



# **TEST DE COMPOSANTS ET SYSTEMES POUR L'ENVIRONNEMENT RADIATIF SPATIAL**

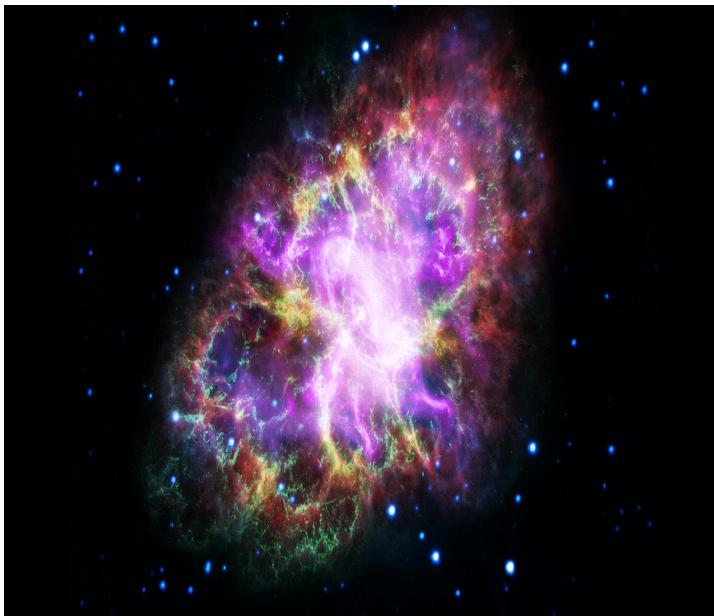
# **COMPONENTS AND SYSTEMS RADIATION TESTING FOR RADIATION SPACE ENVIRONMENT**

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## Cosmic rays



Protons

Ions

max around 300 MeV/n  
Energy up to 10 GeV/n

Protons

Ions

keV- 500 MeV    a few 1-10 MeV/n

Protons

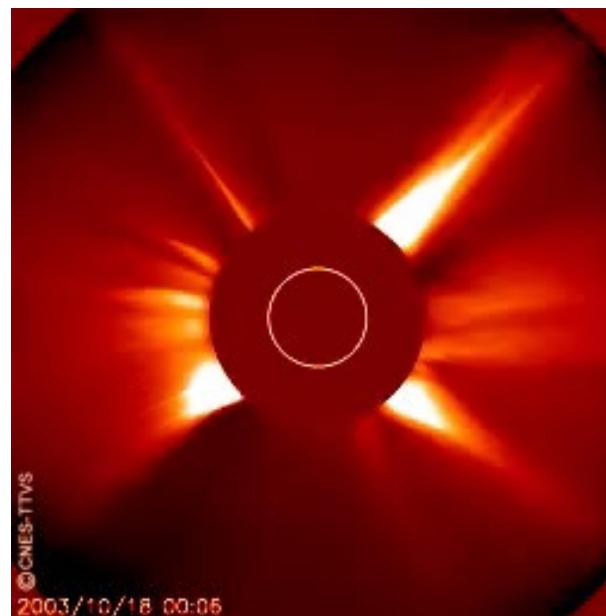
Electrons

keV- 500 MeV    eV - ~ 10 MeV

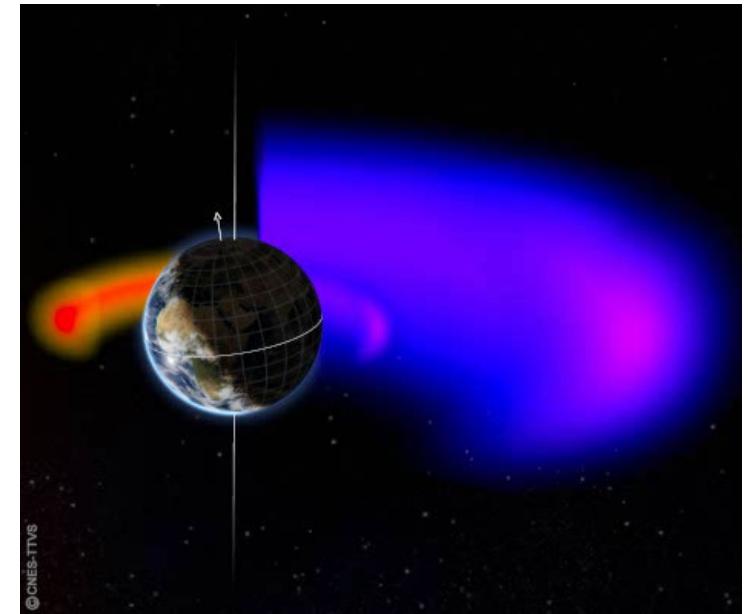
Ions

= charged nuclei from atoms with  $Z \geq 2$

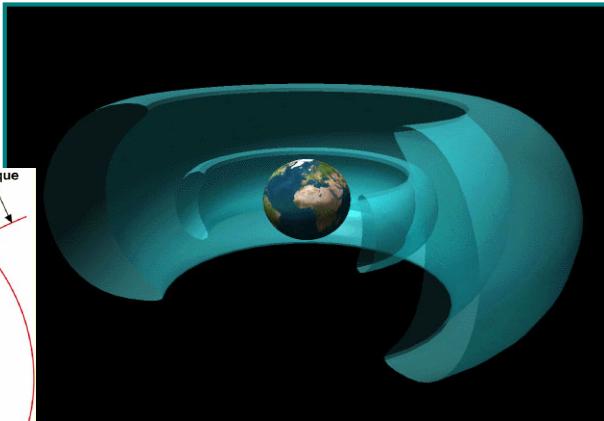
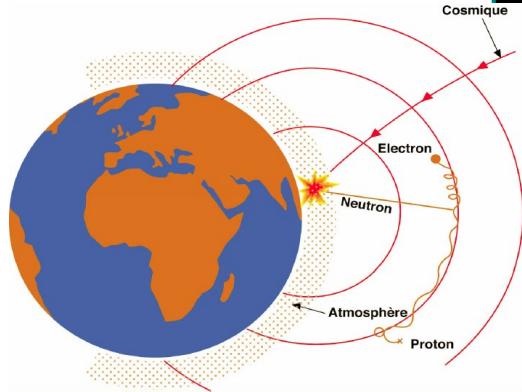
## Sun & Solar events



## Radiation belts

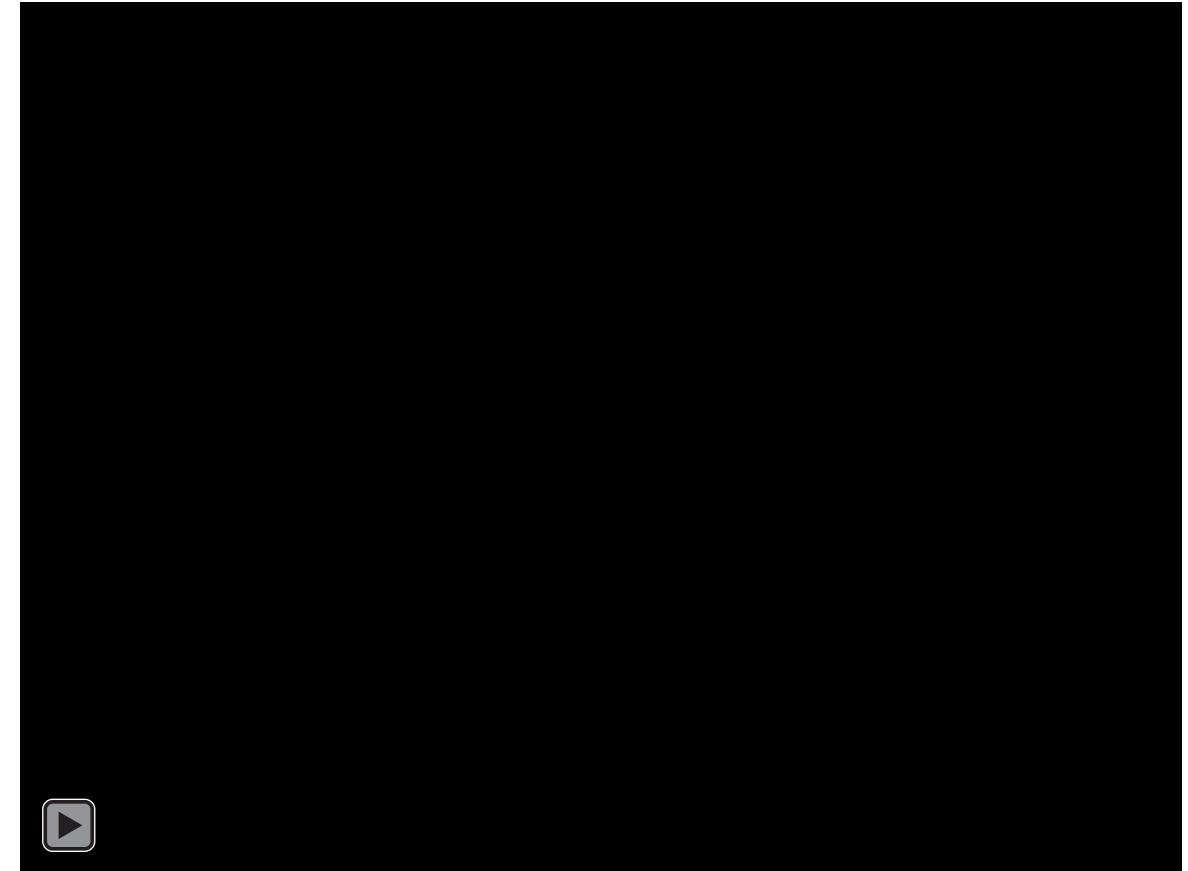
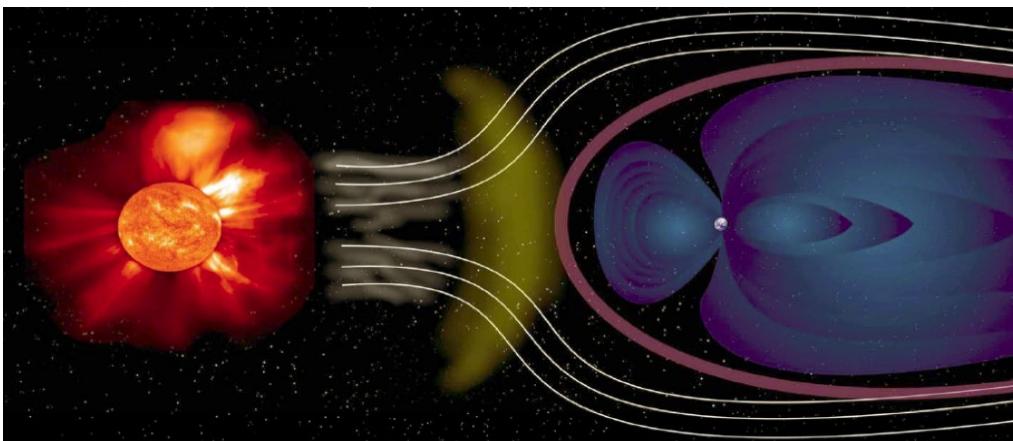


## ❖ Altitude/latitude



ICARE/SAC-C 15 March – 15 April 2001 1 image/day

## ❖ Solar activity



Low Earth Orbit (705km, 98°)

Charged particles interact either with electrons or nucleus of the target material.

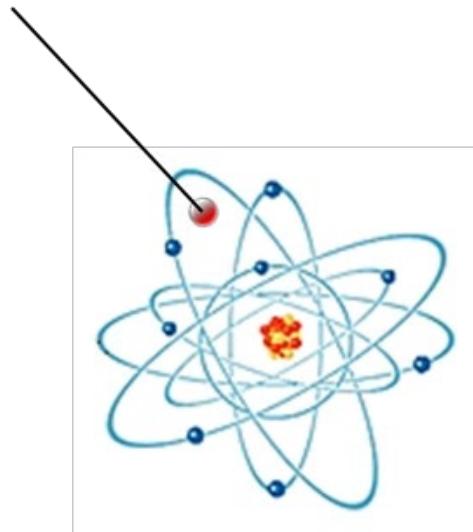
## Effects of radiation on electronic devices:

### ❖ Cumulative

- Due to the collective contribution of multiple particles
- Total dose = Ionizing dose (electrons) + Non ionizing dose (Nucleus)

TID: Total Ionizing Dose

TNID or DDD: Displacement Damage Dose

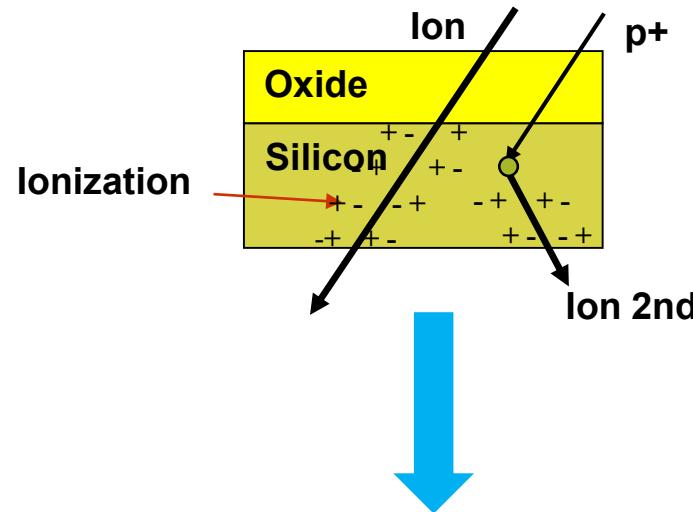


### ❖ Single

- A unique particle is responsible of a change of state in the device.

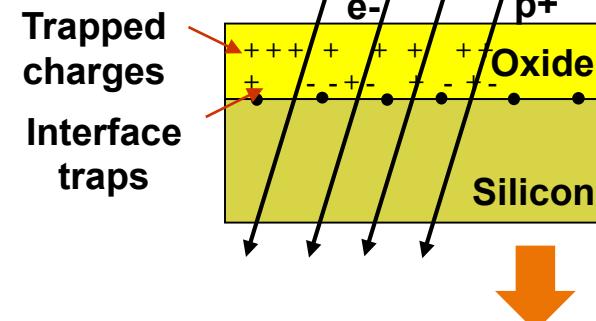
Ionization => charge collection => SEE: Single Event Effect

## Single event effects

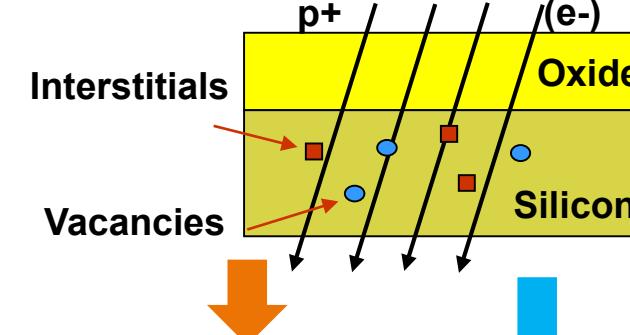


- SET : transient
- SEU : upset
- SEL : *latch-up*
- SEB : *burn-out*
- SEGR : *rupture*

## Ionizing dose



## Atomic displacement



Parametric drift  
Function loss

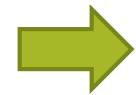
Lifetime

- Hot pixels
- RTS
- Stuck bits
- Weakened Cells

- Operating safety
- Dependability
- Performances

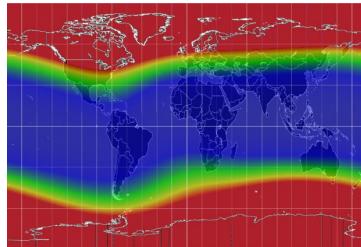
## Selection of components compatible with the environment of the mission:

### 1. Determination of the mission environment

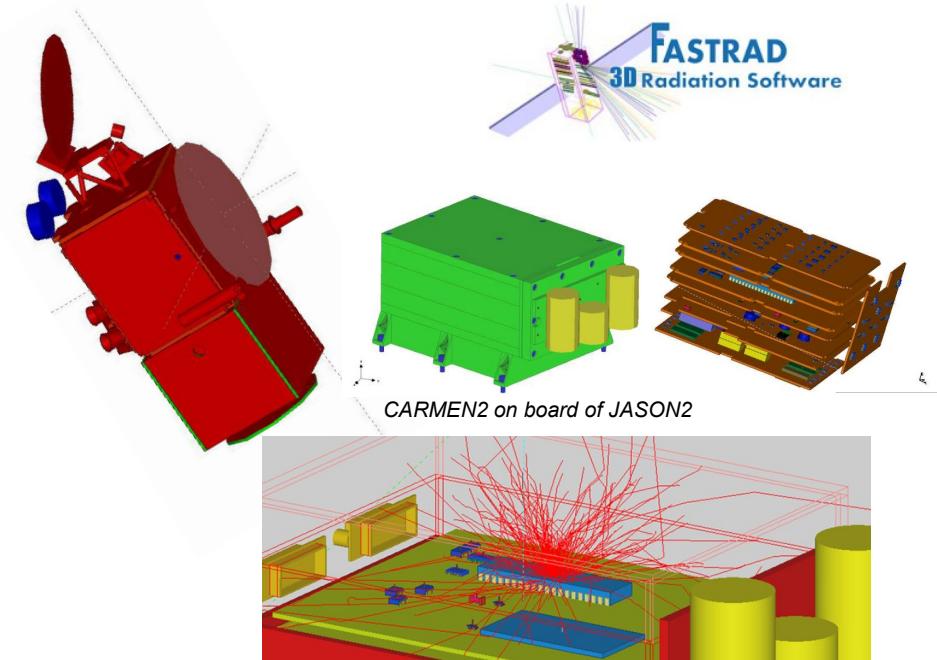
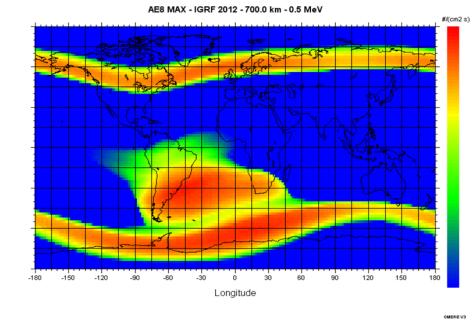
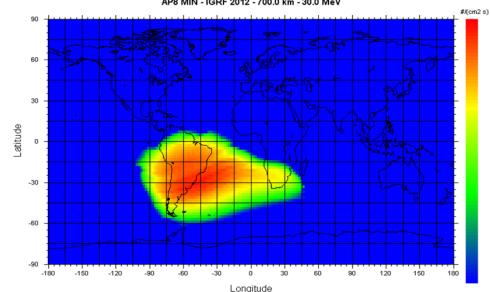


Modelling

Heavy ions density at LEO orbit (800km)



Trapped protons  
AP8 MIN - IGRF 2012 - 700.0 km - 30.0 MeV



### 2. Determination of the device response



Test under radiation emulation facility

# WHICH FACILITY FOR WHICH EFFECT

Facility\Effect	SEE	TID	TNID
Ion accelerator	X		
Proton accelerator	X	X	X
Neutron beam	X		X
Co60 source		X	
X-Rays		X	
Cf252 source	X		
Laser	X		
Pulsed X-rays	X		



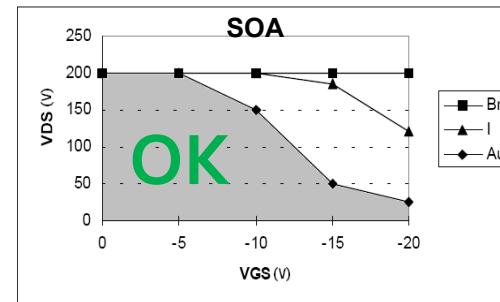
X : Compatible with the standards requirements  
x: Alternative and/or complimentary techniques

# SEE test principle: 3 types of SEE

## ➤ Destructive SEE with no possible protection:

- Single Event Gate Rupture in Power devices
- Some very harsh Single Event Latch-up

### Determination of the Safe Operating area



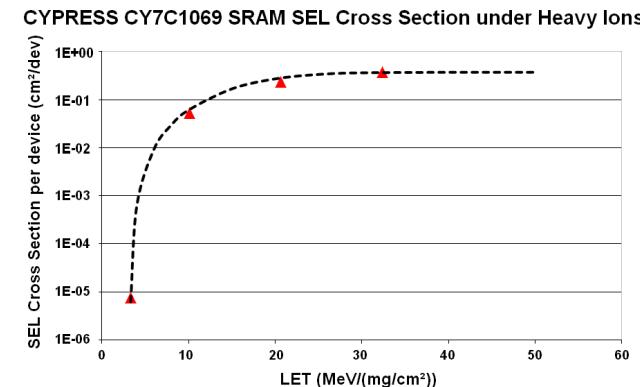
Device is accepted if  
biasing is inside the SOA  
whatever the mission is.

## ➤ Potentially destructive SEE (with protection)

- Single Event Burnout in Power devices
- Single Event Latchup

Statistical approach:

### Determination of the SEE cross section

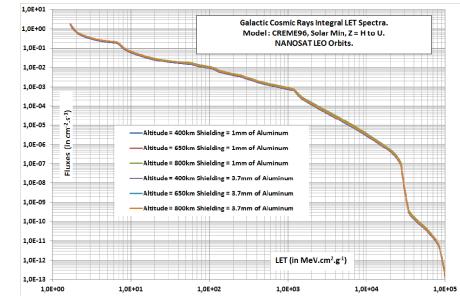


In-flight error rate prediction for a given mission

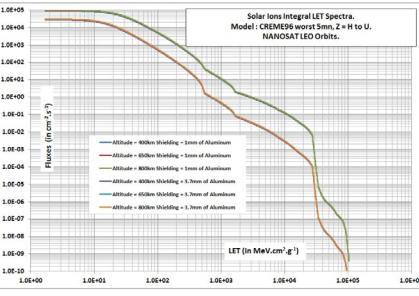
# SEE test principle:

## ❖ Input data for in flight rate calculation

GCR



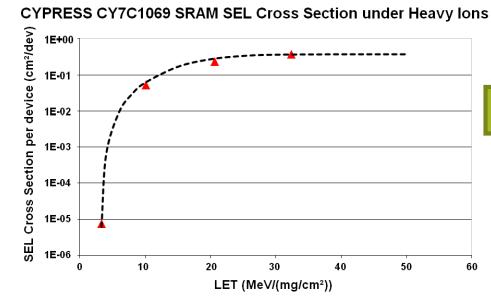
Solar



VA belts

Ions

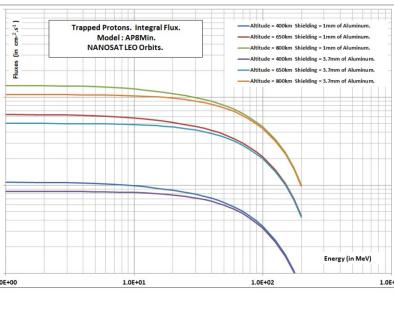
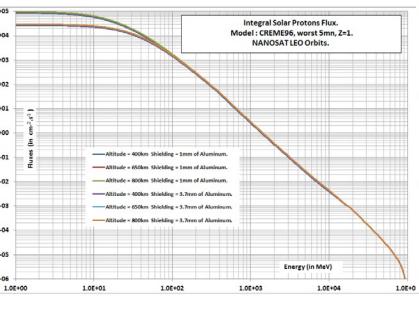
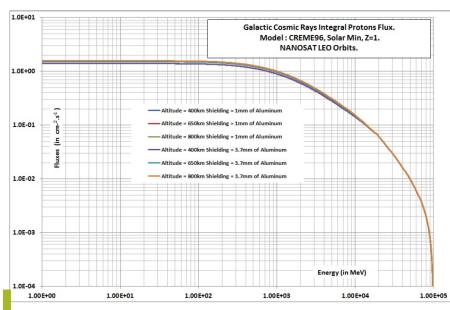
X section SEE



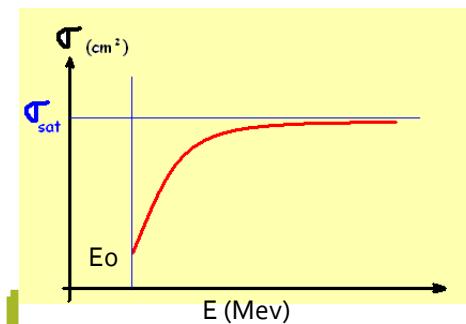
Heavy ions SEE rate



Protons



Mission environment



Proton SEE rate

DUT Sensitivity

Global SEE rate

Device is accepted if the rate is compatible with constraints of the mission



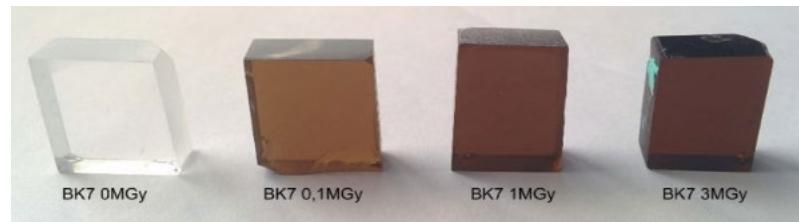
# TID test principle:

## ❖ Irradiation with significant source

- Cobalt 60 (Gamma rays) for devices or systems inside satellites (electronic components)
- Electrons for those outside ( some materials, coatings, solar cells, ...)

## ❖ Parametric and functional test

- Continuous measurement
- Step by step remote testing



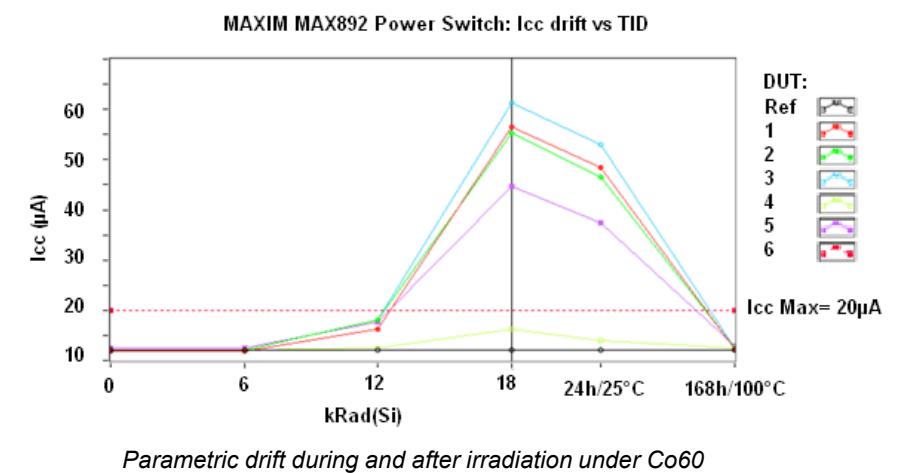
Glass samples darkening with increasing dose

## ❖ Gradual deposition of dose

## ❖ Accelerated test vs space dose rate

- Potential dose rate effect

## ❖ Temperature and bias effects



Parametric drift during and after irradiation under Co60

# TNID test principle: similar to TID

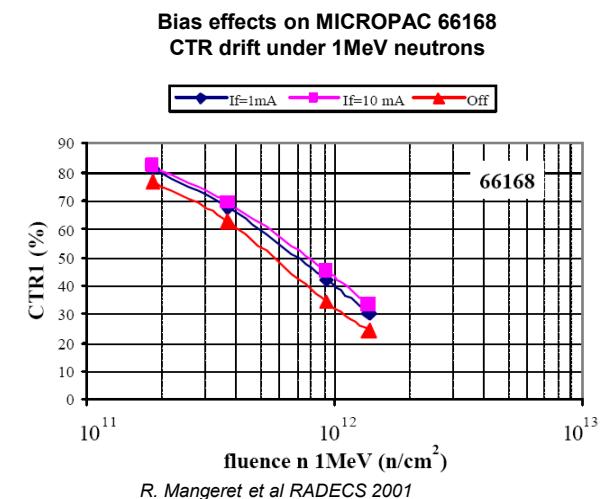
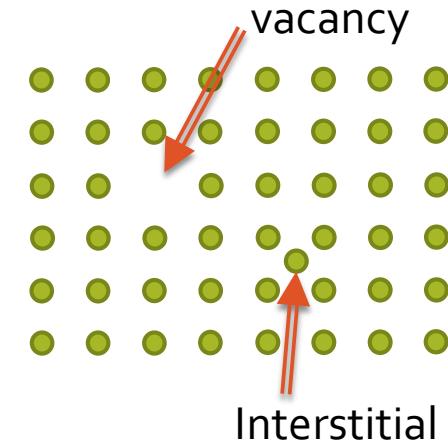
## ❖ Irradiation with significant source

- Protons
- Neutrons

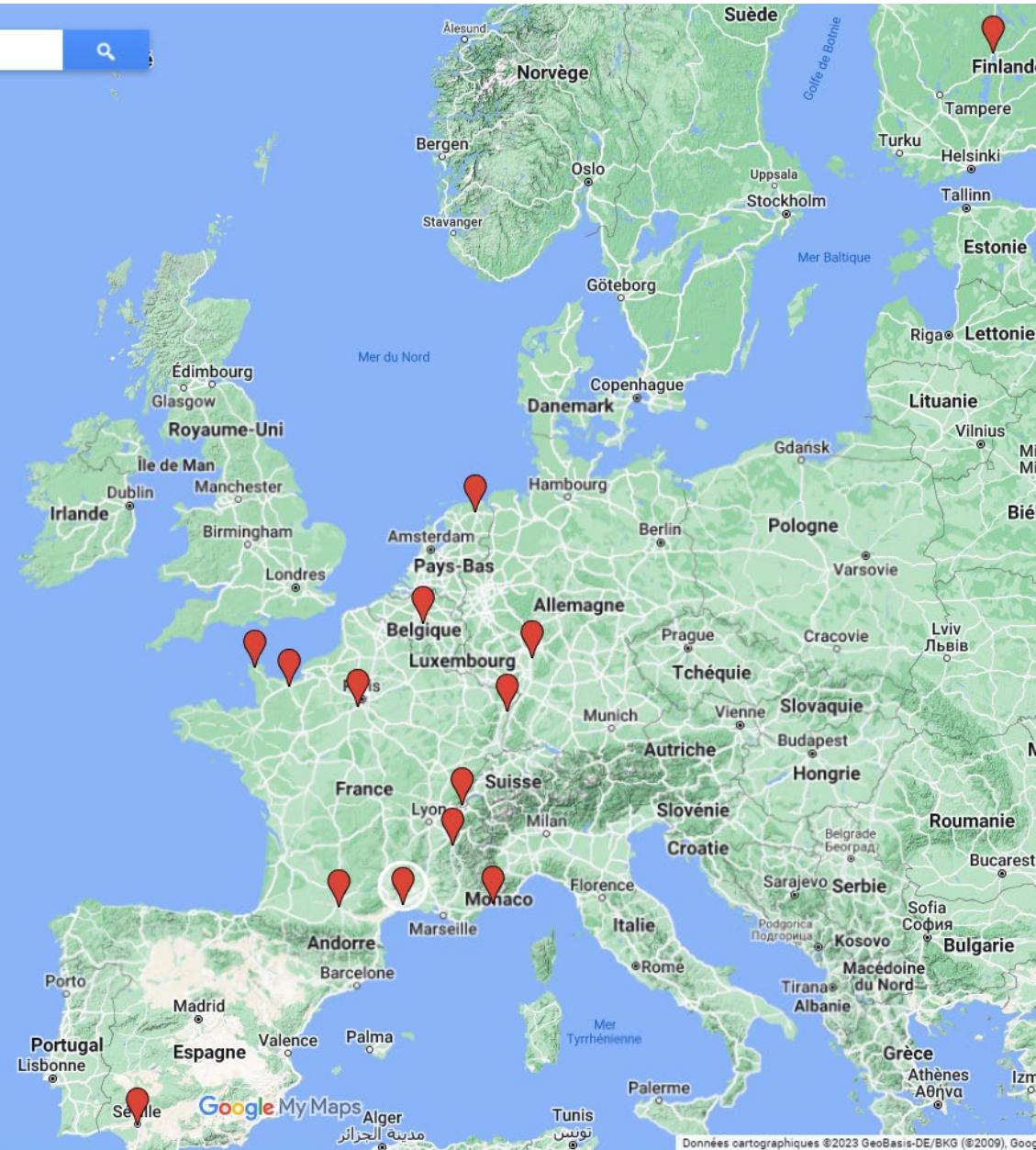
## ❖ Parametric and functional test

## ❖ No significant dose rate, temperature or bias effects

## ❖ Sample activation may lead to long cooling delays



# FACILITIES USED BY CNES



Finland (Jyvaskyla): RADEF-JYFL  
The Nederlands (Groningen): UMCG-PARTREC  
Belgium (Louvain la Neuve): UCLouvain  
Germany (Darmstadt): GSI  
Switzerland (Villigen): PSI  
Spain (Sevilla): CNA

France:

ATRON-FELIX (Cherbourg en Cotentin)  
GANIL et CYCLHAD (Caen)  
ICPO (Orsay)  
IPHC-Cyrcé (Strasbourg)  
ESRF et Arc Nucleart (Grenoble)  
CAL (Nice)  
TRAD/GAMRAY, ONERA/MEGA (Toulouse)  
TRAD-MPT (Montpellier)

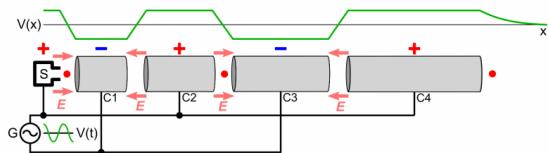
Sources for TID

Under investigation

# PARTICLE ACCELERATORS

## Type of accelerators used for space radiation tests

### ➤ Linear:



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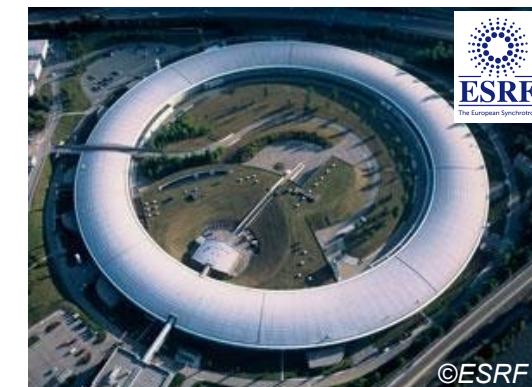
### Cyclotrons



### Synchrotrons



### ➤ Syncho-Cyclotrons



## Facilities used by CNES for SEE testing:

### ❖ Heavy ions:

- High energy heavy ions (>10MeV/n)
  - GANIL, Caen, France
  - RADEF, Jyvaskyla, Finland
- Medium energy heavy ions (<10MeV/n)
  - UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

### ❖ Protons:

- PARTREC, Groningen, The Netherlands
- IPNO, Orsay France

## Facilities used by CNES for TNID testing and calibration of detectors:

### ❖ Protons:

- PARTREC, Groningen, The Netherlands
- UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium
- CAL, Nice, France

## Alternative and complementary facilities (Currently under test)

- ❖ ESRF, Grenoble, France (SEE with Pulsed Xrays=)
- ❖ CHARM, CERN, Geneva (Mixed field=)
- ❖ ATRON-FELIX, Cherbourg, France (calibration with e-)
- ❖ ...

# GANIL (heavy ions)

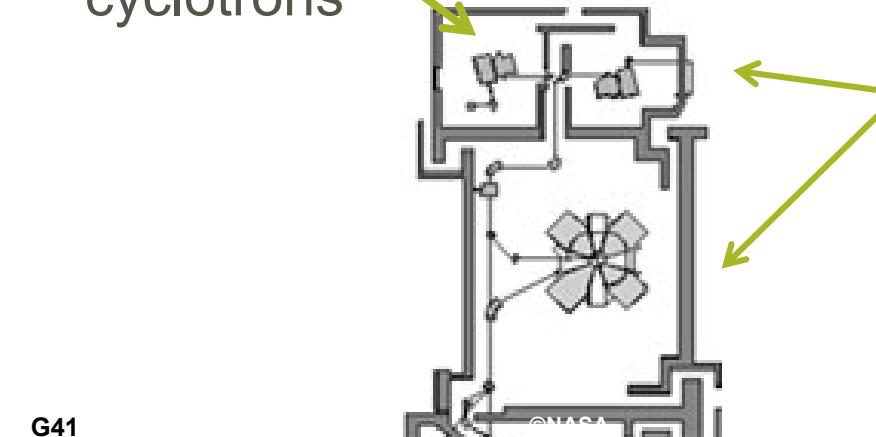
Grand Accelerateur National d'Ions Lourds, Caen, France.

Beam Transport



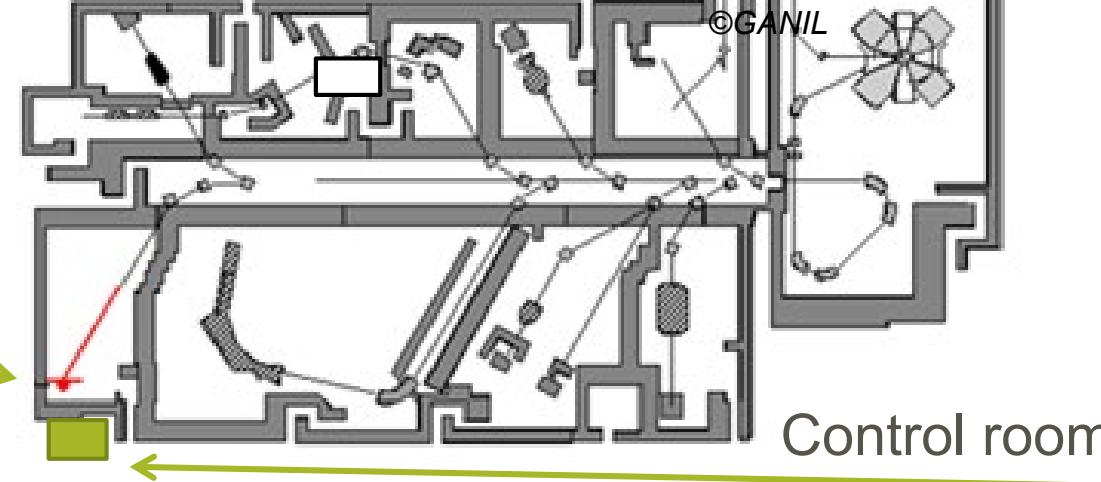
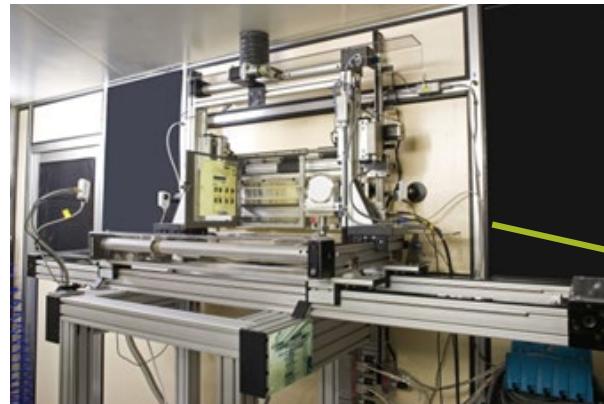
G41 cave

2x compact  
cyclotrons



2x 4 sectors  
cyclotrons

DUT Holder



## One ion available per campaign



- ❖ Example:  $^{136}\text{Xe}^{48+}$ ,  $E = 49.6 \text{ MeV/u} = 6745.6 \text{ MeV}$ , Flux:  $10^2 - 10^5 \text{ ions/cm}^2/\text{s}$

- Characteristics in Si:

Air (mm)	Al ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	E (MeV/n)	LET (MeV/(mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ))	Range ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
53	0	46.89	26.63	707.65
100	100	40.25	29.17	568.16
100	400	20.69	41.54	233.44
100	500	11.93	51.95	122.53
150	500	9.27	55.35	93.58

*After J.C. Foy, GANIL*

- Only a few weeks/year for industry

# RADEF (Heavy ions)

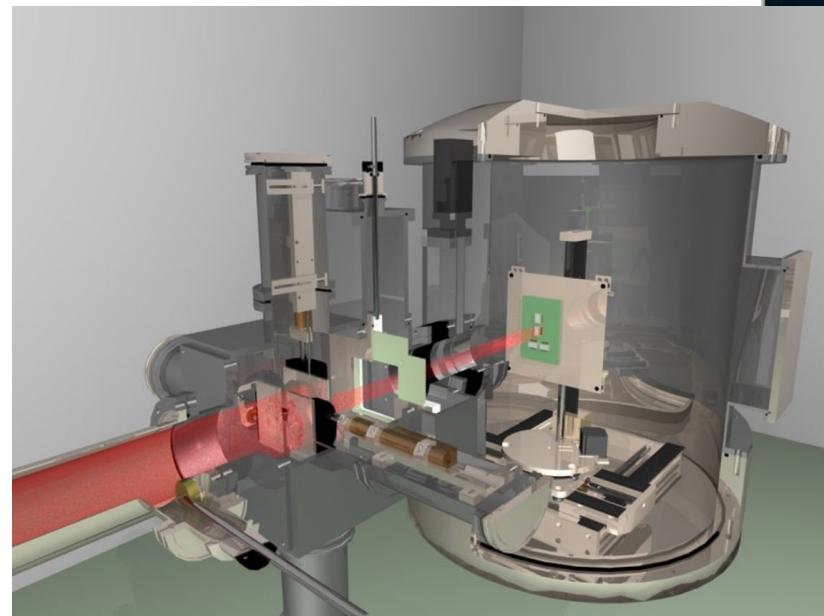
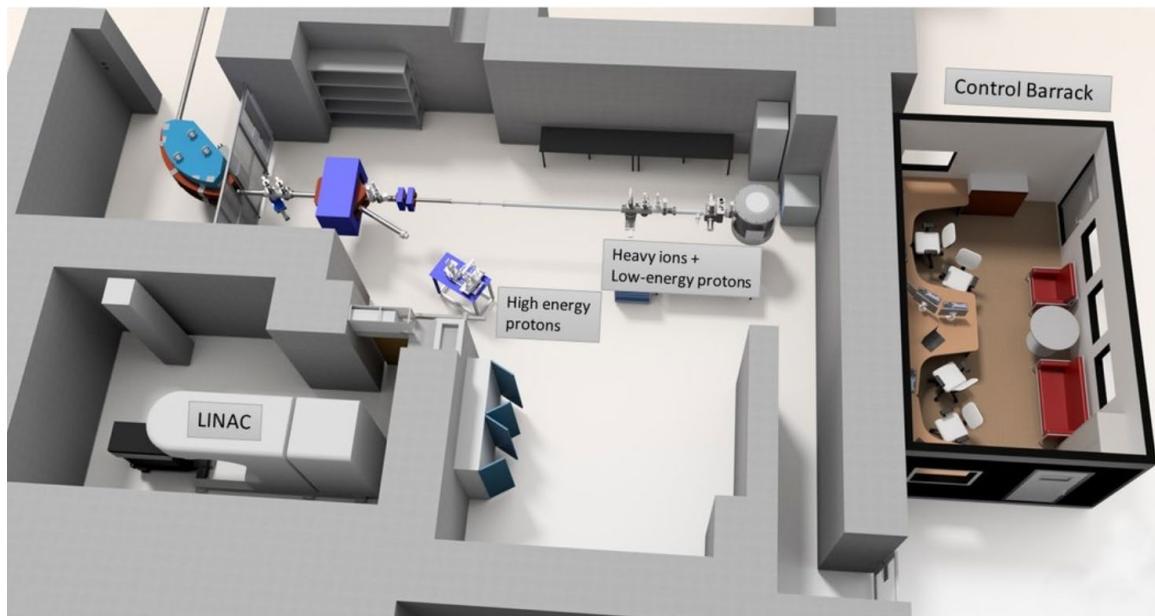
## 4 ion cocktails

### ❖ 9.3MeV/n, 10MeV/n, 16.3 MeV/n ; 22 MeV/n ion beams:

- Ion specie change in 15 minutes
- Intensity  $5 \times 10^5$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec
- Beam delivered in air or Vacuum
- Beam area 2x2cm and up to 10cm diameter.



**Also available:** protons



## Radiation Effects Facility, Jyvaskyla, Finland.

### ❖ 9,3 MeV/n ion cocktail:

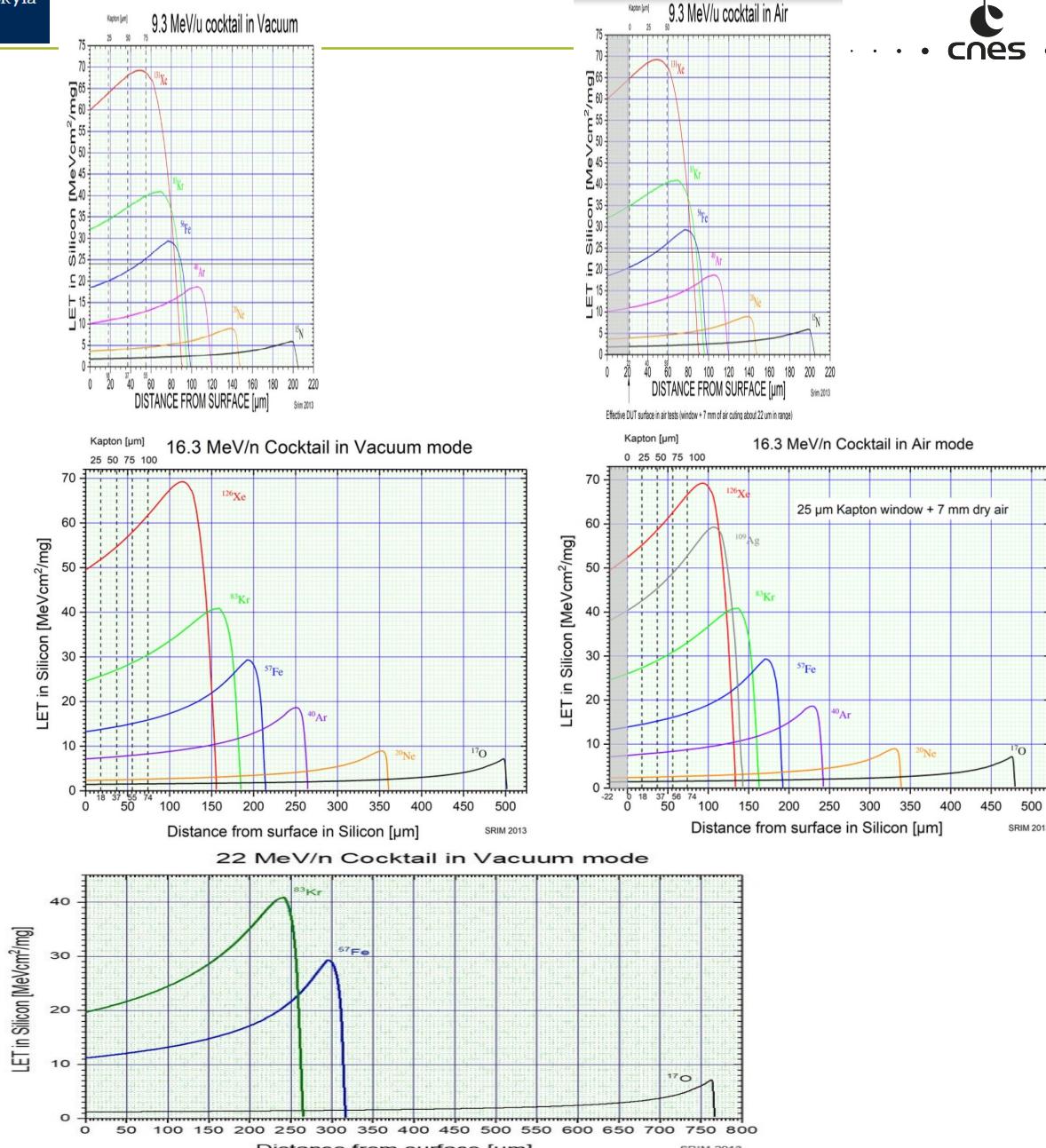
Ion	$\Delta m/q$ (%)	Energy [MeV]	LET at Surface [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	LET at Bragg peak [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	Range [μm]
<sup>15</sup> N <sup>4+</sup>	0	139	1.87	6.0(@198)	202
<sup>20</sup> Ne <sup>6+</sup> *	0	186	3.63	8.9(@138)	146
<sup>40</sup> Ar <sup>12+</sup> *	-0.06	372	10.1	18.6(@105)	118
<sup>56</sup> Fe <sup>15+</sup>	-0.56	523	18.6	29.3(@76)	97
<sup>83</sup> Kr <sup>22+</sup>	-0.71	768	32.2	40.9(@68)	94
<sup>131</sup> Xe <sup>35+</sup>	-0.26	1217	60.0	69.3(@50)	89

### ❖ 16,3 MeV/n ion cocktail:

Ion	$\Delta m/q$ (%)	Energy [MeV]	LET at Surface [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	LET at Bragg peak [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	Range [μm]
<sup>17</sup> O <sup>6+</sup>	-0.75	284	1.52	7.17(@477)	481
<sup>20</sup> Ne <sup>7+</sup>	0.06	328	2.3	8.95(@352)	360
<sup>40</sup> Ar <sup>14+</sup>	0	657	7.2	18.6(@251)	264
<sup>57</sup> Fe <sup>20+</sup>	-0.27	941	13.3	29.3(@192)	214
<sup>83</sup> Kr <sup>29+</sup>	0.16	1358	24.5	40.9(@159)	185
<sup>126</sup> Xe <sup>44+</sup>	0.25	2059	48.5	69.3(@119)	157

### ❖ 22 MeV/n ion cocktail:

Ion	$\Delta m/q$ (%)	Energy [MeV]	LET at Surface [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	LET at Bragg peak [MeV·cm <sup>2</sup> /mg]	Range [μm]
<sup>40</sup> Ar <sup>11+</sup>	4.02	400	9.7	18.6(@117)	130
<sup>84</sup> Kr <sup>23+</sup>	-0.22	840	31.3	40.9(@78)	104
<sup>197</sup> Au <sup>54+</sup>	0	1973	85.6	94.2(@56)	107

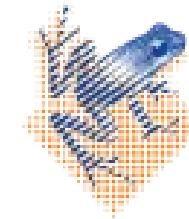
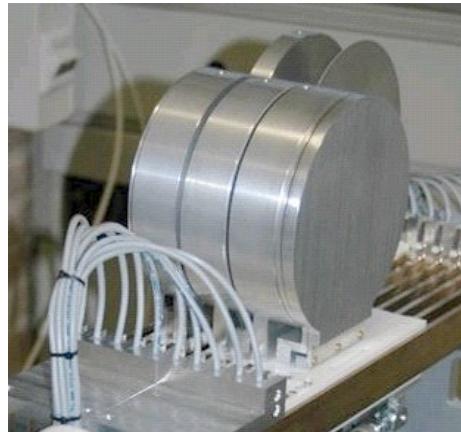


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AGOR cyclotron

Beam energy degrader

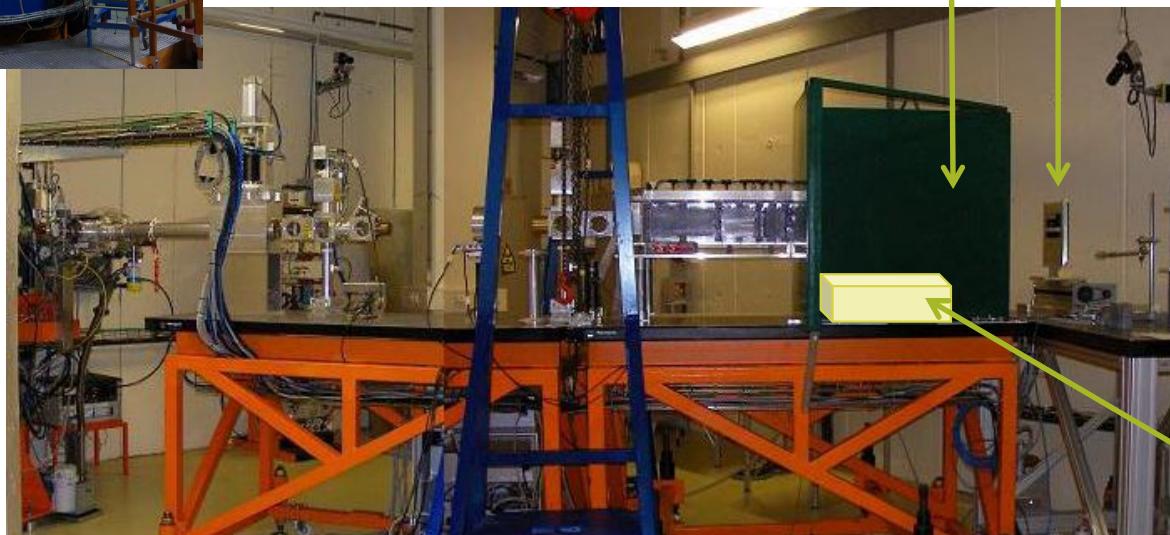


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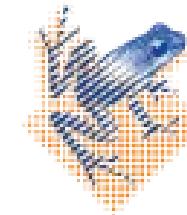
DUT holder



Possible close-to-DUT  
test system location

## Proton Beam characteristics:

- Energy at DUT level (using degraders): 10-184MeV
- Flux:  $10^8$  to  $10^9$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- Flux diameter at DUT level versus homogeneity:
  - Standard: 70 mm , 3%
  - Wider: 110mm, 10%
- Distance between DUT and Test system placed at:
  - Control room: 40 m
  - B-Lab: 15m
  - Close-to DUT location: 1m
- **Also available:** Heavy ions (not used by CNES yet)



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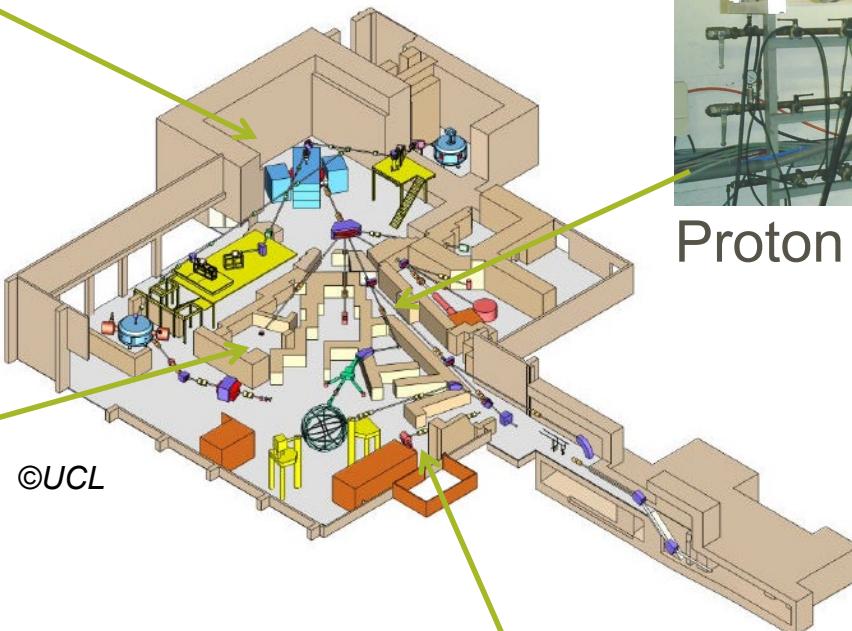
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Cyclone 110 cyclotron



Mono Energetic  
Neutron line (NIF)



Heavy ions line (HIF)

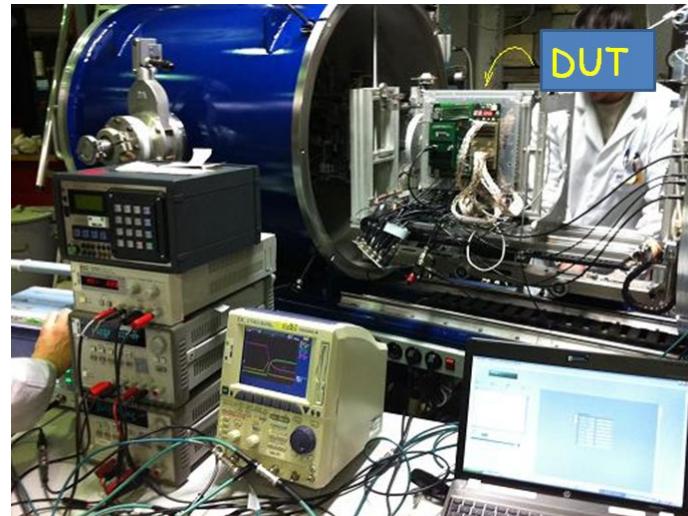


Proton Line (LIF)



## Heavy Ion Facility (HIF)

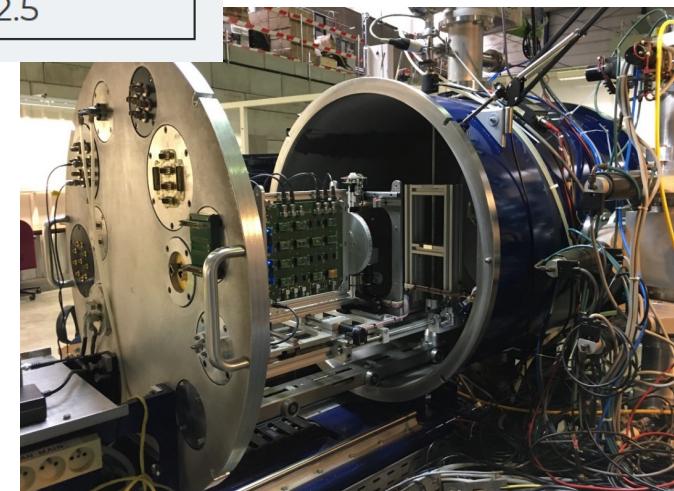
- HIF ion cocktail:



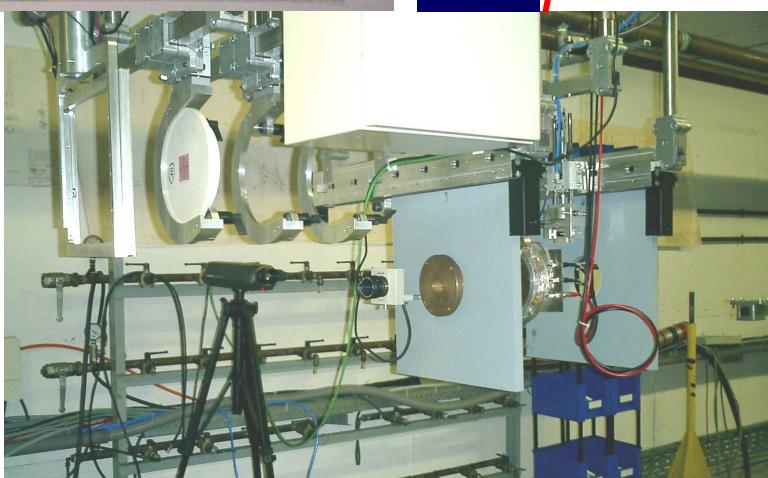
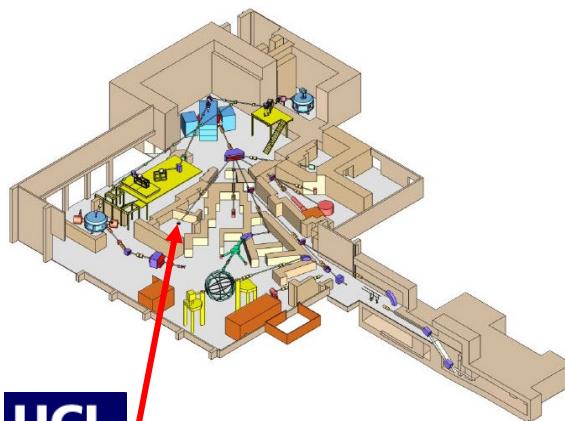
Available particles inside the cocktail:

M/Q	Ion	DUT energy [MeV]	Range [ $\mu\text{m Si}$ ]	LET [MeV/(mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )]
3.25	$^{13}\text{C}^{4+}$	131	269.3	1.3
3.14	$^{22}\text{Ne}^{7+}$	238	202.0	3.3
3.37	$^{27}\text{Al}^{8+}$	250	131.2	5.7
3.27	$^{36}\text{Ar}^{11+}$	353	114.0	9.9
3.31	$^{53}\text{Cr}^{16+}$	505	105.5	16.1
3.22	$^{58}\text{Ni}^{18+}$	582	100.5	20.4
3.35	$^{84}\text{Kr}^{25+}$	769	94.2	32.4
3.32	$^{103}\text{Rh}^{31+}$	957	87.3	46.1
3.54	$^{124}\text{Xe}^{35+}$	995	73.1	62.5

- Typical fluxes few particles/cm<sup>2</sup>/s to  $1,5 \cdot 10^4$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- Beam diameter: 2.5 cm (10% homogeneity)



## Light Ion Facility (LIF)



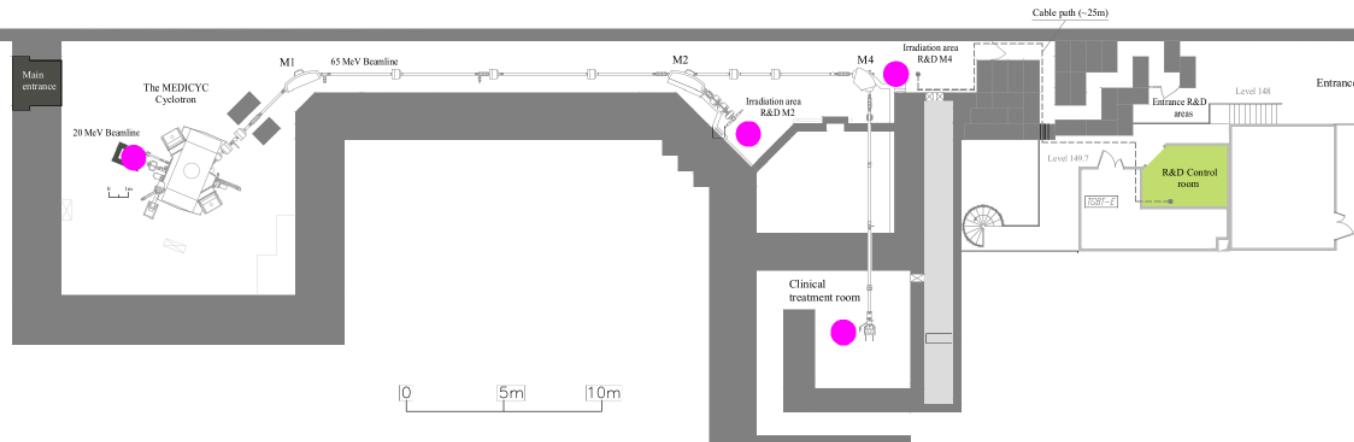
### Proton line

- E 10-62MeV
- DUT in original package
- Control room 10m
- Flux :  $1000 - 2E8$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- Beam: 8x8cm (10% homogeneity)
- DUT and irradiation room activation
  - Limited effect compared to KVI
  - Quarantine for irradiated samples

# Centre Antoine Lacassagne (Nice):

## The Medicyc Facility

- Isochronous cyclotron, 65 MeV proton
- In 2020, a collaboration project started between CAL and CNES
- Radiation hardness tests
- $1E4 \rightarrow 1E11$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- Possibility to use in the near future 230 MeV protons



# Radiation sources: Example of a Co60 source for TID testing

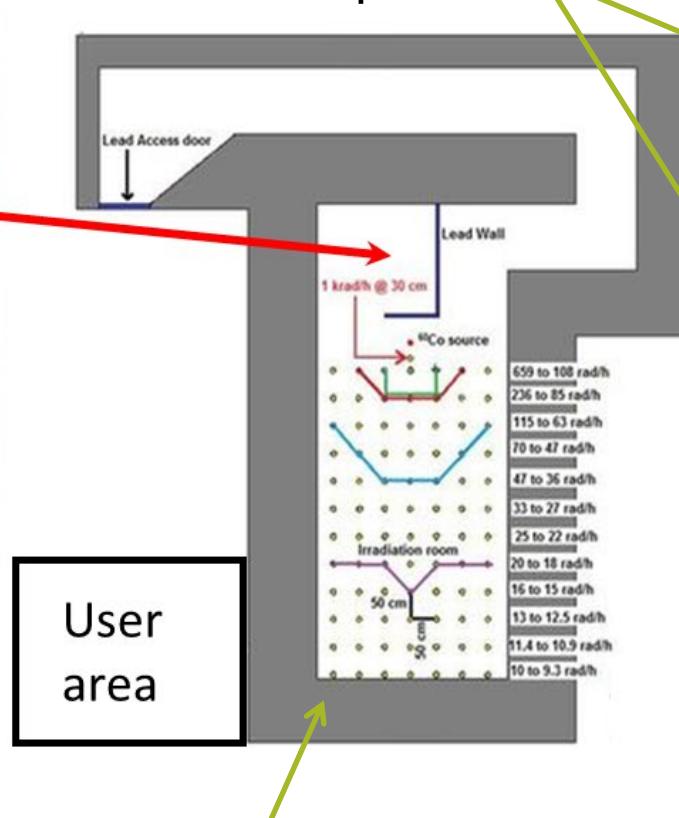
## GAMRAY (TRAD, Toulouse) based on a panoramic irradiator.

Source Activity: ~400Cu, Dose Rate: 10rad(Si)/h to 4krad(Si)/h without shielding.

Depleted U shielded storage chamber



Various samples under exposure

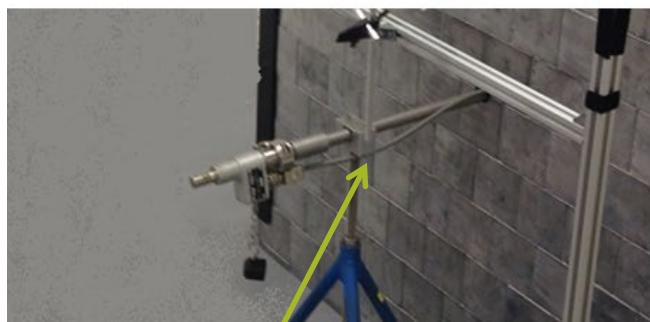


Additional Lead shielding wall



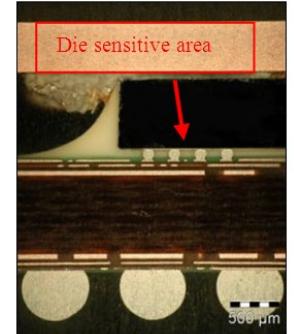
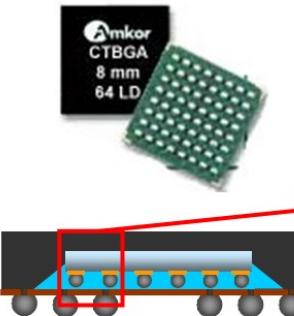
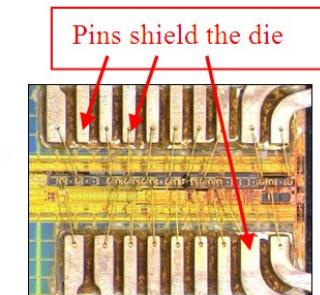
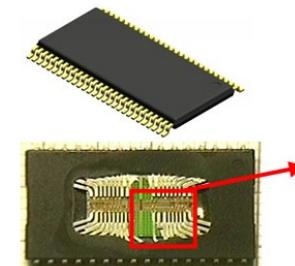
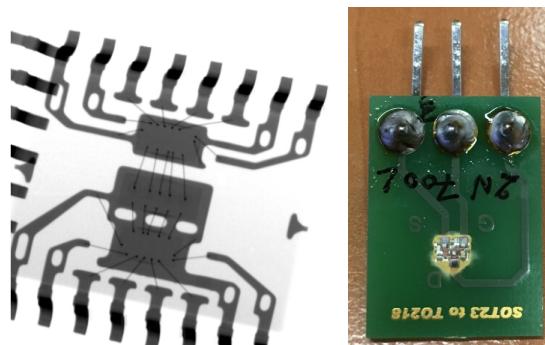
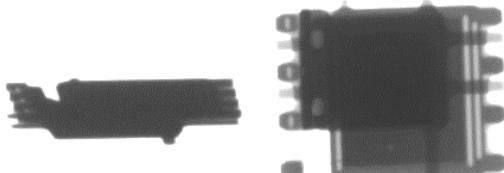
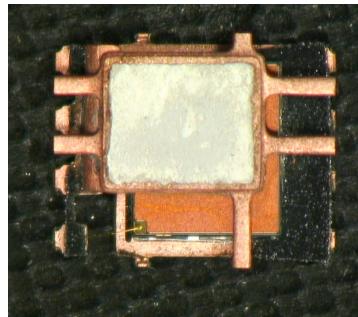
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Source guide



## Heavy ion facilities are quite rare and there is not enough beam time.

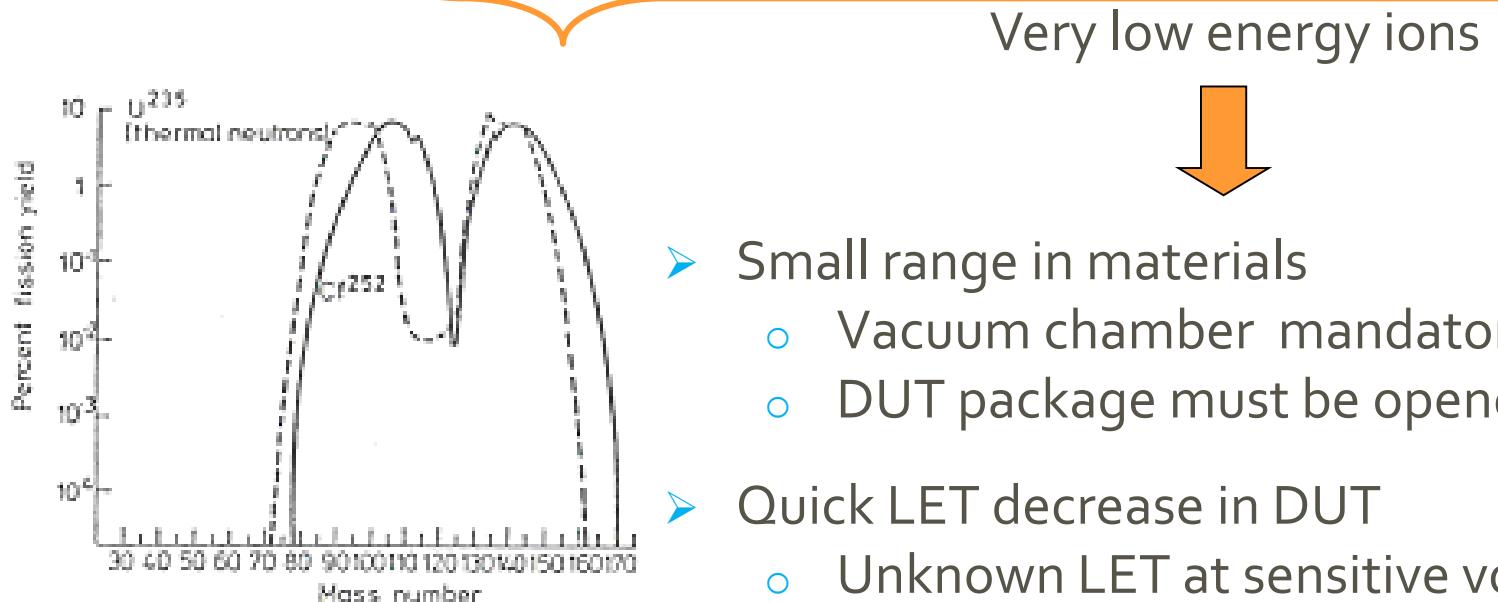
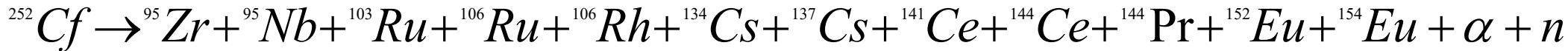
- We try to develop alternative testing techniques:
  - to limit conventional beam time when possible (R&D)
  - To solve issues when test with conventional beam is not possible



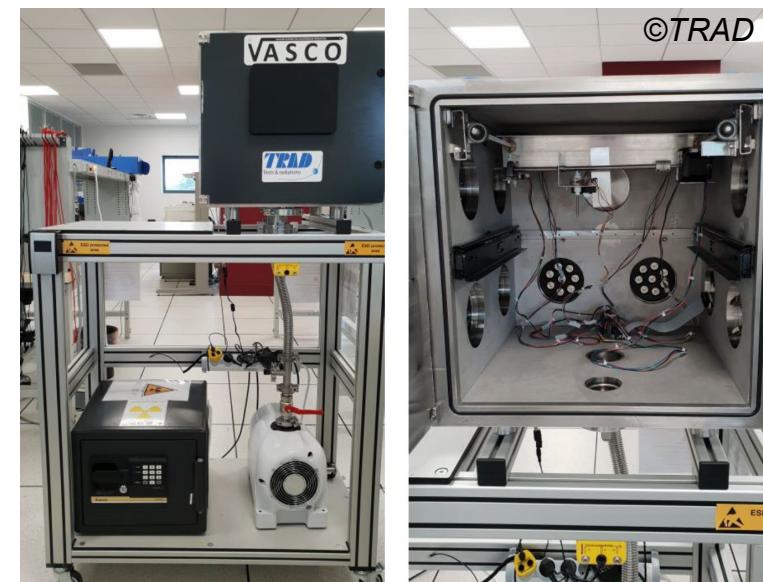
# Complementary facility: Cf252 source

Cf252 source is not a standard facility.

- Used by space community for SEE pre-test or hardware validation.



- Small range in materials
  - Vacuum chamber mandatory
  - DUT package must be opened
- Quick LET decrease in DUT
  - Unknown LET at sensitive volume
- Test in vacuum => same constraints than heavy ion beams.



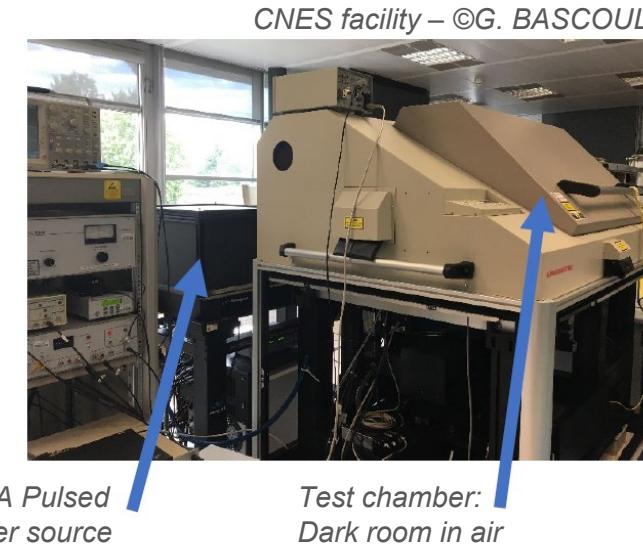
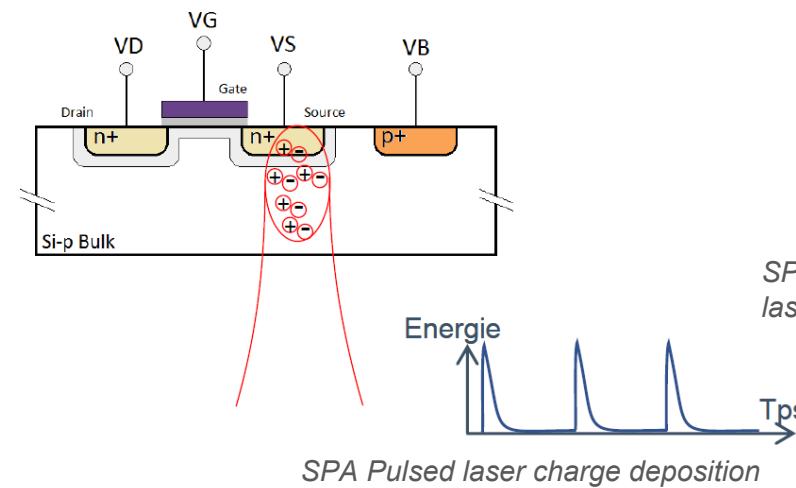
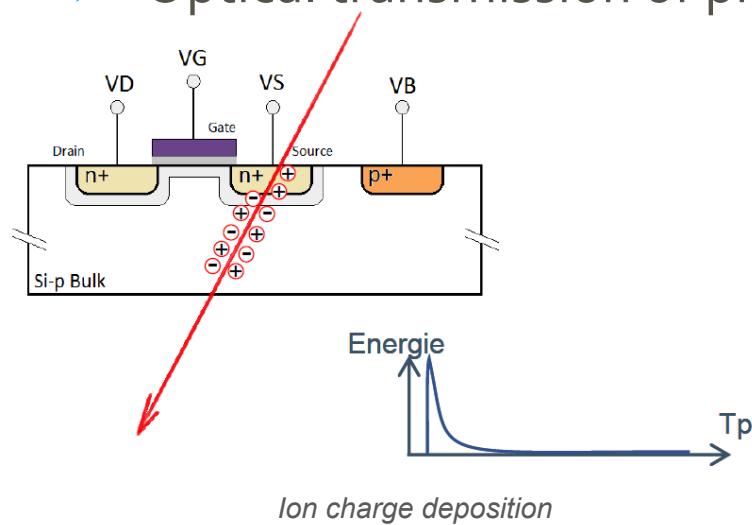
VASCO Cf252 facility at TRAD

# Complementary facility: Laser source

Pulsed laser beam is not a standard facility.

- Used by space community for SEE complementary investigations or hardware validation.

- Localization of sensitive areas (spot size  $1\mu\text{m}$ )
- Fault injection “at home”
- Optical transmission of photons:  $\lambda < 1064\text{nm}$  (in Si)



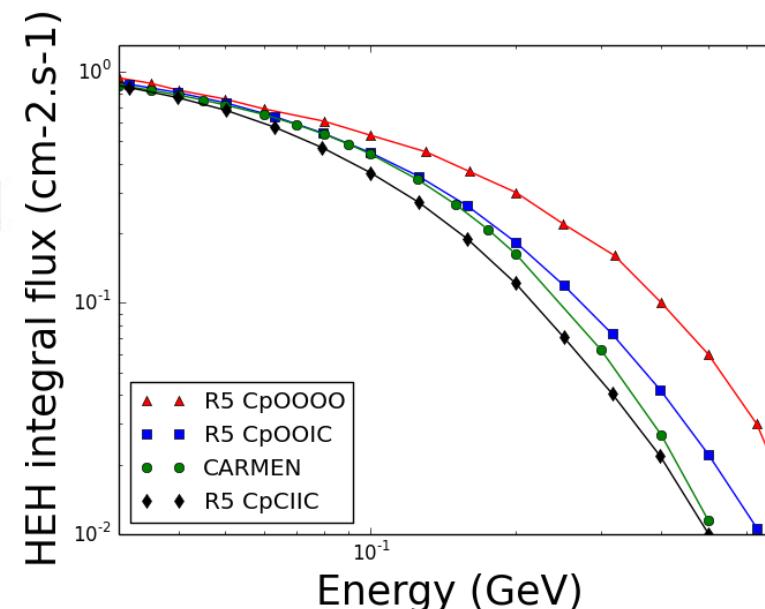
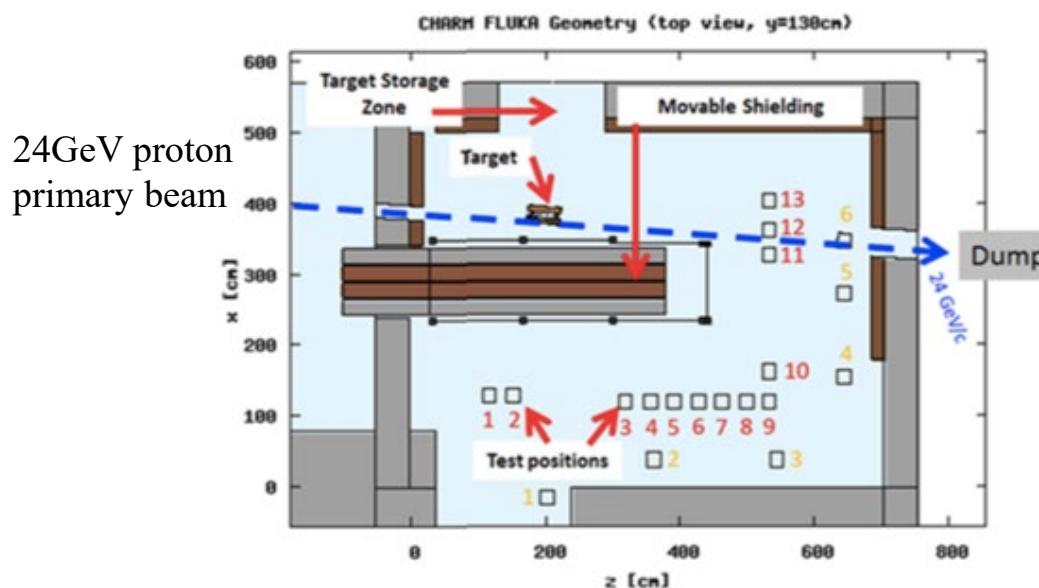
- Backside irradiation: to avoid metal lines shadowing
- Sample preparation: thinning and polishing.
- Two Photo Absorption: better localization in z but much more complex than SPA

# Complementary facility: Mixed- field

## CERN High energy AcceleRator Mixed field facility (CHARM), Geneva, Switzerland

- Used for component/system level fault injection vs mission profile

- Mixed (p+, n, ...) spectrum 0-200MeV up to 24GeV.
- Various irradiation conditions with DUT location and shielding combinations
- Possibility to irradiate component, board, equipment



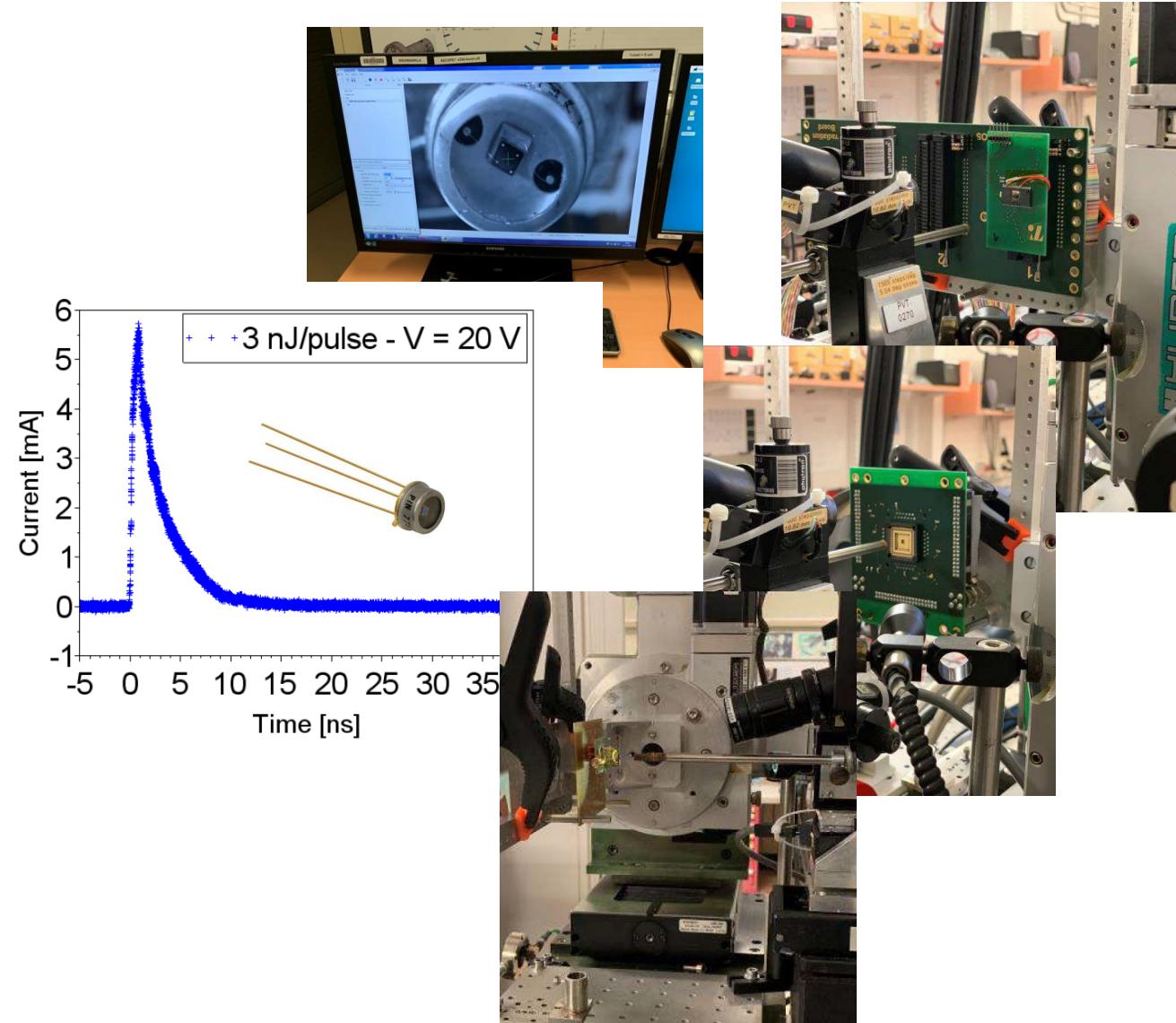
Comparison of integral flux for space (CARMEN) and different configuration in position 5 normalized to the HEH flux at 20MeV



# Complementary facility: Pulsed X-Rays

## European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF), Grenoble, France

- ❖ First validation test campaign end 2018
- ❖ Second campaign On-Going
  - Spot size diameter 5-25µm
  - Pulse duration <100ps
  - Photon energy 7-30keV
  - Pulse energy: 0,1-600nJ
- ❖ Energy deposition equivalence proven
- ❖ Continued in 2021
  - XY spot localization control
  - Energy selection vs thickness
  - Repeatability
  - SEL sensitive volume localization
  - Test of GaN power devices



# QUESTIONS ?

