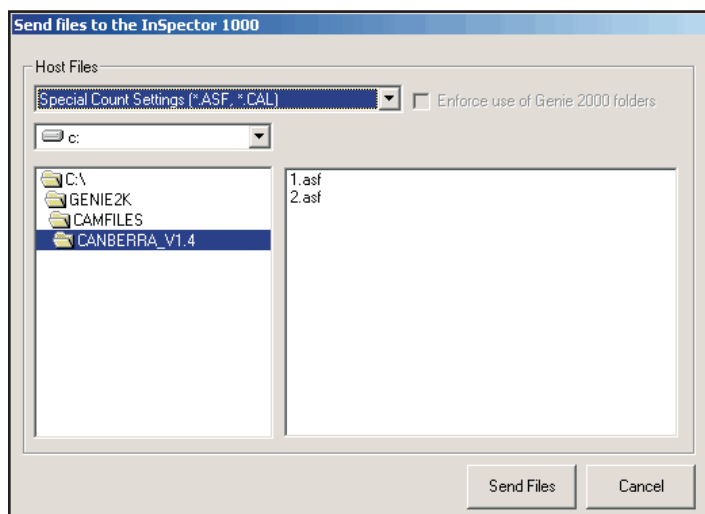


Figure 90 The Send Files List for Special Count Settings

3. Select the file or files to be copied from the list box on the right.
4. The source folder on the host PC is shown on the left and the files in that directory are displayed on the right. By default, special count setting files are copied from a subfolder named for the InSpector's ID (not the Sample Information ID) entered on the Configuration Editor's General Page (page 141).

## Viewing an InSpector Spectrum

You can use the View Spectrum function to preview a spectrum file located on the InSpector, and optionally, upload it to your PC.

1. Select View | Spectrum from the menu bar
2. A list of the InSpector's spectrum files will be displayed (Figure 91). Highlight a file then select **Open**

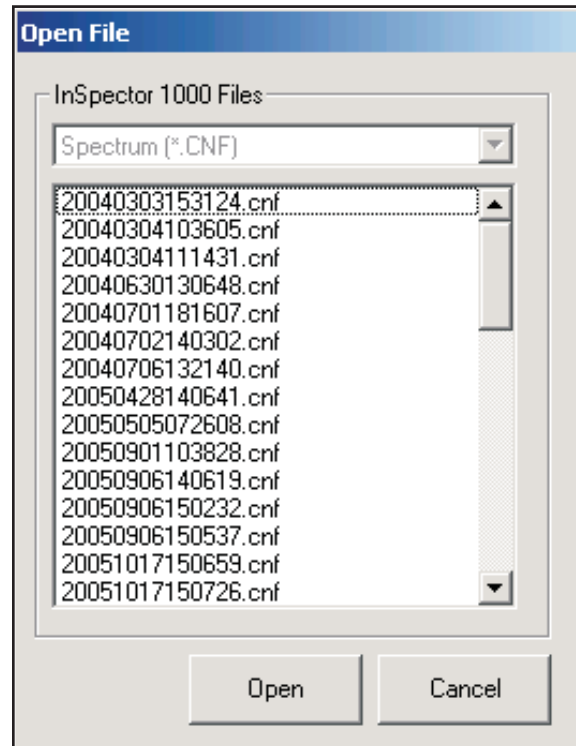


Figure 91 The View Files List

3. The spectrum file will be retrieved from the InSpector and displayed (Figure 92).
4. If you'd like to copy the spectrum to your PC, select **Save**. The Utility will offer to copy the spectrum to the Genie 2000 spectrum files directory:  
C:\GENIE2K\CAMFILES.
5. Enter a file name and select **Save**.

6. To close the spectrum display, select **OK**.

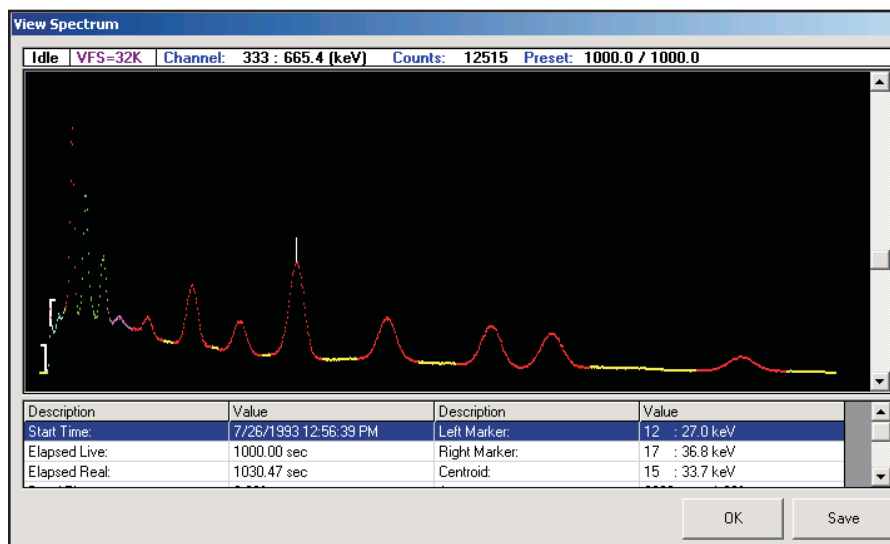


Figure 92 Viewing a Spectrum

## Sending ROI Sets

ROI sets can be transferred in two ways:

- Use the Send function to transfer one or more ROI files to the InSpector. Then use the InSpector's Spec | Display | ROI | Load function to load one of the files.
- Use the Edit | Load ROI function to select a local (on your PC) ROI file from which a set of ROIs will be loaded directly (Figure 93).

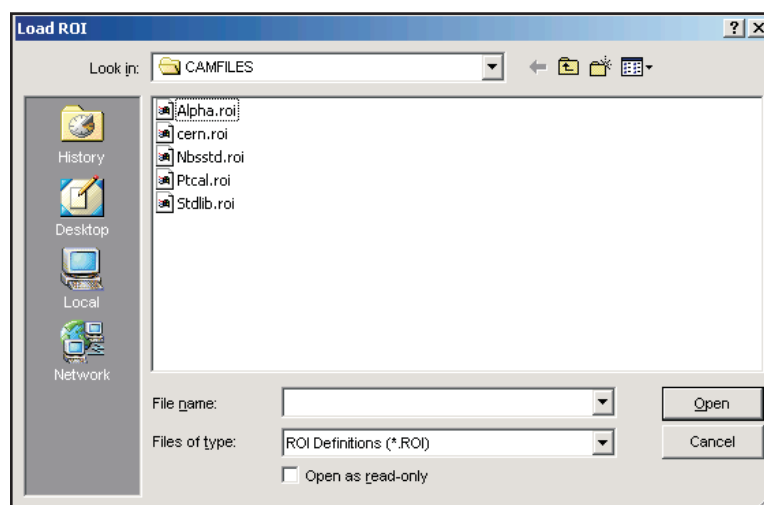


Figure 93 Selecting an ROI File

## Defining Spectrum ROIs

To create a ROI (Regions of Interest) file, follow these five steps:

1. Allow the spectrum analysis to define them automatically either...
  - ▶ On the InSpector, or
  - ▶ In Genie 2000's Gamma Acquisition and Analysis program. If you choose this method, you'll first have to use the Maintenance Utility's Get function to download a spectrum file to your PC.

An ROI will be created for each peak found in the spectrum. Note that a peak region may contain more than one peak. On the InSpector, a **blue ROI** has been associated with a nuclide. A **red ROI** contains an unidentified peak.

2. Use the Display | ROI menu and the internal markers in Gamma Acquisition and Analysis.
3. Use the Gamma Acquisition and Analysis program's Display | ROIs | Store function to create an ROI file in a spectrum on your PC.
4. Use the Maintenance Utility's Send function to upload the ROI file to the InSpector.
5. On the InSpector, use Spec | Display | ROI | Load to load the ROI file into the spectrum. These ROIs will replace the analysis-generated ROIs, if any.

## Configuration File Editor

In addition to changing the InSpector's configuration in the Setup Mode, you can also change it via the Maintenance Utility's Configuration File Editor. The Editor is opened by selecting the Edit icon on the Maintenance Utility's main screen.

Note: Editing settings via the Configuration File Editor will clear the InSpector's current acquisition data and analysis results.

## Saving the Configuration

When editing is complete, select OK. The edited configuration file will immediately be downloaded to the InSpector and replace the existing file.

## Editing a Configuration File on Your PC

If you have many InSpector 1000 units, and plan to configure them identically, it may be useful to have a single configuration file available on your PC, copying it manually to each InSpector.

1. Connect one of the InSpector 1000s to your PC.
2. Use the Maintenance Utility to configure the InSpector according to your needs. Be sure to close the utility's Configuration File editor when finished.
3. Select Setup | Allow Remote Configuration on the InSpector.
4. Use Windows CE Explorer on the PC to find the InSpector's configuration file: select **My Computer**, then browse to **GenieCE\Ctlfiles\In1kprefs.cnf** and copy it to your PC.
5. Press the InSpector's Enter key to cancel the remote setup mode.
6. If desired, more changes can be made to the file using File | Open Local Preference File.
7. To copy the preference file to another InSpector:
  - a. Connect that InSpector to the PC.
  - b. Enable the InSpector's Setup | Allow Remote Setup function (page 111) to allow access to the InSpector file.



- c. Use Windows CE Explorer to copy the In1kprefs.cnf file from the PC to Mobile Device\GenieCE\Ctlfiles.
- d. Disable the Allow Remote Setup function to return the InSpector to the normal operating mode.

## The Menus Page

The checkboxes on the Menus page (Figure 94) let you change access to the InSpector's soft buttons of the same name. To disable a menu button, such as the InSpector's Setup Mode button, uncheck its checkbox. When the configuration is saved to the InSpector, the disabled buttons will no longer be seen in the InSpector's menus.

Note: The Dose, Loc, NID or Spec button may be grayed out, depending on the Home Mode selected on the General Page (page 141).

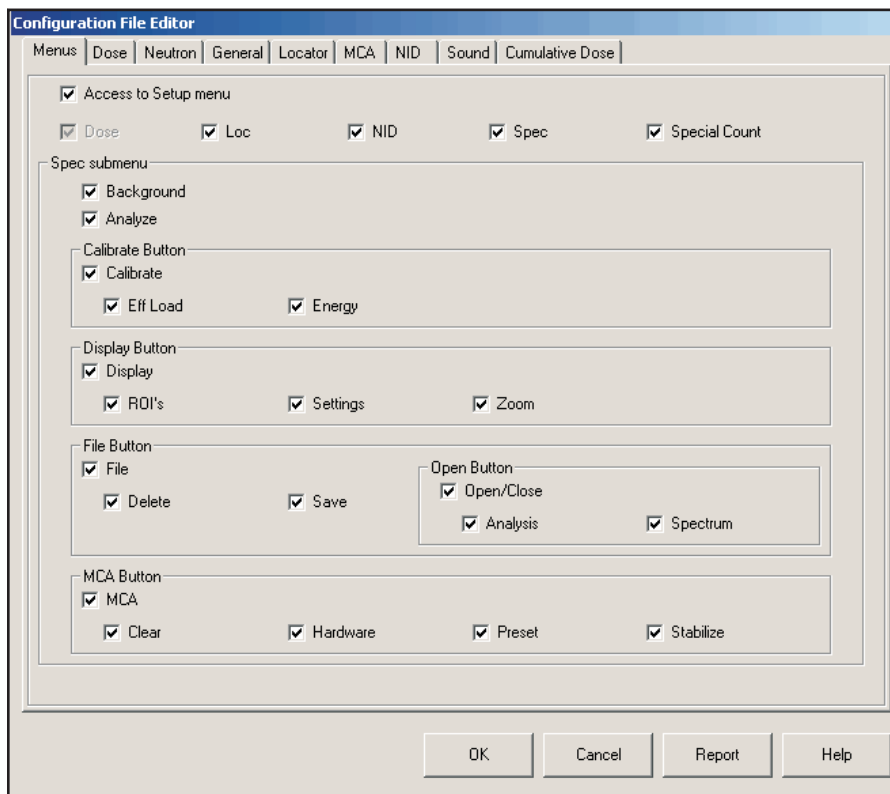


Figure 94 The Menus Page

## The Dose Page

The Dose Page (Figure 95) provides options regarding dose display and alarms. Options for the annunciator (which is driven by either dose rate or count rate) are also provided on this page.

**Configuration File Editor**

Menu | **Dose** | Neutron | General | Locator | MCA | NID | Sound | Cumulative Dose

**Dose**

Units: mrem /h

Rate Range: 100 mrem/h

**Dose Rate Warning**

☒ Enabled

Threshold: 2 mrem/h

**Dose Rate Alarms**

☒ Enabled

Threshold: 100 mrem/h

**Annunciator**

Mode: Gamma Count Rate

Tone: Beep

Beep scaling factor: 0.034

Beep threshold: 100

Tone alpha factor: 0.0127

Tone ref frequency: 27.5

Tone beta factor: 24

OK Cancel Report Help

Figure 95 The Dose Page

- **Dose Units:** The unit in which dose rate is to be displayed. This setting affects all dose and dose rate displays on the InSpector and the Configuration File Editor.
- **Rate Range:** The range over which dose rate is to be displayed. The units are determined by the setting in Dose Units.
- **Dose Rate Warning: Enabled:** a warning is generated if the dose rate exceeds Threshold.

- Dose Rate Alarm: Enabled: an alarm is generated if the dose rate exceeds Threshold.

#### Annunciator Mode:

- Off: the annunciator is turned off.
- Gamma Dose Rate: the annunciator is driven by the gamma dose rate.
- Gamma Count Rate: the annunciator is driven by the gamma count rate.
- Neutron Count Rate: the annunciator is driven by the neutron count rate.

#### Annunciator Tone:

- Beep: the annunciator clicks at a rate dependent on the dose or count rate. No sound is made when the dose rate or count rate is below the Beep threshold (see below).
- FM Linear: the annunciator makes a continuous tone, whose frequency depends on the dose rate or count rate.
- FM Log: the annunciator makes a continuous tone, whose frequency depends on the dose rate or count rate.
  - ▶ Tone alpha factor: used in FM Linear mode.
  - ▶ Tone ref frequency: used in FM Linear mode.
  - ▶ Tone beta factor: used in FM Log mode.

Beep scaling factor: used to convert the dose rate or count rate to beep frequency; see above.

Beep threshold: the dose rate or count rate below which no sound will be made in Beep mode.

## The Neutron Page

The Neutron Page (Figure 96) provides options regarding neutron measurement and alarms.

Configuration File Editor

Menu | Dose | **Neutron** | General | Locator | MCA | NID | Sound | Cumulative Dose

Neutron

High Voltage

☒ On

☐ Off

Dwell-time: 1 seconds

Validation Trigger Number: 2

CPS rate range: 0-100 cps

Neutron Count Rate Alarm

☒ Enabled

Threshold: 30 cps

OK Cancel Report Help

Figure 96 The Neutron Page

- **High Voltage:** Turns the neutron probes bias voltage On or Off. Note: The standard InSpector 1000 application ignores this setting and leaves the neutron probe bias voltage on at all times while it is running.
- **Dwell-time:** Sets the neutron measurement dwell-time in seconds. A whole number from 1 to 60 must be entered. The default is 1 second.
- **Validation Trigger Number:** Sets the number of consecutive times the neutron alarm threshold must be crossed before an alarm is triggered. A whole number from 1 to 32 must be entered. The default is 2.

- CPS rate range: Selects a neutron count range for the bar graph displays. 0-100, 0-1000 and 0-10000 cps ranges are available. The default is 0-100 cps.
- Neutron Count Rate Alarm Enabled: an alarm is generated if the neutron count rate exceeds Threshold for the number of consecutive intervals specified by the Validation Trigger Number.

## The General Page

The General settings (Figure 97) apply to all modes of InSpector operation. The Sample Information settings supply the default values for descriptive information that will be saved with spectral data. This data is purely for reporting purposes if saved spectra are brought back to a host PC. None of these values have any significance in analysis except the quantity.

**Configuration File Editor**

Menu | Dose | Neutron | **General** | Locator | MCA | NID | Sound | Cumulative Dose

**General**

☐ Force RECAL when instrument started      ☐ Easy Mode of Operation  
☐ Auto Save

Language: English      Backlight Timeout: 30 seconds

Menu Timeout: 20 seconds      Home Mode: DOSELOGDIAL

Instrument ID: 011206

**Sample Information**

ID:      Quantity: 1

Title: InSpector 1000 spectrum

Collector Name:      Location:

Type:

OK   Cancel   Report   Help

Figure 97 The General Page

### General

- Force RECAL when instrument started: forces an automatic energy calibration (via the AUTO RECAL function) each time the InSpector is started.

Note: An IPRON-1, -2 or -3 probe must be allowed to warm up for at least 5 minutes to achieve the gain stability required for successful calibration. Because of this, the “Force RECAL when instrument started” feature should not be used with these probes.

- Easy Mode of Operation: sets the InSpector for the Easy Mode (defaults to LOCATOR screen).
- Auto Save: available when the Easy Mode of Operation is selected, will set the InSpector to automatically save the spectrum after an acquisition and analysis cycle is complete.
- Language: the language to be used. If the selected language is not installed on the InSpector, English will be used.
- Backlight Timeout: how long the screen backlight stays on after the InSpector becomes inactive (about 20 seconds after the last time the screen or keypad was touched).
- Menu Timeout: how long the menu stays visible.
- Home Mode: the mode in which the InSpector starts, and which the Home button activates.
- Instrument ID: the name or identifying code for this InSpector. This field is not available when editing in off-line mode (see Editing the Configuration Off-Line (page 136)).

### Sample Information

Note: ID, Quantity and Collector Name can also be entered through the InSpector's Sample Info dialog (page 82).

- ID: A single-word identification of the sample being measured.
- Quantity: the amount of sample being measured. Calculated activities are divided by this value. If the quantity is set to 1 (the default), total activity is reported. If any other value is entered, concentration is reported. The quantity units (e.g., grams) can be entered in the field to the right of the quantity.
- Title: a free-form description of the sample.

- Collector Name: the name of the person who collected or measured the sample.
- Location: where the sample was collected.
- Type: the sample type.

## The Locator Page

This parameters on this page (Figure 98) configure the Locator Mode.

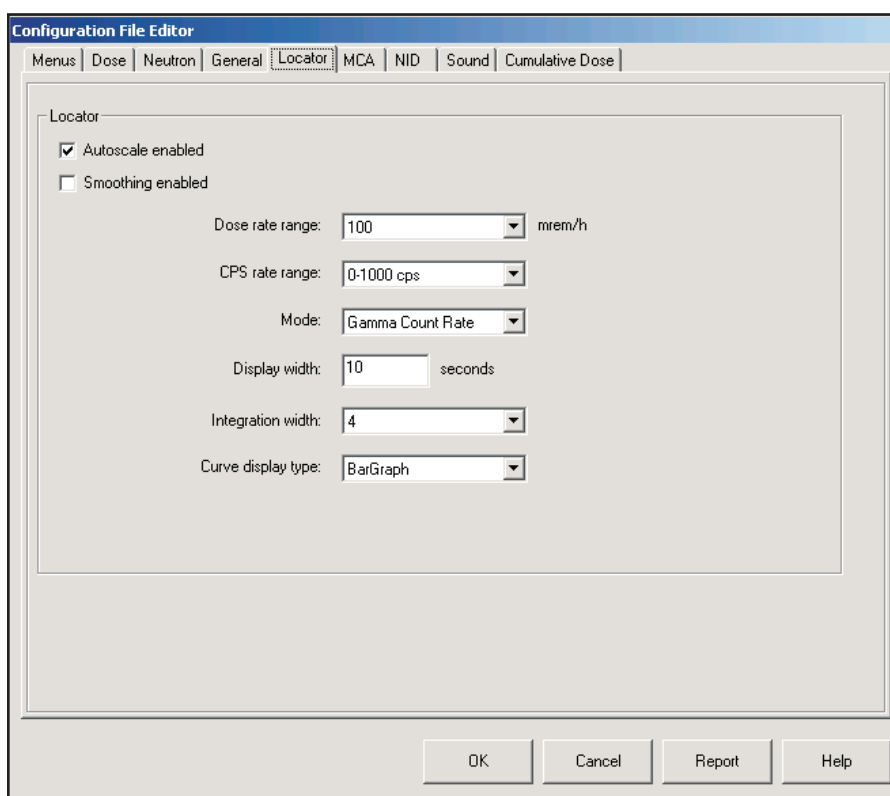


Figure 98 The Locator Page

- Autoscale enabled: the vertical scale of the chart is rescaled automatically so that all data is visible.
- Smoothing enabled: the data is averaged to reduce quick fluctuations. The degree of smoothing is set by Integration width (see below), with larger values smoothing the data more.

- Dose rate range: if Autoscale is not enabled, this parameter sets the vertical scale of the chart when Dose Rate is displayed. The units are those selected in Dose Units on the Dose Page.
- CPS rate range: if Autoscale is not enabled, this parameter sets the vertical scale of the chart when CPS (count rate) is displayed. Regardless of the Autoscale setting, this parameter also sets the upper limit of the Input Count Rate bargraph.
- Mode: indicates if Gamma Count Rate, Gamma Dose Rate or Neutron Count Rate is to be displayed.
- Display width: the amount of data displayed, in seconds.
- Integration width: the number of data points to be averaged (see Smoothing, above).
- Curve display type: how the chart is drawn.



## The MCA Page

The MCA Page (Figure 99) provides options specific to the display of spectrum data.

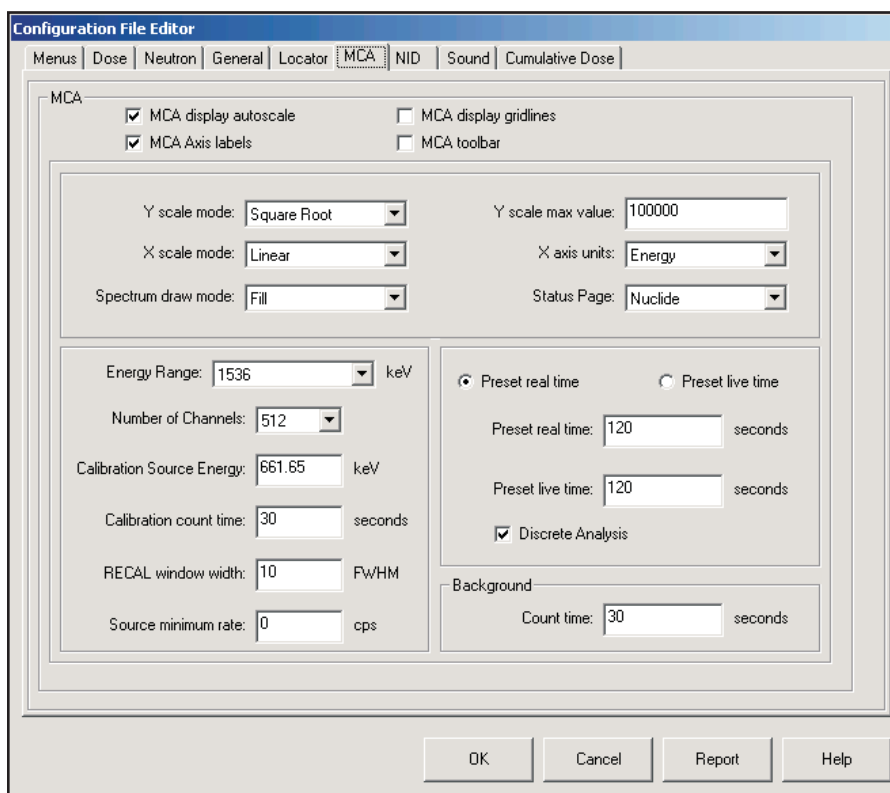


Figure 99 The MCA Page

- MCA display autoscale: sets the vertical scale of the spectrum display to automatically display all data.
- MCA Axis labels: removes axes, tick marks and labels from the display.
- MCA display gridlines: an x-y grid is overlaid on the spectrum.
- MCA toolbar: enables display of a toolbar at the right of the spectrum, letting you toggle autoscale, cycle through Y scale max values, zoom in and zoom out.
- Y scale mode: the mode of display for the Counts axis.
- X scale mode: the mode of display for the Channels/Energy axis.

- Spectrum draw mode: how the spectrum is displayed; choices are:
- Points: a single dot is shown for each channel value.
- Line: a connected line is drawn between the highest channel values.
- Fill: same as Line, but the area below the curve is filled in.
- Y scale max value: if Autoscale is not enabled, sets the vertical scale of the spectrum display in counts.
- X axis units: if Axis labels are enabled, determines whether the X axis is shown as Channels or Energy.
- Status page: sets the default Info page displayed below the spectrum.

The following setting controls the length of data acquisition:

- Preset Live or Real time: indicates whether counting is to be done for live time or real time. The default preset times, in seconds, for each mode are entered below. A value of zero indicates an infinite count time.
- Discrete Analysis: when both Discrete Analysis and a Preset Time are enabled, analysis will not start until data acquisition is complete.

The following setting controls the length of background acquisition.

- Background Count time: controls the duration of background acquisition.

### **New Probe Parameters**

The following settings are used when a new probe (detector) is connected.

- Energy Range: the approximate energy range desired.
- Number of Channels: the number of channels used in the spectrum. The possible choices depend on Energy Range:
  - ▶ Range is 384 keV: 256 or 512 channels.
  - ▶ Range is 768 keV: 256, 512 or 1024 channels.
  - ▶ Range is 1536 keV: 256, 512, 1024 or 2048 channels.
  - ▶ Range is 3072 keV: 256, 512, 1024, 2048, or 4096 channels.

The following settings are used in energy recalibration functions (AUTO RECAL and MANUAL RECAL):

Calibration Source Energy: the energy, in keV, of the calibration source peak. The RECAL functions will change the gain of the MCA so that this peak appears in the proper channel.

Calibration count time: used in automatic recalibration (AUTO RECAL), the initial count time for which the calibration source is collected. If the calibration peak cannot be found on the first pass, collection will be resumed for a second try, for a total count time of three times this value.

RECAL window width: used in automatic recalibration (AUTO RECAL), the size of the region, in FWHM, in which the function will attempt to find the calibration source peak. If a Source Minimum Rate is specified for the calibration peak (see below) and the peak is not found on the first try, the size of the region will be expanded by 50%.

Source minimum rate: used in automatic recalibration (AUTO RECAL), the minimum expected net count rate of the calibration peak.

## The NID Page

The NID mode displays identified nuclides and either a gamma dose rate, conforming to settings on the Dose tab, or a gamma count rate, using the range indicated on the Locator tab. If a neutron probe is connected, a neutron count rate bar graph is displayed, conforming to the settings on the Neutron tab.

The parameters on this page (Figure 100) determine the NID Mode's display.

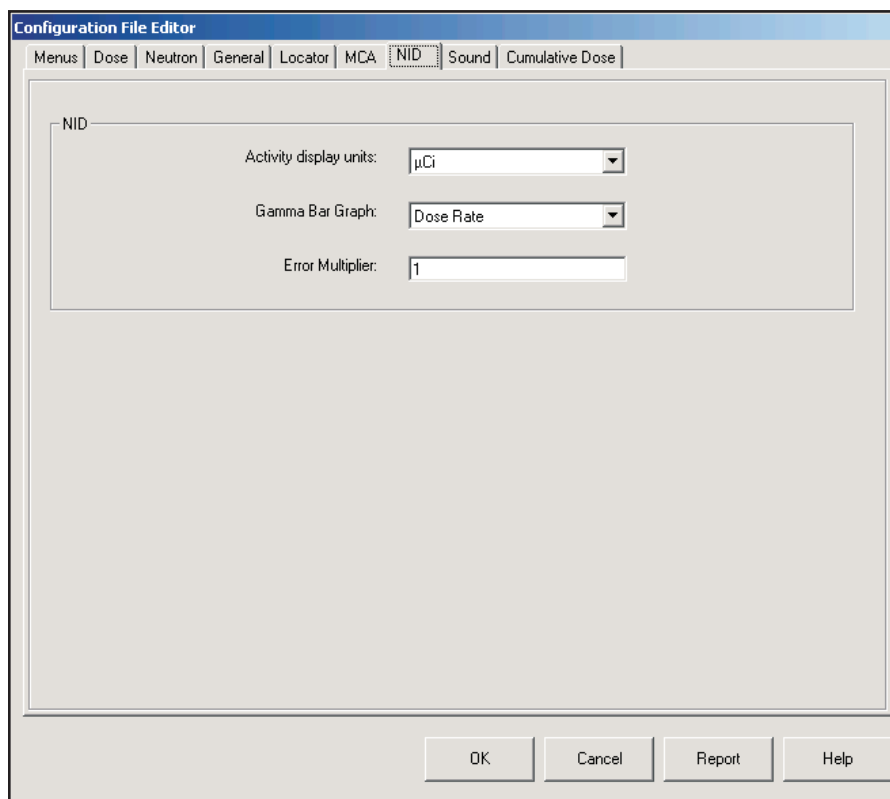


Figure 100 The NID Page

- Activity display units: sets the activity units for the display, Bq or µCi.
- Gamma Bar Graph: choose either gamma dose rate or gamma count rate for the bar graph display.
- Error Multiplier: factor used when reporting uncertainty values. Errors are reported at 'n' sigma, where 'n' is the specified error factor. Note that all uncertainty values are calculated and stored at 1 sigma.

## The Sound Page

The tabbed sections of the Sound Page control the sounds made when warnings and alarms are generated for Dose Rate, Cumulative Dose, Activity, Low Battery and Neutron (Figures 101–105).

The sound made for each event is determined by four parameters:

- **Sound:** the type of noise made. Some of selections are continuous sounds (such as Siren); some are a single discrete sound, such as Handclap.
- **Note:** the pitch of the sound made. There are a number of choices, ranging from Low C to High G. Some of the selections are combinations of C and G notes.
- **Interval:** the rate, in seconds, at which the sound is made.
- **Length:** how long, in seconds, that the sound is made. The Length field is available only for continuous sounds. (Not applicable to the Low Battery alert.)

### Example

If the sound chosen is Telephone, with Interval of 3 seconds and Length of 1 second, a one second telephone ringing sound will be made every three seconds for as long as the event persists.

### Master Volume

Sets the speaker volume for all sounds. Range: 10–100%, in increments of 10%.

The screenshot shows the 'Dose Rate' tab selected in the Configuration File Editor. The 'Dose Rate' section contains two sub-sections: 'Warning' and 'Alarm'. The 'Warning' section has four parameters: Sound (Siren), Note (Hi C), Interval (3 seconds), and Length (1 seconds). The 'Alarm' section has three parameters: Sound (Siren), Note (Hi C), and Length (Forever seconds). At the bottom of the window, there is a 'Master Volume' slider set to 100%.

Figure 101 The Dose Rate Sound Page

Dose Rate	<b>Cumulative Dose</b>	Activity	Low Battery	Neutron
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Cumulative Dose

Warning

Sound: Sin Wave

Note: Hi C

Interval: 3 seconds

Length: 1 seconds

Alarm

Sound: Sin Wave

Note: Hi C

Length: Forever seconds

Master Volume: 100 %

Figure 102 The Cumulative Dose Sound Page

Dose Rate	Cumulative Dose	<b>Activity</b>	Low Battery	Neutron
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Activity

Warning

Sound: Whistle

Note: Low C+G

Interval: 3 seconds

Length: 1 seconds

Alarm

Sound: Whistle

Note: Low C+G

Length: Forever seconds

Master Volume: 100 %

Figure 103 The Activity Sound Page

Dose Rate	Cumulative Dose	Activity	<b>Low Battery</b>	Neutron
<div>Low Battery</div> <div> Sound: <input type="text" value="Cowbell"/> </div> <div> Note: <input type="text" value="Mid C"/> </div> <div> Interval: <input type="text" value="2"/> seconds </div>				
Master Volume: <input type="text" value="100"/> %				

Figure 104 The Low Battery Sound Page

Dose Rate	Cumulative Dose	Activity	Low Battery	<b>Neutron</b>
<div>Neutron</div> <div> <div>Alarm</div> <div> Sound: <input type="text" value="Rectangle"/> </div> <div> Note: <input type="text" value="Mid G"/> </div> <div> Length: <input type="text" value="Forever"/> seconds </div> </div>				
Master Volume: <input type="text" value="100"/> %				

Figure 105 The Neutron Alarm Sound Page

## The Cumulative Dose Page

The parameters on this page (Figure 106) set the default conditions for Cumulative Dose.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Configuration File Editor" with a menu bar containing "Menus", "Dose", "Neutron", "General", "Locator", "MCA", "NID", "Sound", and "Cumulative Dose". The "Cumulative Dose" menu item is selected. The main area contains the following settings:

- ☒ Enable Cumulative Dose clear
- Cumulative Dose
  - Range: 1000 mrem
  - Warning
    - ☒ Enabled
    - Threshold: 100 mrem
  - Alarms
    - ☒ Enabled
    - Threshold: 500 mrem

At the bottom of the window are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Report", and "Help".

Figure 106 The Cumulative Dose Page

The InSpector 1000 keeps a running total of the dose since the Cumulative Dose memory was last cleared and displays it in Dose mode.

- Enable Cumulative dose clear: check to allow the Clear Cumulative Dose function in the Setup Mode to be accessed. Uncheck to prohibit clearing the dose memory while the InSpector is powered up. Note that no matter how this parameter is set, cumulative dose is always cleared when the InSpector's power is turned on.
- Range: sets the scale of the cumulative dose display in Dose mode. The units are those selected in Dose Units on the Dose page.
- Warning Enabled: a warning is generated if the cumulative dose exceeds Threshold.
- Alarm Enabled: an alarm is generated if the cumulative dose exceeds Threshold.



## Printing the Configuration File

To both create and save a text file and produce a printout of the current configuration file, click on **Report**, then click on **Print**. If you click on **OK** instead of **Print**, the file will not be printed. The text file will be created and will be saved to the default save path, C:\GENIE2K\REPFILES\IN1KPREFS.RPT. Editing the RPT file has no effect; changes can be made only through the Configuration File Editor (page 136).

## The Default Configuration Settings

The following default parameters are restored to the InSpector when the Setup | Reset Defaults function is invoked (page 112).

**Note:** If the Easy Mode of Operation parameter, under General Instrument Settings, is set to Disabled, the Home Mode parameter above it is initially set to DOSELOGDIAL.

```
Instrument serial number      :
Instrument identification      : ??
```

### General Instrument Settings

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```
Language                     : English
Backlight timeout            : 30 seconds
Menu timeout                  : 10 seconds
Home Mode                     : DOSELOGDIAL
Do calibration adjustment at startup : Disabled
Easy Mode of Operation        : Enabled
Auto Save                     : Disabled
```

### Menus

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```
Access to Setup menu         : Enabled
DOSE button                   : Enabled
LOC button                    : Enabled
NID button                    : Enabled
SPEC button                   : Enabled
SPECIAL COUNT button         : Disabled
SPECBKD button                : Enabled
SPECANALYZE button           : Enabled
SPECALIBRATE button           : Enabled
SPECALIBRATEEFFICIENCYLOAD button : Enabled
SPECALIBRATEENERGY/SHAPE button : Enabled
SPECDISPLAY button           : Enabled
SPECDISPLAYROI button         : Enabled
SPECDISPLAYSETTINGS button   : Enabled
SPECDISPLAYZOOM button        : Enabled
SPECFile button               : Enabled
SPECFILEDELETE button         : Enabled
SPECFILESAVE button           : Enabled
SPECFILEOPEN/CLOSE button     : Enabled
SPECFILEOPENANALYSIS button   : Enabled
SPECFILEOPENSPECTRUM button   : Enabled
SPECMCA button                : Enabled
SPECMCACLEAR button           : Enabled
```

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SPECMCAHARDWARE button	: Enabled
SPECMCATIME PRESET button	: Enabled
SPECMCASTABILIZE button	: Enabled

### Dose Settings

Gamma Dose display units	: mrem
Gamma Dose rate display range	: 100 mre/h
Gamma Dose warning	: Enabled
Gamma Dose warning threshold	: 20.00 $\mu$ Sv/h
Gamma Dose alarm	: Enabled
Gamma Dose alarm threshold	: 1000.00 $\mu$ Sv/h

Cumulative Gamma Dose clear	: Enabled
Cumulative Gamma Dose range	: 1000
Cumulative Gamma Dose warning	: Enabled
Cumulative Gamma Dose warning threshold	: 1000.00 $\mu$ Sv
Cumulative Gamma Dose alarm	: Enabled
Cumulative Gamma Dose alarm threshold	: 5000.00 $\mu$ Sv

### Neutron Settings

Neutron High Voltage	: On
Dwell-time	: 1 seconds
Validation Trigger Number	: 2
Neutron rate display range	: 100 cps
Neutron alarm	: Enabled
Neutron alarm threshold	: 30

### Annunciator Settings

Annunciator	: Enabled
Annunciator sound type	: Gamma Count Rate
Annunciator beep threshold	: 100.0000
Annunciator beep scaling factor	: 0.0340
Annunciator tone ref frequency	: 27.5000
Annunciator tone alpha factor	: 0.0127
Annunciator tone beta factor	: 24.0000
Annunciator tone mode	: Beep

### Locator Settings

Locator mode	: Gamma Count Rate
Locator autoscale	: Enabled
Locator dose rate range	: 100 mre
Locator CPS rate range	: 0-1000 cps
Locator display width	: 10 seconds
Locator smoothing	: Disabled
Locator integration width	: 4 points
Locator curve display type	: BarGraph

### Default Sample Information

ID	:
Title	: InSpector 1000 spectrum
Quantity	: 1.0
Collector Name	:
Location	:
Type	:

## MCA Settings

MCA display autoscale : Enabled  
 MCA axis labels : Enabled  
 MCA display gridlines : Disabled  
 MCA toolbar : Disabled  
 MCA Y scale mode : Square Root  
 MCA Y scale max value : 100000 counts  
 MCA X scale mode : Linear  
 MCA X axis units : Energy  
 MCA spectrum draw mode : Fill  
 Default MCA status page : Nuclide

Energy range : 1536 keV  
 Number of channels : 512  
 Calibration source energy : 661.65 keV  
 Calibration count time : 30 seconds  
 RECAL search window width : 10 FWHM  
 Calibration source minimum count rate : 0 cps

Preset time mode : Real  
 Preset real time : 120 seconds  
 Preset live time : 120 seconds  
 Discrete Analysis : Enabled

Background count time : 30 seconds

## NID Mode Settings

Activity display units :  $\mu\text{Ci}$   
 Gamma Bar Graph : Dose Rate  
 Error Multiplier : 1.00

## Sound Settings

Master volume : 100%

Gamma Dose warning sound and note : Siren Hi C  
 Gamma Dose warning interval : 3000 ms length: 1000 ms

Gamma Dose alarm sound and note : Siren Hi C  
 Gamma Dose alarm interval : 3000 ms length: 0 ms

Cumulative Gamma Dose warning sound & note : Sin Wave Hi C  
 Cumulative Gamma Dose warning interval : 3000 ms length: 1000 ms

Cumulative Gamma Dose alarm sound and note : Sin Wave Hi C  
 Cumulative Gamma Dose alarm interval : 3000 ms length: 0 ms

Activity warning sound and note : Whistle Low C+G  
 Activity warning interval : 3000 ms length: 1000 ms

Activity alarm sound and note : Whistle Low C+G  
 Activity alarm interval : 3000 ms length: 0 ms

Low battery alarm sound and note : Cowbell Mid C  
 Low battery alarm interval : 2000 ms length: 2000 ms

Neutron alarm sound and note : Rectangle Mid G  
 Neutron alarm interval : 3000 ms length: 0 ms

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### Emergency Restart

If the InSpector should “lock up” (fail to respond to button and touchscreen presses), just press and firmly hold the power button for 90 seconds to turn the unit off. Though you’ll lose any unsaved settings and data, you’ll be able to restart the unit in a normal state.

### Connecting the InSpector’s Cables

This section tells you how to connect the USB and Probe cables to your InSpector. The Gamma Probe connection is on page 157 and the Gamma Probe plus Neutron Probe connections are on page 158.

#### Where to Connect

The communications cable (USB or RS-232) connects to the left connector (marked  in Figure 107). The probe cable connects to the right connector (marked DET).

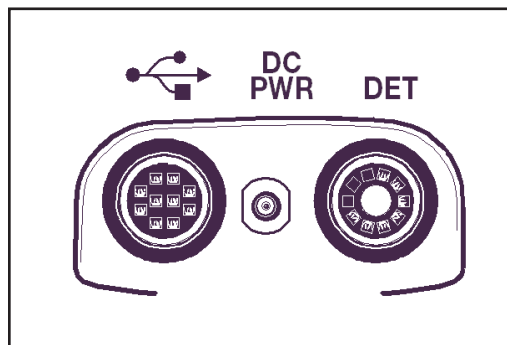


Figure 107 The Cable Connectors

#### How to Connect

To connect a cable, hold the plug at point B (Figure 108), align the guides on the plug and the receptacle, then push straight in. The receptacles’ locations are shown in Figure 107. The plug and receptacle should mate easily; if resistance is felt, stop pushing and realign the guides before trying again.

#### Removing the Cable

To remove the cable, hold the plug at point A and pull straight out.

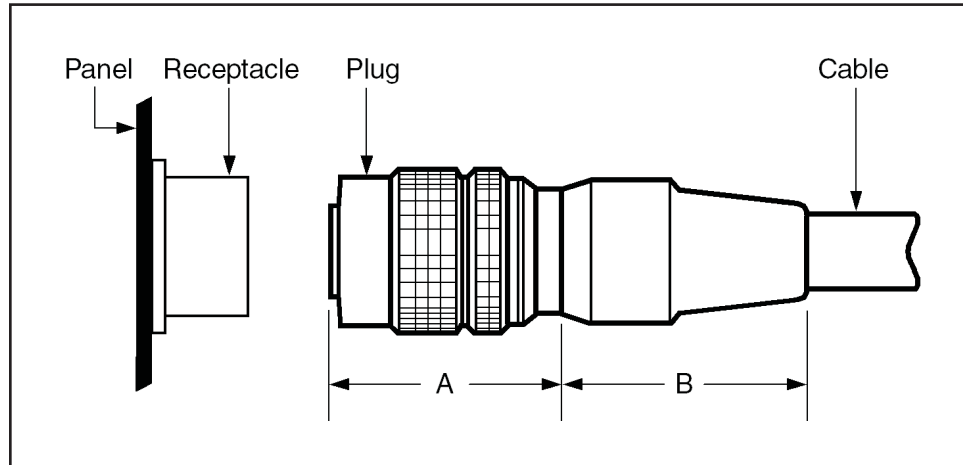


Figure 108 Connecting the Cables

## How to Connect a Gamma Probe

Referring to “Where to Connect” and “How to Connect” on page 156, attach the coiled cable between the single connector on the Gamma Probe and the InSpector’s DET connector (Figure 109).

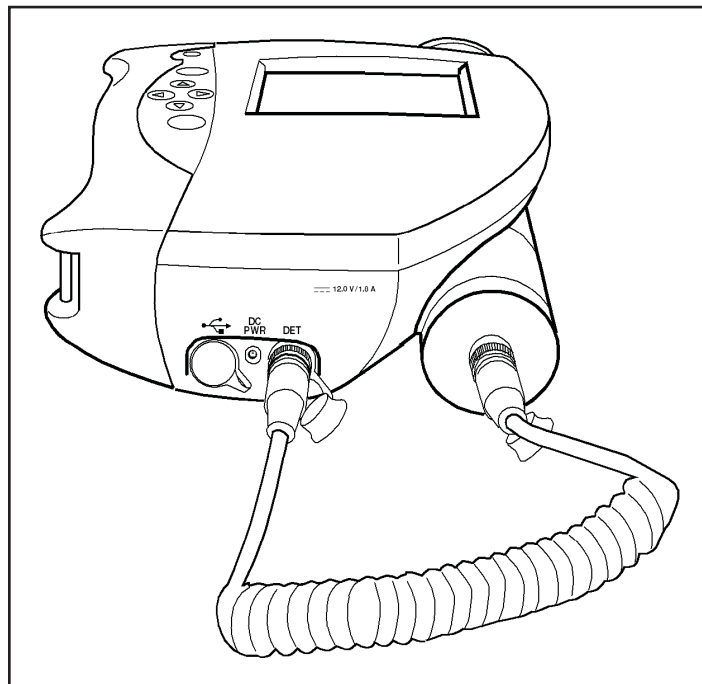


Figure 109 Connecting a Gamma Probe

## How to Connect Both Gamma and Neutron Probes

This procedure connects both a Gamma Probe and a Neutron Probe to the InSpector.

### Preparing the Cable

Before you can use the coiled cable with the Neutron Probe, you'll have to attach the noise-suppression module to the cable.

1. Using a small screwdriver, pry open the supplied noise-suppression module.
2. Place the noise-suppression module over one end of the coiled connecting cable, near the cable's connector (Figure 110) and snap it closed.

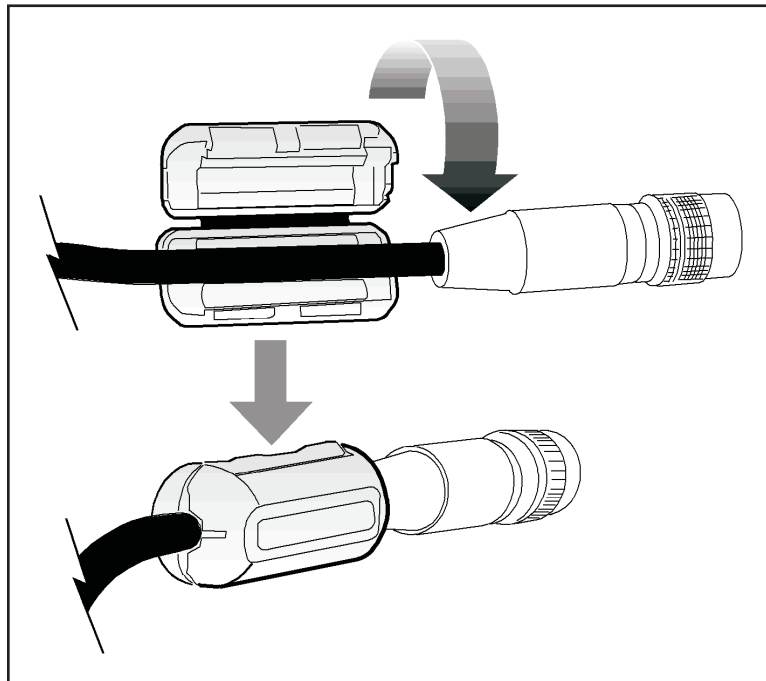


Figure 110 Attaching the Noise-Suppression Module

## Attaching the Probes

1. Referring to “Where to Connect” and “How to Connect” on page 156, attach the end of the coiled cable bearing the noise-suppression module to the  $\gamma$  PROBE connector on the Neutron Probe ❶.

Note: Failure to place the noise-suppression module close to the  $\gamma$  PROBE connector may lead to false neutron counts.

2. Connect the other end of the coiled cable to the single connector on the Gamma Probe ❶.
3. Connect the short cable between the Neutron Probe’s INST connector ❷ and the InSpector’s DET connector ❷ (Figure 111).

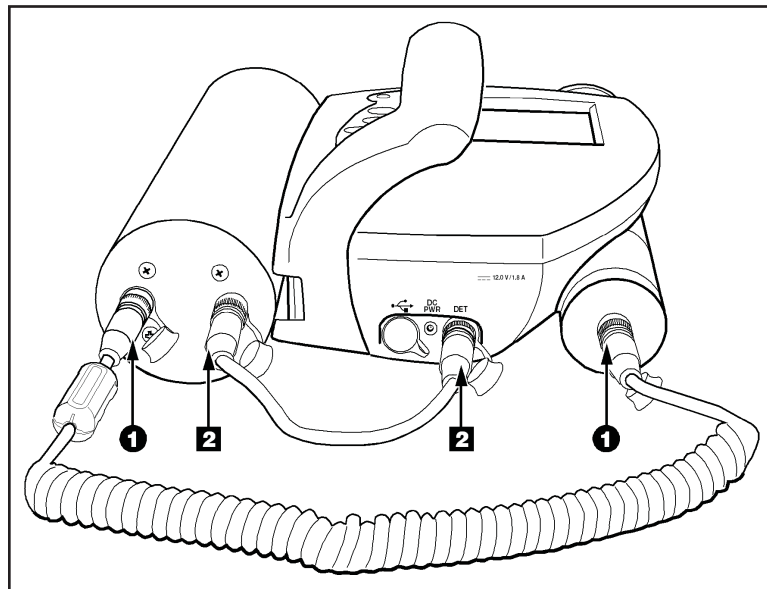


Figure 111 Cabling for Both Probes

## Cleaning the InSpector

In applications or environments where there might be exposure to hazardous chemicals Canberra recommends that you protect the InSpector by putting it in a clear wrap or clear bag.

The InSpector is water resistant, so its exterior can be cleaned with a soft cloth moistened with mild detergent and water, rinsed carefully, then dried thoroughly.



**WARNING** The chemicals listed below must not be used to clean the InSpector. They will react with the unit's case and will cause crazing or stress cracking.

Amines

Esters

Aromatic hydrocarbons

Halogenated hydrocarbons

Ketones

Strong bases, such as ammonia

## LCD Screen Protector

To protect the InSpector's LCD screen from scratches and to reduce screen glare, Canberra recommends you use replaceable LCD screen protectors, such as Fellowes part number 98033, or equivalent.

## Setting the Hardware Gain

The Coarse Gain and Fine Gain controls in the Hardware Setting dialog are factory-set to 1.000. If these values are changed, gamma events over 3 MeV will be lost, resulting in possible underestimation of the dose rate calculated using probe data.

## Alarm Priorities

The InSpector's alarms and warnings occur with the following priorities: 1. Neutron Count Rate Alarm; 2. Dose rate alarm; 3. Cumulative dose alarm; 4. Dose rate warning; 5. Cumulative dose warning; 6. Activity alarm; 7. Activity warning; 8. Battery low warning.

## Location of the GM Tube

In addition to the external gamma probe, the InSpector has an internal Geiger-Müller (GM) tube that is used to extend the dose rate capability well beyond the range of the external probe. It is wrapped with a foil shield to allow for the energy response required to deliver a proper  $H^*(10)$  dose measurement.



The GM tube is mounted inside the case behind its bottom wall. It's located above the three connectors in Figure 112 and 13 mm (0.5 in.) back from the bottom wall. The dashed line in the figure shows the tube's location and the + shows its center.

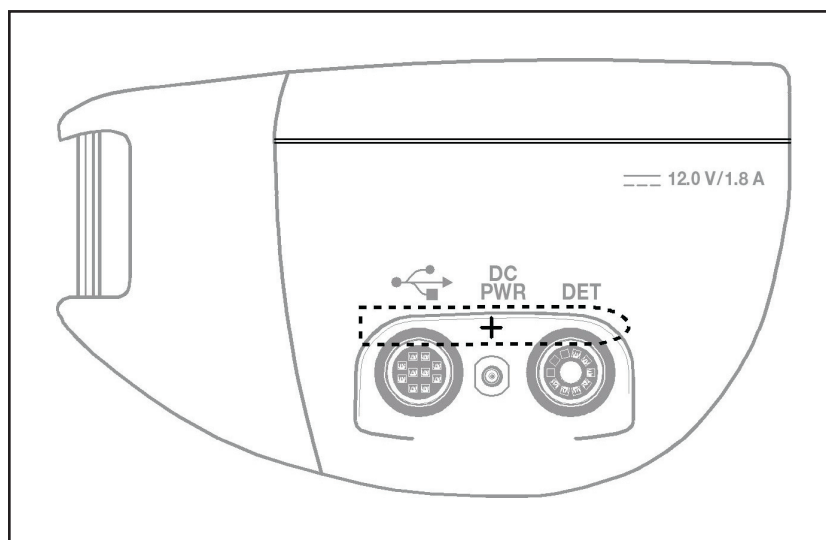


Figure 112 InSpector – Bottom View

## Intelligent Probes

The InSpector 1000 has been designed for use with an intelligent gamma or neutron probe (IProbe), which allows automatic reconfiguration and recalibration whenever the probe is changed. When a new IProbe is first connected to the instrument, it will be interrogated for its serial number and operating parameters, such as probe type (e.g., IPRON-2), operating high voltage, typical resolution, etc.

### Probe Calibration

When an IProbe is connected to an InSpector for the first time, the InSpector will create a calibration file using the default parameters for that probe type. These generic parameters will be used until they are modified via the Maintenance Utility's New Probe Parameters (page 146) or via Energy Calibration (page 71).

When energy and efficiency calibrations have been performed for a specific IProbe, the InSpector retains a permanent record of the calibration information associated with that IProbe.

Before you can use a new IProbe, you must calibrate the system by performing an Auto Recalibration (page 73), using a mono-line source, such as the Model CSRCCS-x (a  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  calibration source).

For the greatest calibration accuracy, follow this with a Full energy calibration (page 77), using a multipeak gamma source, such as Canberra's Model MGS-3 Calibration Standard.

### The Probe's High Voltage

If the high voltage is changed for a particular IProbe, the new value will be stored in the InSpector; the probe itself does not remember the change. Therefore, this probe's default high voltage setting, stored in the probe, will be used when connecting this probe to another InSpector.

### Using a Different Probe

If a different IProbe is attached to this InSpector, the new IProbe's calibration information will be used if it's available in the InSpector's memory. If the new IProbe has not been calibrated with this InSpector, the probe's default calibration will be used.

### The Generic Geometry

The geometry for the generic efficiency calibration assumes a point source 25 cm from the probe.

## Communications Interface Pinout

The communications connector allows for a USB or a diagnostic RS-232 connection to the instrument. The pinout for the InSpector's Communication Interface Connector is shown in the following table.

Pin Number	Signal Description (In/Out Relative to the InSpector)
1	USB Device Power
2	USB Device Data –
3	USB Device Data +
4	USB Device Ground
5	USB Host Power
6	USB Host Data –

<b>Pin Number</b>	<b>Signal Description (In/Out Relative to the InSpector)</b>
7	USB Host Data +
8	USB Host Ground
9	RS-232 Receive
10	RS-232 Transmit

## Probe Connector Pinout

The following table lists the pinout used on the InSpector's DET connector and the IPRON-N Neutron Probe's INST and G-PROBE connectors.

<b>Pin Number</b>	<b>Signal Description (In/Out Relative to the InSpector)</b>
1	HV Control output
2	Probe Clock output
3	Probe Data in/out
4	+5 V dc output
5	−5 V dc output
6	Ground
7	Raw Battery/Adapter power output (Future use)
8	Probe spare 1 (Future use)
9	Probe Transmit Data (Future use)
10	Probe Receive Data (Future use)
Center coax	Energy output from probe

## Probe Format Information

The following example, for the IPRON-3 3x3 NaI Detector Probe, shows the data stored in the probe. When the probe is connected, this information is sent to the InSpector 1000, which uses this information to locate the InSpector's corresponding probe format data (pfd) file.

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<Probe Type="NaI" Version="1.0">
  <Name>Scionix3x3</Name>
  <SerialNumber>1234</SerialNumber>
  <HV>1000</HV>
  <Resolution>12.34</Resolution>
</Probe>
```

The components of the information are:

- In accordance with the XML standard, the data must always start with the `?xml` tag.
- *Probe* must always be the outermost tag. This tag has two possible attributes:
  - ▶ *Type* is the type of probe. An example of a probe type is NaI. This is the default if *Type* is not explicitly specified.
  - ▶ *Version* is optional; it indicates the tag version.
- *Name* must be specified and indicates the class of probe. It indicates to the InSpector which set of characterization data is to be used. Typical names for a few standard probes are:
  - ▶ “Scionix1R5x1R5”: The Scionix 1.5x1.5 NaI detector (Model IPRON-1)
  - ▶ “Scionix2x2”: The Scionix 2x2 NaI detector (Model IPRON-2)
  - ▶ “Scionix3x3”: The Scionix 3x3 NaI detector (Model IPRON-3)

Names for new probes may be added at any time.

- *SerialNumber* is the serial number of the probe; it must be specified. The *SerialNumber* must be from 1 to 16 alphanumeric characters (dash and underscore are allowed). The InSpector will use the serial number to identify probe-specific setup data in the \GenieCE\Hwdfiles folder.

- *HV* must be specified and is the HVPS setting that will place the  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  661.65 keV peak at 22% of full scale (assuming a 3072 keV range). The value of *HV* can be any standard fixed point or floating point numeric value, using the period as the decimal separator (i.e., “1000”, “1000.00”, and “1.0E03” are all acceptable).
- *Resolution* is the resolution, in percent, of the 661.65 keV peak (i.e., the FWHM in keV divided by 661.65); this tag is optional. The value of *Resolution* can be any fixed point or floating point numeric value, using the period as the decimal separator.

## Probe HV Cutoff Level Adjustment

Scintillator probes may be damaged if operated in a high dose field for an extended period of time: the large light output from the crystal will cause a high current in the photomultiplier, which will cause a permanent degradation in the probe's gain.



**WARNING** If you increase or delete the cutoff value, your probe can be permanently damaged.

The InSpector 1000 will automatically turn off the high voltage supplied to the photomultiplier if the dose rate from the GM detector exceeds the Cutoff Dose Rate value listed in the following table. The voltage will be restored when the dose rate falls to one half the cutoff value.

Probe Model	Cutoff Dose Rate
IPRON-1	20 000 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPRON-2	10 000 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPRON-3	4250 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPROS-2 (Stabilized)	10 000 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPROL-1 (Stabilized)	20 000 $\text{mSv/h}$

### Changing the Cutoff Value

If desired, the cutoff value can be changed using the following procedure.

1. Referring to “Connecting the InSpector’s Cables” on page 156, connect the InSpector 1000 to a PC using the USB cable.
2. Navigate to the folder Mobil Device\My Computer\GenieCE\CTLFILES using the Windows CE Explorer (Figure 113).

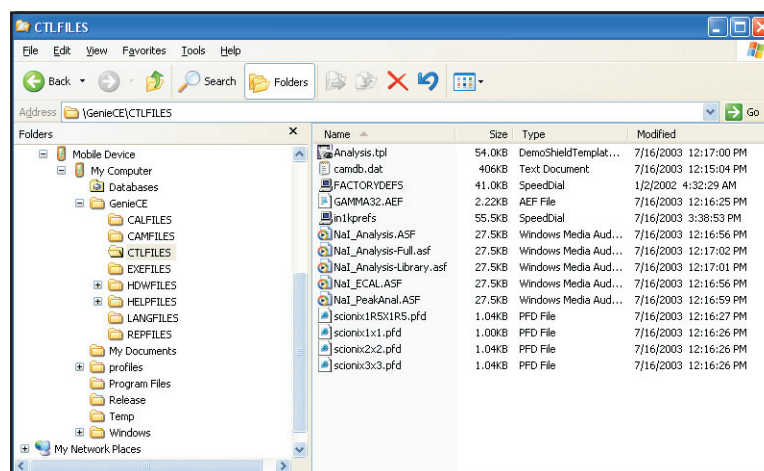


Figure 113 Directory Tree on the InSpector

3. Find the PFD file corresponding to your probe type and copy it to the PC using Copy and Paste. The file name is a combination of the probe manufacturer and size; for example, for the Model IPRON-1, the 1.5 x 1.5 inch probe, the file is scionix1r5x1r5.pfd.
4. Use Notepad or Wordpad to edit the PFD, an XML file, which consists of keywords delimited by angle brackets, and values associated with the keywords.
5. Find the line containing the phrase “<DoseCutoff>”; for example, for the 2 inch probe, the line will look like this:

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<DoseCutoff>10000</DoseCutoff>
```

6. To change the cutoff value, edit the value between <DoseCutoff> and </DoseCutoff> coding, which is in  $\mu\text{Sv/h}$ .

**Note:** Do not change or delete any part of the XML coding (the angle brackets and the text inside the brackets). Doing so will make the file unusable.

7. To eliminate the cutoff completely, delete the line.
8. Save the file and use Windows Explorer to copy it back to the InSpector, replacing the original file. Cycle the power on the InSpector to enable use of the new cutoff value.

Reinstalling the software on the InSpector will replace the PFD files, so this procedure must be repeated if an update is installed.

## Detector Switching Thresholds

The InSpector uses the count rate data from the internal Geiger-Müller (GM) tube to determine whether the GM data or the scintillator probe data will be used for data display.

For each scintillator probe, two threshold points are used to implement switching hysteresis. Hysteresis stabilizes the dose reading by preventing erratic switching from one detector to the other.

Probe Model	Low Threshold	High Threshold
IPRON-1	19.8 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$	39.6 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPRON-2	17.0 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$	34.0 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPRON-3	8.5 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$	17.0 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPIROS-2 (Stabilized)	17.0 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$	34.0 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
IPROL-1 (Stabilized)	19.8 mSv/h	39.6 mSv/h

- When a falling count rate passes the Low Threshold, the InSpector begins displaying the scintillator probe's count rate data.
- When a rising count rate passes the High Threshold, the InSpector begins displaying the GM tube's count rate data.

## Efficiency Calibration Models

There are several efficiency models stored in the datasource.

- Dual Polynomial, the default model, using  $\ln()$  of energies for low and high curve on each side of a crossover point. A minimum of 2<sup>nd</sup> order (ln-ln) polynomial is allowed and:
  - ▶ For Dual in the single-curve mode and for the high energy curve in the two-curve mode, a maximum of 9<sup>th</sup> order (ln-ln) polynomial is allowed.
  - ▶ For the low energy curve in the two-curve mode, a maximum of 5<sup>th</sup> order (ln-ln) polynomial is allowed.
- Linear Polynomial, using linear 1/E coefficients. A minimum of 2<sup>nd</sup> order and a maximum of 9<sup>th</sup> order polynomial are allowed.
- Empirical Polynomial, using  $\ln()$  of scaling-factor/E coefficients. A minimum of 2<sup>nd</sup> order and a maximum of 5<sup>th</sup> order polynomial are allowed
- Interpolated, using a straight-line interpolation in ln-ln domain.

## Default InSpector Files

The InSpector uses several types of operational files. For most of these, the default file for each of these types, the one used when the unit is first turned on, can be changed by the user.

### Nuclide Library File

The InSpector includes several Nuclide Library files, defaulting to the Library Correlation NID library, ANSI\_LibCorNID.nlb. A different library can be selected in NID Analysis setup (page 108).

### Analysis Sequence File

The InSpector includes several Analysis Sequence Files, defaulting to LibCor1.asf. A different sequence file can be selected with the File Open command (page 63).

### Energy Calibration File

The InSpector includes a default calibration file for each probe type. When a new probe is attached to the InSpector, the appropriate energy calibration file for that probe will automatically be used.



A new calibration file can be created by performing an Auto Recalibration, using a mono-line calibration source. This file can be saved with the File Save command.

- An Auto Recalibration should be performed when using a different probe.
- For greater accuracy, Auto Recalibration should be followed by a Full energy calibration, using a multipeak gamma source.

### Efficiency Calibration File

The InSpector includes several efficiency calibration files, one for each probe type. This file cannot be changed by the user. When a new probe is attached to the InSpector, the appropriate efficiency file for that probe will automatically be used.

The default efficiency calibration is for a bare point source on centerline 25 cm from the probe's endcap face.

## Input Power Requirements

The InSpector operates from a dc power source between 11 V dc and 14 V dc. The power can be supplied by a universal ac/dc converter with a minimum output capability of 2 A. The dc power connector is an MCX connector.

### The Internal Battery

The InSpector's long operating times are obtained through the use of state-of-the-art lithium ion battery technology, using an internal two-cell lithium ion battery with built-in protection circuits to prevent over-temperature, over-current and over-voltage conditions.

When the battery is below a charging voltage threshold and dc power is available, the InSpector's integrated smart charging circuit will apply 1/10 of the fast charge current to pre-qualify the battery before charging and to monitor the battery's voltage. Once the voltage is above the charging voltage threshold, the battery will be fast-charged with a constant current.

When the battery reaches a preset voltage, the charger enters a constant voltage (full charge) mode which is exited when the battery charging current drops below 150 mA. At that point, charging will continue in constant voltage mode for another 45 minutes (top-off mode).

The charge indicator LED is illuminated during the pre-qualification, fast and full charge modes. The LED is not illuminated while the battery is the top-off mode since it is essentially completely charged at this point.

### Charging Temperature Range

The lithium ion technology allows for the highest capacity per unit volume of the available battery technologies at the time of design but there are some limitations to charging the lithium ion battery. The instrument will operate off the battery over the temperature range of  $-10$  to  $50$  °C but the battery will only be charged by the smart charging circuit when the instrument is within the following temperature limits:

- The battery will charge in an ambient temperature range of  $0$ – $40$  °C while the instrument is operating (On).
- The battery will charge in an ambient temperature range of  $0$ – $50$  °C while the instrument is not in operation (Off),

### Charging Time

The smart battery charger circuit will also charge the battery at different rates, depending on the operating state of the instrument. This allows faster charging when the unit is not in operation.

- It will take about six hours to charge the battery while the instrument is operating (On).
- It will take about three hours to charge the battery while the instrument is not operating (Off).

## Changing the Battery

Though the InSpector uses a highly reliable long life Li-ion battery, it will eventually come to the end of its useful life. This section includes two procedures telling you how to replace the battery.

- For a unit with a Gamma Probe, use the procedure on page 171.
- For a unit with a Neutron Probe, use the procedure on page 173.

## Gamma Probe Procedure

For an InSpector with a Gamma Probe, refer to Figure 114 and follow the steps listed below. (This is the procedure to use if your InSpector does *not* include a Neutron Probe.)

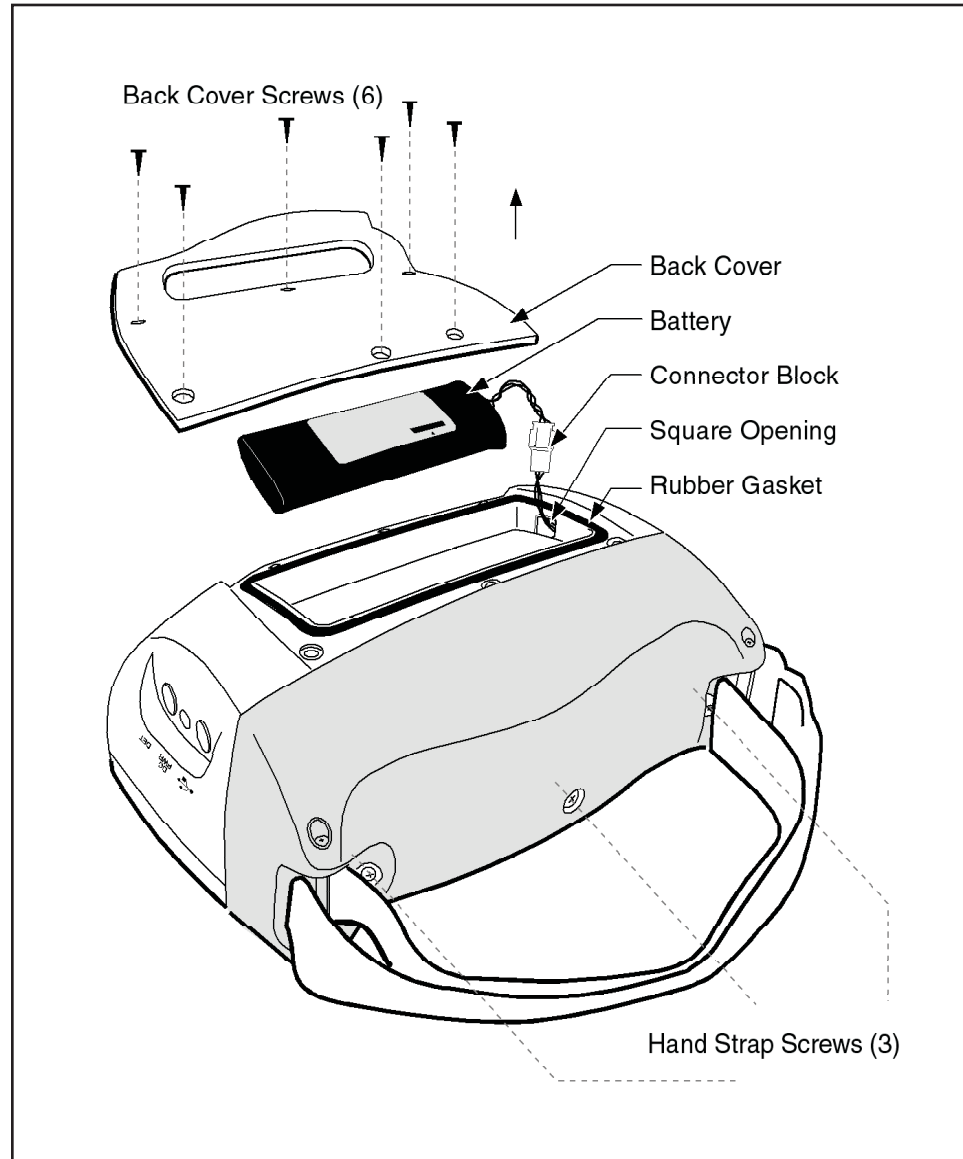


Figure 114 Gamma Probe Procedure

1. Turn off the InSpector's power and remove all connecting cables.
2. Loosen the hand strap.
3. Loosen the three screws under the hand strap.
4. Pull the side piece, the one with the loosened screws, about 1/8 inch (3 mm) away from the unit.
5. Remove the back cover's six screws.
6. Remove the back cover.
7. Carefully remove the battery from its compartment.
8. Gently pull the battery's connecting wires and connector block out of the square opening at the back of the battery compartment.
9. Carefully separate the connector block.
10. Connect the power connector to the new battery and carefully feed the connector block and wires back through the square hole.
11. Seat the battery in its compartment.
12. Before replacing the cover, verify that the cover's gasket is fully seated in its mounting slot. If the gasket is not seated correctly, the unit's resistance to water and dirt will fail, which can cause the unit to malfunction.
13. Replace the rear cover and its six screws.
14. Push the side piece, the one with the hand strap, back into place on the unit.
15. Tighten the three screws under the hand strap.
16. Reconnect all cables.
17. Resume normal operation.

## Neutron Probe Procedure

If your InSpector includes a Neutron Probe, follow the steps listed below.

1. Turn off the InSpector's power and remove all connecting cables.
2. Place the InSpector on its face.
3. Remove the three mounting screws that secure the Neutron Probe (Figure 115).

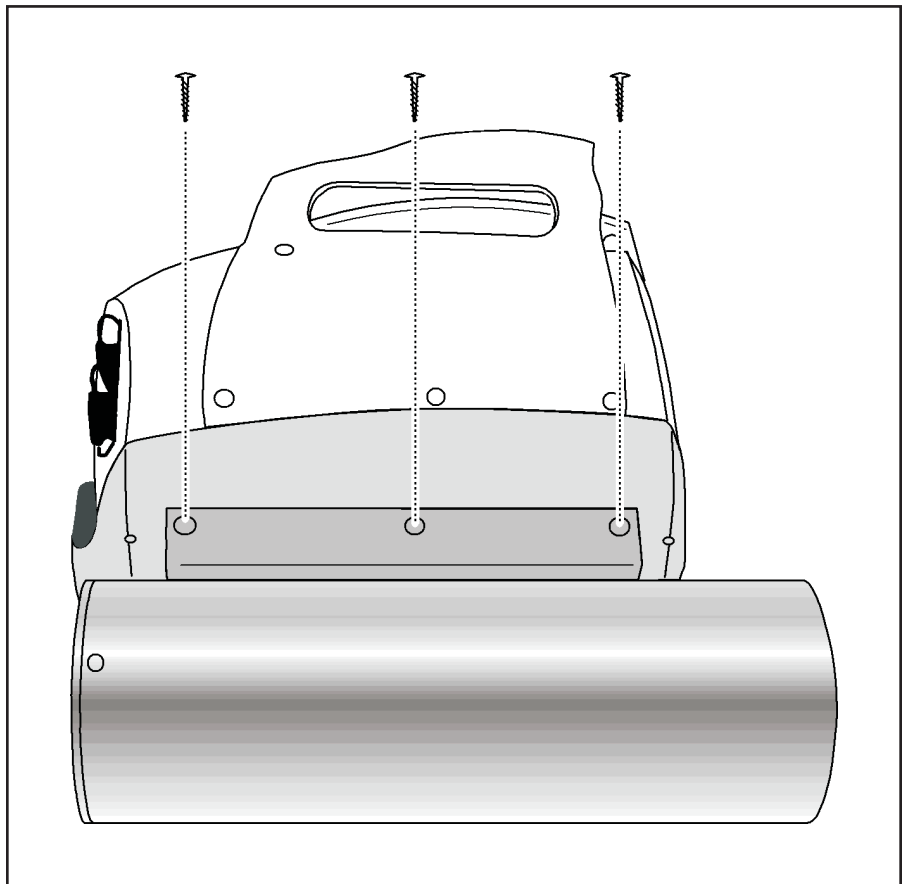


Figure 115 Removing the Probe's Mounting Screws

4. Remove the Neutron Probe from the InSpector by rotating it away from the InSpector and disengaging the lugs (Figure 116).

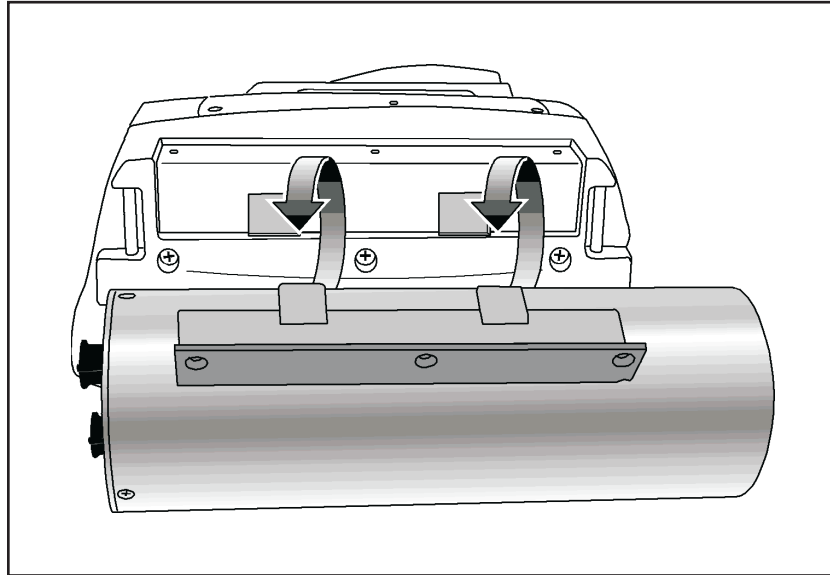


Figure 116 Disengaging the Probe

5. Loosen the three screws that hold the probe mounting piece to the InSpector and pull the mounting piece about 1/8 inch (3 mm) away from the InSpector (Figure 117).

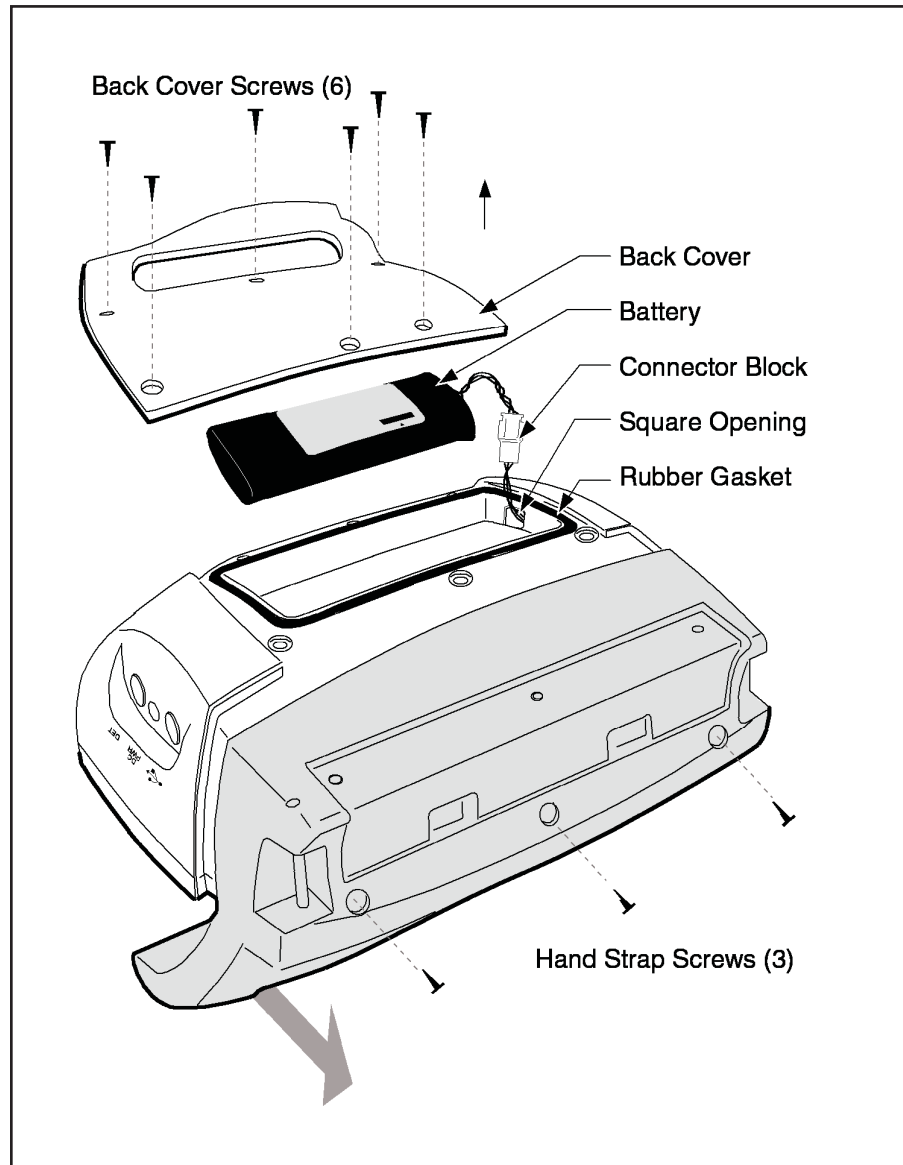


Figure 117 Accessing the Battery Compartment

6. Remove the back cover's six screws.
7. Remove the back cover.
8. Carefully remove the battery from its compartment.
9. Gently pull the battery's connecting wires and connector block out of the square opening at the back of the battery compartment.
10. Carefully separate the connector block.
11. Connect the power connector to the new battery and carefully feed the connector block and wires back through the square hole.
12. Seat the battery in its compartment.
13. Before replacing the cover, verify that the cover's gasket is fully seated in its mounting slot. If the gasket is not seated correctly, the unit's resistance to water and dirt will fail, which can cause the unit to malfunction.
14. Replace the rear cover and its six screws.
15. Push the probe mounting piece back into place on the InSpector.
16. Tighten the three screws the three screws that hold the probe mounting piece to the InSpector.
17. Align the IPRON-N probe's alignment lugs with the InSpector's lug cutouts.
18. Rotate the probe so that the alignment lugs on the probe can mate with the lug cutouts on the InSpector.
19. Insert the lugs in the cutouts and rotate the probe firmly until the lugs are fully engaged in the cutouts
20. Reattach the probe to the InSpector by replacing the three screws removed in step 3.
21. Reconnect all cables.
22. Resume normal operation.



## Using the Power Converter

You can use the ac/dc converter (Figure 118) to provide power to the InSpector and simultaneously charge its battery. Plug the supplied power cord into the receptacle on the converter, then plug the converter's connecting cable into the InSpector's DC PWR receptacle (Figure 107).



Figure 118 The AC/DC Converter

## E. Factory Installed Nuclide Libraries

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This appendix lists the contents of the nuclide libraries installed in the InSpector 1000 at the factory.

Note: NaI prefix used in Library names does not only apply to NaI(Tl) probes, it is for low-med resolution like scintillation probe using NaI(Tl) or LaBr as an example. Therefore these libraries are useful for all IN1K probes regardless the type of detector (crystal) used.

- NaI-NORM.nlb for naturally occurring radioactive materials.
- NaI-SNM.nlb for special nuclear materials.
- Naidemo.nlb, a typical mixed gamma source.
- NaI-MED.nlb for medical nuclides.
- NaI\_PeakLocate.nlb limits peak search to the specified nuclides.
- NaI-INDU.nlb for industrial nuclides.
- NaI\_ANSI.nlb complies with the ANSI 42.34 standard.

# The NORM Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI-norm.nlb

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (keV n)	Energy Uncert. (keV )	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+)
K-40	3.992E+016	1460.822*	0.006	10.6600	0.1900
Ra-226	5.049E+010	186.211*	0.013	3.5900	0.0600
Th-232	4.434E+017	74.810	0.002	10.4000	0.3000
		77.110	0.002	17.5000	0.5000
		87.300	0.002	7.8100	0.2500
		238.632	0.002	43.3000	0.4000
		240.986	0.006	4.1000	0.0500
		328.000	0.006	2.9500	0.1200
		338.320	0.003	11.2700	0.1900
		583.191	0.002	30.4000	0.3000
		911.204*	0.004	25.8000	0.4000
		964.766	0.010	4.9900	0.0900
		968.971	0.017	15.8000	0.3000
		1588.200	0.030	3.2200	0.0800
		1620.500	0.100	1.4900	0.0400
		2614.533	0.013	34.6380	0.0040
U-235	2.221E+016	143.760	0.020	10.9600	0.1400
		185.715*	0.005	57.2000	0.8000
U-238	1.410E+017	63.290*	0.020	4.8000	0.7000
		92.590	0.250	5.6000	0.4000
		1001.030	0.030	0.8370	0.0100

\* = key line

## The SNM Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI-snm.nlb

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (keV )	Energy Uncert. (keV )	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+/-)
U-233	5.024E+012	71.890	0.002	0.0024	0.0004
		117.159	0.002	0.0023	0.0004
		118.968	0.002	0.0041	0.0000
		120.816	0.001	0.0033	0.0000
		145.337	0.004	0.0015	0.0003
		146.345	0.002	0.0066	0.0001
		148.156	0.008	0.0003	0.0000
		245.345	0.002	0.0036	0.0000
		248.726	0.006	0.0014	0.0002
		288.033	0.005	0.0010	0.0002
		291.354	0.004	0.0054	0.0000
		317.160*	0.010	0.0078	0.0001
		320.541	0.005	0.0029	0.0000
U-235	2.221E+016	143.760	0.020	10.9600	0.1400
		185.715*	0.005	57.2000	0.8000
U-238	1.410E+017	113.500*	0.100	0.0102	0.0015
Pu-239	7.608E+011	129.296	0.001	0.0063	0.0001
		375.054	0.003	0.0016	0.0000
		413.713*	0.005	0.0015	0.0000

\* = key line

## The Nal Demo Nuclear Library

Filename: Naidemo.nlb

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (keV )	Energy Uncert. (keV )	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+/-)
CO-57	2.341E+007	122.063*	0.000	85.5100	0.1800
		136.476	0.000	10.6000	0.1800
CO-60	1.663E+008	1173.216	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
		1332.486*	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
SR-85	5.602E+006	513.990*	0.000	99.2700	0.0220
Y-88	9.210E+006	898.021	0.000	93.4000	0.4000
		1836.010*	0.000	99.3800	0.0200
CD-109	4.009E+007	88.032*	0.000	3.7200	0.1100
SN-113	9.945E+006	391.688*	0.000	64.9000	0.7000
CS-137	9.521E+008	661.650*	0.000	85.1200	0.2300
CE-139	1.189E+007	165.850*	0.000	80.3500	0.0800
HG-203	4.026E+006	279.190*	0.000	77.3000	0.8000

\* = key line

## The Medical Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI-med.nlb

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (keV )	Energy Uncert. (keV )	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+ -)
Ga-67	2.792E+005	93.311	0.005	39.2000	1.0000
		184.577*	0.010	21.2000	0.3000
		300.219	0.010	16.8000	0.2200
		393.529	0.010	4.6800	0.0600
Tc-99m	2.163E+004	140.511*	0.001	89.0600	0.2400
Pd-103	1.468E+006	357.450*	0.080	0.0221	0.0008
In-111	2.423E+005	537.000*	1.000	87.2000	0.3000
I-123	4.760E+004	346.350	0.050	0.1260	0.0050
		440.020	0.050	0.4280	0.0150
		505.330	0.050	0.3160	0.0110
		528.960*	0.050	1.3900	0.0500
		538.540	0.050	0.3820	0.0130
I-125	5.140E+006	35.492*	0.001	6.6800	0.1300
I-131	6.929E+005	284.305	0.005	6.1400	0.0700
		364.489*	0.005	81.7000	0.8000
		636.989	0.004	7.1700	0.1000
		722.911	0.005	1.7700	0.0300
Xe-133	4.534E+005	80.997*	0.003	38.0000	0.7000
Ir-192	6.377E+006	201.311	0.007	0.4730	0.0080
		205.794	0.000	3.3400	0.0400
		295.956	0.000	28.7200	0.1400
		308.455	0.000	29.6800	0.1500
		316.506*	0.000	82.7100	0.2100
		468.069	0.000	47.8100	0.2400
		484.575	0.000	3.1870	0.0240
		588.581	0.001	4.5170	0.0220
		604.411	0.000	8.2000	0.0400
Tl-201	2.631E+005	612.462	0.000	5.3400	0.0800
		135.340	0.040	2.5650	0.0240
		165.880	0.070	0.1550	0.0050
		167.430*	0.070	10.0000	0.0600

## The Peak Locate Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI\_PeakLocate.NLB

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (&keV)	Energy Uncert. (&keV)	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+ -)
CO-60	1.663E+008	1173.216	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
		1332.486*	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
CS-137	9.521E+008	661.650*	0.000	85.1200	0.2300

\* = key line

## The Industrial Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI-indu.nlb

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (keV )	Energy Uncert. (keV )	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+/-)
Na-22	8.216E+007	1274.530*	0.020	99.9440	0.0140
Co-57	2.348E+007	122.061*	0.000	85.6000	0.1700
		136.474	0.000	10.6800	0.0800
Co-60	1.663E+008	1173.228	0.003	99.8500	0.0300
		1332.492*	0.004	99.9826	0.0006
Ba-133	3.330E+008	80.997	0.001	34.1000	0.3000
		276.400	0.001	7.1640	0.0220
		302.851	0.001	18.3300	0.0600
		356.013*	0.001	62.0500	0.1900
		383.848	0.001	8.9400	0.0300
Cs-137	9.517E+008	661.657*	0.003	85.1000	0.2000
Eu-152	4.273E+008	121.782	0.000	28.6700	0.1500
		244.697	0.001	7.6100	0.0400
		344.279	0.001	26.6000	0.6000
		778.904	0.002	12.9600	0.1500
		867.373	0.003	4.2600	0.0300
		964.079	0.018	14.6500	0.0800
		1085.869	0.024	10.2400	0.0600
		1112.069	0.003	13.6900	0.0700
		1408.006*	0.003	21.0700	0.1100
Ir-192	6.377E+006	201.311	0.007	0.4730	0.0080
		205.794	0.000	3.3400	0.0400
		295.956	0.000	28.7200	0.1400
		308.455	0.000	29.6800	0.1500
		316.506*	0.000	82.7100	0.2100
		468.069	0.000	47.8100	0.2400
		484.575	0.000	3.1870	0.0240
		588.581	0.001	4.5170	0.0220
		604.411	0.000	8.2000	0.0400
		612.462	0.000	5.3400	0.0800
Ra-226	5.049E+010	186.211*	0.013	3.5900	0.0600
Th-232	4.434E+017	74.810	0.002	10.4000	0.3000
		77.110	0.002	17.5000	0.5000
		87.300	0.002	7.8100	0.2500
		238.632	0.002	43.3000	0.4000
		240.986	0.006	4.1000	0.0500
		328.000	0.006	2.9500	0.1200
		338.320	0.003	11.2700	0.1900
		583.191	0.002	30.4000	0.3000
		911.204*	0.004	25.8000	0.4000
		964.766	0.010	4.9900	0.0900
		968.971	0.017	15.8000	0.3000
		1588.200	0.030	3.2200	0.0800
		1620.500	0.100	1.4900	0.0400
		2614.533	0.013	34.6380	0.0040
Am-241	1.364E+010	59.541*	0.000	35.9000	0.6000

# The ANSI Nuclear Library

Filename: NaI\_ANSI.NLB

Nuclide Name	Half-Life (Seconds)	Energy (&keV)	Energy Uncert. (&keV)	Yield (%)	Yield Uncert. (Abs.+ -)
Ra+dau	3.156E+011	186.100	0.100	3.5000	0.0500
		295.220	0.000	18.4000	0.0000
		351.990	0.000	35.5000	0.0000
		609.312*	0.007	44.1000	0.5000
		1120.287	0.010	14.4000	0.2000
		1764.494	0.014	15.2000	0.2000
Th+dau	4.433E+017	238.630	0.002	41.4000	0.3000
		338.322	0.002	11.7000	0.3000
		583.190	0.002	29.7000	0.3000
		727.180	0.002	11.3000	0.3000
		911.070*	0.004	28.2000	0.7000
		968.971	0.010	17.0000	0.4000
		2614.530	0.013	34.5000	0.3000
K-40	4.030E+016	1460.810*	0.000	10.6700	0.1100
Co-57	2.341E+007	122.063*	0.000	85.5100	0.1800
		136.476	0.000	10.6000	0.1800
Co-60	1.663E+008	1173.216	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
		1332.486*	0.000	100.0000	0.0000
Ga-67	2.818E+005	93.311	0.005	39.2000	0.1000
		184.577*	0.010	21.2000	0.3000
		300.219	0.010	16.8000	0.2200
Tc-99M	2.167E+004	140.508*	0.000	89.0700	0.2400
In-111	2.423E+005	171.280	0.030	90.2000	1.0000
		245.400*	0.020	94.0000	1.0000
I-123	4.777E+004	158.970*	0.050	83.3000	0.4000
		528.960	0.050	1.3911	0.0500
I-125	5.133E+006	35.492*	0.001	6.6800	0.1300
I-131	6.947E+005	284.305	0.005	6.1400	0.0700
		364.480*	0.000	81.2000	1.1000
		636.973	0.000	7.2600	0.1000
		722.911	0.005	1.7700	0.0300
Ba-133	3.313E+008	80.997	0.003	34.0600	0.2700
		356.005*	0.000	60.0000	3.0000
Xe-133	4.532E+005	80.997*	0.000	36.7200	0.7000
Cs-137	9.521E+008	661.650*	0.000	85.1200	0.2300
Tl-201	2.625E+005	135.340	0.040	2.5650	0.0240
		167.430*	0.070	10.0000	0.0600
U-233	5.024E+012	291.354	0.004	0.0054	0.0000
		317.160*	0.010	0.0078	0.0000
U-235	2.221E+016	143.760	0.020	10.9600	0.1400
		185.715*	0.005	57.2000	0.8000
Np-237	6.766E+013	86.477*	0.010	12.4000	0.4000
		143.249	0.020	0.4300	0.0200
U-238	1.409E+017	49.550	0.060	0.0640	0.0080
		113.500*	0.100	0.0102	0.0014
U238+dau	1.409E+017	63.290	0.020	4.8400	0.4900
		92.600	0.250	5.5700	0.9000
		1001.030*	0.000	0.8500	0.0000
Pu-239	7.605E+011	98.780	0.300	0.0012	0.0000
		129.294*	0.000	0.0063	0.0000
		413.712	0.000	0.0015	0.0000
Am-241	1.366E+010	59.540*	0.000	36.3000	0.0000
Pu-241	4.528E+008	164.610	0.020	1.8520	0.0180
		208.000*	0.010	21.1400	0.2300

## ASF Steps Required for Nuclide ID

For the InSpector to correctly compute the dose rate for each identified isotope and display the results in the NID mode, a minimum set of analysis sequence steps must be included in the current analysis sequence (ASF) file.

The required steps are:

- Peak Locate – Unidentified 2nd Diff.
- Peak Area – Sum / Non-Linear LSQ Fit
- Efficiency Correction – Standard
- Nuclide Identification – NID w/ Interf. Corr. Required to calculate NID results.
- Dose by Isotope. Required to calculate the Dose Rate for each nuclide.

The NaI\_Analysis.ASF sequence file, resident in each InSpector's memory when it leaves the factory, contains these steps. Omission of any of these steps from the sequence file will result in information not being properly displayed. Use the Maintenance Utility's Edit function (page 127) to verify that the sequence file contains these steps.

The file must be the current file (File | Open on page 63) for the InSpector to be able use it.



## F. Using ASFs

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An Analysis Sequence File (ASF) can be created or edited in Genie™ 2000, then the Maintenance Utility can be used to copy it to the InSpector™.

In addition to the editing example on this page, this appendix describes two Genie 2000 analysis algorithms of interest to the InSpector user:

- The NID by Nuclide Correlation algorithm (page 187).
- The Dose by Isotope algorithm (page 187).

### Creating or Editing an ASF

As an example of the ASF creation / editing process, use the following procedure to copy an ASF from the InSpector to the PC, edit it, then copy it back to the InSpector.

1. Use the Maintenance Utility's Get function (page 127) to copy an analysis sequence from the InSpector to your PC. The `NAI_Analysis.asf` file is a good starting point, as it does a complete spectrum analysis.
2. In the Genie 2000 Gamma Acquisition and Analysis program, open a representative spectrum file
3. Still in Genie 2000, load the ASF file obtained in step 1. In the Genie 2000 Menu, select Edit | Analysis Sequence | Load, then select the file from the sequence descriptions list box.
4. In Genie 2000's Analysis Sequence Editor, make any modifications desired.
  - If a new nuclide or peak library is specified in the analysis, ensure that the library is present on the InSpector; use the Maintenance Utility's Send function (page 130) to make the library memory resident on the InSpector.
  - The standard analysis sequences on the InSpector do not contain reporting steps; however, these are very helpful in easily determining the results of the analysis on the PC.
  - The InSpector does not support some analysis steps provided by Genie, specifically: Acquisition, Parent-Daughter Correction, LACE, Action

Level Calculation, QA Analysis, Save Datasource and Post-NID Processing other than Dose by Isotope.

- Genie 2000's Analysis.tpl and DataDmp.tpl report templates are supported by the InSpector.
- If the "New File" setting is turned off in the Report step setup, the InSpector's I1k.rpt file may quickly grow very large, reducing the amount of available memory.
- If you're including a Peak Area step in your ASF, you might want to omit residual peak search; its completion time can be very long.



**CAUTION** If your ASF file contains any S501 Gamma Analysis steps, S501 must be installed on your Genie 2000 system. If S501 is not installed, editing the file on the Genie 2000 system will cause all S501 Gamma Analysis steps to be deleted from the file.

5. Test the updated analysis sequence by pressing the editor's Execute button.
6. Repeat steps 3 through 5 until the desired results are achieved, except that in Step 3 you must select the sequence editor's Current button to reopen the sequence you're working on.
7. Save the completed analysis sequence with the editor's Store button.
8. Use the Maintenance Utility's Send function (page 130) to send the sequence file to the InSpector.
9. With the file resident in the InSpector's memory, use the InSpector's Spec | File | Open | Analysis Sequence function to Load the sequence; it will be used in all new analyses.

**Note:** When analysis sequences are transferred between the PC and the InSpector, file paths are automatically adjusted for the destination device. This assumes that a file specified on the PC will be found in the default directory for that type of file on the InSpector.

## Using an ASF

For the InSpector to be able to use a Genie 2000 algorithm, it must be part of an Analysis Sequence File (ASF) created in Genie™ 2000, then made resident on the InSpector via the Maintenance Utility's Send Function (page 130).

When the ASF has been made resident, it must be Loaded (page 93) for use. Once loaded, invoke the main menu's Spec  $\Rightarrow$  Next  $\Rightarrow$  Analyze command to analyze the current spectrum with the loaded ASF.

## Two Useful Analysis Algorithms

Among Genie 2000's analysis algorithms are Dose by Isotope and Library Correlation Nuclide ID. Both of these are discussed on the following pages.

### Dose by Isotope

Invoking Analyze using an ASF which includes a Dose by Isotope step will cause the rate of the dose received from each identified nuclide to be displayed in the Dose Rate (units/h) column of the Composite Dose Nuclide ID views.

Note: If the Dose by Isotope step is not included in the current loaded analysis sequence, the Dose column will display zeros. Such a step can be quickly added with the Maintenance Utility's Edit | Current Analysis menu item.

### Library Correlation NID

Though Genie 2000 has several nuclide identification (NID) algorithms, only one is discussed here, the Library Correlation NID algorithm\* (Figure 119). It uses a standard spectrum with corresponding standard energy, shape and efficiency calibrations and nuclide library to identify nuclides.

Note: For more detailed information on this algorithm's functions and operational parameters, refer to "Library Correlation NID" in the *Genie 2000 Operations Manual*.

If the spectral area is statistically significant and the distribution of the area is sufficiently similar to the expected shape as defined by user-specified parameters, the nuclide is identified.

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\* Patent pending.

In addition to the information in the Genie 2000 manual, the algorithm's help file, which can be reviewed by pressing the **Help** button (Figure 119), discusses all of the parameters.

The screenshot shows the 'Correlation NID Peak Locate Setup' dialog box. It contains the following fields and controls:

- NID Library:** A text field with the value 'C:\GENIE2K\CAMFILES\STDLIB.NLB' and a 'Select...' button.
- Shape Correlation Threshold (0-1):** A text field with the value '0.8'.
- Sensitivity Threshold (0-100):** A text field with the value '5'.
- Calibration Compensation:** A group box containing:
  - % Gain Shift Tolerance:** A text field with the value '5'.
  - % Shape Error Tolerance:** A text field with the value '30'.
  - Shielding Tolerance (cm Fe):** A text field with the value '1'.
- Background Compensation:** A group box containing:
  - ☐ Use background compensation
  - Background:** A text field with a 'Select...' button.
- Tolerance:** A text field with the value '1.00' and the unit 'keV'.
- Energy/FWHM:** Two radio buttons, with 'Energy' selected.
- ☐ Retain Calibration Compensations
- ☐ Add to existing results
- ☒ Generate Report
- Buttons:** 'Cancel', 'Help', and 'Execute' at the bottom.

Figure 119 Nuclide Correlation NID Setup

## G. Specifications

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### Inputs

DC POWER/CHARGER – 12 V, 2 A dc output; universal ac/dc adapter input with IEC 320 power connector.

### Outputs

USB DEVICE – USB device interface for connection to host computer for spectrum upload and library/efficiency download.

### Detectors

GM TUBE – Internal Geiger-Mueller tube for high dose/count rate measurements. Operates in Canberra's Time to Count mode.

NaI PROBES – External NaI(Tl) detector with integrated preamplifier and programmable HVPS. Sensitivity referenced to  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ .

- IPRON-1: 1.5" x 1.5"; 6000 cps/mrem/h  $\pm 3.5\%$ .
- IPRON-2: 2" x 2" ; 13 000 cps/mrem/h  $\pm 3.5\%$ .
- IPROS-2: Stabilized 2" x 2" NaI probe<sup>1</sup>; 13 000 cps/mrem/h  $\pm 3.5\%$ .
- IPRON-3: 3" x 3"; 32 000 cps/mrem/h  $\pm 3.5\%$ .

LaBr PROBES – External LaBr detector with integrated preamplifier and programmable HVPS. Sensitivity referenced to  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ .

- IPROL-1: Stabilized 1.5" x 1.5" LaBr probe; 8 000 cps/mrem/h  $\pm 3\%$ .

PULSE SHAPE – Tail pulse from detector preamplifier, positive or negative polarity.

AMPLITUDE – 0.16 V to 1.6 V, full scale output.

NEUTRON PROBE – External detector; moderated  $^3\text{He}$  tube (8 cm active length – 2 atm); intrinsic neutron sensitivity  $\approx 1\%$ , using an unmoderated  $^{252}\text{Cf}$  fast neutron source; weight: 1.36 kg (3 lb).

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1. Stabilized Scintillation Detector. U.S. Patent Numbers 7,005,646 B1 and 7,049,598.

## Display

TYPE – 9 cm (3.5 in.) Backlit color LCD and touch panel.

RESOLUTION – 320 x 240 pixels.

## Indicator

CHARGE INDICATOR – Yellow LED on keypad.

## Audio

AUDIBLE ANNUNCIATOR – Indicates touch screen selection.

AUDIBLE COUNT RATE INDICATOR – Off or one beep for every 100, 1000 or 10 000 counts; user selectable.

AUDIBLE ALARM/WARNING INDICATOR – Alarms/warnings using tones; user configurable.

## Count/Dose Rate Display

DOSE RATE BARGRAPH FULL SCALE – 0.1, 1.0, 10, 100, 1000, 10 000, Auto; user selectable.

DOSE RATE UNITS –  $\mu\text{R/h}$ ,  $\text{mR/h}$ ,  $\text{R/h}$ ;  $\mu\text{Sv/h}$ ,  $\text{mSv/h}$ ;  $\mu\text{rem/h}$ ,  $\text{mrem/h}$ ,  $\text{rem/h}$ ; user selectable.

## Performance

ENERGY RANGE –

For 1.5, 2 and 3 in. NaI detectors – 50 keV to 3 MeV.

For GM detector – 30 keV to 1.4 MeV.

For 1.5 in. LaBr detector – 30 keV to 3 MeV

INTEGRAL – 0.1% over top 99% of conversion range.

THROUGHPUT – >50 kcps.

INPUT COUNT RATE – >500 kcps total, if not limited by detector/probe.

LIVE TIME CORRECTION – Live Time Correction (LTC) of spectral data.

PRESETS – Live time preset: 1 – 1 000 000 s; Real time preset: 1 – 1 000 000 s.

SPECTRAL DATA STORAGE – More than 512 spectra of 1024 channels each (CAM file format).

CHANNEL STORAGE – 32 bits.

NUCLIDE IDENTIFICATION ENERGY TOLERANCE WINDOW –  $\pm 4\%$ .

MINIMUM DOSE RATE EQUIVALENT  $H^*$  (10) – 10 nSv/h.

MAXIMUM DOSE RATE EQUIVALENT  $H^*$  (10) – 100 mSv/h.

TOTAL (cumulative) DOSE RANGE EQUIVALENT  $H^*$  (10) – 100 nSv to 1 Sv.

DOSE UPDATE RATE – 3–10 s; user selectable.

## Battery

TYPE – Two-cell rechargeable Li-ion battery.

CAPACITY – 2.3 AH.

OPERATING TIME – Approximately 9 hours while acquiring with battery at full charge (frequent use of backlight reduces battery life).

CHARGE TIME – Approximately 3 hours.

## External Power

DC POWER/CHARGER – 12 V dc output, 2 A universal ac/dc adapter input with IEC 320 power connector.

## Physical

SIZE – InSpector alone: 19.0 x 16.5 x 6.4 cm (7.5 x 6.5 x 2.5 in.); with an IPRON-N probe: 25.4 x 24.1 x 14.0 cm (10 x 9.5 x 5.5 in.).

WEIGHT – With batteries and an IPRON-2 probe: <2.4 kg (5.4 lb); with batteries, and both an IPRON-2 probe and an IPRON-N probe: 7.65 kg (16.9 lb).

## Environmental

OPERATING TEMPERATURE – Range: –10 to +50 °C, ambient.

HUMIDITY – Up to 80%, non-condensing.

SHOCK – Shock proof design (not including the detector). Can withstand a drop from 1 m onto concrete.

PROTECTION RATING – Meets IP 54 specifications (complete dust and splash/low pressure spray protection).

DIRECTIVES – Meets all relevant EU safety, RFI and EMI directives (CE compliance).

## Ordering Information

IN1KN-1 – InSpector 1000 and IPRON-1 1.5” x 1.5” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IN1KN-2 – InSpector 1000 and IPRON-2 2” x 2” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IN1KN-3 – InSpector 1000 and IPRON-3 3” x 3” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IN1KS-2 – InSpector 1000 and IPROS-2 2.0” x 2.0” NaI Stabilized Intelligent Probe.

IN1KL-1 – InSpector 1000 and IPROL-1 1.5” x 1.5” LaBr Stabilized Intelligent Probe.

- All include cables, charger, padded soft case, Model S504 Genie 2000 InSpector Basic Spectroscopy Software, utility software and a set of manuals.



IN1KN-1N – InSpector 1000 with IPRON-1 1.5” x 1.5” NaI Intelligent Probe, and Neutron Probe.

IN1KN-2N – InSpector 1000 with IPRON-2 2” x 2” NaI Intelligent Probe, and Neutron Probe.

IN1KN-3N – InSpector 1000 with IPRON-3 3” x 3” NaI Intelligent Probe, and Neutron Probe.

IN1KS-2N – InSpector 1000 with IPROS-2 2.0” x 2.0” NaI Stabilized Intelligent Probe, and Neutron Probe.

IN1KL-1N – InSpector 1000 and IPROL-1 1.5” x 1.5” LaBr Stabilized Intelligent Probe, and Neutron Probe.

- All equipped with gamma probe, moderated  $^3\text{He}$  probe, cables, charger, padded soft case, Model S504 Genie 2000 InSpector Basic Spectroscopy Software, utility software and set of manuals.

## Probes Only

IPRON-1 – 1.5” x 1.5” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IPRON-2 – 2” x 2” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IPRON-3 – 3” x 3” NaI Intelligent Probe.

IPROS-2 – 2” x 2” NaI Stabilized Intelligent Probe.

IPROL-1 – 1.5” x 1.5” LaBr Stabilized Intelligent Probe

- Included in the probe’s housing are the PMT, the HVPS, the preamplifier and the communication interface.

IPRON-N – InSpector 1000 Neutron Probe (Moderated  $^3\text{He}$  Tube).

- Included in the probe’s housing are the  $^3\text{He}$  tube, the HVPS and the communication board. The associated InSpector 1000 must have V1.1 or greater software installed. Backward compatible with existing InSpector 1000’s.

## Accessories

CSRCCS-1 –  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  Source Cap for IPRON-1 Probe (1.5” x 1.5” NaI).

CSRCCS-2 –  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  Source Cap for IPRON-2 Probe (2” x 2” NaI).

CSRCCS-3 –  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  Source Cap for IPRON-3 Probe (3” x 3” NaI).

IN1KCAR – InSpector 1000 Car Adapter/Charger.

IN1KHCA – Hard Case for the InSpector 1000 Digital Hand-Held MCA.

IPRONC – Short Probe Cable (8 in.) for the InSpector 1000.

IPRONL – 20 ft Probe Cable for the InSpector 1000.

IN1KBAT – Battery Pack for the InSpector 1000 Digital Hand-Held MCA.

ISXCLNA2 – ISOCS/LabSOCS Characterization for 2" x 2" NaI Detectors.

- For characterization of InSpector 1000 IPRON-2 detectors.
- Accuracy estimated at 15–25%, 1 standard deviation.
- Requires S573 ISOCS or S574 LabSOCS calibration software.

ISXCLNA3 – ISOCS/LabSOCS Characterization for 3" x 3" NaI Detectors.

- For characterization of InSpector 1000 IPRON-3 detectors.
- Accuracy estimated at 10–20%, 1 standard deviation.
- Requires S573 ISOCS or S574 LabSOCS calibration software.

ISXCLLA1 – ISOCS/LabSOCS Characterization for 1.5"x 1.5" LaBr Detectors.

- For characterization of InSpector 1000 IPROL-1 detectors.
- Accuracy estimated at 15–25%, 1 standard deviation.
- Requires S573 ISOCS or S574 LabSOCS calibration software.

## H. Disposing of This Equipment

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Electrical and electronic equipment contain hazardous substances that, if disposed of improperly, can have a negative effect on the environment and on human health.

Users / owners of this equipment have the responsibility to ensure that this equipment does not pose a threat to the environment or to humans when it becomes obsolete and requires disposal.

The symbol below, also found on your CANBERRA equipment, indicates that this equipment should not be disposed of in unsorted municipal waste.



Therefore, following the provisions of COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE), we ask that you contact your nearest CANBERRA office for instructions on the proper disposal of this equipment.

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