

Experiment IS550 P-344:

Study of the di-nuclear system $^A\text{Rb} + {}^{209}\text{Bi}$

$$(Z_1 + Z_2 = 120)$$

Status report

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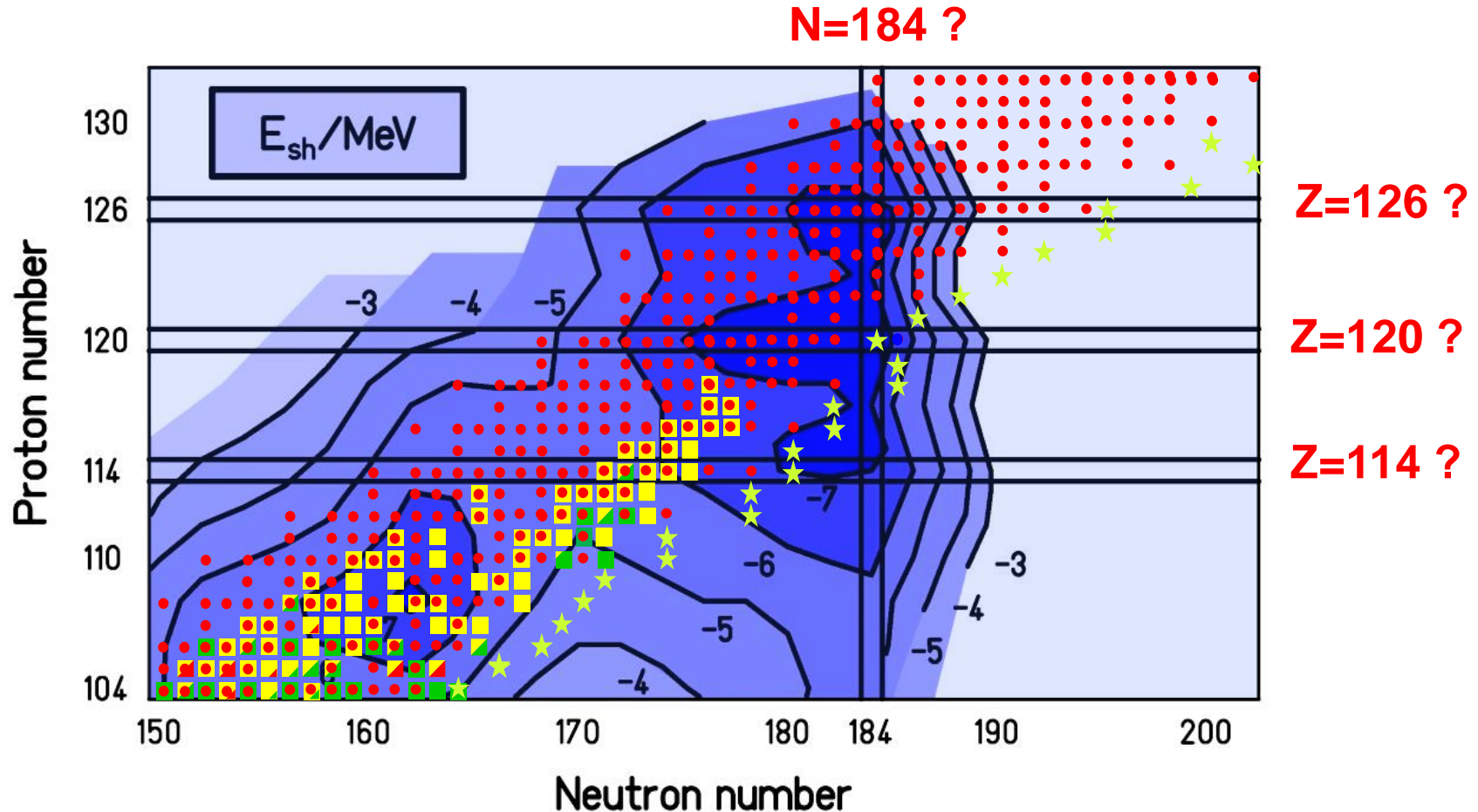
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7th and 8th November 2018

CERN, Geneva

Magic numbers in superheavy nuclei ?



- fusion with stable projectiles
- ★ fusion with RIBs

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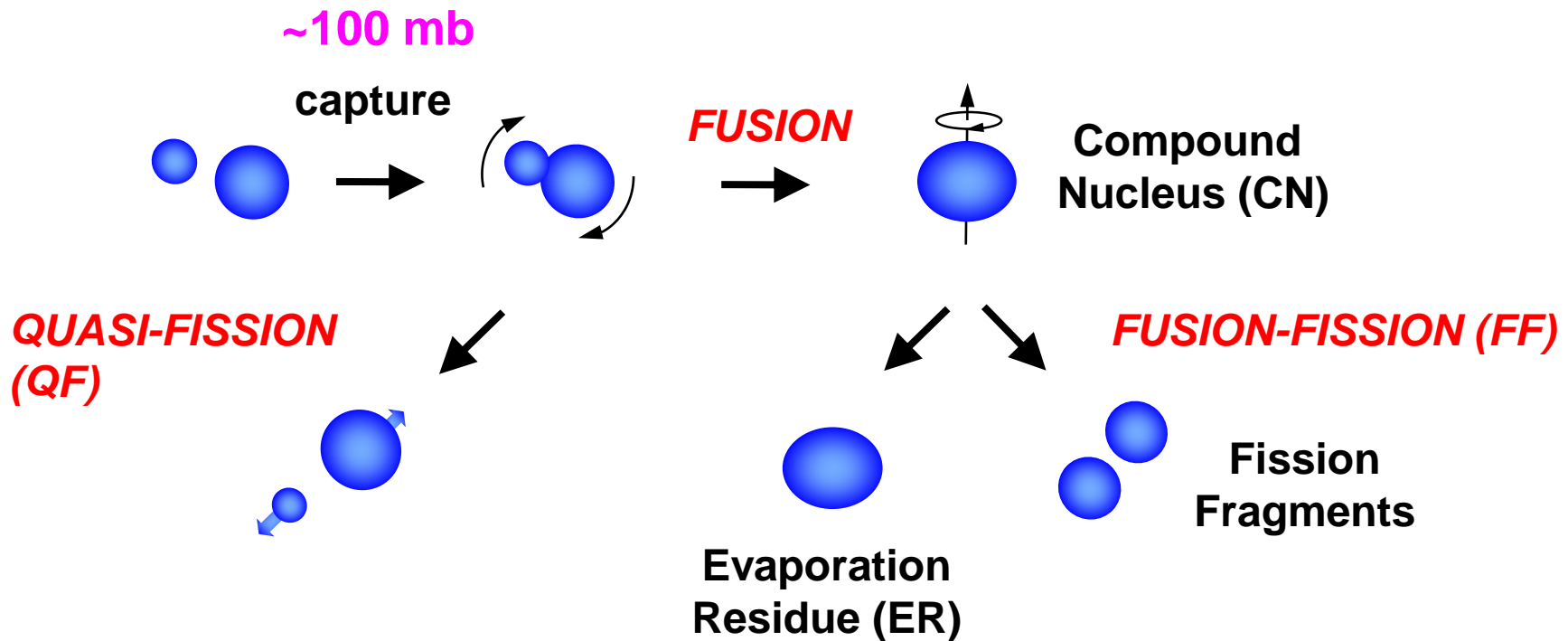
Problem:

- Nuclear systems with $N = 184$ cannot be reached in fusion reactions with stable beams
- Fusion reactions with RIBs lead to $N=184$, but beam intensities are too small for cross-sections $\sigma < 1$ pb

Approach:

Study of **quasi-fission** and **fusion-fission** with RIBs

The Fusion Process in Heavy Systems

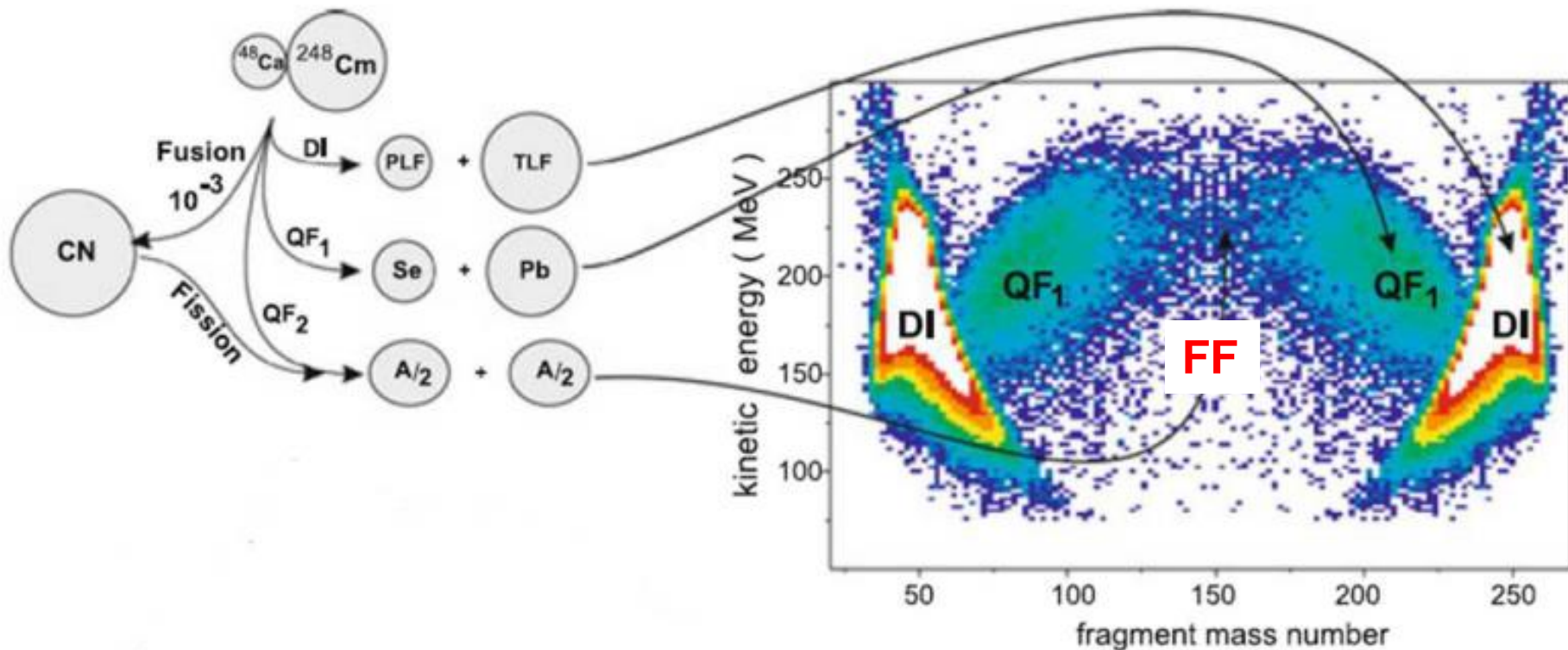


$$\sigma_{\text{ER}} = \sigma_{\text{capture}} \cdot P_{\text{CN}} \cdot P_{\text{survival}}$$

Superheavy systems: $\sigma_{\text{ER}} \ll \sigma_{\text{capture}}$

$$\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{capture}} \approx \sigma_{\text{QF}} + \sigma_{\text{FF}} \approx 100 \text{ mb}$$

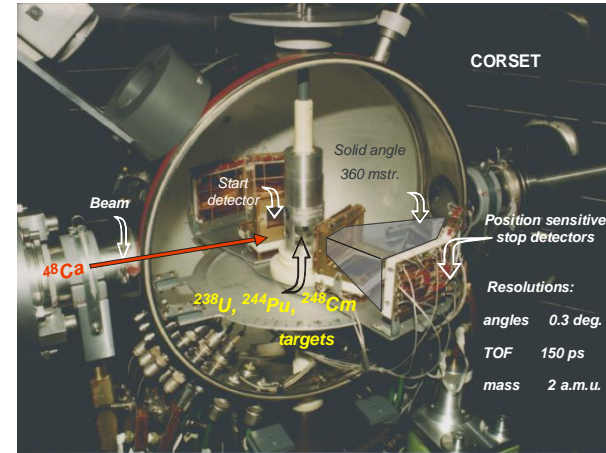
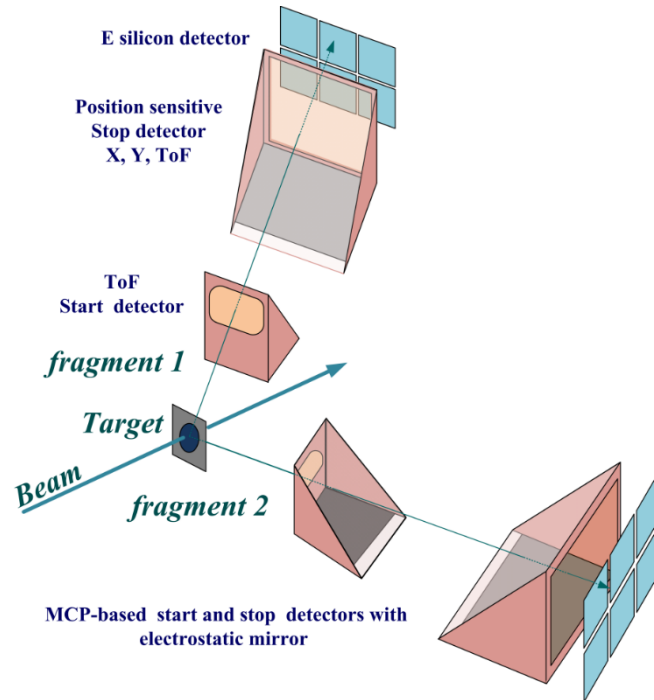
Shell effects are revealed by QF and FF products



Experimental realization:

Study of mass and energy distributions of QF and FF products as a function of projectile neutron number and beam energy.

ToF-E spectrometer (CORSET)



Measured parameters:

- ToF, X, Y, energy of each fragment

Extracted parameters :

- Velocity, energy, angles and mass of each fragment
- TKE

Time resolution	150-180 ps
ToF base	10-30 cm
ToF arm rotation range	15°-165°
Solid angle	100 -200 msr
Angular resolution	0.3°
Mass resolution	2-4 u
Energy resolution	1%

Approved Beamtime

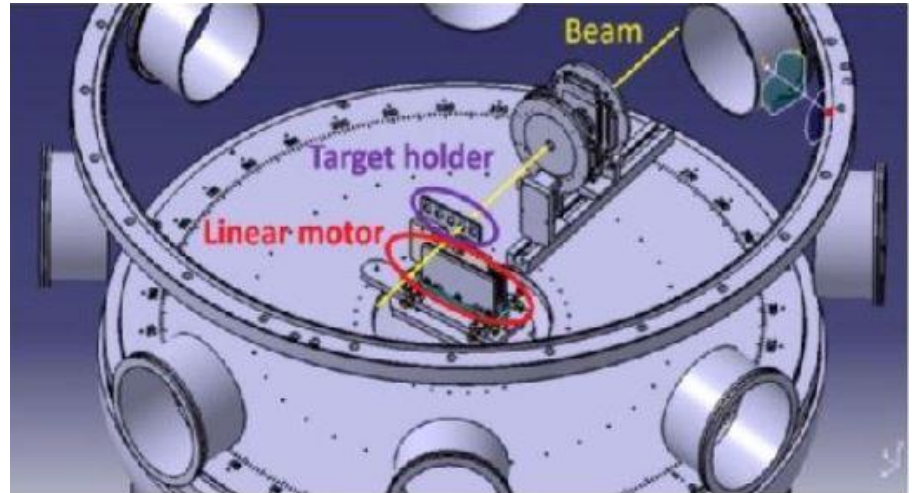
Requested Beamtime (INTC, October 2012):

Projectile	$^{85,87}\text{Rb}$ (stable)	$^{\text{A}}\text{Rb}$ (neutron-rich)
beam energy	~ 5 MeV/u	~ (5 – 6) MeV/u
experiment	Tuning of the setup	Excitation functions for QF, FF
shifts	6	3 x 12

Beamtime recommended by INTC: 12 shifts of n-rich Rb

**Technical
Upgrades / Developments
for the run at HIE-ISOLDE**

Scattering Experimental Chamber S E C @ XT03 beamline of HIE-ISOLDE



**Disc with support
structure for the ToF
and DSSD
+ feedthrough for
target stick**



New components

1) Electronics (Dubna)

2) DAQ system

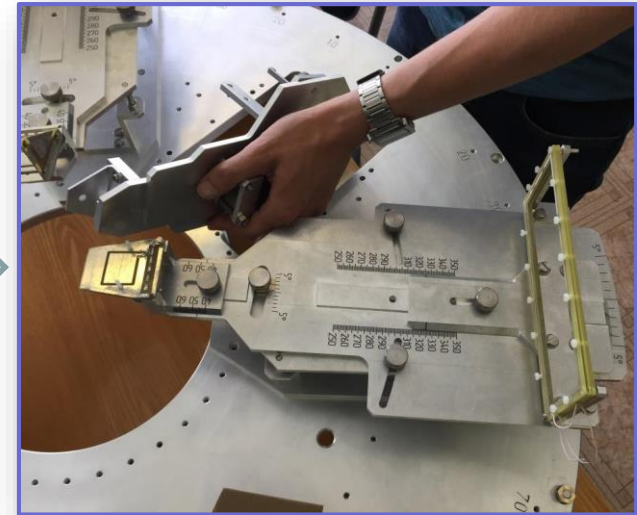


**Tested at GSI
August 2018**

3) Mechanics: support disc

4) Support structure for the ToF
and DSSD

5) Feedthrough for Target stick



100% Ready

Rate Estimate

Cross section: 100mb

Beam Intensity: 10^6 pps

Target Thickness: 2×10^{18} atom/cm²

Efficiency ~ 0.1 (CORSET)

#Events/s : 0,2 event/s = 20000 event/day

#Events (total in 4 days): 80000 events

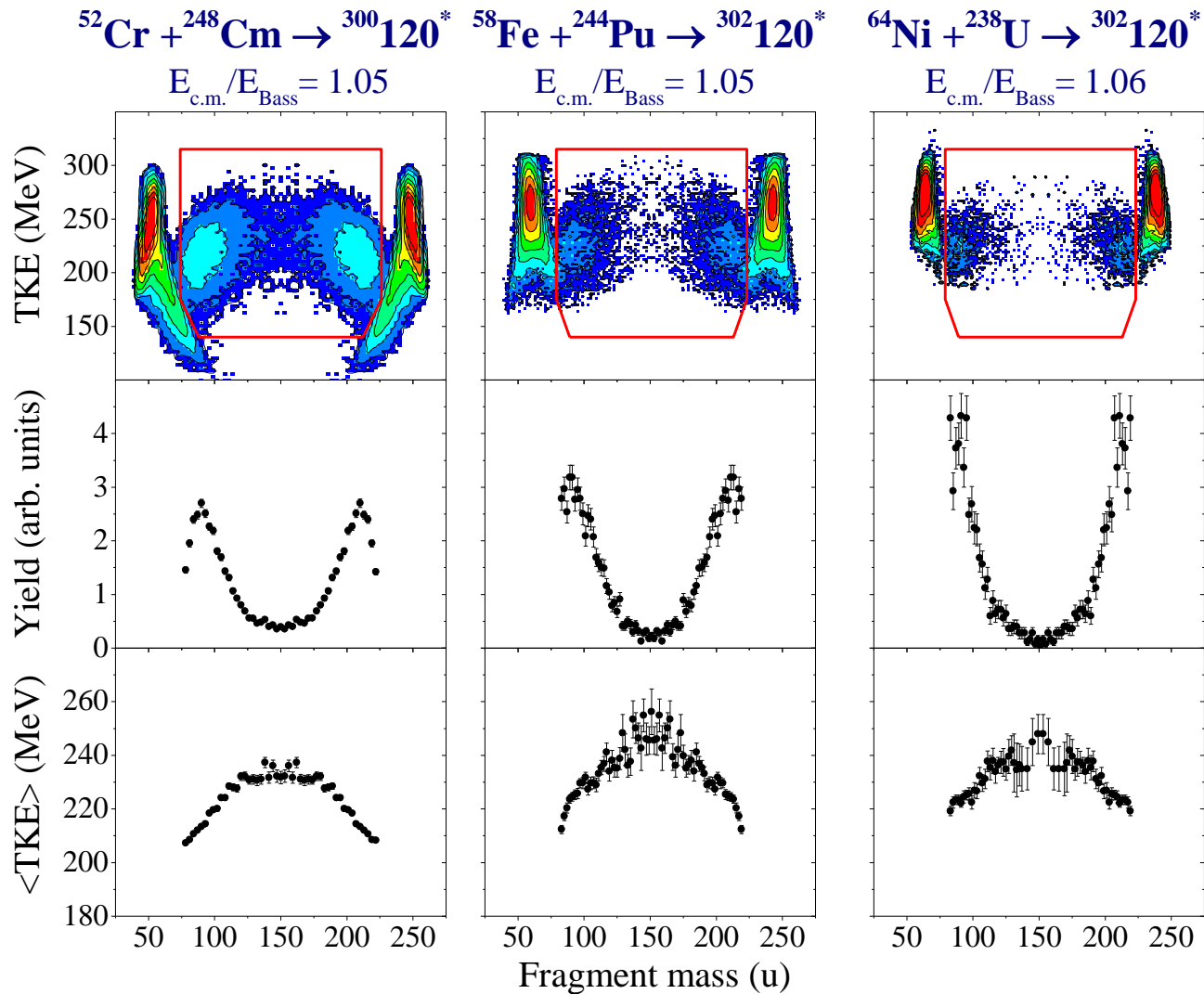
Status of Experiment

Remaining shifts: **12 / 12**

Physics case still relevant? **yes**

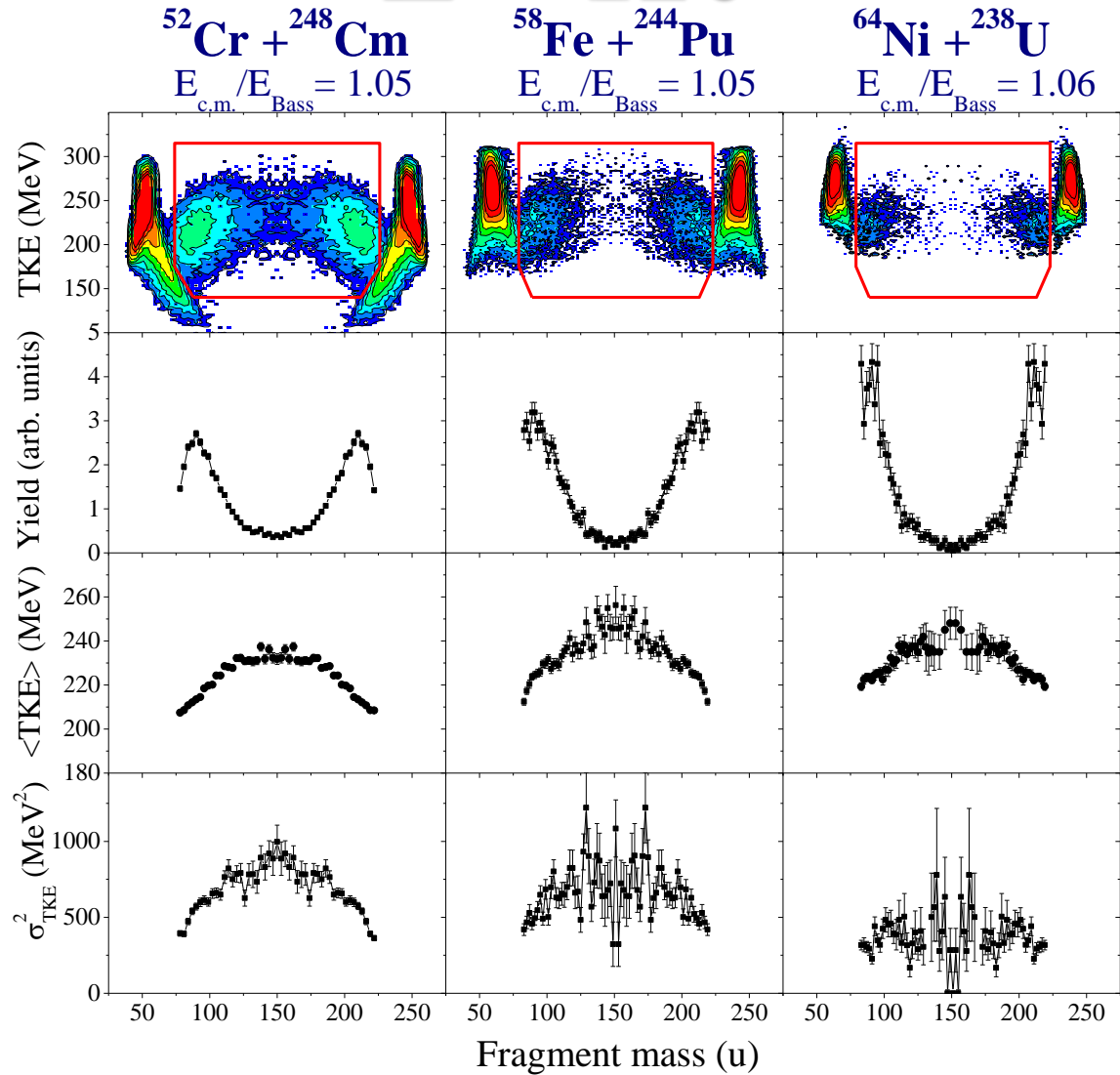
HIE-ISOLDE still unique for this study
in >2021 ? **yes**

Z = 120



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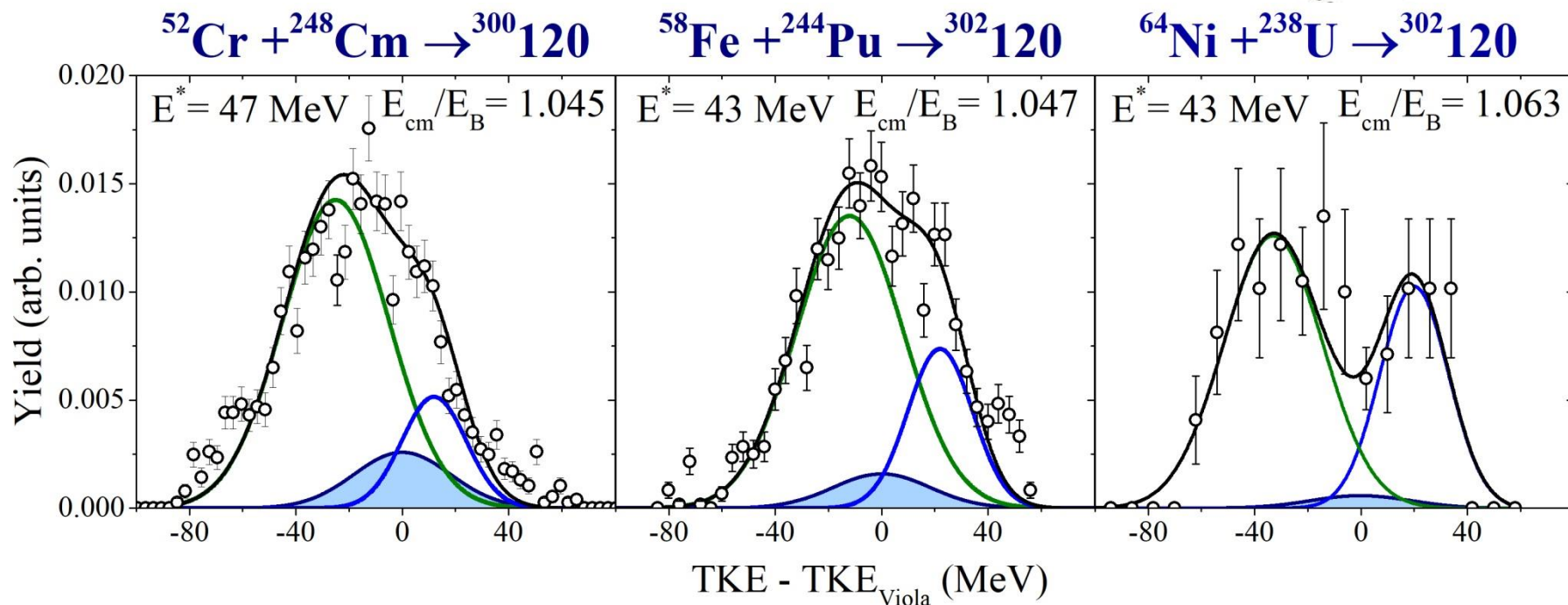
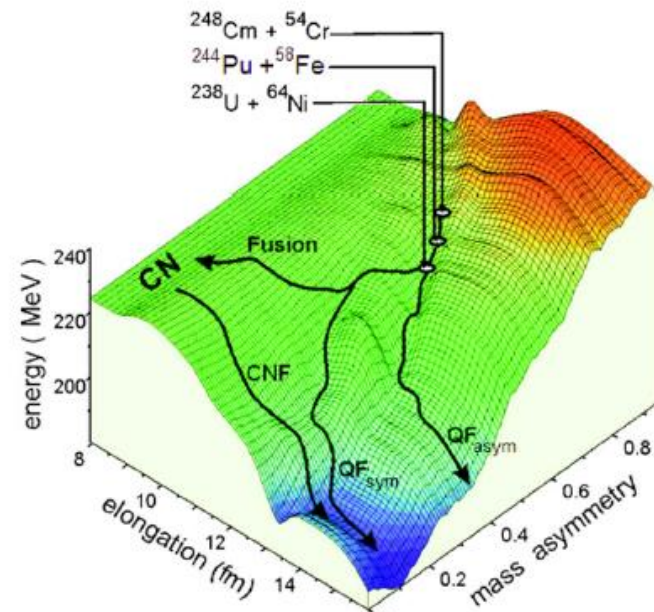
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TKE distribution of symmetric fragments

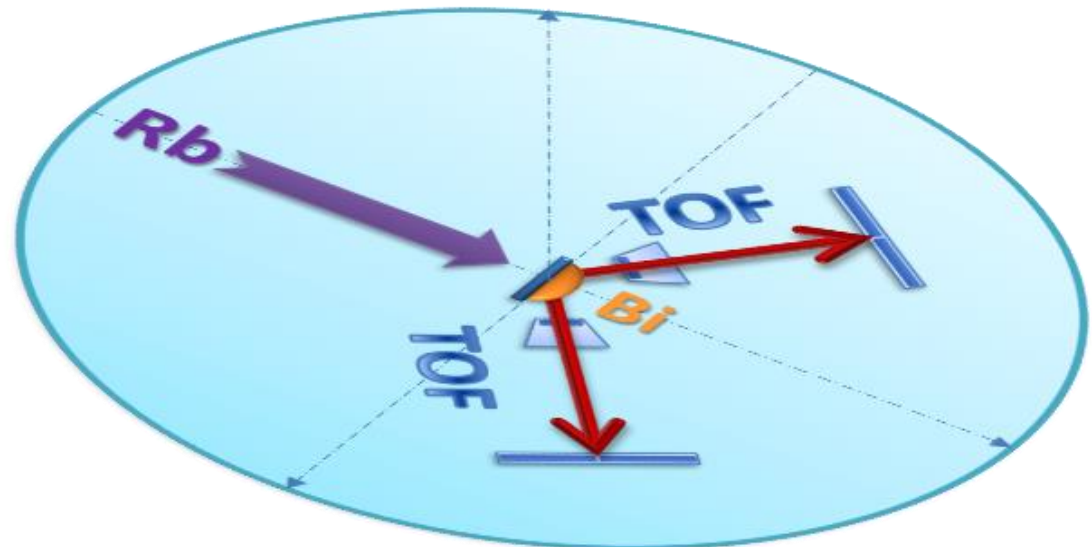
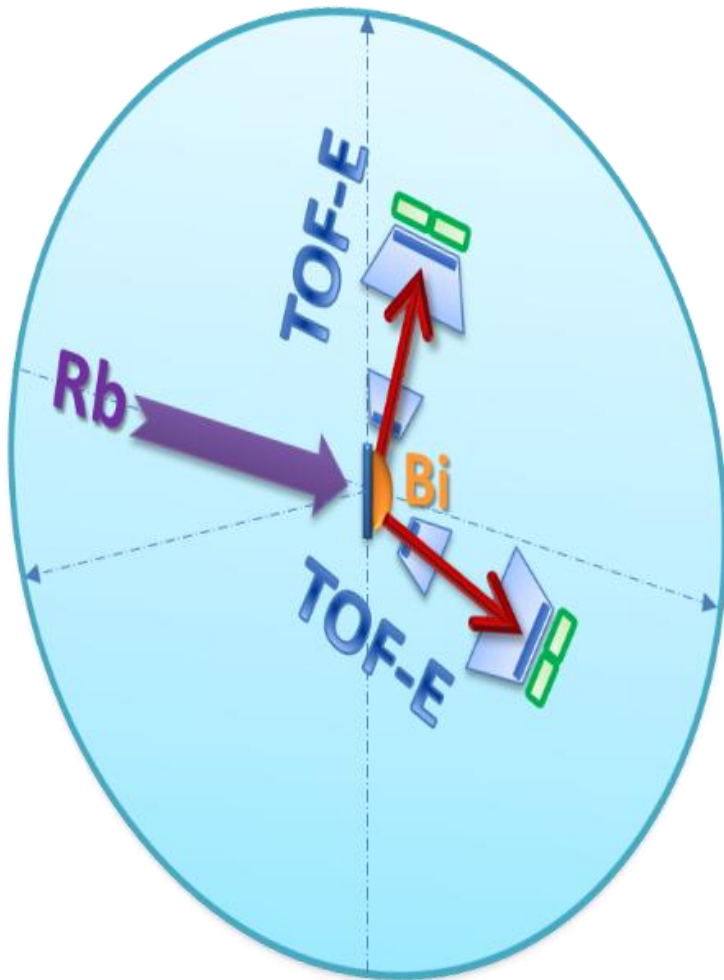


E.M. Kozulin et al., Physical Letters B 686, (2010) 227-232.

CORSET

The main CORSET characteristics

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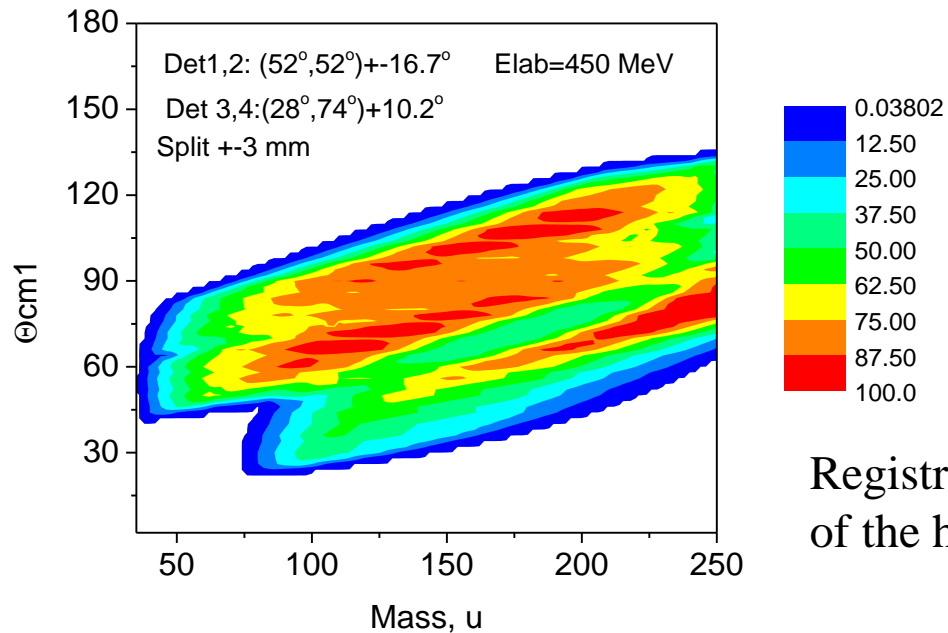
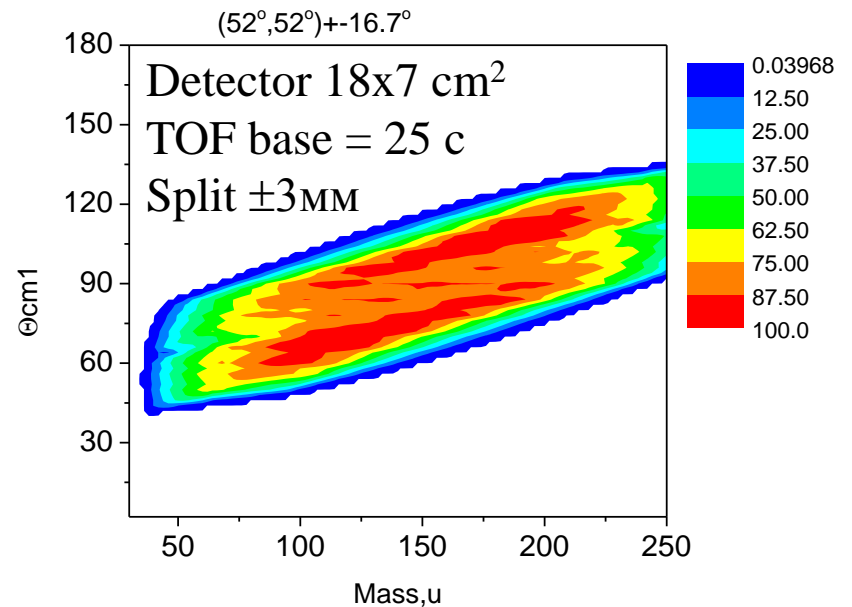
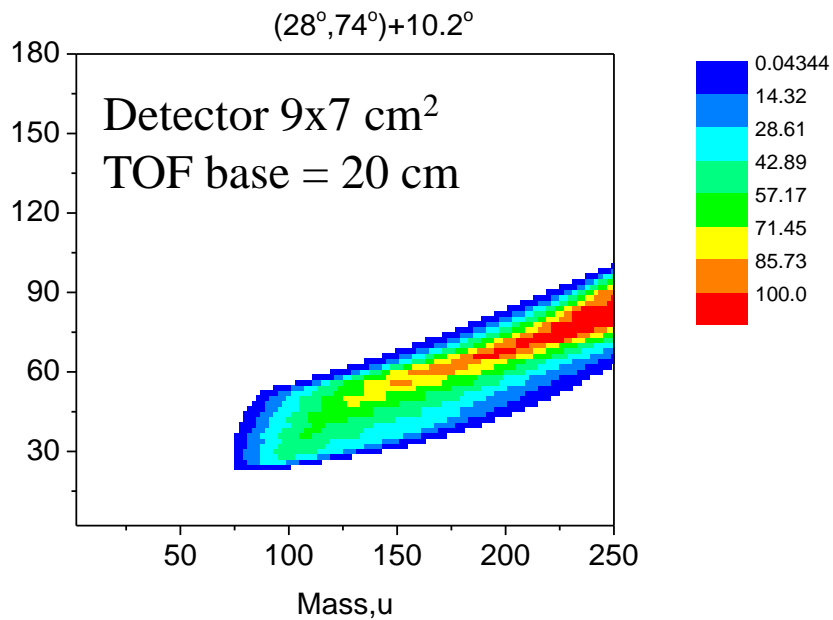
Frame holder



**Flange DN160
with 27 LEMO
and
10 SHV connectors**

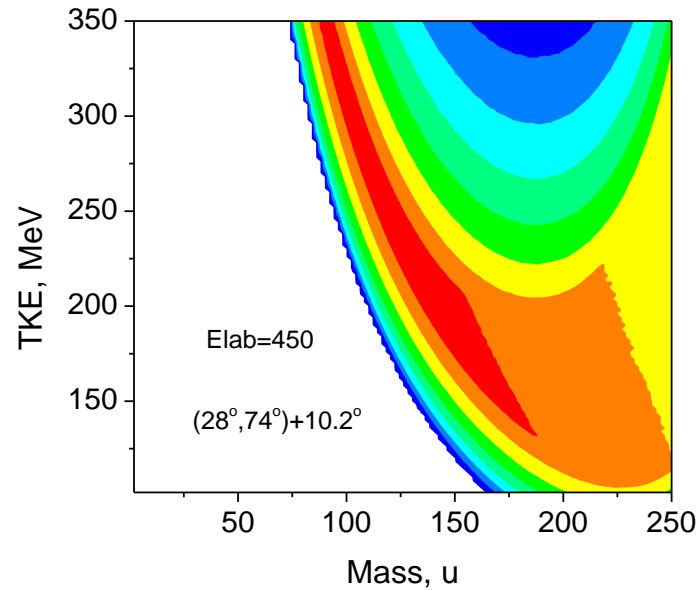


$^{95}\text{Rb} + ^{209}\text{Bi}$, $E_{\text{lab}} = 450 \text{ MeV}$

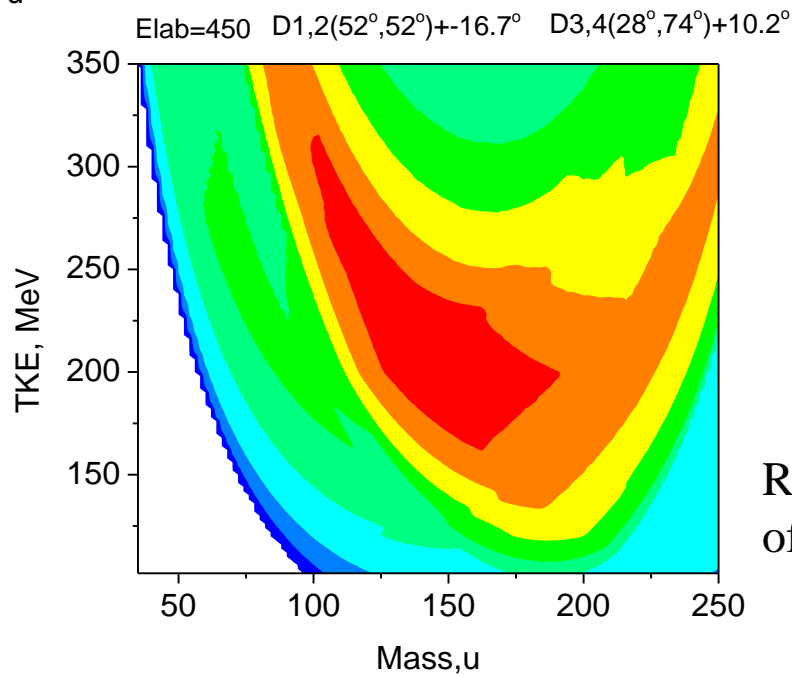
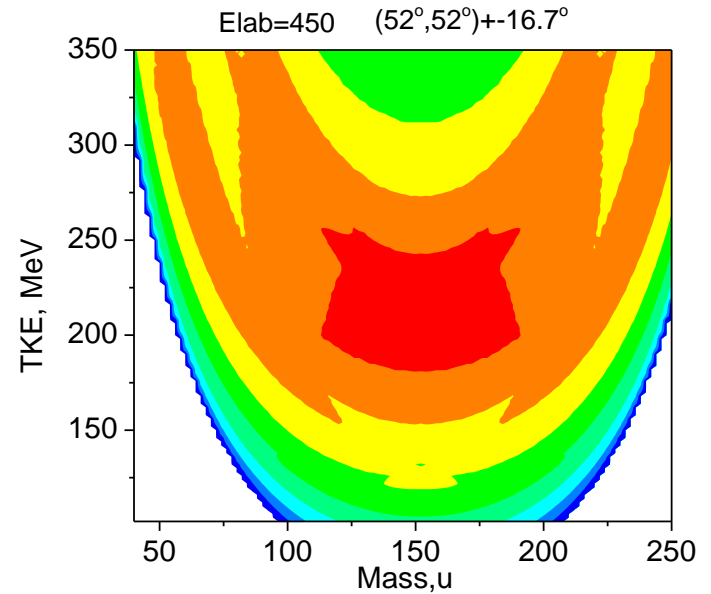


Registration efficiency
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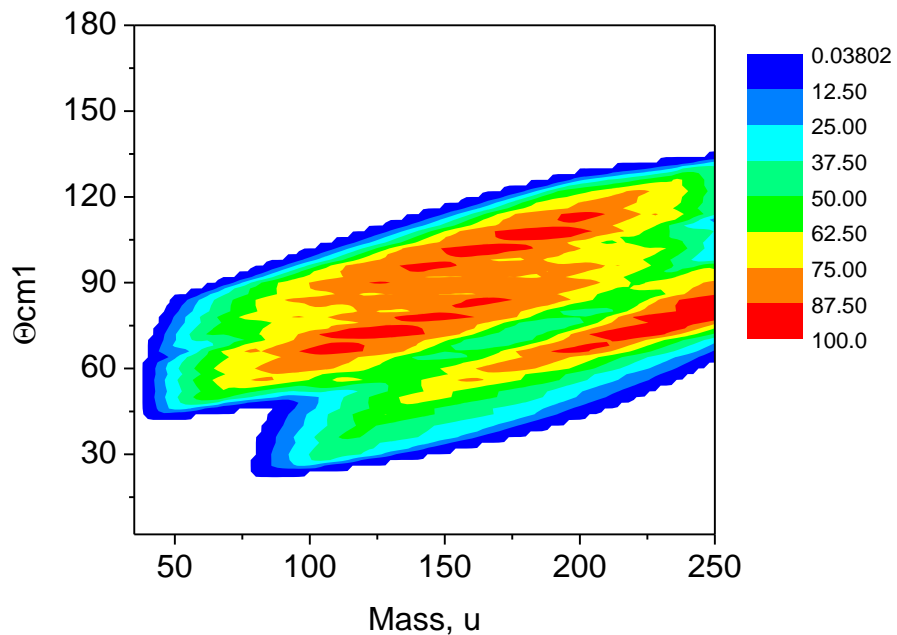
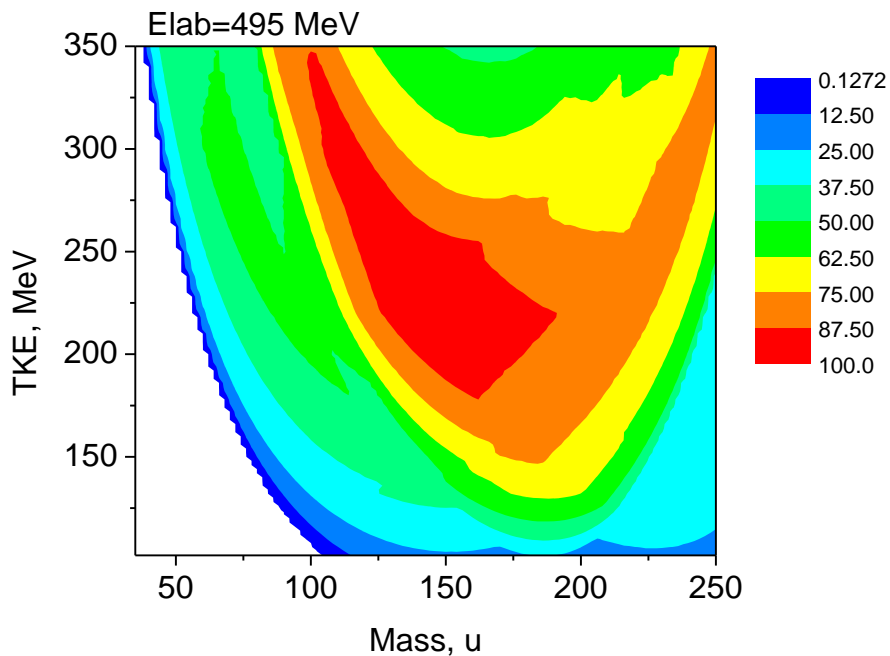
Detector 9x7 cm²
TOF base = 20 cm



Detector 18x7 cm²
TOF base = 25 c
Split ±3mm

Registration efficiency
of the hole set of detectors

$^{95}\text{Rb} + ^{209}\text{Bi}$, $E_{\text{lab}} = 495 \text{ MeV}$



Registration efficiency of the whole set of detectors

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ALTERNATIVE A

IS550 95 Rb

- 1) Arrive in June 10 days for mechanics set-up
- 2) DAQ and Calibration 5 days
- 3) RUN July
- 4) Dismount

IS616

- 1) Set-up GLORIA August
- 2) Run Early September

IS561

- 1) Set up end September
- 2) RUN October

ALTERNATIVE B

IS561 9Li (t,p)

- 1) Setup June
- 2) RUN Early July

IS616

- 1) Set-up GLORIA August
- 2) Run Early September

IS550 95 Rb

- 1) Arrive in mid September 10 days for mechanics set-up
- 2) DAQ and Calibration 5 days
- 3) RUN October
- 4) Dismount

**Within the current project to prepare to the IS550 experiment
the following was performed:**

1. New detectors based on the microchannel plates (MCP) to measure fragments velocities using time-of-flight (TOF) technic were designed and produced. The registration efficiency of these detectors increased 2 times.
2. To measure fragments energy (TOF-E technic) strip detectors were added in each arm of the spectrometer. The use of strip detectors and TOF-E method allows to increase considerably the quality and reliability of the experimental data.
3. New reaction chamber was designed and produced.
4. Meetings and workshops with colleagues from CERN (Geneve), GSI (Darmstadt, Germany) and the Department of Physics of Jyvaskyla University (Jyvaskyla, Finland) to discuss preliminary experimental data obtained using upgraded CORSET setup as well as the preparations to the experiment at HIE-ISOLDE CERN and optimization of the experimental conditions were hold.
5. Preliminary tuning and calibration of the CORSET spectrometer to prepare completely to the experiment at CERN were performed at the Department of Physics of Jyvaskyla University.
6. The CORSET spectrometer and electronics were transported to CERN and GSI during the reporting period.
7. The experiment was was planned for October-November 2018 year.