

# Reactions with relativistic radioactive beams (R<sup>3</sup>B) in NUSTAR

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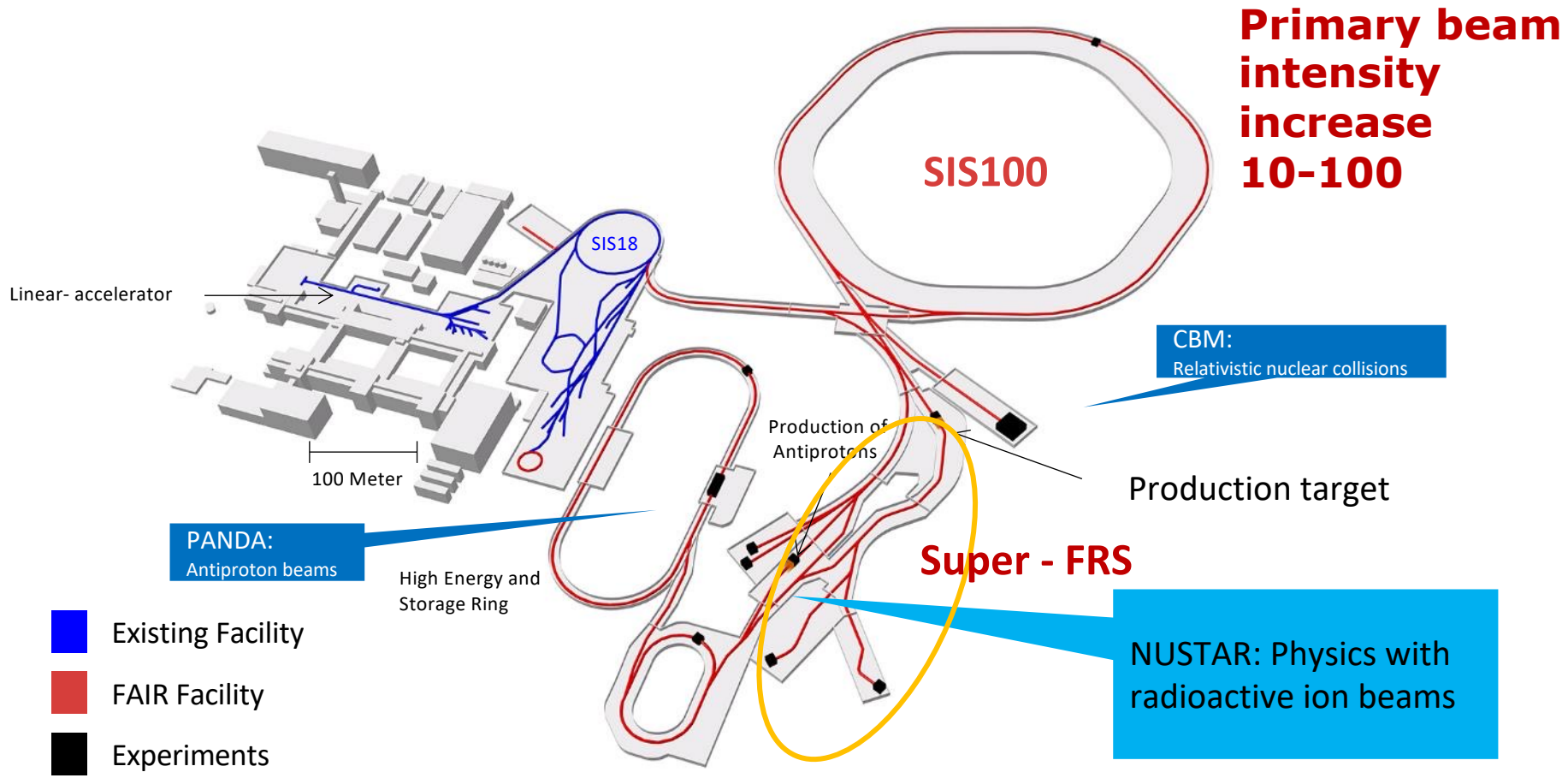


With a lot of material from J. Cederkäll, V. Panin, H. Simon, ...

R<sup>3</sup>B

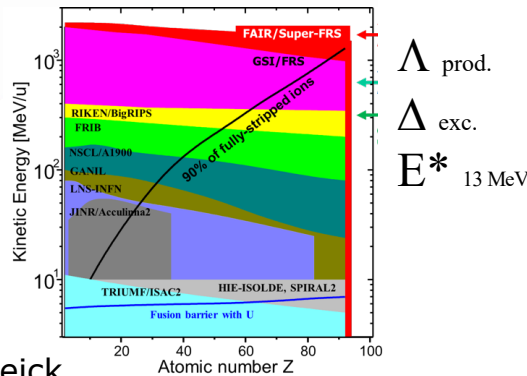
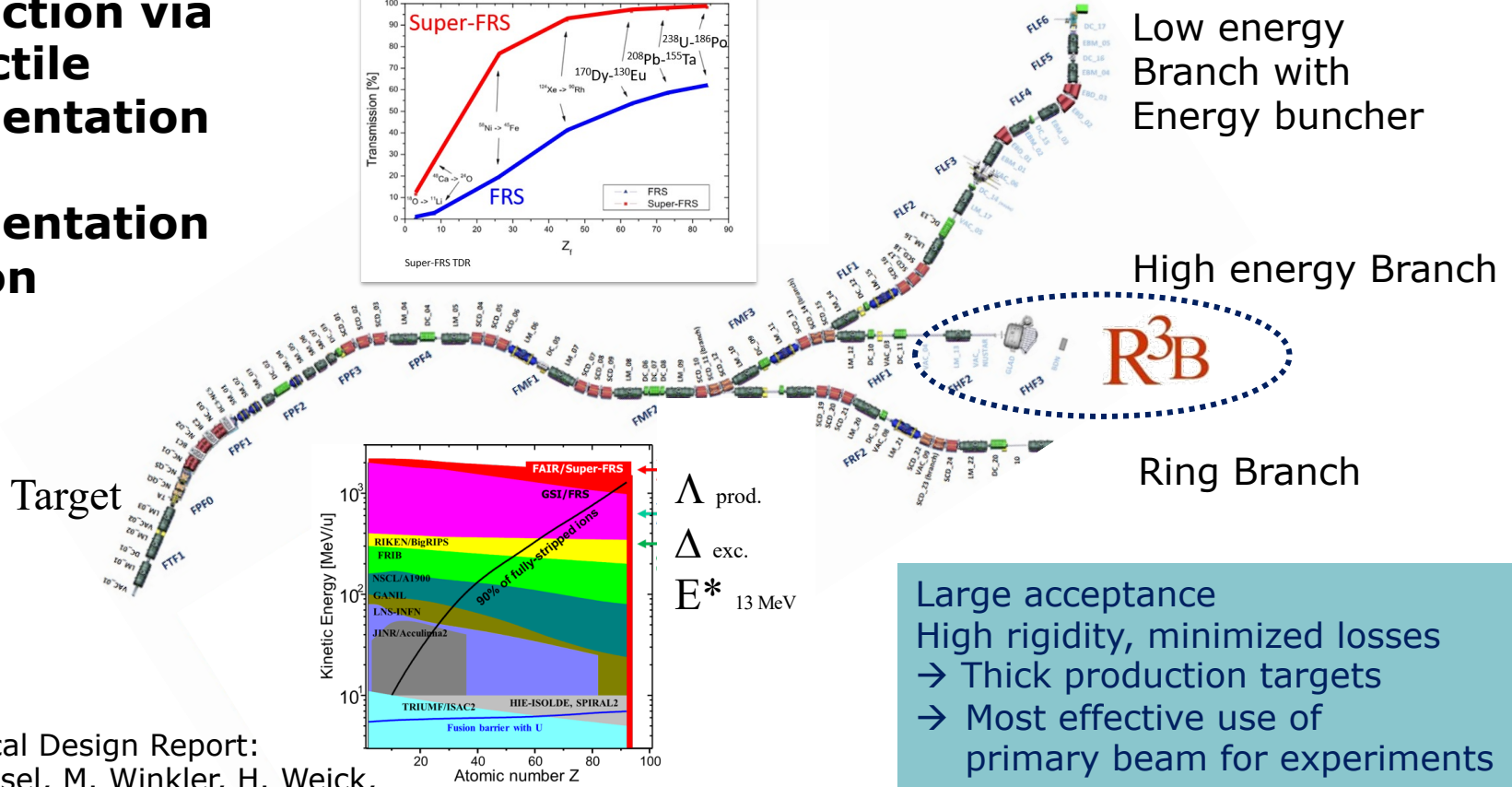
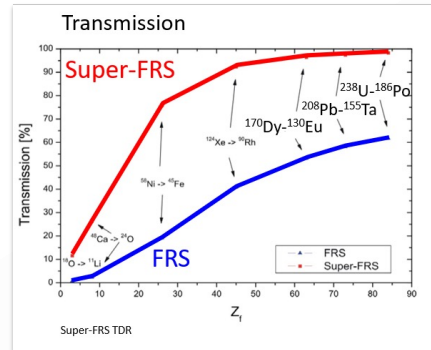
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# Radioactive beams at FAIR



# Super-FRS: workhorse for NUSTAR

Production via projectile fragmentation and fragmentation-fission



Technical Design Report:  
H. Geissel, M. Winkler, H. Weick,  
et al. (2009)

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# R<sup>3</sup>B: Reactions with relativistic radiatoactive beams

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The general idea: collide radioactive beams with a **secondary target** for **kinematically complete measurements** - usually in inverse kinematics.

This requires:

**Incomming particle ID** => tracking,  $\Delta E$  and ToF detectors.

**Gammas, protons, neutrons** around the target => **CALIFA**

Identify **reaction fragments** => **GLAD**, tracking detectors, ToF wall

**Neutrons** in forward direction => **NeuLAND**

**Protons** in forward direction => **mRPC** (Resistive Plate Chamber)

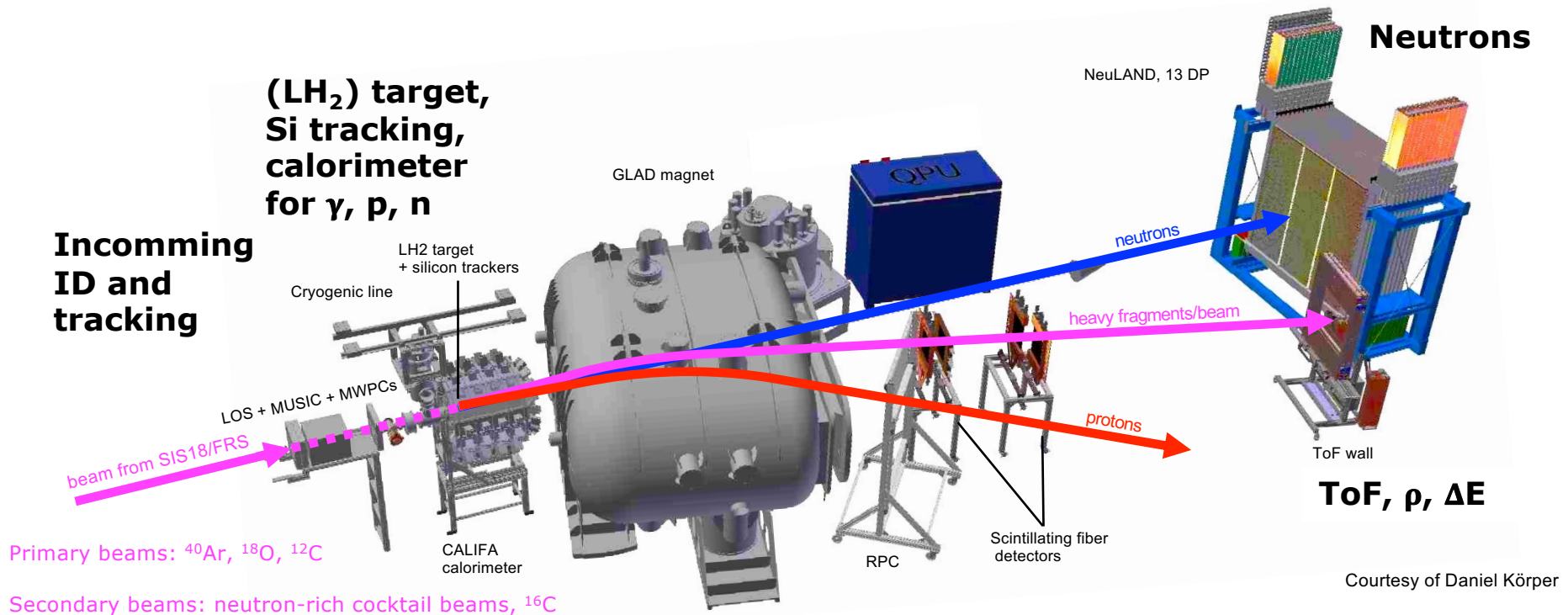
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# The R<sup>3</sup>B setup in 2022

**B $\rho$ - $\Delta E$ -ToF**  
 **$\Delta E \rightarrow Z$**   
**ToF  $\rightarrow \beta$**

$$\Rightarrow B\rho = \frac{m_0 \gamma \beta}{Z} \Rightarrow$$

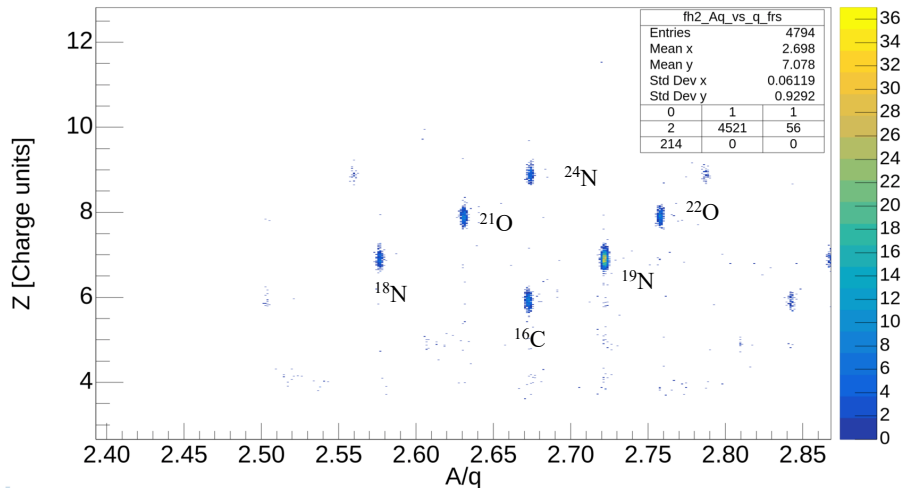
**Identification of radioactive beam and secondary fragment**



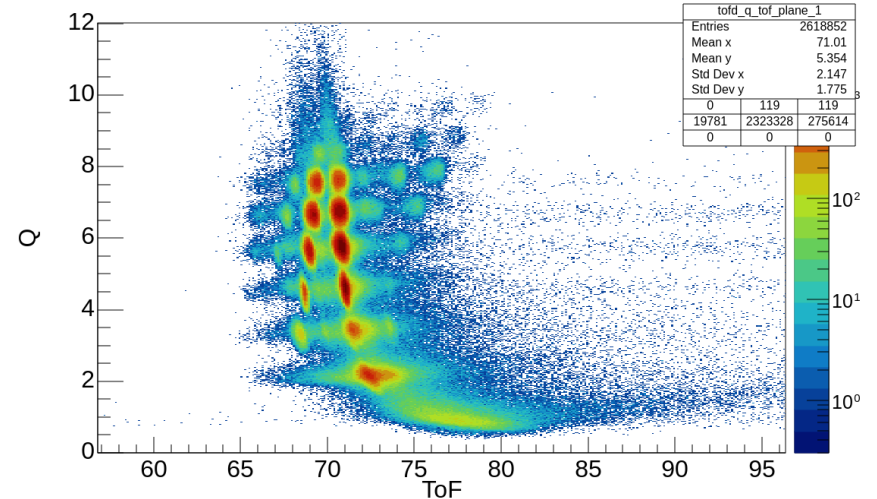


# Example for beam and secondary fragment identification

## Incoming beam PID from FRS (S2-LOS)



## Outgoing beam PID behind GLAD (TOFD)

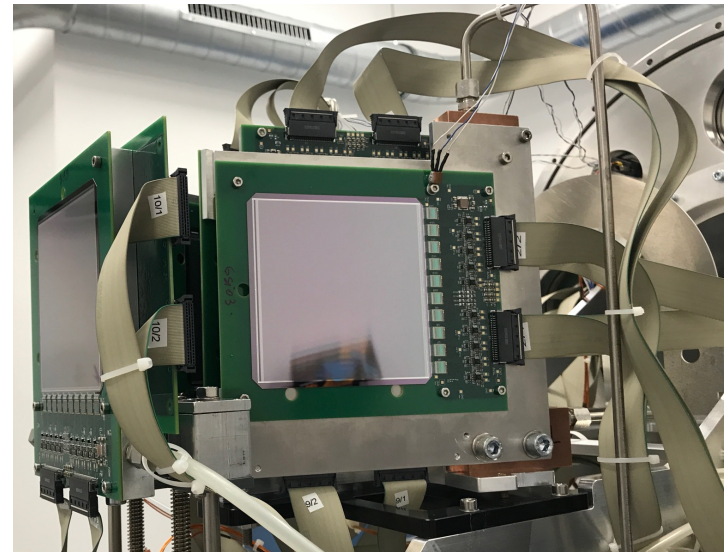
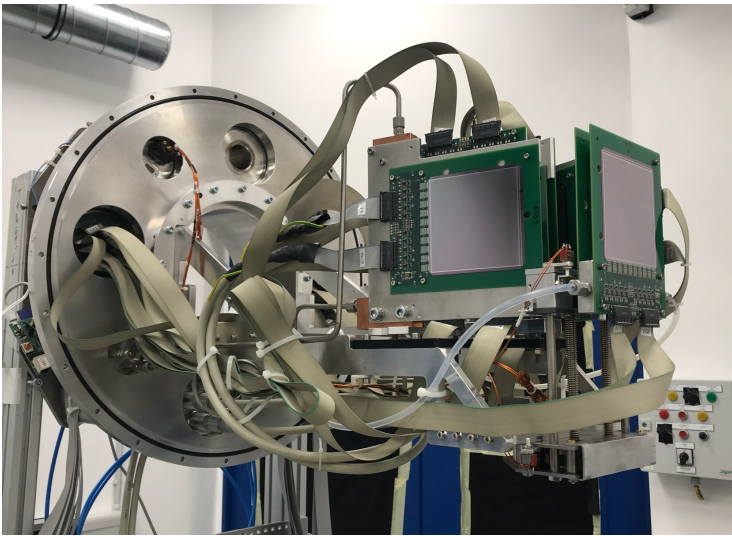


**“Coctail beams”** allow for better use of the available beam intensity. Advantage at 1 GeV/u: **fully-stripped ions**

Many outgoing fragments: identification is crucial for **complete-kinematics experiments**.

Example from S509 in 2022

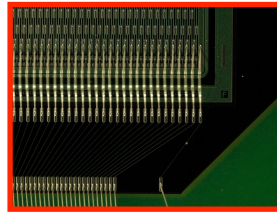
# FOOT: Tracking of beam and reaction products



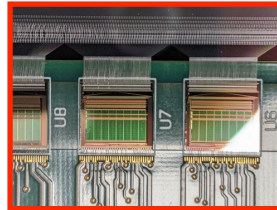
- **HAMAMATSU single-sided sensors, 150  $\mu\text{m}$  thick.**
- **Active area 96 x 96  $\text{cm}^2$ .**
- **Number of readout channels: 640 per detector.**
- **Rates up to 10 kHz.**
- **Water cooling.**

**FOOT:**  
**F**ragmentation **O**f  
**T**arget

# Two-arm FOOT configuration in 2022

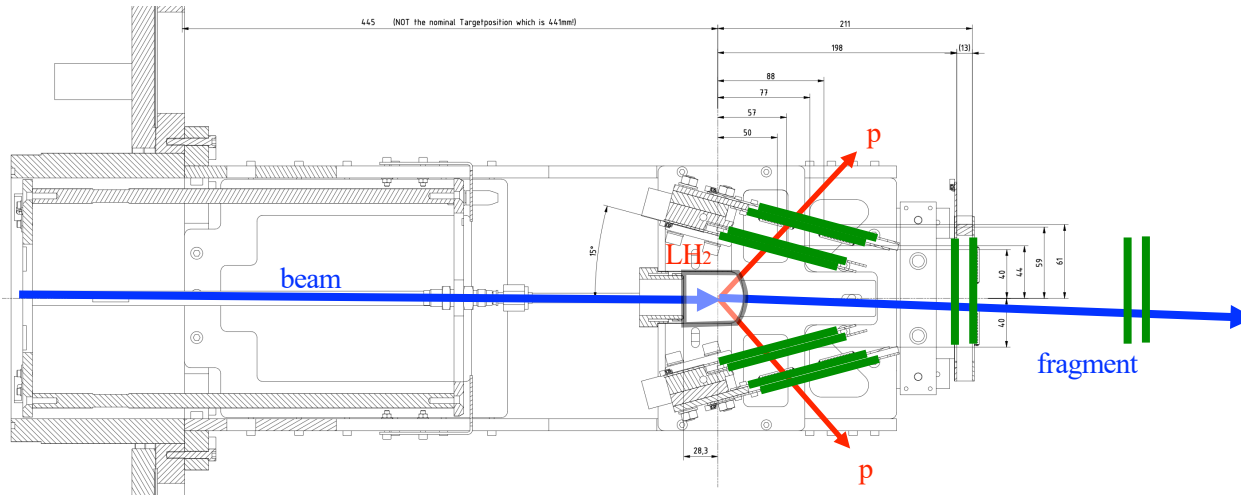
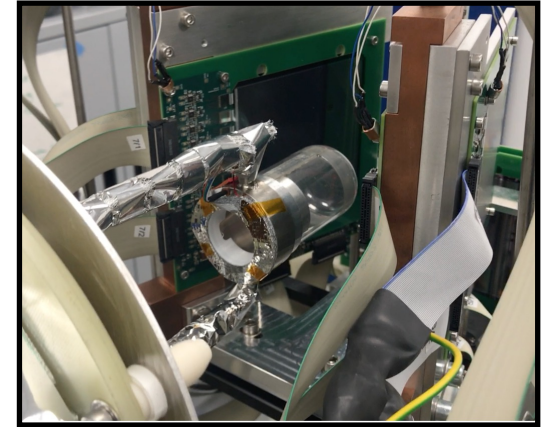


Strip pitch:  
50  $\mu\text{m}$   
Readout pitch:  
150  $\mu\text{m}$



10 charge-sensitive ASICs from IDEAS, Norway

50 mm LH<sub>2</sub> target



From R3BRoot simulations by A. Revel

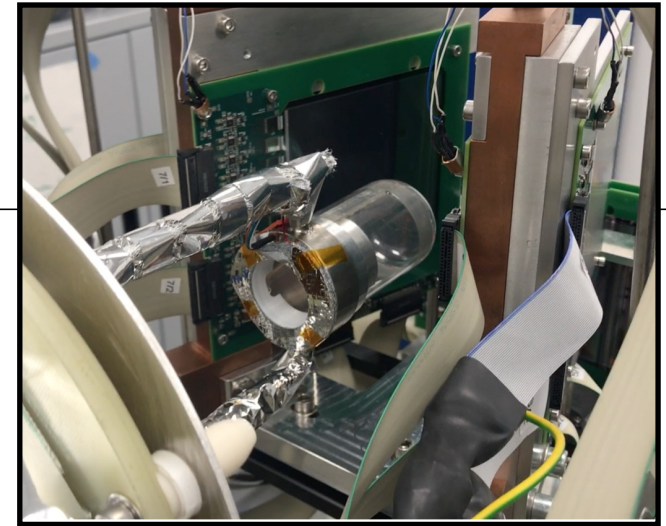
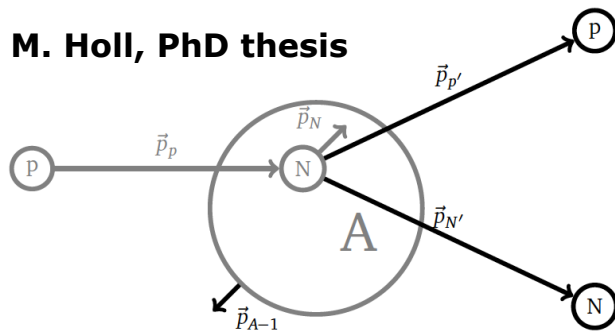
Acc. (p,2p)	20%
Res. Theta	2mrad
Res. Vertex_Z	0,17mm
Res. MissM (p,2p)	4,5MeV
Acc. (p,2pn) $t, u > 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	35%
Res. MissP (p,2pn)	3,8MeV

Engineering by: D. Körper, S. Utz, E. Casarejos



# Quasi-free scattering

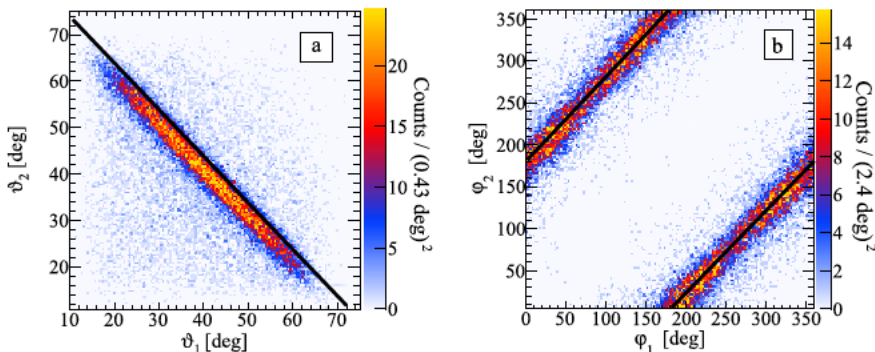
**Quasi-free scattering** is in many ways the "work horse" reaction of R<sup>3</sup>B and many other labs. => **LH<sub>2</sub> target**



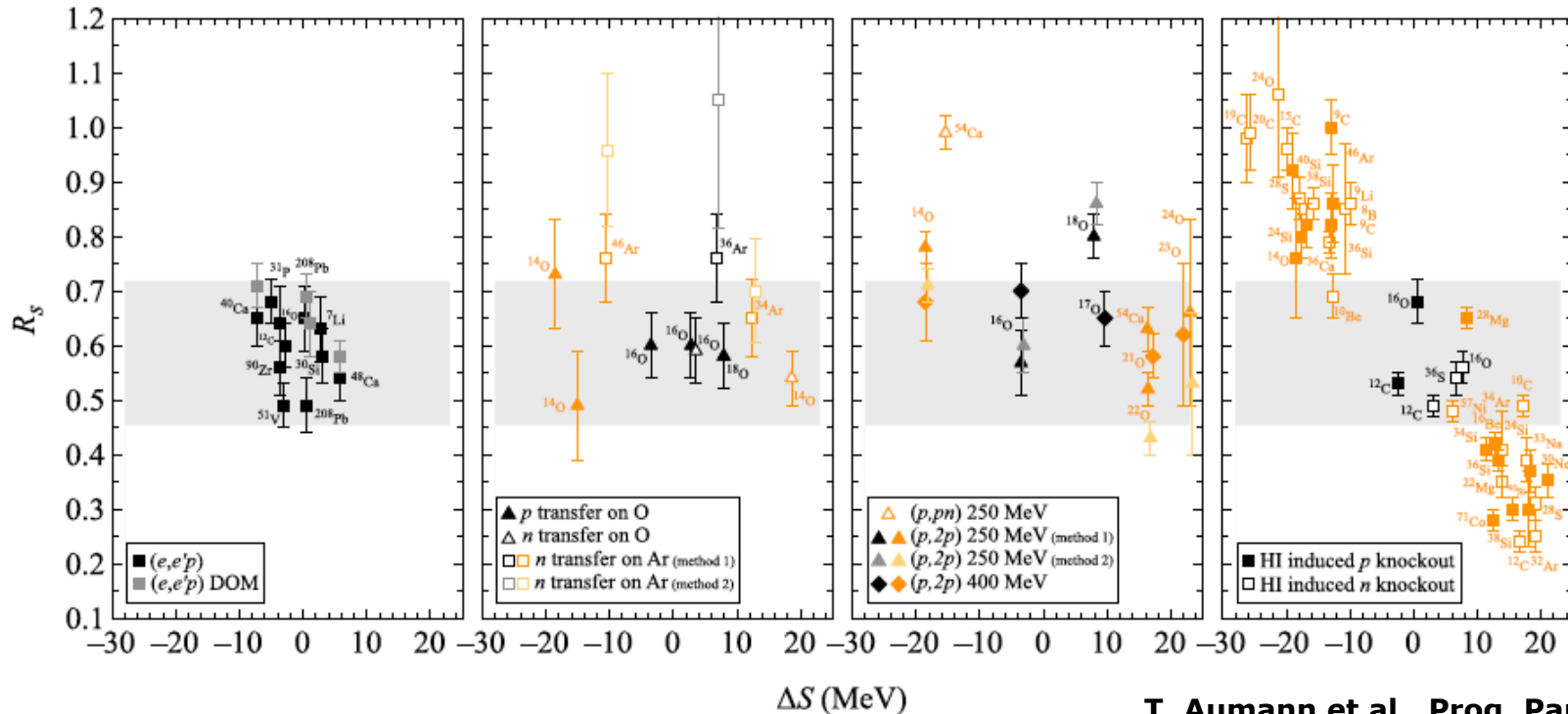
**Idea:**  
**Remove, selectively, one nucleon.**  
**Obtain, e.g. spectroscopic factors; populate a well-defined state.**

**Ensure that multiple scattering is limited -> measure at minimum of nn cross section.**

V. Panin et al., PLB  
753, 204 (2016)



# Quenching of single-particle strength

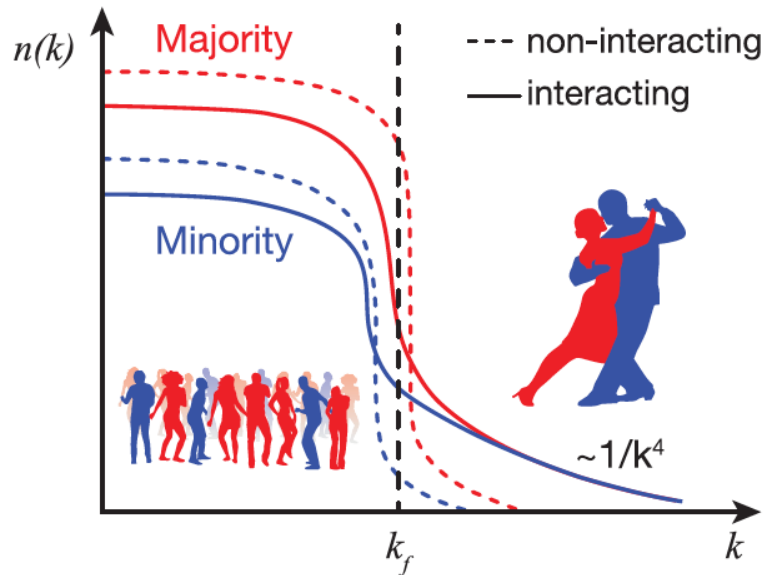


T. Aumann et al., Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 118, 103847 (2021)

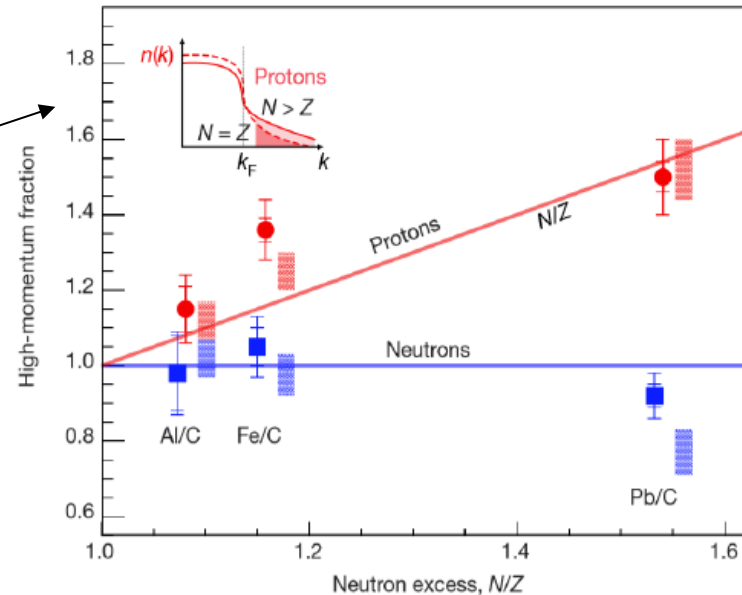
Example for oxygen isotopes.

**Direct reactions and quasi-free scattering,  $(p, 2p)$  or  $(p, pn)$ , show consistently no (or a weak) dependence on the difference of p and n separation energies – in contrast to (inclusive) reactions with HI targets at intermediate energies.**

# Short-range correlations



O. Hen et al., Science 346, 614 (2014)

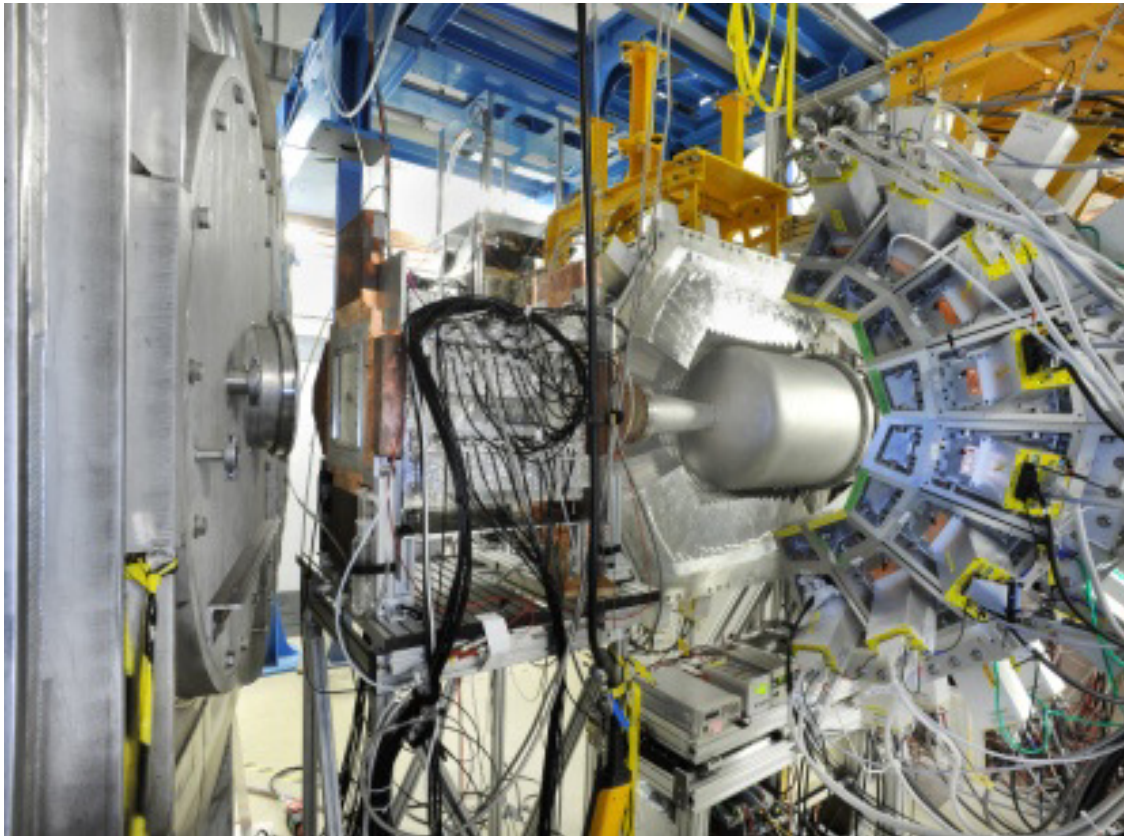
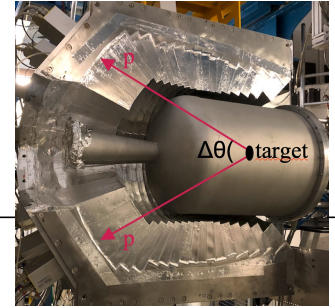


M. Duer et al., Nature 560, 617 (2018)

**Short-range correlations can be probed using  $(p,2pp)$ ,  $(p,2pn)$  reactions over a larger range of isospin.**

# CALIFA - calorimeter

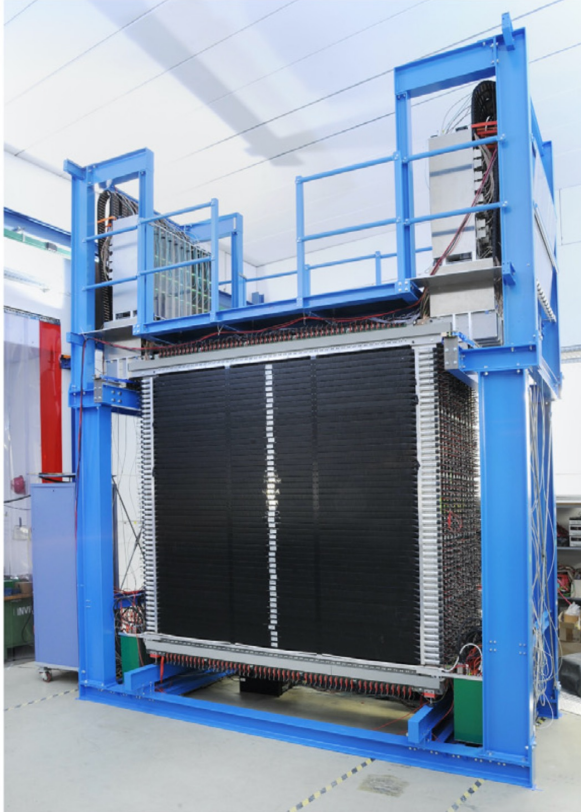
~2500 scintillator crystals (CsI) with APD readout



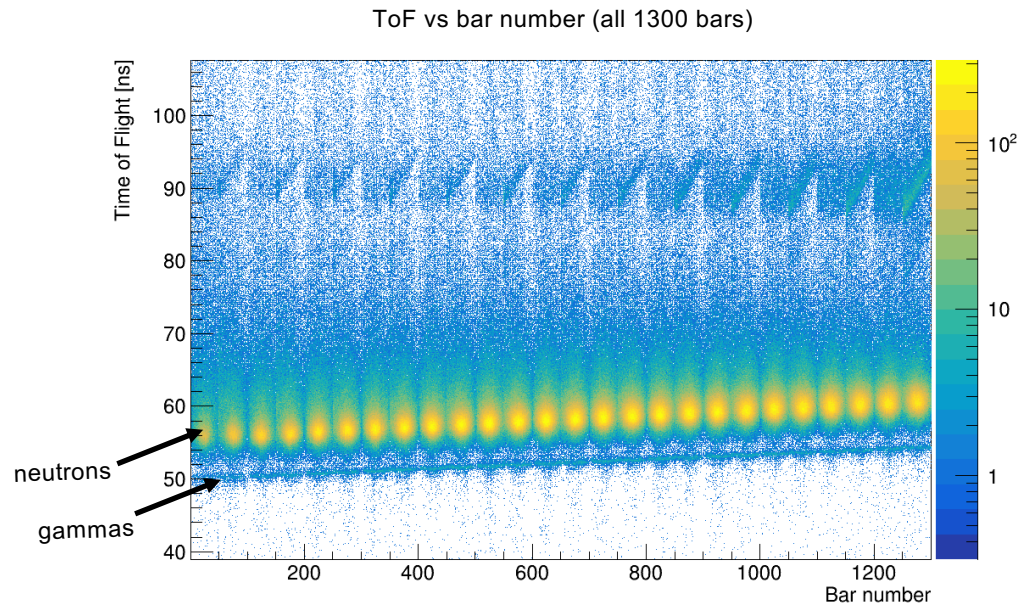
Calorimeter	Intrinsic photopeak efficiency	40% (up to $E_\gamma=15$ MeV projectile frame)
	Gamma sum energy resolution $\Delta(E_\gamma \text{ sum})/\langle E_\gamma \text{ sum} \rangle$	< 10% for 5 $\gamma$ rays of 3 MeV
	Calorimeter for high energy Light charged particles	Up to 320 MeV in lab system
Spectrometer	Gamma energy resolution	~5-6% (FWHM at $E_\gamma=1$ MeV)
	Light charged particles resolution	~2%
	Proton- $\gamma$ ray separation	For 1 to 30 MeV



# NeuLAND (2022)



**13 double planes with 2 x 50 scintillator bars, each**

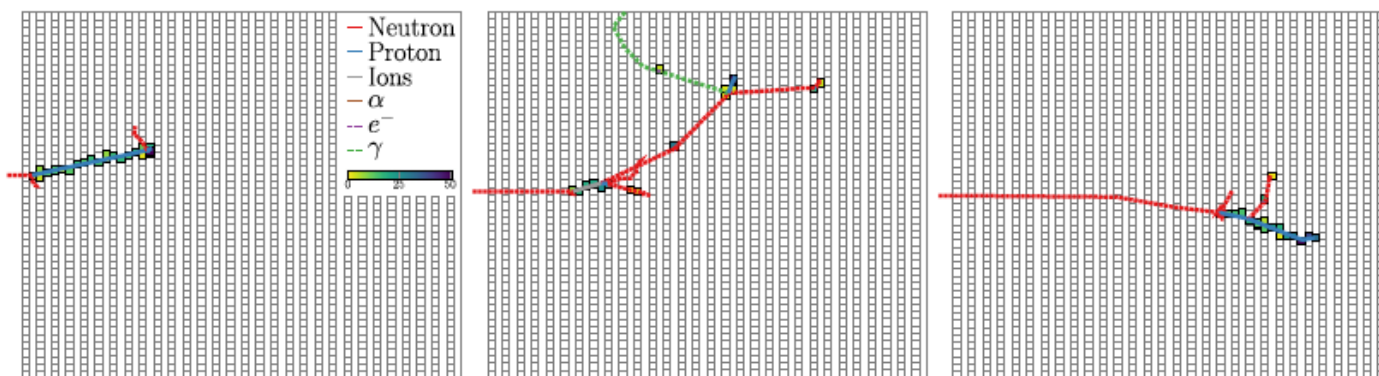


Courtesy of Igor Gasparic

**Able to reconstruct 4-momenta of multiple neutron hits**

# Detecting relativistic neutrons

QGSP_INCLXX_HP			QGSP_BERT_HP		
	Reaction products	[%]		Reaction products	[%]
1	$n+n+p+d+\alpha+\alpha$	7.7	1	$n+p+^{11}\text{B}$	9.8
2	$n+n+n+p+p+\alpha+\alpha$	6.7	2	$n+n+n+p+p+\alpha+\alpha$	9.1
3	$n+p+^{11}\text{B}$	4.9	3	$n+n+^{11}\text{C}$	7.8
4	$n+n+^{11}\text{C}$	4.4	4	$n+n+p+^{10}\text{B}$	4.1
5	$n+n+n+p+p+d+d+\alpha$	2.7	5	$n+n+p+d+\alpha+\alpha$	4.0
6	$n+\alpha+\alpha+\alpha$	2.3	6	$n+\alpha+\alpha+\alpha$	3.3
7	$n+p+\alpha+^7\text{Li}$	2.2	7	$n+p+^{11}\text{C}+\pi^-$	2.6
8	$n+n+p+\alpha+^6\text{Li}$	2.0	8	$n+n+p+p+p+\alpha+\alpha+\pi^-$	2.1
9	$n+n+p+^{10}\text{B}$	1.8	9	$n+^{12}\text{C}$	1.7
10	$n+n+n+n+p+p+p+d+\alpha$	1.8	10	$n+n+n+n+p+p+p+d+\alpha$	1.4



K. Boretzky et al.,  
NIM A1014,  
165705 (2021)

**Many open reaction channels**, typically not all energy is deposited in the first interaction => measure neutron **ToF**, **deposited energy** and **all hits** within the volume to extract the neutron multiplicity.

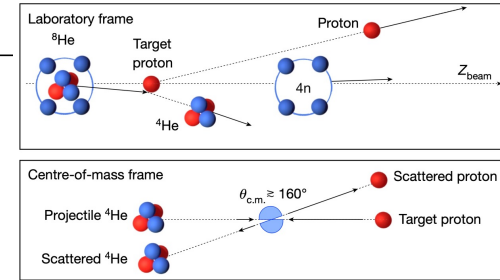
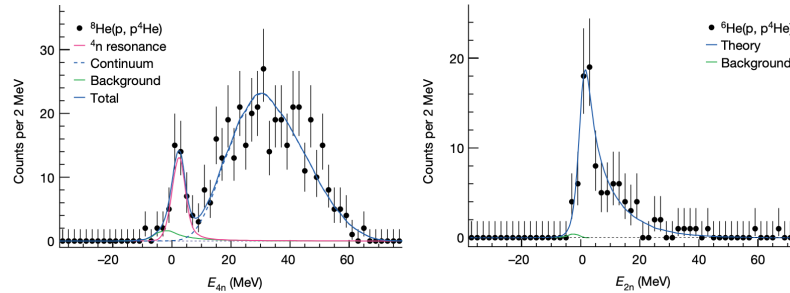
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$$E_r = 2.37 \pm 0.38(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.44(\text{sys.}) \text{ MeV,}$$

$$\Gamma = 1.75 \pm 0.22(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.30(\text{sys.}) \text{ MeV.}$$



- Studying 4n system at SAMURAI in RIKEN
  - With NeuLAND demonstrator (only 4 double planes)
  - 4n detection efficiency < 1%
  - Indirect observation through missing-mass measurements
- Possibility to study 4n at R3B using full NeuLAND
  - 4n efficiency > 30% with 13 DP (>70% with 30 DP)
  - Direct observation of 4n is possible combining invariant-mass and missing-mass measurements

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#### 4n detection efficiencies with 12 double-planes

200 MeV	generated				
	1	2	3	4	5
0	41	16	6	2	
1	<b>51</b>	39	22	11	
2	8	<b>33</b>	34	25	
3	0	11	<b>28</b>	32	
4	0	0	10	<b>31</b>	

#### 4n detection efficiencies with 30 double-planes

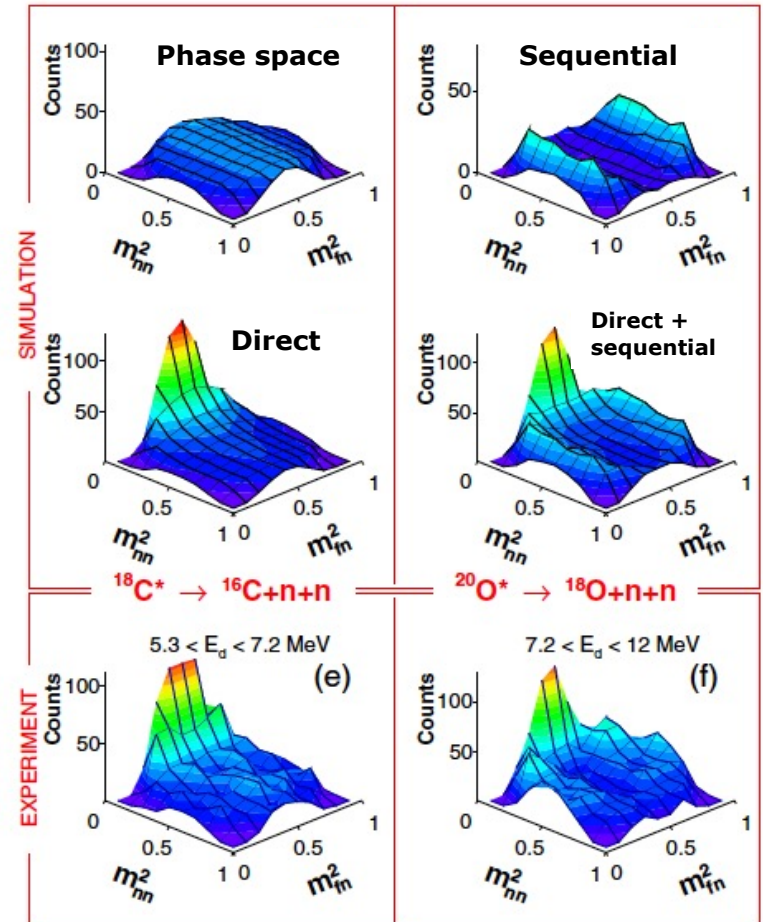
200 MeV	Generated				
	1	2	3	4	5
0	7	0	0	0	
1	<b>90</b>	28	5	1	
2	3	<b>58</b>	24	5	
3	0	13	<b>48</b>	22	
4	0	0	23	<b>72</b>	

# N-n correlations

Use (p,2p) reactions to **remove deeply bound protons**.  
As a result 2 neutrons can end up in the continuum.

Study the 2 neutron decay: are there correlations?

A. Revel et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 152504 (2018)





# The R<sup>3</sup>B setup in Phase-0\*

S444 Detection system commissioning

S467 Single-particle structure of Ca isotopes

Test runs with proton and <sup>208</sup>Pb beams

S455 Fission studies @R3B (next talk by Jose Benlliure)

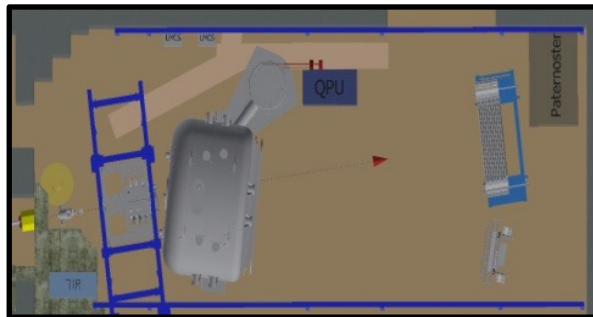
S515 Constraining energy-density functionals and the density-dependence of the symmetry energy

S494 Coulomb dissociation of <sup>16</sup>O into <sup>12</sup>C and <sup>4</sup>He.

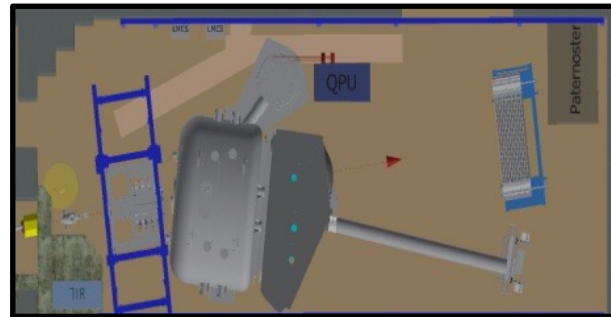
Test run with <sup>12</sup>C beam

S522 First characterization of Short-Range Correlations in exotic nuclei

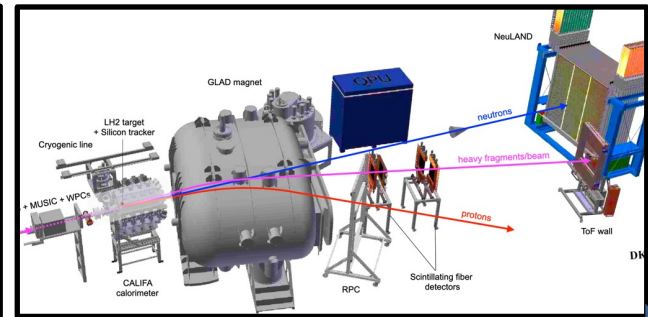
S509 Study of multi-neutron correlations in drip-line nuclei.



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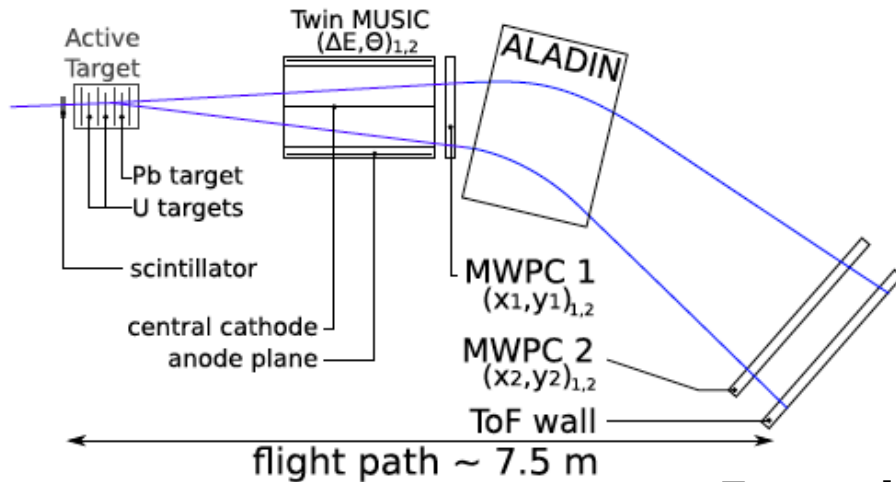
- CALIFA Barrel
- NeuLAND 8 double-planes
- SOFIA tracking detectors
- R3BMusic
- Solid targets (CH<sub>2</sub>, Pb, C)

- CALIFA iPHOS
- NeuLAND 12 double-planes
- New fiber detectors
- AMS silicon trackers
- 15 mm LH2 target, solid targets

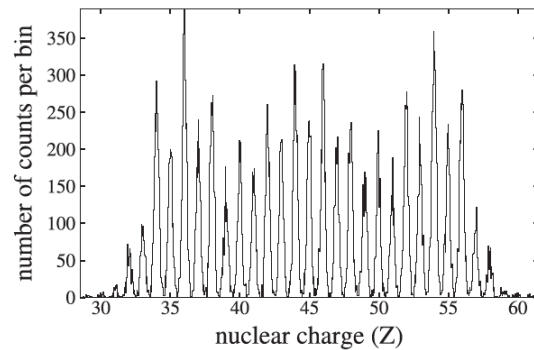
- NeuLand 13 double planes
- RPC behind GLAD
- New FOOT silicon trackers
- 50 mm LH2 target

**\* Phase-0 refers to experiments using FAIR detector systems but at the GSI accelerator facility**

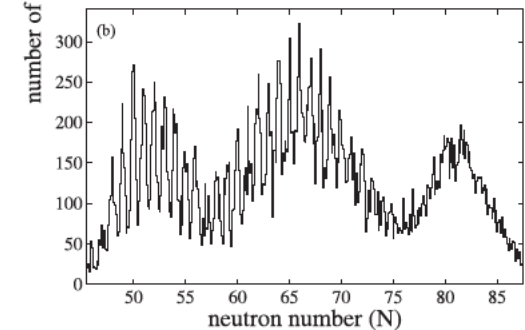
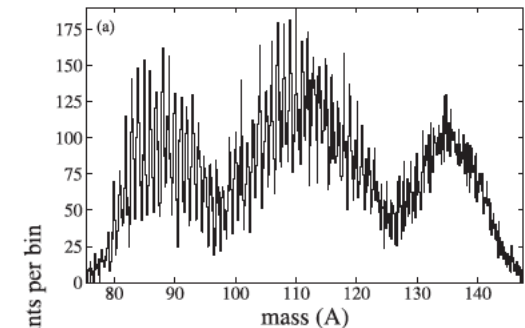
# SOFIA\* – Fission studies at R<sup>3</sup>B



Fission in inverse kinematics is induced by **e.m interaction** with a U (Pb) target or with **(p, 2pf)** using the LH<sub>2</sub> target.



Examples for **fission of <sup>226</sup>Th. A and Z of both fission fragments are measured in coincidence.**



**\*Studies On Fission with ALADIN**

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# Conclusions

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- R<sup>3</sup>B investigates **reactions of unstable beams** at relativistic energies in complete kinematics.
- This requires **separated radioactive beams** from the FRS or Super-FRS.
- The setup is very **versatile**.
- A **broad physics program** includes studies of the evolution of nuclear shell structure, short-range correlations, nuclear fission ....
- A **unique set of detectors** allows for those studies.
- **High secondary beam energies** are often mandatory.