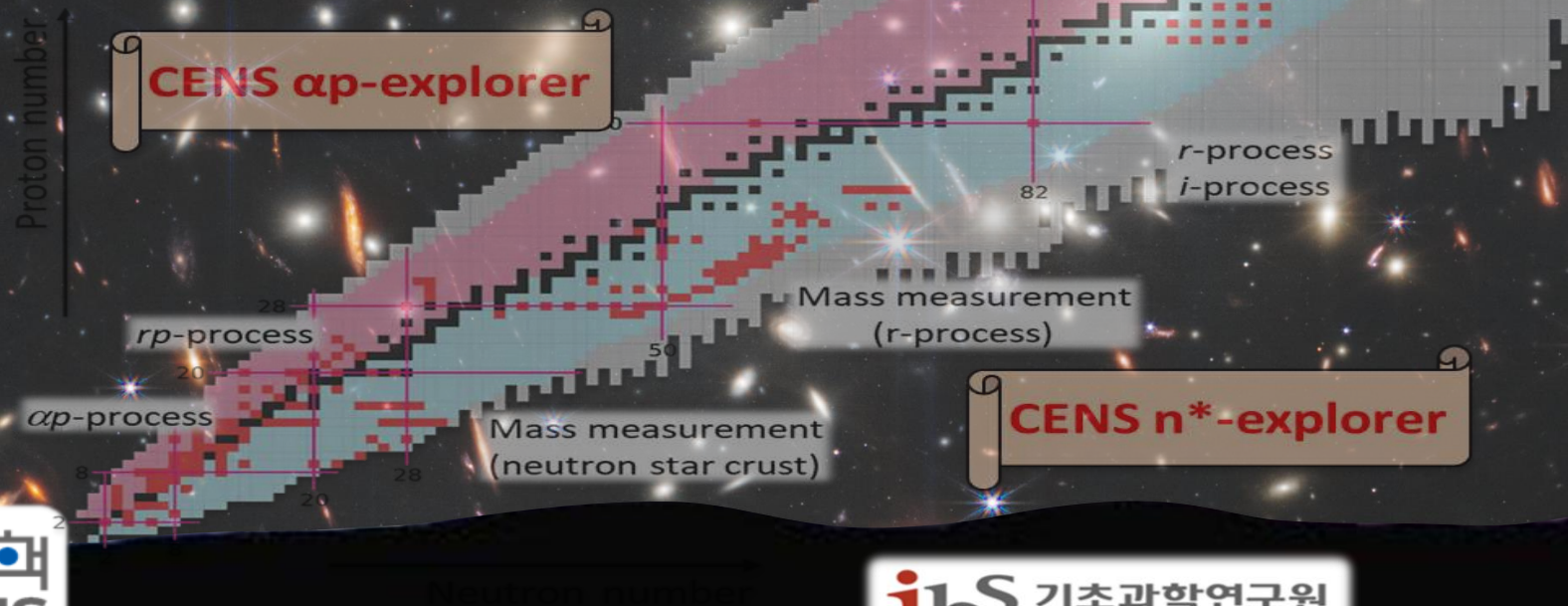


The status and future of nuclear property experiments at CENS



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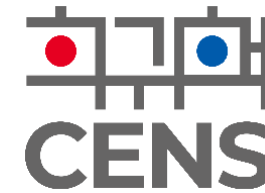
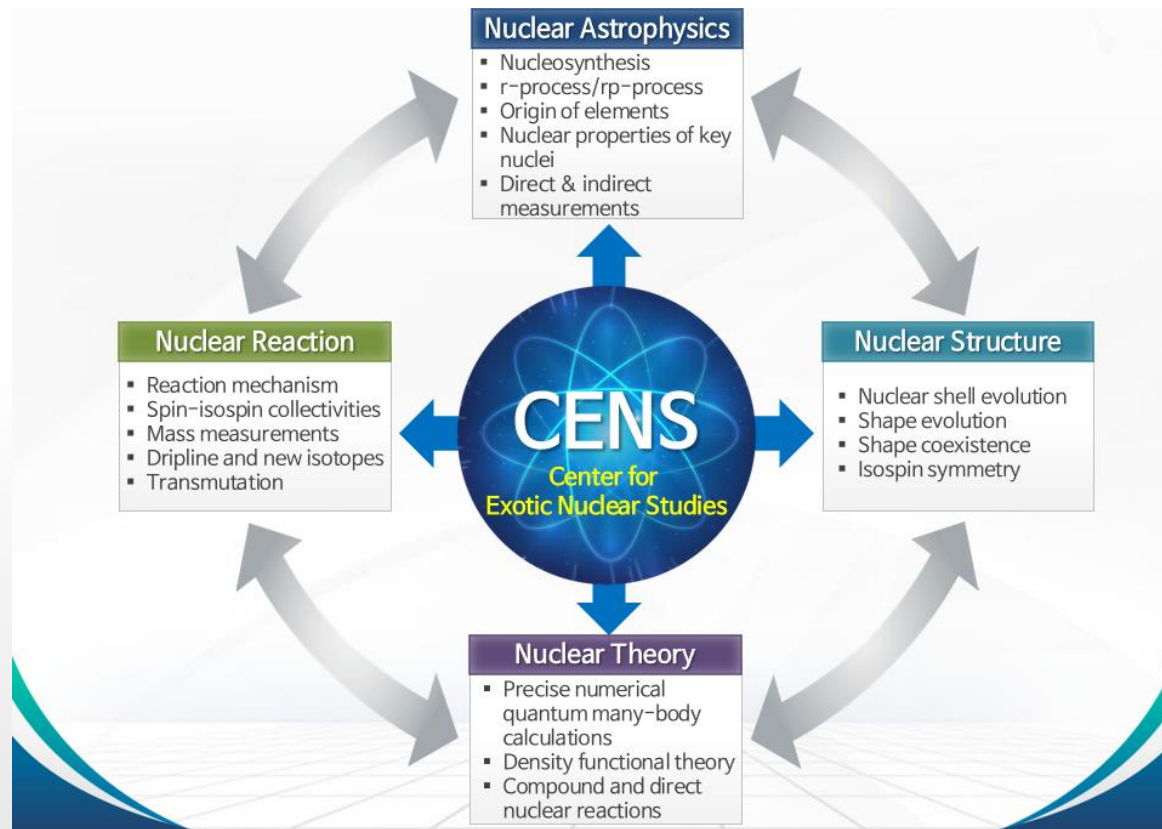
❖ Introduction of the Center for Exotic Nuclear Studies (CENS)

❖ Nuclear astrophysics research activities at CENS

Introduction of CENS

To study properties of exotic nuclei and origin of heavy elements in the universe

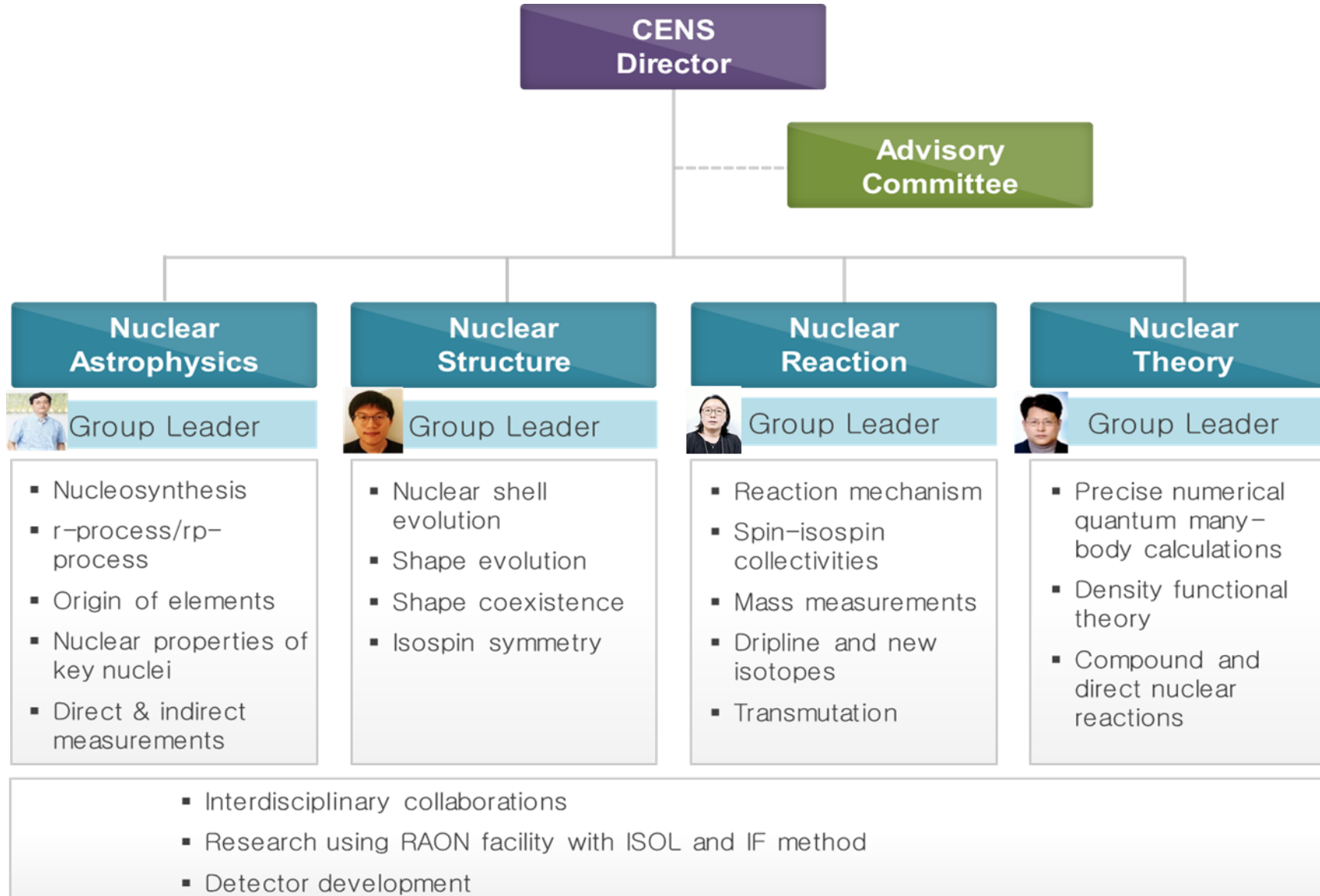
- The Center for Exotic Nuclear Studies (CENS) was launched in December 2019.
- We have 26 researchers and 11 Ph.D. students as of today.



Visions

- To become one of the leading research institutions in nuclear physics
- To explore uncharted regions of nuclei and find important discoveries

Organization of CENS



CENS Members (26 researchers)

- D. Kim & S. Kim (2020.02.01.)
- T.-S. Park (2020.03.01.)
- J. Hwang (2020.04.01.)
- J. Park (2020.04.16.)
- C.B. Moon & B. Moon (2020.09.01.)
- S. Ahn (2020.10.01.)
- Z. Korkulu & L. Stuhl (2020.11.01.)

2020
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- S. Choi (2020.11.16.)
 - S. Bae & S. Cha (2021.03.01.)
 - Q. Zhao (2021.04.16.)
 - X. Pereira-Lopez (2021.06.16.)
 - D. S. Ahn (2021.10.01.)
 - M. Kim (2021.10.16.)

2021
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- Y. H. Kim (2022.01.01.)
 - M. L. Bui (2022.01.16.)
 - J. Y. Huh (2022.07.01.)
 - H. Y. Lee (2022.09.01.)
 - I. Mazur (2022.10.16.)

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- Y. Kim (2023.01.01.)
 - J. W. Lee (2023.03.01.)
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 - J.H. Won (2023.04.16.)

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6 Faculty members (4 group leaders)

5 Senior researchers

2 Research engineers

3 YSF(Young Scientist Fellow)

10 Postdoctoral researchers


11 Ph.D. students



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Research proposals

- FRIB PAC1 (2022):
 - ✓ 4 proposals and 1 Lol submitted
 - ✓ 2 proposals and 1 Lol accepted
- FRIB PAC2 (2023):
 - ✓ 9 proposals submitted
 - ✓ 2 proposal of spokesperson
 - ✓ 5 (1 CENS) proposals accepted

- Year 2022: 
 - ✓ 1 proposal submitted and accepted
- Year 2023:
 - ✓ 1 proposals submitted



- Year 2021:
 - ✓ 4 submitted
 - ✓ 1 spokesperson
 - ✓ 2 (1 CENS) accepted



- ✓ 1 submitted and accepted



- Year 2021:
 - ✓ 2 (CENS) submitted and accepted
- Year 2022:
 - ✓ 9 submitted
 - ✓ 1 spokesperson
 - ✓ 3 accepted



- Year 2020:
 - ✓ 6 submitted
 - ✓ 5 spokesperson
 - ✓ 1 (CENS) accepted
- Year 2021:
 - ✓ 7 submitted
 - ✓ 4 spokesperson
 - ✓ 3 accepted
- Year 2022:
 - ✓ 18 submitted
 - ✓ 12 spokesperson
 - ✓ 5 (2 CENS) accepted

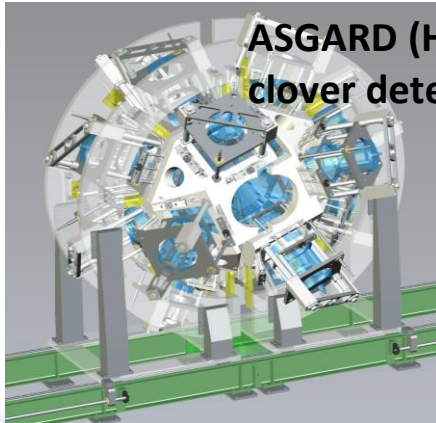
[Summary]

Submitted 67 proposals : Japan(31), Europe(20), USA(16)

Accepted 29 proposals: Japan(9), Europe(11), USA(9)

CENS spokespersons for 30 proposals, 12 accepted

CENS detector and device development

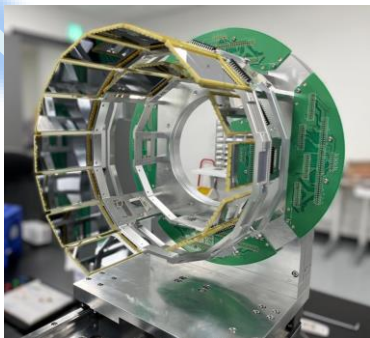


**ASgard (HPGe
clover detectors)**

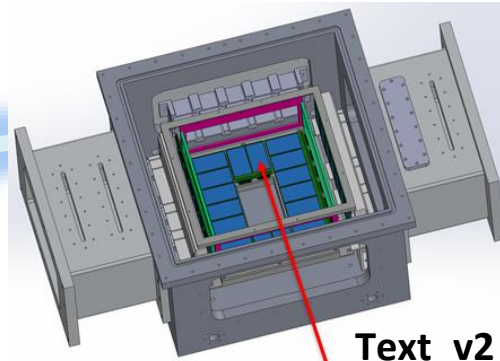
Decay Spectroscopy Station

A New Plunger Device

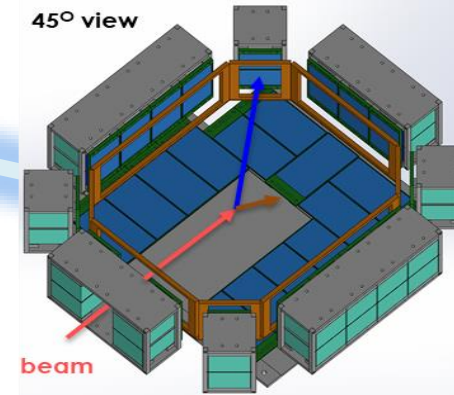
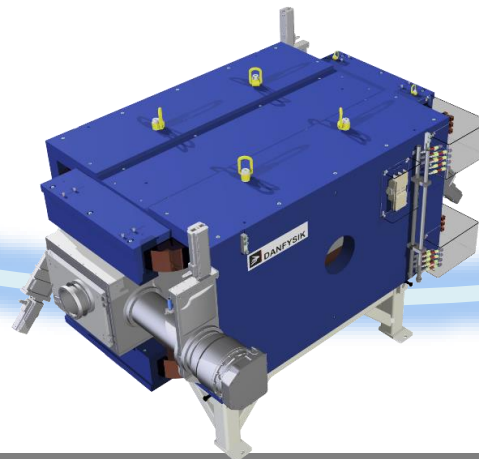
**Detector System for Internal
Conversion Electrons**



STARK (Si strip array)



**Text_v2
(active target TPC)**



**ATOM-X
(active
target TPC)**

Beam PID

Diagnostics System

DL-MCP

GAGG Scintillator

Liquid Organic Scintillator

MUSIC/IC

Gas Jet Target

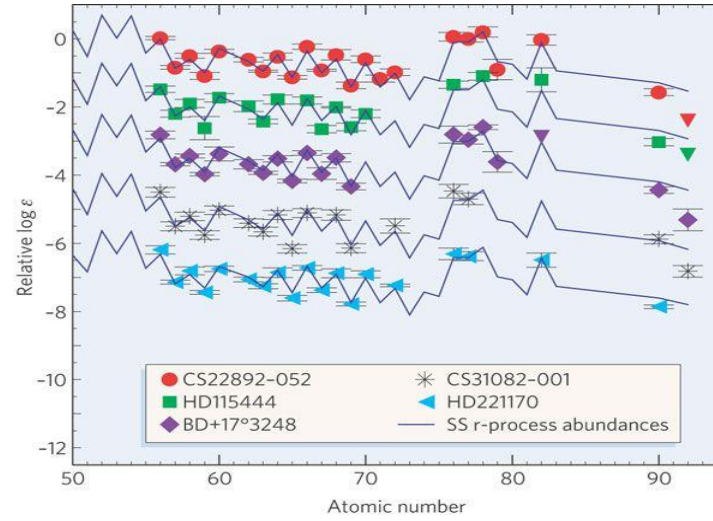
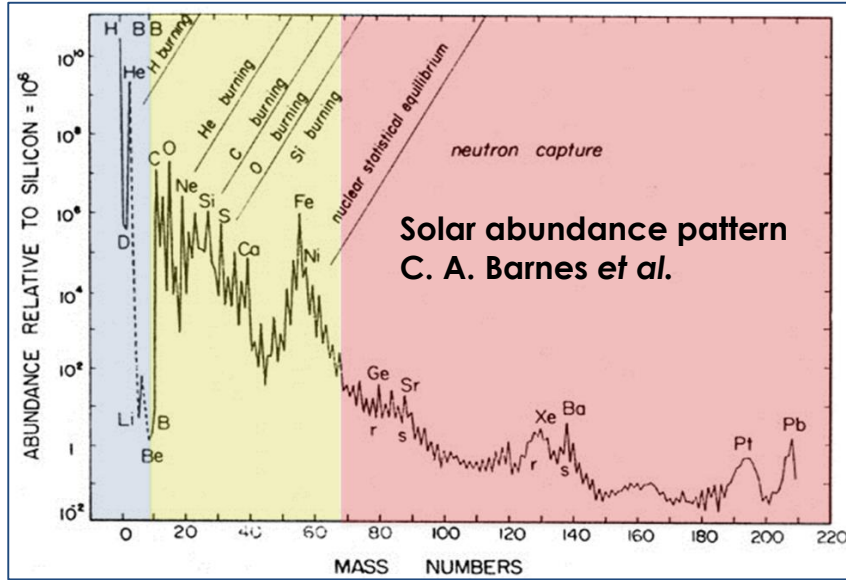


**CryoSTAR
(gas target)**

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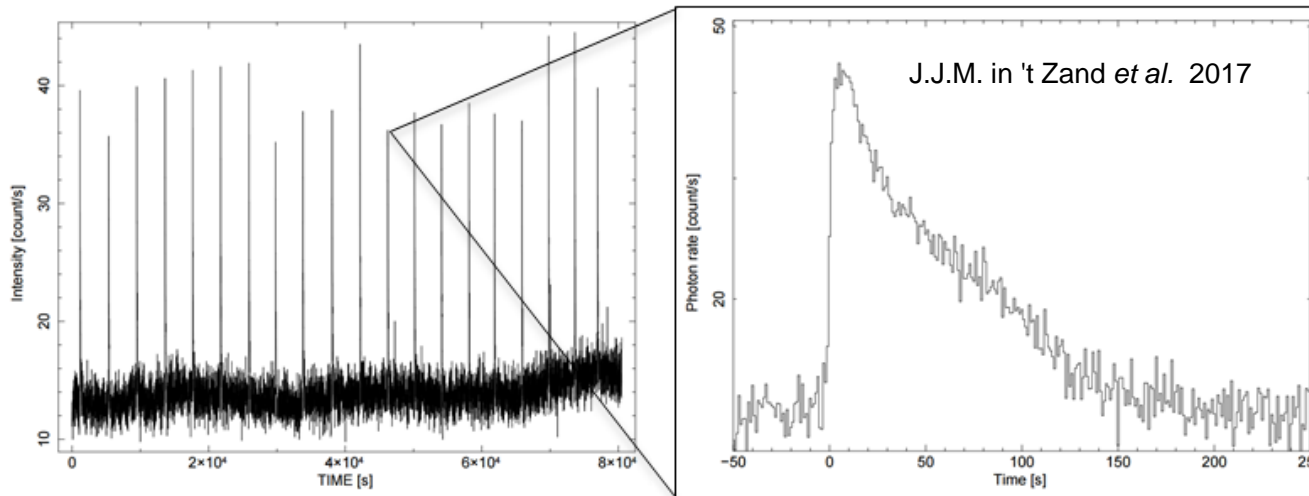
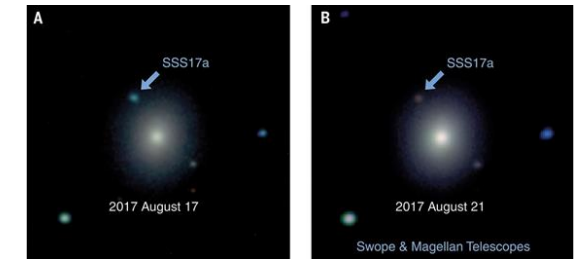


Astrophysical Observables and Origin of Elements

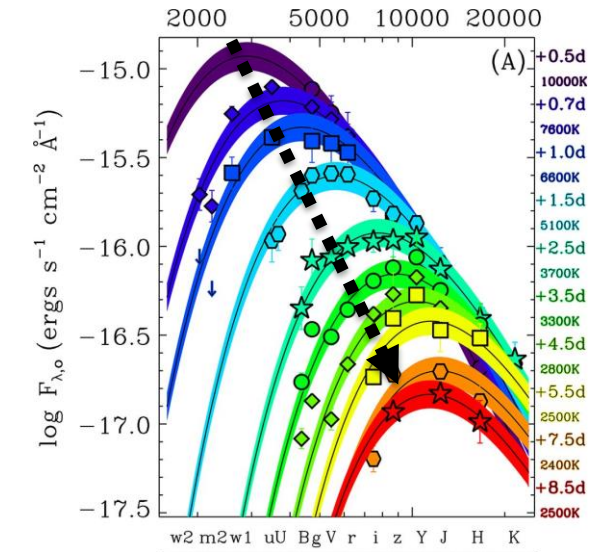


Abundances in metal poor r-stars
J.J. Cowan and C. Sneden, *Nature* 440, 1151 (2006)

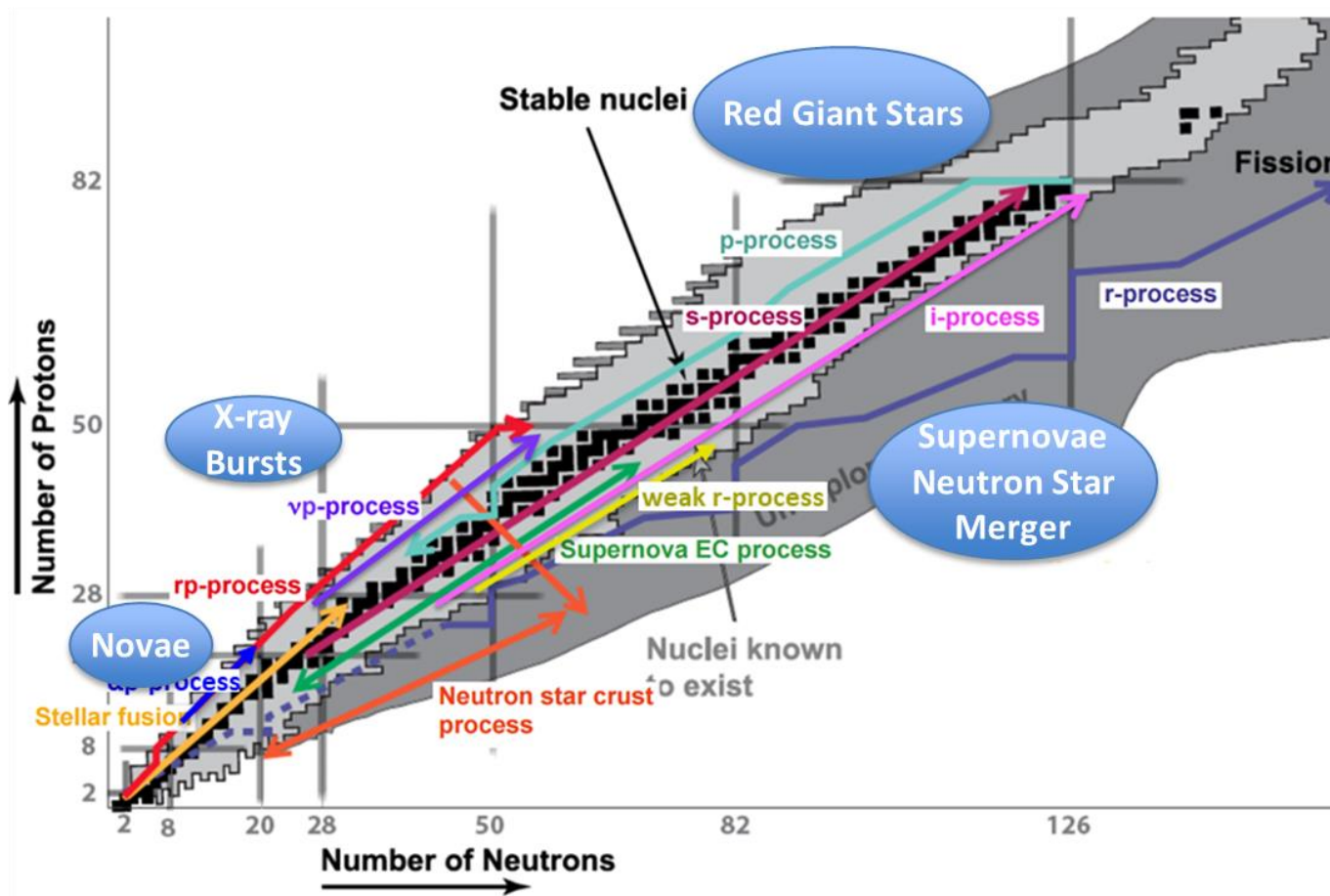
Kilo Nova/GW Observations
Drout *et al.* (2017)



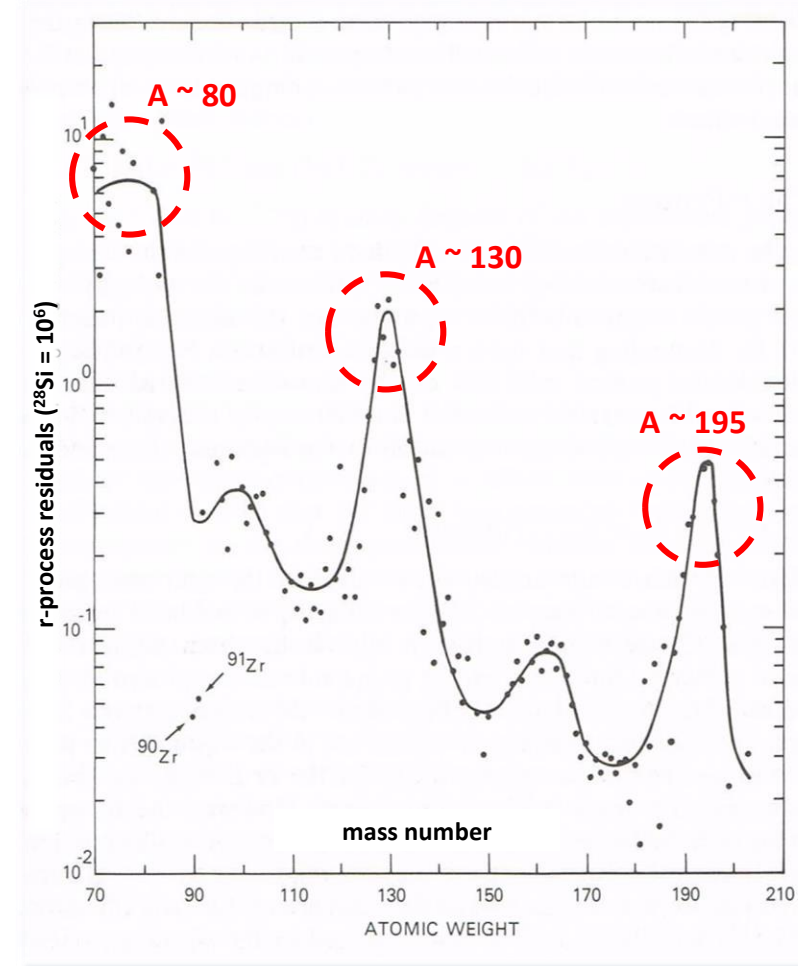
Observed light curves of X-ray burst



Nucleosynthesis Processes



Schematic overview of the nuclear processes on nuclear chart
H. Schatz (2016)

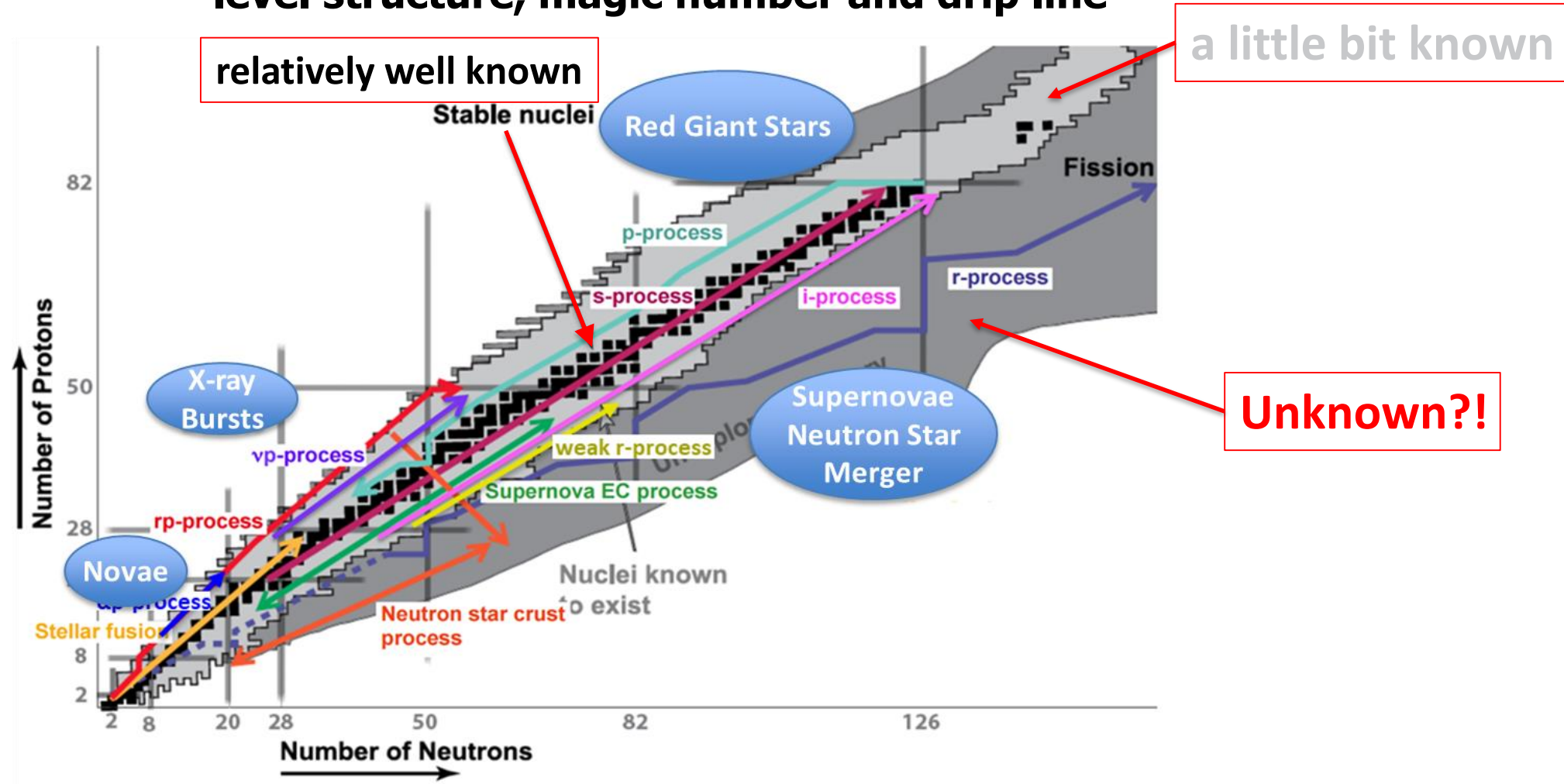


Calculated r-process yields
for solar abundance patterns
F. Kappeler *et al. Rep. Prog. Phys.* 52 945 1989

❖ Nucleosynthesis process can explain the observation.
→ **Nuclear Physics plays an important role!**

What do we need to study?

- ❖ **Properties of Nuclei:** mass, Q-value, $T_{1/2}$, P_n , level densities, reaction rates, level structure, magic number and drip line

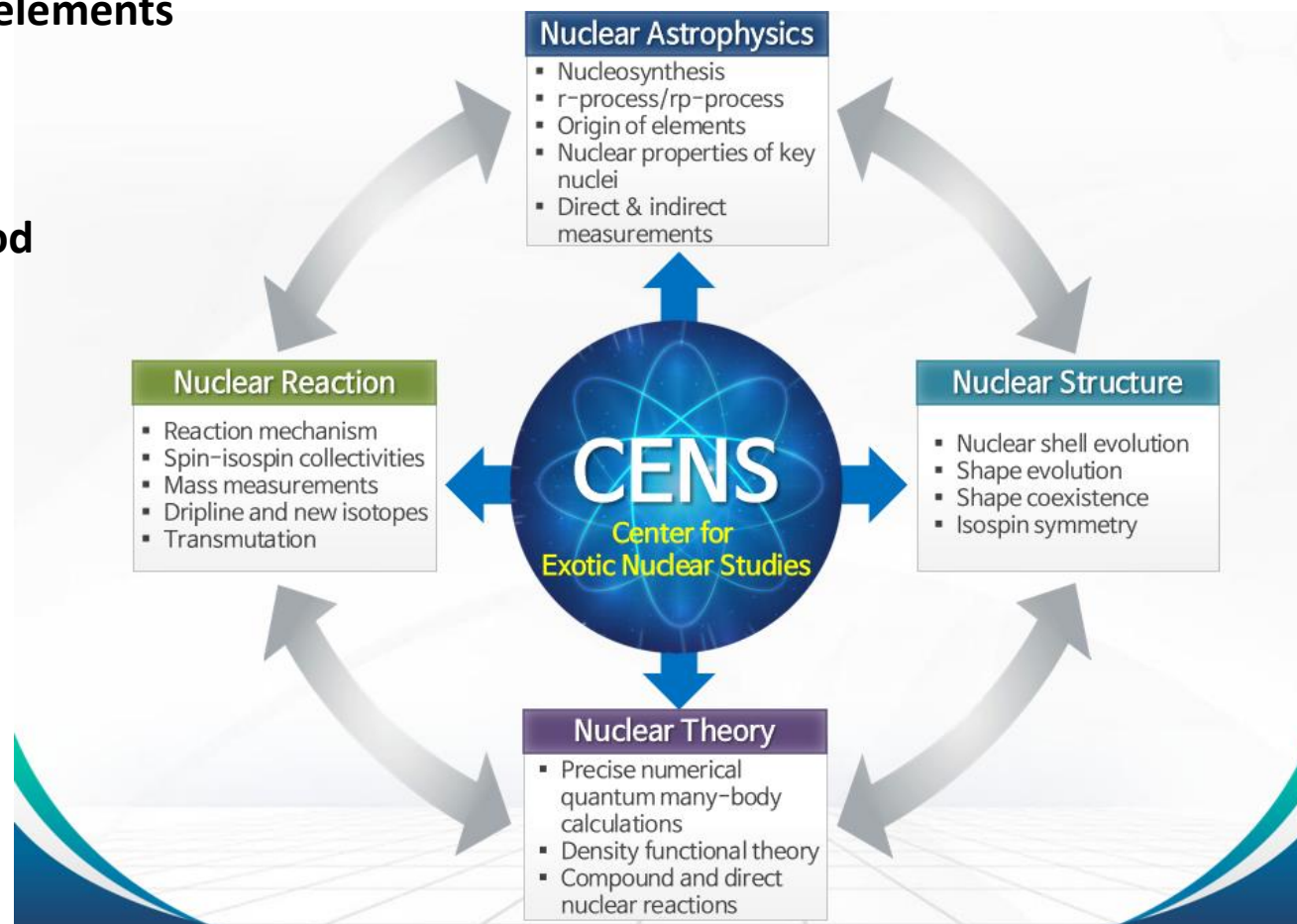
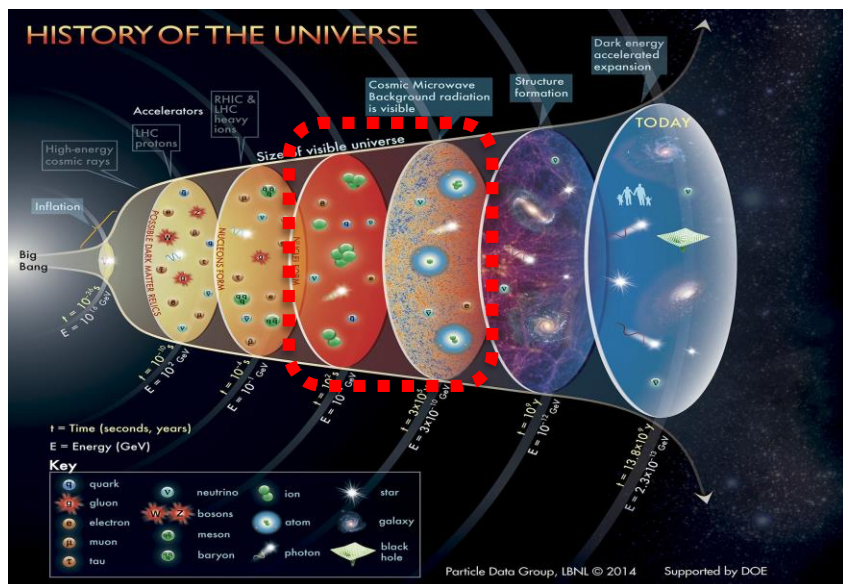


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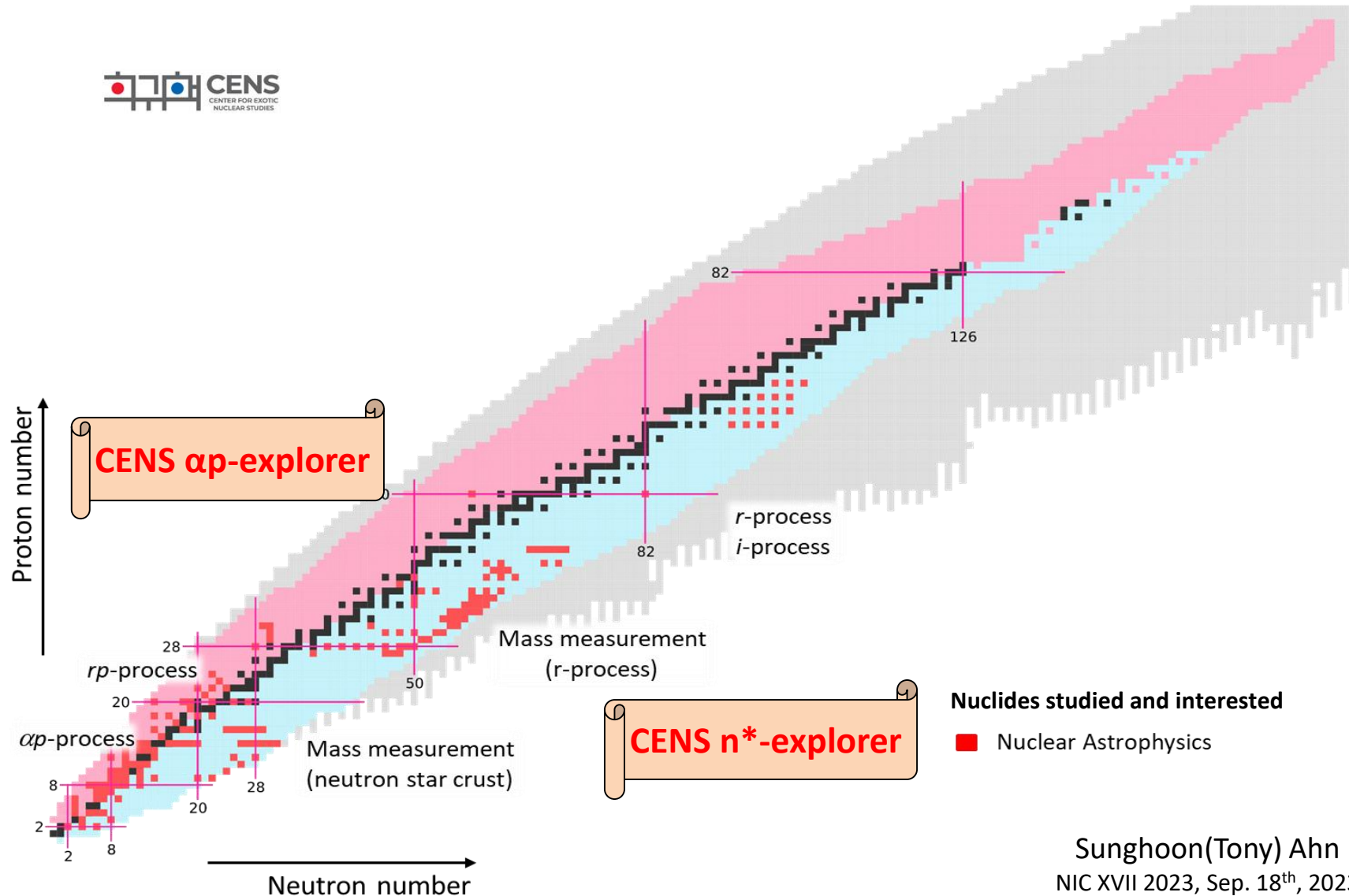
[Nuclear Astrophysics Research Topics]

1. Nucleosynthesis (r-process/rp-process) → Origin of elements
2. Nuclear properties of key nuclei
3. Direct & indirect measurements
4. Interdisciplinary collaborations
5. Research using RAON facility with ISOL and IF method
6. Detector development



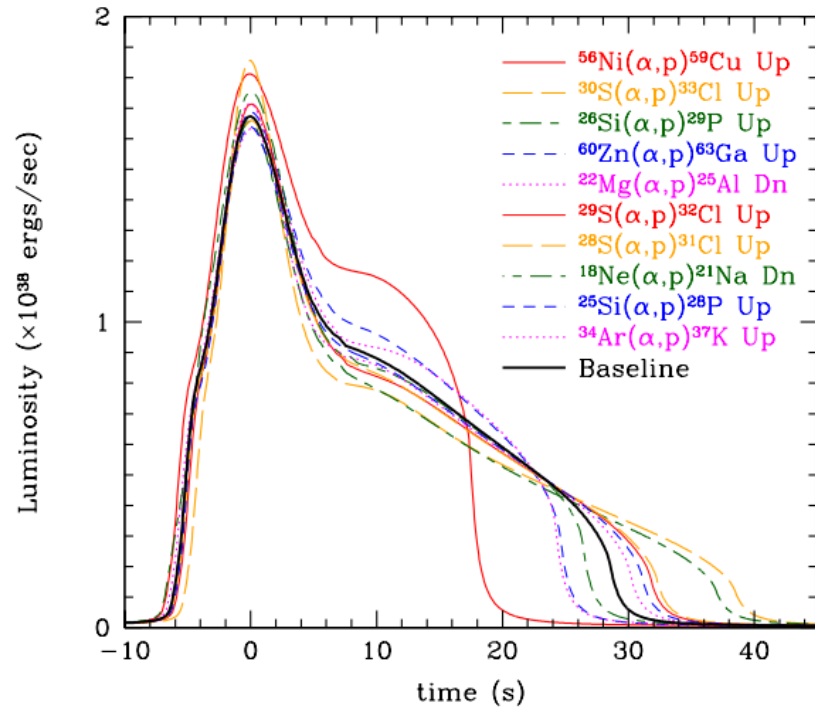
Astrophysically important nuclei on CENS Nuclear Chart

Properties of Nuclei: mass, Q-value, $T_{1/2}$, P_n , level densities, reaction rates, and level structure



Sensitivity Studies on Nuclear Reaction Rates in X-ray burst

- The sensitivity study by R.H. Cyburt *et al.* showed there are important astrophysical reaction rates affecting a large variation of energy generation and final ash in X-ray burst model.
- Limited experimental measurements of (p, γ), (α , γ) and (α ,p) performed to reduce their uncertainties.



| Rank | Reaction | Type ^a | Sensitivity ^b | Category |
|------|---|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1 | ⁵⁶ Ni(α , p) ⁵⁹ Cu Up | U | 12.5 | 1 |
| 2 | ⁵⁹ Cu(p, γ) ⁶⁰ Zn | D | 12.1 | 1 |
| 3 | ¹⁵ O(α , γ) ¹⁹ Ne | D | 7.9 | 1 |
| 4 | ³⁰ S(α , p) ³³ Cl | U | 7.8 | 1 |
| 5 | ²⁶ Si(α , p) ²⁹ P | U | 5.3 | 1 |
| 6 | ⁶¹ Ga(p, γ) ⁶² Ge | D | 5.0 | 1 |
| 7 | ²³ Al(p, γ) ²⁴ Si | U | 4.8 | 1 |
| 8 | ²⁷ P(p, γ) ²⁸ S | D | 4.4 | 1 |
| 9 | ⁶³ Ga(p, γ) ⁶⁴ Ge | D | 3.8 | 1 |
| 10 | ⁶⁰ Zn(α , p) ⁶³ Ga | U | 3.6 | 1 |
| 11 | ²² Mg(α , p) ²⁵ Al | D | 3.5 | 1 |
| 12 | ⁵⁶ Ni(p, γ) ⁵⁷ Cu | D | 3.4 | 1 |
| 13 | ²⁹ S(α , p) ³² Cl | U | 2.8 | 1 |
| 14 | ²⁸ S(α , p) ³¹ Cl | U | 2.7 | 1 |
| 15 | ³¹ Cl(p, γ) ³² Ar | U | 2.7 | 1 |
| 16 | ³⁵ K(p, γ) ³⁶ Ca | U | 2.5 | 2 |
| 17 | ¹⁸ Ne(α , p) ²¹ Na | D | 2.3 | 2 |
| 18 | ²⁵ Si(α , p) ²⁸ P | U | 1.9 | 2 |
| 19 | ⁵⁷ Cu(p, γ) ⁵⁸ Zn | D | 1.7 | 2 |
| 20 | ³⁴ Ar(α , p) ³⁷ K | U | 1.6 | 3 |
| 21 | ²⁴ Si(α , p) ²⁷ P | U | 1.4 | 3 |
| 22 | ²² Mg(p, γ) ²³ Al | D | 1.1 | 3 |
| 23 | ⁶⁵ As(p, γ) ⁶⁶ Se | U | 1.0 | 3 |
| 24 | ¹⁴ O(α , p) ¹⁷ F | U | 1.0 | 3 |
| 25 | ⁴⁰ Sc(p, γ) ⁴¹ Ti | D | 0.9 | 3 |
| 26 | ³⁴ Ar(p, γ) ³⁵ K | D | 0.8 | 3 |
| 27 | ⁴⁷ Mn(p, γ) ⁴⁸ Fe | D | 0.8 | 3 |
| 28 | ³⁹ Ca(p, γ) ⁴⁰ Sc | D | 0.8 | 3 |

| Rank | Reaction | Type ^a | Sensitivity ^b | Category |
|------|--|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1 | ¹⁵ O(α , γ) ¹⁹ Ne | D | 16 | 1 |
| 2 | ⁵⁶ Ni(α , p) ⁵⁹ Cu | U | 6.4 | 1 |
| 3 | ⁵⁹ Cu(p, γ) ⁶⁰ Zn | D | 5.1 | 1 |
| 4 | ⁶¹ Ga(p, γ) ⁶² Ge | D | 3.7 | 1 |
| 5 | ²² Mg(α , p) ²⁵ Al | D | 2.3 | 1 |
| 6 | ¹⁴ O(α , p) ¹⁷ F | D | 5.8 | 1 |
| 7 | ²³ Al(p, γ) ²⁴ Si | U | 4.6 | 1 |
| 8 | ¹⁸ Ne(α , p) ²¹ Na | U | 1.8 | 1 |
| 9 | ⁶³ Ga(p, γ) ⁶⁴ Ge | D | 1.4 | 2 |
| 10 | ¹⁹ F(p, α) ¹⁶ O | U | 1.3 | 2 |
| 11 | ¹² C(α , γ) ¹⁶ O | U | 2.1 | 2 |
| 12 | ²⁶ Si(α , p) ²⁹ P | U | 1.8 | 2 |
| 13 | ¹⁷ F(α , p) ²⁰ Ne | U | 3.5 | 2 |
| 14 | ²⁴ Mg(α , γ) ²⁸ Si | U | 1.2 | 2 |
| 15 | ⁵⁷ Cu(p, γ) ⁵⁸ Zn | D | 1.3 | 2 |
| 16 | ⁶⁰ Zn(α , p) ⁶³ Ga | U | 1.1 | 2 |
| 17 | ¹⁷ F(p, γ) ¹⁸ Ne | U | 1.7 | 2 |
| 18 | ⁴⁰ Sc(p, γ) ⁴¹ Ti | D | 1.1 | 2 |
| 19 | ⁴⁸ Cr(p, γ) ⁴⁹ Mn | D | 1.2 | 2 |

(Left) Calculated light curves of X-ray burst

(Middle) Reactions that impact the burst light curve in the single-zone X-ray burst model

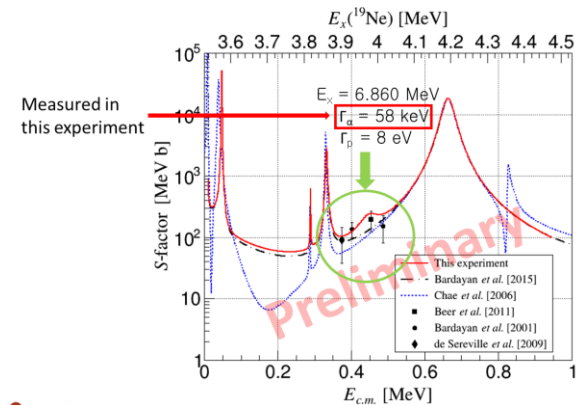
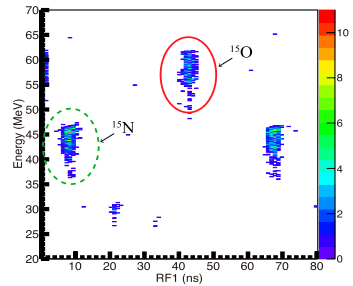
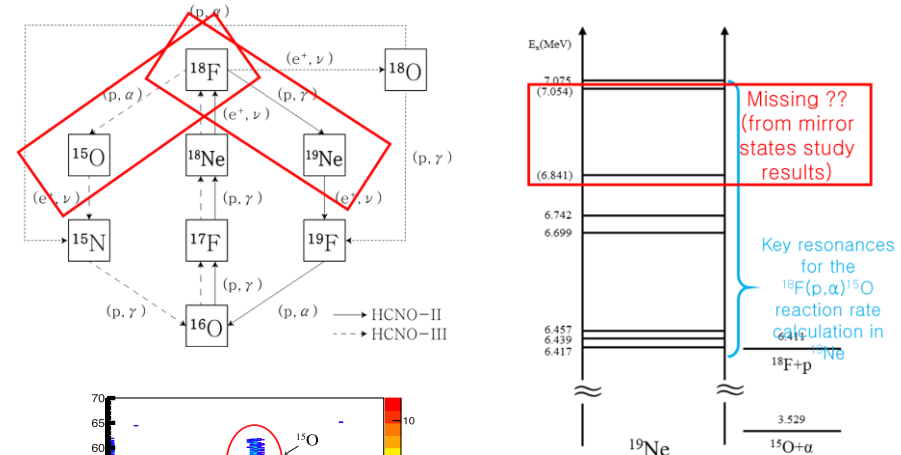
(Right) Reactions that impact the burst light curve in the multi-zone X-ray burst model

R. H. Cyburt *et al.* ApJ 830:55 (2016)

Indirect measurements of $(p,\alpha)/(a,p)$ reaction cross section

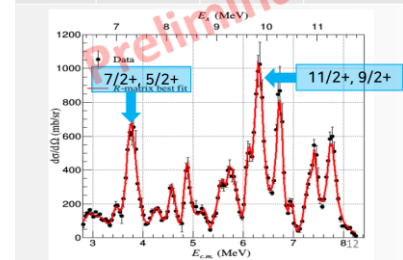
[$^{15}\text{O}+\alpha$ elastic resonance scattering]

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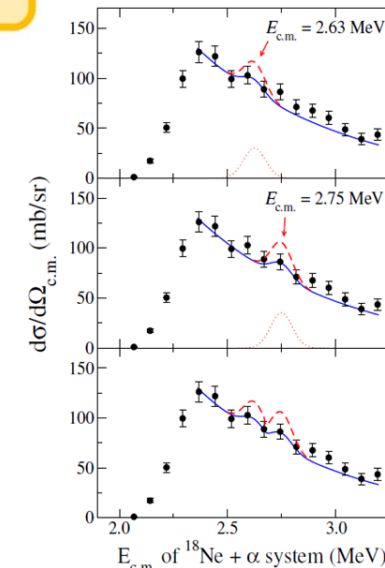
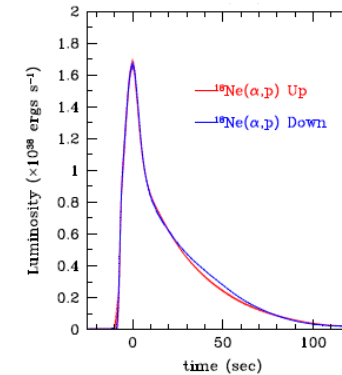
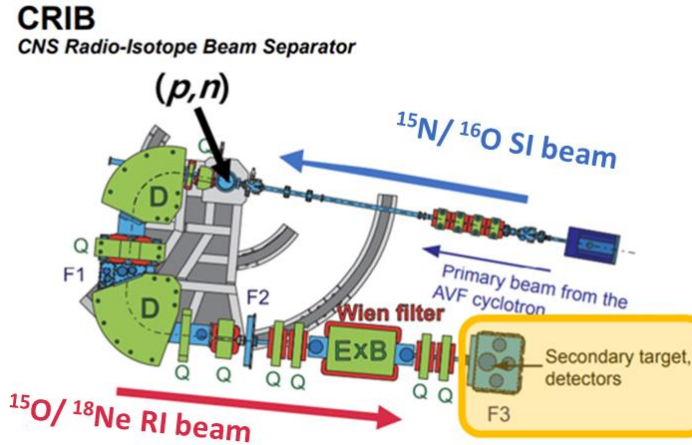
❖ Resonance parameters of alpha cluster state candidates from this experiment ($\theta^2 > 0.1$): alpha cluster state

| E_x | J^π | Γ_α (keV) | θ^2 |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 7.320(8) | (7/2 ⁺) | 130(3) | 0.67 |
| 7.420(8) | (5/2 ⁺) | 196(4) | 0.89 |
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| 9.880(4) | (9/2 ⁺) | 133(5) | 0.53 |

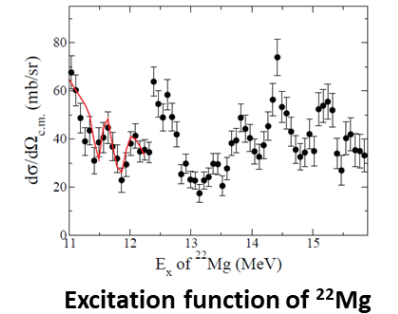
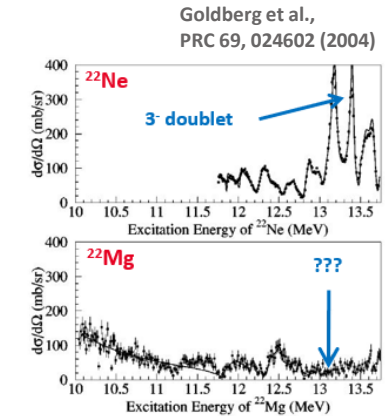


[$^{18}\text{Ne}+\alpha$ elastic resonance scattering]

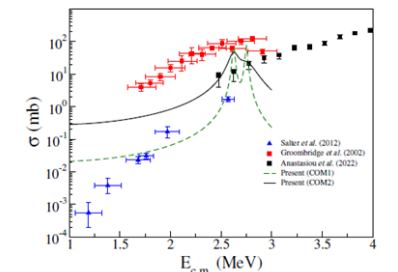
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upper limit of the $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha,\alpha)^{18}\text{Ne}$ cross section



Excitation function of ^{22}Mg

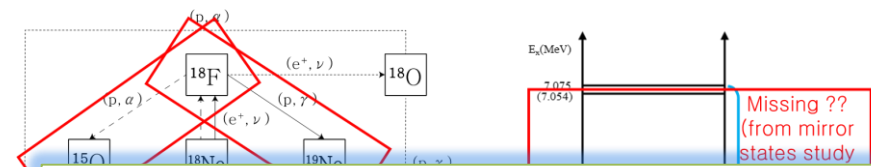


astrophysically-important $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha,p)^{18}\text{Ne}$ cross section

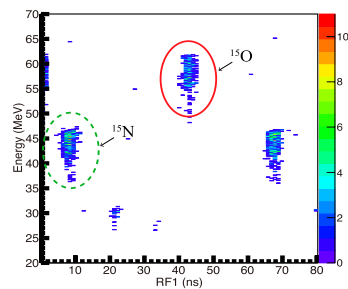
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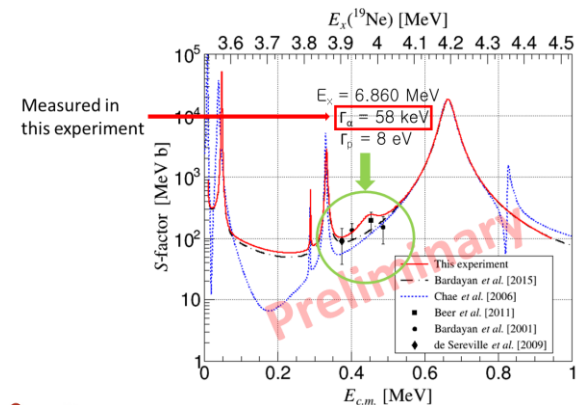
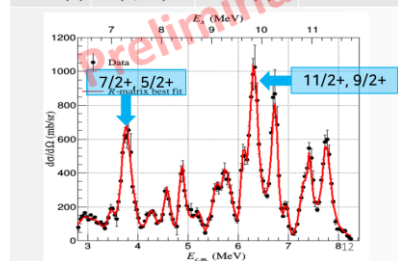


[Session 11.2 – Nuclear properties for astrophysics] 2:45 PM - 3:00 PM by Dahee Kim



❖ Resonance parameters of alpha cluster state candidates from this experiment
($\theta^2 > 0.1$): alpha cluster state

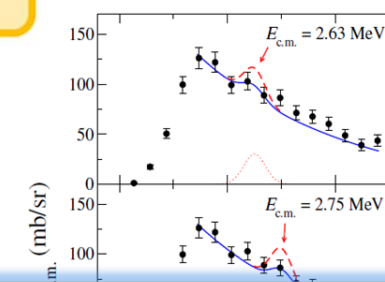
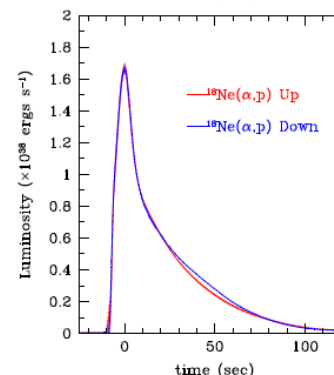
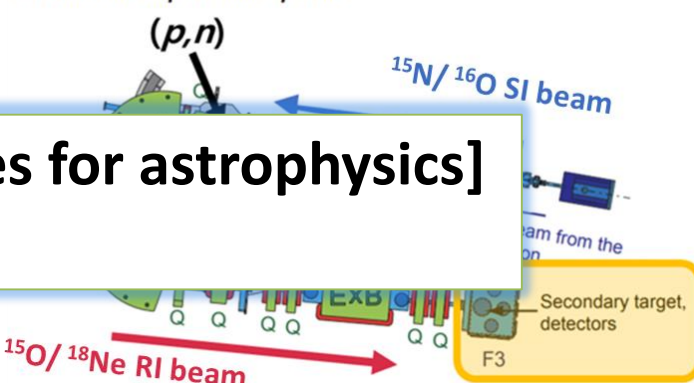
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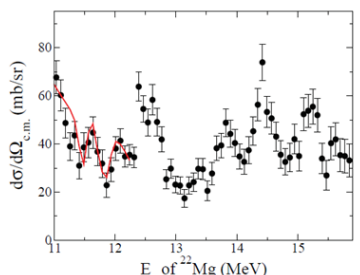
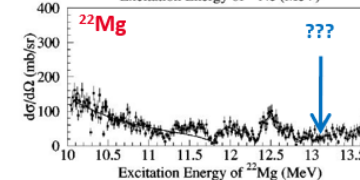
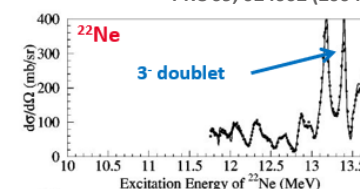
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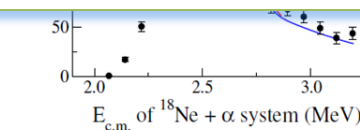


Goldberg *et al.*,
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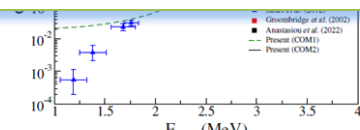


Excitation function of ^{22}Mg

[Session 11.1 – Nuclear properties for astrophysics] 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM by Soomi Cha



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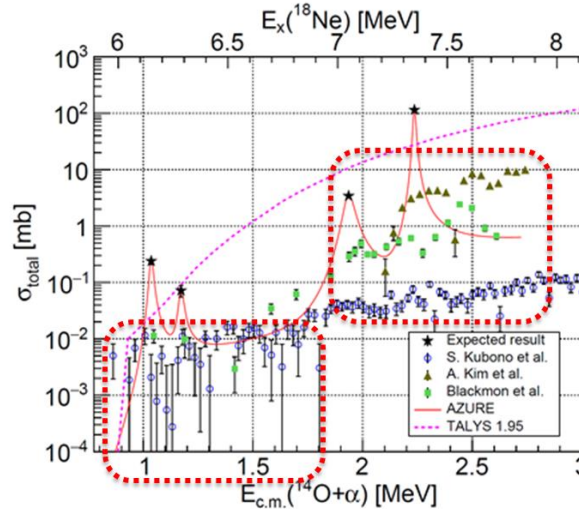
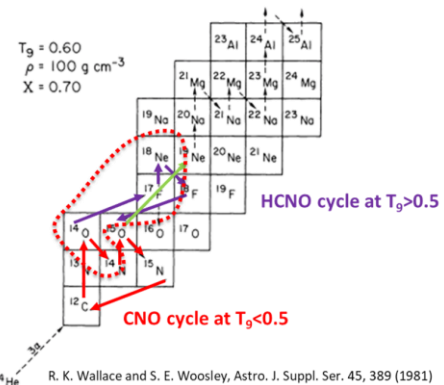
Direct measurement of $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ cross section at CRIB

- “A direct measurement of the $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ reaction with the Texas Active Target detector” approved by RIKEN PAC (2020)
- Beam time was very hard to get due to the Covid-19. We performed the experiment on Mar. 2023.

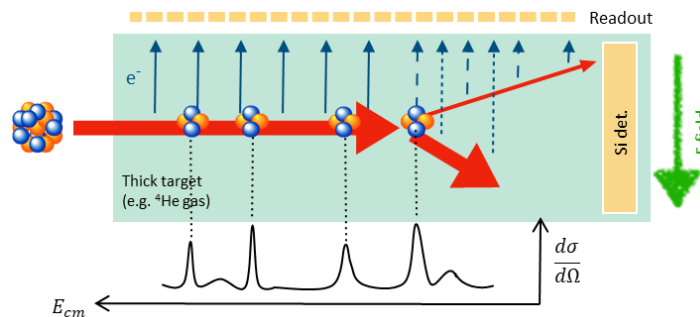
R. H. Cyburt *et al.* 2016

| Rank | Reaction | Type | Sensitivity |
|------|--|------|-------------|
| 1 | $^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$ | D | 16 |
| 2 | $^{56}\text{Ni}(\alpha, p)^{59}\text{Cu}$ | U | 6.4 |
| 3 | $^{59}\text{Cu}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{60}\text{Zn}$ | D | 5.1 |
| 4 | $^{61}\text{Ga}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{62}\text{Ge}$ | D | 3.7 |
| 5 | $^{22}\text{Mg}(\alpha, p)^{25}\text{Al}$ | D | 2.3 |
| 6 | $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ | D | 5.8 |
| 7 | $^{23}\text{Al}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{24}\text{Si}$ | D | 4.6 |
| 8 | $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$ | U | 1.8 |
| 9 | $^{63}\text{Ga}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{64}\text{Ge}$ | D | 1.4 |
| 10 | $^{19}\text{F}(\text{p}, \alpha)^{16}\text{O}$ | U | 1.3 |

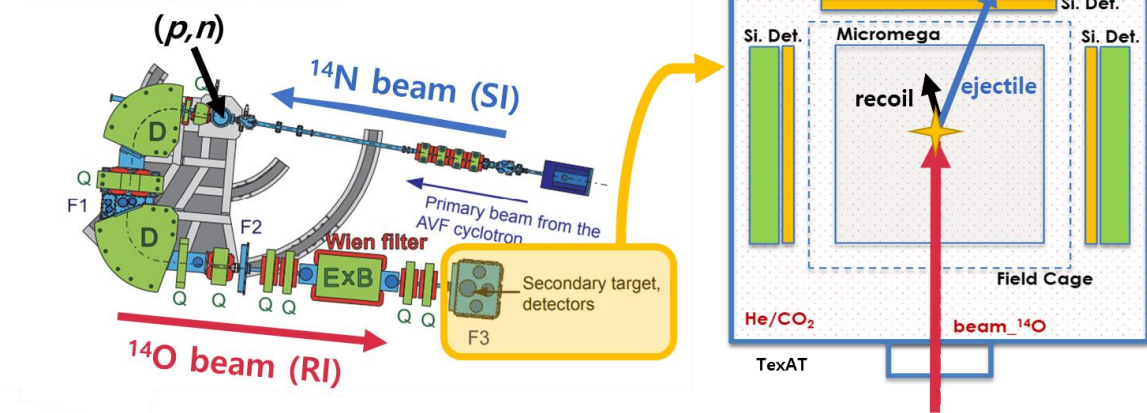
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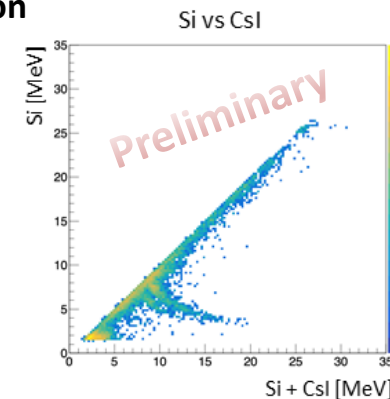
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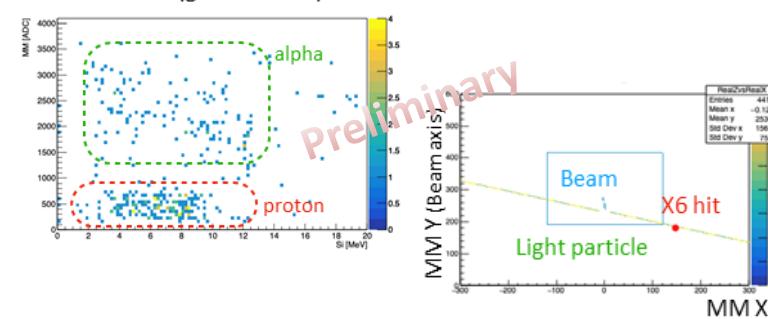
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more than 40 participants!



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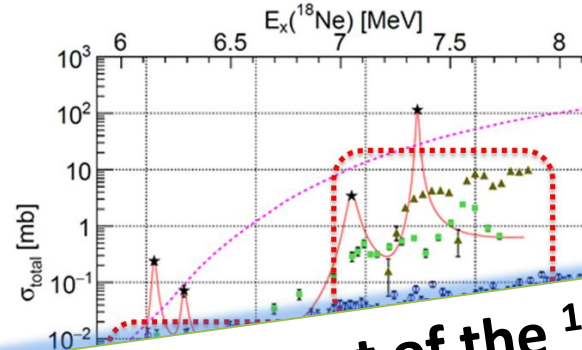
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Direct measurement of $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ cross section at CRIB

- “A direct measurement of the $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ reaction with the Texas Active Target detector” approved by RIKEN PAC (2020)
- Beam time is currently very hard to get due to the Covid-19. We performed the experiment on Mar. 2023.

R. H. Cyburt *et al.* 2016

| Rank | Reaction | Type | Sensitivity |
|------|--|------|-------------|
| 1 | $^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$ | D | 16 |
| 2 | $^{56}\text{Ni}(\alpha, p)^{59}\text{Cu}$ | U | 6.4 |
| 3 | $^{59}\text{Cu}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{60}\text{Zn}$ | D | 5.1 |
| 4 | $^{61}\text{Ga}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{62}\text{Ge}$ | D | 3.7 |
| 5 | $^{22}\text{Mg}(\alpha, p)^{25}\text{Al}$ | D | 2.3 |
| 6 | $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ | D | 5.8 |
| 7 | $^{23}\text{Al}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{24}\text{Si}$ | D | 4.6 |
| 8 | $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$ | U | 1.8 |
| 9 | $^{63}\text{Ga}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{64}\text{Ge}$ | D | 1.4 |
| 10 | $^{19}\text{F}(\text{p}, \alpha)^{16}\text{O}$ | U | 1.3 |



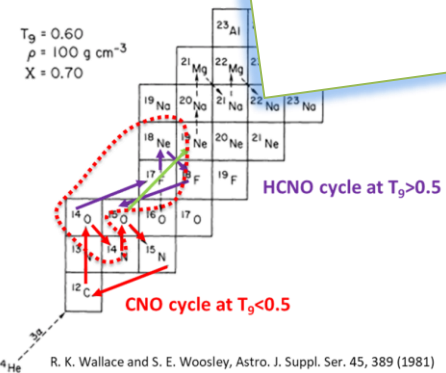
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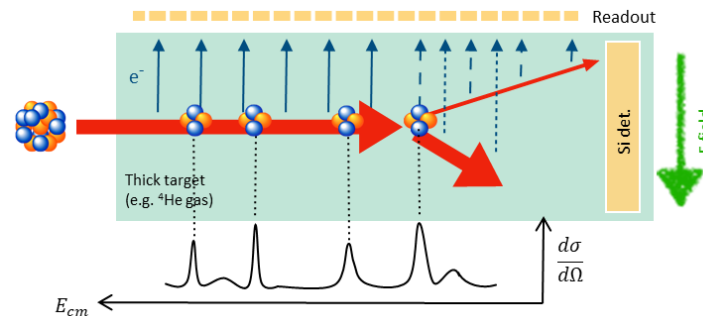
^{14}N beam (SI)

P-70 “Direct Measurement of the $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ Cross Section” by Chaeyeon Park

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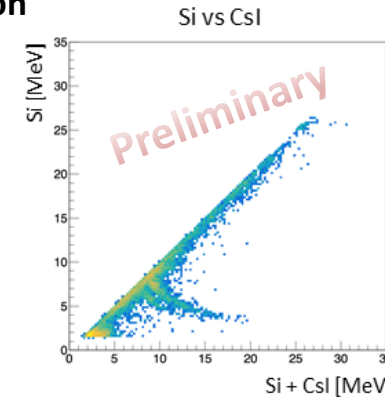


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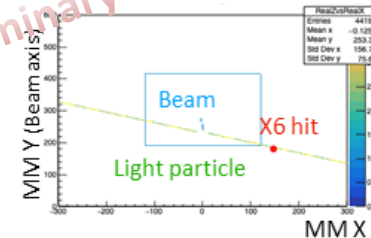
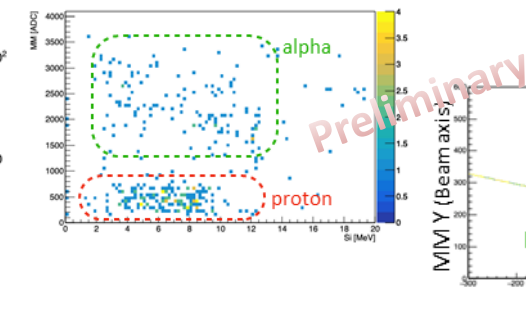


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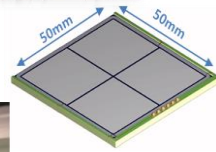
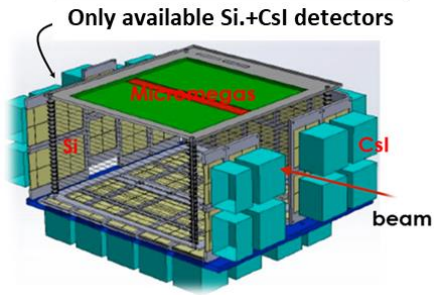
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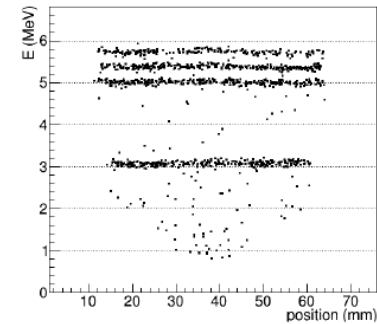
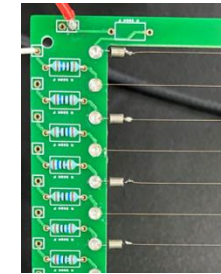
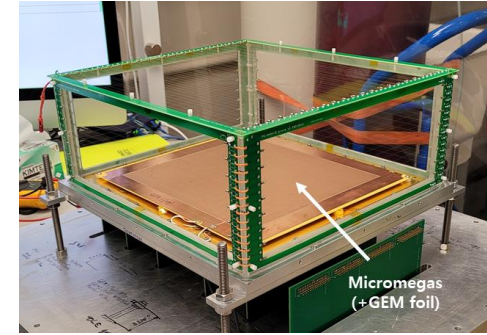
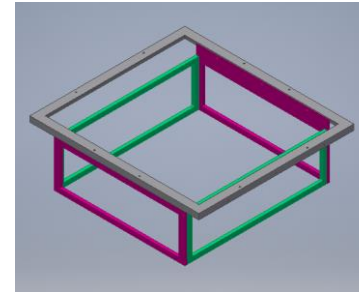
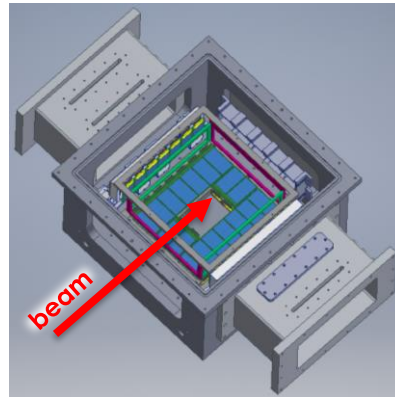
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Development of TexAT_v2

- Goals: high beam rate (10^5 pps), large solid angle coverage, high energy and position resolution
- A new field cage built and tested at TAMU: PCB, 50 μ m tungsten wire and 100M Ω resistors
- High beam rate test: $^{14}\text{N}(\alpha, \alpha)$ data with 5×10^5 pps beams taken at TAMU

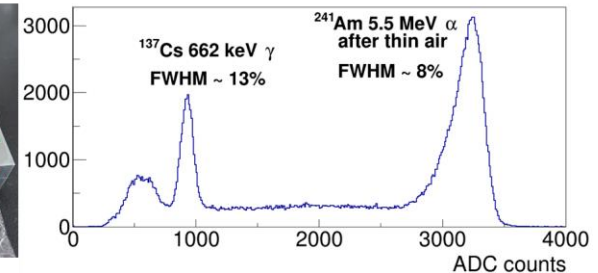


- ✓ Additional Si. Detectors
→ Efficiency increased by a factor of 4.
- ✓ CsI+PIN_diode replaced by CsI+MPPC
→ enhanced energy resolution (6%).



- ✓ E. Koshchiy *et al.*, NIMA **957** (2020) 163398.
- ✓ J. Bishop *et al.*, JPCS **1308** (2019) 012006.
- ✓ J. Hooker *et al.*, PRC **100** (2019) 054618.
- ✓ M. Barbui *et al.*, PRCI (2020).
- ✓ J. C. Zamora *et al.*, PLB **816** (2021) 136256.
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- D. Kim *et al.*, **540** NIMB (2023) 30.
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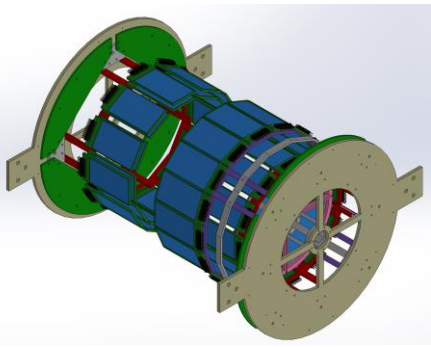
CENS n*-explorer Project

- Objective:
 1. direct measurements of neutron transfer reaction cross sections which are important for i-process and r-process
 2. Mass measurement which are important for r-process
 3. Direct measurements of (α, n) reaction cross sections which are important for weak r-process
- Methods:
 1. (d, p) reaction in inverse kinematics using solid target with STARK or ORRUBA
 2. New mass measurement using Bp Time-of-Flight method
 3. (α, n) Thick Target in Inverse Kinematics (TTIK) using MUSIC, neutron detector, SECAR or AToM-X

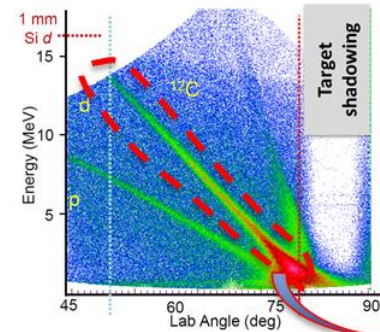
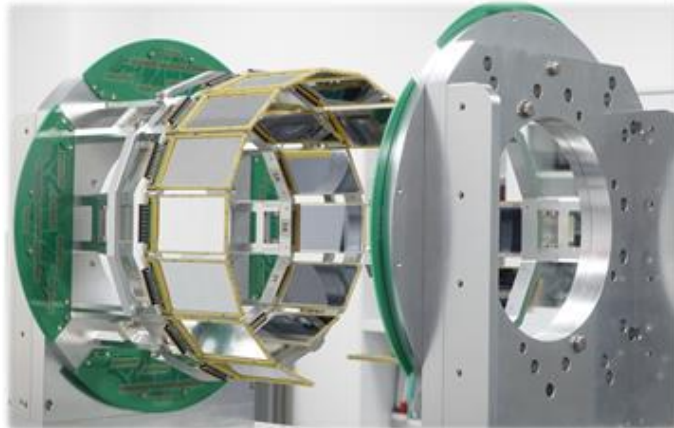
- **Sensitivity Study #1. “r-process”, AIP Advances 4, 041008 (2014) by R. Surman *et al.***
 - ✓ No studies for light particles ($Z=30\sim 40$) yet.
 - ✓ (n, γ) reaction rates with stable beams near the interest region.
 - (d, p) or $(d, p\gamma)$ reaction cross sectionss for (n, γ) reactions
 - (d, d) reactions for d-OMP studies
 - ✓ Masses around $Z=30\sim 40$ and $N=50\sim 60$
- **Sensitivity Study #2. “s-process reaction flow”, Data Nucl. Data Tables, 108, 1 (2016) by A. Koloczek *et al.***
 - ✓ (d, p) or $(d, p\gamma)$ reactions for (n, γ) reactions: ^{56}Fe , ^{58}Fe , ^{64}Ni and ^{22}Ne
- **Sensitivity Study #3. “i-process reaction flow”, PhD. Thesis (2015) by Hampel *et al.***
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Development of STARK silicon detector array

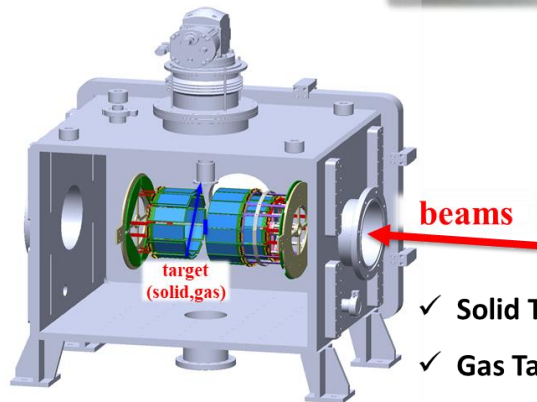
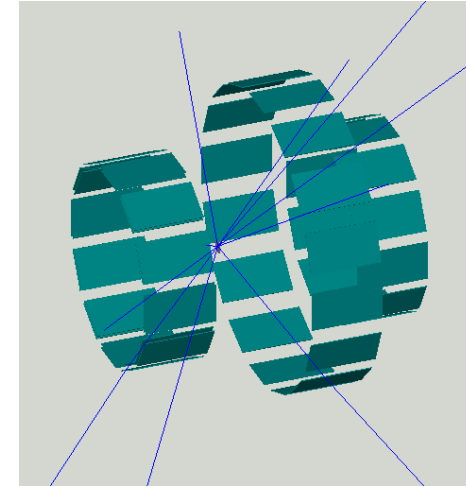
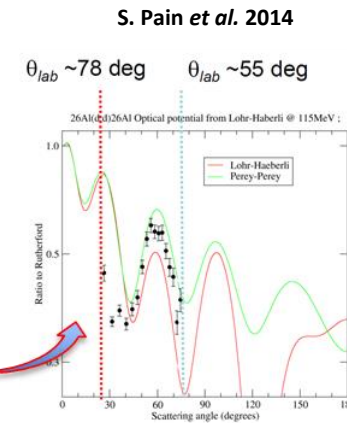
- STARK: Silicon Telescope Array for Reactions in inverse Kinematics
 - Three rings with 12-16-12 polygons. 96-116-107 mm from the center of the target
 - Scattering chamber: 580(X) x 400(Y) x 600(Z) mm³
 - CryoSTAR compatible
 - To do: Vacuum test and Commissioning
- (α, p) reaction studies, transfer reaction studies, OMP studies



Conceptual Design of STARK

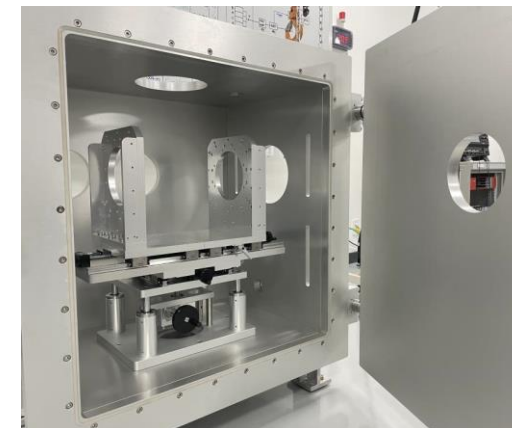


$^{26}\text{Al}(d,d)$ kinematics plot



- ✓ Solid Targets: CH_2 , CD_2
- ✓ Gas Targets: H_2 , D_2 , ^4He , ^3He , N_2

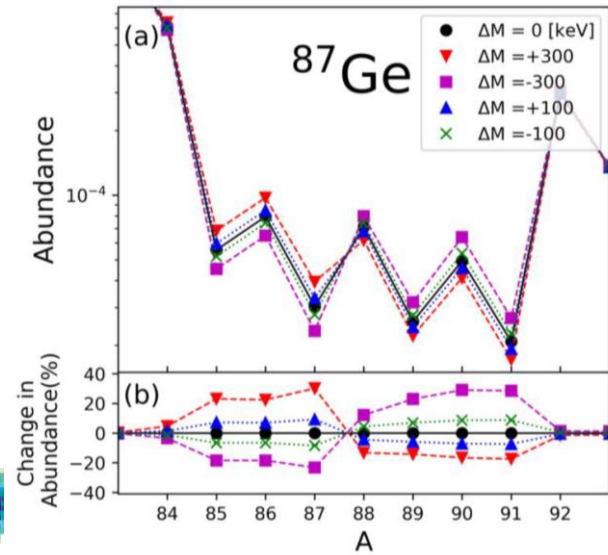
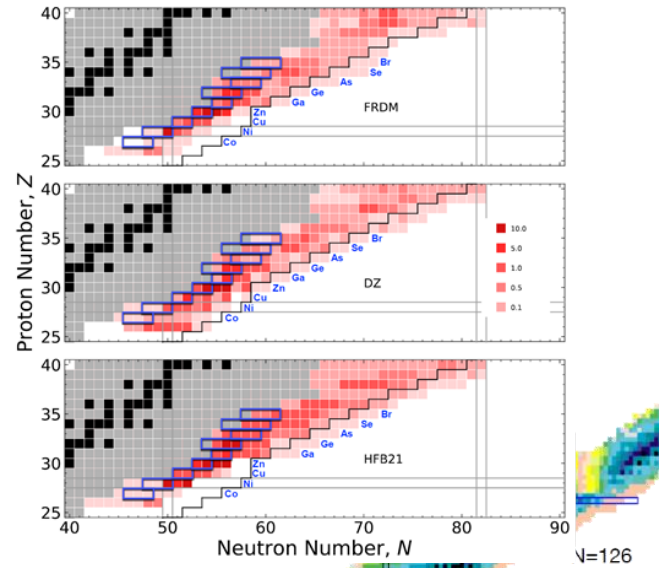
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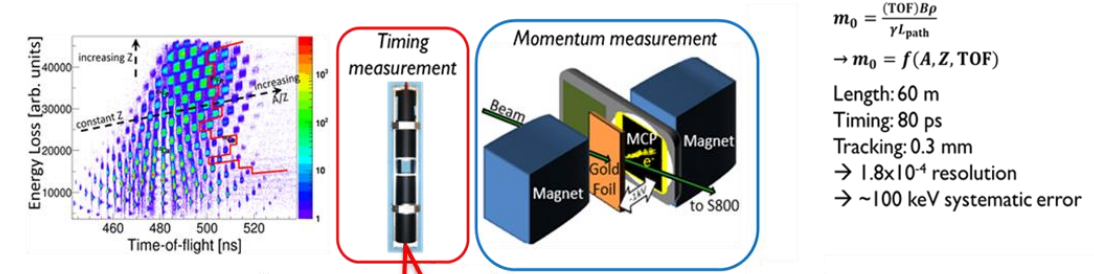
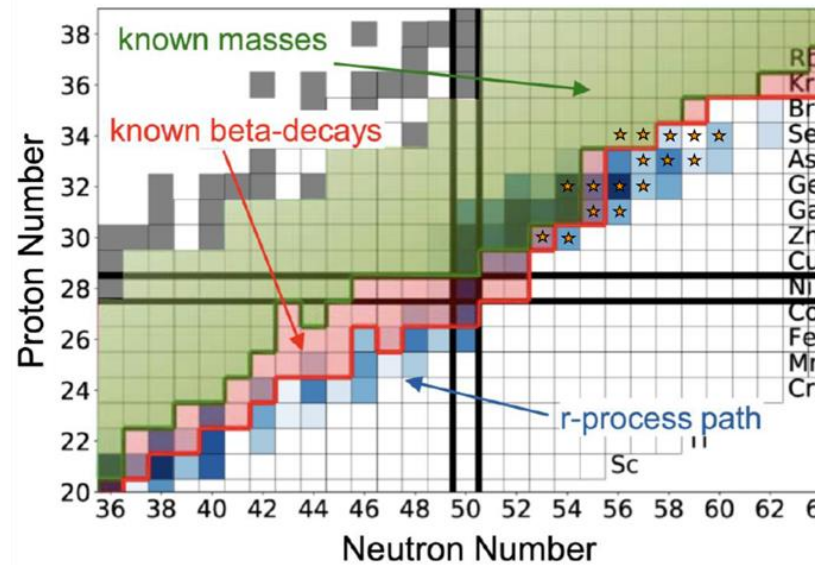
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Nuclei that significantly impact final r-process abundances
Mumpower *et al.* (2016)



Proposed by Z. Korkulu

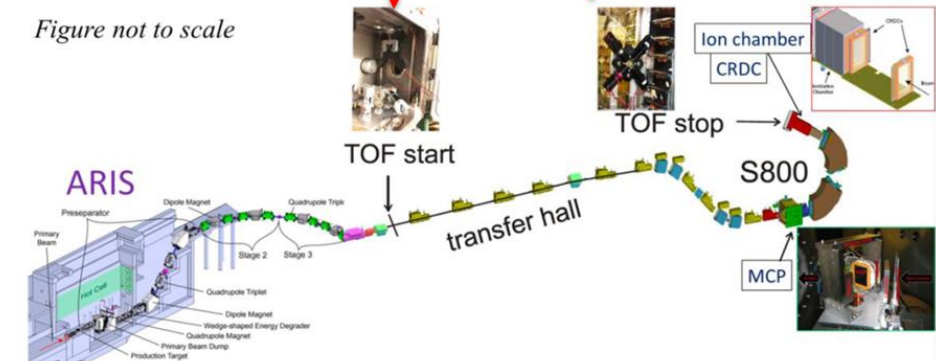


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$$\rightarrow m_0 = f(A, Z, TOF)$$

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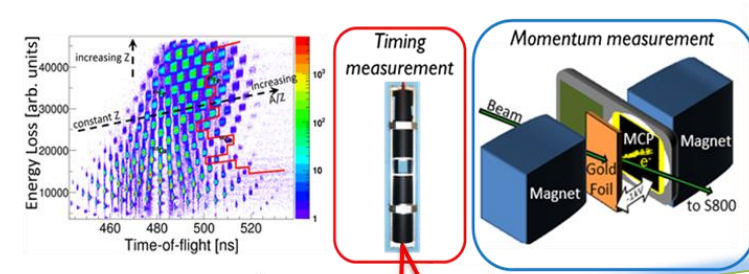
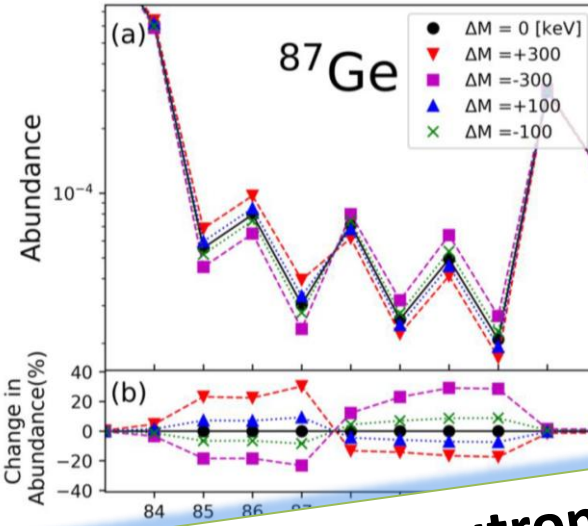
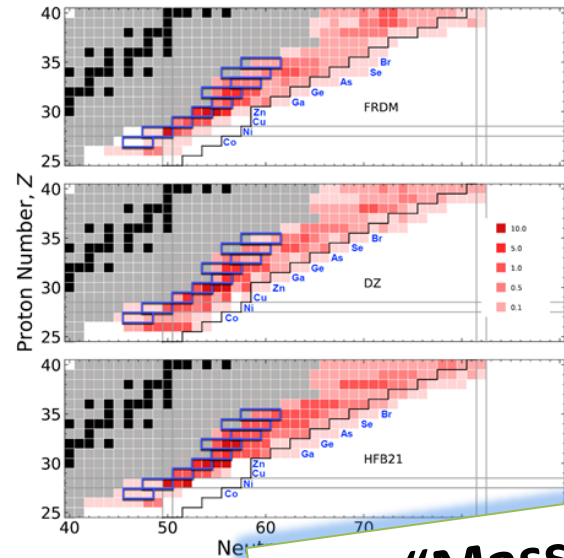
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P-60 "Mass measurements of neutron-rich nuclei along the r-process path using Bp-TOF method" by Zeren Korkulu

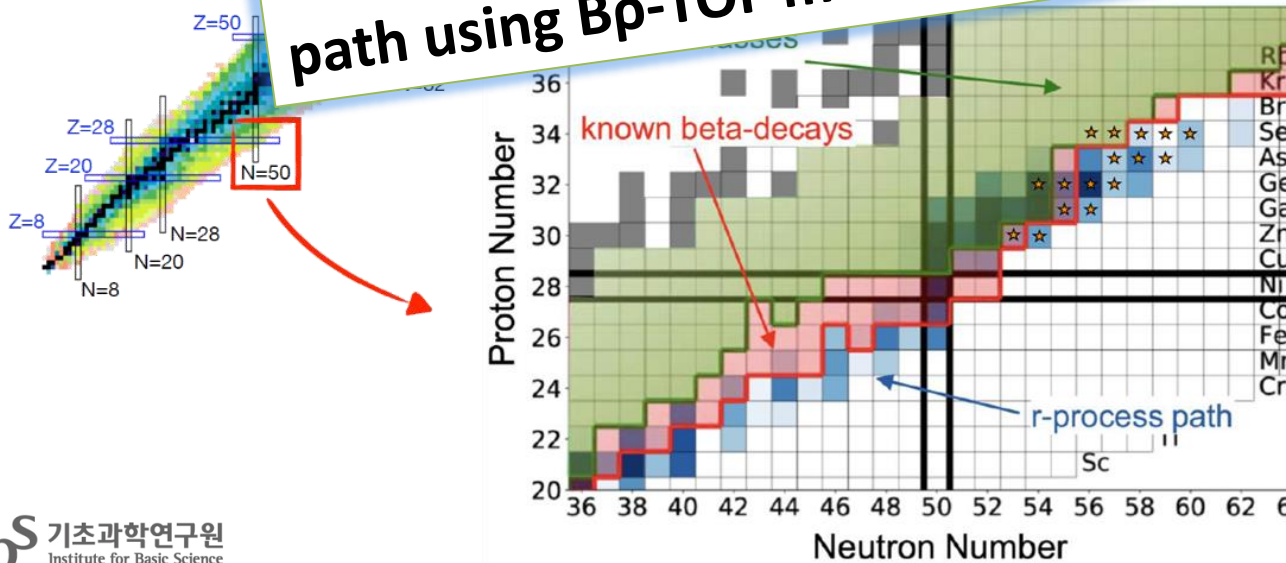
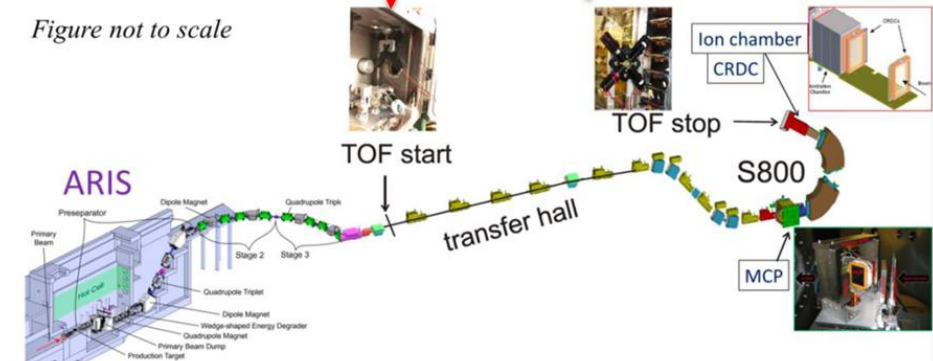


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Spectroscopic properties of low-lying states using IDATEN

IDATEN: International Detector Assembly for fast-Timing measurements of Exotic Nuclei

- Array of 84 $\text{LaBr}_3(\text{Ce})$ detectors
- Collaboration among FATIMA (36), KHALA (36) and SNU (12)
- Construction Proposal approved by RIKEN RIBF PAC22 (2021)
- 3 IDATEN proposals accepted in RIKEN RIBF PAC23 (2022)
- Electronics system development in progress (2023)
- Commissioning experiment planned on 2024

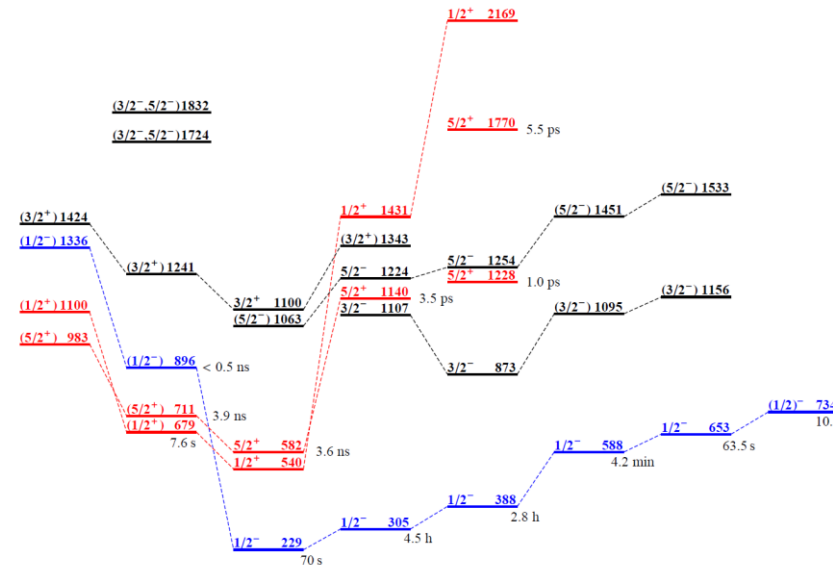
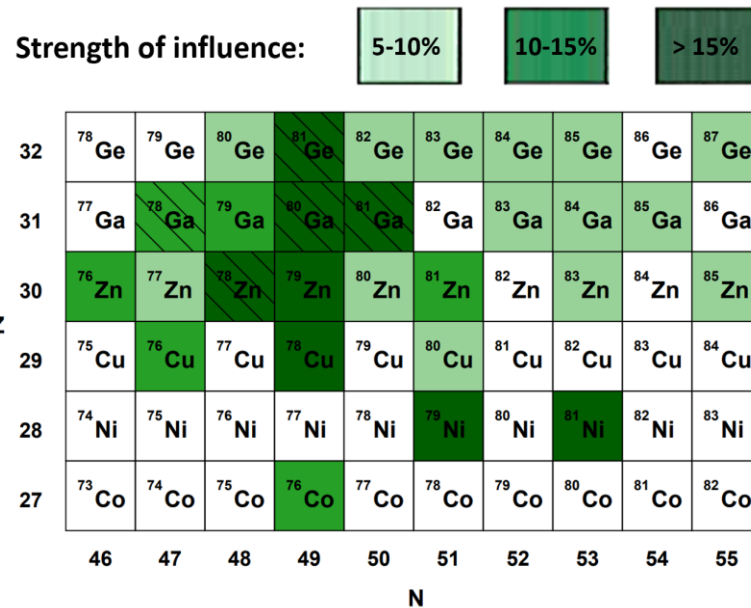


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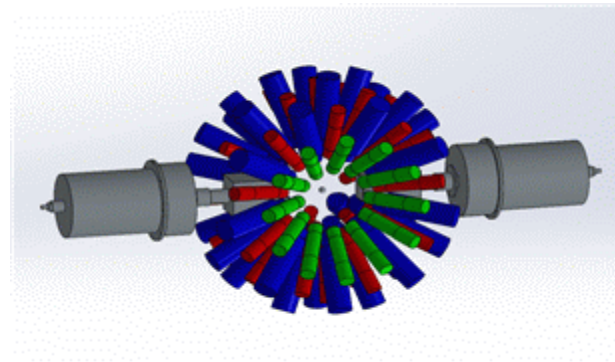
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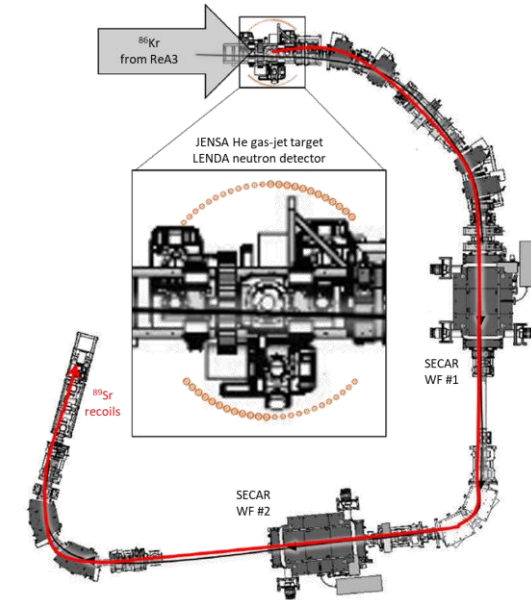


IDATEN Conceptual Design

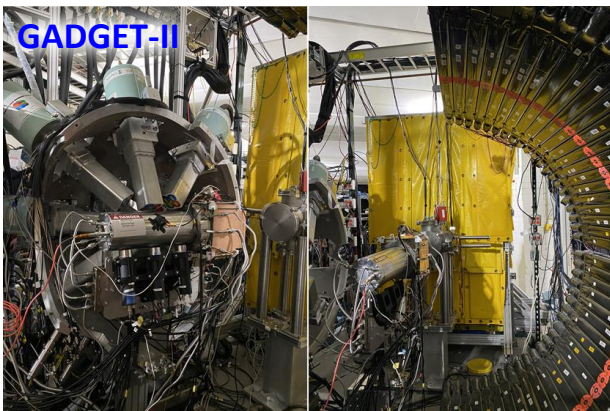


Research Collaborations at FRIB

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 - JENSA gas-jet target and the superORRUBA silicon detector array
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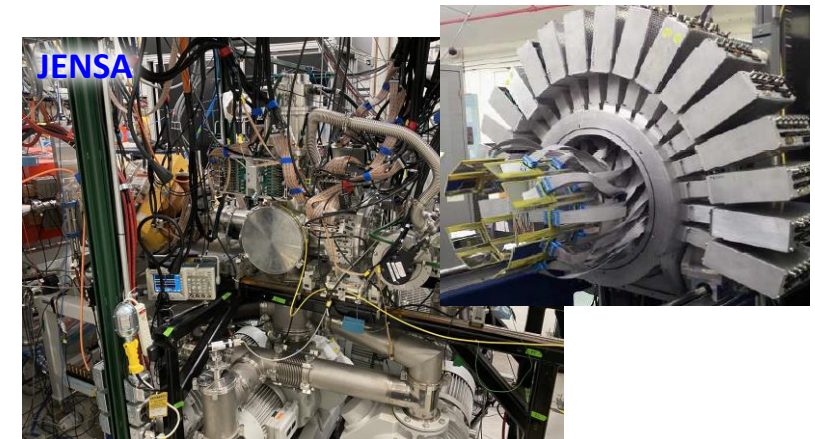
SECAR beamline



GADGET-II



MUSIC & LENDA



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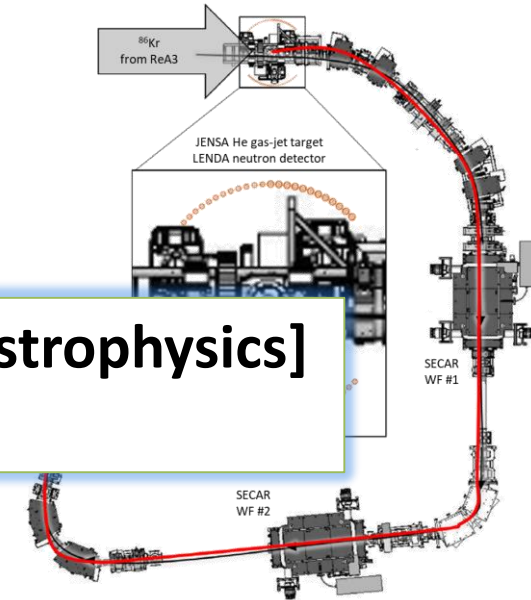
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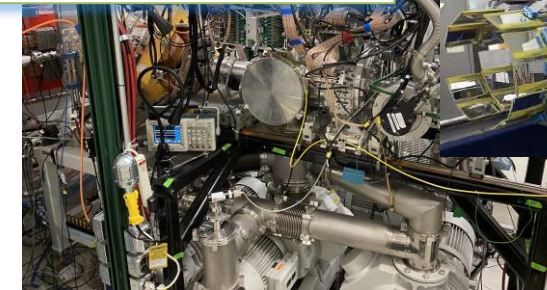
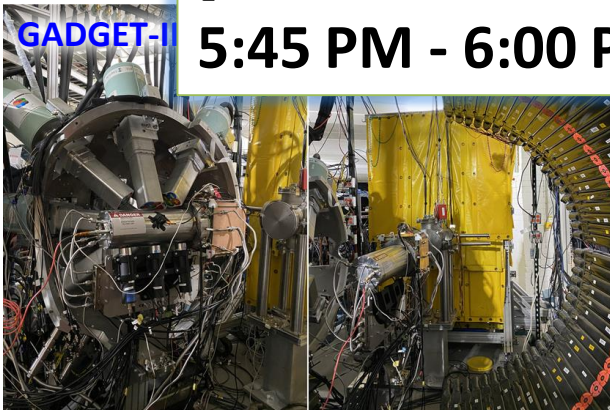
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SECAR beamline

GADGET-II

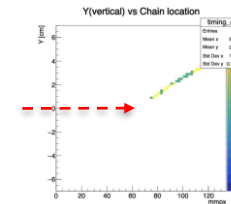
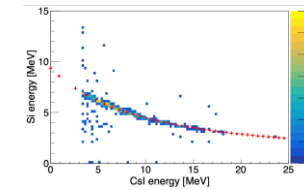
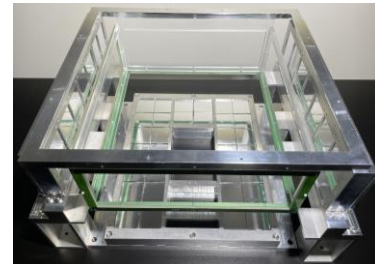
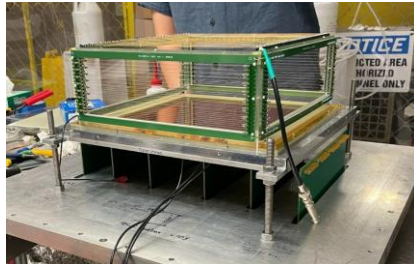


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Research Collaborations at Texas A&M

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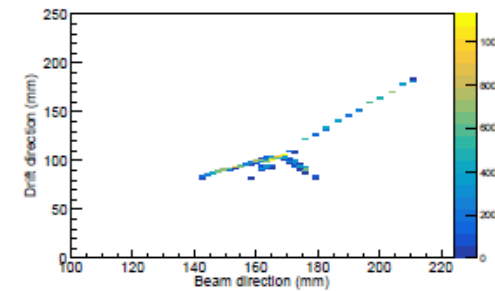
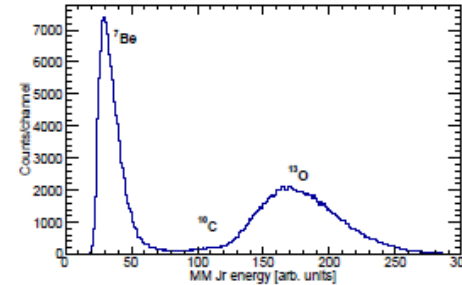
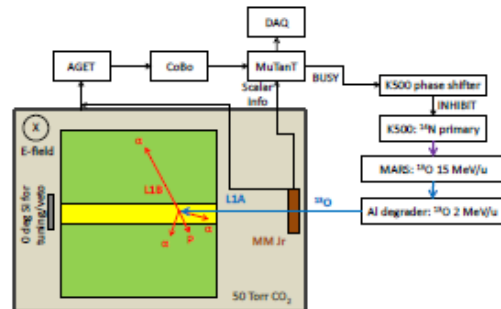
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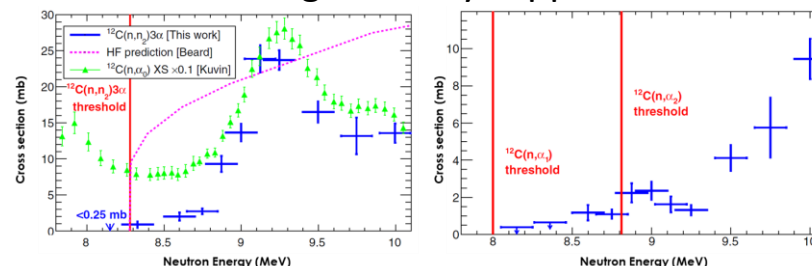
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- **Enhancements from neutron/proton Upscattering**

- ✓ The measured cross sections are significantly suppressed near the threshold in comparison to HF predictions.



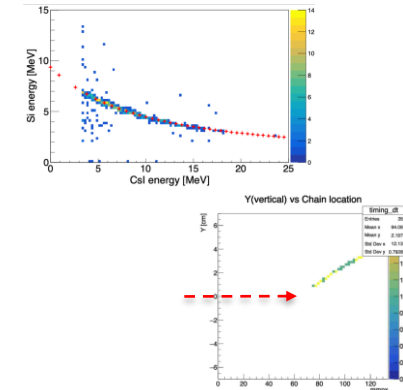
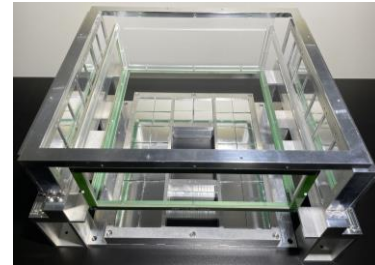
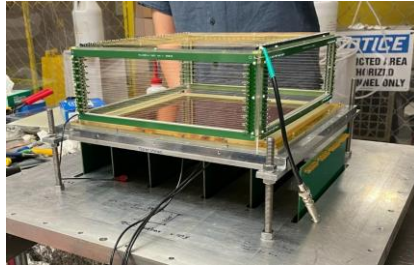
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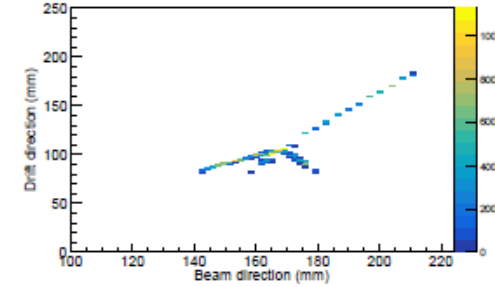
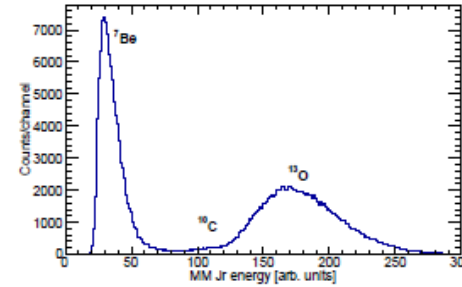
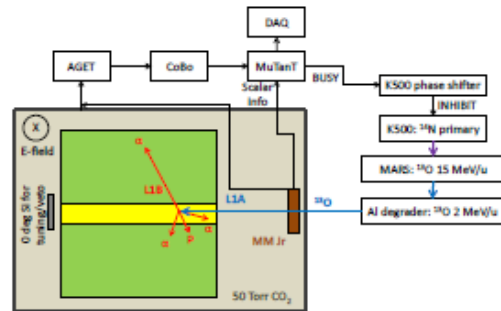
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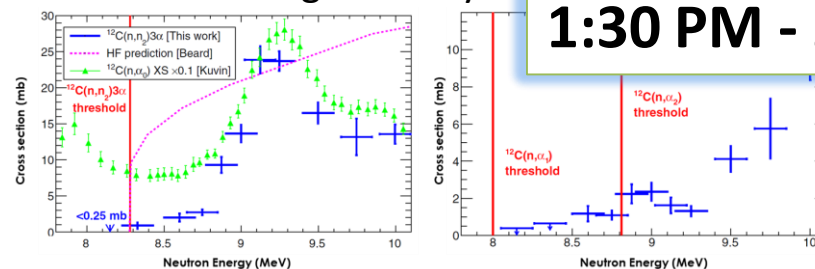
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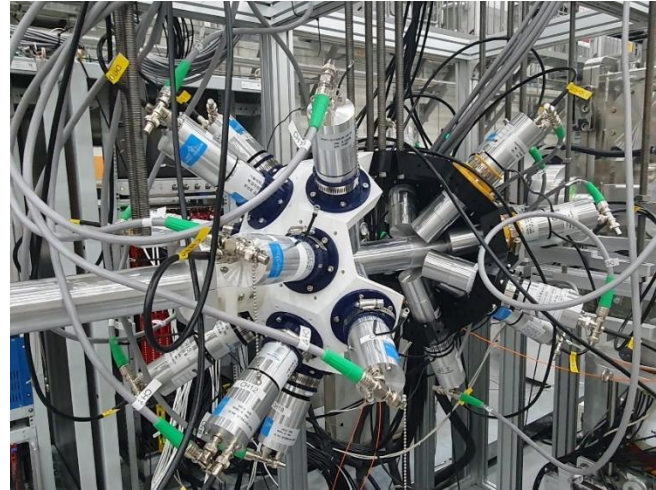
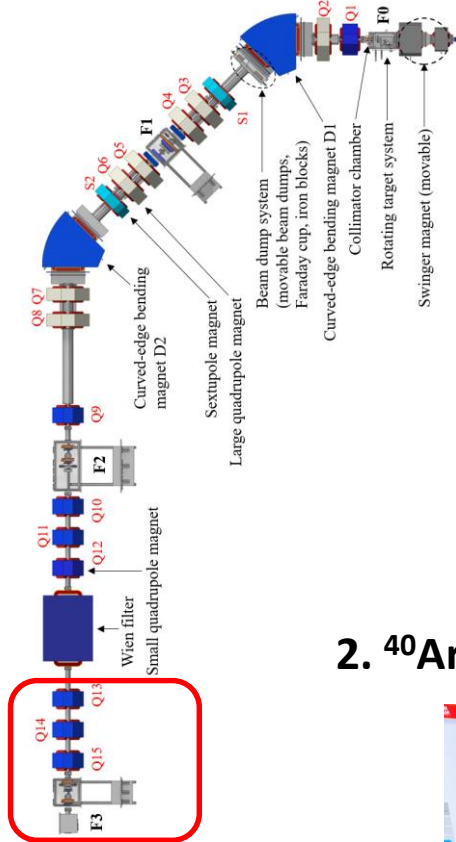


**[Session 11.2 – Nuclear properties for astrophysics]
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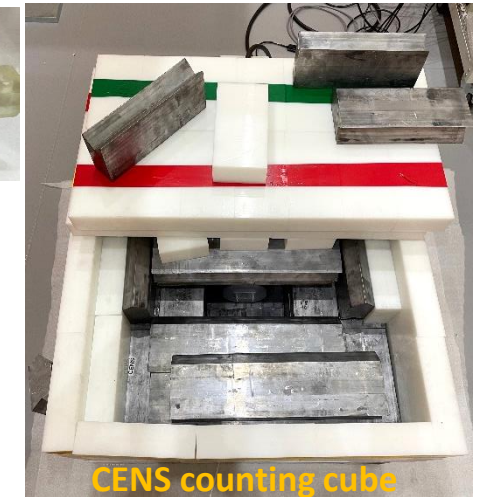
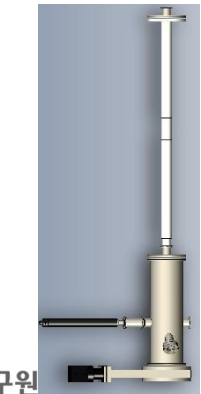
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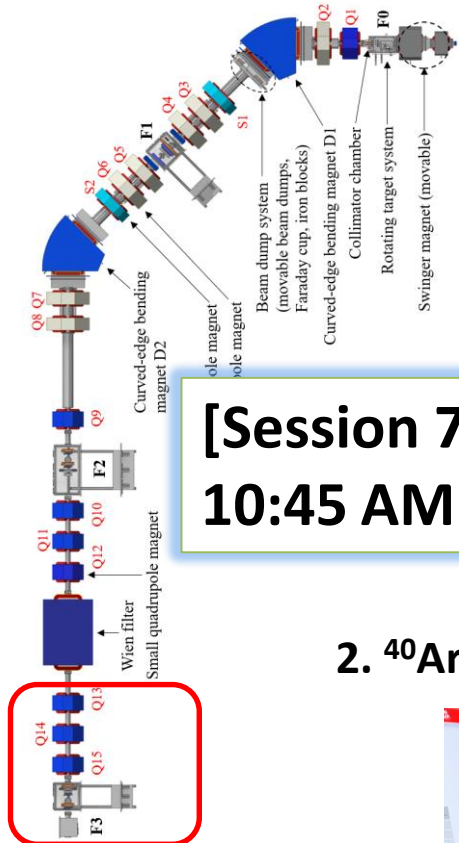


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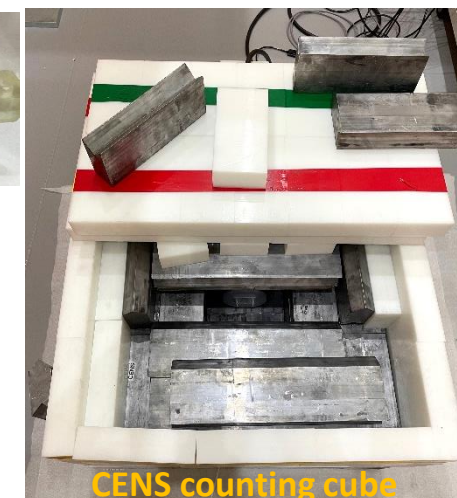
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[Session 7.2 – New facilities, instruments and tools]
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM by Taeksu Shin

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Summary

- Center for Exotic Nuclear Studies performs RI beam nuclear physics.

“To study properties of exotic nuclei and origin of heavy elements in the universe.”

- Nuclear Physics inputs play an important role in nucleosynthesis calculation results.
- Recent sensitivity studies show large uncertainties on the nuclear properties of unstable nuclei.

➔ **Experimental measurements with rare isotopes are very critical to reduce them.**

- **Key experimental studies can be performed with RI beams at RIKEN, FRIB and RAON:**

1. CENS αp -explorer

- ✓ Direct (α, p) cross section measurements related to αp -process: (α, p) with ^{14}O , ^{22}Mg , ^{18}Ne , ^{21}Na , ^{17}F beams
- ✓ Direct measurement of $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)^{17}\text{F}$ cross section at CRIB
- ✓ Experiments at RI facilities using AToM-X, STARK with CryoSTAR

2. CENS n^* -explorer Project

- ✓ Nuclear structures related to neutron capture reaction rates in s, i, r -process:
e.g. (d, d) , (d, p) or $(d, p\gamma)$ wt ^{32}Si , ^{34}Si , ^{32}Mg , ^{28}O beams for i -process
- ✓ Bp-ToF mass measurements related to r -process: nuclear mass around $Z=30\sim 40$ and $N=50\sim 60$
- ✓ Direct measurements of (α, n) reaction cross sections which are important for weak r -process
e.g. (α, n) wt ^{75}Ga , ^{85}Br , ^{84}Se , ^{87}Kr beams using MUSIC, neutron detector, SECAR or AToM-X

- New major horses for nuclear astrophysics studies: **TexAT_v2, AToM-X, CryoSTAR, KoBRA Wien Filter, STARK, ASGARD and IDATEN.**
- Future plan:
 - ✓ **To complete missions of CENS αp -explorer and CENS n^* -explorer**
 - ✓ **To build up a interdisciplinary community among nuclear physics, astrophysics and astronomy.**
 - ✓ **To perform many nuclear astrophysics studies using RAON facility.**



Thank you for your attention!