

Minor *Fe* isotopes

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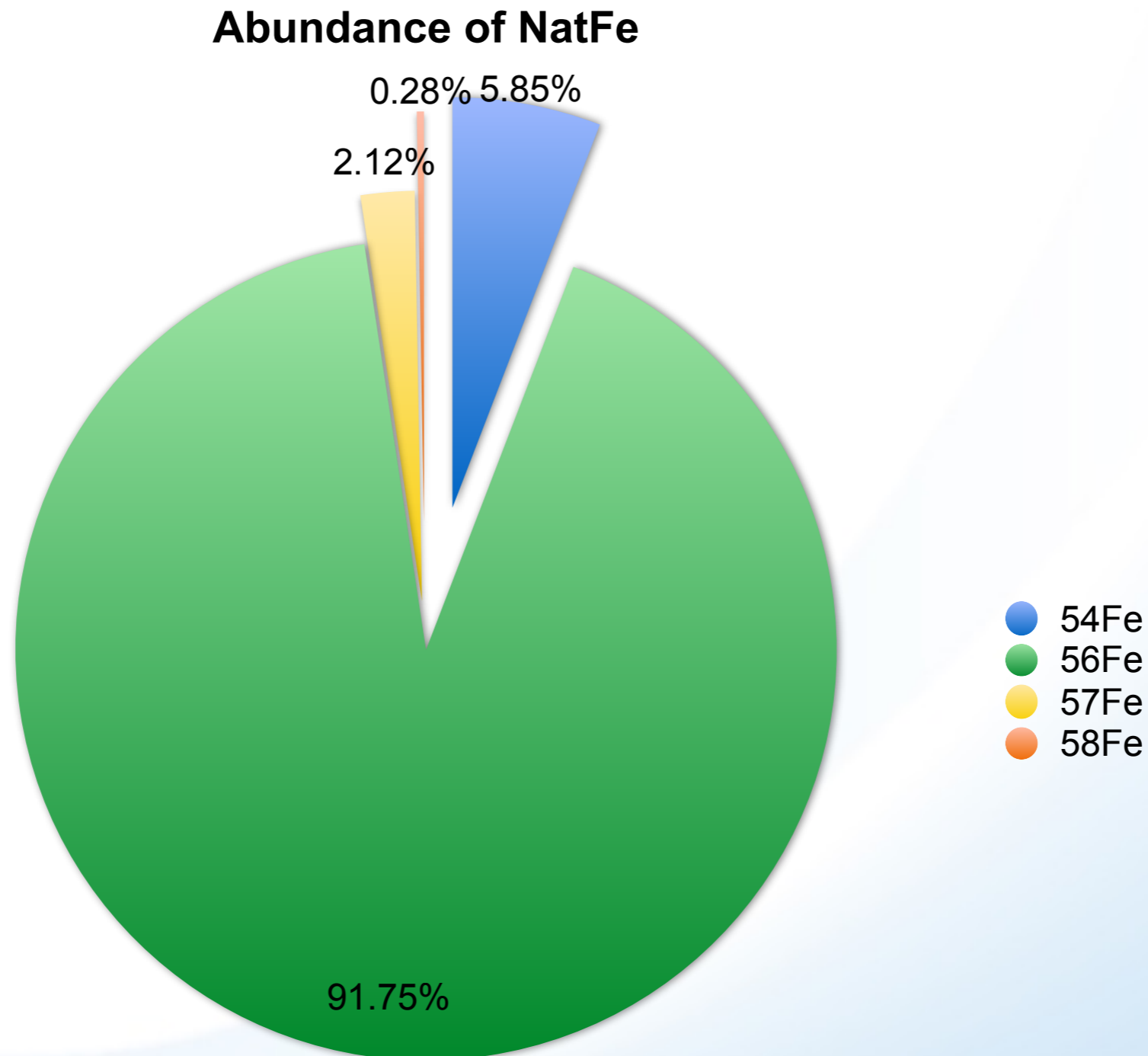
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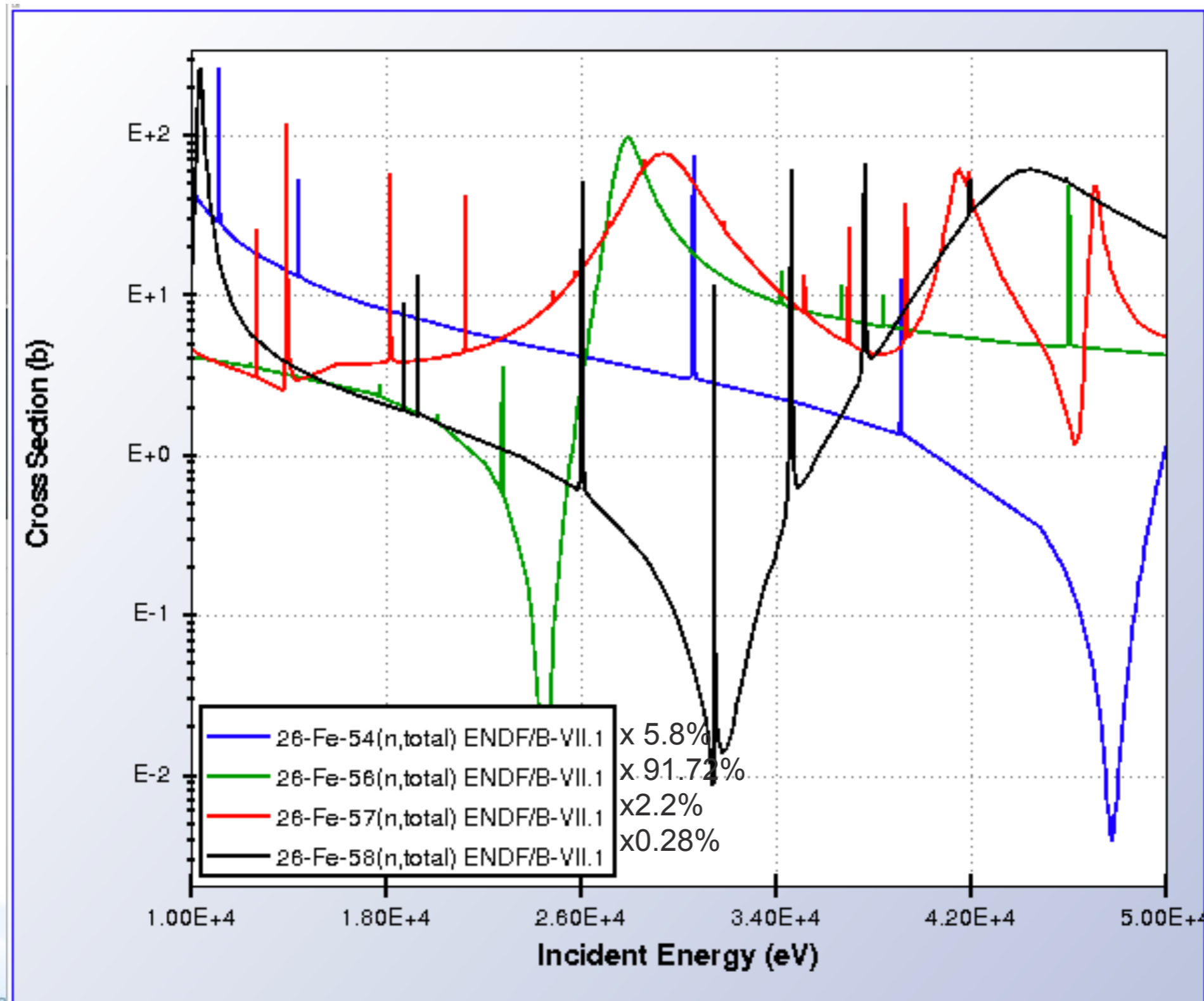
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On the face of it, minor Fe isotopes should be unimportant



Minor Fe isotopes may play outsized role in some nuclear systems, especially systems used to validate ^{56}Fe



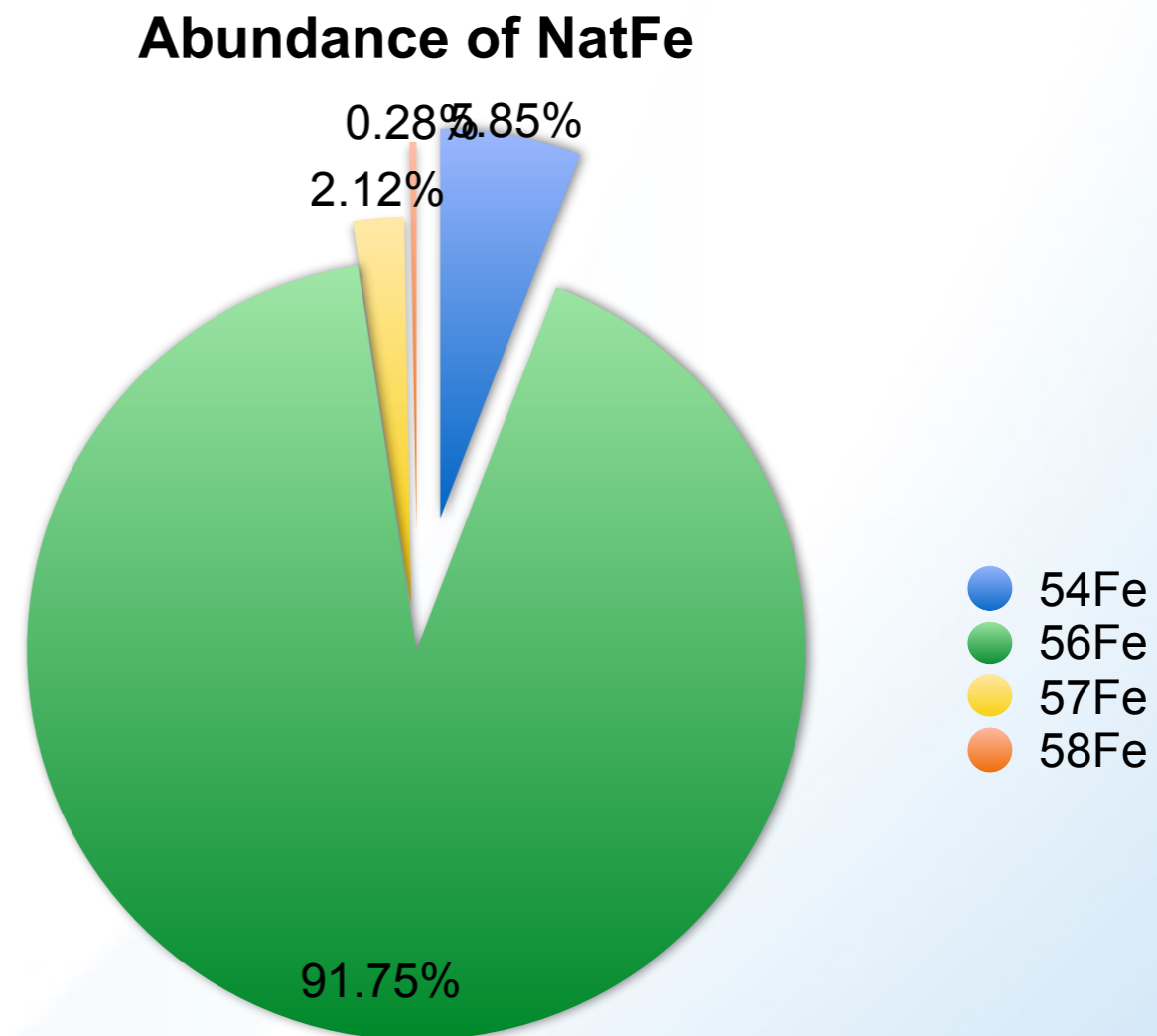
Minor isotopes

Fast

- CC for incident/outgoing channels + DWBA
- Soukhovitskii and Capote dispersive OMP
- Gilbert-Cameron level densities
- Consistency among level-density parameters

Resonances

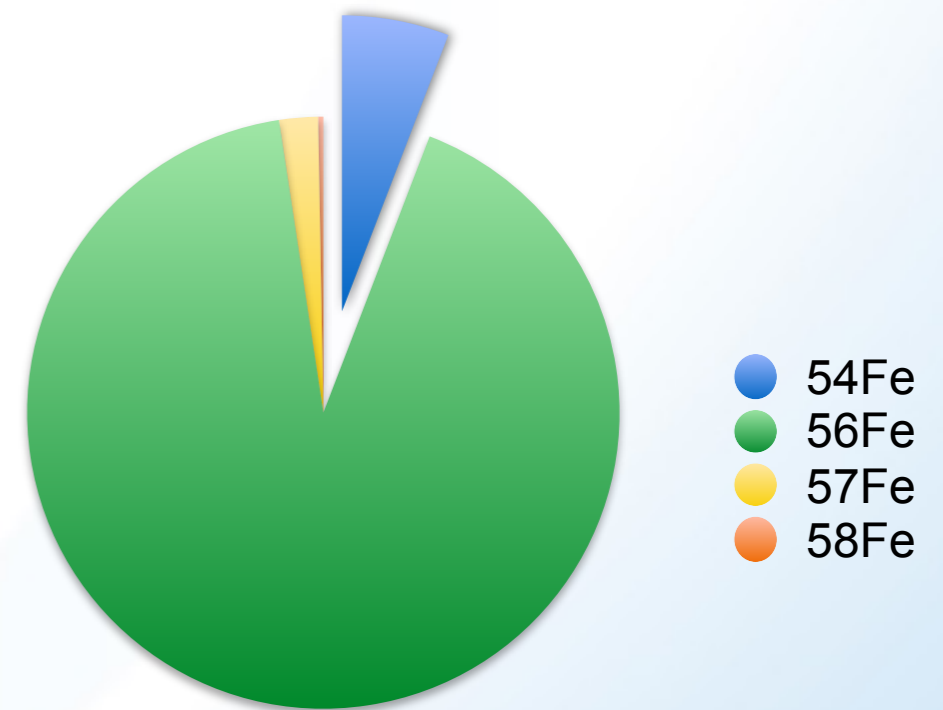
- Adopted from either Atlas or Moxon (^{58}Fe)
- Occasional tweaks



^{54}Fe

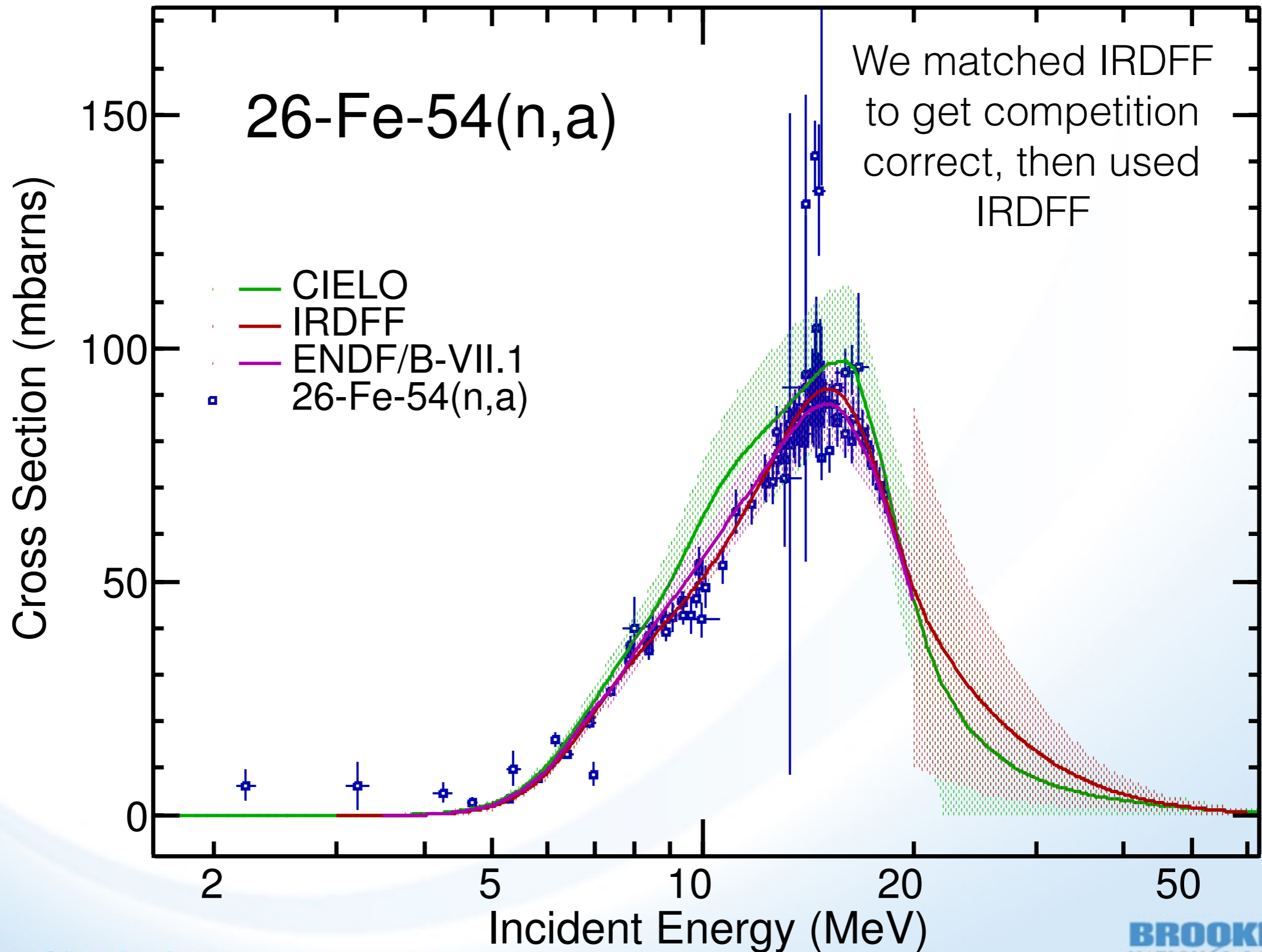
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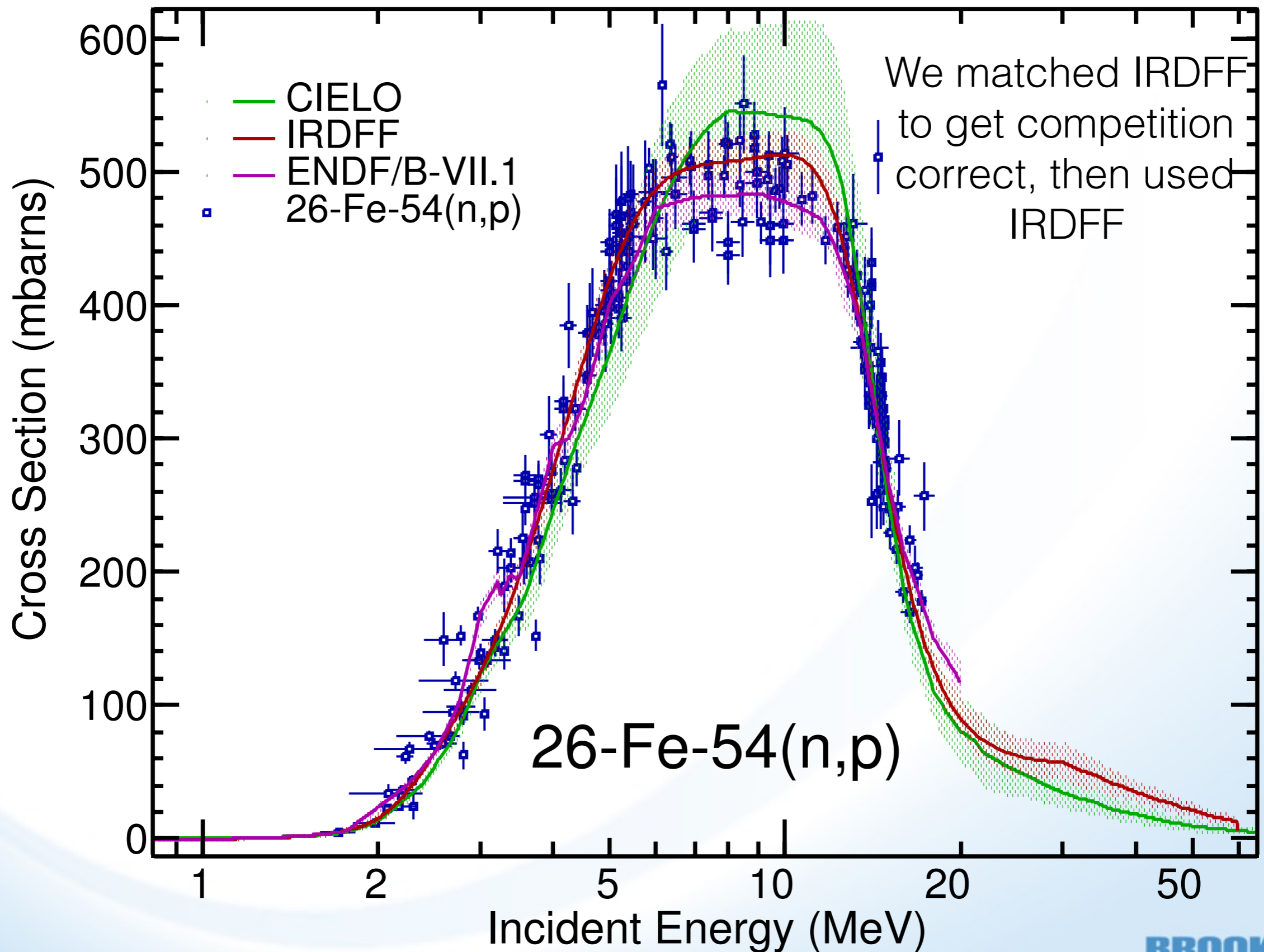
- Same Soukhovitskii and Capote dispersive OMP
- Same energy-dependent reduction of (n,tot) up to 3 MeV
- Fitted new LD parameters to (n,p), (n,2n) and (n, α) to dosimetry (IRDFF)
- Kept pre-equilibrium parameters within reasonable range
- Fitted deformation of DWBA levels to fill gap in double-differential neutron spectra

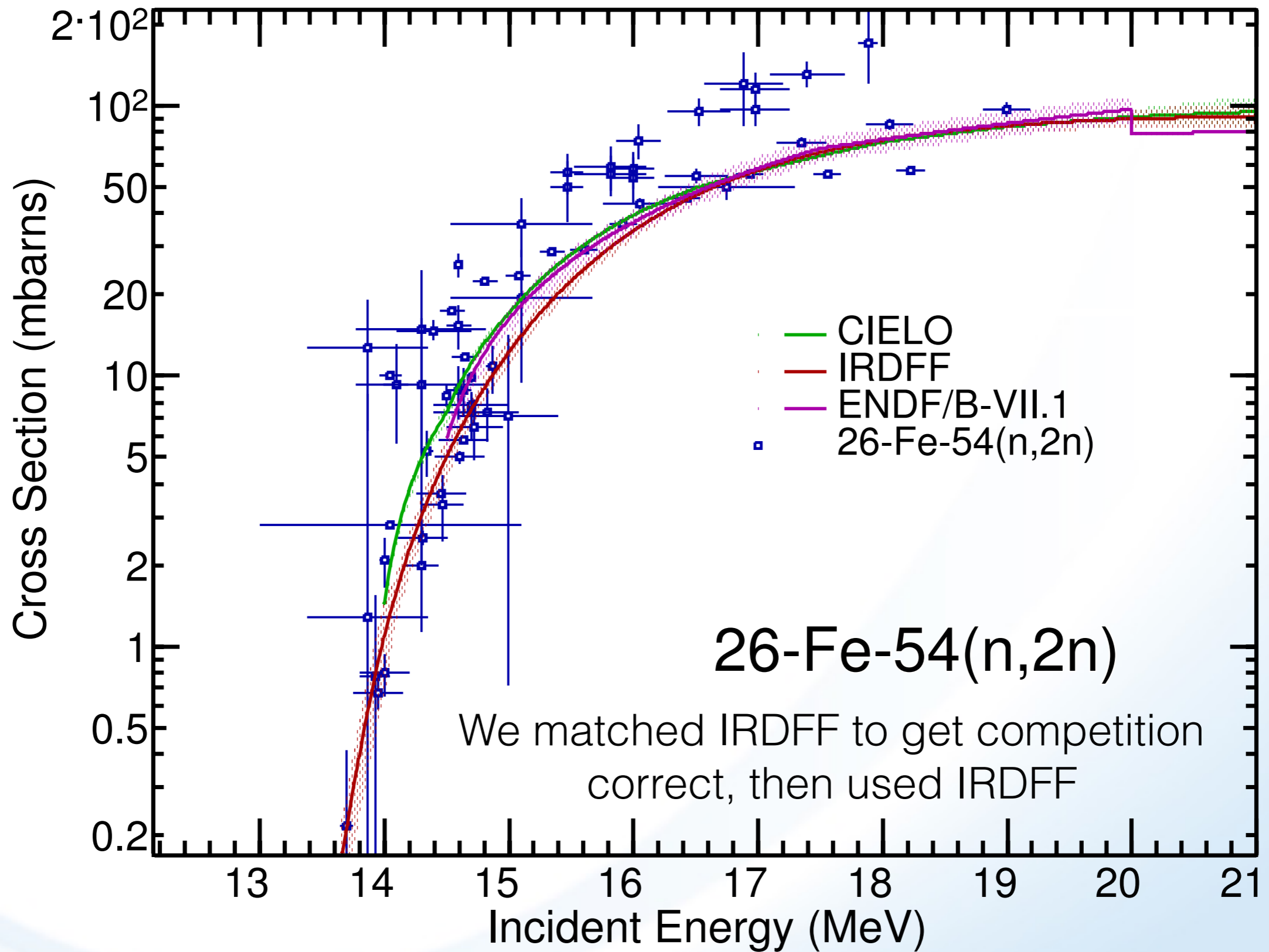


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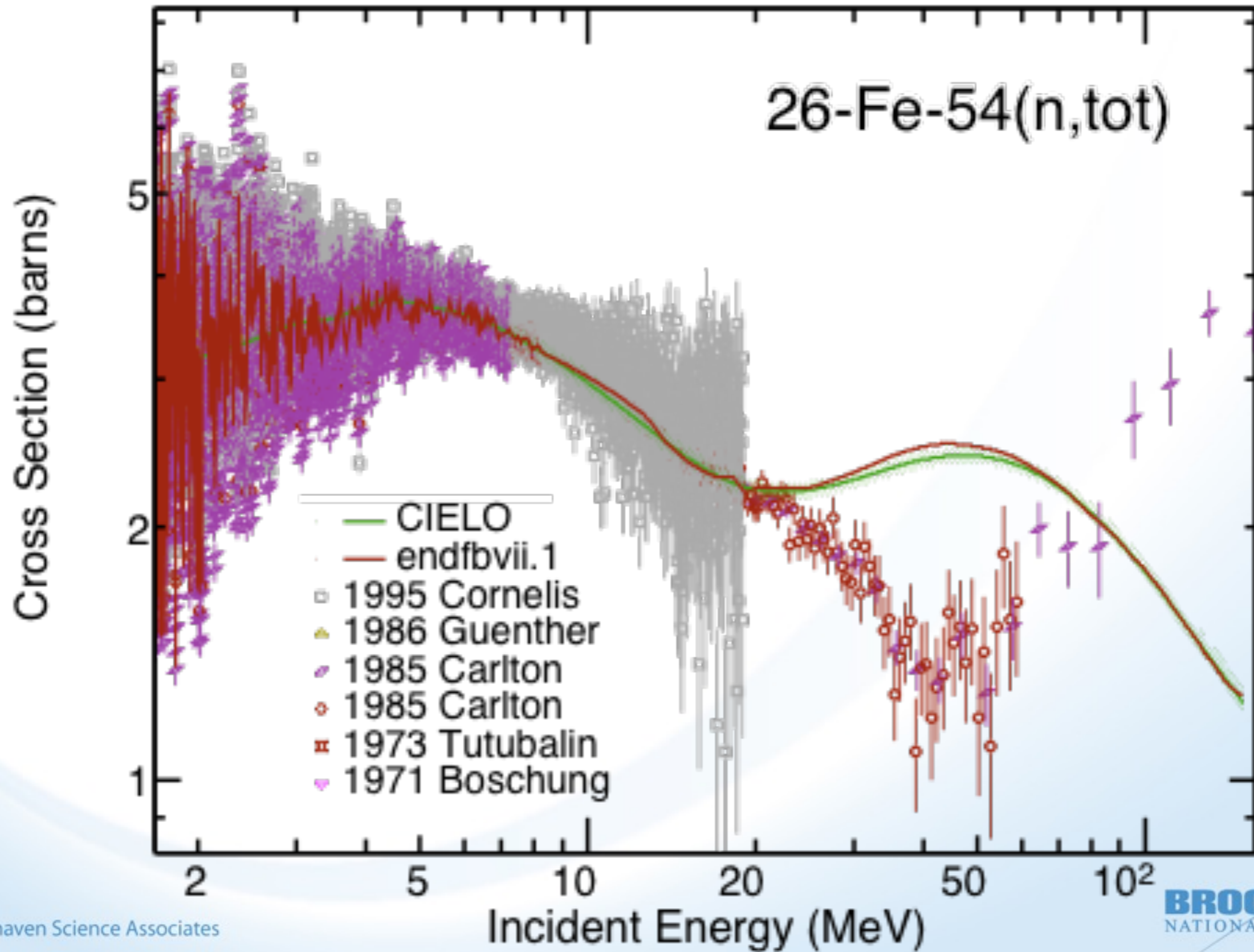
- From Atlas, but converted from MLBW to RM, then tweaked



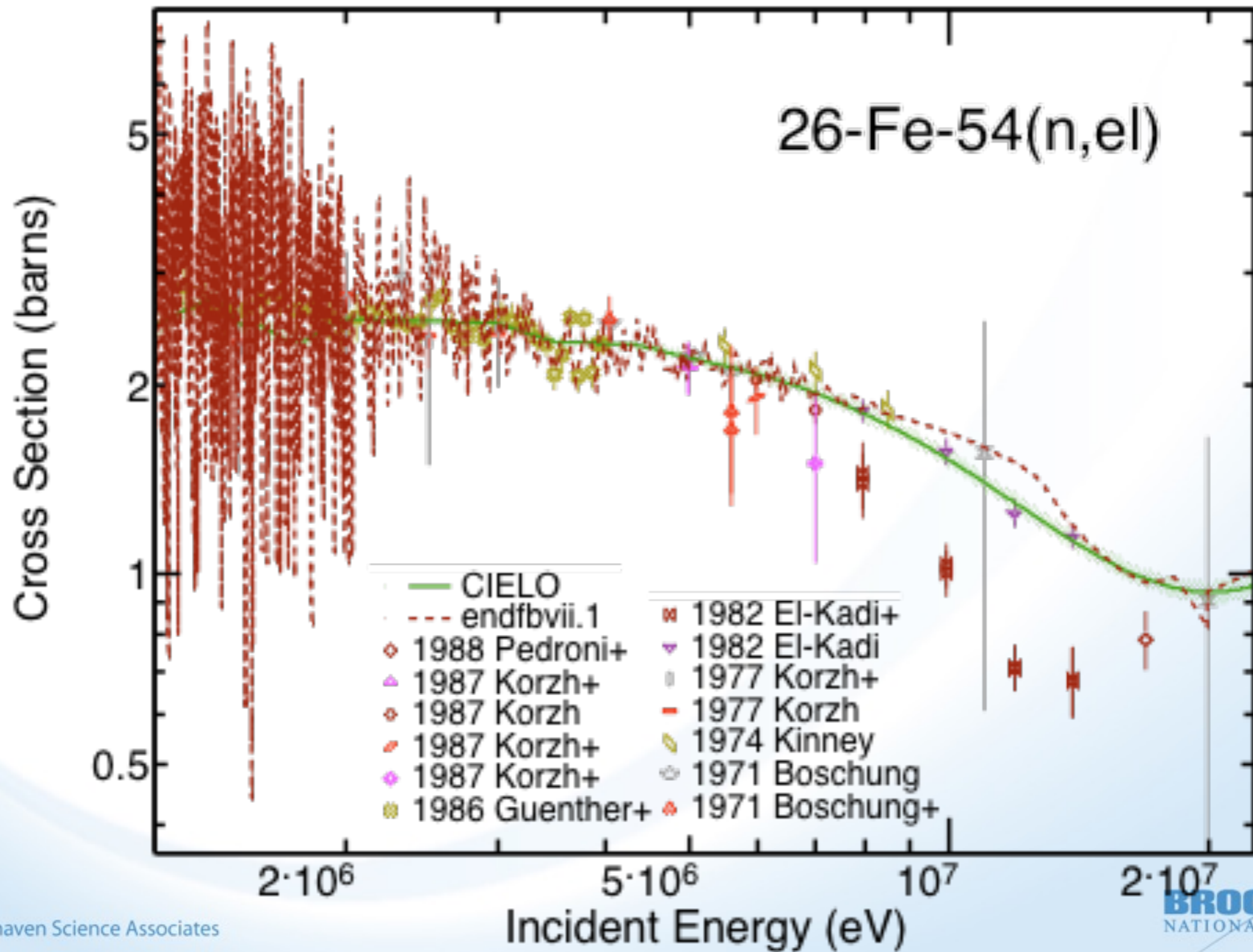




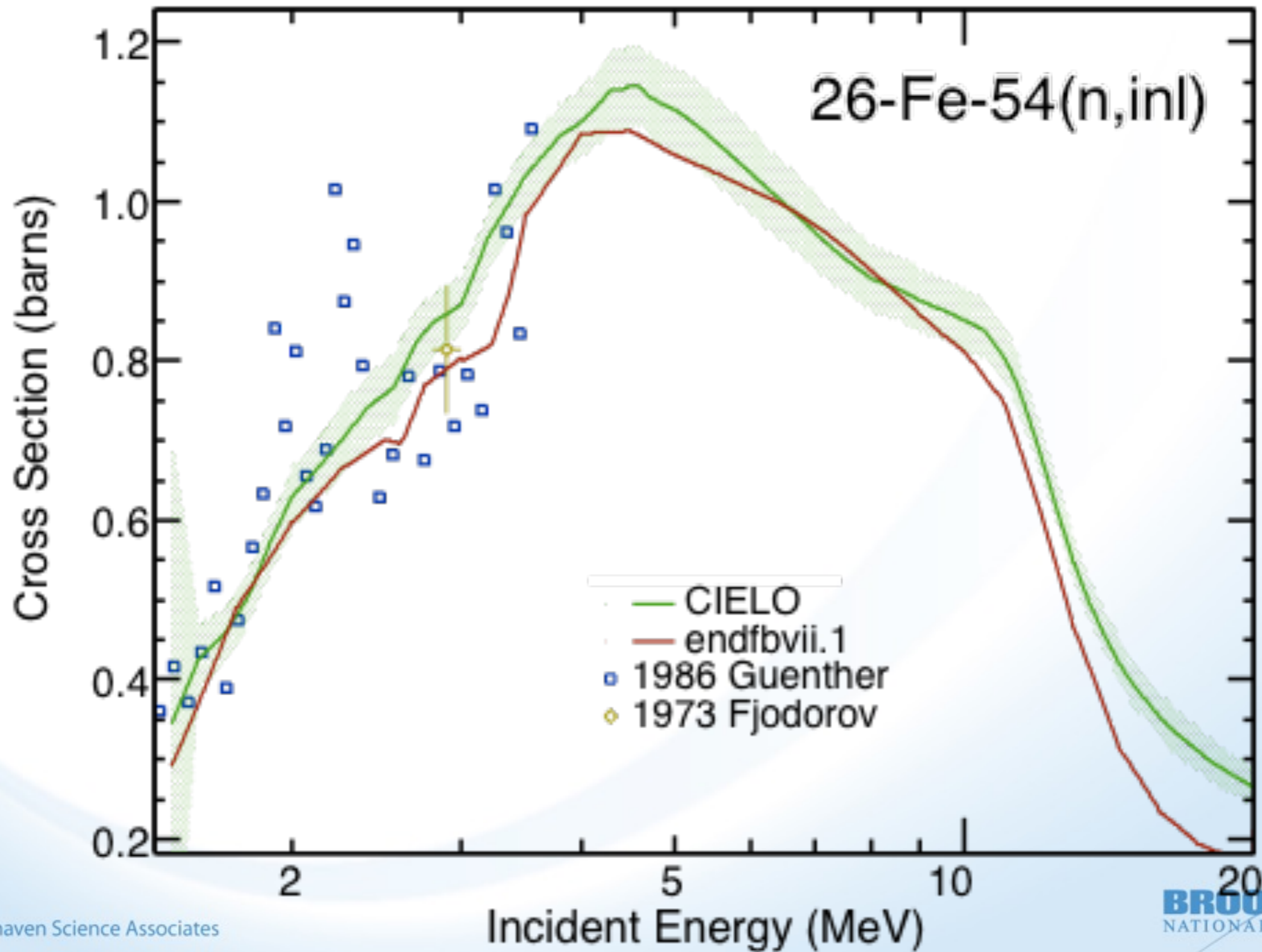
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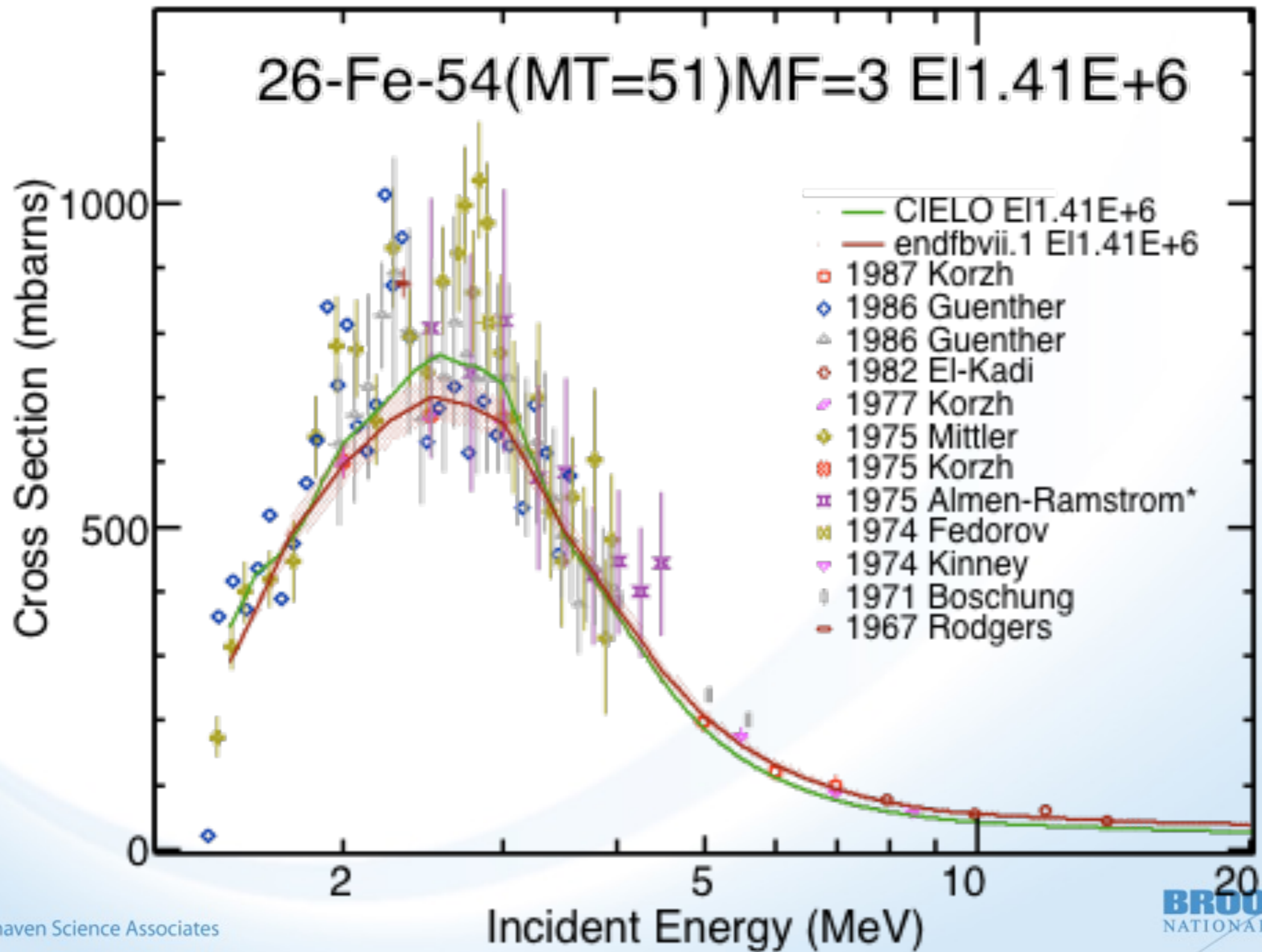
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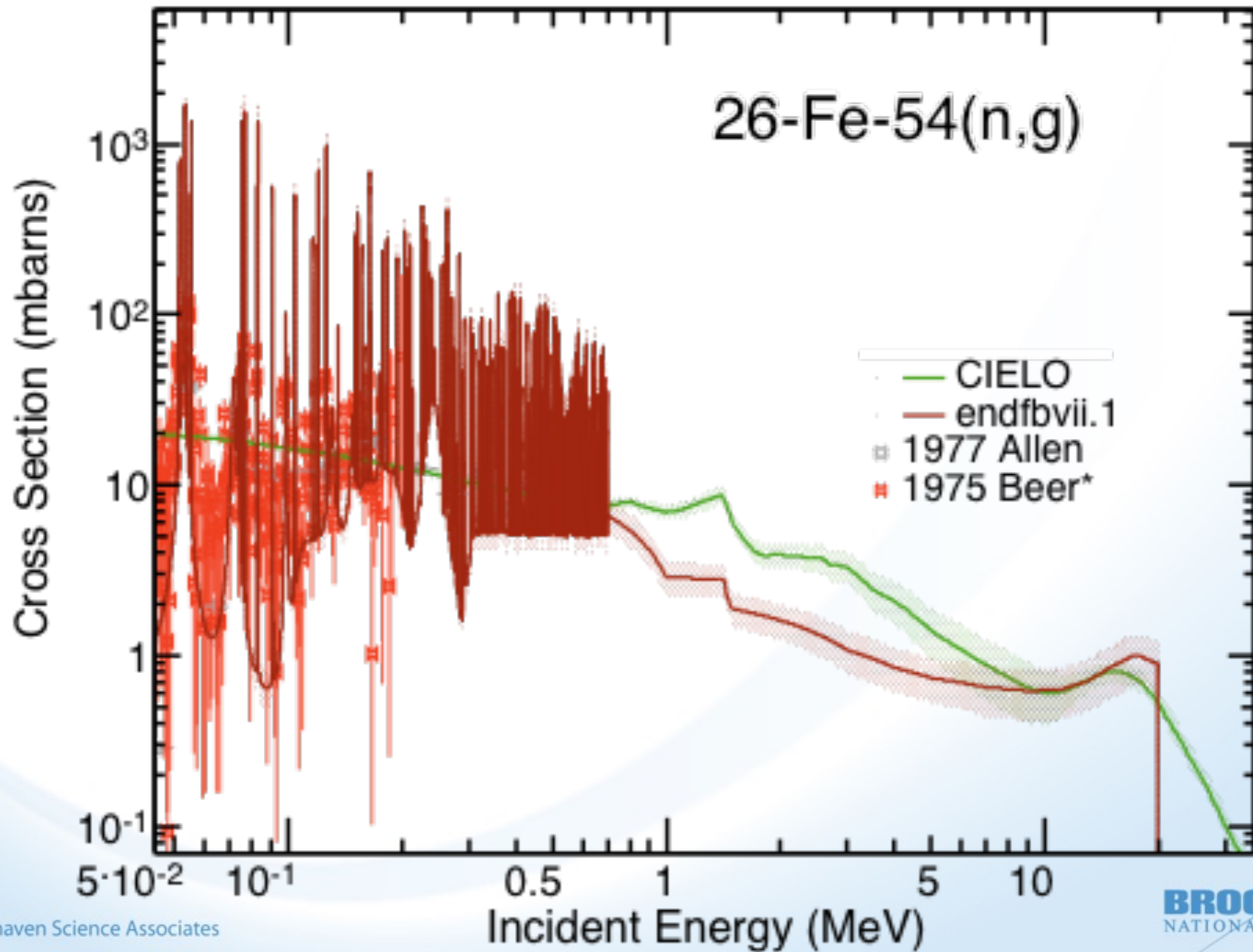
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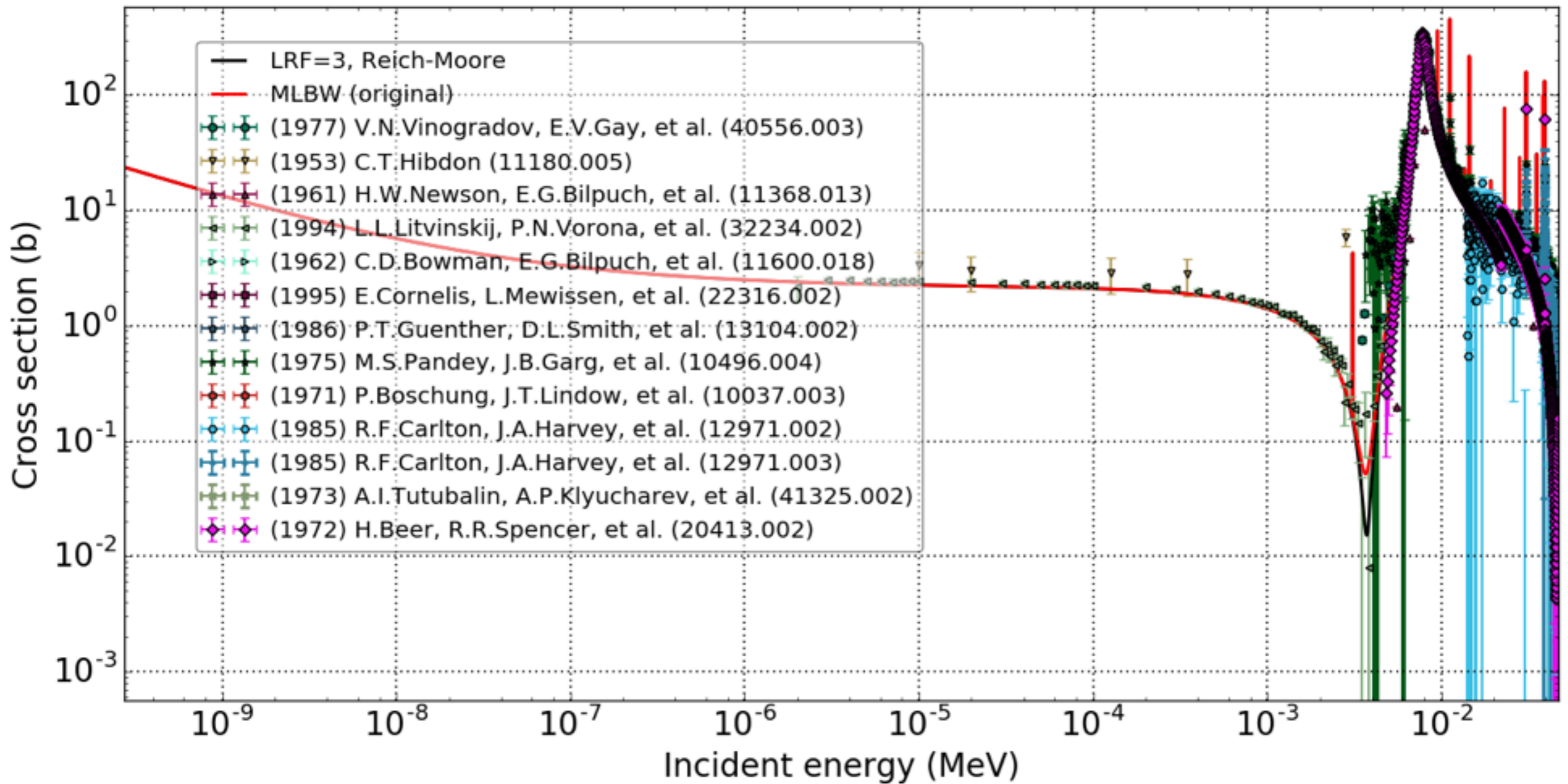
^{54}Fe : from new Atlas, but in RM

- **Convert MLBW (LRF=2) to Reich Moore (LRF=3)**
 - improved interference minima, but messed up thermal
- **Added/adjusted fictitious strong levels to fix thermal cross section**
- **Imposed fictitious strong levels above E_{max} to get better interference effects and improve agreement with total cross section data**

	Before				After			
E_R (keV)	L	J	Γ_γ (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	J	Γ_γ (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	
-1223.3	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	1.0	64,062	
-22.24 -> -20.499	0	1/2	1.55	8474	1/2	1.55	6872	
740.56	2	1/2	0.96	386.5	3/2	0.96	386.5	
741.44	2	1/2	0.96	424	3/2	0.96	424	
814.627368	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	1508.68838	
815.801766	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	4148.82574	
824.106211	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	3848.05147	
833.931452	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	5844.58959	
847.326171	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	5565.40352	
1000	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	1/2	4.0	26,000	

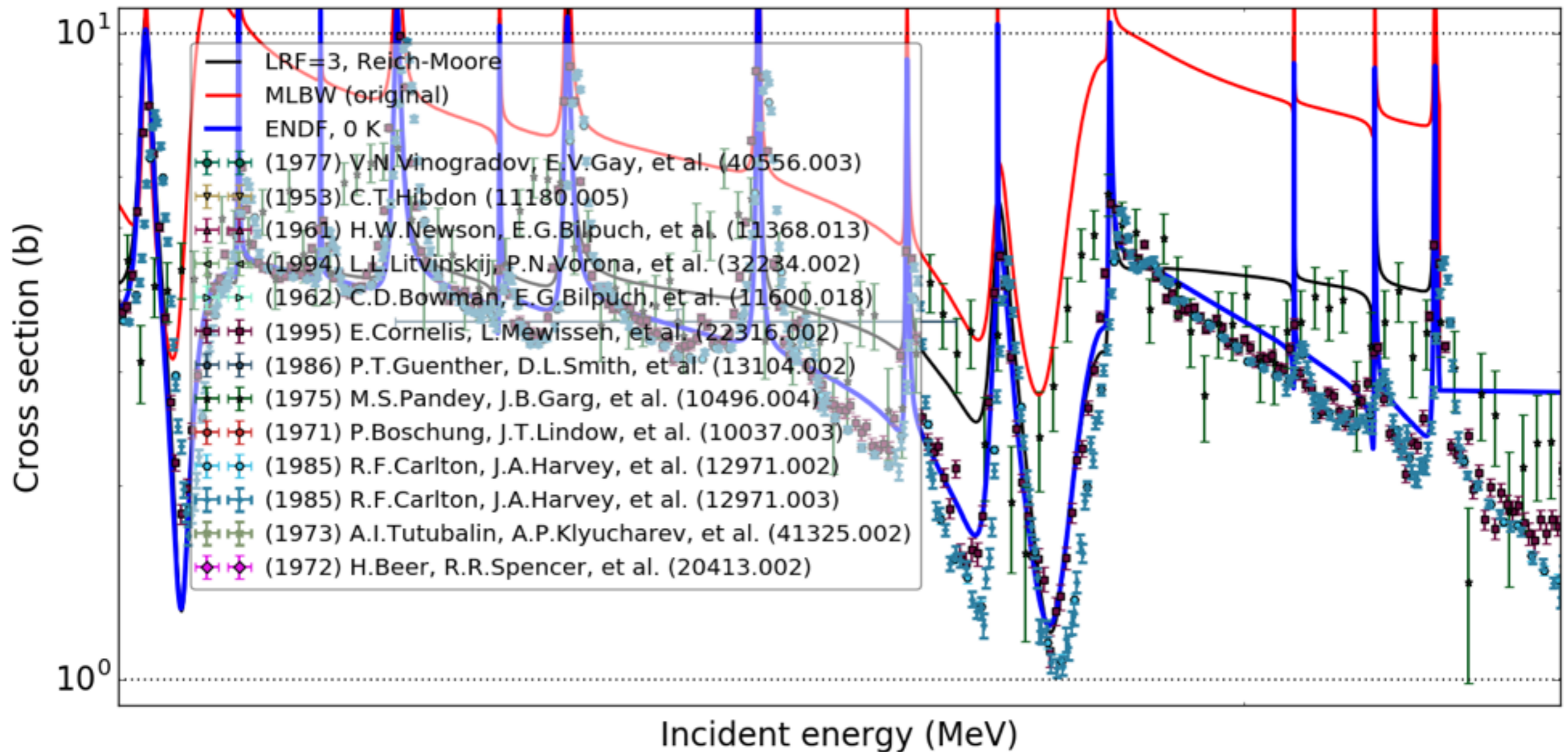
Tweaks of bound levels get low energy part correct

Fe54(n,tot)



Added a cluster of high energy S-wave resonances to interfere at the upper end and pull down the valleys

Fe54(n,tot)



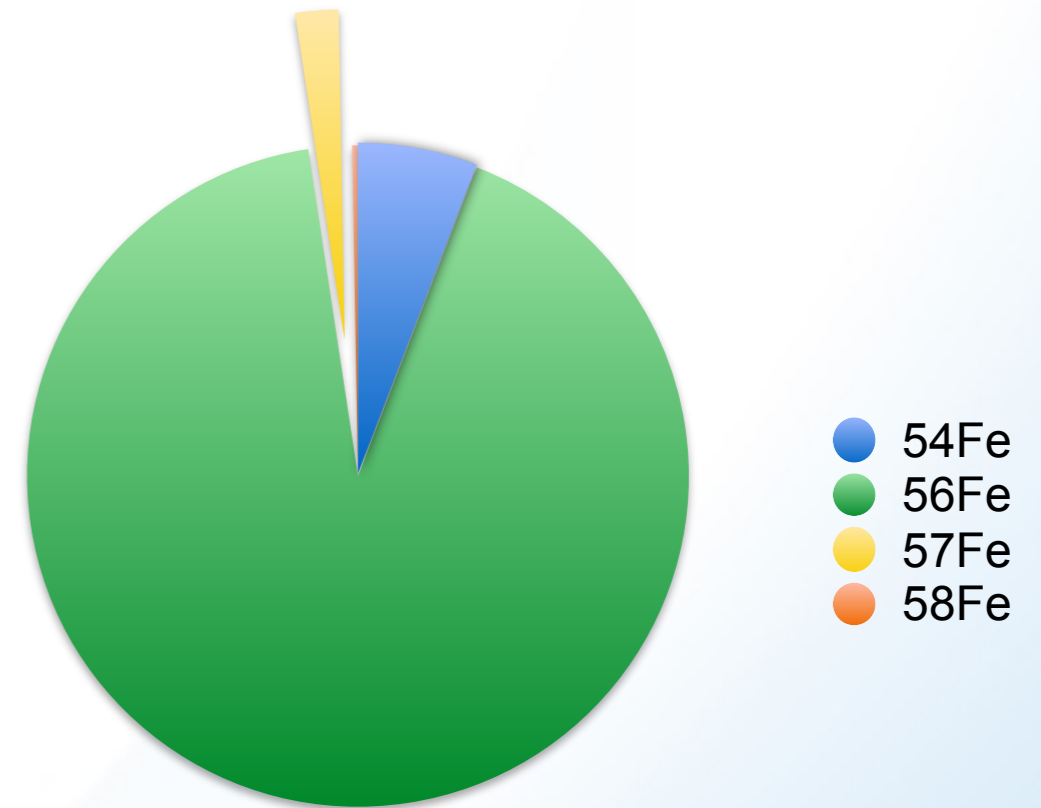
⁵⁷Fe

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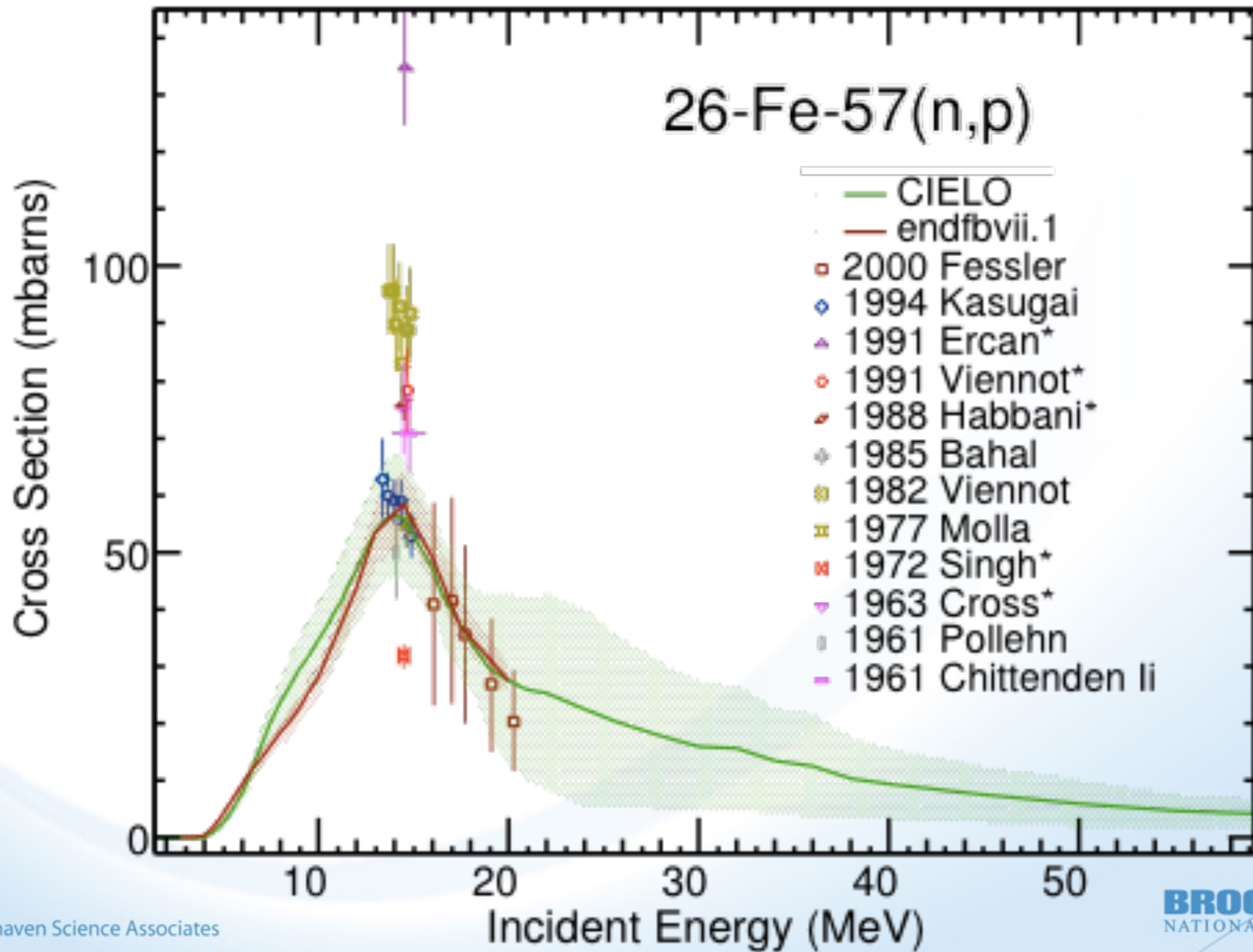
- Soukhovitskii-Capote OMP for odd iron isotopes
- No reduction of (n,tot) necessary
- Few experimental datasets (No dosimetry file)
- Fit (n,p) to select experiments
- Low-energy peak for inelastic cross section

Resonances

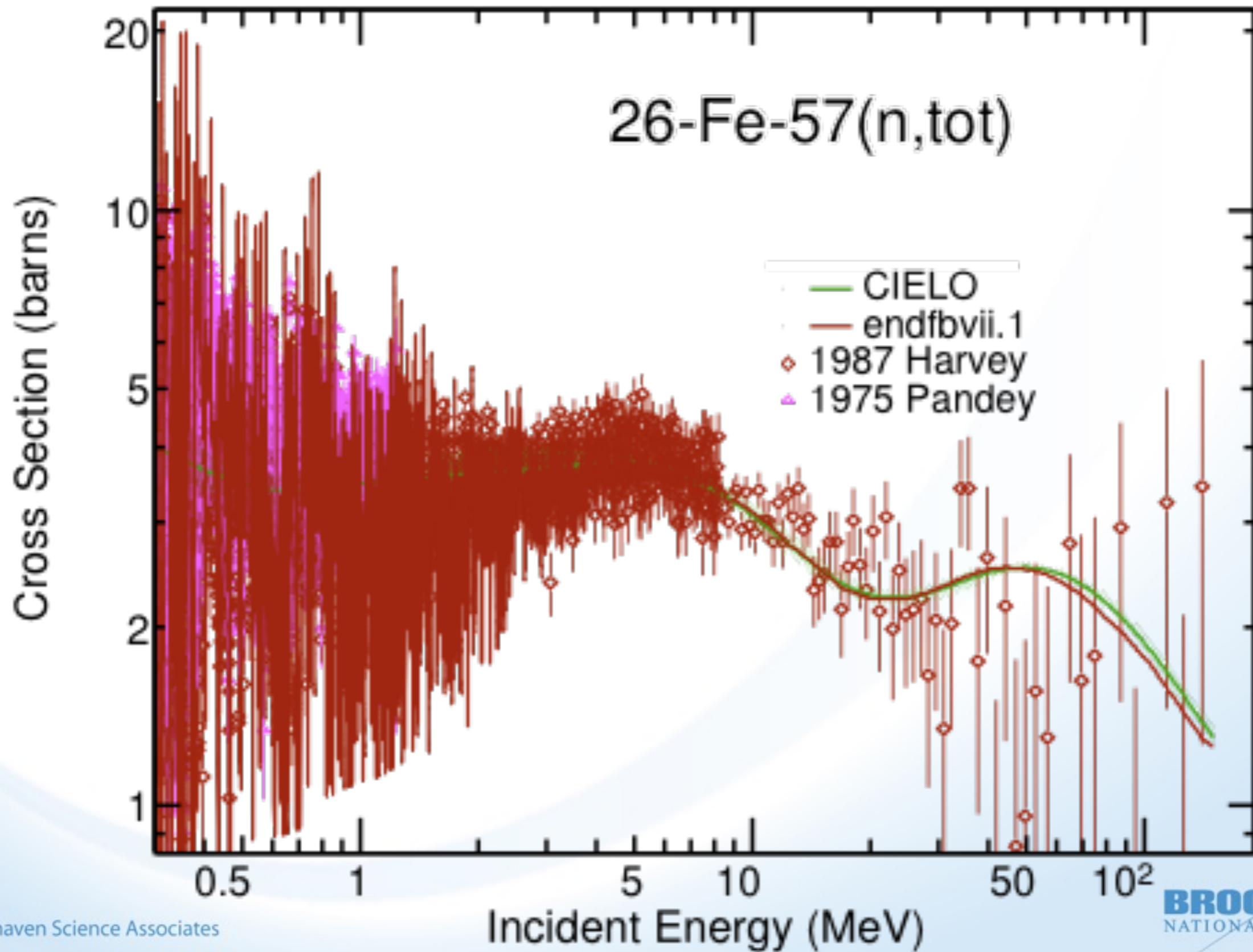
- From Atlas, with extensive modifications
- Converted from MLBW to LRF=7



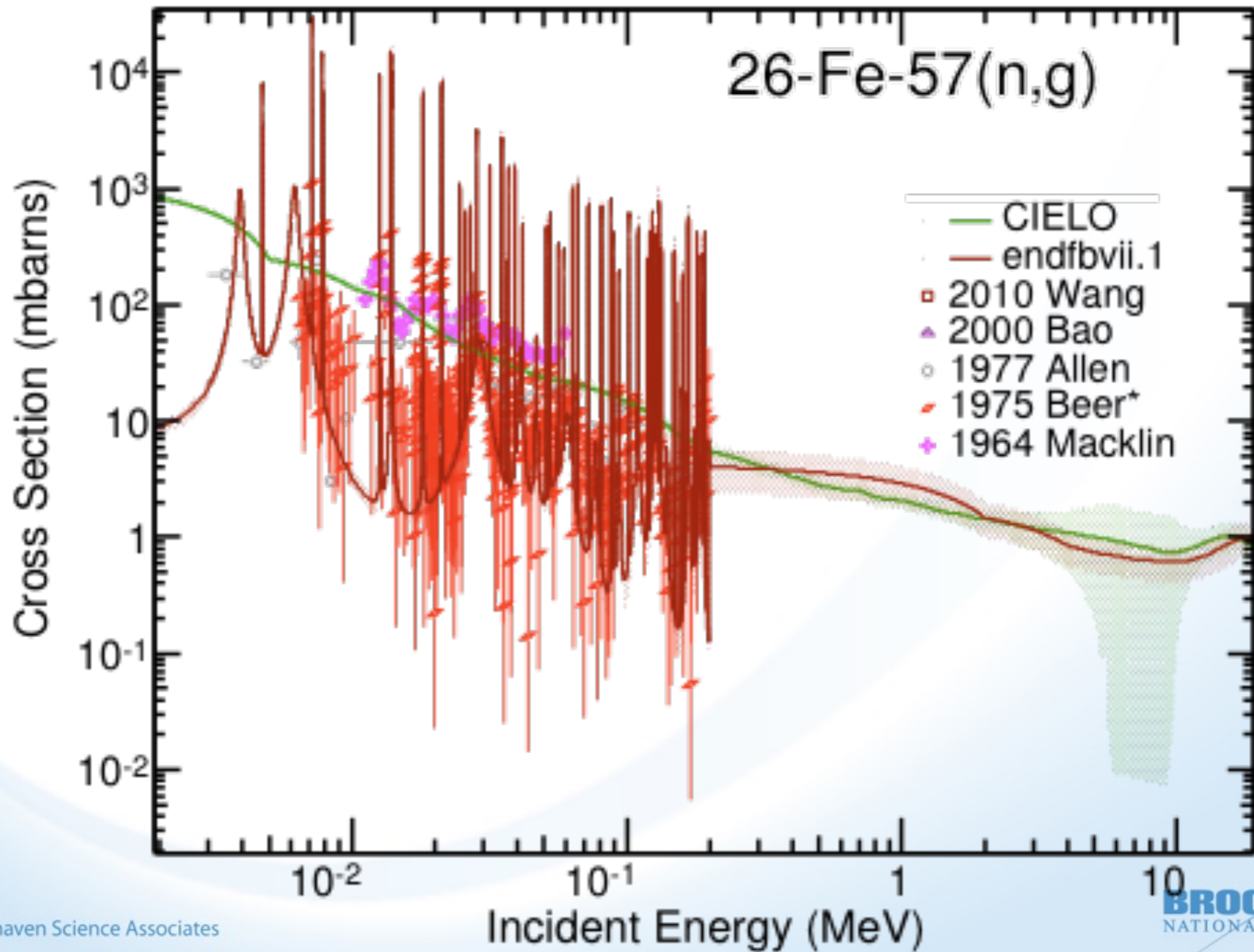
^{57}Fe



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^{57}Fe : from new Atlas, but converted to Reich-Moore (LRF=7)

- **Said's resonances given in MLBW formatted ENDF file with extra column containing (n,n') widths**
 - (n,tot), (n,el) and (n,g) widths based on Geel parameters, likely generated in Reich-Moore approximation
 - (n,n') resonances determined by subtracting capture resonances from (n,tot) where no (n,el) present
 - $E_x = 14.410$ keV
 - S wave only
 - Capture widths known only from area under resonance
- **MACS(30 keV)=42 mb, consistent with Bao's recommended value of 40 mb**
 - Switching to RM disturbs this result
- **Dave converted resonances into LRF=7 format and flipped the approximation flag to Reich-Moore, keeping resonance parameters (mostly) unchanged**

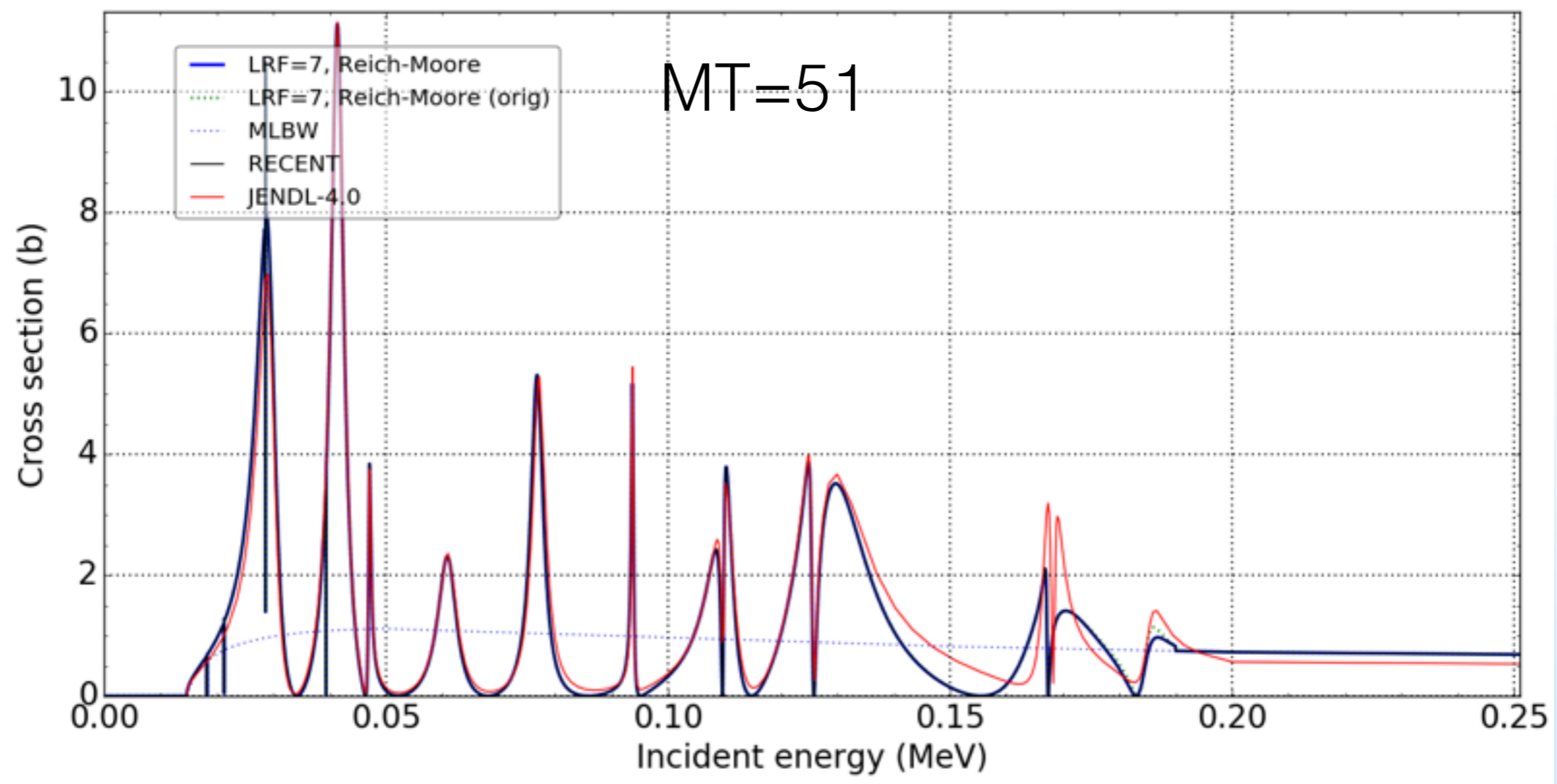
To our knowledge, this is first time an LRF=7 evaluation was produced without SAMMY

Therefore, peer review from Andrej Trkov and Red Cullen was essential

Red's major concerns

1. Have the background cross sections been correctly handled in all reactions? **YES**
2. Has potential scattering converged at the L specified in file? **YES**
3. Are there missing (L,J,S,MT) combinations from the channel specification? **YES!!!!!!**
4. Are there missing s- or p- wave resonances?
PROBABLY!
5. The valleys in the (n,tot) toward the upper end of the RRR are filled in in this evaluation? **FOR THE MOST PART**
6. Do we match the MACS(30 keV) value for capture? **YES**

Widths determined from (n,tot) widths and capture area, all assumed S-wave

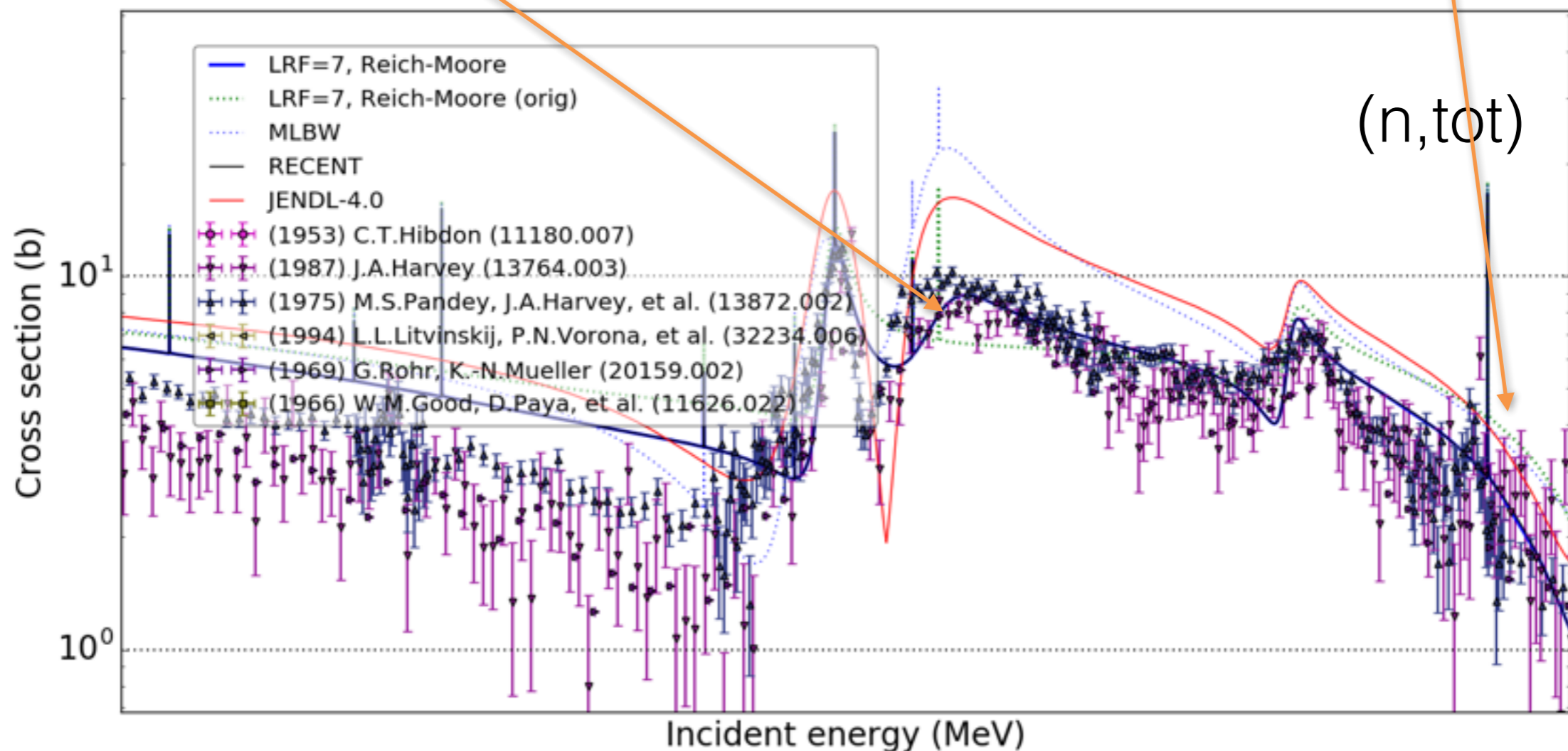


5. The valleys in the (n,tot) toward the upper end of the RRR are filled in

- Reworked near Ehi

- add 4 s-wave above Ehi to get tails
- add 1 s-wave at 169.31 keV to get interference

- tweak 3 resonances near 185 keV to get interference better



5. The valleys in the (n,tot) toward the upper end of the RRR are filled in

E_R (keV)	J	Before			After		
		Γ_t (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	Γ_γ (eV)	Γ_t (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	Γ_γ (eV)
169.31	0				1801.38	1800	1.38
176.30	0	701.20	700.00	1.20	501.20	500	1.20
185.00	1	3903.00	3500.00	3.00	5203.00	4800	3.00
189.50	0	3201.50	3200.00	1.50	4201.50	4200	1.50
194.25	0				703.55	700	3.55
197.30	0				702.57	700	2.57
198.90	0				701.18	700	1.18
200.10	0				700.99	700	0.99

- 1) $E_{hi}=190$ keV; 2) Γ_γ determined from $g\Gamma_n\Gamma_\gamma/\Gamma$ assuming $g\Gamma_n/\Gamma=0.253$;
- 3) $E_R=185$ keV has MT51 resonance with $\Gamma_{n'}=400$ eV;
- 4) new resonances from Atlas with tuned Γ_n

5. The valleys in the (n,tot) near 25 keV live in “window” of ^{56}Fe resonances

$J^{\pi}=0+$

$L=0$

$E_0=3.955$ keV

$G_n=0.214$ keV

$J^{\pi}=1+$

$L=0$

$E_0=6.220$ keV

$G_n=0.380$ keV

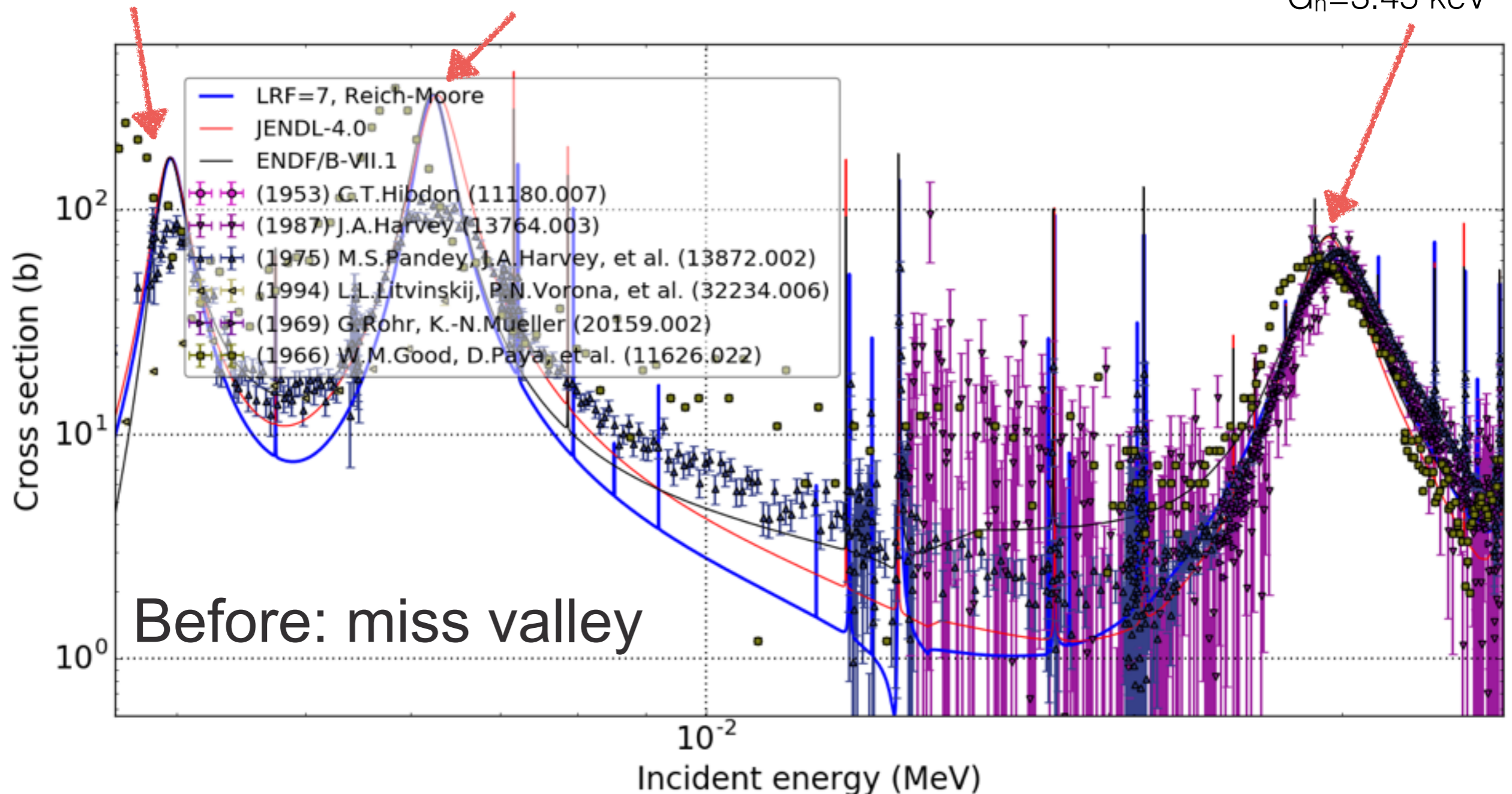
Fe57(n,tot)

$J^{\pi}=1+$

$L=0$

$E_0=29.05$ keV

$G_n=3.45$ keV



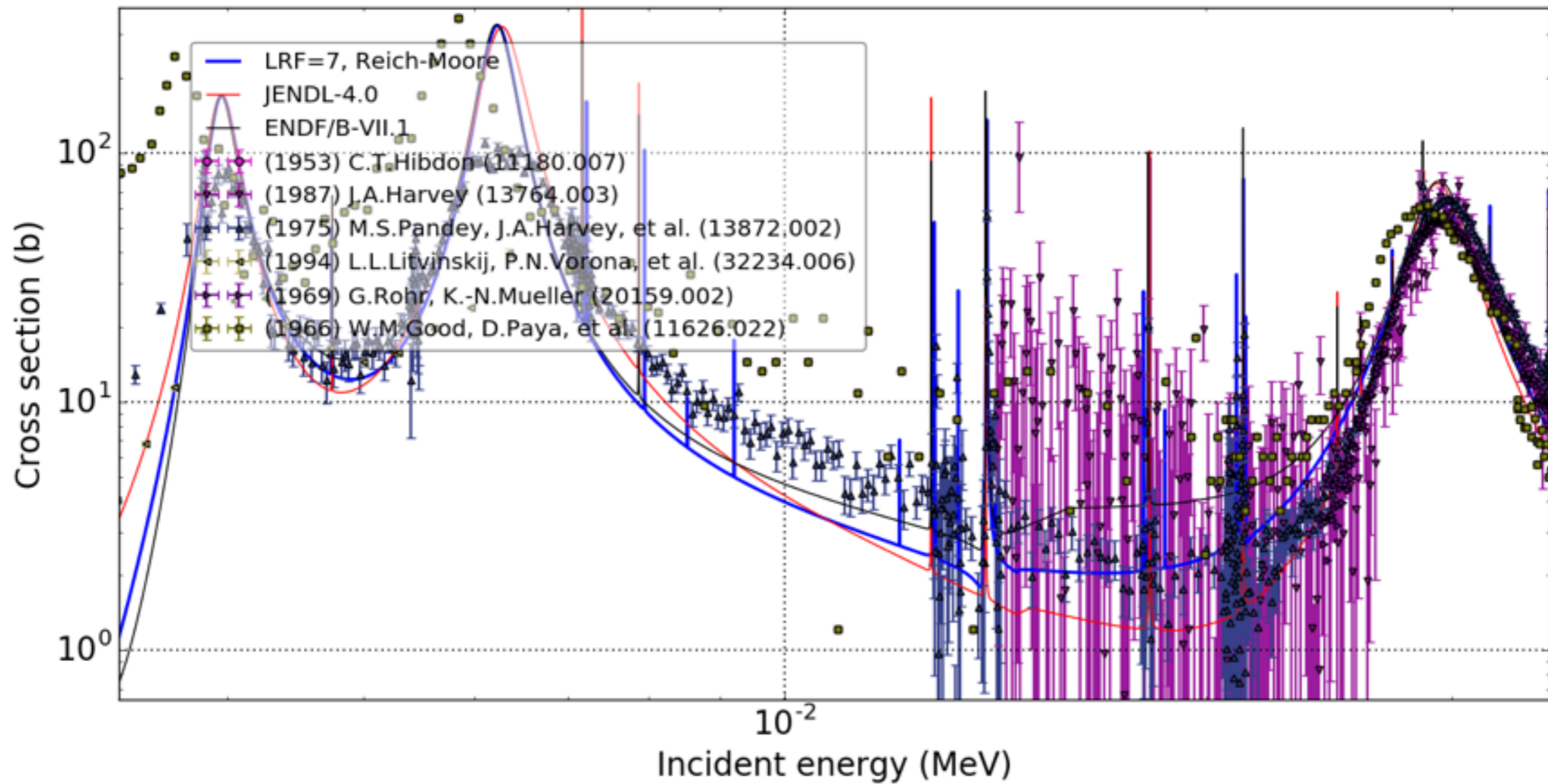
Tweaked bound levels and resonance at 6.22 keV

E_R (keV)	J	Before			After		
		Γ_t (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	Γ_γ (eV)	Γ_t (eV)	Γ_n (eV)	Γ_γ (eV)
-55.00	0				27,000.8	27,000.0	0.8
-2.33	1	66.62	64.89	1.73			
-1.22	1				11.51	9.51	2.00
6.22	1	381.15	380.00	1.15	401.15	400.00	1.15

Also, remember $R' = 6.3 \rightarrow 5.9$ fm

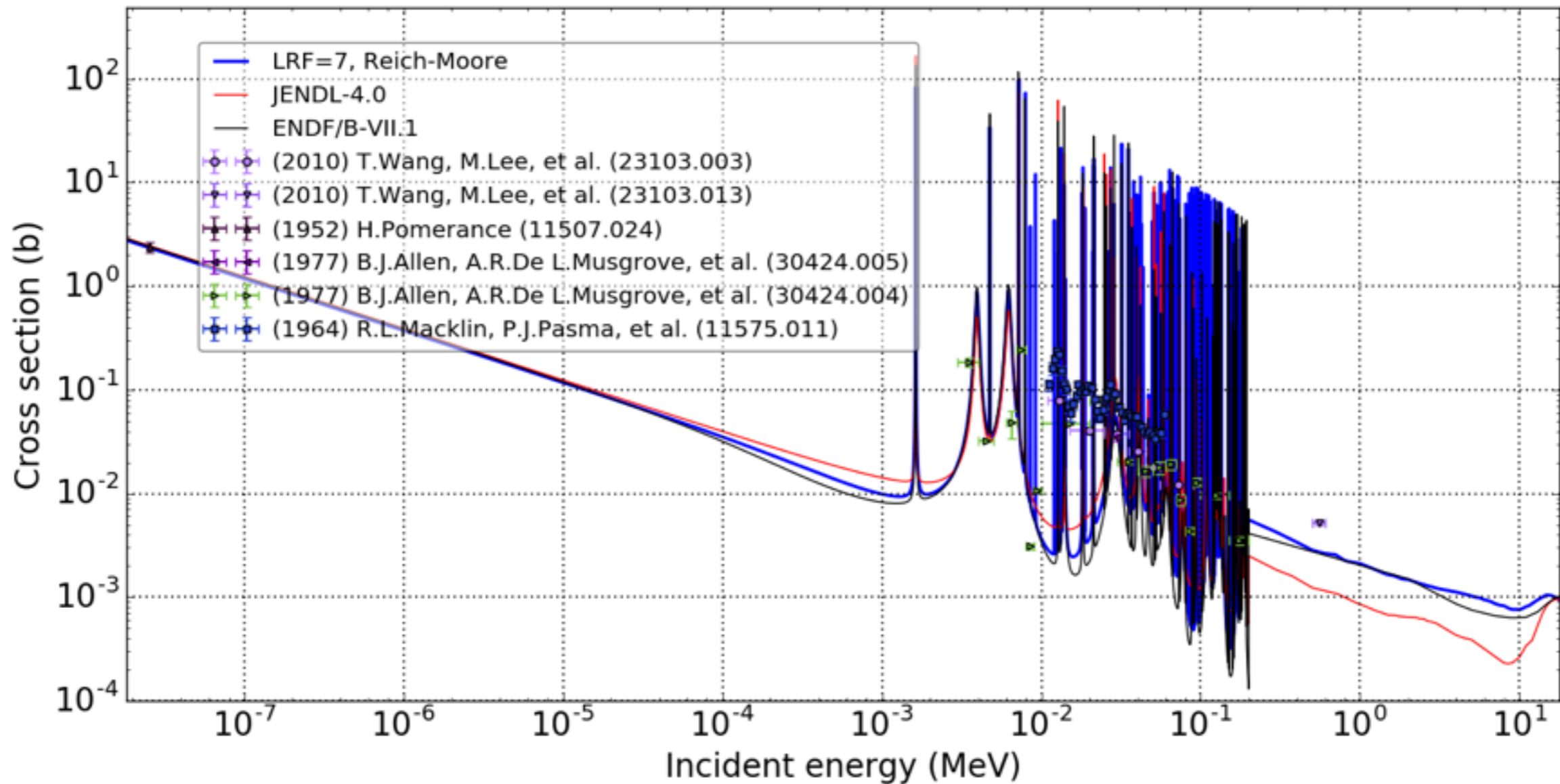
After: Nail valley

Fe57(n,tot)



get thermal dead on (by design)

Fe57(n,g)



6. Do we still match the MACS(30 keV) value for capture?

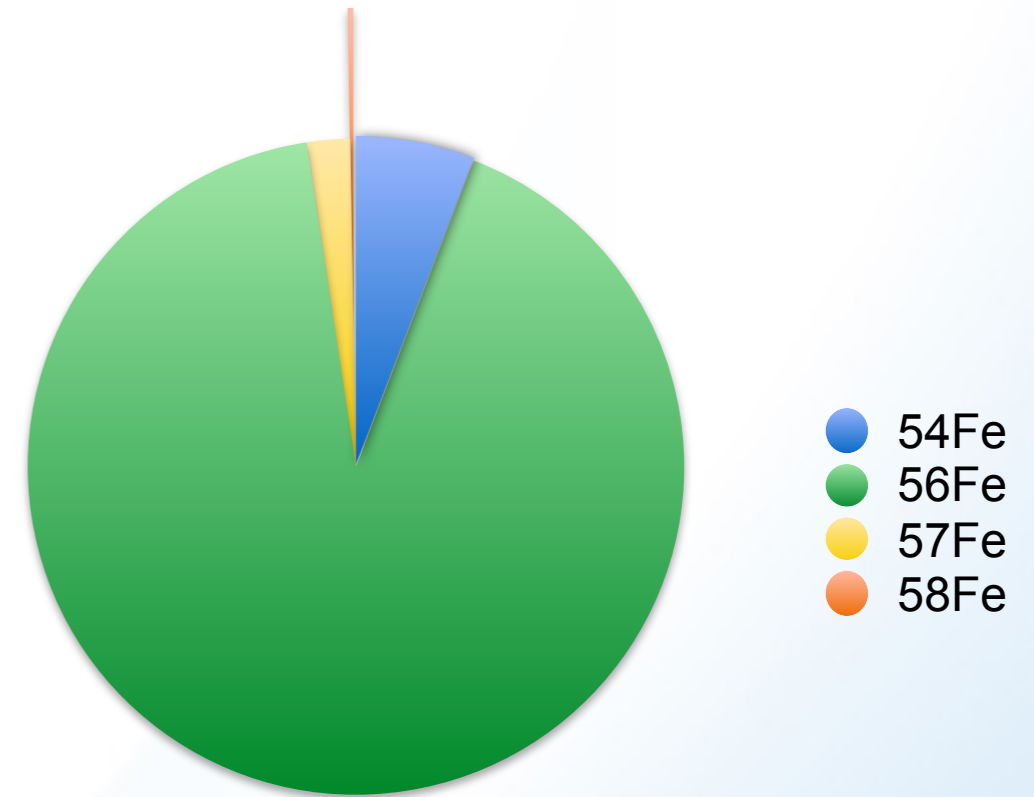
- MACS(30 keV) very useful for quick-n-dirty data validation
- Bao et al. values are the experimental values compiled in Bao et al. At. Data & Nucl. Data Tables **76**, 70-154 (2000)
- Given the spread in experimental data, the LRF=7 values are probably good enough

Source	MACS(30 keV)
MLBW	41.38 mb
LRF=7	36.02 mb
Atlas (exp)	36.0 +/- 2.7 mb
Atlas (calc)	42.1 +/- 8.4 mb
Kadonis-0.3	32 mb
Bao et al. (1)	39.9 +/- 4 mb
Bao et al. (2)	36.0 +/- 2.3 mb
Bao et al. (3)	28 +/- 6 mb

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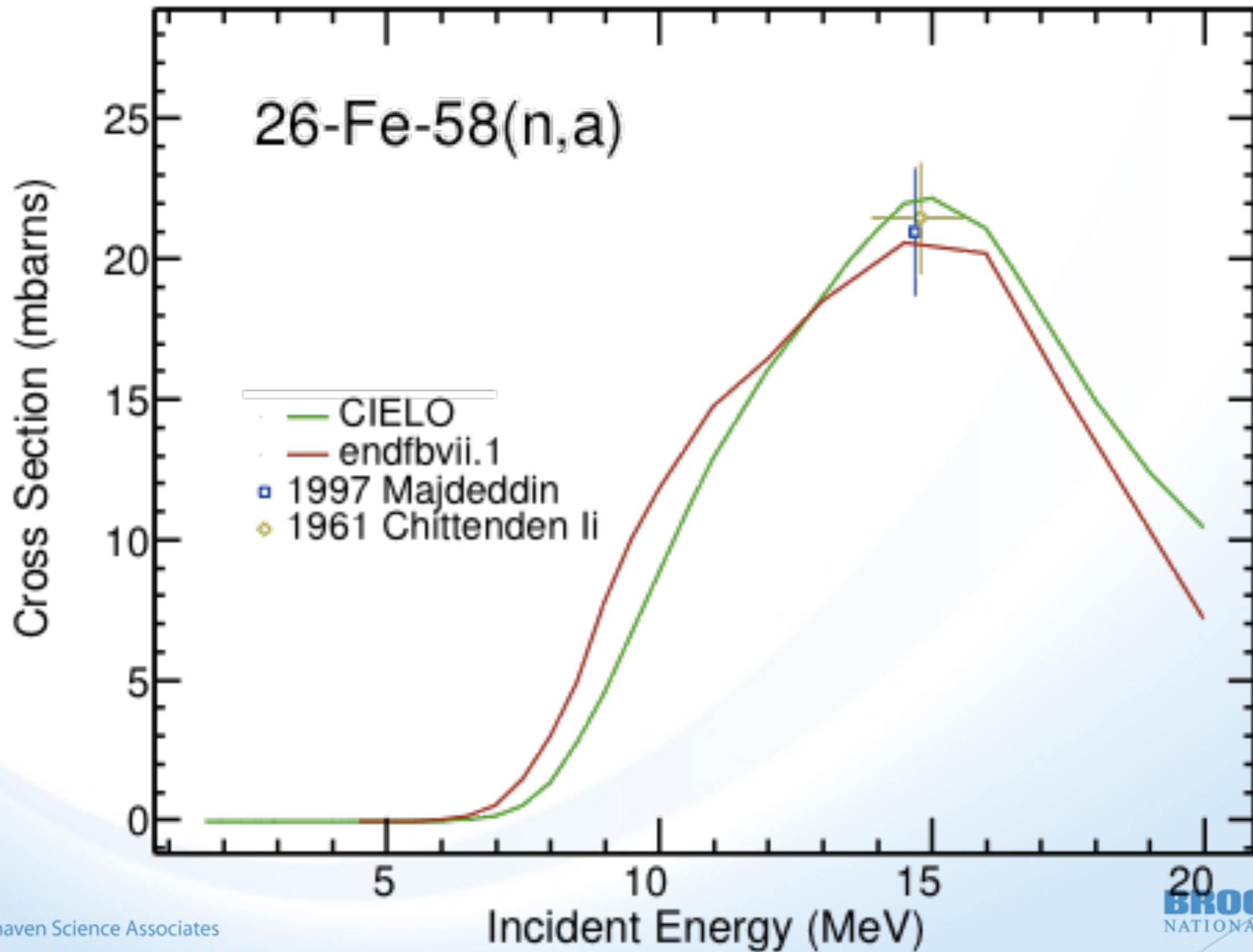
- Soukhovitskii-Capote OMP for even iron isotopes
- No reduction of (n,tot) necessary
- Even fewer experimental datasets (No dosimetry file)
- Fit (n,a) to the few experiments available



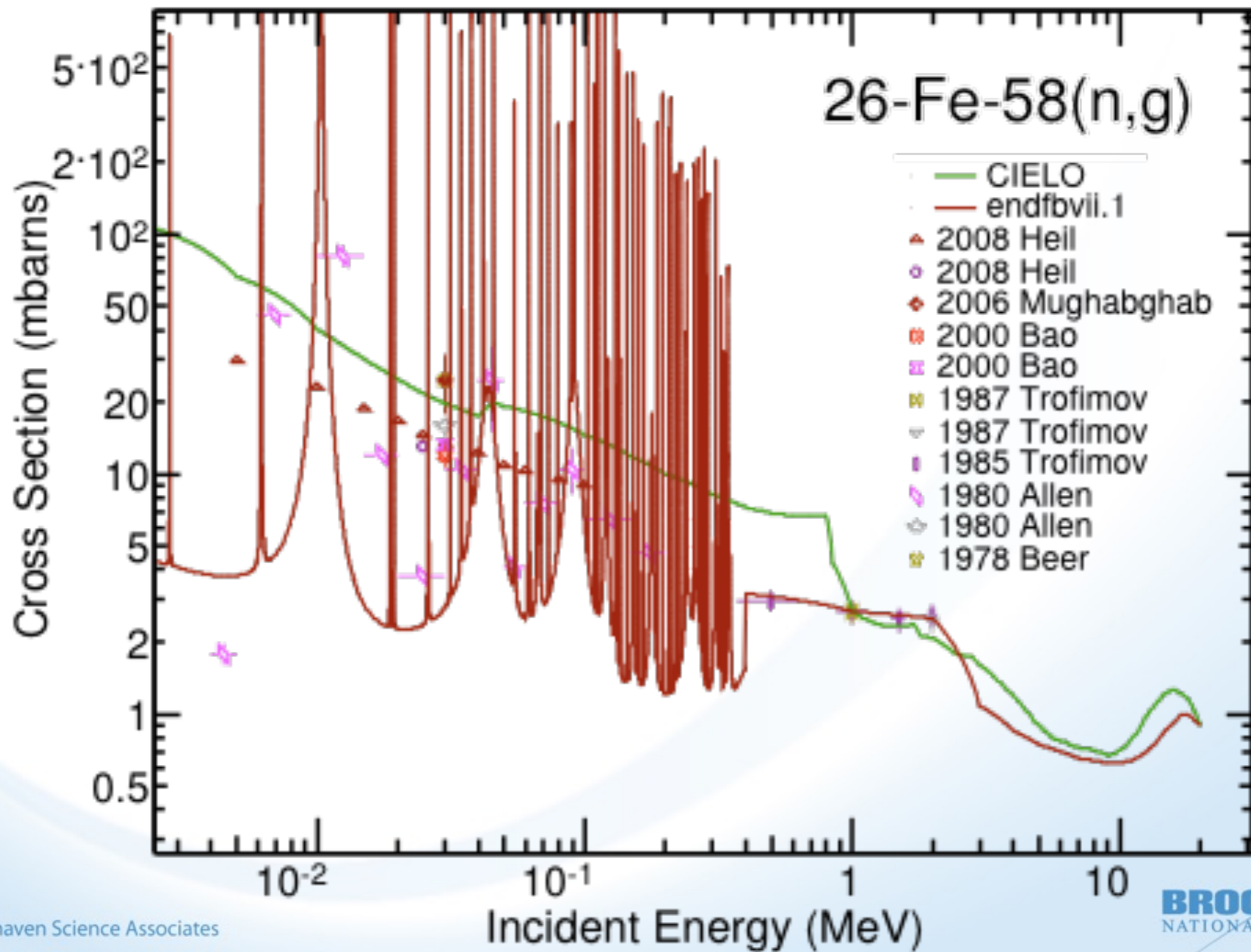
Resonances

- From Moxon

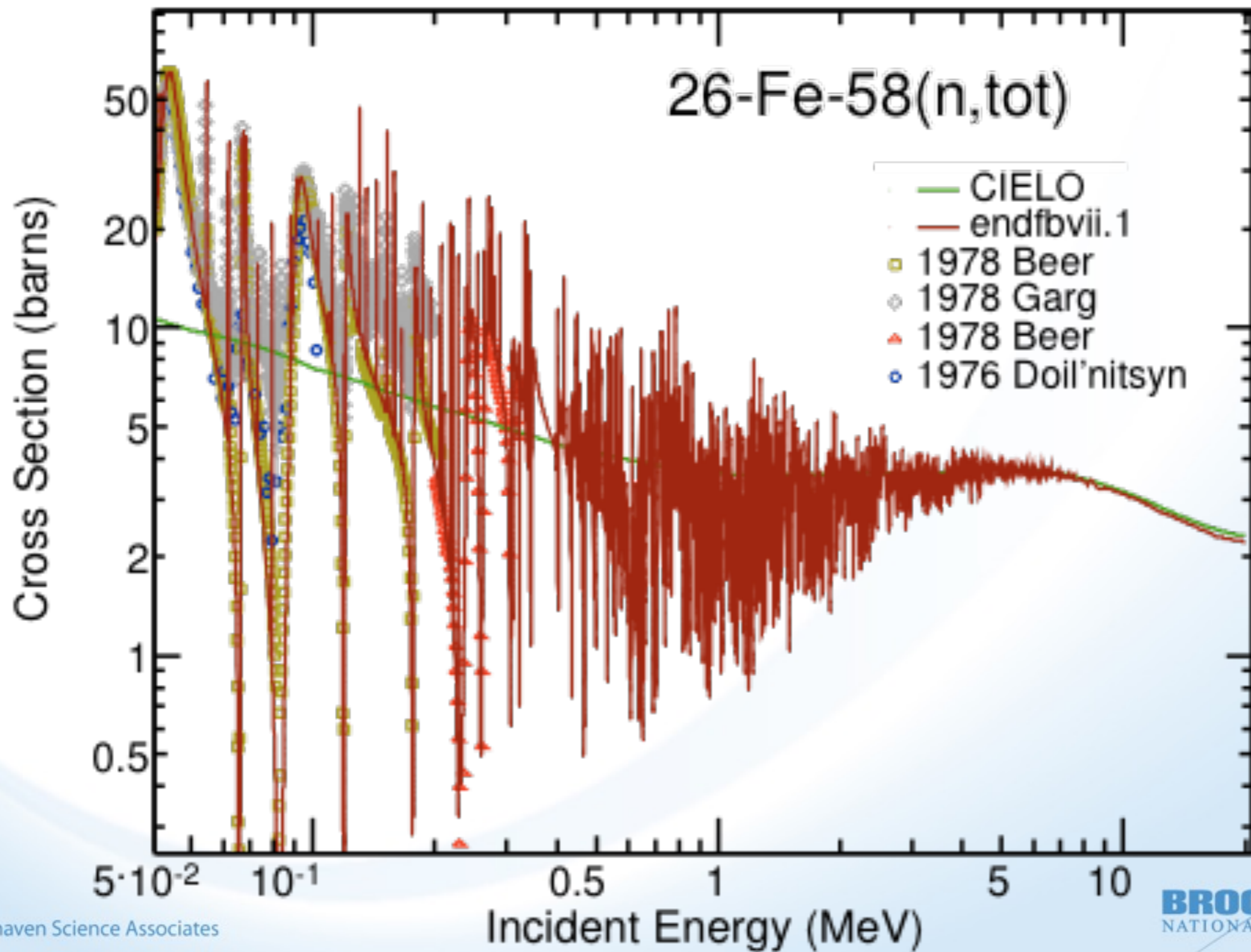
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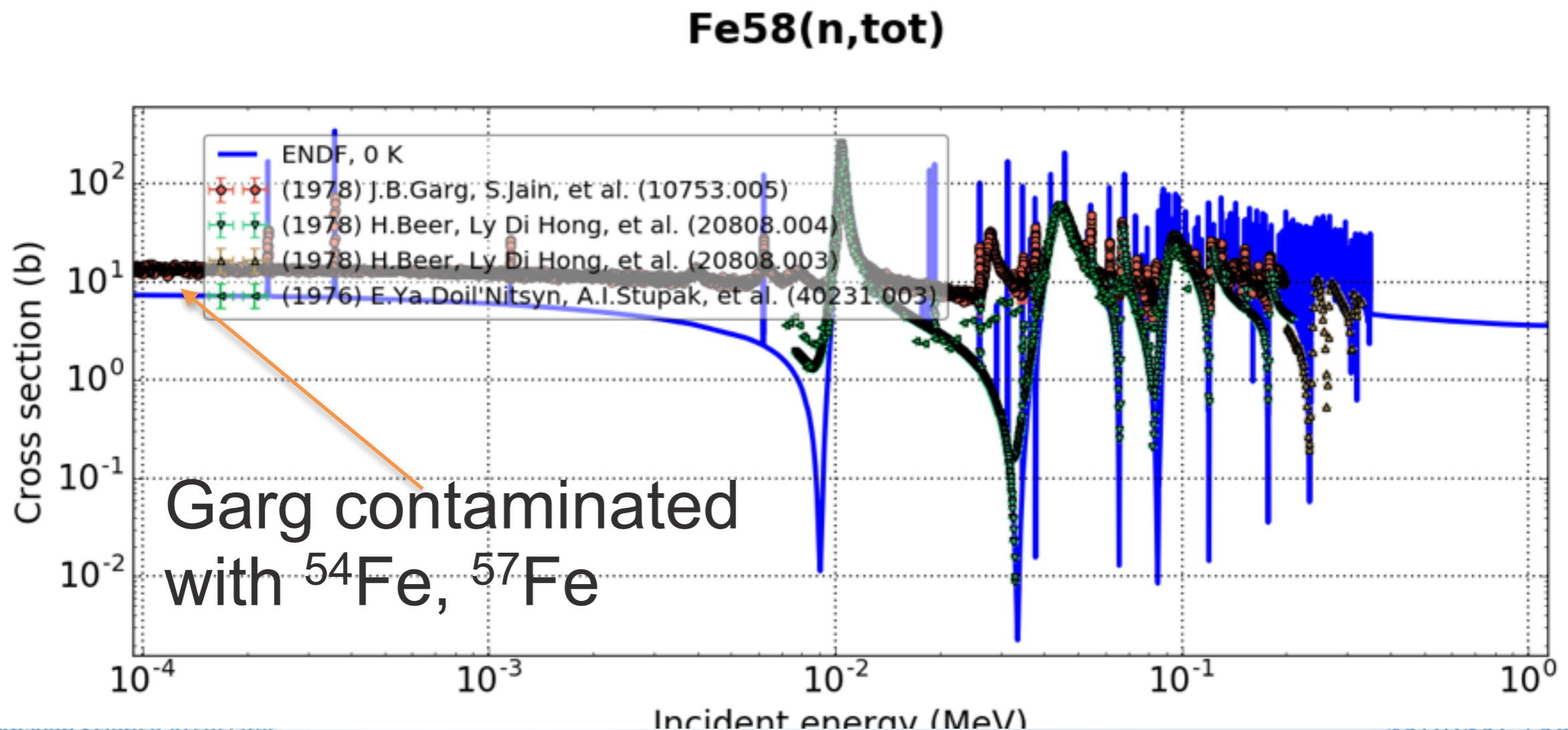


^{58}Fe



^{58}Fe : from Moxon

Moxon evaluation taken from JEFF-3.2. The unresolved region is for self-shielding only. All angular distributions, including RRR and URR, are calculated by EMPIRE.



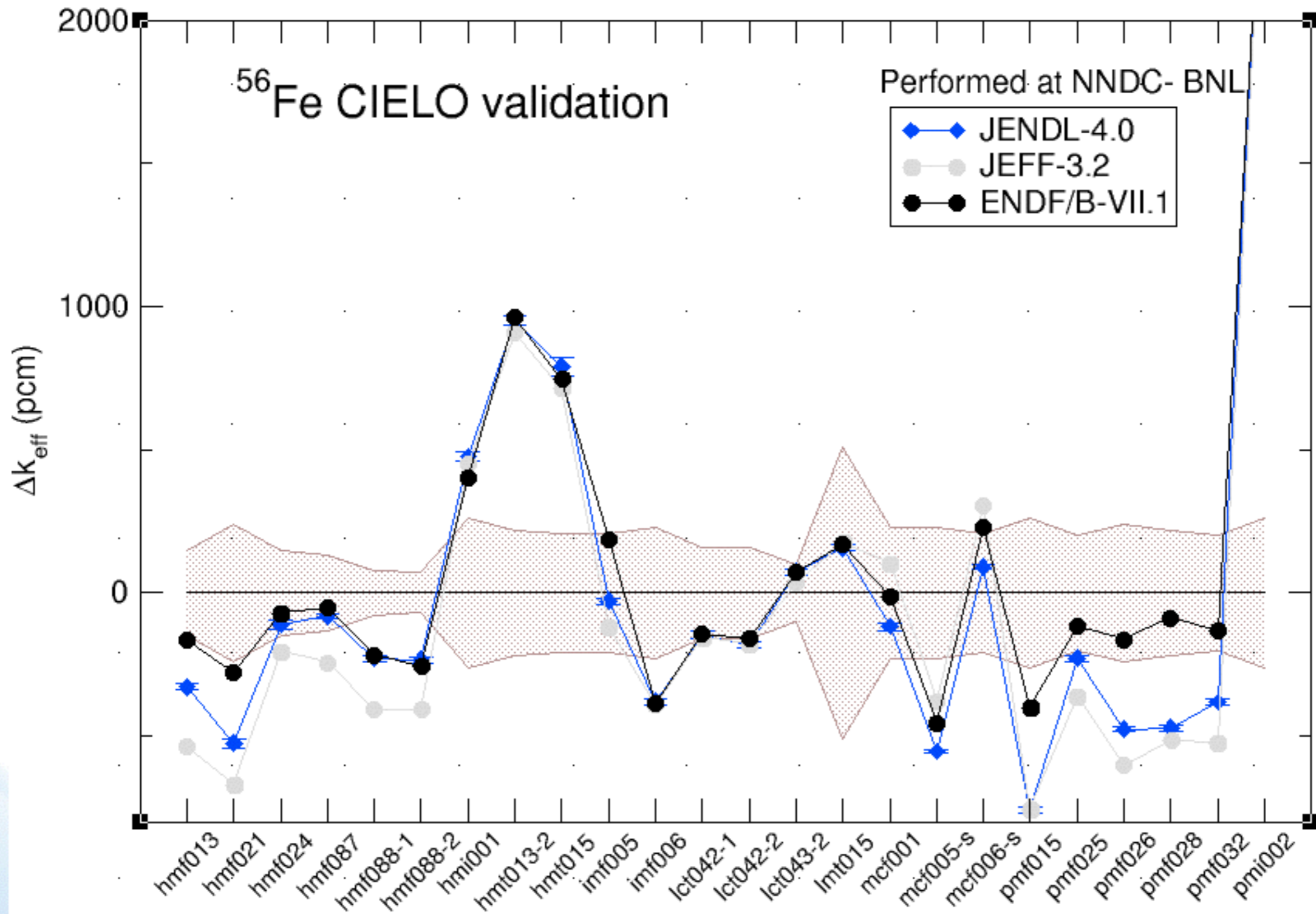
ICSBEP Validation at the NNDC

- CIELO 54Fe rev.222
- CIELO 56Fe rev.219
- CIELO 57Fe rev.234
- CIELO 58Fe rev.224
- ENDF/B-VII.1 (official LANL ACE lib.)

On what do we test?

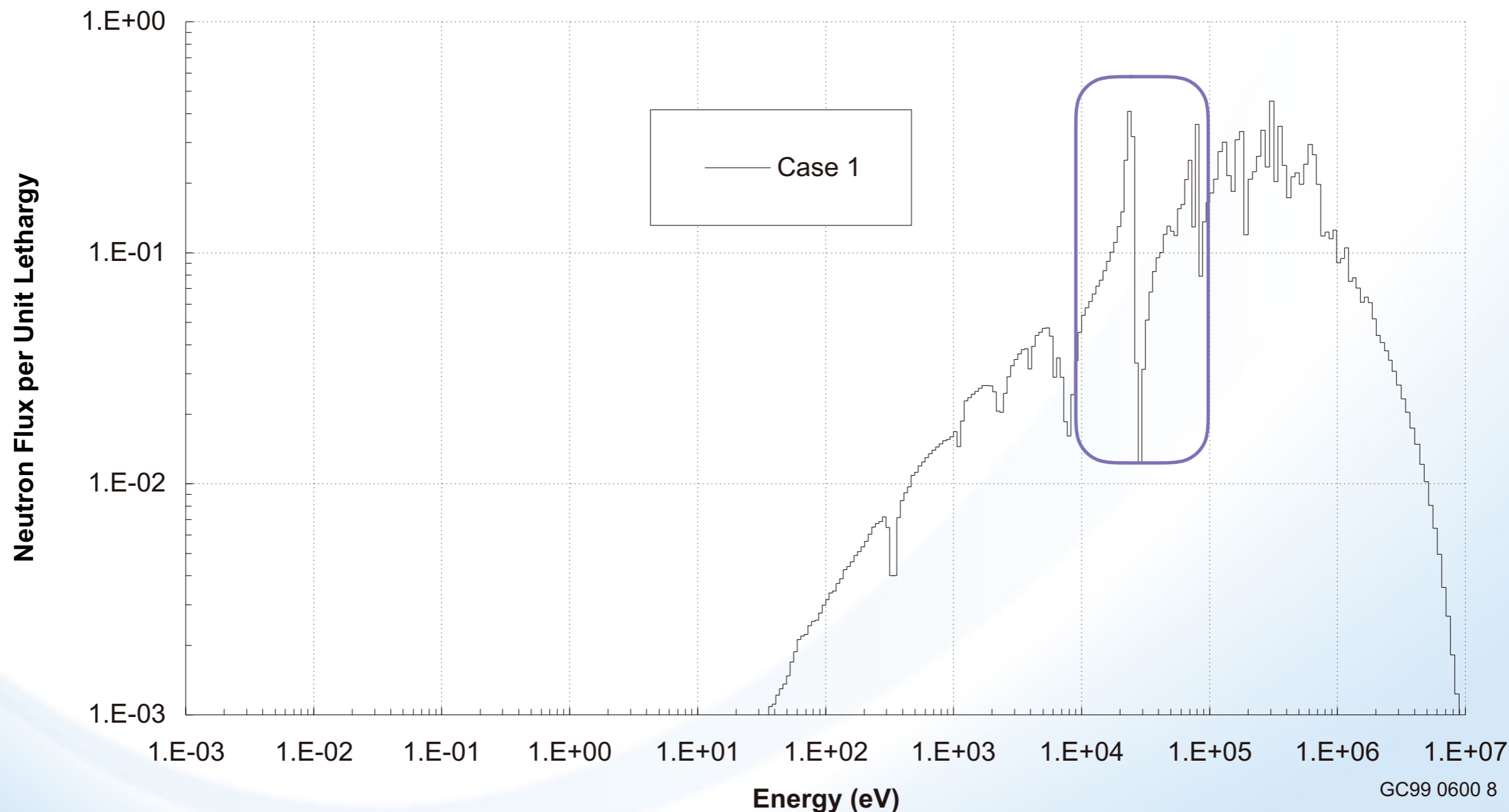
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5	PU-MET-FAST-032	pmf032
6	HEU-MET-FAST-013	VNIITF-CTF-SS-13
7	HEU-MET-FAST-021	VNIITF-CTF-SS-21
8	HEU-MET-FAST-024	VNIITF-CTF-SS-24
9	IEU-MET-FAST-005	VNIITF-CTF-SS-5
10	IEU-MET-FAST-006	VNIITF-CTF-SS-6
11	HEU-MET-FAST-087	VNIITF-CTF-Fe
12	HEU-MET-FAST-088	hmf088-1
13	HEU-MET-FAST-088	hmf088-2
14	LEU-COMP-THERM-042	lct042-1
15	LEU-COMP-THERM-042	lct042-2
16	LEU-COMP-THERM-043	IPEN/MB-01
17	LEU-MET-THERM-015	lmt015
18	HEU-MET-THERM-013	hmt013-2
19	HEU-MET-THERM-015	hmt015
20	HEU-MET-INTER-001	ZPR-9/34
21	PU-MET-INTER-002	ZPR-6/10
22	MIX-COMP-FAST-001	ZPR-6/7
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Starting point VII.1 v. JENDL-4.0 v. JEFF-3.2



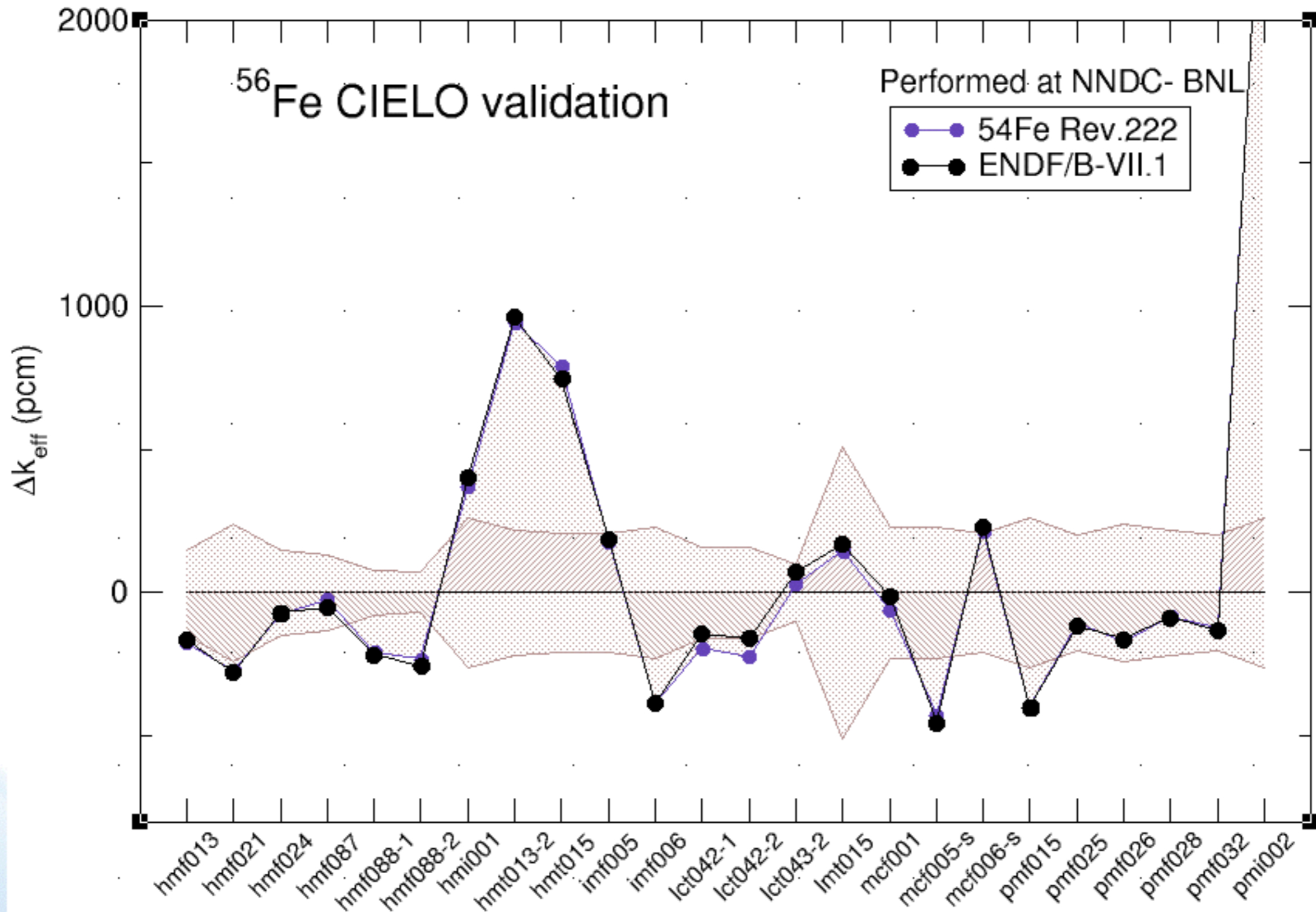
HEU-MET-INTER-001 very sensitive to 10 - 50 keV part of cross section

Neutron spectrum

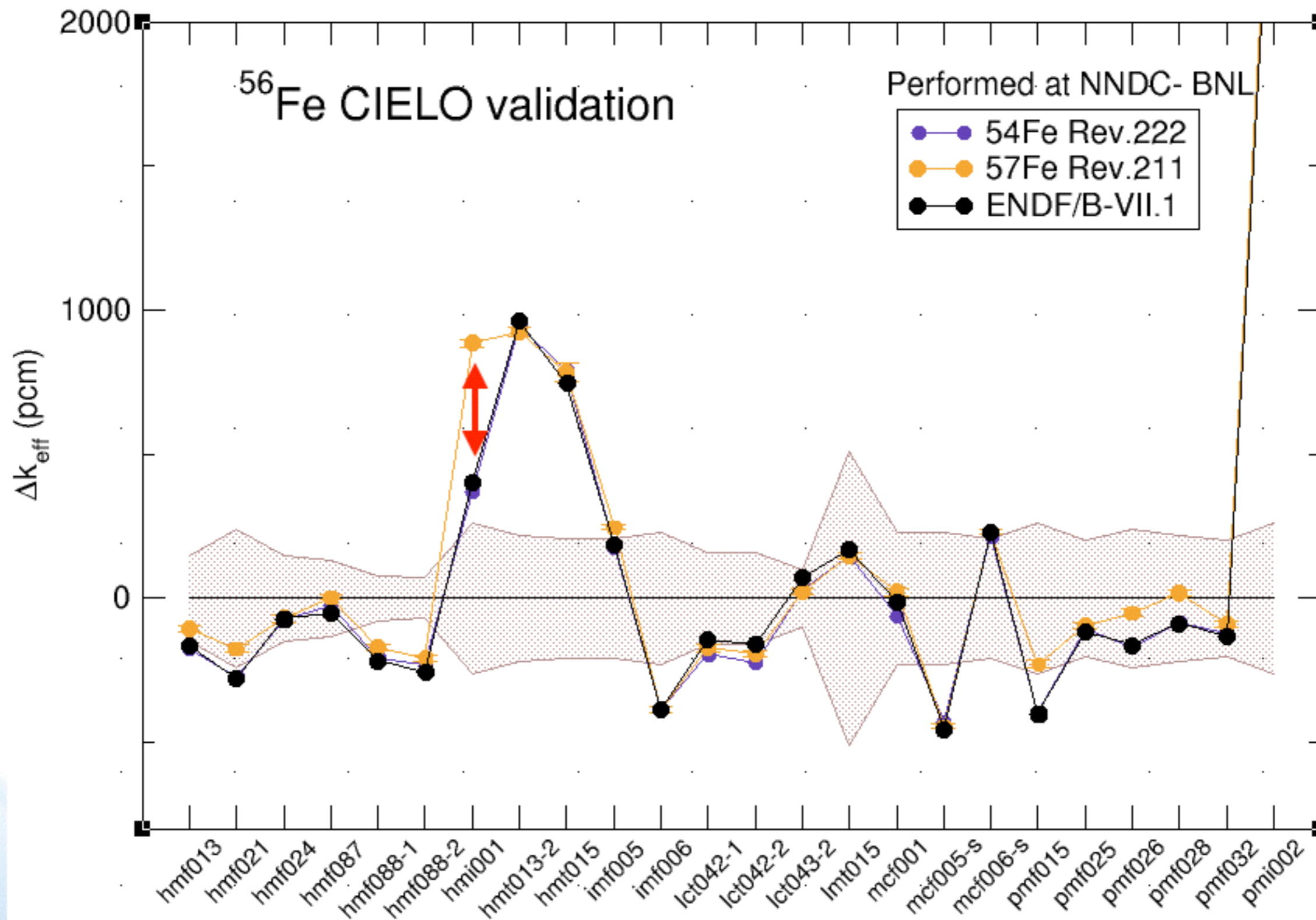


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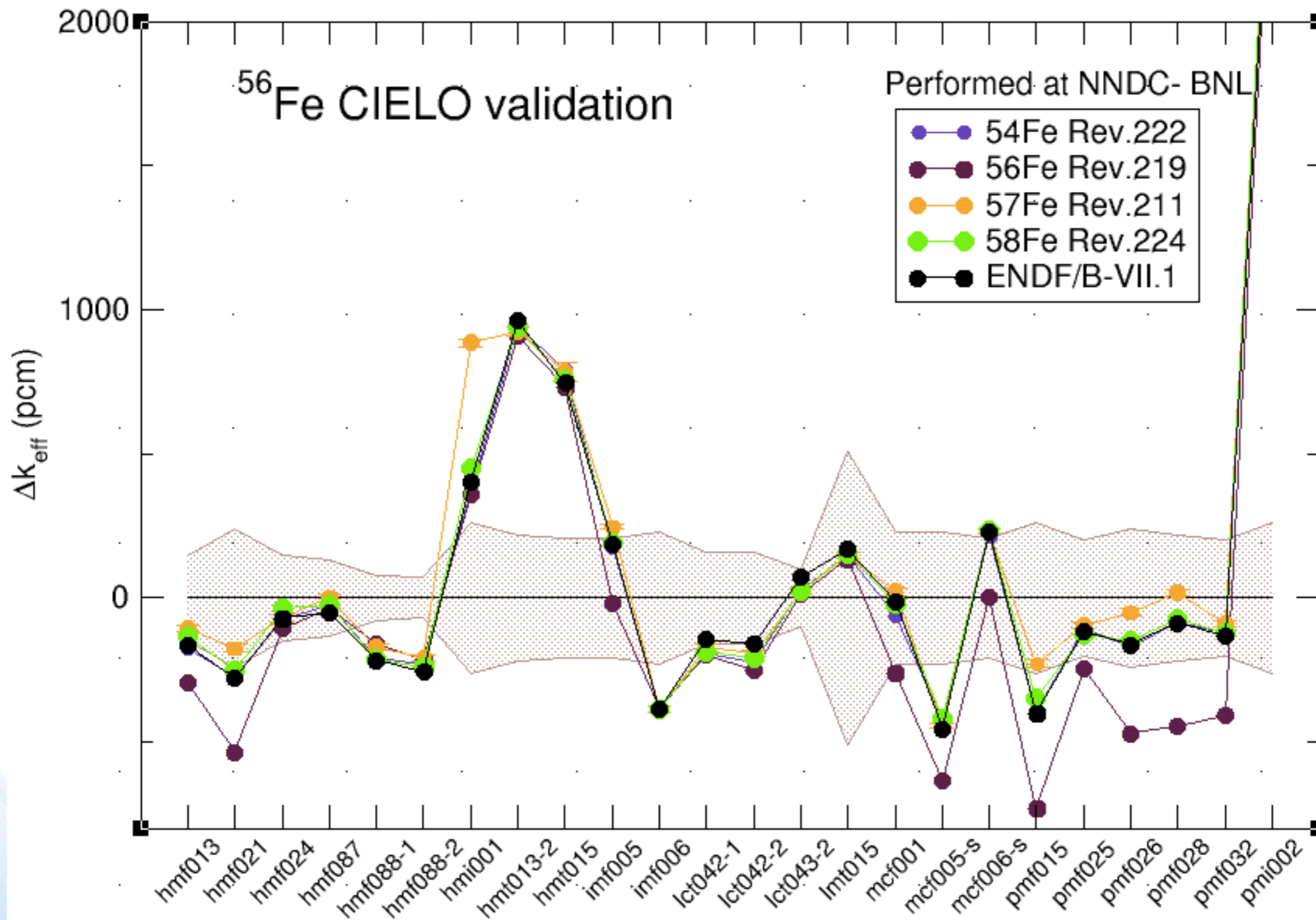
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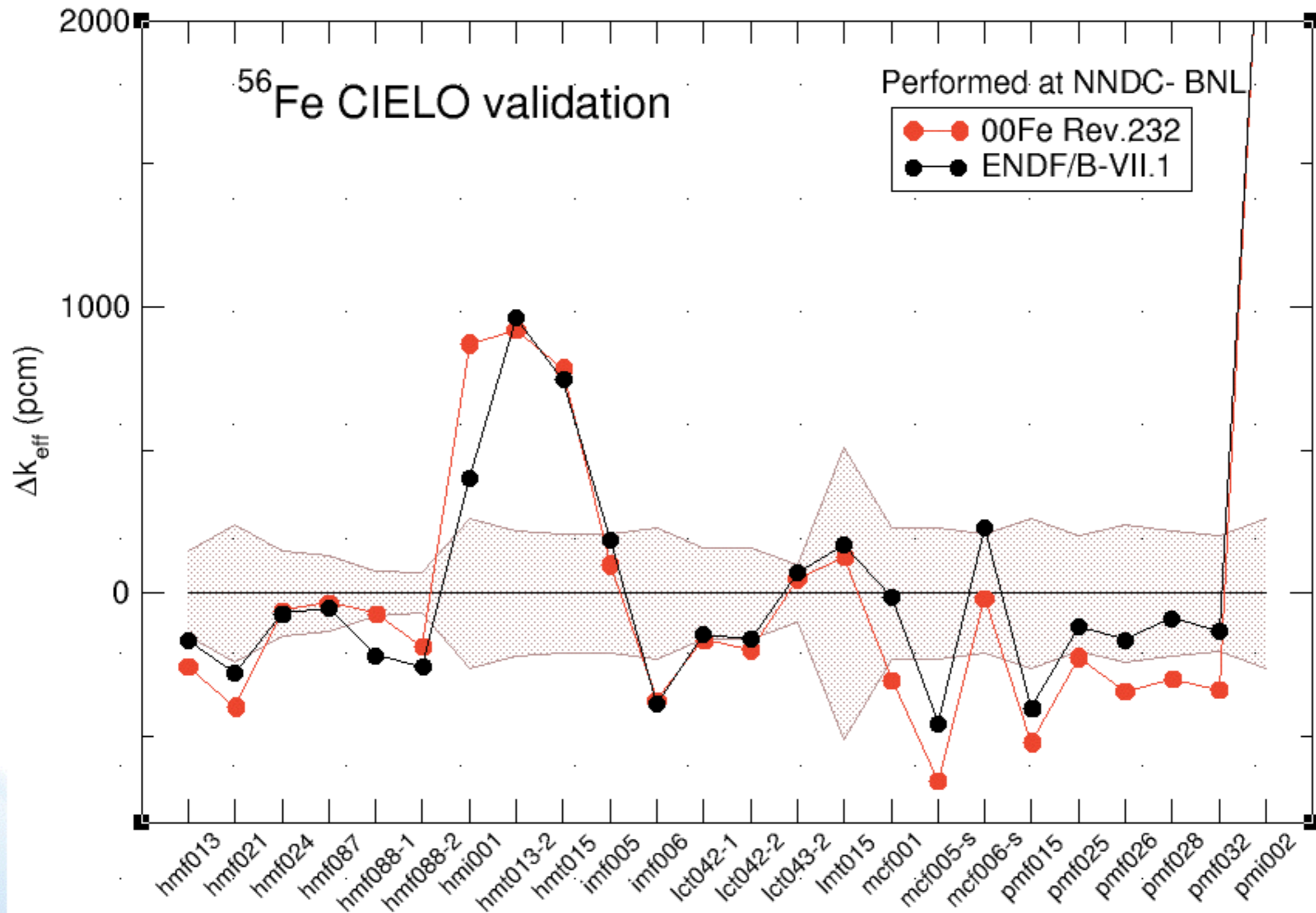
...adding CIELO 57Fe



...adding CIELO 56Fe and 58Fe



ENDF/B-VII.1 + CIELO natFe



Conclusions

- First versions of evaluated files for iron isotopes are ready
- Promising results even though minor improvements will be necessary
- Preliminary calculations of covariances were performed for main reactions
- Validation and tests have begun
- Consistency among isotope parameters
- To our knowledge, first ever non-SAMMY LRF=7 resonance evaluation

MACS (30 keV)

	β_0	KADONIS	ENDF/B-VII.1*	JENDL-4.0*
^{54}Fe	28.3±1.3	29.6±1.3	21.6±2.7	21.6
^{56}Fe	11.2±1.1	11.7±0.5	11.5±1.1	11.8
^{57}Fe	36.02	40.0±4.0	28.5±4.6	30.2
^{58}Fe	13.7±1.5	13.5±0.7	19.7	14.0

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