

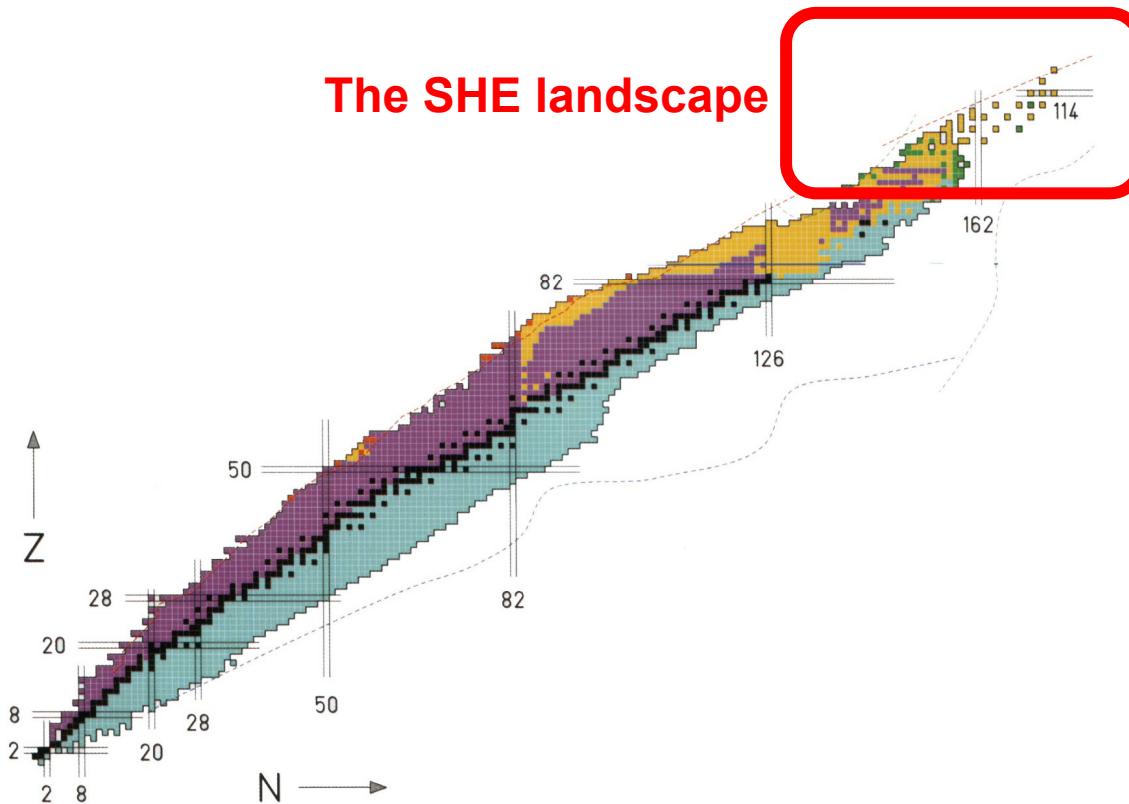
SHE Experiments at the UNILAC

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The Chart of Nuclei

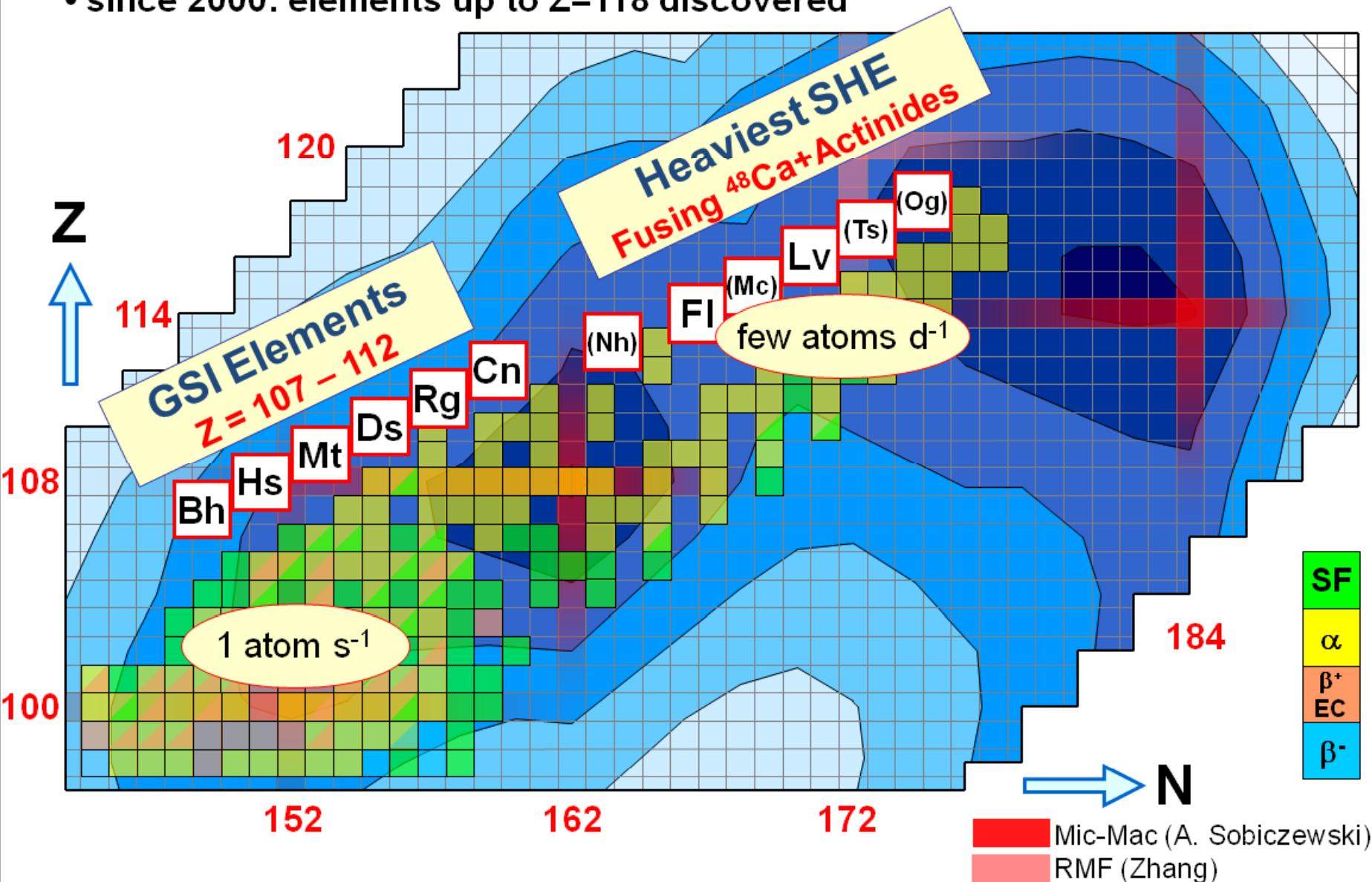
- SHN exist only due to shell effects created by the strong force
- studies of SHN test the strong interaction at extreme Z and N
- relevant for modeling of element creation in the Universe and predicting properties of neutron stars



- Are there still distinct magic numbers in SHN?
- What is the strength and extension of proton and neutron shell effects?
- What is the heaviest nucleus that can exist?
- Boundaries of *Island of Stability* and properties of nuclides within

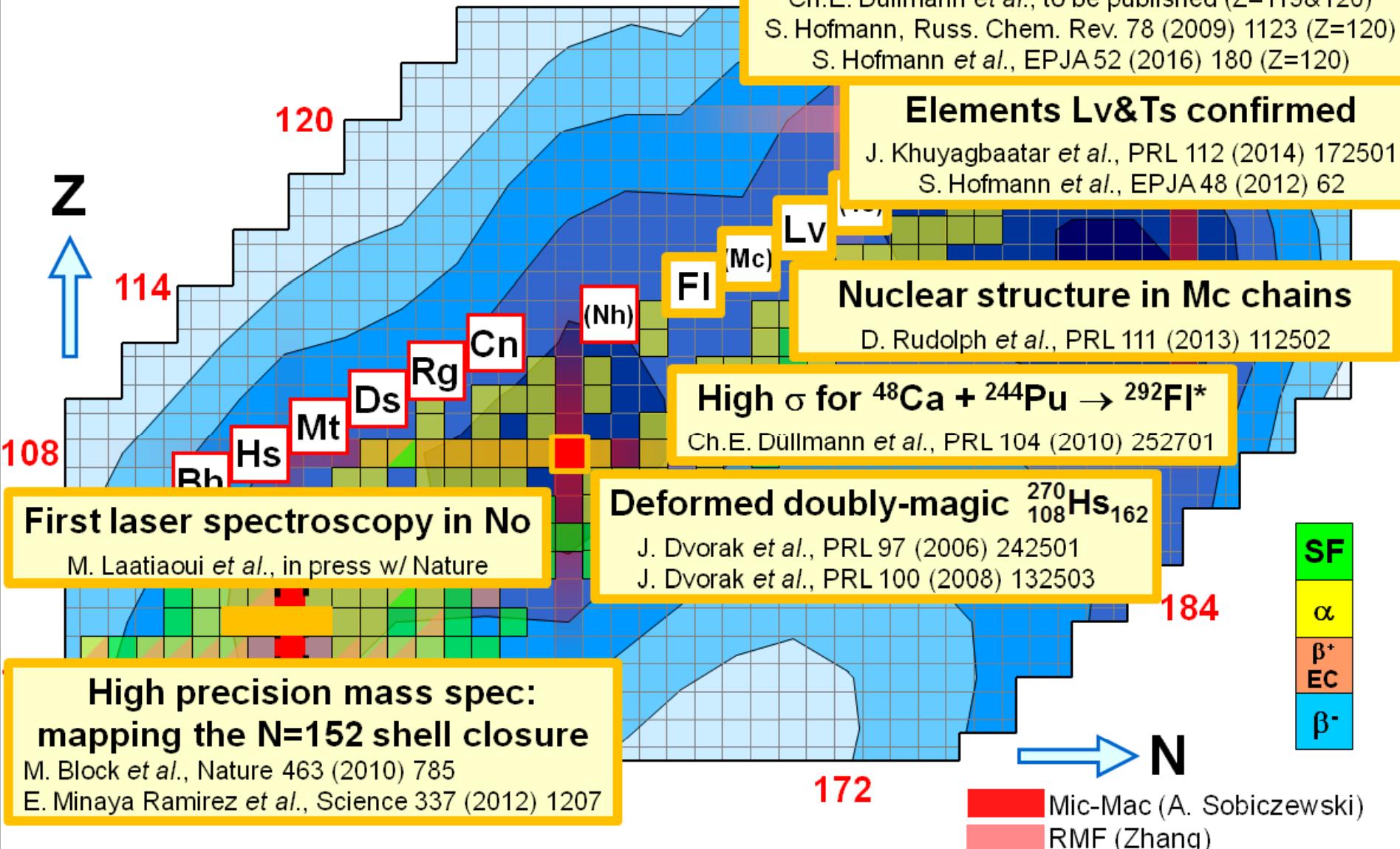
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1	H	2															2	He
3	Li	Be															10	Ne
11	Mg		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12				18		
19	K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
37	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
55	Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
87	Fr	Ra	Ac	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
			104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	
			(Nh)	(Mc)	(Ts)	(Og)												

*	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71		
	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu		
"	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr		

First chemical study of Sg (Z=106)

M. Schädel et al., Nature 388 (1997) 55

Chemical study of Nh, Fl

A. Yakushev et al., Inorg. Chem. 53 (2014) 1624

A. Yakushev et al., in preparation

First chemical study of Hs (Z=108)

Ch.E. Düllmann et al., Nature 418 (2002) 859

First "new" SHE compound: Sg(CO)₆

J. Even et al., Science 345 (2014) 1491

GSI/HIM/U Mainz: A unique combination for SHE research

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GSI



ECR/PIG +
UNILAC

Beam



Stable
targets



Actinide
targets

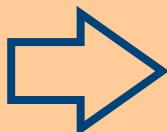


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-LASER
-TRAP



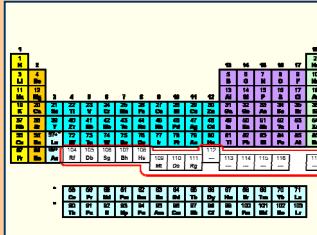
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SHIP



TASCA



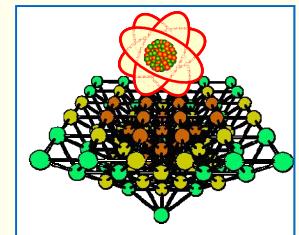
Chemistry



SHIPTRAP



TASISpec

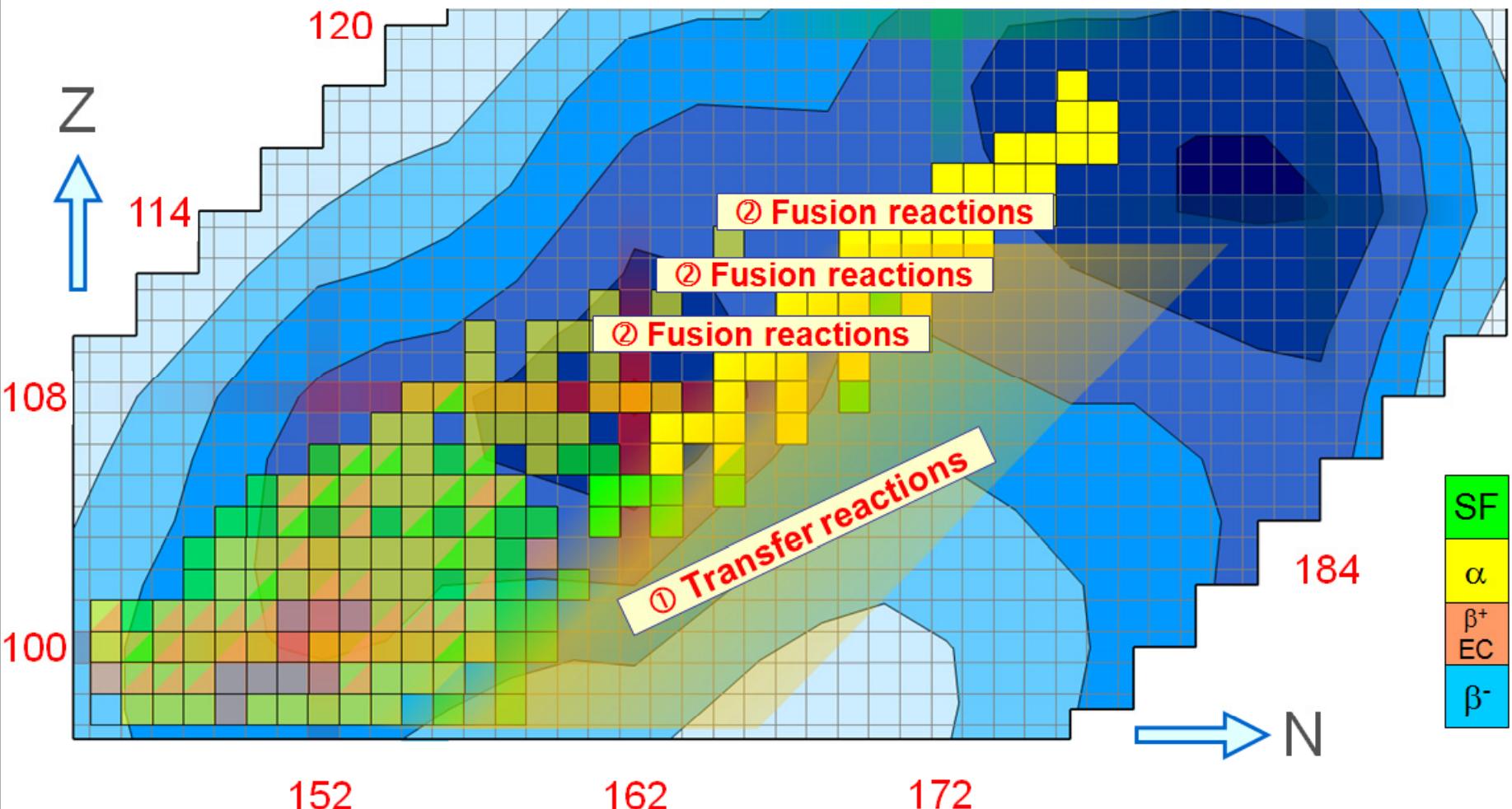


Chemical
theory

Superheavy element physics program in POF 3

Reduced GSI research program, parallel to FAIR detector tests using the "free" UNILAC beam

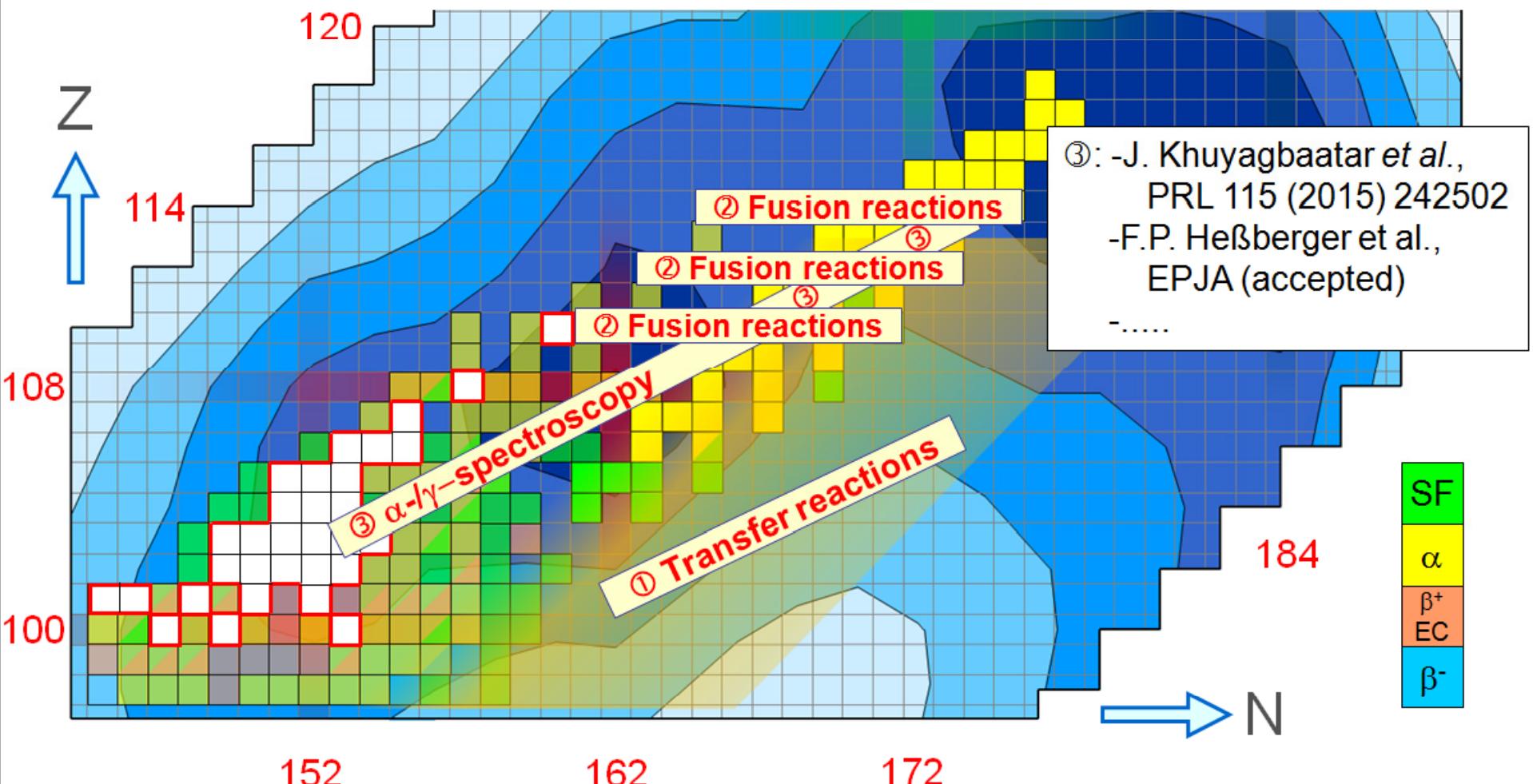
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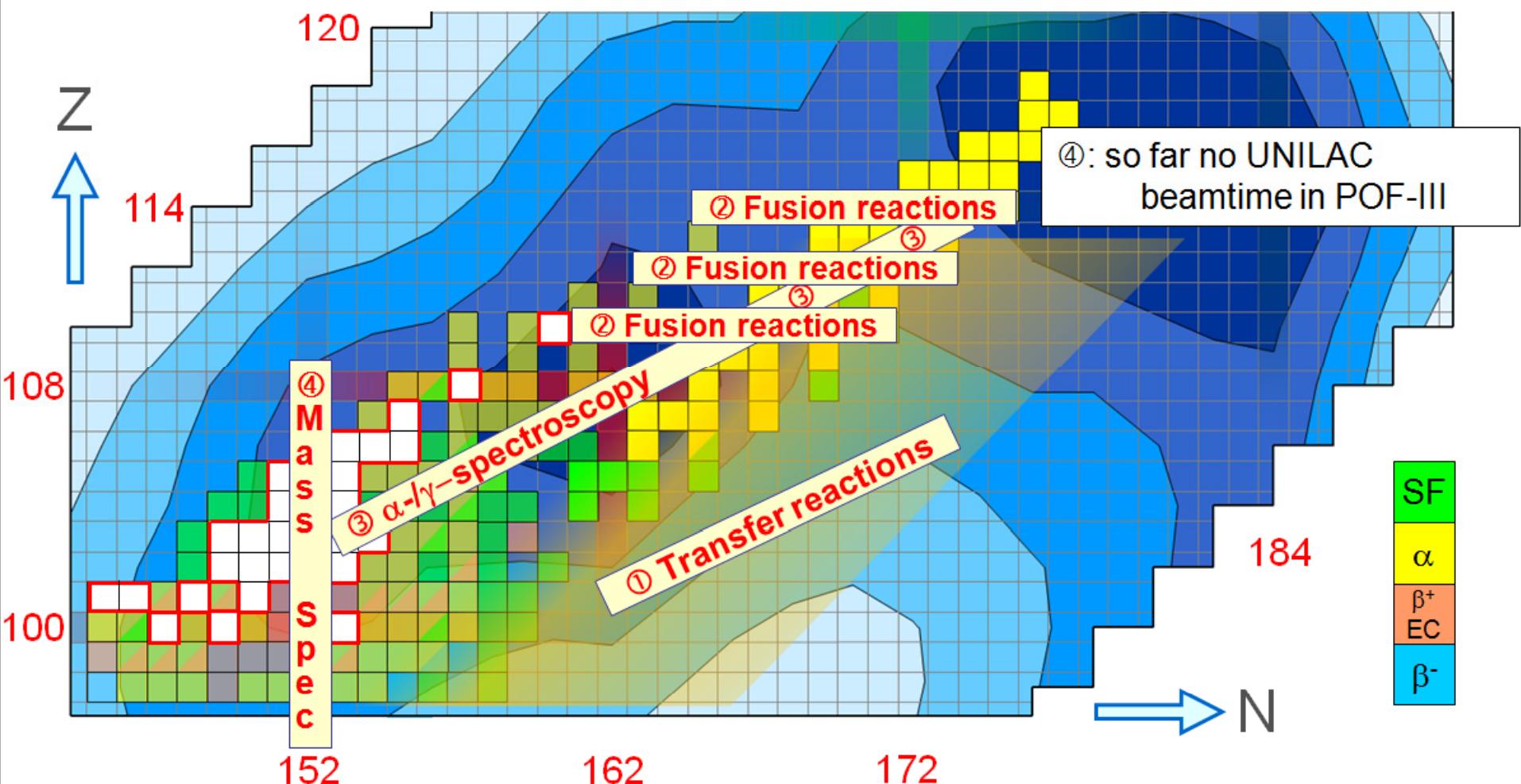
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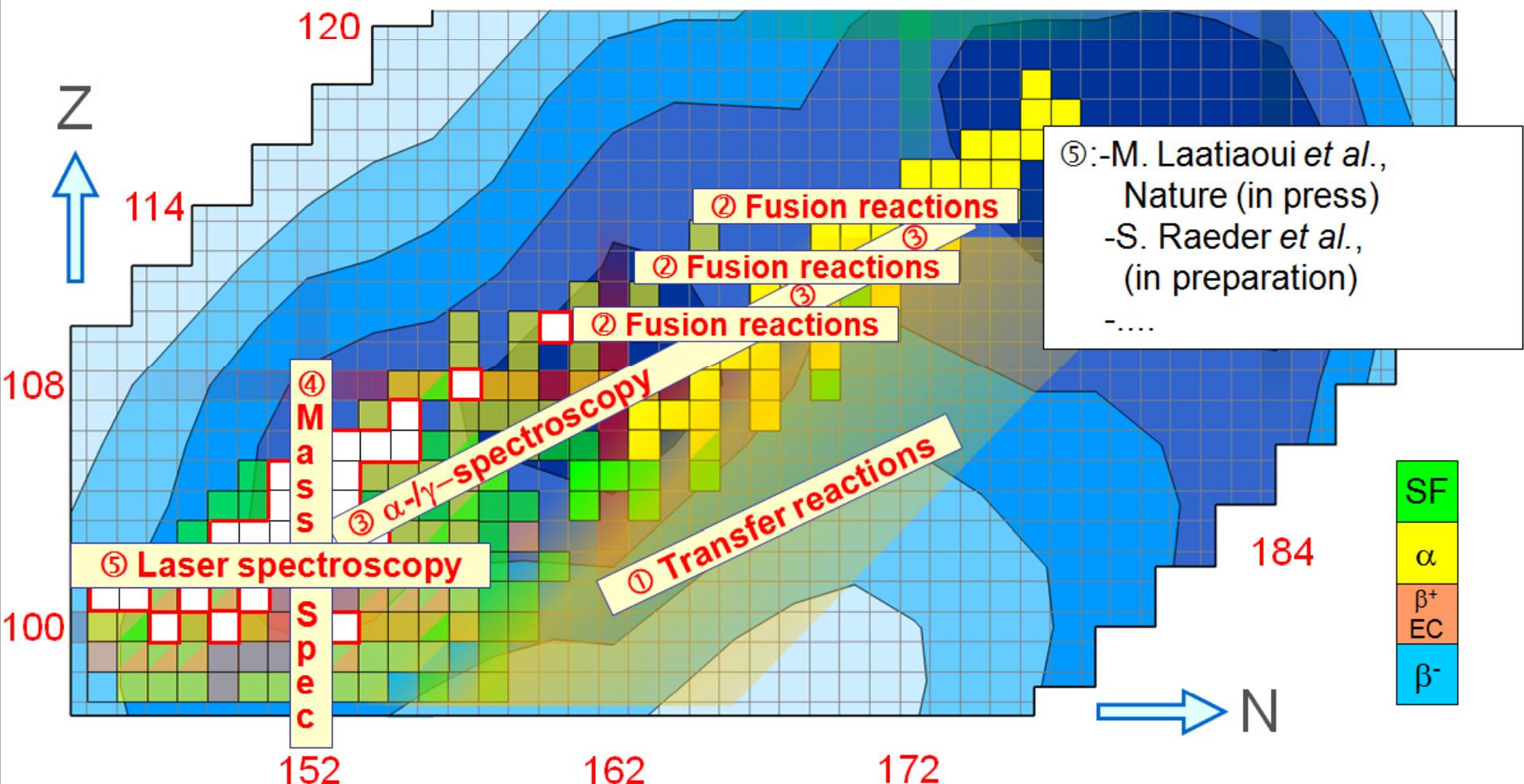
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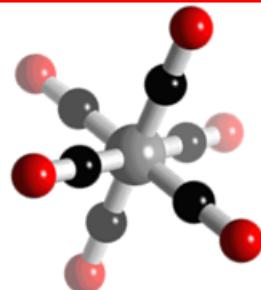
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- ⑤ nobelium: atomic level studies at $Z>100$



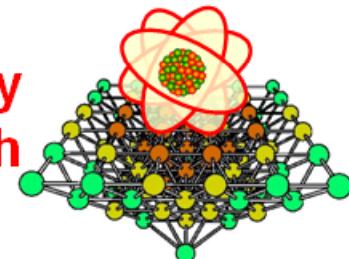
Superheavy element chemistry program in POF 3

Z~106: New single molecule chemical SHE compounds

Sg(CO)₆, Bh(CO)_x



Z~114: Single atom gas chromatography to study SHE-metal-bond strength



113-Au_n; Fl-Au_n

1	1 H	2 Be														18 He	
3 Li	4 Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 B	14 C	15 N	16 O	10 Ne	
11 Na	12 Mg	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba	57+* La	58 Hf	59 Ta	60 W	61 Re	62 Os	63 Ir	64 Pt	65 Au	66 Hg	67 Tl	68 Pb	69 Bi	70 Po	71 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 (Nh)	114 Fl	115 (Mc)	116 Lv	117 (Ts)	118 (Og)
x	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu			
..	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr			

@RIKEN: **Sg(CO)₆ stability**: R. Eichler et al.

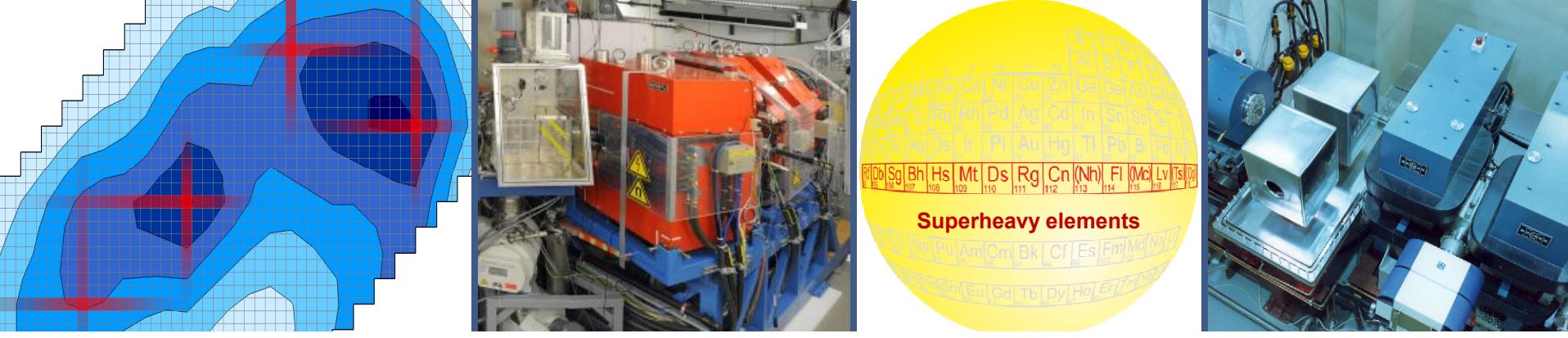
@JAEA: **M(CO)_x synth.**: M. Götz, A. Yakushev et al.

@TRIGA MZ: **M(CO)_x synth.**: V. Wolter, M. Götz et al.

@TASCA: **Fl** chem.: L. Lens, A. Yakushev et al.

@TASCA: **Nh** chem.: A. Yakushev et al.

@SHIP: towards **Mc**: S. Götz, S. Raeder et al.



UNILAC Experiments 2017+ SHE Chemistry

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Towards new GSI elements

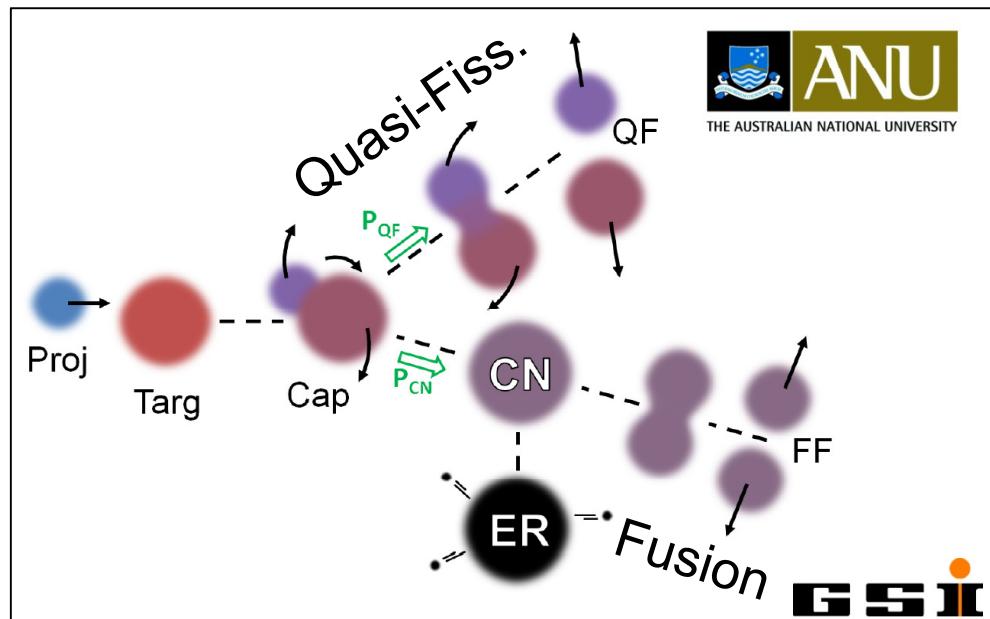
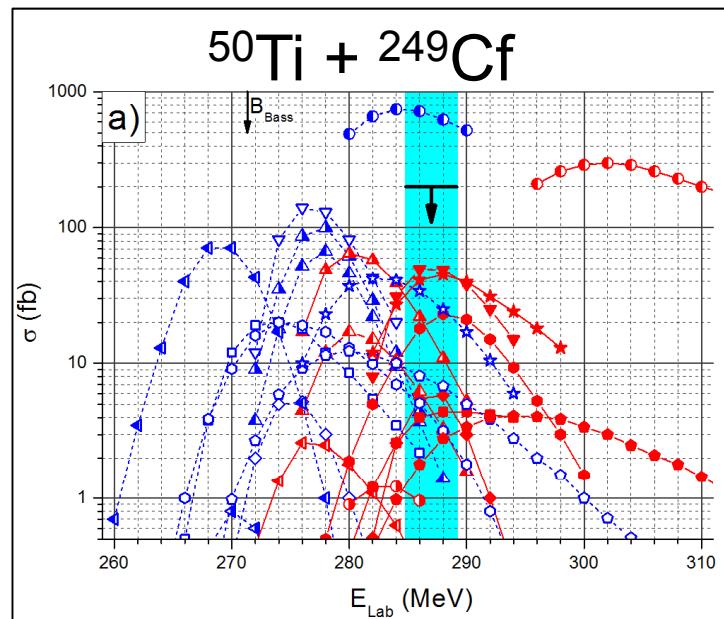
-Search experiments to resume in POF-IV; prep. studies in POF-III

World-effort to find Z>118 to date

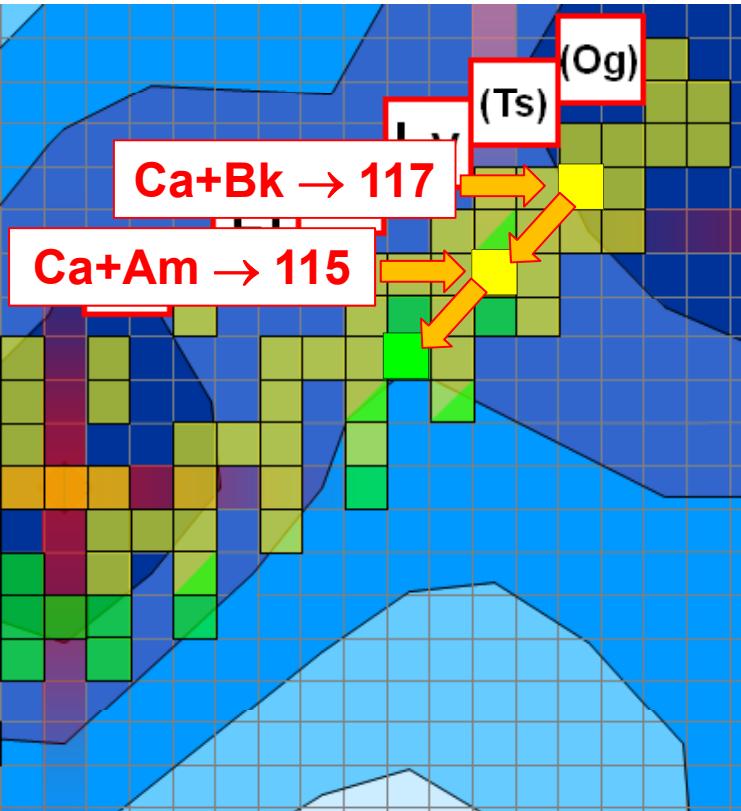
	Compound nucleus	Beamtime invested	Cross section limit ¹
$^{50}\text{Ti} + ^{249}\text{Bk}$	$^{299}\text{119}^*$	4.5 months	²
$^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{238}\text{U}$	$^{302}\text{120}^*$	4 months	$\geq 90 \text{ fb}$
$^{58}\text{Fe} + ^{244}\text{Pu}$	$^{302}\text{120}^*$	2 months	$\geq 400 \text{ fb}$
$^{54}\text{Cr} + ^{248}\text{Cm}$	$^{302}\text{120}^*$	>1 month	$\geq 580 \text{ fb}$
$^{50}\text{Ti} + ^{249}\text{Cf}$	$^{299}\text{120}^*$	>1 month	²



¹ 63.2% confidence level ("one-event limit")
² under final analysis



Spectroscopy in the Z=114+ region



First spectroscopy around Z=114:

D. Rudolph et al., PRL 2013 (TASISpec)

Production + study of Z=115/117:

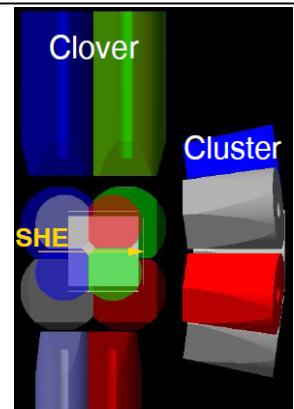
J. Khuyagbaatar et al., PRL 2014

2016: IUPAC approves 115&117

Statistical analysis (U. Forsberg et al., NPA 2016)
invalidates IUPAC (D. Rudolph et al., PLB 2016)

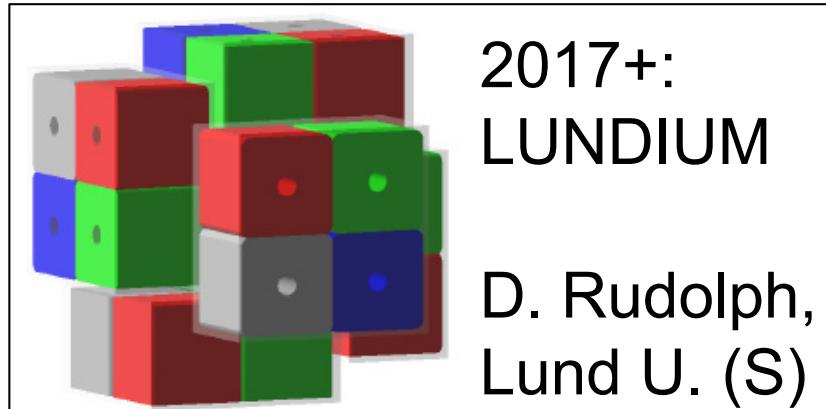
Identification and verification of true links w/
advanced TASISpec-setup "**LUNDIUM**"

(funded: Wallenberg Foundation (S); ~4.3 M€)



2012:
TASISpec

D. Rudolph,
Lund U. (S)



2017+:
LUNDIUM

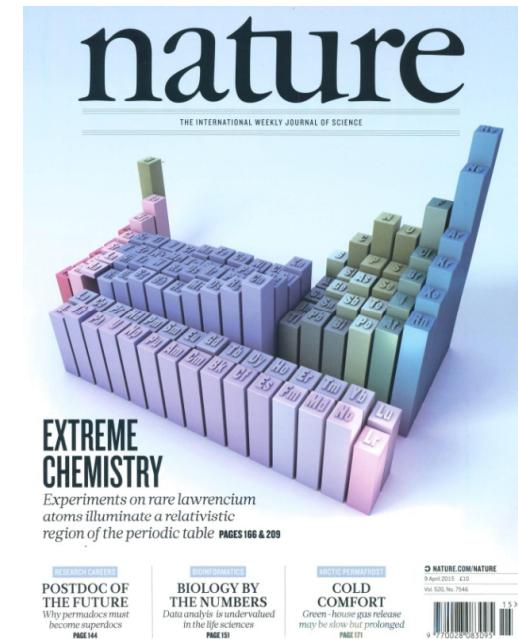
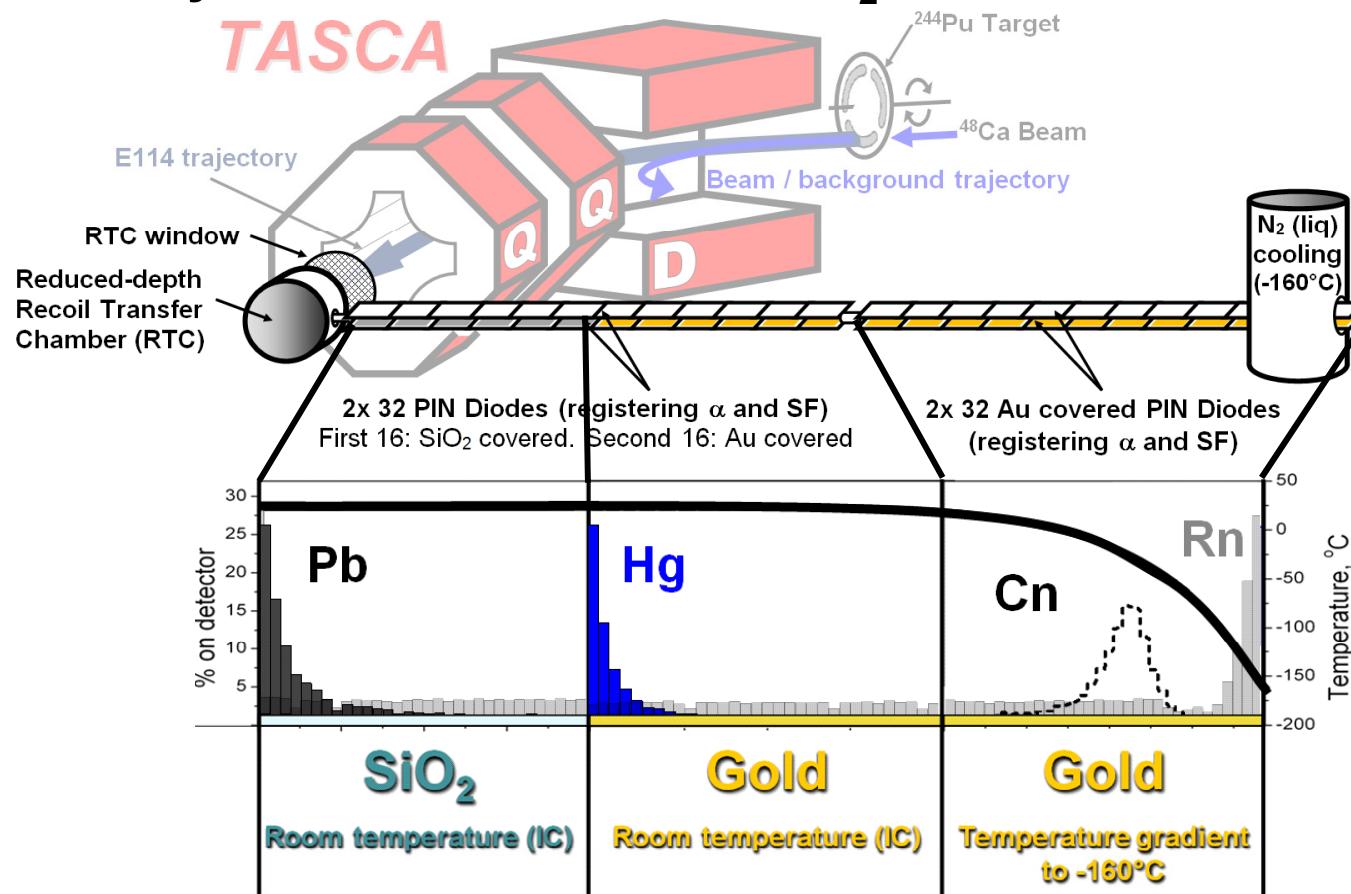
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Nh, Fl, Mc... single atom chemistry

Study interaction of Fl with SiO_2 / Au (room temperature) / Au (temp. gradient)



- Fl (Z=114): 8 atoms observed, final analysis ongoing (PhD thesis L. Lens). ✓
- Nh (Z=113): 1st exp. done, 0 events, under analysis ➡
- Mc+ (Z=115+): More short-lived, needs faster setup. Coupling of chemistry to SHIP buffer gas cell under construction (PhD thesis S. Götz) ➡

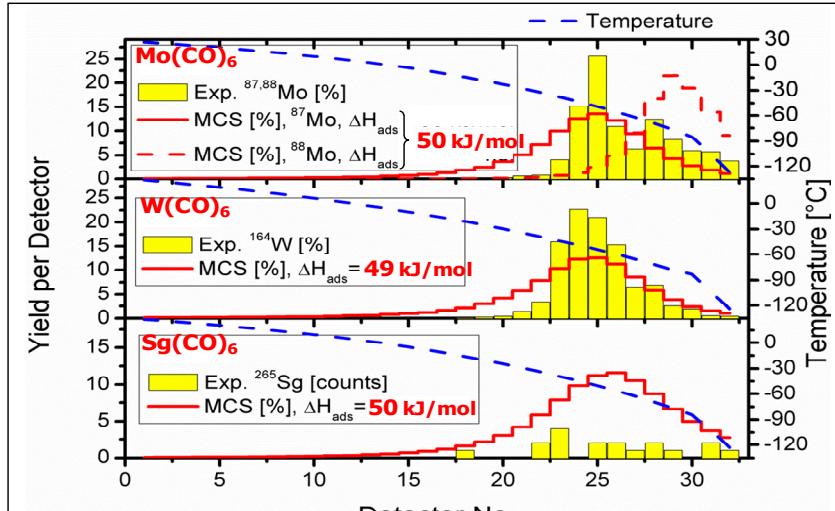
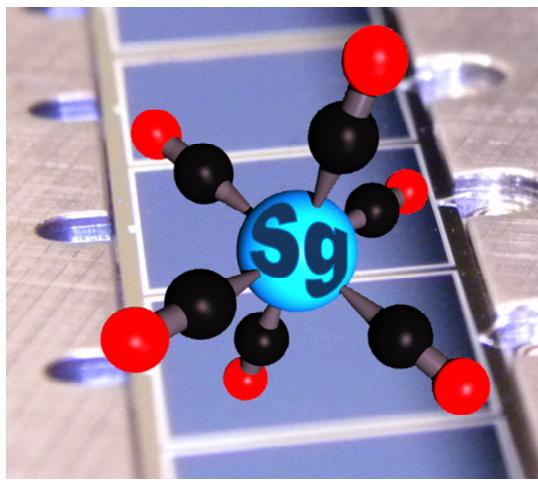
New SHE compound classes for SHE spectroscopy

GEFÖRDERT VOM



Bundesministerium
für Bildung
und Forschung

Hexacarbonyls: $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_6$ / $\text{W}(\text{CO})_6$ / $\text{Sg}(\text{CO})_6$



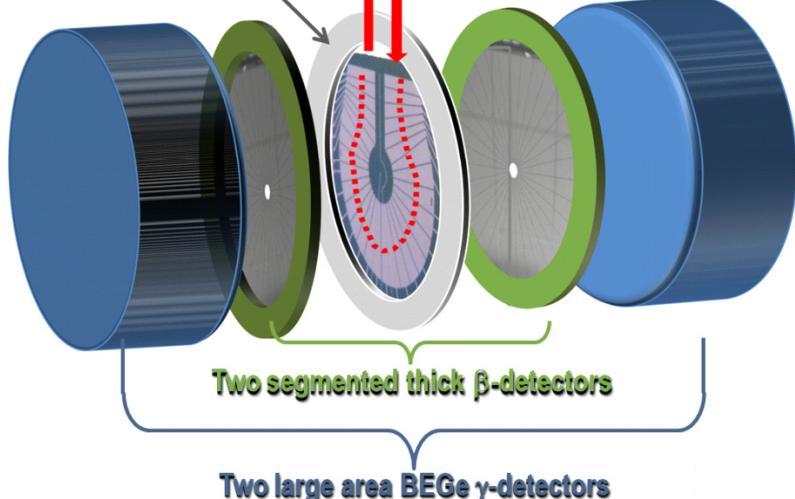
J. Even *et al.* **Science** 345 (2014) 1491

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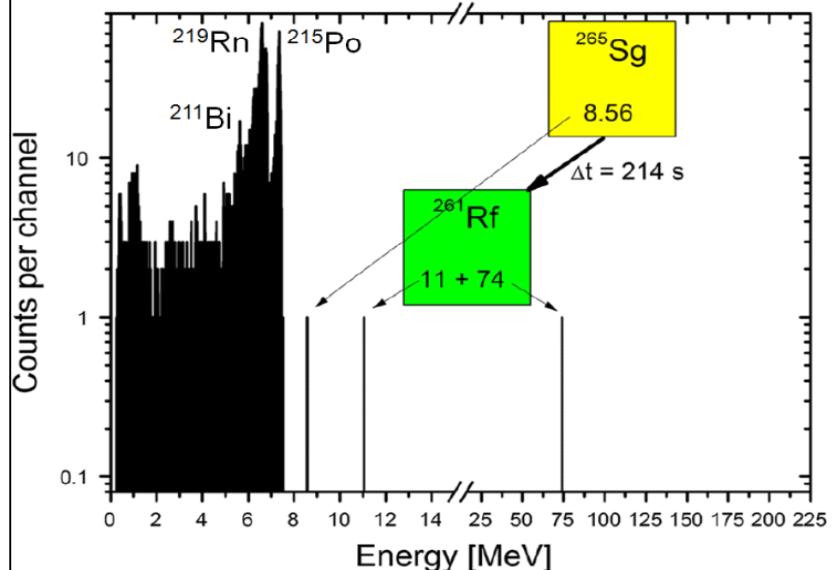
Gas channel
(2 α -SF detectors @ -100°C)

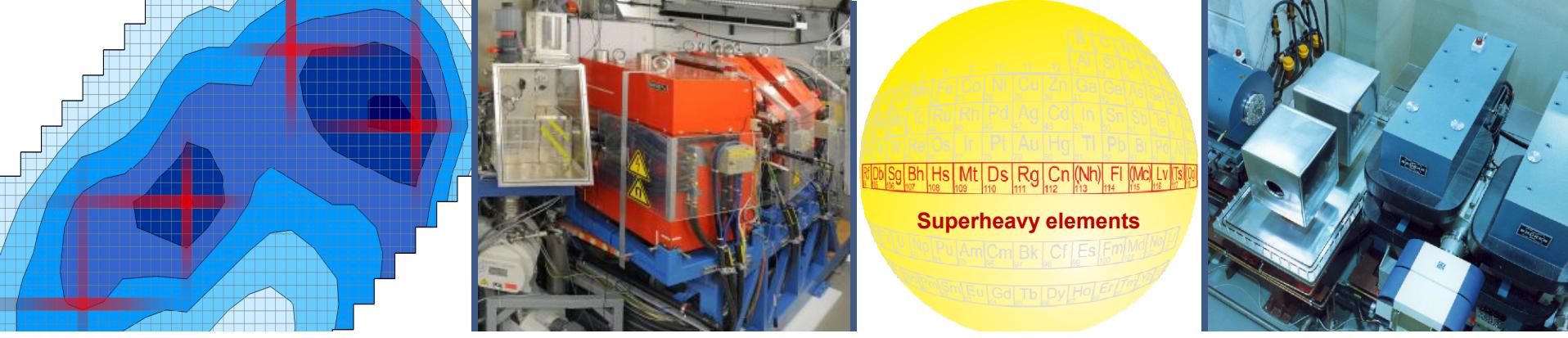
Gas with $\text{M}(\text{CO})_x$
complexes in/out

Two segmented thick β -detectors
Two large area BEGe γ -detectors



Sum spectrum of all 32 COMPACT detector pairs

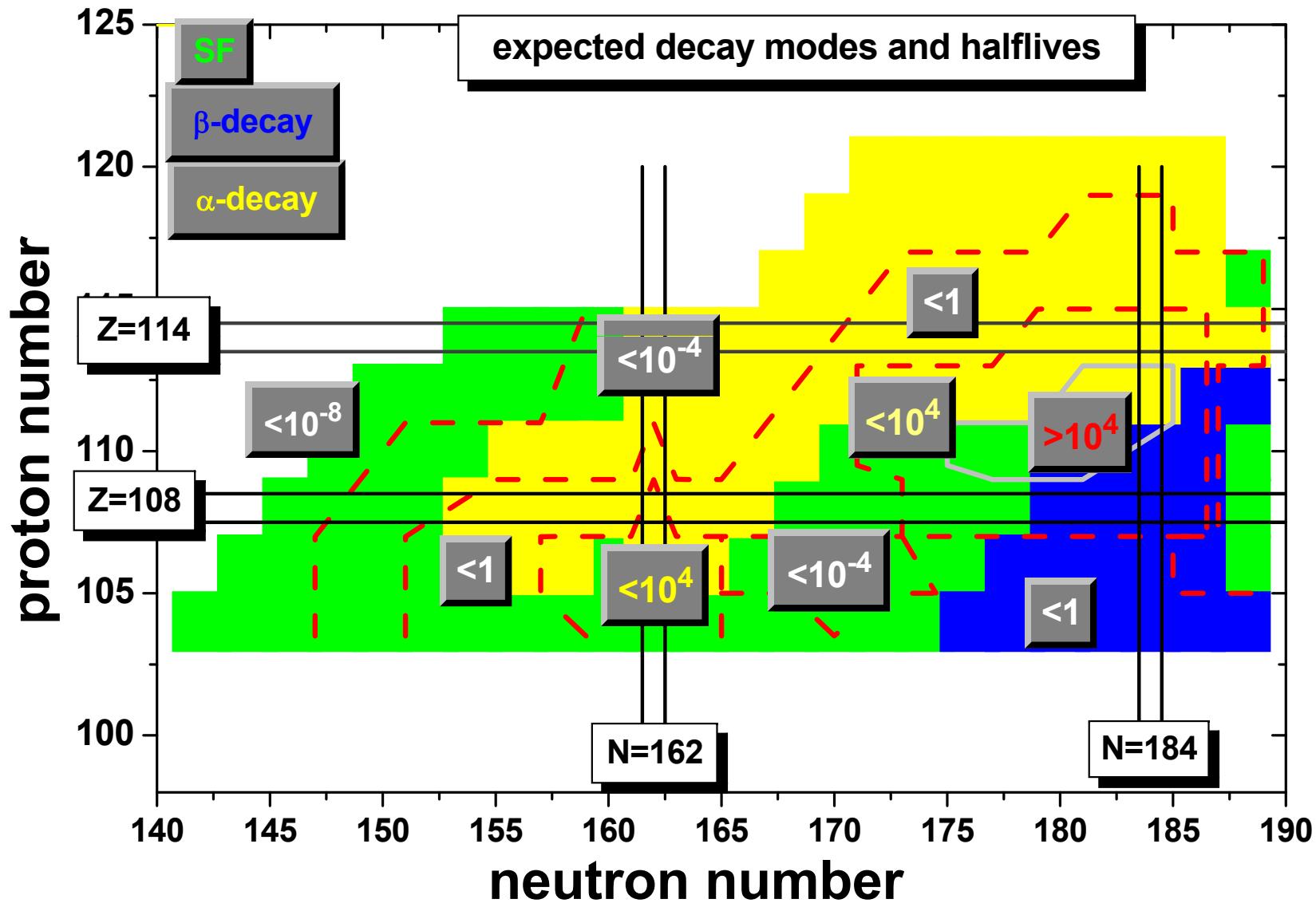




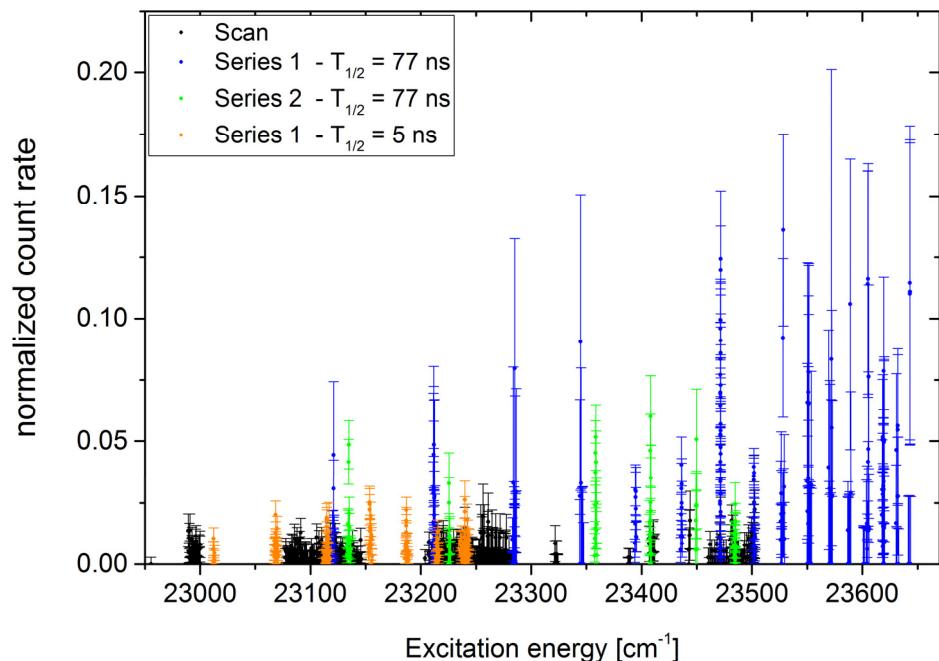
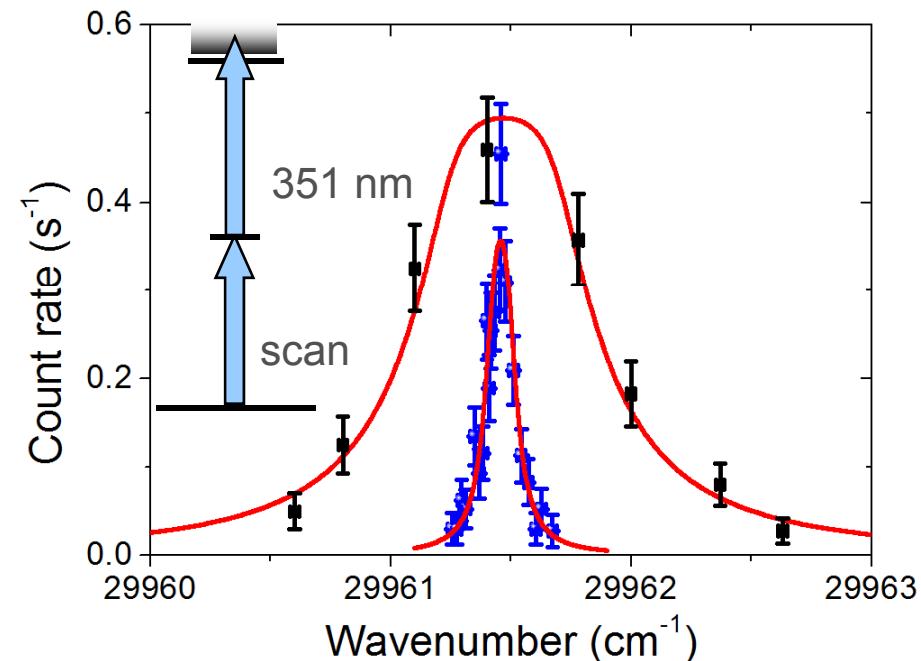
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Expected Decay Modes and Half-lives of SHN



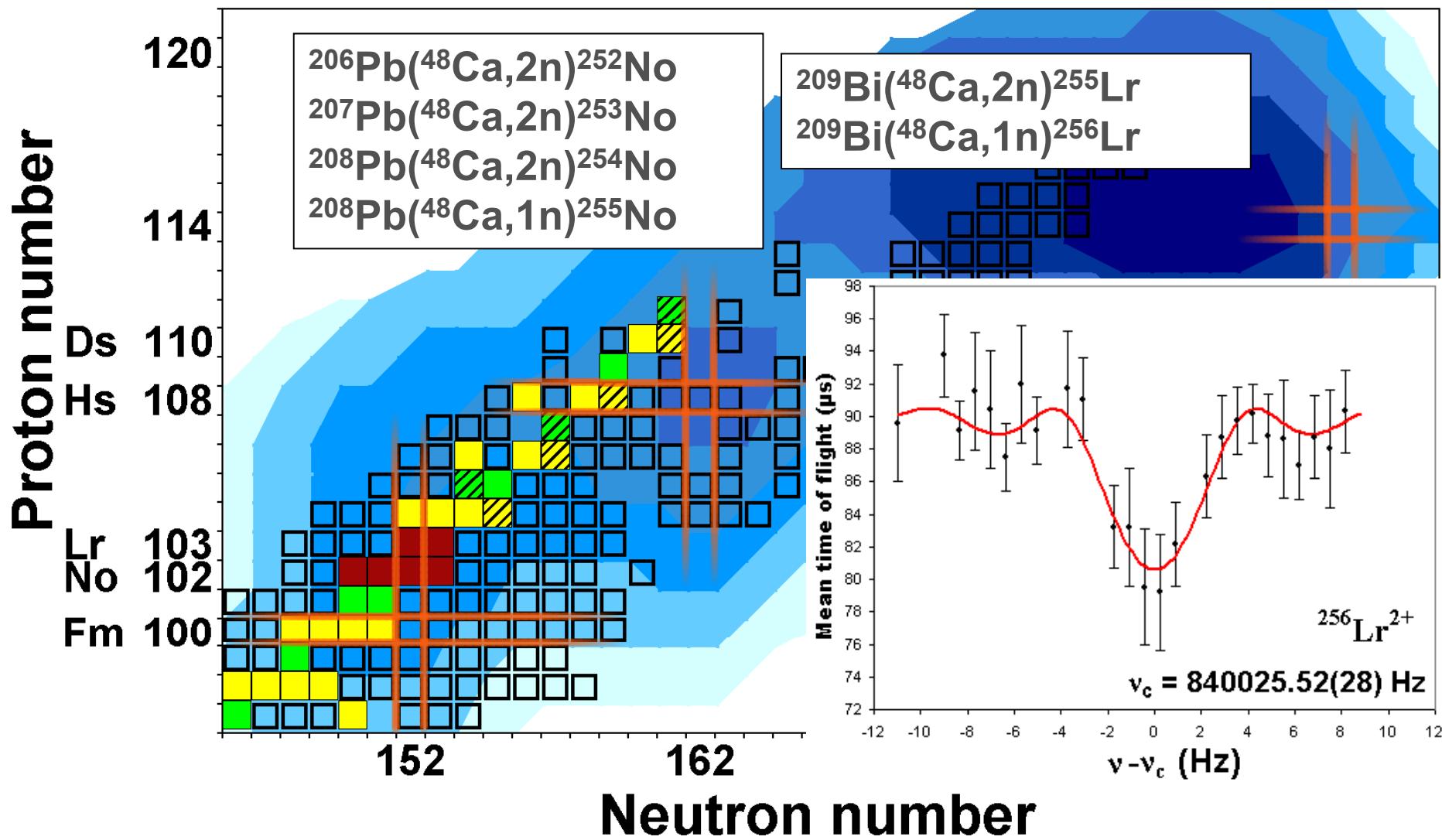
Search for Atomic States in Nobelium



- Several atomic states identified in nobelium isotopes $^{252-254}\text{No}$ by laser resonance ionization spectroscopy in 2015/2016 beamtimes
- Hyperfine splitting in ^{253}No and isotope shift give access to spin, moments
- First ionization potential of nobelium determined via Rydberg series

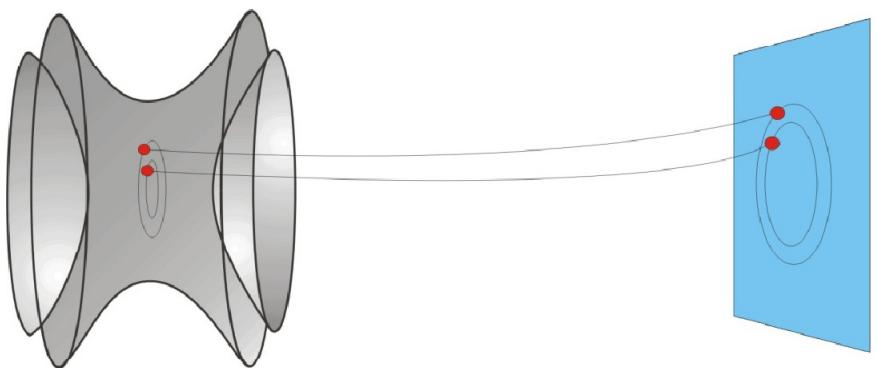
Part of 2015 results: M. Laatiaoui et al., Nature in press

Direct mass measurements with SHIPTRAP

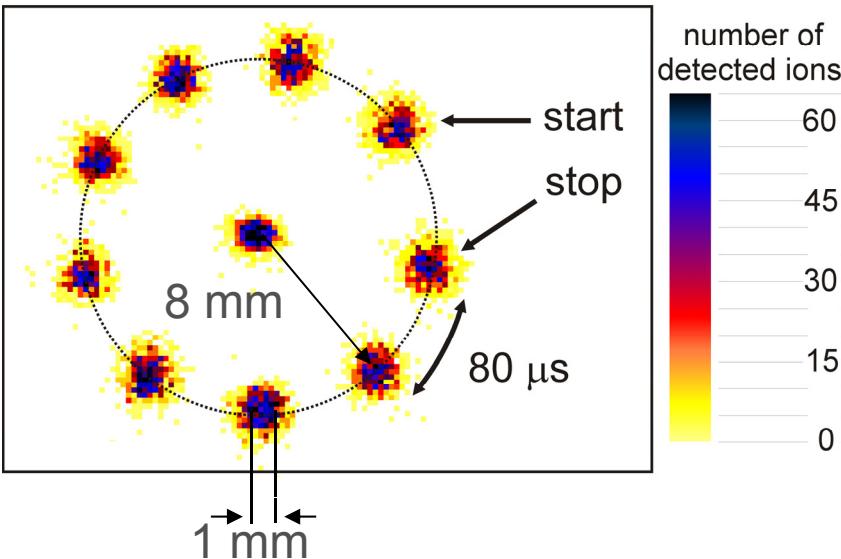


M. Block et al., Nature 463, 785 (2010), M. Dworschak et al., Phys. Rev. C 81, 064312 (2010)
E. Minaya Ramirez et al., Science 337, 1183 (2012)

Recent Breakthrough in Mass Spectrometry



Spatially resolved detection



ARTICLE

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Isotope dependence of the Zeeman effect in lithium-like calcium

Florian Köhler^{1,2}, Klaus Blaum², Michael Block^{1,3,4}, Stanislav Chennarev^{2,5}, Sergey Eliseev², Dmitry A. Glazov^{5,6,7}, Mikhail Goncharov², Jiamin Hou², Anke Kracke², Dmitri A. Nesterenko⁸, Yuri N. Novikov^{2,5,8}, Wolfgang Quint¹, Enrique Minaya Ramirez², Vladimir M. Shabaev⁵, Sven Sturm², Andrey V. Volotka^{5,6} & Günter Werth⁹

PRL 115, 062501 (2015)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Direct Measurement of the Mass Difference of ^{163}Ho and ^{163}Dy Solves the Q -Value Puzzle for the Neutrino Mass Determination

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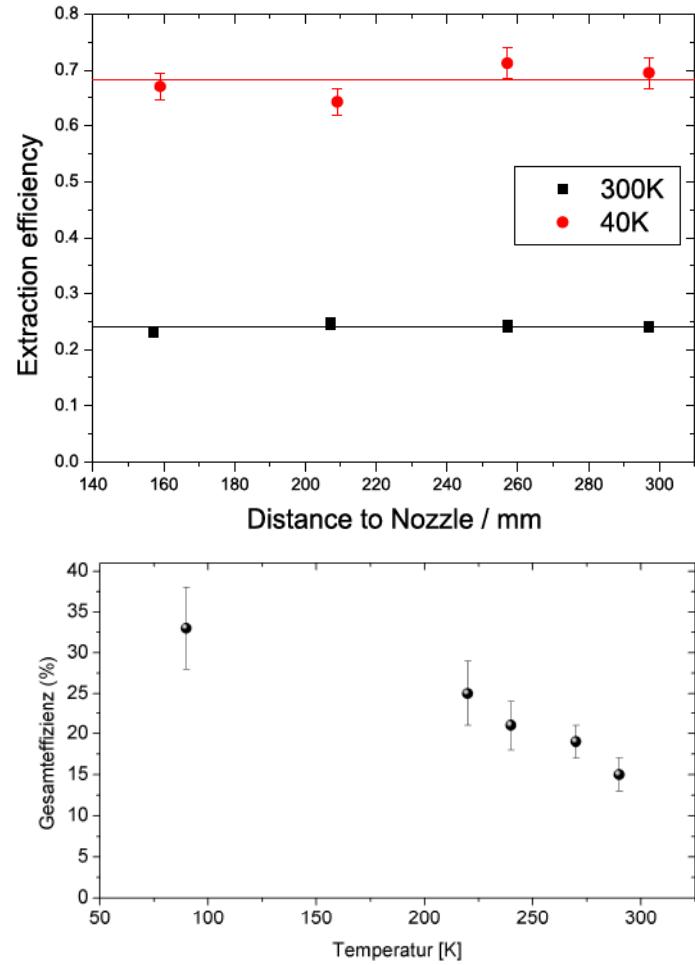
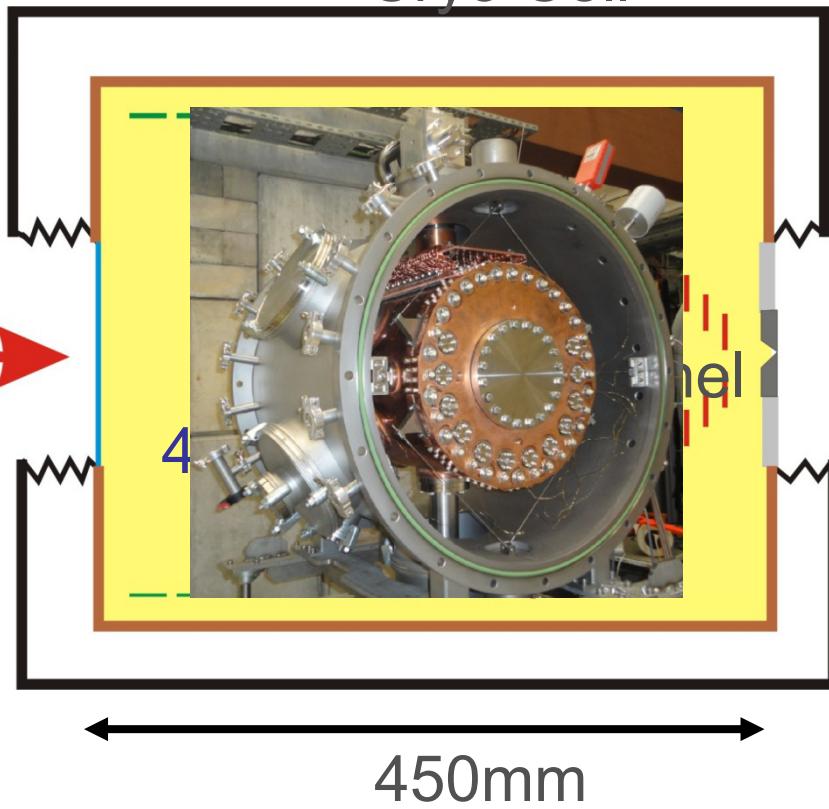
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The atomic mass difference of ^{163}Ho and ^{163}Dy has been directly measured with the Penning-trap mass spectrometer SHIPTRAP applying the novel phase-imaging ion-cyclotron-resonance technique. Our measurement has solved the long-standing problem of large discrepancies in the Q value of the electron capture in ^{163}Ho determined by different techniques. Our measured mass difference shifts the current Q value of 2555(16) eV evaluated in the Atomic Mass Evaluation 2012 [G. Audi *et al.*, Chin. Phys. C 36, 1157 (2012)] by more than 7σ to 2833(30_{stat}) eV/c². With the new mass difference it will be possible, e.g., to reach in the first phase of the ECHO experiment a statistical sensitivity to the neutrino mass below 10 eV, which will reduce its present upper limit by more than an order of magnitude.

- S. Eliseev et al., Phys. Brev. Lett., 105 (2013) 062501
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Cryogenic Gas Cell Commissioning

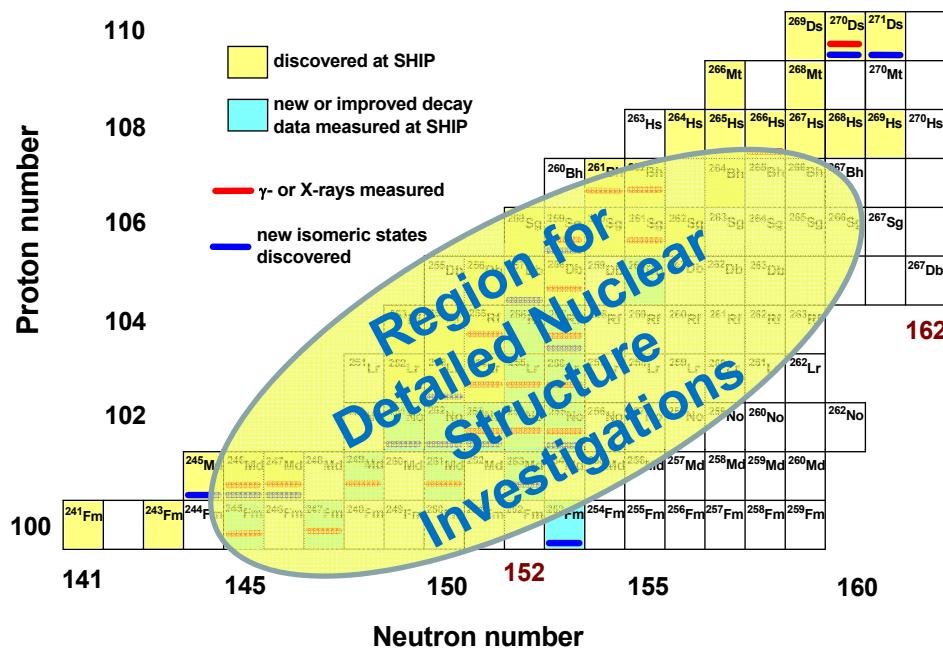
Cryo Cell



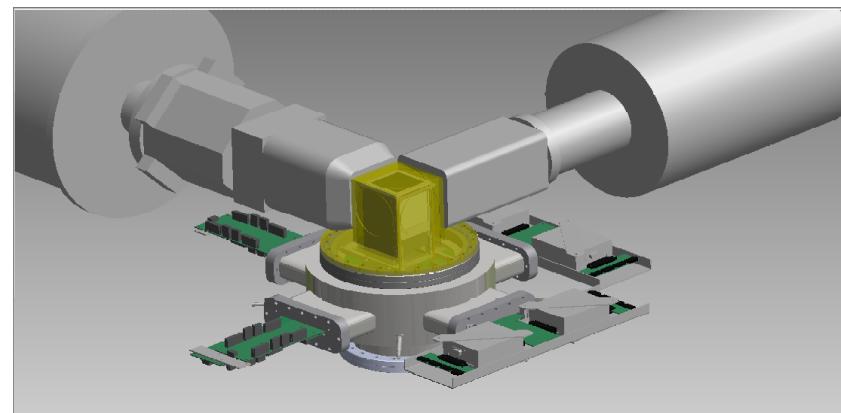
- Larger stopping volume and coaxial injection of reaction products
- Higher cleanliness due to cryogenic operation
- Efficiency increased by at least a factor of 4 compared to old gas cell

C. Droeze et al. NIM B 338, 126 (2014), O. Kaleja, Master Thesis TU Darmstadt (2016)

Nuclear spectroscopy of SHN at SHIP

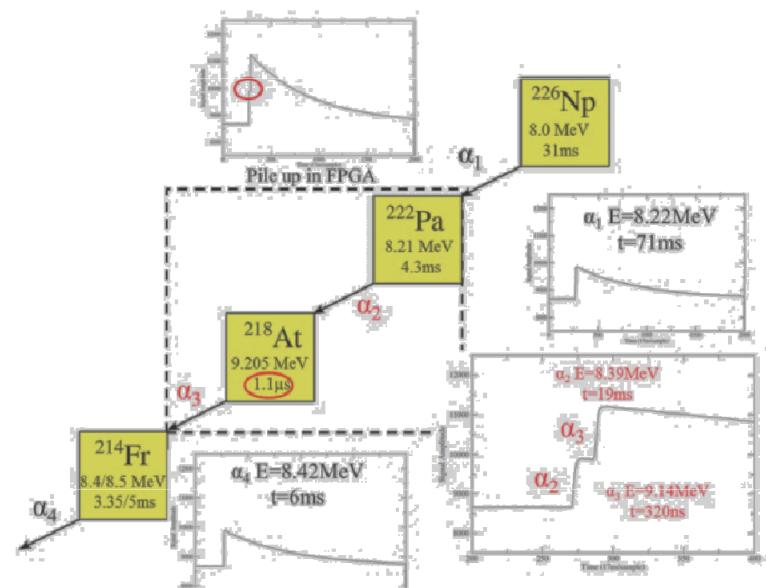


New SHIP Focal Plane Detector System
with digital data processing
✓ successfully commissioned in 2015/2016



particle (α , CE) – γ – spectroscopy

- Investigate strength and location of proton and neutron shells
- study isomeric states (K isomers)
- determine spontaneous fission properties
- challenge theoretical models



Beam requirements for POF-III (until 2020)

UNILAC beamtime: 50 Hz / 5 ms

Beamtime ~10-30 days per experiment

No search for new elements

Main projectiles:

^{22}Ne , ^{48}Ca (ECR), ^{50}Ti (ECR/PIG)

Energies:

up to 6 MeV/u, flexible energy selection in interval 4-6 MeV/u

Intensities: 1 $\mu\text{A}_{\text{particle}}$ (DC) on target

Parasitic beamtimes (5 Hz / 5 ms) für methods development and preparatory experiments

Beam requirements for POF-IV (2021+)

UNILAC beamtime: 50 Hz / 5 ms

100 days p.a. for experiments up to Z=118

cw-Linac: 100% duty cycle

Longer beamtimes, also for search beyond Z=118

Typical projectiles:

^{22}Ne , ^{23}Na , ^{26}Mg , ^{36}S , $^{40,44,48}\text{Ca}$, ^{50}Ti , $^{50,54}\text{Cr}$, ^{51}V , ^{64}Ni , ^{136}Xe , ^{238}U

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