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Beta decay has a direct access to the absolute values of the Fermi and Gamow-Teller transition strengths. The comparison with complementary charge exchange reactions, such as the (³He,t) reaction performed on the mirror stable targets at RCNP Osaka, allows us the investigation of fundamental questions related to the role of the isospin in atomic nuclei. A systematic study of neutron-deficient nuclei has been carried out by decay spectroscopy experiments with implanted radioactive ion beams (RIBs) at GANIL and RIKEN. We have obtained remarkable results [1-4], among which the discovery of the exotic β -delayed γ -proton decay in ⁵⁶Zn [1] and the first observation of the 2⁺ isomer in ⁵²Co [3]. These studies were extended to higher masses and more extreme nuclear conditions at RIKEN thanks to the high-intensity RIBs available. An overview of the most important results will be presented, together with the new results on ⁶⁰Ge and ⁶²Ge [4] obtained from the RIKEN experiment.

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