

Development of a gas-jet transport system coupled to GARIS for heavy element chemistry

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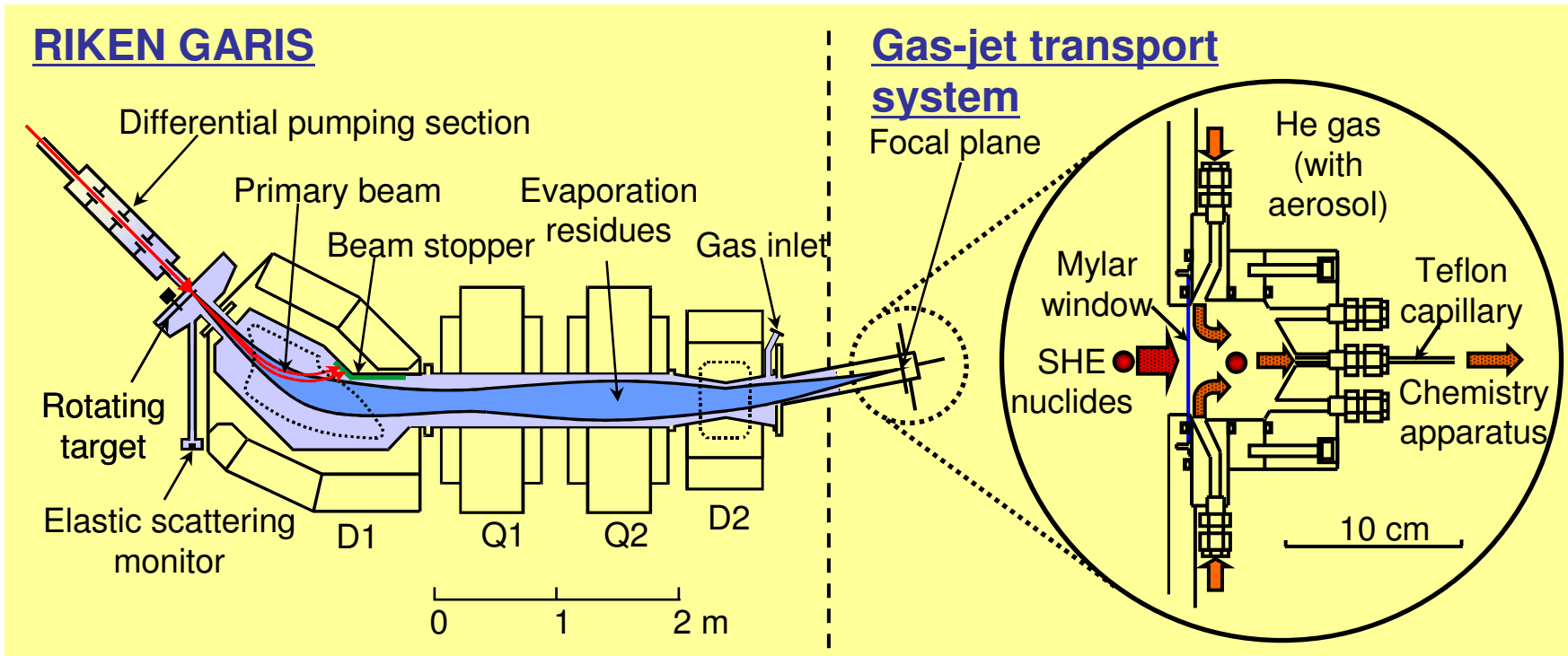
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Introduction

Development of GARIS - Gas-jet System

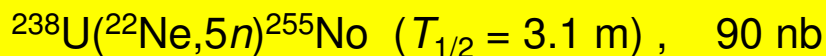
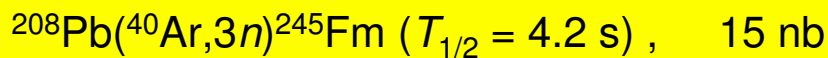
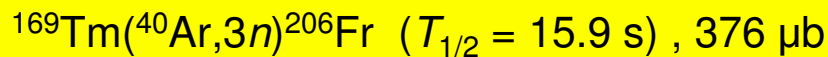
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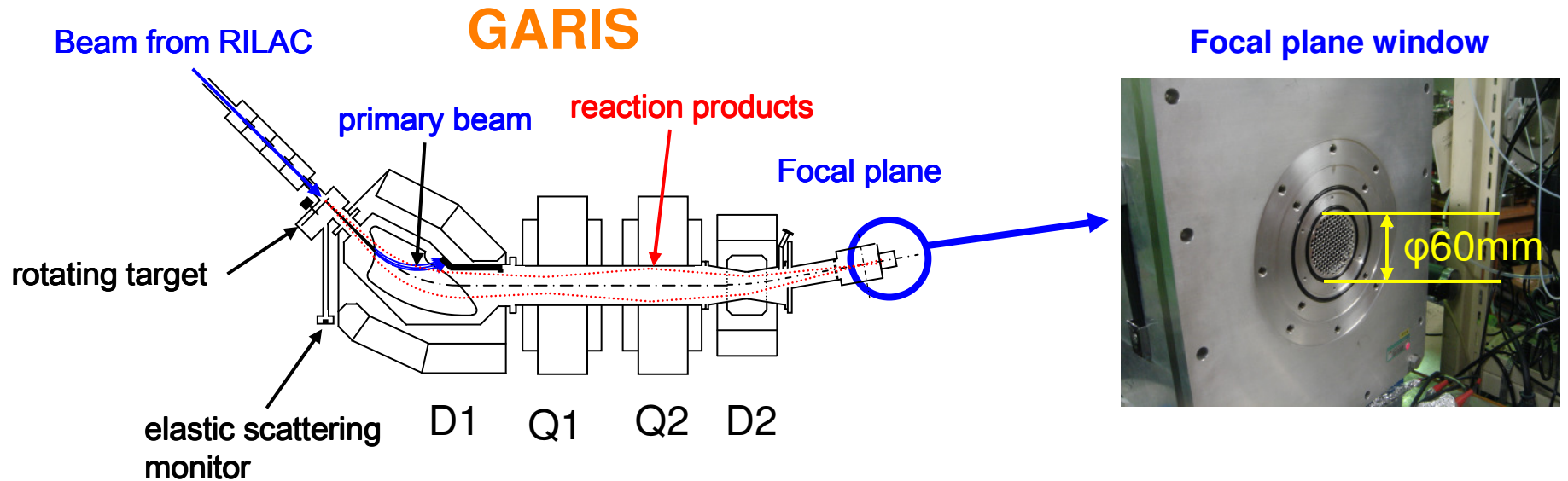
In this presentation

➔ Performance of the GARIS / Gas-jet System

Reactions



Experimental setup



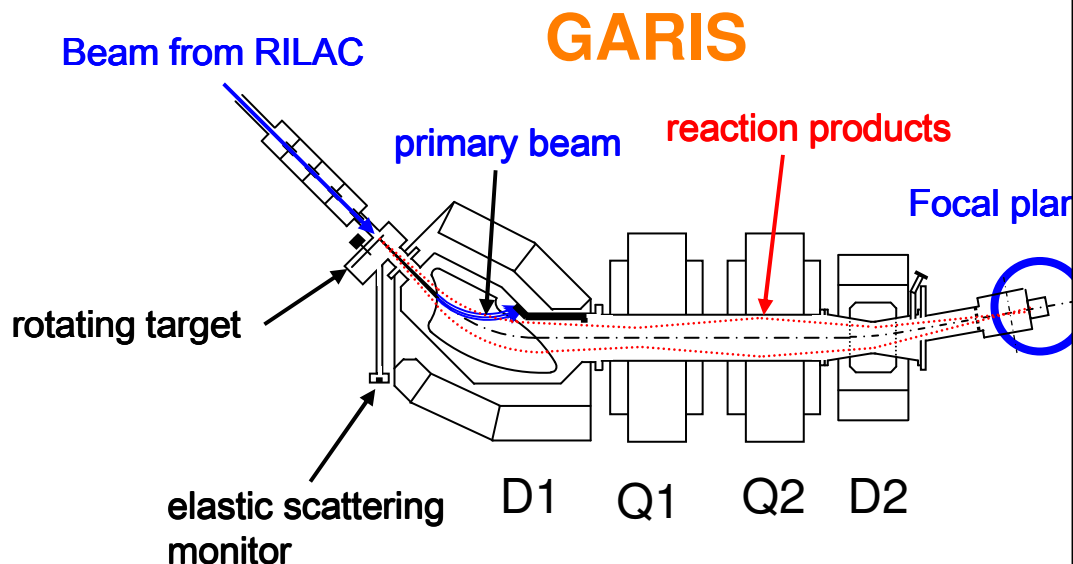
Reactions

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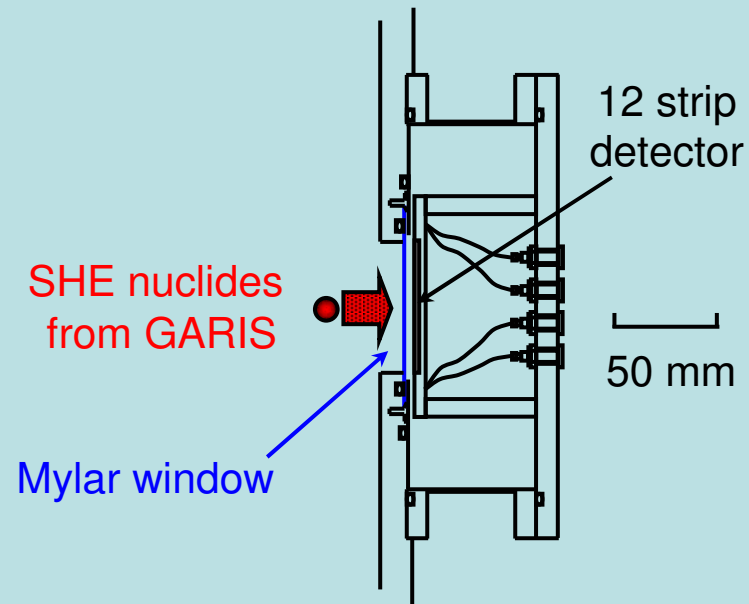
$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{40}\text{Ar}, 3n)^{245}\text{Fm}$ ($T_{1/2} = 4.2 \text{ s}$), 15 nb

$^{238}\text{U}(^{22}\text{Ne}, 5n)^{255}\text{No}$ ($T_{1/2} = 3.1 \text{ m}$), 90 nb

Experimental setup

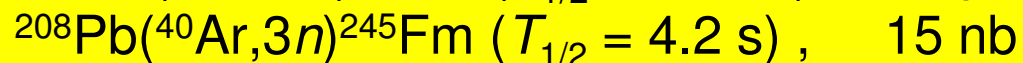
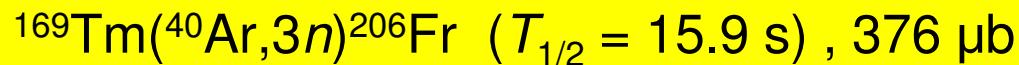


1. Focal Plane Chamber



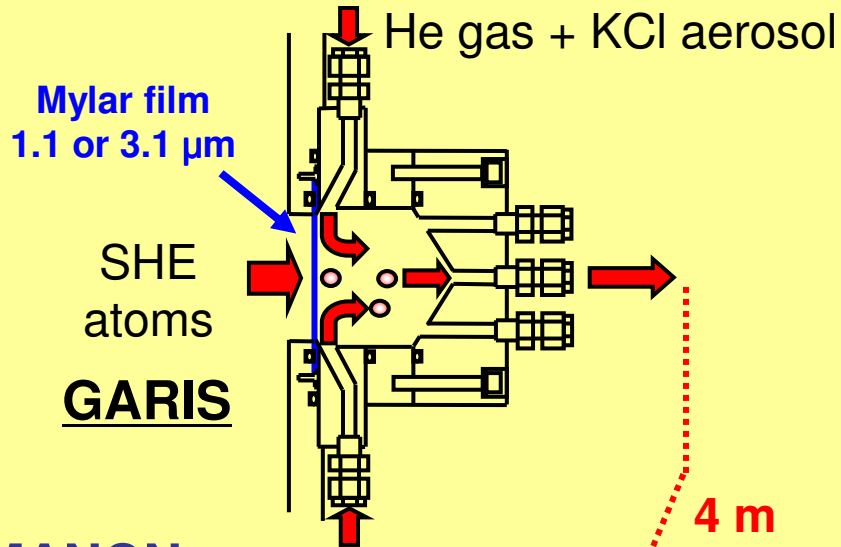
Measurement of total number of atoms transported to the vacuum window

Reactions



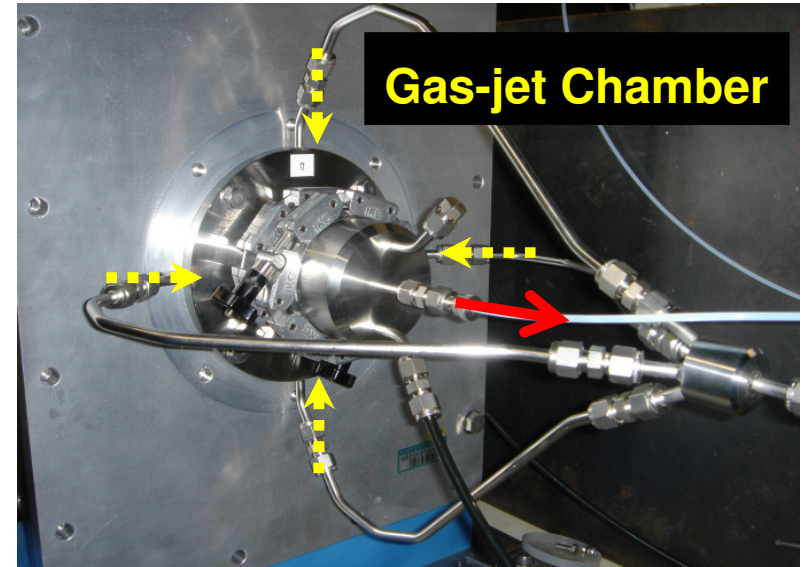
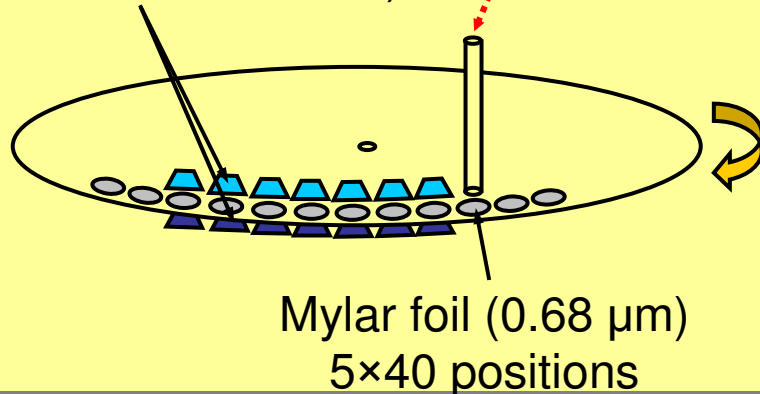
Setup of GARIS - Gas-jet system

2. Gas-jet chamber



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7 pairs of Si PIN Photodiodes
(18×18 mm², EFF: 76%)

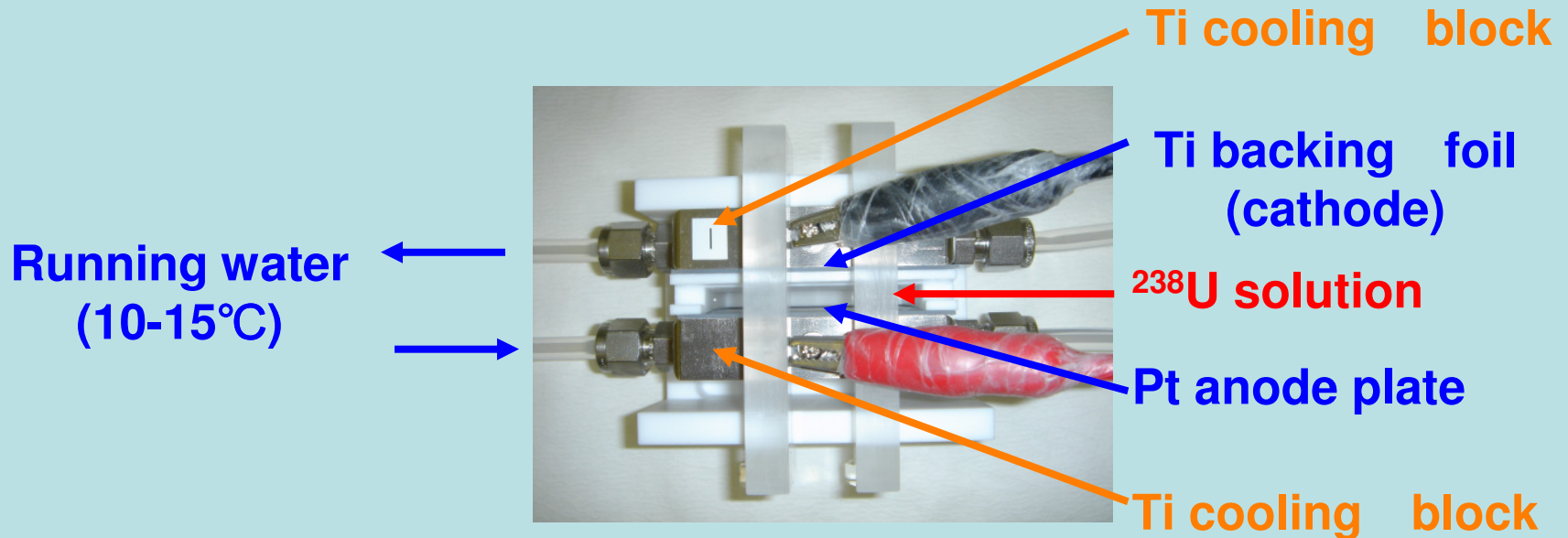


Experimental Condition

	^{206}Fr	^{245}Fm	^{255}No
Reaction	$^{169}\text{Tm}(^{40}\text{Ar},3n)^{206}\text{Fr}$	$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{40}\text{Ar},3n)^{245}\text{Fm}$	$^{238}\text{U}(^{22}\text{Ne},5n)^{255}\text{No}$
Cross section	376 μb	15 nb	90 nb
Beam energy (MeV)	169.7	197.6	113.8
Recoil energy (MeV)	32.5	31.9	9.6
Beam intensity (μA)	2	2	4
Target ($\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)	120	460	312
Target backing ($\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)	30 (C)	30 (C)	1270 (Ti)
Magnetic rigidity (Tm)	1.64	2.05	1.93
GARIS He pressure (Pa)	88	88	38
Mylar window (μm)	3.1	3.1	1.0
Support grid (%)	89	89	72
Chamber pressure (kPa)	89.4	91.3	38.2
He flow rate (L/min)	5.0	5.0	1.0
T_{KCl} ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	618	620	622

^{238}U Target preparation

Electrodeposition PTFE Cell



Condition for electrodeposition

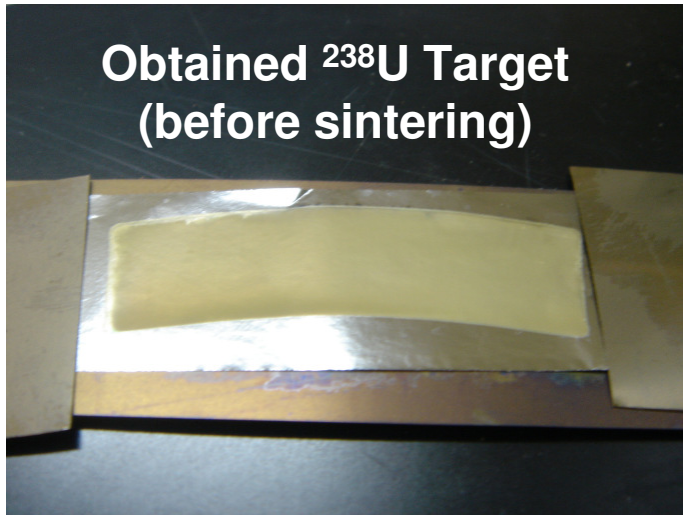
Backing: 3 μm Ti foil

Solution: 2.6 mg of U in 5.5 μL of 0.01M HNO_3 + 12 mL of 2-propanol

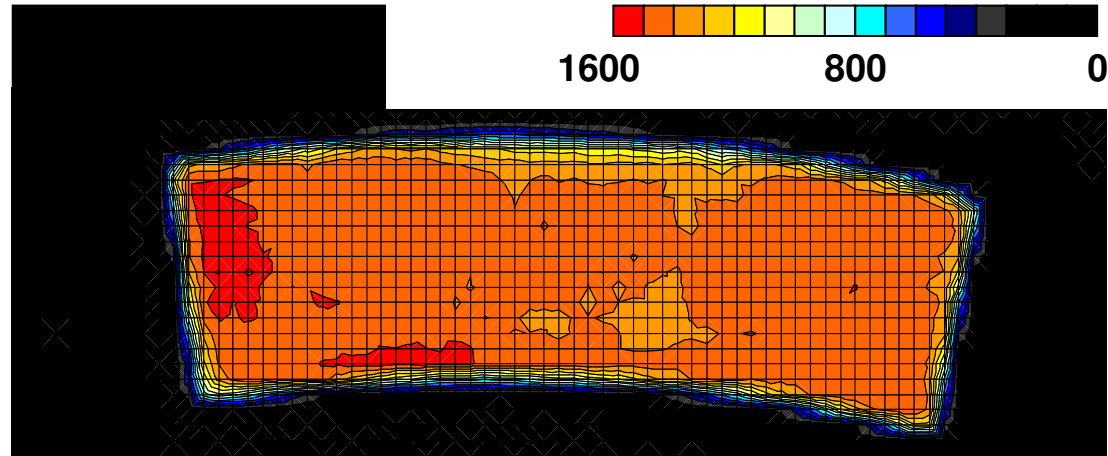
Voltage \times Current \times Time: 800 V \times 50 mA \times 20 min

Deposition area: 7.85 cm^2

^{238}U Target preparation



Photographic image taken by an imaging plate



○ Results of electrodeposition

Yield: $95 \pm 4\%$

RSD: 3%

Thickness: $312 \pm 15 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

○ After Irrad. with 8.7×10^{17} particles of ^{22}Ne

Thickness: $309 \pm 17 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

Not decrease !!

Results

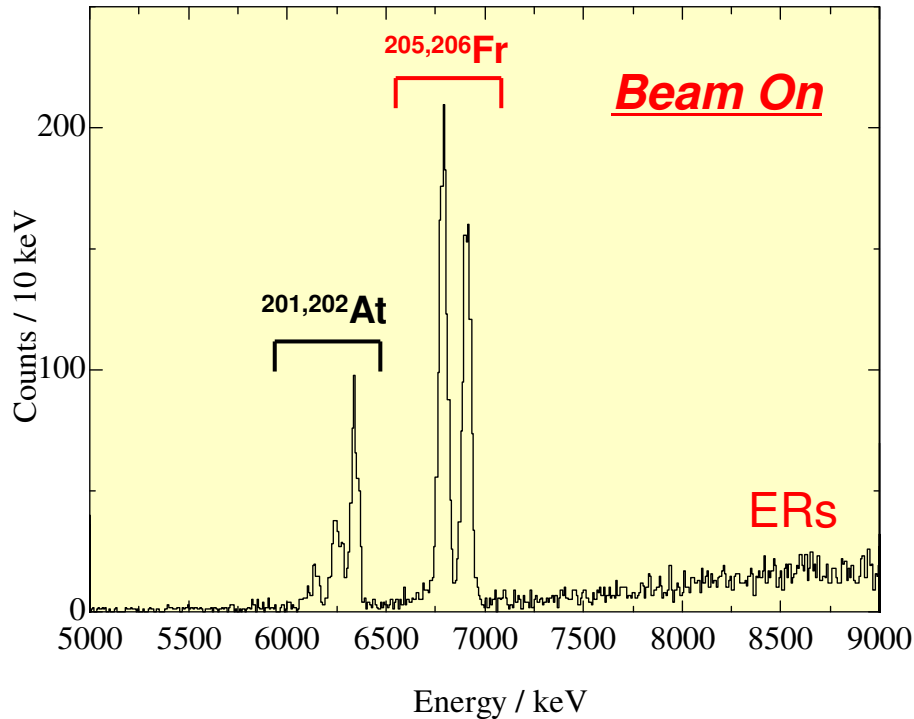
$^{169}\text{Tm}(^{40}\text{Ar},3\text{n})^{206}\text{Fr}$ (15.9 s, $E_{\alpha} = 6.79$ MeV)

$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{40}\text{Ar},3\text{n})^{245}\text{Fm}$ (4.2 s, $E_{\alpha} = 8.15$ MeV)

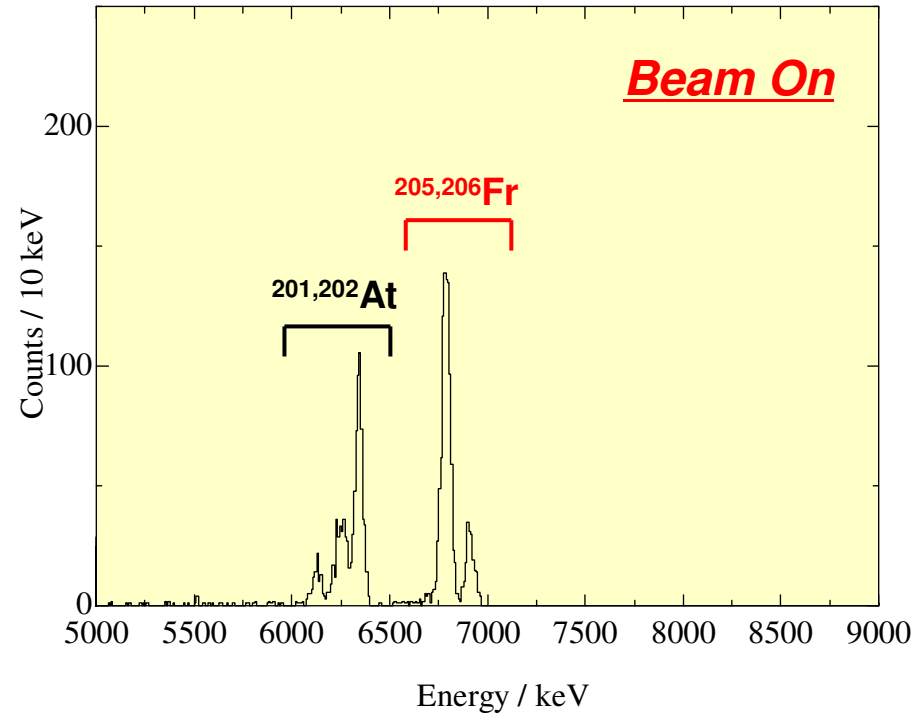
$^{238}\text{U}(^{22}\text{Ne},5\text{n})^{255}\text{No}$ (3.1 min, $E_{\alpha} = 7.620\text{--}8.312$ MeV)

Spectra of $^{205,206}\text{Fr}$

Focal plane detector



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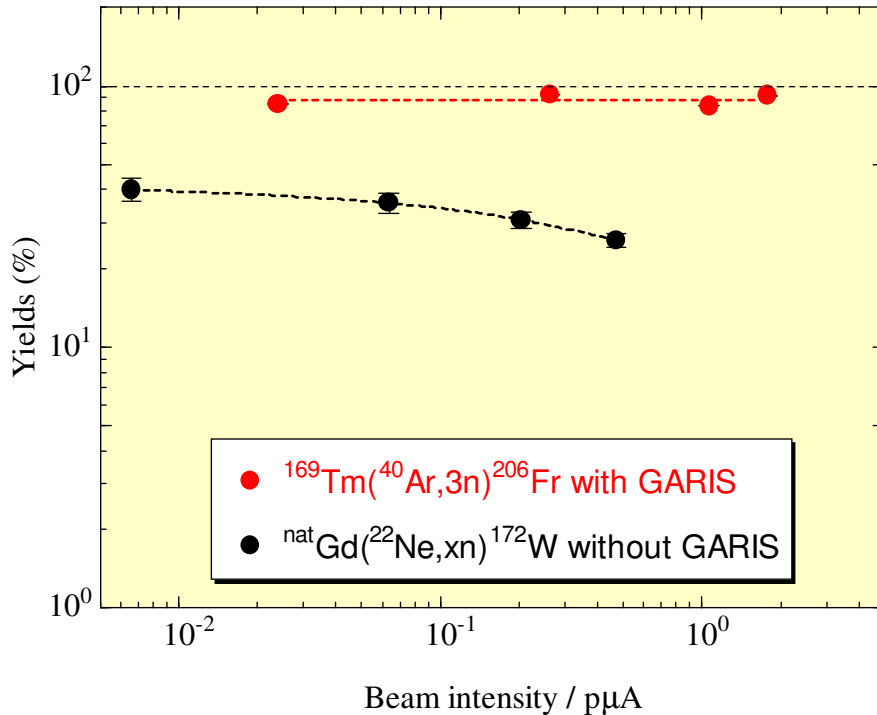


The alpha-peaks of Fr isotopes and their daughters are clearly identified.

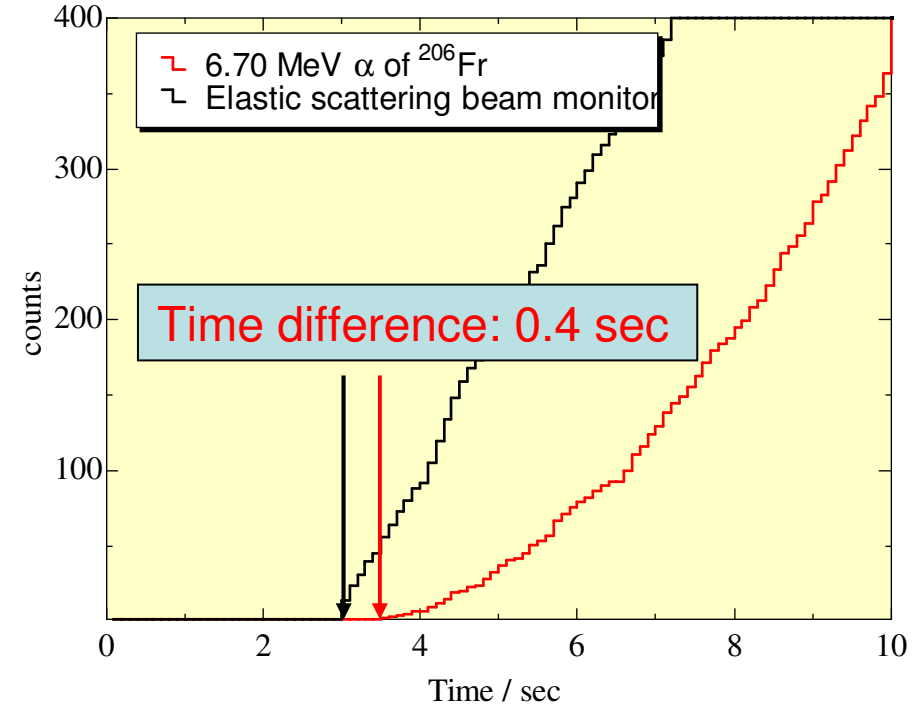
In particular, MANON spectrum was measured under low background condition.

Performance of Gas-jet system

Variation of Gas-jet yields of $^{205,206}\text{Fr}$



The transport time from the chamber to MANON

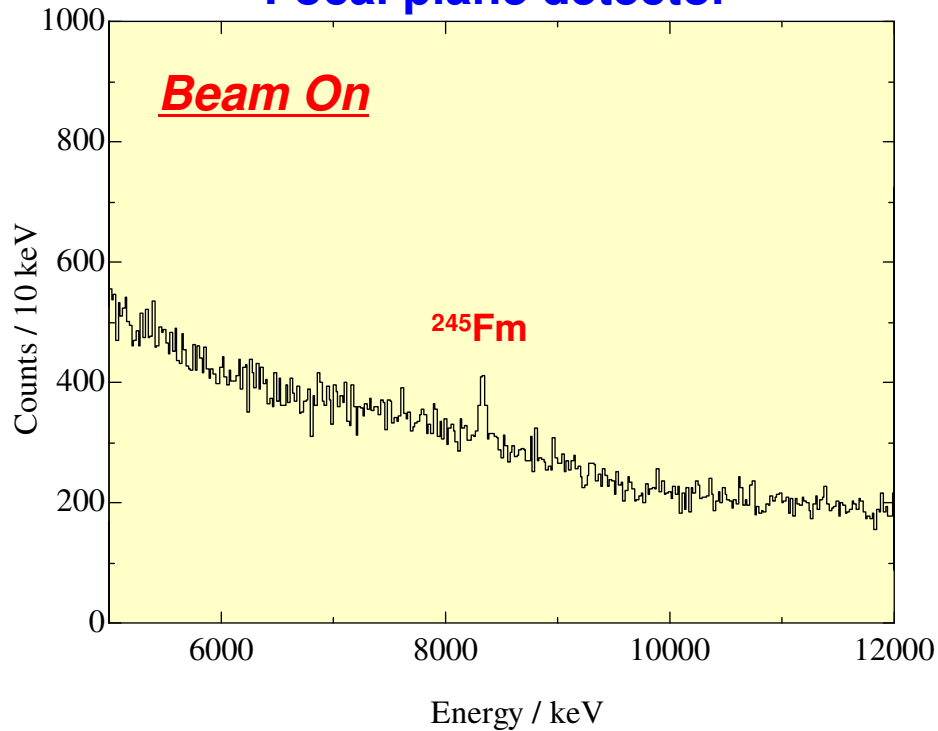


High gas-jet efficiency over 90% are obtained and these are independent of the beam intensity ($\sim 2 \text{ p}\mu\text{A}$).

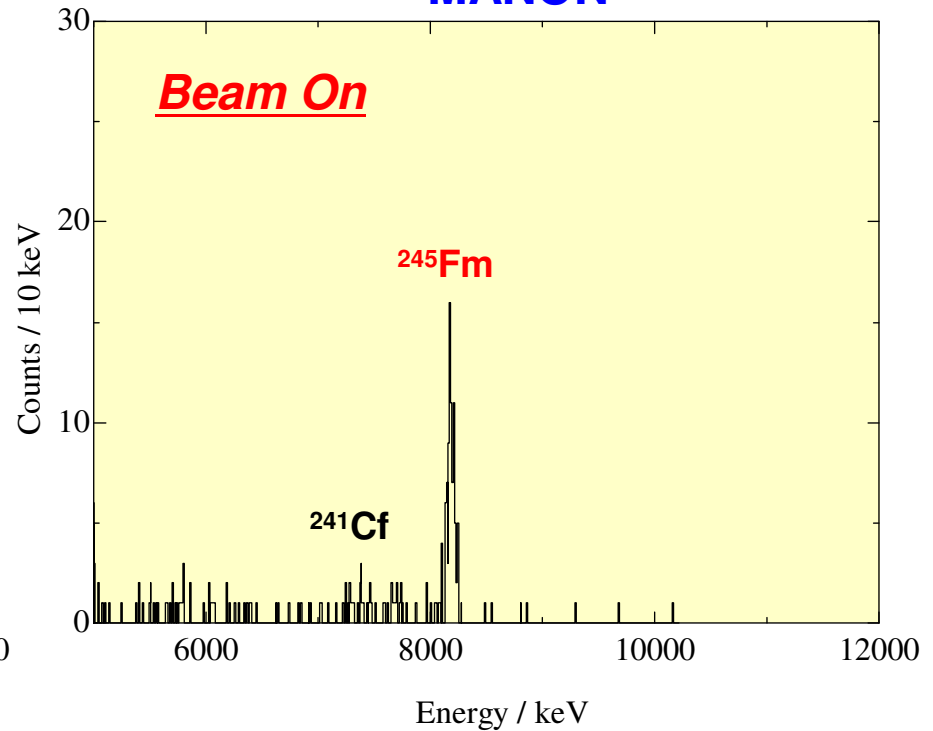
The transport time from the chamber to MANON is 0.4 s through 4-m capillary.

α spectra of ^{245}Fm

Focal plane detector



MANON



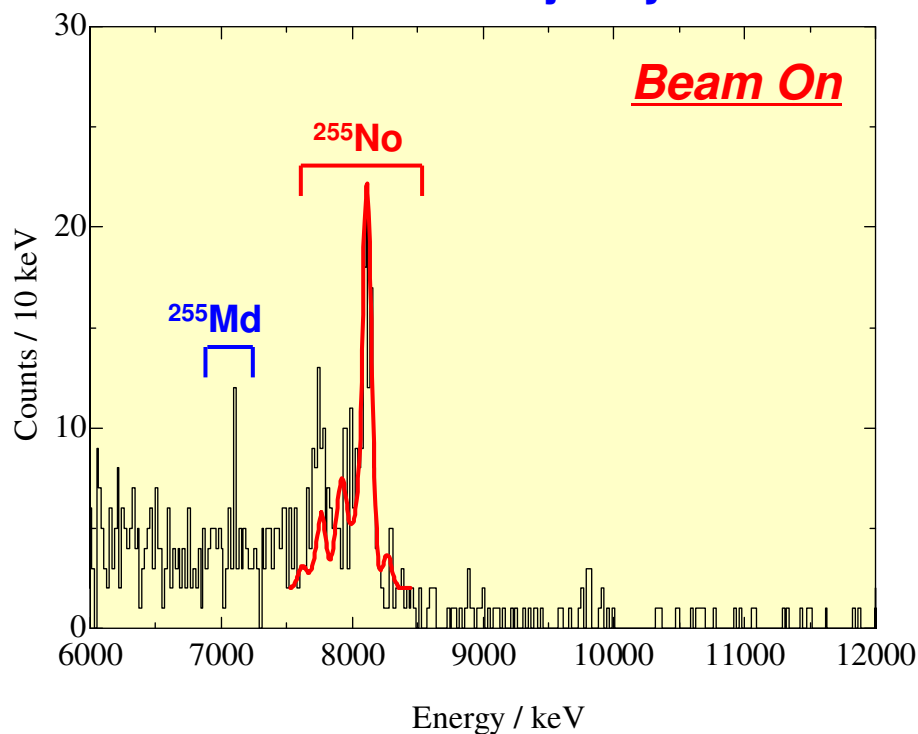
The α -peak of ^{245}Fm is clearly identified.

The transfer reaction products from ^{208}Pb target such as Po isotopes are completely removed.

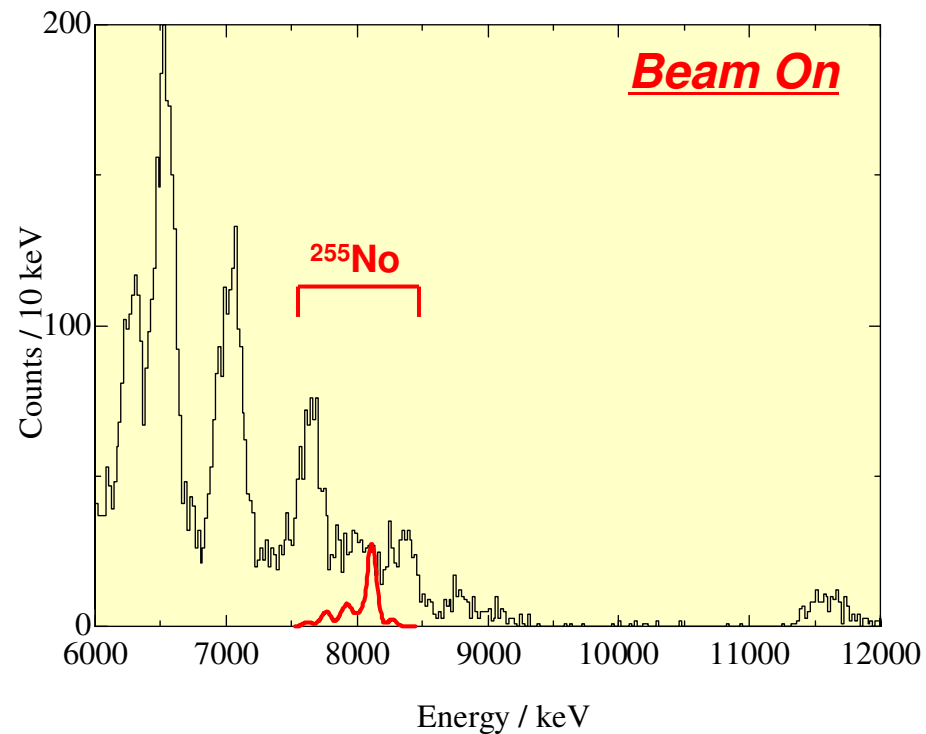
Performance of GARIS system

α -spectrum of $^{238}\text{U}(^{22}\text{Ne}, 5n)^{255}\text{No}$

GARIS / Gas-jet system



Without GARIS

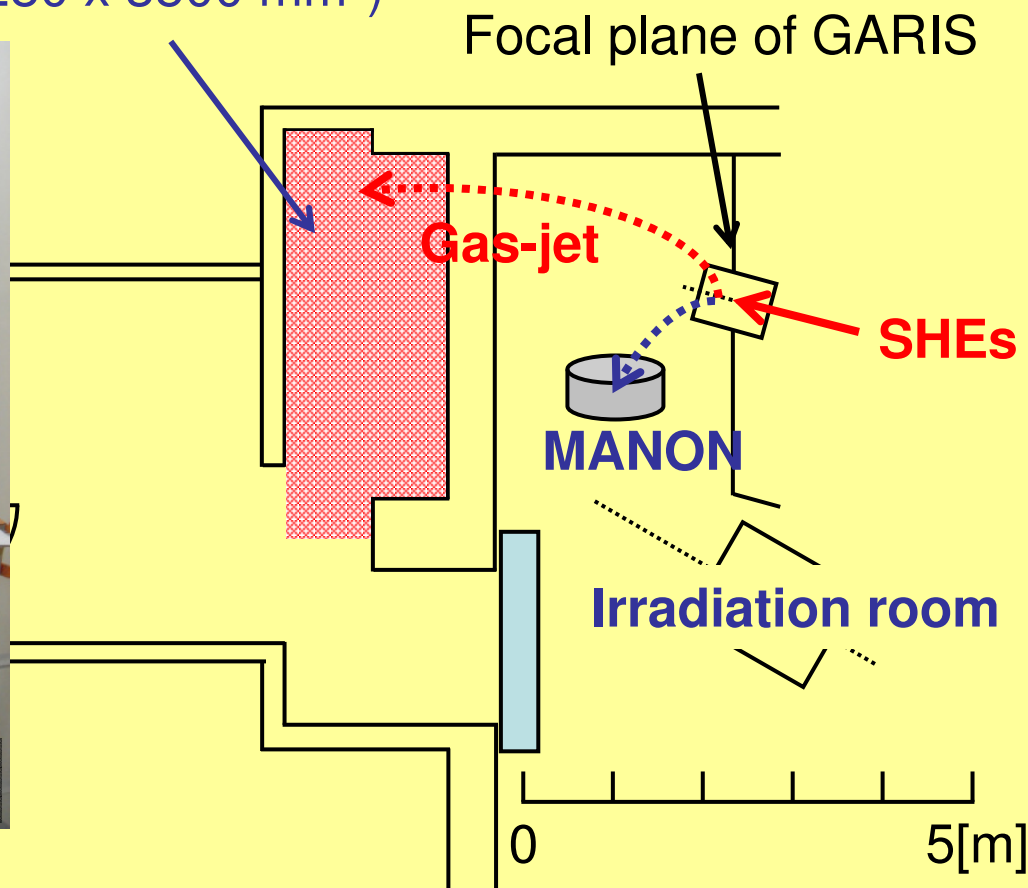


The α spectrum is very complicated.

The α -peaks of ^{255}No are clearly identified.

Chemistry laboratory for the future SHE chemistry

Chemistry laboratory under construction (1750 x 4280 x 3500 mm³)



Background level: ~1/100 of that in the irradiation room
Chemistry experiments under low background condition

Summary

- We measured transport efficiency of GARIS and Gas-jet yields.

	GARIS eff.	Gas-jet yield
$^{169}\text{Tm}(^{40}\text{Ar},3\text{n})^{206}\text{Fr}$	Not measured	>90%
$^{208}\text{Pb}(^{40}\text{Ar},3\text{n})^{245}\text{Fm}$	45%	75%
$^{238}\text{U}(^{22}\text{Ne},5\text{n})^{255}\text{No}$	5.7%	87%

- The transport time from the chamber to MANON is 0.4 s through 4-m capillary 1.6 mm i.d.

GARIS/Gas-jet system expected to be very powerful for the SHE chemistry!!