

# The use of storage rings in the study of reactions at low momentum transfers

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# Why low momentum transfer hadronic scattering?

- ✓ Investigation of Nuclear Matter Distributions along Isotopic Chains:
  - ⇒ halo, skin structure
  - ⇒ probe in-medium interactions at extreme isospin (almost pure neutron matter)
  - ⇒ in combination with electron scattering (ELISe project @ FAIR):  
separate neutron/proton content of nuclear matter (deduce neutron skins)
- method: elastic proton scattering at low q: high sensitivity to nuclear periphery
- ✓ Investigation of Giant Monopole Resonance in Doubly Magic Nuclei:
  - ⇒ gives access to nuclear compressibility ⇒ key parameters of the EOS
  - ⇒ new collective modes (breathing mode of neutron skin)
- method: inelastic  $\alpha$  scattering at low q
- ✓ Investigation of Gamow-Teller Transitions:
  - ⇒ weak interaction rates for  $N = Z$  waiting point nuclei in the rp-process
  - ⇒ electron capture rates in the pre-supernova evolution (core collapse)
- method: ( $^3\text{He}, t$ ), ( $d, ^2\text{He}$ ) charge exchange reactions at low q



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# Bulk Properties



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# Example: The Collective Response of the Nucleus: Giant Resonances

*Compression  
modes*

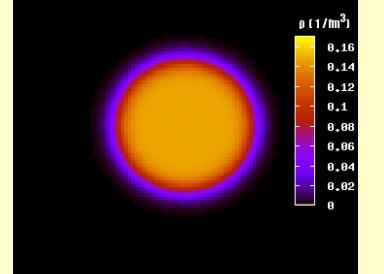
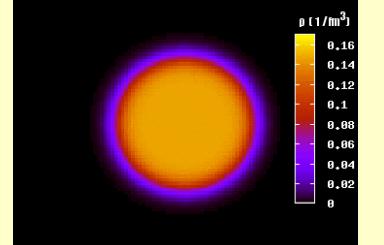
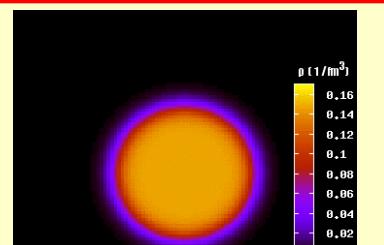
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 $\Delta L = 0$   
(GMR)

*Dipole*  
 $\Delta L = 1$   
(GDR)

*Quadrupole*  
 $\Delta L = 2$   
(GQR)

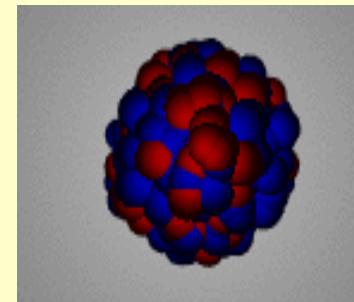
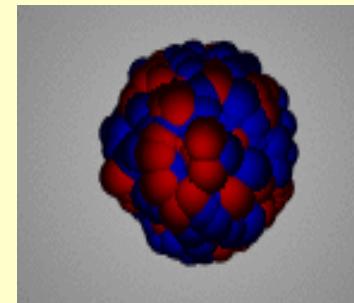
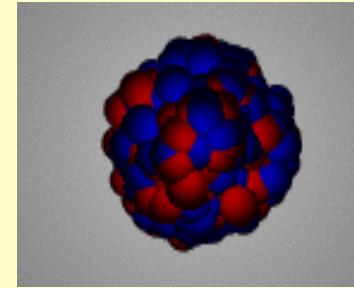
*Isoscalar (In phase)*

$$\Delta T = 0$$



*Isovector (Out of phase)*

$$\Delta T = 1$$



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Electric giant resonances

Dipole  
(GDR)

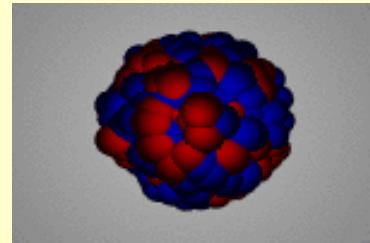
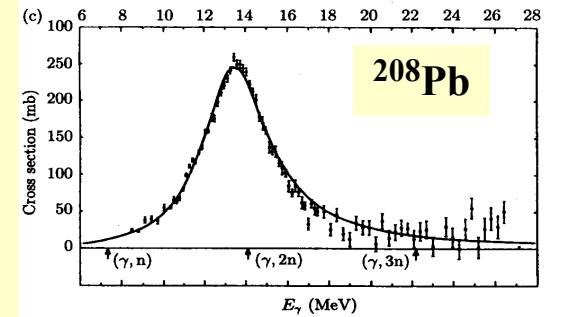
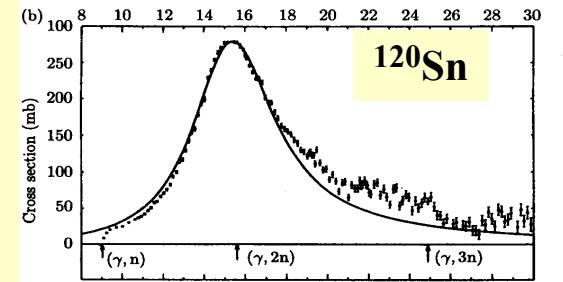
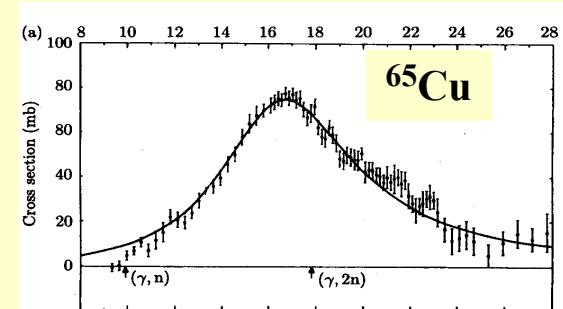


Photo-neutron  
cross sections



Berman and Fulz, Rev. Mod. Phys. 47 (1975) 47



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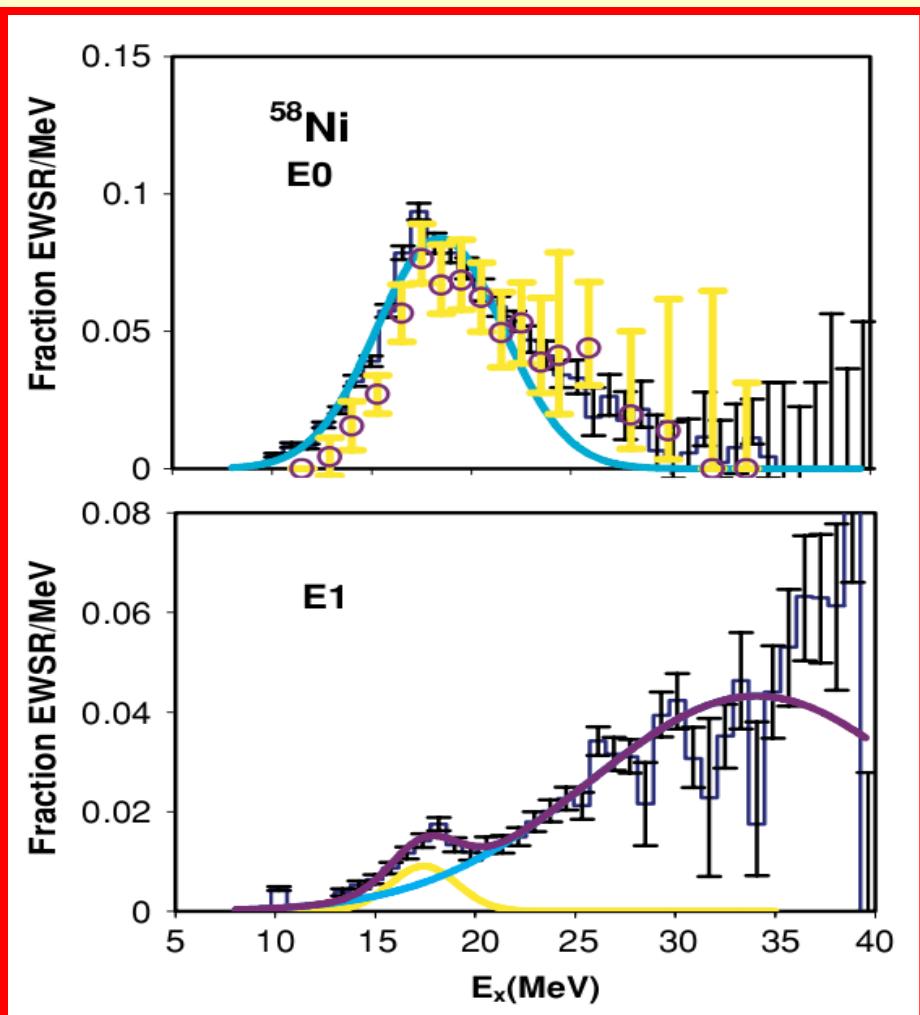
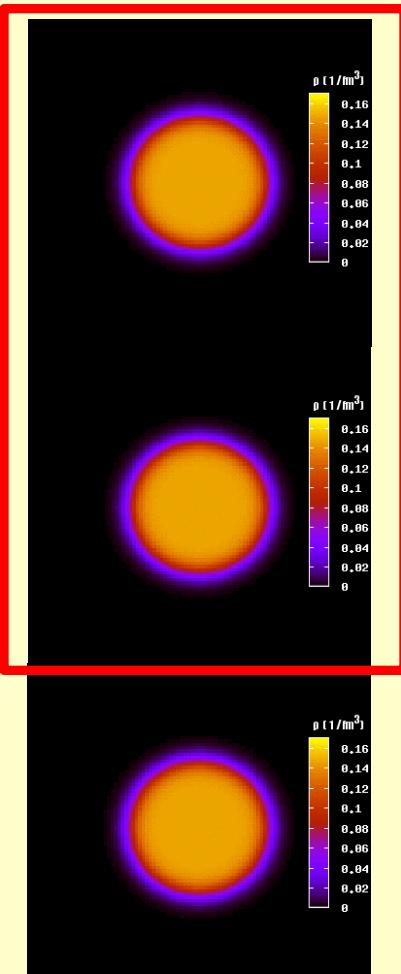
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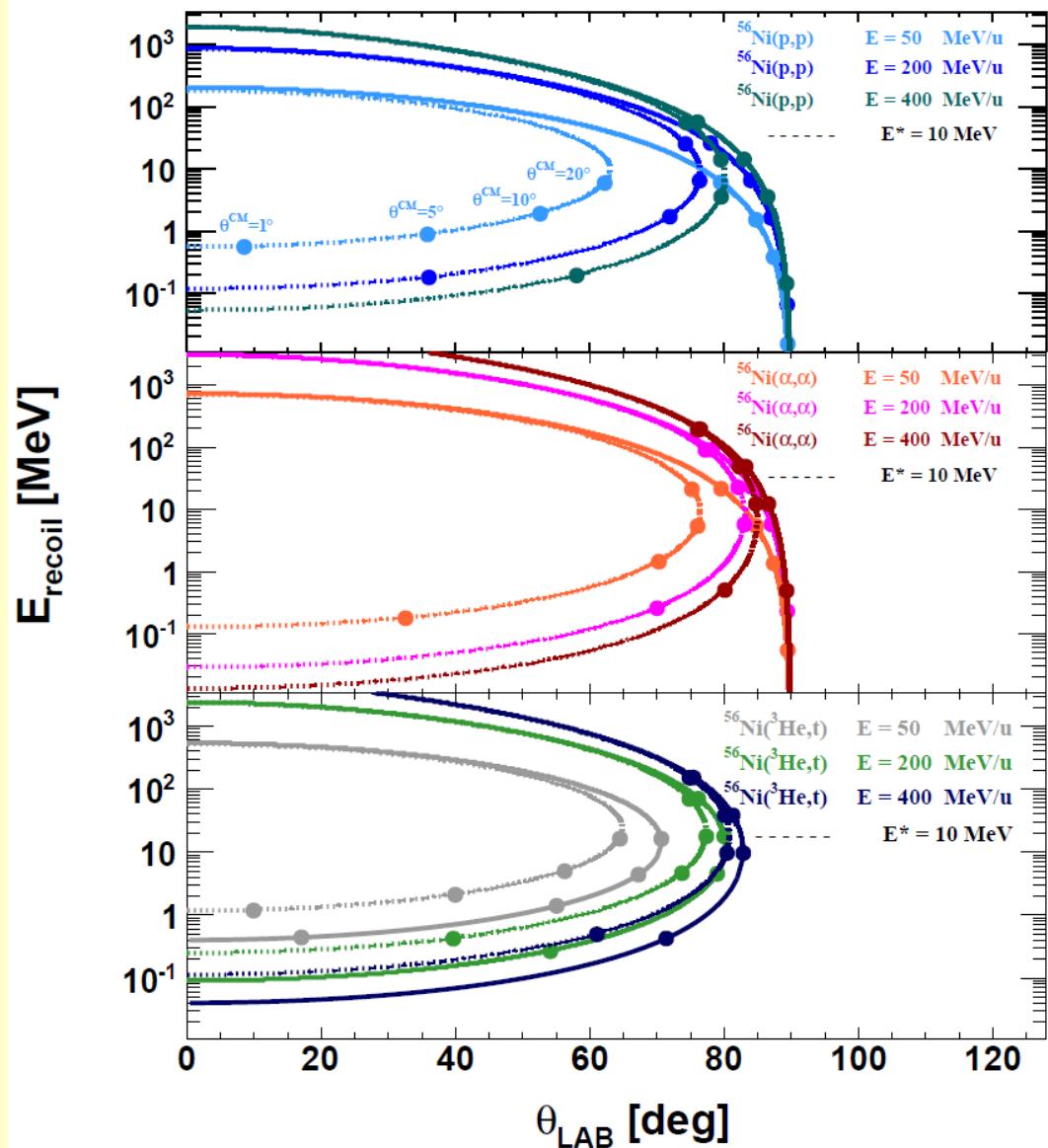
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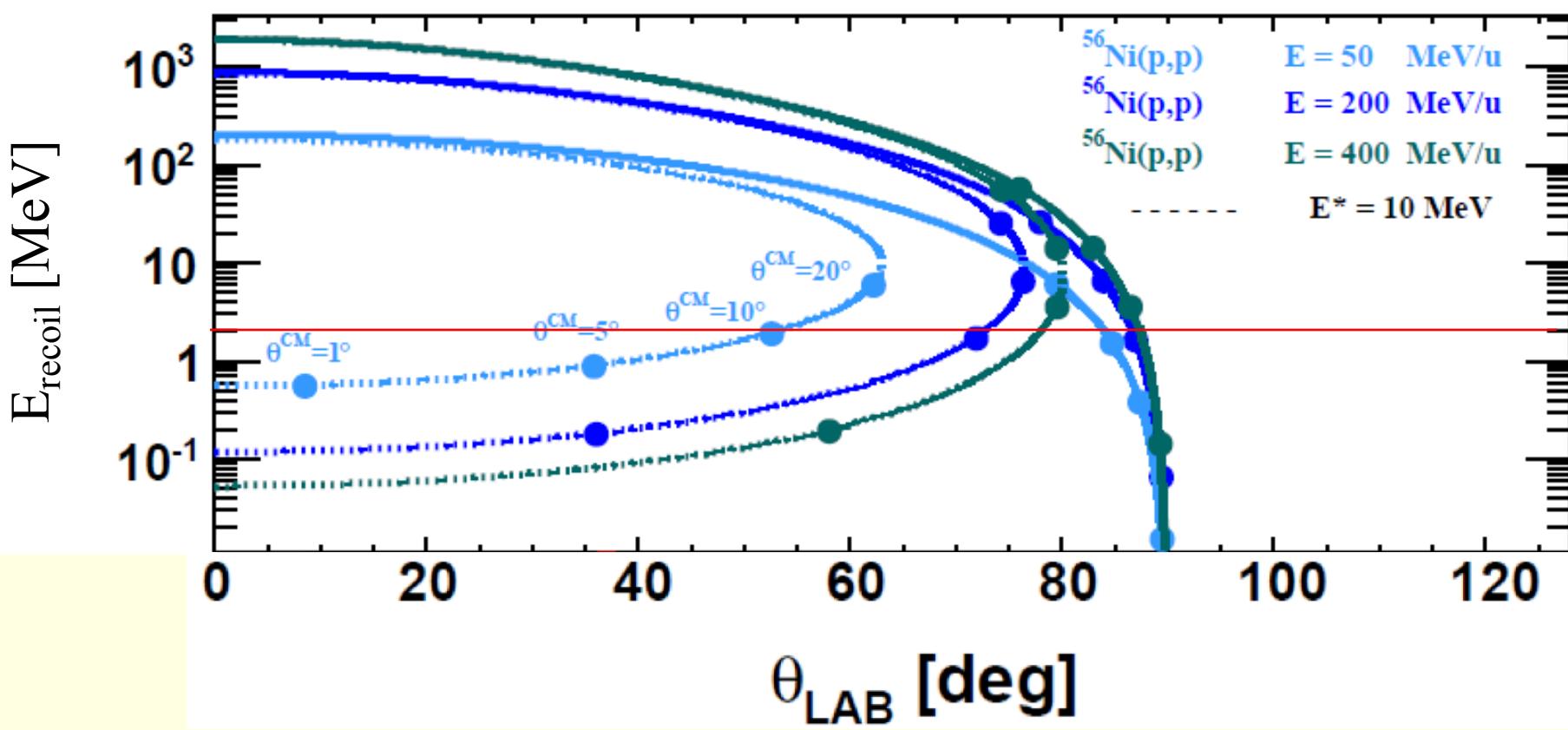
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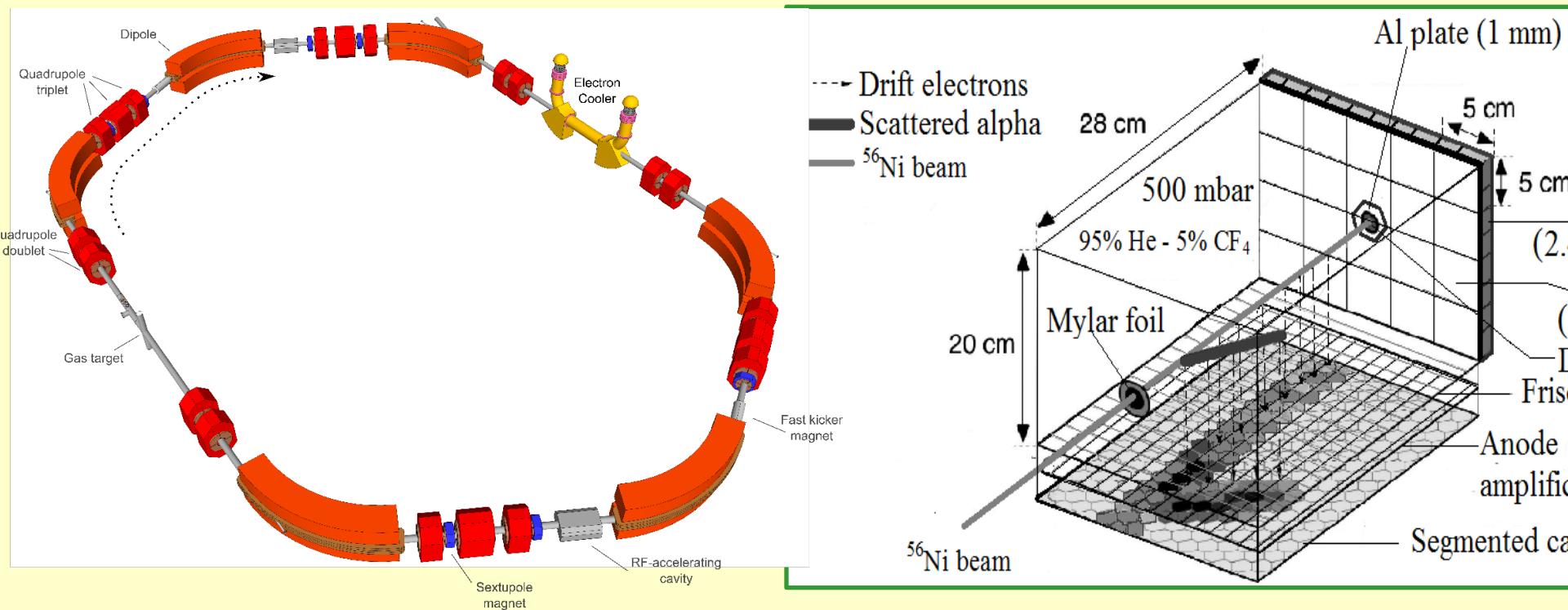
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# Kinematics for inverse reaction for $^{56}\text{Ni}$



# Storage Ring

# Active Target



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# First EXL experiment with the existing storage ring at GSI (ESR)

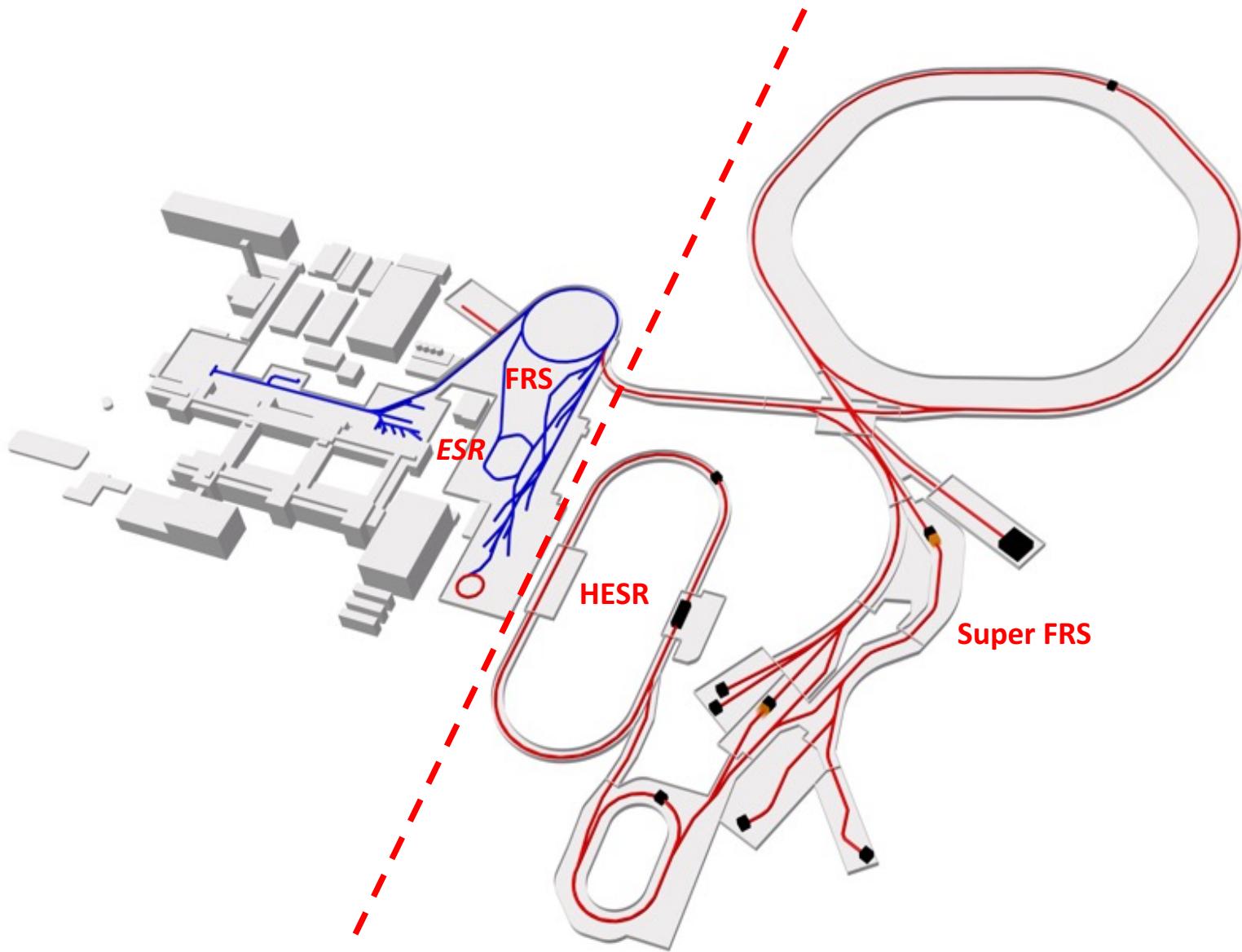
EXL=EXotic nuclei studied with Light-ion induced reactions at storage rings



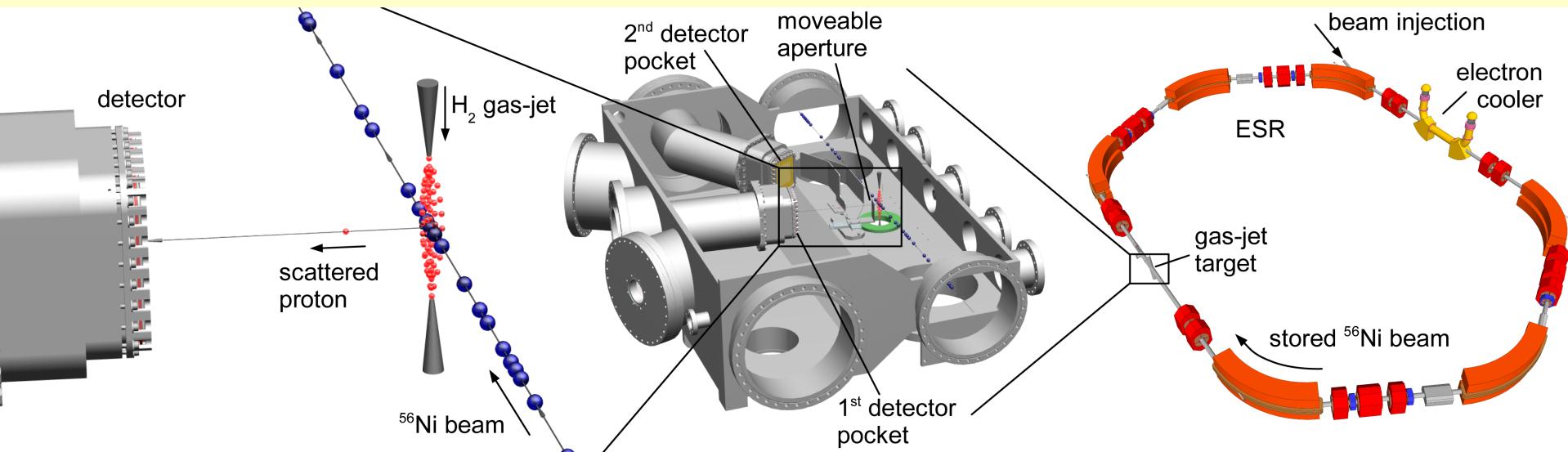
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# GSI and FAIR



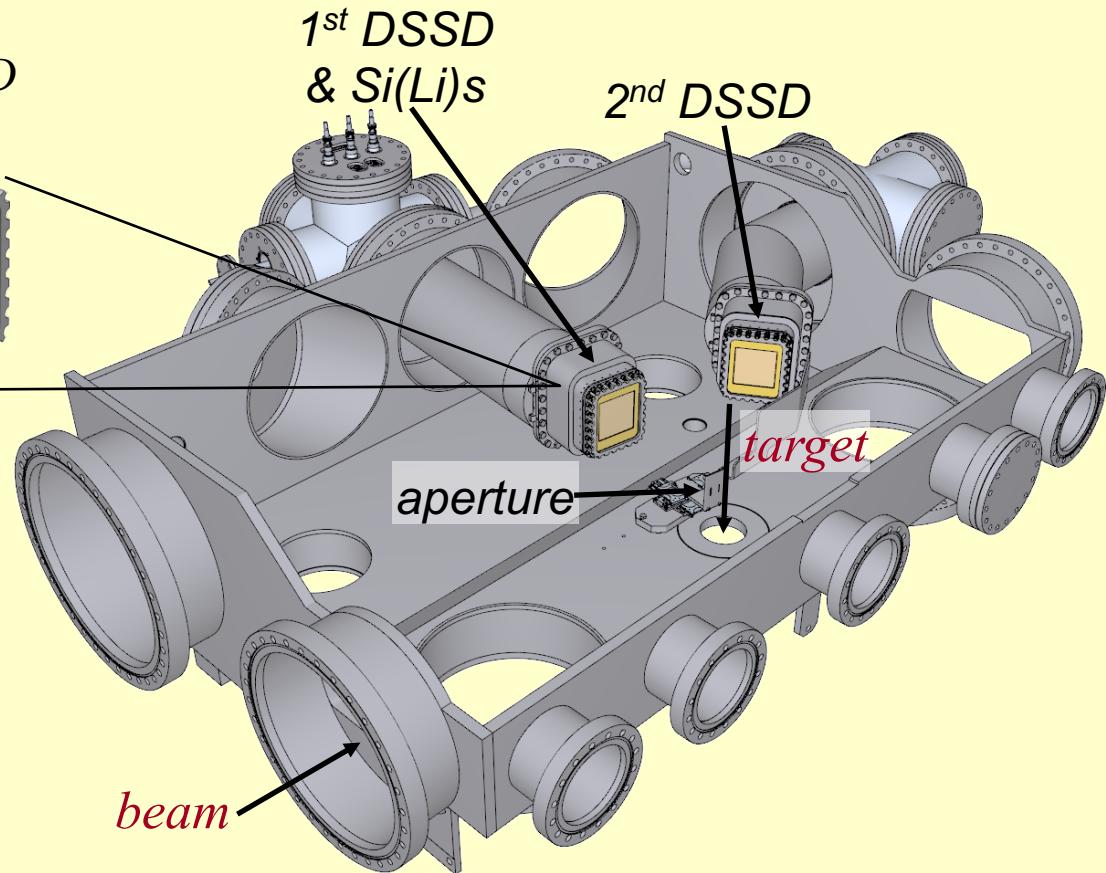
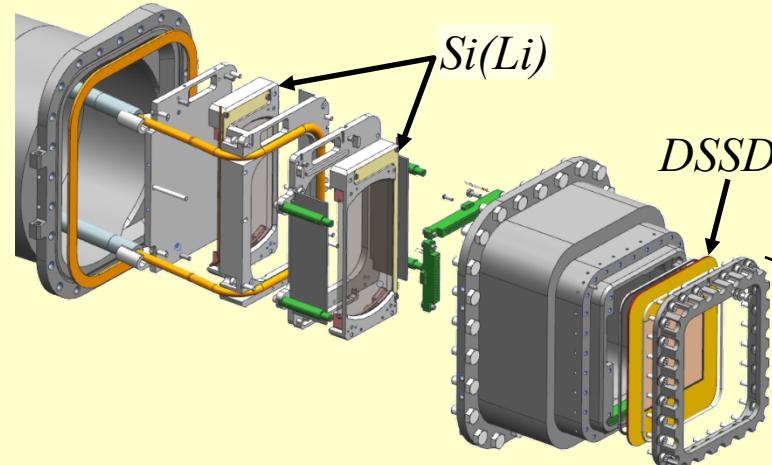
# EXL setup @ ESR



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# The new ESR Scattering chamber

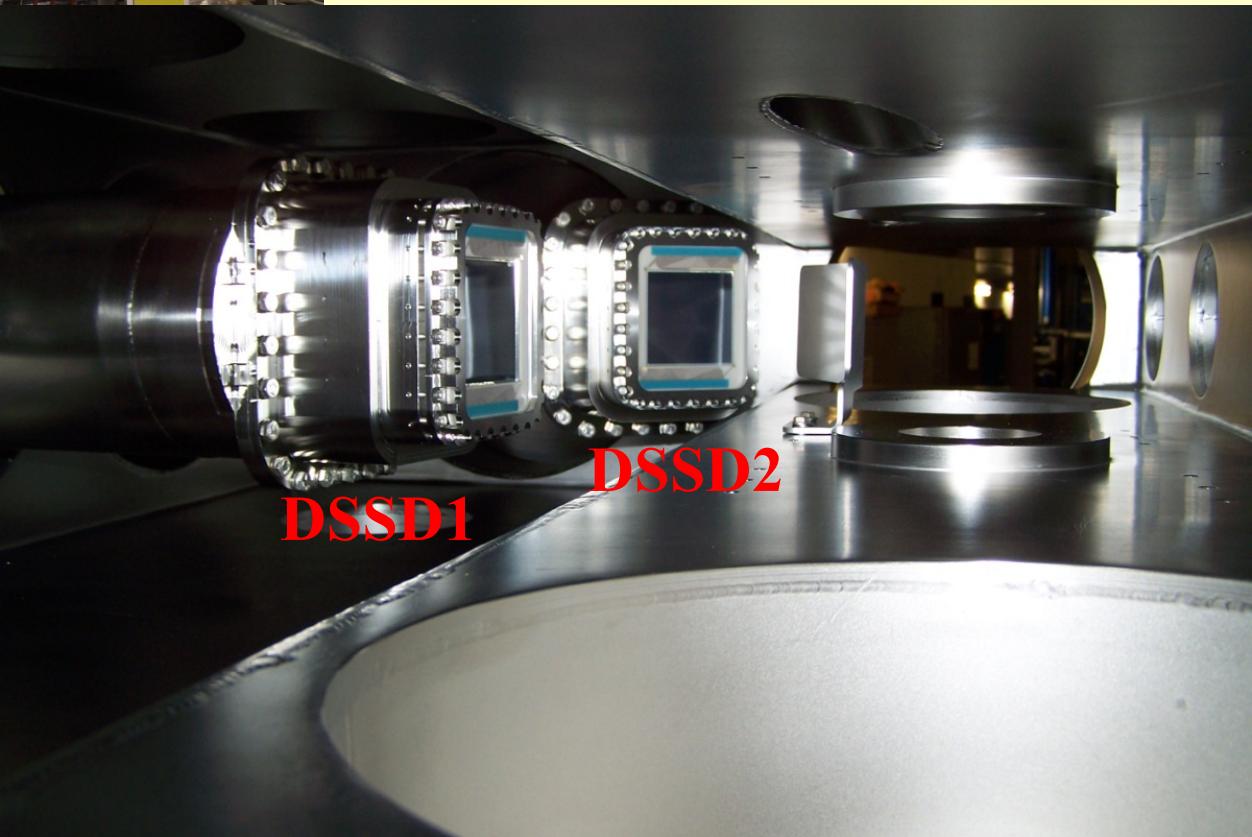
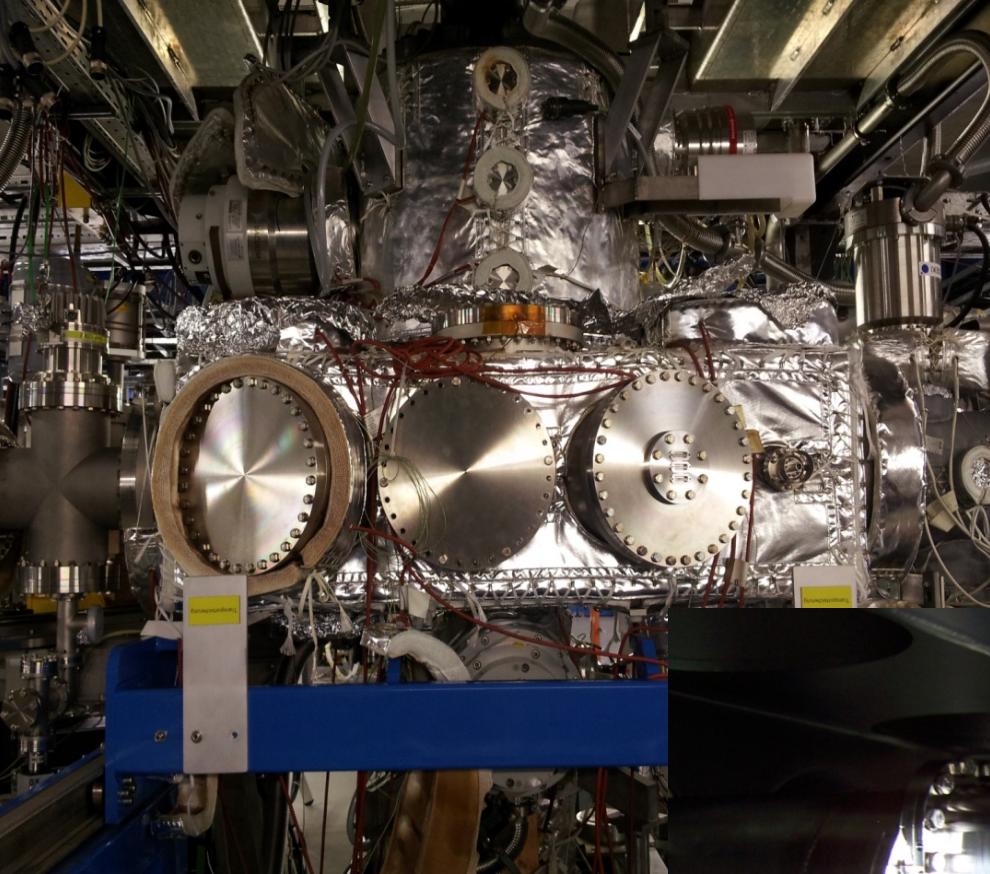


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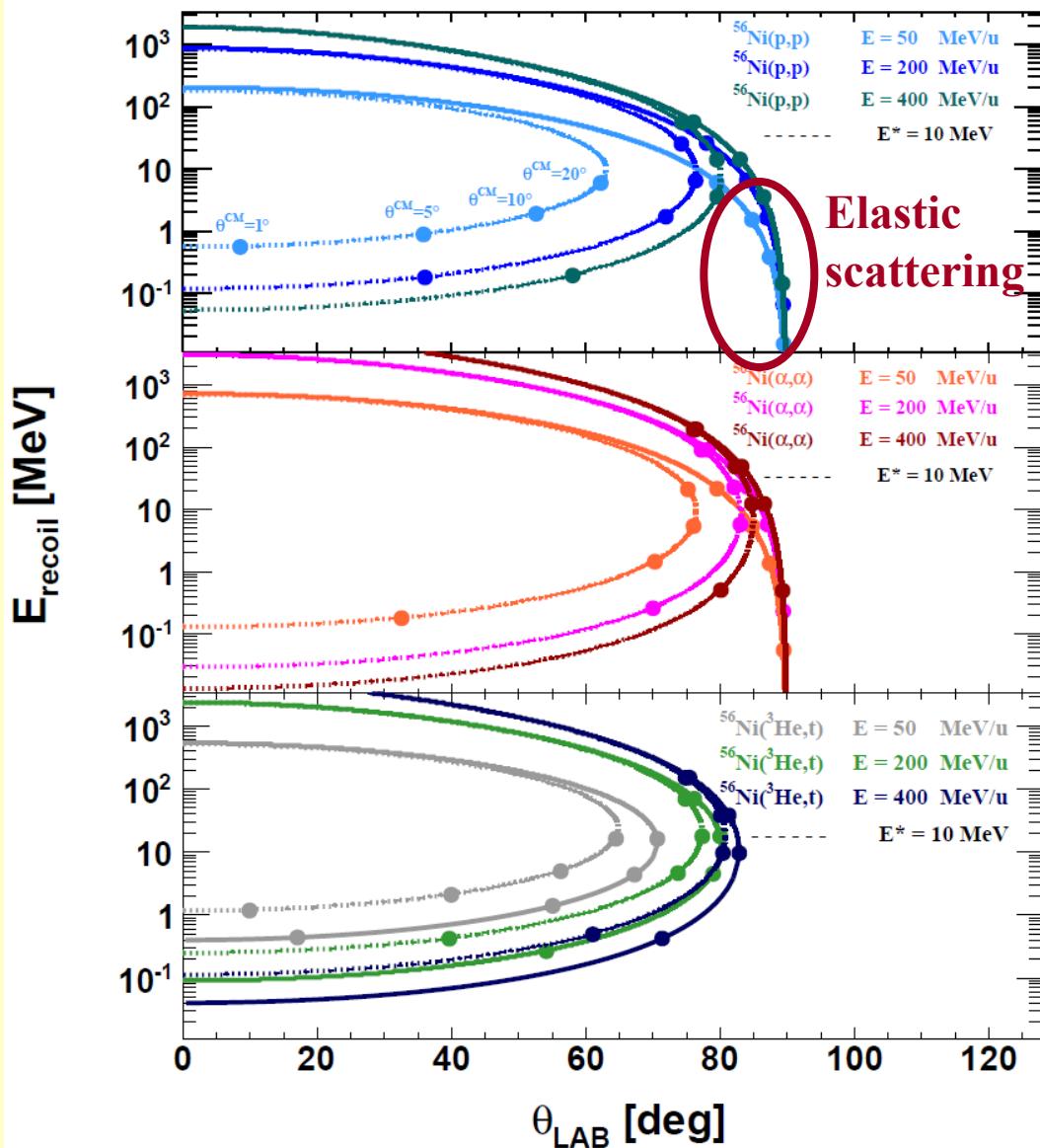


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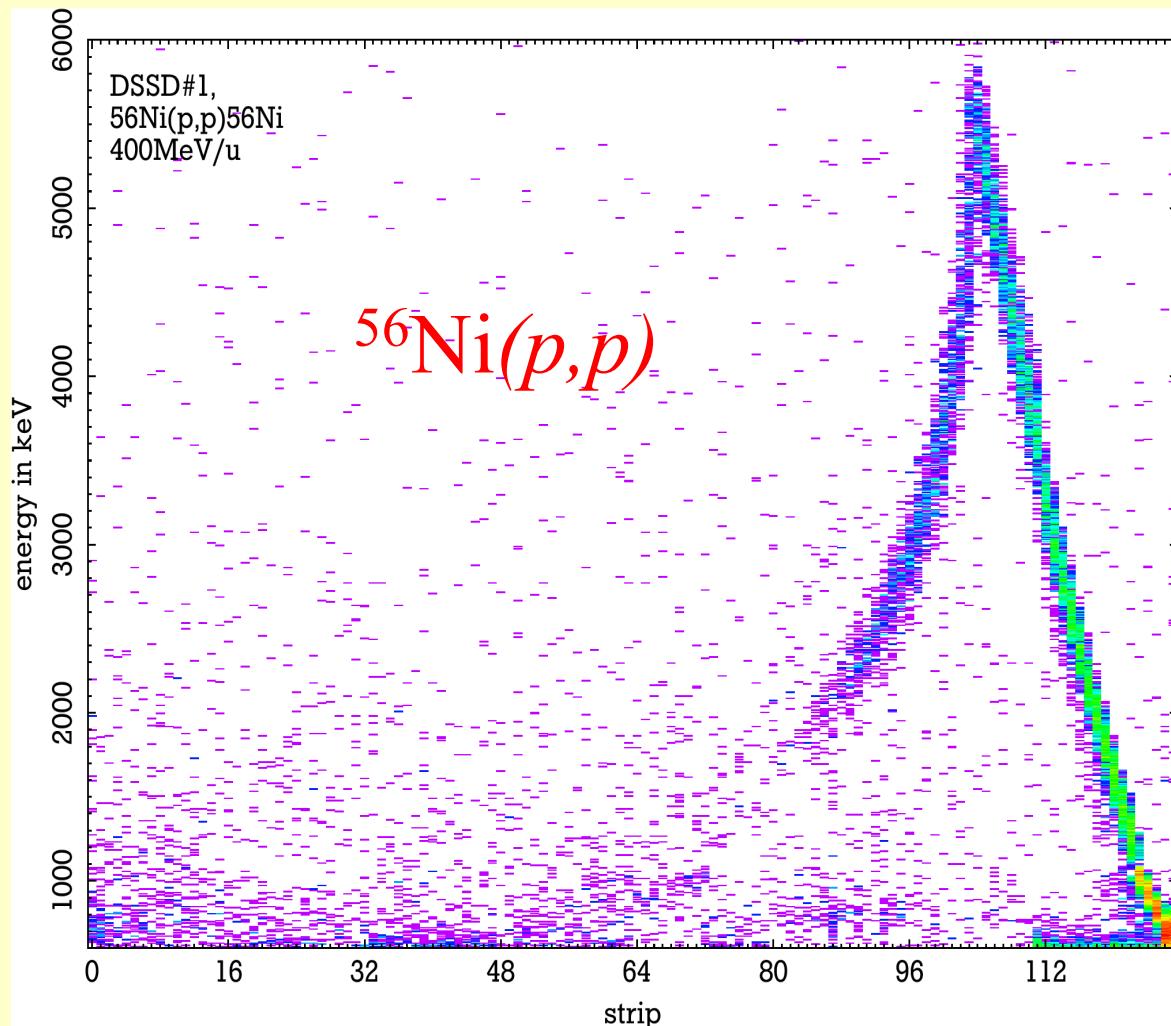
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# First results with radioactive beam

October 25, 2012:

First Nuclear Reaction  
Experiment with Stored  
Radioactive Beam!!!!

Beam energy 400 MeV/u

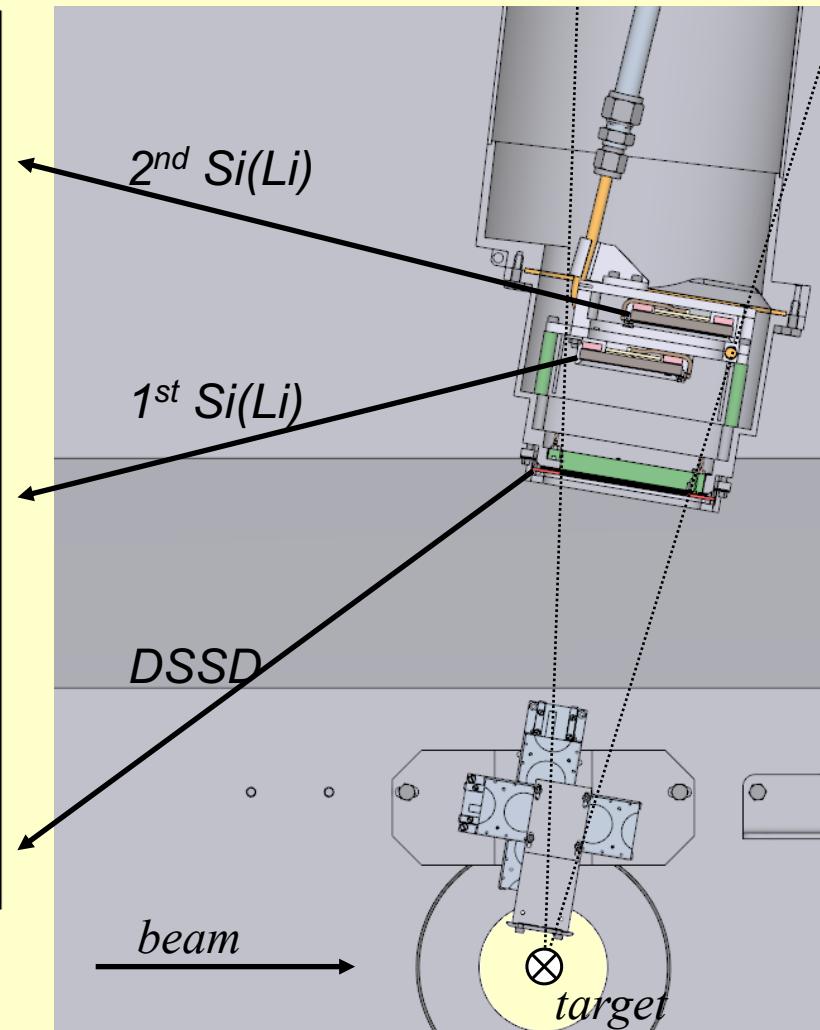
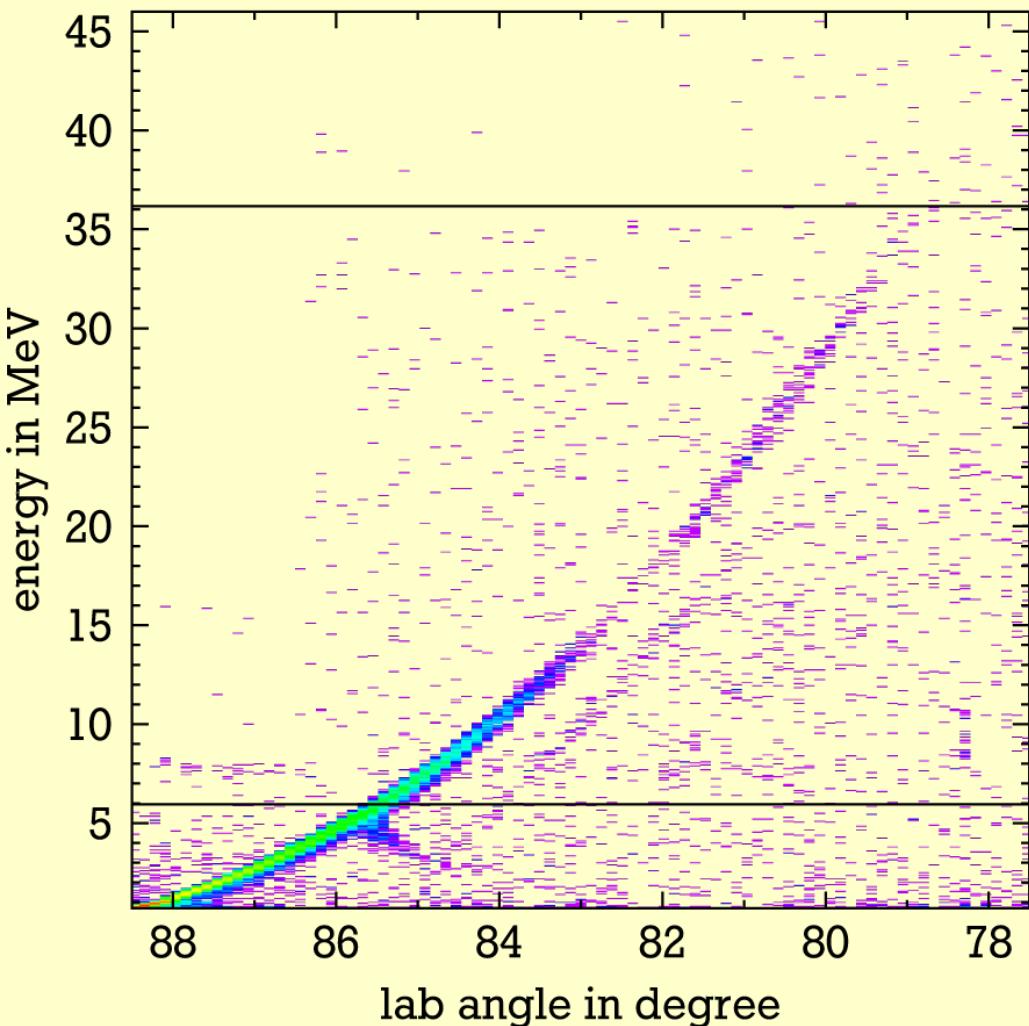


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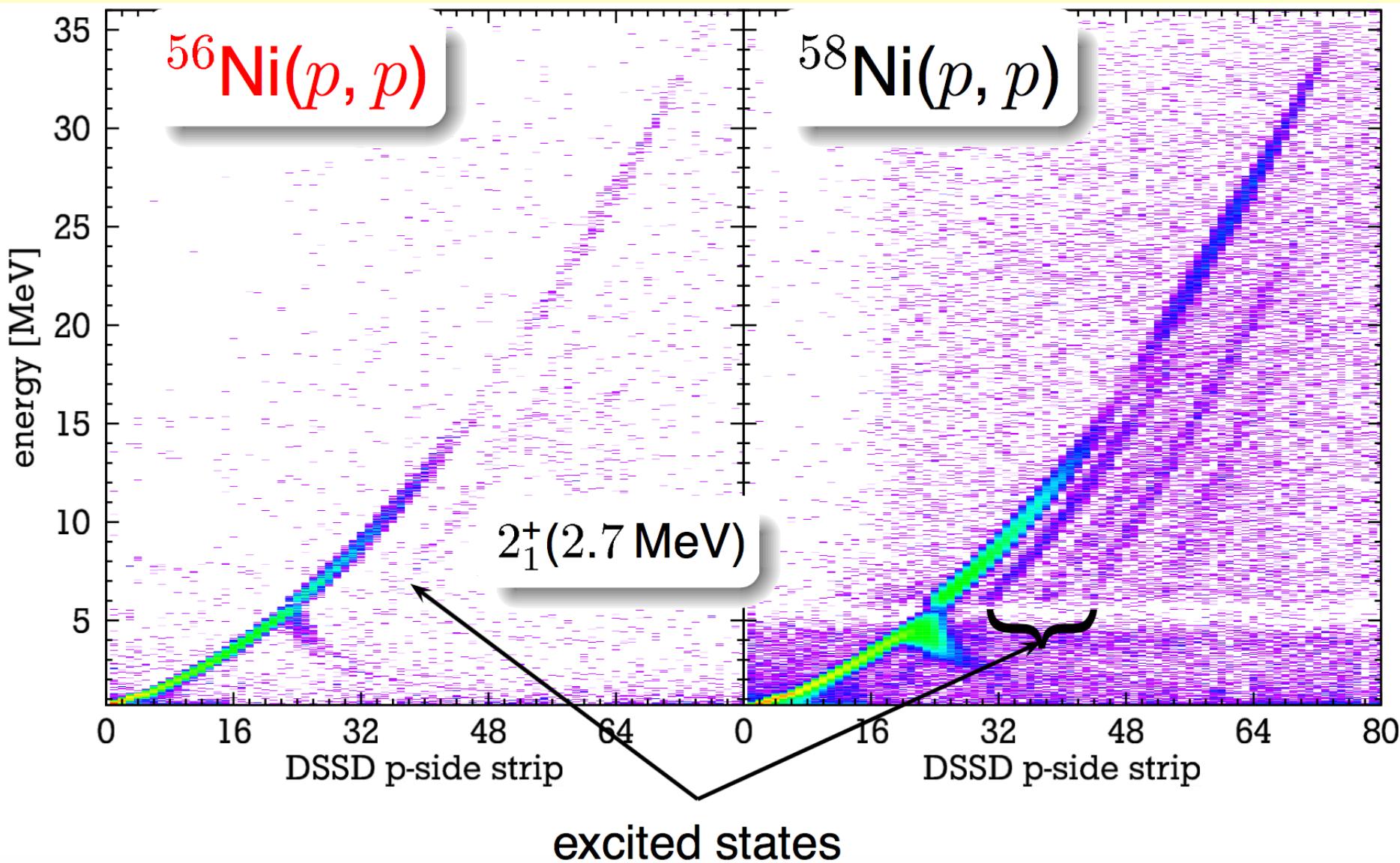
$^{56}\text{Ni}(\text{p},\text{p})$ ,  $E = 400 \text{ MeV/u}$



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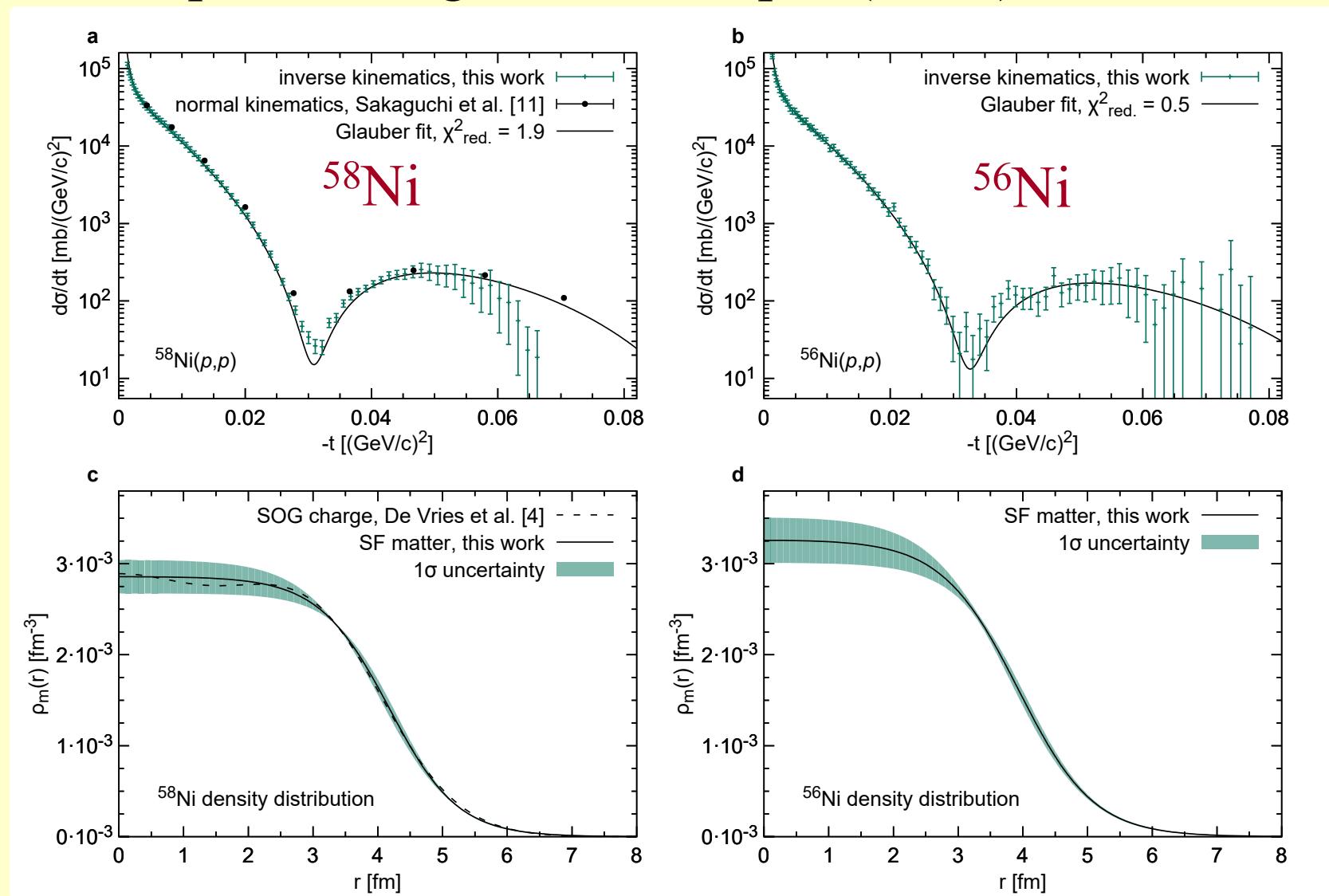
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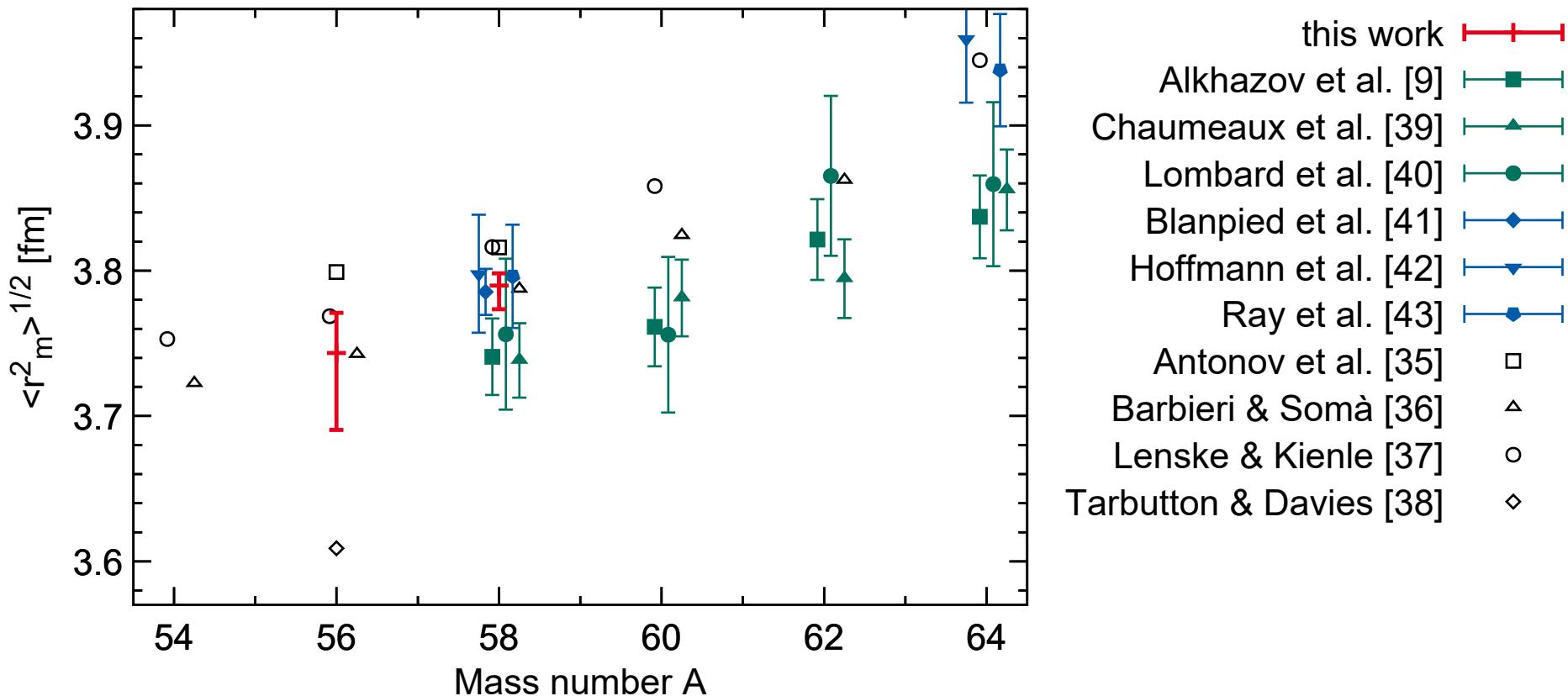


# First results with radioactive beam

- Elastic p-scattering off Ni isotopes (E105)



# First results with radioactive beam and proton target



*M. von Schmid et al., Submitted to Nature*

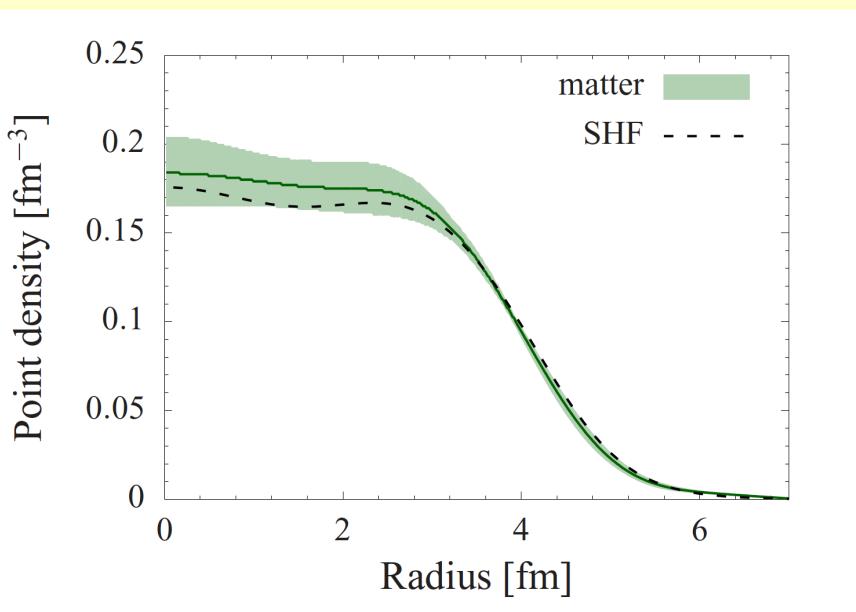


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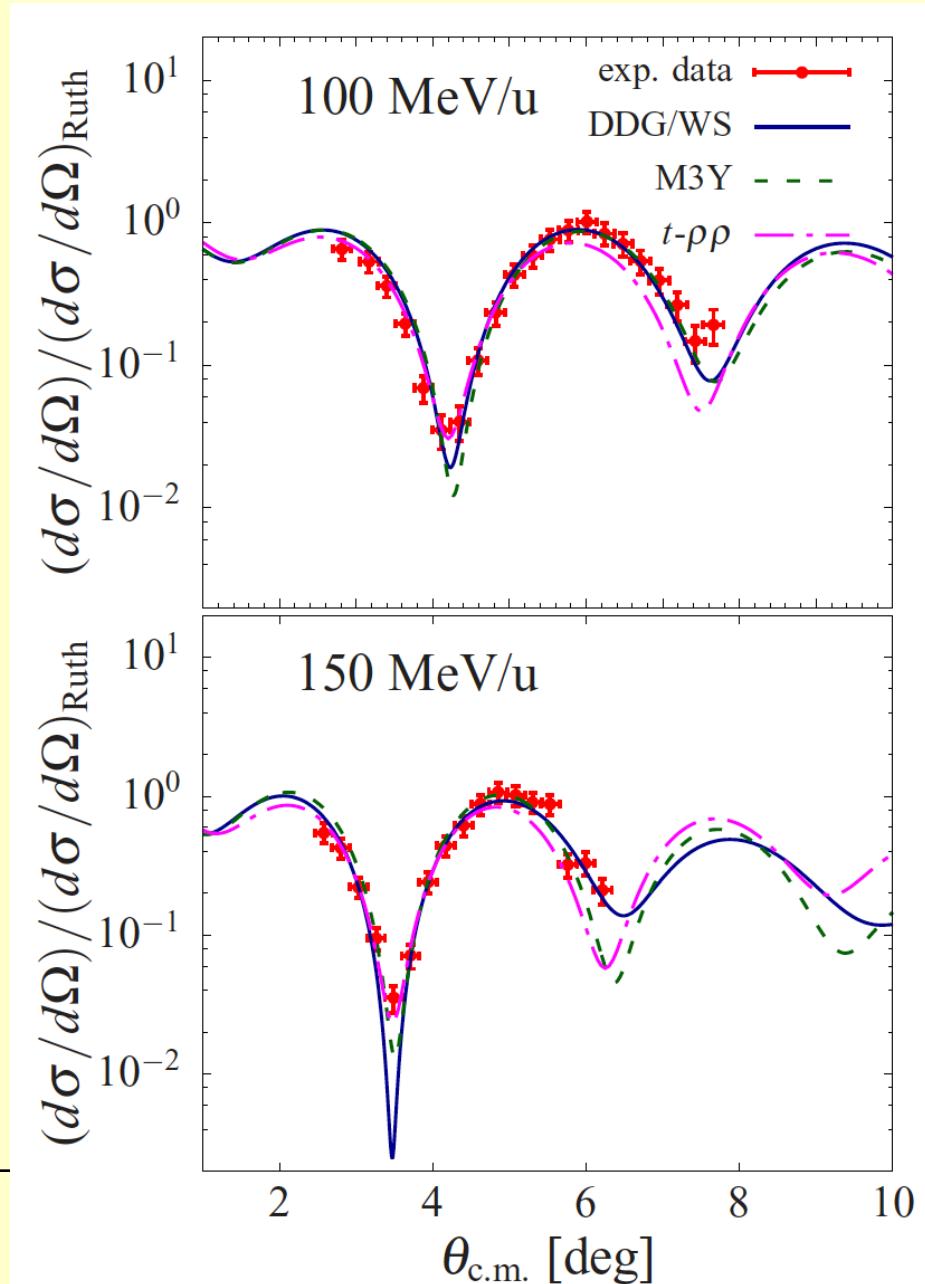
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# Elastic alpha scattering off $^{58}\text{Ni}$ at 100 and 150 MeV/nucleon

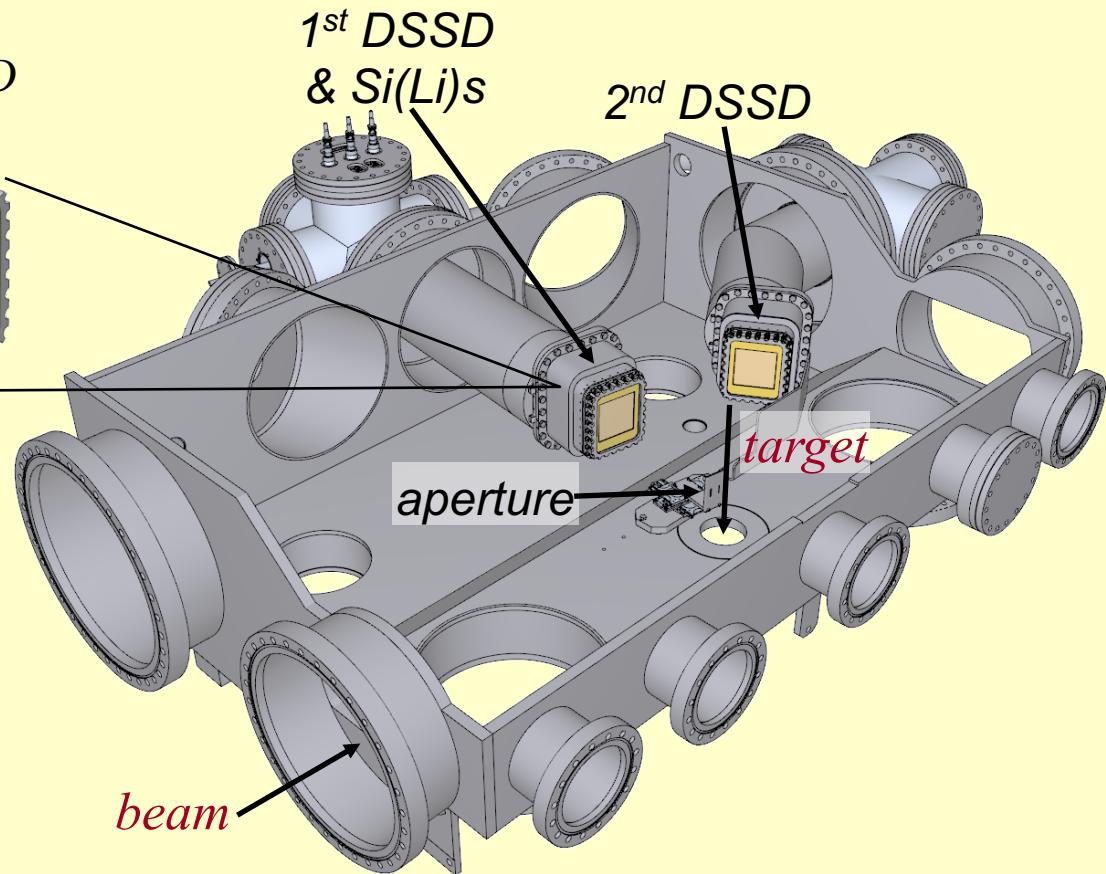
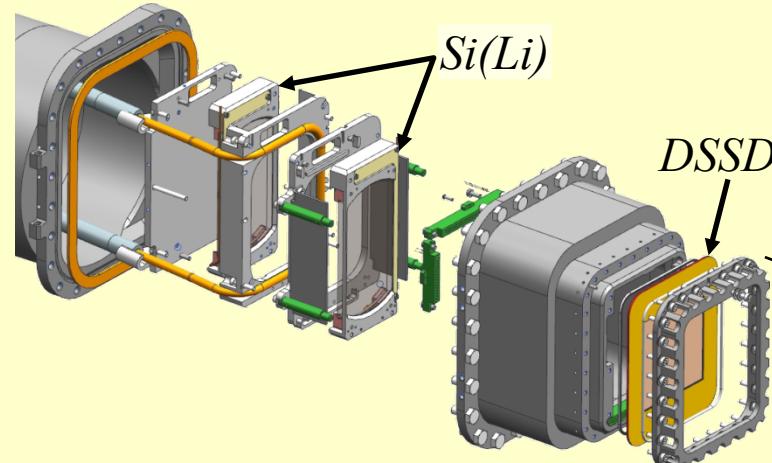
- Ph.D., J.C. Zamora,
- Zamora et al.,  
PRC **96**, 034617 (2017)



Total- $r_{\text{RMS}} = 3.78(7)$  fm  
Point- $r_{\text{RMS}} = 3.70(7)$  fm



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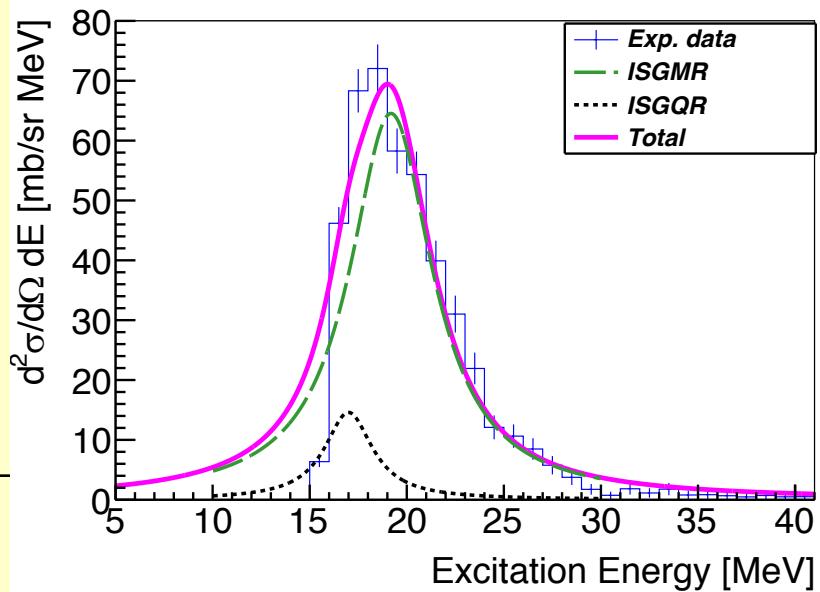
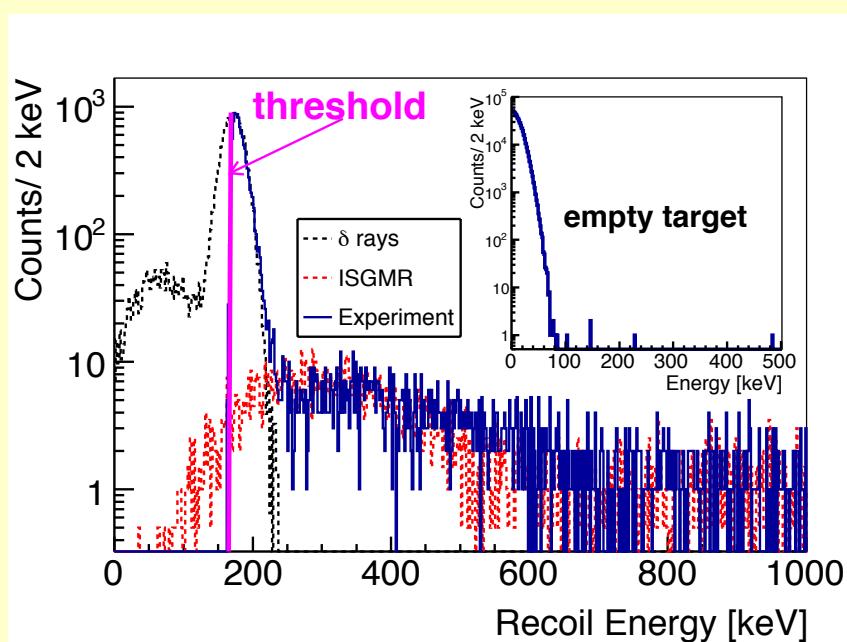
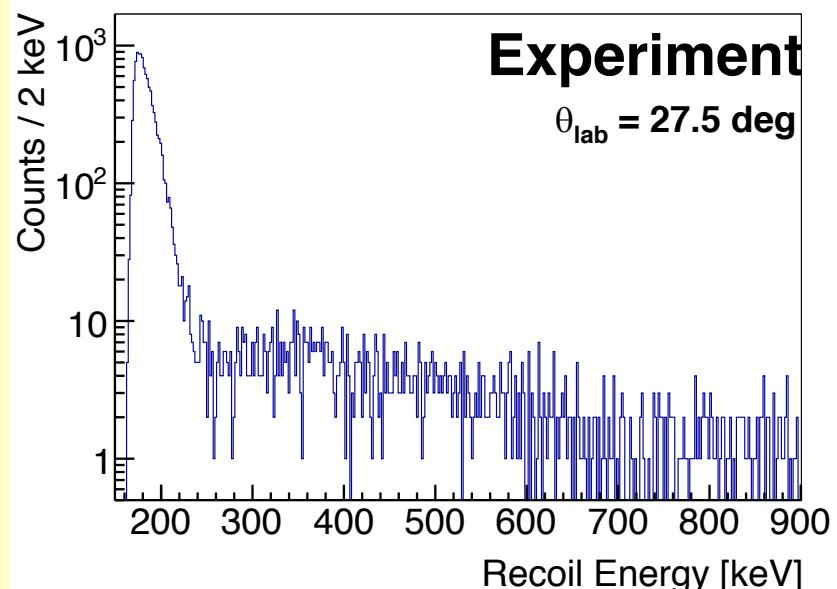
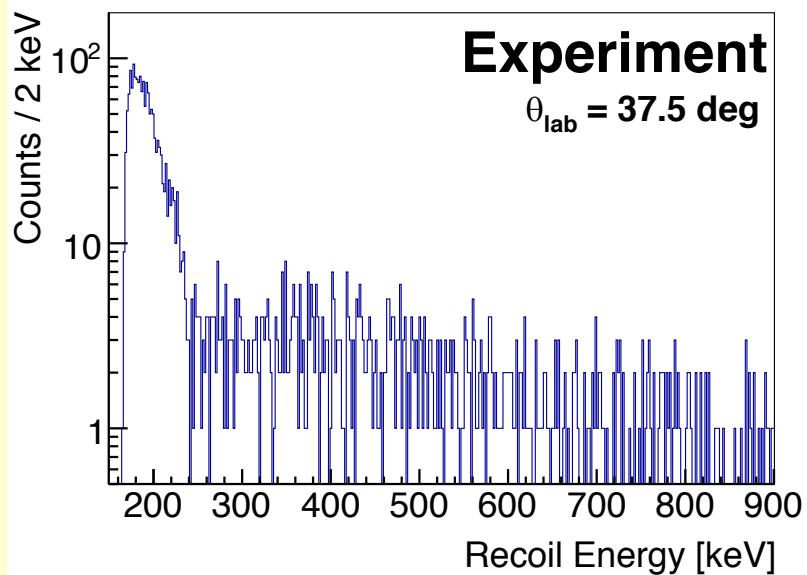
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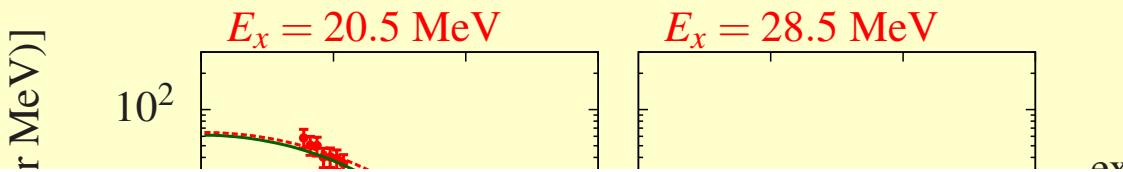
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# Inelastic alpha scattering (100 MeV/nucleon, PhD J.C. Zamora)

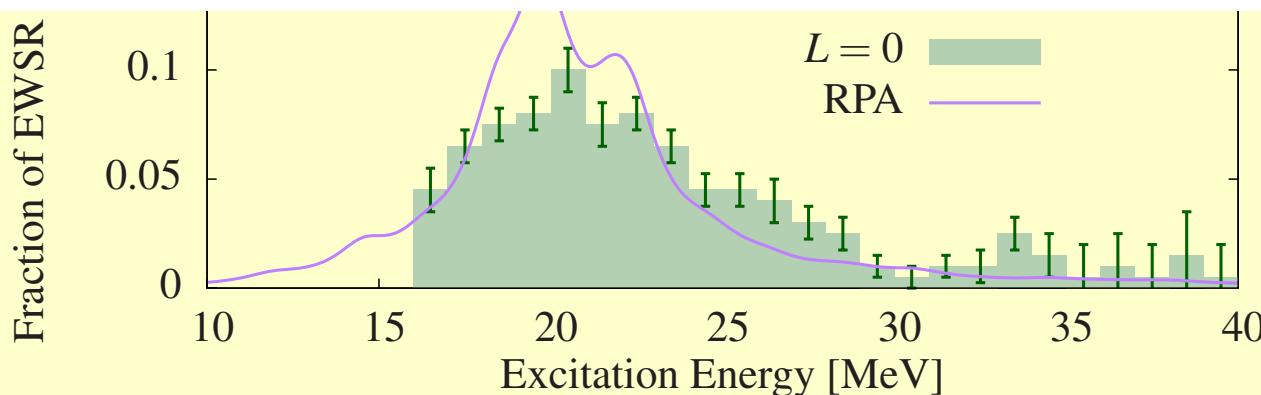


# Inelastic alpha scattering (100 MeV/nucleon) from $^{58}\text{Ni}$

- J.C. Zamora et al., PLB 763, 16 (2016)



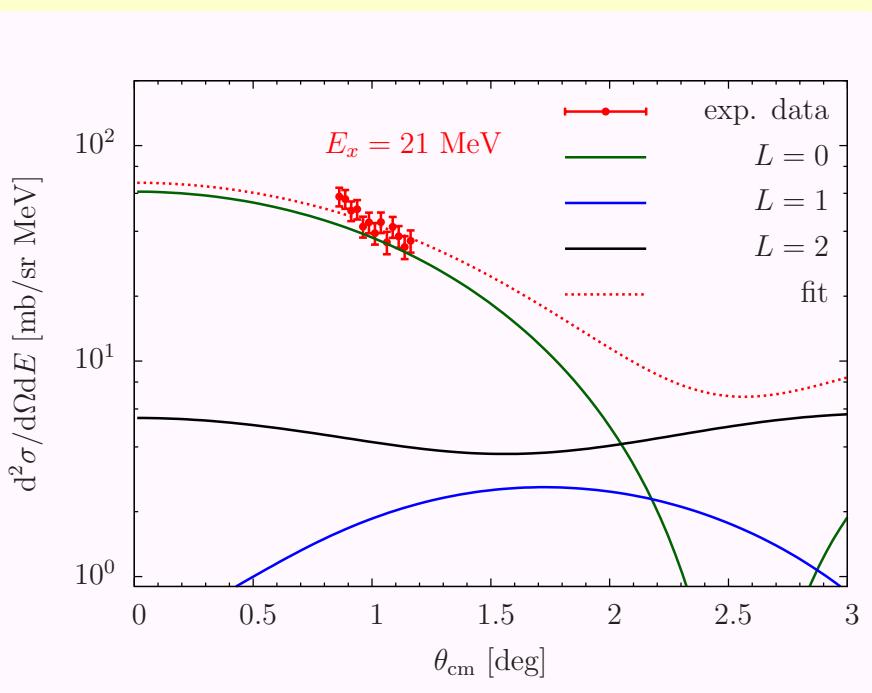
Reference	Centroid [MeV]	Width <sub>RMS</sub> [MeV]	EWSR [%]
this work	20.5(6)	4.6(6)	$79^{+12}_{-11}$
PRC 73, 014314 (2006)	$19.20^{+0.44}_{-0.19}$	$4.89^{+1.05}_{-0.31}$	$85^{+13}_{-10}$
PRC 61, 067307 (2000)	$20.30^{+1.69}_{-0.14}$	$4.25^{+0.69}_{-0.23}$	$74^{+22}_{-12}$
PLB 637, 43 (2006)	$19.9^{+0.7}_{-0.8}$	-	$92^{+4}_{-3}$



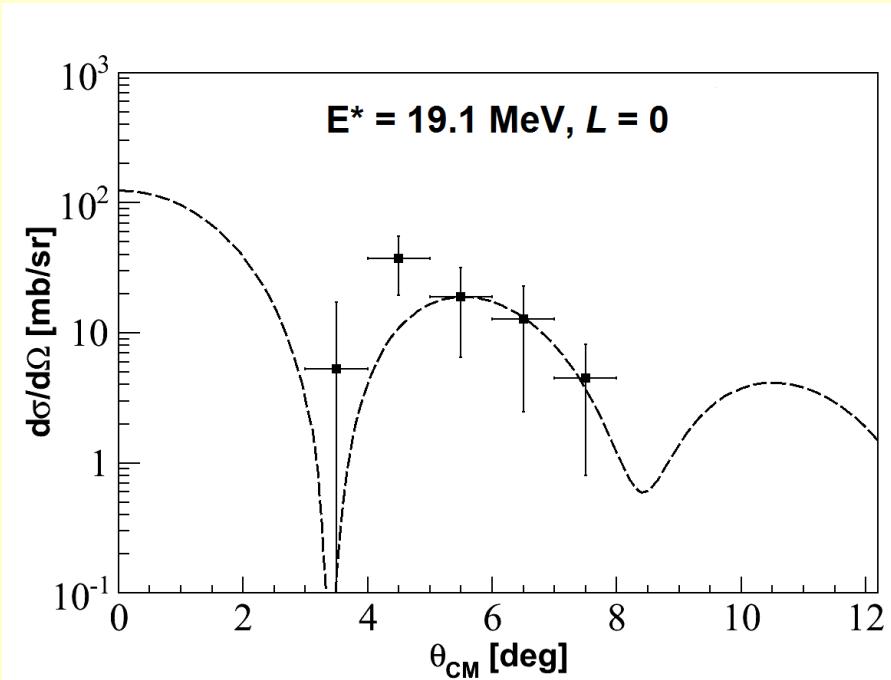
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# Monopole mode in $^{58}\text{Ni}$ and $^{56}\text{Ni}$ : Ring vs. active target



$^{58}\text{Ni}$



$^{56}\text{Ni}$



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# Conclusions and outlook

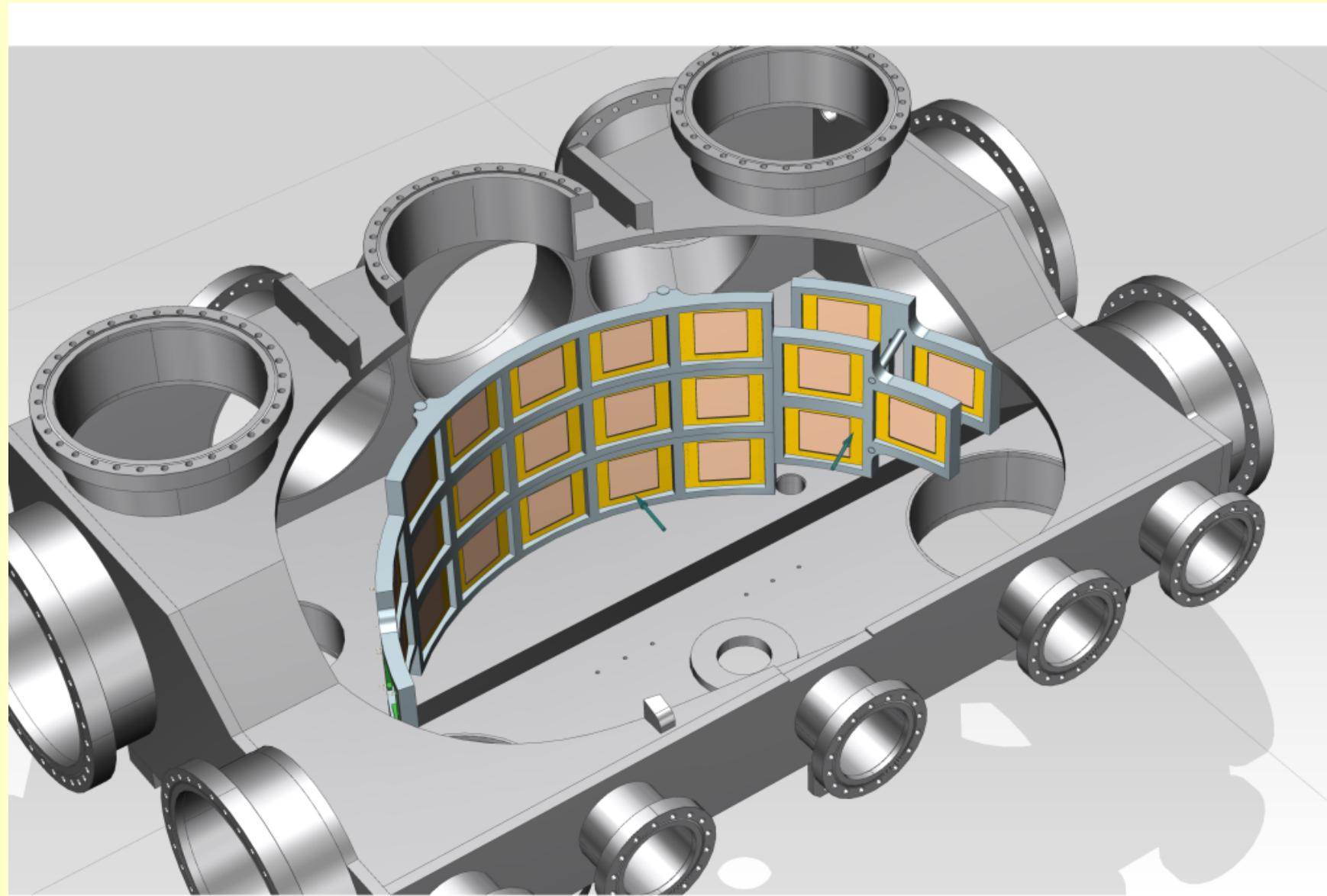
- Large efforts are taking place for both the ring environments as well as for active targets.
- Bulk properties (radius, compressibility etc.) are the main subject of the present low-q measurements.
- The goal is to go towards neutron-rich medium heavy and heavy nuclei (astrophysical processes).
- First measurements are done with Ni isotopes.
- First physics measurements have already produced beautiful results.
- More measurements are planned with both systems (ESR, HESR, ACTAR ...), but with major improvements and for various reactions.



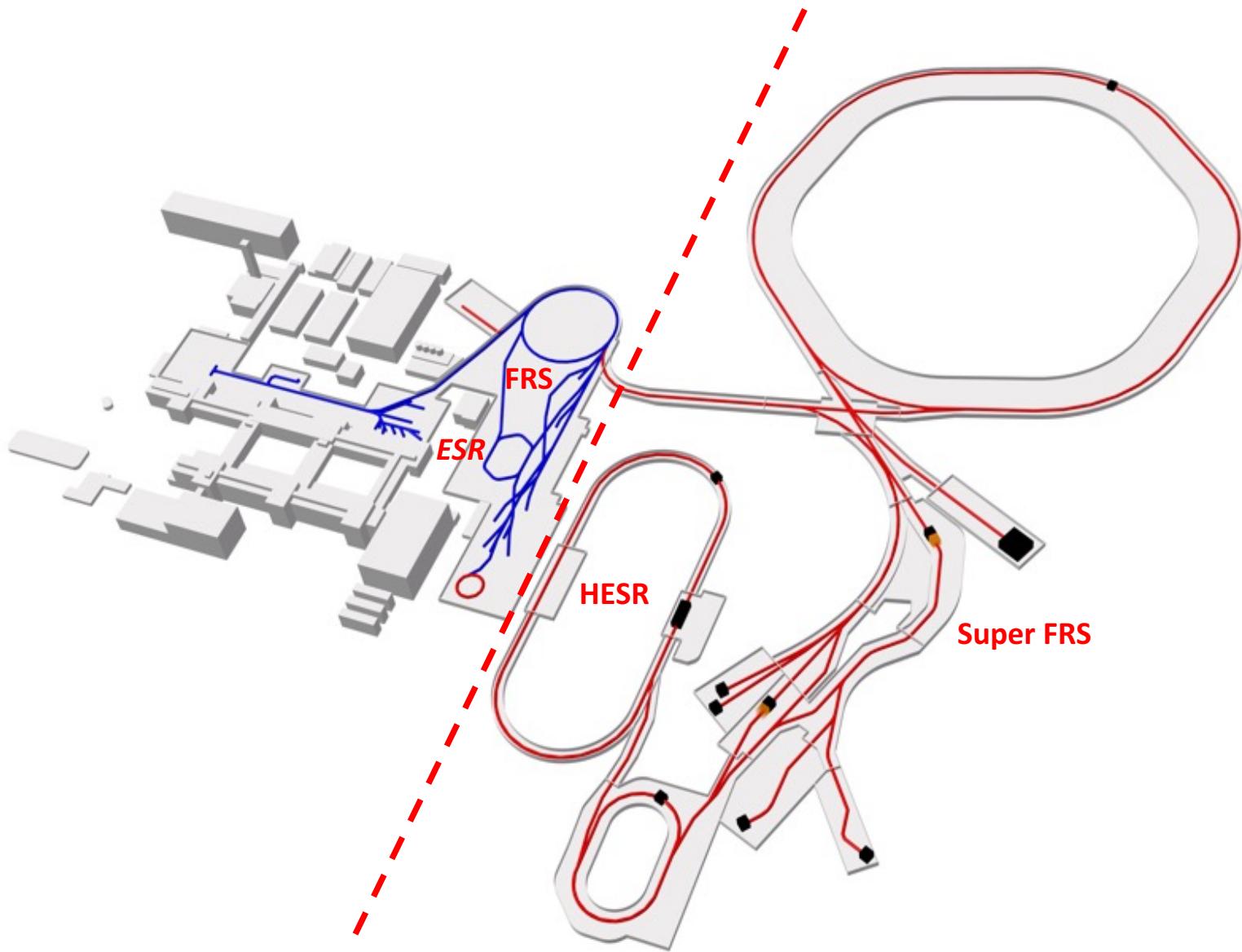
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# Upgrade of the first EXL experiment



# GSI and FAIR



# The EXL-E105 Collaboration



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