

# Spectroscopic Studies of Neutron-Rich Nuclei with the CLARA-PRISMA Setup

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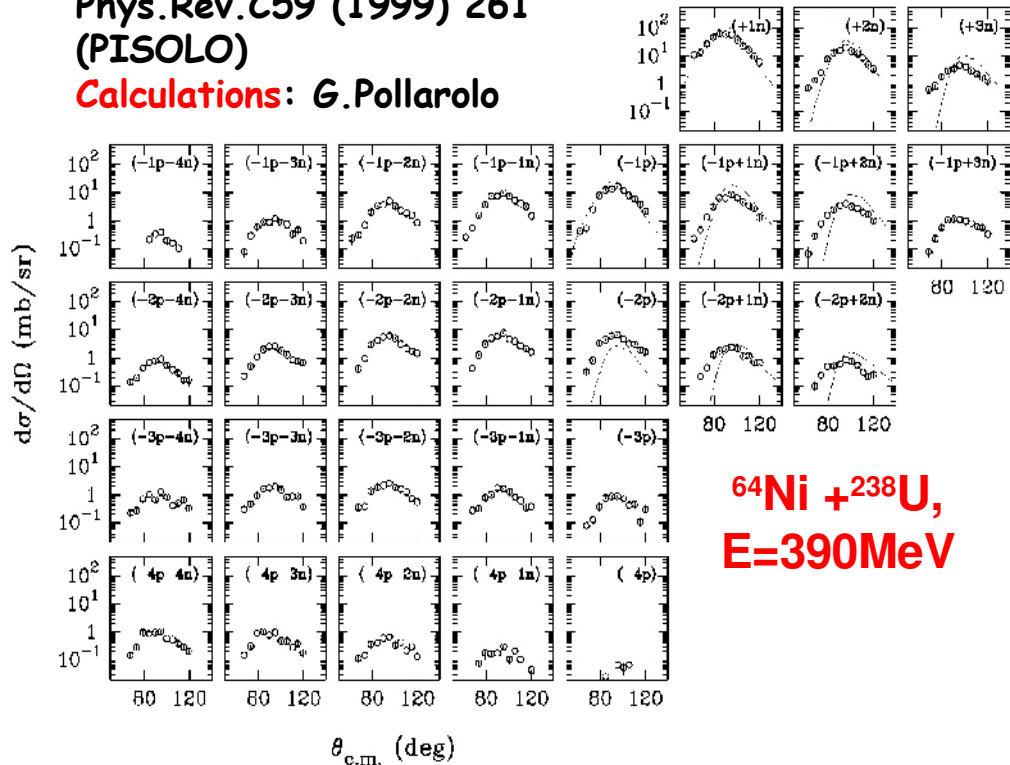
*on behalf of the CLARA-PRISMA Collaboration*

- 1) Gamma Spectroscopy with Multinucleon Transfer and Deep-Inelastic Reactions
- 2) PRISMA and CLARA
- 3) Results from the experimental campaign

# Grazing reactions as a tool to study n-rich nuclei

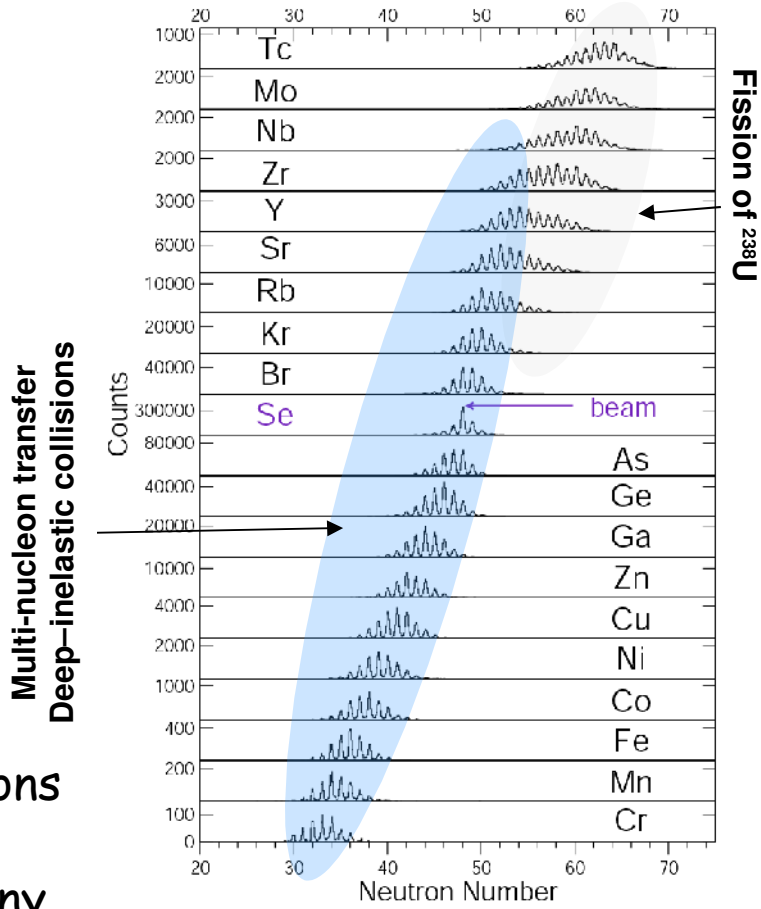
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**Multi-nucleon transfer  
 Deep-inelastic collisions**

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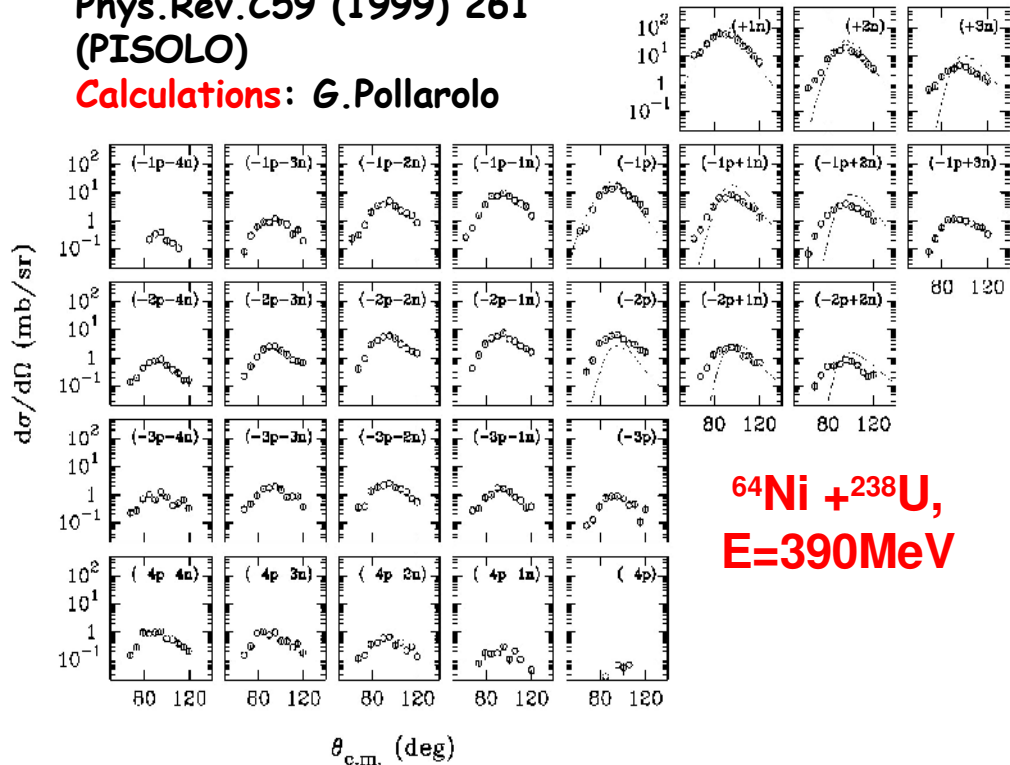
**PRISMA Exp. Data  
 Inelastic channels only  
 ( $\gamma$ s detected with CLARA)**

G.de Angelis, G.Duchêne  
 Analysis: N.Mărginean

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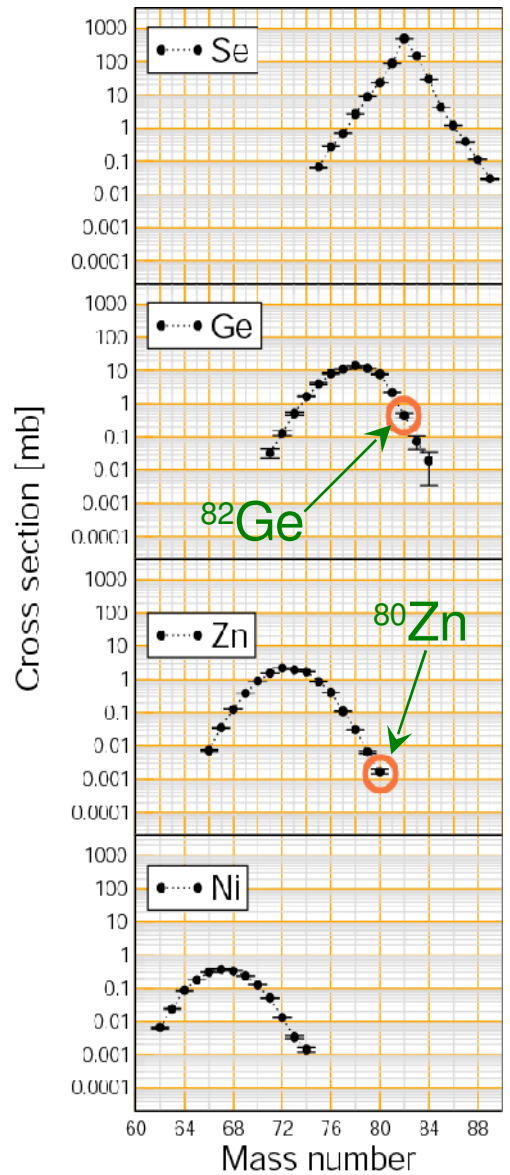
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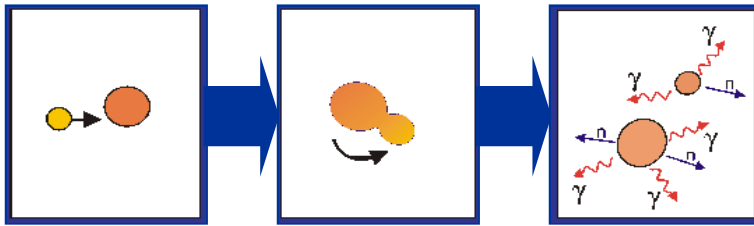


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In many cases, the production cross sections are not negligible.

# $\gamma$ -Ray Spectroscopy with Grazing reactions

## Experimental approach



- Identification possible only when the „starting“ transitions are known or when the cross-coincidences are available.
- Only gamma rays from states with cumulative half-life  $\geq 1$  ps visible.

See e.g. Broda et al, PRL 74 (1995) 865

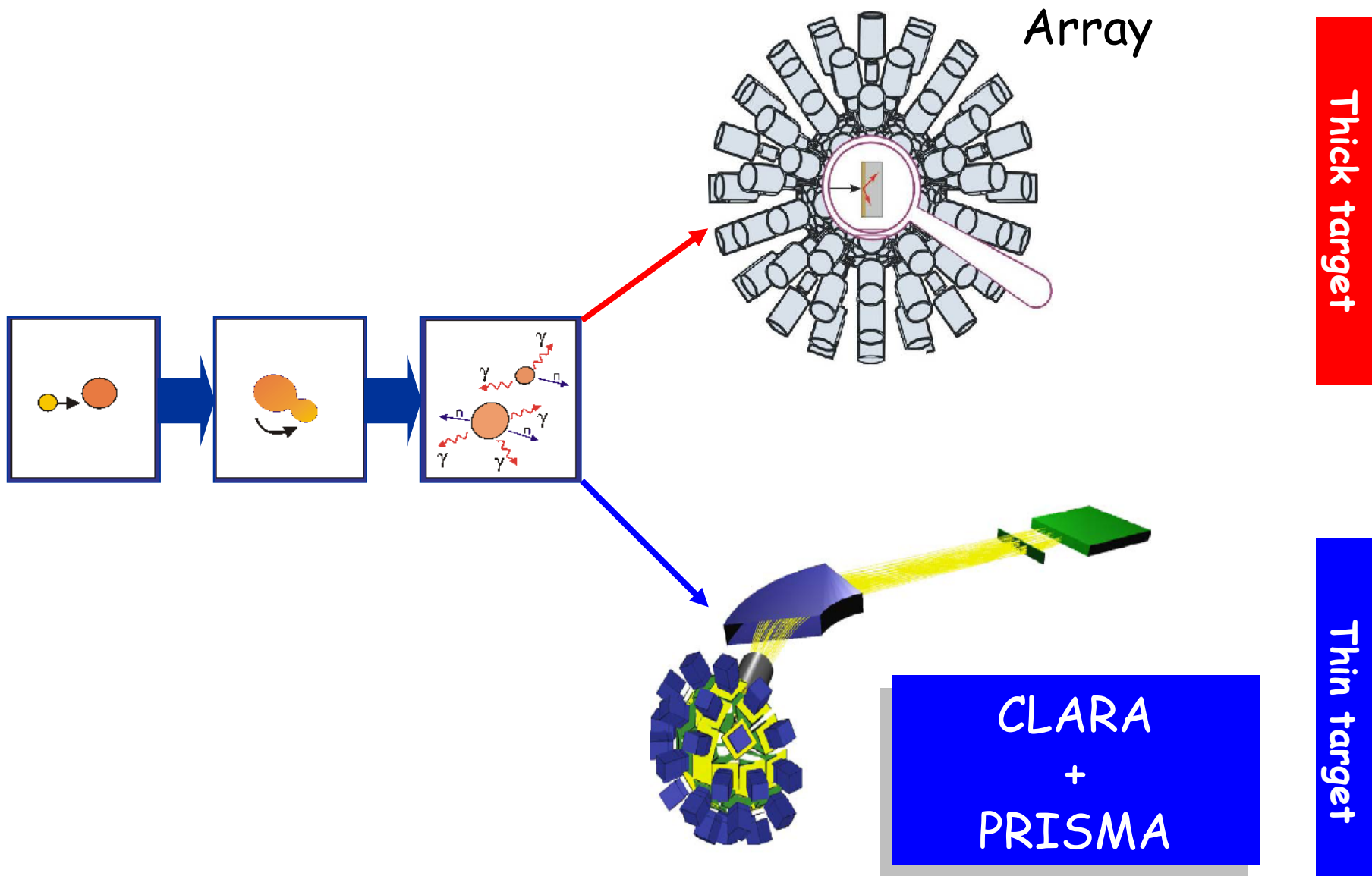
- detection of fast  $\gamma$  transitions
- $(A,Z)$  identification and Doppler correction needed - isotopic assignment of  $\gamma$  transitions

Thick target

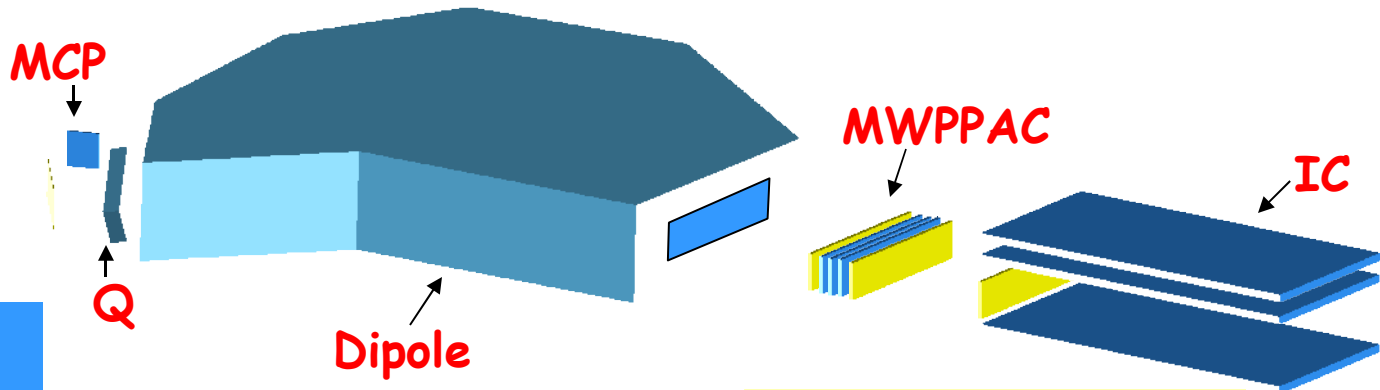
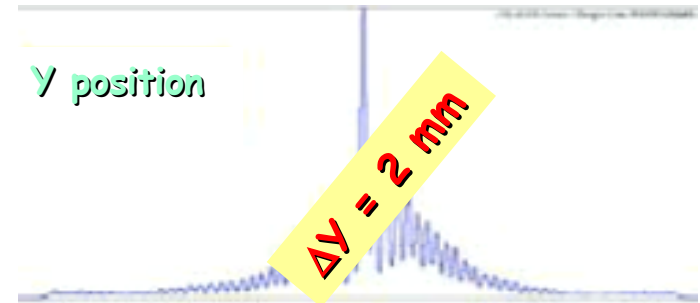
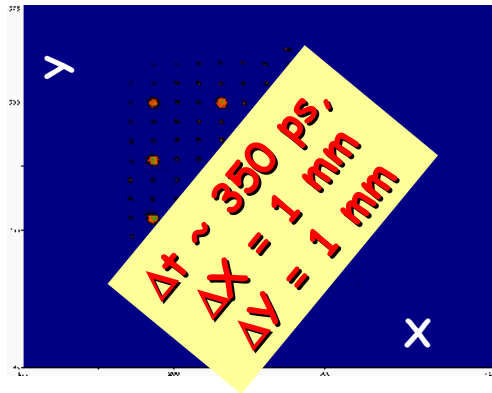
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# $\gamma$ -Ray Spectroscopy with Grazing reactions



# The PRISMA Magnetic Spectrometer



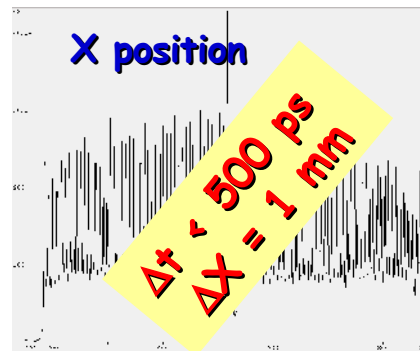
$$\Delta\Omega = 80 \text{ msr}$$

$$\Delta Z/Z \approx 1/60$$

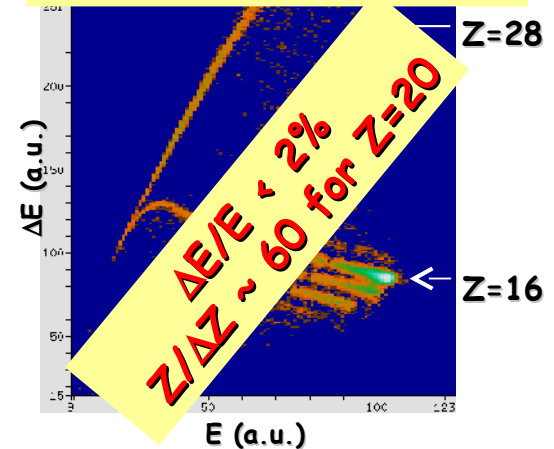
$$\Delta A/A \approx 1/190$$

$$\Delta E \pm 20\%$$

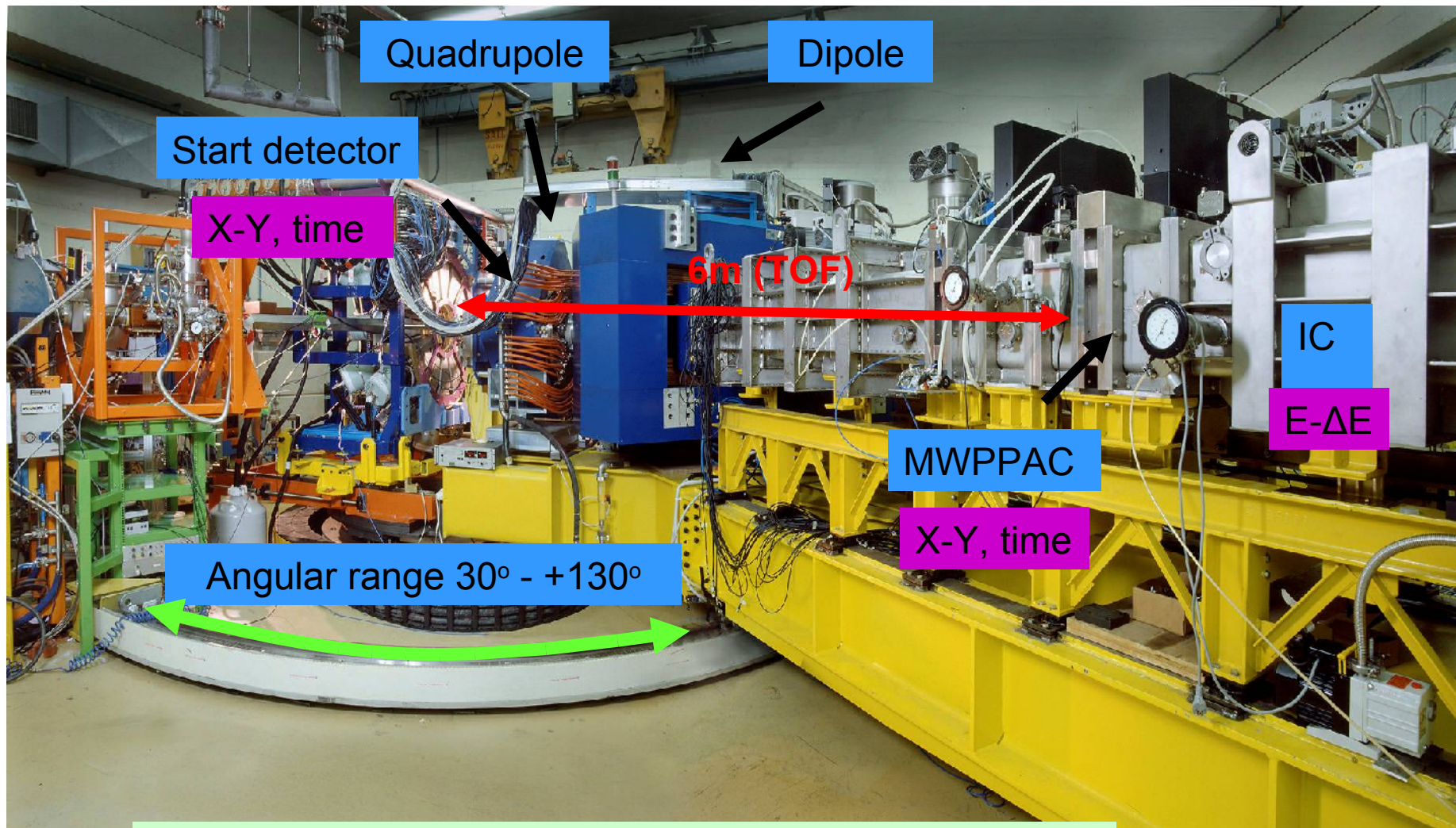
$$B\rho = 1.2 \text{ T.m}$$



195 MeV  $^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ ,  $\theta_{\text{lab}} = 80^\circ$



# The CLARA-PRISMA setup



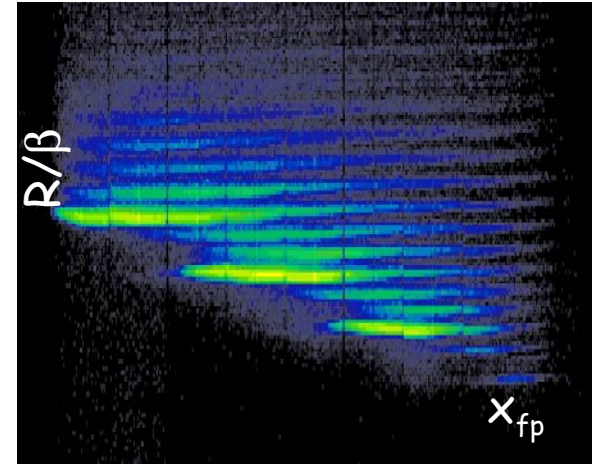
Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro (INFN), Italy



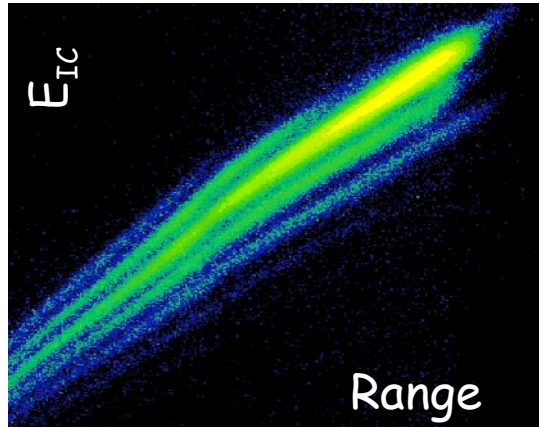
# The PRISMA Magnetic Spectrometer

Trajectories reconstructed through iterative procedure depending **only on ratio of fields** in dipole and quadrupole and providing **trajectory length** and **curvature radius**

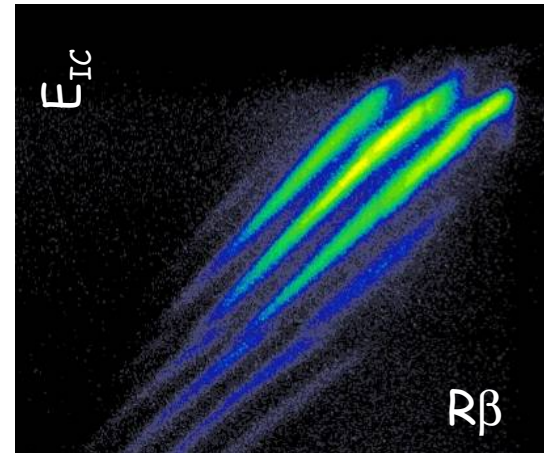
$A/q$



Atomic number



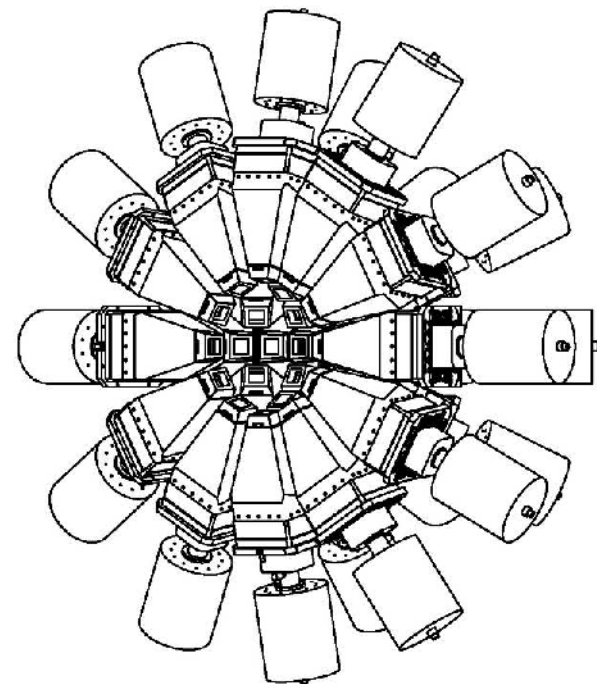
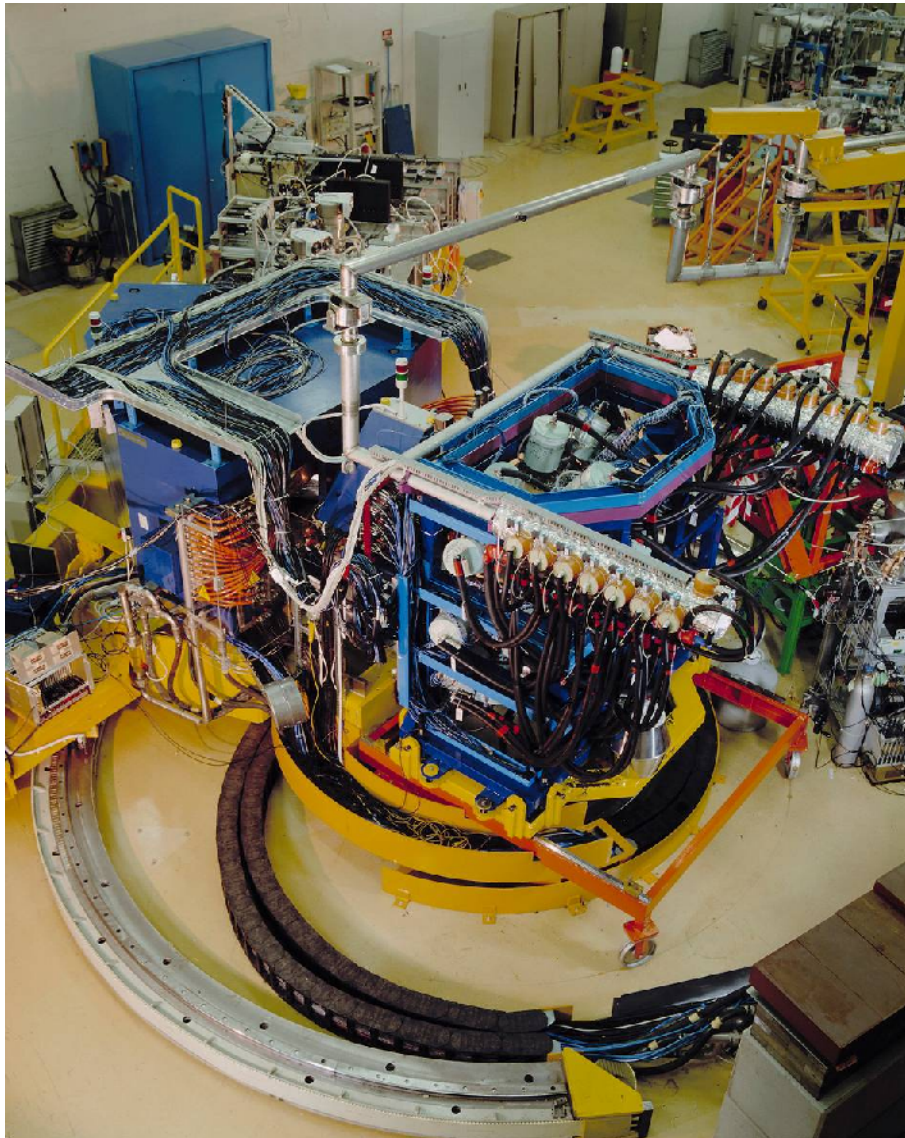
Charge state



Full  $Z$ ,  $A$  selection

**Vector velocity** of recoils (direction from start detector,  $\beta$  from TOF and trajectory length)

# CLARA: Clover Detector array



Up to 25 Euroball Clover detectors  
(from the EU GammaPool)

For  $E_\gamma = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$ :

Efficiency  $\sim 3 \%$

Peak/Total  $\sim 45 \%$

FWHM  $< 10 \text{ keV}$  (at  $v/c = 10 \%$ )

# The CLARA-PRISMA collaboration

## •France

IPHC (IReS) Strasbourg  
GANIL Caen

## •U.K.

University of Manchester  
Daresbury Laboratory  
University of Surrey  
University of Paisley

## •Germany

HMI Berlin  
GSI Darmstadt

## •Poland

IFJ-PAN Kraków

## •Croatia

Ruder Boskovic Institute,  
Zagreb

## •Italy

INFN LNL-Legnaro  
INFN and University Padova  
INFN and University Milano  
INFN and University Genova  
INFN and University Torino  
INFN and University Napoli  
INFN and University Firenze  
University of Camerino

## •Spain

University of Salamanca

## •Romania

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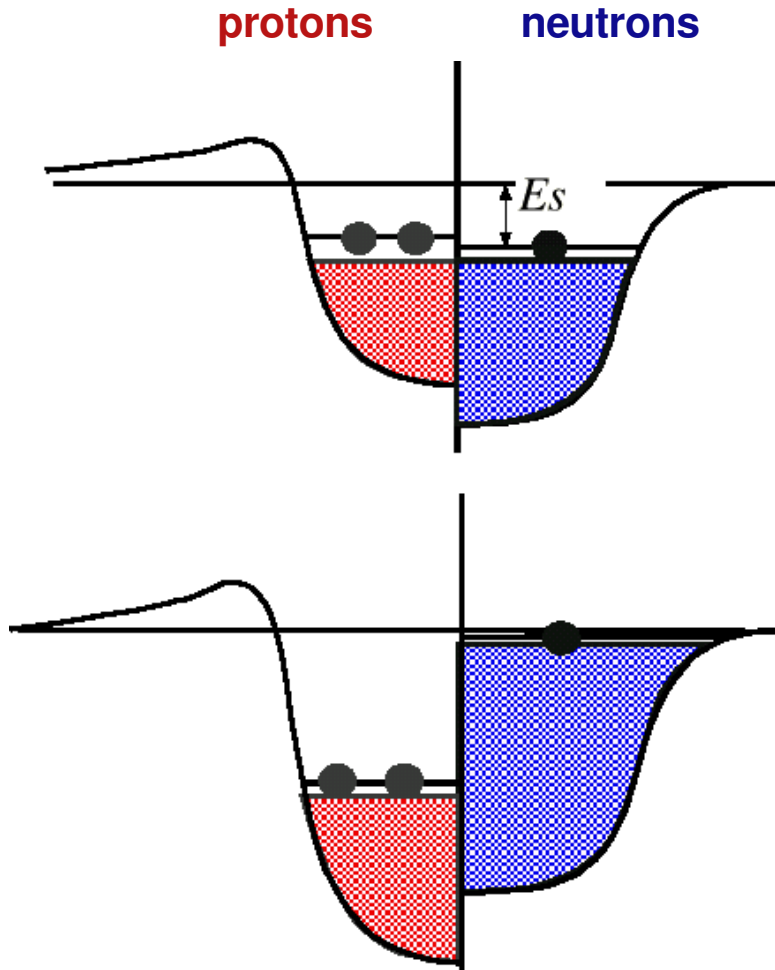
# Summary of the campaign

- 24 experiments (2004-2008)
- 16 papers (so far)
- Over 40 presentations at international conferences/workshops
- 6 theses (diploma, PhD, ...)



# Qualitative Difference Near the Neutron-Dripline

Reduction of spin-orbit potential

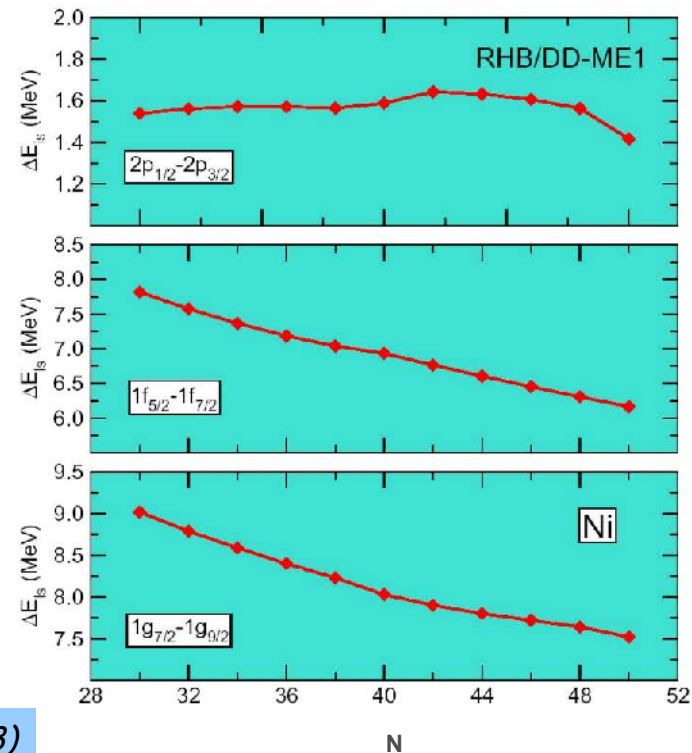


$$V_{s.o.} \approx \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} V_{ls}(r)$$

$$V_{ls} = \frac{m}{m_{eff}} (V - S)$$

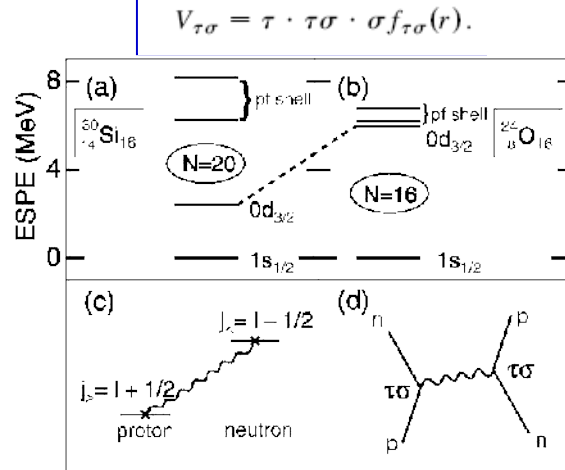
reduced energy spacings between spin-orbit partners

$$\Delta E_{ls} = E_{n,l,j=l-1/2} - E_{n,l,j=l+1/2}$$



# Orbital migrations

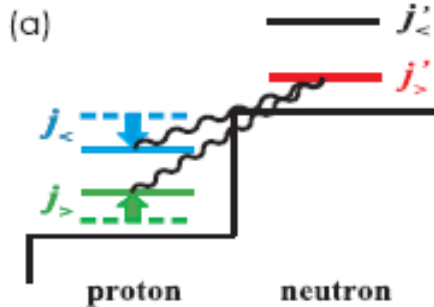
## Proton-neutron spin-flip interaction



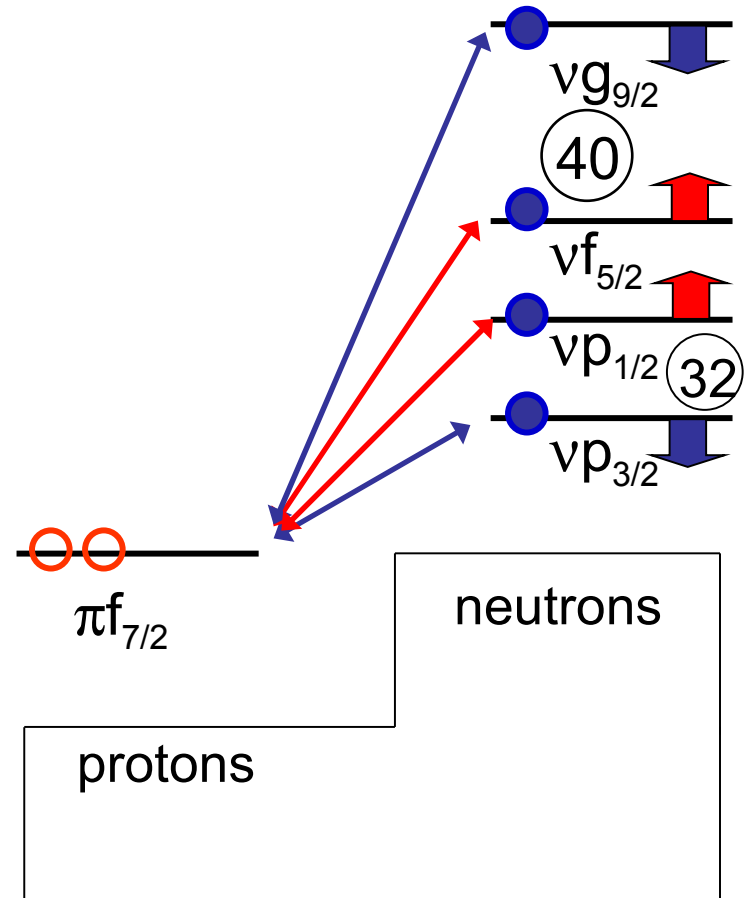
T. Otsuka et al., PRL87, 082502 (2001)

## Tensor force

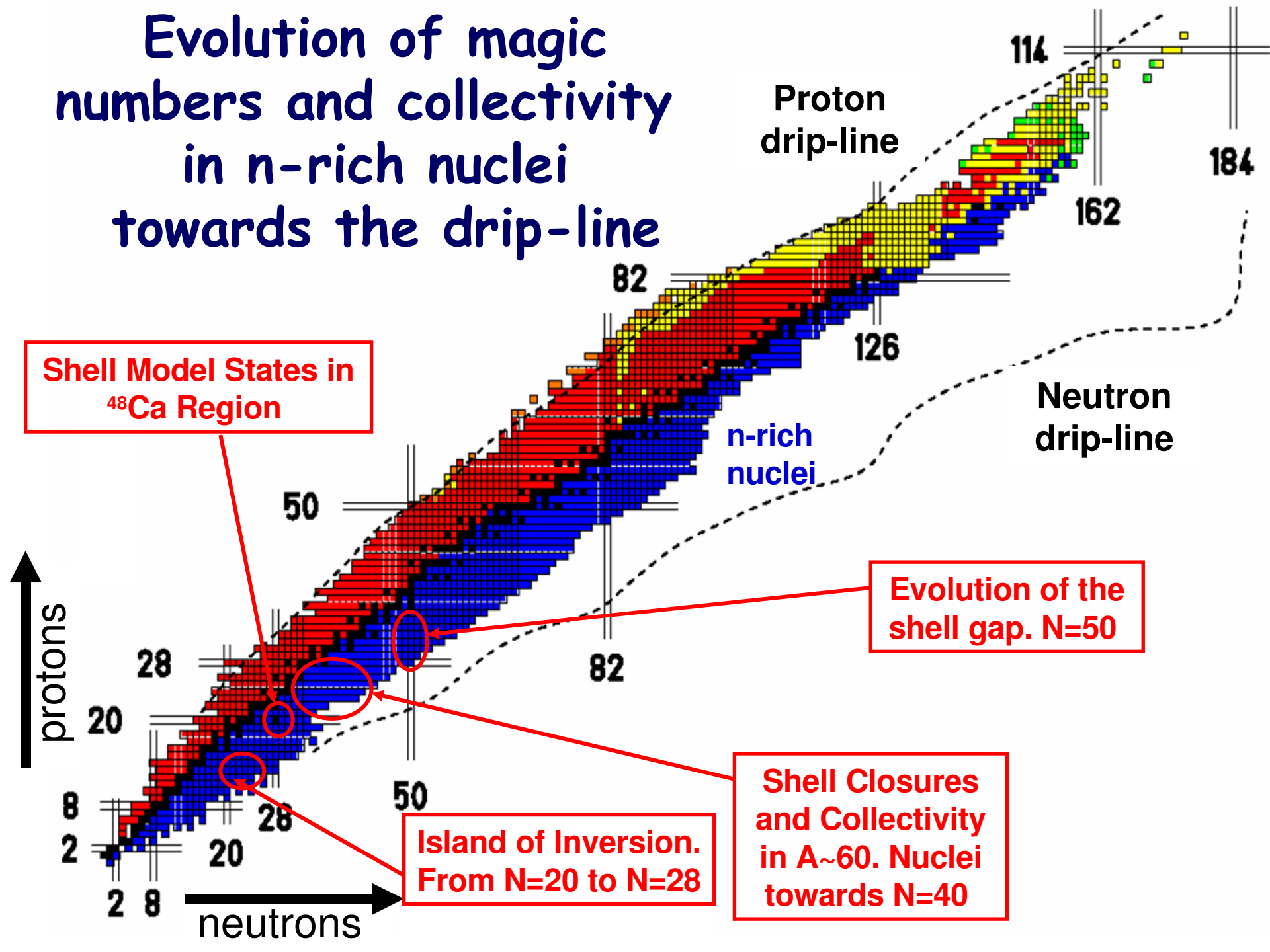
$$V_T = (\vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2) ([\vec{s}_1 \vec{s}_2]^{(2)} \cdot Y^{(2)}) f(r),$$



T. Otsuka et al., PRL 95, 232502 (2005)



# Evolution of magic numbers and collectivity in n-rich nuclei towards the drip-line



Shell Model States in <sup>48</sup>Ca Region

Proton drip-line

Neutron drip-line

n-rich nuclei

Evolution of the shell gap. N=50

Shell Closures and Collectivity in A~60. Nuclei towards N=40

Island of Inversion. From N=20 to N=28

↑  
protons

neutrons →

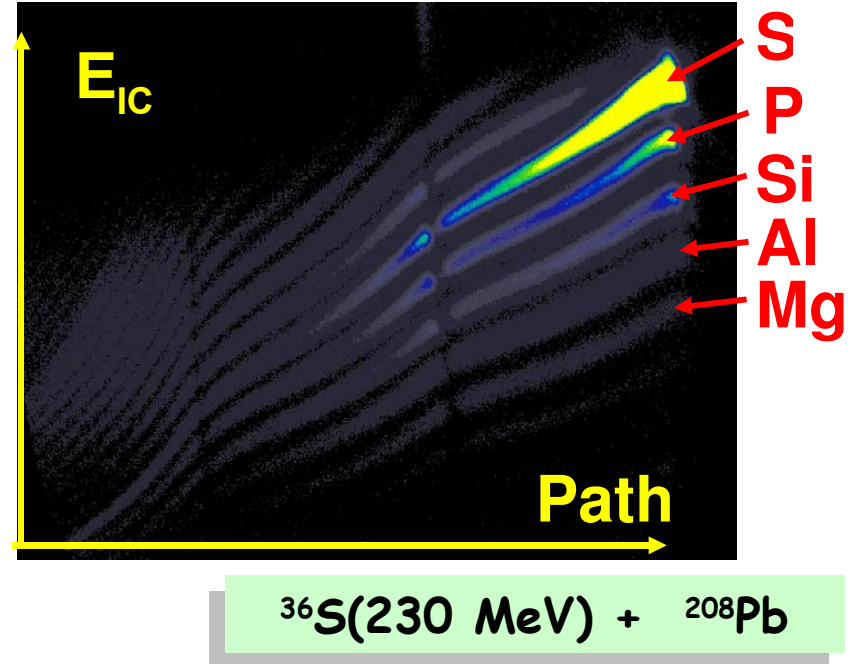
# From N=20 to N=28

R.Chapman, X.Liang (Manchester), M.Stanoiu, F.Azaiez (IPN Orsay)

Ar38 0+ 0.063	Ar39 269y 7/2-	Ar40 0+ 99.600	Ar41 10934m 7/2-	Ar42 329y 0+	Ar43 5.37m (3/2,5/2)	Ar44 11.87m 0+	Ar45 21.48s	Ar46 8.4s 0+
Cl37 3/2+ 24.23	Cl38 3724m 2-	Cl39 556m 3/2+	Cl40 1.35m 2-	Cl41 38.4s (1/2,3/2)+	Cl42 6.8s	Cl43 3.3s	Cl44 434ms	Cl45 400ms
S36 0+ 0.02	S37 5.05m 7/2-	S38 1703m 0+	S39 11.5s (3/2,5/2,7/2)	S40 8.8s 0+	S41	S42 0.56s 0+	S43 220ms	S44 123ms 0+
P35 47.3s 1/2+	P36 5.6s	P37 2.31s	P38 0.64s	P39 0.16s	P40 260ms	P41 120ms	P42 110ms	P43 33ms
Si34 2.77s 0+	Si35 0.78s	Si36 0.45s 0+	Si37	Si38 0+	Si39	Si40 0+	Si41	Si42 0+
Al33	Al34 60ms	Al35 150ms	Al36	Al37	Al38	Al39		

**SENSITIVITY LIMIT**

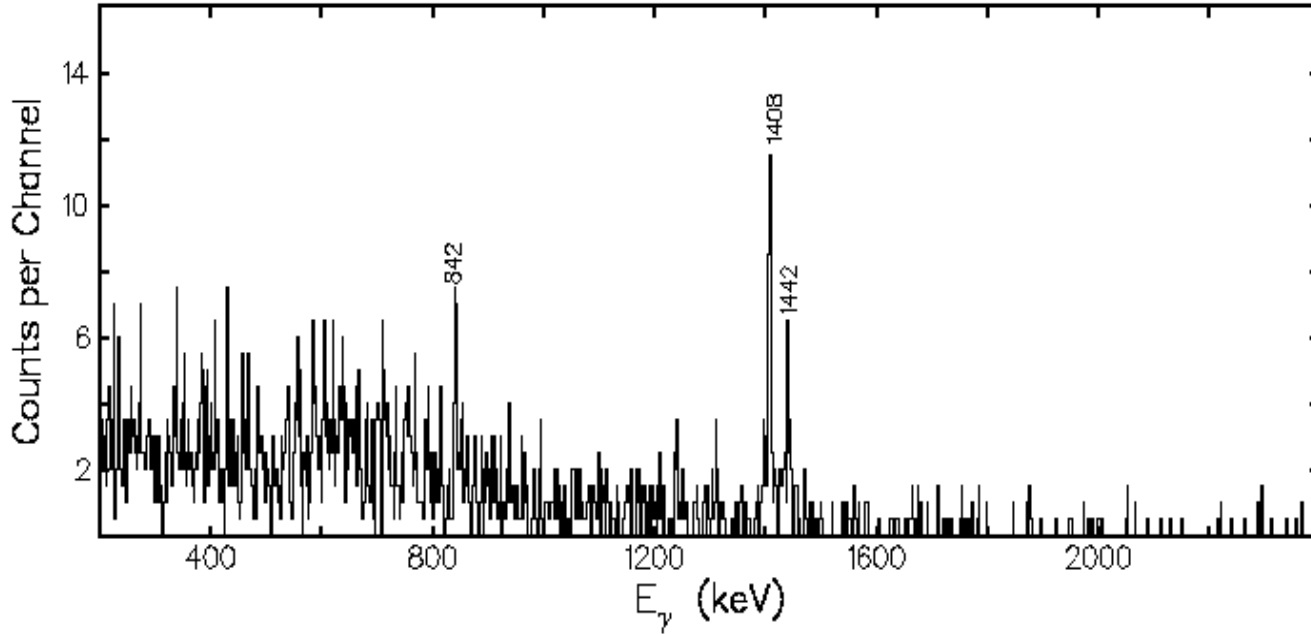
20      22      24      26      28



Effect of the occupancy of the  $\nu 1f_{7/2}$  orbital on the  $\pi d_{3/2}$  and  $\pi s_{1/2}$  single particle energy separation.

"Pseudo-SU(3)" symmetry and quadrupole deformation in n-rich S (N=24,26) isotopes

215MeV  $^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$  CLARA + PRISMA

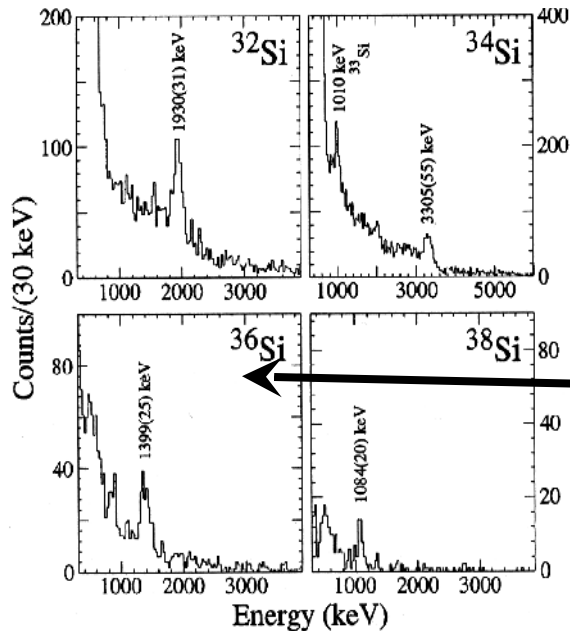


$^{36}\text{Si}$

6 neutrons  
from  
stability

In-beam Coulomb excitation following  
projectile fragmentation (MSU)

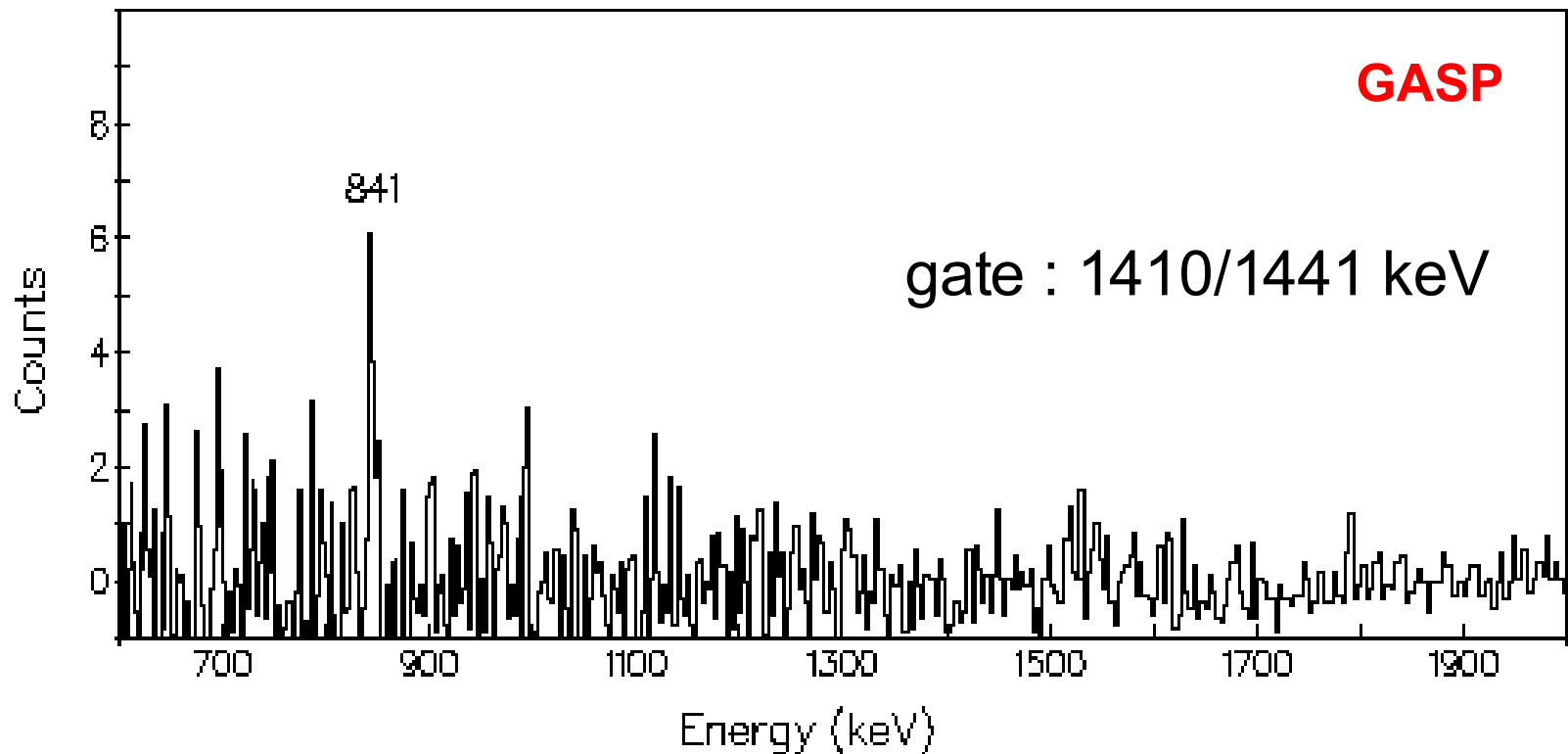
Array of 39 NaI(Tl) detectors



$70\text{MeV}/A$   $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^9\text{Be}$

# Double gated $^{36}\text{Si}$ spectrum from data obtained in thick target $230\text{MeV } ^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ experiment

J. Ollier, PhD thesis University of Paisley (2004) unpublished



$^{36}\text{Si}$

Strasbourg shell-model calculation

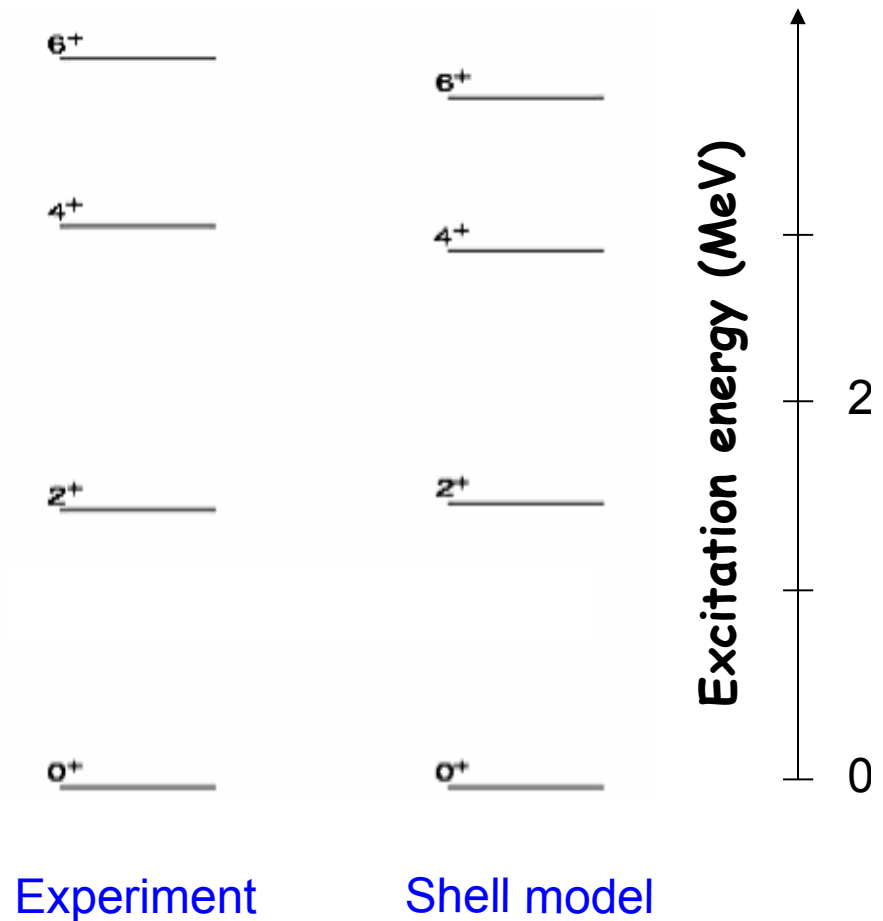
modified SDPF-NR interaction

$\pi$  sd-shell

$\nu$  fp-shell

pf shell pairing reduced by 200keV  
to reproduce  $E_{2+}$

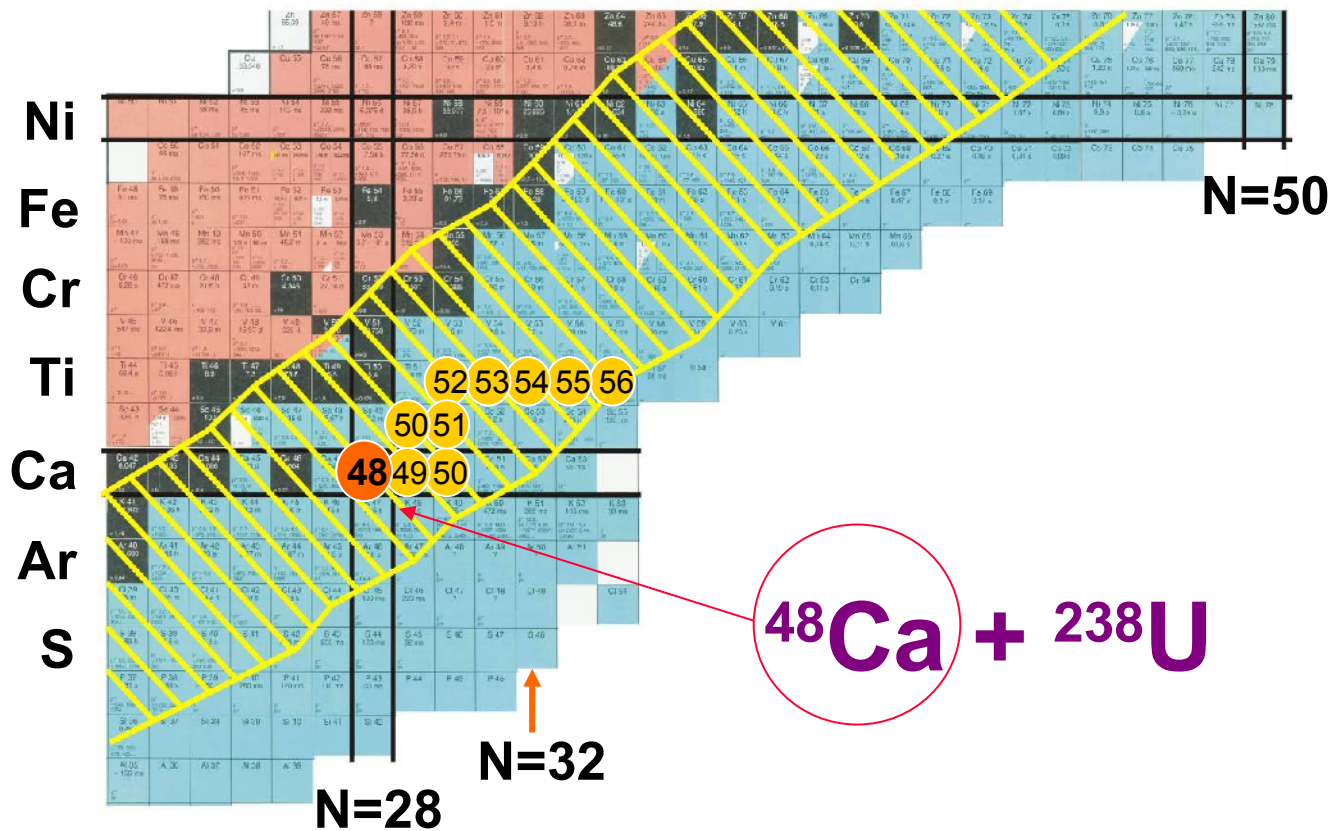
$2p_{3/2}$  orbital energy decreased by  
1MeV, otherwise higher spin levels  
too compressed.



X. Liang et al., Phys. Rev. C 74, 014311 (2006)  
E. Caurier et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 77, 427 (2005)



# Deep-inelastic reaction products around $^{48}\text{Ca}$ previously studied in thick target experiment



$^{52,53,54,56}\text{Ti}$ :

✓ R.V.F. Janssens et al.,  
PLB 546, 55 (2002)

✓ B. Fornal et al.,  
PRC 72, 044315 (2005),  
PRC 70, 064304 (2004)

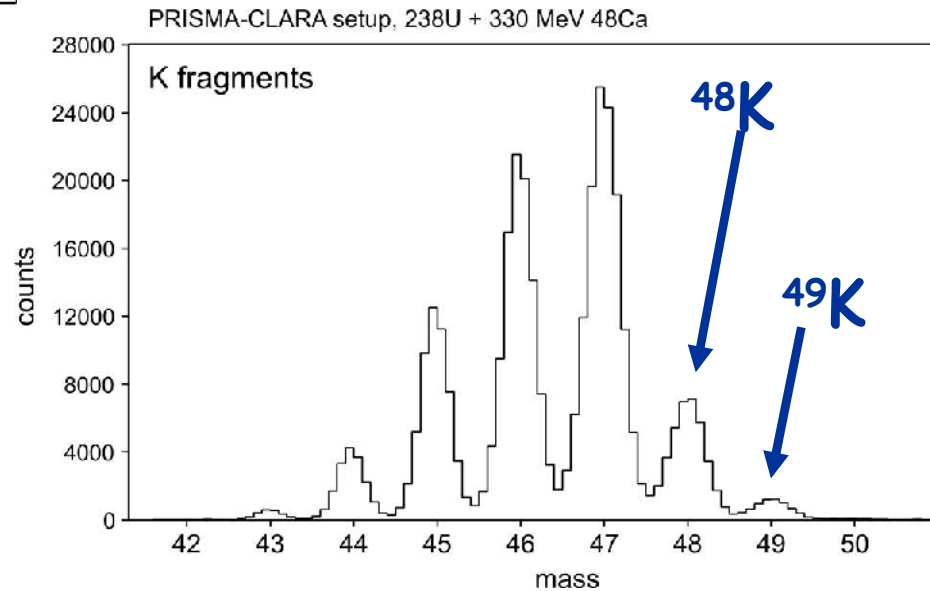
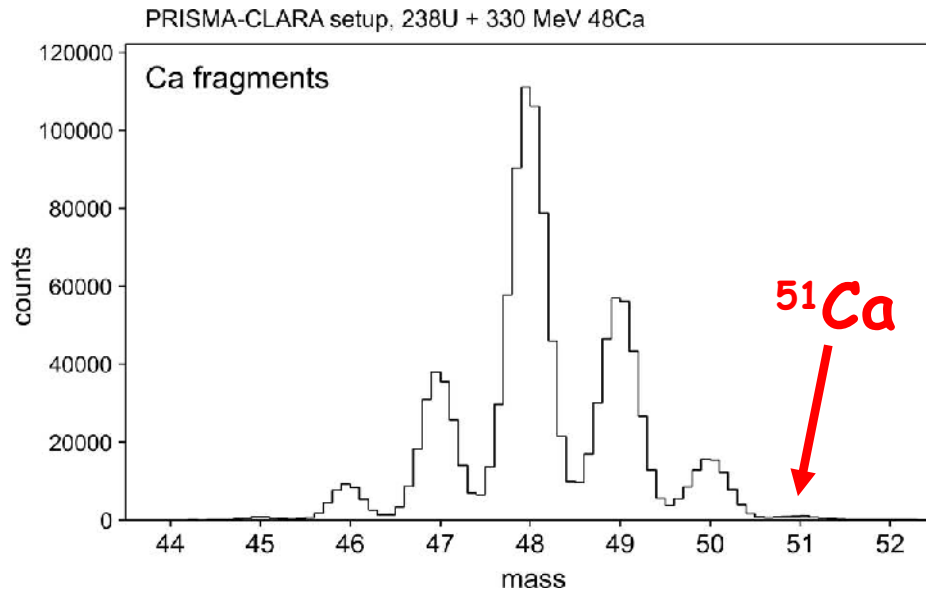
✓ S. Zhu et al.,  
PLB 650, 135 (2007)

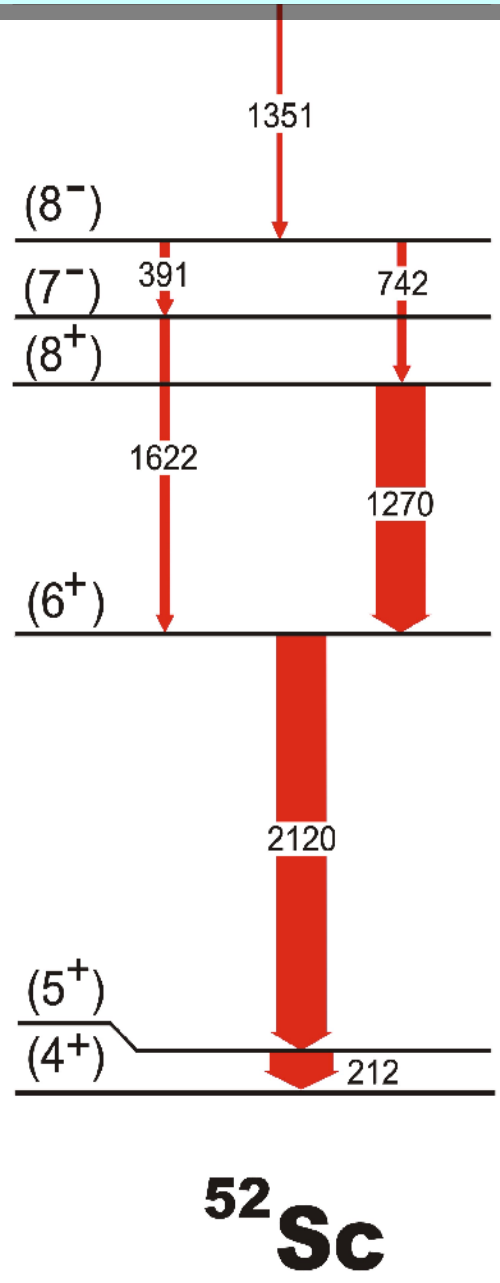
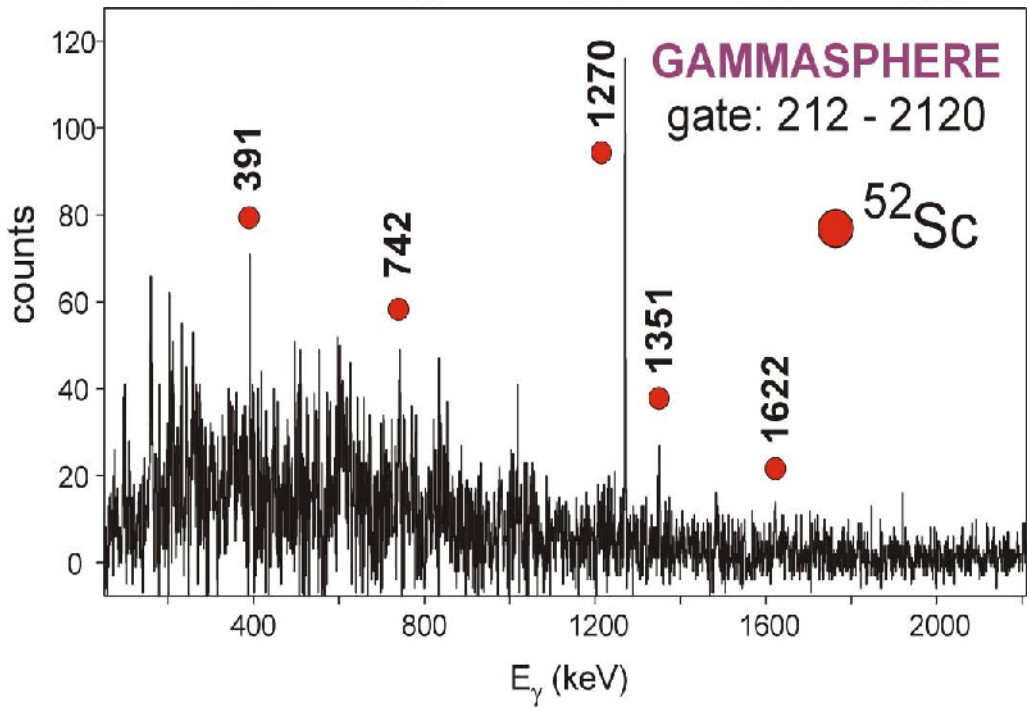
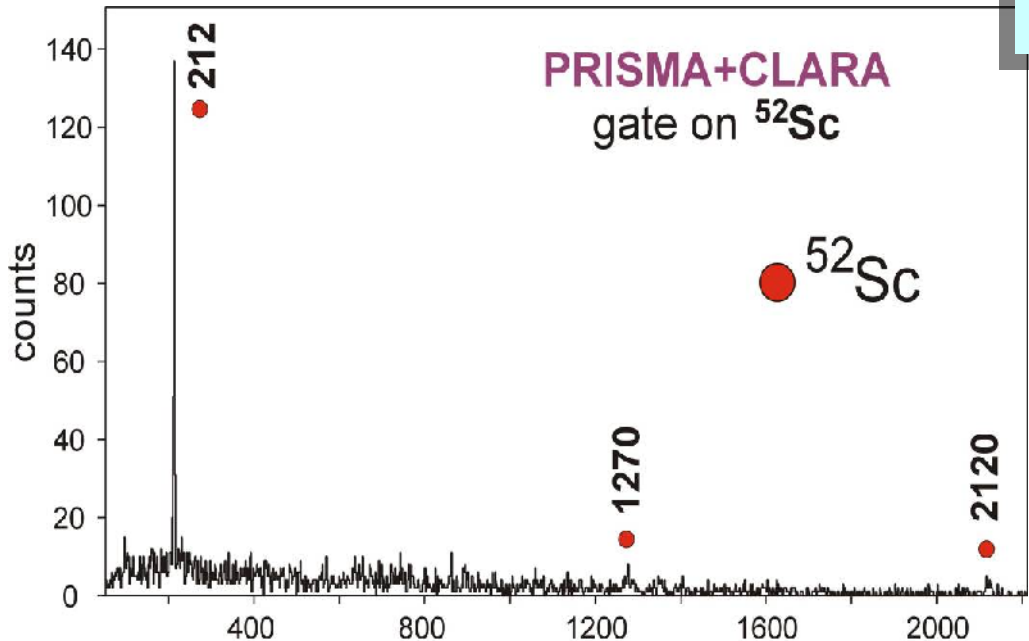
$^{49,50}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{51}\text{Sc}$ :

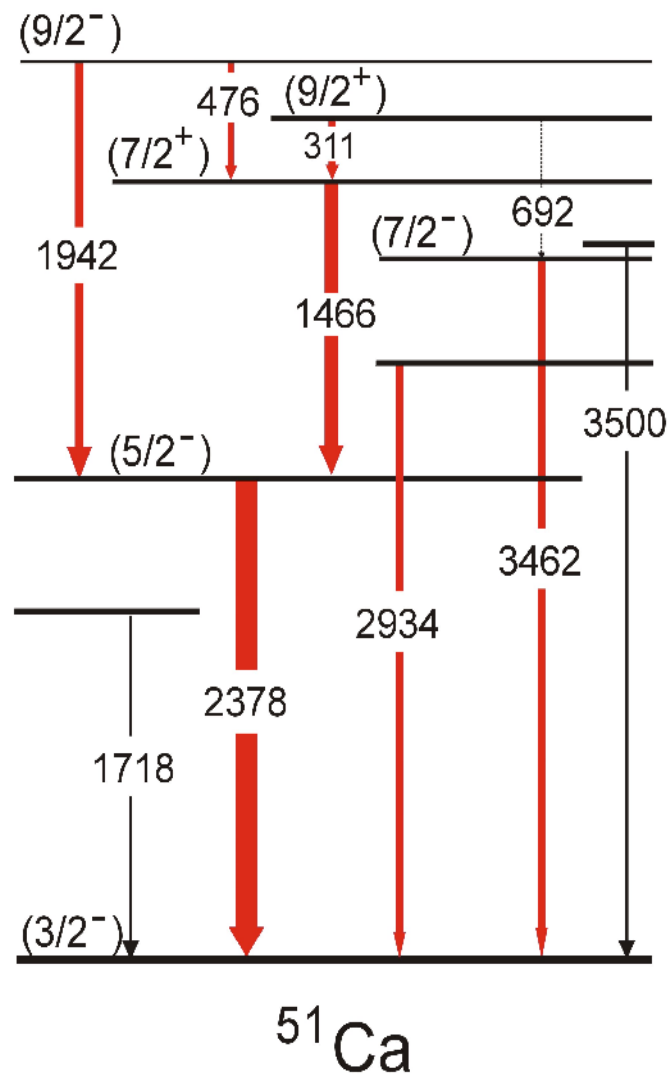
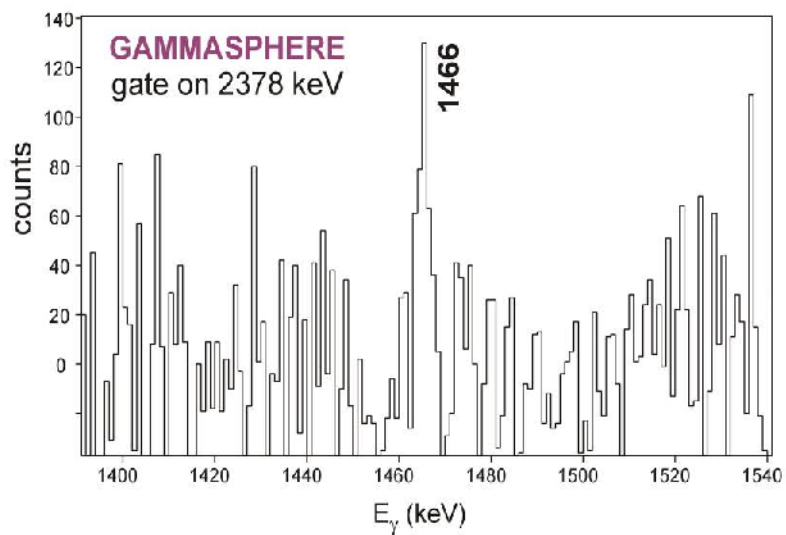
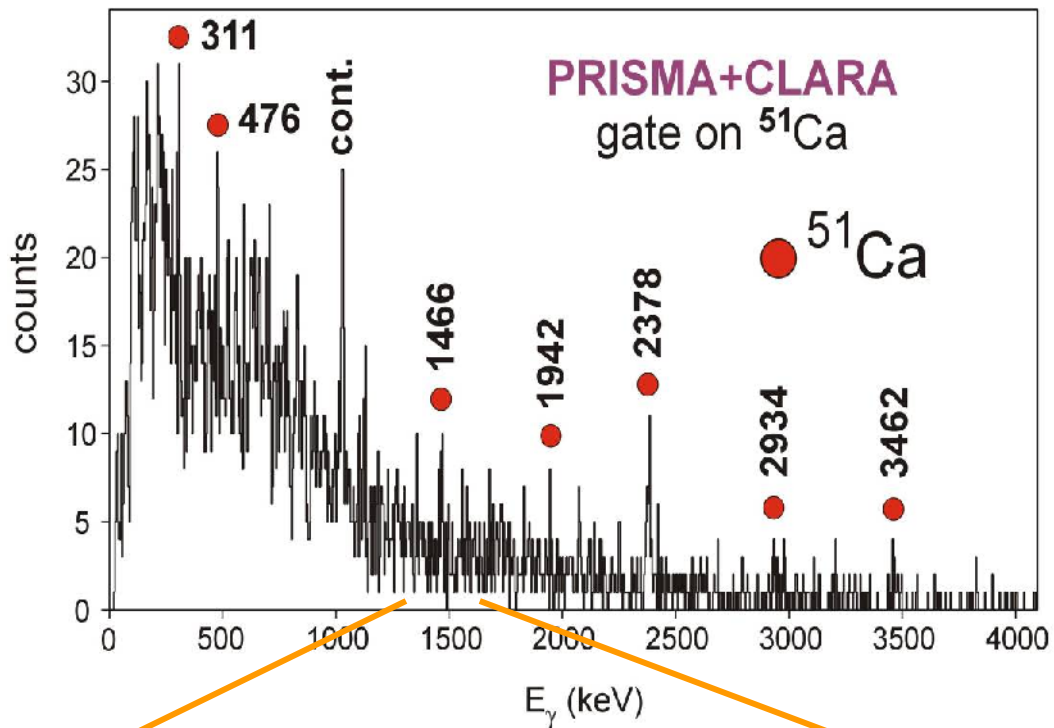
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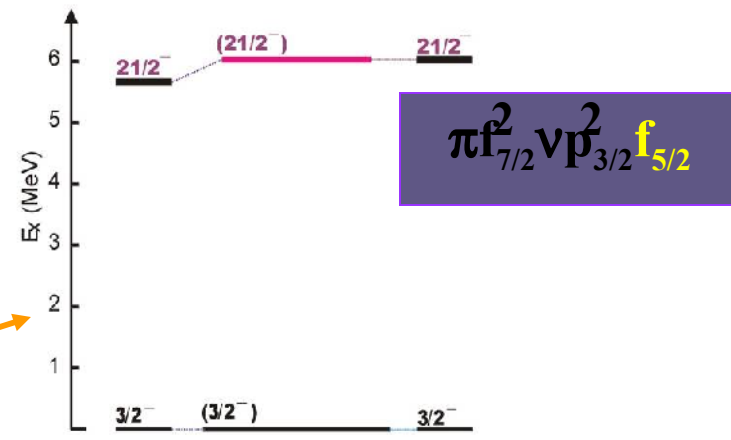
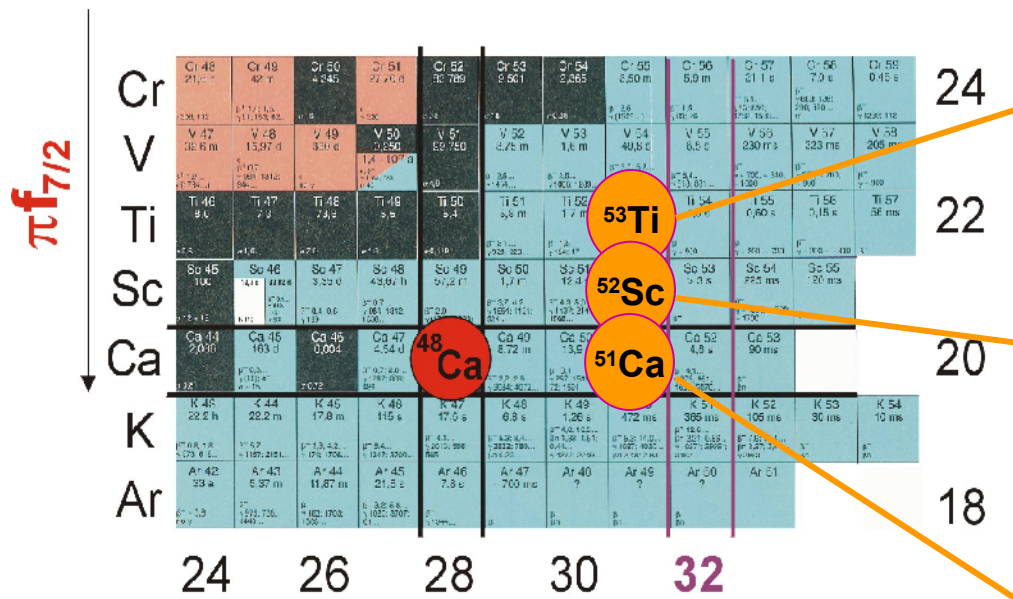


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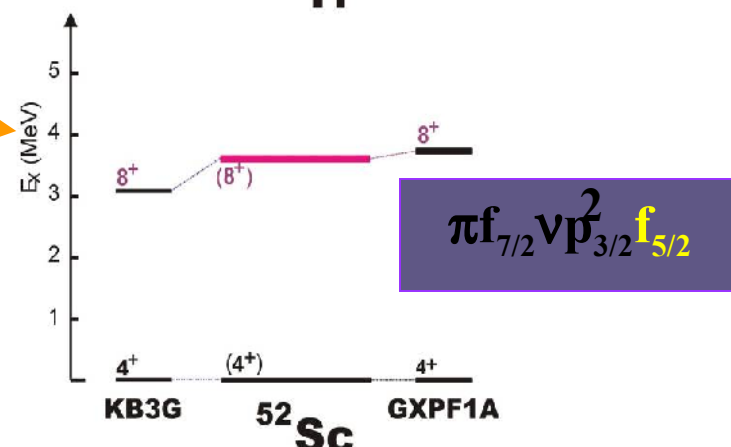




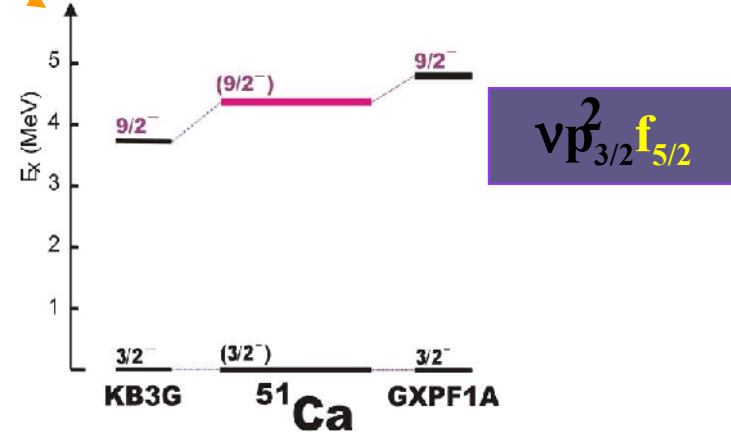




$\pi f_{7/2}^2 \nu p_{3/2}^2 f_{5/2}$



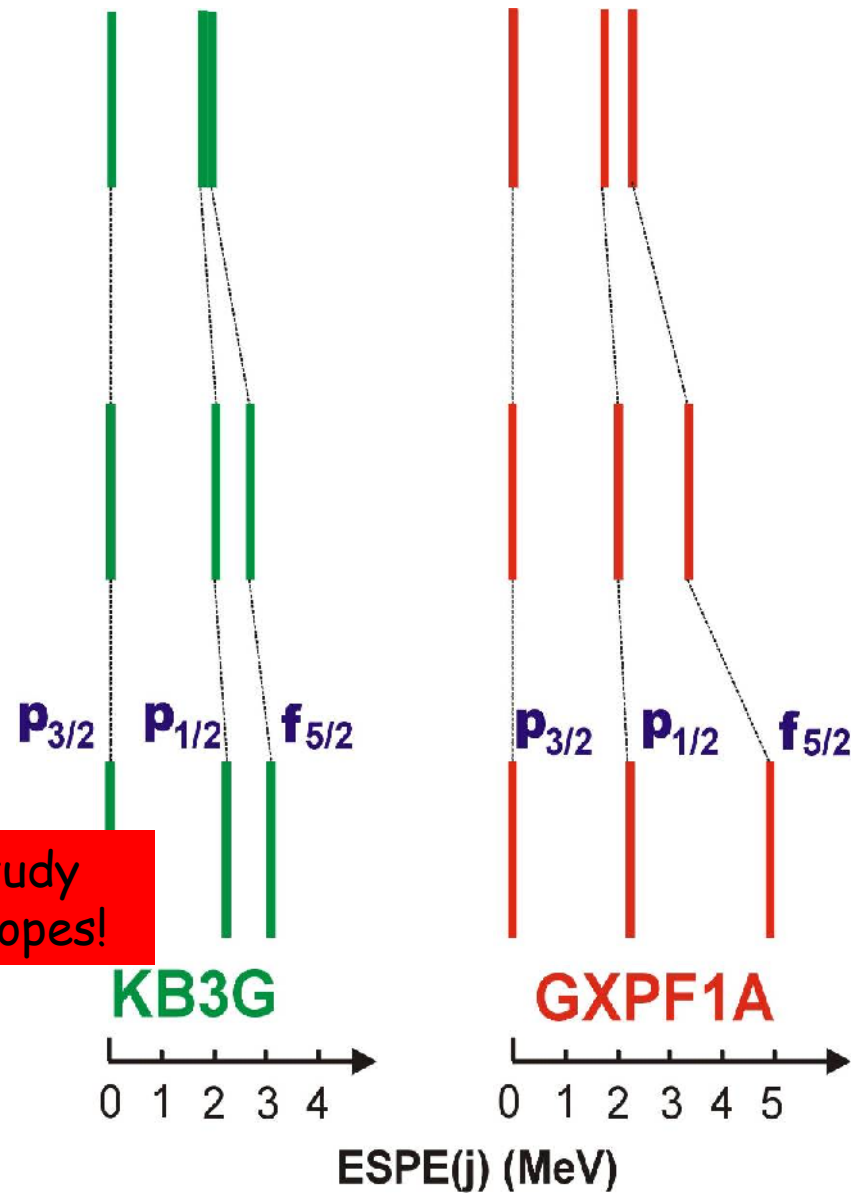
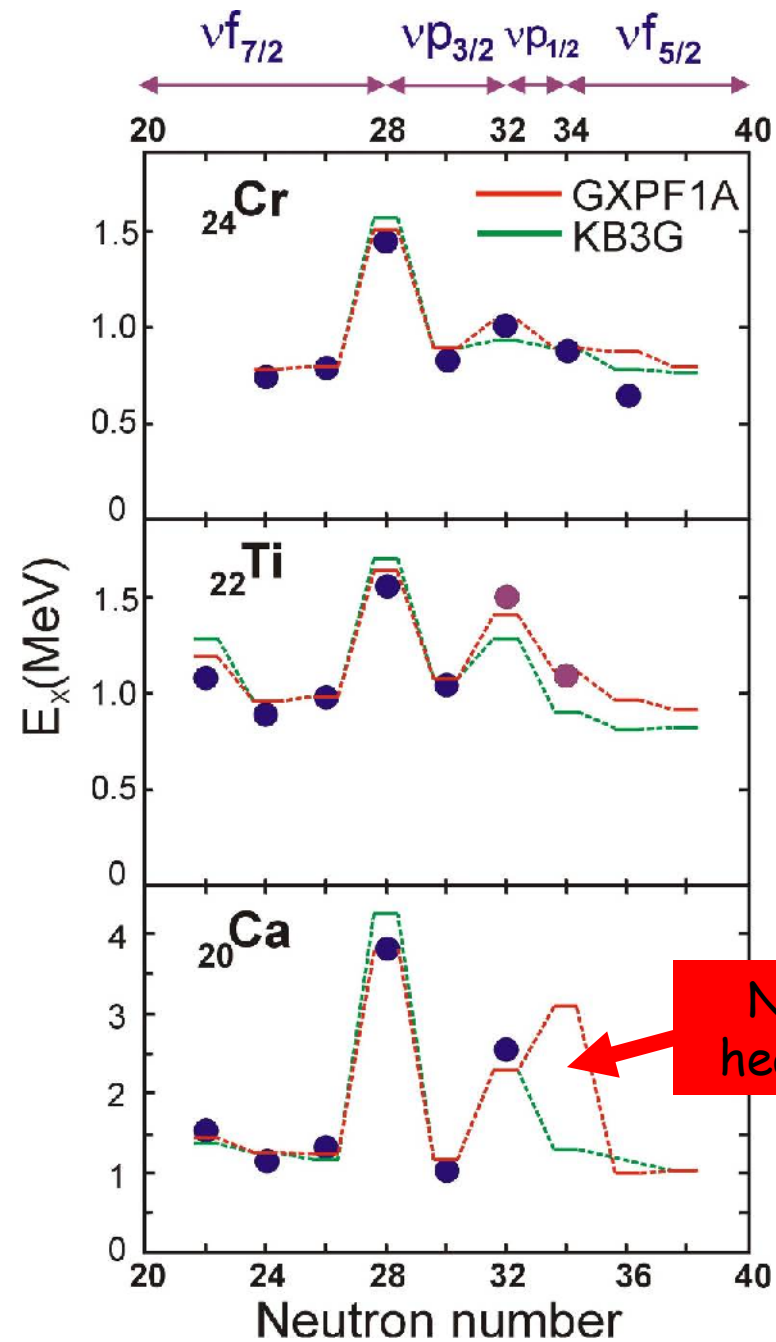
$\pi f_{7/2} \nu p_{3/2}^2 f_{5/2}$



$\nu p_{3/2}^2 f_{5/2}$

KB3G:  
 A.Poves et al.  
*Nucl. Phys. A* (2001).

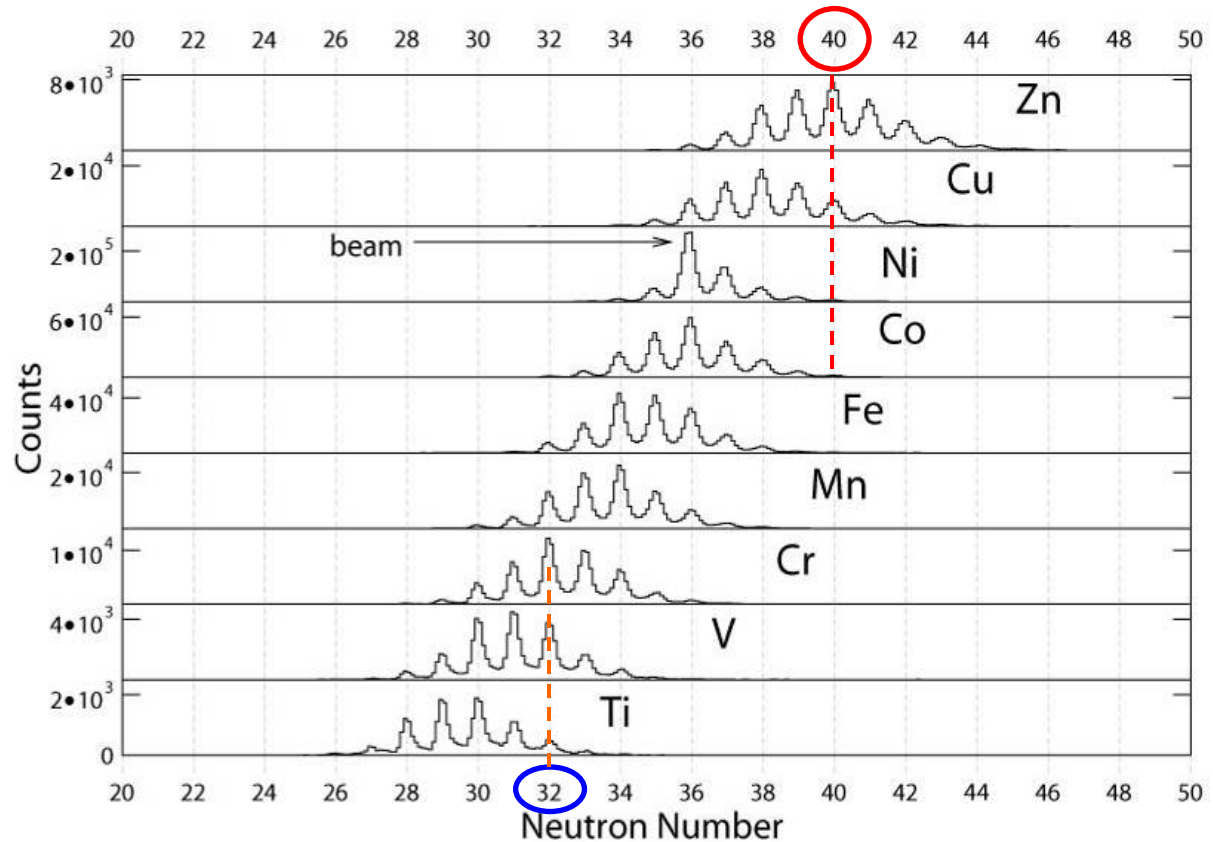
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*Phys. Rev. C* (2002);  
*Eur. Phys. J. A* (2004).





# Shell closures and collectivity in n-Rich $A \approx 50-60$ Nuclei

- Possible shell closures at  $N=32$  and  $N=34$
- Onset of collective behaviour in heavier isotopes

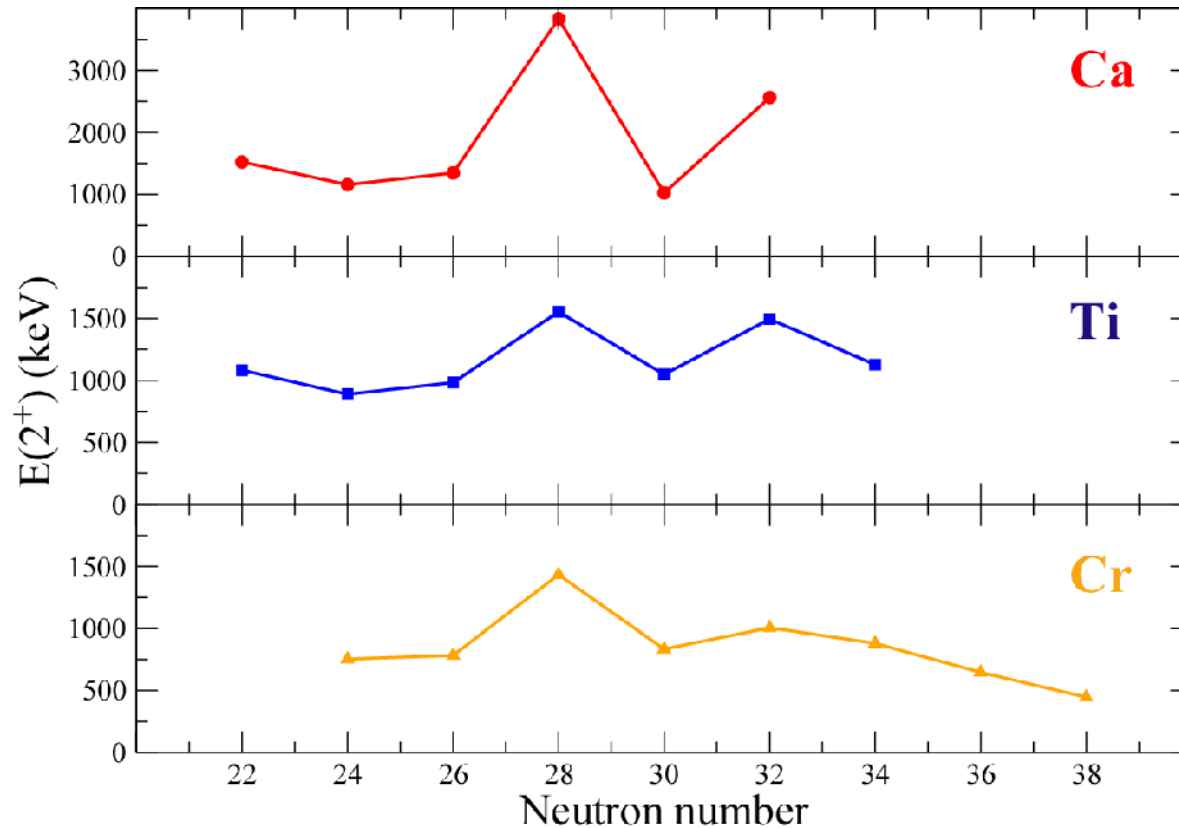


400 MeV  $^{64}\text{Ni}$  on  $^{238}\text{U}$



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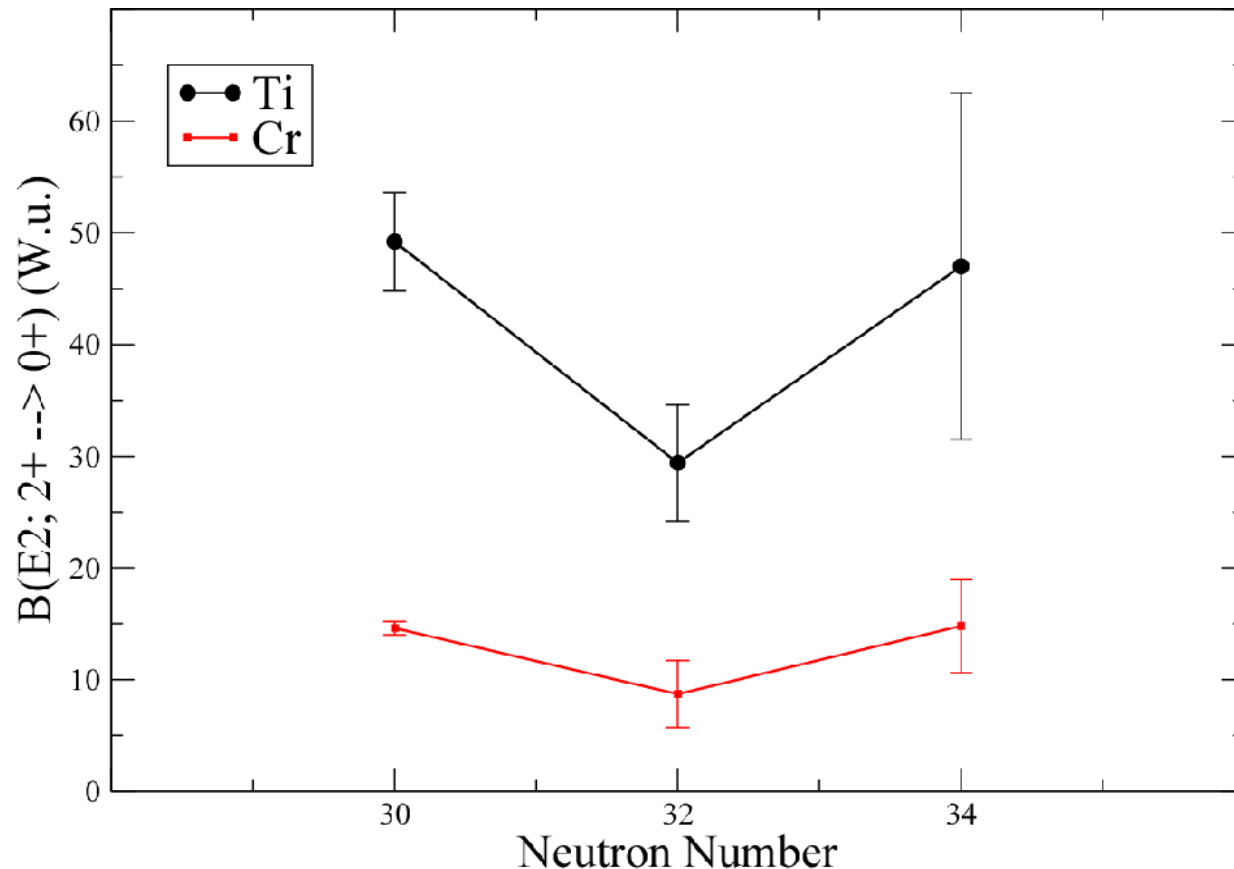
Systematics of the  $2^+$  energy in the Ca and Ti even-even isotopes suggests that  $N=32$  might be a good (sub)shell closure. The same systematics for the Cr isotopes points to quite a collective behaviour for the heavier isotopes.



This trend is well reproduced by shell-model calculations in a  $pf$  space

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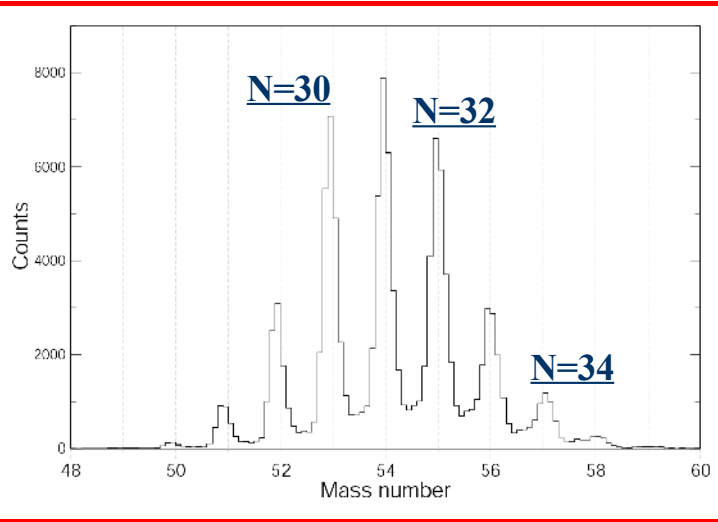
Transition probability data from RISING and MSU are consistent with a sub-shell closure at  $N=32$ . The spectroscopic information for the heavy Cr isotopes, prior to this measurement, was mostly limited to the energy of the first  $2^+$  state, identified from  $\beta$ -decay experiments.



*A.Bürger et al,  
PLB 622, 29 (2005)*  
*D.-C.Dinca et al,  
PRC 71, 041302(R) (2005)*  
*J.I.Prisciandaro et al,  
PLB 510, 17 (2001)*  
*O.Sorlin et al,  
EPJA 16, 55 (2003)*

# Spectroscopy around the N=32 shell closure

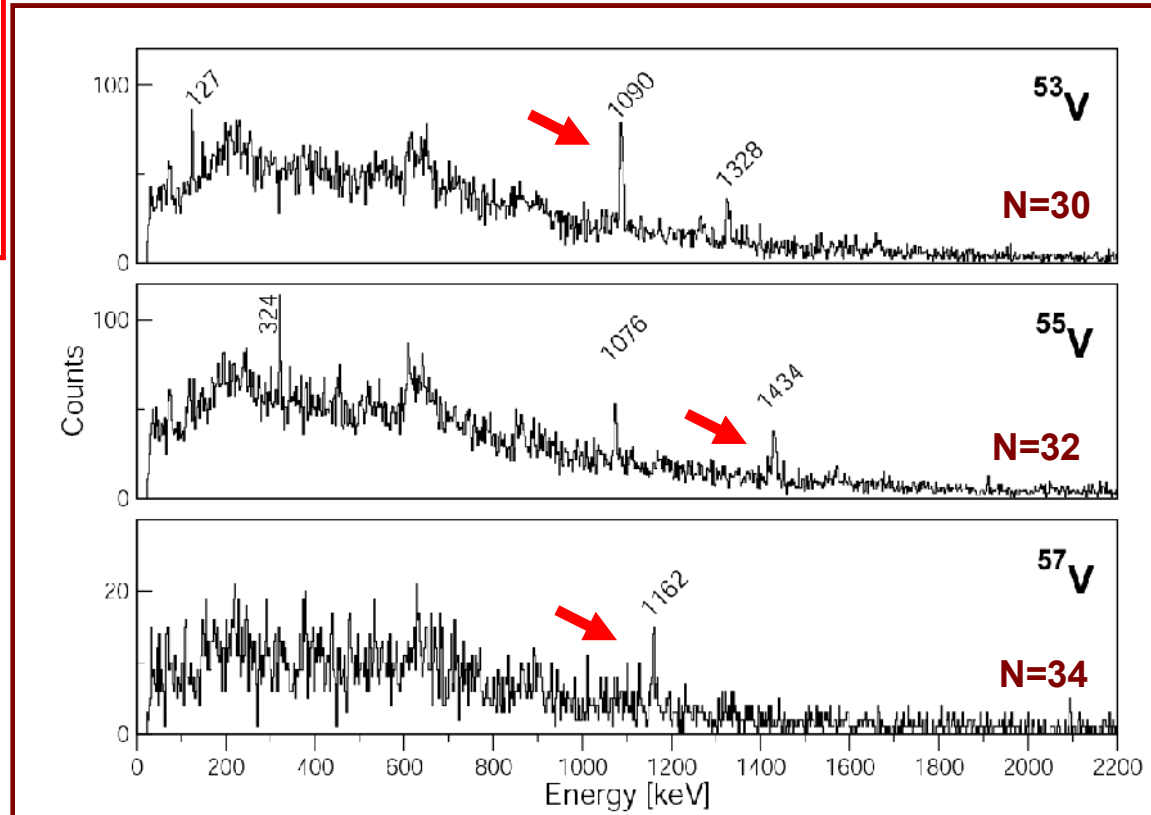
## V isotopes



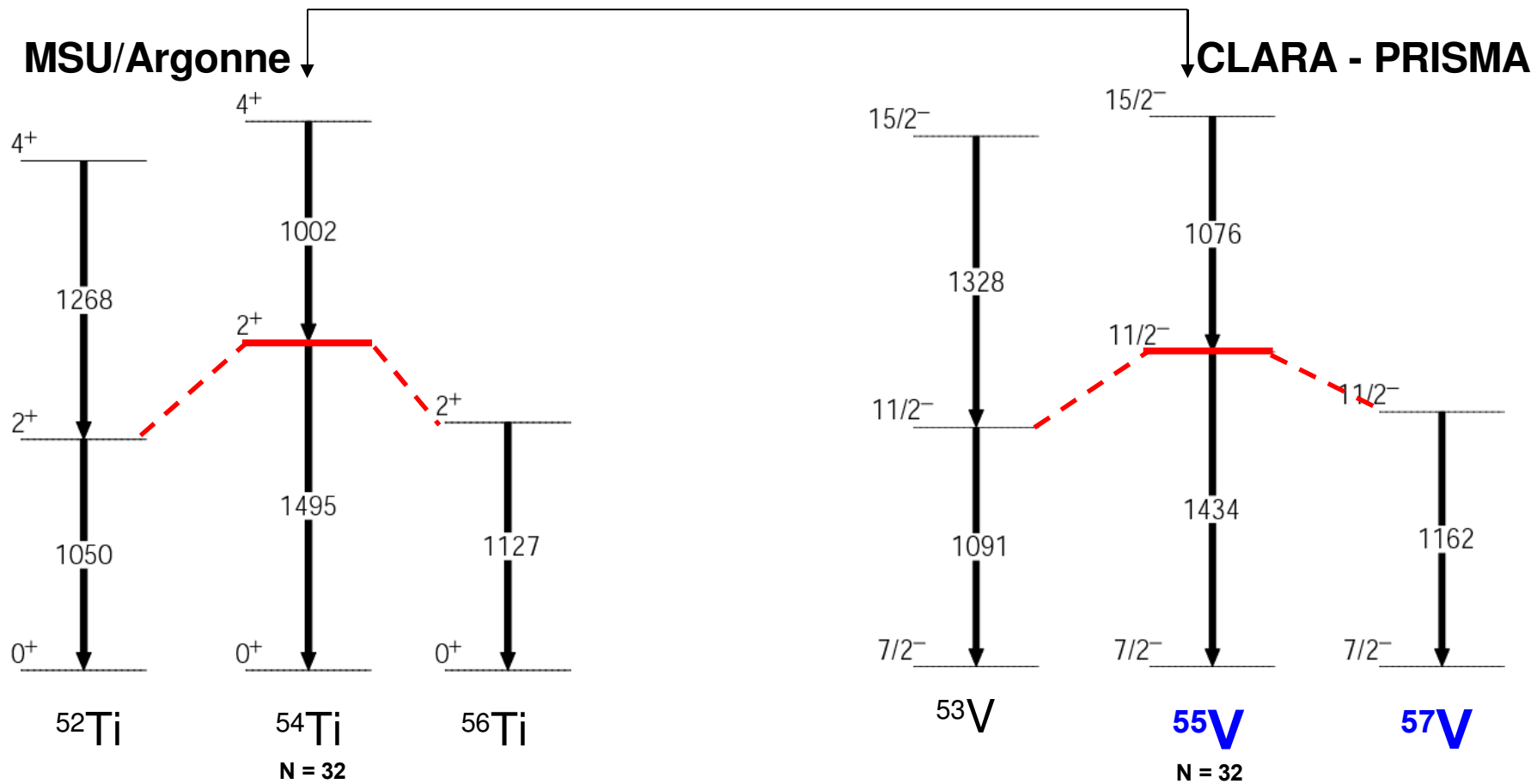
First identification of yrast states in heavy odd-A Vanadium isotopes  $^{55}\text{V}$  and  $^{57}\text{V}$



N=32 shell closure previously observed in  $^{54}\text{Ti}$  and  $^{56}\text{Cr}$



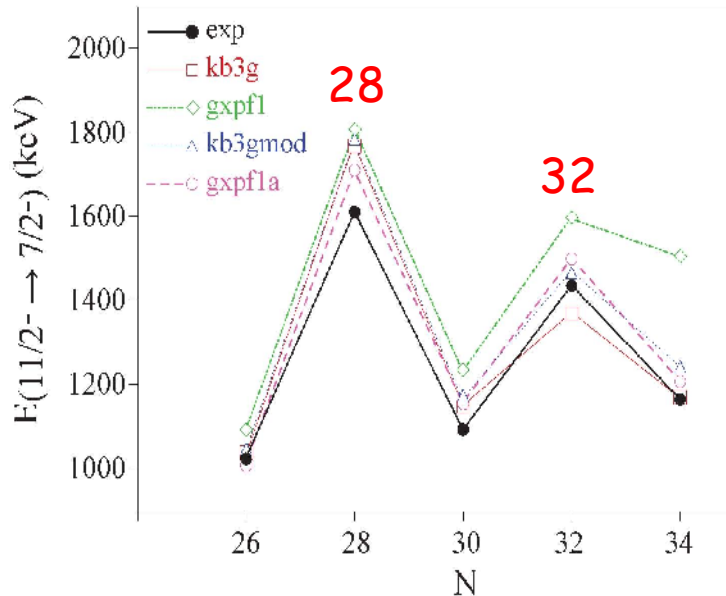
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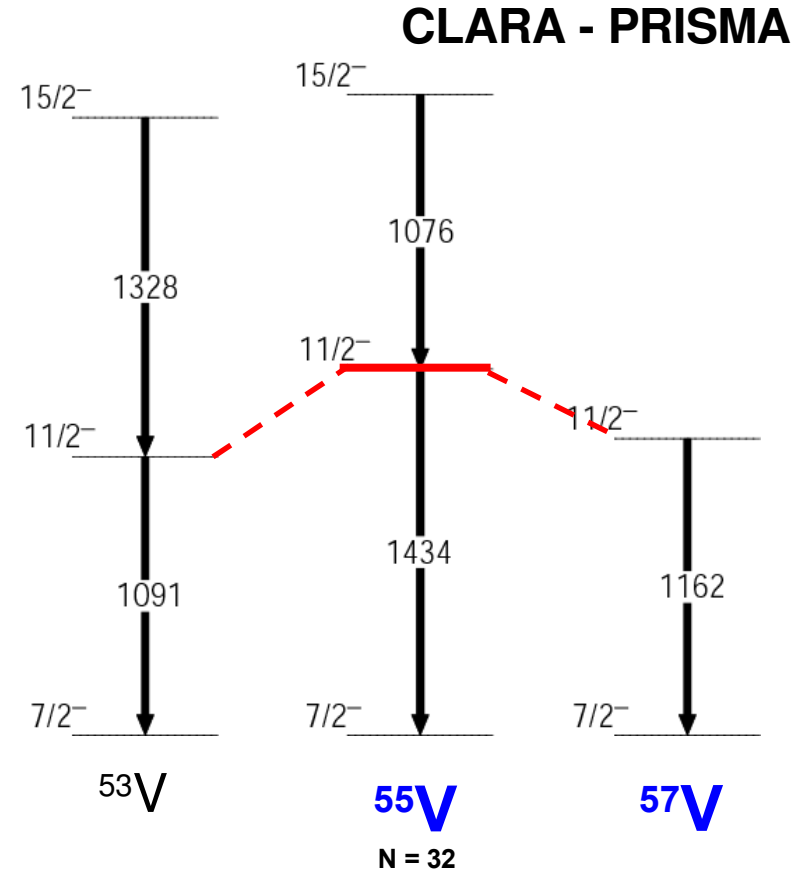
- First experimental observation of the  $1\pi f_{7/2}$  band in  $^{55,57}\text{V}$

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## Shell model Calculations for Vanadium isotopes

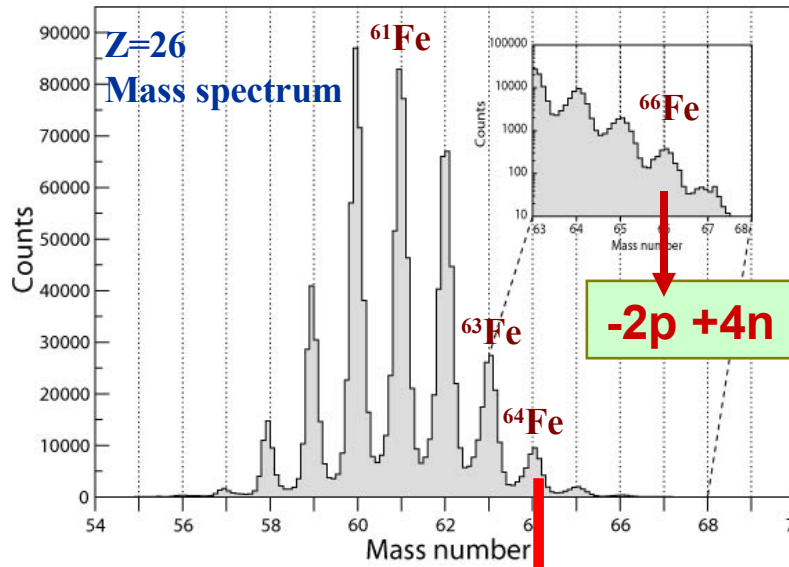


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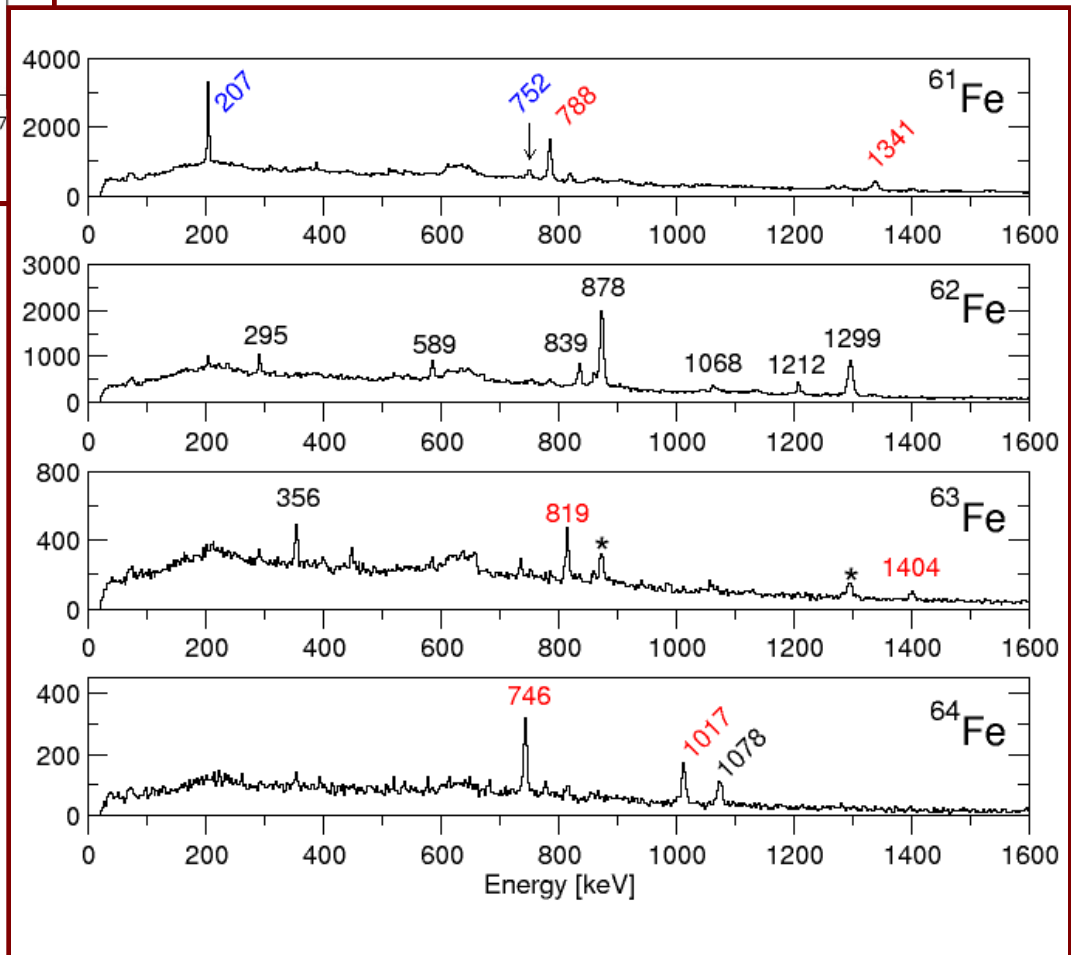


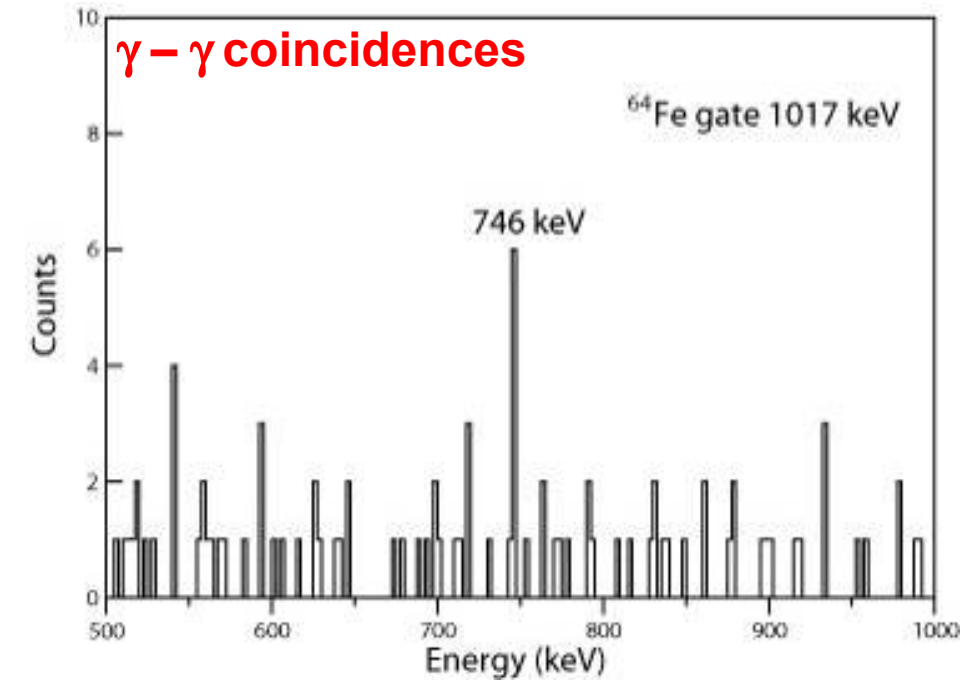
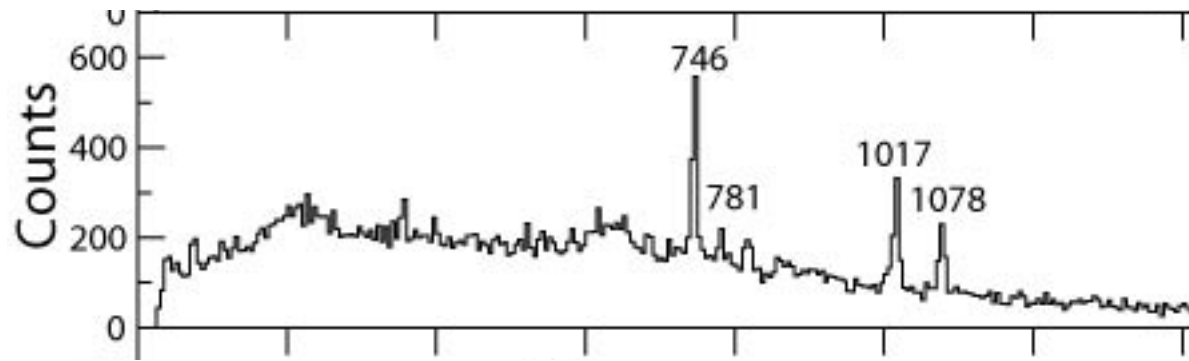
- First experimental observation of the  $1\pi f_{7/2}$  band in  $^{55,57}\text{V}$
- The shell closure predicted at N=34 in some calculations is not confirmed by experimental data

# Neutron-rich Fe nuclei populated in the $^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{238}\text{U}$ reaction at 400 MeV



**CLARA-PRISMA  
coincidences**





$^{64}\text{Fe}$

(8<sup>+</sup>) 3622

781

(6<sup>+</sup>) 2841

1078

4<sup>+</sup> 1763

1017

$E_4/E_2 = 2.36$

2<sup>+</sup> 746

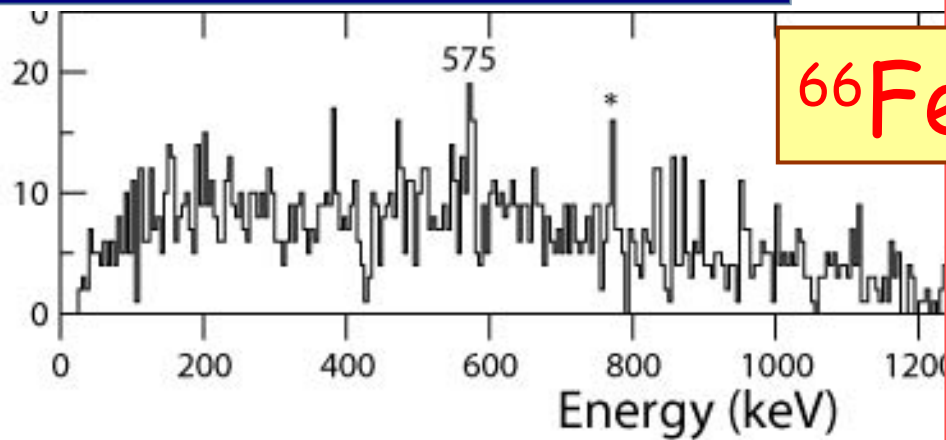
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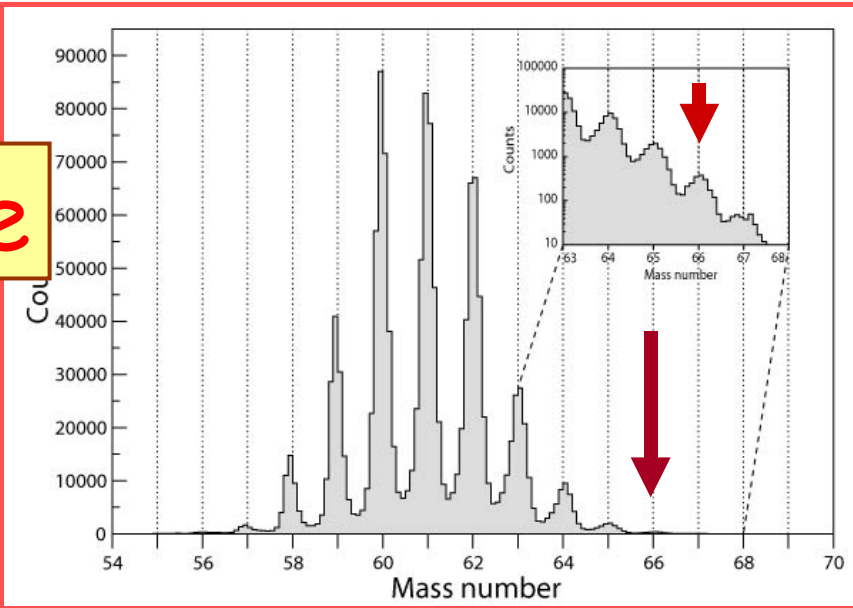
$^{64}\text{Fe}$



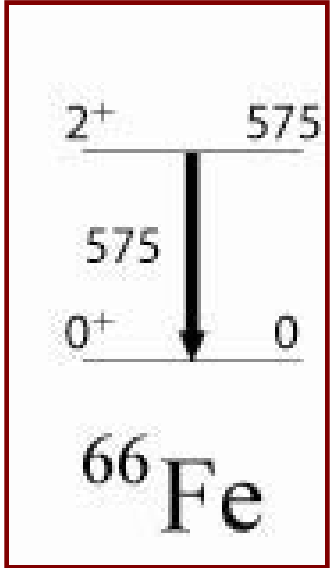
# $^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{238}\text{U}$ at 400 MeV



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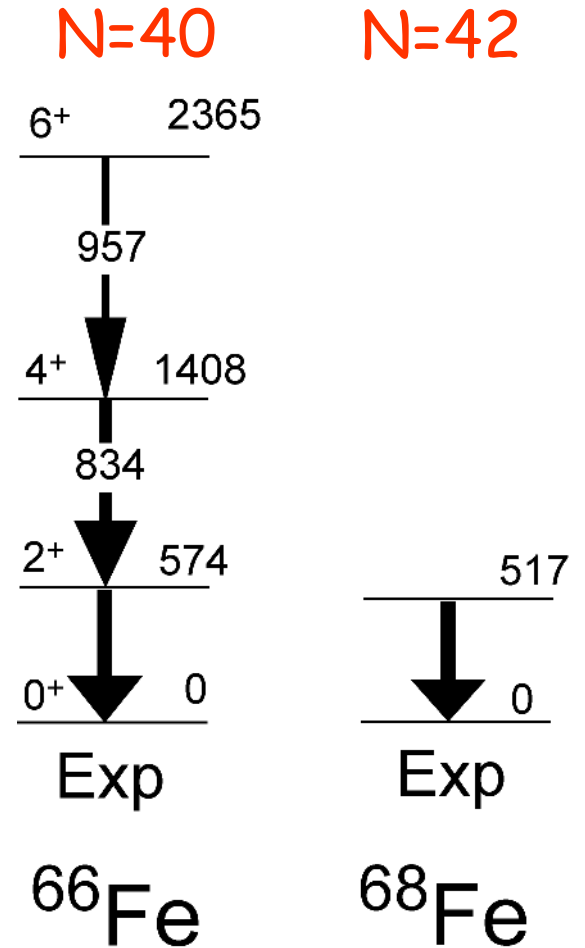
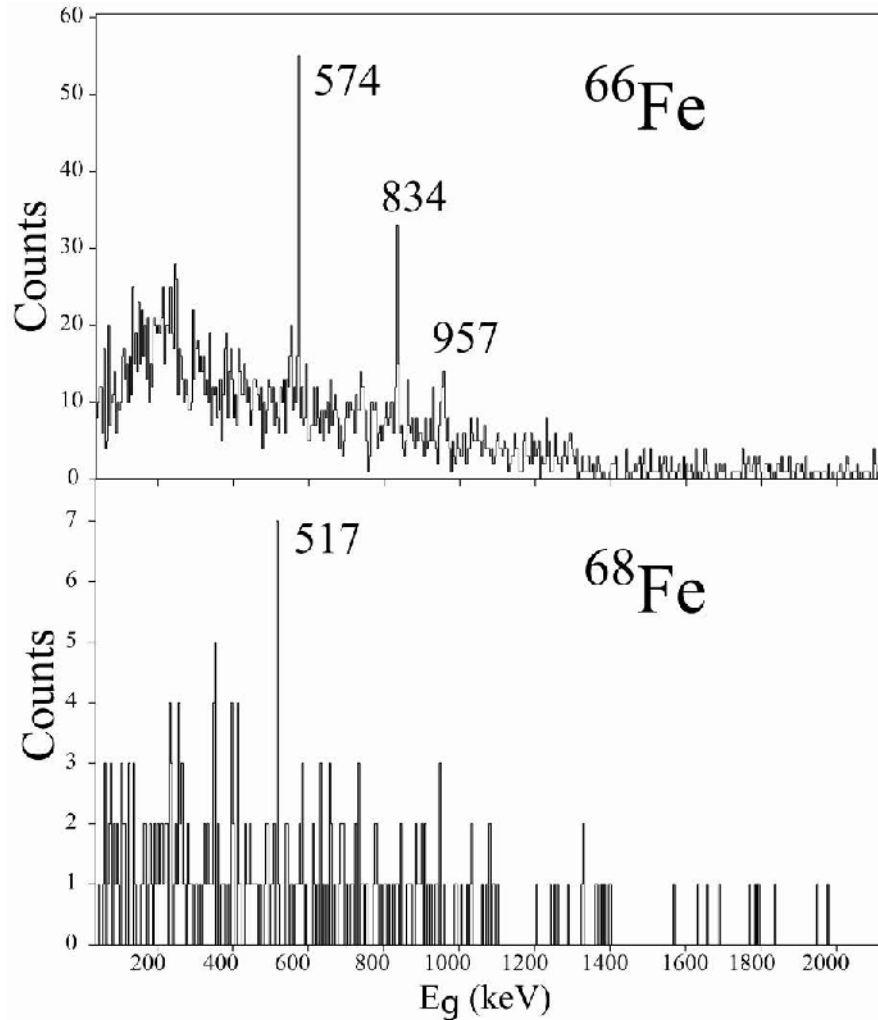


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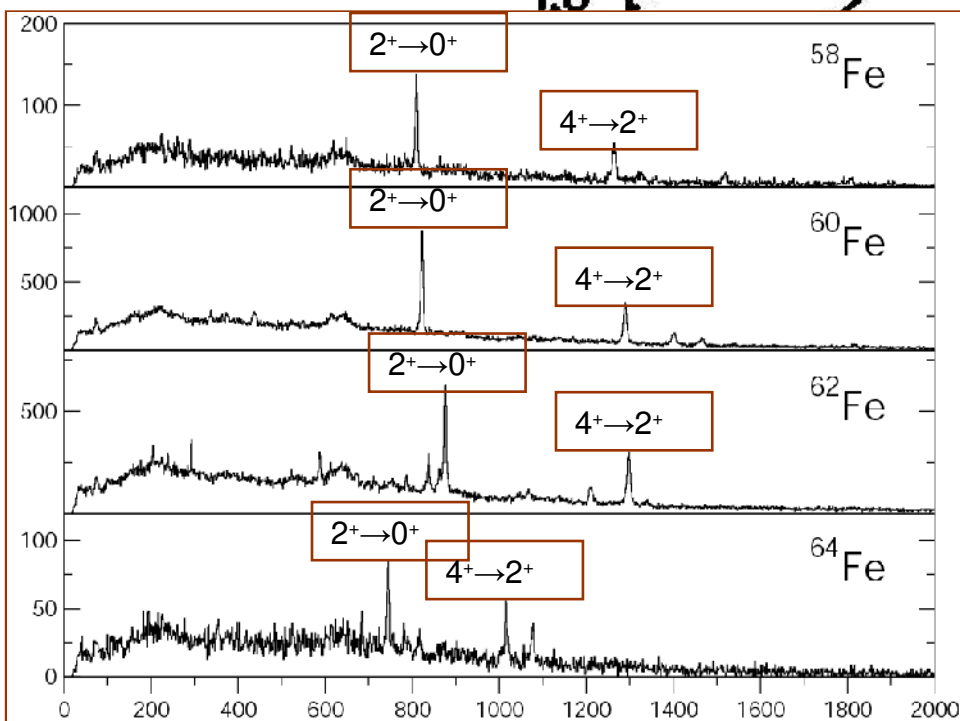
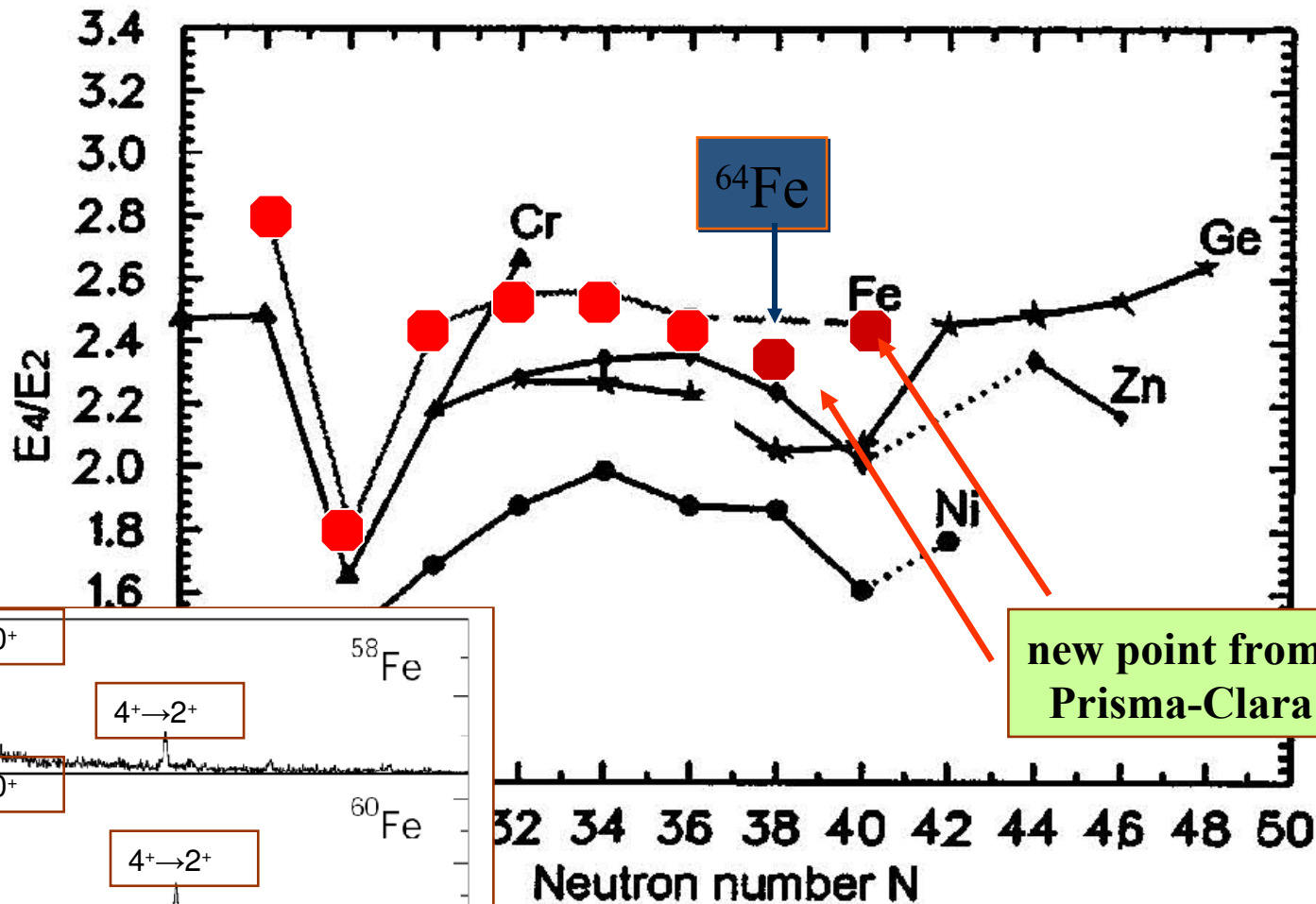


# Beyond N=40

$^{70}\text{Zn}$  on  $^{238}\text{U}$  at 460 MeV



S.M. Lenzi et al., LNL Annual Report 2007 and to be published



$E_4/E_2$  ratio in even-even Fe nuclei ●

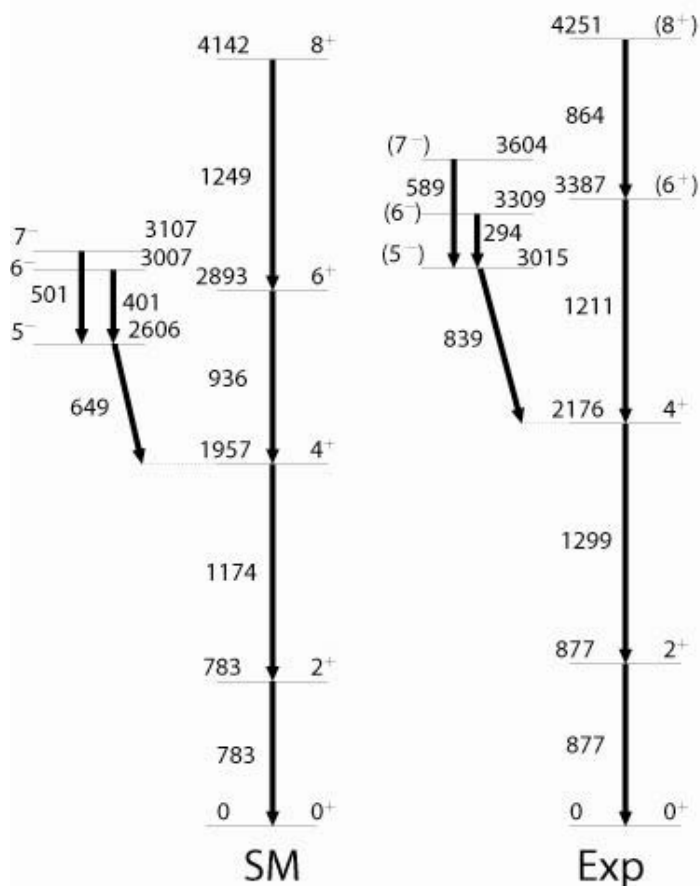
# Shell model calculations for Fe nuclei

Core  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ , **fpg** effective interaction

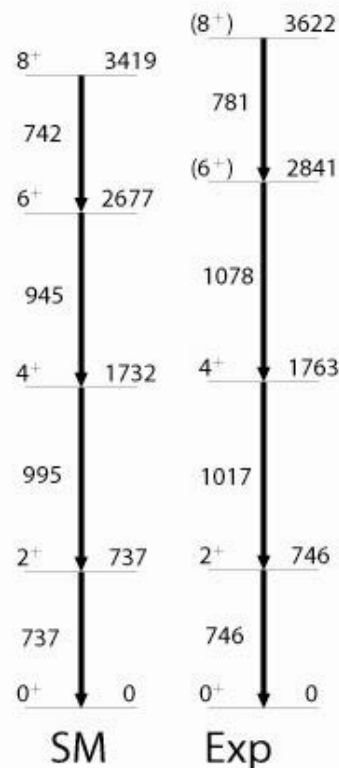
Proton valence space: **fp** orbitals

Neutron valence space:  $p_{3/2}, f_{5/2}, p_{1/2}, g_{9/2}$

$^{62}\text{Fe}$

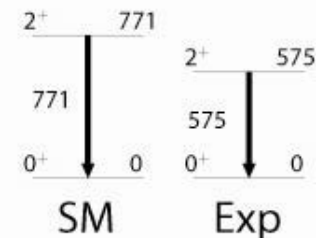


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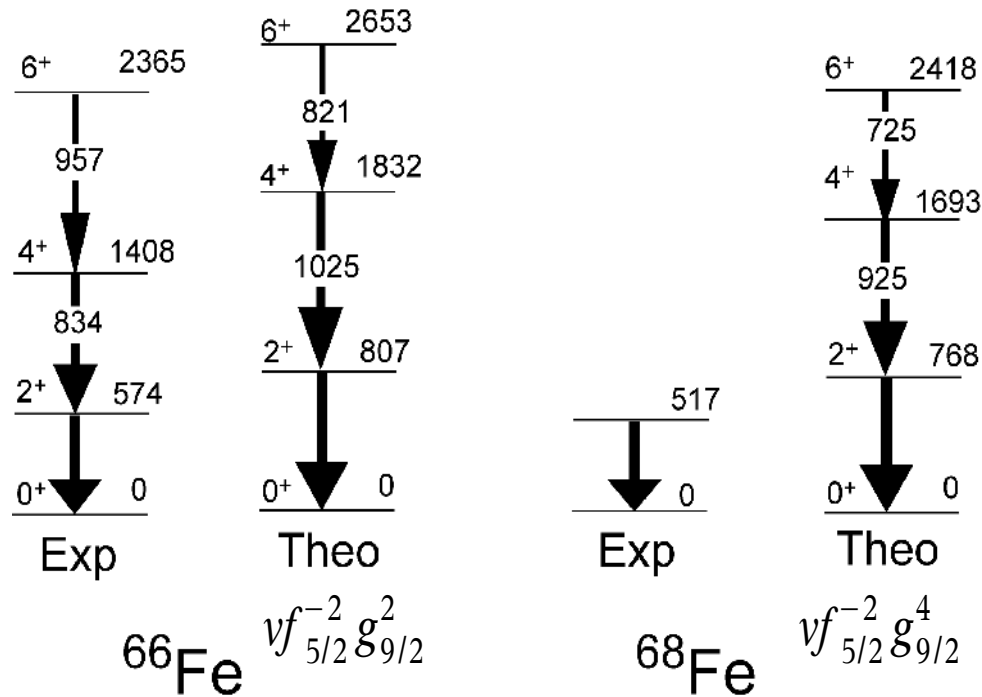


even-even  
Fe nuclei

$^{66}\text{Fe}$



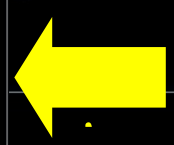
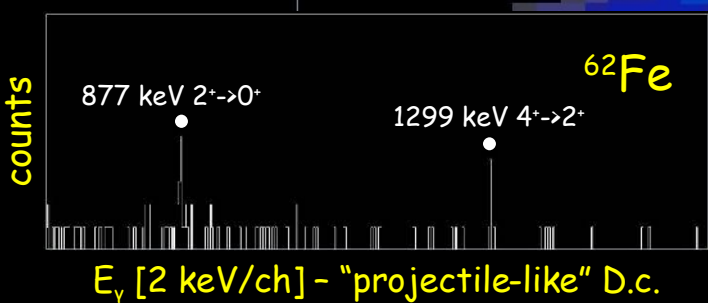
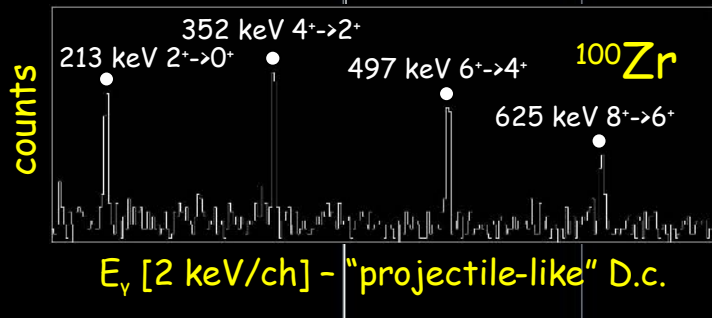
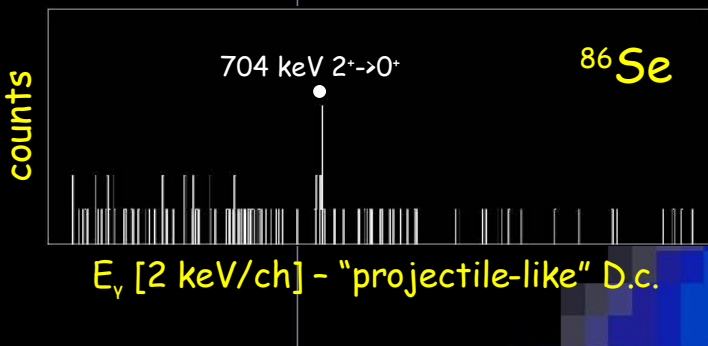
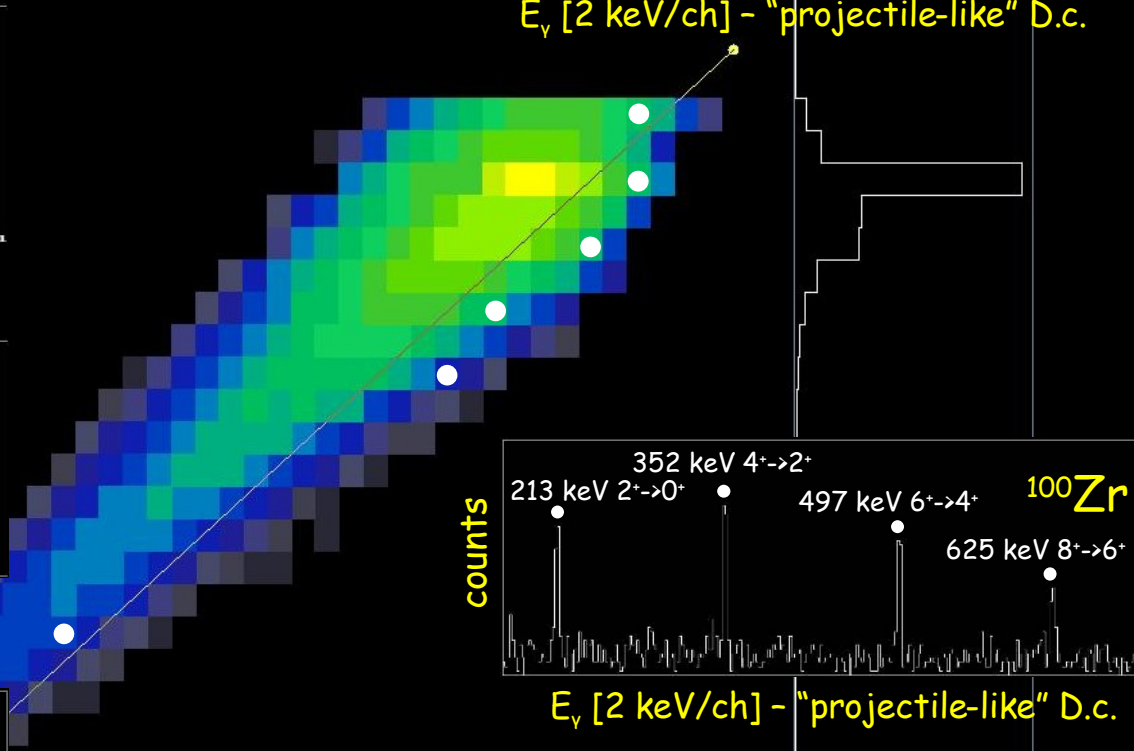
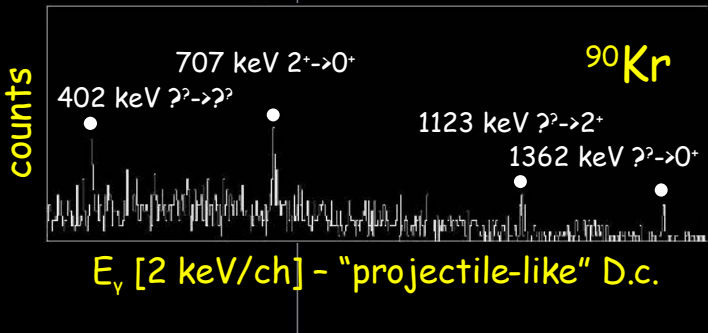
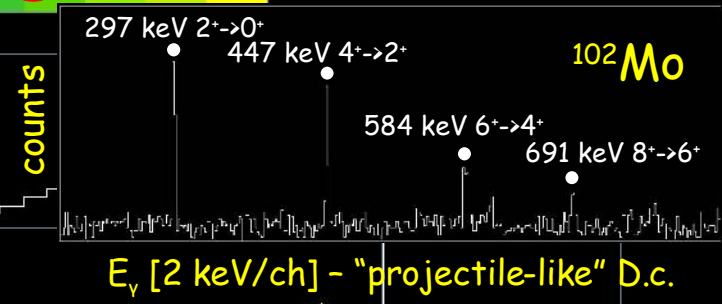
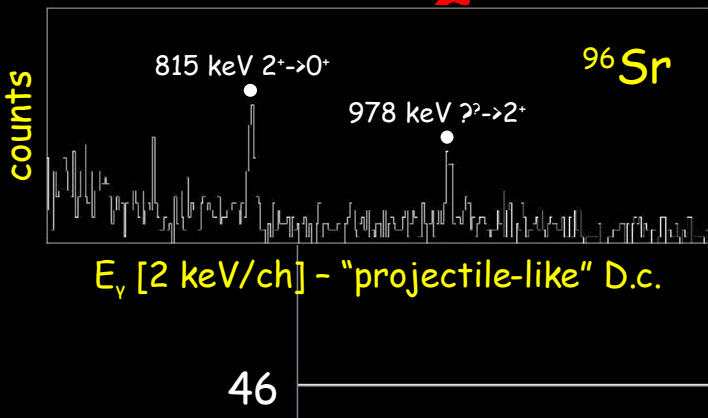
# Comparison with shell model



The experimental level schemes seem to be more quadrupole-collective than the calculated ones.

This quadrupole collectivity can be produced by including the  $d_{5/2}$  shell in the model space (pseudo-SU(3), see A.P.Zuker et al., PRC, 2005)

# from neutron-rich tile-like fragments

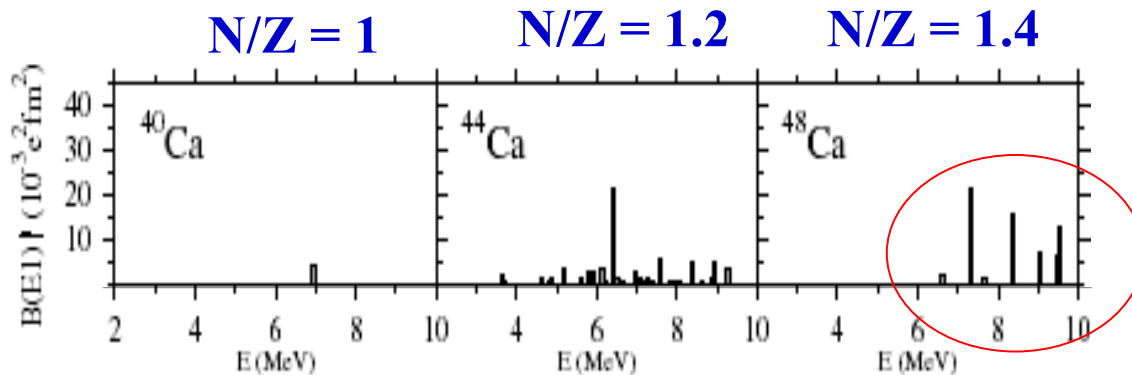
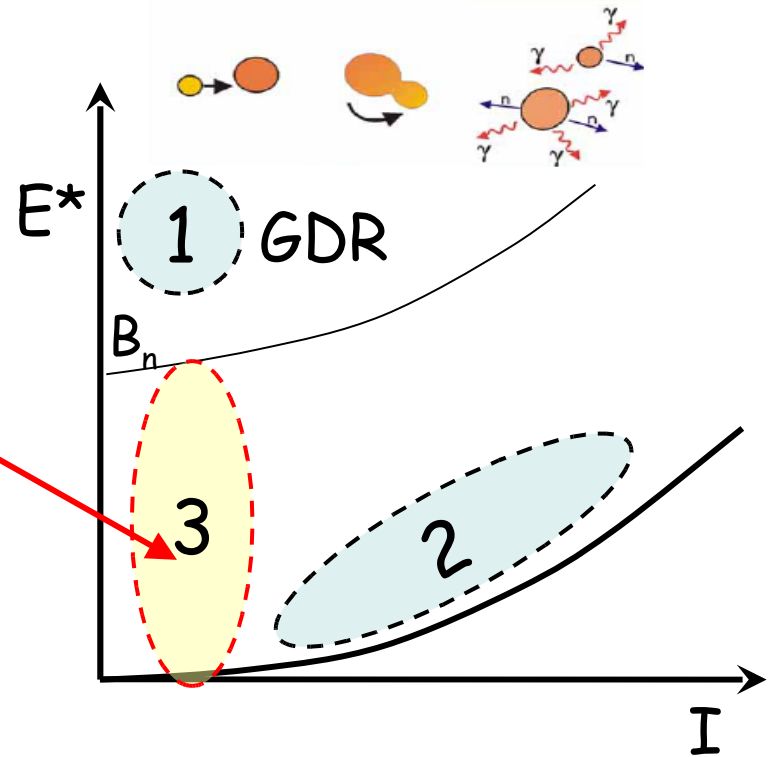


# $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$ @ 300 MeV

S. Leoni et al.

Investigation of the **potentially of deep inelastic reactions** to get access to excited bound states (~ up to 6-8 MeV above yrast)

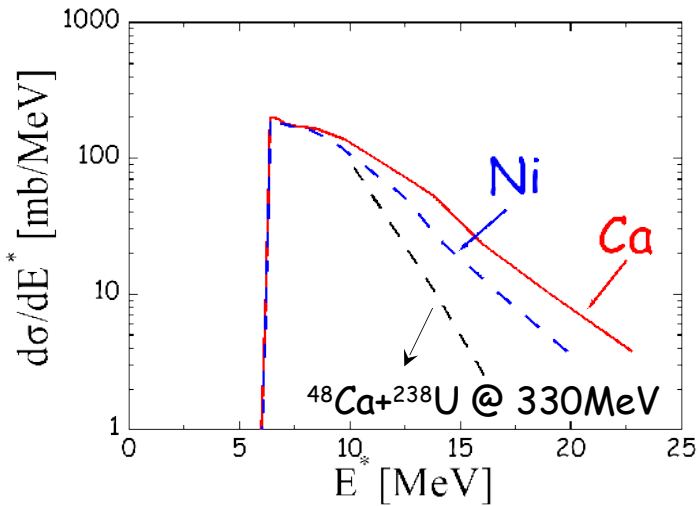
- ▶ beam energy  $\approx 7$  MeV/A
- ▶  $E_{\text{cm}} \approx 2.5 \times$  Coulomb Barrier
- ▶  $\theta_{\text{grazing}} \sim 20^\circ$



$(\gamma, \gamma')$  experiments on stable Ca isotopes

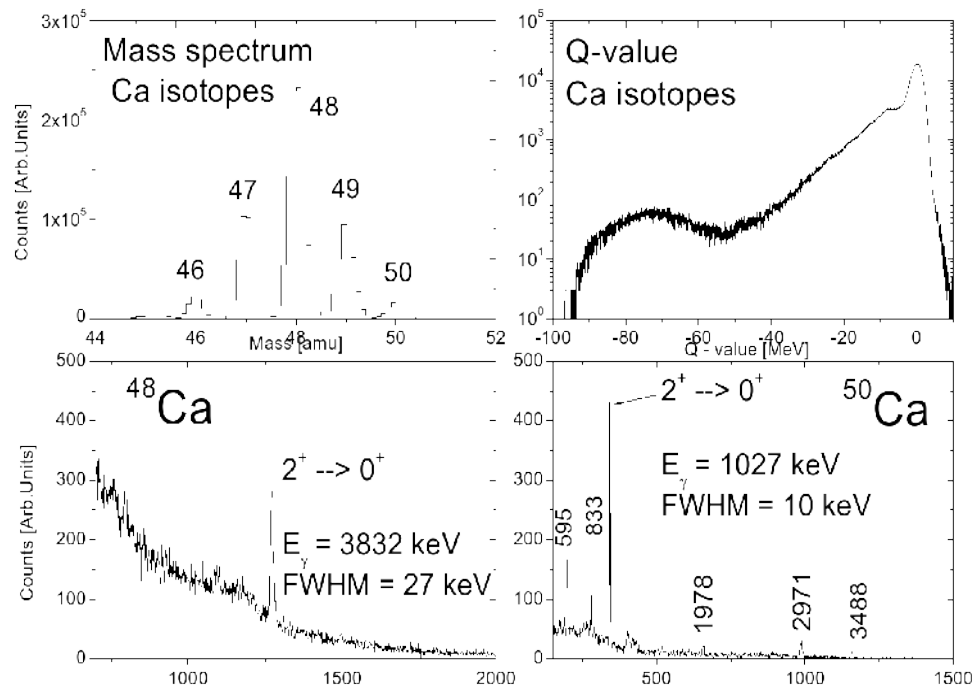
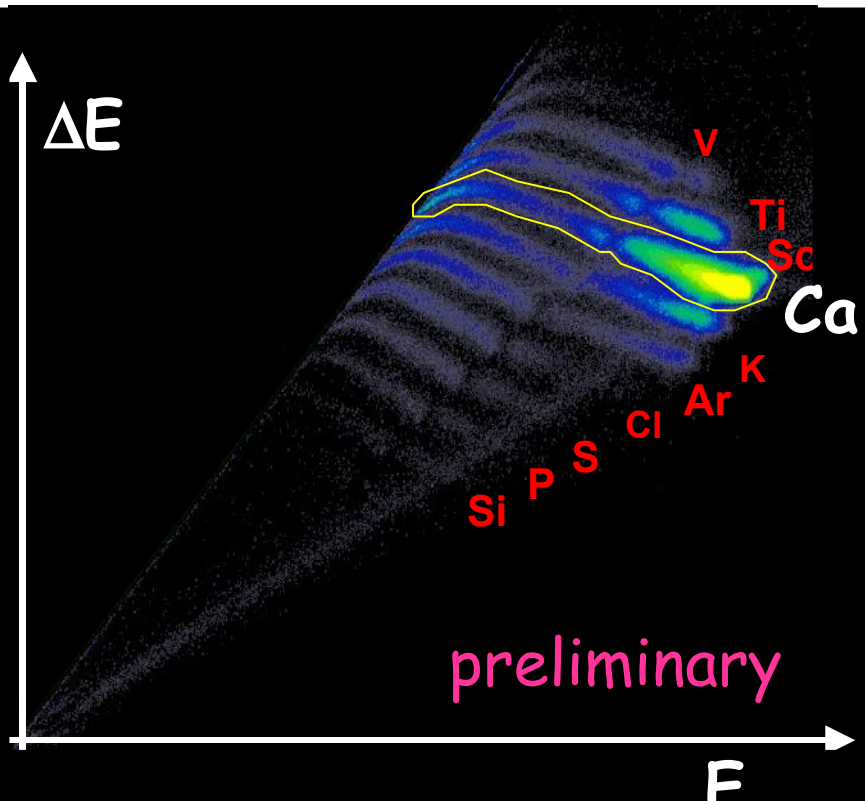
T. Hartmann PRL85(2000)274

# $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$ @ 300 MeV



Cross section calculation  
GRAZING code (Pollarolo et al.)

the nuclei of interest ( $^{48}\text{Ca}$ )  
 should have sufficient **internal energy**  
 to populate  
 highly excited/pygmy states



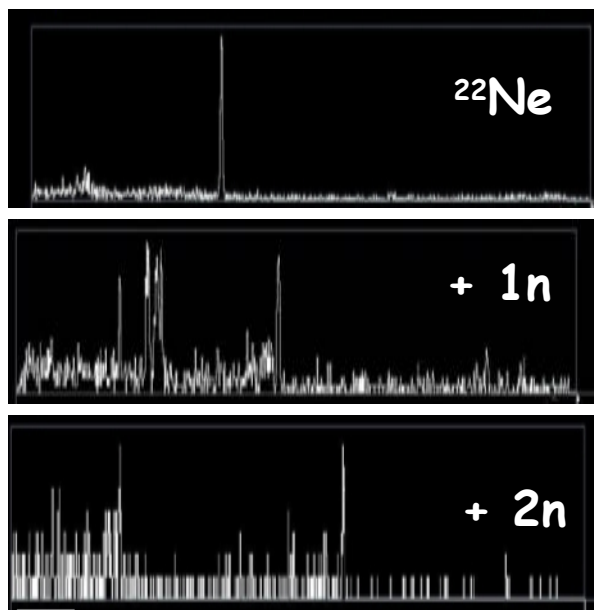
**Work in progress:**  
 Calibration & add-back of **BGO's** to  
 improve statistics of high-energy  $\gamma$ s



In-beam  $\gamma$  spectroscopy using DIC with **stable** and **radioactive** Ne beams

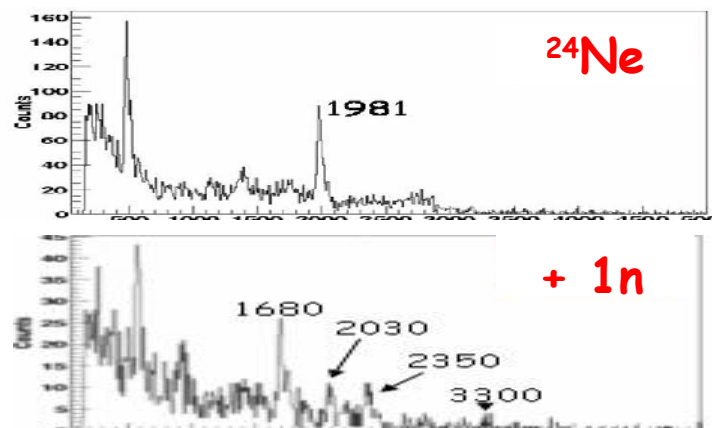
$^{22}\text{Ne} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$  @ 300 MeV

CLARA - PRISMA



$^{24}\text{Ne} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$  @ 190 MeV

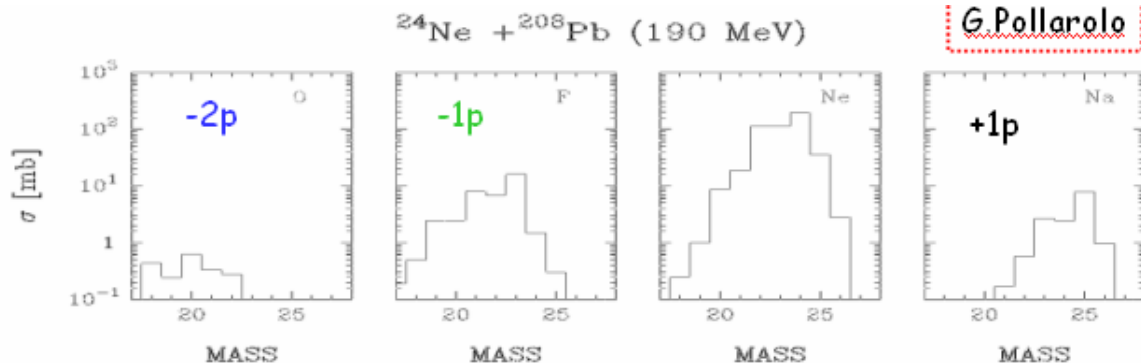
Vamos+EXOGRAM



Comparative study:

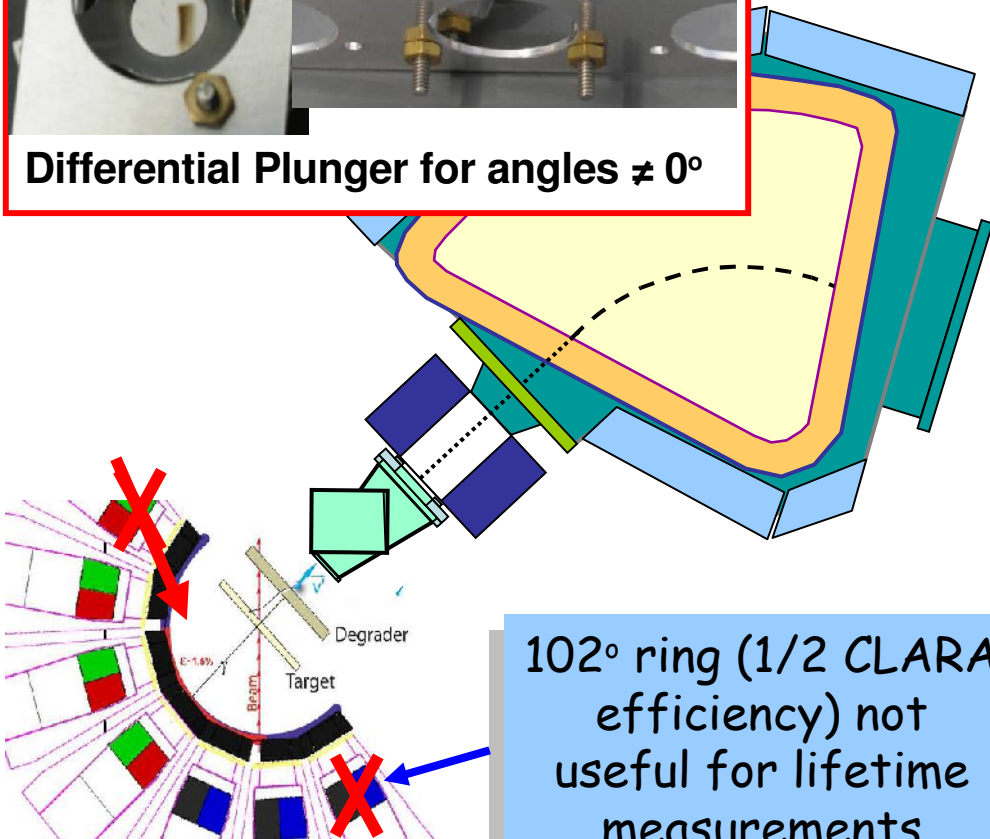
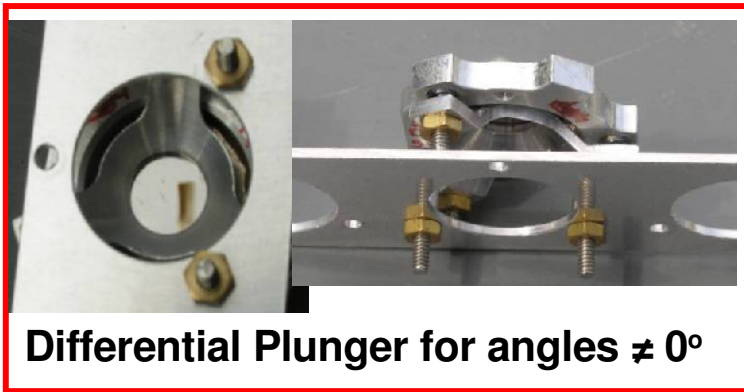
- $\gamma$ -spectroscopy
- cross sections

G.Benzoni et al.

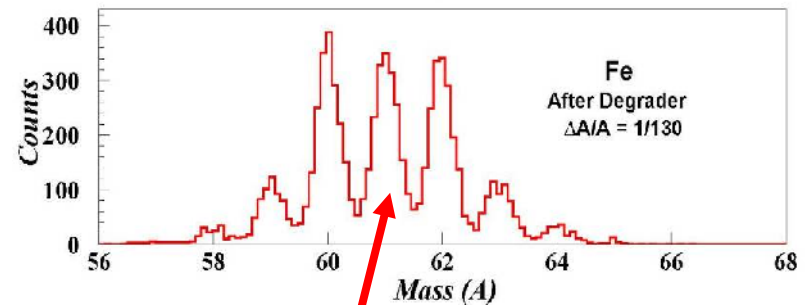
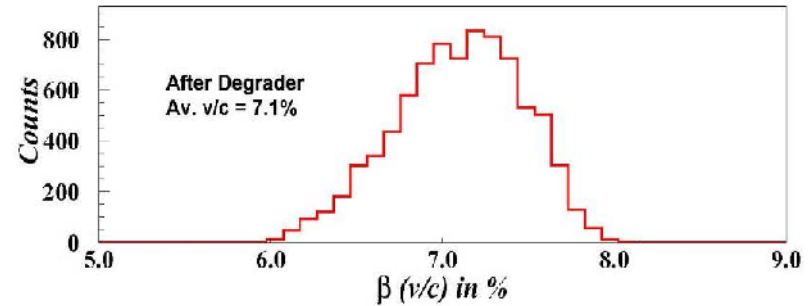


# Differential RDDS Measurements with CLARA-PRISMA

Basic idea: use the "wrong" value to perform Doppler correction  
→ differential plunger (target+degrader)



A. Dewald, A. Gadea, N. Mărginean

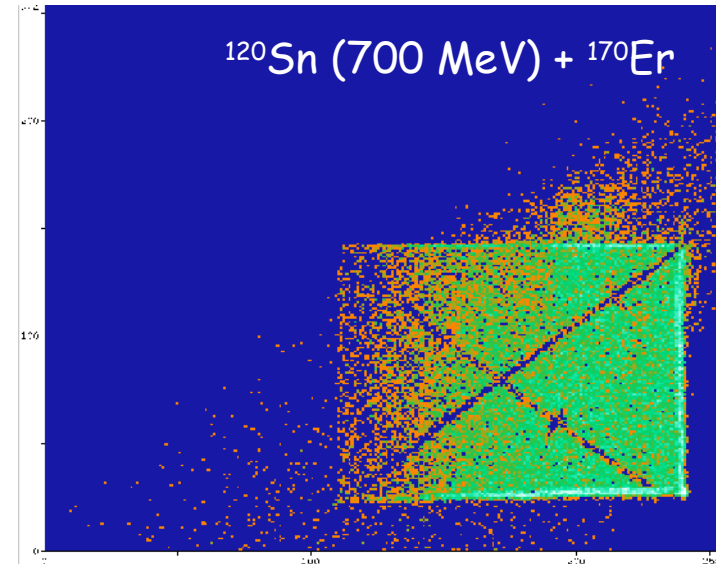
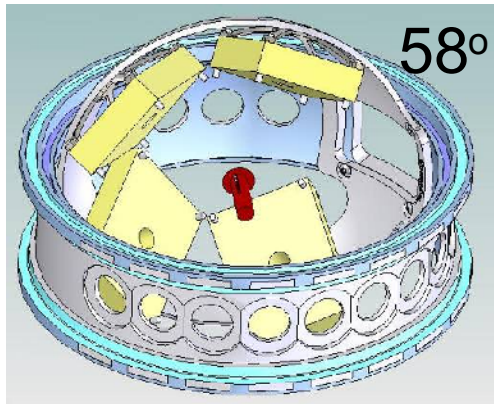
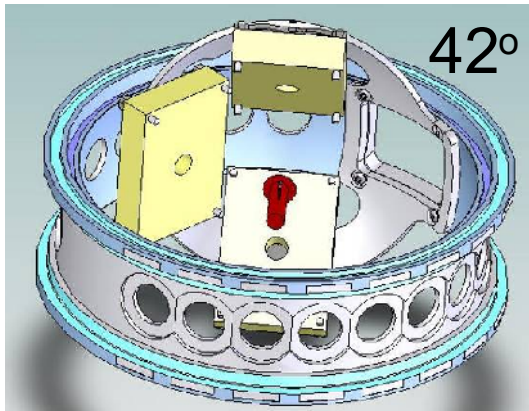
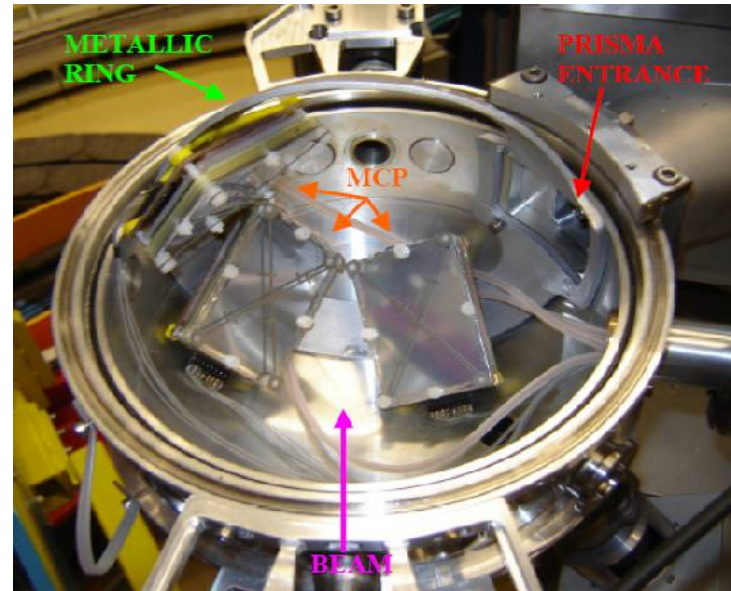


PRISMA mass resolution after degrader is preserved

# The DANTE MCP Array

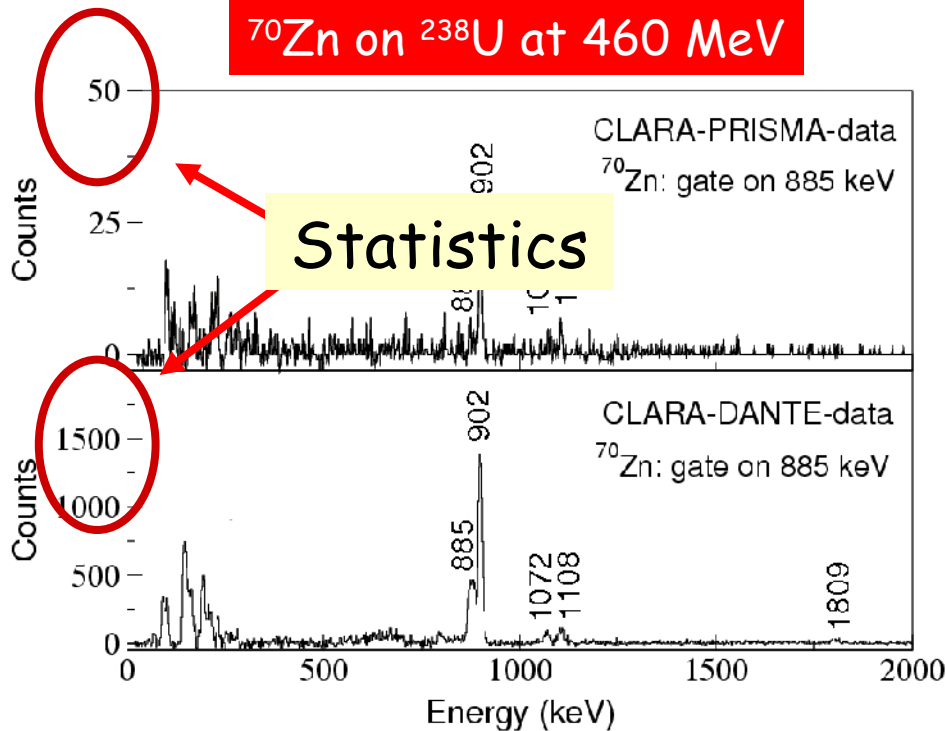
Detector Array for multi Nucleon Transfer Ejectiles

DANTE is a highly efficient array of position-sensitive MCP detectors, developed in collaboration with FLNR Dubna. It can be used in different configurations depending on the grazing angle of the reaction.



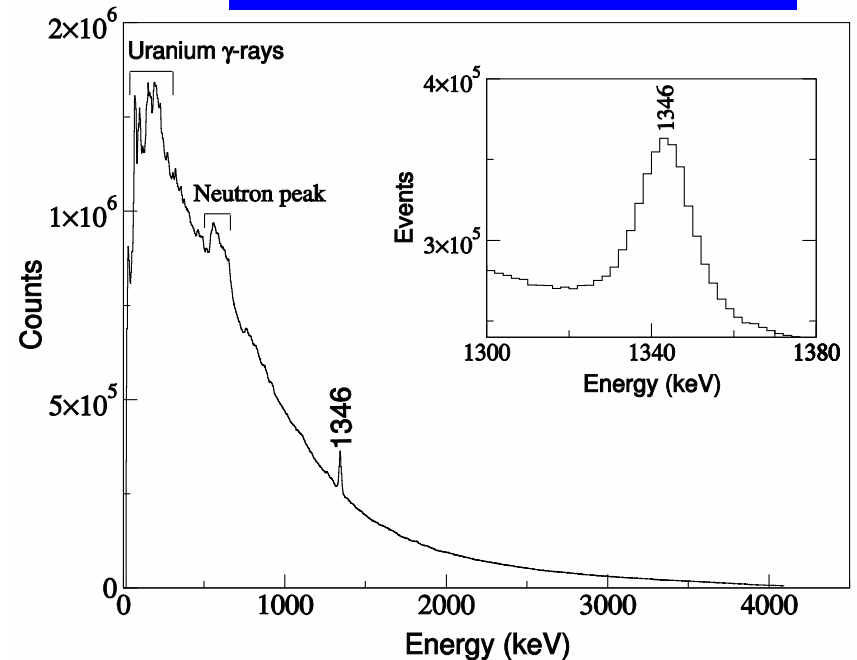
# Performance of DANTE

$^{70}\text{Zn}$  on  $^{238}\text{U}$  at 460 MeV



Energy resolution 1.2%

$^{64}\text{Ni}$  on  $^{238}\text{U}$  at 440 MeV



Problems with fission background!  
Need kinematical coincidences to  
clean up data and access weaker  
channels

# Summary

- Valuable information on moderately n-rich nuclei has been collected using multinucleon transfer and deep inelastic collisions with stable beams at the CLARA - PRISMA setup
- The analysis of the most recent experiments is still in progress, so we expect interesting results to be shown at the next Gammapool workshop!

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