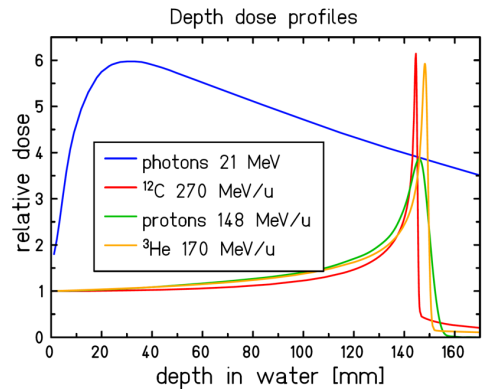


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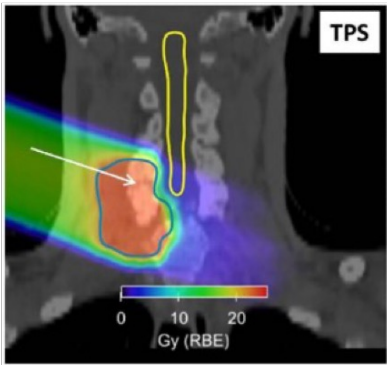
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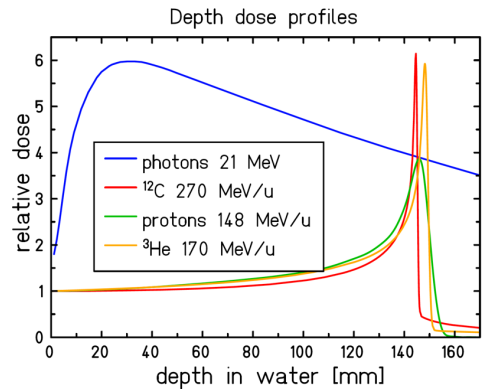


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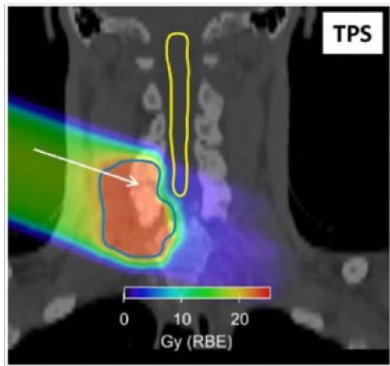


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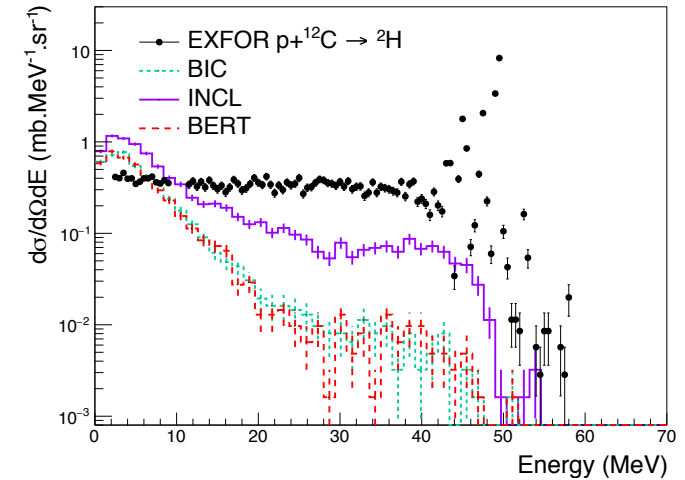
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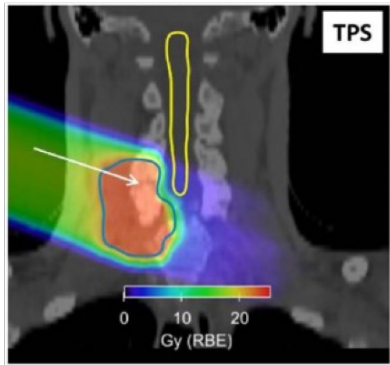
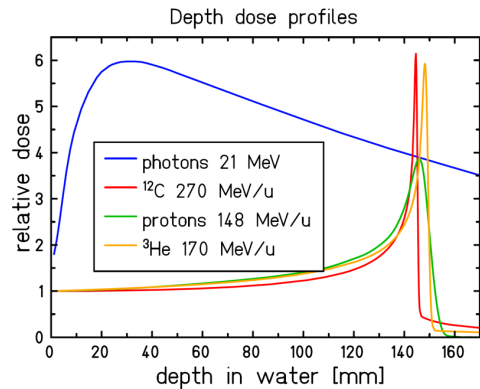
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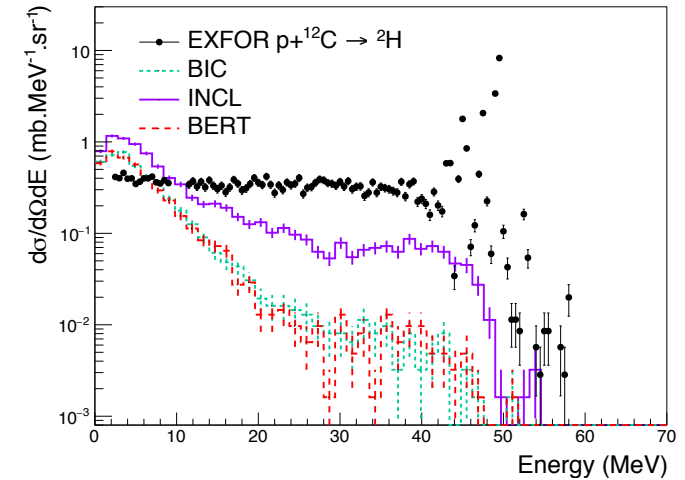
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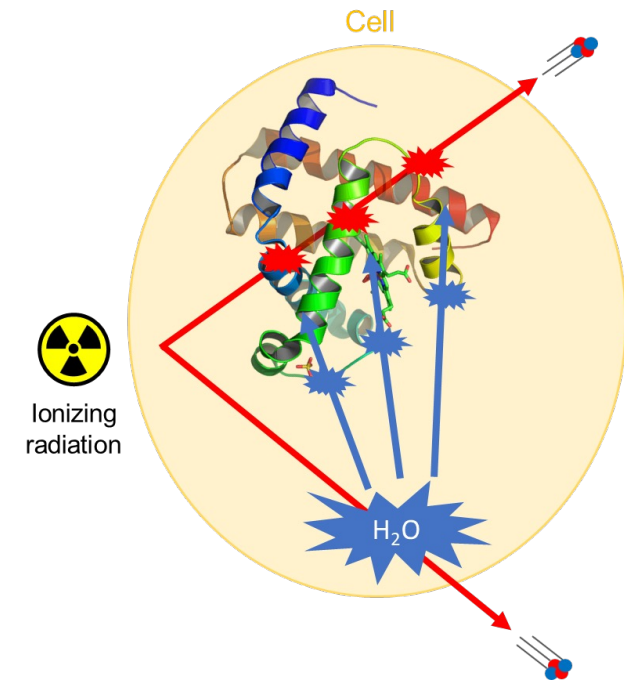


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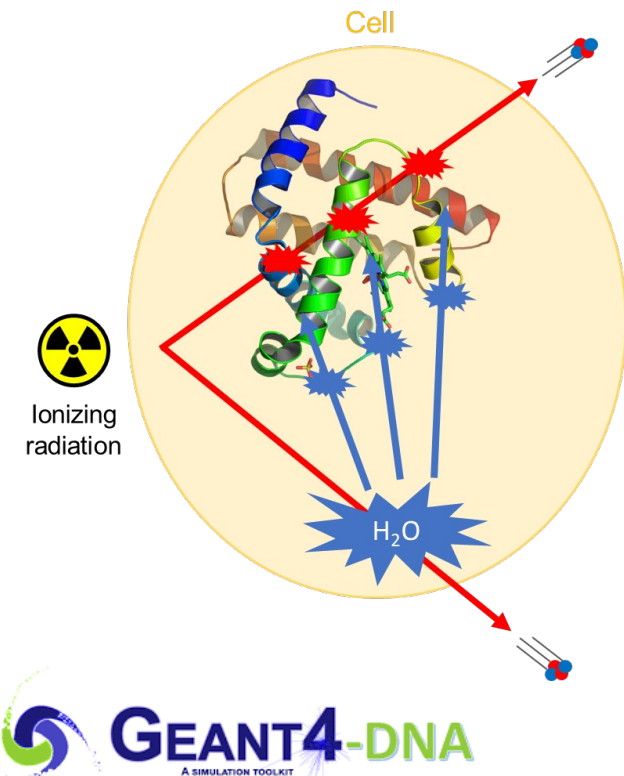
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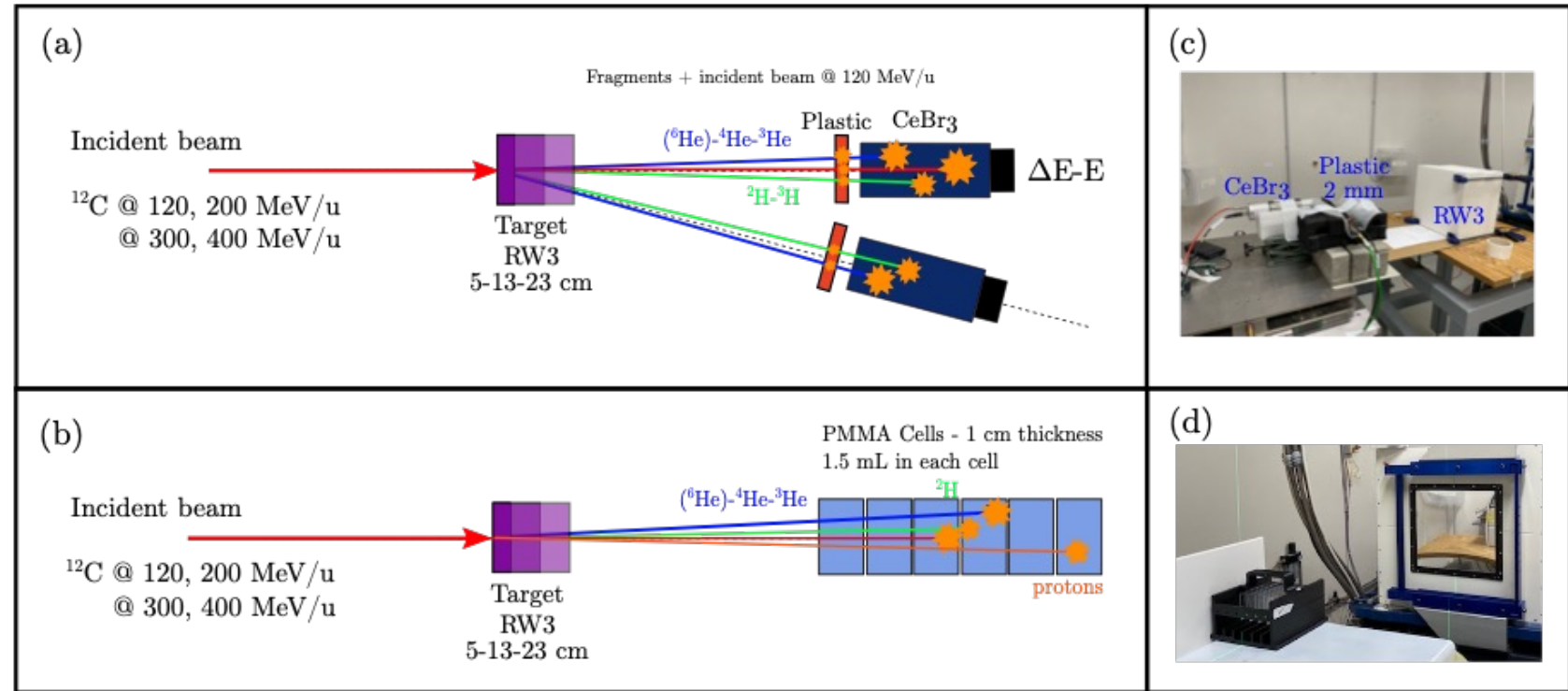
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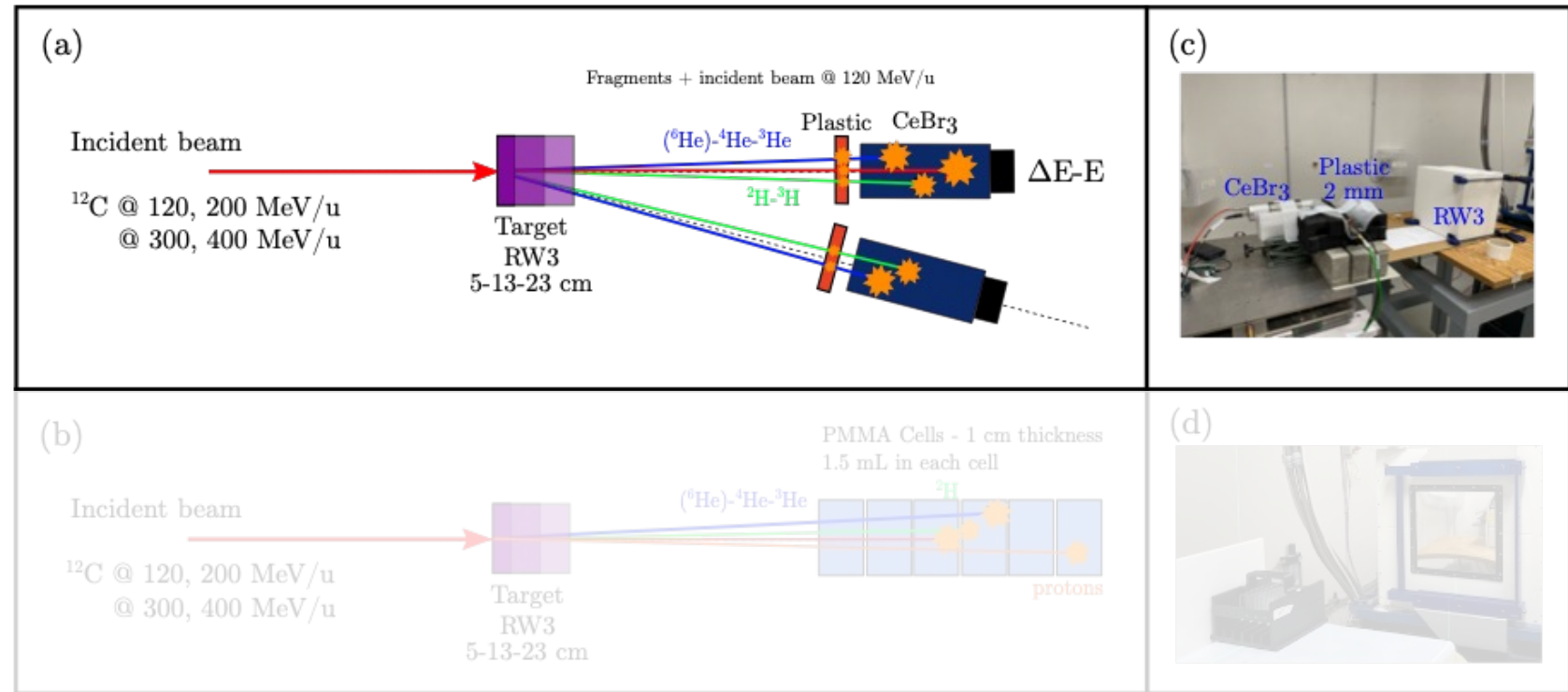
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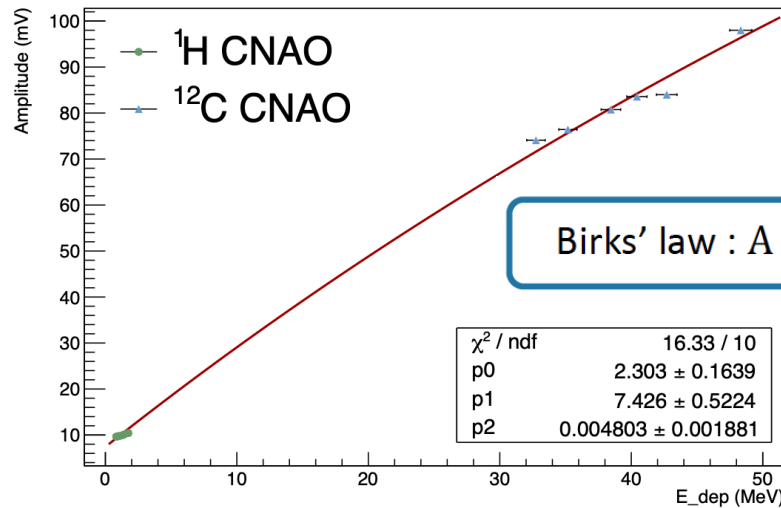
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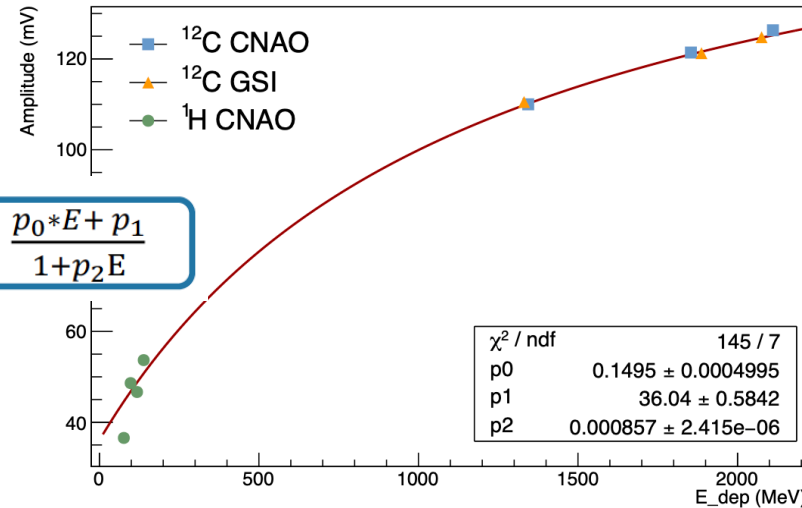
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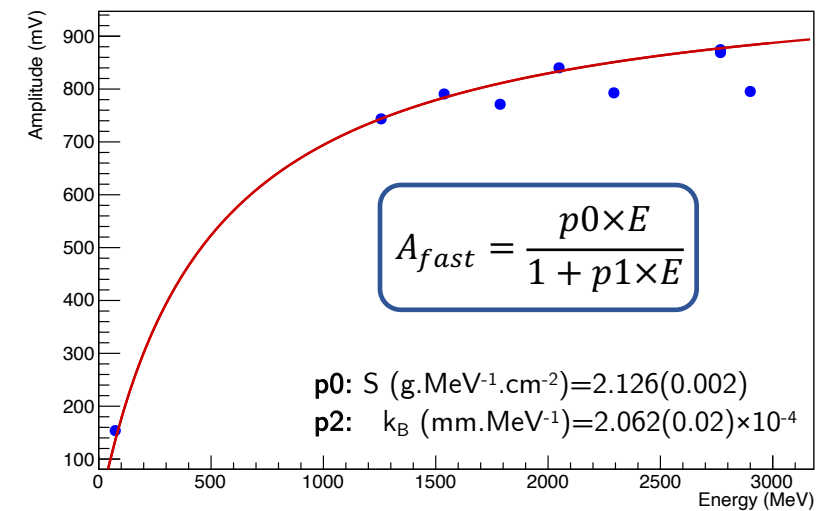
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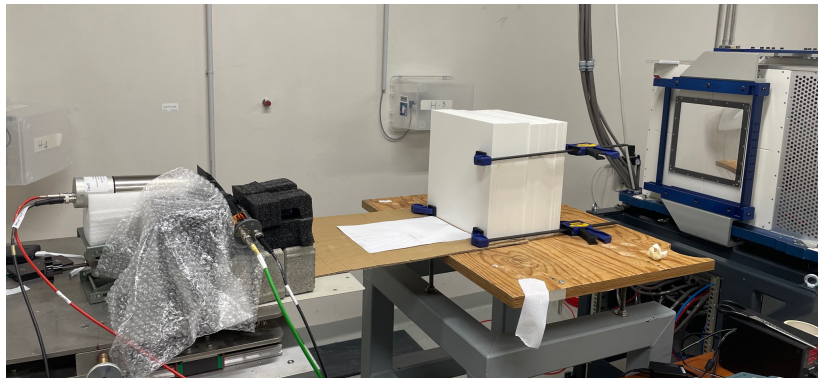
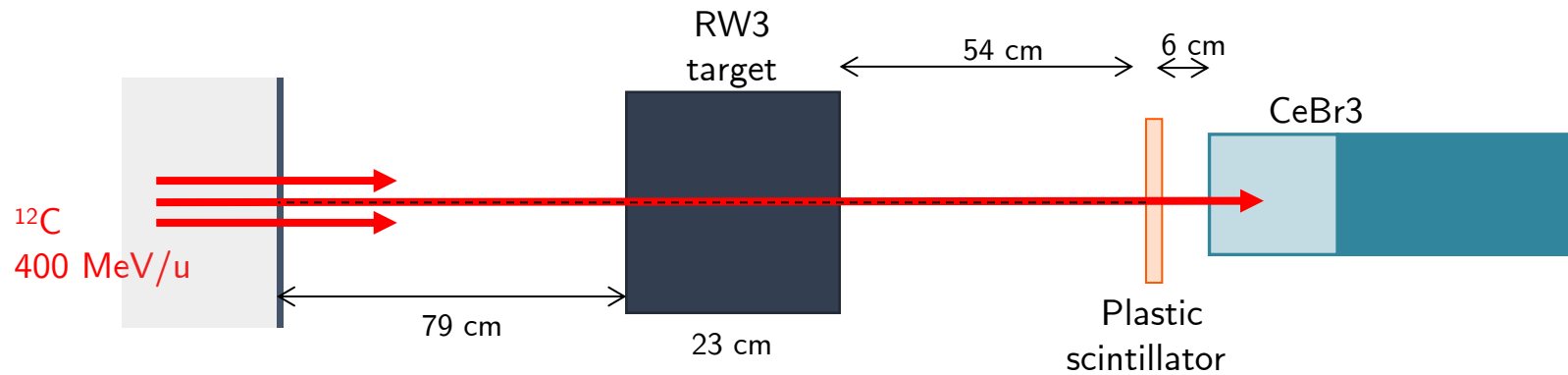
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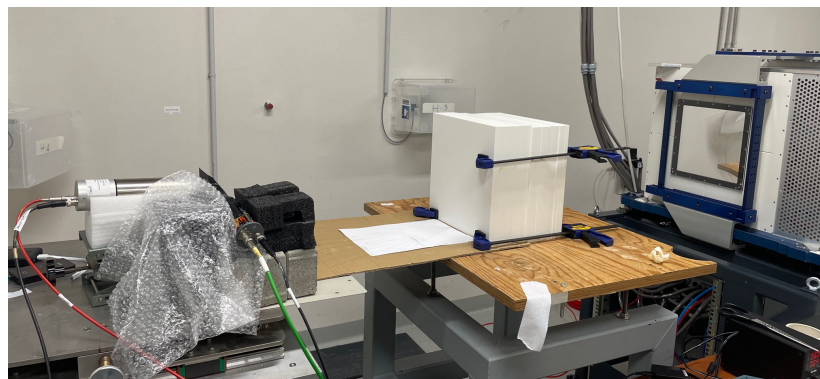
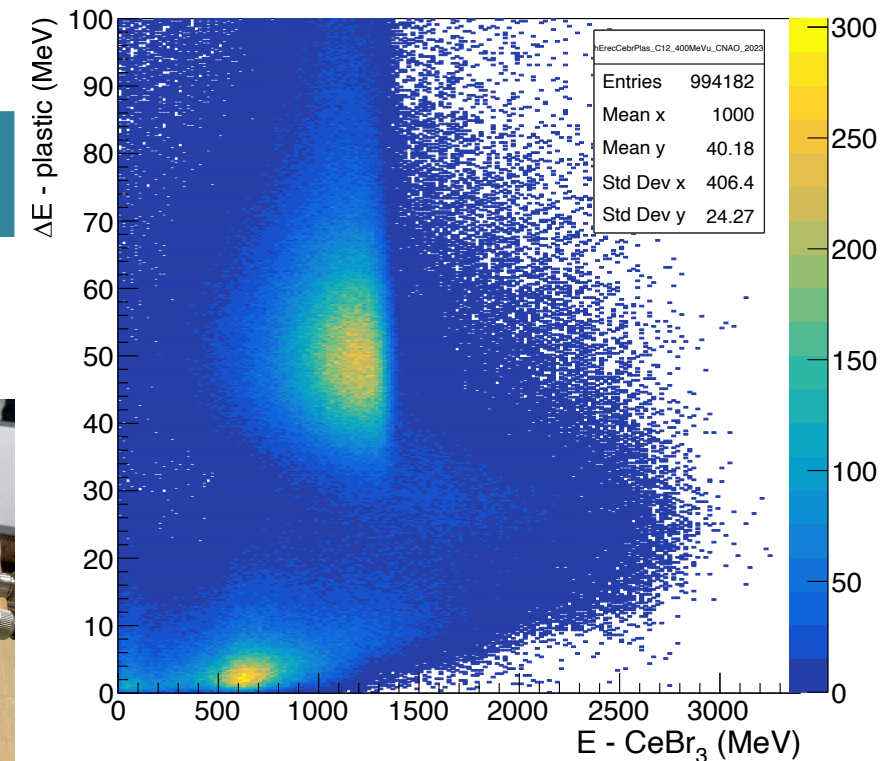
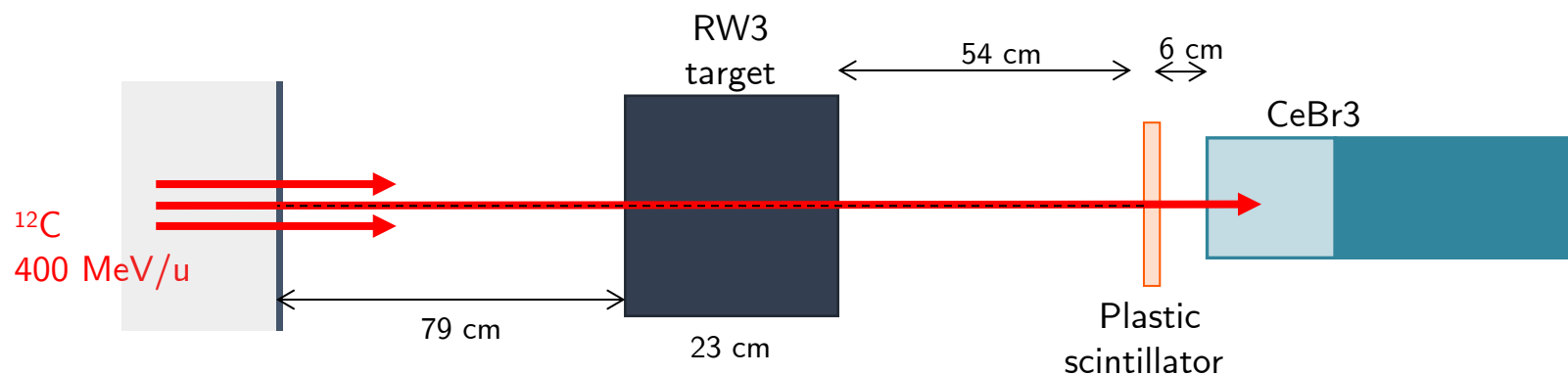
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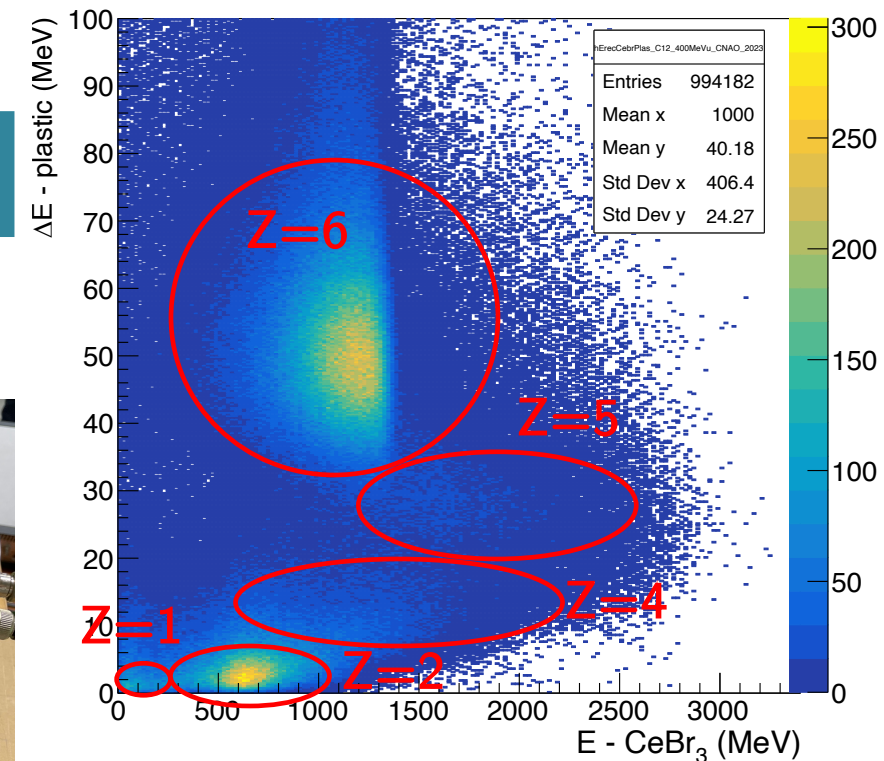
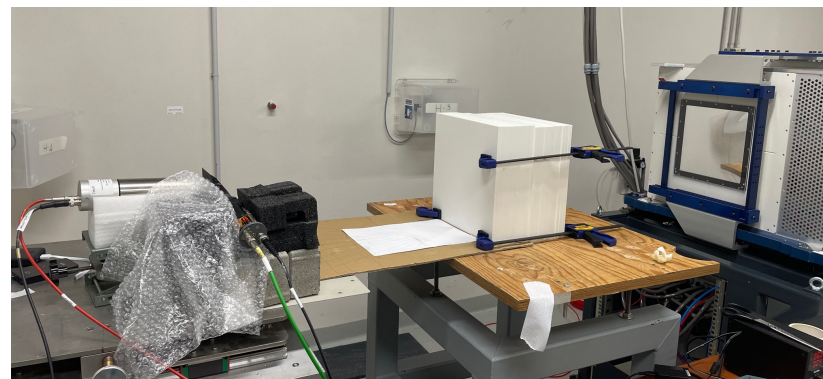
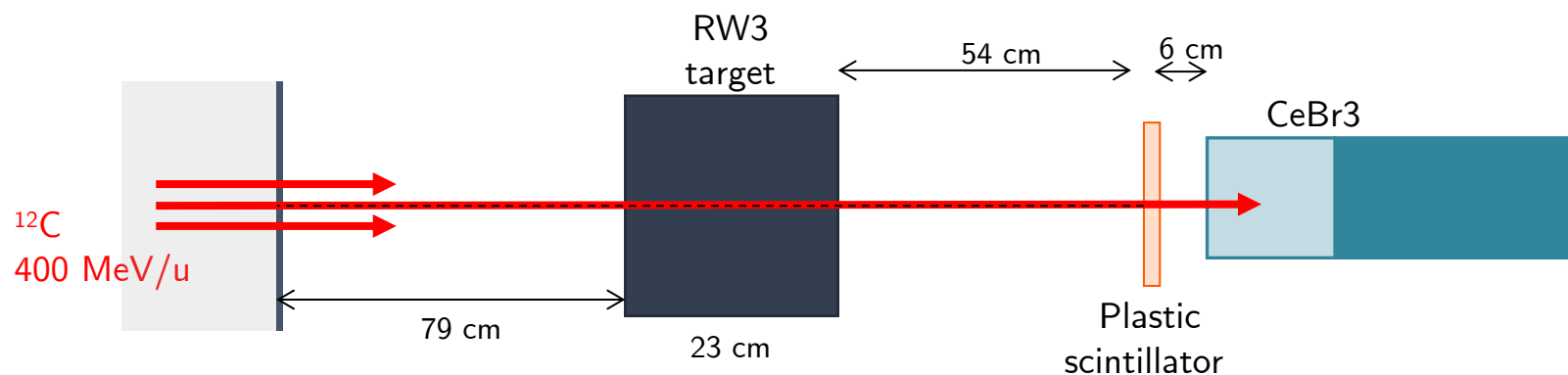
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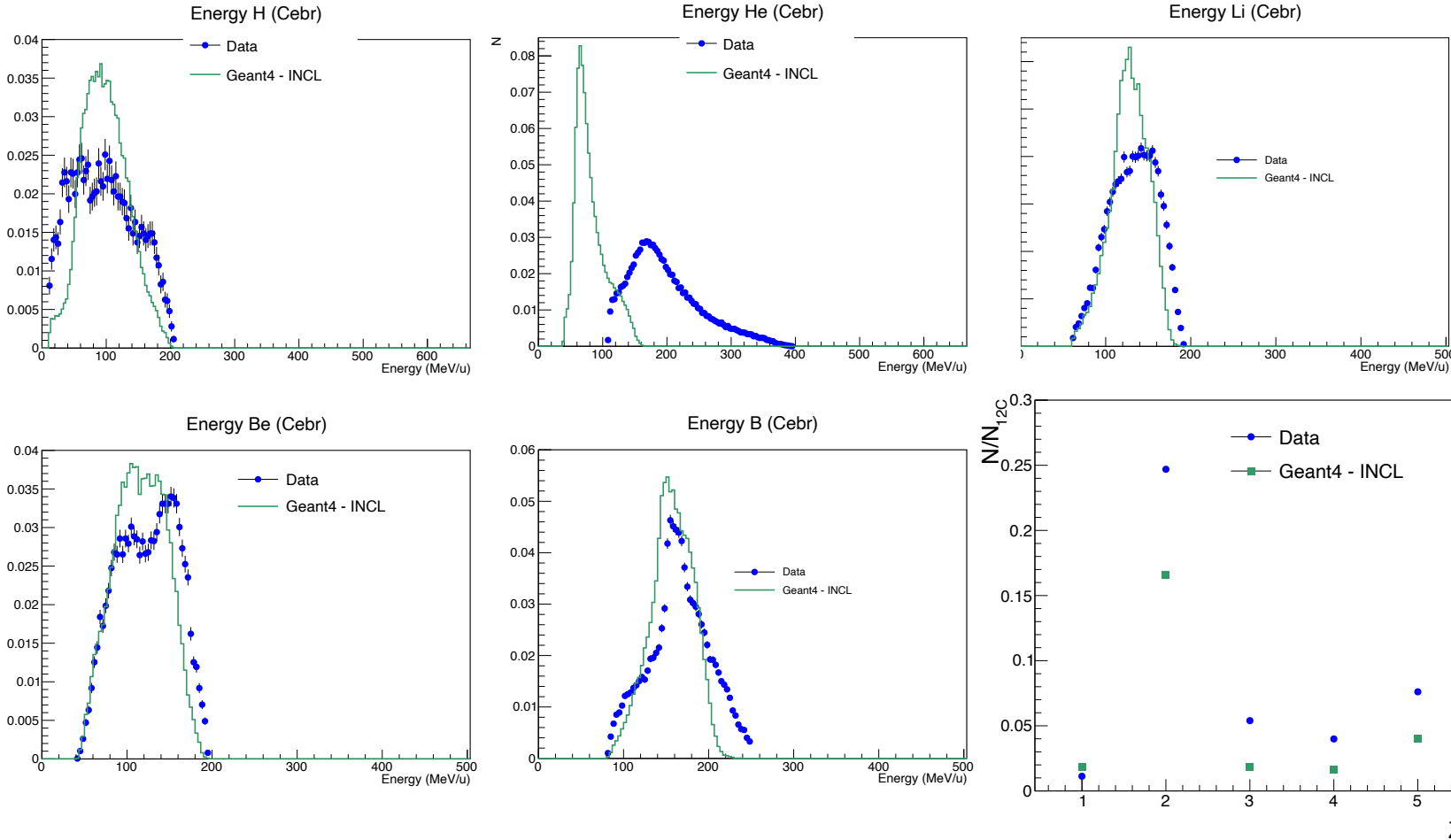


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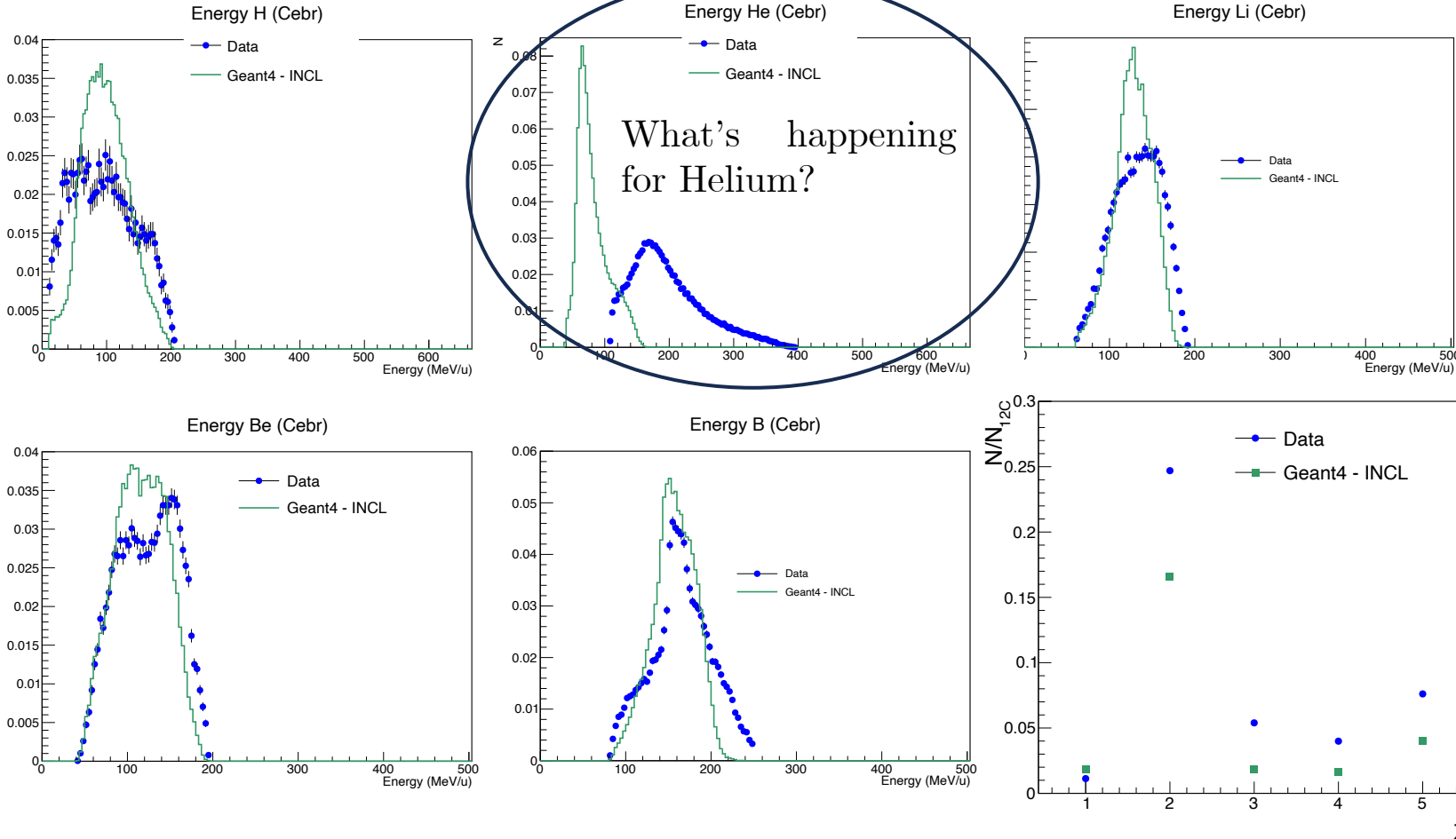
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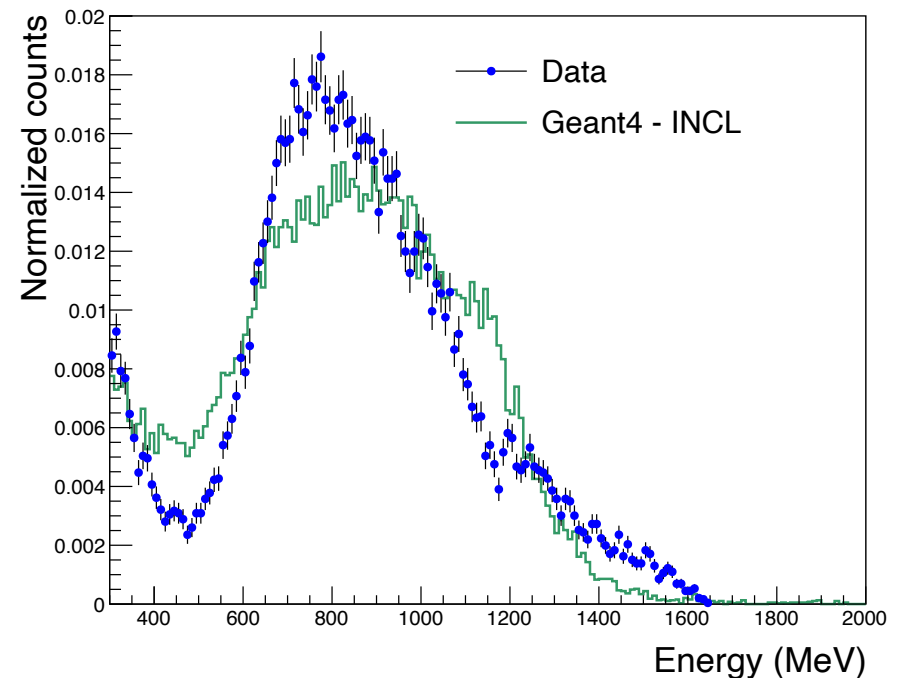
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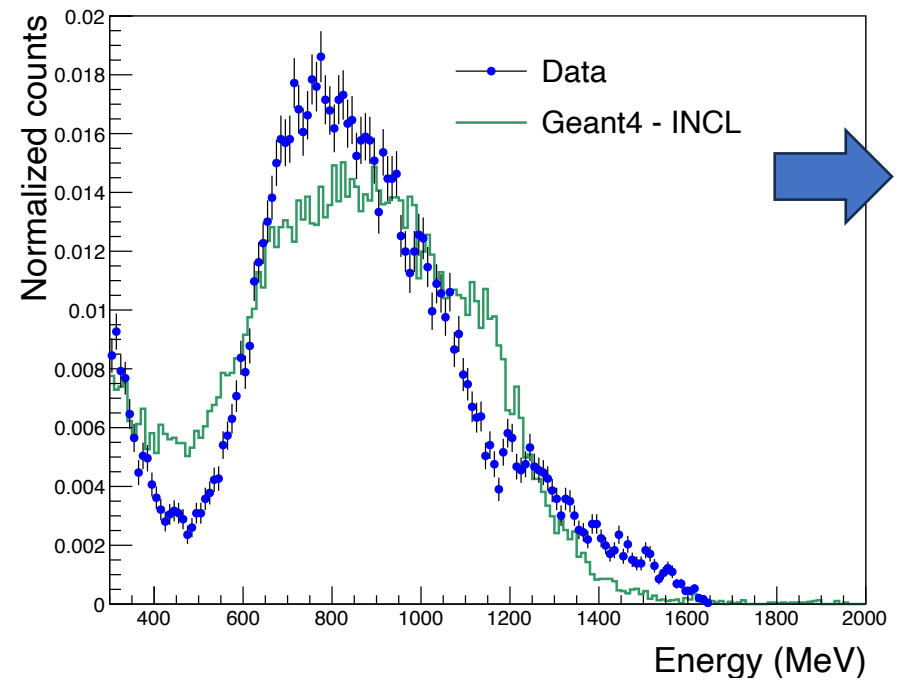


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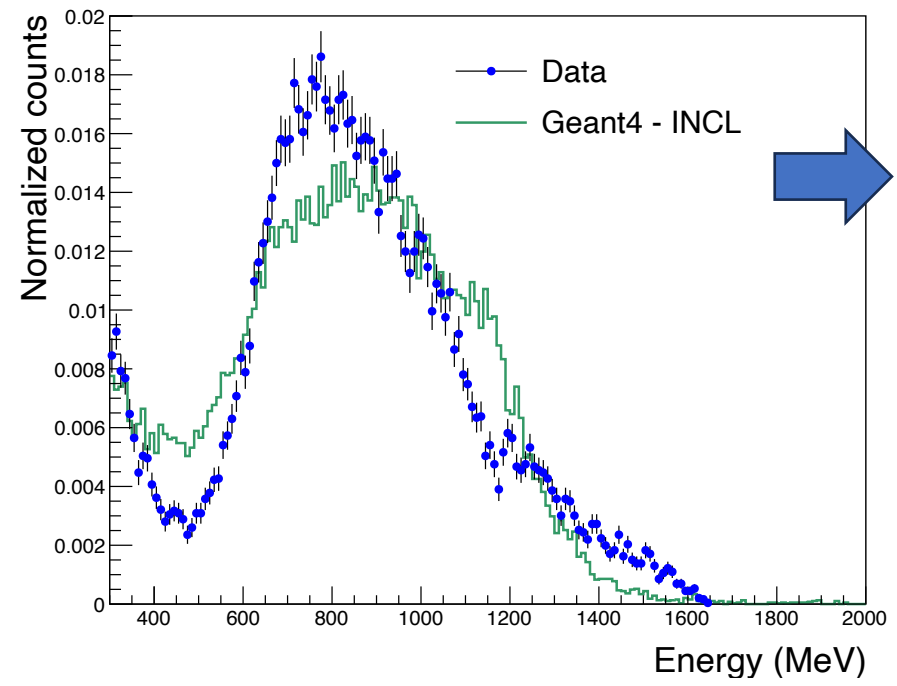
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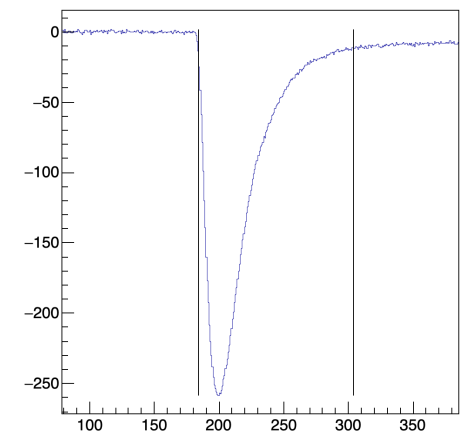
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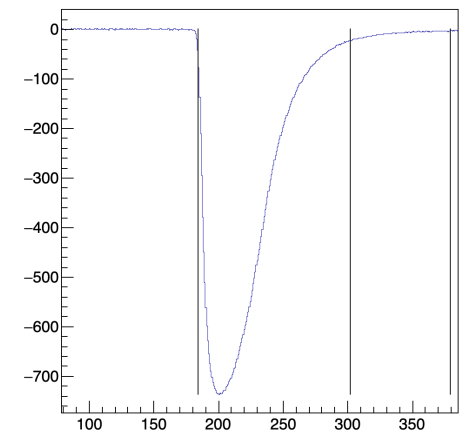


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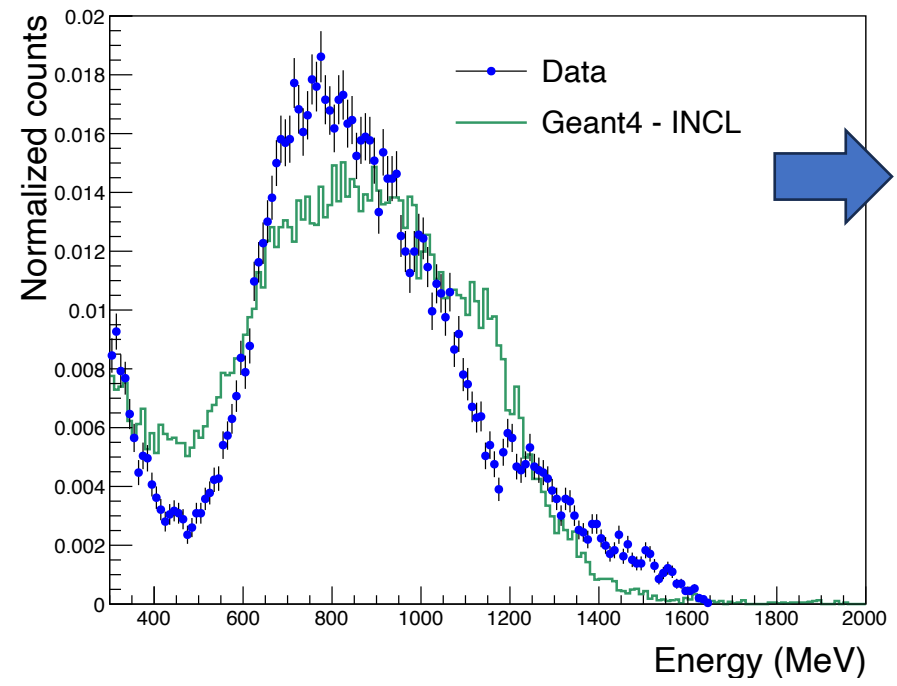
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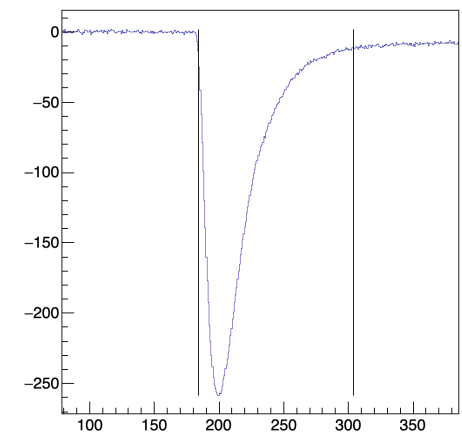
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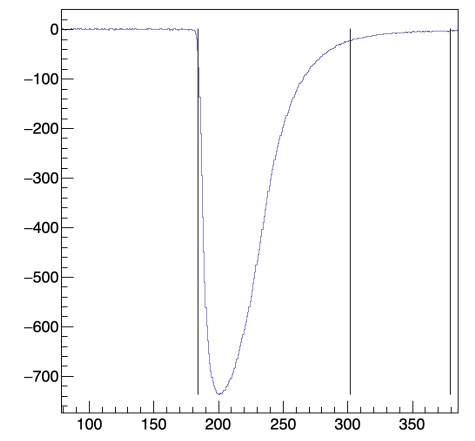


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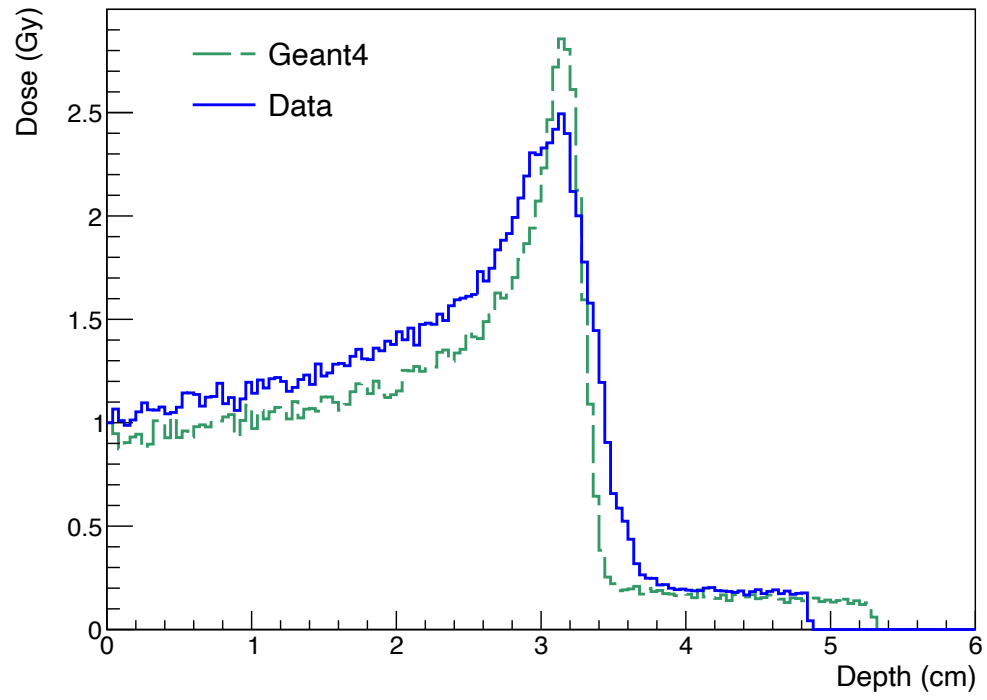
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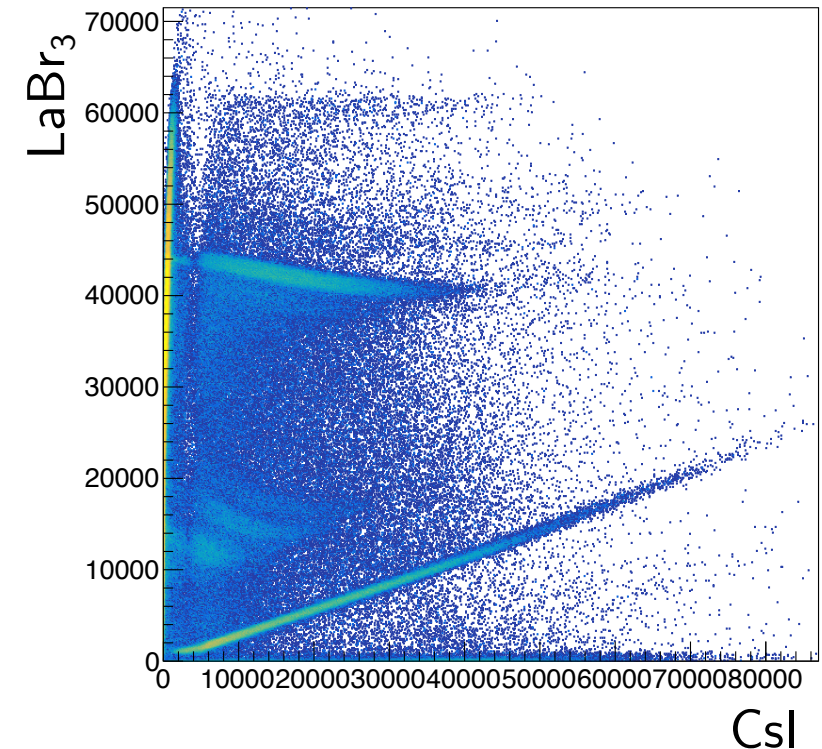
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Prospects

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- Calibration of CsI part of the phoswich detector for higher energy particles + isotopes identification
- Time-of-Flight measurements to evaluate high energy neutrons field
- New experiments to complete existing measurements @ CNAO, GANIL
 - ❖ ΔE with silicon detectors in order to improve energy resolution and identify isotopes
 - ❖ Other ions? (^4He , ^7Li)



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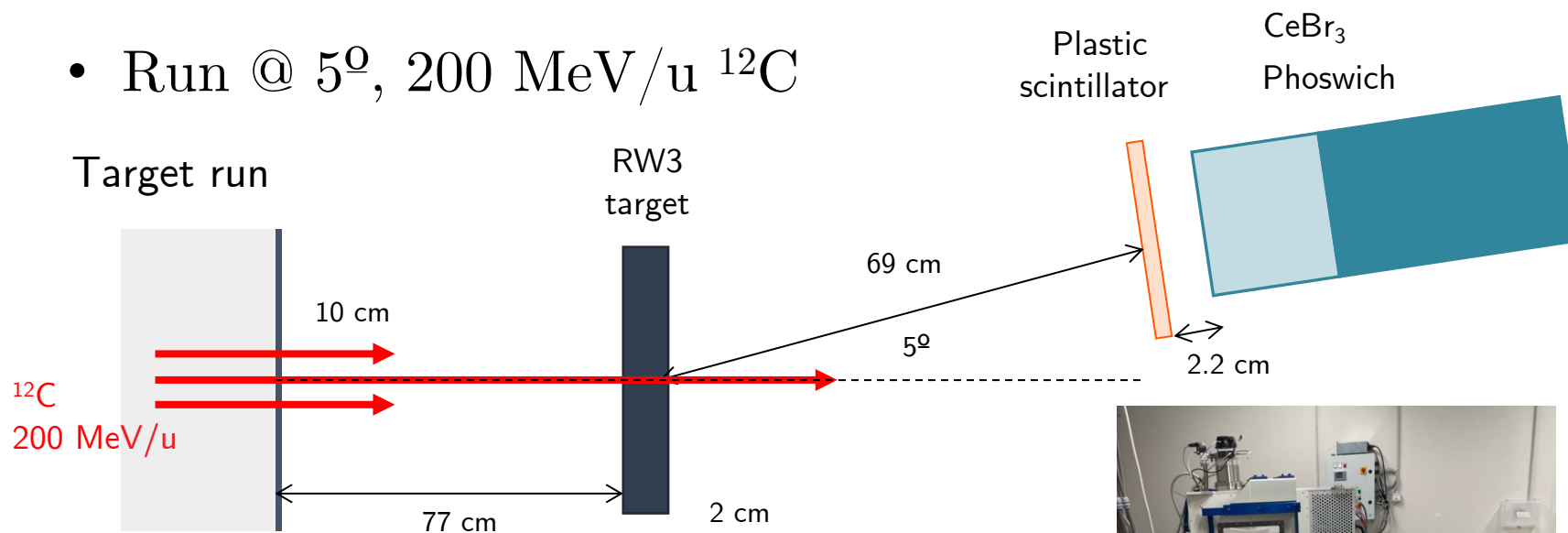


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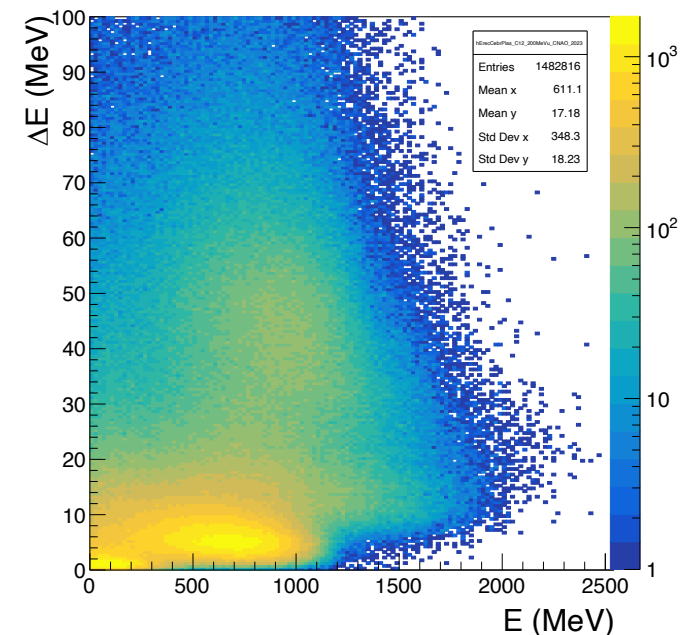
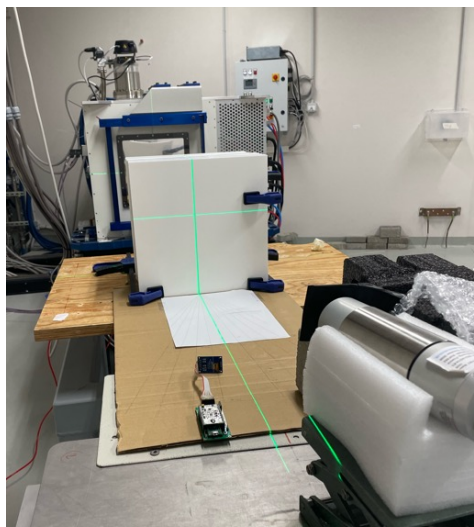
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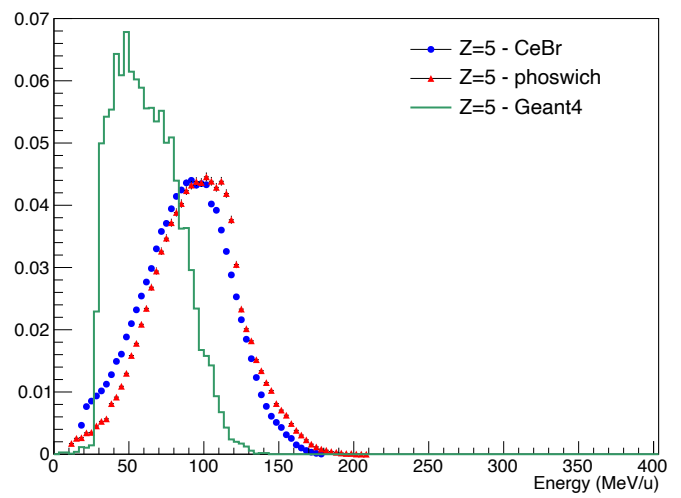
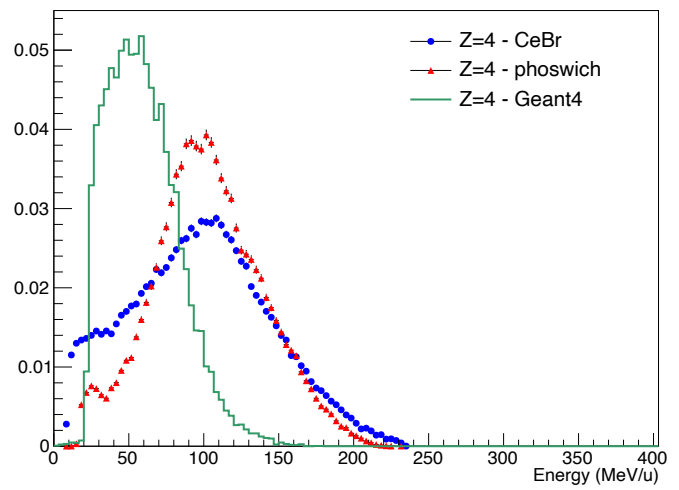
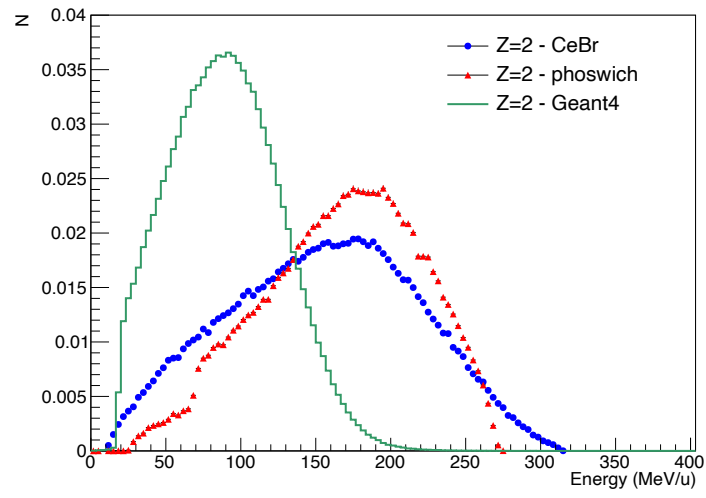
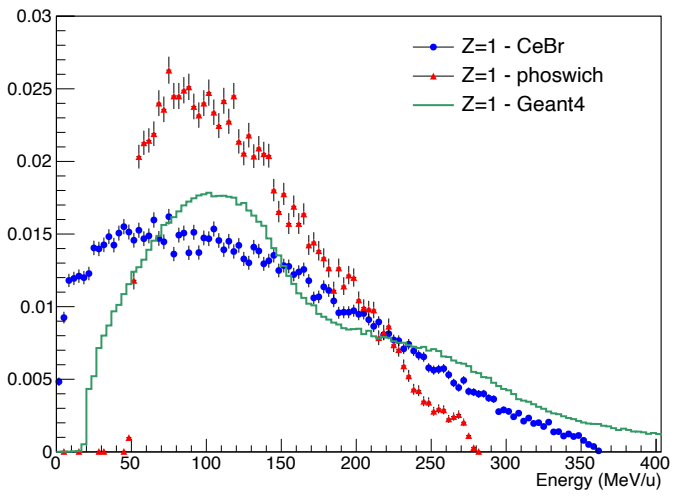
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