

INDRA-FAZIA E884 experiment status

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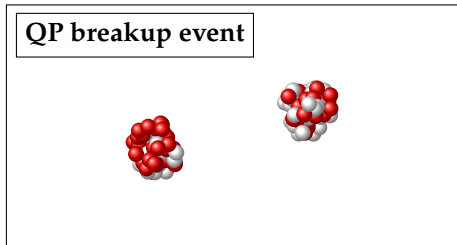
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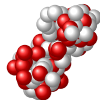


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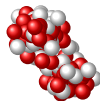


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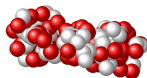


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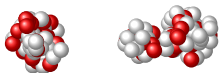


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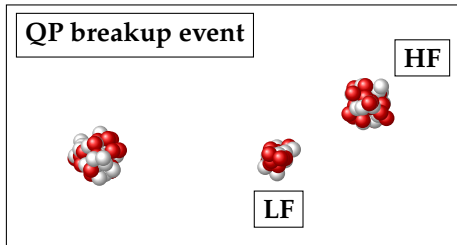
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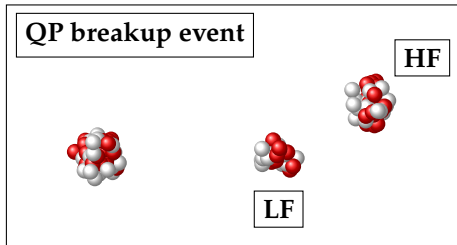
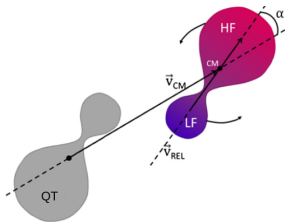
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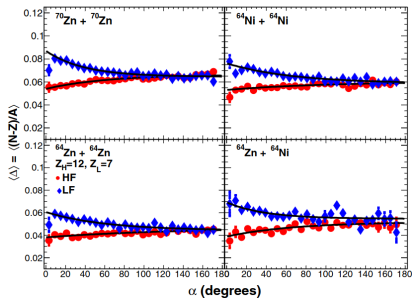
- *Isospin drift*: neutron enrichment of the neck, i.e. the light fragment (LF) side
- *Isospin diffusion*: internal equilibration occurring inside the QP* prior to the split
- α angle between the QP-QT separation axis and the fission axis can be used as a “clock” for the breakup timescale (*equilibration chronometry*)
→ A. Jedye *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 062501 (2017)

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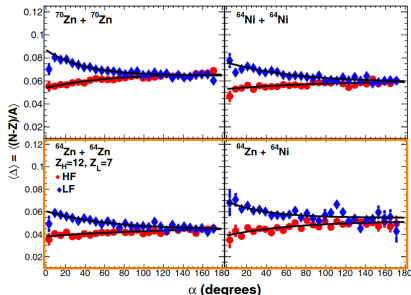
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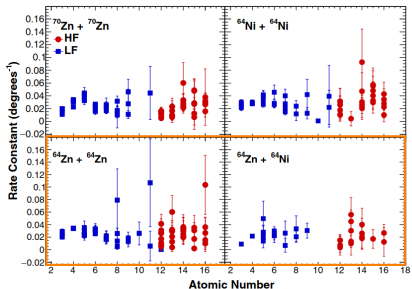
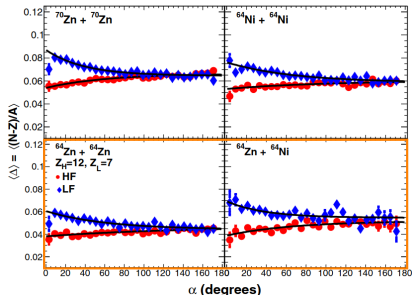
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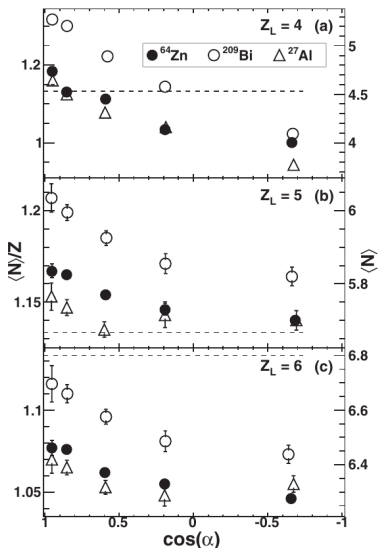
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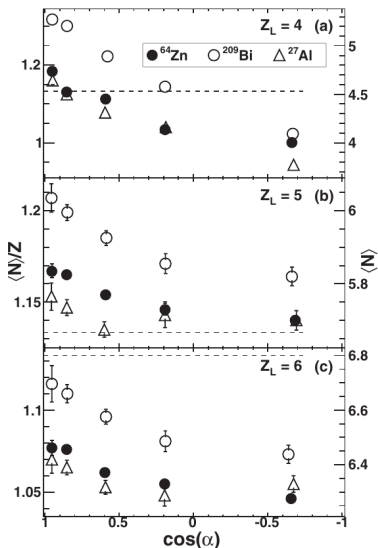
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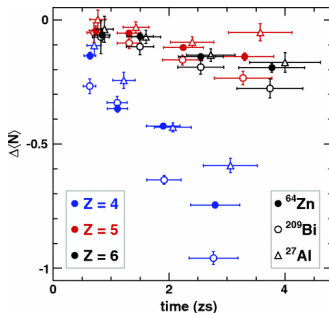
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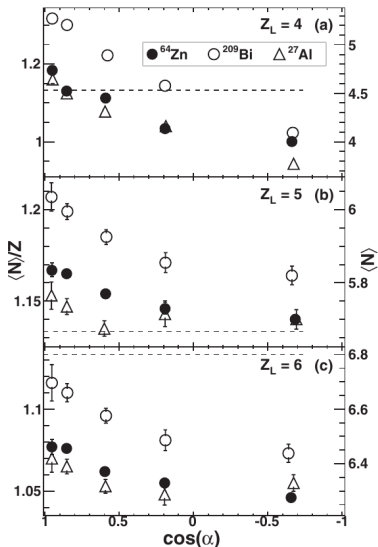
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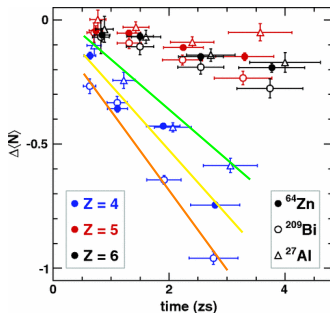
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→ interpreted as a consequence of the different isospin gradient inside the QP*



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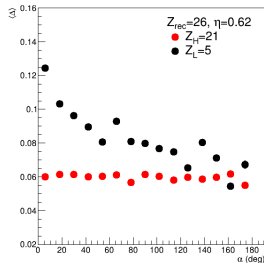
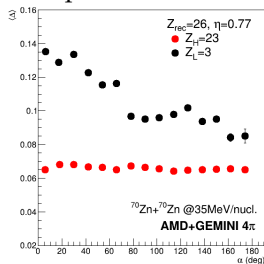
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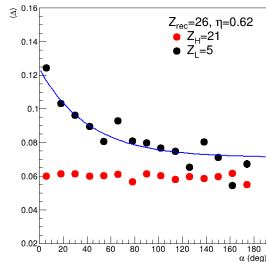
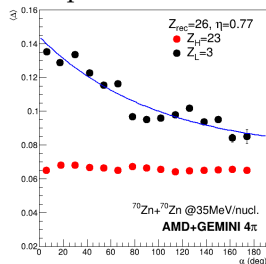
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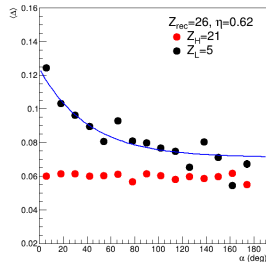
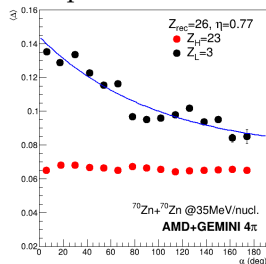
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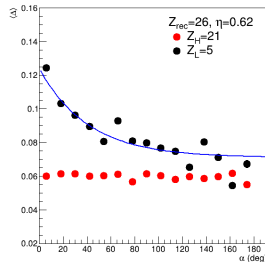
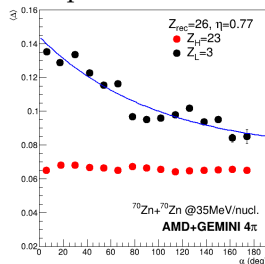
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The aim is to see to what extent the evolution towards isospin equilibration inside the deformed QP^ before its breakup depends on the preceding step of the reaction.*

AMD: A. Ono et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 68, 2898 (1992)

BUU: S. Mallik et al., J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 49 015102 (2022)



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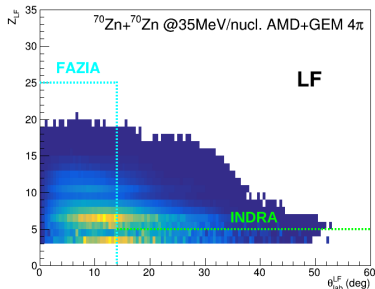
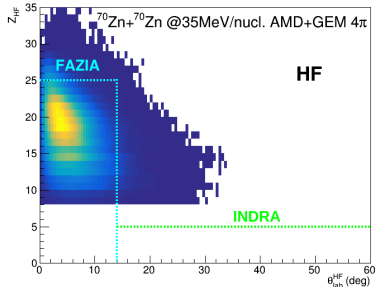
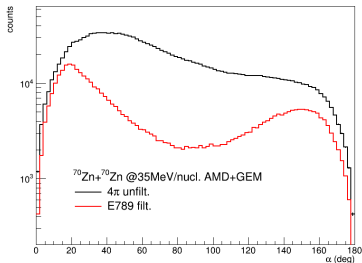
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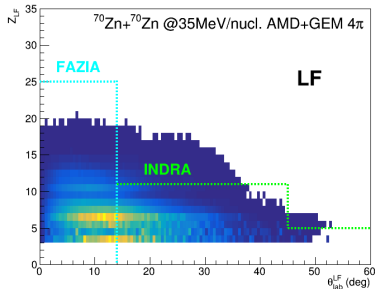
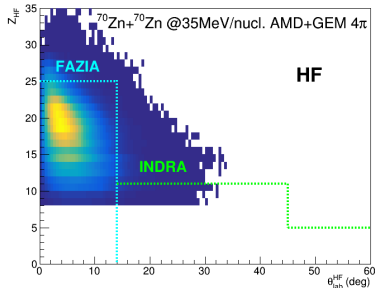
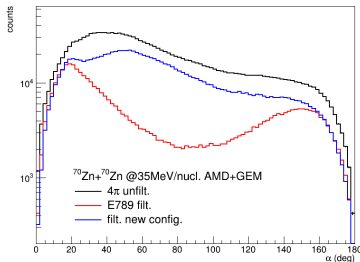


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→ recover the majority of transverse breakups, with LF emitted at larger θ_{lab}



- further improvements: new INDRA Si detectors, Rutherford monitor

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 \rightarrow their schedule is not optimal. We will have some additional beam of ^{129}Xe at 50 MeV/nucleon. (applications) before E881 (~9-10 april) and after E884 (~21 june)

Beam/target status

Isotope supply



Beam: ^{70}Zn (0.6% natural abundance)

Rare isotope, extremely hard to find especially in *solid form* (required for the source).

We received the 300 mg needed for the beam in December 2024.

Target: ^{70}Zn

Some of the ^{70}Zn *powder* already available at GANIL will be used to produce the targets.

Self supporting Zn targets already manufactured last year.

Target: ^{27}Al

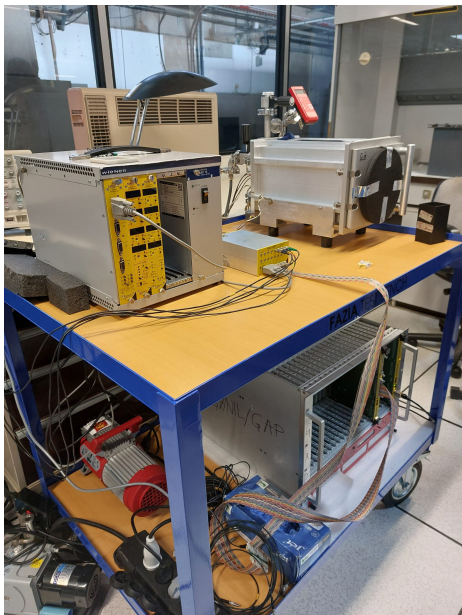
Will be produced in GANIL, relatively easy to manufacture.

Target: ^{209}Bi (100% natural abundance)

Will be produced both at GANIL (not sure they can do it self supporting) and at LNS, Catania.

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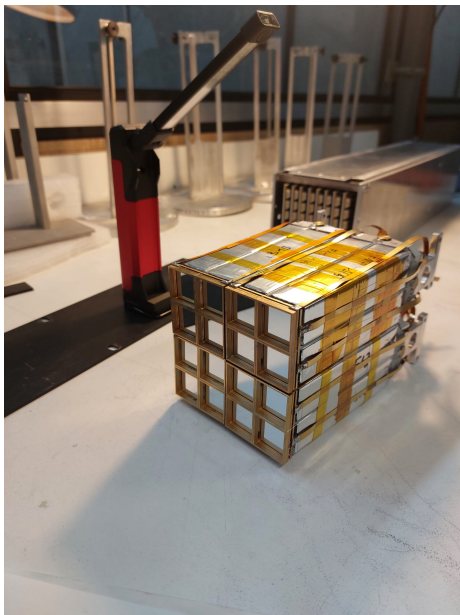
New test bench for the single detectors



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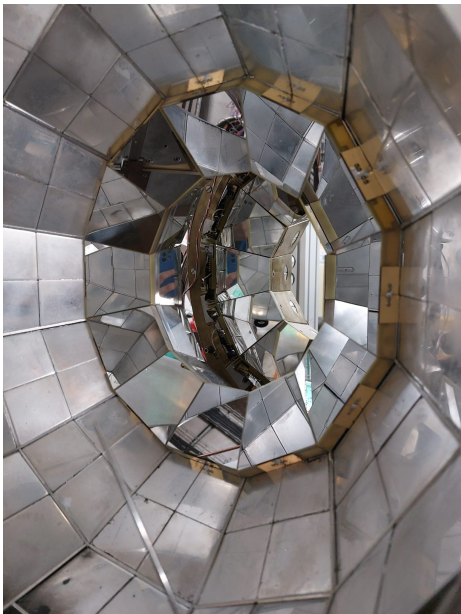




New FAZIA detection blocks have been reassembled and mounted on the electronics

- 300 μm -750 μm configuration for blocks 0-3
- 300 μm -500 μm configuration for blocks 4-11

More details on the tests and obtained performances will be given by Ilham Dekhissi in her presentation.



Si detectors:

- rings 6-7: all 150 μm Si replaced with 300 μm Si *before E818*
- rings 8-9: new 300 μm Si, replaced in 2023 and tested in July and September 2024

CsI detectors:

- some CsI detectors have been re-glued to their respective PMT

Preamplifiers:

- Preamplifiers for Si in rings 6-7 have been replaced to adapt the range to expected deposited energies (based on filtered simulations)

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