## The GRETINA science campaign at NSCL

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# Outline

April 23, 2012 – truck from LBNL at **NSCL** loading dock

- GRETINA at NSCL
- Selected science examples -Nuclear structure physics (*N*=40)
  - -Collectivity at  $N=Z(^{72}Kr)$
  - -Nuclear astrophysics (proton-rich)
  - –Weak interactions and EC rates -Effective charges in n-rich Ca
- Summary and outlook

June 2013 – last science run (the 24<sup>th</sup> experiment)







# The different configurations of the GRETINA campaign

"Standard configuration": 4 detectors under forward angles and 3 at 90 degree



Plunger lifetime measurements





All detectors under 90 degree



All detectors in one hemisphere and LH<sub>2</sub> target in

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7=82

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- Structure in <sup>221,223</sup>Rn ✓
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- Neutron-rich Ti  $\checkmark$
- Structure evolution beyond N=28 in Ca and Ar isotopes ✓
- Odd neutron-rich Ni ✓
- <sup>34</sup>Si Bubble nucleus? ✓
- Neutron-rich Si 🗸
- GRETINA commissioning ✓
- Neutron-rich N=40 nuclei 🗸
- Normal and intruder configurations in the Island of Inversion ✓



#### **Nuclear Astrophysics**

- Excitation energies in <sup>58</sup>Zn  $\checkmark$
- Measurement with the (d,n) transfer reaction
- GT strength distributions in <sup>45</sup>Sc and <sup>46</sup>Ti ✓

#### **Collective Phenomena**

- Transition matrix elements in <sup>70,72</sup>Ni ✓
- Quadrupole collectivity in light Sn  $\checkmark$

N=126

- $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  spectroscopy in neutron-rich Mg  $\checkmark$
- Neutron-rich C lifetime measurement  $\checkmark$
- Collectivity at N=Z via RDM lifetime measurements ✓
- B(E2:2→0) in <sup>12</sup>Be ✓
- <sup>71-74</sup>Ni excited-state lifetimes ✓
- Inelastic excitations beyond  $^{48}\text{Ca}$   $\checkmark$
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# GRETINA surrounding the target position of the S800 spectrograph





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# Shell evolution around N=40 – nuclear structure towards <sup>60</sup>Ca

A. Gade *et al.*, PRL 112, 112503 (2014)



- Effective shell model interaction with the largest model space available predict  $f_{5/2}$ ,  $d_{5/2}$ ,  $g_{9/2}$  degenerate essentially no N=40 gap at all
- The 12 CSkP Skyrme functionals by B. A. Brown [PRL 111, 232502 (2013)] give an *N=40* shell gap between 3-4 MeV and this would change the particle-hole content of the wave functions in this region





<sup>68</sup> Ni	0.09						
	0.90	0.10	55.5	35.5	8.5	0.5	-9.03
<sup>66</sup> Fe	3.17	0.46	1	19	72	8	-23.96
<sup>64</sup> Cr	3.41	0.76	0	9	73	18	-24.83
<sup>62</sup> Ti	3.17	1.09	1	14	63	22	-19.62
<sup>60</sup> Ca	2.55	1.52	1	18	59	22	-12.09

### Shell evolution toward <sup>60</sup>Ca: First spectroscopy of <sup>60</sup>Ti with <sup>9</sup>Be(<sup>61</sup>V,<sup>60</sup>Ti+γ)X

- The structure of neutron-rich Ti-Ni isotopes is subject to shell evolution largely driven by the monopole parts of the *pn* tensor force
- Excited states are often one of the first benchmarks. Only one excited state was known in <sup>58</sup>Ti, nothing in <sup>60</sup>Ti.
- Excited states in <sup>58,60</sup>Ti were populated in nucleon removal reactions and will provide first benchmarks towards *N=40* in the Ti isotopes



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### Looks like a doublet, smells like a doublet ... A. Gade *et al.*, PRL 112, 112503 (2014)





## The power of direct reactions

A. Gade et al., PRL 112, 112503 (2014)





## Shape coexistence in <sup>72</sup>Kr and lifetime measurements



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# Rapid shape transition in <sup>72</sup>Kr

H. Iwasaki et al., PRL 112, 142502 (2014)





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### Nuclear Astrophysics - Spectroscopy of proton-rich <sup>58</sup>Zn

Nuclear reaction flow powers X-ray bursts through important waiting point <sup>56</sup>Ni

#### Ga (31) Zn (30) Cu (29) Ni (28) Co (27) Fe (26)

#### Explore structure with GRETINA

#### Variations of <sup>57</sup>Cu(p,γ<sup>58</sup>Zn affect the eff. lifetime of <sup>56</sup>Ni



C. Langer, F. Montes et al., PRL, in press

A. Gade, 7/8/2014, Slide 13



Reaction rate dominated by 2<sup>+</sup> resonances

<sup>57</sup>Cu + p



# Spectroscopy of <sup>58</sup>Zn and reduced uncertainty in important reaction rate

C. Langer, F. Montes et al., PRL, in press



## β<sup>+</sup> Gamow-Teller Transition Strengths from <sup>46</sup>Ti and Stellar Electron-Capture Rates

S. Noji, R. Zegers et al., PRL, in press

Counts/2 keV

216

227, 228

147

(b)  $E_{x}(^{46}Sc) = 0.991 \text{ MeV}$ 

1<sup>+</sup> GT \_911

40

S

46Sc

444

227

0

1.0

20

10 -

- B(GT) in lower fp-shell
  - Electron capture rates of astrophysical importance: Type Ia, II supernova, neutron star
  - EC rates from charge-exchange data for *fp*-shell nuclei: Cole, *et al.*, PRC **86** 015809 (2012)
    - Shell model does well overall; but deficiencies possible for the lightest ones (e.g. <sup>46</sup>Ti)

 $E_{\gamma}$  (MeV)

10 +

(a)

 $S_{o} \parallel S$ 

10

5

10

 $E_{\rm x}(^{46}{\rm Sc})$  (MeV)

15

20

- Detailed knowledge of the lowest-lying GT transition is critical for estimating EC rates
- Charge-Exchange reaction +  $\gamma$ -ray coincidence
  - ${}^{46}\text{Ti}(t,{}^{3}\text{He}){}^{46}\text{Sc}$  measurement at S800
    - High resolution & wide *E*<sub>x</sub> range
    - Multipole decomposition analysis
  - GRETINA: γ-rays from stopped <sup>46</sup>Sc residue





0.5

 $E_{\gamma}$  (MeV)

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# Probing proton and neuron degrees of freedom with (p,p') L. A. Riley *et al.*, PRC, submitted





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## Effective charges in the shell model around <sup>50</sup>Ca

- Quadrupole effective charges are needed in shell model descriptions of transition strengths to account for core excitations and related contributions outside of the model space
- Inelastic proton scattering together with independent B(E2) or  $\tau$  information, allows to determine  $e_{\rm p}/e_{\rm n}$  following Brown and Wildenthal (1980)

$$\frac{M_n}{M_p} = \frac{b_p}{b_n} \left( \frac{\delta_{(p,p')}}{\delta_p} \left( 1 + \frac{b_n}{b_p} \frac{N}{Z} \right) - 1 \right) \quad b_n/b_p = 1 \text{ and } b_n/b_p = 3.$$

$$M_n/M_p = 3.5(9)$$

$$M_p = A_p(1 + \delta_{pp}) + A_n \delta_{pn}, A_p = 0$$
$$M_n = A_n(1 + \delta_{nn}) + A_p \delta_{np}$$

$$\frac{M_n}{M_p} = \frac{1+\delta_{nn}}{\delta_{pn}} \qquad e_p = 1+\delta_{pp} = 1+\delta_{nn} \qquad \frac{e_p}{e_n} = \frac{M_n}{M_p}$$



 $e_p/e_n=3$  M. Honma, (GXPF1)  $e_p/e_n = 1.4$  R. du Rietz  $e_p/e_n = 3.5(9)$  Our work

In agreement with conclusions in J. J. Valiente-Dobon et al., PRL 102, 242502 (2009)



National Science Foundation Michigan State University Brown, Wildenthal, PRC 21, 2107 (1980) M. Honma et al., PRC 69, 034335 (2004) R. du Rietz et al., PRL 93, 222501 (2004)

# **Outlook – The future is bright**

- In-beam  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy is prospering around the world with great opportunities afforded by advanced arrays, clever targets and powerful accelerators
- GRETINA at NSCL was a great success and it just started its second science campaign at ATLAS/ANL
   –First NSCL results are out (see also talks at DREB next week)
- GRETINA will return to NSCL for a second fast beam campaign in 2015 after the ANL campaign is completed (likely with more detectors!)



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## Partners in crime ...

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