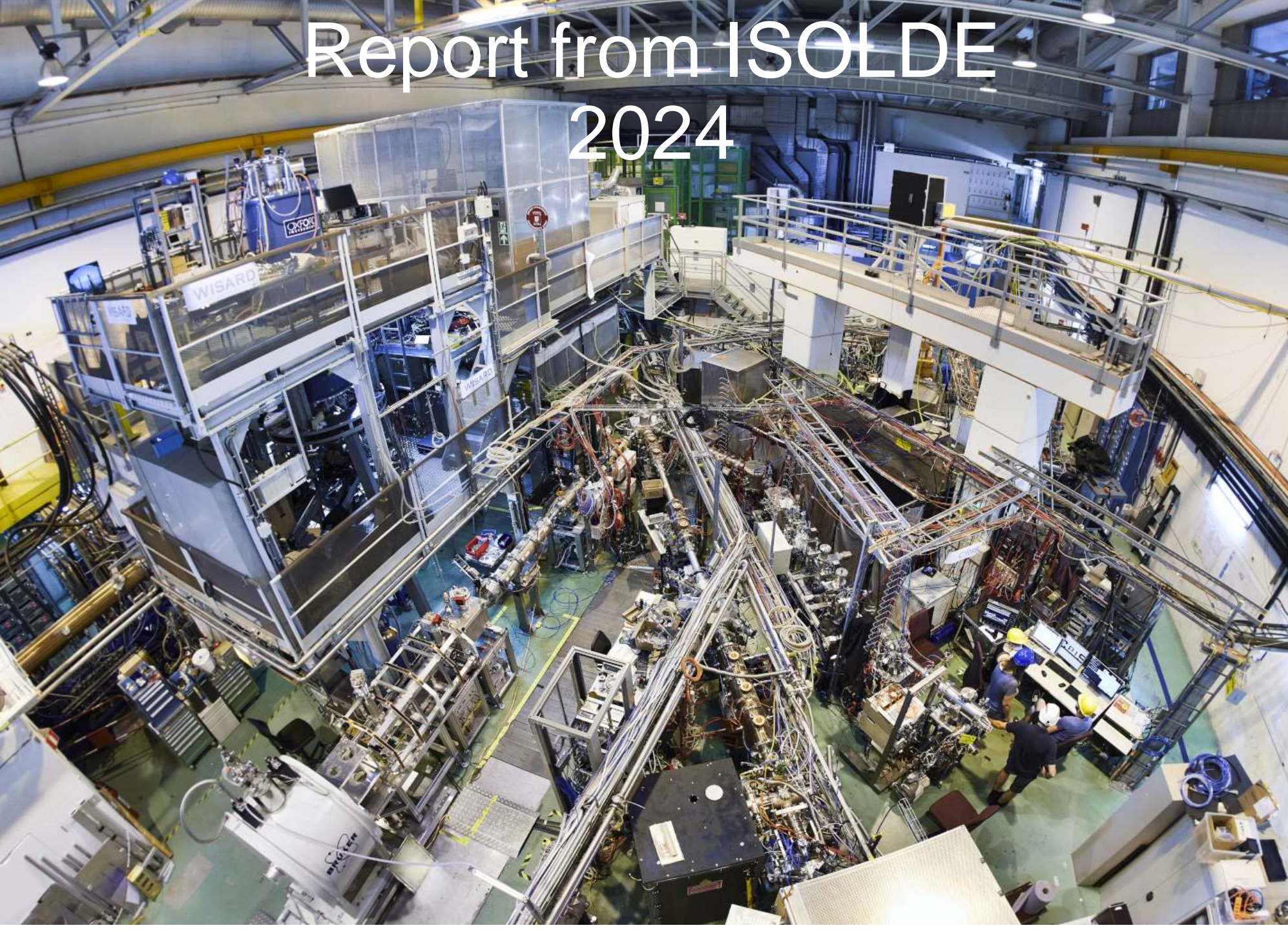


# Report from ISOLDE 2024



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# ISOLDE 2024



- Delivered beams to around 50 INTC Proposals and Letters of Intent, including 9 HIE-ISOLDE experiments.
- More than 420 shifts for physics and machine development.
- Plenty of interesting science...

1716 visitors toured  
with 231 guides



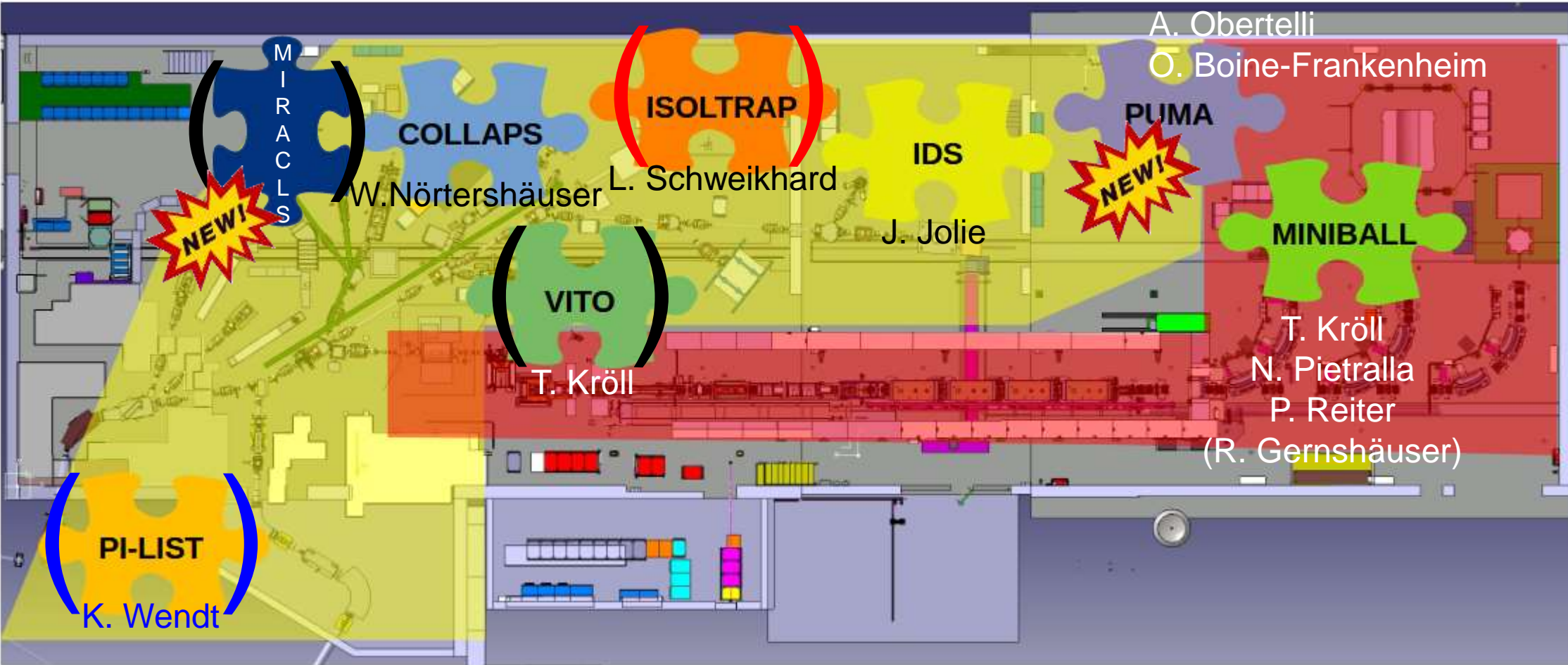
# ISOLDE – German Participation and BMBF Funding



Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung

„Low-energy ISOLDE“

„High-energy ISOLDE“



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( ) Retired

( ) No Application for Funding

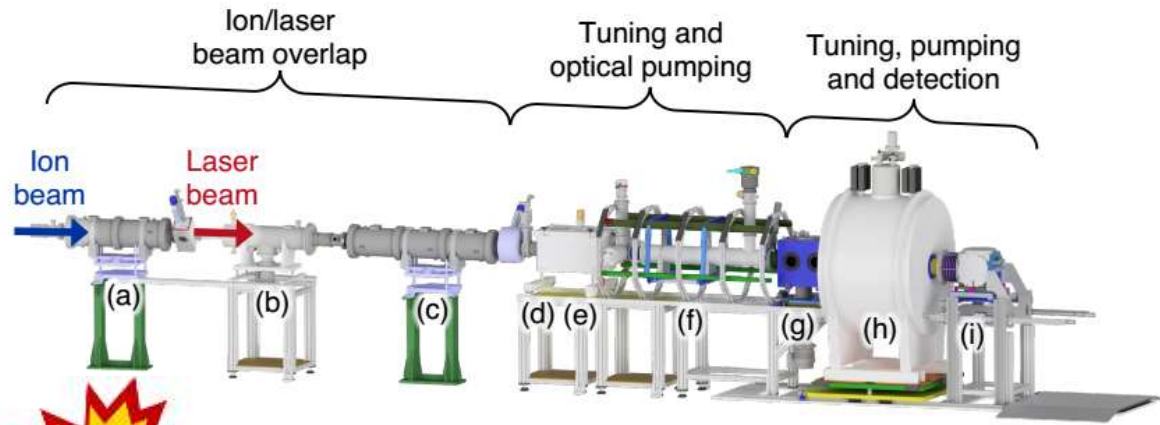
( ) No BMBF Funding in 2024-2027



## VITO $\beta$ -NMR beam line at ISOLDE



Two-dimensional analysis  
and fit of time-resolved  
 $\beta$ -decay asymmetry  
(radioactive  $^{47}\text{K}$  implanted in ionic liquid)



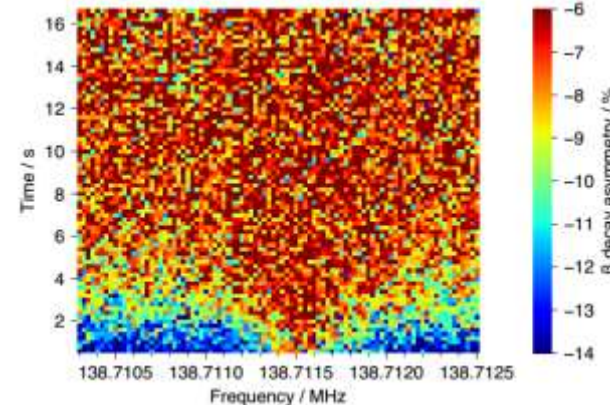
Implementation of new digital  
DAQ

Magnetic moment of  $^{47}\text{K}$

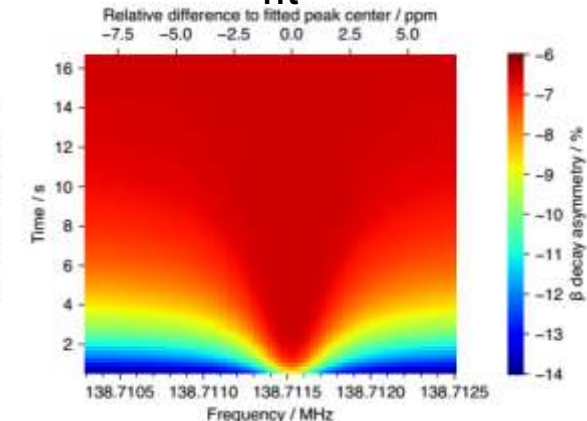
$$\mu_I(^{47}\text{K}) = 1.936\,182(19)\mu_N$$

- two orders of improvement in precision
- hyperfine anomaly (Bohr-Weisskopf effect)
- ... to be published

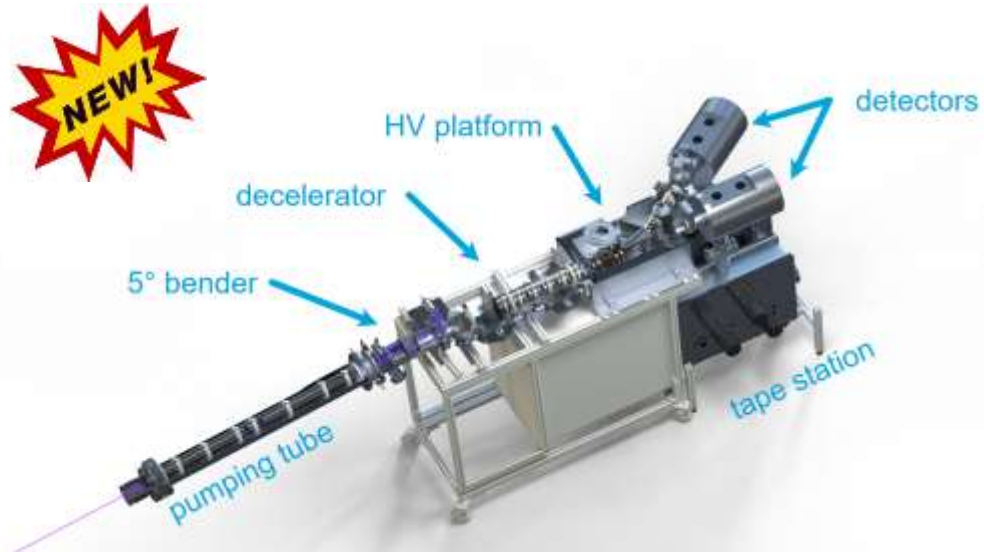
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fit



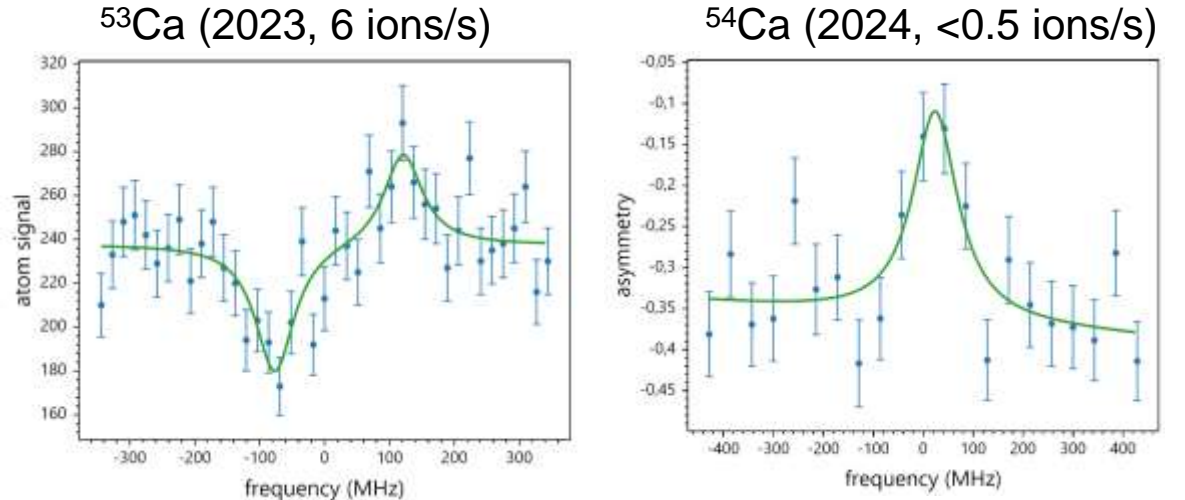
**M. Jankowski**, Doctoral Thesis (TU Darmstadt, 2024)  
**M. Jankowski**, M. Kowalska et al., *Fully upgraded  $\beta$ -NMR setup at ISOLDE for high-precision high-field studies*; submitted to *Physica Scripta*

Newly implemented ROC setup at 

- new beamline
- new tape stations
- new DAQ

+ new test stand for “offline“ trouble shooting

→ Sensitivity record for collinear laser spectroscopy!



- extracted magnetic dipole moment and charge radii
- clear indications of  $N = 32$  subshell closure

T. Lellinger, Doctoral Thesis (TU Darmstadt, 2024)

Publication in preparation...

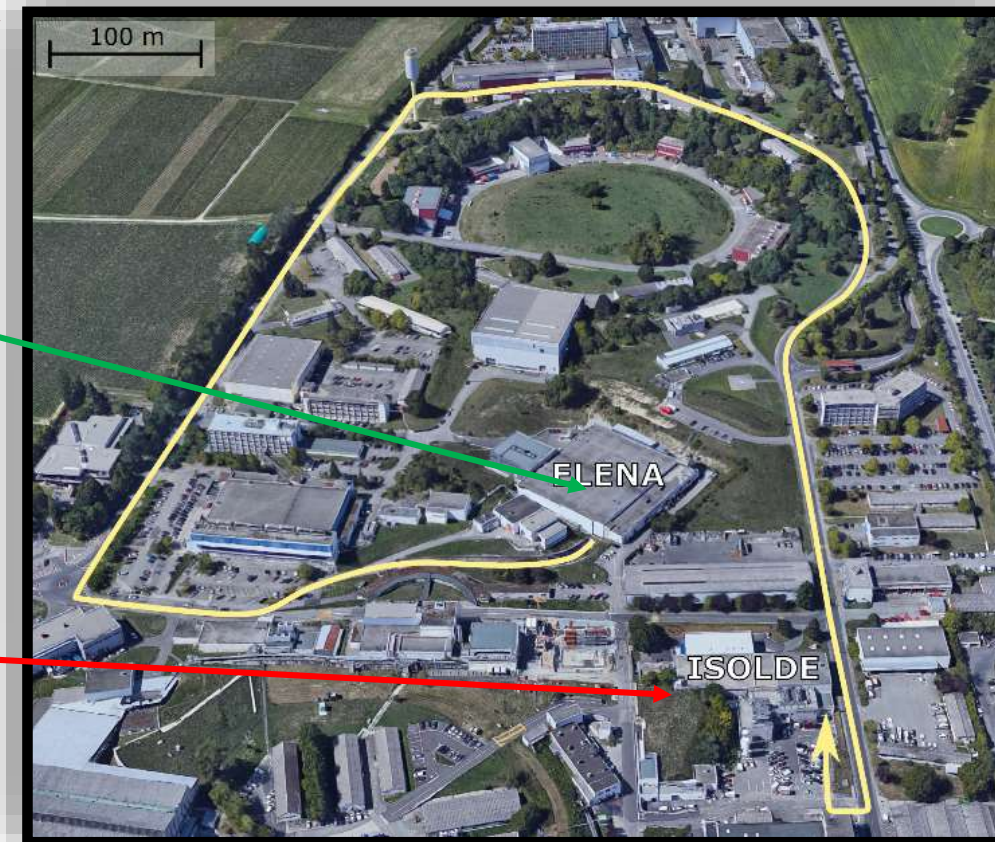
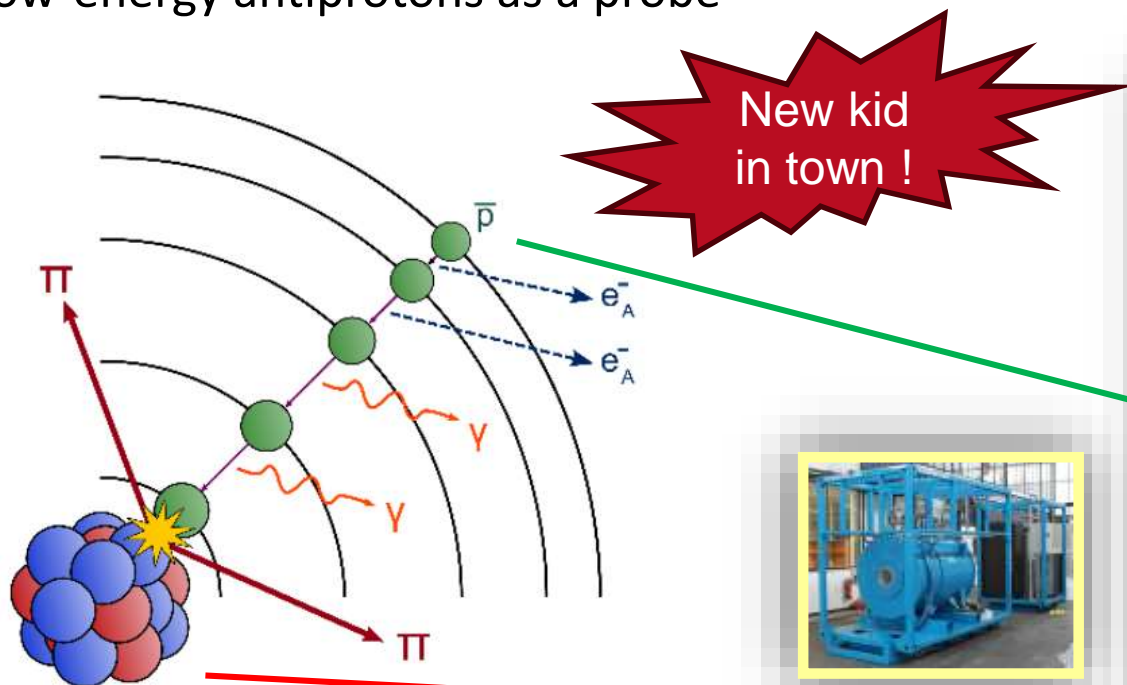
**Wolfgang-Gentner-Stipends currently suspended**  
**Very successful program that needs to be revived!**

# antiProton Unstable Matter Annihilation (PUMA)



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Technique: Low-energy antiprotons as a probe



PUMA aims to:

1. Provide new nuclear observable  $R$
2. Characterize nuclear density tails (skins, halos, ...)
3. Find new  $p$  and  $n$  halos
4. Understand development of  $n$ -skins



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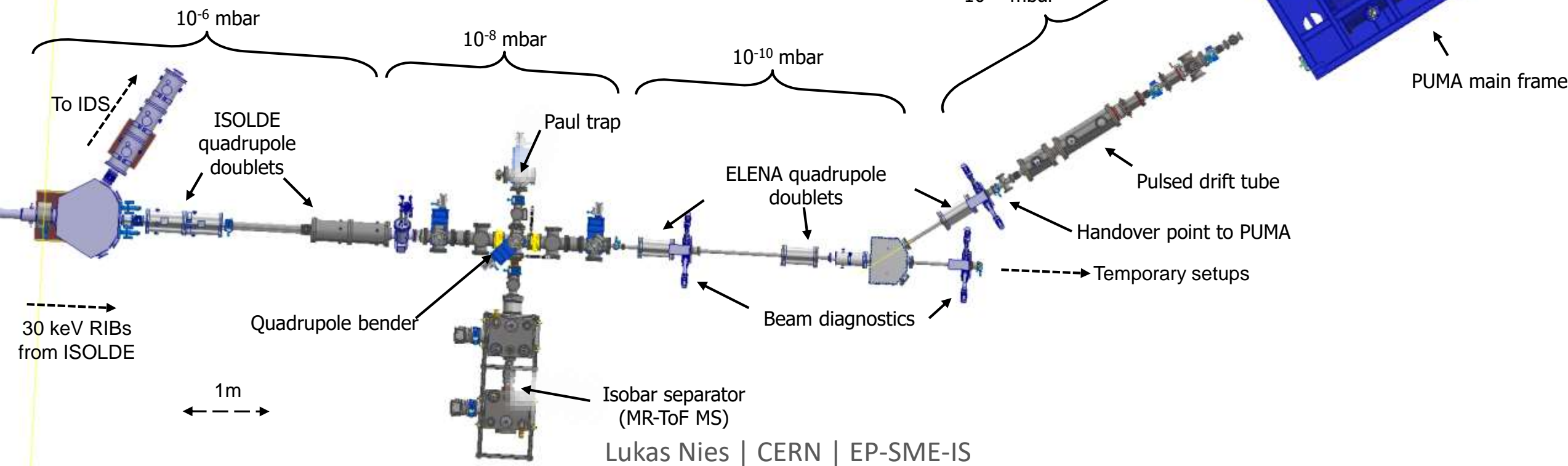
# antiProton Unstable Matter Annihilation (PUMA)

## New Transfer Beamline at ISOLDE



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- **Isobaric separation** with resolving powers  $M/\Delta M > 100,000$  in only a few milliseconds
- **Ultra-high vacuum** with  $< 10^{-10}$  mbar at hand-over-point
- **Higher throughput** predicted as compared to other multi-reflection separators
- Possibility of **back-extraction** into central beamline
- **Beam identification** studies for target and ion source developments
- **Collection** of samples benefiting from high flux and high separation powers
- **Temporary experiments** requiring  $< 10^{-10}$  mbar vacuum
- Installation and commissioning planned for 2025



# Nuclear Physics Studies through Mass Spectrometry

Highlights of 2023/2024

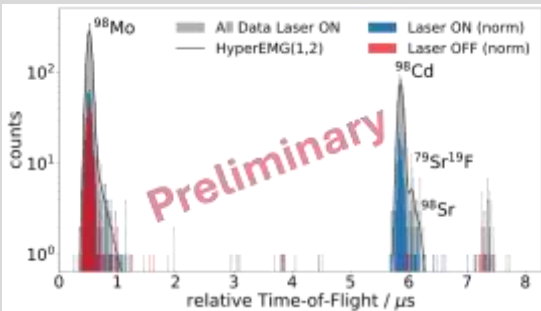
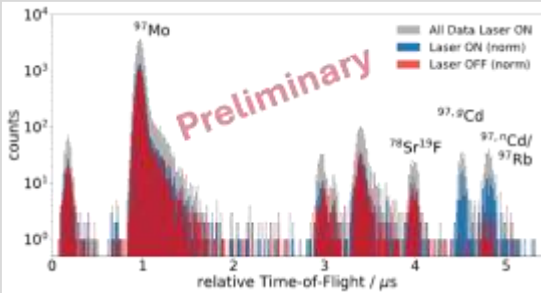


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 for the **ISOLTRAP collaboration**

## Closing in on $^{100}\text{Sn}$ : Investigation of shell evolution near doubly-magic nuclei

- First direct measurement of  $^{97}\text{gs,nCd}$  and high-statistics measurement of  $^{98}\text{Cd}$
- yields new data point for single-neutron binding energy at  $N=50$

D. Lange et al., in preparation



L. Nies et al., submitted to PRC (2024)

## Actinide Studies with LISA

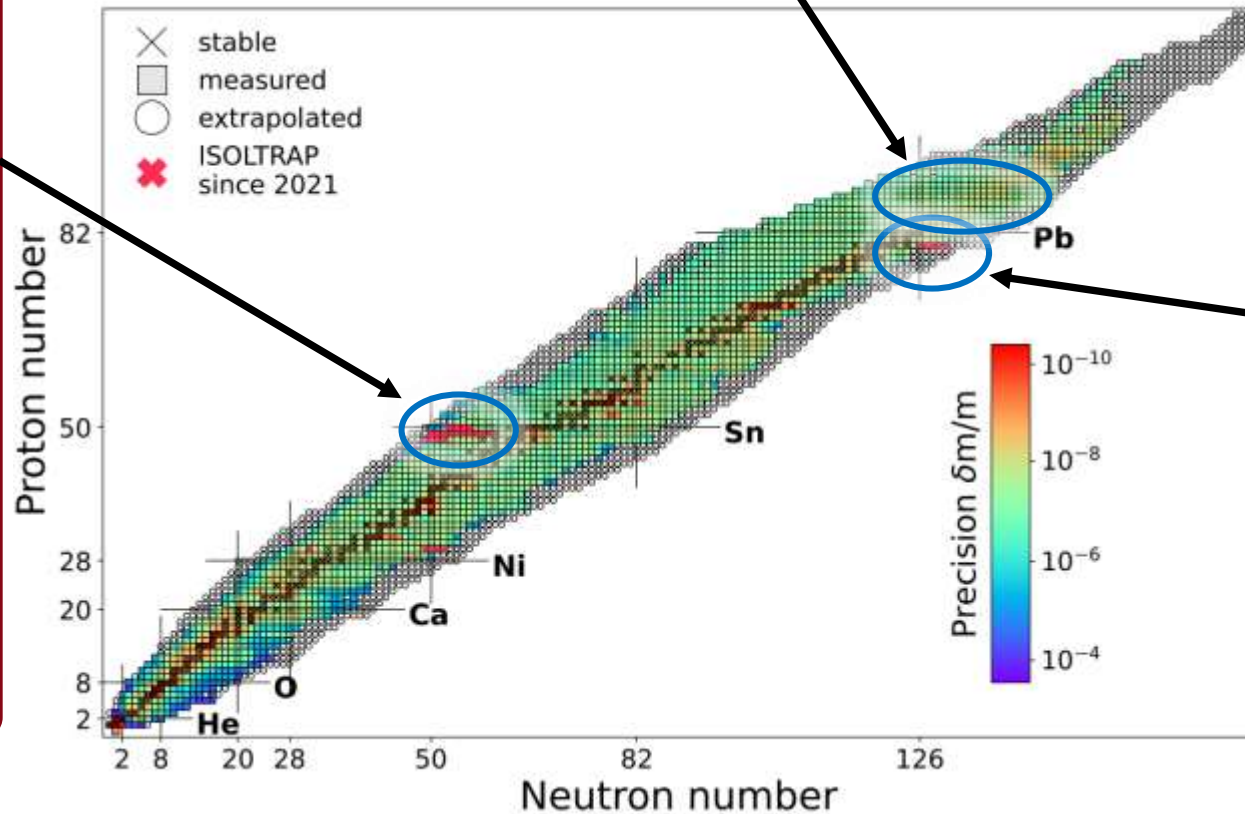
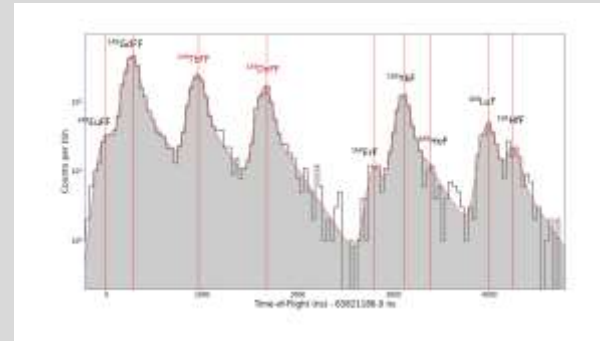
- Production and extraction of  $^{225}\text{AcFF}$  for medical applications

M. Au et al., J. Radioanal. Nucl. Chem. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10967-024-09811-0> (2024)

## Molecular beams of lanthanides

- Production and extraction of  $^{149,152,155}\text{TbFF}$  for medical applications - co-collection of the parent (Dy) and easier to manage/handle contaminants

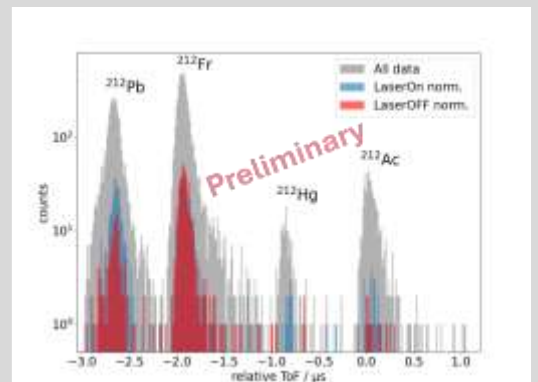
Wojtaczka, W. et al., in preparation



## First ever mass measurements of n-rich mercury isotopes

$^{209}\text{Hg}$ ,  $^{210}\text{Hg}$ ,  $^{212}\text{Hg}$  for investigation of the average p-n interaction ( $\delta V_{pn}$ ) close to doubly-magic  $^{208}\text{Pb}$

D. Lange et al., in preparation





# Nuclear Physics Studies through Mass Spectrometry

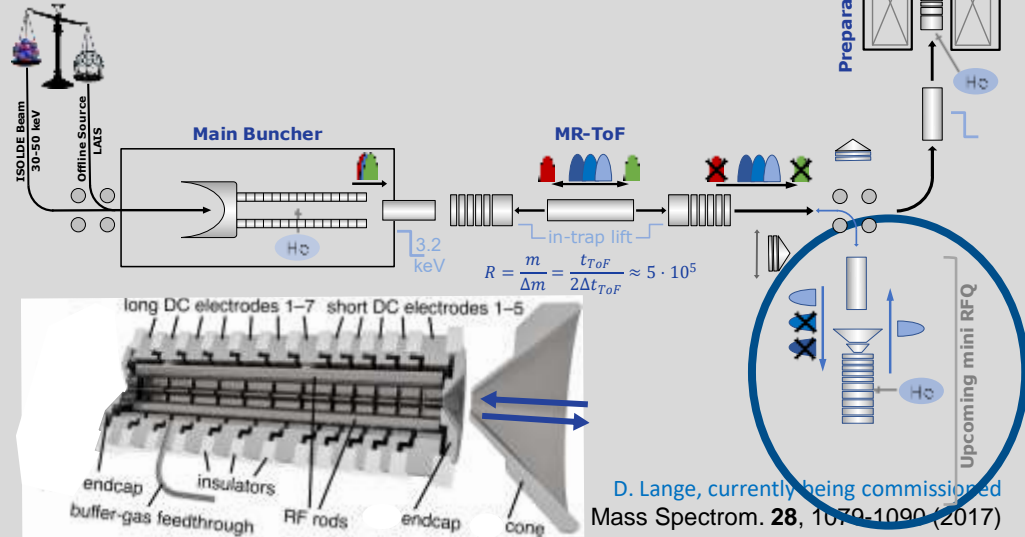
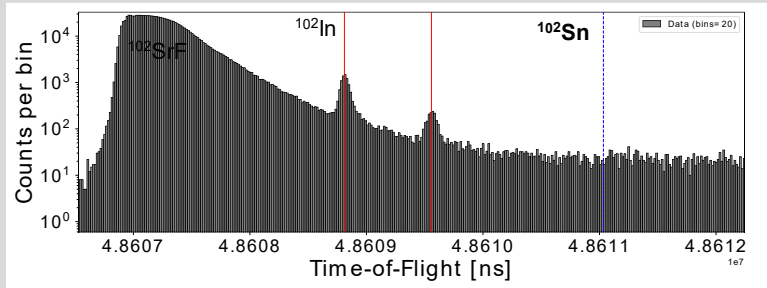
Developments in 2024/2025



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## Mass selective retrapping

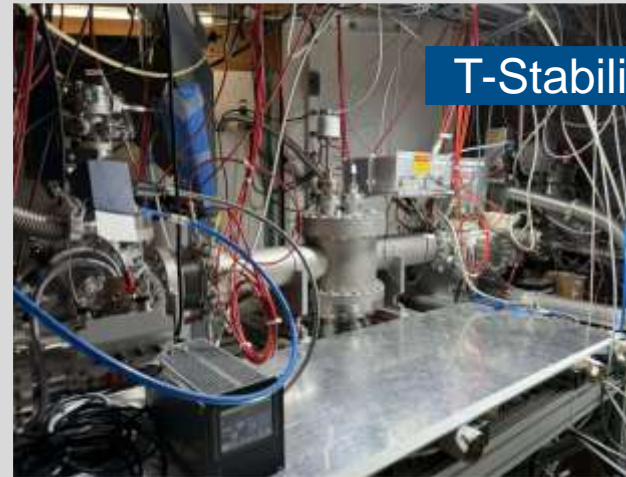
- Measurement in the  $^{100}\text{Sn}$  region have shown strong contamination (e.g. SrF)
- New miniRFQ allows mass-selective retrapping and background suppression [1]



## Temperature stabilization of the MR-ToF device

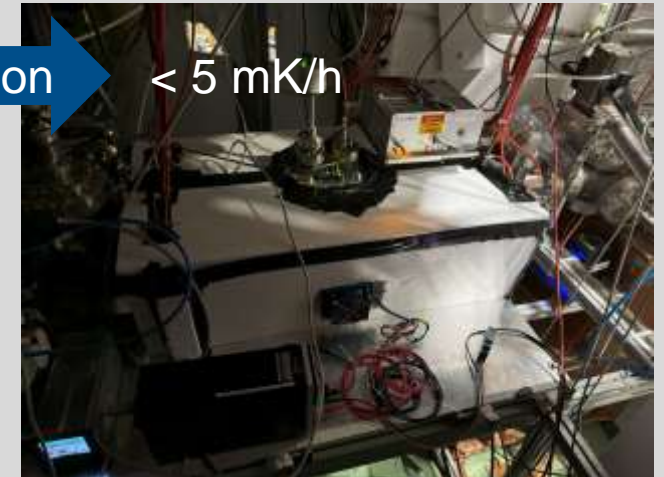
- Drift of the ToFs of the ions is observed which is correlated with changes of the temperature in the surrounding laboratory
- Stability crucial for the identification of ions and for low-yield cases where to ToF cannot be corrected
- Development of a temperature stabilization system for the vacuum chamber (see picture below) and for the active voltage stabilization system [2] based on Peltier elements and a PID loop

F. Mehlhorn, BSc thesis,  
 publication in preparation



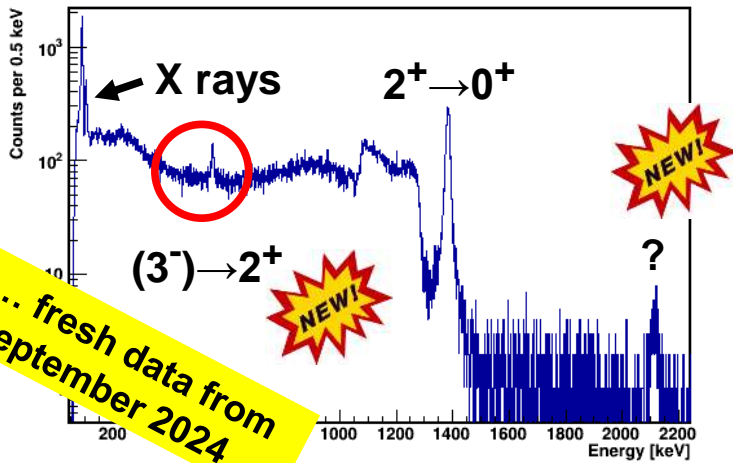
T-Stabilization

< 5 mK/h



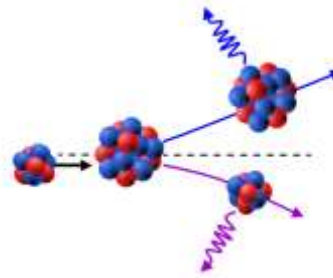
# Exploring the octupole collectivity of nuclei with Miniball

$^{214}\text{Ra}$  on  $^{120}\text{Sn}$  @ 4.5 MeV/u

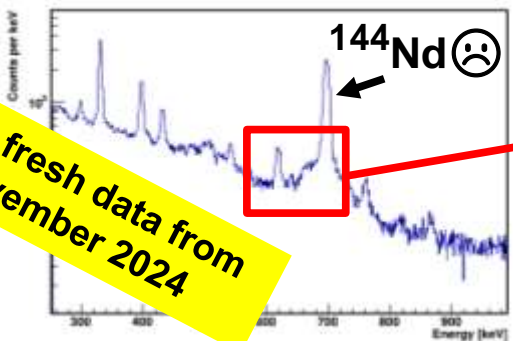


... fresh data from September 2024

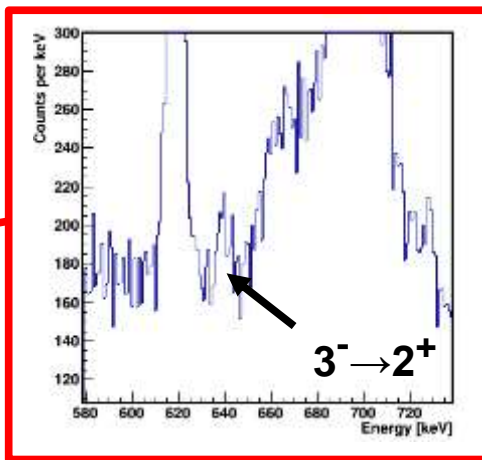
- most of the beams are unique to ISOLDE
- post-acceleration by HIE-ISOLDE
- „safe“ Coulomb excitation sensitive to collective degrees of freedom



$^{144}\text{Ba}$  on  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  @ 4.2 MeV/u



... fresh data from November 2024



- high-resolution  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy with Miniball (refurbished and equipped with new DAQ in 2022)

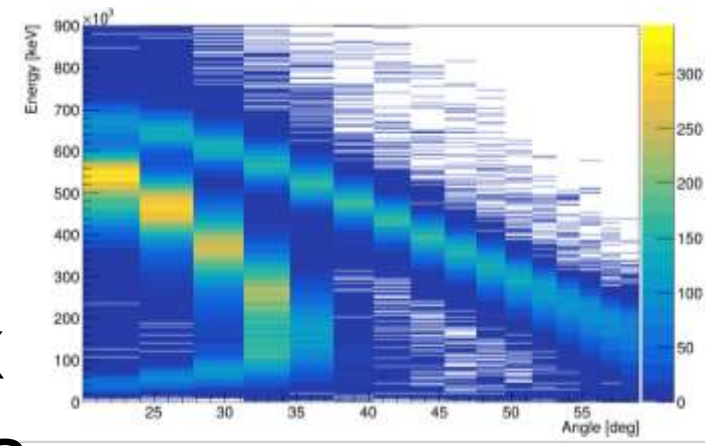


# Coulomb excitation @HIE-ISOLDE

## Gamma-ray spectroscopy with Miniball



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# CoulEx of $^{142}\text{Sm}$

Shell stabilization in  $N = 80$  isotones for  $Z \leq 58$

G. Rainovski *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 122501 (2006)

→ search for  $2_{1,ms}^+$  for  $Z > 58$

$^{142}\text{Sm}$  accessible through CoulEx only with radioactive ion beam

→ ISOLDE

$2_3^+$  identified as  $2_{1,ms}^+$  through

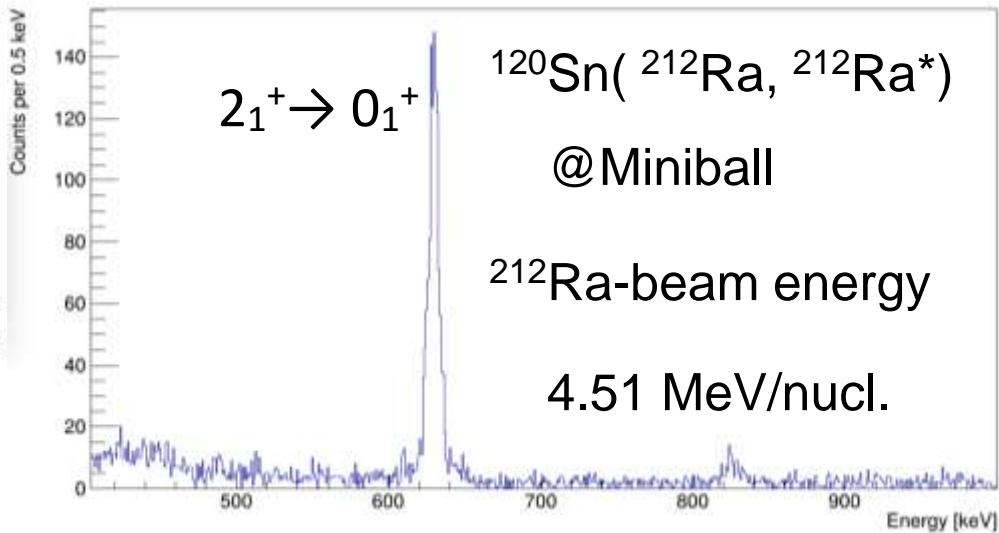
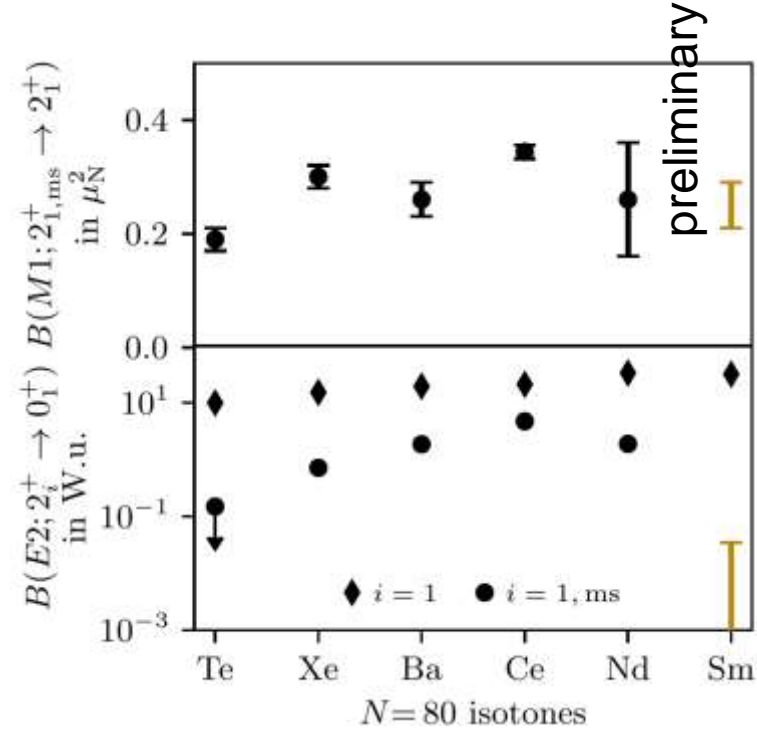
$$B(M1) \approx 0.25 \mu_N^2$$

Preliminary

Submission in preparation by T.Stetz

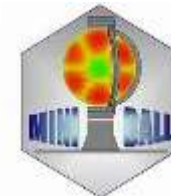
# CoulEx of $^{212}\text{Ra}$

- Active research, beam time 09/24
- Goal: Obtain unknown  $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$
- Validation of seniority scheme in  $N=124$

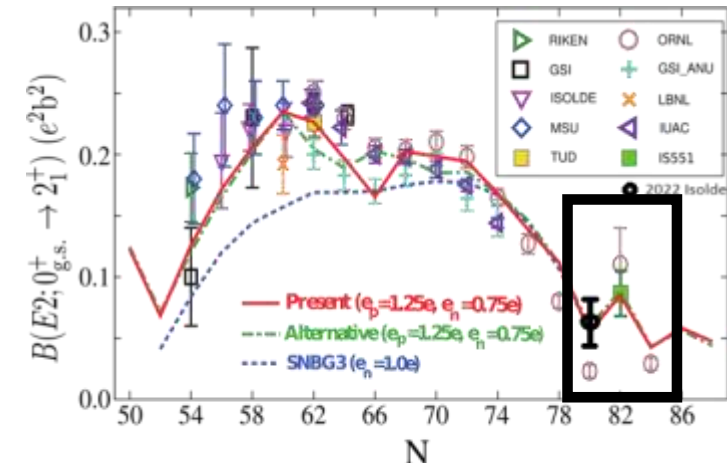
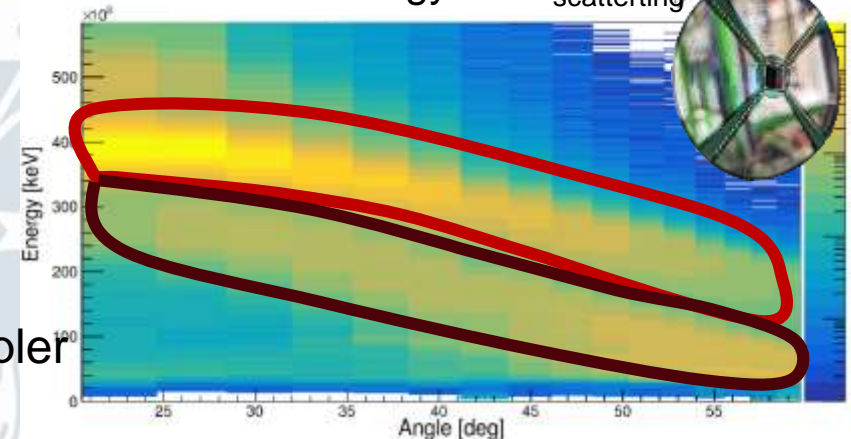




# Coulomb excitation of $^{130}\text{Sn}$ with Miniball at ISOLDE



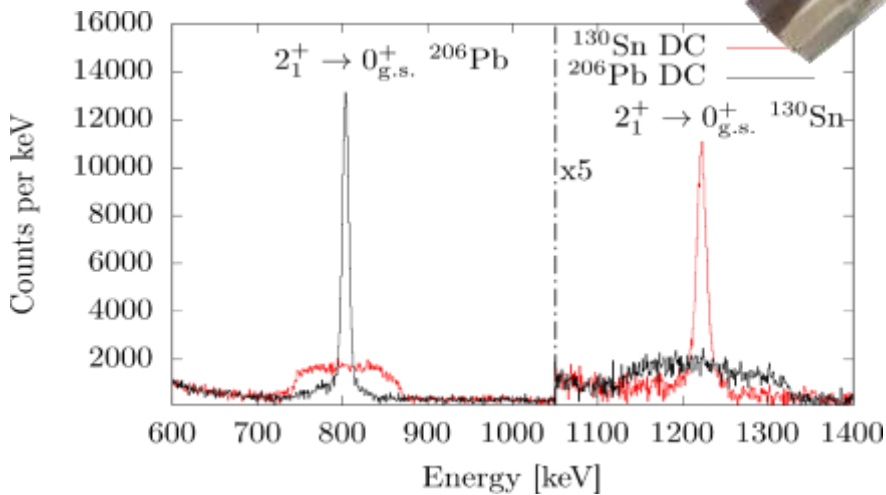
Particle energy vs.  $\theta_{\text{scattering}}$



Doubly-magic character of  $^{132}\text{Sn}$   
confirmed by Cologne group of D.  
Rosiak, *et al.* [1]  
Discrepancy around double magic  
 $^{132}\text{Sn}$  unresolved [2]

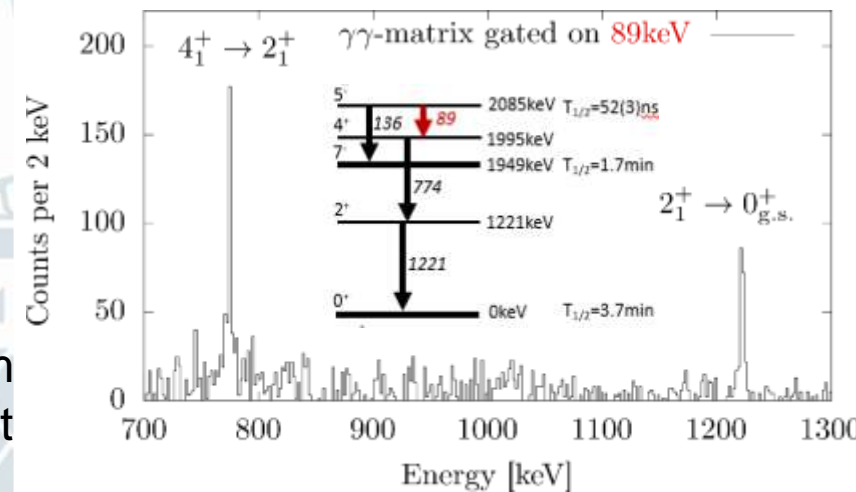
Particle gate allows for Doppler  
correction of  $\gamma$  rays

Doppler-corrected  $\gamma$  ray spectra (Miniball)



**$I(2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)_{130\text{Sn}} = 31500$  counts**  
→ Accurate experimental shell-  
structure information of  $2^+$  state

**Coulomb excitation of  $7^-$   
isomer** from second  $^{130}\text{Sn}$  beam  
component observed for the first  
time in RIB experiment



[1]  $^{132}\text{Sn}$  value by D. Rosiak, P. Reiter *et al.*; Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 252501 (2018)

[2] T. Togashi; Y. Tsunoda; T. Otsuka; N. Shimizu; M. Honma; Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 062501 (2018)

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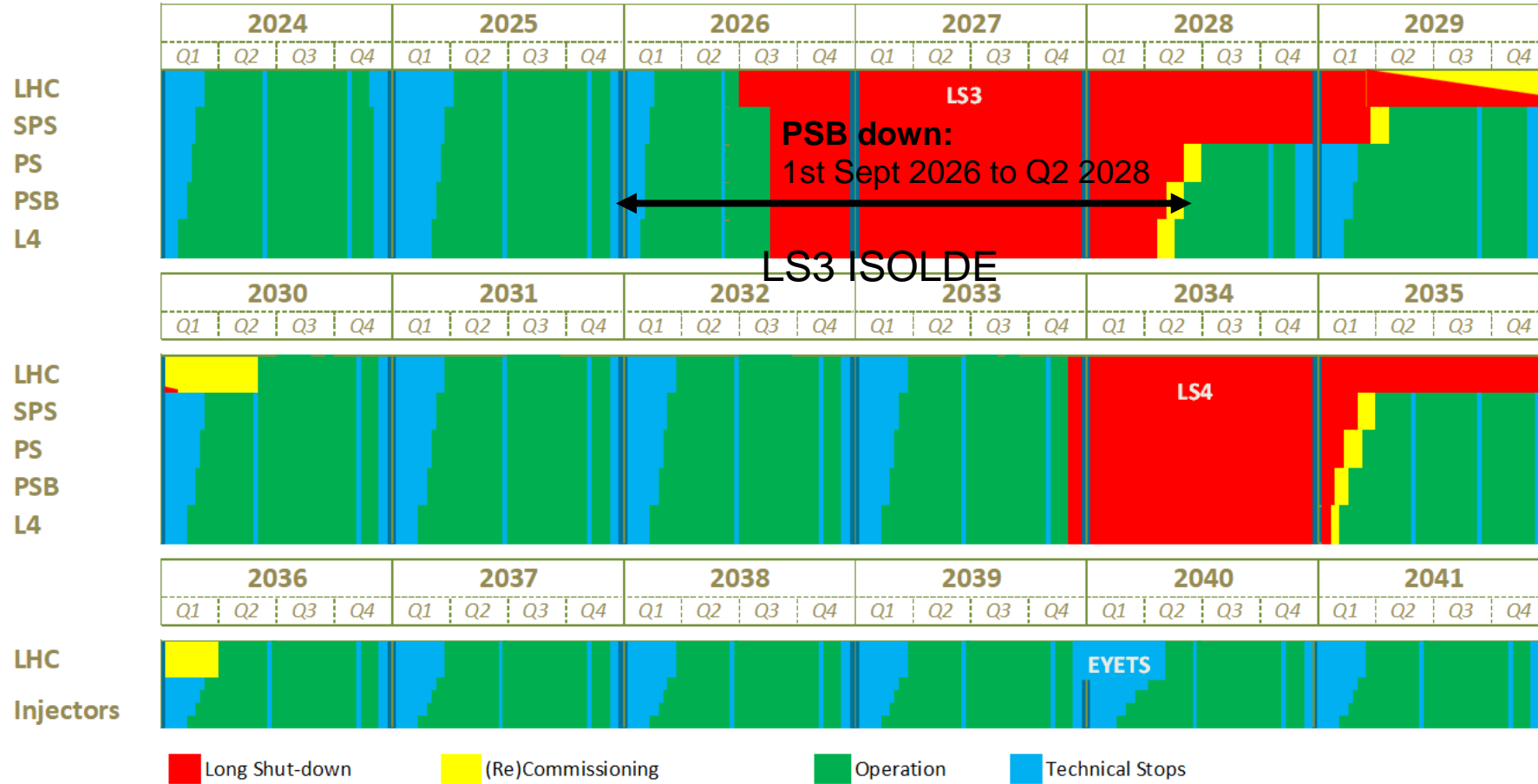
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# Long-term schedule for accelerator complex

(version 5th Nov 2024- still needs final approval )



LS3  
ISOLDE  
Upgrade

Beam Dump Replacement (24M ↔ 19 M PSB)  
Begin of upgrade for 2 GeV operation  
Planning of RILIS laboratory upgrade  
Central beam line pulsing and beam gates  
ISCOOL Improvements

REXTRAP Improvements  
REX-ISOLDE Power Amplifiers Replacement  
Repair of 9GP RF Structure  
Cryo Module 1 Refurbishment



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