

Coulomb excitation of the presumably super-deformed band in ^{42}Ca

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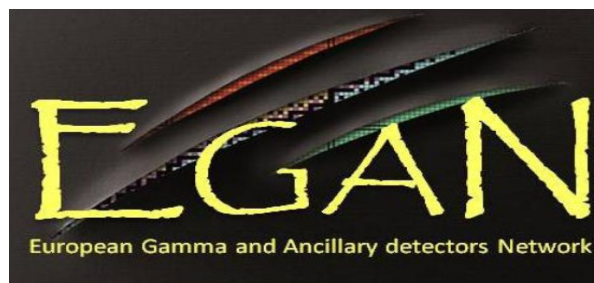
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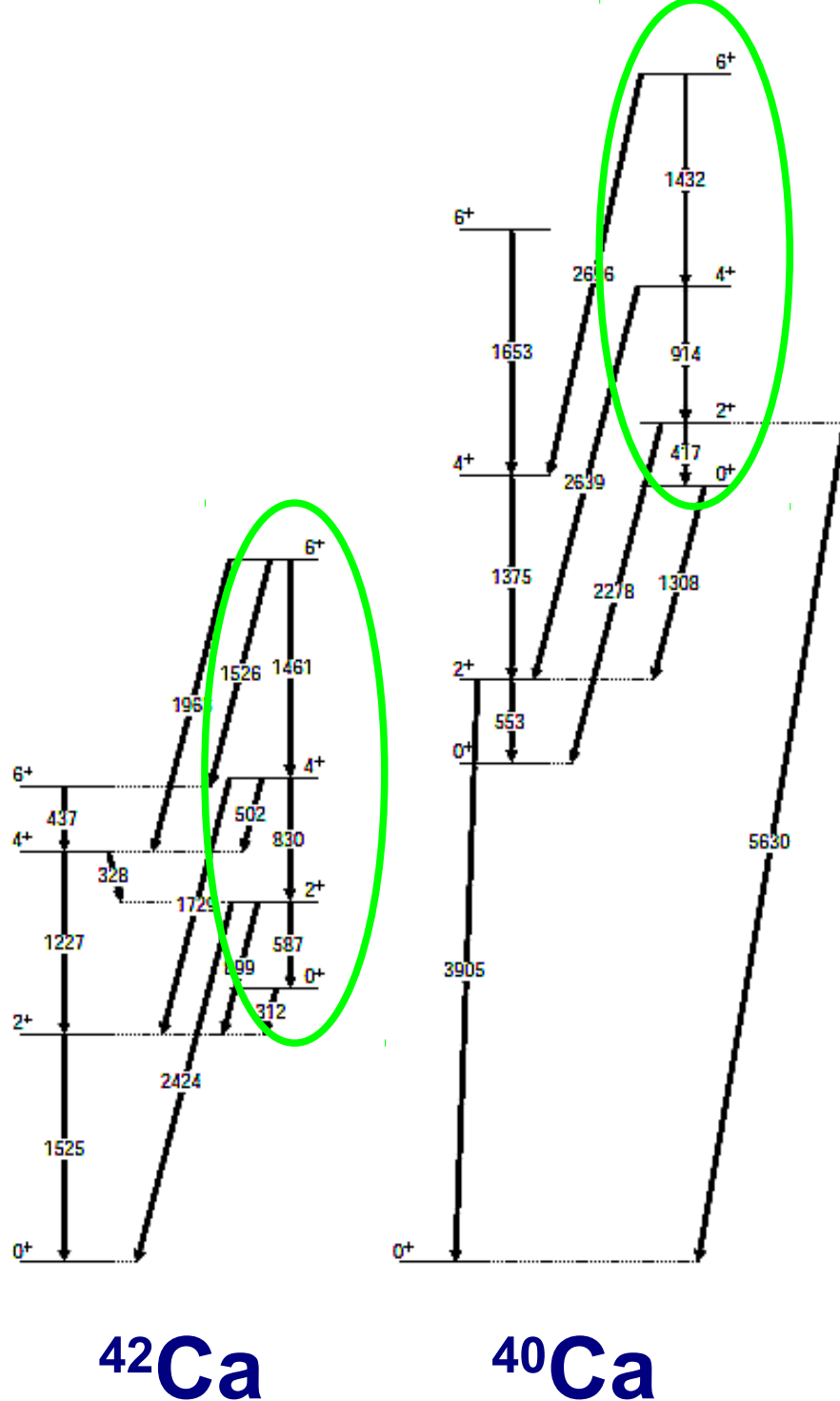
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^{42}Ca vs ^{40}Ca



Highly collective structure found in ^{40}Ca

$B(E2; 4^+ \rightarrow 2^+ \text{ in SD}) = 170 \text{ W.u (DSAM)}$

Deformation of the 2^+ state in the superdeformed band: $\beta_2 = 0.59(9)$

Super-deformation in this mass region:

^{36}Ar : C.E. Svensson et al., PRL 85 (2000) 2693

^{38}Ar : D. Rudolph et al., PRC 65 (2002) 034305

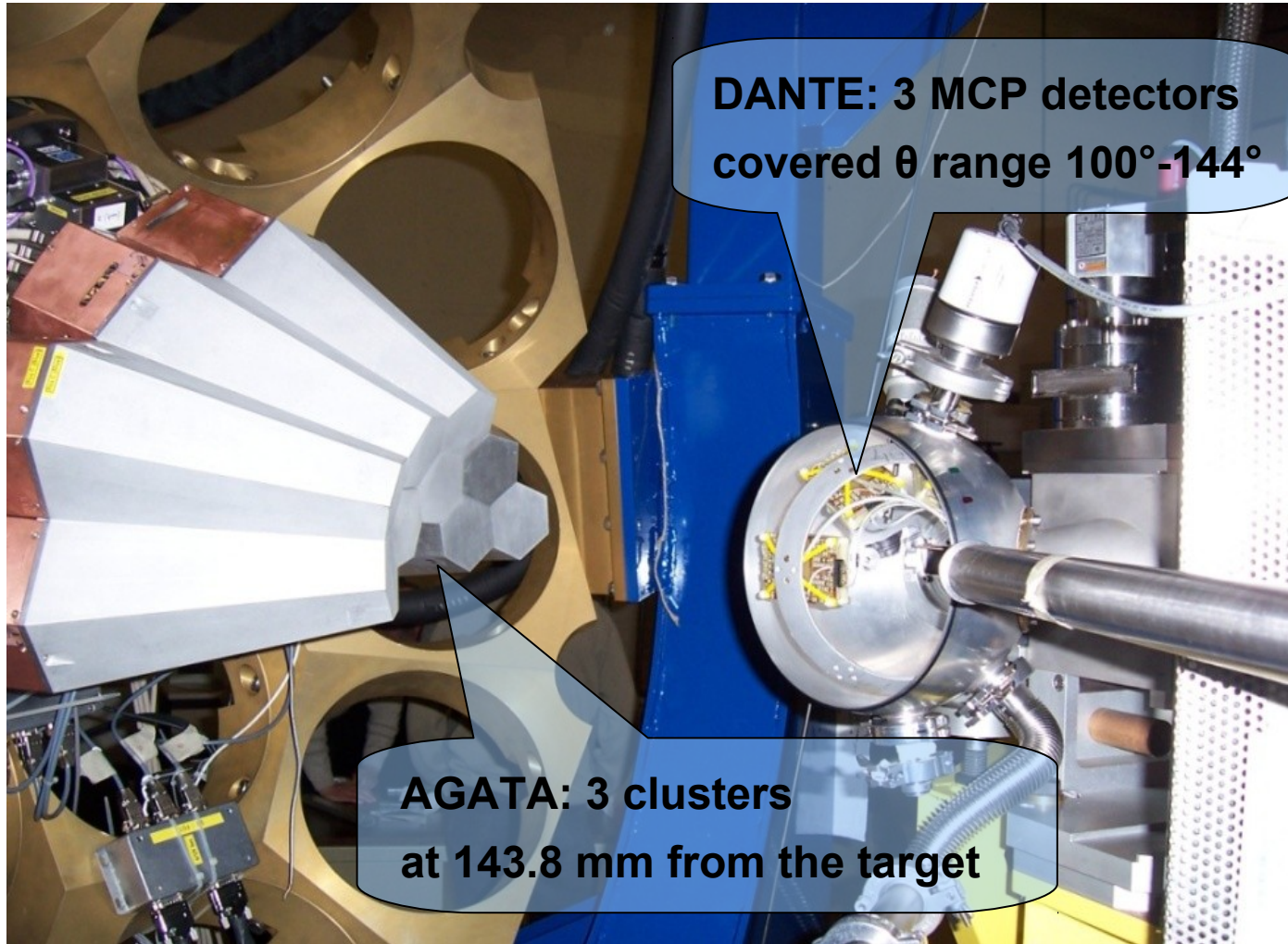
^{40}Ar : E. Ideguchi et al., PLB 686 (2010) 18

^{40}Ca : E. Ideguchi et al., PRL 87 (2001) 222501
and C.J.Chicara et al., PRC 67 (2003) 041303(R)

^{42}Ca : M. Lach et al., EPJA 16 (2003) 309

^{44}Ti : D.C. O'Leary et al., PRC 61 (2000) 064314

^{42}Ca Coulomb excitation experiment at LNL



beam-time: Feb.2010
beam: ^{42}Ca , 170 MeV

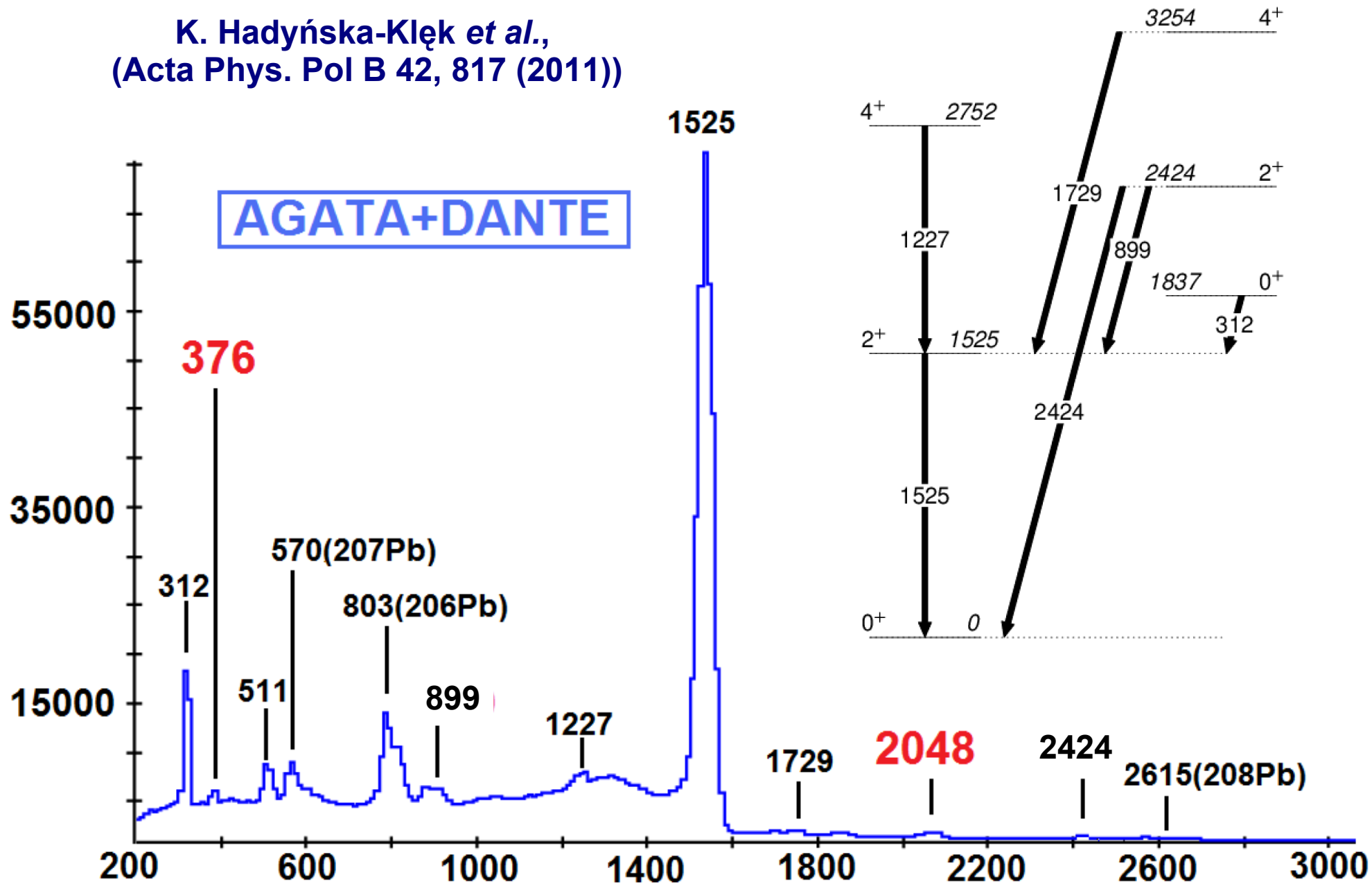
target 1: ^{208}Pb , 1 mg/cm²
target 2: ^{197}Au , 1 mg/cm²

particle- γ coincidence

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spectrum – $^{42}\text{Ca}+^{208}\text{Pb}$ unknown lines

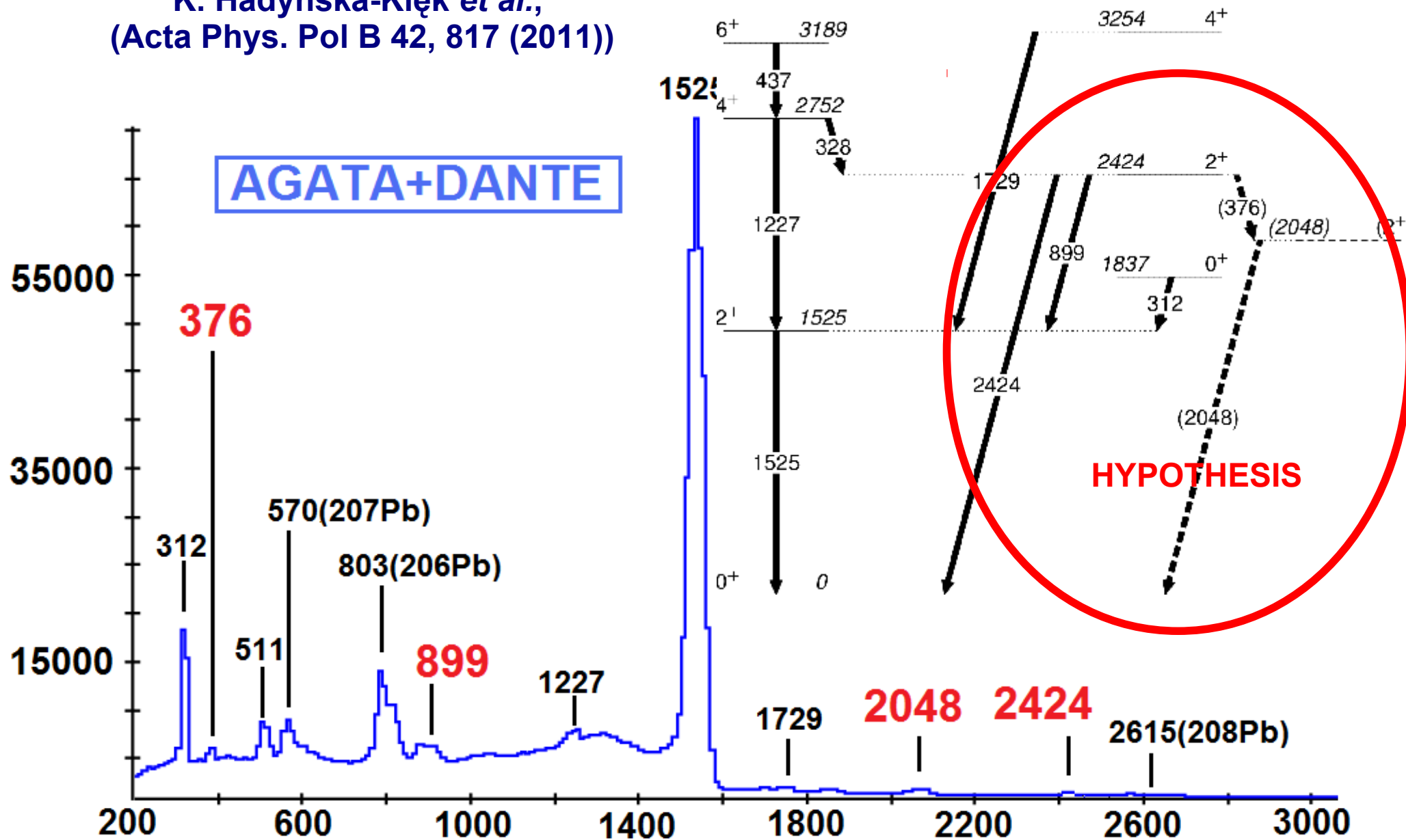
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γ spectrum – $^{42}\text{Ca} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$

unknown lines & postulated interpretation

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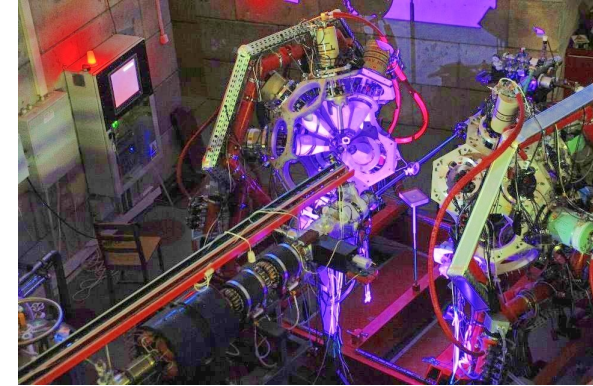
Fusion-evaporation experiment

Heavy Ion Laboratory, Warsaw (Oct.2011)

Reaction: $^{12}\text{C}(^{32}\text{S},2\text{p})^{42}\text{Ca}$, 76 MeV

EAGLE array: 16 HPGe in ACS

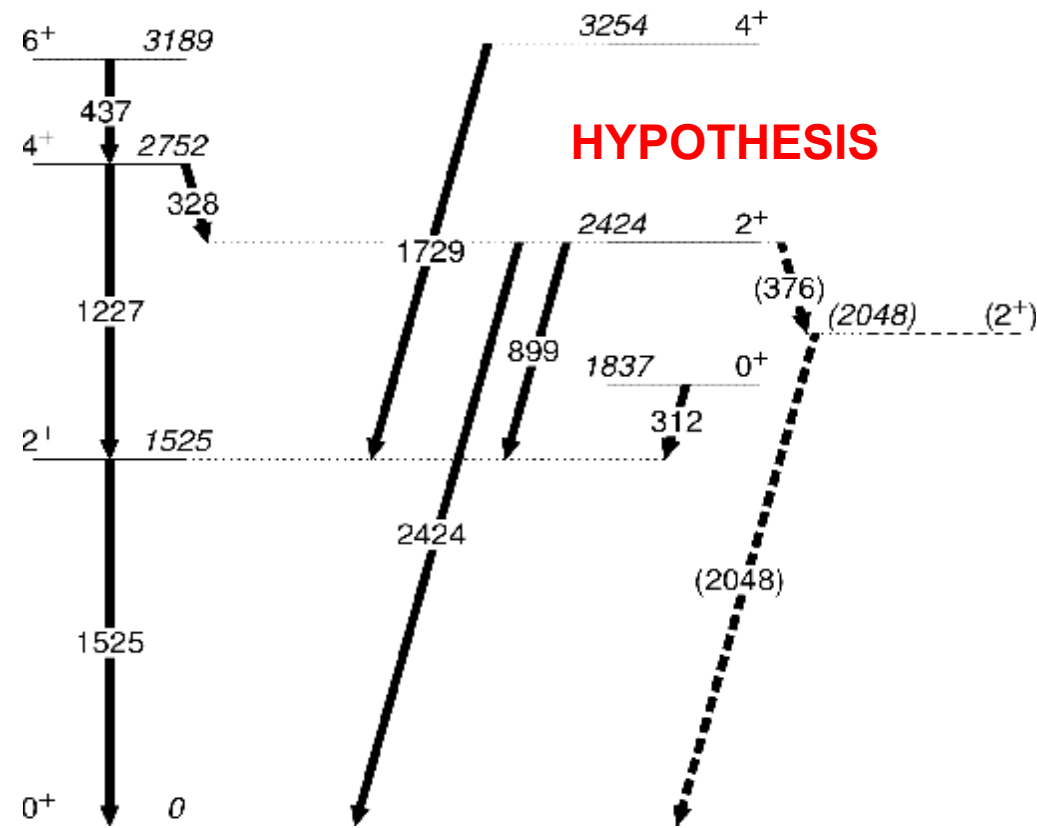
beam-time: 4 days



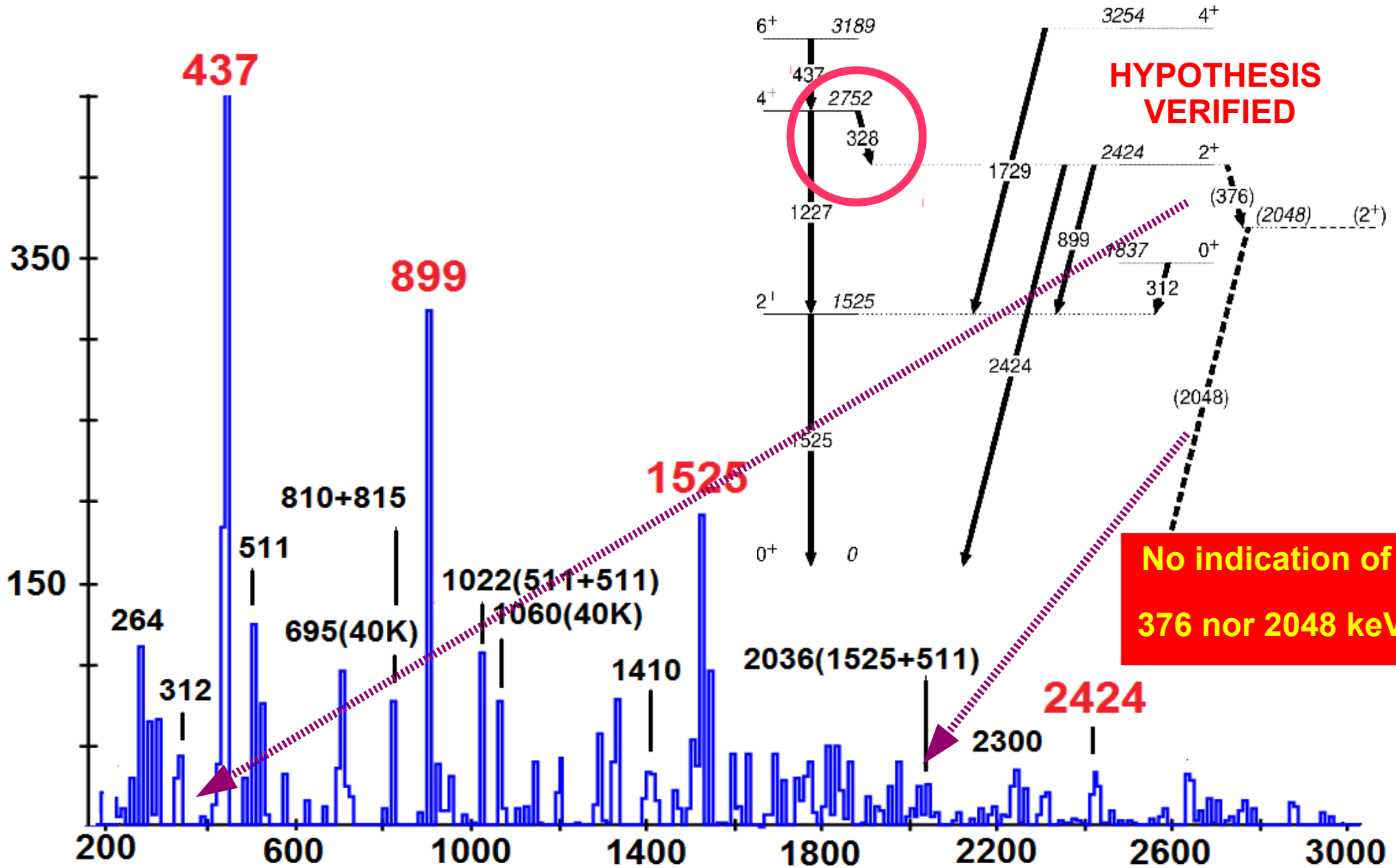
The aim of the additional experiment:
investigation of the medium and low spin
region in ^{42}Ca

The most important issues:

- possible new level at 2048 keV
- branching ratio determination of the decay γ -lines from 2424 keV level

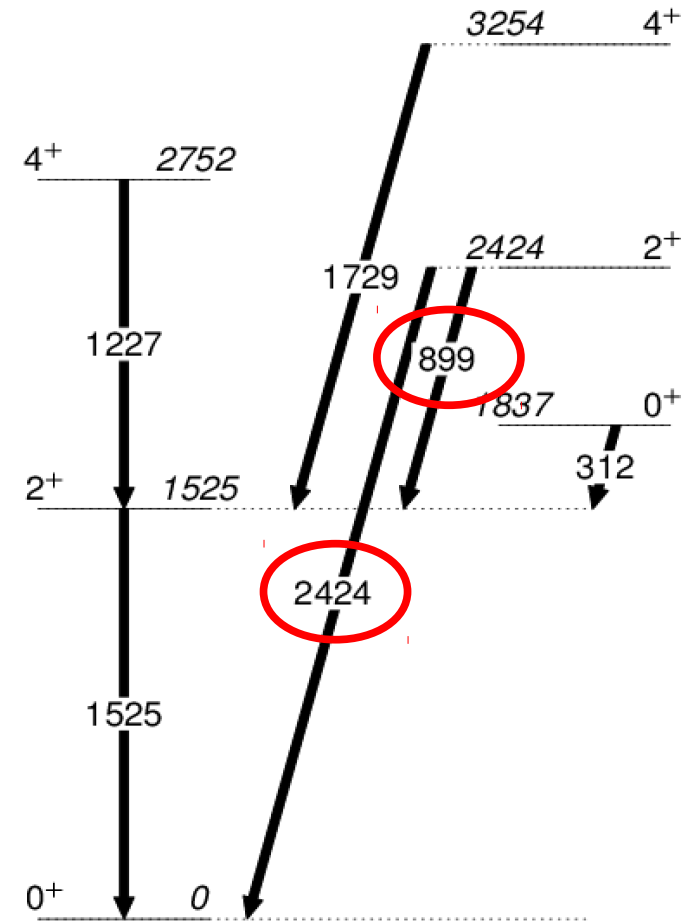


Fusion-evaporation experiment @ HIL Warsaw (Oct.2011) - results

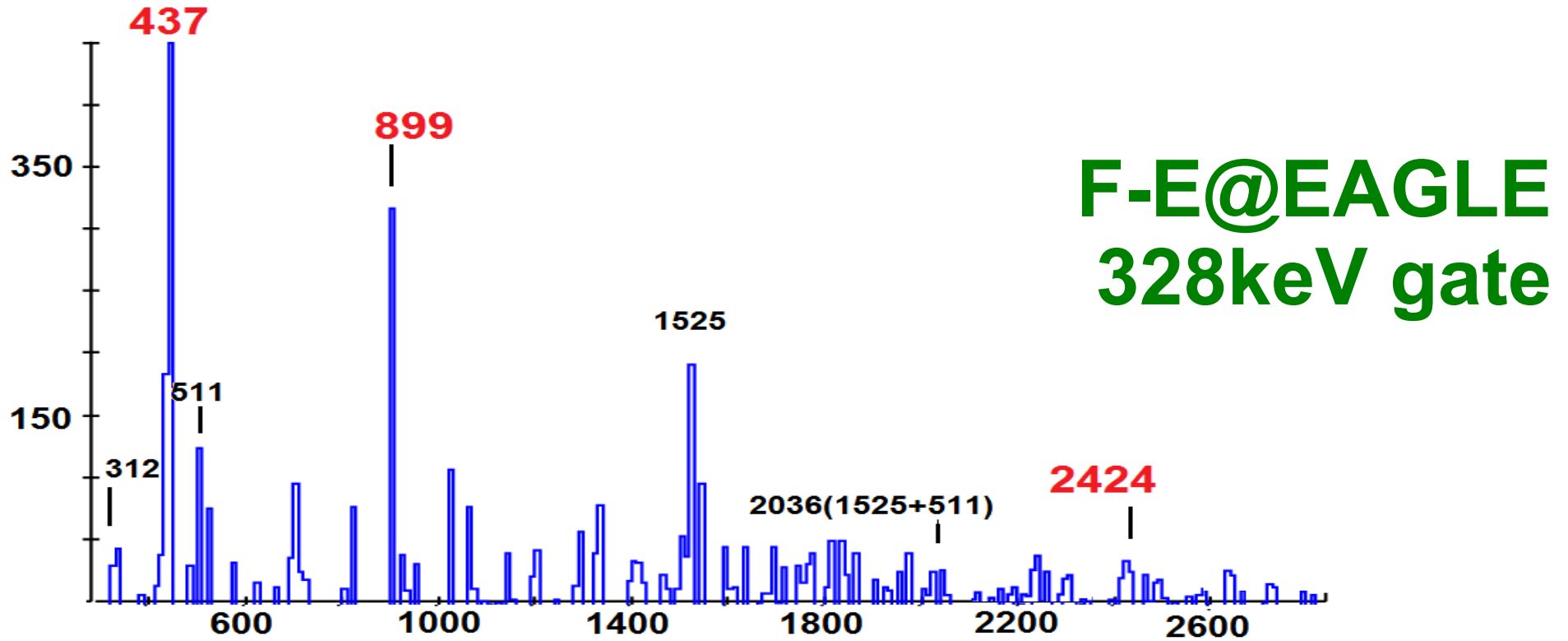
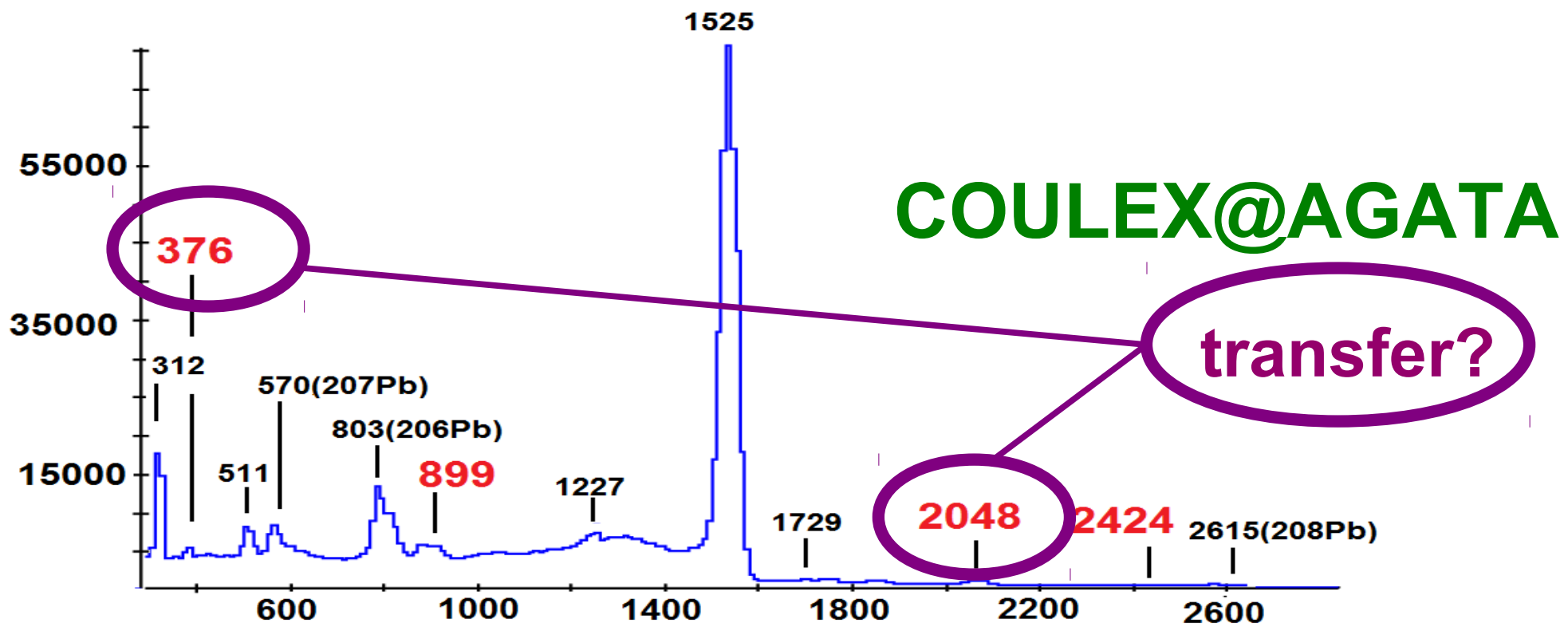


Fusion-evaporation experiment @ HIL Warsaw (Oct.2011) – results branching ratio

Branching Ratio (2424keV/899keV)	REFERENCE
0.443 (0.021)	Kossler (1969)
0.333 (0.048)	Kern (1980)
0.351 (0.065)	This work



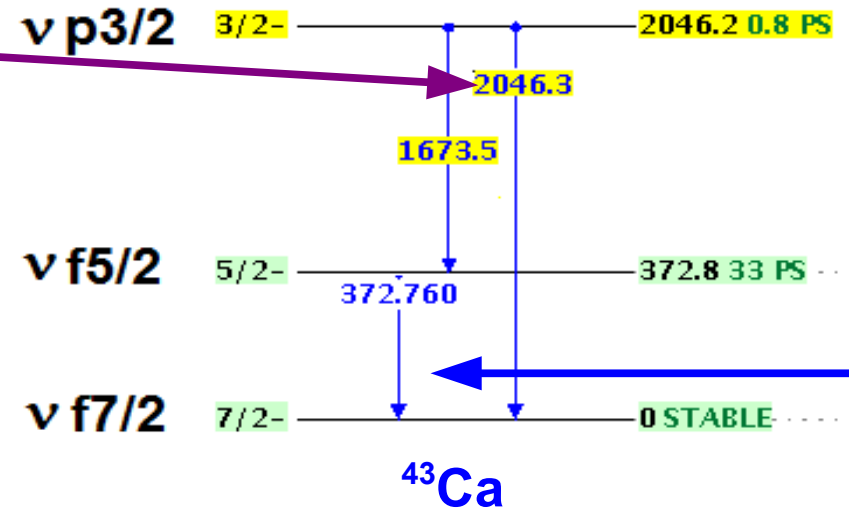
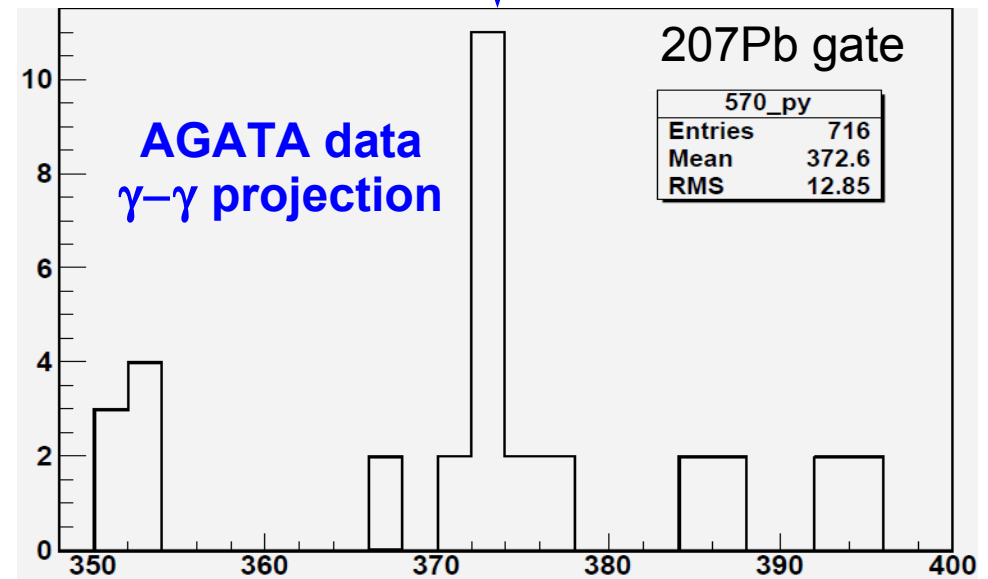
Obtained value will be applied to the COULEX analysis as an additional spectroscopic data



Sub-barrier transfer reaction?

$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{42}\text{Ca}, ^{43}\text{Ca})^{207}\text{Pb}$ @ 170MeV
(85% of the Coulomb barrier)

Level	$d\sigma/d\omega$ (mb/sr)
	(max)
0	2.85
373	0.06
593	1.36
990	0.29
1393	0.03
1676	0.03
1899	0.05
1928	0.02
1954	2.79
2041	28.2
2096	0.04
2219	0.02
2246	0.06
2269	0.06



Brown et.al., Nucl. Phys. A225 (1974) 267-299
($^{42}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{43}\text{Ca}$ reaction investigated)

Sub-barrier transfer reaction?

$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{42}\text{Ca}, ^{43}\text{Ca})^{207}\text{Pb}$ @ 170MeV

(85% of the Coulomb barrier) - calculations

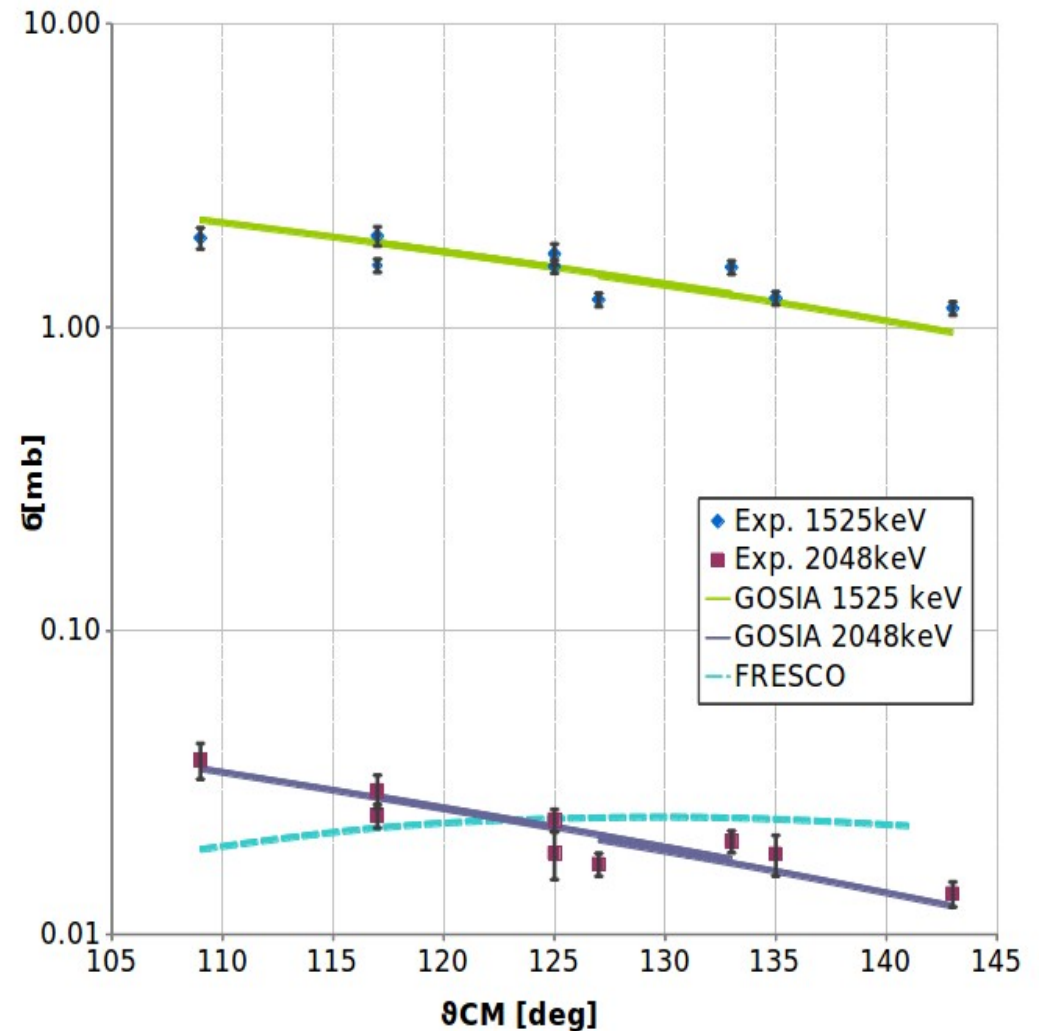
- angular range of the DANTE detectors was divided into 9 bins

- angular distributions of the yields for the 1525 keV and 2048 keV transitions compared with the results of calculations performed by using the **GOSIA** (COULEX formalism) and **FRESCO** transfer code (thanks to K. Rusek)

- ratio of 2048 and 376 keV ~ 30%
like the ratio of 2046 and 373 keV transitions in ^{43}Ca

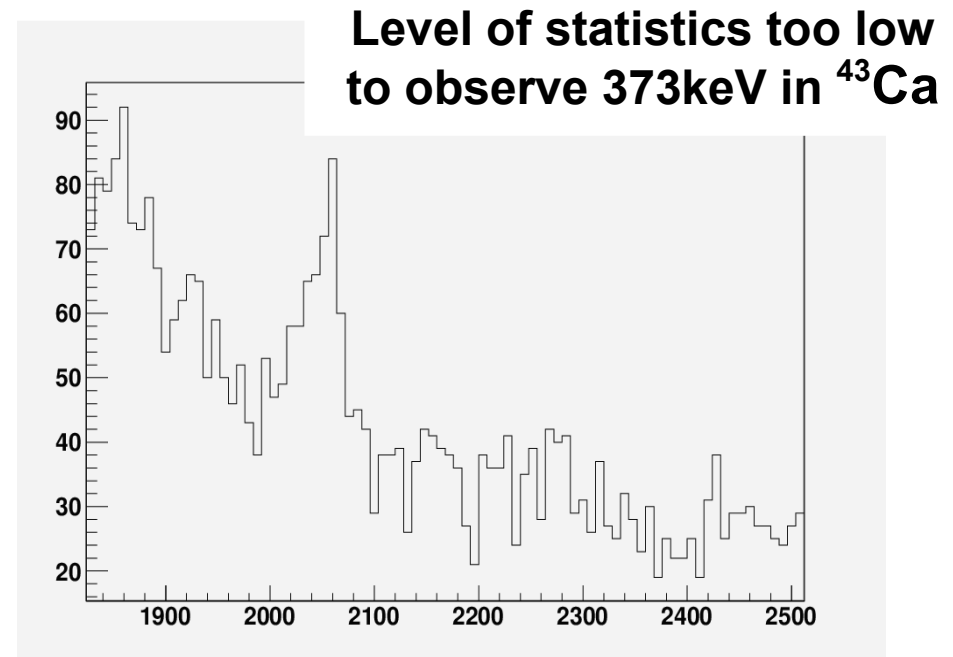
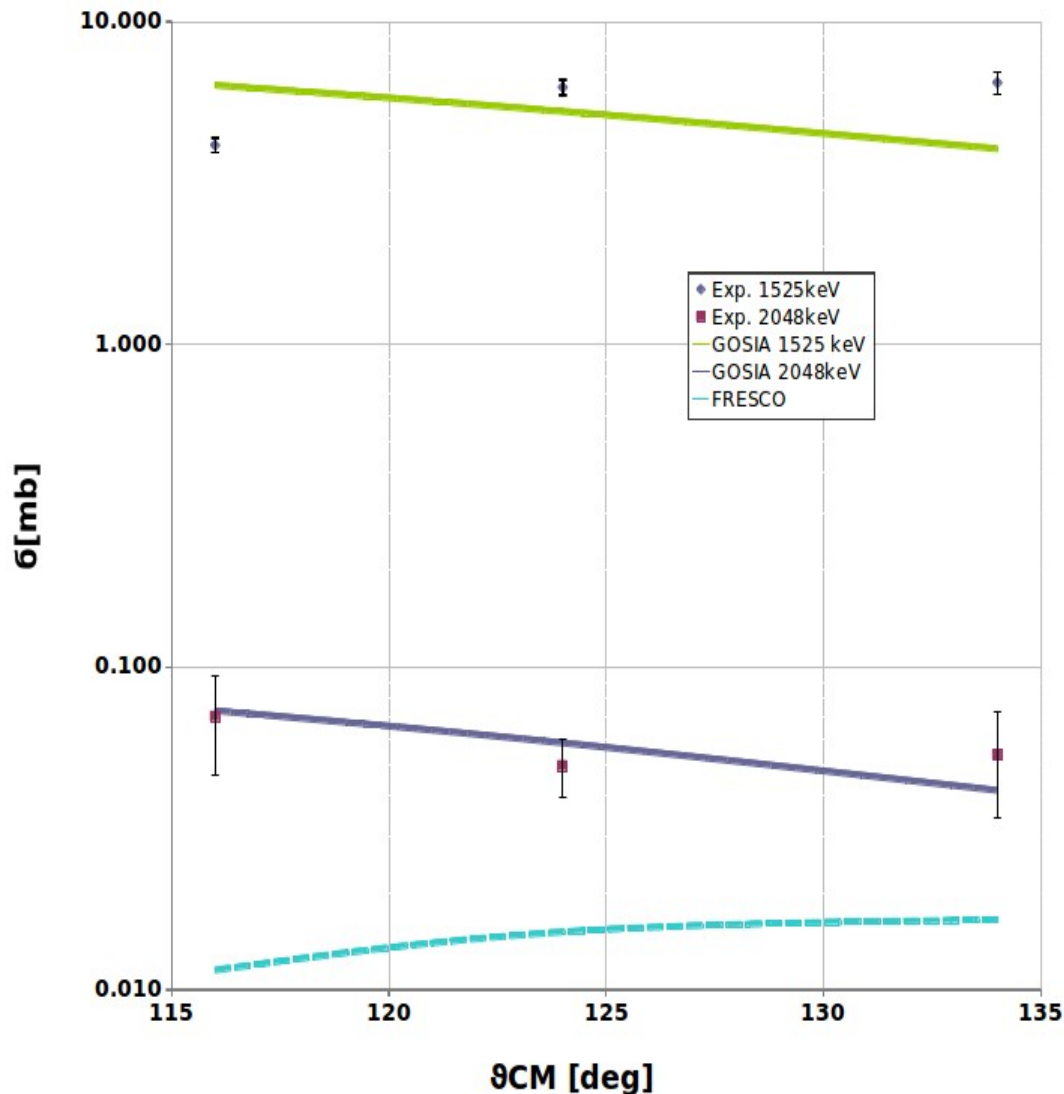
- 1-neutron transfer hypothesis seems possible

...BUT...



Sub-barrier transfer reaction?

$^{197}\text{Au}(^{42}\text{Ca}, ^{43}\text{Ca})^{196}\text{Au}$ @ 170MeV
(87% of the Coulomb barrier)



The same procedure was applied...

... but there is one order of magnitude difference between experimental 2048 keV yields and the cross section calculated by using the FRESCO code

Conclusions

- Coulomb excitation of ^{42}Ca performed at LNL using the AGATA demonstrator coupled to DANTE array
- low-lying levels in ^{42}Ca were successfully populated via multi-step COULEX up to 4^+ states
- 376 and 2048 keV γ -lines of unknown origin were observed – possible new level?
- additional fusion-evaporation reaction of $^{12}\text{C}(^{32}\text{S},2p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ was performed with EAGLE array at HIL Warsaw
- no coincidence between 376 and 2048 keV and between those lines and other in ^{42}Ca was observed
- 2424keV/899keV branching ratio determined
- possibility of the sub-barrier neutron transfer reactions is being studied using calculations performed by using the GOSIA and FRESCO codes for both ^{208}Pb and ^{197}Au targets

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