



Instrumentation GANIL/SPIRAL2

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Not exhaustive list

GANIL – SPIRAL2

SPIRAL2 / LINAC



CYCLOTRONS

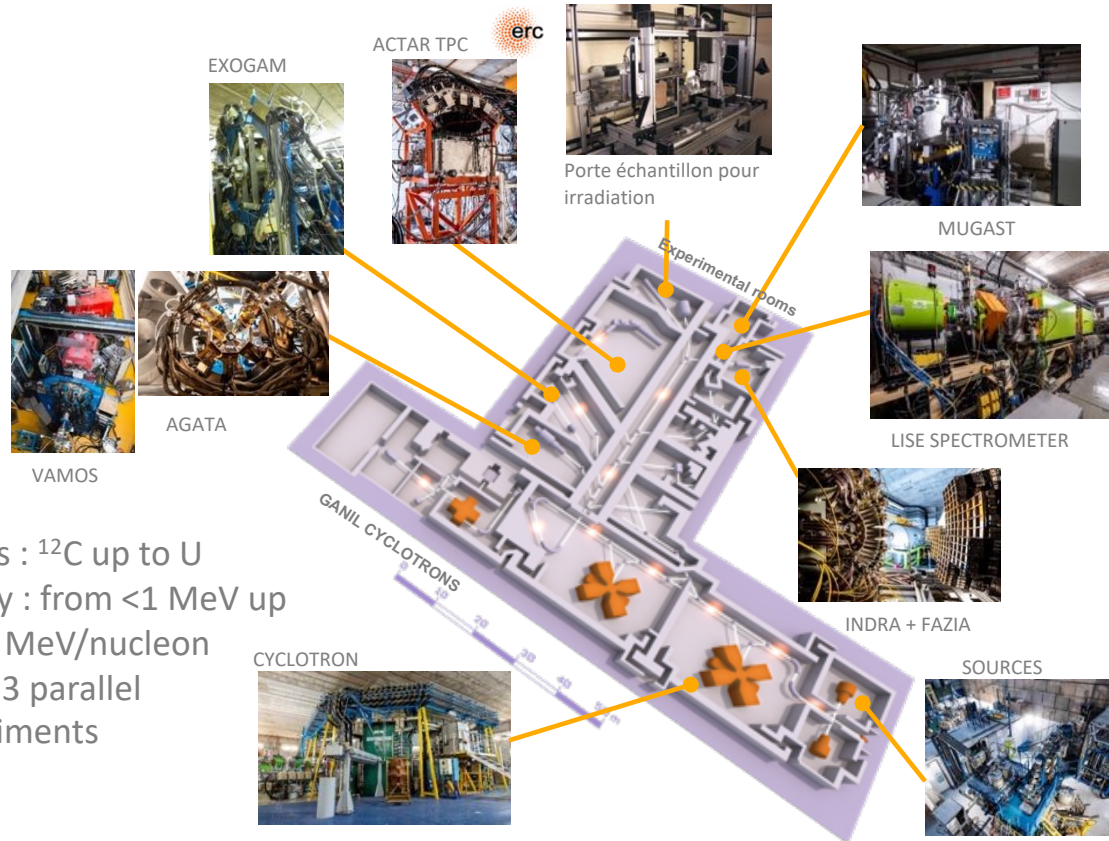
Large variety spectrometers/detectors :

- VAMOS++ and the fission revival
- LISE and the « tandem » mode
- MUST2/MUGAST
- ACTAR-TPC active target
- INDRA+FAZIA
- EXOGAM (AGATA)
- PARIS
- NEDA, ...

New SPIRAL1 beams

New stable beams in future : Th & ²³⁵U

- Beams : ¹²C up to U
- Energy : from <1 MeV up to 95 MeV/nucleon
- Up to 3 parallel experiments



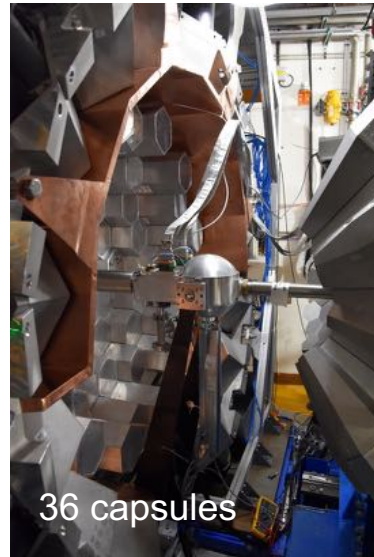
2015-2017



AGATA coupled to VAMOS,
FATIMA, PARIS

Exotic nuclei spectroscopy by
MNT transfer and fission reaction

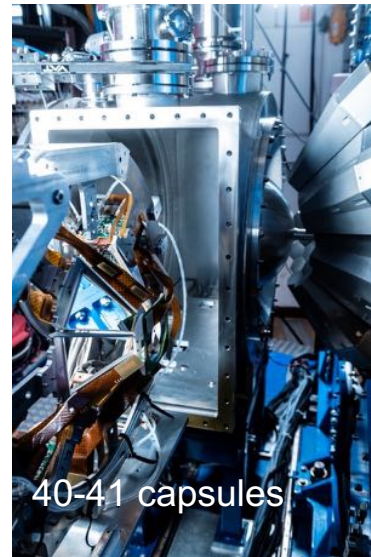
2018



AGATA coupled to
NEDA-DIAMANT

N~Z nuclei spectroscopy
fusion evaporation

2019-2021



AGATA coupled to
VAMOS MUGAST

Exotic nuclei spectroscopy
by transfer reaction using RIB

2021



AGATA coupled to VAMOS,
EXOGAM, 2nd Arm, LEPS

Exotic nuclei spectroscopy
MNT transfer

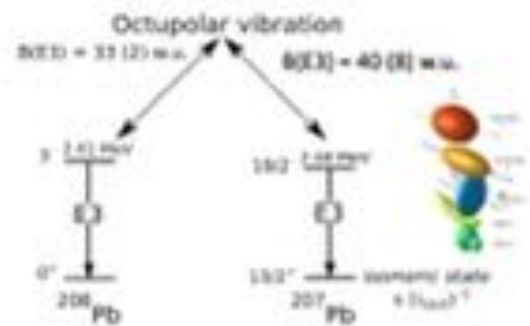
- 2π system by the end of the LNL campaign (~2025-2026)
 - 3π array in 2030
- AGATA back @ GANIL in 2026 ?

821 UT have been performed over 29 experiments

Some highlights of AGATA@GANIL.1



Evidence of octupole-phonon at high spin in ^{207}Pb
 Study of the octupole phonon in the ^{207}Pb region.

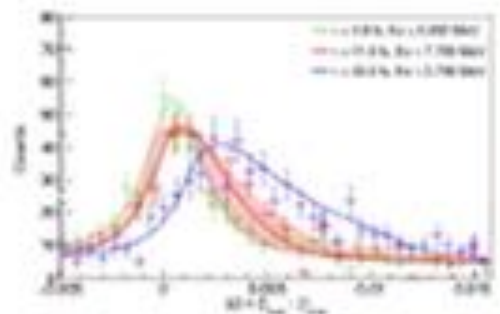


D. Ralet et al Phys.Lett. B 797, 134797 (2019).

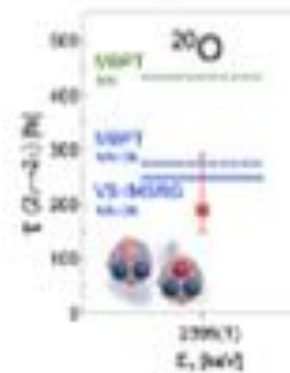
1st AGATA Nature paper

Search for ^{22}Na in novae supported by a novel method for measuring femtosecond nuclear lifetimes

Constraining the $^{22}\text{Na}(p, \gamma)^{22}\text{Mg}$ reaction from the spectroscopy of the 7785.0(7) keV resonance in ^{22}Mg .



Ch. Fougère et al Nature Communications volume 14, 4536 (2023)



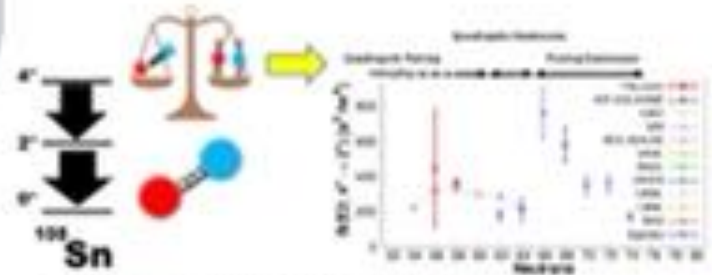
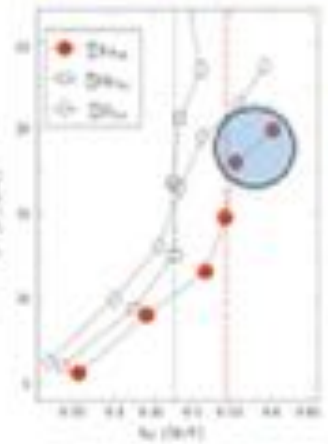
The achieved results agree well with predictions from MBPT and ab initio VS-IMSRG for ^{20}O , showing that 3N interactions are needed to accurately describe electromagnetic observables in neutron-rich nuclei.

More accurate and holistic description from MUGAST-AGATA data, I. Zanon (JNL) submitted to PRL

M. Ciemala et al, Phys. Rev. C101, 021303(R) (2020)

Direct observation of a "delayed" rotational alignment in a deformed N = Z nucleus (^{96}Ru), in agreement with theoretical predictions related to the presence of strong isovector neutron-proton pair correlations.

B. Cedervall et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124,062501 (2020)

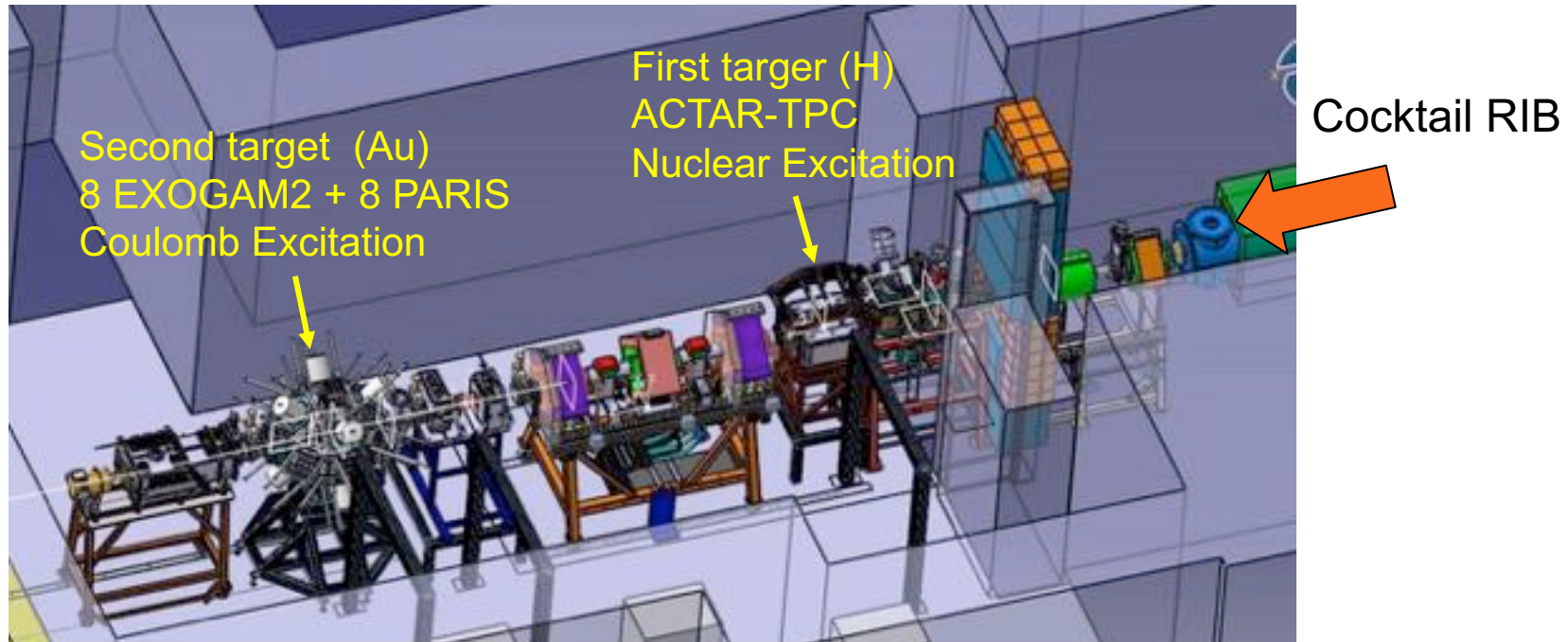


M.Sciifano et al, Physics Letters B 806 (2020) 135474

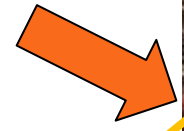
- 2^+ wave function is dominated by the p-n quadrupole interaction
- 4_2 wave function is a balance between p-n quadrupole and pairing interactions
- Revisit our predictions on the ^{100}Sn structure to be investigated at GANIL

« Tandem » mode with ACTAR-TPC and EXOGAM-PARIS-ZDD: a world premiere with heavy ions

Simultaneous measurement of Coulomb and nuclear excitation for neutron-rich isotopes of Si and S



Cocktail RIB



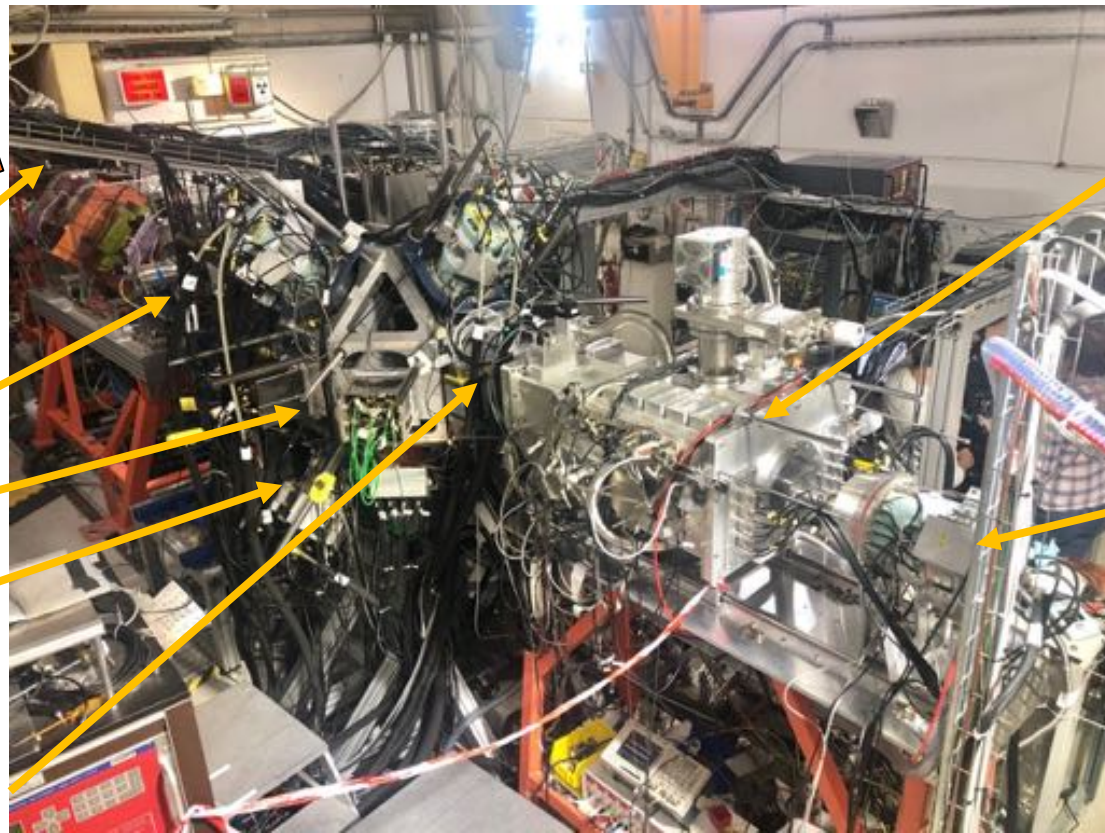
ACTAR
TPC

CATS

8 PARIS

8 EXOGAM

Annular
Silicon detectors



Zero
Degree
Detection

EXOGAM 0°

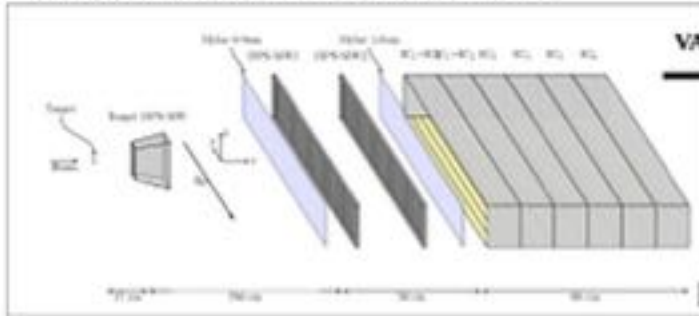
Data analysis is under progress

Fission studies at VAMOS++

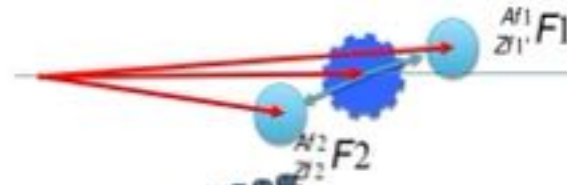
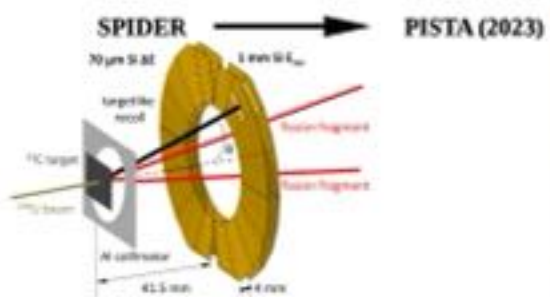
Inverse-Kinematics Transfer-Induced fission

- Actinide beam + Light Target → In-flight Fission
- Lorentz Boost → High Fission Fragments Energy
 - Full Identification of fissioning system : A, Z, Ex
 - Full Identification of fission fragments : A, Z, q, V

VAMOS SETUP : Low pressure gaseous detectors



Target Recoil SETUP : Stripped Silicon telescope



VAMOS

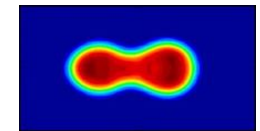
- ✓ Direct and complete isotopic fission fragments yields $Y(A,Z)$
- ✓ Precise center-of-mass fission fragment velocities isotopically (due to Coulomb barrier energies)

SPIDER → PISTA

- ✓ A
- ✓ Z
- ✓ (Elab, θ_{lab}) → E^*

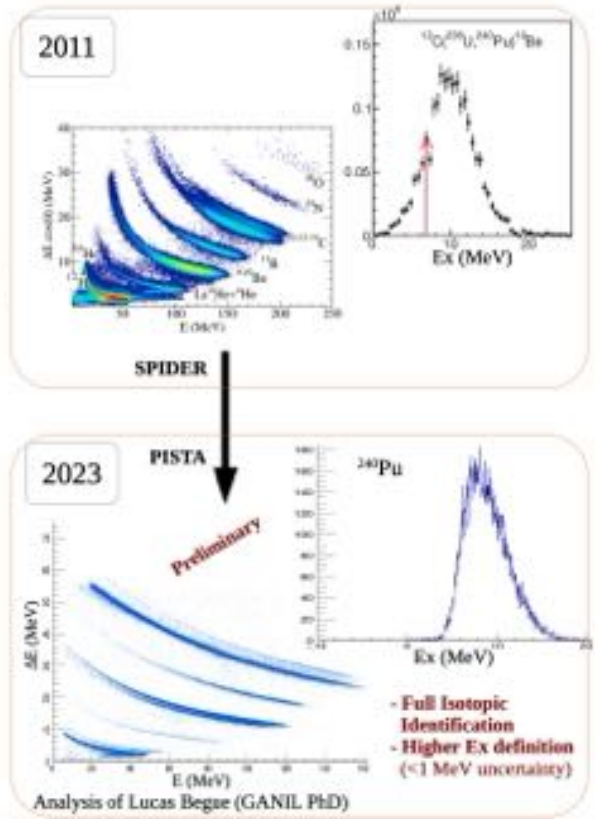
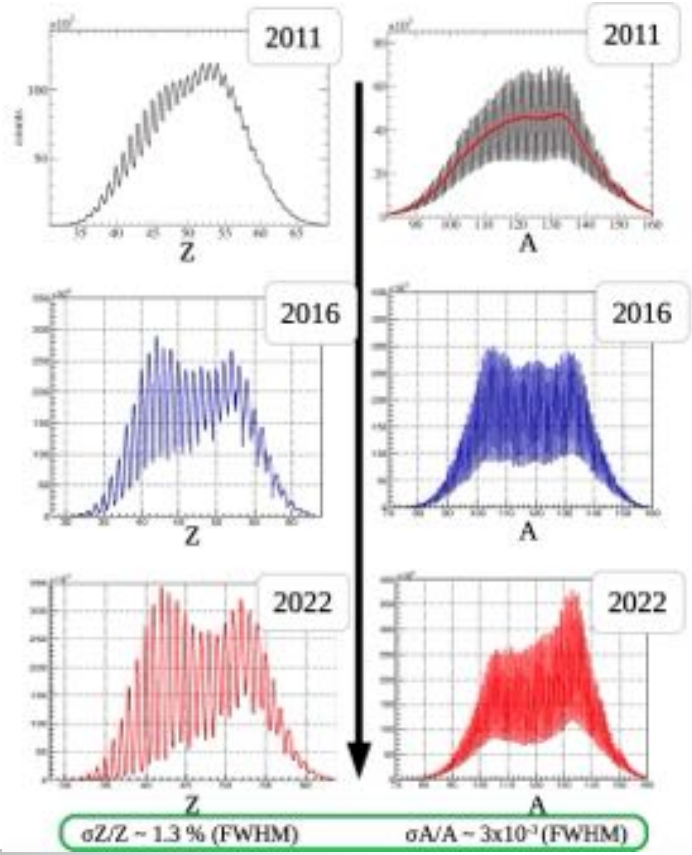
VAMOS-second arm

- ✓ Total kinetic energies isotopically
- ✓ 2E-2v measurement



Evolution of the VAMOS detection setups

Mass of the fission fragments



Selection of the fissioning system : ^{240}Pu

Active target: (Gaseous) detector in which the atoms of the gas are used as a target

✓ Drift region: principle

- Transparent to particles on 4 sides
→ Wire field cage
- Homogeneous vertical drift electric field
→ Double wire field cage: 2 mm/1 mm pitch

✓ Amplification region: principle

- Bulk Micromegas (CERN PCB workshop)
- Local gain reduction via pad polarization

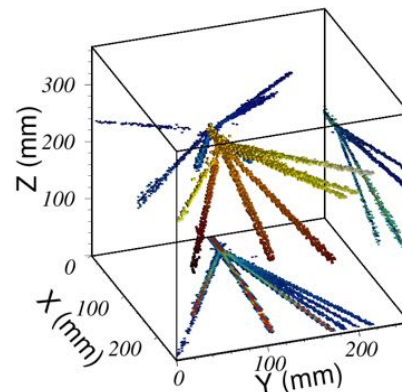
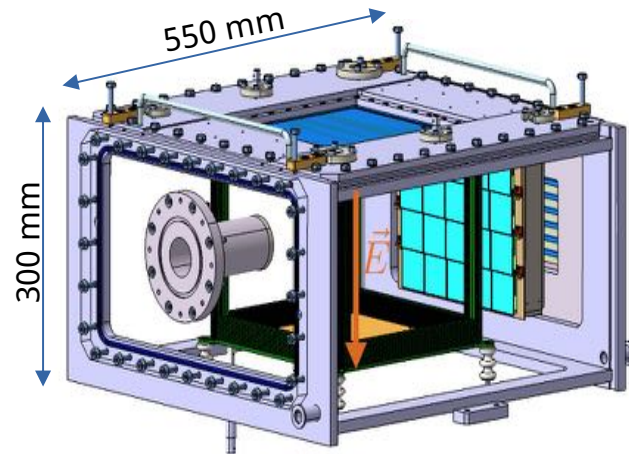
✓ Segmented pad plane

- Micromegas
→ transverse multiplicity \approx electron straggling: $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ pads
- 16384 pads with very high density: challenge!
→ Two solutions investigated

✓ Electronics: GET

GET electronics:

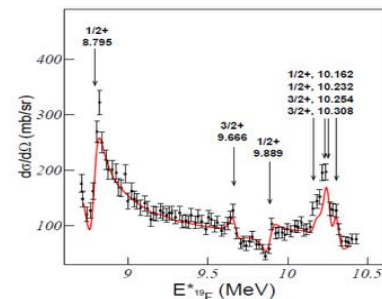
- 512 samples ADC readout depth x 16384 pads
→ volume sampling in 8 Mega voxel
- adjustable gain, peaking time, individual trigger: pad per pad



Physics cases addressed and performances

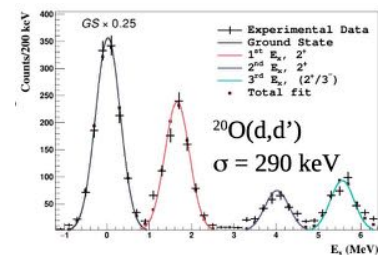
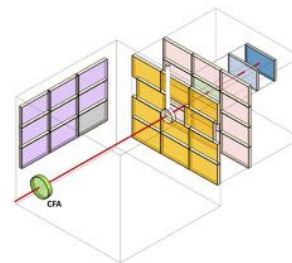
Study of excitation functions (resonant scattering, etc...)

- thick target, need to differentiate the reactions channels
- Commissioning experiment: $^{18}\text{O}(p,p)$ and $^{18}\text{O}(p,\alpha)$ excitation functions
- E_{cm} resolution dominated by the angular straggling of the ions in the gas: optimum with H_2 gas for proton target



Reactions with very negative Q-value in inverse kinematics

- recoil stops inside the target
- Study of GMR and Soft compression modes in $^{58,68}\text{Ni}$ through (α,α') reaction
- Access to center-of-mass angles below 3°
- Resolution in E^* dominated by the straggling in range, no possible amelioration

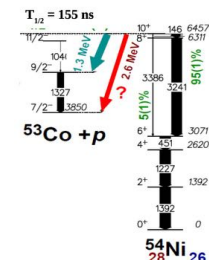
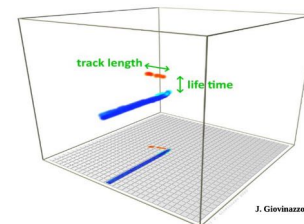


Reactions with (very) low intensity beams

- thick target, no loss of resolution due to the target thickness
- Measurement of the $^{19}\text{N}(d,^3\text{He})$ reaction with $\text{D}_2(90)+\text{iC}_4\text{H}_{10}(10)$ gas @ 1 bar: equivalent 11 mg/cm² CD_2

Time Projection Chamber mode

- Ideal for implantation/decay studies
- Study of the proton decay branches of the $^{54\text{m}}\text{Ni}$ and $^{53\text{m}}\text{Co}$ & study of the ^{48}Ni 2-proton radioactivity
- Validation of the techniques for lifetimes from ~ 100 ns to more than 100 ms



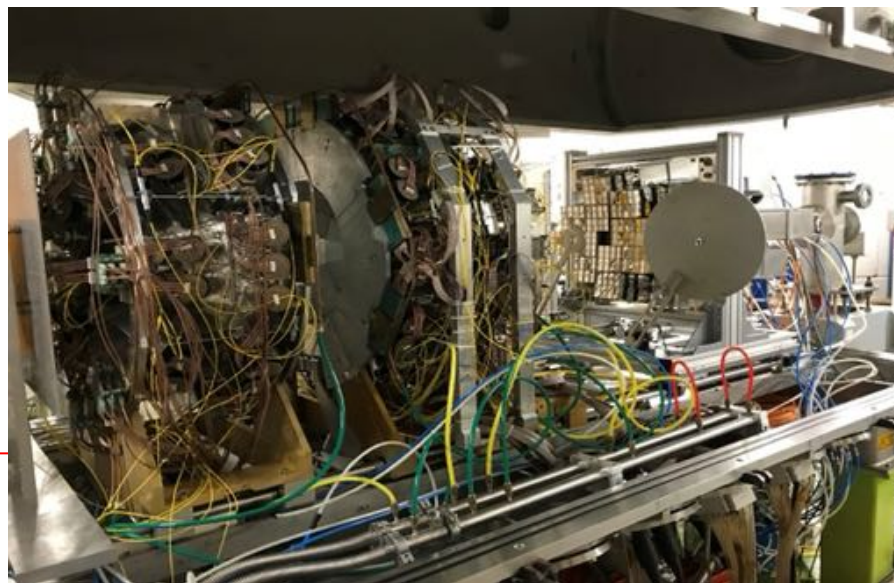
Full 4π set-up with high quality A & Z identification and E measurements

Already two campaigns performed at GANIL:

- 2019: E789
- 2022: E818

Two others to come 2025-

- E881 and E884



INDRA:

12 rings 14° - 176°

240 CsI(Tl)

96 Si detectors

Z identification 1-54

A resolution $Z=1-4$ CsI, $Z=1-6$ Si-CsI



FAZIA:

12 blocks $1,8^\circ$ - $13,5^\circ$

192 telescopes Si-Si-CsI(Tl)

Z identification 1-54

A resolution $Z\sim 20$ PSA $Z\sim 25$ $\Delta E-E$

SPIRAL2 and the new experimental rooms

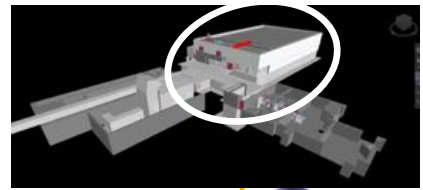
NFS (NEUTRONS FOR SCIENCE)



Converter room



TOF room



DESIR
(Decay,
Excitation and
storage of
radioactive
ions)



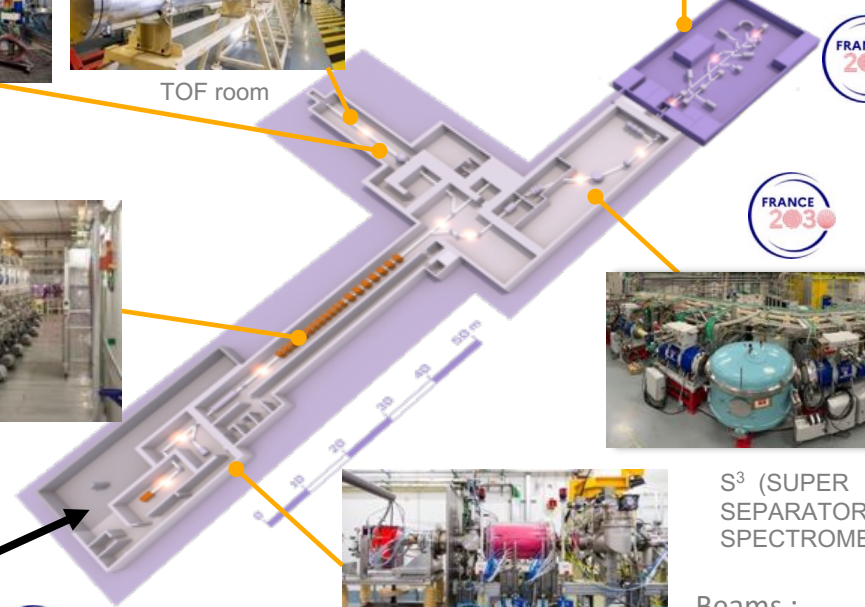
Accélérateur linéaire
(LINAC)



S³ (SUPER
SEPARATOR
SPECTROMETER)



ION SOURCE



A new accelerator ramping up:

- First operation experimental area and the first neutrons at GANIL/SPIRAL2: NFS first campaigns and results
- Super Separator Spectrometer
- DESIR project
- Second injector (NEWGAIN)

Beams :
33 MeV protons
40 MeV deuterons
<14,5 MeV/nucleon ions lourds

Physics of the fission process and characterization of fission products of actinides

Fundamental physics

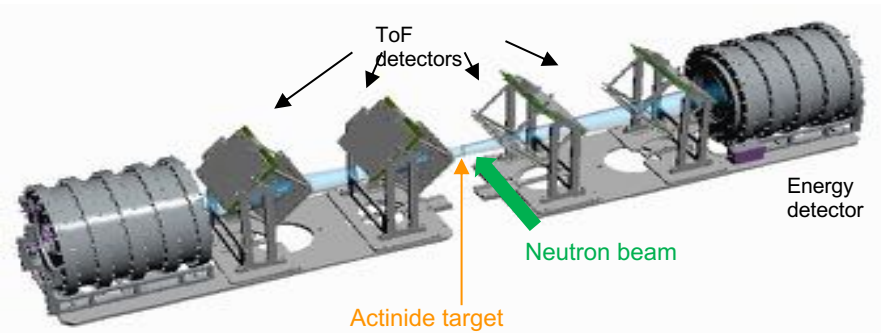
- Excitation energy sharing
- Deformation at scission
- Role of the structure effects

Nuclear application

- Characterization of fission products of actinides

Experimental goals are to:

- detect both fragments in coincidence
- measure their kinetic energy
- identify their mass pre & post evaporation
- provide information on their nuclear charge



Fission fragment detection based on low-pressure gaseous detectors

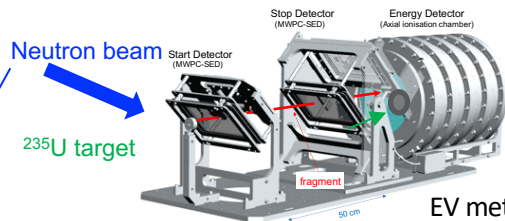
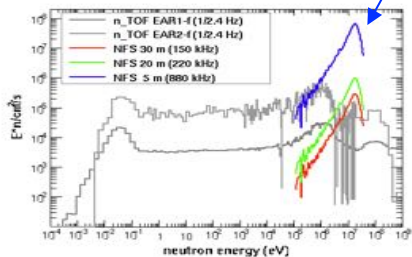
- SED-MWPC detectors : $s(t) = 120 \text{ ps}$ & $s(xy) = 2 \text{ mm}$
- Axial Ionisation chamber: $s(E)/E \sim 1 \%$

Pre-evap. fragment masses (2V): $\sigma(A) \sim 1 \text{ uma}$

Post-evap. fragment masses (EV): $\sigma(A) \sim 2 \text{ uma}$

E814 experiment: ^{235}U Fission fragment study with FALSTAFF at NFS

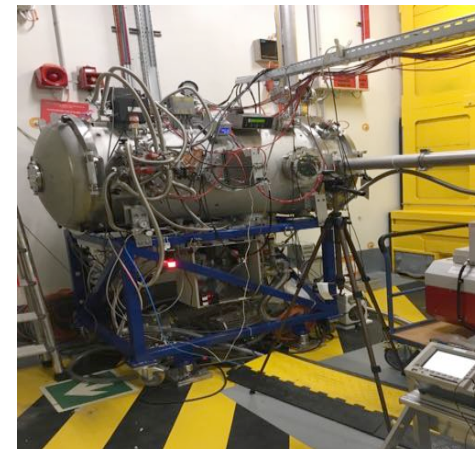
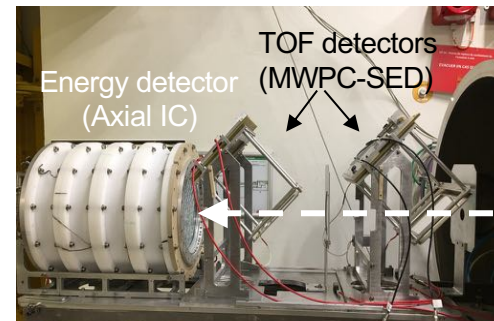
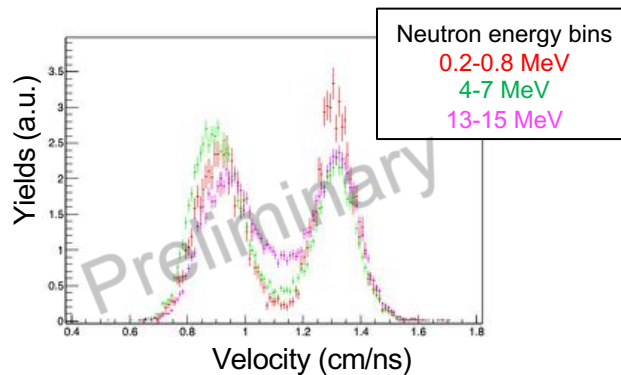
One arm experiment



EV method

- Post-evaporation fragment mass

+2 LaBr3 detectors (Subatech, Nantes) close to the target



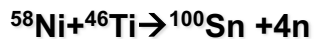
Future:

- NFS experiment in 2024 : ^{237}Np
- Second arm in construction
- First experiment with two arms at NFS expected in 2025

Study of rare events in nuclear and atomic physics

Proton Dripline & N=Z nuclei

Nuclear structure
Study the role of π - ν correlations
Deformation – shape coexistence
Exotic decay
Astrophysics rp-process
Fundamental interaction



$I = 10\text{p}\mu\text{A} \rightarrow 10/\text{s}$

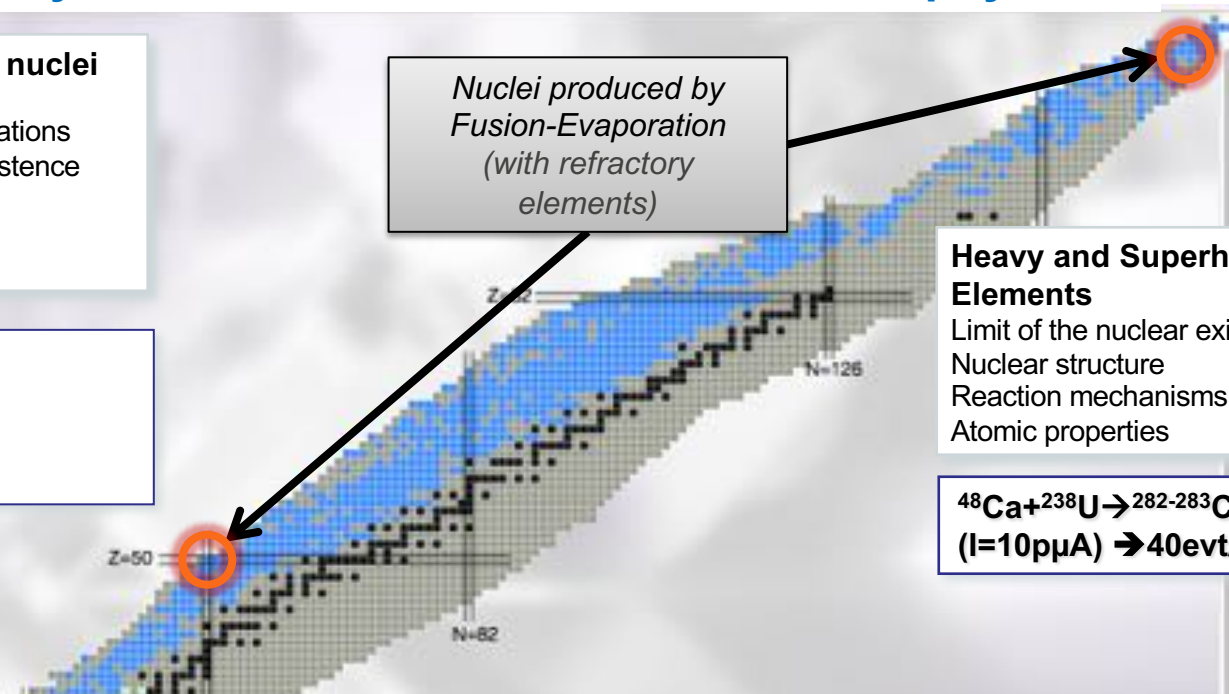
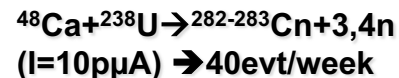
RIBF : 0.7/s

FAIR : 2/s & FRIB : 8/s

*Nuclei produced by
Fusion-Evaporation
(with refractory
elements)*

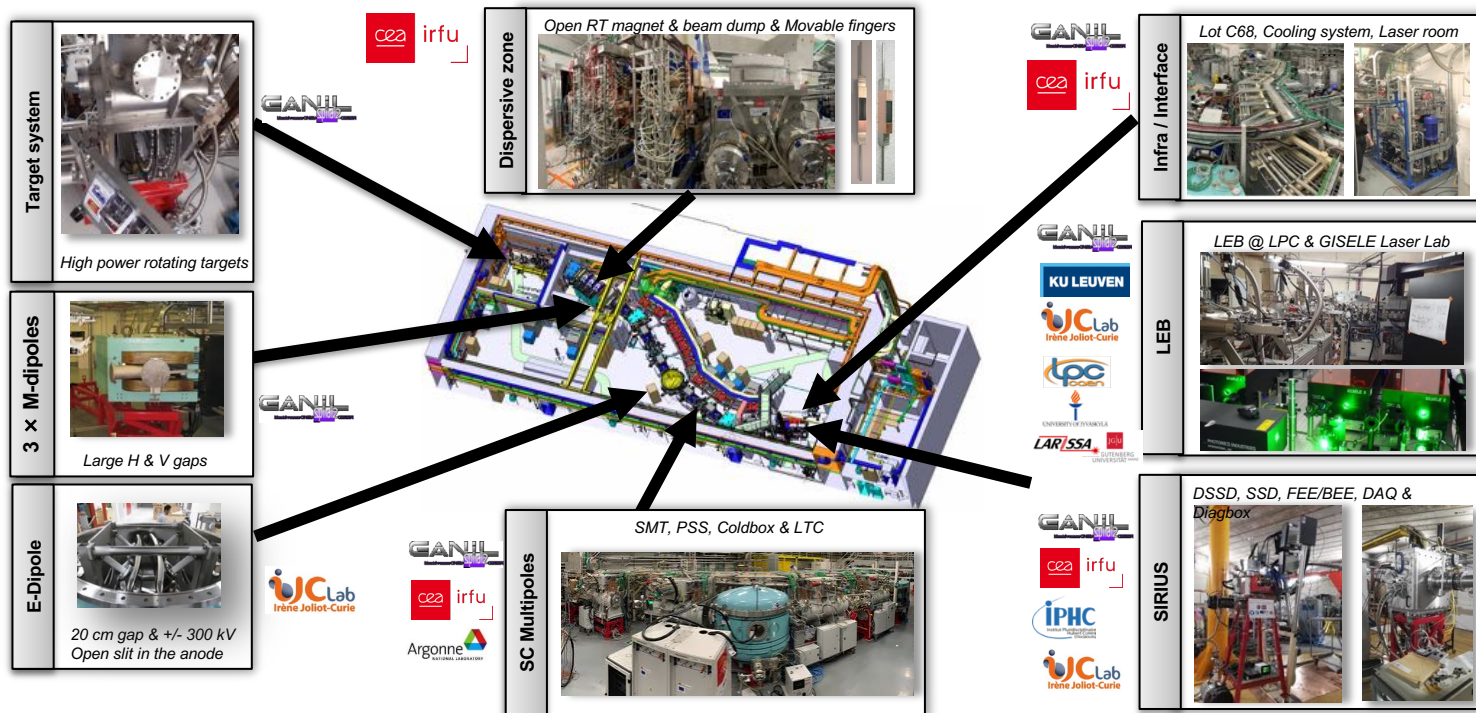
Heavy and Superheavy Elements

Limit of the nuclear existence
Nuclear structure
Reaction mechanisms
Atomic properties



- ⊙ Develop a comprehensive model of atomic nuclei – How do we understand the structure and stability of atomic nuclei?
- ⊙ Understand the origin of elements
- ⊙ Use of atomic nuclei to test fundamental symmetries and properties

Main equipment and detection setups

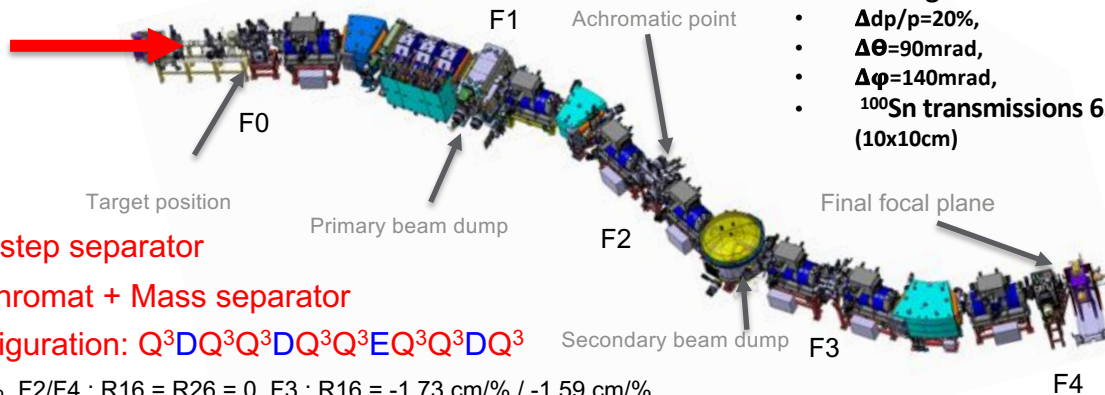


- High selectivity $> 10^{13}$ - High efficiency 50% - In flight mass separation $> 1/450$
- Versatility & unique instrumentation (SIRIUS – LEB)

Basic properties and functionalities

High beam intensity

High power target: $\gg 1\mu\text{A}$ ($= 6 \cdot 10^{12}\text{p/s}$)



Versatile multistep separator

Momentum achromat + Mass separator

Ion optics configuration: $Q^3DQ^3Q^3DQ^3Q^3EQ^3Q^3DQ^3$

F1 : $R16=1.15\text{cm}/\%$, F2/F4 : $R16 = R26 = 0$, F3 : $R16 = -1.73\text{ cm}/\% / -1.59\text{ cm}/\%$

Two basic optical modes of operation:

High transmission vs high mass resolution

\rightarrow *The momentum achromat (MA) optic is common to all modes*

In future :

- Online optics Bayesian optimization
- Implementation of machine learning

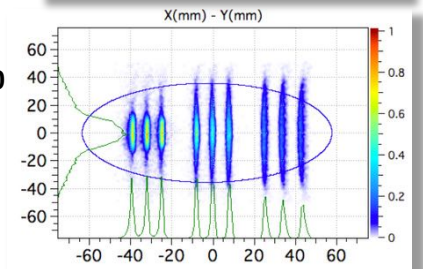
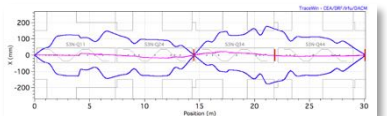
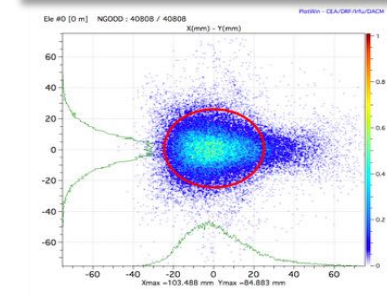
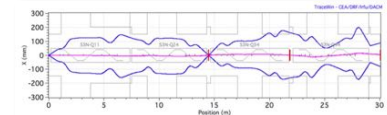
Convergent Mode (CM)

- No mass resolution
- 6 charge states
- $\Delta p/p=20\%$,
- $\Delta\theta=90\text{mrad}$,
- $\Delta\phi=140\text{mrad}$,
- ^{100}Sn transmissions 65% ($10 \times 10\text{cm}$)

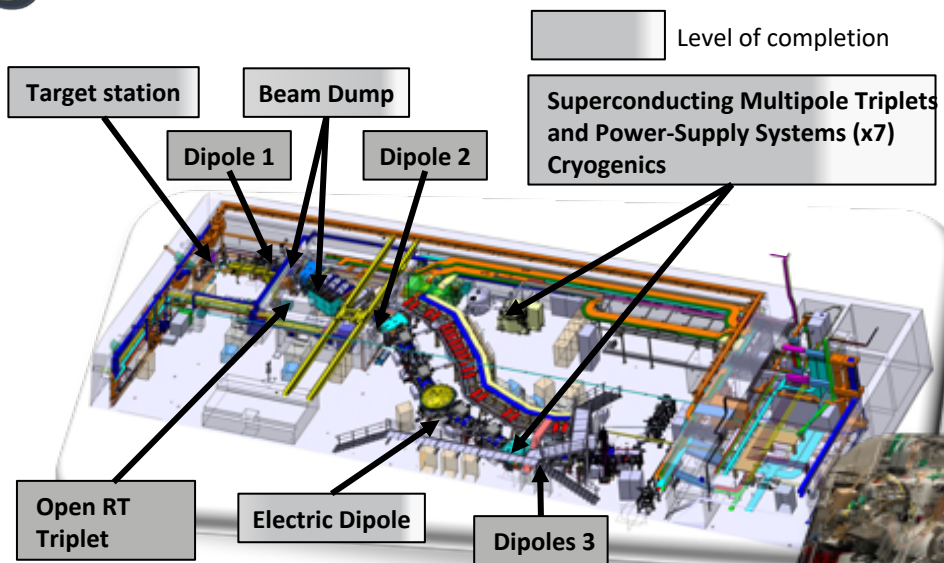
High Resolution Mode (HRM)

- m/q dispersion = 8 mm/%
- 3 charge states & $M/\Delta M = 500$
- $\Delta p/p=16\%$
- $\Delta\theta=45\text{mrad}$
- $\Delta\phi=140\text{mrad}$
- ^{100}Sn transmissions 40% ($10 \times 10\text{cm}$)

Reference beam :
 $A=100$, $Q=24+$, $\sigma_p = 3.7\%$, $\sigma_\theta = 18\text{mrad}$

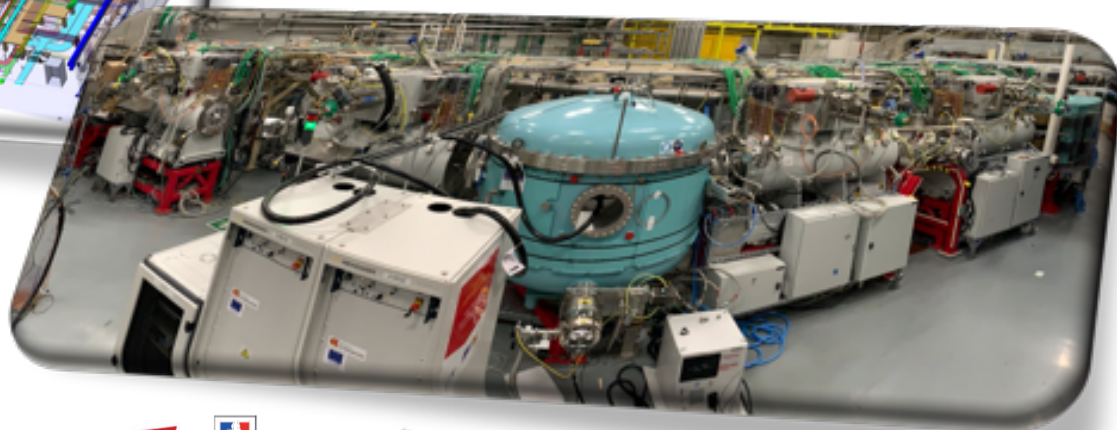


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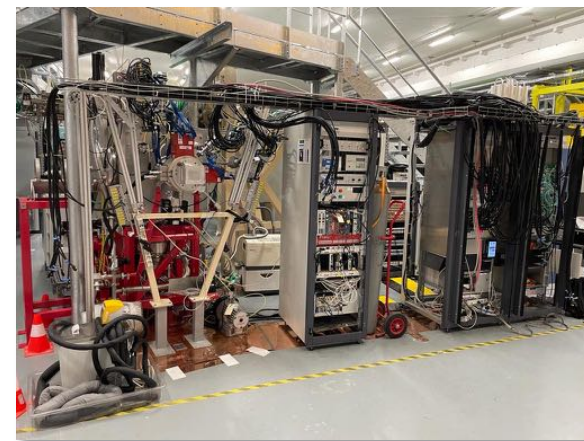
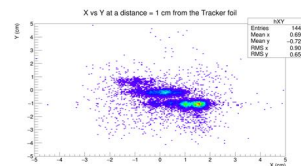
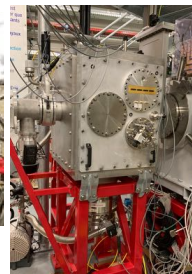
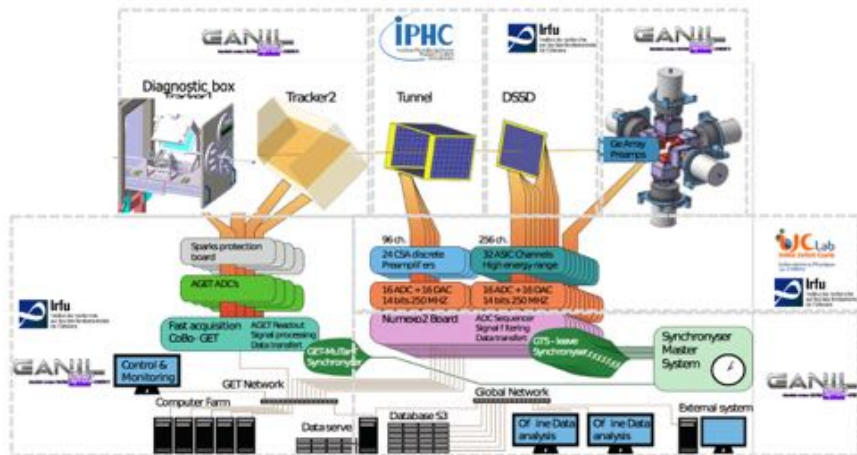


➤ Ready for beam commissioning 2025

Level of completion $\approx 85\%$



Decay spectroscopy of VHE/SHE

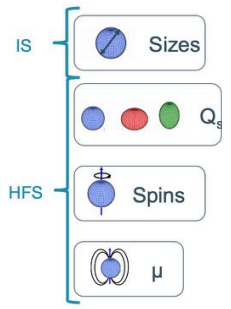
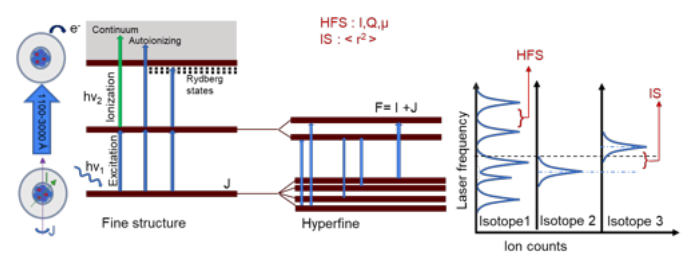
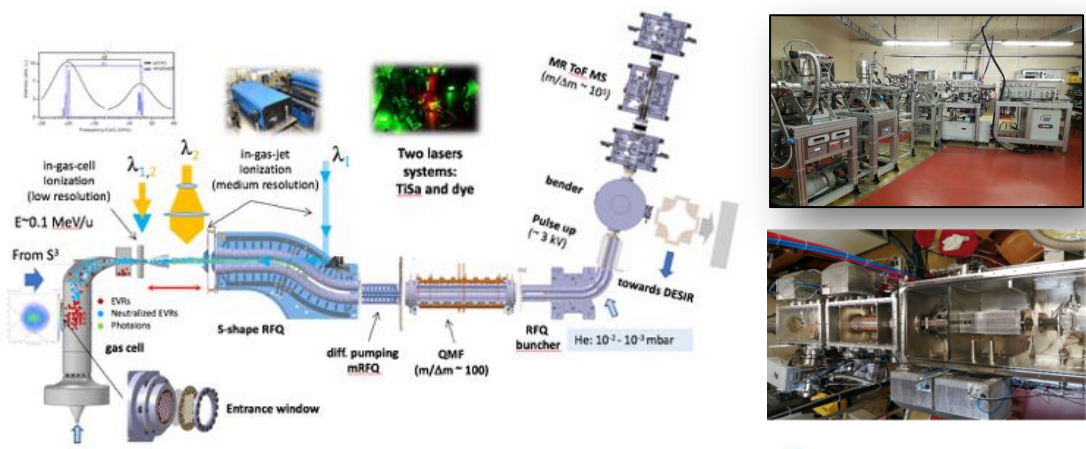


α , SF, e⁻, γ decay spectroscopy

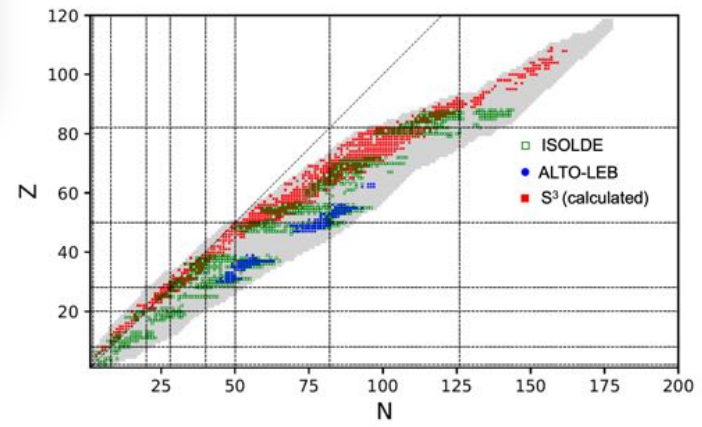
- Time of flight ($\Delta t < 1\text{ ns}$) and tracking ($\Delta x < 0.5\text{ mm}$) of (super)heavy ions
- Implantation decay correlation (10x10cm², 128x128ch DSSD)
- Digital electronics for fast decays (low gain/high gain switching) $\Delta E_{\alpha} < 20\text{ keV}$

LEB (Low Energy Branch)

Laser, decay spectroscopy & Mass measurement



- Pure & low energy beams
- Species not available by other techniques



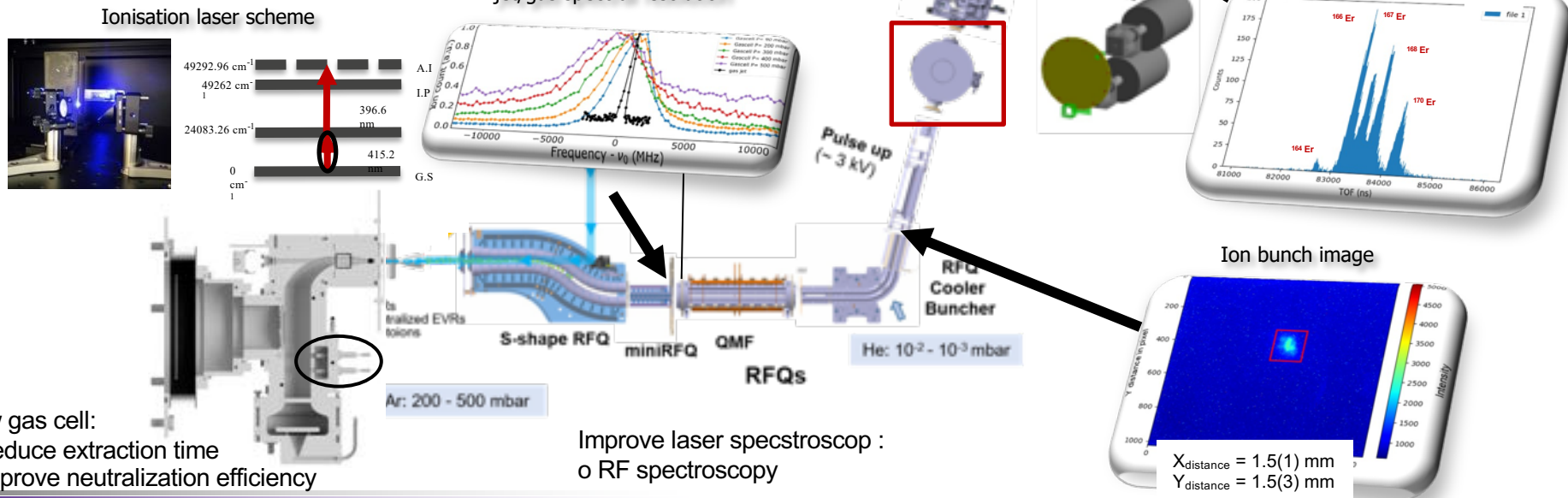
- Nuclear Moments / Charge radii / Spin
- Mass
- Decay spectroscopy

3 LEB commissioning

First high resolution laser spectroscopy and mass measurement of stable erbium isotopes

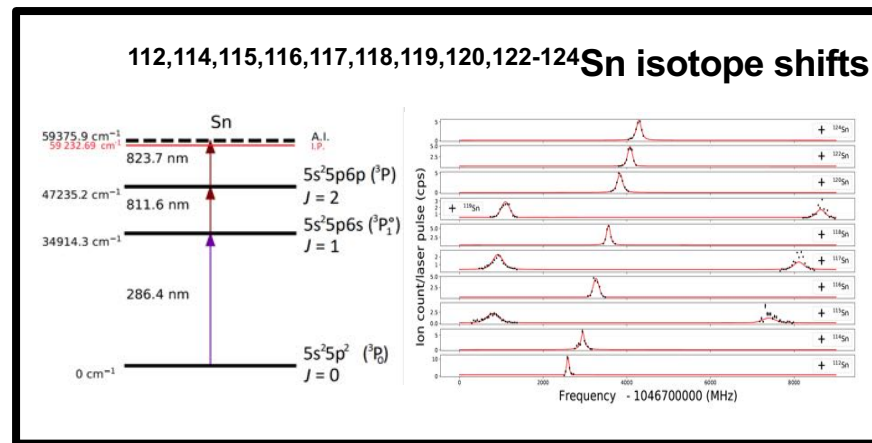
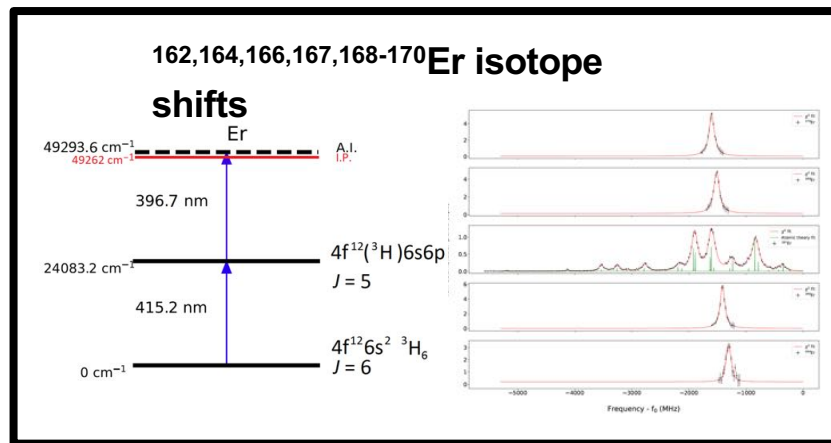
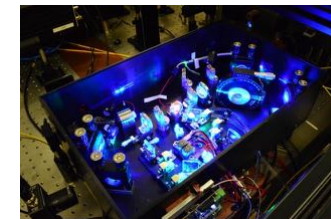
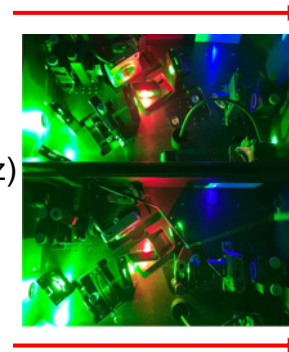
- In gas jet saser spectroscopy : 200 MHz resolution (FWHM)
- Mass resolving power : $R \sim 120.000$

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Development of laser spectroscopy methods System of different linewidths available

- New injection-locked Ti:sa cavity in collaboration with JGU Mainz ($\Delta\lambda < 50$ MHz)
- New continuous wave Ti:sa laser in collaboration with Uni. Nagoya
- Day-1 laser spectroscopy developments : Er, Sn, Pd

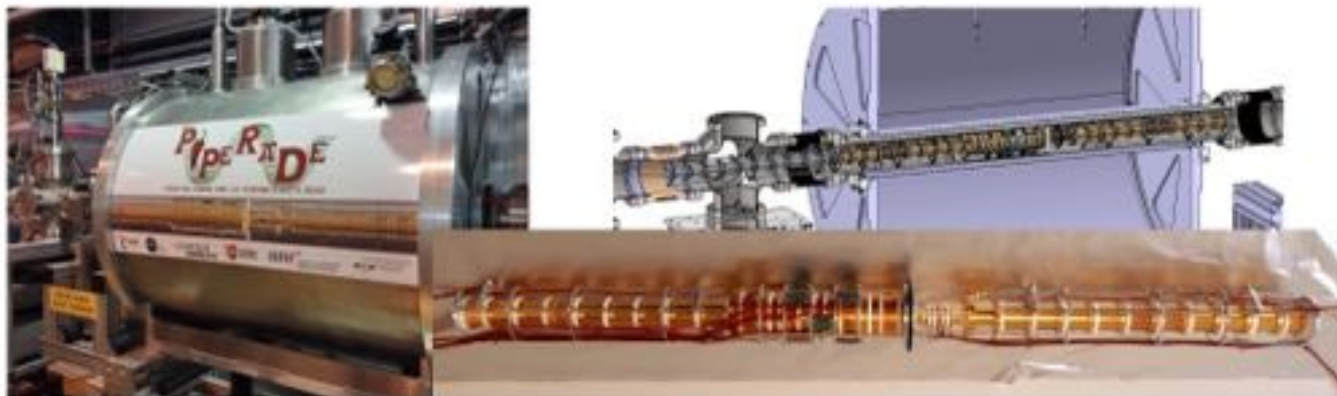


- Collinear laser-spectroscopy **LUMIERE**
- Laser polarisation (LINO)
- Paul trap (MORA) **DETRAP**
- Penning traps (PIPERADE, MLLTrap) **BESTIOL**
- (Trap-assisted) decay spectroscopy

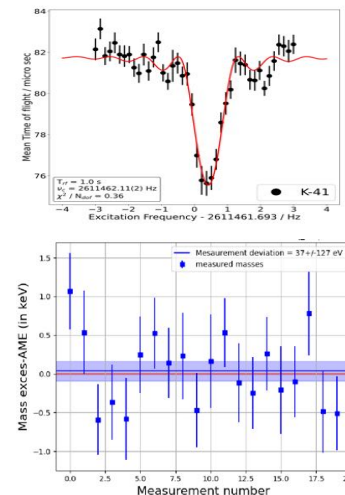
Dedicated workshops in 2024/25
→ LOI
→ Day 1 proposals



Purification and mass measurements



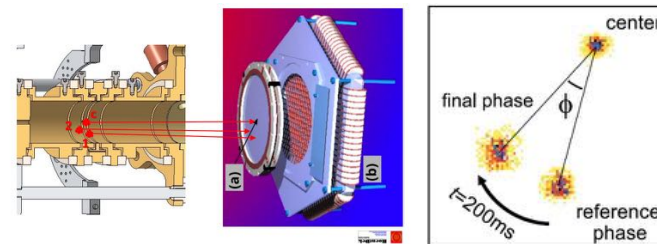
^{41}K vs $^{39}\text{K} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-9}$



Double penning trap

- Purification : 10^5 ions/bunch, 2-20 Hz
- Mass measurements TOF-ICR and PI-ICR ($10^{-8} - 10^{-9}$ precision)

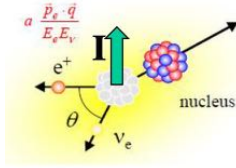
Next steps





Search for new physics via the D correlation measurement

THE MORA PROJECT
MATTER'S ORIGIN FROM RADIOACTIVITY



A non-zero D can arise from CP violation

$$D \frac{\langle \vec{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{p}_e}{E_e} \times \frac{\vec{p}_\nu}{E_\nu} \right)$$

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D correlation measurement in ^{23}Mg , ^{39}Ca decays to the 10^{-5} level with some beam, laser and trapping R&D

- Ion cooling and trapping originally developed for

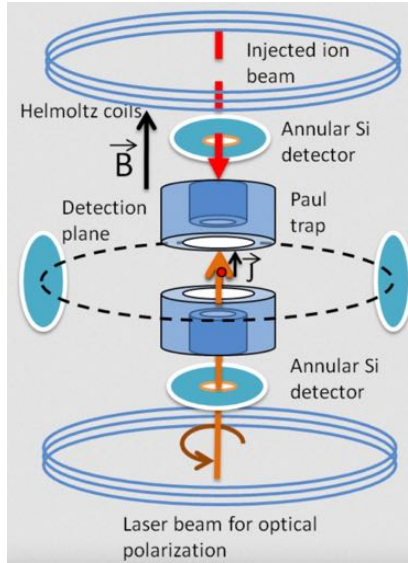


New trap and new detection setup:
off-line commissioning at



Completed in autumn 2021

- Theoretical studies with state-of-the-art EFTs



- Innovative laser polarisation techniques at



MORA
installation at
JYFL/IGISOL
(completed!)

Proof of principle of polarization
First D measurement
Started in Feb 2022

With experts from:



- **Large variety of spectrometers and detectors**
 - VAMOS++ and the new Super Separator Spectrometer
 - MUGAST-GRIT, INDRA FAZIA, PISTA, SIRIUS
 - ACTAR-TPC
 - FALSTAFF
- **The rise of low/thermal energy physics has triggered new developments**
 - Gas-cell technology (S³-LEB, FRIENDS³ R&D, ...)
 - Laser spectroscopy techniques (in gas jet, collinear, ...)
 - Trap devices (MR-ToF-MS, double Penning trap, ...)
 - Trap assisted decay spectroscopy (under development with MLLTrap)
 - Ion trap-based device (MORA)
- **Next generation of electronics and DAQ**

Examples where synergies between the IRL partners are possible (not exhaustive list)