



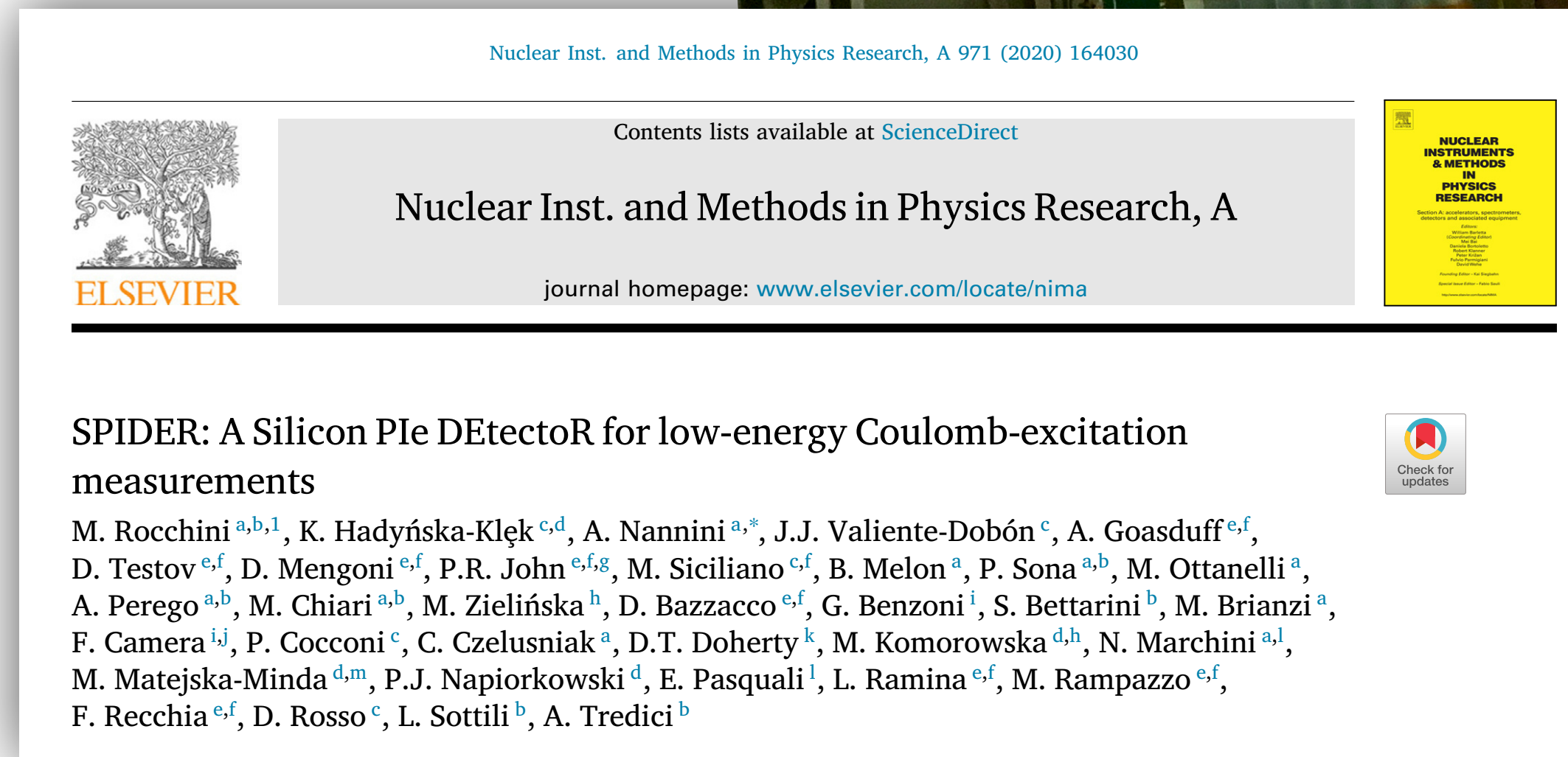
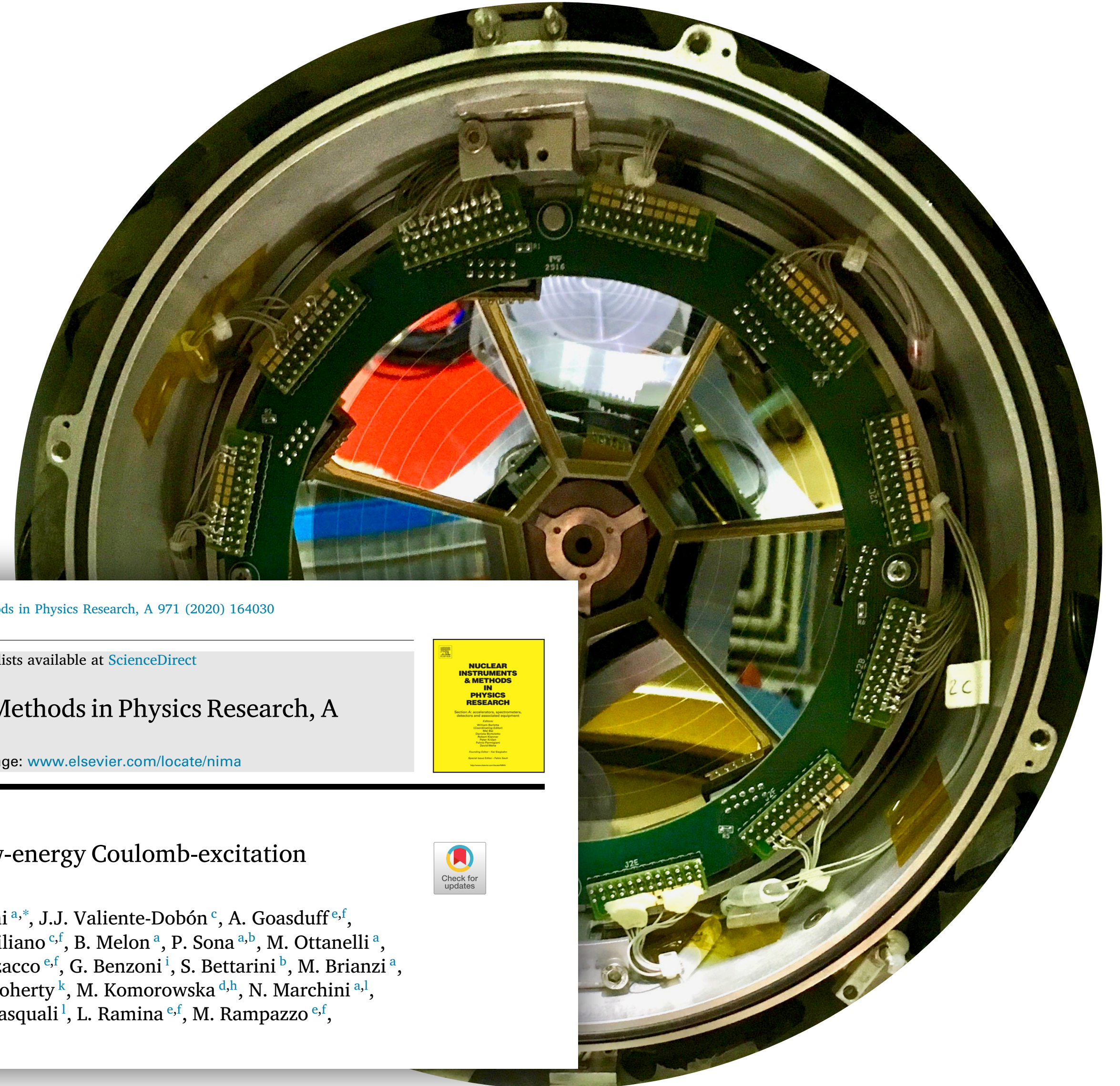
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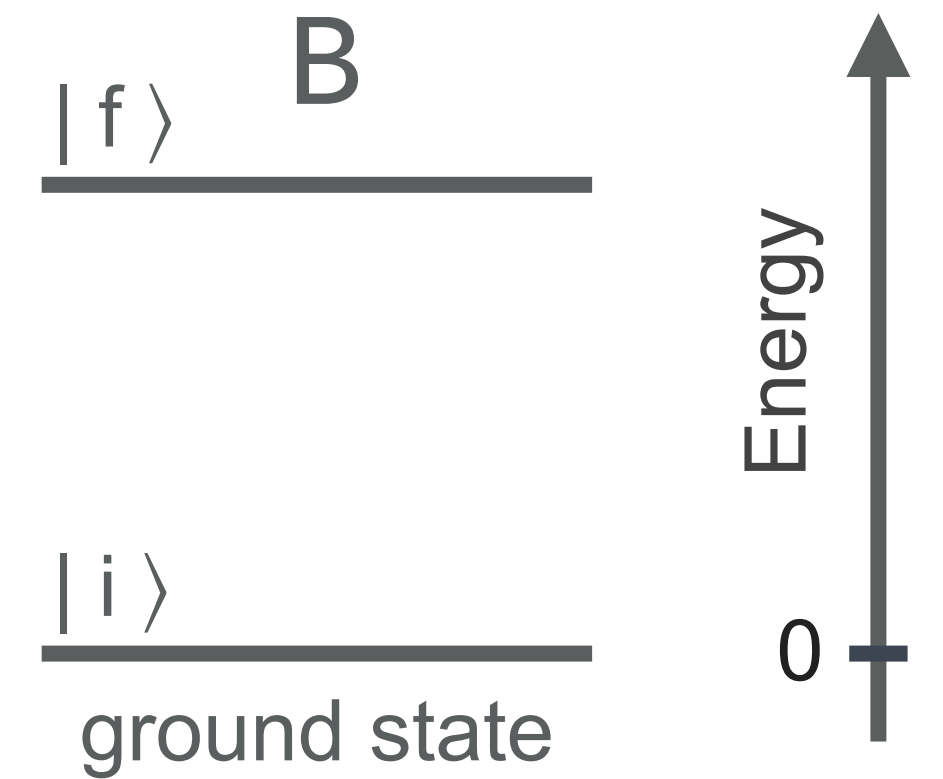
Outline

- ▶ Low-energy Coulomb excitation
- ▶ Shape of ground and excited states via Coulomb excitation
- ▶ What is SPIDER?
 - ▶ Energy resolution, modularity, simulations
- ▶ Pulse height correlations
- ▶ Radiation damage
- ▶ Online RBS analysis with SPIDER
- ▶ The GALILEO campaign
- ▶ The AGATA campaign



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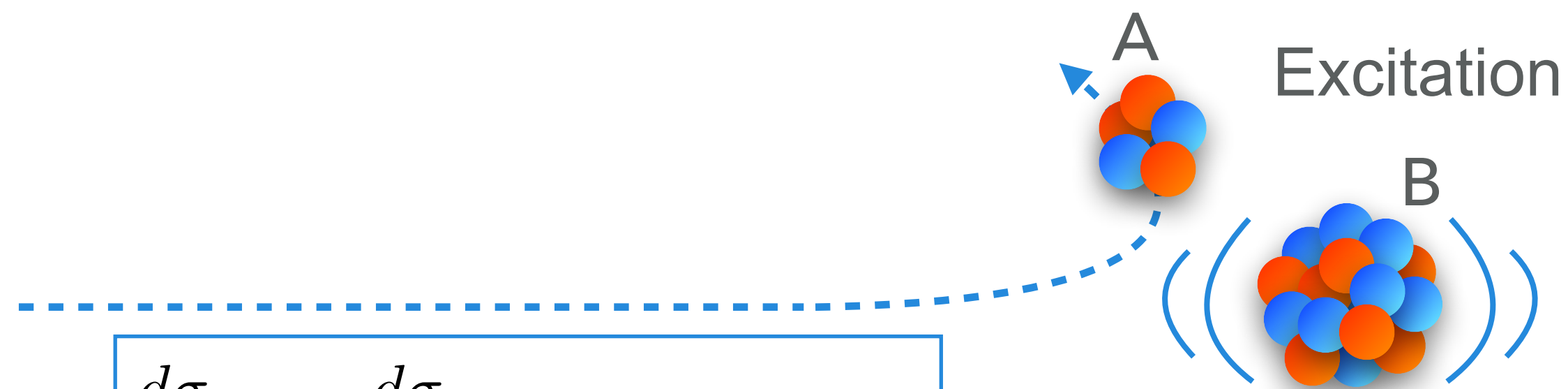
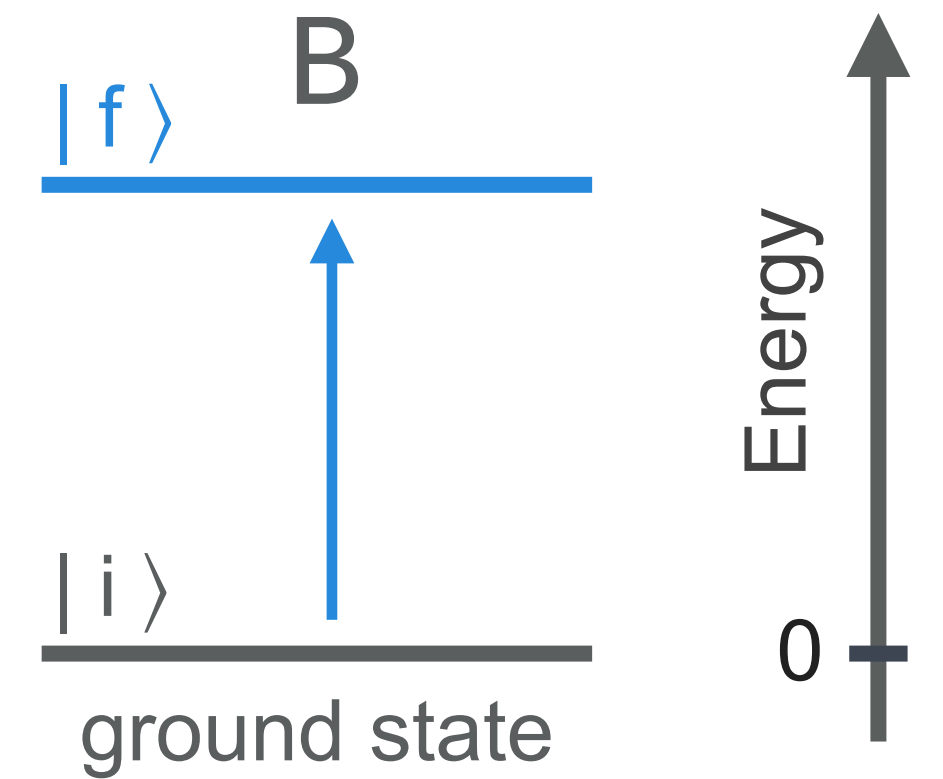
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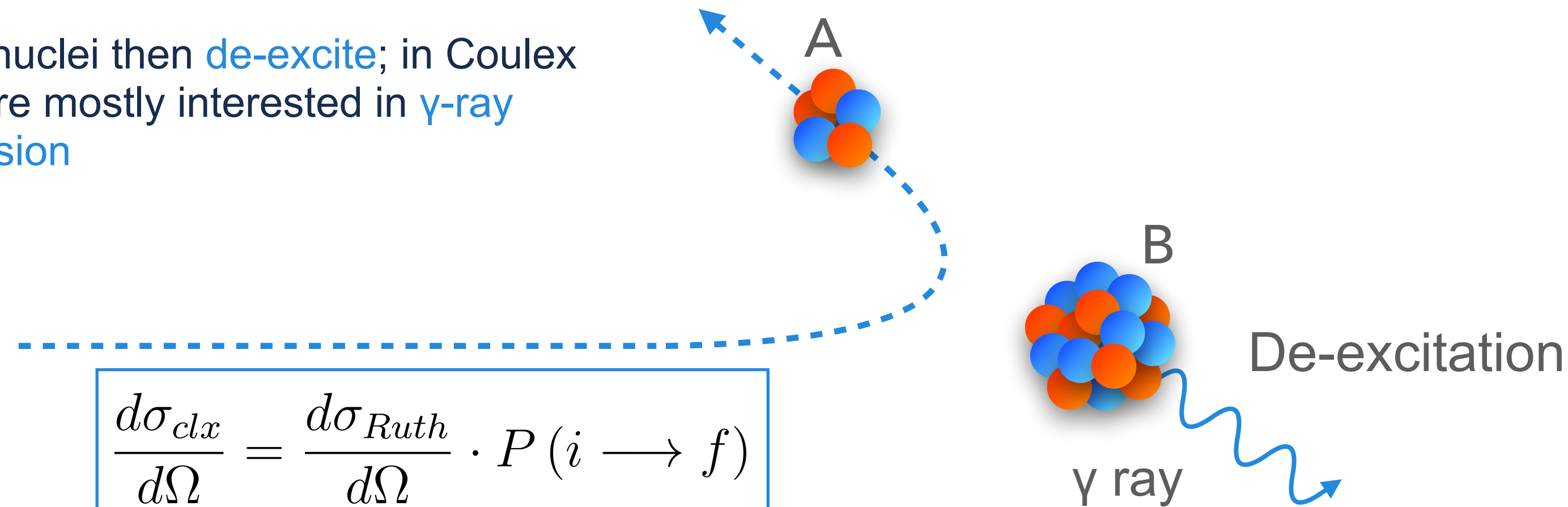
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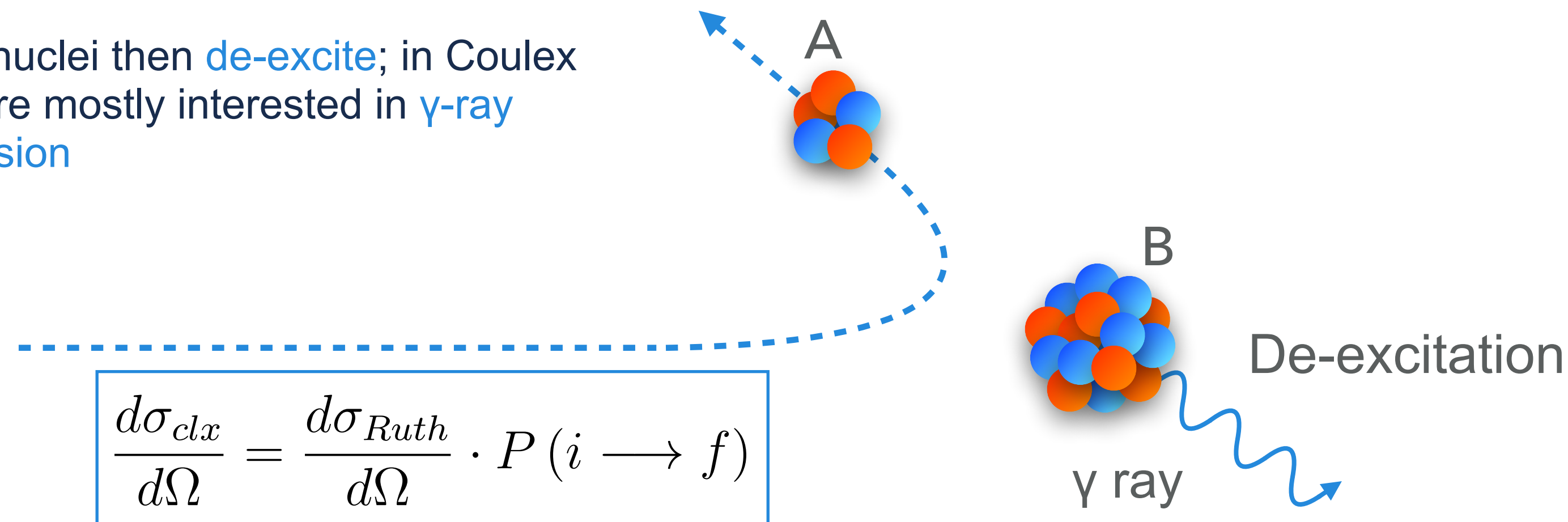
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Access to: transition probabilities, spectroscopic quadrupole moments

Quadrupole Sum Rules

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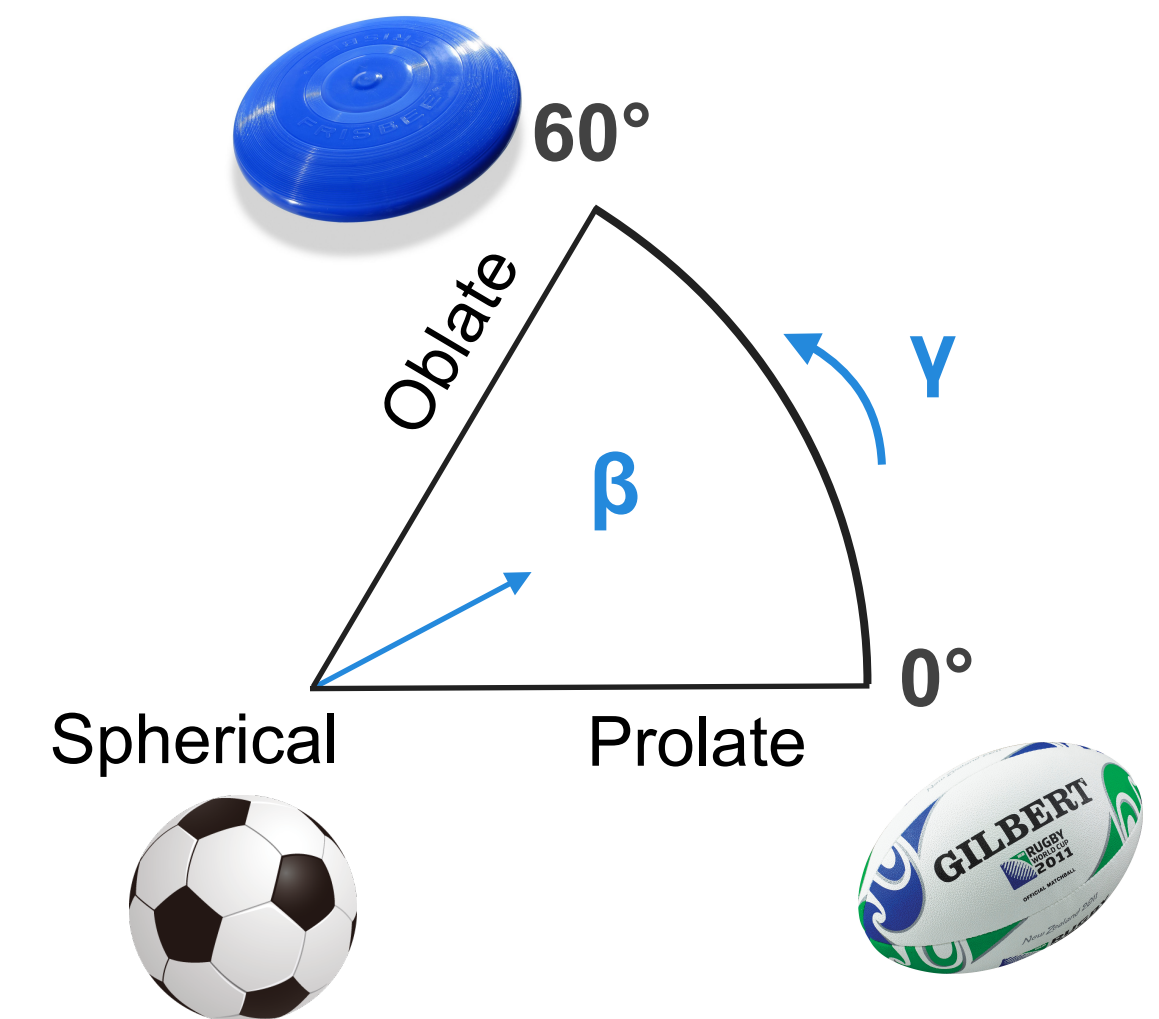
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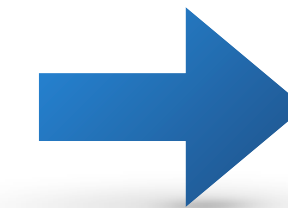


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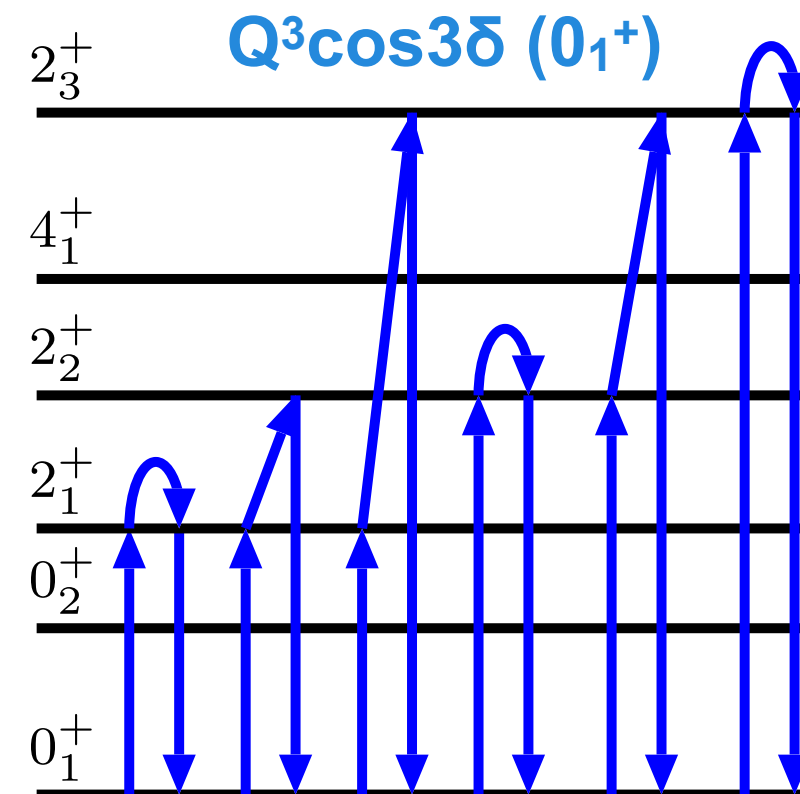
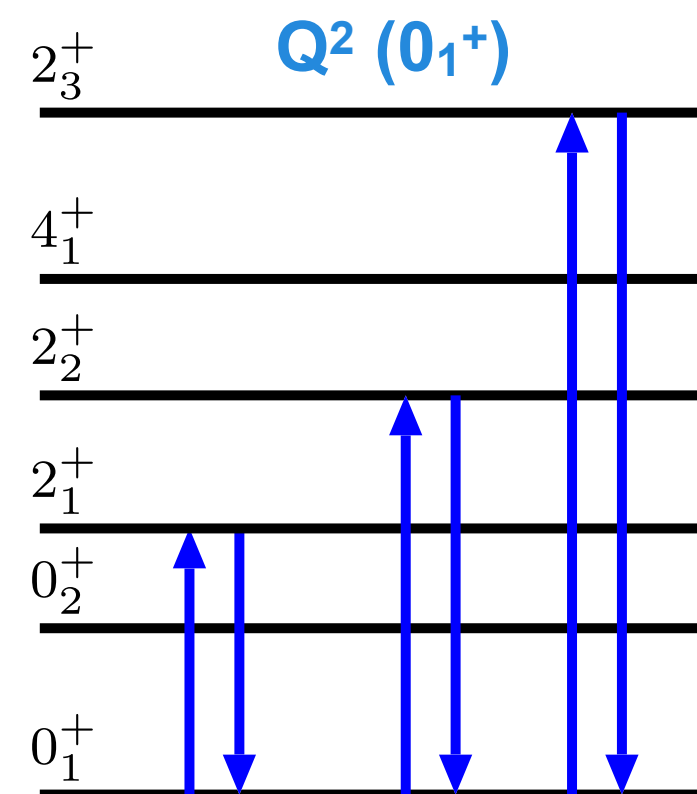
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$$\langle i | Q^2 | i \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2I_i + 1}} \sum_t \langle i || E2 || t \rangle \langle t || E2 || i \rangle \begin{Bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ I_i & I_i & I_t \end{Bmatrix}$$

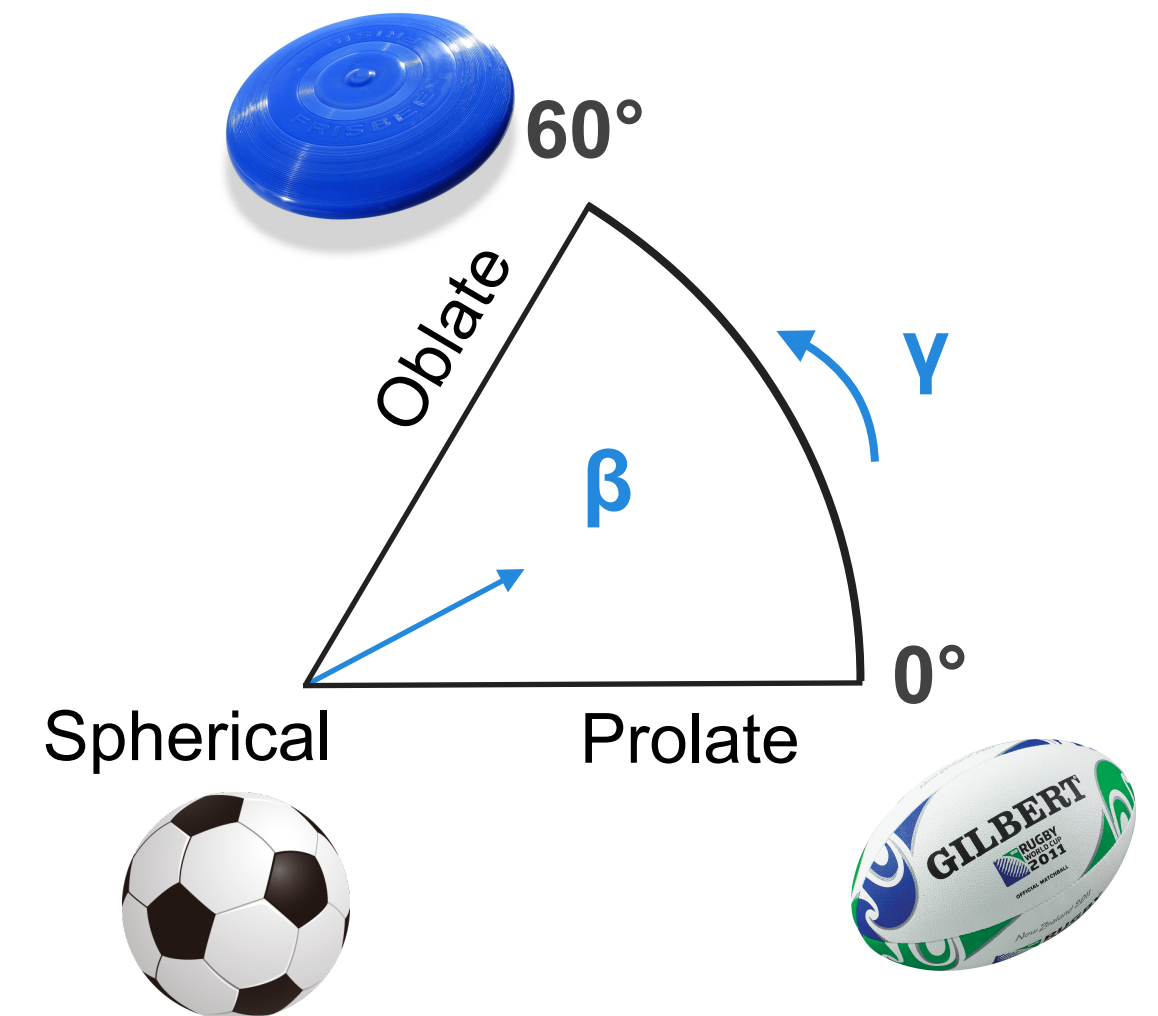
$$\langle i | Q^3 \cos(3\delta) | i \rangle = -\frac{\sqrt{35}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{2I_i + 1} \sum_{tu} \langle i || E2 || t \rangle \langle t || E2 || u \rangle \langle u || E2 || i \rangle \begin{Bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ I_i & I_t & I_u \end{Bmatrix}$$



(Q, δ)
equivalent to
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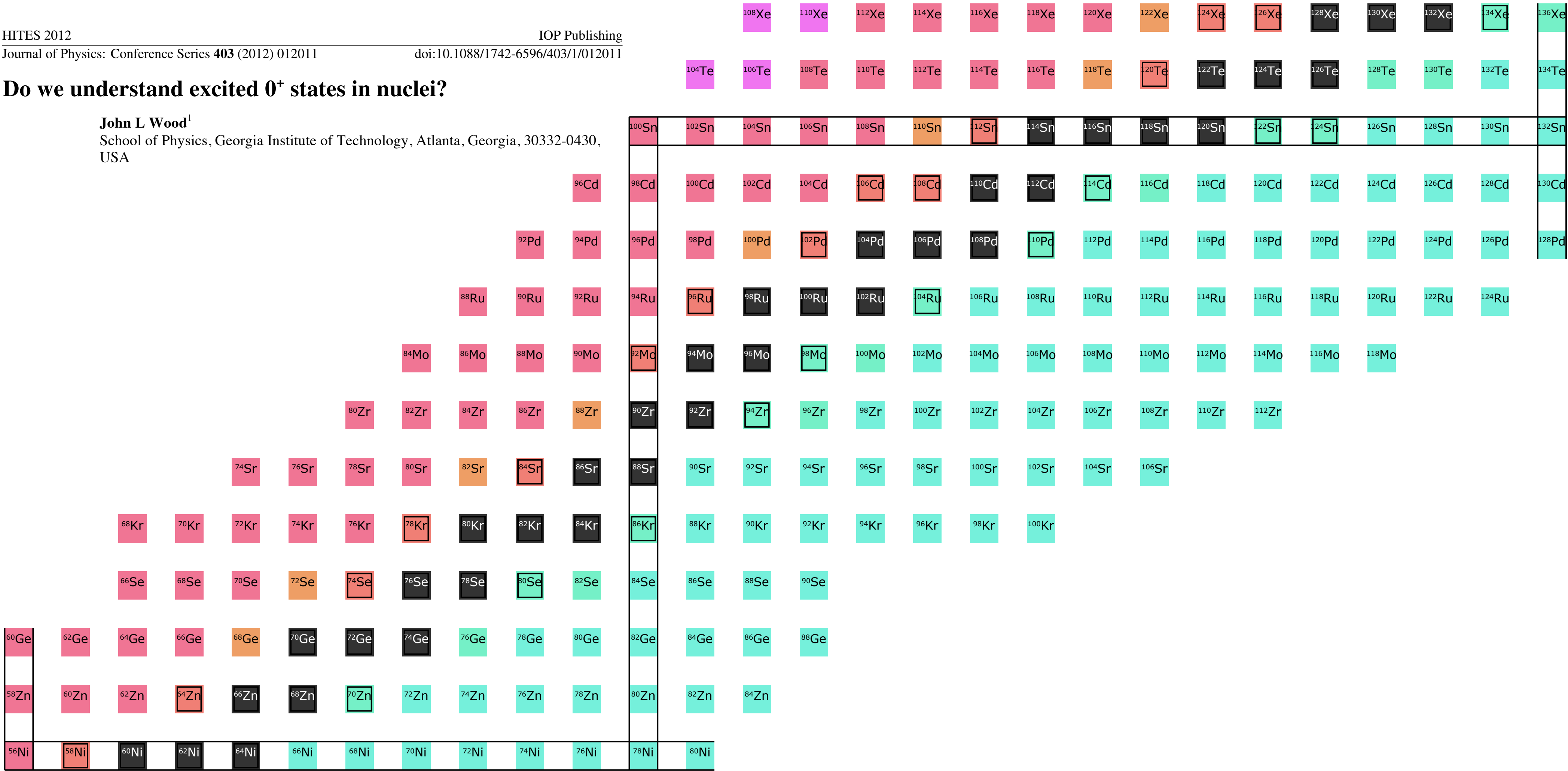
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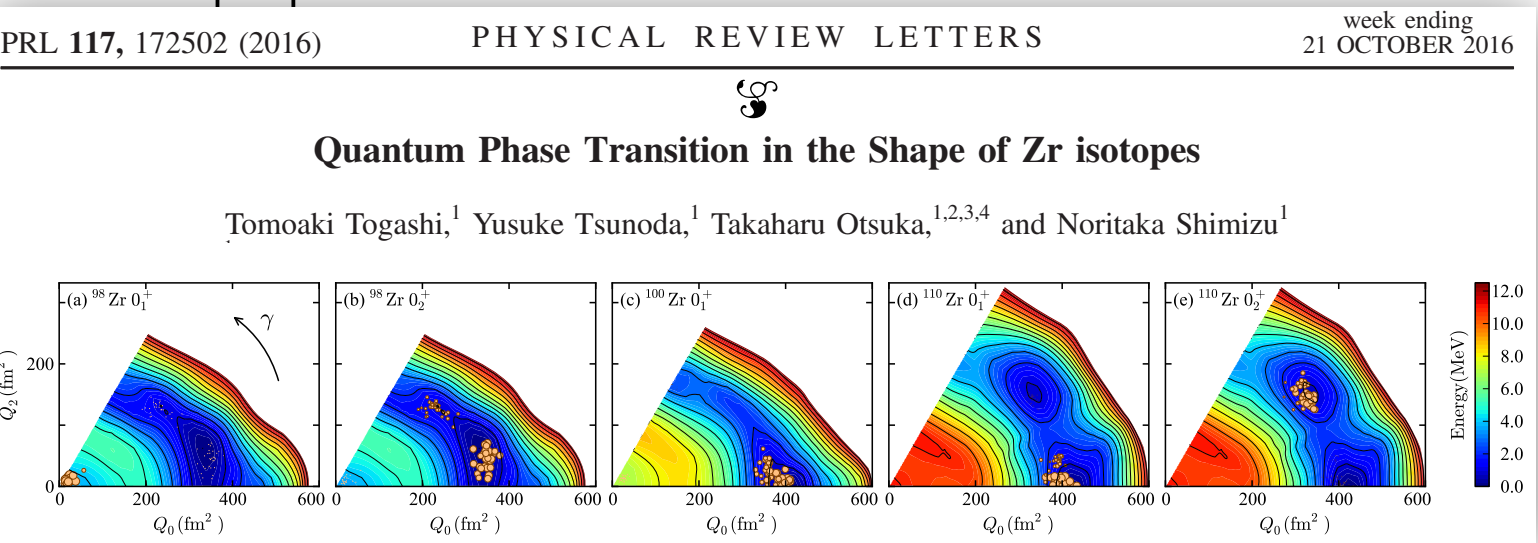
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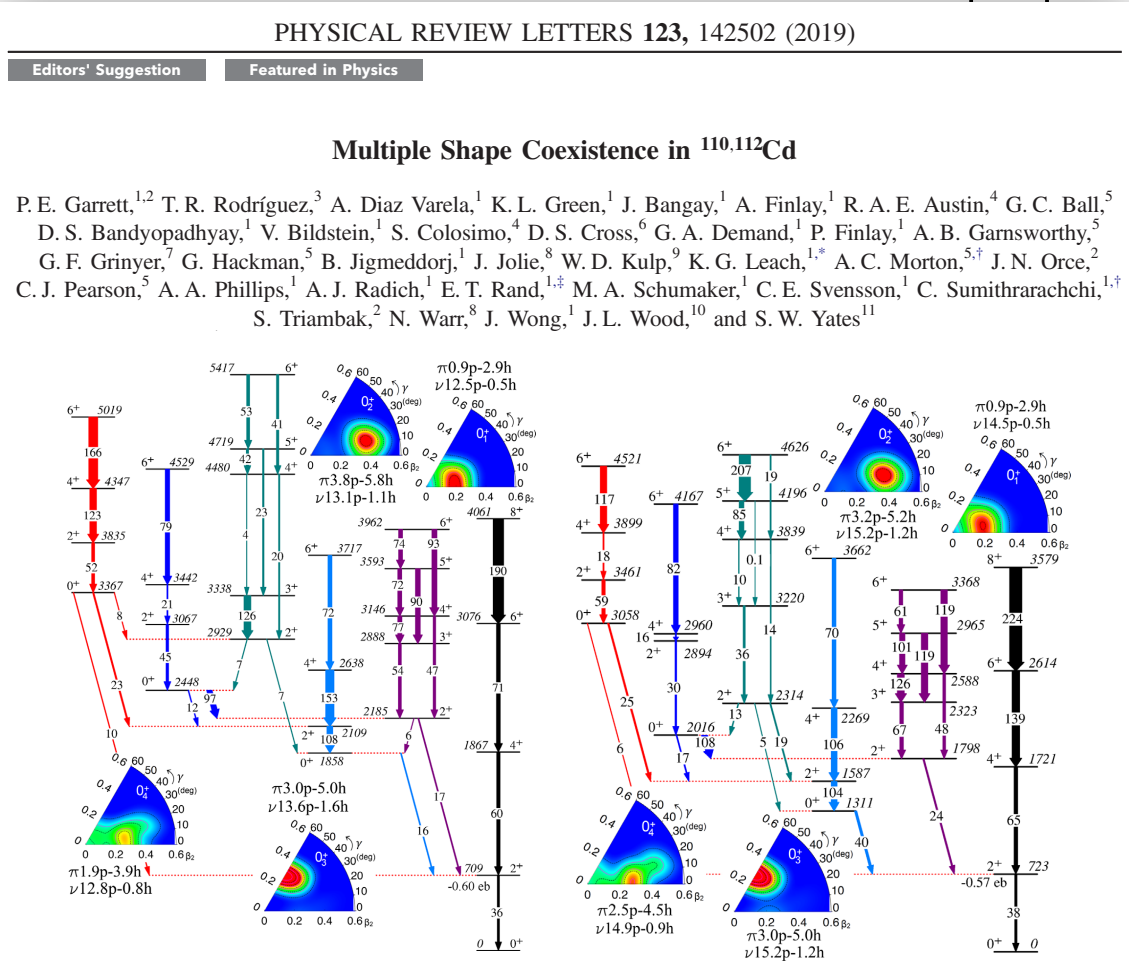
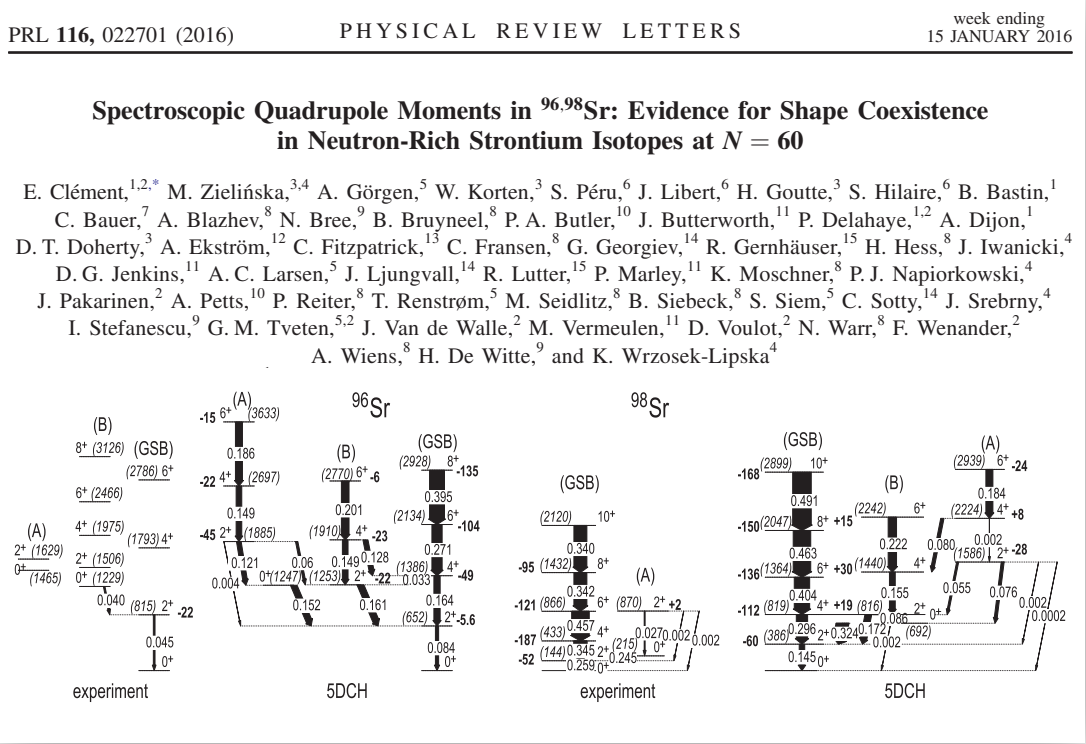
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Shape Coexistence
(and maybe multiple SC?)
seems to be going from a rare
to an ordinary phenomenon



Experimental Setup

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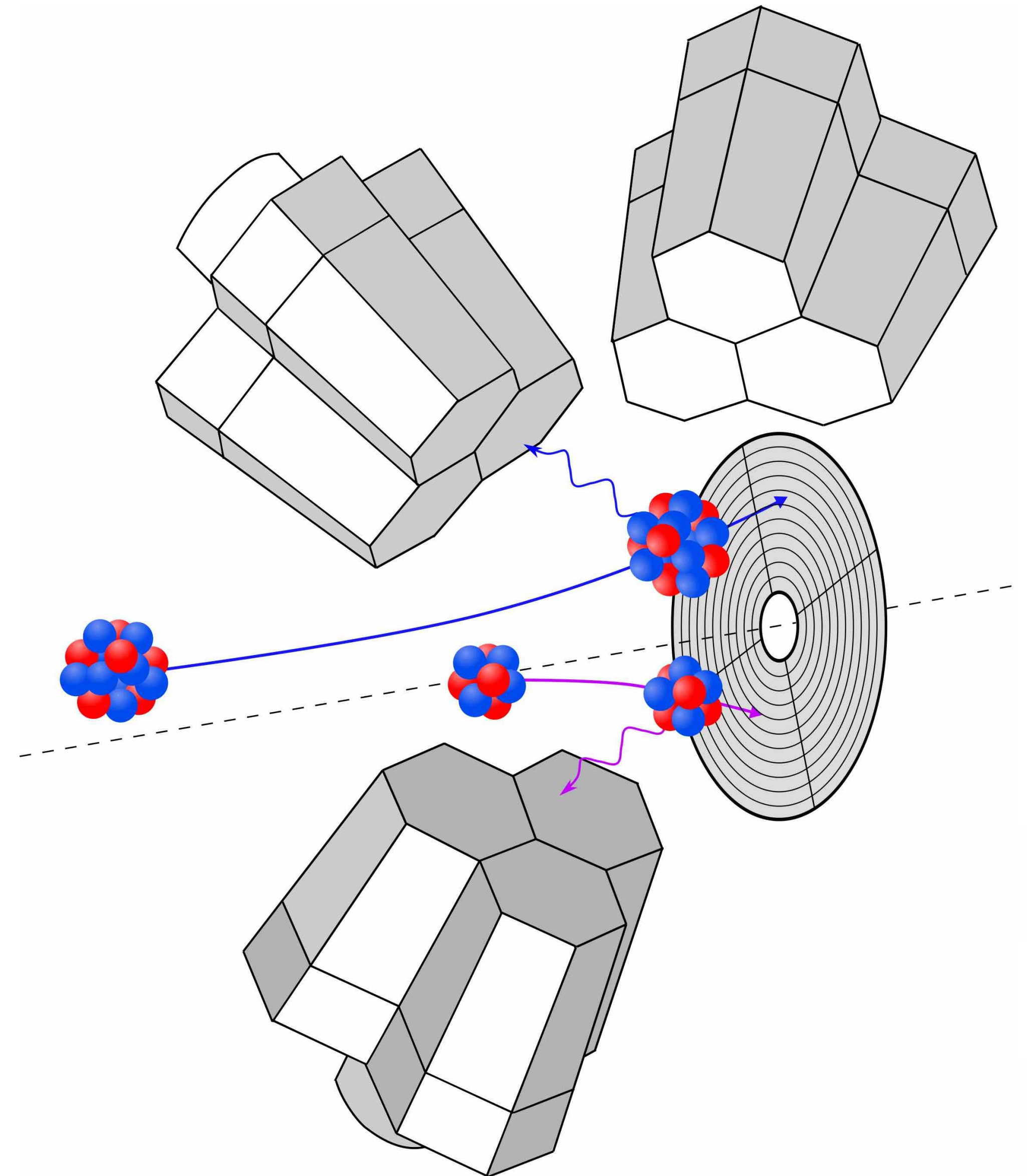
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- ▶ **γ-ray detector:**
 - ▶ To measure γ-ray yields for the different transitions
- ▶ **Particle detector:**
 - ▶ To select the events of interest
 - ▶ To distinguish between projectile and target nuclei
 - ▶ To perform the Doppler correction
 - ▶ To select the scattering angle
 - ▶ To monitor the experiment



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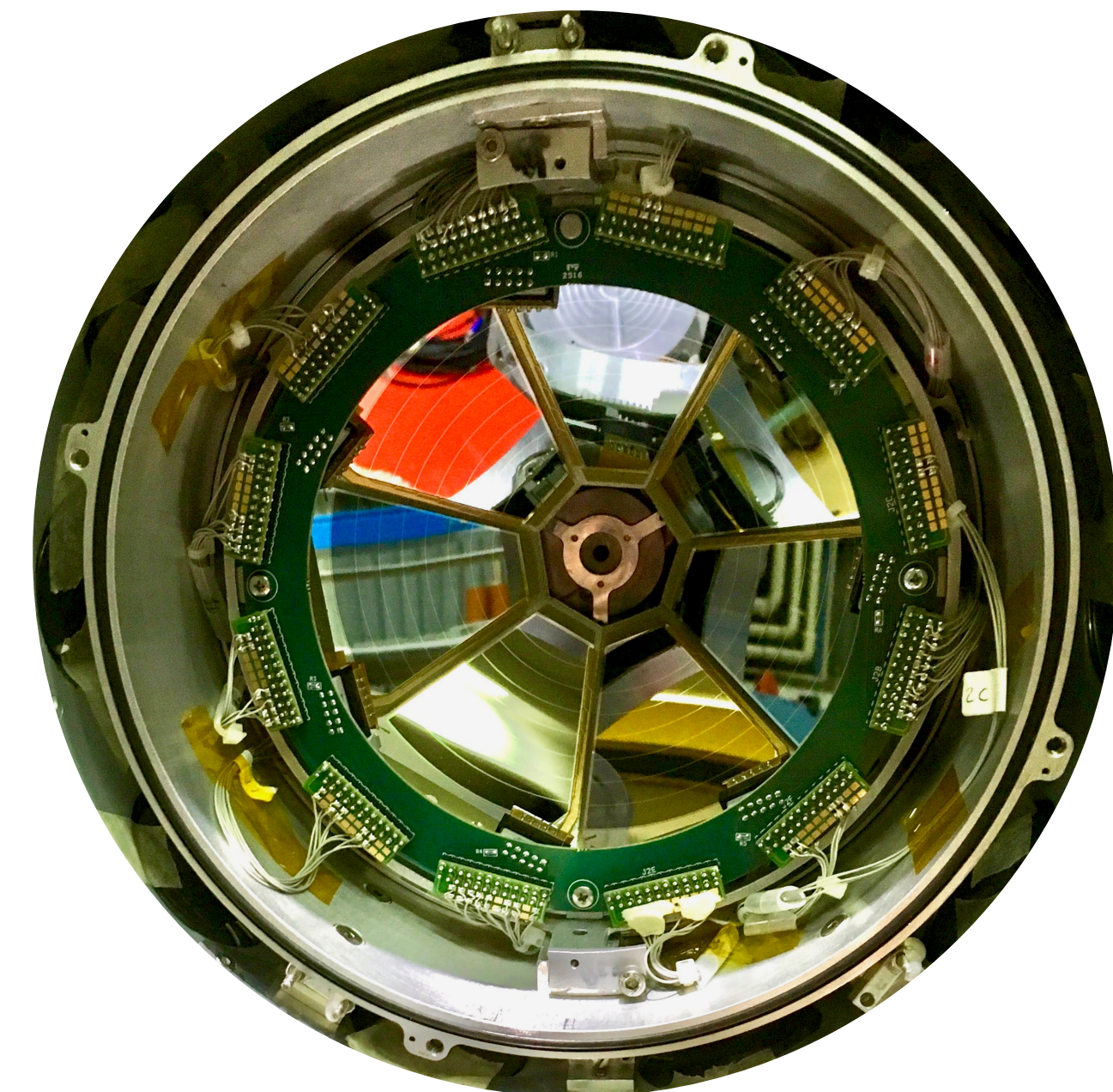
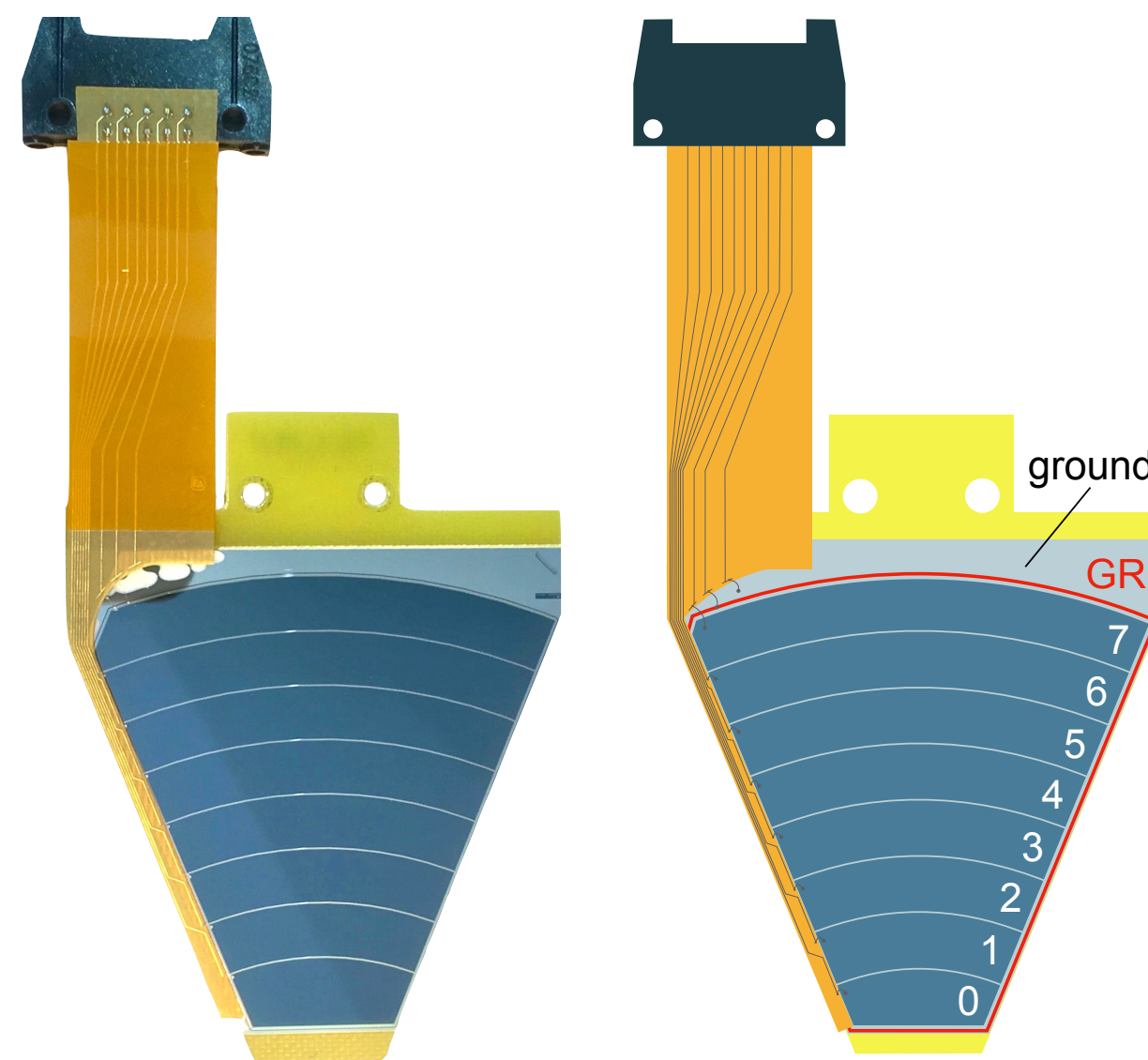
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- ▶ Modular segmented **silicon detector**, originally designed for low-energy Coulomb-excitation measurements
- ▶ Independent **sectors**, 8 **strips** + guard ring
- ▶ Detector **thickness** ~ 300 μm , **dead layers** ~ 50 nm in the junction (front) side and ~ 350 nm in the ohmic (rear) side
- ▶ Cone configuration (7 sectors) at backward angles: 8.5 cm from the target $\Rightarrow \Delta\Theta = 37.4^\circ$, $\Omega/4\pi = 17.3\%$



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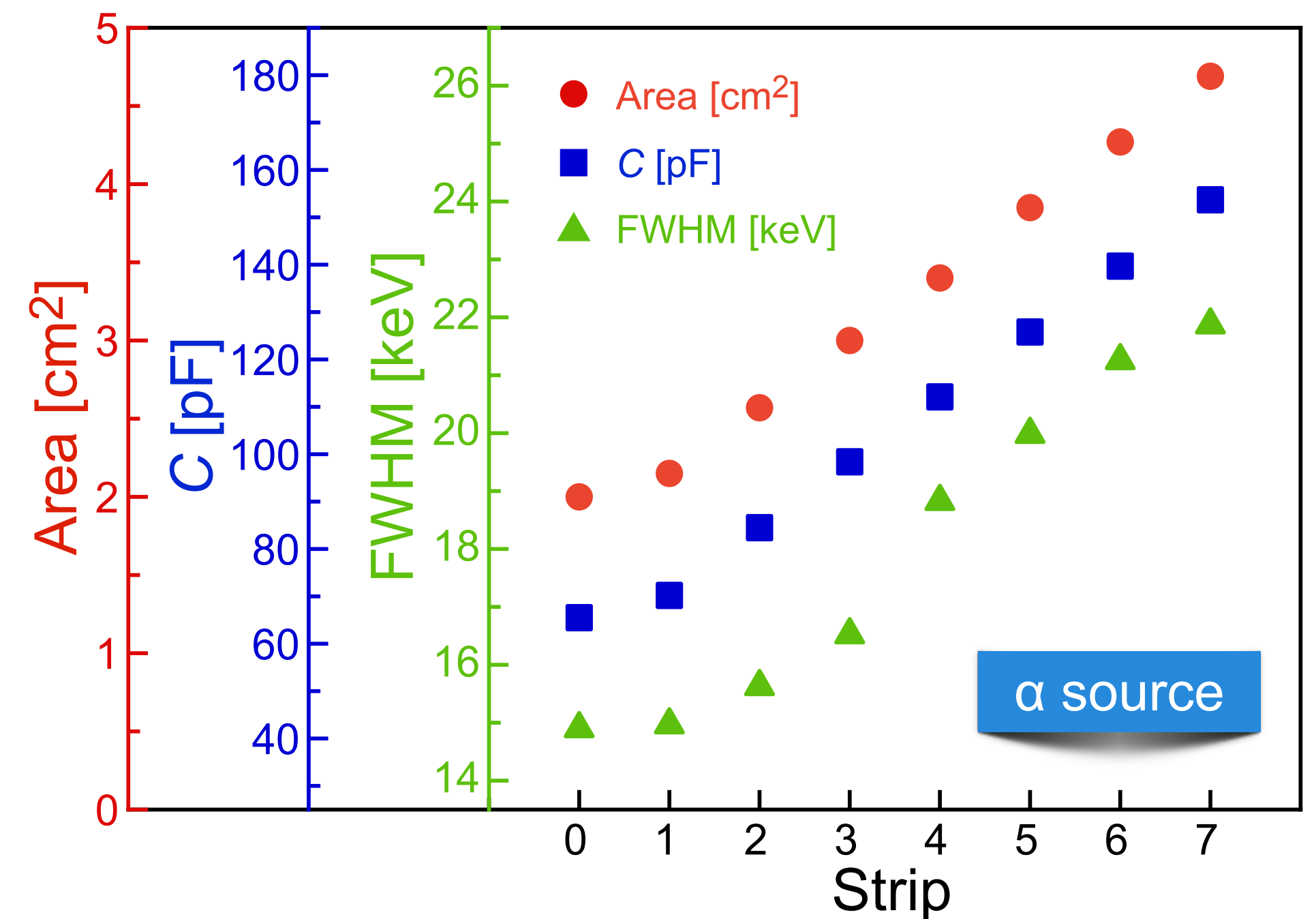
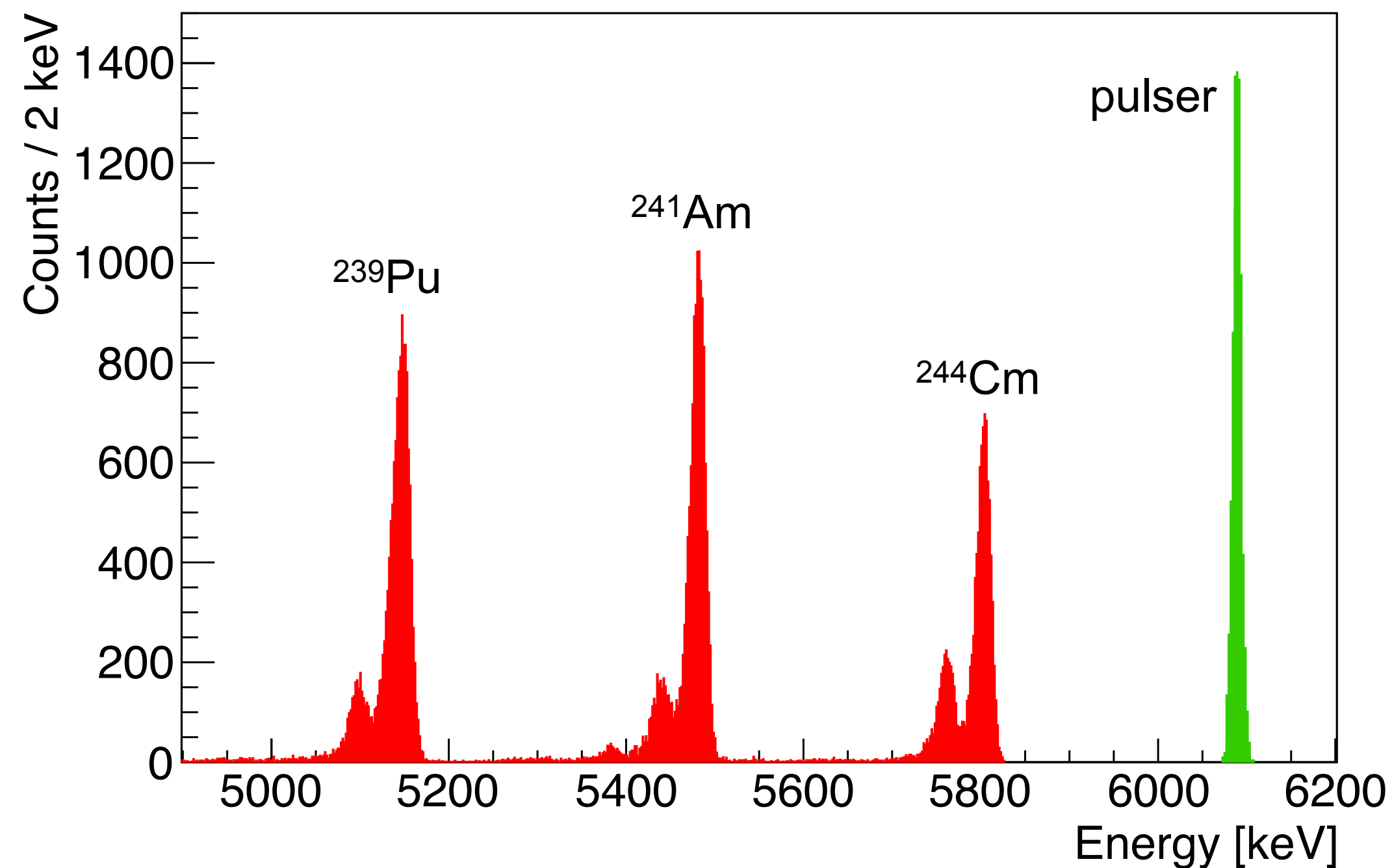
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- nTD silicon detectors, high quality, high energy resolution (less than $\sim 1\%$ for 5.5-MeV α particles)



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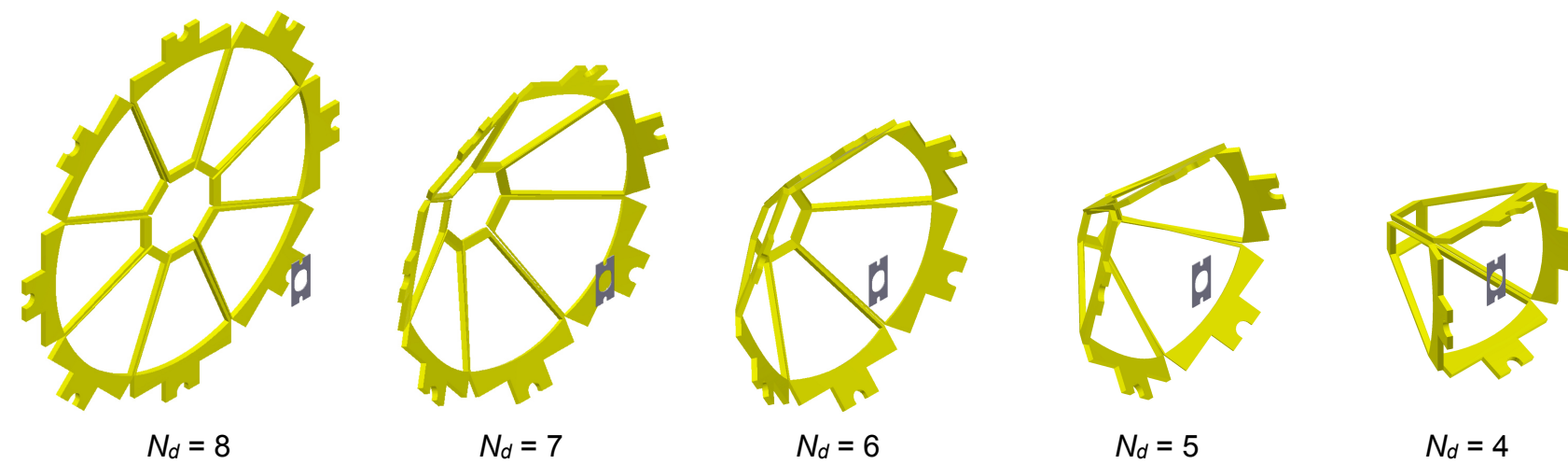
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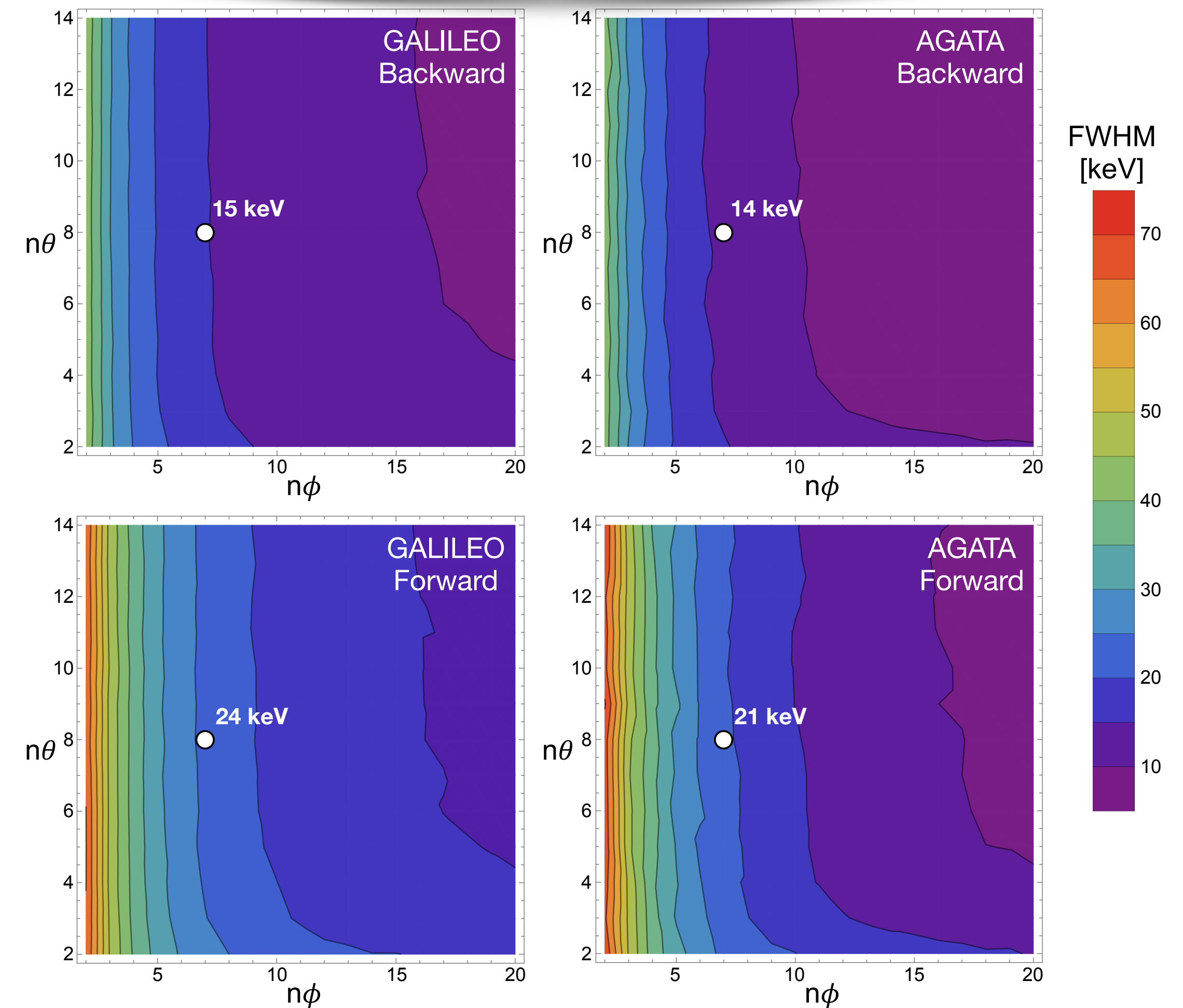
- The detector can be mounted in different arrangements, using from 1 to 8 sectors, giving different Doppler-correction capabilities and angular coverages



- Polar and solid angles with an 8.5-cm distance from the target:

Strip	θ_{min} [deg]	θ_{mean} [deg]	θ_{max} [deg]	$\Delta\theta$ [deg]	Ω [sr]
7	123.5	125.4	127.5	4.0	0.046
6	127.5	129.6	131.8	4.3	0.046
5	131.8	134.0	136.4	4.6	0.045
4	136.4	138.7	141.2	4.8	0.043
3	141.2	143.6	146.1	5.0	0.040
2	146.1	148.6	151.2	5.1	0.035
1	151.2	153.7	156.3	5.1	0.030
0	156.3	158.8	161.3	5.1	0.028

Simulated ^{60}Ni on ^{208}Pb at the safe energy



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Geant4 Simulations

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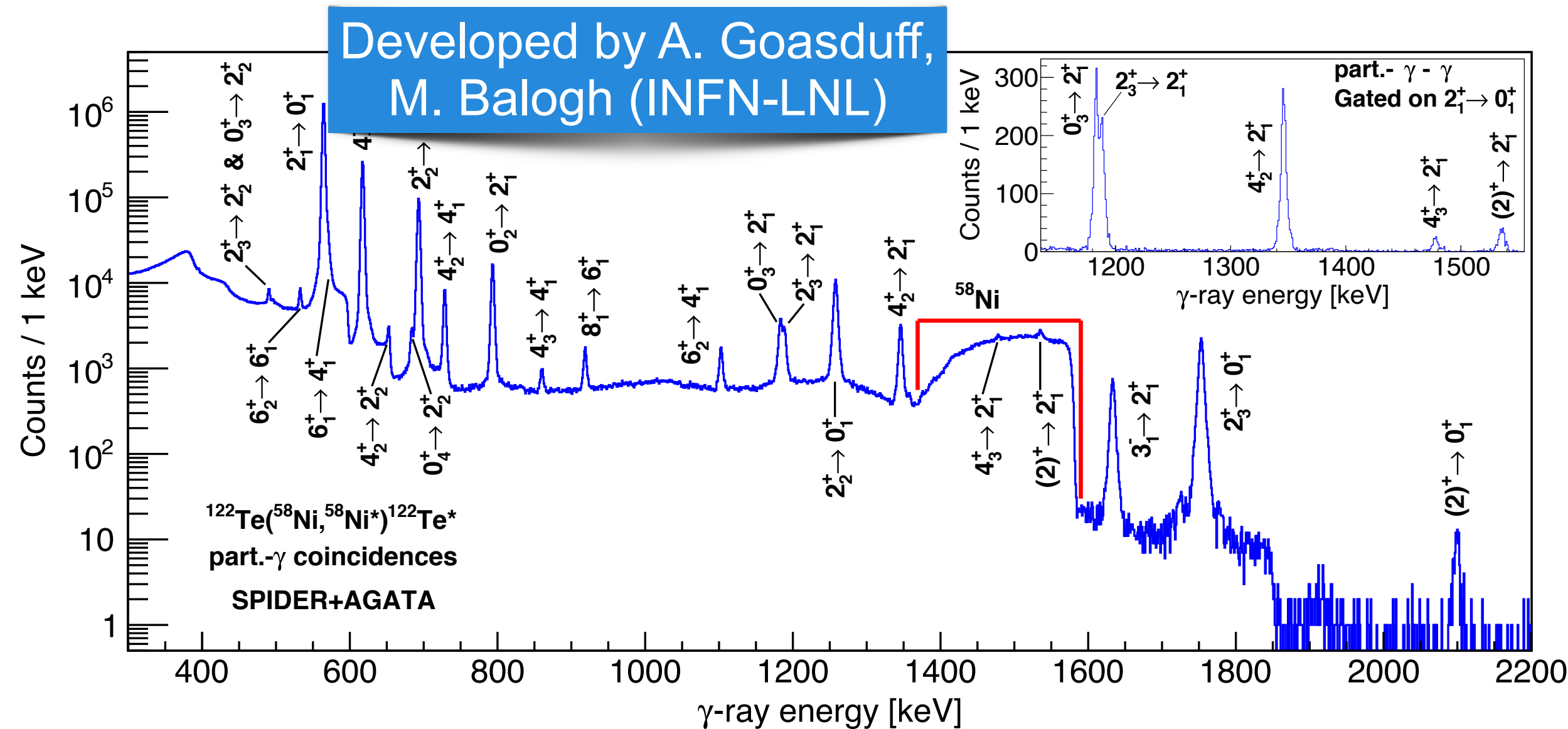
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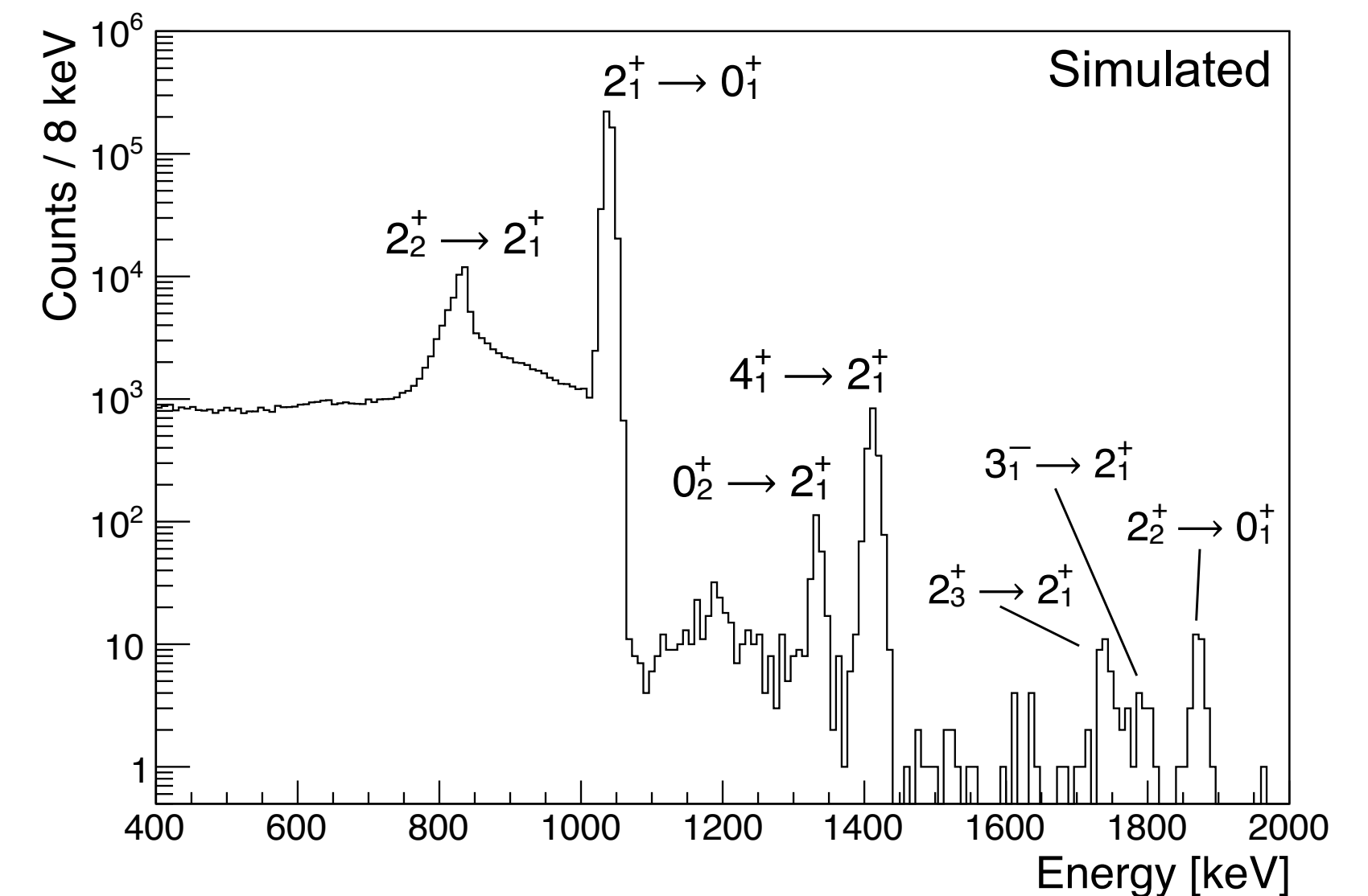
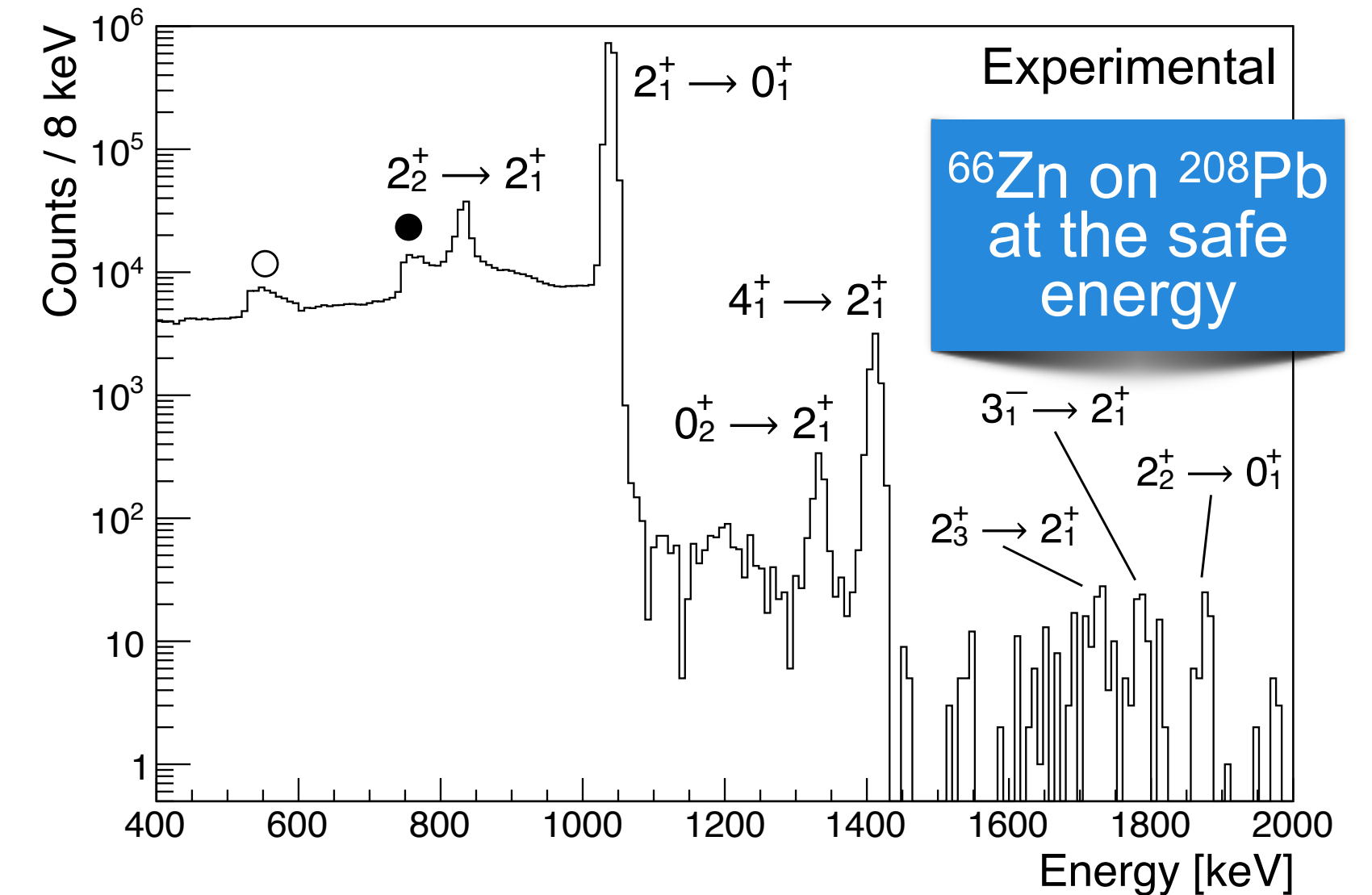
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- ▶ **Geant4** package available to simulate in detail each experiment
- ▶ Input from **GOSIA** (reference code for Coulomb-excitation cross-section calculations)
- ▶ Possibility to include both the beam and the target excitations



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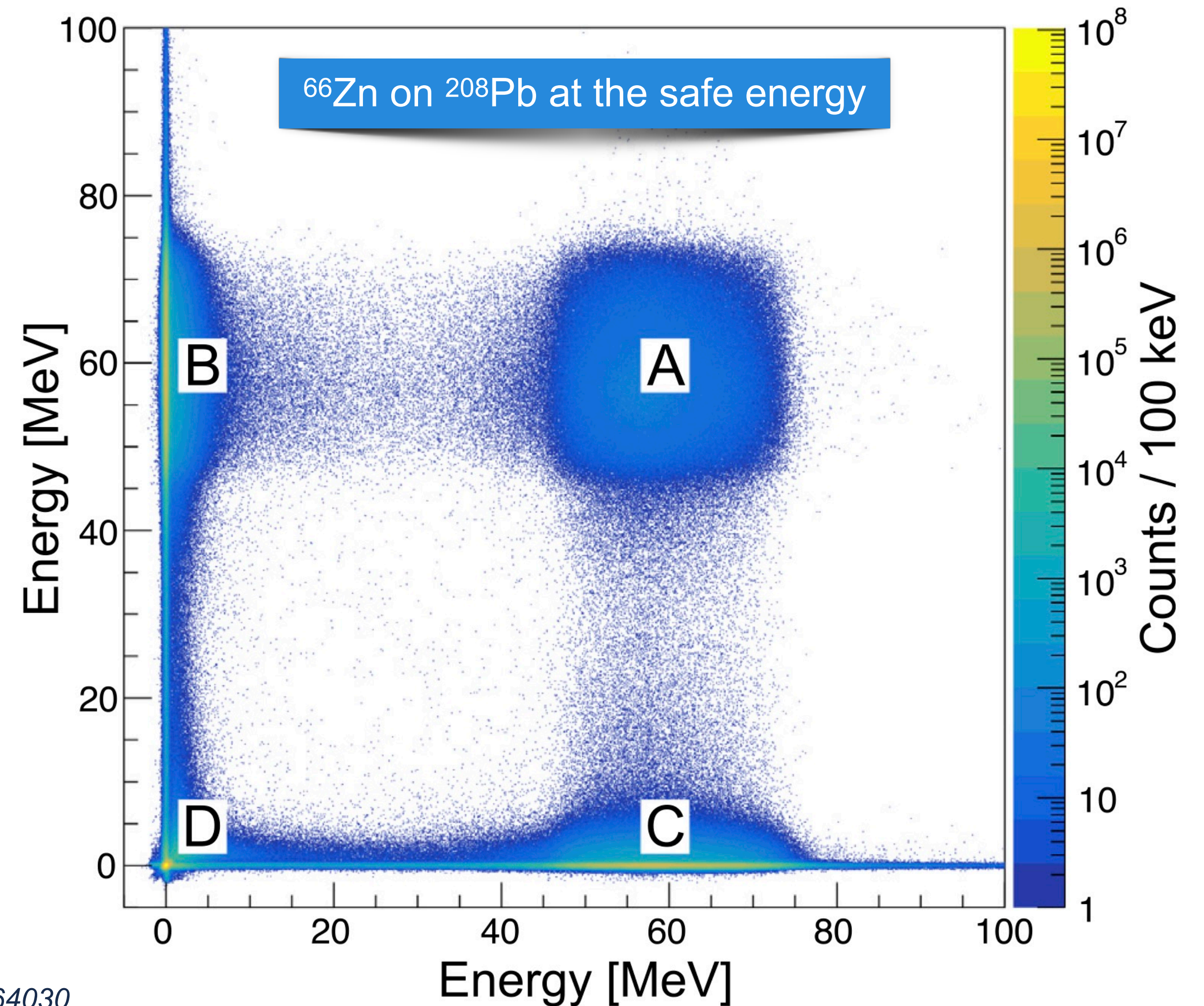
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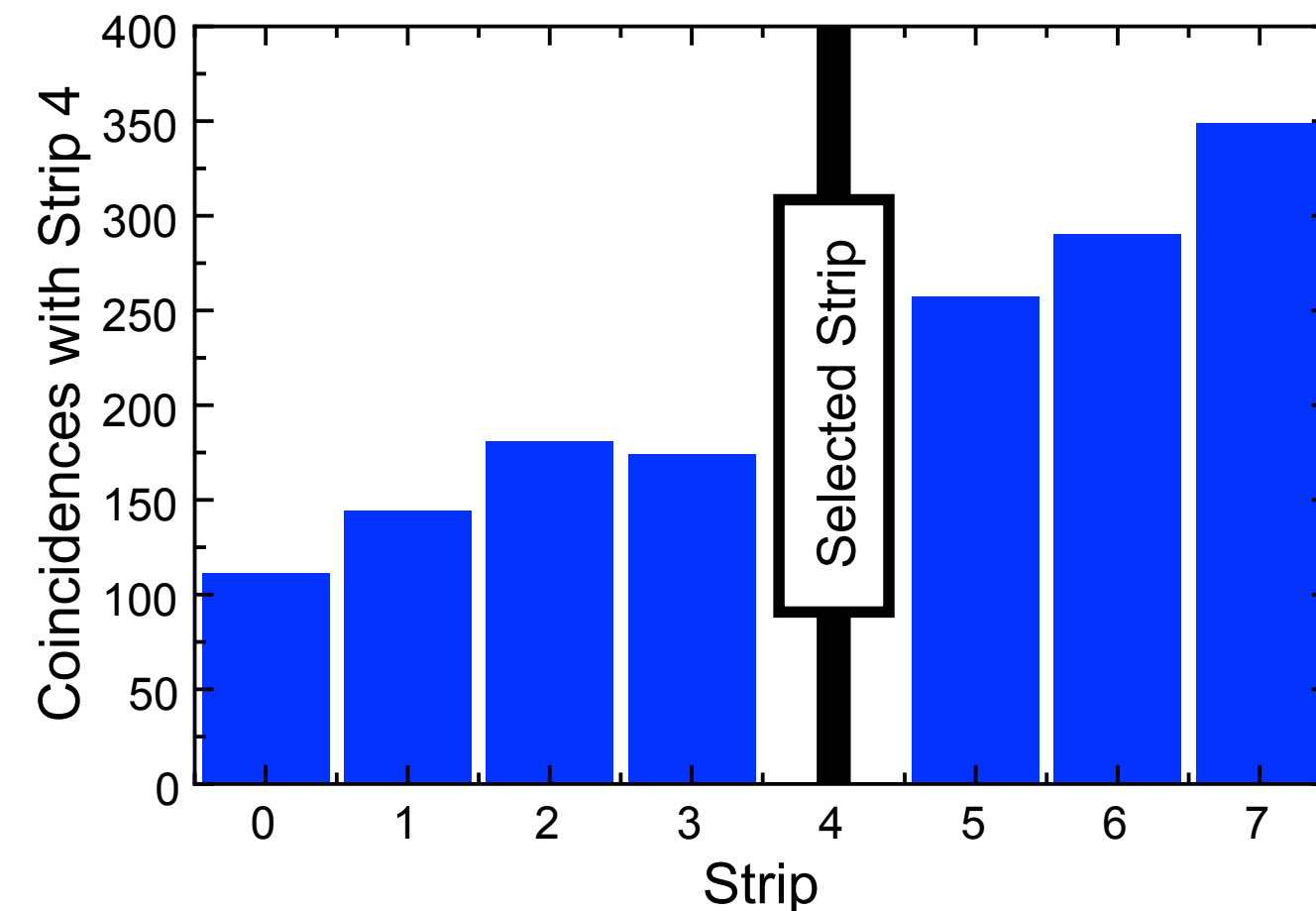
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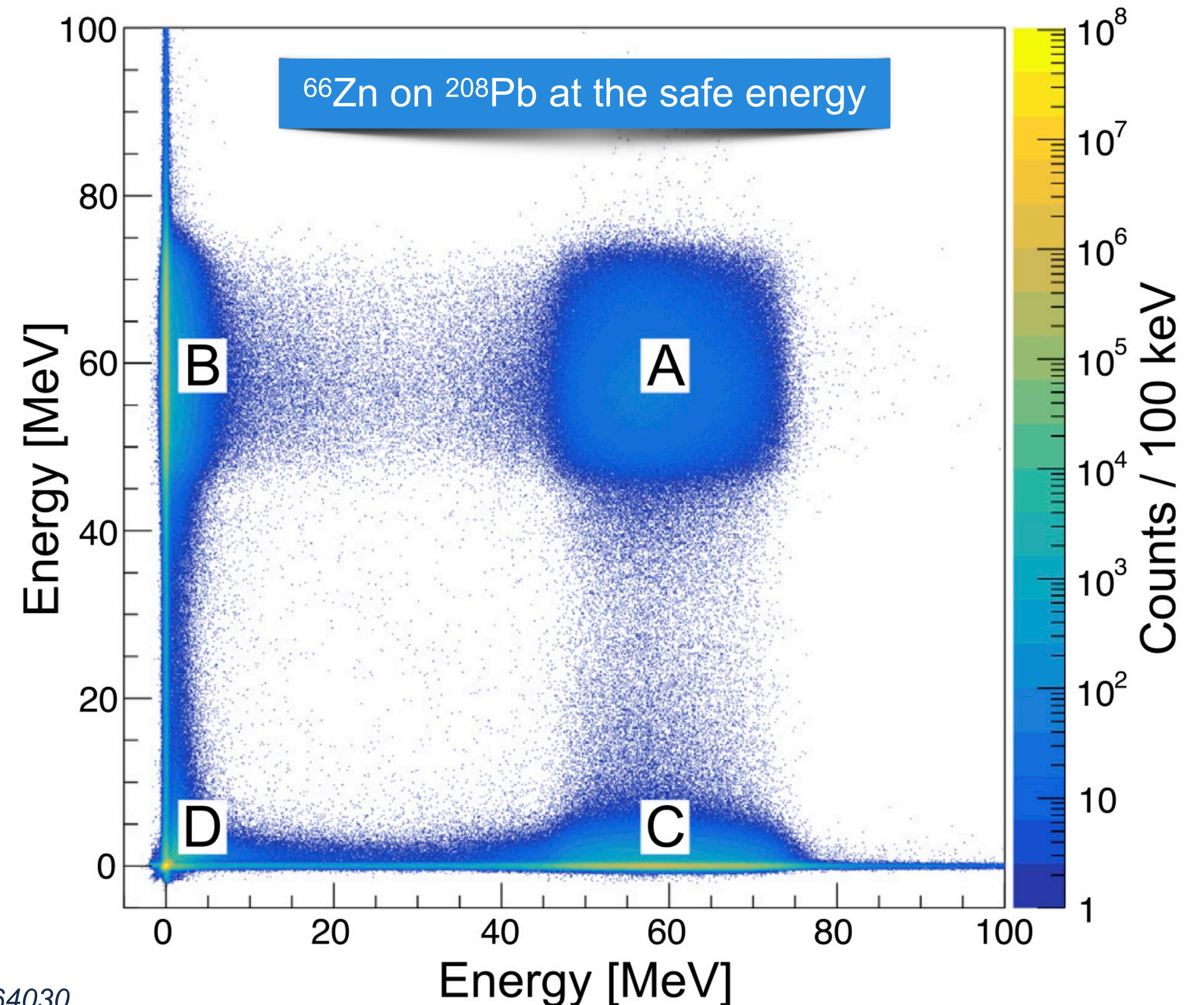
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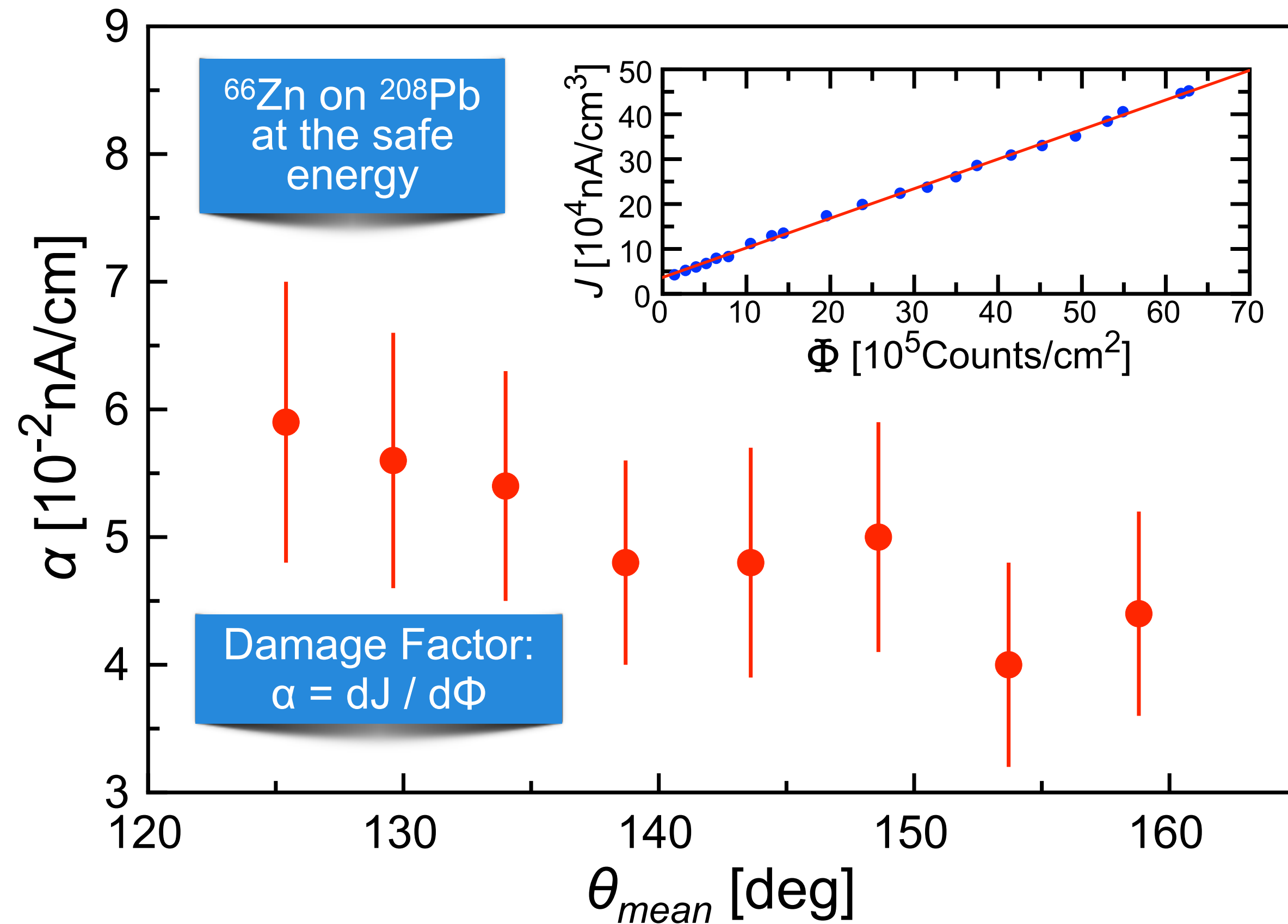


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Radiation Damage

- Permanent lattice defects or temporary effects (temperature, auto-recovered displacements ...)



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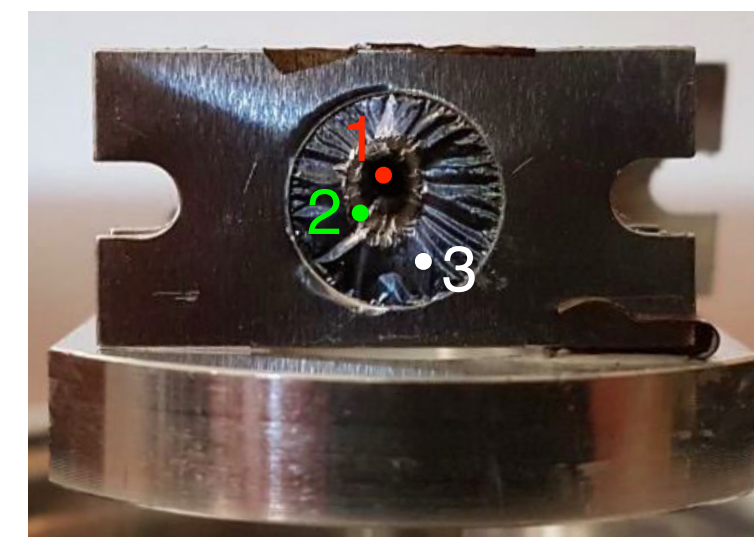
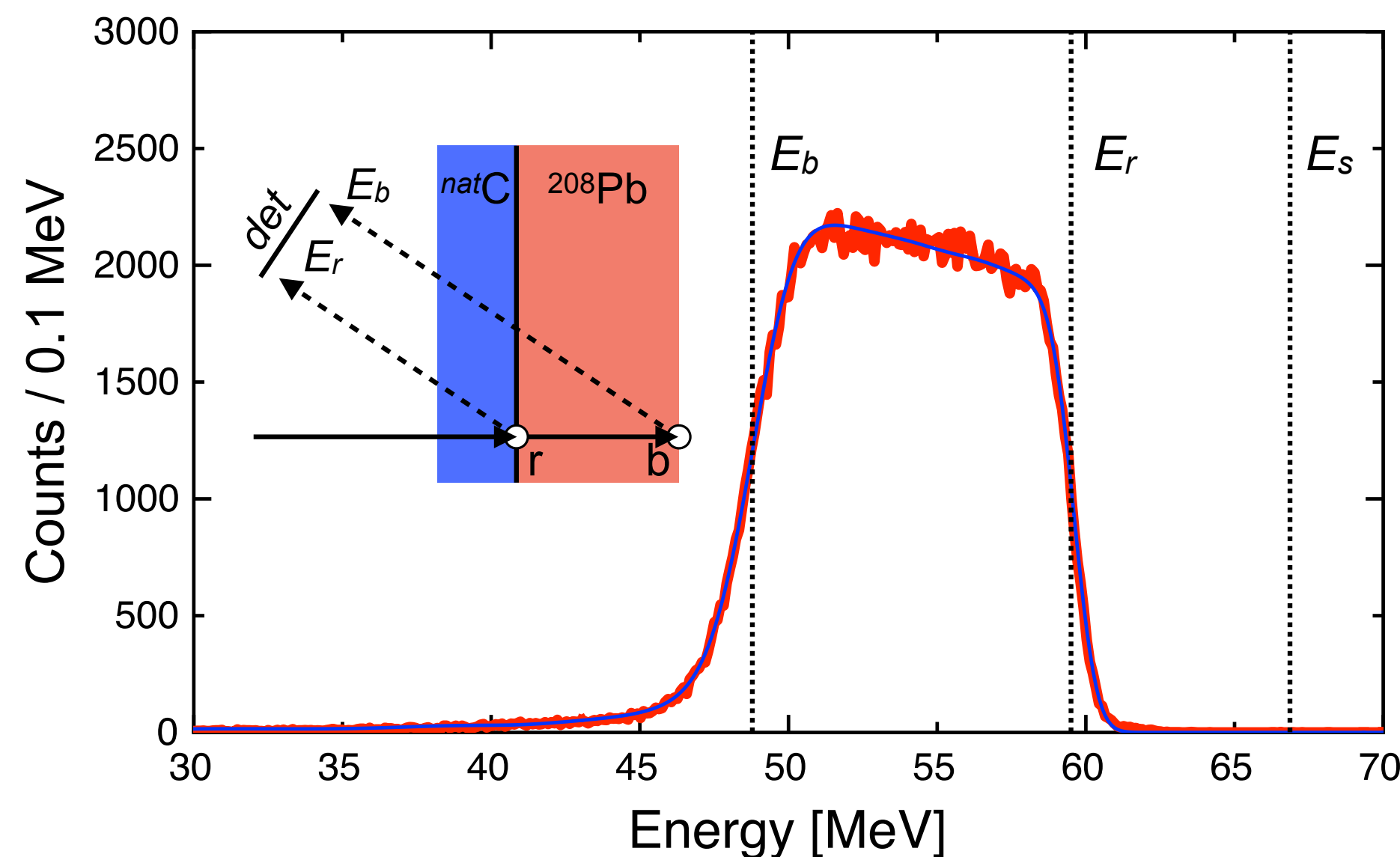
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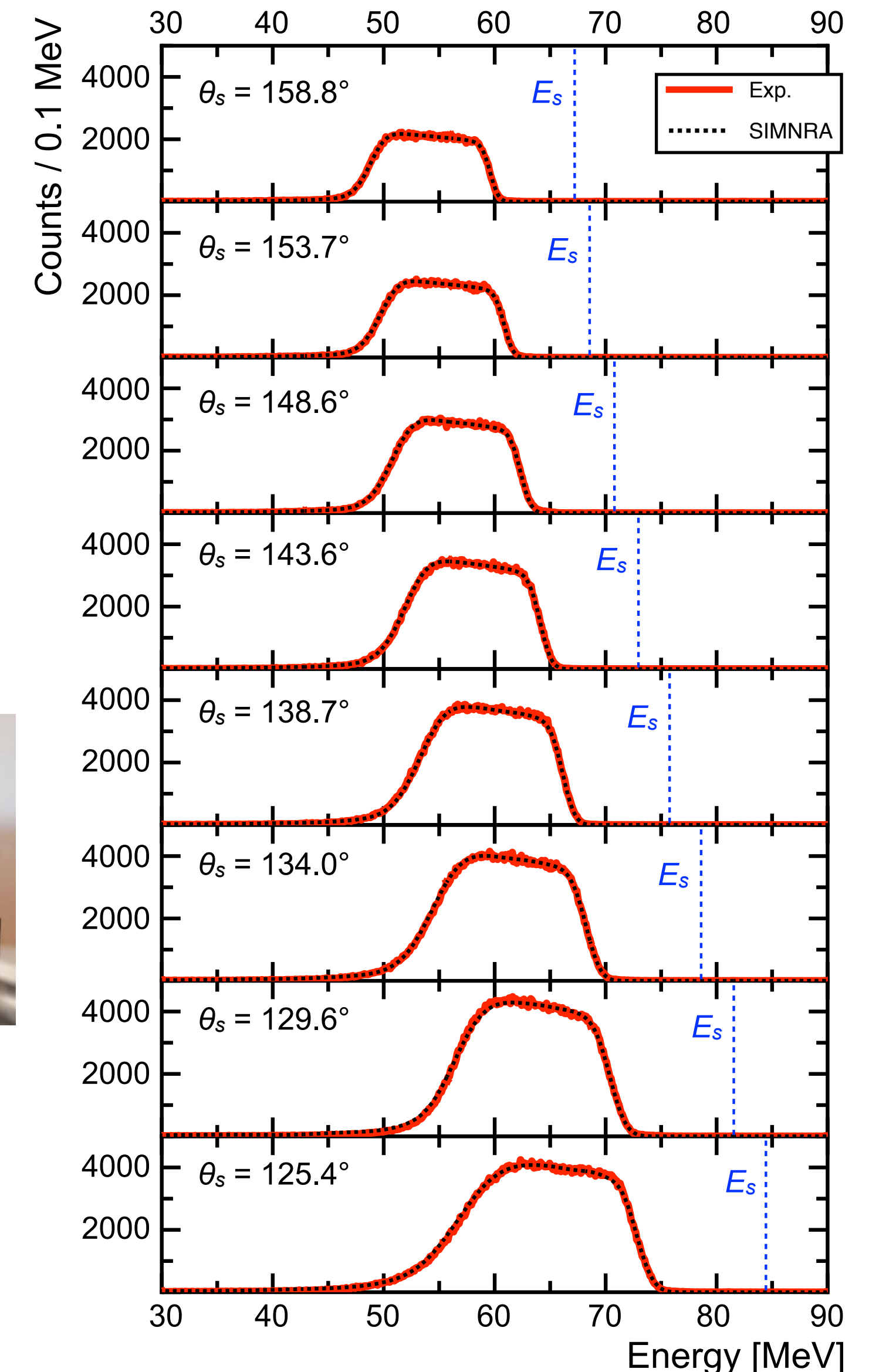
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- ▶ The high energy resolution of SPIDER allows for the **online** application of the **Rutherford-backscattering technique** (e.g., using the SIMNRA code)
- ▶ Target thickness, contaminants, carbon-built-up layer, etc...
- ▶ **Example** in ^{66}Zn on ^{208}Pb with GALILEO:
 - ▶ ^{208}Pb thickness = 616(11) mg/cm², ^{12}C built-up = 114(12) mg/cm²



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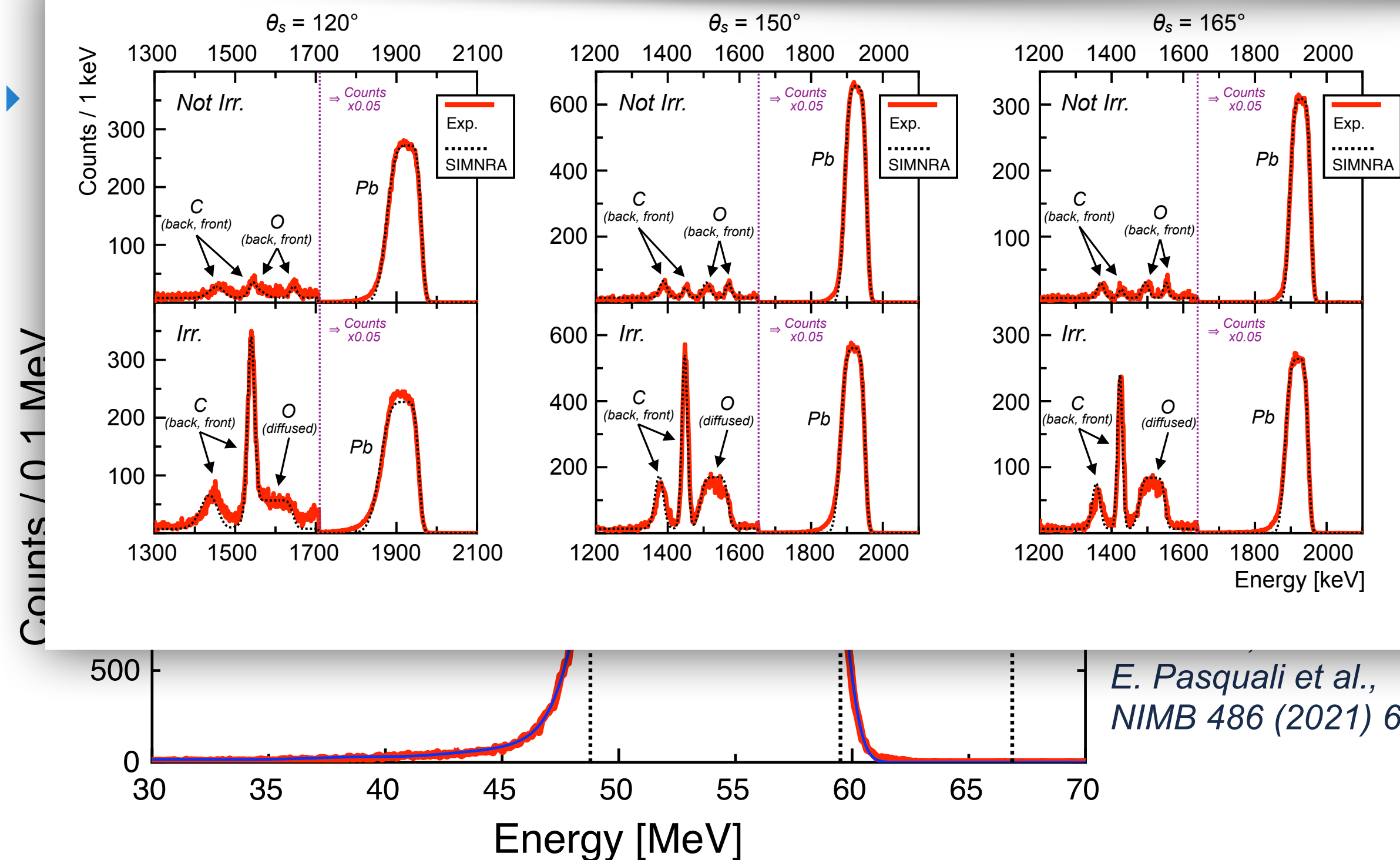
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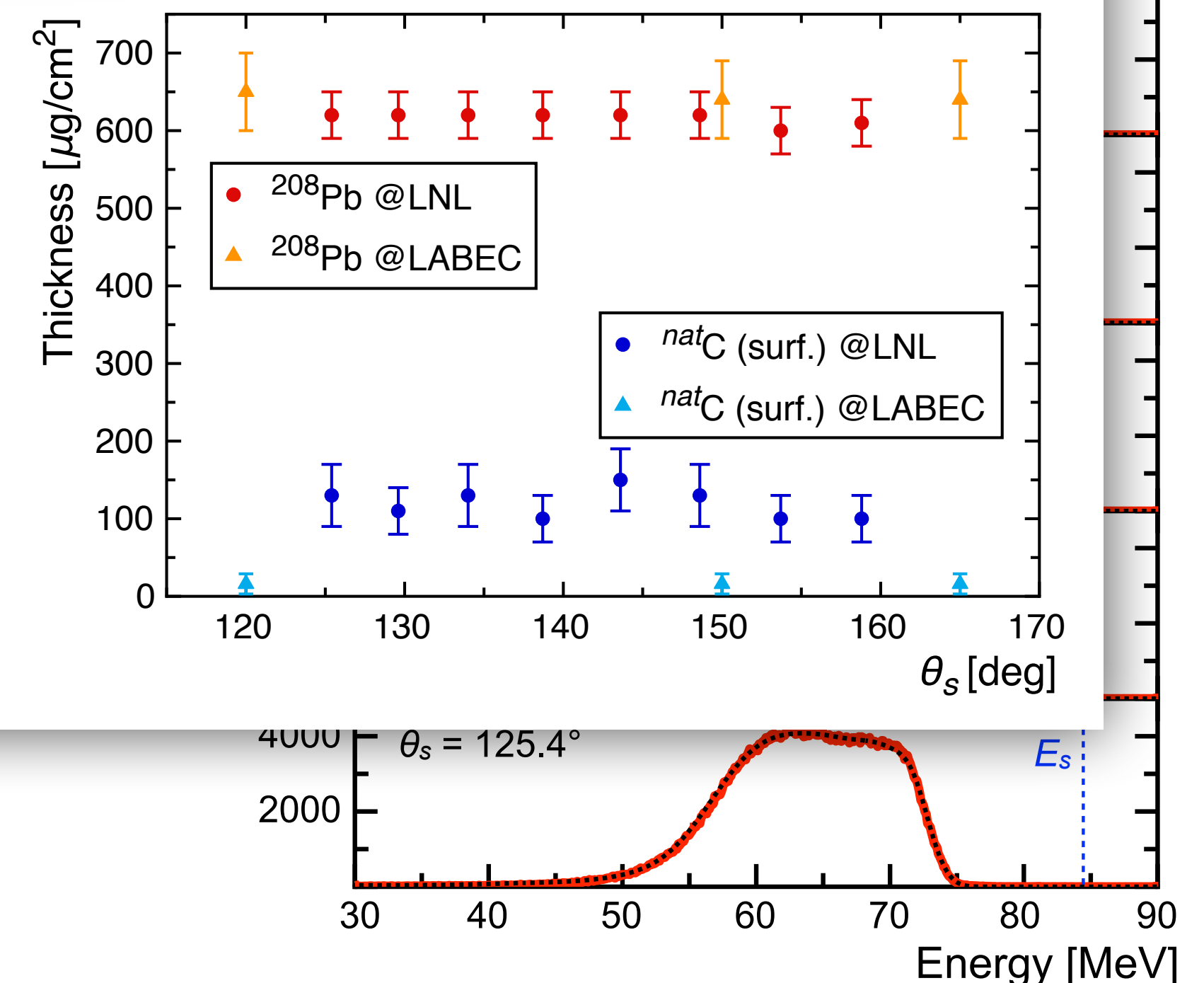
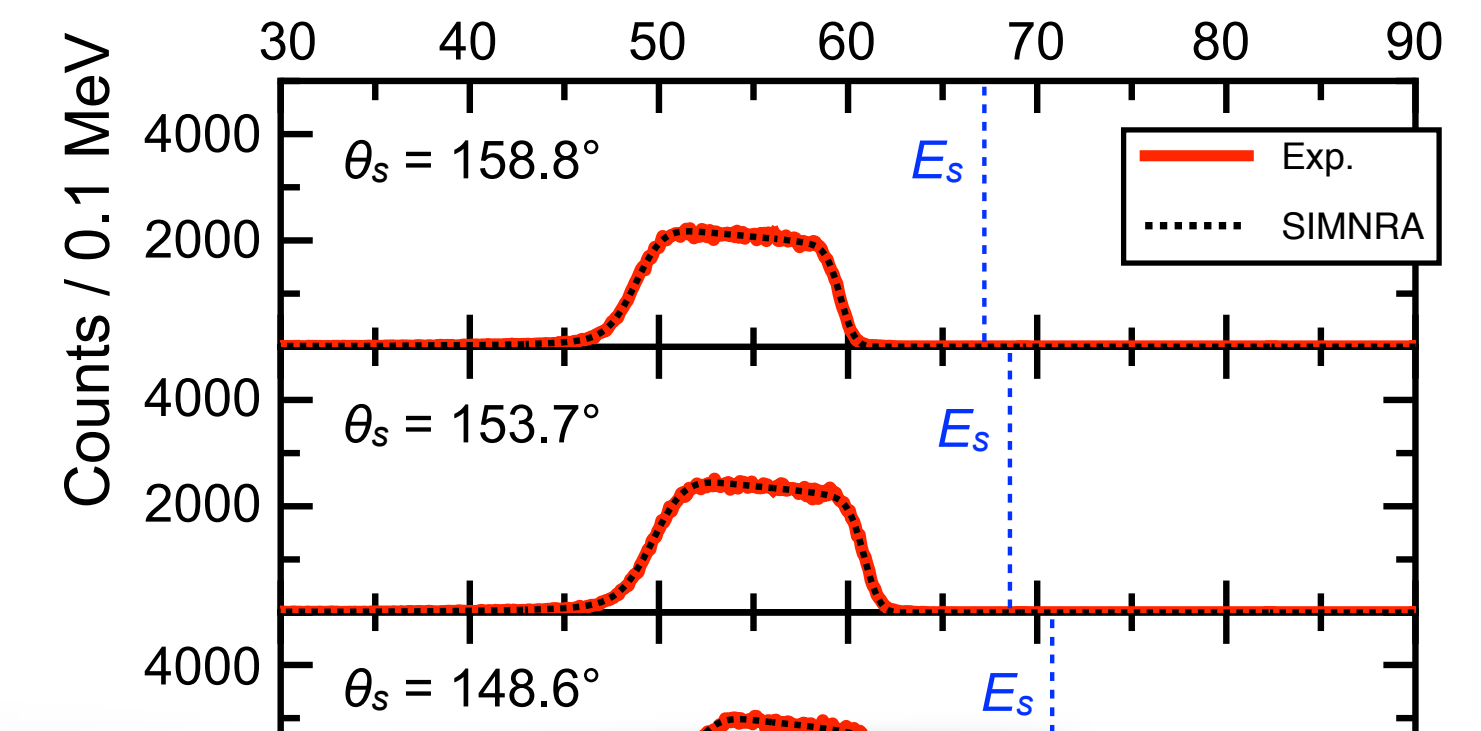
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Results validated with an independent RBS measurement at the LABEC laboratory in Florence



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- ▶ 25 HPGe Compton-suppressed detectors (GASP type)

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- ▶ FWHM (@1332.5 keV) < 2.4 keV

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- ▶ Efficiency (@1332.5 keV) = 2.1%

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- ▶ Full digital electronics (takes advantage of the developments made for AGATA):

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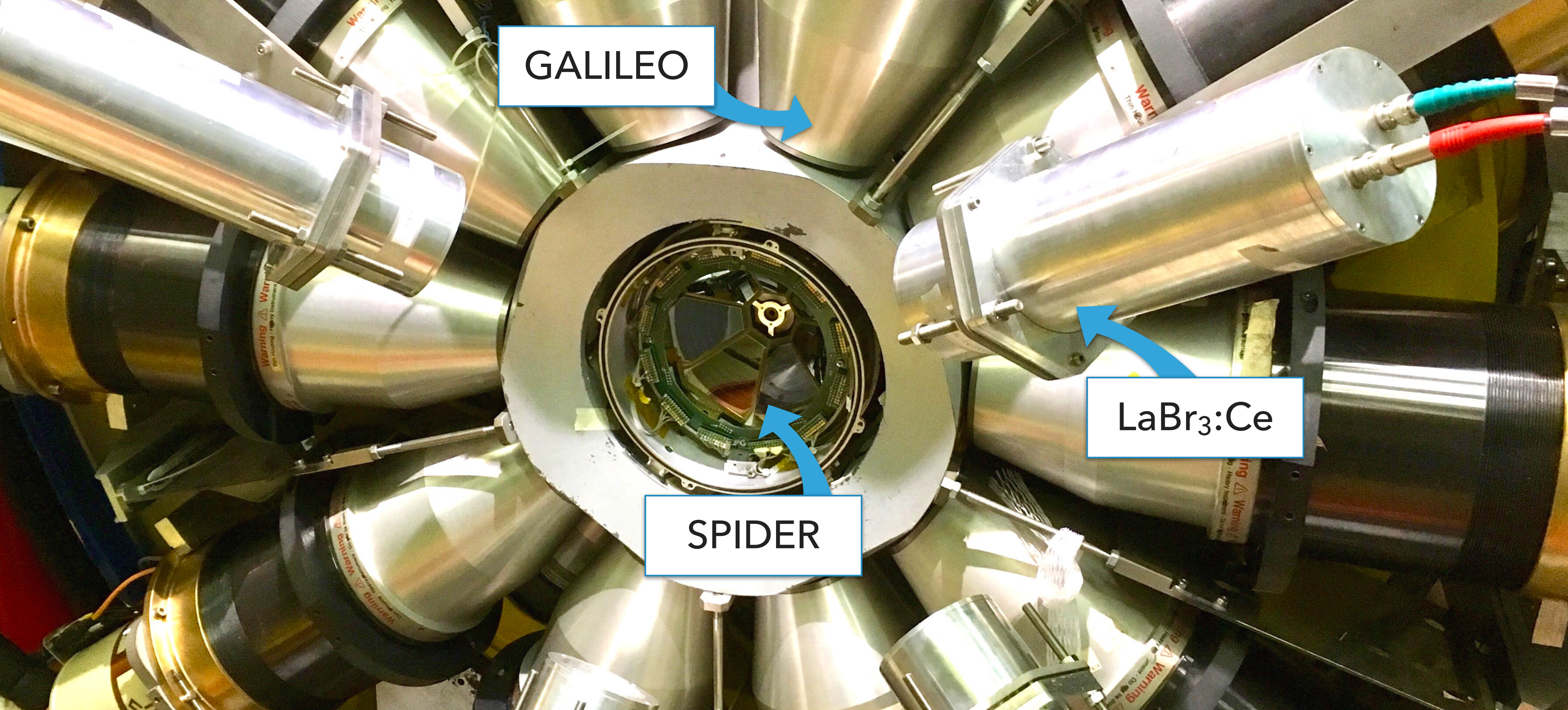
- ▶ Trigger-less mode
- ▶ Typical operational rate ~ 20 kHz/det
- ▶ Common clock synchronization
- ▶ Local data processing

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GALILEO with SPIDER (2016 - 2019)

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Triaxiality and an “Isolated” 0_2^+ State in ^{66}Zn

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► GALILEO+SPIDER commissioning

► New results:

► $B(E2; 0_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) = 3.0(10) \text{ W.u.}$
 $B(E2; 0_2^+ \rightarrow 2_2^+) = 1.6(6) \text{ W.u.}$

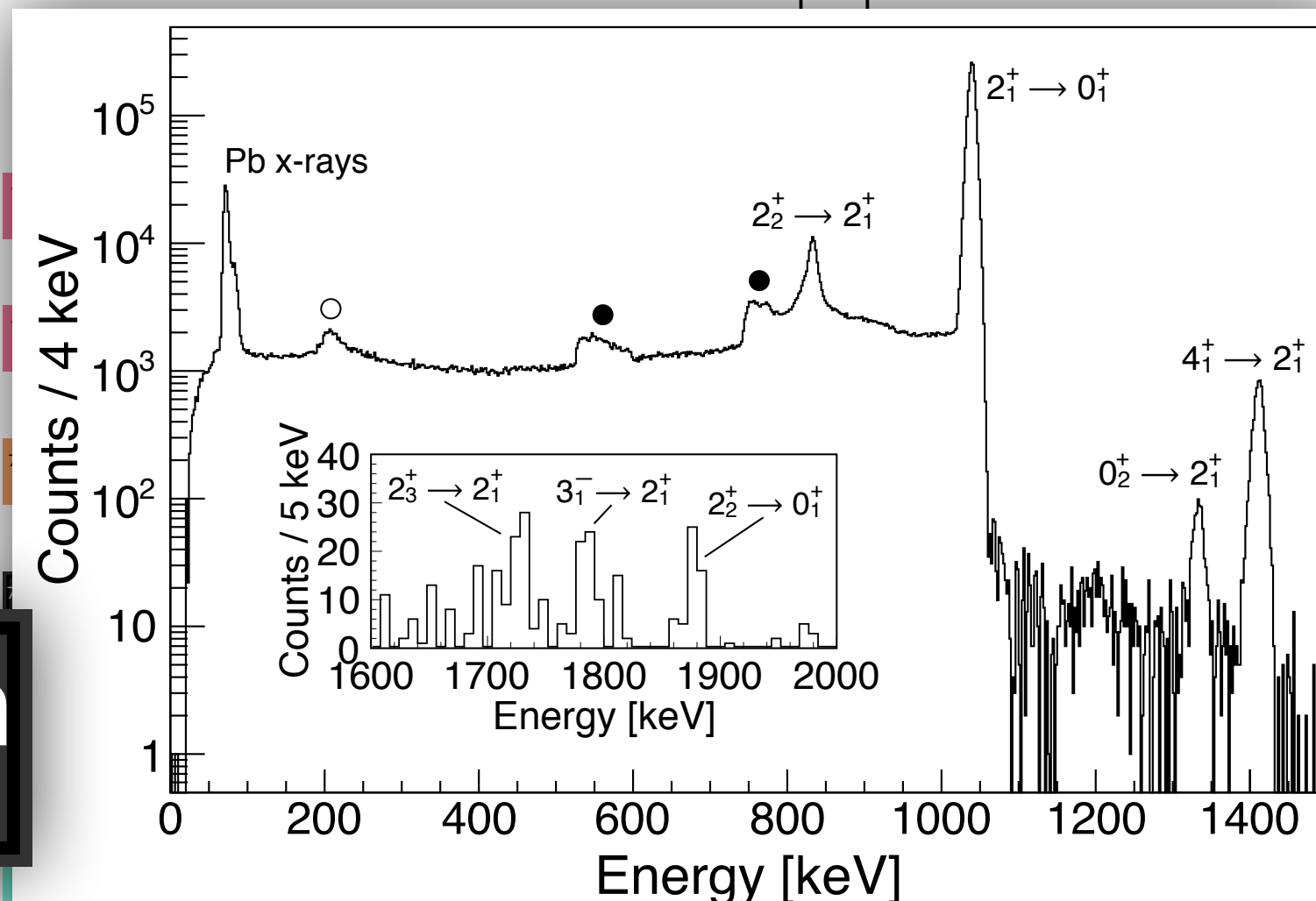
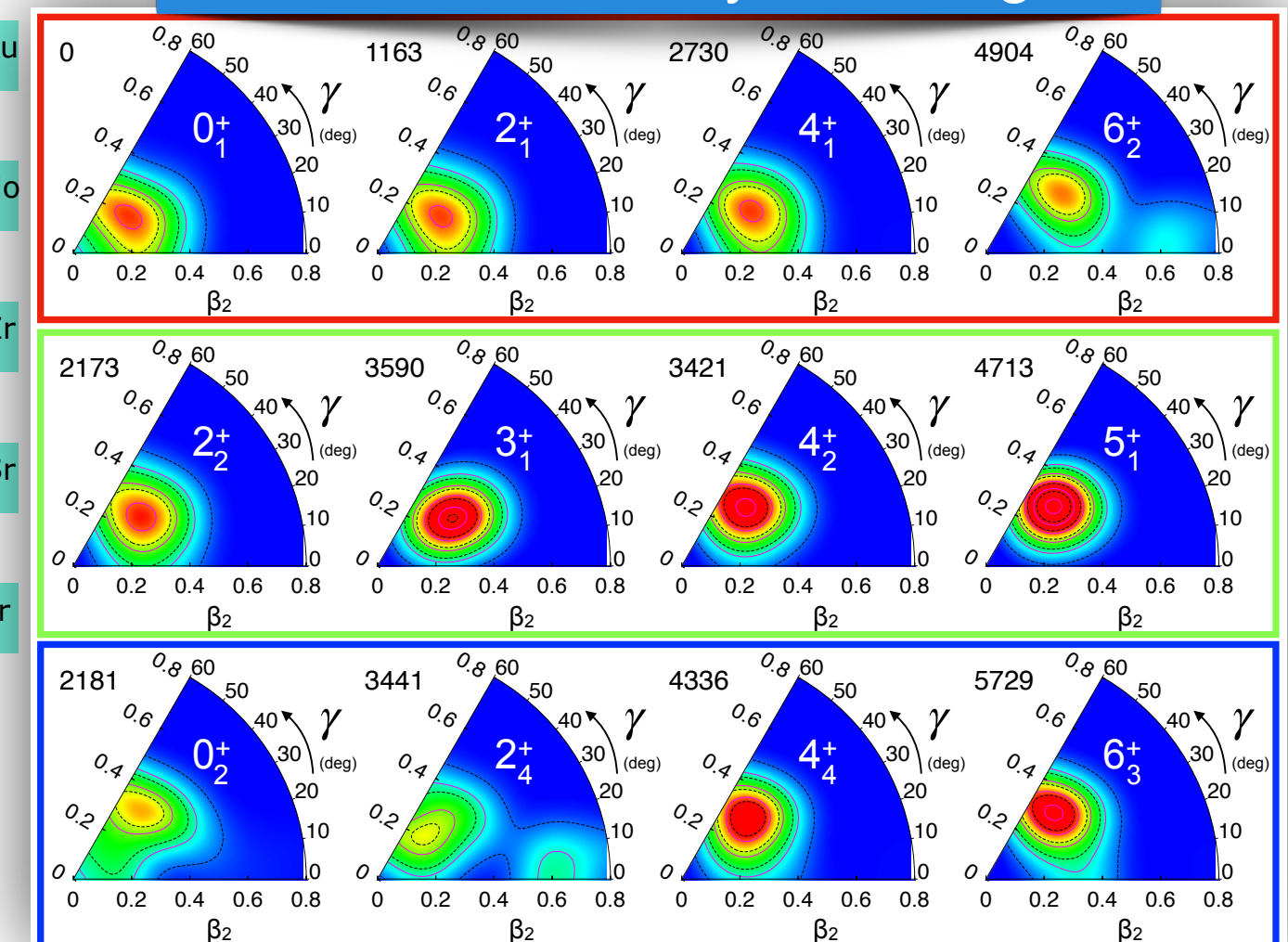
► $\rho^2(E0; 0_2^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+) = 4.0(15)$

► 0_1^+ : $\beta = 0.224(6)$, $\gamma = 44^\circ(8^\circ)$

► 0_2^+ : $\beta \geq 0.051(7)$

Triaxial ground state and a 0_2^+ state that seems to possess a different and isolated structure

BMF calculations by T. Rodríguez



M. Rocchini, K. Hadyńska-Klęk, A. Nannini et al., PRC 103 (2021) 014311

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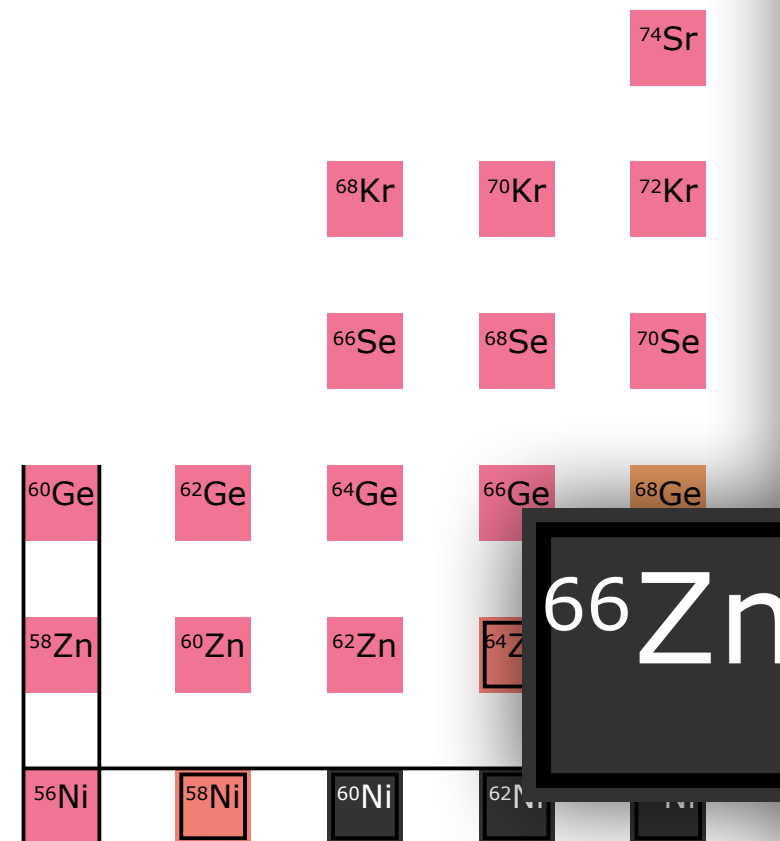
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Type-II Shell Evolution in ^{94}Zr

^{94}Zr on ^{208}Pb | SPs: D.T. Doherty, M. Zielińska, M. Rocchini

► New results:

► 0_1^+ :

$$\beta = 0.118(2)$$

$$v(\beta; 0) = 0.151(3)$$

$$\gamma = 37.2^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$$

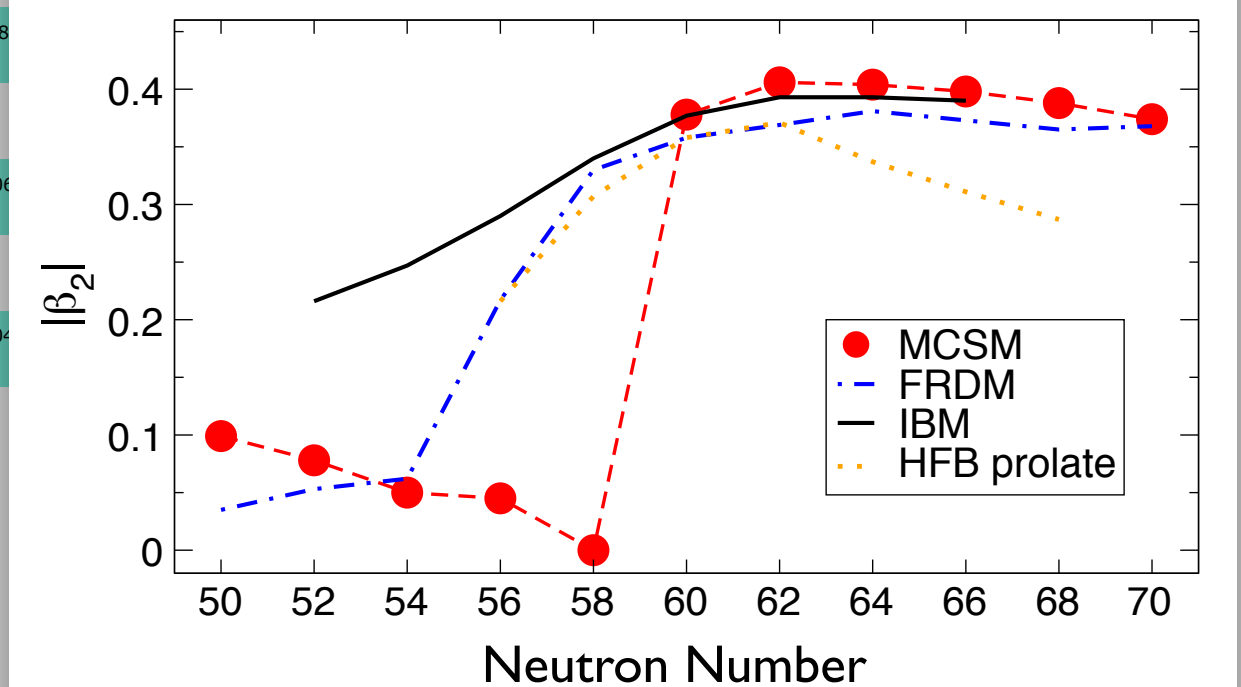
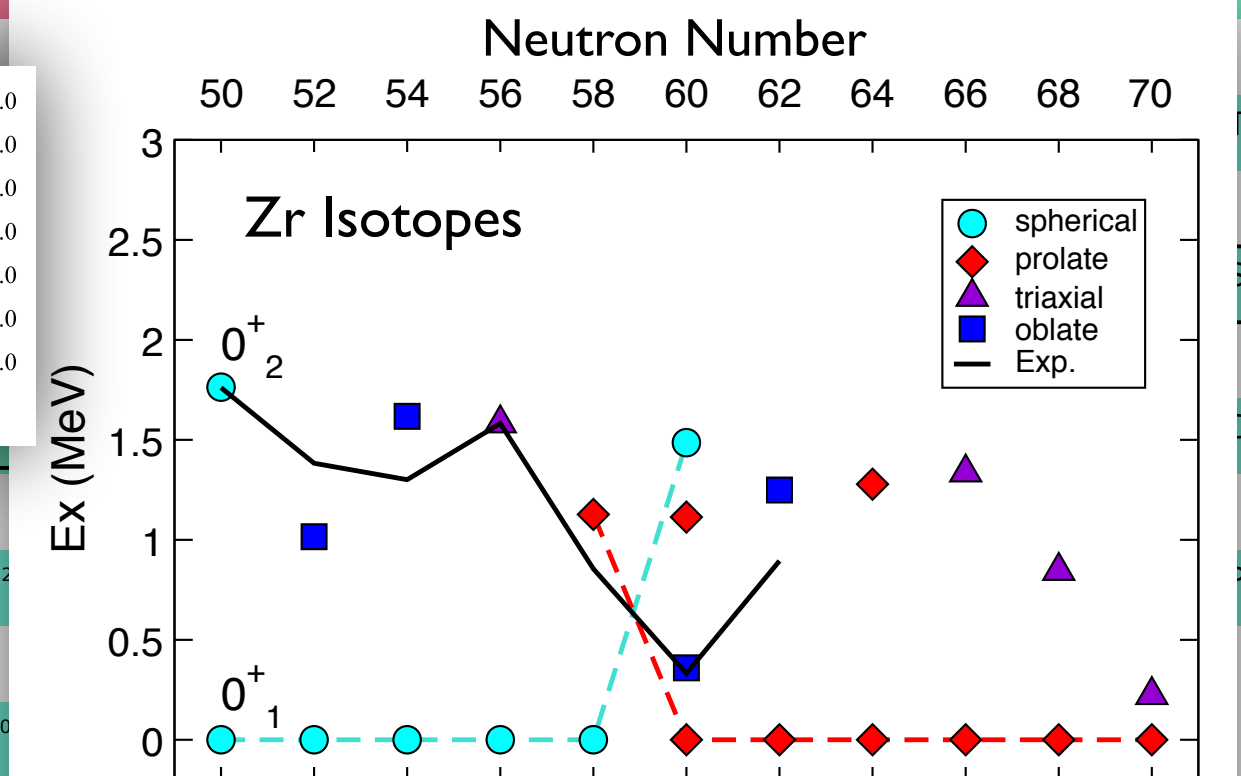
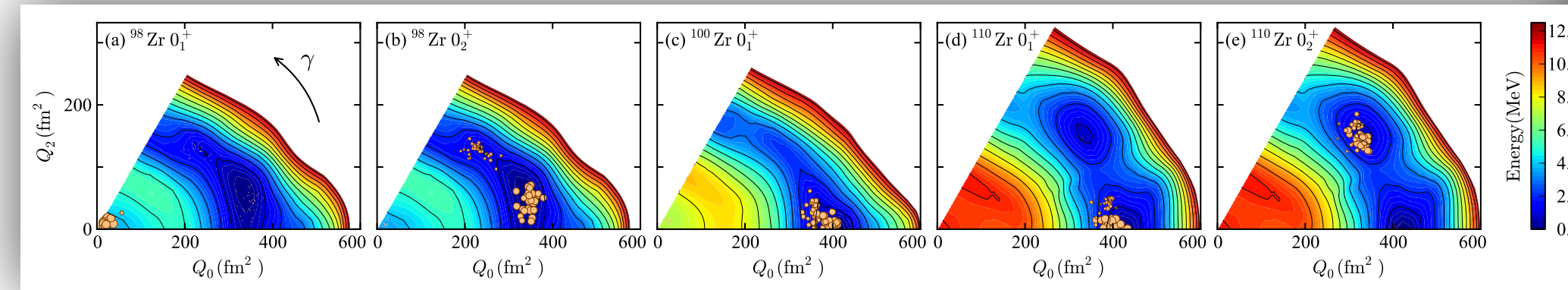
► 0_2^+ :

$$\beta = 0.194(2)$$

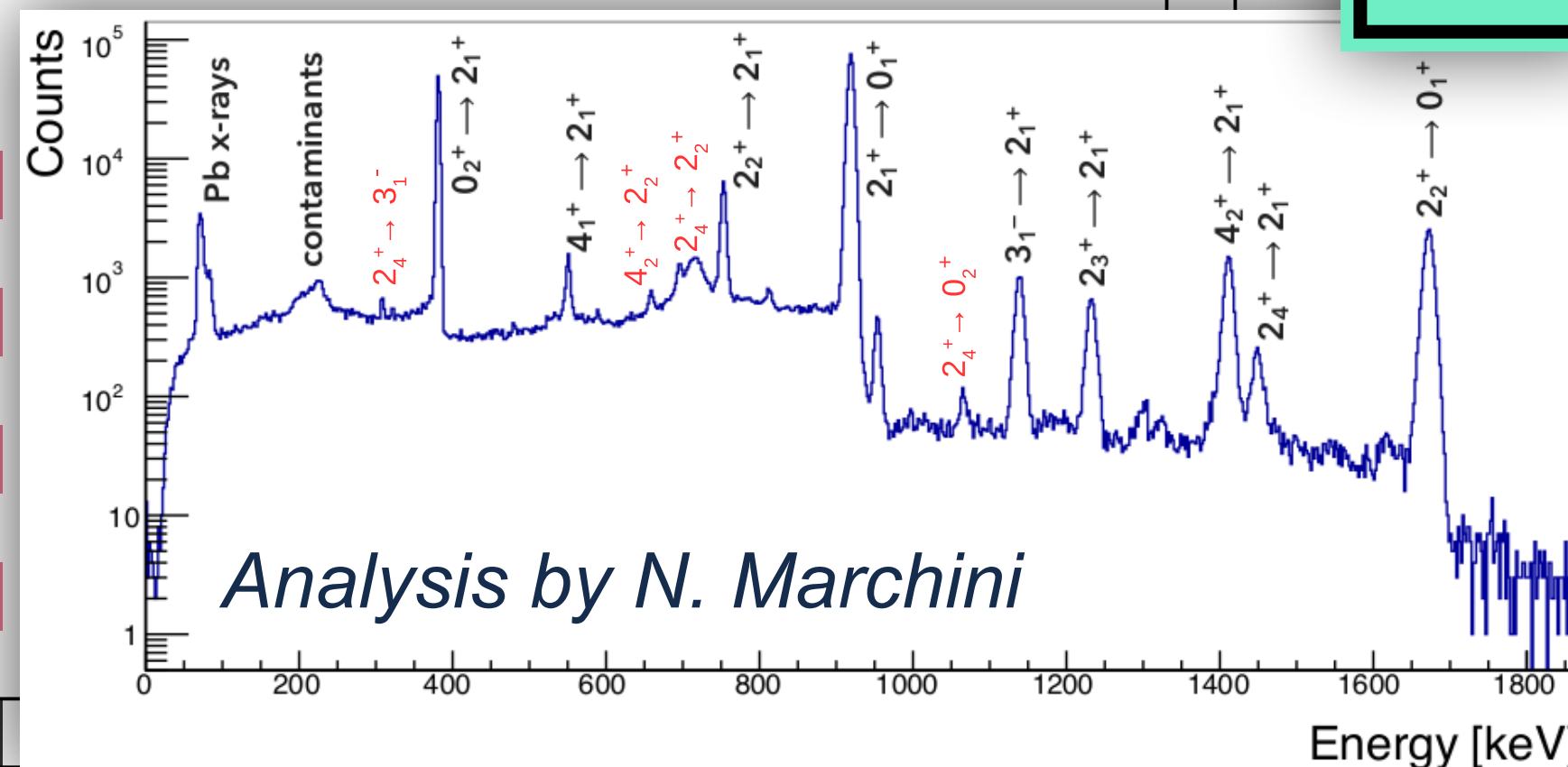
$$v(\beta; 0) = 0.091(2)$$

$$\gamma = 48^{+12}_{-5}$$

First application of quadruple sum rules in the Zr isotopic chain:
“Spherical” g.s. coexisting with a deformed, oblate 0_2^+ state



T. Togashi, Y. Tsunoda, T. Otsuka et al., PRL 117 (2016) 172502



Analysis by N. Marchini

N. Marchini, M. Rocchini, A. Nannini, D.T. Doherty, Zielińska et al., EPJ Web of Conferences 223 (2019) 01038

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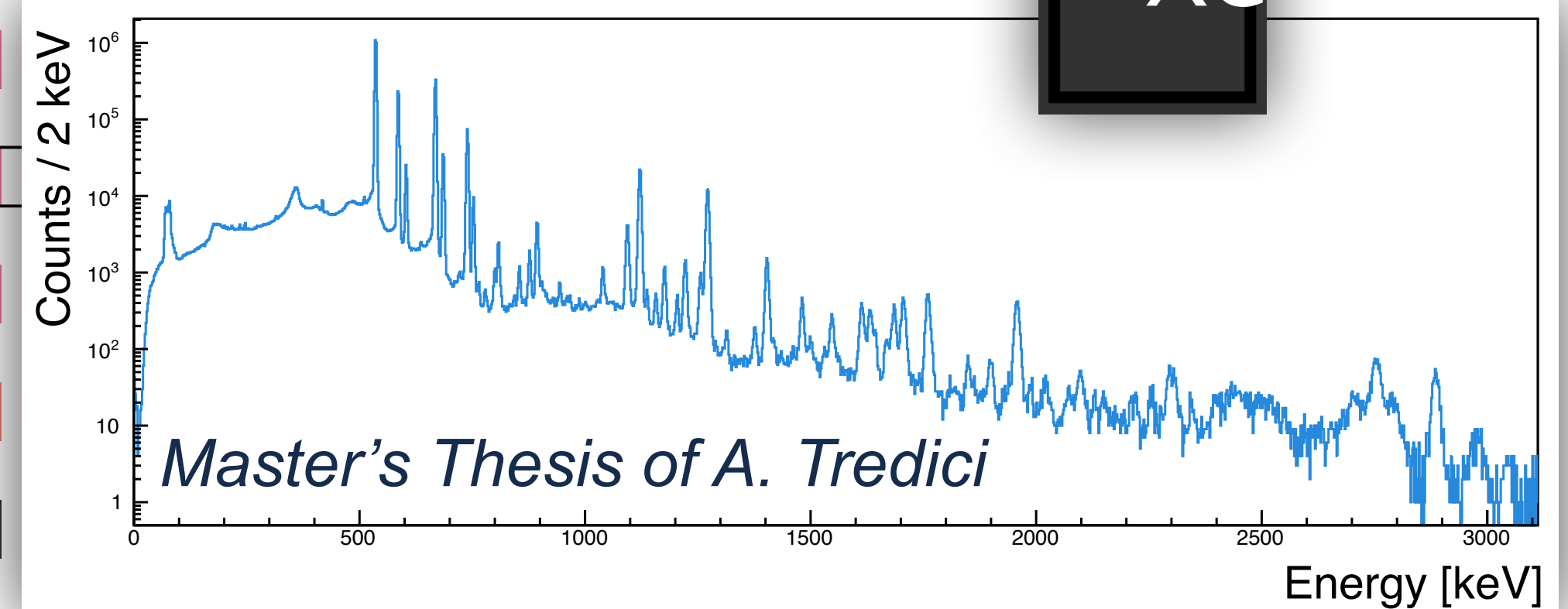
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Shapes in ^{130}Xe for ^{130}Te $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay

^{130}Xe on ^{208}Pb | SPs: A. Nannini, M. Rocchini, P. Napiorkowski

- On-going analysis:
 - More than 30 states populated
 - 5 excited 0^+ candidates populated
 - More than 50 transitions observed, 10 new

Deformation parameters and their dispersions for the g.s. should be accessible from GOSIA analysis



A. Tredici, A. Nannini, M. Rocchini, P. Napiórkowski et al., LNL Annual Report 2019 (2020) 59

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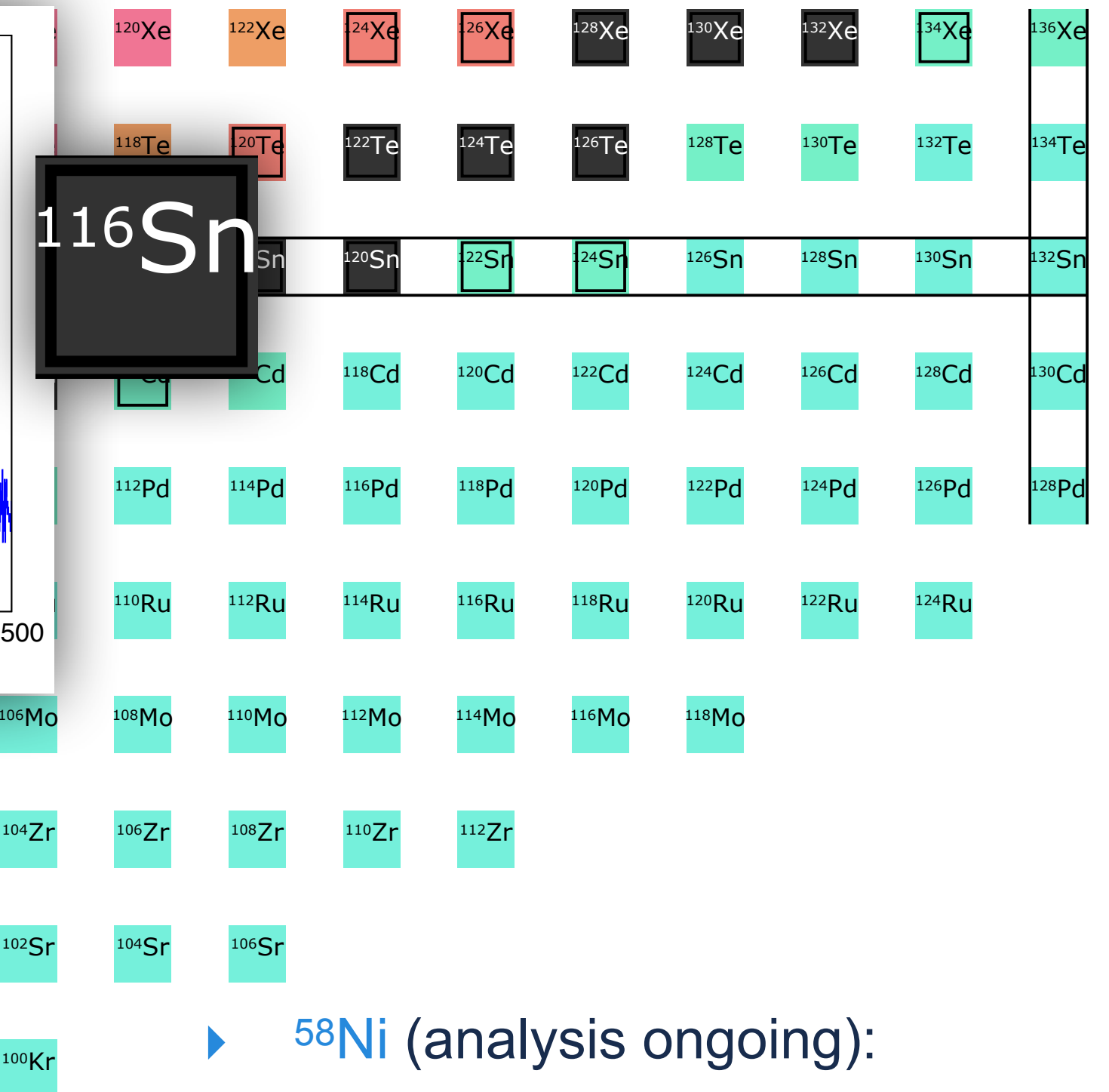
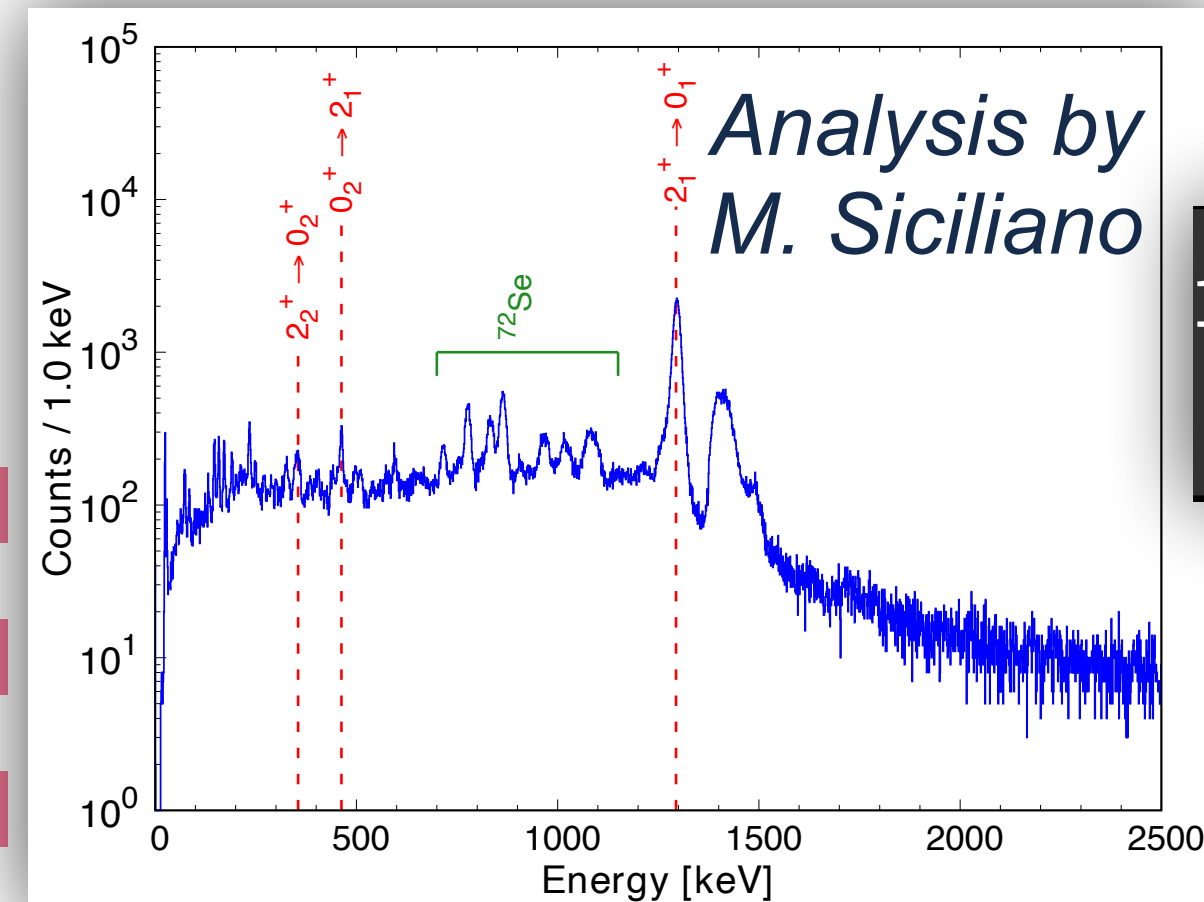
Coulex of ^{58}Ni and ^{116}Sn

^{58}Ni on ^{116}Sn | SPs: M. Siciliano, A. Illana, M. Saxena

M. Siciliano, A. Goasduff, M. Rocchini et al., LNL Annual Report 2019 (2020) 52

► ^{116}Sn (analysis ongoing):

- Population of 2^+ states above the $0_{2,3}^+$ states achieved
- Cut on the fusion evaporation background

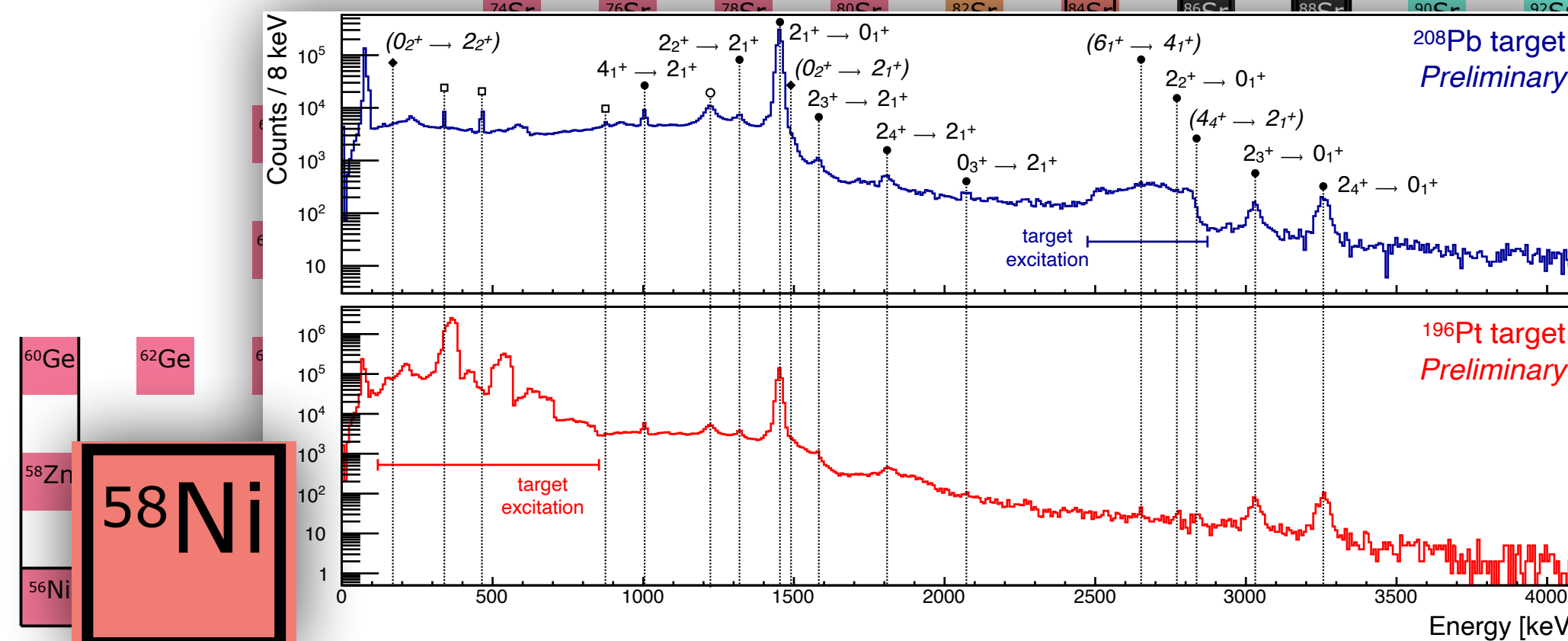


► ^{58}Ni (analysis ongoing):

- 0_3^+ state populated
- States above the 2_2^+ state \Rightarrow $Q_s(2_2^+)$ achievable

Analysis by
K. Hadyńska-Klęk

^{58}Ni on ^{208}Pb , ^{196}Pt | SPs: M. Rocchini, A. Nannini, K. Hadyńska-Klęk
M. Rocchini, A. Nannini, K. Hadyńska-Klęk et al., LNL Annual Report 2020 (2021) 39



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- ▶ Last generation γ -ray spectrometer composed of **highly-segmented HPGe** detectors

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- ▶ Employs advanced **PSA** and **γ -ray tracking** methods to avoid Compton-suppressors and guarantee high efficiency

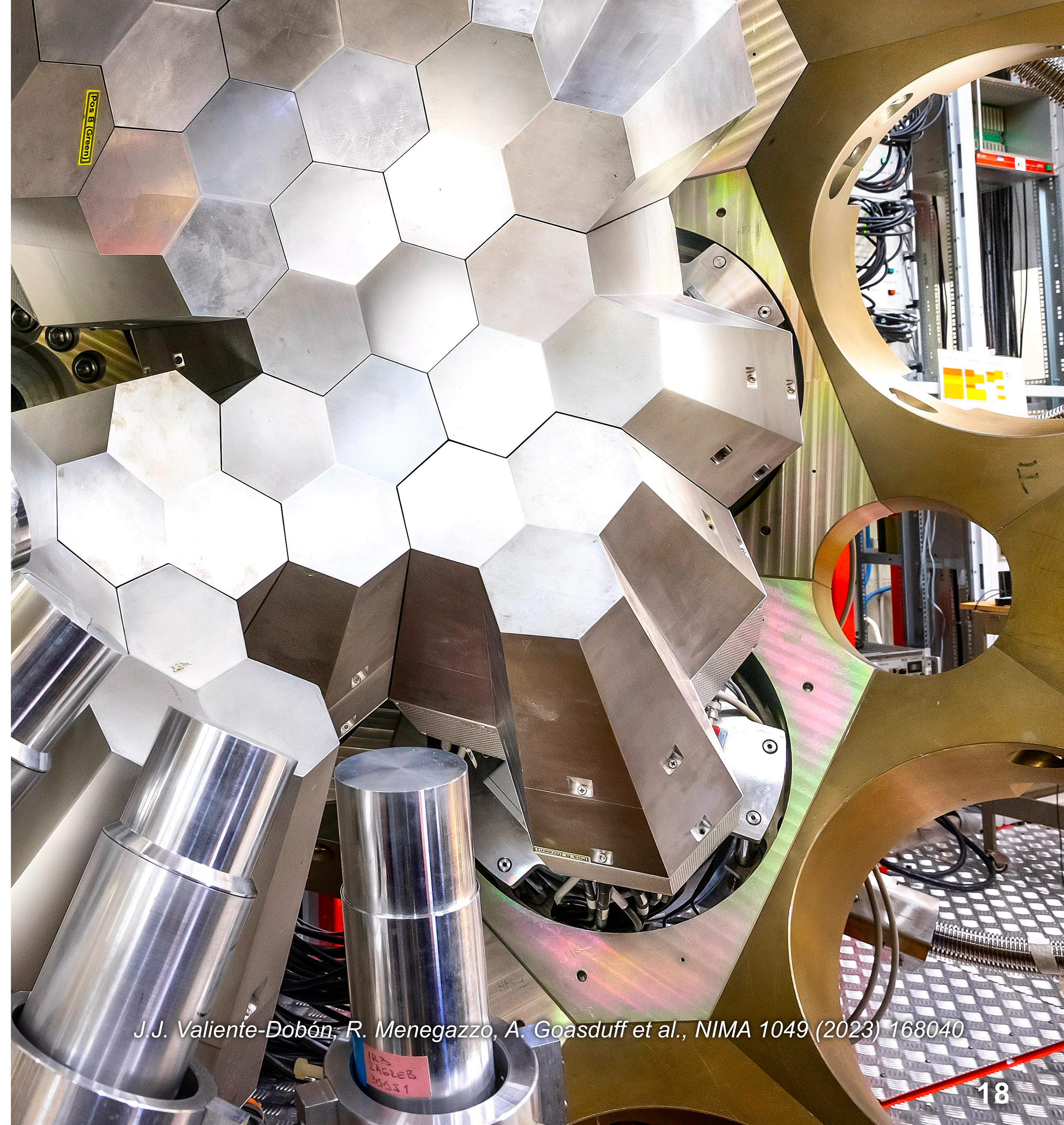
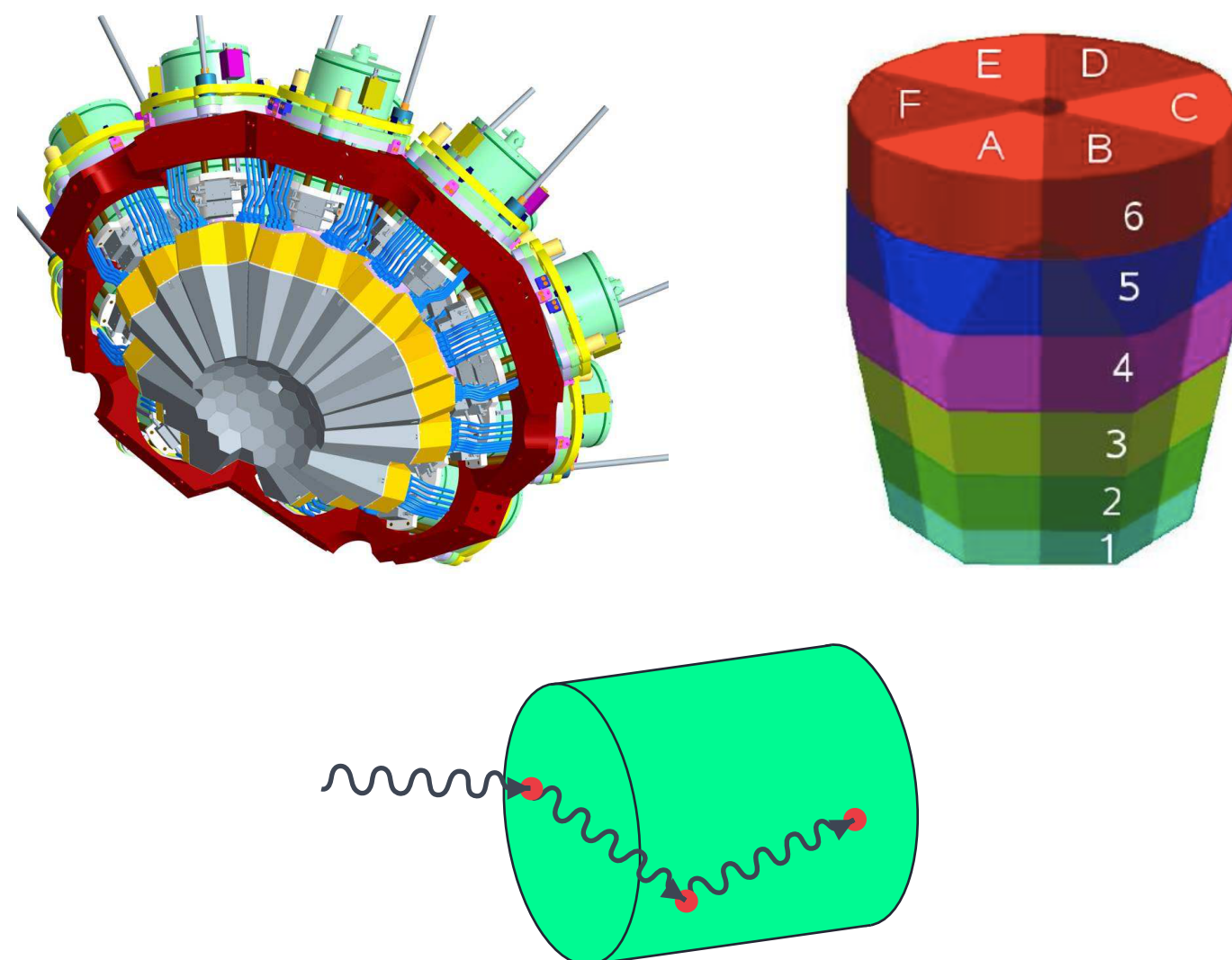
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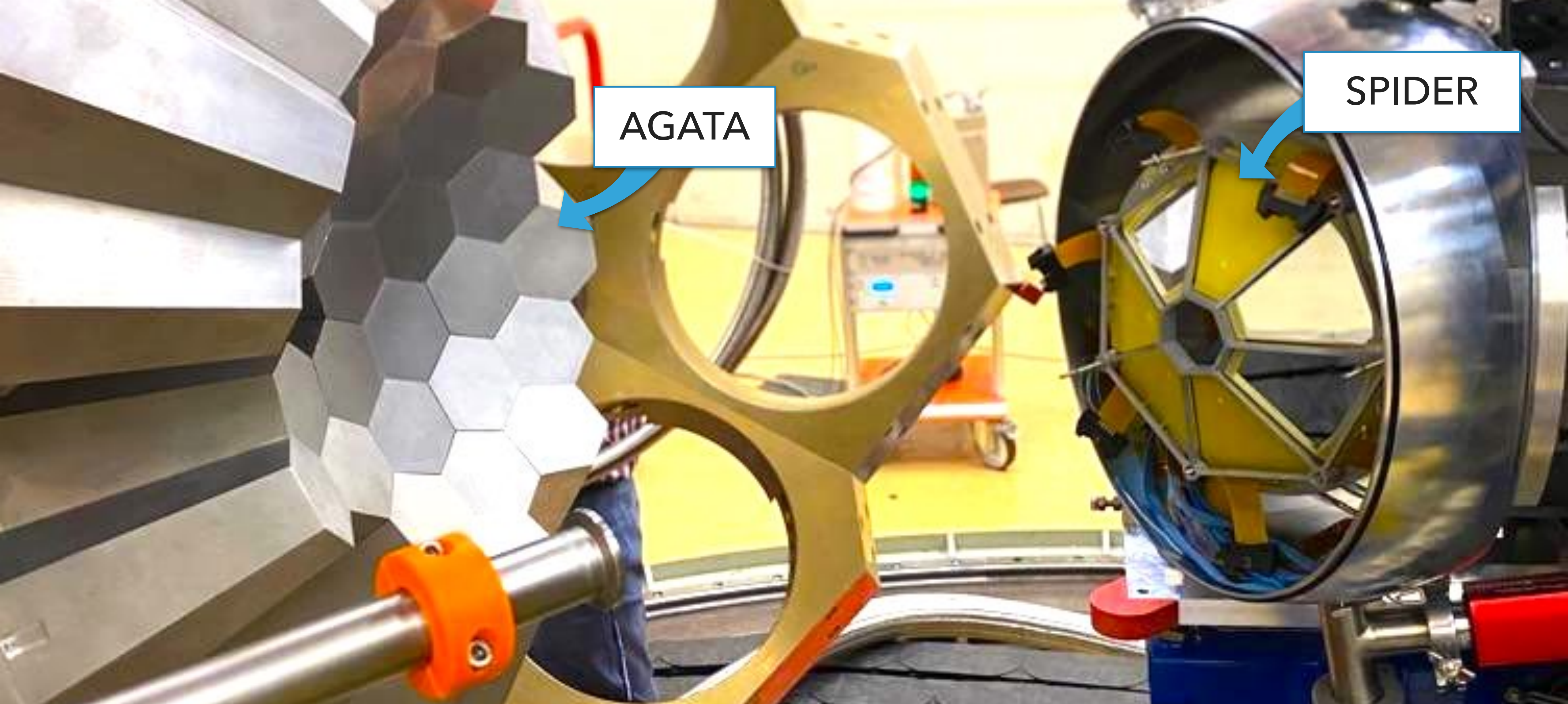
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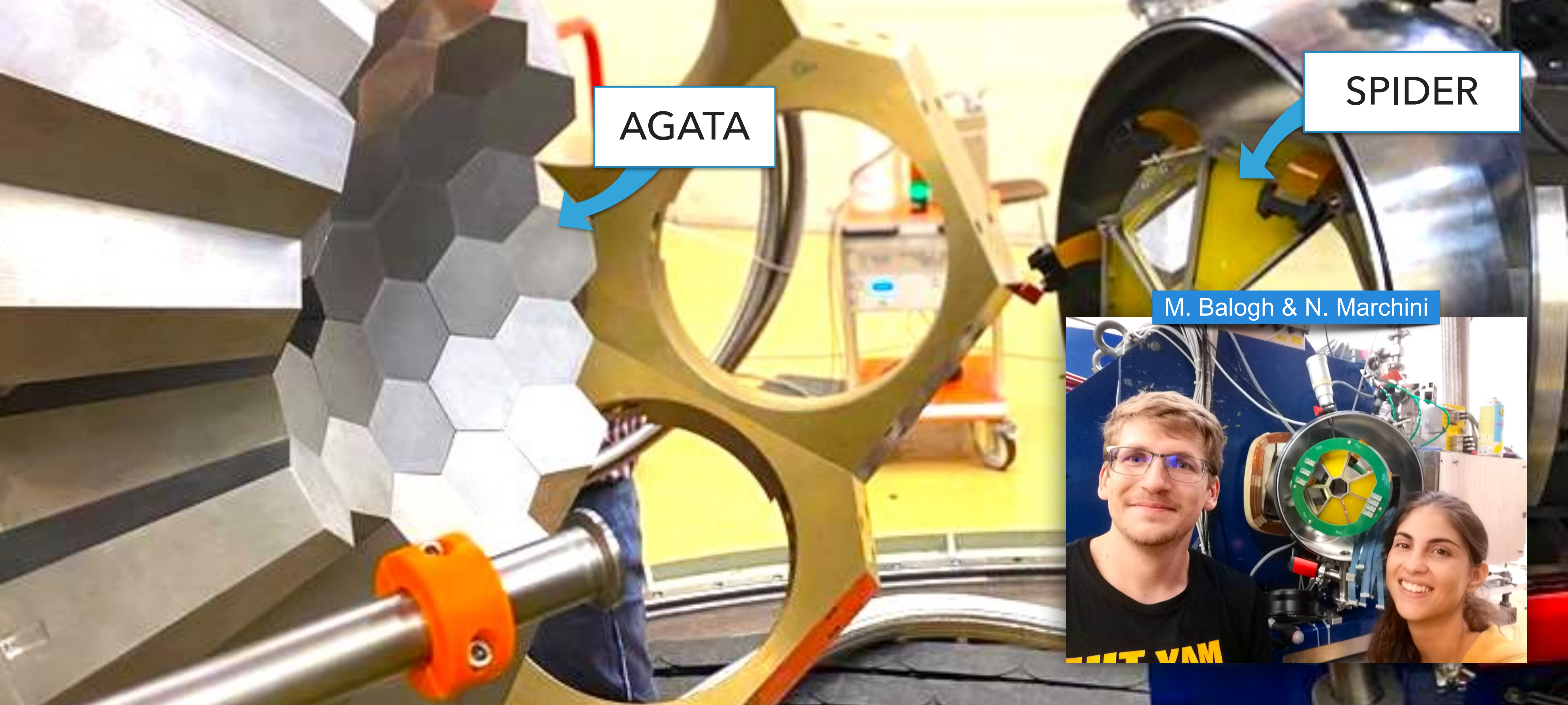


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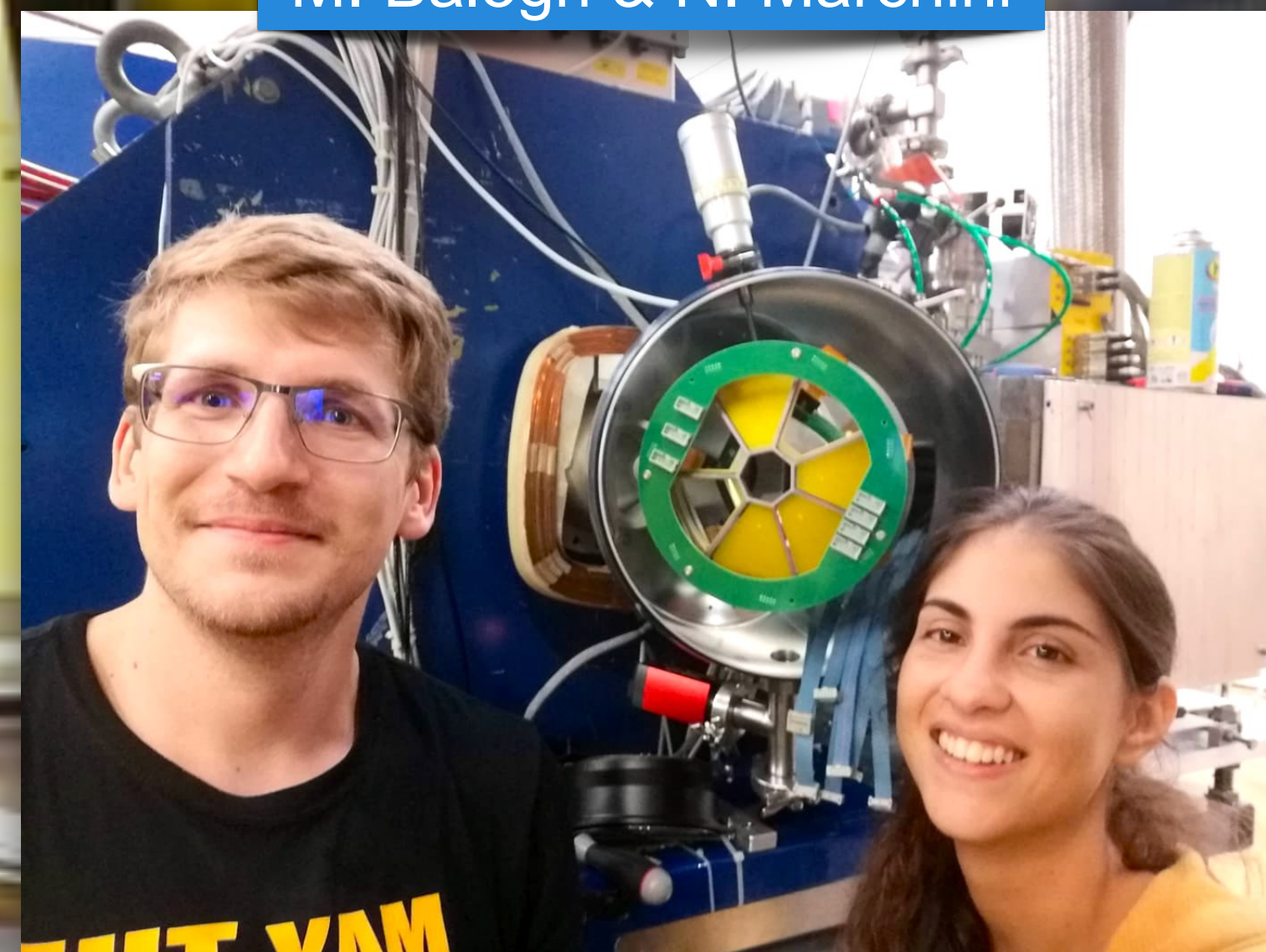




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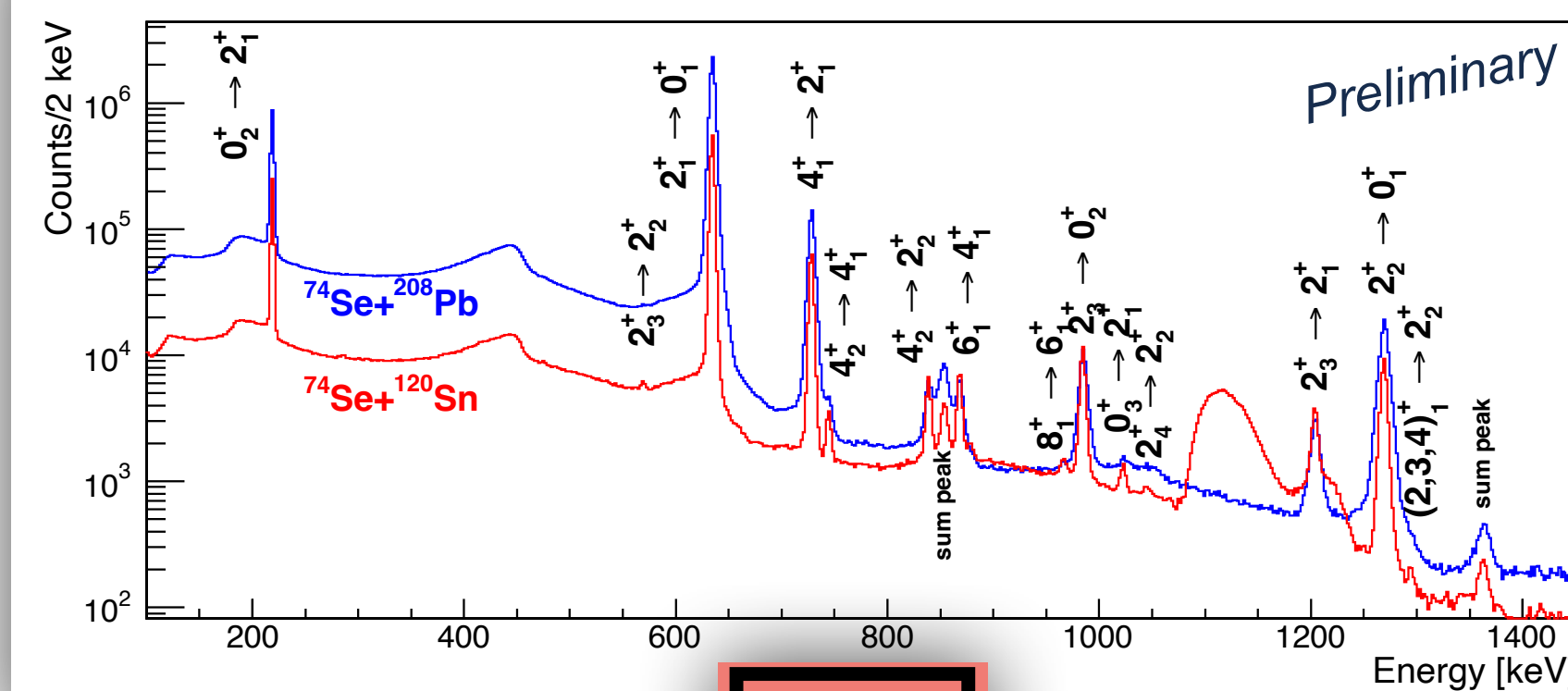
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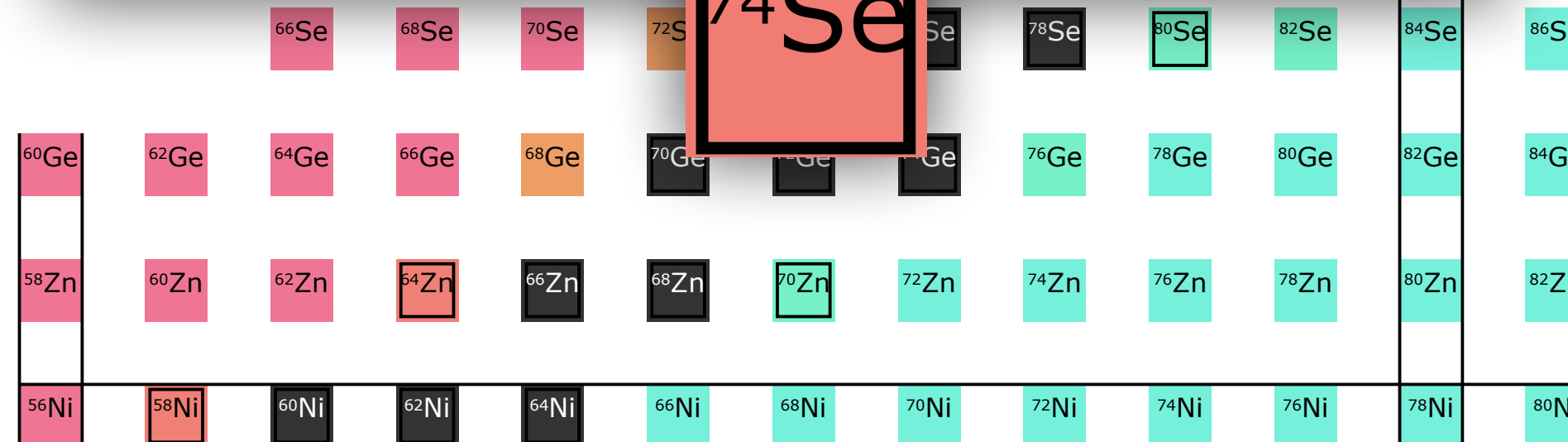
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- First Coulex campaign with AGATA and SPIDER successfully performed in October 2022
- Investigated nuclei: ^{74}Se , ^{96}Zr , ^{110}Cd

^{74}Se on ^{208}Pb , ^{120}Sn | SPs: W. Korten, K. Wrzosek-Lipska, E. Clement



^{74}Se



AGATA+SPIDER 2nd and 3rd Campaign

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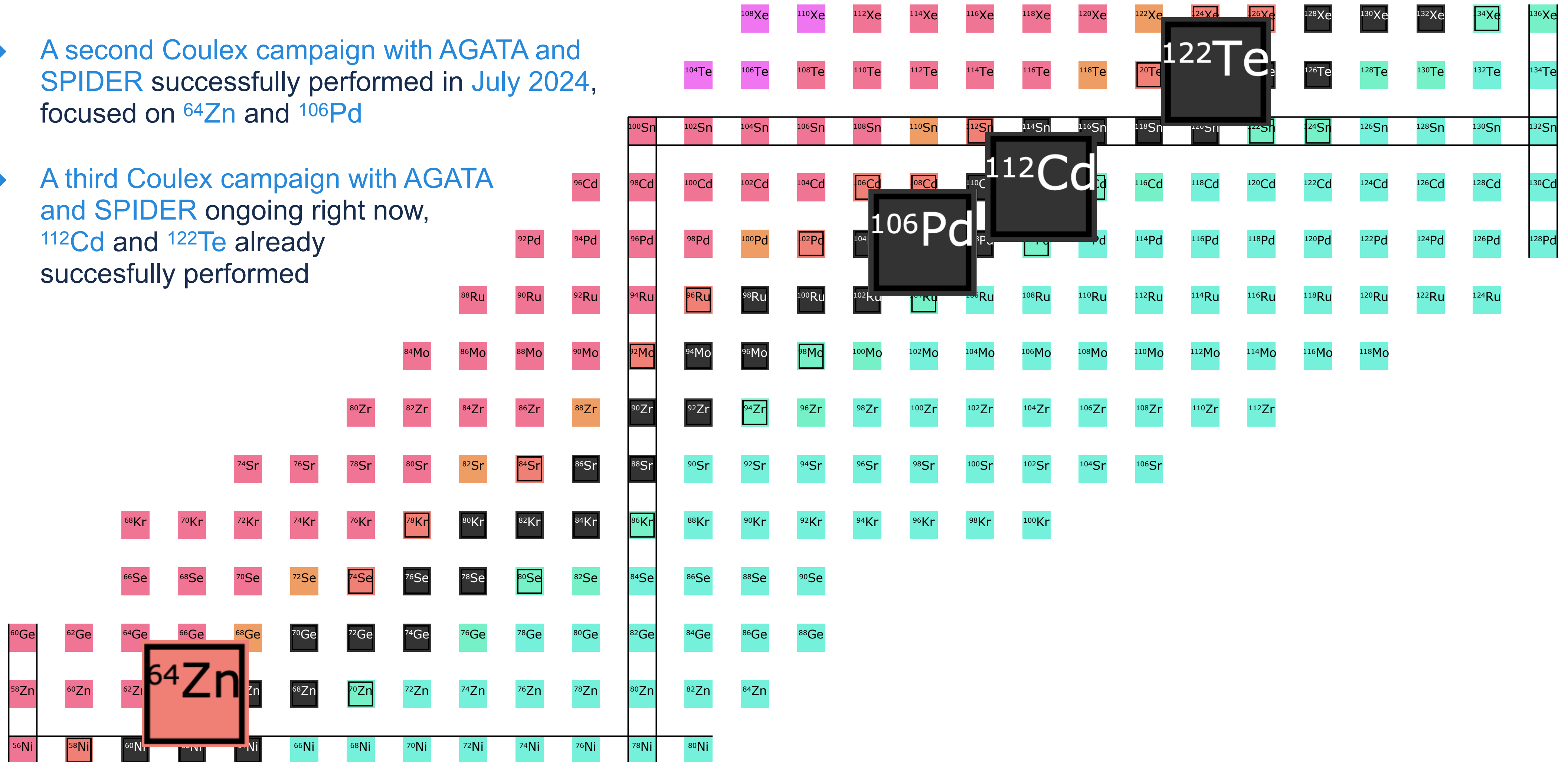
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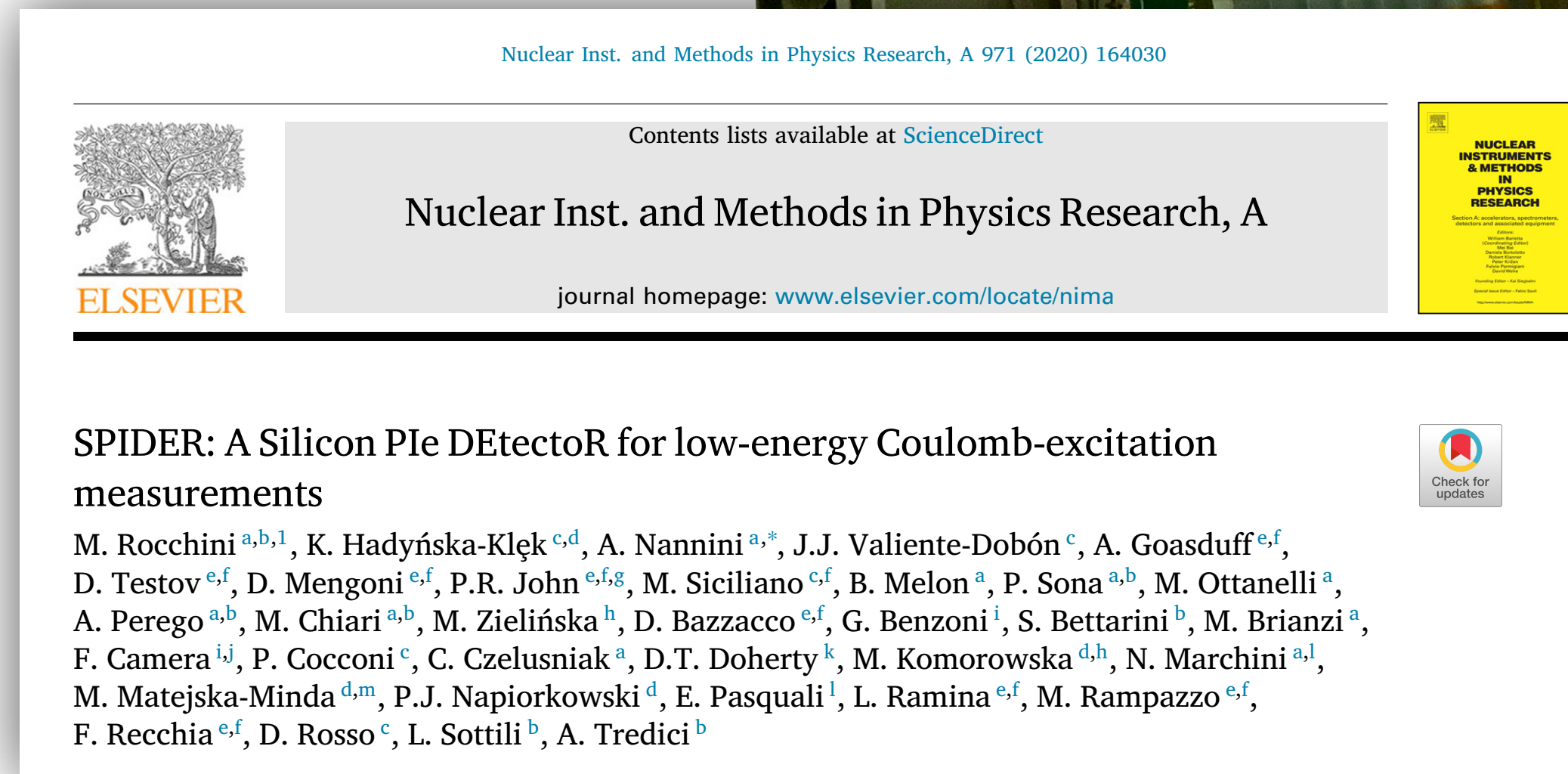
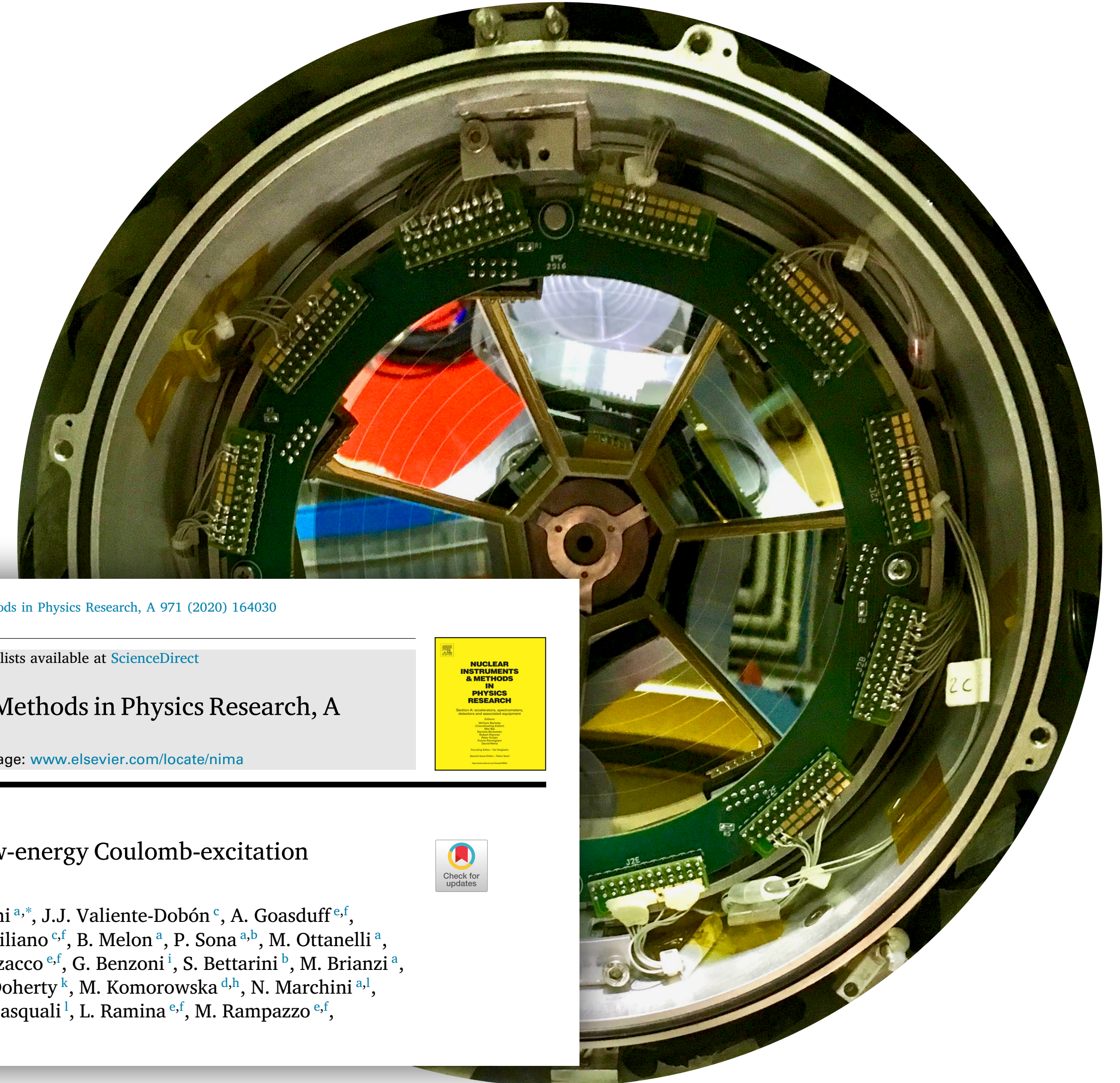
- ▶ A second Coulex campaign with AGATA and SPIDER successfully performed in July 2024, focused on ⁶⁴Zn and ¹⁰⁶Pd

- ▶ A third Coulex campaign with AGATA and SPIDER ongoing right now, ¹¹²Cd and ¹²²Te already successfully performed



Summary

- ▶ SPIDER is a segment, modular silicon detector designed for low-energy Coulomb excitation measurements with modern γ -ray spectrometers
- ▶ The detector is characterized by an excellent energy resolution, which makes it possible to take into account the target thickness in the Doppler correction of the γ -ray energy
- ▶ We studied radiation damage and pulse height correlations for our applications
- ▶ The detector is “as simple as possible”, making it a very reliable instrument (100% success rate)





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