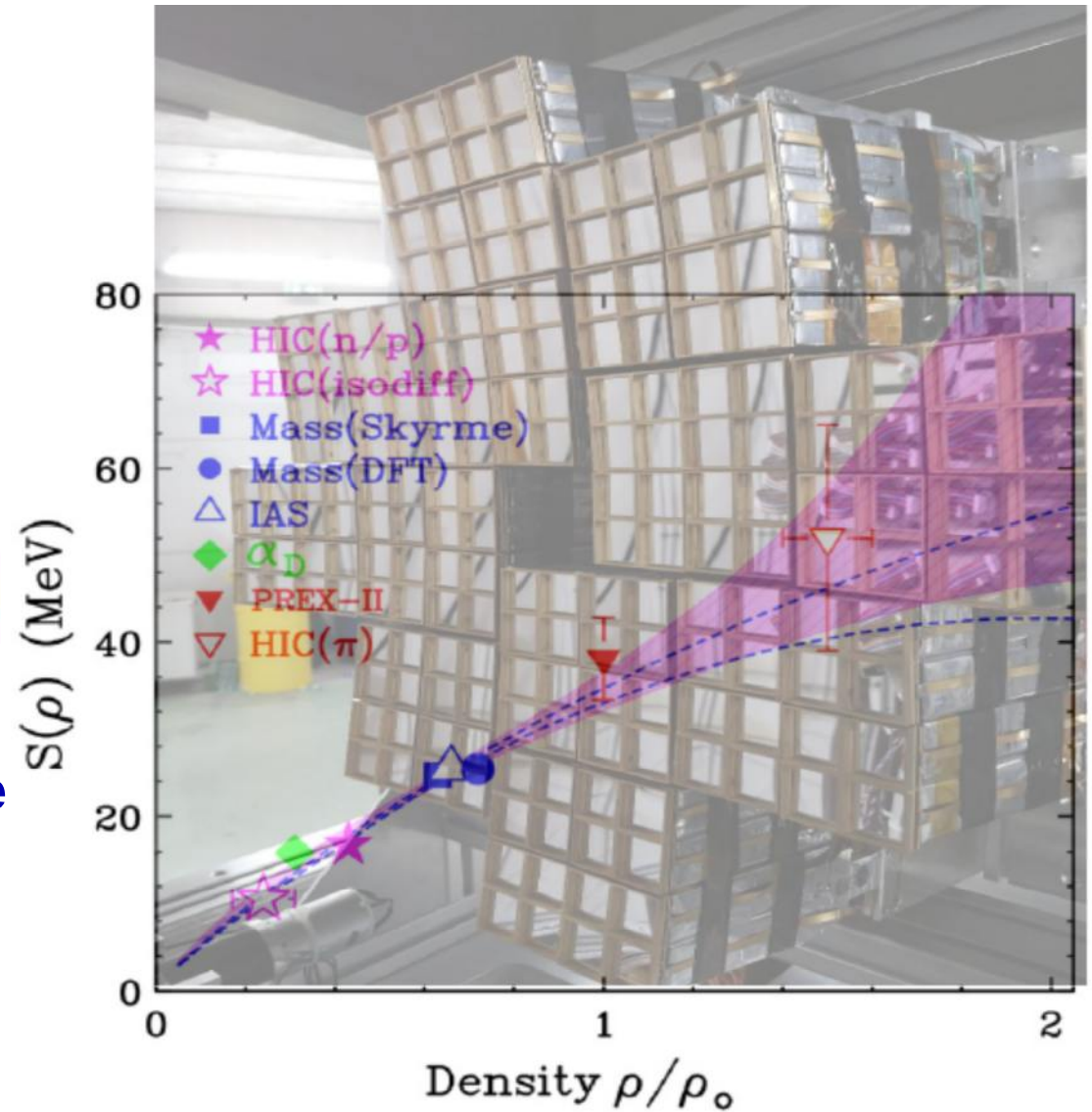


# Plans for Symmetry Energy research in INDRA-FAZIA



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# Summary

- The INDRA-FAZIA group
- The detector: sensors and electronics
- The performance: what we can contribute
- Ongoing activities and physics cases  
(for more: talks by Caterina and Alberto)
- New perspectives and R&D

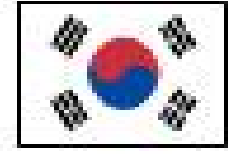
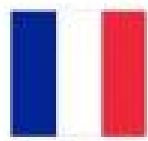
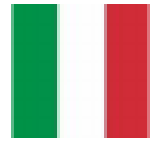


# The INDRA-FAZIA collaboration

**F**orward **A** and **Z** **I**dentification **A**rray

Born in 2006 with the goal to build an advanced solid-state detector array for identification of ions (Z,A), also exploiting the powerful opportunity of fast digital electronics for signal PSA.

After the R&D, the group built 12+4 modules of 3-stage telescopes to be used alone or coupled with other arrays. The priority is the coupling with INDRA at GANIL.



Since 2019 South Korea fully joined the collaboration, that was before only european.

Activities and plans included in a Memorandum of Understandings, now at its second edition.

**MoU n.1 2018-2022**      **End of R&D and first experiments**

**MoU n.2 2023-2027**      **Mature exploitation Phase**

**Human resources: about 30 physicists (among them: 3 PhD, 3 PostDOC)**



# The FAZIA block

Front-end cards

One Fazia block is 16 telescopes  $\text{Si}_1\text{-Si}_2\text{-CsI } 20 \times 20 \text{ mm}^2$

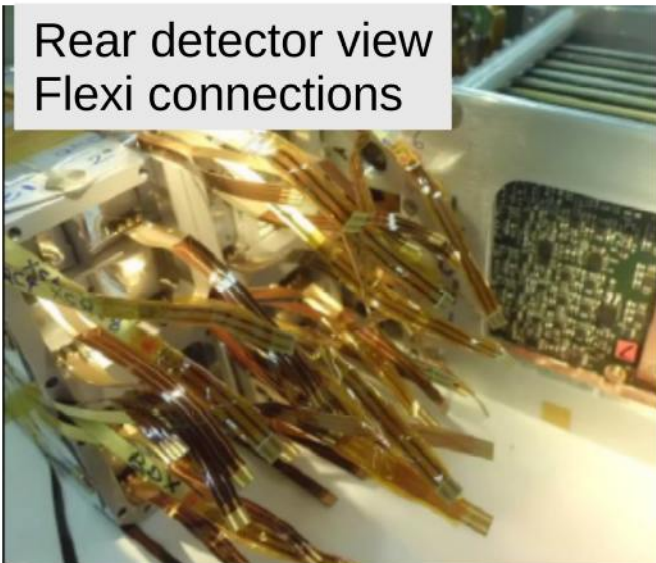
16  $\text{Si}_2$  ntd  $500 \mu\text{m}$

Connectors

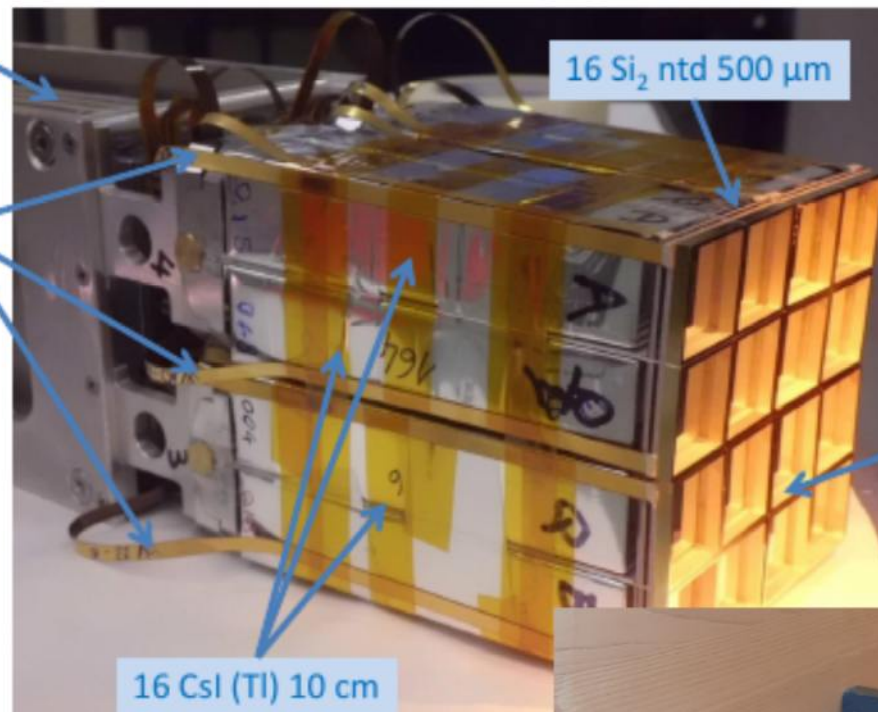
detector view  
 $\text{Si-Si-CsI}$

16  $\text{Si}_1$  ntd  $300 \mu\text{m}$

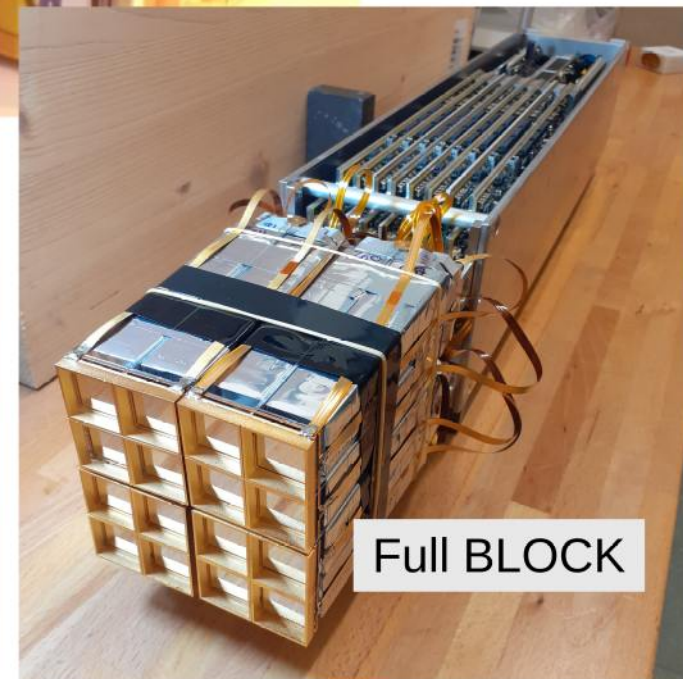
16 CsI (TI) 10 cm



Rear detector view  
Flexi connections



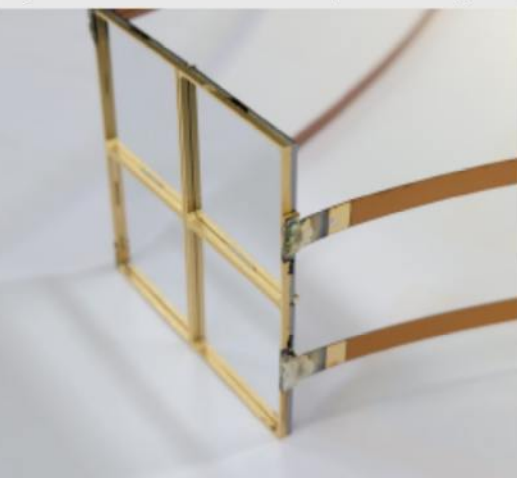
Gold plated ergal *quartetto* frame  
(for a 4-silicon pad layer)



Full BLOCK

The complexity is confined under vacuum  
The I/O connection is easy and needs only:

- Power supply DC 48V
- Optical fiber
- Two pipes for a water cooling system

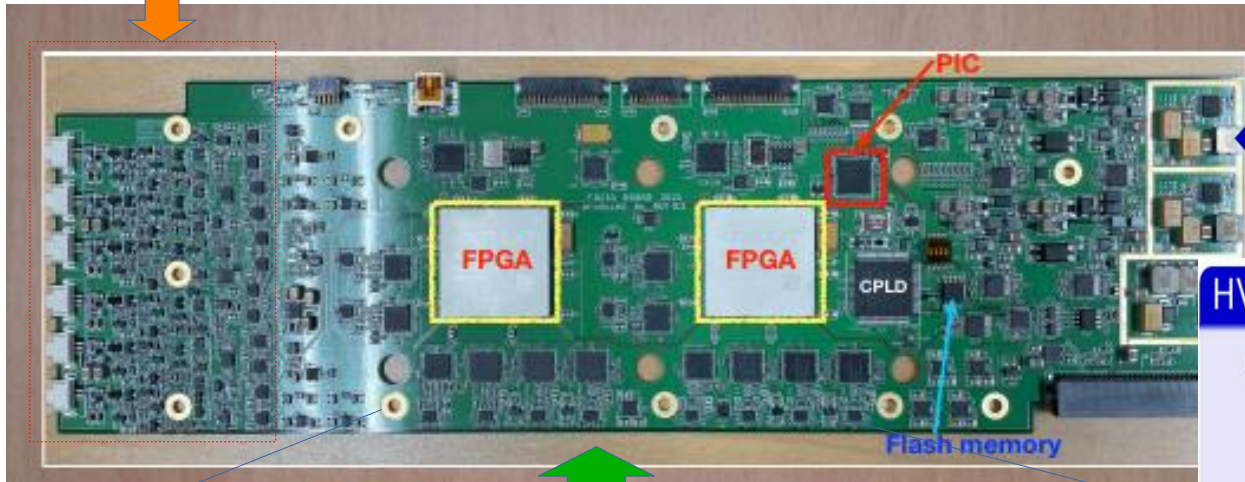


# Electronics



S. Valdrè et al NIM A 930 2019

- Analog chain (for each telescope)
- 3 fixed gain charge pre-amplifiers (8 V out dynamic range)
  - High range signals are **attenuated** by a factor 4
  - Low range signals are **amplified** by a factor 4
  - Current signal by **analog differentiation** of charge signals

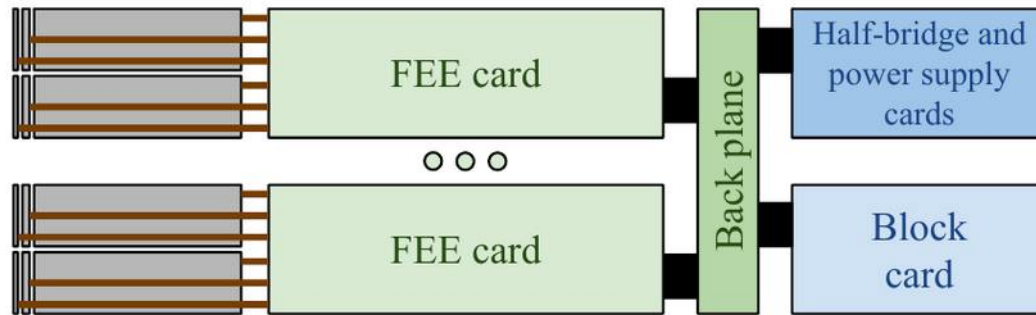


- HV generation
- DC/DC converters produce the Si detectors **bias voltages**:
    - 0–200 V for Si1 (140 V depletion voltage)
    - 0–300 V for Si2 (290 V depletion voltage)
  - Csl(Tl) photodiode bias voltage from the Power Supply card:
    - **optocoupler switch** on FEE card.

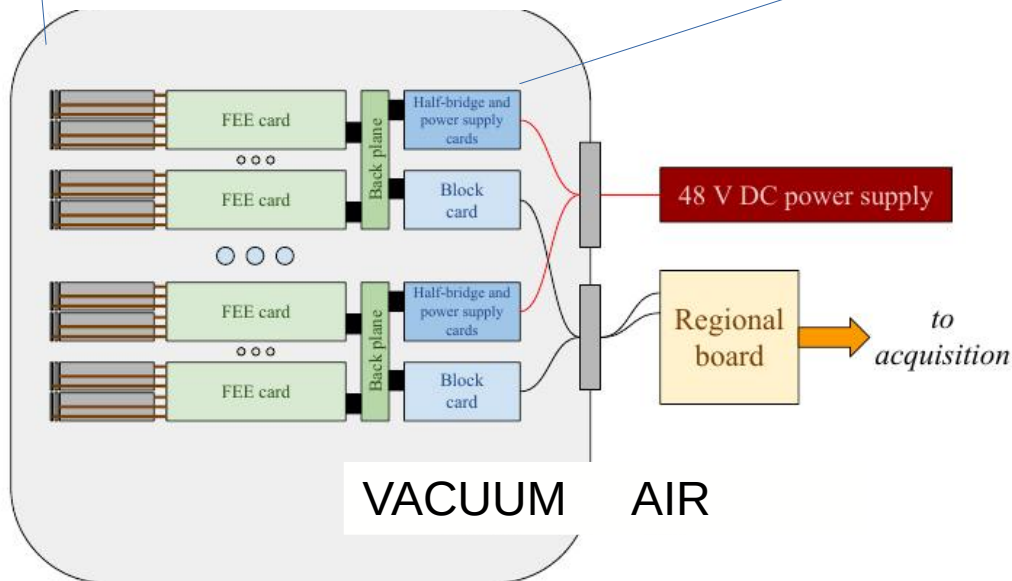
## 6 sampling ADCs per telescope

- 100 MHz, 14 bit (4 GeV full scale) [Si1 high range charge signal (QH1)]
- 250 MHz, 14 bit (250 MeV full scale) [Si1 low range charge signal (QL1)]
- 250 MHz, 14 bit [Si1 current signal (I1)]
- 100 MHz, 14 bit (4 GeV full scale) [Si2 charge signal (Q2)]
- 250 MHz, 14 bit [Si2 current signal (I2)]
- 100 MHz, 14 bit (4 GeV Si-equiv. full scale) [Csl(Tl) charge signal (Q3)]

# Electronics layout



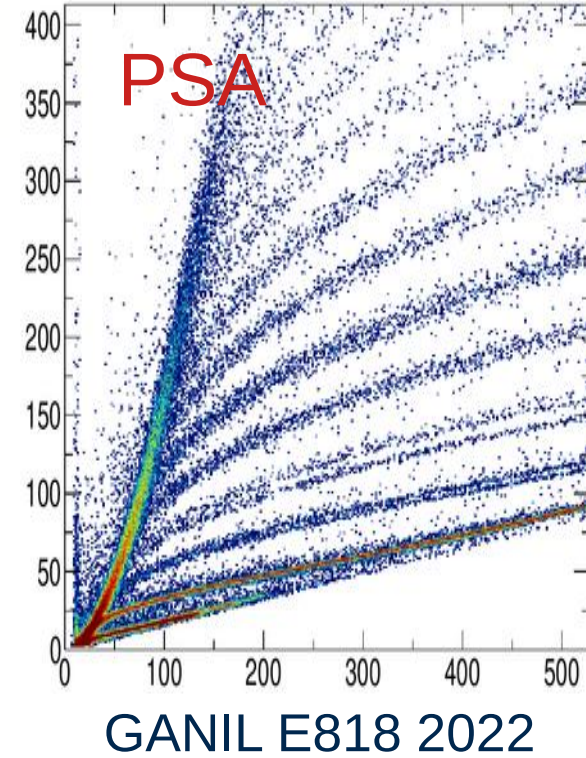
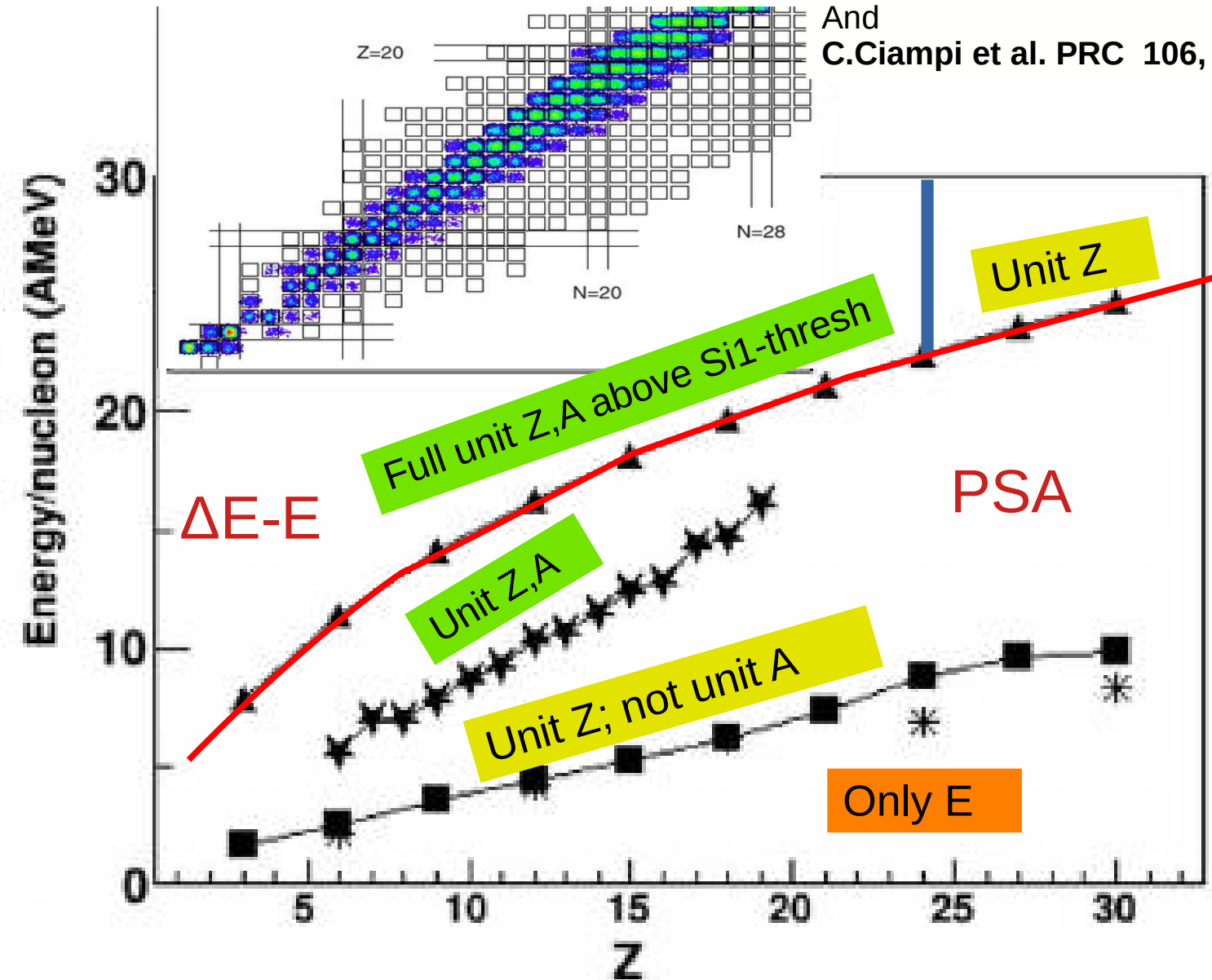
1 Block: 16 telescopes connected two-by-two to 8 FE boards



The 8 FE cards in a block are connected to Block Cards (BC) for the complete data transfer. The BC receives electrical signals/bits and transforms to optical packets, which are sent to the trigger Regional Board, outside the scattering chamber, through a full duplex 3Gb/s fiber link.

# Present Z,A performance

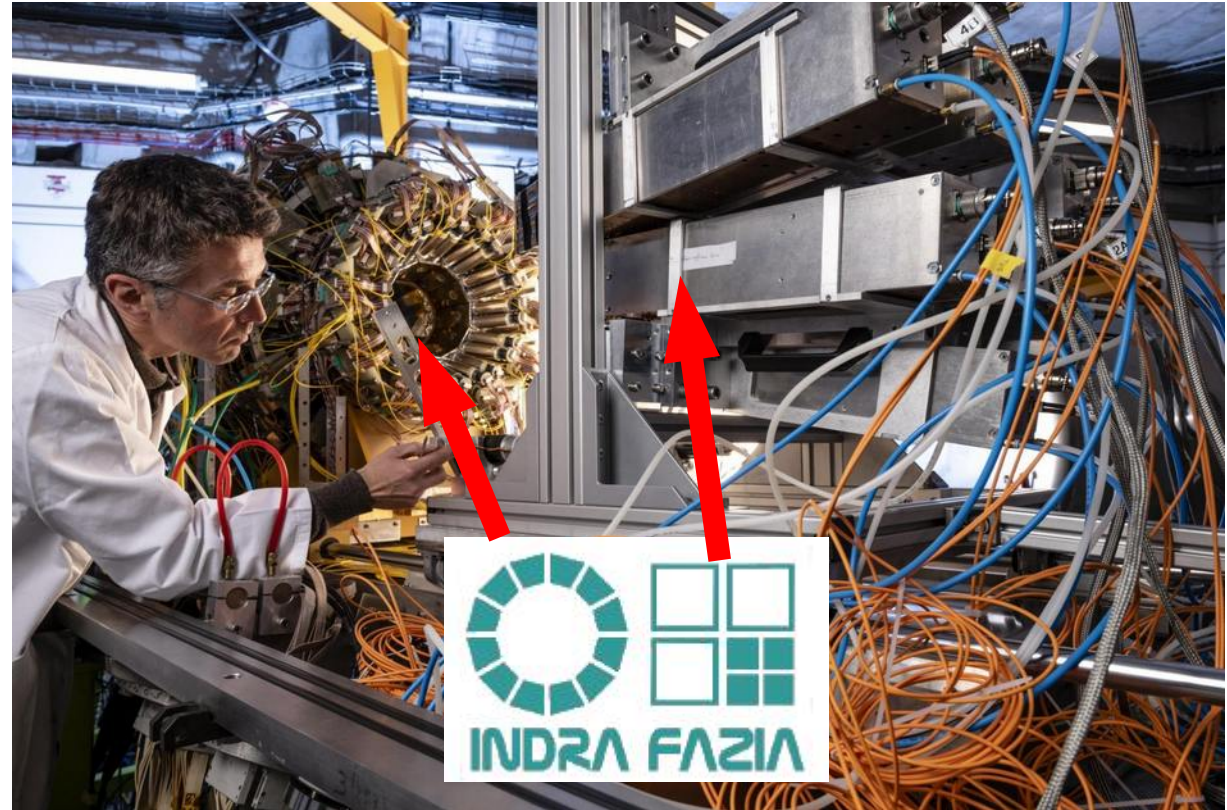
Adapted from  
 G. Pastore et al. NIM A 860, 2017  
 And  
 C.Ciampi et al. PRC 106, 2022



Results obtained from the first real experiment at LNS and then confirmed as average performance in the last INDRA-FAZIA experiments



# Experiments at GANIL



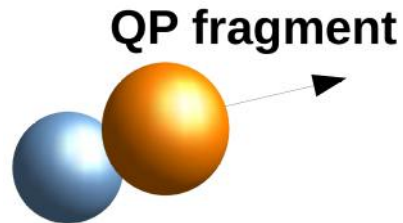
From 2019 we are performing experiments with INDRA-FAZIA



# Physics: EOS at subsaturation via semiperipheral reactions at Fermi Energies

Specific field of interest, shared with other excellent groups (e.g. Texas-AM, MSU, LNS Catania)

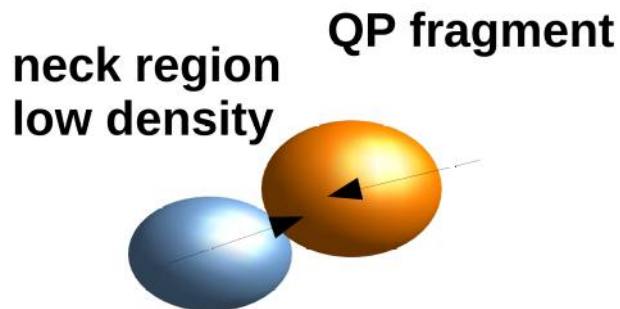
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QT fragment

beam and target ions  
with different n/p

neutron-proton flux  
mainly governed by  
 $E_{sym}(\rho=\rho_0)$



QT fragment

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with equal n/p

Density gradients:  
neutron-proton flux also  
ruled by  $L_{sym}$

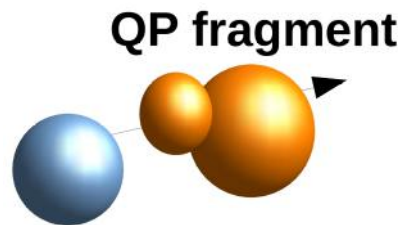
- Often both processes are supposed to come into play
- Selective isospin-related quantities to evidence effects



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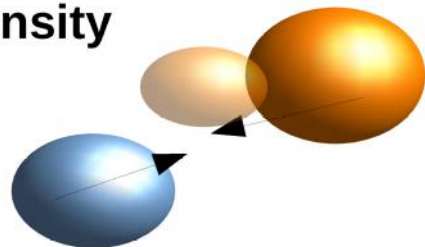
QP fragment

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with different n/p

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neck region  
low density



QT fragment

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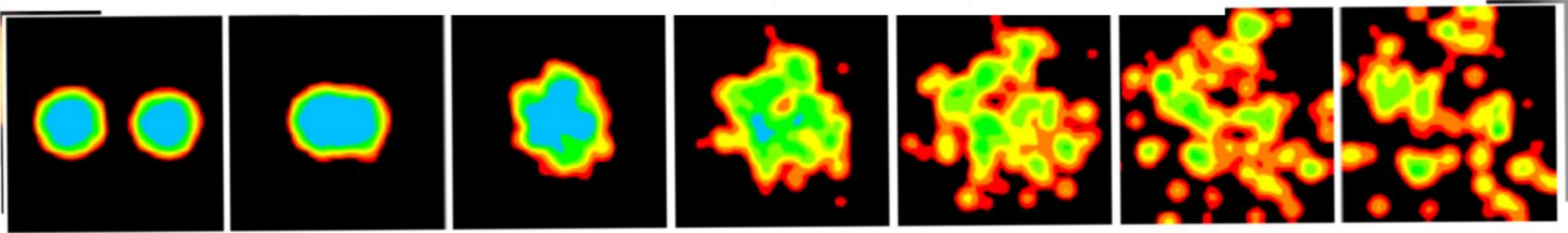
Density gradients:  
neutron-proton flux also  
ruled by  $L_{sym}$

**We are extending isotopic analysis to the BU channel:**  
S.Piantelli PRC 101 2020  
Caterina Ciampi’s Talk at Nusym23

other works, e.g. Jedele PRL 118 2017  
Rodriguez-Manso PRC 102 2020

# Physics: cluster formation and decay for EOS investigation

AMD calculation from A.Ono Prog Part Nucl Phys 105 2019



An active subject, studied in small to medium-size systems. In particular:

- cluster chemistry and abundances were measured in S,Ne+C and compared to AMD+Gemini prediction (Frosin et al. PRC 107 2023)
- the last experiment E818 (2022) is focused on the cluster dissolution vs. density (Mott transition) in hot diluted systems formed via central Ni+Ni collisions (analysis in progress)
- Byproduct of E818: Hoyle states and light nuclear resonances in C+C reactions (analysis next to the end)
- First correlation technique with FAZIA to get decay IMF resonances (Piantelli et al PRC 107 2023)

see: **Alberto Camaiani's** talk at Nusym23

# INDRA-FAZIA and the regions of the E<sub>sym</sub>

FAZIA activity (2010-2021)  
LNS and GANIL  
C,S,Ne,Ca, Ni,Kr beams from 25 to 52MeV/u

## SEMIPERIPHERAL

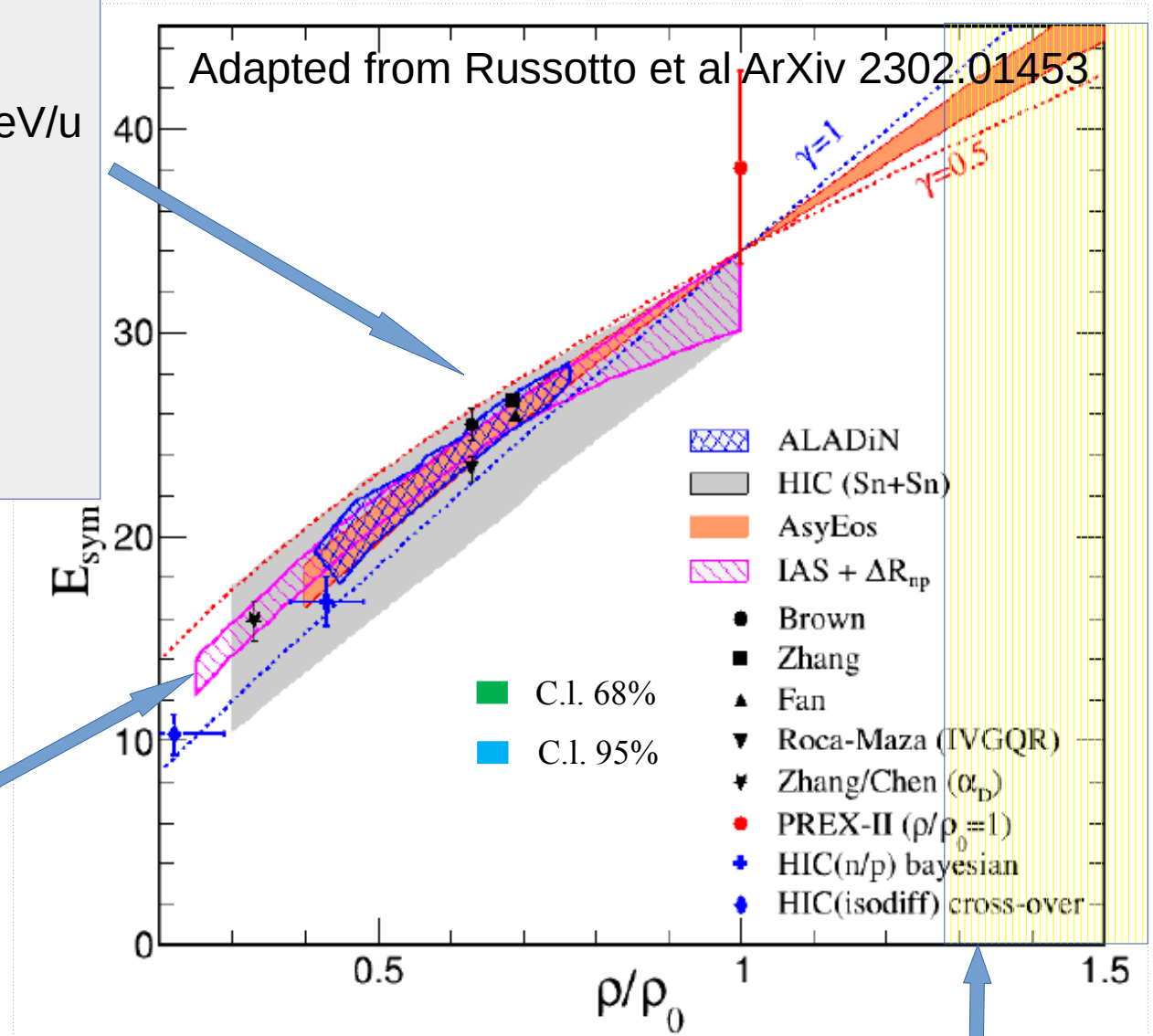
QP vs IMF emissions  
Neck chemistry and features  
QP break-up channel  
Fragment formation and emissions  
Resonances reconstruction

INDRA FAZIA activity (2022)

Last exp at GANIL  
Ni beams 74 MeV/u

## CENTRAL

Mott transition up to Z=6-8 clusters  
Equilibrium constants  
In-medium effects



possible activity at  
FRIB and RAON (2025-2035)

# New opportunities: Raon in South Korea

Thanks to the Korean partnership, there are plans at the RAON complex, next years

## RAON

Phase 1: 2011-2022-->2024 (ISOL + KOBRA medium E beams)

Phase 2: 2023-2030 (H.E. Superconducting Linac)

next TALK by Byungsik Hong

## KEY FEATURES

- High quality RI beams by **ISOL & IF**

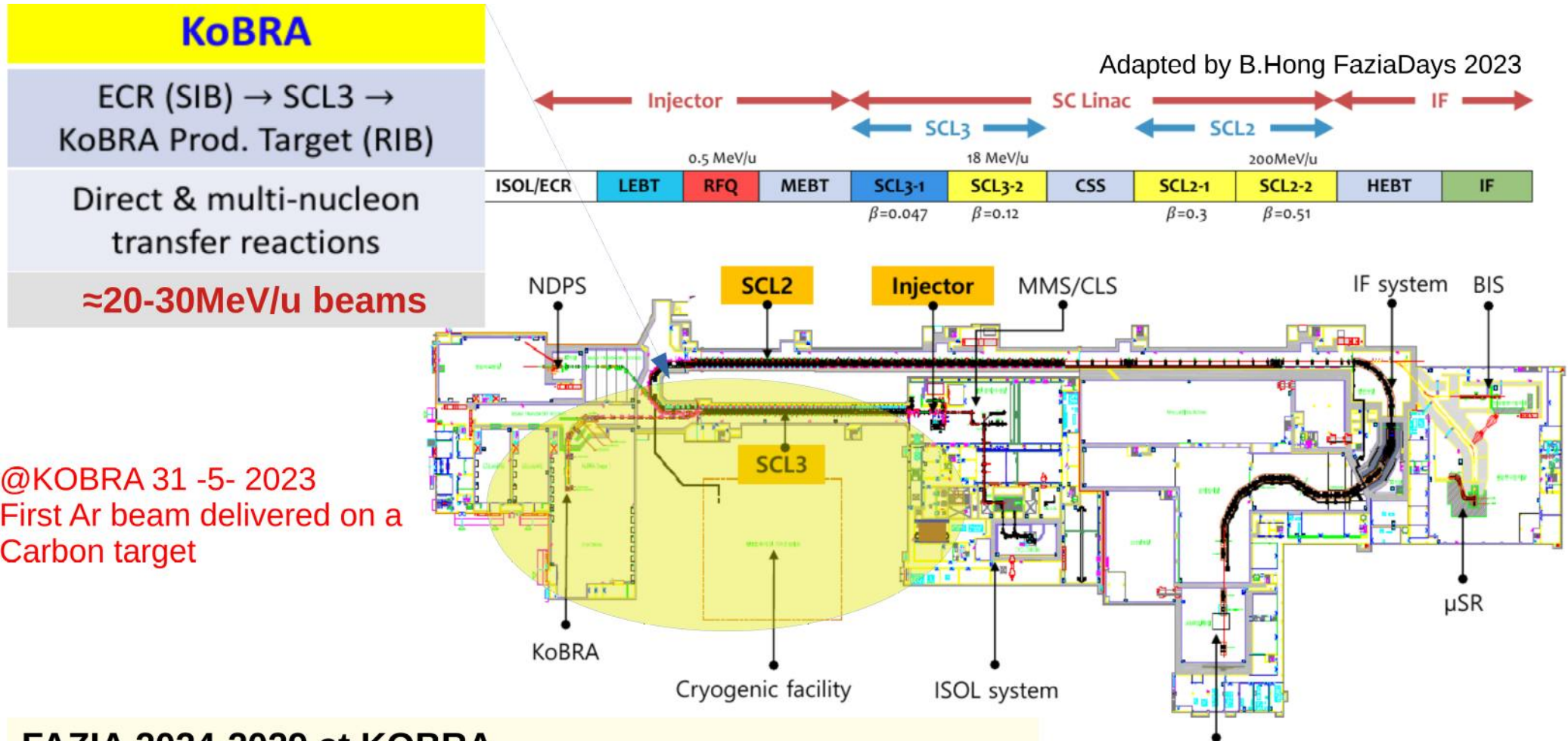
ISOL: fission fragments from U by 70MeV protons

IF: SC linac system up to 200MeV/u  
Uranium beams 8pμA

- High-intensity n-rich beams  
e.g.  **$^{132}\text{Sn}$  250MeV/u up to  $10^9$  pps** for users
- Rich variety of exotic beams via combination of IF and ISOL



# Mid-term FAZIA plans at RAON



Adapted by B.Hong FaziaDays 2023

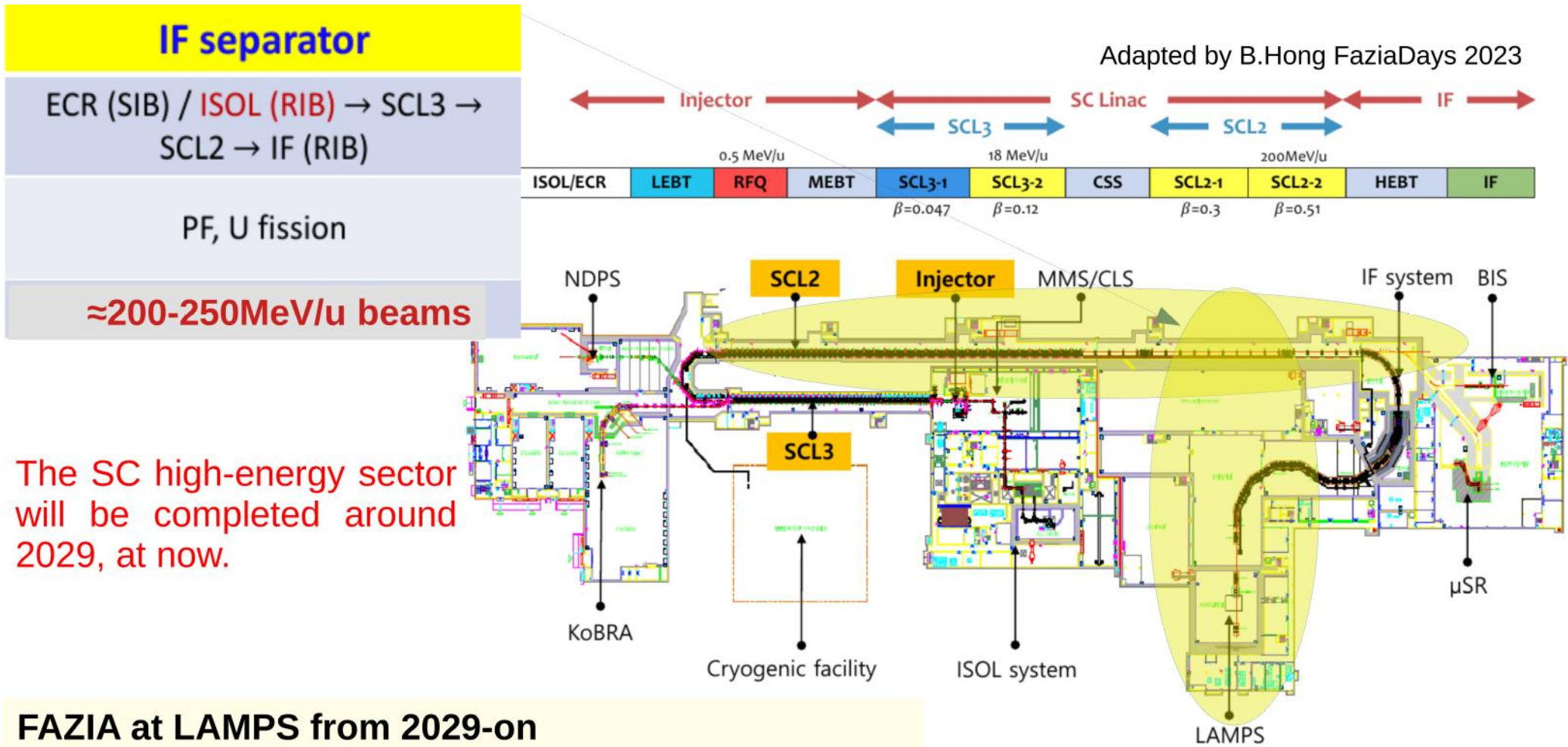
@KOBRA 31 -5- 2023  
First Ar beam delivered on a Carbon target

## FAZIA 2024-2029 at KOBRA

- Tests of new detectors-electronics
- Some experiments using the KOBRA facility (stable and exotic beams)

IFS:	$^{238}\text{U}$ (200 MeV/u, 400 kW) + C
KOBRA:	$^{40}\text{Ar}$ (30 MeV/u, 12 kW) + Be
ISOL:	p(70 MeV, 70 kW)+UC <sub>x</sub>
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# Long-term FAZIA plans at RAON



The SC high-energy sector will be completed around 2029, at now.

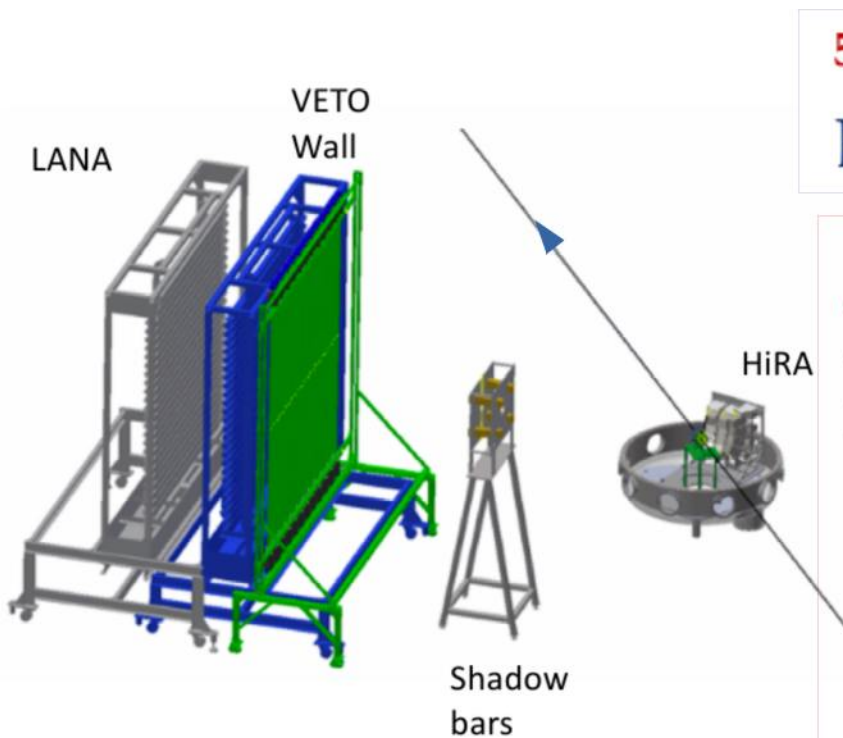
- FAZIA at LAMPS from 2029-on**
- Very preliminary programs/intentions
  - Use of FAZIA blocks for **mid-velocity emissions and for target spectator fragmentation**
  - Energies around 250MeV/u;
  - Reference beams: n-rich Xe, Sn

SYM23

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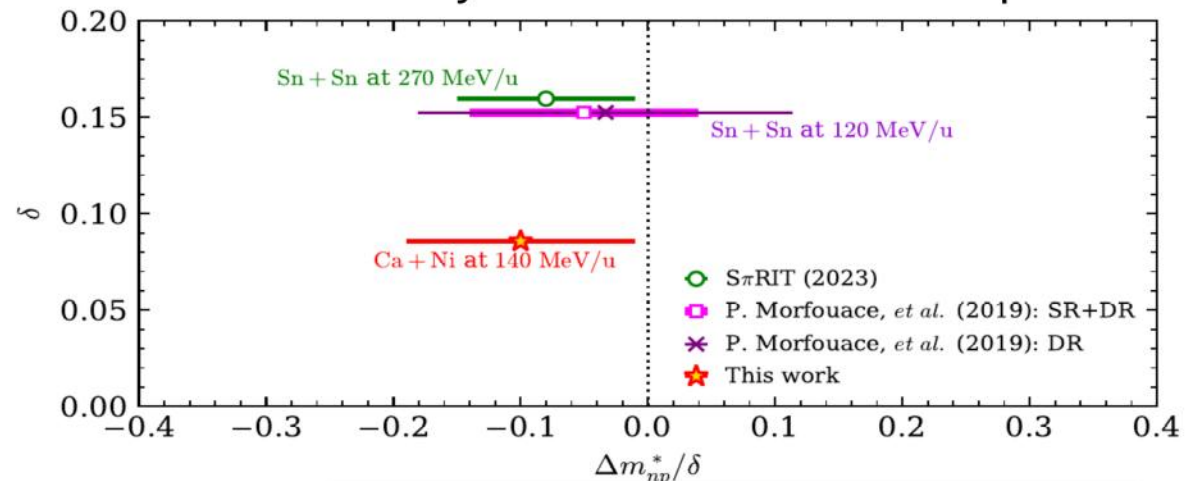
$^{56,70}\text{Ni} + ^{58,64}\text{Ni}$   
 $E/A = 175 \text{ MeV}$



Exotic FRIB beams used

Models predict some sensitivity to effective p,n effective mass differences for high momentum particles.  
 Observables: Single Y(n/p) and Double Ratios (if beam-target poker combinations)

A recent systematics for effective n-p masses



Setup upgradings:

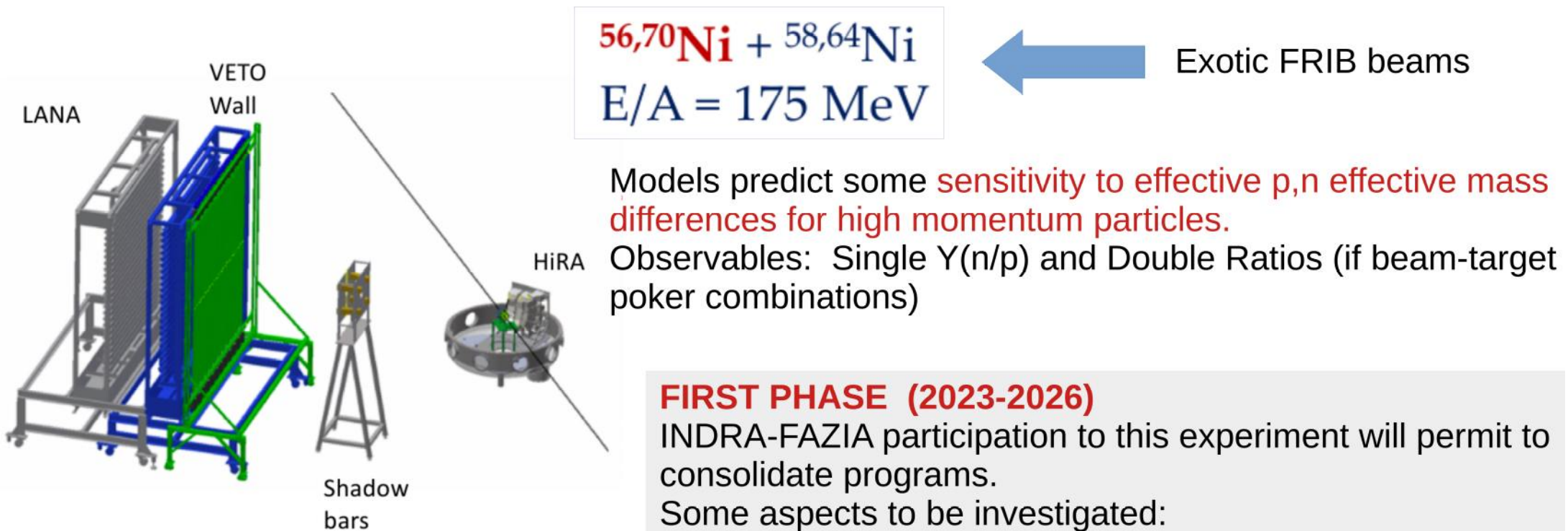
- LANA for neutron detection
- fiber bar (instead of MicroBall) for event and reaction plane selection

Slight negative  $\Delta m^*$  emerging



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## FIRST PHASE (2023-2026)

INDRA-FAZIA participation to this experiment will permit to consolidate programs.

Some aspects to be investigated:

- Exotic beam diagnostics (chemistry and optics)
- Neutrons vs charged species balance for physics
- Isotopic separation for spectators (Z-range, E-thres.)
- Improve centrality and reac. plane selection

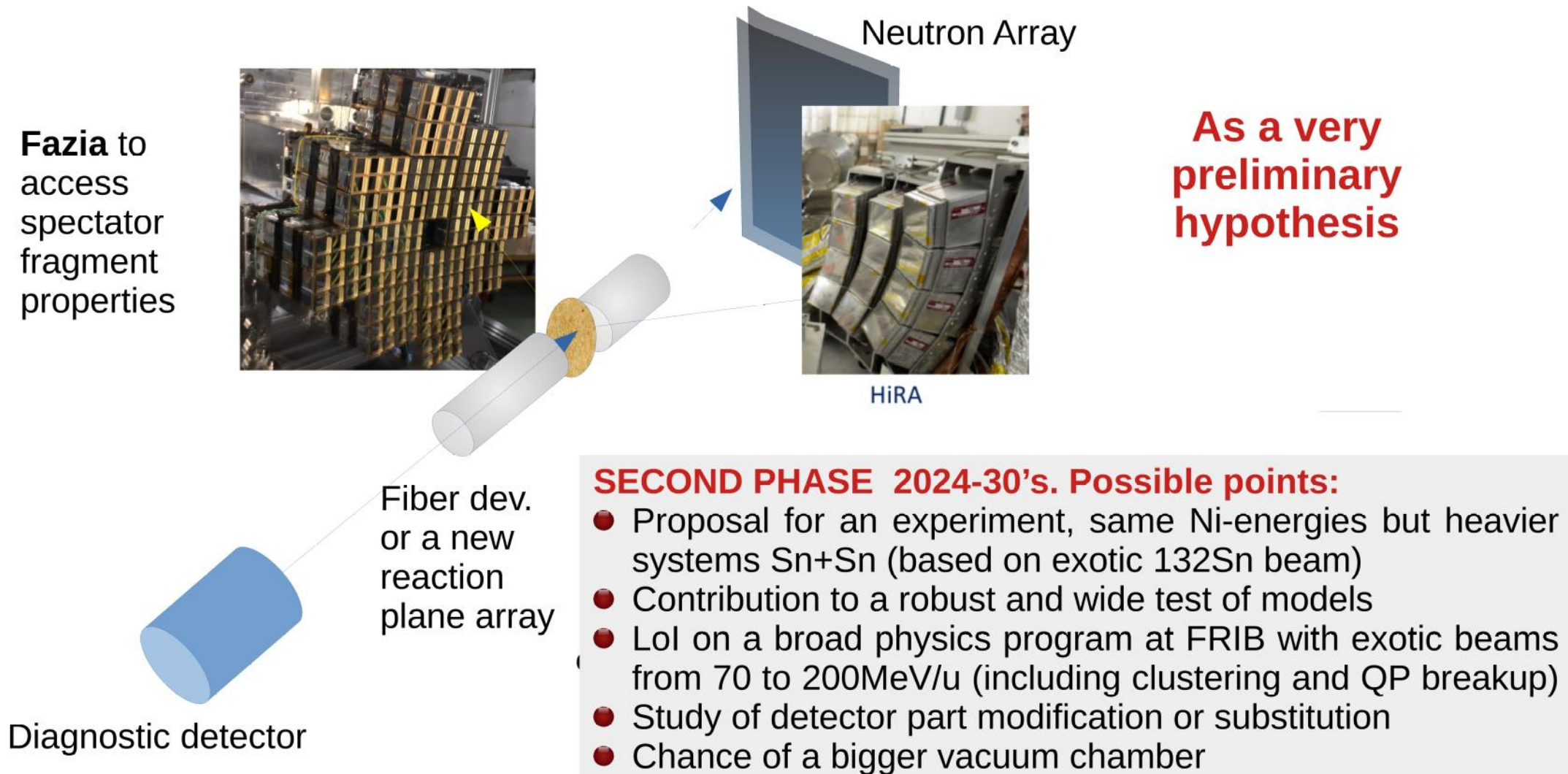
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G.Ca

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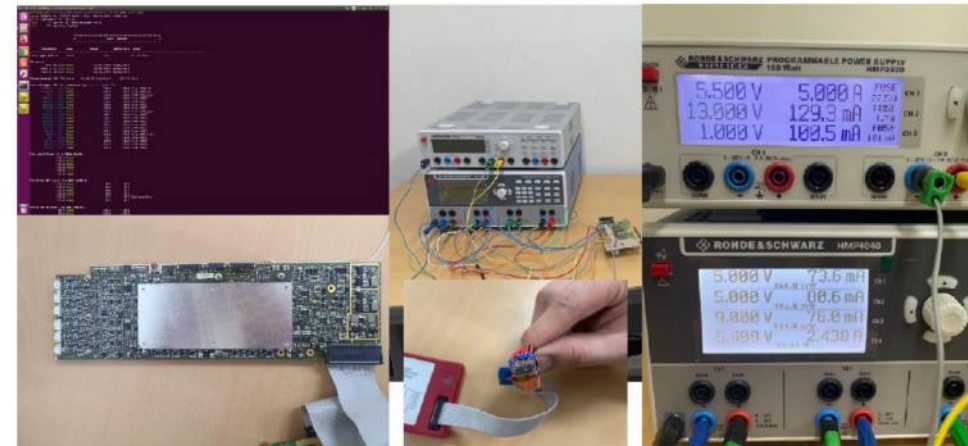
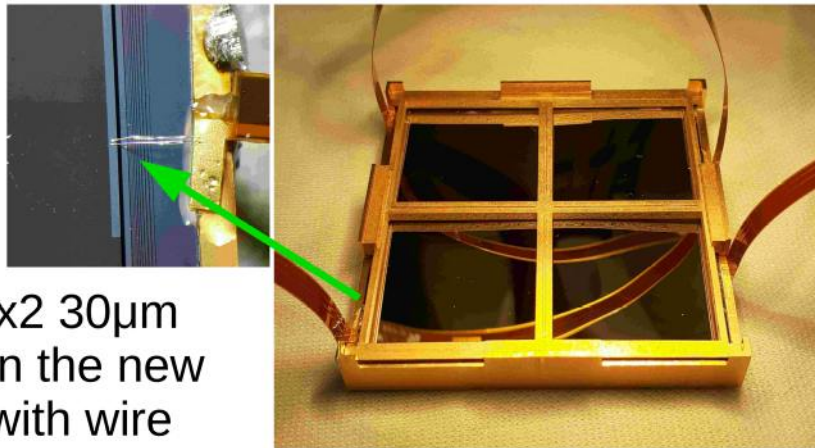


# Sectors of R&D

## Detectors

- Si1 stage: going thinner (20-30 $\mu\text{m}$ ) for very low thresholds (Z-ident)
- Si2 stage: going thicker (750-1000 $\mu\text{m}$ ) for above 70MeV/u (Z,A ident)
- CsI crystals: evaluate higher granularity
- Which detector for diagnostics?
- Timing detectors?

Florence lab:  
 Prototype of 2x2 30 $\mu\text{m}$   
 thick Sensor in the new  
 FAZIA holder with wire  
 bonding



South KOREA:  
 The new FAZIA lab and the new FEE

## Electronics

- Fighting against obsolescence (FPGA and not only)
- Simplifying the design (space, components, heat production, firmware)
- Creating local labs for detectors and equipment tests (South Korea, GANIL)



# Conclusions/Questions

- The INDRA-FAZIA collaboration obtained high-quality experimental data at Fermi Energies to investigate the EOS and the fragment/cluster formation and decay
- Focus on semiperipheral collisions: QP decay and “neck-like” emissions
- Activity at GANIL to be continued next years
- Opportunities given by the RAON and FRIB exotic beams also at suprasaturation density
- Our expertise on sensors and electronics can be shared for new initiatives

## Questions Physics:

- at what extent neck and quasi-spectator emissions are important from 50 to 400MeV/u
- Clusters in dilute systems (core-crust n-star interface): how to progress?

## Questions Detectors:

- how to do a step forward in reac.plane and impact parameter determination?
- How crucial is diagnostics for RIB?

# Spare SLIDES

# INDRA-FAZIA and the regions of the Esym

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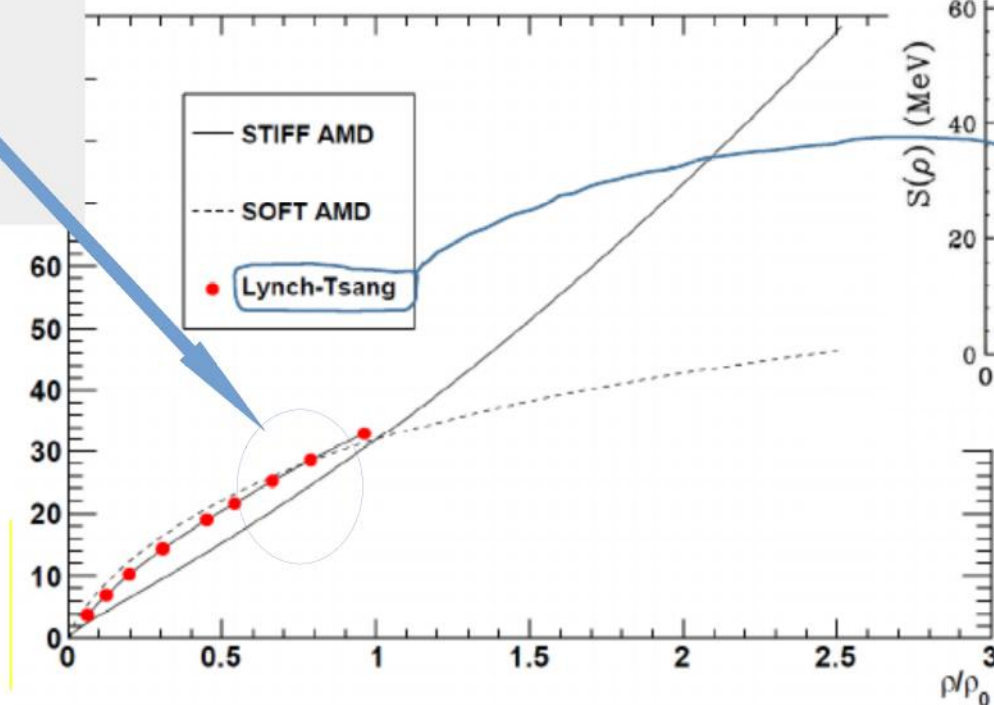
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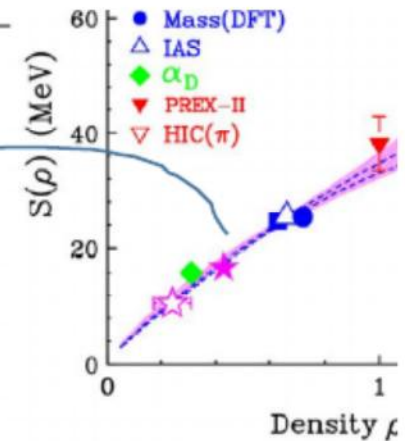
Fragment formation and emissions

PLOT  $L$  vs.  $\rho$  in AMD

The two limiting asy-stiffness choices



PL B 830 2022



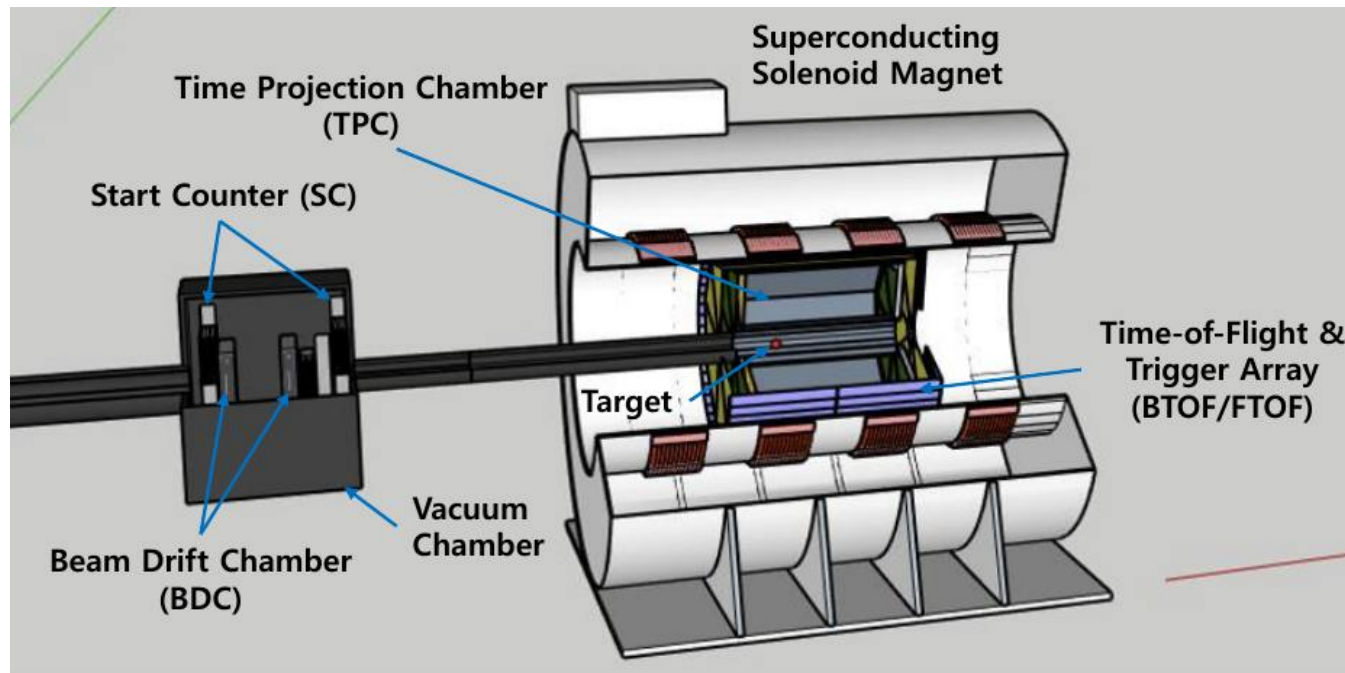
**Findings by our experiments** (based on average  $N/Z$  of fragments and 2nd moments)

- slight sensitivity to the Esym stiffness, at least within AMD
- weak overall tension toward a stiff choice but we are observing processes over a wide impact parameter range and it is difficult to define the region of density competing to the different bins.

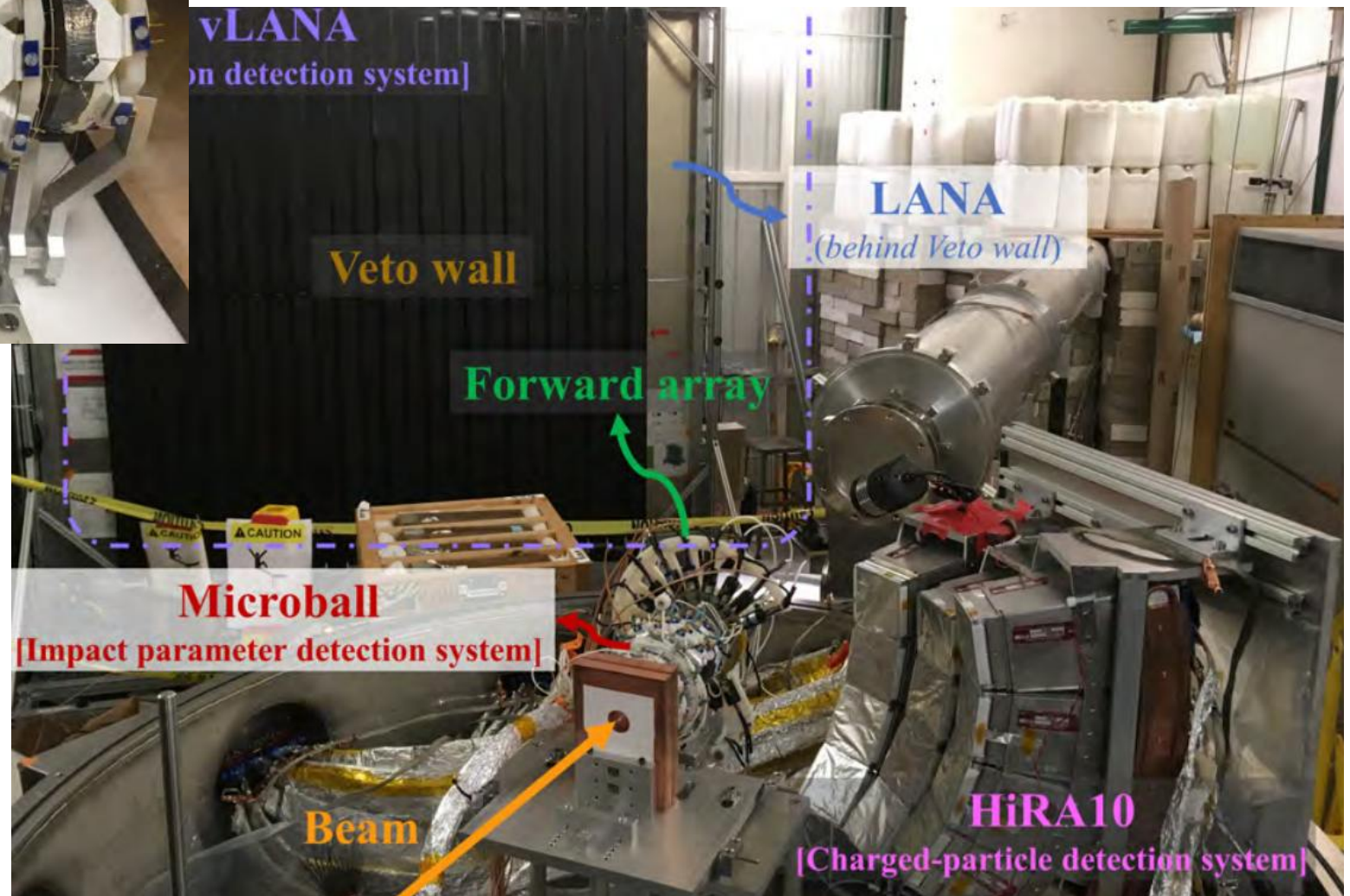
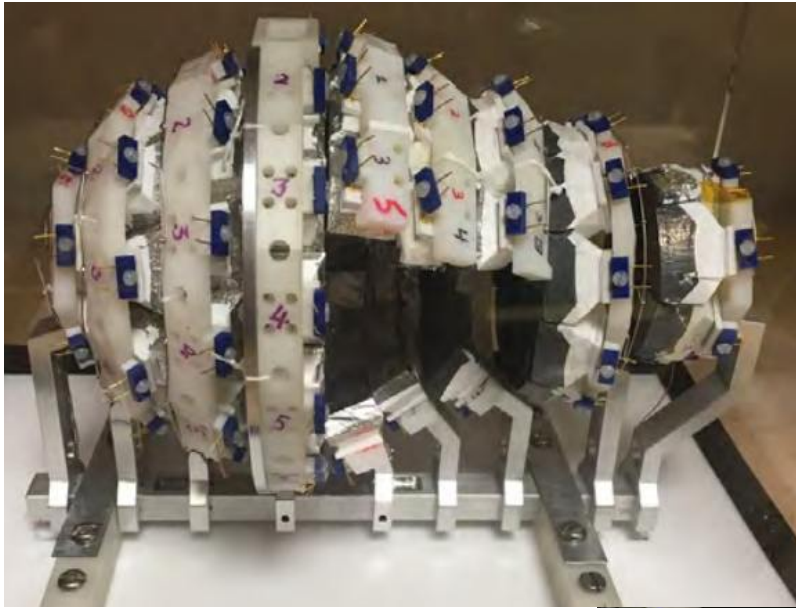
# RAON: The high energy SECTOR

## Large Acceptance Multi-Purpose Spectrometer

- Beam energies up to 250 MeV/u for  $^{132}\text{Sn}$  with an intensity as large as  $10^8$  pps
- Comprehensive detector system to investigate the nuclear equation of state (EoS) and symmetry energy
- All detector components and magnet were already developed, manufactured, and assembled.
- Integration and commissioning of the whole LAMPS system is being planned at the end of 2023.

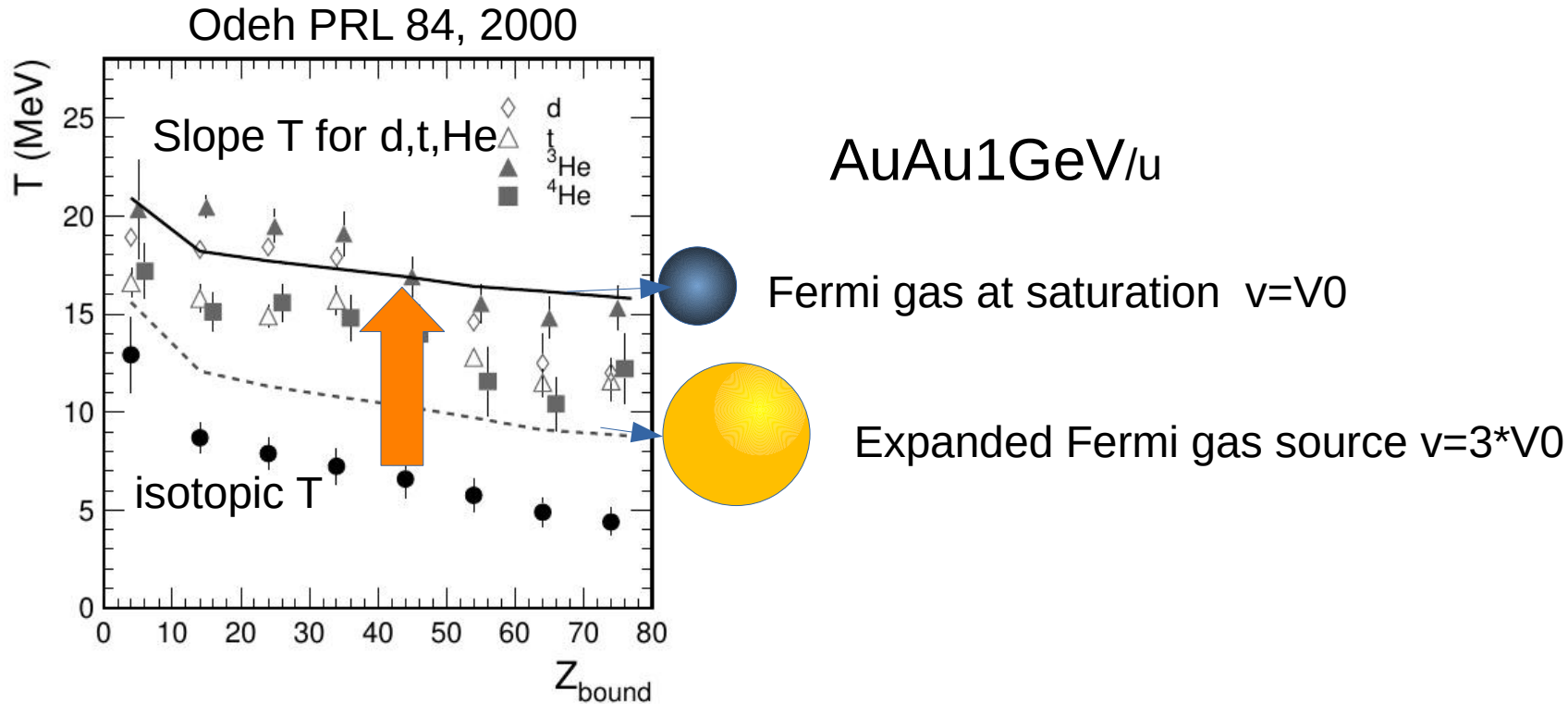


Set Up used in E15190 (2018)  
Ca+Ni, Sn isotopes 56, 140 MeV/u stable beams





# Some questions about thermal features in spectator fragmentation



The disagreement between Slope  $T$  and Isotopic  $T$  can originate from the contribution of Fermi motion in early life of spectator fragments (depending on density)

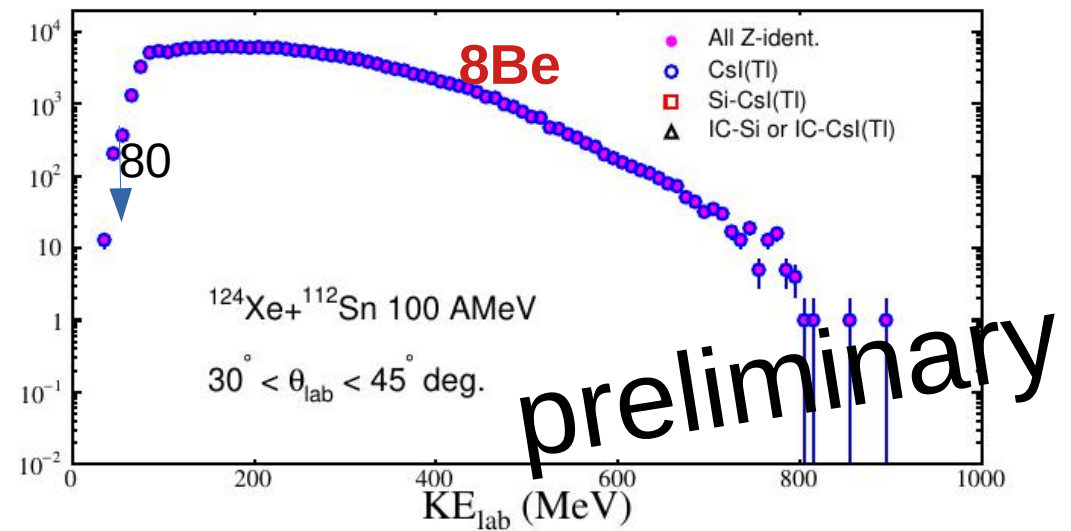
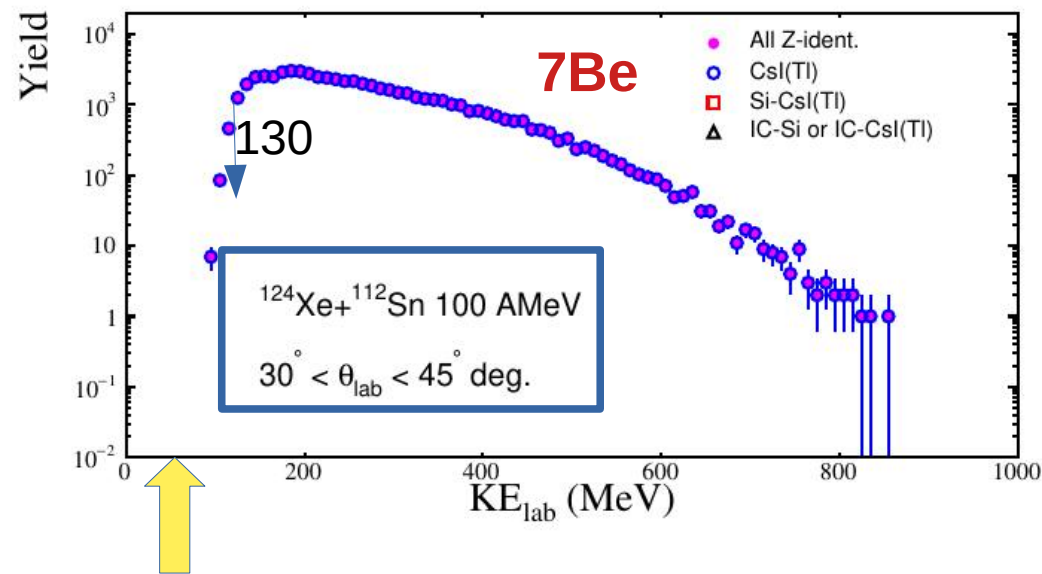
## OPEN POINTS

Never checked with fragments

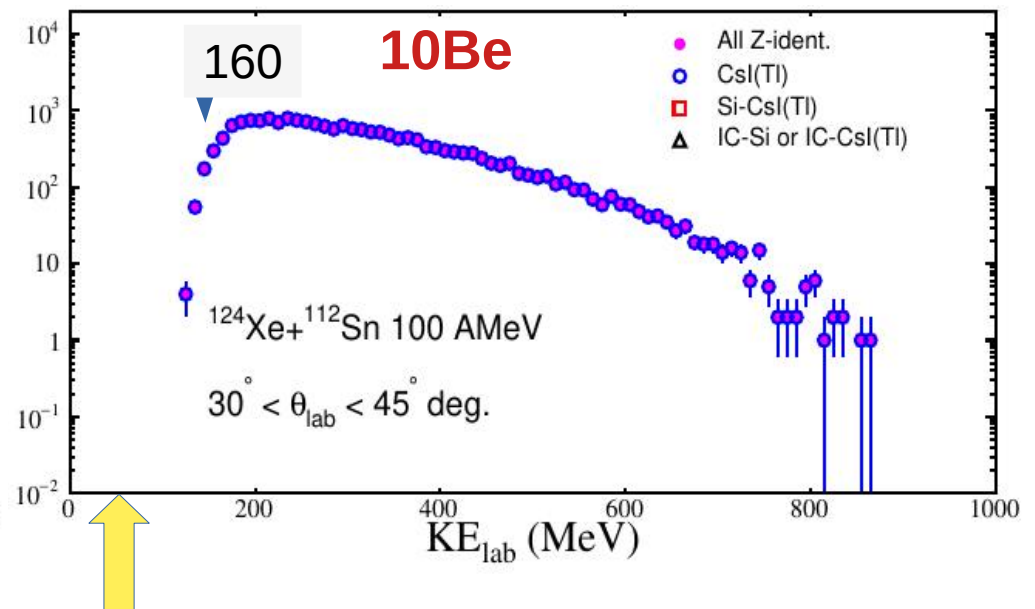
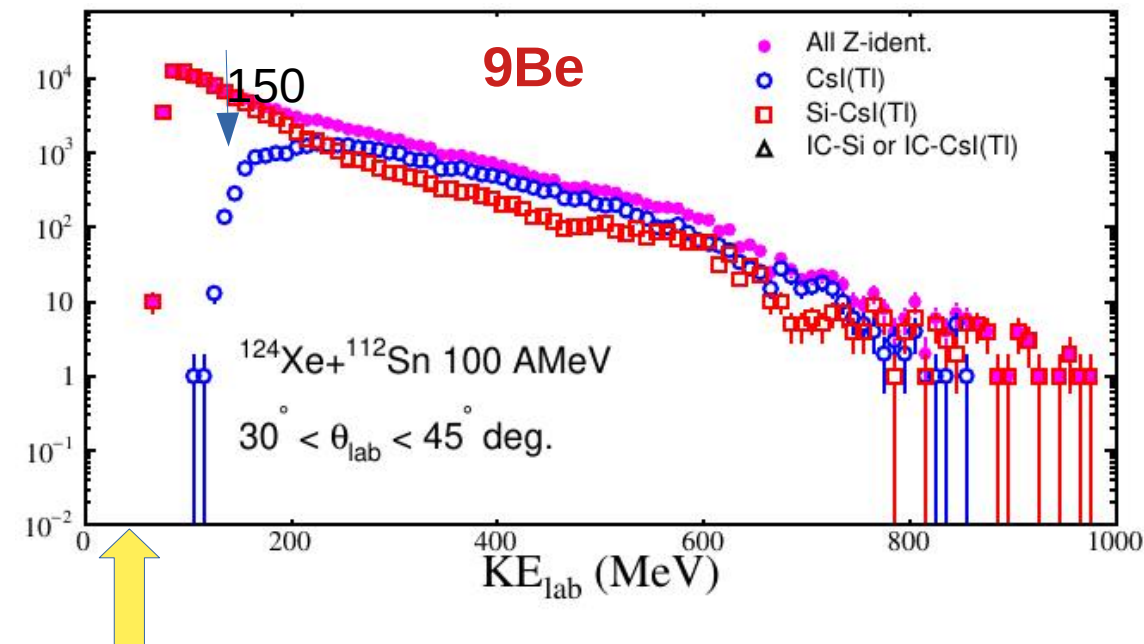
Collective contribution not clarified

New insights about n-rich nuclei multifragmentation

# About target-spect fragments: Compare old INDRA IMF data (GSI campaign)



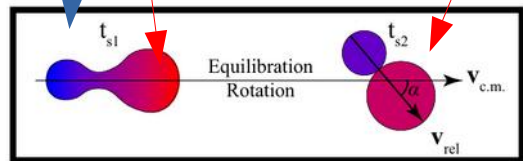
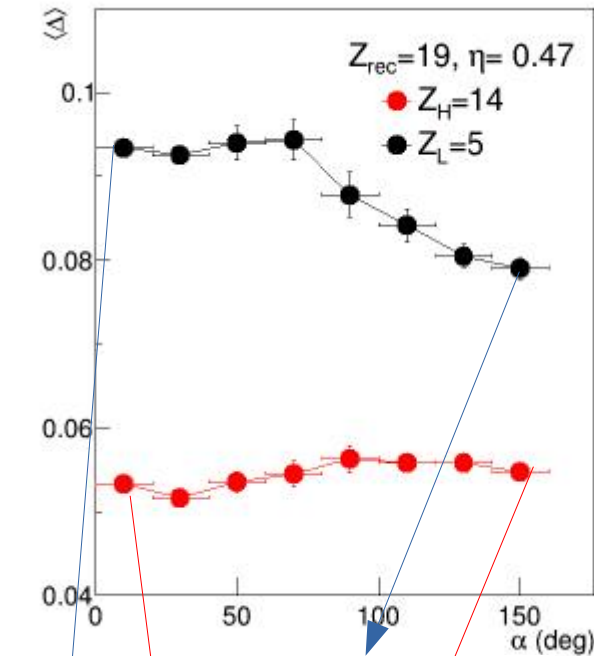
Yellow arrow: thresholds for Be in FAZIA  $Z_{\text{th}}=14$  MeV  $A_{\text{th}}$  around 30 MeV



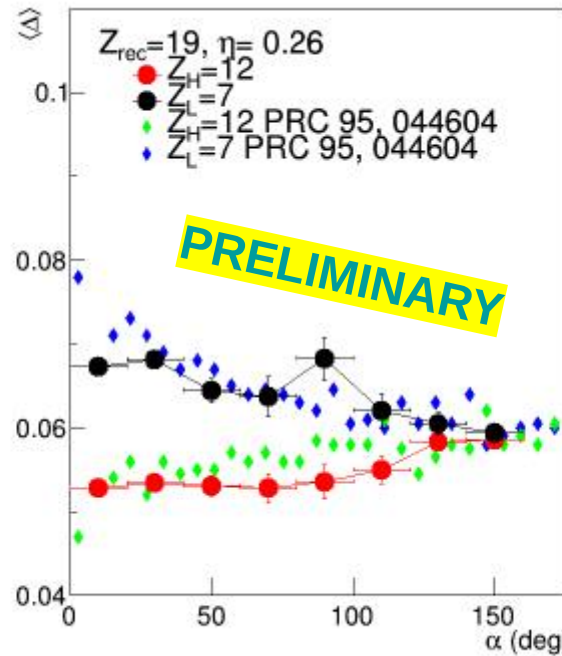
# On going BU studies

- Observables: n-content of both BU-fragments from QP (Ni-like)
- Confirmed exp results (US group) about trends in Zn+Zn
- Doubts on interpretation... further proposals at Ganil PAC

$58,64\text{Ni} + 58,64\text{Ni}$

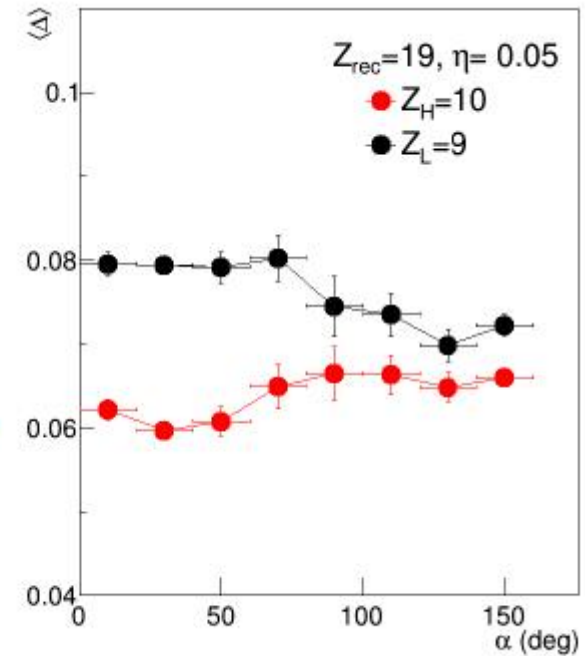


Aymmetric split



C. Ciampi PhD Thesis 2022  
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Small symbols: Rodriguez-Manso PRC 95 2017

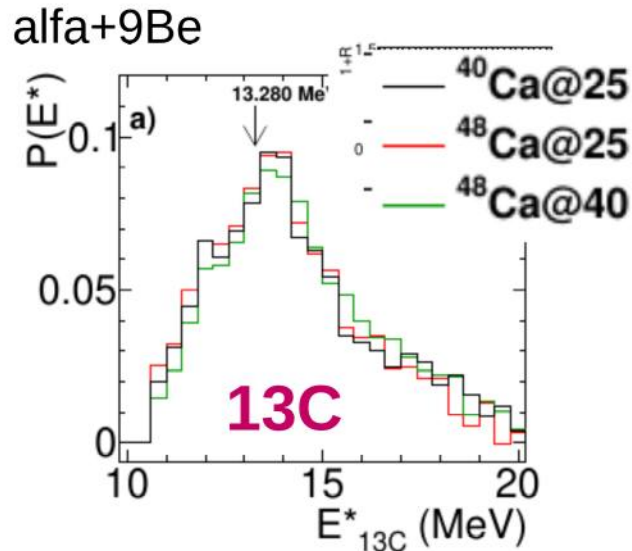
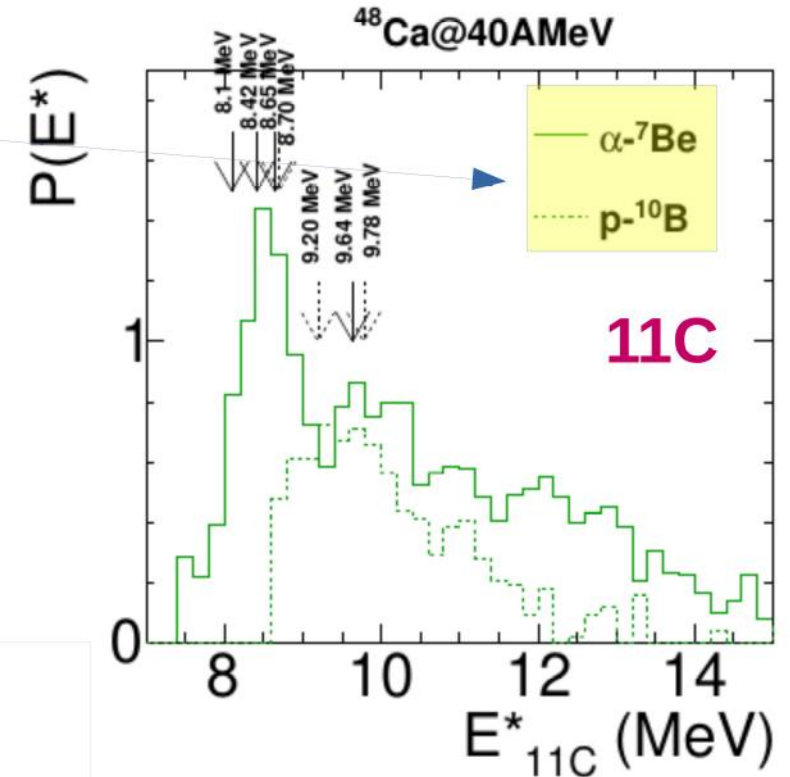
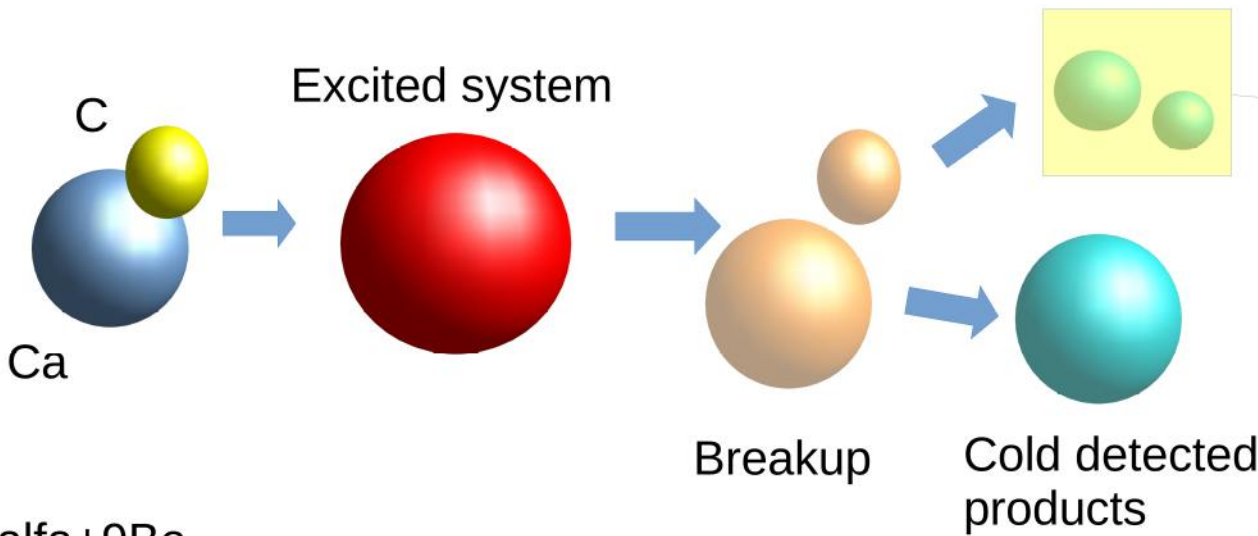


Symmetric split

# FAZIA for decay resonances

- Checked the fair capability of FAZIA as a correlator due to its granularity ( $\Delta\theta = \pm 0.6^\circ$  a 1m)
- Particle-fragments correlation studies

S. Piantelli PRC 106 2023



- Phase space analogy for detected cold and resonant BU fragments
- Same BU process as origin
- Further studies to more quantitative results

$E^*$  spectrum of  $^{11}\text{C}$  reconstructed via two different decay channels