



ISOLDE isotope production (LE, post-accel), for physics, material and life sciences (MEDICIS included)

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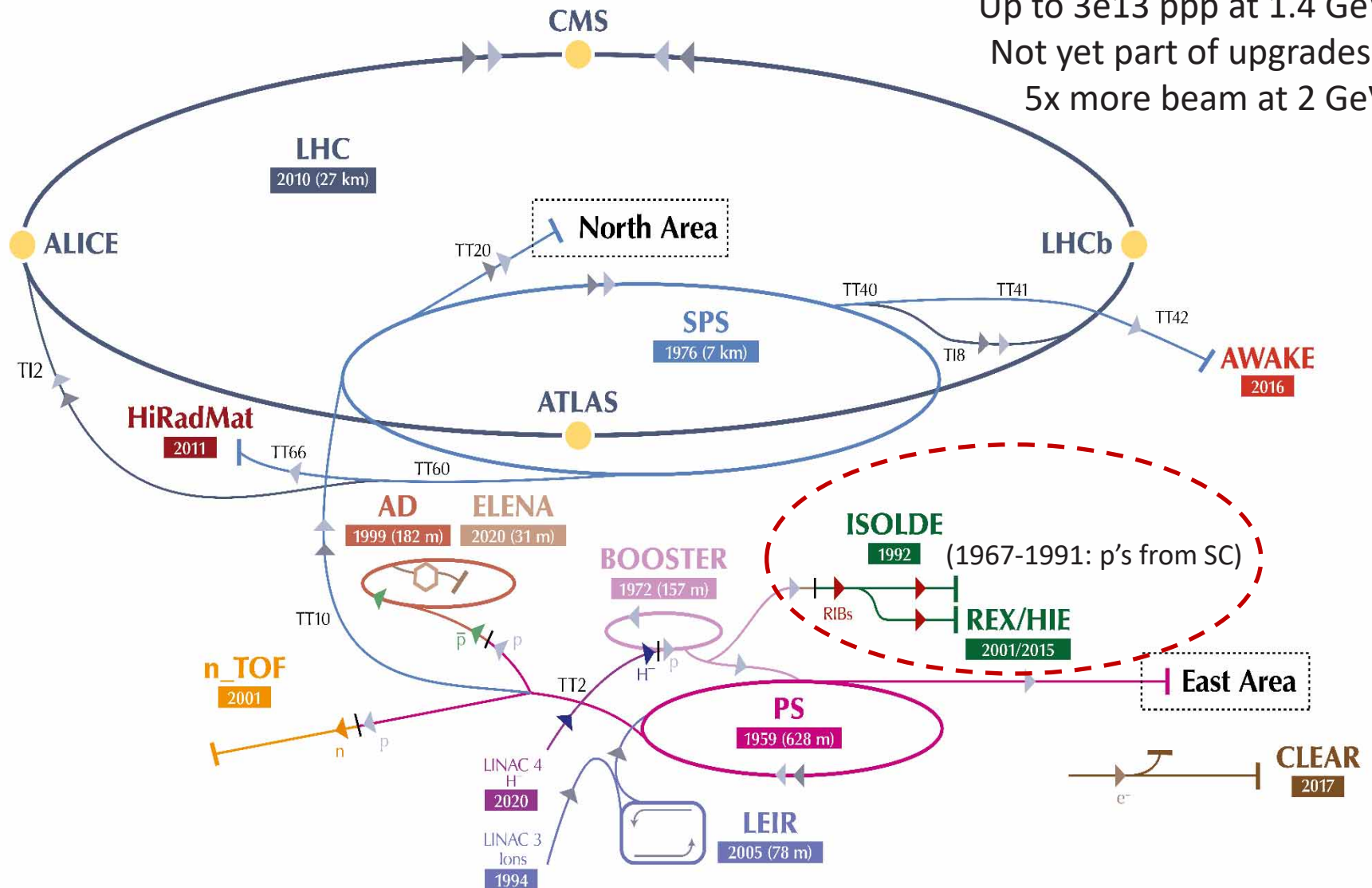
With input from ISOLDE Technical Teams

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- **HIE-ISOLDE accelerator**
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- **^{11}C for hadron therapy**
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ISOLDE in CERN landscape

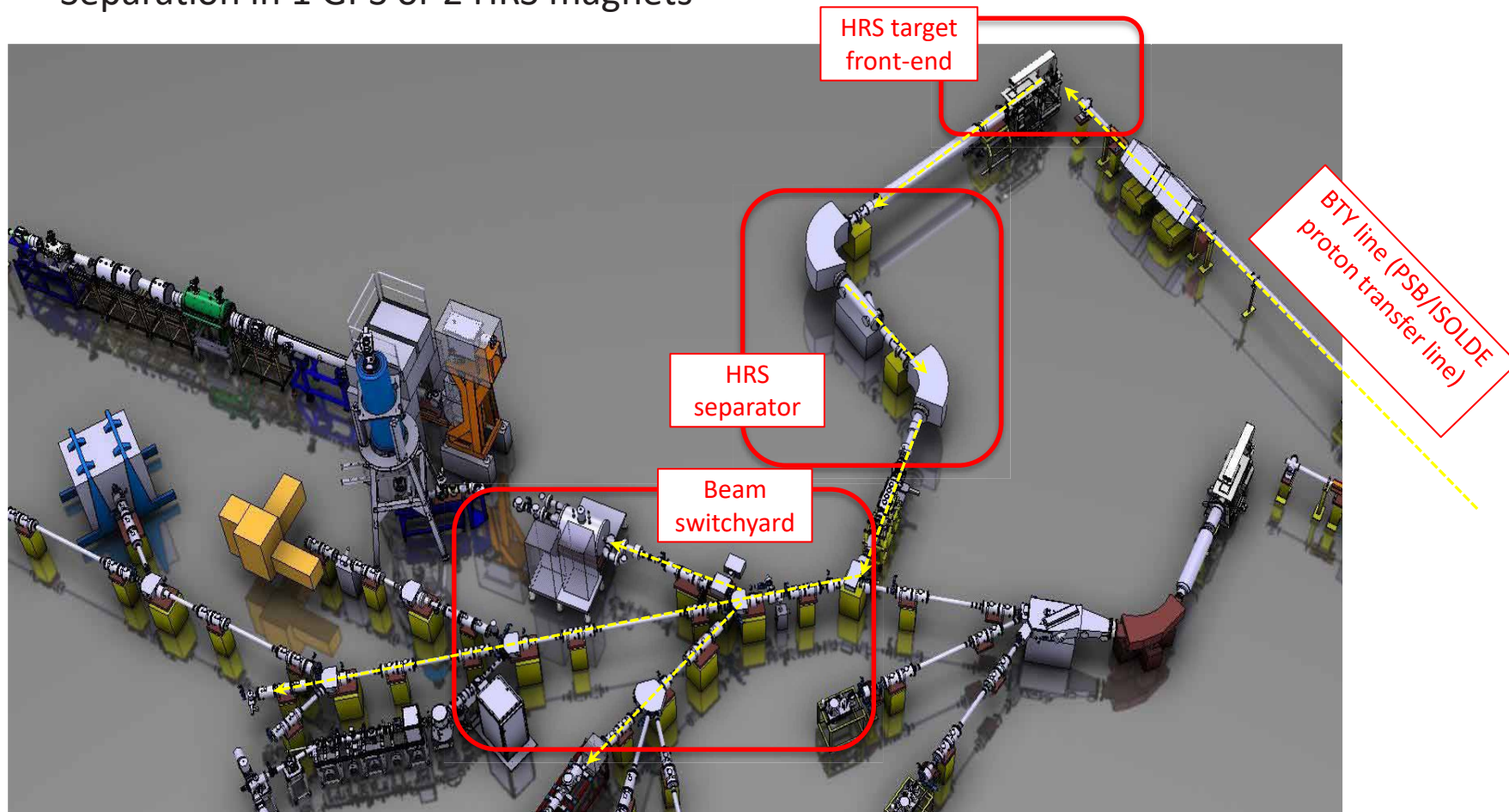
Up to 3×10^{13} ppp at 1.4 GeV
Not yet part of upgrades:
5x more beam at 2 GeV



ISOLDE isotope production and extraction

- Protons from PSB at 1 of 2 target
- Targets heated up to 2000 C
- Ionisation (mostly to 1+ state)
- Extraction at 30-60 keV
- Separation in 1 GPS or 2 HRS magnets

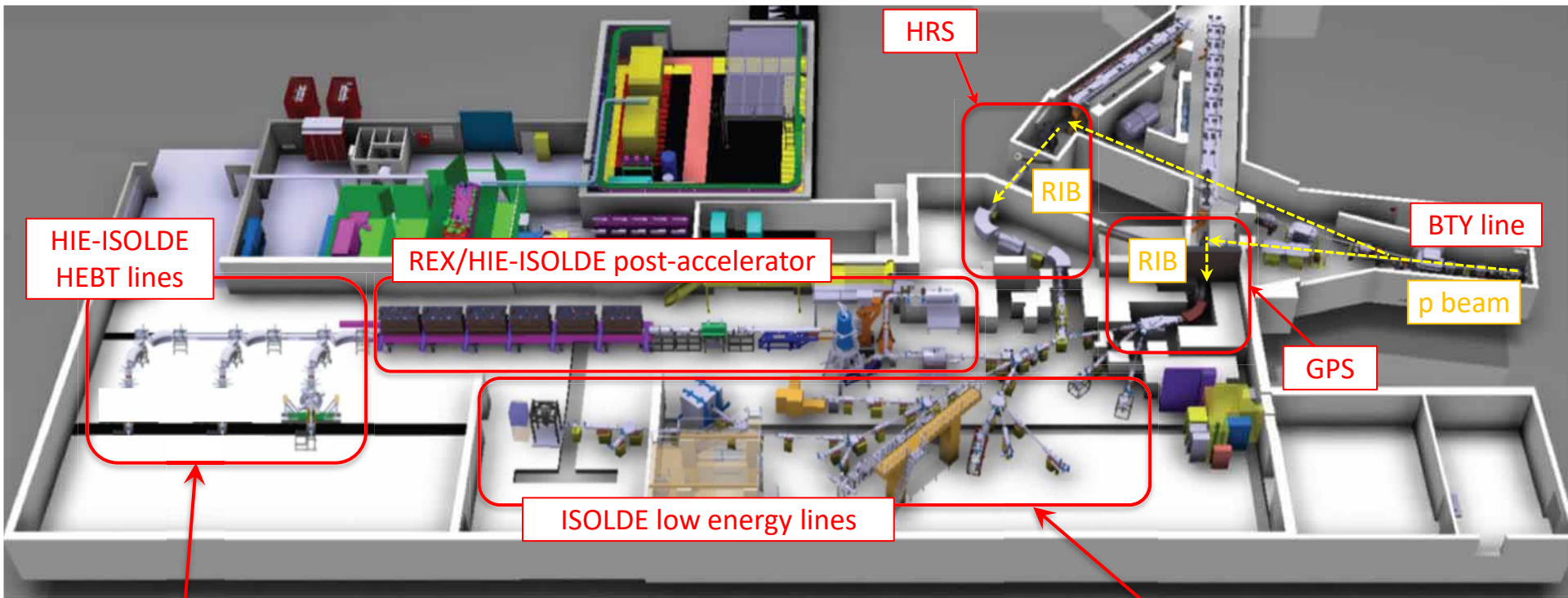
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ISOLDE hall

- Beam delivery to low energy beamlines
- Or post-acceleration with REX + HIE-ISOLDE and delivery to HIE-ISOLDE beamlines

Nuclear physics
Astrophysics
Fundamental interactions
Material science



High energy experimental stations:

- Miniball
- ISS
- Scattering Chamber

Low energy experimental stations:

- | | |
|------------|----------------|
| ▪ IDS | ▪ SSP stations |
| ▪ ISOLTRAP | ▪ VITO |
| ▪ CRIS | ▪ NICOLE |
| ▪ COLLAPS | ▪ WISARD |

ISOLDE Isotope production cross sections

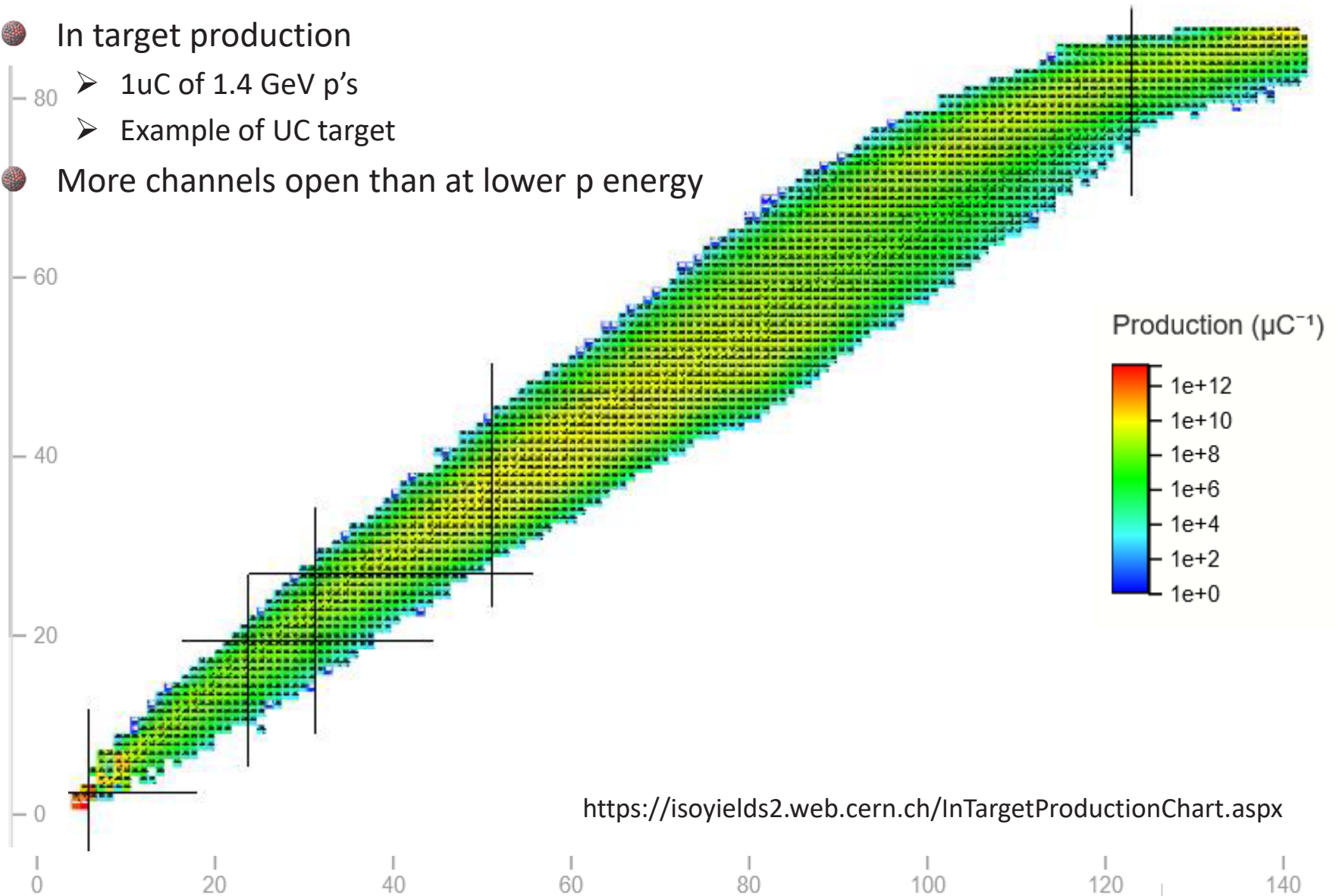


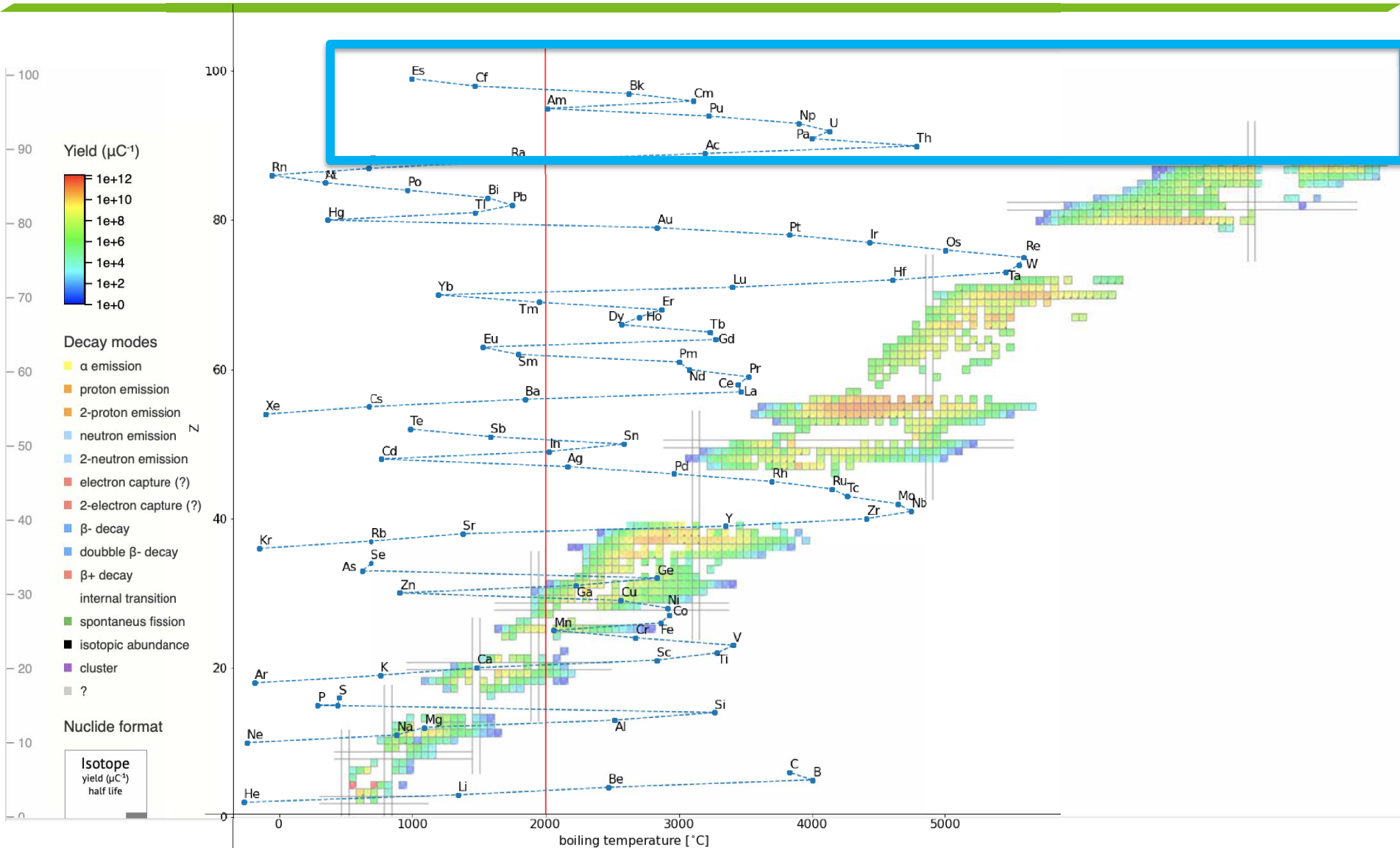
In target production

- 1uC of 1.4 GeV p's
- Example of UC target



More channels open than at lower p energy





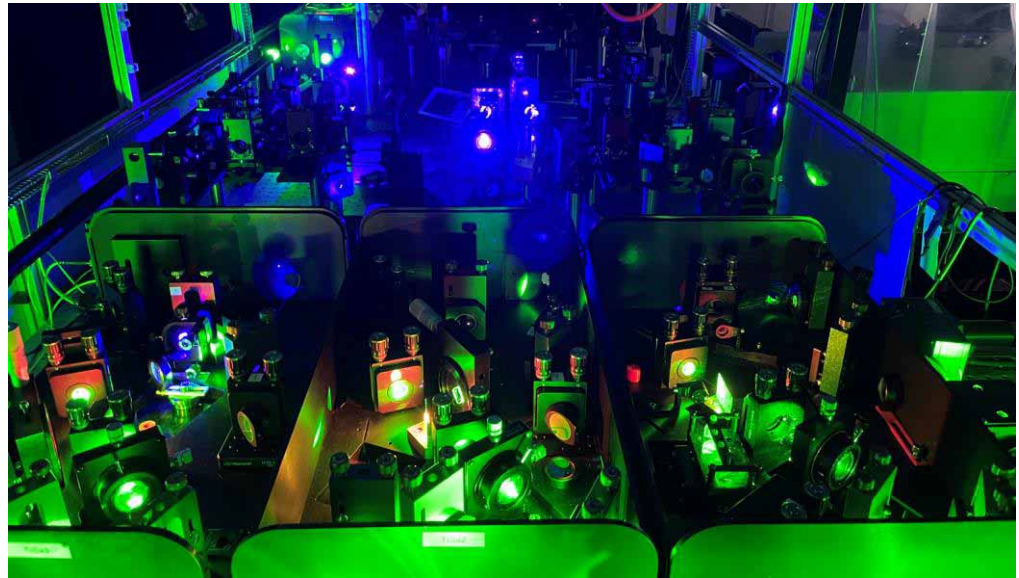
- by far largest choice among ISOL-type facilities

- Extraction
- Ionisation
- transport



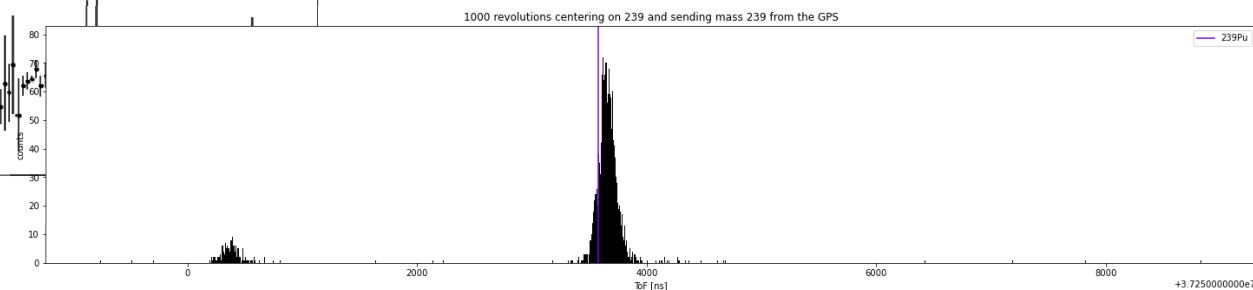
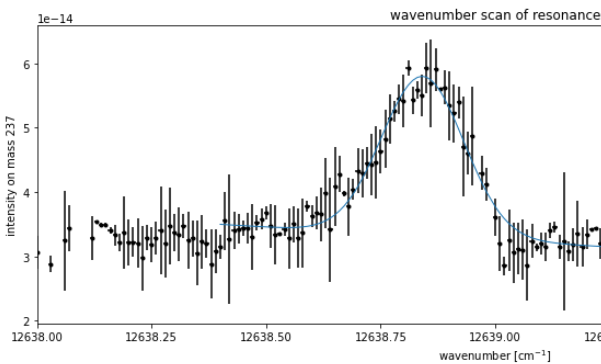
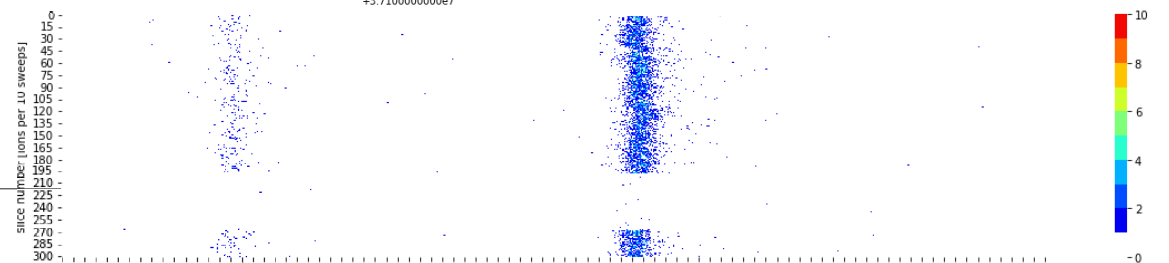
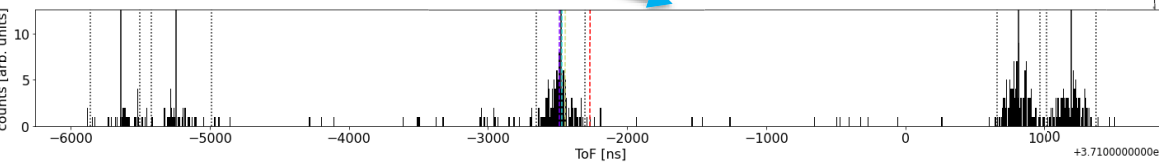
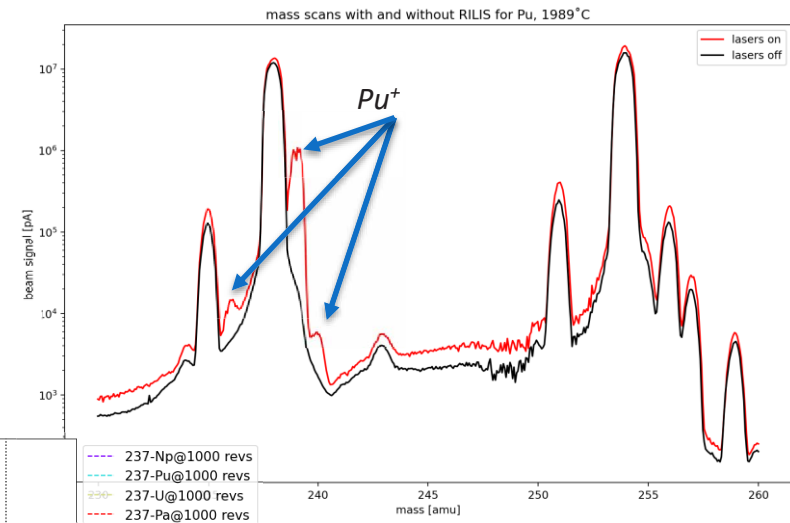
Ionisation

- Surface, plasma, laser ionisation
- Resonant laser ionisation (RILIS)
 - used for 60-80 % of shifts
 - Pioneered at Gatchina and ISOLDE
- Improved ionisation efficiency
 - New RILIS schemes
- Increased beam purity
 - Molecular beams
 - LIST: Laser Ionisation Trap
 - Pi-LIST: perpendicular LIST
 - MR-TOF
 - Negative ions in charge-exchange process



Above-target beams

*	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
	La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb
**	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102
	Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No



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Au, M. et al (2021)

10.5281/zenodo.6519521

RILIS activities and developments

→ 21 weeks out of 23 weeks of ISOLDE operations in 2021

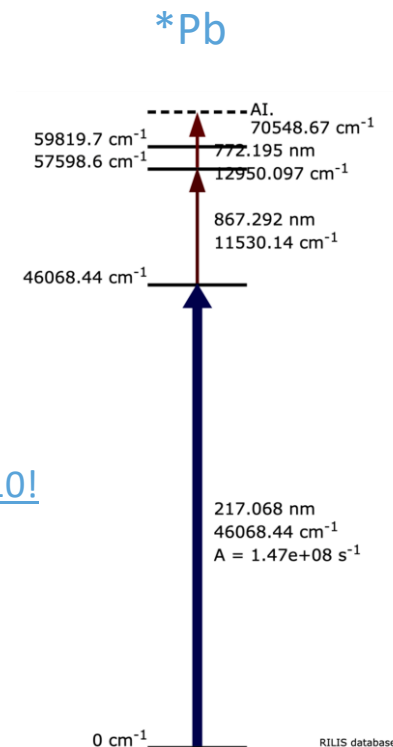
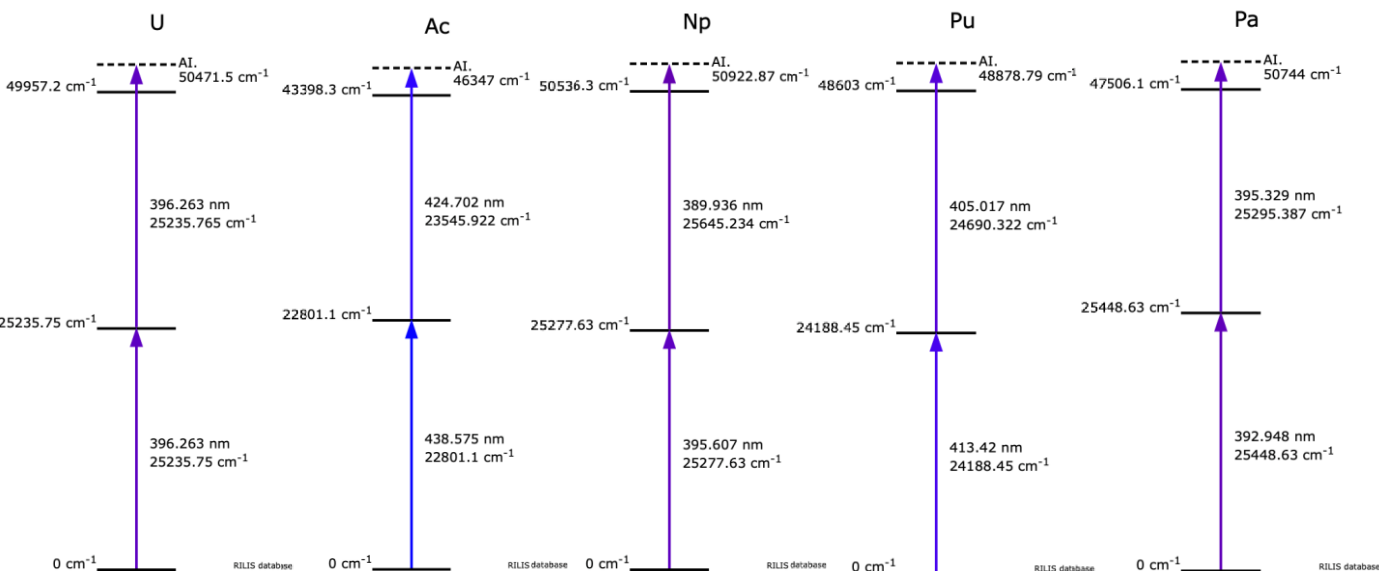
Elements: Ag, Mg, Cu, Ca, In, Au, Ac, Zn, **Pb***, Sb, Dy, Sc, Be

Physics runs: 17

TISD runs*: 4



- New Pb laser ionization scheme
- Developed Jan 2021)
- First used on-line Sep 2021
- Efficiency enhancement by factor 10!



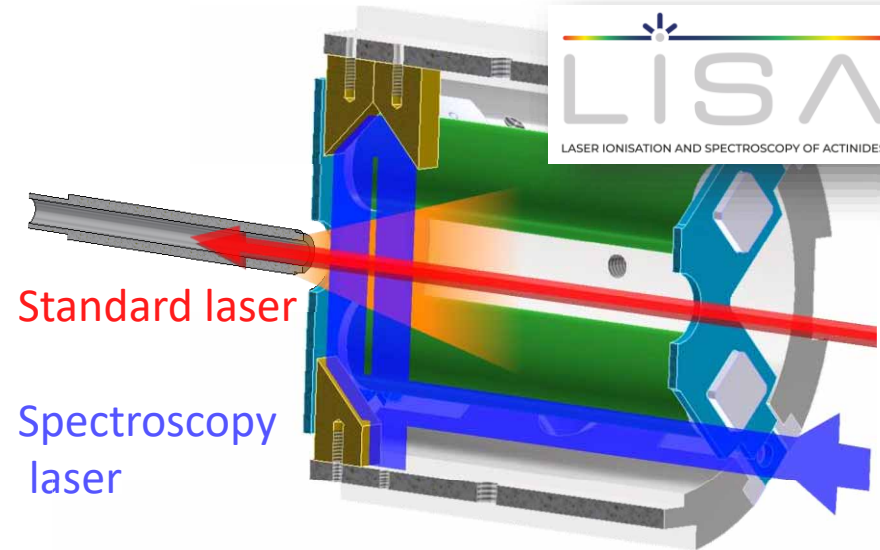
TISD on Actinide extraction

Many actinide schemes tested on-line

Np, Pu, Ac were seen!
Additionally molecular extraction tested

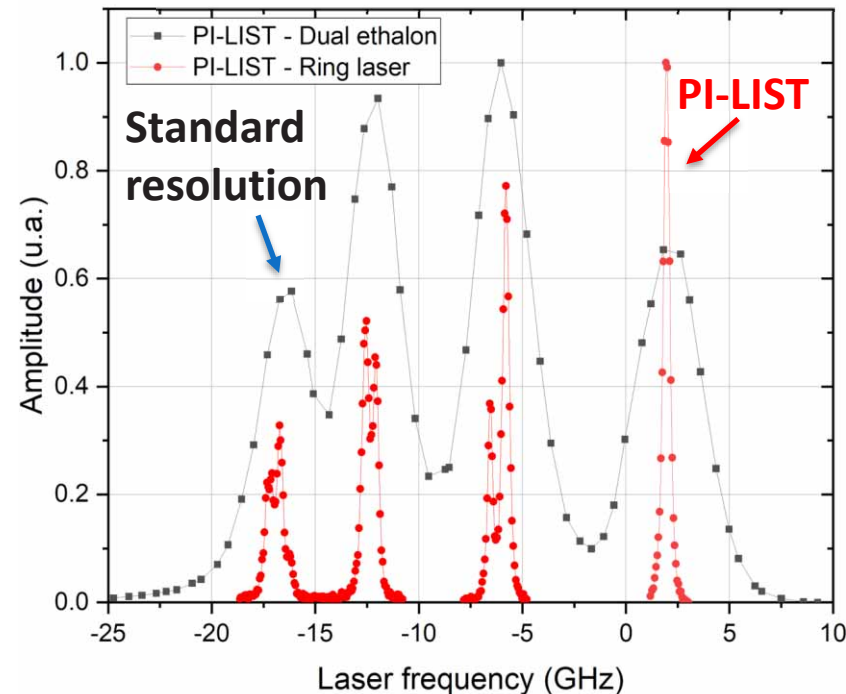
RILIS developments: PI-LIST

- LIST = Laser Ion Source Trap
 - Deflect ions created without laser (surface)
 - PI: Ionise with RILIS perpendicular to extraction
- => extract only laser-ionised species



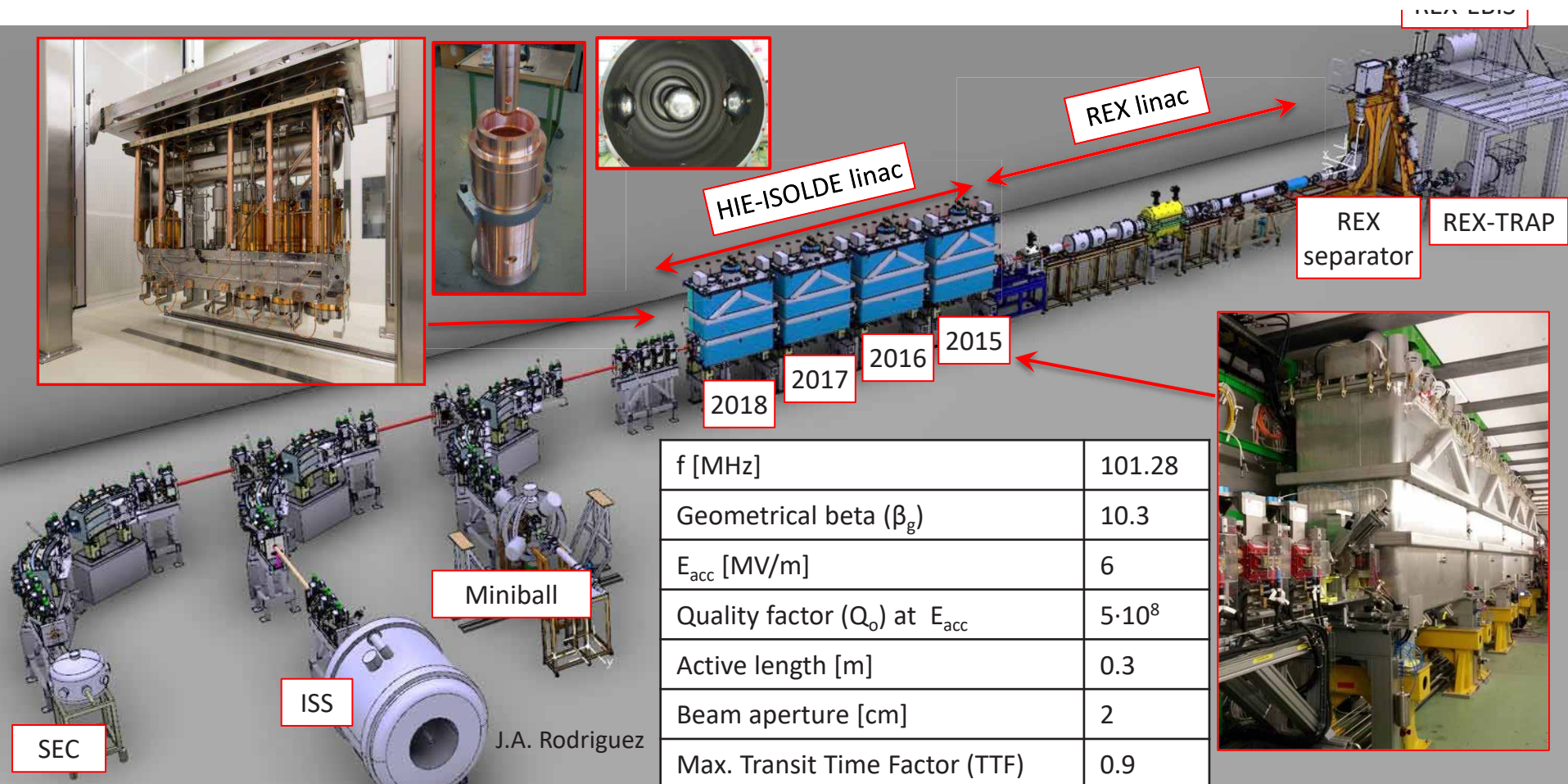
05/2022: First experiment using PI-LIST at ISOLDE

- Additional operation mode of LIST ion source perpendicular laser/atom interaction
- Reducing spectral linewidth from few GHz to ~200MHz (at cost of efficiency loss)
- Application for high resolution spectroscopy and isomer-pure RIB production
- New data on nuclear shapes in Ac isotope chain



HIE-ISOLDE SC linac (post)-accelerator

- Cavities: Quarter Wave Resonators (QWR) made of Nb-sputtered Cu substrate
 - Cryomodule: 5 QWR + 1 SC solenoid, common insulation and beam vacuum, top plate mounted
 - Nominal energy: 9.2 MeV/u for $A/q = 4.5$, 14.2 MeV/u for $A/q = 2.5$
 - Diagnostics: Scanning slits, collimators and FCs
 - Focusing: SC solenoids, quadrupoles
- Steering: Vertical/horizontal very few meters

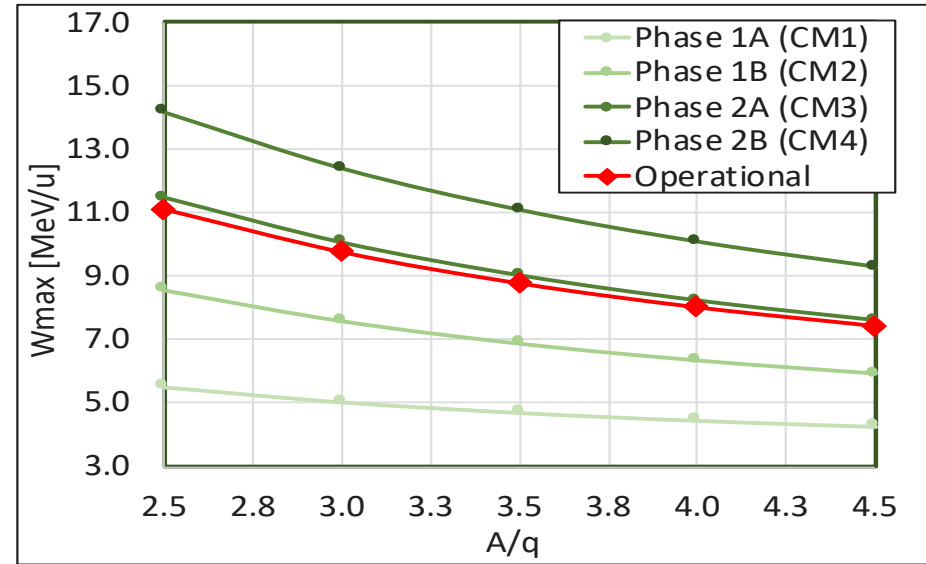


f [MHz]	101.28
Geometrical beta (β_g)	10.3
E_{acc} [MV/m]	6
Quality factor (Q_0) at E_{acc}	$5 \cdot 10^8$
Active length [m]	0.3
Beam aperture [cm]	2
Max. Transit Time Factor (TTF)	0.9

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HIE-ISOLDE post-accelerated beams

Beam(s)	Energies [MeV/u]
$^{74}\text{Zn}^{21, 25+}$, $^{76}\text{Zn}^{22+}$	2.8, 4.0
$^{108}\text{Sn}^{26+}$ $^{110}\text{Sn}^{26+}$	4.5
$^{142}\text{Xe}^{33+}$	4.5
$^{78}\text{Zn}^{20+}$	4.3
$^{132}\text{Sn}^{31+}$	5.5
$^9\text{Li}^{3+ \rightarrow 3+}$	6.8; 8
$^{66}\text{Ni}^{16+}$	4.5
$^{72}\text{Se}^{19+}$	4.4
$^{66}\text{Ge}^{17+}$, $^{70}\text{Se}^{16+}$	4.4
$^{142}\text{Ba}^{33+}$, $^{144}\text{Ba}^{33+}$	3.4, 4.2
$^{140}\text{Sm}^{34+}$	4.7
$^{15}\text{C}^{5+ \rightarrow 6+}$	4.4
$^{94}\text{Rb}^{23+}$	6.2
$^{142}\text{Sm}^{33+}$, $^{140}\text{Nd}^{33+}$	4.6
$^{30}\text{Mg}^{11+}$	8.5
$^{209}\text{Fr}^{53+}$	7.6
$^{206}\text{Hg}^{46+}$	4.2; 7.4
$^{59}\text{Cu}^{20+}$	3.6, 4, 5, 4.3, 4.7
$^{28}\text{Mg}^{9+}$	5.5; 9.5
$^{96}\text{Kr}^{23+}$	4.7, 5.3
$^{212}\text{Rn}^{50+}$	3.8, 4.4; 7.6
$^{222}\text{Ra}^{51+}$, $^{228}\text{Ra}^{53+}$	4.3
$^{224}, ^{226}\text{Rn}^{52+}$, $^{222}\text{Rn}^{51+}$	4.2, 5.1
$^{134}, ^{132}\text{Sn}^{31+}$	7.4, 7.2
$^{106}\text{Sn}^{26+}$	4.4
$^8\text{B}^{3+ \rightarrow 5+}$	4.9
$^{11}\text{Be}^{4+ \rightarrow 4+}$	7.5
$^{61}\text{Zn}^{16+}$	7.5
$^7\text{Be}^{2+ \rightarrow 4+}$	5.0



MEDICIS facility for medical isotopes

Non-conventional radioisotopes for medical research

Online production
And/or offline separation

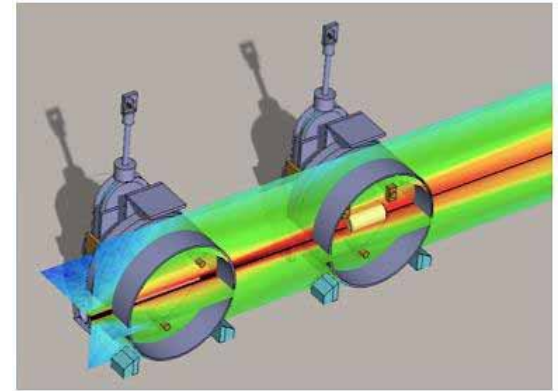
**MEDICIS Target
Irradiation
(behind ISOLDE target)**

CERN protons to ISOLDE

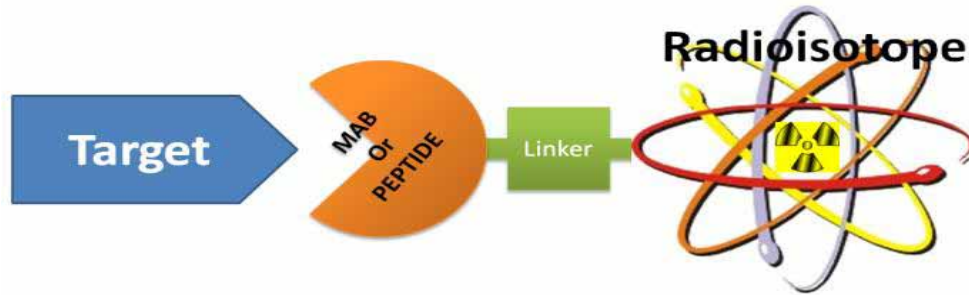
<https://medicis.cern/>

**Rail
Conveyor
System**

**MEDICIS
Laboratory**



MEDICIS facility for medical isotopes

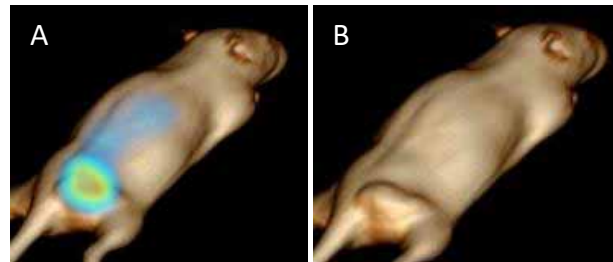


^{153}Sm	^{149}Tb	^{152}Tb	^{155}Tb	^{169}Er
^{175}Yb	^{225}Ac			

Theranostics = therapy + diagnostics at the same time

Tb 149 4.2 m 4.1 h ϵ β^+ α 3.99 γ 796; 165...	Tb 152 4.2 m 17.5 h ϵ γ 283; 160... β^+ 2.8... γ 344; 586; 411...
Tb 155 5.32 d ϵ γ 87; 105... 180, 262	Tb 161 6.90 d β^- 0.5; 0.6... γ 26; 49; 75... ϵ

imaging with ^{152}Tb



Coordinator of European project: access to new medical isotopes from different European sources

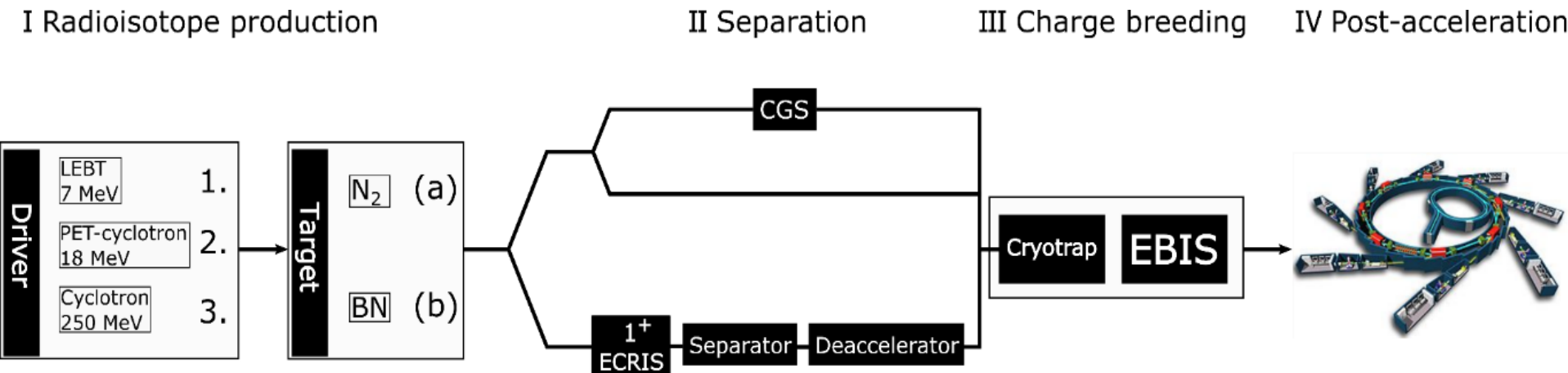


^{11}C for hadron therapy

- **Idea:** hadron therapy and PET monitoring with unstable ^{11}C ($t_{1/2}=20\text{min}$)
 - E.g. ERC AdG at GSI, M. Durante

Required

- Pure radioactive ion beam (RIB)
 - Monoenergetic
 - Appropriate beam characteristics (emittance, momentum spread,...)
 - Intense: $4 \cdot 10^8 \text{ }^{11}\text{C}^{4+,6+}$ per spill
 - Implementable into existing treatment facilities
- Work performed by PhD students (MEDICIS-PROMED ITN):
 - Simon Stegemann (CERN, KU Leuven): production
 - Johanna Pitters (CERN): post-acceleration
 - Kyong-Don (CNAO, Pavia): clinical part
 - And beyond, e.g. with CERN Medical Applications funds



11C production

Carbon



Tailored target-ion source system

- Refractory
 - Low vapor pressure
($2 \cdot 10^{-7}$ mbar @ 1800 °C)
- Molecular isotope extraction (CO)
 - Controlled target microstructure
 - Fast diffusion and effusion

Target material: spark plasma-sintered boron nitride to create ^{11}CO molecules
rigid powder, compact with small grain sizes and high porosity

Ceramic heating unit

Bottleneck: release (limited by diffusion) of only 10%

Yield: $3 \cdot 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1}$

=> Enough for charge breeding and acceleration



11C charge breeding

- Injection into a medical synchrotron requires a few 10 μ s pulses of 10^{10} C ions
- Additional challenge – efficiently introduce and store ^{11}C ions for ~ 1 s

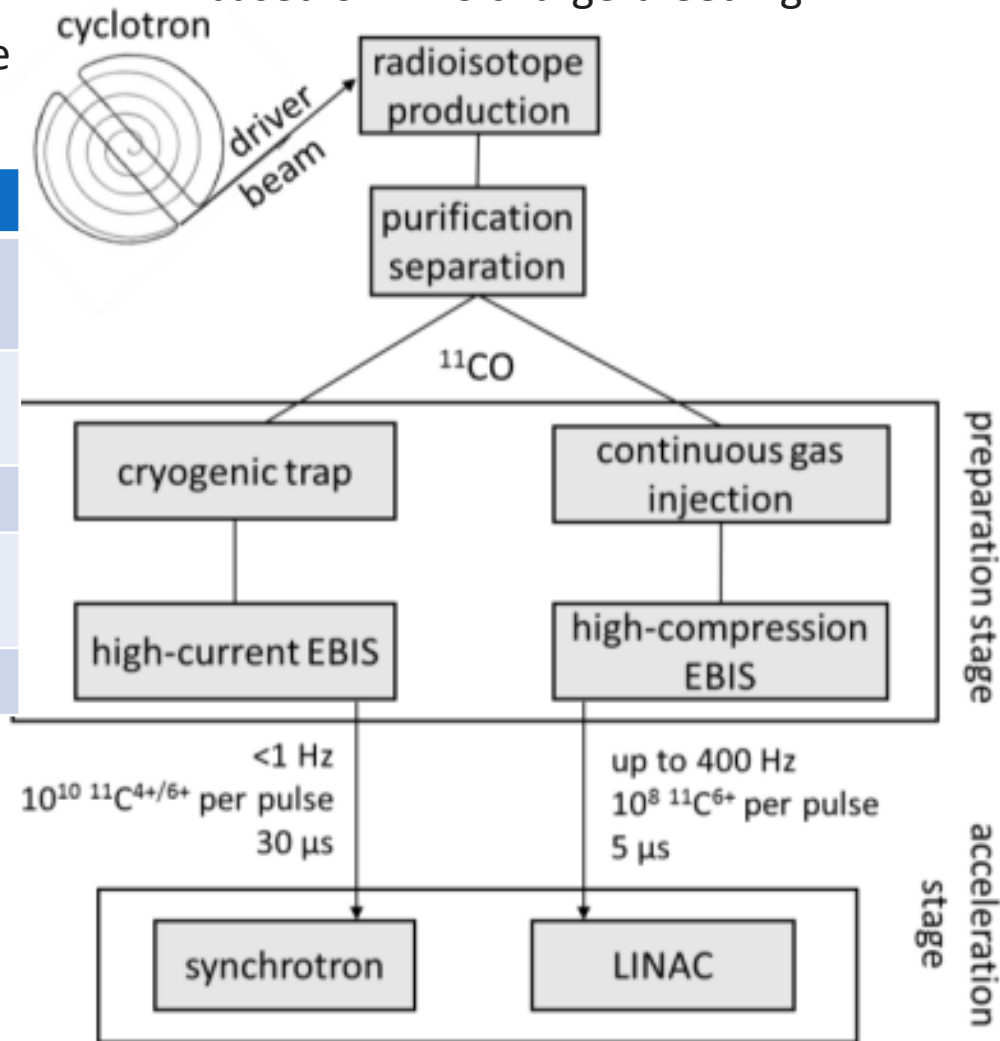
Charge breeding:	ECRIS	EBIS
Space charge capacity	High, no problem	At the limit
$t_{\text{extraction}}$	$\sim$ ms (afterglow)	down to 5 μ s
Contaminants out	High levels	UHV
Contaminants in	No restrictions	<100% of C^{11}
Charge state out	Peak at 4+	50% in 6+

* Tests at REX-ISOLDE ruled out Penning trap + EBIS & continuous 1+ ion injection from separator into EBIS

Technical Design Report for a Carbon-11 Treatment Facility,
doi: 10.3389/fmed.2021.697235

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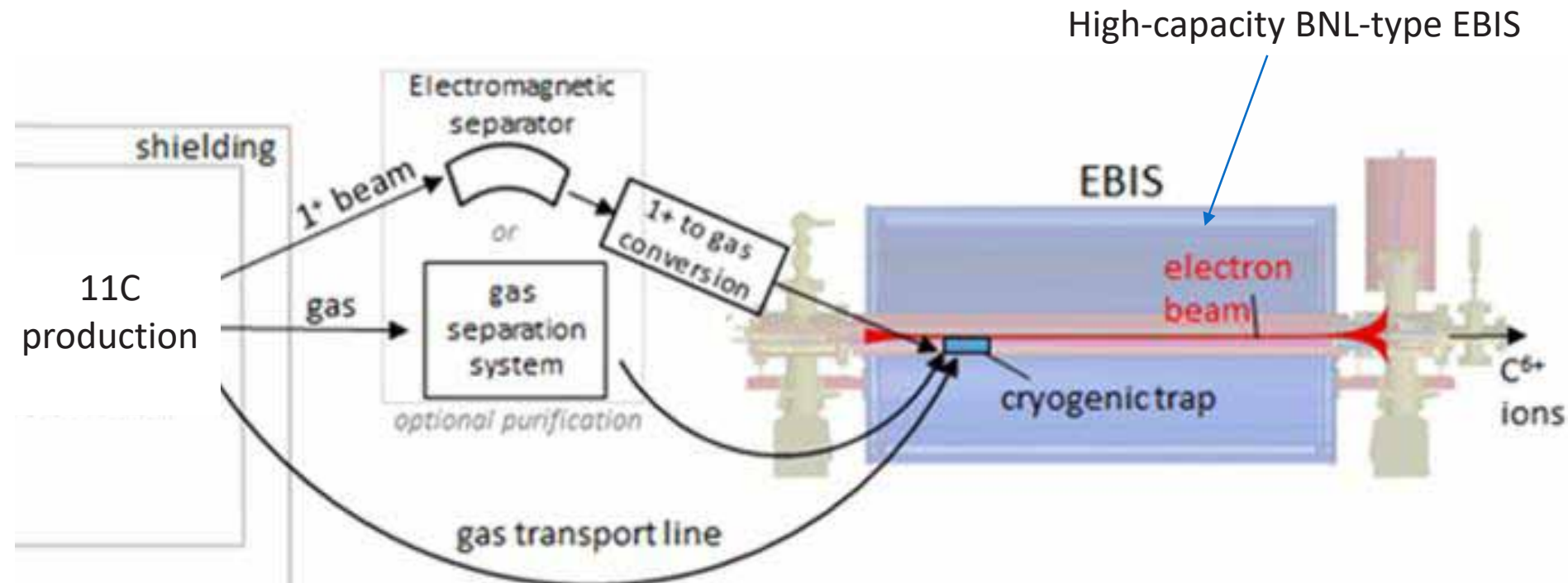
Possible routes for ^{11}C treatment based on EBIS charge breeding



From CERN-ACC-NOTE-2018-0078

11C Synchrotron-based treatment facilities

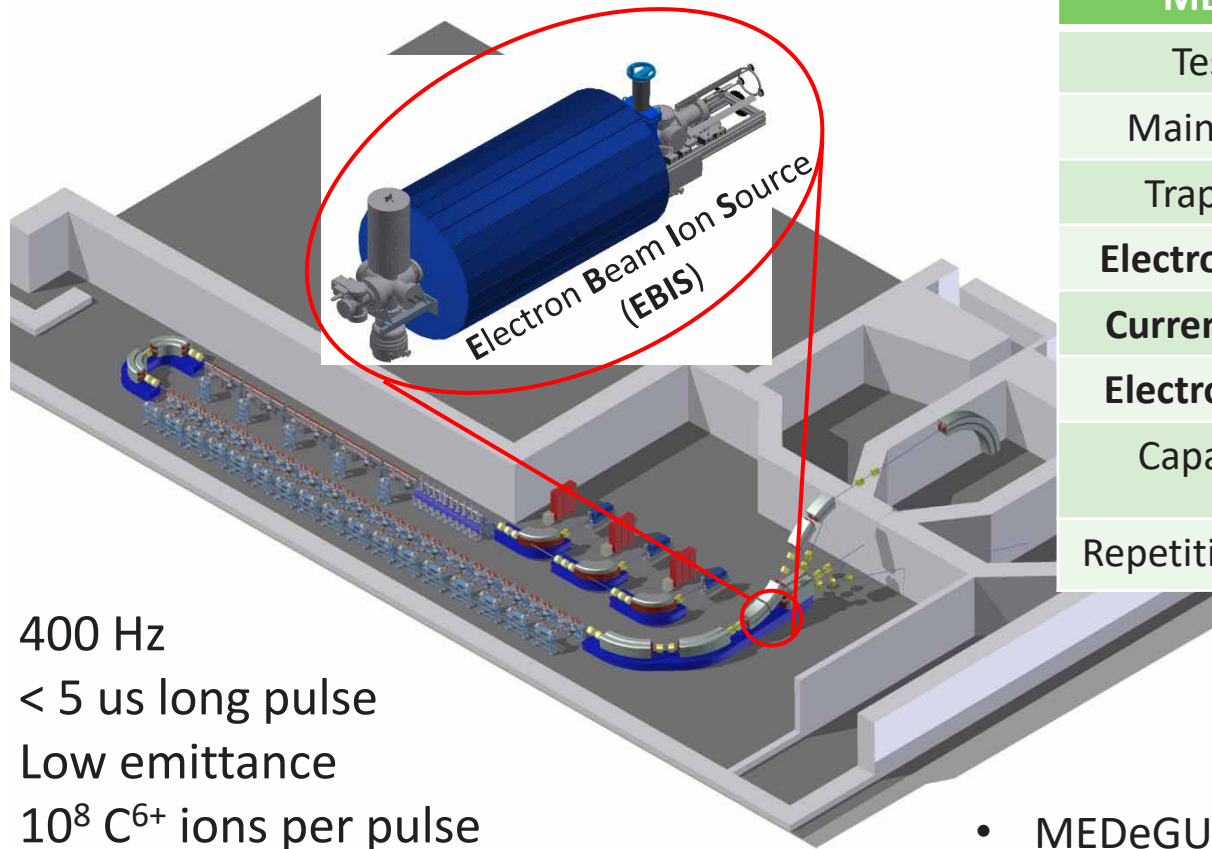
- * Heat up cryogenic trap ~40 ms before pulse ejection
(avoids ion heating from electron beam during the full synchrotron cycle)
- * Charge breed ~50% of ^{11}C to 6+ and eject
- * Cryogenic release inside EBIS successfully demonstrated at Dubna



11C Linac-based treatment facilities

Motivation: reduced footprint and higher accuracy of dose delivery

e.g. CABOTO: **C**arbon **B**ooster for **T**herapy in **O**ncology



- 400 Hz
- < 5 μ s long pulse
- Low emittance
- 10^8 C^{6+} ions per pulse

MEDeGUN design parameters

Test site	TwinEBIS, CERN
Main magnet	2 T
Trap length	0.25 m
Electron current	1 A
Current density	1.5 kA/cm ²
Electron energy	7.5 - 10 keV
Capacity C^{6+}	$1 \cdot 10^8$ ions/pulse
Repetition rate C^{6+}	180 Hz

Equipped with:

- MEDeGUN: high compression **Brillouin e- gun** (cathode sees no B-field)
- Low-e- beam energy, **optimized for C^{6+}**
 - Achievable vacuum $1 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar

S. Verdu-Andres et al., Journal of Radiation Research 54 (2013) il55
S. Benedetti 2016 (talk) Update on TULIP and CABOTO projects

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Isolde Upgrades and Expansion

Existing Hall



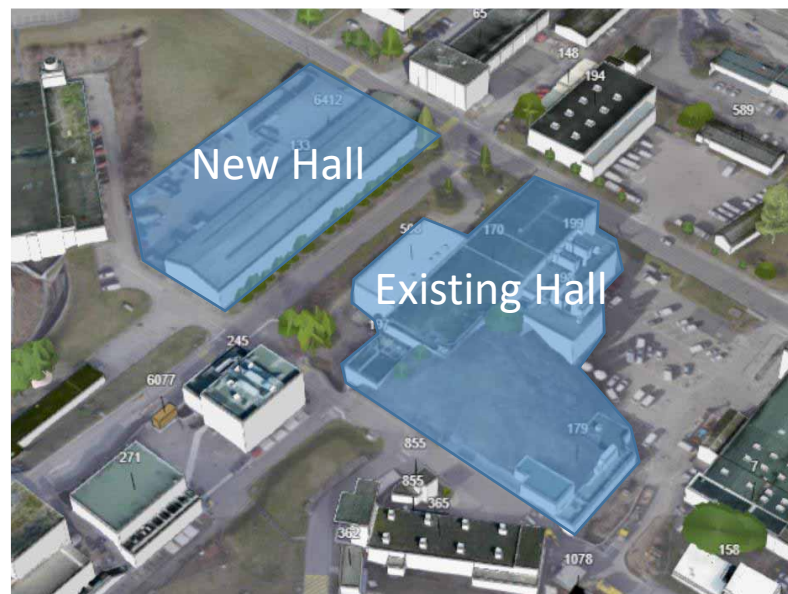
Mid-term goal (2025-2026)

- New beam dumps for 2 existing target stations, allowing to receive higher energy proton beam at double intensity
 - Upgrade of transfer line from PBS to ISOLDE to allow sending 2 GeV (+ 1.4 GeV) protons
 - Parallel RIB operation
- ➔ **Increase RIB beam intensity up to 40x (isotope dependent)**

Long-term goals (> 2025): EPIC proposal

- New ISOLDE building + target stations
- Dedicated space and facilities for new (and existing) low-energy experiments
- Improved beam purity (mass resolution) and quality (time structure)
- Parallel operation with existing (HIE-ISOLDE) facility
- Space for new re-accelerated RIB experiments, including a new compact storage ring

ISOLDE-EPIC Workshops 2019 and 2020



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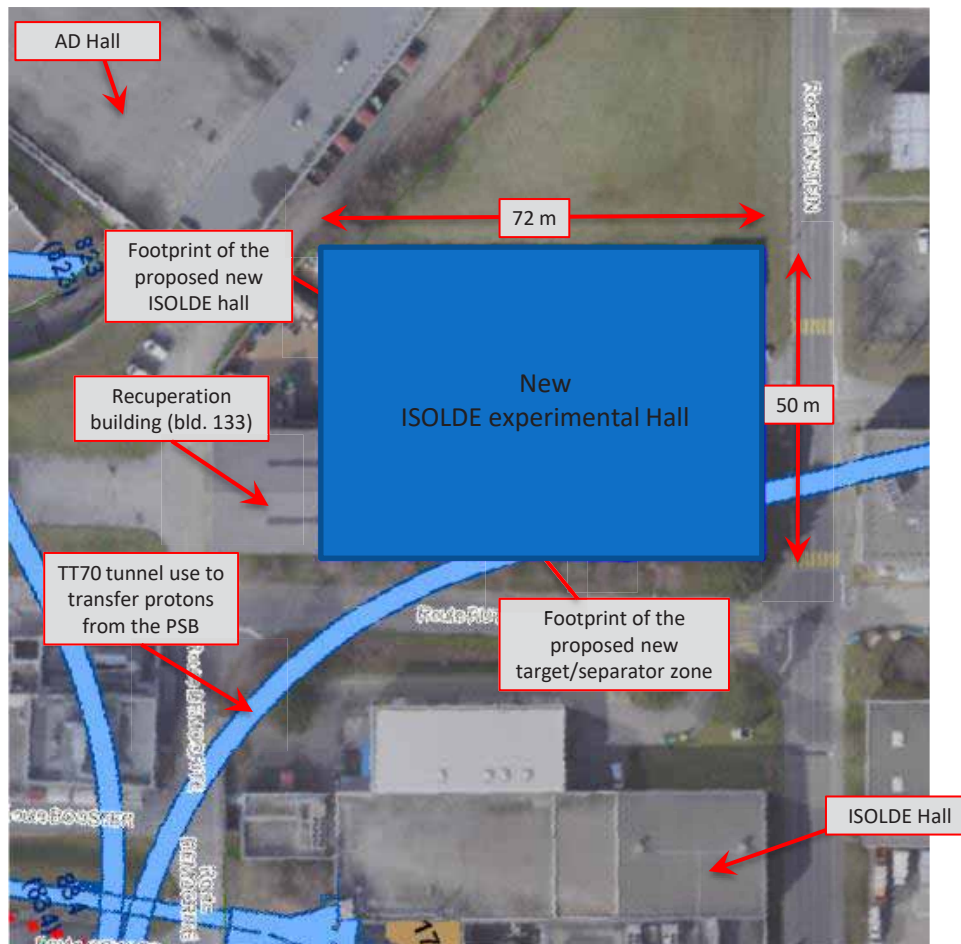
Summary

- ISOLDE at CERN: longest running ISOL-type radioactive ion beam facility
- Ongoing developments to keep it at the forefront of research:
 - More beams
 - Purer beams
 - Post-acceleration
 - Medical isotopes
 - ^{11}C for hadron therapy
 - Future: upgrades and EPIC proposal

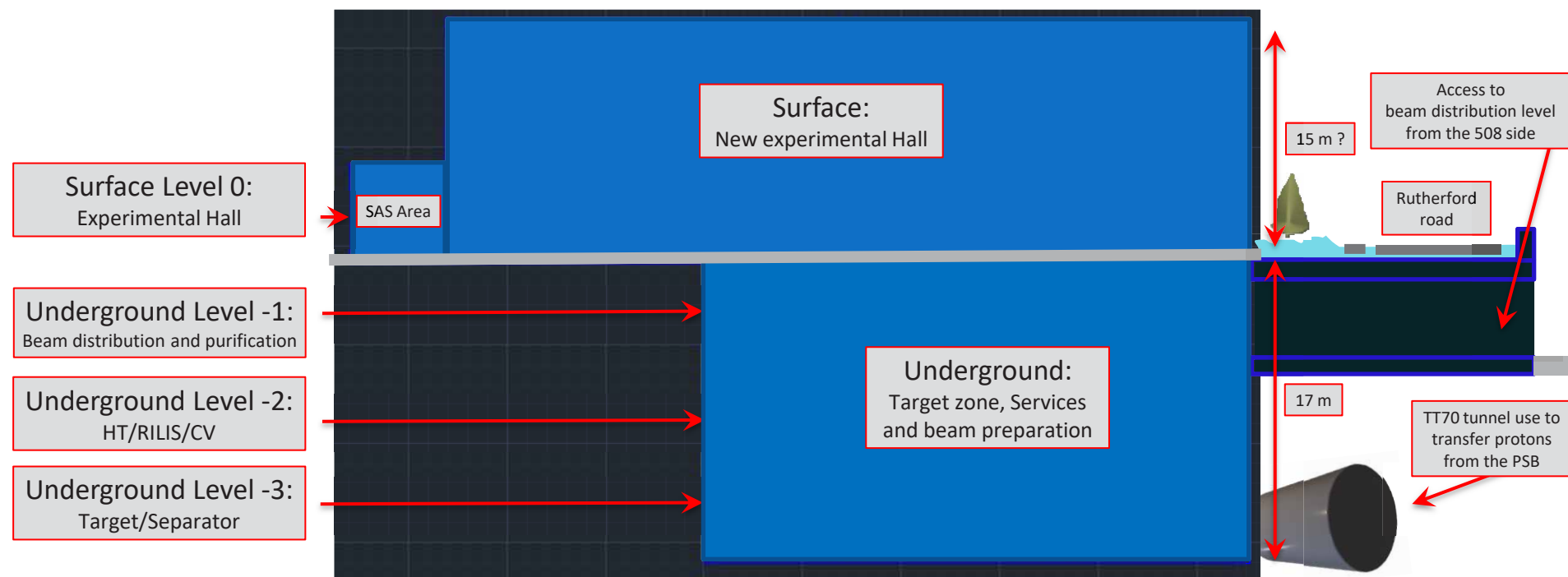
Backup slides

- Proposed layout of the new ISOLDE experimental hall proposed within the ISOLDE-EPIC proposal:
- <https://indico.cern.ch/event/928894/timetable/#20201125.detailed>
- Talks by E. Siesling and J A Rodriguez

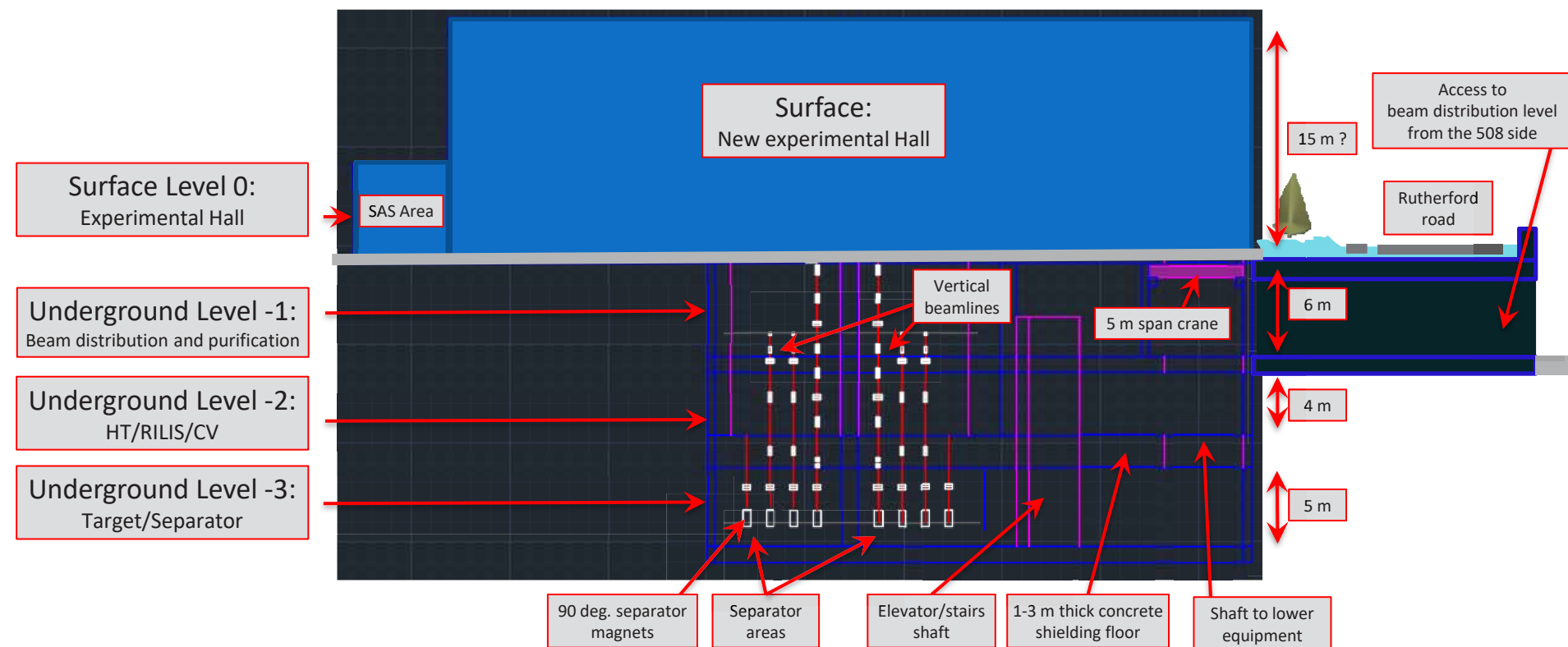
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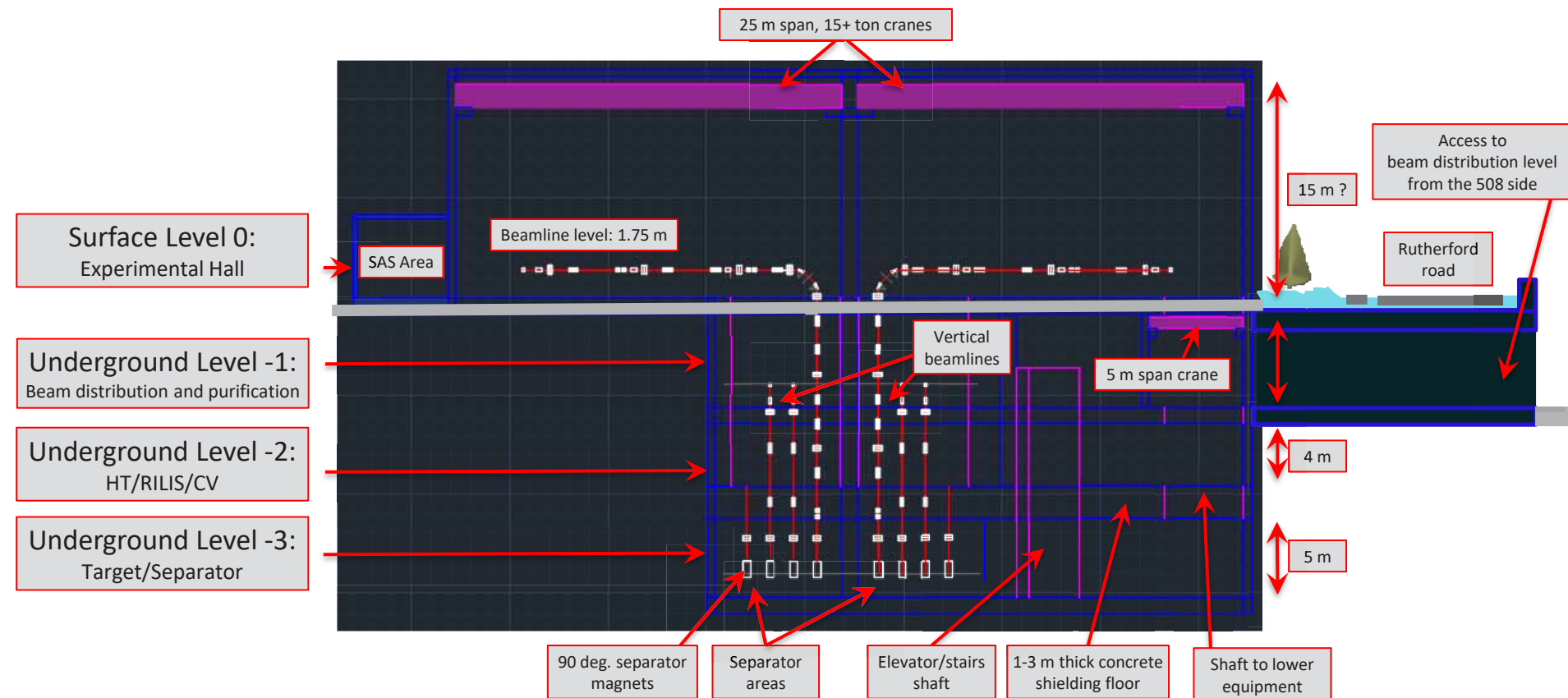
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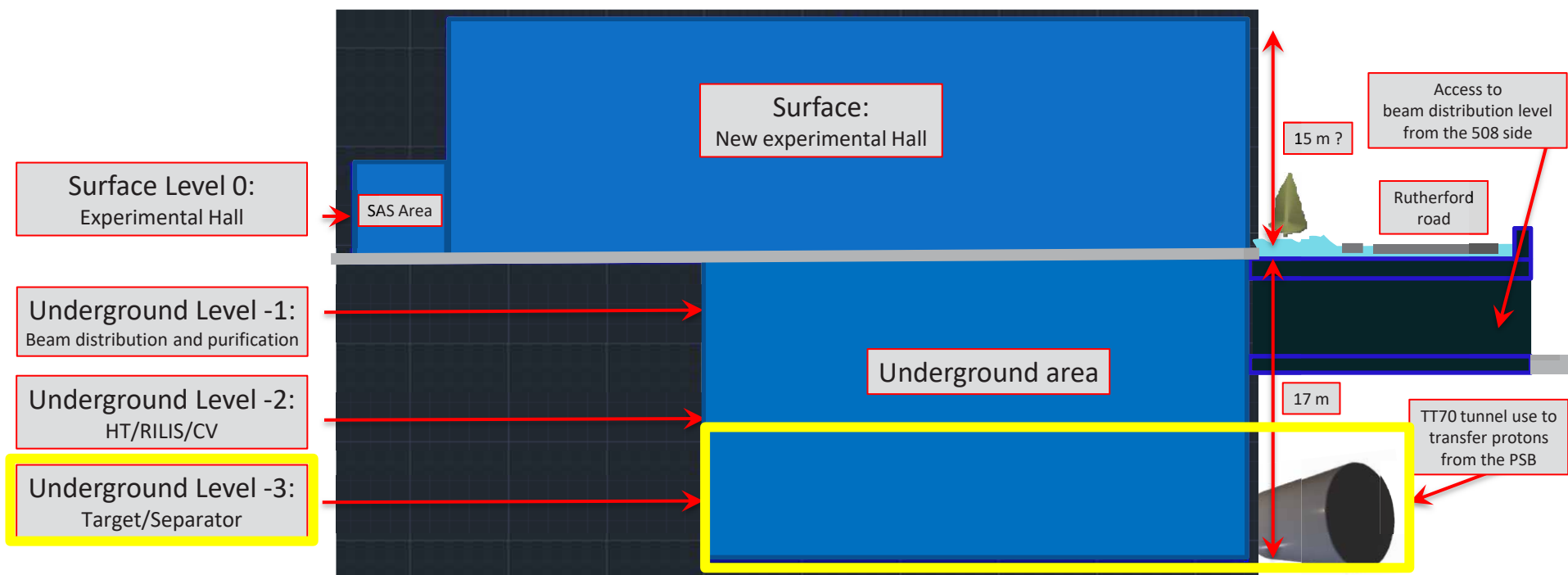
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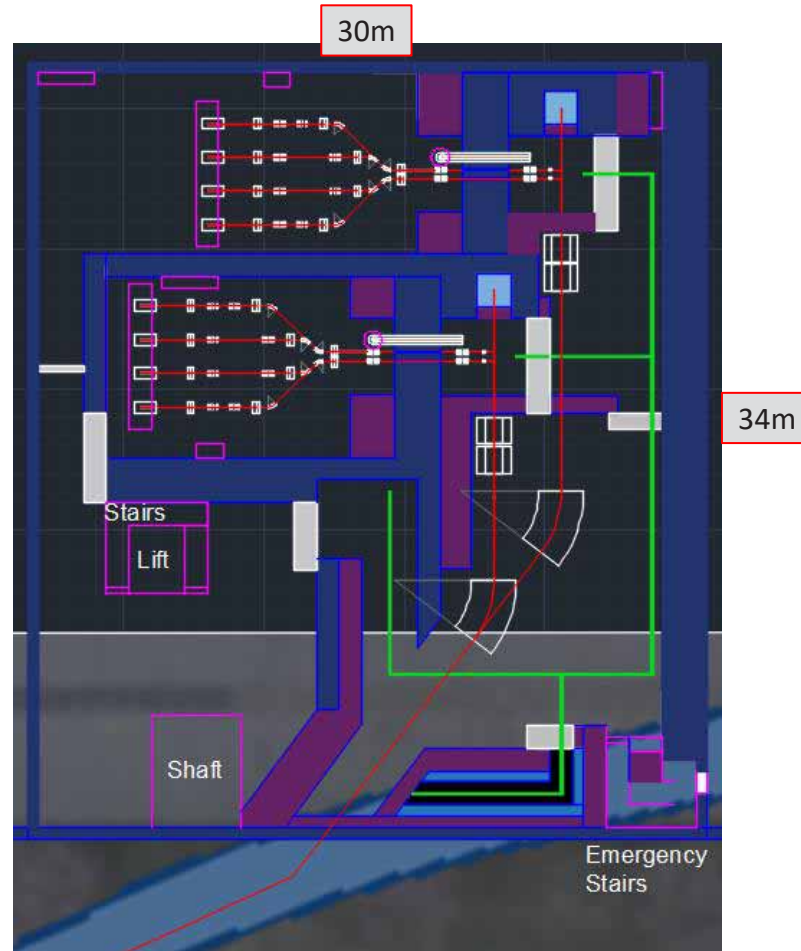
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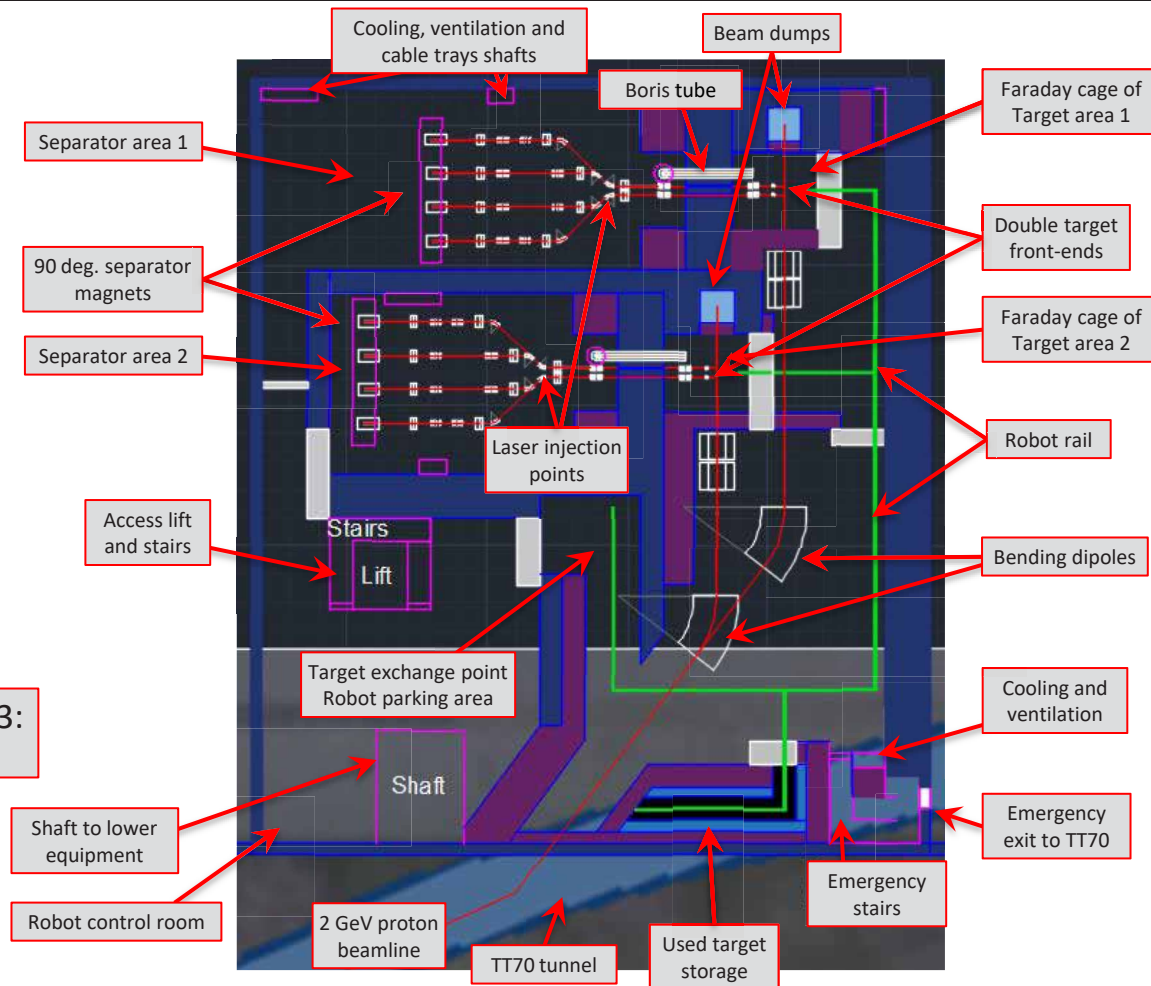
Layout of Underground Level -3: Target/Separator Zones:



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Target/Separator

Surface: 1020m²

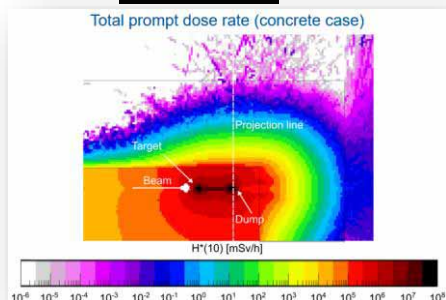
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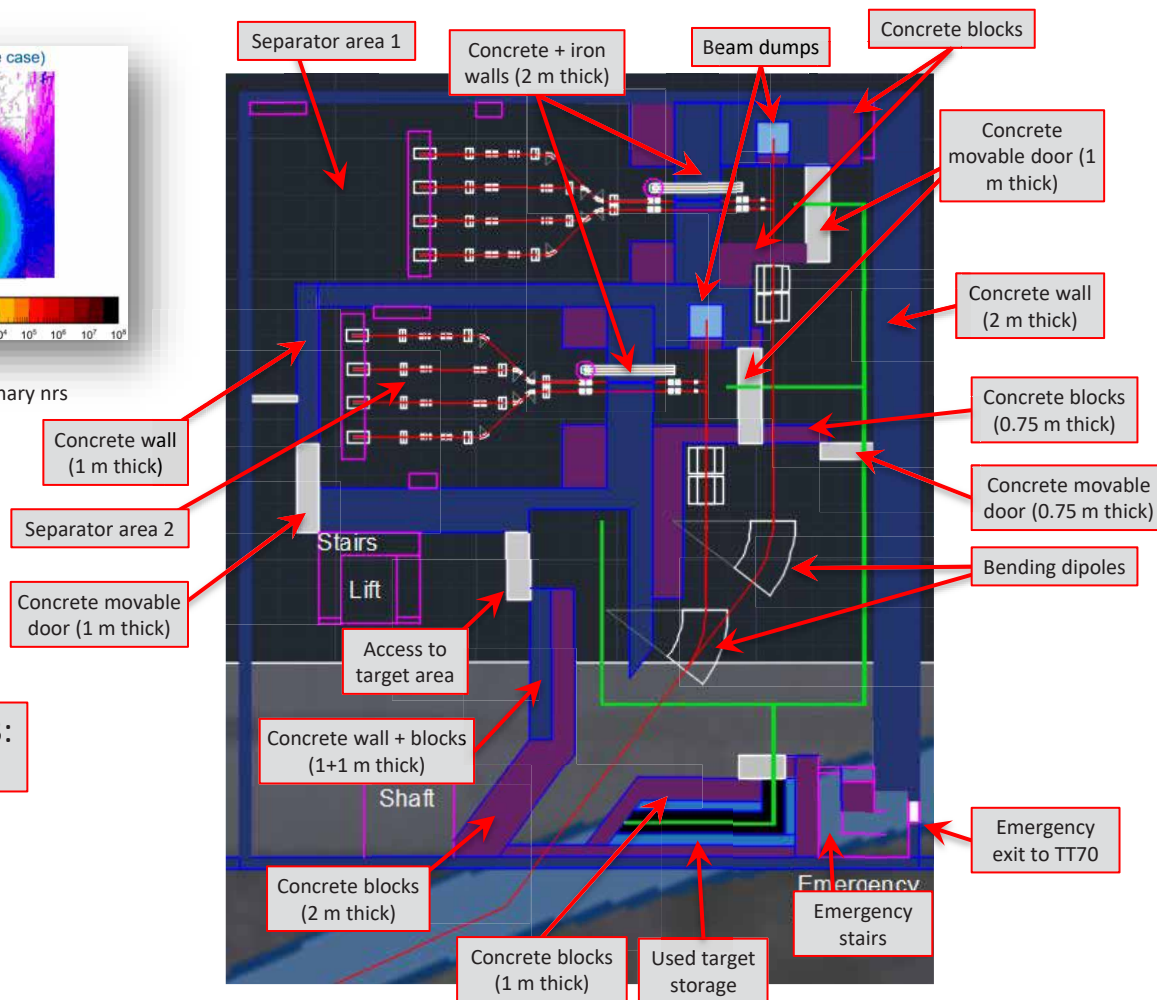
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Radiation shielding of Underground Level -3: Target/Separator

Zones:



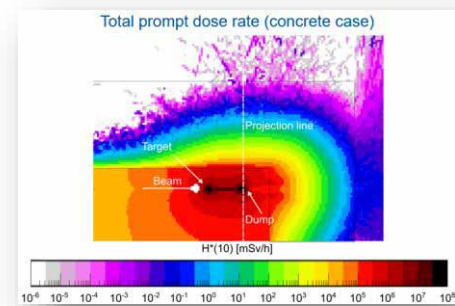
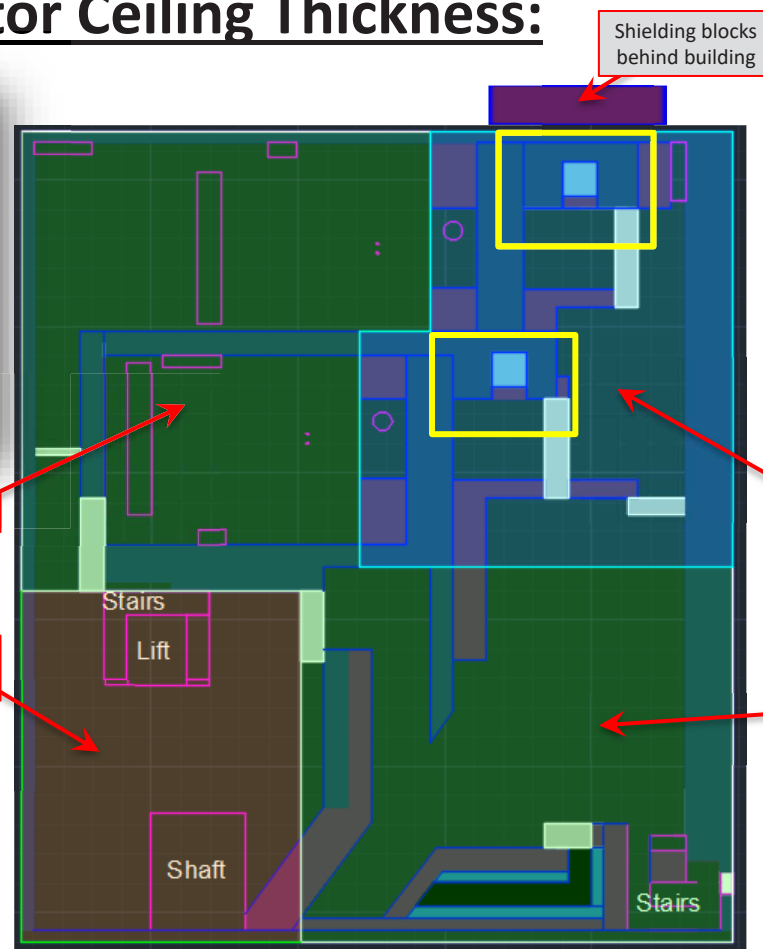
Courtesy F. Pozzi
ISOLDE beam dump study preliminary nrs



Underground Level -3:
Target/Separator

Target/Separator Ceiling Thickness:

Area	Dose limit [year]	Ambient dose equivalent rate		Sign
		permanent	low occupancy	
Non-designated	1 mSv	0.5 μ Sv/h	2.5 μ Sv/h	
Supervised	6 mSv	3 μ Sv/h	15 μ Sv/h	RADIATION RADIATION
Simple	20 mSv	10 μ Sv/h	50 μ Sv/h	DOSEMETER OBLIGATORY DOSEMETER OBLIGATOIRE
Limited Stay	20 mSv		2 mSv/h	LIMITED STAY SEJOUR LIMITE DOSEMETER OBLIGATORY DOSEMETER OBLIGATOIRE
High Radiation	20 mSv		100 mSv/h	HIGH RADIATION HAUTE RADIATION DOSEMETER OBLIGATORY DOSEMETER OBLIGATOIRE
Prohibited	20 mSv		> 100 mSv/h	PROHIBITED AREA ZONE INTERDITE No Entry Défense d'entrer

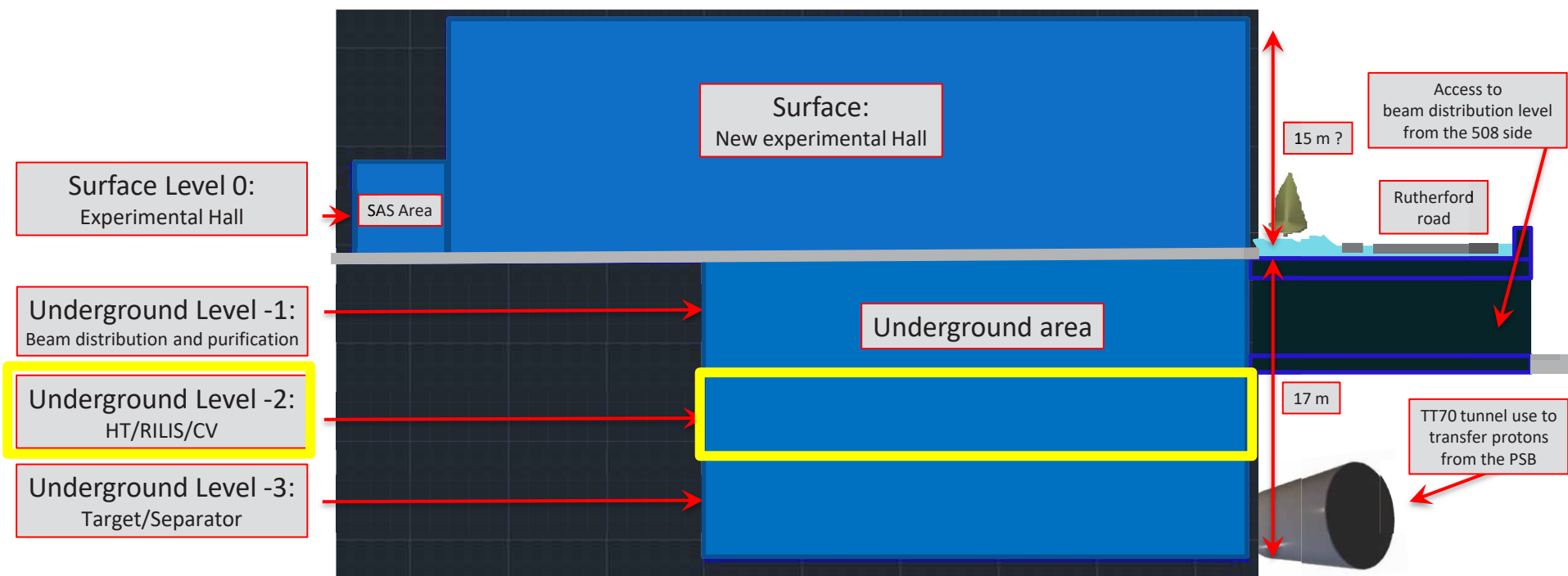


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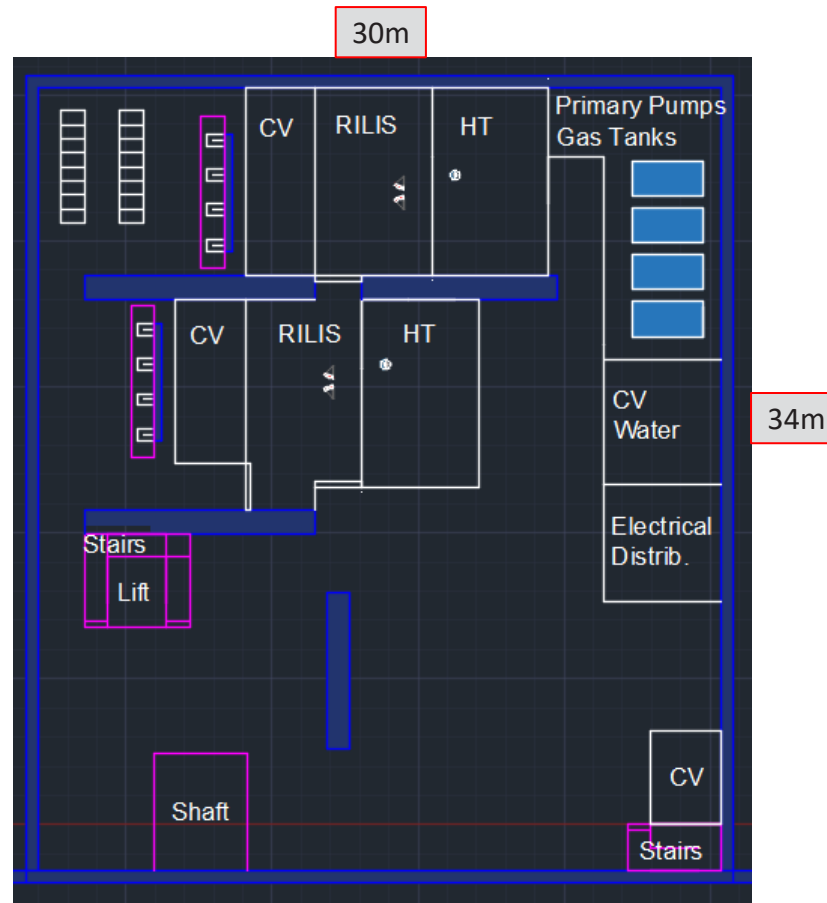
~5 m thick ceiling
blocks above dump area
increasing total to >7 m

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Target/Separator

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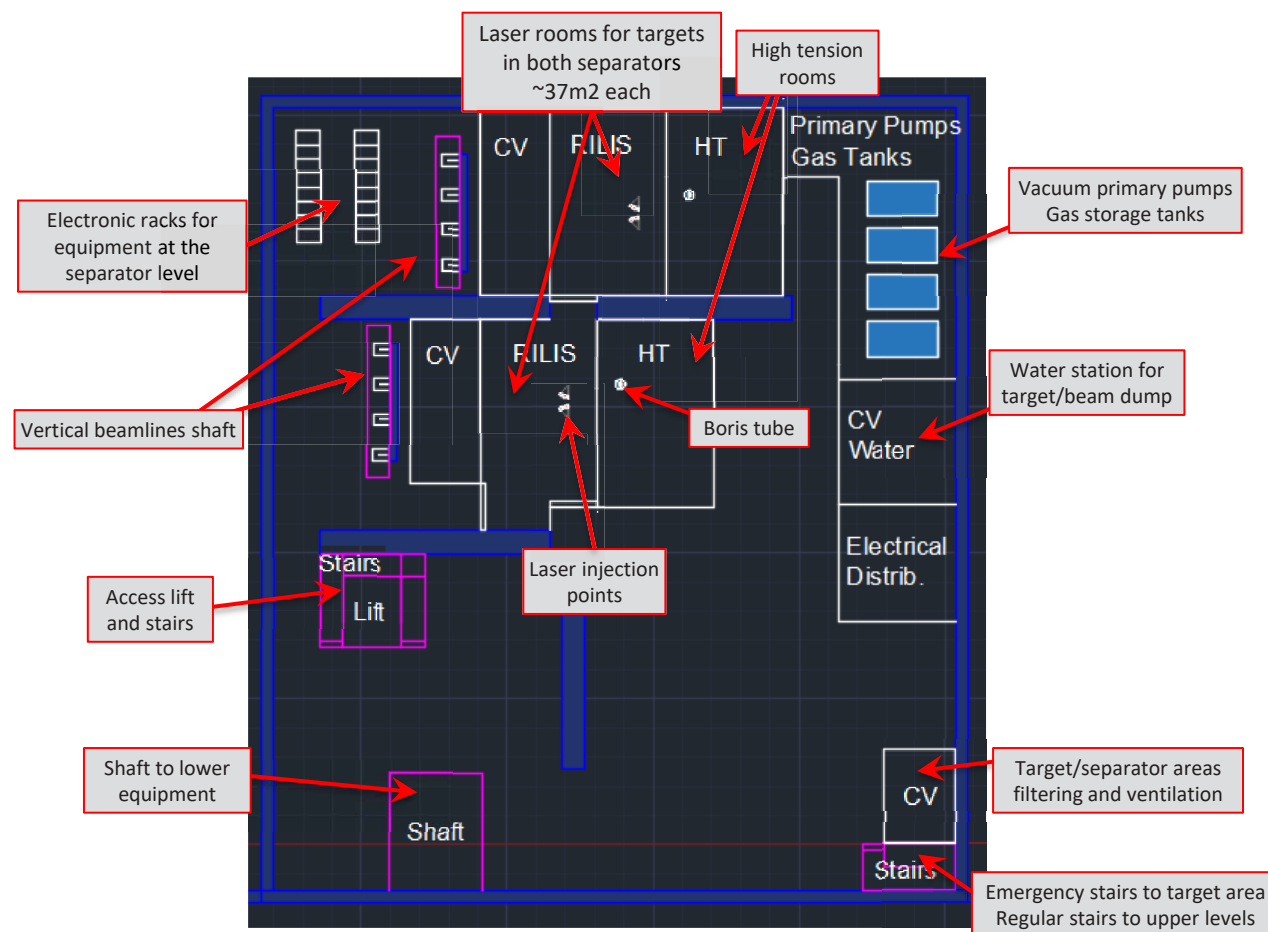
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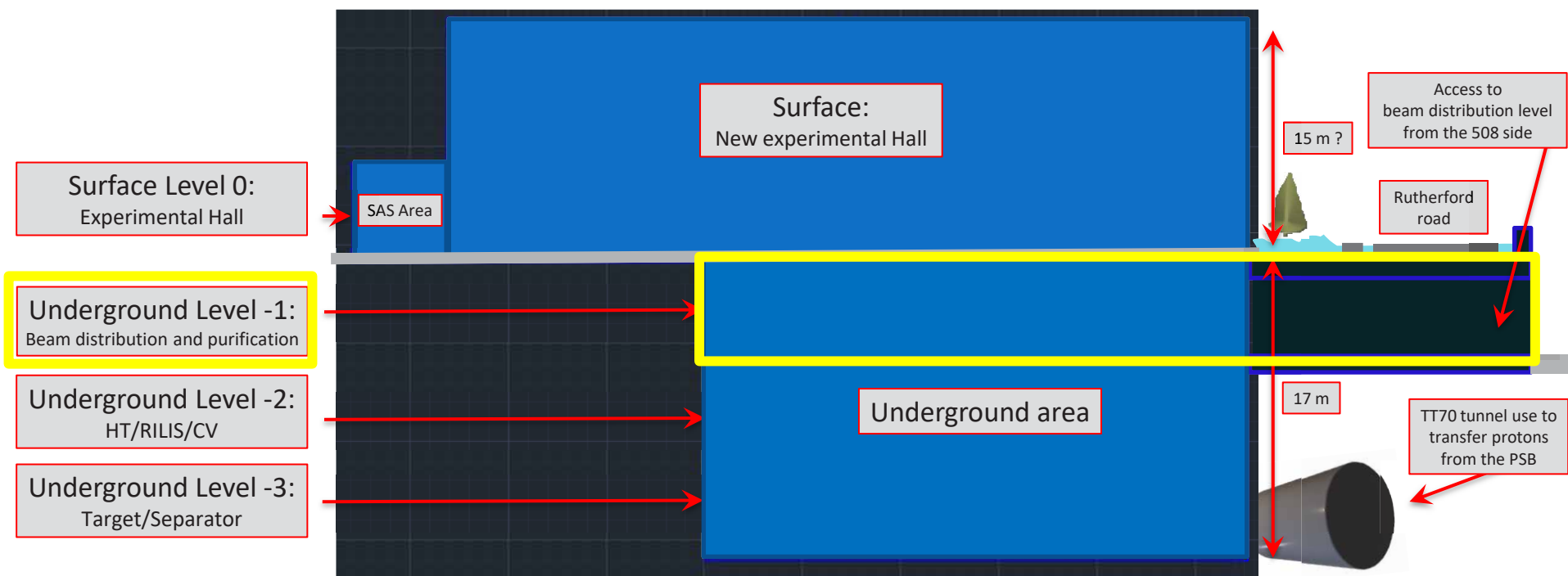
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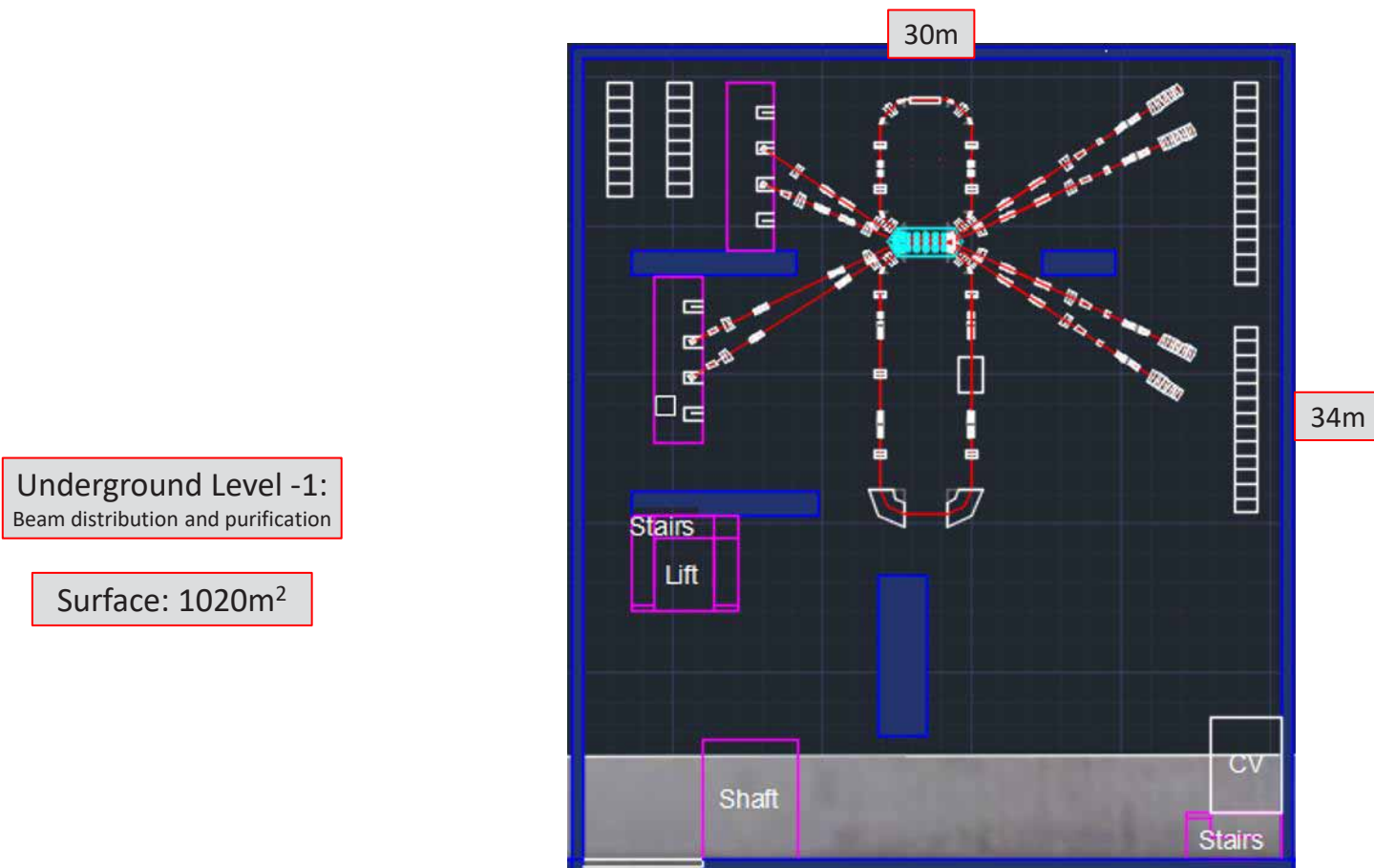


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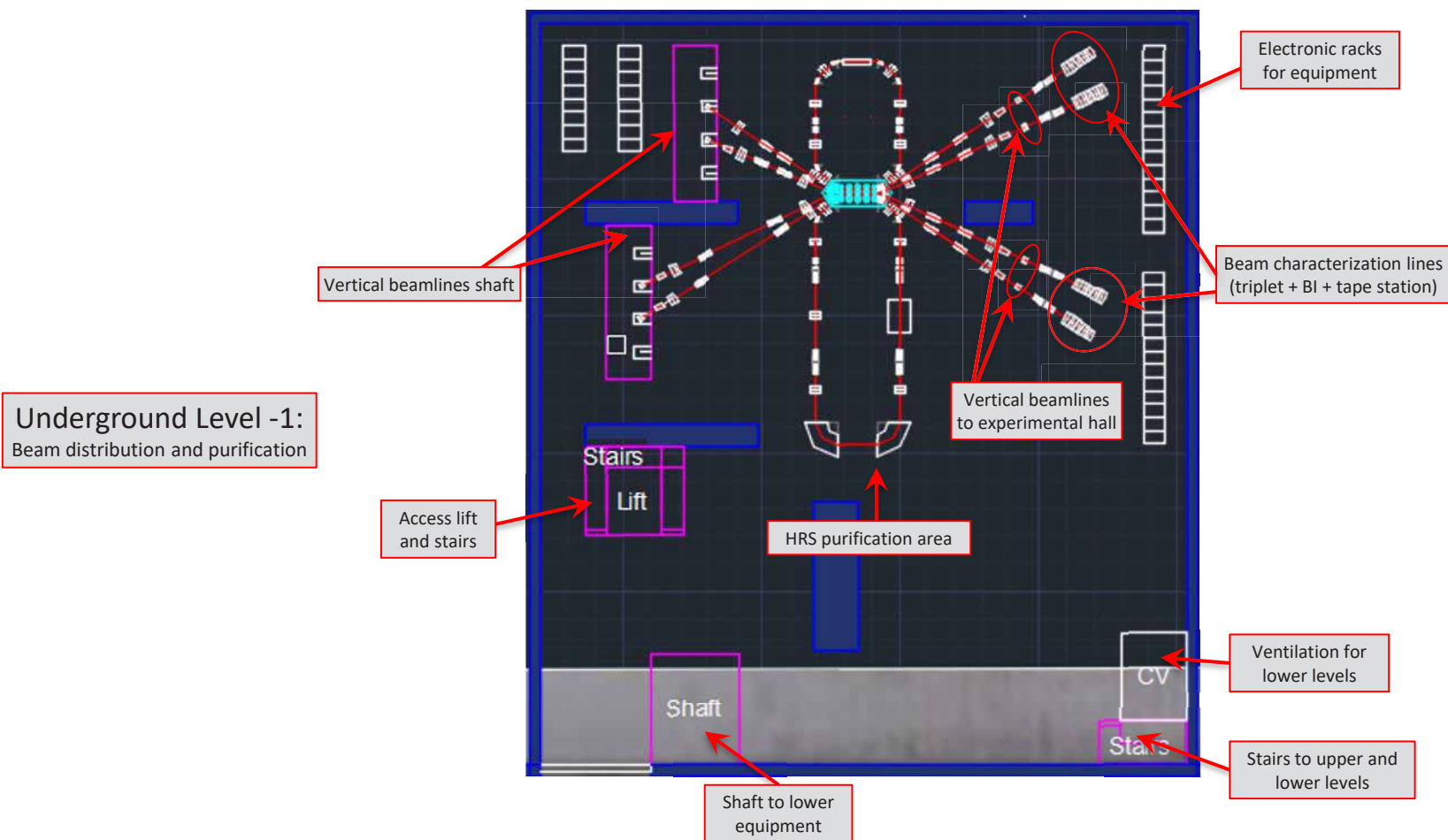
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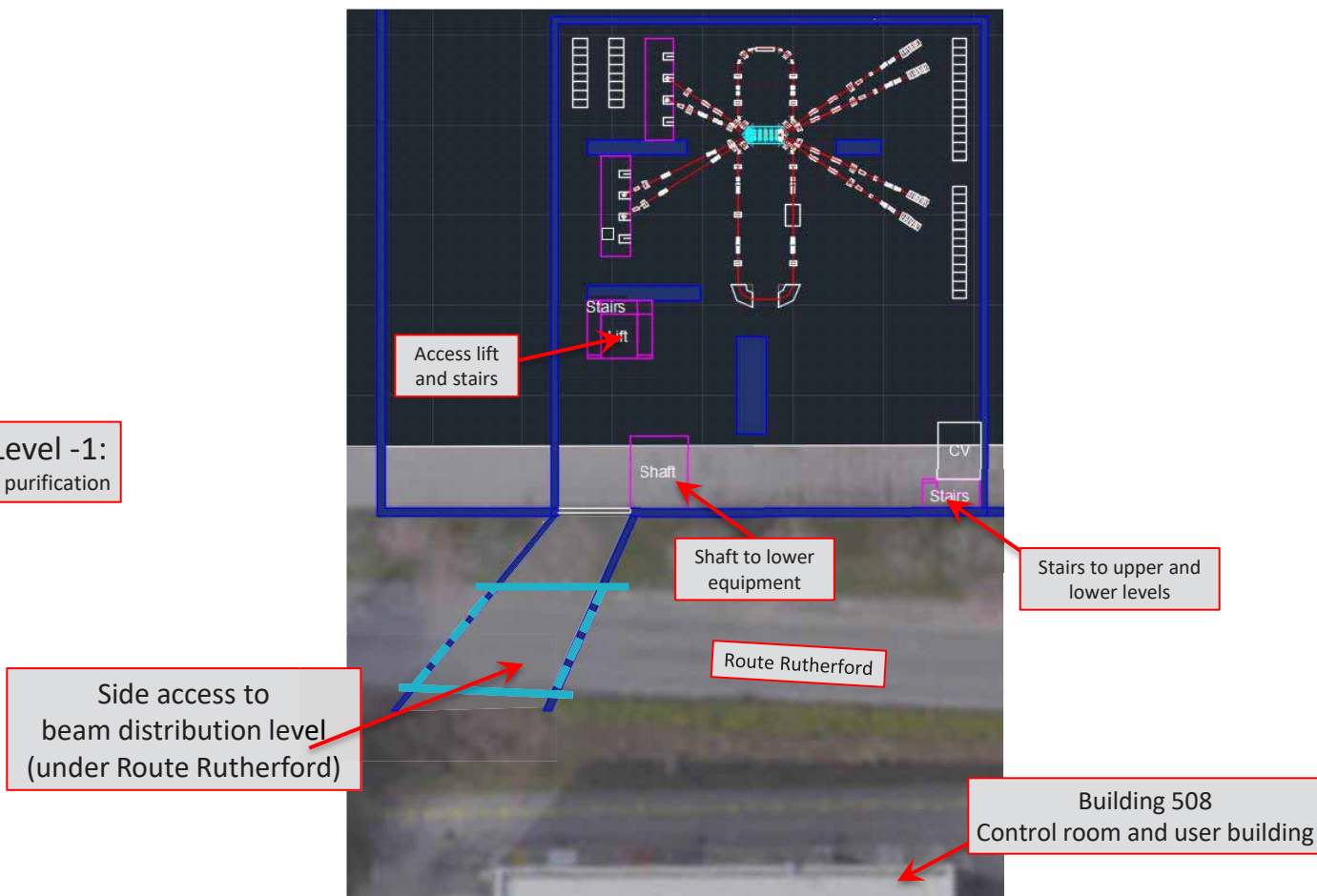


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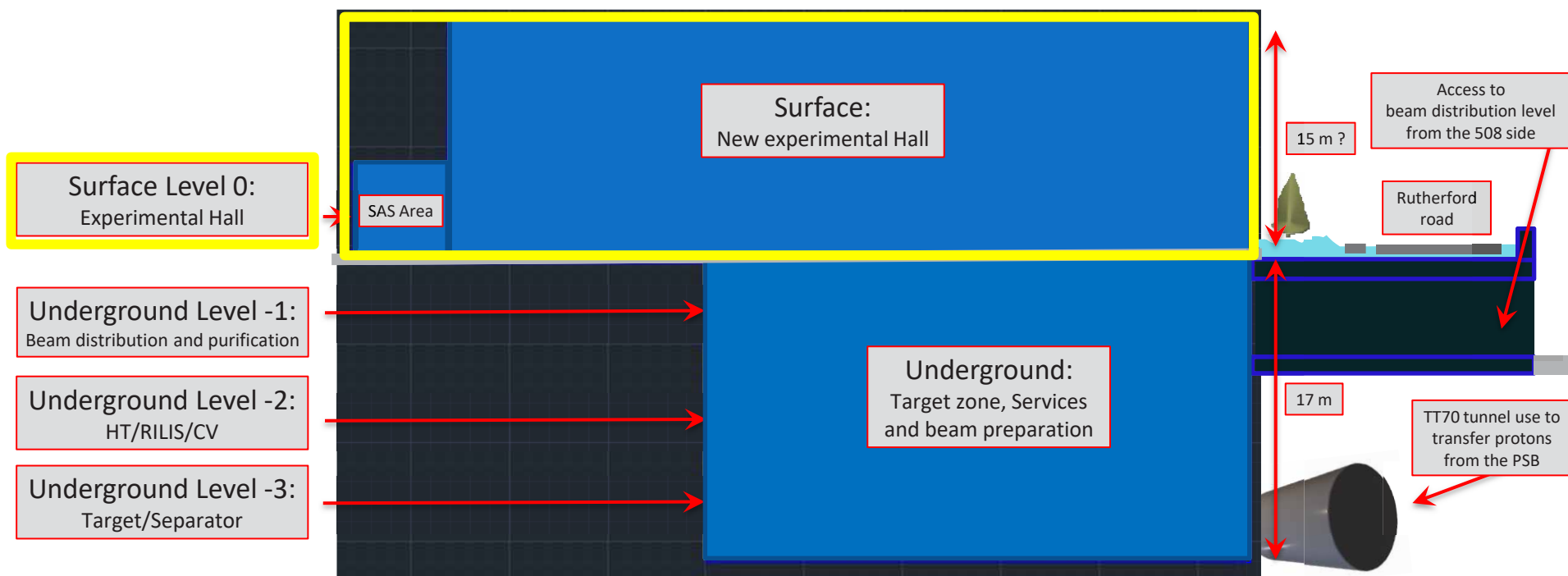


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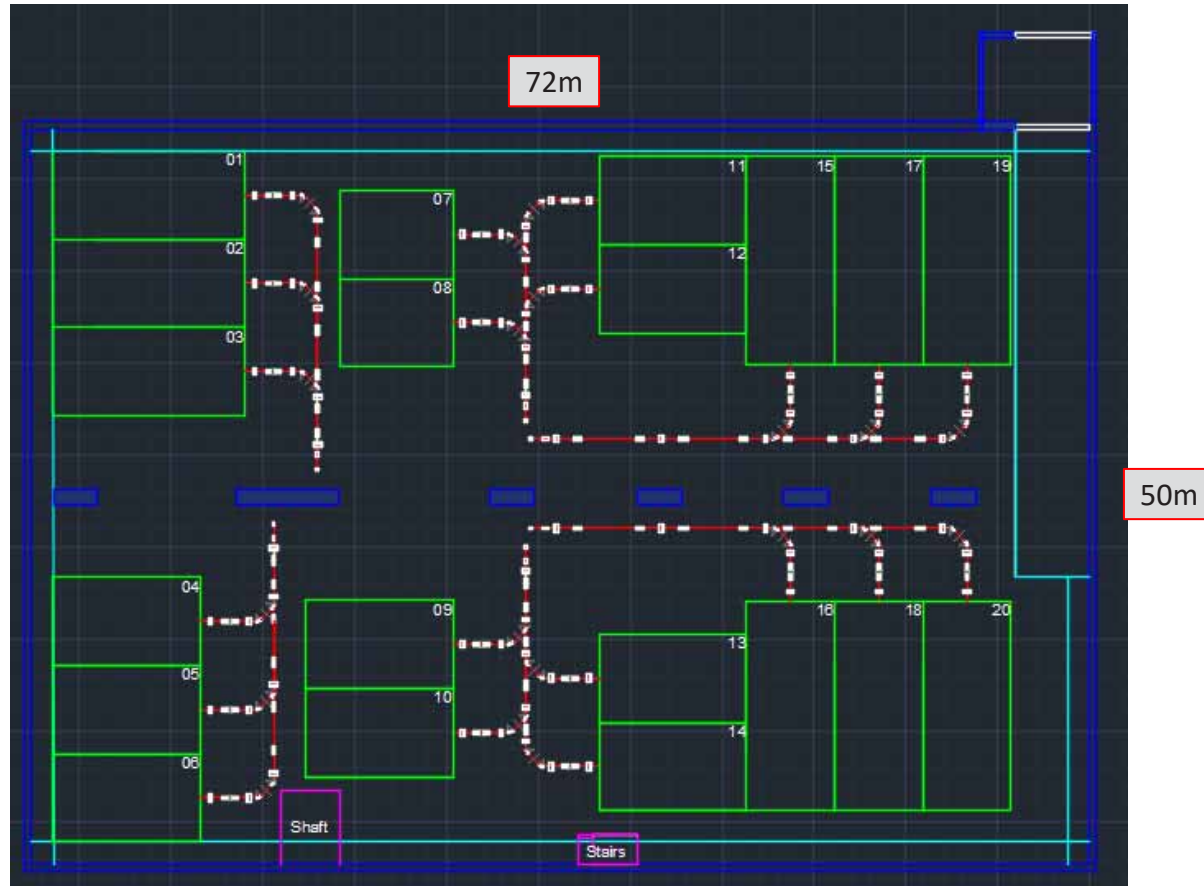
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Layout of the experimental hall:

Surface Level 0:
Experimental Hall

Surface: 3600m²
Low E dedicated

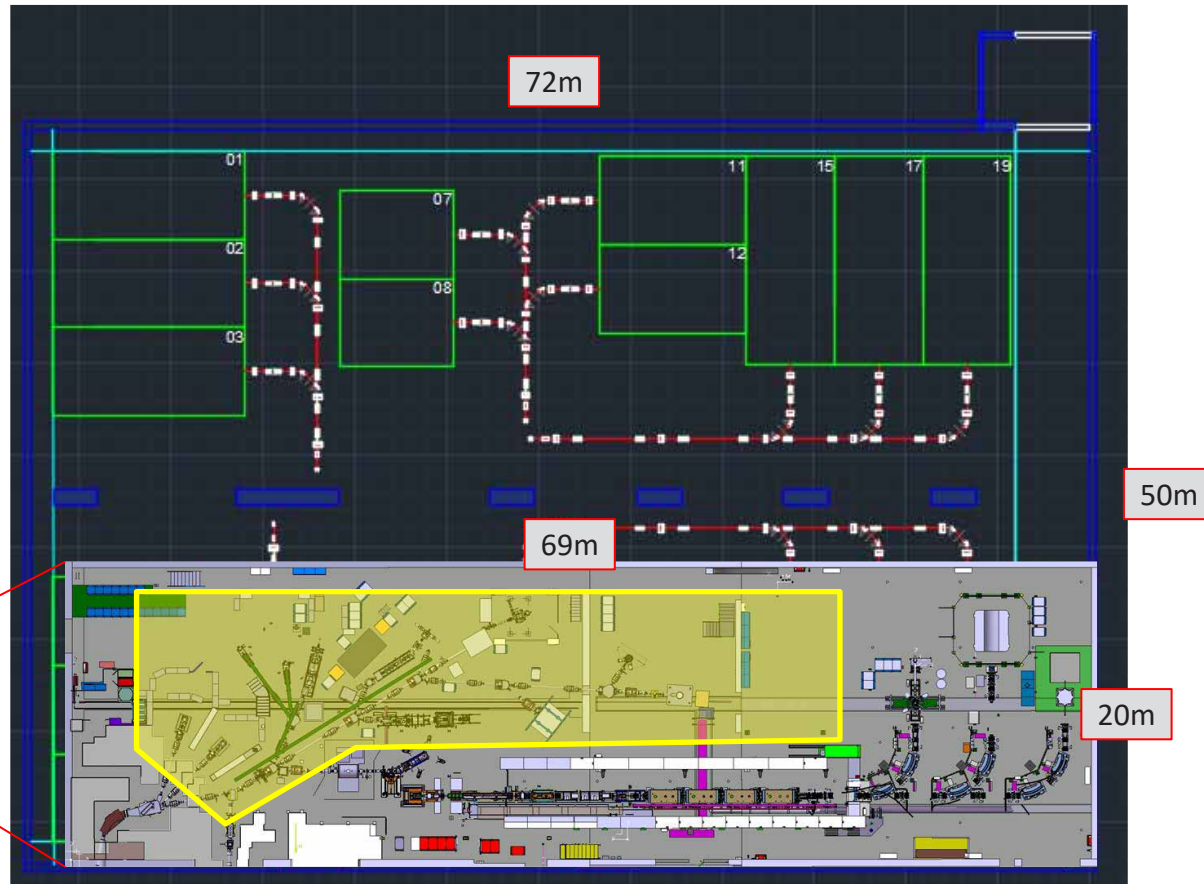


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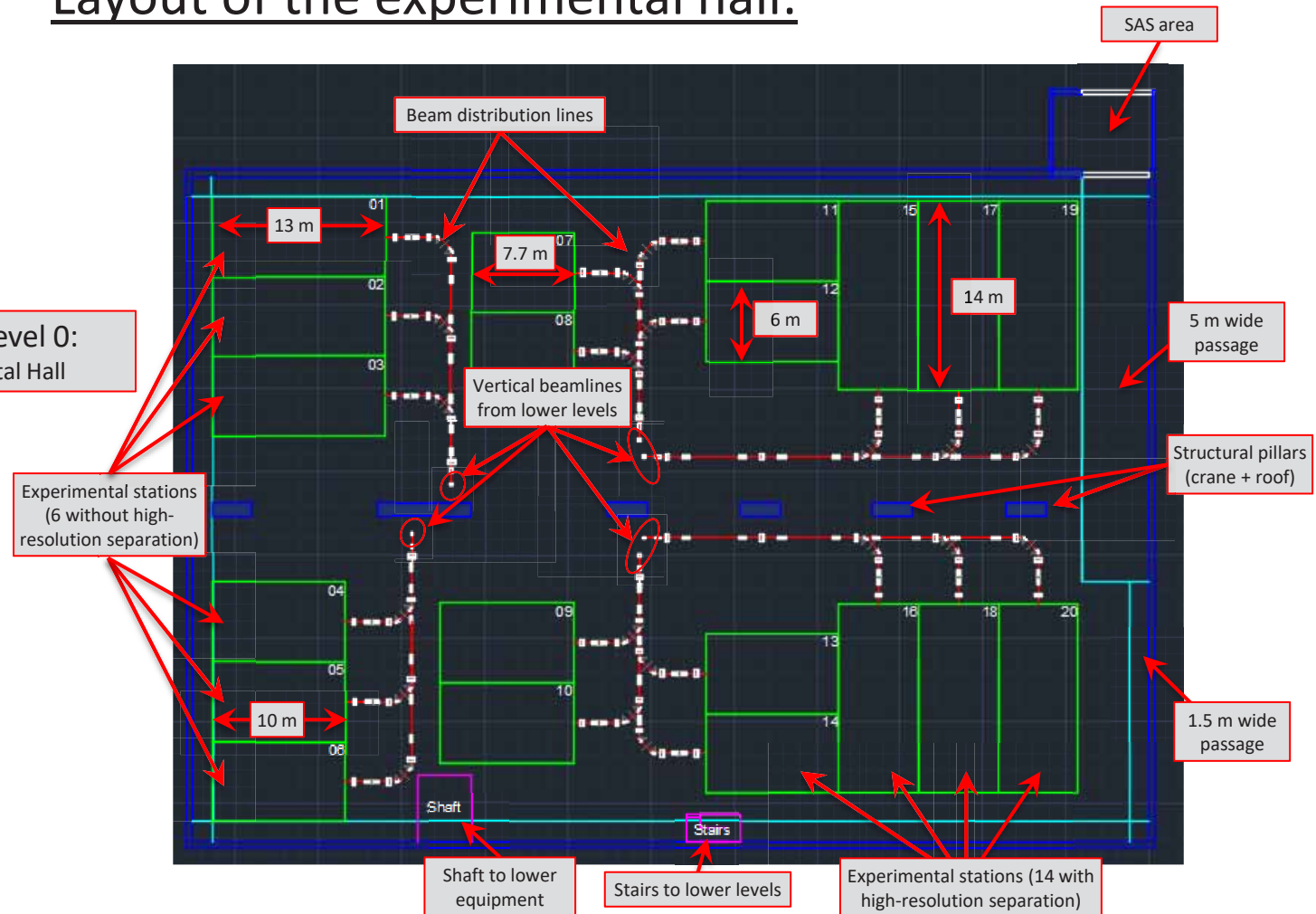
Surface Level 0:
Experimental Hall

Surface: 3600m²
Low E dedicated

Surface existing hall:
1380m²
Of which half is occupied
by the GPS separator zone,
the REX/HIE ISOLDE post-
accelerator and HEBT lines



Layout of the experimental hall:



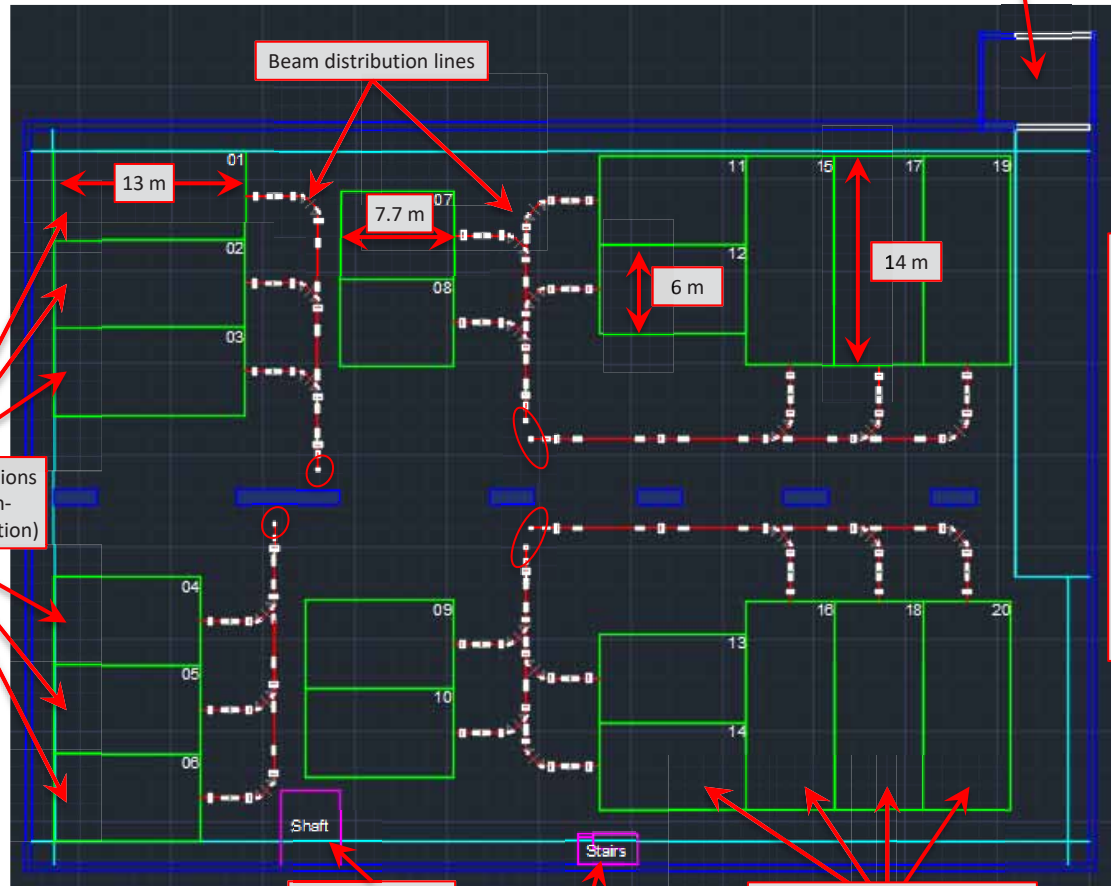
Layout of the experimental hall:

Surface Level 0:
Experimental Hall

Experimental stations
(6 without high-
resolution separation)

Beam distribution lines

SAS area



Shaft to lower
equipment

Stairs to lower levels

Experimental stations (14 with
high-resolution separation)

Experimental areas:
9: 6x10m (each 60m²)
6: 6x14m (each 84m²)
3: 6x13m (each 78m²)
2: 6x7.7m (each 46m²)

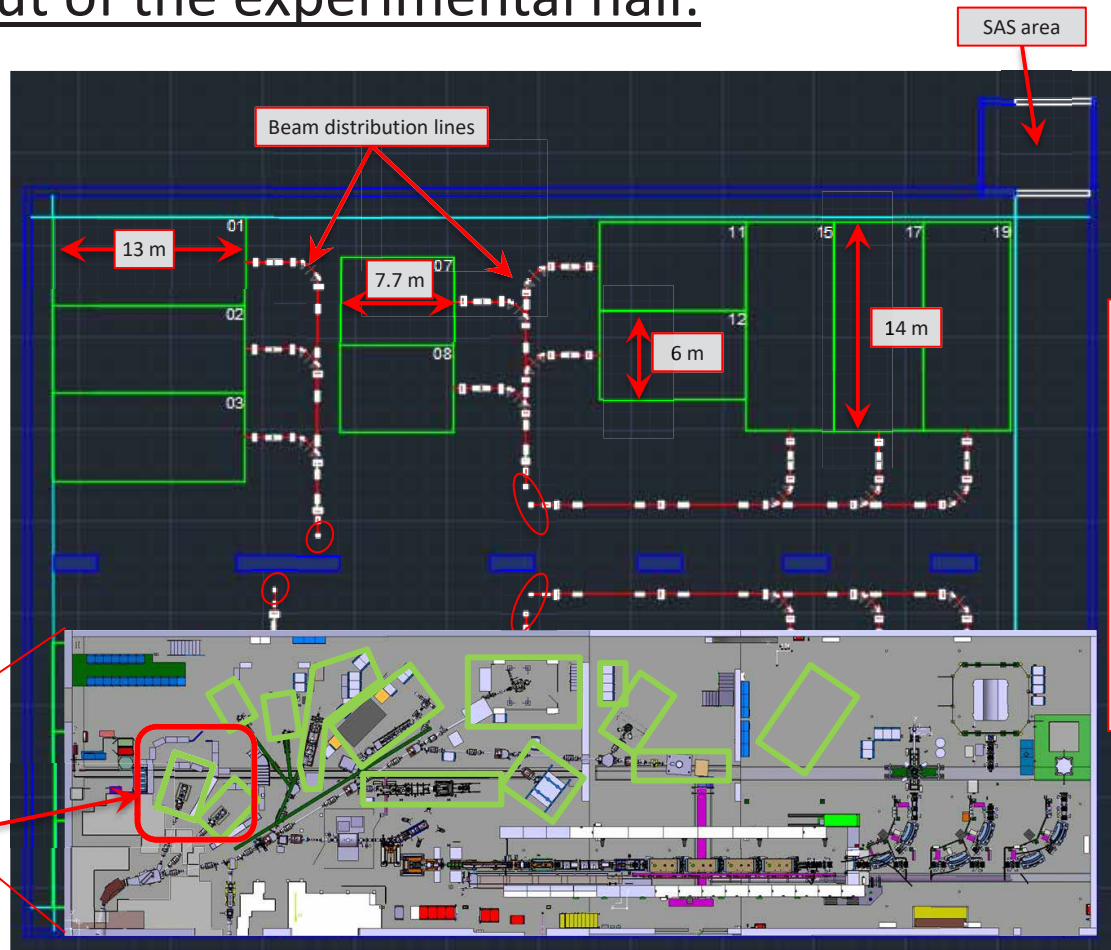
20 stations with a total
surface: 1370m²

Comfortability large
areas for housing setup
+ possible laser setup
barrack and exp.
infrastructure

Layout of the experimental hall:

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Experimental Hall

11+ Low E
experimental stations
in the existing hall:
To compare: The new
GLM/GHM zone is 57m²



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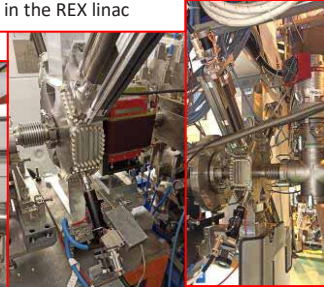
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Hardware changes during LS2: REX/HIE-ISOLDE

CM4 during installation
after repair in SM18



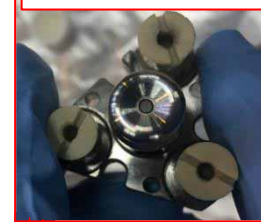
New diagnostic boxes and
steerers in the REX linac



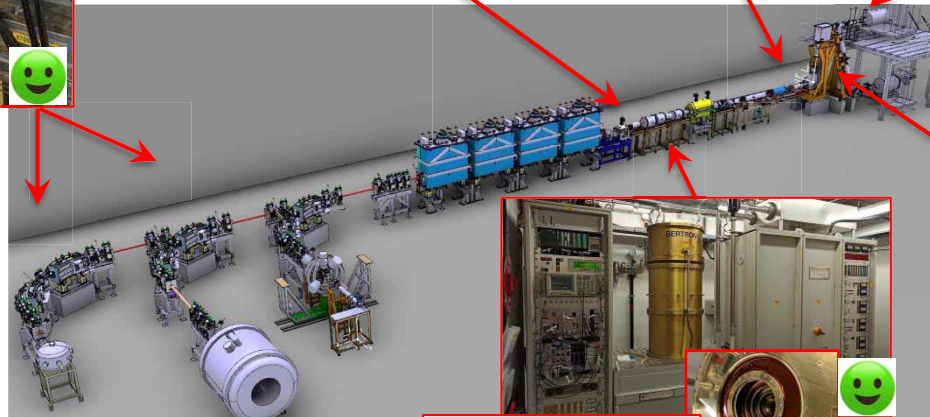
New power converters for
steerers and A/q separator



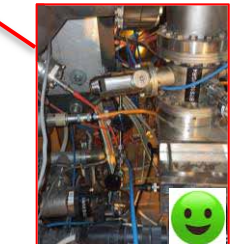
REX-EBIS new electron gun



- New REX-EBIS electron gun
- Power converter REX A/q dipole, steerers
- New gas injection in BTS line
- Repair of CM4
- Refurbishment of REX RF amplifiers
- Consolidation REX beam instrumentation
- Silicon detectors in HEBT (2 units)



RF amplifier 9GP structure



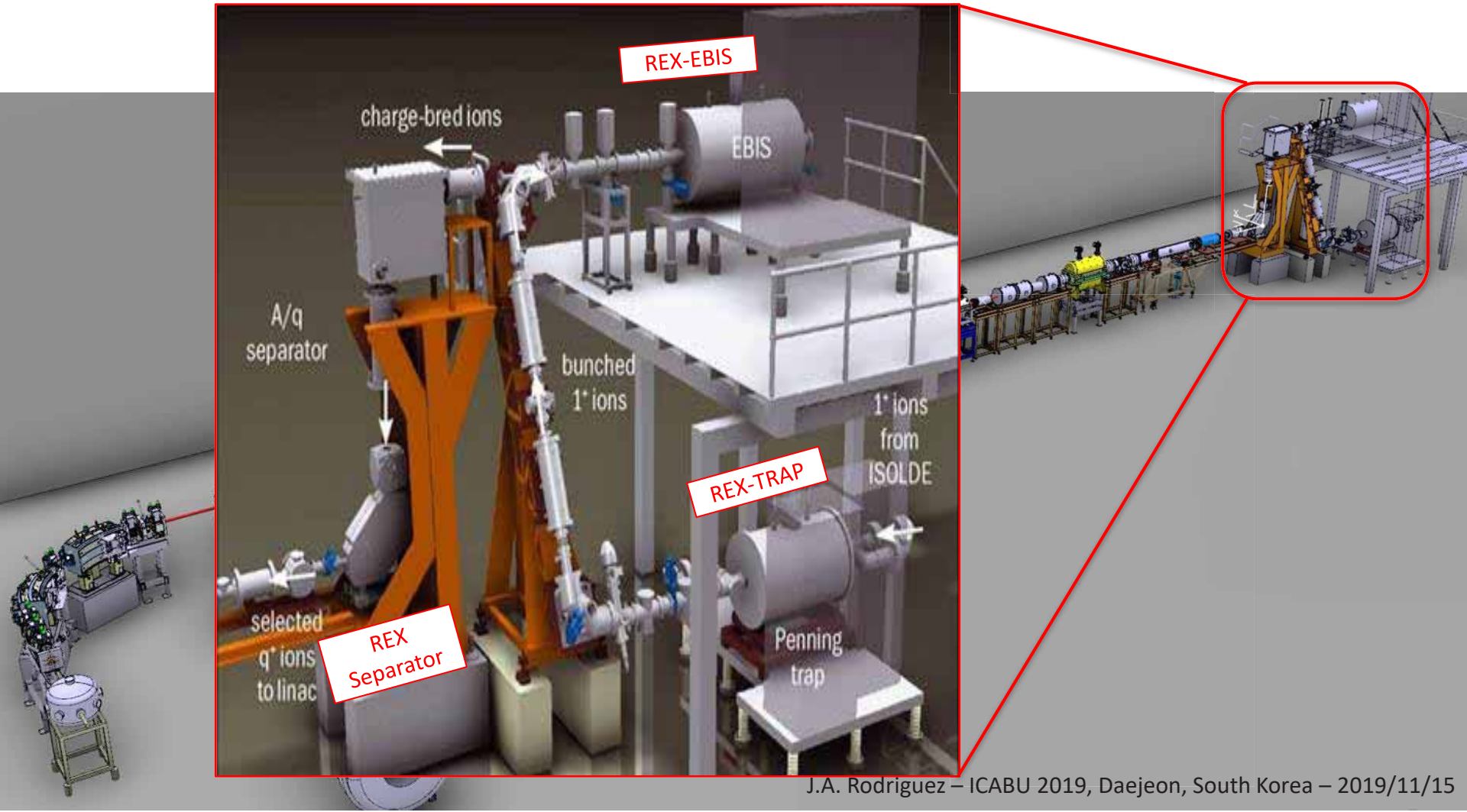
Needle valve of the new REX-EBIS
external gas injection system



Introduction to ISOLDE:



- Ions are accumulated and transversely cooled in the REX-TRAP and charge bred in the REX-EBIS
- The charge state of interest is selected in the REX separator before injection into the REX/HIE-ISOLDE linac for acceleration and delivery to one of the experimental stations



REX/HIE-ISOLDE beam energy:

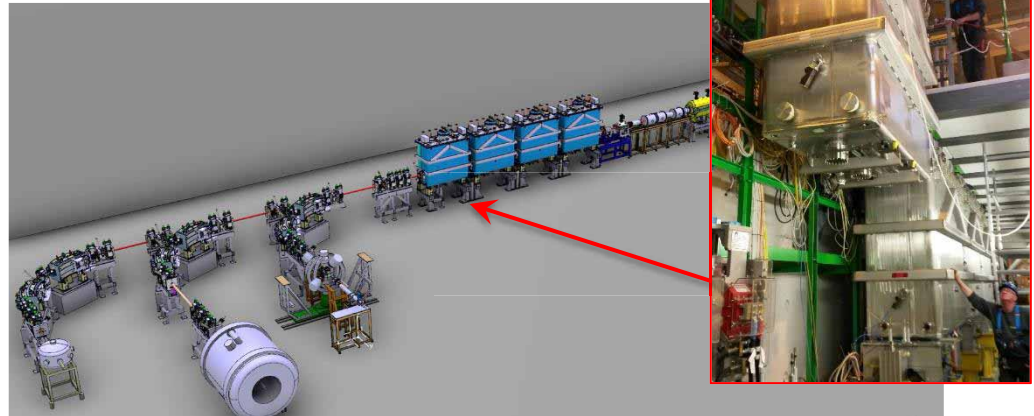
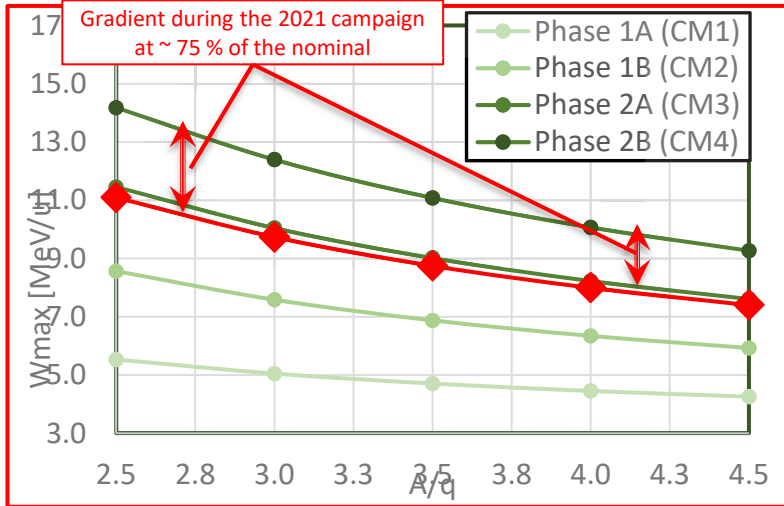
- Coupler of cavity SRF19 successfully repaired during LS2. Very big effort since the cryomodule had to be transported to SM18 and the cavity repair in the clean room. Big thanks to all groups involved!
- Available electric field during operations: ~ 75% of nominal
- Difficult problem to solve (i.e. effort to repair/replacement of SRF cavities, degradation of performance over time, warm-up / cool-down cycles every year, clustering of instabilities...) Not easy path to reach the nominal gradient

Consequence:

- Physics results limited for several experiments due to the lower beam energy

Possible actions:

- Conditioning of the cavities, improve stability of the cryoplant, adding a fifth cryomodule...?



Jointly expanding (narrow-band) laser capabilities

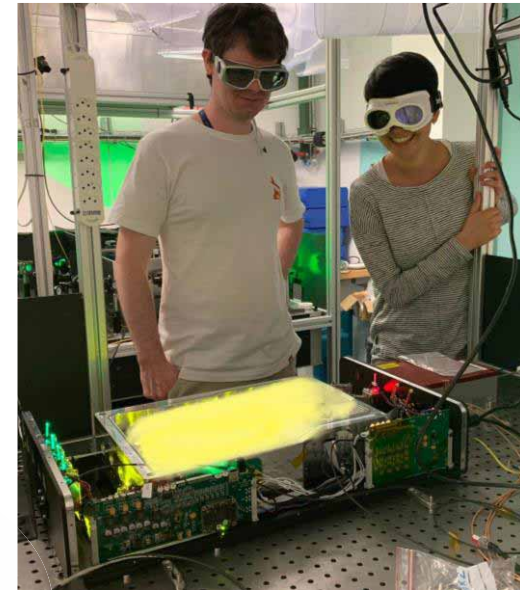
RILIS + CRIS + COLLAPS + LISA network:

Joint development of **high-resolution versatile laser systems**

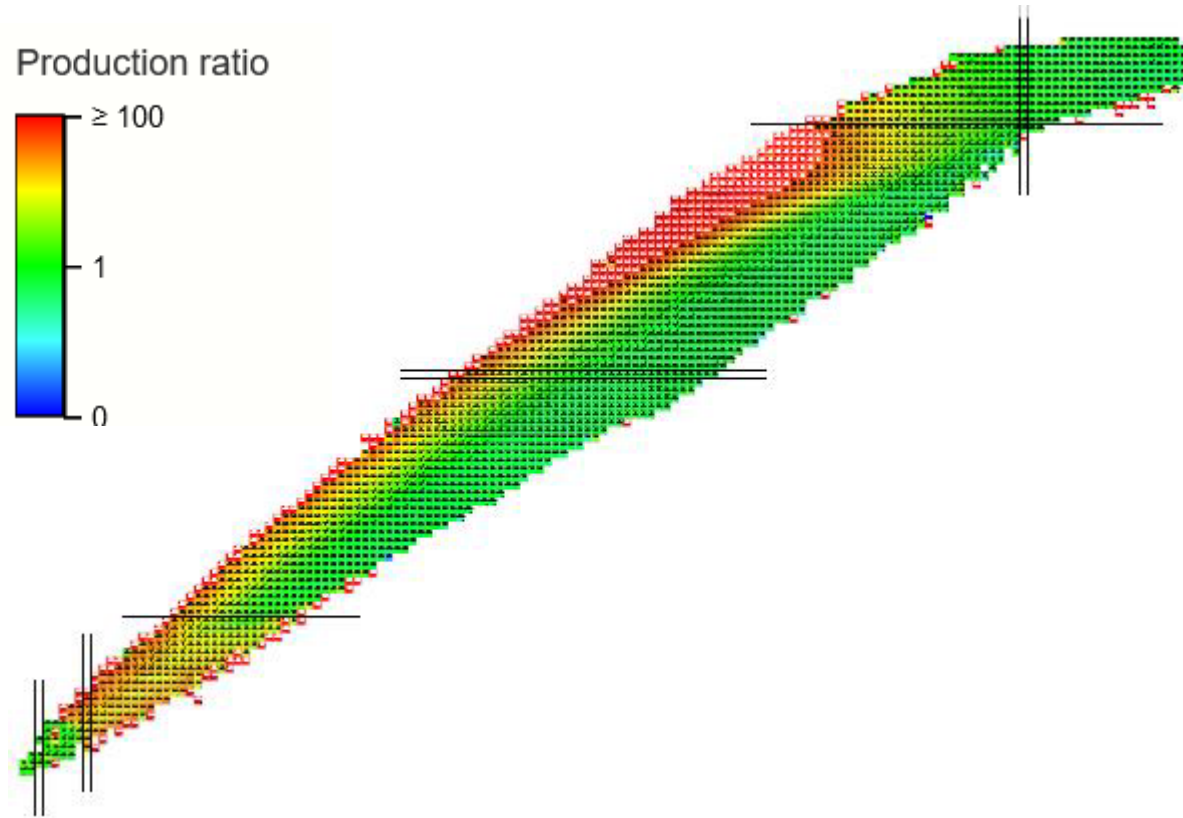
CRIS experiment requiring 328nm narrow-bandwidth (NB) laser light

Several options investigated and used in actual experiment:

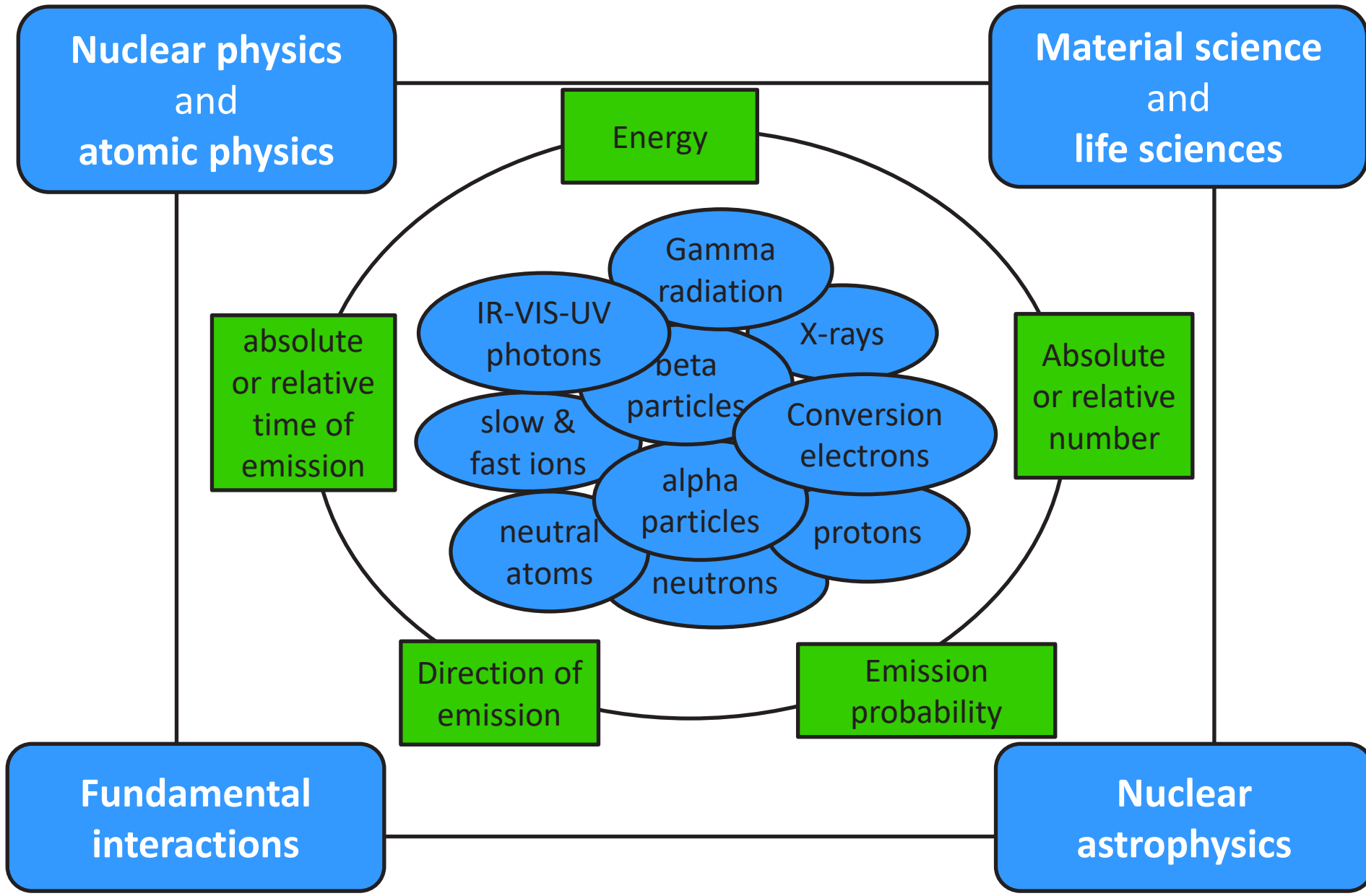
- Pulsed dye amplifier pumped by new RILIS NB pump laser, using COLLAPS NB seed laser or LISA NB OPO laser
- Frequency mixing of CRIS NB laser and RILIS NB pump laser
- ➔ Combinations of commercial and custom-built systems
- ➔ Profit for laser spectroscopy groups at ISOLDE and elsewhere



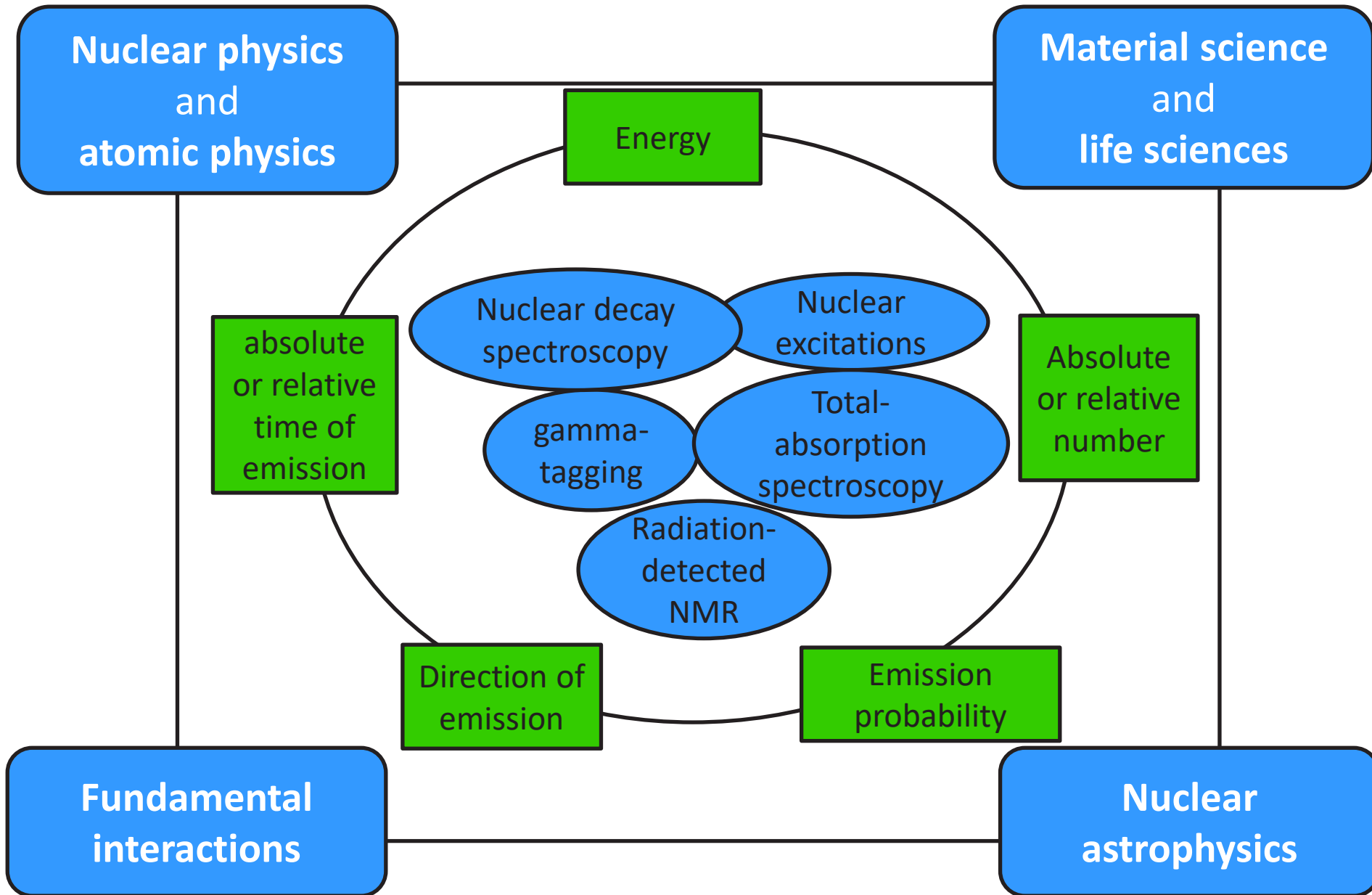
1.4/0.6 GeV p's on UC



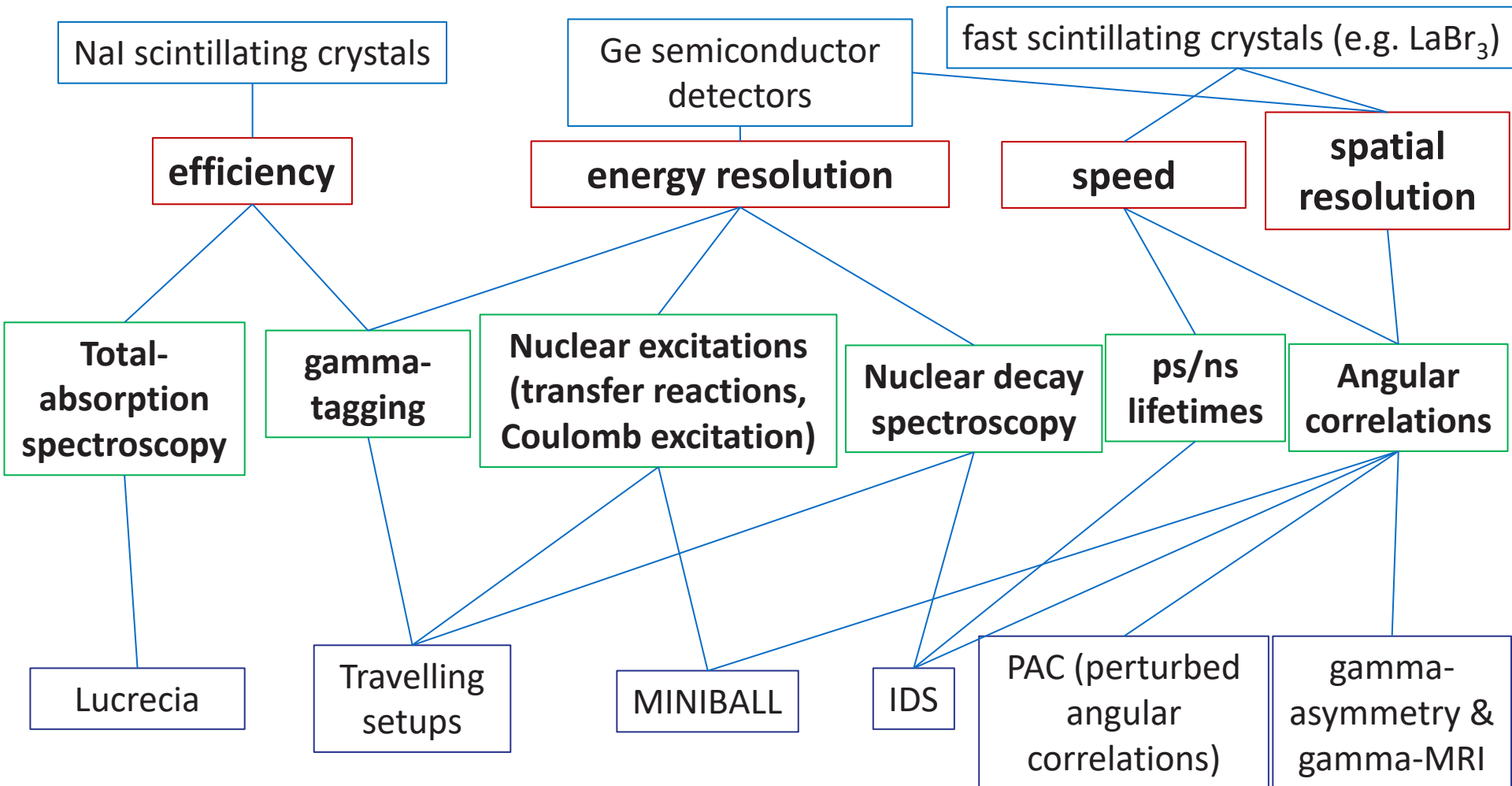
ISOLDE detectors and research topics



Gamma-ray detectors at ISOLDE



ISOLDE gamma-ray detectors



ISOLDE particle detectors

To detect particles emitted in decays or reactions of unstable nuclei:

- Alphas
- Betas
- Protons
- Neutrons
- Other emitted (light particles), e.g. deuterons

What is required:

- Energy
- Time of emission
- Emission direction

Used and tested types of detectors:

- Si strip detector
- Time projection chamber
- TIMEPIX

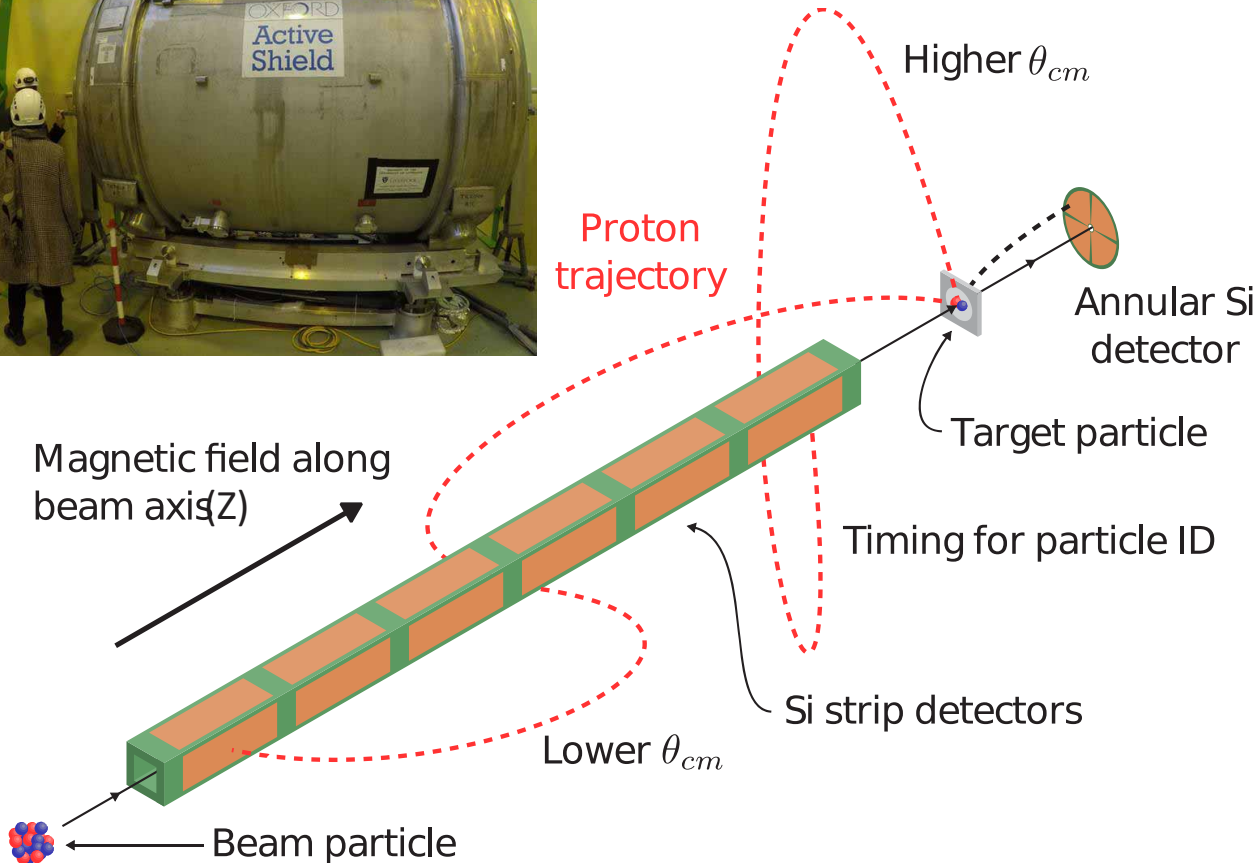
ISS: charged particle detection



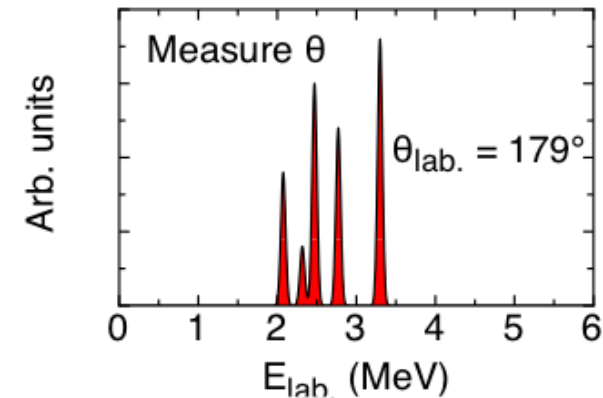
ISOLDE Solenoidal
Spectrometer



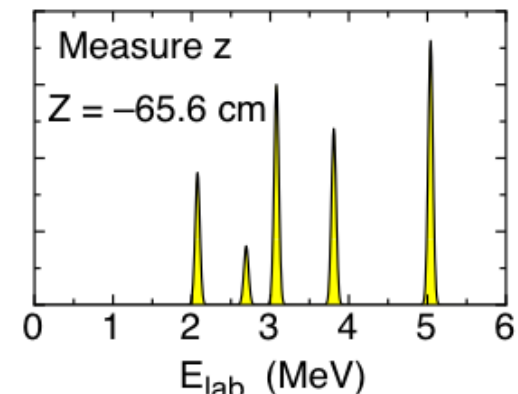
direct reactions at HIE-ISOLDE



Fixed angle



Solenoid



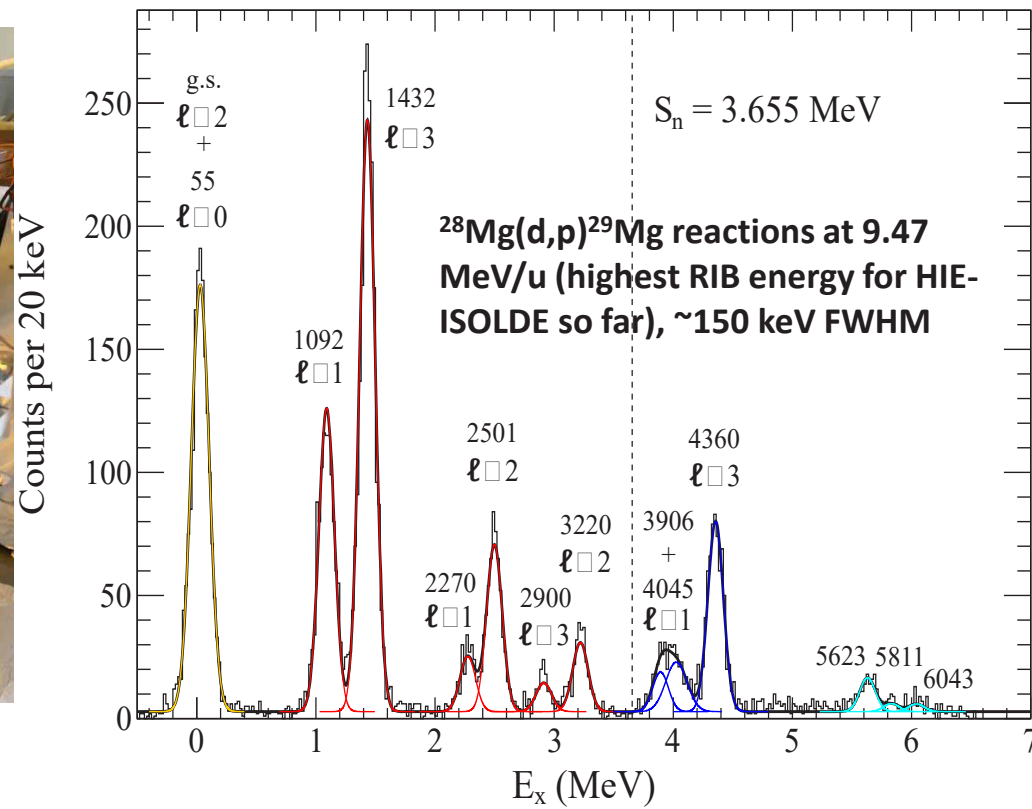
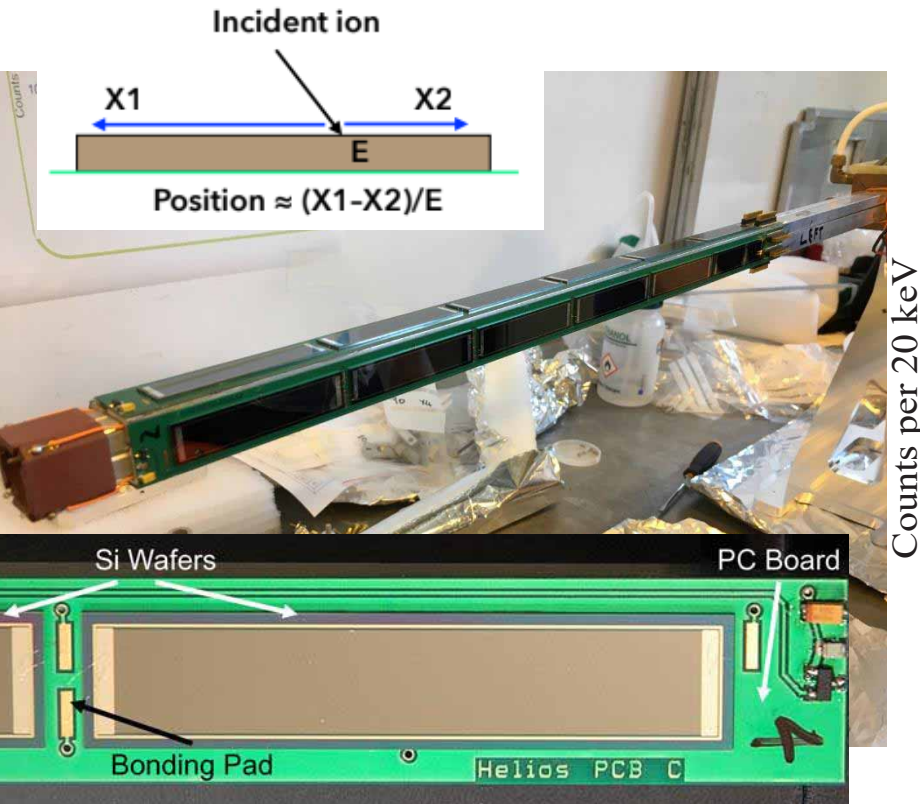
MEASURED: position z where light ejectile returns to axis,
cyclotron period T_{cyc} , lab particle energy E_p

no kinematic compression of energy spectrum (unlike at fixed angles)

Linear relationship between E_{cm} and $E_{lab.}$

1st ISS detectors in 2018

- Used HELIOS solenoid (Argonne) 24 resistive strip detectors (PSD) + electronics and DAQ
- Position determined through comparison of signals from each side of detectors



T.L. Tang et al., Phys. Rev. Lett.
124, 062502 (2020)

Contact: D. Sharp, U Manchester; L. Gaffney, U Liverpool, et al.

ISS detectors in 2021

6-sided Si array: 4 double-sided silicon-strip (DSSS) detectors + ASICs readout on each side

Each detector:

- 128 x 0.95mm strips along detector length
- 11 x 2mm along width
- 3336 channels

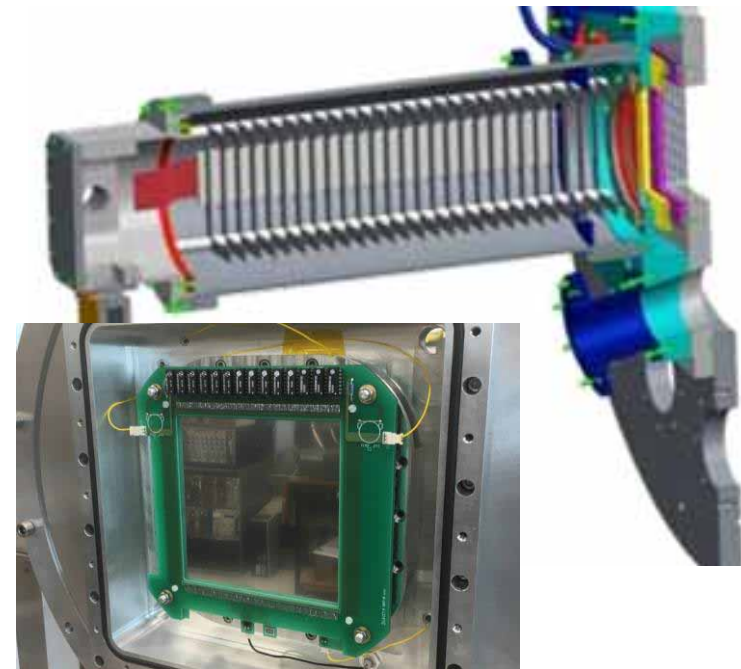
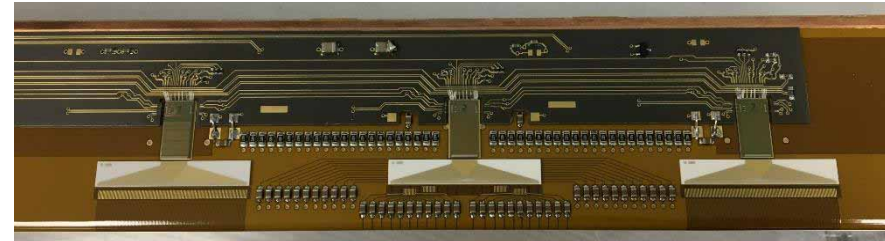
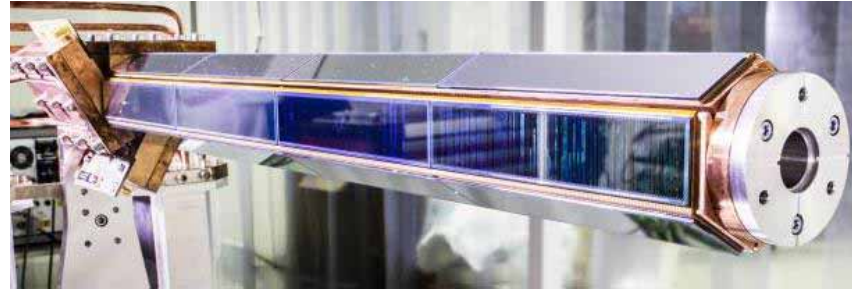
Total Si length: 510.4mm (486.4mm active)

- ~70% coverage in azimuthal angle
- Total coverage ~66% (2018: HELIOS PSD ~42%)

New gas-filled recoil detector for recoil identification:

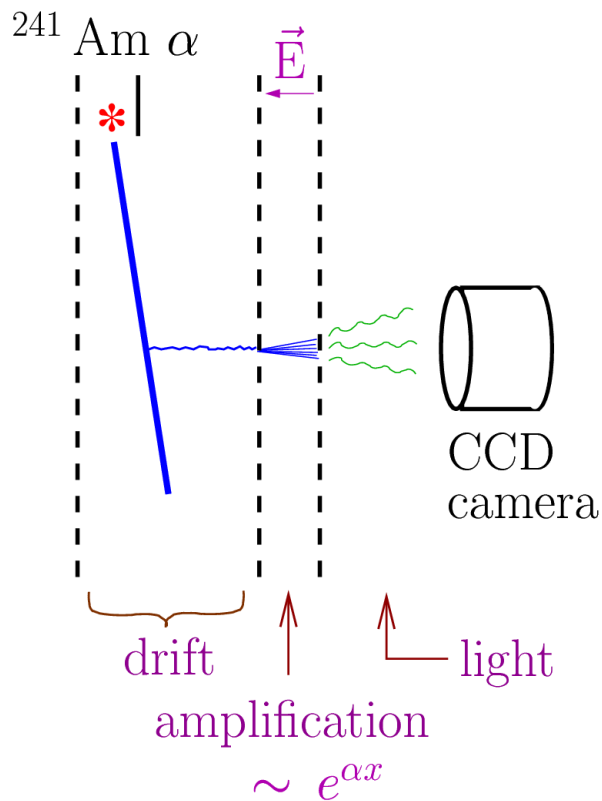
- Position-sensitive multi-wire proportional counter
- Followed by segmented gas-filled ion chamber
- Digitized signals – sample full dE/dx .
- Count rate up to 100kHz

Contact: D. Sharp, U Manchester; L. Gaffney, U Liverpool

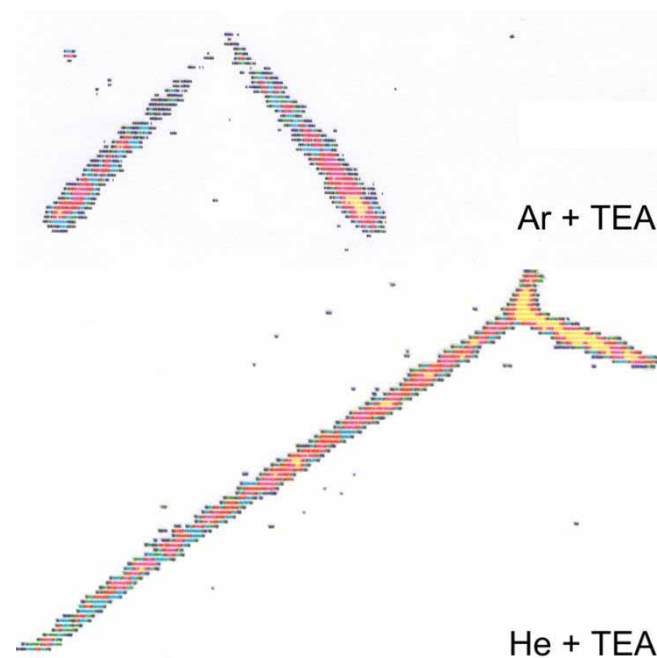


Optical TPC: charged-particle imaging

G. Charpak, **W. Dominik**, J. P. Farbe, J. Gaudaen, F. Sauli, and M. Suzuki,
"Studies of light emission by continuously sensitive avalanche chambers,"
NIM A269 (1988) 142



Example images of α -particle tracks



TEA = Tri-ethyl-amine $\text{N}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_3$

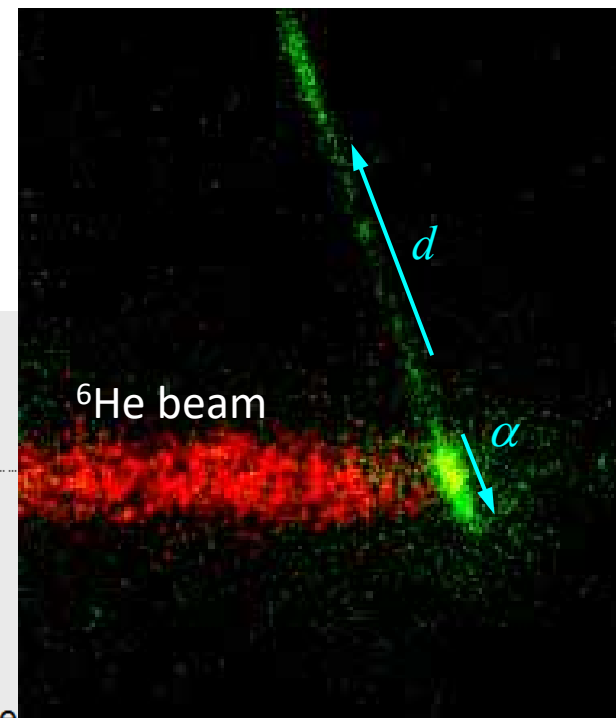
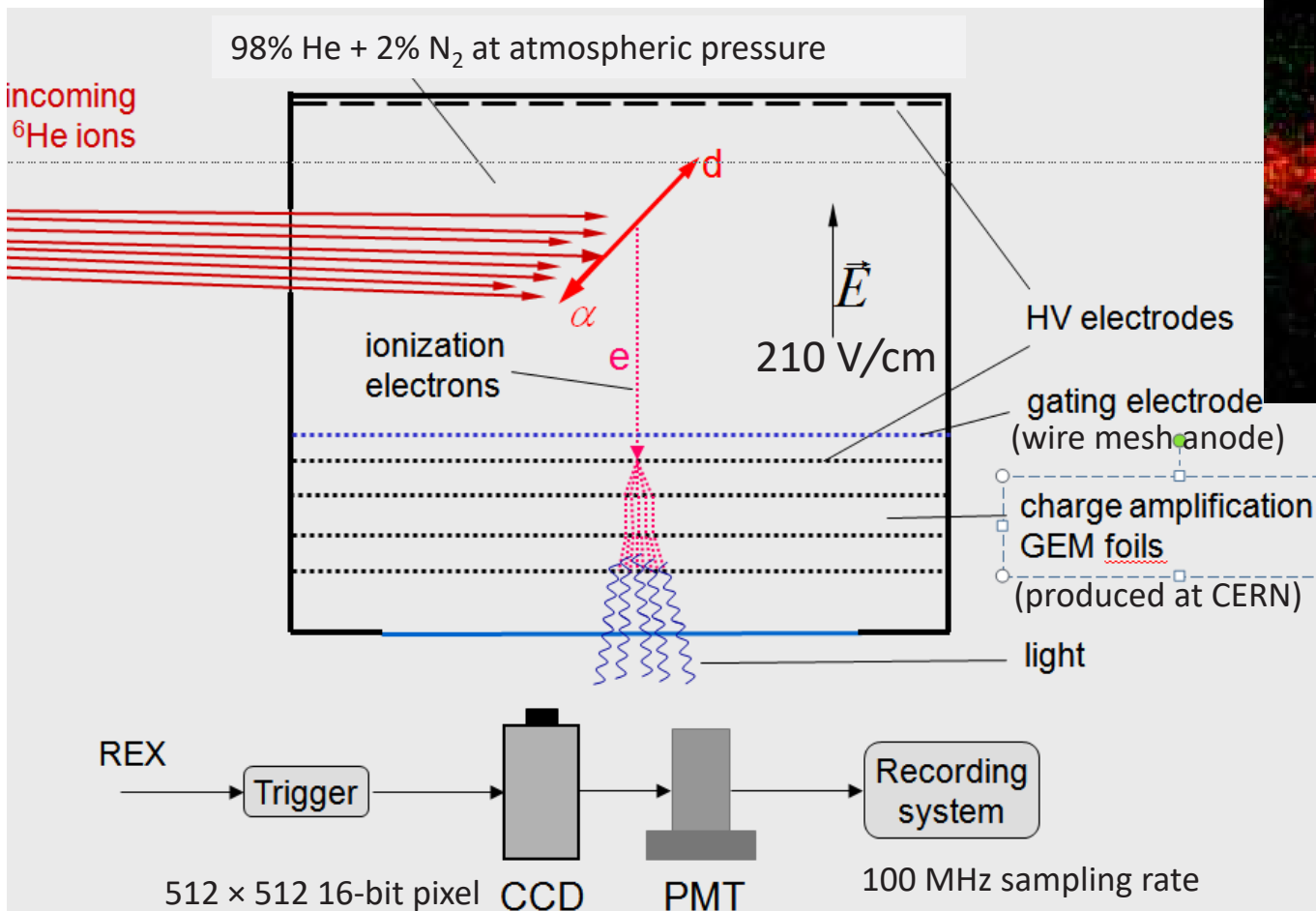
Warsaw OTPC at ISOLDE

Studying rare decays with particle emission

Rare decay (branching $\approx 10^{-6}$): ${}^6\text{He} \rightarrow \alpha + \text{deuteron}$

-3 MeV/u bunches of about 10^4 ${}^6\text{He}$ ions

- Implantation into OTPC, 650 ms exposure $\Rightarrow$ decays visible

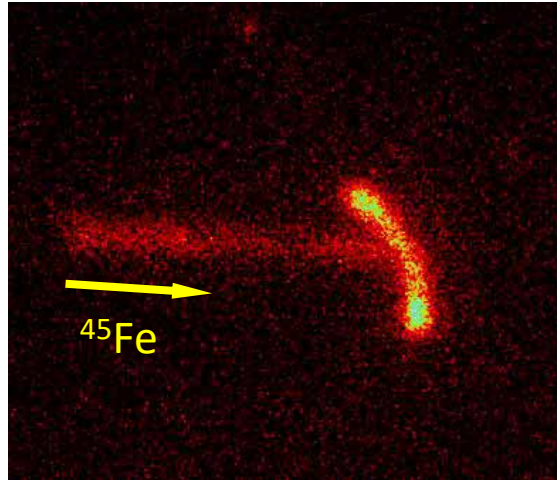
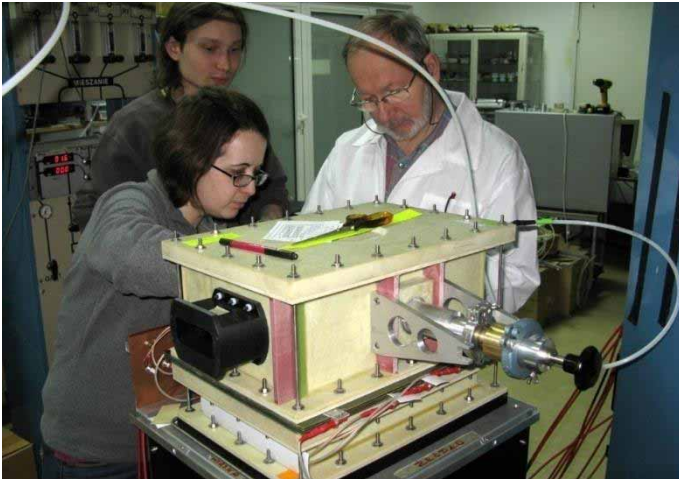


M. Pfitzner et al., Phys. Rev. C 92, 014316 (2015)

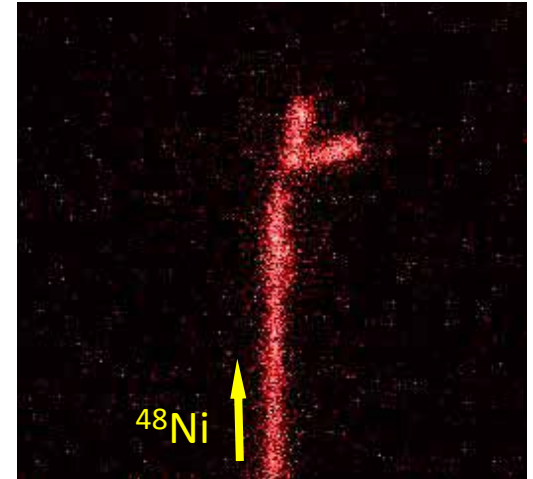
Warsaw OTPC at other facilities

Evidence of 2-proton radioactivity

NSCL, USA: ^{58}Ni @ 161 MeV/u + Ni $\rightarrow$ ^{45}Fe , ^{48}Ni

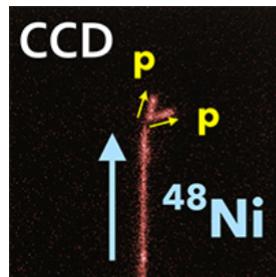


Miernik et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 99
(2007) 192501



Pomorski et al., Phys. Rev. C 83
(2011) 061303(R)

Physical Review C 50th Anniversary Milestones



First observation of two-proton radioactivity in ^{48}Ni

A rare form of radioactivity, in which a proton-laden nucleus decays toward stability via the simultaneous emission of two protons, was observed for ^{48}Ni . Using an optical time-projection chamber, the two-proton emission of four ^{48}Ni nuclei produced at the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory was captured for the first time on CCD camera, marking a new era of optical detection of sub-atomic charged-particle processes in nuclear physics.

First observation of two-proton radioactivity in ^{48}Ni

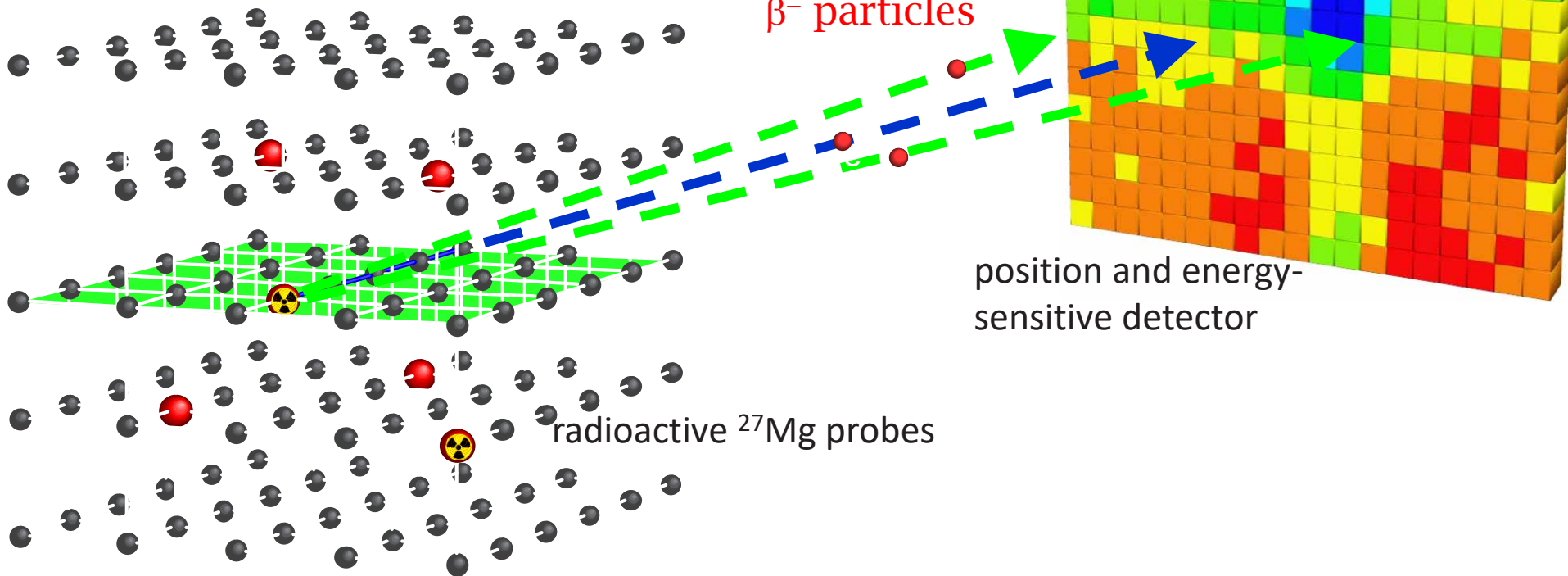
M. Pomorski, M. Pfützner, W. Dominik, R. Grzywacz, T. Baumann, J. S. Berryman, H. Czyrkowski, R. Dąbrowski, T. Ginter, J. Johnson, G. Kamiński, A. Kuźniak, N. Larson, S. N. Liddick, M. Madurga, C. Mazzocchi, S. Mianowski, K. Miernik, D. Miller, S. Paulauskas, J. Pereira, K. P. Rykaczewski, A. Stolz, and S. Suchyta

EC-SLI: (beta) emission channeling

Material science:

Lattice location of radioactive probes implanted in semiconductor single crystals, e.g. ^{27}Mg ($t_{1/2}=9.5$ min) in GaN

GaN single-crystalline layer

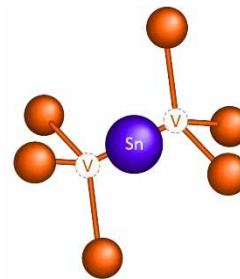
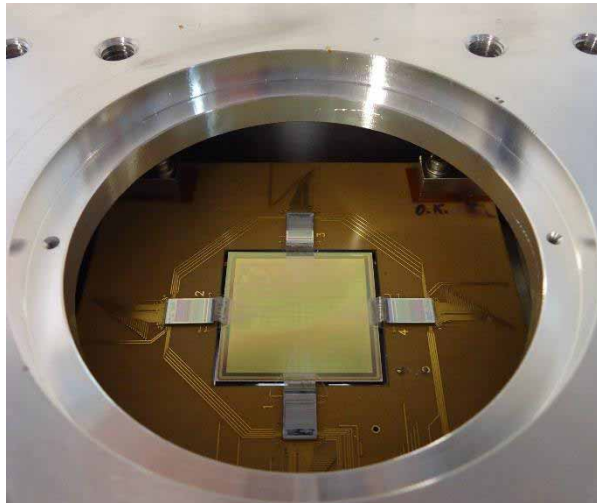


position and energy-sensitive detector

Depending on lattice site of probe atoms =>
emitted β^- particles are channeled or blocked on their way out of crystal

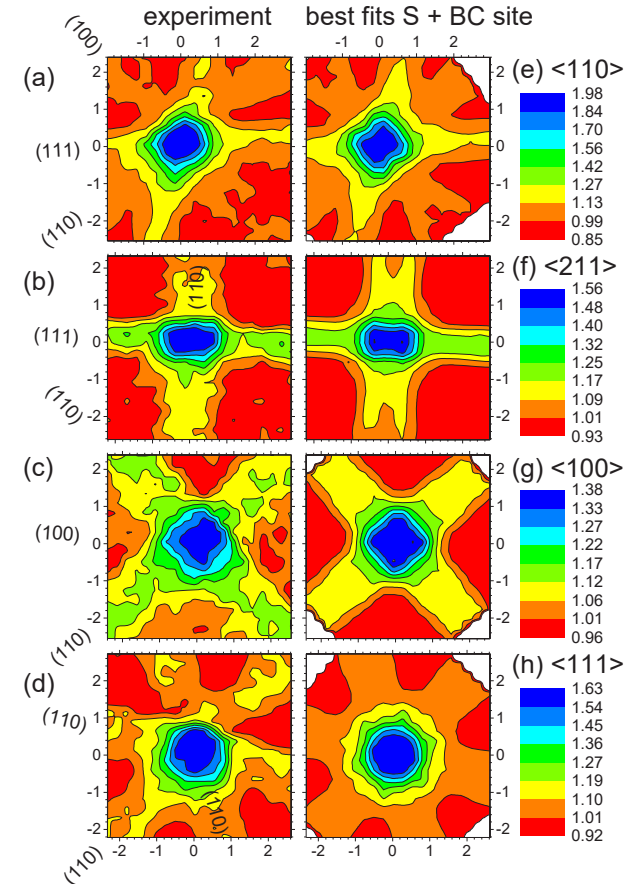
EC-SLI with Si pad detectors

- 3x3 cm², 22x22 pixel (1.3x1.3 mm²) detectors developed at CERN (Peter Weilhammer *et al*) in 1990s as X-ray detectors for PET demonstrators
- Self-triggered readout (VATA-GP3 chips): count rate 3.5 kHz with negligible dead time, saturation at 5 kHz, for on-line measurements
- EC-SLI “Workhorse” detectors since 20 years: a successful spin-off case of CERN detector development



¹²¹Sn (27 h)
in diamond

experiment simulation

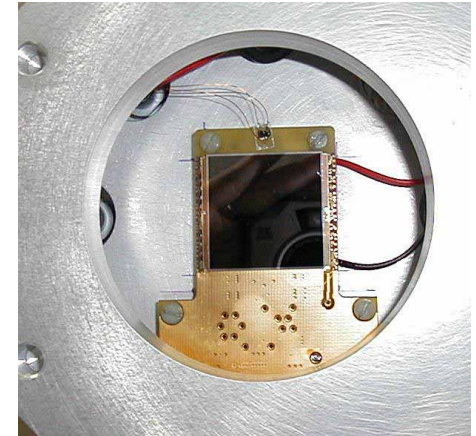
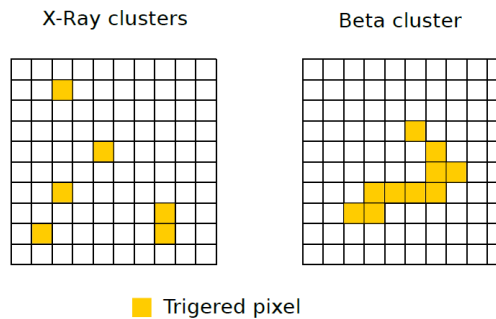


EC-SLI with Si Timepix quad detectors

- 3x3 cm², 512x512 pixel (55'55 mm²) detectors developed by Medipix@CERN collaboration (Michael Campbell et al)

- Needs clustering algorithm

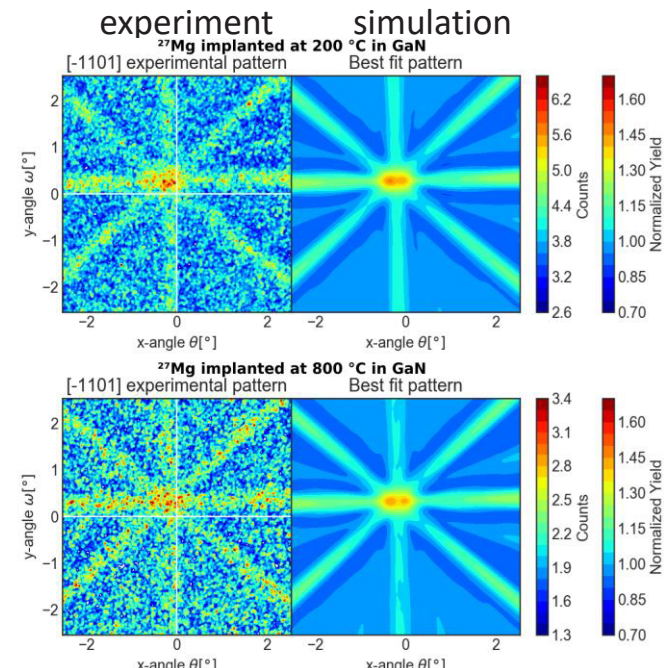
to identify β - tracks



- Tests successful, but frame-based readout of Timepix 2 (e.g. 4 kHz count rate requires 10 frames/s => 50% dead time) proved too slow for EC-SLI routine applications

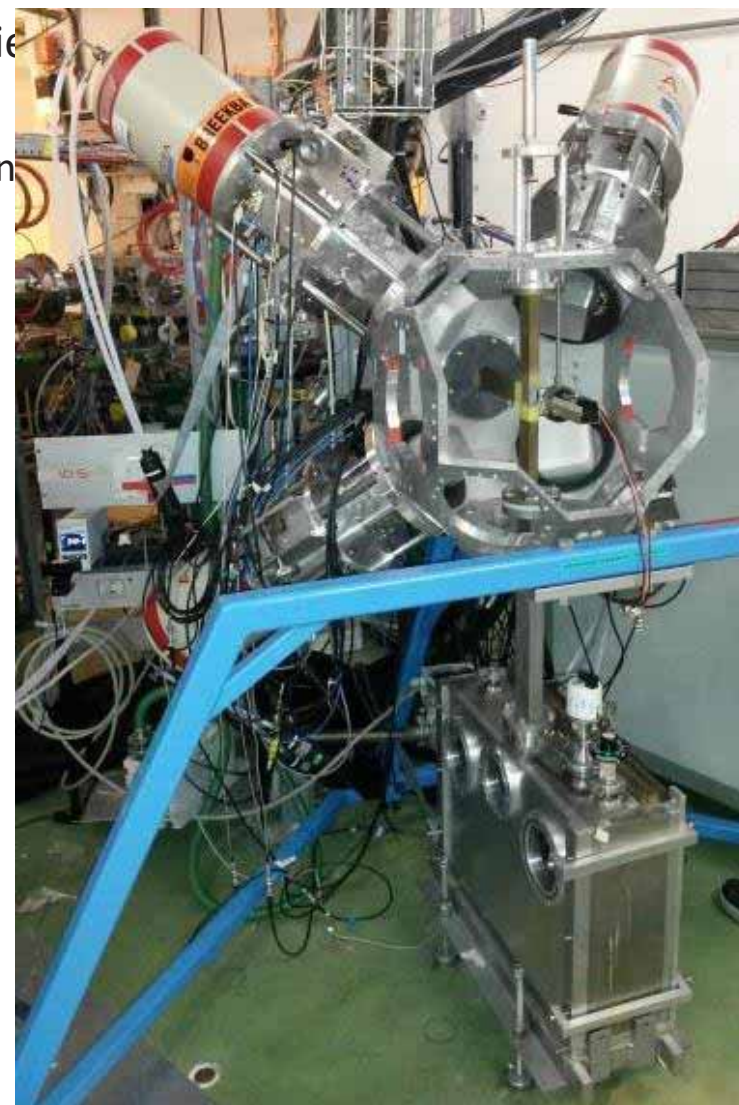
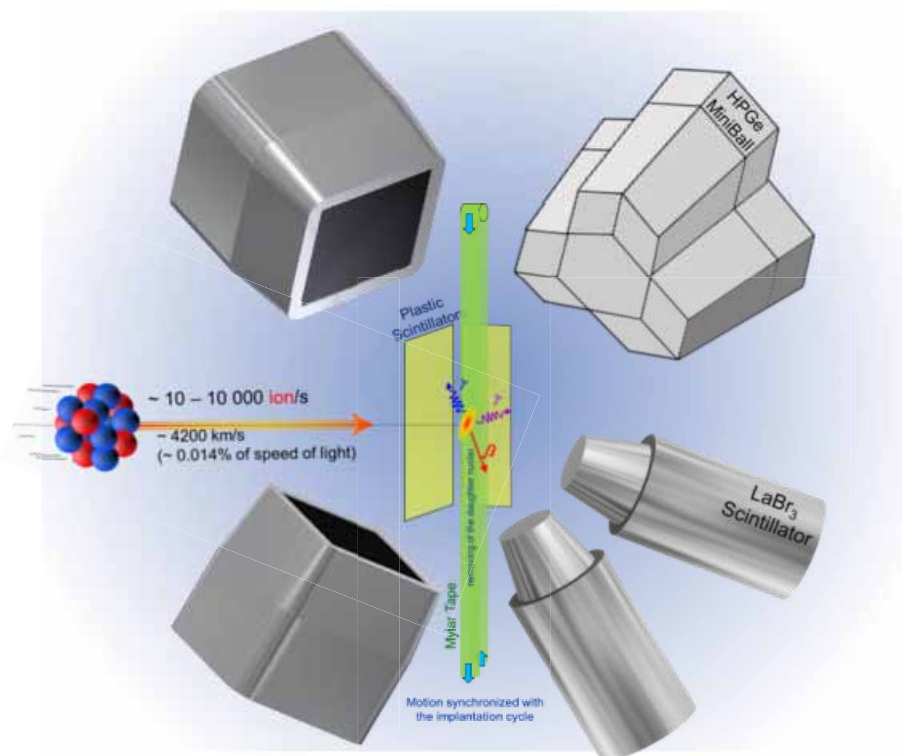
- Timepix 3 detectors (with faster, data-driven readout in the Mcounts/s range) envisaged to replace the aging pad detectors in the near future

²⁷Mg (9.5 min) *p*-type dopant in GaN
(material used in white LEDs)



● Flexible approach (for several decay types and studies)

- HPGe detectors (4 permanent Clovers + extra)
- Ancillary detectors (LaBr₃, plastic scintillator, silicon, n)
- Tape station
- In-Source Laser Spectroscopy Studies

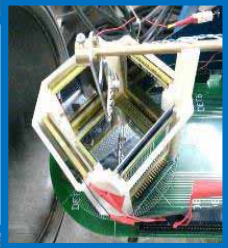


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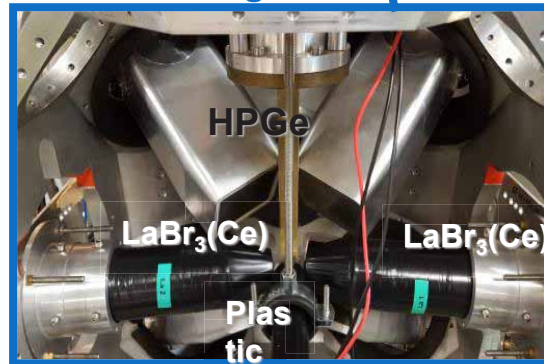
Neutron Spectroscopy



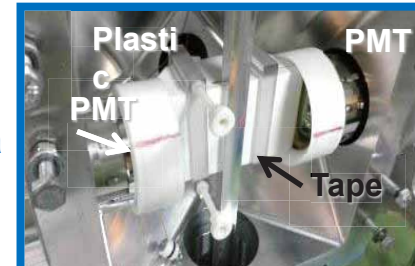
Particle Spectroscopy



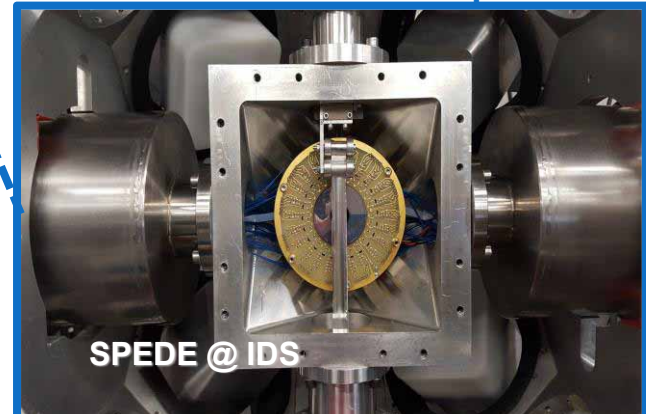
Fast-timing studies



High beta-gamma efficiency

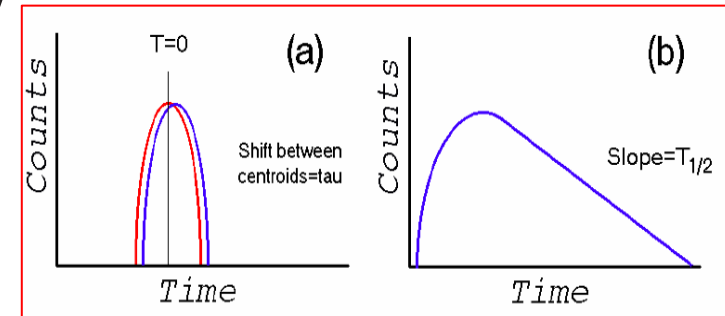
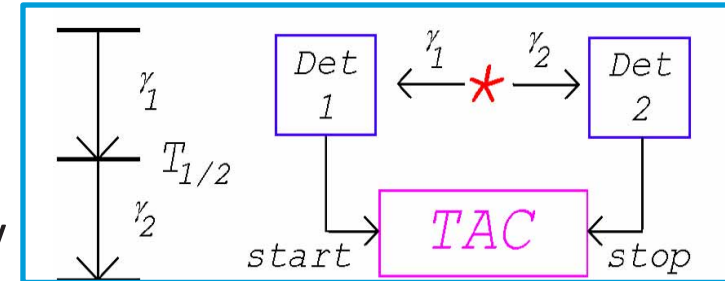
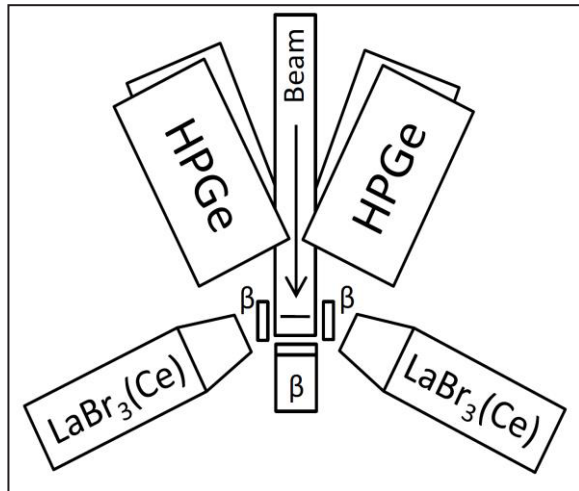


Conversion Electron Spectroscopy



IDS + fast timing

- Well established technique at IDS since 2014
- Detection system:
 - 4 Clover HPGe - 7% abs. eff. at 500keV
 - 2 LaBr₃(Ce) - 3% abs. eff. at 500keV
 - 1 Plastic Scintillator - 20% abs. eff.

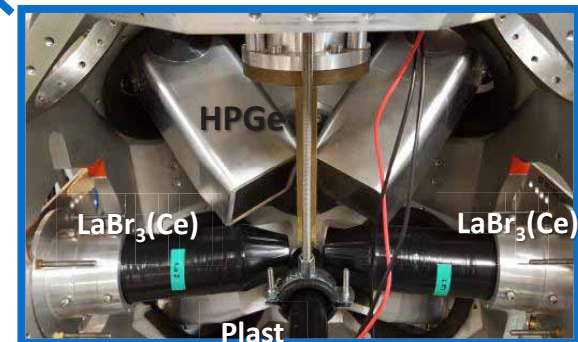


Ranges:

Centroid shift method: - 10 ps - 100 ps

Slope method - 50 ps - 50 ns (or longer)

[H. Mach et al. NIM A 280, 49 (1989)]



R. Lica et al., Phys. Rev. C 93, 044303 (2016).

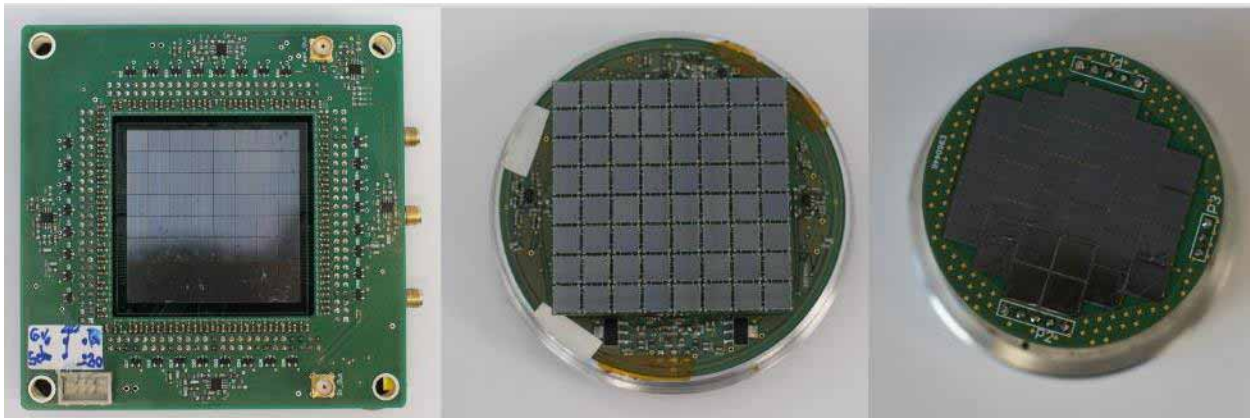
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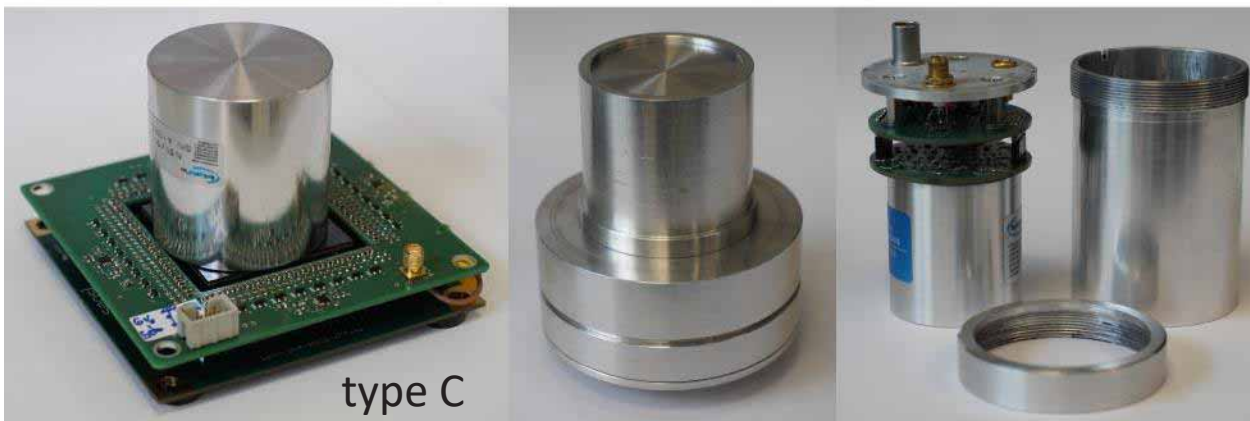
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IDS + fast timing

SiPMs developed in-house at IFIN-HH coupled to $\text{LaBr}_3(\text{Ce})$



3" crystals with SiPM



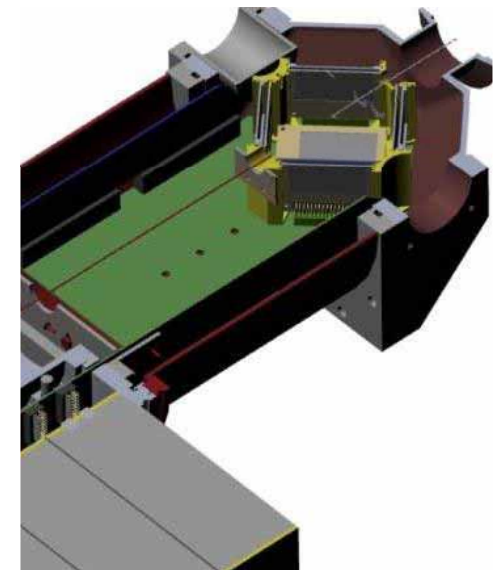
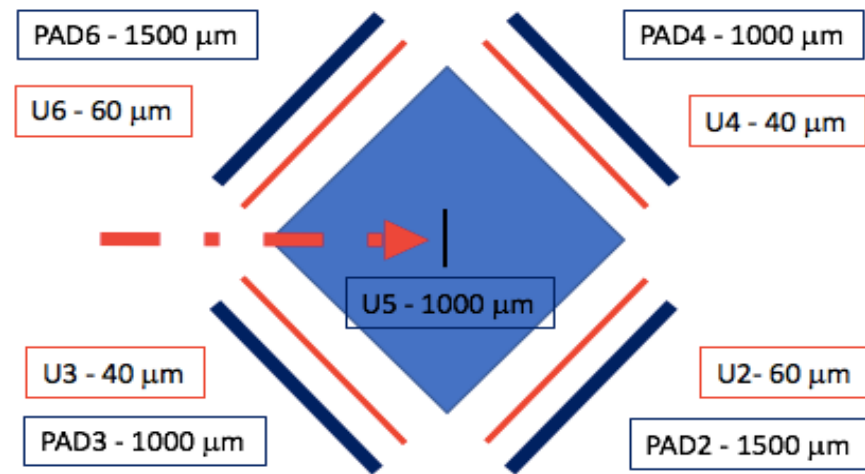
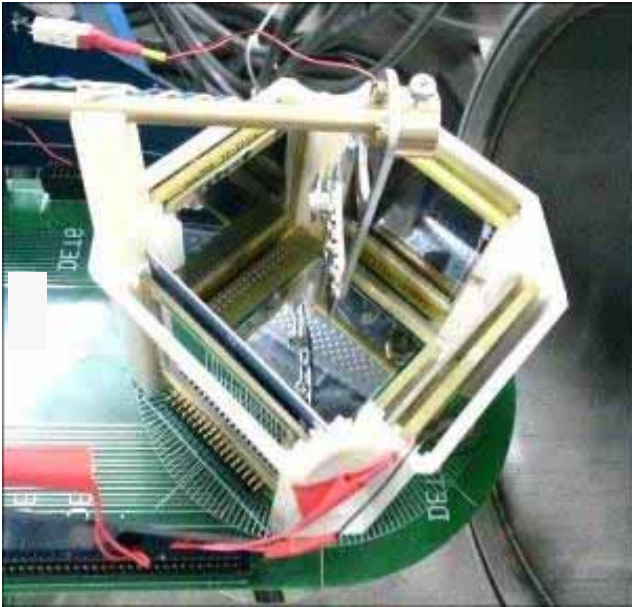
New plastic scintillators



Contact: R. Lica, IFIN-HH, Romania, L. Fraile, Madrid

IDS particle detection

MAGISOL



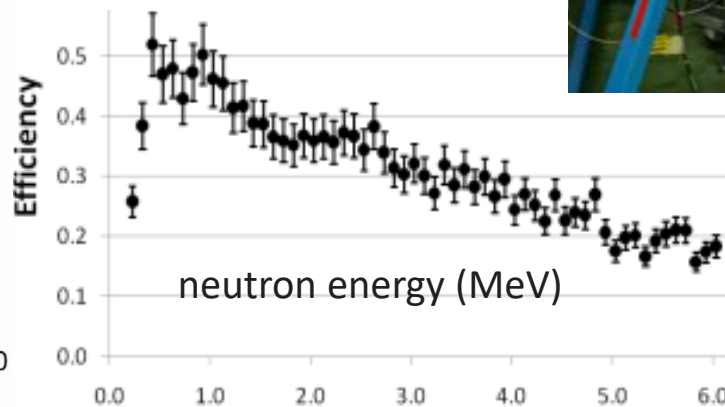
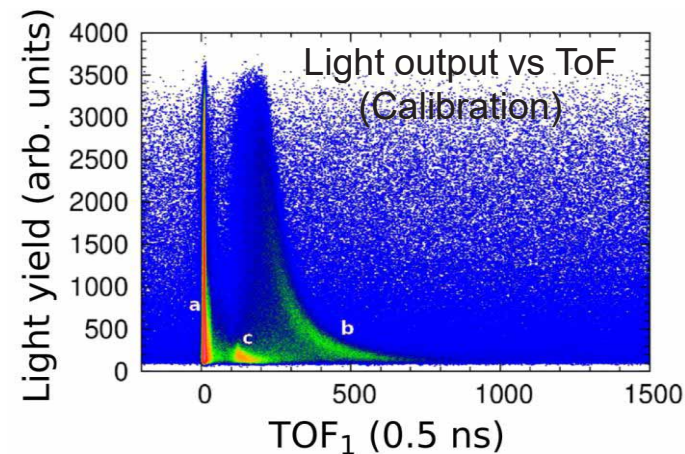
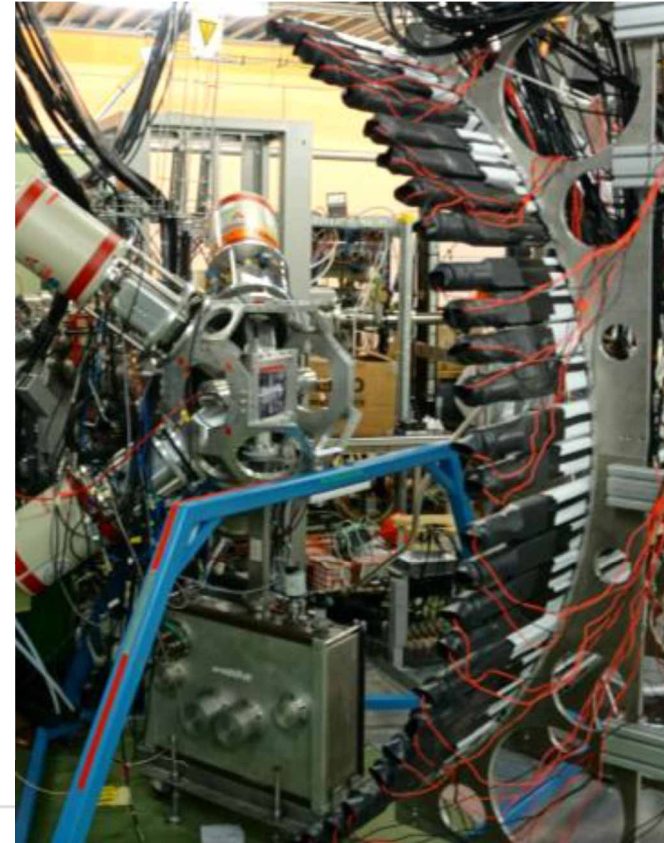
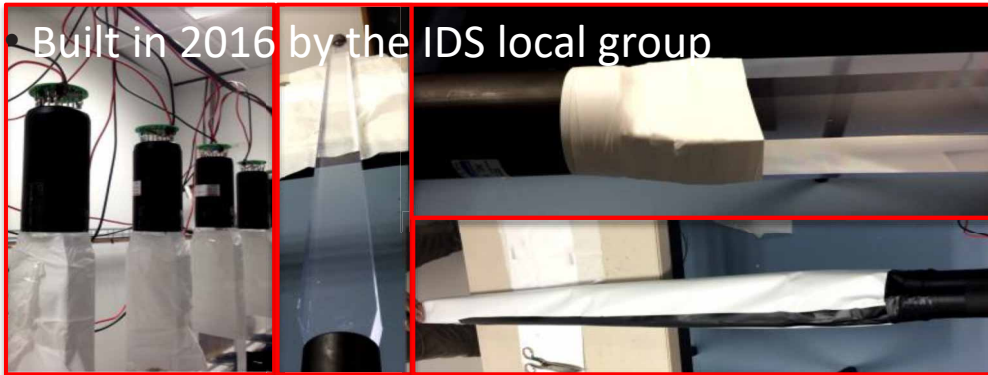
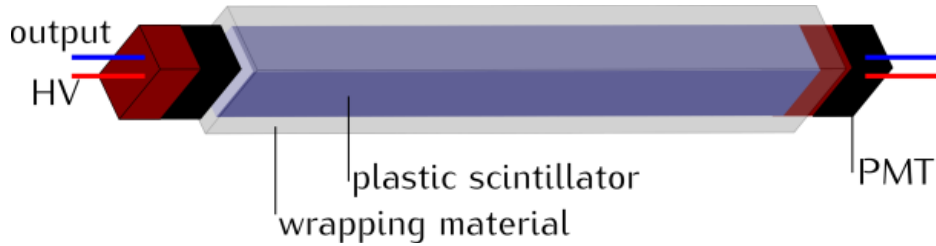
- 4 HPGe Clover-shape detectors at forward angles
+ Si box: 5 Double-Sided Si Strip Detectors (DSSSD), 4 Pads
- **DAQ: ISOLDE MBS** and IDS Nutaq use in parallel (synchronized)
- Beam implanted on ^{12}C foil or tape

MAGISOL detectors, electronics and DAQ:

- 165 ch: **Mesytec** preamplifiers (2xMPR64, 2xMPR32)
- Mesytec STM16+ shapers

Neutron spectroscopy (INDiE)

- TOF detector, inspired by VANDLE detector (UTK, USA)



neutrons @ 1 MeV:

- 45% efficiency/bar
- 80 keV resolution
- $\Omega = 21.7\%$ of 4π
- 90% β -trigger efficiency
→ 9 % total efficiency

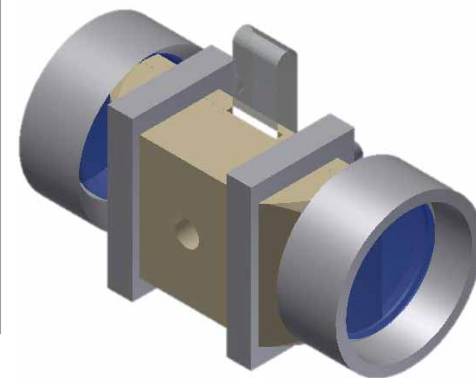
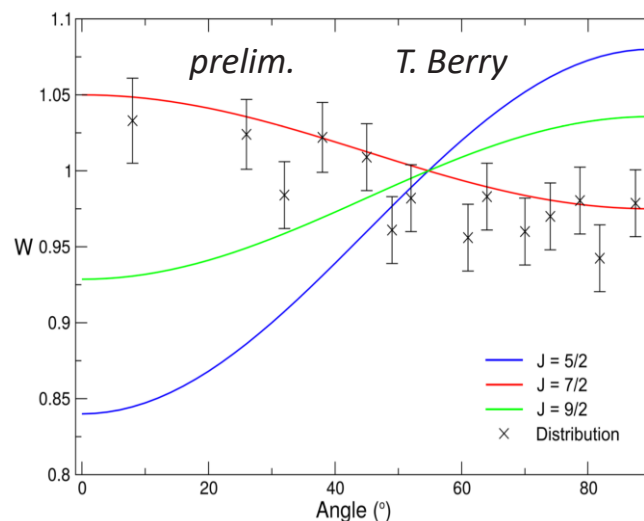
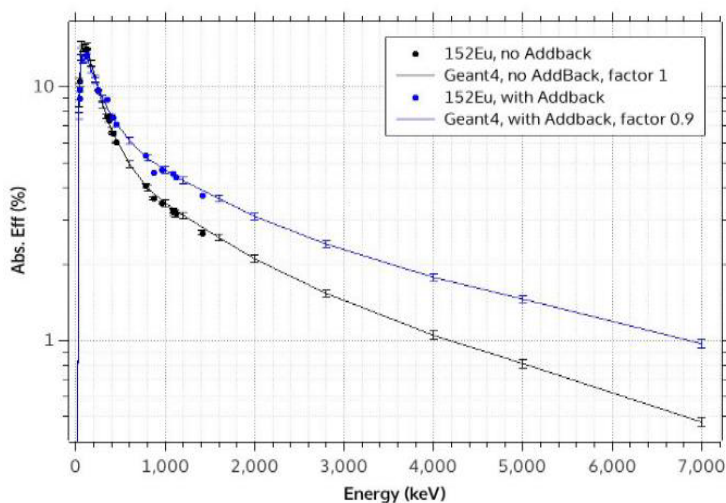
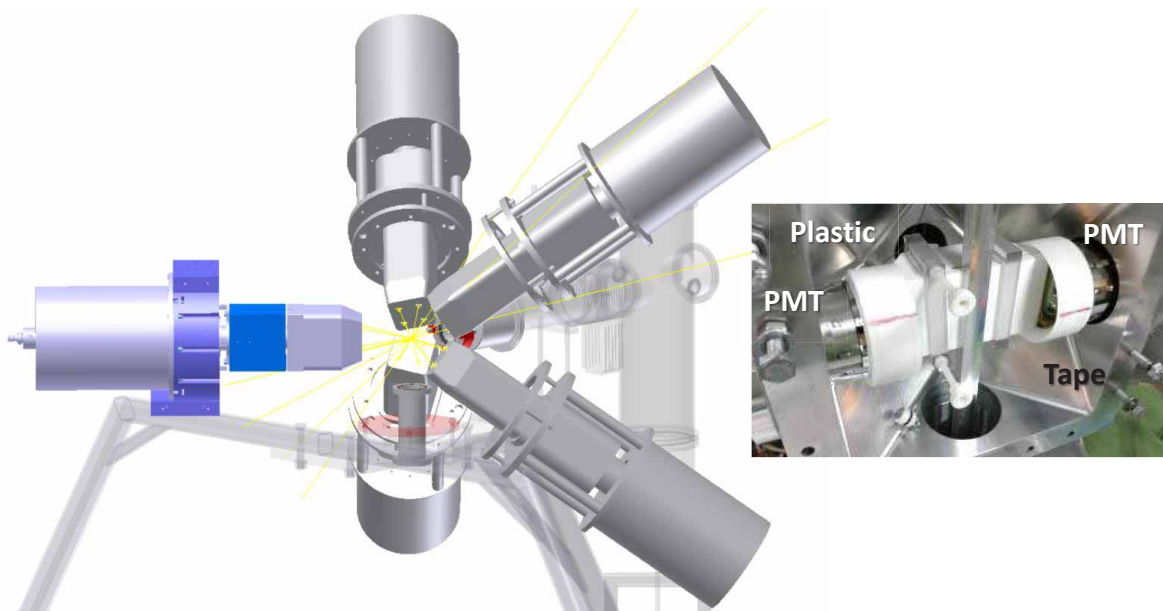
IDS high beta-gamma efficiency

Detection setup

- 5 Clover-shape Ge detectors
- 4π plastic scintillator around implantation point
- 5th Clover detector can be placed at a specific angle to perform **angular correlation studies**.

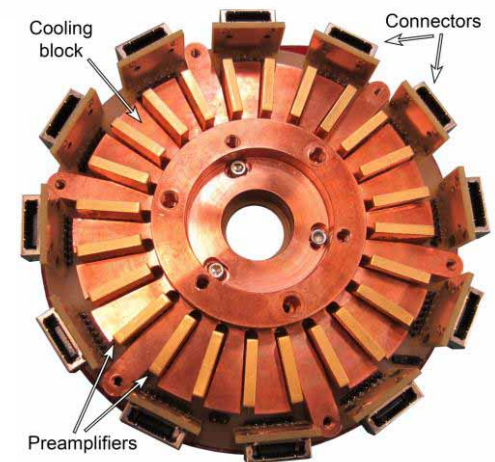
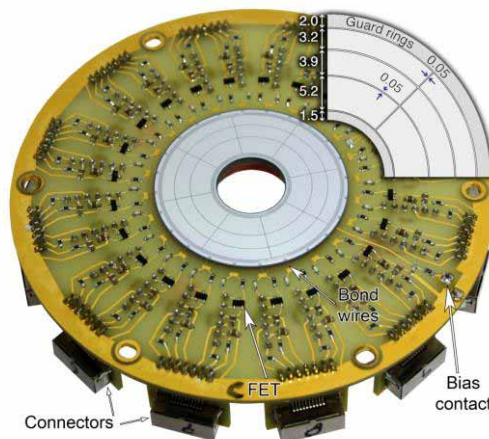
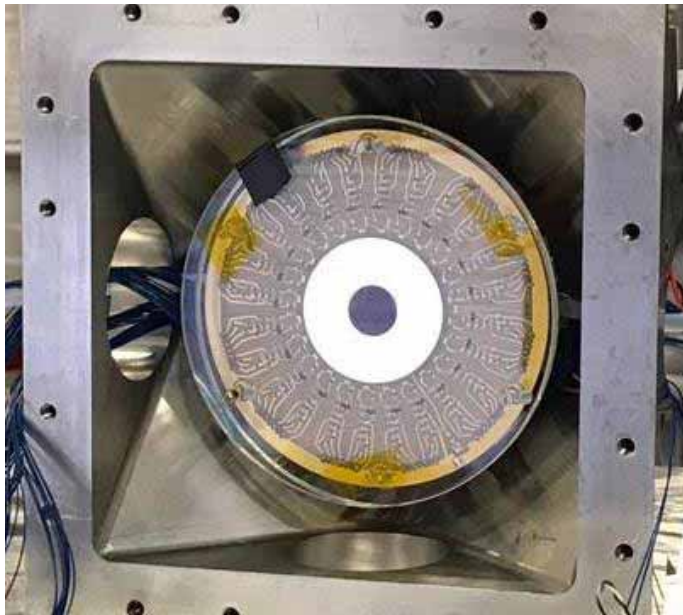
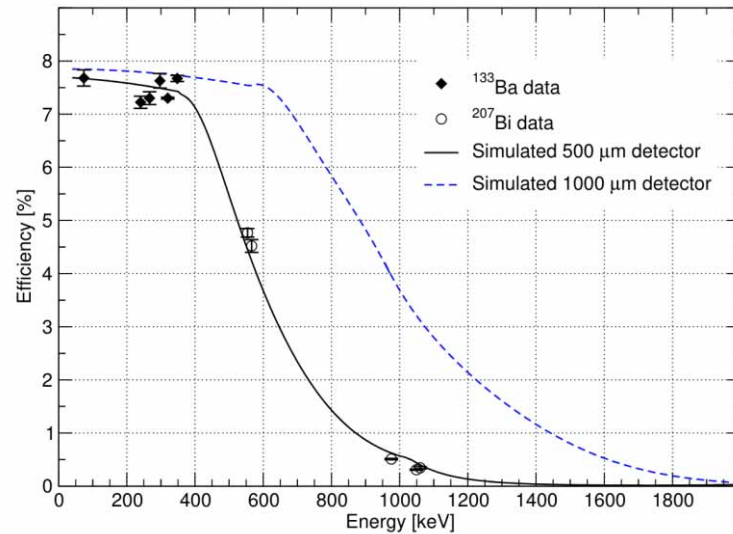
- **Absolute β efficiency - 90(5) %** (single/beta gated ratios)

- **Absolute γ efficiency - 4% @1MeV**
Using GEANT4 to extrapolate



Conversion electron spectroscopy

- Annular Si detector with 24 segments
- Ethanol cooled to -20°C
- FWHM at 320 keV around 6-8 keV energy



IDS DAQ

Digital DAQ able to run all the different configurations

IDS Configuration	Detectors	Total Channels	OLD DAQ
Particle spectroscopy	4 Clovers + 5 DSSSDs (5 x 32 ch) + 4 PAD (4 x 2 ch) + Logic (6 ch)	190	NUTAQ + MBS
Neutron Spectr. (INDiE)	4 Clovers + 26 bars (26 x 2 ch, traces) + Beta (2 ch, traces) + Logic	76	PIXIE
Conversion Electron Spectroscopy	5 Clovers + SPEDE (24 ch) + Beta (1 ch) + Logic	51	NUTAQ
High beta-gamma efficiency	5-6 Clovers + Beta (2 ch) + Logic	32	NUTAQ
Fast-timing	4 Clovers (4 x 4 ch) + 2 LaBr + Beta (1 ch) + 3 TAC + Logic	28	NUTAQ



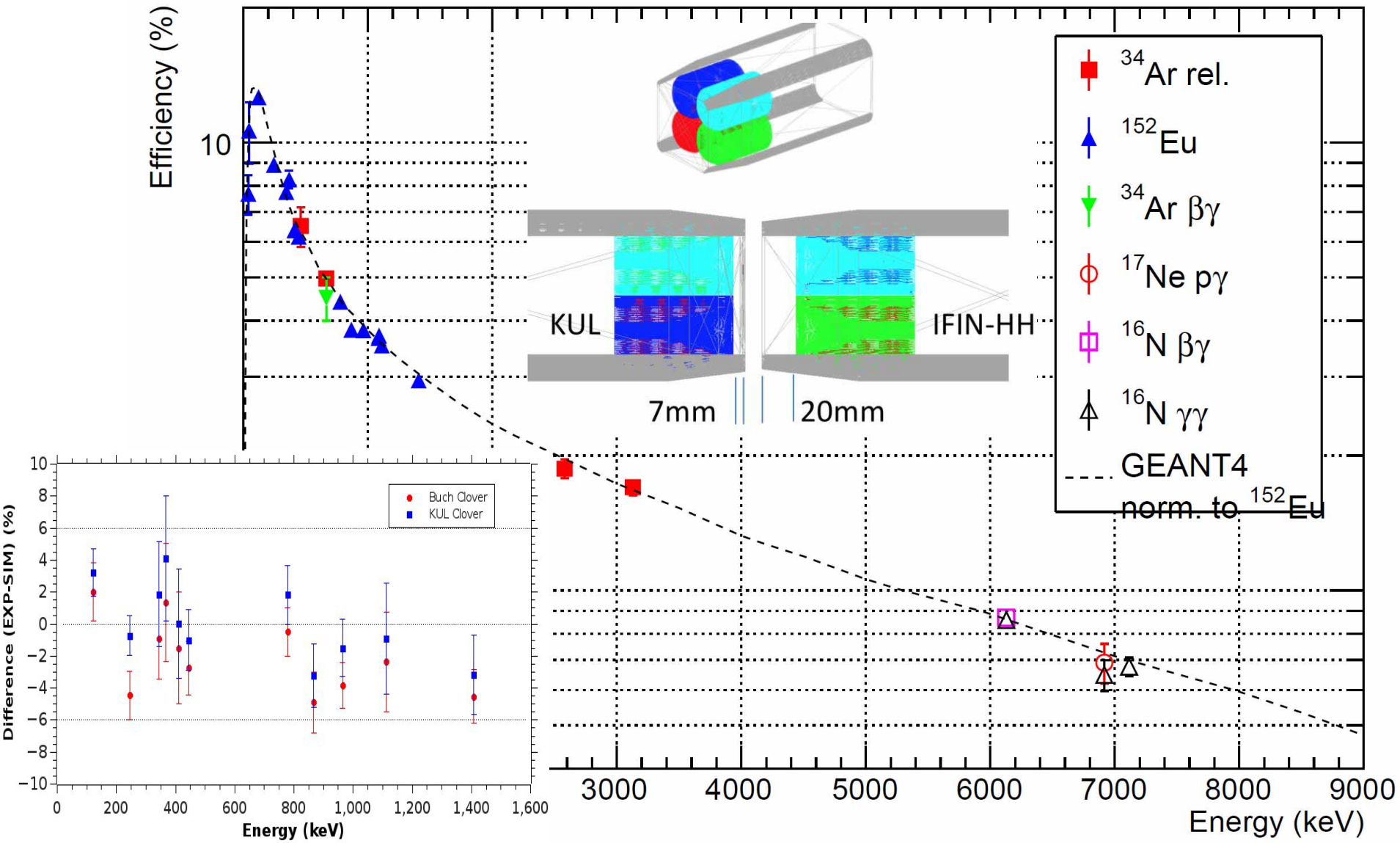
NUTAQ: 100 MHz, 14 bit ADC, **max. 80 ch (5 x 16)**

PIXIE: 250 MHz, 16 bit ADC, **max. 208 ch (13 x 16 / crate)** -> tested and installed in 2020

FEBEX: 100 MHz, 14 bit ADC, 16 ch / module. (v4)

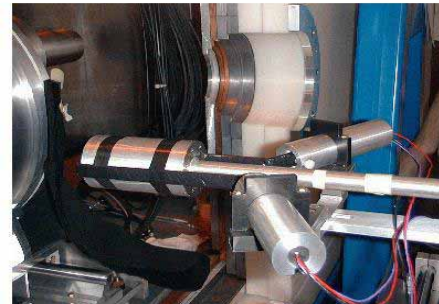
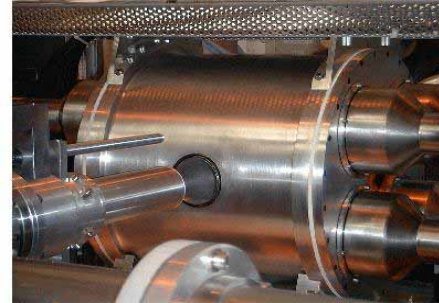
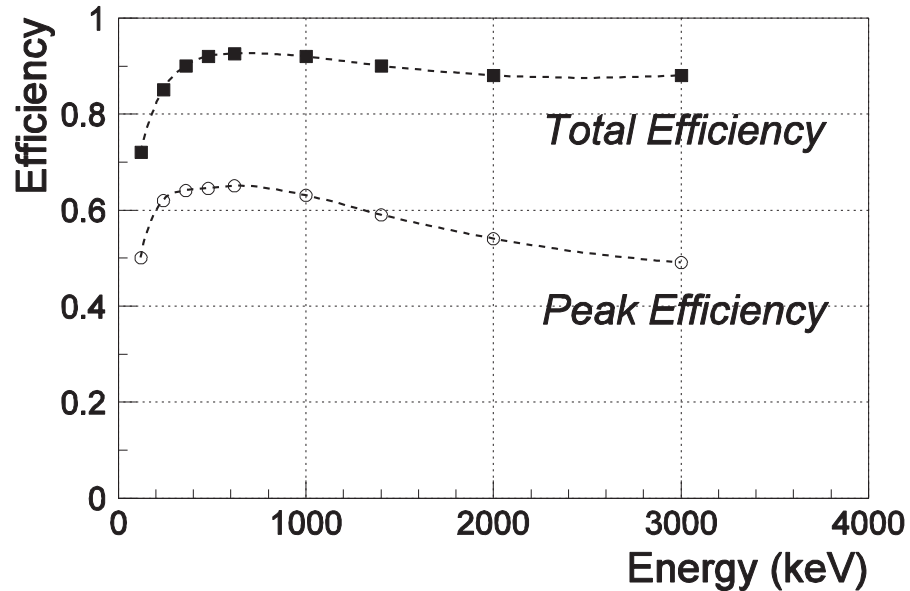
High-purity germanium gamma detectors

● IDS: GEANT4 simulations Absolute γ -ray peak detection efficiency (with addback)



LUCRECIA

- Permanent TAS setup at “Lucrecia”



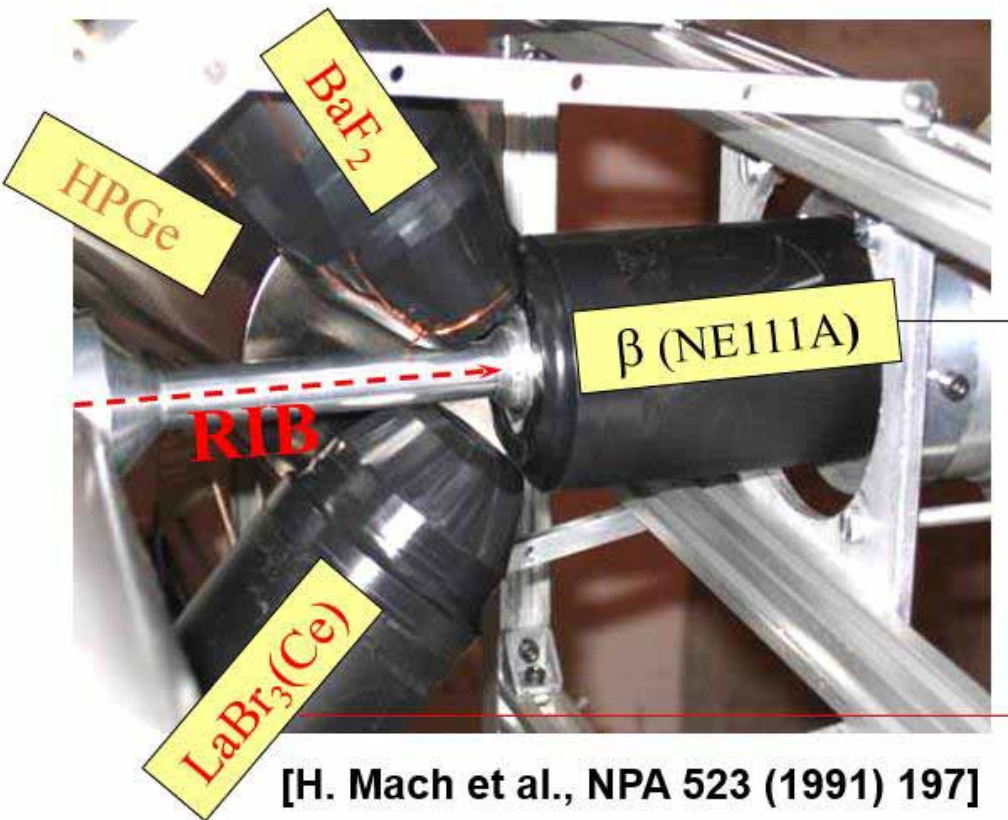
- Main crystal: NaI(Tl) cilinder of big dimensions ($\varnothing 38$ cm x 38 cm);
- Ancillary detectors:
 - plastic scintillator
 - Ge telescope (planar/coaxial)

Summary and outlook

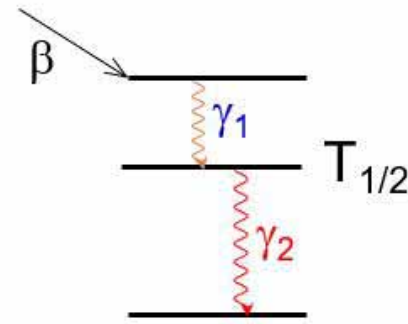
- Number and versatility of ISOLDE detectors matches that of the unstable nuclei it produces
- This talk: examples of detectors for gamma-rays, charged particles, neutrons
- Not covered in this talk: ion and atom detectors
- Aim: give an overview of ISOLDE detectors and trigger discussions, collaborations with the respective groups

Fast timing

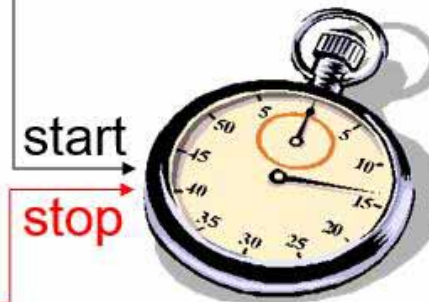
The Advanced Time-Delayed $\beta\gamma\gamma(t)$ method



[H. Mach et al., NPA 523 (1991) 197]



Time
difference



HPGe: BRANCH SELECTION

High energy resolution
Poor time response

Plastic β scintillator: TIMING

Fast response
Efficient start detector

LaBr₃(Ce)/BaF₂: TIMING

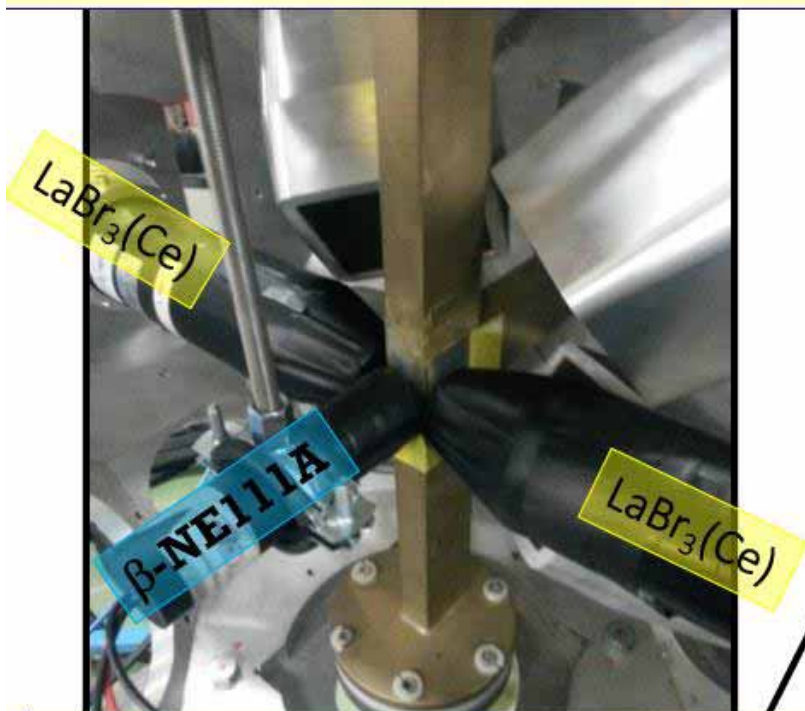
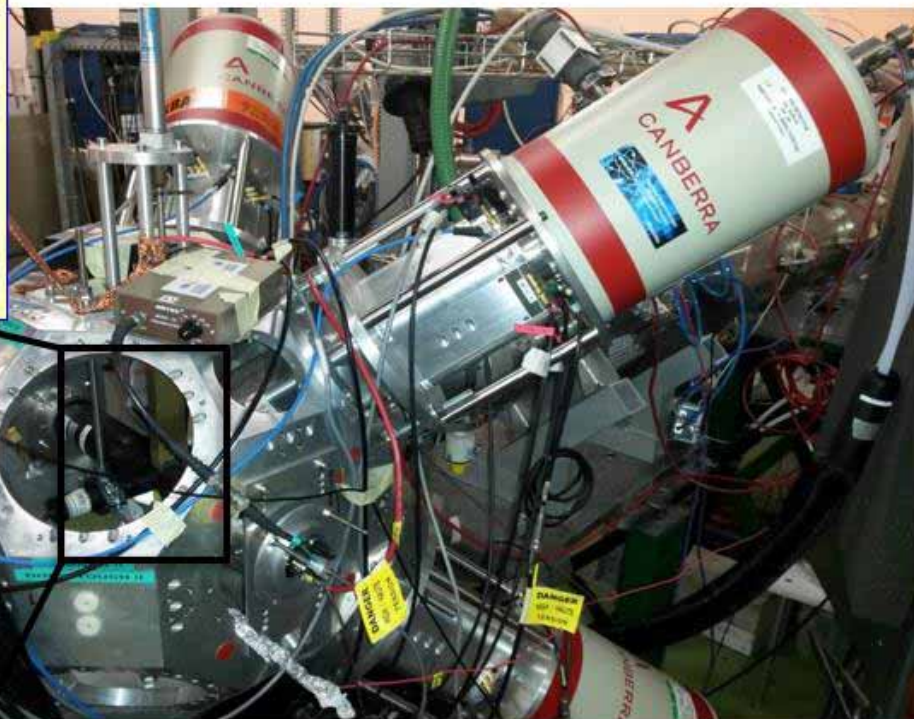
Fast response γ -detectors
Stop detectors

- Double coincidences: $\beta\gamma$: beta-Ge and beta-LaBr₃
- Triple coincidences $\beta\gamma\gamma$: beta-Ge-Ge and beta-Ge-LaBr₃

ISOLDE Decay Station

Fast-timing, GFN-UCM

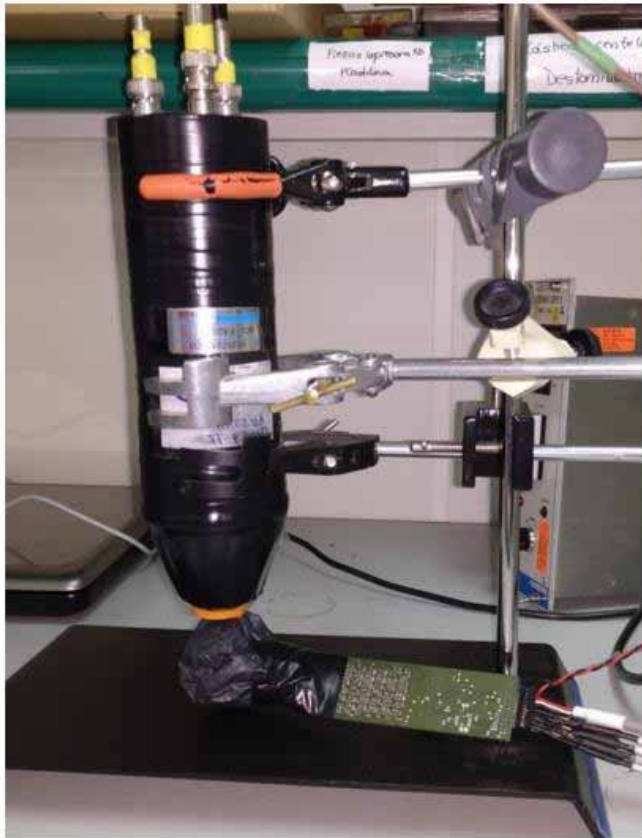
- 4 Clover HPGe ~ 3.7% **eff.** @600keV
- 2 LaBr₃(Ce) ~ 4% (2% each) @600keV (or up to 6 detectors)
- 1 Plastic Scintillator ~ 20% eff.
- DAQ – Digital system
- Analog TACs



- Analog timing processing: ORTEC CFD and 3 TAC for fast-timing
- Digital DAQ **Nutaq** / **XIA Pixie**

- Movable tape system to remove activity

Detectors



CLYC

Pr:LuAG

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SrI₂

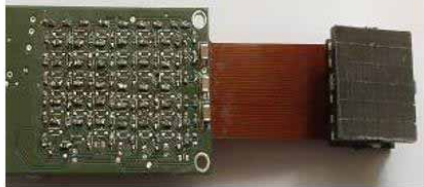


LaBr₃(Ce)

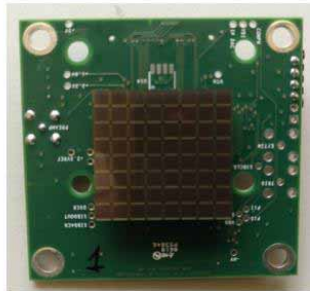
Tipo	Estructura	Cantidad
Alcalinos	LaBr ₃ (Ce)	1
	NaI(Tl)	3
	CsI(Tl)	2
	KI(Tl)	1
No Alcalinos	BaF ₂	1
	GSO	1
	LYSO	1
	BGO	1
	LFS	2
	MLS	64

Si PMs and boards

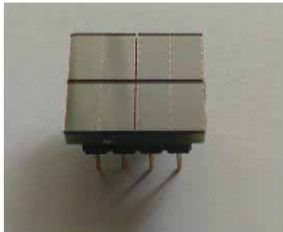
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Array 6x6 MicroFJ-30035 ([SensL](#))

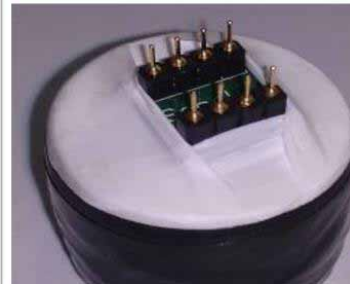


Array 8x8
PA3325-WB
([Ketek](#))

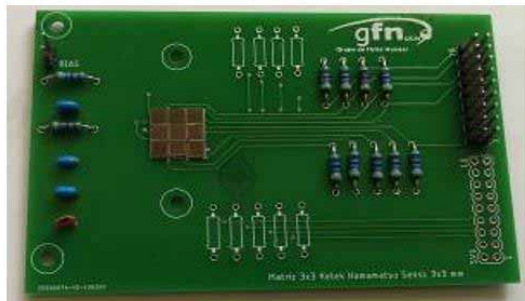


Array 2x2 MicroFJ-60035 ([SensL](#))

Lanthanum
bromide 2x2
cm + Array
2x2 SiPM 3x3
mm



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Array 3x3 PM3325-WB ([Ketek](#))
Array 3x3 MicroFJ-30035 ([SensL](#))



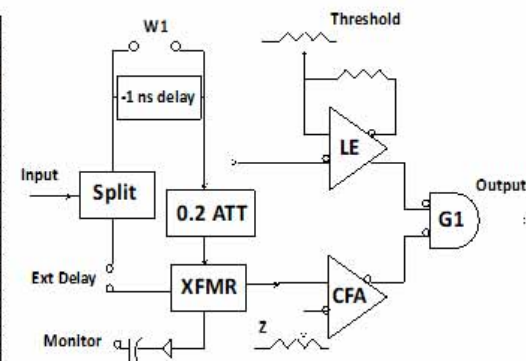
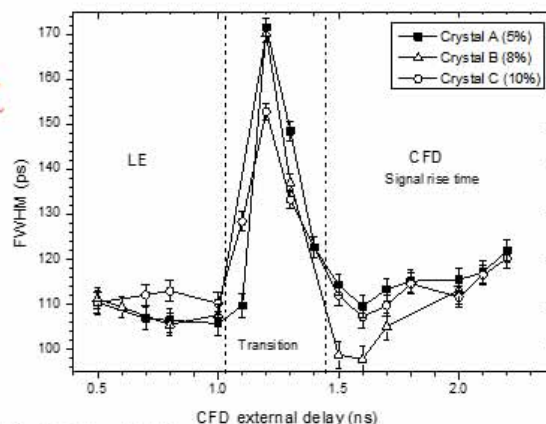
Cross Array 2x2 MicroFJ-60035 ([SensL](#))

LaBr₃

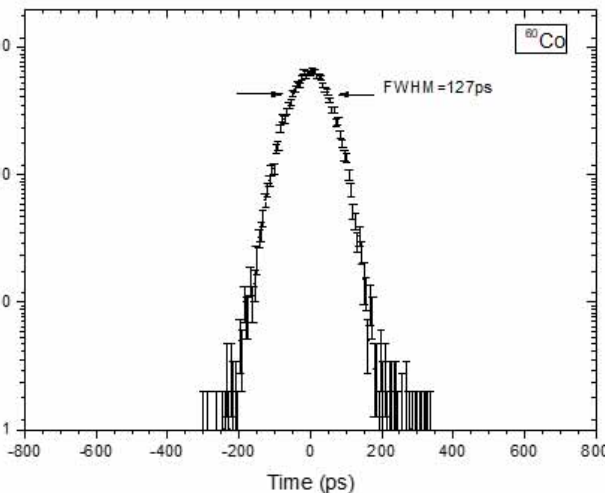
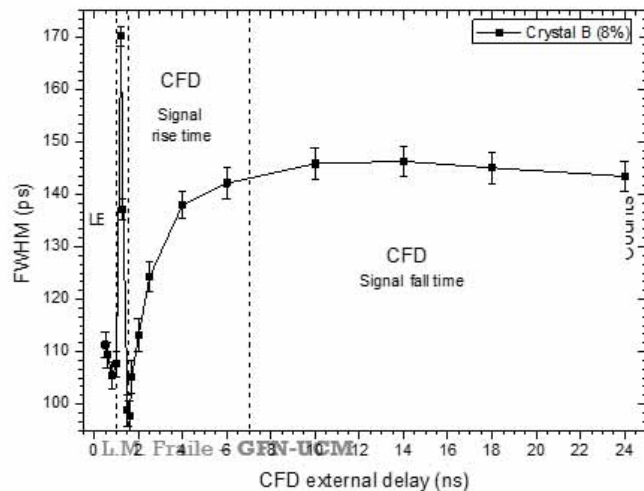
1-inch cylindrical LaBr₃(Ce) crystal

✓ Optimization procedure: PARAMETERS

- HV applied to PMT
- “External CFD delay
- Zero crossing



V. Vedia et al.,
Nucl. Instrum. Methods A 795 (2015) 144–150



LaBr₃(Ce) detector
FWHM time
resolution:

148(2) ps ²²Na 511 keV
 98(2) ps ⁶⁰Co source.

LaBr₃

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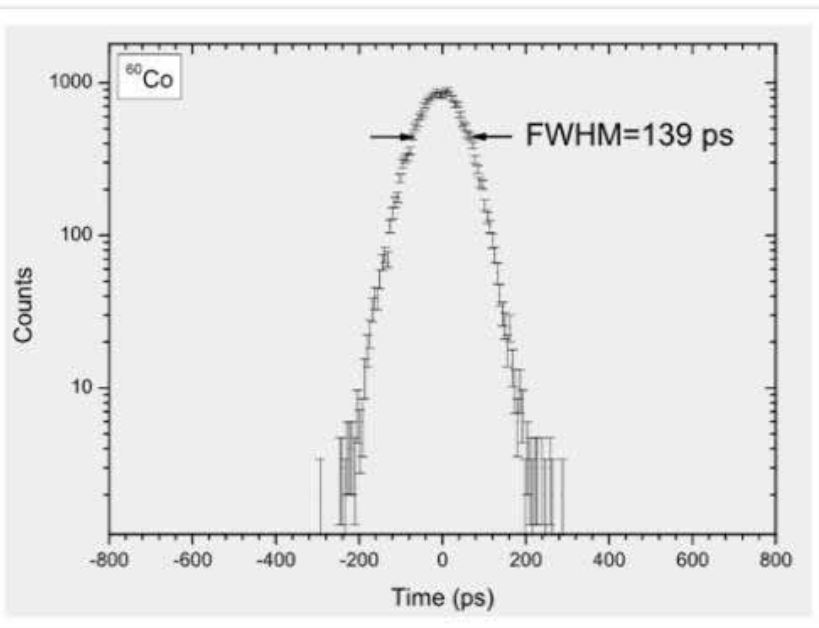
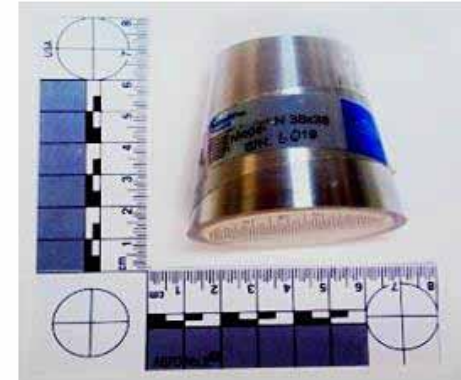


Performance evaluation of novel LaBr₃(Ce) scintillator geometries for fast-timing applications

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- Design of scintillator shapes and geometries for fast timing applications
- Optimization of parameters of readout using fast PMTs and analog electronics
- Best time resolution to-date obatined

FWHM time resolution:

110±3 ps @ ⁶⁰Co

158±3 ps @ ²²Na 511 keV

- Fully-digital readout for time and energy
- Coupling to SiPM and readout

CeBr₃

Alternative:

Price

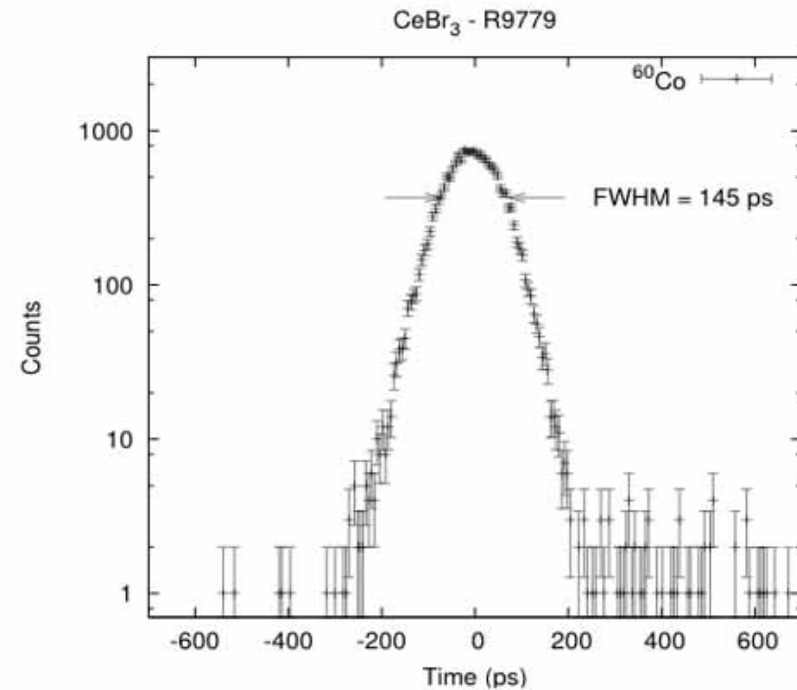
E resolution

Timing

Geometries...

FWHM

119 ± 2 ps at ^{60}Co

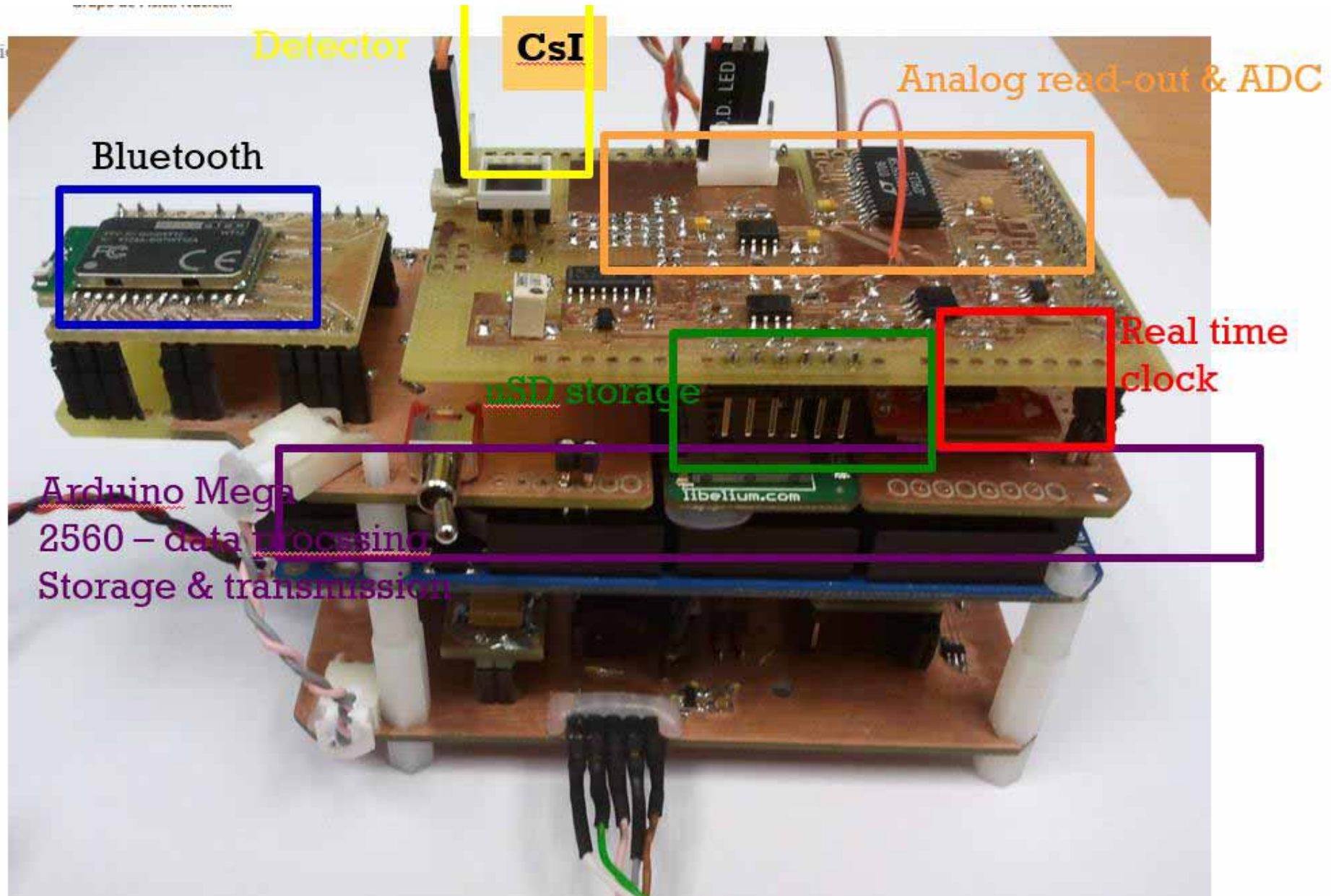


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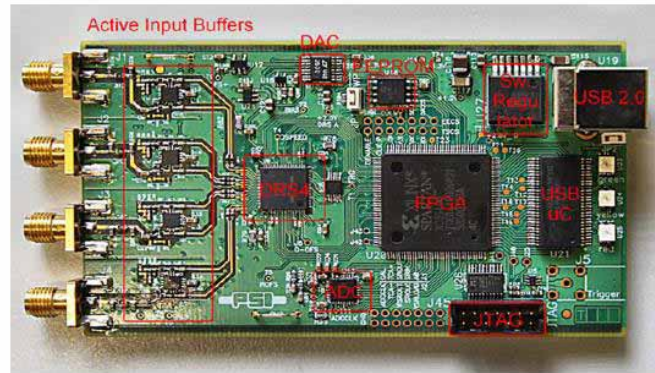
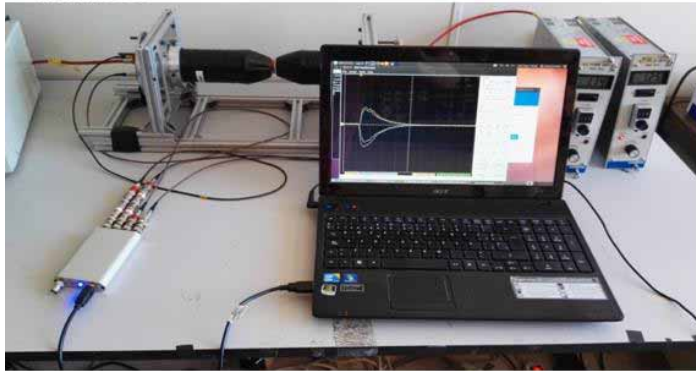
Time resolution FWHM (ps) per detector

PMT	^{60}Co	^{22}Na	Delay (ns)	HV (V)	Z (mV)
XP20D0	145 ± 2	210 ± 2	6.0	1200	-2.2
R9779	119 ± 2	164 ± 2	1.5	1330	2.0

Integrated system



DAQs



- 4 channels, 1024 samples per channel in a pulse
- 1 to 5 GS/s
- 12 bit
- USB power
- 500 pulses / s in the PC, full 4 channels, 12 bits at 5 GS/s



- Series 2000
- 1 GS (Maximum) Sampling speed
- 50 MHz bandwidth
- Vertical resolution 8 bits

DRS4 @ PSI

<http://drs.web.psi.ch>

S. Ritt

VME-based data acquisition
XIA digital data acquisition system + ...

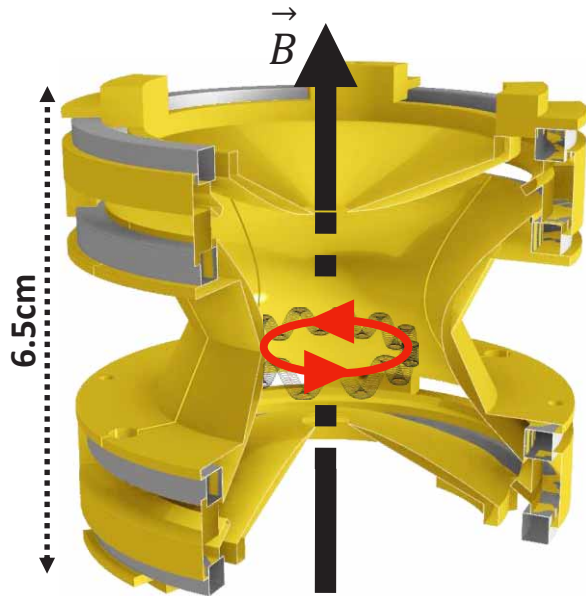
- Continuous digitizing capabilities not really required
- Simple: the same board can acquire and digitize data for energy and time coincidences. Preserve pulse properties
- Flexible. Any kind of processing and filter is possible, median filter, recursive filters, FFT and frequency based filters.
- Stable and noiseless

Mass spectrometry with ISOLTRAP

Contact: M. Mougeout, K. Blaum, D. Lunney, L. Schweikhard

Penning-trap mass spectrometry at ISOLTRAP

• The Penning trap :

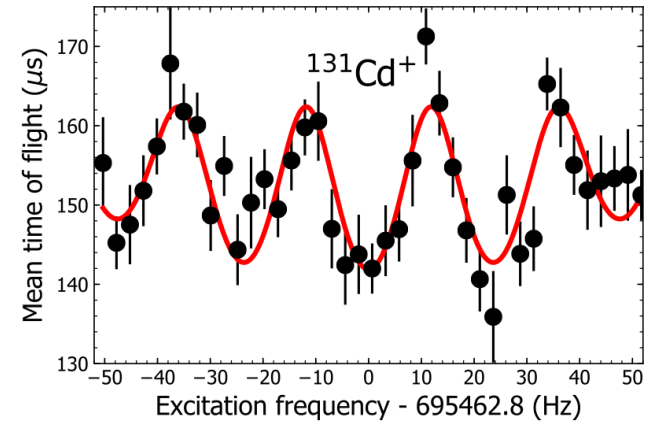


High precision
determination of :

$$\nu_c = \frac{qB}{2\pi m_{ion}}$$

• ToF-ICR:

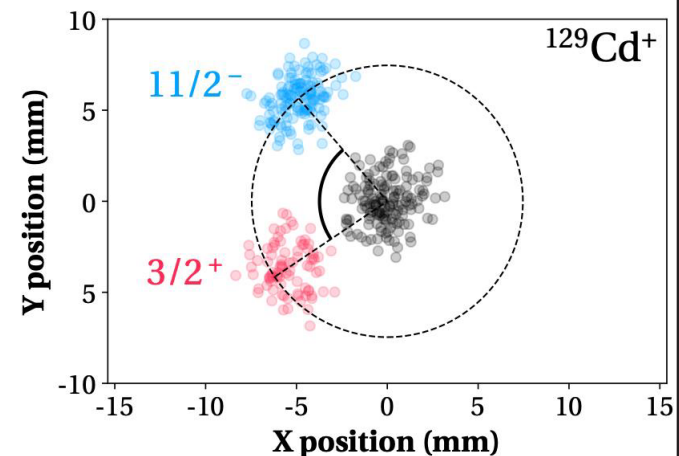
- Scanning
- $t_{meas} \sim 50 - 2000$ ms
- $\delta m/m \sim 10^{-7} - 10^{-9}$
- $m/\Delta m \sim 10^4 - 10^6$



• PI-ICR :

- **Non-scanning**
- $t_{meas} \sim 50 - 2000$ ms
- $\delta m/m \sim 10^{-7} - < 10^{-9}$
- $m/\Delta m \sim 10^6 - > 10^7$

$$\nu = \frac{\phi + 2\pi n}{2\pi t_{meas}}$$



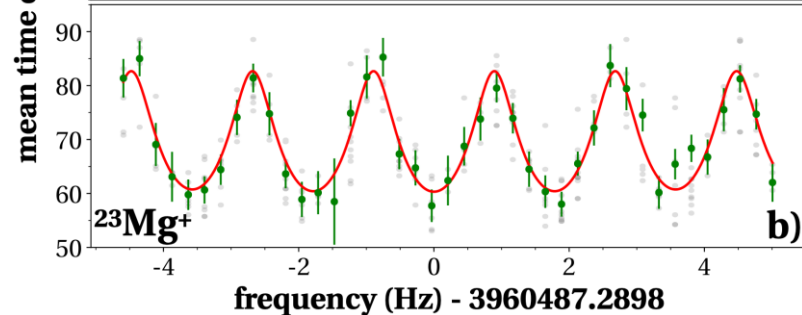
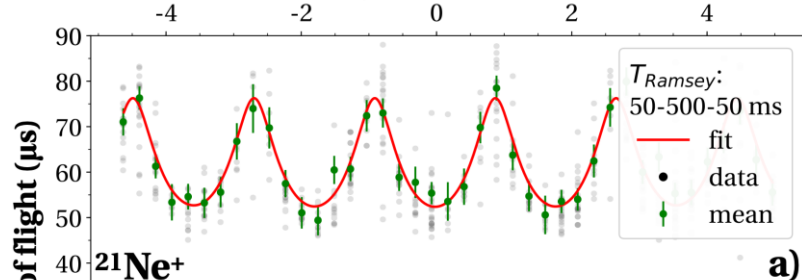
V. Manea, J. Kartheim *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 092502 (2020)

High-precision Q_{EC} -values of mirror nuclei

- $^{21}\text{Na} \rightarrow ^{21}\text{Ne}$ and $^{23}\text{Mg} \rightarrow ^{23}\text{Na}$:

$$Q_{EC} = (M_p - M_d)c^2$$

frequency (Hz) - 4337848.9681

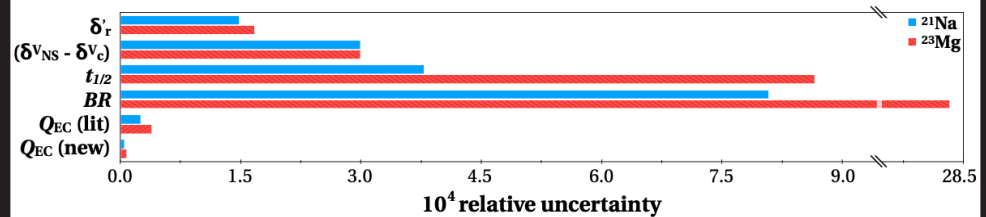


- 30 spectra of ^{21}Na , ^{21}Ne and 18 of ^{23}Mg , ^{23}Na
- $^{21}\text{Na} \rightarrow ^{21}\text{Ne}$: $\delta m/m = 9 \cdot 10^{-10}$
- $^{23}\text{Mg} \rightarrow ^{23}\text{Na}$: $\delta m/m = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-9}$
- Both Q_{EC} -values uncertainty improved by a factor of 5

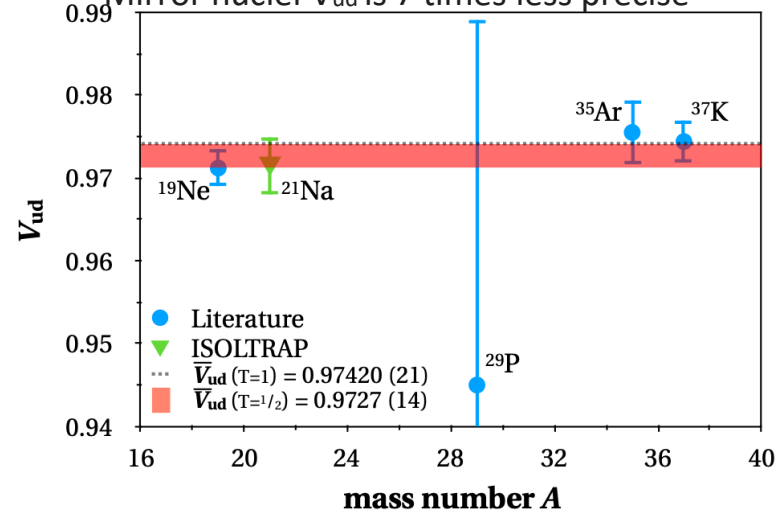
J. Karthein *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 100, 015502 (2019)

- V_{ud} element extracted from mirror nuclei:

- Q_{EC} -values have the smallest contribution to the error budget



- Cannot extract V_{ud} for ^{23}Mg (missing $\beta\nu$ correlation coefficient)
- Mirror nuclei V_{ud} value agrees well with the one extracted from super allowed decays
- Mirror nuclei V_{ud} is 7 times less precise

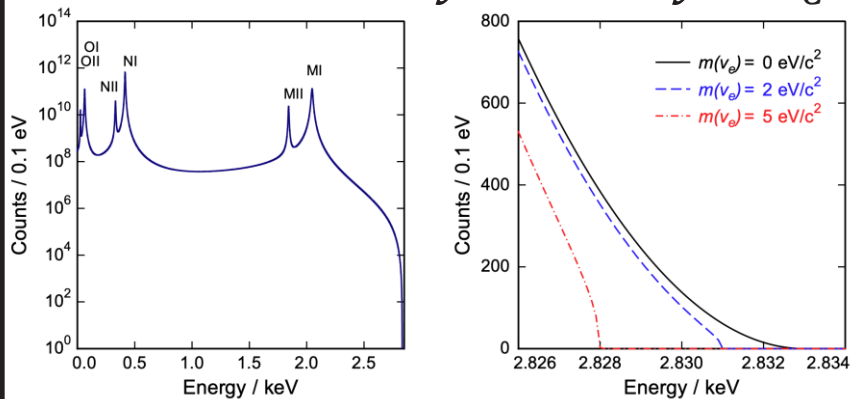
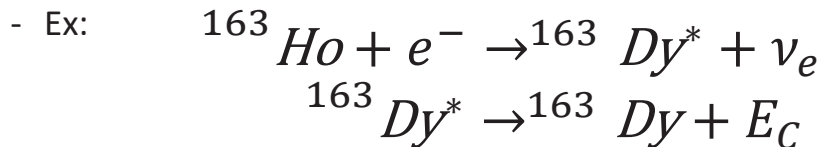


High-precision Q_{EC} -values for neutrino physics

- Primary goal:

- Contribute to direct determination of neutrino mass
- Precise knowledge of the QEC-value of EC required by micro-calorimeters

$$Q_{EC} = (M_p - M_d)c^2$$



- But also:

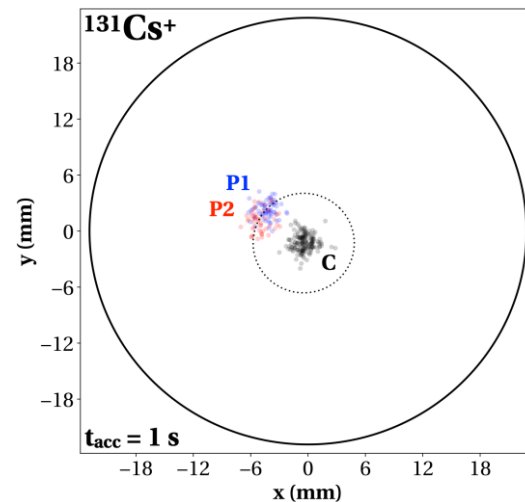
- Test functioning of microcalorimeters
- Test theoretical description of EC-spectrum
- Search for new candidate EC-transitions

L. Gastaldo *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. Special Topics 226, 1623–1694 (2017)

- The $^{131}\text{Cs} \rightarrow ^{131}\text{Xe}$ candidate pair:

- Improve Q_{EC} uncertainty by a factor of 25
- Precludes ^{131}Cs as possible candidate for the ν_e -mass determination
- Successful PI-ICR online test (1st ISOLTRAP publication on PI-ICR)

Mother	$T_{1/2}$	Daugh.	Q_{ge} / keV	$\delta Q_{ge} / \text{keV}$	Decay
^{131}Cs	9.7 d	^{131}Xe	-15	5	EC _L
			-11	5	EC _M
^{131}Cs	9.7 d	^{131}Xe	-11.5	0.2	EC _L
			-7.2	0.2	EC _M

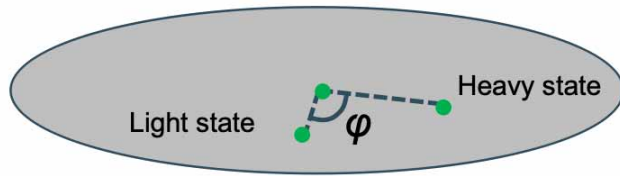


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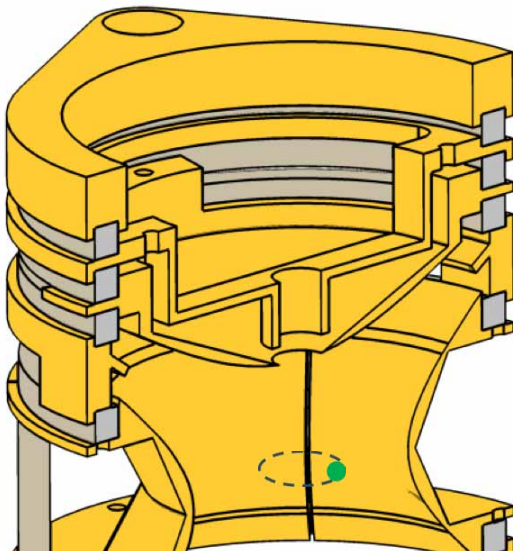
Phase-Imaging Ion Cyclotron Resonance

- The technique:

Position-sensitive detector

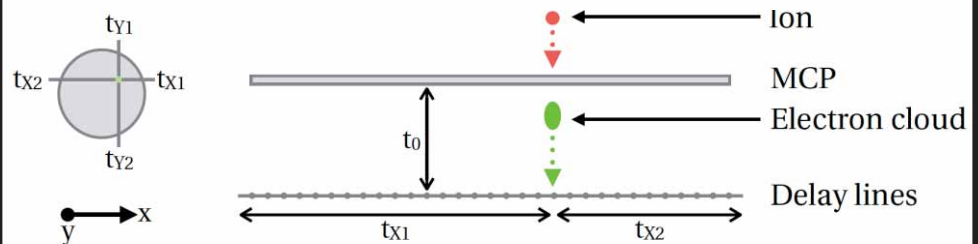
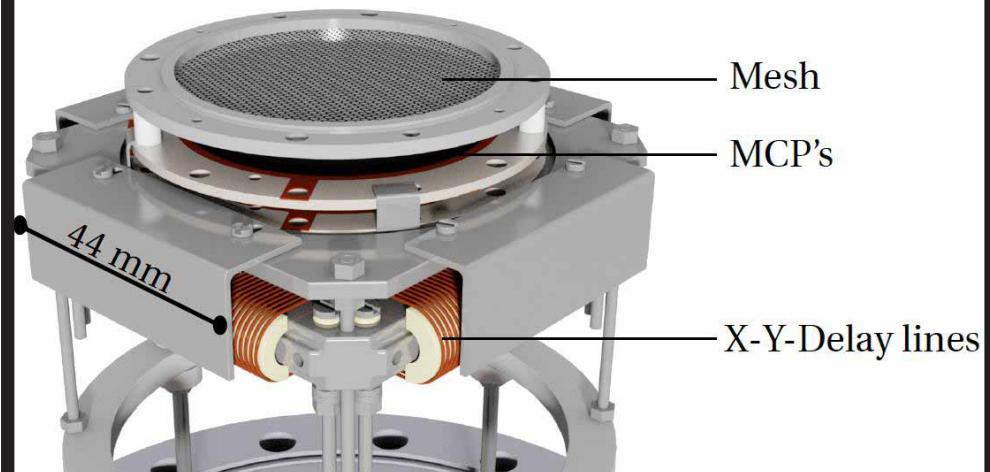


$$\nu = \frac{\phi + 2\pi n}{2\pi t_{meas}}$$



- The delay-line detector:

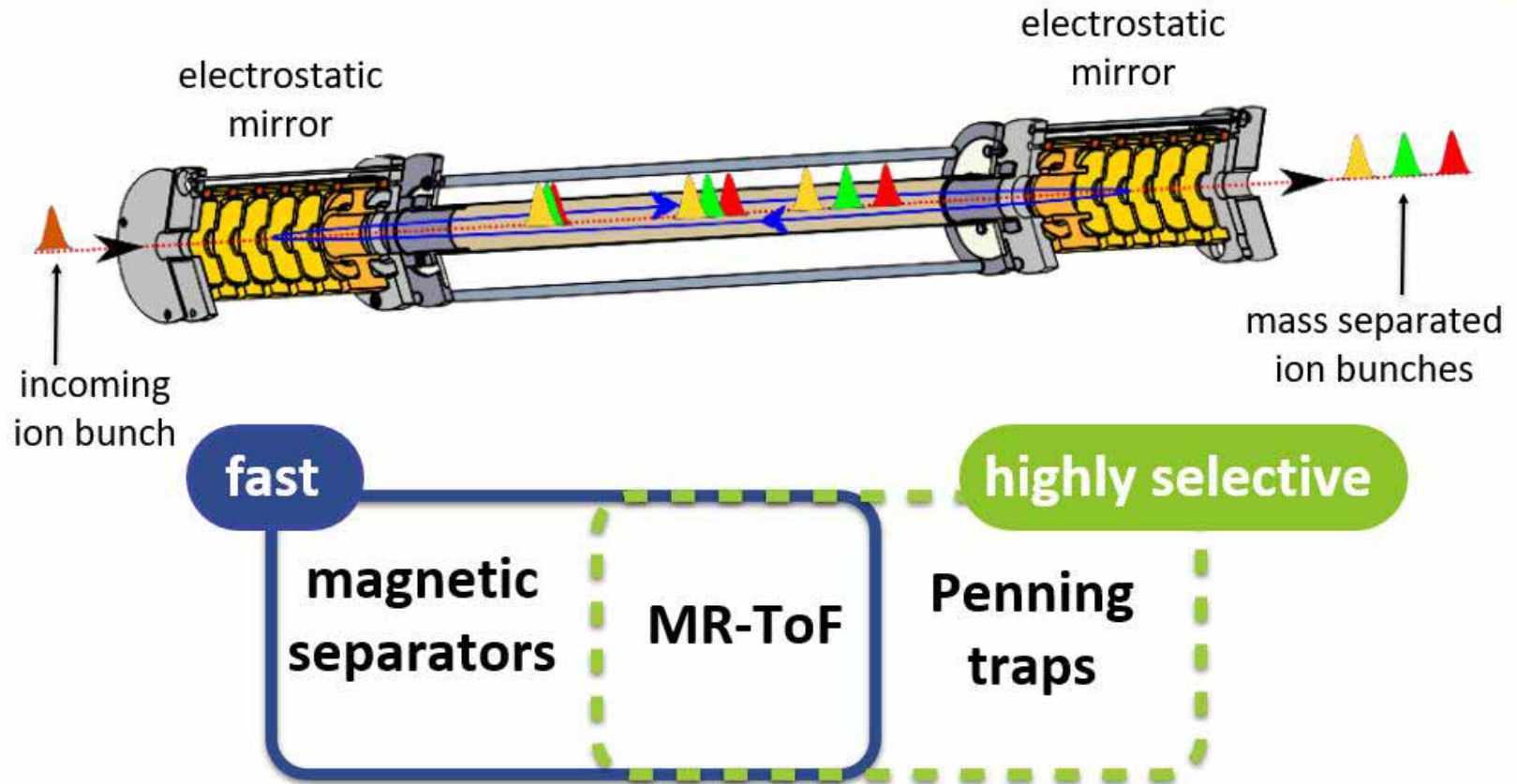
- Single pitch propagation time (1mm) ~ 0.75 ns
- $X = t_{x1} - t_{x2}$ (same for Y)
- Single ion sensitivity :)
- Poor dynamic range (~ 3 ions/bunch) :(



MIRACLS: MR-TOF, Multi-Reflection- Time of Flight spectrometer

Contact: S. Malbrunot, CERN

MR-TOF devices



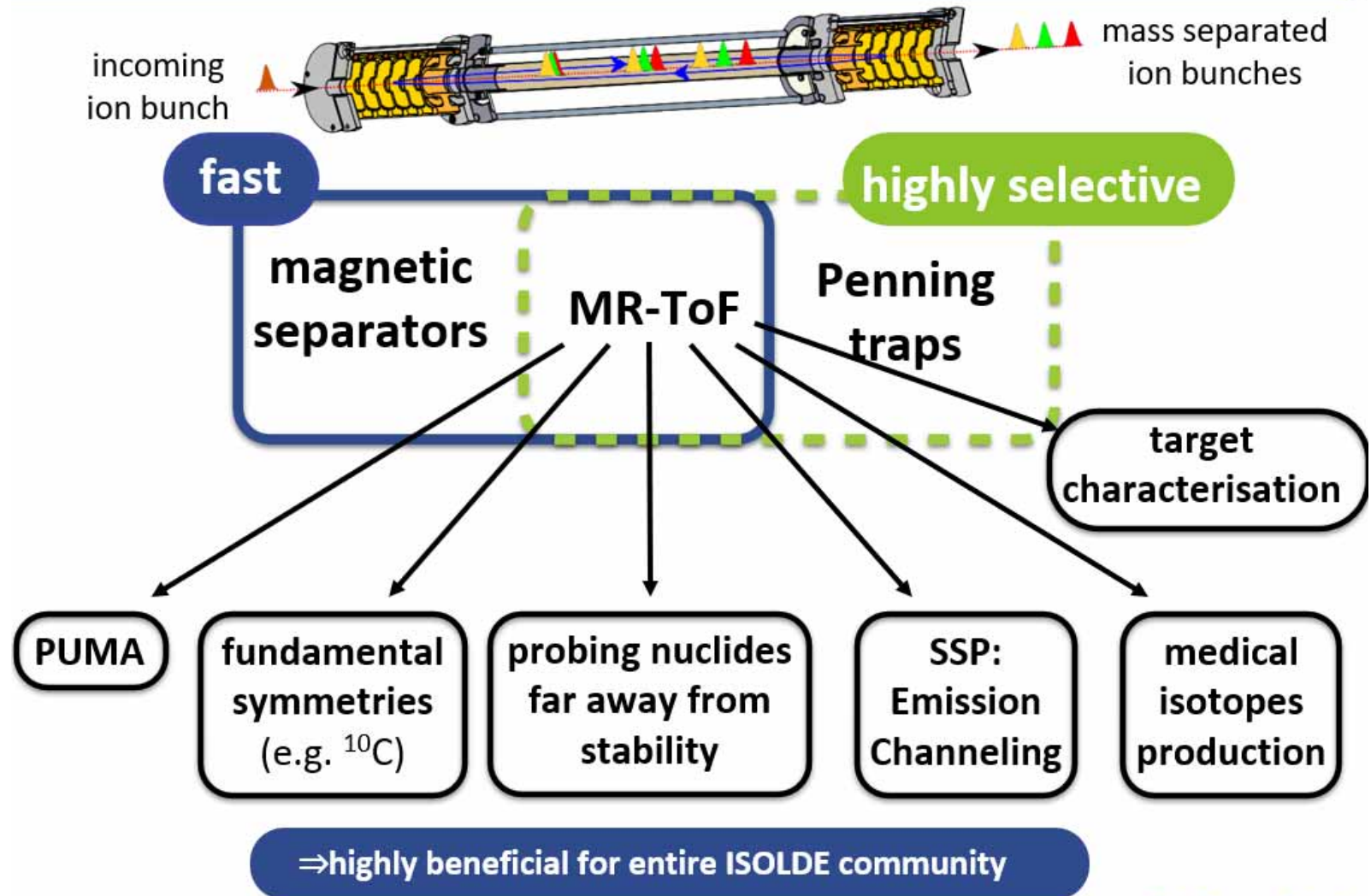
Characteristics:

- $m/\Delta m > 10^5$ achieved in a few milliseconds
- ion capacity to $\approx 10^6$ ions/s (limitation due to space-charge effects limit)

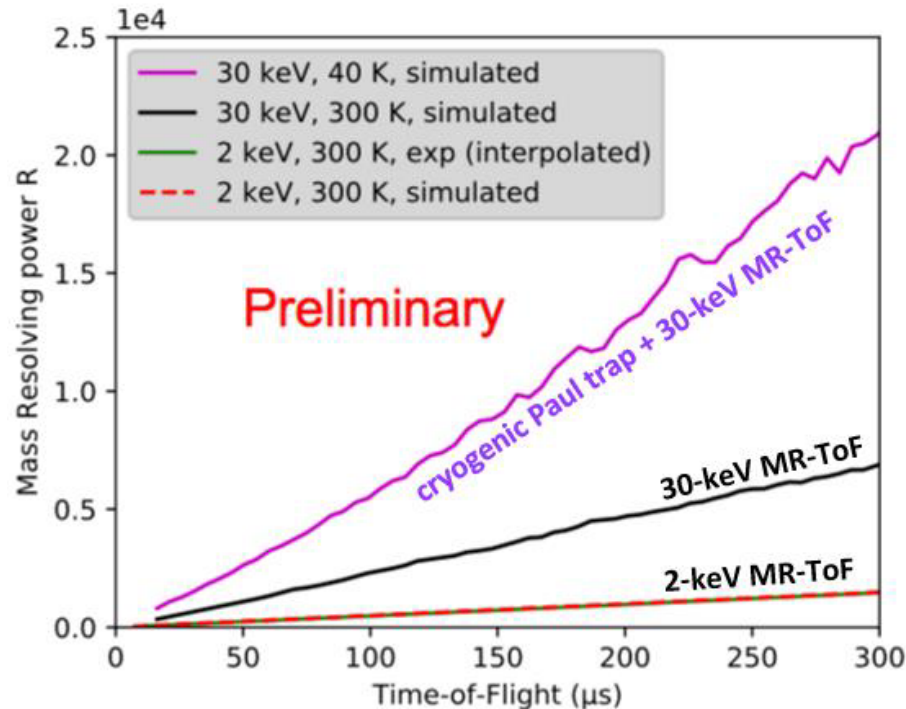
$$\frac{m}{\Delta m} \square$$



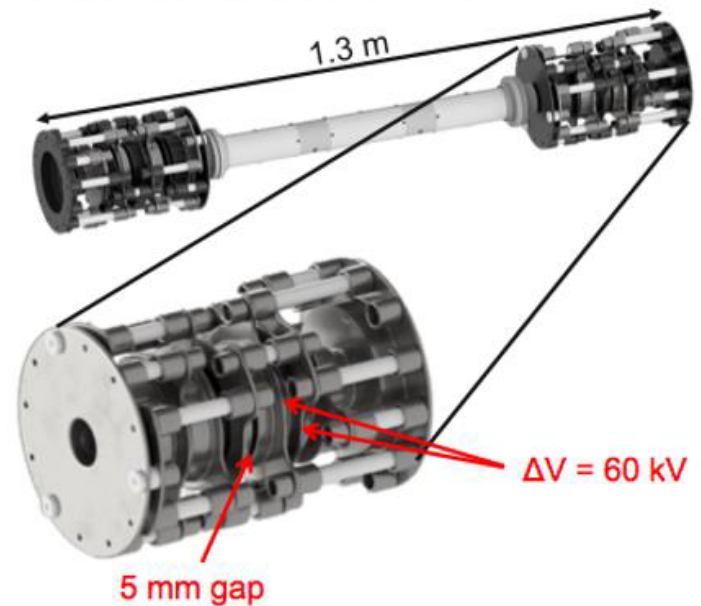
applications for high-flux MR-ToF



30-keV MR-ToF: new opportunities for purified ISOLDE beams



MIRACLS' 30-keV MR-ToF



faster isobaric separation in MR-ToF while keeping high mass resolving power

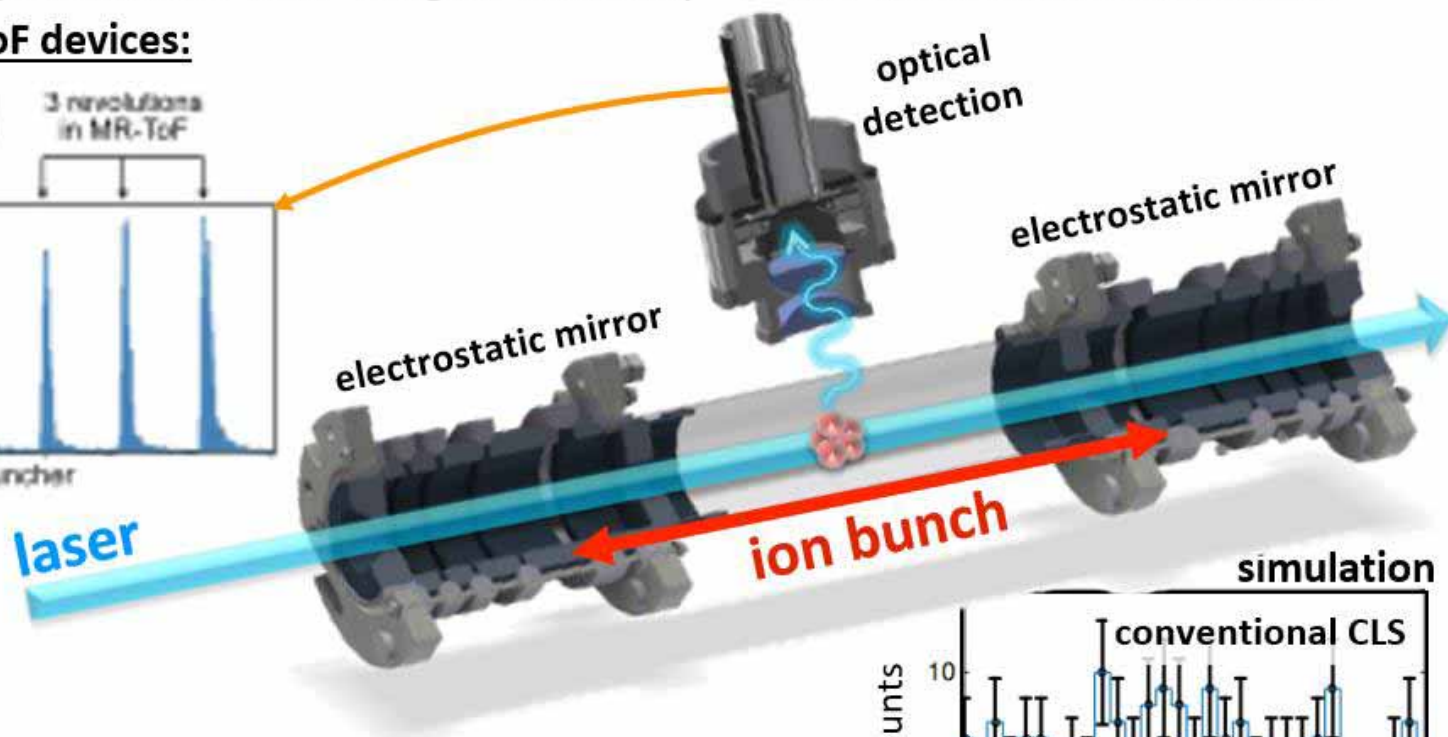
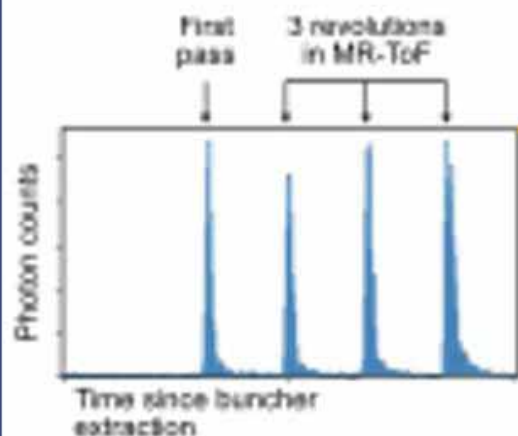
- higher ion flux through MR-ToF device ('bypass' space-charge limits)
- initial goal: a few pA (ultimate goal: >100 pA)



the Multi Ion Reflection Apparatus for Collinear Laser Spectroscopy

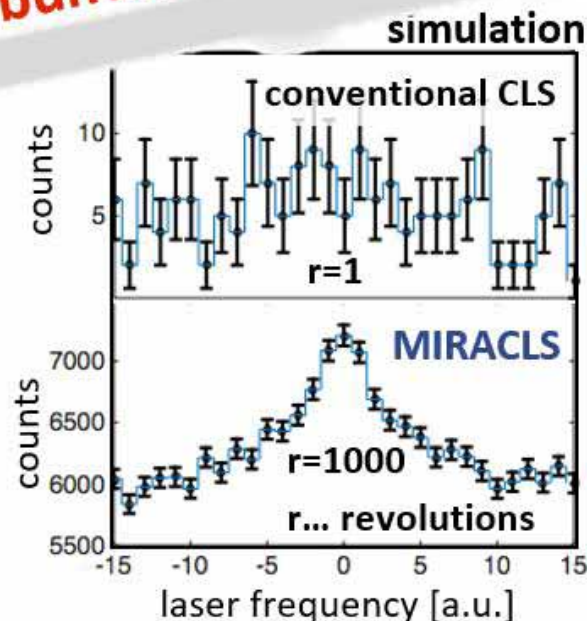
trap $\Rightarrow$ long observation time $\Rightarrow$ higher sensitivity $\Rightarrow$ more exotic nuclides accessible

MR-ToF devices:



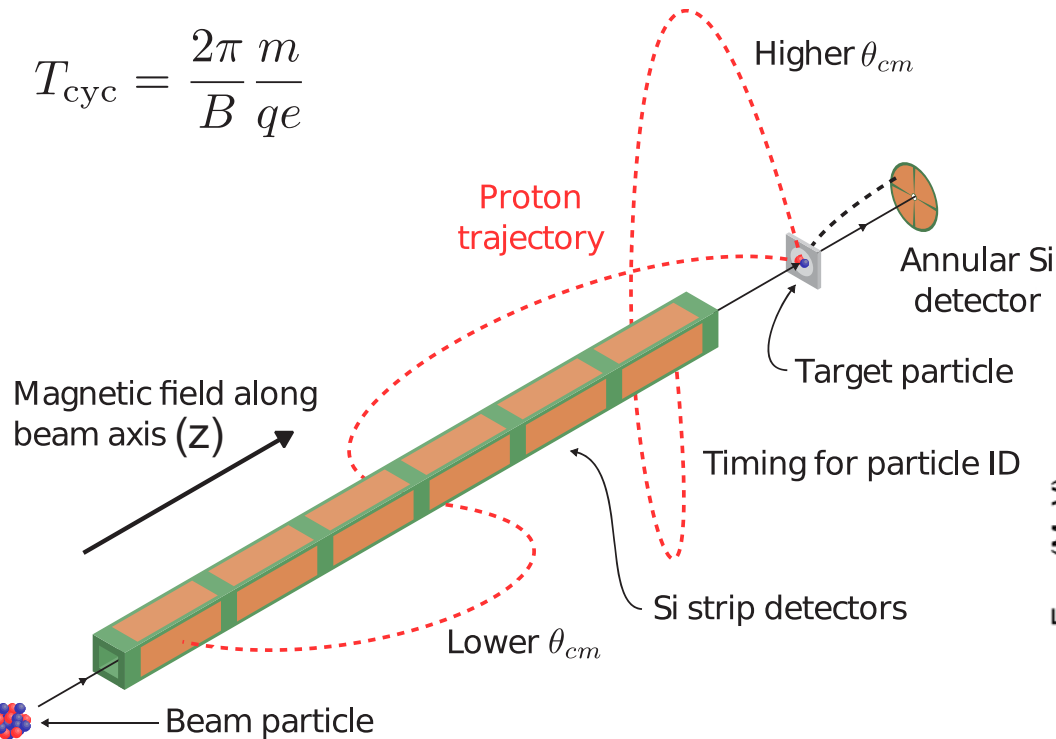
novel approach for collinear
laser spectroscopy:

- ion trap $\Rightarrow$ long observation time
- 30 keV beam $\Rightarrow$ high resolution



ISS

ISS: direct reactions

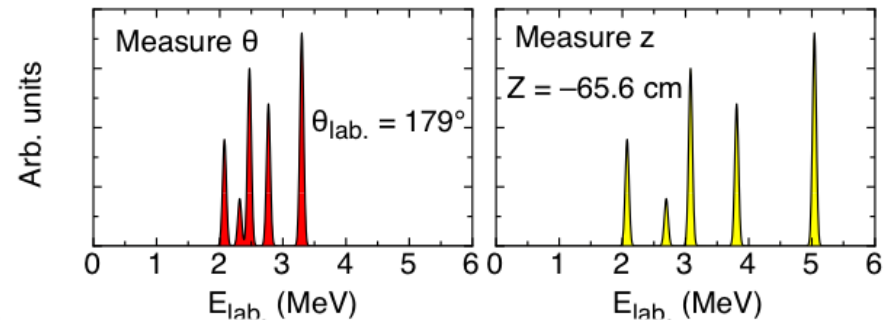
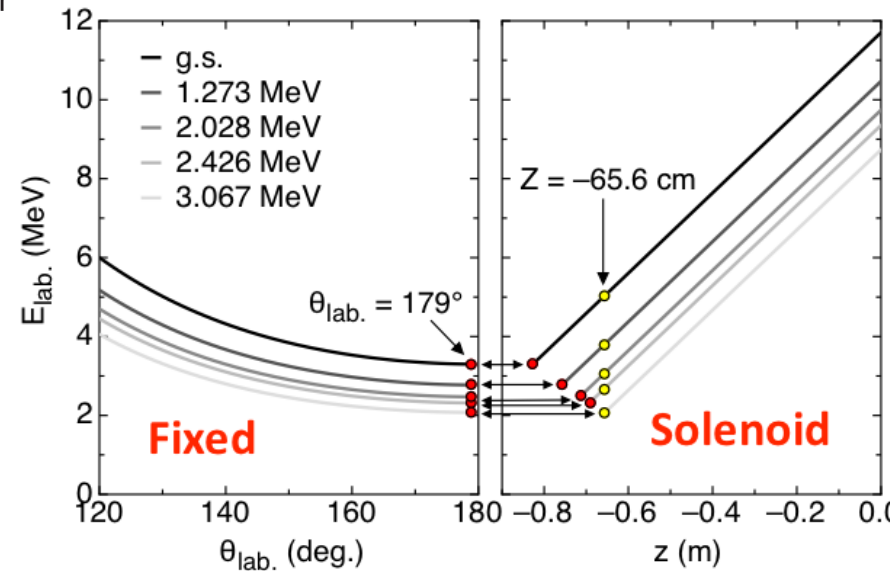


$$E_{cm} = E_{lab} + \frac{mV_{cm}^2}{2} - \frac{mzV_{cm}}{T_{cyc}}$$

MEASURED: position z that light ejectile returns to axis, cyclotron period T_{cyc} and lab particle energy E_p .

no kinematic compression of Q-value spectrum (unlike measurements at fixed angles)

Linear relationship between E_{cm} and E_{lab} .



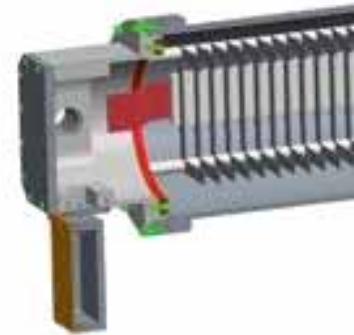
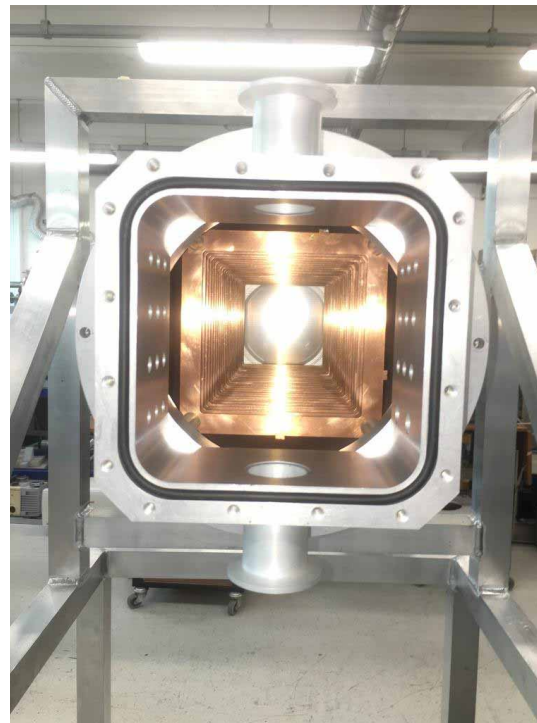
Upgraded recoil detector

New gas-filled recoil detector for recoil identification

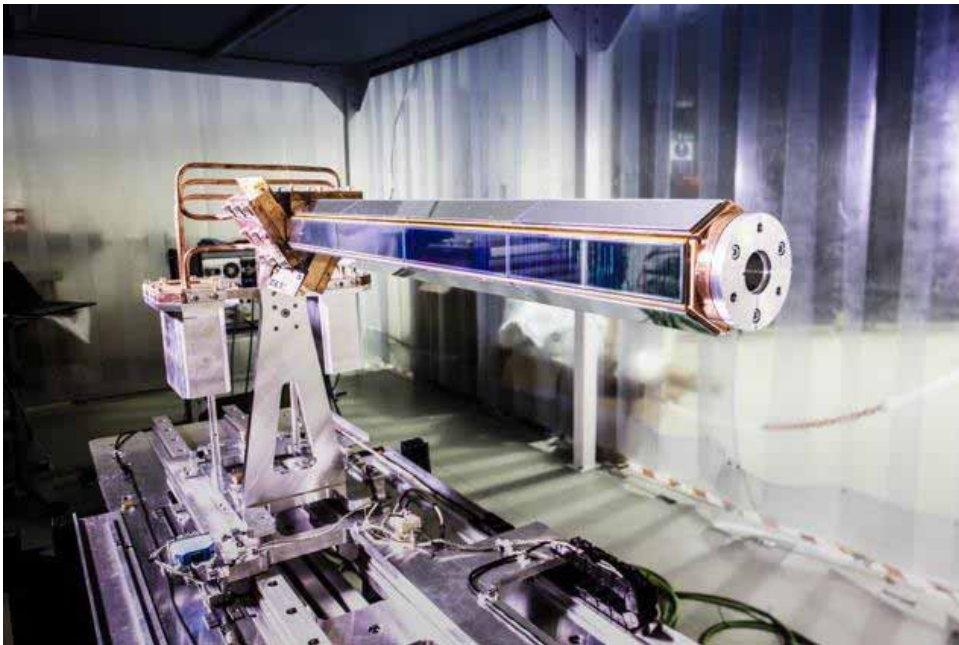
Position-sensitive (delay lines) multi-wire proportional counter. Followed by segmented gas-filled ion chamber.

Digitized signals – sample full dE/dx .

Count rate up to 100kHz.



Completed detector of 3 modules



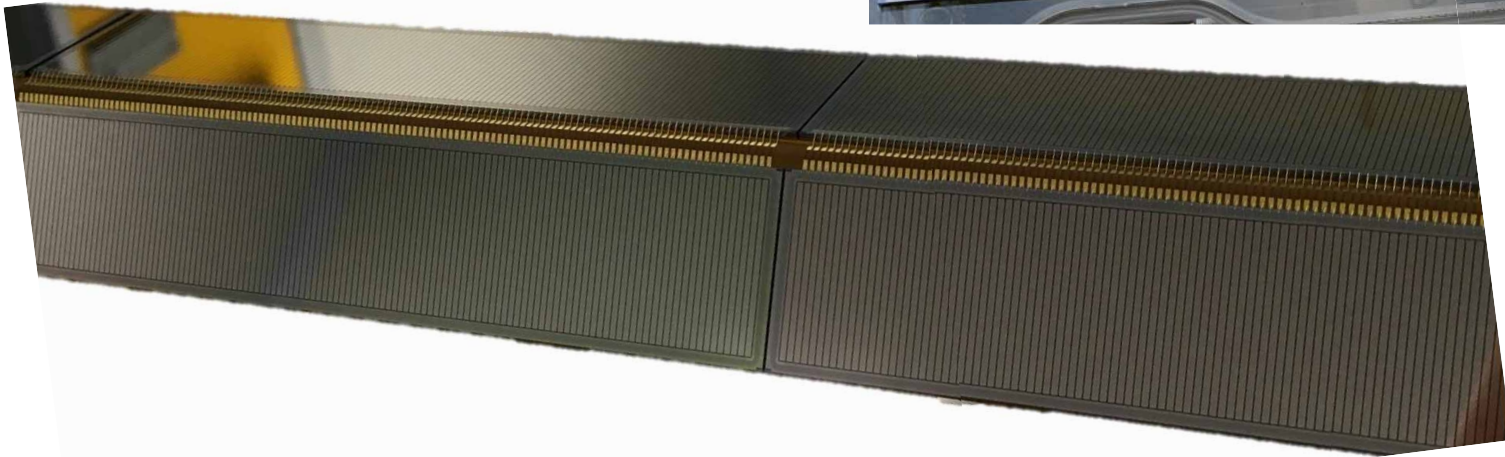
1 module with 2 sides
4xDSSD wafers per side

DSSSD wafers

Ohmic (n)
[glue bonded]
back



Junction (p)
[wire bonded]
front



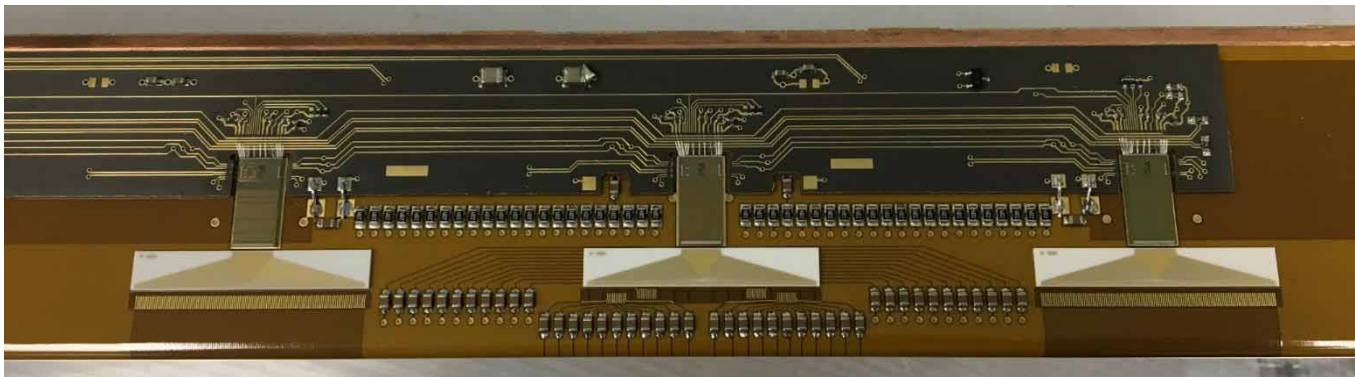


Completed module

3 → Array (CERN)

1 → Spare (CERN)





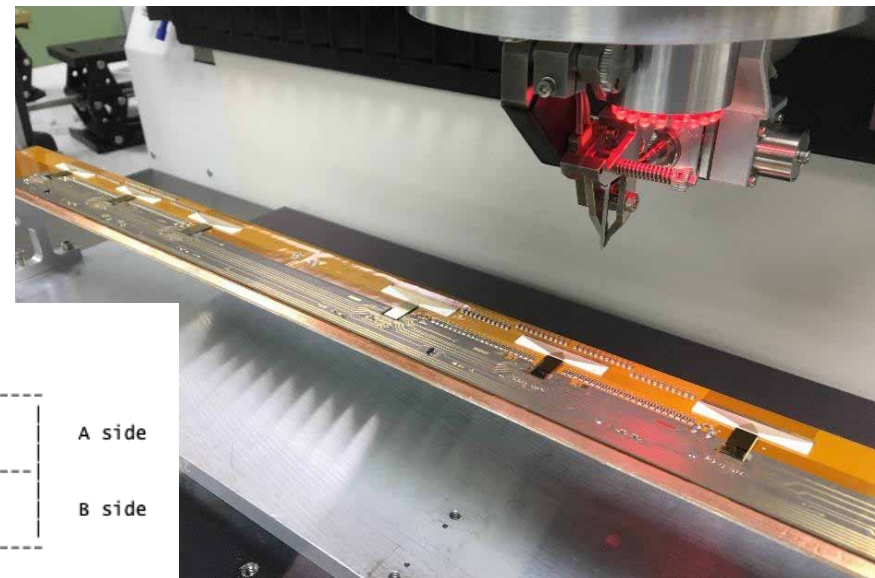
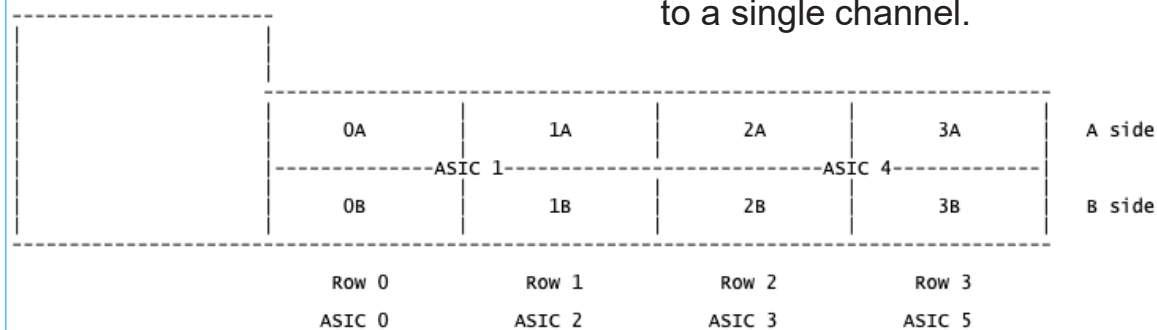
6 ASICs per module
3 forward end
3 rear end

ASIC 0, 2, 3, 5 - p-side strips

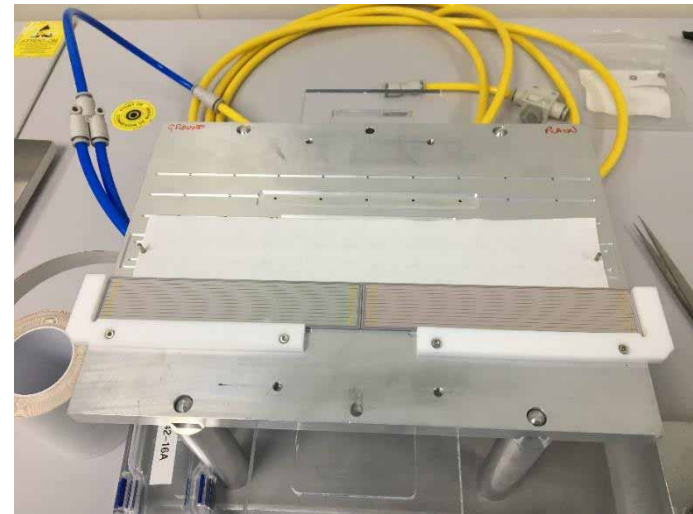
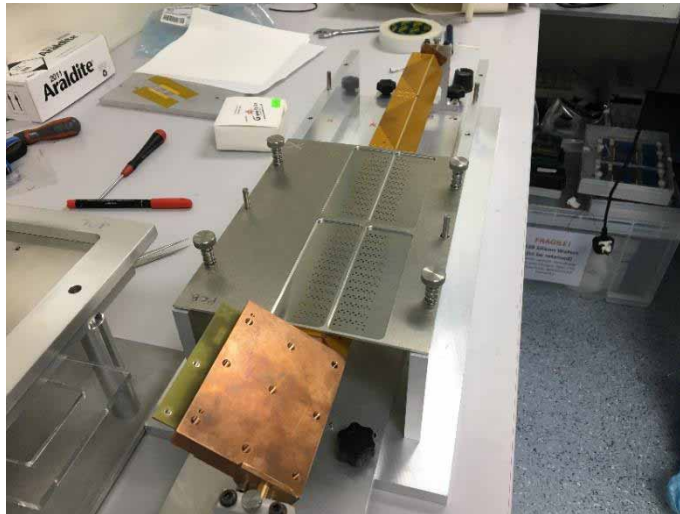
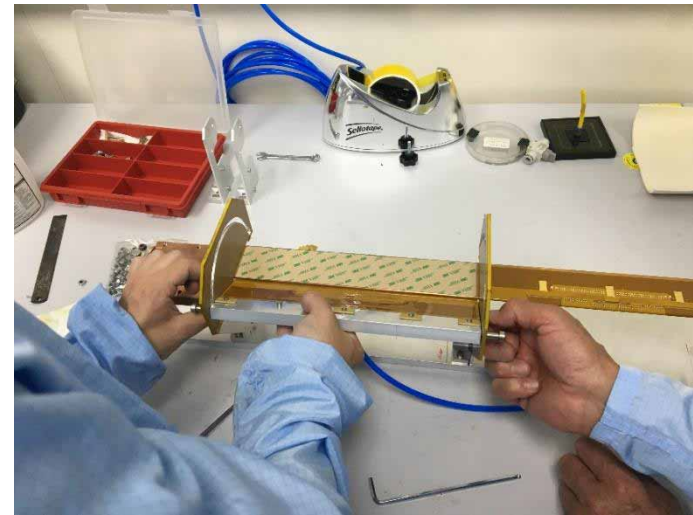
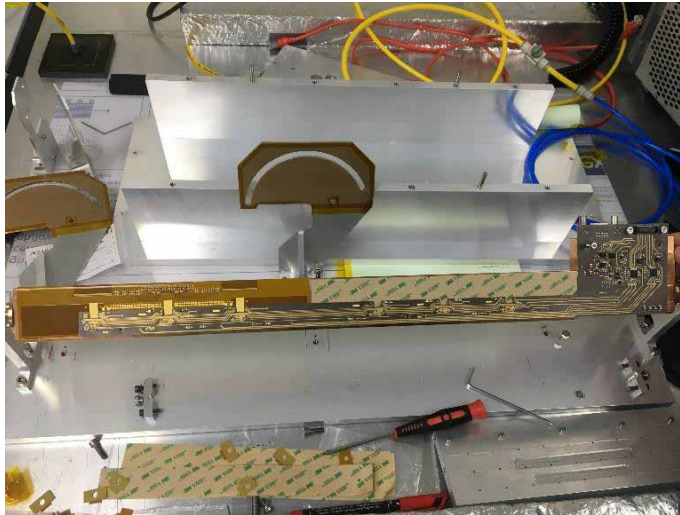
- 128 channels per ASIC.
- Strips “paired” by wire bonding from A side to B side

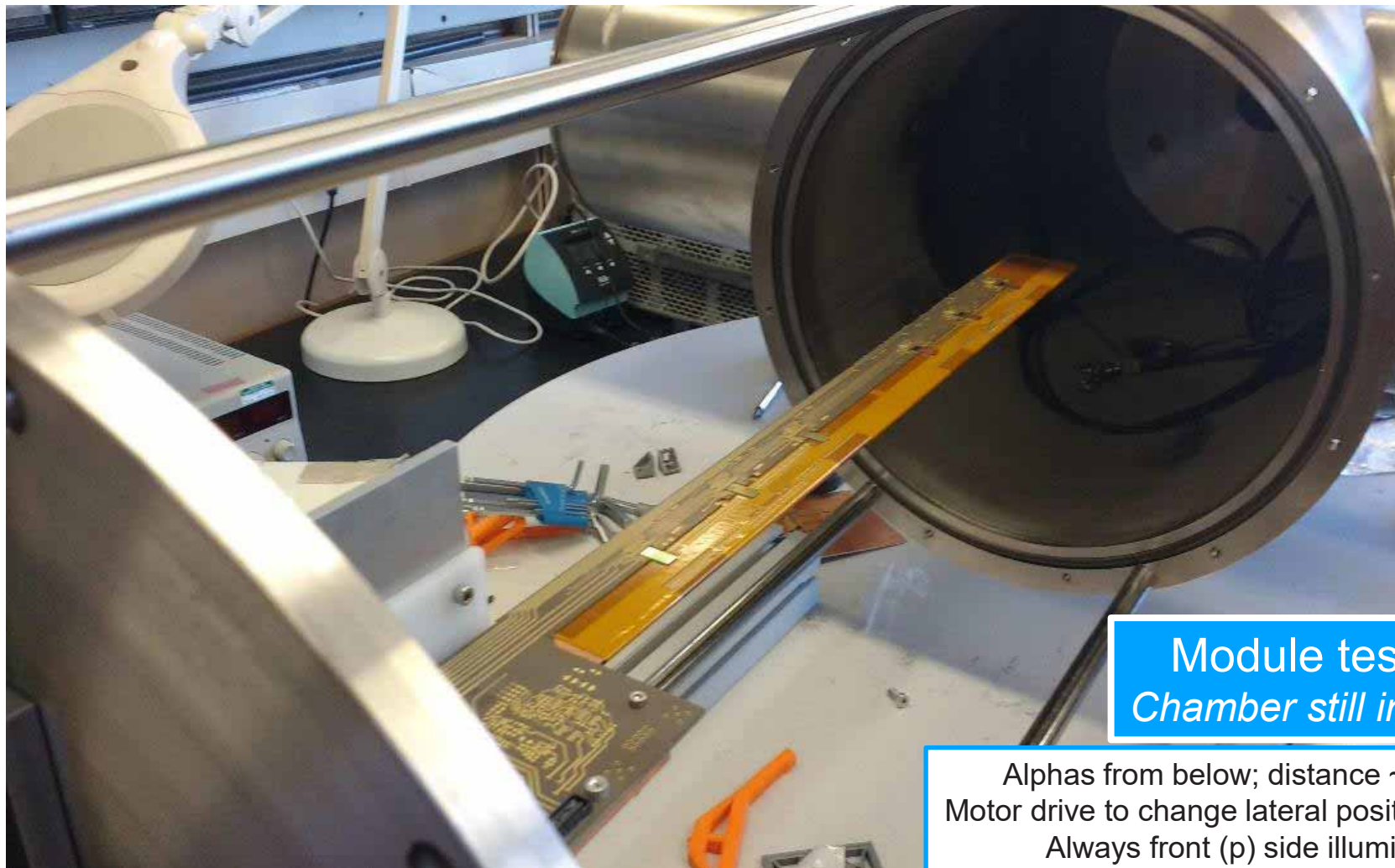
ASIC 1, 4 - n-side

- 44 channels per ASIC.
- Every strip mapped to a single channel.



Module Assembly





Module test setup

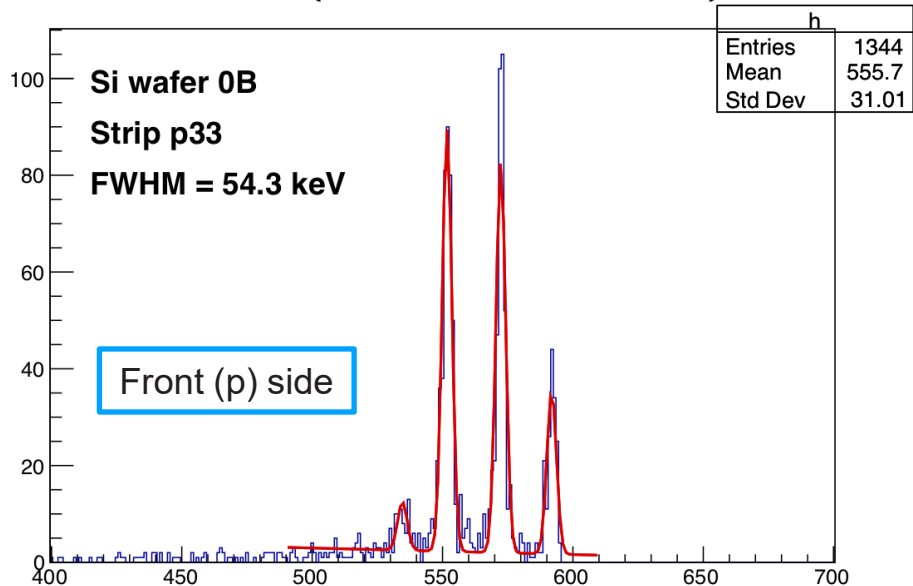
Chamber still in Liverpool

Alphas from below; distance ~250 mm.
Motor drive to change lateral position of source.
Always front (p) side illuminated.

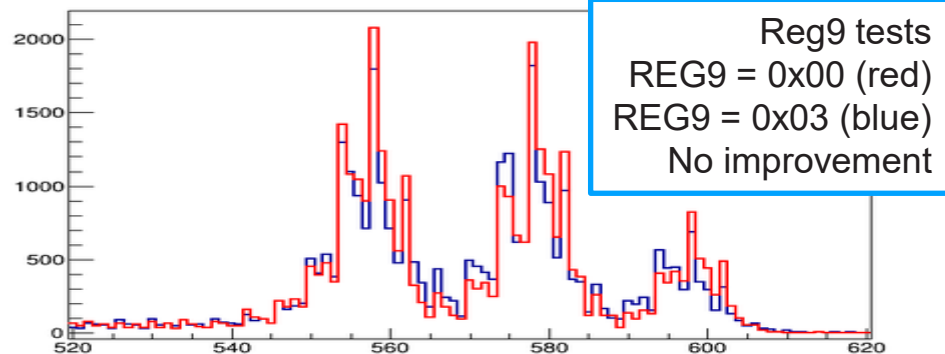
Alpha spectra

- No fine structure included in the fits.
- Edge effects observed (small peak).
- Coincidences not yet tested.

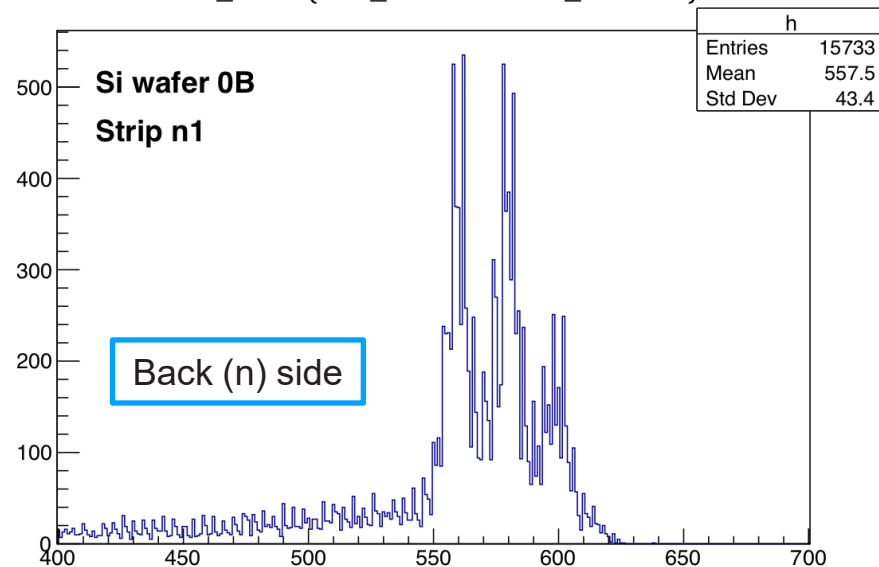
adc_data {asic_id == 0 && ch_id == 33}



adc_data {asic_id==1 && ch_id==33}



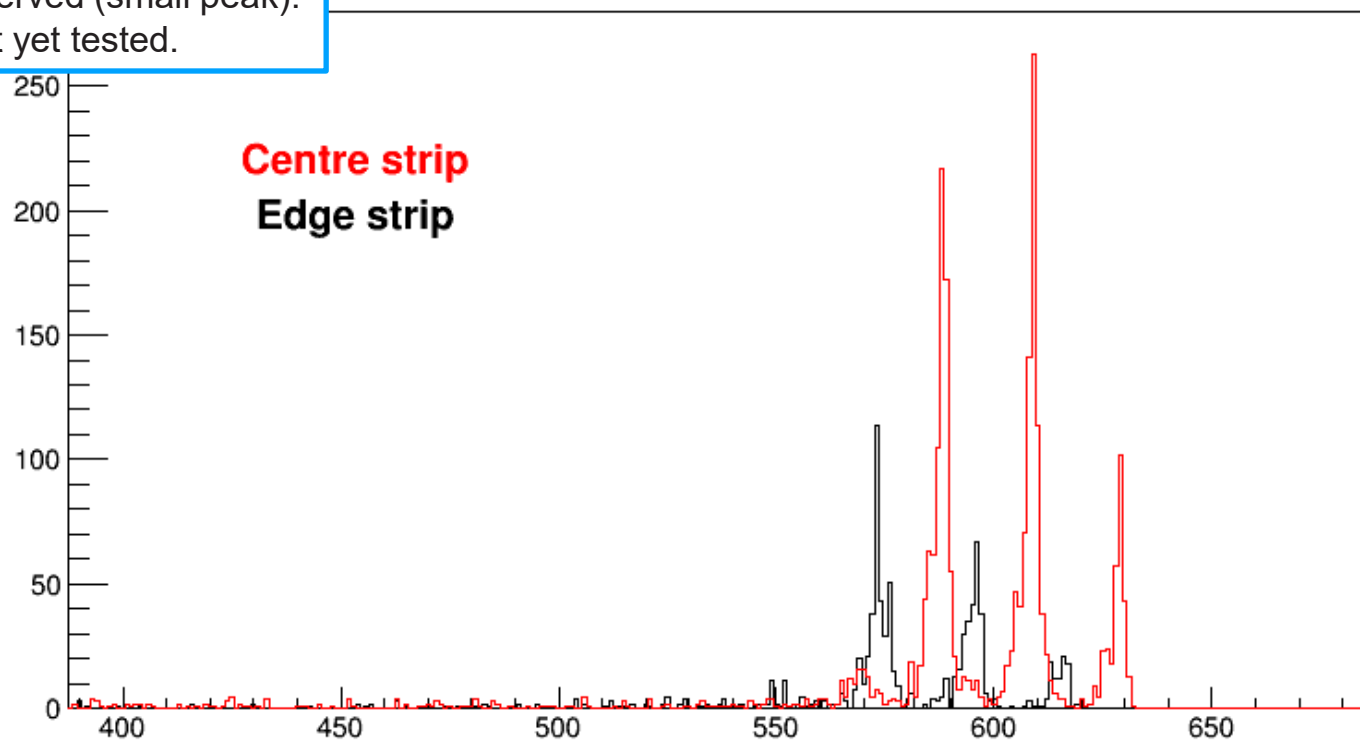
adc_data {asic_id == 1 && ch_id == 29}



Alpha spectra

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- Coincidences not yet tested.

adc_data {asic_id==5 && ch_id == 0}



Calibrated Ge detector

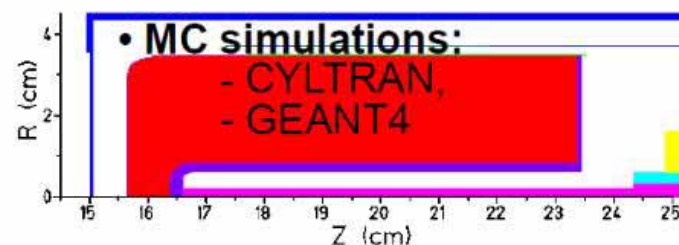
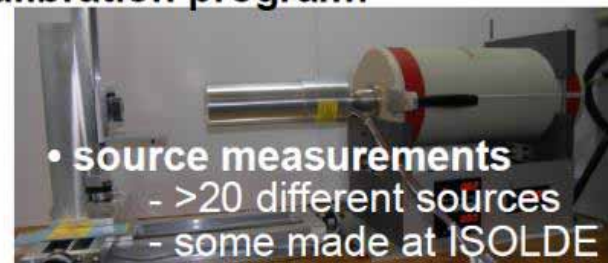
Lifetime $t_{1/2}$ and branching ratio BR

● Decay studies with high-purity Ge detector (Bordeaux)

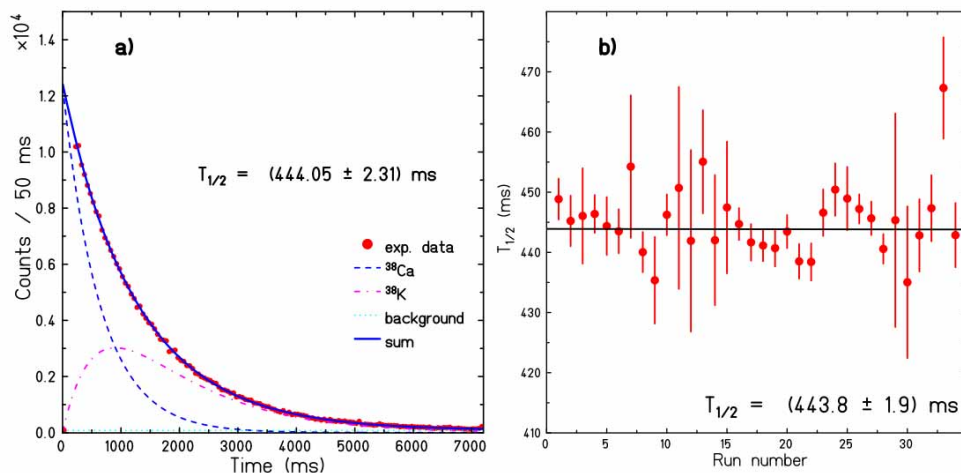
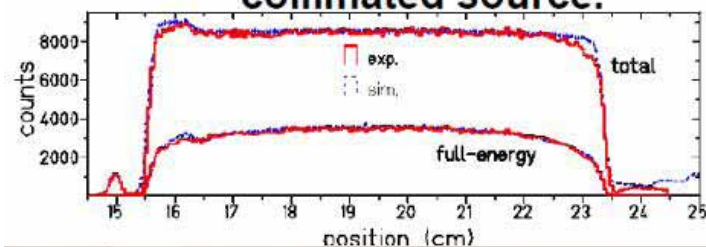
- Very well known efficiency

B. Blank et al., NIM A 776, 34 (2015)

calibration program:



• scan of the crystal with collimated source:



Contact: B. Blank, Bordeaux

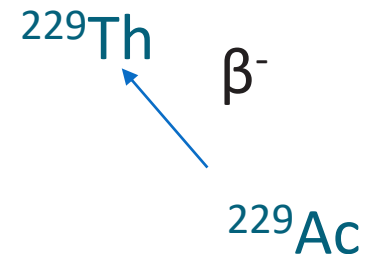
^{229}Th nuclear clock

Nuclear clock based on ^{229}mTh

Nucleus is more separated from environment:

- Expected to outperform present-day best clocks
- World-wide effort to create nuclear clock

BUT : Nuclear properties not known with high enough precision!

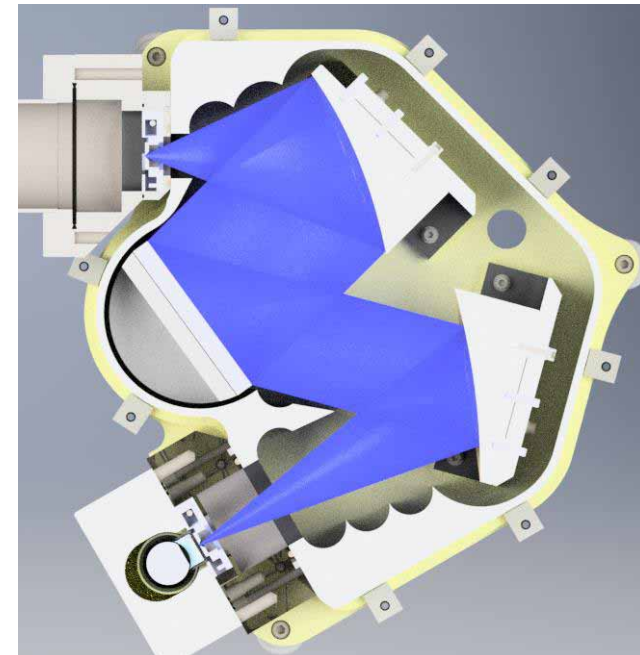
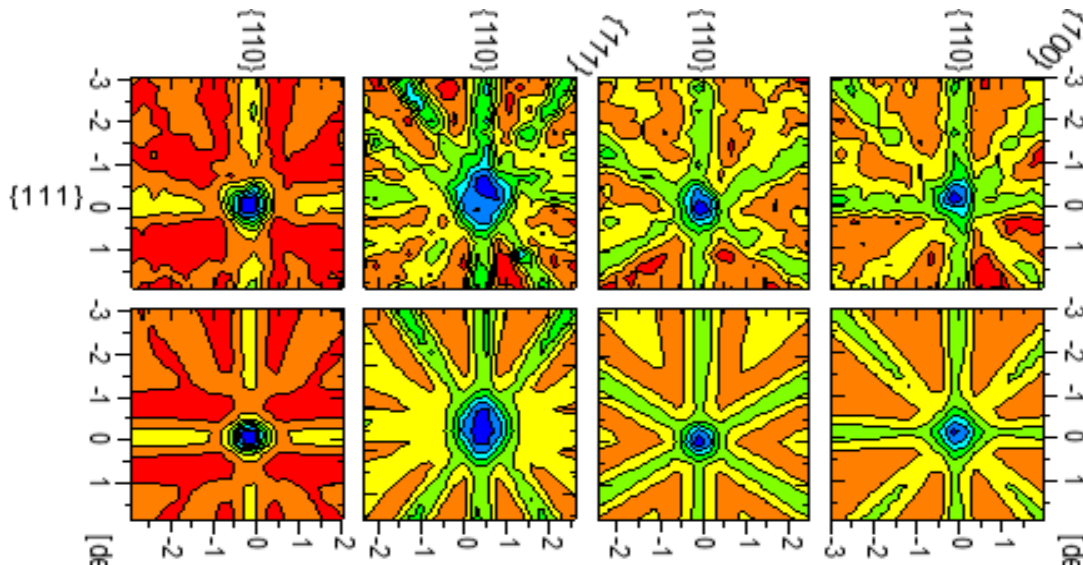


Goal:

- Create ^{229}Ac at ISOLDE, implant it in wide-bandgap CaF crystal at correct site (emission channeling measurement)
- Measure direct photon emission from $^{229}\text{mTh} \rightarrow ^{229}\text{Th}$ with high-resolution VUV photon spectrometer with $\Delta E < 0.1 \text{ nm}$
- prerequisite for direct laser excitation

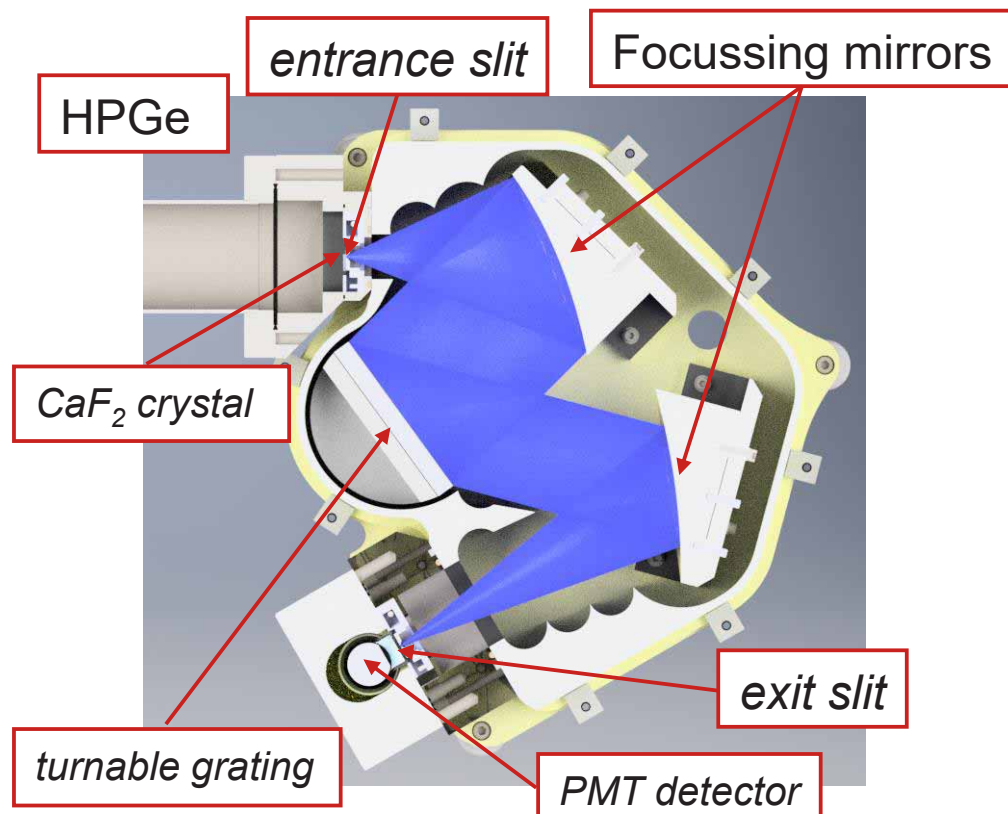
$$\Delta E = 1 \text{ nm} = 0.05 \text{ eV}$$

P. Van Duppen, S. Sels, KU Leuven



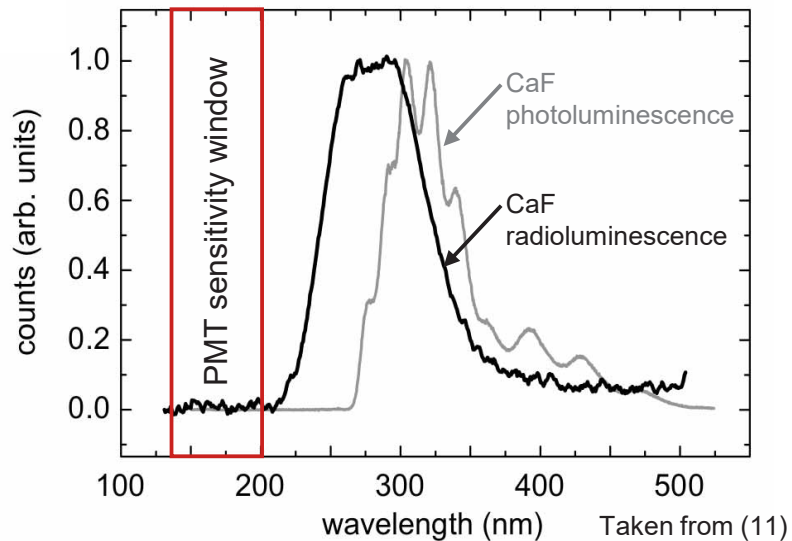
II. Spectroscopy of the Radiative Decay: Methodology

- Implantation into thin (50nm) CaF_2 crystal on Si backing (characterization at KU Leuven)
- Implantation time: 2 half-lives
- Transfer of crystal under vacuum to spectrometer
- Crystal positioned close to entrance slit of VUV spectrometer (design based on Resonance Ltd customized VM180)
- Activity monitoring using a Ge detector
- Simulation of signal strength and worst-case background contributions (see next slide)

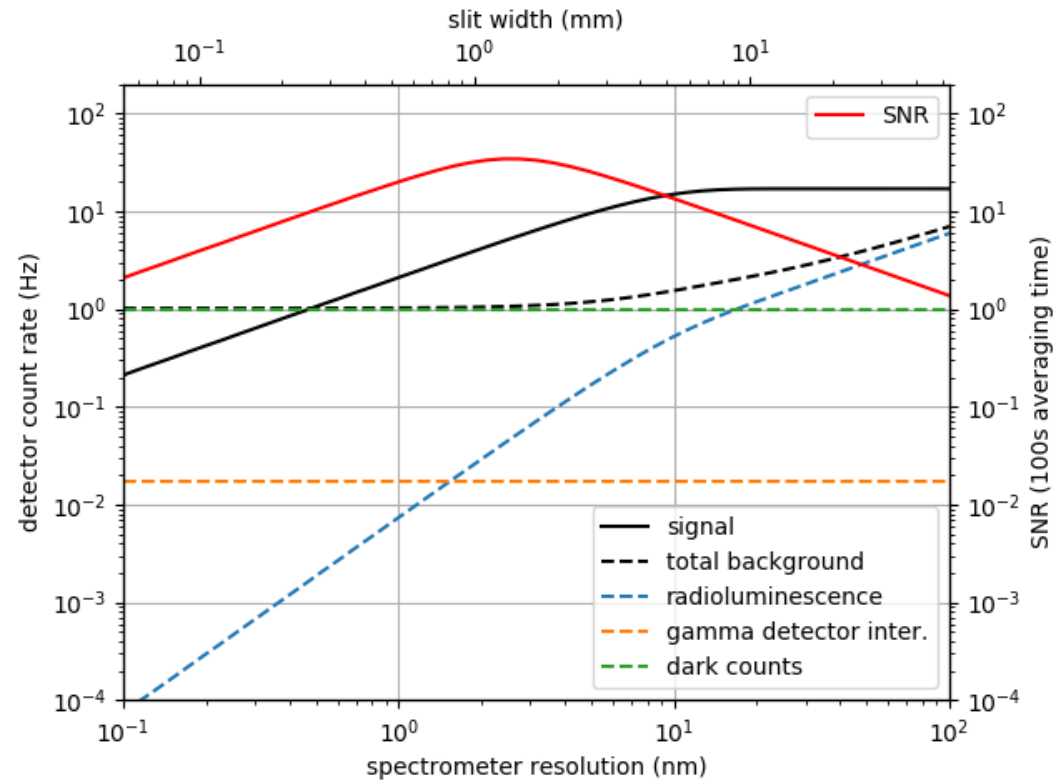


II. Spectroscopy of the Radiative Decay: Background

- Implantation of a 4 mm FWHM ion beam
- Scintillation properties in CaF_2
 α, β : from literature $\sim 1\%$ conversion
 γ : 100% conversion
- PMT sensitivity window
- Conservative estimates of
 - photon coll.+ det. efficiency: $> 0.01\%$
 - substitutional lattice position: 50%
 - isomer feeding: 14%



Signal (counts/sec.) and background contributions for $3h$ measurement at 10^6 pps implantation (2 h) and $2h$ isomer half-life:



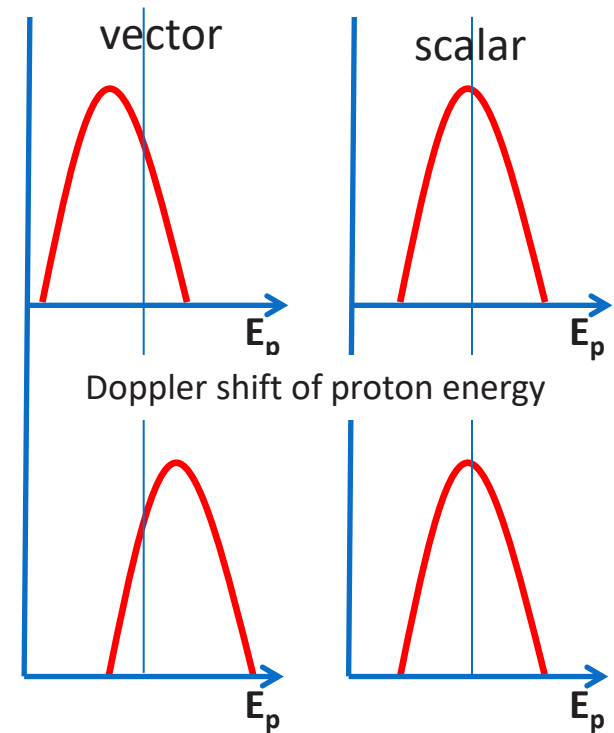
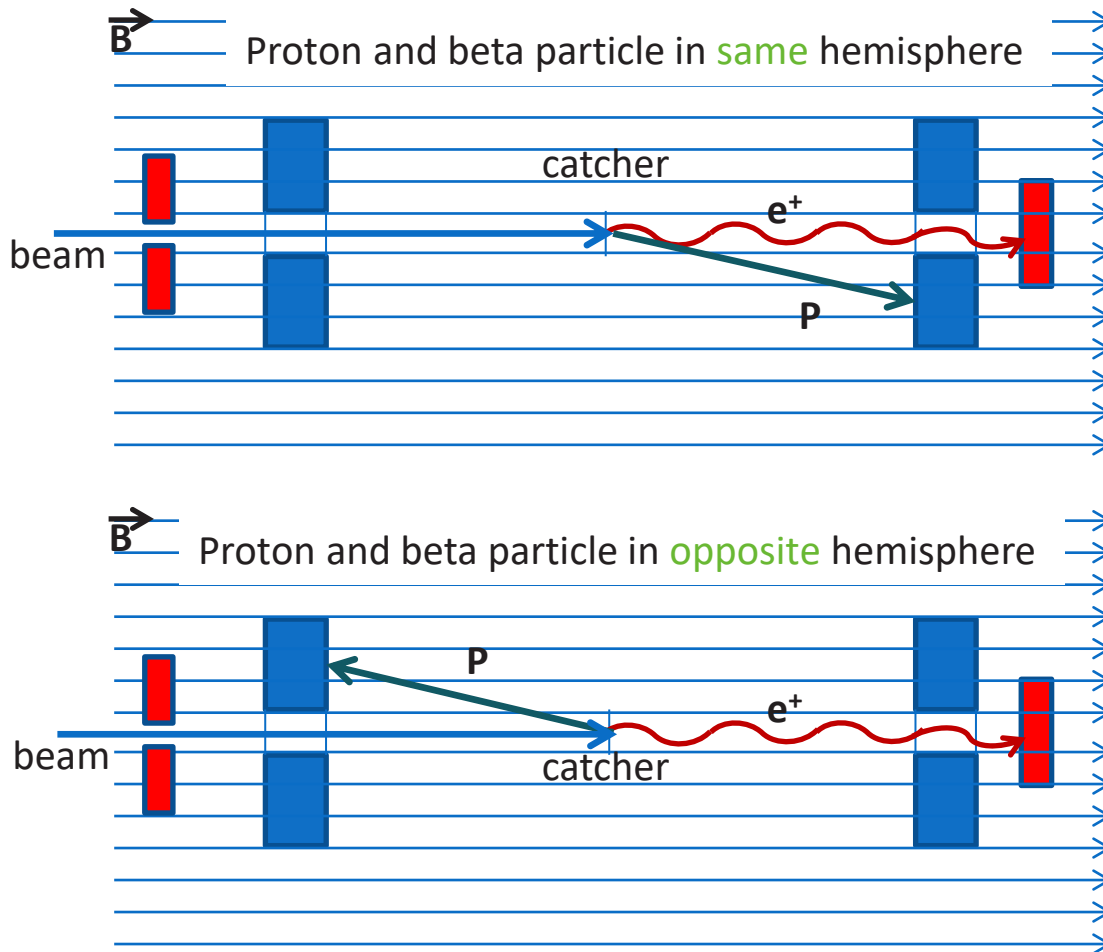
WISARD

Contact: B. Blank, Bordeaux



^{32}Ar at WISARD

Weak Interaction Studies with ^{32}Ar Decay:
e⁺-p coincidence in B field



WISARD

Proof of Principle Detection Setup

Beta detector*
+
SiPM

proton
detectors
planes**

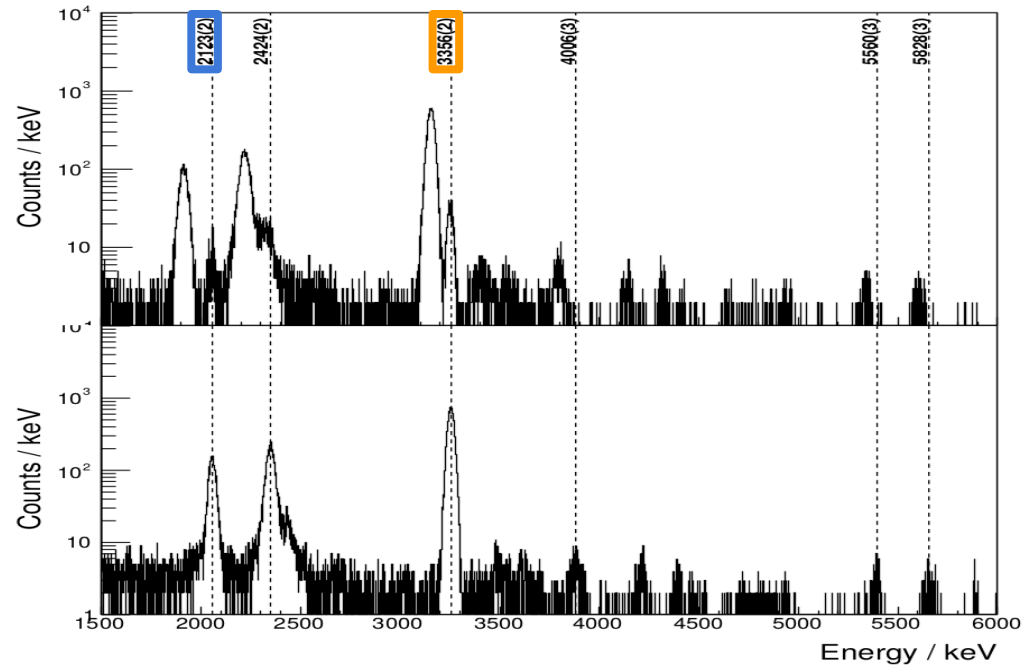
Catcher***



- * Plastic scintillator;
- ** Silicon surface-barrier (thickness = 300 μm);
- *** Aluminized Mylar (thickness = 6.7 μm)

Upper detectors

- Proton energies shifted due to Catcher thickness



Lower detectors

- Energy shifts observed in all detectors due to the dead layer

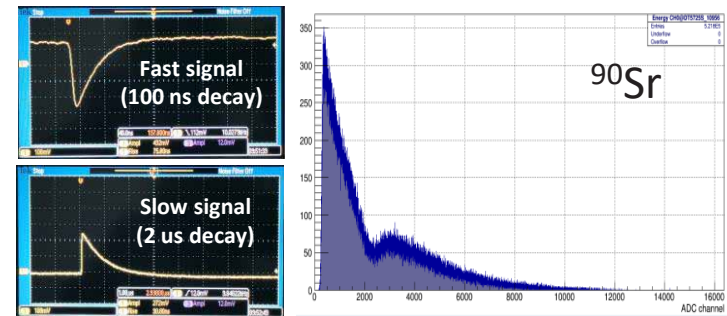
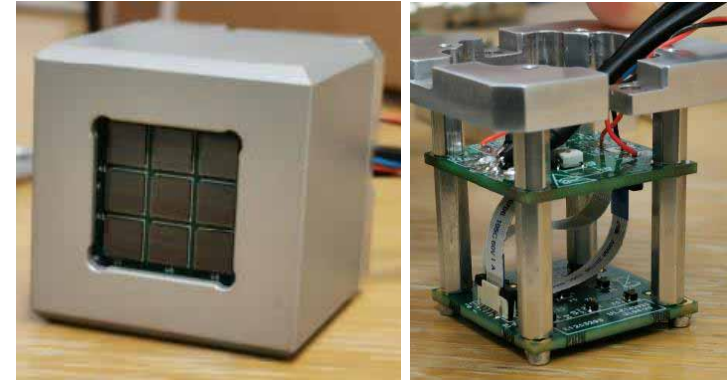
ISOLDE tape station

Detectors at ISOLDE tape-station

- **Beam instrumentation and low level control:**
 - Tape control and counter readout tested (on FESA level)
 - Beam scanner to be installed by BE-BI
- **Beta detectors:**
 - 2 prototypes (3x3 SiPM array) tested at CERN, noise at tapestation position is absent, ready for production. Same design can be used for all the positions.
 - Updating drawings and producing new parts, collaboration with SY-STI-TCD.
- **HPGe detector:**
 - Preliminary tests at GSI show a fully recovered resolution, however noise from cooling system was identified and currently addressed.
- **Data acquisition:**
 - CAEN DT5725 purchased, all-in-one solution
- **Top level Controls (GUI)**
 - Basic version by BE-OP (Java)
 - Expert interface via STI-RBS (tbd)
- **Future**
 - Final tests to be performed by March with all detectors in place
 - Once TS1 ready launching TS2 installation

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IFIN-HH 3x3 SiPM array

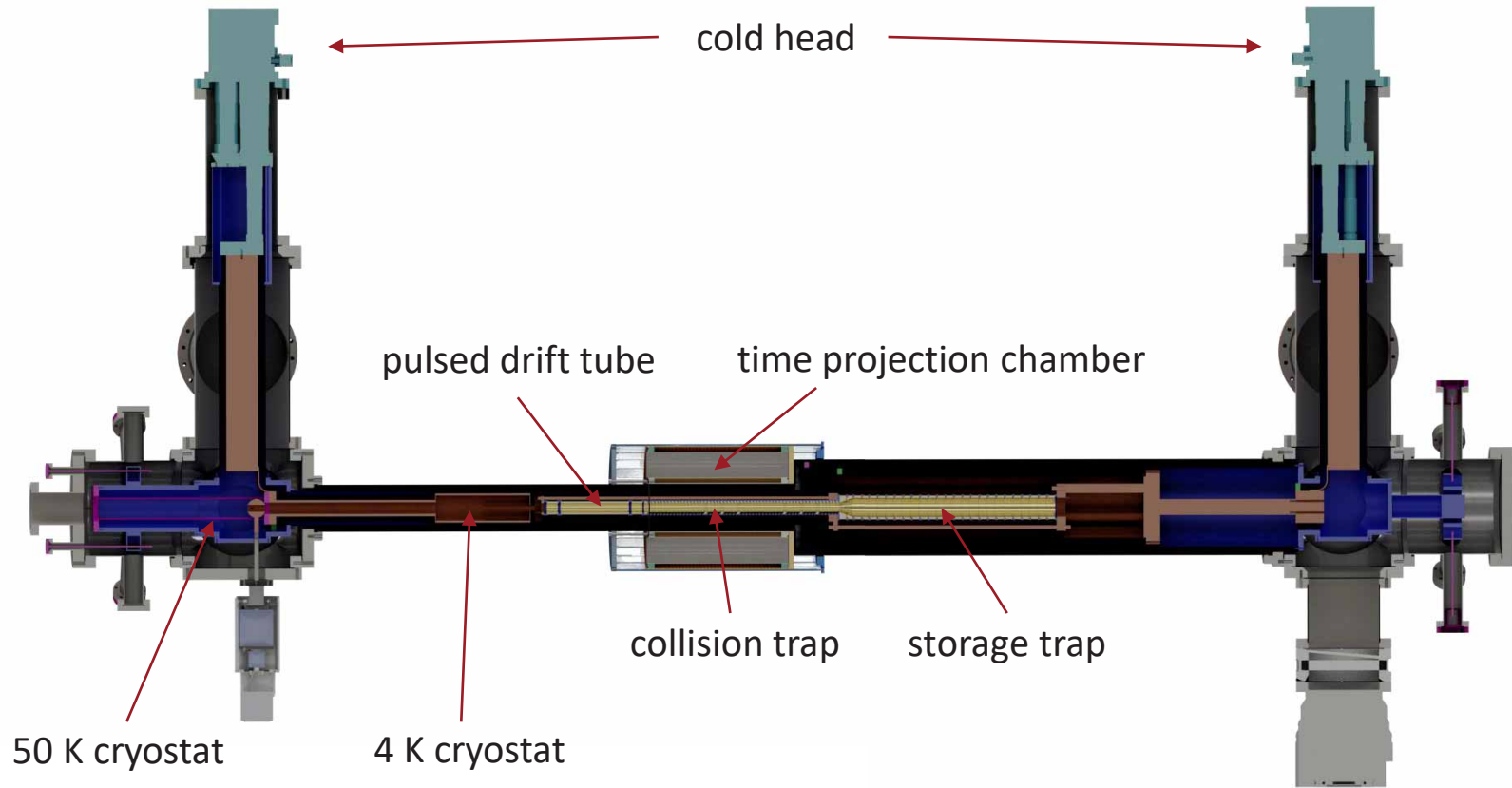


Old Tapestation HPGe detector



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PUMA cyostat



PUMA traps and detectors

