



Emission Mössbauer Spectroscopy at ISOLDE/CERN

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Outline

- Experimental setup at ISOLDE
- Brief on the Mössbauer spectroscopy technique
- Examples and Results
- Future/ongoing measurements

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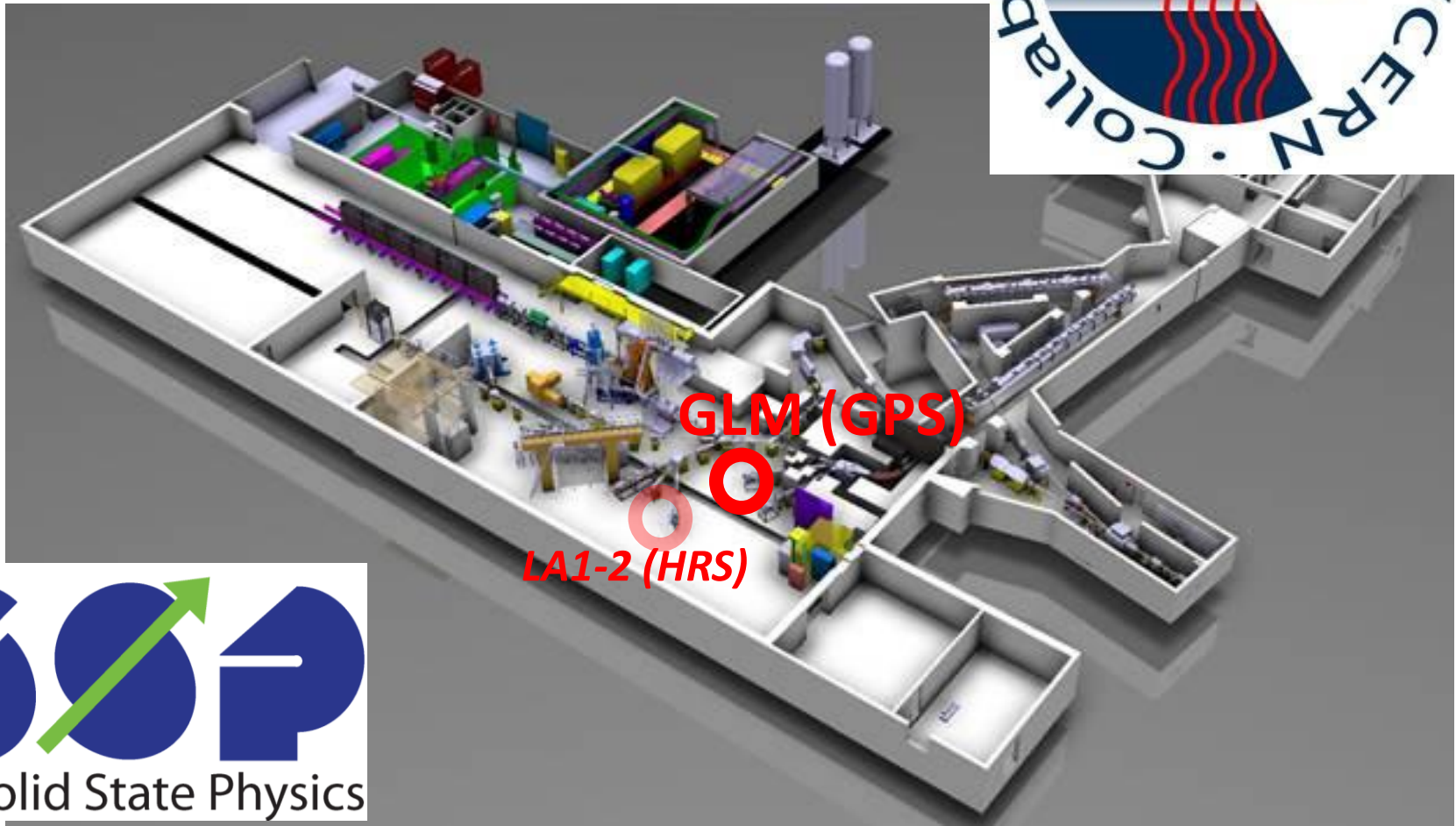


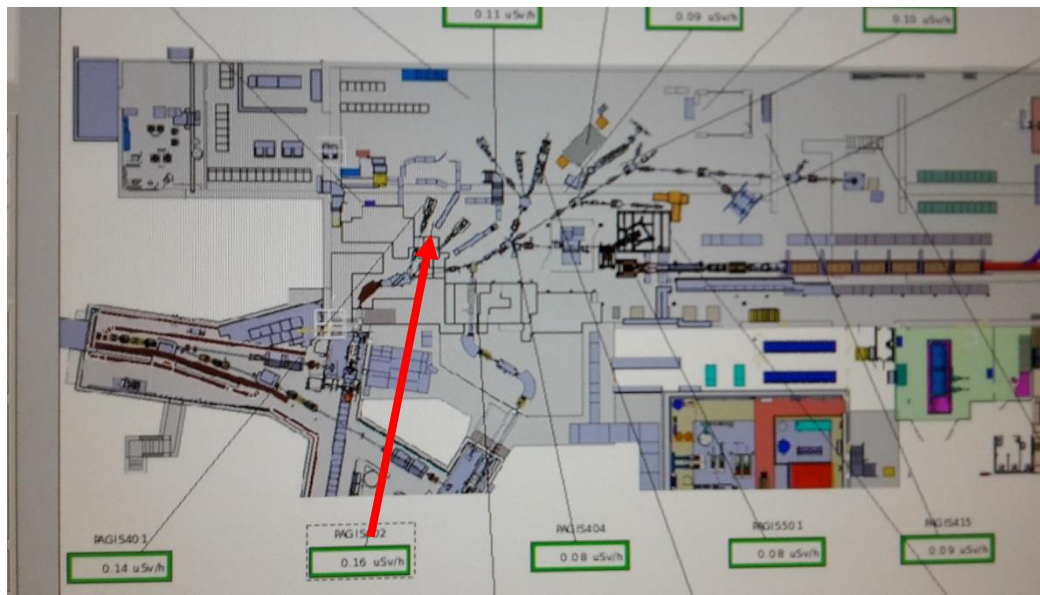
The Mössbauer collaboration at ISOLDE/CERN, **>30 active members** with new members (2014) from China, Russia, Bulgaria, Austria, Spain: Four experiments (IS-501, IS-576, IS-578, I-161)



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<http://e-ms.web.cern.ch/>

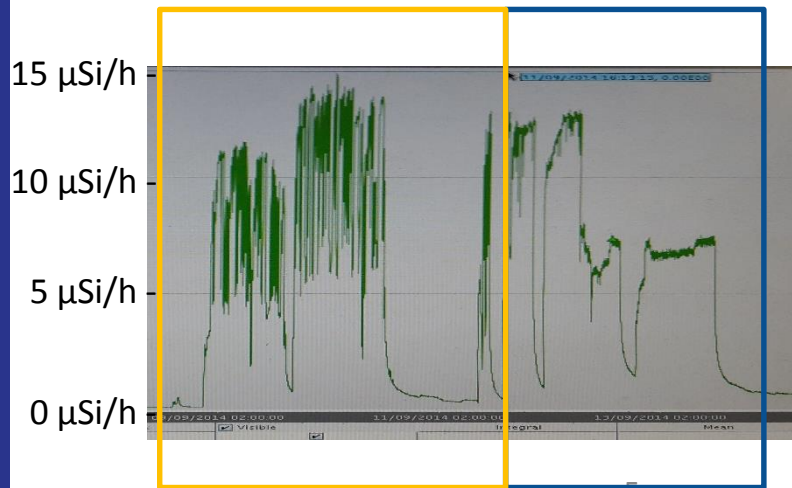




2014

^{57}Mn
RILIS

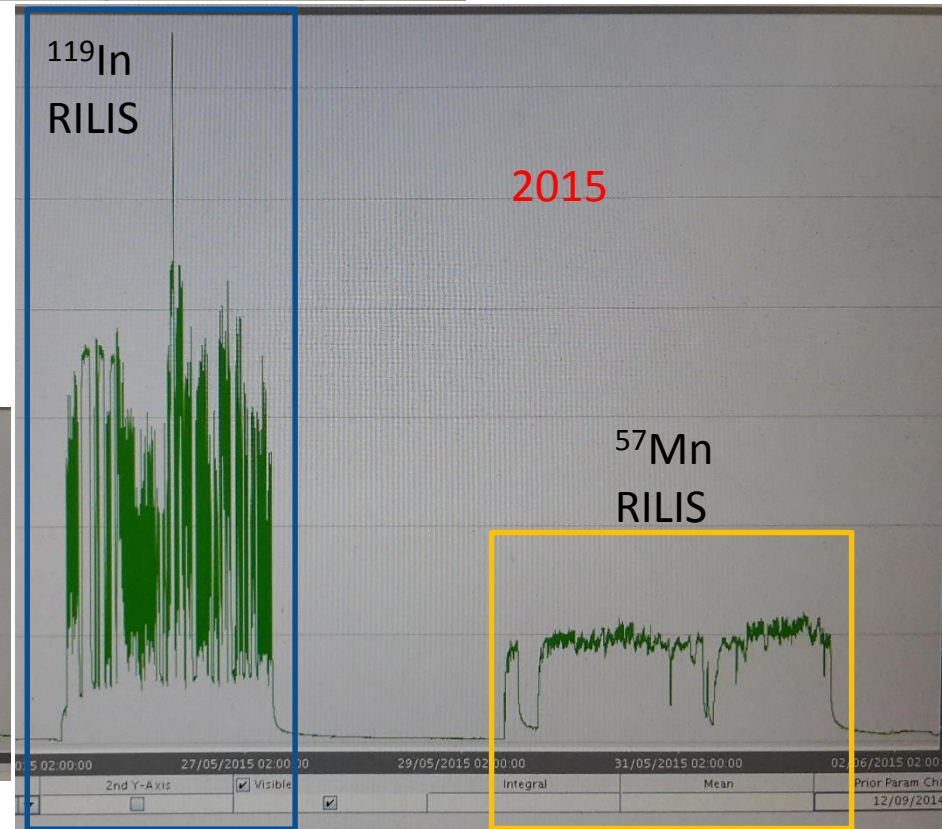
^{119}In



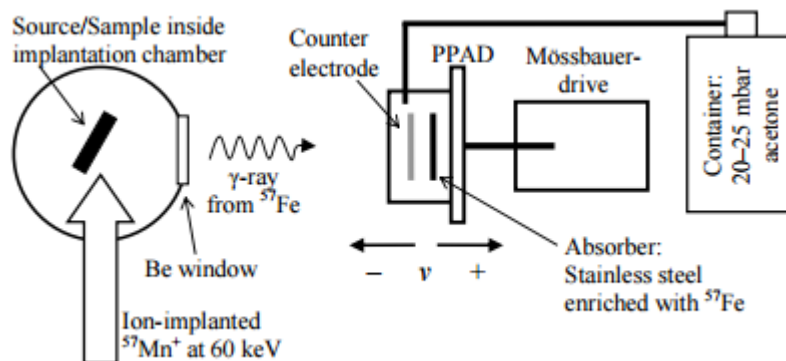
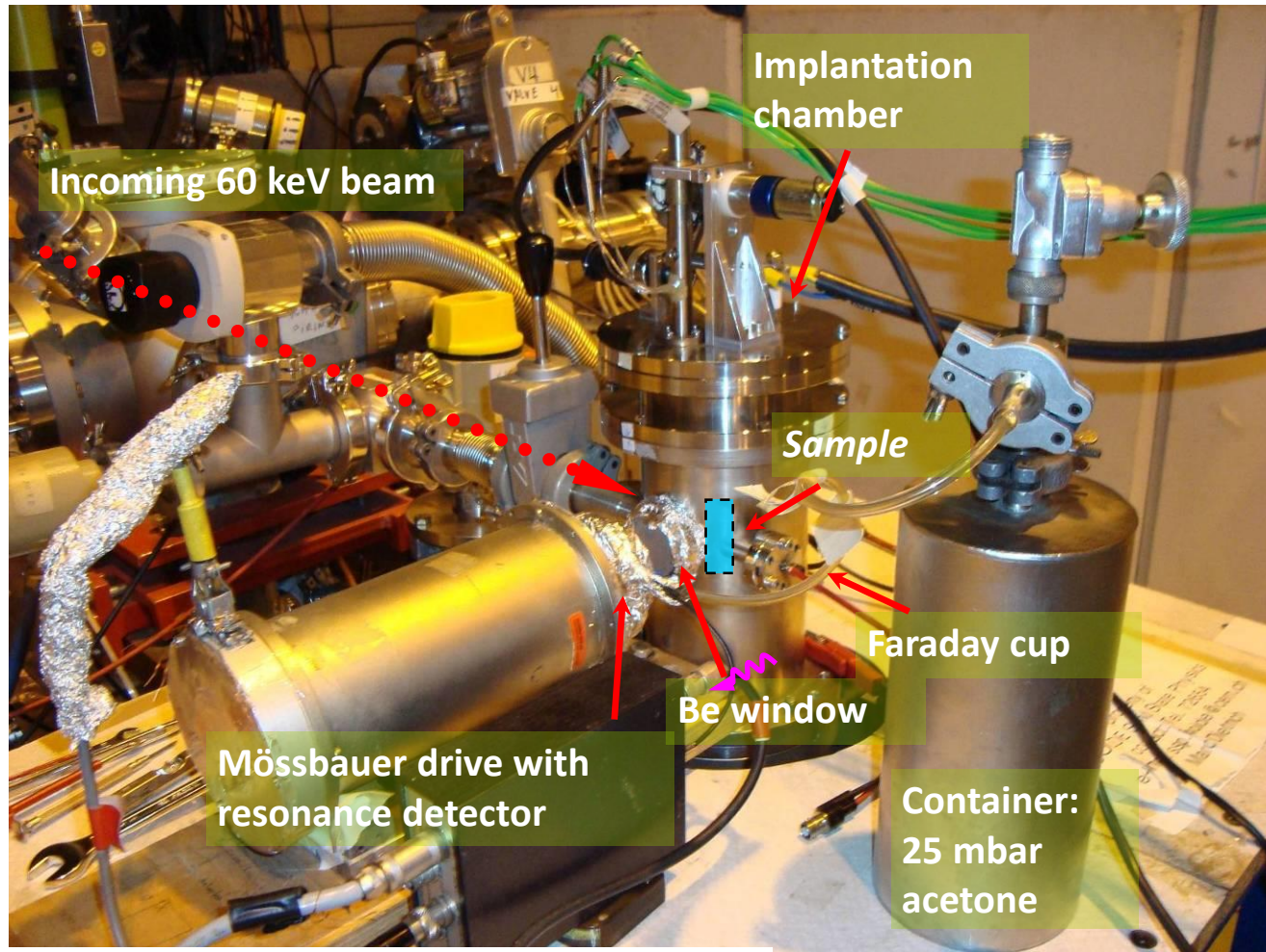
2015

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Mössbauer Experimental setup

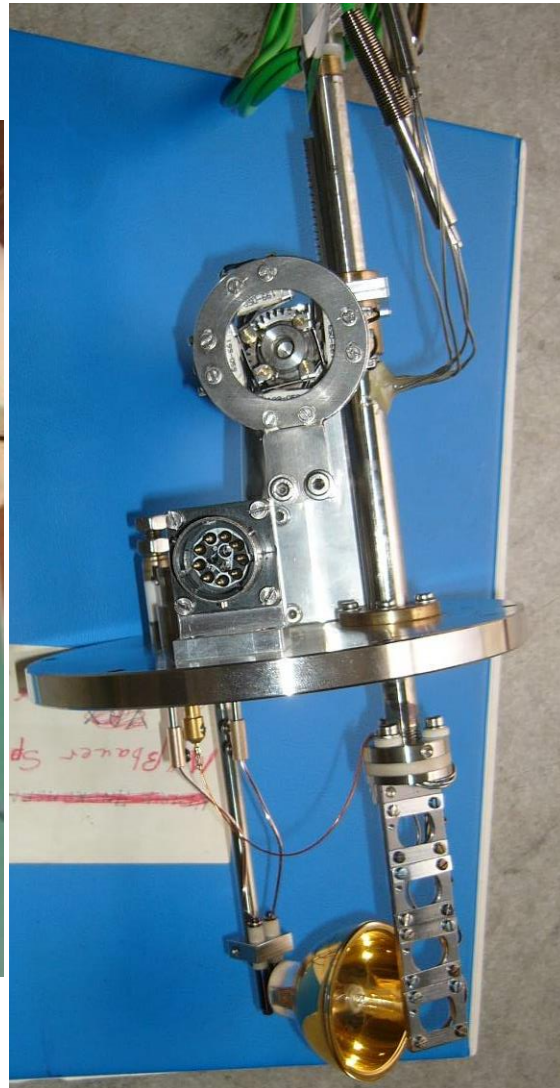


- Intensity ($\sim 1 \times 10^8$ atoms/s)
- High statistics spectrum (5 – 10 min.)
 - On-line (short lived)
- Collections for Off-line (long lived)
 - Hours - days

Mössbauer Experimental setup

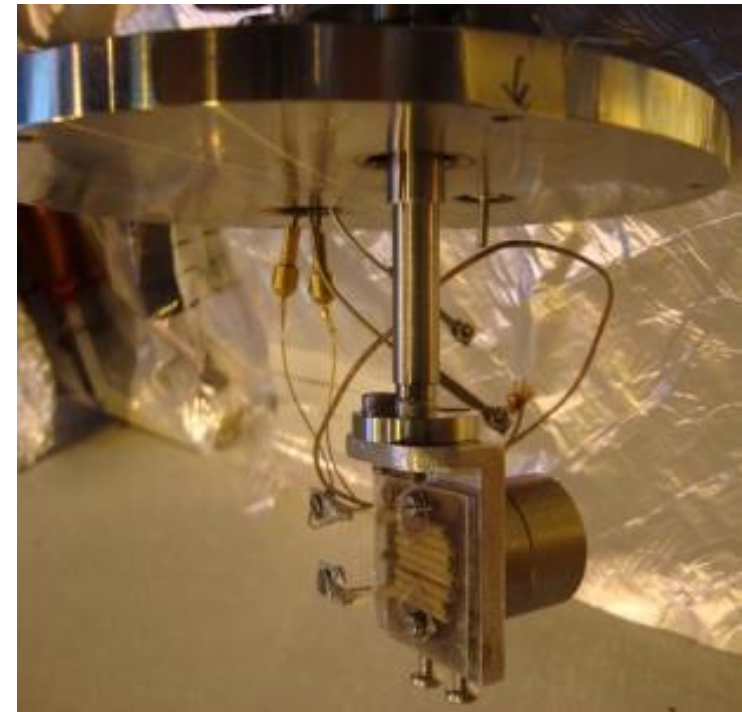
Sample holder

- Temperature range 90 – 700 K



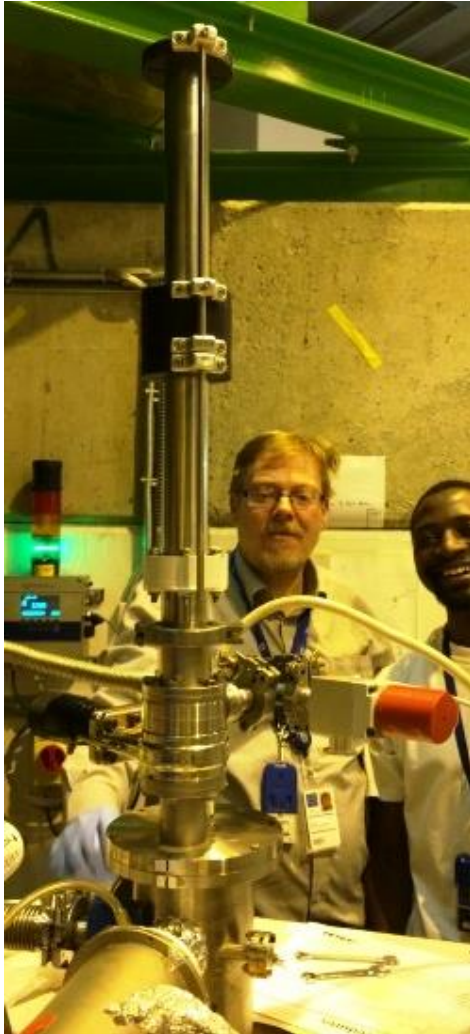
- Measurements at different emission angles

- Applied magnetic field ($B_{\text{ext}} \leq 0.6 \text{ T}$)



Mössbauer Experimental setup

Sample holder



- Quenching:
 - Implant at high temperature
 - Measure at low temperature (off-line)

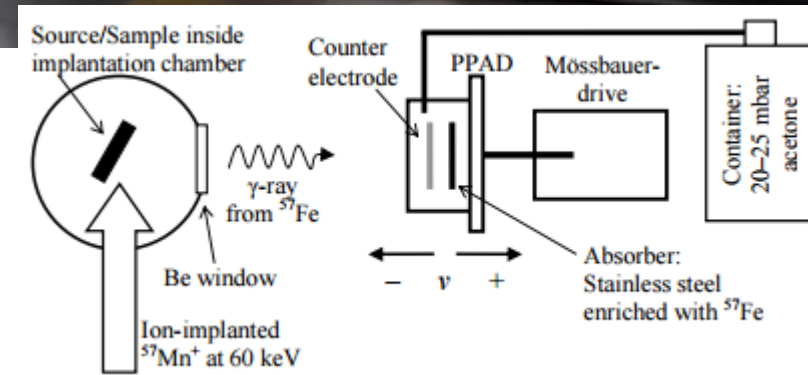
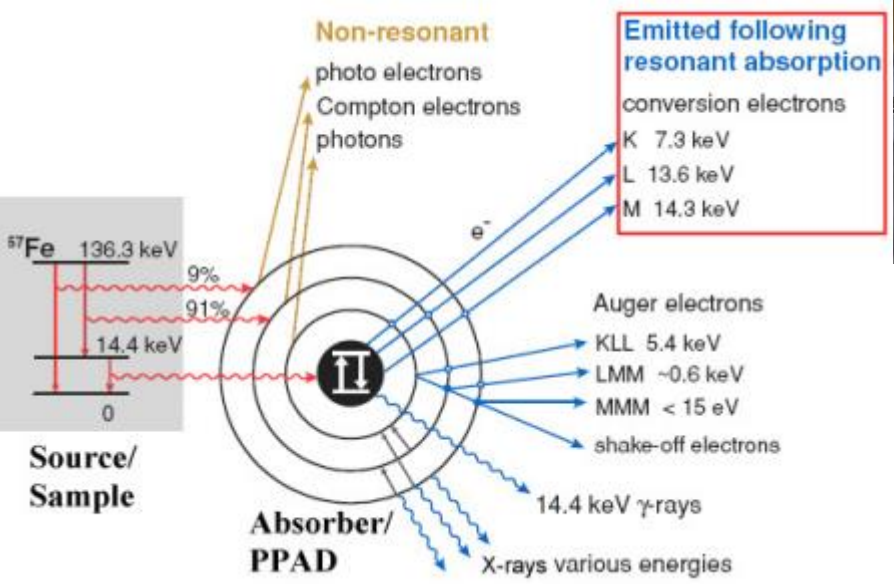
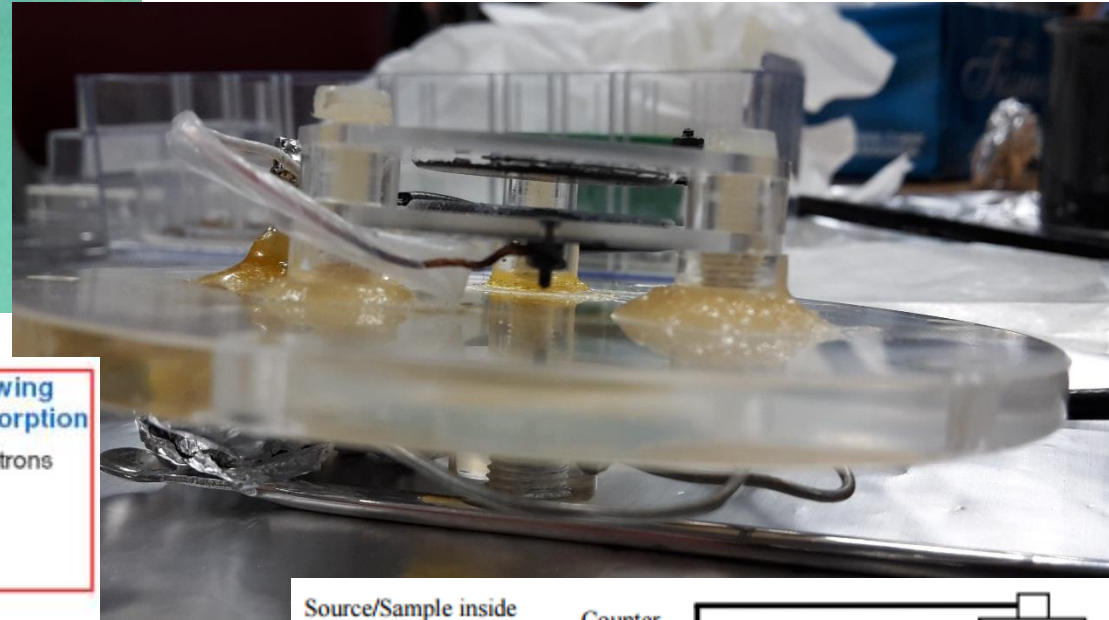
Mössbauer Experimental setup

Resonance detector

- G. Weyer, Mössbauer Eff. Meth., 10 (1976) 301

PPAD: Parallel Plate Avalanche Detector
- Single line resonance detector.

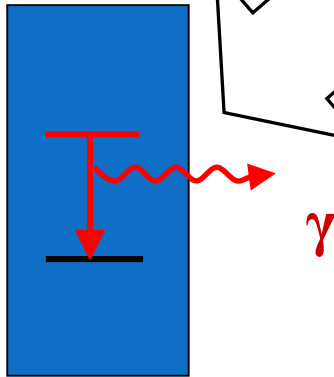
0.1 cps (~0.1 μ Ci) – 50k cps (~500 mCi)





Mössbauer spectroscopy technique

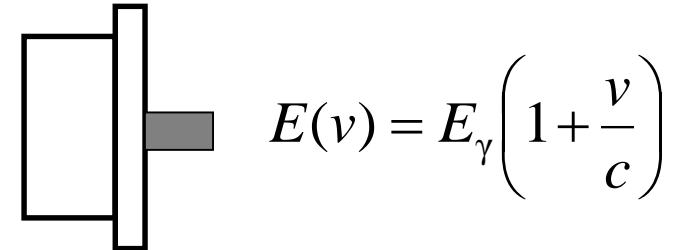
40-60 keV
Ion-implantation of Mössbauer Probe



Source/sample:
ion-implanted crystal

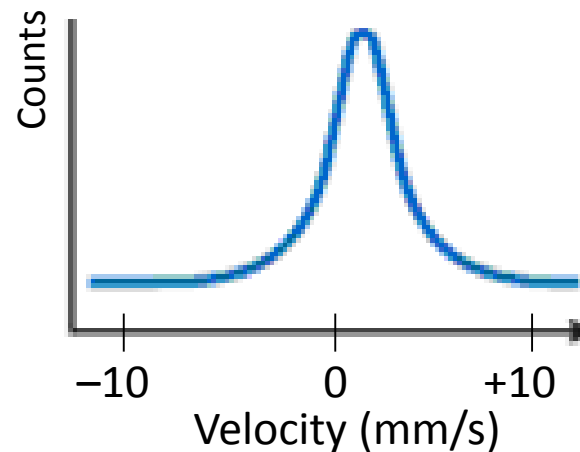
Emission Mössbauer spectroscopy

Measurement of spectrum



Absorber/detector:
Single line resonance detector

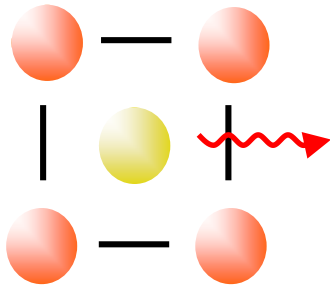
Mössbauer spectroscopy:
High spectral resolution
 $v = \pm 10$ mm/s (Doppler)
 $\Delta E = \pm 4.8 \times 10^{-7}$ eV



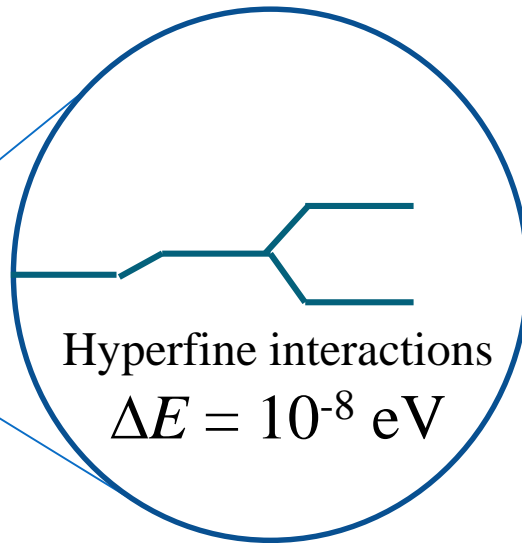
Emission Mössbauer spectrum

Emission Mössbauer spectroscopy

Measure hyperfine interactions



Mössbauer transition



Dilute Probe:

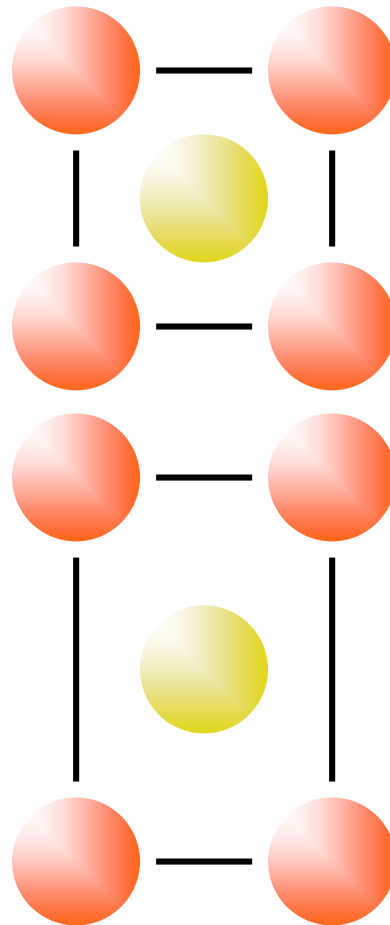
Below 10^{-3} at. %
 1×10^{18} atoms/cm³

Important info on an atomic scale:

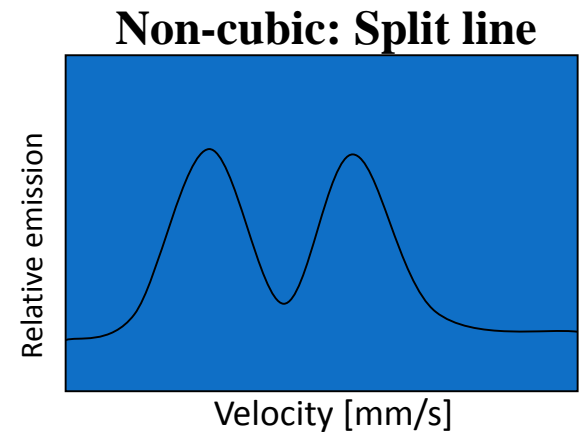
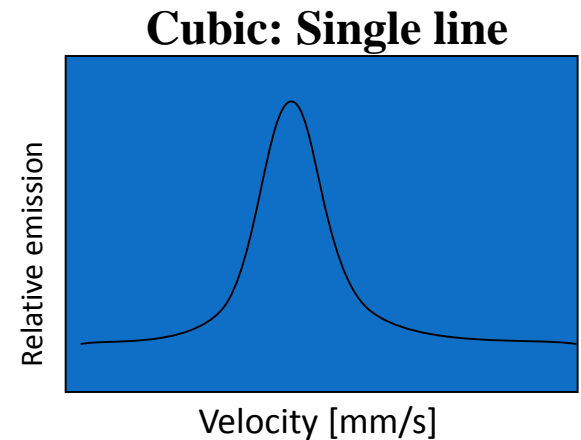
- Valence/Spin state
(line position, δ)
- Site symmetry
(doublet?)
- Magnetic interactions
(Sextet)
- Binding properties
- Relaxation effects
- Diffusion
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The resolution of Mössbauer spectroscopy can measure **hyperfine interactions**

- **Position of spectral line**
→ Valence state



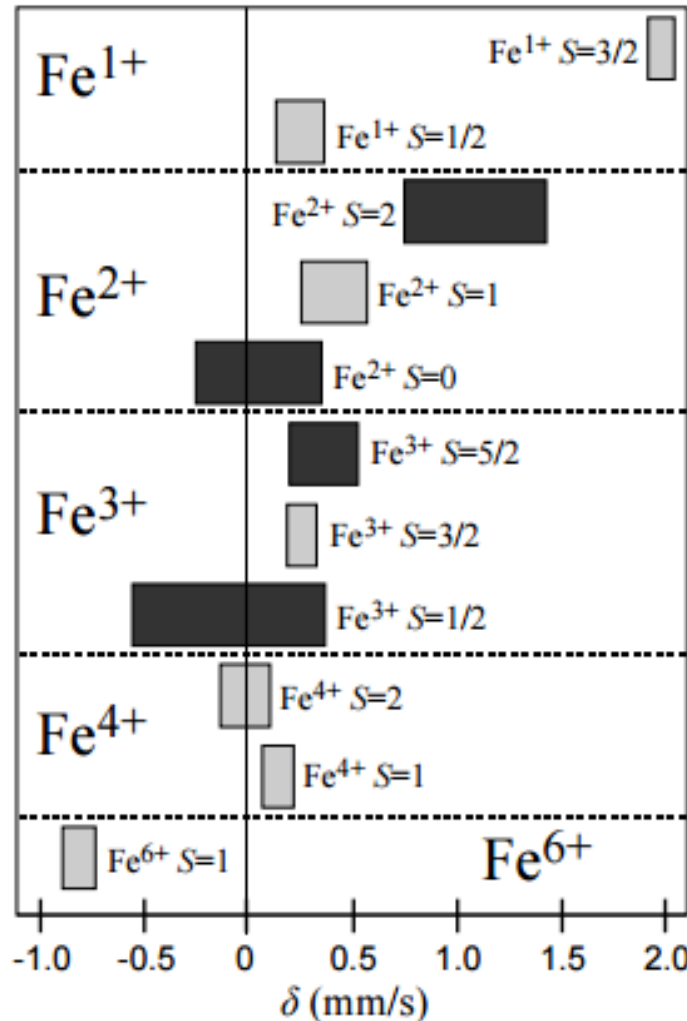
- **Quadropol splitting**
→ Cubic?



Valence/Spin state

⁵⁷Fe emission Mössbauer spectroscopy

Spectral line position,
Isomer shift, δ

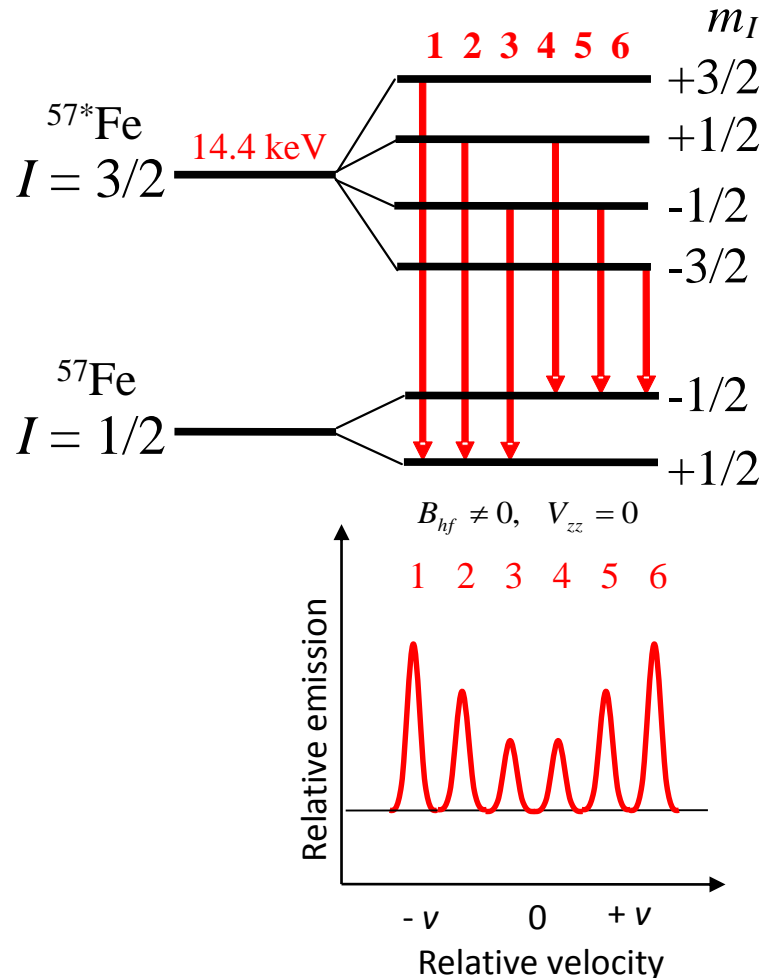


1 mm/s =
48 neV

Shielding \uparrow
 $\rho(0) \downarrow, \delta \uparrow$

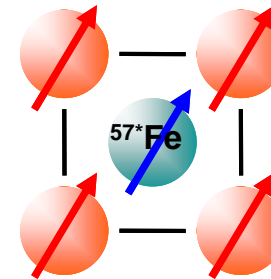
⁵⁷Fe emission Mössbauer spectroscopy

Magnetic hf. splitting of ⁵⁷Fe → **Sextet**

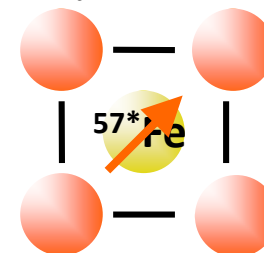


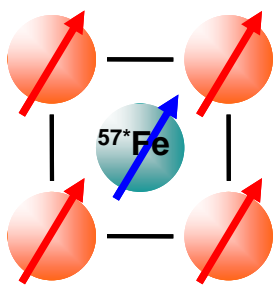
If the spin is stable for longer than **140 ns** – Sextet is observed

→ Ferromagnetic material



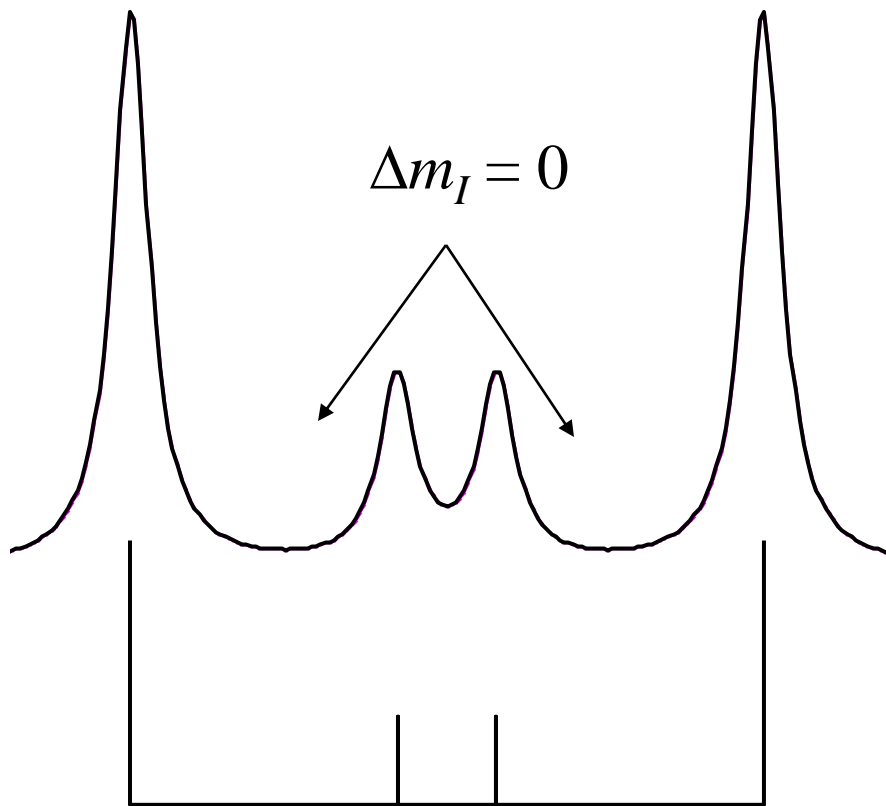
→ Slow relaxing paramagnetism (not only one sextet)





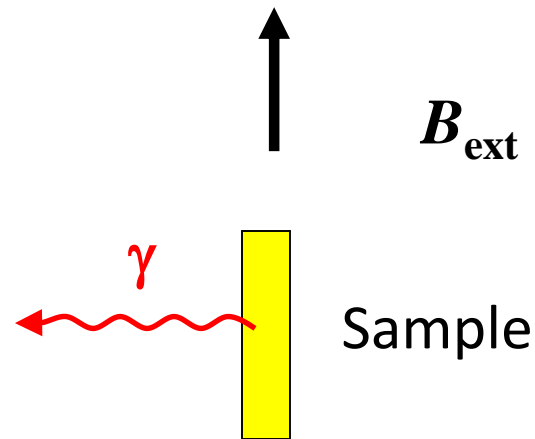
Magnetic order

Angular dependence
in B_{ext}

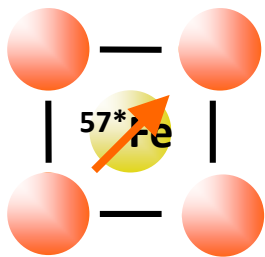


3 0 1 1 0 3

Relative line ratios:
3:4:1 (90°) → 3:0:1 (0°)



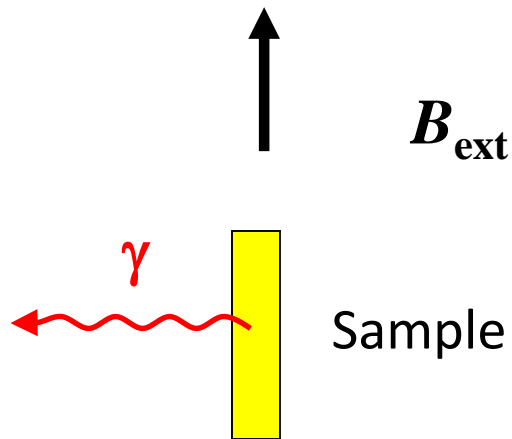
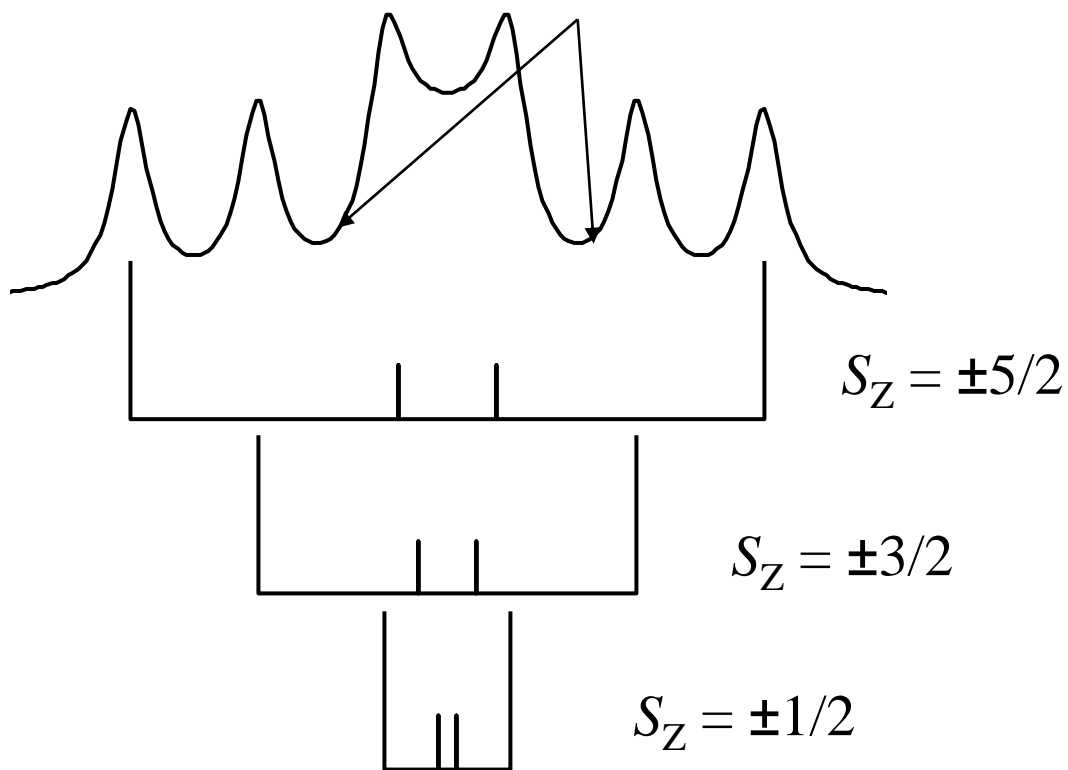
Individual line ratios
depend on the angle
between B_{ext} and the
 γ direction



Angular dependence in B_{ext}
 (same as ordered, but Kramer doublets)

Paramagnetism (slow relaxation)

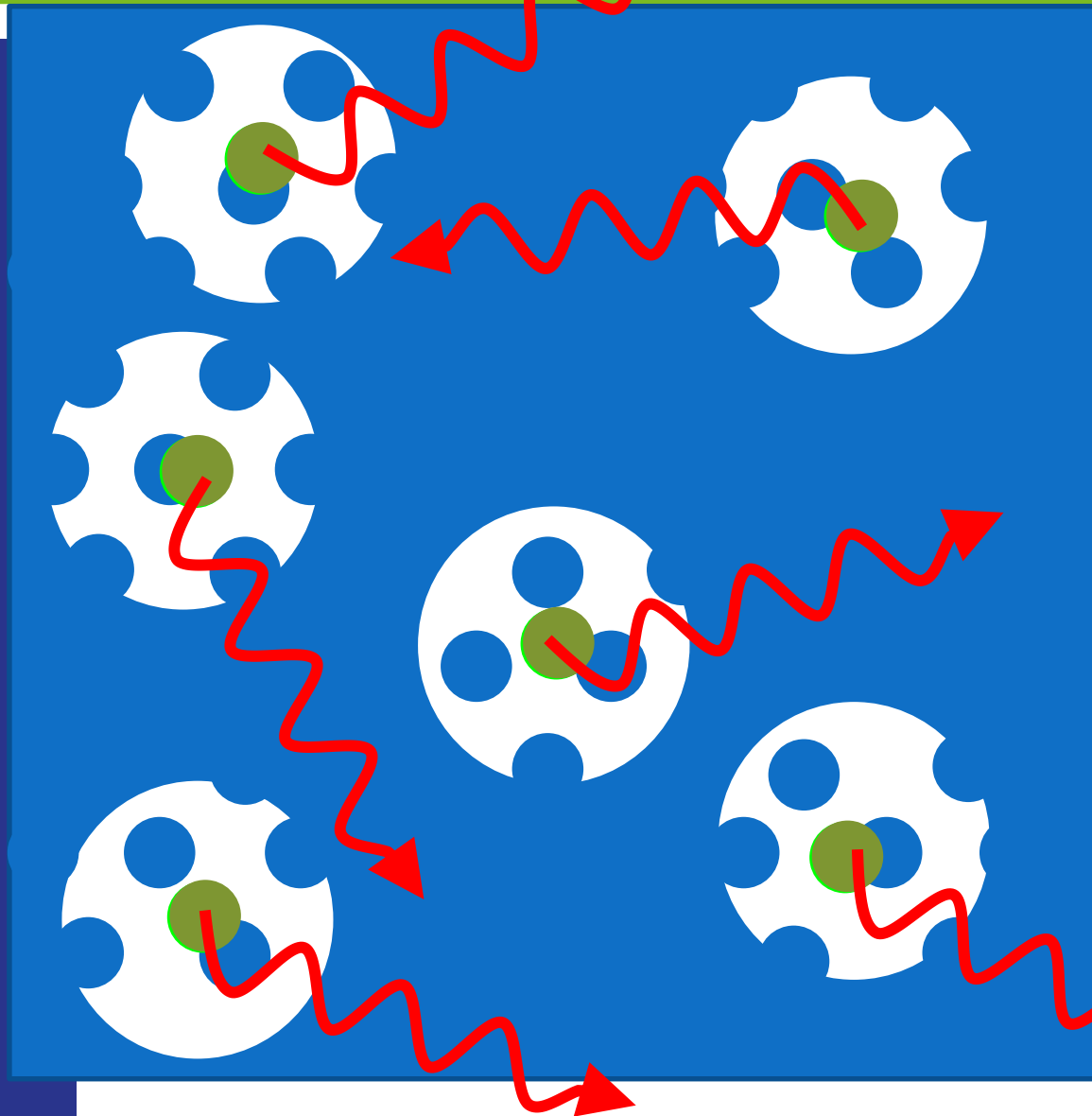
$\Delta m_I = 0$ from $S_Z = \pm 3/2$



Individual line ratios depend on the angle between B_{ext} and the γ direction

Relative line ratios:
 3:4:1 (90°) \rightarrow 3:0:1 (0°)

Sample of interest (Crystal, solid)



- **Implant Radioactive probes / impurities**

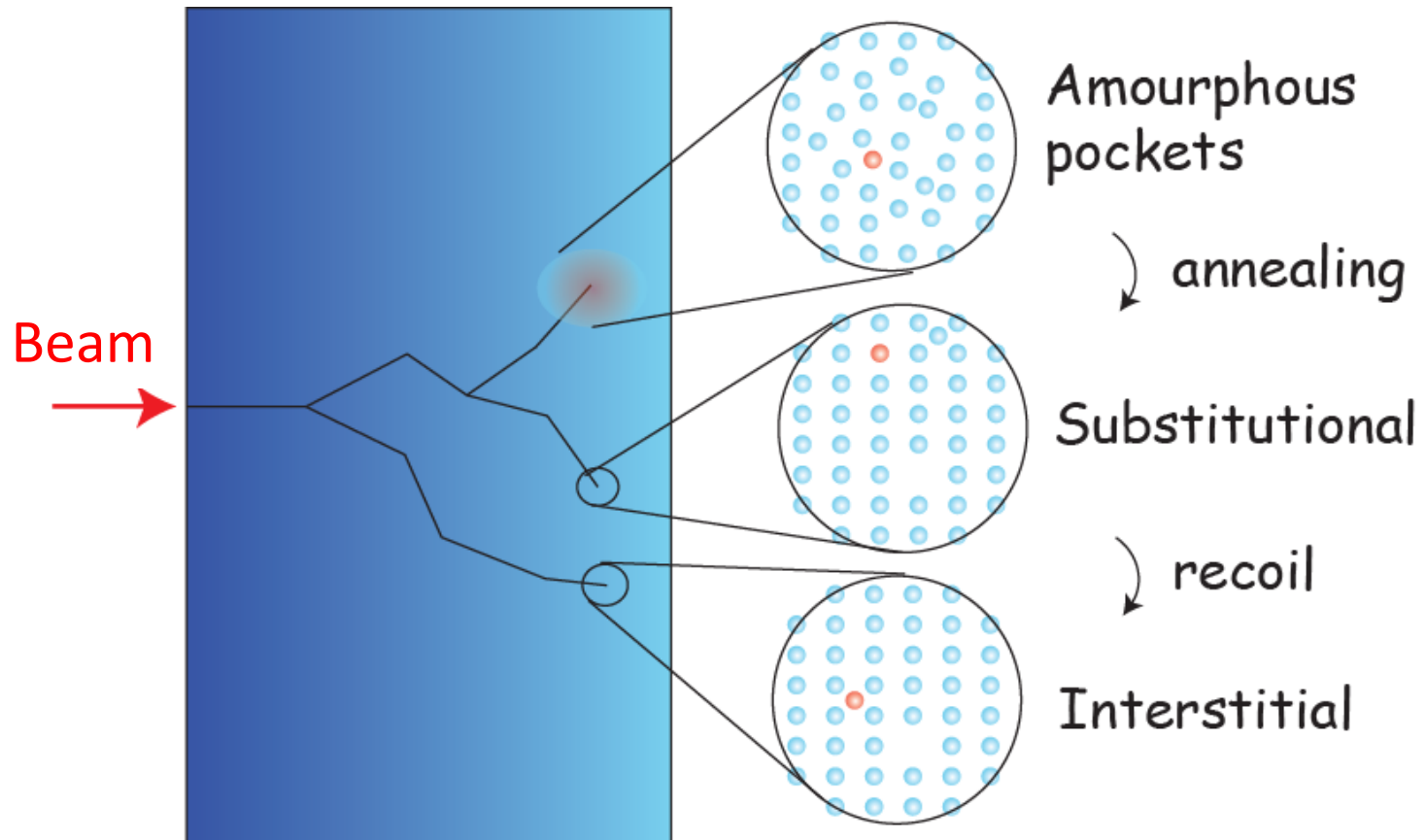
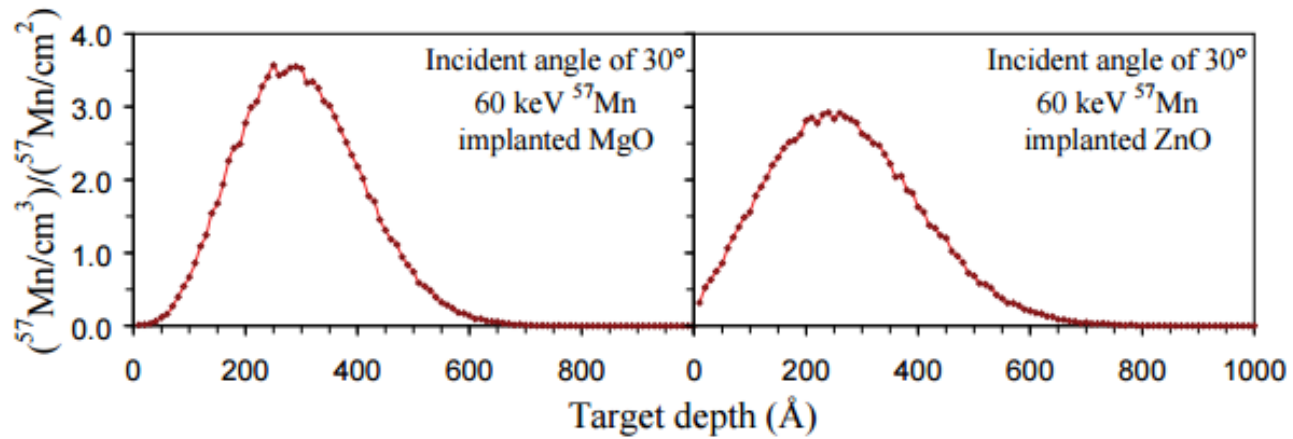
- **Decay → Probe the crystal**

- **The radioactive decay gives information about the probe sites → SPECTRUM (data)**



- **Analysis of Spectra (data) → Crystal properties**

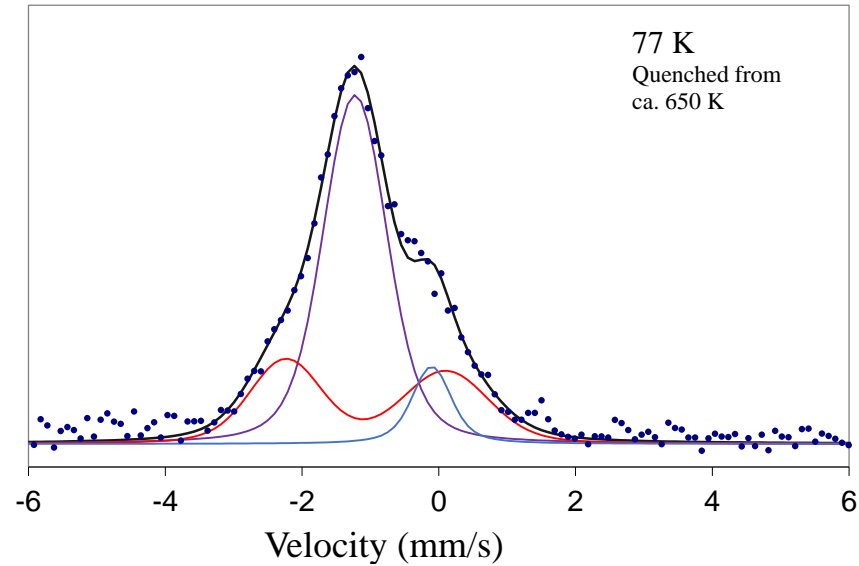
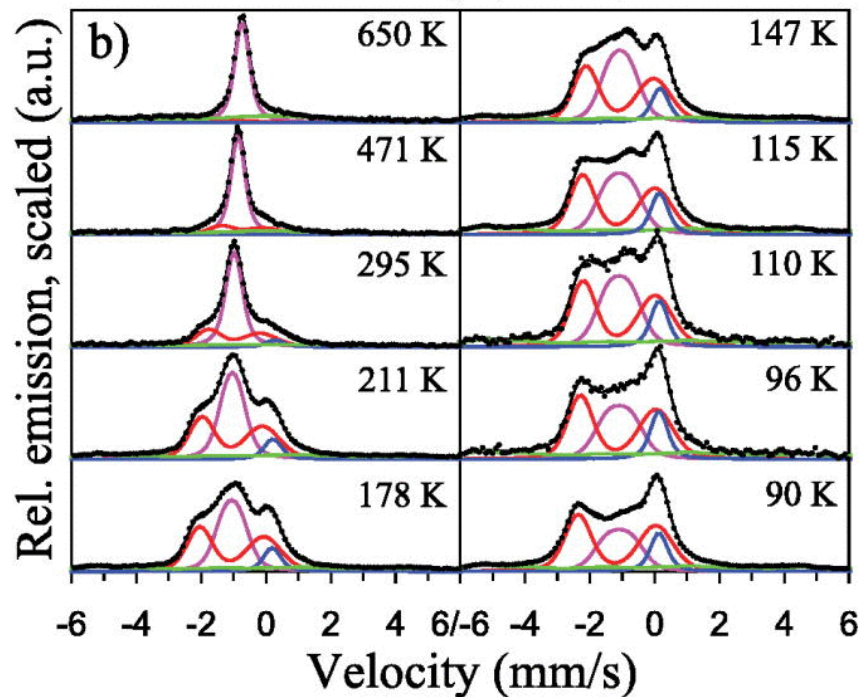
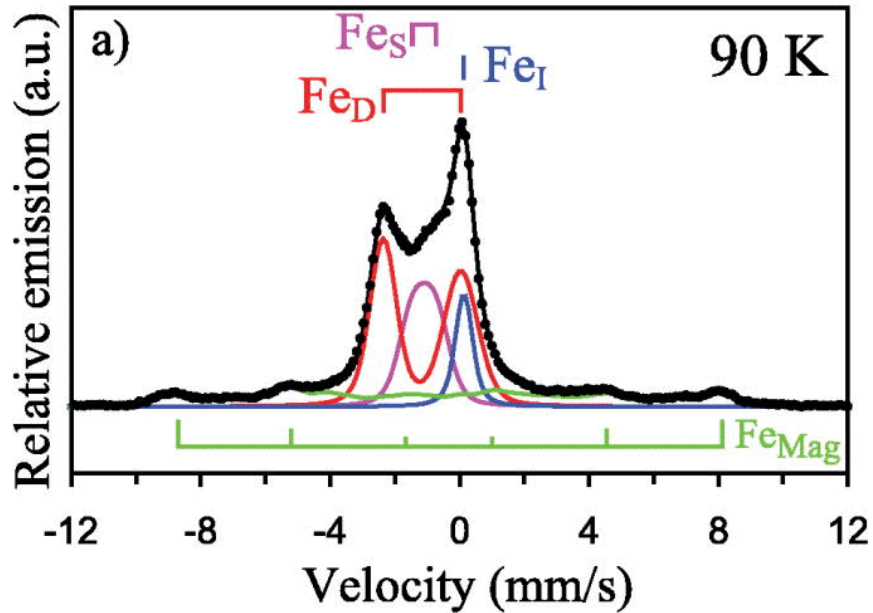
Ion-implantation



A thick blue vertical bar runs along the left edge of the slide. At the top left corner, there is a blue right-angled triangle pointing towards the top-left.

Examples and results

Interstitial in MgO



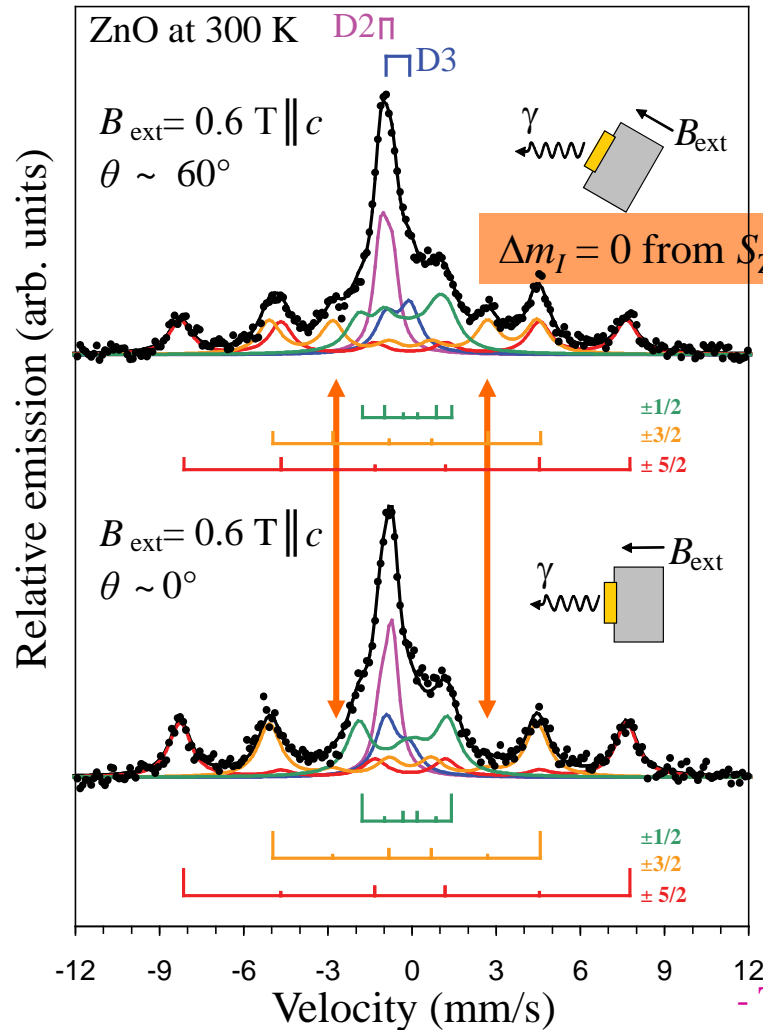
Quenching setup:

Reduction of Fe_D (damage)

- “More clear” Fe_I line

- Low statistics spectrum (no Fe_{Mag})

Magnetic identification



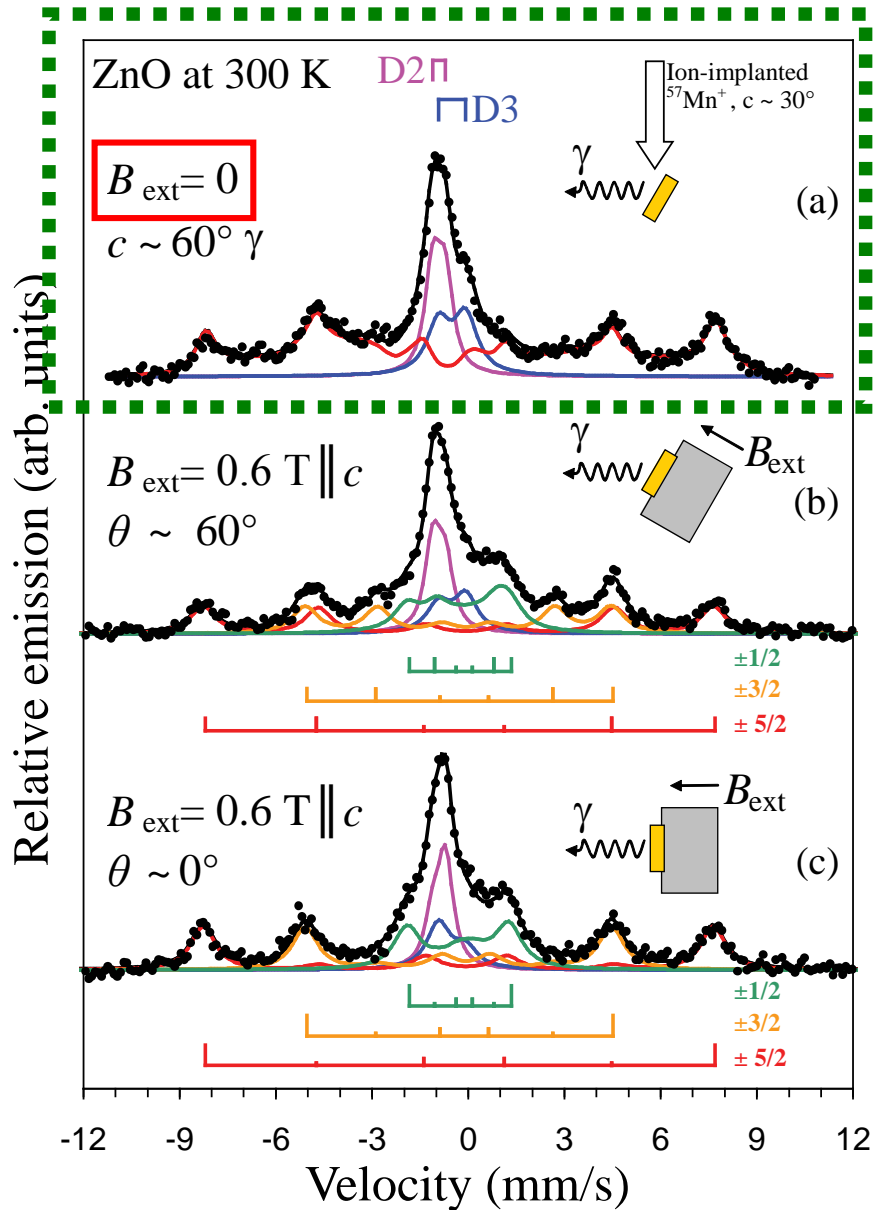
Magnetic structure originate from Kramers doublets is clearly observed.

- NO ordered magnetism
- Slow relaxing Paramagnetism 👍

- T. E Mølholt, Paramagnetism in ion-implanted oxides (2012)
 ISBN: 978-9935-9069-5-3

- H. P. Gunnlaugsson *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. 97 (2010) 142501

Paramagnetic relaxation of dilute ^{57}Fe ?

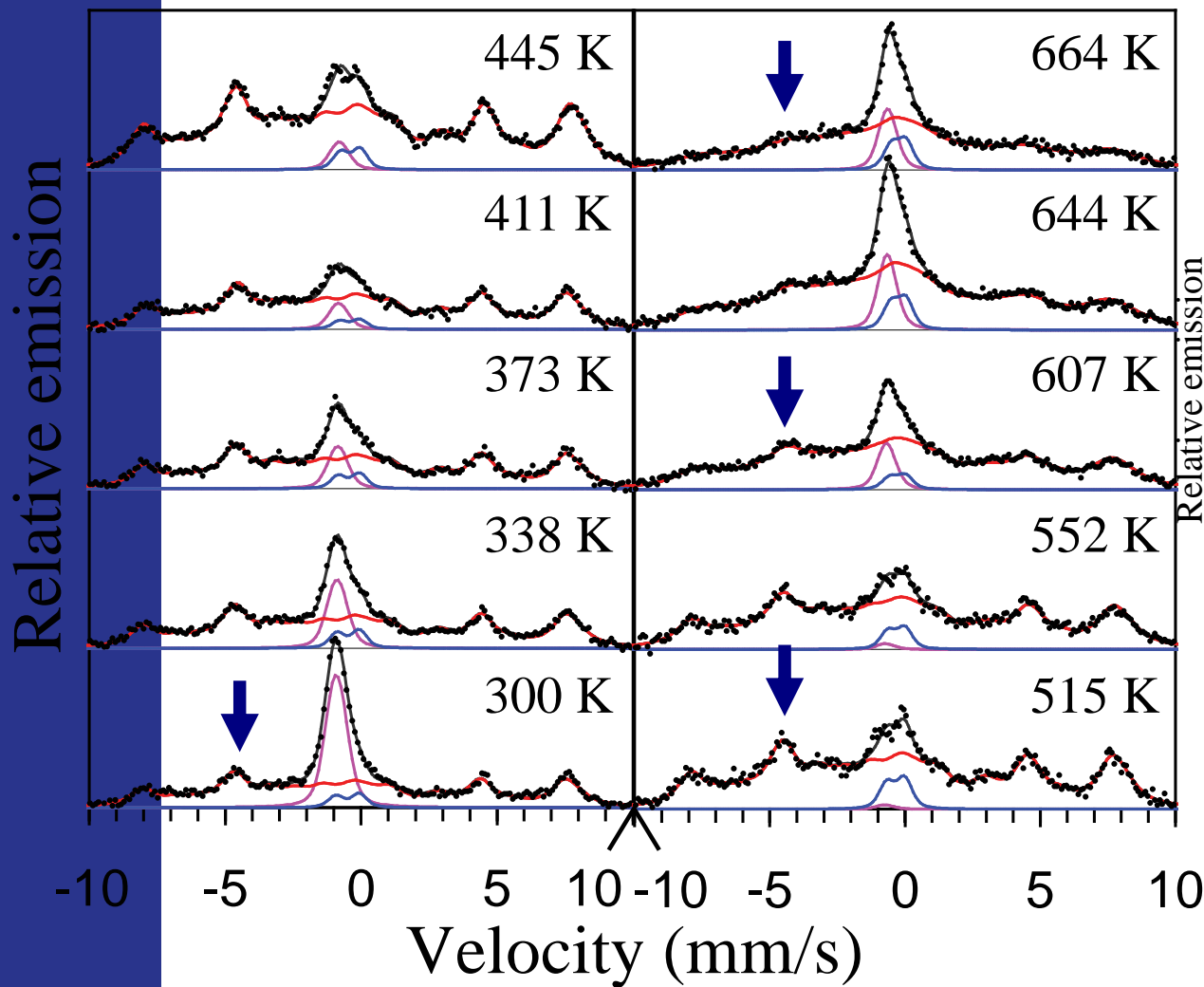


Know it is of paramagnetic origin:
 → Examine temperature dependence of the paramagnetic structure

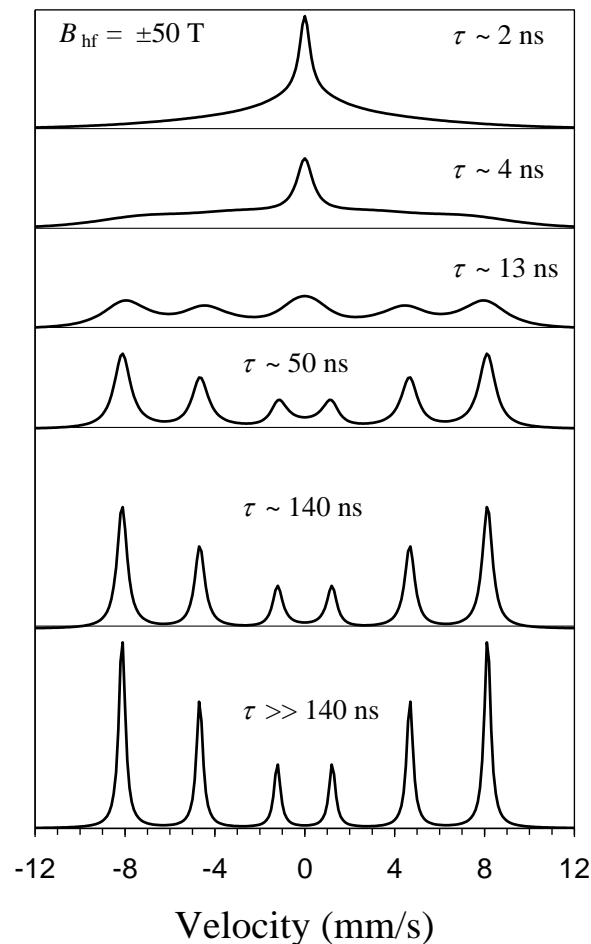
$B_{\text{ext}} = 0 \text{ T}$:
 → More complex magnetic sextet structure

Temperature ↑ : Broadening ↑

ZnO: $B_{\text{ext}} = 0$ T



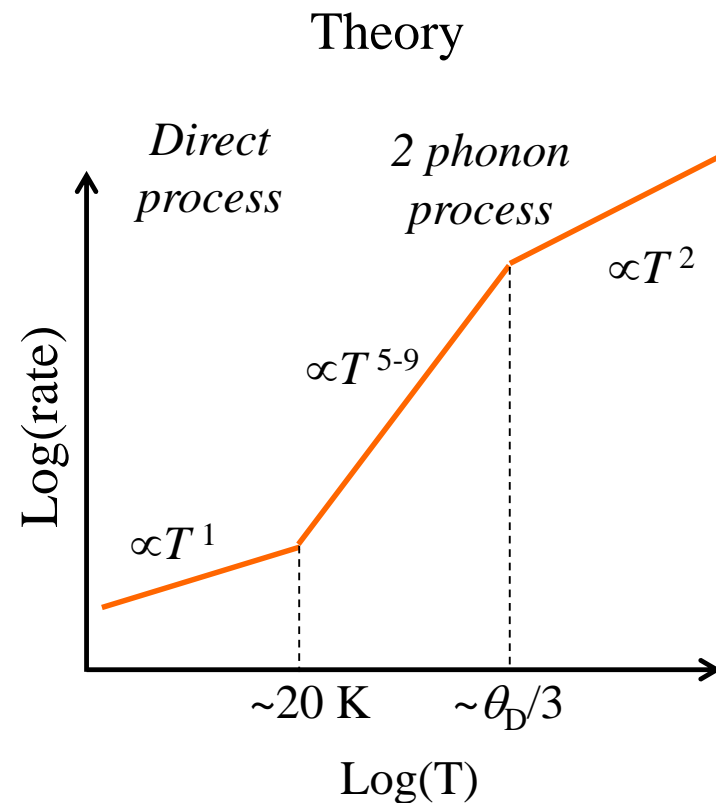
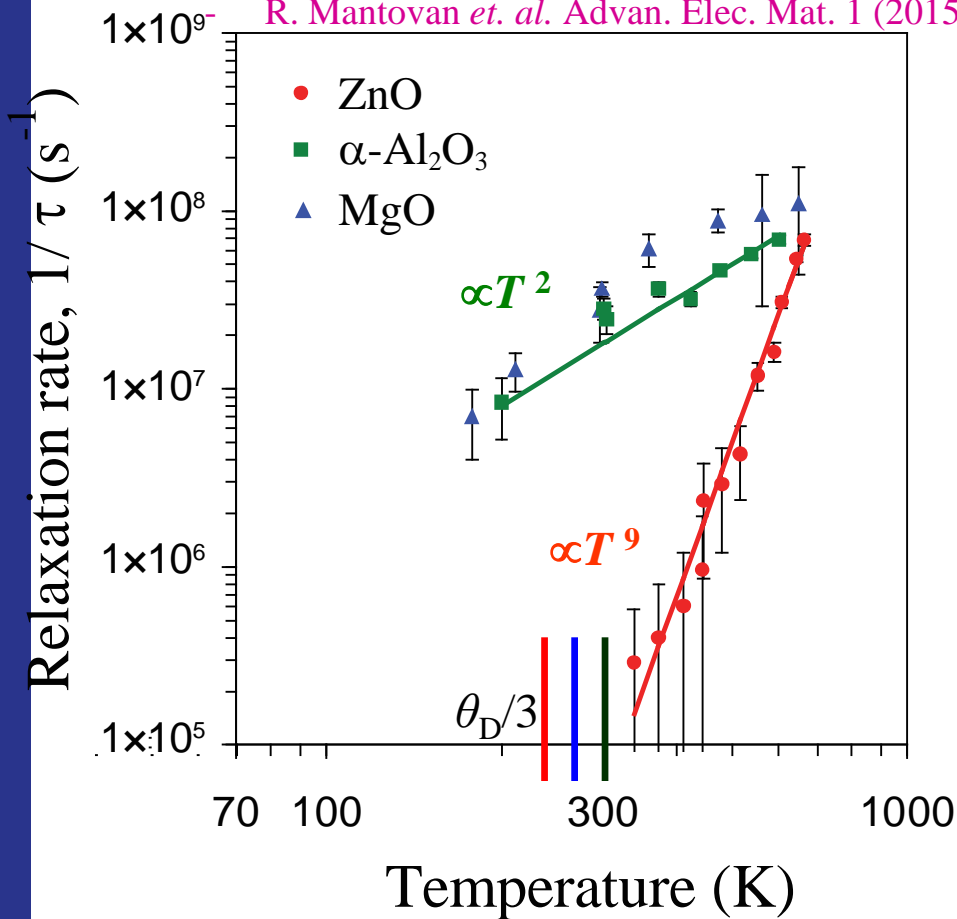
simulation Blume M. and Tjon J.A.:
Phys. Rev. **165**, 446 (1968)



$$\Delta\Gamma = \frac{2\hbar c}{E_0} \cdot \tau^{-1}$$

Spin-lattice relaxation rates in studied oxides

- T. E Mølholt *et al.* Physica Scripta, T148 (2012) 014006
- T. E Mølholt *et al.* Hyp. Int. 197 (2010) 89-94
- H.P. Gunnlaugsson *et al.* Hyp. Int. 198 (2010) 5-14
- R. Mantovan *et al.* Advan. Elec. Mat. 1 (2015) 1400039



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|------------|---|--|---|
| θ_D | { | MgO: ~ 730 K | 👍 |
| | | α -Al ₂ O ₃ : ~ 1050 K | 👍 |
| | | ZnO: $\sim 300 - 700$ K | 😞 |

On-going and future Mössbauer studies at ISOLDE

Make use of more ISOLDE beams

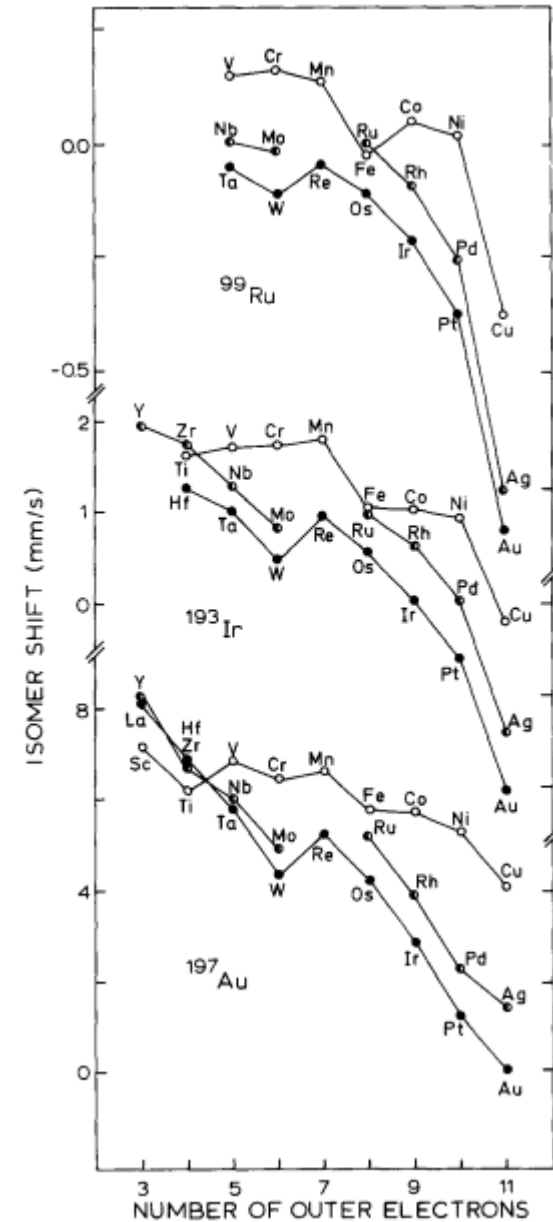
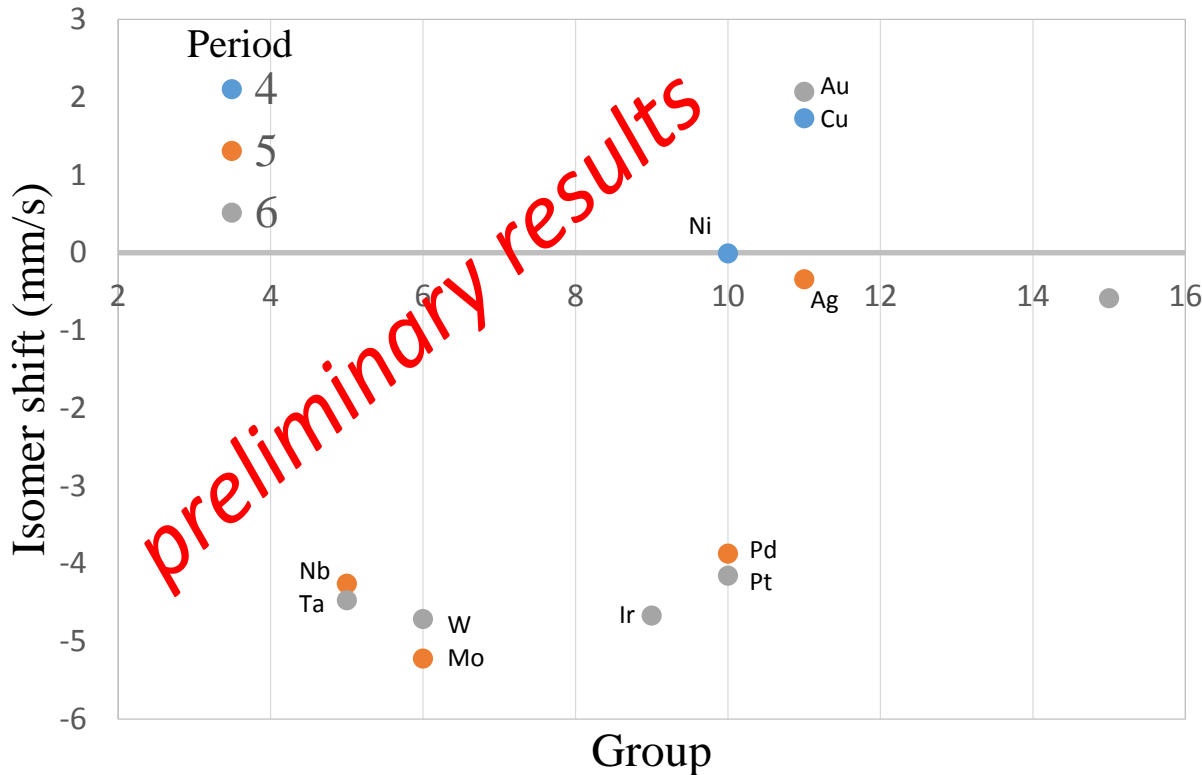
- On-line
- Off-line (longer lived Mossbauer isotopes), b508

*Please see Talk at the ISOLDE Workshop by
Haraldur Páll Gunnlaugsson:
- Friday 4th Dec. 09:30*

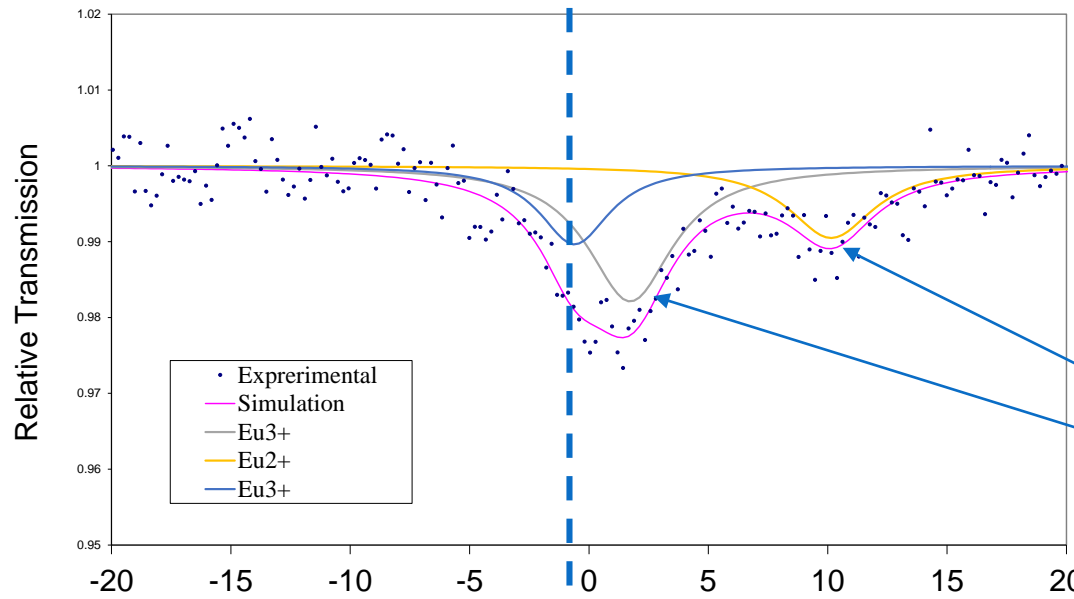
^{151}Eu Mössbauer

June/July 2015: ^{151}Dy -beam, $T_{1/2} \sim 124\text{d}$ (^{151}Gd)

- RE doping: manipulate optical properties in semiconductors
- Samples made in minutes
- Measurements of ~ 20 samples ongoing



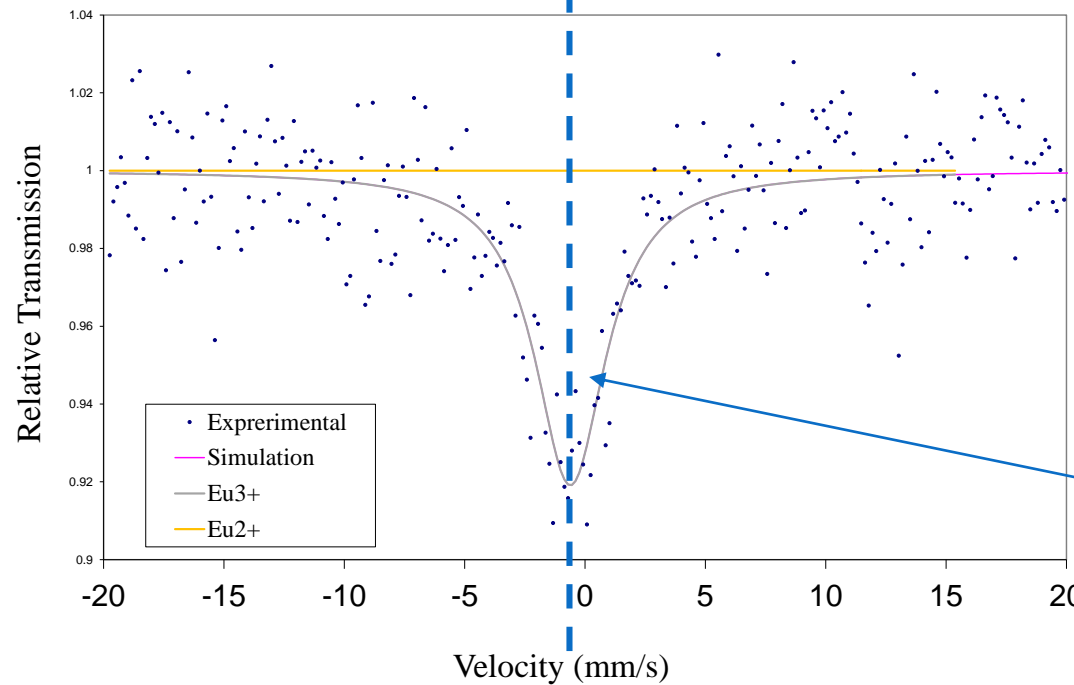
Cu sample. ^{151}Eu
Measured at RT



As implanted

Implantation related sites

- *Damage (not perfect lattice)*
- *Vacancies*
- *Interstitial*



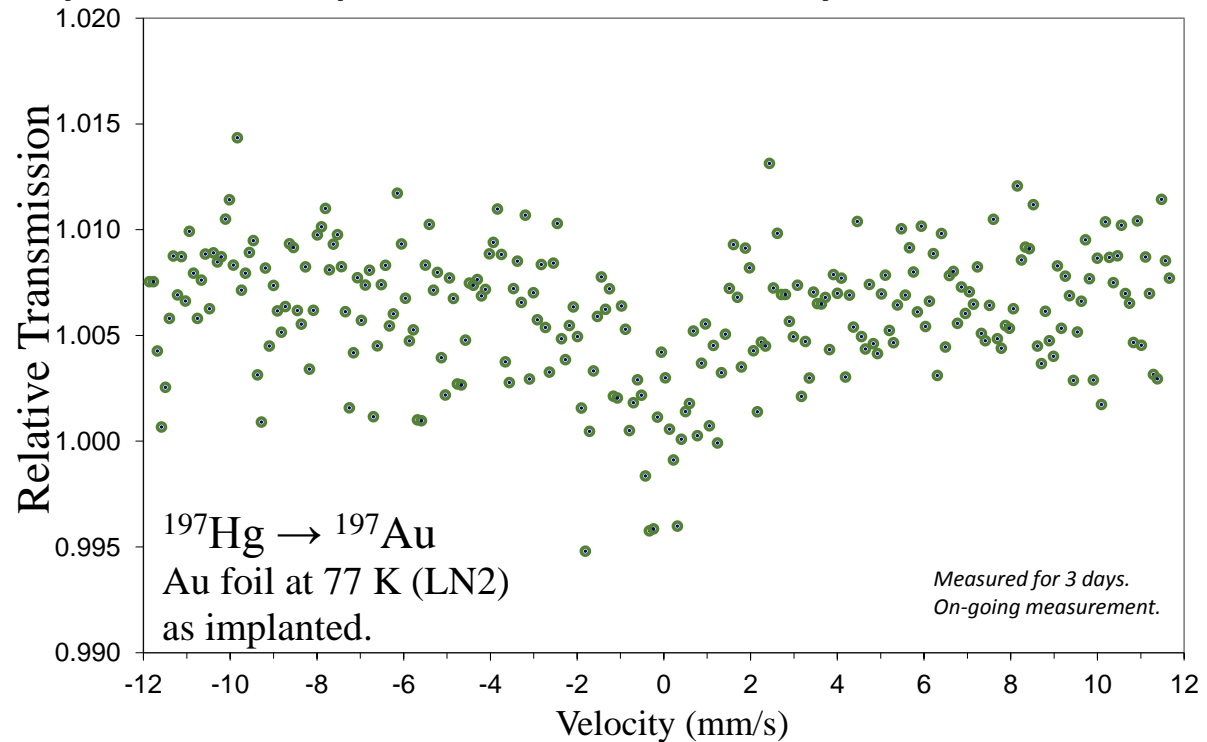
After annealing:
350°C for 30 min.

Substitutional site

^{197}Au Mössbauer

November 2015: ^{197}Hg beam, $T_{1/2} \sim 64\text{h}$

- Test for **Bio-physics** (INTC-2015-008, I-161).
- Low Hg-yields to LA2 (sample made in *several* hours):
 - No bio-physics. But proof of feasibility/calibration.



Emission Mössbauer at ISOLDE

- ! The ISOLDE isotope beams are our **tools** for Mössbauer studies !



Usage of **additional isotopes** for extended studies and possibilities



Conclusions

- Mössbauer is a unique atomic-scale measurements of electronic, magnetic, and structural properties within materials.
 - ISOLDE is the perfect tool to create and study doping and defects in materials.
- Showed some specific results.
 - Interstitial Fe in MgO.
 - Paramagnetism in oxides.
- Expanding the isotopes used for eMS at ISOLDE.
 - Further doping possibilities.
 - Bio-physics.

Thanks for your attention