



ARUNA- Association for Research at University Nuclear Accelerators

An Association of

Florida State University Accelerator Lab

Hope College Ion Beam Laboratory

Ohio University Accelerator Lab

Texas A&M Cyclotron Lab

TUNL Triangle Universities Nuclear Lab

(Duke, University of N.Carolina, N.Carolina State U.)

Union College Ion Beam Analysis Laboratory

University of Kentucky Accelerator Lab

University of Mass. (Lowell), Radiation Lab

University of Notre Dame, ISNAP

University of Washington, CENPA

An Organization of the users

at these non-user labs.

today: 176 registered users

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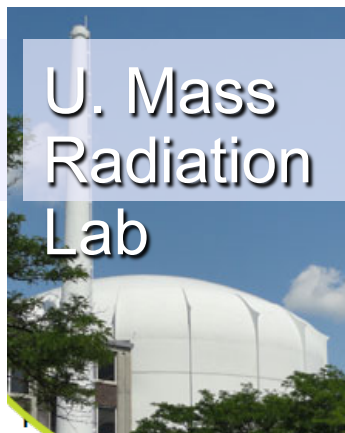
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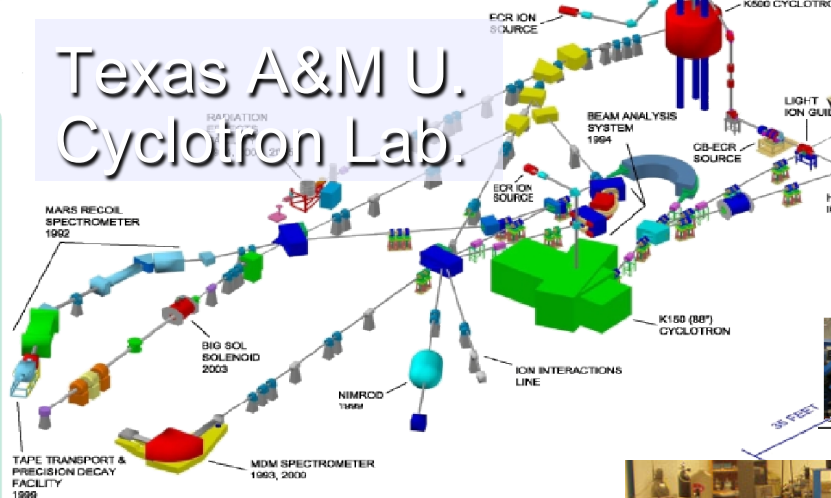
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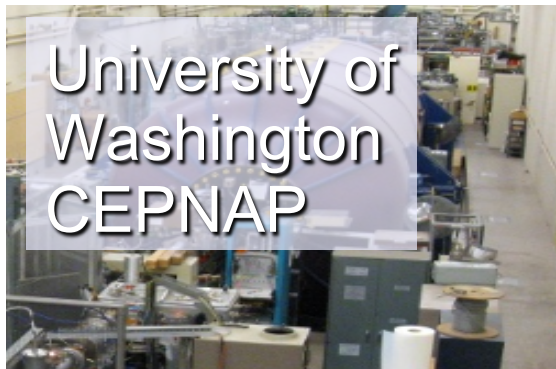
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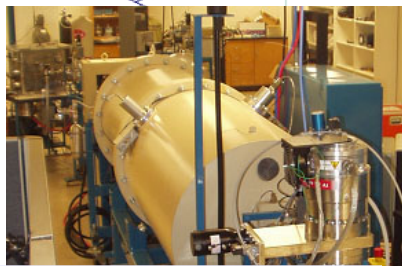
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ISNAP facilities



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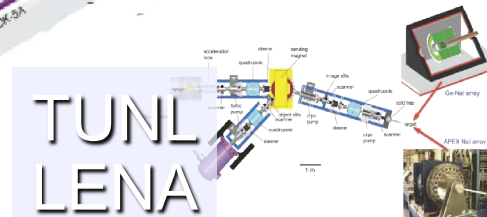
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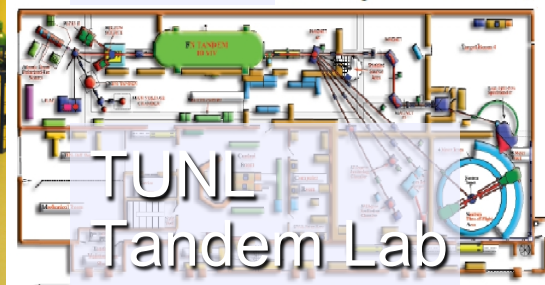
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ARUNA Whitepaper Workshop

June 12-13, 2014
University of Notre Dame



59 Registered Participants from 20 Institutions
7 Sessions on

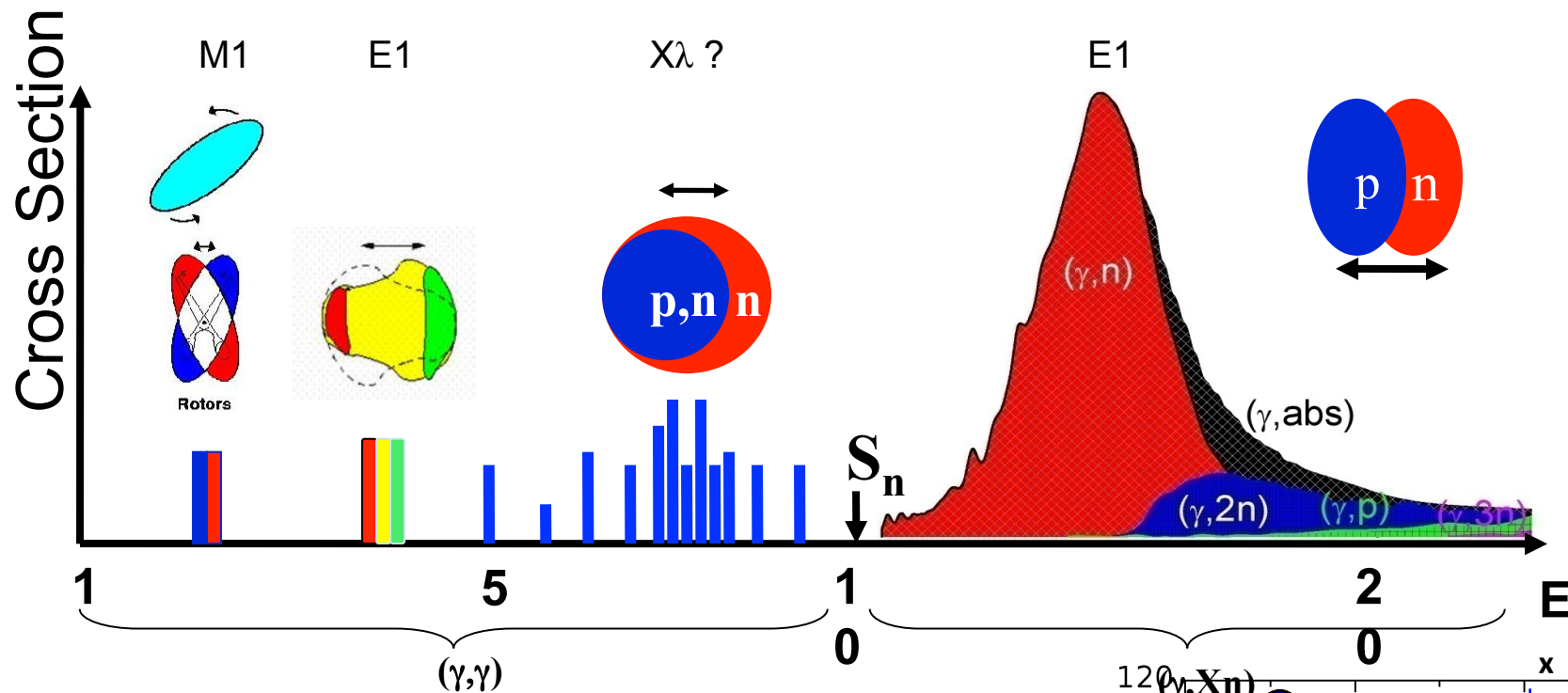
- Operations, Capabilities and Future Plans (see Facilities)
- Nuclear Structure and Reactions (Wiedenhoefer)
- Nuclear Astrophysics (Brune)
- Fundamental Symmetries, (Garcia)
- Applications (Couder, Peaslee)
- Education and Workforce development (Yennello)



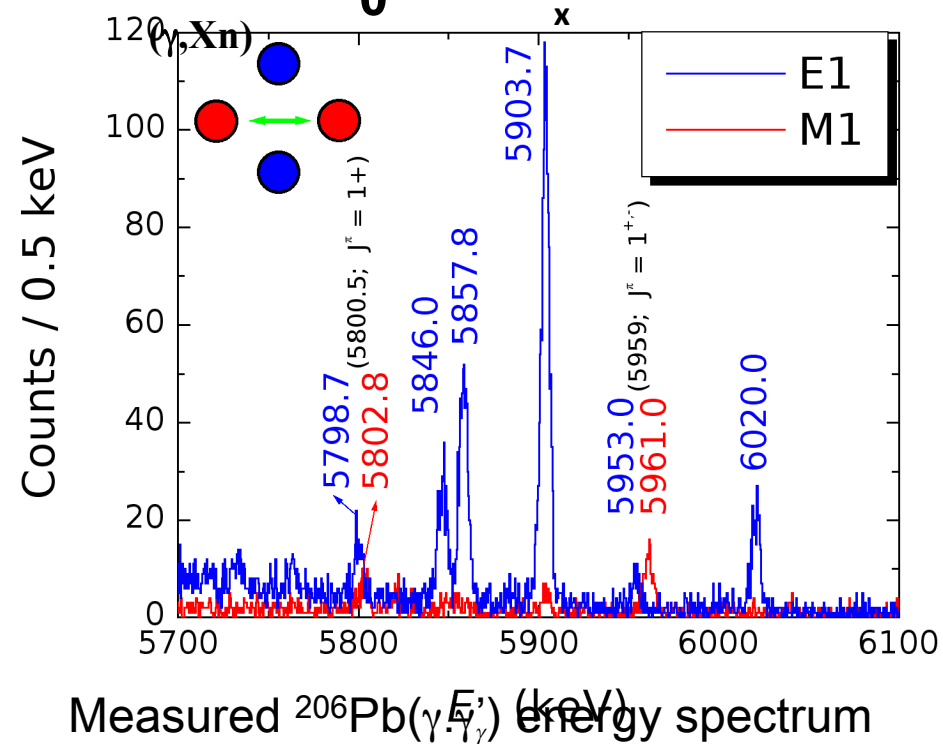
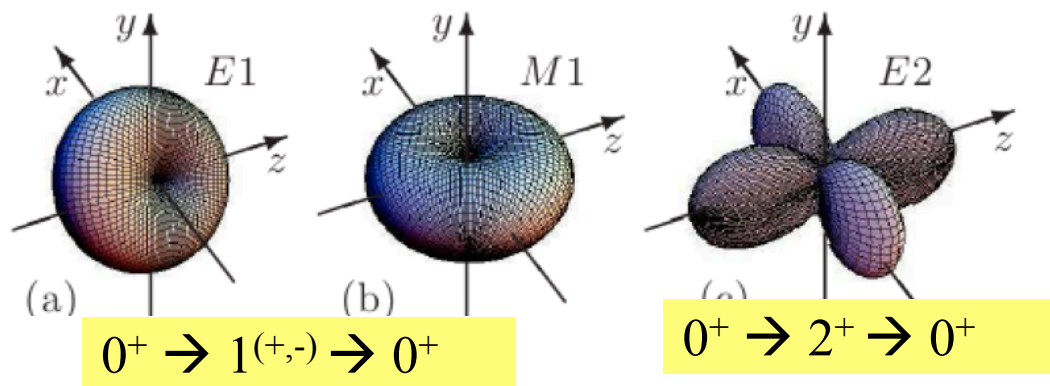
Nuclear Structure and Reactions: Programs

- **Structure of exotic nuclei:**
RIB and scattering, transfer (Texas A&M, FSU, UND),
SIB and gamma-spectroscopy (FSU)
- **Collective excitations**
Gamma-beams (TUNL-HIGS)
Neutron-beams (UKAL)
- **Structure for $(0\nu\beta\beta)$ decay** (UKAL, TUNL-HIGS)
- **Equation of State:**
Symmetry energy and density-dependence EOS (Texas A&M)
- **Statistical Nuclear Physics:** Light-ion reactions (Ohio U)
- **Super-heavy elements:**
Surrogate reactions, Online chemistry (Texas A&M)
- **Surrogates for $(n, \text{fission})$** (URichmond@Texas A&M)

Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence (NRF) with Linearly Polarized Gamma-rays Enable Unambiguous Distinction between E1 and M1 Excitations



Dipole and Quadrupole Excitations



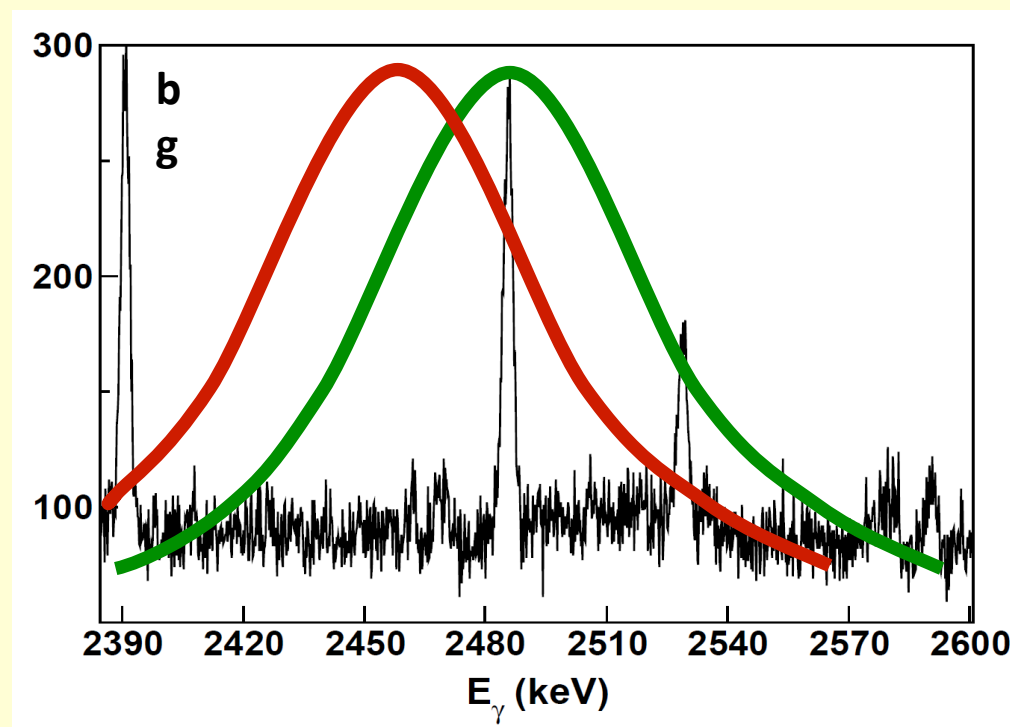
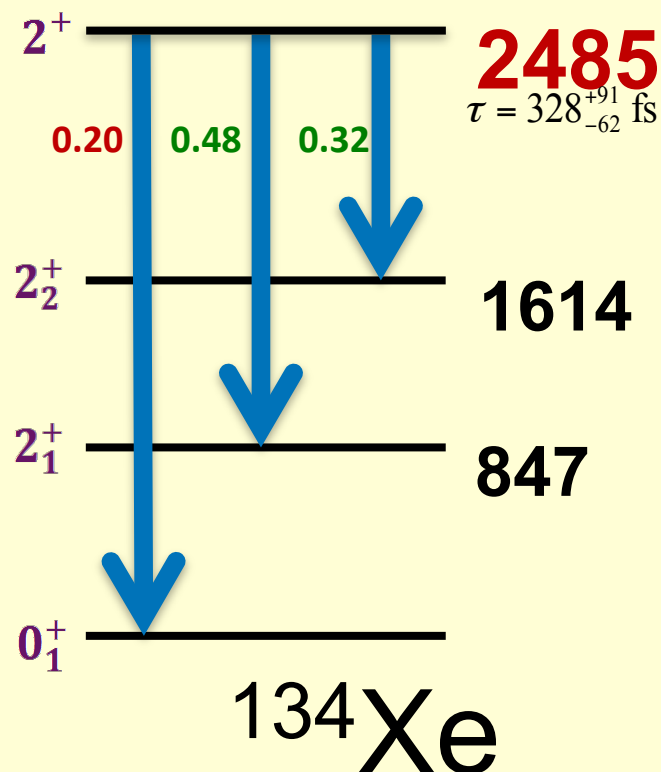
Nuclear Structure Studies for neutrinoless double beta-decay

EXO Enriched
Xenon
Observatory

EXO-200: 200 kg of Xe
80.6% ^{136}Xe , 19.4% ^{134}Xe

Study with mono-energetic Neutrons,
Solid XeF2 samples of ^{130}Xe , ^{132}Xe , ^{134}Xe , ^{136}Xe
of **multi-phonon excitations**, p-n **mixed symmetry states**

**Quantifying the (n, γ)- induced
background for EXO**

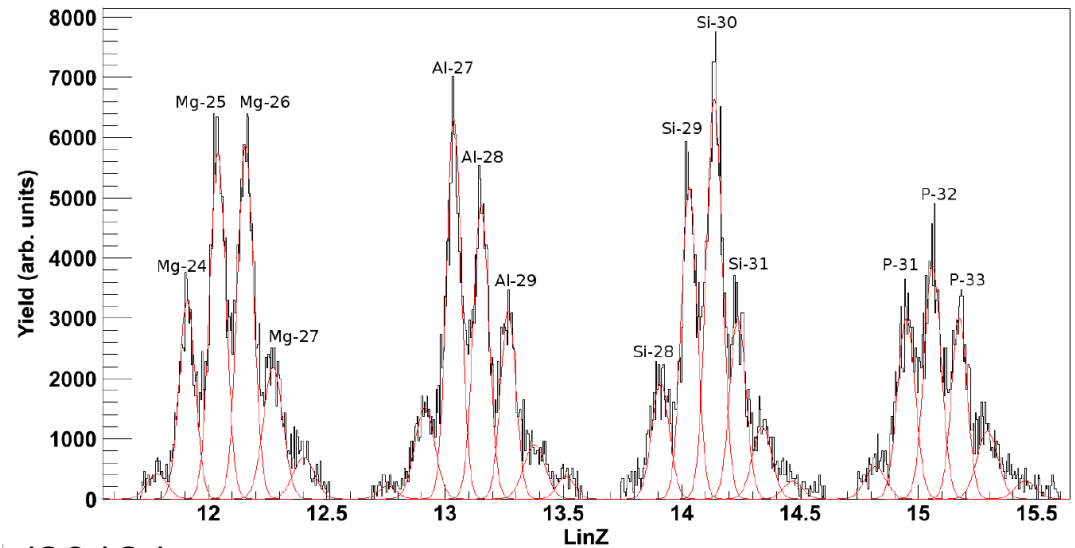
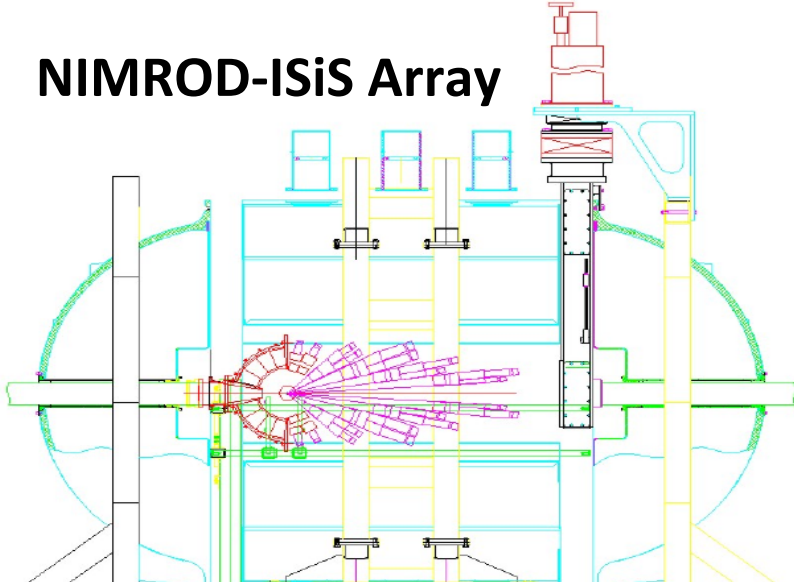


$0\nu\beta\beta$ Q-value: 2458 keV
EXO-response to 2485 keV

Nuclear Dynamics and Thermodynamics

J.B. Natowitz & S.J Yennello

NIMROD-ISiS Array

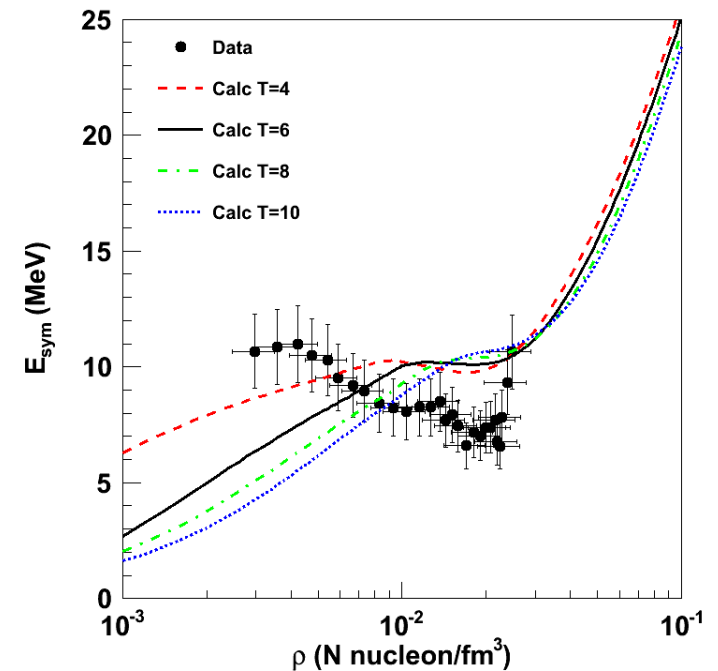


R. Wada et al. Phys. Rev. C 85, 064618 (2012)

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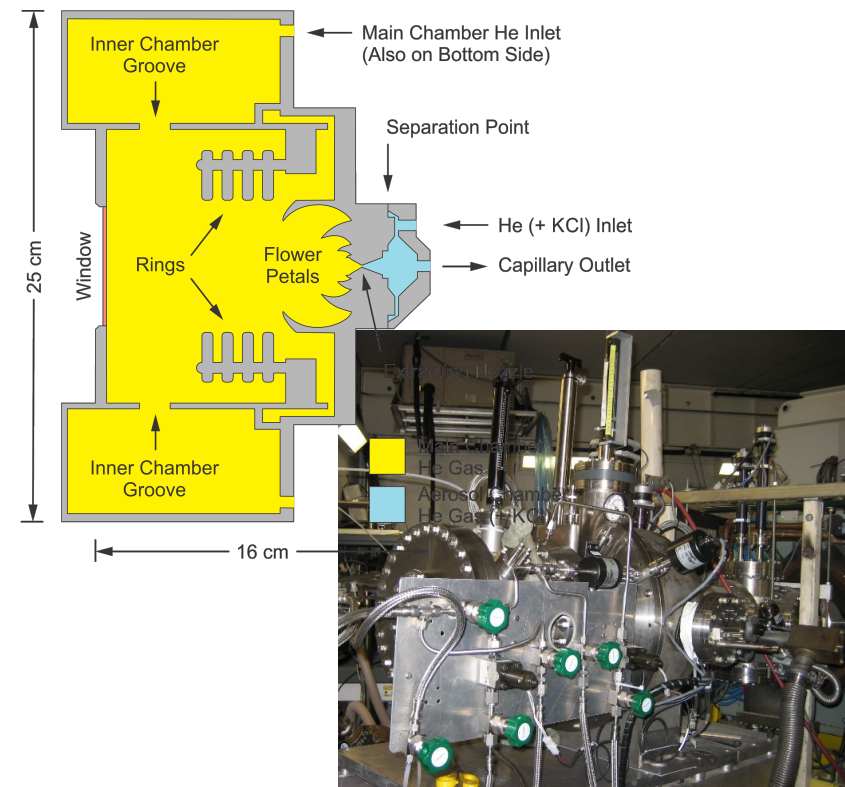
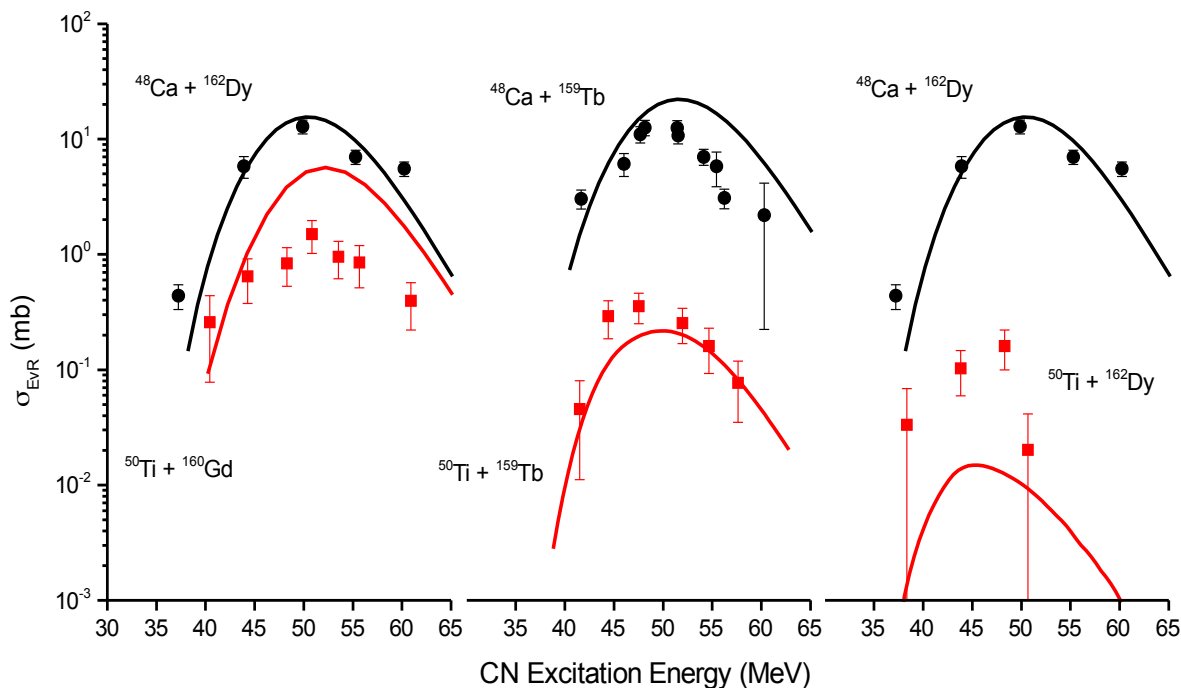
Analysis of Cluster Yield Ratios: For Different N/Z Systems:

At **low density**, the symmetry energy is determined by **cluster formation**



Heavy Element Reaction Studies at the Cyclotron Institute

- Study analogue reactions for SH synthesis:
- Substantially reduced cross sections are observed for ^{45}Sc and ^{50}Ti compared to ^{48}Ca :
Production of $A > 118$ will be difficult (10-50 nb)
- Recent development: **On-line chemistry** setup at MARS





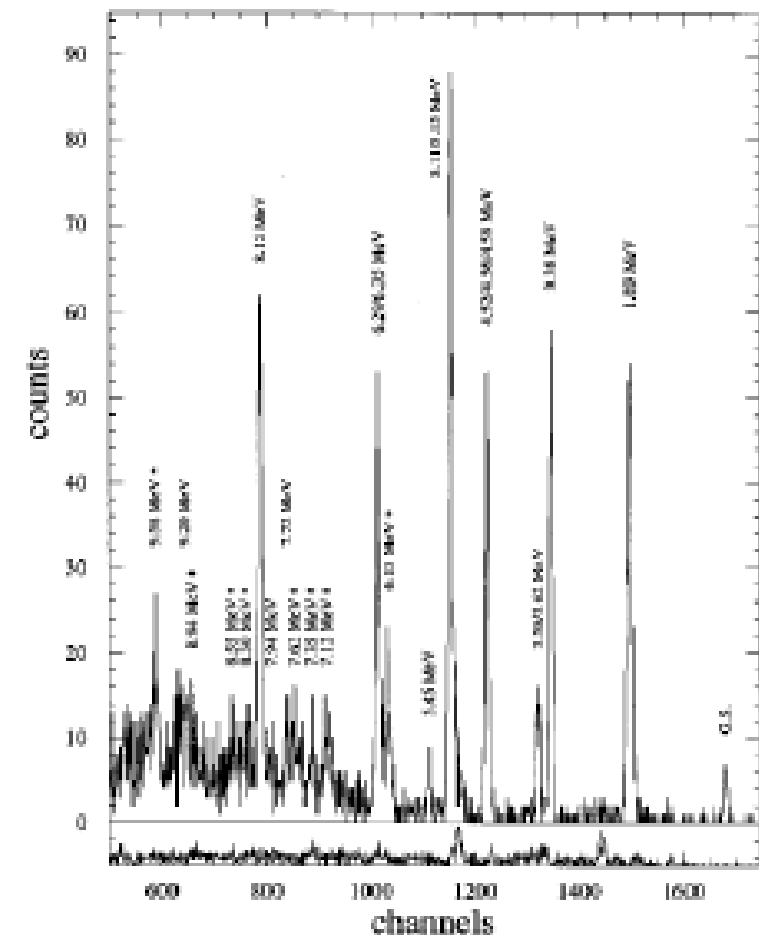
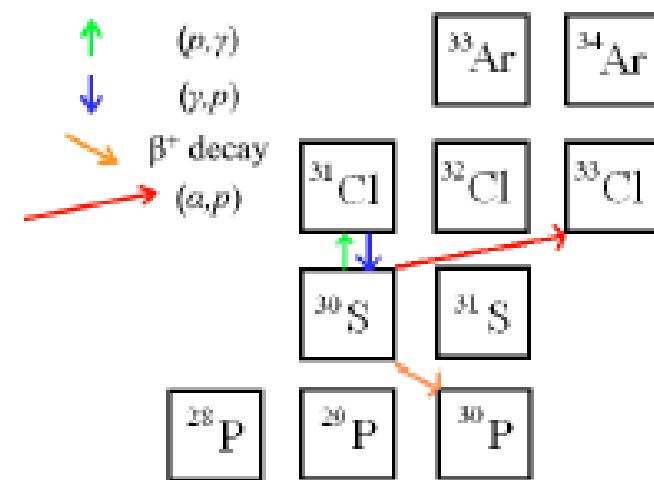
Nuclear Astrophysics Programs

- **P and α -resonance spectroscopy for explosive nucleosynthesis,**
high-res Spectrographs (TUNL-Tandem, LSU@FSU)
(new initiatives)
high-res n-spectroscopy (Ohio U)
surrogate transfer and direct measurements
with RIB (FSU,UND)
- **Direct cross sections measurements of**
(p, γ) and (α , γ) , (α ,n)
solar v-sources, n-sources, CNO-cycle,
Helium and C-burning
(TUNL-LENA, UND:St.Ana, UND:Caspar)
Measurement of $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma,\alpha)^{12}\text{C}$ (TUNL-HiGS)

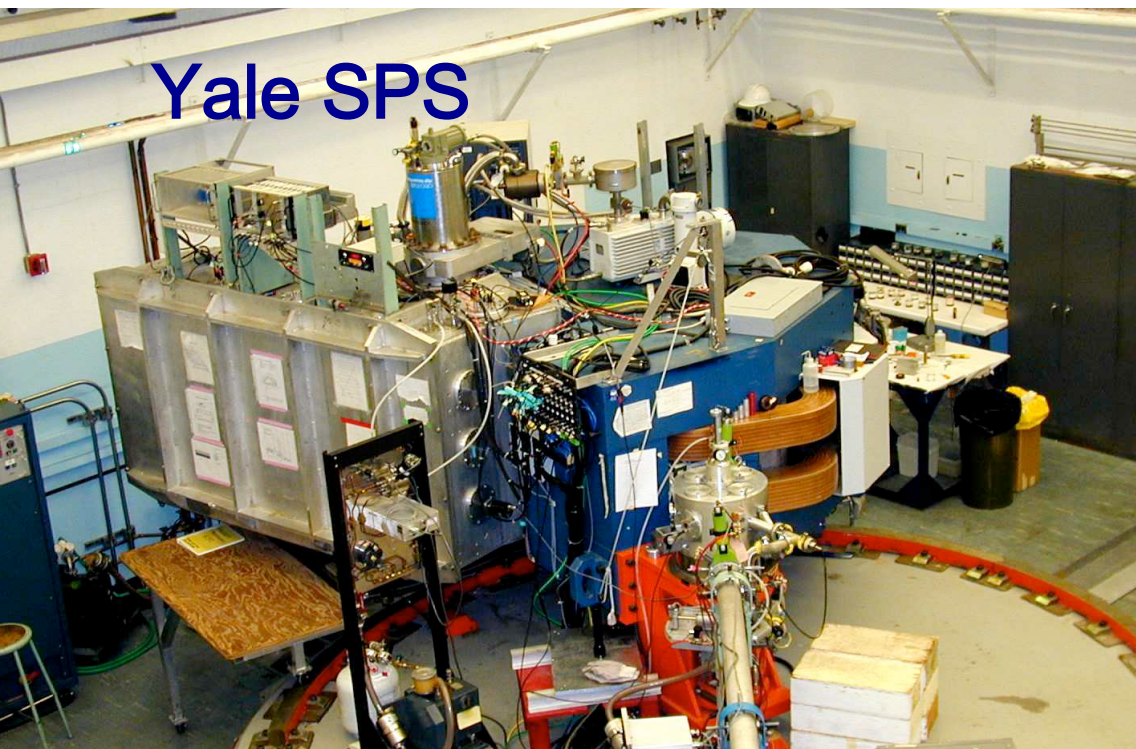
(Also: Following talk by C. Brune)

X-Ray Bursts: αp process

- Indirect studies of level structure of compound nuclei in (α, p) reactions on waiting point nuclei (^{26}Si , ^{30}S , ^{34}Ar , ^{38}Ca)
- Recent studies of (p, t) and $(^3\text{He}, n)$ reactions find new states in Gamow window
 - $2n$ transfer highly selective
 - multiple states seen in mirror nuclei are not accounted for
- Complimentary information needed
 - $(^{12}\text{C}, ^6\text{He})$ reaction less selective
 - determination new ^{21}Ne states with resolution of ~ 20 keV with Yale Enge SPS
 - K.I. Hahn *et al.*, PRC **54**, 1999 (1996)



Two high-resolution spectrographs at ARUNA

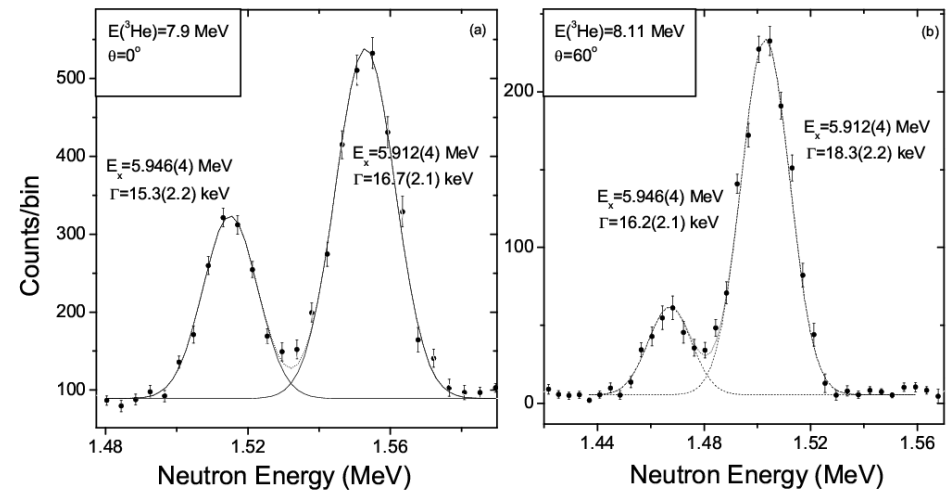
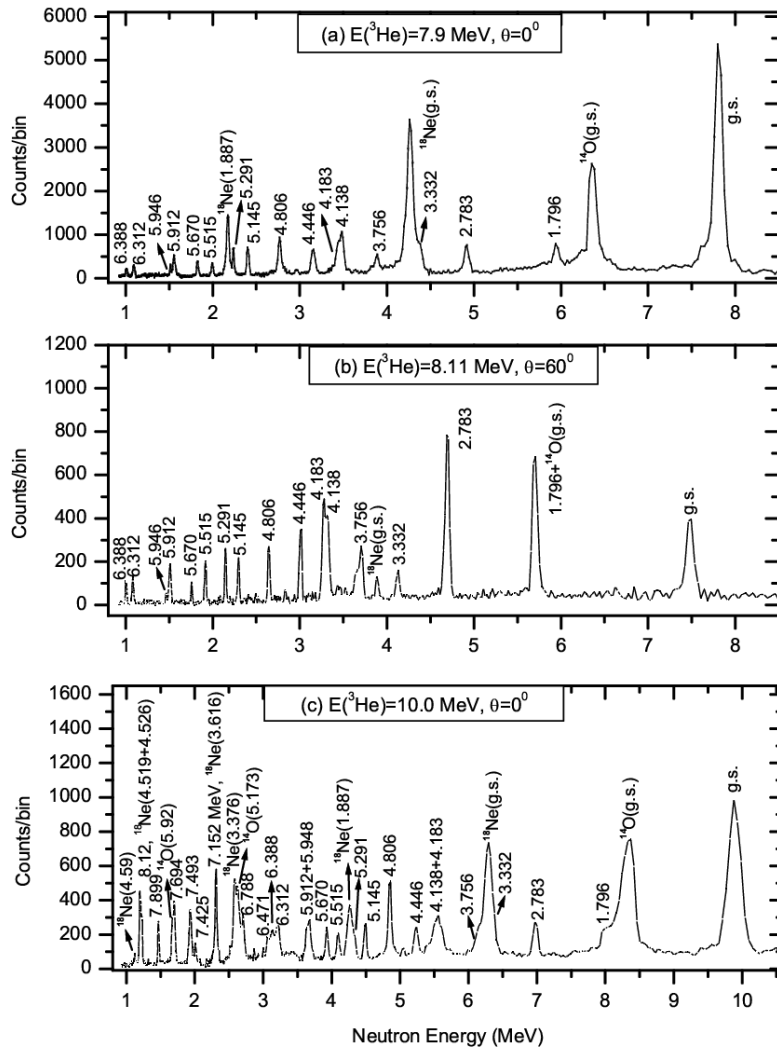


The (ex-Yale) Enge Split-Pole Spectrograph has been relocated to FSU. (NSF-MRI) (Deibel / Blackmon / Wiedenhoefer / Cottle) Commissioning: 2016

The TUNL SPS will be re-commissioned shortly
(R. Longland)

Ohio University: Neutron Energy Spectra (Y. Parpottas)

full spectra



Key Result

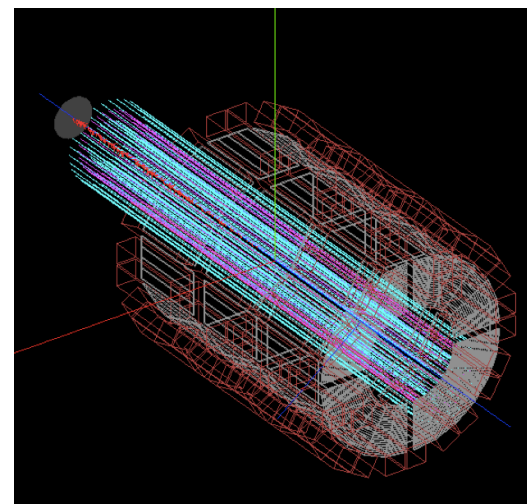
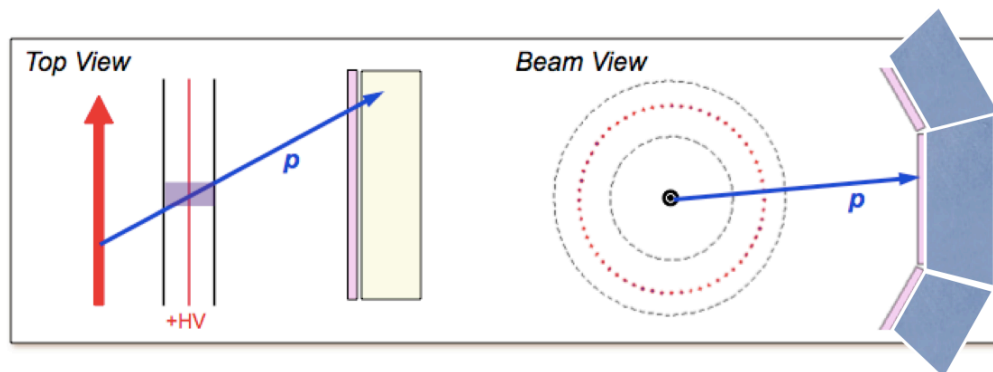
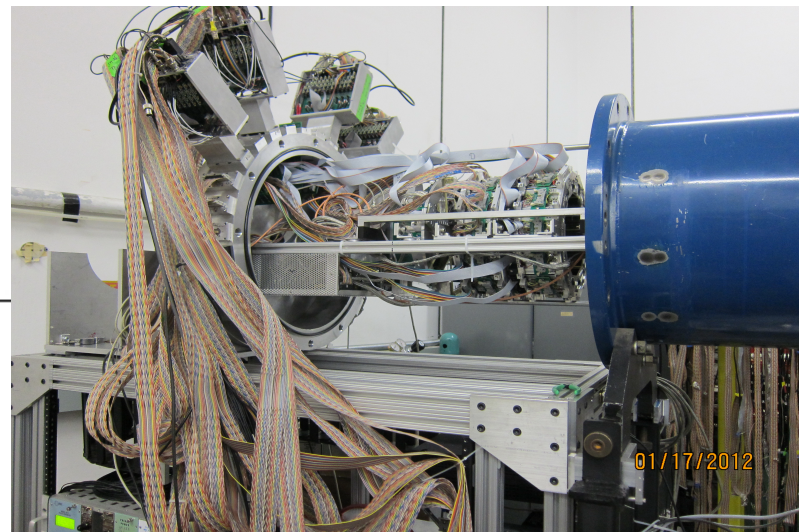
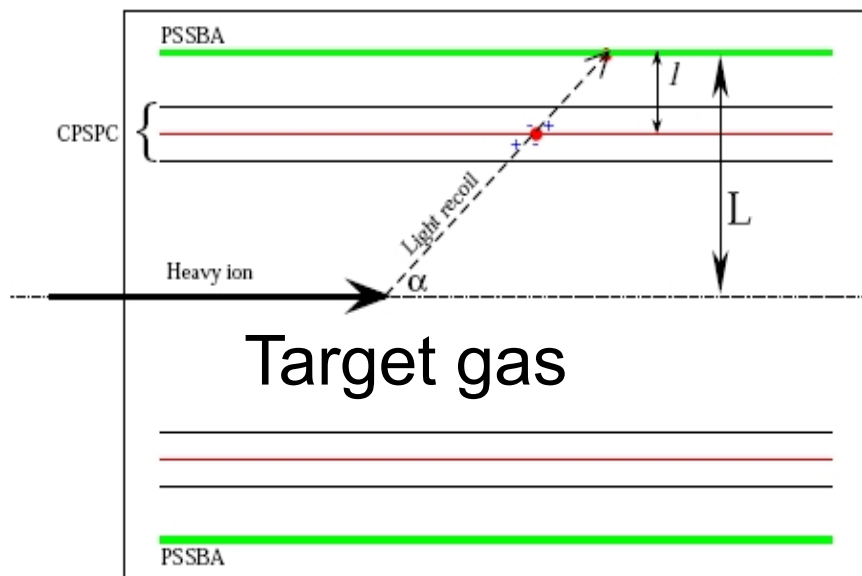
Mirror nucleus leads us to expect 3^+ and 0^+ in this region.



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

ANASEN @ FSU / MSU(ReA3)

Array for Nuclear Astrophysics Studies with Exotic Nuclei

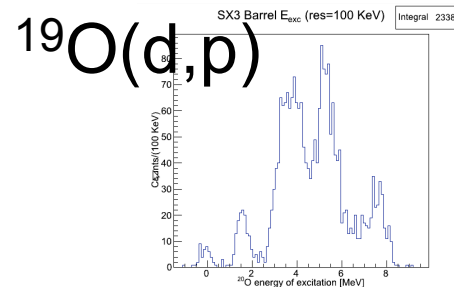
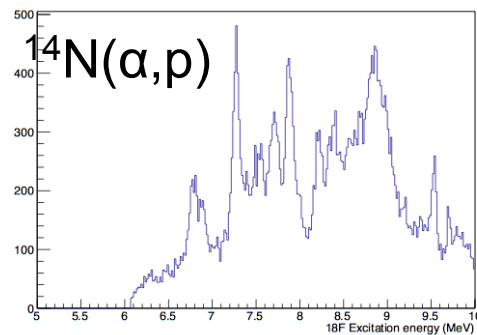
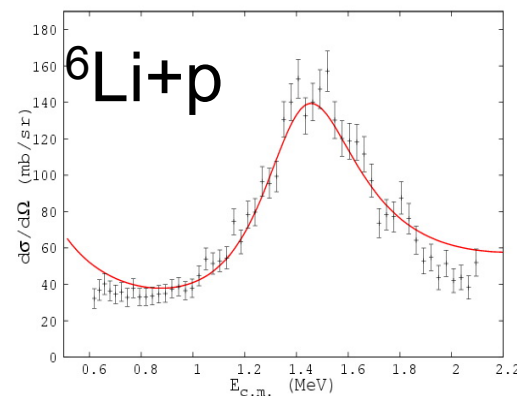




ANASEN is designed to perform astrophysically relevant measurements with r/a beams:

- Resonance scattering to identify and characterize astrophysically important resonances
- Direct measurements of (α, p) reactions involved in (α, p) process
- Nucleon transfer reactions to determine properties of astrophysically relevant states

Results of the test runs

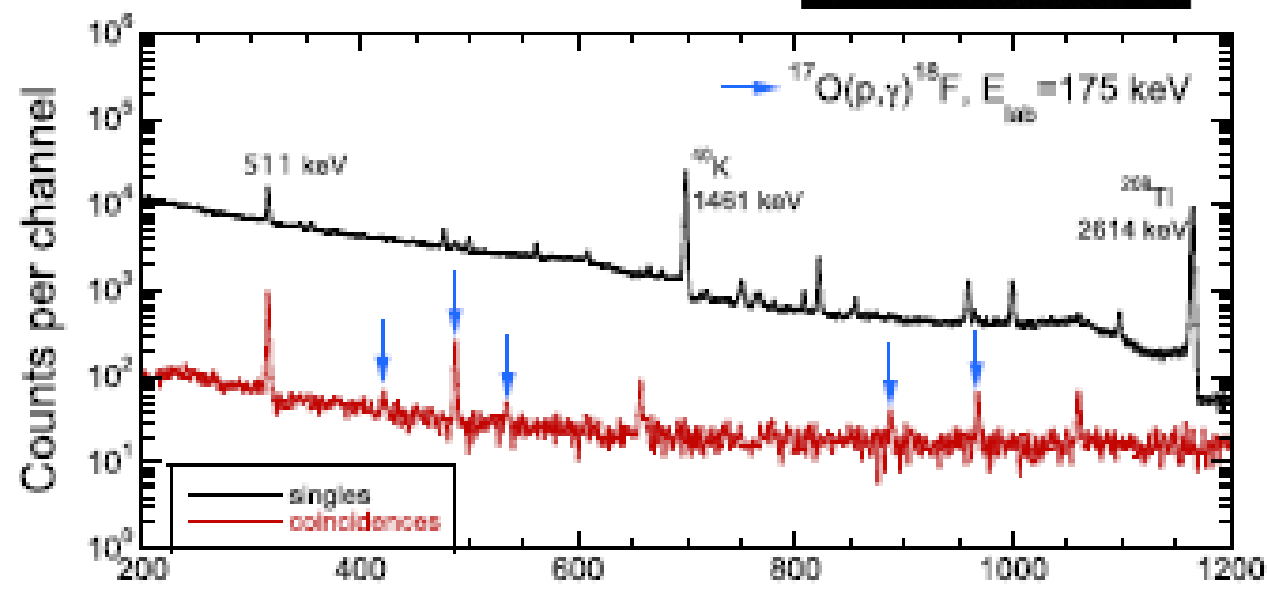
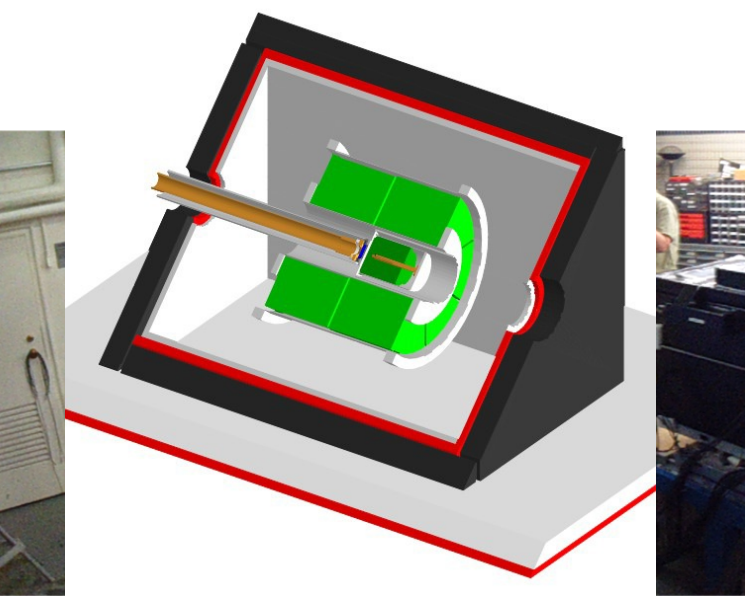
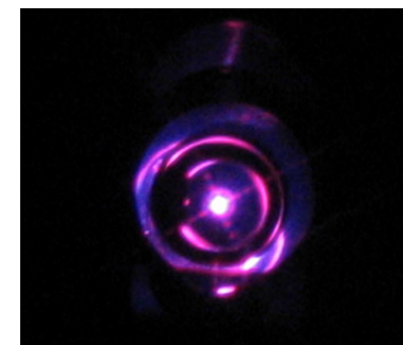
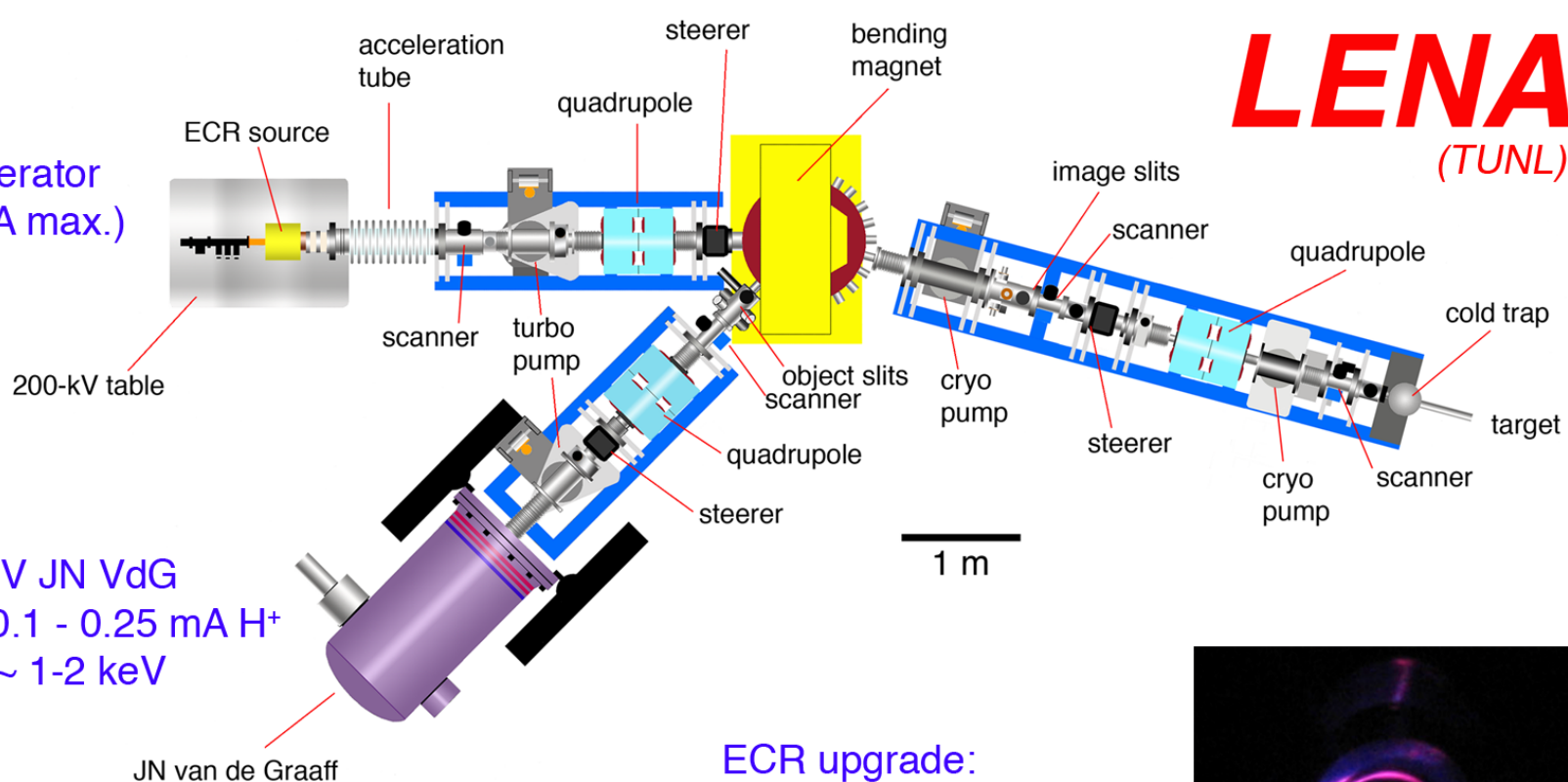


LENA (TUNL)

200-kV ECR accelerator
 $I > 1 \text{ mA H}^+$ (1.6 mA max.)
 $\Delta E < 800 \text{ eV}$

1-MV JN VdG
 $I = 0.1 - 0.25 \text{ mA H}^+$
 $\Delta E \sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ keV}$

ECR upgrade:
 $I_{DC} > 10 \text{ mA}$
 pulsed at 10% duty cycle
 (in progress)

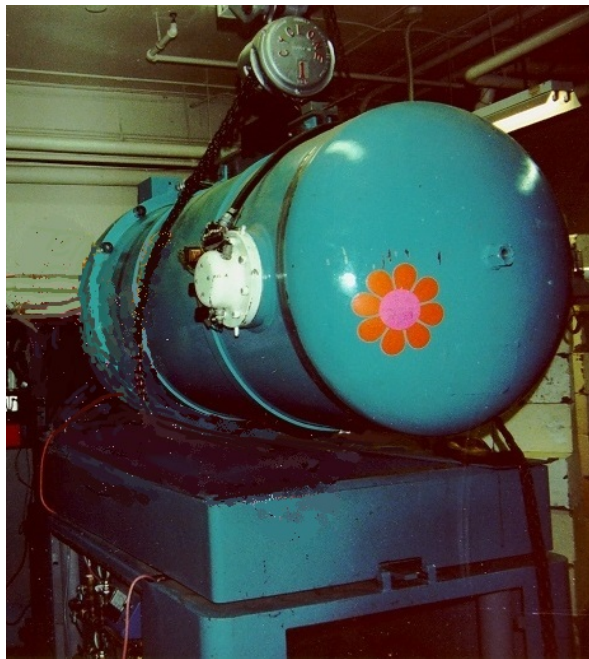




Experimental complementarity with forward and inverse kinematics

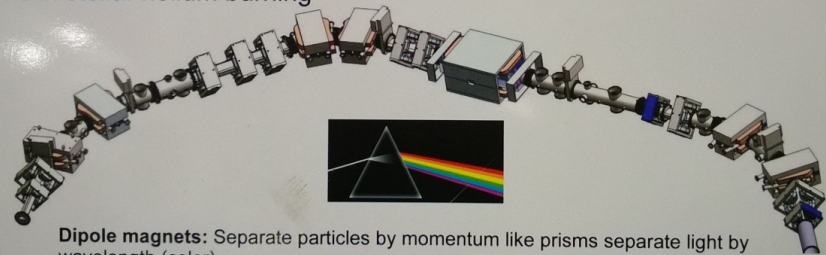
Light ion on heavy target with measurement of light reaction products, limited by solid angle and detection efficiency.

Heavy ion on light target with measurement of heavy ion recoil yield, limited by initial beam intensity and acceptance of recoil separator



St. George
Strong Gradient Electro-magnetic Online Recoil separator for capture Gamma ray Experiments

Installed: 2011
Components: Supersonic helium jet gas target, velocity filter, 6 dipole magnets, 11 quadrupole magnets and a detection system that identifies particles using time of flight and position sensitive silicon detectors
Goal: Measure the low energy cross sections (probabilities) of alpha capture reactions in stellar helium burning



Dipole magnets: Separate particles by momentum like prisms separate light by wavelength (color)
Velocity/mass filter: Separate beam from reaction products
Quadrupole magnets: Focus the beam like lenses focus light
Overall separation process: Pick out 1 particle in a quadrillion (10^{15}) particles

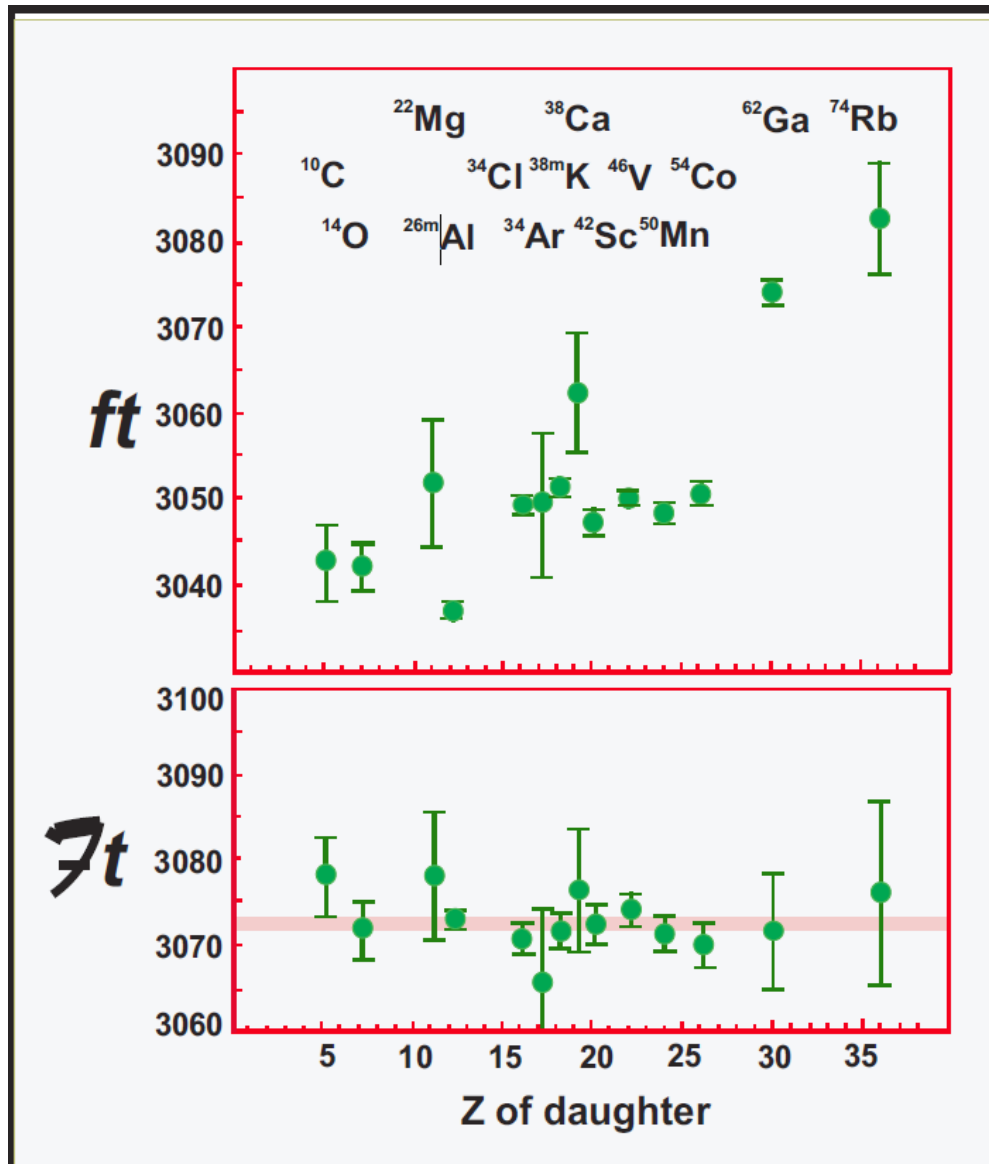
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Fundamental Symmetry Studies

- **Superaligned beta-decay** matrix elements
CKM unitarity (Texas A&M)
- **Search for Scalar Currents in T=2 β -decay**
Melocian (Texas A&M)
- **Search for Tensor Currents**
6He trap spectroscopy (ANL@UWashington)
Electrostatic Ion Beam Trap (EIBT) Berkeley

Texas A&M (and Jyvaskyla): measurements of lifetimes, Q -values, branches and isospin-breaking calculations have determined V_{ud} and verified CVC.



• CVC verified

• $V_{ud} = 0.97417(21)$

CKM unitarity
test:

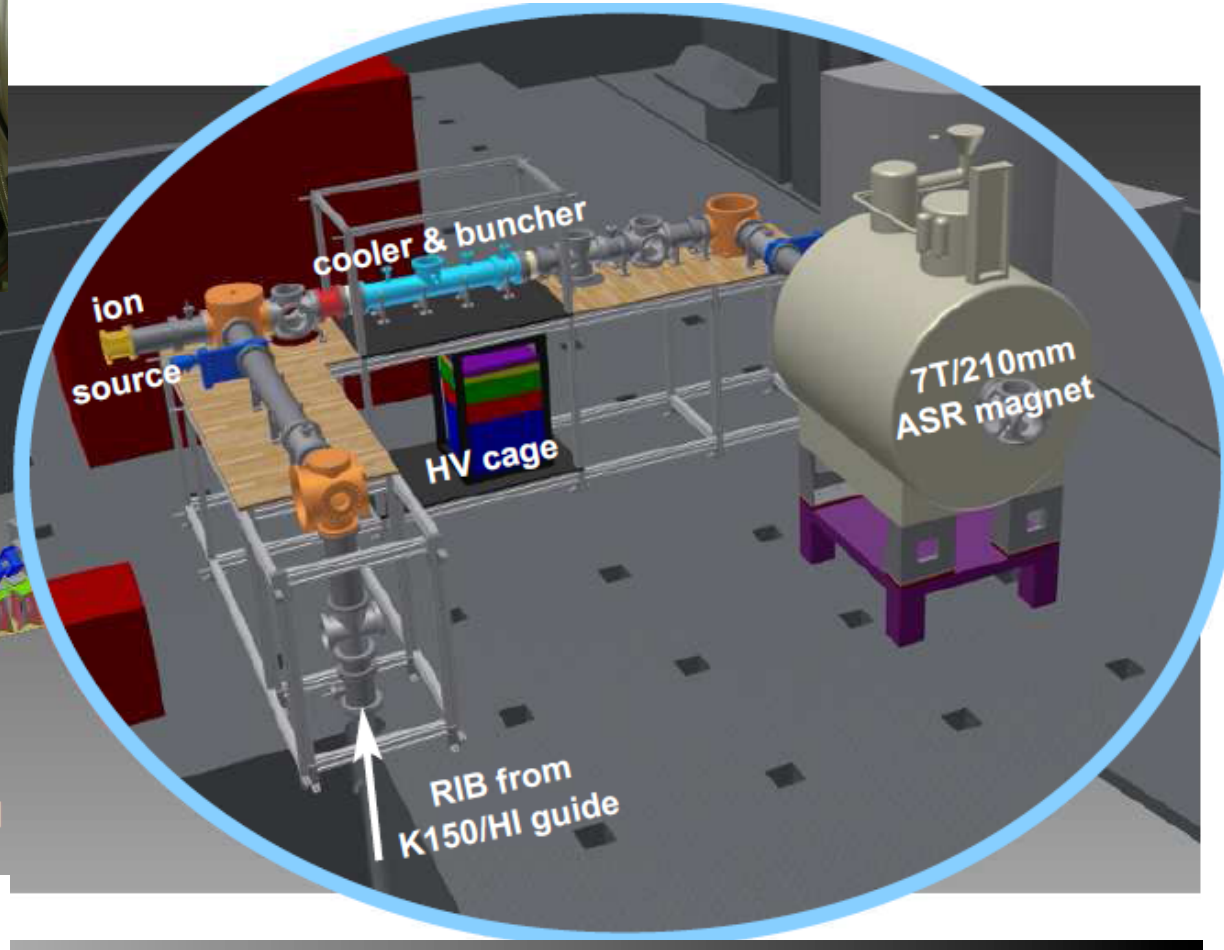
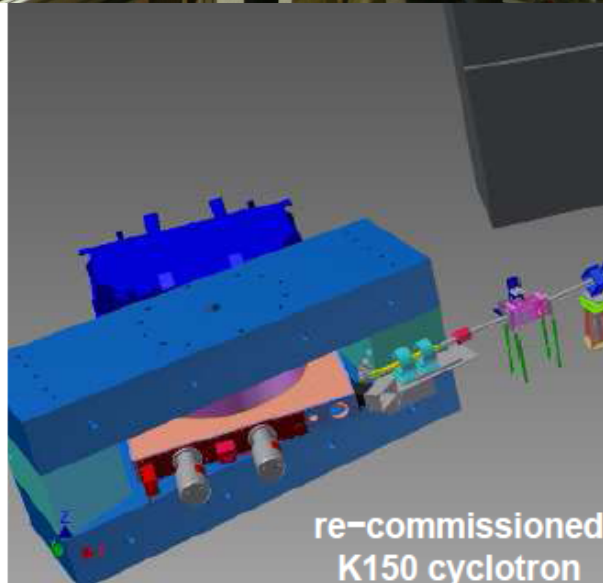
$$V_{ud}^2 + V_{us}^2 + V_{ub}^2 = 0.9999(5)$$

Texas A&M: world's most open-geometry ion trap; will determine isospin-breaking corrections and search for scalar currents in $T=2$ decays



Uniquely suited for studying β -delayed proton decays:

- $\beta - \nu$ correlations, ft values / V_{ud} ,
- amenable to mass measurements, EC studies, laser spectroscopy.



Courtesy: D. Melconian

Argonne – CENPA ^6He -little-a collaboration: laser trapping of ^6He in search for tensor currents

^6He little-a collaboration (P. Mueller, A. Garcia spokespersons)

P. Mueller, A. Leredde, K. Bailey, T.P. O'Connor (*Argonne*)

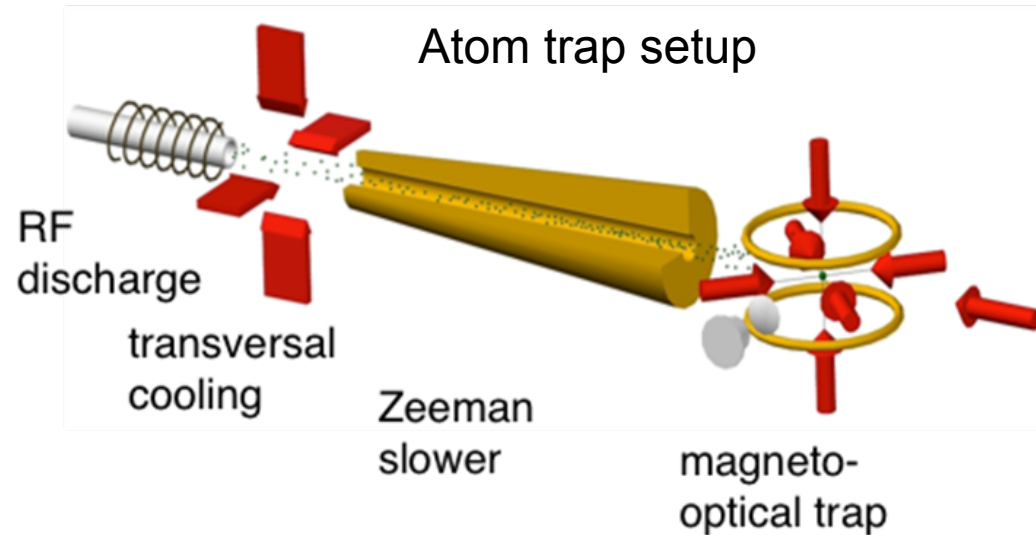
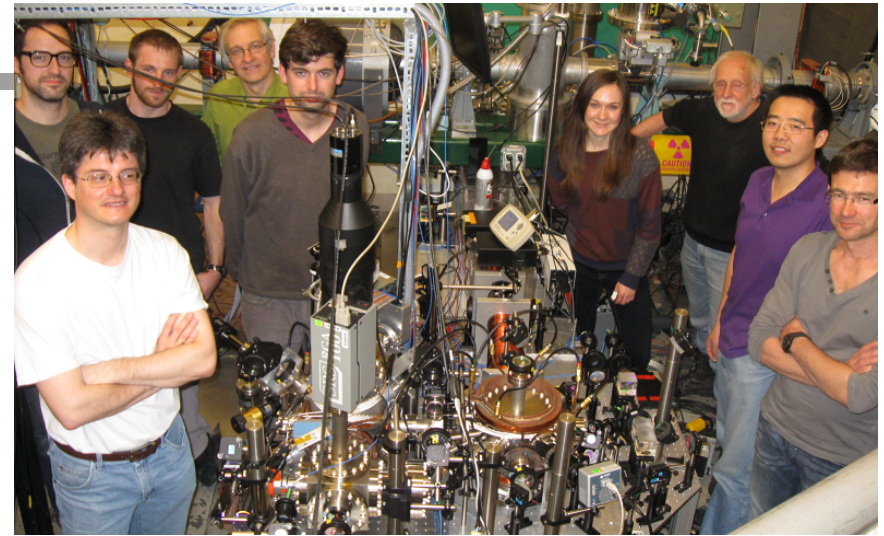
X. Fléchar, E. Liennard, (*LPC, CAEN, France*)

O. Naviliat-Cuncic (*NSCL, MSU*)

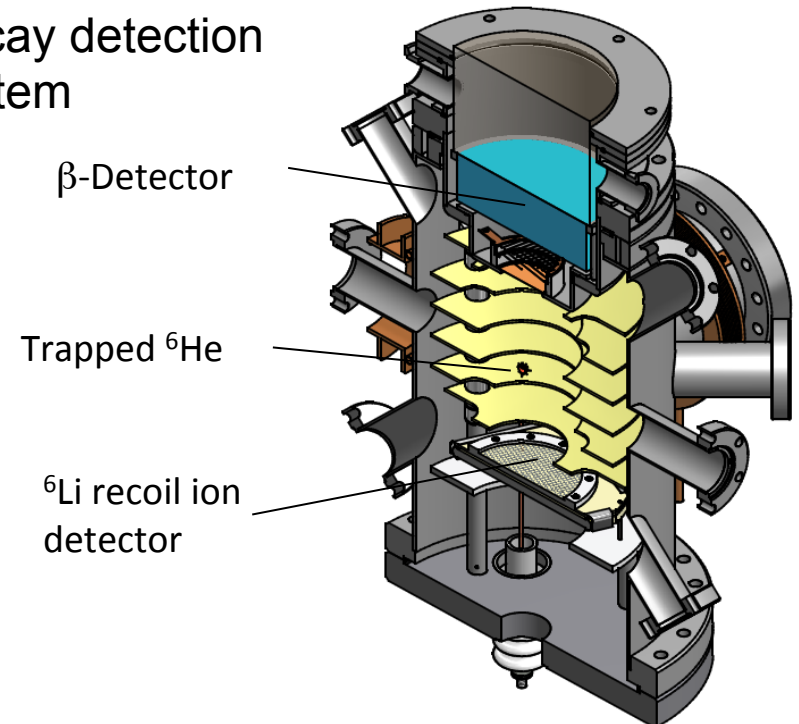
A. Knecht (*PSI, Switzerland*)

Y. Bagdasarova, A. Garcia, R. Hong, M. Sternberg, D. Storm,
H.E. Swanson, F. Wauters, D. Zumwalt (*University of Washington*)

- CENPA produces $\sim 10^{10}$ $^6\text{He}/\text{s}$
- Allows for laser trapping and other experiments
- Goal: determination of little-a to 0.1%.



Decay detection system



Courtesy: P. Mueller (Argonne), A. Garcia (UW)



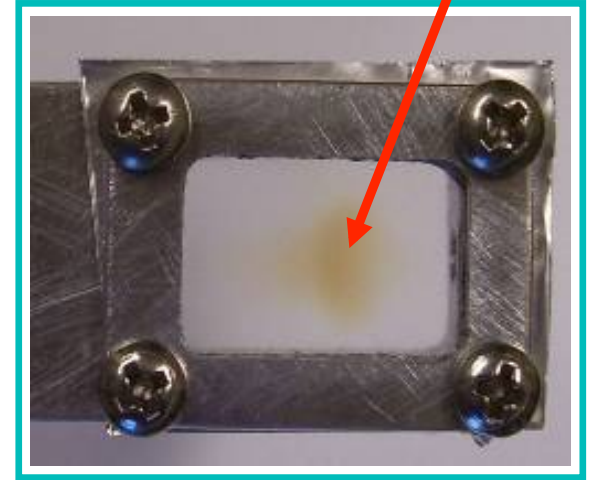
Applied Programs

ARUNA facilities perform a broad range of applied and interdisciplinary nuclear physics

experiments(1)

- Hope College Ion Beam Analysis Laboratory
 - Goal of facility #1: Applied research in multiple disciplines (surface science, environmental science, forensic science, limnology, biochemistry, geology, public health) using nuclear physics techniques of Ion Beam Analysis. Published peer-review research.
 - Goal #2 of facility: Offer research experiences to a wide variety of undergraduate students, provide STEM workforce training and attract good students into nuclear chemistry and nuclear physics disciplines.
- University of Notre Dame Institute for Structure and Nuclear Astrophysics & Radiation Laboratory
 - Examination of radiation effects
 - Nuclear power industry
 - Medical therapy
 - Space study and exploration
 - Homeland security
 - IBA in collaboration with archeology department and lots of undergrad involvement
 - Isotope production studies

Myoglobin



JD Warner *et al.*, Nucl Instr. Meth. B (2010)
SAJ Messing *et al.*, Nucl Acids Res (2012)

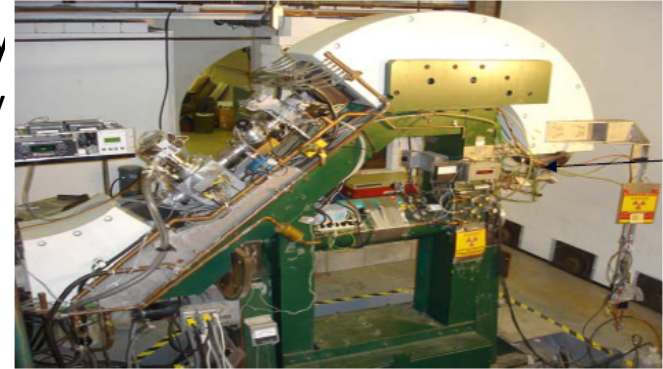


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ARUNA facilities perform a broad range of applied and interdisciplinary nuclear physics experiments(2)

- Ohio University Edwards Accelerator Laboratory

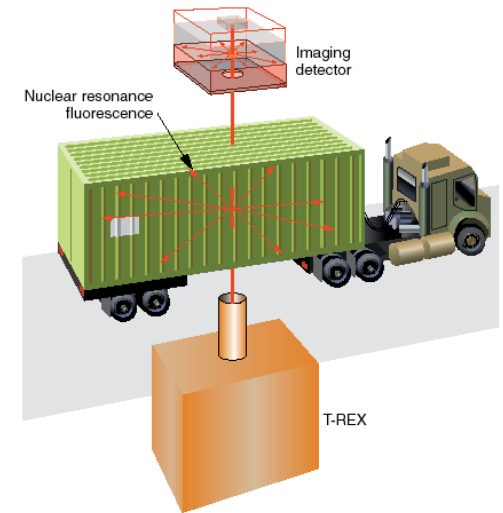
- Medical Physics -- neutron spectra for cancer therapy
- Neutron Imaging (LLNL / Jim Hall)
- Neutron-induced single-event upset studies (LLNL)
- Neutron Detector Development (Photonics, Inc.)
- Dosimeter Calibration (Overhoff Technology, Inc.)
- Fast neutron transmission in iron
- Cross section measurements for Inertial Confinement Fusion:
 ${}^3\text{H}(d,\gamma)$
 γ -ray production 14-MeV neutrons
- ${}^{12}\text{C}(n,2n){}^{11}\text{C}$ (Houghton College, SUNY Geneseo)



Target chamber

- Triangle Universities Nuclear Laboratory

- Photonuclear measurements on actinides (Homeland security)
- Nuclear resonance fluorescence measurements (Homeland security)
- Photofission induced with polarized γ -ray beams (Energy and Homeland security)
- Neutron induced reaction (National nuclear security)
- Plant Physiology studies using radioisotope tracing
- Characterization of membrane for water purification by filtration



Courtesy LLNL

ARUNA institutions test, develop and design new detectors

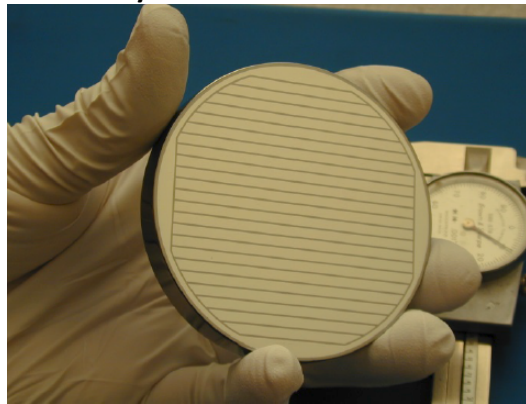
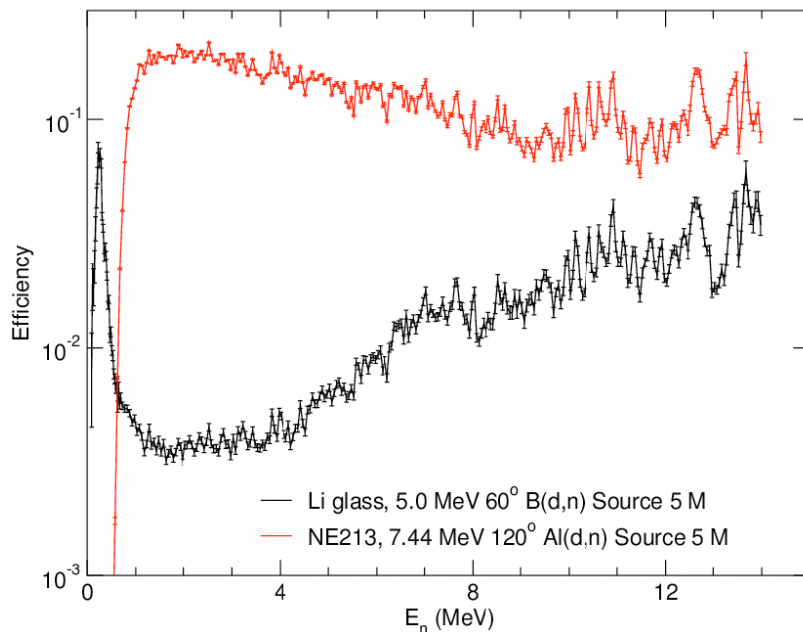
- University of Massachusetts Lowell

- Development of a “proof-of-concept” array of CLYC detectors for fast neutron spectroscopy
- GeDSSD
 - Imaging and high count rate capabilities
 - Test of neutron damage “reparability”

$\text{Cs}_2\text{LiYCl}_6:\text{Ce}$ (CLYC)

- Ohio University Edwards Accelerator Laboratory

- Detector calibration



- University of Notre Dame

- SuN detector testing for NSCL/FRIB
- AT-TPC prototype testing for NSCL/FRIB
- Measurement of Scintillation and Ionization of Nuclear Recoils in Noble Elements for Dark Matter Searches (Princeton, Fermi lab)



Education

- Undergraduate Education (all of ARUNA)
- Graduate Education (most of ARUNA)
- Workforce Development (all of ARUNA)
- Outreach (all of ARUNA)



Educating Nuclear Scientists:
FSU, Kentucky, Notre Dame,
Ohio, TUNL, TAMU, UMass

143 current graduate students

At Notre Dame 43% female

63 graduates in last 10 years

75 current undergraduate researchers

37 current postdocs



What students gain from participation in research as undergraduates

Technical skills

Creative problem solving

Scientific communication skills

Dealing with frustrations / perseverance

Self confidence

Time management

Project planning

Working within a collaboration

Leadership development

Undergraduate students of Prof. Sally F. Hicks, University of Dallas, who have worked at UKAL

NSF Supported (17):



Eric Meier (1991), Christopher Bennett (1991), Suzy Maska (1992), Carl Lundstedt (1993), Chris Davoren (1994), William Faulkner (1995), Stephen Etzkorn (1997), Peter Burkett (1997), Corey Collard (1998), Gary Alexander (1998), Meghan Walbran (1999), Beth Sklaney (1999), Chris Aubin (1999), Patrick Roddy (2000), Matt Burns (2001), J. C. Boehringer (2001), Jeff Ellis (2002)

DOE Supported (13):



Peter McDonough (2010), Luke Kersting (2010), Collin Lueck (2010), Anthony Sigillito (2011), Jessie Girgis (2011), Laura Downes (2011), Jeff Schniederjan (2011), Leslie Sidwell (2012), Brett Combs (2012); Samuel Henderson (2013); Aaron French (2014); Thaddeus Howard (2014); Luke Pecha (2014)

TAMU Research Experiences for Undergraduates

The Cyclotron Institute has hosted REU programs every year since the Summer of 2004.

Approximately 12 students/yr

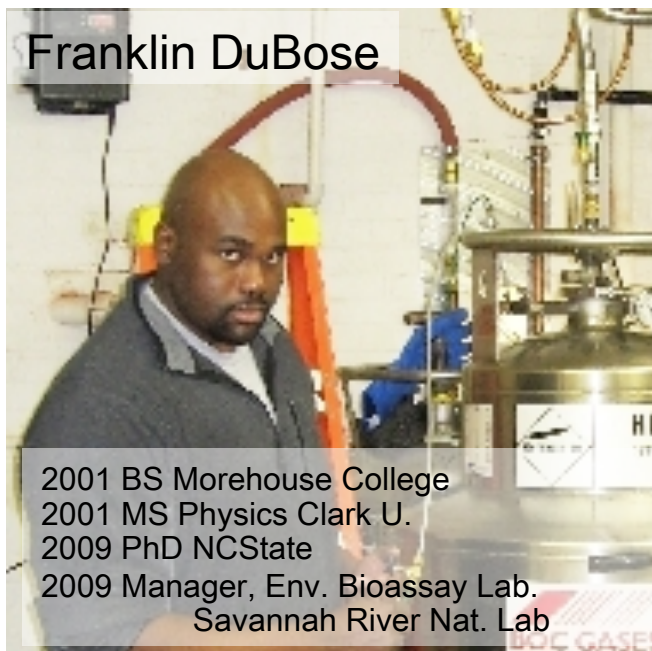
Entirely focused on nuclear science

Emphasis on students from schools that do not offer these types of research opportunities



Educating the (Nuclear) Workforce

Franklin DuBose



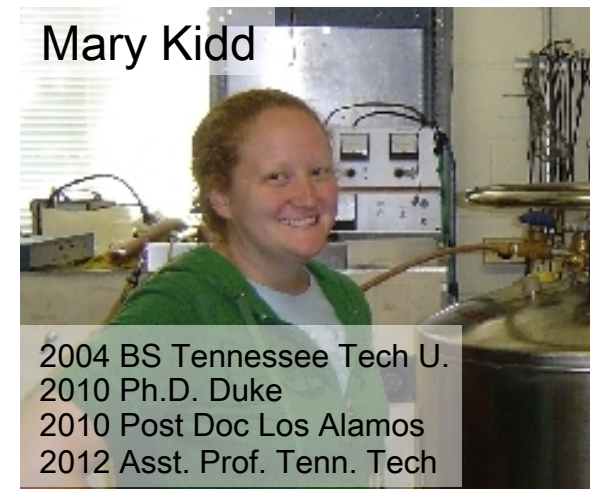
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2001 MS Physics Clark U.
2009 PhD NCState
2009 Manager, Env. Bioassay Lab.
Savannah River Nat. Lab

Calem Hofman



2003 FSU Undergrad
2010 Ph.D. FSU / MSU
APS Dissertation Award
2012 Argonne Staff Scientist

Mary Kidd



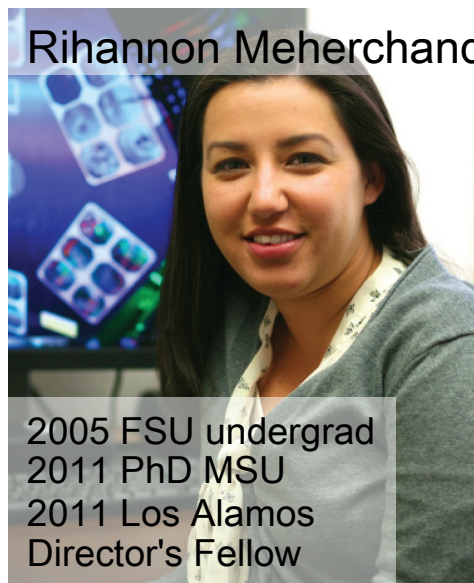
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2010 Post Doc Los Alamos
2012 Asst. Prof. Tenn. Tech

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Kiser



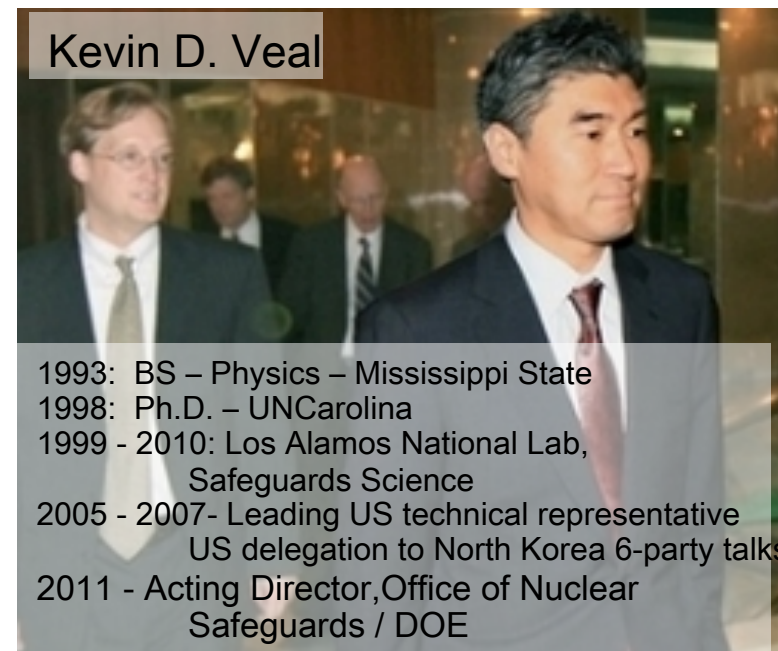
2002: BS King College
2008: PhD Duke
2008 – present: Senior Scientist,
National Security Technologies
2012: Secretary of Energy Achievement Award

Rihannon Meherchand



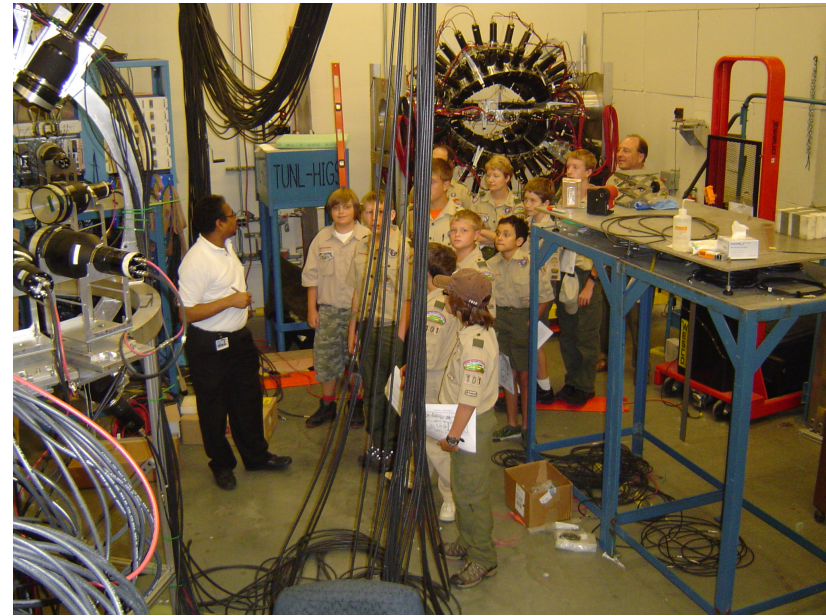
2005 FSU undergrad
2011 PhD MSU
2011 Los Alamos
Director's Fellow

Kevin D. Veal



1993: BS – Physics – Mississippi State
1998: Ph.D. – UNCarolina
1999 - 2010: Los Alamos National Lab,
Safeguards Science
2005 - 2007- Leading US technical representative
US delegation to North Korea 6-party talks
2011 - Acting Director, Office of Nuclear
Safeguards / DOE

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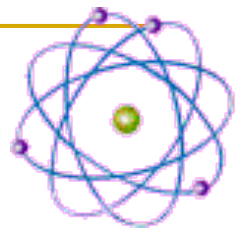


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There is nothing like a scientist in the laboratory for inspiring a young person – get students into ARUNA facilities!





Summary

1. ARUNA facilities do **first rate science**.
2. ARUNA facilities provide unique opportunities for **new developments** and testing that is not possible at big facilities.
3. ARUNA facilities attract students and help nuclear science **compete for talent** at the universities.
4. ARUNA facilities are flagships for universities and generate a lot of **leverage support**.
5. Scientists from ARUNA facilities are a major part of the user community of large facilities.
6. Scientists from ARUNA facilities are a intellectual resource, if not a motor for the field.



Recommendation

In order to ensure the long-term health of the field, it is critical to maintain a balance between funding of operations at major facilities and the needs of university-based programs, both for operations and new initiatives.