



TDR-Chapter 2: Post-accelerated ^{11}C -Past results

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Outline

- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Centre de Recherche du Cyclotron
- GANIL
- CERN ISOLDE
- ISAC/TRIUMF
- HIMAC/NIRS

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Berkeley Hills, California, USA

(Bevalac, BEARS project)

Bevalac (1974 – 1993)



SuperHILAC

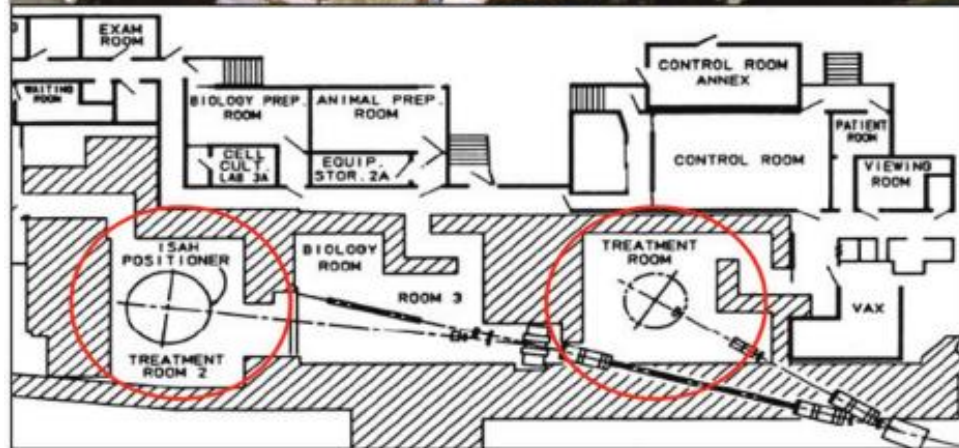
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Bevatron

Linac (8.5 MeV/u)

p-synchrotron (6.2 GeV)

- Heavy ion beam production for research and radiation therapy
- 1977-1992: 433 patients treated (mostly 670 MeV/u Ne-beam)



^{11}C beam production

Projectile fragmentation

Machine Parameters	
Primary beam	^{12}C , (^{18}O , Ne^{10+})
Targets	7.8 cm Be, (2.5 cm Be, polystyrene)
Energy	350 MeV/u
Intensity	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$ ions per pulse
Magnet Resolving power	1/500
Results	
^{11}C Energy	~ 250 MeV/u
Angular spread	± 10 mrad (12 mrad)
Momentum spread	$\pm 1\%$ (2 %)
Intensity	$2 \cdot 10^7$ ions per pulse

BEARS project (1998)



11 MeV PET-cyclotron
(Biomedical Isotope facility)

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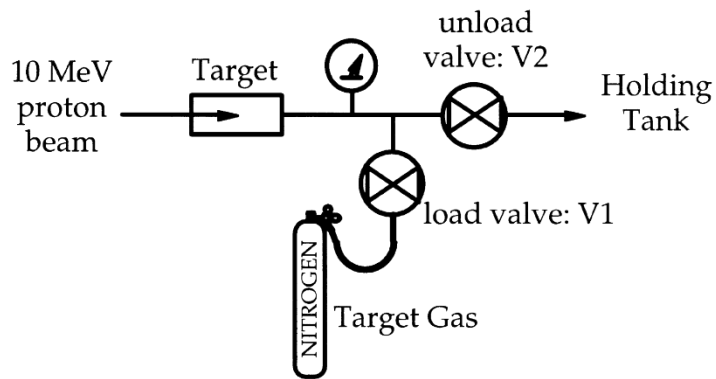
88" cyclotron
(Nuclear Science Division)

350 m transfer line

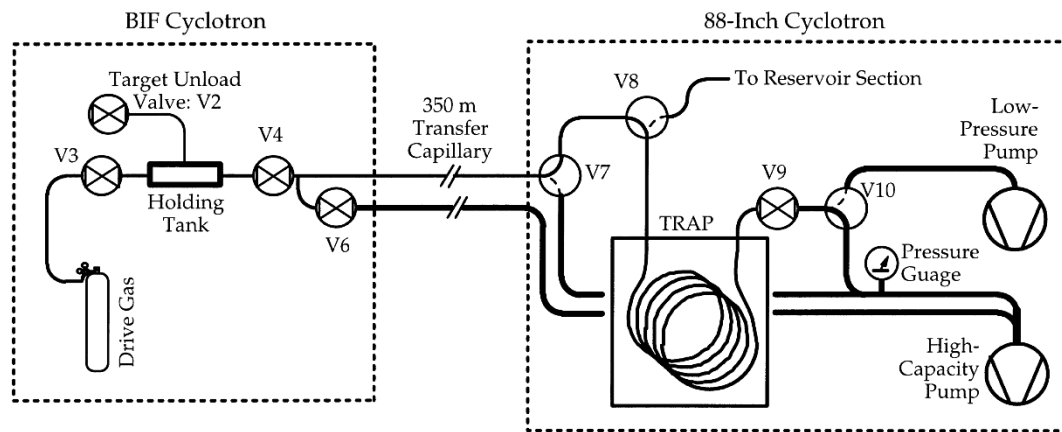
^{11}C beam production

N_2 gas targets; cryogenic separation; ECR ion source

Machine Parameters	
Primary beam	Protons
Targets	N_2 gas target (13 ml, 22 atm, 0.2 % O_2)
Energy	10 MeV
Intensity	$\sim 30 \mu\text{A}$
Irradiation time	5 min
Molecular sideband	$^{11}\text{CO}_2$
Ion source	AECR-u (14+10 GHz): 3+:4 %, 4+:11 %, 5+:4 %, 6+:2 %
Results	
^{11}C Energy	120 MeV/u
Charge state	6+
Intensity	$1 \cdot 10^8$ ions/s



^{11}C production system



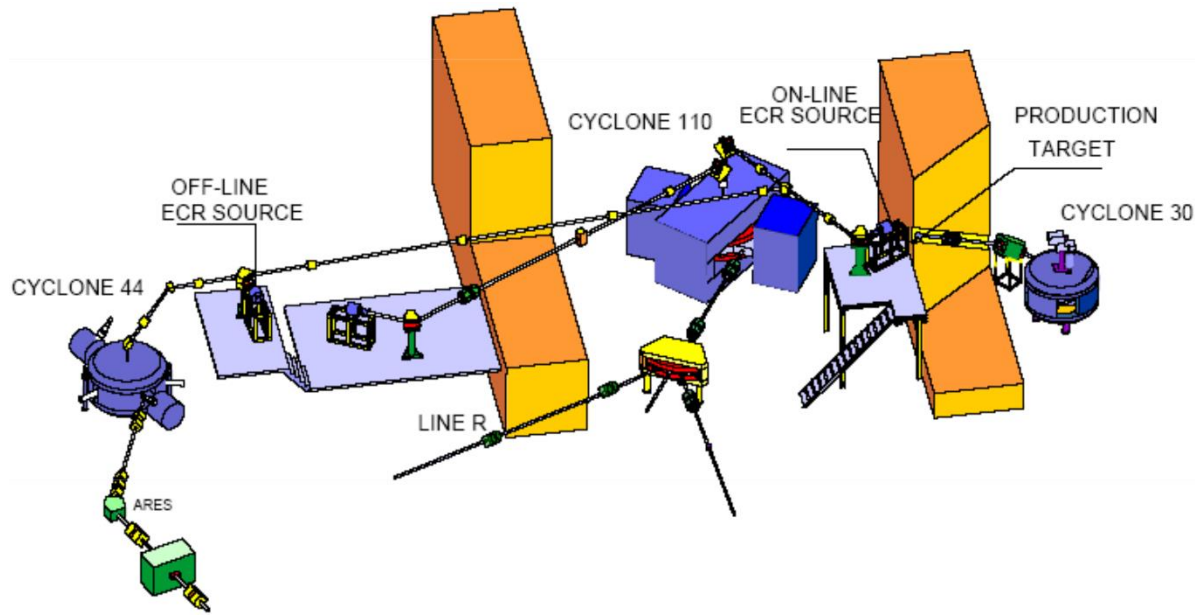
Transport system

- Fully automatized control system handling target loading, irradiation, unloading
- Cryogenic trap crucial feature for ECR ion source performance!

Centre de Recherche du Cyclotron (CRC)

Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

CRC – RIB facility (1989-2009)



3 accelerators:

CYCLONE30: 30 MeV, 300 μ A

CYCLONE110: K = 110

CYCLONE40: K = 40

1st post-accelerated RIB from ISOL-type production system

Production: CYCLONE30; Post-acceleration: CYCLONE110 & CYCLONE40

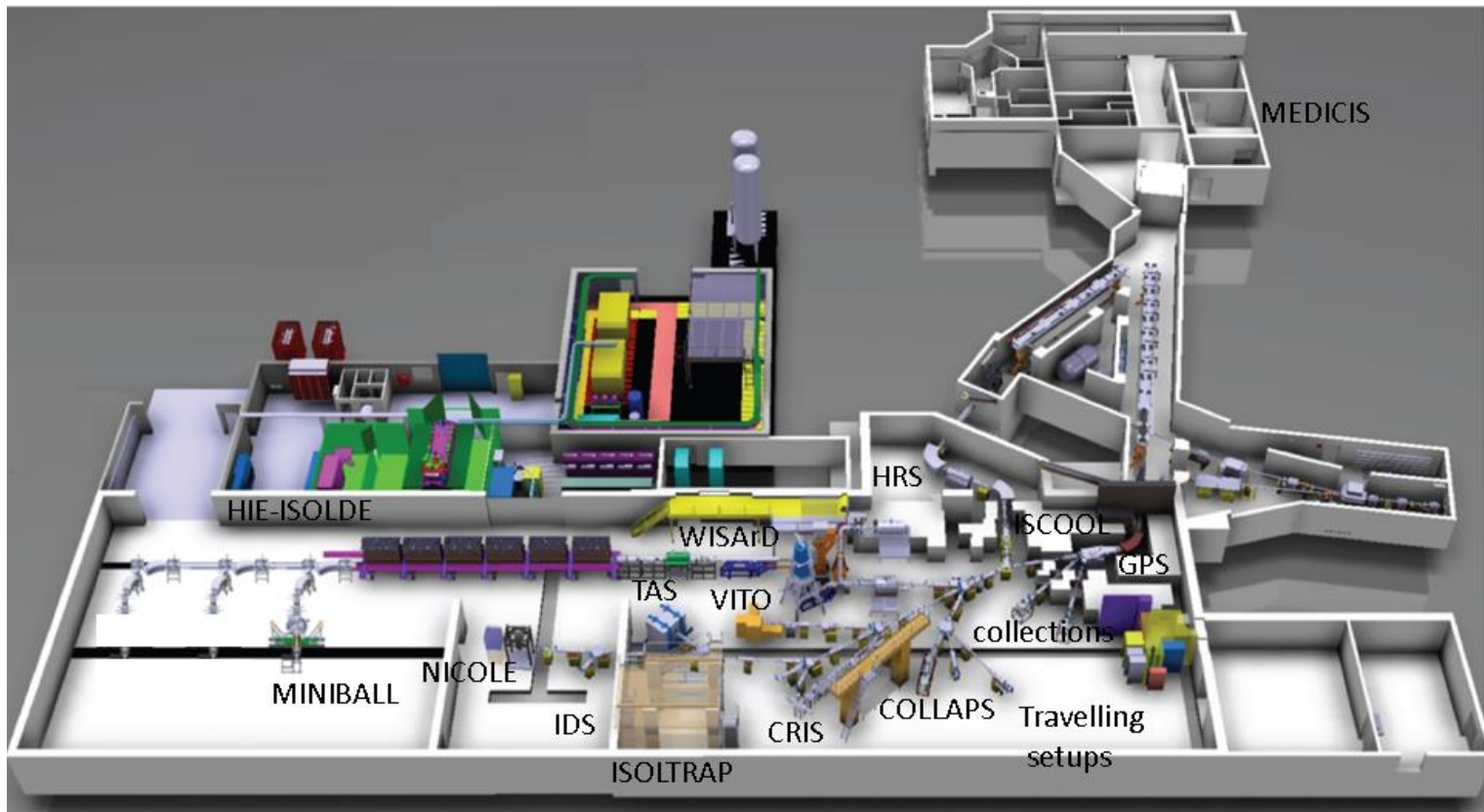
^{11}C beam production

Isotope Separation On-Line (ISOL)

Machine Parameters	
Primary beam	Protons
Targets	BN and B_2O_3 powders
Energy	30 MeV
Release efficiency	10 % at 1000 °C (BN)
Molecular sideband	$^{11}\text{CO}_x$
Ion source	ECR: $^{12}\text{C}^+$: 15 % (10^{-5} mbar in-source pressure; CO_2 -leak; He-carrier gas)
Results	
^{11}C Energy	Max. 10 MeV
Charge state	1+
Intensity	$1 \cdot 10^7$ ions/s (BN target; 0.1 cm^3/h O_2 -leak)

CERN ISOLDE

Geneva, Switzerland



1.4 GeV protons, max. 2 μA

Two target stations:

GPS: 1 bending magnet

HRS: 2 bending magnets (> 5000 resolving power)

Ion sources:

Surface ion sources

Plasma ion sources

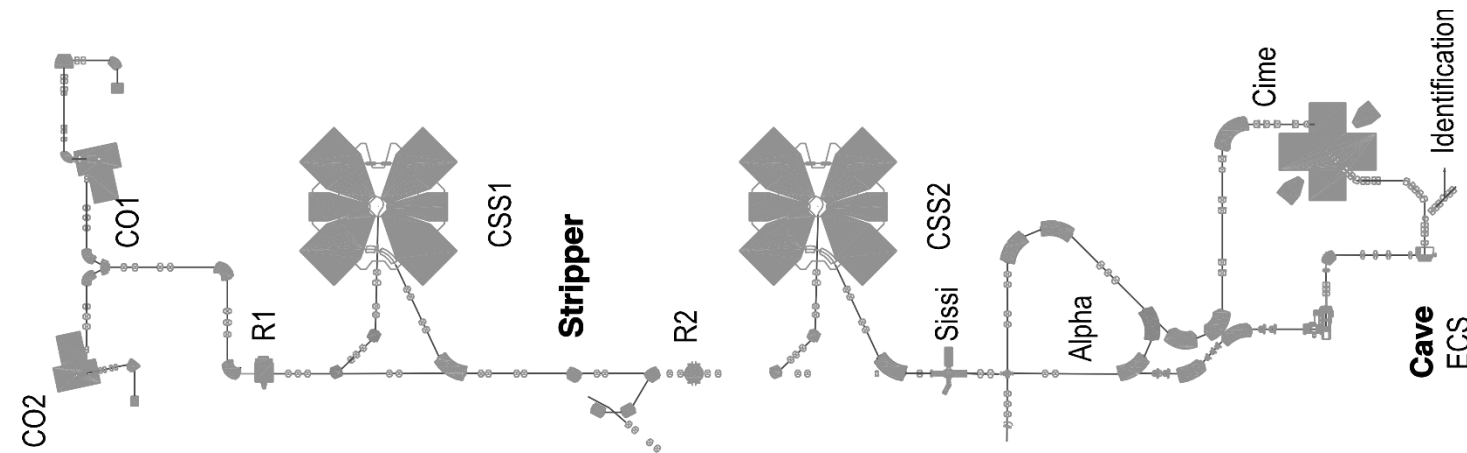
Laser ion sources

Target	Yield [1/ μ C]	Ion source	Molecular sideband
HfO ₂	4.4 · 10 ⁴	Plasma-Helicon	
TiO _x	6.2 · 10 ⁶	Plasma-Cold-MK7	¹¹ C ¹⁶ O ⁺
NaF:LiF salt	7.7 · 10 ⁸	Plasma-Cold-VD7	¹¹ C ¹⁶ O ⁺
MgO	2.1 · 10 ⁵	Plasma-Cold-MK7	¹¹ C ¹⁶ O ⁺
CeO _x fibers	4.8 · 10 ⁶	Plasma-Cols-MK7	¹¹ C ¹⁶ O ⁺
CaO nanostructured powder	2.7 · 10 ⁶	Plasma-Helicon	¹¹ C ¹⁶ O ⁺

- Adsorption enthalpies of SiO₂ and Al₂O₃ as coating materials (wrt retention times)
- Diffusion faster in fiber pellets than in powder pellets
- Limitations on extraction & transport:
 - shortage of O₂ supply
 - losses on hot Ta surfaces (> 1000 °C)
 - retention on Mo (in ion source)

SPIRAL1/GANIL

Caen, France



5 cyclotrons

Nanogan-3 ECR
ion source

250 resolving
power magnet

No ^{11}C beams produced at SPIRAL1

Studies on CO, CO₂ ionization and charge breeding efficiencies

Developed with PANTECHNIK 2.45 GHz ECR ion source for 1⁺ ionization (MONO1000)

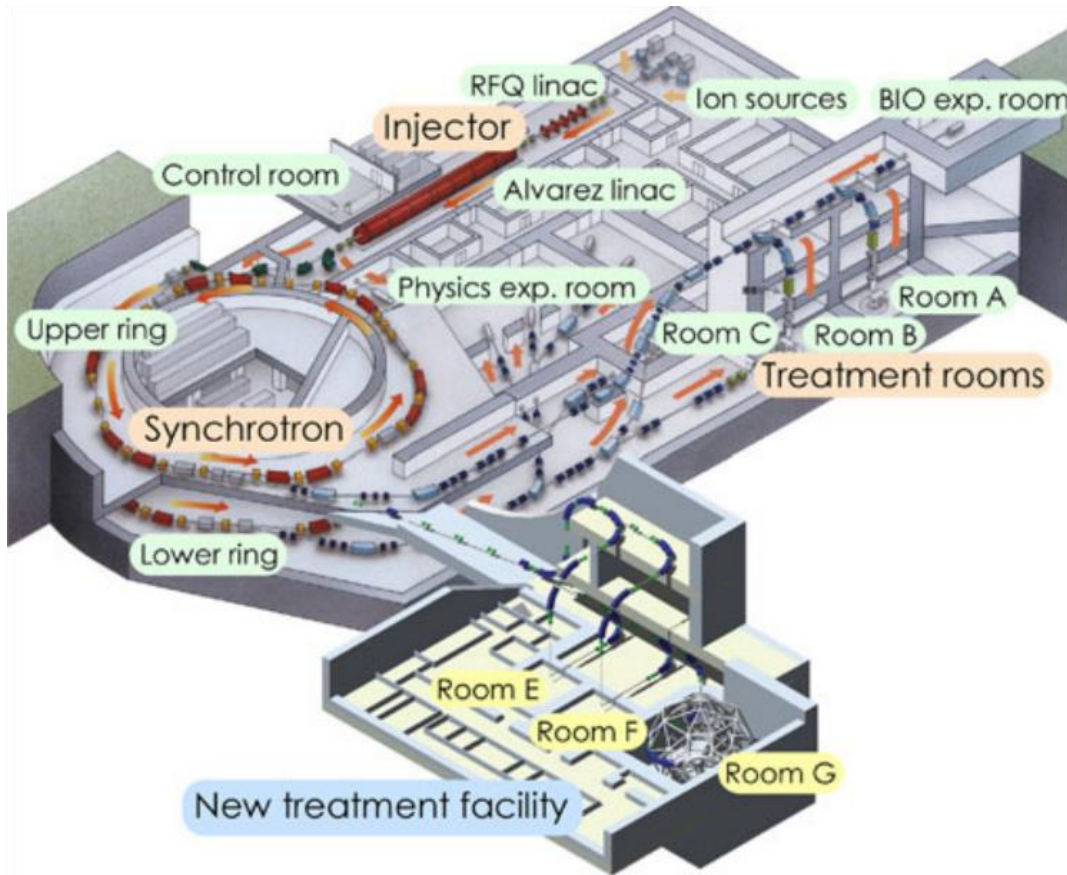
Off-line study with compact version at ISOLDE: 14 % CO⁺

ISAC/TRIUMF

Vancouver, Canada

HIMAC/NIRS

Chiba, Japan



Heavy Ion Medical Accelerator

(RFQ Linac, Alvarez type Drift-Tube Linac, synchrotron rings)

Accelerate heavy ions from protons to Xe up to 800 MeV/u

>10000 patients treated with ^{12}C

Since 2010 SC rotating-gantry

^{11}C beam production

Projectile fragmentation

Machine Parameters	
Primary beam	^{12}C
Target	Be
Energy	430 MeV/u
Intensity	$1.8 \cdot 10^9$ pps
Separator	3 quadrupole magnets
Results	
^{11}C Energy	355 MeV/u
Purity	93 % (contaminations of ^{12}C , and ^7Be)
Momentum spread	3.5 % (FWHM)
Intensity	$7.22 \cdot 10^6$ pps (in spot scanning mode)

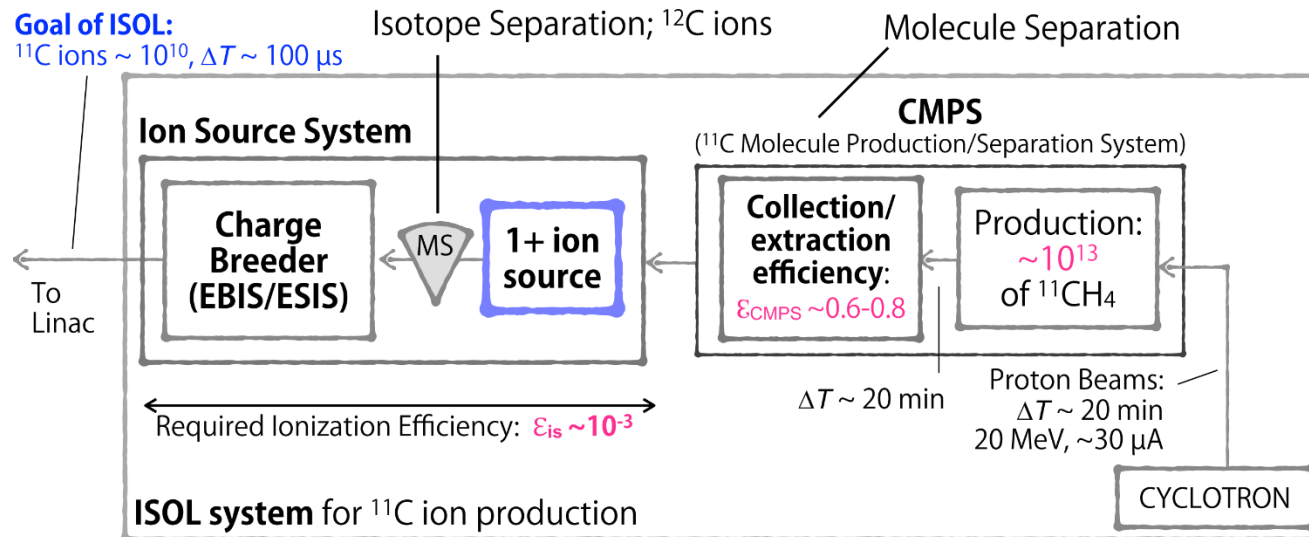
^{11}C beam production

N_2 gas targets; gas separation

Machine Parameters	
Primary beam	Protons
Targets	N_2 gas target (100 ml, 15 bar, 2% O_2)
Energy	18 MeV
Intensity	$\sim 20 \mu\text{A}$
Irradiation time	20 min
Molecular sideband	$^{11}\text{CO}_2$
Ion source	ECR : 4 ⁺ : 1%
Results	
Charge state	6 ⁺
Intensity	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^8$ ions per pulse
Impurities	$\text{N}_2 \sim 10^{22}$ for 100 ml target

^{11}C beam production

Isotope Separation On-Line (ISOL); cryogenic separation



^{11}C beam production

Isotope Separation On-Line (ISOL); cryogenic separation

Parameters	
Primary beam	Protons
Targets	NaBH_4 , B_2O_3 , B
Energy	18 MeV
Intensity	$\sim 30 \mu\text{A}$
Irradiation time	20 min
Released fraction	29.3 %, 76 % (but as CO_2), 0.2 %
Molecular sideband	$^{11}\text{CH}_4$
Yield	$\sim 10^{13}$ $^{11}\text{CH}_4$ (NaBH_4)
Collection/extraction eff.	60-80 %
Ion source	1+ ion source; ESIS charge breeder: Requirement: 1% total efficiency

Thank you.
Questions, comments?

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