

# Reduction factor study at large isospin asymmetry using the $(\alpha, \alpha p)$ reaction (NP2212-SAMURAI64R1)

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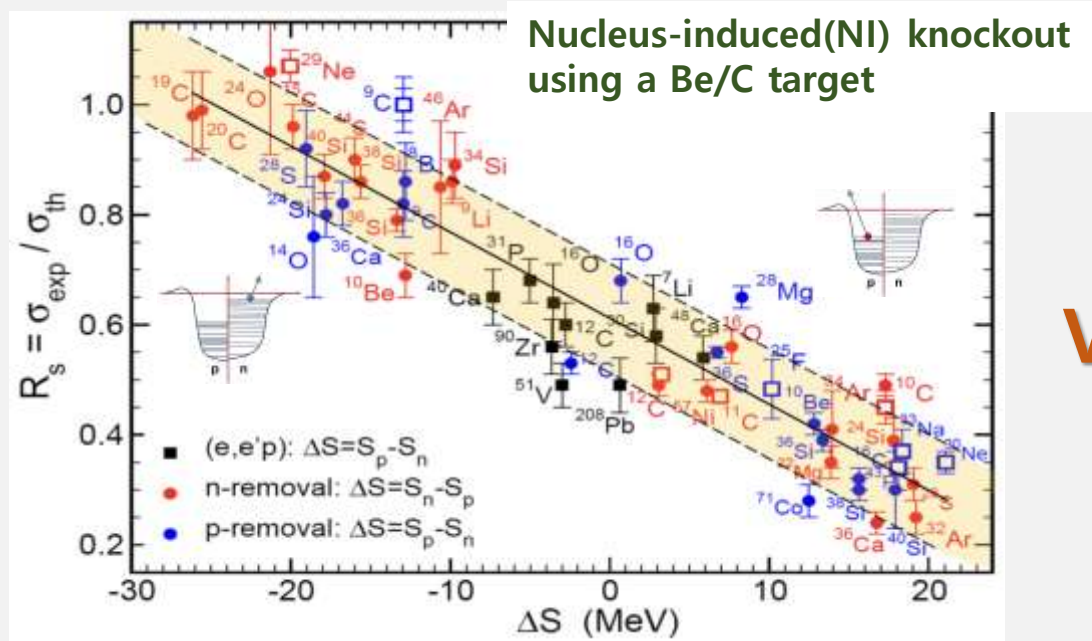
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5.0 days (including 0.5 days for the BigRIPS tuning)

The resubmitted proposal is better focused on the most critical cases of O isotopes. A consistent theoretical approach is now presented, which shows a clear goal of the measurement. Mentioned are also consequences for our understanding of the phenomena using two different wave function shapes: WS vs GF and their difficulties when nuclear removal is considered in a nucleus-induced knock-out reactions. The experimental setup was modified according to the availability of new and most suitable detectors. The NP-PAC recognizes the importance of clarifying the reduction factor dependence on the isospin asymmetry and therefore grants 5 days with grade A to this proposal, and at the same time prioritizes the  $^{14}\text{O}$  and  $^{24}\text{O}$  measurements as the most essential ones.

- Spokesperson: Sunji Kim  
Co-Spokesperson: Yohei Matsuda (Konan Univ.)
- 9 days for  $^{14,22,24}\text{O}$  proposed  
→ 5 days approved, with priority given to  $^{14,24}\text{O}$
- **Rough plan**
  - LHe system construction by summer
  - LHe system test in the SAMURAI area
  - Beamtime request for the experiment to be conducted in the first half of 2026

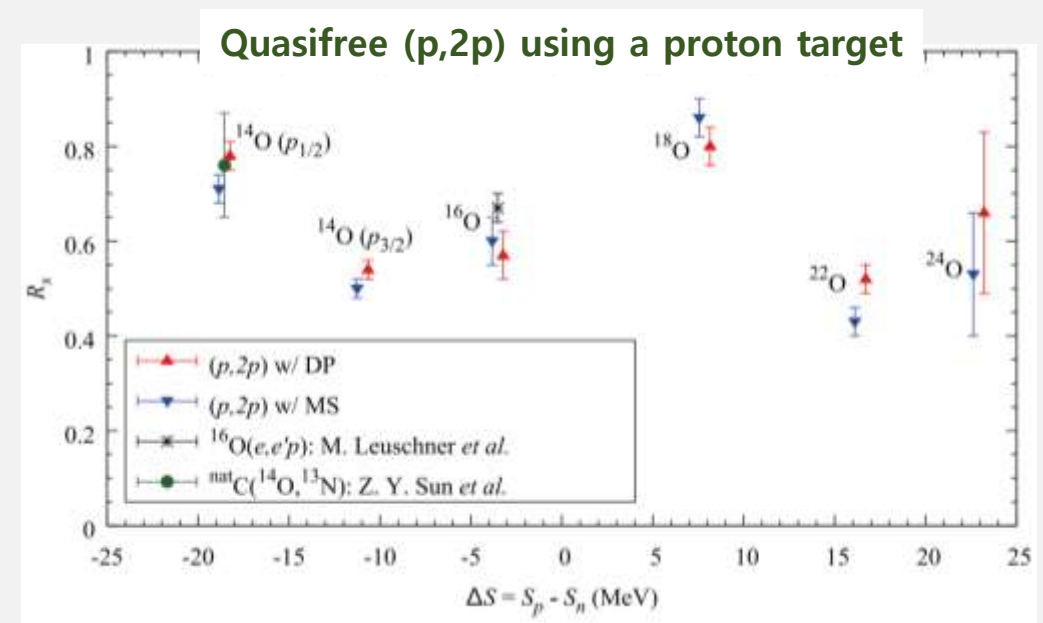
# Motivation

- In a wide range of isospin asymmetry,  $\sigma_{\text{exp}}/\sigma_{\text{th}}$  (**Reduction factors**) of one-nucleon knockout reactions



(J.A Tostevin and A. Gade, PRC 103, 054610 (2021))

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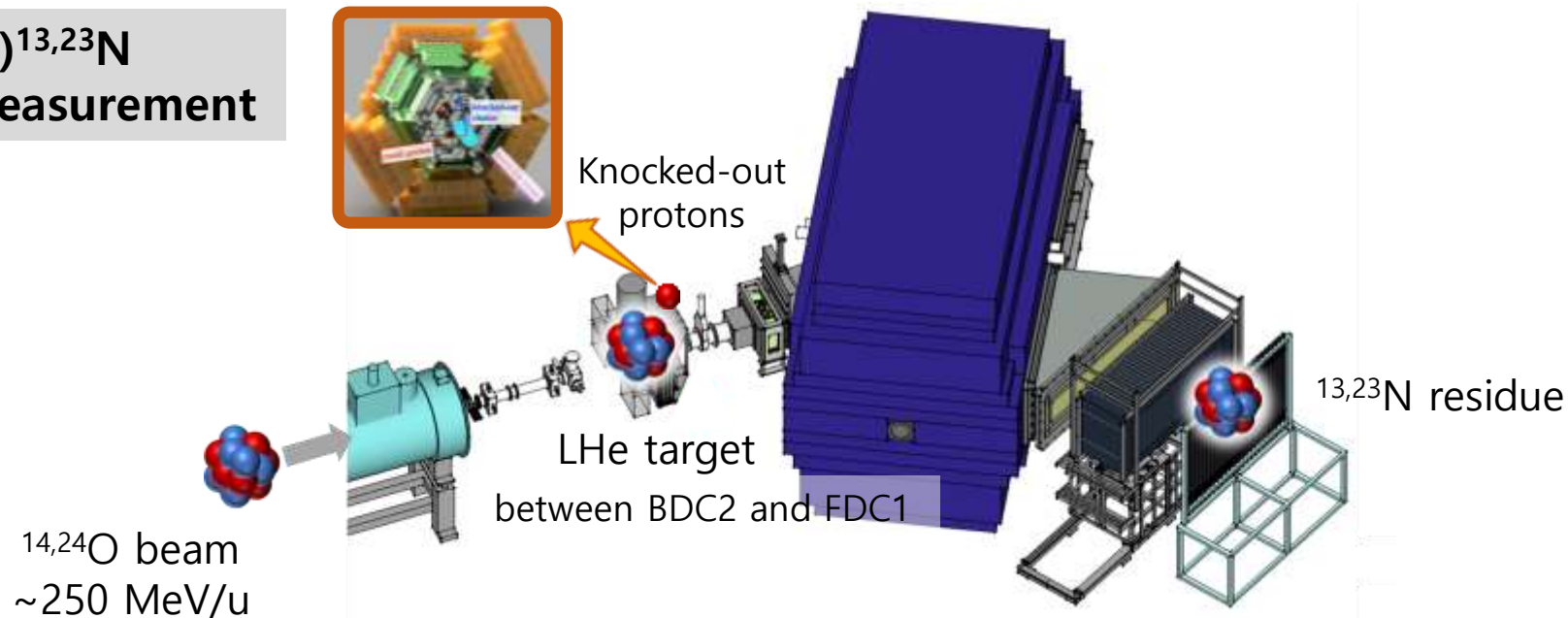
(S. Kawase et al., PTEP 021D01(2018))

- To provide complementary spectroscopy information, we proposed one-proton removal experiment using a **NEW probe, an alpha target**.

# Experimental Setup: SAMURAI+TOGAXSI

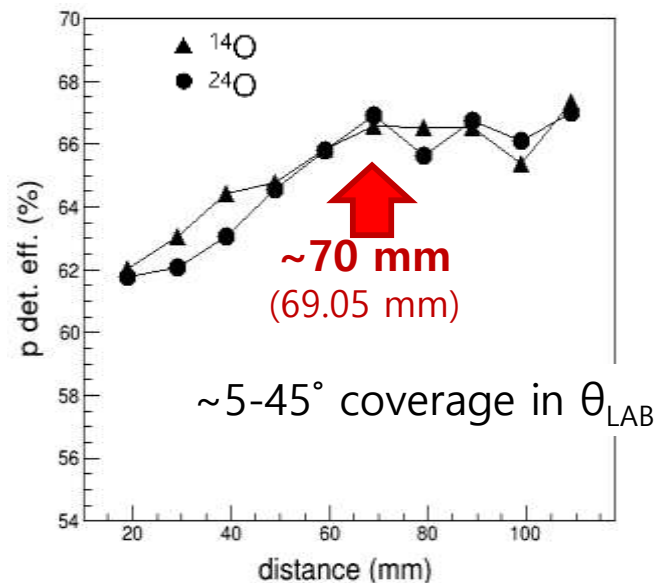
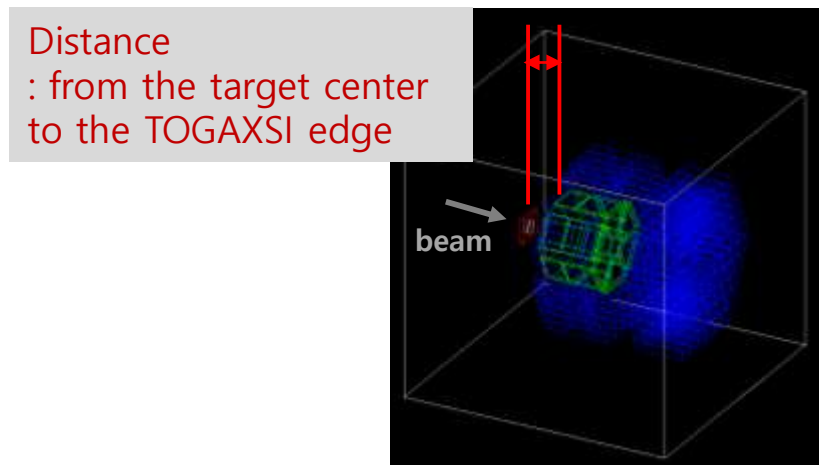
Equipment	Measurement	Observables
<b>TOGAXSI</b>	Momenta of knocked-out protons	Proton removal cross sections (Recoil alpha momenta in missing mass method)
<b>SAMURAI</b> (Plastics at F7,F13, BDC1,2, FDC1,2, HODF)	Momenta of beams and residues	Particle identification

$^{14,24}\text{O}(\alpha, \alpha p)^{13,23}\text{N}$   
Cross section measurement

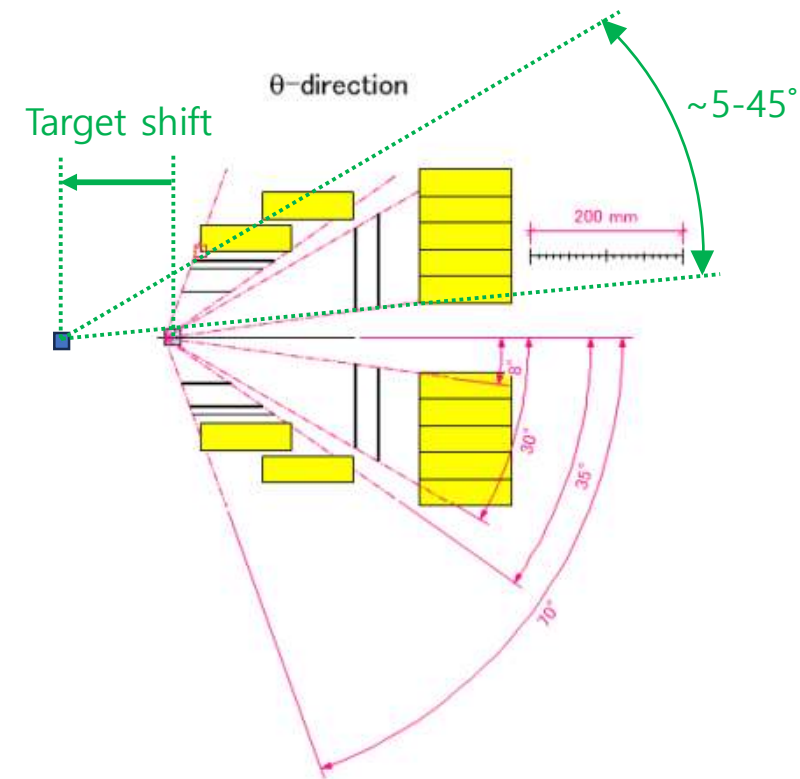


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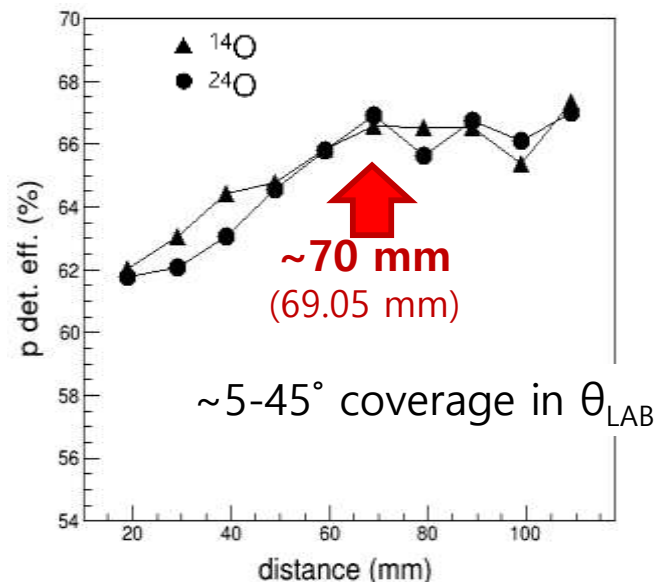
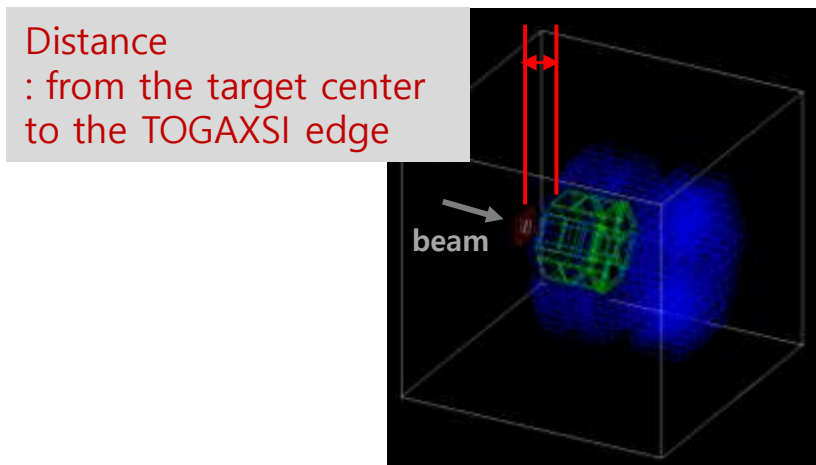


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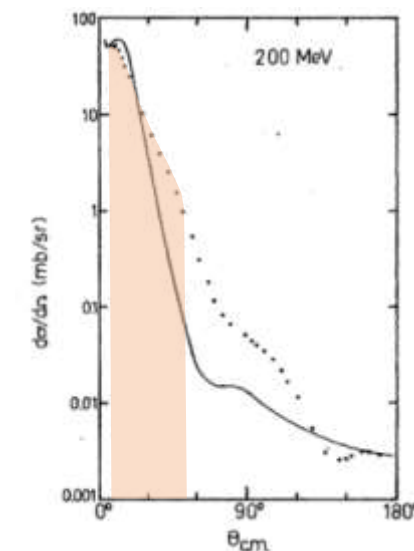
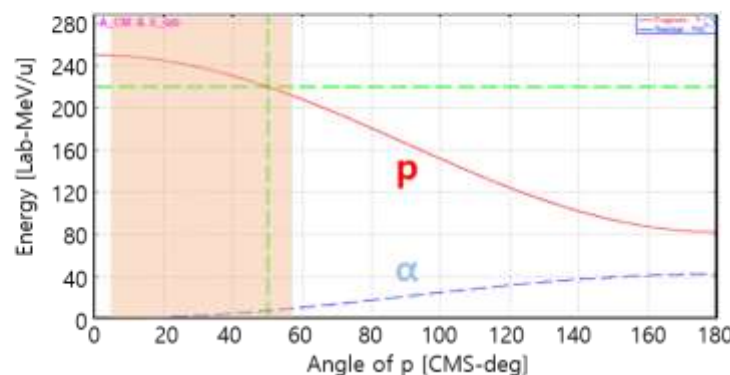
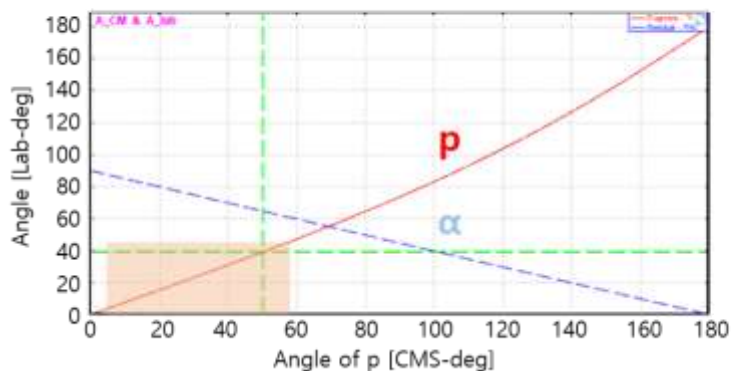
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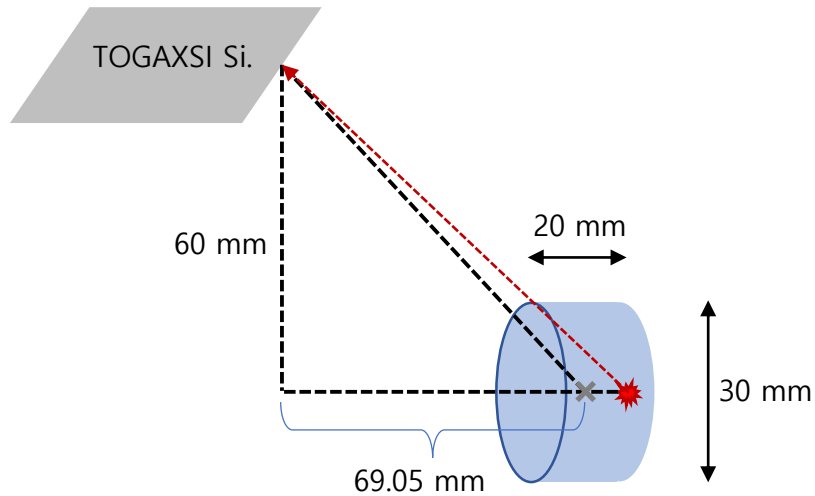
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- Angular coverage to be measured: ~5-45° in  $\theta$  in the lab frame (~7-57° in  $\theta_{\text{cm}}$ )  
(We will focus on the proton measurement, as the alpha detection efficiency is less than 1% due to the kinematics.)



# Target thickness and diameter

- At a fixed distance of 69.05 mm, the window diameter restricts the target thickness.



- When an event occurs near the entrance window of the target, a produced particle can reach the TOGAXSI silicon detectors with

**Window  $\Phi 30$ : target thickness 20 mm** ✓

Window  $\Phi 40$ : target thickness 28 mm

Window  $\Phi 50$ : target thickness 36 mm

# Status of the liquid He target

(courtesy of Yohei Matsuda)

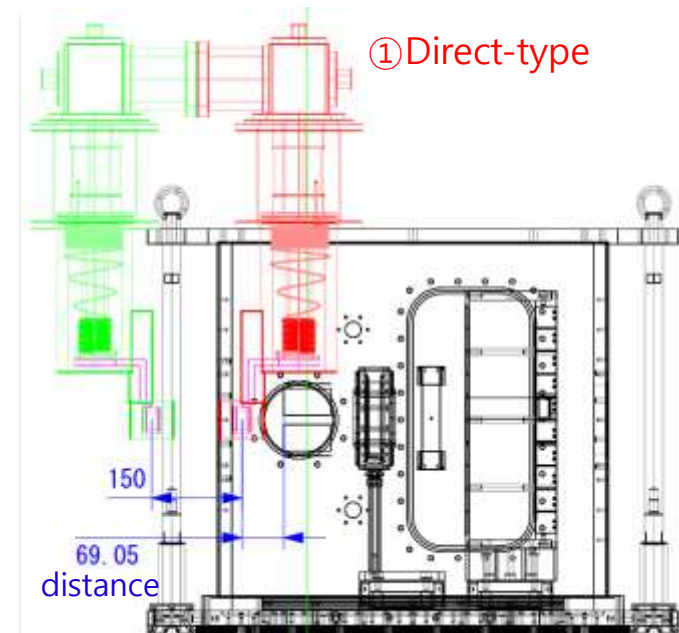
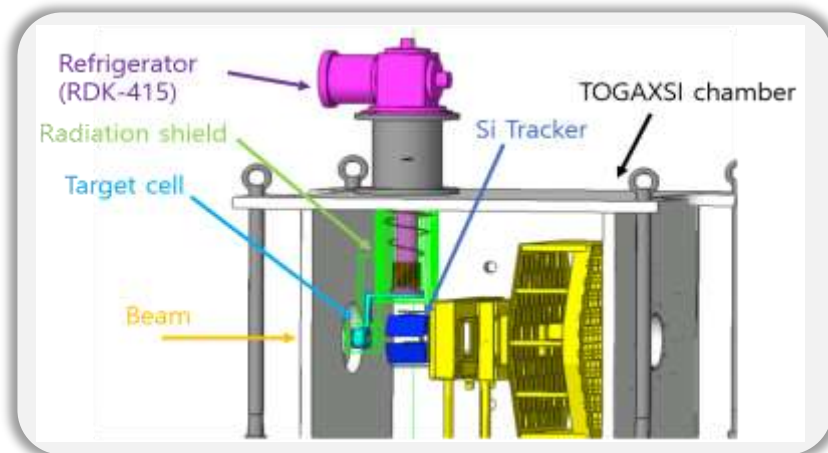
## ➤ Finished

- First design of the target system with the TOGAXSI (target thickness: 20 mm,  $\Phi$ : 30 mm)
- Preparation of a test chamber and a gas handler

## ➤ Next step

- Technical drawing of the target system, 3D temperature simulation
- LHe production in the test chamber
- Construction and test of the LHe target system in the SAMURAI area for a month around summer (after the TOGAXSI experiments, if the experiments are performed in the first half of 2025)

② Strasse-type: ~150 mm extension needed



Test chamber and the gas handler at Konan University



# Beams, beamtime, and triggers

➤ Secondary beam production (LISE++, EPAX3)

Primary beam	Secondary beam	Primary beam intensity (pnA)	Total intensity @F13 (pps)	E @F13 (MeV/u)
$^{18}\text{O}$	$^{14}\text{O}$	40 (scaled by 5)	$3.30\text{e}+5$ ( $^{14}\text{O}$ , $3.29\text{e}+5$ )	254
$^{40}\text{Ar}$	$^{14}\text{O}$	60	$2.85\text{e}+5$ ( $^{14}\text{O}$ , $2.82\text{e}+5$ )	241
$^{40}\text{Ar}$	$^{24}\text{O}$	500	$8.54\text{e}+3$ ( $^{24}\text{O}$ , $8.58\text{e}+2$ )	254

(Due to the SAMURAI detectors to be operated properly, the total secondary beam intensities were estimated less than  $\sim 3 \times 10^5$  pps.)

➤ Triggers

- 1/200 downscaled beam
- Beam (x) HODF
- Beam (x) HODF (x) TOGAXSI

➤ Beamtime and counts

Run	Beamtime (days)	Counts (det. eff.=0.7)	$\Delta R$
BigRIPS tuning	0.5		
$^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, \alpha p)$	0.4	$2.44\text{e}+5$	0.001
$^{14}\text{O}$ empty	0.1		
$^{24}\text{O}(\alpha, \alpha p)$	3.5	$7.48\text{e}+3$	0.007
$^{24}\text{O}$ empty	0.5		
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.0</b>		

(Theoretical cross sections were calculated by private communication with Yoshida-san and PRC 104, L061602(2021))

(Depending on the experiment schedule, proton beamtime may be needed for the TOGAXSI tuning and calibration.)

## Summary

- We plan to perform the  $^{14,24}\text{O}(\alpha,\alpha p)$  experiment using the SAMURAI+TOGAXSI setup together with a LHe target.
- A distance of 69.05 mm between the LHe target center and the TOGAXSI edge is optimal for achieving high proton detection efficiency, covering the angular coverage of  $\sim 5\text{-}45^\circ$ .

## Discussion

- Schedule for the LHe target system test in the SAMURAI area (after the TOGAXSI experiments)
- Availability of the target position, considering the interference with the Si detector system

*Thank you for your attention!*