

# MULTIPAC: a versatile tool to investigate multiferroic and magnetic materials

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# Perturbed Angular Correlation



*Grindelwald city, Switzerland, 2021.*

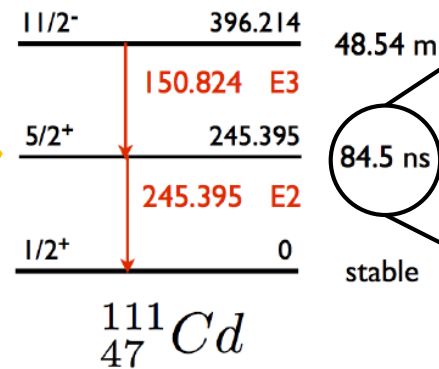
Analogy with the hyperfine  
interaction occurring in a material:  
A city interacting with its  
surrounding countryside.



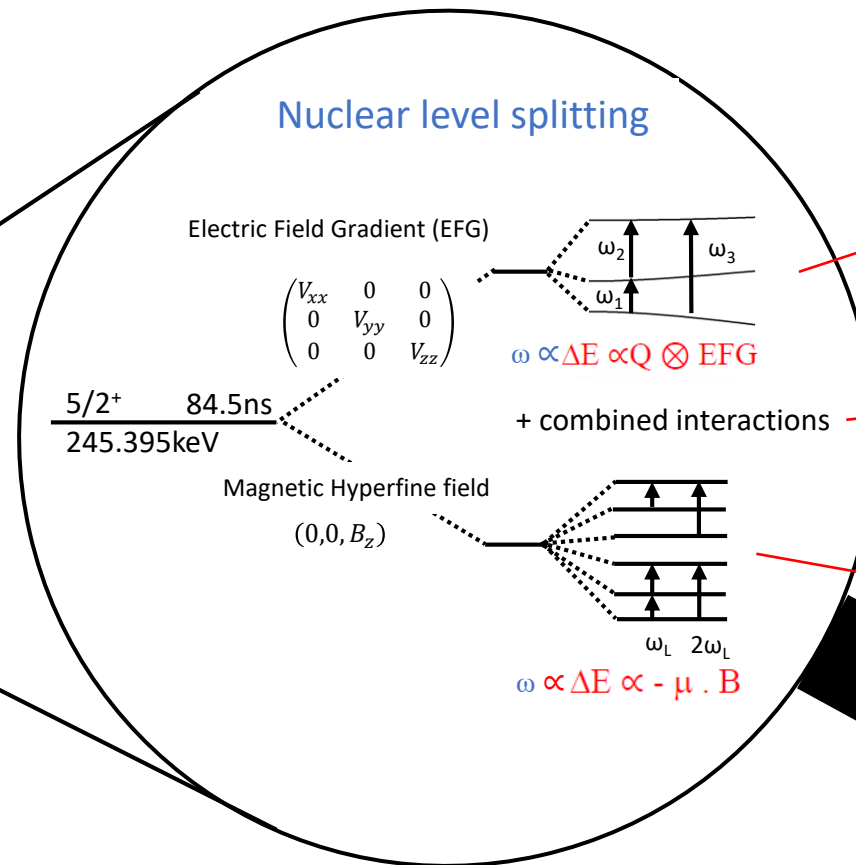
Ski slope after many skiers  
have skied on it

# Perturbed Angular Correlation (PAC)

A method to probe **hyperfine interactions** in matter

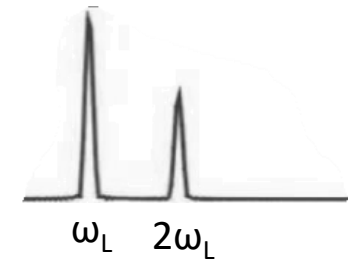
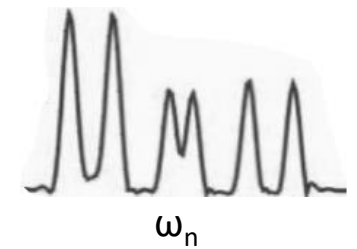
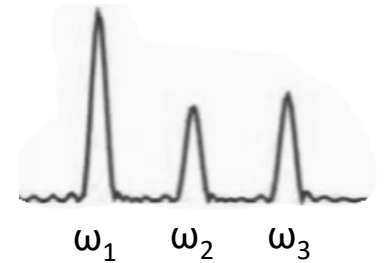


Nuclear probing  
state in matter



Consequence

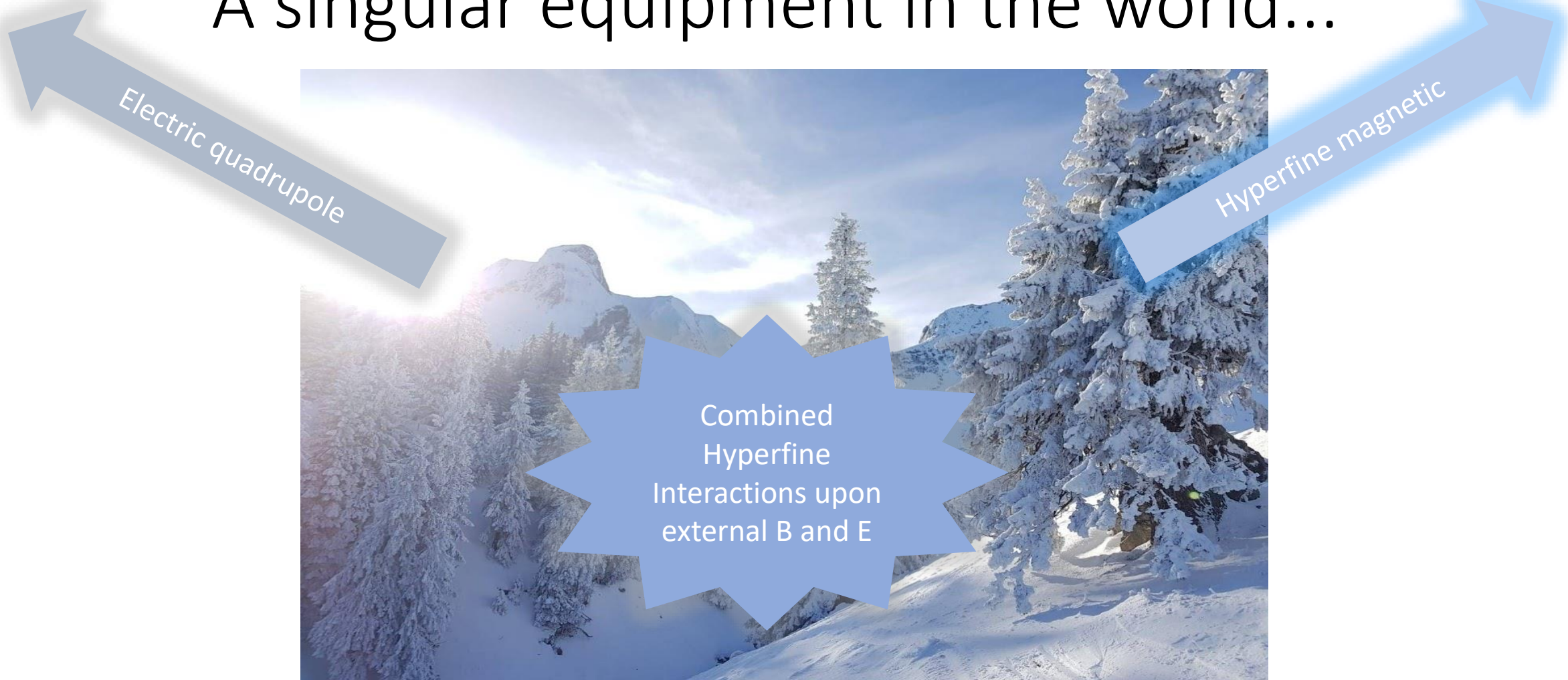
Transition frequencies



Observable



# A singular equipment in the world...



# A singular equipment in the world...



# MULTIPAC goals

VSM



electric fields

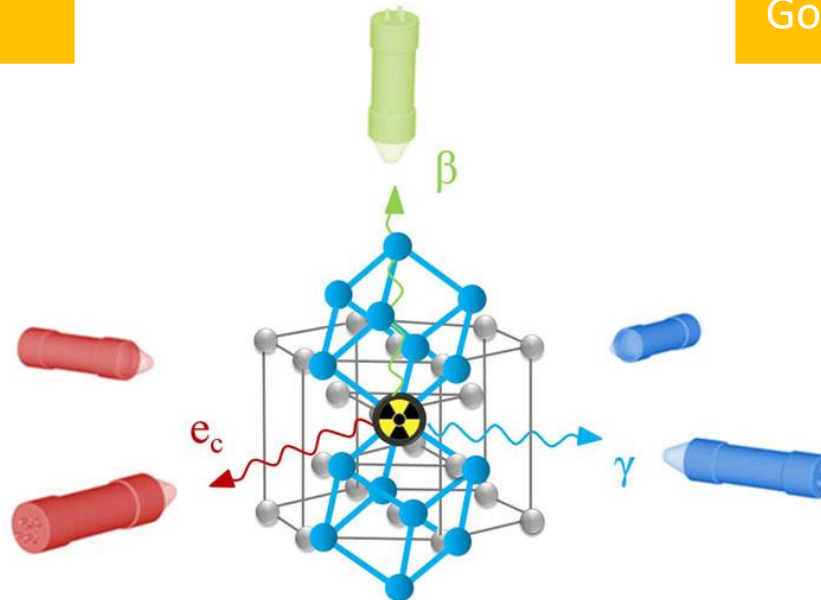


low temperature

Up to 10 T

Go to 4 K (< 20 min)

vibrating sample  
magnetometer



Simultaneous  
VSM and electric  
load

electric load

Digital PAC setup

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# Nuclear probes

## Selected probe

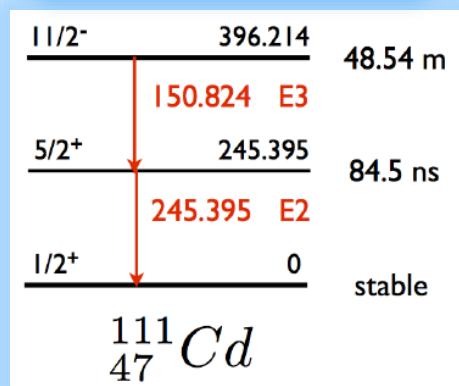
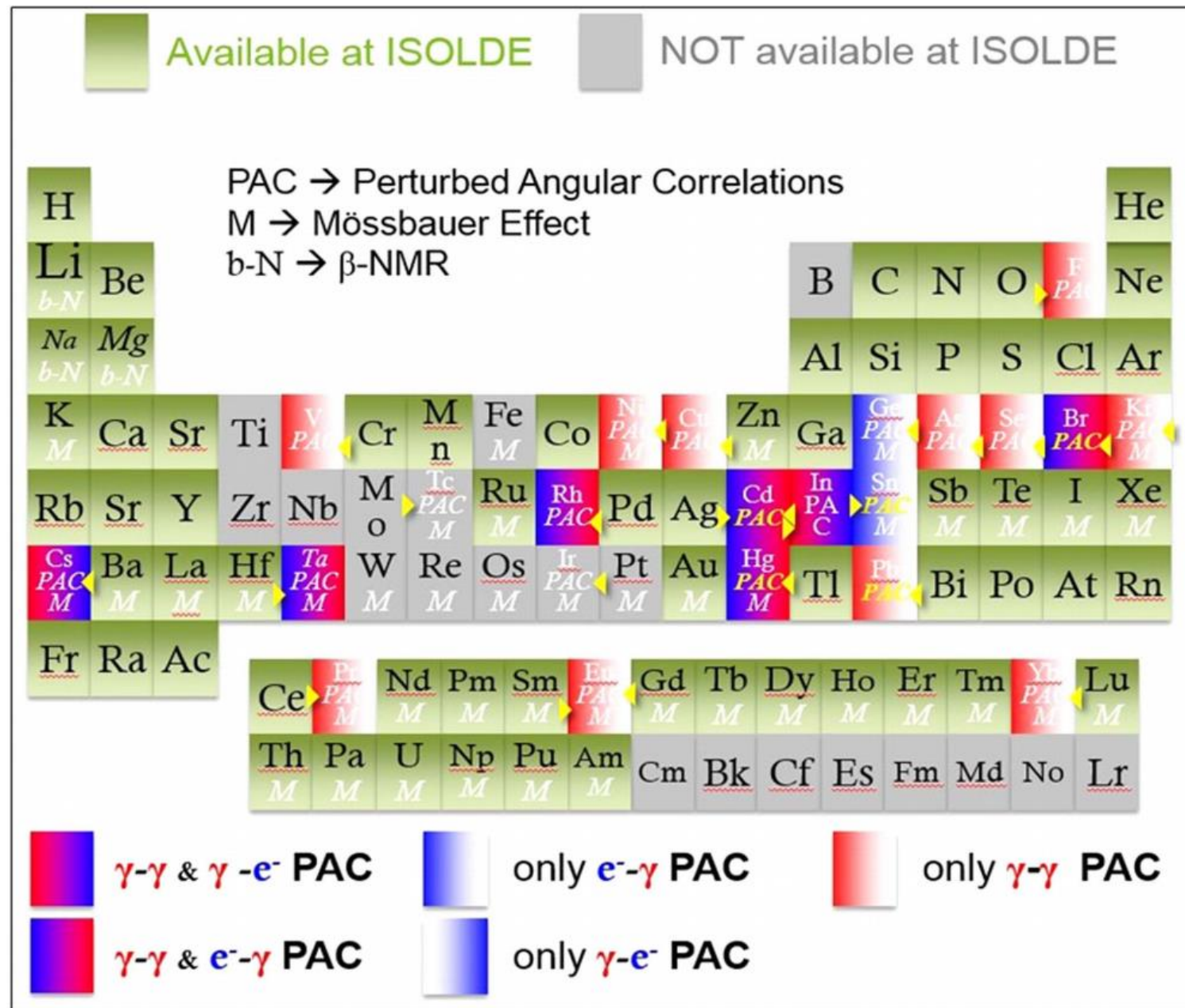


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# Nuclear probes for a great start

Parent isotope	$t_{1/2}$	Decay	Probe isotope	$\gamma_1\text{--}\gamma_2$ $E$ (keV)	$I$	$t_{1/2}$ (ns)	$Q$ (b)	$\mu$ ( $\mu_N$ )
$^{68m}\text{Cu}$	3.75 min	IT	$^{68}\text{Cu}$	526–84	2+	7.84(8)	(–)0.110(3) <sup>(a)</sup>	(+)2.857(6) <sup>(a)</sup>
$^{99}\text{Mo}$	2.7 d	EC	$^{99}\text{Tc}$	740–181	5/2+	3.61(7)	unknown	+3.48(4)
$^{111}\text{Ag}$	7.45 d	$\beta^-$	$^{111}\text{Cd}$	97–245	5/2+	84.5(4)	+0.68(2) <sup>(b)</sup>	–0.7656(25)
$^{111m}\text{Cd}$	48 min	IT	$^{111}\text{Cd}$	151–245	5/2+	84.5(4)	+0.68(2) <sup>(b)</sup>	–0.7656(25)
$^{111}\text{In}$	2.8 d	EC	$^{111}\text{Cd}$	171–245	5/2+	84.5(4)	+0.68(2) <sup>(b)</sup>	–0.7656(25)
$^{172}\text{Lu}$	6.7 d	EC	$^{172}\text{Yb}$	91–1094	3+	8.14(17) <sup>(c)</sup>	–2.9(3)	+0.65(4)
$^{181}\text{Hf}$	42.4 d	$\beta^-$	$^{181}\text{Ta}$	133–482	5/2+	10.8(1)	+2.28(2)	+3.29(3)
$^{199m}\text{Hg}$	42 min	IT	$^{199}\text{Hg}$	374–158	5/2–	2.46(3)	+0.95(7)	+0.88(3)
$^{204m}\text{Pb}$	67 min	IT	$^{204}\text{Pb}$	912–375	4+	265(6)	0.44(2)	+0.225(4)

# MULTIPAC goals

$E_{\text{field}}$



VSM



Low temperature

Atomic shifts

$\mu_N$  value

spin ordering

Octahedron or  
tetrahedron  
rotations

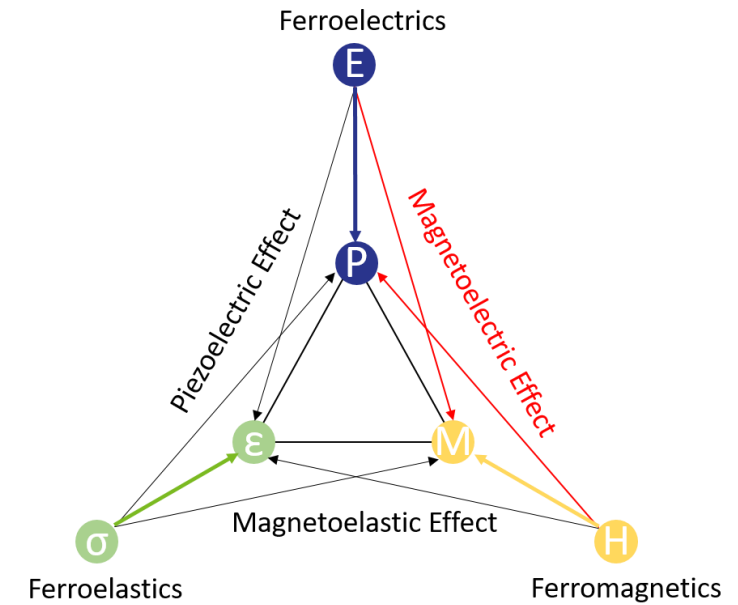
Defects and lattice  
deformation

Lattice location of  
the probe

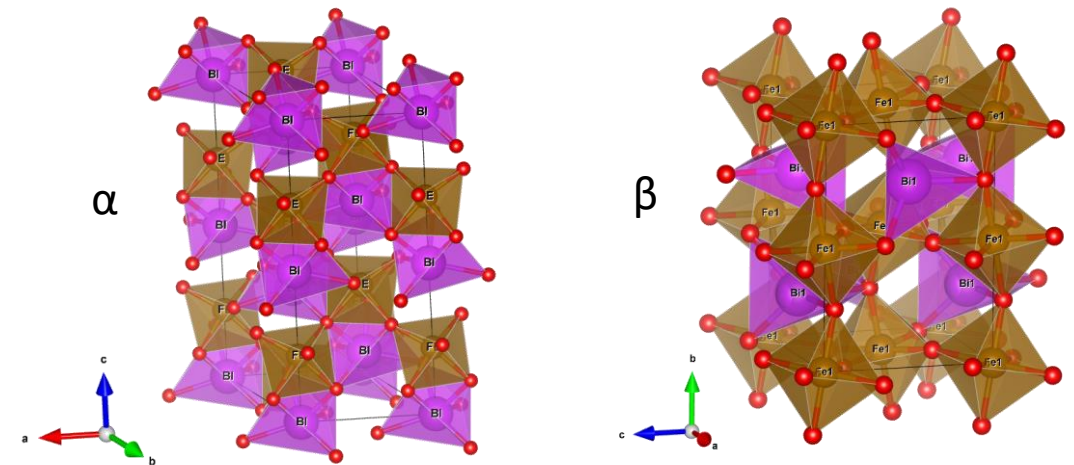


# Bismuth Ferrite – $\text{BiFeO}_3$

- Curie Temperature  $\approx 820^\circ\text{C}$
- Néel Temperature  $\approx 370^\circ\text{C}$ 
  - Thus magnetoelectric at room temperature
- Rhombohedral  $\alpha$ -phase
- Orthorhombic  $\beta$ -phase



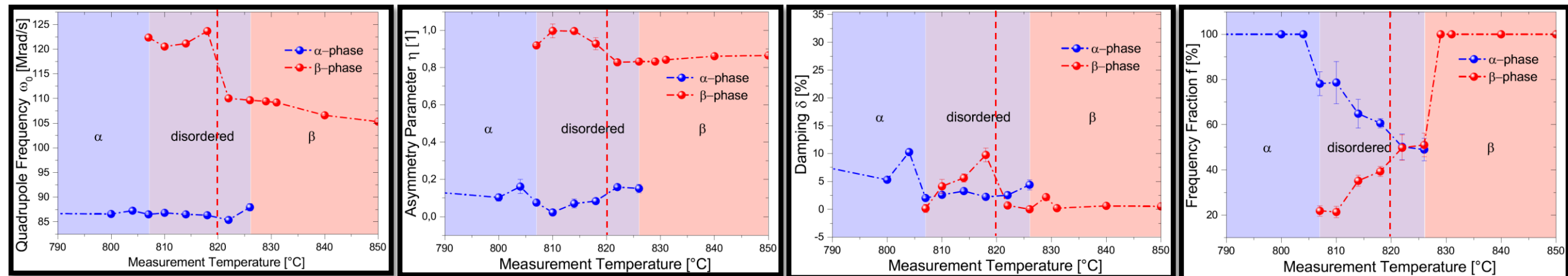
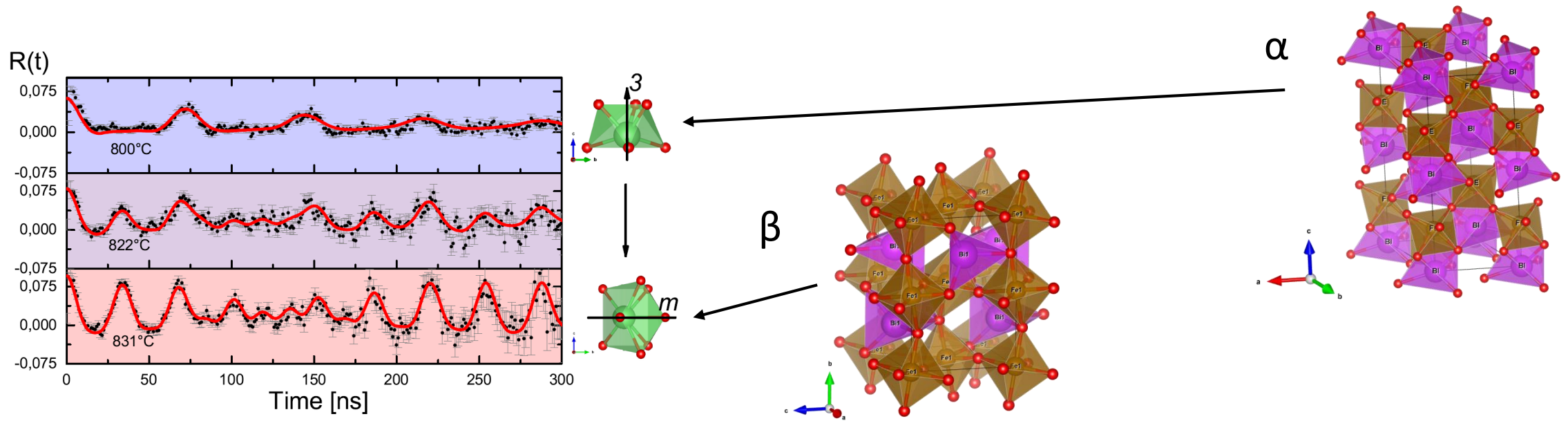
	RT	$T_N$	$T_C$	$\beta$
[1] Raman	R3c AFM	R3c PM	Pm-3m	
[2] DTA, XRD, Raman	R3c AFM	R3c PM	P2mm	
[3] XRD	R3c AFM	R3c PM	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	
[4] Ab initio calc.	R3c AFM	R3c PM	I4/mcm	
[5] PND	R3c AFM	R3c PM	Pbnm	
[6] XRD	R3c AFM	R3c PM	R3c	
[7] XRD	R3c AFM	R3c PM	Pbnm	
This work	R3c AFM	R3c PM	Pbnm	



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# Temperature dependence of hyperfine parameters



# Below $T_N$ : $^{111}\text{In}$

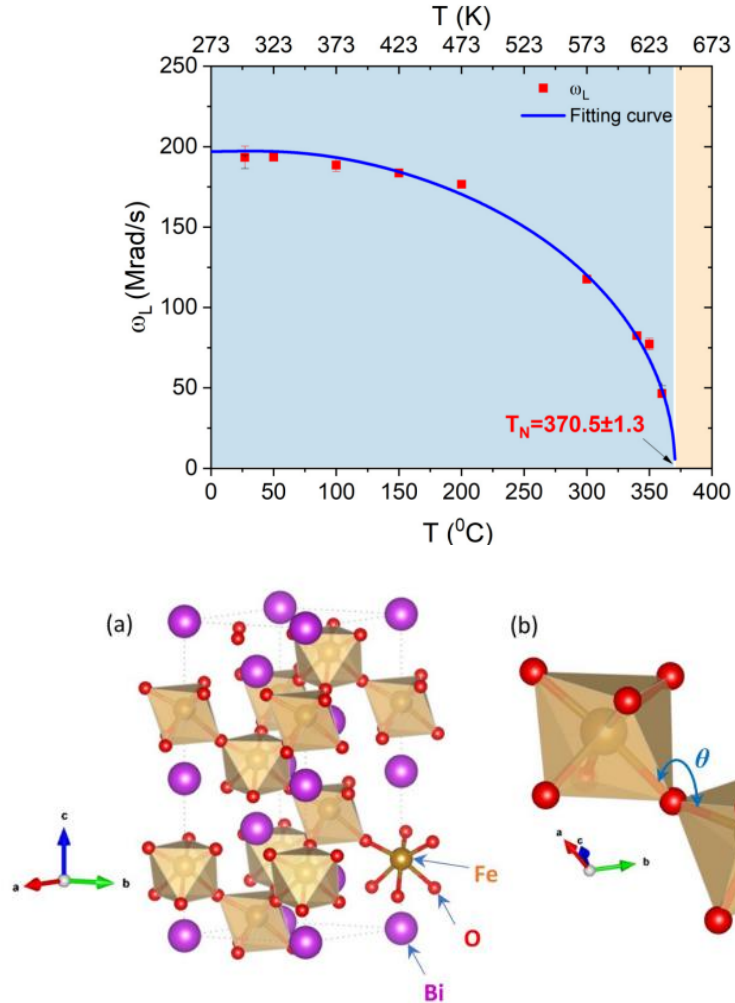


FIG. 1. (a) Unit cell representation of BFO where the Bi-O bonds are not shown. (b) Magnified view of two neighboring, interconnected FeO<sub>6</sub> octahedra. (c) FeO<sub>6</sub> octahedra viewed along the threefold axis to emphasize octahedral tilting. This picture was reproduced based on the work of Ruchi *et al.* (Fig. 1) [3] using the VESTA program [4].

## Temperature dependence of the local electromagnetic field at the Fe site in multiferroic bismuth ferrite

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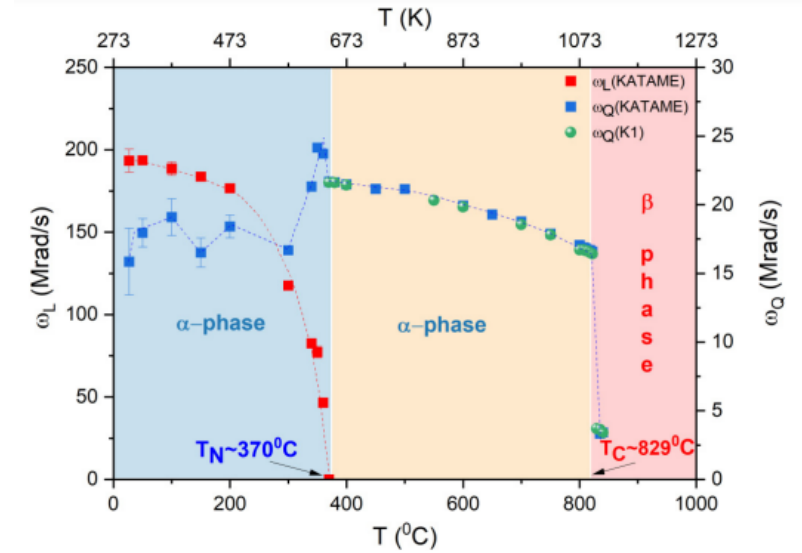
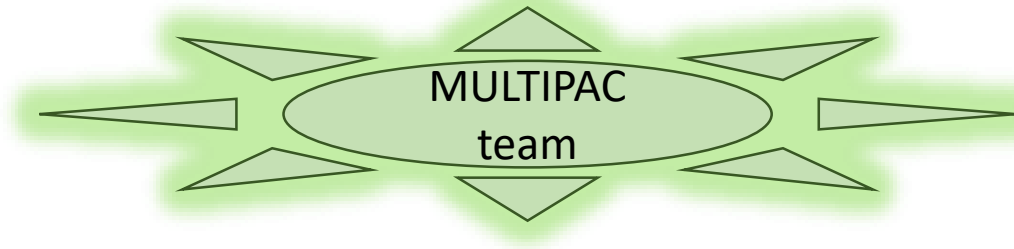


FIG. 4. Temperature dependence of the quadrupole ( $\omega_Q$ ) and Larmor ( $\omega_L$ ) frequencies according to the KATAME and K1 machines. The  $\alpha$  phase is shown in orange ( $T > T_N$ ) and light blue ( $T < T_N$ ) layers, whereas the  $\beta$  phase is shown in the brick red layer. The red and blue dotted curves are shown for visual guidance.

# Thank you very much!



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