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Gamma decay of pygmy states from inelastic scattering of ions

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□ Motivation

E1 strength at particle threshold: the Pygmy Dipole Resonance

□ Heavy Ion (^{17}O) Inelastic scattering

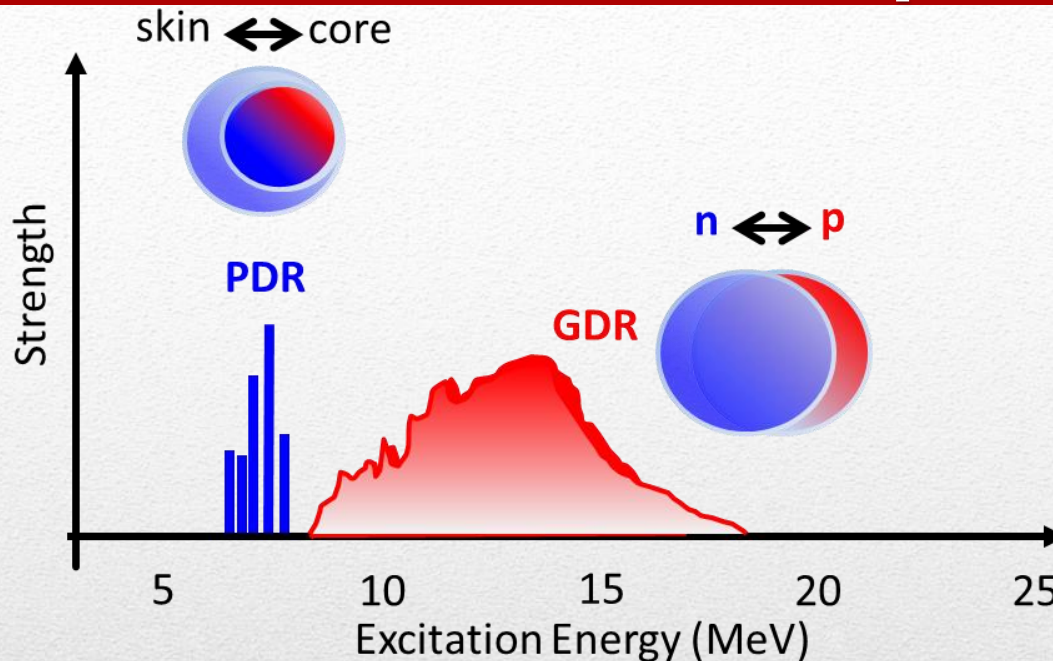
- *Results of experiments with AGATA at LNL-INFN (^{90}Zr , ^{124}Sn , ^{208}Pb , ^{140}Ce)*

□ Light Ion (α , p) Inelastic Scattering

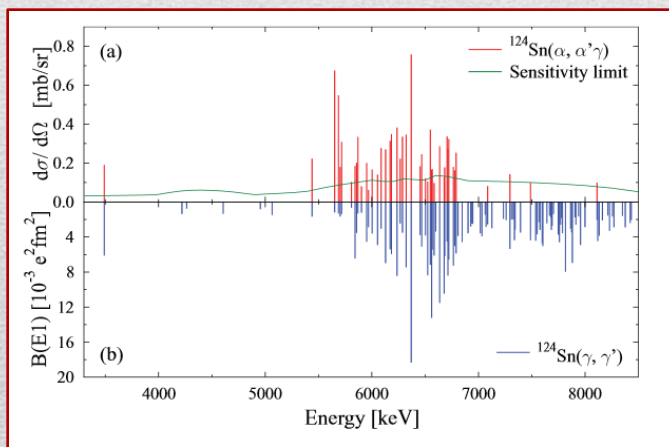
- *Preliminary results from experiments at RCNP (Osaka) with CAGRA (+LaBr:Ce) and Grand Raiden*

□ Conclusions

Nuclear Structure information from the E1 response in Nuclei



The splitting in the population of the states reveals a different underlying structure

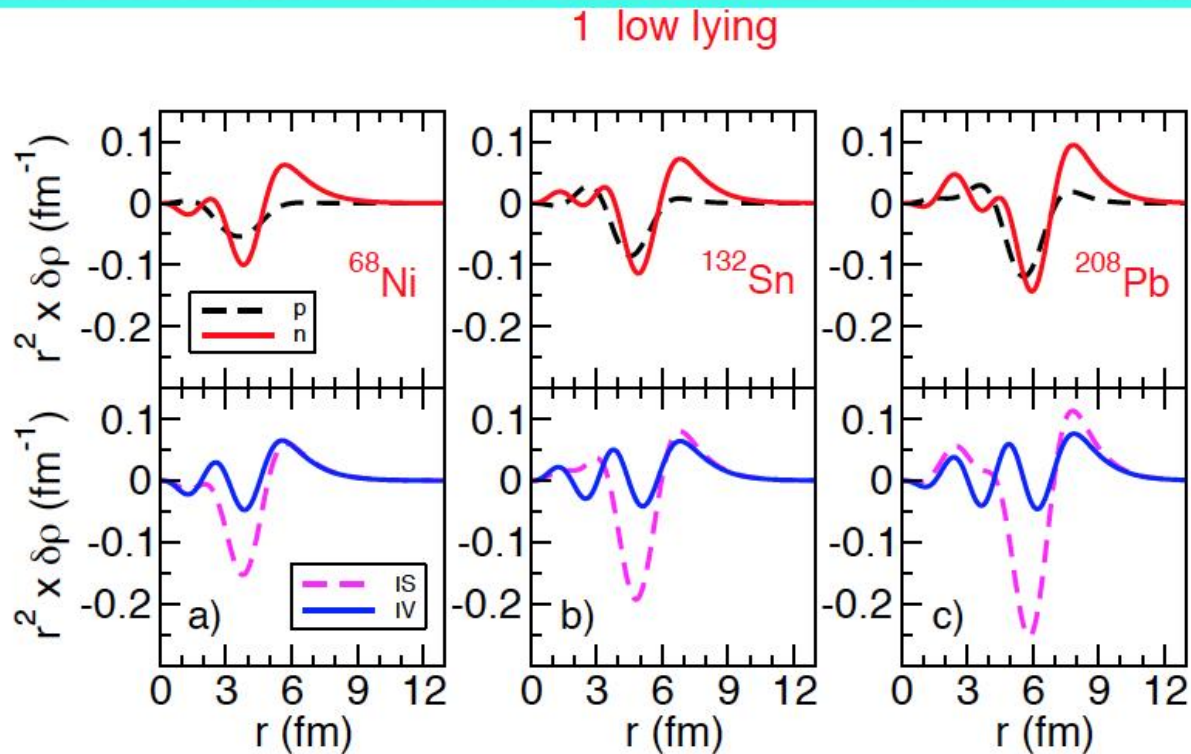


- ❑ low energy part → **isoscalar character** (*neutron-skin oscillations*)
- ❑ high-energy states → **isovector nature** (*transition towards the GDR*)

(* figure from J. Endres et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 212503 (2010)
See also e.g. "Experimental studies of the Pygmy Dipole Resonance"
D. Savran, T. Aumann, A. Zilges – Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys., 70(2013)210

One interesting problem for pygmy states is the **cross section sensitivity to transition densities** containing the nuclear structure information...

Transition Densities



The low lying peaks have the same features: n and p transition densities are in phase inside the nucleus; at the surface only the neutron part survive.

➤ **Interesting to use a probe interacting mainly at the surface !!!**

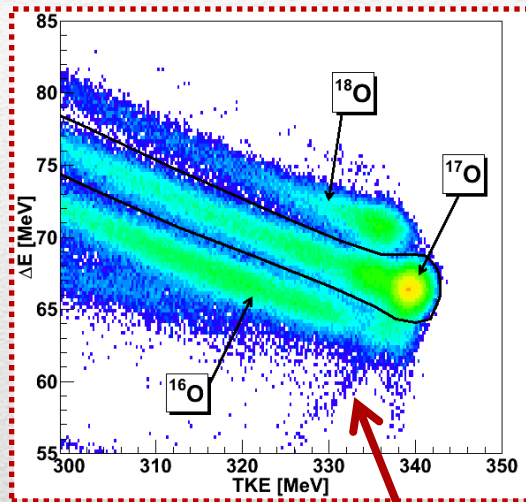
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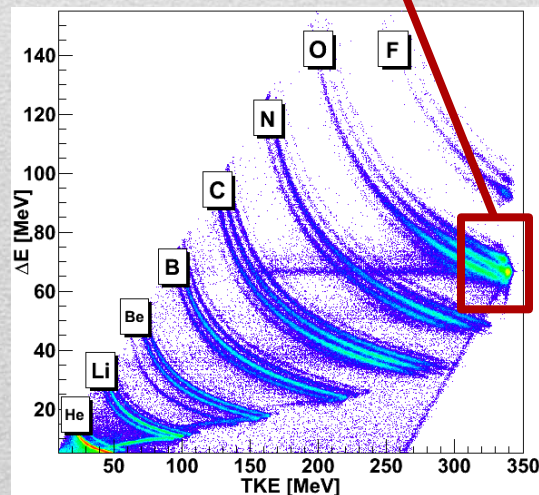
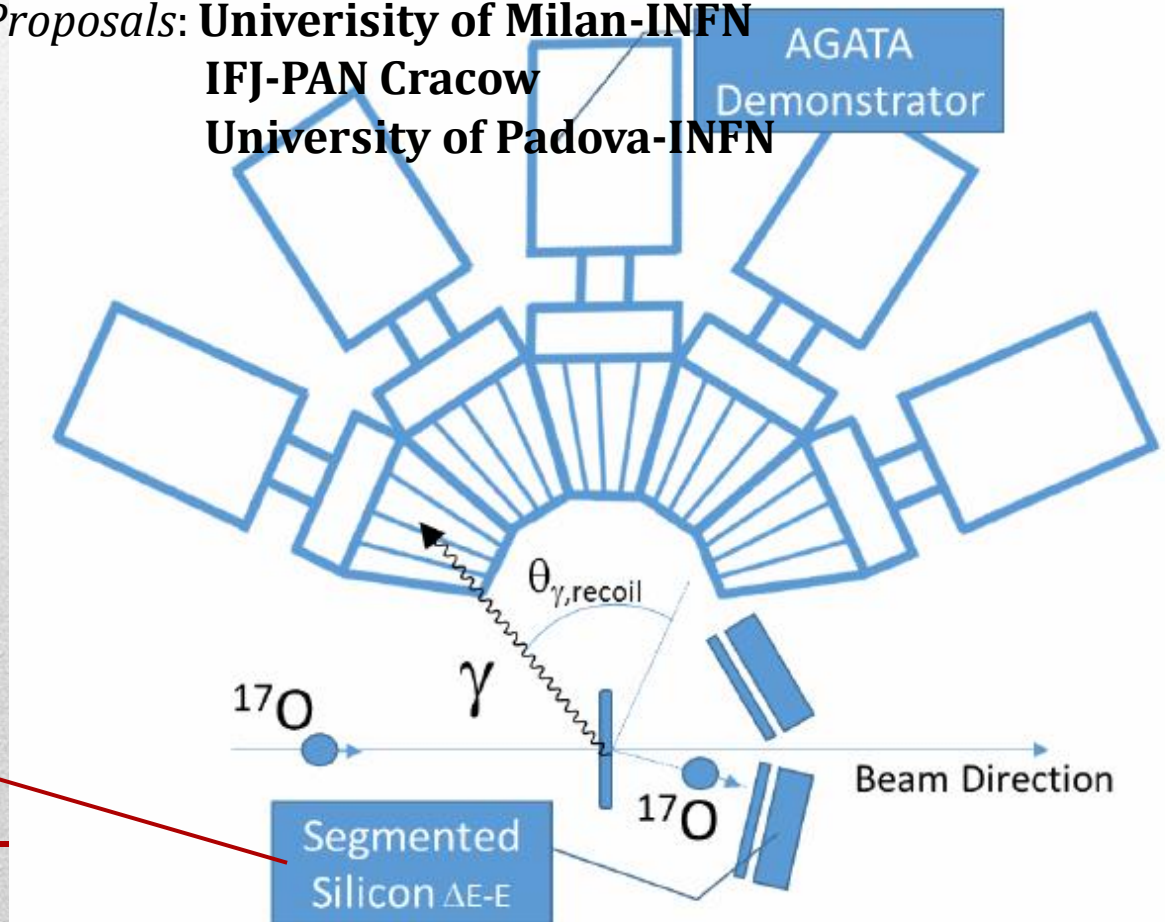
Experimental Technique

Inelastic scattering of ^{17}O @ 20 MeV/u on different targets + γ -rays in coincidence

- Large cross-section for the population of the giant resonance region
- ^{17}O is loosely bound ($S_n = 4.1$ MeV)
- Clean removal of projectile excitation



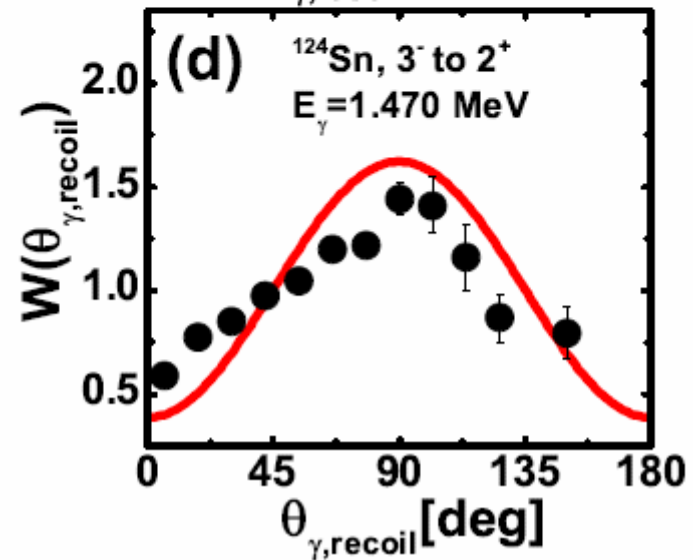
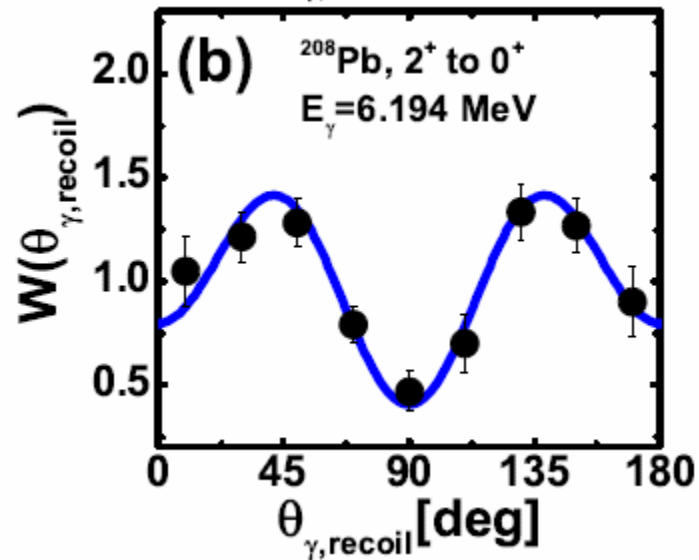
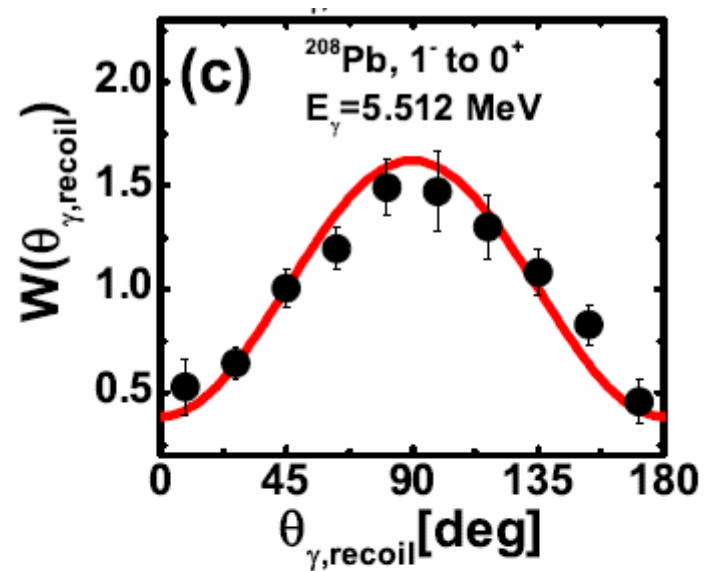
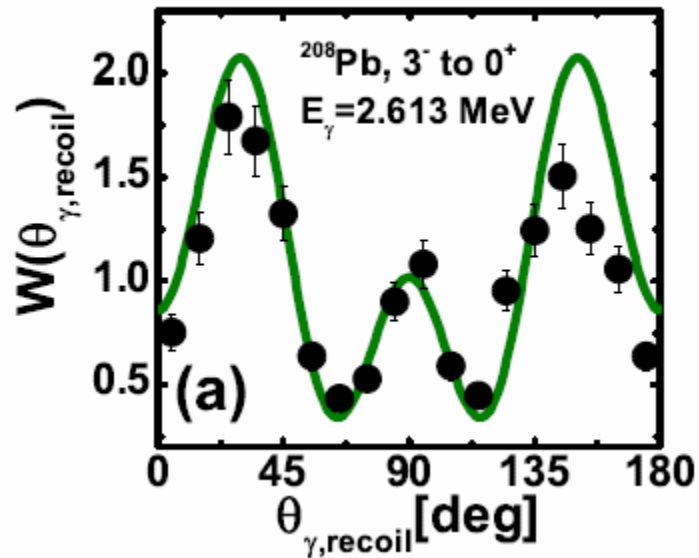
Experiments at Legnaro,
Proposals: **University of Milan-INFN**
IFJ-PAN Cracow
University of Padova-INFN



Silicon Detectors, D. Mengoni NIMA 764(2014)241

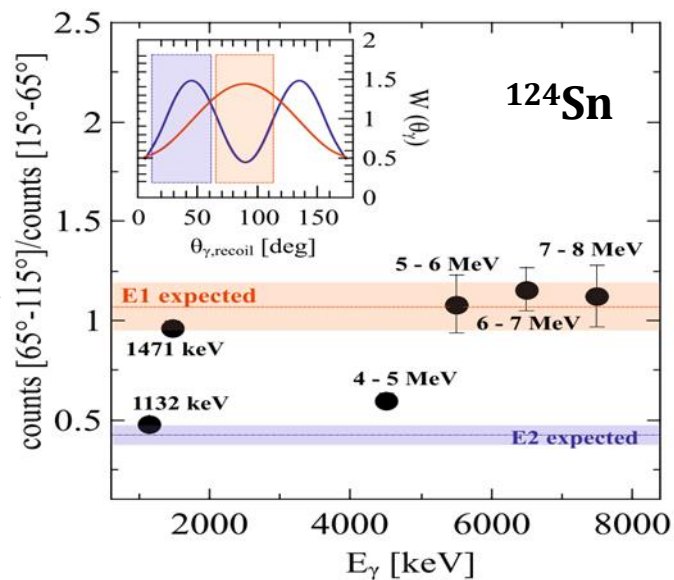
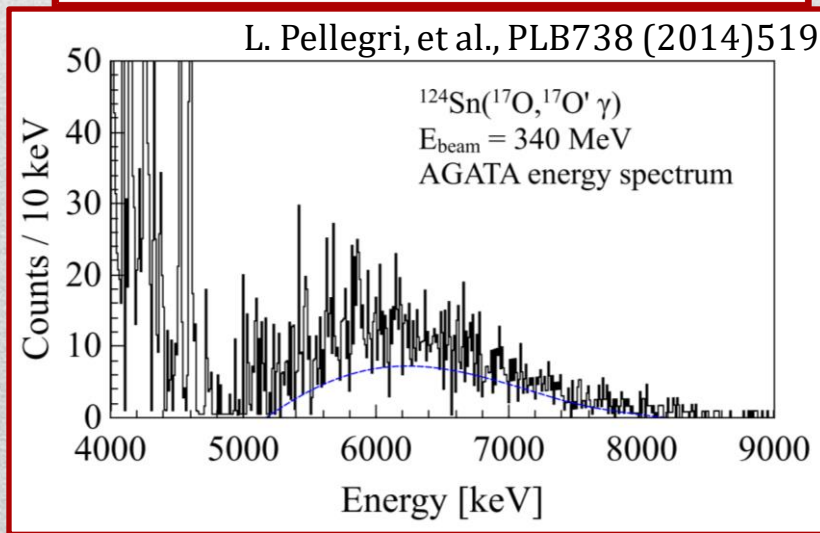
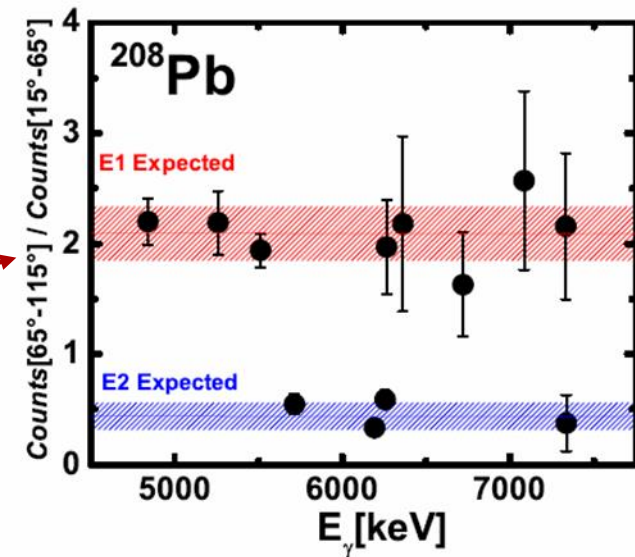
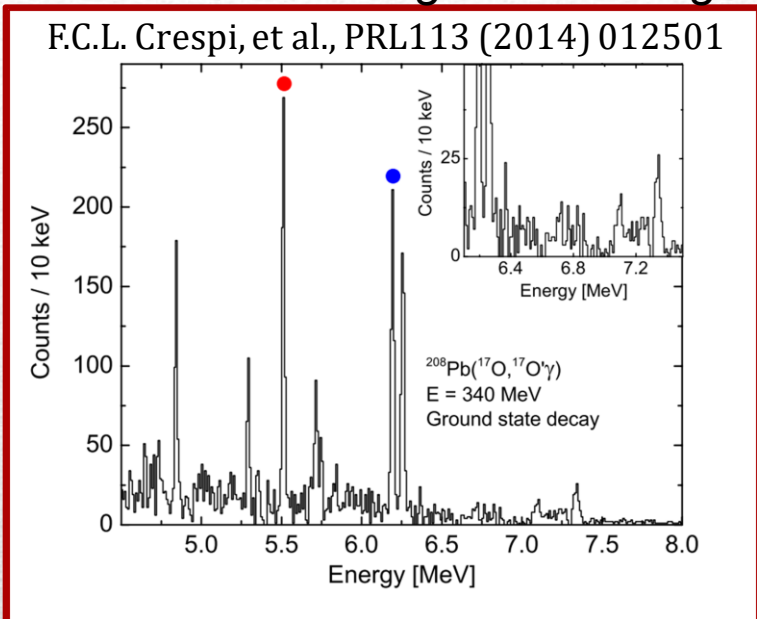
Angular distribution of γ -rays

Angular Distribution of γ 's obtained exploiting **position sensitivity** of **AGATA** and **E- Δ E Si telescopes** (pixel type)



Identification of the Multipolarity

In contrast with light ions, for ^{17}O the pattern of the differential cross section for inelastic scattering as a function on angle does not characterize well the multipolarity of the excited states \rightarrow angular dist. of gamma-rays



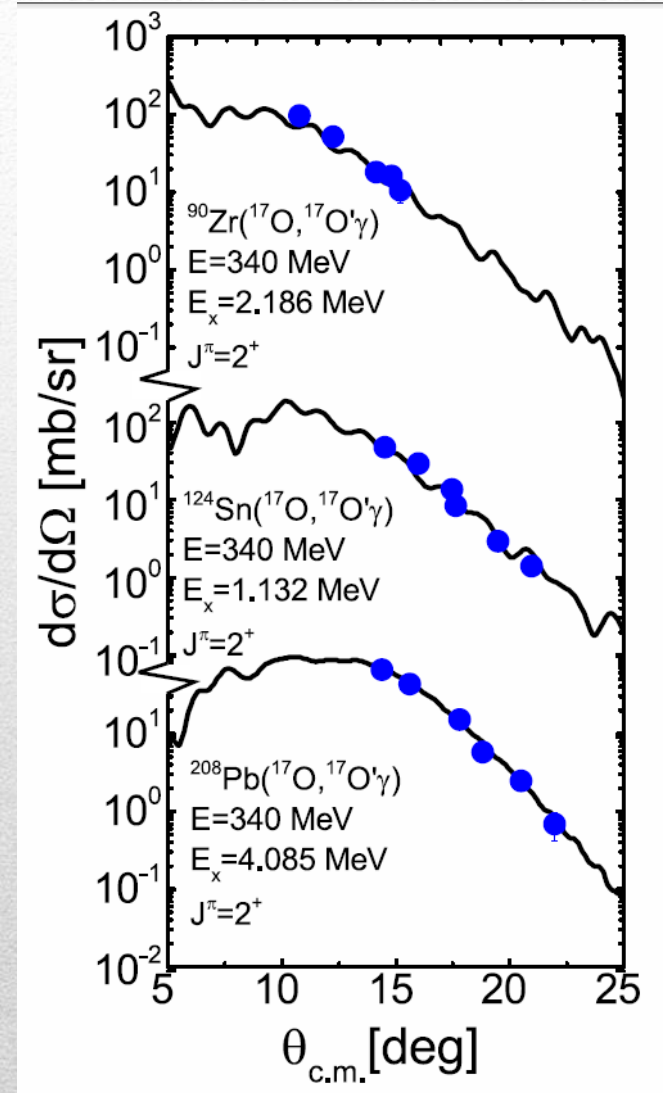
Angular distributions of the scattered ^{17}O ions-INELASTIC SCATTERING

Differential cross sections were determined for excitation of the 2^+ states in ^{90}Zr , ^{124}Sn , ^{208}Pb

The solid curve results from DWBA calculations using optical model potential parameters determined from the elastic data

In agreement with measurements at similar beam energy**

- The $B(E2)$ is known from other works*
- These calculations were obtained assuming pure isoscalar excitation implying that the ratio of the neutron matrix element and the proton matrix element is given by $M_n / M_p = N/Z$



* (e,e') and (γ,γ') experiments, see e.g.: <http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/ensdf/>

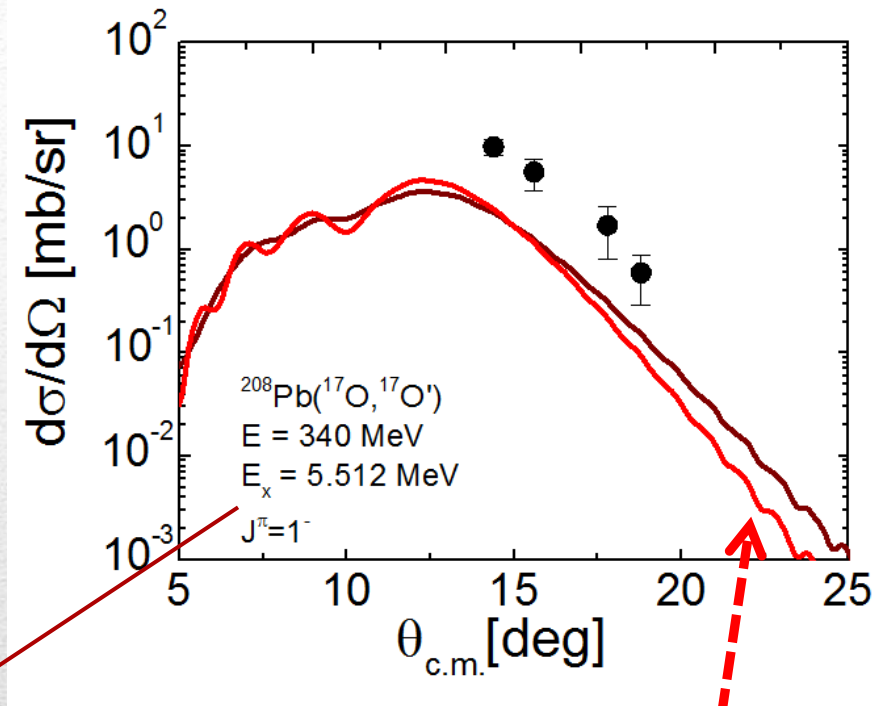
**for the case of ^{208}Pb : D.J. Horen et al. PRC44(1991)128

1- states in ^{208}Pb

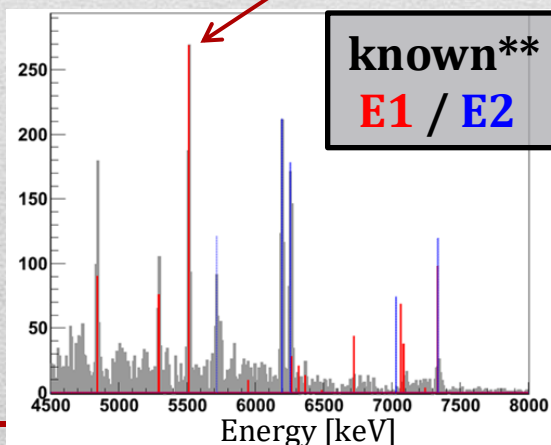
The calculation accounts only for a fraction of the measured yield

Why?

Calculations obtained using a standard form factor are found to be very similar to the Coulomb excitation alone



To understand the measured E1 cross sections, we have to perform DWBA calculations with a different type of nuclear form factor

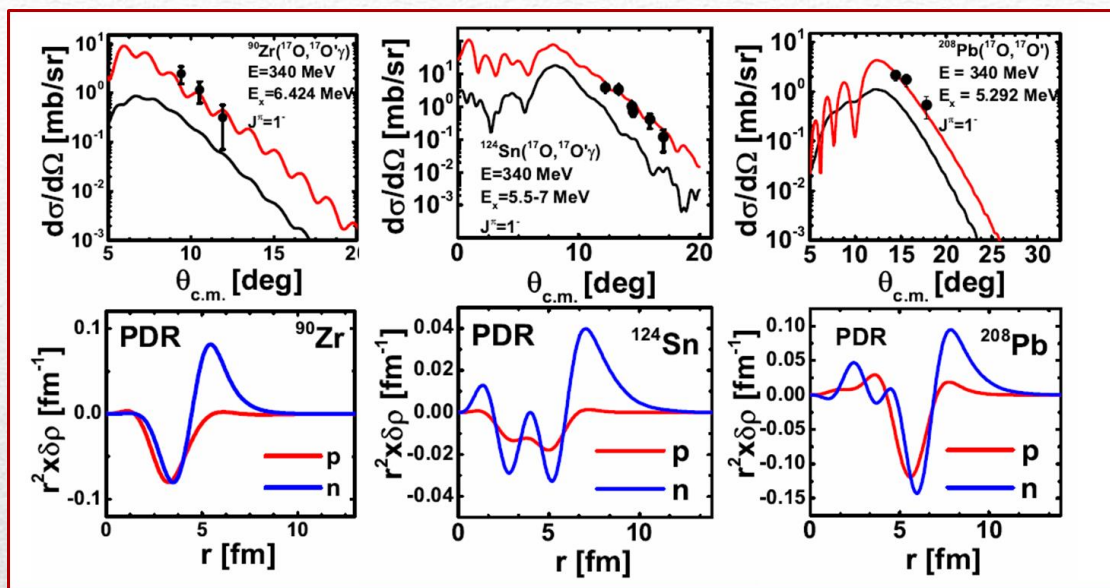


The Coulomb excitation cross section based on the $B(E1)\uparrow$ values known from $(\gamma,\gamma)^{**}$ have been calculated

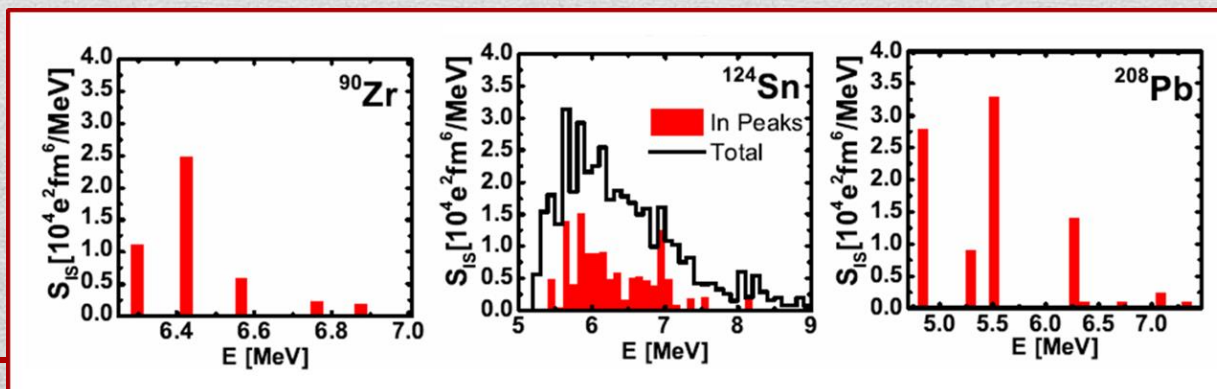
** photon scattering experiments:
 N. Ryezayeva
 et al PRL89(2002)272502,
 T. Shizuma et al. PRC78(2008)061303

Results on the Low-Lying E1 Strength

- DWBA calculation were performed (red solid lines) using microscopic form factors based on the transition density associated to the E1 PDR states

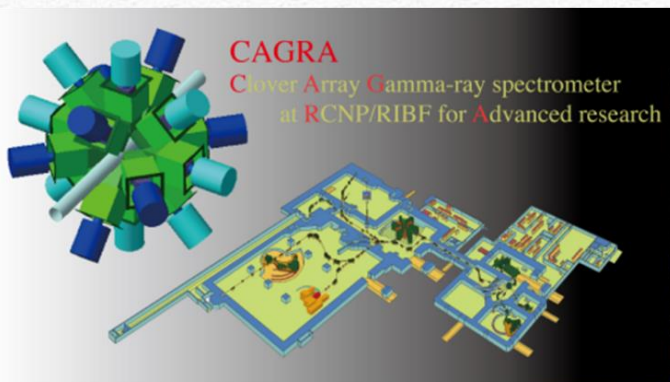


- The main objective of the data analysis was the extraction of the values of the **isoscalar strength** from the measured cross section



Experimental campaign at RCNP Osaka (October-December 2016)

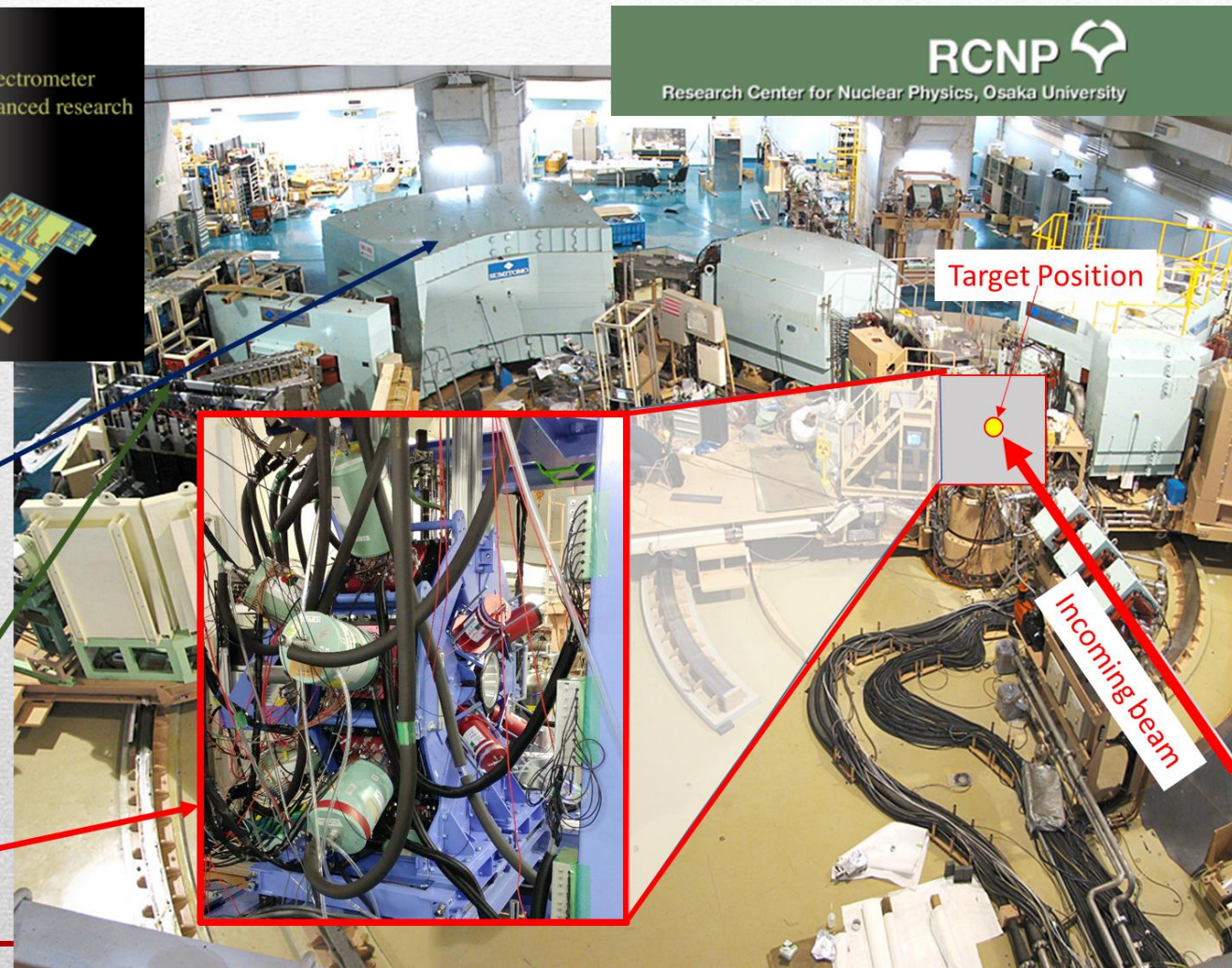
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- - Spokespersons A. Bracco, F. Crespi and N. Pietralla



Grand Raiden Spectrometer
Resolution: 37,000
Momentum Byte: 1.05
Acceptance: 5.6 msr

Focal Plane Detector
2 VDC Systems
2 Trigger Scintillators

Gamma Detection System
CAGRA
- 12 CLOVERS
- 4 LaBr₃:Ce 3,5''x8''

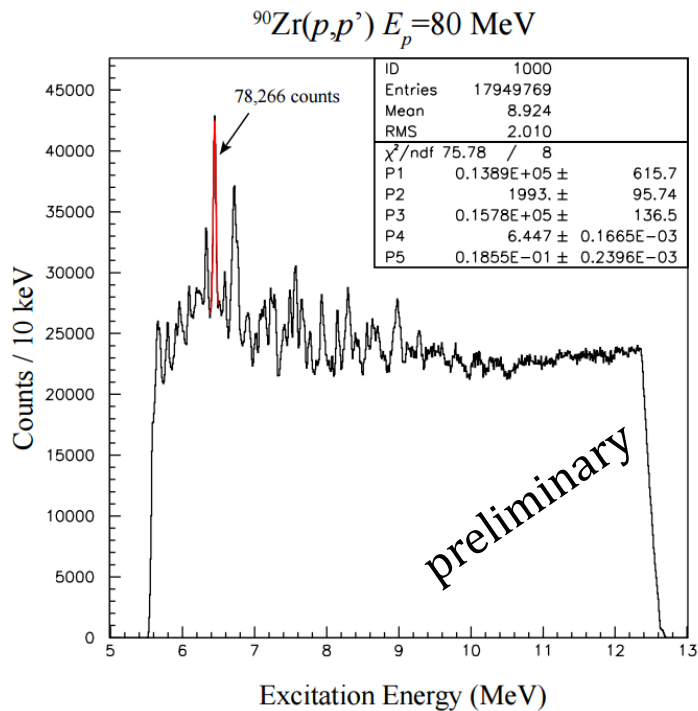


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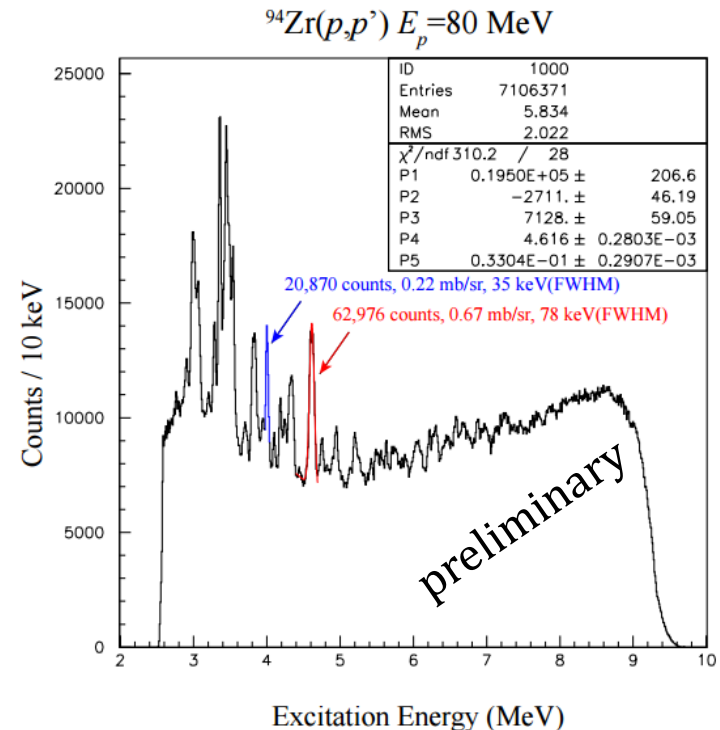
$^{94}\text{Zr}(p, p')$

- Grand Raiden 6.63 deg
- Target thickness: 4.0 mg/cm²
- Solid angle: $\sim 4 \text{ msr}$
- Energy resolution: 44 keV
- DAQ Live: 99%

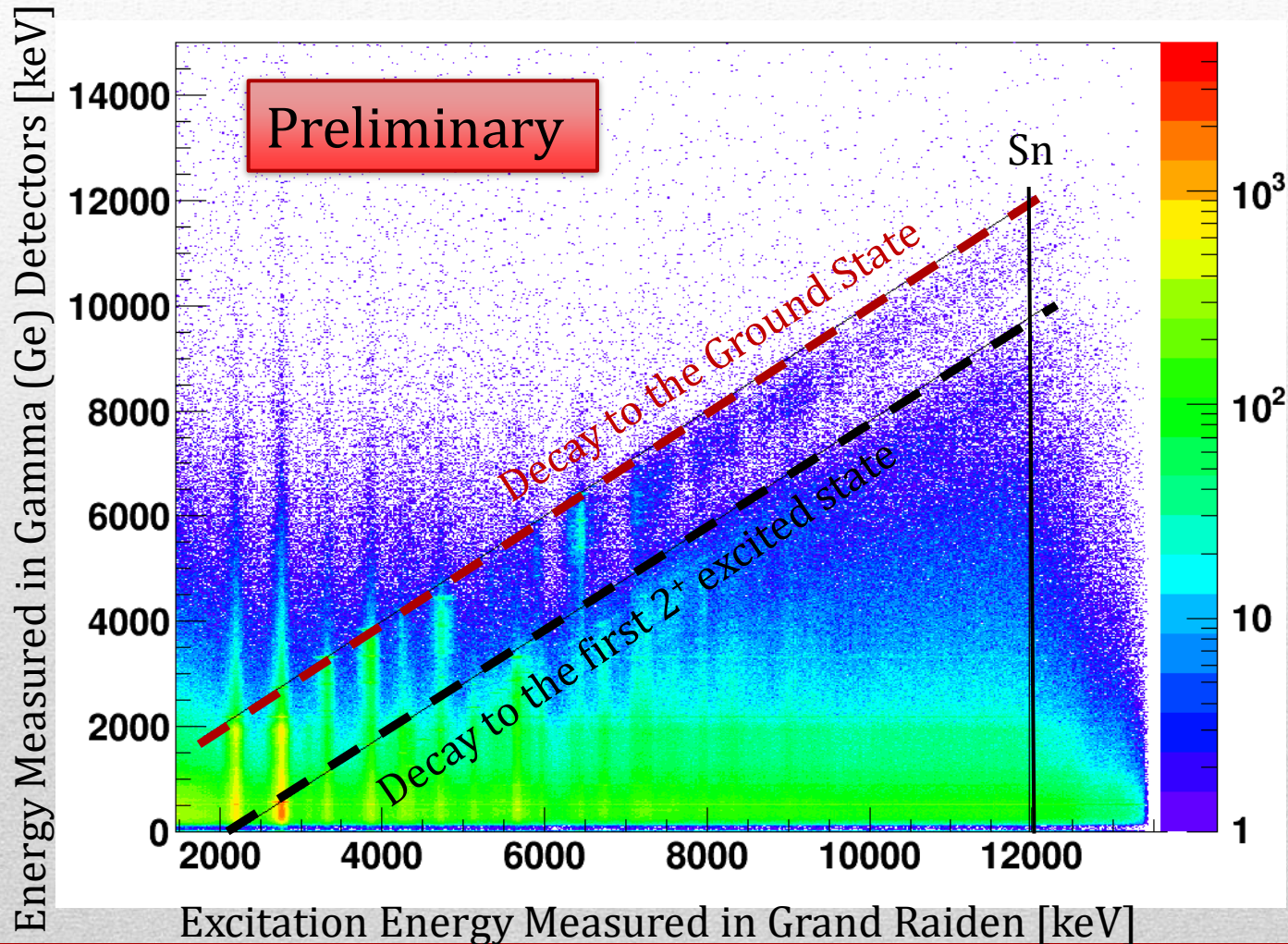


$^{90}\text{Zr}(p, p')$

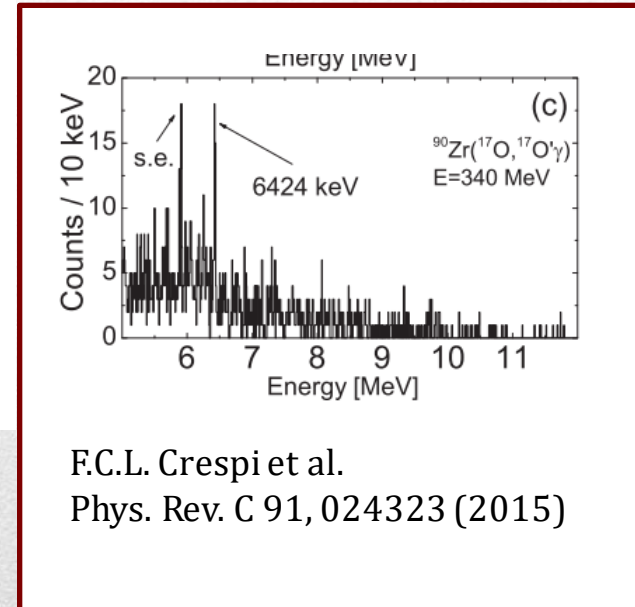
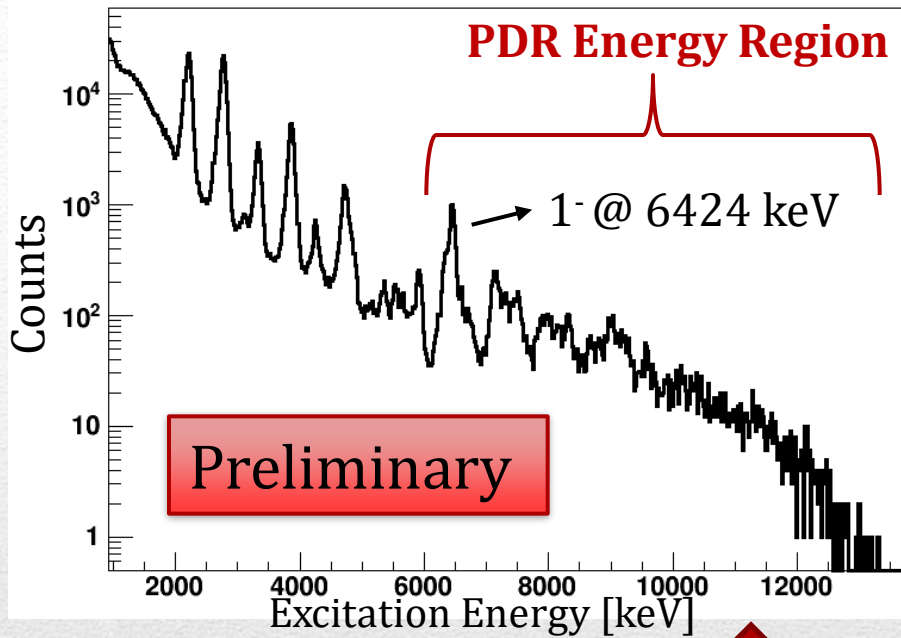
- Grand Raiden 6.63 deg
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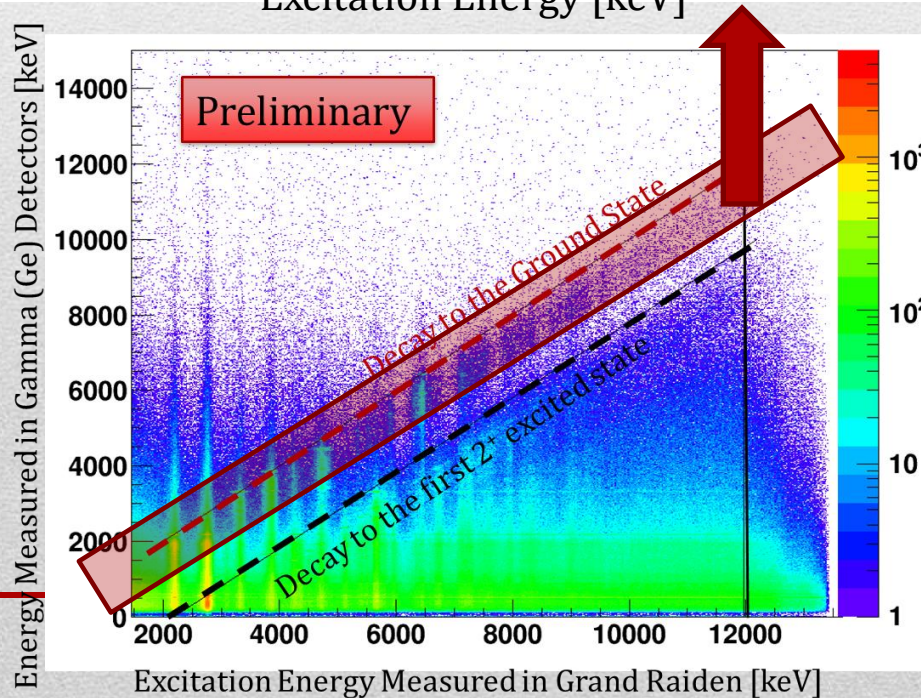
- light-ion inelastic scattering with the high-resolution spectrometer Grand-Raiden in coincidence with gamma-ray detection



$(\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$ Reaction in ^{90}Zr , $E_{\alpha} = 130\text{ MeV}$

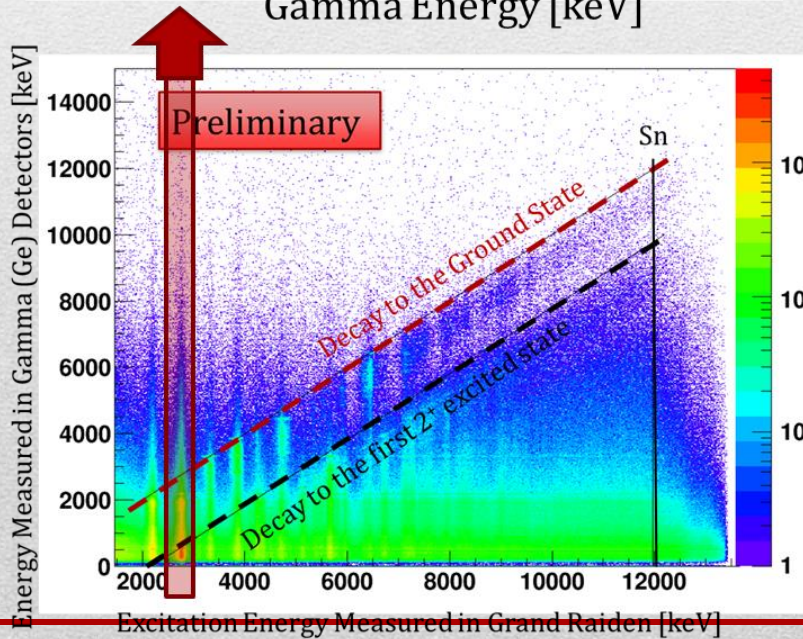
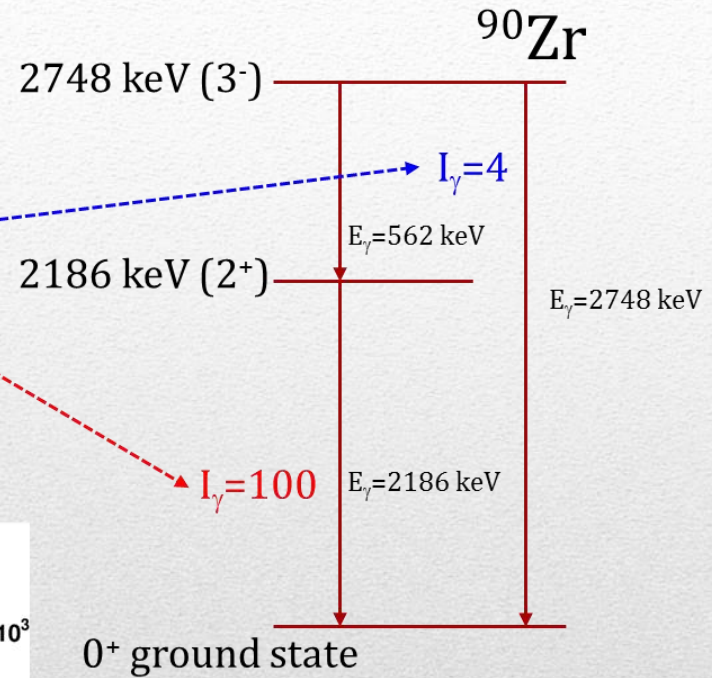
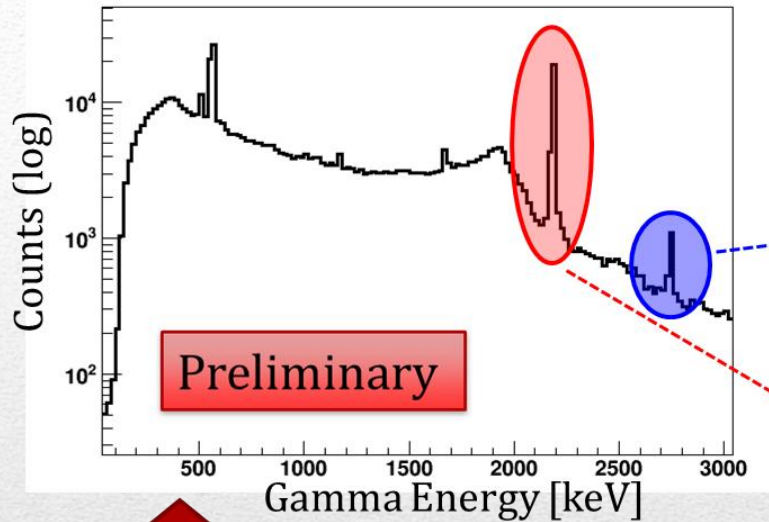


F.C.L. Crespi et al.
Phys. Rev. C 91, 024323 (2015)



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Branching Ratio



* E_{γ} and I_{γ} values from:
<https://www.nndc.bnl.gov>

❑ **Isospin Properties of pygmy dipole states investigated using the $(^{17}\text{O}, ^{17}\text{O}'\gamma)$ reaction at 340 MeV**

For 1^- transitions a form factor obtained by folding a microscopically calculated transition density (PDR) allowed to reproduce the data remarkably well

➤ *Extracted the isoscalar component of the 1^- excited states*

❑ **Preliminary results from light-ion inelastic scattering experiments at RCNP**

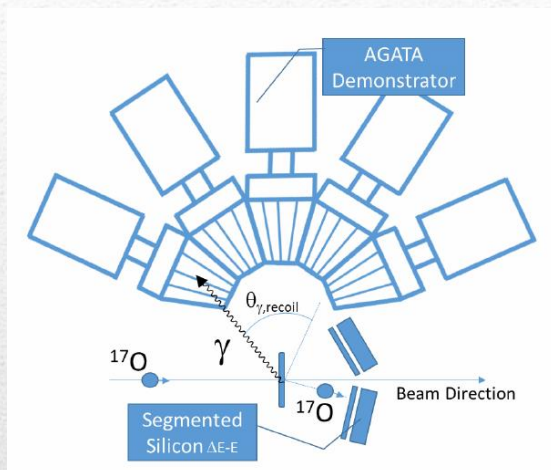
➤ Population of the PDR states

➤ Analysis still in preliminary phase (Ge and LaBr data for all the runs, background subtraction, add-back for Ge,...)

Collaborations

Experiments performed with AGATA at LNL-INFN

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