



Sectoral Operational Programme
„Increase of Economic Competitiveness”
“Investments for Your Future”

Extreme Light Infrastructure – Nuclear Physics (ELI-NP) - Phase I
Project co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund

Photonuclear Reactions at Extreme Light Infrastructure - Nuclear Physics (ELI-NP)

*P(ND)2-2 – Second International Workshop on Perspectives on Nuclear Data for the Next Decade
14-17 October 2014 Bruyères-le-Châtel, France 2014*

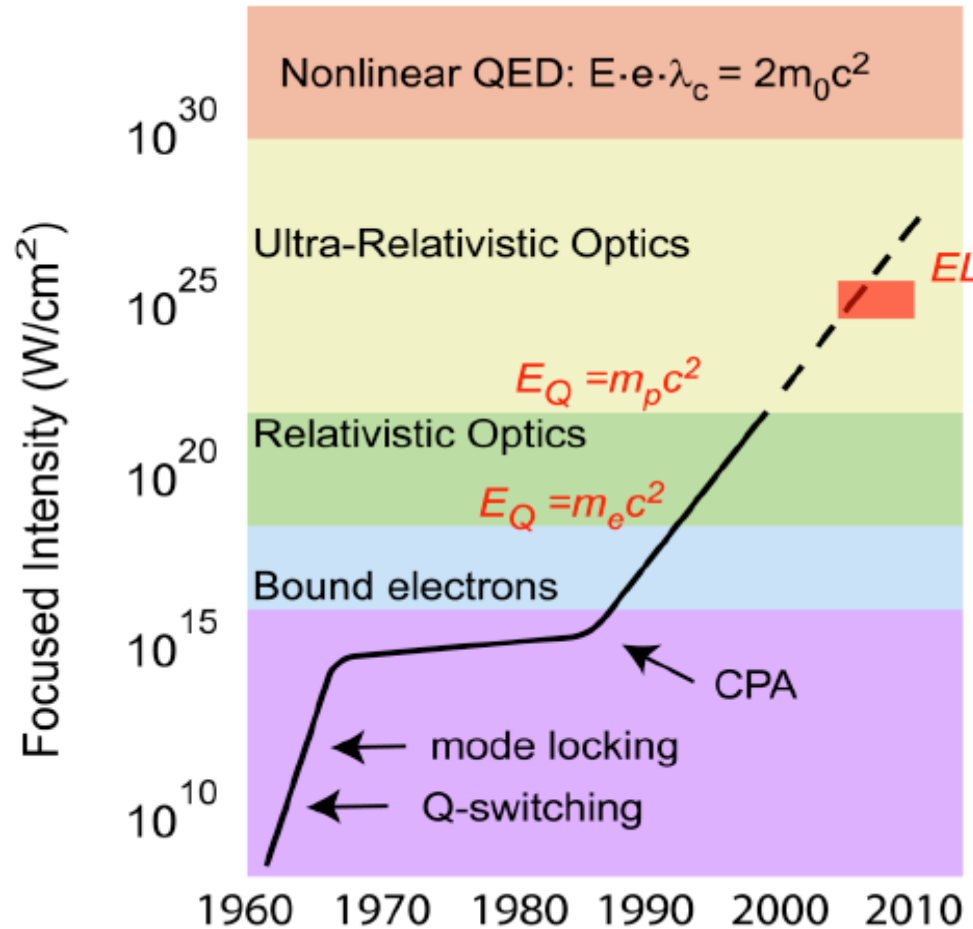
N.V Zamfir, D.M. Filipescu



V. Varlamov, H. Utsunomiya, F. Camera, A. Krasznahorkay

Extreme Light Infrastructure

Gerard Mourou 1985: Chirped Pulse Amplification (CPA)



2006 – ELI on ESFRI Roadmap

ELI-PP 2007-2010 (FP7)

ELI-Beamlines (Czech Republic)

ELI-Attoseconds (Hungary)

ELI-Nuclear Physics (Romania)

ELI-DC (Delivery Consortium): 2010

Legal entity: April 2013

Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania,

Italy, Germany, UK



January 2012: Project submitted to the EC

July 2012: Romanian Government Decision

Construction of the New Research Infrastructure ELI-NP: 293 M€

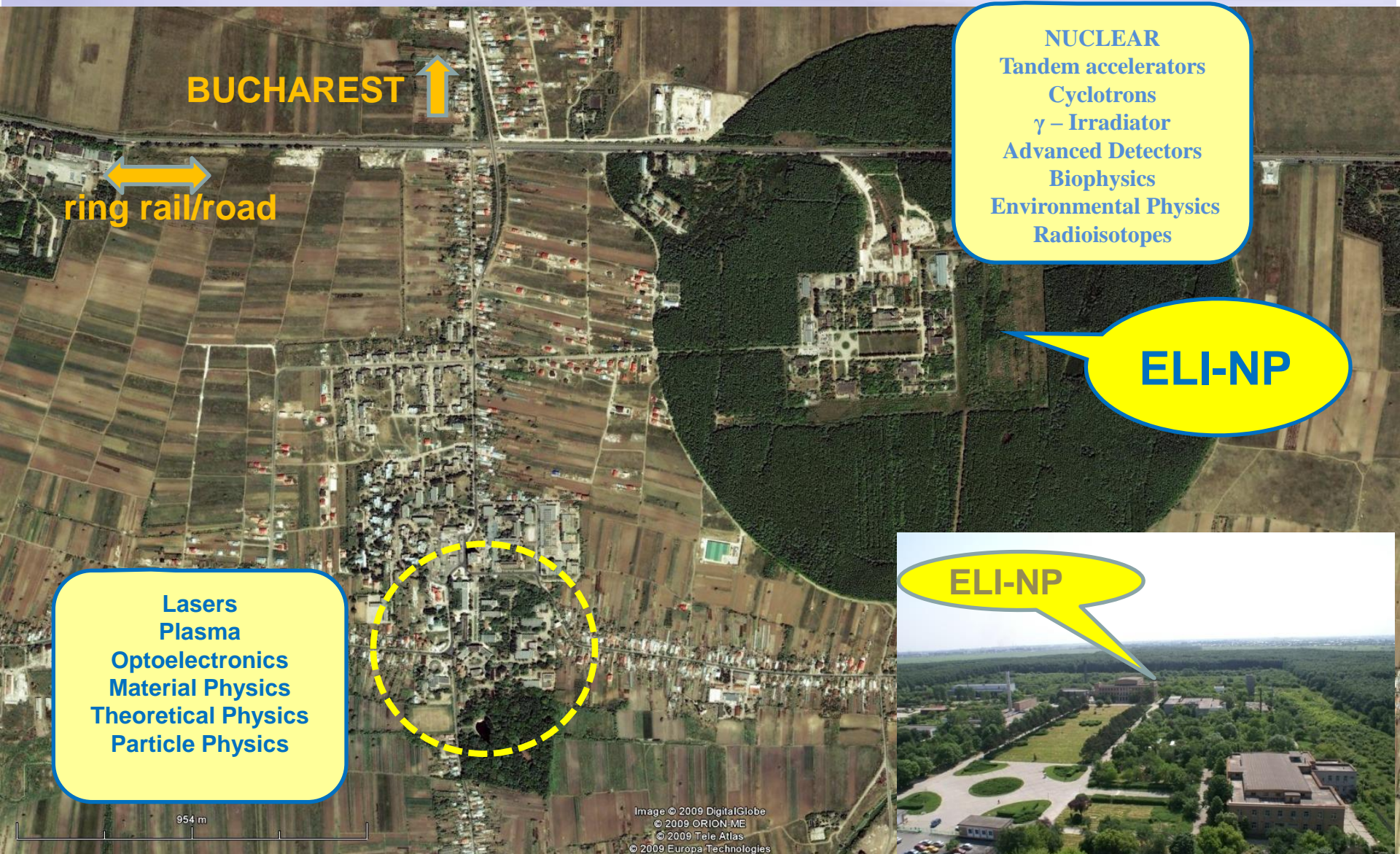
September 2012: EC Project Approval

European Regional Development Fund

Financial Support (83%) of the First phase (2012-2015) 180 M€

December 2012: Contract with Romanian Managing Authority

Bucharest-Magurele National Physics Institutes



Project implementation

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015

White Book (Scientific Case)
Feasibility Study 293M€

Preparation of the Application

E.C. Evaluation & Approval

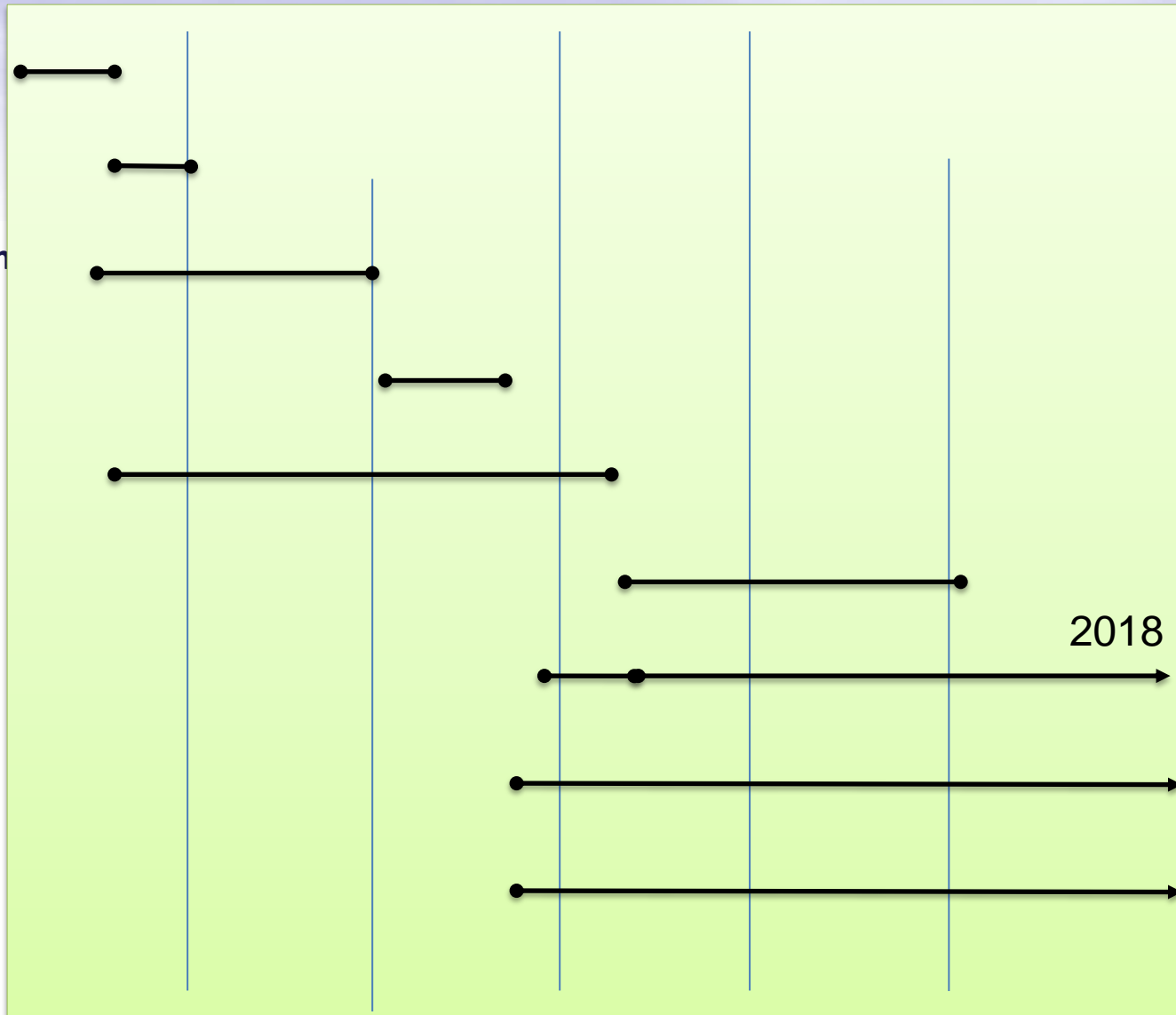
Building - Preparation

Building - Construction

Major Eqp.– Constr, Install

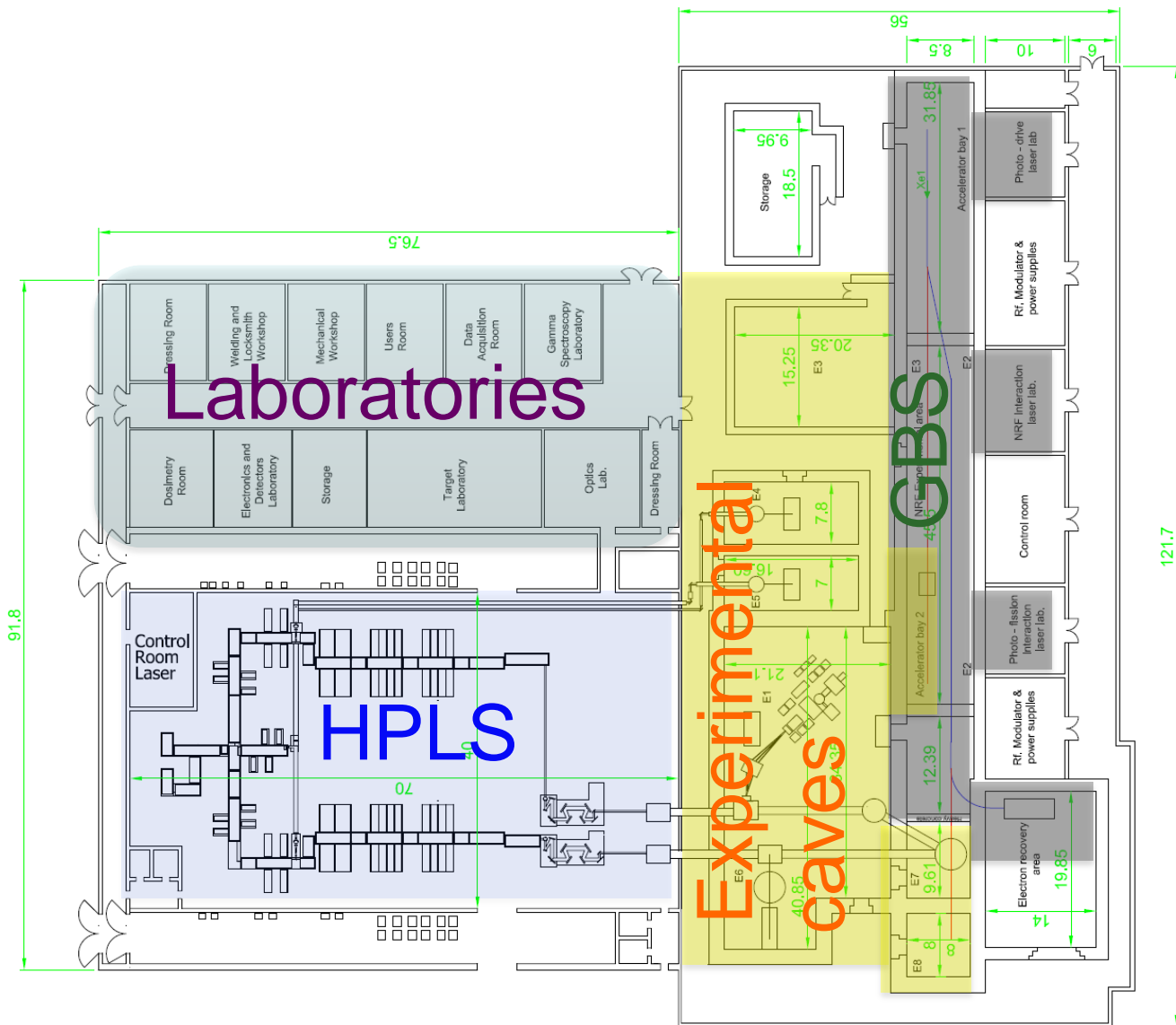
Experimental set-ups

Recruitment



2018

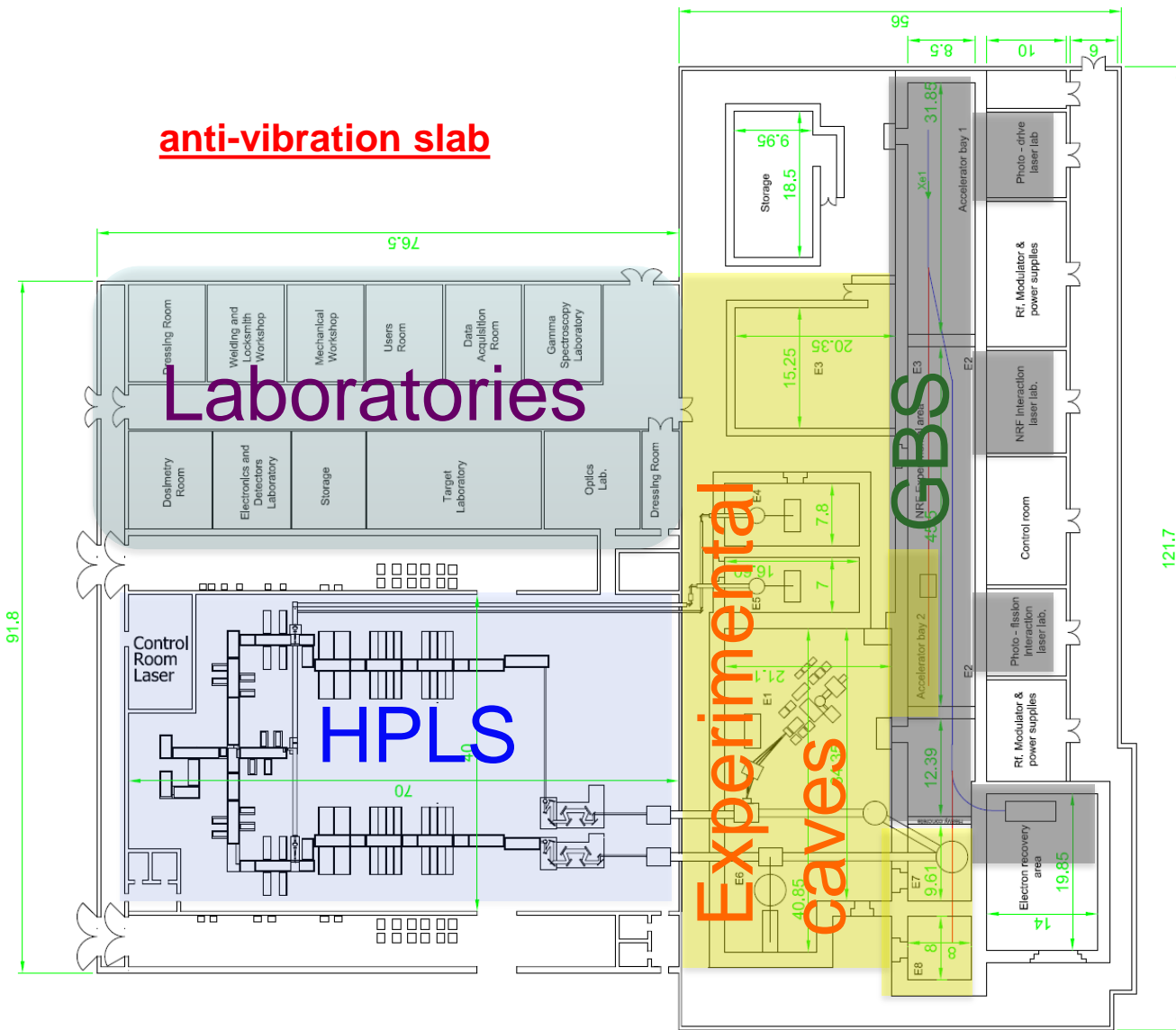
ELI-NP: Laboratory Building



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$\pm 1 \mu\text{m} @ < 10 \text{ Hz}$



Buildings – STRABAG, 33000 m² total (~65M€)

- Experimental area building
- Office building
- Guest house
- Canteen



2x10PW Laser Contract

July 12th, 2013

Thales Optronique SAS and S.C. Thales System Romania SRL

2013-2017

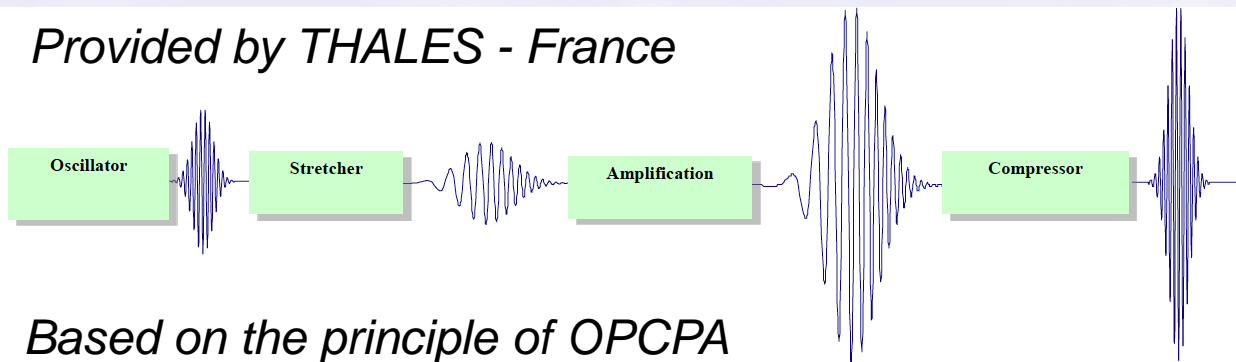
61.5 MEuro



ELI-NP HPLS

2 HPLS up to 10 PW – 6 output lines

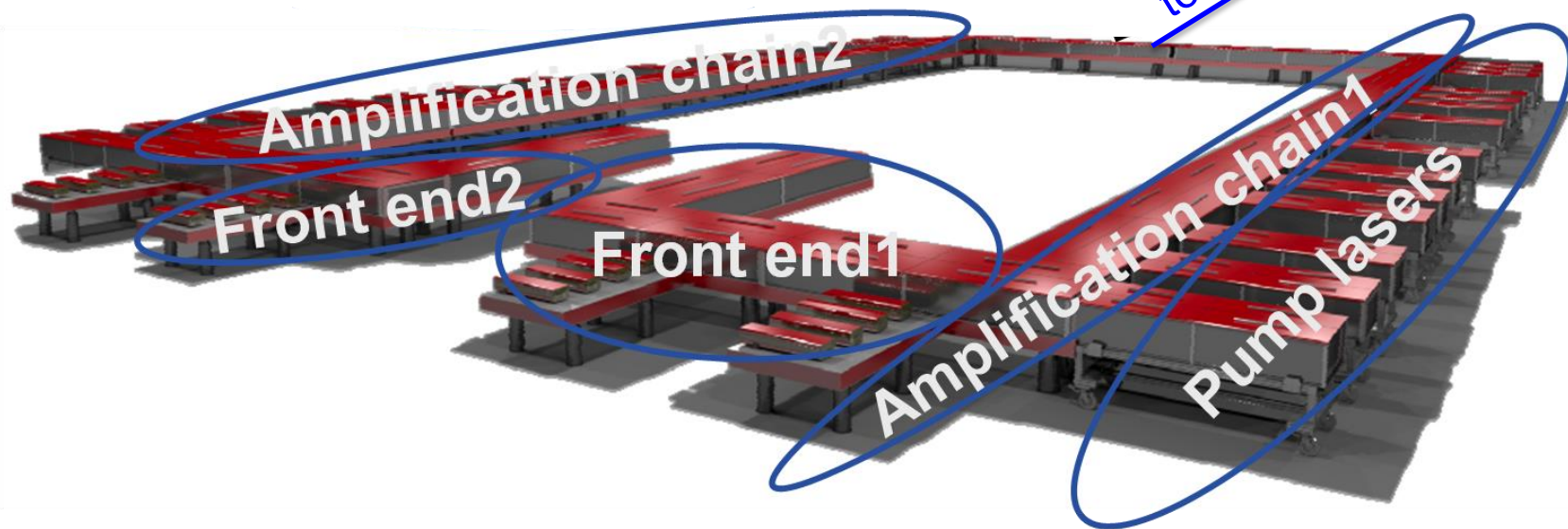
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2 x 0.1 PW
2 x 1 PW
2 x 10 PW

Based on the principle of OPCPA

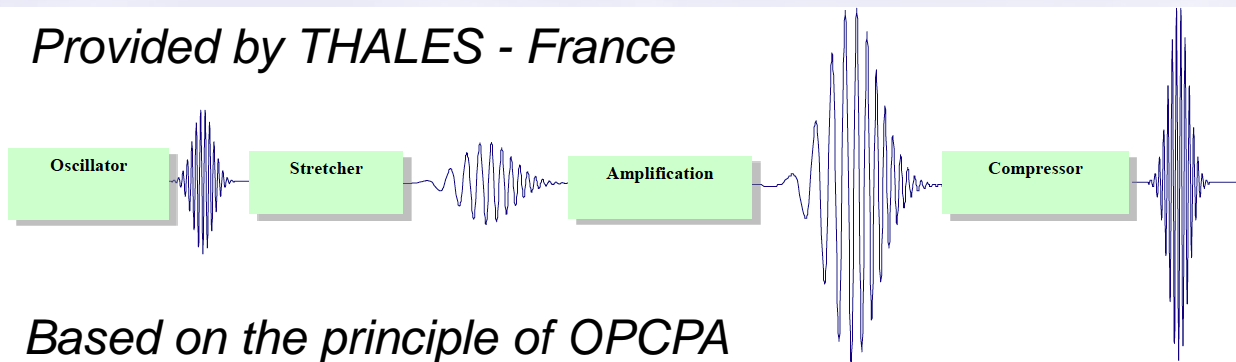
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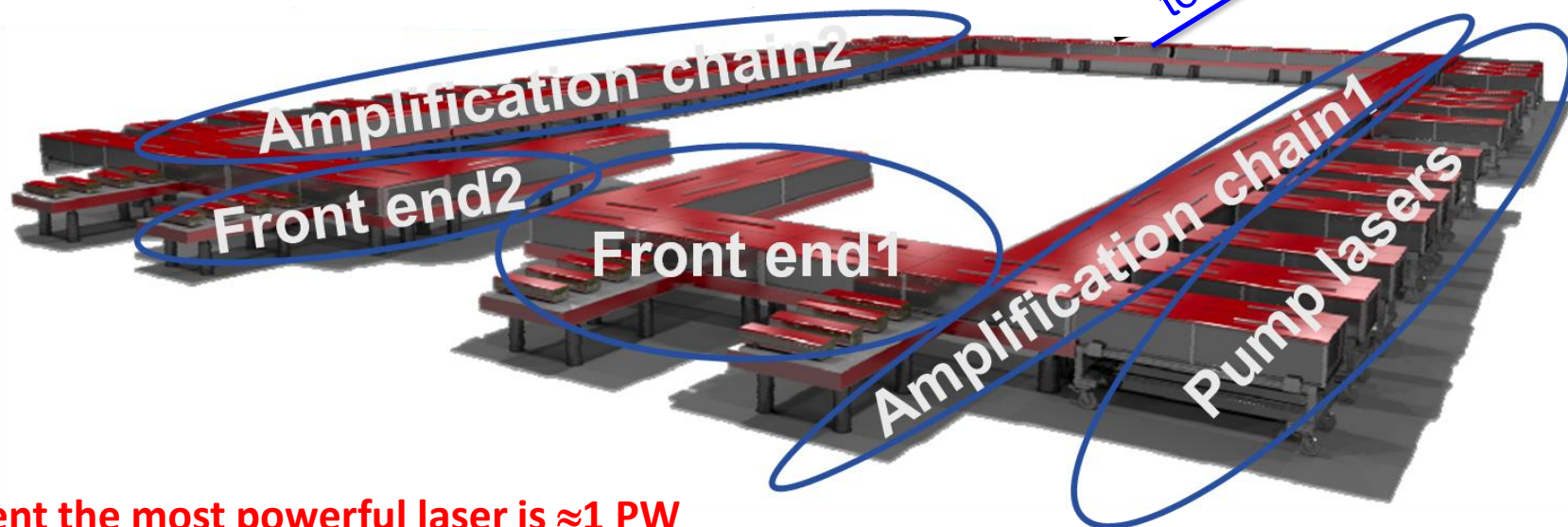
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Based on the principle of OPCPA

to compressors



at present the most powerful laser is ≈ 1 PW

Gamma Beam System Contract

March 19th, 2019

EuroGammaS Consortium

2014-2018

66.8 MEuro



ELI-NP Gamma Beam System: the Italy-France-United Kingdom proposal



European Collaboration for the proposal of a Gamma-Beam System to the ELI-NP Project

EuroGammaS



European Collaboration for the proposal of the gamma- ray source:

- ✓ Italy: INFN, Sapienza
 - ✓ France: IN2P3, Univ. Paris Sud
 - ✓ UK: ASTeC/STFC
- ~ 80 collaborators elaborating
the CDR/TDR

Scientific program:

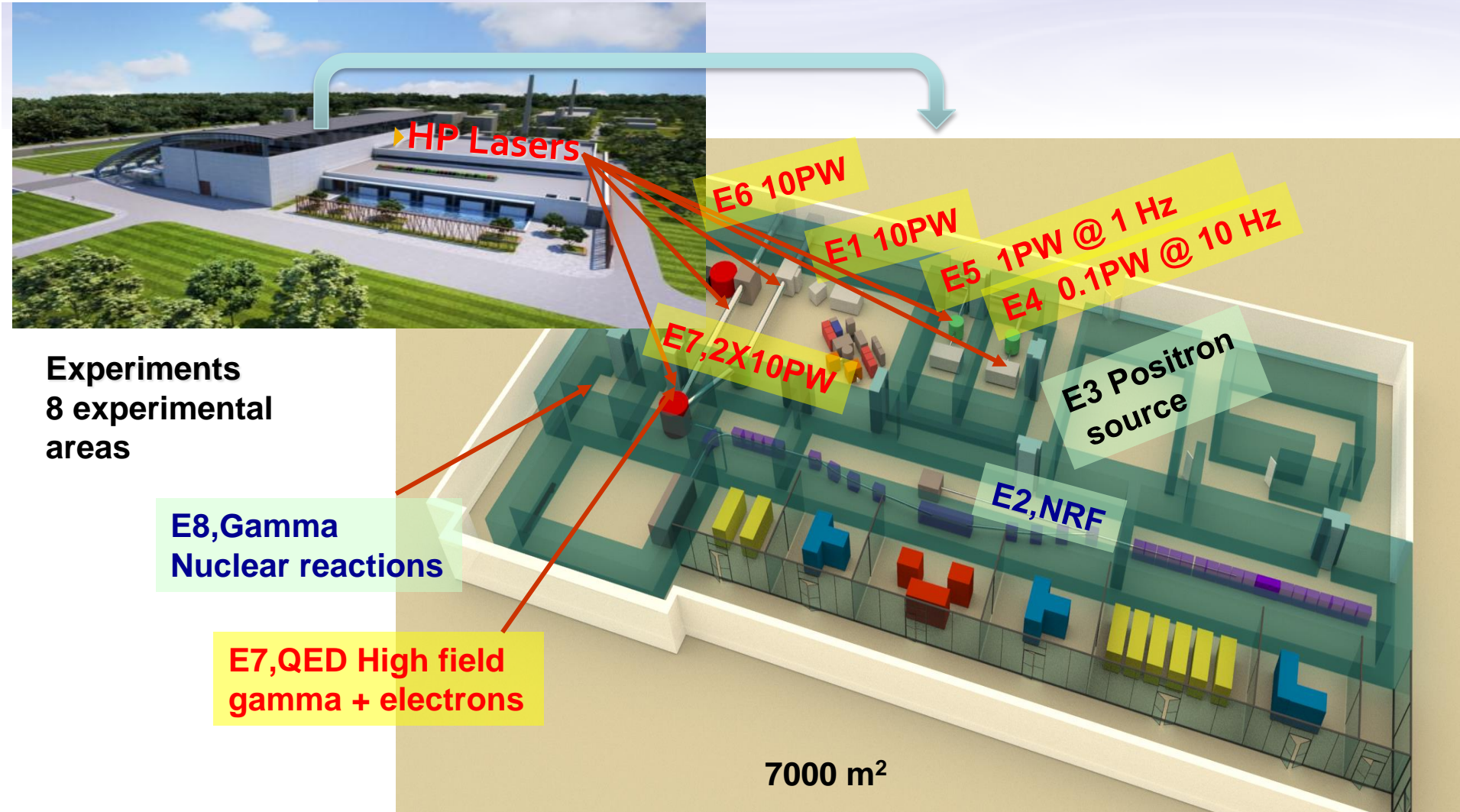
Nuclear Physics experiments to characterize laser – target int.

Photonuclear reactions

Exotic Nuclear Physics and astrophysics

Applied Research

ELI-NP Experiment Building



- Workshops in June 2013, April 2014, February 2015;

Gamma WGs:

- NRF and applications
- Photo fission (production and physics)
- Gamma above Threshold
- Charged particle array

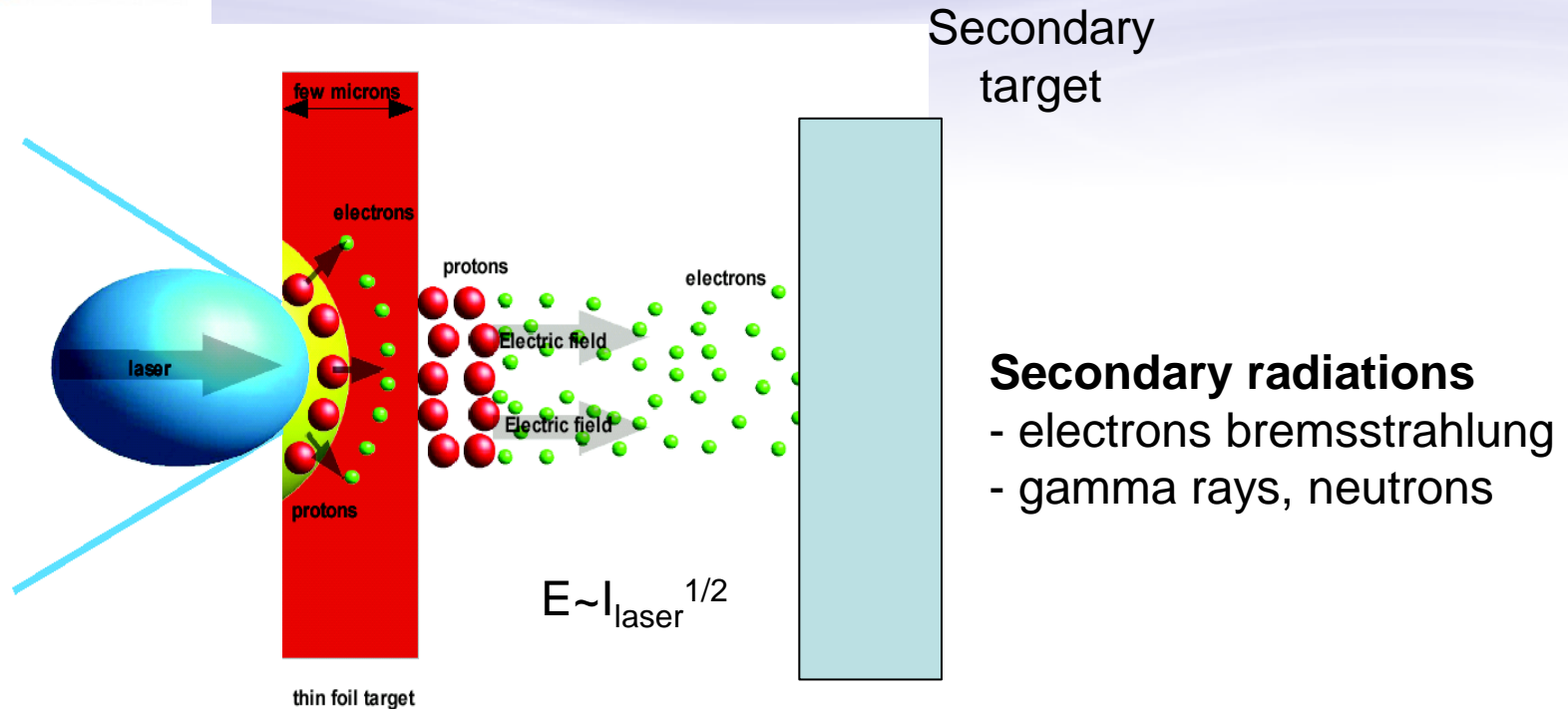
+ Positron source for materials science WG

+ Transversal WGs: Vacuum, Control Systems, Dosimetry

Laser WGs:

- Ion driven nuclear physics: fission-fusion
- Strong fields QED
- Towards High field (Laser +Gamma) and Plasma
- Applications

Target Normal Sheath Acceleration (TNSA)



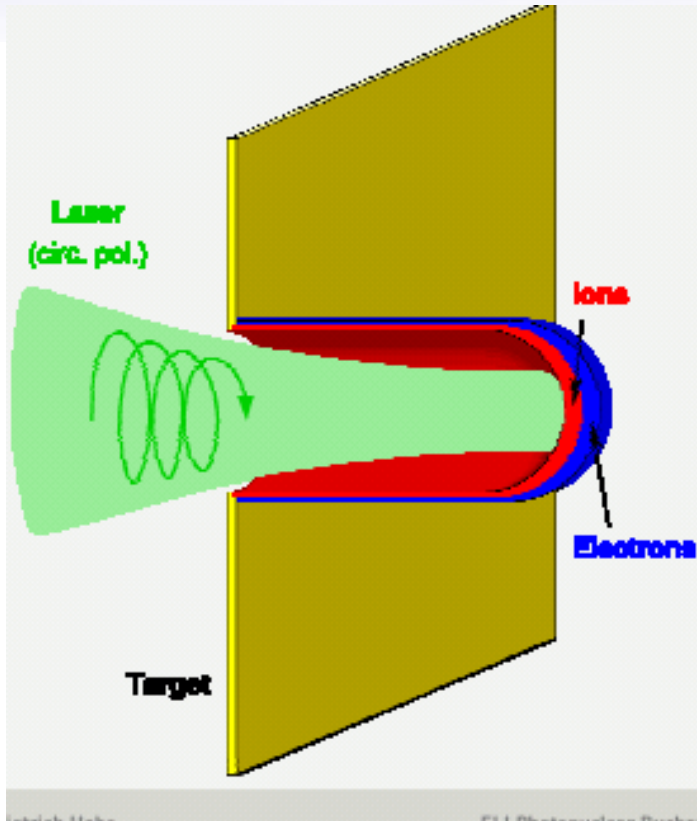
Primary radiations

Electrons are expelled from the target due to the shock wave induced by the powerful laser

Heavy ions are accelerated in the field created by the electrons

S.C. Wilks et al., Phys. Plasmas **8**, 542 (2001).

Radiation Pressure Acceleration RPA



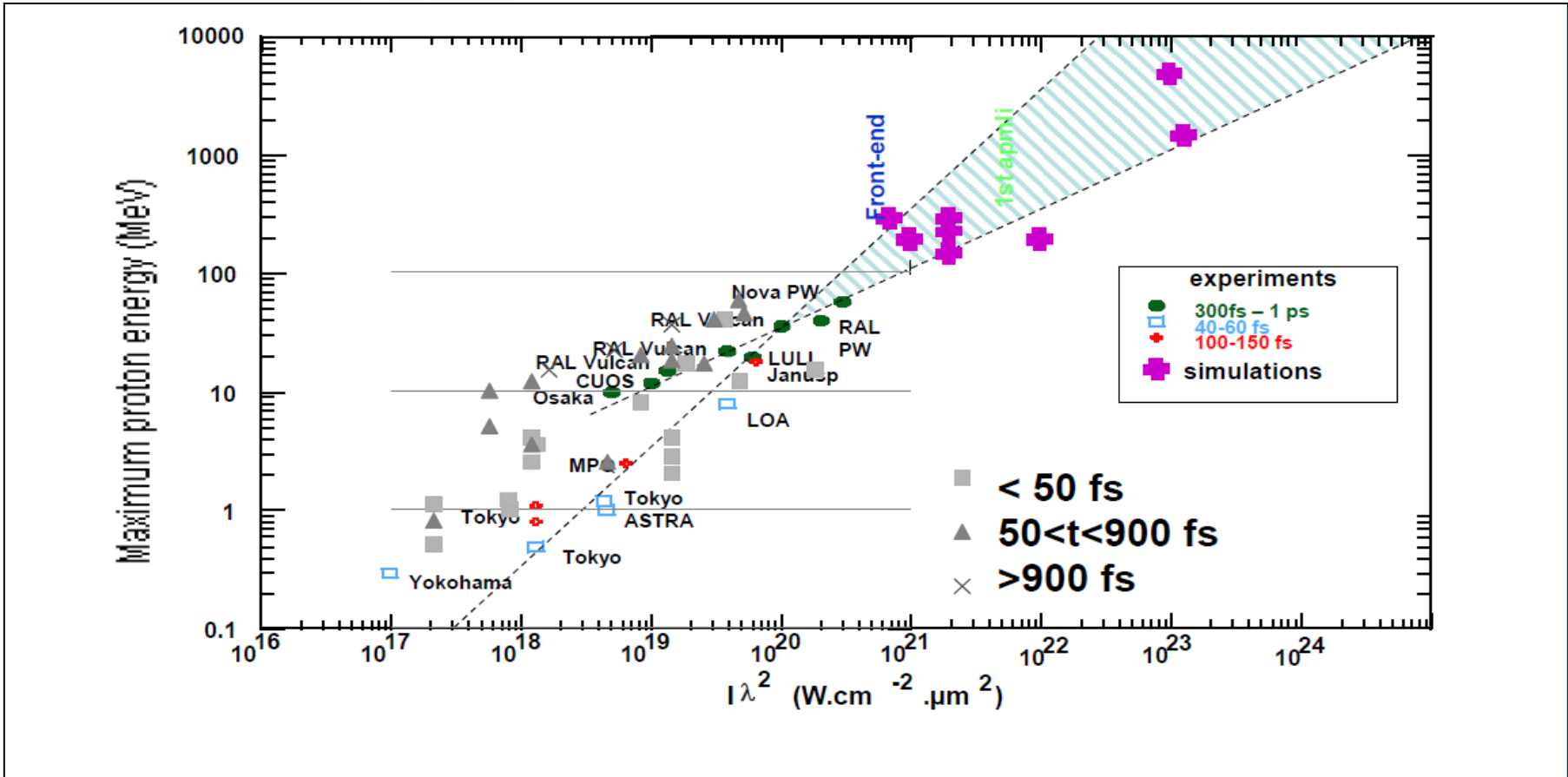
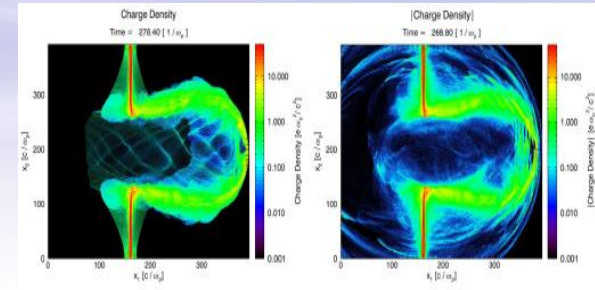
Electrons and ions accelerated
at solid state densities 10^{24}e cm^{-3}
(Classical beam densities 10^8e cm^{-3})
on very short distance (μm - mm)

$$E \sim I_{\text{laser}}$$

Energy reached equal to a 400m up-to-date
accelerator (reduction of scale of 10^9)

Proton acceleration

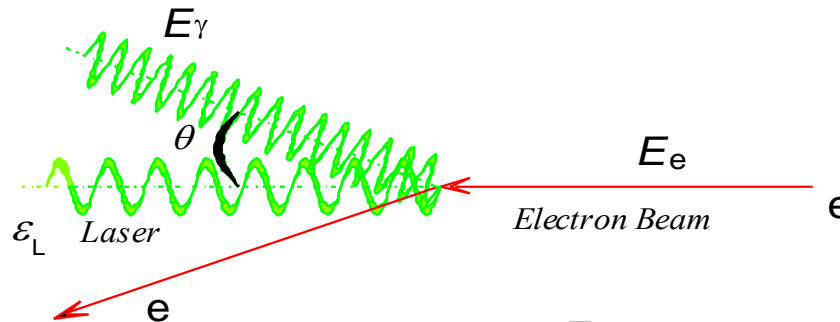
RPA simulations 10 23 W/cm² ,15 fs



Laser Compton Scattering (LCS) gamma ray sources

Main concepts

The γ ray beams are produced by the inverse Compton scattering of laser photons from relativistic electrons.



E_γ = energy of scattered photon

ϵ_L = energy of laser photon

E_e = total electron energy

θ = scattering angle of a laser photon with respect to the electron incident direction

mc^2 = rest energy of an electron

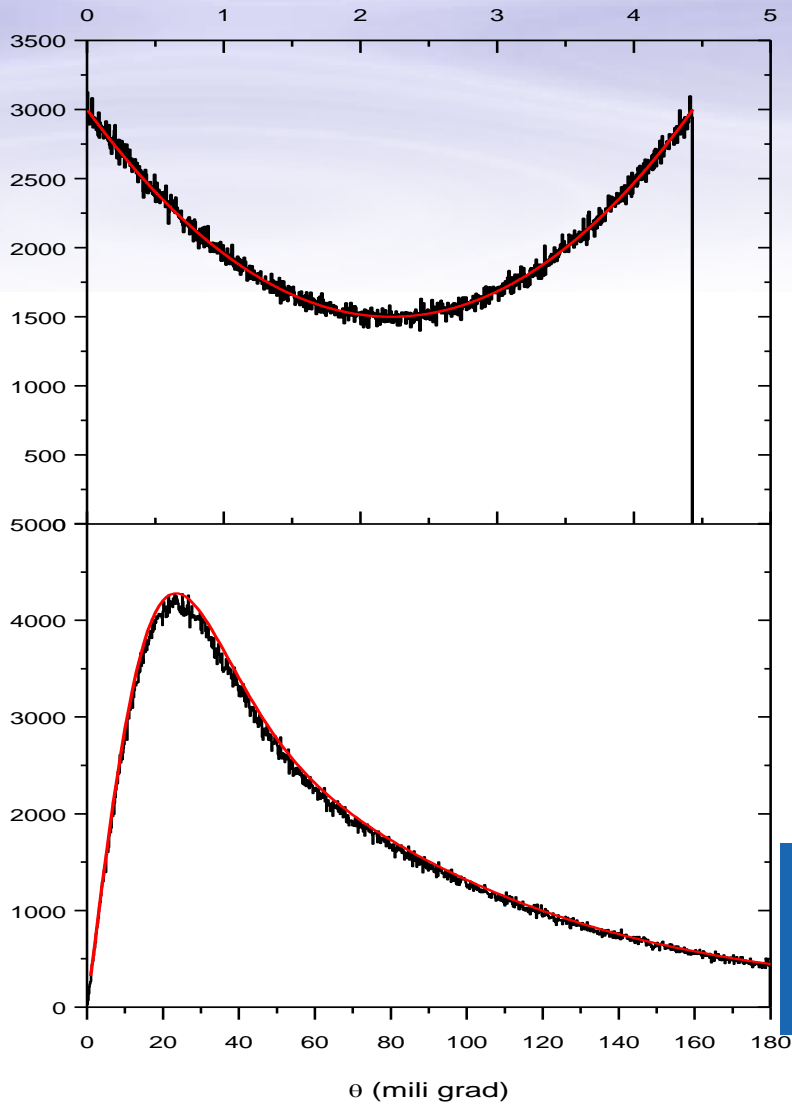
$$E_\gamma = \frac{\epsilon_L(1 + \beta)}{1 + \epsilon_L/E_e - (\beta - \epsilon_L/E_e) \cdot \cos \theta}$$

$$(small \theta) \approx \frac{4\gamma^2 \epsilon_L}{1 + (\gamma\theta)^2 + 4\gamma^2 \epsilon_L/(mc^2)}$$

$$E_\gamma \sim 4\gamma^2 \epsilon_L \quad \gamma = E_e/mc^2$$

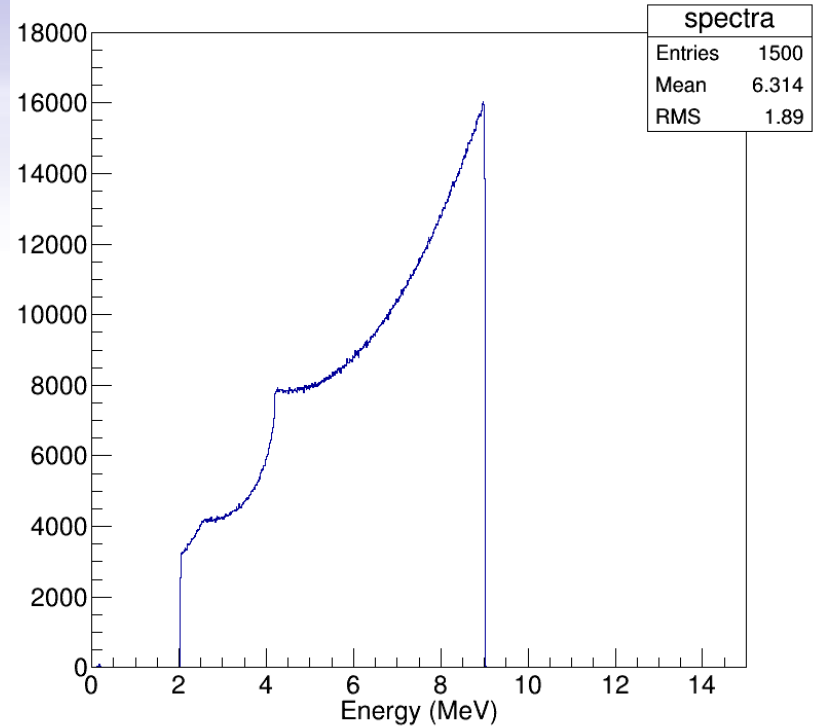
Continuous spectrum!

Laser Compton Scattering (LCS) gamma ray sources



Klein-Nishina C.S. theoretic vs. random generated

Main collimator aperture variation

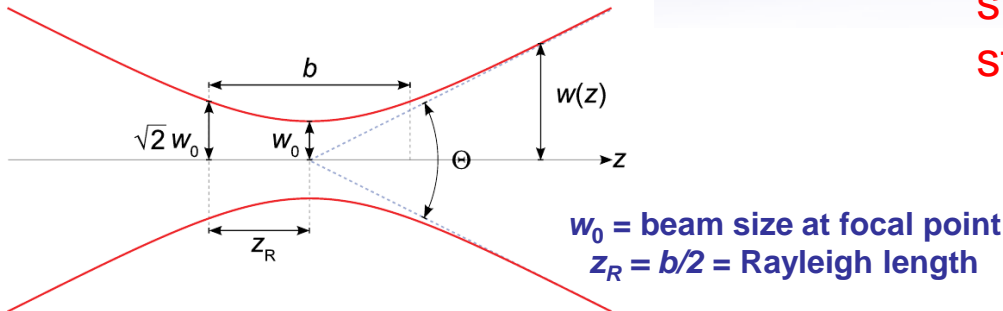


Collimation -> Quasi monochromatic spectrum

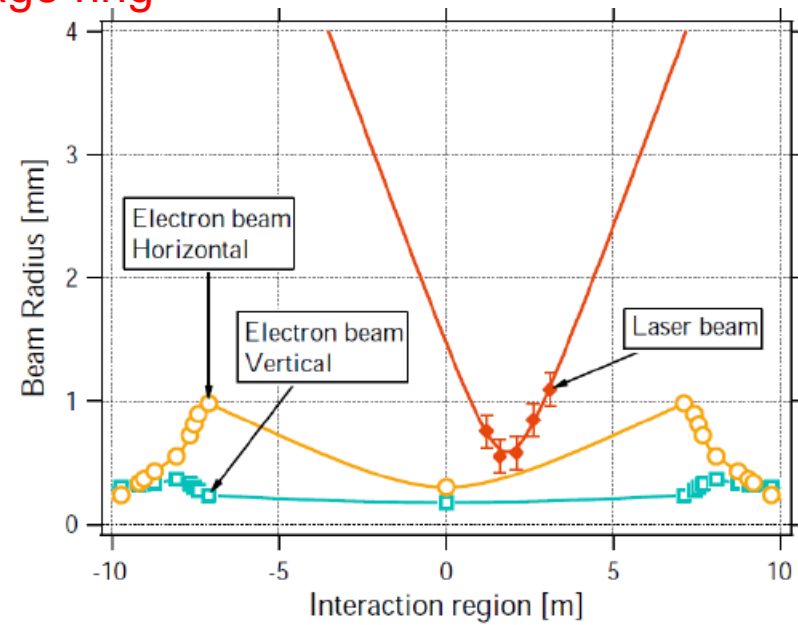
$$E_e = 500\text{MeV} \quad \lambda = 1064\text{ nm}$$

Unfortunately LCS gamma sources are produced by NOT-Ideal Electron & Laser beams

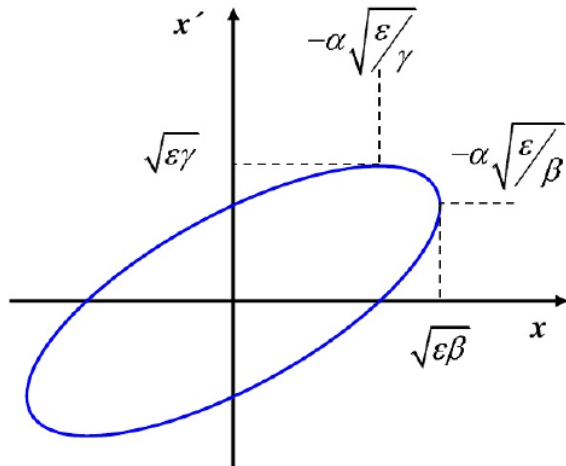
Laser modeling: hyperbolic dependence along the beam axis



Example of electron and laser beam shape in the interaction region along straight beamline in the NewSUBARU e⁻ storage ring



Drift space coordinates and Twiss parameters must be considered

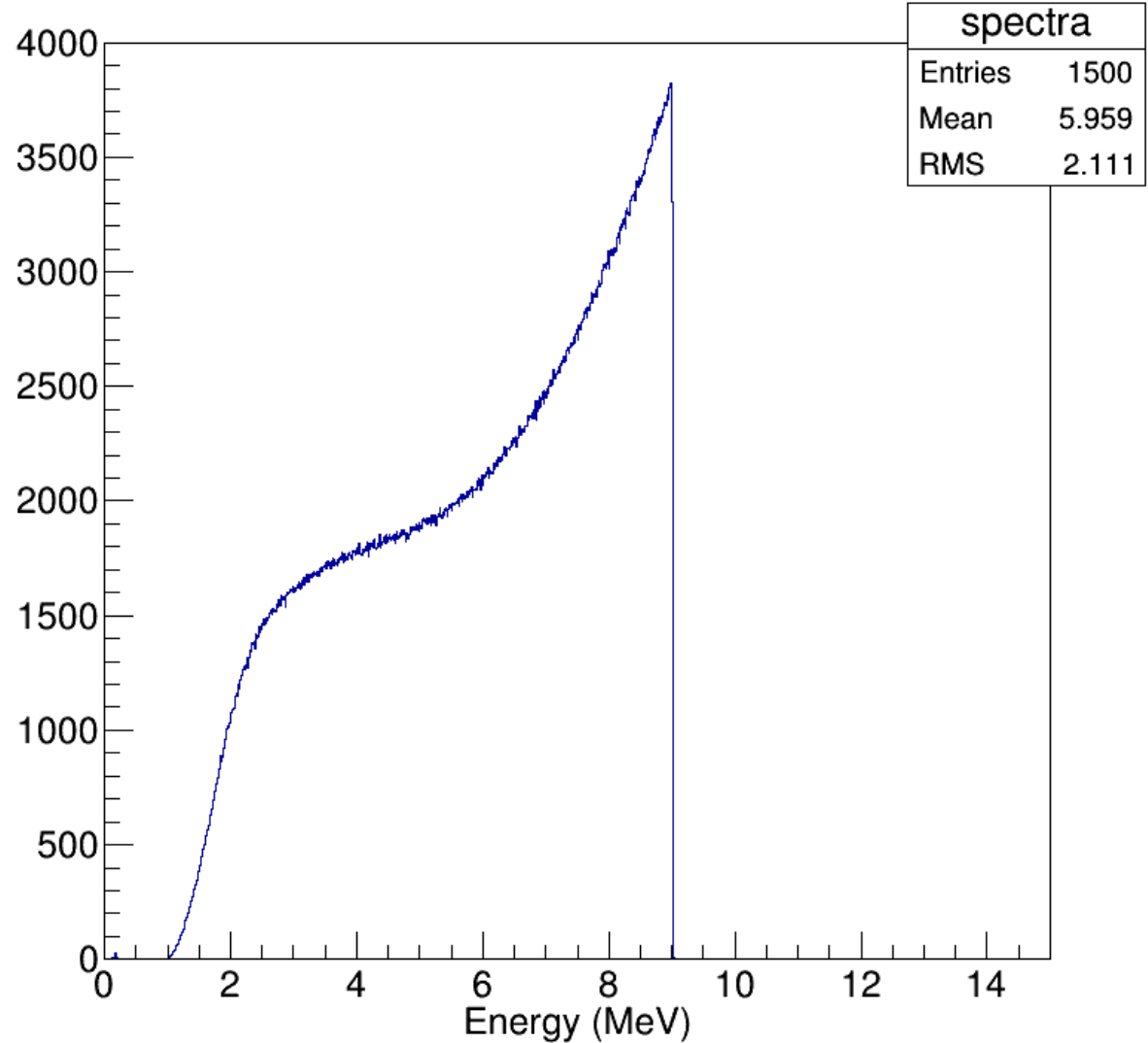


Electron beam emittance:

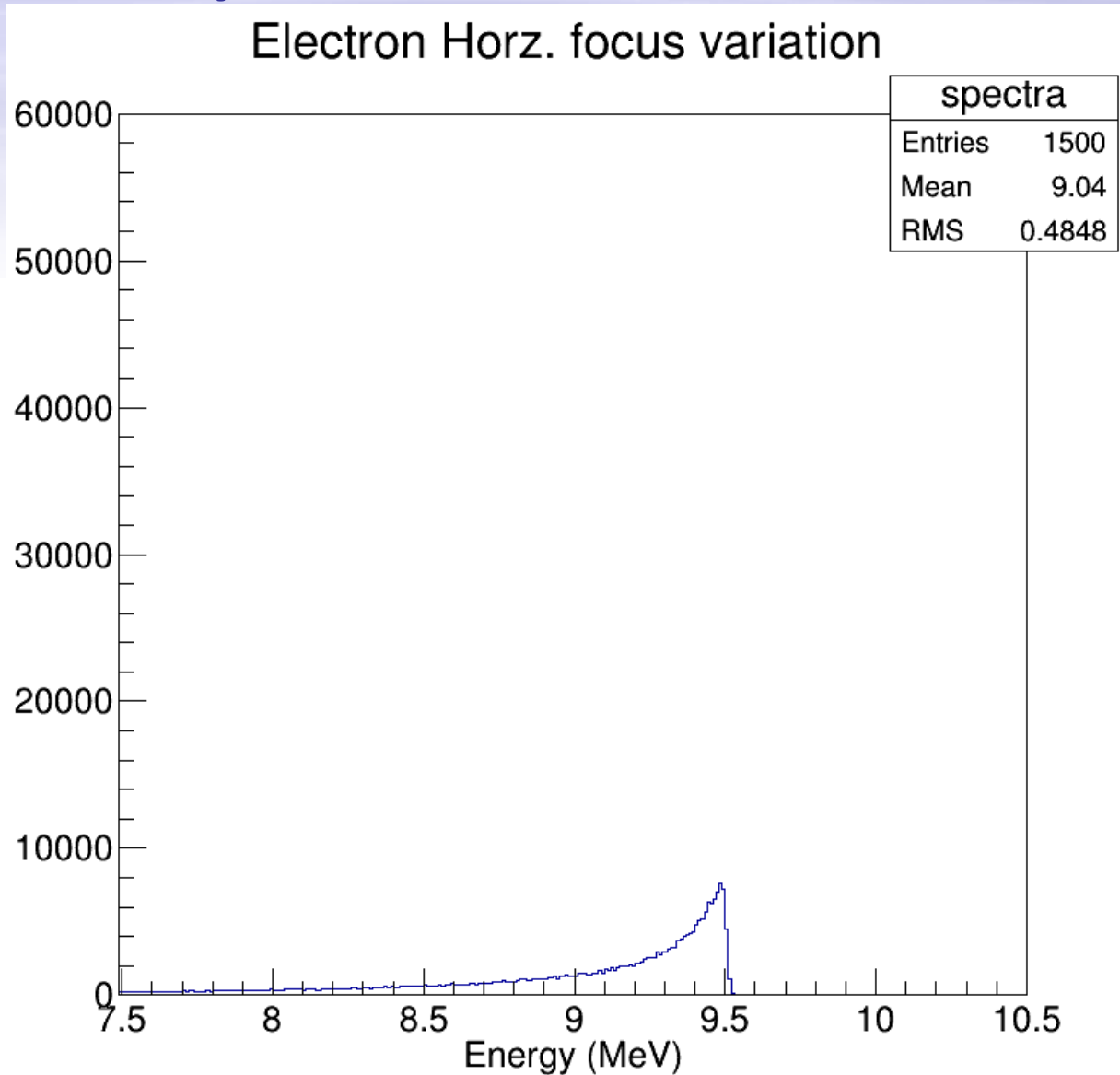
$$\varepsilon_x = \gamma_x(z) \cdot x^2(z) + 2\alpha_x(z) \cdot x(z)x'(z) + \beta_x(z) \cdot x'^2(z)$$

Real Electron & Laser beam parameters (non-head on collision)

Main collimator aperture variation



Real beam – dependence on the electron beam focus



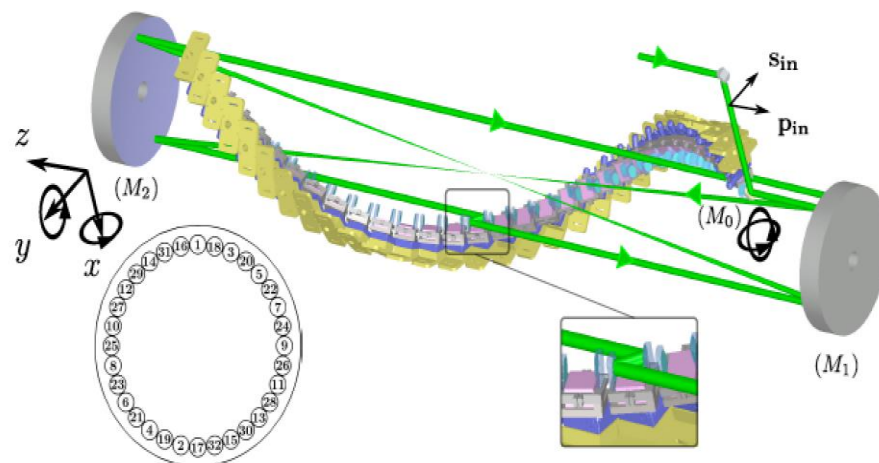
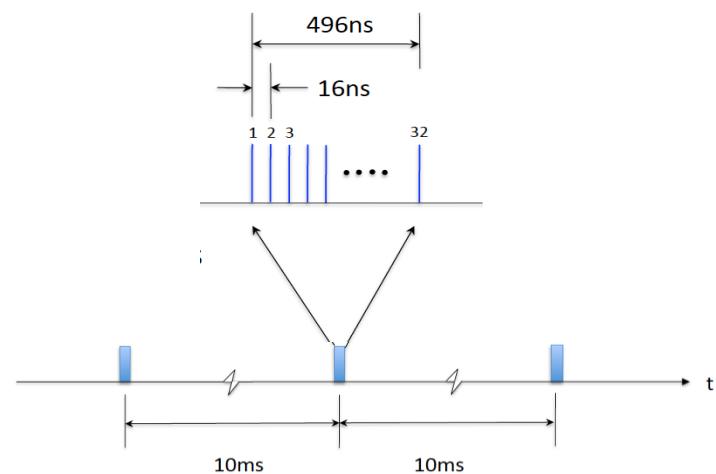
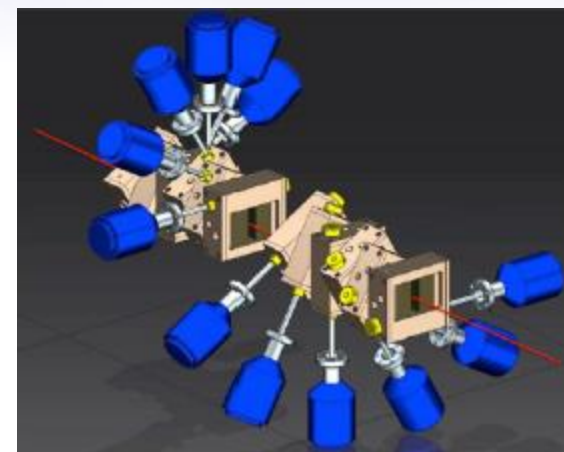
RF linac & pulsed laser source parameters

Electron beam parameter at IP	
Energy (MeV)	180-750
Bunch charge (pC)	25-400
Bunch length (μm)	100-400
$\epsilon_{n \rightarrow x,y}$ (mm-mrad)	0.2-0.6
Bunch Energy spread (%)	0.04-0.1
Focal spot size (μm)	15-30
# bunches in the train	> 31
Bunch separation (nsec)	16
energy variation along the train	0.1 %
Energy jitter shot-to-shot	0.1 %
Emittance dilution due to beam breakup	< 10%
Time arrival jitter (psec)	< 0.5
Pointing jitter (μm)	1

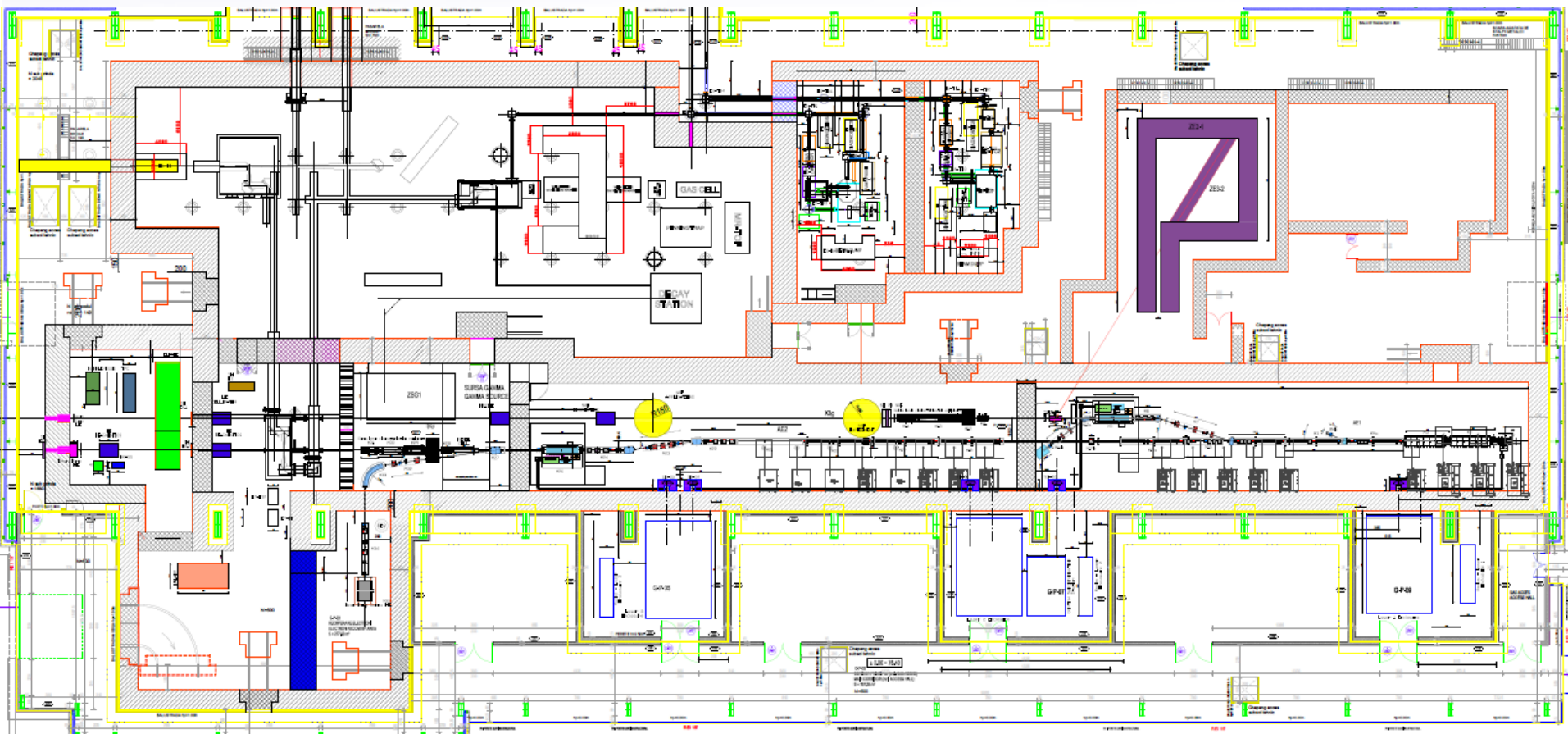
Yb:Yag Collision Laser	Low Energy Interaction	High Energy Interaction
Pulse energy (J)	0.2	0.5
Wavelength (eV)	2.4	2.4
FWHM pulse length (ps)	2-4	2-4
Repetition Rate (Hz)	100	100
M^2	≥ 1.2	≥ 1.2
Focal spot size w_0 (μm)	> 25	25
Bandwidth (rms)	0.05 %	0.05 %
Pointing Stability (μrad)	1	1
Synchronization to an ext. clock	< 1 psec	< 1 psec
Pulse energy stability	1 %	1 %

GBS – Gamma beam parameters

Photon energy	1-20 MeV
Spectral Density	$> 10^4$ ph/sec.eV
Bandwidth (rms)	$< 0.3\%$
# photons per shot within FWHM bdw.	$1.0-4.0 \cdot 10^5$
# photons/sec within FWHM bdw.	$2.0-8.0 \cdot 10^8$
Source rms size	10 - 30 μm
Source rms divergence	25-250 μrad
Peak Brilliance ($N_{ph}/\text{sec}\cdot\text{mm}^2\cdot\text{mrad}^2\cdot 0.1\%$)	$10^{22} - 10^{24}$
Radiation pulse length (rms, psec)	0.7-1.5
Linear Polarization	$> 99\%$
Macro rep. rate	100 Hz
# of pulses per macropulse	> 31
Pulse-to-pulse separation	16 nsec



ELI-NP Gamma Beam System layout



Nuclear Photonics

Electromagnetic dipole response of nuclei

Nuclear structure

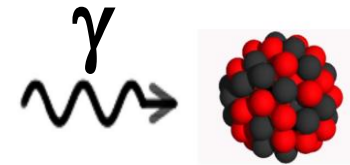
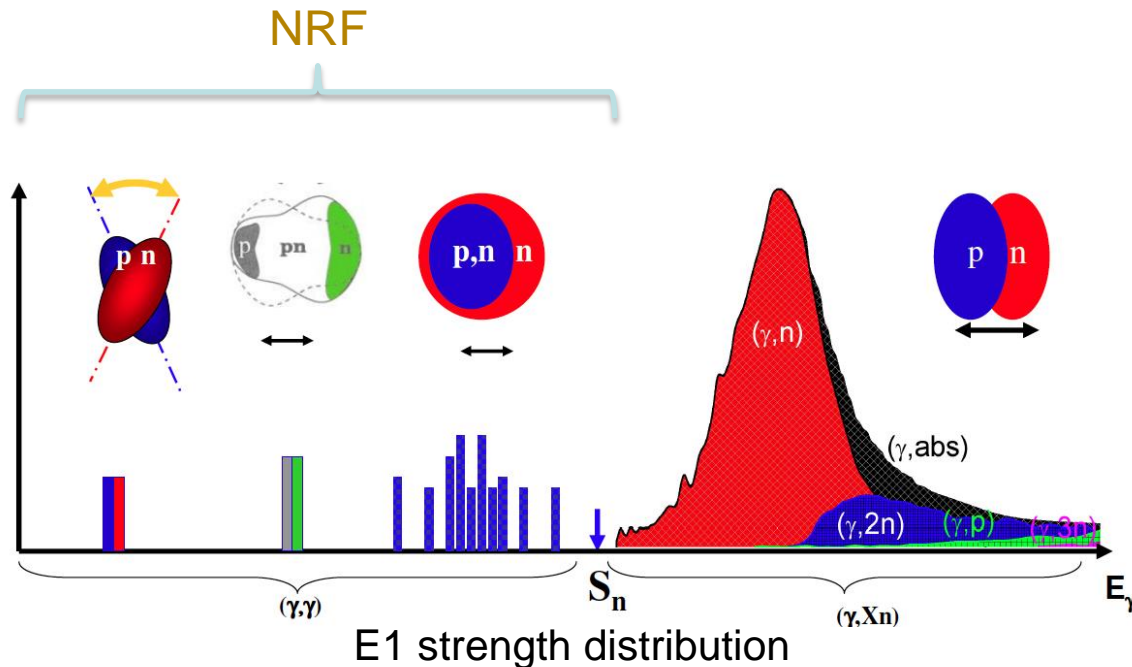
- Modes of excitation below the GDR

Impact on nucleosynthesis

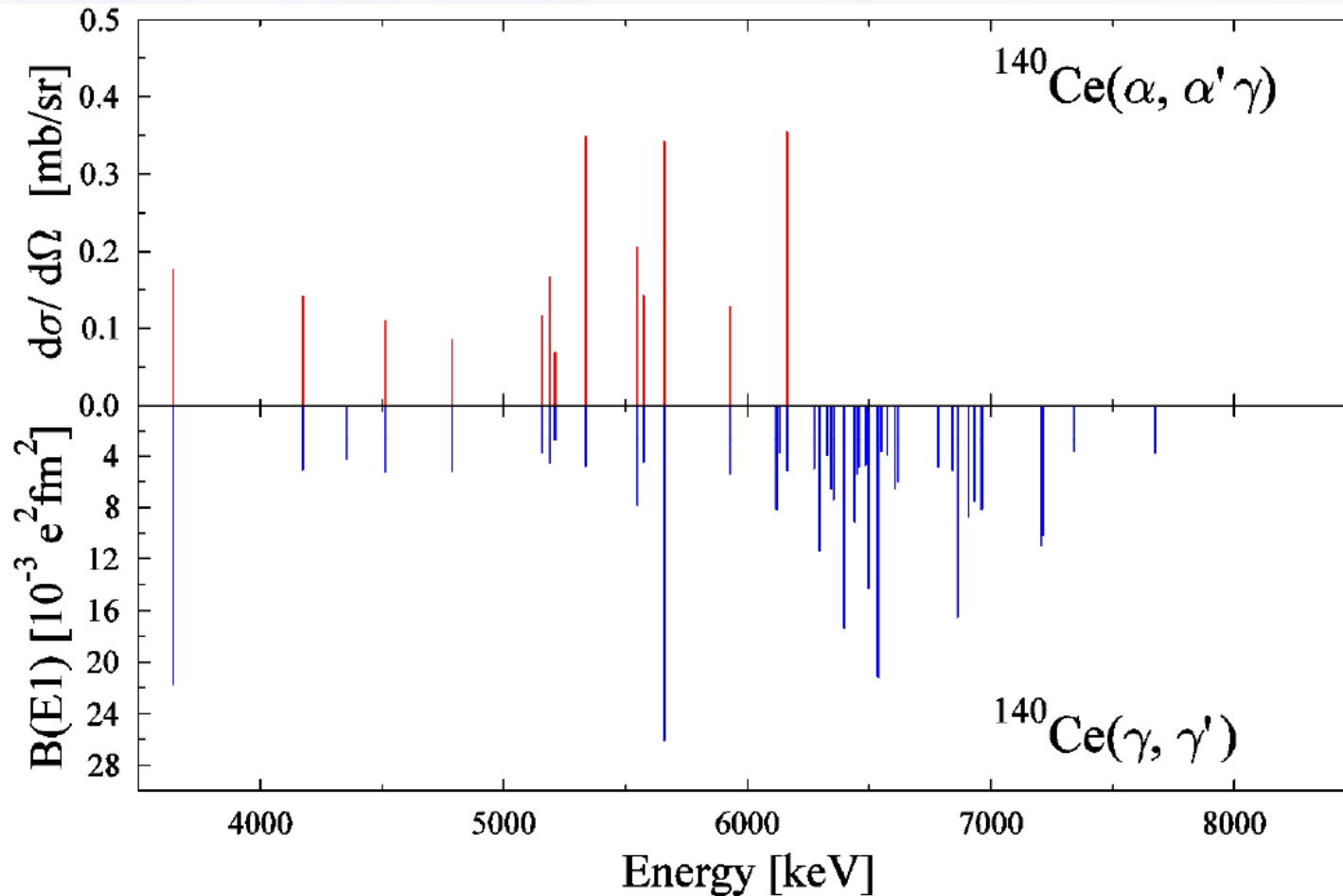
- Gamow window for photo-induced reactions in explosive stellar events

Understanding exotic nuclei

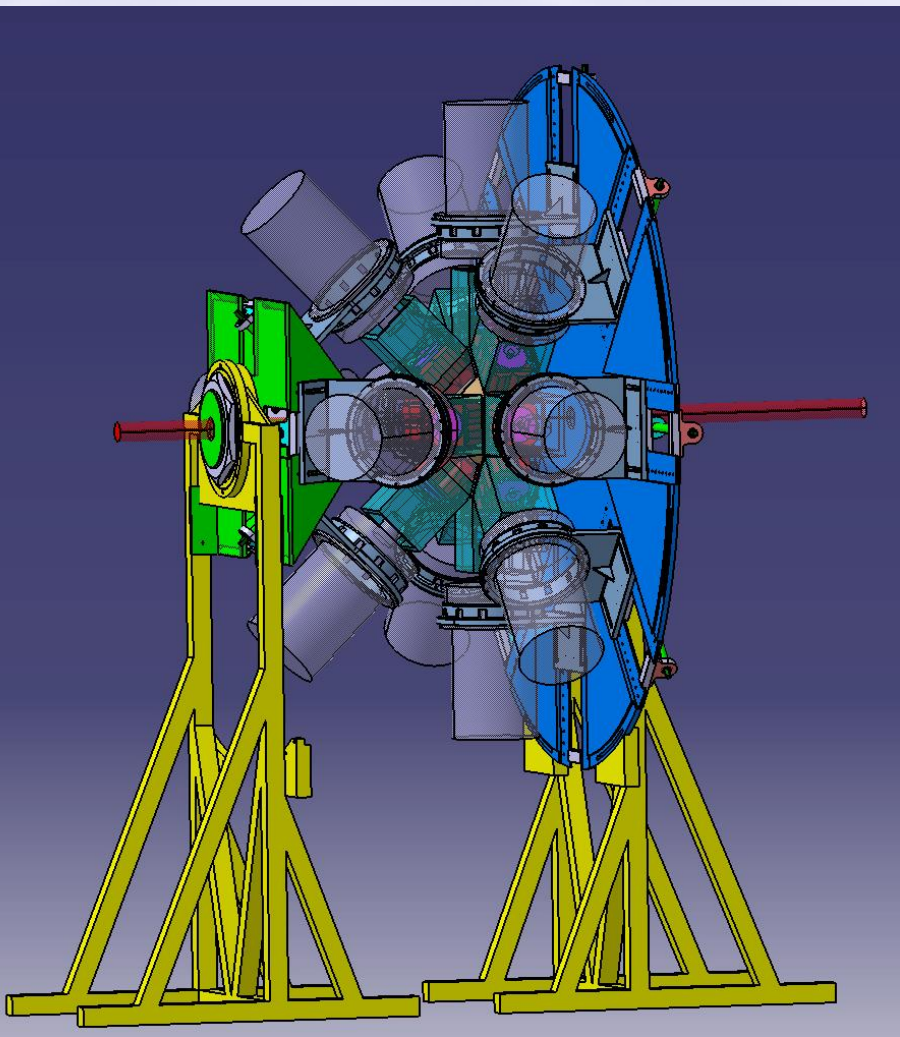
- E1 strength will be shifted to lower energies in neutron rich system



Splitting of the PDR



TDR on Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence (NRF)



ELIADE – ELI-NP Array of Detectors

8-12 Clover detector : 4 x crystals
60x90 cm (40% eff.) EXOGAM type
AC shield 2 configurations
4 3"x3" LaBr₃ det. @ 90 deg

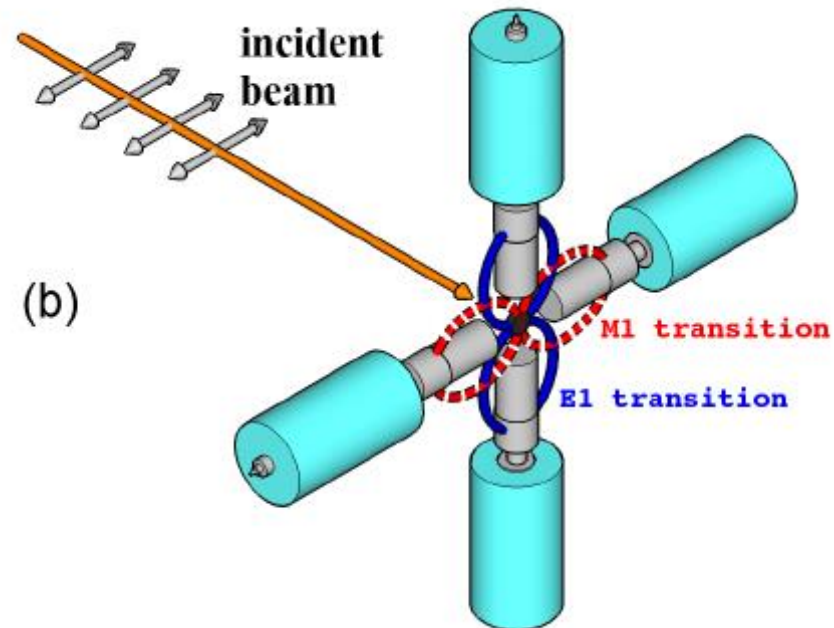
- Self-absorption measurements (Γ_0/Γ_i)
- Low-energy dipole response (e.g. Actinides)
- Dipole response and parity measurements for weakly-bound nuclei
- Investigation of the Pigmy Dipole Resonance
- Rotational 2⁺ states of the scissor mode
- Parity violation in nuclear excitation: ²⁰Ne
- Constraints on the 0 $\nu\beta\beta$ -decay matrix elements of the scissors mode decay channel: ¹⁵⁰Sm

Additional level density information

- Presently most of the LD parameterizations rely on:
 - low energy fully known level scheme;
 - average $\langle \Gamma_{n0} \rangle \langle D_0 \rangle$ of (n, γ) resonances at S_n

$$\rho(E, J, \pi) = \rho(E) \cdot \rho(J, \pi)$$

- Using high resolution, high intensity polarized γ -beam in conjunction with NRF -> produce additional information between the above mentioned energy limits
- Shed light on the region where low energy branch of $\rho(E)$ dominated by phenomenological forms is matched with high energy branch described usually by Fermi-gas models.



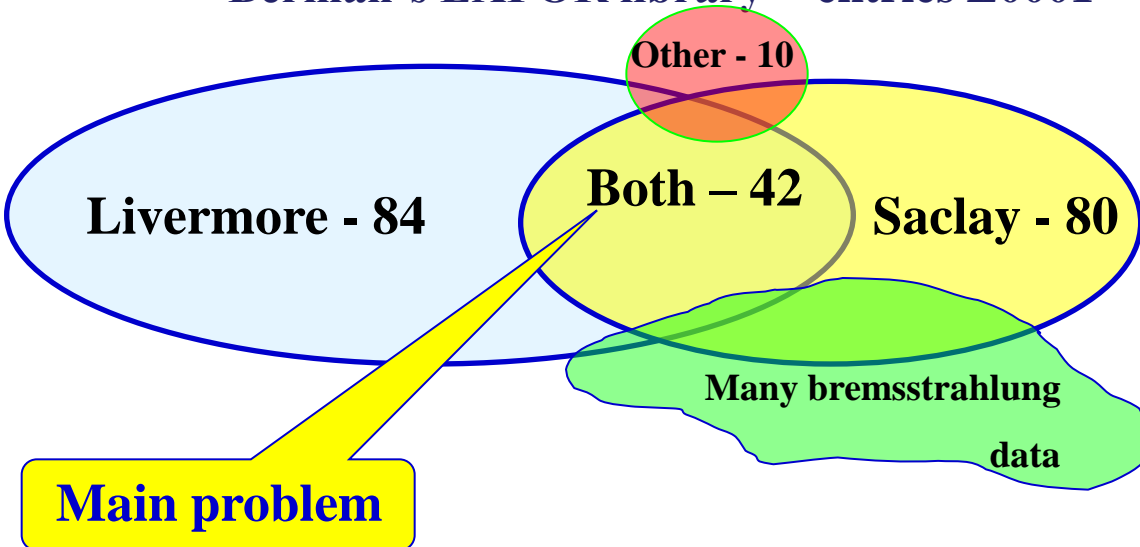
Photoneutron measurements

Systematics of experimental data:

many experimental data data for partial photonuclear reaction cross sections obtained in period 1962 - 1986 (the majority was obtained at Livermore (USA) and Saclay (France)), are published in

Atlas of Photoneutron cross sections obtained with monoenergetic photons (S.S.Dietrich, B.L.Berman. *Atom. Data and Nucl. Data Tables*, 38 (1988) 199)

Berman's EXFOR library - entries L0001 – L0059 (~ 174 nuclei sets)



For each nucleus – cross sections:

$(\gamma, 3n)$

$(\gamma, 2n)$

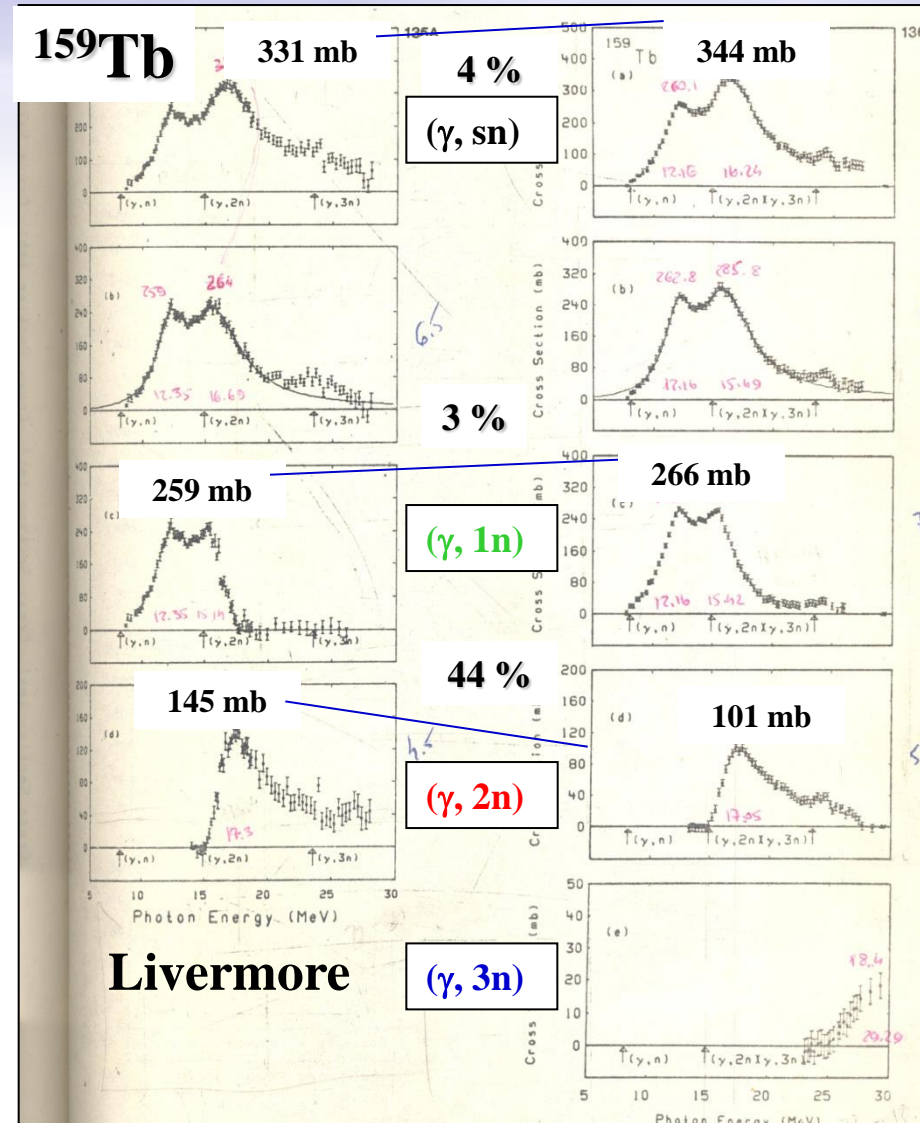
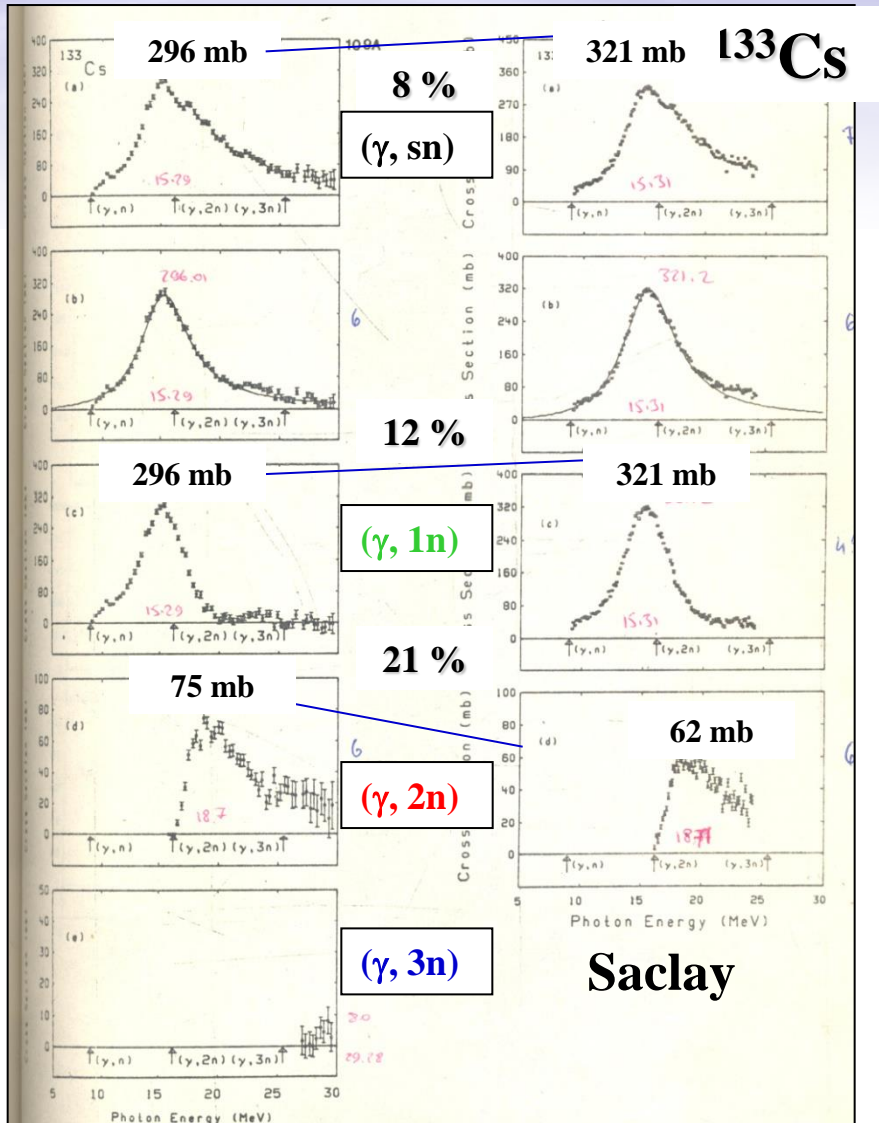
$(\gamma, 1n)$

$(\gamma, \text{tot}) = + (\gamma, 1n) + (\gamma, 2n) + (\gamma, 3n) + \dots$

$(\gamma, Sn) = + (\gamma, 1n) + 2(\gamma, 2n) + 3(\gamma, 3n) + \dots$

Typical disagreements of data from two Labs:

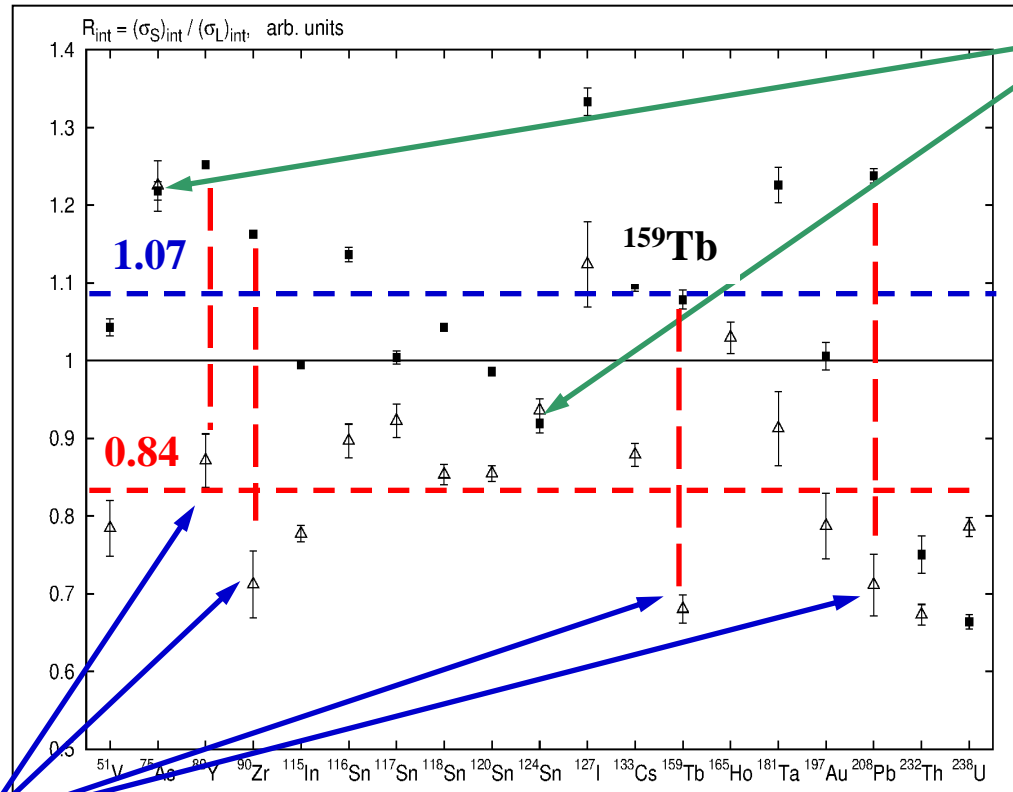
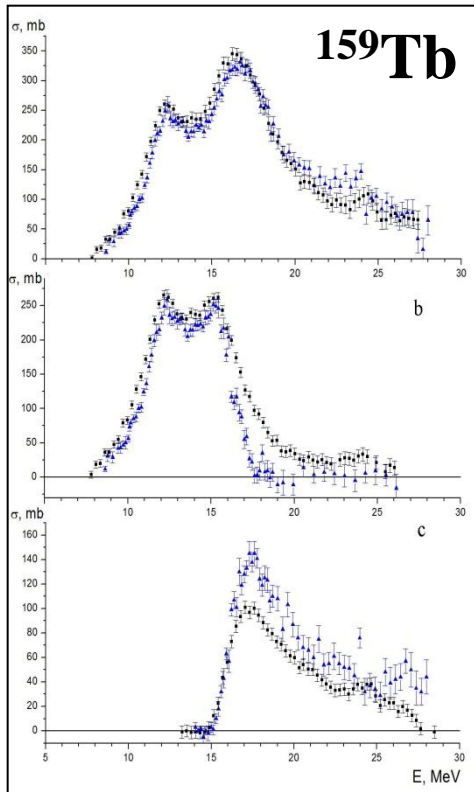
cross sections of 1 neutron reactions are noticeably larger in Saclay but of 2 neutron – vice versa at Livermore



Systematics of data for 20 nuclei investigated in both Labs: For several nuclei disagreements are small but for majority are large.

V.V.Varlamov, et al. INDC(CCP)-440, IAEA NDS, Vienna, Austria, 2004, p. 37.

Ratios of integrated cross sections "S/L"



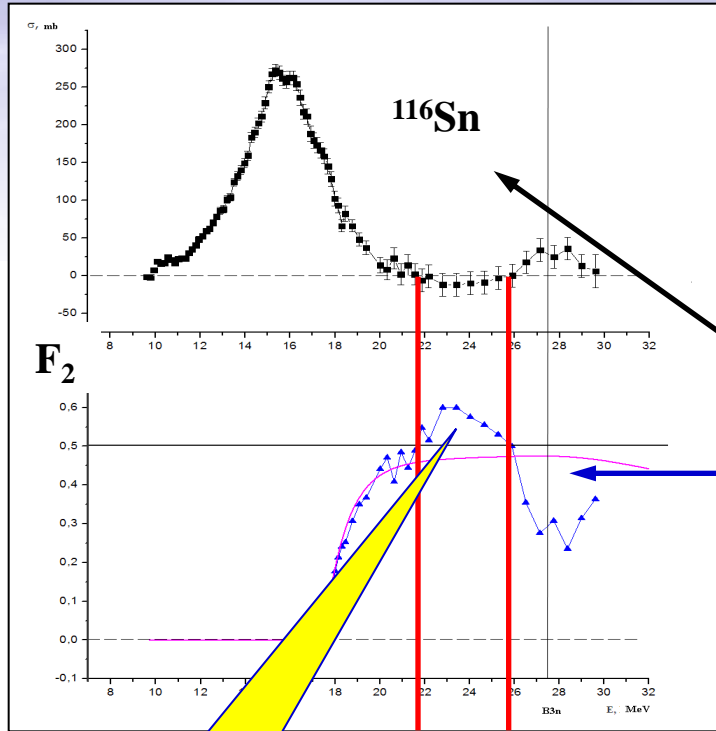
small

Squares - ■ -
ratios for $(\gamma, 1n)$
reactions – are
larger than 1.0:
 $\langle R \rangle \sim 1.2$.

Triangles - △ -
ratios for $(\gamma, 2n)$
reactions – are
smaller than 1.0:
 $\langle R \rangle \sim 0.8$.

very large

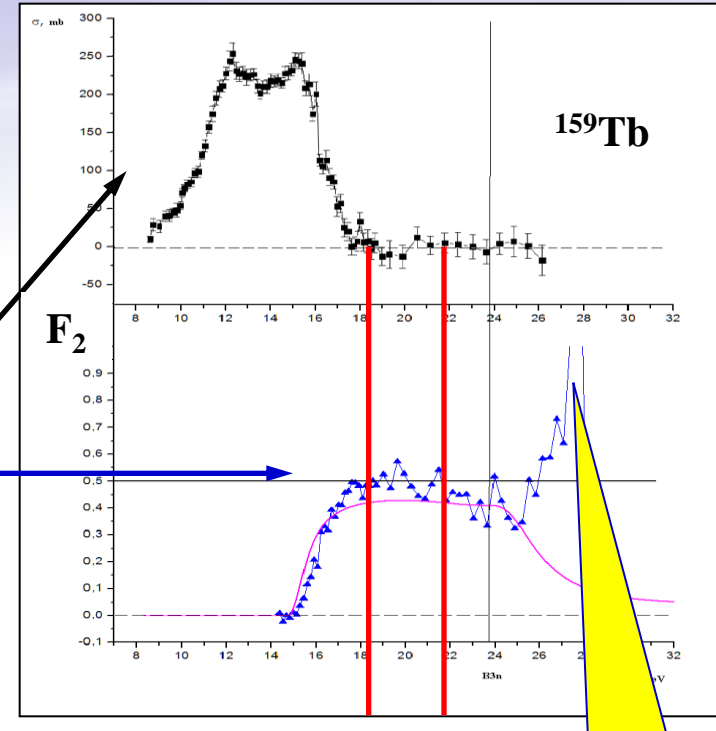
Behavior of F_2 for many nuclei is quite different and do not satisfy the criteria proposed



Livermore data

$\sigma(\gamma, 1n)$

F_2



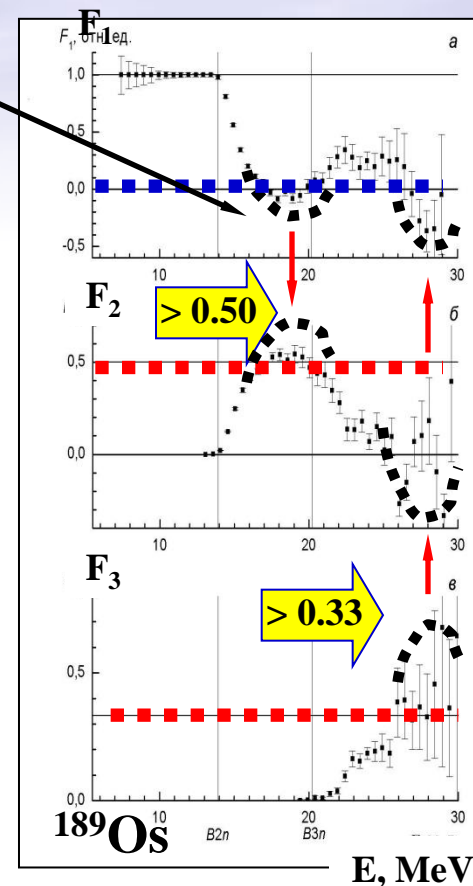
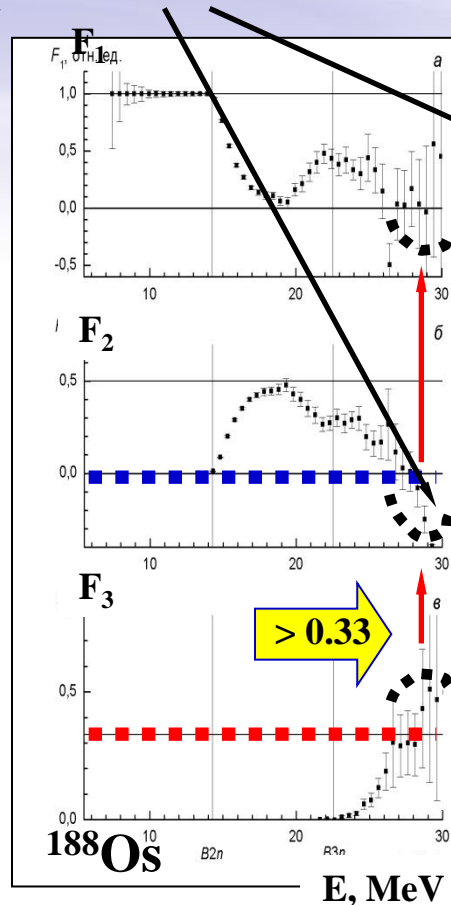
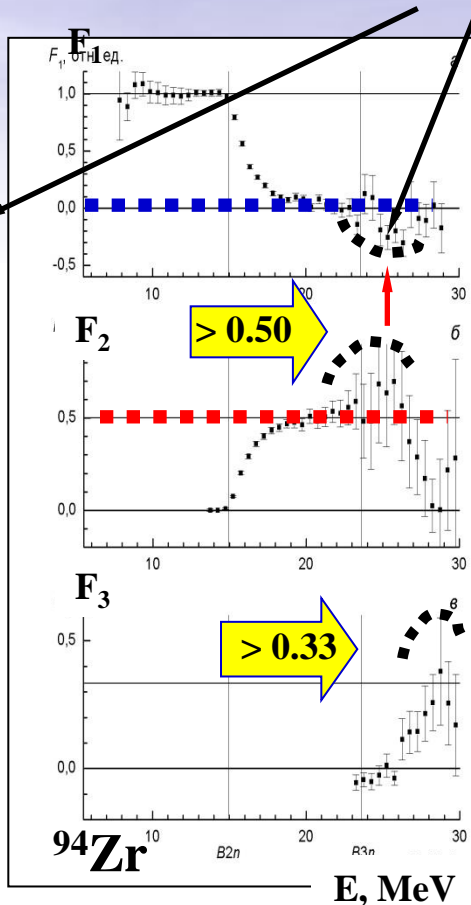
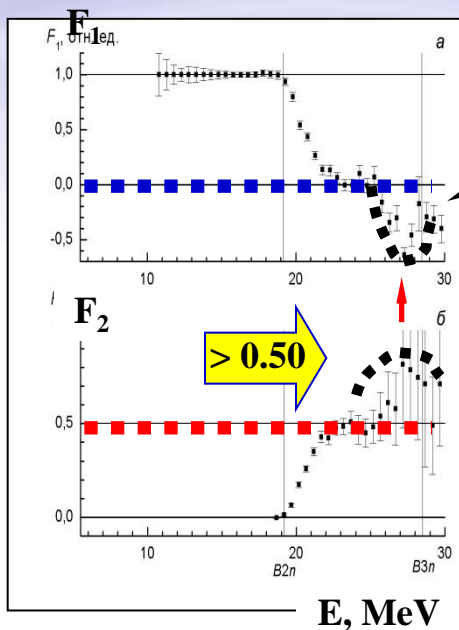
Significant disagreements:
 $F_2 > 0.6!$

$$F_2 = \frac{\sigma(\gamma, 2n)}{\sigma(\gamma, 1n) + 2\sigma(\gamma, 2n) + 3\sigma(\gamma, 3n) + \dots} < 0.50 (!)$$

Dramatic disagreements:
 $F_2 \approx 1.5 - 2.0!$

Physically not reliable negative cross section values are correlated with physically forbidden values $F_2 > 0.50$

Another examples: physically forbidden negative values

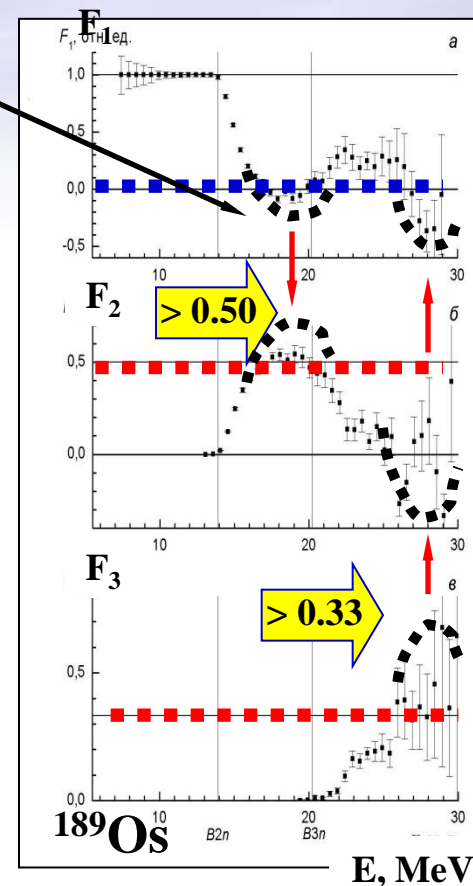
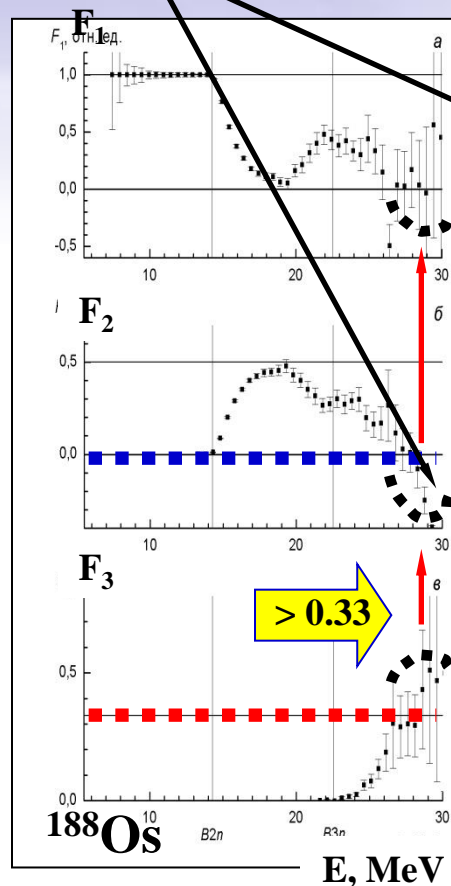
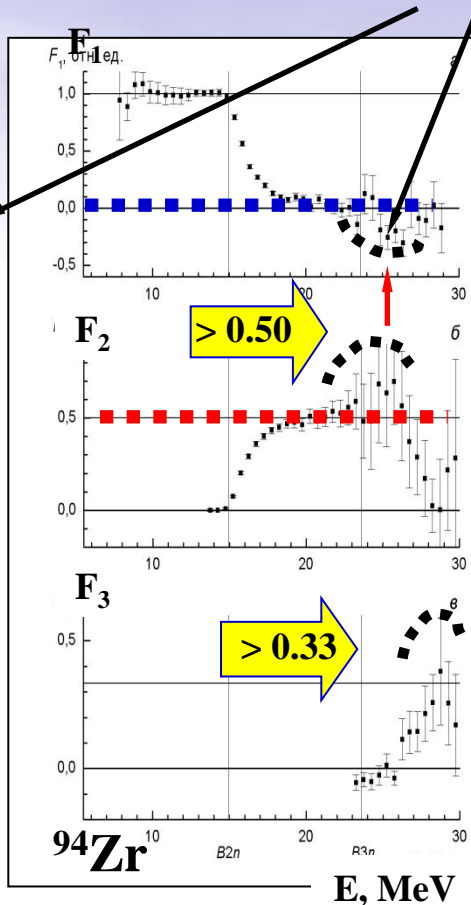
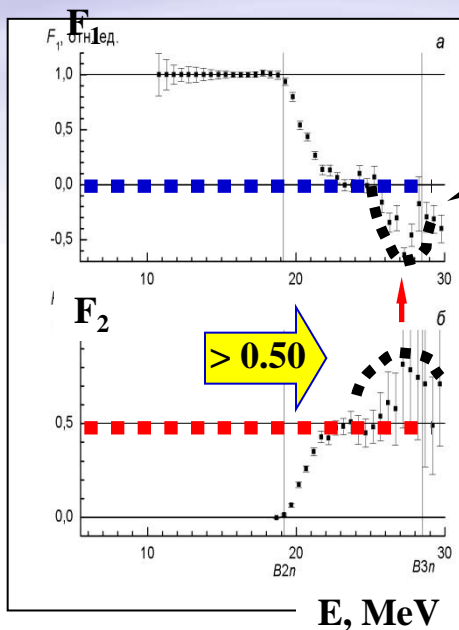


There are additional physically natural criteria:

$$F_1 = \sigma(\gamma, 1n) / \sigma(\gamma, xn) < 1.00$$

$$F_3 = \sigma(\gamma, 3n) / \sigma(\gamma, xn) < 0.33 \text{ etc.}$$

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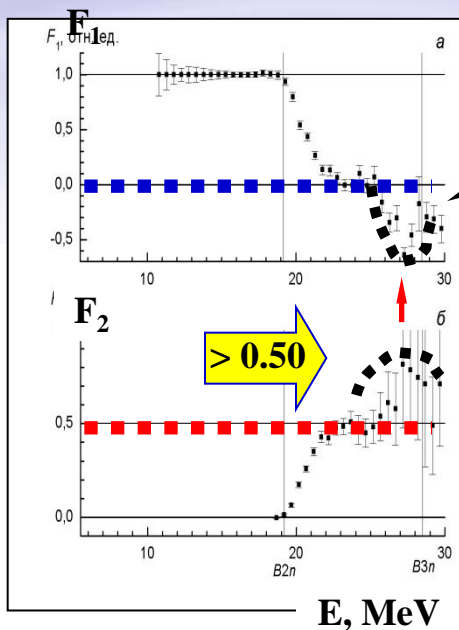
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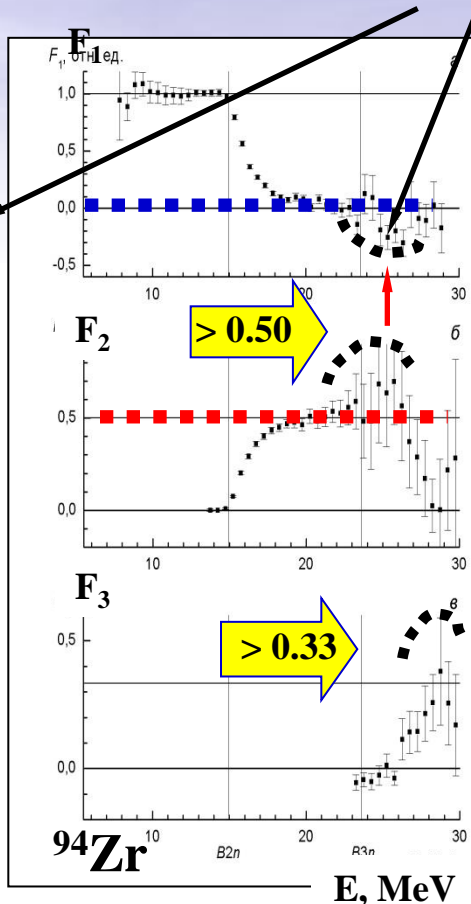
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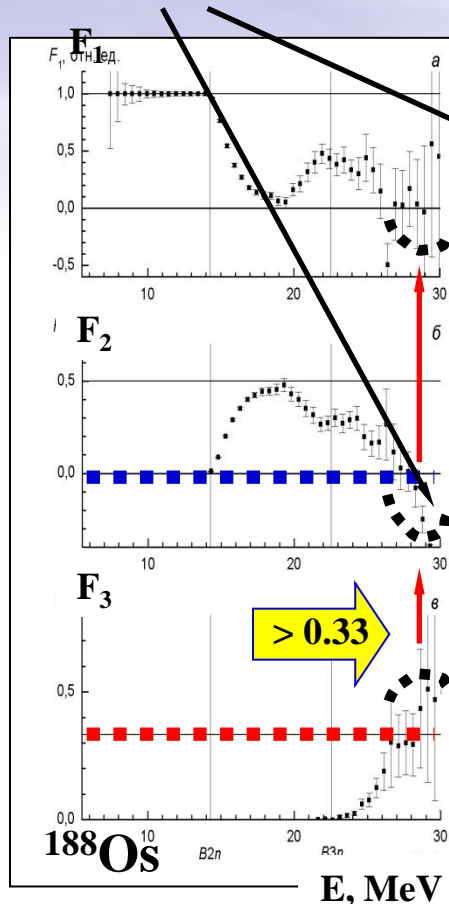
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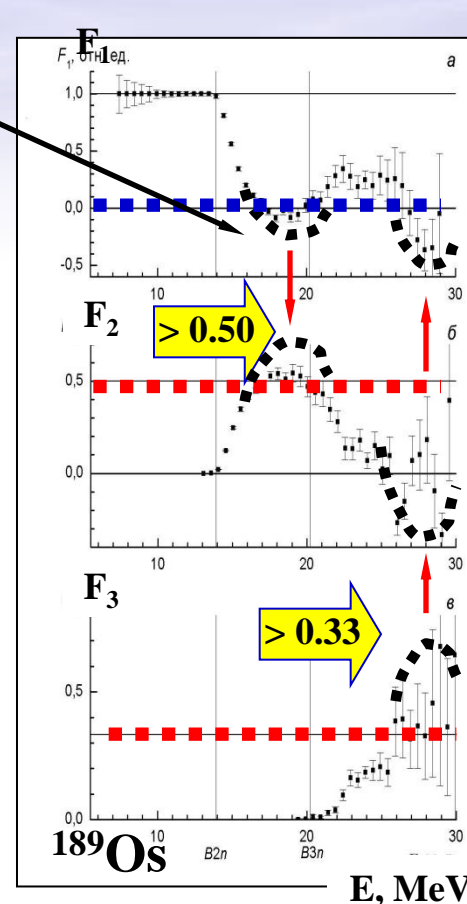
⁹¹Zr



⁹⁴Zr



¹⁸⁸Os



¹⁸⁹Os

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Many data should be reanalyzed and reevaluated!

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Proposals for future measurements using The ELI-NP monoenergetic γ -quanta source with energies up to ~ 19 MeV.

The new measurements for isotopes for which we found out the most prominent disagreements between experimental and evaluated reaction cross sections are of great interest on the first stage.

The 1-st priority:

^{159}Tb (B2n = 14.9 MeV),
 ^{181}Ta (B2n = 14.2 MeV),
 ^{208}Pb (B2n = 14.1 MeV).

The 2-nd priority:

^{94}Zr (B2n = 14.9 MeV),
 $^{186,188,189,190,192}\text{Os}$ (B2n = 14.9, 14.3, 13.9, 13.7, 13.3 MeV).

The 3-d priority

(measurements would
be possible for narrow
energy range ($\sim 2 - 3$ MeV))

^{115}In (B2n = 16.3 MeV),
 ^{116}Sn (B2n = 17.1 MeV).

The 4-th priority

new data will be evaluated further.

Because the correspondent final nuclei ($^{157,158}\text{Tb}$, ^{179}Ta , $^{206,207}\text{Pb}$, $^{92,93}\text{Zr}$, ^{184}Os , ^{113}In , $^{114,115}\text{Sn}$)

are not suitable candidates for activation measurements.

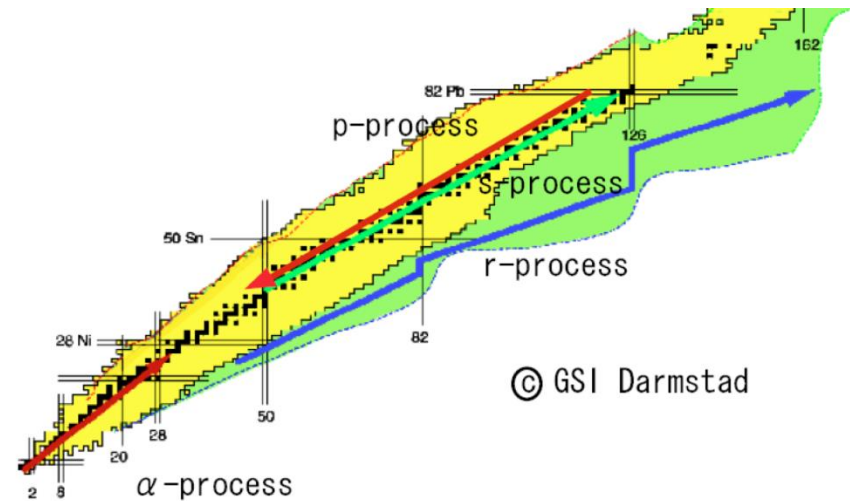
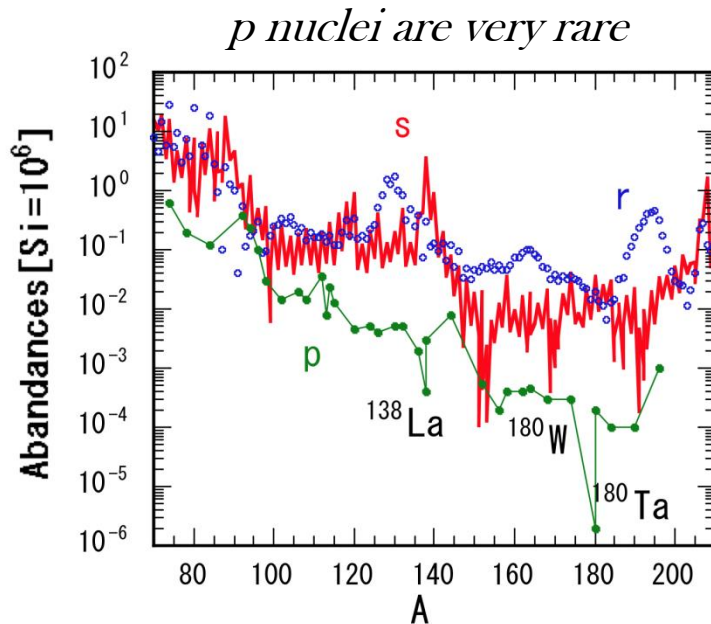
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Photoneutron measurements

Nuclear astrophysics - the prediction of radiative neutron capture cross sections for short-lived radioactive nuclei that are difficult to measure can be obtained using inverse photoneutron reaction data near threshold

Abundances of 35 neutron deficient p-nuclides from ^{74}Se to ^{196}Hg not produced in neutron capture chains of s- or r-types could be explained using photonuclear reactions data

Rare isotope measurements for the p-process nucleosynthesis



Rare isotopes to be studied ->

- Highest intensity and extremely monochromatic γ -ray beam
- 1 mg samples of rare isotopes
- Day 1 experiment

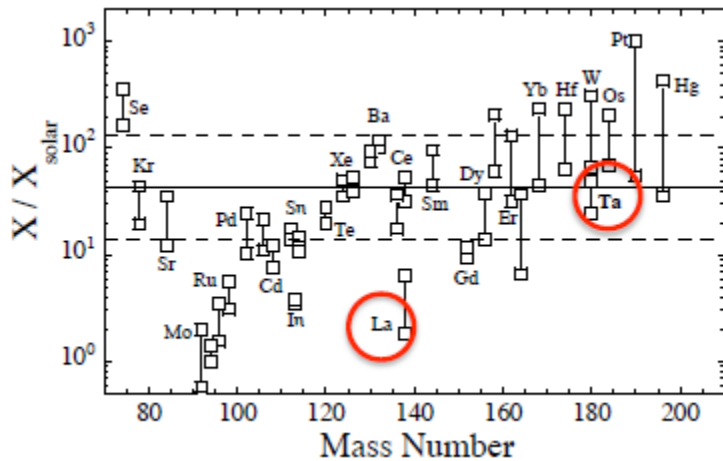
Production
 $^{181}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{180}\text{Ta}$
 $^{139}\text{La}(\gamma, n)^{138}\text{La}$
 measured!

vs

Destruction
 $^{180}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{179}\text{Ta}$
 $^{138}\text{La}(\gamma, n)^{137}\text{La}$
 Not so ever

**35 p-nuclei
 neutron-
 deficient
 isotopes**

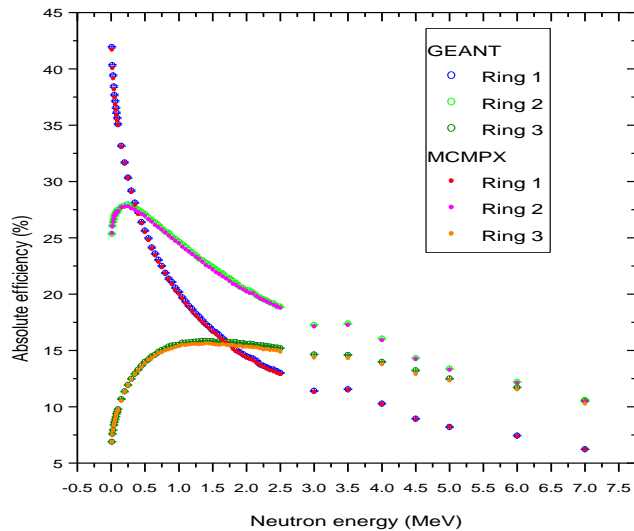
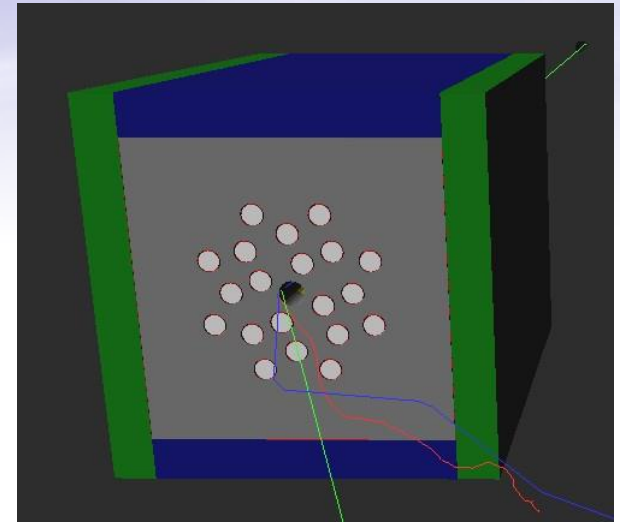
Nucleus	Natural abundance (%)	Abundance (10^6 Si) Anders&Grevesse
^{180}Ta	0.012	2.48E-06
^{190}Pt	0.014	0.00017
^{184}Os	0.02	0.000122
^{156}Dy	0.06	0.000221
^{120}Te	0.09	0.0043
^{124}Xe	0.09	0.00571
^{126}Xe	0.09	0.00509
^{138}La	0.09	0.000409
^{158}Dy	0.1	0.000378
^{132}Ba	0.101	0.00453
^{130}Ba	0.106	0.00476
^{180}W	0.12	0.000173
^{168}Yb	0.13	0.000322
^{162}Er	0.14	0.000351
^{196}Hg	0.15	0.00048
^{174}Hf	0.16	0.000249
^{136}Ce	0.185	0.00216
^{152}Gd	0.2	0.00066
^{138}Ce	0.251	0.00284
^{115}Sn	0.34	0.0129
^{78}Kr	0.35	0.153
^{84}Sr	0.56	0.132
^{114}Sn	0.66	0.0252
^{74}Se	0.89	0.55
^{108}Cd	0.89	0.0143
^{112}Sn	0.97	0.0372
^{102}Pd	1.02	0.0142
^{106}Cd	1.25	0.0201
^{164}Er	1.61	0.00404
^{98}Ru	1.87	0.035
^{144}Sm	3.07	0.0008
^{113}In	4.29	0.0079
^{96}Ru	5.54	0.103
^{94}Mo	9.25	0.236
^{92}Mo	14.84	0.378



H. Utsunomiya et al.,
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TDR on physics above the neutron threshold

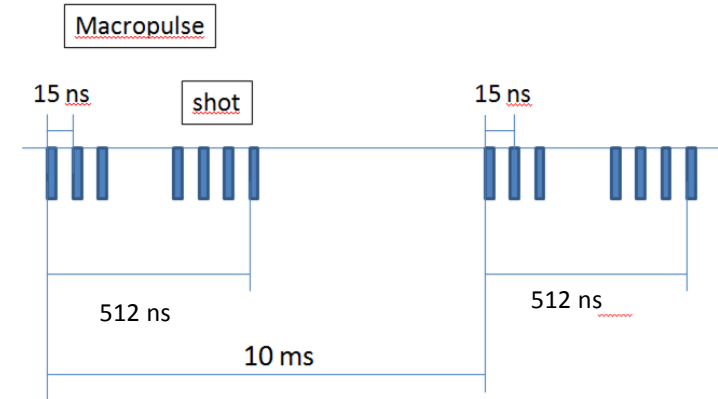
- 4π high efficiency neutron detector
- 20 ^3He proportional counters arranged in 3 concentric rings, embedded in a parallelepiped polyethylene moderator ($36\times 36\times 50$ cm) covered with polyethylene plates with cadmium sheets towards interior;
- Efficiency of neutron detector obtained with ring-ratio technique



ELI-NP expected time structure of the gamma-ray beam

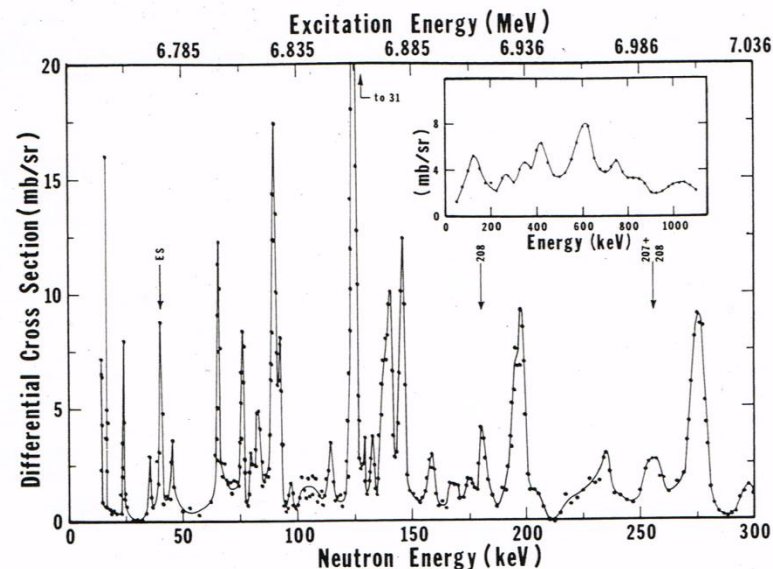
100Hz macropulses, 32 micropulses/macropulse macropulse width 512ns
(32 x 16ns)

$8 \cdot 10^8$ ph/sec,
 $8 \cdot 10^6$ ph/macropulse,
 $2.5 \cdot 10^5$ ph/micropulse



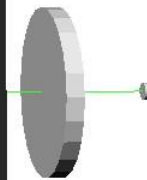
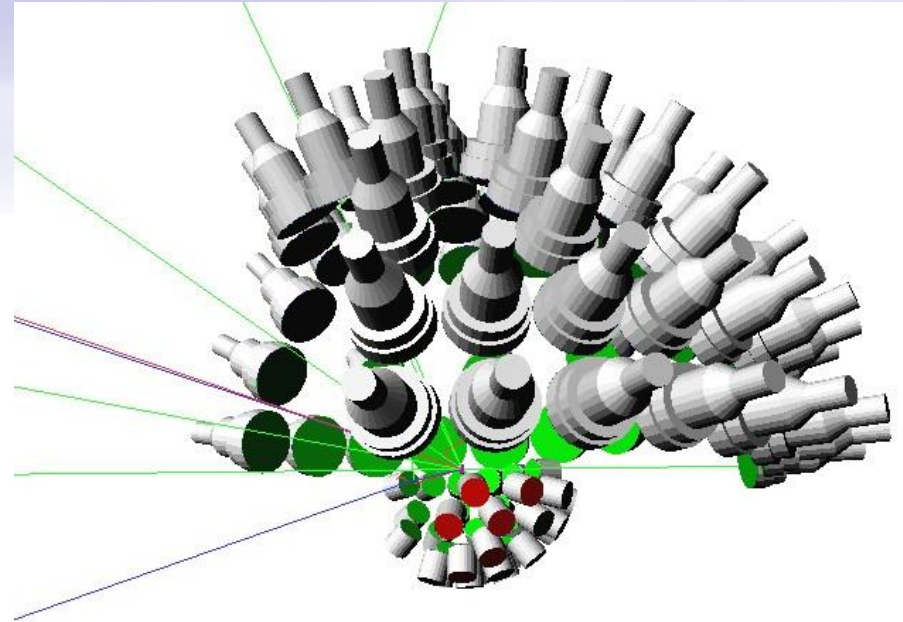
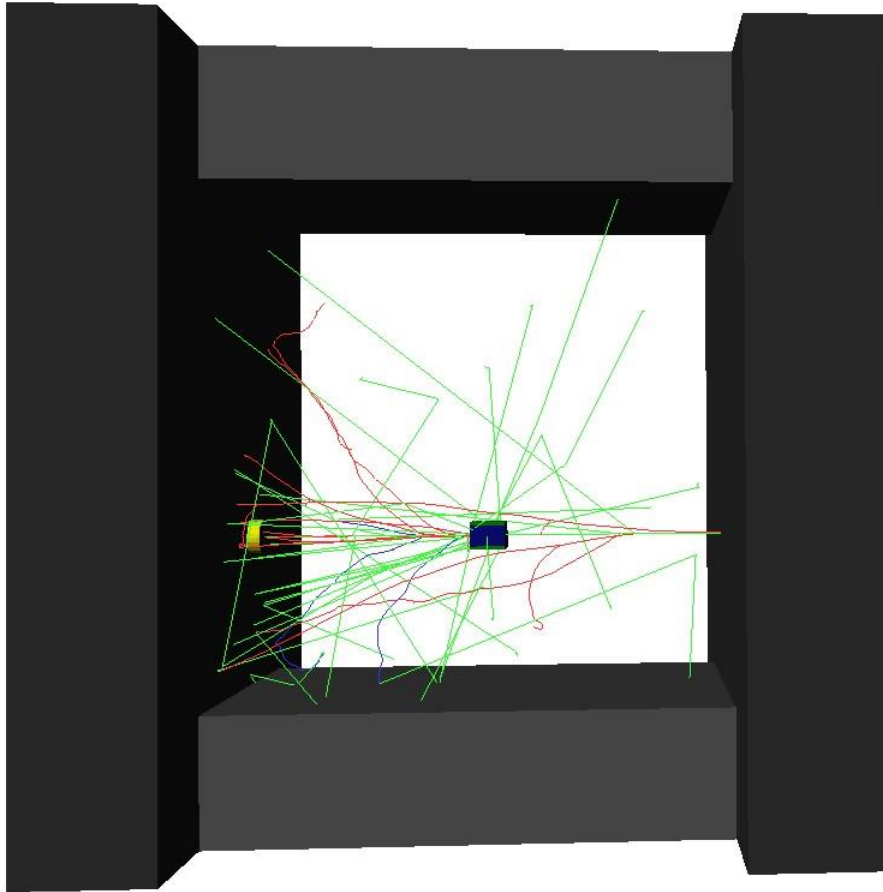
PDR and spin-flip M1 resonance above S_n

- Both PDR and spin-flip M1 resonance emerge near S_n
- Below S_n NRF experiments with 100% linear polarized γ -ray beams can separate E1 and M1 resonances in peak structure
- Recently, inelastic proton scattering at intermediate energies has revealed PDR and M1 resonance in ^{208}Pb and ^{90}Zr but the identification of E1 and M1 components by (p,p') reactions is indirect because PDR and M1 components are deduced by means of the multipole-decomposition analysis of the proton angular distribution
- This technique is limited to a narrow excitation energy range below the neutron threshold energy plus the first excited state in the residual nucleus
- We propose to investigate PDR and spin-flip M1 resonance with a mixed array consisting from LaBr3 + liquid scintillation neutron detector array



TDR on physics above the neutron threshold

Currently simulations are carried on in order to foresee the effect of pile-up and to test the ring ratio technique

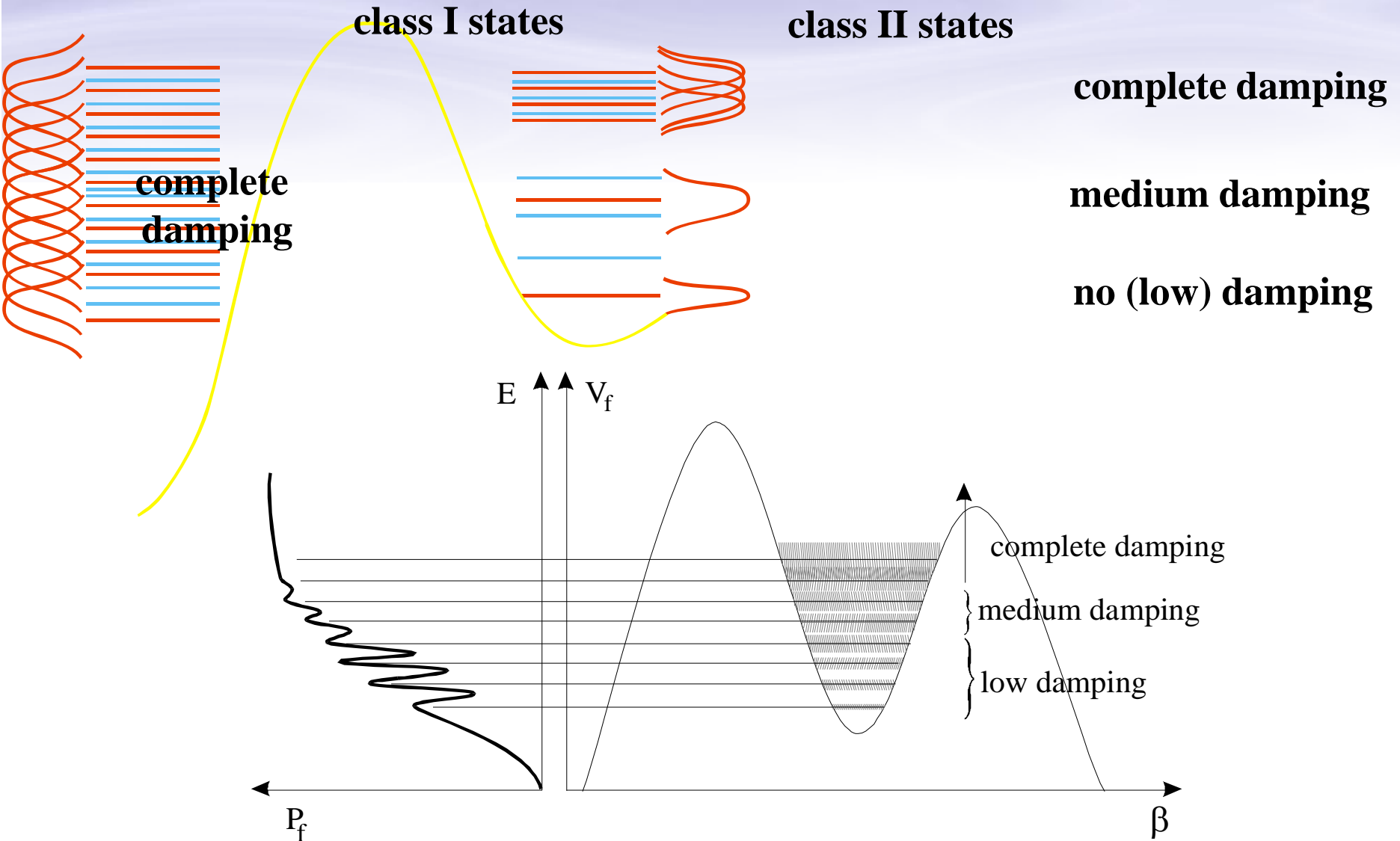


62 n det. (20cm x 5cm) +
34 (x2) LaBr₃ det. (3 x 3 inch)

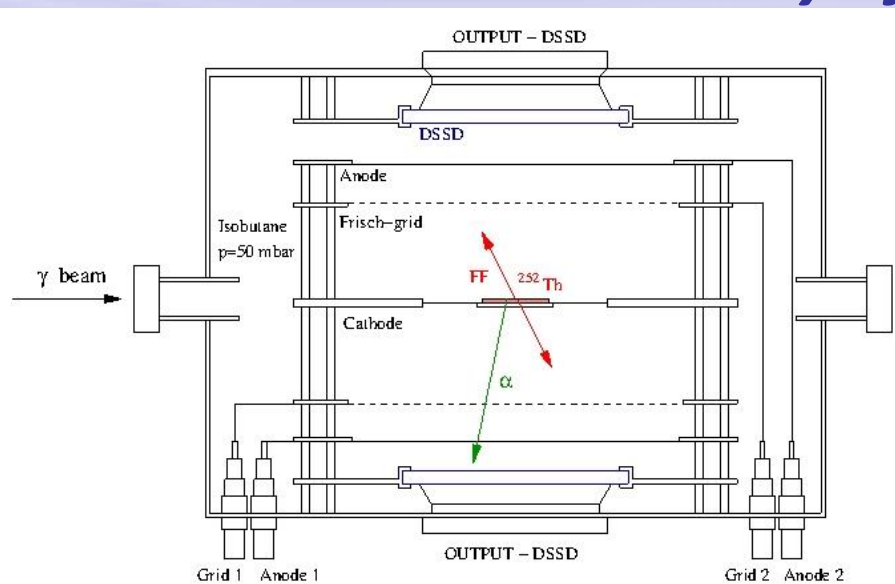
Instrumentation:

- (i) LaBr₃(Ce) array,
- (ii) Fast-neutron detector array
- (iii) NE213 liquid scintillator array

The study of fission process using gamma beams



TDR on the study of photofission process

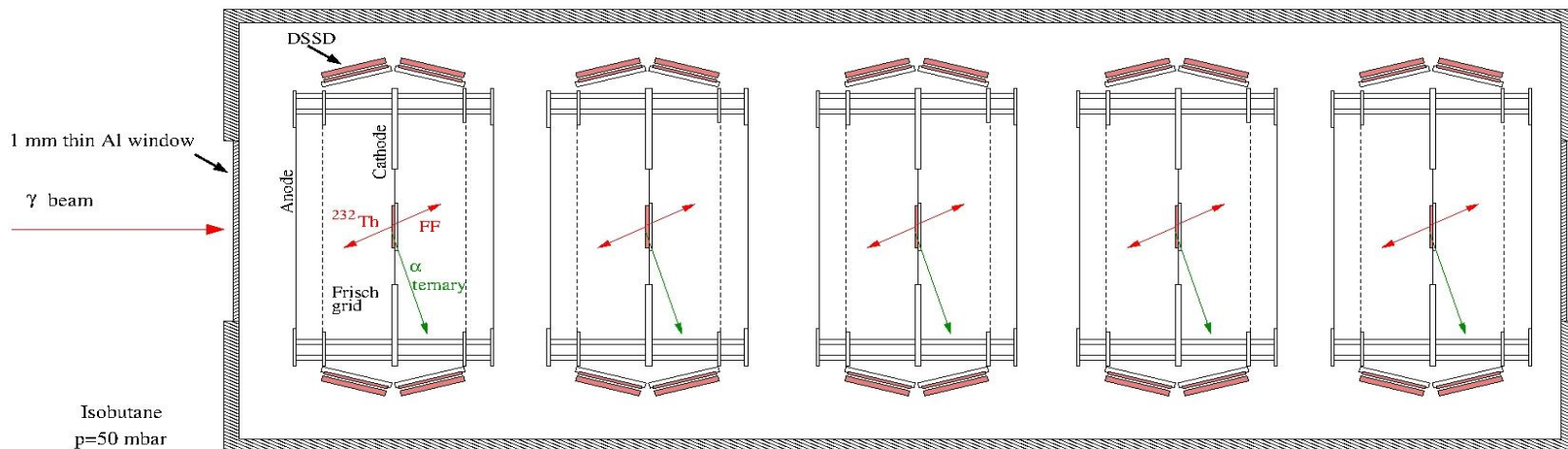


+ multi-pin feedthrough for DSSSD's

**ATOMKI, Debrecen
Double-Bragg TPC**

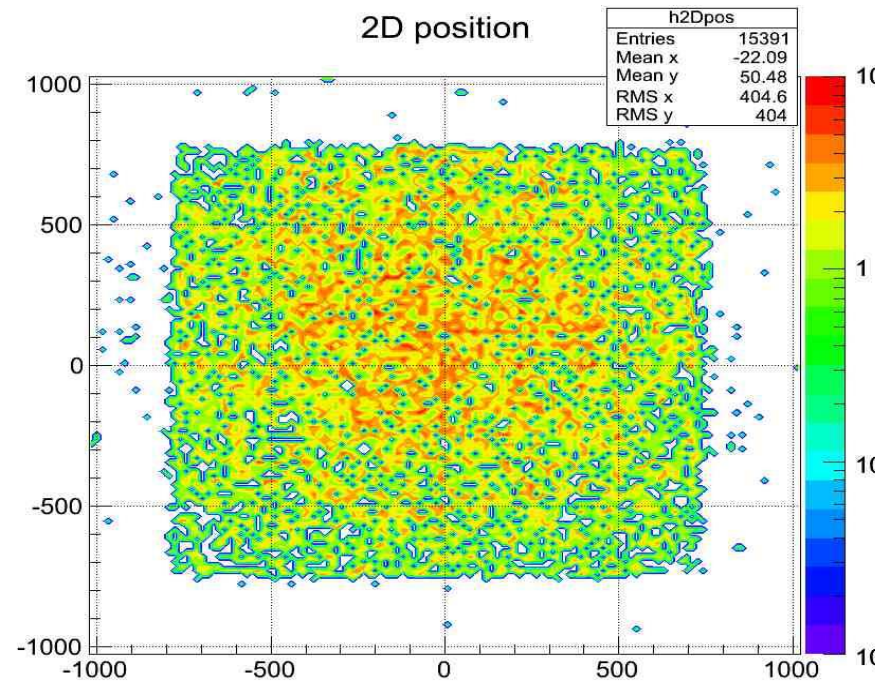
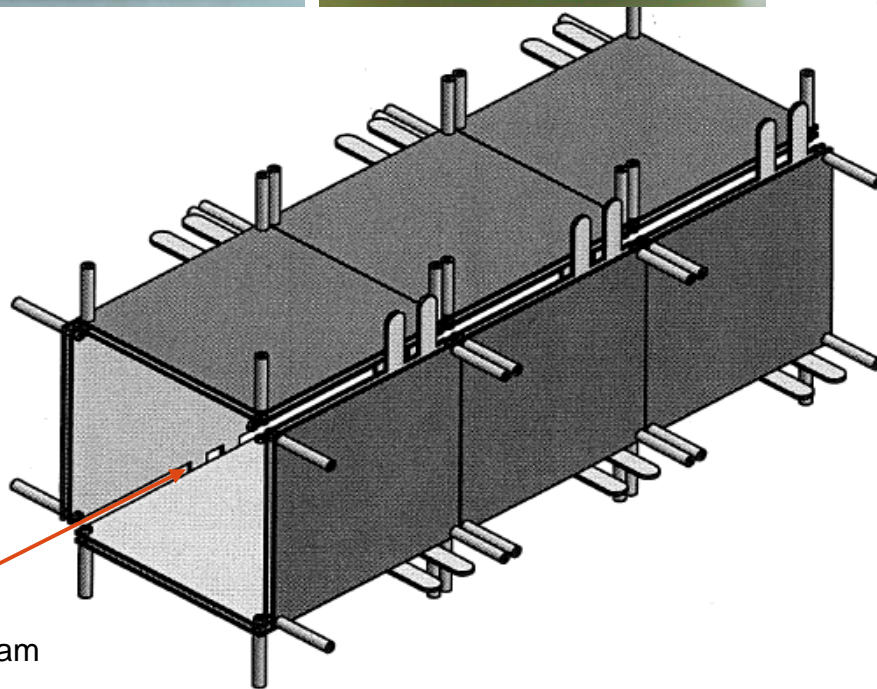
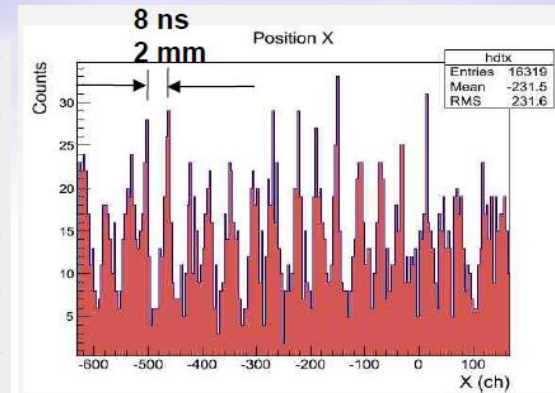
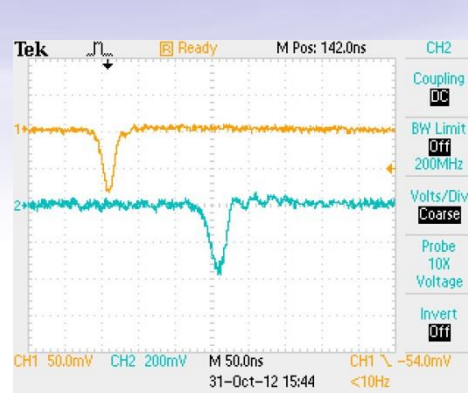
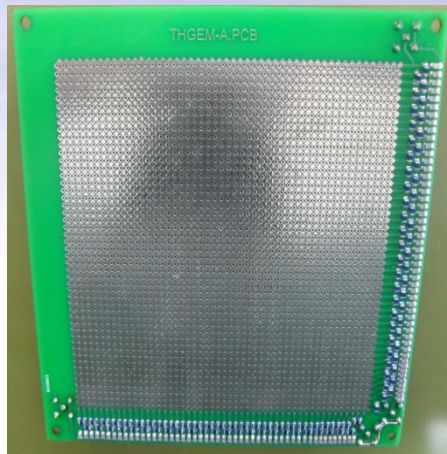
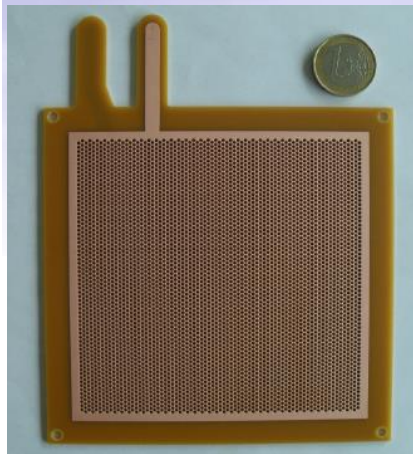


stainless steel gas chamber



100 cm for 5 chambers

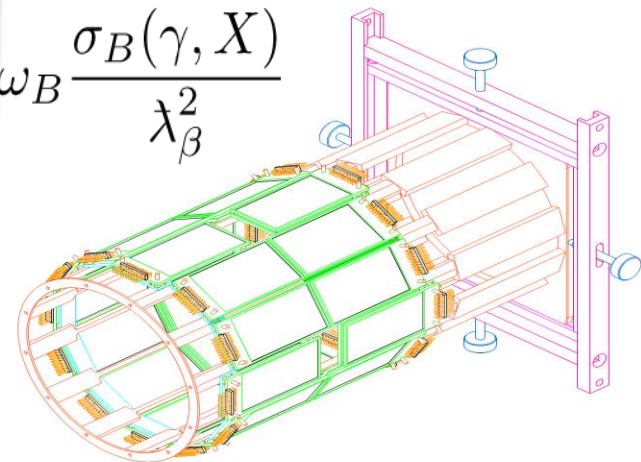
TDR on the study of photofission process



TDR on charged-particle physics

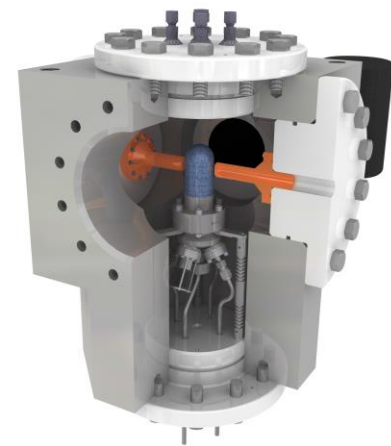
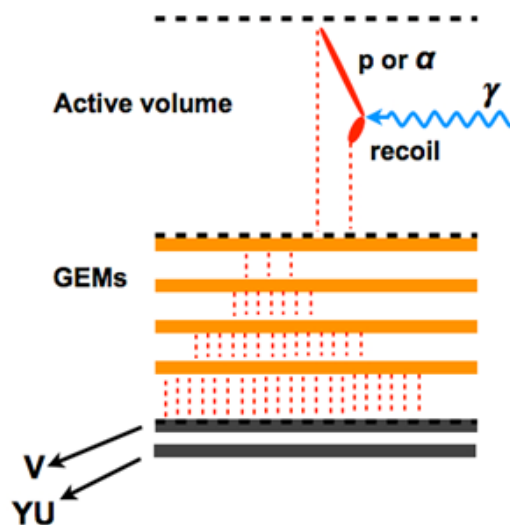
- Molecular states and symmetries in light nuclei
- The $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma, \alpha)^{12}\text{C}$ reaction
- The $^{24}\text{Mg}(\gamma, \alpha)^{20}\text{Ne}$ reaction
- The $^{22}\text{Ne}(\gamma, \alpha)^{18}\text{O}$ reaction
- The $^{19}\text{F}(\gamma, p)^{16}\text{O}$ reaction
- The $^{21}\text{Ne}(\gamma, \alpha)^{17}\text{O}$ reaction

$$\omega_A \frac{\sigma_A(X, \gamma)}{\lambda_\alpha^2} = \omega_B \frac{\sigma_B(\gamma, X)}{\lambda_\beta^2}$$



Instrumentation:

- (i) Large-area Si DSSD array,
- (ii) eTPC
- (iii) Bubble-chamber detector

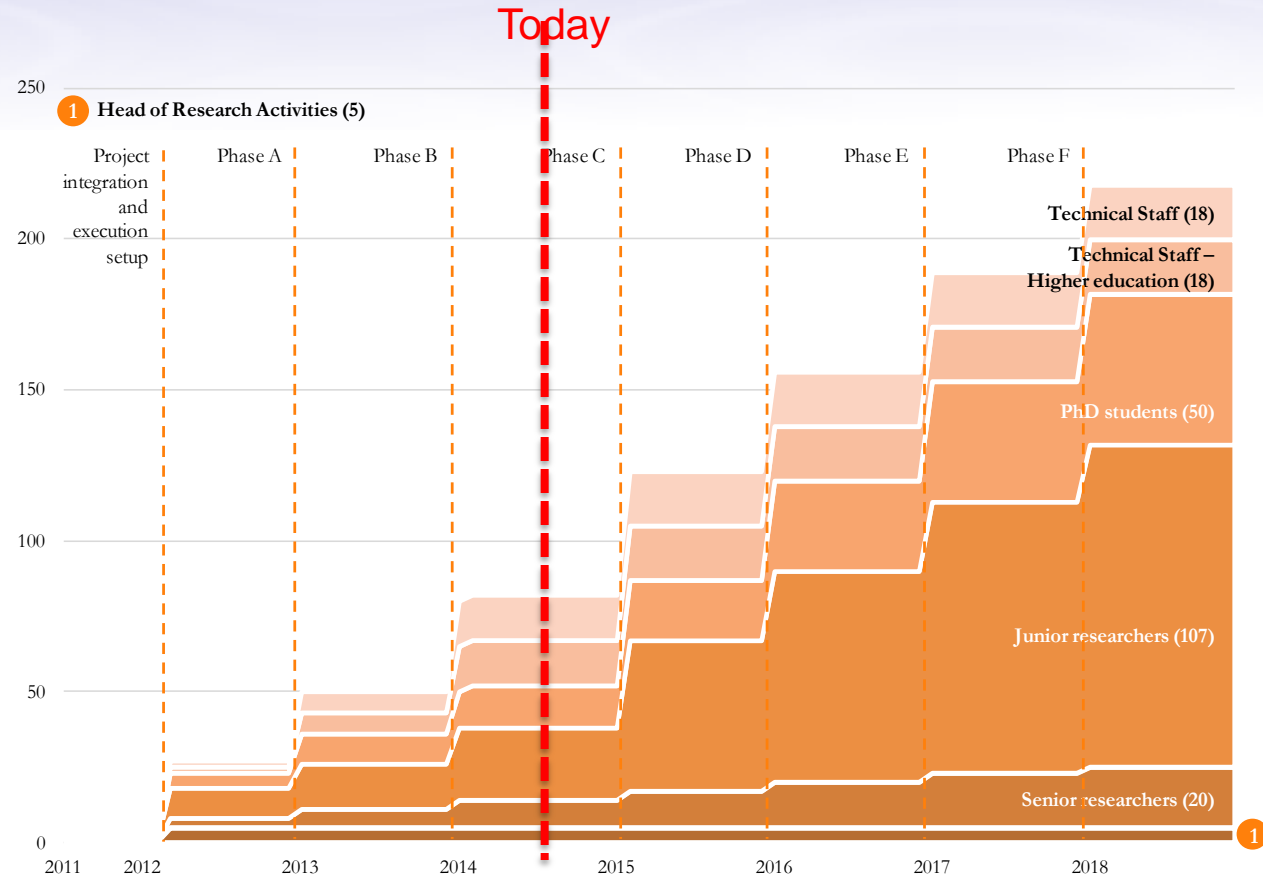


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Attracting the best

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- public announcements
- international recruitment
- Senior/junior researchers
- PhD students





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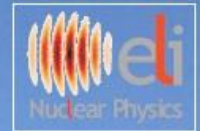
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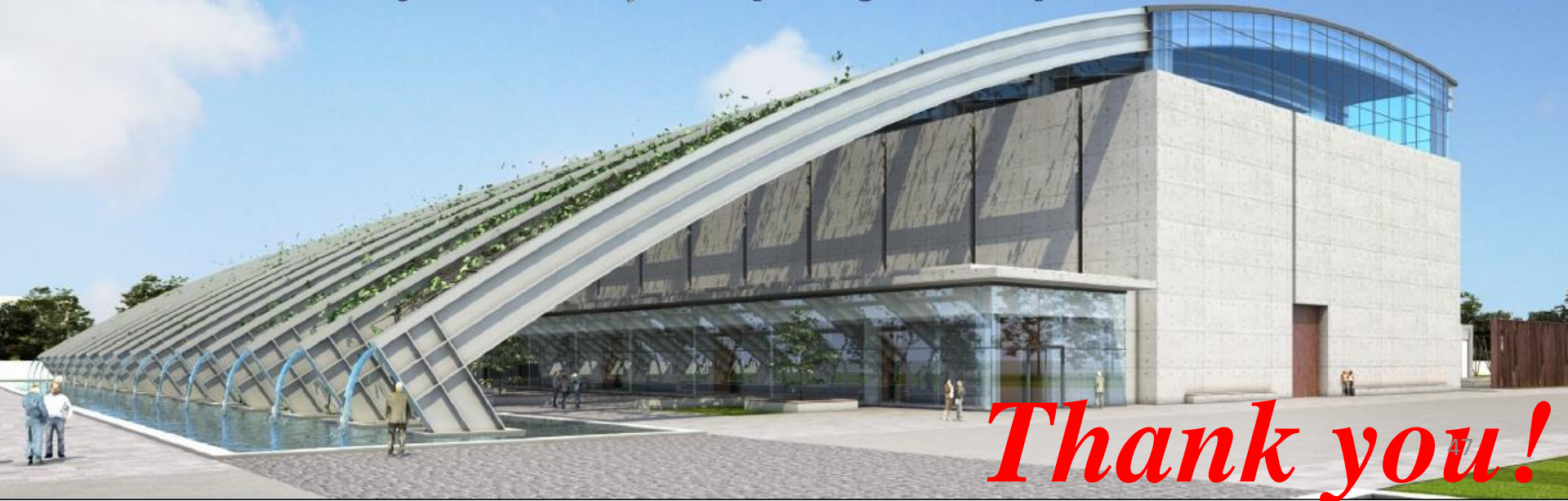
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