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Nuclear Astrophysics Landscape in Portugal



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Overview

- A bit of recent **Nuclear (Astro) history** in Portugal
- Portuguese participants/activities in **Nuclear &/or Astrophysics**
- Portuguese facilities for **Nuclear &/or Astrophysics**
- Recent **Low-Energy efforts** for NA in Portugal.
- **Summary**

Some Recent History

Of Portuguese Nuclear Science

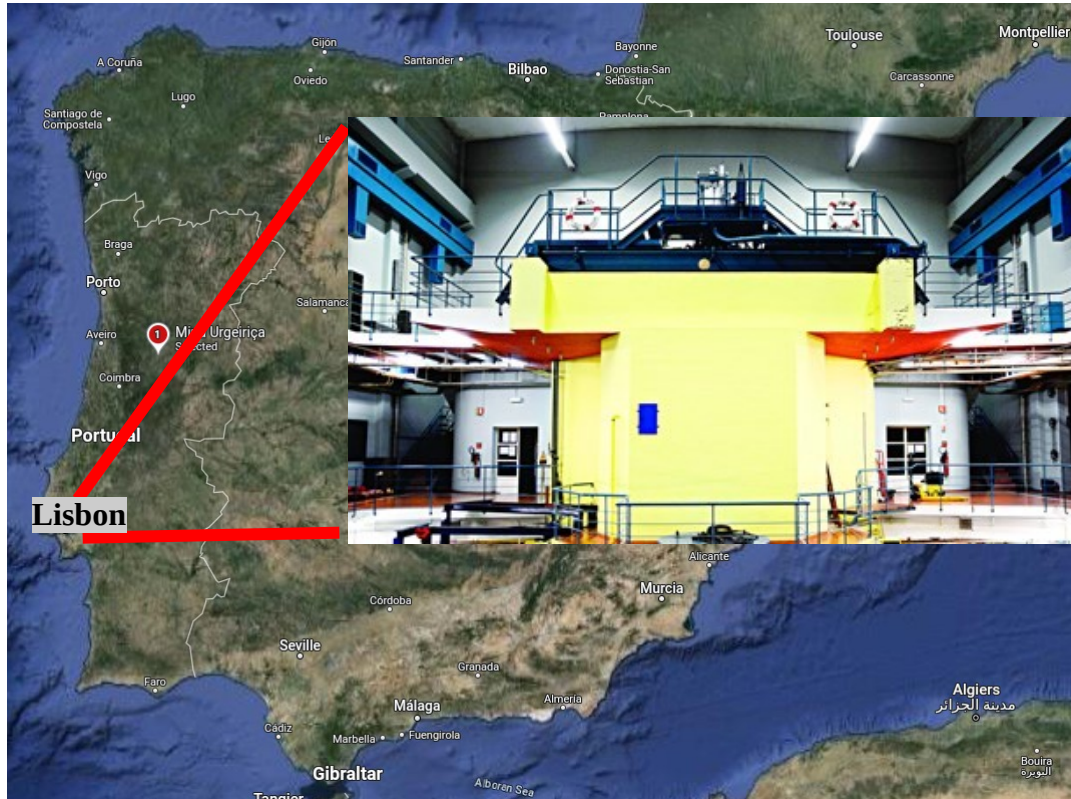
Nuclear History in Portugal



The Urgeiriça mines

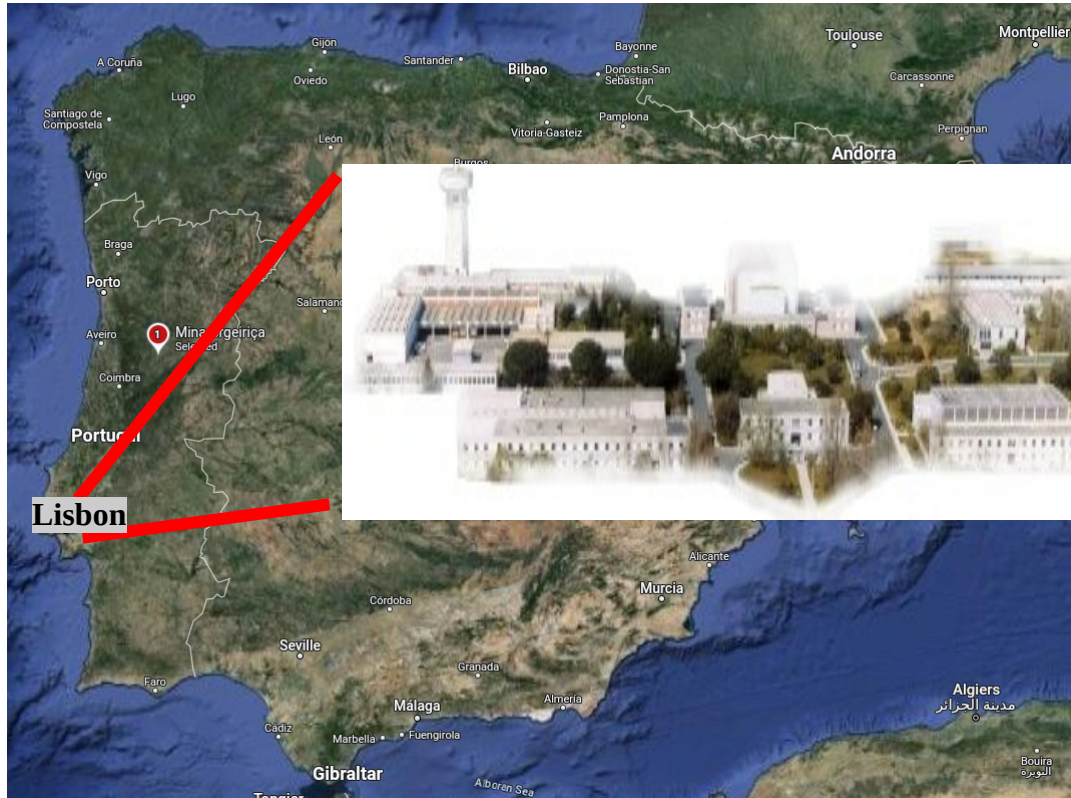
- Extraction of Radium
(under M. Curie's supervision)
1915 - 1944
- Extraction of Uranium
1946 - 1991
- Nuclear Energy Board
Founded in 1954

Nuclear History in Portugal



- Construction of the Portuguese Nuclear Reactor 1957

Nuclear History in Portugal



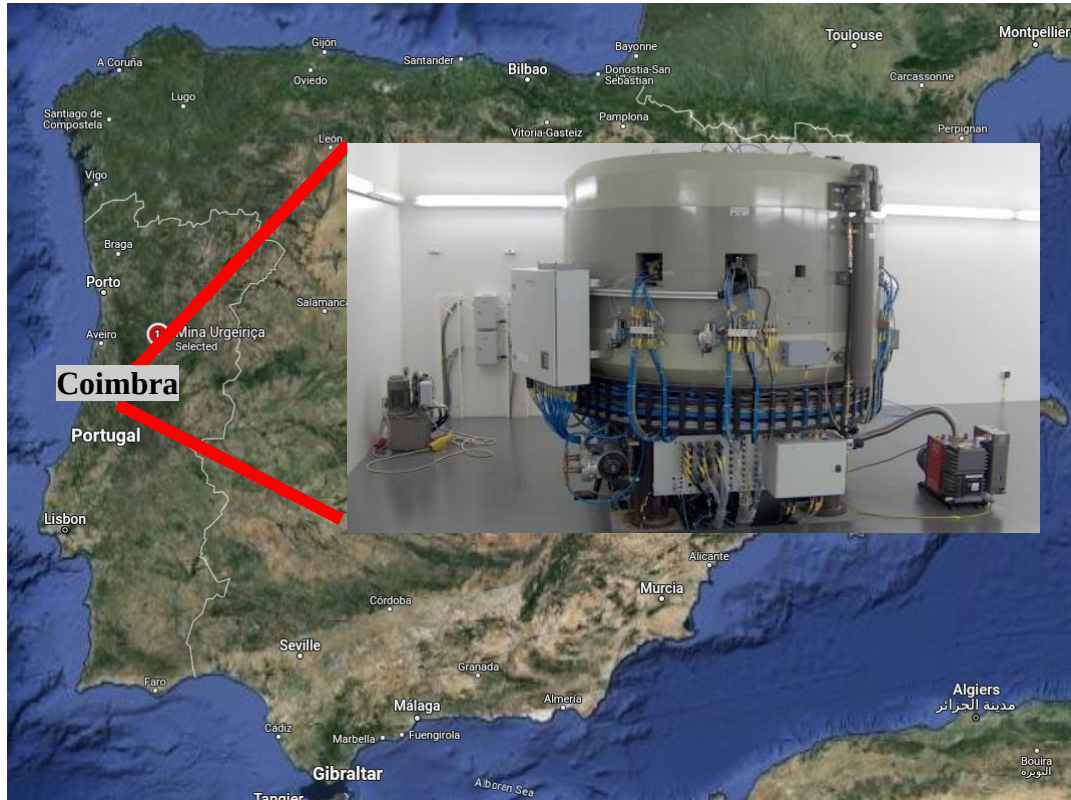
- Construction of the Portuguese Nuclear Reactor
1957

- Laboratory for Nuclear Physics and Engineering
1954



Nuclear Technological Campus (CTN)
2013

Nuclear History in Portugal



- Institute of Nuclear Sciences Applied to Health (ICNAS)
2010

Nuclear History in Portugal



- Portugal joins CERN
1986
- **LIP** is founded

Nuclear History in Portugal



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2024

- **LIP** has grown to over **200 people** and **3 poles** in Portugal

Portuguese International Partnerships



European Southern Observatory

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Portuguese in the Cosmos

of Nuclear Astrophysics

Portuguese in the Cosmos: LUNA



J. Cruz

● A. Jesus & J. Cruz

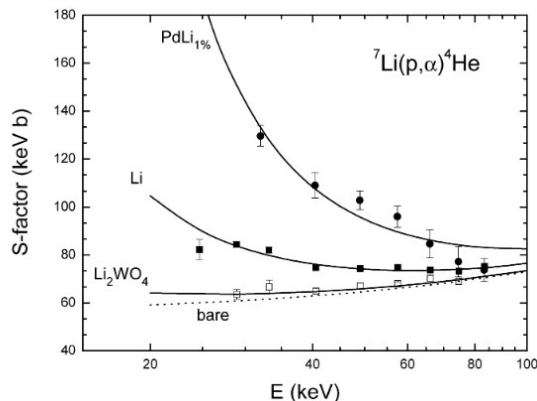
Collaboration with C. Rolfs

1990s to 2006

Members of the LUNA collaboration

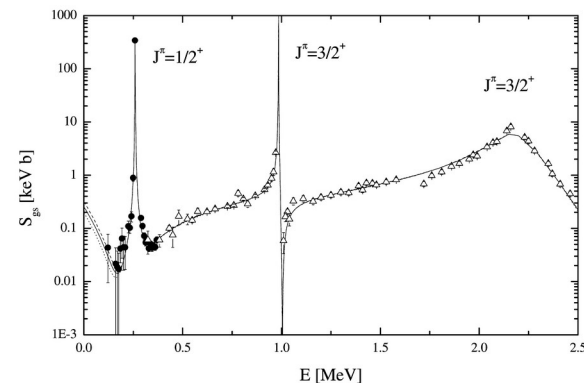


Electron screening studies



J. Cruz et al., Phys. Lett. B 624, 181 (2005)

Study of the $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ reaction



A. Formicola et al., Phys. Lett. B 591, 61 (2004) 12

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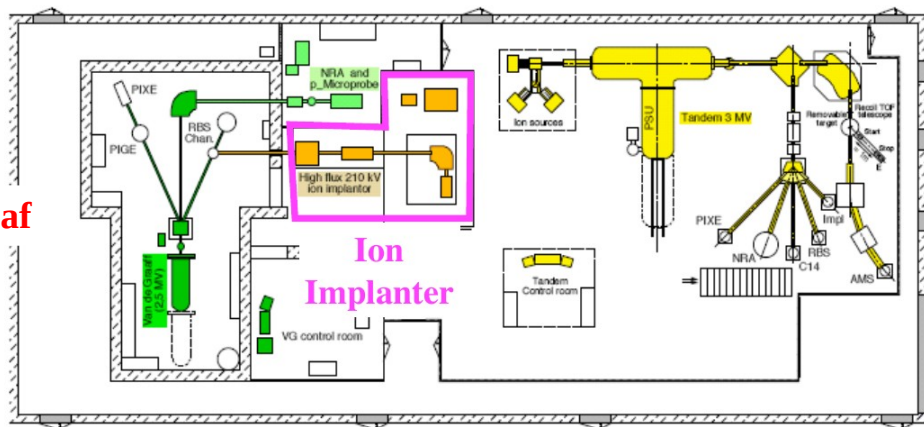
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- Presently: J. Cruz recovered the line of collaboration with **LUNA** for the $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ reaction



→ Production and characterization of ^{14}N implanted targets for $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ measurement at **LUNA**

Van de Graaf



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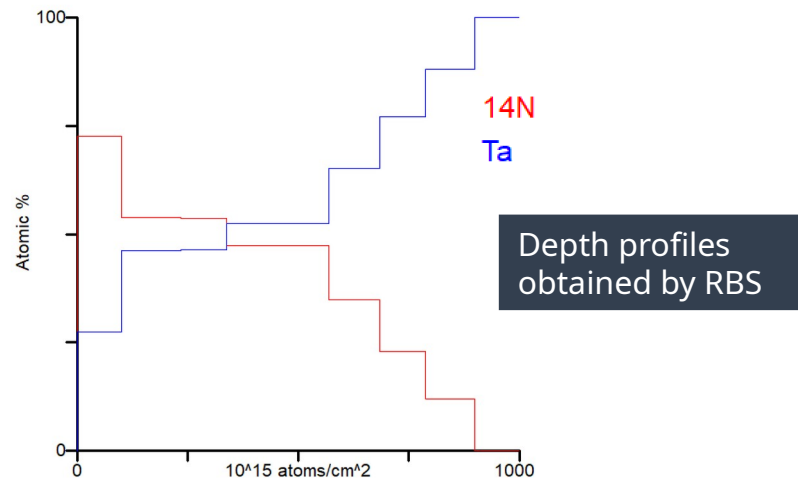
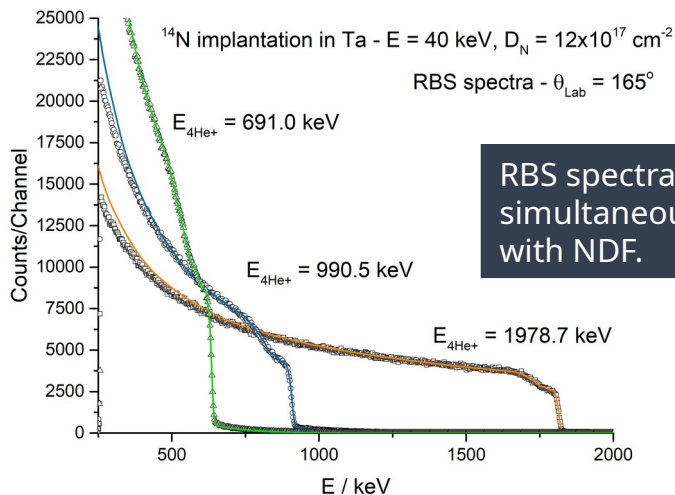


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^{14}N implantations in Ta - $E = 40 \text{ keV}$

★ RBS analysis @ 2.5 MV Van de Graaff accelerator (CTN-IST)

→ $^4\text{He}^+$ beam and 3 energies: 691.0 keV, 990.5 keV and 1978.7 keV

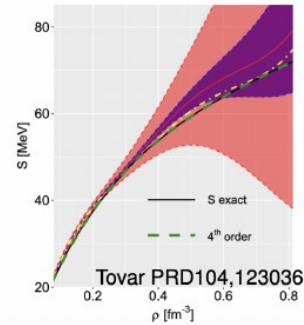
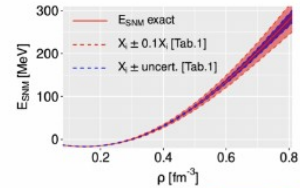
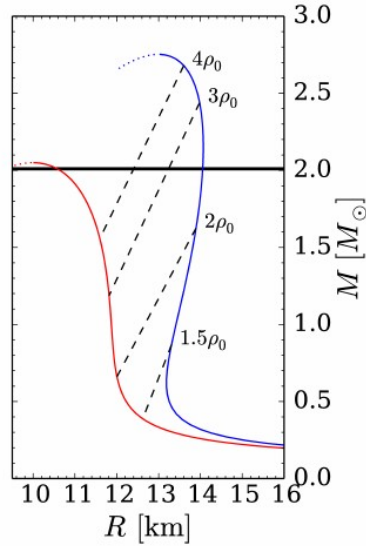
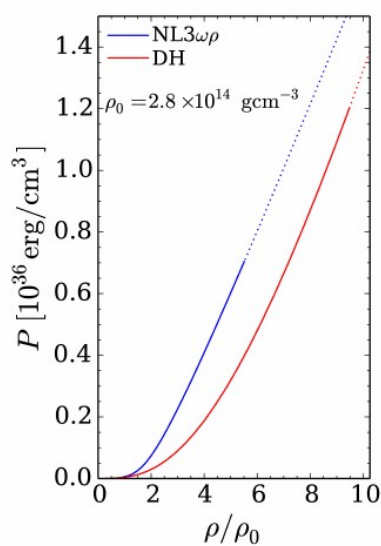




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Portuguese in the Cosmos: Neutron Stars

- ▶ Neutrons stars provide a laboratory for testing
 - ▶ nuclear physics: high density, highly asymmetric matter
 - ▶ QCD: deconfinement, quark matter, superconducting phases
- ▶ mass-radius \rightarrow equation of state \rightarrow composition?

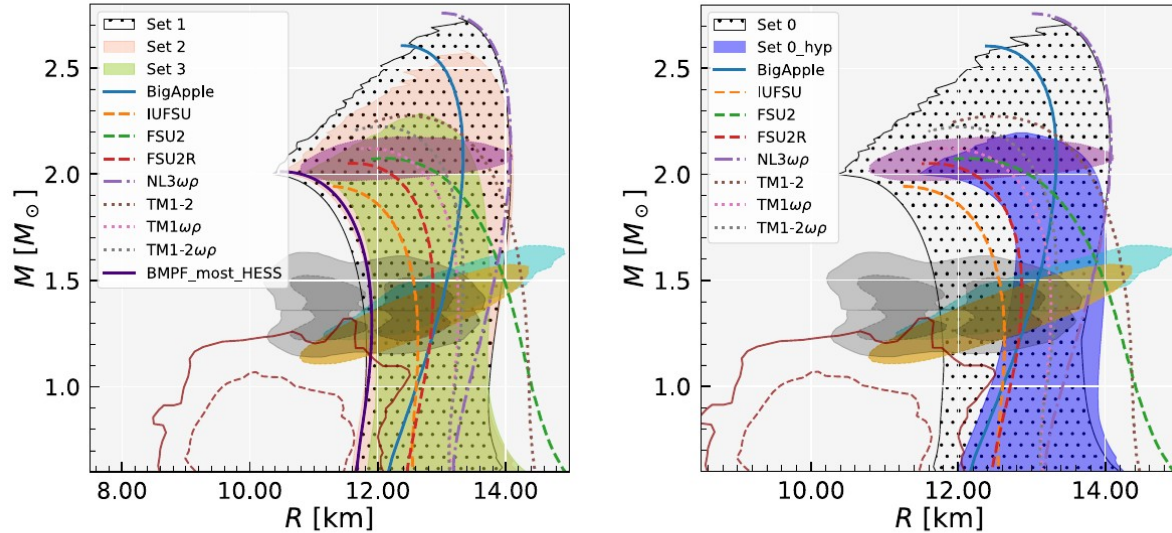




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NS properties: full posterior NL



- ▶ **Observations:** GW170817, NICER J0740 and J0030, HESS
- ▶ **RMF models:** NL3 $\omega\rho$, FSU2, FSU2R, IUFSU, BigApple, TM1-2($\omega\rho$)
- ▶ **Bayesian study Left:** Set 1 ($\xi < 0.004$), 2, 3 ($\xi > 0.015$)
- ▶ **Bayesian study Right:** Set 0 with and without hyperons



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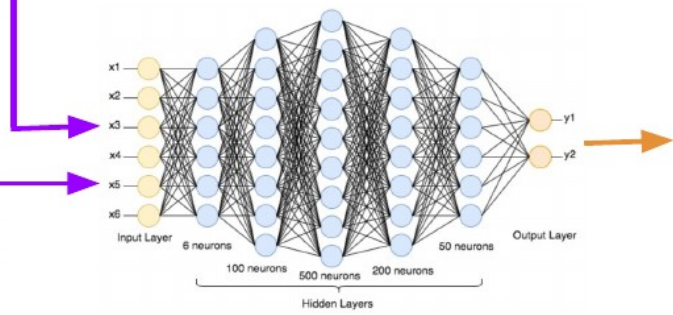
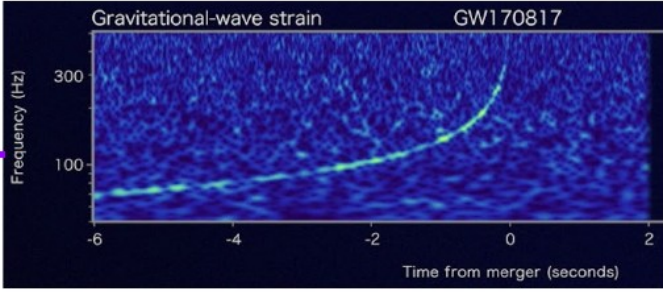
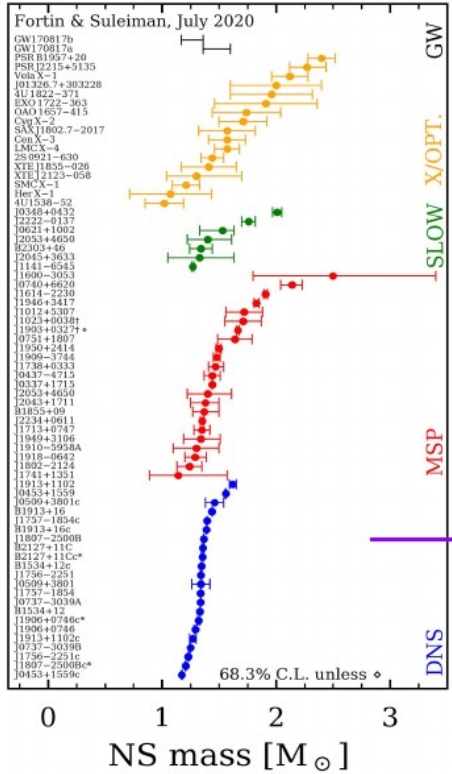


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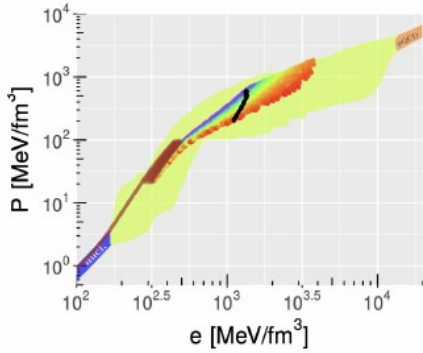


Portuguese in the Cosmos: Neutron Stars

Neutron Star Physics and Machine Learning



Inference model



Nuclear matter EOS



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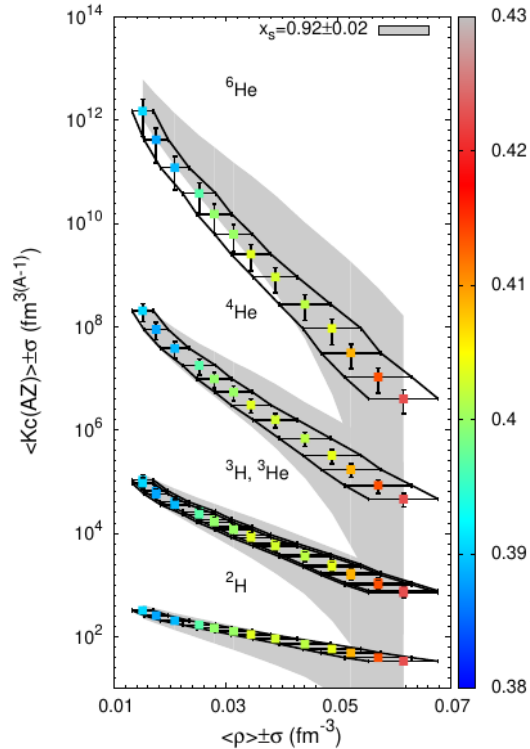
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Equilibrium constants: model versus experiment

System $^{136}\text{Xe}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ (INDRA - GANIL), Bougault *et al* JPG 47 (2020) 025103

Chemical equilibrium constants :

- ▶ $K_c[i] = \rho_i / (\rho_p^{Z_i} \rho_n^{N_i})$
- ▶ chemical equilibrium constants for homogeneous matter with five light clusters
- ▶ calculated at the average value of $(T, \rho_{\text{exp}}, y_{pg,\text{exp}})$
- ▶ cluster-meson scalar coupling constants $g_{S_i} = x_{S_i} A_i g_S$, with $x_{S_i} = 0.92 \pm 0.02$
- ▶ global proton fraction: color code



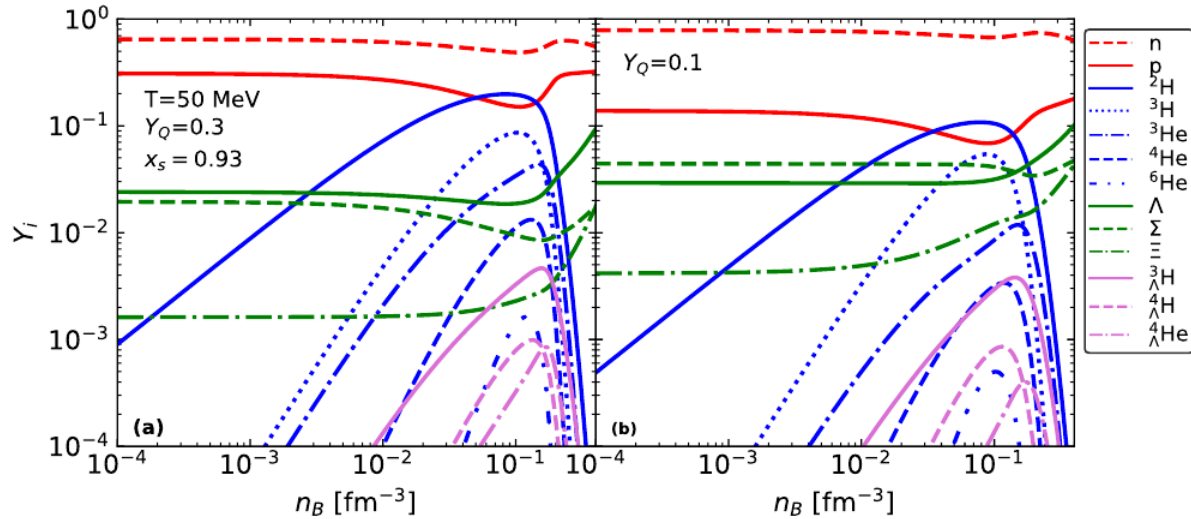
H. Pais et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 012701 (2020)



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Light hyperclusters: how abundant in warm low density matter?



- ▶ Mass fractions of the **unbound protons and neutrons**
 Λ , Σ and Ξ , light clusters and light hypernuclei
- ▶ **Hypernuclei** may be more abundant than α -particles or other heavier clusters, for small Y_Q

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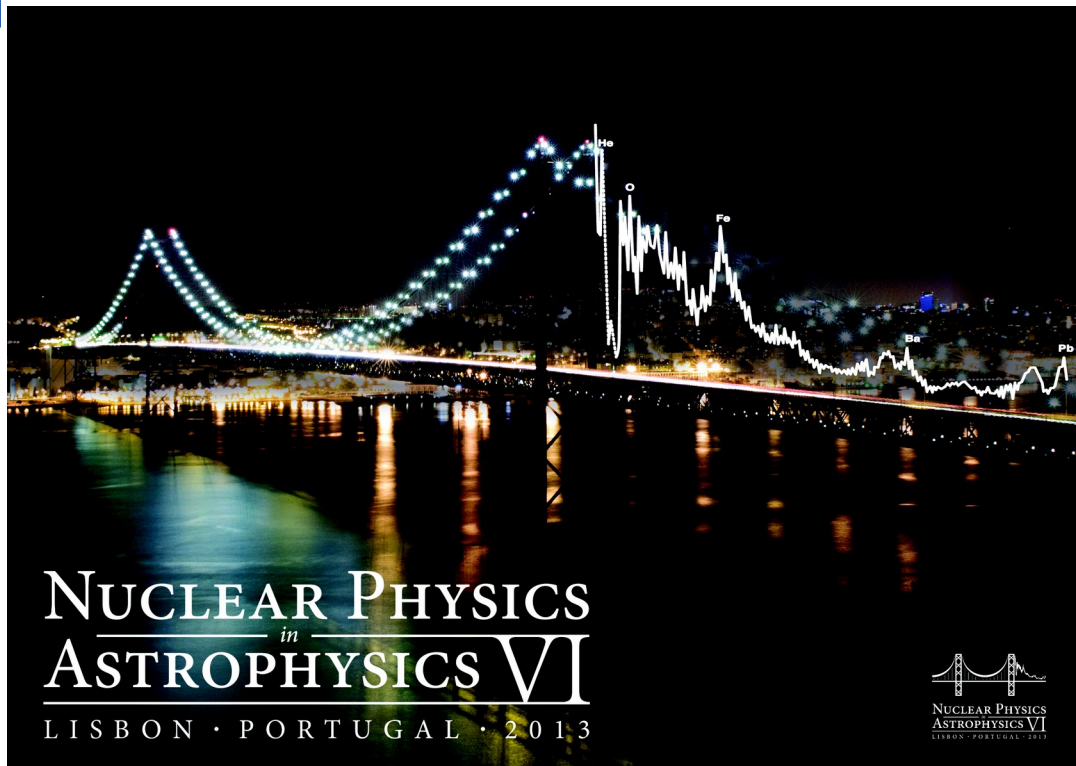


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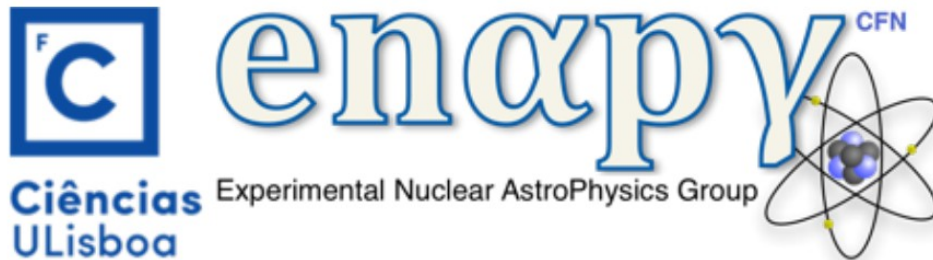
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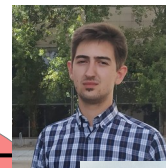
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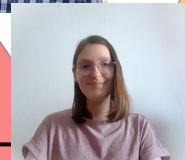
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Portuguese in the Cosmos: Networks and Collaborations

- COST Actions: Compstar, NewCompstar, PHAROS, ChETEC
- Collaborations: MUSES, SKA, CompOSE, R³B/FAIR, IANNA/IReNA
- Infra-structure Projects: EURONS, ENSAR, ENSAR2, EURO-LABS

Facilities

In Portugal for Nuclear Astrophysics

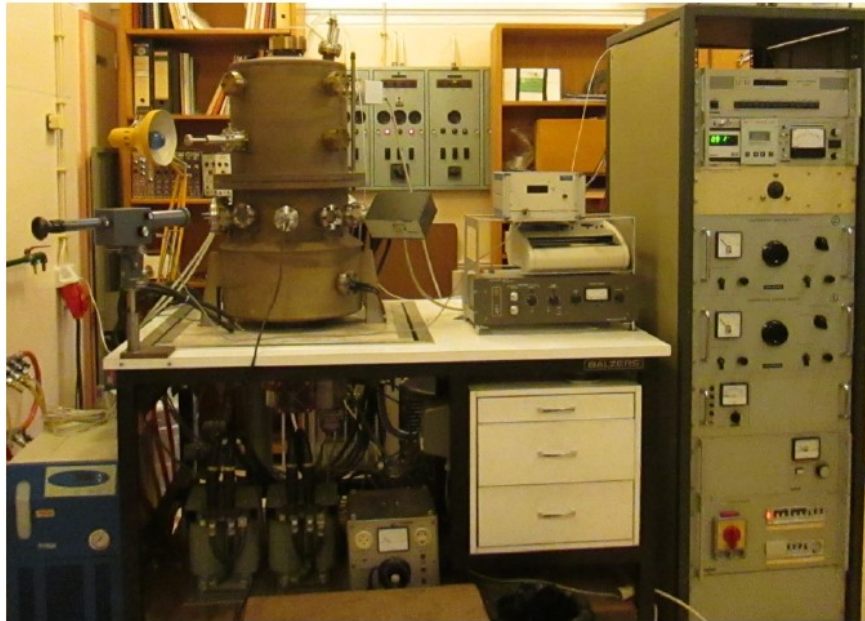
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Lisbon (Portugal)



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Ultra High-Vacuum Thermal Evaporator



Tomorrow's talk
by
P. Teubig

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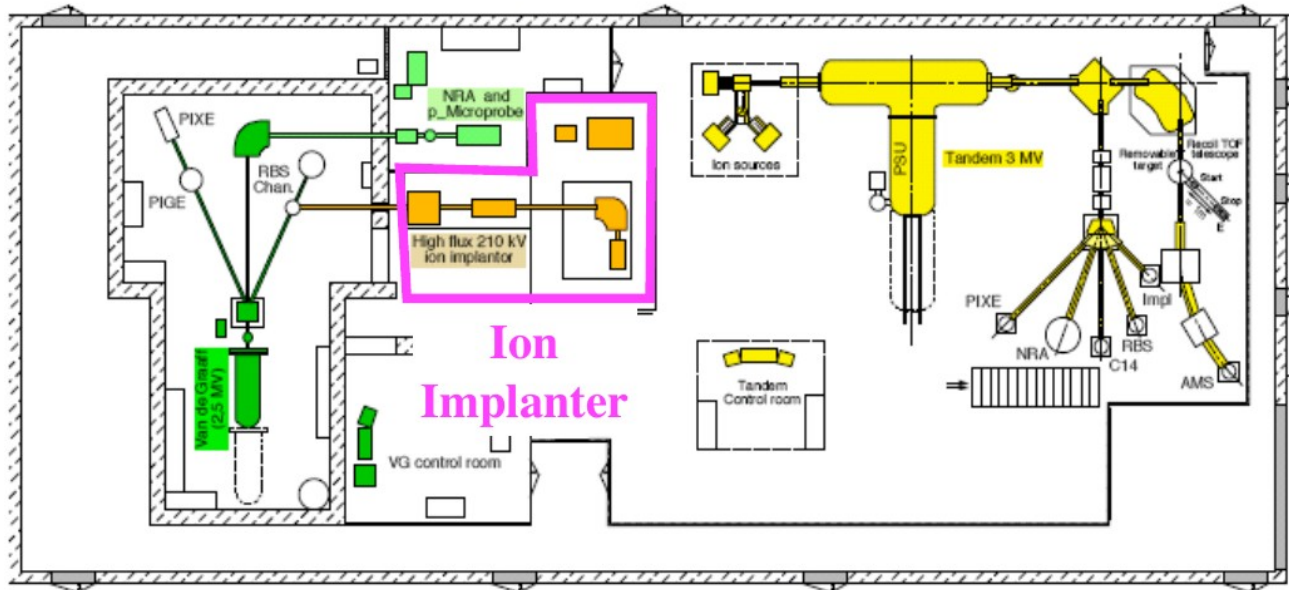
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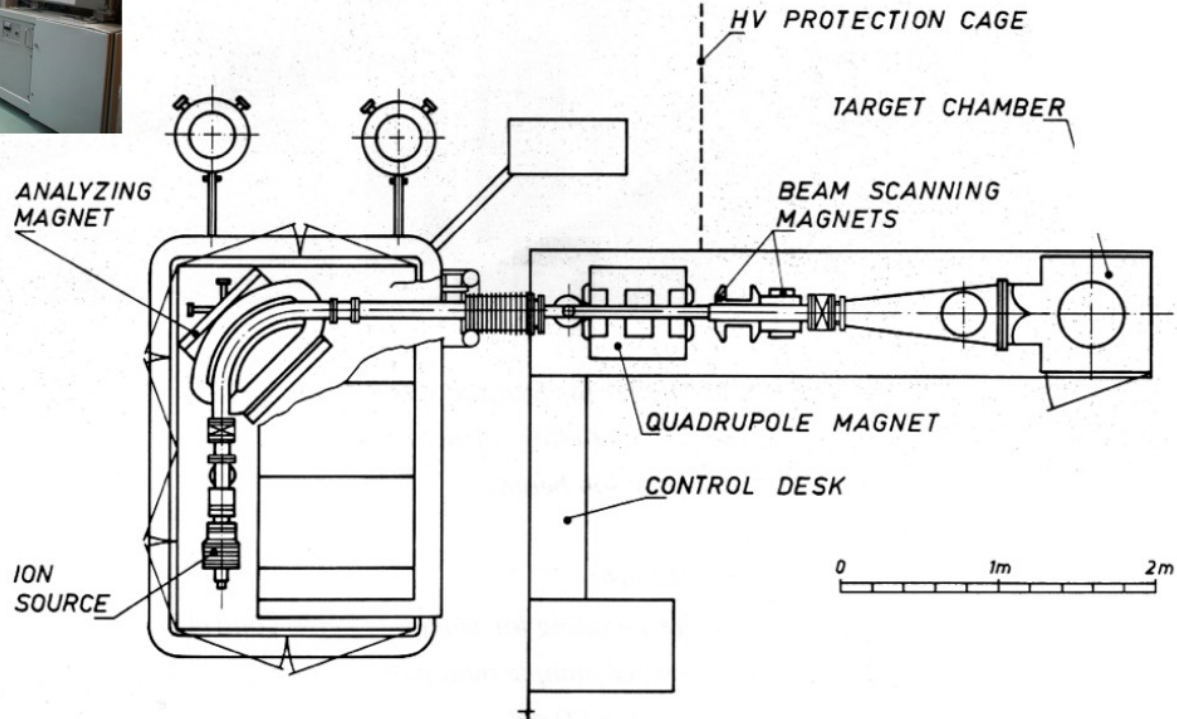
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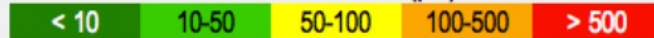
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210 kV Ion Implanter

Already implanted ions

Beam current (μA)



H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac															
		Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu		
		Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr		

Implanted targets on **thick** (Ta) and **thin** (C) substrates

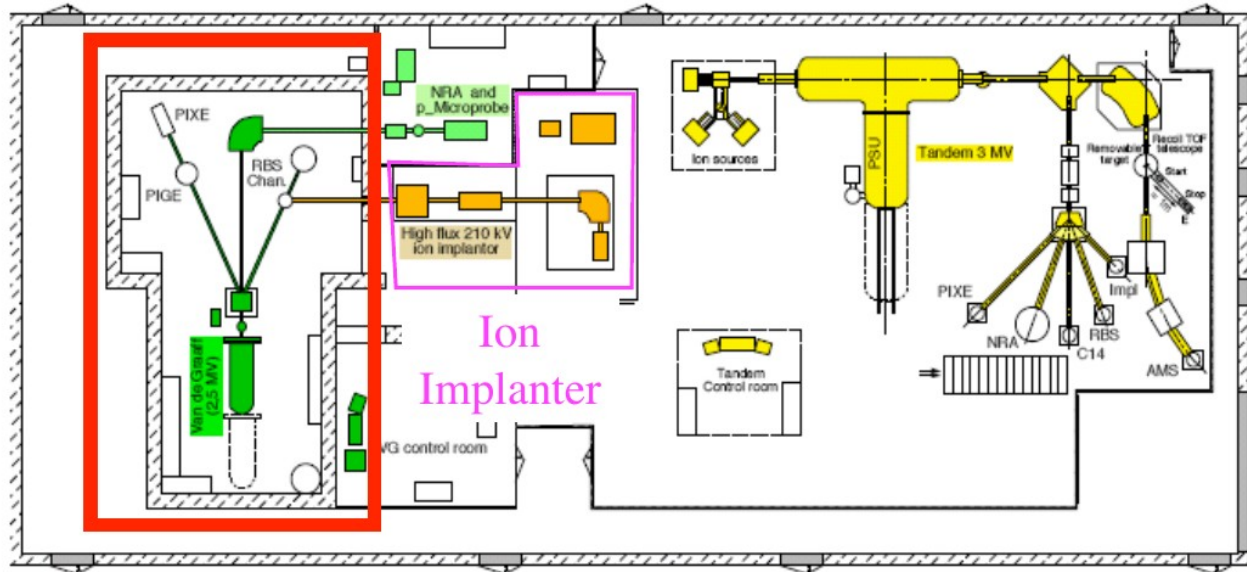
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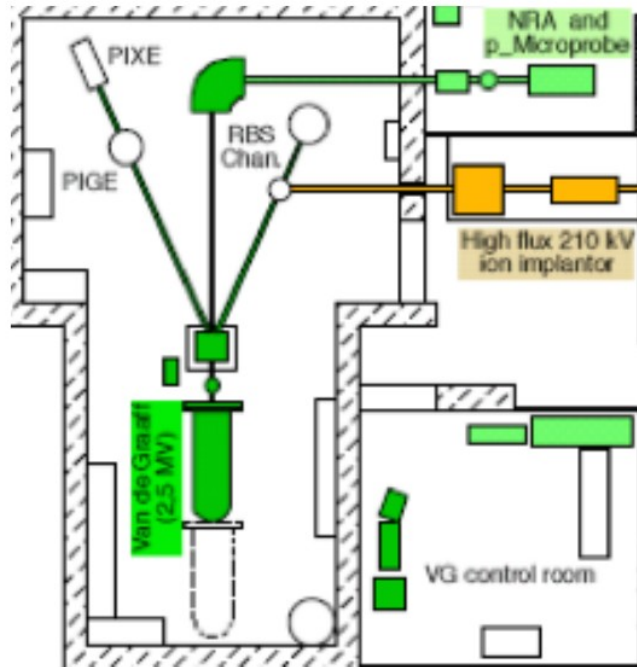


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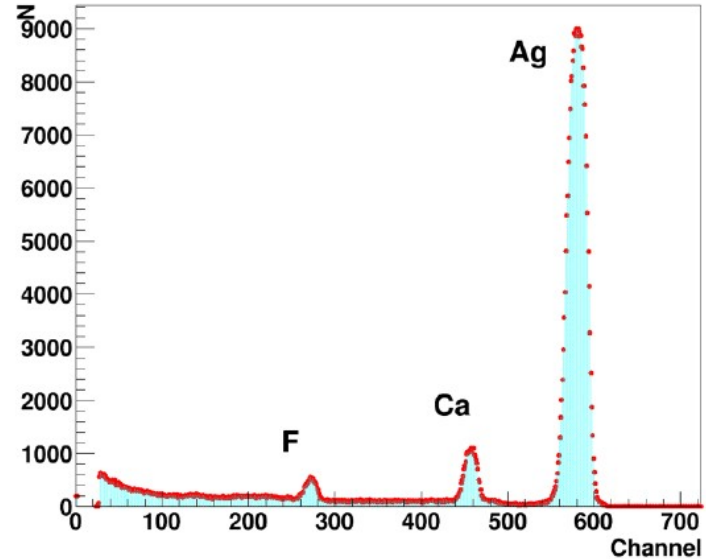
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Rutherford Back Scattering line



Local characterisation of evaporated/implanted targets

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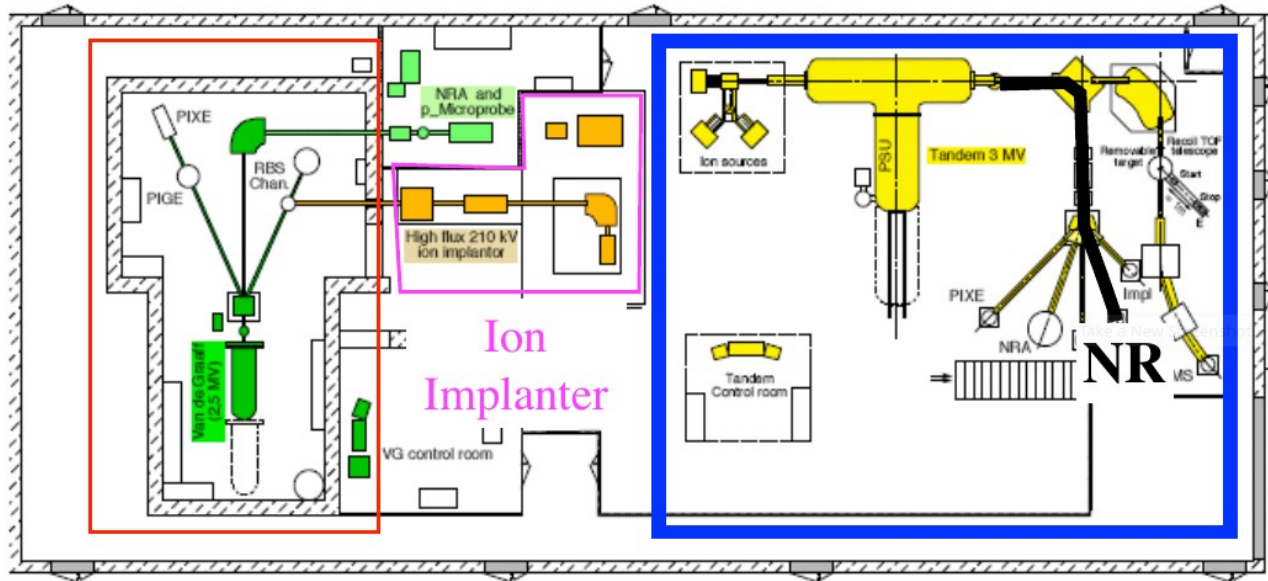


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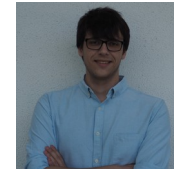
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NaI, BaF₂ scintillators

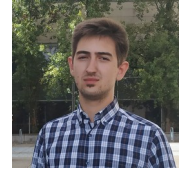
Low-Energy approaches

for Nuclear Astrophysics

Activation studies with X-ray detection

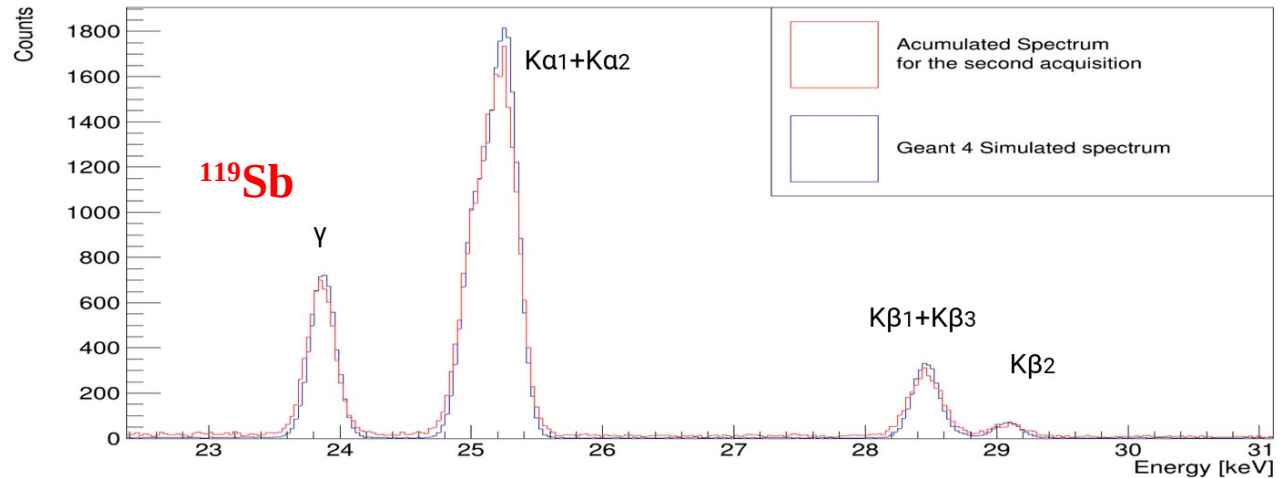
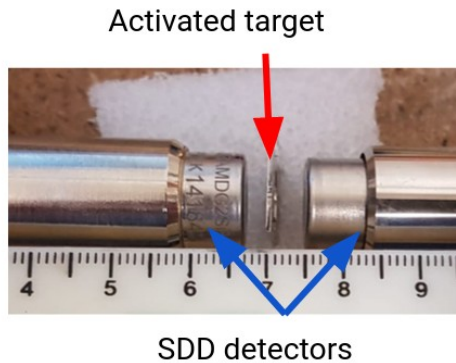


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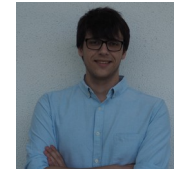


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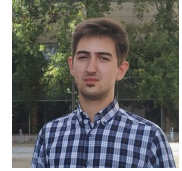
● Phase 1: Sn-nat activation



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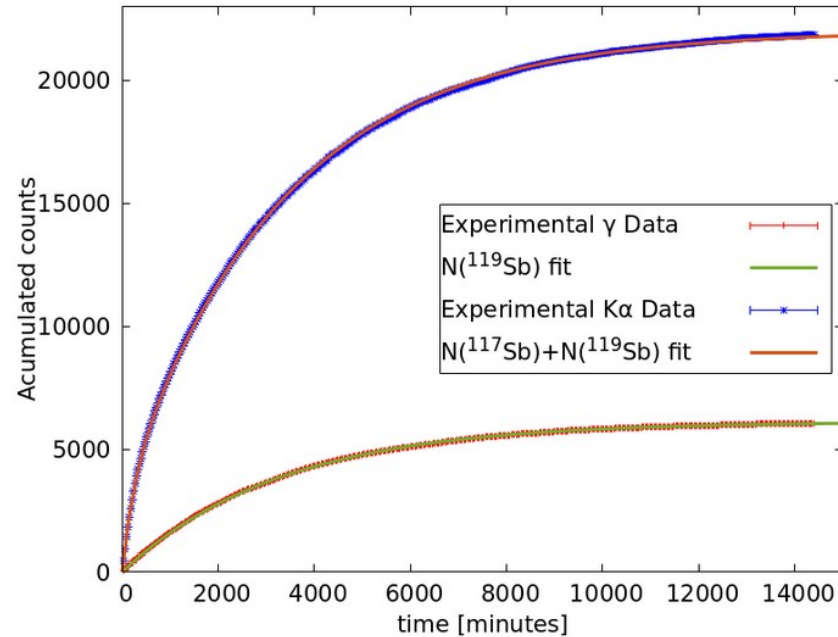
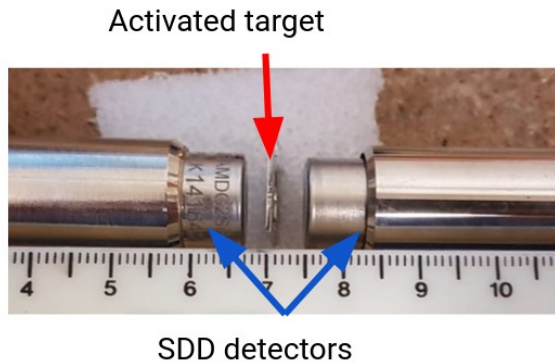


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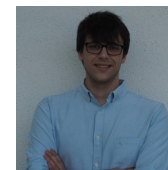


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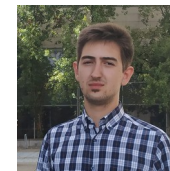
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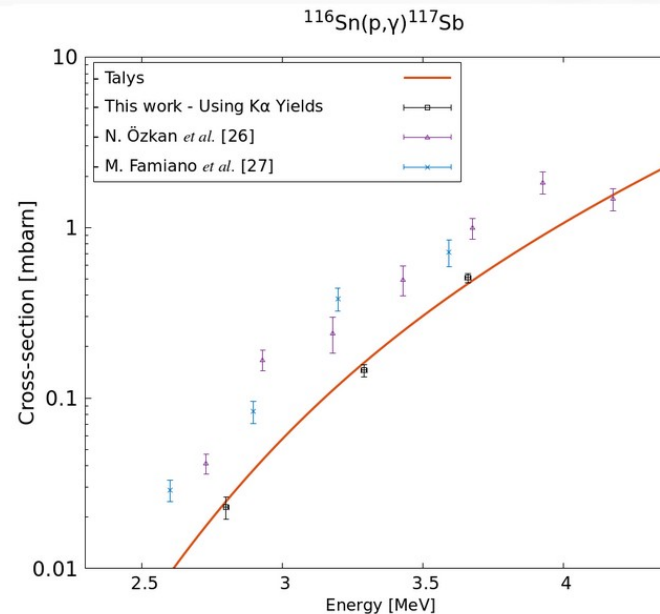
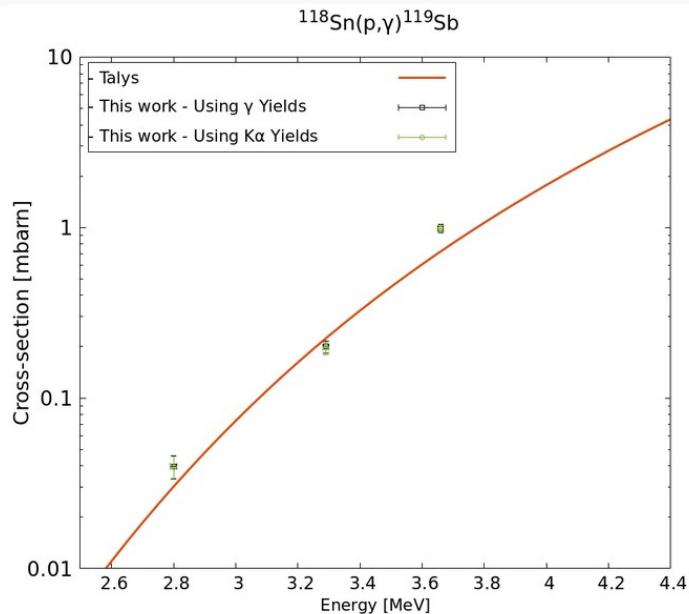


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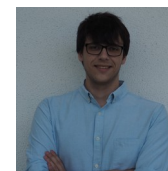


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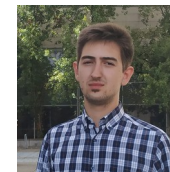
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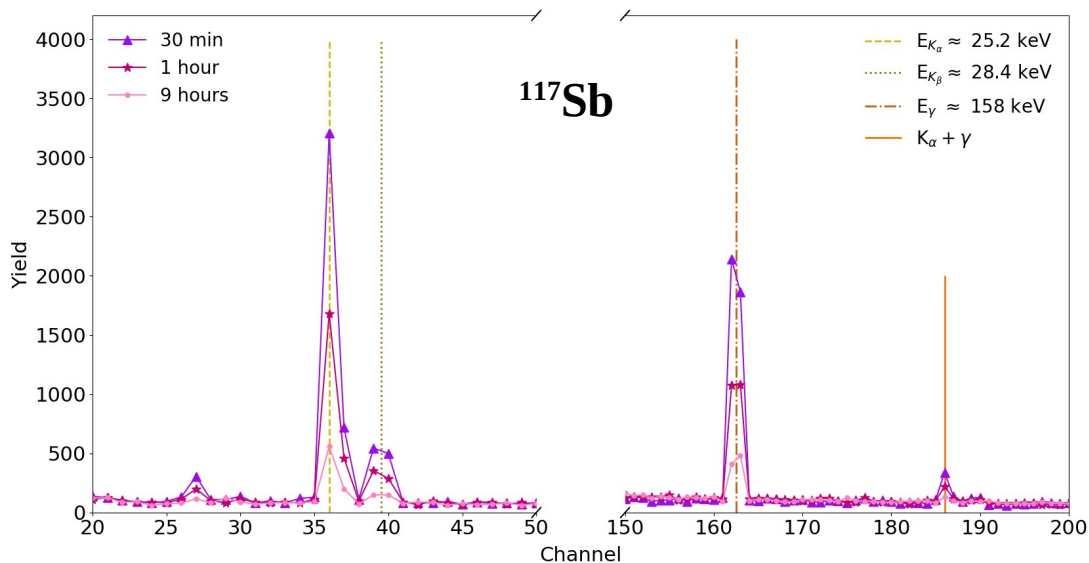


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● Phase 2: ^{116}Sn activation



HPGe + SDD detectors

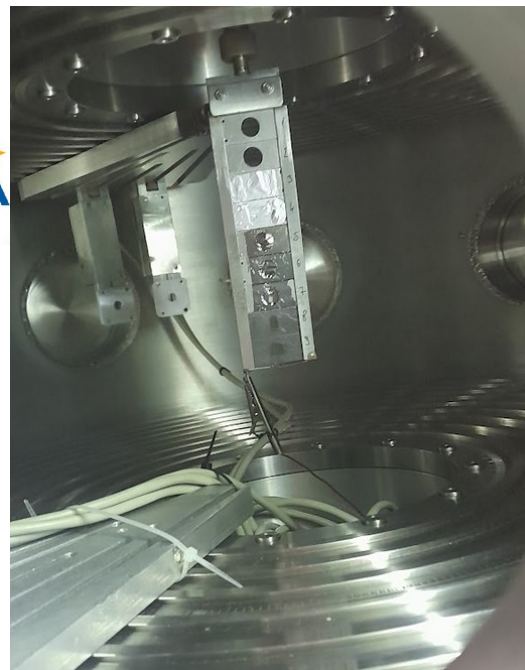
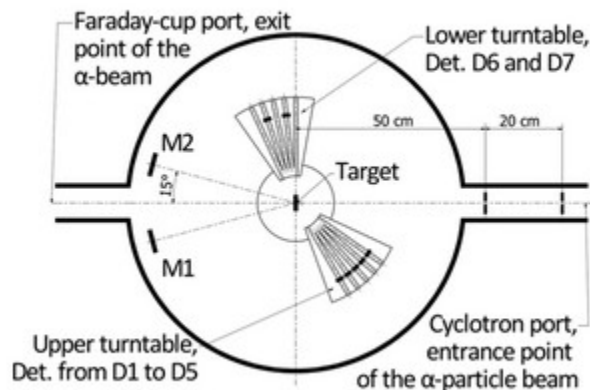


Alpha-scattering studies in ATOMKI



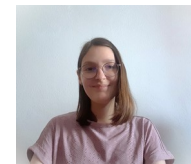
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$^{116}\text{Sn}(\alpha,\alpha)^{116}\text{Sn}$ and $^{118}\text{Sn}(\alpha,\alpha)^{118}\text{Sn}$



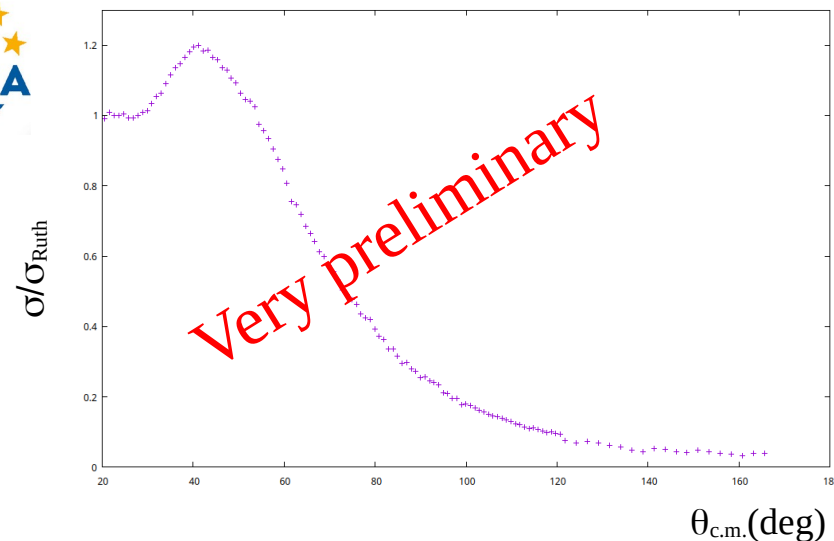
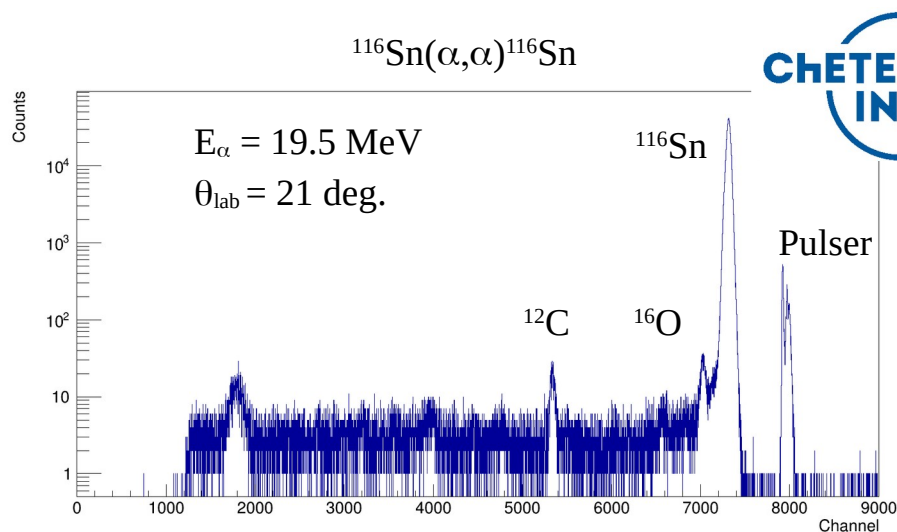
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Wrapping up...

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Obrigado!



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