



# Recent results from the AGATA Demonstrator Array at LNL

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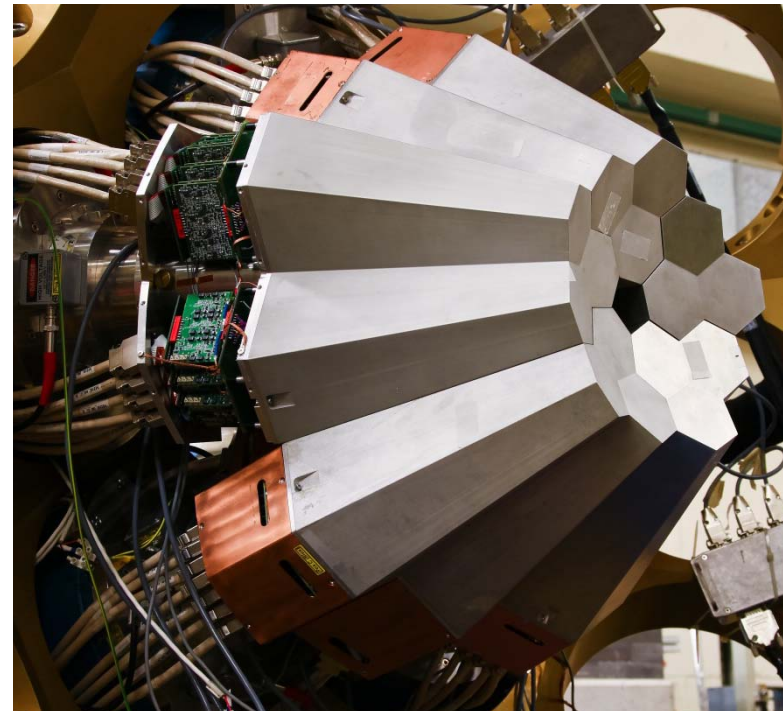
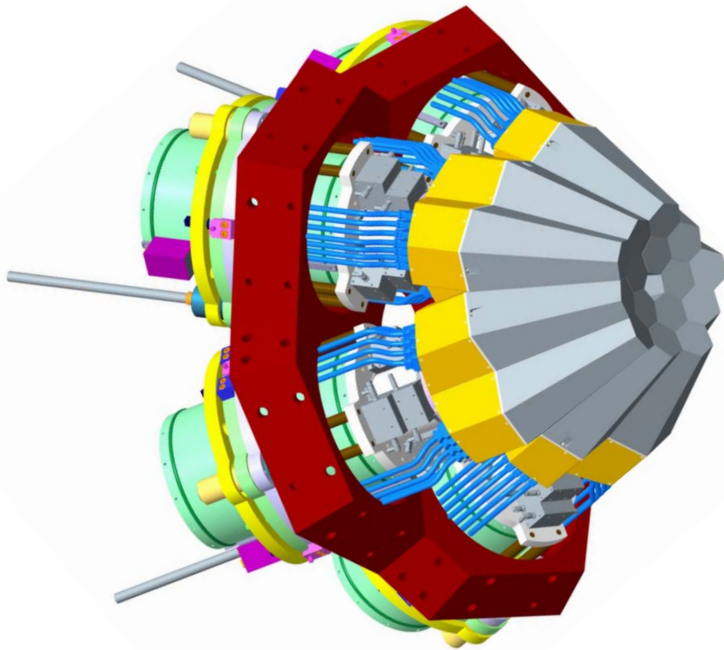
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On behalf of the AGATA Collaboration

1. The AGATA Demonstrator at Legnaro
2. Highlights from the performed experiments

# The AGATA Demonstrator

Objective of the final R&D phase 2003-2008



**5 asymmetric triple-clusters**

36-fold segmented crystals

555 digital-channels

Eff. 3 - 8 % @  $M_\gamma = 1$

Eff. 2 - 4 % @  $M_\gamma = 30$

**Full EDAQ** with on line PSA and  $\gamma$ -ray tracking

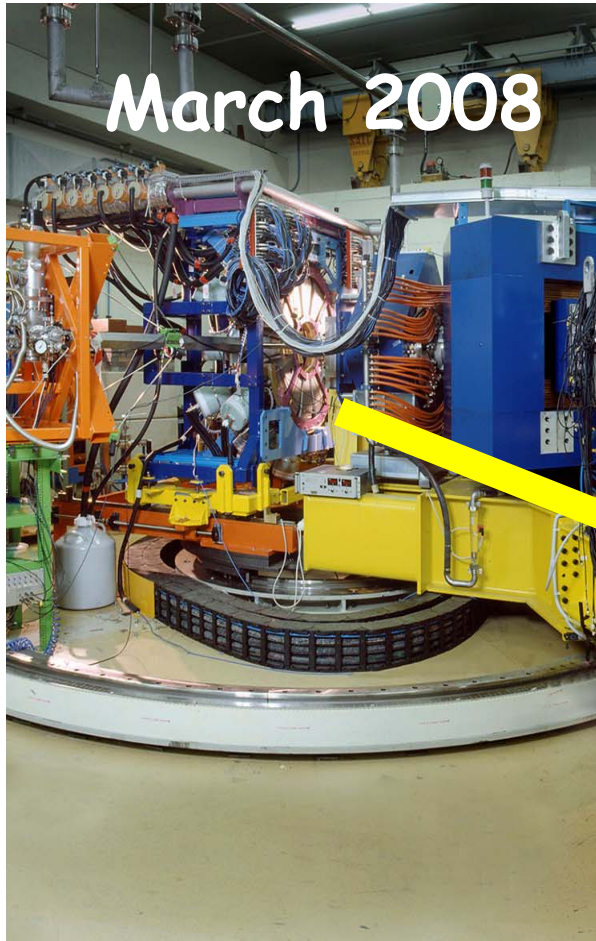
**In beam Commissioning**

First installation site: **LNL**

**Main issue is Doppler correction capability**  
**→ coupling to beam and recoil tracking devices**

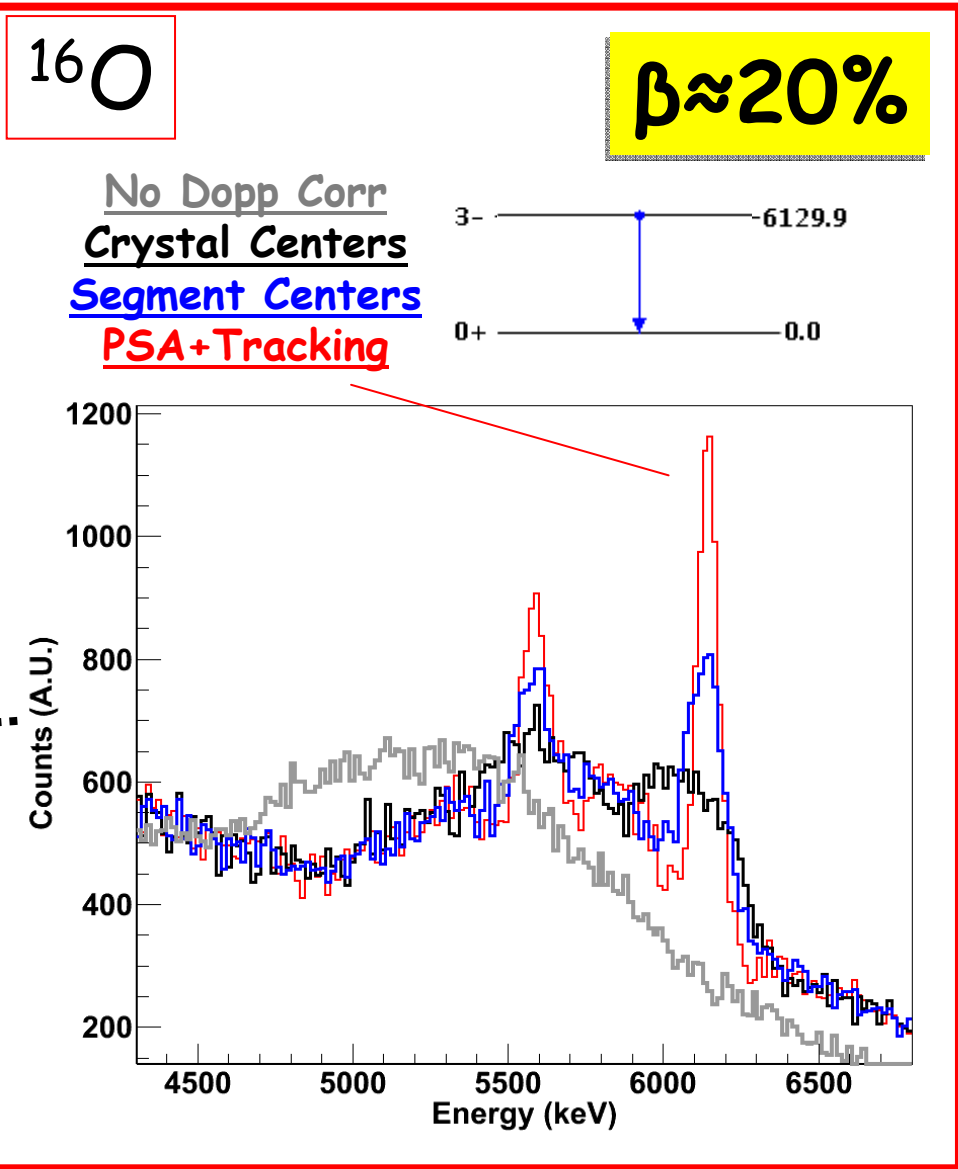
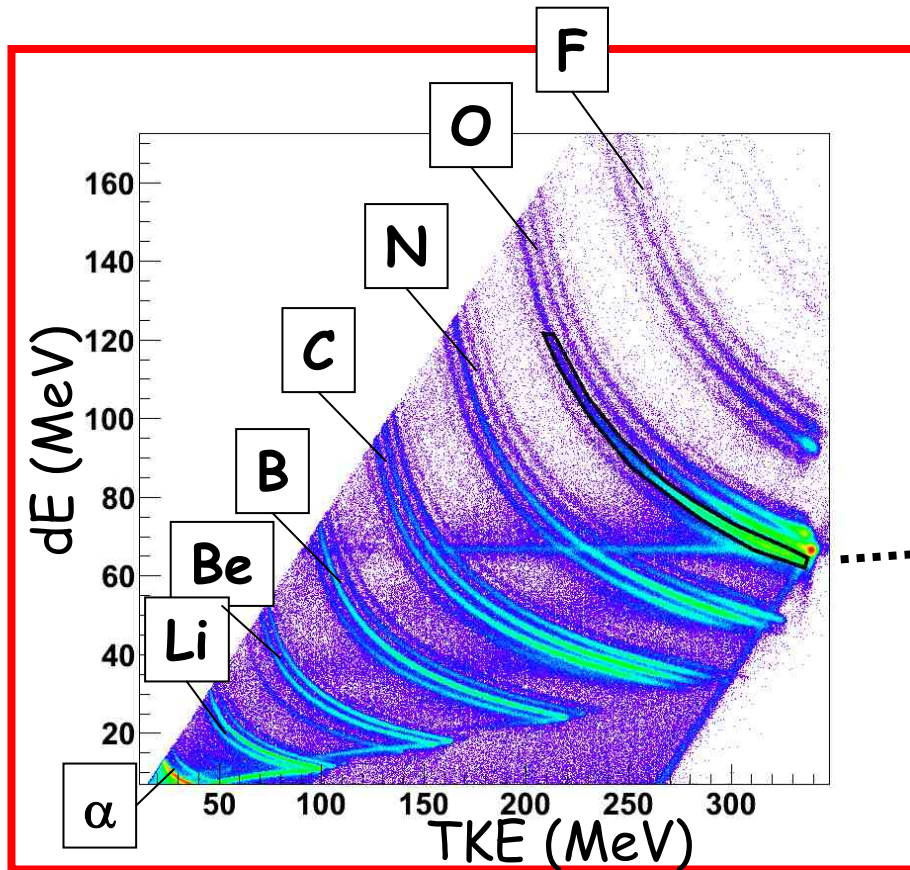


# From CLARA to AGATA



# Doppler correction capabilities

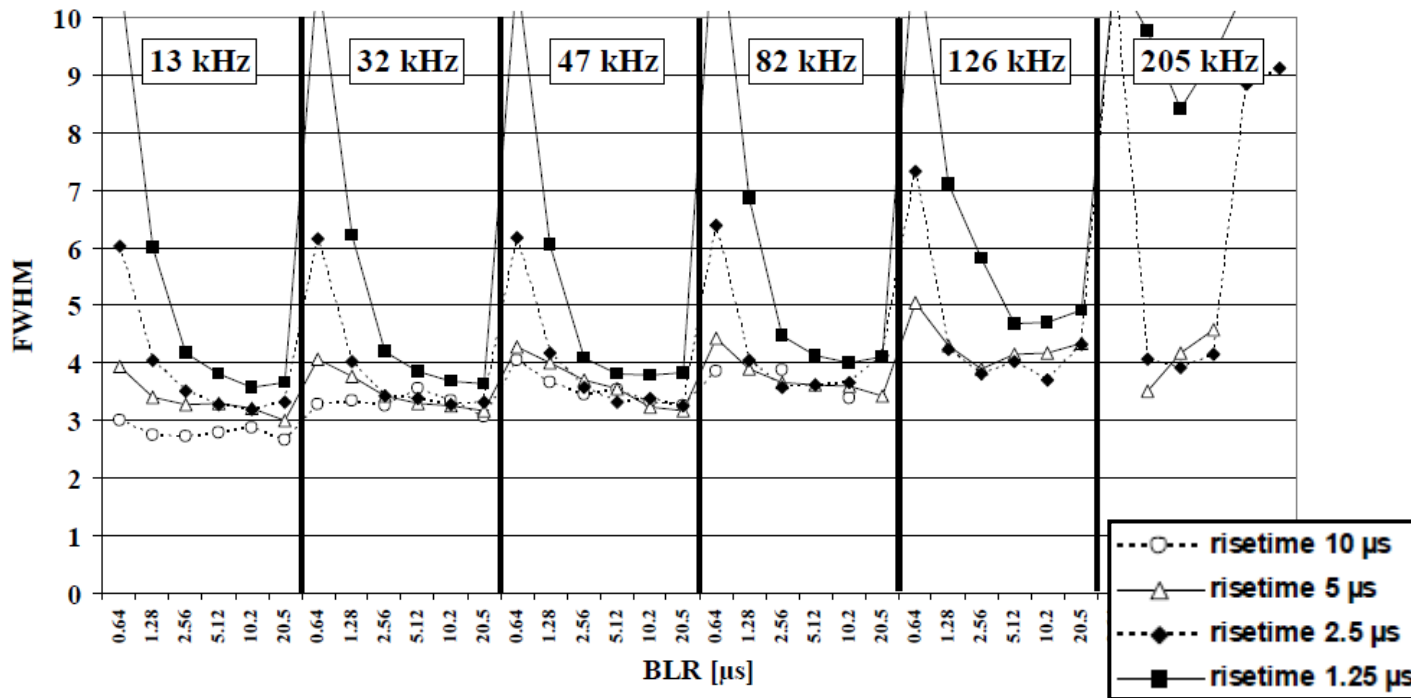
Inelastic scattering  
 $^{17}\text{O}$  @ 20 MeV/u on  $^{208}\text{Pb}$





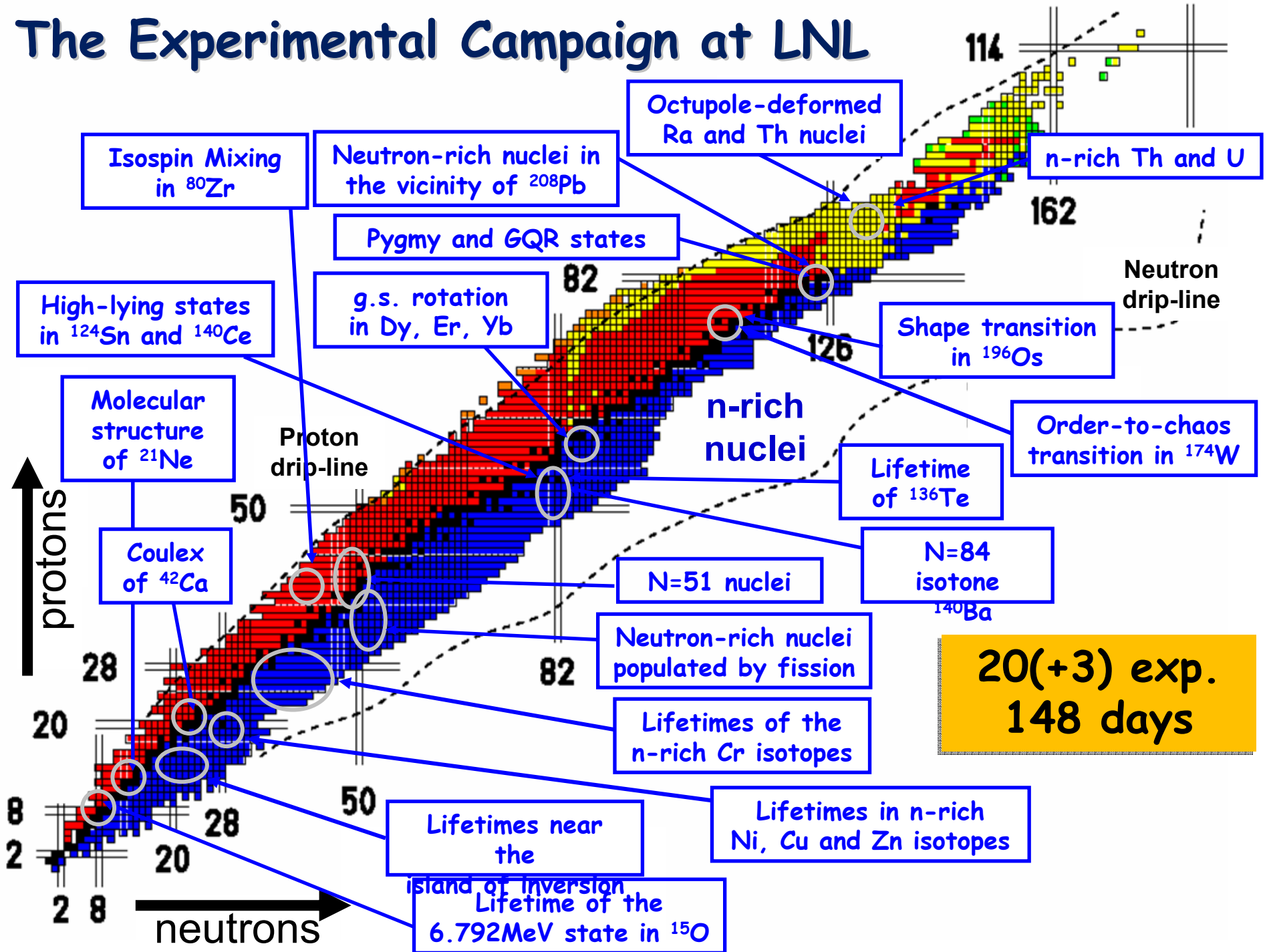
# Resolution vs rate

6 different rates x 4 trapezoid risetime x 6 blr length

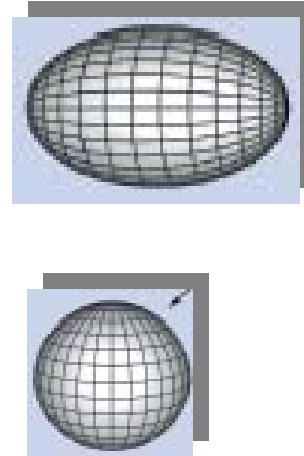
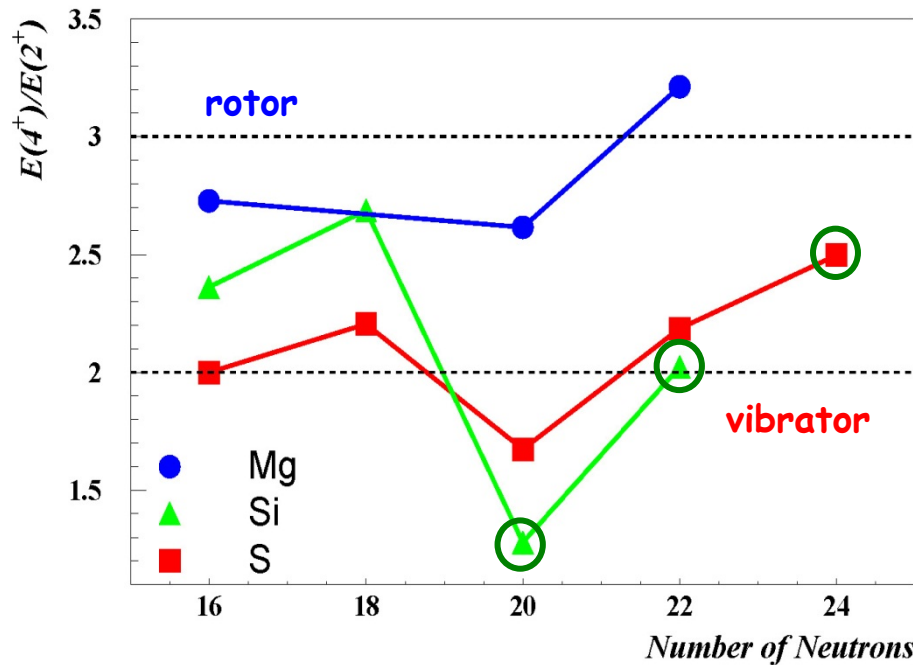


Two independent sources of dead-time: pile-up rejector and GTS

# The Experimental Campaign at LNL

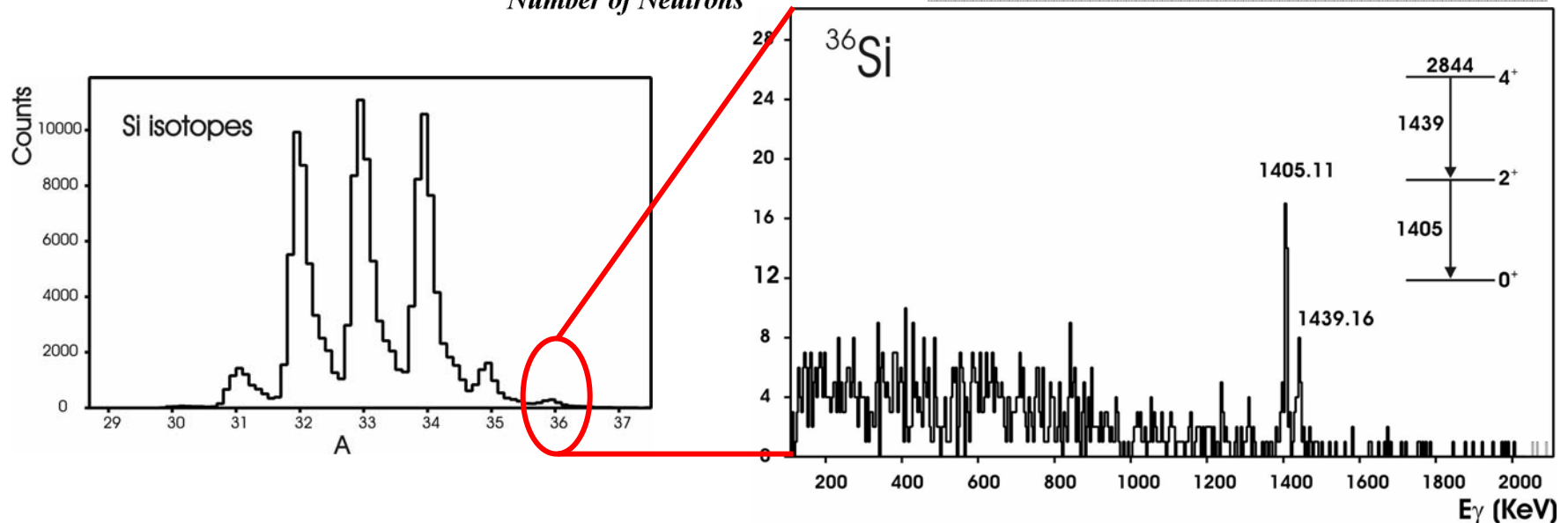


# Around the island of inversion



Transition from harmonic vibrator to rotor between Si and Mg at N=22?

X. Liang et al., PRC 74, 014311 (2006)

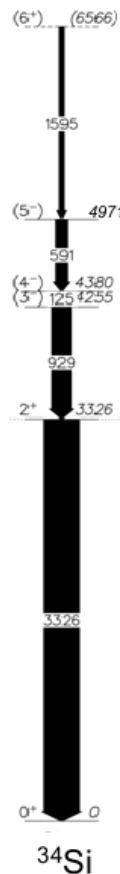


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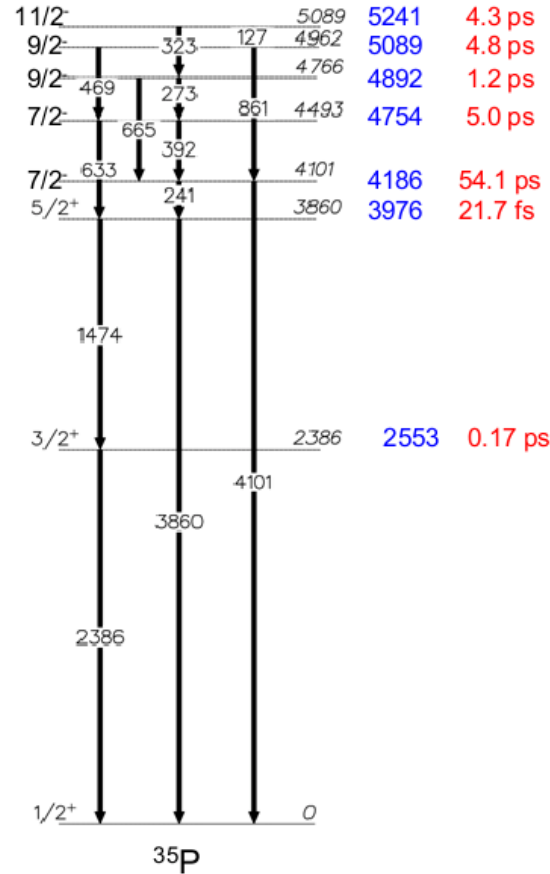
Shell model calculations (Antoine+PSDPF) reproduce fairly the observed level energies (CLARA-PRISMA data), transition probabilities are needed to provide more stringent test of the model!



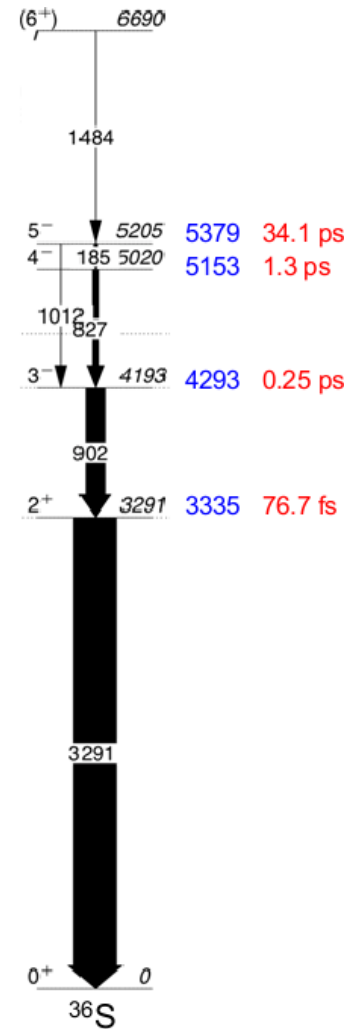
**AGATA+PRISMA**  
**+plunger experiment**  
 $^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$



4839	0.82 ps
4254	147 ps
4790	8.1 ps
4379	40.1 fs



5241	4.3 ps
5089	4.8 ps
4892	1.2 ps
4754	5.0 ps
4186	54.1 ps
3976	21.7 fs
2553	0.17 ps



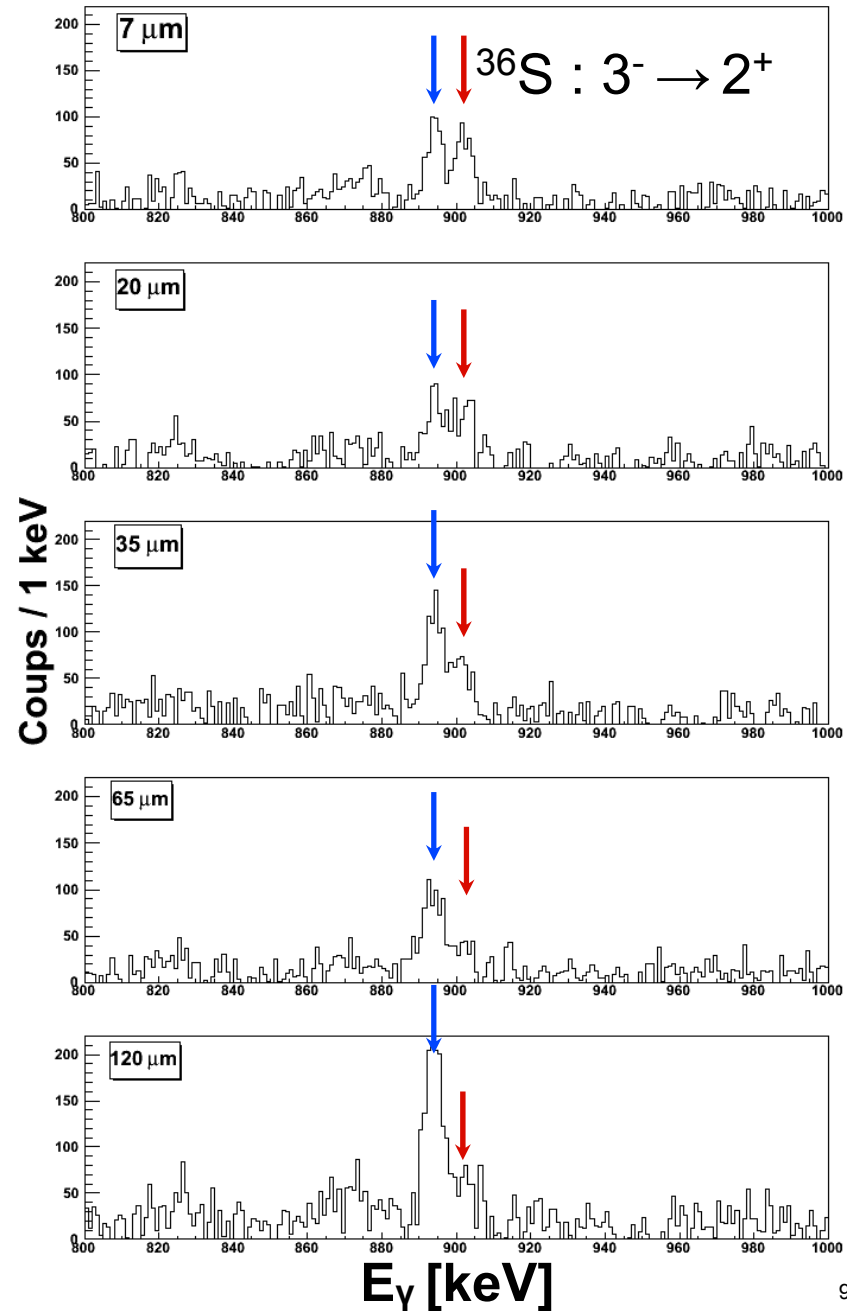
5379	34.1 ps
5153	1.3 ps
4293	0.25 ps
3335	76.7 fs



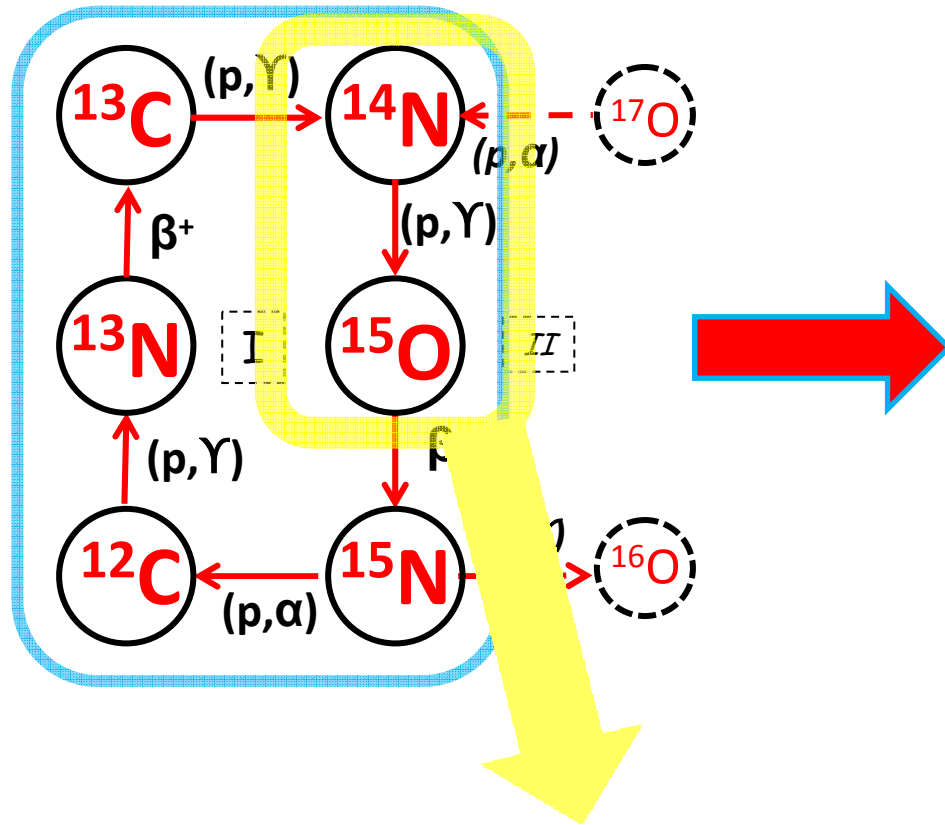
# Preliminary $\gamma$ spectra

**$^{36}\text{S}$**

$3^- \rightarrow 2^+$  902 keV transition  
Predicted lifetime: 0.25 ps

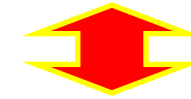


# Stellar burning rates and $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ reaction



$^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$  is the "bottle neck" determining the overall rate

Precise knowledge of nuclear x-sections



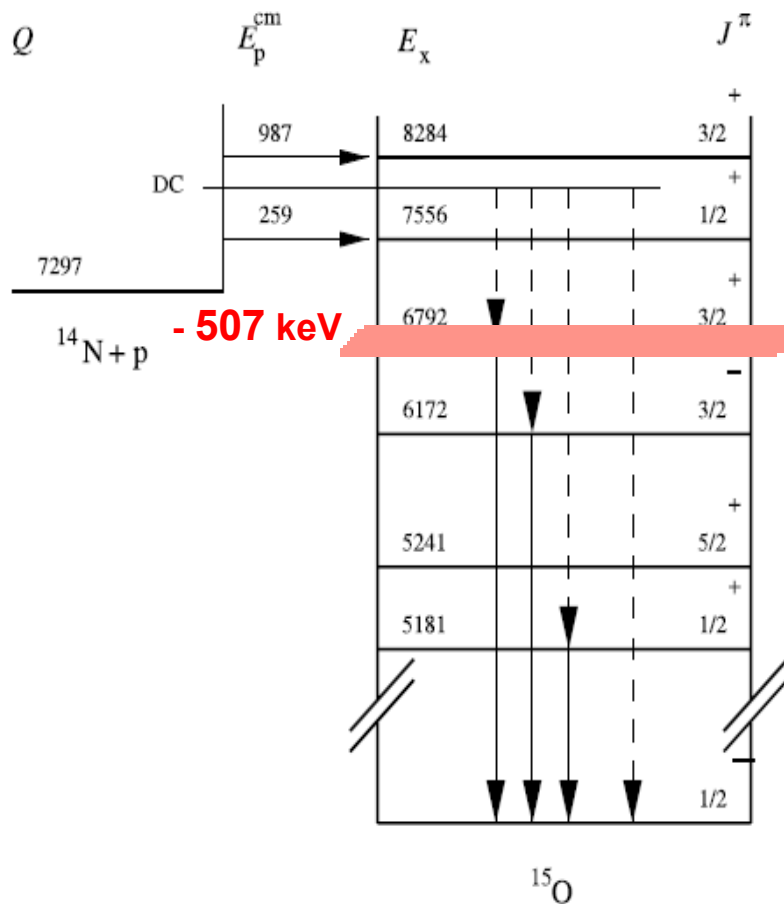
C,N abundances in the solar core can be obtained by measuring the neutrino fluxes  
[W.C.Haxton et al.,  
As.J.687(2008)678]



possible solution for the "solar composition problem"  
[A.M.Serenelli et al.,  
As.J.Lett. 705, L123-L127 (2009)]

# $^{14}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ reaction cross section

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Captures to different excited states in  $^{15}\text{O}$  contribute to the x-section.

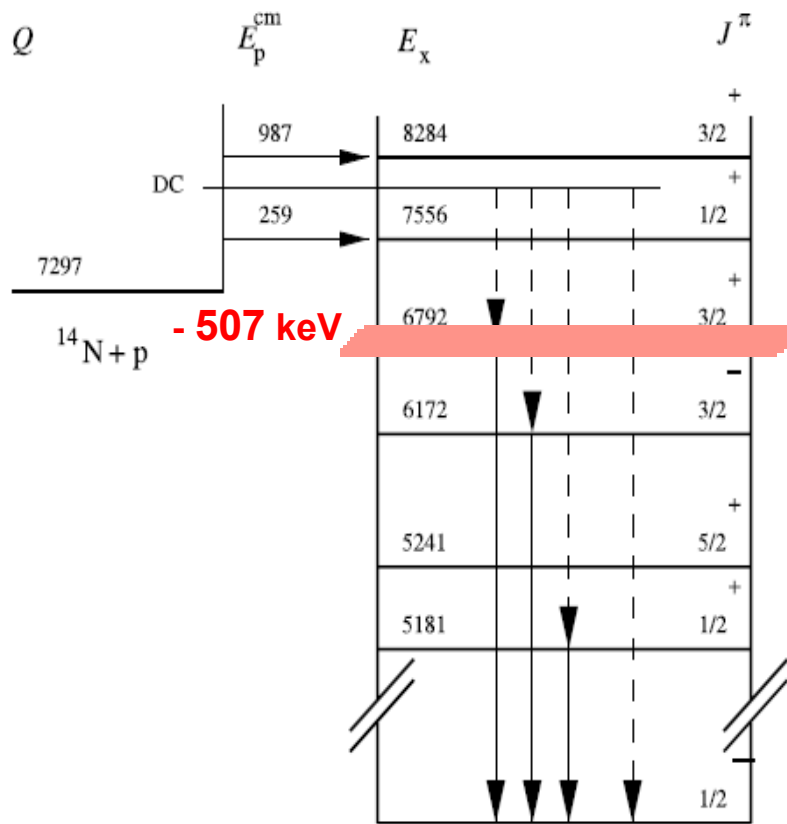
The one to the gs in  $^{15}\text{O}$  is dominated by the tail of the sub-threshold resonance at -507 keV

**(6.79 MeV state in  $^{15}\text{O}$ )**

[C. Angulo et al., NP A690 (2001) 755,  
M. Marta et al., PR C78 (2008) 022802(R), ....]

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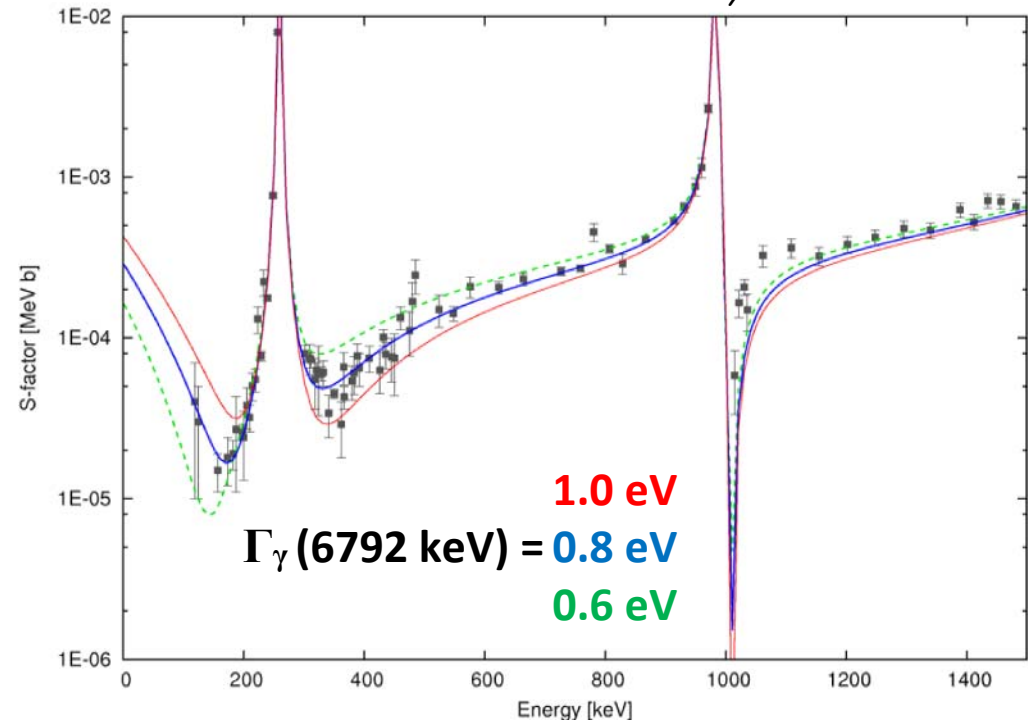


Adopted  $\Gamma_\gamma(6792 \text{ keV}) = 0.9 \pm 0.2 \text{ eV}$

$S_{gs}(0) = 0.20 \pm 0.05 \text{ keV}\cdot\text{b}$

M. Marta et al., Phys. Rev. C 78, 022802(R) (2008)

H.P. Trautvetter et al., JPG 35 (2008) 014019  
and courtesy of M. Marta



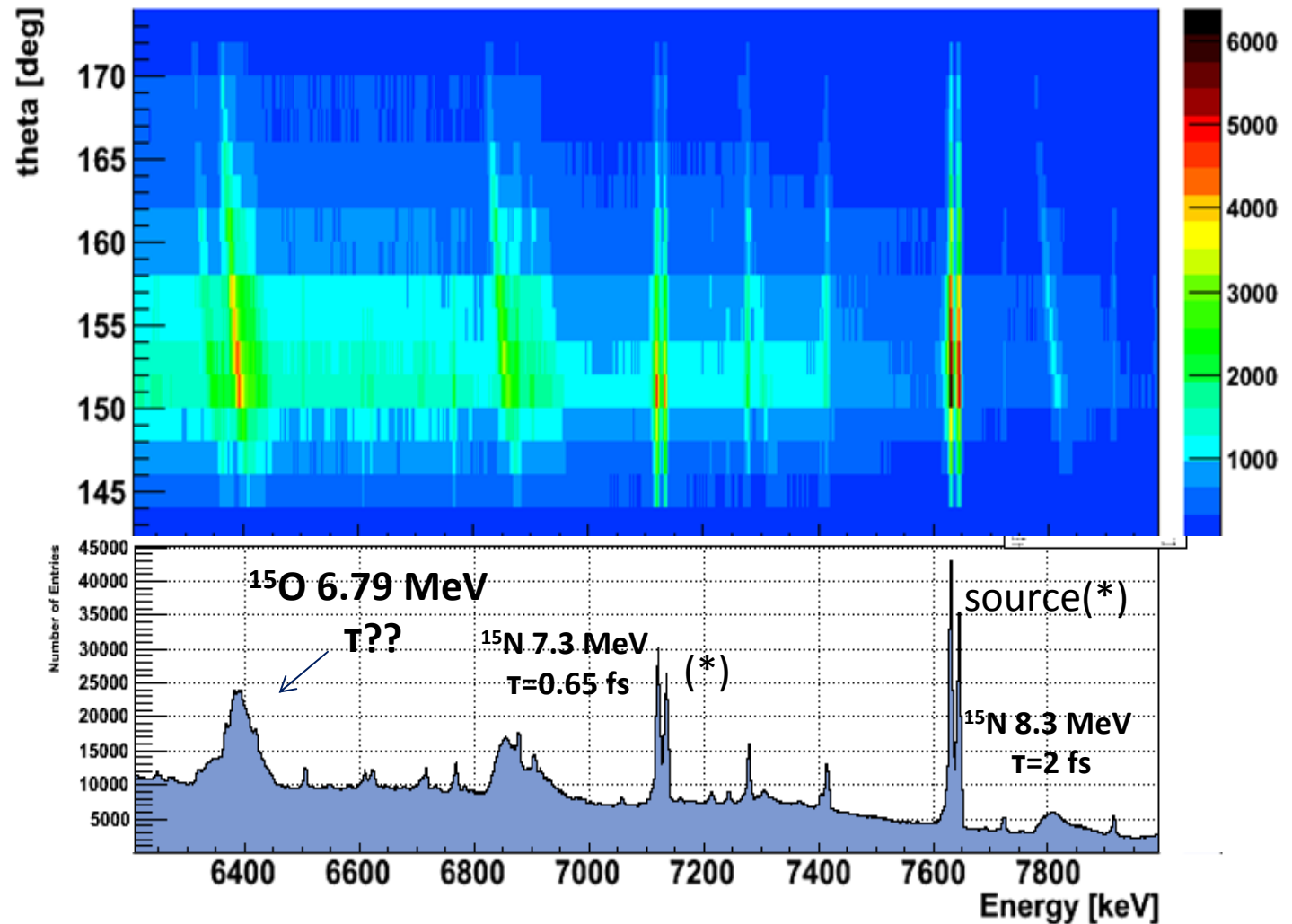
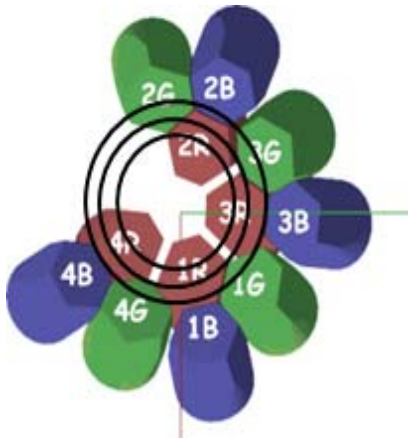
change of  $\approx 20\%$  in  $\Gamma = \hbar/\tau \rightarrow$   
change of  $\approx 30\%$  in  $S_{gs}(0)$



# Lifetime measurement of the 6.79 MeV state in $^{15}\text{O}$

$^{14}\text{N}(^2\text{H},n)^{15}\text{O}$  and  $^{14}\text{N}(^2\text{H},p)^{15}\text{N}$  reactions @ 32 MeV (XTU LNL Tandem)

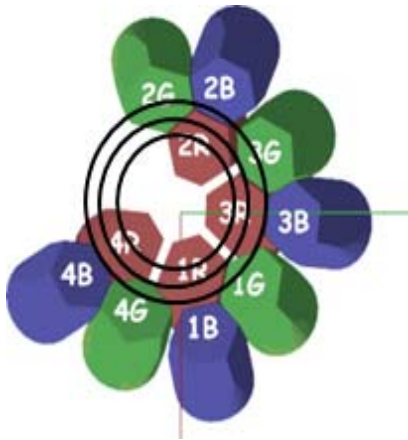
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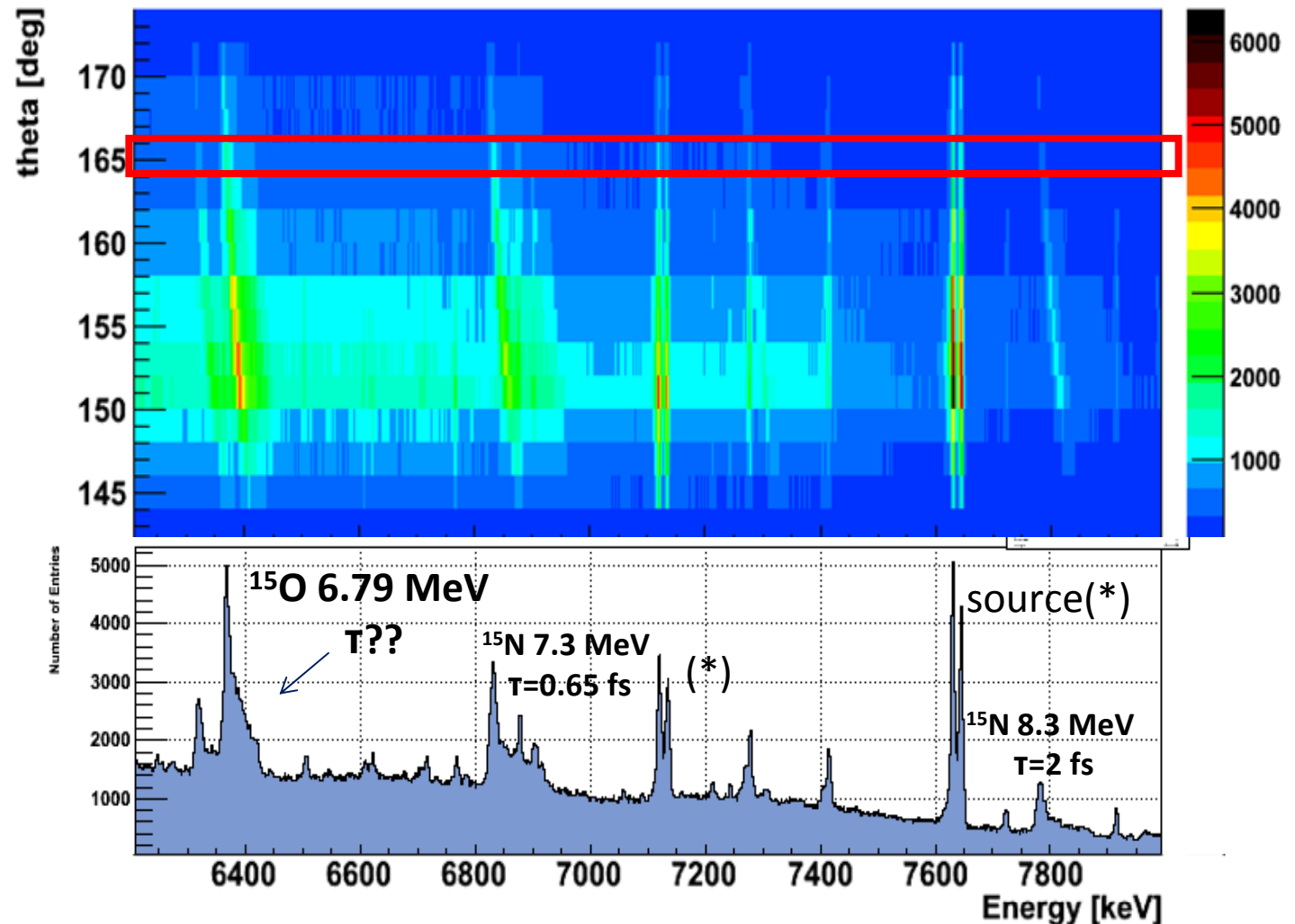
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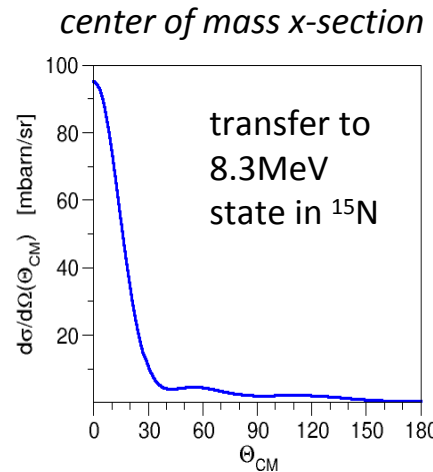
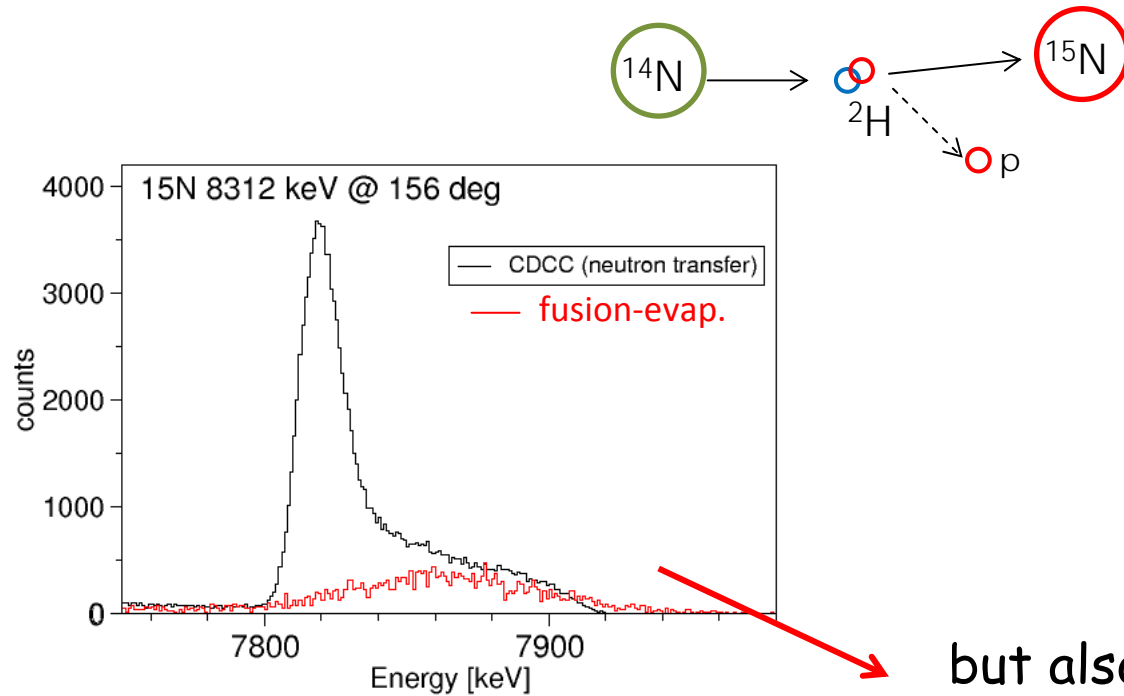


Detected gamma-rays can be sorted in few degrees  $\theta$  "slices" with a continuous distribution



# Reaction kinematics

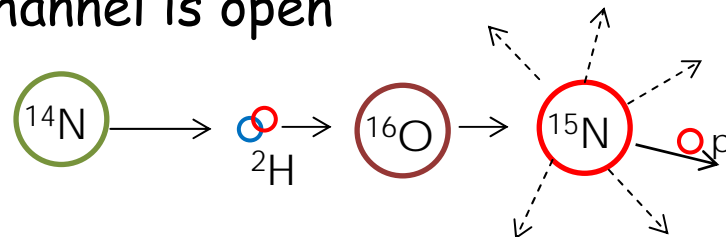
Due to the short lifetimes, the lineshapes strongly reflect the reaction kinematics. Both  $^{15}\text{O}$  and  $^{15}\text{N}$  excited levels are mainly populated *via* nucleon (proton and neutron, respectively) transfer reactions



CDCC\*\* calculations of the nucleon transfer process by N. Keeley

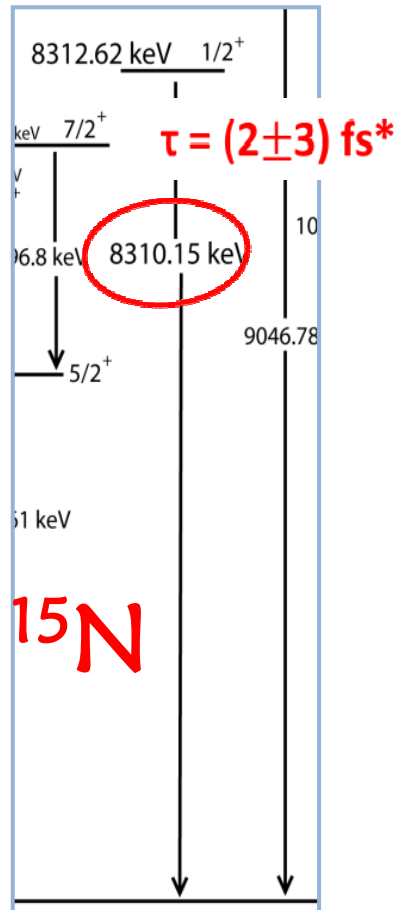
\*\*Continuum-Discretized Coupled Channels

but also the fusion-evaporation channel is open



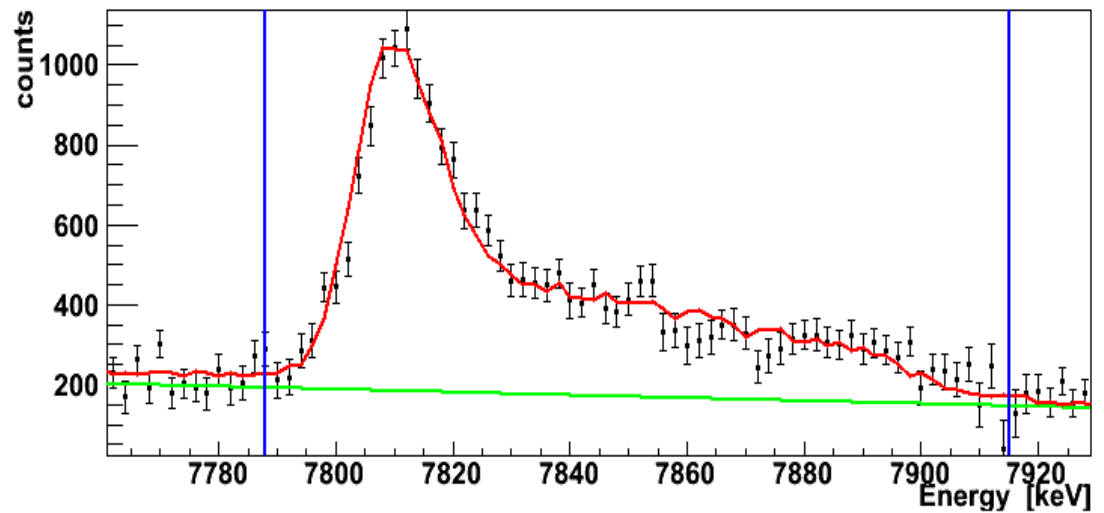
**?** ratio between the two different mechanism and (energy) spectrum of the evaporated particle  
not much help in the literature....

# The 8.31 MeV level in $^{15}\text{N}$

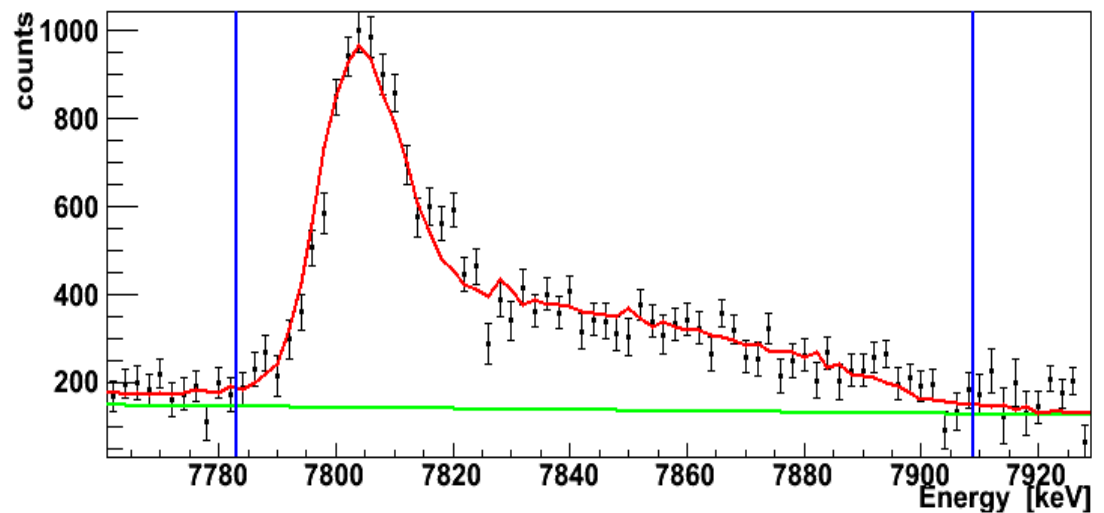


(\*from  $\Gamma = (0.3 \pm 0.2) \text{ eV}$   
 [R. Moreh et al., PRC 23 (1981) 988])

angle=158 deg, red\_chi=0.031 (128 points)



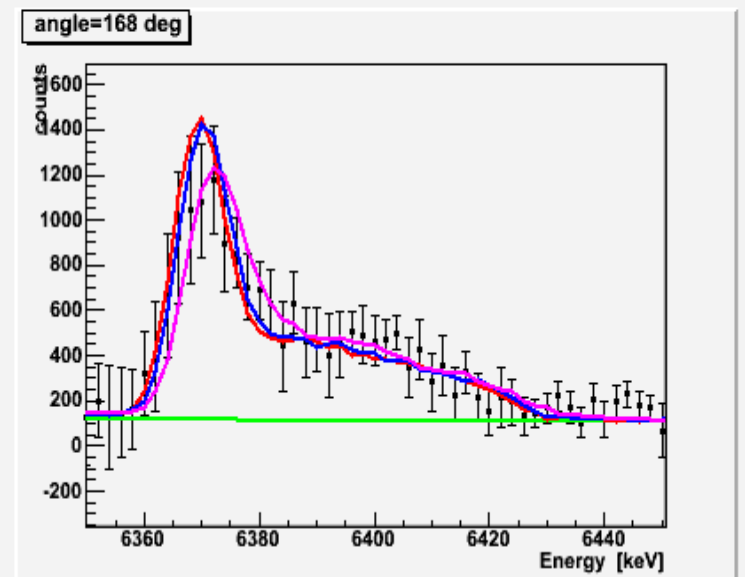
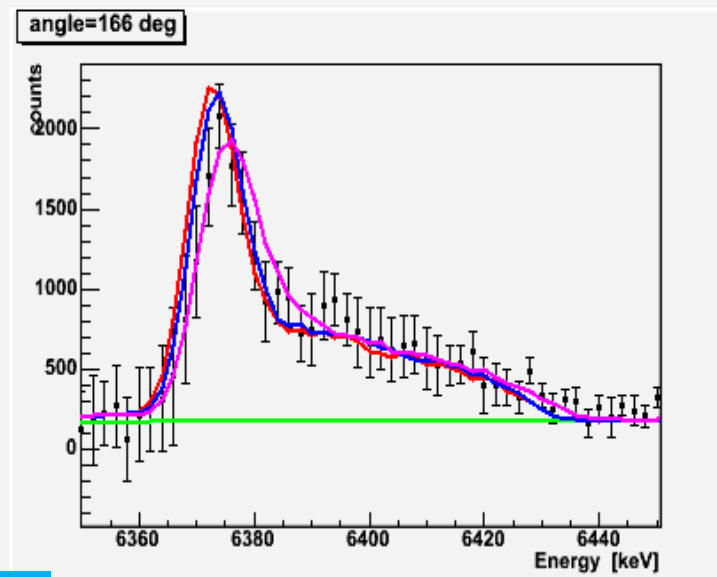
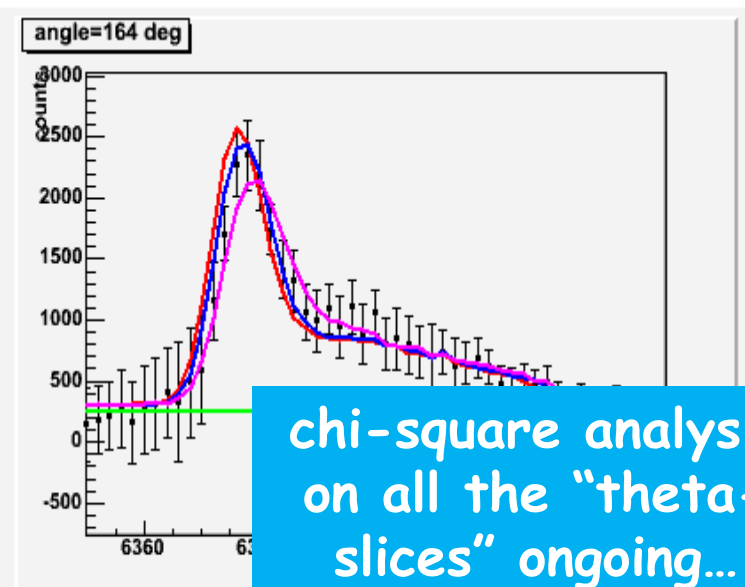
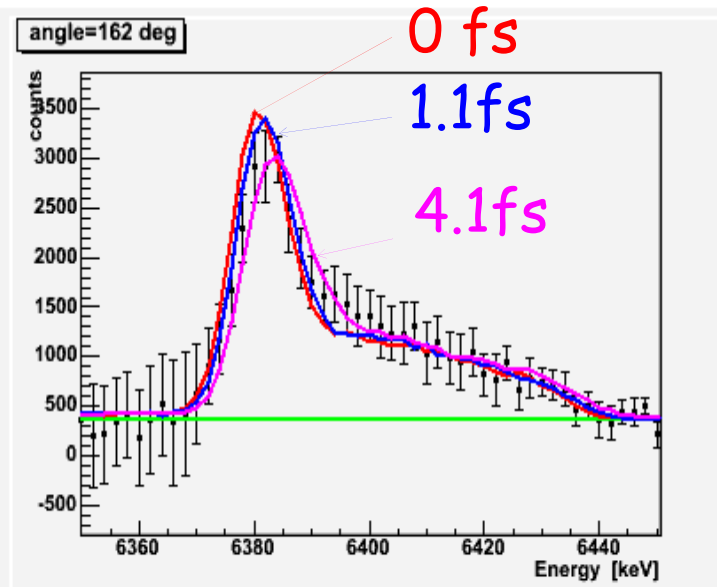
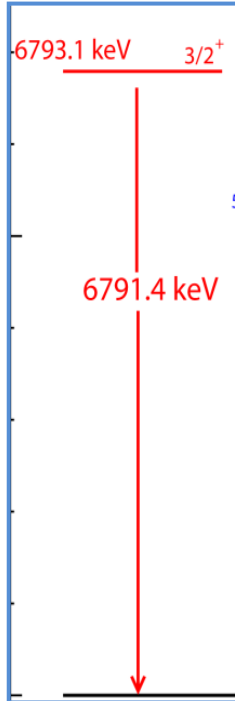
angle=160 deg, red\_chi=0.068 (127 points)





# The 6.79MeV level in $^{15}\text{O}$

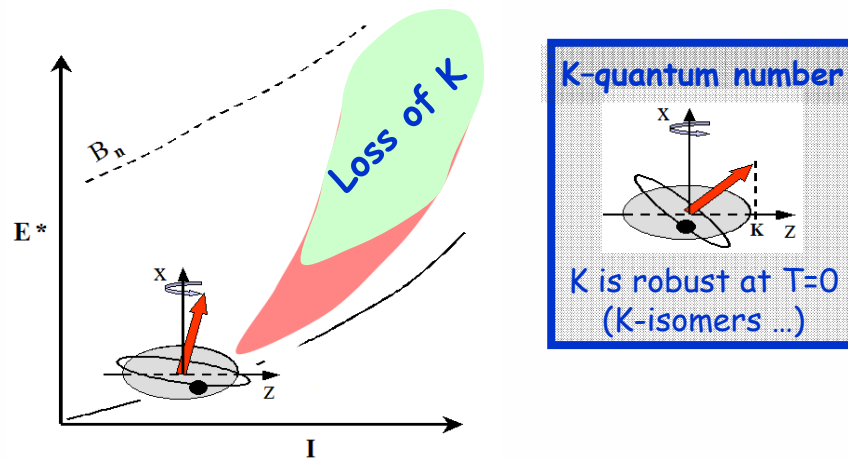
$^{15}\text{O}$



# Order-to-chaos in $^{174}\text{W}$

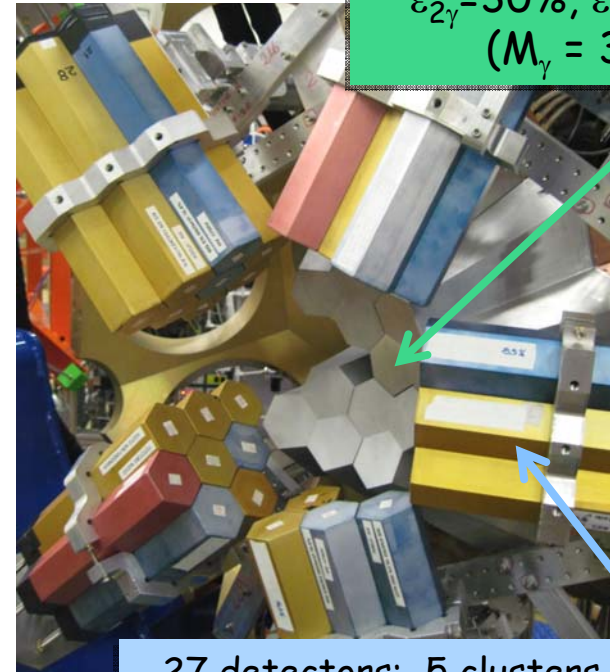
High-Spin Fusion Evaporation  
 $^{50}\text{Ti}$  on  $^{128}\text{Te}$  @ 217 MeV,  $I \geq 60\hbar$

Loss of selection rules on  $K$  with temperature



Goal: populate  $^{174}\text{W}$  at the **highest possible spins** ( $\geq 60\hbar$ ), in order to make the **statistical fluctuation analysis of the ridge-valley structures in the  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  matrices**, to estimate the number of low- $K$  and high- $K$  bands and their correlation

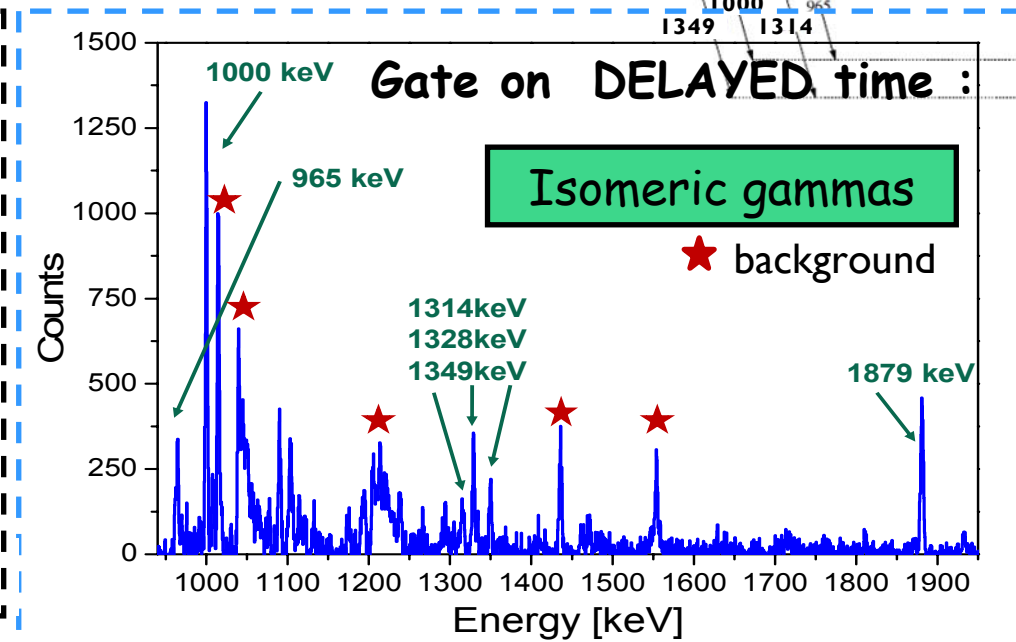
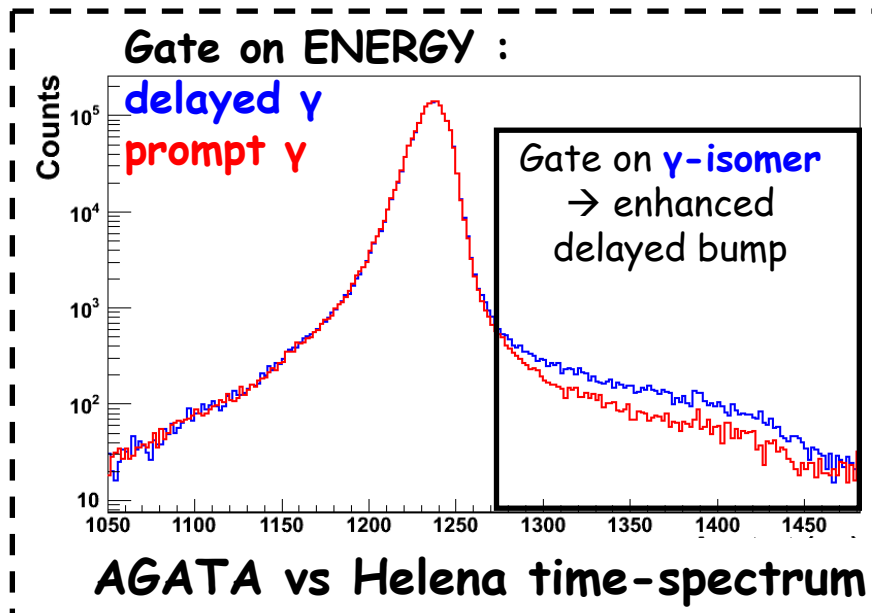
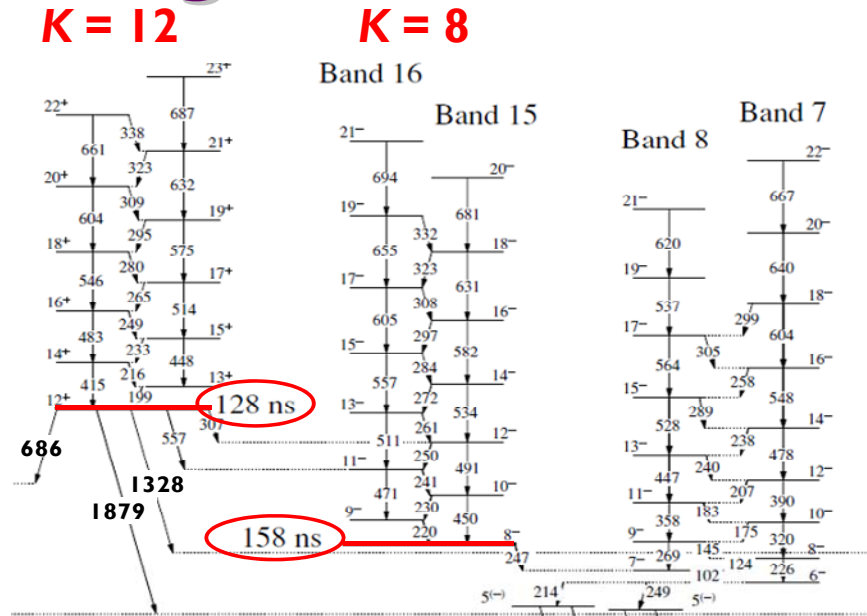
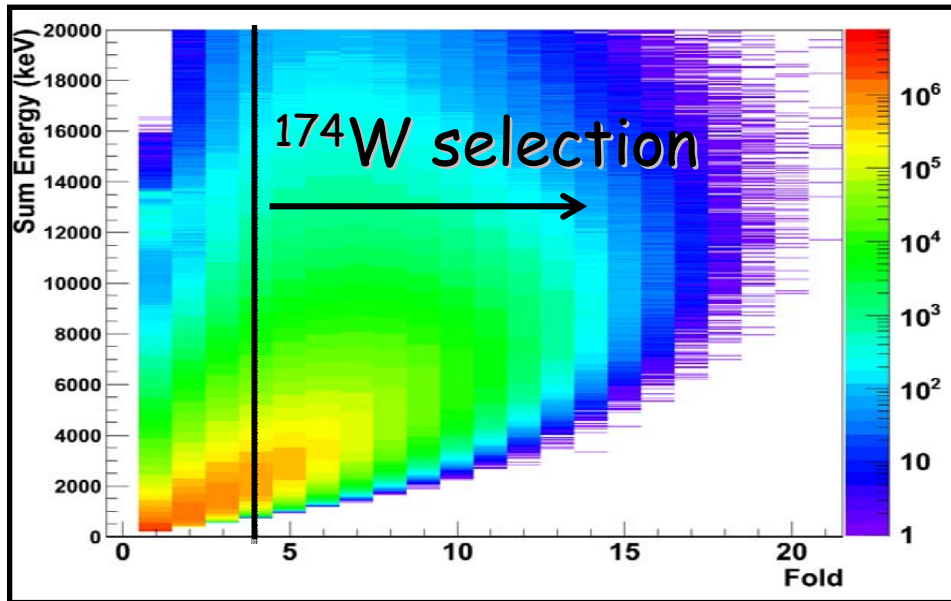
4 Triple Clusters  
 2 and 3 folds:  
 $\epsilon_{2\gamma} = 30\%$ ,  $\epsilon_{3\gamma} = 10\%$   
 $(M_\gamma = 30)$



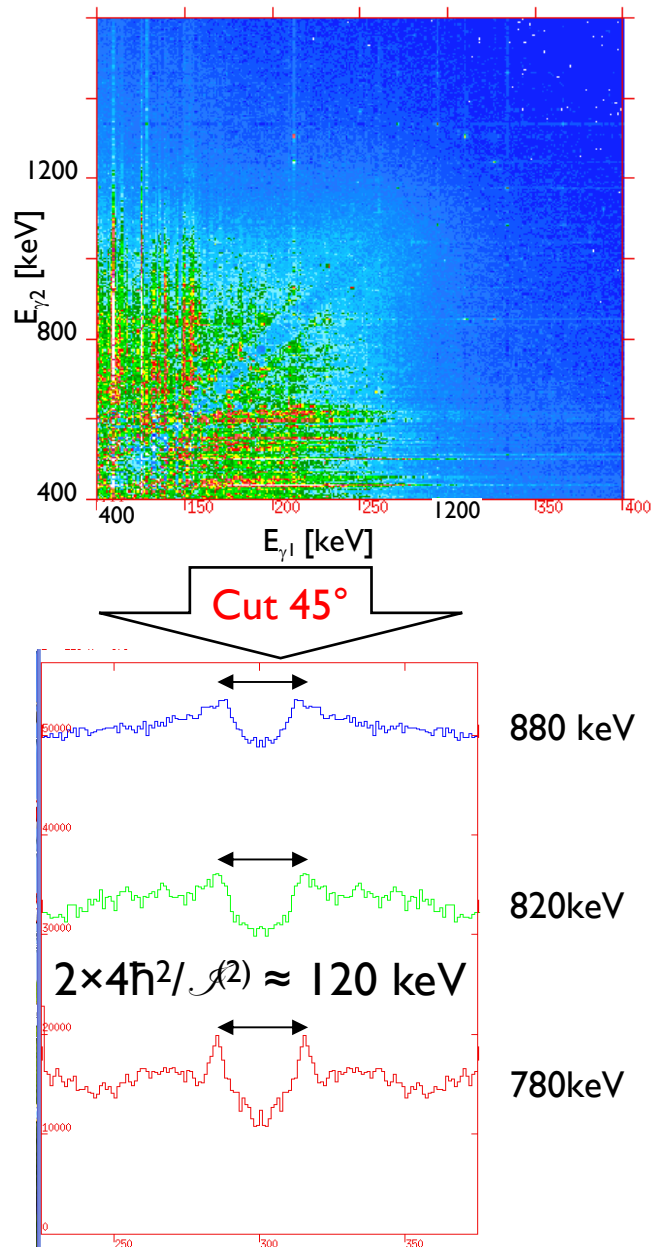
27 detectors: 5 clusters of  $\text{BaF}_2$   
 (3"×3", exagonal)  
 Total solid angle: 25% of  $4\pi$   
 Total efficiency: 16% @ 500keV

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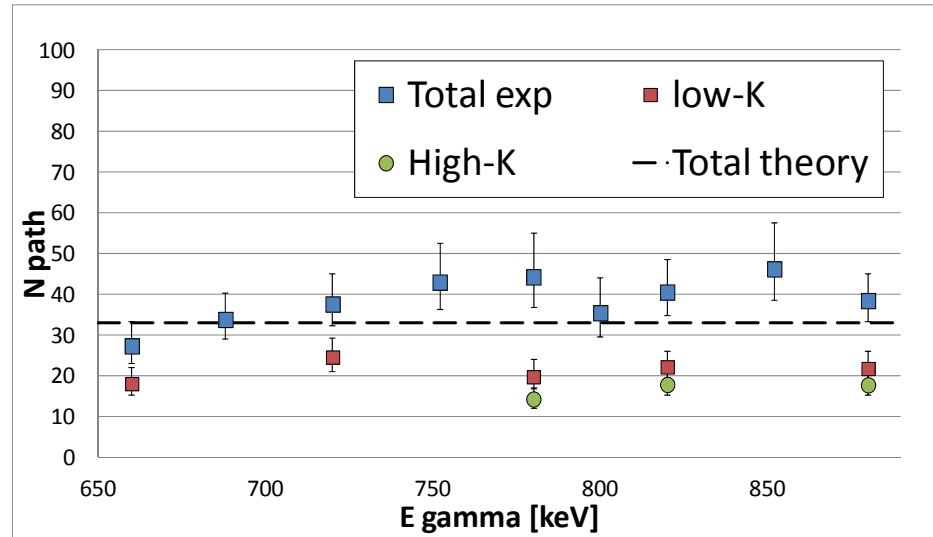
# Helena: selection of high-K bands



# Quasi-Continuum $\gamma$ - $\gamma$ matrices

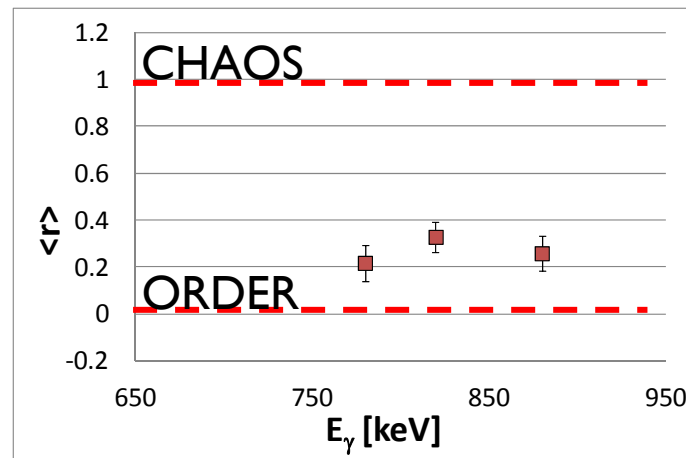


## Statistical fluctuation analysis of ridges: Number of bands below 1 MeV



## Covariance analysis of ridges

**Covariance** = similarity of different cascades & test of the selection rules

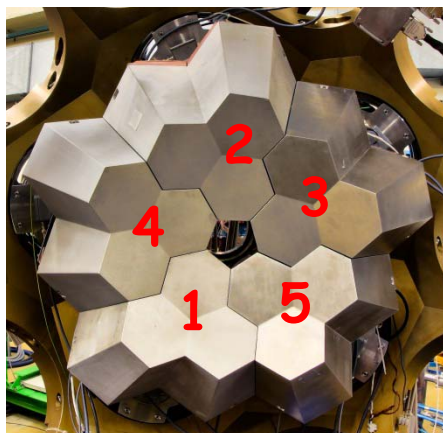


K quantum number is conserved up to 1 MeV



# AGATA Demonstrator/1 $\pi$ Experimental Program

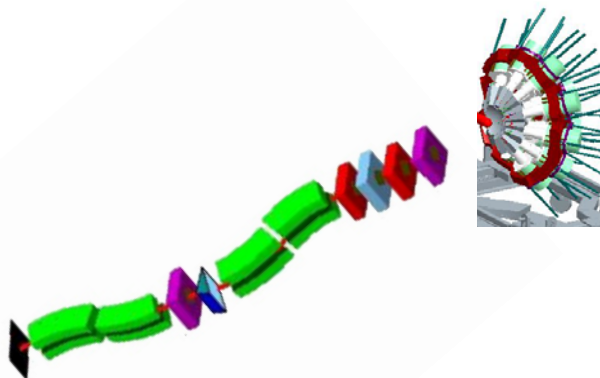
2010-2011 → LNL  
5TC



**AGATA D.+PRISMA**

Total Eff. ~6%

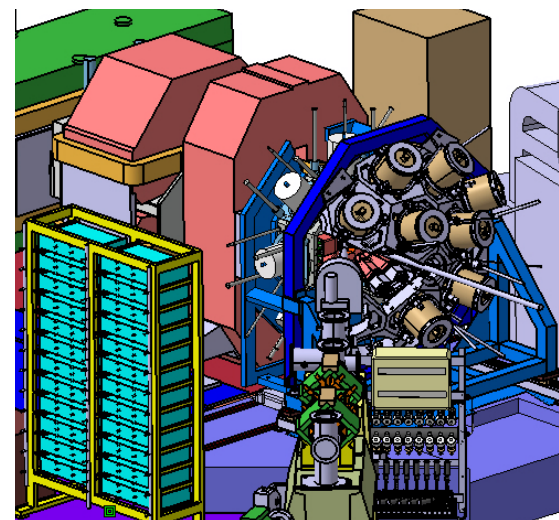
2012 → GSI/FRS  
≥5DC+5TC



**AGATA @ FRS**

Total Eff. > 10%

2014 → GANIL/SPIRAL2  
~15TC

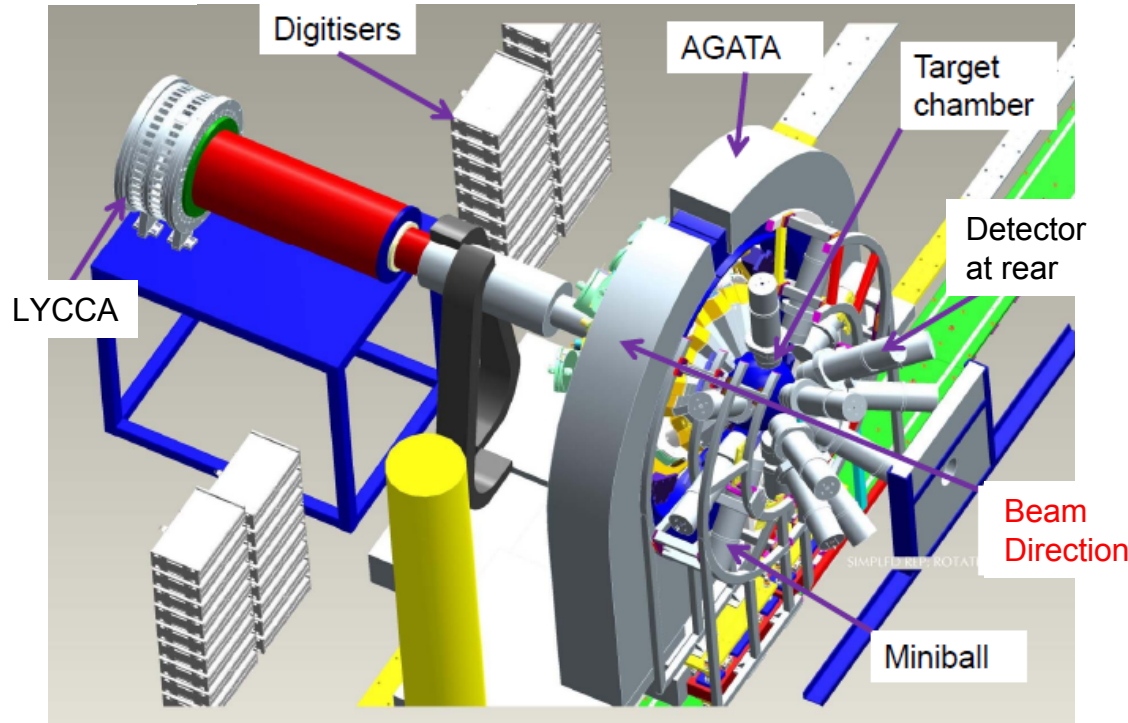


**AGATA + VAMOS  
+ EXOGAM**

Total Eff. > 20%



# AGATA at PreSPEC

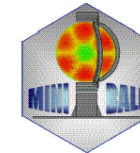


$\gamma$ -efficiency = 17.5%  
 $\gamma\gamma$ -efficiency = 2.5%

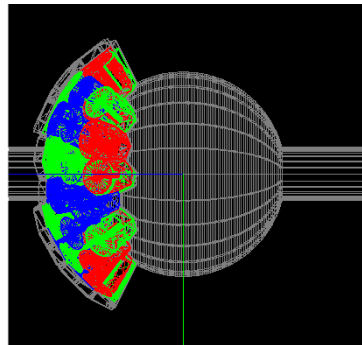
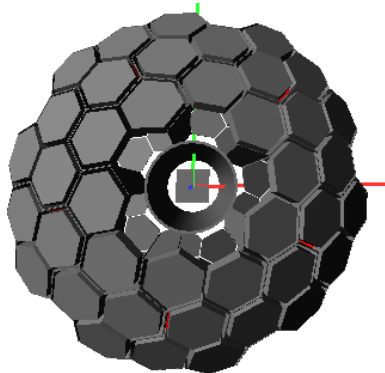
resolution (FWHM)	intrinsic spatial resolution
8.5 keV	5 mm
4 keV	2 mm

**Aim for AGATA@GSI:**

- 5 double Cluster
- 10 triple Cluster
- **AGATA + Miniball**



**start spring 2013**



beam pipe diameter = 12cm  
 chamber diameter = 46 cm



# Outlook



- Following the commissioning campaign, the physics campaign has started in February 2010
- Performance of the array is satisfactory, in close coupling with several ancillary devices
- Analysis of the experiments performed so far is ongoing, more results soon
- Good luck to the GSI colleagues with the upcoming AGATA@PreSPEC campaign!