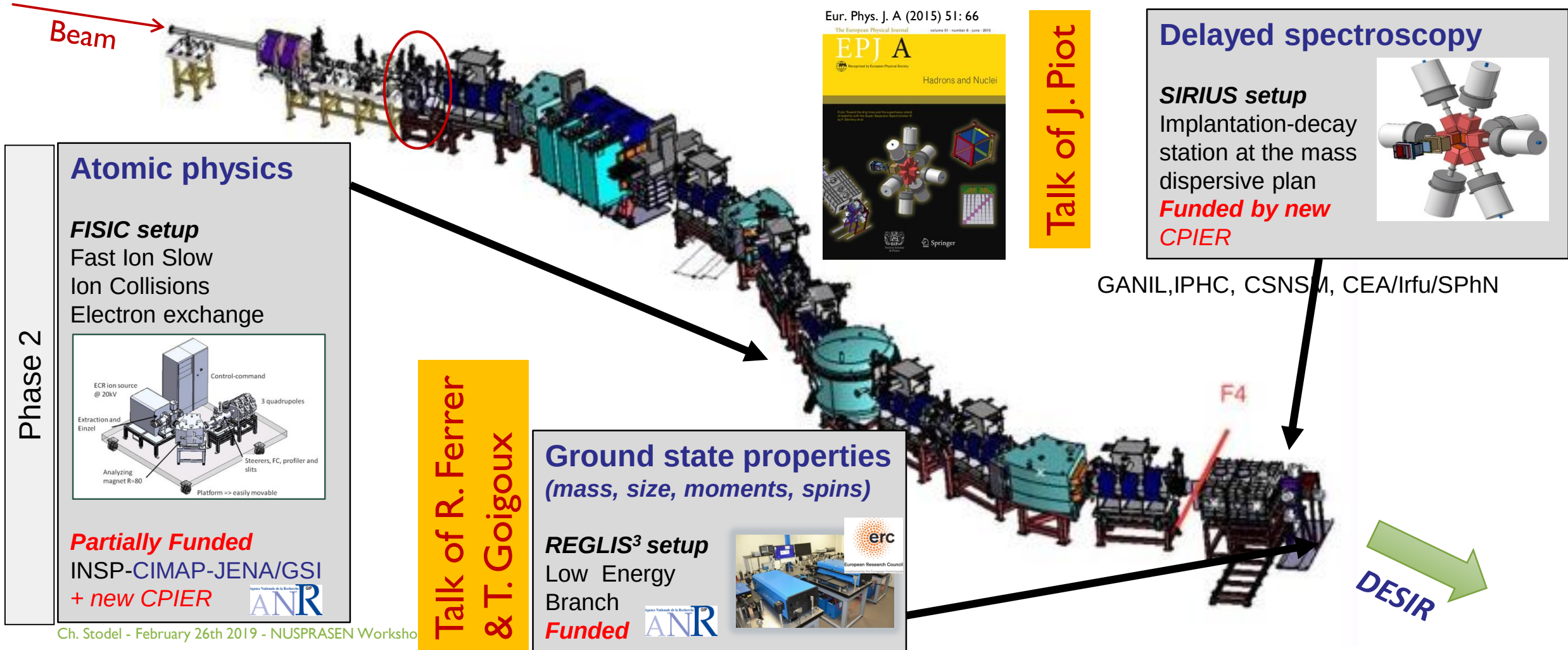


TARGET DEVELOPMENT FOR S³

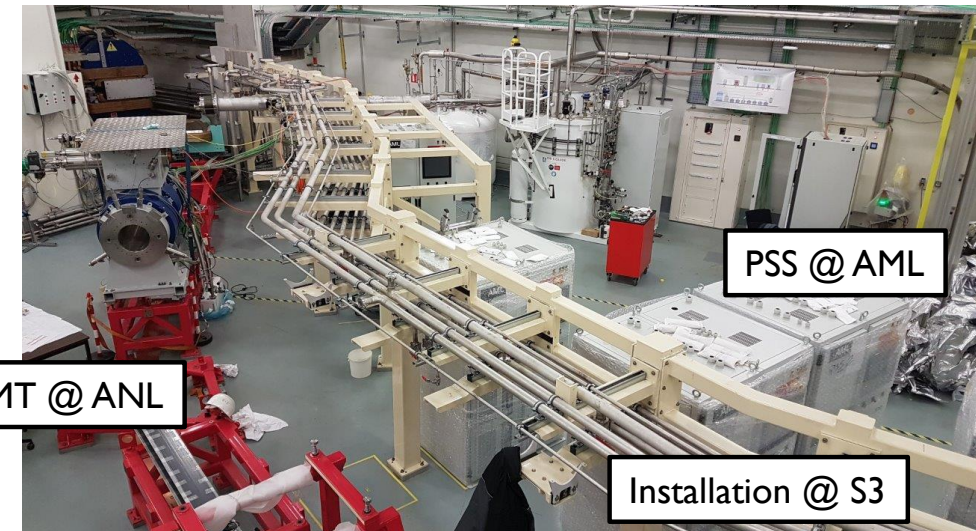
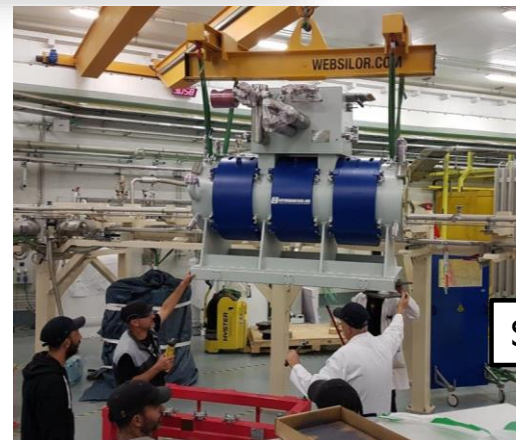
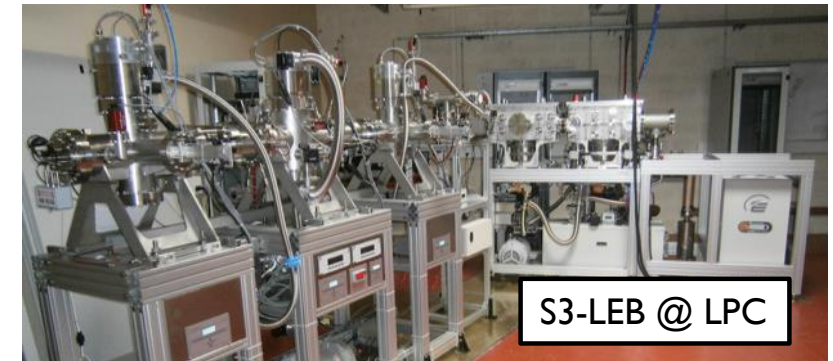
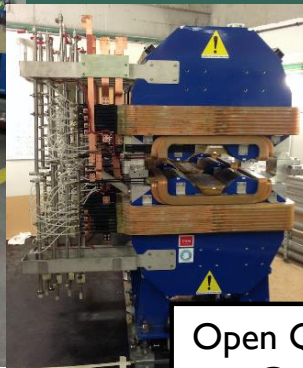
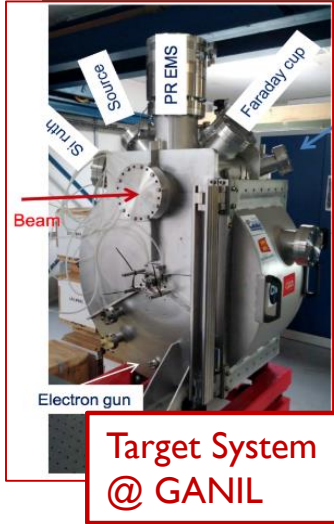
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K. EBERHADRT, JGU MAINZ; B. LOMMEL ET AL, GSI; C. CANNES, IPNO; N. CLAVIER, ICSM

- I - S³
 - ✓ Context
 - ✓ Stations
 - ✓ Monitoring
- II - Issues on Targets' Fabrication
- III - Conclusions

S³ : SUPER SEPARATOR SPECTROMETER for the study of rare events for atomic and nuclear physics



Full assembly & tests planned in 2020

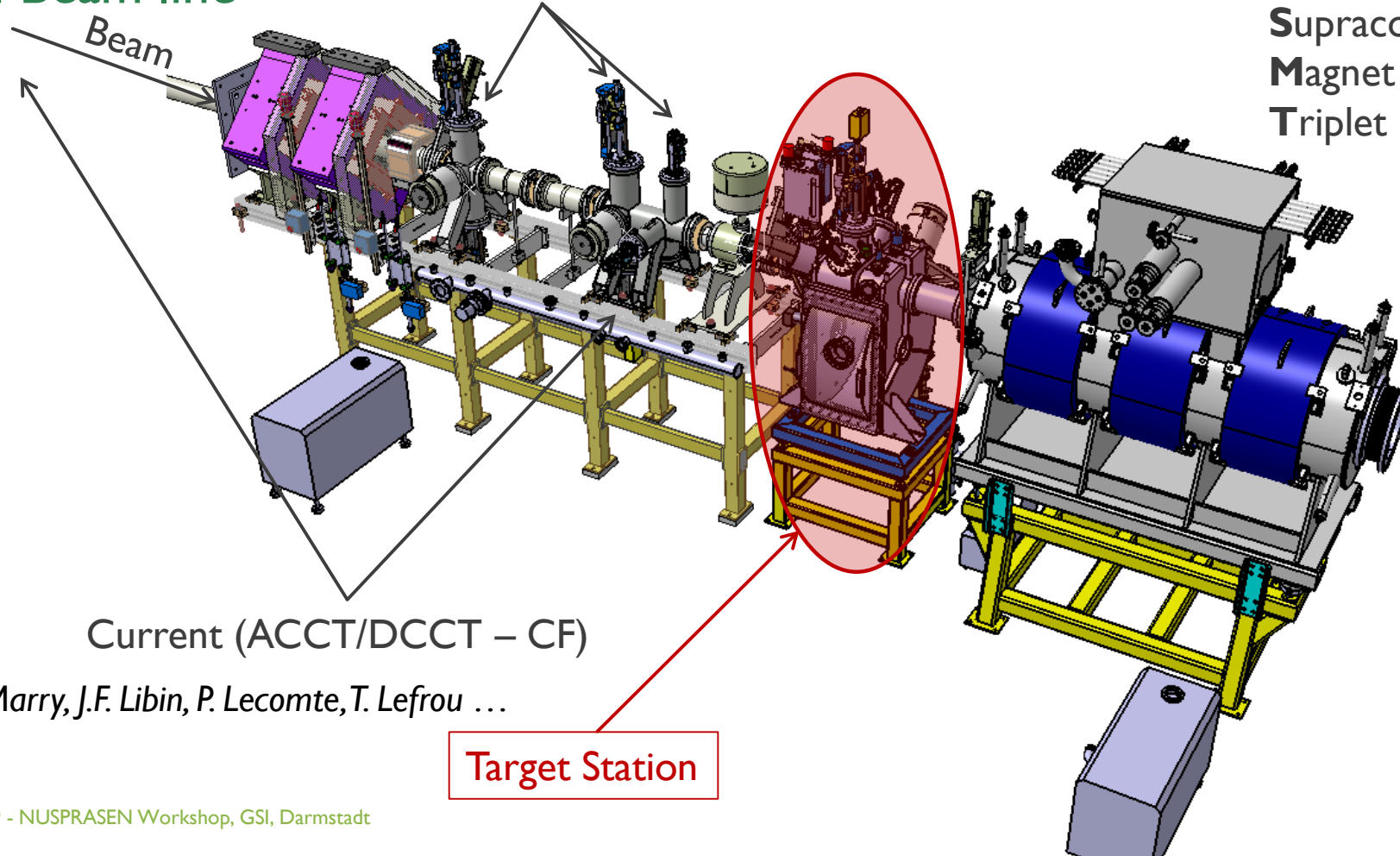


S³ : SUPER SEPARATOR SPECTROMETER – PART I == TARGETS

Upstream Beam line

Beam Position (PFE, MIGR, EMS)

Supraconducting
Magnet
Triplet



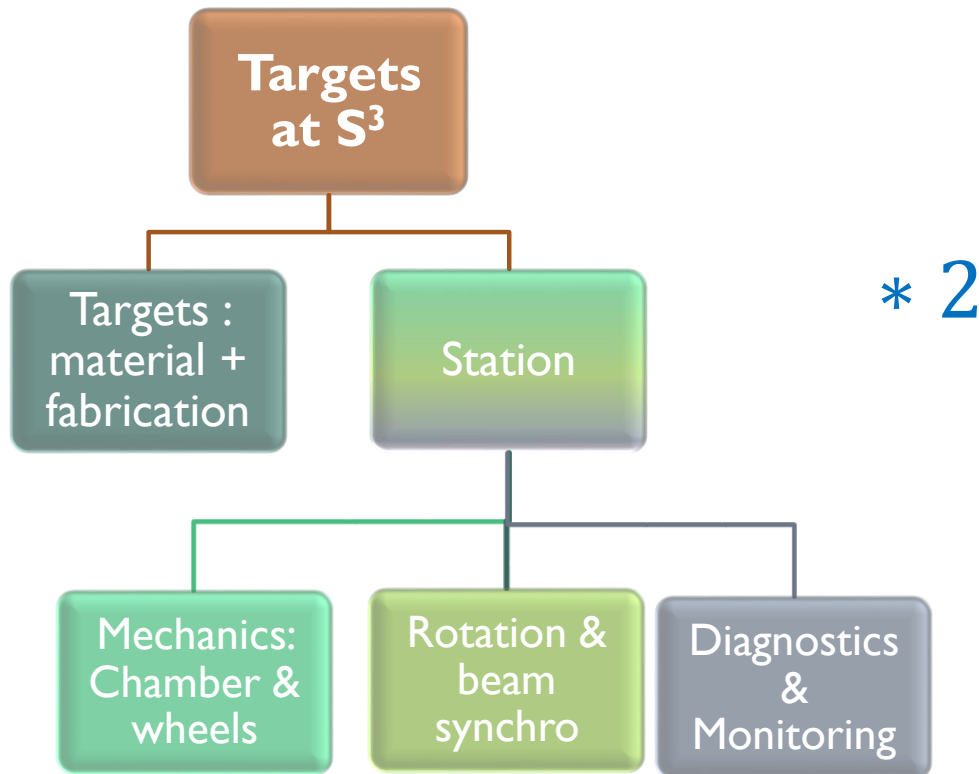
Current (ACCT/DCCT – CF)

F. Lutton, P. Gangnant, C. Marry, J.F. Libin, P. Lecomte, T. Lefrou ...

Target Station

WORKPACKAGE « TARGETS @ S3 »

- Aim: Development & exploitation of targets for S³, including the station, while ensuring their integrity



- Targets @ S3 for 1st day Experiments

- Low Energy Branch

⁵⁰Cr (1 mg/cm² = 110 W), ⁵⁸Ni, ^{nat}Zn, ⁹⁶Mo, ¹⁷⁵Lu, ^{178,180}Hf,

²⁰⁶⁻²⁰⁸Pb, ²⁰⁹Bi, ²⁰⁸Pb (250 μg/cm² = 6 W),

²³⁸U (250 μg/cm² = 3,4 W)

- SIRIUS

⁵⁸Ni, ¹⁶⁴Yb/¹⁷⁰Er, ⁹⁶Ru, ⁹²Mo, ²⁰⁶Pb, ²⁰⁹Bi, ²⁰⁴Pb (PbS) (300-500 μg/cm² = 30 W), ²⁰⁷Pb (PbS) (400 μg/cm² = 54 W), ²⁰⁸Pb (PbS) (375 μg/cm² = 6,4 W), ²⁰⁹Bi (Bi203) (440 μg/cm² = 8 W),

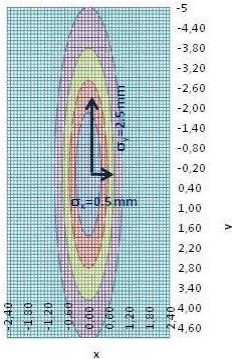
²³²Th (400 μm = 150 W), ²³⁸U,

²⁴⁸Cm (200-300 μg/cm² (+Ti 1,5 μm) = 45-63 W), ²⁴³Am (350 μg/cm² (+Ti 1,5 μm) = 150 W)

STABLE TARGET STATION

- **Aim:** Development & exploitation of targets for S³, including the station, while ensuring their integrity

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_t &= 0.5 \text{ mm} \\ \sigma_r &= 2.5 \text{ mm} \\ I &= 10 \text{ }\mu\text{A}\end{aligned}$$



Targets Fabrication

Thickness $\pm 5\%$

- ✓ SHE: 300-500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
N=Z : mg/cm^2
Stripper: 30-100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
- ✓ 109*20 mm²

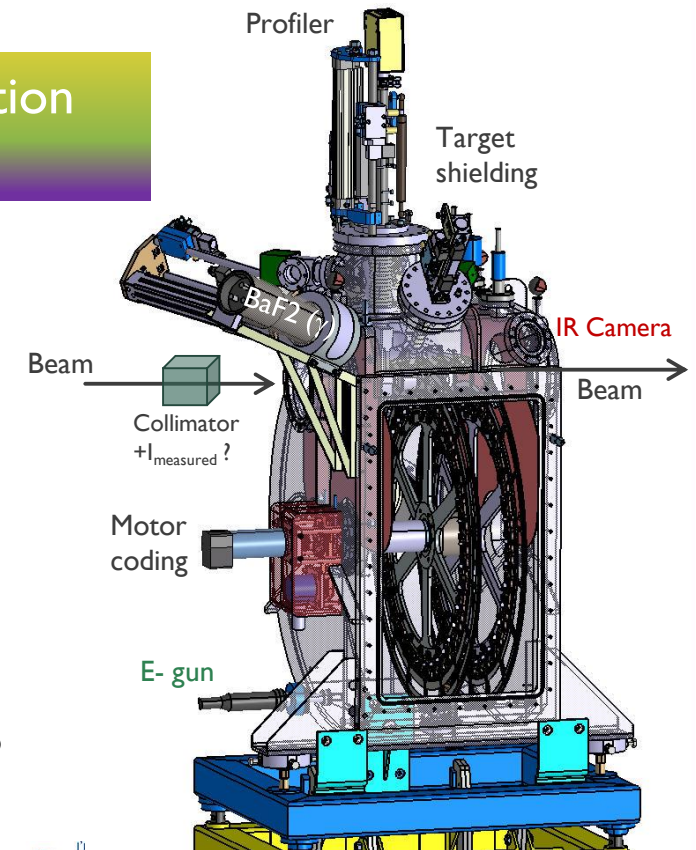


Stable Target Station & diagnostics

Thermal calculation

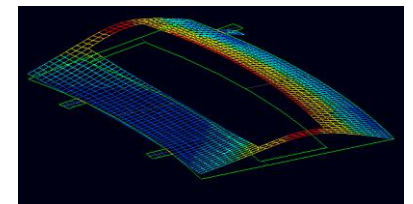
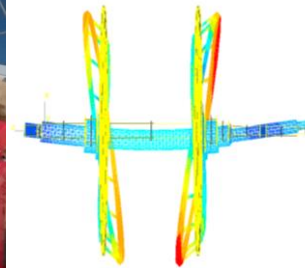
$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= 670 \text{ mm} \\ \omega &= 3000 \text{ rpm}\end{aligned}$$

- ✓ Vacuum : 10⁻⁷ / 5*10⁻⁸ mbar
- ✓ Distance : 900 mm max
- ✓ Height under beam : 1500 mm $\pm$ 15
- ✓ Removable sectors
- ✓ Movable and adjustable station



MECHANICS (STABLE): CHAMBER & WHEELS

- Achievements 2014-16:
 - Conception/Fabrication
 - Vacuum definition & material
 - Vibratory Analysis (SAMCEF): frames, axis, wheels*
 - Wheel balancing: class G2.5 == 0,06 mm/s @1500 rpm
I resonance @ 2300±100 rpm (no ground bolting)
- On going - To be done:
 - In Lab: Assembling of equipment, vacuum tests, vibratory tests...
 - Implantation & tests @ S³ (after the 1st SMT)



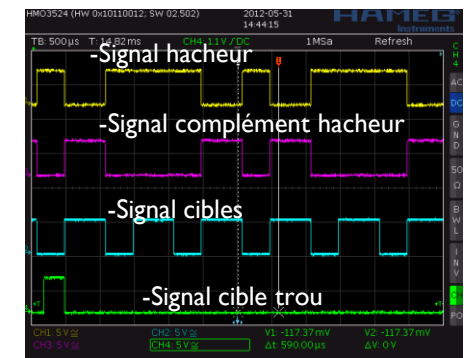
**V. Jean, «Caractérisation de cibles tournantes utilisées dans des expériences de physique nucléaire sous vide poussé,» Caen, 2010 (ENSMA Poitiers).*

ROTATION & BEAM SYNCHRONIZATION (STABLE)

- Achievements :
 - Acquisition of motor's material including controller modules (compact RIO from NI)
 - Programming:
 - C&C: velocity, choice of target's irradiation modes (beam on/off) *
 - Monitoring*
 - Output analogic signals
- To be done:
 - In lab : Longevity test (endurance) @3000 rpm
 - @S³: Coupling and tests with ECSF LINAG



**G. Clusier, «Conception sous LABVIEW d'une supervision pour station-cibles,» Caen, 2012.*



ACTINIDE TARGET STATION

■ Considerations: ²³²Th, ²³⁸U, ²⁴³Am, ²⁴⁸Cm, ^{239/242/244}Pu

0,3 - 0,5 mg/cm² $\approx$ 25 mg $\approx$ 10² – 10⁸ Bq

Material Supply

ORNL / Dubna

Target fabrication

Thickness $\pm 5\%$

✓ SHE: 300-500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

✓ Method: + backing :Ti <2 μm

✓ 35*15 mm²

- ❑ PRCI TATTOO (next slides)
- ❑ « Consortium » between experts

Actinide target station
+ diagnostics

Thermal Calculation

$\Phi = 150 \text{ mm}$

$\omega = 5000 \text{ rpm}$

Prototype

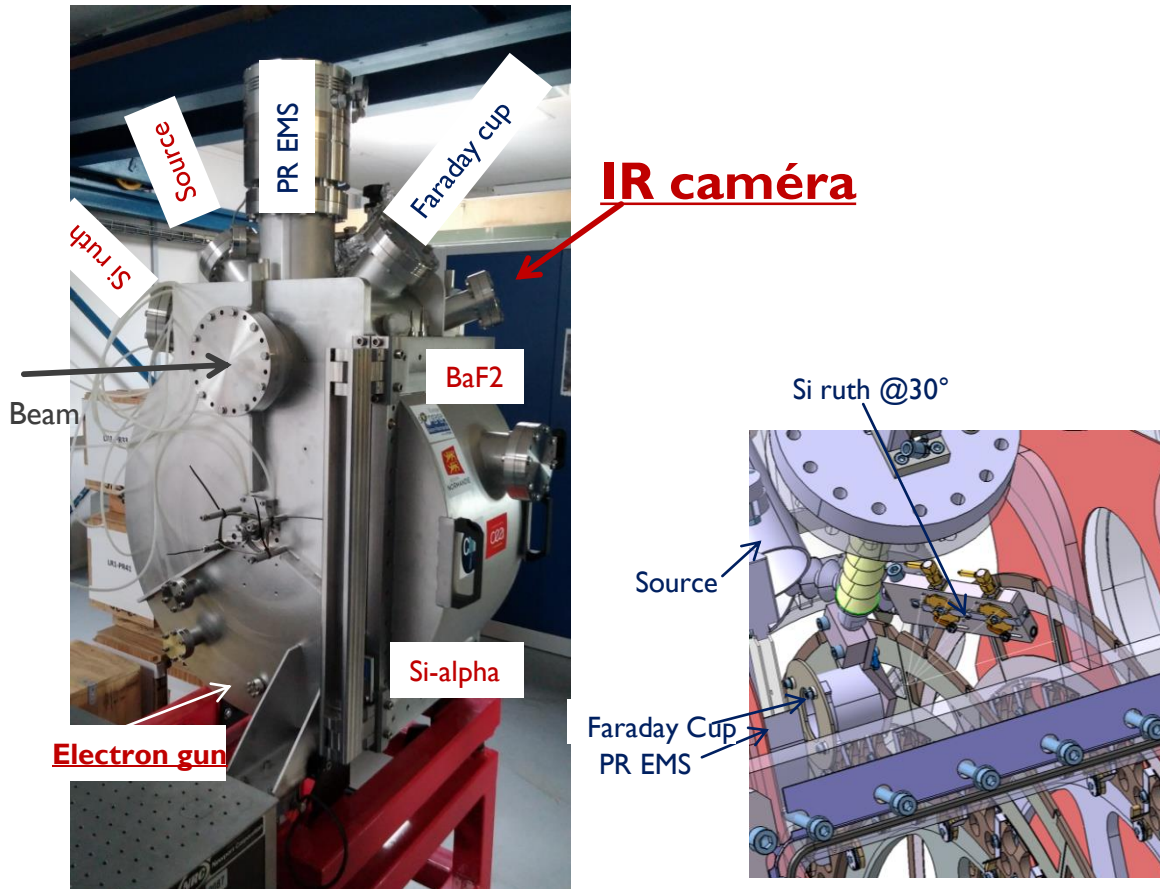


J. Radioanal. Nucl. Chem. 2015,
Volume 305, Issue 3, pp 761-767

❑ **Article 26:** authorization for the use of actinide at S³

❑ 2019: **Actinide Station** : design, issues about glove box, mounting/dismounting..., fabrication,

DIAGNOSTIC & MONITORING



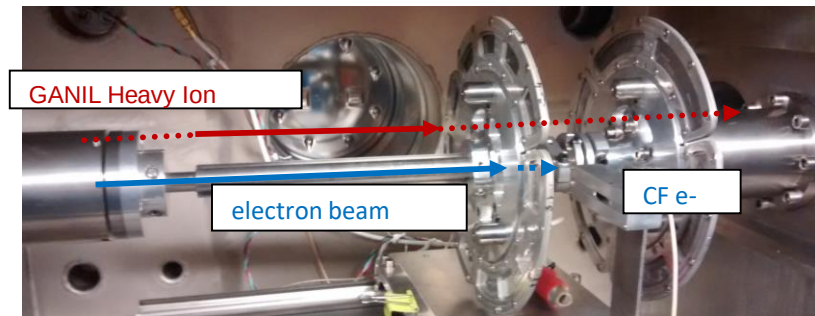
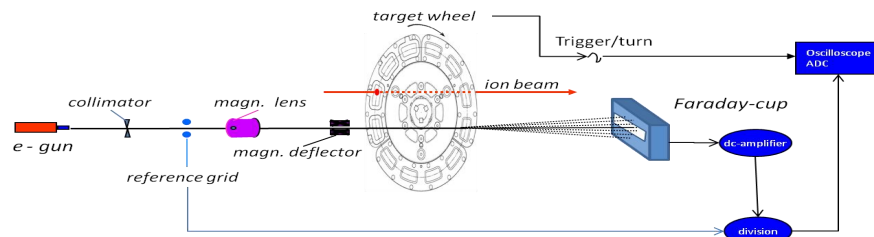
- For 1st experiments :
 - Beam properties with profilers, Faraday Cup, collimator
 - Target thickness/structure: alpha energy loss, Scattered beam, electron transmission
 - Beam synchronization: γ detection
- On going - To be done:
 - Integration of equipment
 - Insertion commands
 - Signal processing & Data Acquisition (NUMEXO2*)
 - Tests
 - IR camera measurements (beam profile, Ttargets)

*C. Houarner, « Specifications liées au FPGA V6 (Protocoles, IPs...) pour CIBLE-S3 - Ver 13,» <http://wiki.ganil.fr/gap/wiki/cible>, Caen, 2017.

DIAGNOSTIC & MONITORING – ELECTRON GUN

Electron Gun - R. Mann (patent DE 10242962 A1-GSI) [9, 10]

Principle : measuring attenuation of electron current using angular scattering and absorption resolution ($\leq 0.4\text{mm}$, $15\mu\text{s}$)



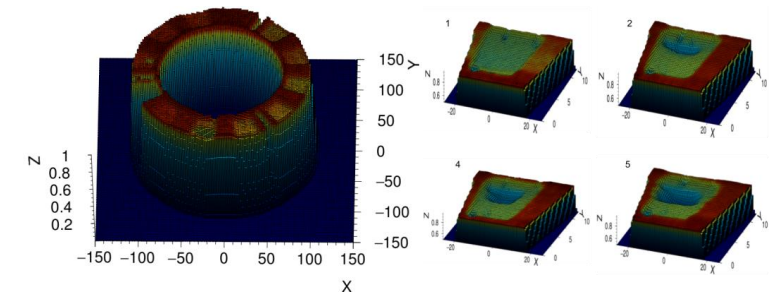
Achievements :

- Tests with intense heavy ion beams *
- Operation principal demonstrated *
- Electronic working functions **

*C. Stodel et al, «High Intensity targets stations for S3,» *J. of Radioanal. and Nuc. chem.*, vol. 305, n°3, pp. 761-767, 2015.

J. Kallunkathariyil et al, «S³ Target Monitoring with an Electron gun,» *AIP Conf. Proc.* 1962, 030019-1-9 (2018); doi 10.1063/1.5035536

**A. Lebehot, T. Lefrou, Y. Georget et C. Stodel, «Caractérisation d'une chaîne de mesure autour d'un canon à électrons,» *Caen*, 2016



On going - To be done:

- Upgrade of the existing e-gun for targets' R&D
- Reception of a « commercial » e-gun for reliable operation

DIAGNOSTIC & MONITORING – IR CAMERA

- Achievements:

- FLIR SC7000:

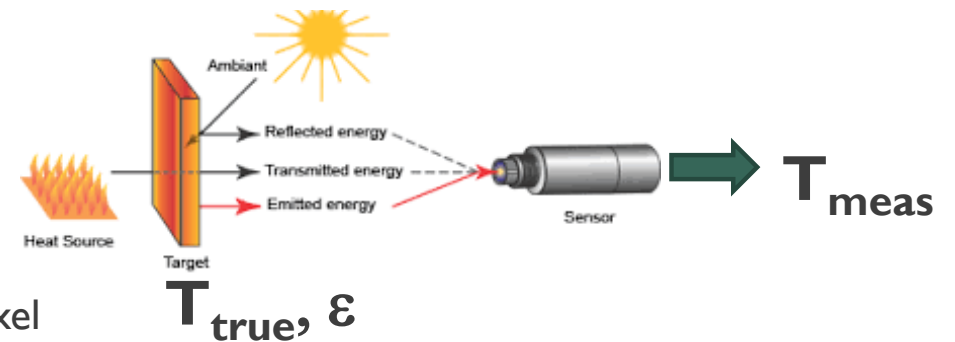
- 1.5 à 5 μm ;
 - 5-1500°C;
 - 320*256: 380 Hz or 80*64: 3500Hz = Resolution of 0.3mm per pixel

- Preliminary measurements of emissivity, window transmission & reflectivity with external heating, temperature with various set-up *

- To be done:

- Can we control target temperature under irradiation ? : Temperature = fct (emissivity)
 - Can we measure beam spot dimensions?
 - **How to deport it ?** Resolution (spatial and temperature) after deport ?
 - Analysis of images for decision

R&D thermal camera



*C. Leveille, C. Stodel et T. Lefrou, «Mise en œuvre d'une caméra thermique pour cibles tournantes S3,» Caen, 2016.

+ E. Duguet, O. Bajeat, Ch. Stodel « Thermal measurements of heated materials with pyrometers and IR camera », April-June 2018

ISSUES ON TARGETS: MATERIAL, FABRICATION, LIFETIME....

$I = 1 - 1.5 \text{ p}\mu\text{A} \rightarrow 5 - 10 - 20 \text{ p}\mu\text{A} ???$

- GSI UNILAC: 5ms on / 15ms off $\rightarrow I_{\text{mean}} = 1 \text{ p}\mu\text{A} \rightarrow \ll I_{\text{max}} = 4 \text{ p}\mu\text{A} \gg$

- Cooling $\rightarrow$ larger wheels + gas cooling

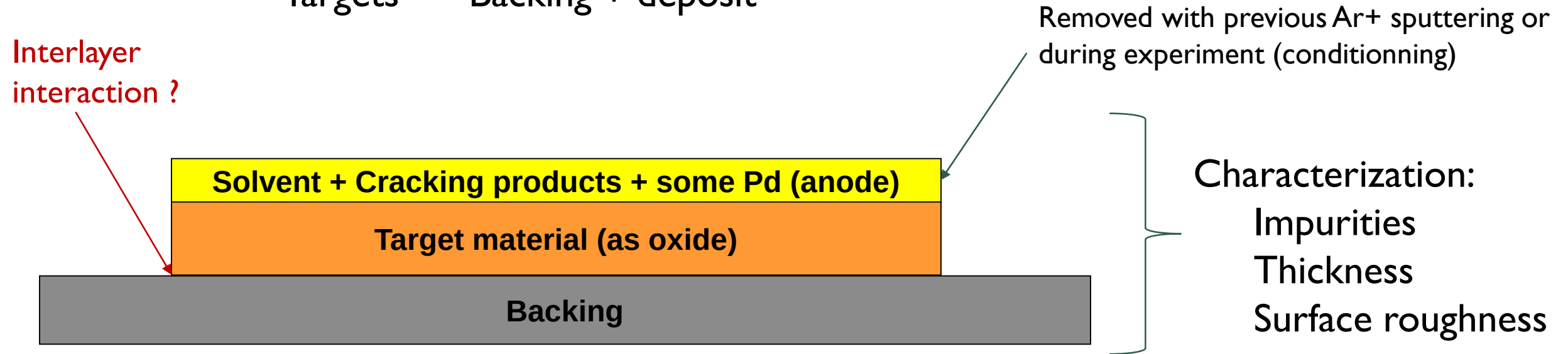
- Targets == Ti(2 μm) + Act (450 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)

$dE(\text{Ti}) = 12 \text{ MeV} = 4 * dE(\text{Act}) \rightarrow$ thinner backings ?

Or « reasonable » $dE(\text{backing})$, new backing materials?

ISSUES ON TARGETS: MATERIAL, FABRICATION, LIFETIME....

Targets == Backing + deposit



Change of material structure with irradiation ?

Nanometric damage ?

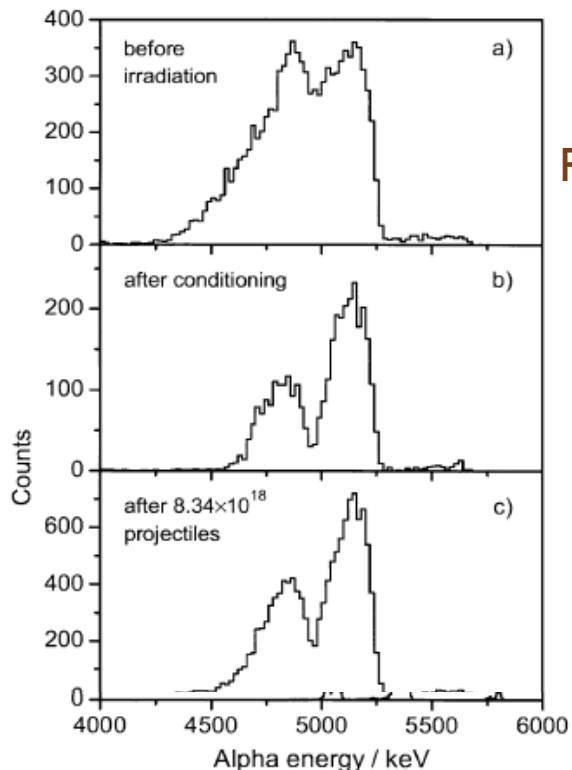
Migration of oxide → metallic to oxide backing ?

D. Liebe et al, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A590 (2008) 145-150
A. Vascon et al, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 714 (2013) 163-175

CHANGE OF MATERIAL STRUCTURE

S. Hofmann et al, Eur. Phys. J. A (2012) 48:12 “The reaction $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{248}\text{Cm} \rightarrow ^{296}116^*$ studied at the GSI-SHIP”

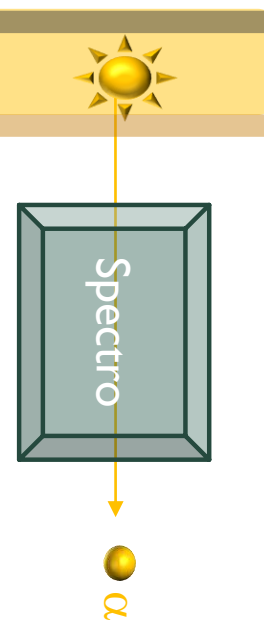
Conditioning phase



Actinide targets for SHE
Rest of solvent

homogeneous transparent grass-like layer
Highly resistant to beam dose

No beam

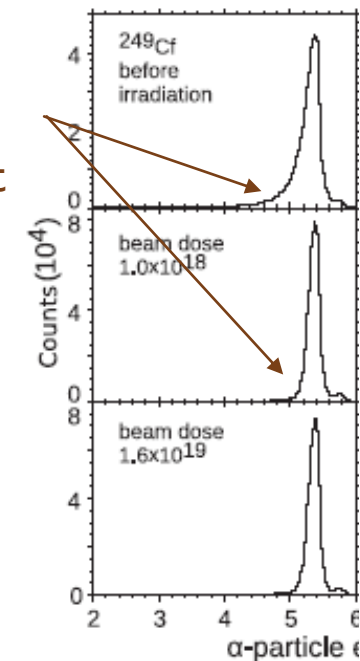


N. Brewer et al, Phys. Rev. C 98, 024317 (2018) “Search for the heaviest atomic nuclei among products from reactions of mixed-Cf with a ^{48}Ca beam”

2005

^{249}Cf

$340 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

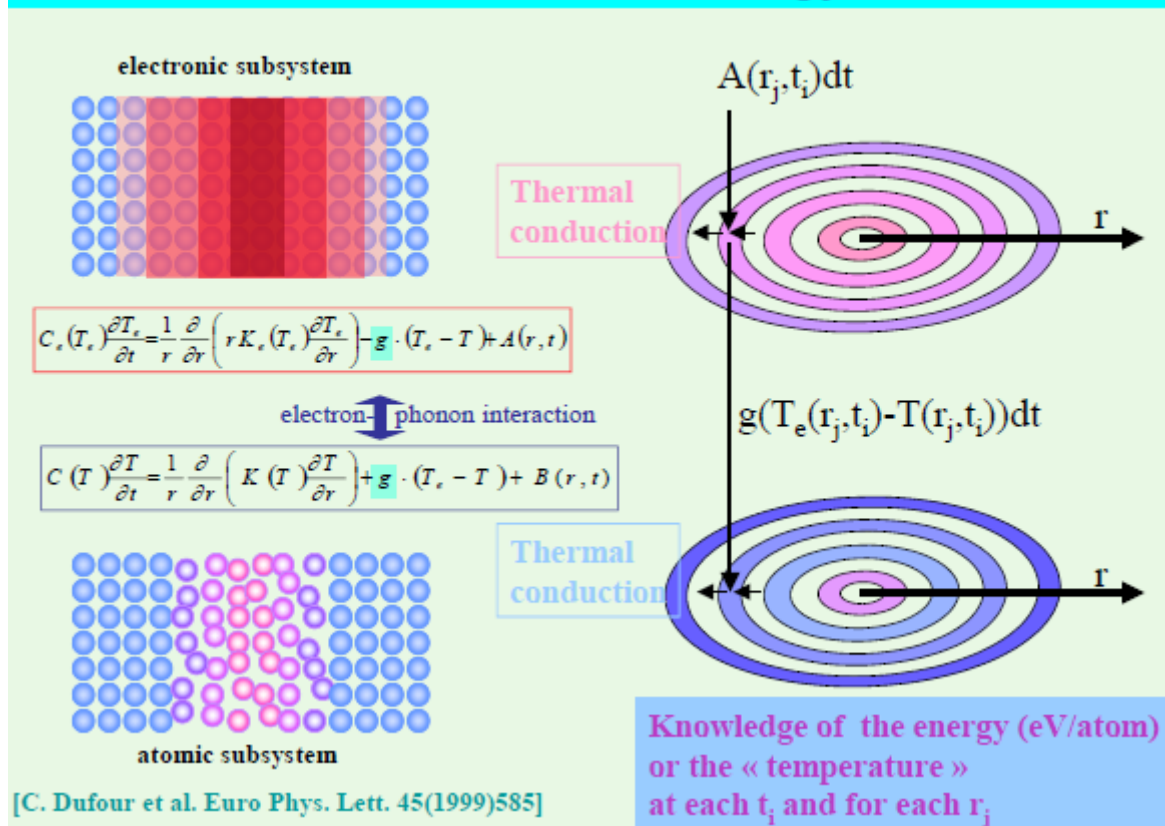


Peak shape narrower

NANOMETRIC TRACKS; STRUCTURAL CHANGE ?

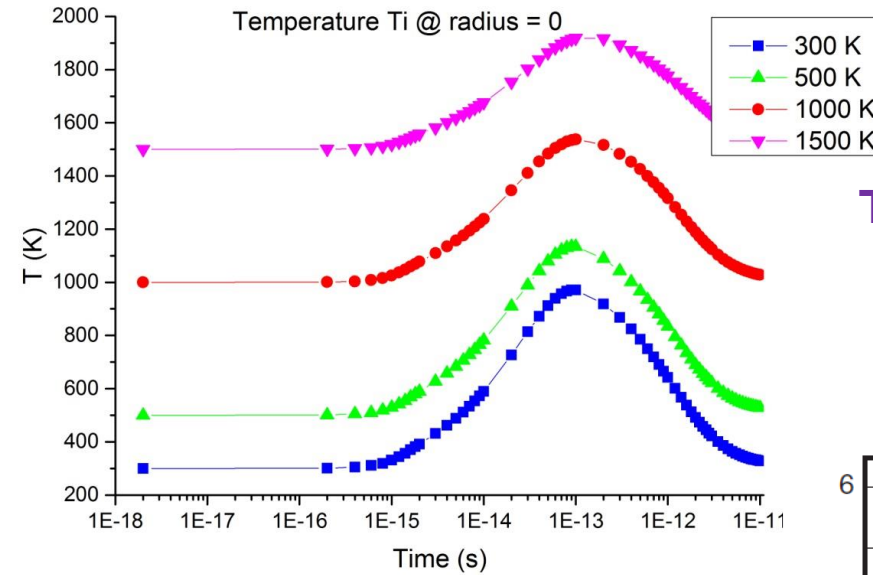
THERMAL SPIKE MODEL: ^{48}Ca (5MeV/u) + Ti (2 μm) + ActOx

Thermal diffusion and energy transfer



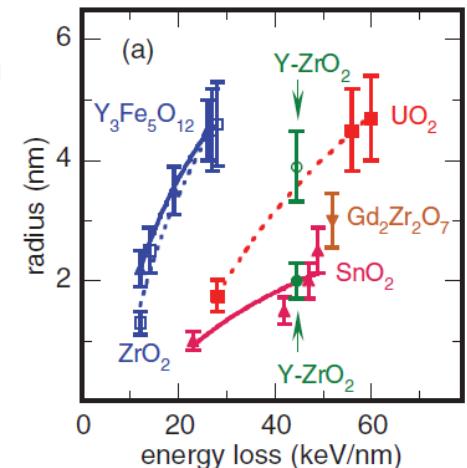
+ Sputtering yield

$$T_{\text{fus}} = 1973 \text{ K} - T_{\text{crit}} = 2610 \text{ °K}$$



$$T_{\text{TS}} \approx T_{\text{eq}} + 400 \text{ °K} *$$

What about actinide in oxyde form ?
Calculations to be done

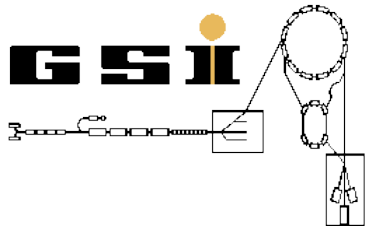


ISSUES ON TARGETS: MATERIAL, FABRICATION, LIFETIME...

- ✓ Next « Chanda » with WP targets nuclear data +
- ✓ INTDS Community
- ✓ ORNL / Dubna



ACTINIDE TARGETS: MATERIAL & FABRICATION → TATTOO



THIN ACTINIDE TARGET COOPERATION HERSTELLUNG VON DÜNNEN AKTINIDENTARGETS COOPÉRATION SUR LES CIBLES MINCES D'ACTINIDE



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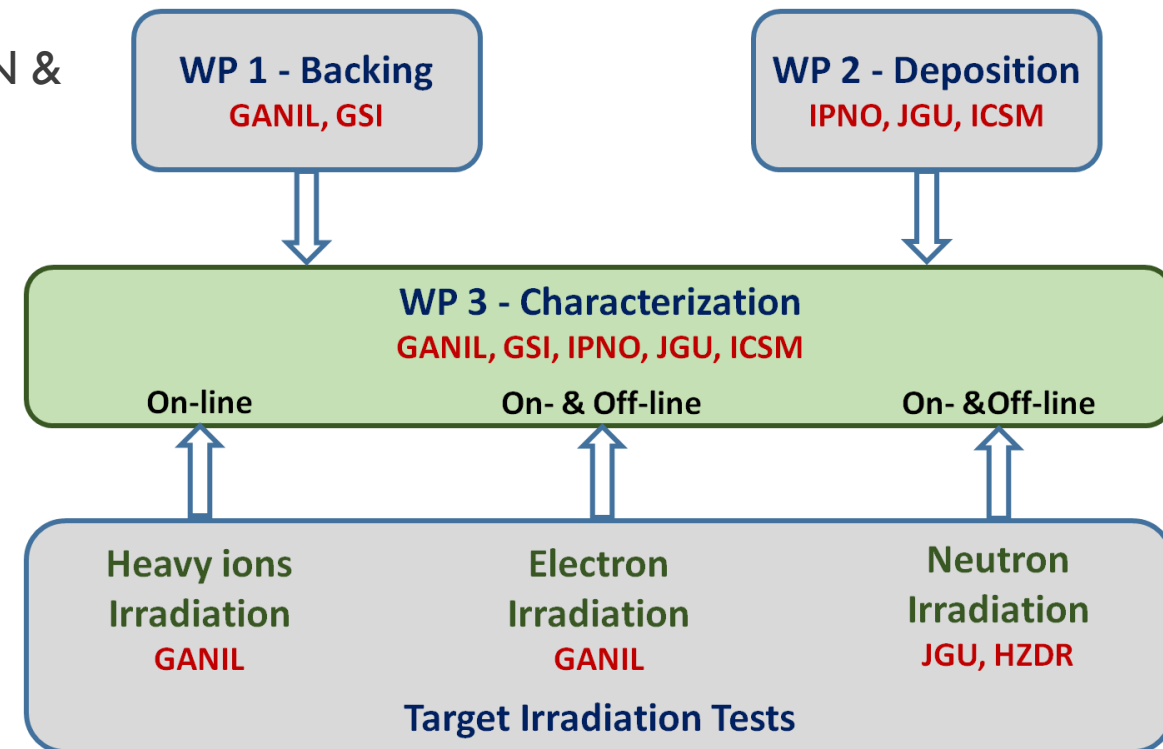


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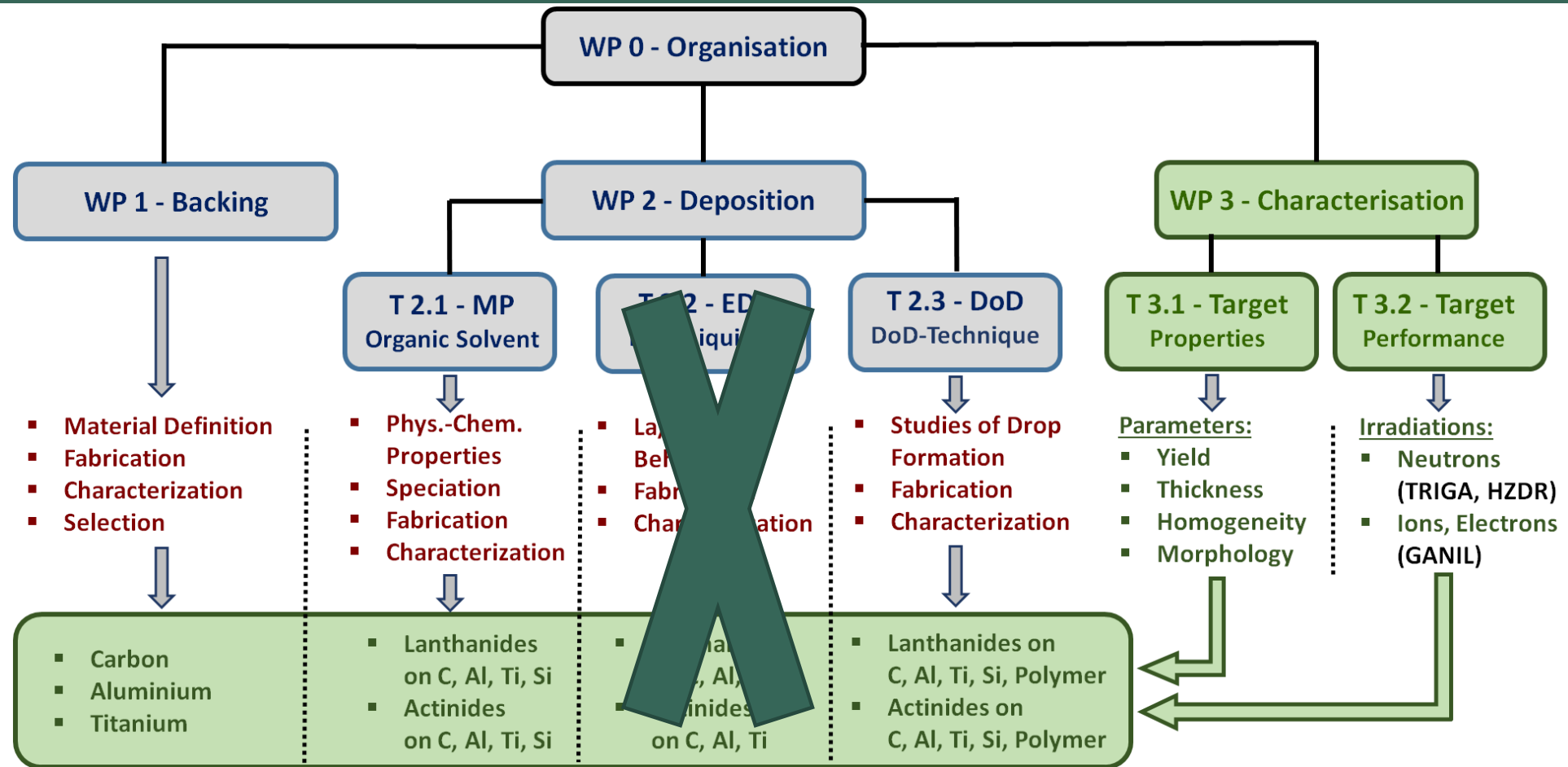


TATTOO OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Supply thin actinide targets which have specific characteristics depending on the application (thickness, choice of backing, roughness, homogeneity) for French and German physicists (heavy-ion- and neutron-induced reactions, σ & structure of HN & SHN at S3, fission studies = σ & process at NFS...)
 - Development of novel fabrication methods for actinide targets on various substrates
 - Characterization and performances under irradiation of backings and deposits



WORK PROGRAM



TATTOO:WPI BACKINGS (GSI & GANIL)

Carbon : 5 – 2000 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

Titanium: $\approx 1.5 / 2 \mu\text{m}$

Aluminium: oxide layer

TATTOO

Study of structure /surface according to interlayer material, processes, conditions etc..(high-resolution 3D microscope)

Ti < 1.5 μm pin-hole free

Large surface homogeneous



12 Ton manual Press
5mm Pellet

Rolling Mill

TATTOO:WP2 DEPOSITION

T2.1 Organic Solvent – IPNO/ICSM/JGU

systematic studies → better understanding of deposition mechanism and deposition kinetics.

42 cm² ²⁴²Pu targets on Ti-coated Si wafers

²³³, ²³⁴, ²³⁵, ²³⁸U, ²³⁷Np and ²³²Th deposited on 2 μm thin Al foils [34, 12-13, 41-43]

TATTOO

Reference

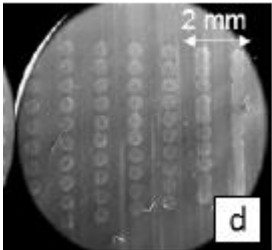
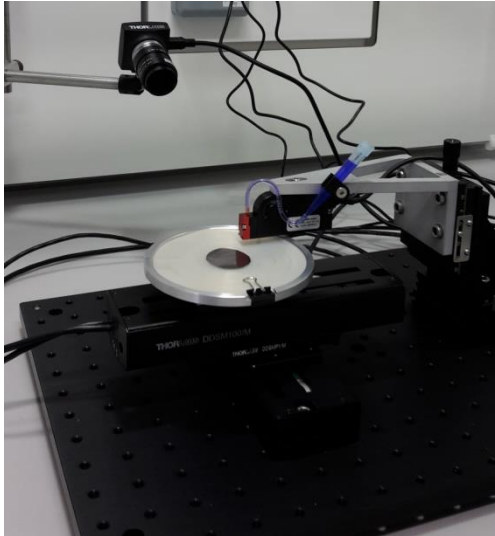
Determination of physico-chemical properties

Speciation of Eu, Ce, U

Thermal treatments

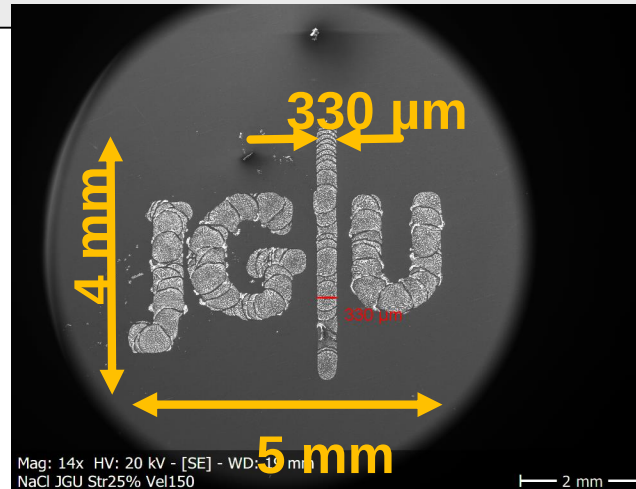
TATTOO:WP2 DEPOSITION:T2.2 DOD TECHNIQUE @ JGU

R. Haas et al, *Nuclear Instruments and Methods A*, vol. 874, pp. 43-49, 2017



^{140}La , ^{198}gAu tracers as natural
nitrate solution
on graphene 12 μm or Ti 50 μm
diam 25 mm

Printing of JGU-Logo with NaCl-
solution on Ti-surface



TATTOO

Organic solvents
Other substrate, thickness
Diam = 100 mm

Study of drop formation

Stroke: 16.25 μm

Stroke velocity: 150 $\mu\text{m}/\text{ms}$

Droplet size: 15 ± 5 nL

Courtesy of K. Eberhardt

Talk of D. Renisch

TATTOO WP3: CHARACTERIZATION

T3.1 PROPERTIES

thickness

α Energy loss

Precise analytical balance

UV-Vi Spectrophotometry

*Low geometry α -particle (LGA)

*Radiographic Imaging (RI)

**surface
morphology**

Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)

AFM

X-ray diffractometer (XRD)

Optical microscope

High Temperature Raman Spectro

HT- Environmental SEM

surface roughness

TARGET

**Isotopic
abundances**

**thickness
uniformity**

Rutherford Back Scattering

PhotoElectron Spectroscopy

Energy Dispersive X-Ray

Particle Induced X-ray Em

Particle Induced γ -ray Em

**identification of
impurities**

Thermal Ionization Mass Spectrometry

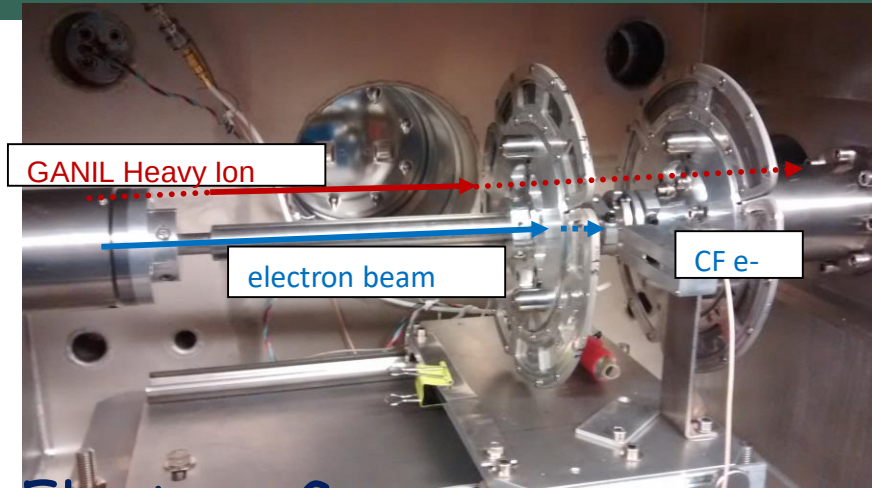
Neutron Activation Analysis

TATTOO

Knowledge & experience
gained shared among all
partners of TATTOO
(+CIMAP)

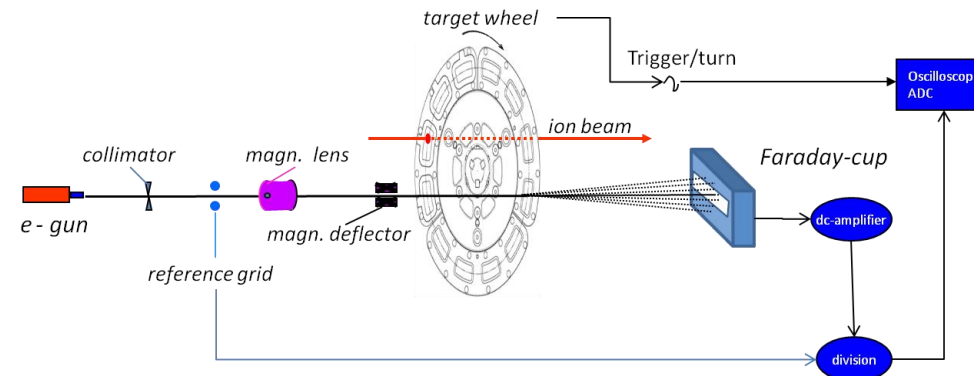
JGU: 3D Optical Profiler in
radioactive controlled area
GSI: High-Resolution 3D
Microscope

TATTOO WP3: CHARACTERIZATION – T3.2 PERFORMANCES WITH HEAVY IONS

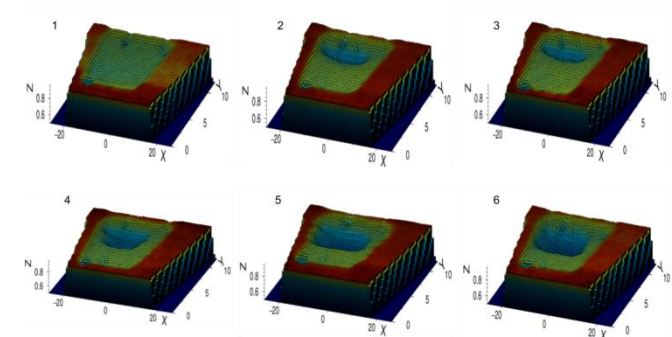


Electron Gun - R. Mann (patent DE 10242962 A1-GSI)

Principle : measuring attenuation of electron current using angular scattering and absorption



FLIR SC7000: 1.5 à 5 μm / 5-1500°C
 320*256:380 Hz // 80*64: 3500Hz
 (3000 rpm = 50 Hz; 3500Hz= 70 images)
 Resolution of 0.3mm per pixel



TATTOO WP3: CHARACTERIZATION – T3.2 PERFORMANCES WITH NEUTRONS

- ✓ Neutrons of variable energy @nELBE
- ✓ Thermal Neutrons : Measurements of the layer thickness are possible using radioactive tracers or by Neutron Activation Analysis (NAA)



TRIGA MARK II

Continuous Thermal Power... 100 kW

Neutron Flux... $7 \cdot 10^{11}$ - $4 \cdot 10^{12}$ n cm⁻² s⁻¹

Several irradiation facilities

CONCLUSION & PERSPECTIVES

- S^3
 - One Target station ready for first experiments at S^3 (stable and U or Th)
 - Monitoring on targets to be optimized with the use of the electron technique, IR camera
 - Use of an « Actinide Prototype Target Station » with GANIL beams
 - S^3 Actinide Target Station to be designed
- **R&D on targets technology**
 - Backings
 - Deposition techniques
 - Characterization: prior-, during-, post-irradiation
 - Impact on other research topics (^{229}Th nuclear clock, neutron induced reaction, ...)