

Recent developments and research projects at the low-energy RI beam facility CRIB

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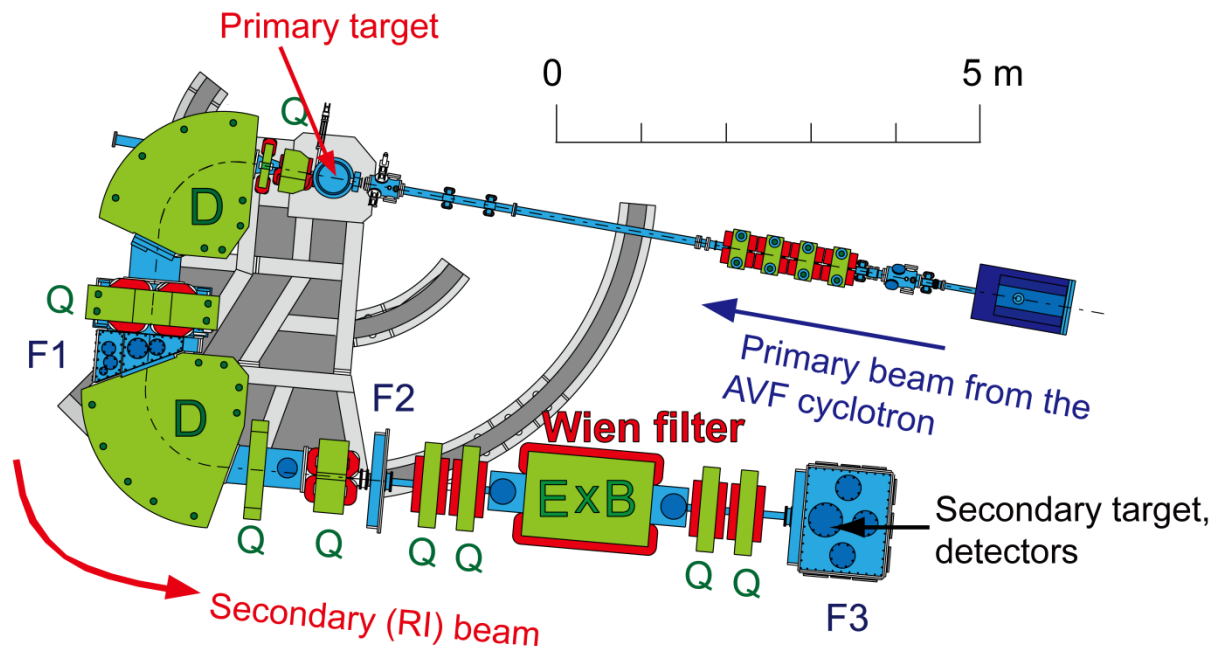
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McMaster (Canada), CIAE, IMP (China), Chung-Ang, Ehwa, SNU
(Korea), INFN Padova/Catania (Italy), IOP(Vietnam) and others.

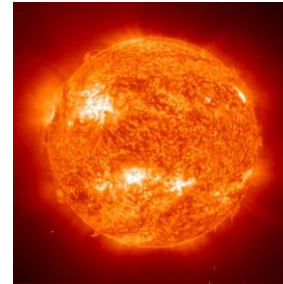
CRIB

- **CNS Radio-Isotope Beam separator**, operated by **CNS** (Univ. of Tokyo), located at **RIBF** (RIKEN Nishina Center).
 - ◆ **Low-energy(<10MeV/u) RI beams** by in-flight method.
 - ◆ Primary beam from K=70 AVF cyclotron.
 - ◆ Momentum (Magnetic rigidity) separation by “double achromatic” system, and velocity separation by a Wien filter.
 - ◆ Orbit radius: 90 cm, solid angle: 5.6 msr, momentum resolution: 1/850.

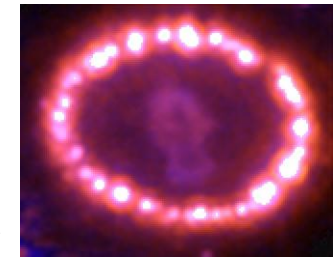


Why low-energy RI beam?

- Stellar astrophysical reactions :
T ~ 10^6 - 10^9 K (typically **keV to a few MeV**).
⇒ **Low** energy is not **bad** energy!
It is an **advantage** for nuclear astrophysics and structure study.



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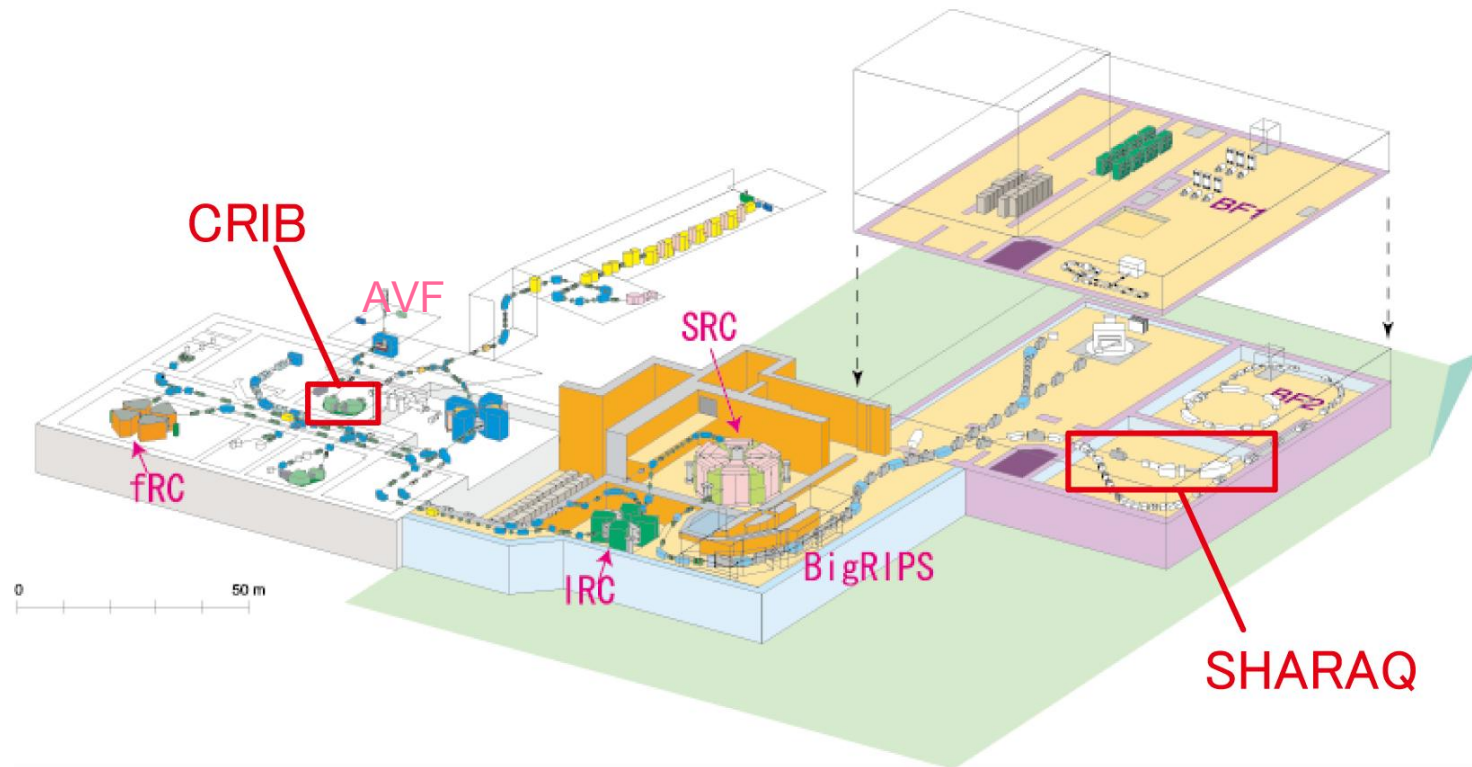


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- Nucleosynthesis proceeds through **unstable nuclei** in some processes (p-p chain, CNO cycle, r-, rp-, processes etc.)

CRIB in RIBF

- AVF alone, operation cost $\sim 1/10$ of BigRIPS.
- Ion source / AVF/ CRIB...have been developed under CNS-RIKEN collaboration (joint venture).

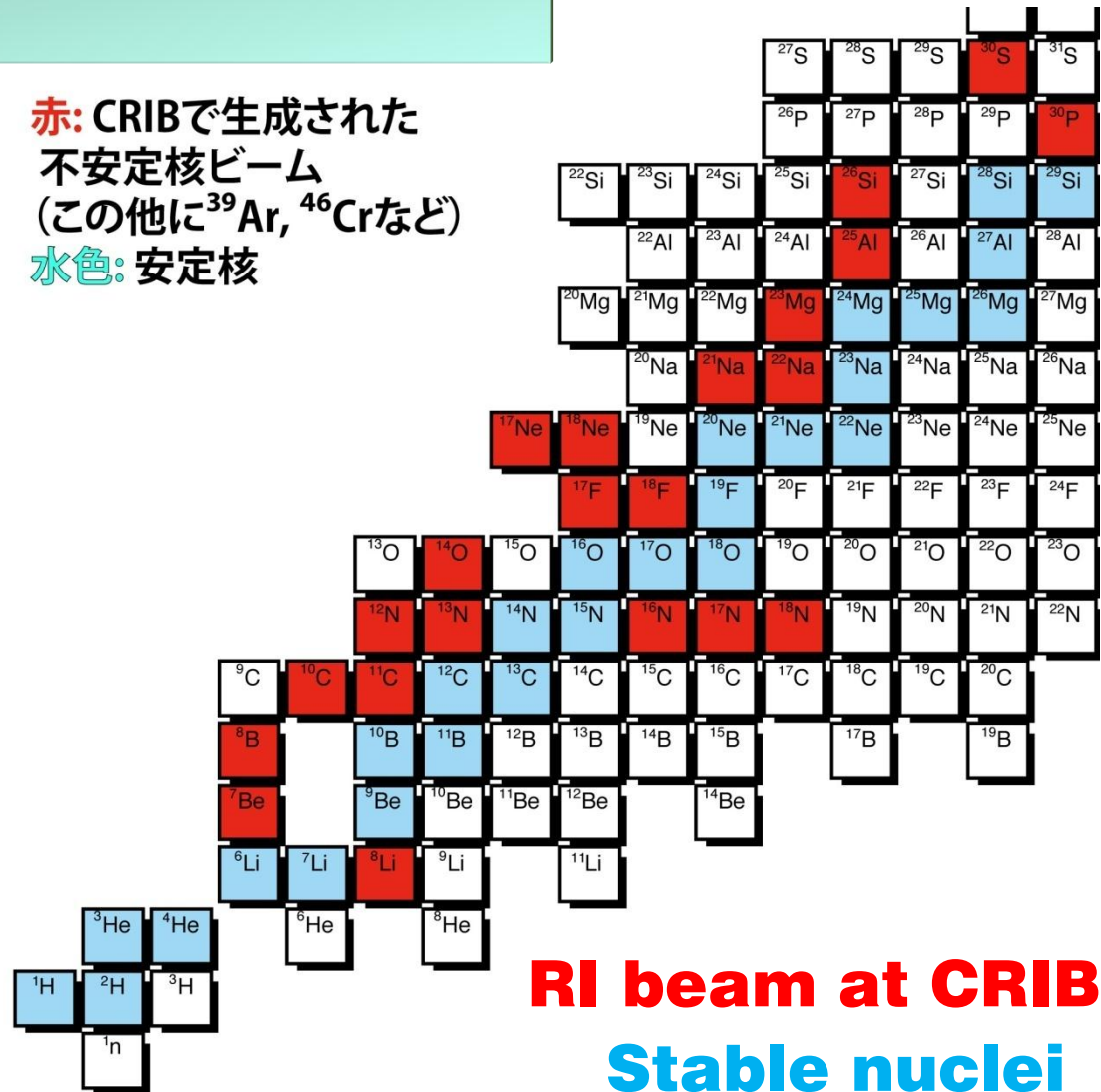


Low-Energy RI beam Productions at CRIB

Direct reactions such as (p,n), (d,p) and (³He,n) in inverse kinematics are mainly used for the production....large cross section

Many RI beams have been produced at CRIB: typically 10⁴-10⁶ pps

赤: CRIBで生成された不安定核ビーム
(この他に³⁹Ar, ⁴⁶Crなど)
水色: 安定核



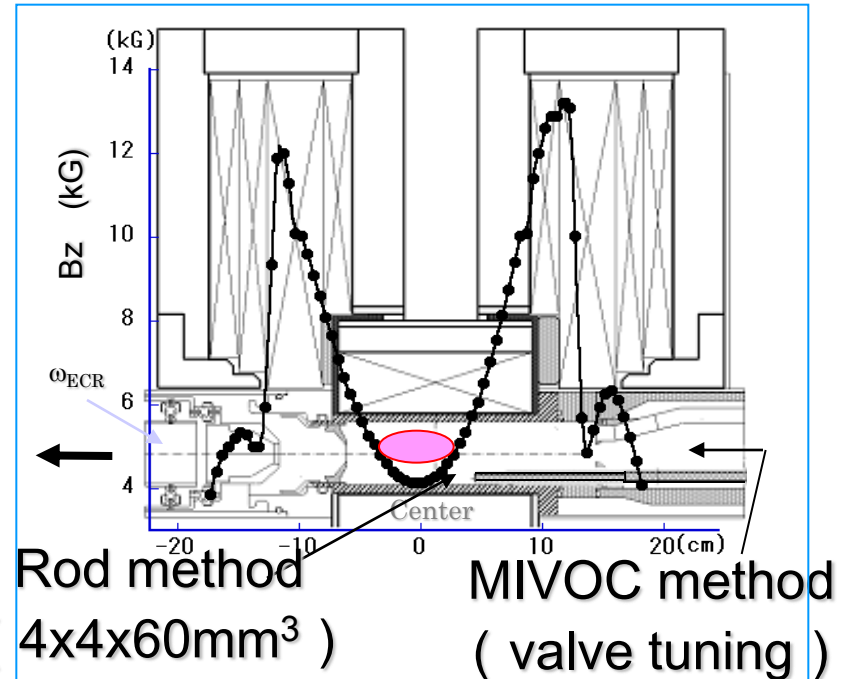
RI beam at CRIB /
Stable nuclei

Recent developments at CNS/CRIB

- **Ion source** more intense / new beams (${}^6\text{Li}$, ${}^{42}\text{Ca}$),
- **Accelerator/Beam line** “Core monitor” for non-destructive readout of the beam current
S. Watanabe et al., NIM A (2011).
- **Cryogenic target** Used in most of experiments.
H. Yamaguchi et al., NIM A (2008).
- **Wien filter** Improvement of insulators, monitoring system.
- **Active target (GEM-MSTPC)** Used in (α ,p) reaction measurements.

Metal ion production at HyperECR... by Y. Ohshiro (CNS)

◆ For stable ion extraction...crucible position is important



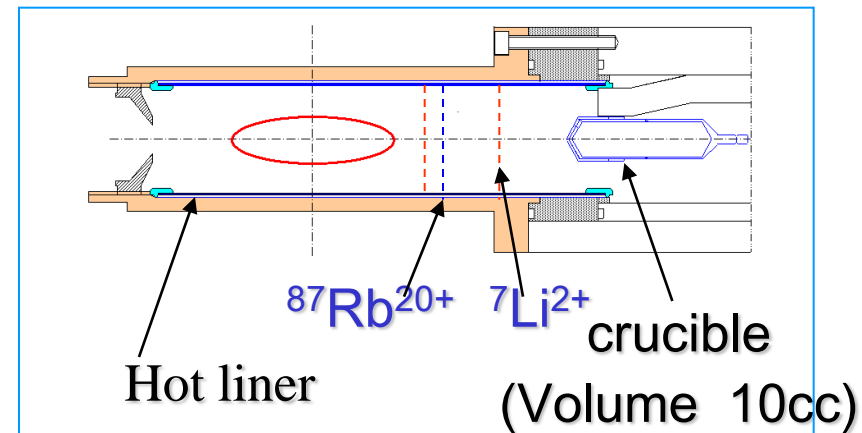
◆ Using a crucible with many exit holes

- Holes: $\Phi 2 \text{ mm} \times 5$

- Crucible Positioning At first, move it close to ECR zone to heat, then move it back.

 - $\Rightarrow {}^7\text{Li}^{2+}$ stable production at $\sim 40\text{mm}$

 - $\Rightarrow {}^{87}\text{Rb}^{20+}$ at stable production $\sim 15\text{mm}$



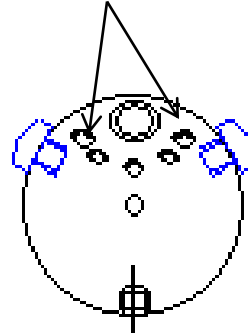
Dewar crucible with multiple holes

◆ Important points:

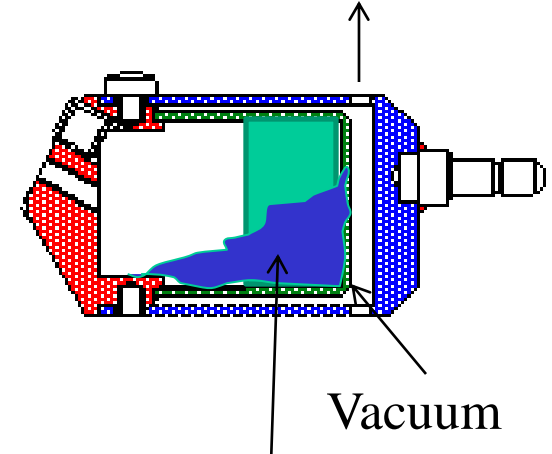
Multiple Holes...helps stable ion extraction.

Dewar...Temperature stable

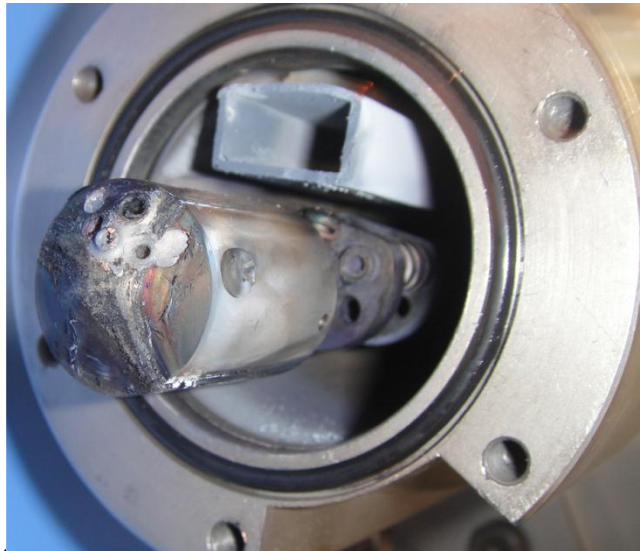
exit holes



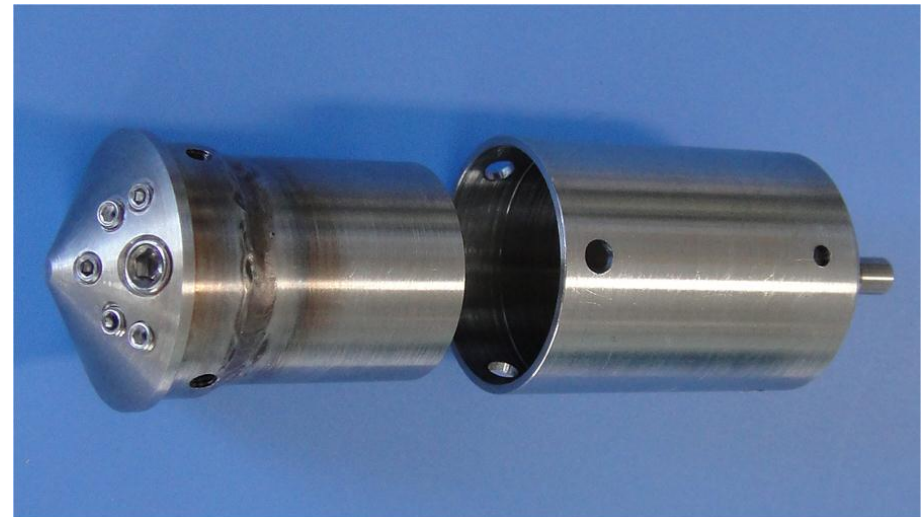
evacuation



Melted lithium

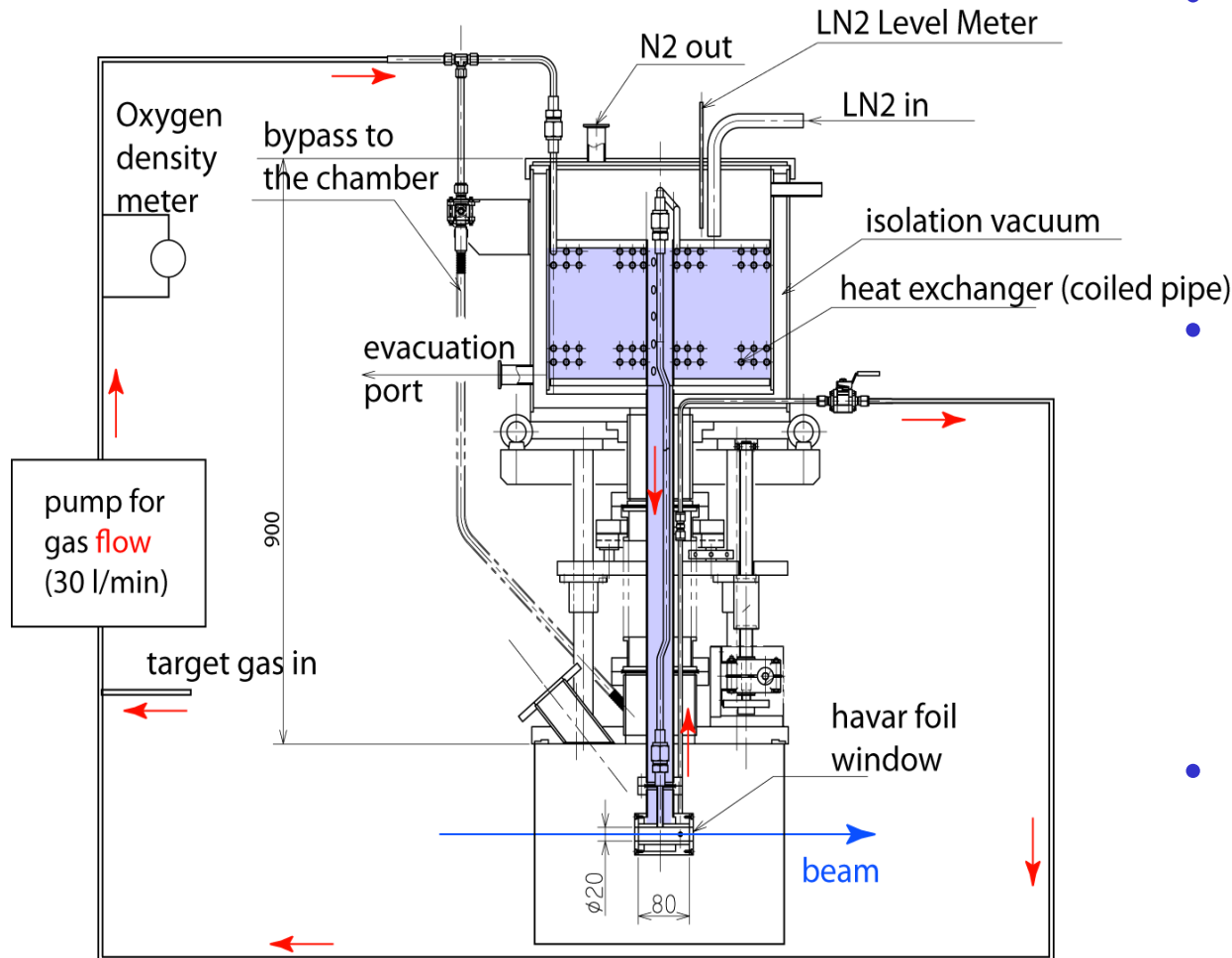


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Dewar crucible

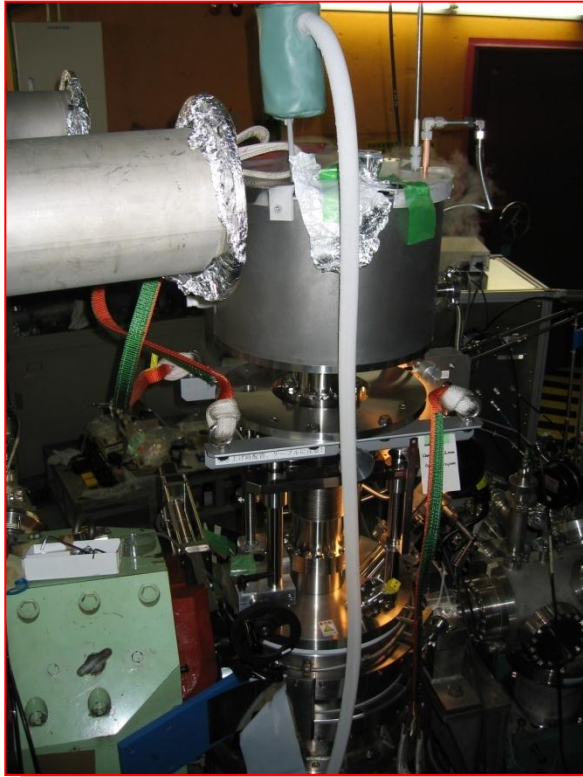
Cryogenic target: design



Features:

- Lq. N₂ cooling (automatic refill) for the better cooling power (~100 W) and thicker target.
- Forced target gas flow (>30 l/min) to have a better cooling, and to avoid target thickness reduction by the high-current beam.
- Oxygen density monitoring

Intense secondary beam production using cryogenic gas target



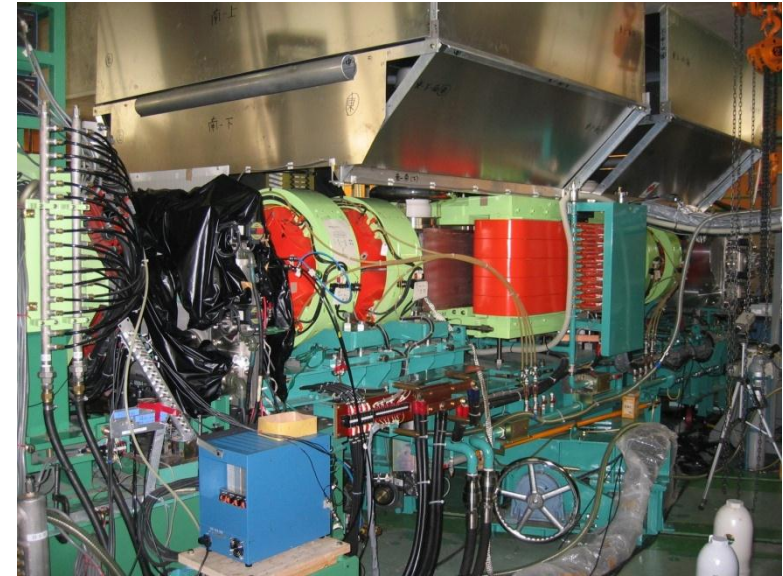
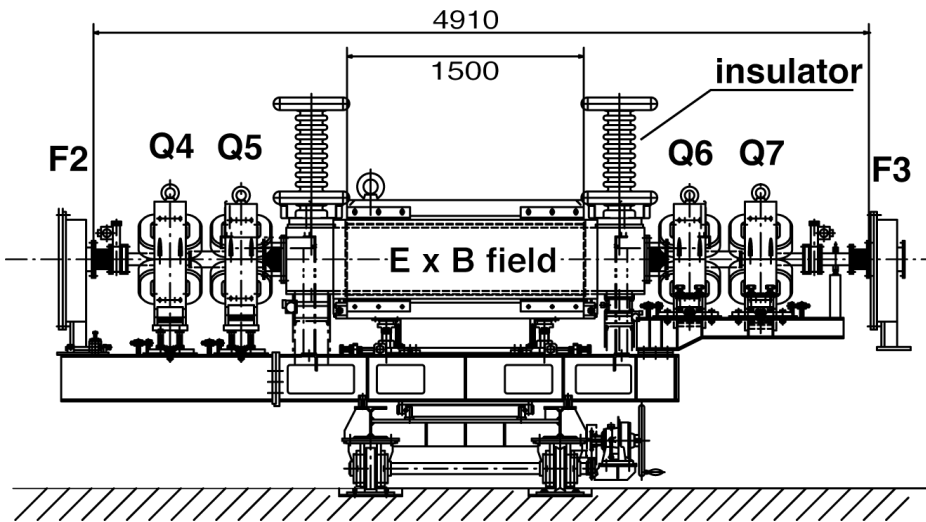
- H_2 gas target of 760 Torr and 80 mm-long worked at 85K stably for a ${}^7\text{Li}^{2+}$ beam of 1.3 μA . (which deposits heat of 7.4W).
- Secondary beam: ${}^7\text{Be}^{4+}$ at 4.0 MeV/u, purity 75% (without degrader/ WF),
 2×10^8 pps was achieved.

H. Yamaguchi et al., NIMA (2008)



Price of ${}^3\text{He}$ gas became 10 times higher in the last 4 years....a recycling system for ${}^3\text{He}$ gas was built.

Wien filter



- 1.5 m-long **HV electrodes**, 8 cm distant from each other, ± 200 kV applicable (stable up to ± 120 kV), horizontal E field.
- **Dipole magnet**, max. 0.3 T vertical magnetic field.
- Spending much effort for the **stabilization against discharge**.

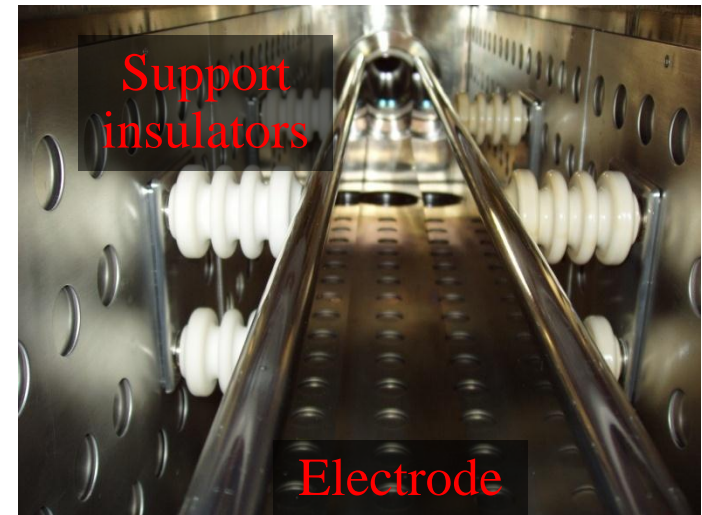
Improvement on the insulators



- The ceramic insulators for the negative high voltage had black trails of discharges. (due to small fragments on the surface?)

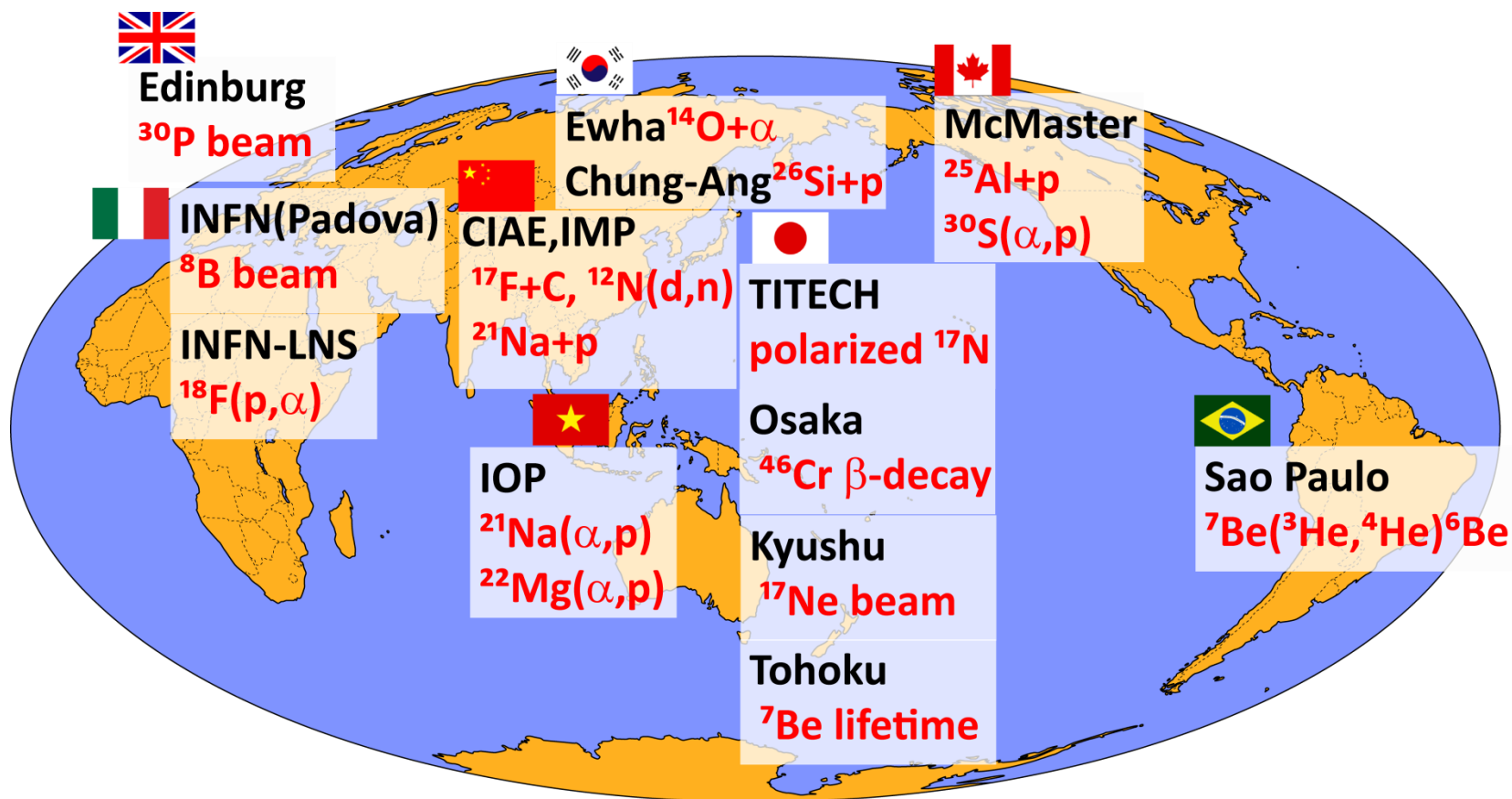
Recent works:

- Water-jet cleaning.
- A new type of high-voltage capable insulator (Kyocera).



International collaborations at CRIB

- CRIB experiments performed in 2007-2011, by collaborated members of CNS and other institutes:



Research projects (2010-)

•Proton/alpha resonant scattering

✓²⁶Si+p (Collaborated with Chung-Ang, Korea) H.S. Jung et al., published at PRC (2012).

✓⁷Li/⁷Be+α (CNS) H. Yamaguchi et al., PRC (2011).

✓²¹Na+p, ²²Na+p [¹⁸Ne(α,p), Ne-Na cycle] (IMP/CIAE, China)

✓¹⁷F+p [Resonances for ¹⁴O(α,p)](IMP/CIAE, China) ←Latest measurement in June!

•(α,p) reaction measurement, Active target (GEM-MSTPC)

✓¹⁸Ne(α,p) (CNS, Hashimoto (now at RCNP))

✓³⁰S(α,p) (CNS, Daid Kahl)

✓²²Mg(α,p) (IOP, Vietnam , Nguyen Ngoc Duy)

✓⁴⁴Ti(α,p) (KEK, Ishiyama) ... ⁴⁴Ti beam test in May successful.

•(α,γ)

¹⁶N⇒¹⁶O*⇒¹²C+α for ¹²C(α,γ) (Catania, Italy, S. Cherubini)

•Reaction mechanism

✓⁸B+Pb (Padova, Italy, C. Signorini)

•β-decay

✓⁷Be lifetime in metal (Tohoku Univ, Otsuki)

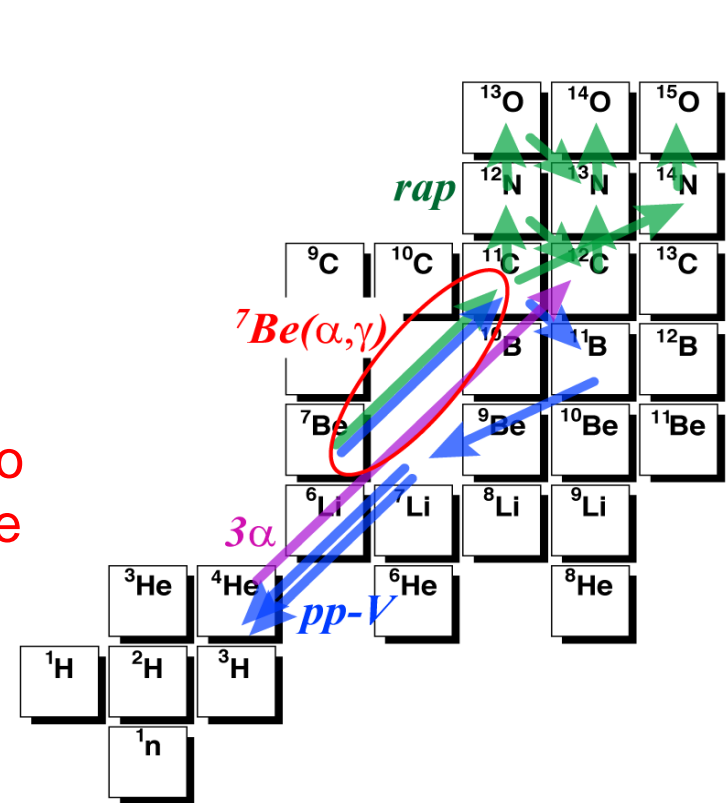
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New project: industrial application of ⁷Be...
A. Yoshida-san's talk

${}^7\text{Li}+\alpha/{}^7\text{Be}+\alpha$ study

- ${}^7\text{Li}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{11}\text{B}$...important at high-T, as a production reaction of ${}^{11}\text{B}$ (the ν -process in core-collapse supernovae).
- ${}^7\text{Be}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{11}\text{B}$... one of the reaction in **hot p - p chain**, relevant at high-T. νp -process calculation predicts a contribution for the synthesis of carbon as much as the triple- α process.
- α -cluster structure in ${}^{11}\text{B}/{}^{11}\text{C}$:
 - $2\alpha+t / 2\alpha+{}^3\text{He}$ cluster states are known to exist (similar to the dilute cluster structure in ${}^{12}\text{C}$.)
 - Several “bands” which have α -cluster structure could be formed. We can study the band and cluster structure more in detail.

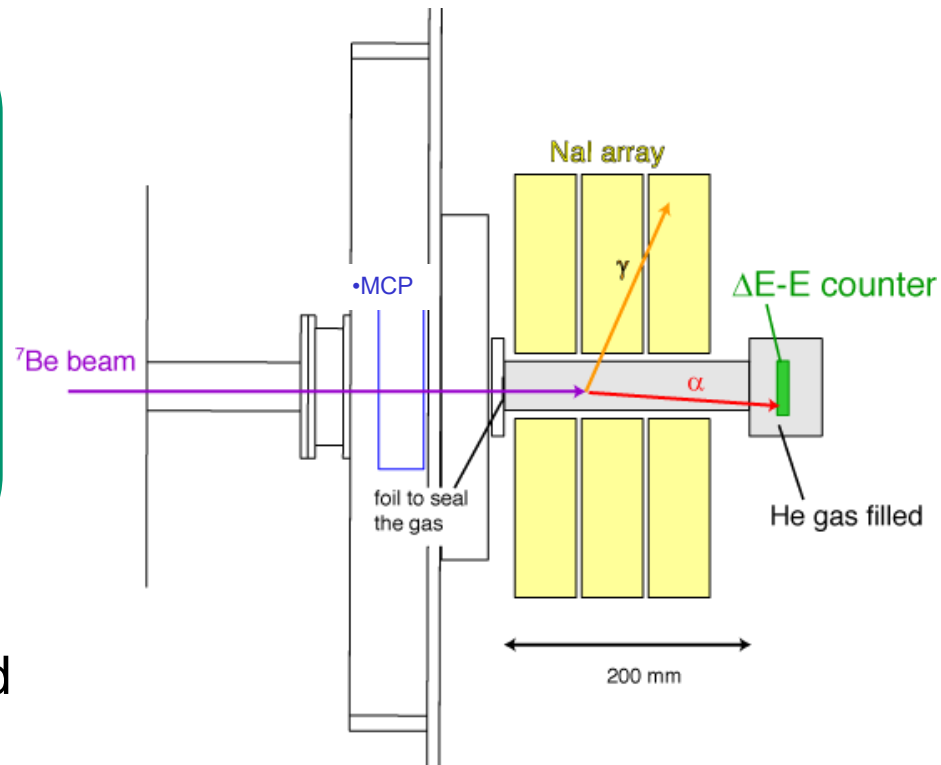


${}^7\text{Li}/{}^7\text{Be}+\alpha$; method

◆ “Thick target with inverse kinematics” Resonant elastic scatterings can be measured at $\theta_{\text{cm}}=180$ deg.

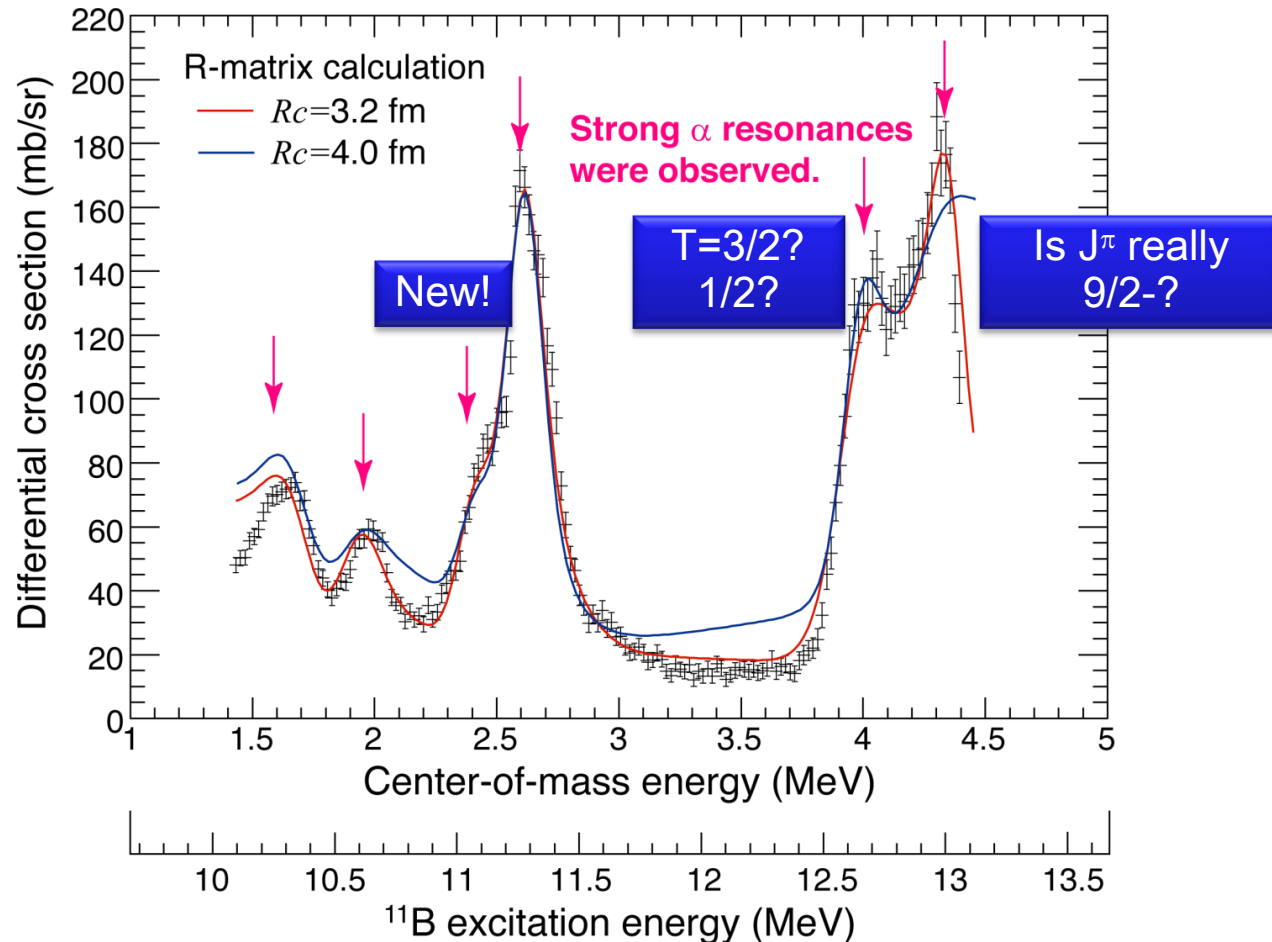
- ${}^{11}\text{C}+p$; T. Teranishi et al., Phys. Lett. B (2003).
- ${}^{13}\text{N}+p$; T. Teranishi et al., Phys. Lett. B (2007).
- ${}^{21}\text{Na}+p$, ${}^{22}\text{Mg}+p$; J.J. He et al, Eur Phys. J (2008) and Phys. Rev. C (2007).
- ${}^7\text{Be}+p$; H. Yamaguchi et al., Phys. Lett. B (2009).

◆ We applied the method for proton +RI beams, but how good it can work for alphas?
(Especially for light nuclei, where Z is not much different from 2.)



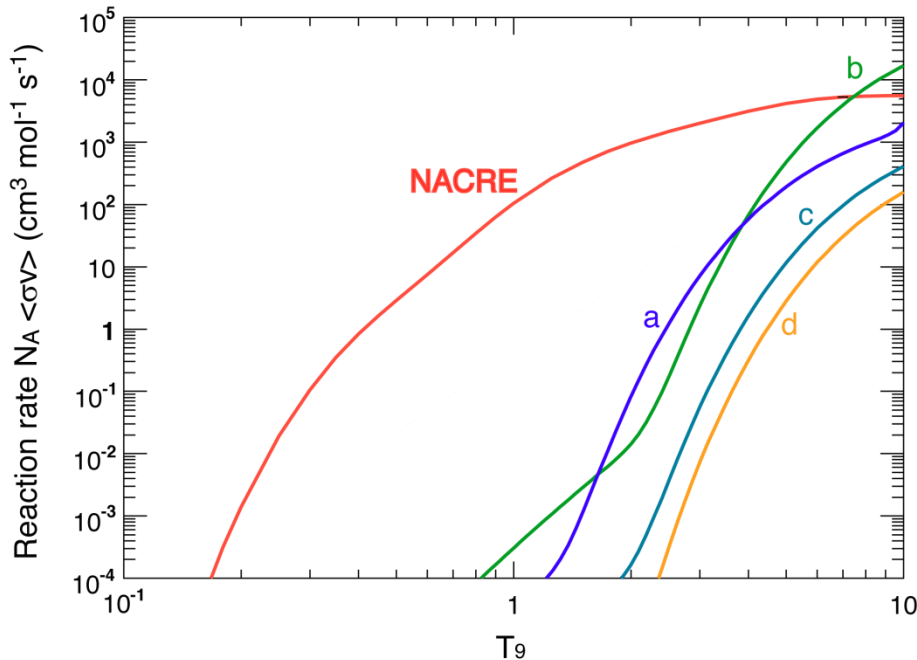
${}^7\text{Li}+\alpha$ result

- Strong alpha resonances were successfully observed, and we determined the α widths (Γ_α). *H. Yamaguchi et al., Phys Rev. C (2011).*



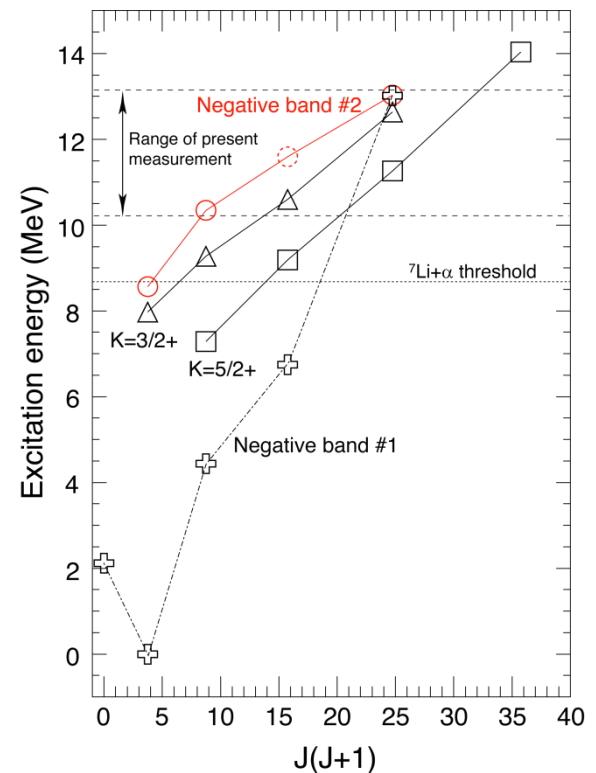
${}^7\text{Li}+\alpha$; results

- Resonant reaction rates for the observed resonances are compared with NACRE evaluation (including resonances below 11 MeV).



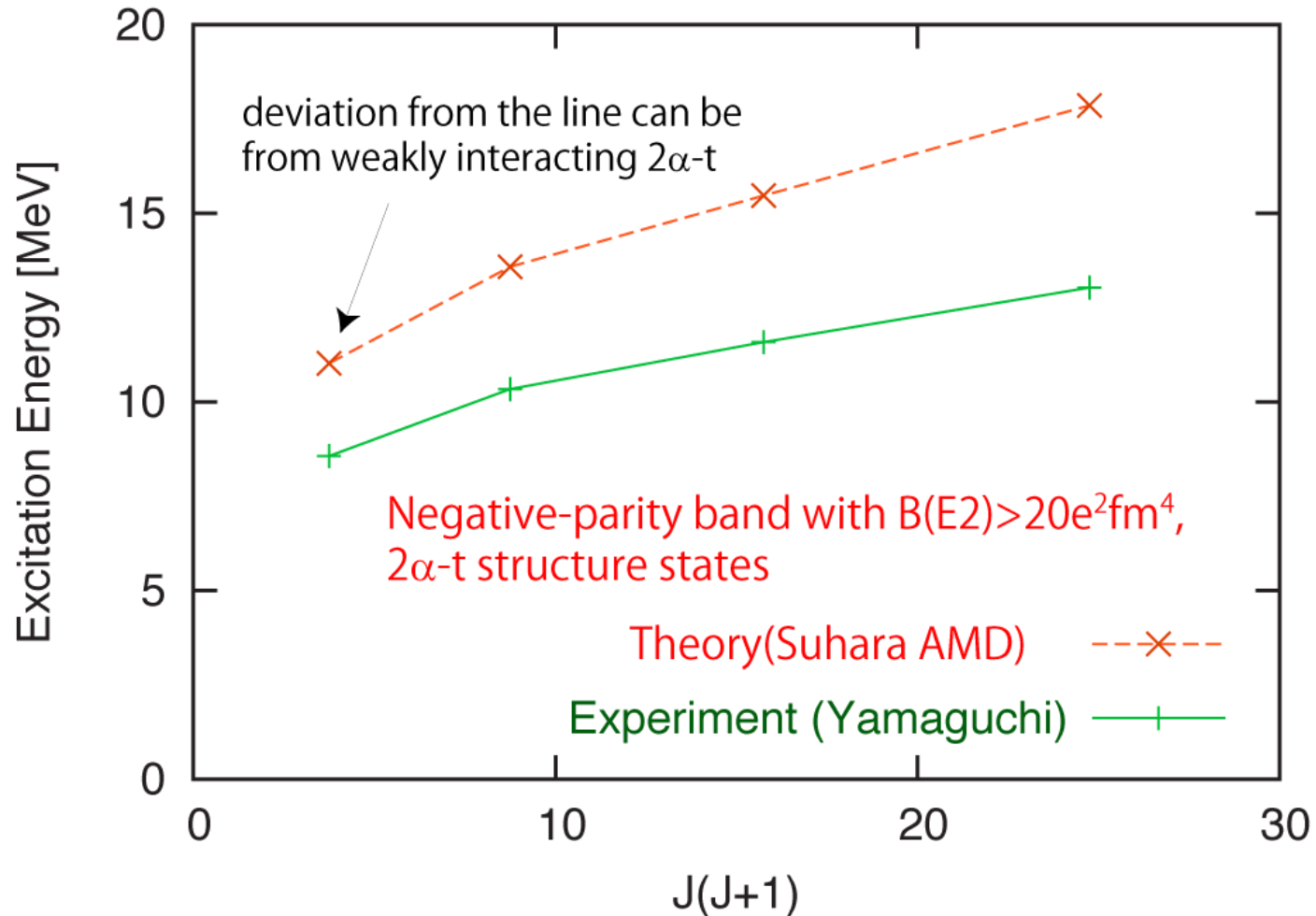
Conclusion: No need to modify NACRE evaluation (for $T_9 < 5$).

- Newly proposed a negative parity band.
 - It may not be a simple rotational band, but corresponds to a 2α -t structure [AMD Calc. by Suhara & En'yo]



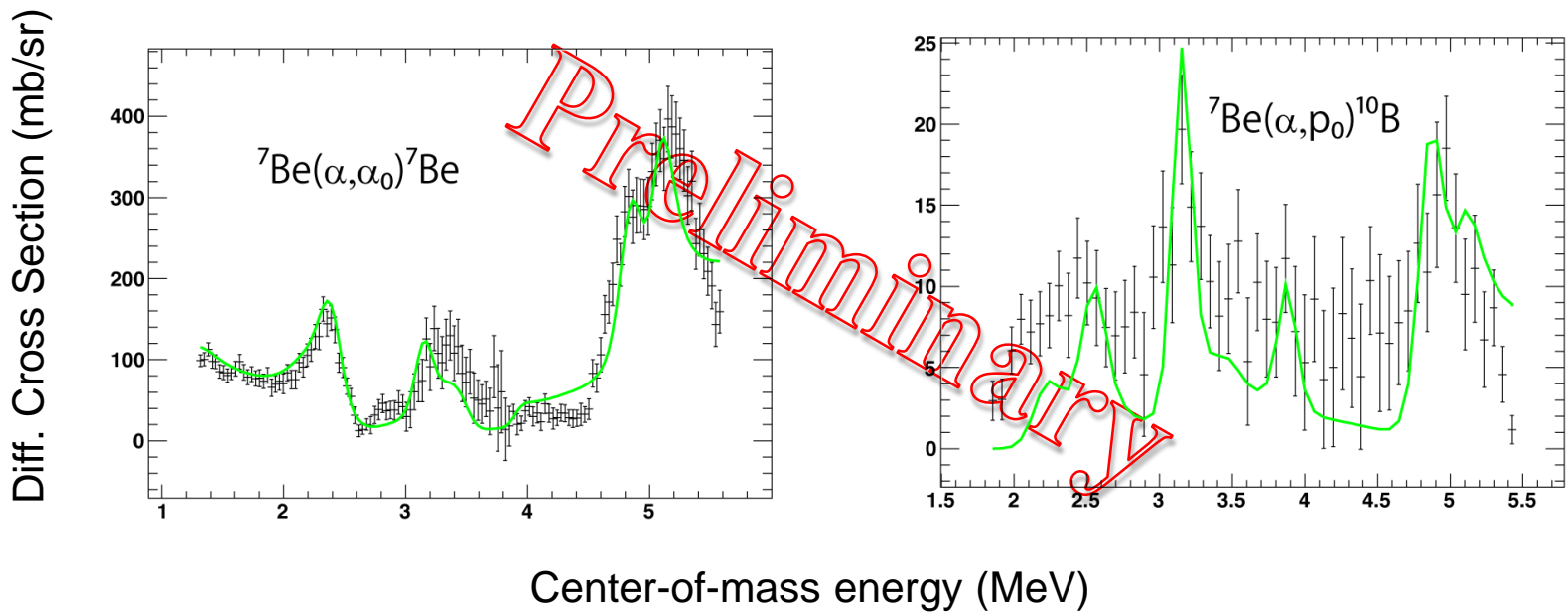
Interpretation of the new negative-parity band

Suhara & En'yo PRC (2012)



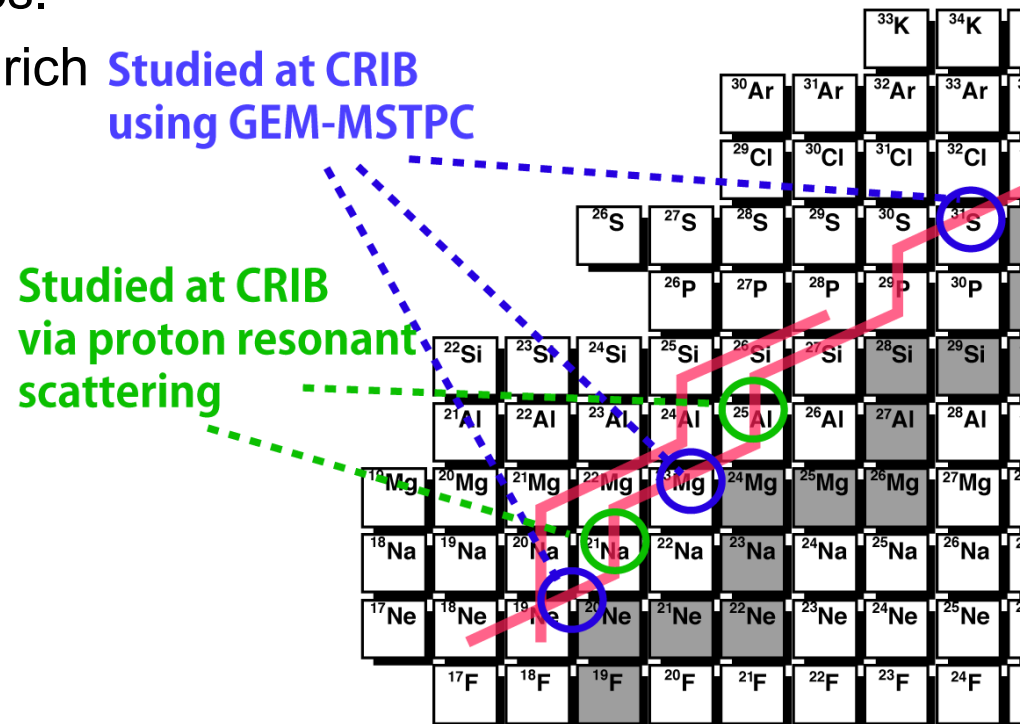
${}^7\text{Be}+\alpha$ Excitation functions

- Excitation functions of ${}^7\text{Be}(\alpha,\alpha)$ and ${}^7\text{Be}(\alpha,p)$ were obtained.
- ${}^7\text{Be}(\alpha,p)$...consistent with previous ${}^{10}\text{B}(p,\alpha)$ measurements.
- R-matrix analysis in progress....bringing new information on resonant widths, spin, and parity. **Many resonant parameters are still unknown in such unstable nuclei.**

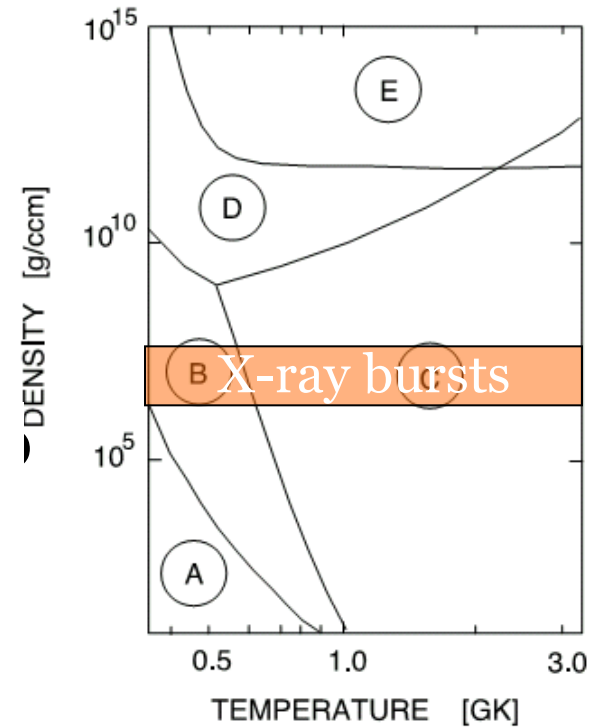
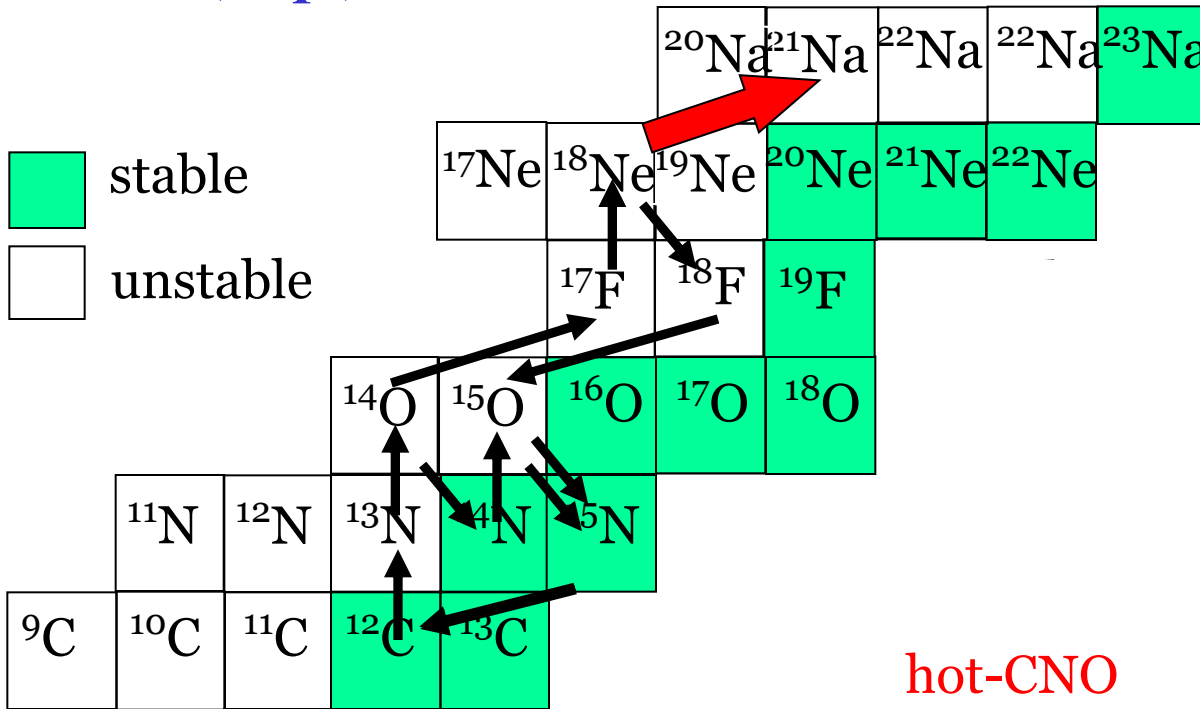


Study on the α p-process

- α p-process: (α,p) , (p,γ) reactions occur faster than β -decay at high temperature. Accelerates the rp-process (Wallace and Woosley, 1981).
- **Suitable objective for CRIB**
 - ◆ Not many direct measurements of (α,p) reactions have been performed in other facilities.
 - ◆ Involves $A=18-30$, proton rich unstable nuclei.
 - ◆ $T=1.5\text{GK}$, close to the beam energy at CRIB.



$^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)$ (T. Hashimoto; RCNP)

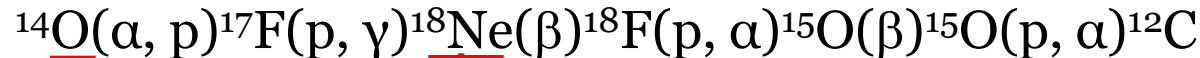


hot-CNO

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second hot CNO cycle

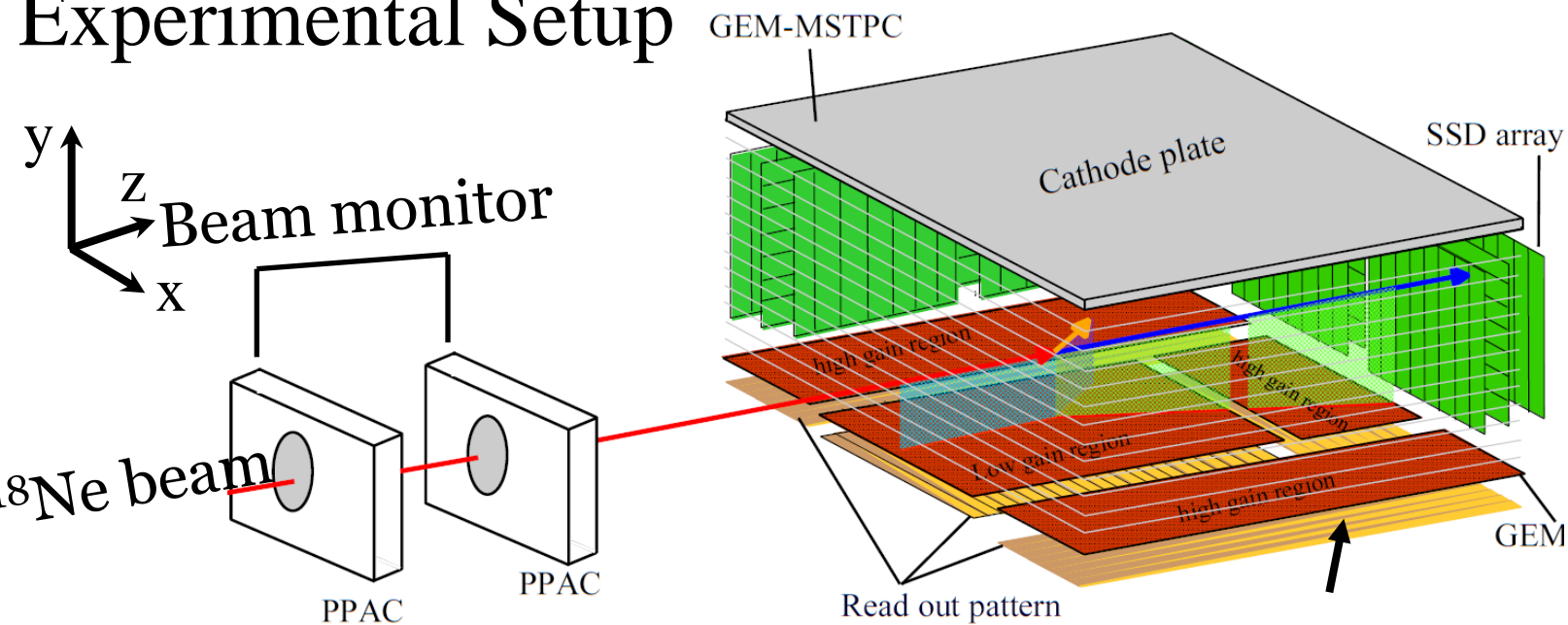


$^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$ is an important breakout reaction from hot-CNO cycle to the rp-process (B to C in the figure)

Relevant energy (temperature):

$E_{\text{cm}} = 0.5 - 3.8 \text{ MeV (} T = 0.6 - 3 \text{ GK)}.$

Experimental Setup

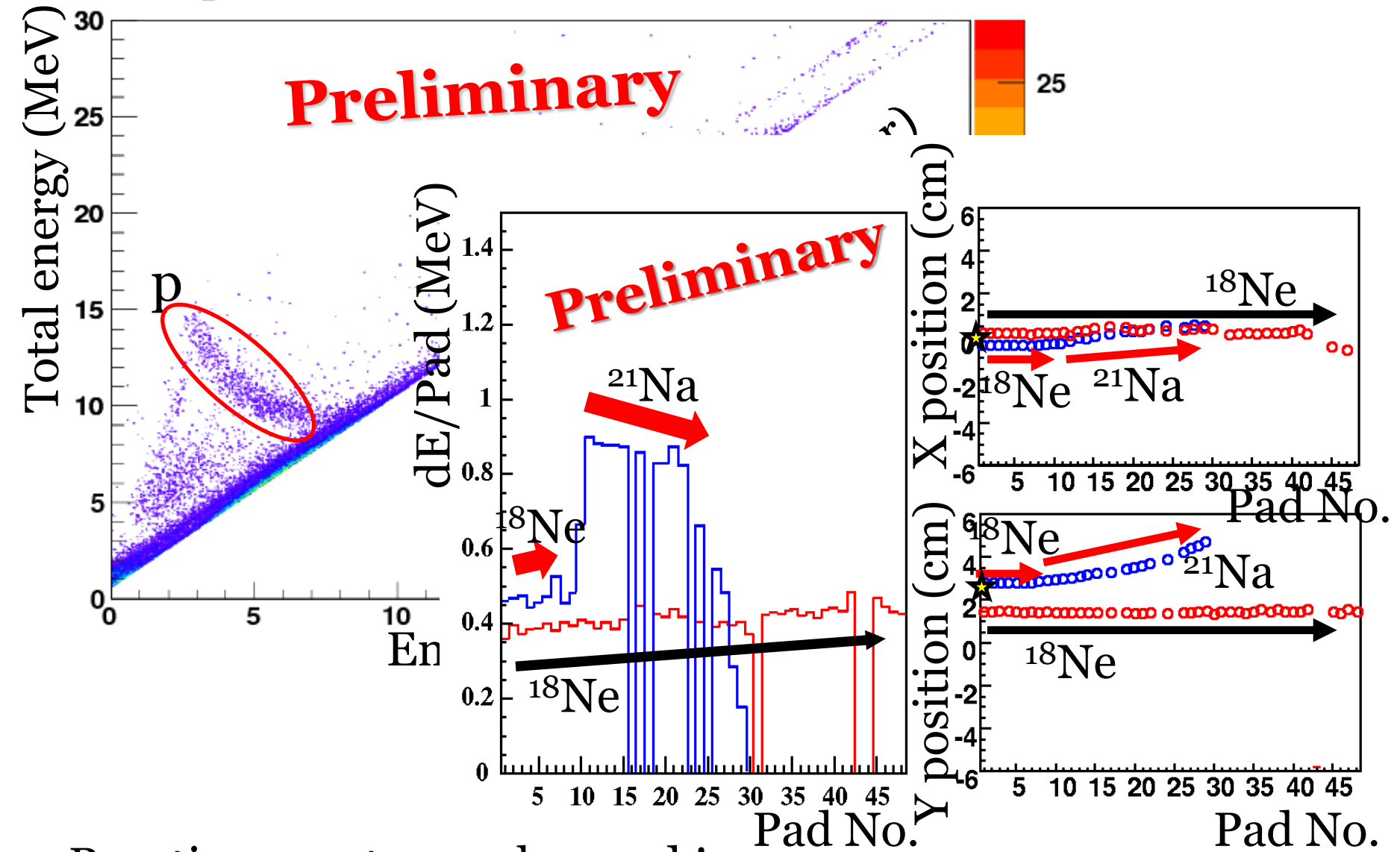


He (90%) + CO₂ (10%)
mixture gas(160 torr)

- Acts as a He target and a detector (TPC) simultaneously
- 3-dimensional trajectory and energy loss can be measured
⇒ Good event identification.

Typical event of $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$ reaction

Si telescopes



Reaction events are observed !

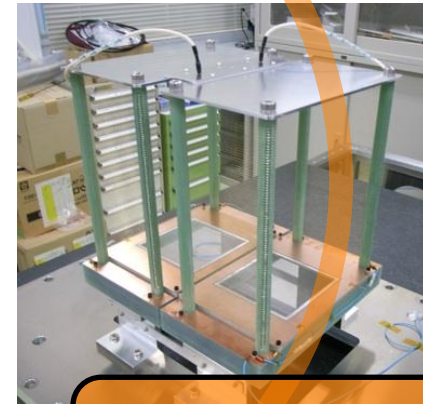
Analysis is in progress ...

Development of Active Targets in CNS

CNS Active Target Dev. Collaboration

•SHARAQ Gr. / Missing
mass spectroscopy Gr.

•Ota, Tokieda, Lee et al.



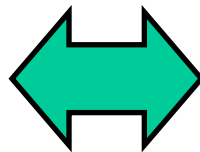
•Astrophysics
Gr.

•Yamaguchi,
Daid, Nakao

•Quark phys.Gr.

•Hamagaki, Gunji,
Yamaguchi, Akimoto,
Sekiguchi et al.

- RIKEN
- Kyoto
- Miyazaki
- MSU



Active target at SHARAQ group

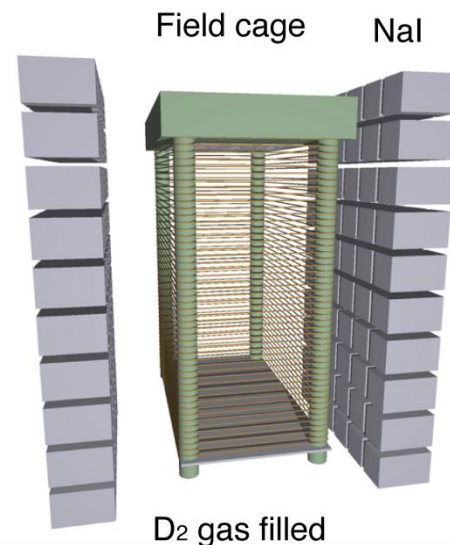
Physics Motivation:

(d,d') reaction at the forward angle

Giant Monopole Resonance/Gamow-Teller transition

Design:

- Angular coverage from 1 deg to 10 deg in c.m. frame with insensitive region around 4 deg corresponding to the inactive region between field cage and NaI
- Range and angular resolution are designed to be 0.4 mm and 30 mrad, which corresponds to 1-MeV excitation energy resolution



See S. Ota's poster

Summary

- CRIB is a low-energy RI beam facility operated by CNS, University of Tokyo, providing RI beams of good intensity and purity.
- Developments for RI beams....ion source, target, Wien filter
- Standard experiments: Proton/alpha resonant scattering, direct (α,p) reaction measurement using an active target (GEM-MSTPC)
- GEM-MSTPC
 - Has been used in several (α,p) measurements. Developments are on going, to make it a more reliable and stable system.
(avoiding discharges, gating grid, trigger system, DAQ, analysis framework)
- Resonant elastic scattering
 - ${}^7\text{Li}+\alpha, {}^7\text{Be}+\alpha$...strong resonances were observed. The “thick target method with inverse kinematics” could be applied to many nuclides. We can study astrophysical reactions and alpha-cluster structures.

We welcome your new ideas!