







Since 1966, Nuclétudes, an ArianeGroup subsidiary, has been contributing to the French nuclear deterrence efforts. In its role as a subcontractor to French prime contractors, the company bears responsibility for hardening the French strategic systems. Through this unique experience, Nuclétudes has gained an extensive expertise in:

- understanding the effects of radiations on electronic systems and on mechanical structures
- mastering their induced effects: electromagnetic waves and their coupling to systems, mechanical and thermomechanical effects on structures
- assessing the vulnerability of systems against these effects
- implementing industrial hardening solutions

Due to its outstanding know-how, Nuclétudes has extended its expertise over the years to other radiation domains (space environment, lightning) and threats (laser, high power microwaves), bringing its expertise to other industrial domains such as the space industry, aeronautics, conventional defence systems, and the nuclear industry.





management system, certified to ISO 9001 international standards.



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Considerable scientific and engineering experience in the field of radiation and electromagnetic harsh environments







YOUR INDUSTRIAL PARTNER FOR THE **PROTECTION OF SYSTEMS** AND EQUIPMENT



Radiation and electromagnetic harsh environments



Development phase:

Hardening requirements cascaded down to sub-system and equipment levels Hardening solutions, technology selection, definition of design, and manufacturing rules System and sub-systems validation and verification within radiation and electromagnetic environments



Radiation & electromagnetic environment calculation and their **coupling** to systems

Vulnerability analysis of components, equipment and materials, and impact on reliability and safety

Industrial protection solutions against radiation & electromagnetic environments

Electronic architecture expertise

Tests at the component, electronic board, or equipment levels

We offer what you need:

- Test design, planning, and execution
- · Sample preparation, definition and manufacturing of testing tools
- Analysis of test results

Technical excellence secured by a significant R&T activity

R&T is central to our strategy to continually improve our expertise and as such we are developing:

- Numerical simulation tools in Electromagnetics
- Engineering tools
- Models for material behaviour and damage for complex materials submitted to thermomechanical shocks
- Methods and tools adapted to the development of new component technologies
- Experimental techniques



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The dual culture of modelling and testing has been in our teams' DNA since the establishment of the company.

We have our own computing centre and test facilities (in electromagnetics, radiation and thermomechanics).



Radiation protection dimensioning of an infrastructure







3D material deformation (mesoscopic model)

Electron plasma evolution and surface current



Our test facilities		
Total Ionizing Dose (TID) testing		
Co ⁶⁰ source	From 30 to 3600 rad(Si)/hr	Component and equipment levels
Dose rate testing		
Flash X-ray facility	Up to 10 ¹¹ rad(Si)/s	Component and equipment testing for upset, latch-up, and burn-out
Thermomechanical shock testing		
Electron beam gun	40 to 400 J/cm ²	Material characterization, material behaviour and damage modelling, and equations of state validation
Electromagnetic testing		
Mode-stirred reverberation chamber	400 MHz to 6 GHz 1 kV/m	Radiated field susceptibility tests on equipment Shielding effectiveness of cables and electronic boxes
NEMP simulator	Up to 50 kV/m	NEMP susceptibility tests on sub-systems
Transient generators	Lightning, NEMP	Susceptibility tests on equipment
High Power Microwave generator	50 kW class magnetron @ 3 GHz and 9 GHz	High power radiated field susceptibility tests on equipment
Transfer impedance measurement bench		Characterization of the shielding effectiveness of cables and connectors
Flash X-Ray facility	$10^{\text{-5}}$ to some $10^{\text{-4}}\ cal/cm^2$	Antennas, cables and electronic boxes responses
Our electronic lab		
Electronic board prototyping		
Testing devices for analog and digital components, and electronic boards		
Laser test bench (fault injection)		

Our testing teams can be readily deployed to various test facilities worldwide:

 Thermomechanical shock testing Test benches GEPI and DEMETER (CEA/ Gramat) - Laser test facility (DGA/TA, Mines ParisTech)

Neutron displacement damage, single event effects (neutrons, heavy ions, protons) testing in France (CEA Saclay, CEA-DIF, GENEPI2) and abroad (Belgium, Italy, Finland, USA, Canada,...)

