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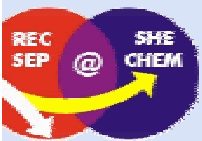
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Chemical Identification of Hassium (Hs, $Z=108$) and Prospects for Future Studies

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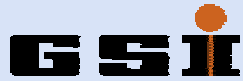


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Chemistry:

Classification of Hs in the PTE

Volatility of HsO_4

Physics:

Confirmation of E112-discovery

Evidence for ^{270}Hs

Future?

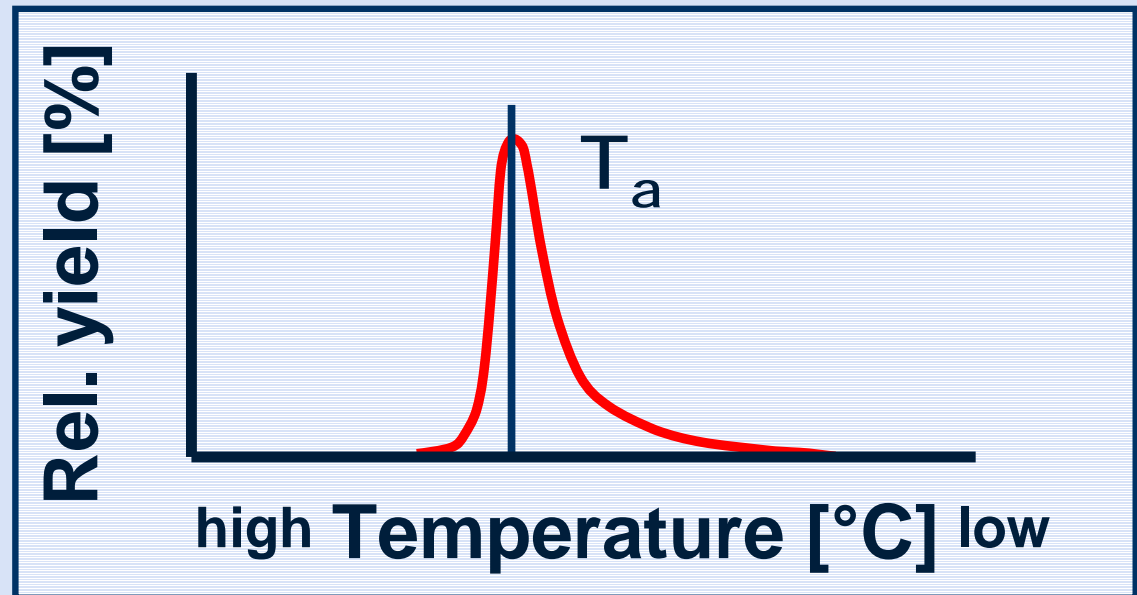
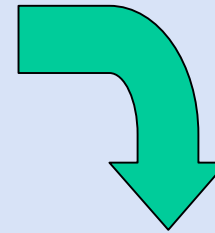
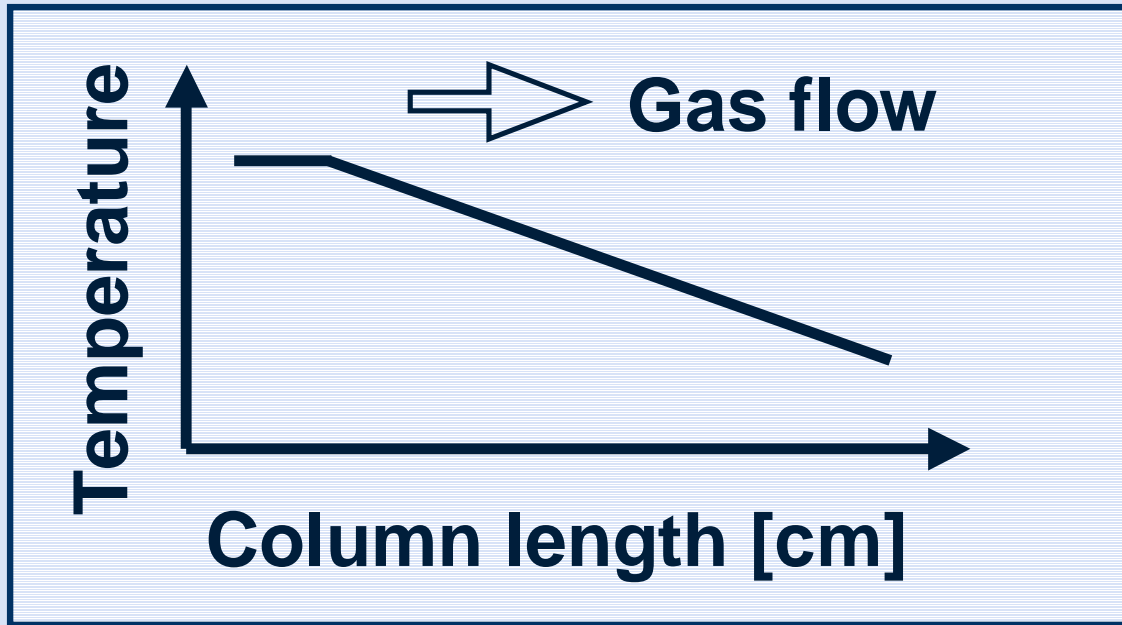
Organometallic Hs Compounds?

The Periodic Table of the Elements

1																	18
1 H	2											13	14	15	16	17	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba	57+*	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	89+''	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs				112 Uub			114 Uuq			116 Uuh
							109 Mt	110 Uun	111 Uuu								

*	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu
''	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr

Thermochromatography

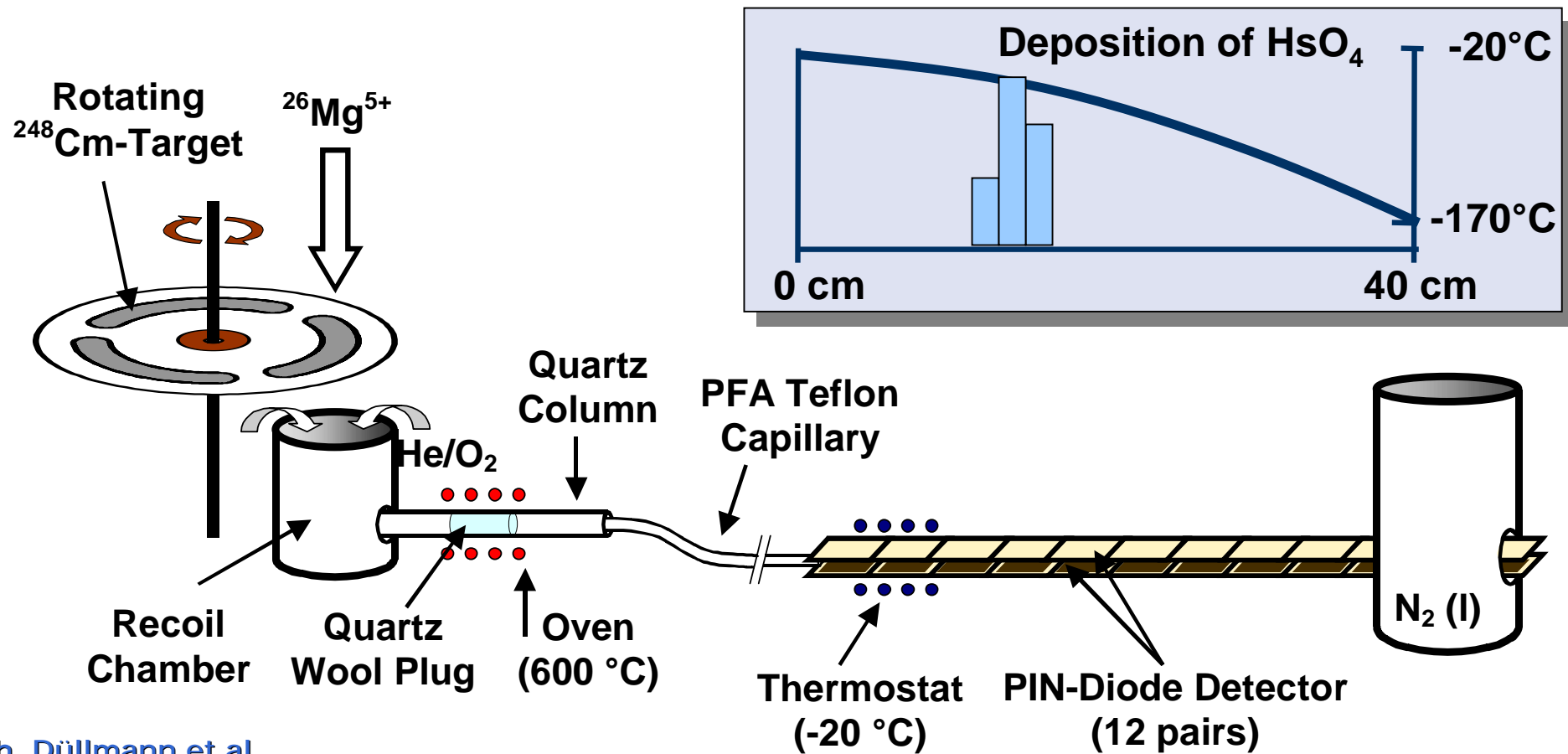




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IVO + COLD:

In situ Volatilization and On-line detection apparatus Cryo-On-Line Detector



Ch. Düllmann et al.
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Cut out of the chart of nuclides



α

SF

EC

Hs 108	Hs 263 ? ? α	Hs 264 0,45 ms α 10,43; sf (50%)	Hs 265 870 μ s 1,8 ms α 10,51-10,57 α 10,37	Hs 266 2,3 ms α 10,18	Hs 267 59 ms α 9,88; 9,83; 9,75	Hs 269 11,3 s α 9,14-9,23
Bh 107	Bh 262 4,7 ms 114 ms α 10,38 α 9,70		Bh 264 440 ms α 9,48; 9,62		Bh 266 ~1 s α 9,29	Bh 267 15.2 s α 8,83
Sg 106	Sg 261 111 ms α 9,56; 9,52; 9,47	Sg 262 6,9 ms sf	Sg 263 0,3 s 0,9 s α 9,25 α 9,06; 9,25; sf		Sg 265 7,4 s α 8,69-8,94; sf \leq 35%	Sg 266 17,8 s α 8,72; 8,59; sf \leq 82%
Db 105	Db 260 1,5 s α 9,04; 9,12; ϵ /sf?	Db 261 1,8 s α 8,93; sf	Db 262 34 s α 8,45; 8,53; 8,67; ϵ /sf(33%)	Db 263 27 s α 8,36; sf (57 \pm 14%)		
Rf 104	Rf 259 3 s α 8,77; 8,87; sf \leq 7%	Rf 260 21 ms sf; α \leq 20%	Rf 261 78 s α 8,28; sf $<$ 10%	Rf 262 47 ms? 2,1 s sf? sf; α \leq 3%		

N=162

Experiment Facts

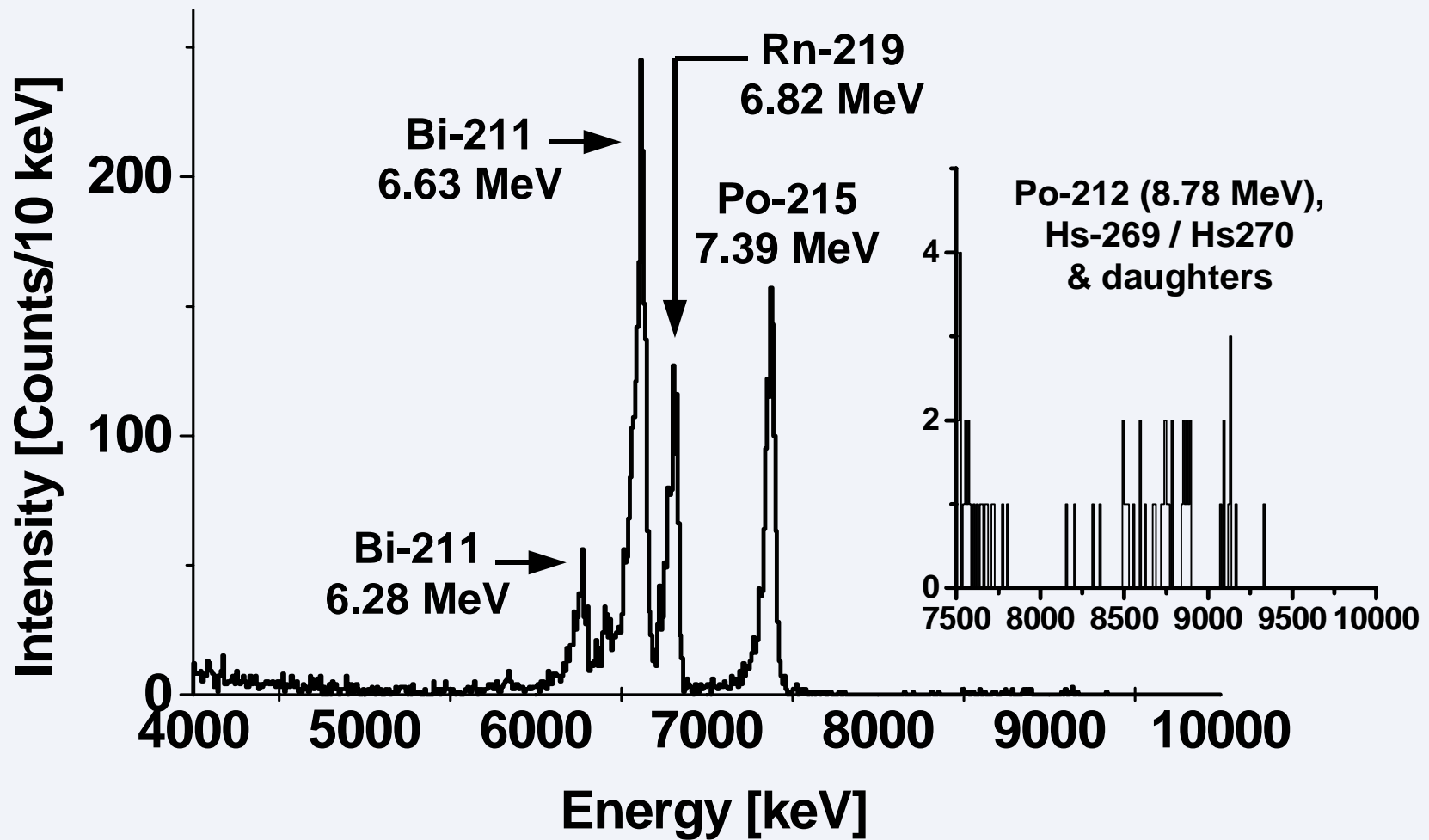
OsO ₄ : Formation and transport out of the chamber	60-90%
Transport time to the detection system	~2-3 sec
Geometrical efficiency for detection of an α :	77%
Prob. to detect at least 3 α 's of a 4 α decay chain:	66.6%

Overall Efficiency:	30-50%
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Average beam intensity:	700 p.nA
Target thickness:	550 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
Expected production cross section (HI VAP):	5-10 pb

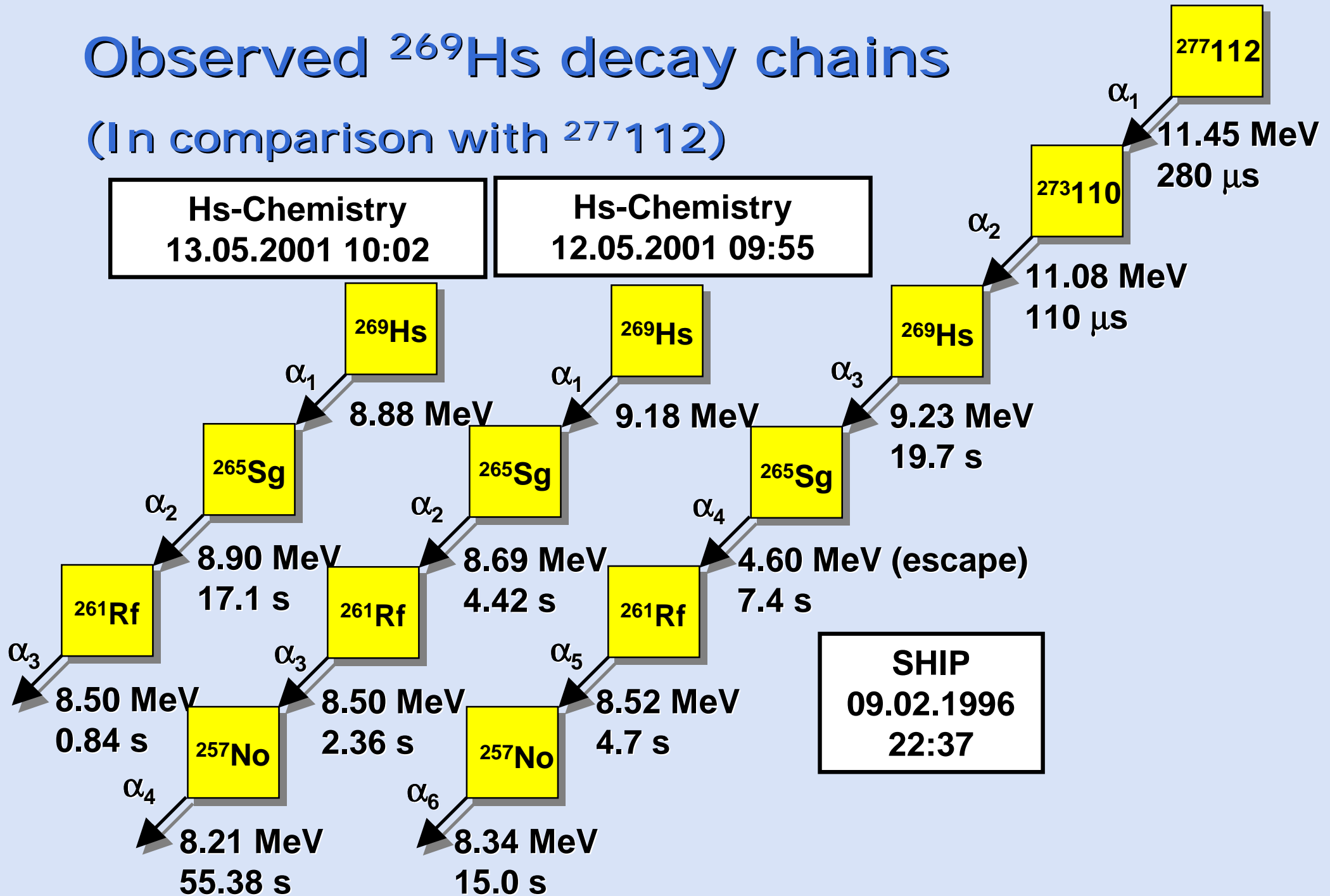
Expectation:	1-2 α-α-α correlations/day
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Cumulative α -Spectrum of Dets. +3 and -3 of the Hs Experiment (Dose: $1.0 \cdot 10^{18}$ ^{26}Mg -particles)



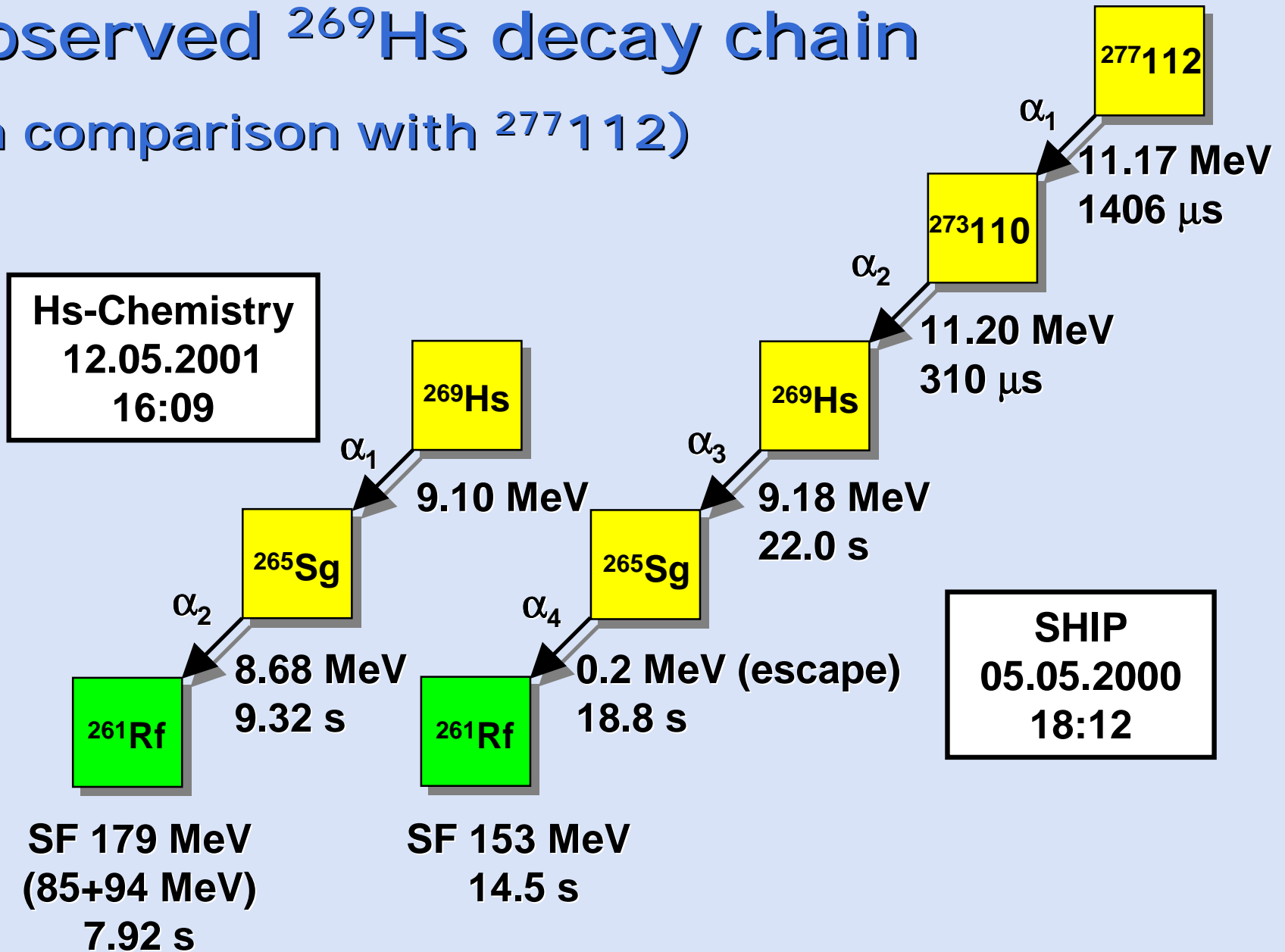
Observed ^{269}Hs decay chains

(In comparison with $^{277}\text{112}$)



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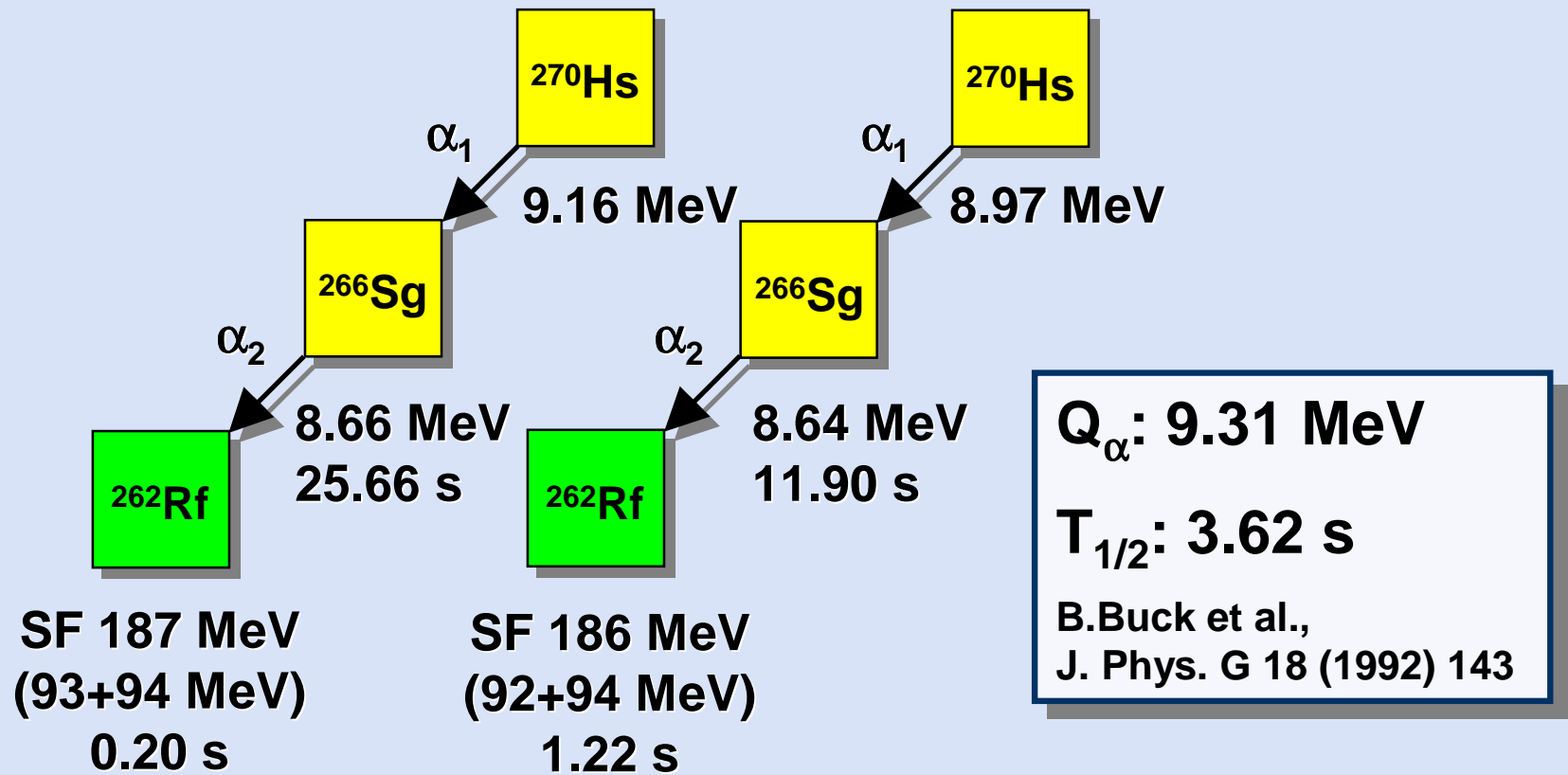


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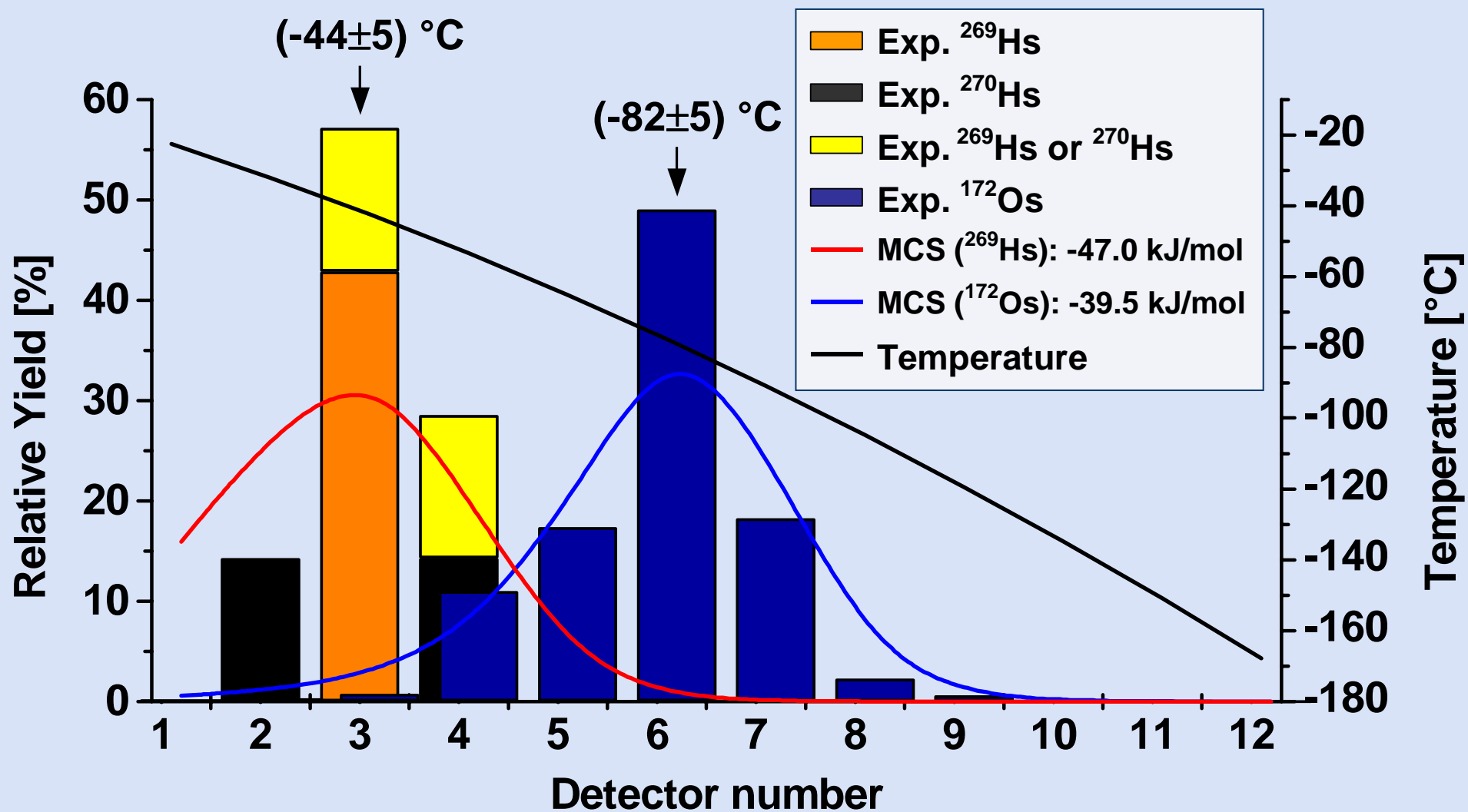
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Evidence for the new isotope ^{270}Hs

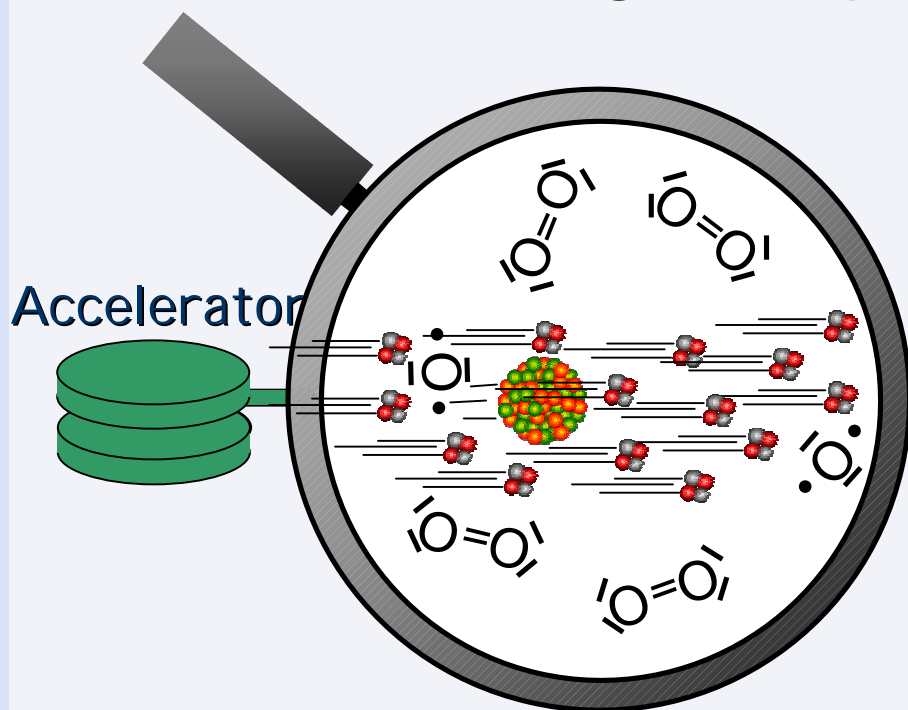


Thermochromatogram of HsO₄ and OsO₄

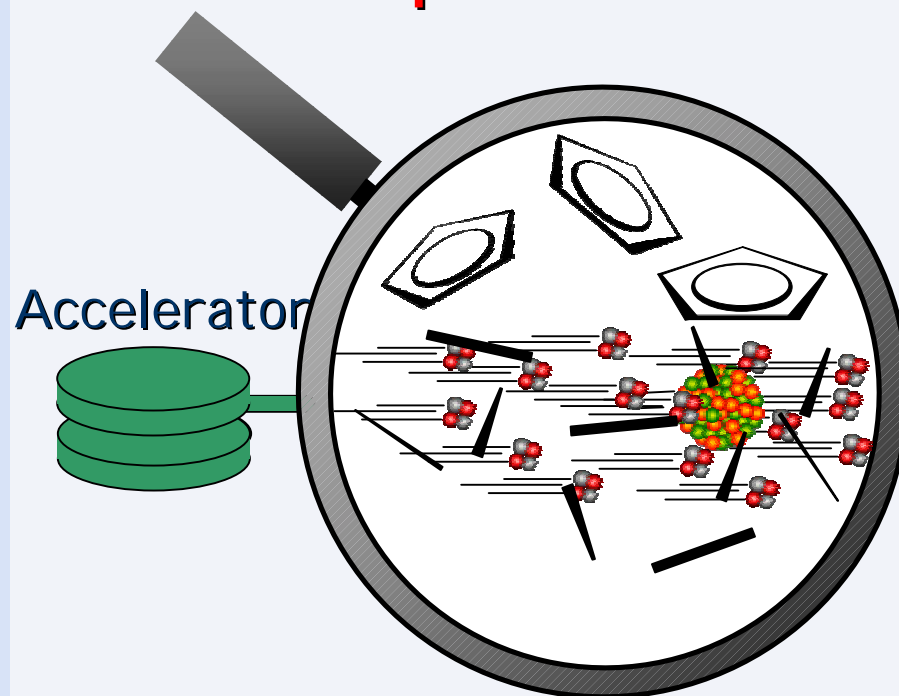


Gas Phase Chemistry: Present

Simple inorganic compounds: e.g. H_2SO_4

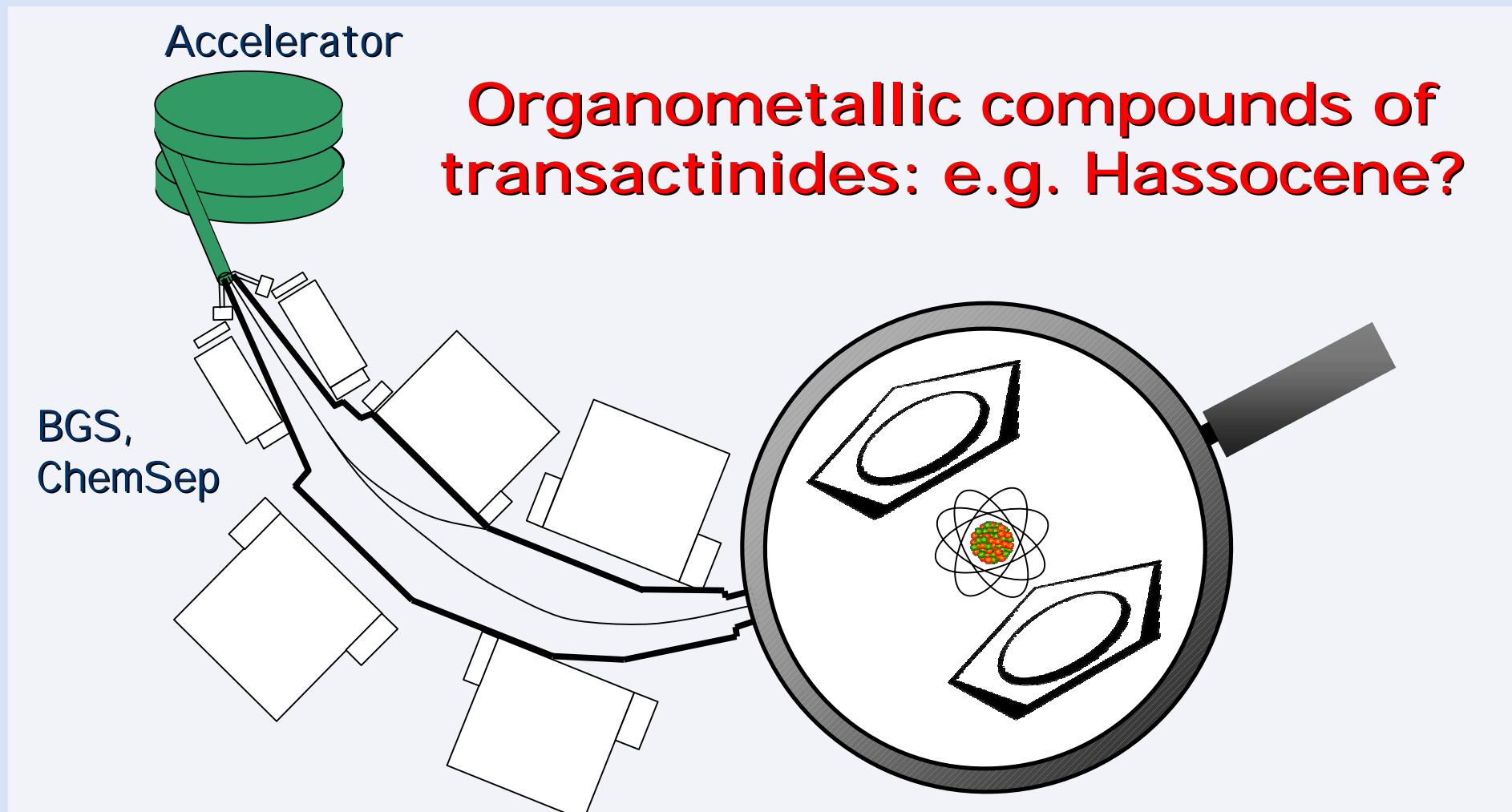


Organometallic compounds



Behind the target: Plasma (caused by the intense beam) destroys organic ligands

Gas Phase Chemistry: Future ?



No beam behind the target!! Separation @ BGS/ChemSep

Volatile Compounds in Group 8 Organometallic Chemistry

Metallocenes $M(cp)_2$

Observed in solid phase: $Fe(cp)_2 + U(n,f)Ru \rightarrow Ru(cp)_2$

(Baumgärtner et al. Z. Naturforsch. 16a (1961) 374)

$Ru(n,\gamma) + Fe(cp)_2 \rightarrow Ru(cp)_2$

(Baumgärtner et al. in: Chemical effects of nuclear transformations, IAEA Vienna 1961, p.319)

Dpm complexes (dpm=dipivaloylmethane)

Investigated with IC using carrier-free Ru from ^{252}Cf

(Ono et al. Abstract ASR2001)

Pentacarbonyles $M(CO)_5$

Well-known, stable (18 e⁻)

Summary

Present

- First chemistry experiment with Hs. Cross-section level of a few pb. Seven correlated chains observed in 64 h of beam-time.
- Decay properties of ^{269}Hs are in agreement with SHIP results, confirming the discovery of element 112 by Hofmann et al. Evidence for ^{270}Hs was obtained
- Hs forms a volatile tetroxide. It behaves similar to Os and is a member of group 8 of the periodic table. $\Delta H_a(\text{HsO}_4) = (-47 \pm 2) \text{ kJ/mol}$.

Future

- Availability of a pre-separator (BGS, ChemSep) allows in principle the in-situ synthesis of less robust compounds, e.g. organometallic ones.
- Promising systems in group 8 are the metallocenes, the pentacarbonyles and the dpm (=dipivaloylmethane) system, respectively.



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