

Study of neutron-rich isotopes with neutron-induced-fission reactions

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Outline:

- Identification of the new level schemes in neutron-rich isotopes produced in fission reactions induced by thermal and fast neutrons
- Development of the reaction tag for fission experiments
 - Scintillator-based active target
 - Diamond- and SiC-based fission tag
- Lifetimes measurement of the states in neutron-rich isotopes by employing LOHENGRIN mass spectrometer
- Study low-spin states in ^{62}Ni via two neutrons transfer reaction

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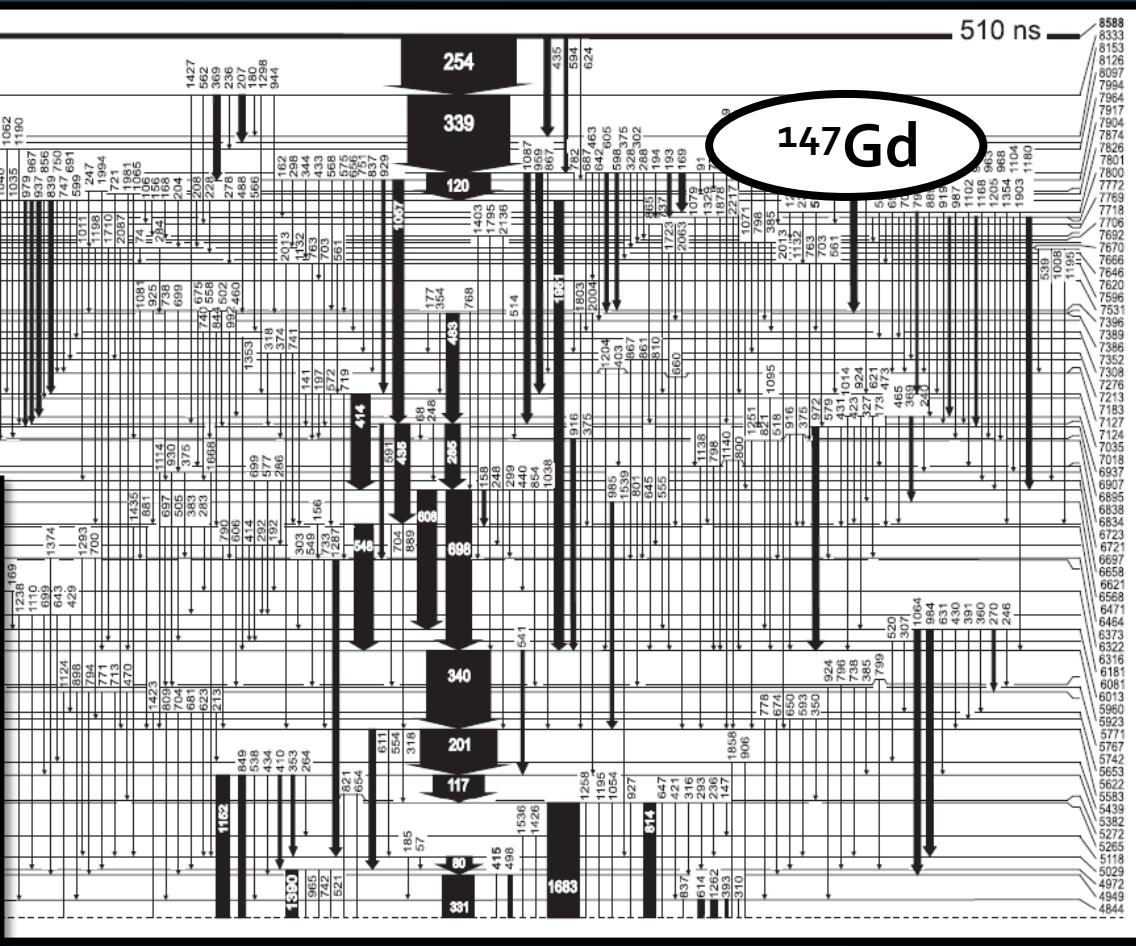
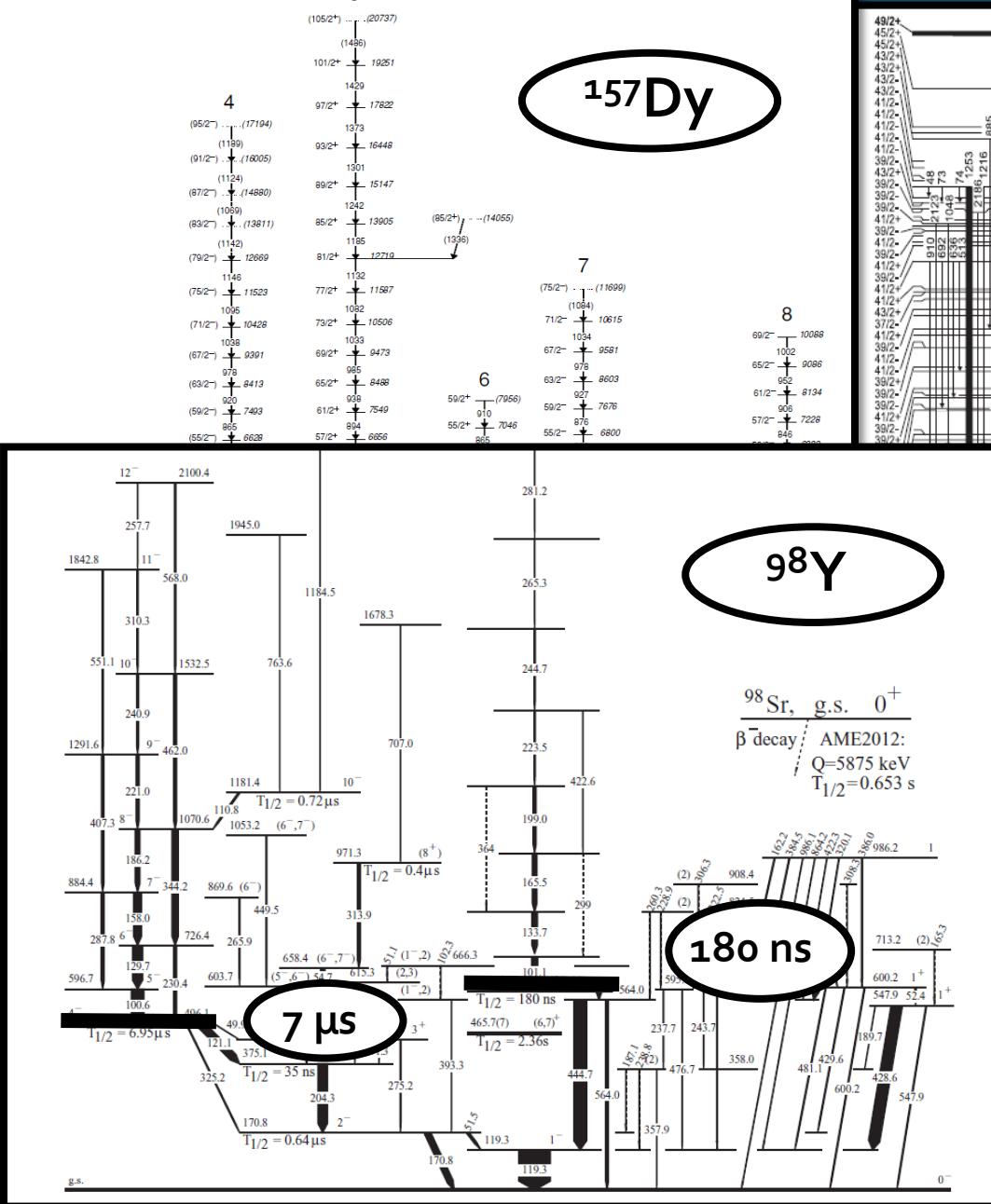
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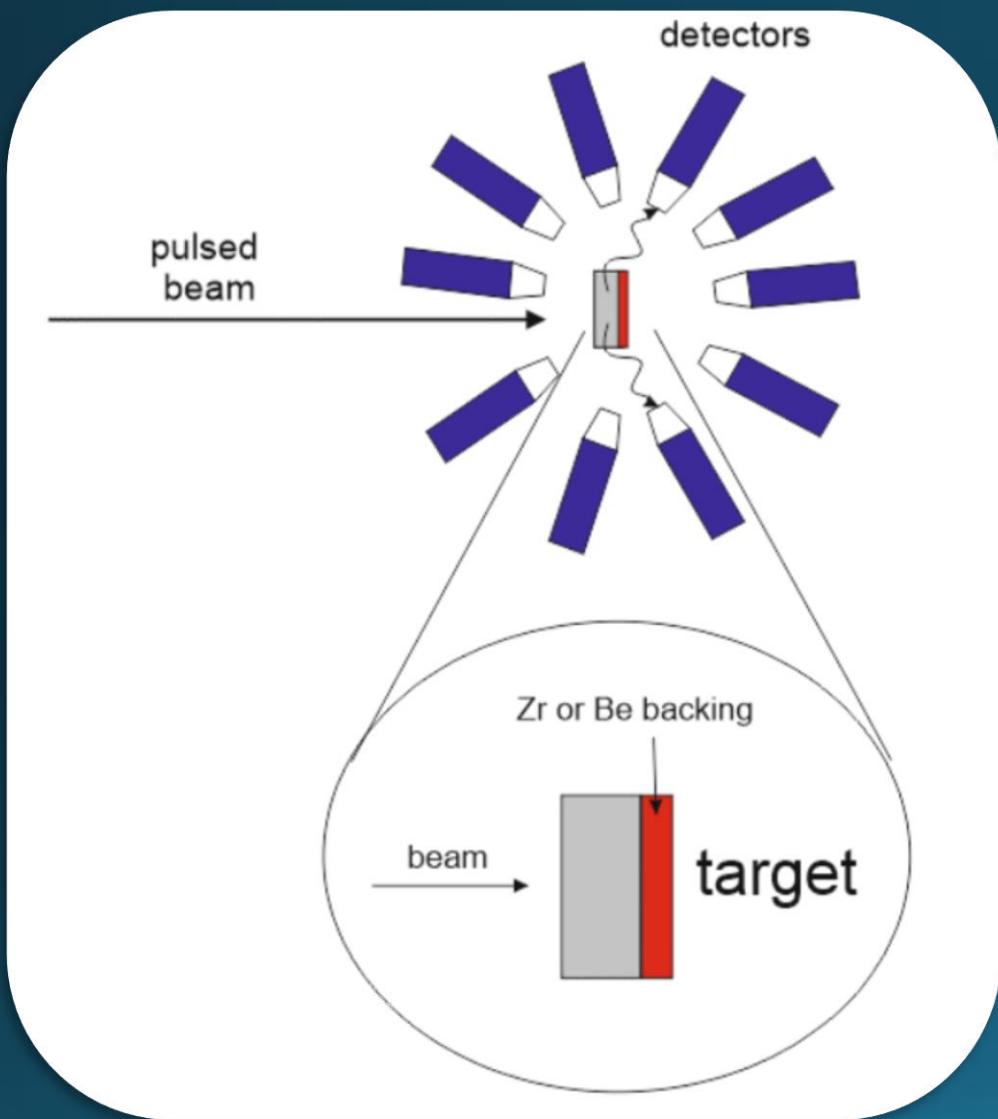
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Typical experimental setup and requirements

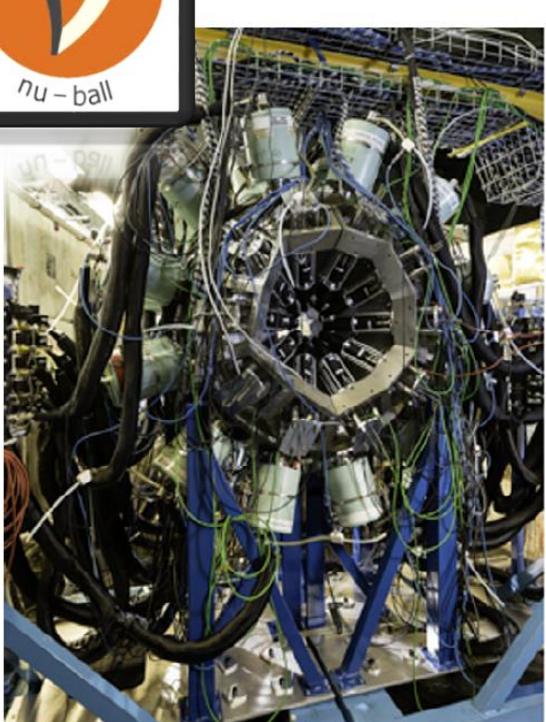


- Pulsed beam (few ns width; hundreds ns repetition time)
 - reaction tag
- Thick target (or backing) – doppler free detection
- Detectors :
 - HPGe – discrete gamma-ray spectroscopy
 - LaBr₃ – lifetimes measurement

v-ball campaign

Gamma spectroscopy HPGe

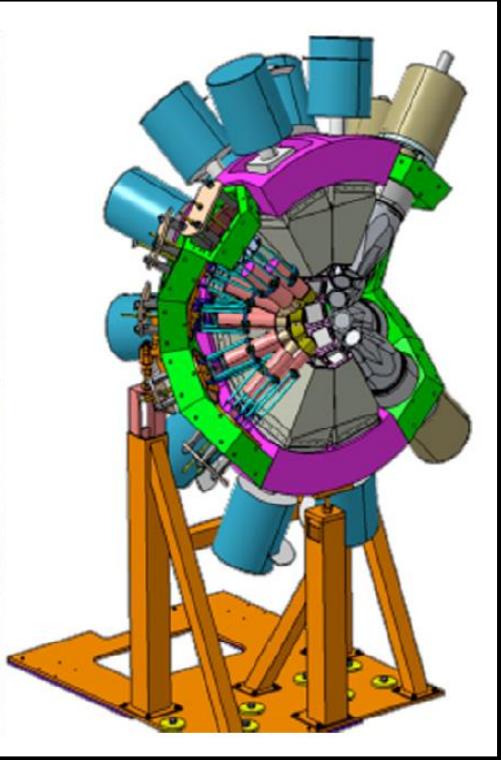
- 24 clover detectors
- 10 large coaxial detectors



Lifetimes measurement

- 20 LaBr_3

- pulsed beam with 400 ns repetition time

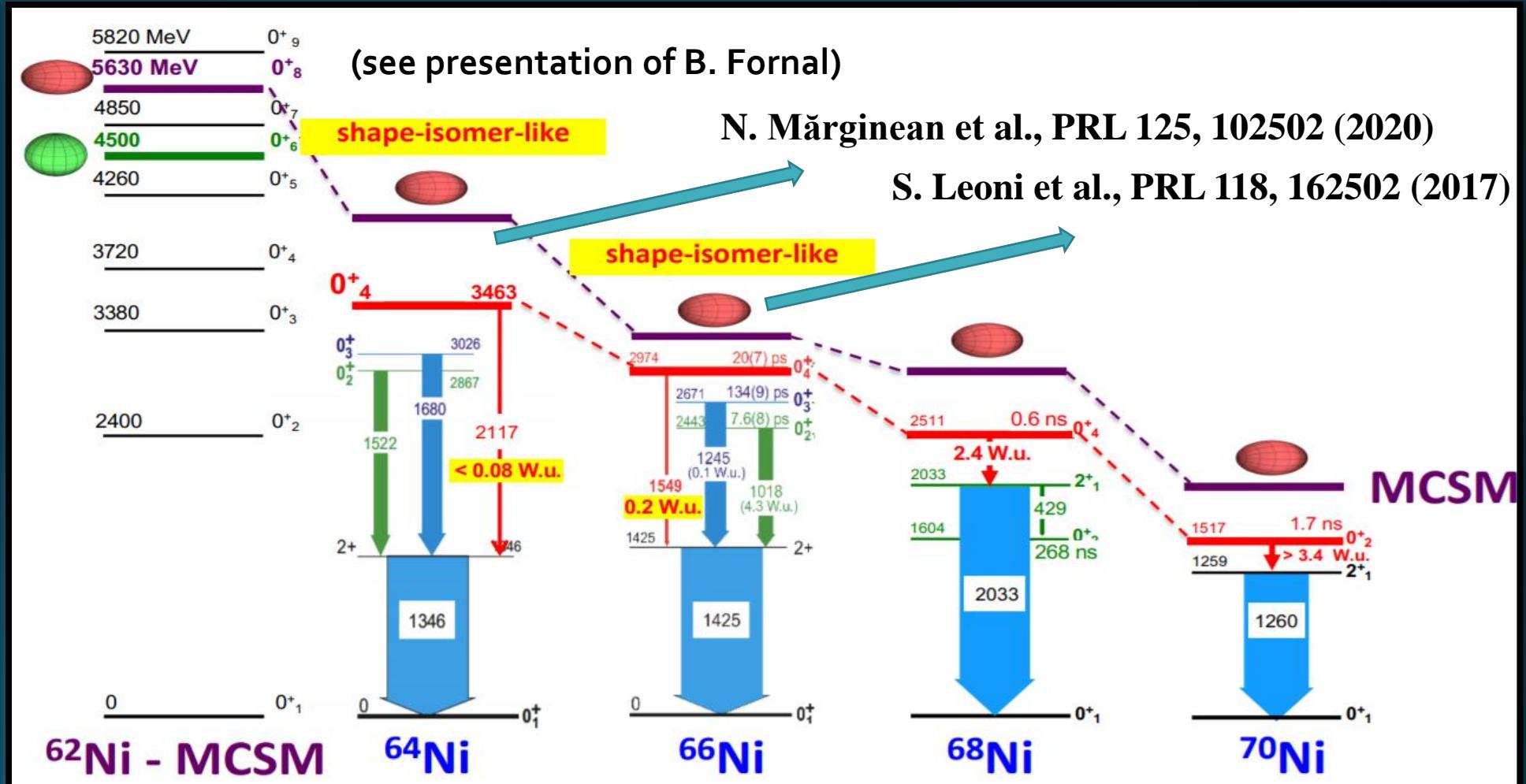
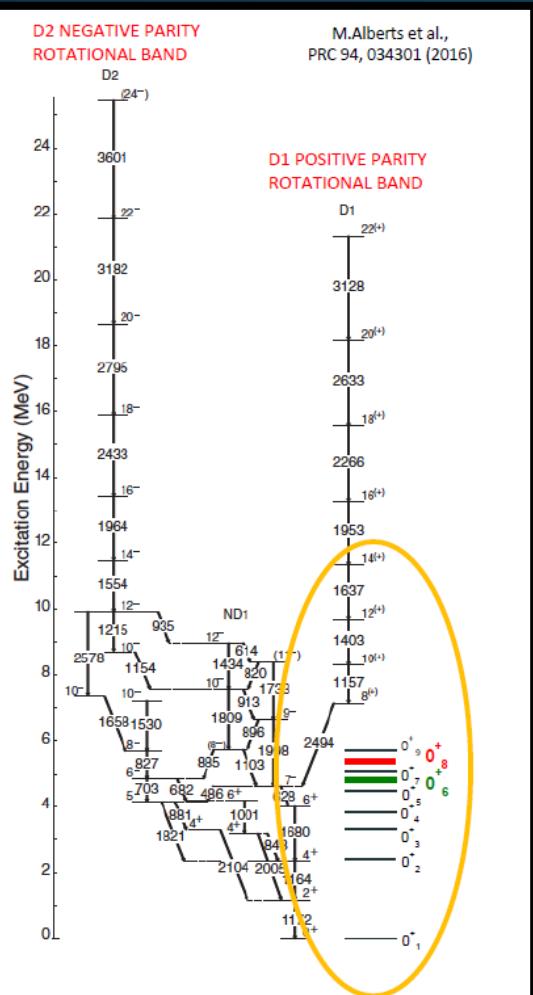


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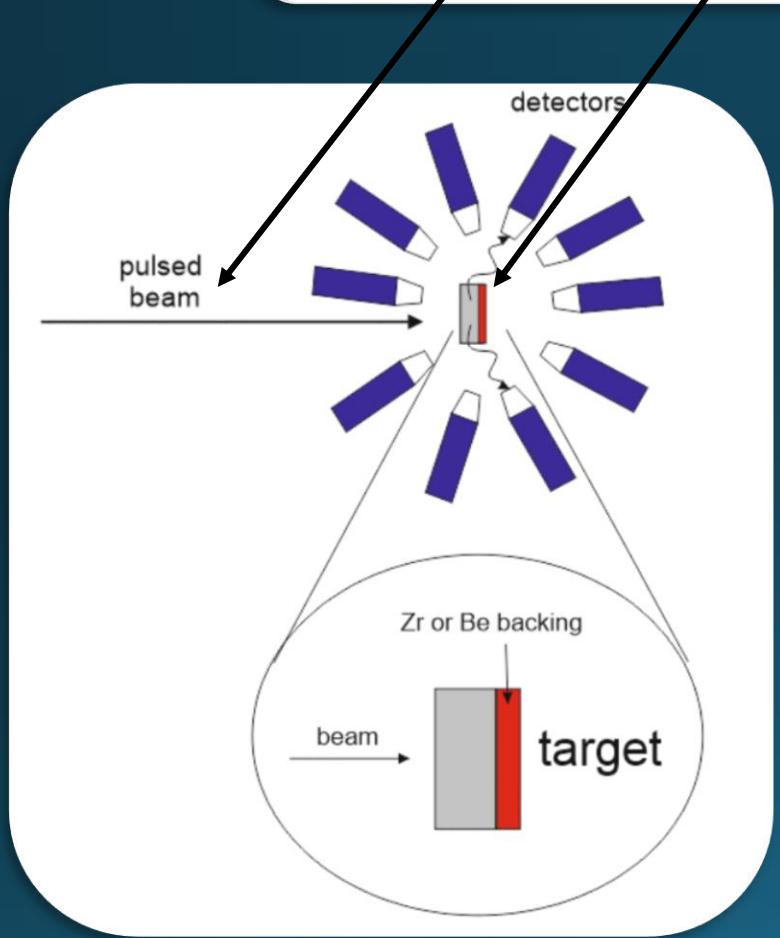
Detailed Gamma Spectroscopy of ^{62}Ni : Searching for the onset of shape coexistence in neutron-rich Ni isotopes

MONTE CARLO SHELL MODEL Calculations (MCSM) - Takaharu Otsuka's Group, Univ. of Tokyo



Spokespersons: S. Leoni, B. Fornal, N. Marginean

TWO NEUTRONS TRANSFER REACTION

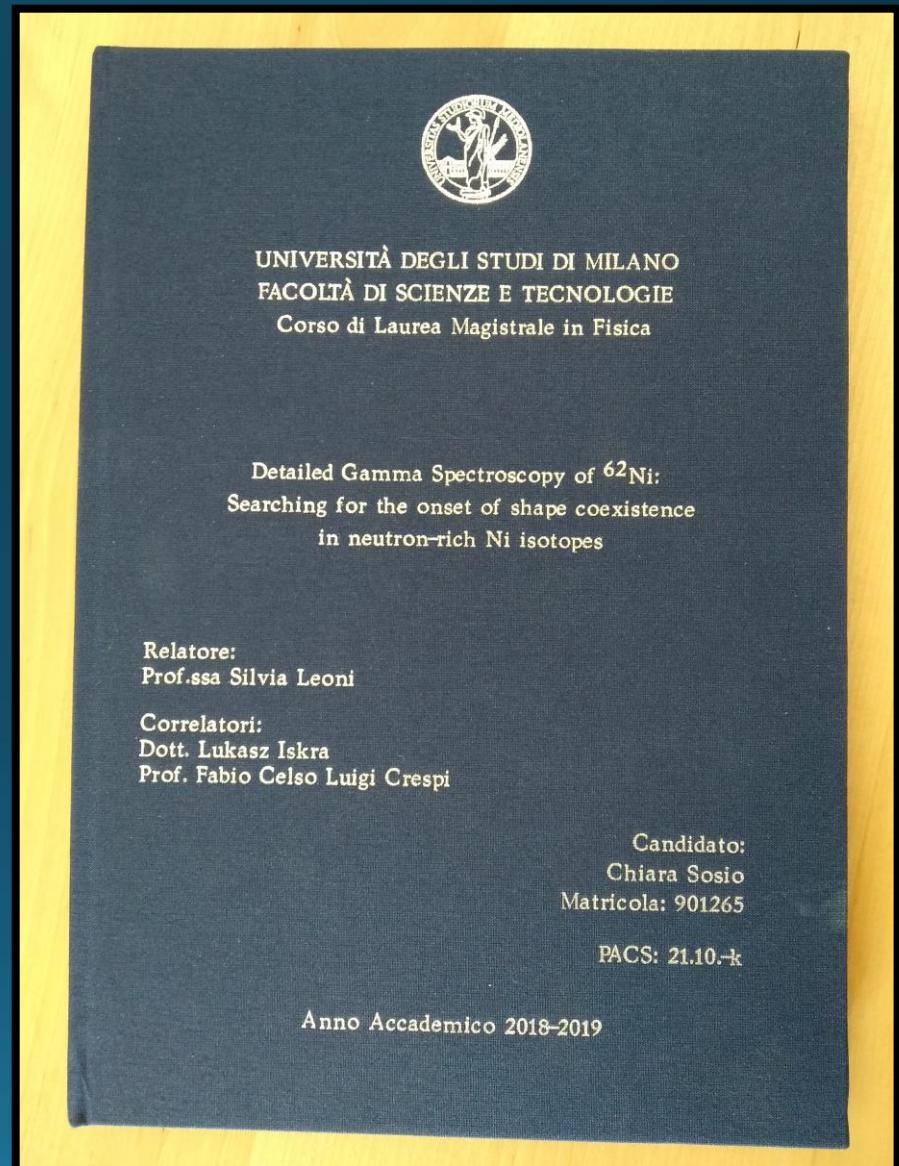


Beam Energy:
43 MeV

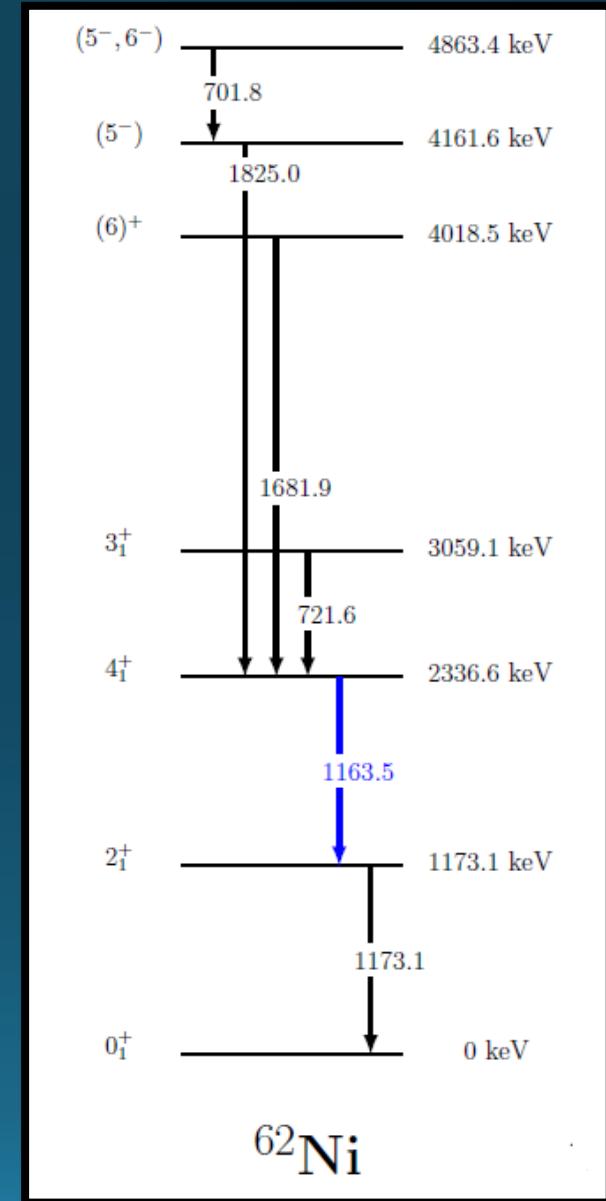
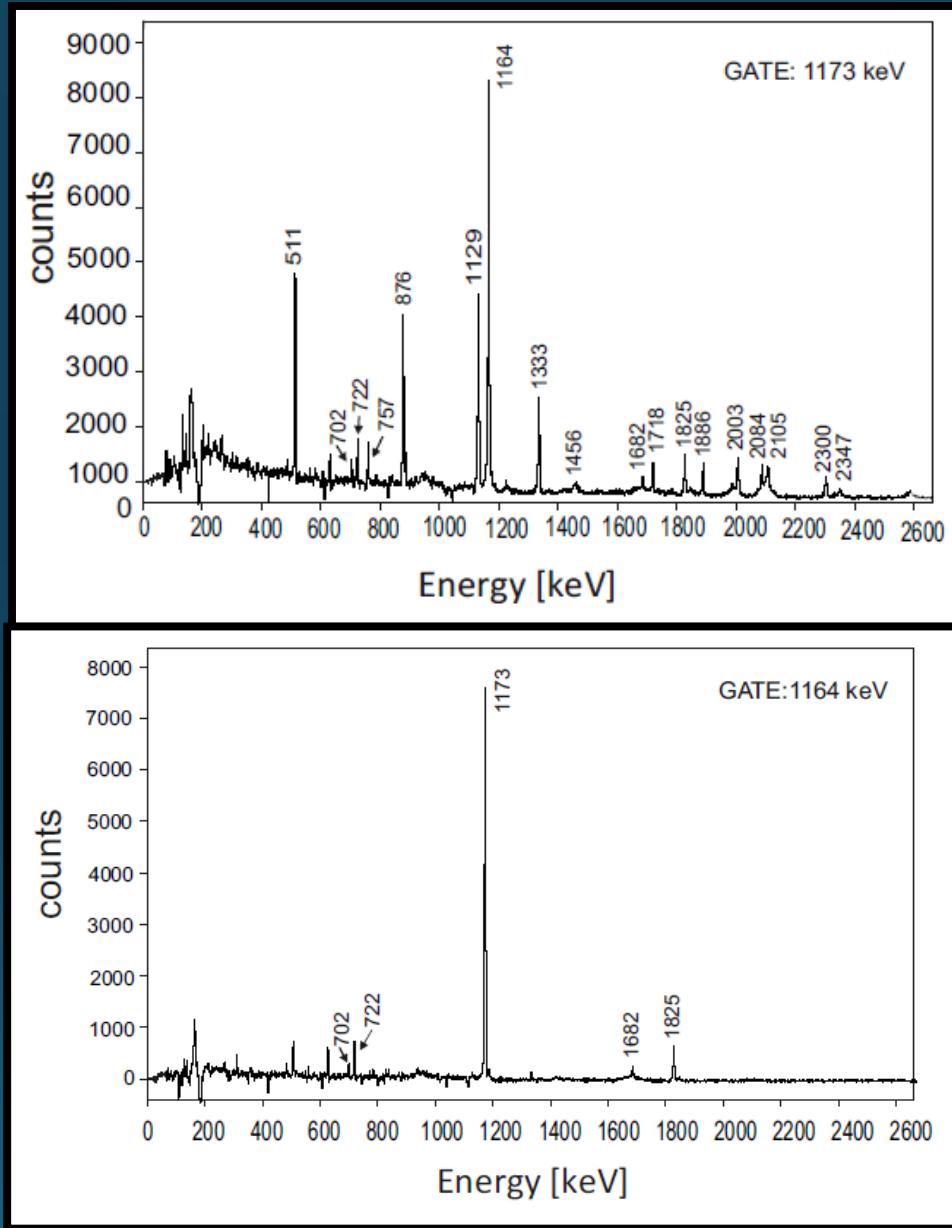
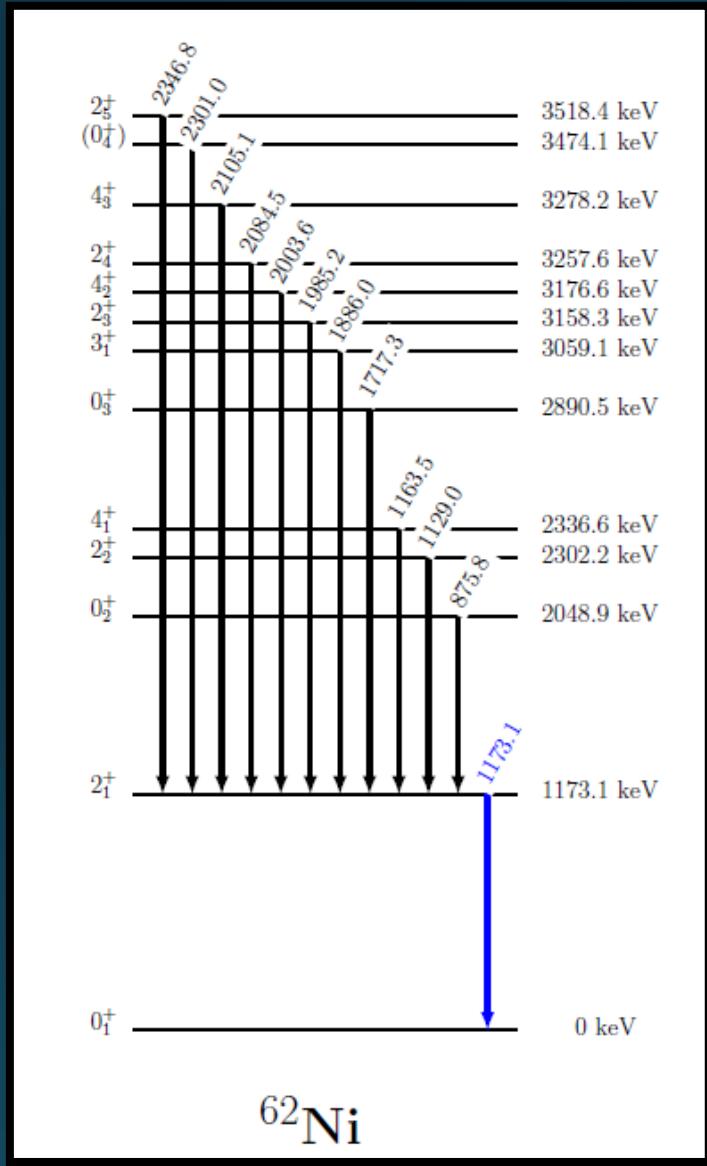
Below Coulomb barrier

Target thickness:
5 mg/cm²

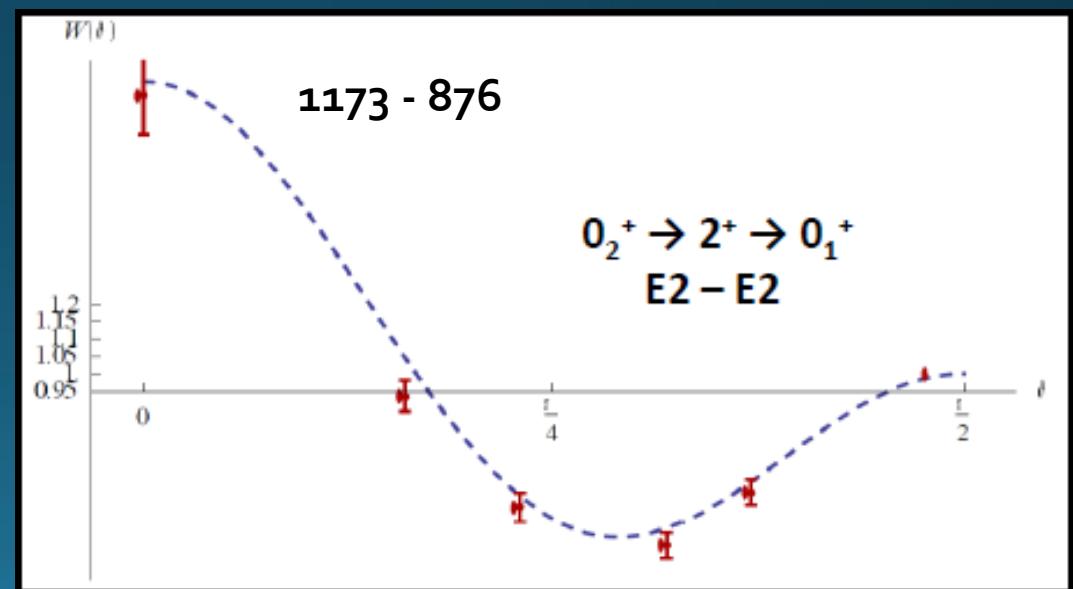
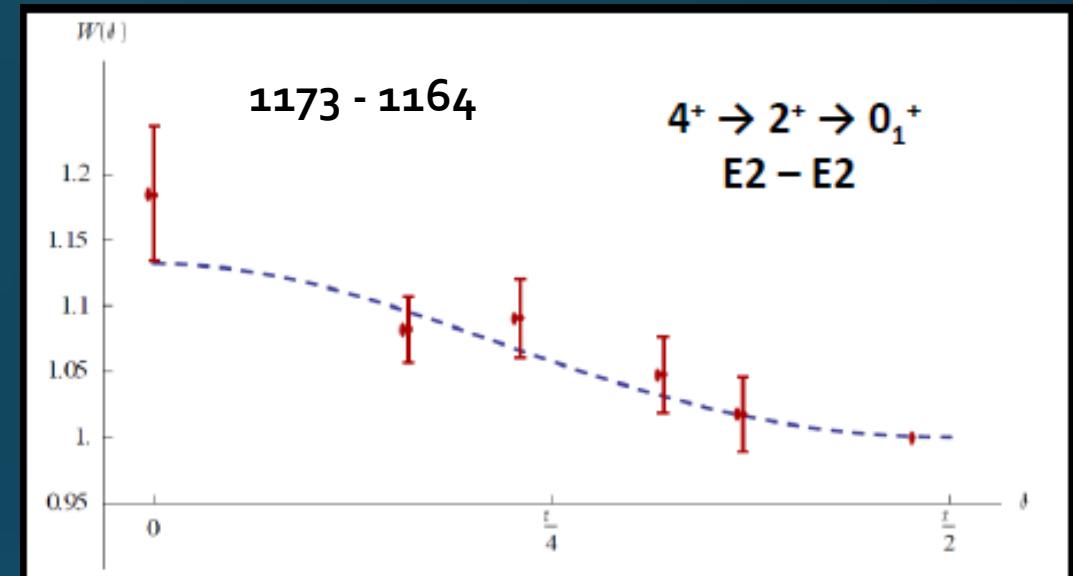
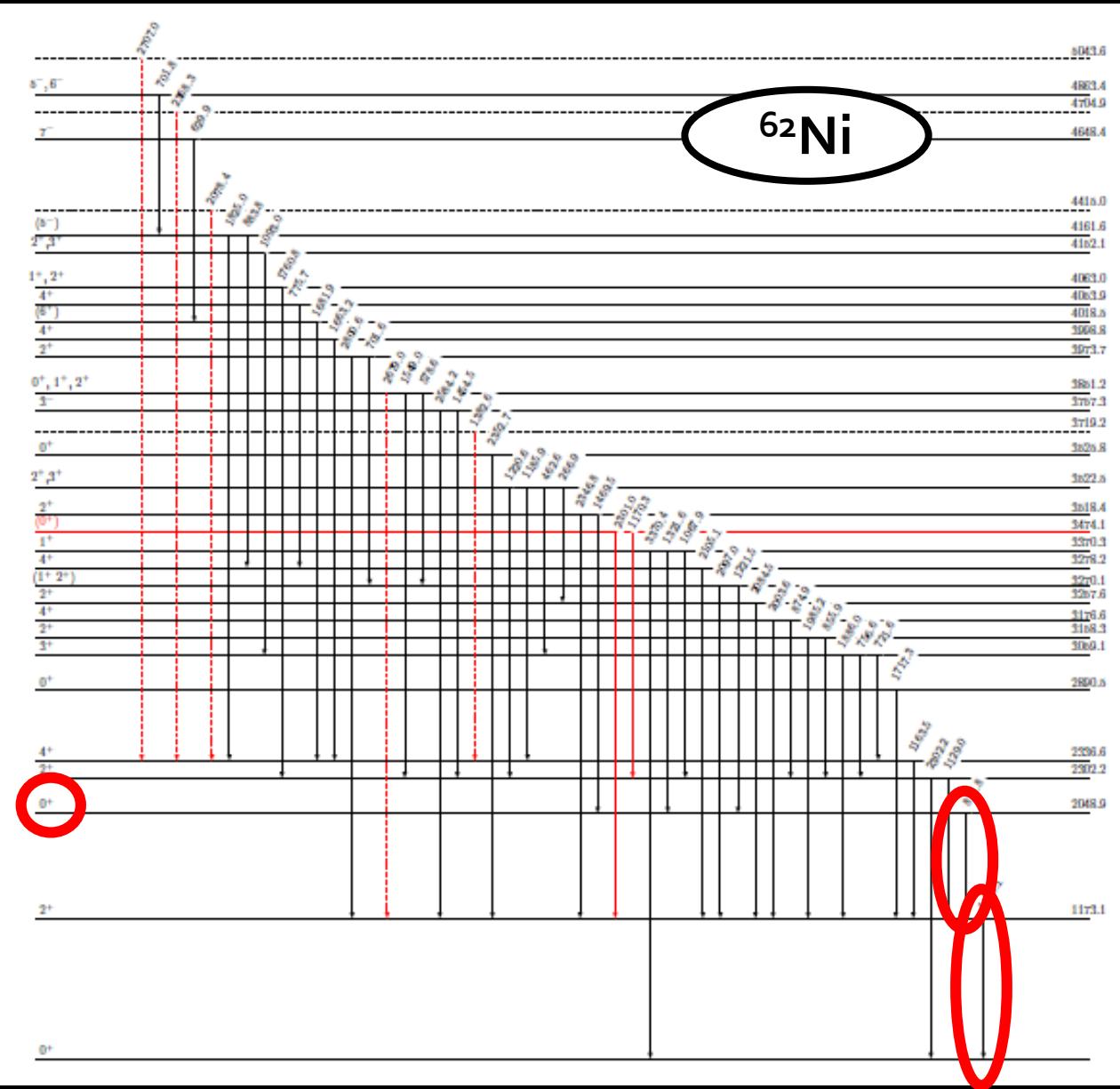
v-ball array
covering 75% of solid angle



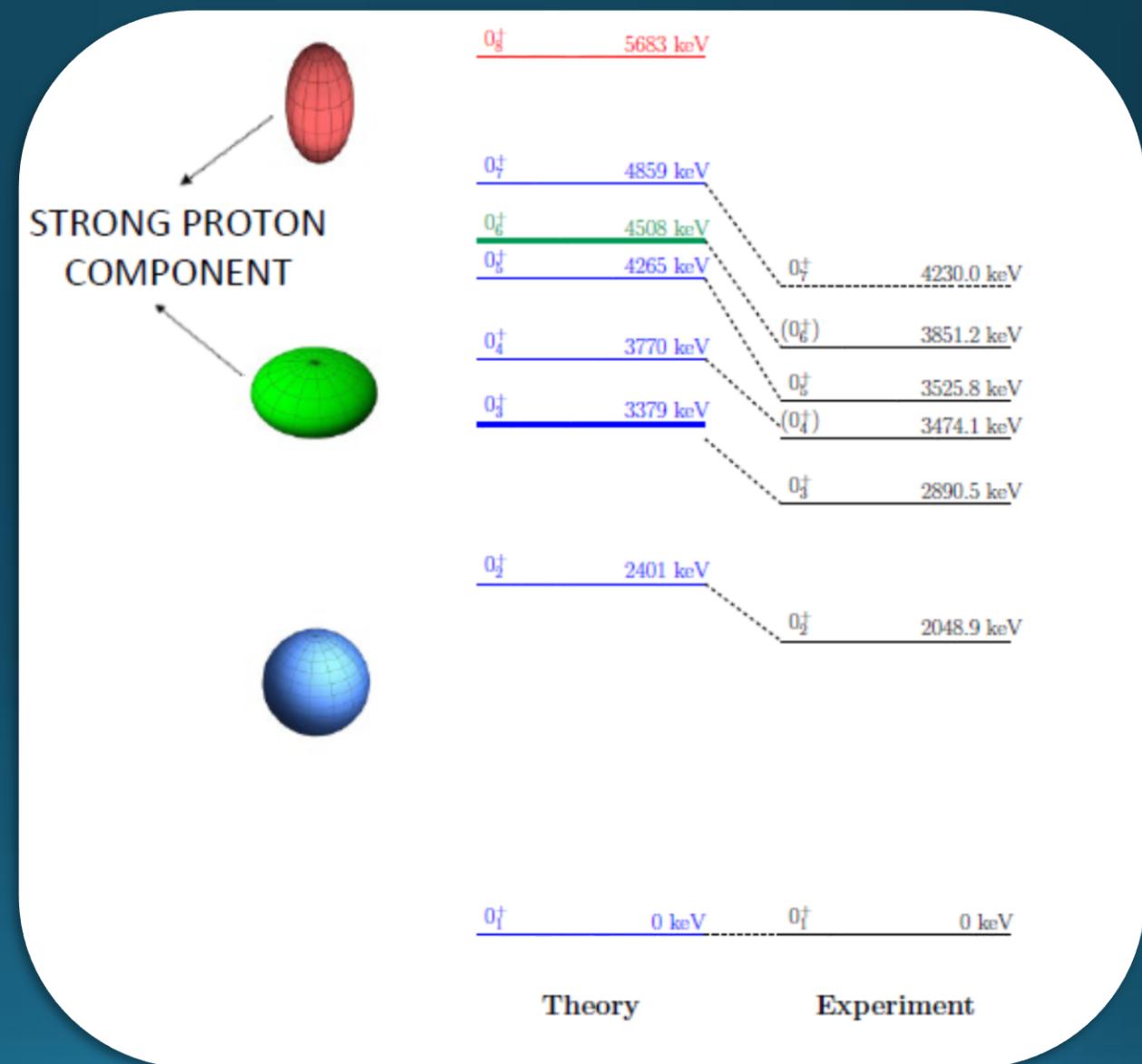
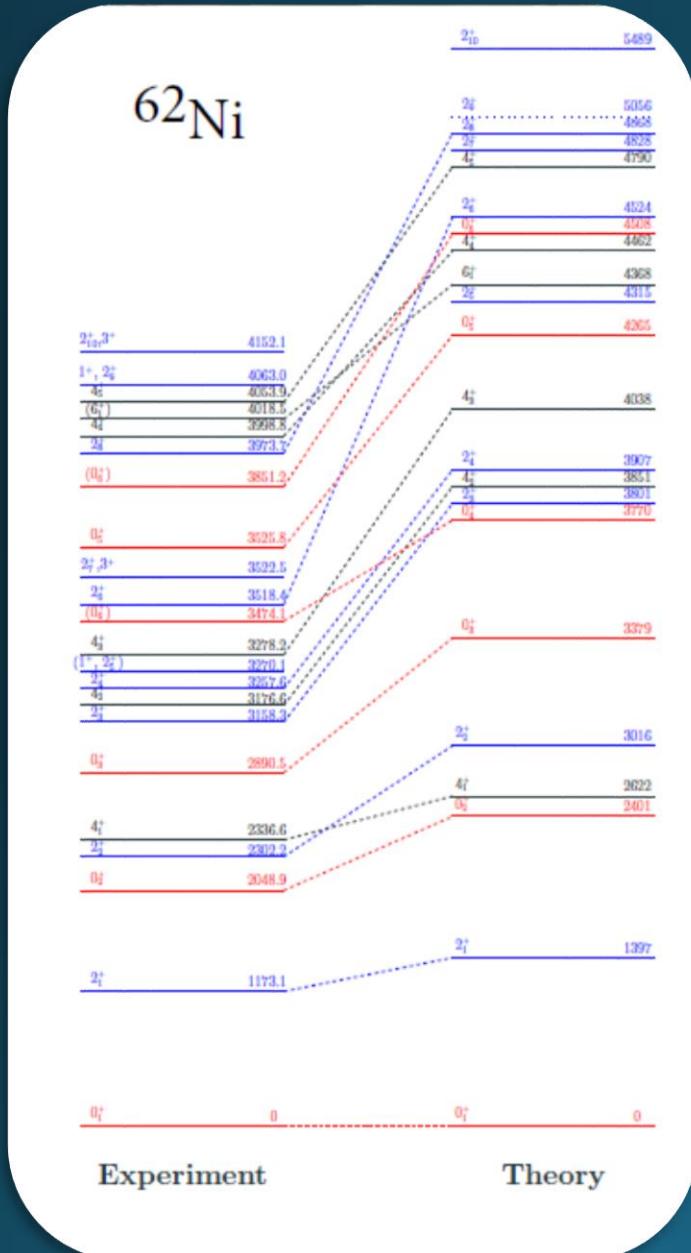
Gamma coincidence technique



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Comparison between experiment and theory



Comparison between two neutrons transfer and one proton transfer

IFIN-HH laboratory (Romania) - ROSPHERE array: 25 HPGe

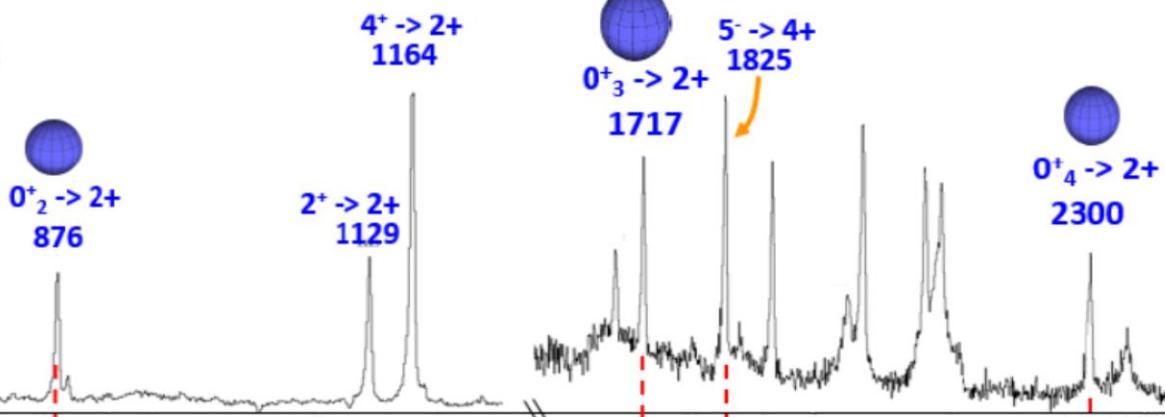
ONE PROTON TRANSFER REACTION



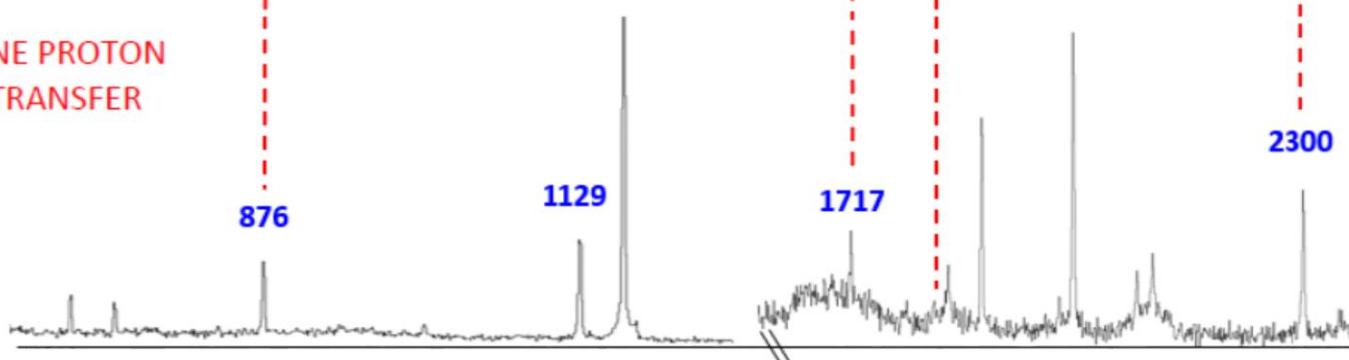
Thickness of the target: 5 mg/cm²

$E_{beam} = 24$ MeV (sub-Coulomb barrier reaction)

TWO NEUTRONS
TRANSFER



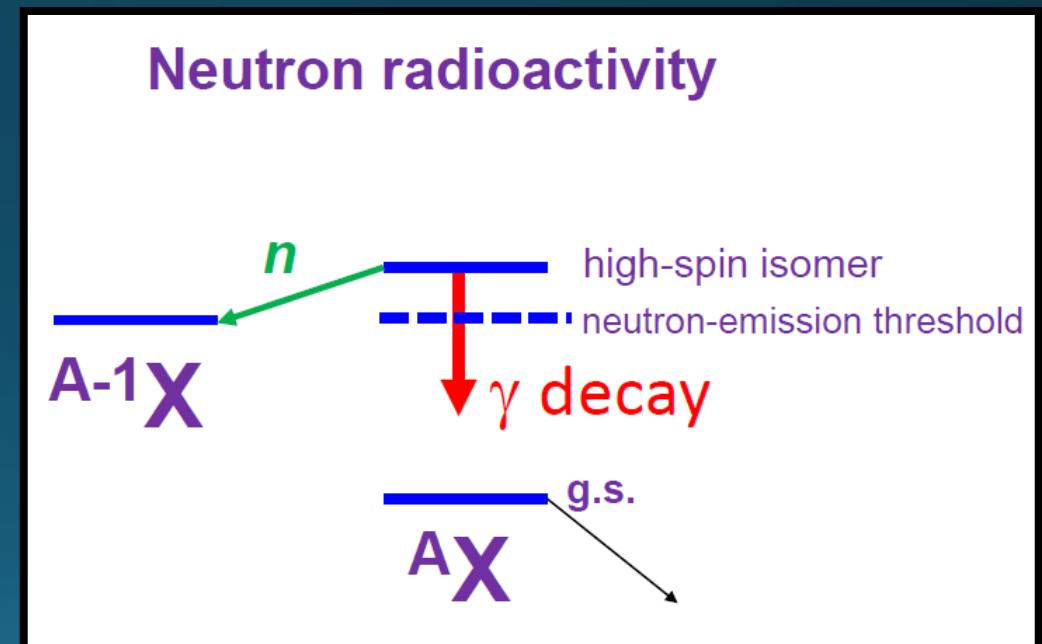
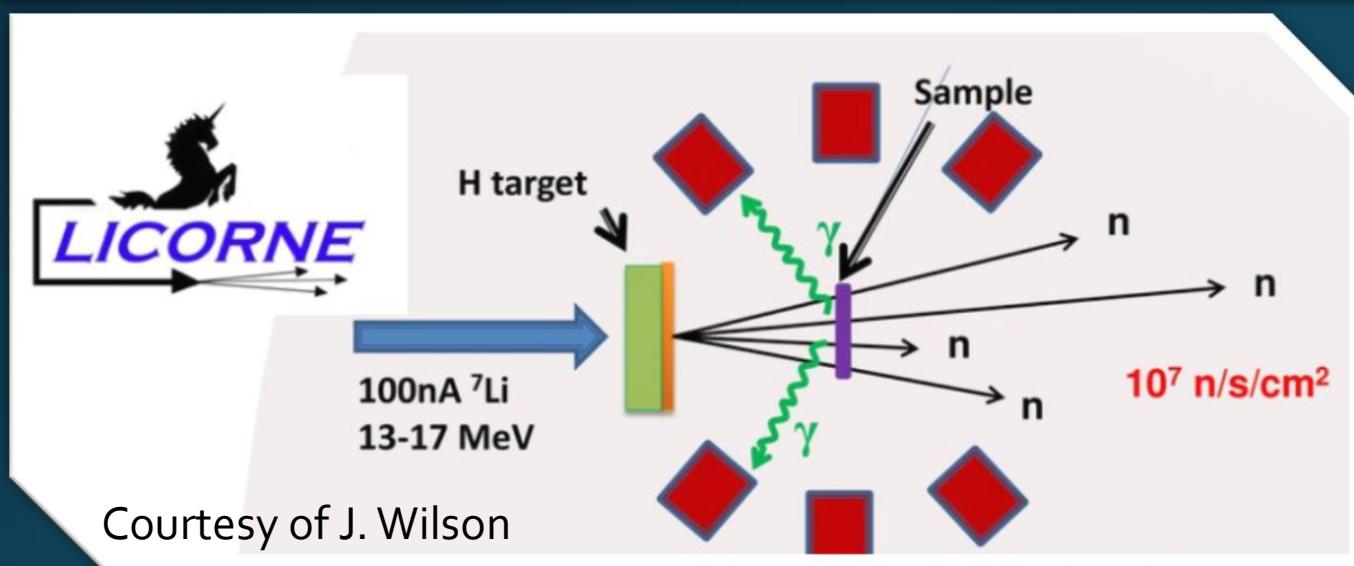
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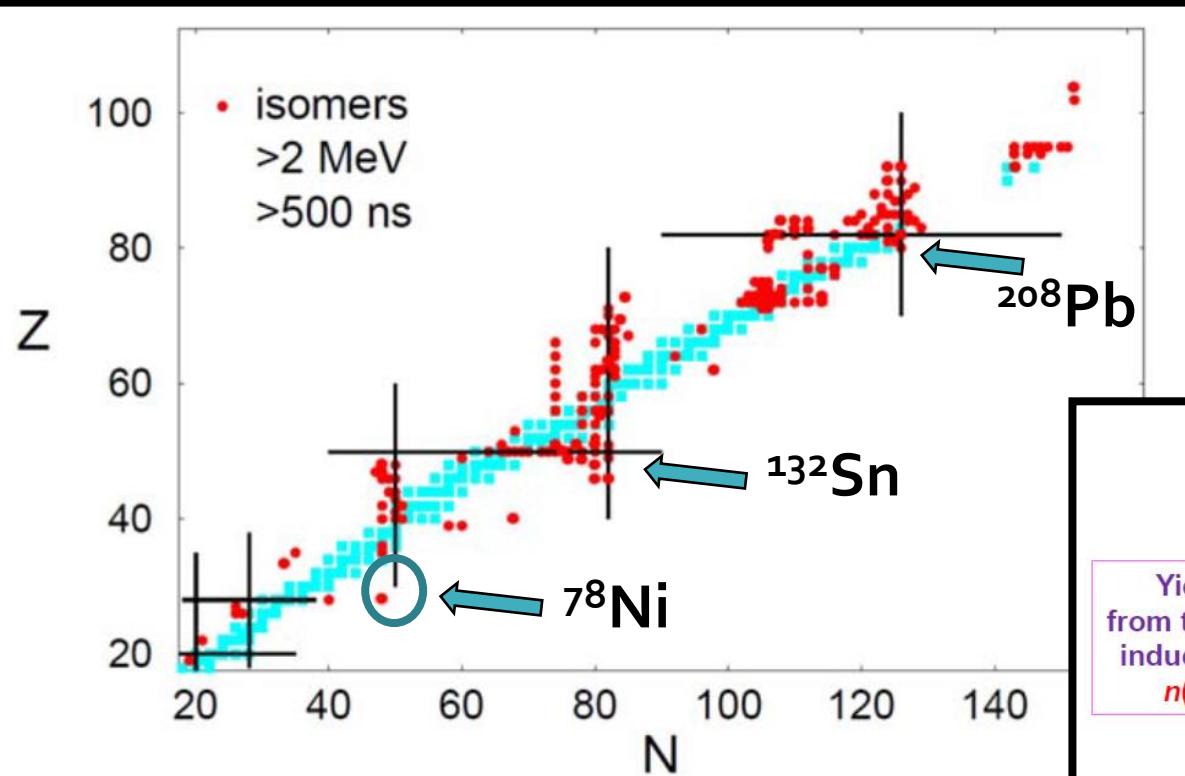
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7) v-ball/LICORNE Physics Case: Gamma spectroscopy in the north-east region of doubly magic ^{78}Ni – search for neutron radioactivity

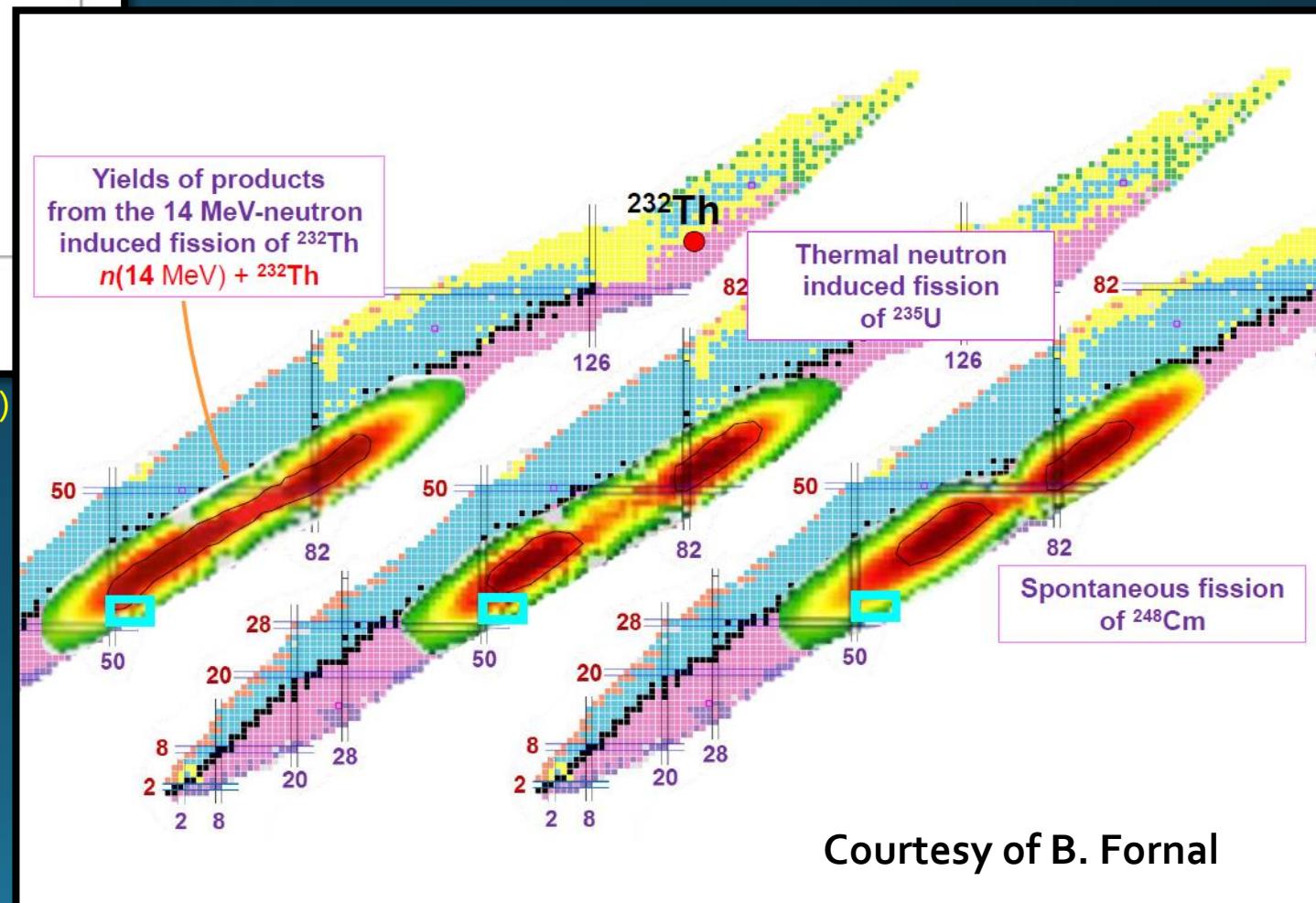
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L.K. Peker et al., Phys. Lett. B36 (1971) 547.



Philip Walker and Zsolt Podolyák, Phys. Scr. 95, 044004 (2020)



Study of the ^{82}Ge isotope

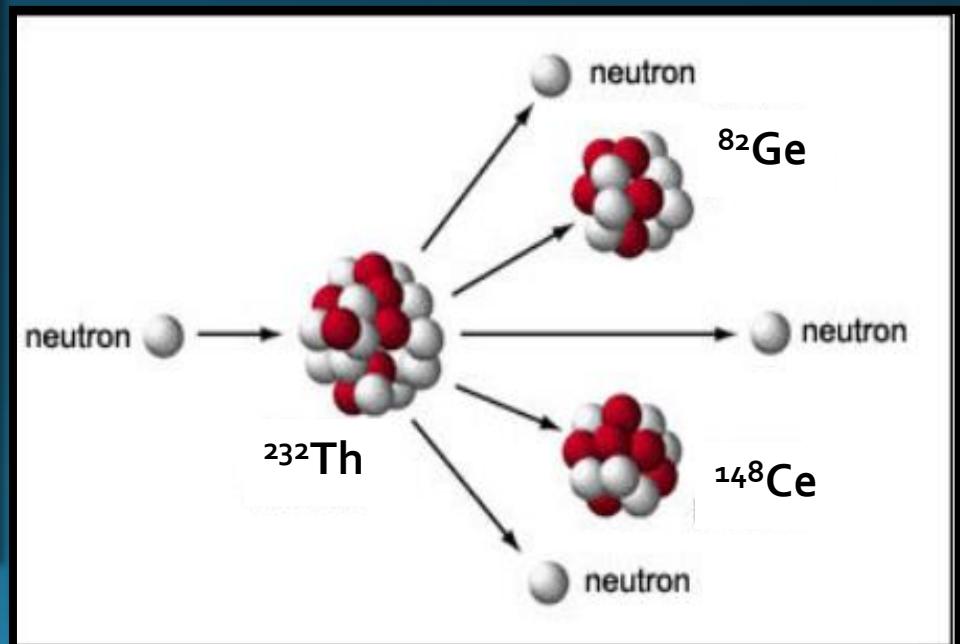
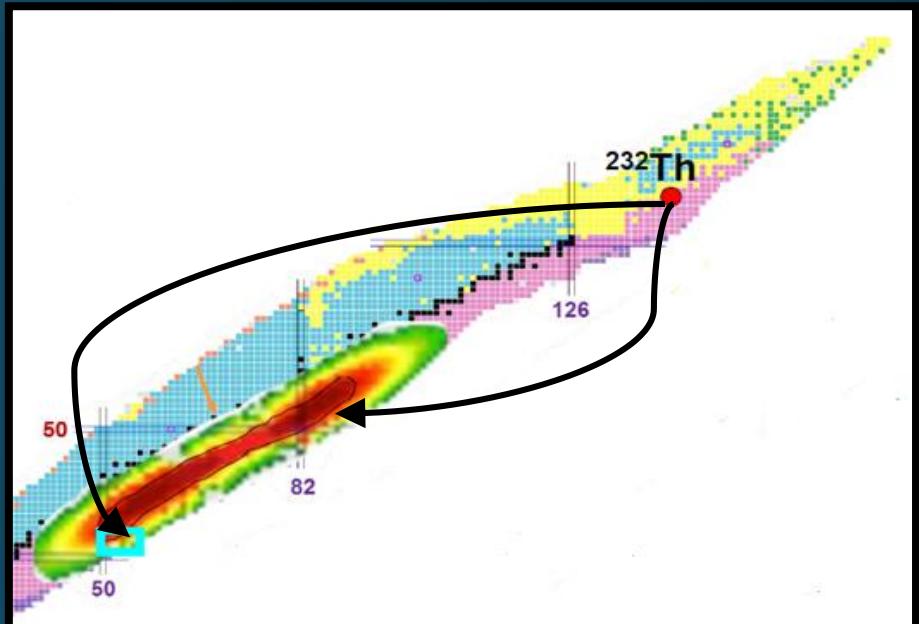
$N = 50$



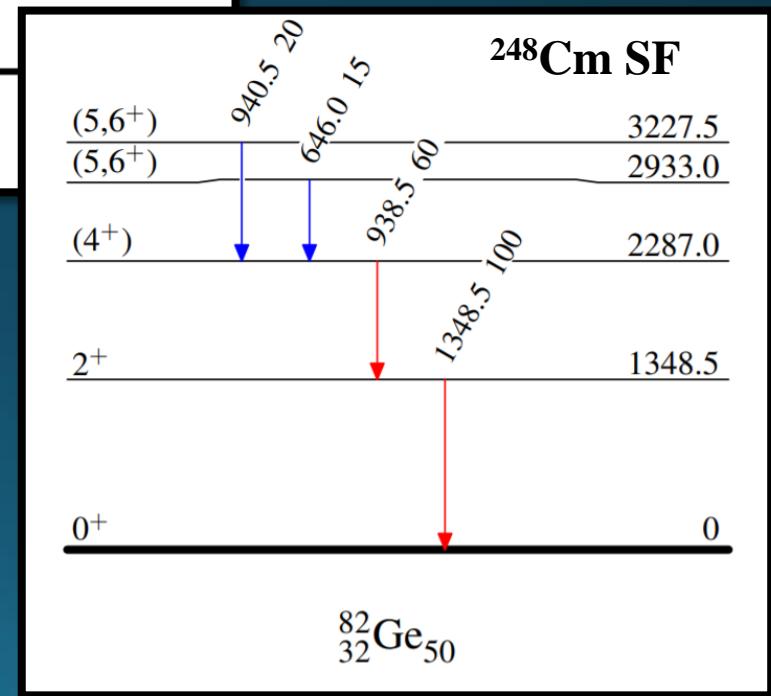
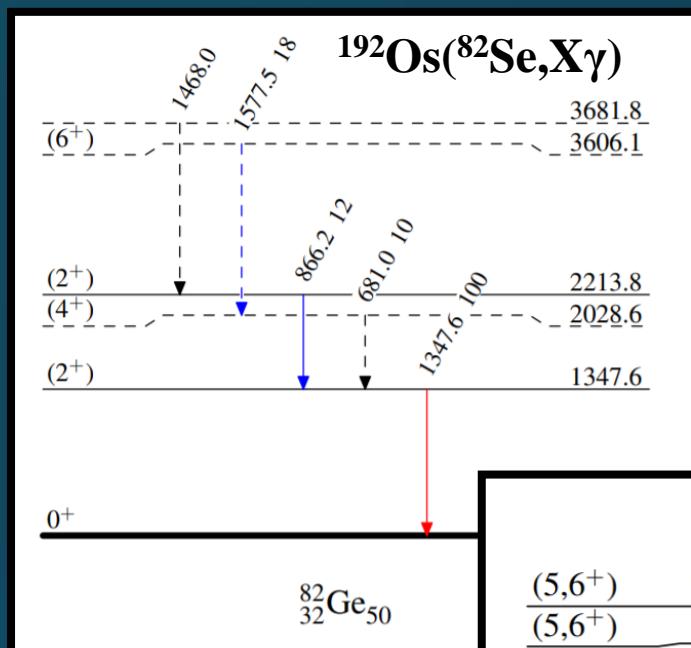
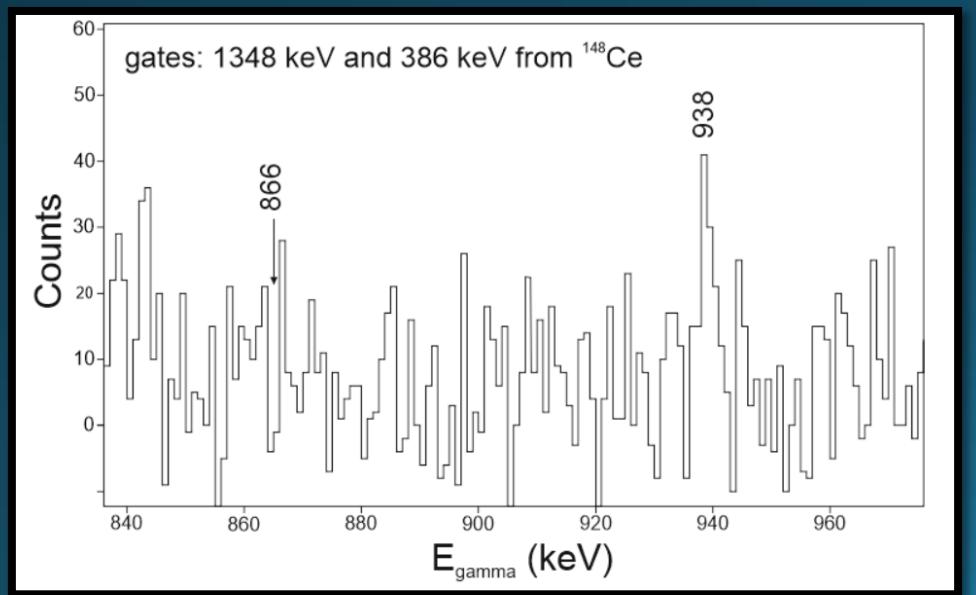
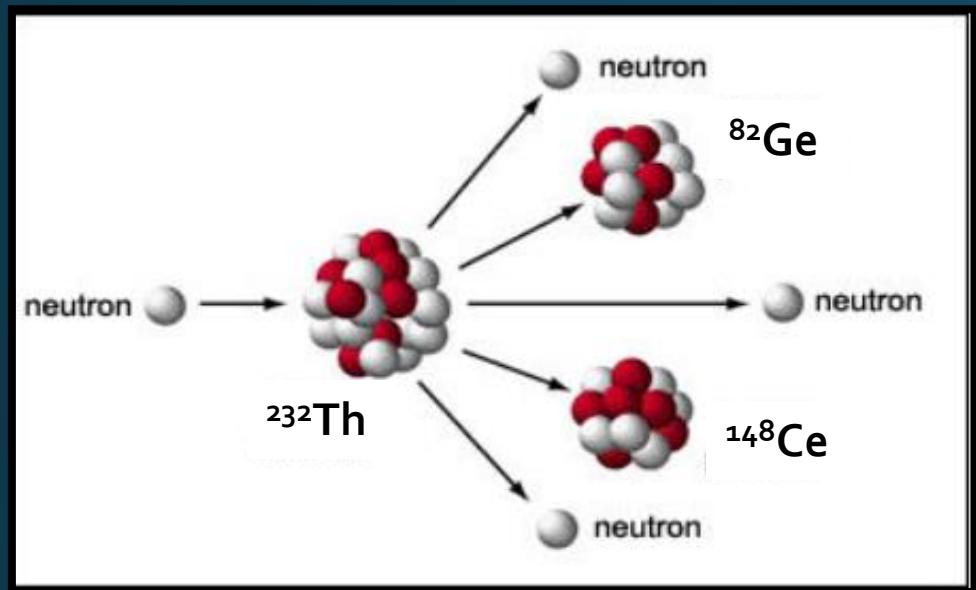
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73Cu	74Cu	75Cu	76Cu	77Cu	78Cu	79Cu	80Cu	81Cu	82Cu		
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78Ni

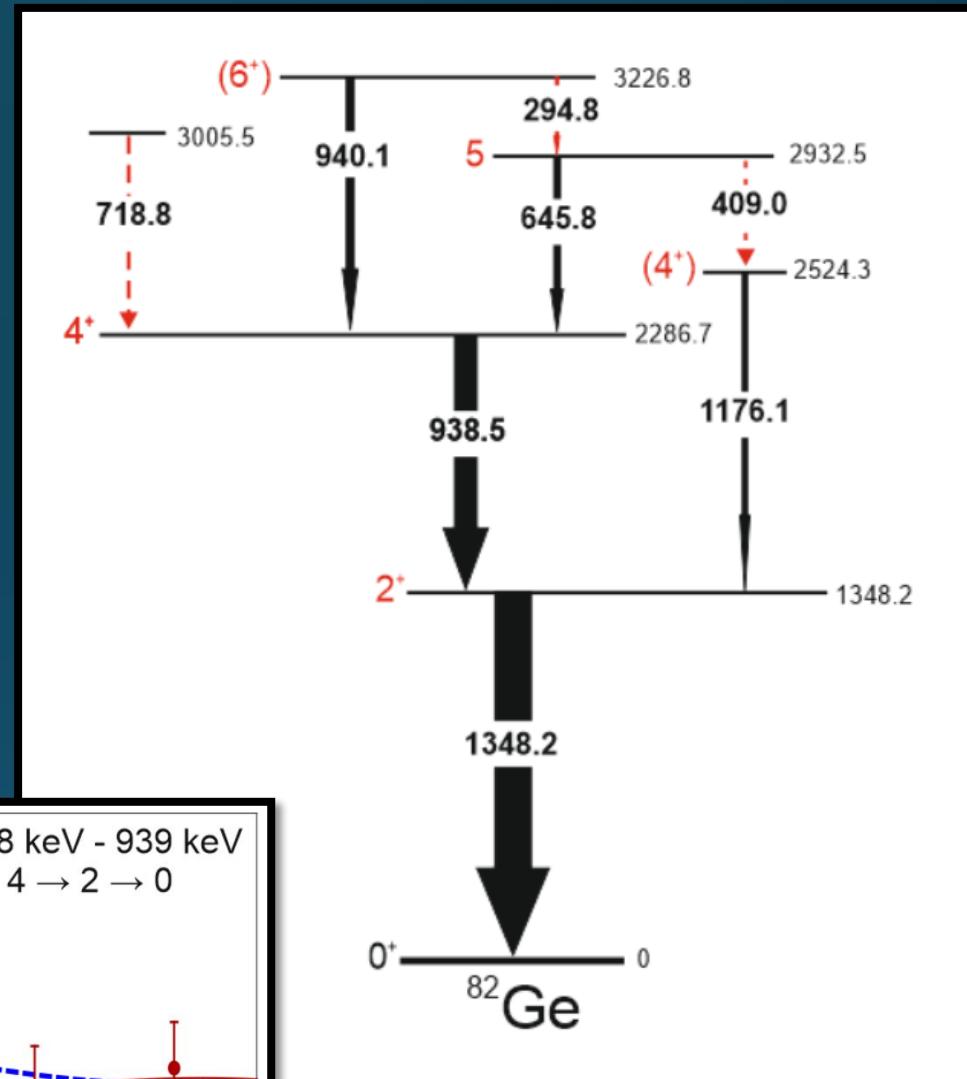
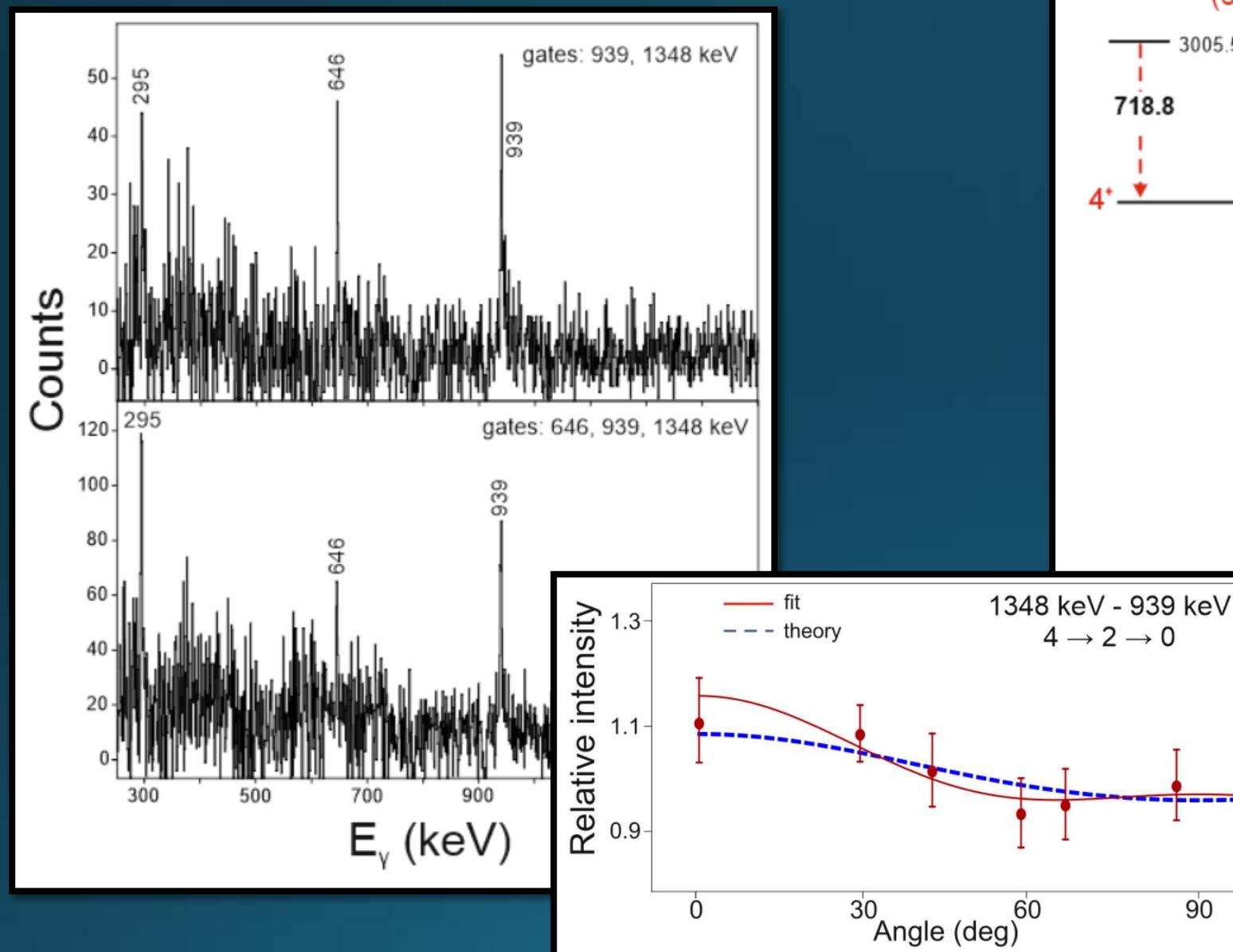
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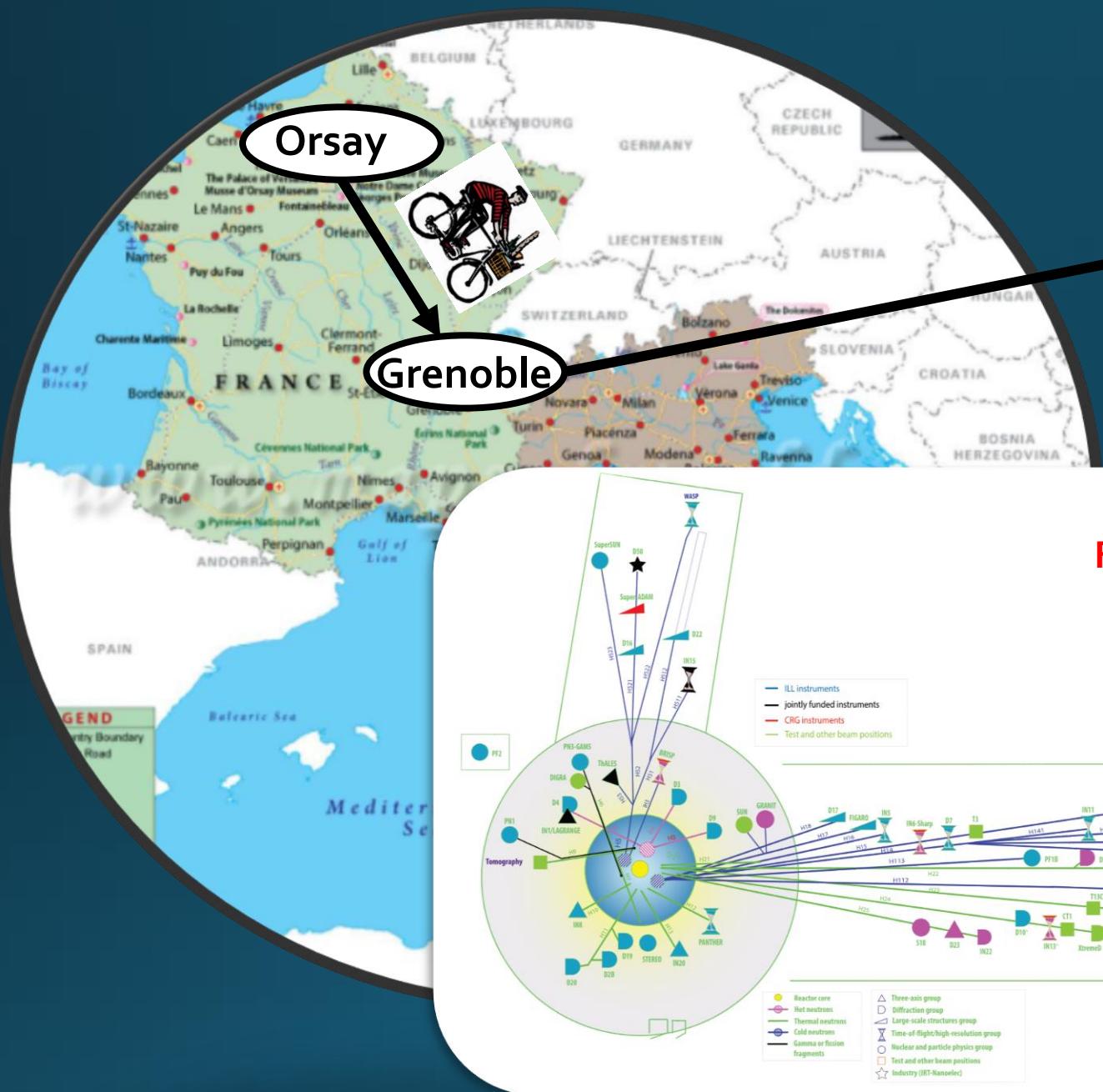
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Analysis in progress ...



ILL reactor – 55 MW

Most intense continuous neutron flux in the world – $1.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

$\sim 10^8 \text{ n s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at target position

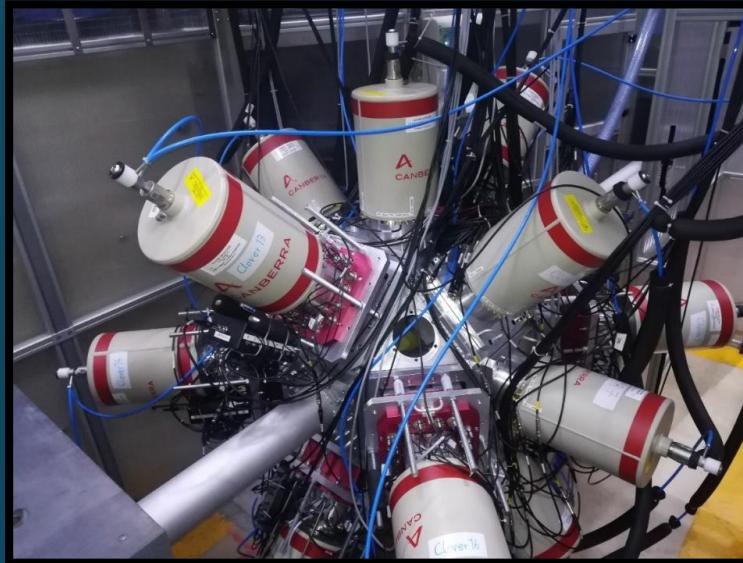
EXILL campaign EXogam@ILL (2012)



- 10 clover detectors
- 6 large coaxial detectors
- Neutrons induced fission of on ^{235}U and ^{241}Pu

Ł. W. Iskra *et al.*, p.64 Annual Report ILL (2017)
Ł. W. Iskra *et al.*, EPL 117, 12001 (2017)
Ł. W. Iskra *et al.*, Acta Phys. Pol. B 48, 581 (2017)
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FIPPS FISSION Product Prompt γ -ray Spectrometer



- 16 clover detectors

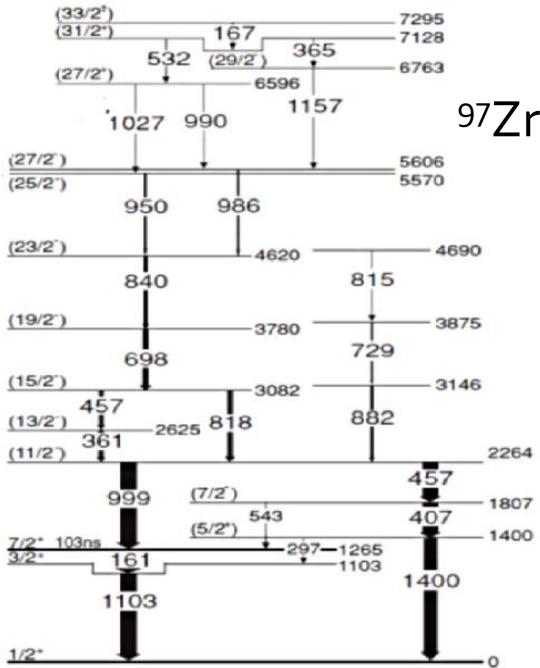
C. Michelagnoli *et al.*, EPJ 193, 04009 (2018).

- Neutron induced fission of on ^{233}U and ^{235}U
- ~50 days of measurements with each target

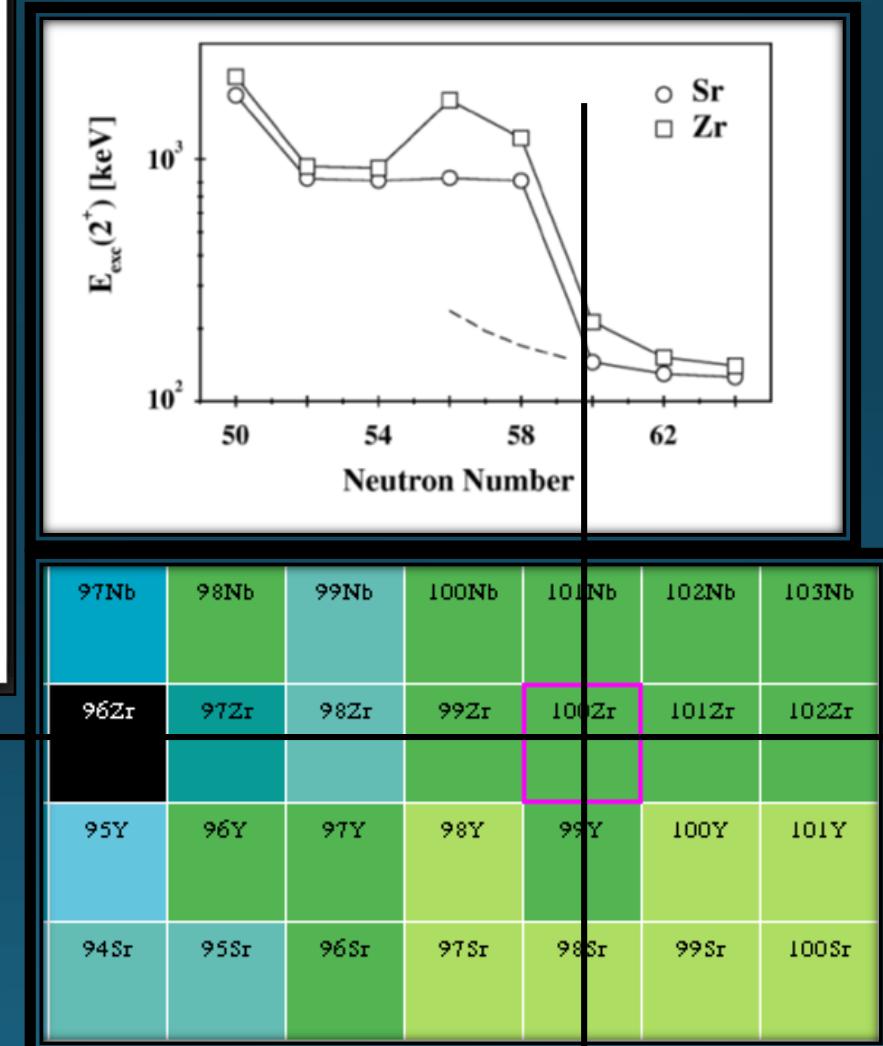


Searching for the onset of shape coexistence before $N = 60$

M. Matejska-Minda, B. Fornal et al., PRC 80, 017302(2009)

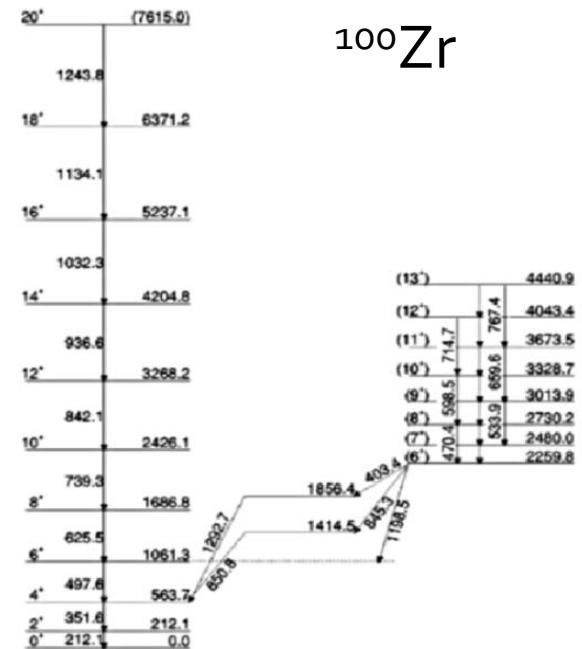


$Z = 40$



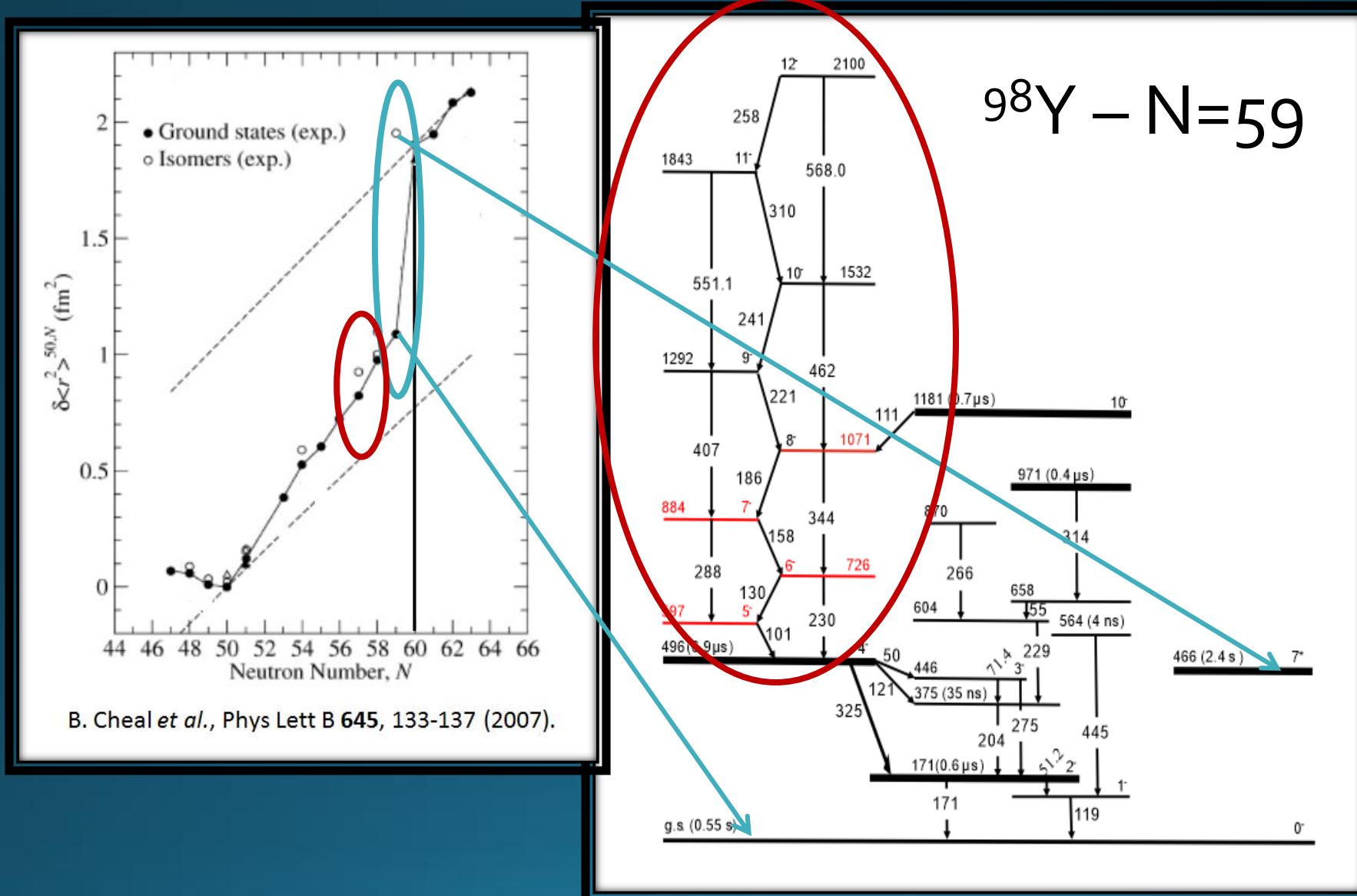
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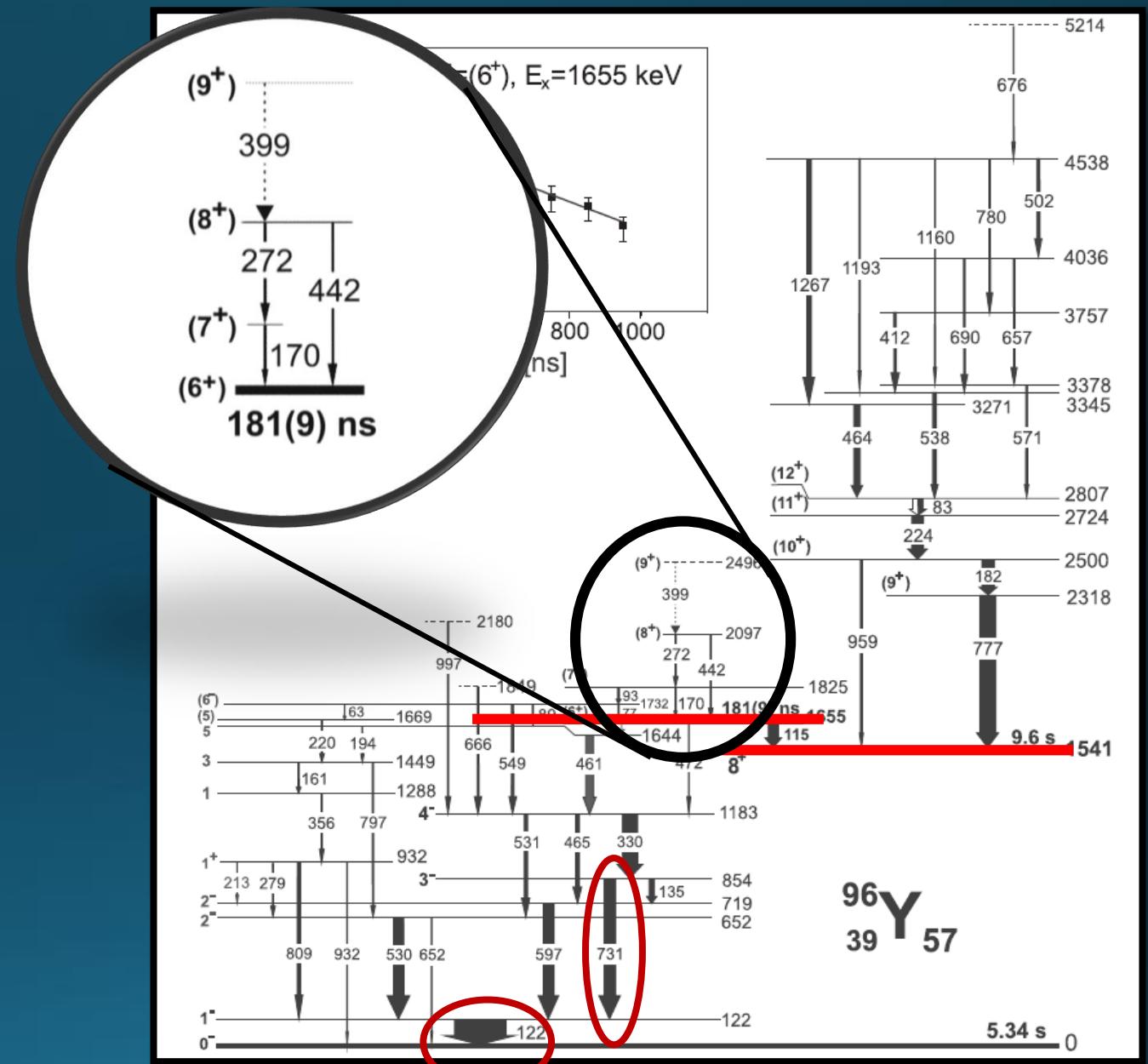
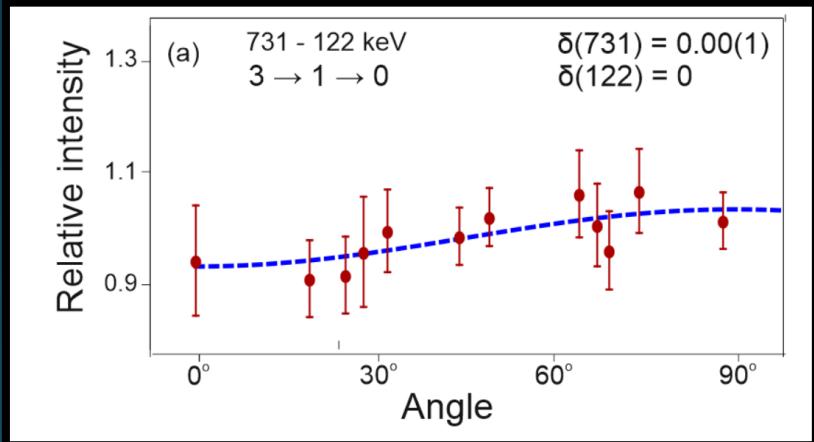
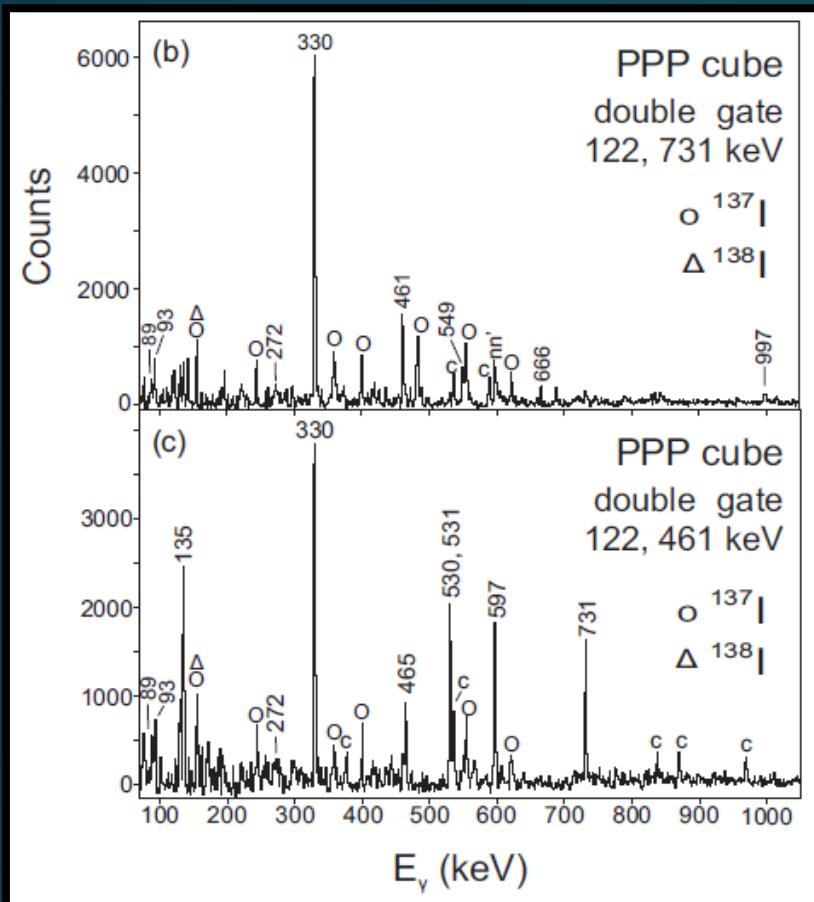
H. Hua et al., PRC 69, 014317 (2004)



^{100}Zr

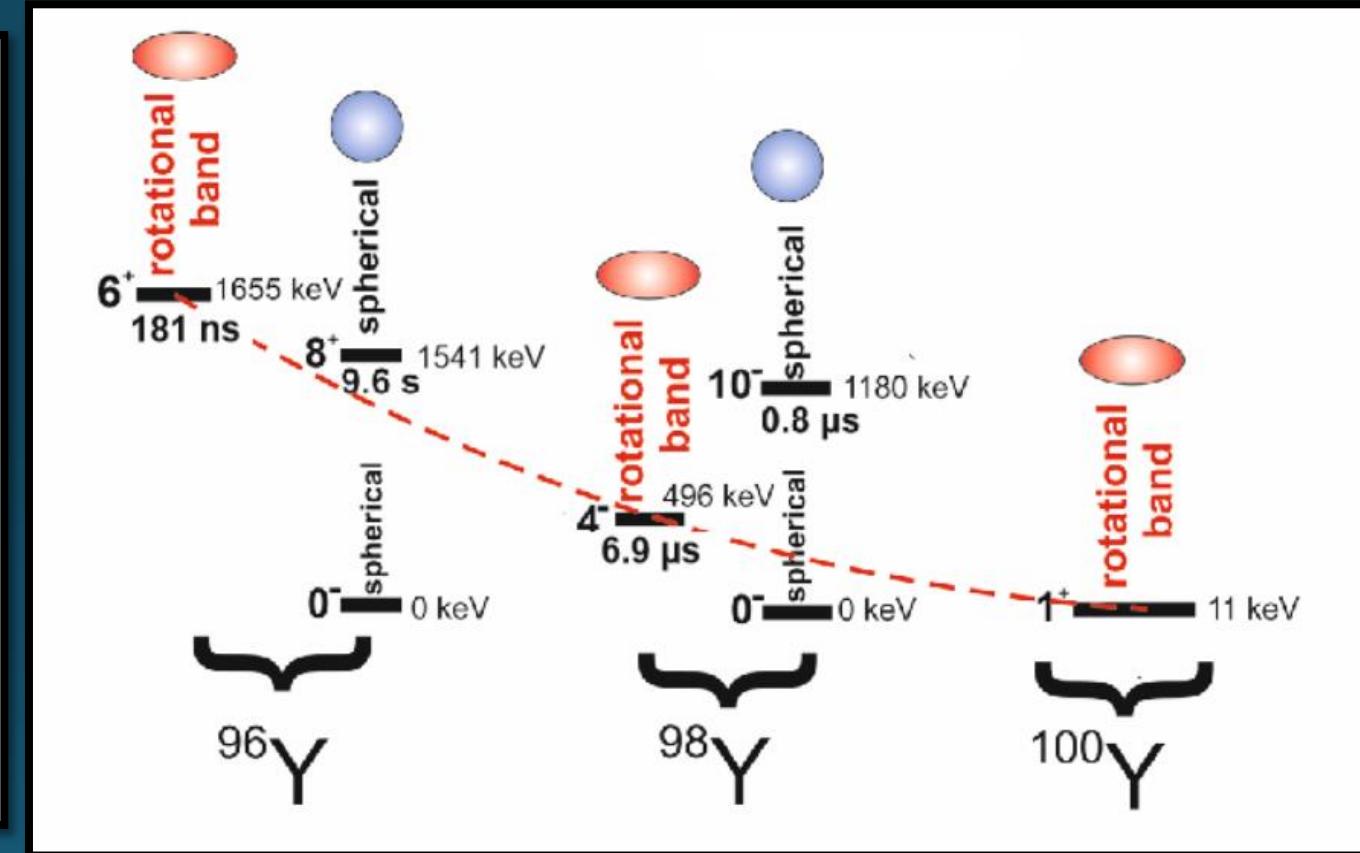
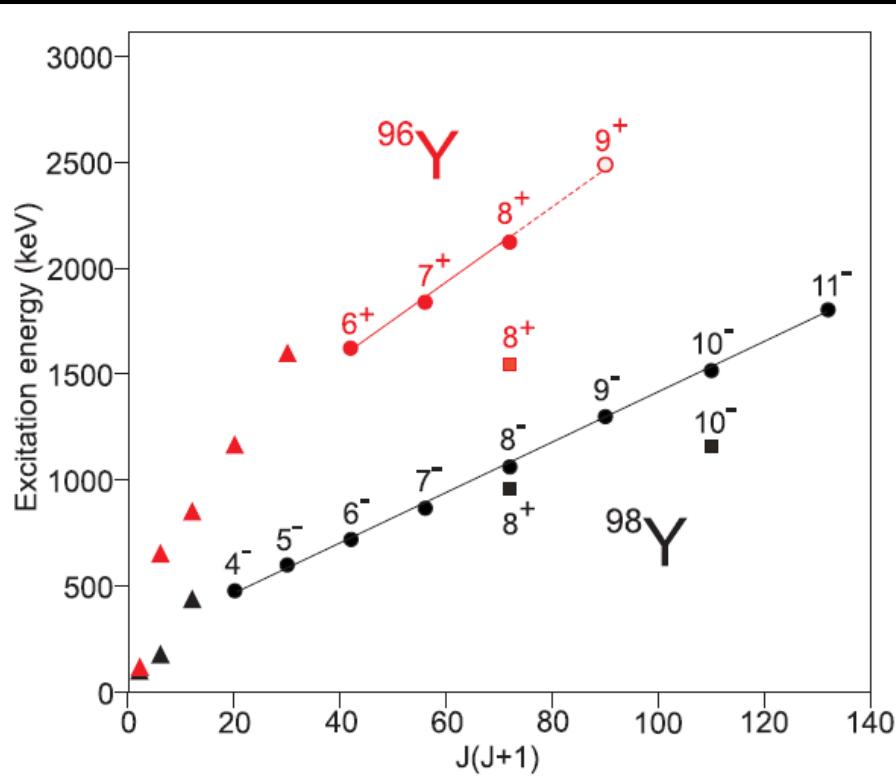
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Shape evolution in the Y isotopic chain

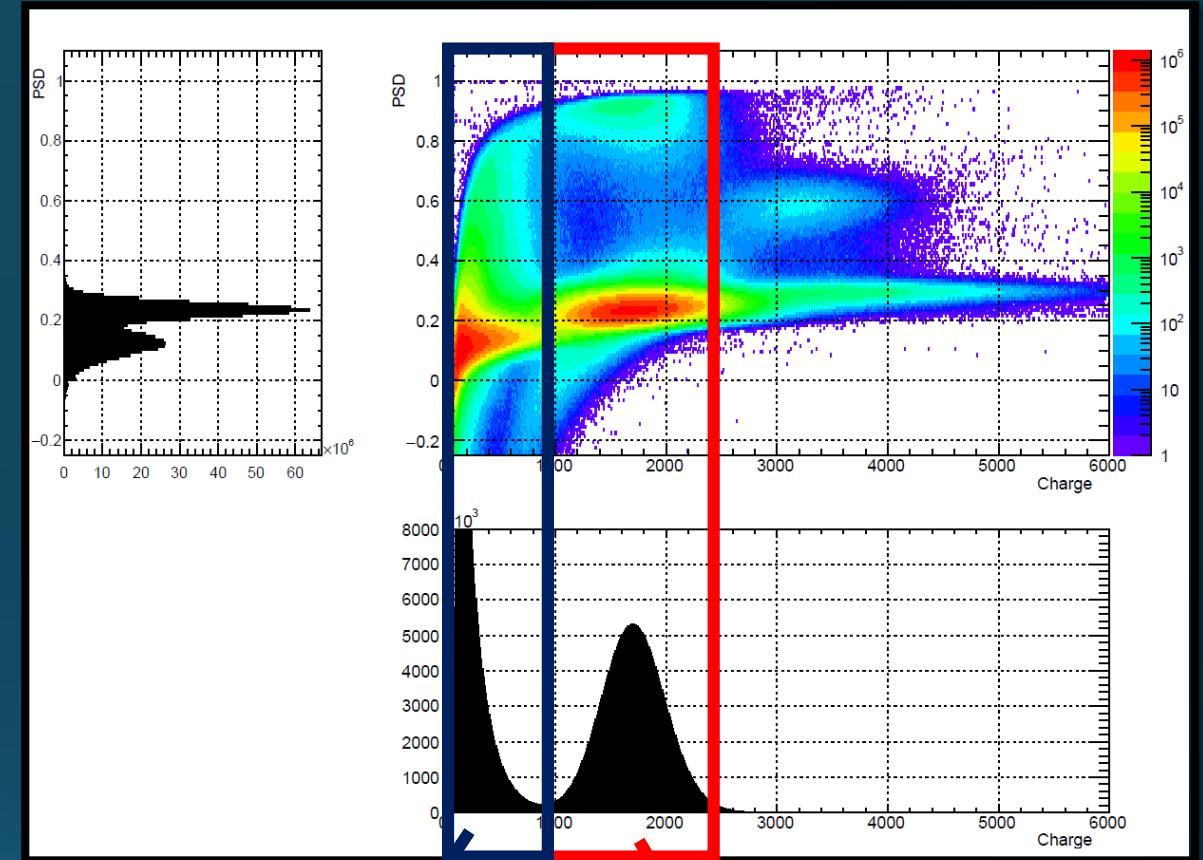
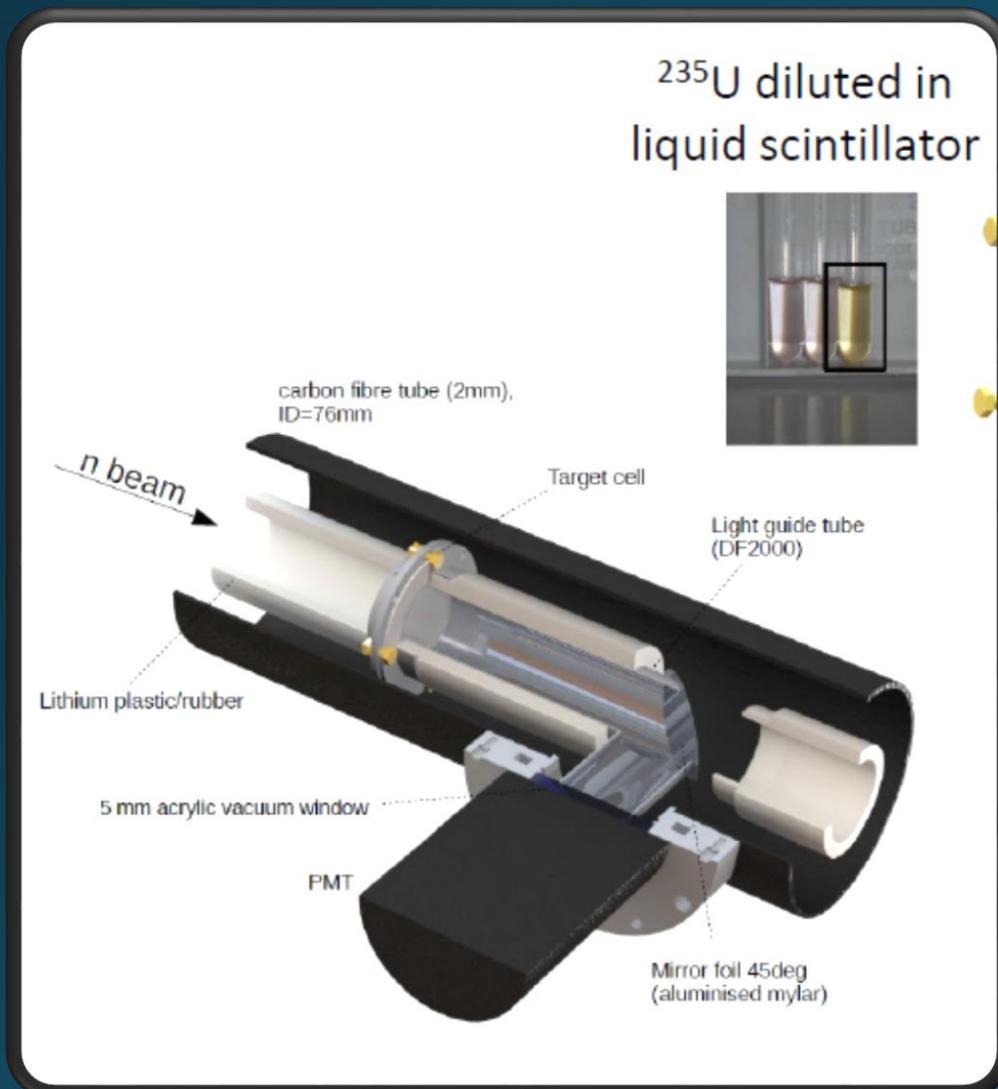
Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov calculations



No sudden onset of deformation at $N = 60$ but gradually decrease in energy !?

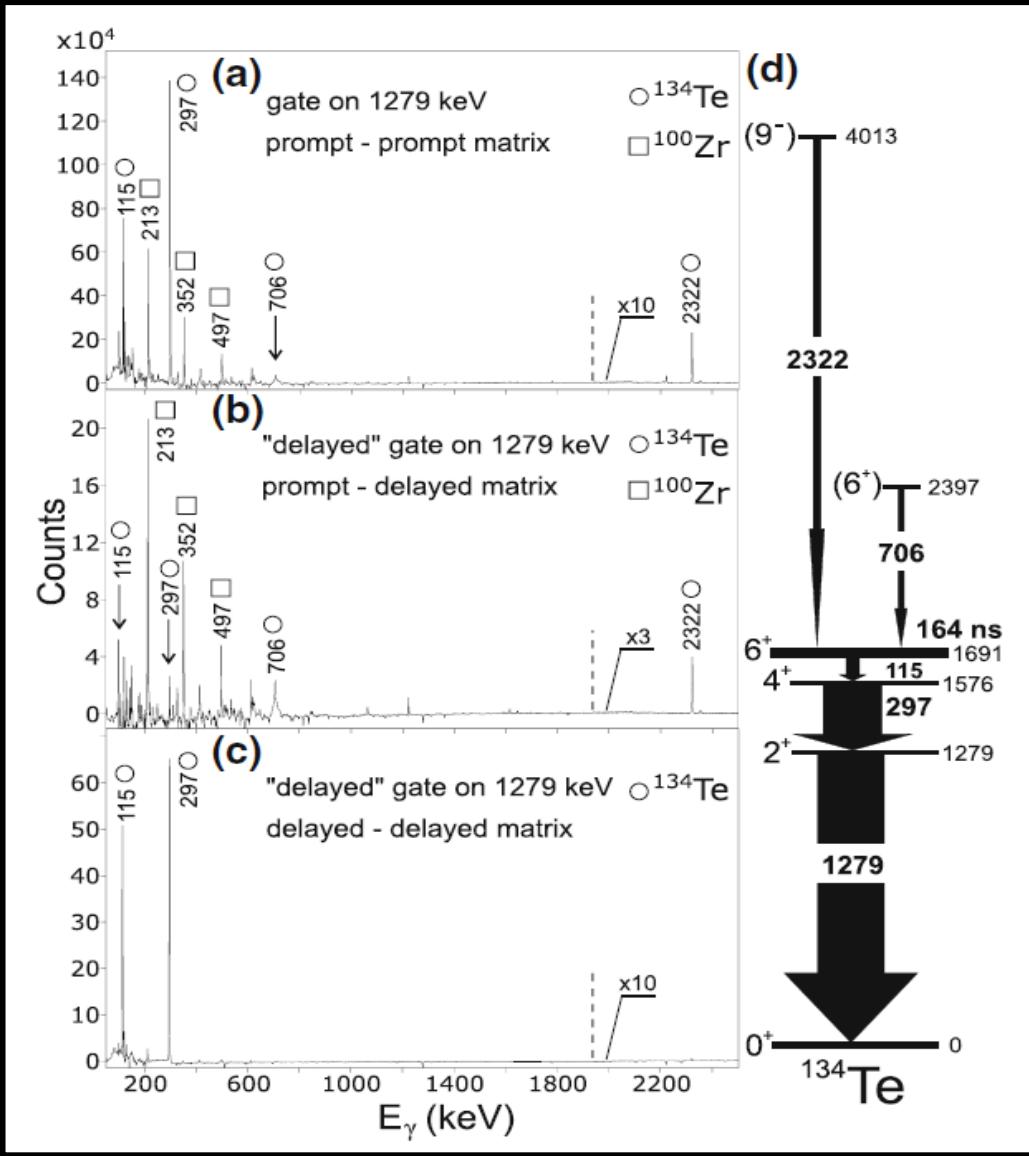
First observation of a deformed structure in an $N = 57$ isotope

Active fission target

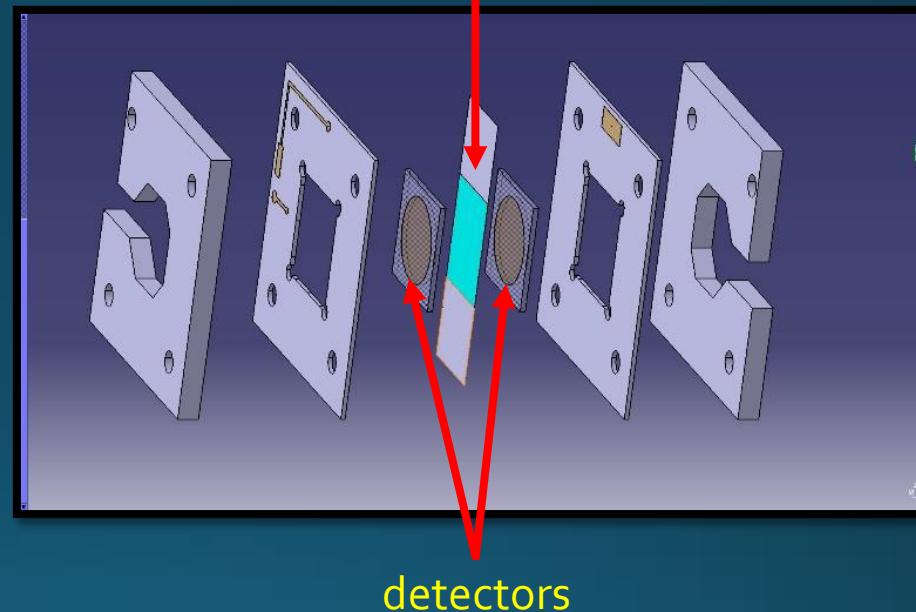


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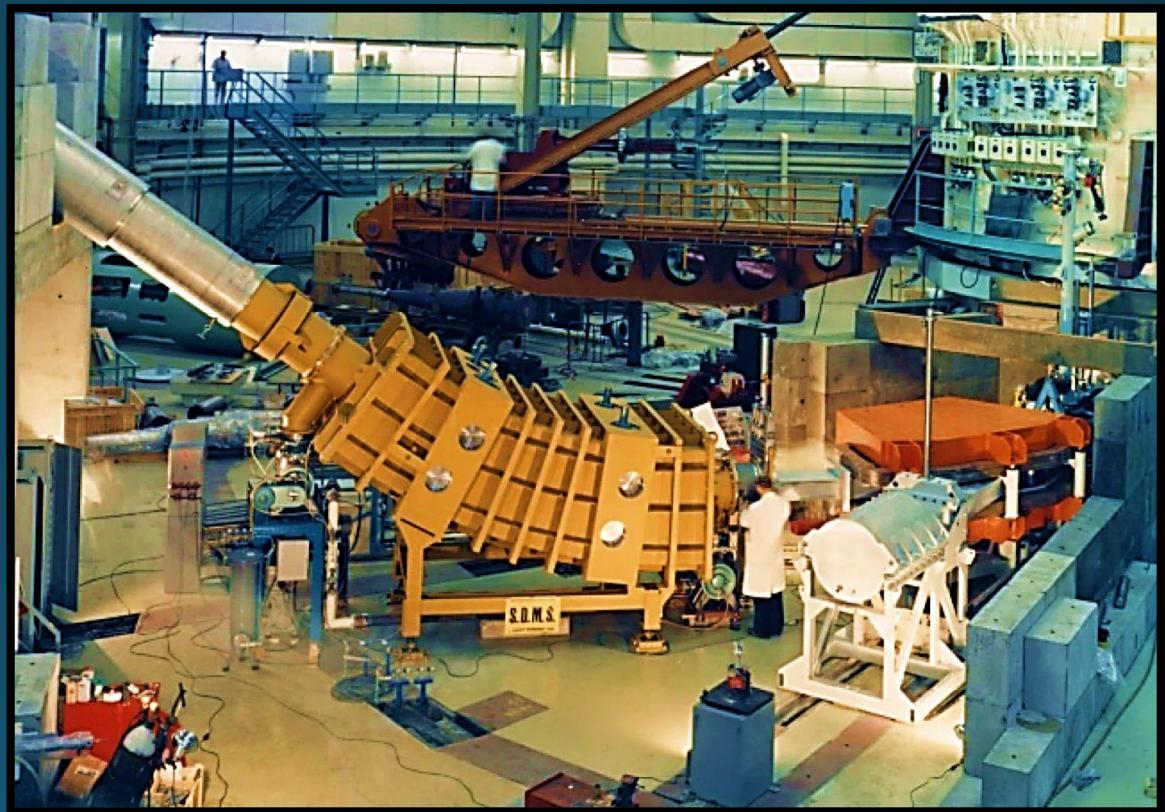
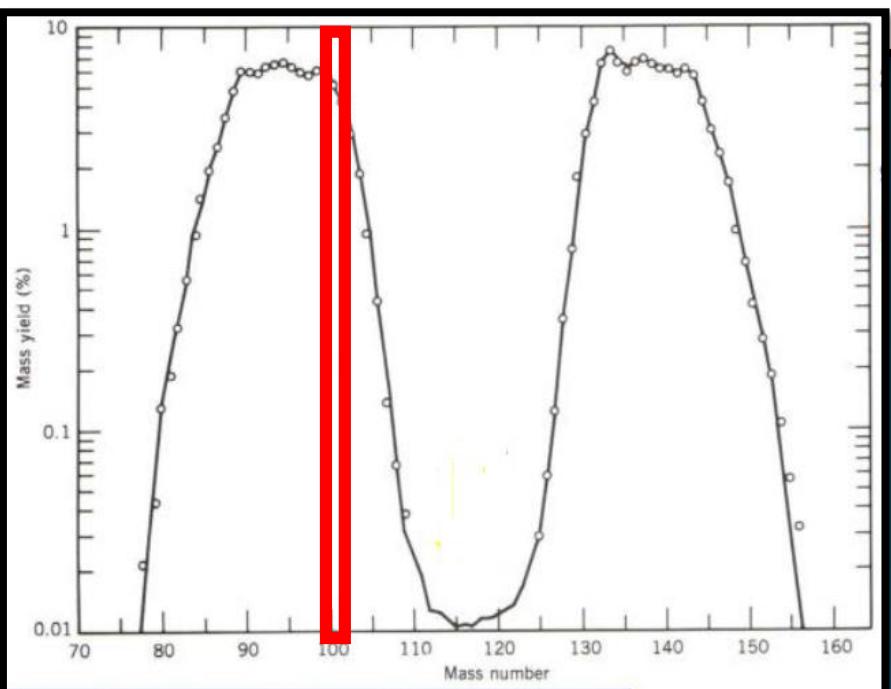
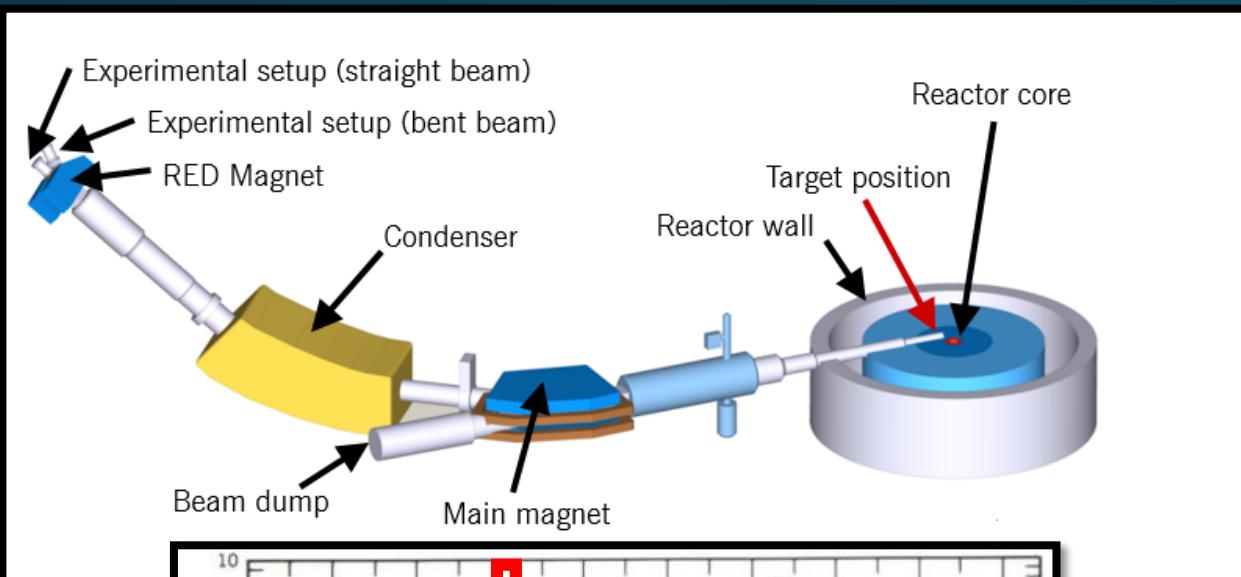


- + $^{235}\text{U}(n,f)$
 - + $^{233}\text{U}(n,f)$
 - ✗ $^{239,241}\text{Pu}, ^{243,245,247}\text{Cm}, ^{242}\text{Am}, \dots$
- solid target



- Silicon detectors (Si)
- Diamond detectors (CVD)
- Silicon carbide detectors (SiC)

LOHENGREN fission fragment separator



Mass-separated fragments, $\sim 10^5$ /s, $t_{1/2} \sim \mu\text{s}$

Test of diamond detectors with LOHENGRIN

$2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$



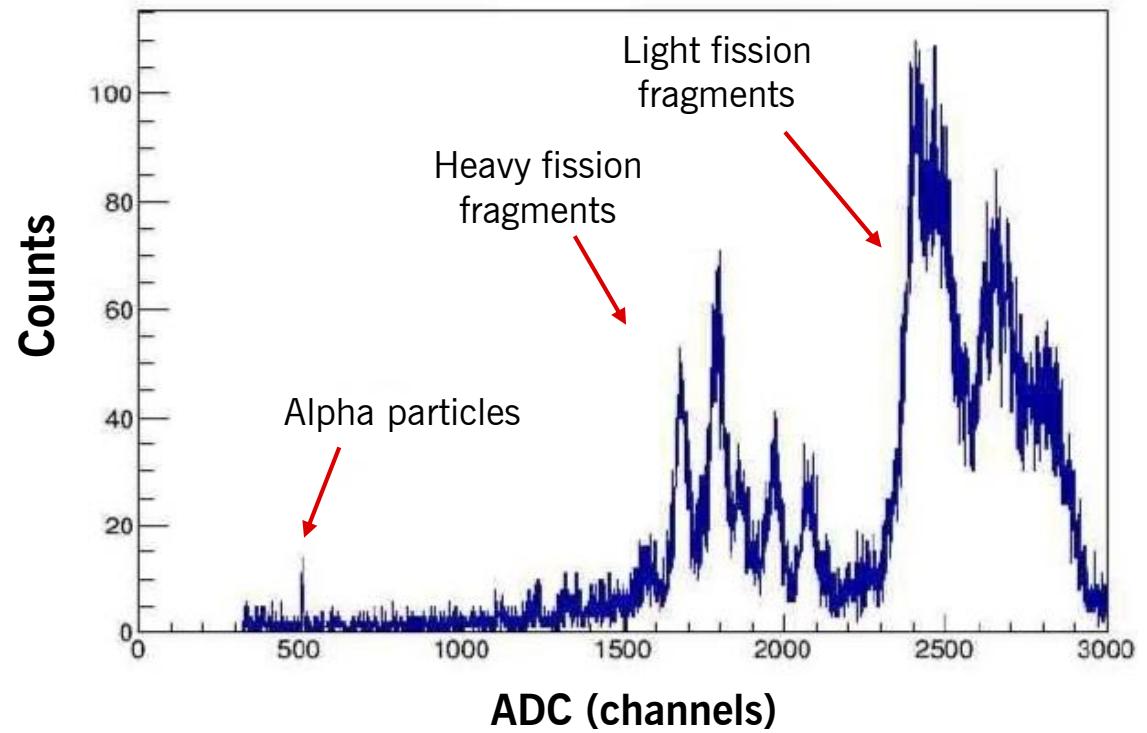
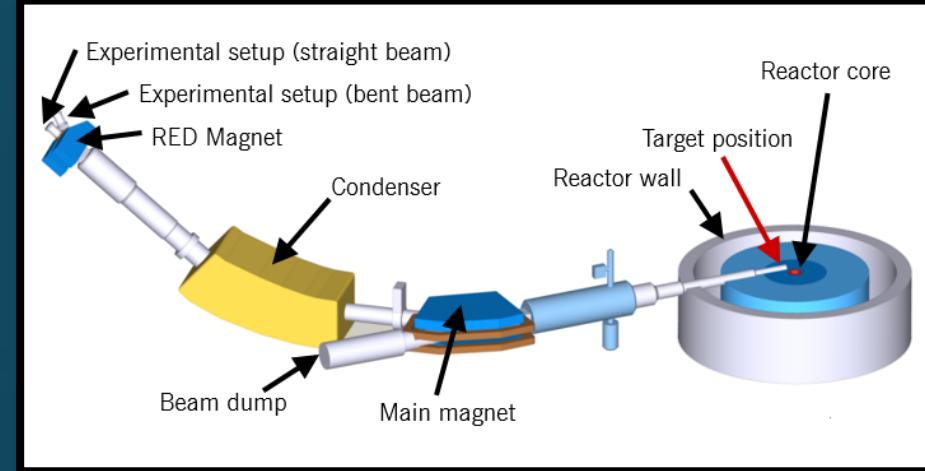
IFJ PAN

$10 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$



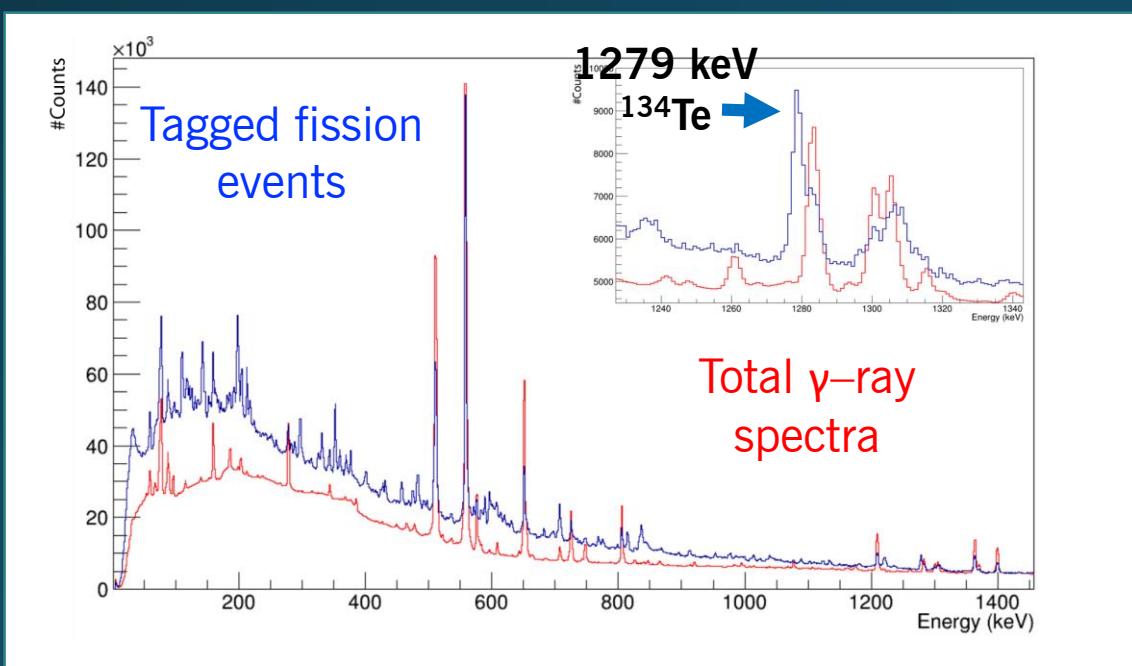
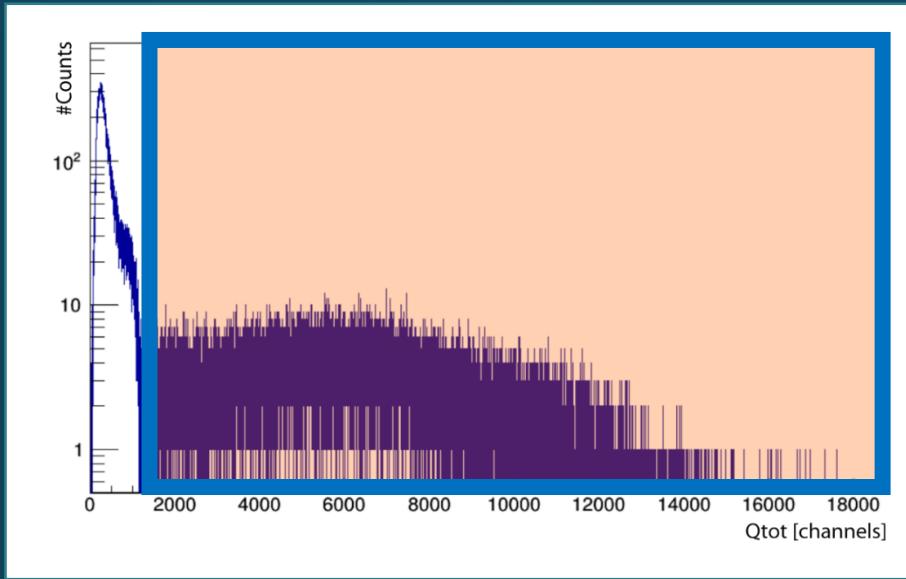
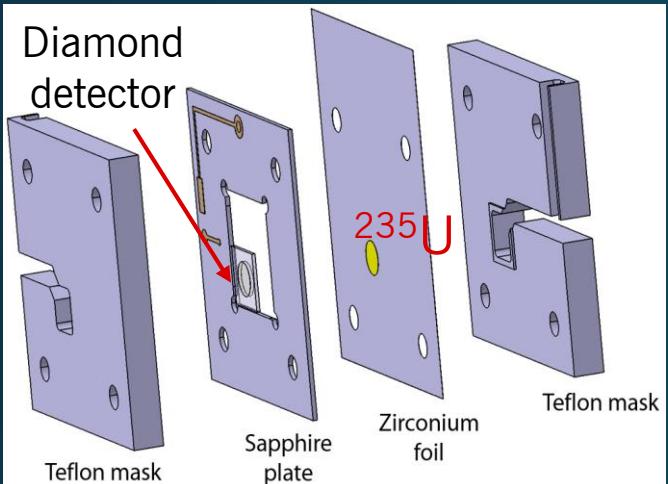
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Preamplifiers , electronic support
and data acquisition system:
INFN Milano - C. Boiano and S. Brambilla



Test of diamond detectors with FIPPS

Figures from the thesis



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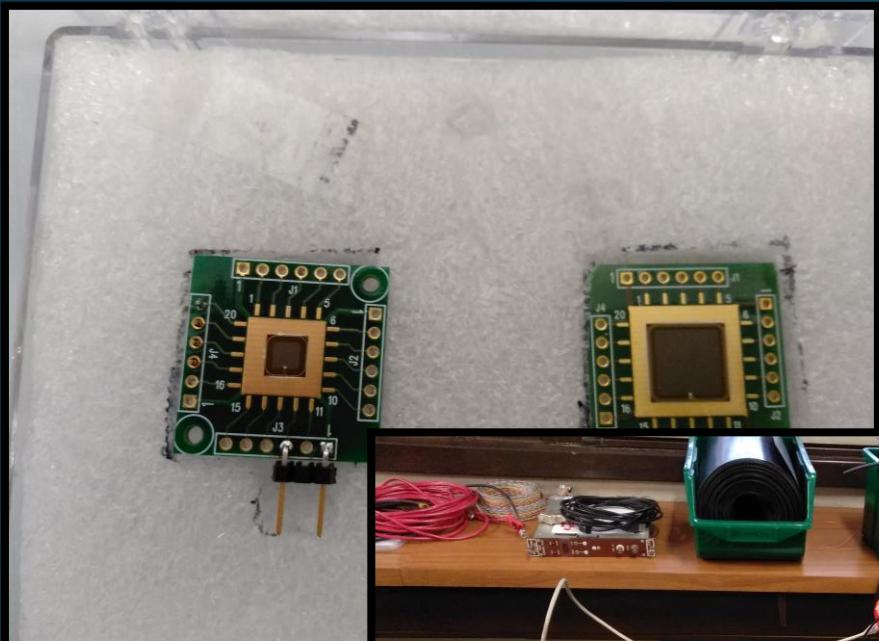
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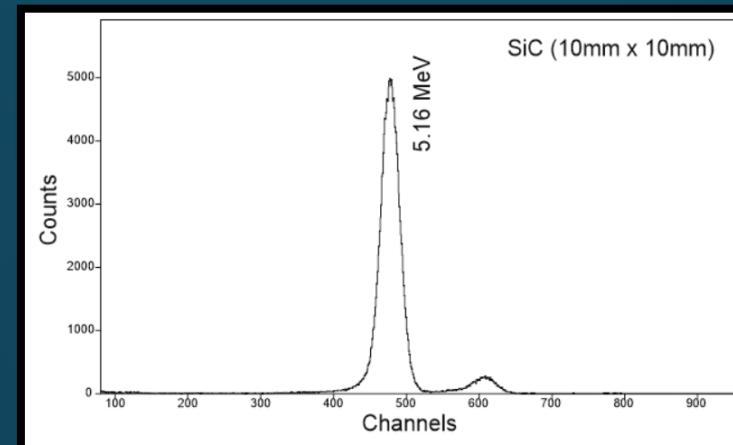
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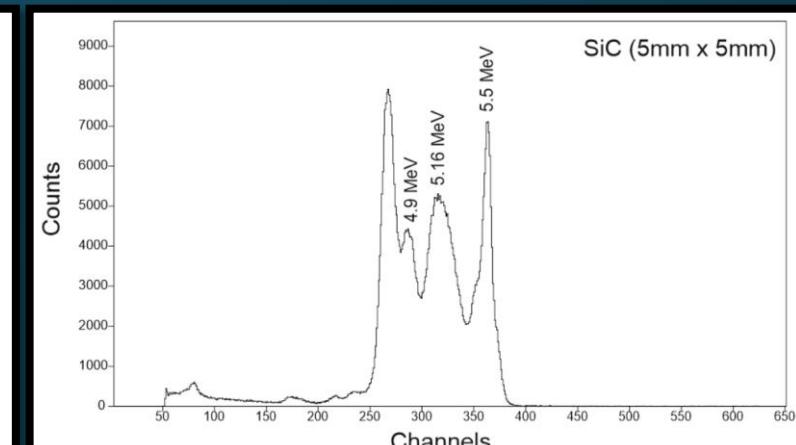
Two SiC detectors received from INFN-Catania



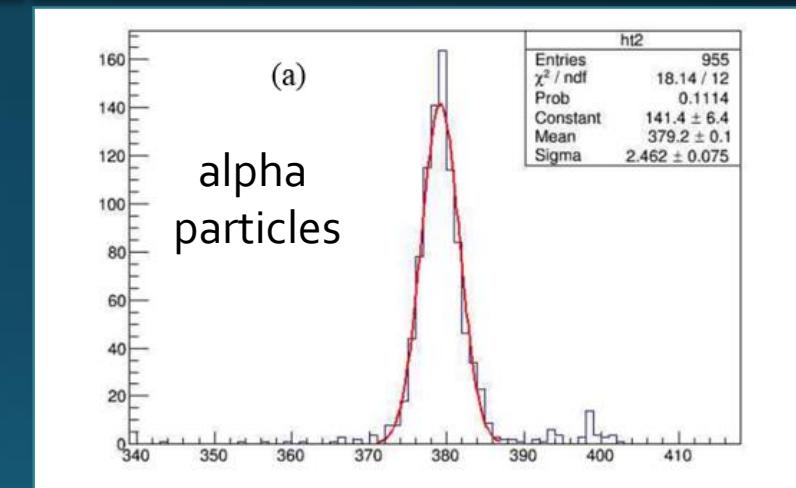
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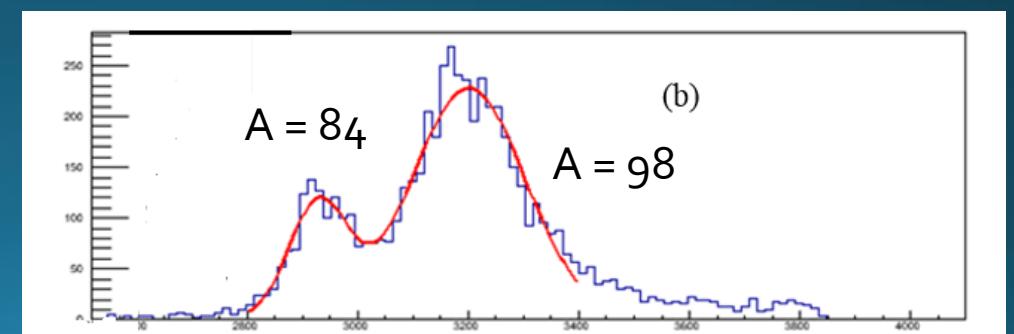
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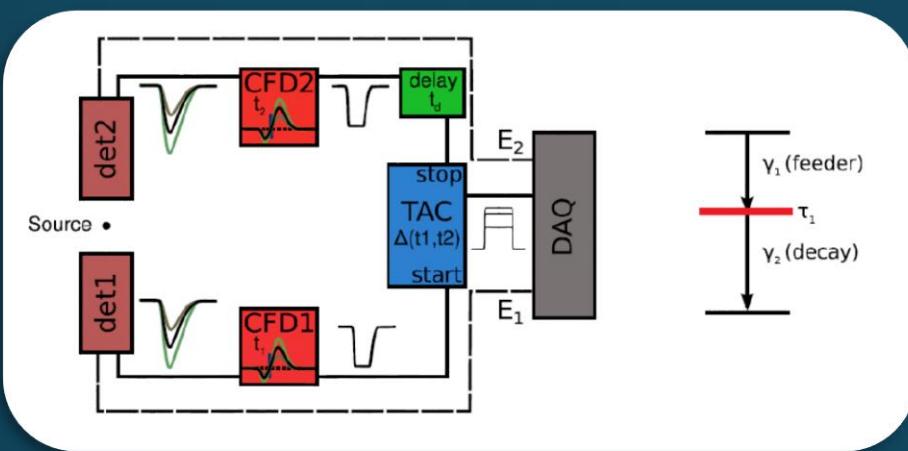
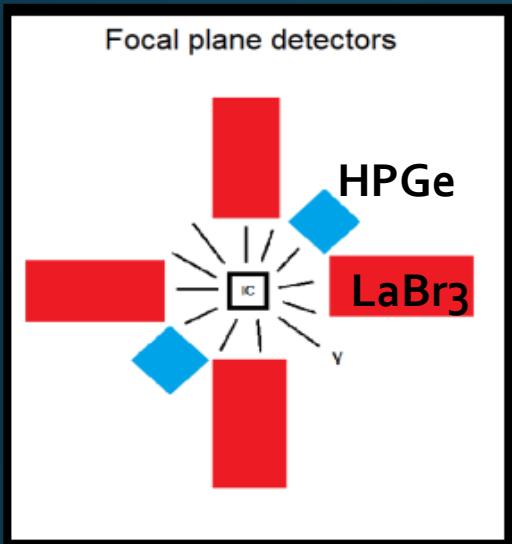
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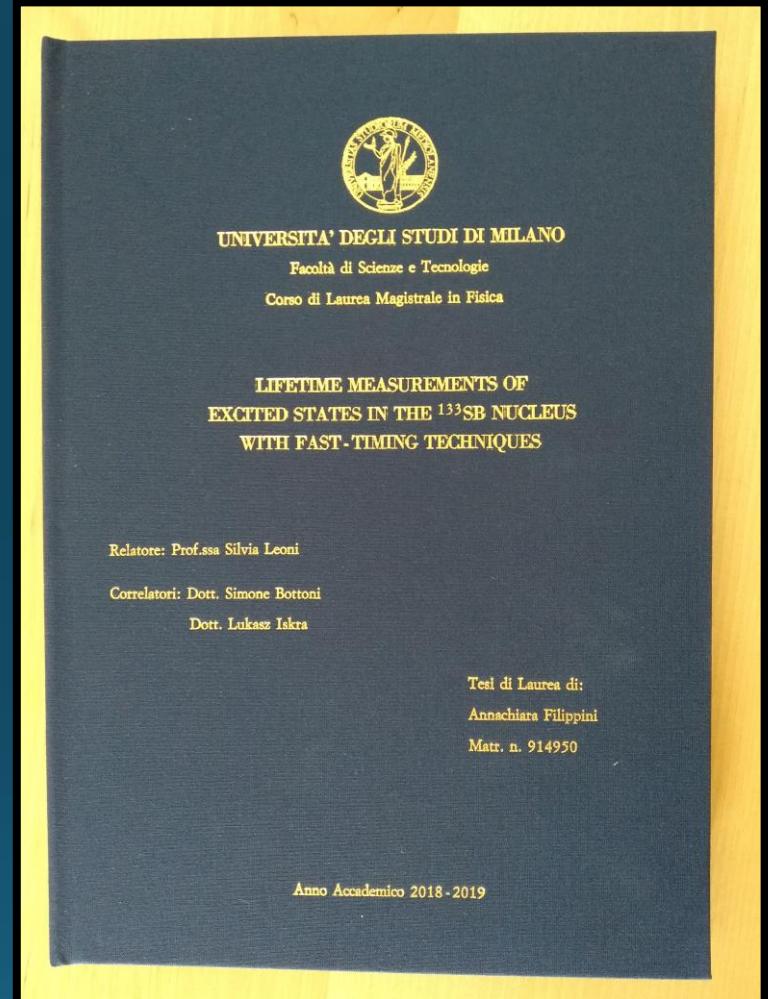
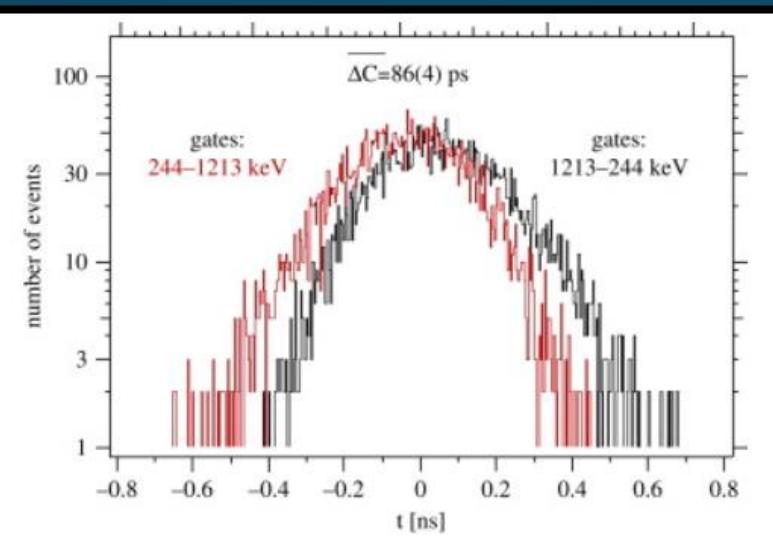
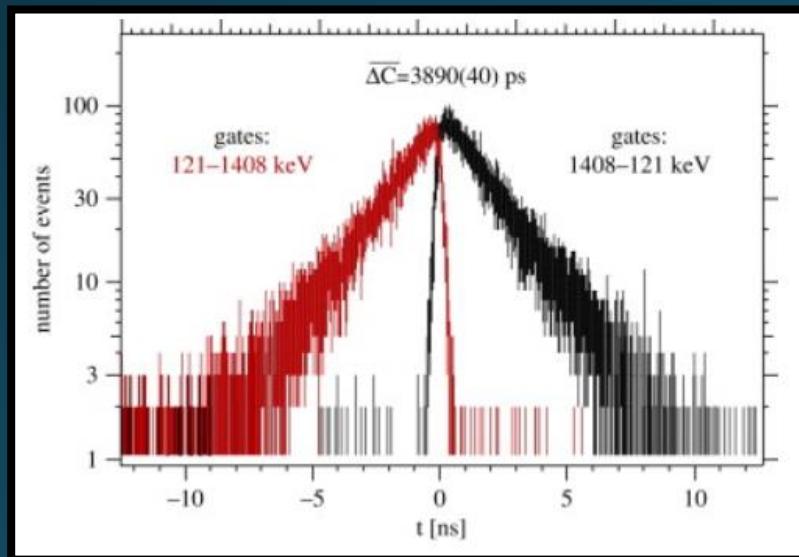
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Lifetimes measurement with LOHENGRIN

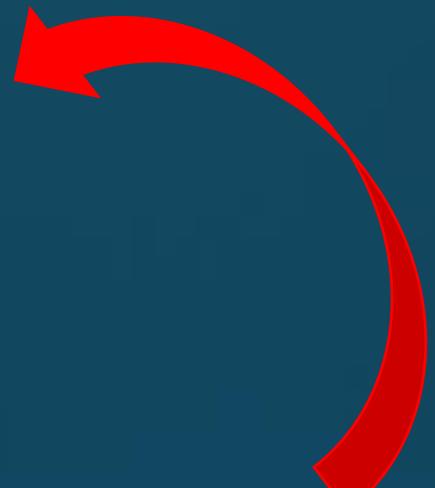


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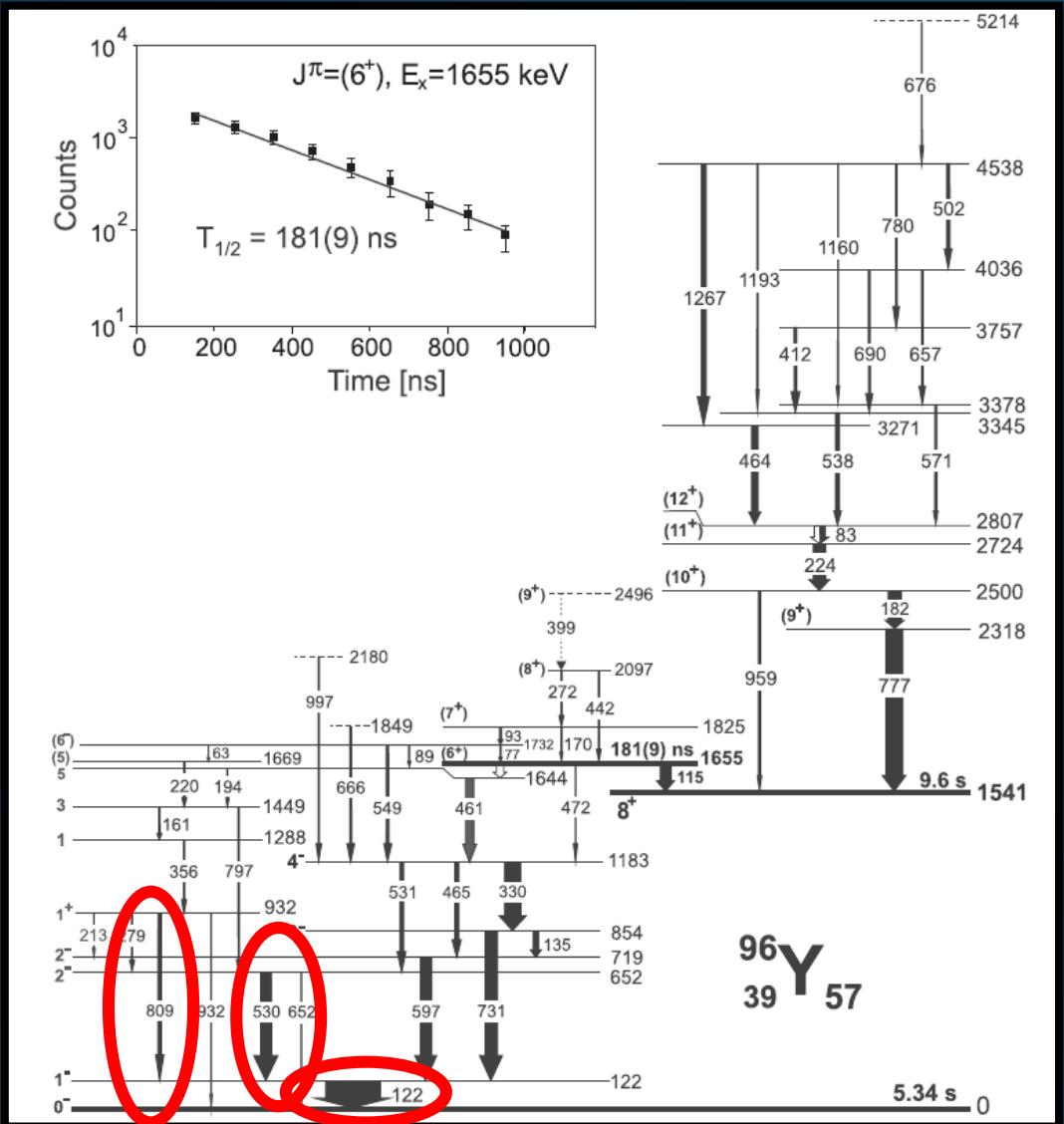
Lifetimes measurements with LOHENGRIN

- ^{96}Y – 22 days of measurement
- ^{95}Y – 10 days of measurement
- ^{94}Y - 6 days of measurement
- ^{93}Y – 3 days of measurement

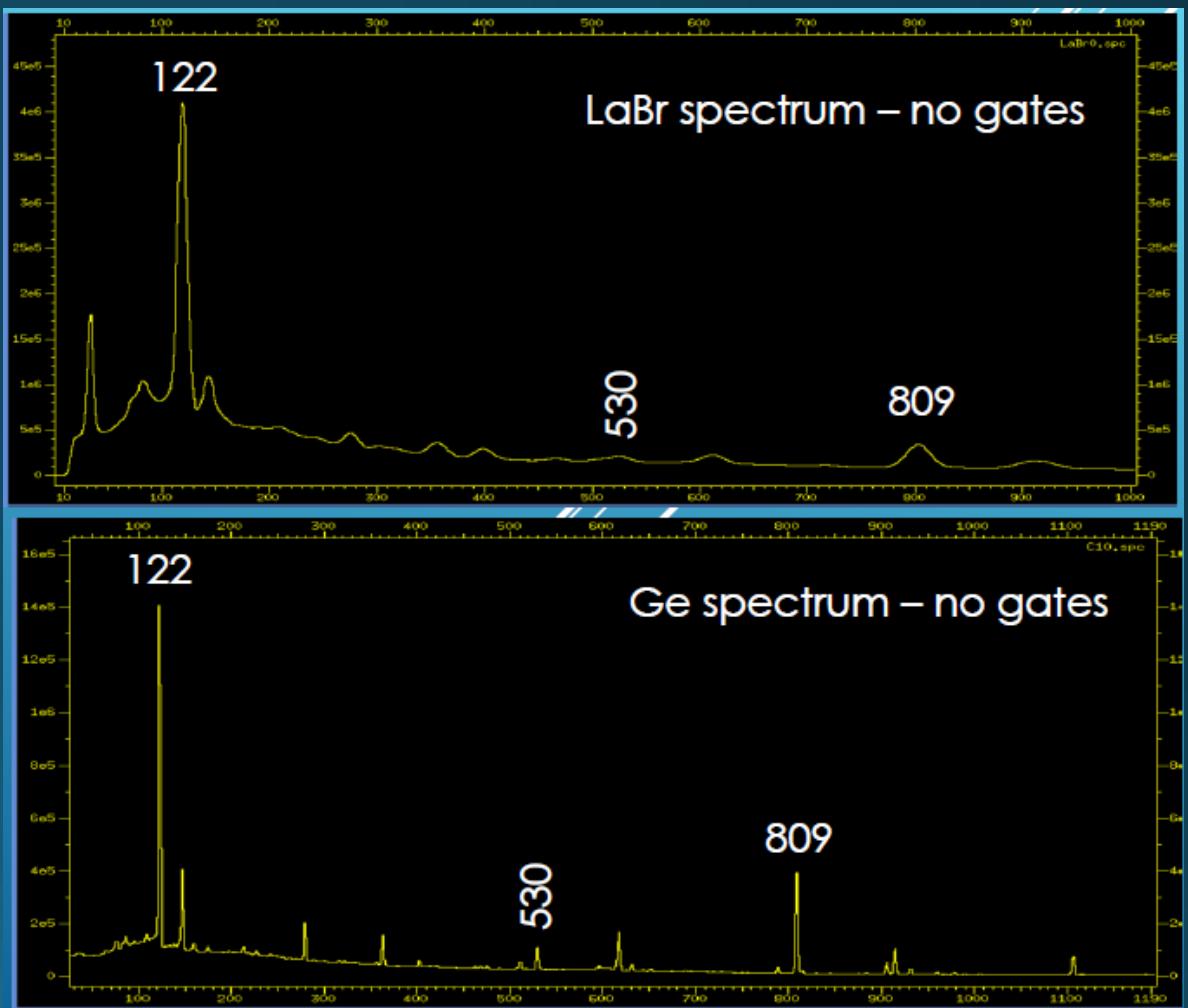


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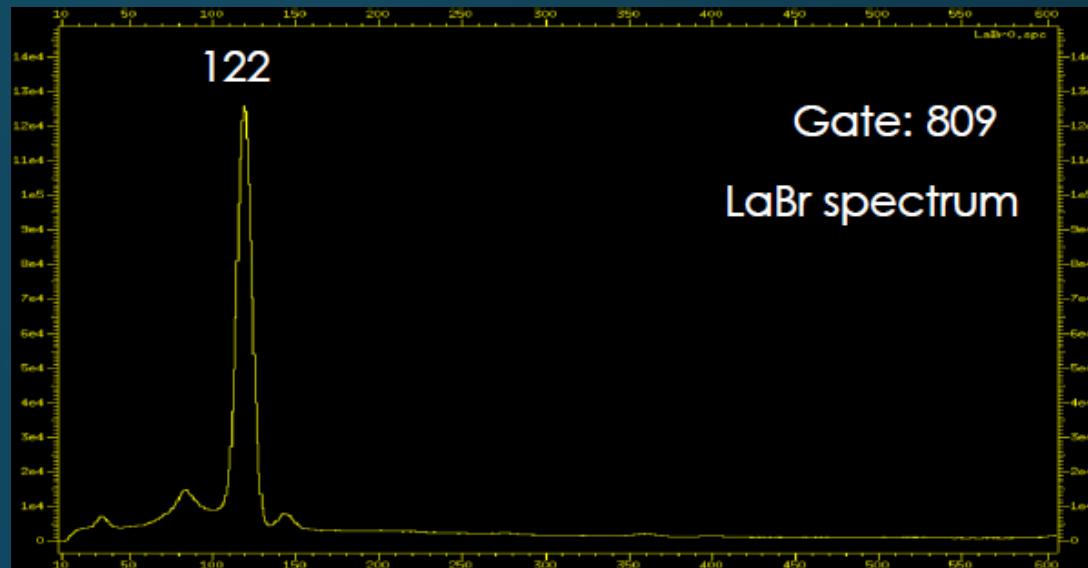
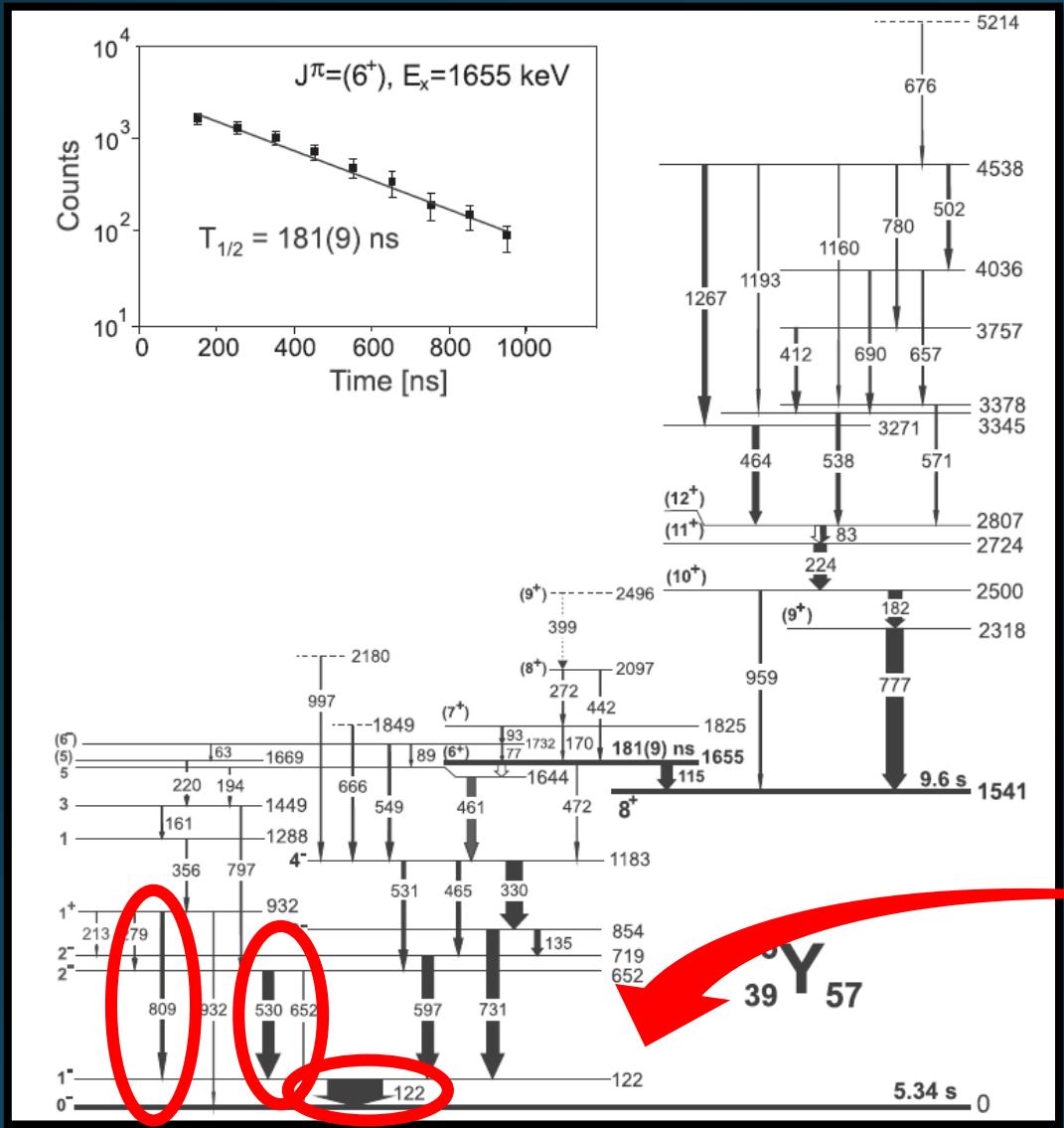
Lifetimes measurement with LOHENGRIN



$A = 96$

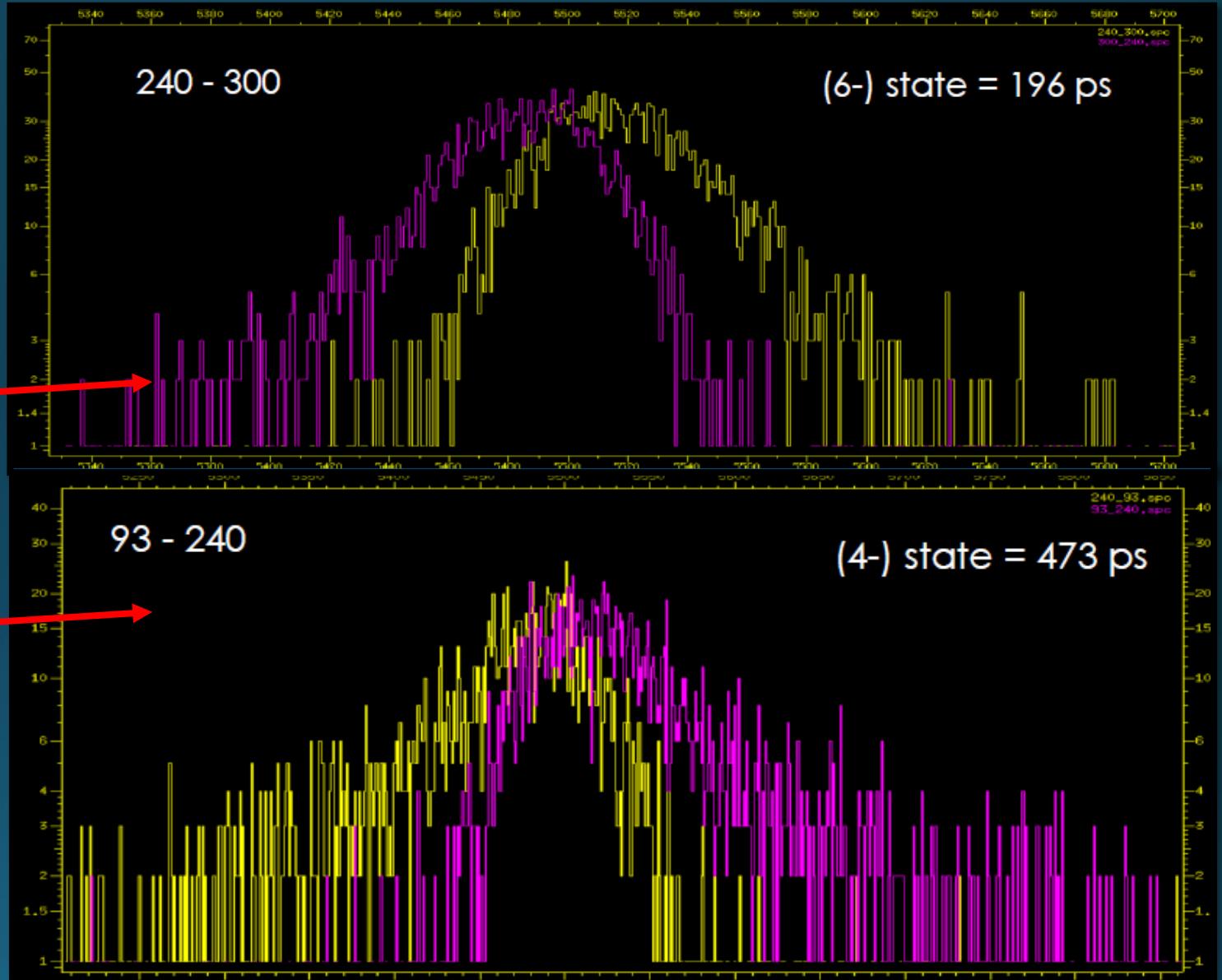
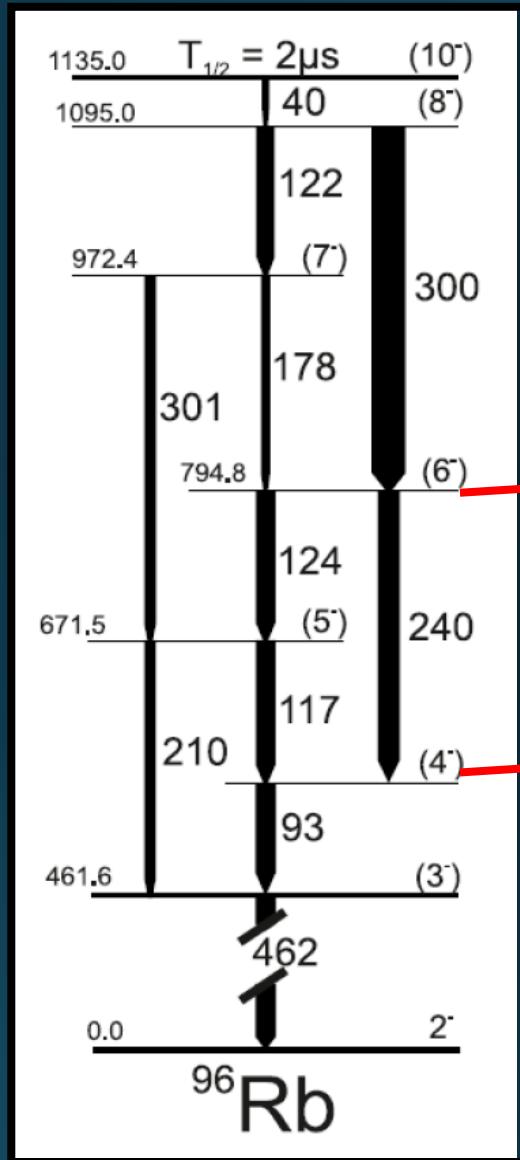


Lifetimes measurement with LOHENGRIN



$T_{1/2} = 191(8)$ ps

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Summary

Scientific line :

- Gamma spectroscopy of neutron-rich isotopes produced in neutron-induced fission process
 - Studies of nuclei in N-E of double magic ^{78}Ni ; searching for neutron radioactivity
 - fast-neutron-induced fission of ^{232}Th target (*IJCLab* Orsay with v-ball array)
 - Searching for shape coexistence in nuclei around $Z = 40$, $N = 60$; studies of onset and evolution of the deformed structures in Y isotopes
 - thermal-neutron-induced fission of ^{233}U and ^{235}U targets (ILL Grenoble with FIPPS array)
 - Studies of the deformed structures in Y and Rb isotopes via lifetimes measurement
 - thermal-neutron-induced fission ^{235}U target (ILL Grenoble with LOHENGRIN mass spectrometer)
- Development of new instruments for fission experiments
 - Active target based on liquid scintillator – efficient fission tag
 - Active targets based on diamond or SiC detectors
 - Development of Gas Filled Magent for FIPPS array (near future)

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