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Nuclear Cross Sections Analysis and R-matrix tools
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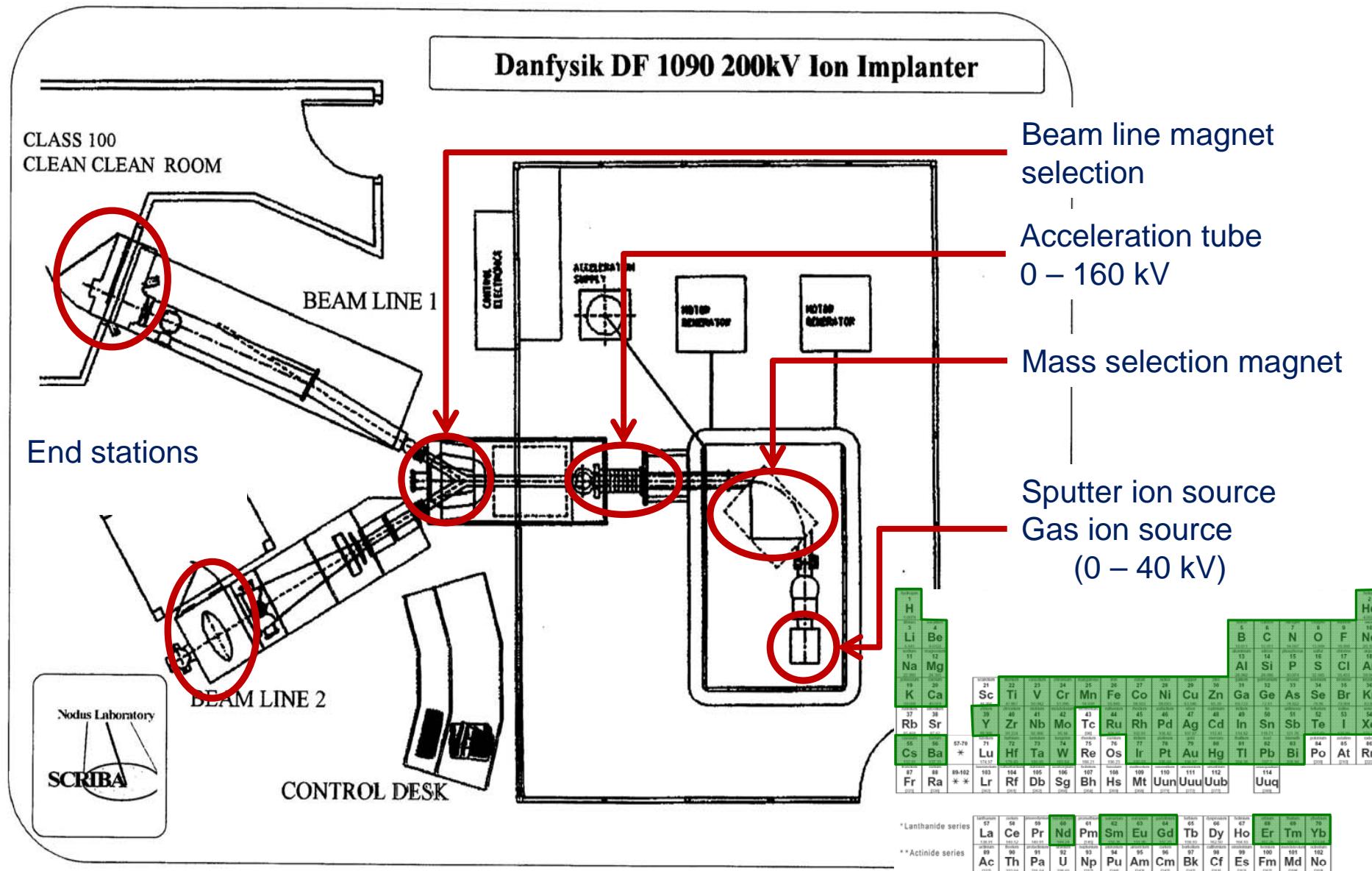
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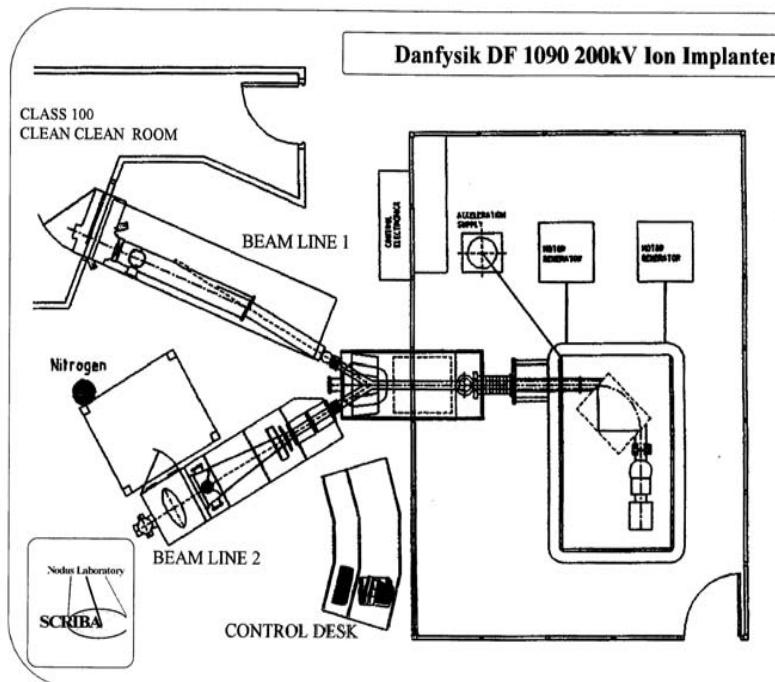
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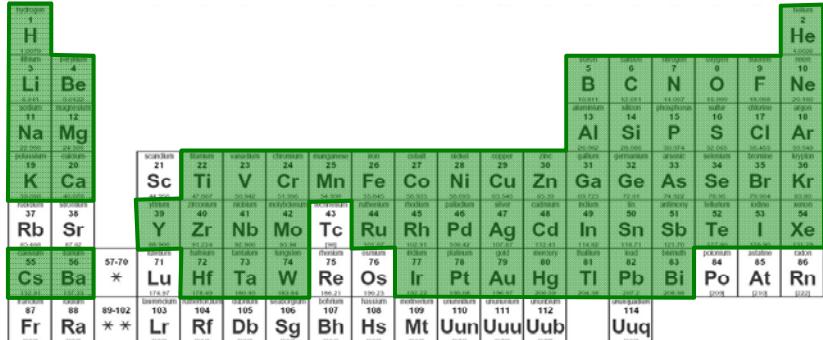
Typical values for Beam line 1

Ion species	Energy (keV)	Beam on target (p μA)
H_2^+	80	140
He^+	50 140	40
		300
Li^+	30	15
Be^+	60	10
B^+	120	125
C^+	50	25
N^+	80	110

Beam intensities are much higher for Beam line 2

Acceleration tube: 0.4 – 2.0 MV

Sputter ion source
Oven ion source
Cold penning ion source
Hot penning ion source



* Lanthanide series

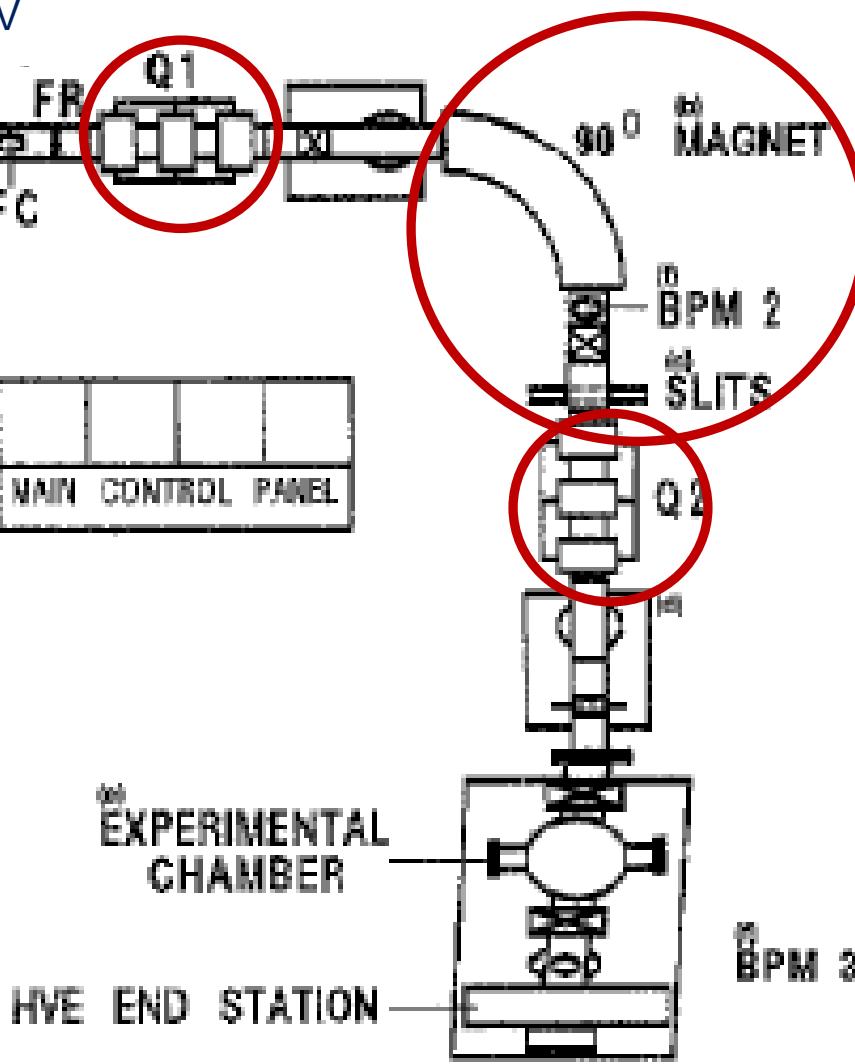
La	58	Pr	60	Sm	63	Tb	66	Er	69	Yb
130.91	140.12	140.91	140.91	140.91	140.91	150.33	162.50	164.93	170.04	173.04
Ac	89	Th	90	Pa	91	Hs	93	Fm	100	No
121.71	232.04	231.04	238.03	237.03	237.03	243.04	247.03	250.03	251.04	251.04
Rf	103	Db	104	Sg	105	Bh	107	Uun	111	Uuu
120.90	126.90	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91	128.91
Lr	103	Rf	104	Db	105	Bh	107	Uun	111	Uuu
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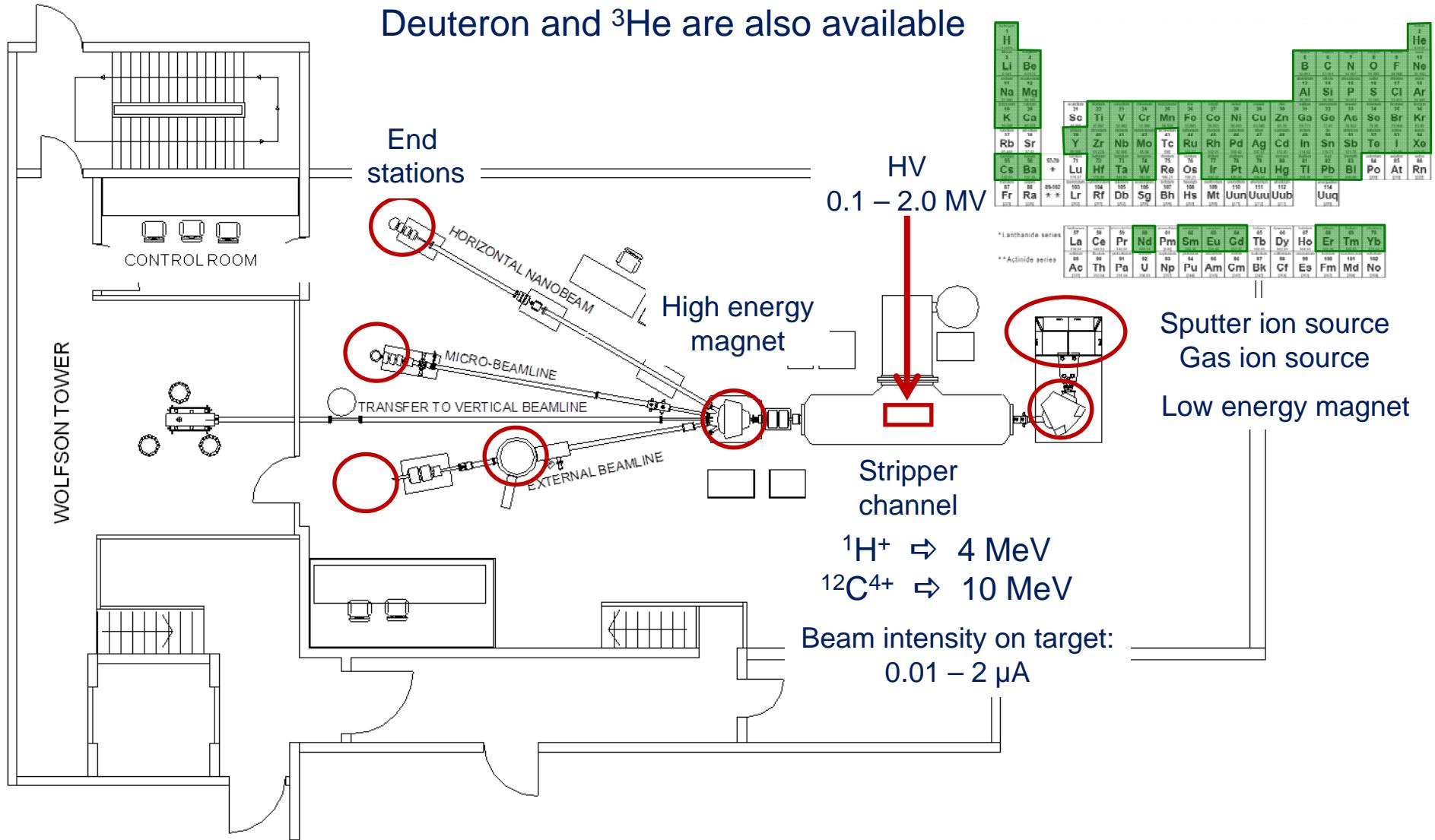
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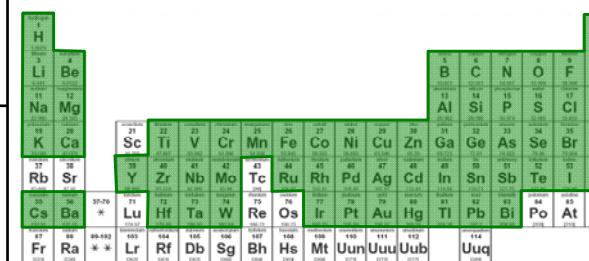
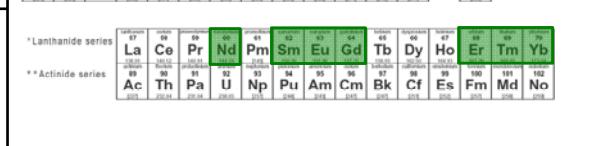
Beam intensity: 1 – 20 μ A

$${}^1\text{H}^+ \Rightarrow 2 \text{ MeV}$$

$${}^{12}\text{C}^{2+} \Rightarrow 4 \text{ MeV}$$





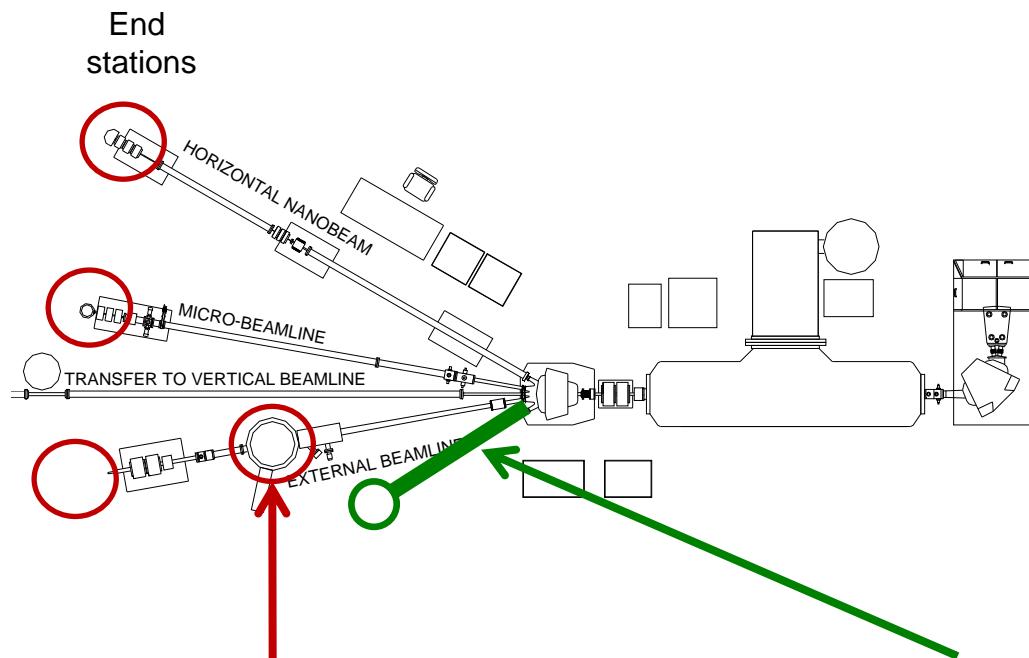
Facility	Energy range (keV)	Ion species available	Beam intensity on target (μ A)
Danfysik	2 – 200		10 – 1000
2M Ion Implanter	300 – 4000		1 – 20
2M tandem accelerator	150 – $(q + 1) \times 2000$		0.01 – 2



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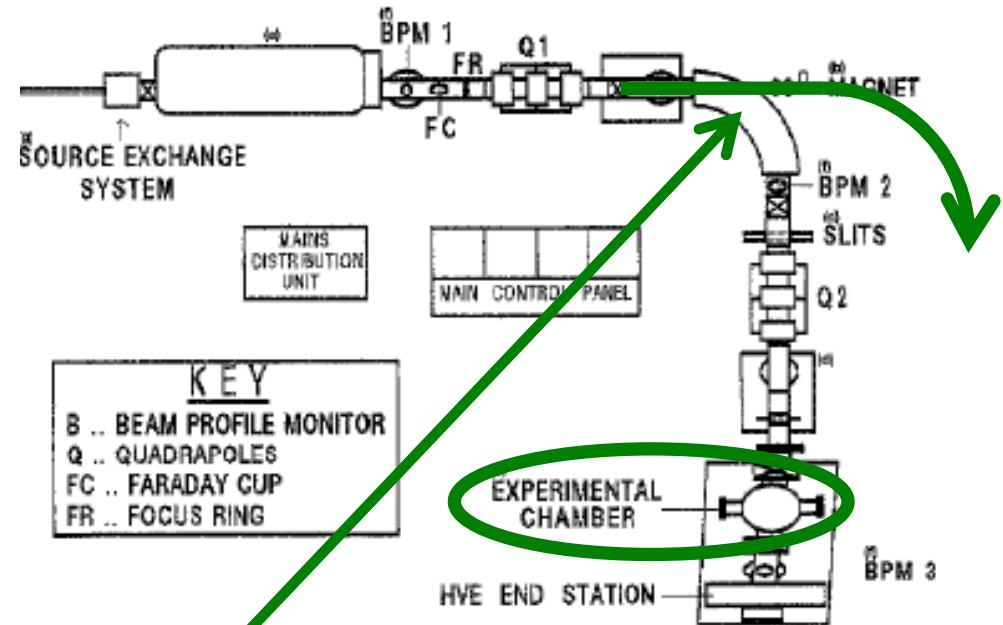
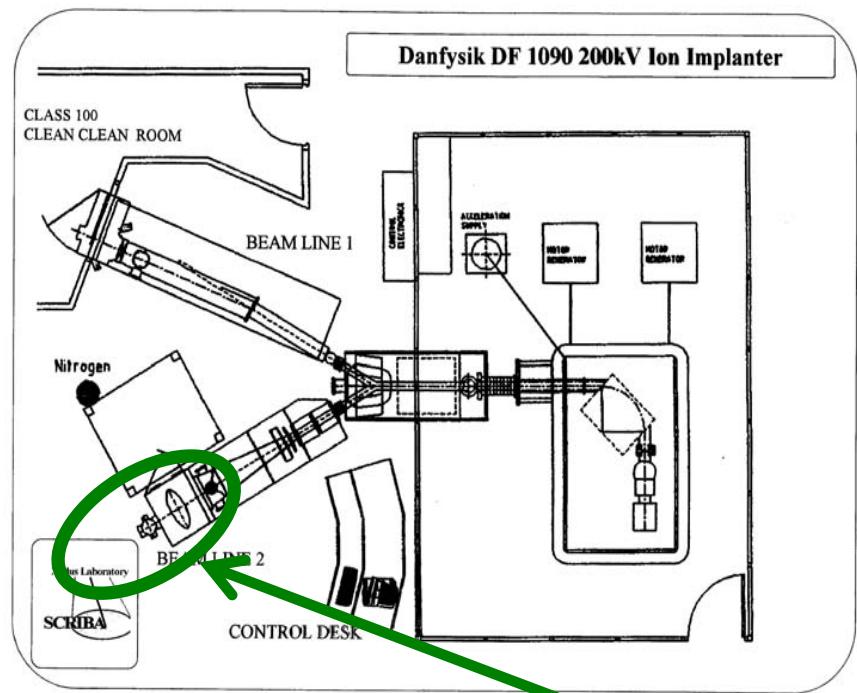


Broad-beam chamber
Angular distribution studies

Fifth line:
To be developed...



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2MV tandem accelerator Energy spread & V_t precision

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SPECIFICATIONS																										
Model No.	4110			4117			4120			4130	4140			4150			4160									
Beam current version*	MC	MC ⁺	HC	MC	MC ⁺	HC	MC	MC ⁺	HC	MC	MC ⁺	HC	MC	MC ⁺	HC	MC	MC ⁺	HC								
Terminal voltage range	MV	0.1 - 1.0			0.1 - 1.7			0.1 - 2.0			0.2 - 3.0			0.2 - 4.0			0.3 - 5.0									
Terminal voltage stability																										
· standard system (GVM)**	%, V	150			200			200			300			400			500									
· with slit stabilisation***	%, V	30			30			30			30			30			30									
Terminal voltage ripple**																										
· standard system	V _{pp}	100			100			100			200			300			400									
· with de-rippling kit	V _{pp}	25			25			25			30			40			50									
X-ray level****	µSv/hr	<2			<2			<2			<2			<2			<2									
Beam currents*****	eA																									
· Ion source Model 860A		¹¹ B	2+	10	15	15	2+	10	20	20	3+	10	20	20	3+	5	20	20	3+	5	15	15	3+	4	10	10
		¹⁶ O	2+	25	50	80	2+	25	40	80	3+	25	50	100	3+	20	40	100	4+	15	30	100	4+	15	30	80
		²⁸ Si	2+	35	50	100	2+	40	50	140	3+	40	50	150	3+	20	40	125	4+	15	30	125	4+	15	30	100
		³¹ P	2+	15	25	25	2+	15	35	35	3+	15	35	35	3+	10	40	40	4+	10	30	35	4+	10	30	30
		⁵⁸ Ni	2+	3	6	6	2+	5	10	10	2+	5	10	10	3+	3	8	8	3+	3	10	10	4+	3	8	8
		⁶³ Cu	2+	5	10	10	2+	5	15	15	2+	5	15	15	2+	3	10	10	3+	3	10	10	4+	3	8	8
		¹⁹⁷ Au	1+	10	50	50	2+	20	50	60	2+	20	50	60	2+	10	40	40	2+	8	30	40	3+	10	25	35
· Ion source Model 358		¹ H	1+	5	20	20	1+	5	25	25	1+	5	25	25	1+	4	25	25	1+	4	20	20	1+	3	15	15
		⁴ He	2+	0,5	1	1	2+	1	2	2	2+	1	2	2	2+	0,7	2	2	2+	0,7	1,5	1,5	2+	0,5	1	1
· Ion source Model 173		⁴ He	2+	0,2	0,5	0,5	2+	0,5	1	1	2+	0,5	1	1	2+	0,3	1	1	2+	0,3	0,8	0,8	2+	0,3	0,5	0,5

* Medium current plus (MC⁺) version is a medium current (MC) version equipped with a (optional) stripper gas re-circulation pump.

** High current (HC) version is a medium current plus (MC⁺) version equipped with a (optional) high current power supply.

*** measured over one hour, after one hour of warming up, at 75% of maximum terminal voltage.

**** measured over one hour, after one hour of warming up, at the exit of a HVEE 90° 1500mm radius analyzing magnet, by means of the ⁷Li(p,n) reaction at 1.881MeV.

***** measured at 1mtr from the tankwall, running a 1µA He beam at maximum terminal voltage.

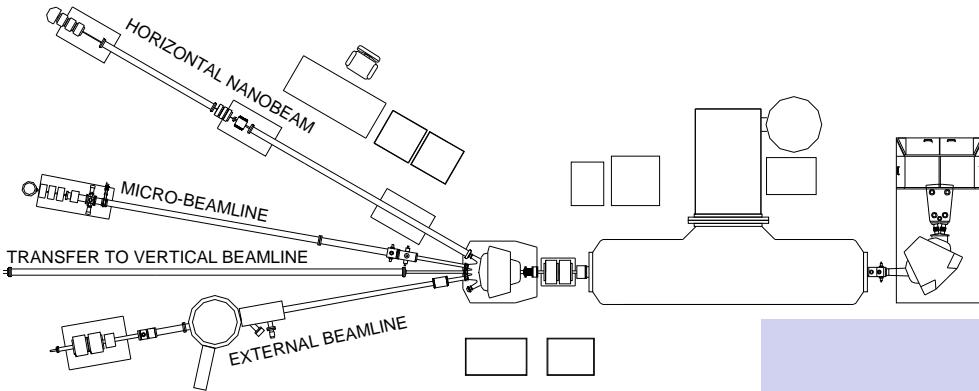
***** measured at maximum terminal voltage in a Faraday cup after a HVEE high energy switching magnet.

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Energy spread is ~(1 + q) 25 eV
 V_t precision setting is better than 0.2 kV



2MV tandem accelerator Energy calibration



$^{13}C(p,\gamma)^{14}N$ @ $E_R = 1747.6 \pm 0.9$ keV

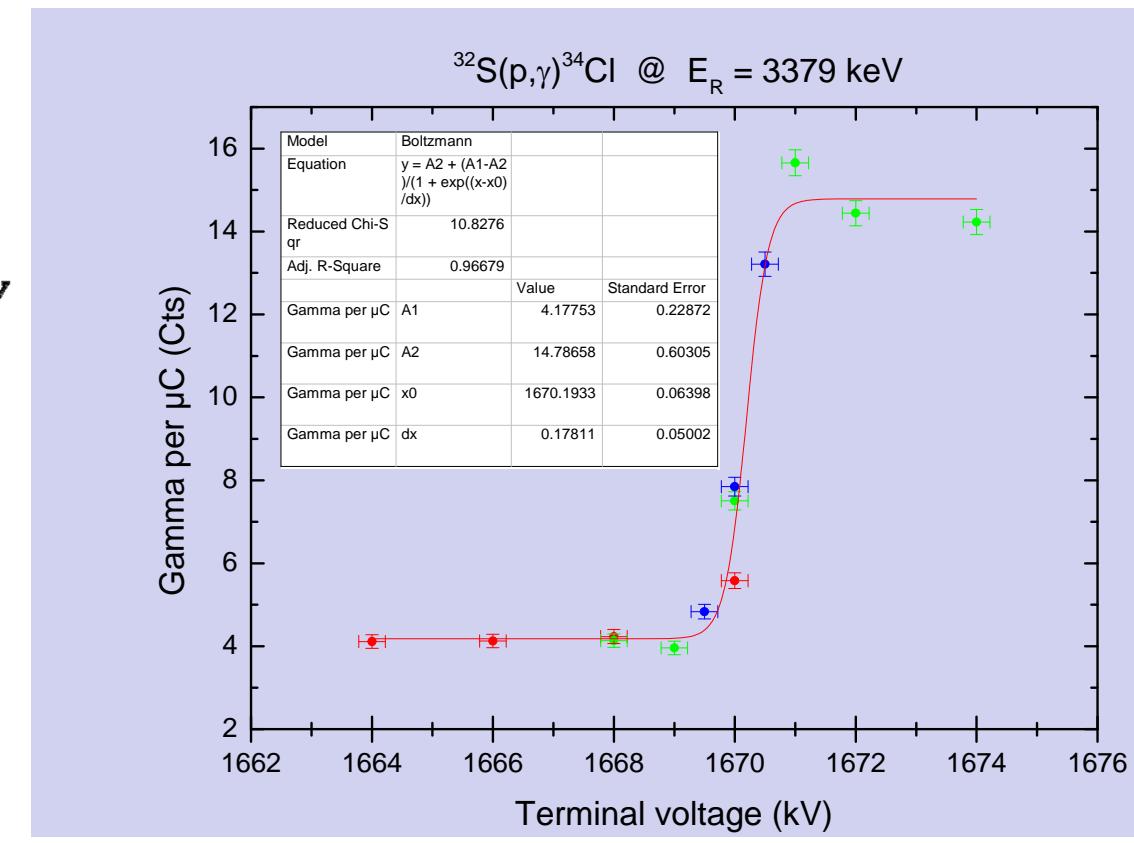
$^{27}Al(p,\gamma)^{28}Si$ @ $E_R = 991.9 \pm 0.04$ keV

$^{32}S(p,\gamma)^{33}Cl$ @ $E_R = 3379 \pm 1$ keV



$$E = eV_{ext} + (1 + q)aV_t$$

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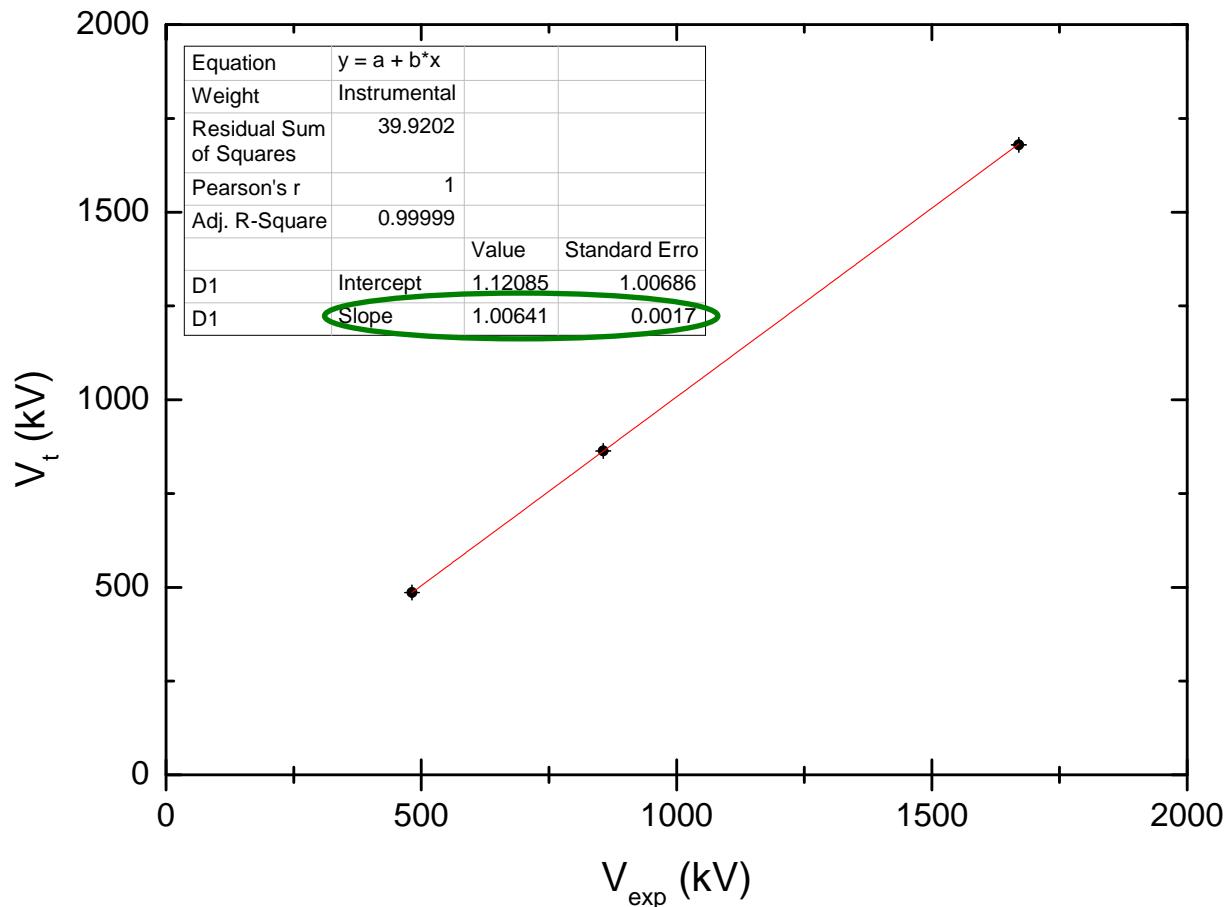
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Calibration uncertainty
< 0.2%

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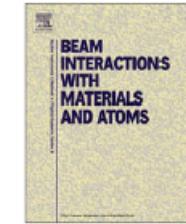
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Development of a low-level setup for gamma spectroscopy: Application for nuclear astrophysics using reverse kinematics

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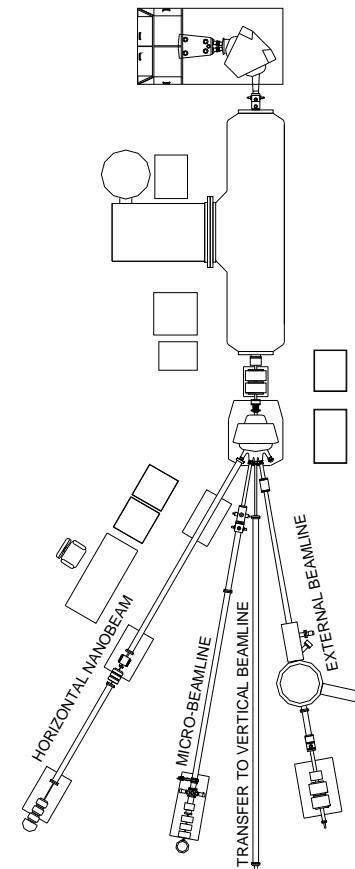
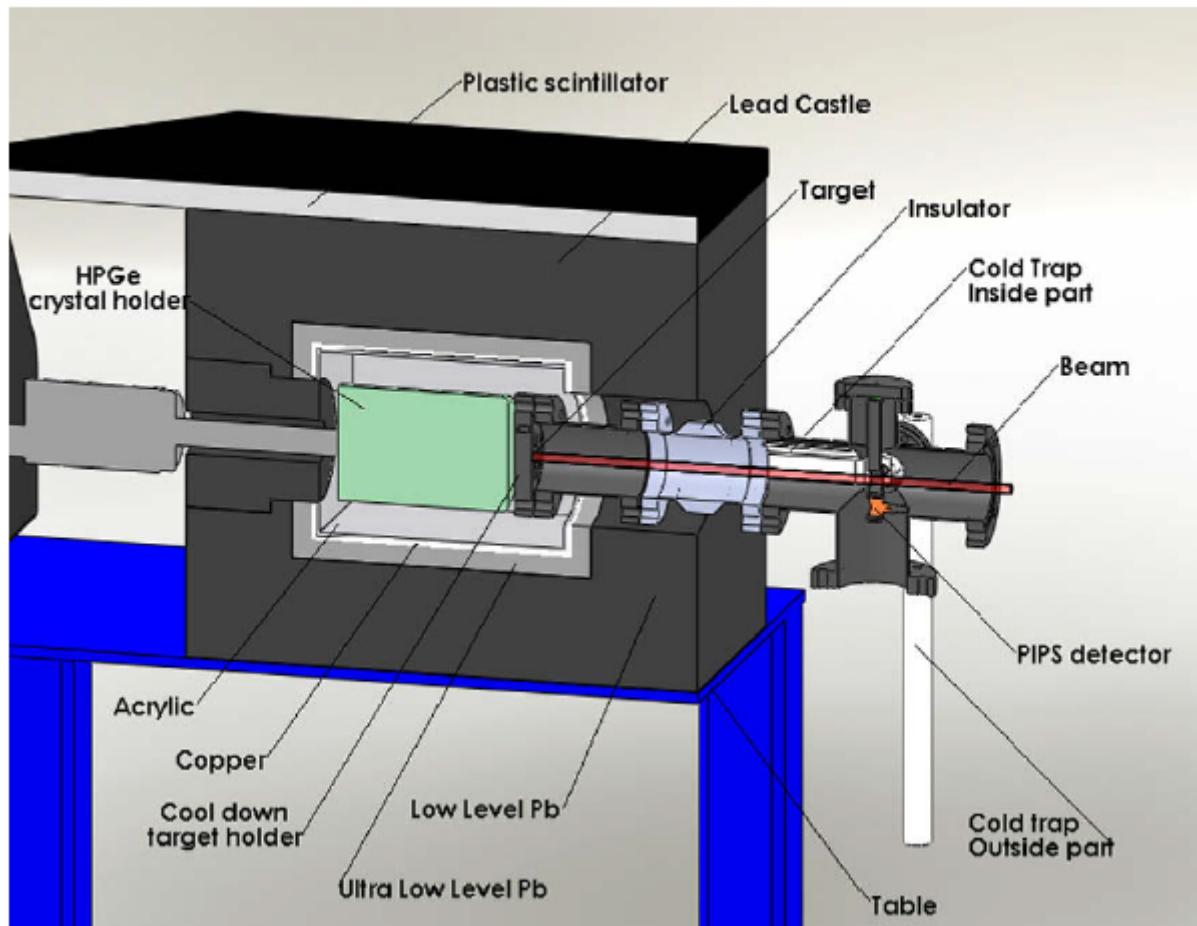
Low-level gamma-ray spectroscopy

ABSTRACT

It is more and more necessary to improve the sensitivity of gamma-ray spectroscopy systems, especially in nuclear astrophysics. In the case of radiative proton capture reactions, one means is to avoid the reactions on the target impurities by using reverse kinematics. This technique is possible with the LARN accelerator and can provide very clean cross-section measurements. For that purpose, a hydrogen standard has been carried out by means of ion implantation in silicon. In addition, a low-level setup has been put in place on a new beam line of the accelerator. A high efficiency and high resolution germanium detector is used conjointly with a double shielding. A passive lead castle shielding system is used to reduce the natural radioactivity and an active shielding consisting of an anti-cosmic veto is provided by an anticoincidence between the plastic scintillator and the gamma-ray detector. The setup allows a reduction of 70% of the background interference and provides an approximately 200 fold sensitivity gain of between 600 and 3000 keV. Some other developments have also been carried out to optimize the setup. The entire setup and the reverse kinematics have been validated by measuring the cross-section of the $^{13}\text{C}(\text{p},\gamma)^{14}\text{N}$ and $^{15}\text{N}(\text{p},\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ reactions that present some astrophysical interest.

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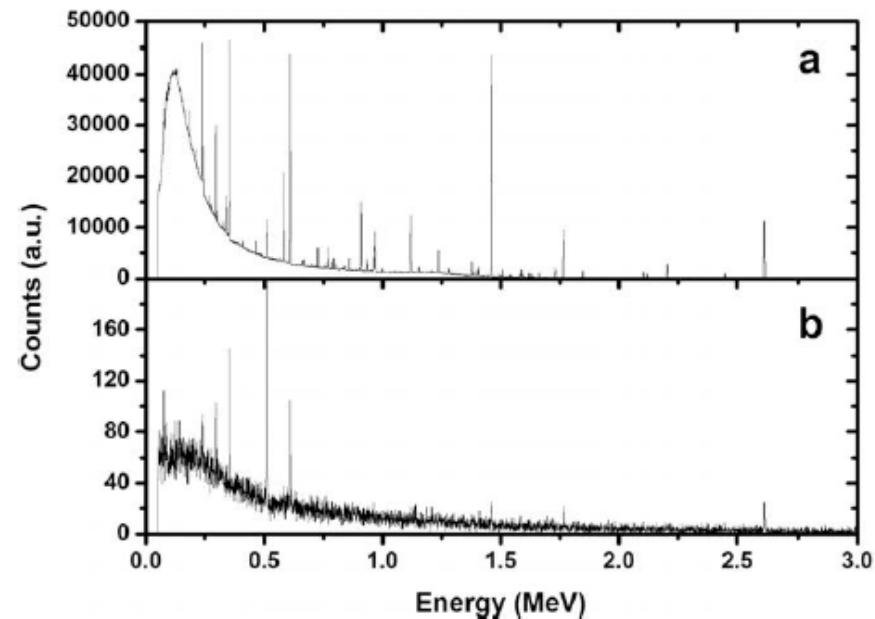
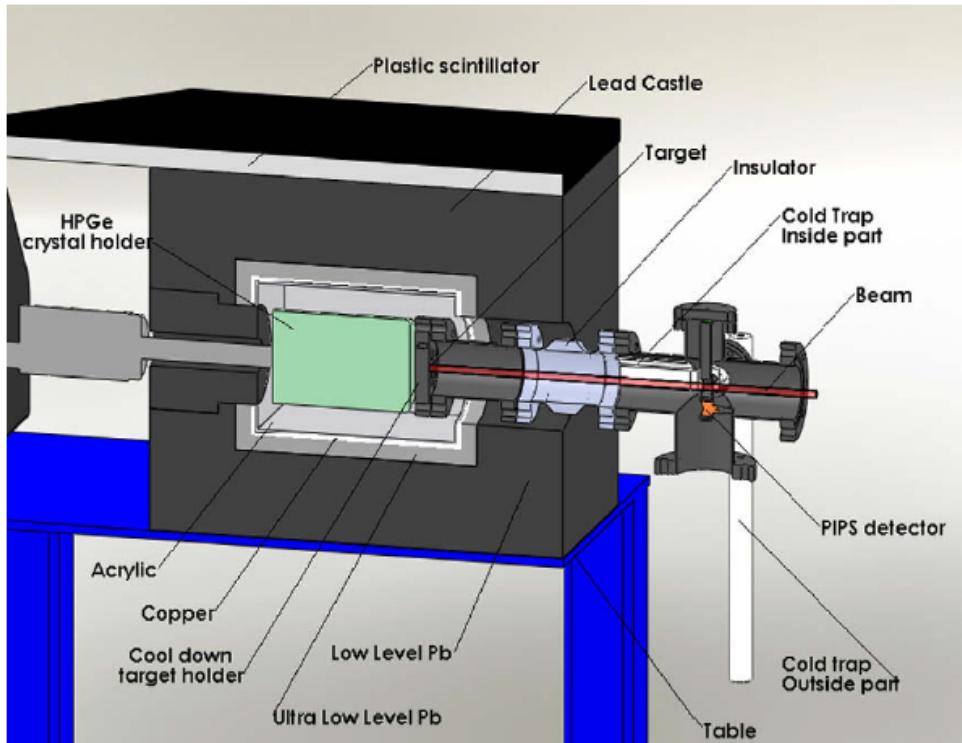


Fig. 2. Comparison of two background spectra acquired with the HPGe detector with (b), and without (a) lead castle. The acquisition time is 51,120 s (more than 14 h).

Counting rate is 200 times lower

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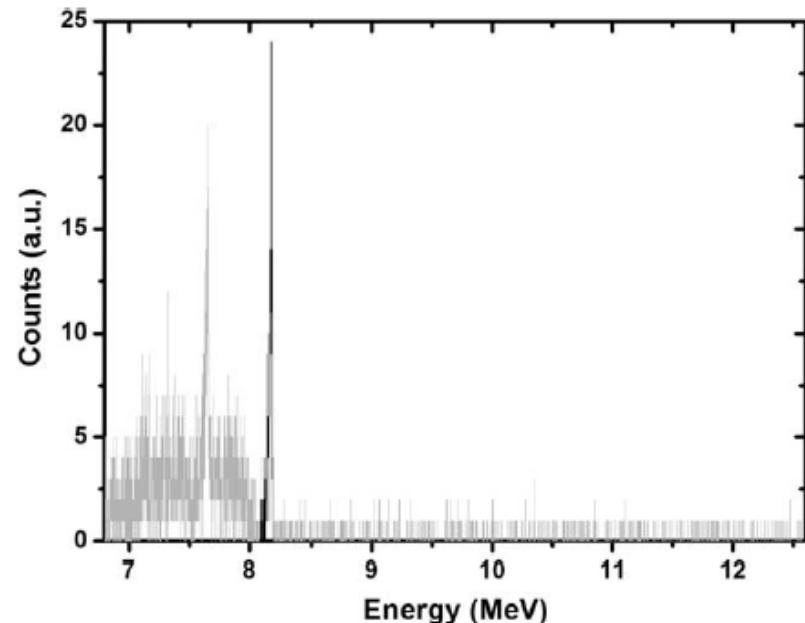
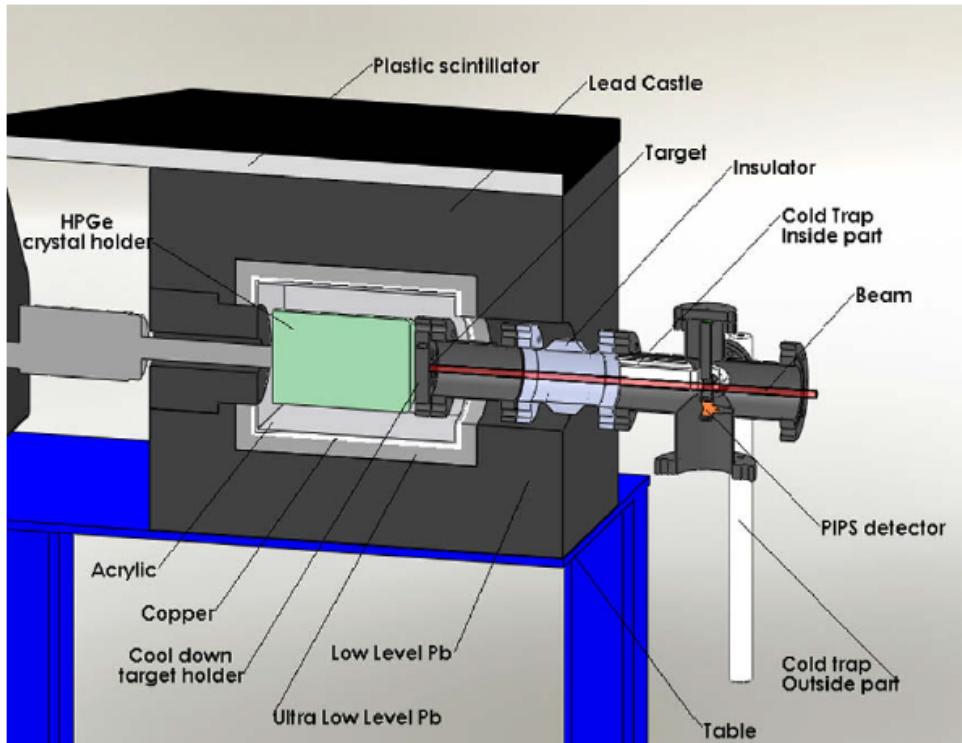


Fig. 3. Spectrum acquired during the ${}^1\text{H}({}^{13}\text{C},\gamma){}^{14}\text{N}$ cross-section measurement at $E_{\text{CM}} = 400$ keV. The ROI on the full-energy peak is in black. No gamma-ray line is observed at higher energy, only cosmic rays. The acquisition time is less than 5 h and the signal to noise ratio is 40.

Reverse kinematics: ${}^1\text{H}({}^{13}\text{C},\gamma){}^{14}\text{N}$



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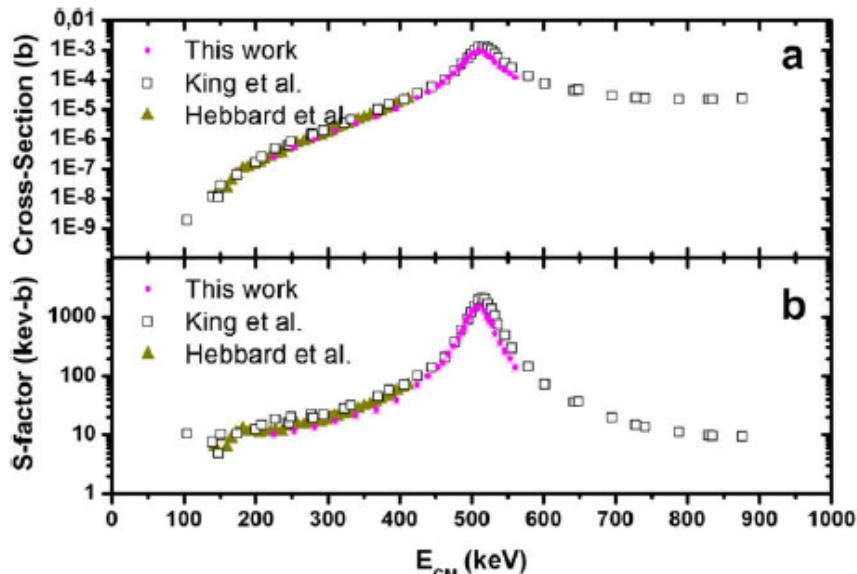
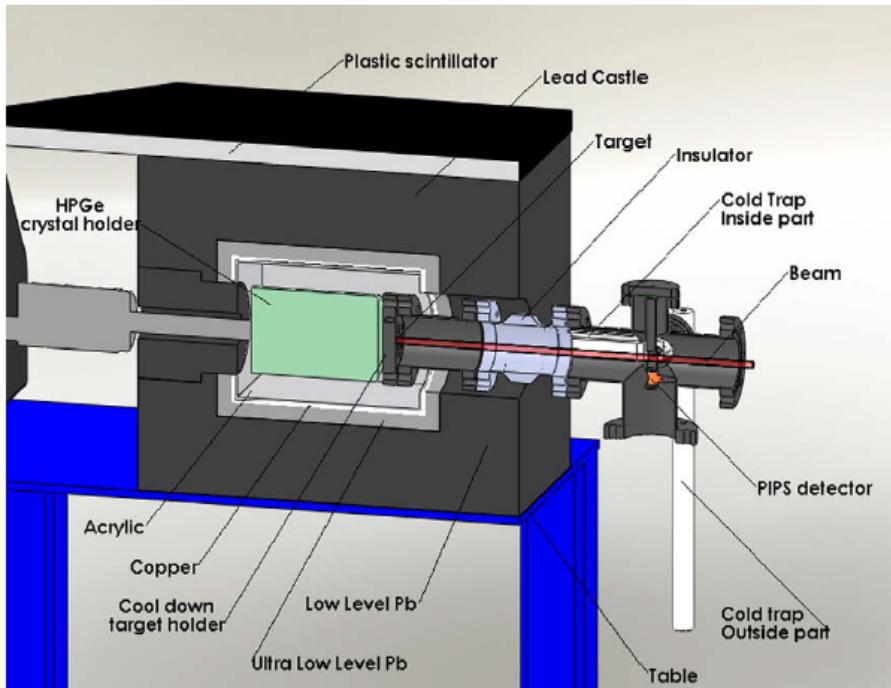


Fig. 4. Results of the measurement of the $^{13}\text{C}(\text{p},\gamma)^{14}\text{N}$ reaction: the total cross-section (a) and the S-factor (b). A re-normalization factor of 1.23 has been applied to the cross-section in order to take into account all the de-excitation channels of the 511 keV resonant level. They are compared to those of King et al. [33] and Hebbard et al. [8].

Low current tandem accelerator \longleftrightarrow ^{13}C beam intensity: 0.2 – 2.5 μA
Acquisition time: 20 min – 50 hours



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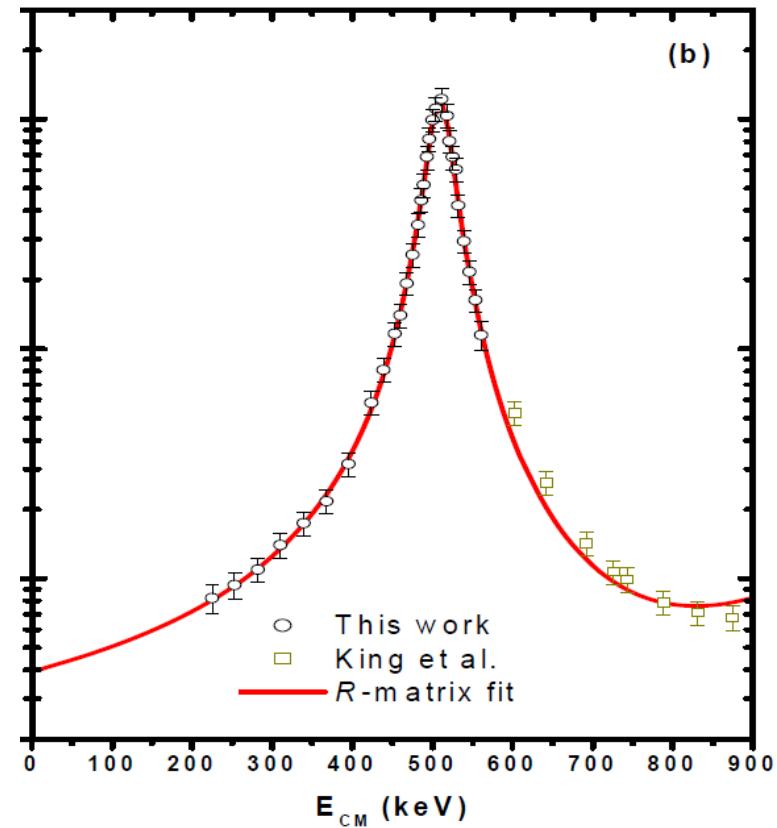
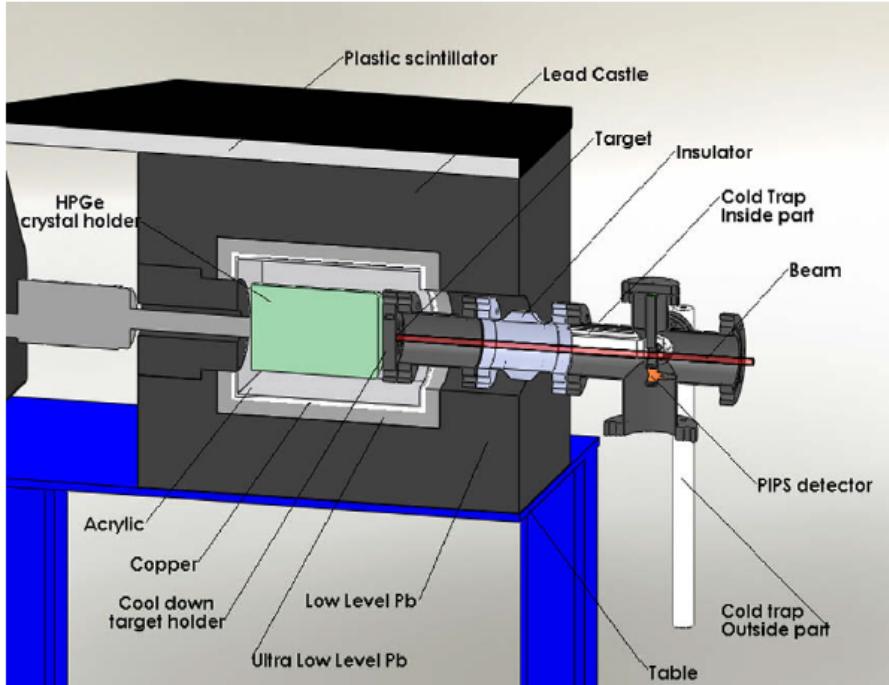


Figure 1. (b) Extrapolation of the R -matrix fit (circles). Some points of King et al. [3] (squares) are also shown.



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Cross section measurements of proton capture reactions relevant to the *p* process: The case of $^{89}\text{Y}(p, \gamma)^{90}\text{Zr}$ and $^{121,123}\text{Sb}(p, \gamma)^{122,124}\text{Te}$

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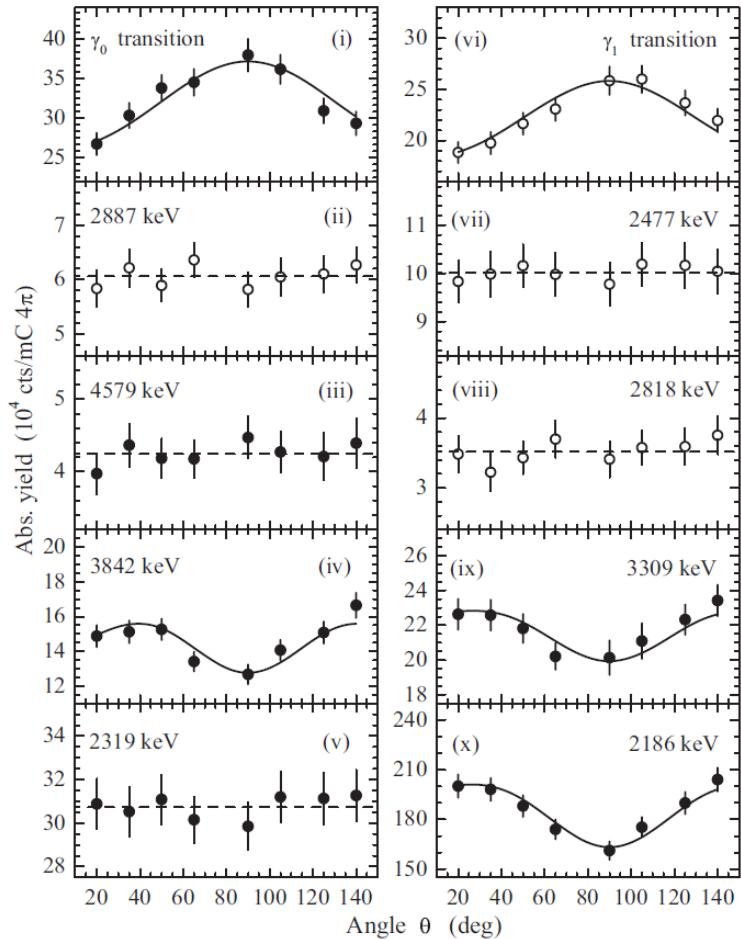
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The cross sections of the $^{89}\text{Y}(p, \gamma)^{90}\text{Zr}$ and the $^{121,123}\text{Sb}(p, \gamma)^{122,124}\text{Te}$ reactions were determined from γ -angular distribution measurements at beam energies from 1.6 to 3.4 MeV. In addition, angle-integrated cross sections were also measured at $E_p = 2, 3, 4$, and 4.8 MeV for the $^{89}\text{Y}(p, \gamma)^{90}\text{Zr}$ reaction using the 4π γ -summing method. Astrophysical *S* factors and reaction rates were deduced from the measured cross sections. Statistical model calculations were performed using the nuclear-reaction code TALYS. The results from the comparison between theory and experiment are discussed in detail.

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S factor determinations



R-matrix treatment

Resonances parameters

Quantum numbers

R-matrix treatment

Extrapolation to lower energies
(S factor – Gamow window)

FIG. 5. Some typical angular distributions of γ transitions depopulating excited levels in the ^{90}Zr nucleus. The primaries from the entry level to the ground and first excited states, γ_0 and γ_1 , respectively, are shown in the upper parts of the figure. Angular distributions plotted with open circles belong to γ rays feeding the first excited state, whereas those shown with filled ones to γ transitions populating the ground state (see also text).

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Proton resonances in ^{28}Si from $E_x = 12.5$ to 13.4 MeV

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The $^{27}\text{Al}(\text{p},\text{p})$ and (p,α_0) differential cross sections were measured in the range $E_{\text{p}} = 0.92$ to 1.85 MeV with an overall resolution of 350 to 400 eV (full width at half maximum.) Resonance parameters were extracted for 31 resonances with a multilevel, multichannel, R -matrix analysis code; these parameters include resonance energy, total angular momentum, partial elastic and inelastic widths, and channel spin and orbital angular momentum mixing ratios. Eleven analog states were identified, and the Coulomb displacement energies and spectroscopic factors were calculated. For the 2^+ resonance at $E_{\text{p}} = 1.37$ MeV the entrance orbital angular momentum mixing ratio was determined. The relevance of this mixing ratio to a previous test of time reversal invariance is discussed.



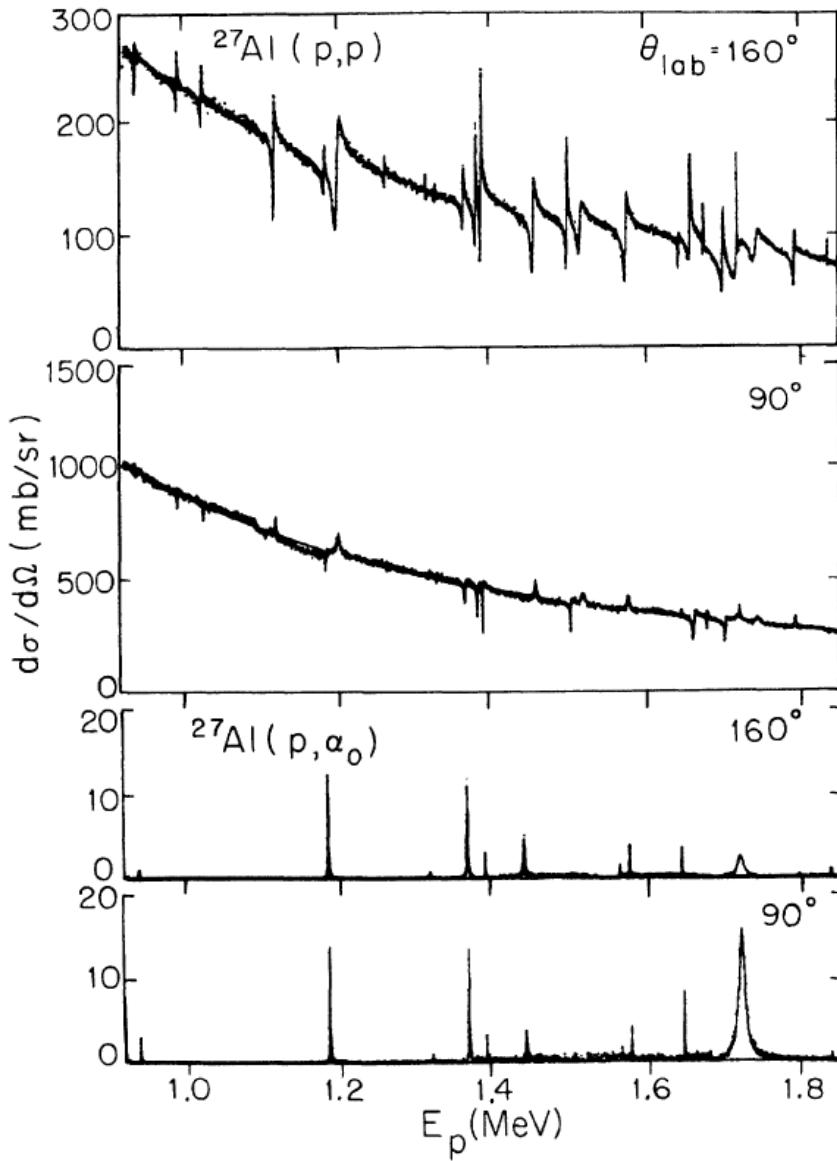


FIG. 3. The $^{27}\text{Al}(p,p)$ and (p,α_0) differential cross sections at two angles in the range $E_p = 0.92 - 1.85$ MeV. The solid line is the *R*-matrix fit to the data. Background due to pulse pileup is seen in the α_0 excitation functions above $E_p = 1.4$ MeV. There are no $160^\circ \alpha_0$ data for the resonance near $E_p = 1.7$ MeV due to the large contribution of pulse pileup from strong $^{12}\text{C}(p,p)$ resonances. Acceptable data were obtained at the three other angles. Uncorrected laboratory energies are plotted.

R-matrix → Resonances parameters
 Quantum numbers

Nuclear spectroscopy

TABLE I. Resonance parameters for $^{27}\text{Al}(\text{p},\text{p})$ and $^{27}\text{Al}(\text{p},\alpha_0)$.

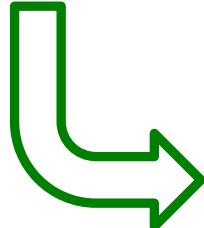
E_{p}^{a} (MeV)	J^{π} ^b	I^c	ξ	ψ_2^d (deg)	ψ_3^d (deg)	Γ_p^e (keV)	γ_p^{2f} (keV)	l_{α_0}	$\Gamma_{\alpha_0}^e$ (keV)	$\gamma_{\alpha_0}^{2f}$ (keV)
0.9370	3^-	1	0.80	0	0	0.10	28.	3	0.008	17.
0.9919	$(2)^+$	0	0.0	0		0.10	5.0			
	$(3)^+$	0	1.0		0	0.070	3.5			
1.0253	2^+	0	0.0	0		0.11	4.5			
1.1189	4^-	1	1.0		0	0.70	62.			
1.1841	2^+	0	0.0	0	0	0.25	34.	2	0.41	74.
1.2008	3^-	1	0.0	0		5.4	320.	3	<0.005	3.2
		1	0.9	0	0	5.4	320.	3	<0.005	3.2
1.2637	3^-	1	g	0	0	0.10	4.5			
1.3183	4^+	2	1.0			0.030	9.6	4	0.005	11.
1.3300	$(2)^+$	0	0.0	0		0.040	0.43			
	$(3)^+$	0	1.0		0	0.030	0.32			
1.3656	2^+	0	0.03	-6	90	0.55	11.	2	0.40	36.
1.3826	2^+	0	0.0	0		0.78	7.0			
1.3893	3^+	0	1.0		0	0.60	5.3			
1.3895	2^+	0	0.0	0		0.20	1.7	2	0.030	2.5
1.4406	1^-	1	0.0	0		0.25	5.7	1	1.45	42.
1.4575	4^-	1	1.0		0	2.3	50.			
	$(3)^-$	1	0.10	0	0	2.3	50.			
		1	0.75	0	0	2.3	50.			
1.5033	3^+	0	1.0		0	0.55	3.4			
1.5196	2^-	1	0.32	0	0	3.7	65.			
1.5660	4^+	2	0.80			0.010	1.4	4	0.010	8.2
1.5784	4^-	1	1.0		0	2.4	35.			
1.5788	2^+	0	0.0	0		0.050	0.26	2	0.080	3.5
1.6472	3^-	1	0.71	0	0	0.28	3.4	3	0.060	8.6
1.6625	2^+	0	0.00	17		1.85	20.	2	<0.010	0.34
		0	0.09	0	90	1.85	20.	2	<0.010	0.34
1.6645	1^+	2	g			0.45	38.			
1.6798	2^+	0	0.0	0		0.21	0.84			
	$(3)^+$	0	1.0		0	0.15	0.60			
1.7055	2^+	0	0.0	0		1.1	4.2			
1.7234	3^-	1	0.96	0	0	8.0	79.	3	1.6	153.
1.7243	5^-	3	0.65			0.20	215.			
1.7481	2^-	1	0.05	0	0	6.6	62.			
1.7974	$(3)^-$	1	0.10	0	0	1.3	10.8			
		1	0.75	0	0	1.3	10.8			
	$(4)^-$	1	1.0		0	1.1	9.1			
1.7998 ^b	1^+	2	g			0.20	11.			
1.8410	4^+	2	0.7			0.55	2.7	4	0.006	1.9

- Ion beam facilities at the IBC
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Conclusions

Facility	Energy range (keV)	Ion species available	Beam intensity on target (μA)
Danfysik	2 – 200		10 – 1000
2M Ion Implanter	300 – 4000		1 – 20
2M tandem accelerator	150 – $(q + 1) \times 2000$		0.01 – 2

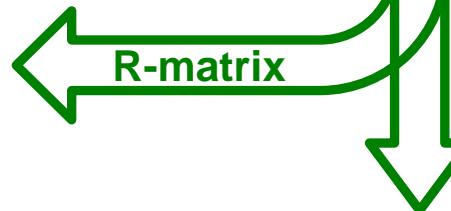


Calibration uncertainty < 0.2%

Energy spread $(1 + q) 25 \text{ eV}$

V_t precision better than 0.2 kV

Instrument of choice for
Cross sections measurement
(Automated data collection)



Nuclear astrophysics

Nuclear spectroscopy

Ion Beam Analysis

