## ACTIVITY 1: SIMULATION OF A SCINTILLATOR DETECTOR

## BACKGROUND

- Scintillator detectors are usually employed to do the spectroscopy of the radiation emitted by radioactive sources.
- The purpose of this activity is to simulate the operation of such detectors and analyze the information obtained.

## MATERIALS

- A Monte Carlo simulation code (see Readme-MC document)
- Emission spectra of radioisotopes. Among others, they can be obtained from the following link: <u>http://www.lnhb.fr/donnees-nucleaires/donnees-nucleaires-tableau/</u>
- Possible radioisotopes to be analyzed: <sup>22</sup>Na, <sup>60</sup>Co, <sup>125</sup>I, <sup>137</sup>Cs, and any other of interest.

## TASKS

• T1: To design the geometry of the problem as indicated in the figure. Note that the detector and the source are in vacuum. Consider only the photons emitted from the source.



- T2: To determine the energy deposited in the detector (the INa volume) per photon emitted from the source.
- T3: To analyze the spectrum obtained according to the emitted photons.