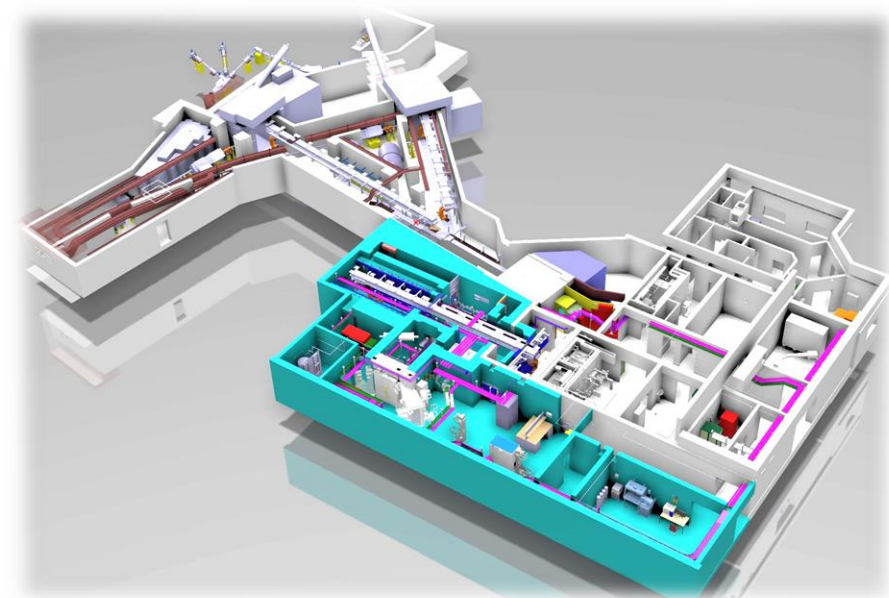


Technical developments for MED22-23

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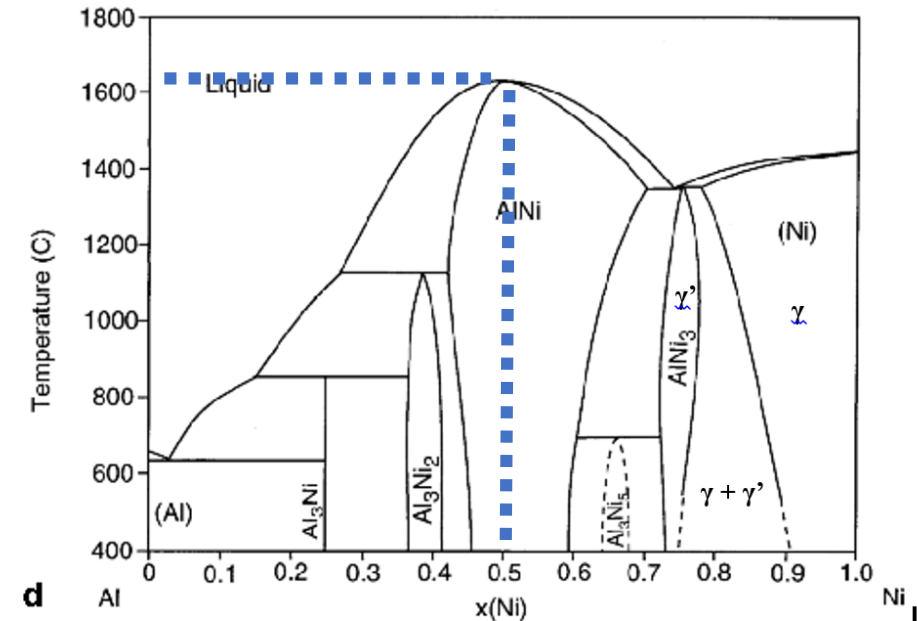
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- Interest in both Fe-52 and Fe-59 for imaging purposes
 - Both can be produced via spallation reactions on nickel
- The idea is to produce an alloy nickel/aluminium
 - Increase the melting point from 1450 °C (nickel) to 1600 °C

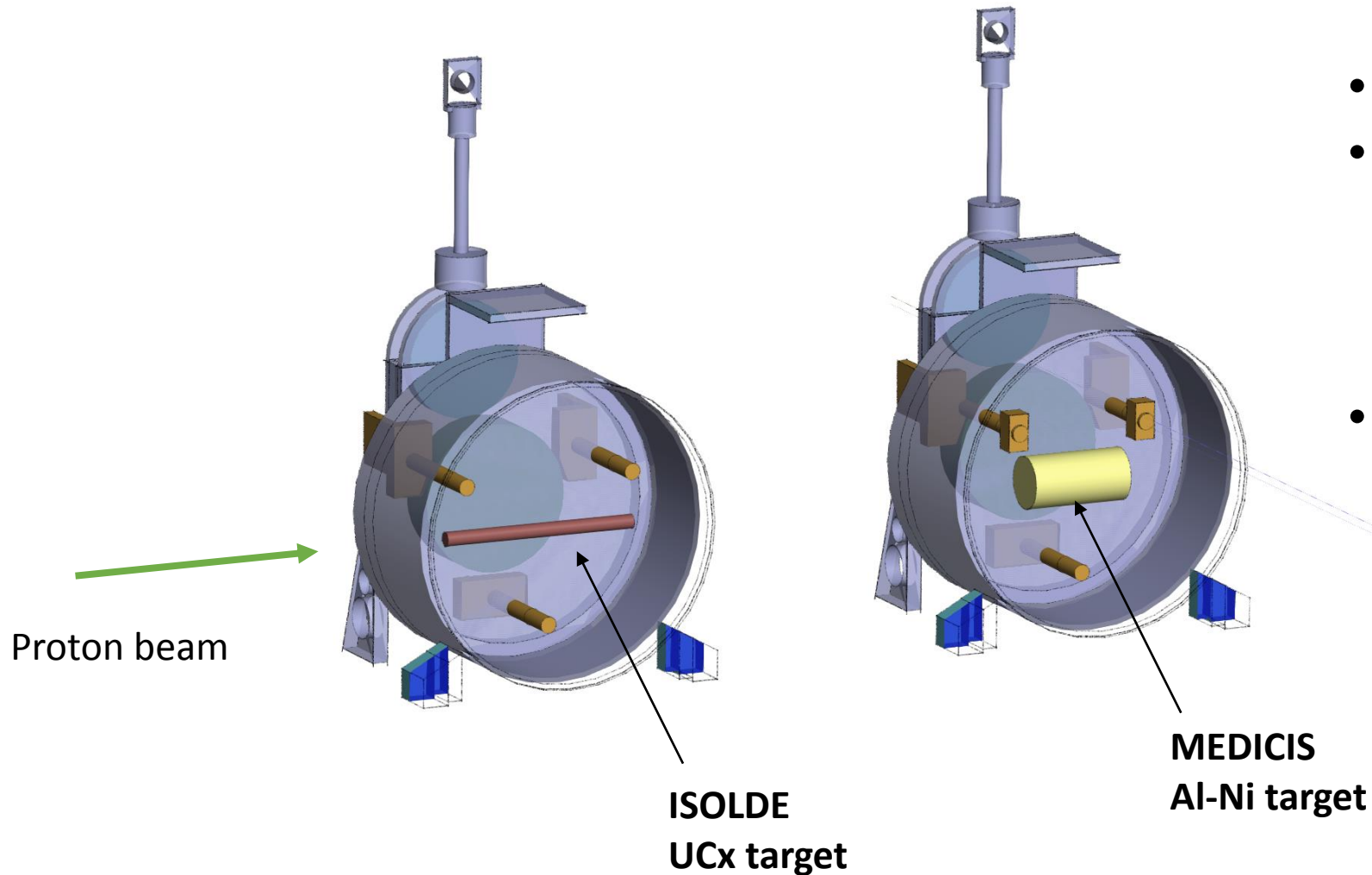
- Expertise at KU Leuven & CERN



- « Department of Physics and Astronomy » Thomas Cocolios group
 - Target material development for C-11 production – Simon Stegemann PhD thesis
- « material engineering » department: Jef Vleugels willing to help
 - Currently developing TaC and TiC targets in collaboration with ISOL@MYRRHA
 - Meeting in August: to buy Ni and Al powder and press it to get disks (50 mm diameter, 50 mm length)
- First theoretical study regarding production efficiency required



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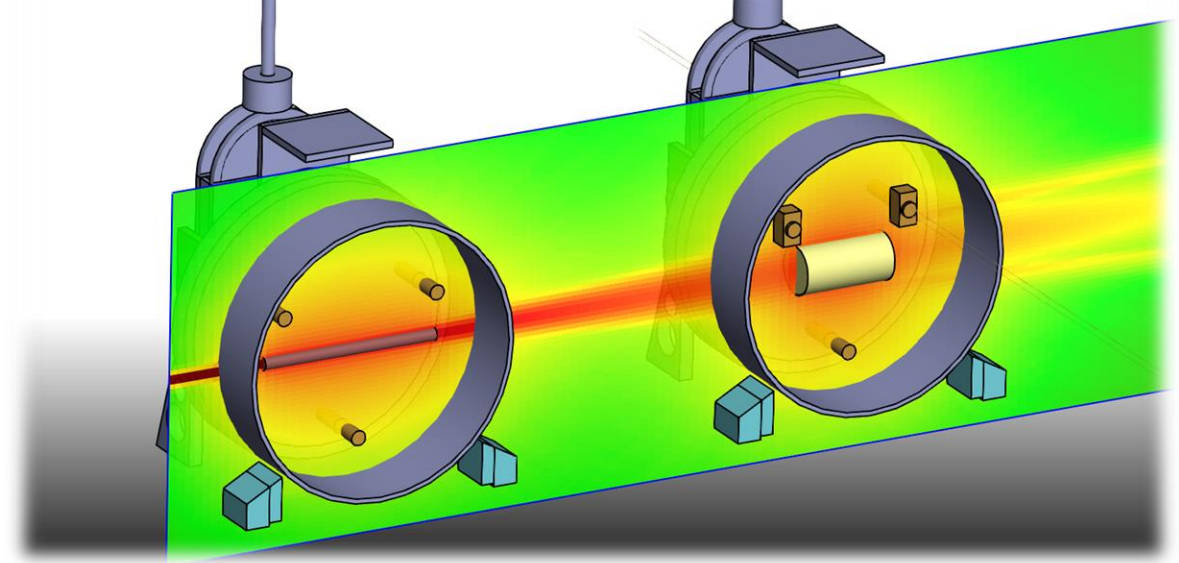
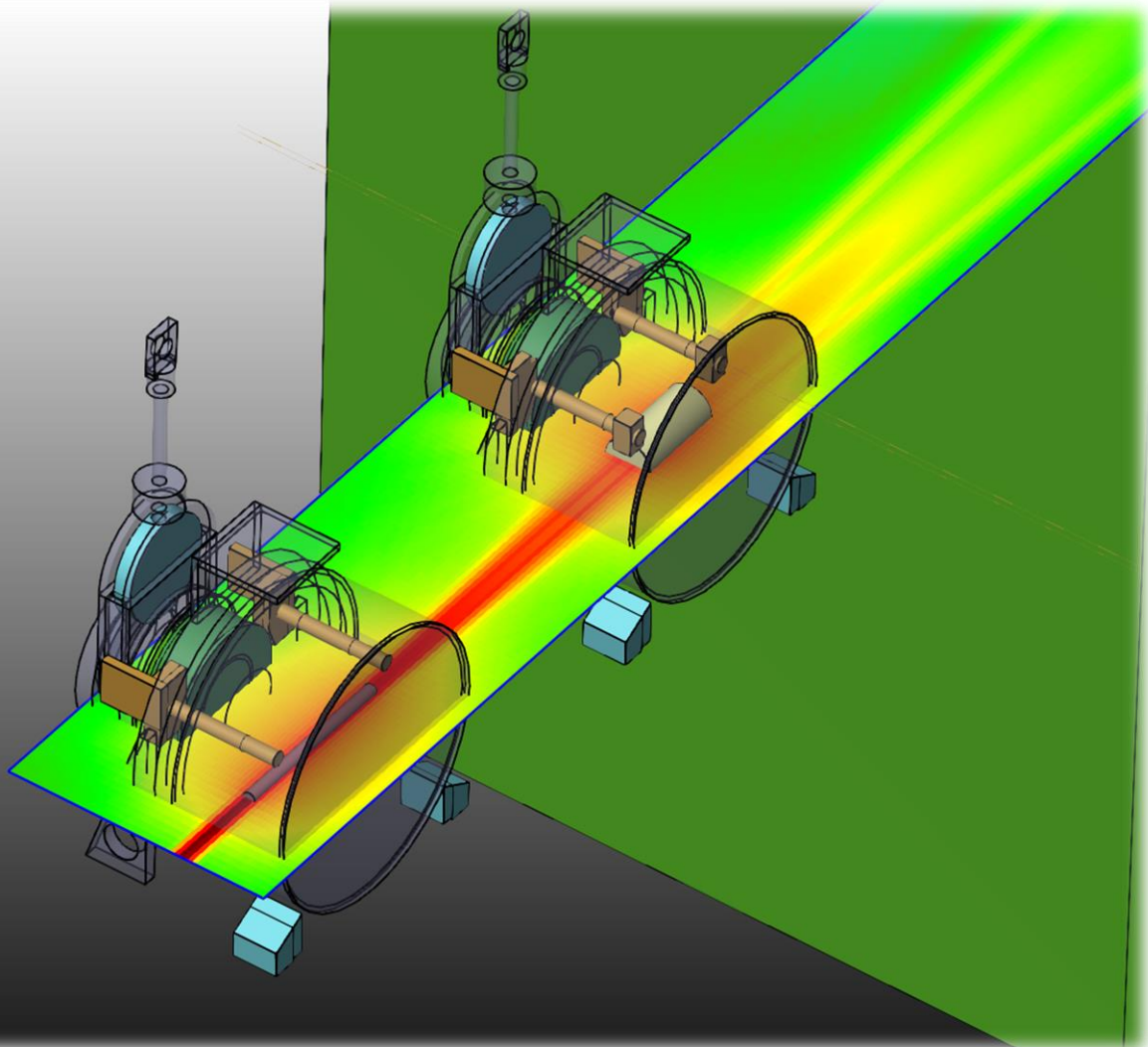
- Proton beam: 1.4 and 2 GeV
- Al-Ni target: 50 wt% / 50wt%
 $l = 10 \text{ cm}$, $r = 2.5 \text{ cm}$
 $\rho = 4.3 \text{ g/cm}^3$
- FLUKA: 2011.2x.4 to calculate particle fluence spectra

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*Geometry simplified, based on elements extracted from an input courtesy of J. Vollaire
Visualized with SimpleGeo®*

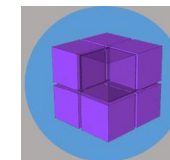
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- Scoring of neutron, proton, π^+ , π^- and photon fluence
- Off-line calculation of activity via ActiWiz giving more flexibility w.r.t. material composition & irradiation/cooling parameters

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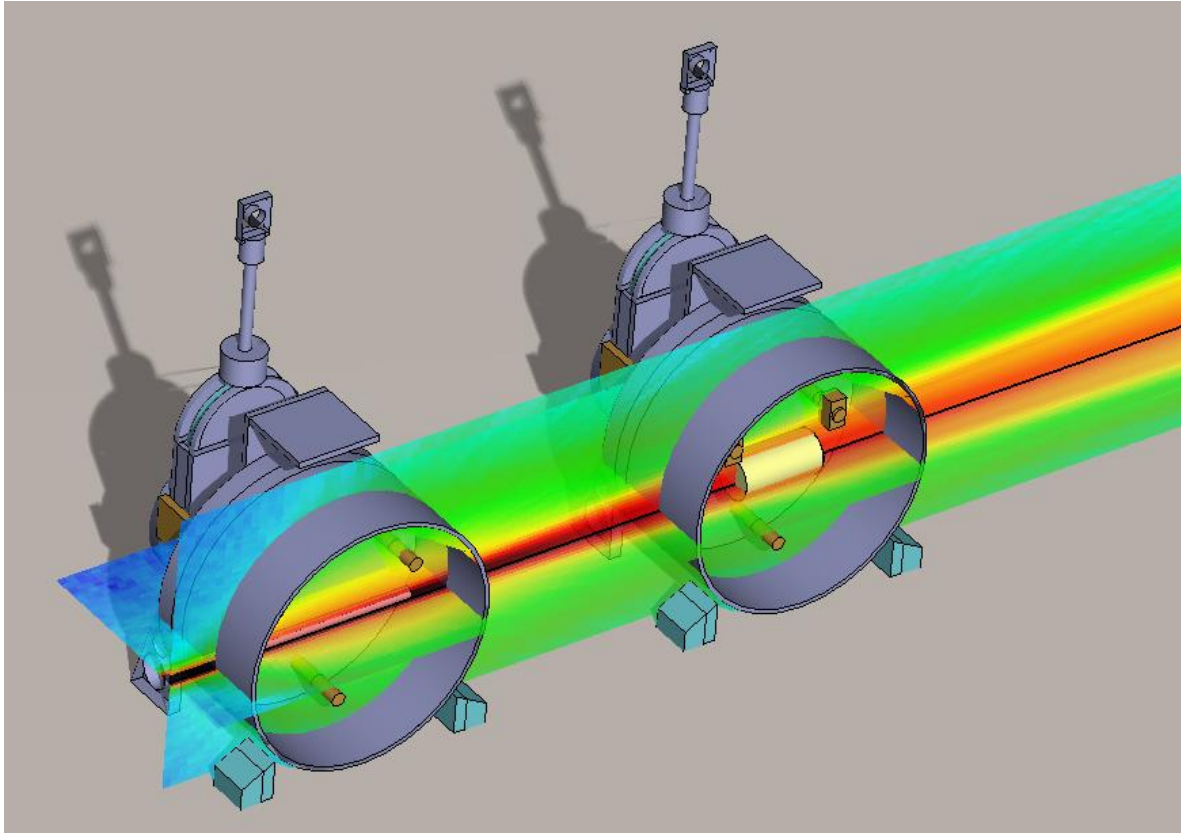
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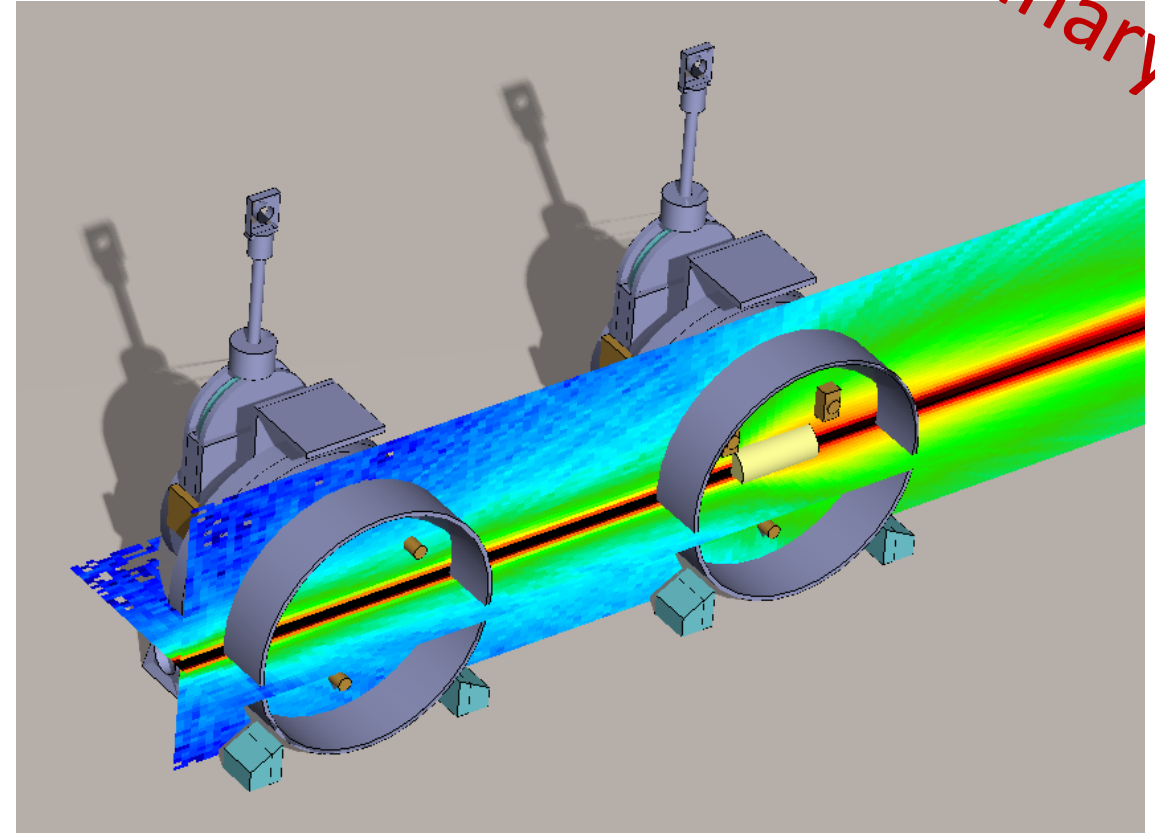
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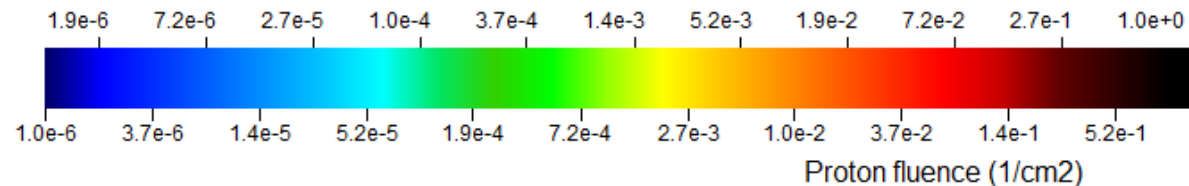
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Primary beam impacting on the ISOLDE target before the MEDICIS Ni-Al target



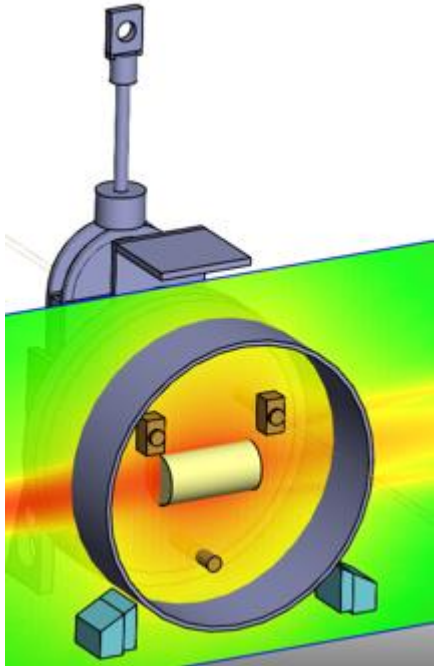
Primary beam impacting directly on the MEDICIS Ni-Al target



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- Expected activities of Fe-52 and Fe-59 in a Ni50-Al50 MEDICIS target
 - 1 μA ($6.25\text{E}12$ particles/s), 1 hour irradiation, 1 hour of cooling time.

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Configuration 1.4 GeV	Fe-52	Fe-59	Ratio Fe-52/Fe-59
With ISOLDE target	57 MBq	141 kBq	400
Without ISOLDE target	116 MBq	287 kBq	

x2

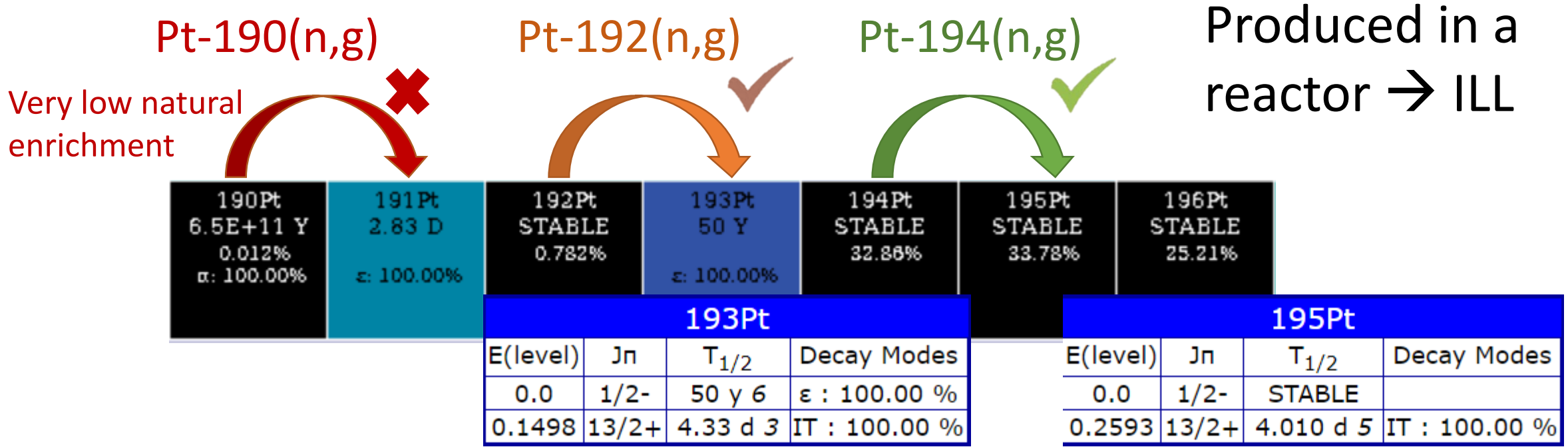
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To be studied:

- Feasibility of extraction via mass separation at MEDICIS ?
 - Fe isotopes have already been extracted at ISOLDE from Y_2O_3

MED 22 - Non-invasive imaging of radioactive platinum chemotherapeutics for patient stratification

- Interest in platinum isotopes such as Pt-191, Pt-193m and Pt-195m



MED 22 - Non-invasive imaging of radioactive platinum chemotherapeutics for patient stratification

- Production of Pt-191 at MEDICIS
 - through the decay of Hg-191
 - Hg isotopes have already been extracted at ISOLDE

191Hg 49 M ε: 100.00% α: 5.0E-8%	192Hg 4.85 H ε: 100.00%	193Hg 3.80 H ε: 100.00%	194Hg 444 Y ε: 100.00%
190Au 42.8 M ε: 100.00% α < 1.0E-8%	191Au 3.18 H ε: 100.00%	192Au 4.94 H ε: 100.00%	193Au 17.65 H ε: 100.00%
189Pt 10.87 H ε: 100.00%	190Pt 6.5E+11 Y 0.012% α: 100.00%	191Pt 2.83 D ε: 100.00%	192Pt STABLE 0.782%

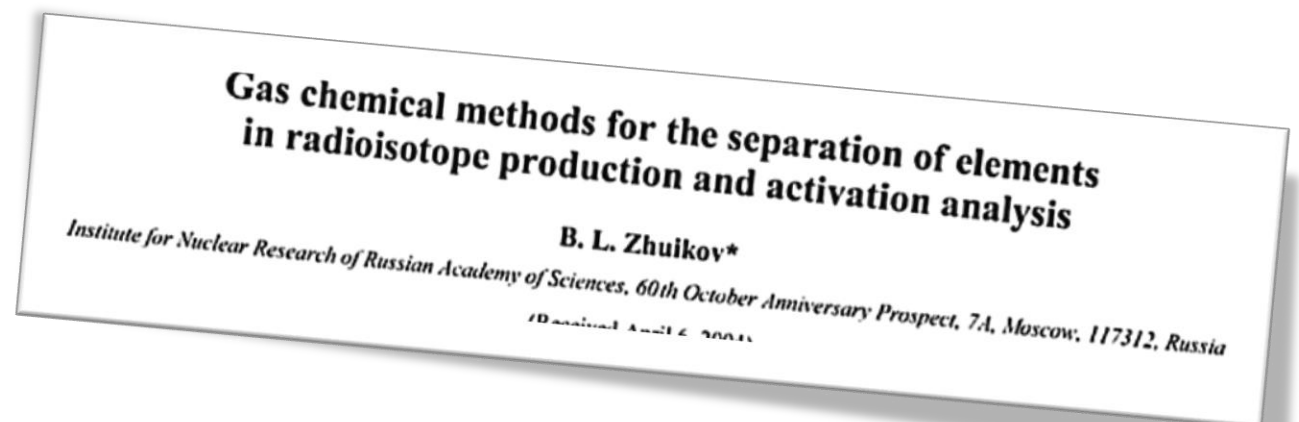
- Use of a MEDICIS lead target with collection of Hg-191 ?
 - Hg-191 4.2 GBq
(for 1 uA, 1 hour irradiation & 1h after EOI)

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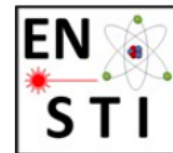
Production of Pt-193m and Pt-195m at MEDICIS?

- Would require direct production and collection
- No generator possible
- Pt cannot easily be extracted from the target



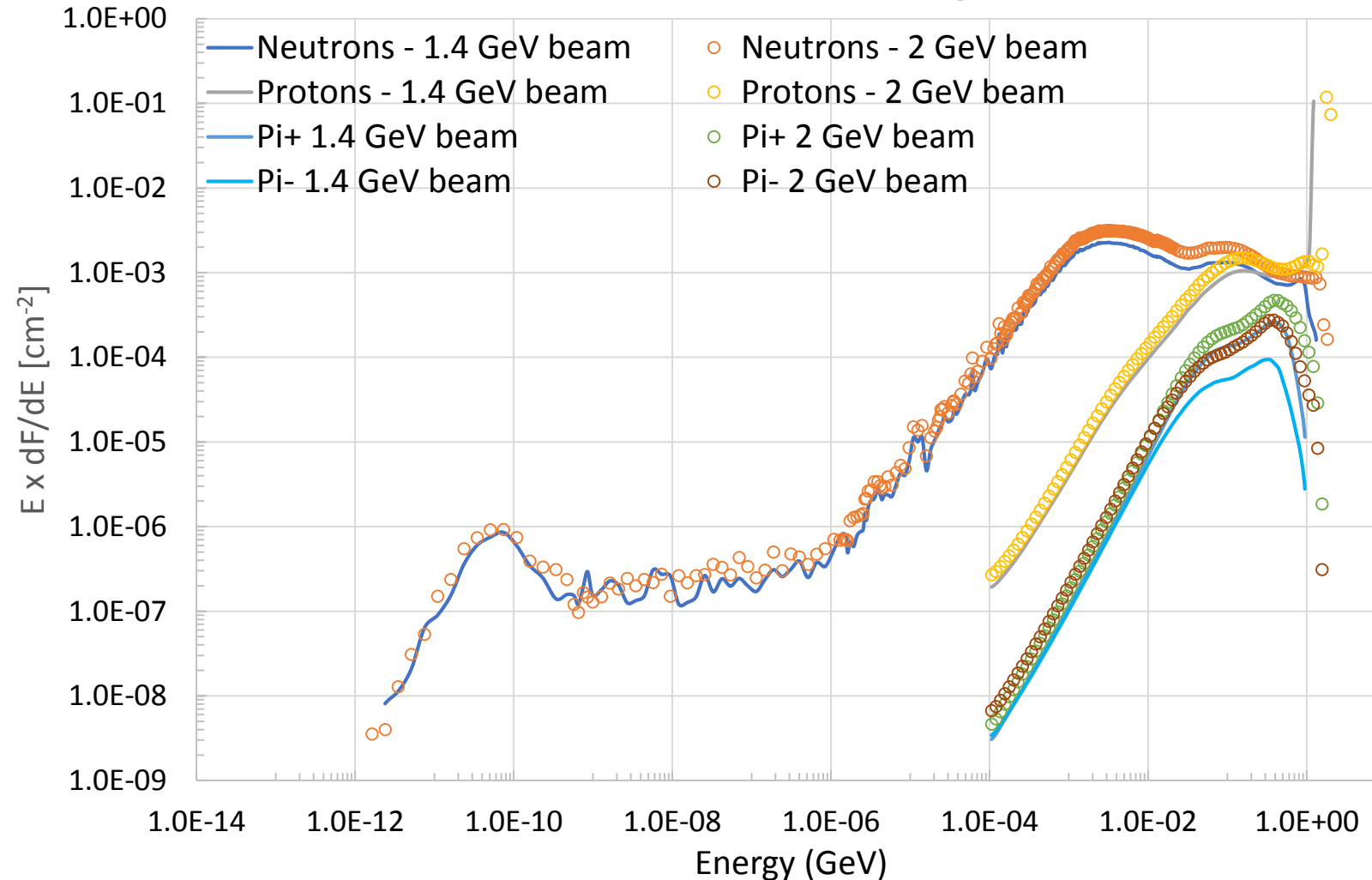


Thank you !



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Particle fluence in AlNi target

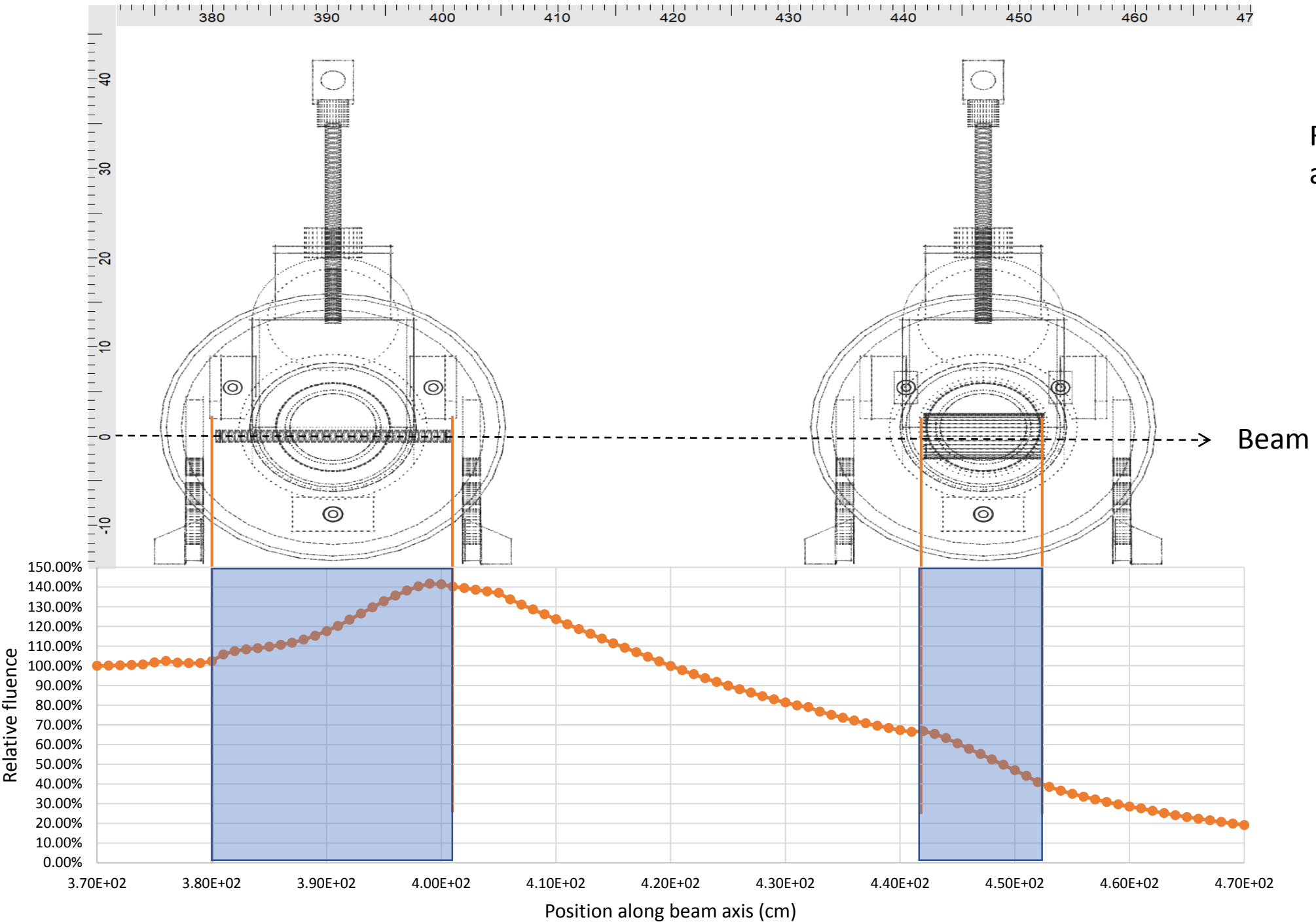


Total fluence (cm ⁻²)	1.4 GeV	2 GeV	2 GeV vs. 1.4 GeV ratio
Neutrons	1.11E-02	1.62E-02	1.46E+00
Protons	2.43E-02	2.97E-02	1.22E+00
Pi+	5.21E-04	9.79E-04	1.88E+00
Pi-	2.06E-04	5.62E-04	2.73E+00
Total	3.61E-02	4.75E-02	1.31E+00

- No fundamental differences except somewhat higher pion yield
- Total yield at 2 GeV is ~30% higher
- Roughly equivalent increase in isotope production to be expected

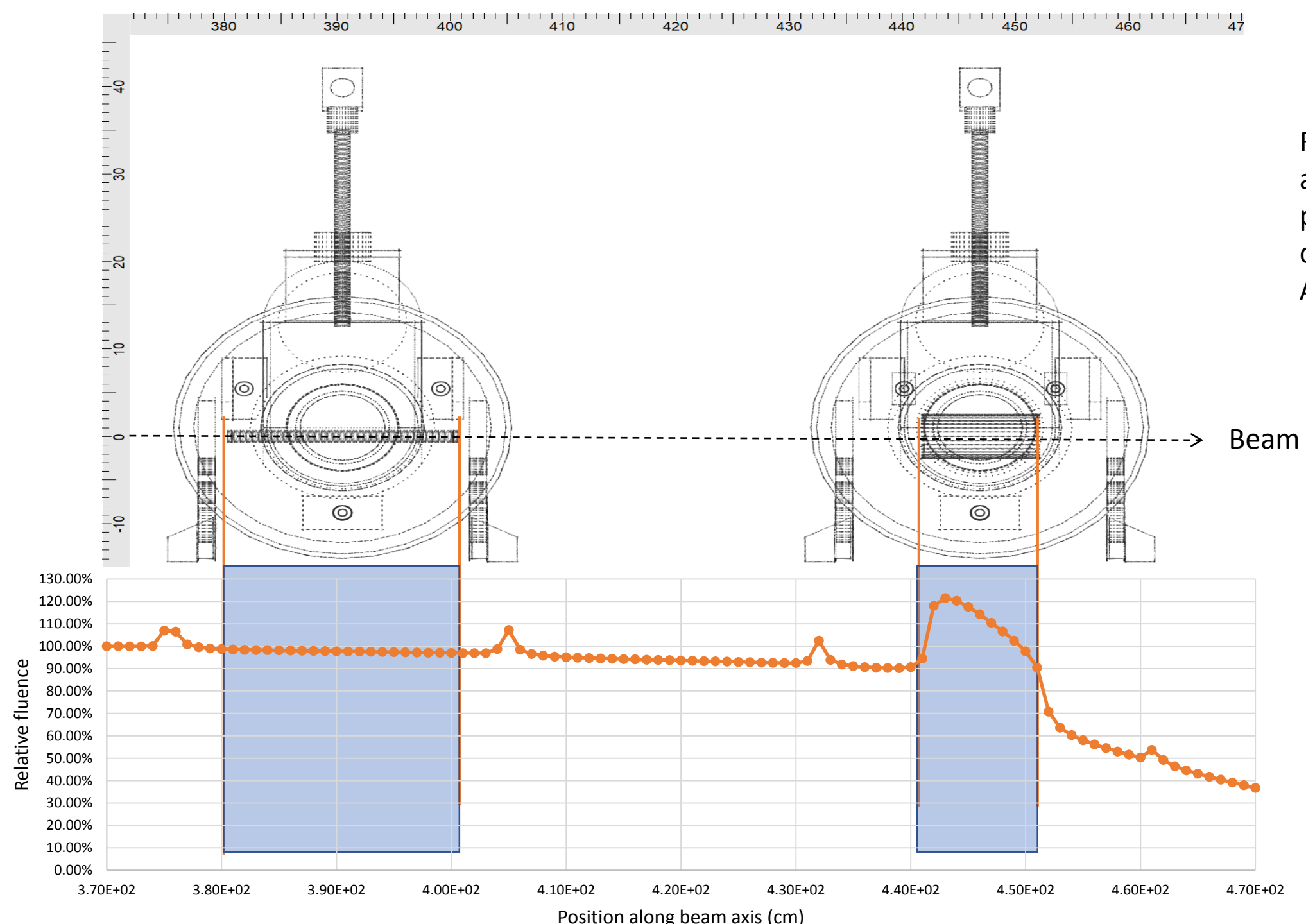
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* Photons not shown for clarity. Their contribution is < 1% to the isotope production of interest



Relative proton fluence
along beam axis

Beam →



Relative proton fluence along beam axis with primary proton beam directly impacting on the AlNi target

Beam →

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Gas chemical methods for the separation of elements in radioisotope production and activation analysis

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Though lead itself is volatile, most of these radioelements may be extracted from the lead target by **gas chemical methods** in a stream of air and separated with the help of high temperature chemical filters. In several experiments the pieces of irradiated Pb were mixed with quartz sand (weight ratio 1:3.5 or more) and heated slowly from 500 to 1100 °C. The heating was continued at this temperature for few hours in a stream of air. Thus lead and bismuth were transformed into

nonvolatile silicate form. Re, Os, Ir, Pt, Hg and Tl **radionuclides were sublimated**. Re, Os, Ir and Pt were separated in a **stream of oxygen** with the help of chemical filters. Thus, metallic gold absorbs Pt at high temperatures (1000 °C or more) and Ir at about 300–500 °C.⁸ Re and Os are more volatile in a stream of oxygen, these elements may be most effectively separated with the help of MgO or CaO filter absorbing Re at about 1100 °C.⁸