



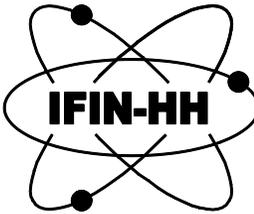
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Extreme Light Infrastructure-Nuclear Physics (ELI-NP) - Phase II



The ELI-NP nuclear photonics program: A new source for nuclear structure data

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Berkeley, May 22nd-26th, 2017*

June 7th, 2013



Extreme Light Infrastructure – Nuclear Physics (ELI-NP)



**Mission: Nuclear Physics studies with
high-intensity lasers and brilliant γ beams**



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- **Nuclear Physics experiments to characterize laser – target interaction**

- **Photonuclear Physics**

- **Exotic Nuclear Physics and astrophysics**

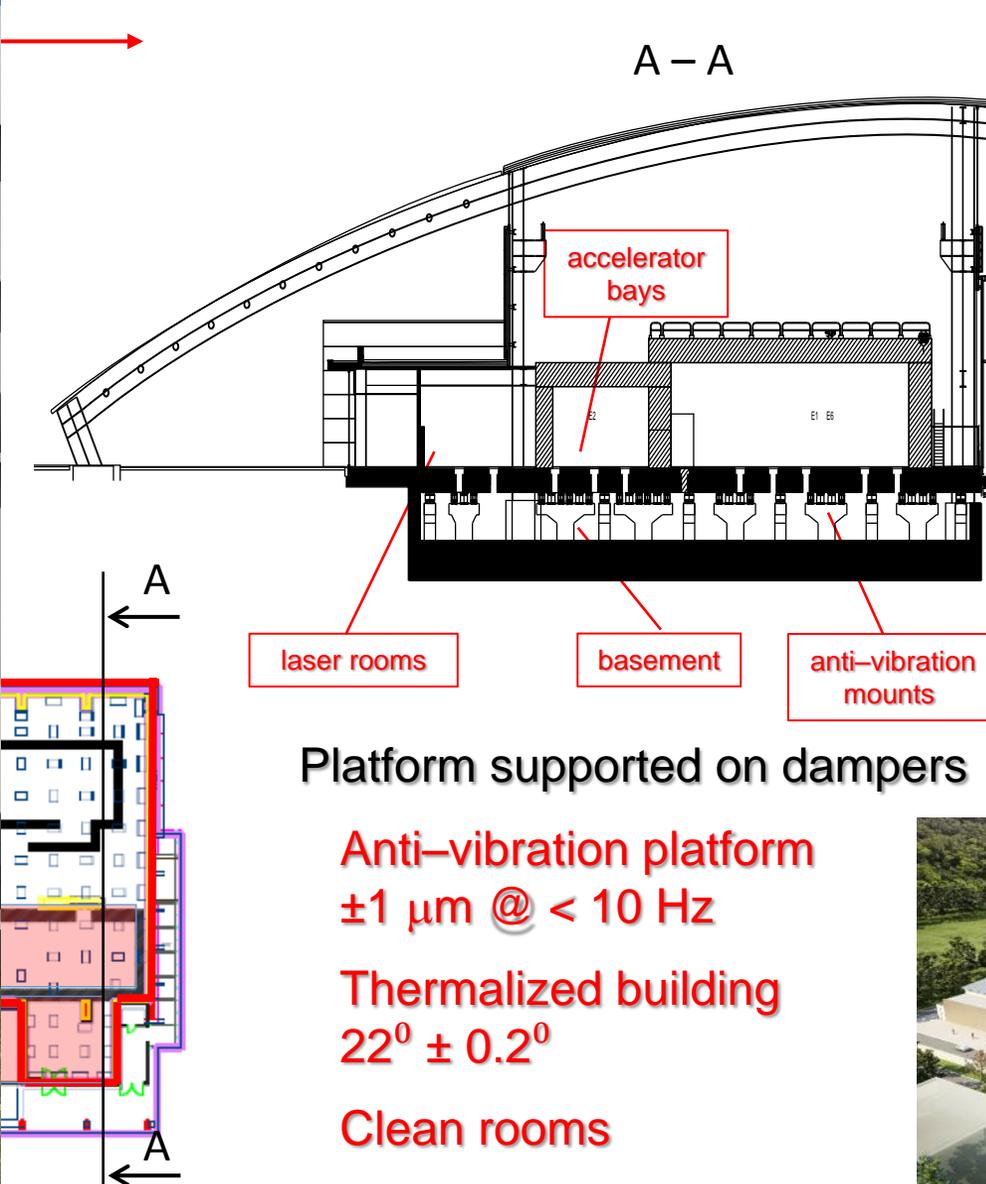
complementary to other ESFRI Large Scale Physics Facilities (FAIR- Germany, SPIRAL2- France)

- **Applications based on high intensity laser and very brilliant γ beams**

ELI-NP in ‘Nuclear Physics Long Range Plan in Europe’
as a major facility

NP laboratory building

140 m



civil construction was commissioned in September 2016

Platform supported on dampers

Anti-vibration platform
 $\pm 1 \mu\text{m} @ < 10 \text{ Hz}$

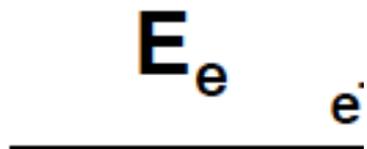
Thermalized building
 $22^{\circ} \pm 0.2^{\circ}$

Clean rooms

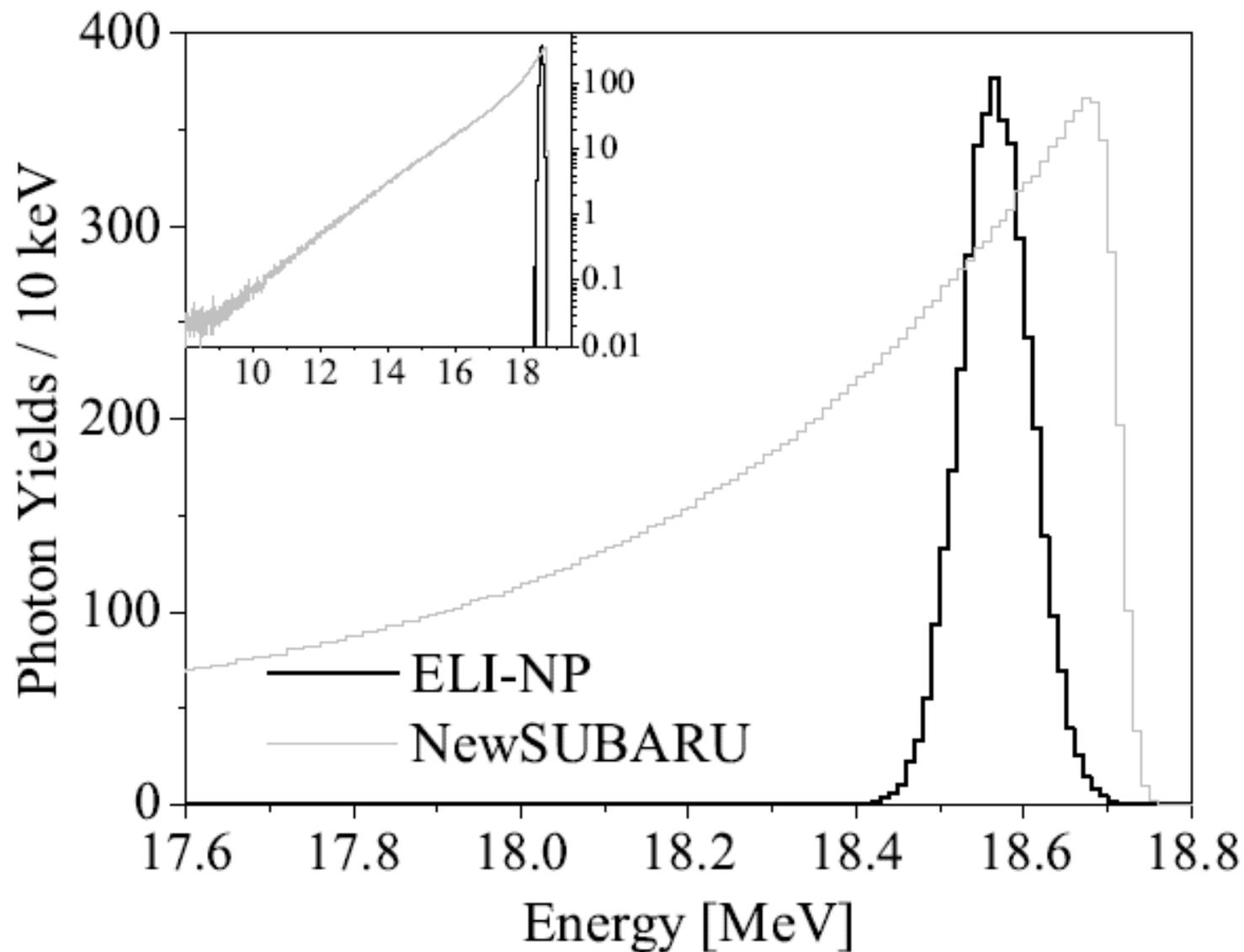


ELI-NP Gamma Beam System (GBS)

$$E_\gamma = 2\gamma_e^2 \cdot \frac{E_e}{1 + \gamma_e^2 \theta^2}$$



Narrow beam



Gamma Beam System

low-energy accelerator section:
0.2-3.5 MeV
factory acceptance in Dec. 2015

high-energy accelerator section:
3.0-19.5 MeV



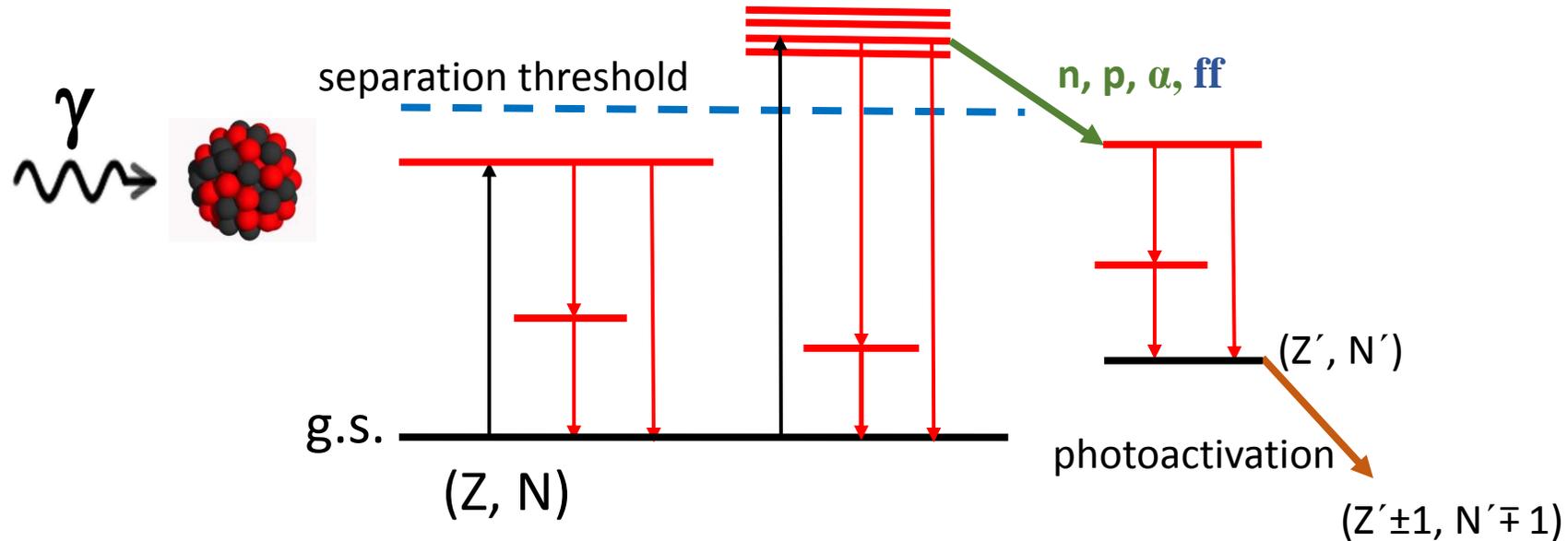
SOLENOID B
Module 2
Factory Acceptance Test



Alignment test at Danfysik have been performed, that will be demonstrated on 3rd March, when LNF & STFC Daresbury staff visit



S. Gales et al., Phys. Scr. 91, 093004 (2016)



Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence (NRF) – Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S483 (2016)

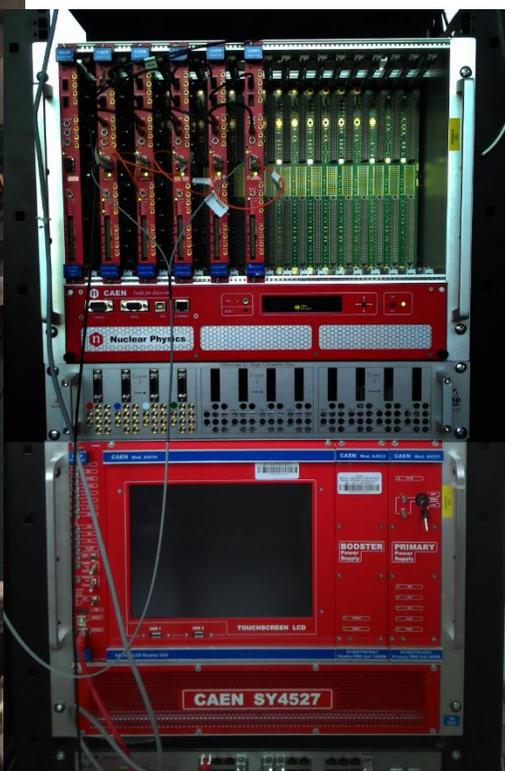
Giant/Pigmy Resonances (GANT) – Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S539 (2016)

Photodisintegration (γ, n) , (γ, p) , (γ, α) – Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S699 (2016)

Photofission (γ, ff) – Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S621 (2016)

Applications – Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S735 (2016), *ibid* 68, S799 (2016), *ibid* 68, S847 (2016)

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stage
under discussion



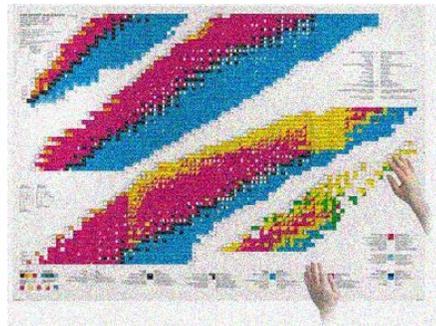
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ELI-NP NRF physics cases

- Self-absorption measurements (Γ_0/Γ_i)
- Low-energy dipole response (e.g. Actinides)
- Dipole response and parity measurements for weakly-bound nuclei
- Investigation of the Pigmy Dipole Resonance
- Rotational 2^+ states of the scissor mode
- Constraints on the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay matrix elements of the scissors mode decay channel: ^{150}Sm

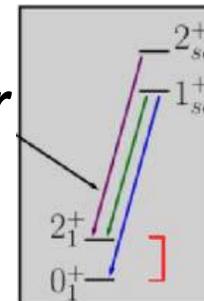
Availability frontier

p -nuclei and actinides



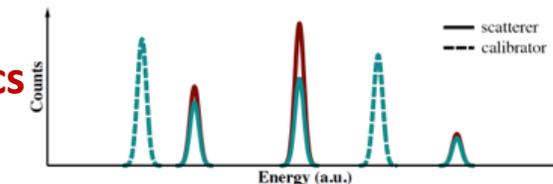
Sensitivity frontier

weak channels



Precision frontier

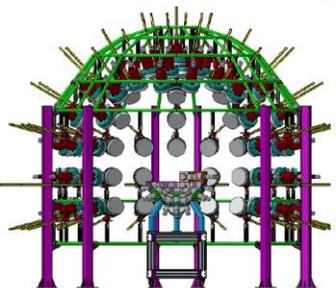
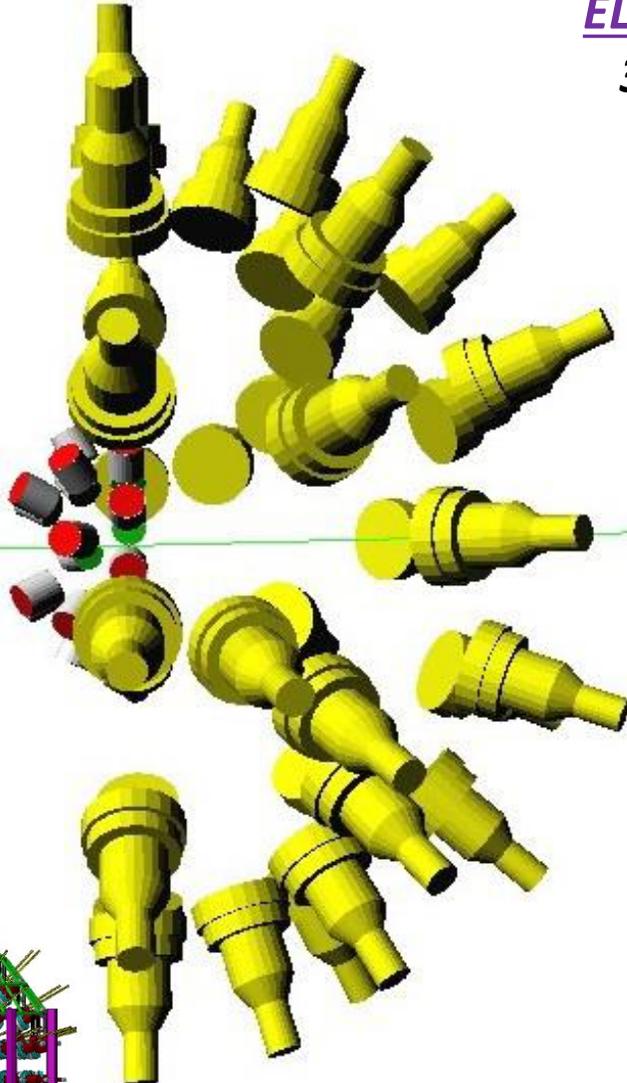
high statistics



GANT experiment at ELI-NP

ELIGANT-GN array

30 LaBr_3 or CeBr_3
20 ^7Li glasses
30 Lq. Scint.

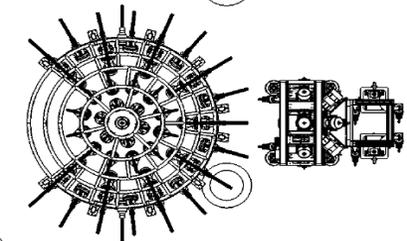


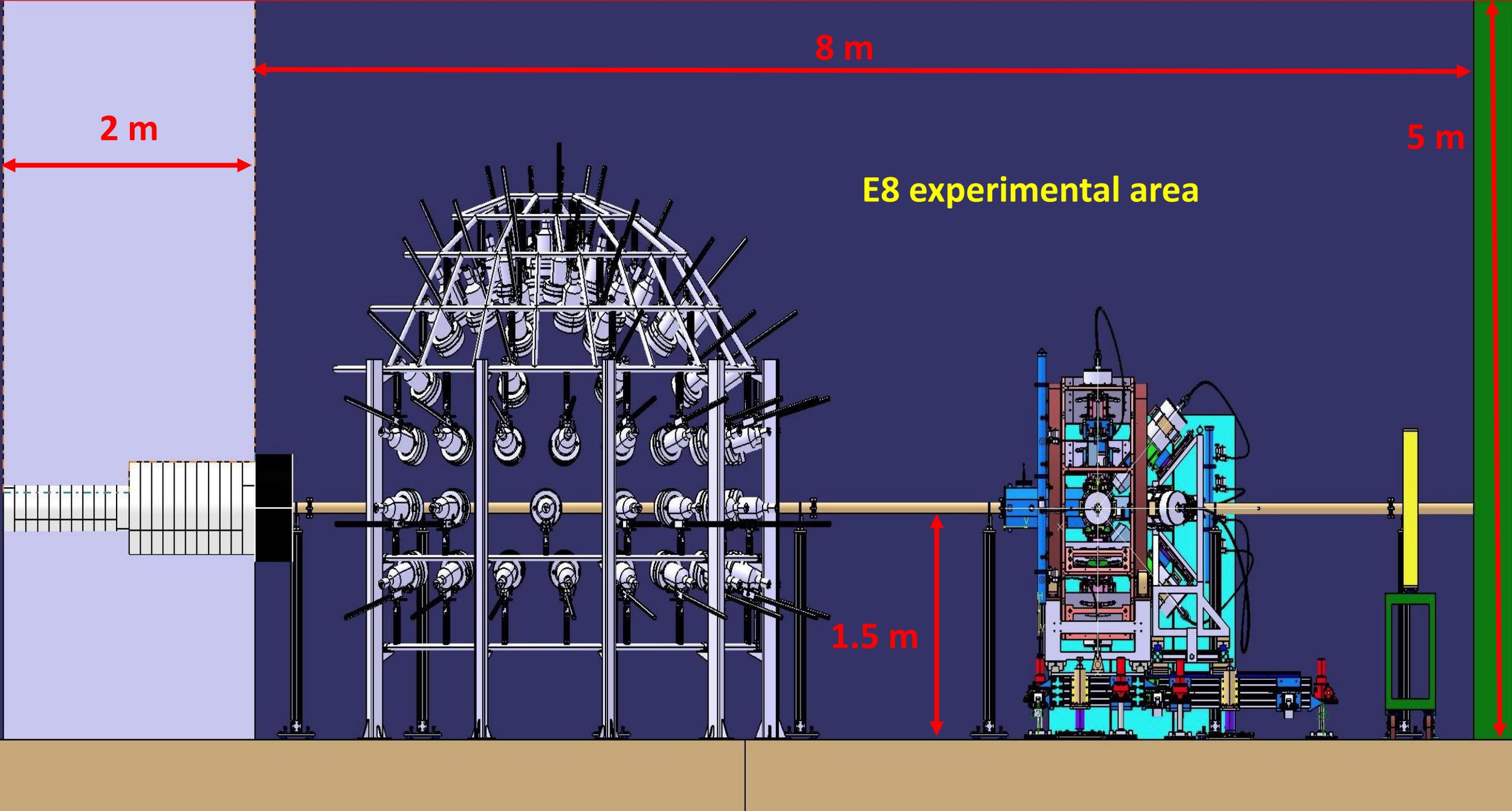
Day ONE:

studies of GDR and PDR decay (^{90}Zr , ^{208}Pb)

- combine with information from (γ, n) experiments
- combine with information from (γ, γ') experiments (*e.g.* polarization)
- γ -decay to gs and excited states as a function of excitation energy

ELIGANT-GN ○ ELIADE





Neutron stars, equation of state and dipole polarizability @ELI-NP

- Neutron stars (NS) properties depend sensitively on the equation of state (EOS) of nuclear matter
- EOS can affect many NS properties: mass-radius relationship, moment of inertia, cooling rates, Urca process, ...
- It has been suggested that the slope (L) of the symmetry energy term of the EOS is closely related to the dipole polarizability α_D through the neutron skin thickness [1,2,3]

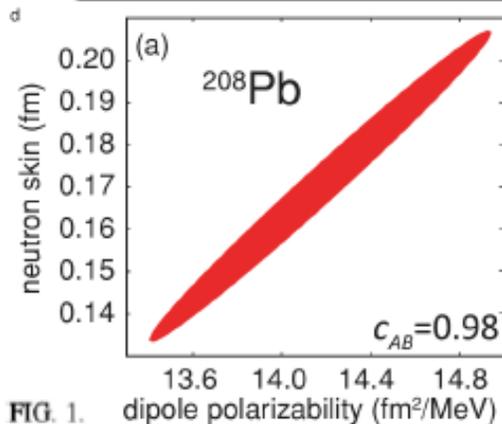


FIG. 1. PHYSICAL REVIEW C **81**, 051303(R) (2010)

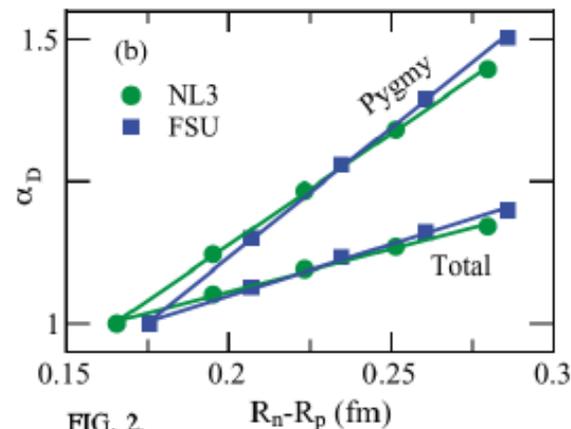


FIG. 2. PHYSICAL REVIEW C **83**, 034319 (2011)

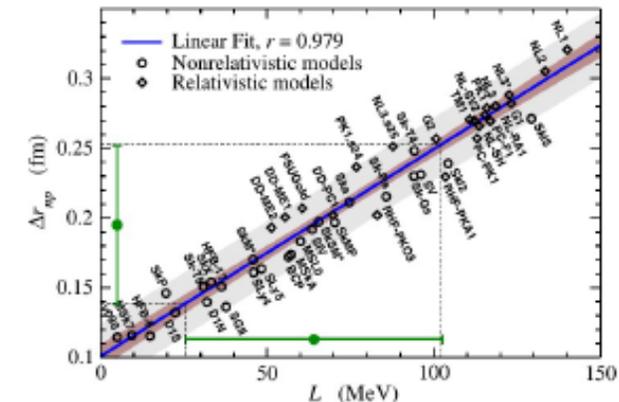


FIG. 3 (color online). Neutron skin of ^{208}Pb against slope of the symmetry energy. The linear fit is $\Delta r_{np} = 0.101 + 0.00147L$.

PRL **106**, 252501 (2011)

ELI-NP: experimental photo-nuclear reaction facility

- The dipole polarizability is obtained from the photo-absorption cross section

$$\alpha_D = \frac{\hbar c}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sigma_{\text{abs}}}{\omega} d\omega = \frac{8\pi}{9} \int_0^\infty \frac{dB(E1)}{\omega}$$

- Strongly dependent on the low-energy strength, e.g. Pygmy resonance (see also FIG. 2)
- ELI-NP will provide (accurate and unambiguous) measures of E1 strength below and above the neutron-threshold
- Model independent results: pure electromagnetic excitation process

RCNP Osaka vs. ELI-NP experiments

RCNP

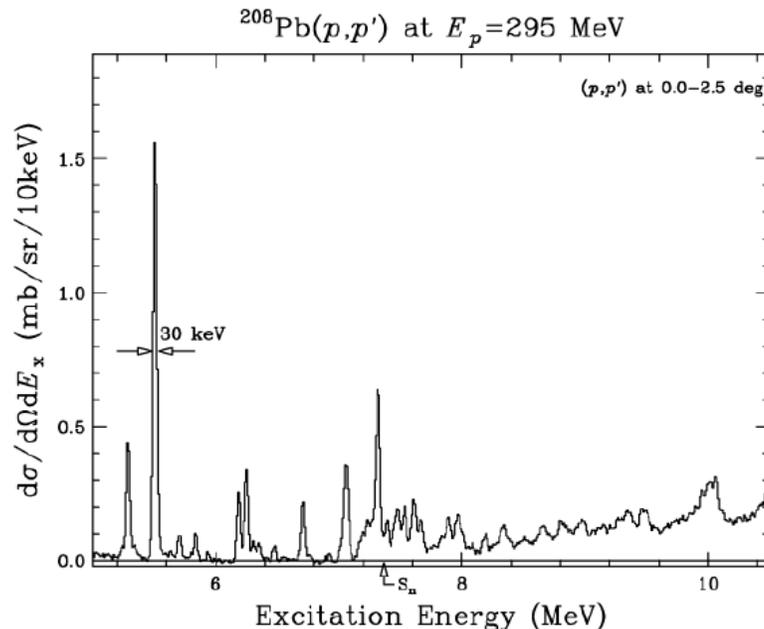
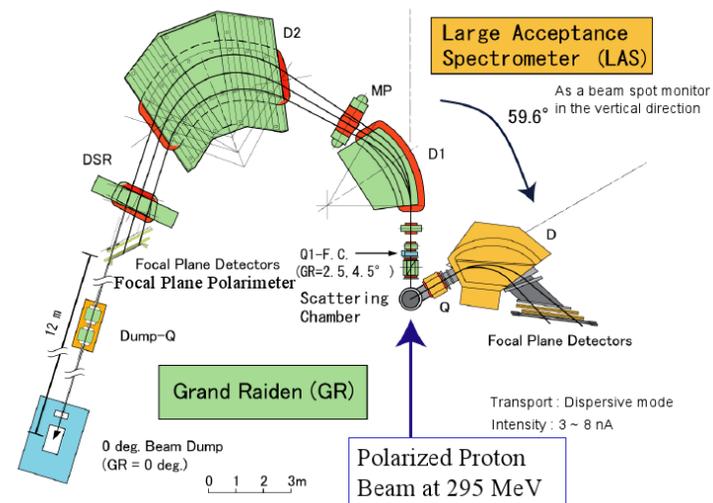
High-resolution (p,p') measurement at 0° and forward angles
 A. Tamii, NIM A605, 326 (2009)

ELI-NP

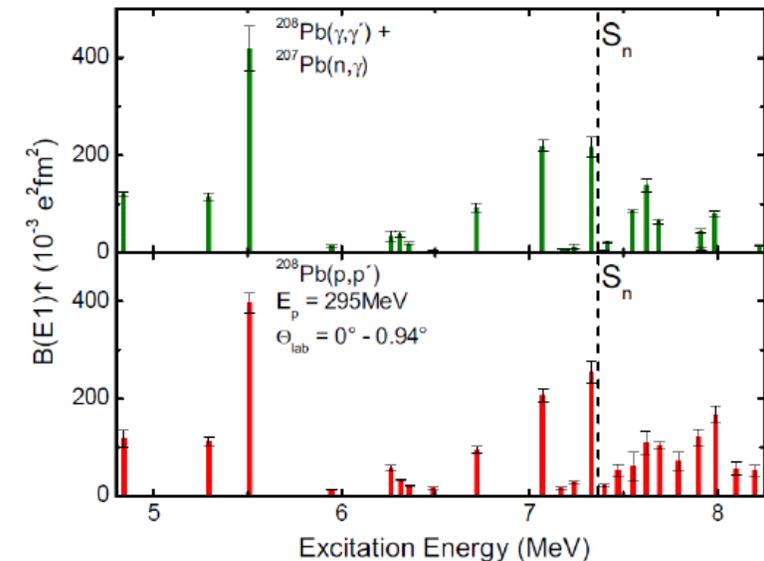
High-resolution (γ,γ') + (γ,n) measurement

experiment: polarized (>99%) γ beam
 simultaneous (γ,γ') + (γ,n) measurement

Spectrometers in the 0-deg. experiment setup



B(E1) of discrete states



$$\alpha_D \equiv \frac{\sigma_{-2}}{2\pi^2} \cdot \frac{hc}{e^2} = \sum \frac{\sigma_{\text{abs}}(E_x)}{E_x^2} \cdot \frac{hc}{2\pi^2 e^2} = 20.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ fm}^3/e^2$$

A. Tamii, PRL 107, 062502 (2011)

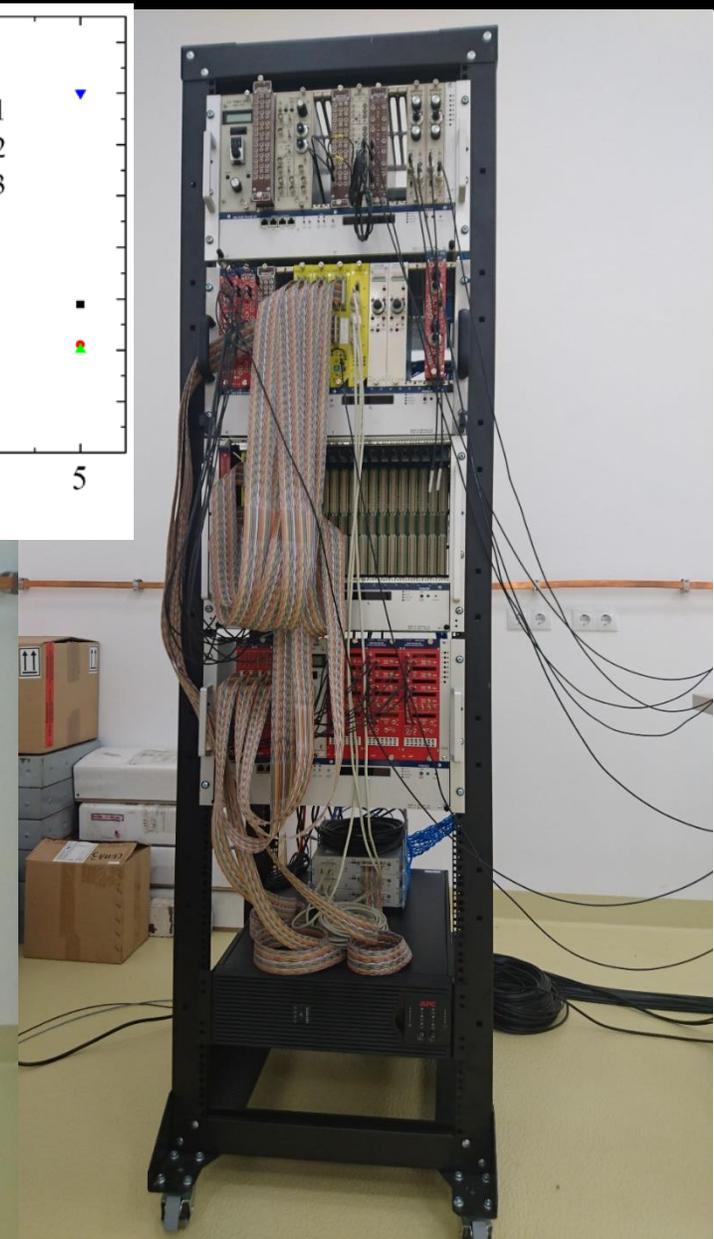
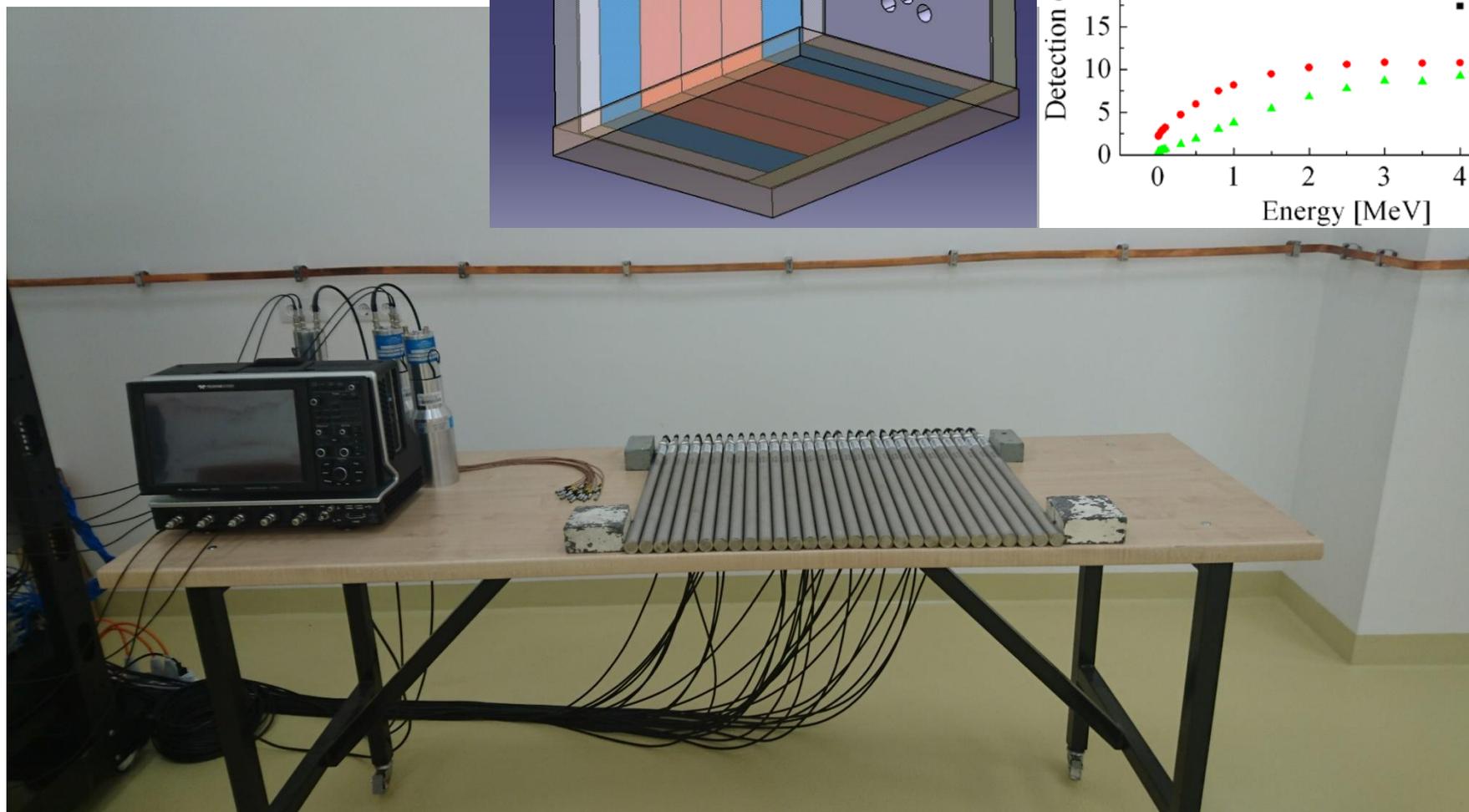
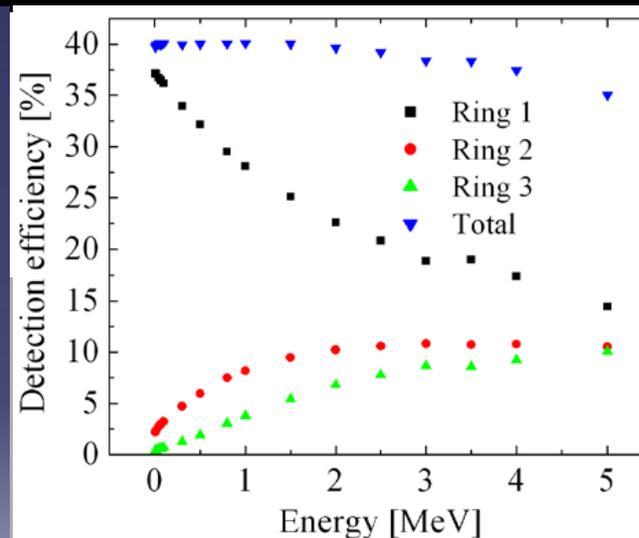
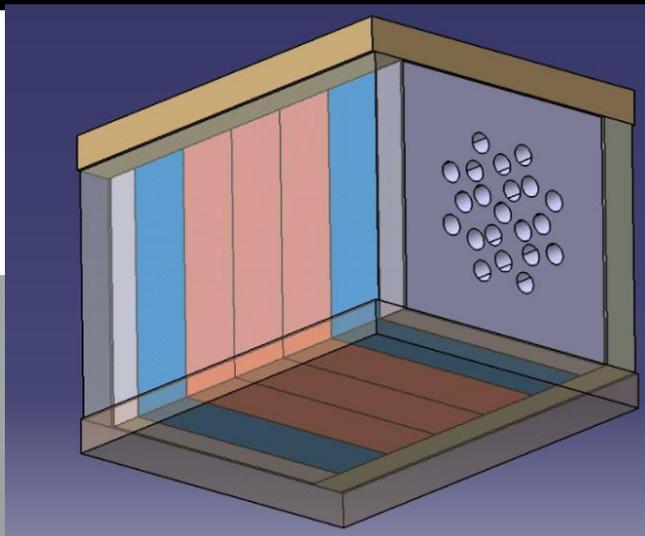
B(E1) strength distribution in ²⁰⁸Pb below the GDR region

(γ, n) cross-section experiment at ELI-NP

ELIGANT-THN array

30 ^3He counters

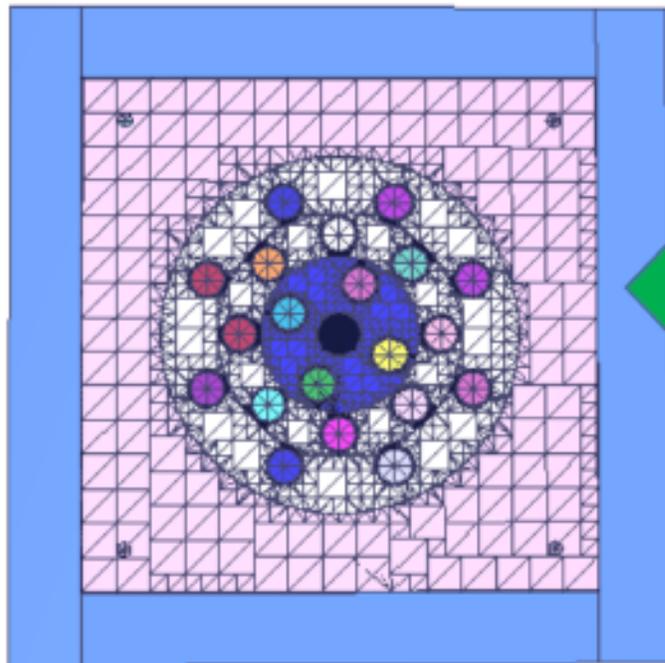
40% detector efficiency



P-PROCESS NUCLEOSYNTHESIS FOR ^{180}Ta AND MEASUREMENTS OF THE PHOTO-NEUTRON CROSS SECTION

^{180}Ta characteristics

- Lowest natural abundancy (0.012%)
- Short-lived ($T_{1/2} = 8.15\text{h}$) $J^\pi = 1^+$ ground state ($^{180}\text{Ta}^g$)
- Very long-lived ($T_{1/2} > 10^{15}\text{ yr}$) $J^\pi = 9^-$ isomeric state ($^{180}\text{Ta}^m$)
- $^{181}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{180}\text{Ta}$ and $^{180}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{179}\text{Ta}$ photo-disintegration reactions

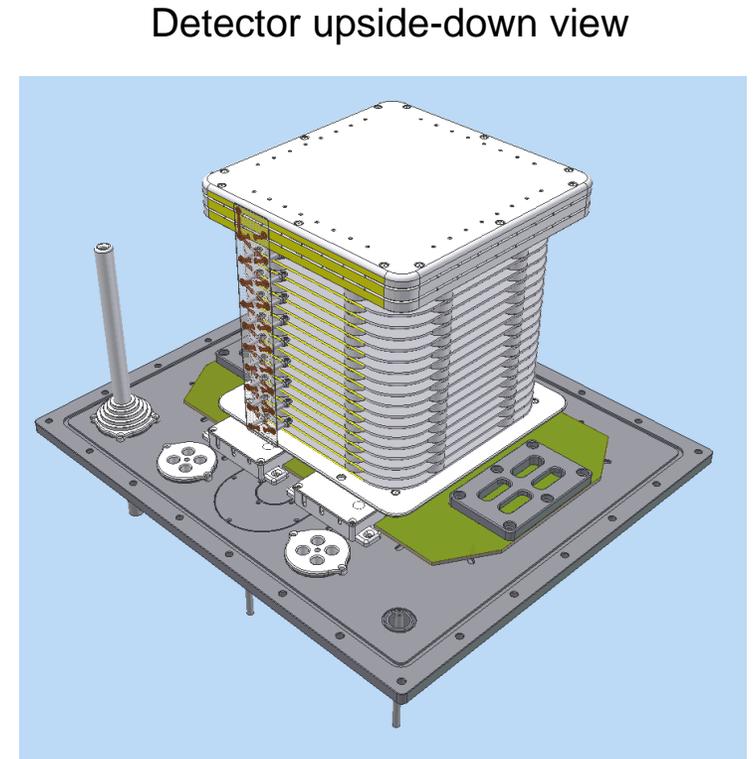
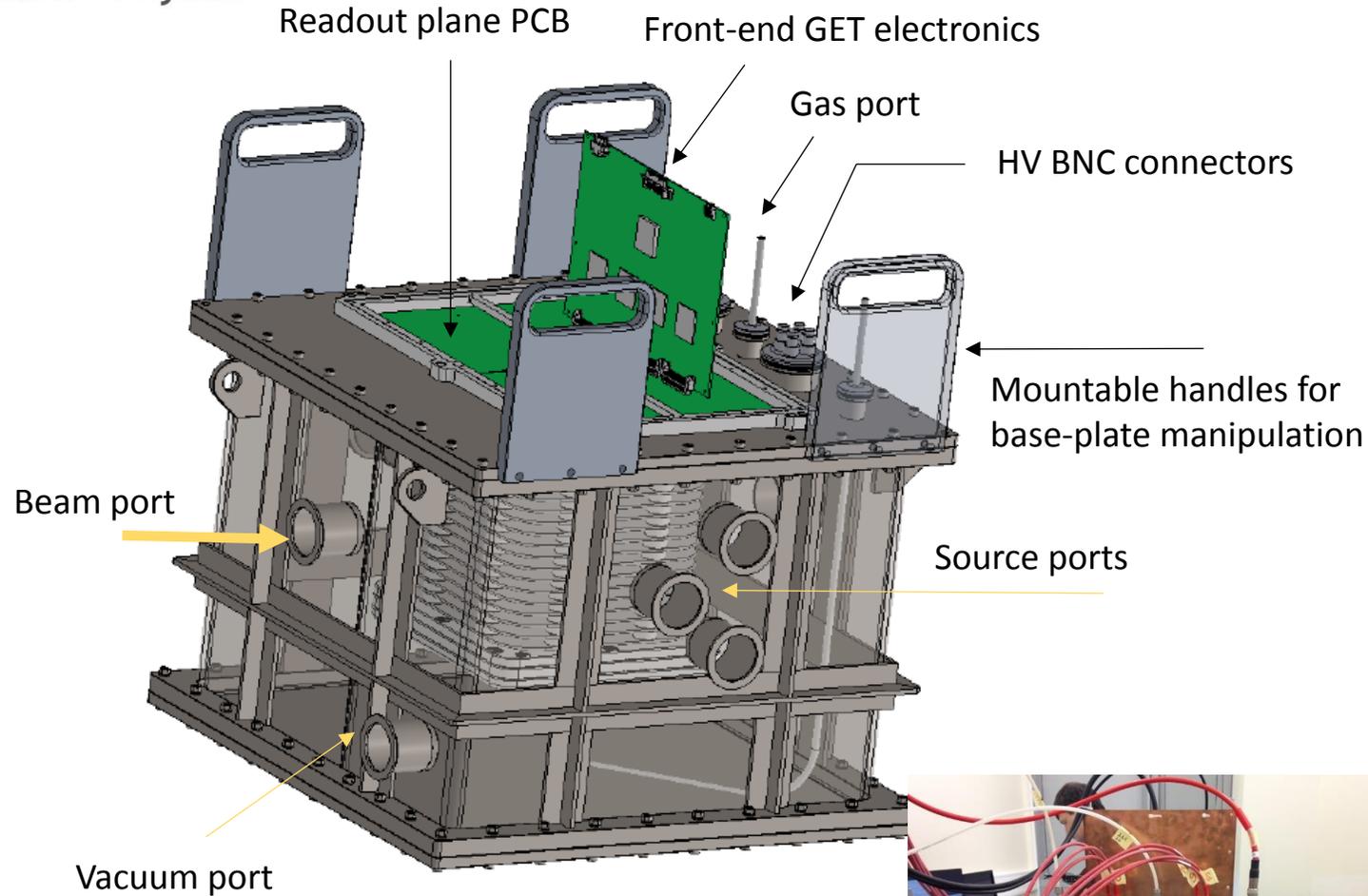


Transversal section of the ELIGANT - TNH High Efficiency 4π Thermal Neutron Detector

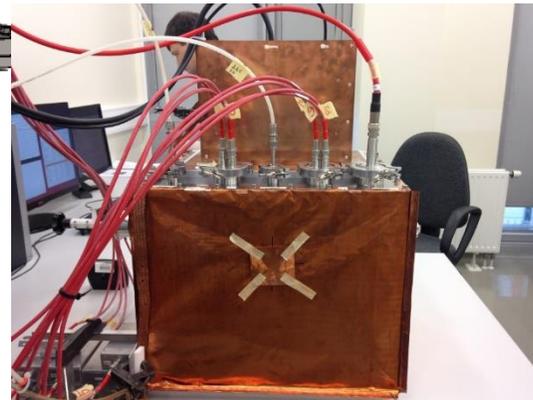
- ✓ 20 cylindrical ^3He proportional counters
- ✓ 60% detection efficiency
- ✓ low amount of ^{180}Ta target ($1\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$) to be used.

- ❖ Correct prediction of the $^{180}\text{Ta}^m$ yield highly requires both $^{181}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{180}\text{Ta}$ and $^{180}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{179}\text{Ta}$ cross section measurements.
- ❖ The measurements for the (γ, n) cross sections related to the p-nuclides destruction requires gamma ray beam three orders of magnitude higher than the existing ones.
- ❖ Measurements of the $^{180}\text{Ta}(\gamma, n)^{179}\text{Ta}$ reaction are foreseen in the Day 1 experiment at ELI-NP facility by using the maximum available gamma ray energy of 19 MeV.

flagship experiment: $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma, \alpha)^{12}\text{C}$



U. Warsaw, ELI-NP, U. Connecticut



The mini-eTPC detector with 256-channel readout was built and successfully tested in-beam at the IFIN Tandem in 2016

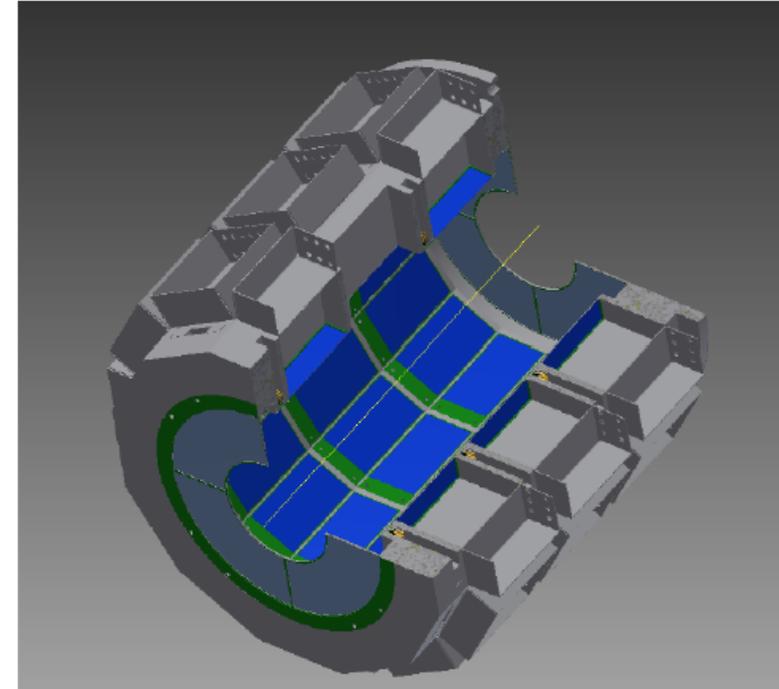
ELISSA:

- 3 rings of 12 position sensitive X3 silicon-strip detectors by Micron
- 2 end cap detectors from 4 QQQ3 segmented detectors by Micron
- 320 channels readout with GET electronics

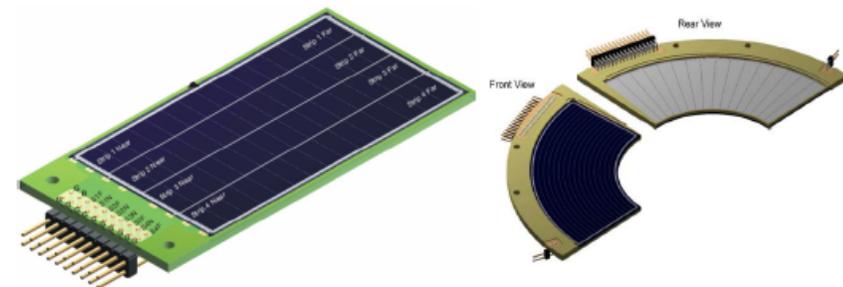
${}^7\text{Li}(\gamma, t)\alpha$

- reaction could still be a game changer in resolving the “Li problem”
- experimental measurements below 1.5 MeV are 30 yrs. old and disagree with theoretical predications
- higher energy measurements can restrict the extrapolation to astrophysically important energies

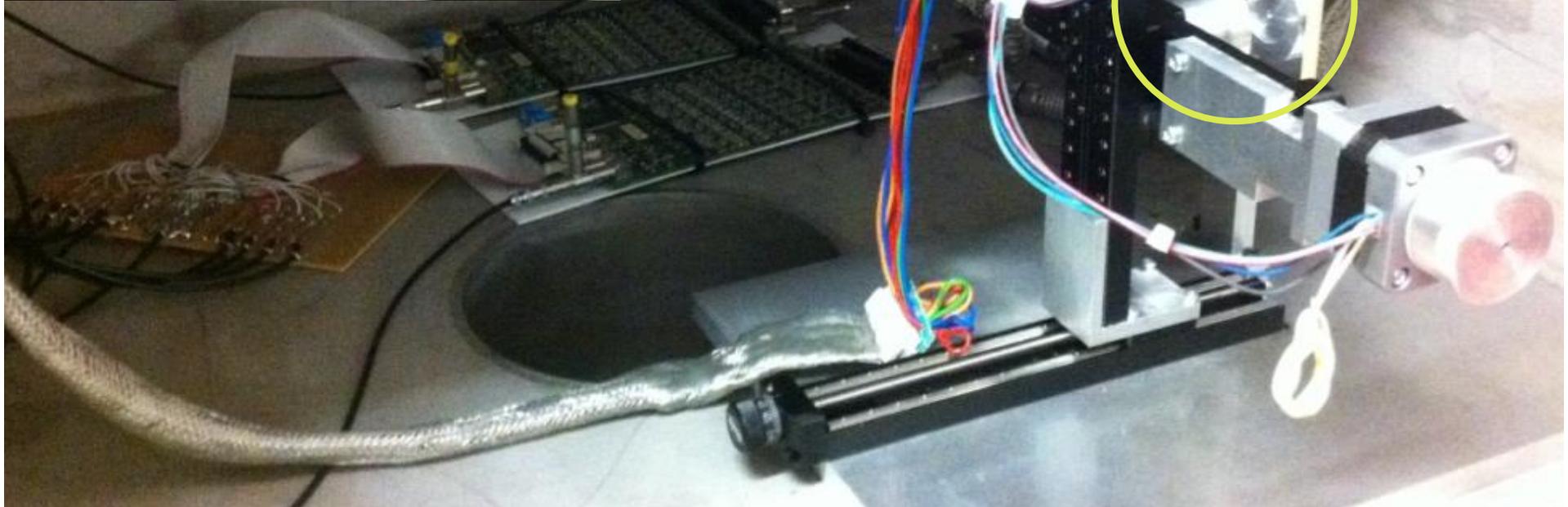
C. Matei et al., exp. at HIγS in March 2017



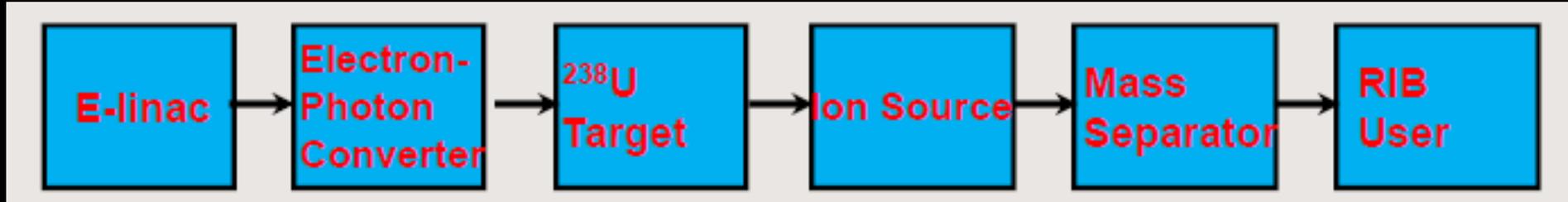
in collaboration with LNS Catania



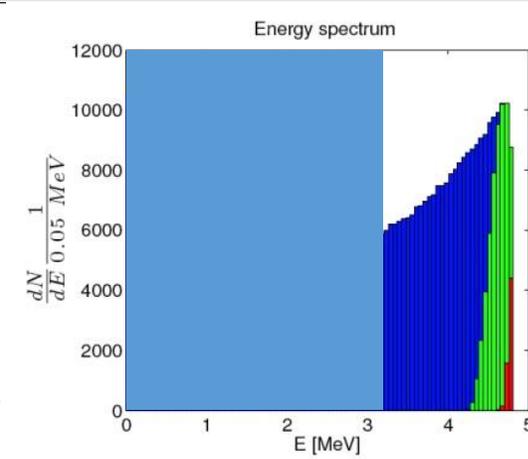
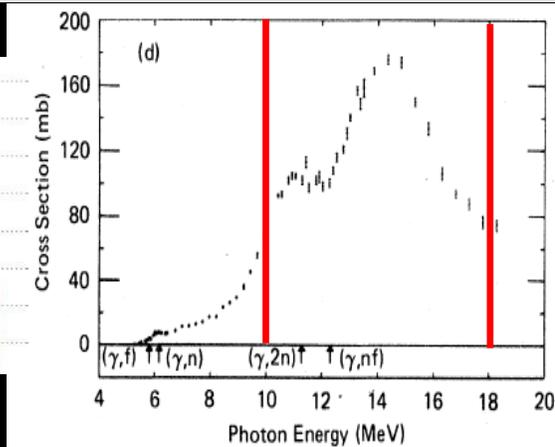
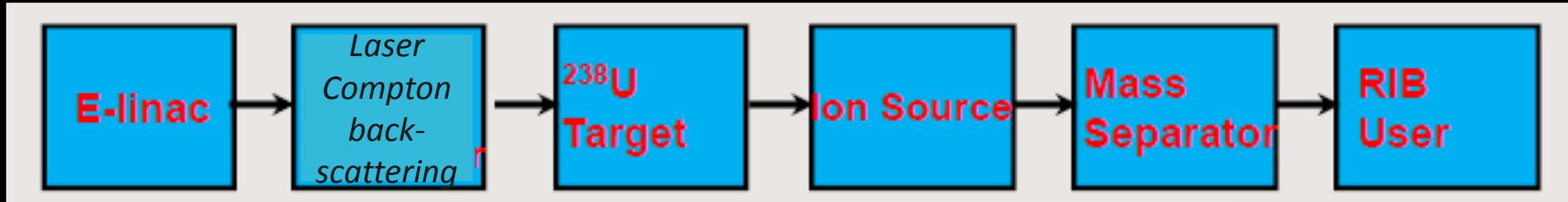
DSSD testing at ELI-NP



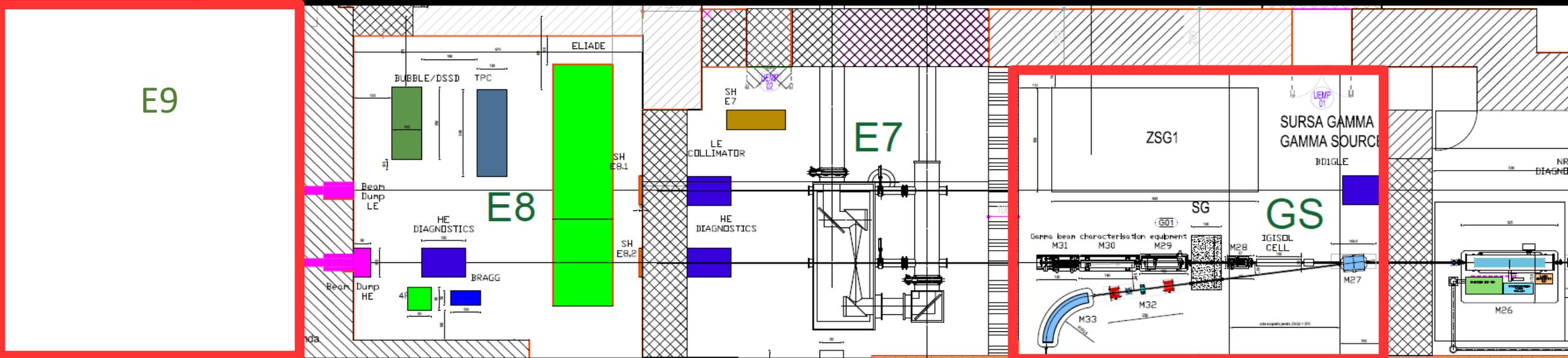
ALTO, ARIEL, etc



ELI-NP



IGISOL beamline: Location

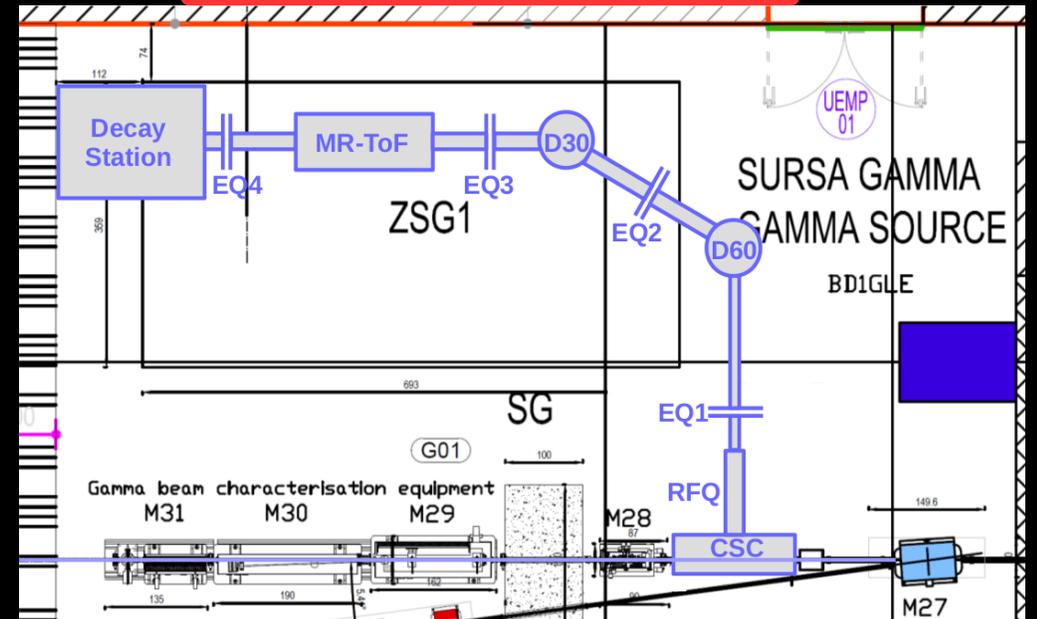


Location 1:

- CSC at 7m from IP $\rightarrow A \approx 0.7\text{cm}$
- maximum CSC length 1.5m
- crowded exp hall!

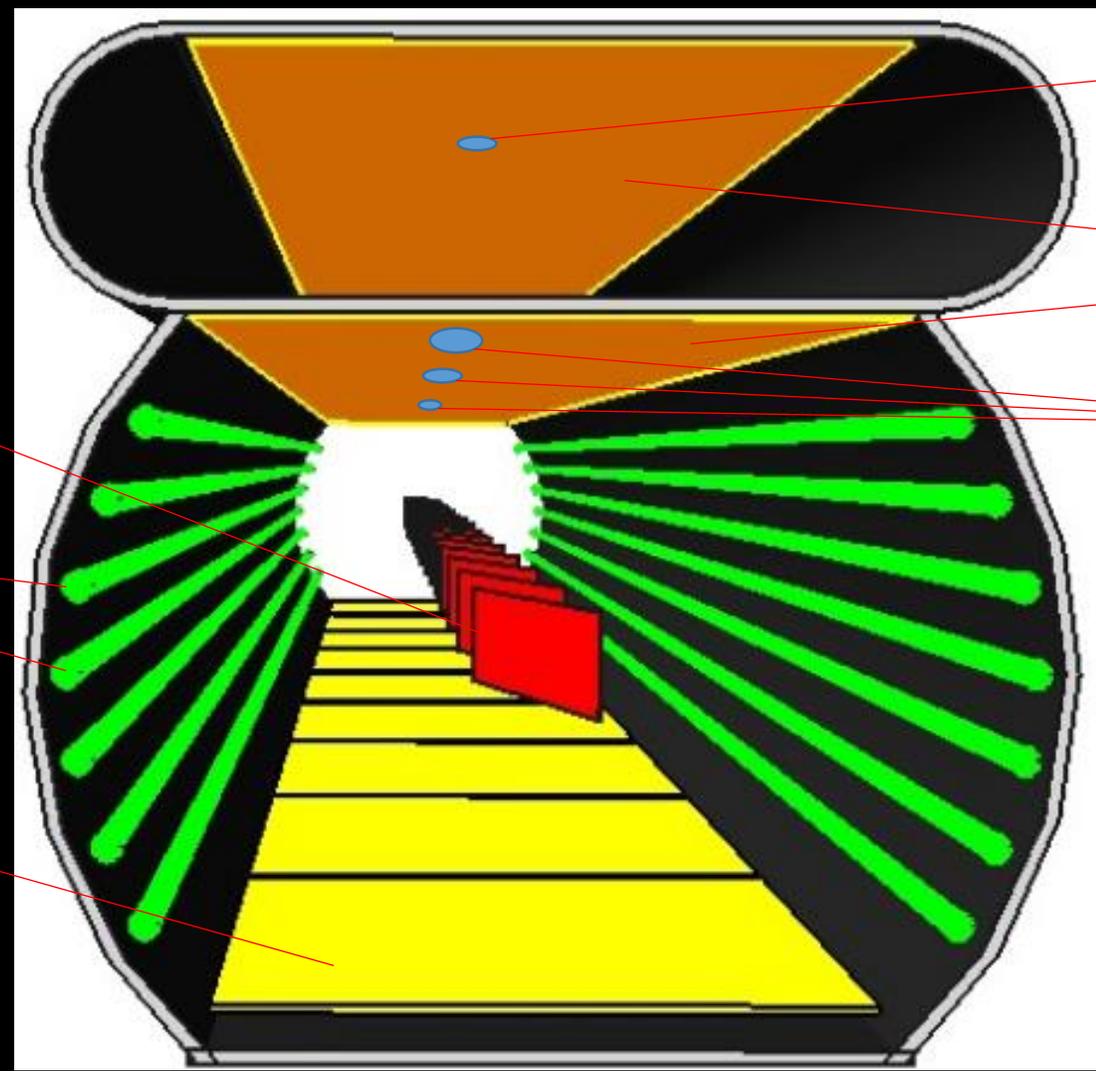
Location 2:

- CSC at 40m from IP $\rightarrow A \approx 4\text{cm}$
- plenty of space!



IGISOL facility at ELI-NP

double-chamber CSC



target assembly

DC electrodes

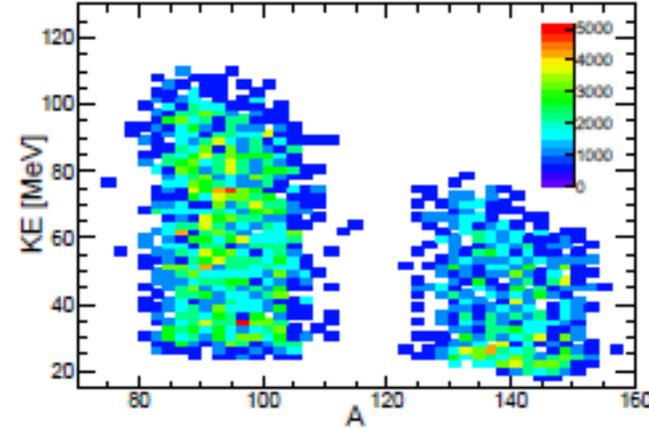
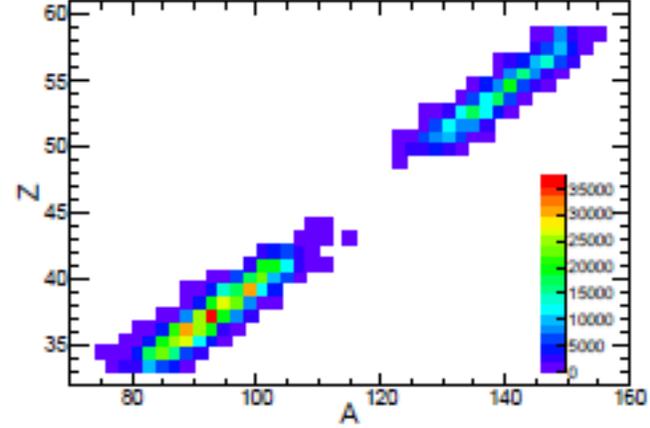
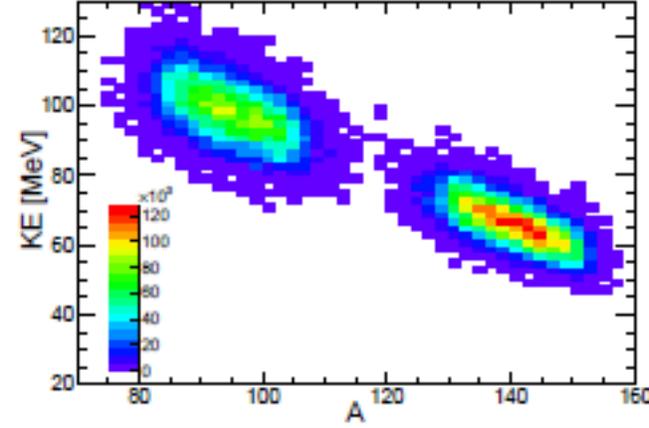
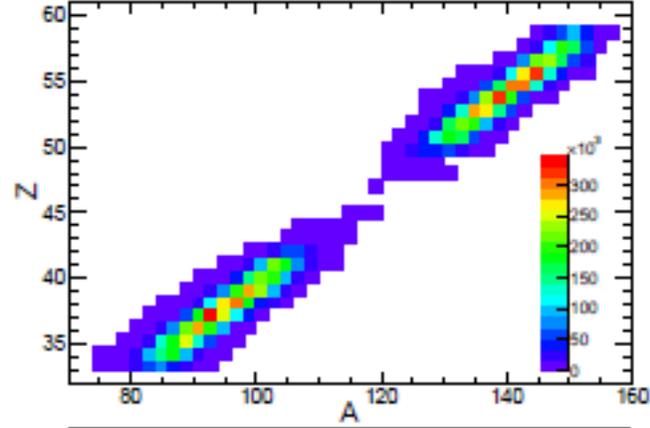
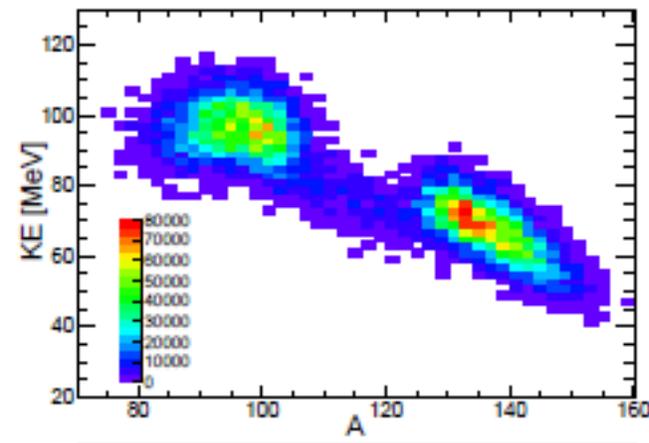
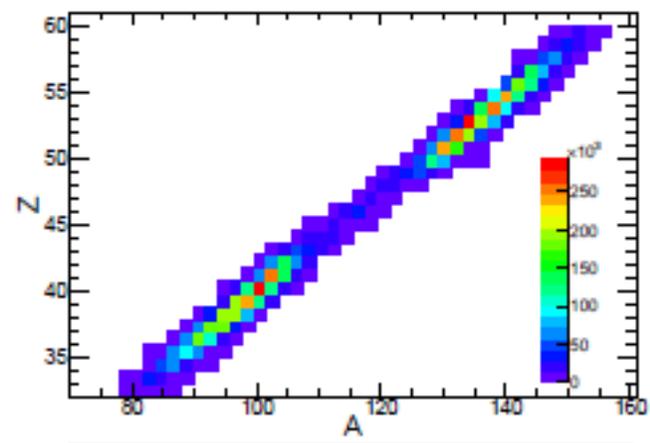
segmented anode

beam extraction

RF carpets

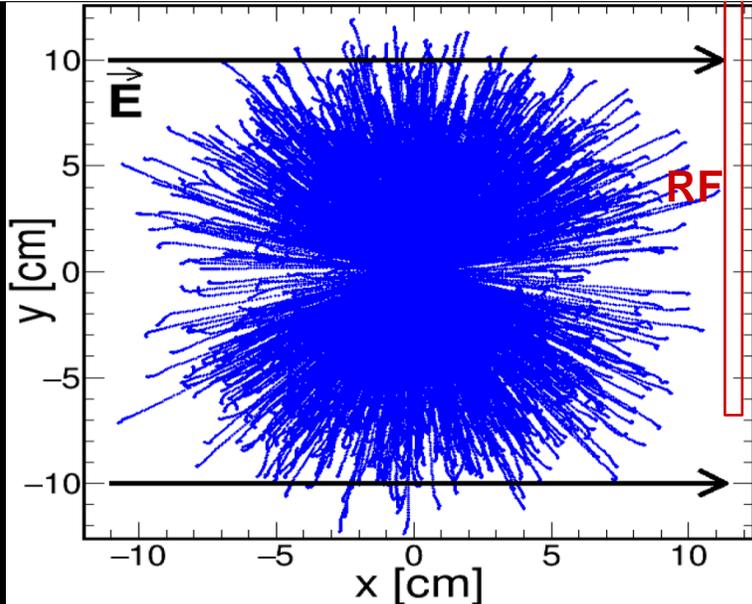
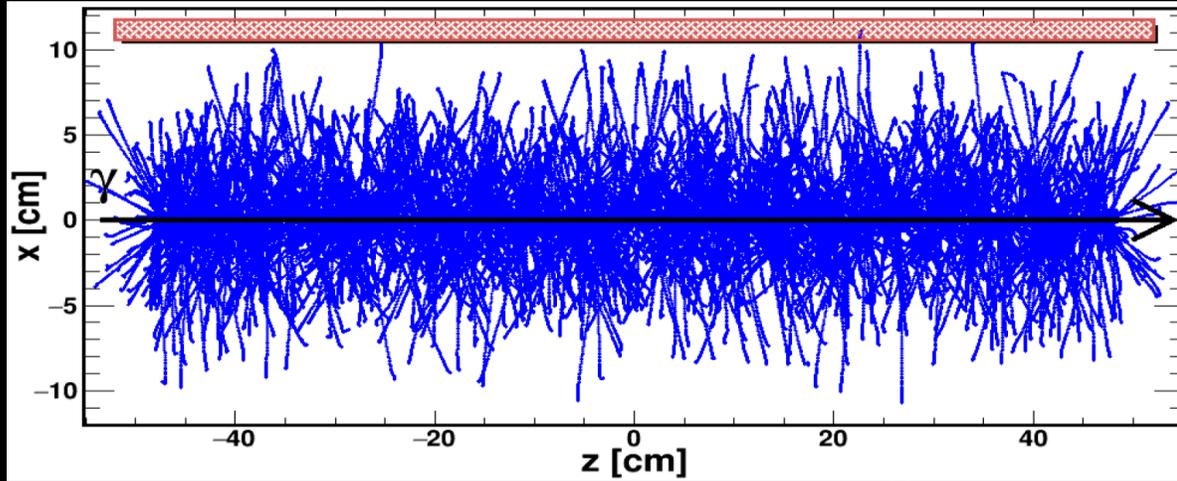
Laval nozzles

Work in collaboration with
GSI, Darmstadt and
University of Giessen



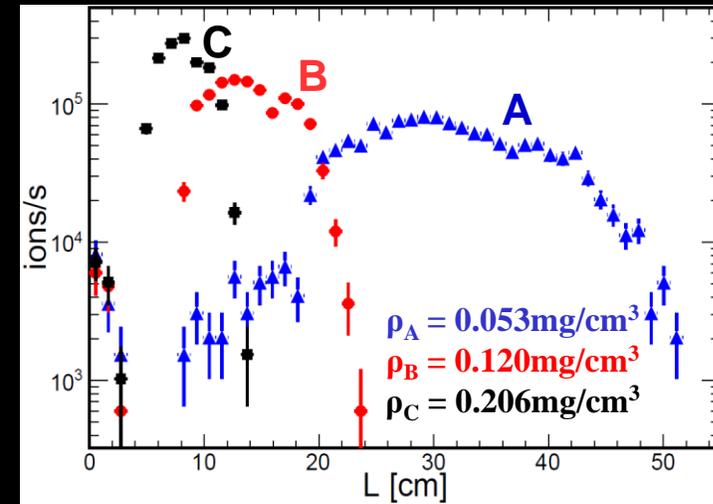
CSC Simulations: Fragment Slowing Down in the Gas Cell

Geant4: He, T=70K, p=300mbar ($\rho=0.206\text{mg/cm}^3$) \rightarrow >95% of fragments stop in



| | A | B | C |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| ρ [mg/cm ³] | 0.053 | 0.120 | 0.206 |
| p [mbar] | 100 | 200 | 300 |
| T [K] | 90 | 80 | 70 |
| L_{max} [cm] | 43.7 | 19.4 | 11.3 |

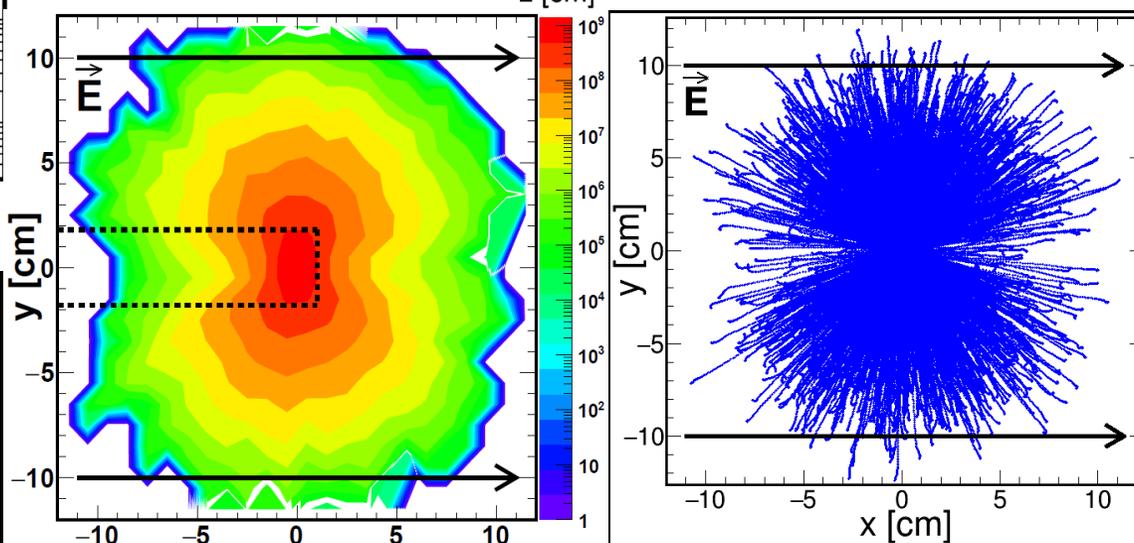
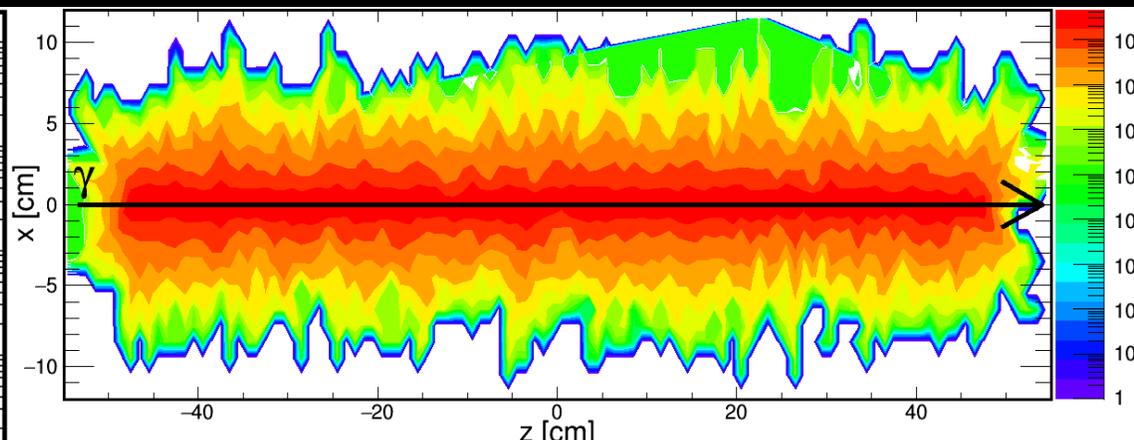
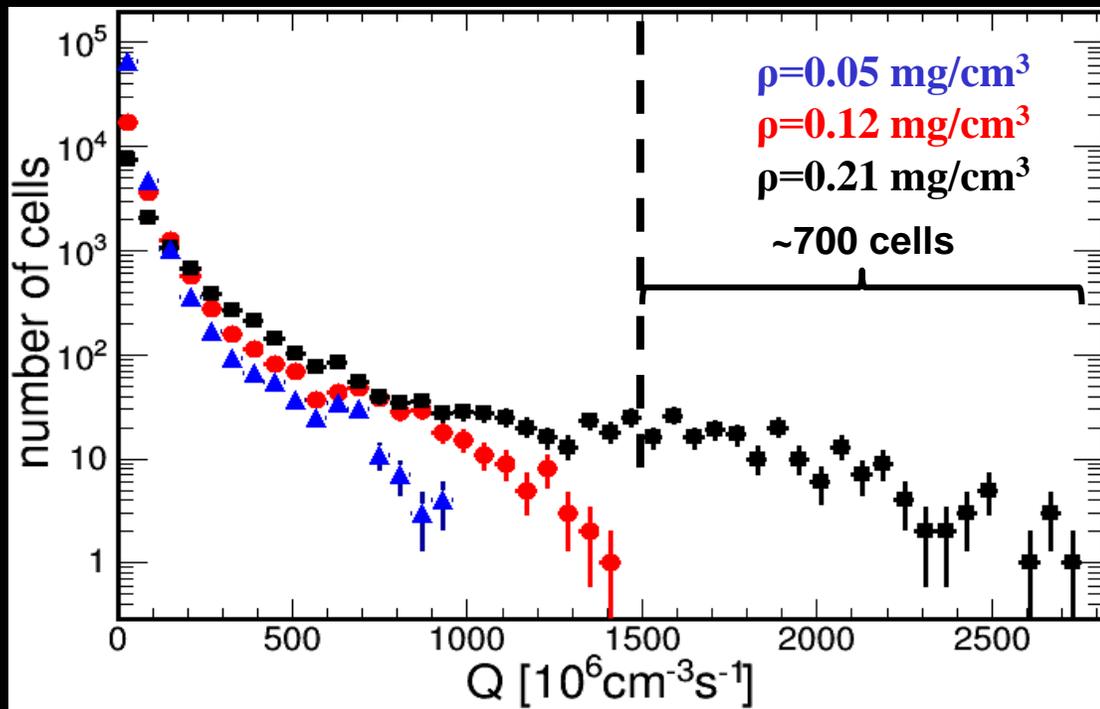
CSC width [cm]: 90 40 24



$$\rho \cdot L_{max} = 2.33 \text{ mg/cm}^2$$

CSC Simulations: Space Charge (I)

Divide CSC in $1 \times 1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$ cells: $24 \times 24 \times 100$ for $\rho = 0.21 \text{ mg/cm}^3$, $40 \times 40 \times 100$ for $\rho = 0.12 \text{ mg/cm}^3$, $90 \times 90 \times 100$ for $\rho = 0.05 \text{ mg/cm}^3$;
 Cummulate dE/dx deposited in 1s of beam and divide by $W_i = 41 \text{ eV}$.



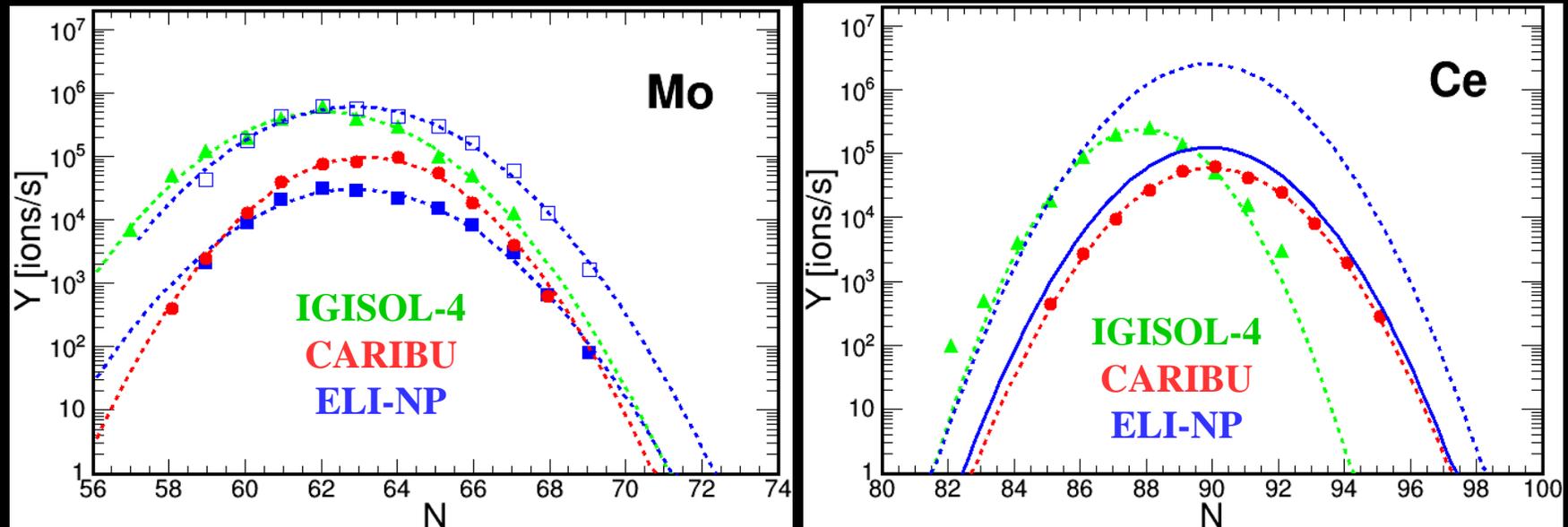
~2% stop in saturated region
 ~10% stop in "dead region"
 ~5% ions not stopped
 extraction efficiency < 85%

Expected Rates

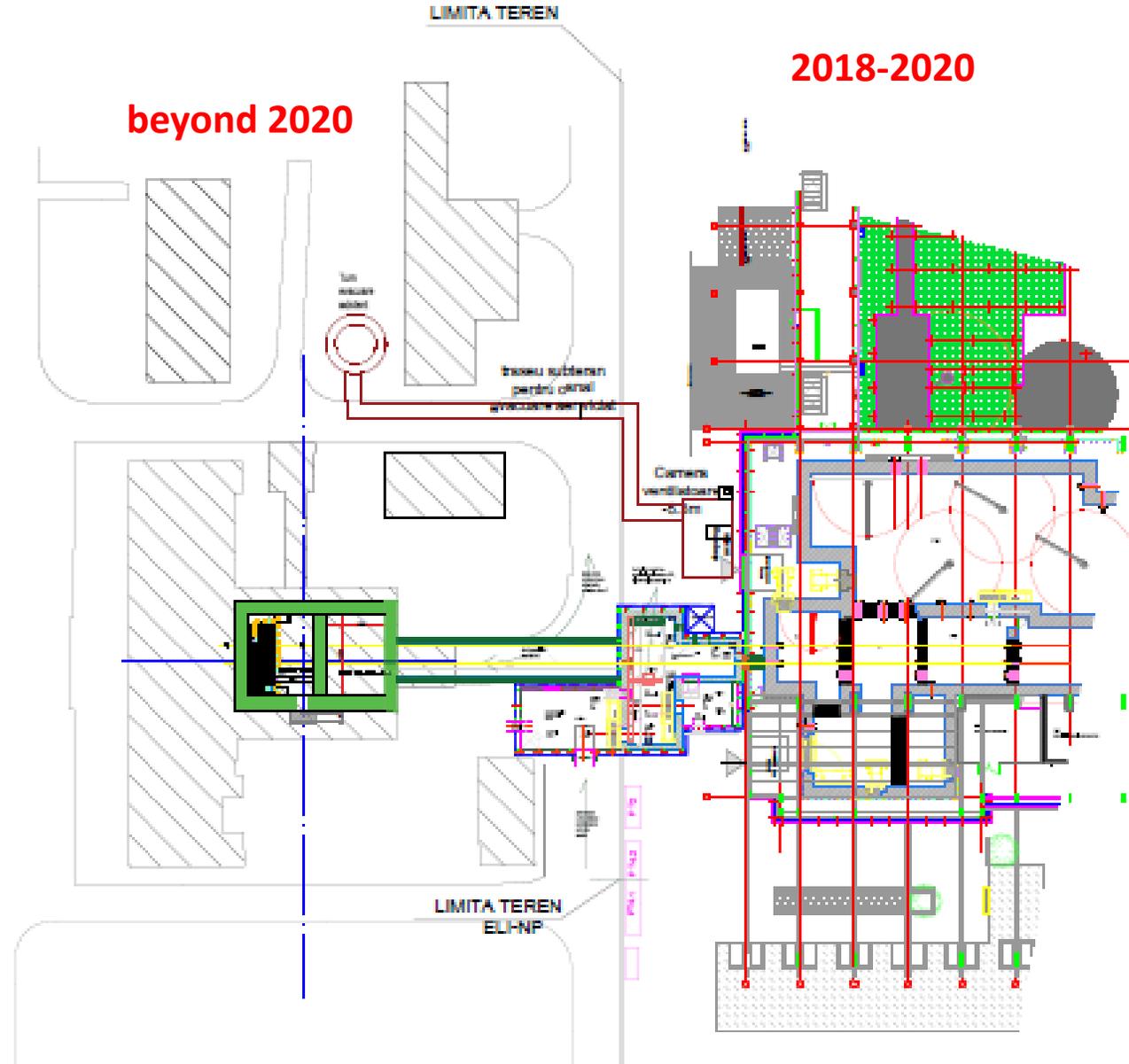
Rom. Rep. Phys. 68, S699 (2016)

Conservative “day-one”: beam $5 \cdot 10^{10} \gamma/s$, target release eff. 25% , CSC extraction eff. 50%
 $\rightarrow \sim 10^7$ photofissions/s and $\sim (0.8-2) \cdot 10^6$ extracted ions/s

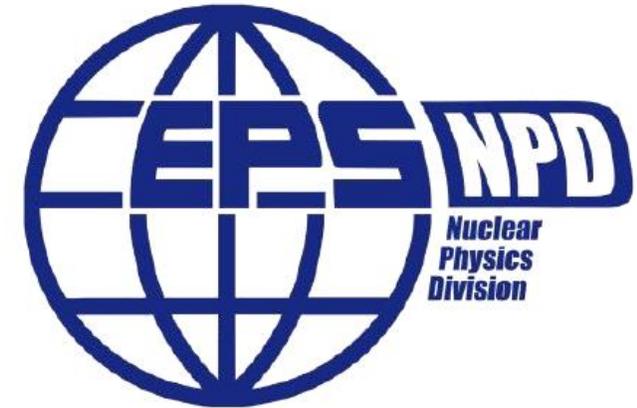
Optimal estimate: beam $10^{12} \gamma/s$, twice CSC extraction eff.
 \rightarrow expect ~ 2 orders of magnitude more!



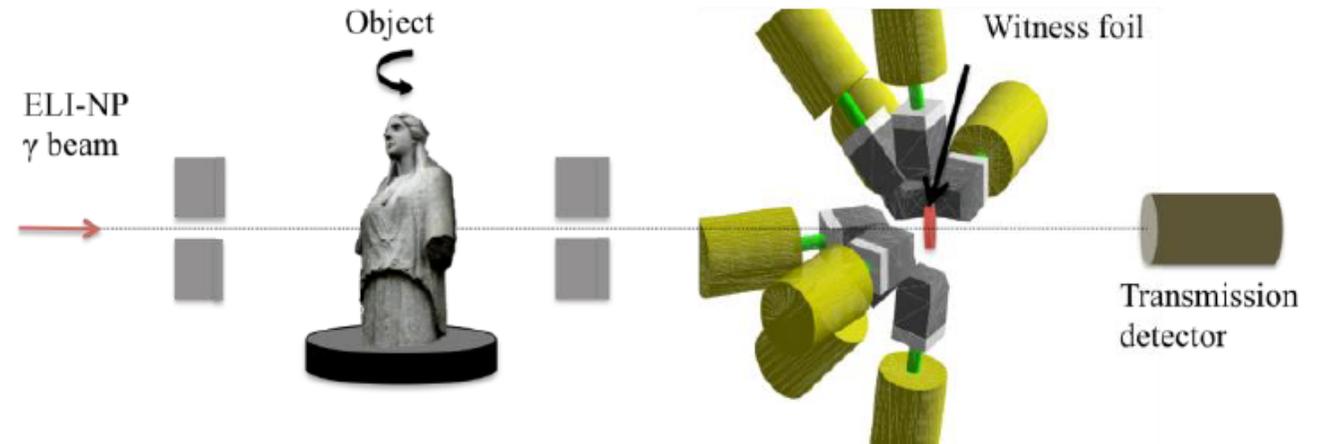
Next phases of ELI-NP



NUCLEAR PHYSICS FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE



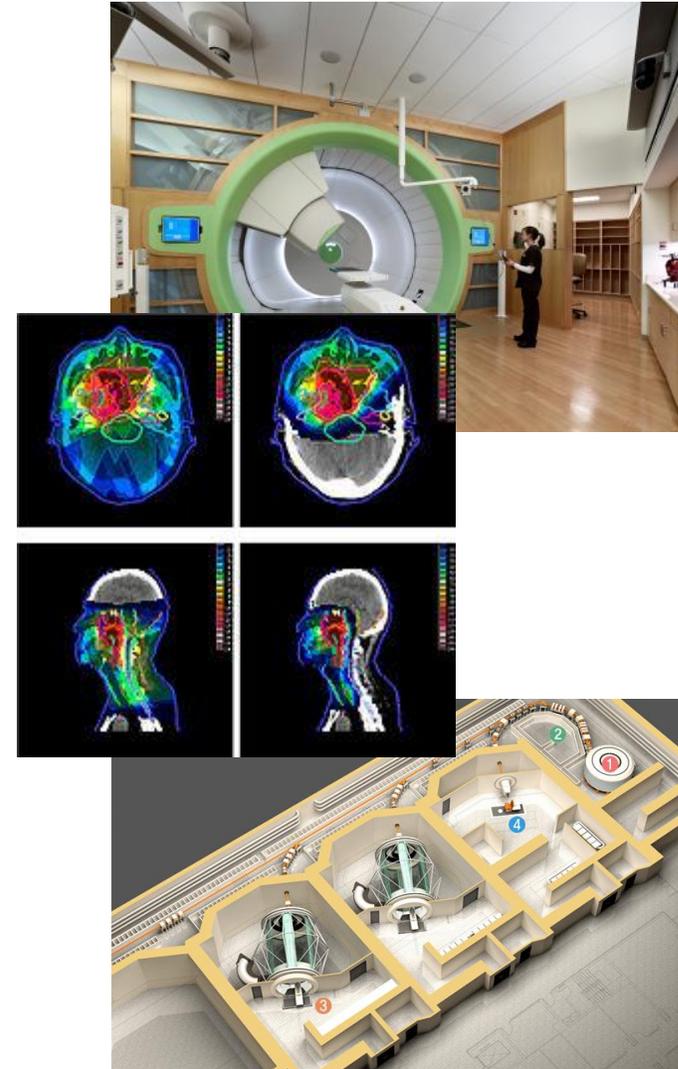
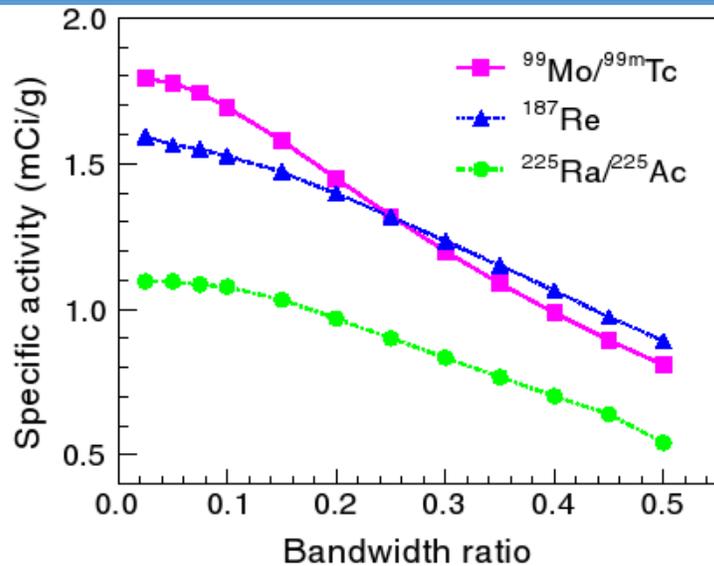
- The European initiative for Extreme Light Infrastructure laboratories in Romania (ELI-NP), will shortly provide tunable energy γ -rays from inverse Compton scattering of laser light on a high-energy electron beam. This will allow Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence studies of isotope-specific trace element distributions to be performed with unprecedented sensitivity. It is planned to use this powerful tool for cultural heritage object studies.



Medical radioisotopes at ELI-NP

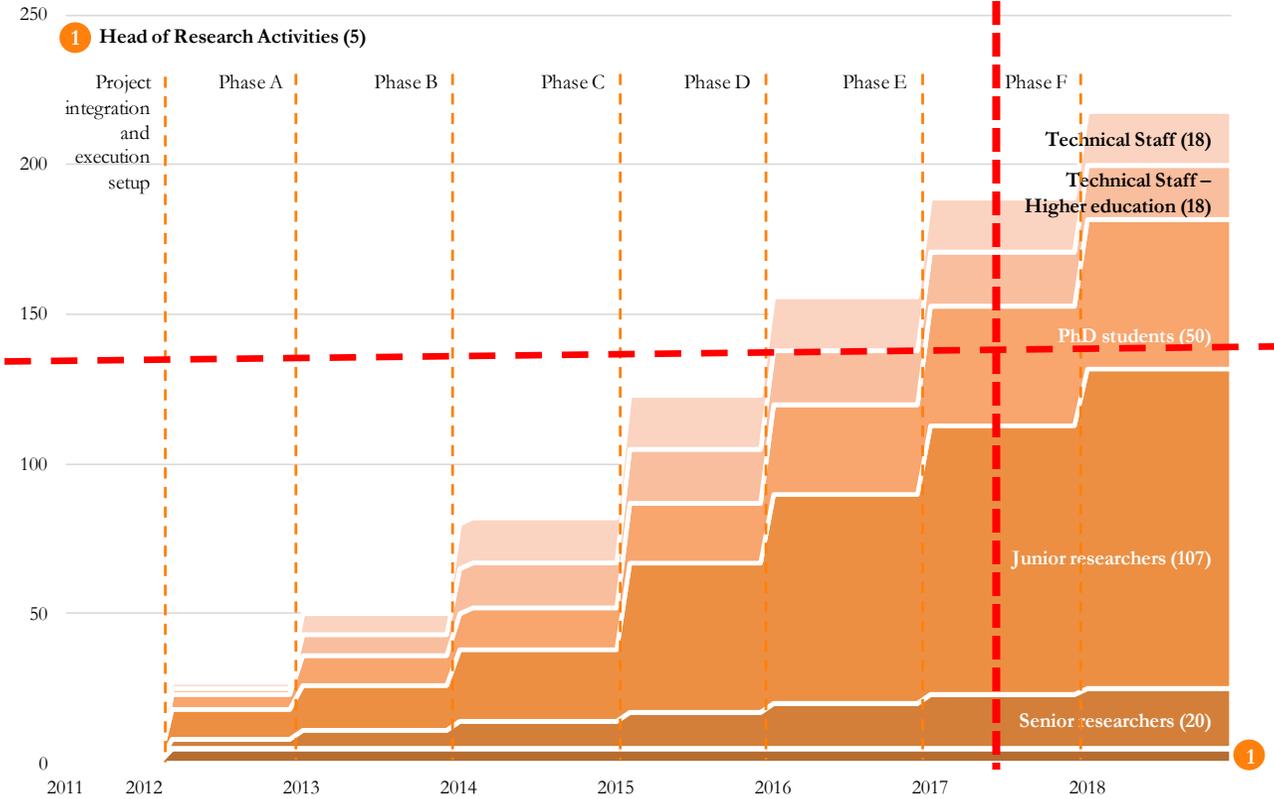
test case

• ^{195m}Pt : In chemotherapy of tumors it can be used to exclude "non responding" patients from unnecessary chemotherapy and optimizing the dose of all chemotherapy



Human Resources

Today



<http://www.eli-np.ro/jobs.php>



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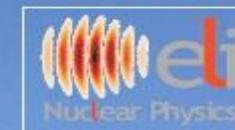


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