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The committee finds that there are interesting results which could be learned from this experiment especially with regard to the E0 state of ^{82}Sr to which the previously performed Coulomb Excitation measurements is insensitive.

This measurement would be important by itself but also to allow for a proper analysis of the Coulex work.

Regarding ^{80}Sr the committee feels that previous measurements did not indicate the presence of an E0 state and the study of this isotope is of less apparent interest.

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Letter of Clarification for P-586 to the ISOLDE and Neutron Time-of-Flight Committee

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Could the advantage that ISOLDE presents over these facilities be clarified by the collaboration?

- i) a uniquely versatile and superior array (betas, LaBr₃, clovers, SPEDE), ii) a dedicated experiment aimed at the study of 0^+ states,
- iii) pure beams that result in cleaner spectra over fusion-evaporation reactions ($^{32}\text{Si} + \text{nat}\text{Ni}$)
- iv) Large Q value

The production of Y beams has been observed at the booster but it is possible that the yields of $^{82,80}\text{Y}$ could be substantially lower. The committee recommends 3 shifts be awarded for beam development.

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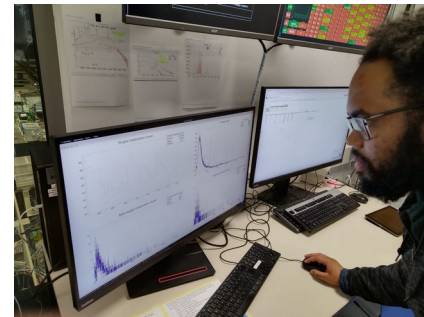
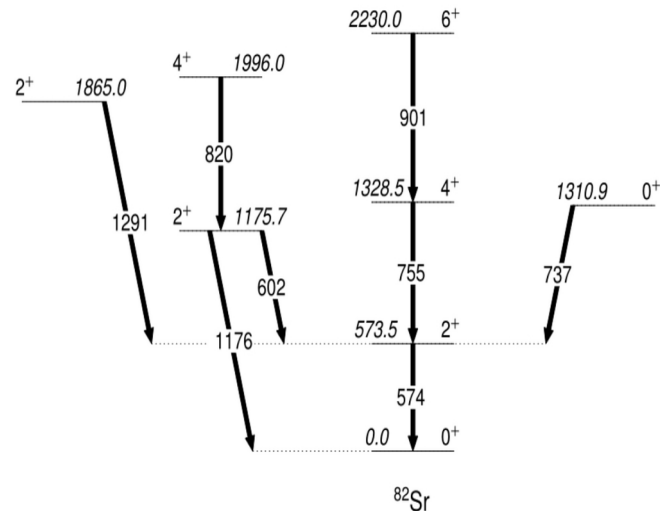
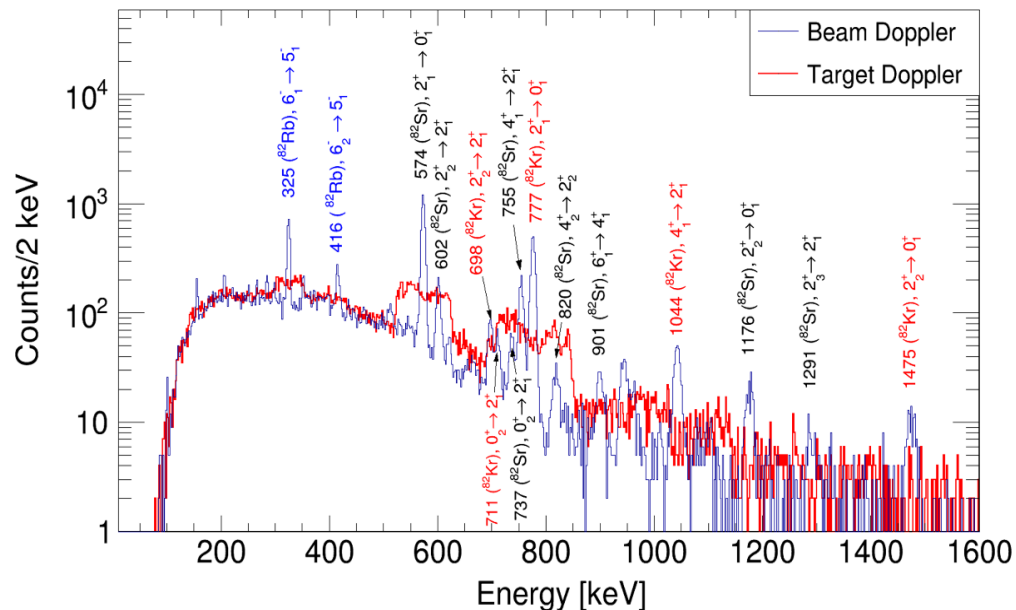
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IS694 Yields Measurements 11-13 Nov 2024

Summary of measured yields (molecular beams) with Nb foil target with CF₄ leak and hot plasma ion source

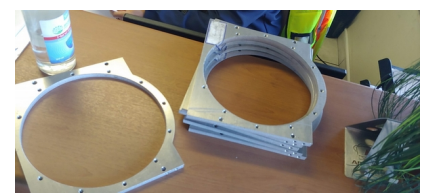
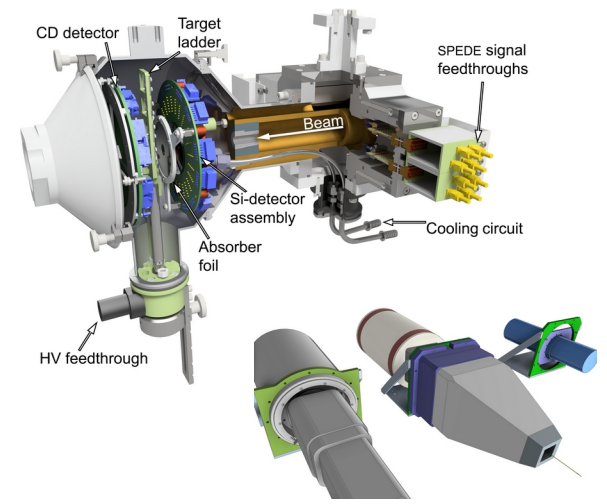
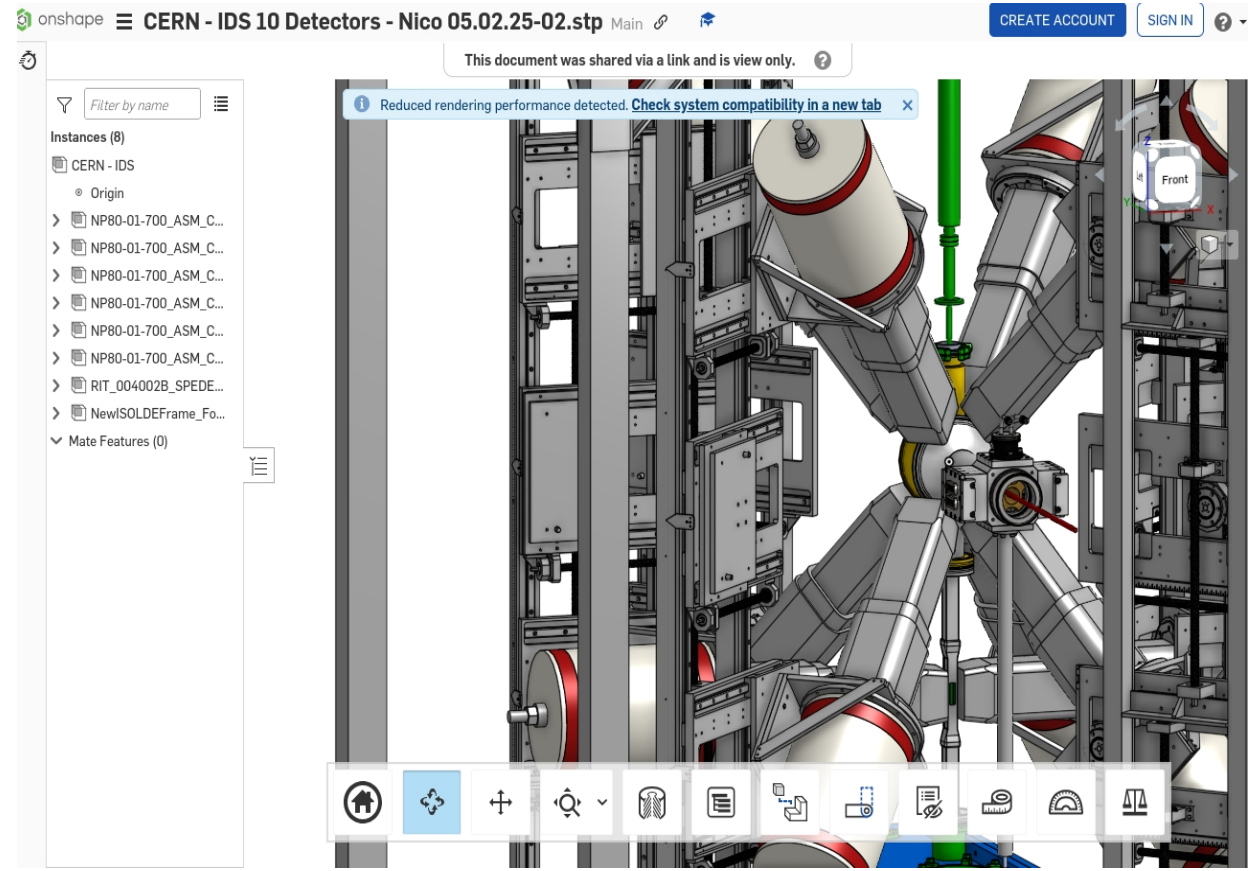
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$^{89}\text{YF}_3$	7.7×10^1	—

- Second 0^+ state @ 1.311 MeV populated
- Excitations up to the 6^+ yrast state @ 2.23 MeV
- ^{82}Kr and ^{82}Rb contaminants



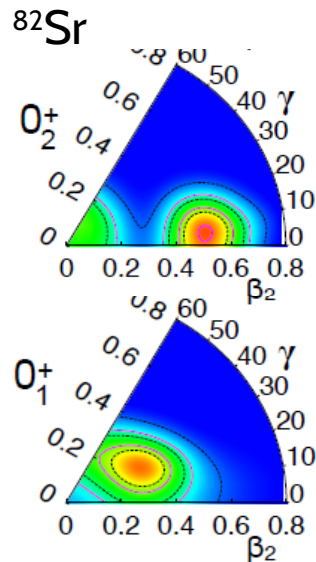
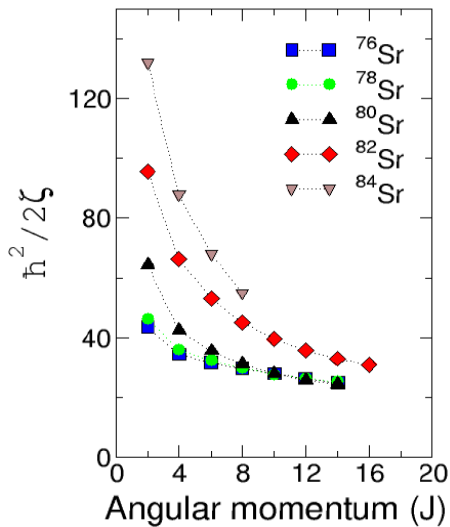
MSc thesis (Manfred Jaftha, UWC)

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Setup configuration for Nov 2024 Yields Measurements



Credit: Shaun Hendricks & IDS Collaboration

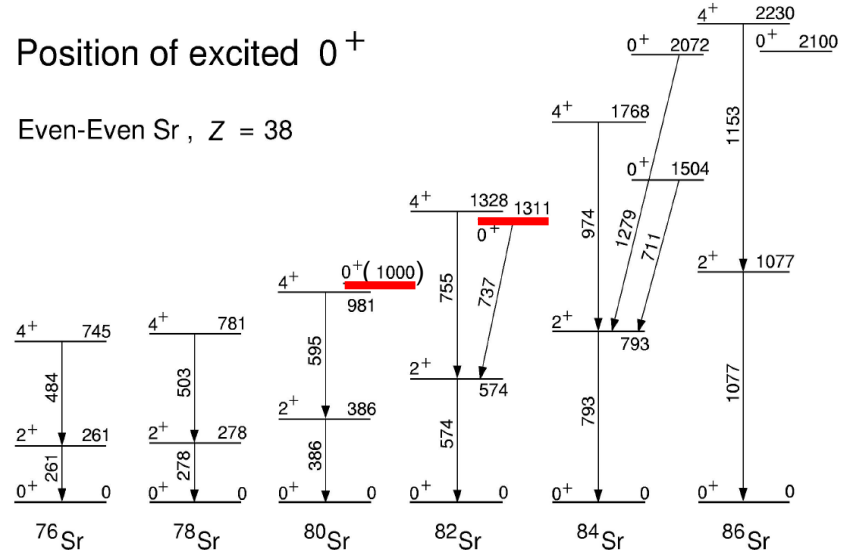
- The existence of low-lying excited 0^+ states has been associated with shape coexistence \rightarrow anomalously high excitation energy of 2^+ states
- Triaxial ground state, but prolate first excitation predicted by collective wave functions
- The identification of these 0^+ states (together with $\rho^2(E0)$) and bands built on them will be used to investigate shape mixing at low spins.



T. Rodriguez (2020)

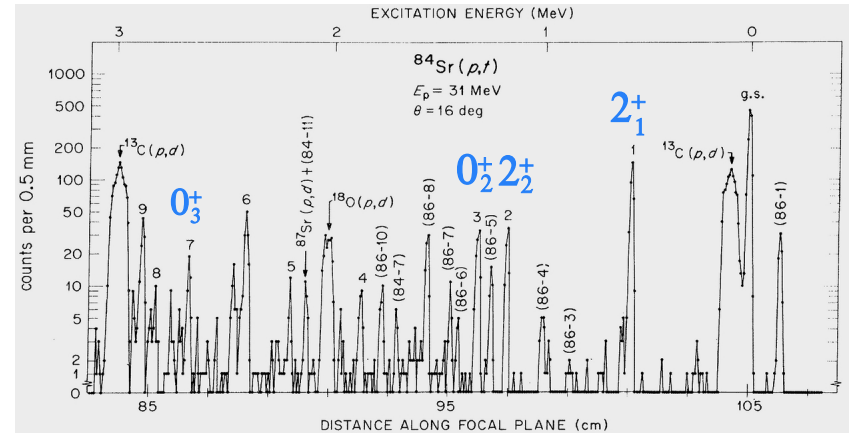
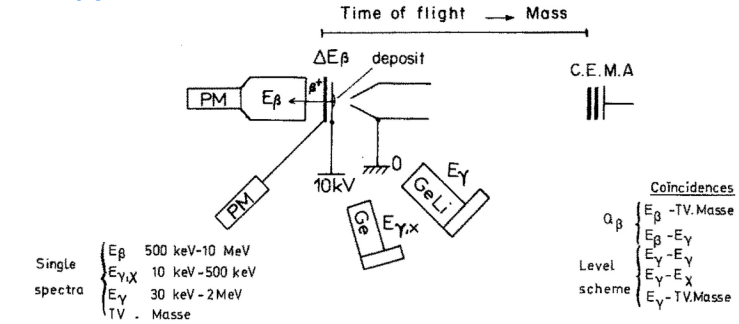
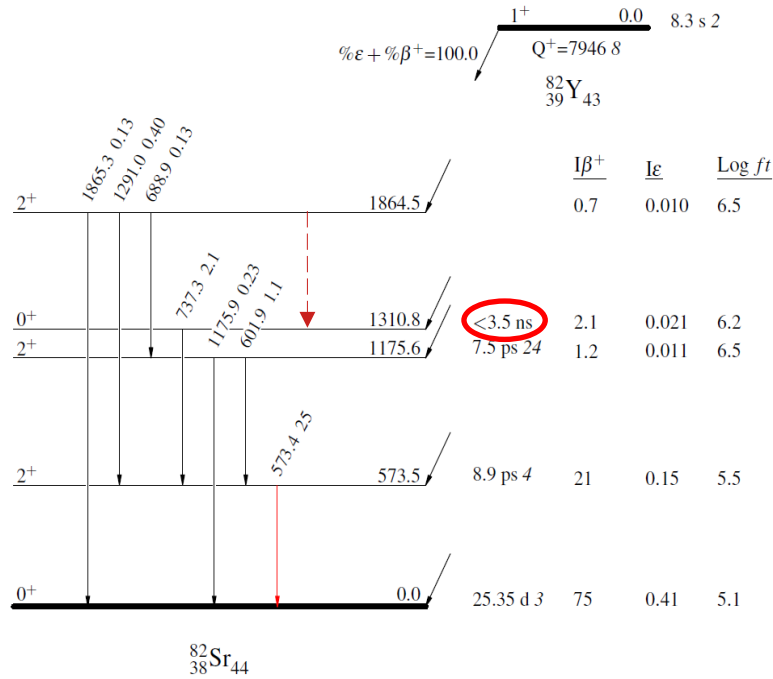
Position of excited 0^+

Even-Even Sr, $Z = 38$



J. Döring *et al.*, Res. Natl. Inst. Stand. Technol. **105**, 43 (2000)

- In ^{82}Sr , the 0_2^+ state is populated by the 1^+ ground state of ^{82}Y (also observed in (p,t) reaction) with a combined β^+ /EC feeding intensensity of 2.121%

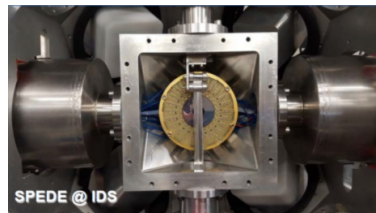
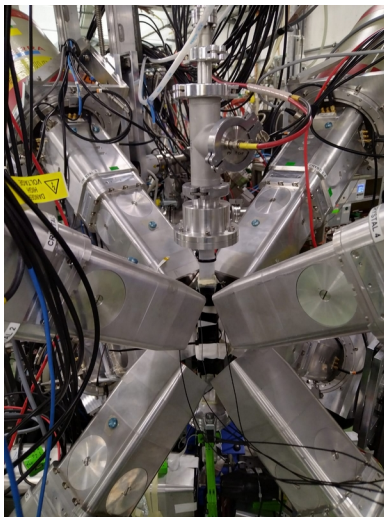


M. Oinonen *et al.*, Nucl. Instr. Meth. **A416** 485 (1998)
Previous measurements using fusion-evaporation

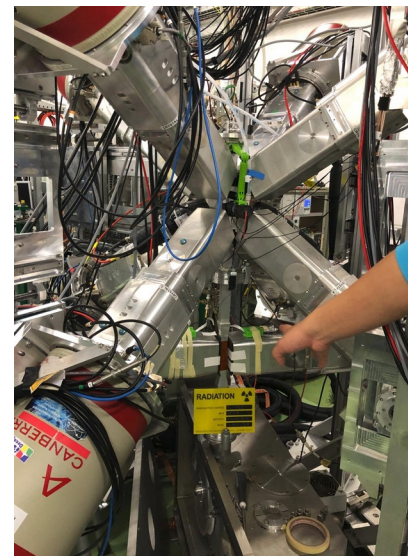
J. B. Ball *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **8**, 1438 (1973)

To populate low-lying states in $^{80,82}\text{Sr}$ via β^+/EC decay of $^{80,82}\text{Y}$ using IDS with two measurement positions

1. The **implantation** position with 8 clovers for γ - γ coincidences and angular correlations (next time: SPEDE, the conversion electron spectrometer, to measure the $E0$ electrons and $E0$ strengths)



2. The **decay** position with 2 clovers, 2 LaBr₃ and 1 beta detectors to measure lifetimes using β - γ_{Ge} - γ_{LaBr} coincidences



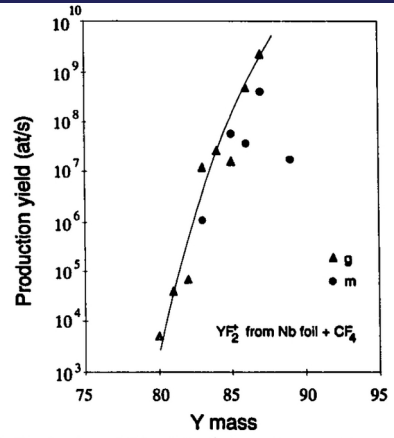
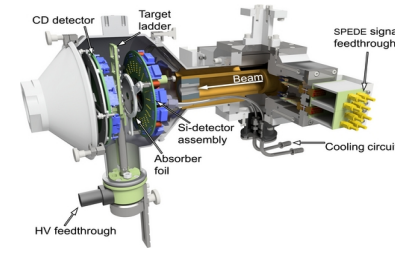


Fig. 3. Production yields of YF_2^+ ions from a 47 g/cm^2 Nb foil target equipped with a W surface ionizer and a CF_4 leak (g = ground state, m = isomer). Irradiation: 600 MeV protons.

Original Proposal (expected yields)

Isotope	Half-life	Yield [ions/s]	$\beta\text{-}\gamma\text{Ge}\text{-}\gamma\text{Ge}$ [counts/shift]	$\beta\text{-}\gamma\text{Ge}\text{-}\gamma\text{LaBr}$ [counts/shift]	$0_2^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+$ K E0 e ⁻ [counts/shift]	$2_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$ K E0 e ⁻ [counts/shift]	# of shifts
^{80}Y	4.8(3) s	1×10^4	$\sim 2 \times 10^2$	$\sim 1 \times 10^2$	40	3×10^3	9
^{82}Y	8.3(2) s	1×10^5	4×10^4	1×10^4	140	9×10^4	6

R. Eder *et al.*, Nucl. Instr. Meth. B 62 535 (1992)



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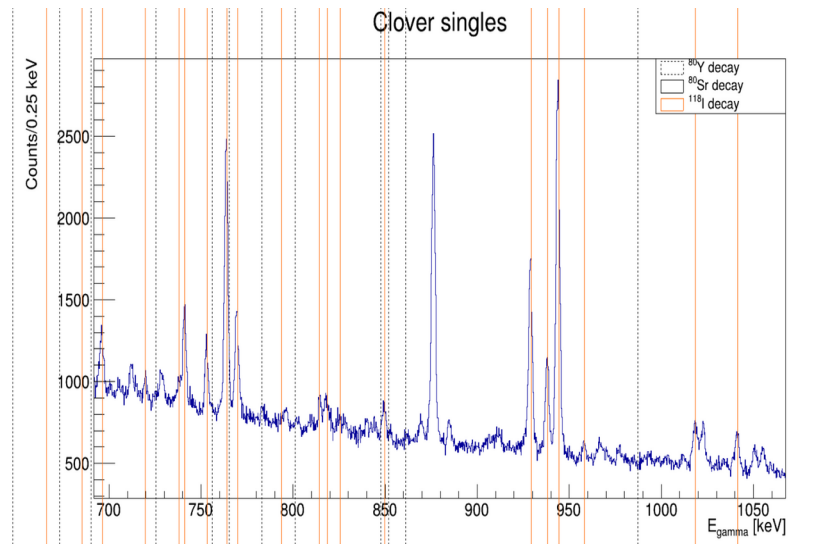
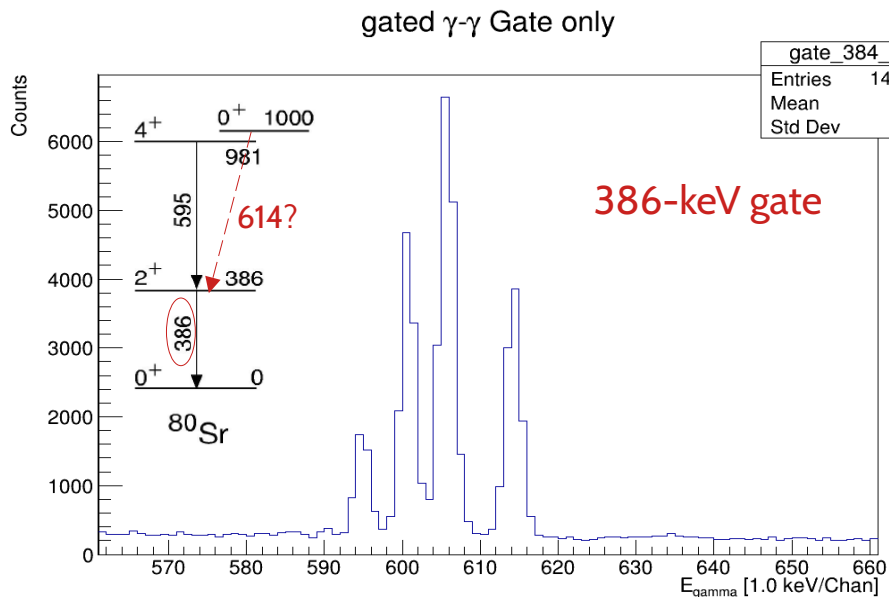
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Final Estimates with SPEDE (measured yields)

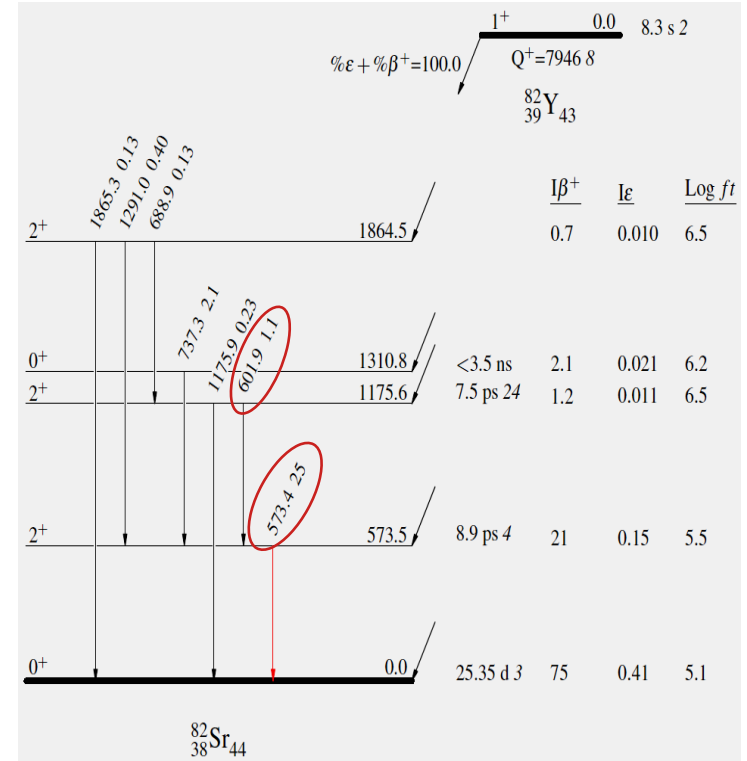
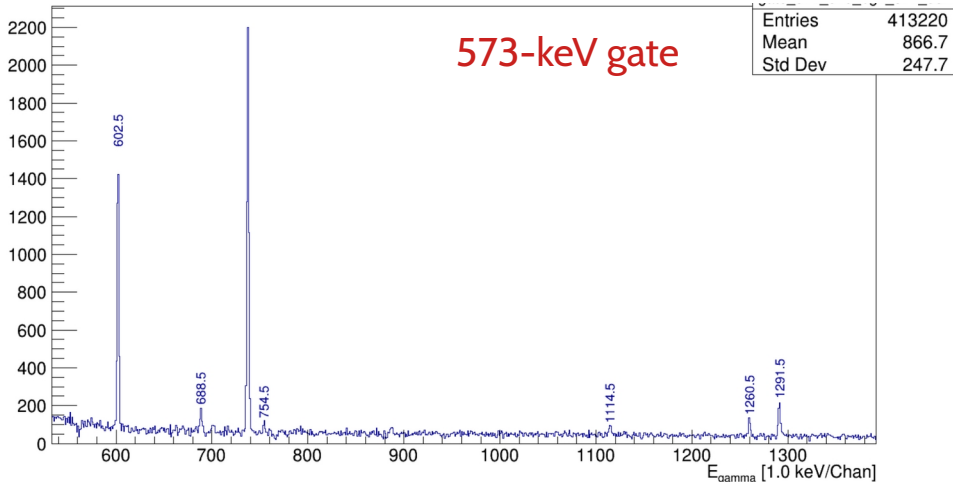
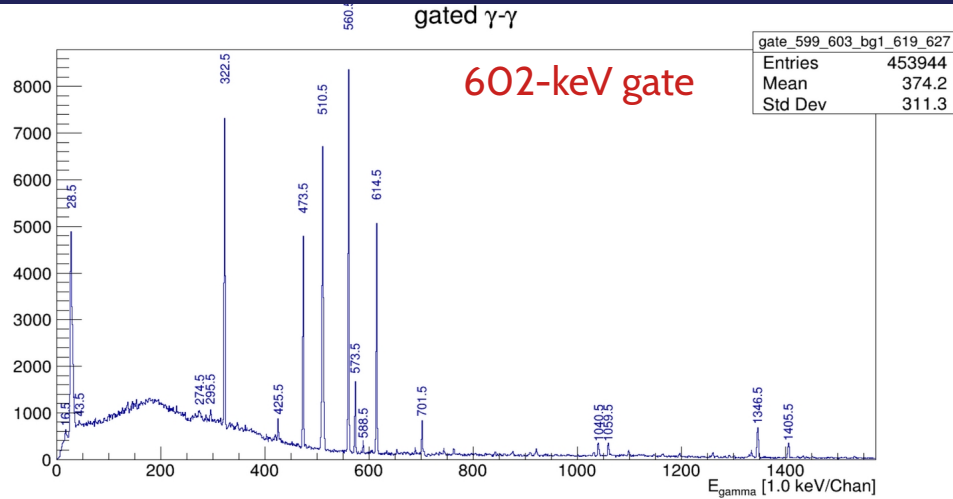
Table 2: New count estimates and number of shifts for $1.6 \mu\text{A}$ average proton current.

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^{82}Y	8.3(2) s	3.5×10^4	2.8×10^4	7×10^3	50	3.2×10^4	15

- 6x less ^{80}Y yields than expected. High yields for ^{84}Y -> new interesting case
- Plus A=118 contaminants in the region of interest possibly arising from spallation reaction in the Ta container. A Mo container could be considered (Ulli Koester).
- We shall focus on ^{82}Y



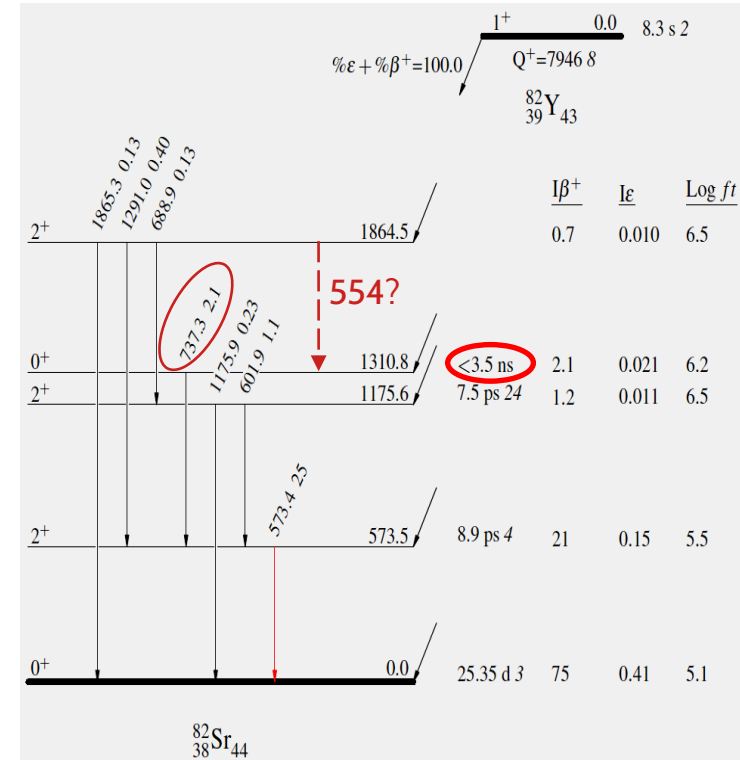
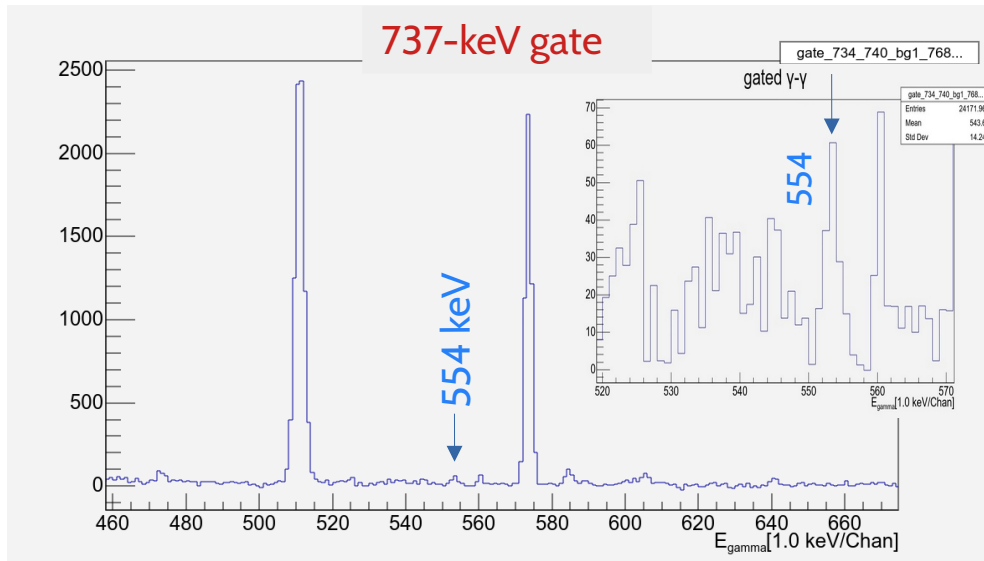
The orange lines are the ^{118}I gamma energies from NNDC



Estimated yield of 2.31×10^4 ions/ μC with $^{82}\text{YF}_2$

If SPEDE not available → 9 shifts aimed at angular correlations+lifetimes+new transitions (very large Q value!)

- Angular correlations of 737-573 keV cascade serve as demo for $0^+ \rightarrow 2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ assignment
- Measure lifetime of 0_2^+ state via beta-LaBr(737)-Ge(573)
- Look for yet unknown 554 keV transition from $2_3^+ \rightarrow 0_2^+$
- Search for 0_3^+ band at ~2.665 MeV?





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