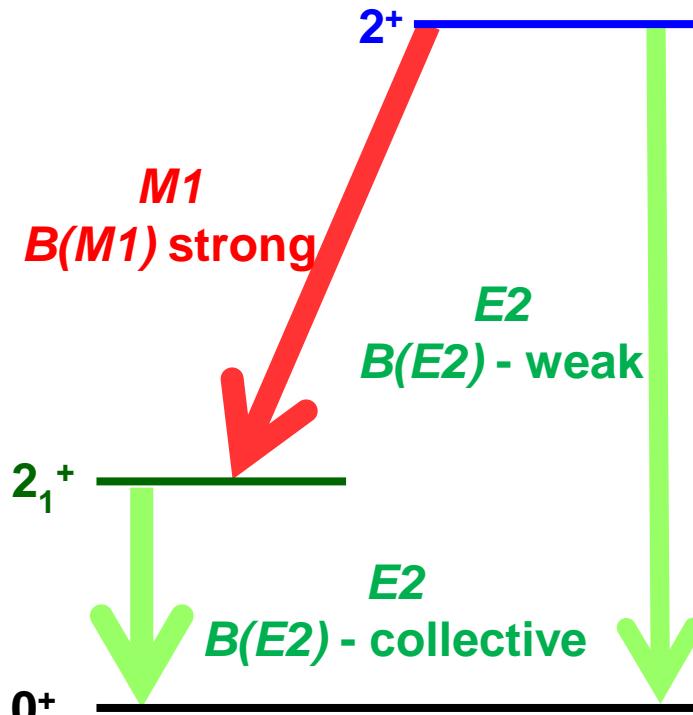


# Impact of microscopic structure on isovector valence shell excitations of nuclei near N=82

## HIE-ISOLDE experiments IS546 and IS596

Norbert Pietralla, TU Darmstadt



**TU Darmstadt:** N.Pietralla, R.Stegmann, C.Stahl, V.Werner, S. Ilieva, T.Kröll, M.Lettmann, O.Möller, M.Reese, M.Thürauf

**University of Sofia:** G.Rainovski, D.Kocheva, K.Gladnishki, M.Djongolov

**University of Cologne:** J.Jolie, A.Blahzev, C.Fransen, N.Warr

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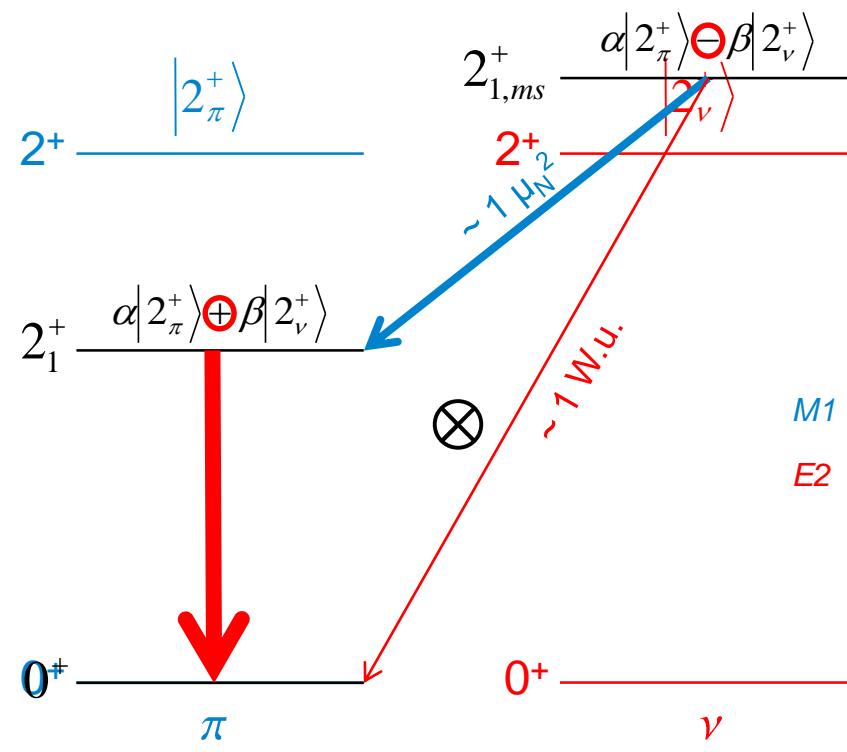
ISOLDE- / MINIBALL-Collaborations

# Microscopic origin of Quadrupole Mixed-Symmetric States



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- Nuclei are two-component quantum systems
- Coupling to symmetric and antisymmetric (“mixed-symmetric”) state
- Fingerprint: Strong M1 transition between 2<sup>+</sup> states
- Predicted by IBM-2
- Microscopic description by:
  - QPM N. Lo Iudice *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 77, 044310 (2008)
  - LSSM D. Bianco *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 85, 034332 (2012)



# Experimental approach – Inverse Kinematics

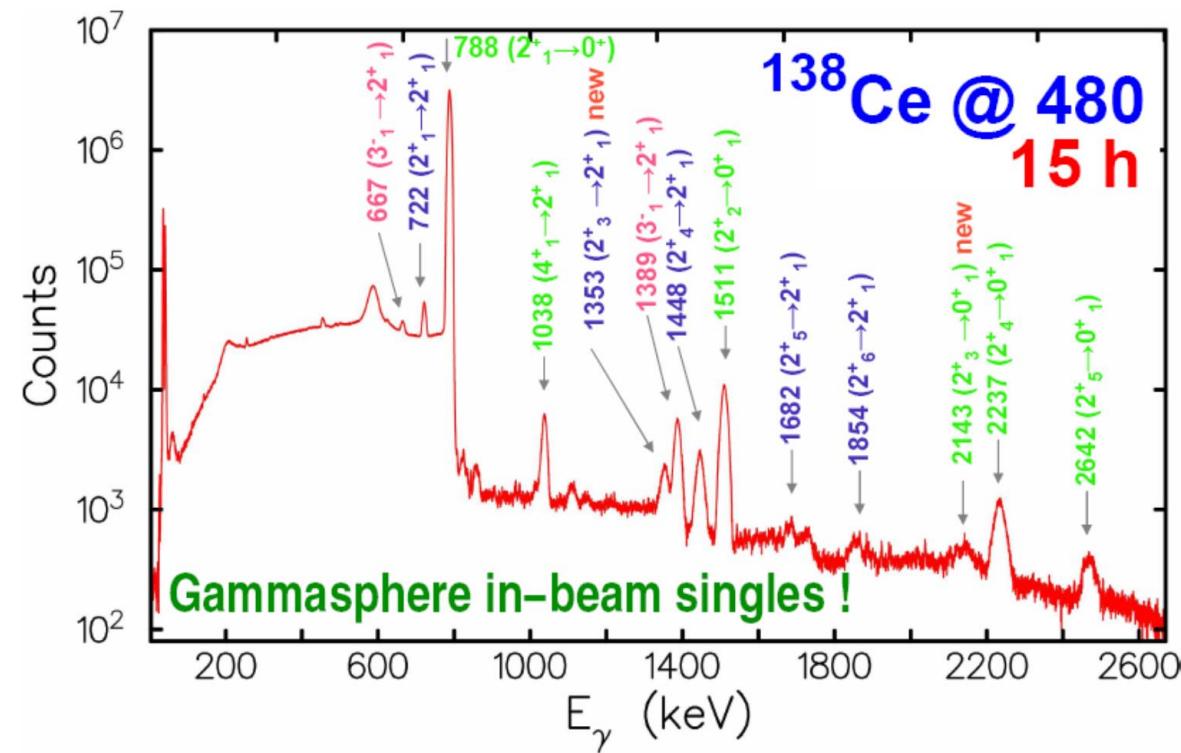
## Coulomb excitation reactions

### ANL program



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- Background subtraction
- Doppler shift corrections
- Lorentz boost corrections ( $v \sim 6\%c$ )
- Angular distributions  
(Gammasphere=17 rings, 17  $\theta$ )
- Coulex analysis: Coulex codes  
(CLX, Gosia)



G.Rainovski, N. Pietralla et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **96** 122501 (2006).



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# IS546

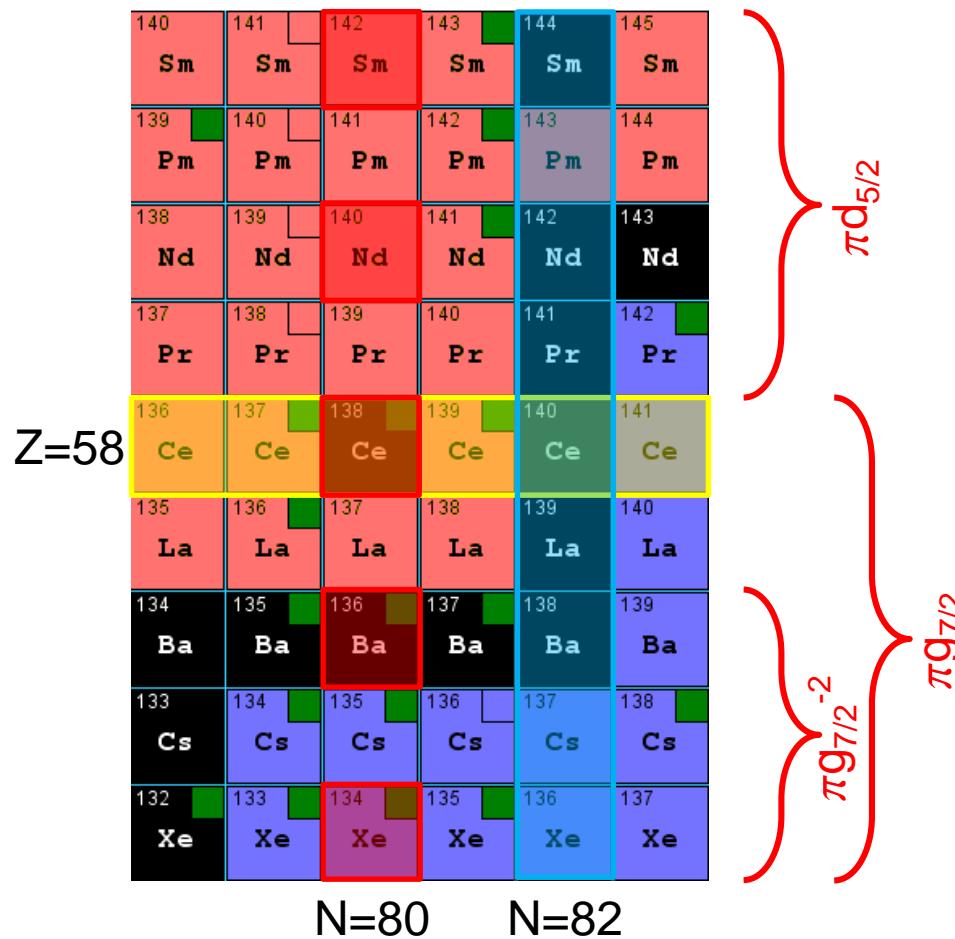
## Coulex of $^{140}\text{Nd}$ , $^{142}\text{Sm}$

# Stabilization of Nuclear Isovector Valence-Shell Excitations

G. Rainovski *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 122501 (2006)

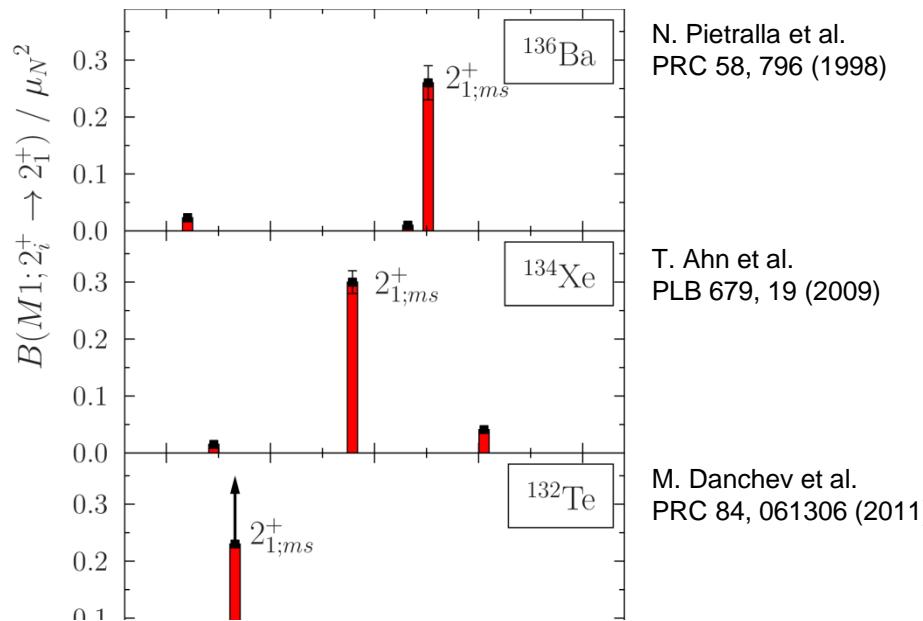


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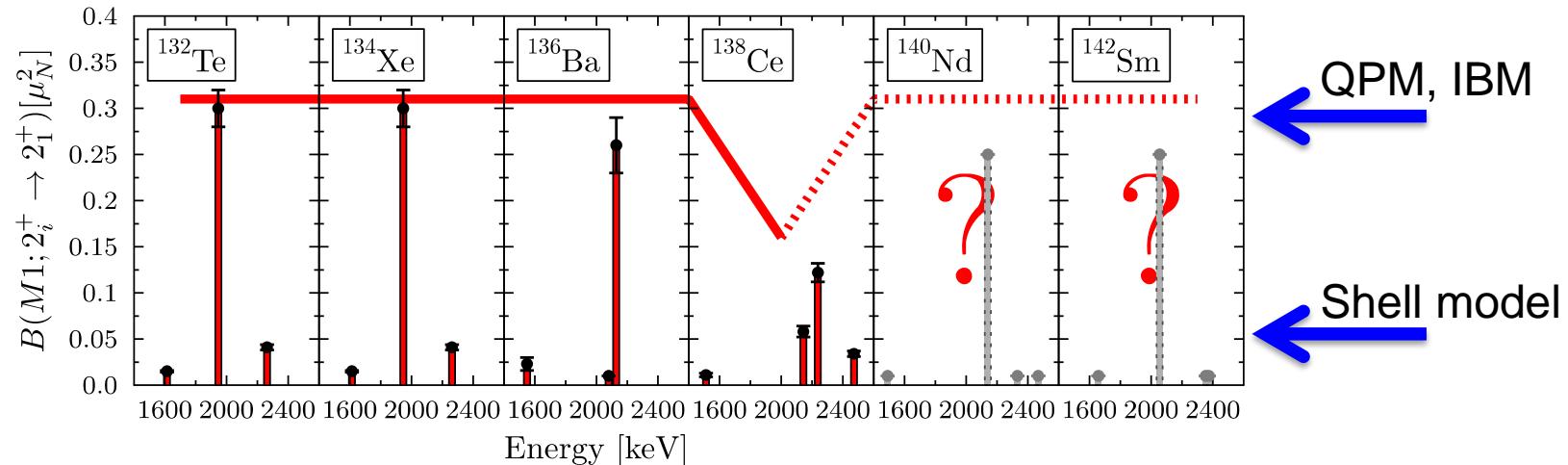
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PRL 96, 122501 (2006)

What are the properties of MSSs of  
 $^{140}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{142}\text{Sm}$ ?



The properties of MSSs are sensitive  
to the sub-shell structure!

# Motivation: Stabilization of Nuclear Isovector Valence-Shell Excitations – $^{140}\text{Nd}$ and $^{142}\text{Sm}$



- Single 2<sup>+</sup> MSS of  $^{132}\text{Te}$ ,  $^{134}\text{Xe}$ ,  $^{136}\text{Ba}$
- Fragmented 2<sup>+</sup> MSS of  $^{138}\text{Ce}$
- QPM and SM reproduce situation in N=80

**What is the predictive power?**

- QPM: **single** 2<sup>+</sup> MSS of  $^{140}\text{Nd}$
- SM: **fragmented** 2<sup>+</sup> MSS of  $^{140}\text{Nd}$

**Need to identify and quantitatively study MSSs of  $^{140}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{142}\text{Sm}$**

# Preparation: REX-ISOLDE experiment IS496



## Hitherto method (e.g. $^{138}\text{Ce}$ ):

- Coulomb excitation at 80-85% CB
- GAMMASPHERE in singles mode
  - Without particle detector
- Beam intensity  $\sim 10^9$  pps possible
- $^{12}\text{C}$  target → Inverse kinematics
  - No target excitation
  - Normalization to  $2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_{1,g.s}^+$  transition

**But: Stable beams!**

## Situation for $^{140}\text{Nd}$ , $^{142}\text{Sm}$ :

- Radioactive nuclei
  - **Beam development**
  - **Particle detector necessary**
- Lower beam energy – 60-65% CB (2.85 Mev/u)
- Lower beam intensity
- $B(E2;2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_{1,g.s}^+)$  unknown
  - **Necessity to measure B(E2)**
- previous REX-ISOLDE IS496

# Previous REX-ISOLDE experiment IS496

## Experimental runs



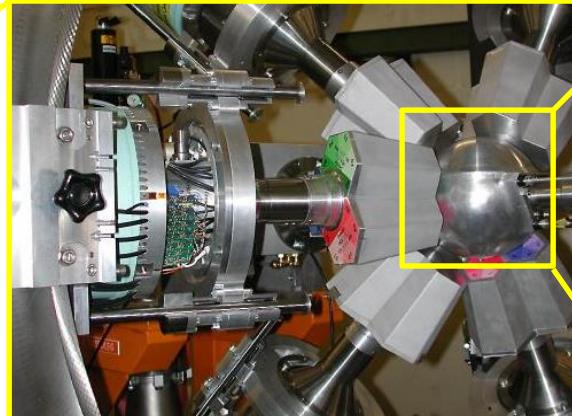
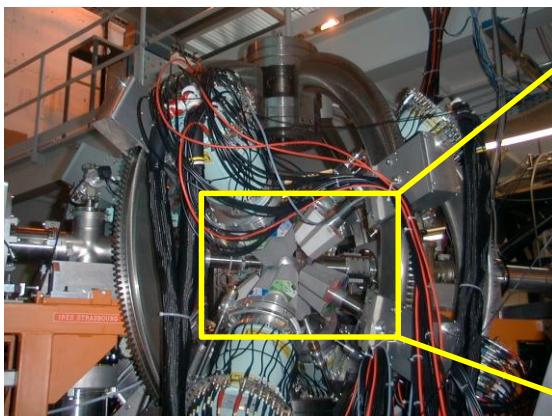
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01.07. – 04.07.2011

- Beam:  $^{140}\text{Nd}$
- Contamination:  $^{140}\text{Sm}$
- 2.85 MeV/u ( $E_{\text{kin}} = 399 \text{ MeV}$ )
- HRS & RILIS
- Target:  $^{48}\text{Ti}$  (1.4 mg/cm $^2$ )  
 $^{64}\text{Zn}$  (1.55 mg/cm $^2$ )

28.06. – 30.06.2012

- Beam:  $^{142}\text{Sm}$
- Contamination:  $^{142}\text{Eu}$ ,  $^{142}\text{Pm}$
- 2.85 MeV/u ( $E_{\text{kin}} = 405 \text{ MeV}$ )
- GPS & RILIS
- Target:  $^{48}\text{Ti}$  (1.4 mg/cm $^2$ )  
 $^{94}\text{Mo}$  (2 mg/cm $^2$ )

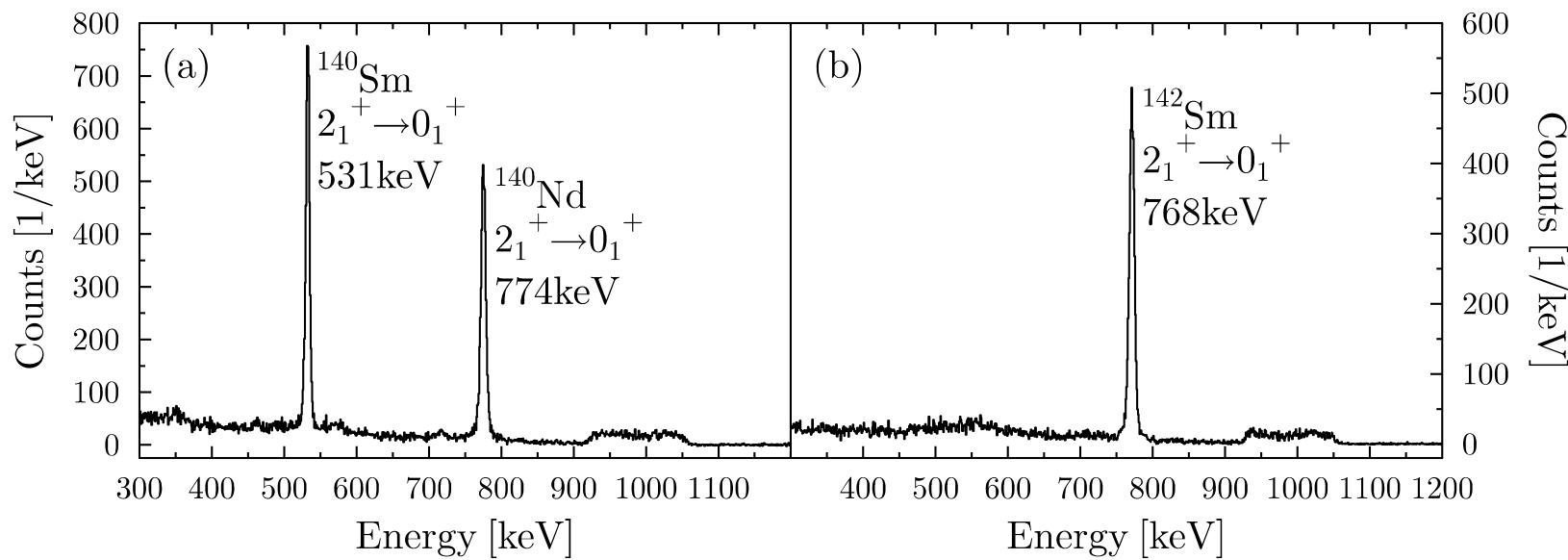


# Previous REX-ISOLDE experiment IS496 Results



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- Beams for  $^{140}\text{Nd}$ ,  $^{142}\text{Sm}$  (primary target material: Ta) have been developed, tested and used successfully
- Including RILIS ionization scheme
- Beam intensities  $\sim 10^5 - 10^6$  pps



# REX-ISOLDE experiment IS496

## Results



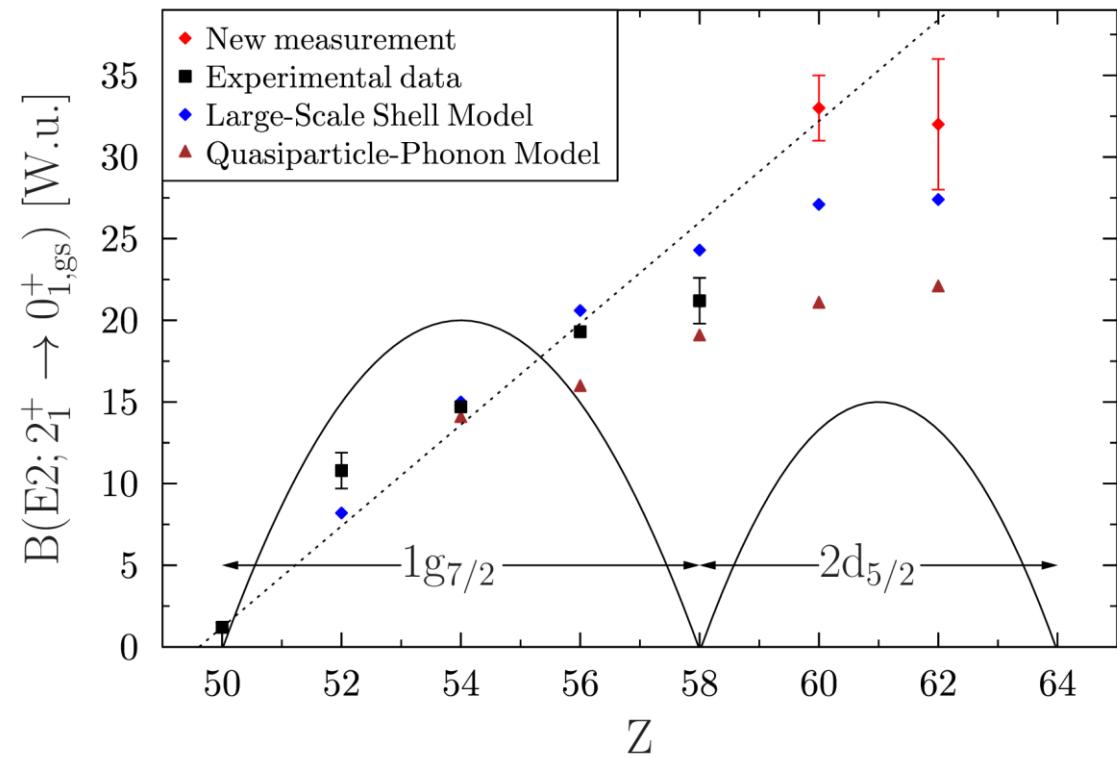
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$$B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_{1,gs}^+)$$

**$^{140}\text{Nd}$ : 33 (2) W.u.**

**$^{142}\text{Sm}$ : 32 (4) W.u.**

**Z=58 sub-shell closure in data**



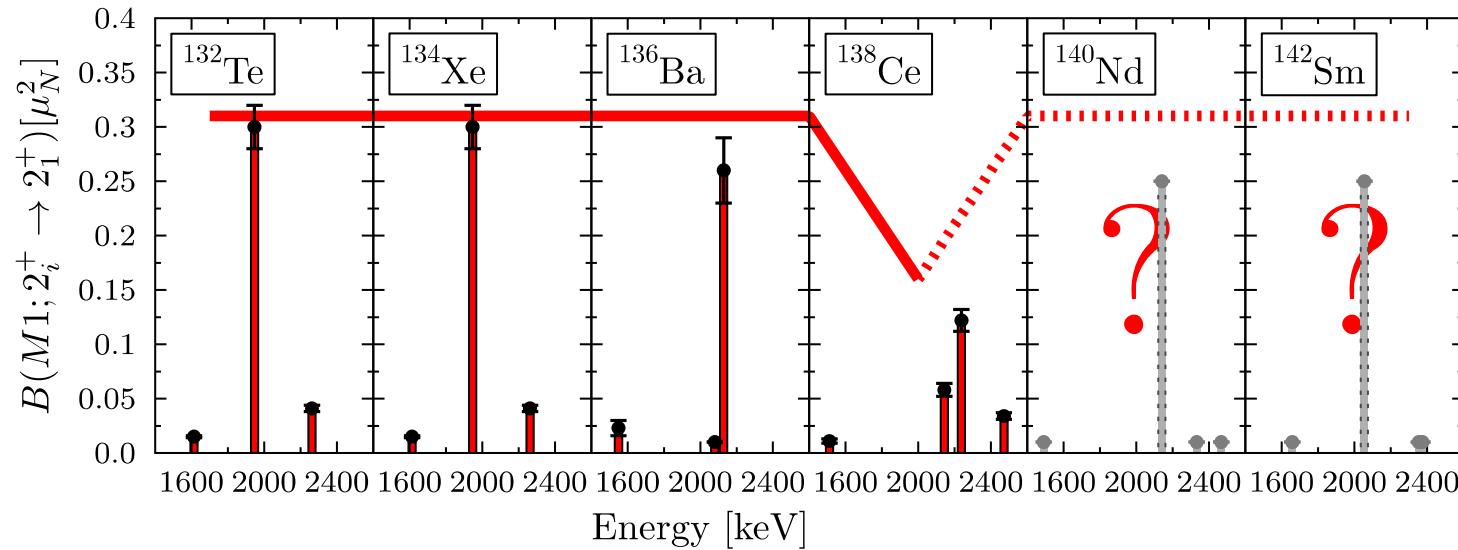
**C. Bauer *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 88, 021302 (2013)**

**R. Stegmann *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 91, 054326 (2015)**

# Preparation done: Proceed to IS546 $^{140}\text{Nd}$ and $^{142}\text{Sm}$ @ HIE-ISOLDE



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Is sub-shell closure at Z=58 responsible for fragmentation?  
Or does the increasing valence space dissolve the isovector structure?

HIE-ISOLDE (~4 MeV/u) enables us now to identify and quantitatively study MSSs of  $^{140}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{142}\text{Sm}$ : IS546

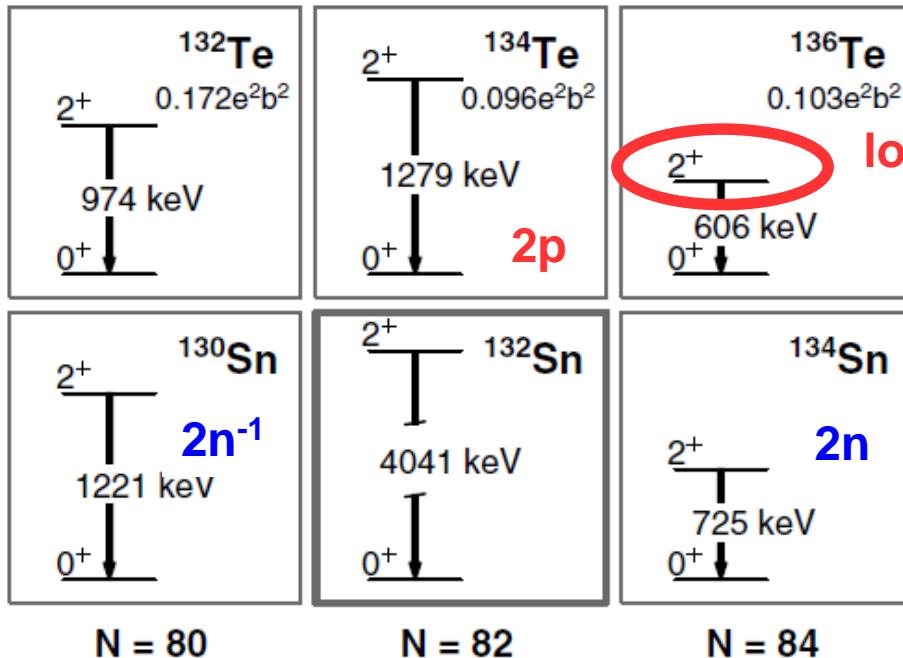


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# IS596

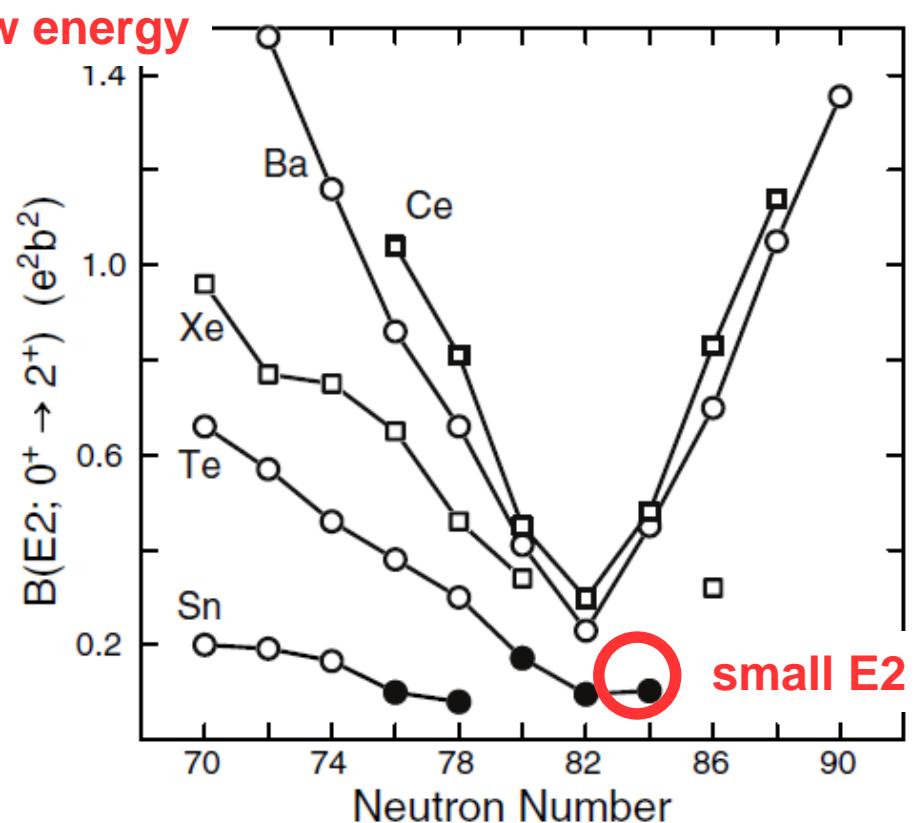
## Coulex of $^{136}\text{Te}$

# B(E2) “anomaly” in $^{136}\text{Te}$



Origin of the anomaly:  
Neutron dominance in the  $2_1^+$  wave function

low energy



## Shell Model:

N. Shimizu, T. Otsuka, T. Mizusaki, M. Honma,  
PRC 70, 054313 (2004)

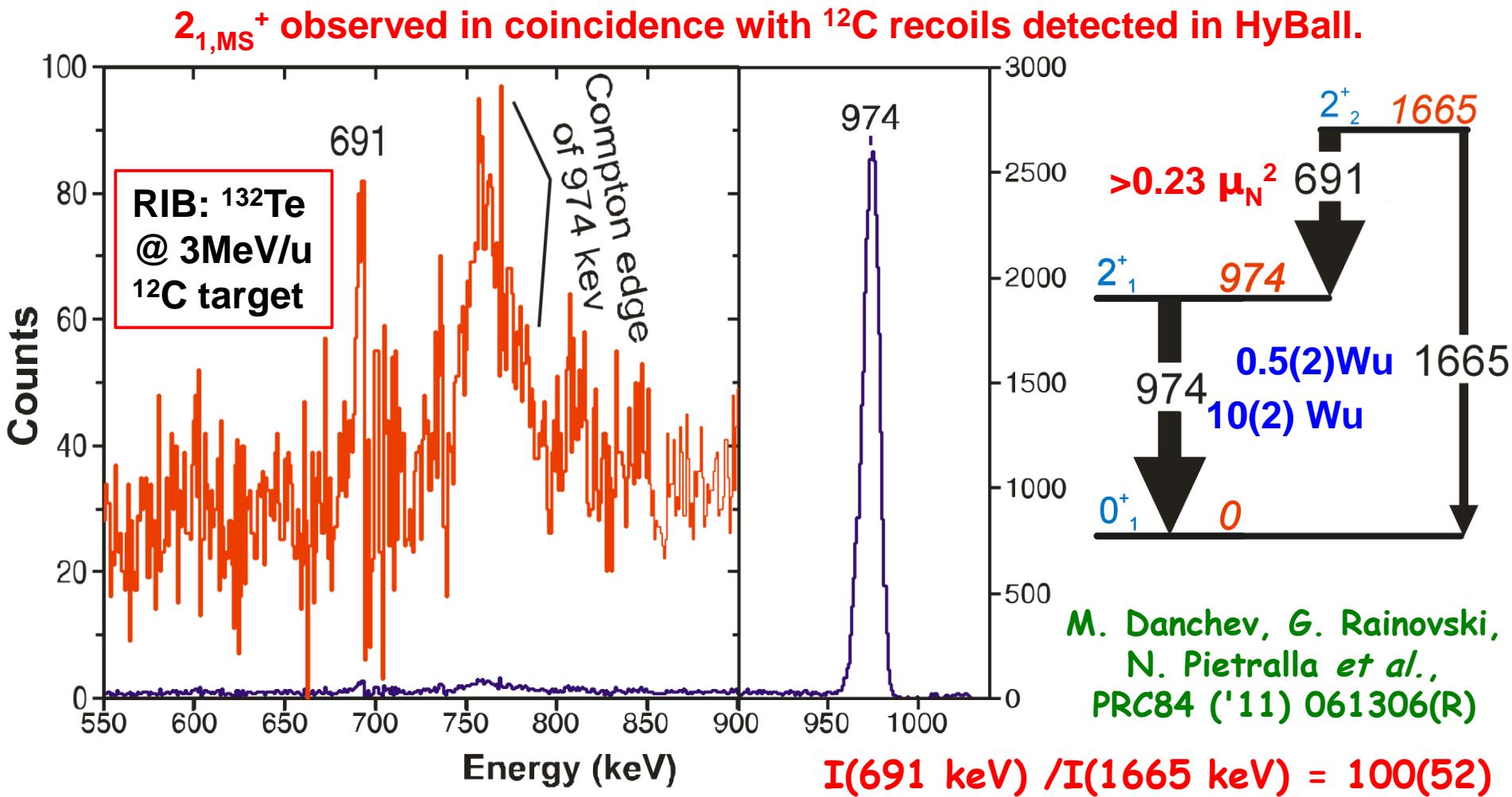
## QRPA:

J. Terasaki et al., PRC 66, 054313 (2002)

# Configurational Isospin Polarization $^{132}\text{Te}$ – first MS observation with RIB



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# Configurational Isospin Polarization the case of $^{132}\text{Te}$ – no CIP



## Shell model calculations

(A. Gargano, A. Covello)

### Interaction:

$V_{\text{low-}k}$  from the CD-Bonn potential, core –  $^{132}\text{Sn}$ ;

### Space:

$\{0g_{7/2}, 1d_{5/2}, 1d_{3/2}, 2s_{1/2}, 0h_{11/2}\}$   
for both protons and neutrons;

Observable	Experiment	Shell Model
$B(E2; 2^+_1 \rightarrow 0^+_1)$ [Wu]	10(1)	7.8
$\mu(2^+_1)$ [ $\mu_N$ ]	+0.92(10)	+0.68
$B(E2; 2^+_2 \rightarrow 0^+_1)$ [Wu]	0.5(1)	0.21
$B(E2; 2^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1)$ [Wu]	0 ÷ 20	0.24
$B(M1; 2^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1)$ [ $\mu_N^2$ ]	>0.23	0.20

$$|0^+_1\rangle = 0.94 |0^+_1\rangle_v |0^+_1\rangle_\pi + \dots$$

$$|2^+_1\rangle = 0.66 |0^+_1\rangle_v |2^+_1\rangle_\pi + 0.62 |2^+_1\rangle_v |0^+_1\rangle_\pi + \dots$$

$$|2^+_2\rangle = 0.58 |0^+_1\rangle_v |2^+_1\rangle_\pi - 0.63 |2^+_1\rangle_v |0^+_1\rangle_\pi + \dots$$

$$|0^+_1\rangle_v = |0^+_1; ^{130}\text{Sn}\rangle$$

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$$|0^+_1\rangle_\pi = |0^+_1; ^{134}\text{Te}\rangle$$

$$|2^+_1\rangle_\pi = |2^+_1; ^{134}\text{Te}\rangle$$

Almost balanced proton-neutron characters, i.e. no **CIP**

(J. D. Holt *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 76, 034325 (2007))

# CIP case predicted: $^{136}\text{Te}$



Skyrme-QPM: A.Severyukhin, N.Armenyev, N.Pietralla, V.Werner, PRC 90, 011306(R) (2014)

$2^+_1$  and  $2^+_2$  have significant  $E2 \rightarrow 1\text{-phonon states}$   
Strong M1 between them  $\rightarrow 2^+_2 = 2^+_{1,\text{MS}}$

$[2_1^+]_{\text{QRPA}} = \sim 86\%$  Neutron,  $[2_2^+]_{\text{QRPA}} \sim 68\%$  Proton (opposite pn-phase)

	$\lambda_i^\pi = 2^+$	Energy		Structure	$B(E2; 0_{gs}^+ \rightarrow 2_i^+)$		$B(E2; 2_i^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$		$B(M1; 2_i^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$	
		(MeV)	Expt.		Expt.	Theory	Expt.	Theory	Expt.	Theory
$^{136}\text{Te}$	$2_1^+$	0.606	0.92	97% $[2_1^+]_{\text{QRPA}}$	$1220 \pm 180$	1120				
	$2_2^+$	1.568	2.01	94% $[2_2^+]_{\text{QRPA}}$			740		20	0.51

Shell Model:

N. Shimizu *et al.*, PRC 70, 054313 (2004);

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D. Bianco *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 88, 024303 (2013);

Strongly broken *p-n* exchange symmetry

$^{136}\text{Te}$ :  $2_1^+$  neutron dominated

$2_2^+$  - “MS state”, proton domin.

„Smoking gun“ for reduced pn-interaction for cause of Te anomaly

# HIE-ISOLDE experiment IS546

## 42 shifts recommended by INTC

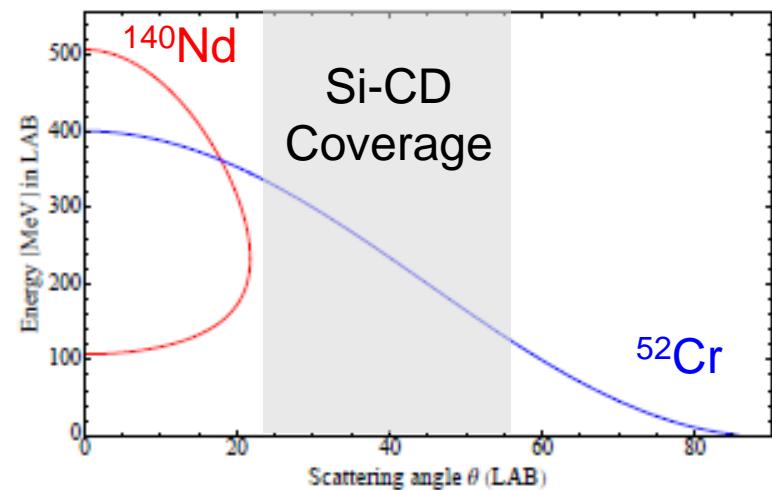


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Measure E/M matrix elements from Coulex yields using **MINIBALL + DSSD** ⇒  
**Quantitative identification of  $2^+$  MSSs of  $^{140}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{142}\text{Sm}$  via measurement of B(M1) strength**

- Model predictions for  $^{140}\text{Nd}$ : SM - Fragmented MSS      QPM: Single isolated MSS      } Shell stabilization of MSSs?
- Beam:  $^{140}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{142}\text{Sm}$  RILIS beams – **developed and tested!**
- Beam energy 3.62 MeV/u for  $^{52}\text{Cr}$  target or 4.5 MeV/u for  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  target (85% CB)

**Can run immediately!**



# HIE-ISOLDE experiment IS596

9 shifts recommended by INTC

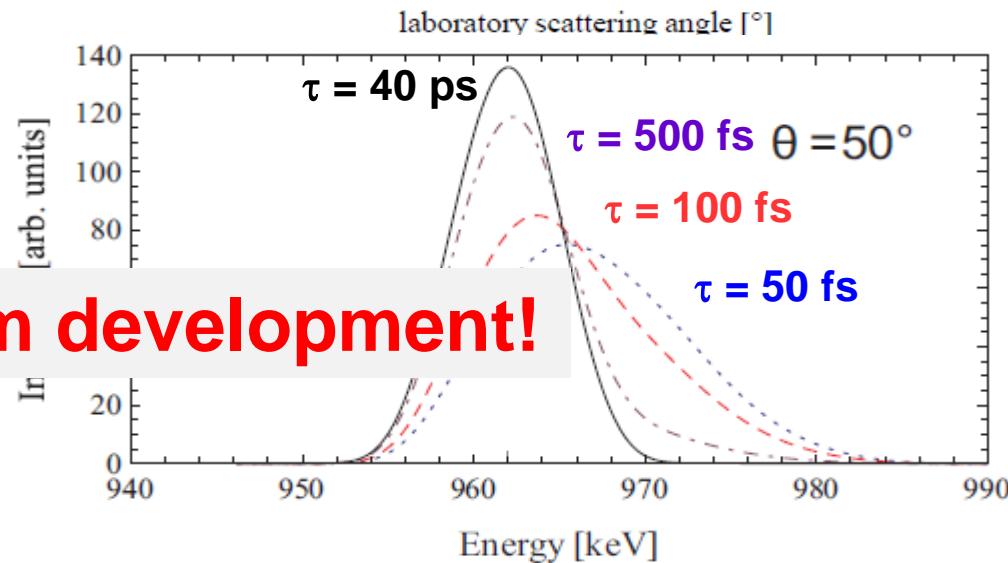
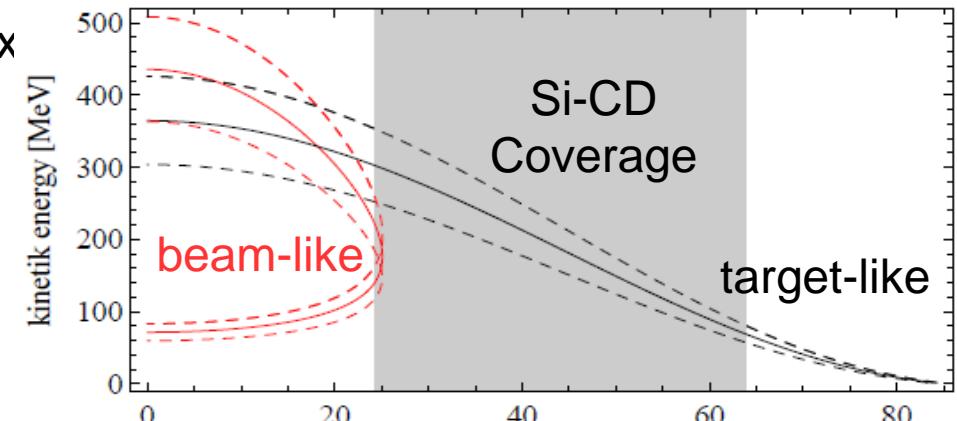
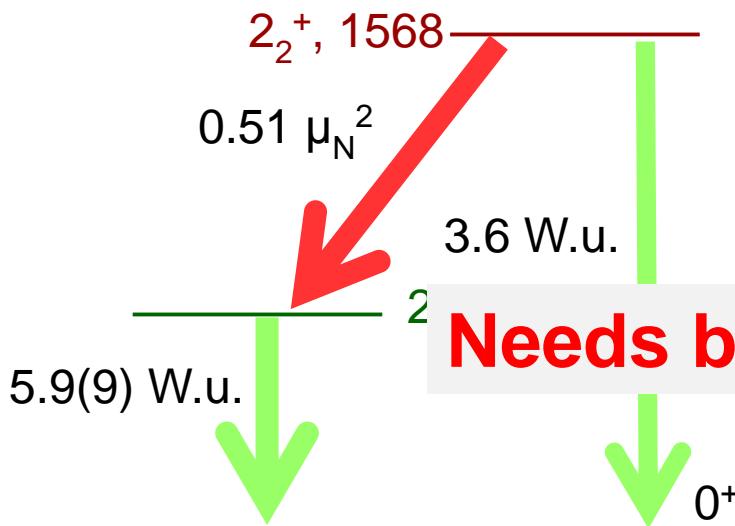


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Measure E/M matrix elements from Coulex  
yields using MINIBALL + DSSD

Primary target UC<sub>x</sub>/graphene, RILIS beam  
 $E_{beam} = 510$  MeV, target 3 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> <sup>58</sup>Ni

In addition, measure ~100 fs  $2_2^+$  lifetime  
through differential DSAM



**Needs beam development!**

# Scheduling



- G. Rainovski is CERN fellow in fall 2016
- Ideally, we would like to run both experiments a.s.a.p.
- $^{140}\text{Nd}$ ,  $^{142}\text{Sm}$  is straight forward (42 shifts)
- $^{136}\text{Te}$  is scientifically more urgent (9 sh.; 3 sh. beam + 6 sh. production)
- Te beam needs further development
- status of HIE-ISOLDE accelerator module?
- Thank you!



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# Backup slides

# REX-ISOLDE experiment IS496

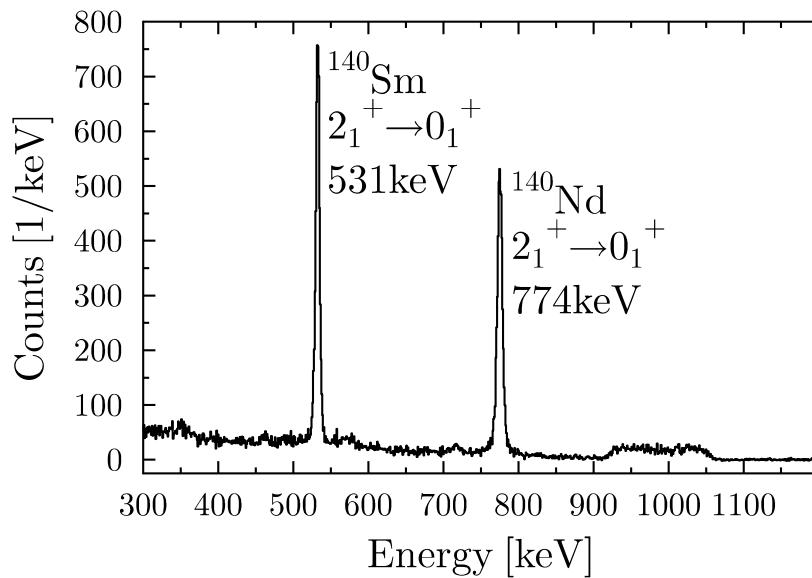
## Contamination analysis



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### $^{140}\text{Nd}$

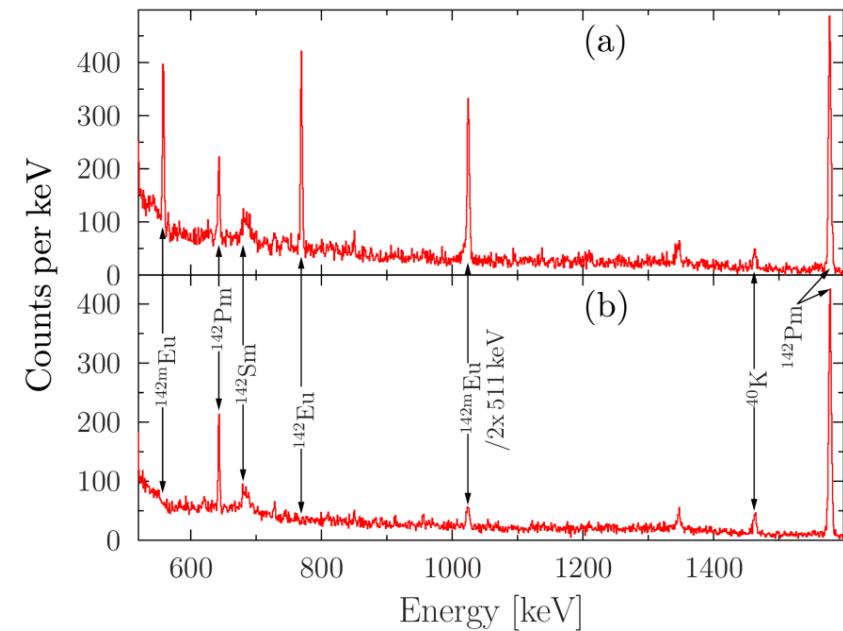
- Beam contamination of  $^{140}\text{Sm}$



- Treatment via comparison of laser on / laser off run

### $^{142}\text{Sm}$

- Contamination of  $^{142}\text{Eu}$  and  $^{142}\text{Pm}$



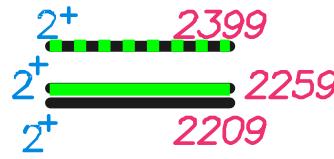
- Treatment via decay analysis at beginning and end of experiment

# $^{140}\text{Nd}$ status



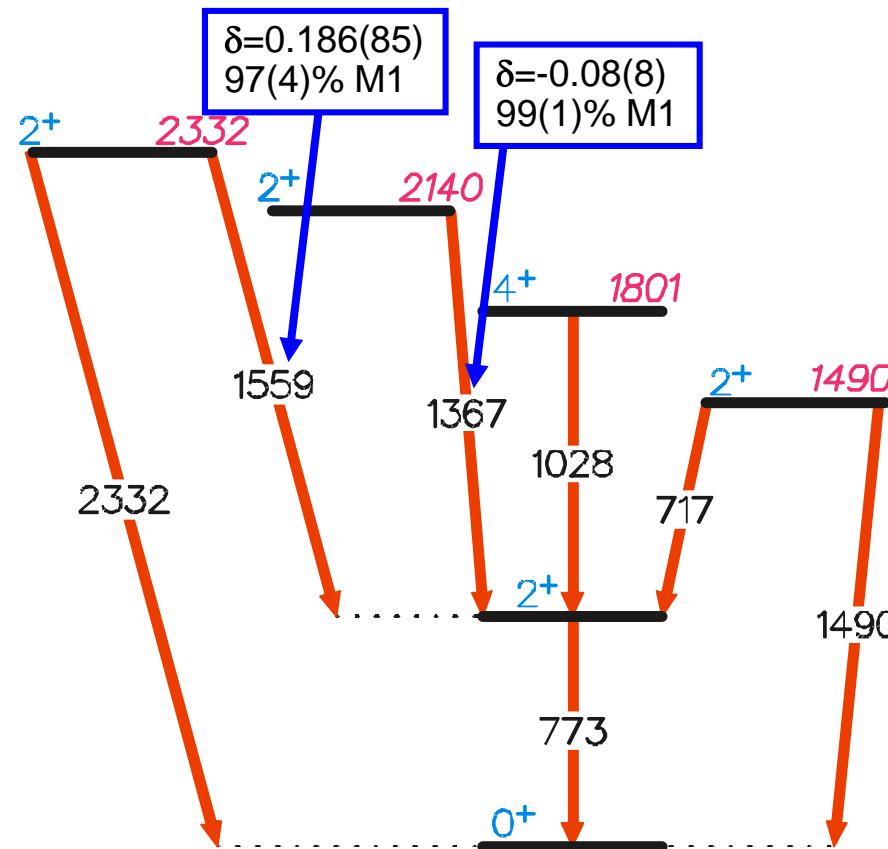
## QPM predictions

Ch. Stoyanov, private communication



## Experiment

E. Williams et al., PRC 80, (2009) 054309  
K. Gladnishki, PRC 82, (2010) 037302



## SM predictions

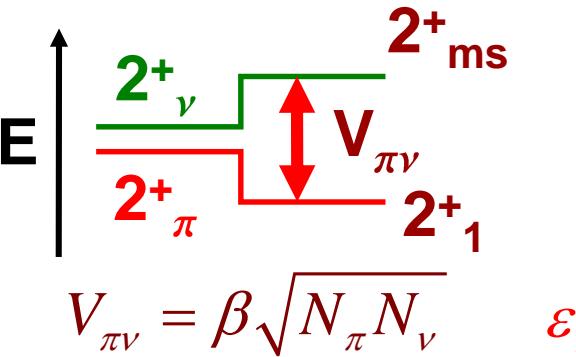
K. Sieja et al.,  
PRC 80, (2009) 054311



# Evolution of the one-phonon $2^+_{1,ms}$ in N=80 isotones



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$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_\pi & V_{\pi\nu} \\ V_{\pi\nu} & \varepsilon_\nu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_\nu(N=80) = \text{const} = E(2^+_1, {}^{130}\text{Sn}) = 1221 \text{ keV}$$

$$\varepsilon_\pi = a + b(N_\pi - 1) \quad a = \varepsilon_\pi(N_\pi = 1) = E_{2^+_1}({}^{134}\text{Te}) = 1279 \text{ keV}$$

$$E(2^+_{1,ms}) = E_{AV} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(\varepsilon_\pi - \varepsilon_\nu)^2 + \beta^2 N_\pi}$$

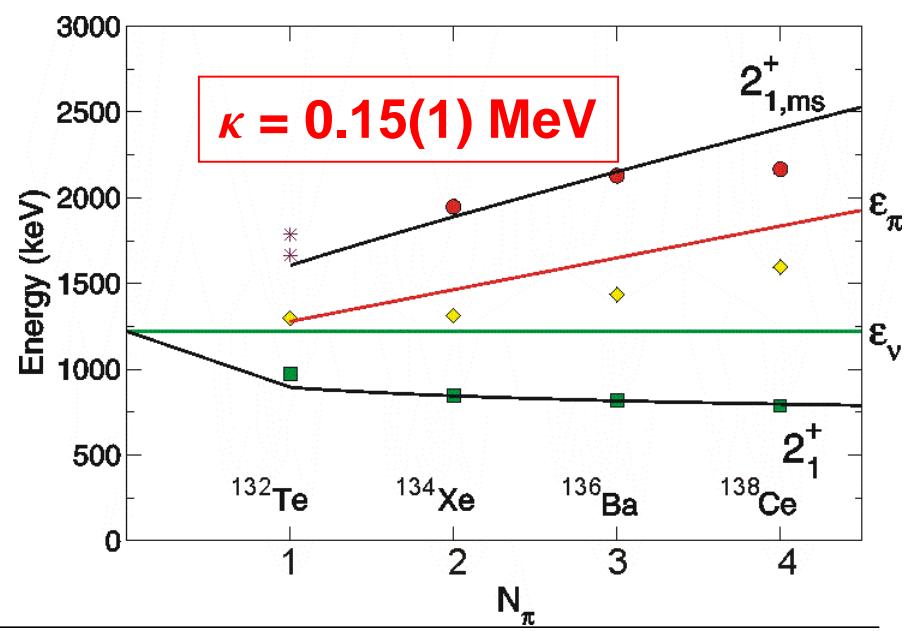
$$E(2^+_1) = E_{AV} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(\varepsilon_\pi - \varepsilon_\nu)^2 + \beta^2 N_\pi}$$

$$\beta = 0.35(1) \text{ MeV} \quad b = 0.23(4) \text{ MeV}$$

$$V_{\pi\nu} = \langle 2^+_\pi | -\kappa Q_\pi Q_\nu | 2^+_\nu \rangle \xrightarrow{j \rightarrow \infty} (12/5)\kappa$$

T. Ahn, L. Coquard, N. Pietralla et al.,  
Phys. Lett. B 679, 19 (2010)

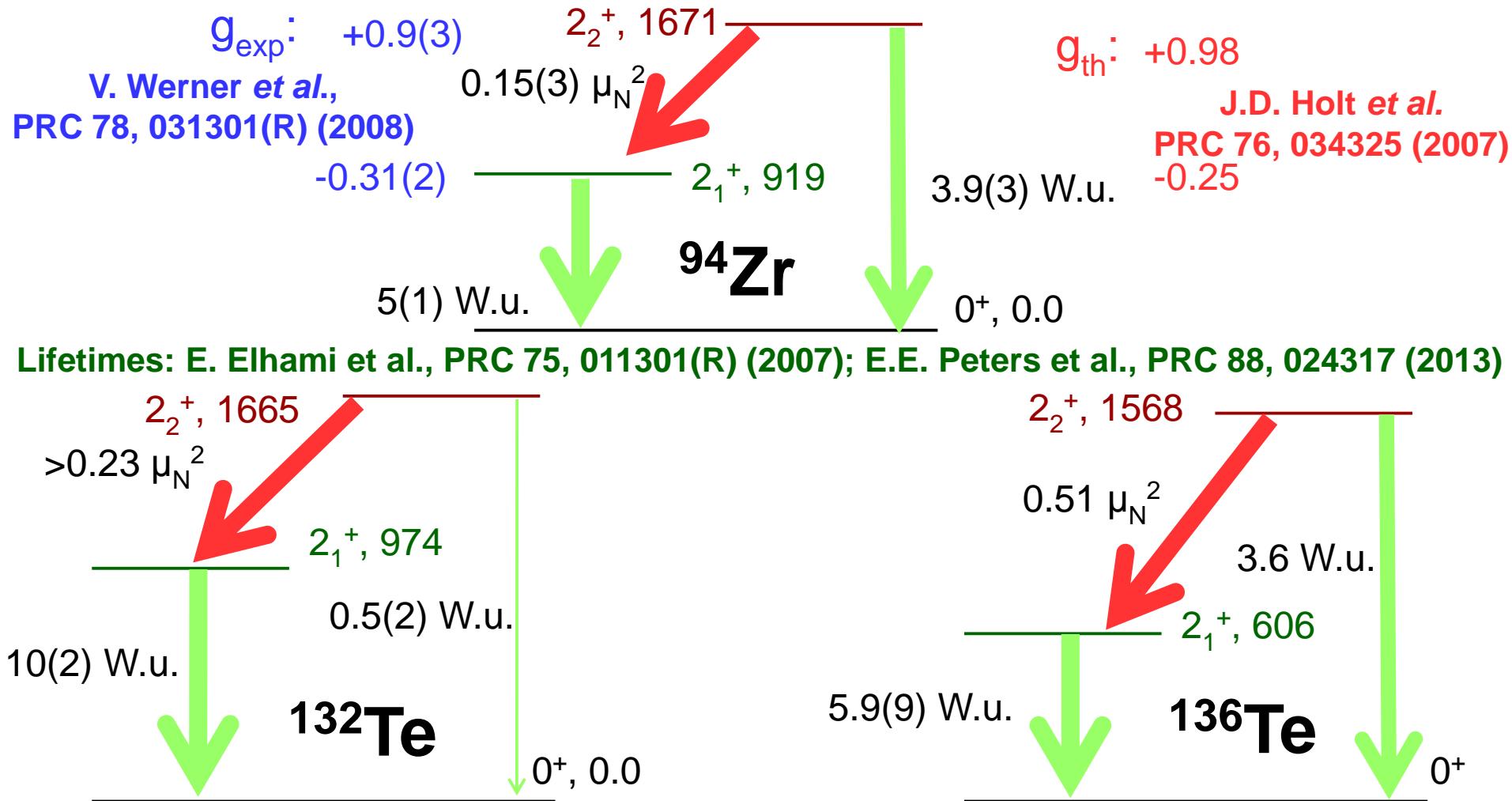
K. Heyde and J. Sau  
Phys. Rev. C, 33, 1050(1986)



# CIP in $^{94}\text{Zr}$ vs. $^{132,136}\text{Te}$



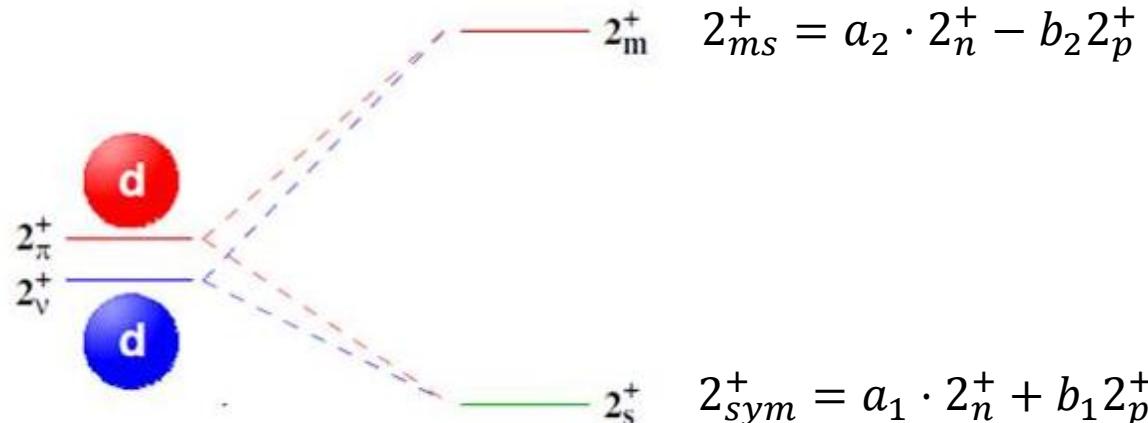
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# Configurational Isospin Polarization



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**protons and neutrons contribute about equally: large mixing**

$$| a_i | \approx | b_i |$$

**imbalance in proton and neutron contributions: small mixing**

$$| a_i | \neq | b_i |$$

**observables which are sensitive to p/n content:  
B(E2)'s and M1**