



Towards the Therapeutical Applications of ^{15}O

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Quasi-real-time range monitoring: Why 150?

Quasi-real-time range Monitoring

Range verification

- Achieved with the lowest possible dose as early as possible
- Availability of therapeutic-quality beam intensity and purity

Beam intensity

→ Production cross section

$^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Be}$

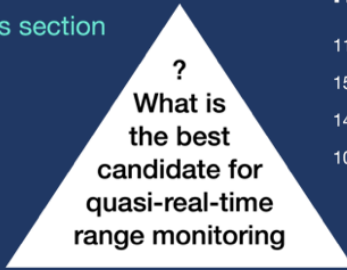
• ^{15}C : 43 mb

• ^{15}C : 1.2 mb

$^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \text{Be}$

• ^{11}C : 46.7 mb

• ^{10}C : 4.3 mb



Beam pulse time structure

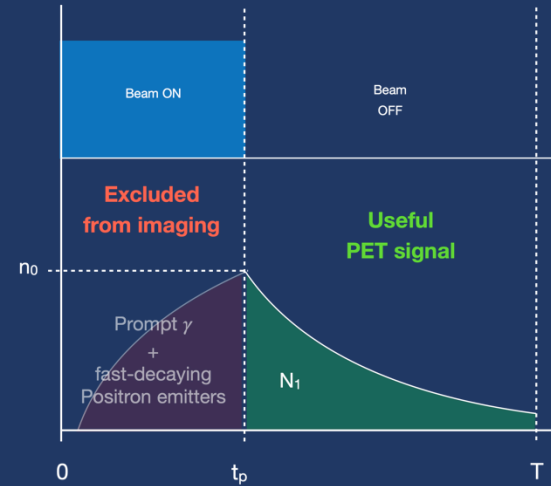
Half life

^{11}C : ~ 20 min

^{15}O : ~ 2 min

^{14}O : ~ 1.2 min

^{10}C : ~ 0.3 min



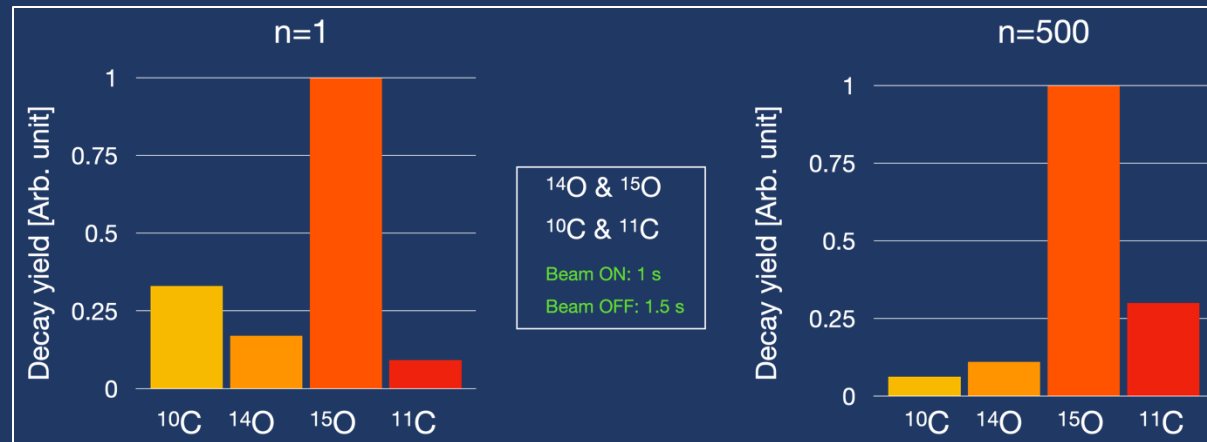
Coincidence event yield during the beam pause

After 1 implantation cycle

$$N_1 \propto n_0 \left[1 - e^{-\lambda(T-t_p)} \right]$$

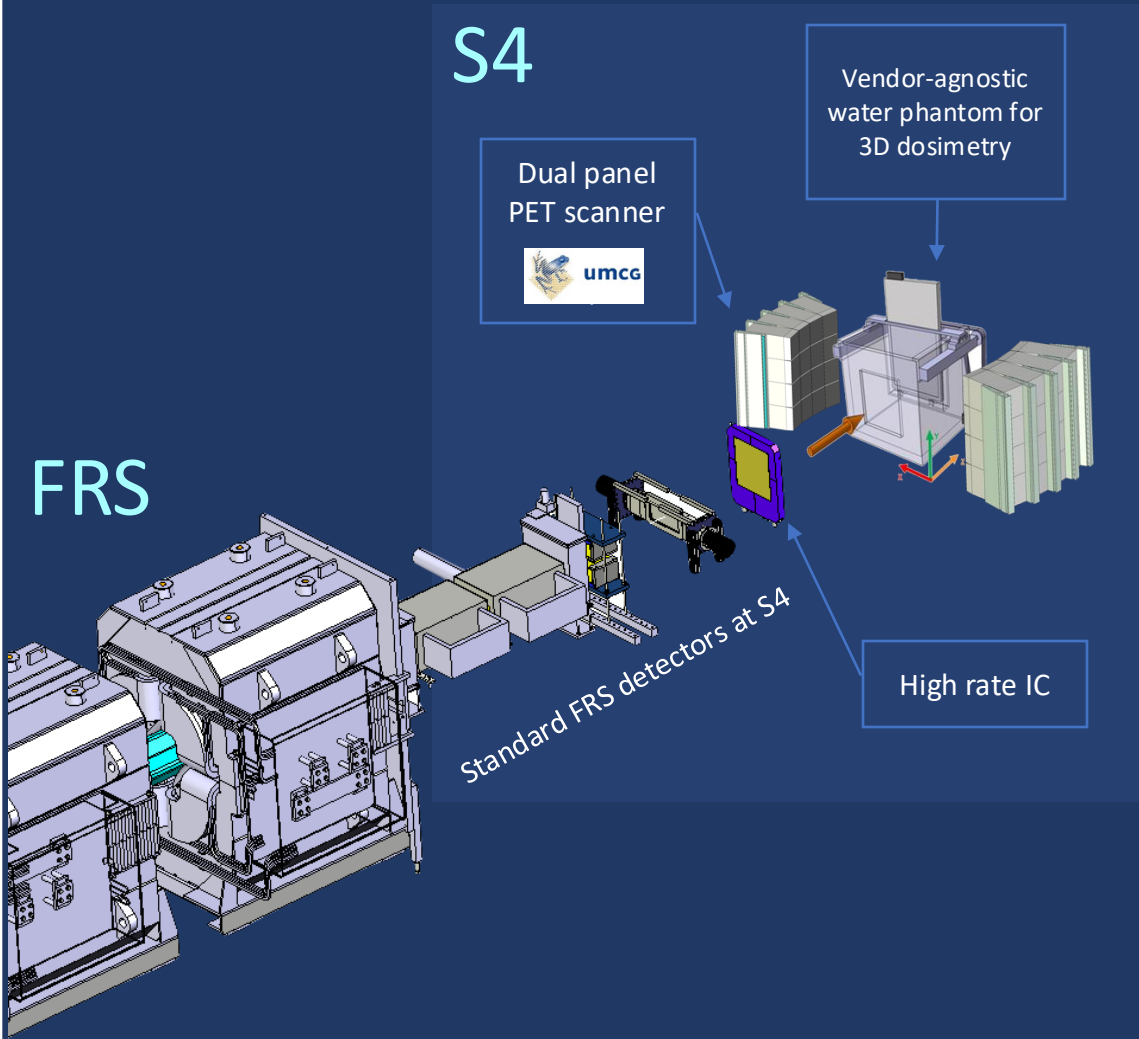
After n implantation cycles

$$N_n \propto N_1 \sum_{j=0}^{(n-1)} (n-j) e^{-\lambda_j T}$$



Simultaneous PET imaging and physical dosimetry

Simultaneous 3D dosimetry and PET imaging set up



Quantitative and qualitative demonstration of ^{15}O as probe beam

- Demonstrate the feasibility of scaling the range correction of ^{16}O therapeutic beam using the range information based on the positron activity peak of the ^{15}O probe beam \Leftarrow Pristine and SOBP cases

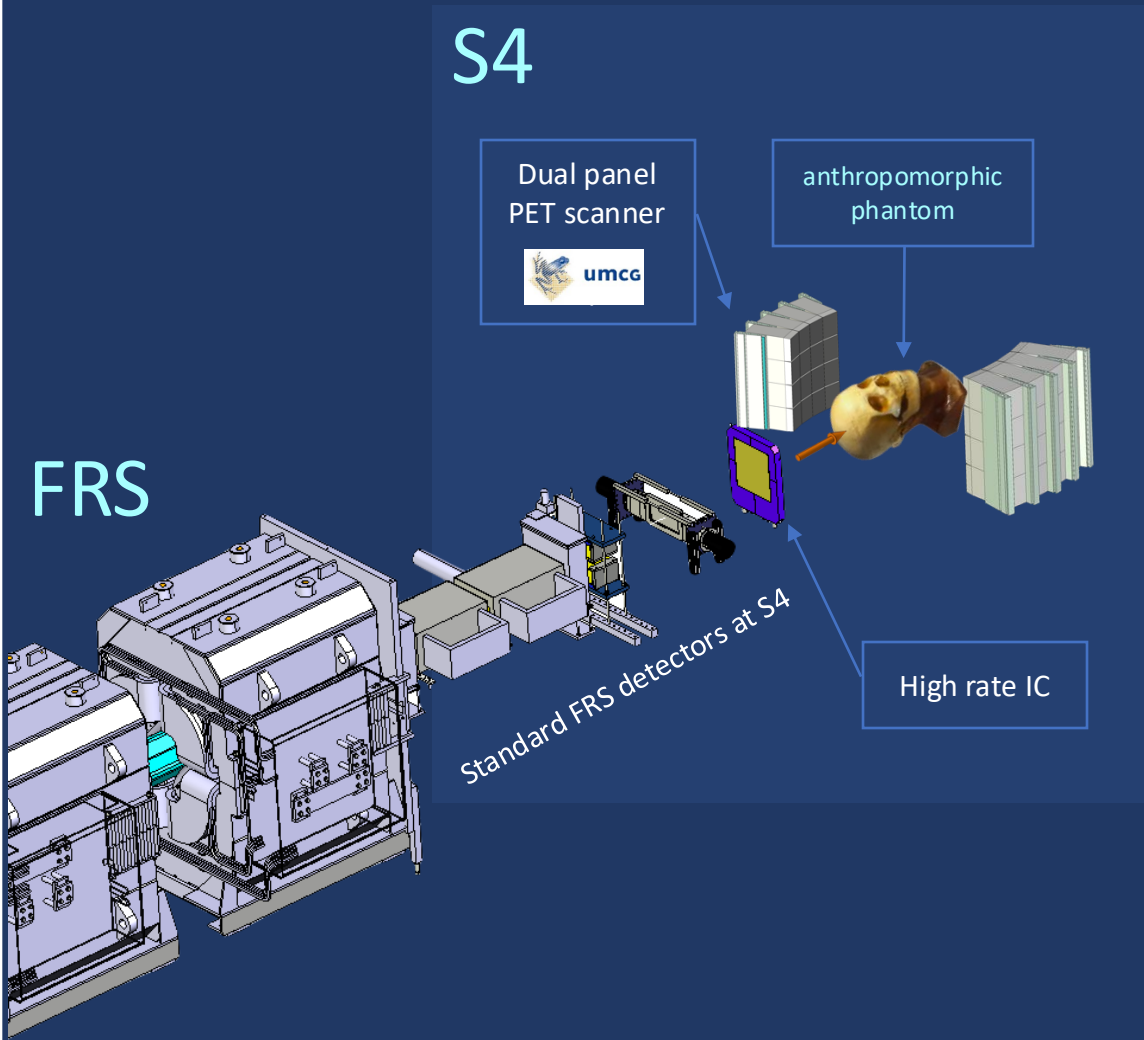
- Positron activity and dose peak position comparison

Quantitative and qualitative demonstration of ^{15}O as therapeutic beam

- Achieve highest intensity ^{15}O beam \Leftarrow High transmission mode of FRS
- Quantify the achievable dose \Leftarrow Pristine and SOBP cases
- Positron activity and dose peak position comparison

Experimental setup at S4

PET imaging set up with anthropomorphic phantom and compare it with Hounsfield units from CT scan



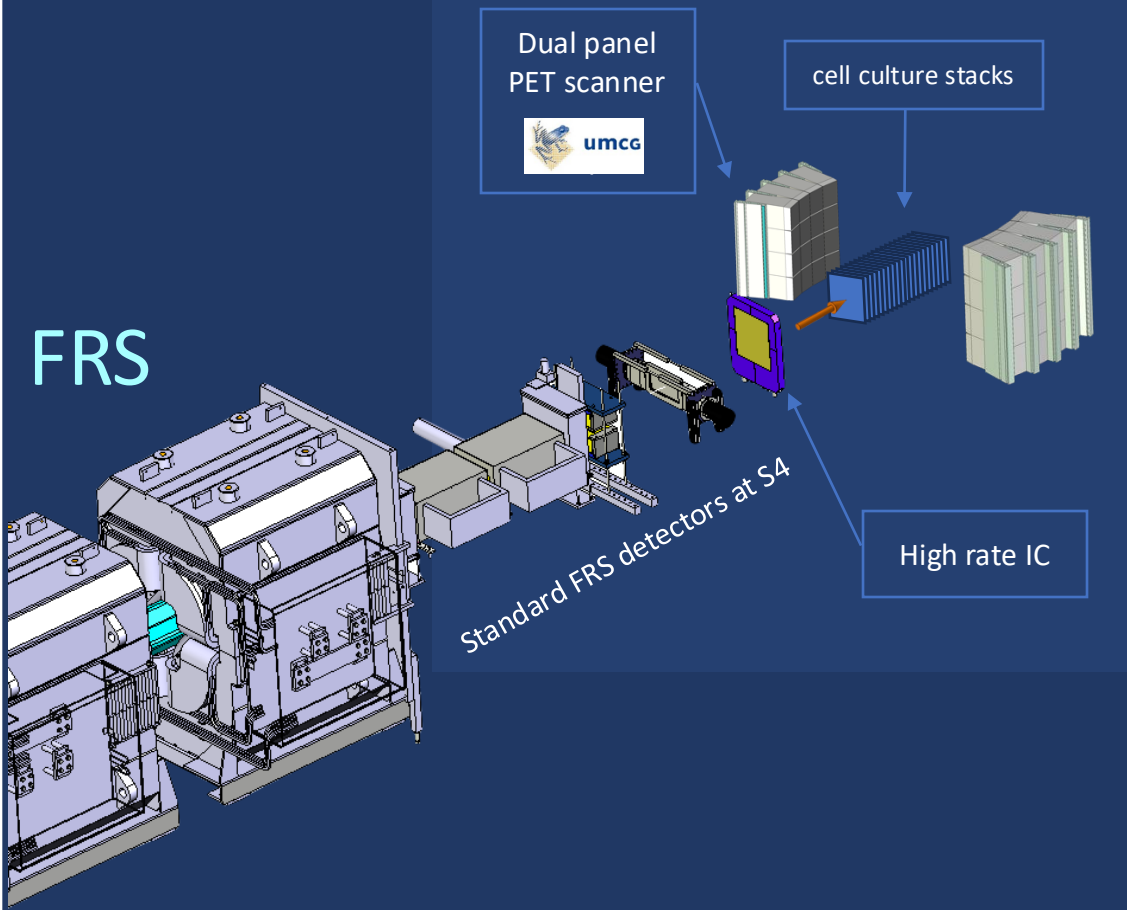
Demonstration of quasi-real-time range monitoring and correction using an anthropomorphic phantom

- Compare Montecarlo range prediction with PET imaging

Simultaneous PET imaging and biological dosimetry

Simultaneous irradiation of cell culture stack and PET imaging set up

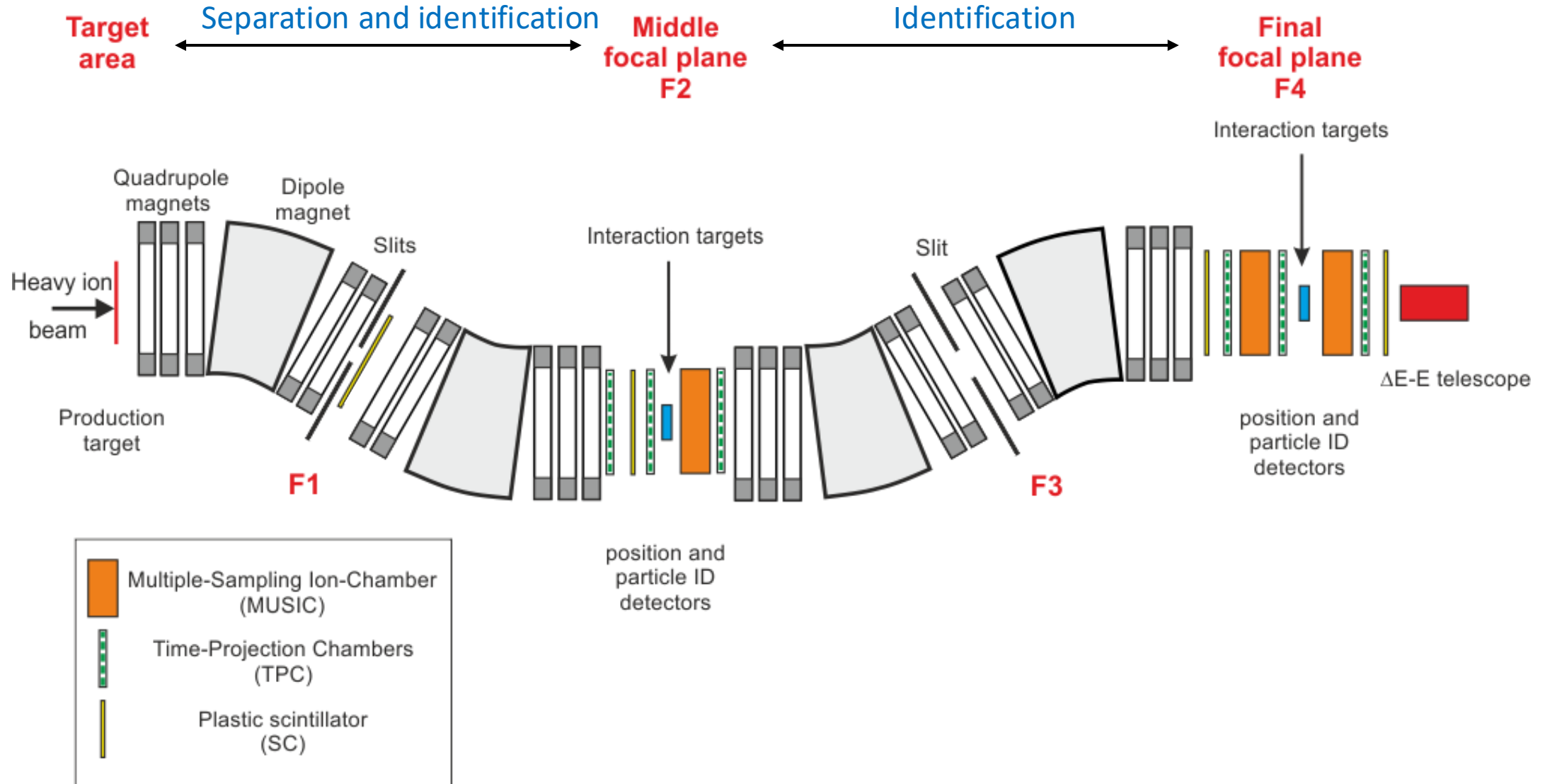
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Study the cell survival as a function of positron activity profile

- Irradiate cell culture stacks at at therapeutical doses (2 and 5 Gy) ← Pristine and SOBP cases

Experimental setup for cross-section measurements



cross-section measurements – Available data

Projectile atomic number	Projectile mass number	Projectile chemical formula	Target atomic number	Target mass number	Target chemical formula	Cross-section (mb)	Cross-section lower error (mb)	Cross-section upper error (mb)	Cross-section type
8	14	O	4	9	Be	871	14		CC
8	14	O	6	12	C	884	18		mc
8	14	O	6	12	C	885	23		mc
8	14	O	13	27	Al	1292	54		mc
8	15	O	7.42	18	H ₂ O (Water)	1502	8		mc
8	15	O	29	64	Cu	2580	630		mc
8	15	O	4	9	Be	912	23		mc
8	15	O	6	12	C	922	49		mc
8	15	O	6	12	C	915	13		mc
8	15	O	13	27	Al	1310	28		mc

Beam Request

- Primary beams : ^{16}O
- Secondary beam : ^{15}O
- Energy: 100 MeV/u - 500 MeV/u
- Intensities: 5×10^3 - 5×10^{10}
- Secondary targets: Water, Be, PE, Carbon (glassy and graphite)
- Required Shifts for measurement: 9