

# Silicon detectors in gamma spectroscopy

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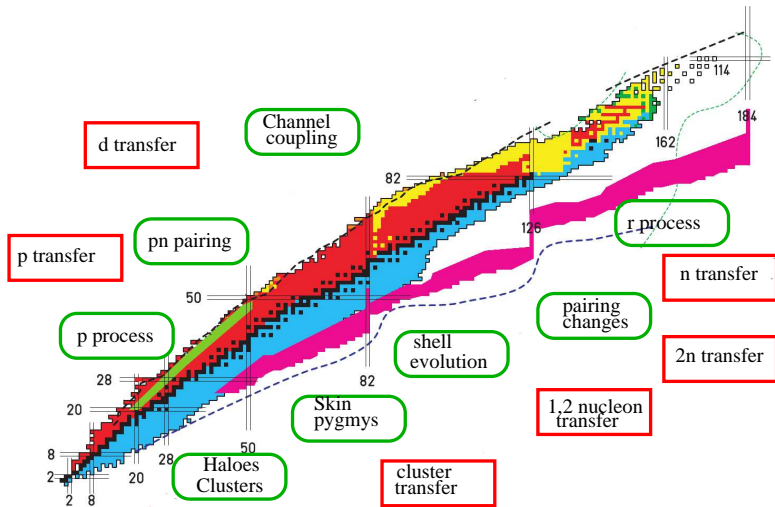
# Outline

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  - Silicon-based array
- 3 TRACE
  - Performance with AGATA
  - PSA campaign
  - FEE-BEE-DAQ



# Transfer reactions with RIB

an old tool to access new phenomena



# The age of silicon

- 1951 First detectors with Germanium pn-Diodes (McKay)
- 1960 Working samples of p-i-n-Detectors for  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -spectroscopy (E.M.Pell)
- 1964 Use of semiconductor detectors in experimental nuclear physics (G.T.Ewan, A.J.Tavendale)
- 1960ies Semiconductor detectors made of germanium and silicon become more and more important for energy spectroscopy (D.A.Bromley PRL4(1960)365)
- 1980 Litographic technique for planar diode (J.Kemmer NIMA169(1980)499)

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RESONANT ELASTIC SCATTERING OF  $C^{12}$  BY CARBON

D. A. Bromley, J. A. Kuehner, and E. Almqvist  
Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, Chalk River, Ontario, Canada  
(Received February 29, 1960)

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FABRICATION OF LOW NOISE SILICON RADIATION DETECTORS BY THE PLANAR PROCESS

J KEMMER

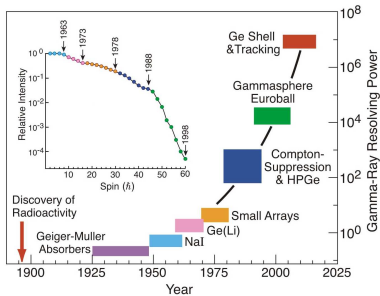
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Received 30 July 1979 and in revised form 22 October 1979

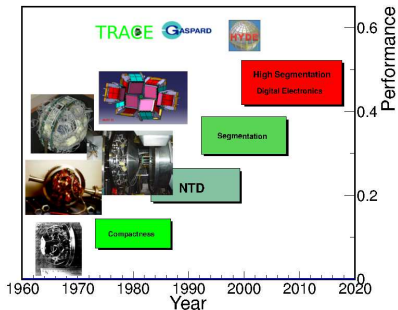
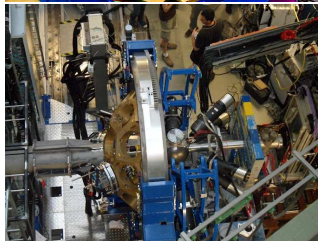
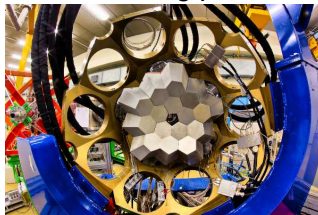
*Dedicated to Prof. Dr. H.-J. Barn on the occasion of his 70th birthday*

*By applying the well known techniques of the planar process: oxide passivation, photo engraving and ion implantation, Si pn-junction detectors were fabricated with leakage currents of less than  $1 \text{ nA cm}^{-2}/100 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$  at room temperature. Best values for the energy resolution were 100 keV for the 5.486 MeV alphas of  $^{241}\text{Am}$  at 22°C using  $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$  detector chips*





## Resolving power



# Ambit of the new silicon-based array

- emerging RIB facilities



- Energy regime  
few MeV  $\rightarrow$  tens of MeV/u  
Discrimination  
PSA,  $E\Delta E$
- Special targets  
cryogenic:  $H_2$ ,  $He_2$ , etc.
- Flexibility  
coupling with others detectors



# Light charged particle Complementary detectors

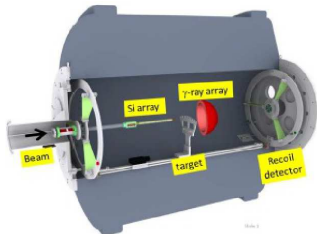
## ■ Silicon based array

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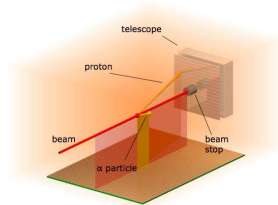
GASPARD



## ■ Solenoid

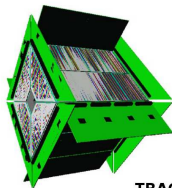


## ■ Active target

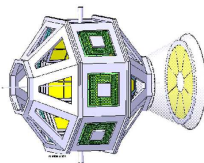


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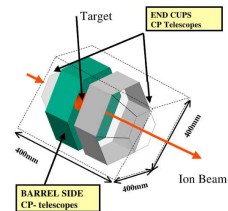
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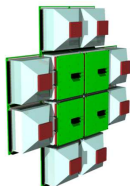
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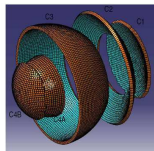
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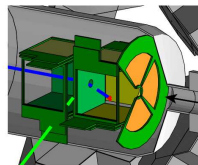
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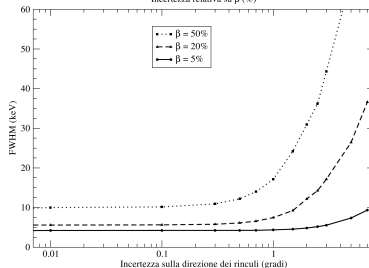
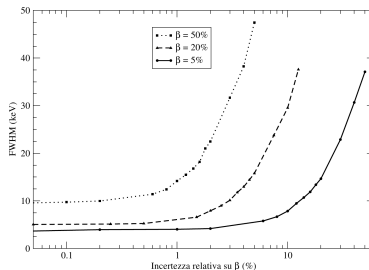
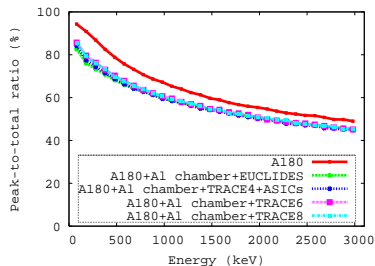
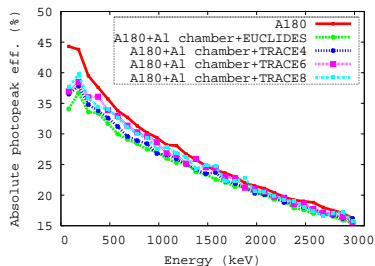
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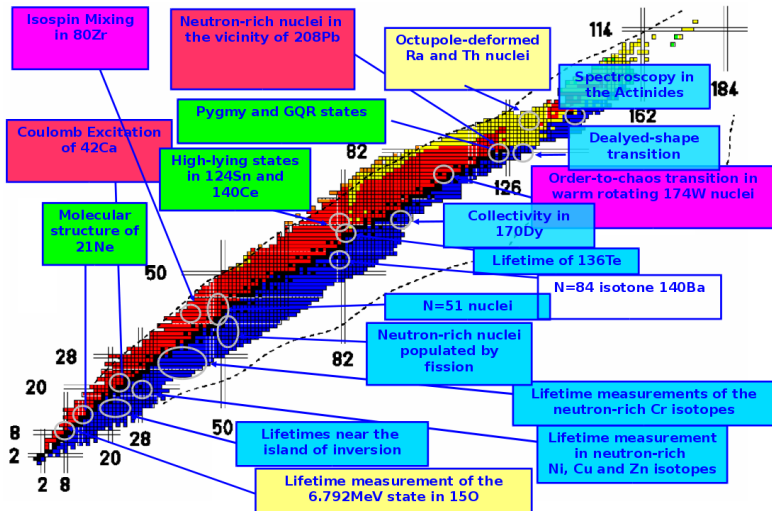
# Ancillary detector requirements

## Coupling with (tracking-)gamma array: AGATA, PARIS



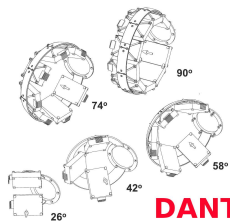
# The physics campaign with LNL stable beam

## The experimental runs

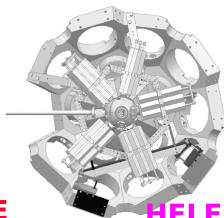


# Complementary detectors

LNL

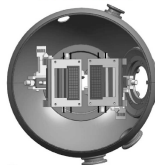


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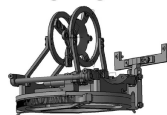


**HELENA**

**TRACE**



**PLUNGER**



# TRACE

Highly-segmented silicon-pad detector for particles and light ions detection.

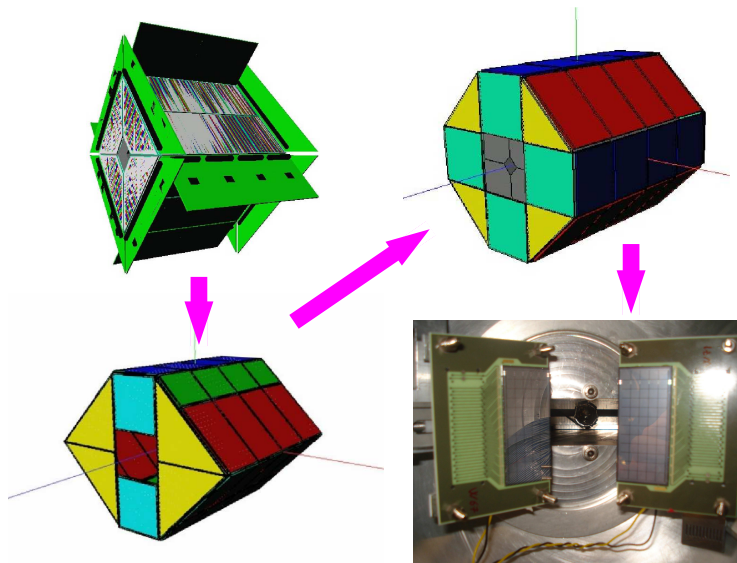
- Two-layer silicon-telescope array to be used as an ANCILLARY of large gamma-ray spectrometers
- Direct (TRANSFER and COULEX) → neutron-rich nuclei delivered at the new facilities.
- FE reaction → proton-rich nuclei

## What is new then?

- Digital electronics (with embedded PSA capability)
- Triggerless system
- NT detectotors



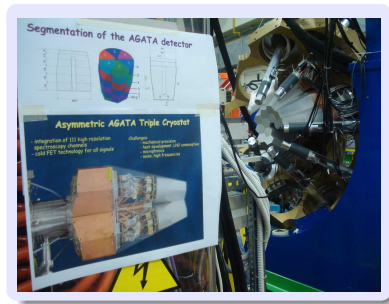
# TRACEx: the genesis



# TRACE+AGATA

## Three in-beam experiments

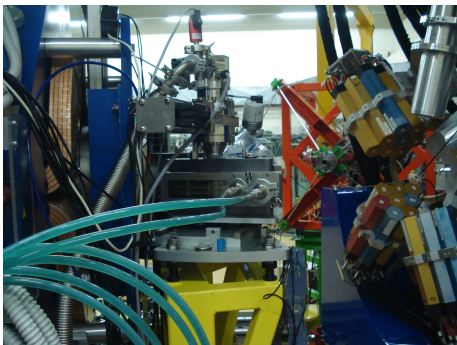
- Study of High-Lying States in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  with the AGATA Demonstrator
- Confirmation of the molecular structure of excited bands in  $^{21}\text{Ne}$
- Study of high-lying bound and unbound states in  $^{124}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{140}\text{Ce}$  via inelastic scattering of  $^{17}\text{O}$  ions



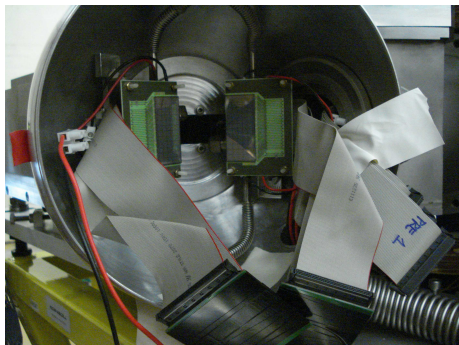
# Study of high-lying states in $^{208}\text{Pb}$ and $^{90}\text{Zr}$

$^{17}\text{O}(340\text{MeV})+^{90}\text{Zr},^{208}\text{Pb}$ .

R.Nicolini,D.Mengoni



- AGATA DEMO 4ATCs
- Scintillator array: Large volume  $\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}, \text{BaF}_2$ .
- Highly segmented Silicon telescope

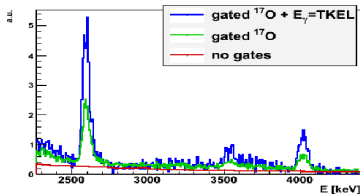
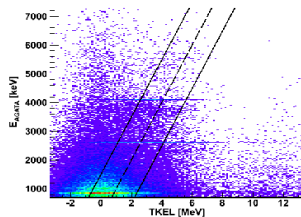
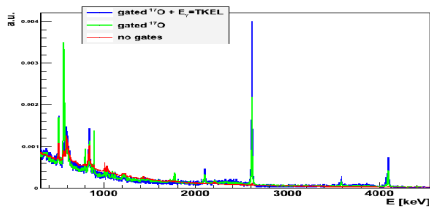
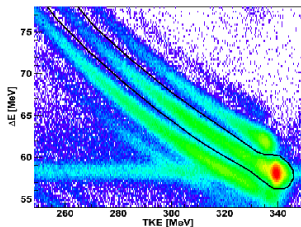


- Pad segmentation: 60 (5x12) pixels
- Pixel area of  $4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^2$ , Cooled  $\sim -30^\circ \text{C}$
- E detector: 1-mm thick
- $\Delta E$  detector: 200- $\mu\text{m}$  thick



# Study of high-lying states in $^{208}\text{Pb}$ and $^{90}\text{Zr}$

Courtesy of R.Nicolini (INFN-Mi).  $\rightsquigarrow$  L.Pellegrini on Wednesday.



- Select  $^{17}\text{O}$  scattering
- Recoil Doppler correction
- Select  $E_\gamma = \text{TKEL}$

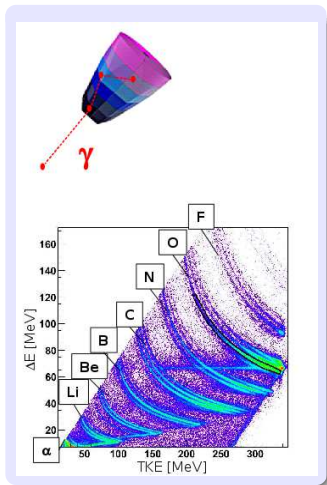
- Lines visible in the pygmy region  $\sim 6\text{MeV}$
- Possible different lines from NRF
- RPA calculations



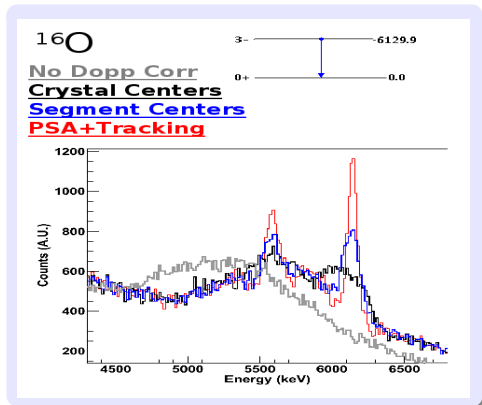


# TRACE telescope

Performance of the AGATA-TRACE setup (Coulex)



- Z and M up to Z = 9
- $\beta \sim 20\%$

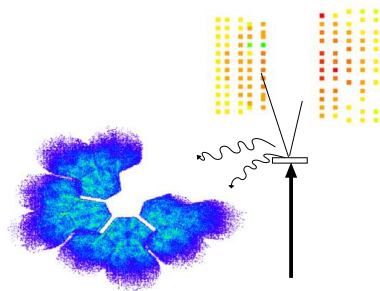


- $^{16}\text{O}$  channel: high energy  $\gamma$ -ray low background from target.....
- FWHM  $\sim 0.9\%$
- Good PSA performance

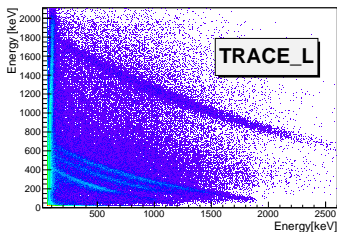
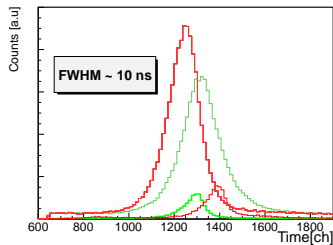


# TRACE for light-charged particles

${}^7\text{Li}+{}^{16}\text{O}$  Quasi-fusion reaction for  ${}^{21}\text{Ne}$



- TRACE- $\gamma\gamma$
- kinematic reconstruction of the binary partner



$\rightsquigarrow$  C. Wheldon on Wednesday



# PSA campaign

TRACE-GASPARD-HYDE collaboration

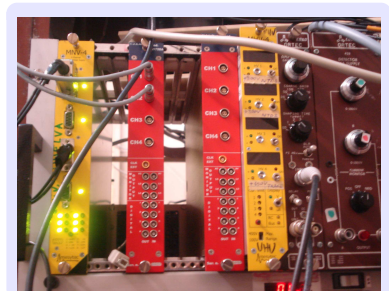
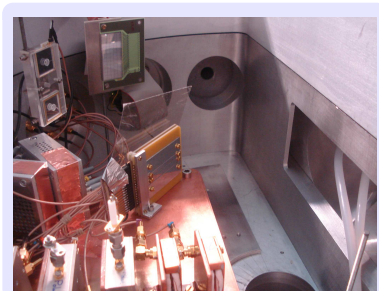
- Orsay: proof of principle for the discrimination of light charged particles with single-pad NTD det.
- Orsay: test for segmented DSSSDs
- LNL: test for higher Z,A and coupling with a tracking array

## Goals

- PSA on light-charged particles
- Enhance the geometrical resolution via transient signals



# PSA experiment at the ORSAY tandem accelerator



## Setup

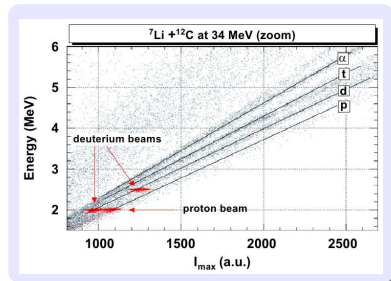
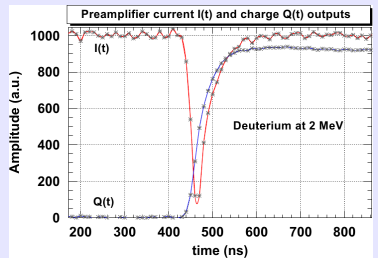
- 200- $\mu\text{m}$  thick TRACE prototype at forward angle
- 500- $\mu\text{m}$  thick single pad FAZIA prototype
- FEE: Mesytec pre + 2 CAEN digitizer(100MHz,14bits)
- MUST2 strip detector with MATAQ boards FEE electronics





## Identification of light particles by means of pulse shape analysis with silicon detector at low energy

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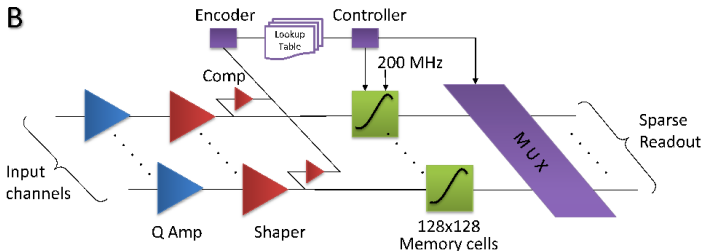
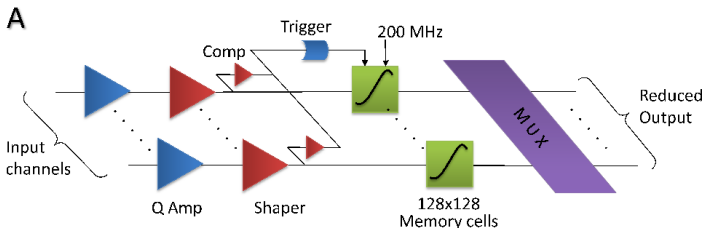


↪ J.Duenas, M.Assie, T.Kröll on Thursday



# FEE: Preamp + Analog memories

Solution A MUX:  $\sim 5\text{KHz}/128\text{ch}$ ; Solution B: sparse readout



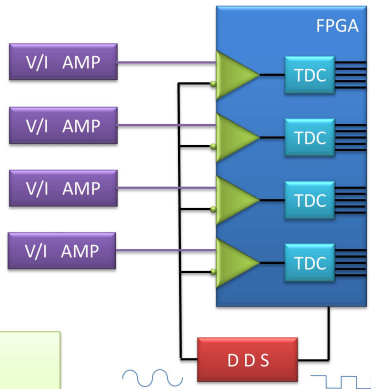
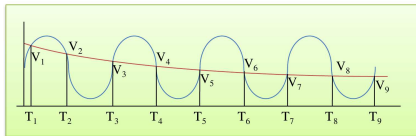
$\rightsquigarrow$  Synergy WG on Thursday



# FPGA as ADC: a local solution for the BEE

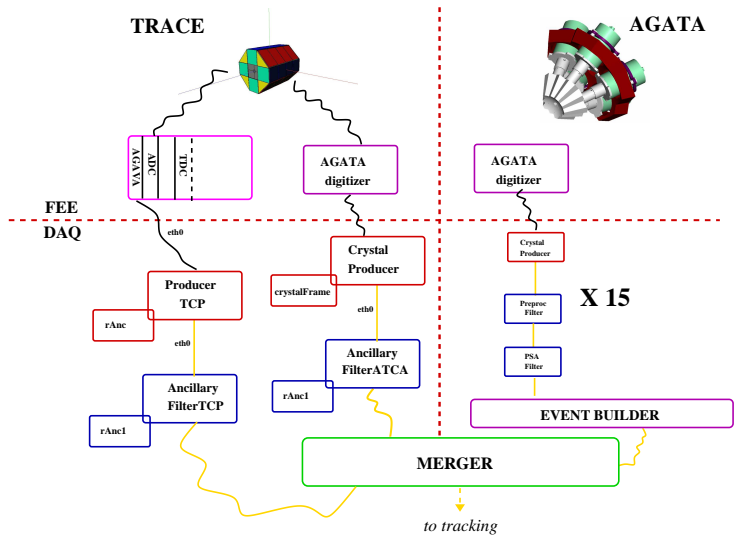
cheaper (and high integration?)

- From PA directly to FPGA differential inputs
- External digital synthesizer used to produce a  $V_{REF}$  sinusoid
- TDCs measure time differences further converted to voltage



~> A. Triossi on Thursday







# Summary and conclusions

- Various Si arrays partners projects on going at the emerging RIB sites.
  - Si array design mainly driven by DR prescriptions.
  - TRACE was successfully used for the AGATA Physics campaign at LNL.
- Needs for synergy efforts to build up a state-of-the-art Si array

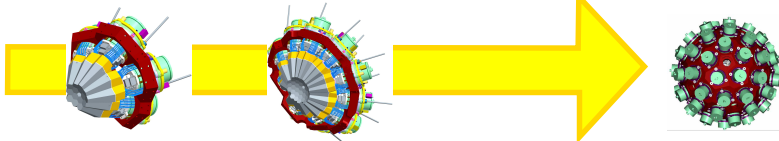




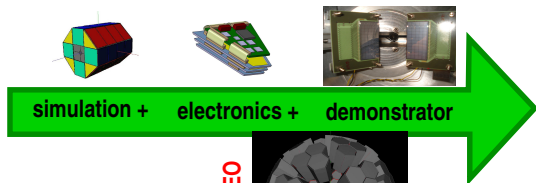
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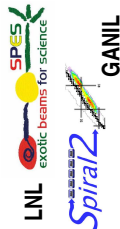
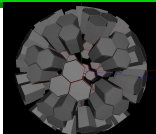
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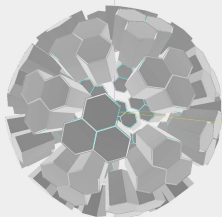


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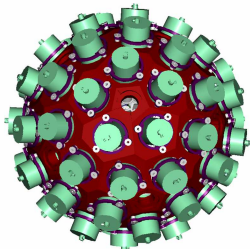


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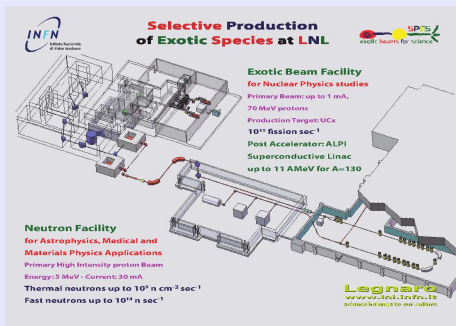
## GALILEO



## AGATA



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## Synergies

- GASPARD (SPIRAL2-GANIL)
- HYDE (FAIR-GSI)

