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Research topics in the field of nuclear physics at IFJ PAN

presented by Bogdan Fornal

- 1) Properties of highly excited and fast rotating nuclei (A. Maj, M. Kmiecik et al.).
- 2) Nuclear structure studies using multinucleon transfer, neutron-induced fission and neutron-capture processes (B. Fornal et al.).
- 3) High-spin phenomena in nuclei investigated with discrete gamma-ray spectroscopy and radioactive beams (P. Bednarczyk et al.).
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- 8) Fundamental symmetry tests with neutrons (BRAND and nEDM experiments) (A. Kozela, K. Pysz et al.).
- 9) The NA61/SHINE experiment at the SPS accelerator at CERN - study of electromagnetic effects in collisions of atomic nuclei at SPS energies (A. Rybicki et al.).
- 10) The ALICE experiment at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC@CERN) (M. Kowalski et al.)
- 11) Theoretical investigations of the dynamics of nuclear many-body systems (A. Szczurek et al.)
- 12) Shell-Model in the Continuum (Gamow SM and SMEC) (J. Okołowicz).
- 13) Neutron and gamma spectroscopy for nuclear fusion research: IFMIF-DONES and ITER (W. Królas et al.).
- 14) Range and Relative Biological Effectiveness uncertainties in proton therapy (A. Ruciński et al.).
- 15) Dosimetry of primary beam and scattered radiation in proton therapy (J. Swakoń et al.).

nuclear structure
reactions, nuclear matter, fund. symmetries
ultrarelativistic and LHC energies
theory
applications

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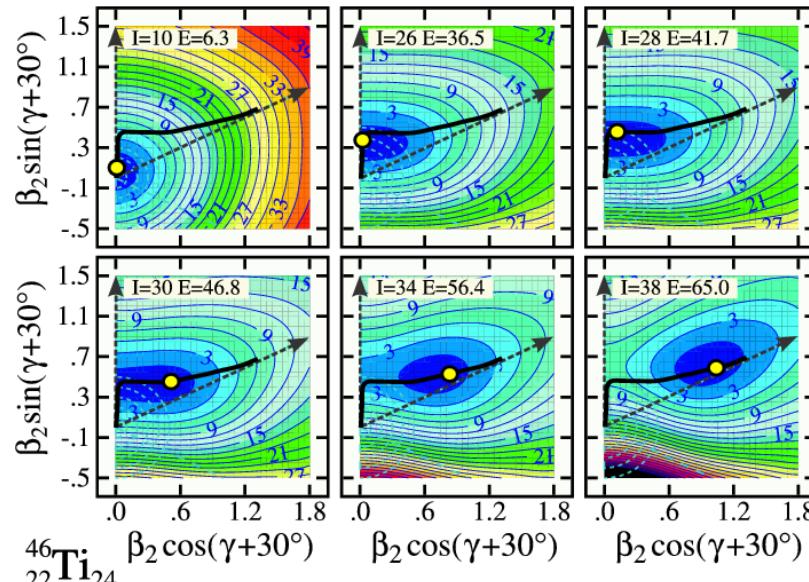
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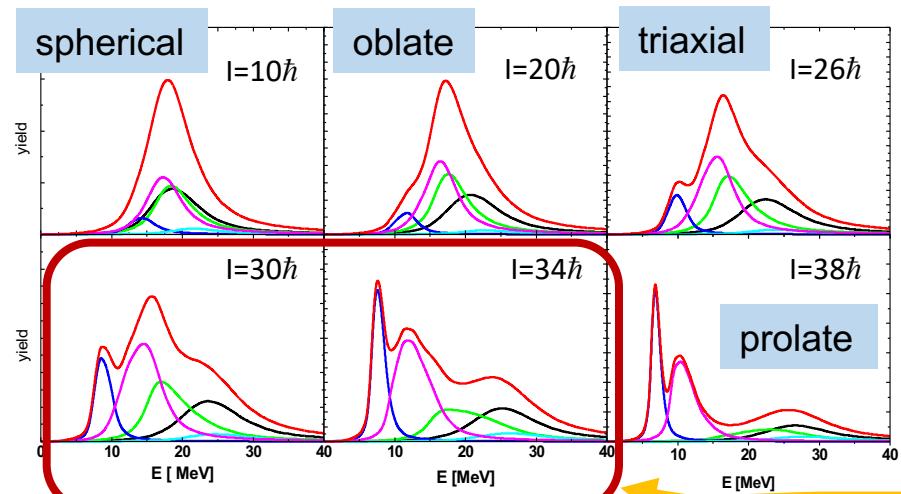


Properties of highly excited and fast rotating nuclei

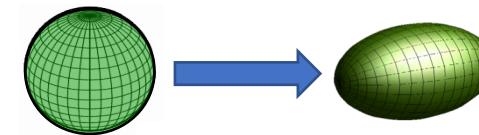
LSD model predictions – energy



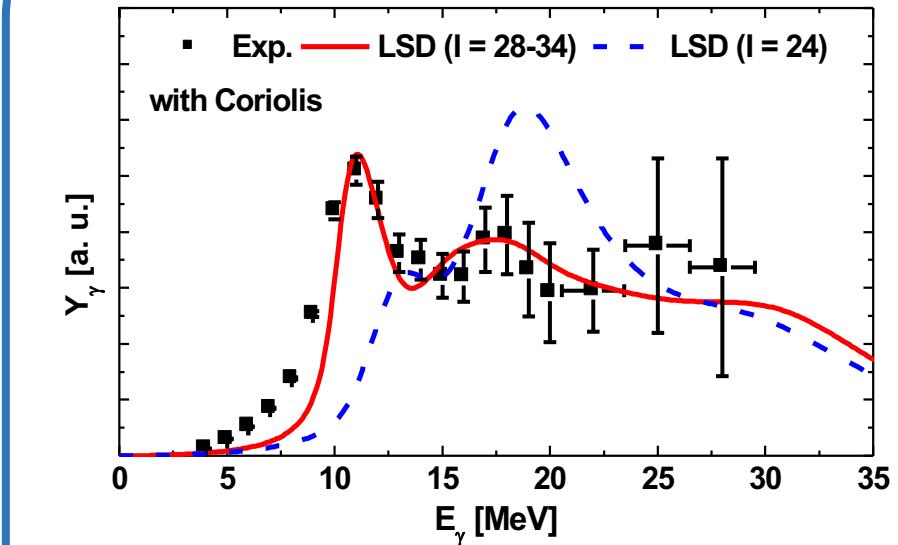
GDR strength functions



Jacobi shape transition in ^{46}Ti



EUROBALL + HECTOR exp. @ Strasbourg

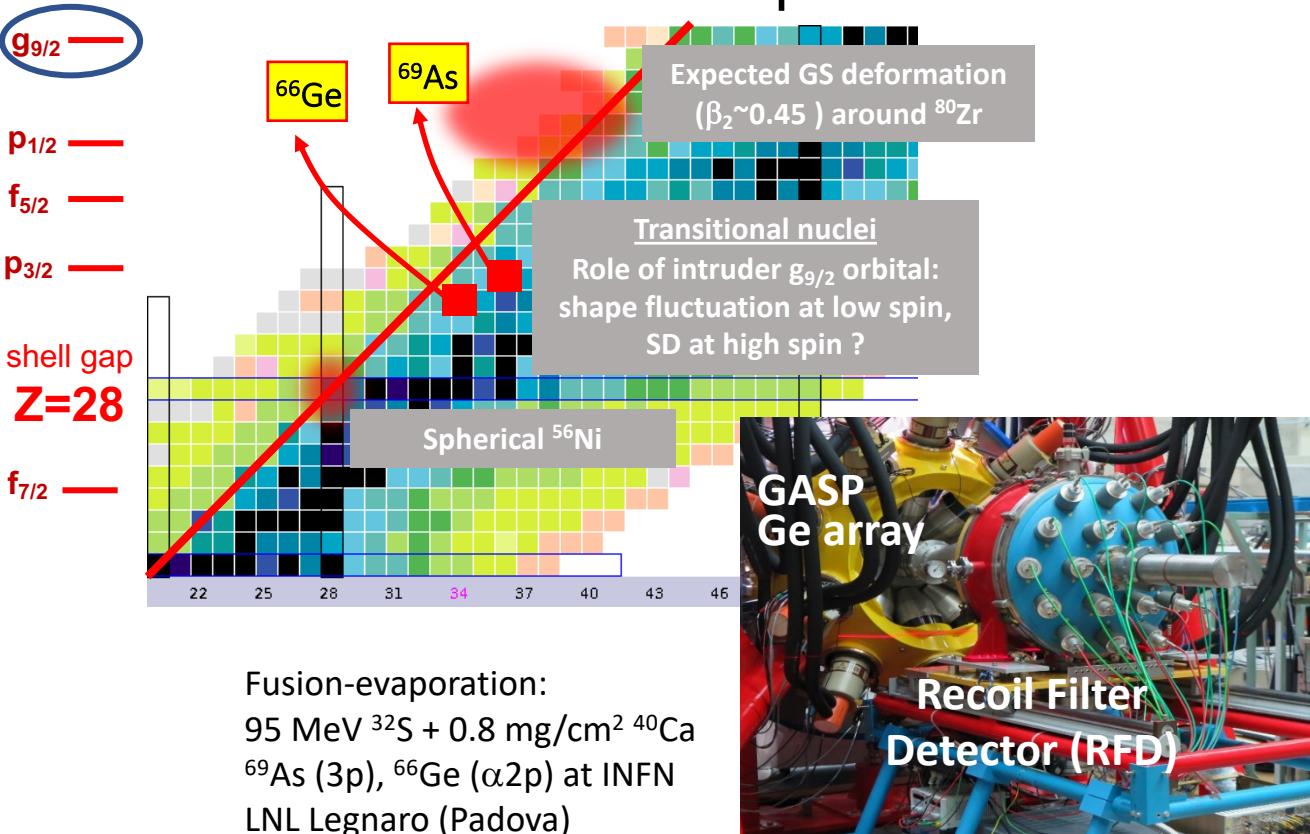


Jacobi shape transition
and Coriolis effect in ^{46}Ti

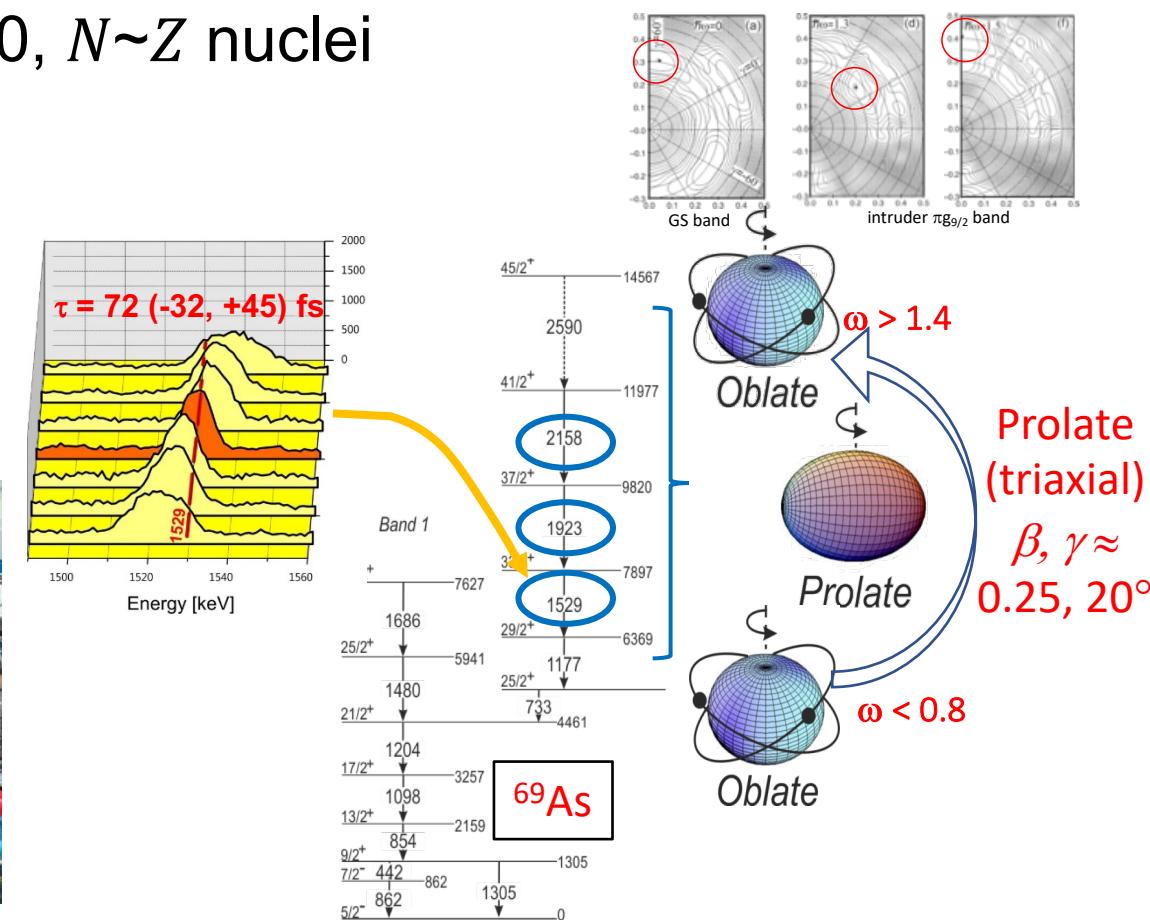
elongated triaxial
Jacobi shapes

High-spin phenomena in nuclei investigated with discrete gamma-ray spectroscopy and radioactive beams

Shape transition in $A \sim 70$, $N \sim Z$ nuclei



Measurement of very short lifetimes (fs) by DSAM thanks to application of the RFD for precise Doppler shift correction

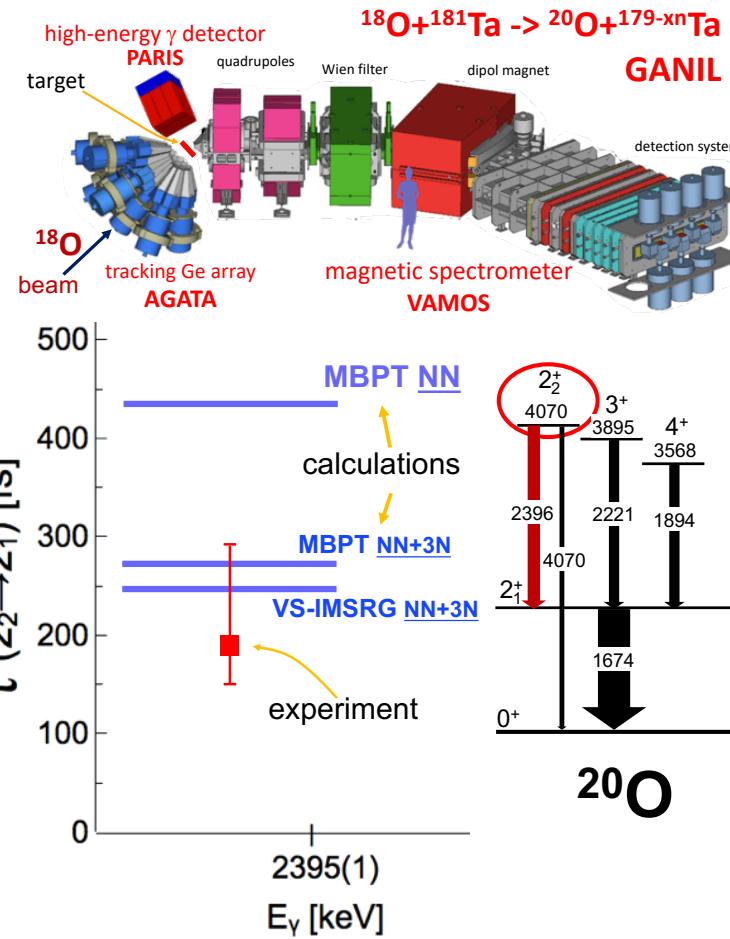


Important observation:
Very short lifetimes may indicate large beta deformation (SD), or rather moderate elongation but significant triaxiality.



Nuclear structure studies using multinucleon transfer, neutron-induced fission and neutron-capture processes

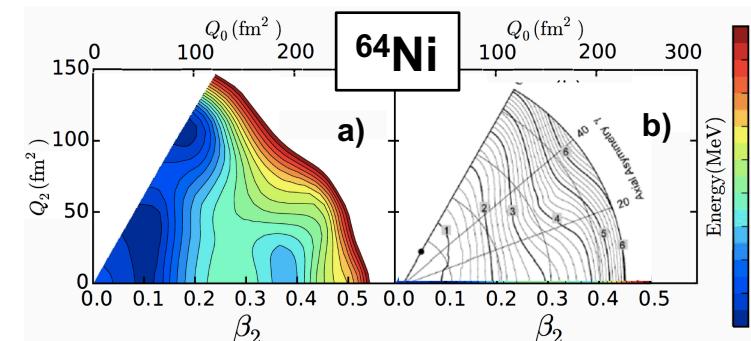
Electromagnetic observables as a probe of three-nucleon forces



Collaboration with Univ. and INFN Milano +
AGATA + PARIS + VAMOS

M. Ciemała *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 101, 021303(R) (2020)

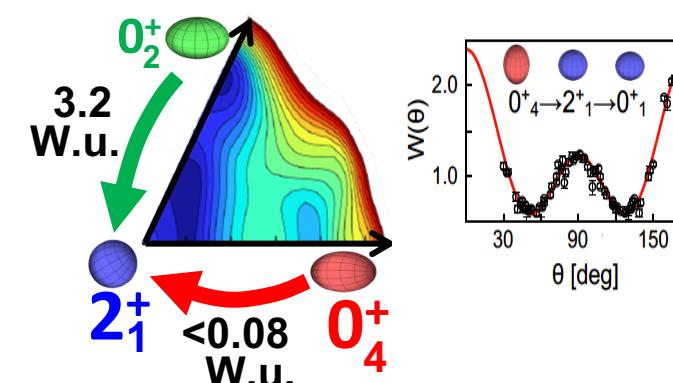
Shape coexistence driven by the monopole tensor interaction



(a) MCSM with tensor force (b) Macro-Microscopic Model

EXPERIMENTS

IFIN-HH (Bucharest, Romania): $2n$ and p sub-barrier transfer
 ILL (Grenoble, France): n capture on a radioactive ^{63}Ni target
 ANL (Argonne, USA): Coulomb excitation of a ^{64}Ni beam

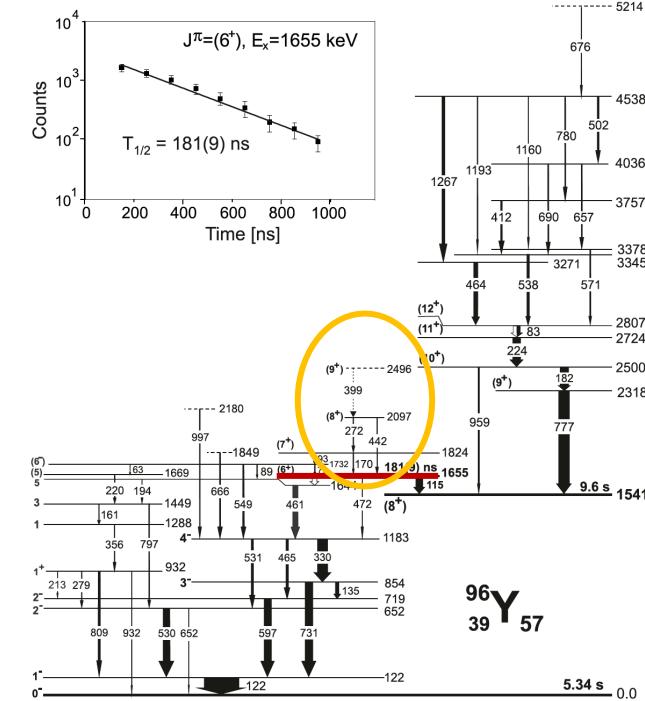


Collaboration with Univ.+INFN Milano + IFIN-HH + ILL + ANL
N. Marginean et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 102502 (2020).

Onset of shape coexistence before N = 60

EXPERIMENT

ILL (Grenoble, France): *neutron-induced fission of ^{236}U*



First observation of a deformed structure in the $N = 57$ isotope

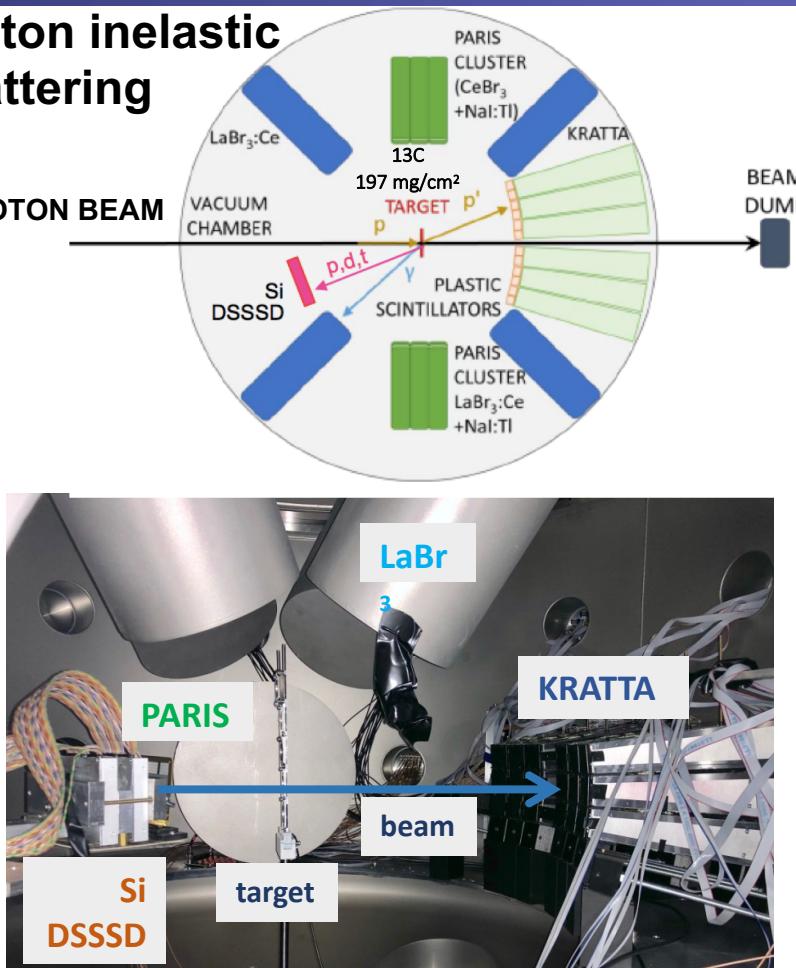
Collaboration with Univ.+INFN Milano + ILL

L. Iskra et al., Phys. Rev. C (accepted)

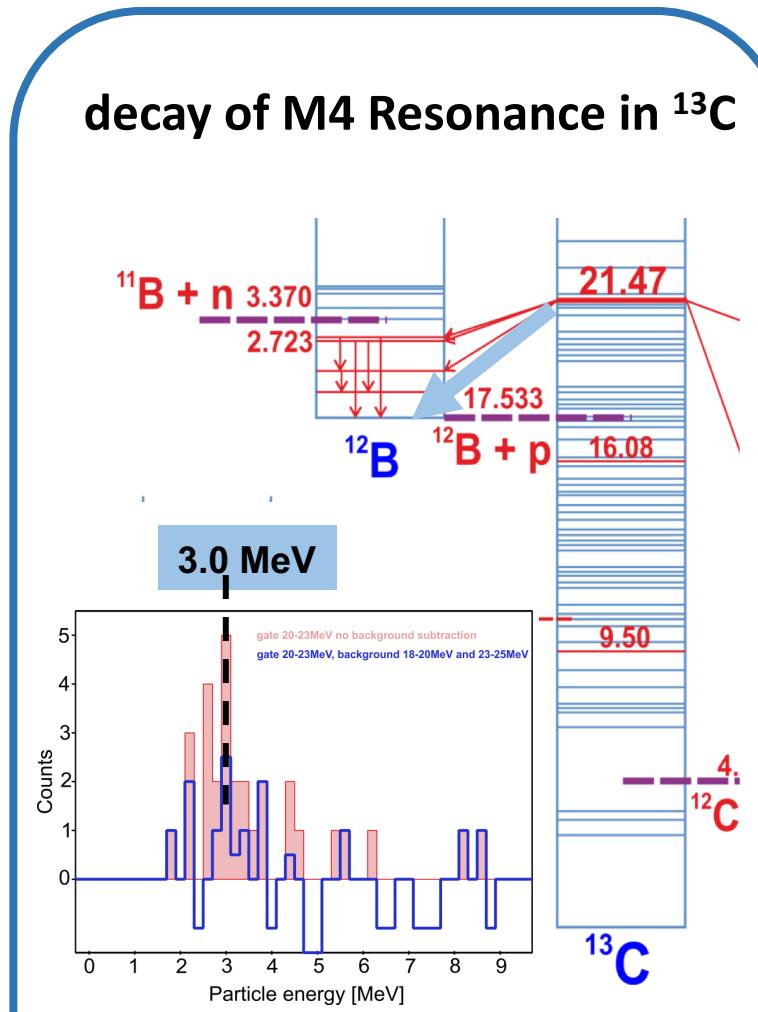
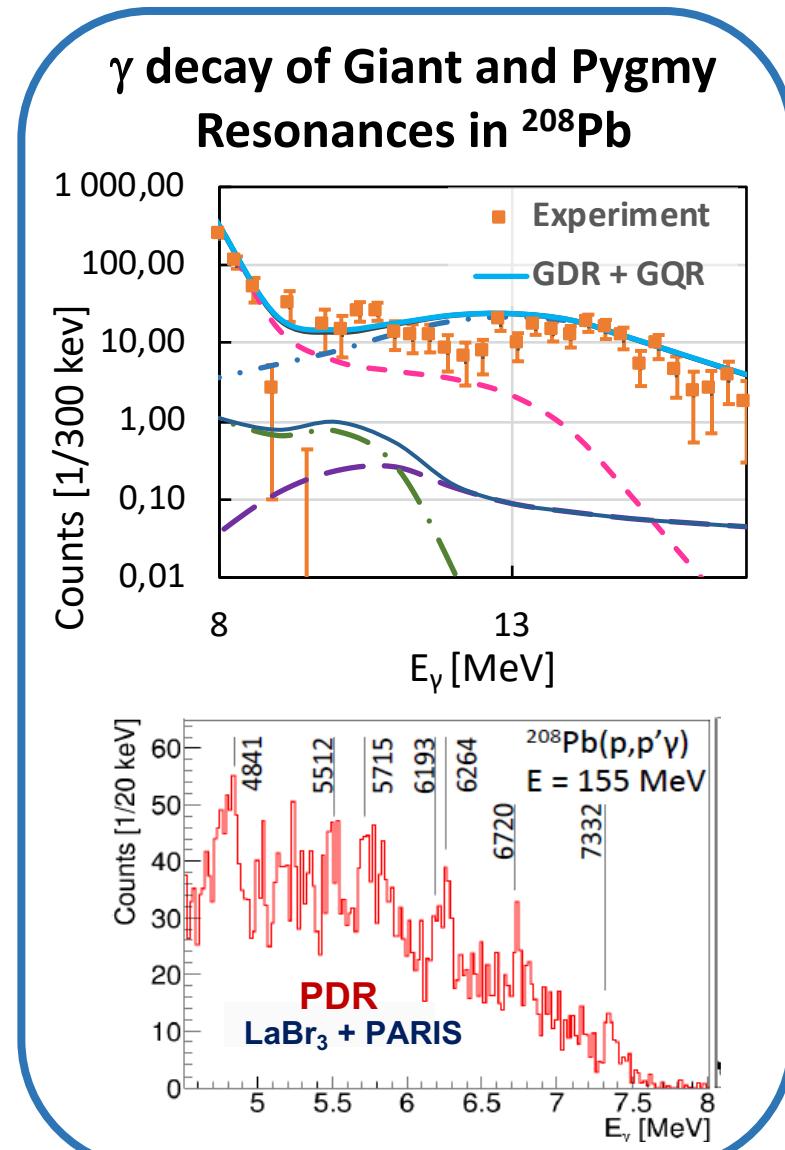


Properties of Giant, Pygmy and M4 Resonances studied with proton beam at CCB IFJ PAN

proton inelastic scattering



Collaboration: Univ. and INFN Milano,
KVI Groningen, GANIL, UW, SLCJ,
IFIN-HH and NIPNE Bucharest,
IPHC Strasburg, ATOMKI Debrecen,
RCNP Osaka, IJCLab Orsay

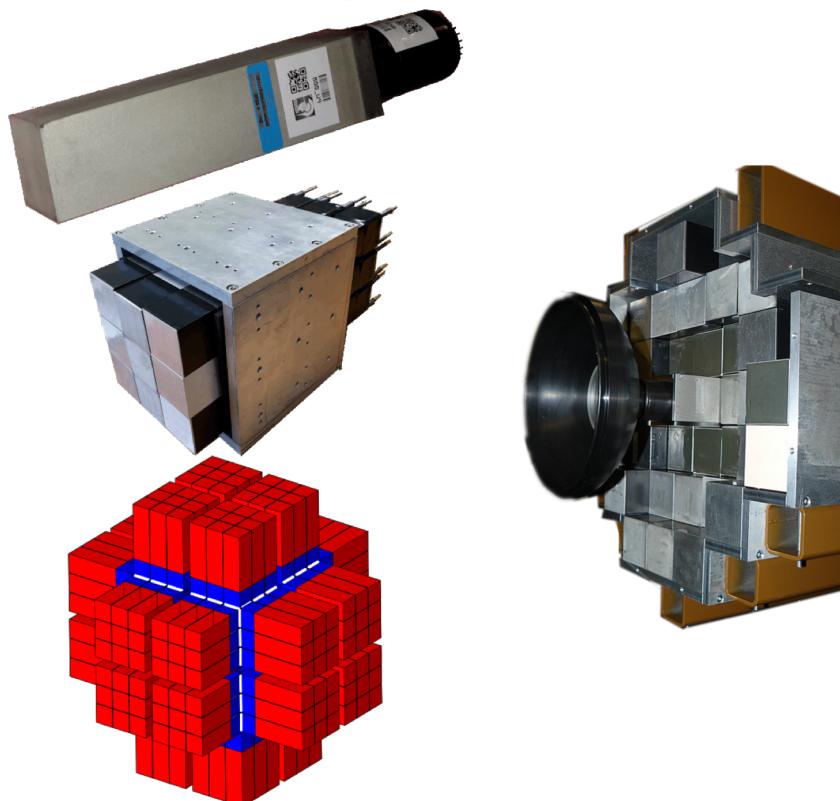




Construction of the Photon Array for studies with Radioactive Ion and Stable beams (PARIS)

PARIS is an international research project, lead by IFJ PAN, with the aim of developing and building a **novel 4π gamma-ray calorimeter** benefiting from recent advances in scintillator technology.

It is composed of two shells: the most advanced scintillator technology (LaBr_3 or CeBr_3) for the inner volume — offering simultaneously high efficiency and relatively good energy resolution in a large energy range (up to 40 MeV); and more conventional scintillation techniques (NaI) for the outer shell.



The array will be used in experiments with both intense stable and radioactive ion beams, to study the **structure of atomic nuclei and new nuclear excitation modes as a function of angular momentum, isospin, and temperature**.

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Instanbul Technical U.
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GSI



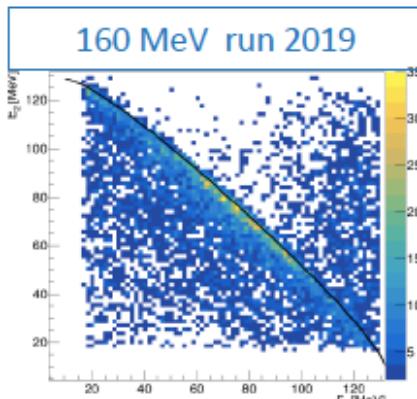
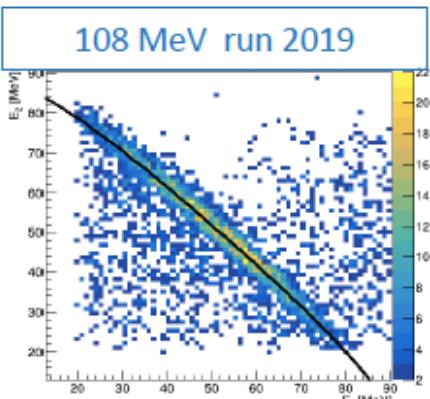
Few-nucleon system dynamics investigated with proton-deuteron collisions

Big Instrument for Nuclear reaction Analysis (BINA) presently installed at CCB IFJ PAN Krakow

3N system studied at CCB: **p+d**

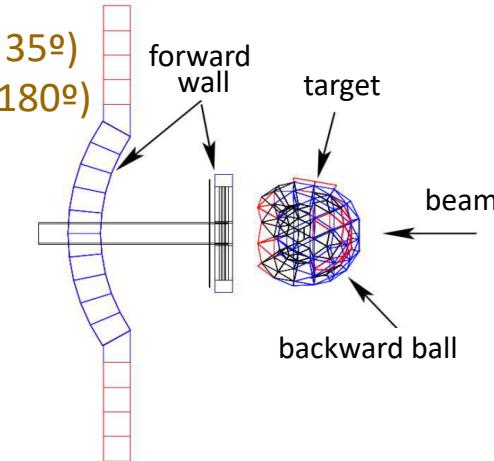
aim: tests of the chiral effective field theory
(three-nucleon forces, electromagnetic
and relativistic effects)

measured: elastic scattering and breakup
reaction differential cross section at
108 and 160 MeV proton beam energy



$^2\text{H}(\text{p},\text{pp})\text{n}$ breakup reaction

$$\theta_{\text{Wall}} = (12^\circ, 35^\circ)$$
$$\theta_{\text{Ball}} = (40^\circ, 180^\circ)$$

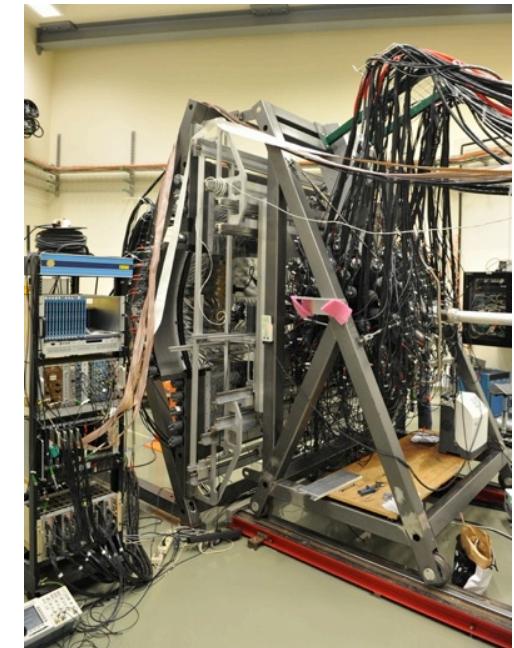


Wall:

- MWPC (3 planes)
- ΔE (24 x 2 mm)
- E (20 x 120 mm)

Ball:

- Phoswich
(149 x 90/30 mm)



Collaborations: University of Silesia, Jagiellonian University,
Warsaw University, KVI Groningen

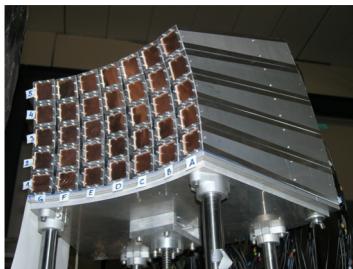


Properties of nuclear matter (equation of state, nuclear interactions) with heavy-ion beams at intermediate energies

KRATTA

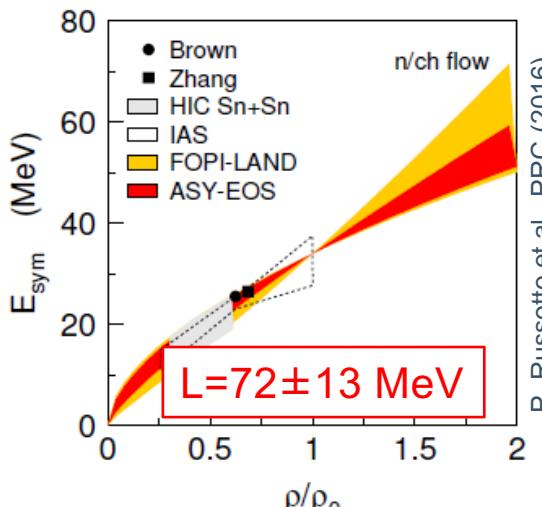
(KRAków Triple Telescope Array)

- a versatile triple telescope array
for charged reaction products



MNiSW/NCN: DPN/N108/GSI/2009

ASY-EOS @ GSI 2011
KRATTA @ CCB 2016-2020



ASY-EOS: Symmetry Energy at high densities extracted from neutron / charged particle elliptic flow ratio

KATANA

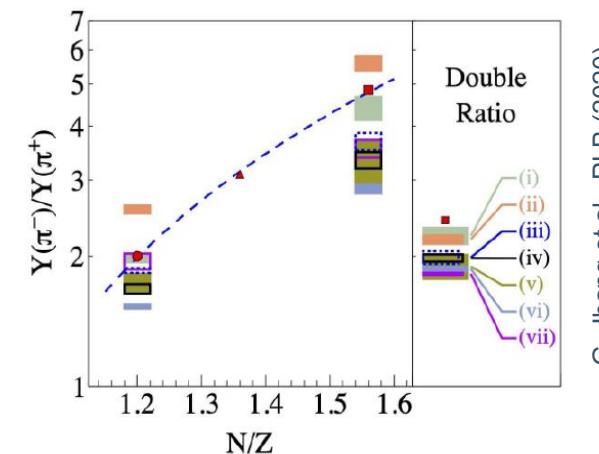
(Kraków Array for Triggering with Amplitude discrimiNAtion)

- a charge-sensitive trigger/veto array for the S π RIT TPC



NCN: 2013/09/B/ST2/04064, 2013/10/M/ST2/00624

SPiRiT @ RIKEN 2016



SPiRiT: Constraints on Symmetry Energy from charged pion yield ratios as a function of N/Z

KRAB

(KRAków Barrel)

for multiplicity and precise measurement of azimuthal distributions of charged particles

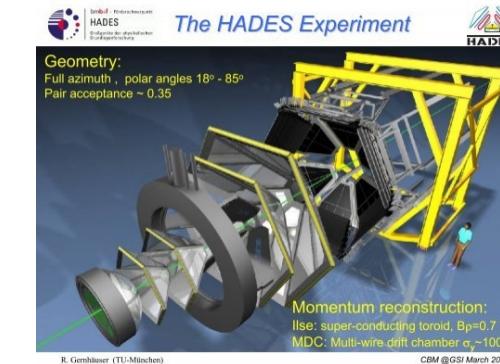


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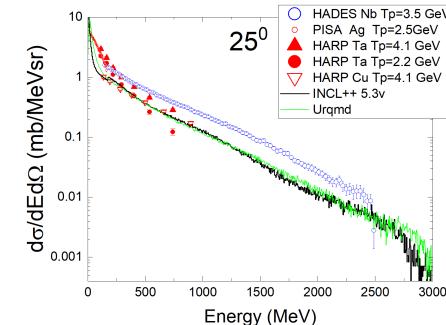
ASY-EOS II @ FAIR 202?

J. Łukasik arXiv:1810.01844 [nucl-ex]

Interactions in nuclear matter - experiment HADES



Proton production in $p+Nb$ at 3.5 GeV





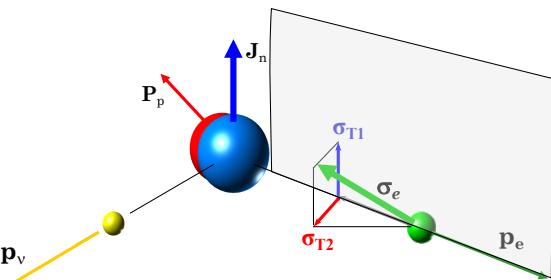
Fundamental symmetry tests with neutrons

BRAND

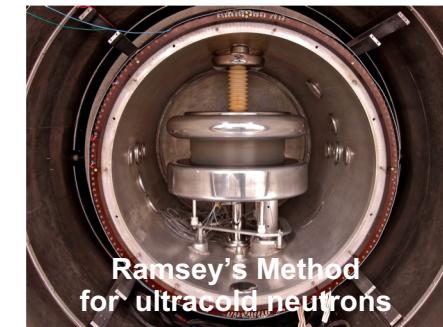
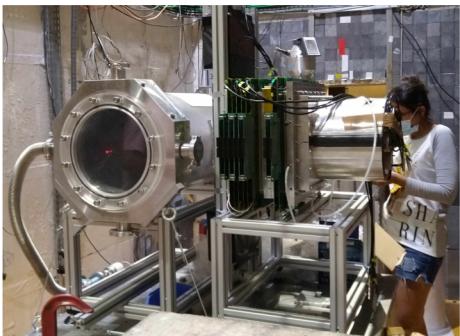
- a measurement of the momentum and transverse polarization of the electron and the proton momentum in the neutron decay.

Accessing 11 directional correlation coefficients, including 5 for the first time, with an accuracy of 10^{-4} .

The first run is ongoing at ILL, Grenoble

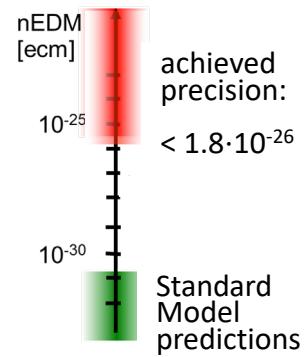
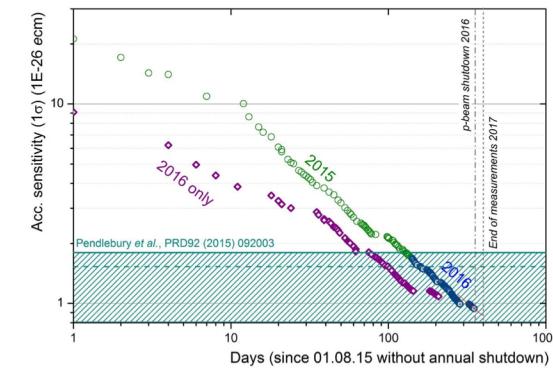


The first run is ongoing at the Laue-Langevin Institute (ILL) in Grenoble, France



nEDM

- currently the most accurate measurement of the electric dipole moment of a neutron in a single experiment at PSI, Villigen (Switzerland)



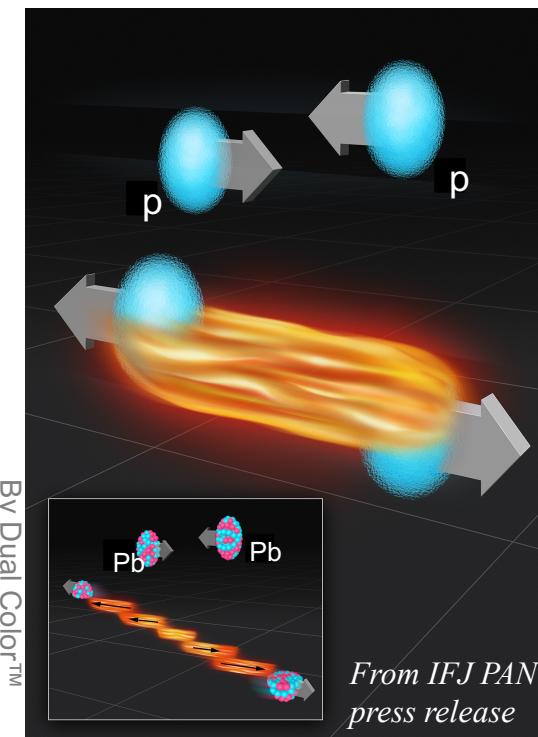
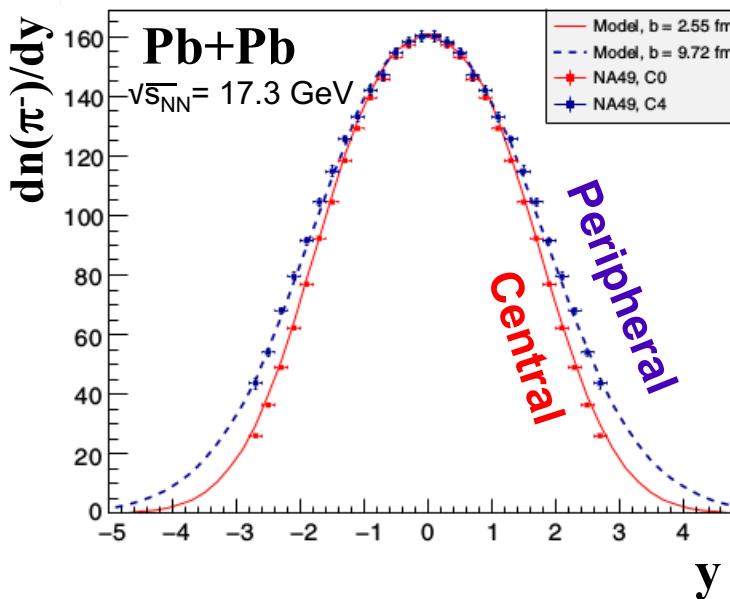
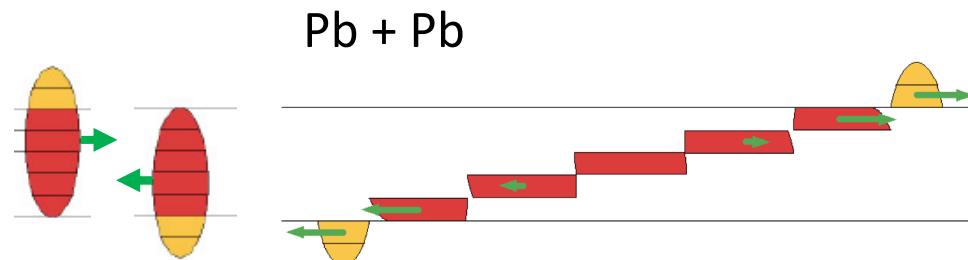
C. Abel et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 081803 (2020).

Collaboration with Jagiellonian University

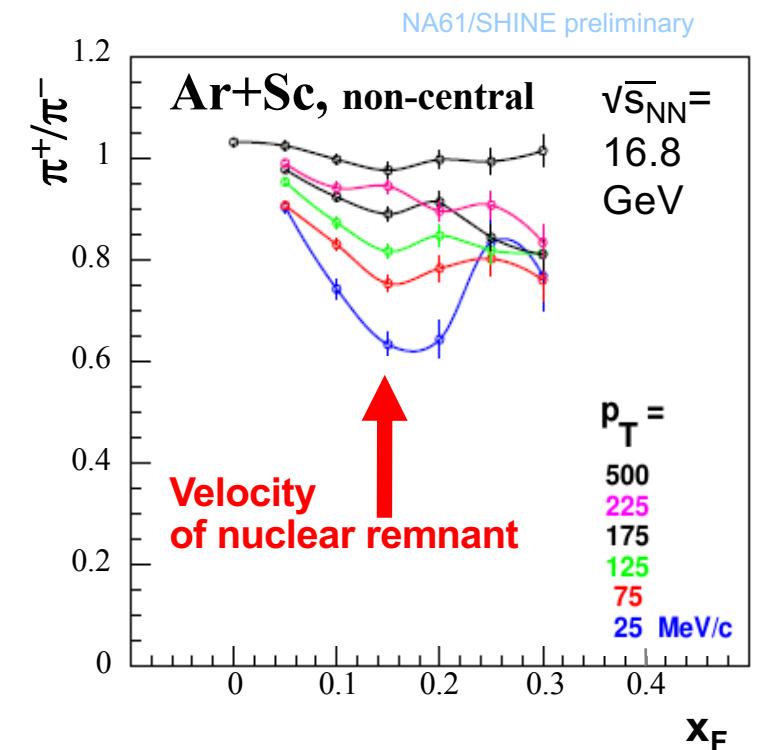


The NA61/SHINE experiment at the SPS accelerator at CERN - study of electromagnetic effects in collisions of atomic nuclei at SPS energies

The electromagnetic effects of repulsion and attraction of π^+ and π^- mesons measured by NA61/SHINE allowed the IFJ PAN group to determine that the system created in the nucleus-nucleus collision consists of several longitudinal streaks, while in the smaller p+p system only one streak may be formed.



The electromagnetic effects of repulsion and attraction of π^+ and π^- mesons, recently observed in collision of light nuclei.



$$x_F = \frac{p_L}{p_L^{\text{beam}}}$$

- M. Kielbowicz, A. Marcinek, Acta Phys. Polon. B50 (2019) 1127
A. Rybicki, A. Szczurek, M. Kielbowicz et al., Phys. Rev. C 99 (2019) 2, 024908
V. Ozvenchuk et al., Phys. Rev. C 102 (2020) 1, 014901

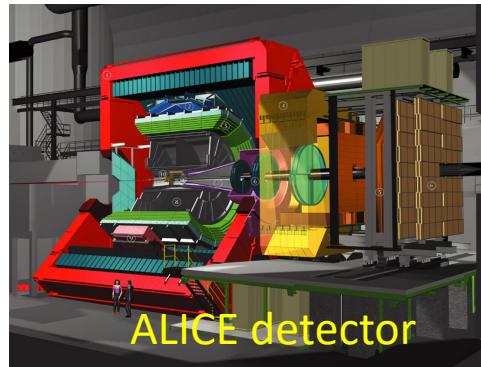
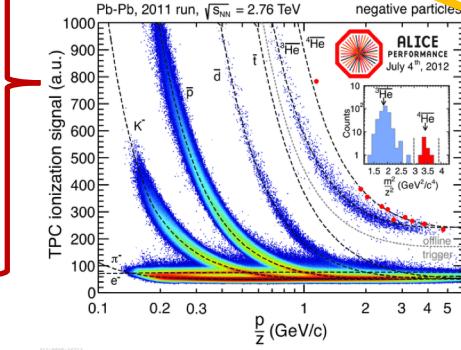
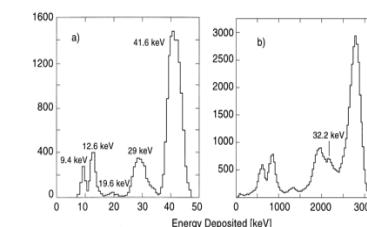
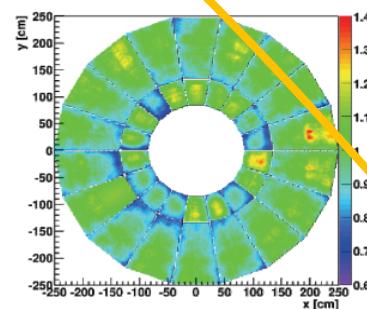


The ALICE experiment at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC@CERN)

ALICE: A Large Ion Collider Experiment – dedicated heavy ion experiment at CERN LHC

IFJ PAN activity:

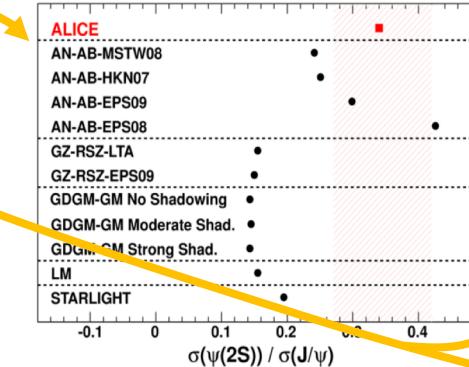
- Detector upgrade
- Simulation and calibration of the TPC
- Design and simulation of the AD and FIT detectors
- Studies of ultraperipheral collisions (Krakow specialty)
- Studies of forward-backward correlations



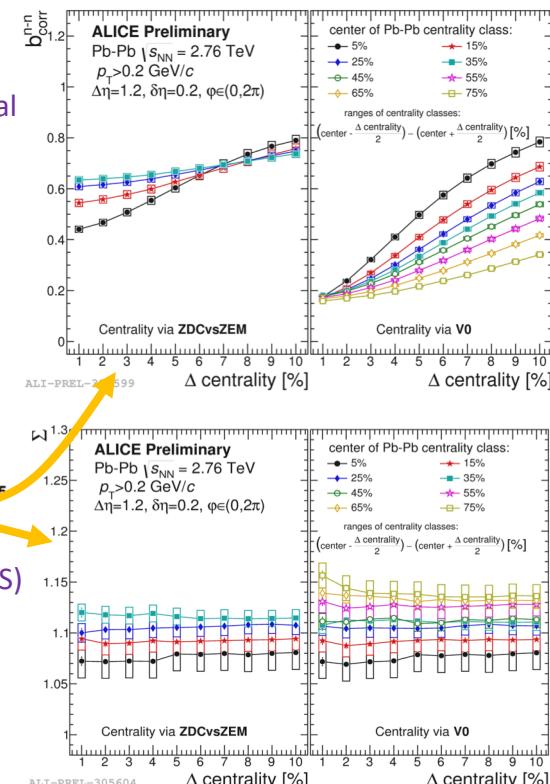
ALICE detector



Production of $\Psi(2S)$ in ultraperipheral collisions Pb+Pb

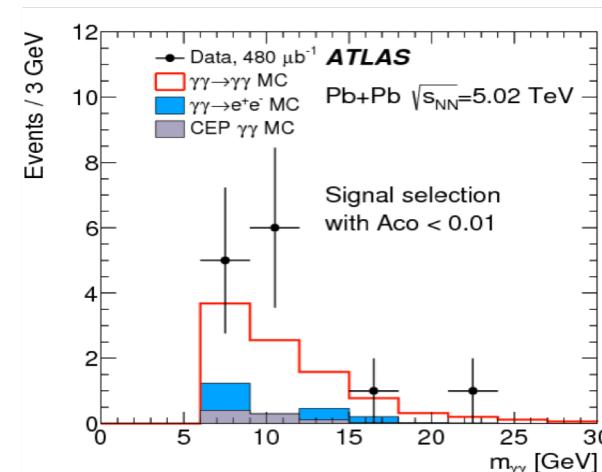
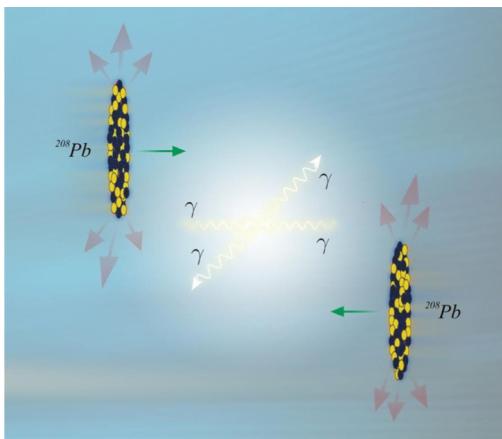


The nuclear environment acts
differently on the production of $\Psi(2S)$
comparing to J/Ψ (1S)



Photon induced processes, and real and virtual photon emission in ultraperipheral, ultrarelativistic heavy-ion collisions

Light-by-light scattering studied with Pb+Pb collisions



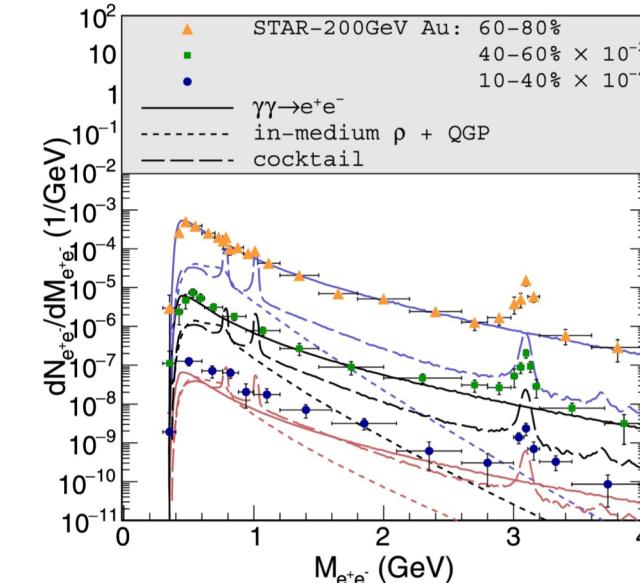
Diphoton invariant mass for Pb-Pb UPC. Data (points) are compared to [theory predictions](#) (histograms).

Theoretical results on L-by-L scattering obtained at the IFJ PAN* inspired the first measurement which was performed at ATLAS@LHC**.

* M. Kłusek-Gawenda, P. Lebiedowicz & A. Szczyrek, Phys. Rev. C93 (2016) 044907

**ATLAS Collaboration, Nature Phys. 13 (2017) 852

Dilepton production in Au+ Au collisions



Dielectron invariant-mass spectra in Au+Au collisions for 3 centrality classes including experimental acceptance cuts for $\gamma\gamma$ fusion* (solid lines), thermal radiation (dotted lines) and the hadronic cocktail (dashed lines). Comparison to STAR data.

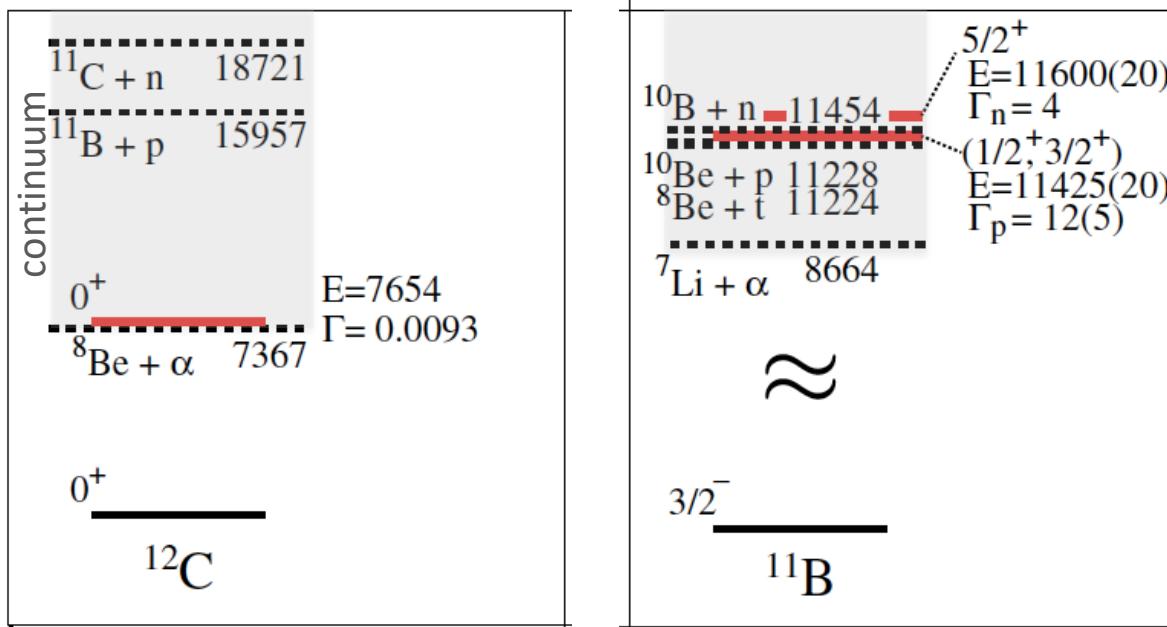
*M. Kłusek-Gawenda, R. Rapp, W. Schaefer & A. Szczyrek, Phys. Lett. B790 (2019) 339

First verification that the photon fusion is the missing process to a correct description of the low-PT invariant-mass as well as PT (pair transverse momenta) spectra for different centrality classes.



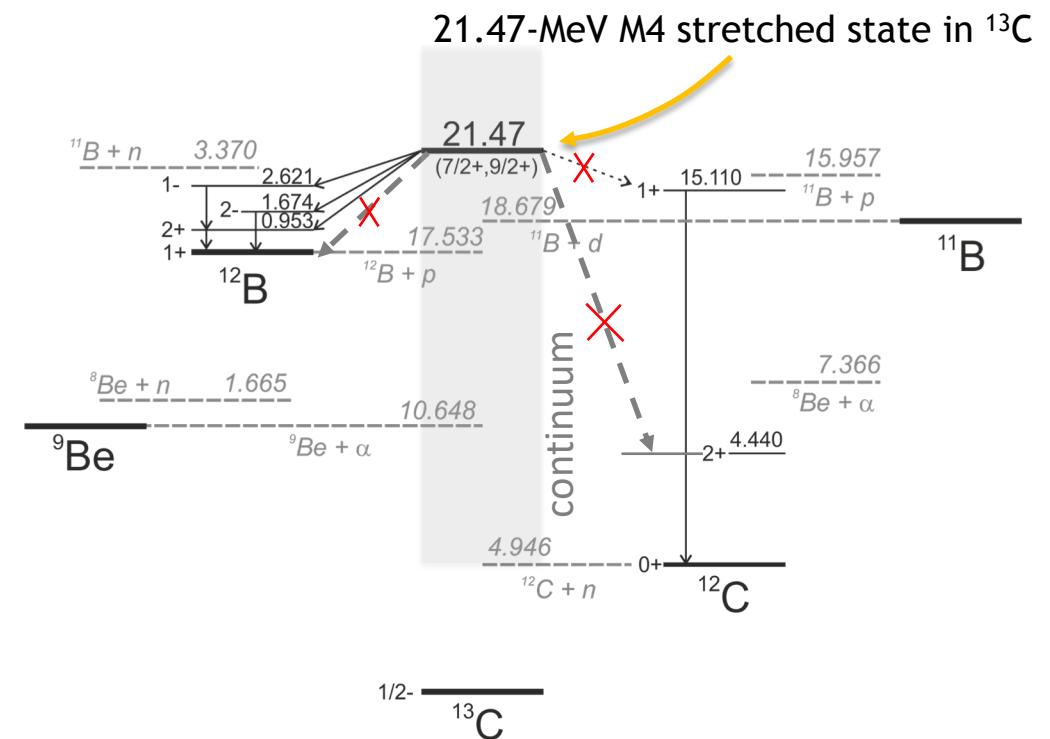
Shell-Model in the Continuum (Gamow SM and SMEC)

Near-threshold collectivization and clusterization within
the shell model embedded in the continuum (SMEC)
- the effect
of internal configuration mixing by interactions
and external configuration mixing via decay channels.



Near-threshold collectivization may have a noticeable effect on electromagnetic transitions and nuclear moments and, in particular, may modify the γ -decay selection rules for states close to the particle decay thresholds.

Gamow Shell Model predictions for the decay of M4 resonances





Neutron and gamma spectroscopy for nuclear fusion research: IFMIF-DONES and ITER

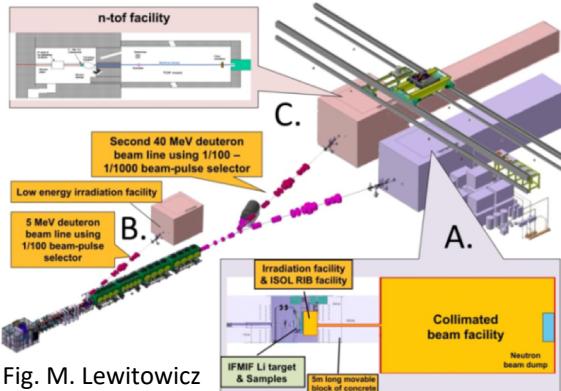
International Fusion Irradiation Facility – DEMO-Oriented Neutron Source

EUROfusion WPENS, DONES Preparatory Phase project

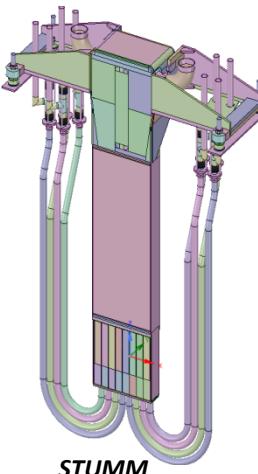


„a dedicated facility for material qualification that reproduces a 14 MeV neutron spectrum from D+T reaction with reasonable irradiation volume and fluence“

- ✓ Conceptual design of the Start-up and Monitoring Module (STUMM) for DONES
- ✓ Modelling of the radiation field in the irradiation cell and surrounding rooms of the DONES laboratory
- ✓ Design of the Facilities for Complementary Experiments



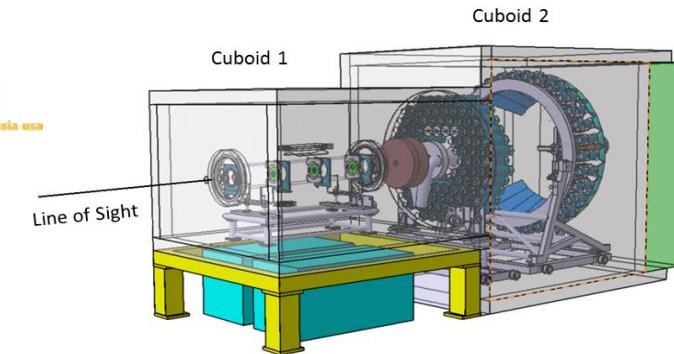
A. Ibarra, W. Królas, et al., Nuclear Fusion 58, 105002 (2018)



STUMM

High Resolution Neutron Spectrometer for ITER

Project Fusion for Energy GRT-403, IFJ PAN and Uppsala University



HRNS will consist of 4 spectrometers to determine the plasma ion ratio n_t/n_d for different ITER operating scenarios:

- ✓ Forward time-of-flight neutron spectrometer
- ✓ Thin foil proton recoil neutron spectrometer
- ✓ Magnetic proton recoil neutron spectrometer
- ✓ Annular proton recoil neutron spectrometer
- ✓ Neutron diamond detectors (sCVD) developed to be used as principal sensors
- ✓ Large sensitivity range: $0.01 < n_t/n_d < 10$

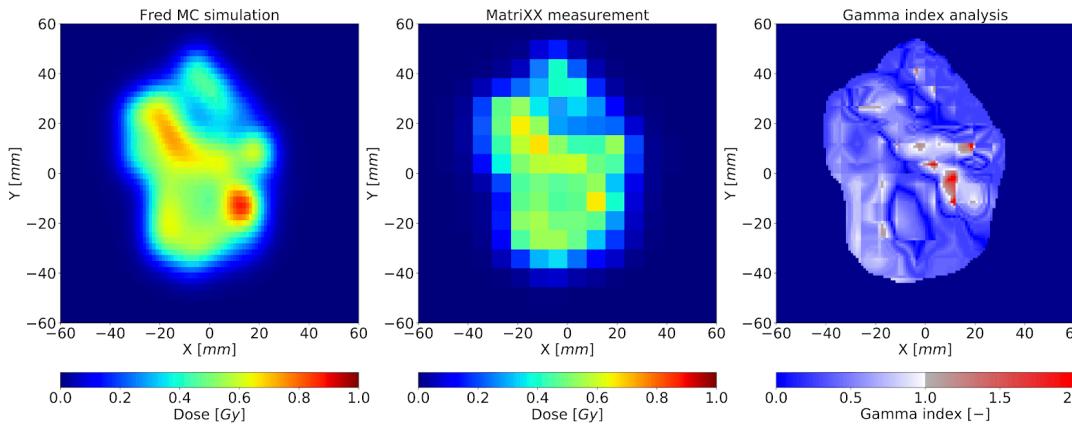
HRNS proposal was accepted by ITER (IO)
as *Conceptual Design* (2019),
work ongoing on the Preliminary Engineering Design

M. Scholz, et al., Nuclear Fusion 59, 065001 (2019)



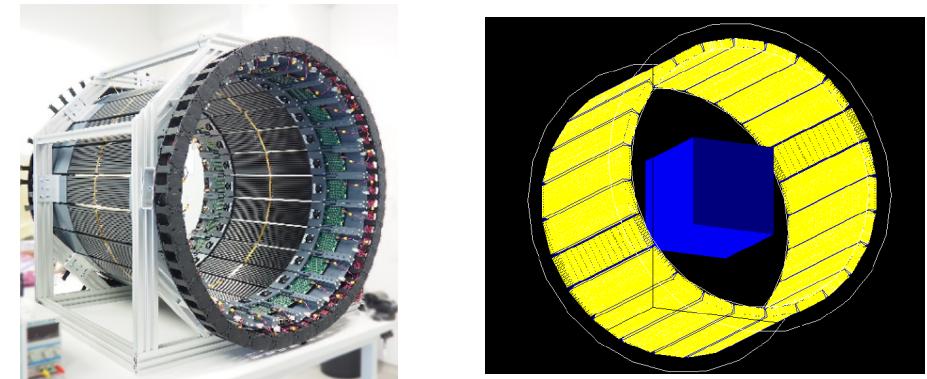
Range and Relative Biological Effectiveness uncertainties in proton therapy

Quantification of biological range uncertainties towards an improved patient treatment in CCB Cracow proton beam therapy centre - project Foundation for Polish Science – POWROTY/2016-2/6 (2016 – 2020)
(coordinator: dr. A. Rucinski)



Fast Monte Carlo proton transport code FRED implemented on graphic cards allows for fast verification of treatment plans for patients at CCB

PET technology for proton beam therapy range monitoring - project LIDER, 0157/L-8/2016, NCBiR, (2017-2020) (coordinator: dr. A. Rucinski)



It was demonstrated that J-PET organic scintillator scanner could be applied for verification of proton range for patients treated using Pencil Scanning Beam technology

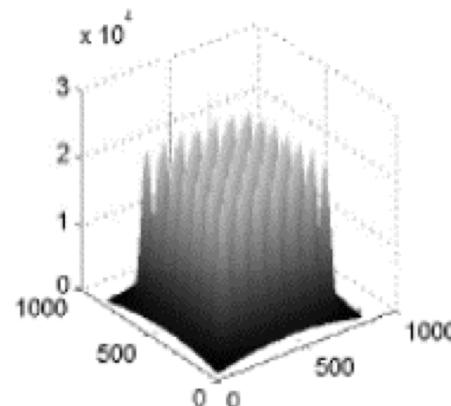
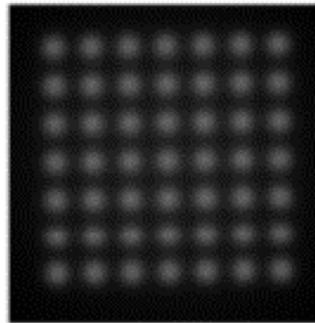


Dosimetry of primary beam and scattered radiation in proton therapy

Infrastructure in Proton International Research - INSPIRE -

project Horizon2020, 730983-2
(2018 – 2021) IFJ PAN
(coordinator: Prof. P.Olko)

Measured intensity of 60 MeV proton minibeam passing 1 mm mesh collimators at AIC-144



In GRID therapy separated proton minibeam (1 mm in diameter) lead to lower skin reaction. The microbeam concept, tested on AIC-144 cyclotron, could be applied e.g. in the proton therapy of eye melanoma at CCB to spare the eye lead.

L. Stolarczyk, et al., Phys. Med. Biol., 63 (2018) 085017.
M. Liszka, Med. Phys., 45 (2018) 391-401.

EURADOS (EUropean RAdiation DOSimetry Group) -
Working Group SG9.2 Dosimetry in Hadron Therapy
(2014 – 2020) (coordinator: Prof. P.Olko)



Extensive measurement of scattered radiation in CCB gantry room demonstrated that the unwanted doses to patients are at least one order of magnitude lower than in classical radiotherapy with MV X-rays

Widowisko z muzyką Józefa Skrzeka oraz narracją filmową Jerzego Grębosza

Miedzy mikroświatem atomów a ogromem Wszechświata

Na styku dwóch nieskończoności

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