Using beams of reclaimed 44Ti to explore the mechanism of core collapse in supernovae

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Road map

- ⁴⁴Ti production in supernovae & importance of
 ⁴⁴Ti(α,p)⁴⁷V
- Creating beams of ⁴Ti at TRIUMF
- Planned and other possible measurements:
 - ⁴Ti(α ,p) @ TUDA
 - ⁴Ti(α , γ) @ DRAGON
 - ⁴Ti(p, γ) @ DRAGON
 - ... and EMMA?

TRIUMF implantation station



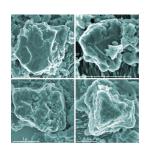


Supernova observables

- Supernovae explosions are incredibly complex and most observables are very general, resulting from the overall features of the explosion.
 - Light curves include all energy given off as photons.
 - Spectroscopy provides elemental abundances, but only measures the total number of all isotopes of any given element.

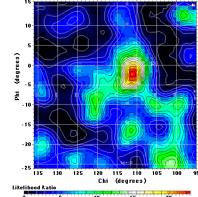
Observations of individual isotopes are particularly useful

for comparing models to observations



- presolar grains
- γ-ray telescope observations





 Accurate models, however, need precise reaction rates to be sufficiently constrained.





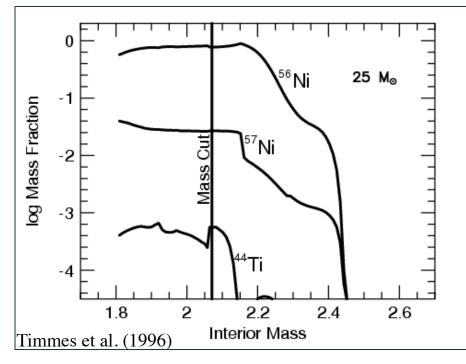
⁴⁴Ti production

In neutrino driven explosions:

And ap-rich freeze out
Magkotsios et al. ApJ suppl, 191 (2010)

 4 Ti is synthesized in the α -rich freeze out that occurs in the shock-heated Si layer that lies just above the detonating core and so the amount ejected sensitively depends on location of the 'mass cut'

- Material that 'falls back' is not available for detection
- *Ti yield a sensitive diagnostic of the explosion mechanism
- Thus, VERY useful for models to make comparisons against



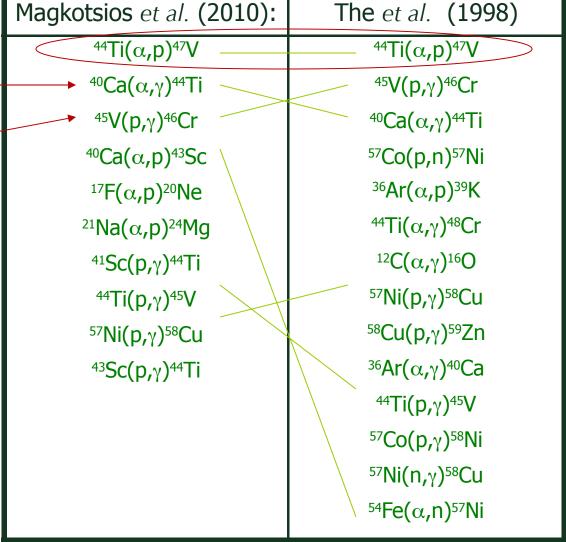




Most important reactions determined from sensitivity studies

Measured at TRIUME with DRAGON

Letter of intent submitted, but this is a challenging beam to produce

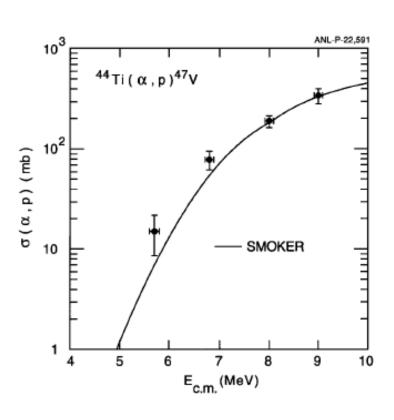




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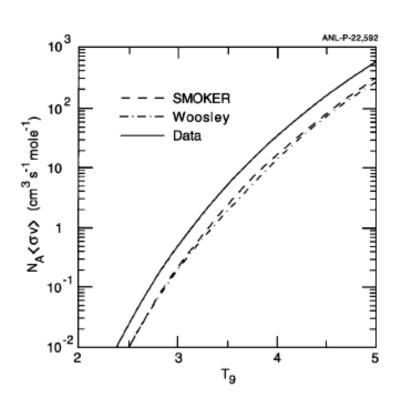
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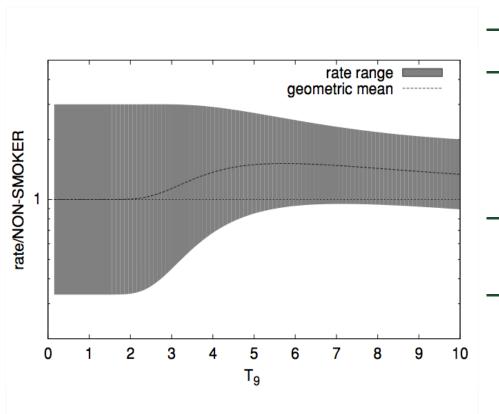
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- Energies higher than those required to study the reaction at astrophysically relevant temperatures
- Found a rate 2x higher than the SMOKER rates.
 - Hoffman et al., [ApJ 715 (2010)] recalculated a rate from this data & find a rate consistent with NON-SMOKER within uncertainties





How to measure 44 Ti(α ,p) 47 V:

- ⁴⁴Ti targets? ← Tariq's talk this morning
- 44Ti beams?

difficult to produce and extract

 On-line production using the ISOL technique followed by immediate acceleration

Also low production rates

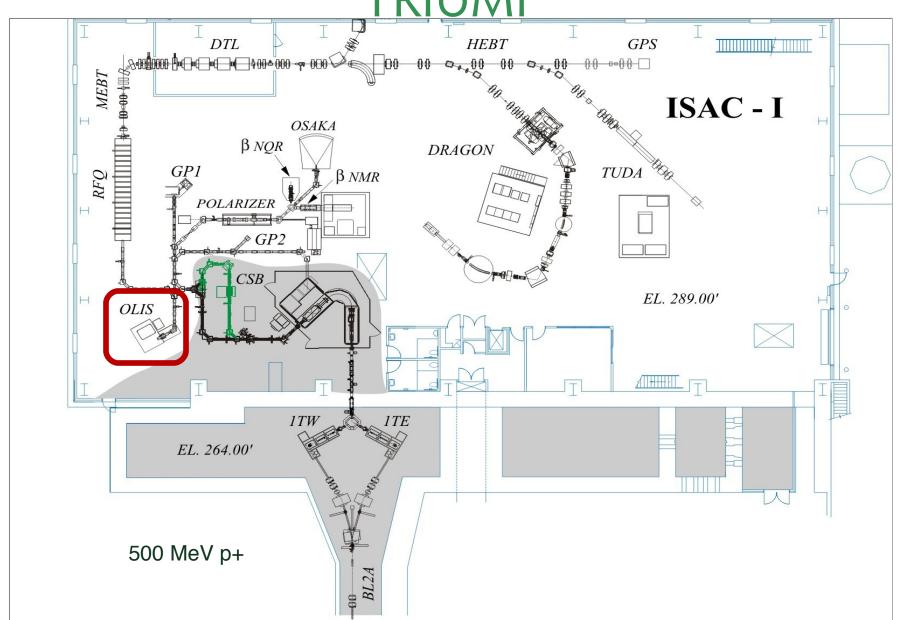
• On-line production using fragmentation.

Off-line production using an enriched source of
 ⁴⁴Ti, available through the ERAWAST
 program in the TRIUMF off-line ion source





TRIUMF





The plan for 44Ti beams off-line: Supernanogan



- ISAC-I accelerator limited to A/q ≤6.
- Use of a stipping foil can provide beams of ions up to A=30
- For beams above A=30 high charge states are needed from the source.
- Supernanogan ECR source can provide these high charge states
- Beam up to A=150 from the off-line source can now be accelerated.





⁴⁴Ti (α ,p) Requirements

- Previous ⁴⁴Ti(α ,p) experiment: **10**⁵ **pps**
- A TUDA measurement 1 MeV lower in energy requires
 ~10¹² total ions on target
- With $\sim 10^{16}$ atoms available we would require:
 - 0.01% combined source and accelerator efficiency
 - More 44Ti and better efficiencies would allow for measurements at even lower energies.





The plan for 44Ti beams off-line: Supernanogan



Source efficiencies depend on the method of acquiring material:

- Gas leak 1 10% efficiency
- Sputter source0.01 0.1% efficiency
- Oven ... depends on the properties of the material 0.1% - 1%?





The plan for 44Ti beams off-line

- 44Ti can be provided in the form of TiF₄
- TiF₄ sublimates at 284°C
- Lessons from recent 33S beam:
 - Melting point 115°C / Boiling point 445°C
 - Didn't even have to turn on oven to get a good vapour pressure
- There is a possibility of getting up to 1% efficiency out of source when using TiF₄.
 - ... But this needs testing...





Efficiency tests - Done

Ti wire sputter test:

- Wire produced ~2.7- 3.6x108pps 48Ti7+ at the source cup
- Ran for 5 days
- ⁴⁸Ti is 74% of natural abundance
- No measured difference in Ti wire weight after the test (0.1mg scale)
- ... Minimum sputter efficiency was 0.017%

Good enough... but not great





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- putting a small enough sample in the Supernanogan to use it up in the time available for beam development
- Knowing how much material was in the sample

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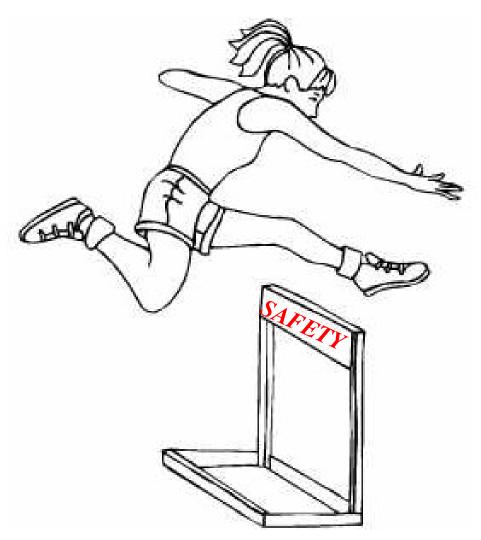
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- Knowing how much material was in the sample
- The <u>Solution</u>: using a small amount of a low concentration solution of TiF₄ in water.
 - –An oven for TiF₄ tests has been ordered
 - –TiF₄ needs to be acquired
 - -Hope to run in winter shutdown (late Dec. early Apr.)



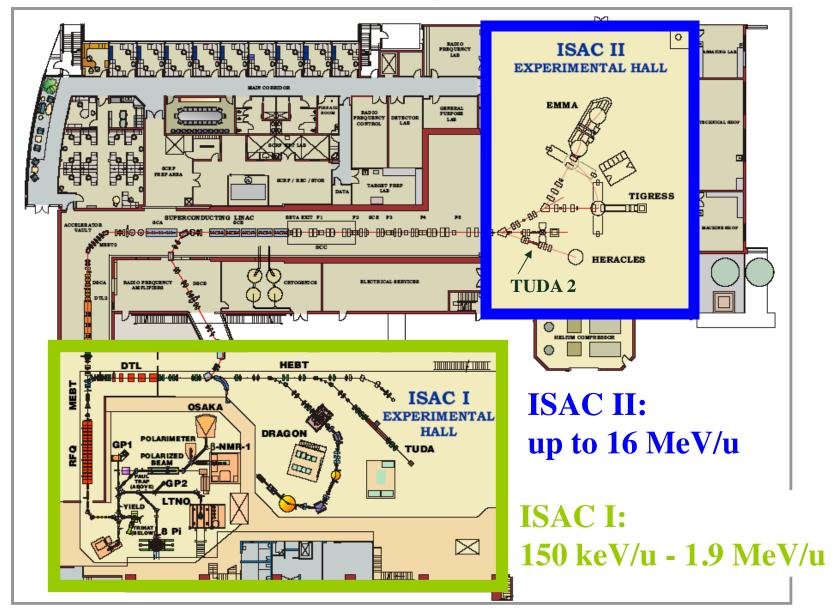




- 44Ti is radioactive, $t_{1/2} = \sim 60 \text{ y}$
- No other radioactive isotope ever used in OLIS
- + ¹⁴C experiment also has "stage 1" approval (join forces)
- + "Ti beam was produced from an ECR source at Argonne National Lab.



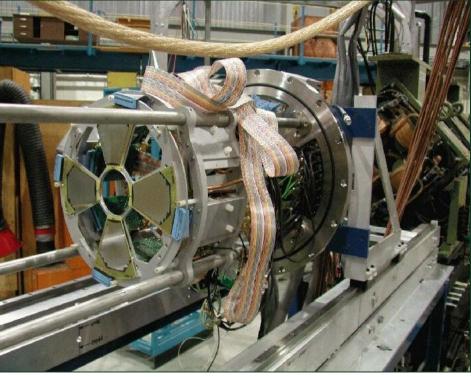
TRIUMF - ISAC I and II





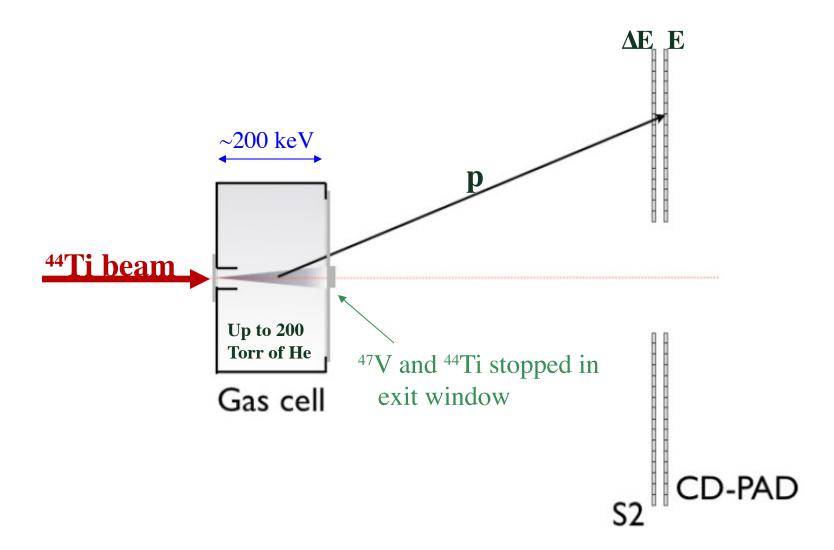
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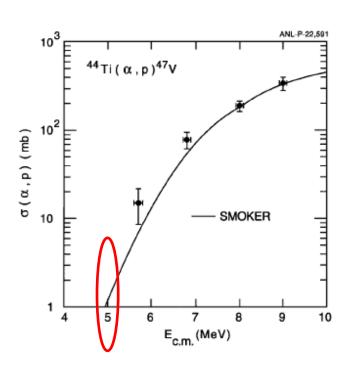


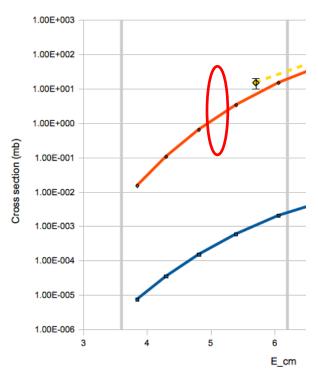
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E _{C.M.} (MeV)	Cross-section (mb)	Events/day	# 12 hour shifts
5	4	195	2
4	1	65	4
3	0.5	14	10



[↑] With 10⁶ pps beams

So, we have a ⁴⁴Ti beam what else can we do with it...

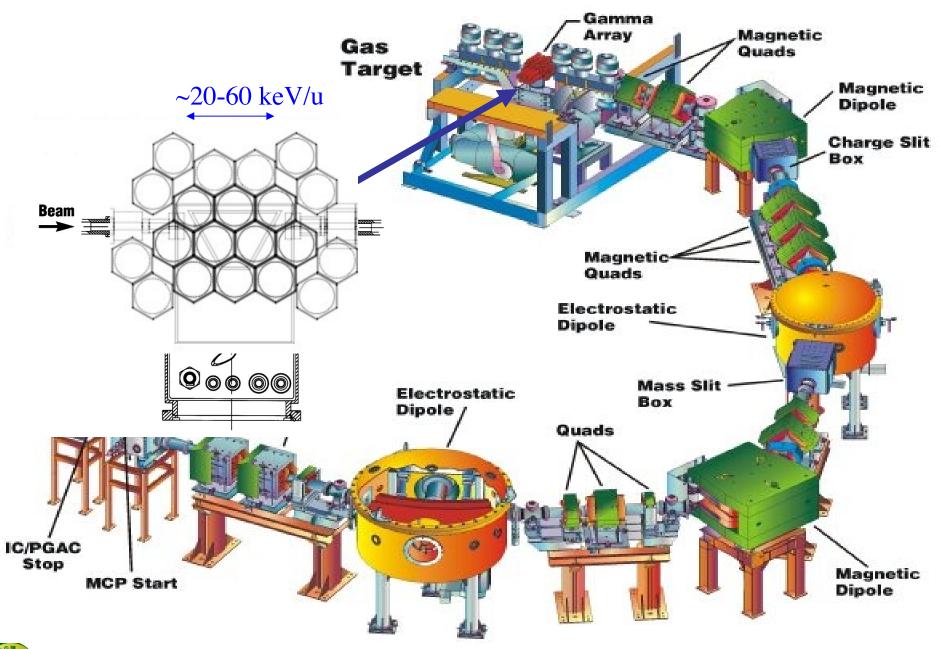




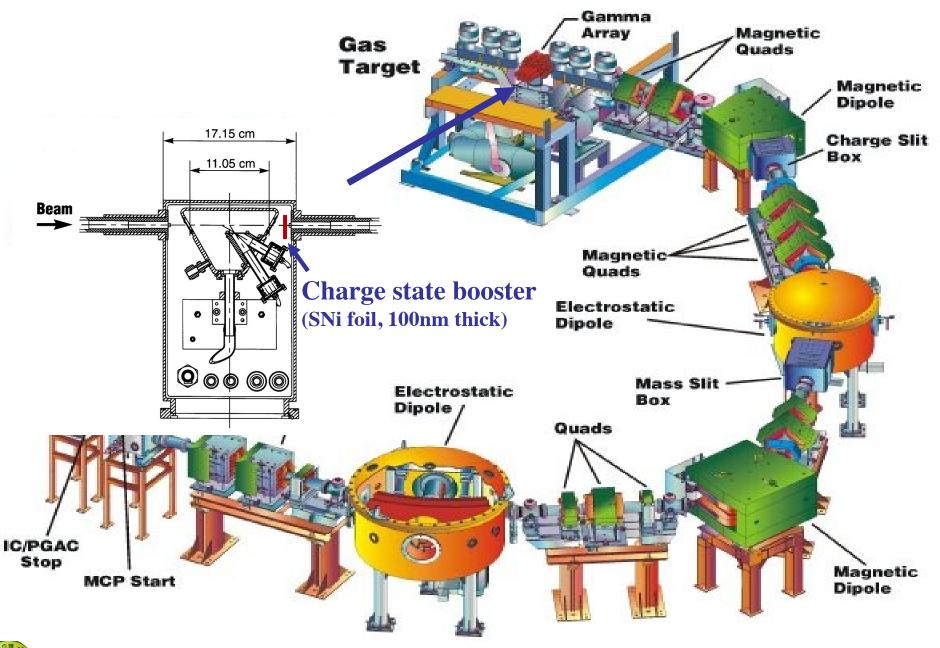
⁴⁴Ti production destruction

		Magkotsios et al. (2010):	The et al. (1998):
	⁴⁴ Ti(α,p) ⁴⁷ V	✓	✓
	⁴⁴ Ti(α,γ) ⁴⁸ Cr	-	✓
	⁴⁴ Ti(p,γ) ⁴⁵ V	✓	✓
	Rates used	NON-SMOKER	SMOKER

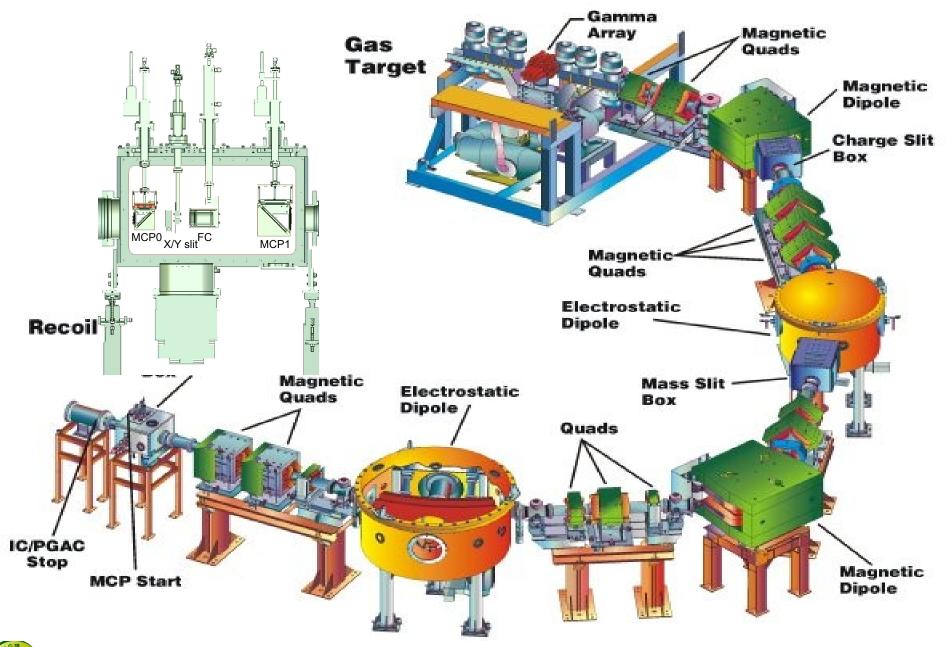






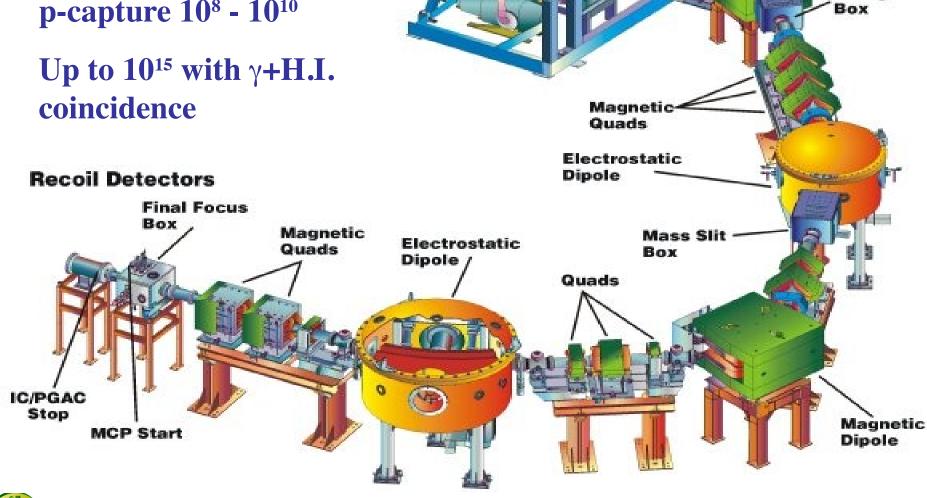








Raw suppression for p-capture 10⁸ - 10¹⁰



Gas

Target

Gamma Array

Magnetic

Magnetic Dipole

Charge Slit

Quads



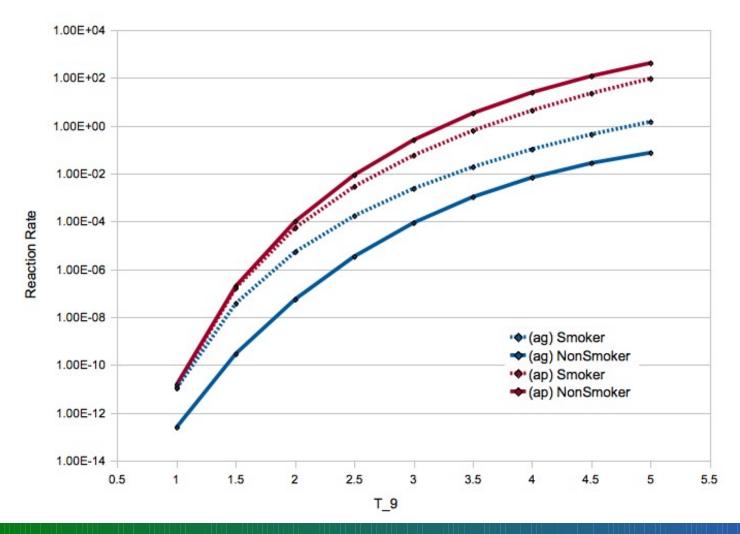
Current experimental data for $^{44}\text{Ti}(\alpha,\gamma)$

(Yes, that's really all there is...)





Changes between SMOKER and NON-SMOKER codes: result of suppression of (α,γ) reactions on self conjugate nuclei due to isospin selection rules







44Ti (α, γ) Requirements

- for 10⁸ pps
 - − 6.2 MeV: ~0.6 counts/hr at the end detector.
- for 10⁹ pps
 - − 6.2 MeV: ~6 counts/hr
 - − 4.9 MeV (middle of Gamow window) : ~0.4 counts/hr
- For 10¹⁰ pps
 - − 3.6 MeV: ~0.14 counts/hr



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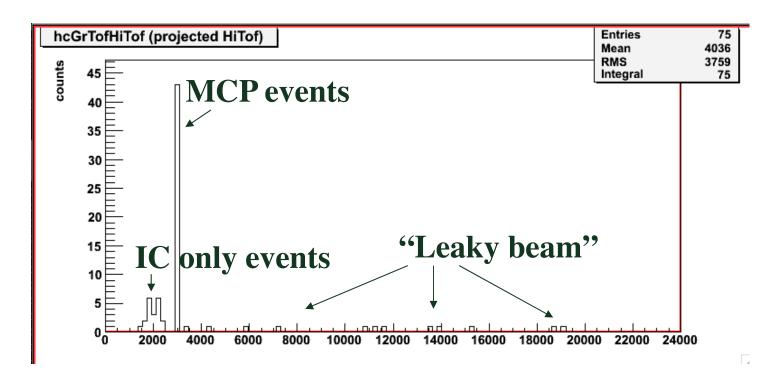
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(p,γ) separation?

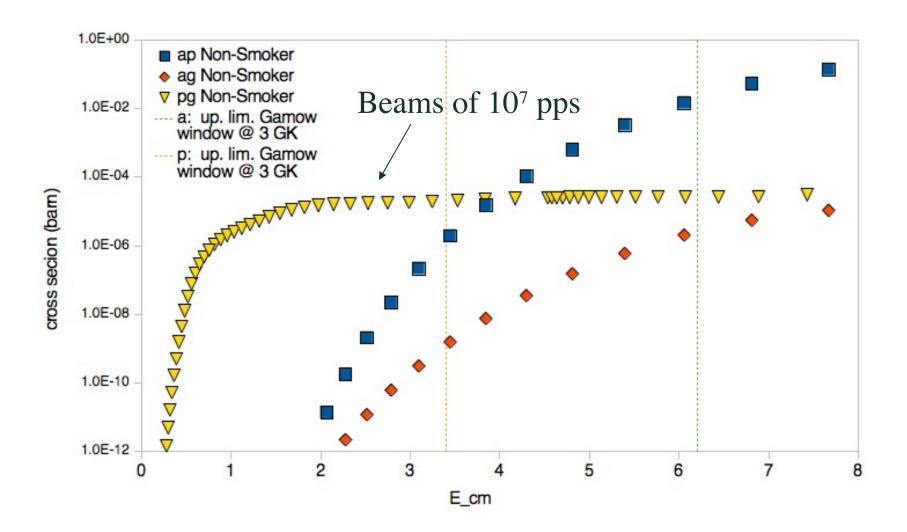
- Ran a test with ⁵⁸Ni(p,γ)⁵⁹Cu in April at 1.4 MeV/u:
 - − Avg. beam suppression in 'singles' mode ~ 1.2E8
 - Avg. beam suppression in 'coincidence' mode ~ 3.0E10







NON-SMOKER cross sections for 44 Ti(p, γ)







ISAC-I beam energies: 150 keV/u - 1.9 MeV/u

⁴⁴Ti(
$$\alpha$$
, γ): (for upper limit of Gamow window at 3 GK)
$$E_{res} = 6.2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{beam} = 1.69 \text{ MeV/u}$$

 $^{44}\text{Ti}(p,\gamma)$: (for the middle of the Gamow window at 3 GK)

$$E_{res} = 1.87 \text{ MeV}$$

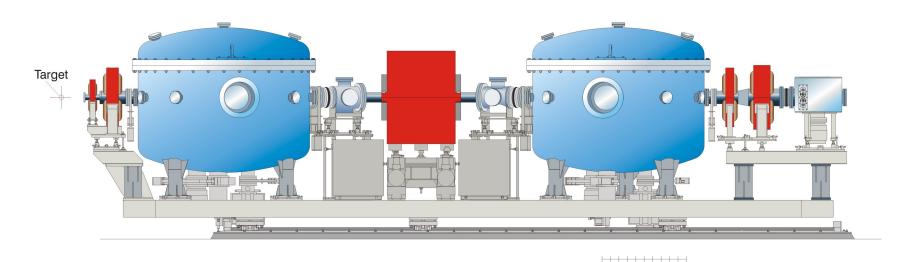
$$E_{beam} = 1.9 \text{ MeV/u}$$

This is the upper limit of E_{beam} to DRAGON. To measure radiative capture rates for higher temperatures...

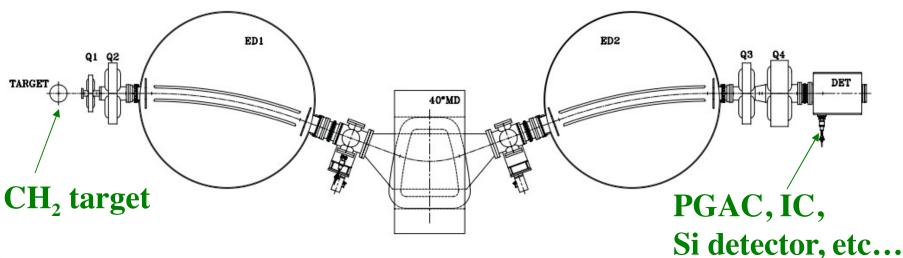




EMMA (ElectroMagnetic Mass Analyser)



But not yet assembled or commissioned





Summary of The Plan

- Test the efficiency of TiF₄ from Supernanogan
- Acquire safety approval Feasible on a ~1 yr time scale
- Run $^{44}\text{Ti}(\alpha,p)^{47}\text{V}$ at TUDA $^{42}\text{Possibly 2013 if all goes very well}$
- Measure ⁴Ti(p,γ)⁴⁵V at DRAGON
 Not too much of a stretch
- Guided by TUDA results, confirm or deny the NON-SMOKER rate for ${}^{4}\text{Ti}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{8}\text{Cr}$ at DRAGON





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Now on to the target implantation station at TRIUMF....

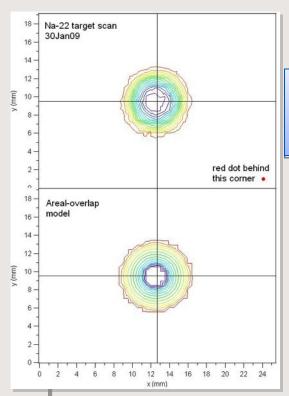






Direct measurement of 22 Na(p, γ) 23 Mg

- TRIUMF-CENPA (U. Wash) proposal
- High-quality, high-density ²²Na target fabricated at ISAC
- Chamber designed at TRIUMF, built at CENPA
- (p,γ) run at CENPA



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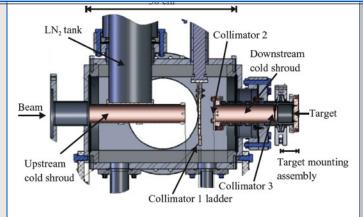
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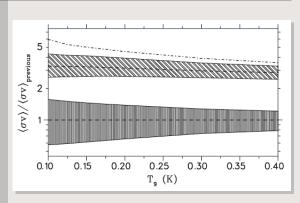
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Stronger resonance strengths measured: reaction rate much higher: reduction in net ²²Na → changes detectability distance of novae by factor 2!





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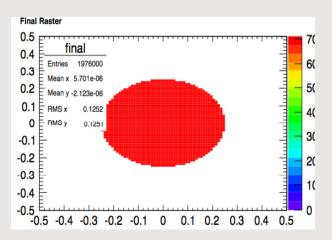


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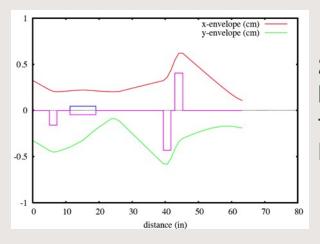
- ⁸Al experiment S1200 ⁸Al(n,p) Mg, Al(n,α) Na, core-collapse supernovae TRIUMF-LANL
 - Require high-quality 1 x 10^{16} cm⁻² target, implanted at shallow depth so recoils from (n,p) and (n, α) reactions can be observed
 - Need high-intensity low-velocity ³⁶Al beam

Future RIBs

- Many medium-to-long-lived isotopes for implantation for similar neutron-induced experiments, for astrophysical s-process studies – & possibly recovered ⁴Ti in ISAC ion source
- Custom α -sources
- Target uniformity
 - ²⁶Al targets being used also for chargedparticle experiments - important to have uniformity ⇒ beam raster
- Safe handling
 - Targets can be fragile, need to be vented and handled with care (and with min. exposure)



Simulations determined optimum raster efficiency and uniformity achieved for 2mm FWHM beam at typical target diameters

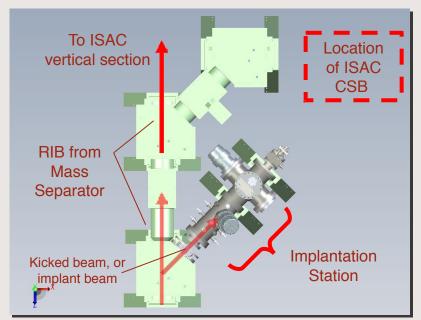


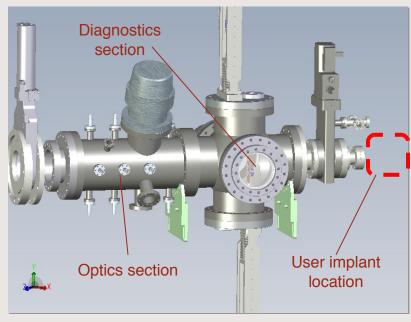
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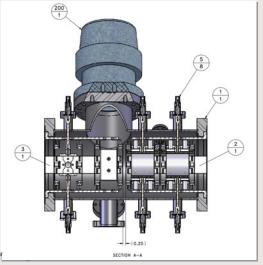
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Finished Design – ISAC Implantation Station







- Dedicated HV and dry vacuum with UHV specs
- Slow pump/vent for thin foils
- 1 x 10⁻⁸ Torr operating pressure
- Commissioned May 2011 with ²⁶Al test target, 2 x 10¹⁵ at/cm²
- Treated as a User Facility each use is an experiment requiring proposal to TRIUMF EEC
- Highly customized target holders can be used
- Now available for public usage



IIS (cont)

