

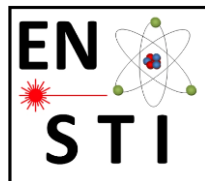


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MEDICIS-PROduced radioisotope beams for MEDicine

**Summer School on PET-aided Hadron therapy @ CNAO**

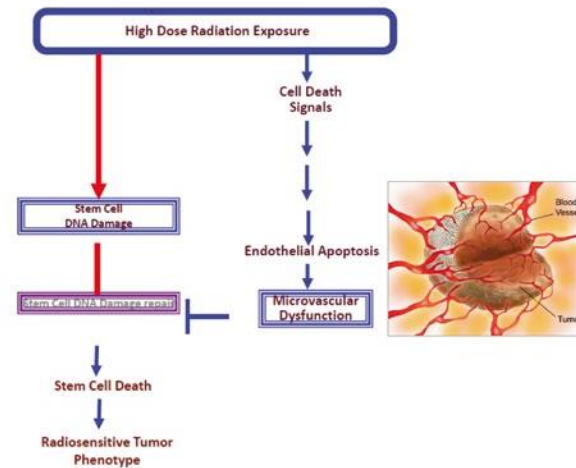
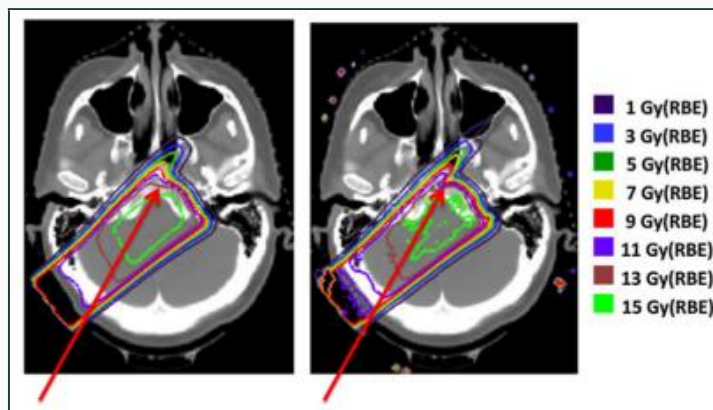


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# How to neutralize cancer tissues

**Brute force** : Remove or destroy cancer tissue, e.g. by irradiation, and spare healthy tissue

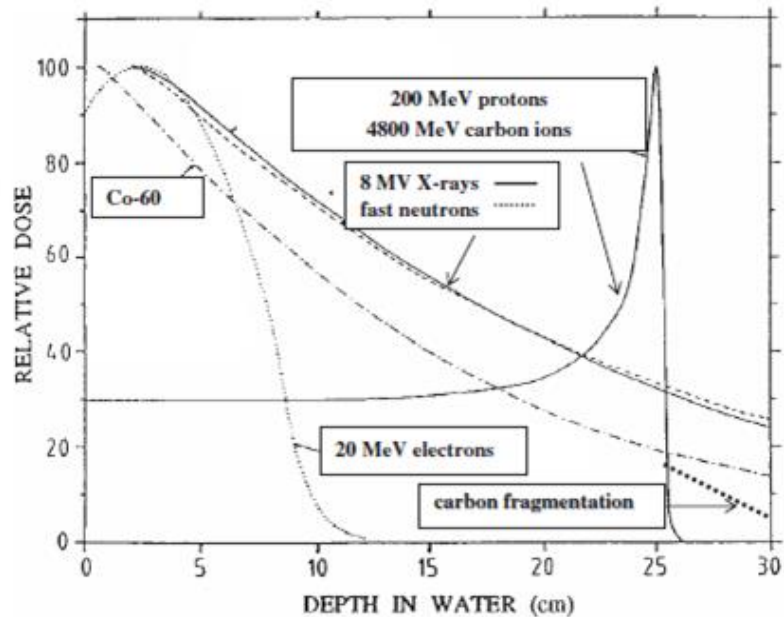
Sometimes, not that simple



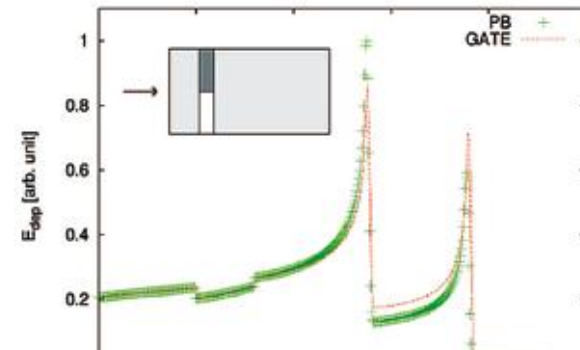
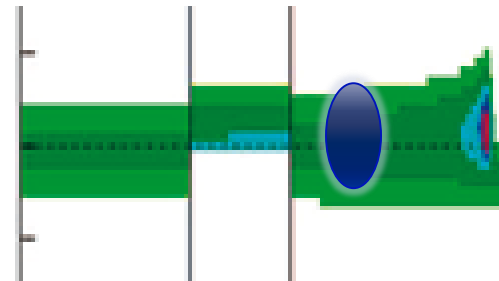
NuPECC Nuclear Physics for Medicine  
(2014)

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# Advantage of Ion beams (hadron therapy) : Bragg peak for local dose delivery

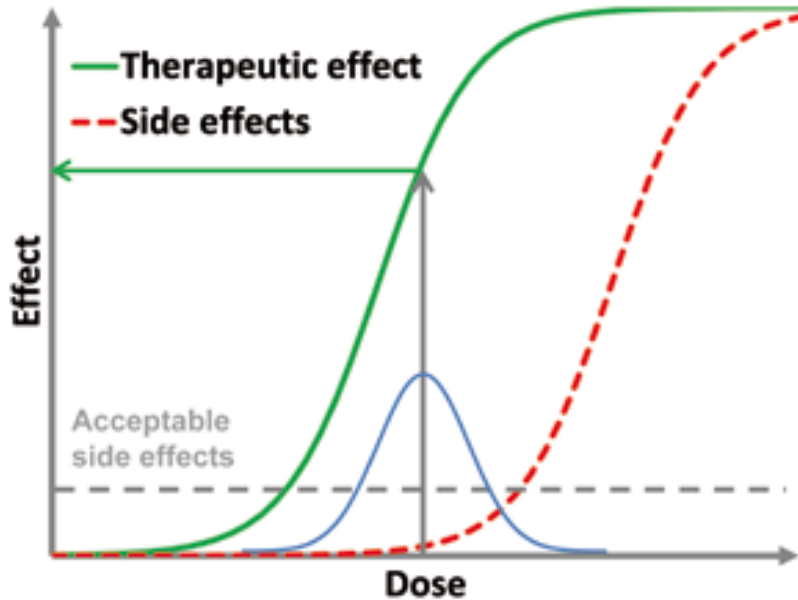


U.Amaldi, G.Kraft,  
Rep.Prog.Phys.68,1861(2005)



Needs simulation tools, e.g Monte Carlo

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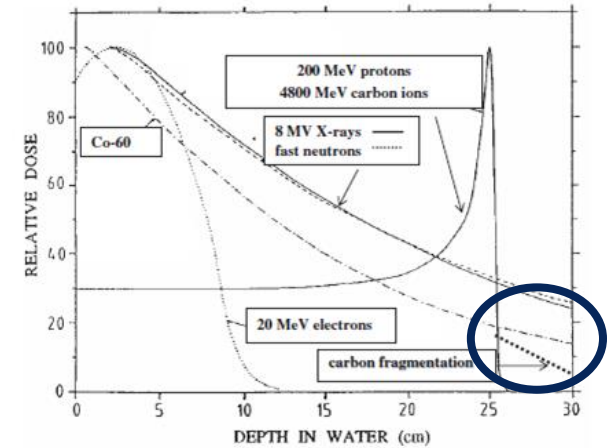
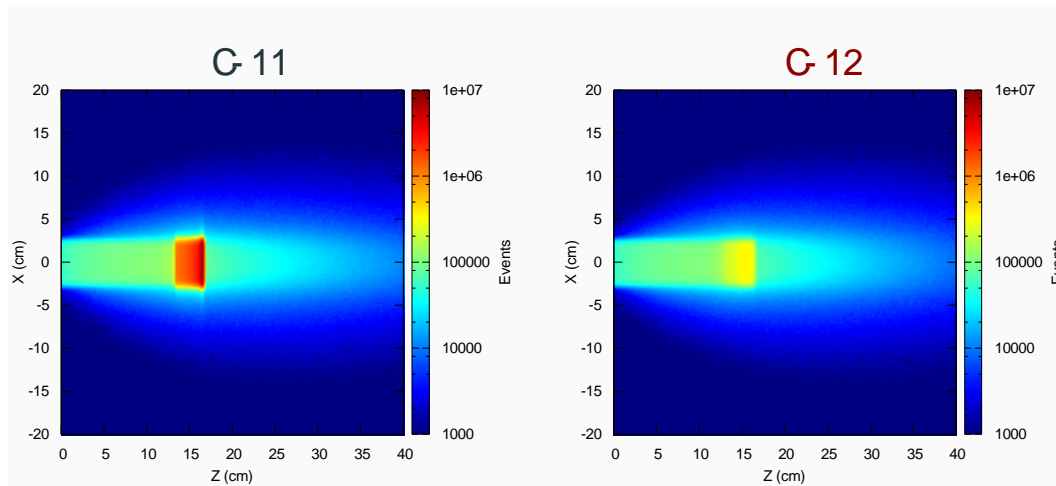
Here again,  
Sometime not so simple Relative  
Biological Effectiveness (RBE) links to  
physical dose



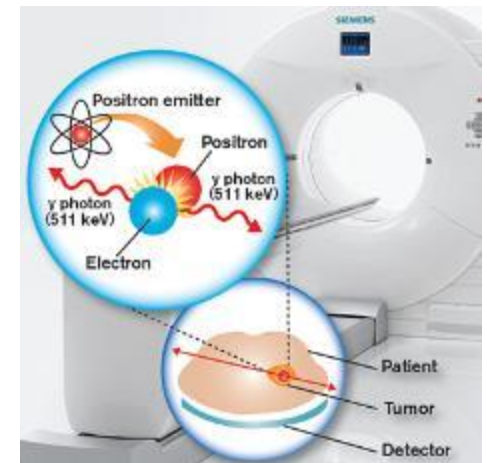
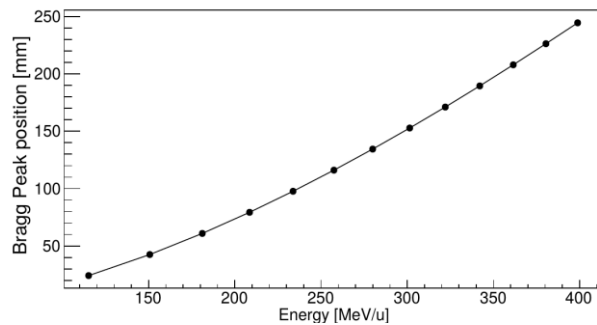
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# PET Ion beams for Hadron therapy

Comparison of in-beam PET with fragment  $^{12}\text{C}$  ( $^{11}\text{C}$ ,  $^{15}\text{O}$ ) and direct  $^{11}\text{C}$  use



Simulations by R. Augusto et al. : 10x stronger signal !!

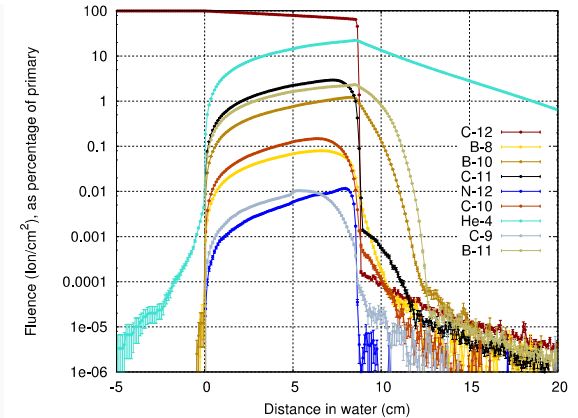
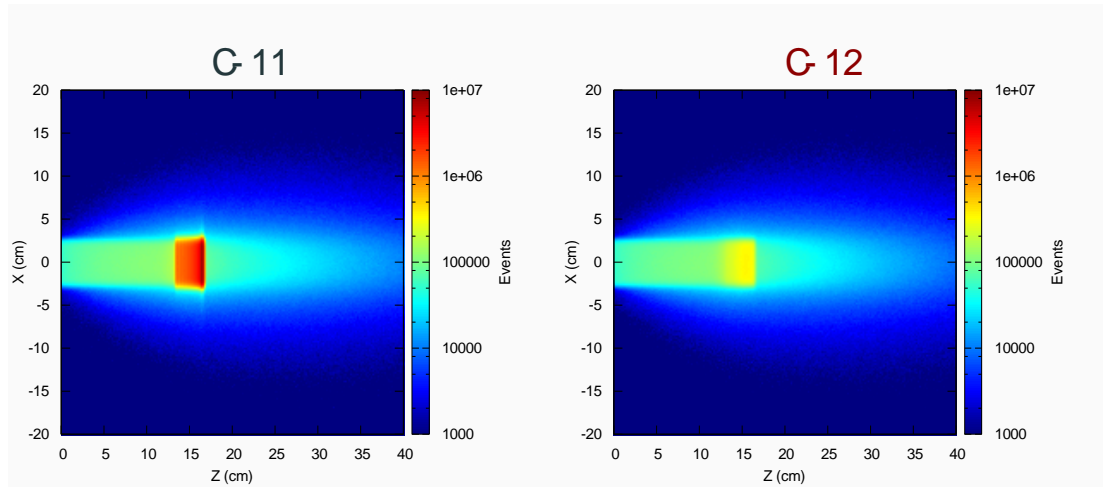


KyungDon Choi, "ESR-9 of MEDICIS-Promed", CNAO: Personalized  $^{11}\text{C}$  PET aided hadron therapy

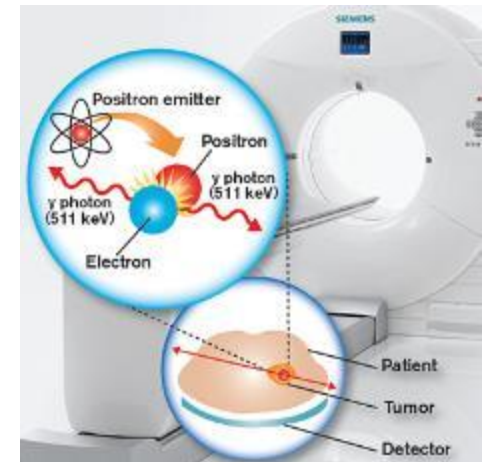
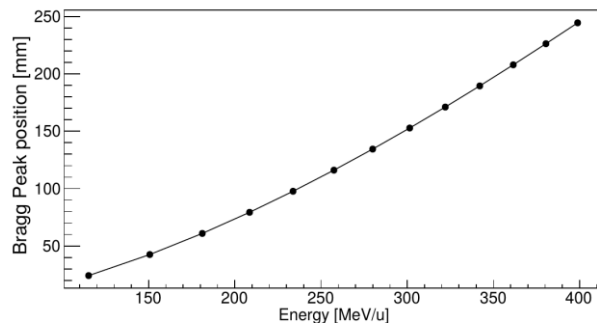
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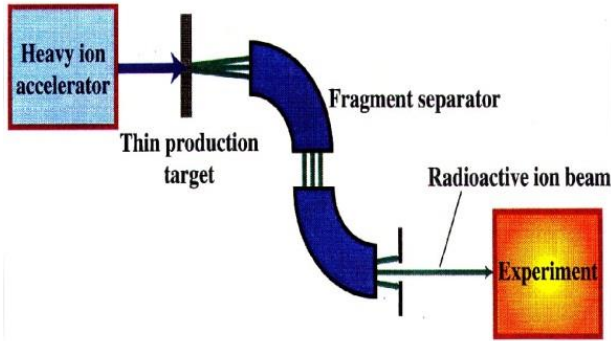


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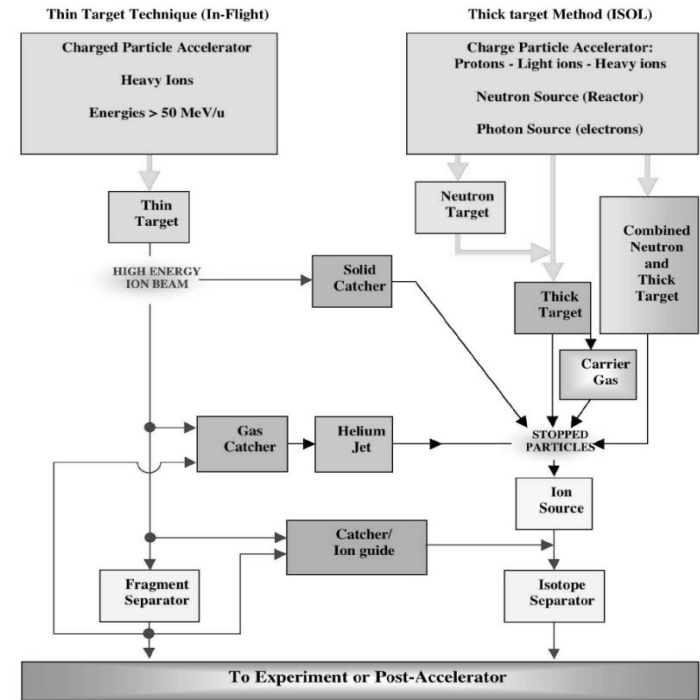
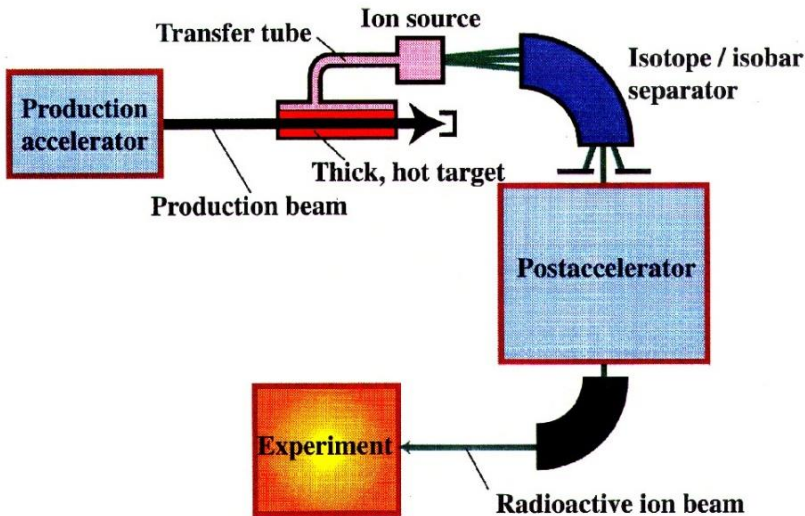
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# The main ingredients :An accelerator for isotope production + isotope acceleration/separation

## Projectile Fragmentation

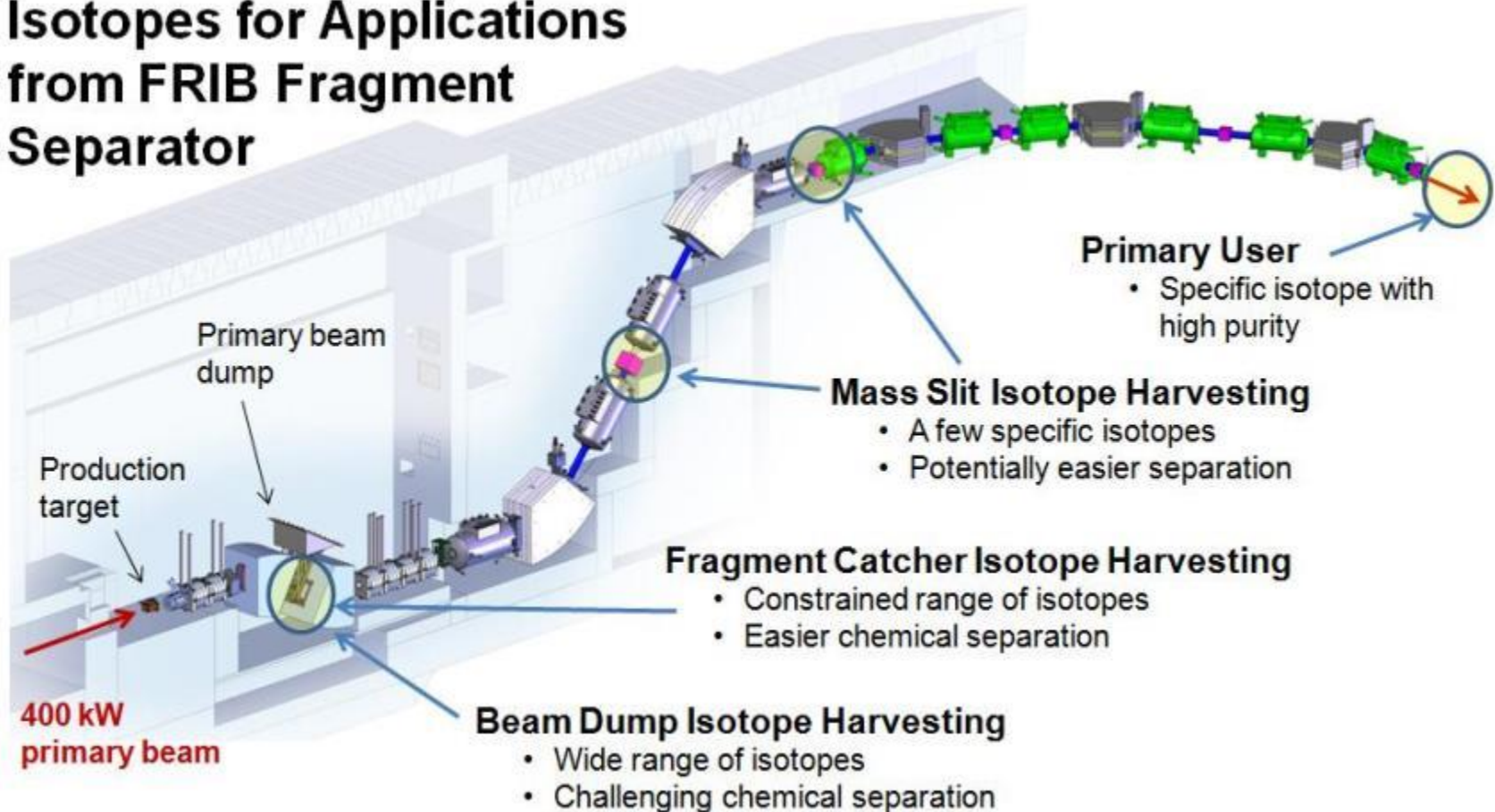


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# A large fragment separator : FRIB under construction at MSU (USA)

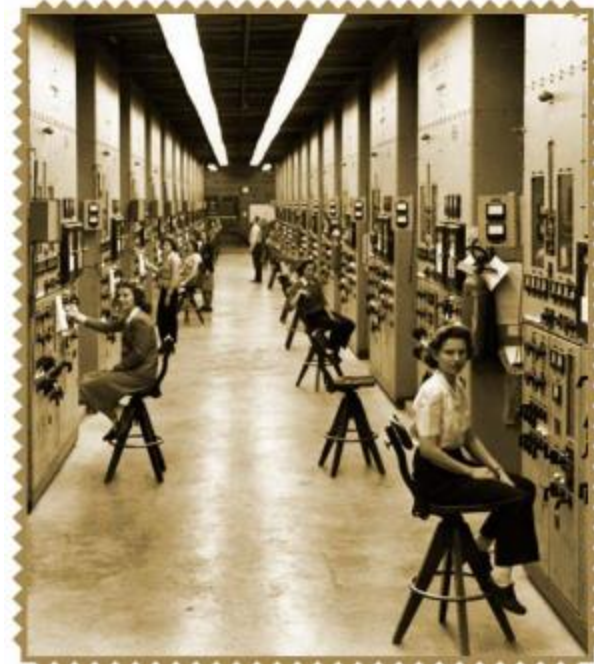
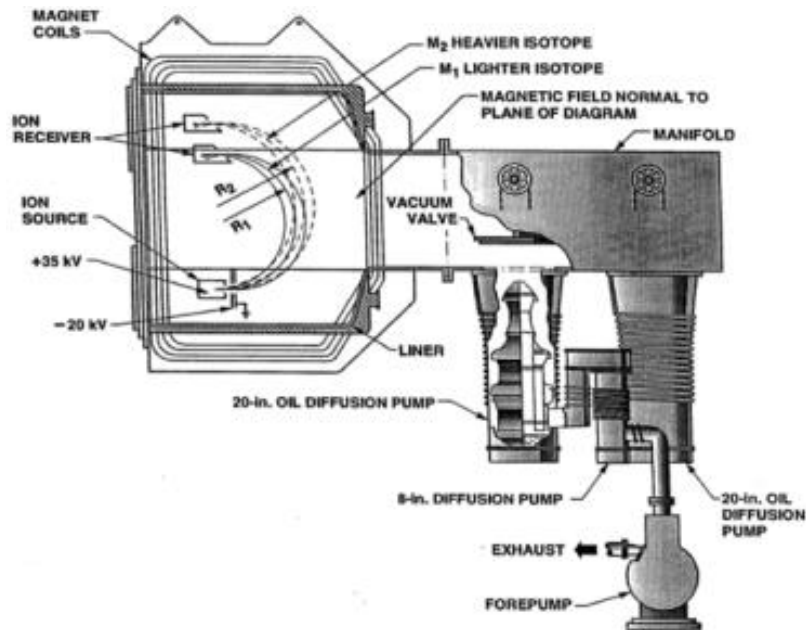
## Isotopes for Applications from FRIB Fragment Separator





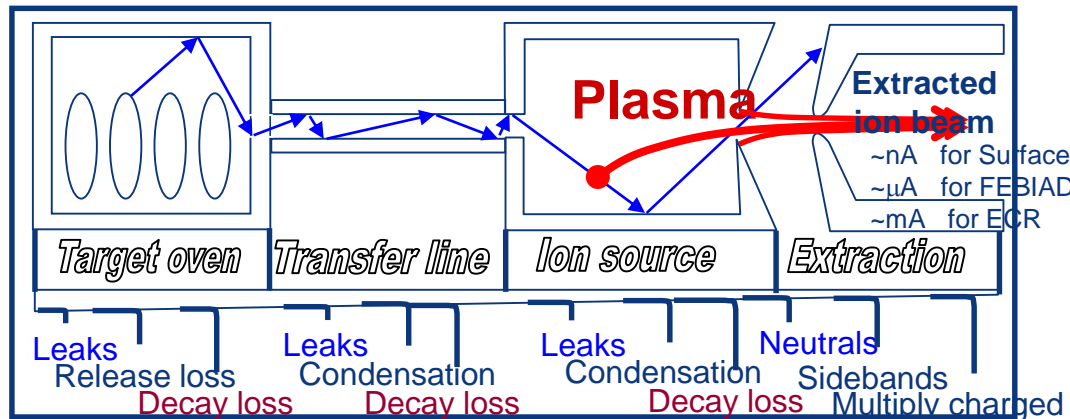
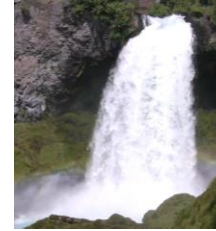
# Isotope mass separation with long-lived isotopes\*

The Calutron (E. Lawrence) used during 2<sup>nd</sup> world-war



\* are  $^{11}\text{C}$  or  $^{15}\text{O}$  PET isotopes long-lived ?

# Losses in radioactive beam production

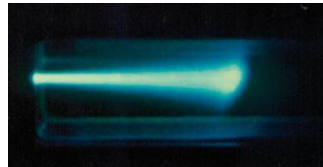


Make sure you collect a large fraction and fast, before it is decayed !

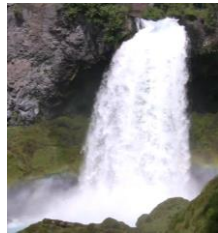


*H. Ravn and W. Brian  
"On-line mass separators.  
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# Accelerator components and concepts are required



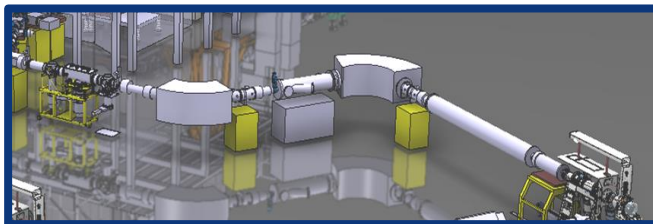
Gas target  
( $N_2$   $^{14}N(p,\alpha)^{11}CO_2$ )



$^{11}C$  isotope production  
S. Segemann ESR11



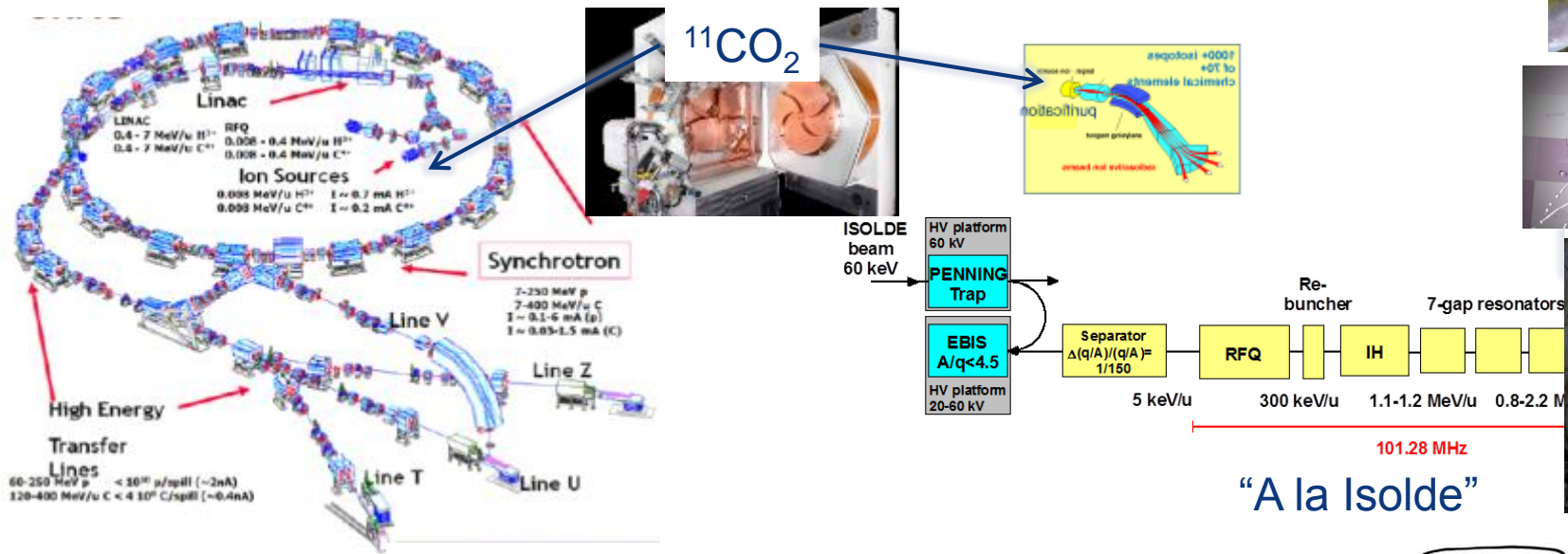
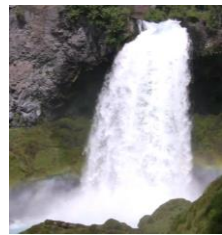
Ion Source,  
J. Pitters, ESR3



Break-up and trapping,  
A. Ringvall-Moberg, ESR1

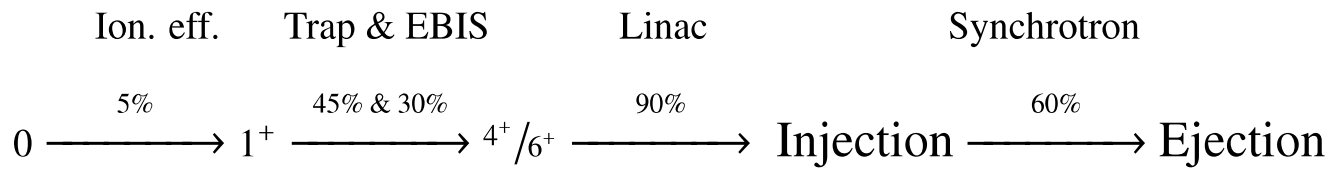


# Possible acceleration schemes : efficiencies matter



“A la Isolde”

## Directly in the ECRIS



Main parameters for <sup>11</sup>C production.

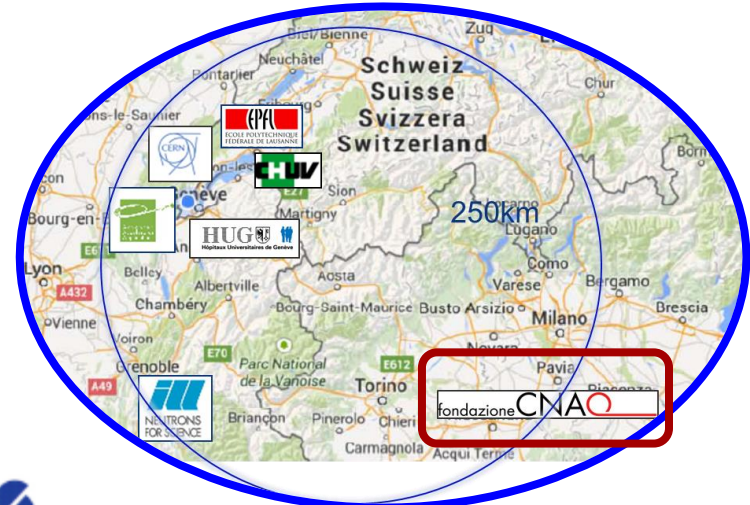
Method	Cyclotron		Target	Reaction	In target production [pps]	Trap charging time (ms)	Injector [p/injection cycle]	Injector repetition rate [Hz]
	E [MeV]	I [μA]						
PET production (production batch)	22	150	N <sub>2</sub> (≤1 atm)	<sup>14</sup> N(p,α) <sup>11</sup> C	3 × 10 <sup>10</sup>	741	1.5 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.3
REX-ISOLDE (ISOL)	70	1200	NaF:LiF eutectic	<sup>19</sup> F(p,2xn) <sup>11</sup> C	4 × 10 <sup>11</sup>	56	1.5 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	18



• T.M. Mendonca et al., CERN-ACC-2014-C  
S. Hojo, et al. NIMB 240, 75 (2005).

• R. Augusto et al NIMB, 376, 374 (2016)





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I wish you a very successful summer school hosted by CNAO!!!

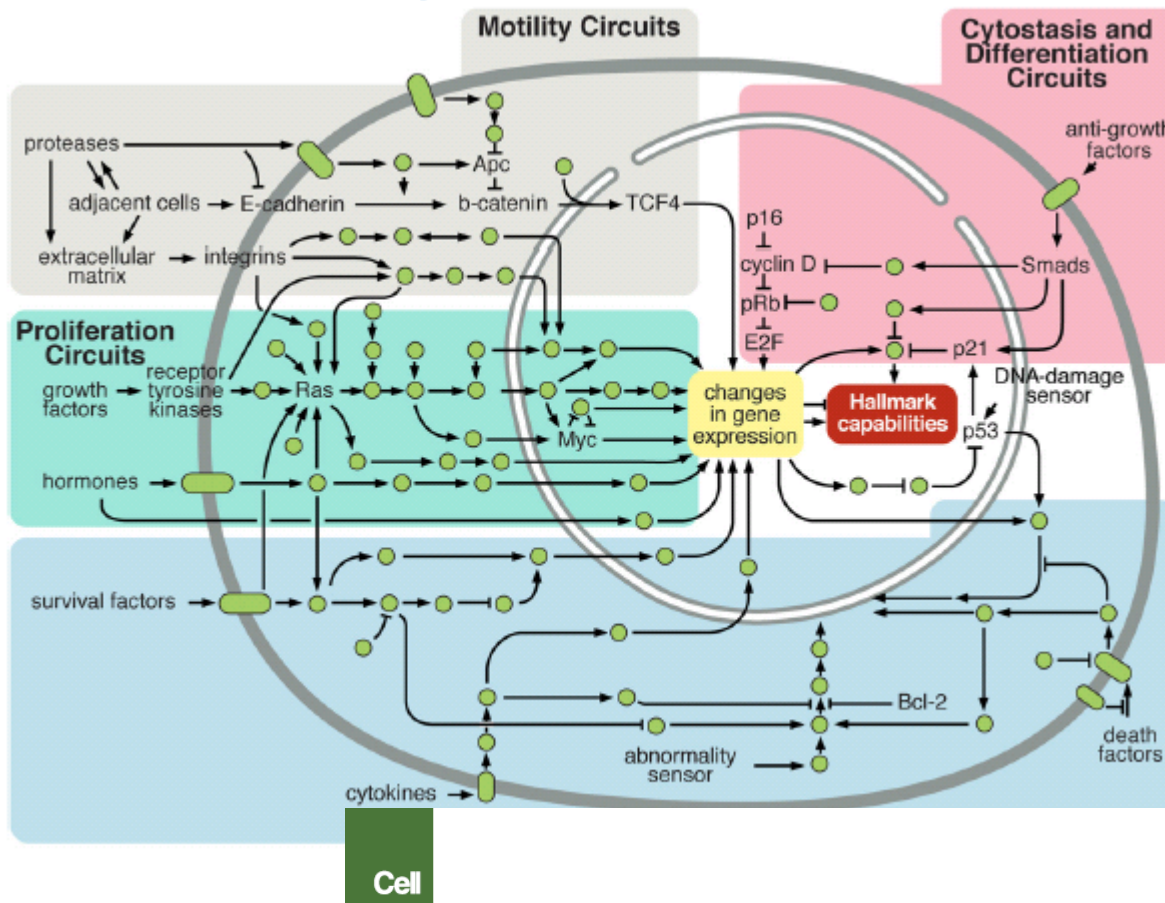


"Noah, tell me again who's your project sponsor?"



# RESERVE

# Cancer regulation pathways: « it's simple »



## Disruptions of Negative-Feedback Mechanisms that Attenuate Proliferative Signaling

Yet another example involves the mTOR kinase, a coordinator of cell growth and metabolism that lies both upstream and downstream of the PI3K pathway. In the circuitry of some cancer cells, mTOR activation results, via negative feedback, in the inhibition of PI3K signaling. Thus, when mTOR is pharmacologically inhibited in such cancer cells (such as by the drug rapamycin), the associated loss of negative feedback results in increased activity of PI3K and its effector Akt/PKB, thereby blunting the antiproliferative effects of mTOR inhibition (Sudarsanam and Johnson, 2010; O'Reilly et al., 2006). It is likely that compromised negative-feedback loops in this and other signaling pathways will prove to be widespread among human cancer cells and serve as an important means by which these cells can achieve proliferative independence. Moreover, disruption of such self-attenuating signaling may contribute to the development of adaptive resistance toward drugs targeting mitogenic signaling.

Leading Edge  
Review

## Hallmarks of Cancer: The Next Generation

Douglas Hanahan<sup>1,2,\*</sup> and Robert A. Weinberg<sup>3,\*</sup>

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<sup>3</sup>Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Ludwig/MIT Center for Molecular Oncology, and MIT Department of Biology, Cambridge, MA 02142, USA

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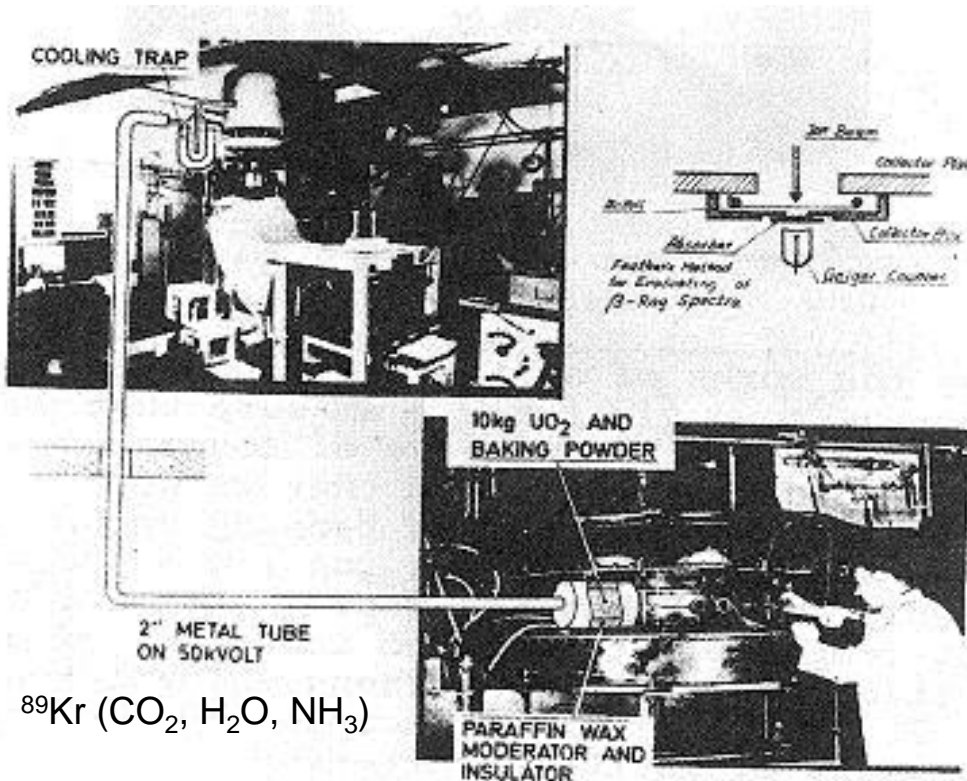
# THE BIRTH OF ON-LINE ISOTOPE SEPARATION

## ISOLDE "0"

*O. Kofoed-Hansen*

*K.O. Nielsen*

*Dan. Mat.Fys.Medd. 26, no. 7 (1951)*



10 MeV deuterons  
d-to-n converter (Be)  
n moderator (wax)  
UO<sub>2</sub> (10 kg)  
Baking powder

*CERN 76-13, 3<sup>rd</sup> conf. nuclei far from stability*

# ISOL Beam intensities



RIB intensity [s<sup>-1</sup> μA<sup>-1</sup>]

Proton beam Intensity [s<sup>-1</sup> μA<sup>-1</sup>]

Avogadro Numb.

Diffusion+ Effusion Efficiency

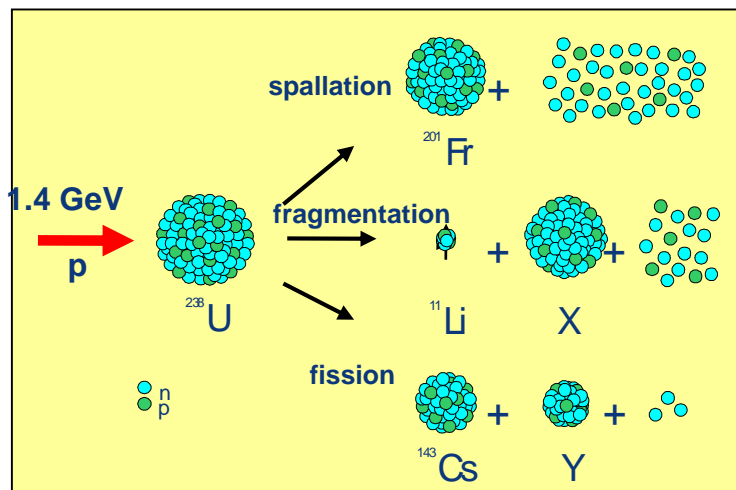
$$I = \int \sigma(E) \Phi(E, x) \rho(x) \frac{N/A}{\text{Target}} dx \varepsilon_{\text{diff + eff}} \varepsilon_{\text{ion}}$$

Cross section [cm<sup>2</sup>]

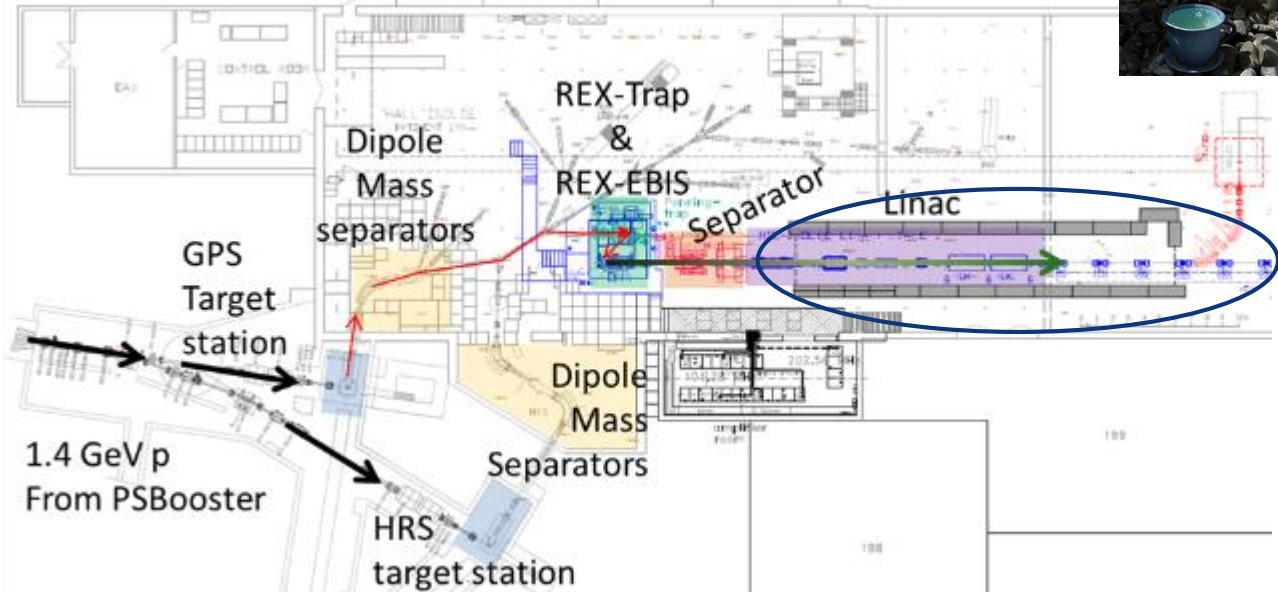
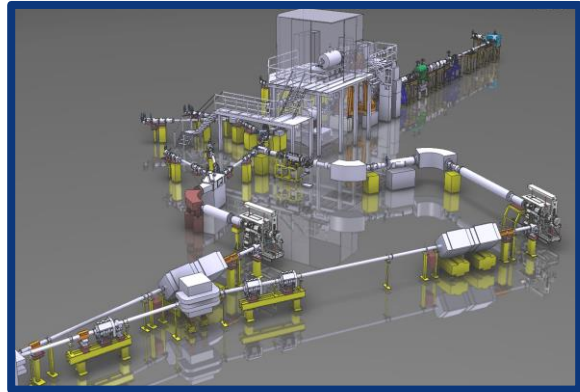
Target density [g cm<sup>-3</sup>]

Atomic Mass [g]

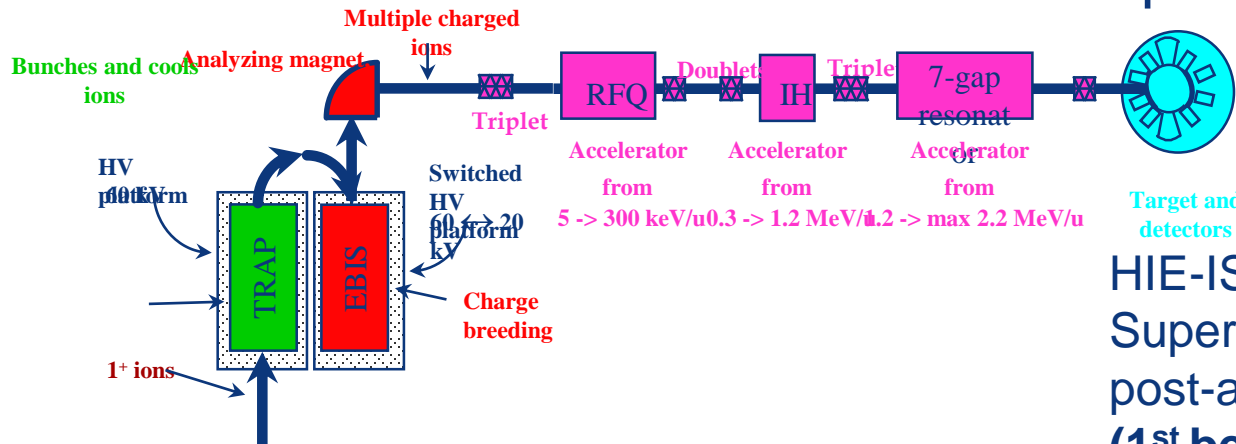
Ionization Efficiency



# Isotope mass separation and post acceleration



## REX-ISOLDE radioactive ion beam post-accelerator



**HIE-ISOLDE:**  
Superconducting  
post-accelerator  
(1<sup>st</sup> beam in 2015)

ISOLDE



# A dedicated mass separation facility for medical applications

