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Laserspectroscopy of heavy elements and target development

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Properties of the Heaviest Elements

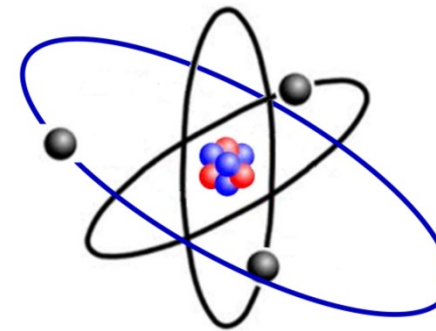
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Laser spectroscopy

Target production

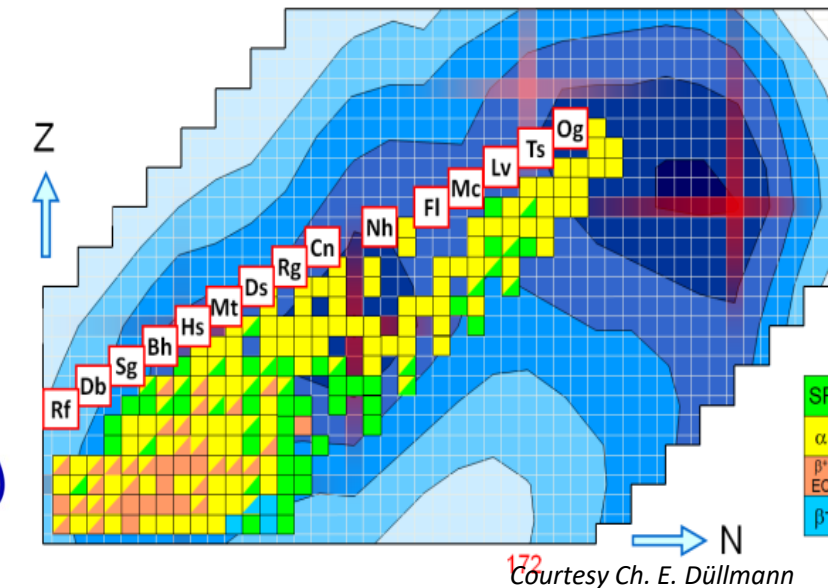
Electron shell

- atomic structure
- chemical properties
- defines the element



Nucleus

nuclear structure
stability of elements



Laser spectroscopy of heavy elements

Common interest and synergies in-gas-cell and in-gas-jet developments
and high resolution laser spectroscopy of heavy elements



RADRIS

(Radiation Detected
Resonant Ionization Spectroscopy)

- H. Backe et al., Eur. Phys. J. D 45, 99 (2007).
- F. Lautenschläger et al., NIMB 383, 115 (2016).
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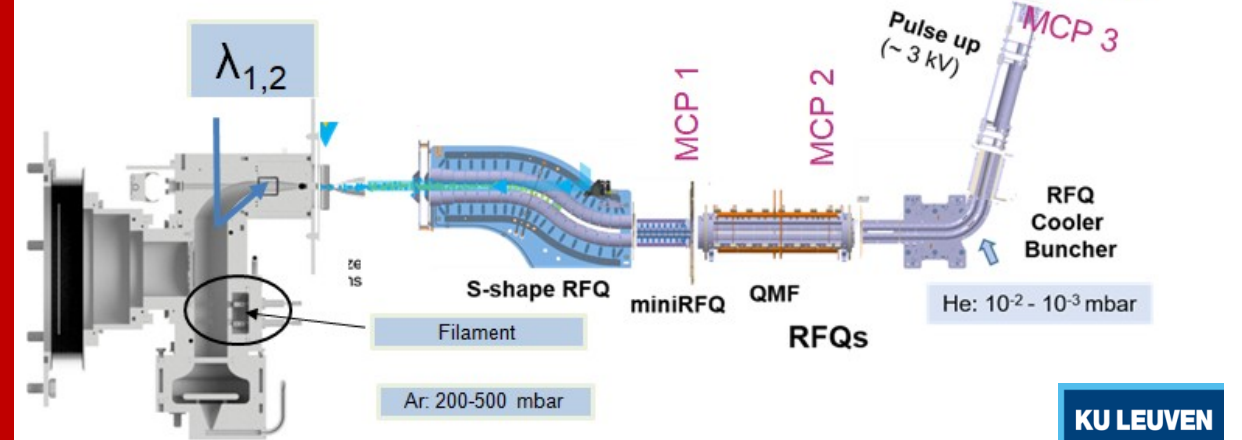
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S³LEB

(Super Separator Spectrometer Low Energy Branch)

R. Ferrer et al.,
Nature Communication 8, 14520 (2017)



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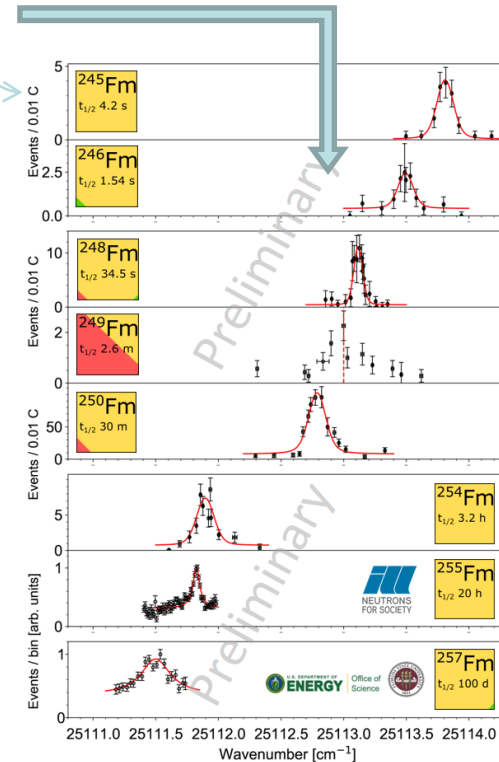


RADRIS

Laser spectroscopy on Fm isotopes

Level search in Lr (Z=103)

Laser spectroscopy in ^{251}No



PhD: J. Warbinek

J. Warbinek et al., Results presented at INPC 2022 conference, Cape Town, South Africa



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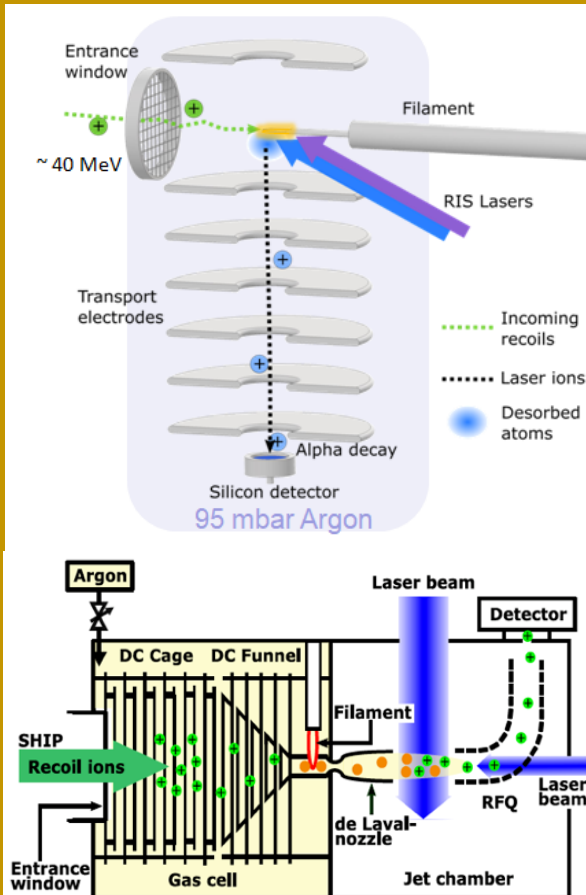
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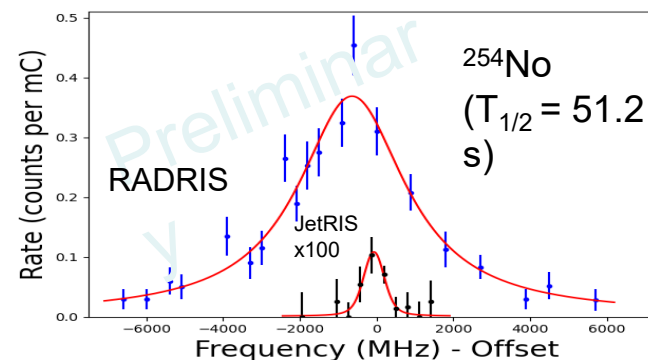


Online commissioning with ^{254}No first narrow band spectrum

PhD: D. Münzberg
PhD: M. Stemmler
PhD: A. Brizard

Alexandre Brizard (GANIL)
@ GSI in February 2023

Joined GSI and GANIL



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PhD position in nuclear instrumentation

SHELA (Super Heavy Element LAser spectroscopy at GSI and GANIL)

GSI Helmholtz Centre for Heavy Ion Research in Germany, Darmstadt, and GANIL Grand Accélérateur National d'Ions Lourds in France, Caen, have a common interest in developing laser spectroscopic instrumentation to measure nuclear hyperfine interactions of actinide and trans-actinide isotopes. Laser spectroscopy is a powerful and precise tool to measure atomic levels and their hyperfine structure, revealing atomic and chemical properties, in addition to information on the shape and the size of the atomic nuclei. Elements above the actinide element fermium (100 protons), known as super-heavy elements, lack such information and therefore their atomic structure information relies on atomic theory calculations. Here, experimental investigations are needed to validate modern atomic theory

M. Stemmler et al., Results presented at EMIS 2022 conference, Daejeon, Korea



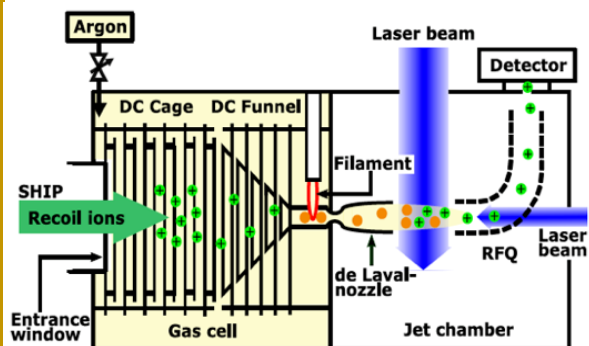
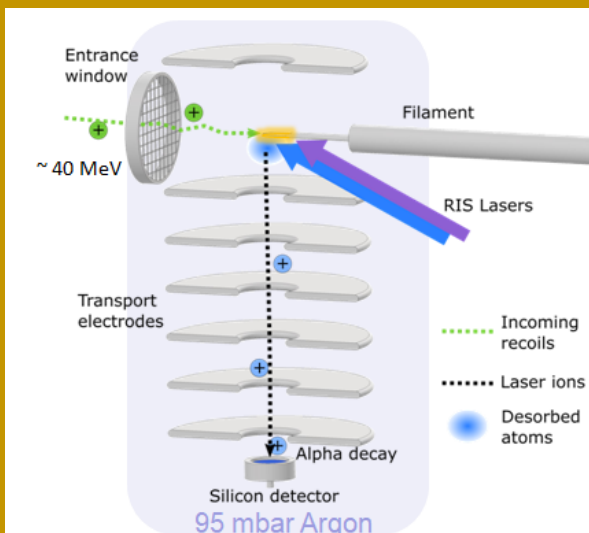
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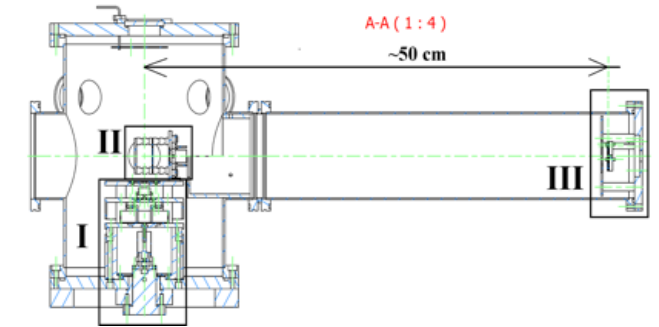
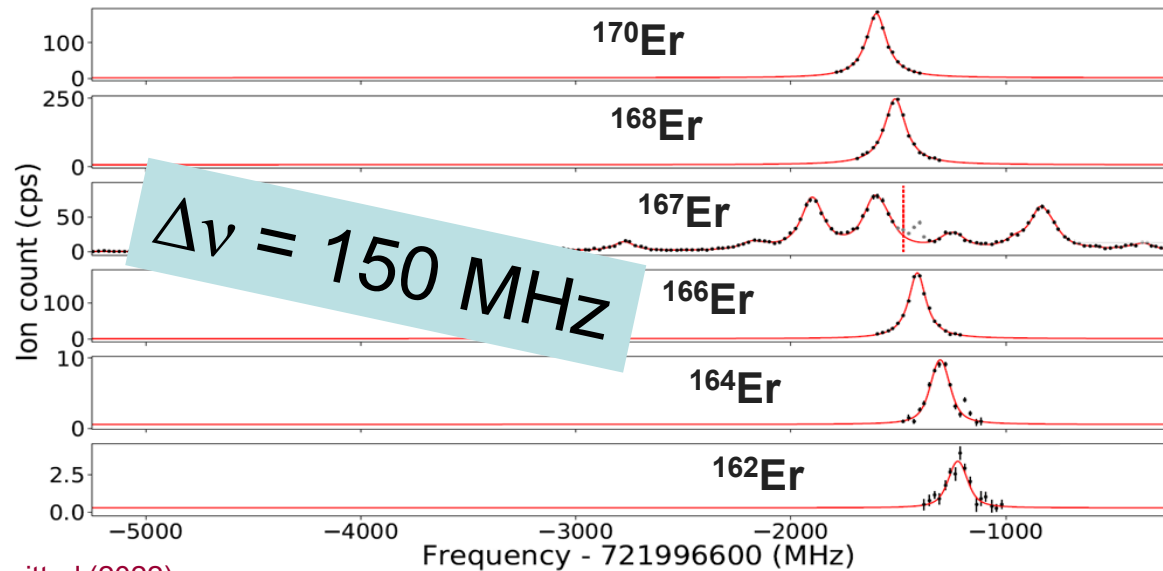
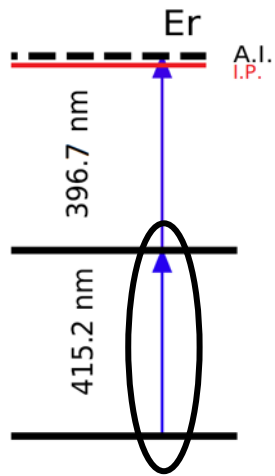
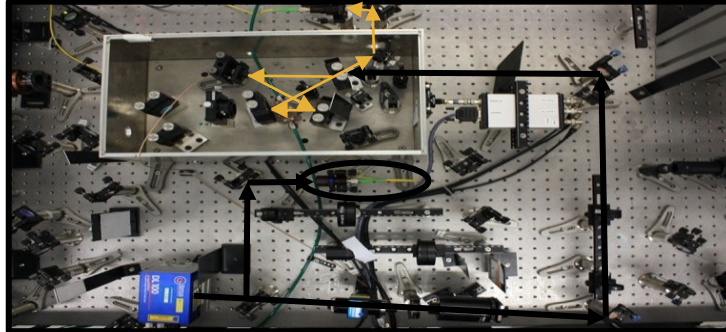


GANIL - GISELE TiSa Laser system

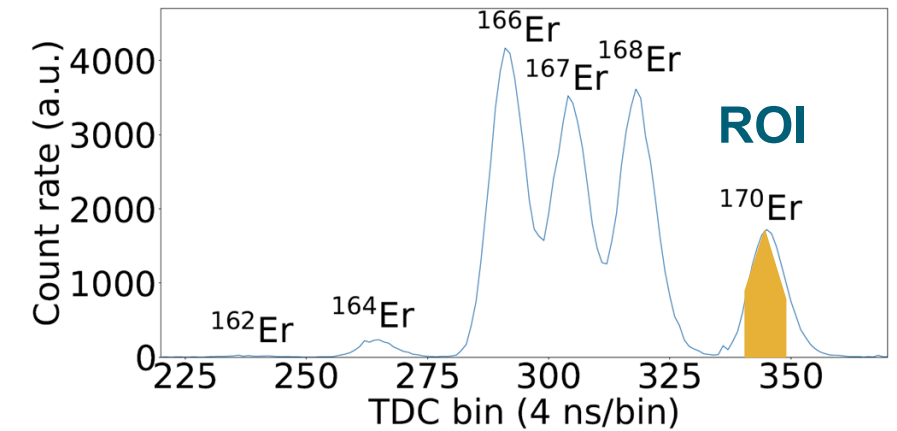
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- © Broadband tunable TiSa laser system
- © New Narrow-bandwidth / Single-mode TiSa laser system ($\Delta\lambda < 50$ MHz)

PhD: J. Romans



ABU with ToF separation

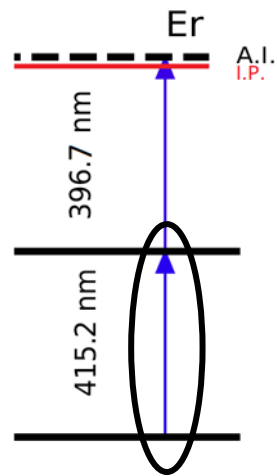


J. Romans et al. NIMB, submitted (2022)

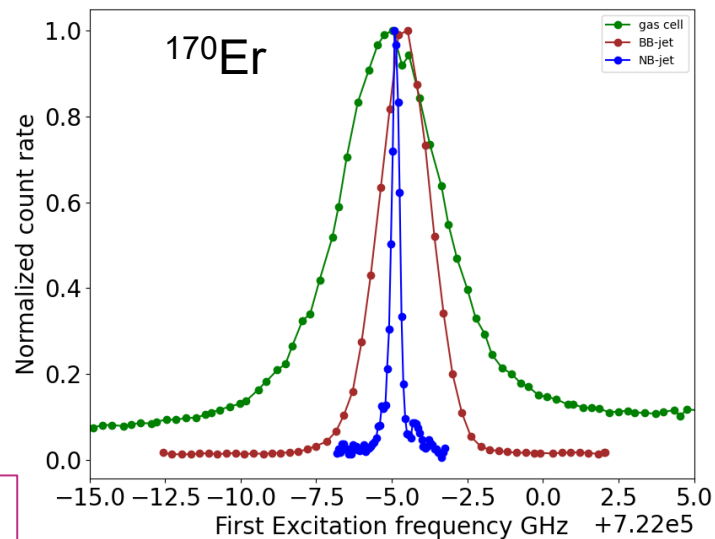
J. Romans et al., Results presented at EMIS 2022 conference, Daejeon, Korea

LPC - S³LEB commissioning

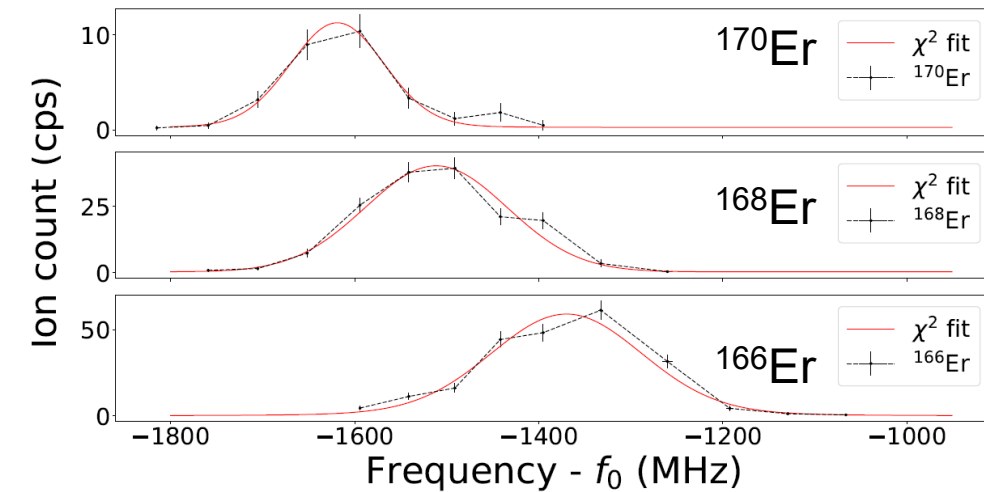
- © Narrow bandwidth seeded laser cavity installed at S³LEB
- © In-gas jet spectroscopy and first measured Isotope Shifts in Er



PhD: A. Ajayakumar



- © Excitation step with Narrow Band Laser < 100 MHz
 - Spectral Linewidth (FWHM): 316(5) MHz
- © Ionization step: Broad Band Laser ~ 1.8 GHz
 - Spectral Linewidth (FWHM): 2(1) GHz



$\Delta f^{170,A*}$ (MHz) $4f^{12} 6s^2 {}^3H_6 \rightarrow 4f^{12} 6s ({}^3H_5) 6p$	In-Gas jet with BB laser RIS	In-Gas jet with NB laser RIS	Vacuum (J.Romans et al. article in preparation)
$\Delta f^{170,166}$	PRELIMINARY	PRELIMINARY	
	181(30)	231(14)	197(5)
$\Delta f^{170,168}$	80(34)	99(7)	97(5)

A. Ajayakumar et al., Results presented at EMIS 2022 conference, Daejeon, Korea

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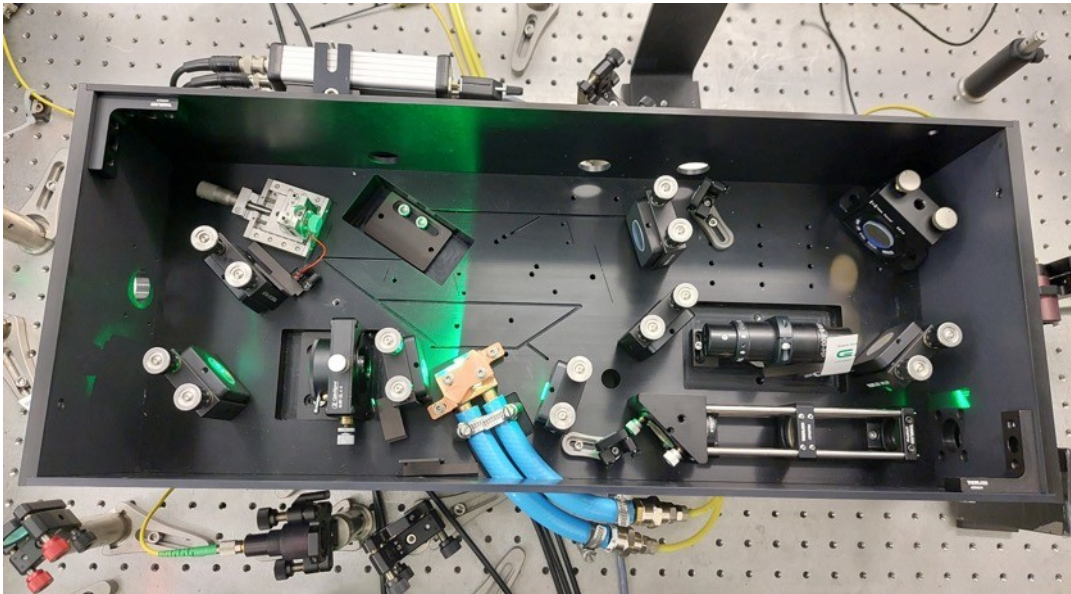
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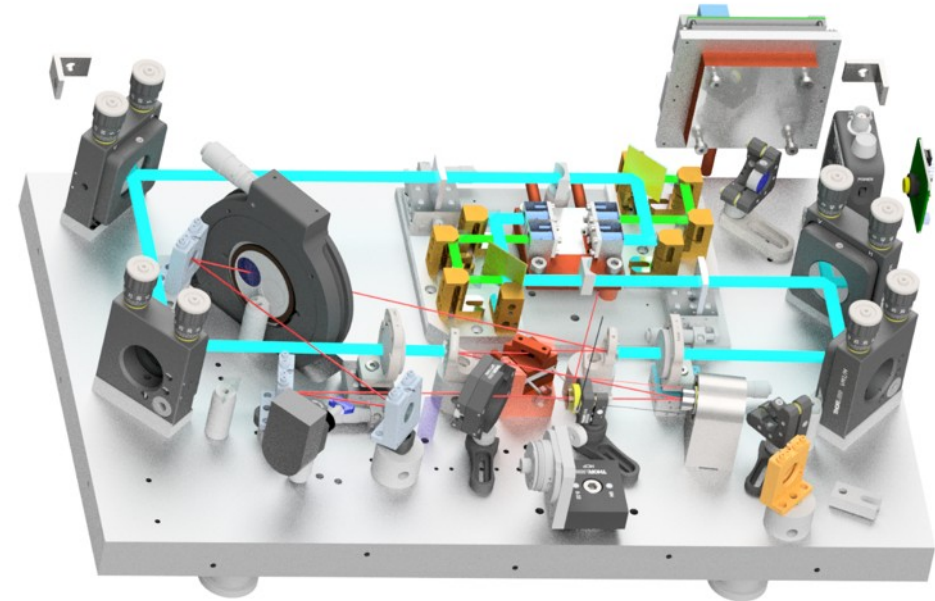
Laser developments @ JGU and GANIL

© New injection locked cavity from JGU @ GANIL



PhD: A. Ortiz-Cortes @ GANIL
D. Studer @ JGU

© New CW TiSa cavity projects @ JGU and @ GANIL



V. Sonnenschein et al., NIMB 463 (2020) 512–514

PhD: A. Ajayakumar @ GANIL
PhD: M. Stemmler @ JGU

Participation to the LISA school in Normandy

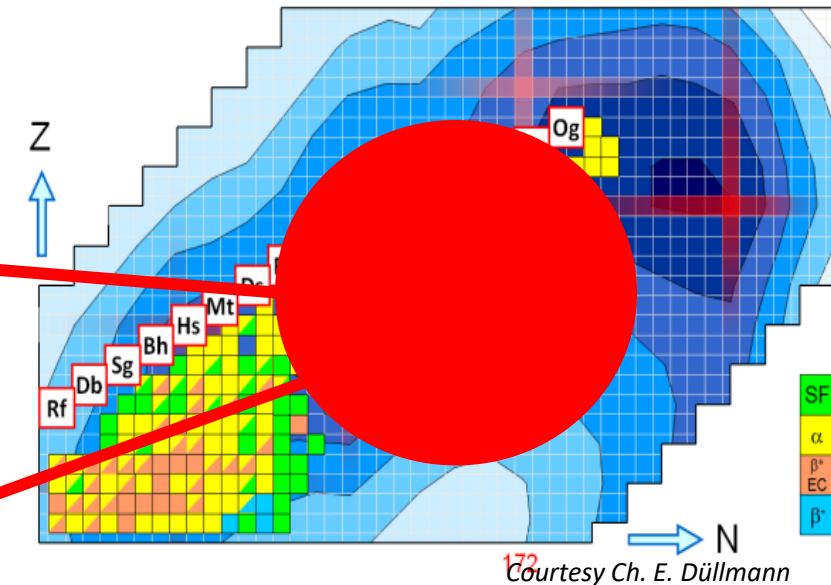
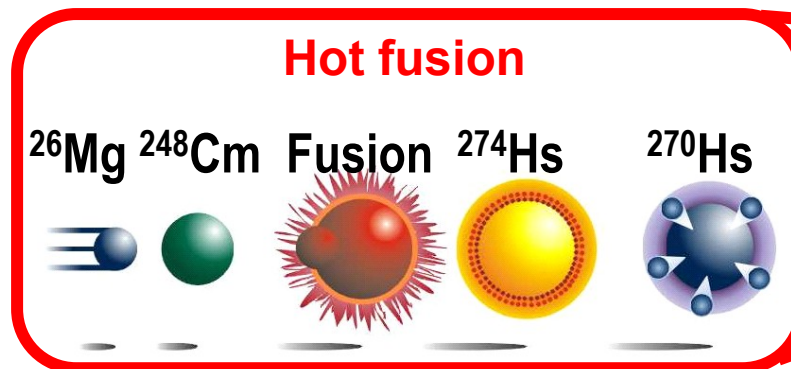


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Production of the Heaviest Elements

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Hot fusion for SHE requires actinide targets



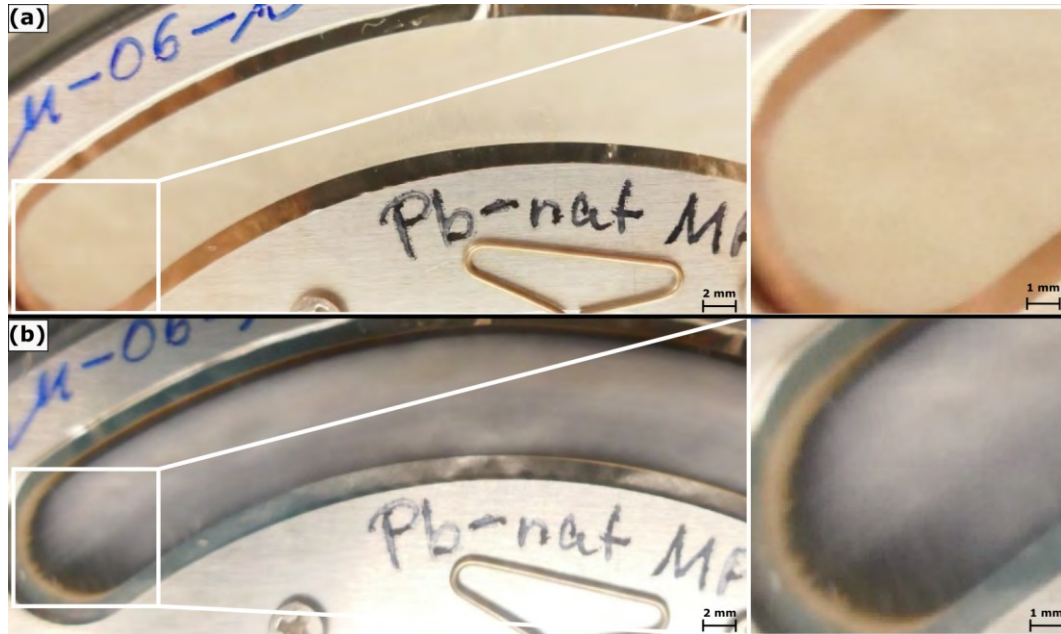
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Target development

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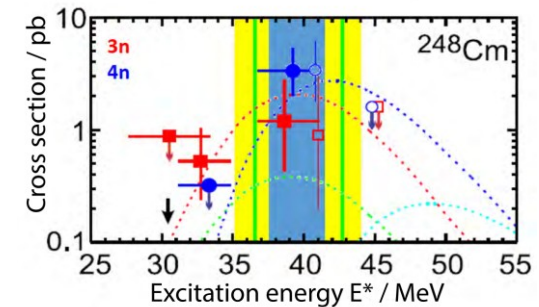
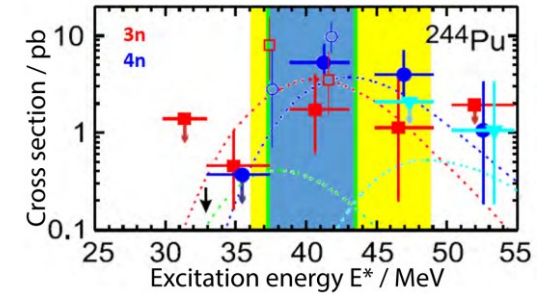
Thicker targets promise a larger yield → limited by production techniques

Behaviour of target at irradiation is crucial



fresh Pb MP target

after irradiation:
 6.5×10^{13} ions/cm²
with 5.90 MeV/u ⁴⁸Ca-beam

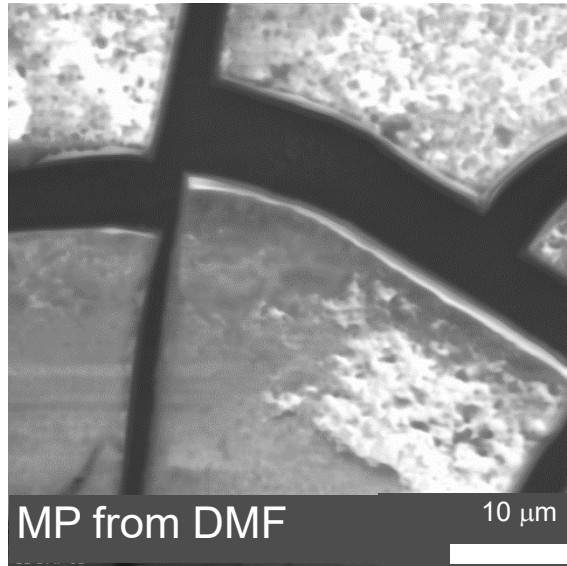
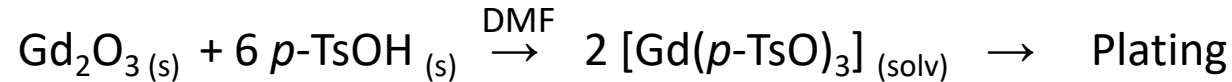


Meyer *et al.*, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 1028 (2022) 166365

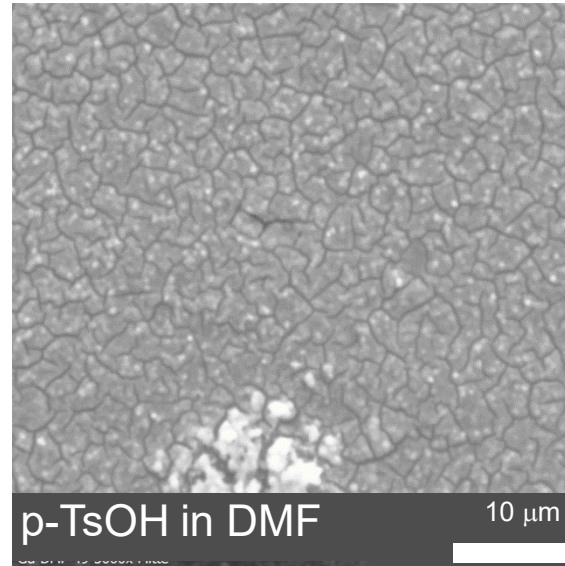
Oganessian & Utyonkov, Nucl. Phys. A 944 (2015) 62-98
Düllmann *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 104.25 (2010) 252701
Khuyagbaatar *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112.17 (2014) 172501

Modern electrochemical approaches for f-elements

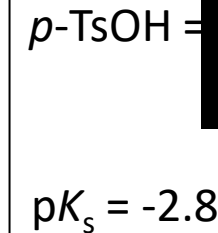
1) p-Toluenesulfonic acid (p-TsOH): “Tosylate-method”



Gd-film, 500 μg/cm²



Gd-film, 2000 μg/cm²



- no application to actinides reported in literature.
- in principle: modification to one pot reaction possible!
But: Is p-Toluenesulfonic acid strong enough?

P. Liu *et al.*, Electrochim. Acta 45 (2000) 2147

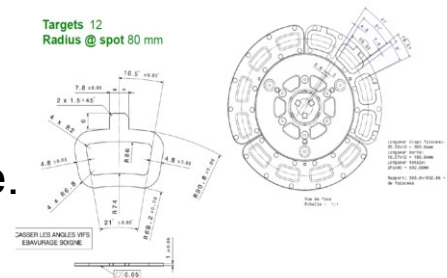
J. Lodermeier *et al.*, J. Electrochem. Soc 153.4 (2006) C242

Needs to test new target production methods under realistic conditions!

→ Test targets will be mounted on rotating wheel of S3 station installed in the LISE 2000 beamline.

PhD: E. Artes @ JGU
PhD: L. Reed @ JGU

Synergy and knowledge transfer for target development!



Activities planned for 2023

Laserspectroscopy

JETRIS@GSI/HIM/JGU preparation for beamtime 2024 (60 shifts beamtime granted) 

- improving efficiency of the setup and further characterization
- Offline measurements
- Development of MR-ToF for coupling to JETRIS (PhD D. Münzberg, A. B.)
- Laser development (PhD M. Stemmler)
- RADRIS preparation (PhD J. Warbinek, K. van Beek)

LEB@LPC/GANIL

- Continuation of off-line commissioning of the S³-LEB (PhD A. Brizard)
- Laser development (seeded laser, cw-laser) (PhD A. Ajayakumar,)

Target development

- JGU/GSI: Development of new techniques for target production
- GANIL: test of targets

*Well established
Collaborational work*

Synergy and lively knowlegde transfer in all activies benefit all partners!!