

# Experimental activities NEA DB

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# Content

Experimental activities

Sources:     NDW fall 2013, NEEDS  
                  ERINDA final workshop  
                  ANDES final workshop  
                  IRMM  
                  n\_TOF



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# ANDES

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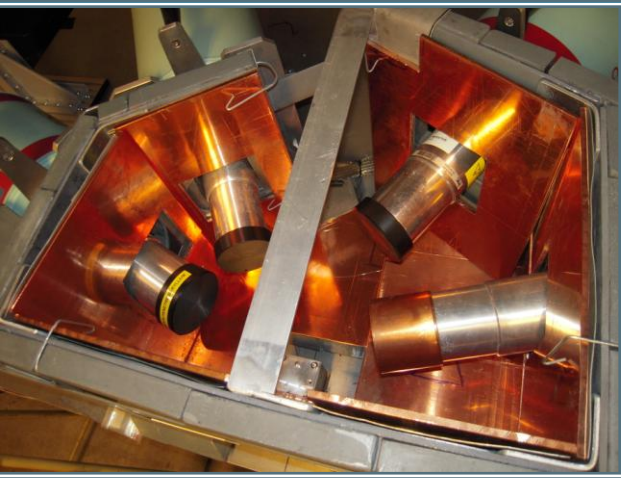


## Accurate nuclear data for nuclear energy sustainability

Coordinator: Enrique Gonzalez **Ciemat**  
Measurements, evaluation, validation

3 M€ EC contribution, ~6M€ total effort  
20 partners, 2010-2013

Inspired by HPRL, SG26, SG25,  
MANREAD, EUROTRANS-NUDATRA,  
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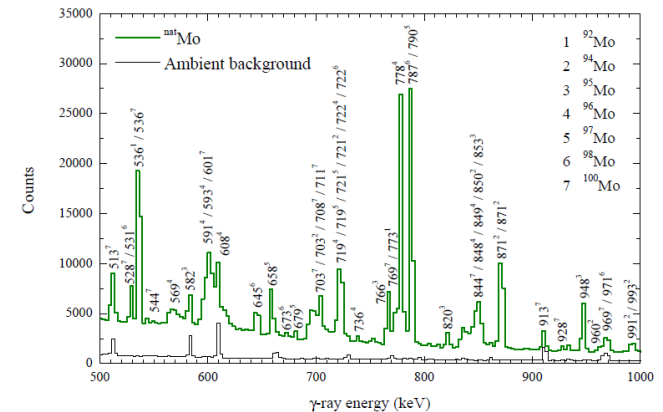
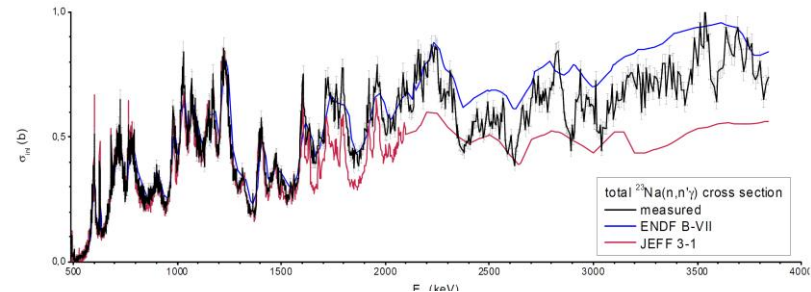
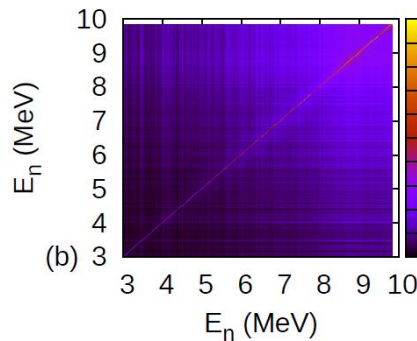
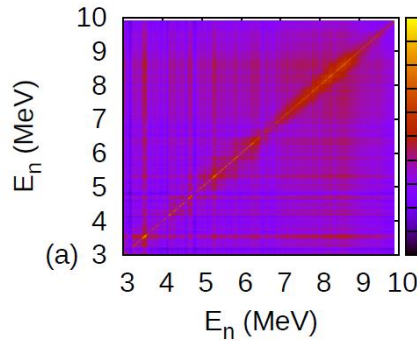
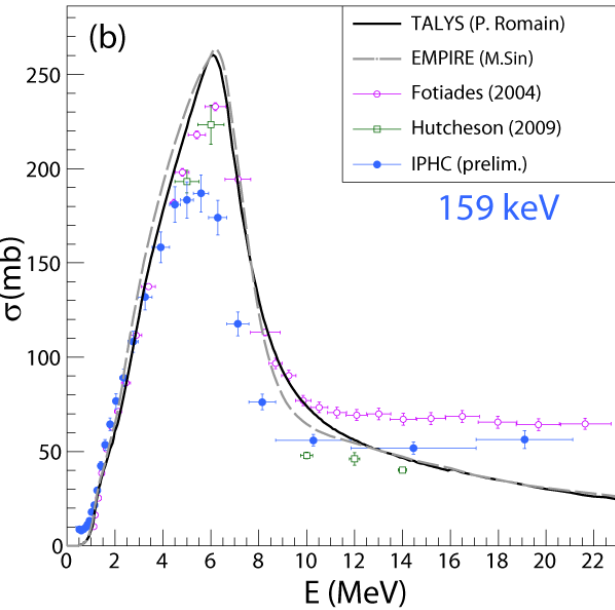


**$^{238}\text{U}(n,n'g)$**   
 Bacquias et al.  
 IPHC

**Covariances**  
 Negret et al.  
 IFIN-HH



**$\text{Na,Zr,Mo}(n,n'g)$**   
 C. Rouki, N. Nyman et al.  
 IRMM



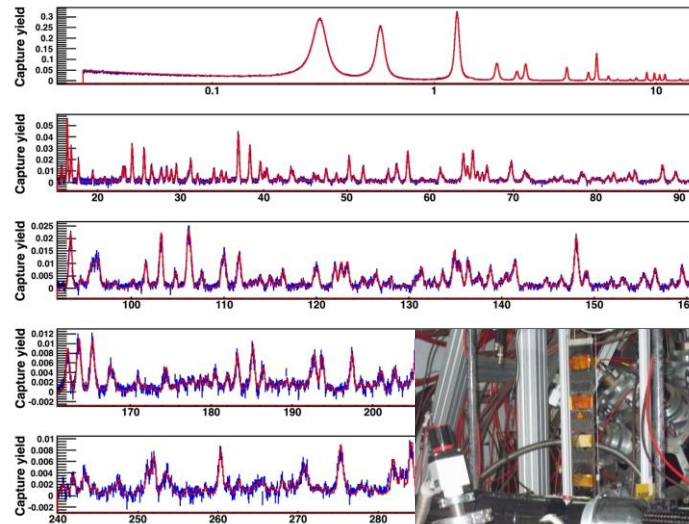
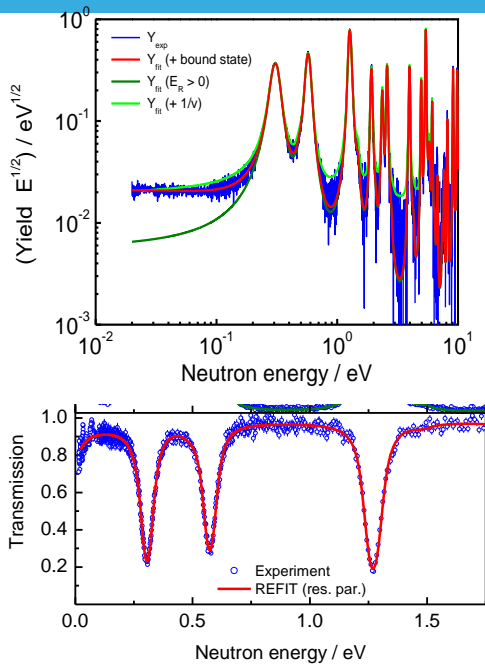
# Publications

$^{235}\text{U}(n,n'g)$  M. Kerveno et al. (IPHC) PRC 87 (2013) 024609  
 $^{28}\text{Si}(n,n'g)$  A. Negret et al. (IFIN-HH) PRC 88 (2013) 034604  
 $^{23}\text{Na}(n,n'g)$  C. Rouki et al. (IRMM) NIM A 672 (2012) 82  
 $^{23}\text{Na}(n,n'g)$  P. Archier et al. (CEA/Cad) NDS in print (eval.)

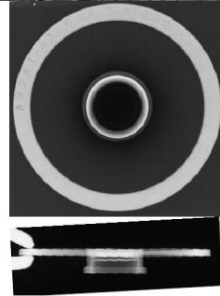
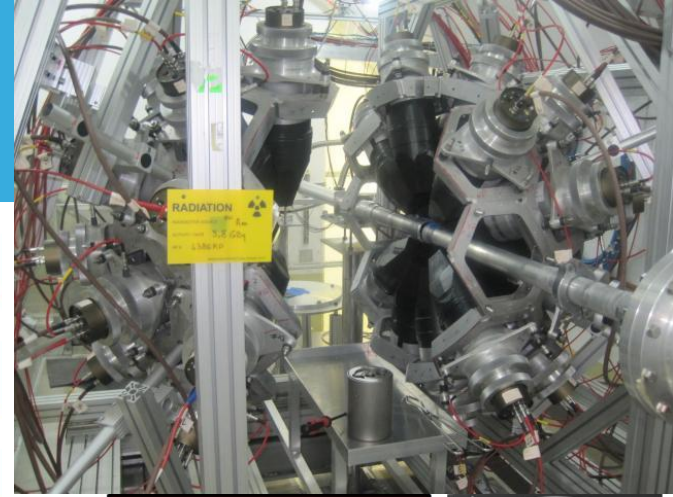
JEFF-3.2:  $^{23}\text{Na}$  evaluation based on new data  
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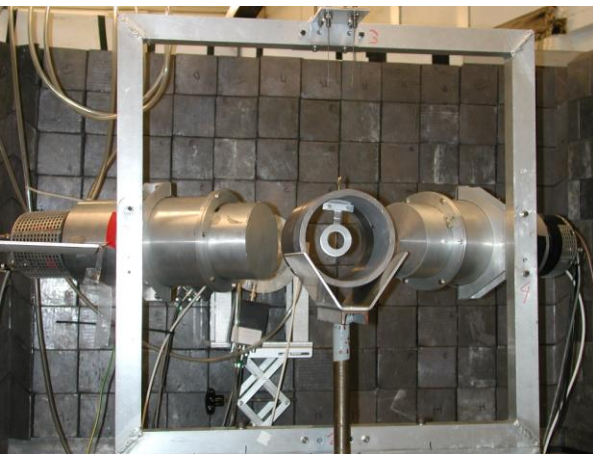
## $^{241}\text{Am}(n,g)$



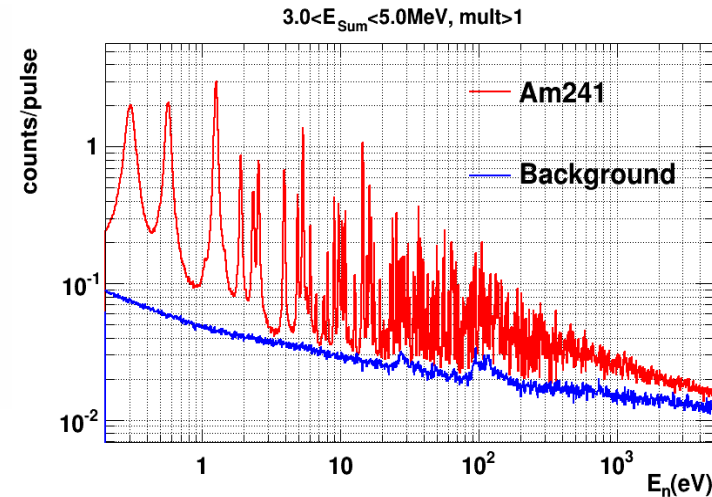
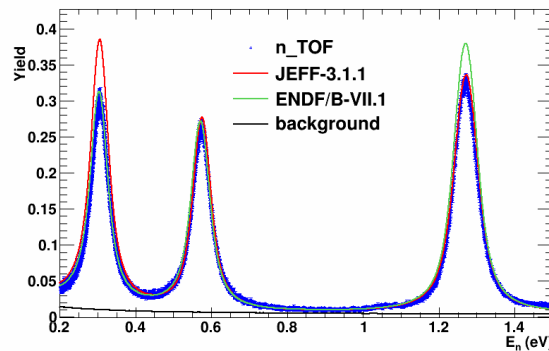
Fraval et al.



Mendoza et al.



Schillebeeckx et al.  
19 May 2014

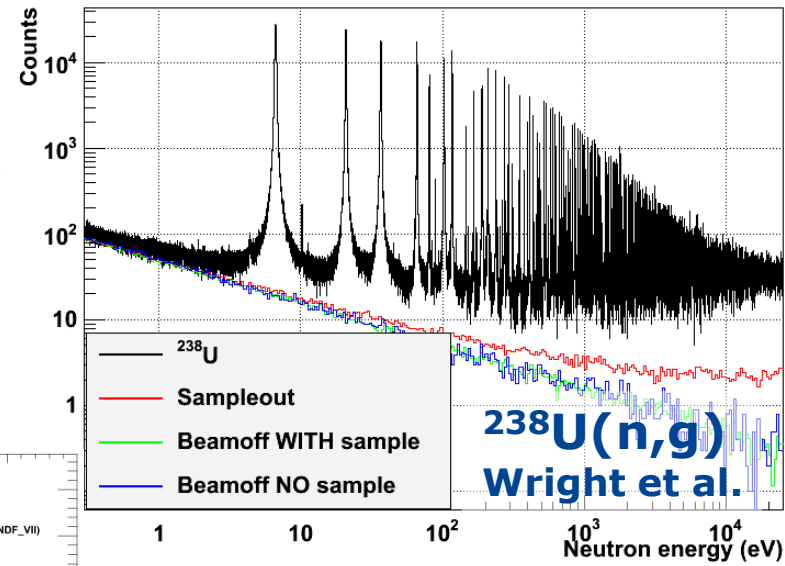
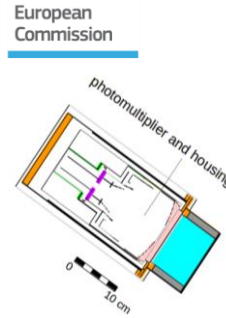
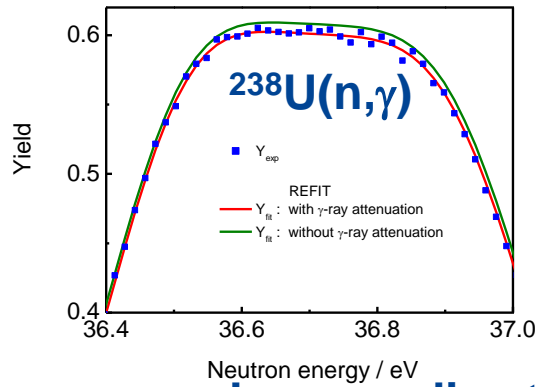
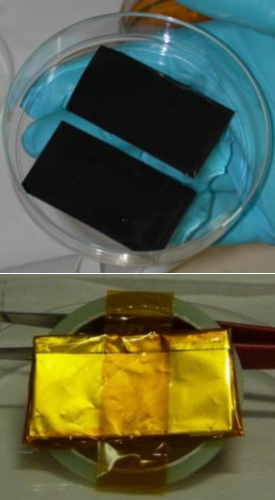


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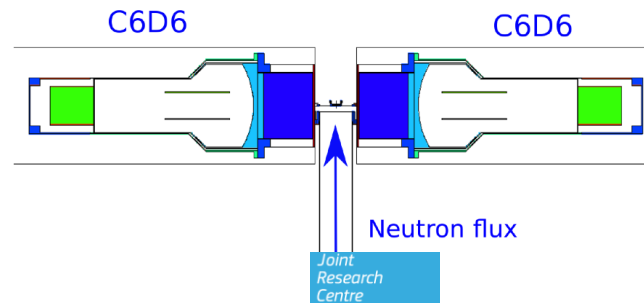
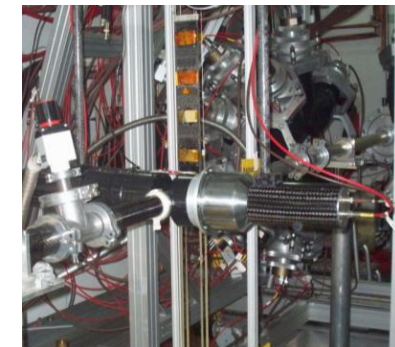
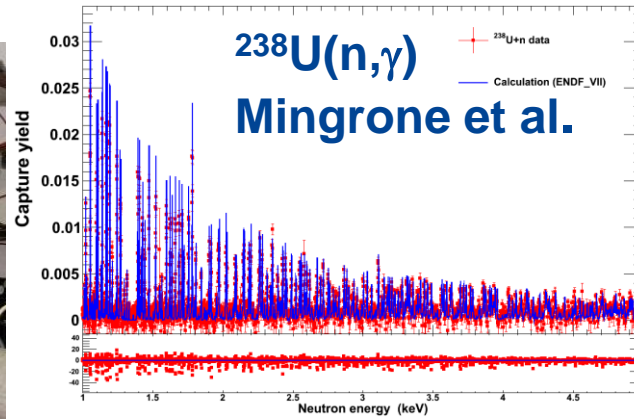
$^{241}\text{Am}(n,g+\text{tot})$  C. Lampoudis et al. EPJ+ 128 (2013) 86 (IRMM)  
 $^{241}\text{Am}(n,g)$  K. Fraval et al. PRC 89 (2014) 044609  
(CERN n\_TOF, C6D6)

JEFF-3.2:  $^{241}\text{Am}$  evaluation based on new data IRMM

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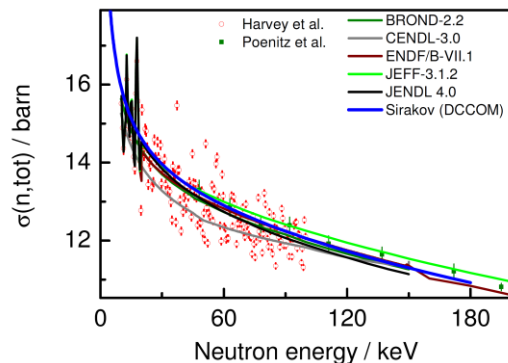
Lampoudis et al.



# Status $^{238}\text{U}$ RR

See summary Schillebeeckx SG-40 CIELO

## $^{238}\text{U}(n,\text{tot})$ in URR



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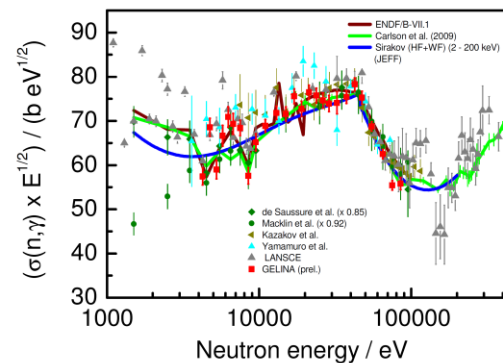
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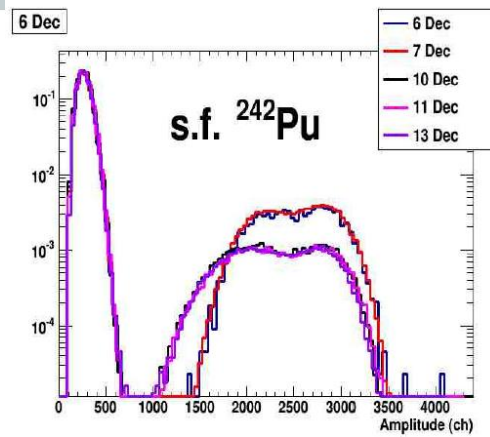
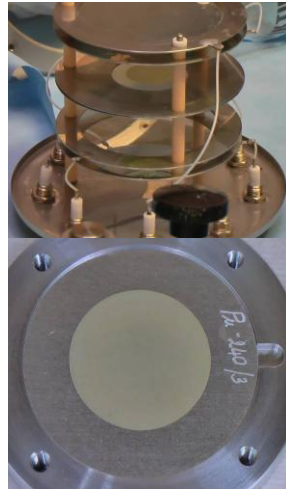
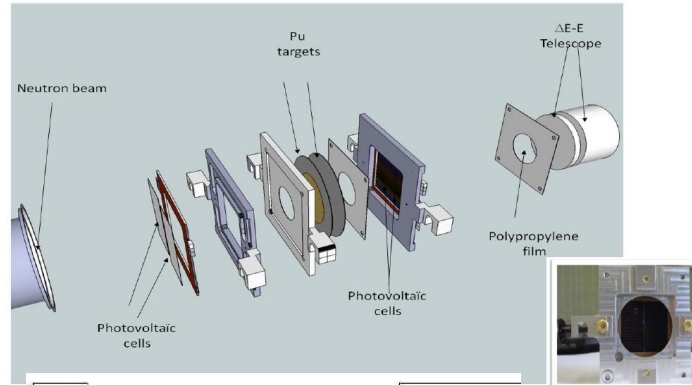
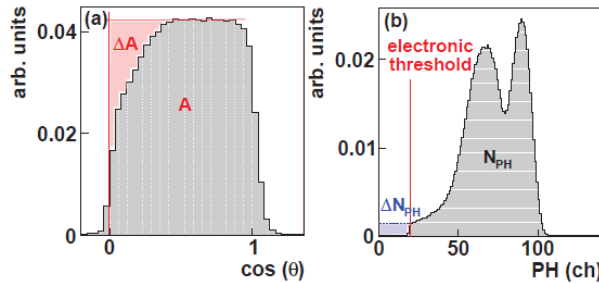
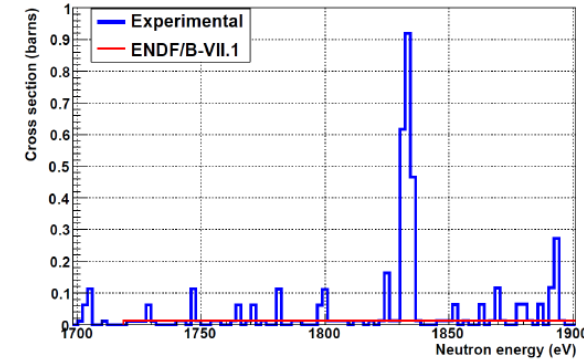
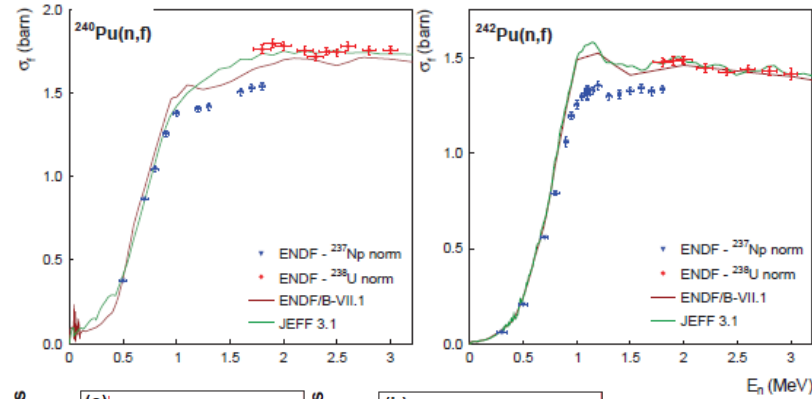
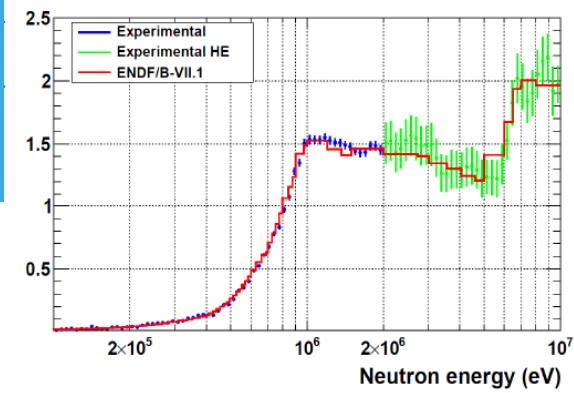
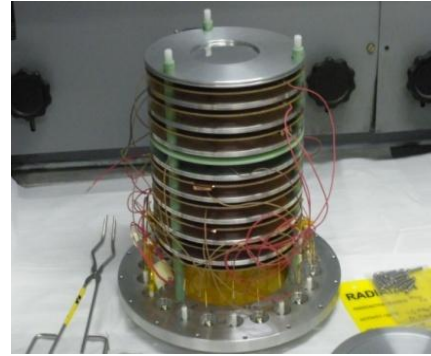
$$T_{\gamma,1/2-} = 6.46 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

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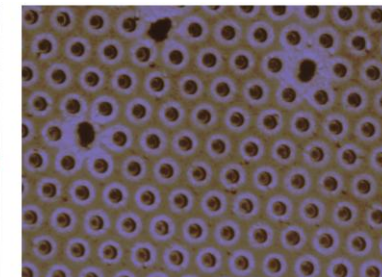
## $^{240,242}\text{Pu}(n,f)$



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**N\_TOF: A. Tsinganis et al.**  
**IRMM: P. Salvador et al.**  
**CENBG: M. Aïche et al.**



# Status

Ongoing work:

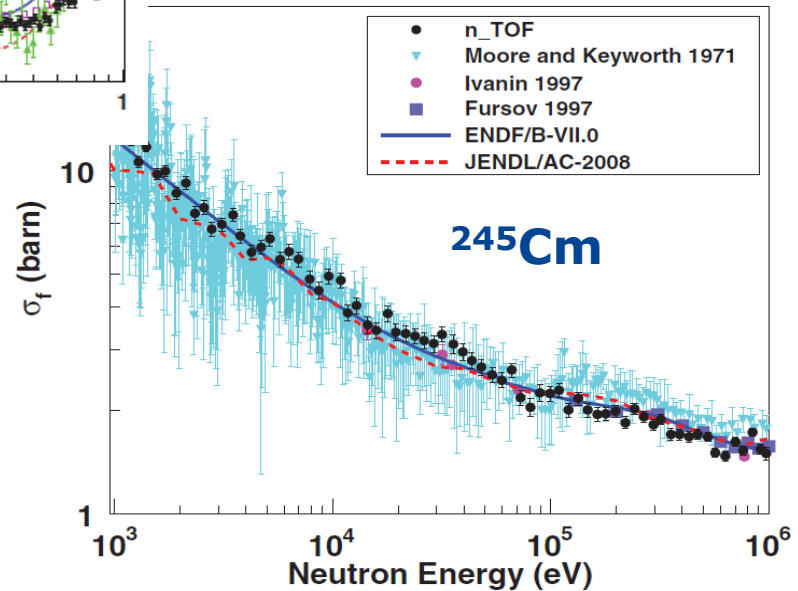
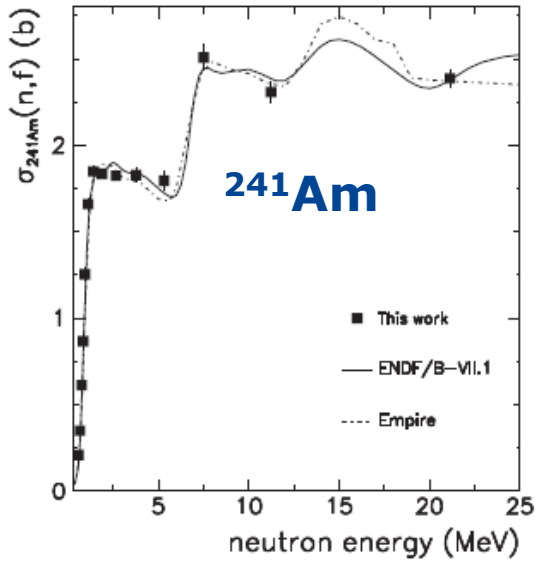
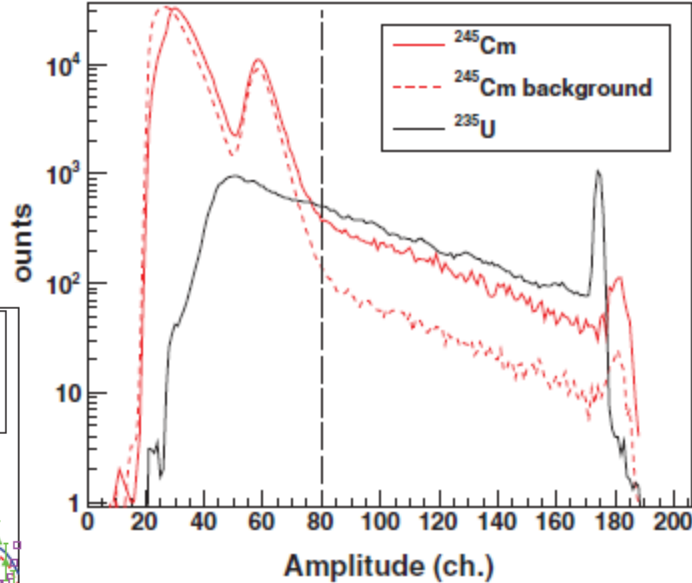
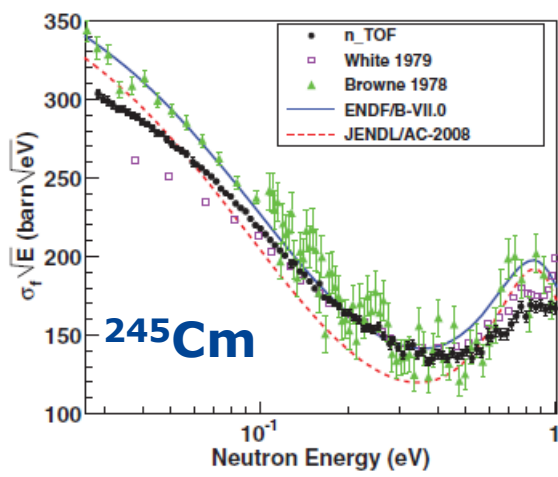
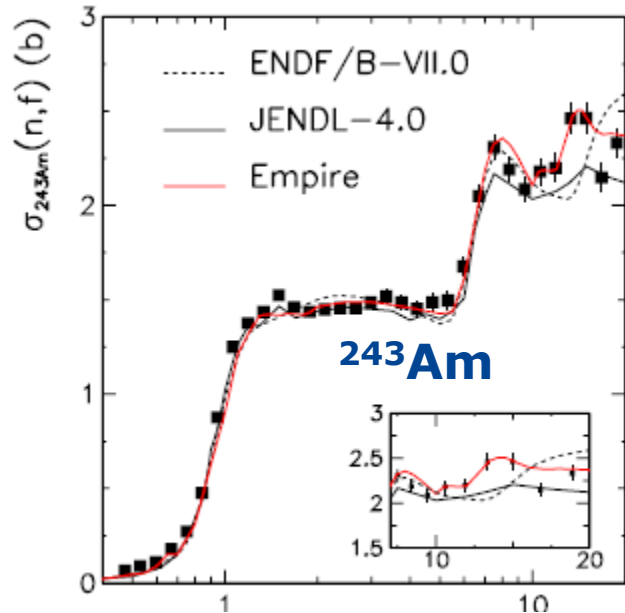
check normalization vs  $^{237}\text{Np}(n,f)$

data analysis remaining measurements IRMM, n\_TOF, CENBG

Salvador-Castiñeira et al., Highly accurate measurements of the spontaneous fission half-life of  $^{240,242}\text{Pu}$ , PRC 88 (2013) 064611

# ANDES WP1

$^{241,243}\text{Am}, ^{245}\text{Cm}(n,f)$

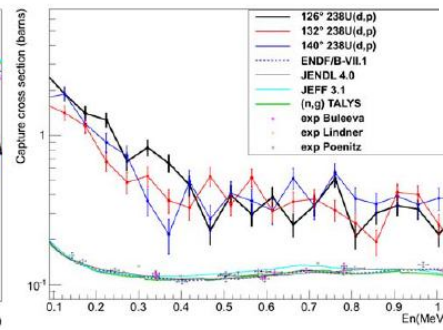
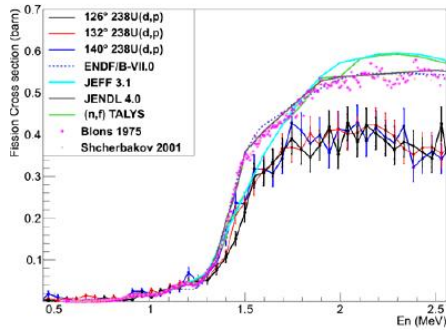
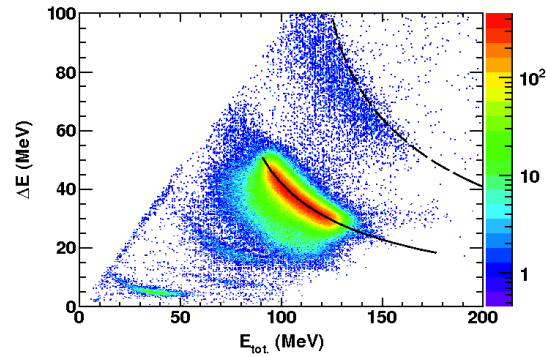
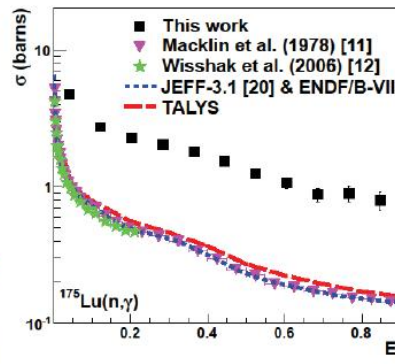
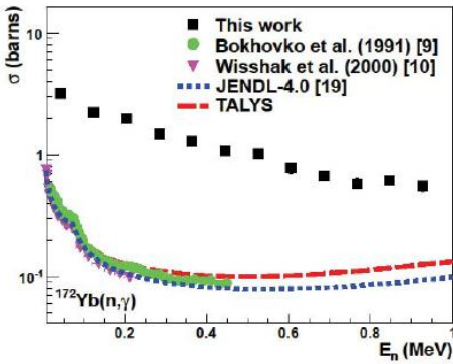
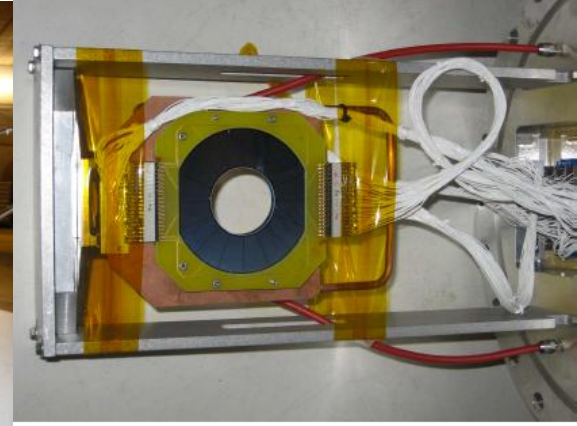
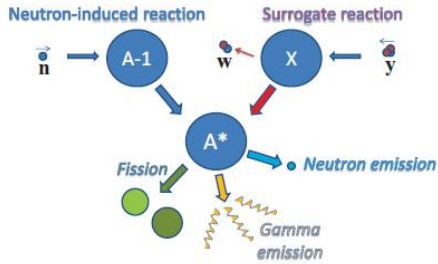


Calviani et al.:  $^{245}\text{Cm}(n,f)$ , PRC85(2012)034616

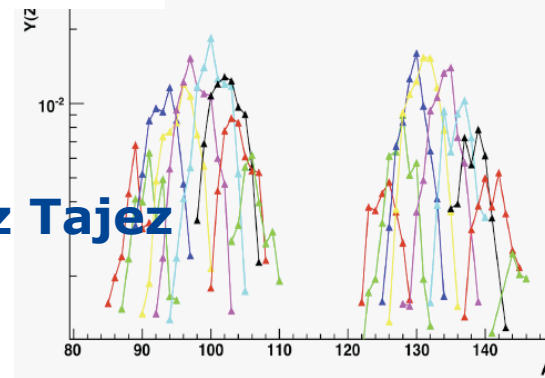
Belloni et al.,  $^{241}\text{Am}(n,f)$  EPJA49(2013)2

Belloni et al.,  $^{243}\text{Am}(n,f)$  EPJA47(2011)160

# ANDES WP1 Surrogata



$^{38}\text{U}, ^{240}\text{Pu})^{10}\text{Be}, E^* \approx 10 \text{ MeV}$

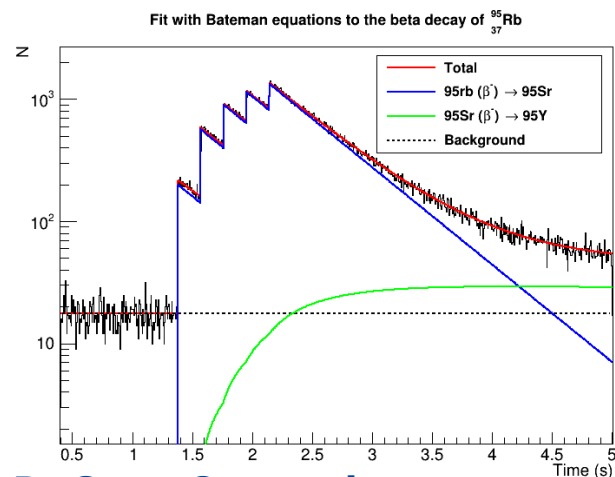
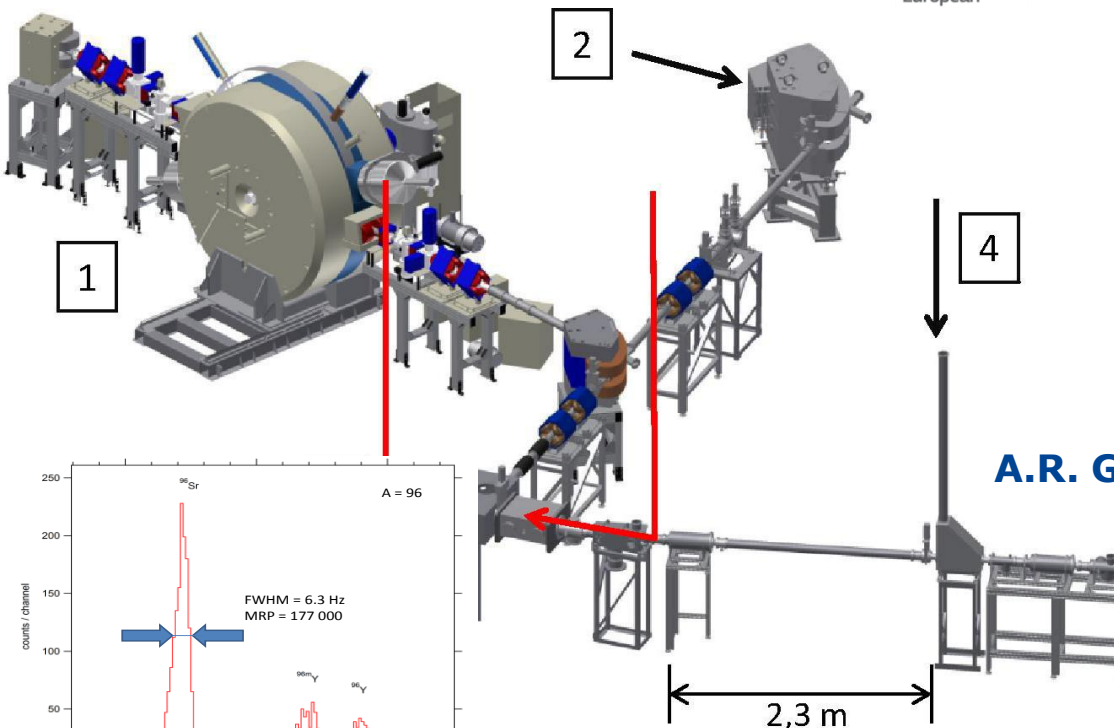


**B. Jurado, S. Czajkowski et al.**

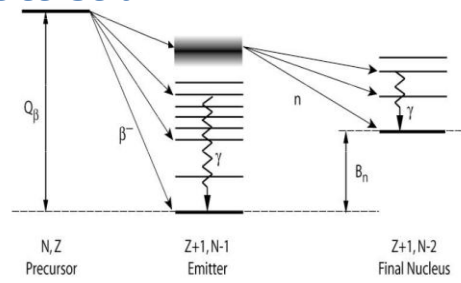
**F. Farget,  
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C. Rodriguez Tajez  
et al.**

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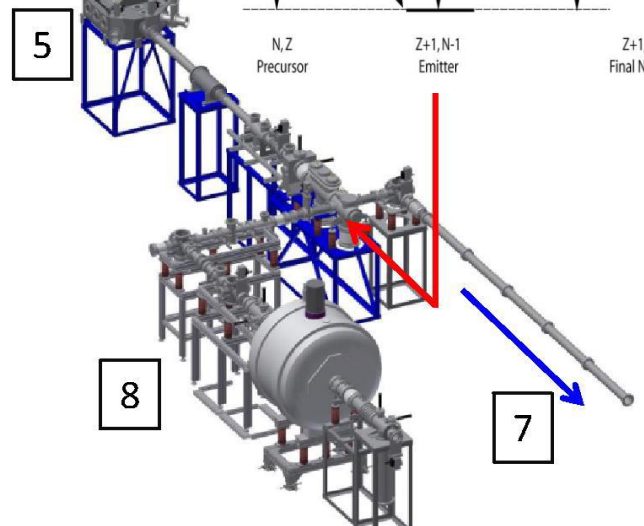
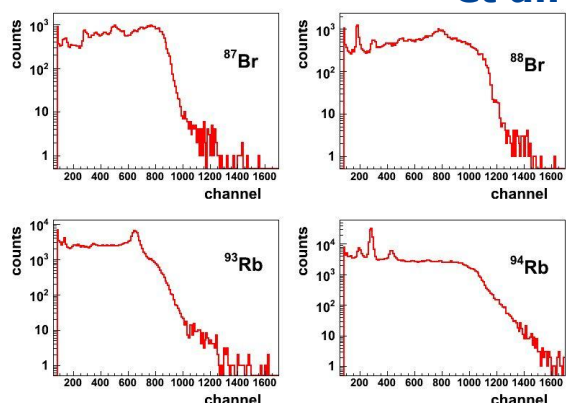
## Decay data



A.R. Garcia, D. Cano Ott et al.



H. Penttilä, A. Algora, J Tain et al.





# ERINDA



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OCL Oslo Cyclotron Laboratory

## European research infrastructures for nuclear data applications

Coordinator: Arnd Junghans

Transnational access to facilities

1 M€ EC contribution, >2x total effort  
16 partners, 2010-2013

Objectives: waste transmutation and Gen-IV

31 experiments, 3200 beam hours  
HPRL as reference

Within the framework of its Transnational Access Activities the **ERINDA** consortium offers at least a total of **2500** supplementary data-taking hours to external users at the facilities:

nELBE	40 MeV superconducting electron linac + neutron TOF facility D-T neutron generator	FZ Dresden (Germany)
GELINA and VdG	150 MeV electron linac + neutron TOF facility 7 MV Van de Graaff accelerator	IRMM Geel (Belgium)
n_TOF	20 GeV proton beam of the PS + spallation neutron source + neutron TOF facility	CERN Geneva (Switzerland/France)
AIFIRA	3.5 MV Van de Graaff accelerator	CENBG Bordeaux (France)
Tandem-ALTO	15 MV tandem and photo-fission source	IPN Orsay (France)
TSL	Cyclotron (180 MeV p)	UU-TSL Uppsala (Sweden)
PIAF	3.7 MV Van de Graaff accelerator Cyclotron (19 MeV p and d, $\alpha$ )	PTB Braunschweig (Germany)
NPI	Cyclotron (20 MeV p and d, $\alpha$ )	NPI Řež (Czech Republic)
BRR	10 MW research reactor	IKI Budapest (Hungary)
JYFL	130 MeV heavy ion cyclotron 30 MeV high intensity cyclotron + IGISOL	JYFL, Jyväskylä (Finland)
IFIN HH	9 MeV Tandem accelerator (p to Au)	IFIN HH, Bucharest (Romania)
NPL	3.5 MeV Tandem Van de Graaff accelerator	NPL, Teddington (Great Britain)
FRANZ	500 keV RFQ + proton linac	GUF, Frankfurt (Germany)
CEA	4 MV Van de Graaff accelerator 7 MV tandem accelerator	CEA Bruyères-le-Chatel (France)

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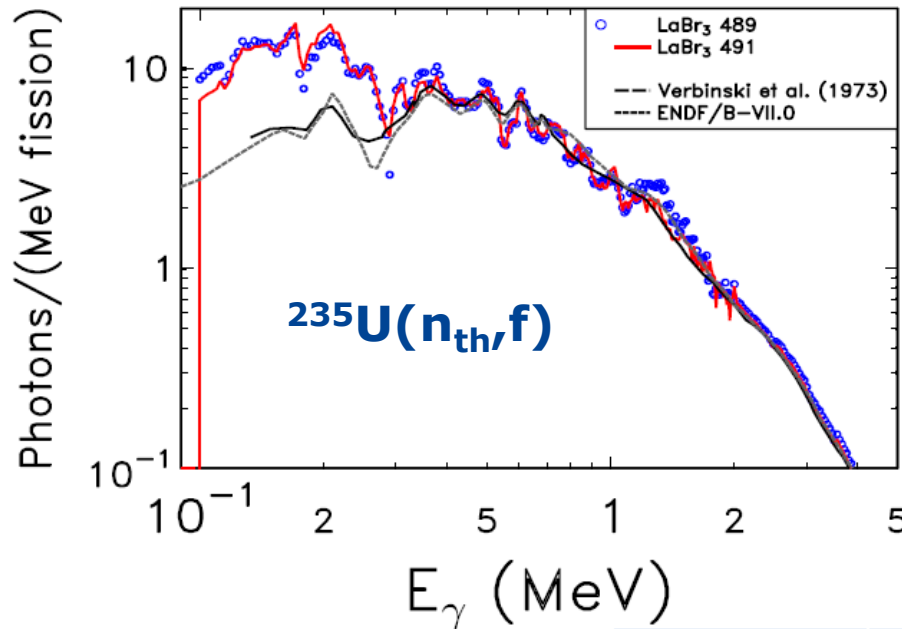
## *TAA: Publications*

- "Measurement of thermal neutron capture cross sections of  $^{237}\text{Np}$  and  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  using prompt gamma neutron activation", C. Genreith, M. Rossbach, et al., *J. Radioanal Nucl Chem* (2012) DOI: 10.1007/s10967-012-2080-8
- "Neutron measurements with lanthanum-bromide scintillation detectors - a first approach", A. Oberstedt, R. Billnert and S. Oberstedt, *Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A* 708 (2013) 7
- "Improved values for prompt fission gamma-ray spectra characteristics from the reaction  $^{235}\text{U}(n, f)$ ", A. Oberstedt, et al., *Phys. Rev. C* 87 (2013) 051602(R)
- "Determination of resonance parameters and their covariances from neutron induced reaction cross section data", P. Schillebeeckx, B. Becker, Y. Danon, K. Guber, H. Harada, J. Heyse, A.R. Junghans, S. Kopecky, C. Massimi, M.C. Moxon, N. Otuka, I. Sirakov and K. Volev, *Nuclear Data Sheets* 113 (2012) 3054–3100
- "Data Reduction and Uncertainty Propagation of Time-of-Flight Spectra with AGS", B. Becker, C. Bastian, F. Emiliani, F. Gunsing, J. Heyse, K. Kauwenberghs, S. Kopecky, C. Lampoudis, C. Massimi, N. Otuka, P. Schillebeeckx, and I. Sirakov, 2012 JINST 7 P11002
- "The extrapolated-efficiency method, a new technique to determine the  $\gamma$ -cascade detection efficiency in experiments based on the surrogate-reaction method", G. Boutoux, B. Jurado et al., *Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A* (article in press)
- "Study of the surrogate-reaction method applied to neutron-induced capture cross sections", G. Boutoux, B. Jurado, et al., *Physics Letters B* 712 (2012) 319–325
- " $^{243}\text{Am}$  neutron-induced fission cross section in the fast neutron energy range", G. Kessedjian, et al., *PHYSICAL REVIEW C* **85**, 044613 (2012)
- "Measurement of  $^{235}\text{U}(n, n\gamma)$  and  $^{235}\text{U}(n, 2n\gamma)$  reaction cross sections", M. Kerveno et al., *PHYSICAL REVIEW C* **87**, 024609 (2013)
- "Neutron resonance spectroscopy for the characterization of materials and objects", P. Schillebeeckx et al., *J. of Instrumentation* 7 (2012) C03009
- Results of total cross section measurements for  $^{197}\text{Au}$  in the neutron energy region from 4 to 108 keV at GELINA, I. Sirakov et al. submitted to EPJ

**Grosse, HZDR @ NDW 2013, NEA**

*Experimental developments:*

*Measurement of fission  $\gamma$ -rays with lanthanum–bromide scintillation detectors*



Oberstedt et al. Phys. Rev. C 87, (2013) 051602(R)  $^{235}\text{U}(n_{th},f)$

Billnert et al. Phys. Rev. C 87, (2013) 024601  $^{252}\text{Cf}(sf)$

Oberstedt et al., submitted,  $^{241}\text{Pu}(n_{th},f)$

$^{239}\text{Pu}(n_{th},f)$  planned

Reference	year	$\nu_\gamma$ (per fission)	$\epsilon_\gamma$ (MeV)	$E_{\gamma,tot}$ (MeV)
average over all detectors	this work 2013	7.60(7)	0.88 (2)	6.87(9)
Verbinski	1973	6.7(5)	0.97(3)	6.5(3)
ENDF/B-VII.1	2012	6.72	0.975	6.55

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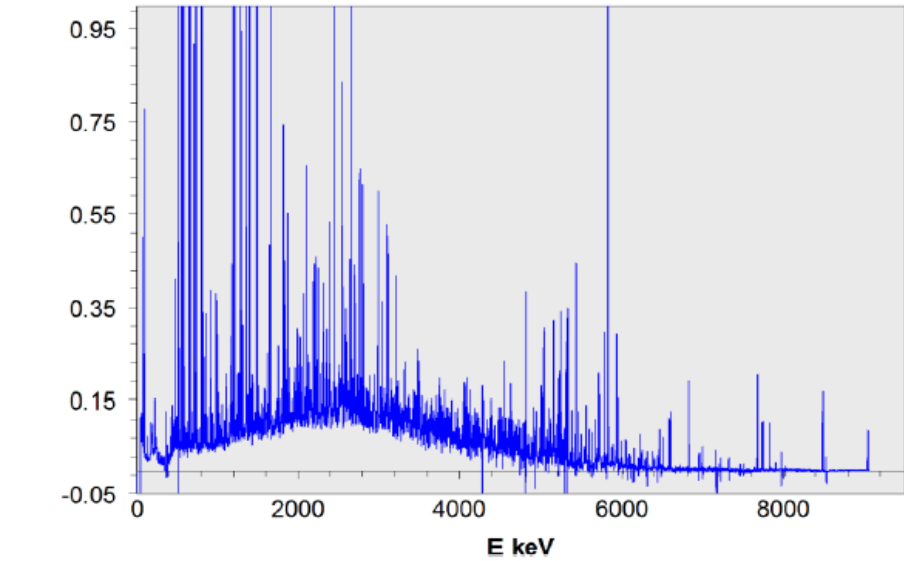
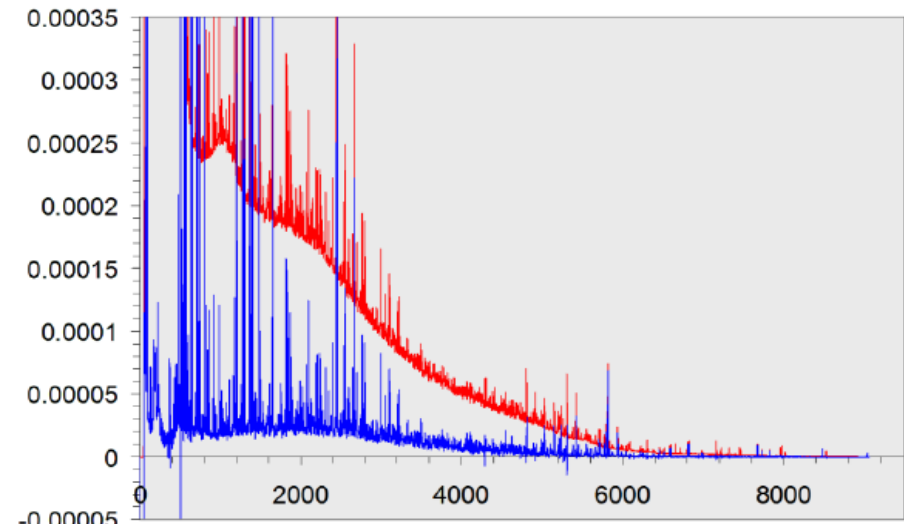
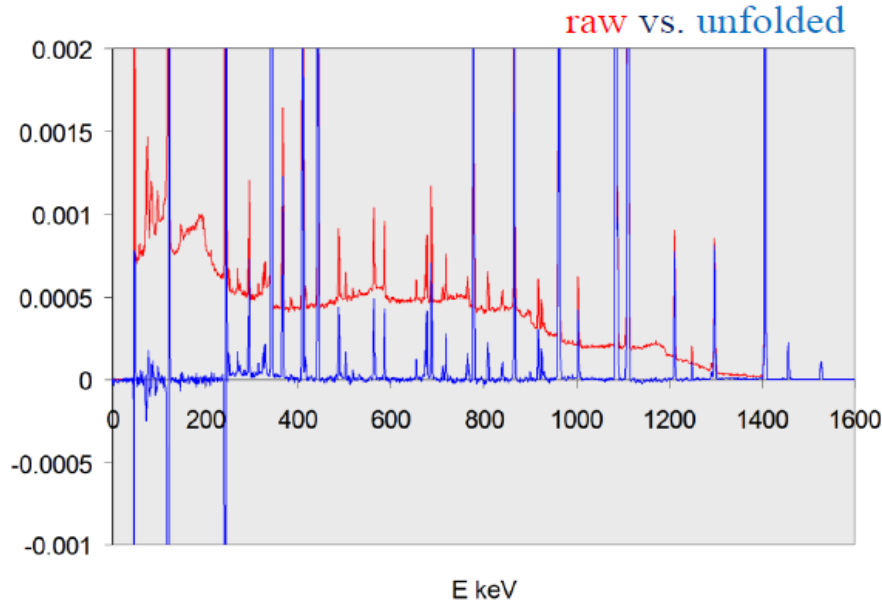
R. Billnert, PhD thesis (Chalmers TU)

**Grosse, HZDR @ NDW 2013, NEA**

**Improved data analysis:**

*Ge-detector spectra from  $^{113}\text{Cd}(n_{\text{therm}}, \gamma)$*

Test of unfolding procedure with  $^{152}\text{Eu}(\beta_{\text{decay}}, \gamma)$



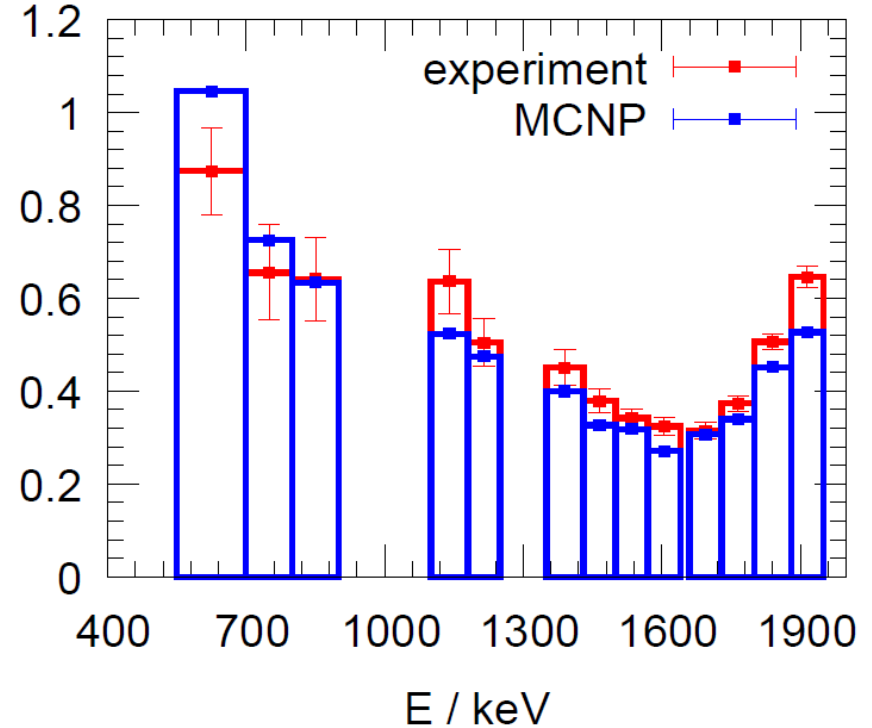
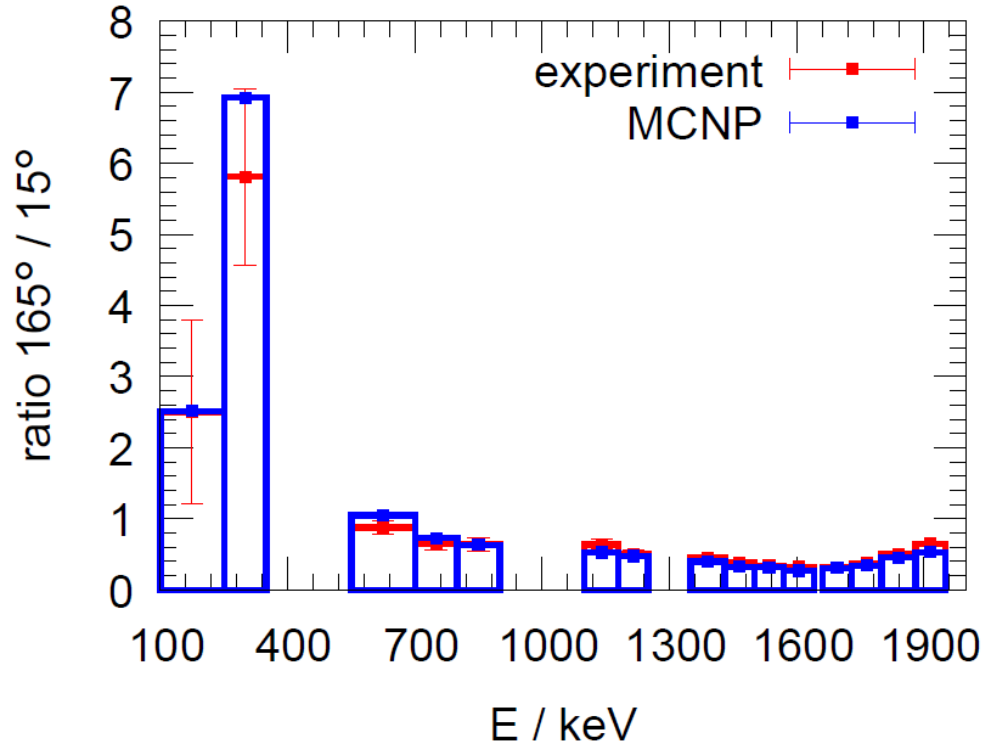
*The unfolded, efficiency corrected spectrum shows quasi-continuous broad distribution peaking at 2.5 MeV => primary photons*

*secondary peaks on top*

*T. Belgya, HAS-Budapest => simulation with  $\gamma$ DEX (HZDR-Dresden)*

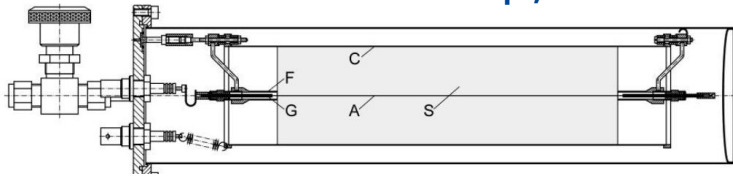
**Grosse, HZDR @ NDW 2013, NEA**

# Results compared with MCNP & ENDF/B-VII ERINDA, HZDR (IRMM) $^2\text{H}(n,n)^2\text{H}$



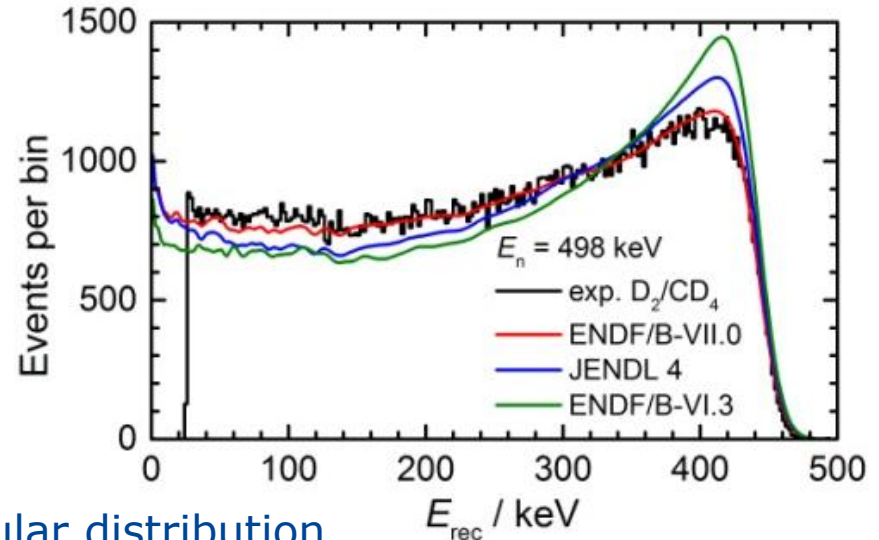
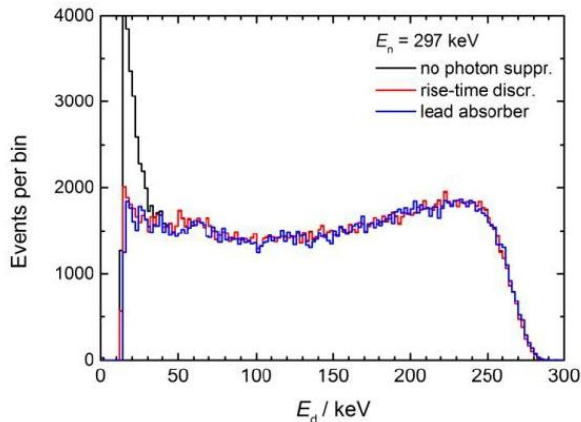
# Scattering n+d,

PC PTB, Nolte, Plompen et al.  
ERINDA workshop, NDS in print



$$E_R = E_n \frac{4A}{(A+1)^2} \frac{1 + \cos(\Theta'_r)}{2}$$

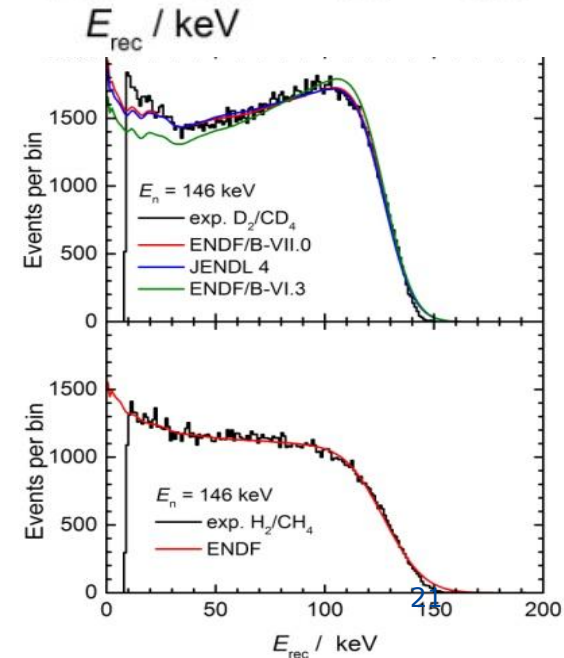
$$\left( \frac{d\sigma_{el}}{dE_R} \right) = \frac{4\pi}{E_R^{\max}} \left( \frac{d\sigma_{el}}{d\Omega'_n} \right) (E_R)$$



Angular distribution  
not isotropic in COM  
from 146 keV up

Good agreement  
with ENDF/B-VII  
and JENDL-4  
(except 500 keV)

$E_n$  145, 201, 248,  
297, 498 keV



# CHANDA



CIEMAT, ANSALDO, CCFE, CEA, CERN, CNRS, CSIC, ENEA, GANIL, GSI, HZDR, IFIN-HH, INFN, IST-ID, JRC, JSI, JYU, KFKI, NNL, NPI, NPL, NRG, NTUA, PSI, PTB, SCK, TUW, UB, UFrank, UMainz, UMan, UPC, UPM, USC, UU, UOslo

## Challenges in nuclear data for the safety of European nuclear facilities

Coordinator: Enrique Gonzalez

Infrastructure coord. & development

5.4 M€ EC contribution, ≈10M€ total

36 partners, 2013-2017

New neutron beams, new experimental equipment, new evaluation methods, Myrrha safety case, access to validation experiments, transnational access

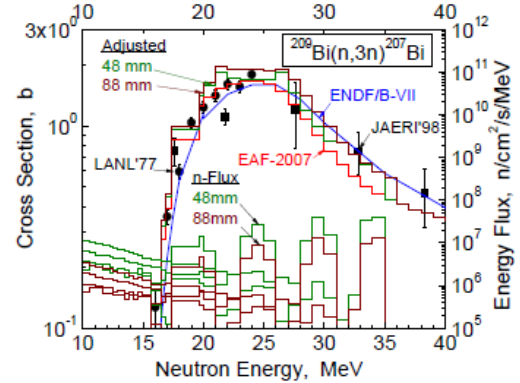
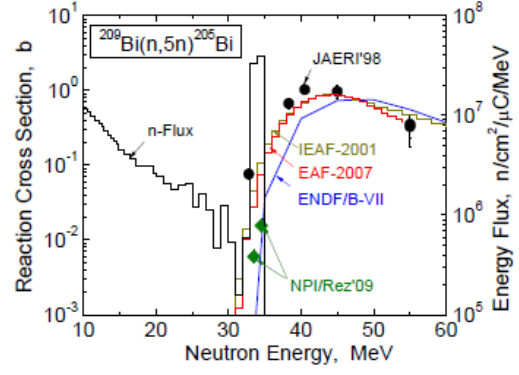
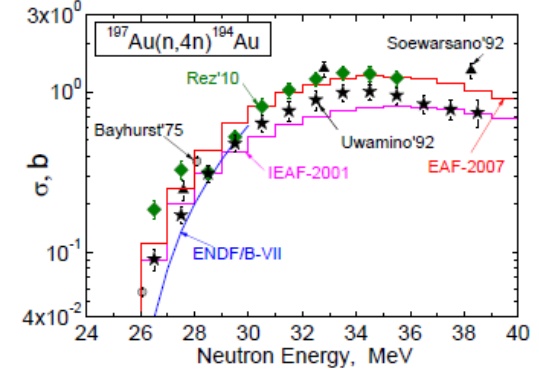
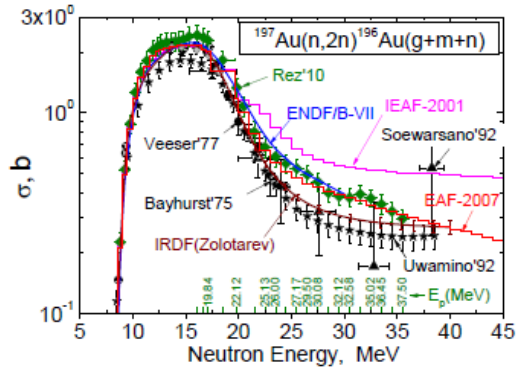
# **Nuclear Data Week, fall 2013**

## **JEFF meeting spring 2014**

NEEDS program, France  
JEFF contributions

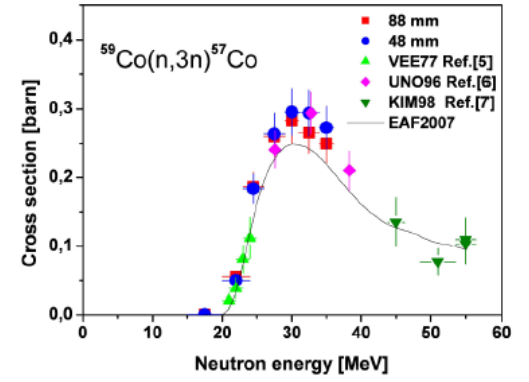
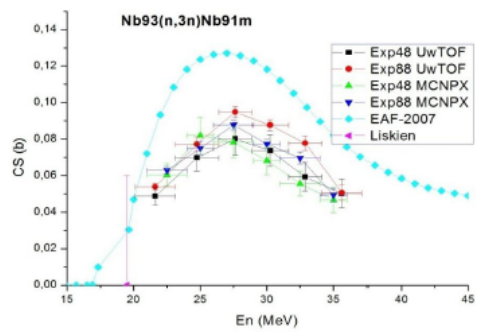
Revised neutron cross-sections of Au and Bi  
(F4E-2008-GRT-014 and TW7-TTMN-002B)

NPI: P. Bém, M. Honusek, M. Götz, M. Majerle, J. Novák, E. Šimečková  
KIT: U. Fischer, S. Simakov



Honusek, J, KPS, 59, 1374, 2011

Šimečková, J, KPS, 59, 1801, 2011

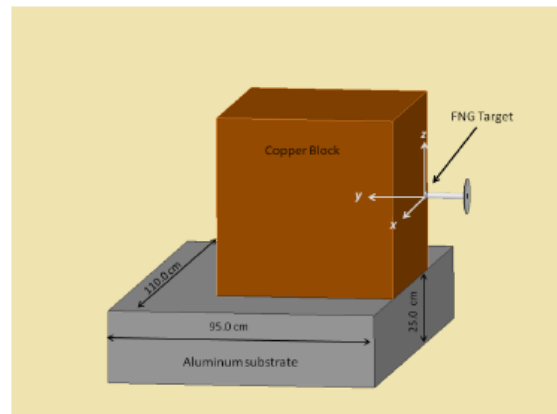


$^{93}\text{Nb}(n,3n)^{91m}\text{Nb}$

# ENEA Frascati

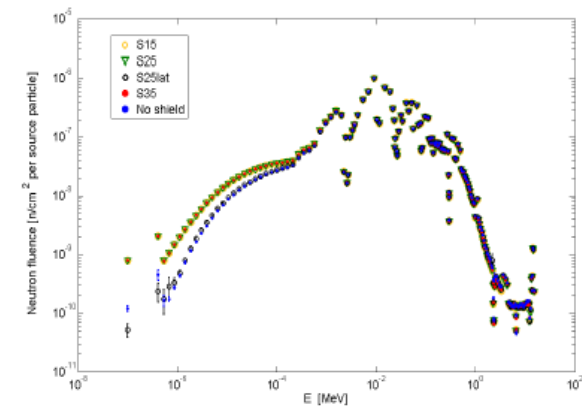
M. Angelone et al.

Design of a copper benchmark experiment at the Frascati Neutron Generator.



3-D view of the Copper Block on top of the Aluminium support

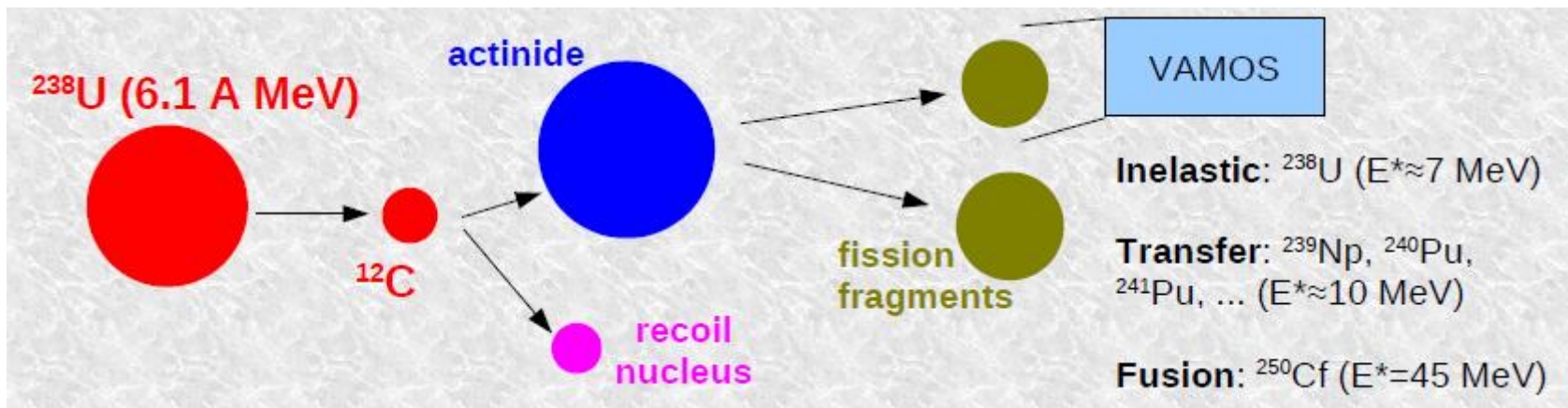
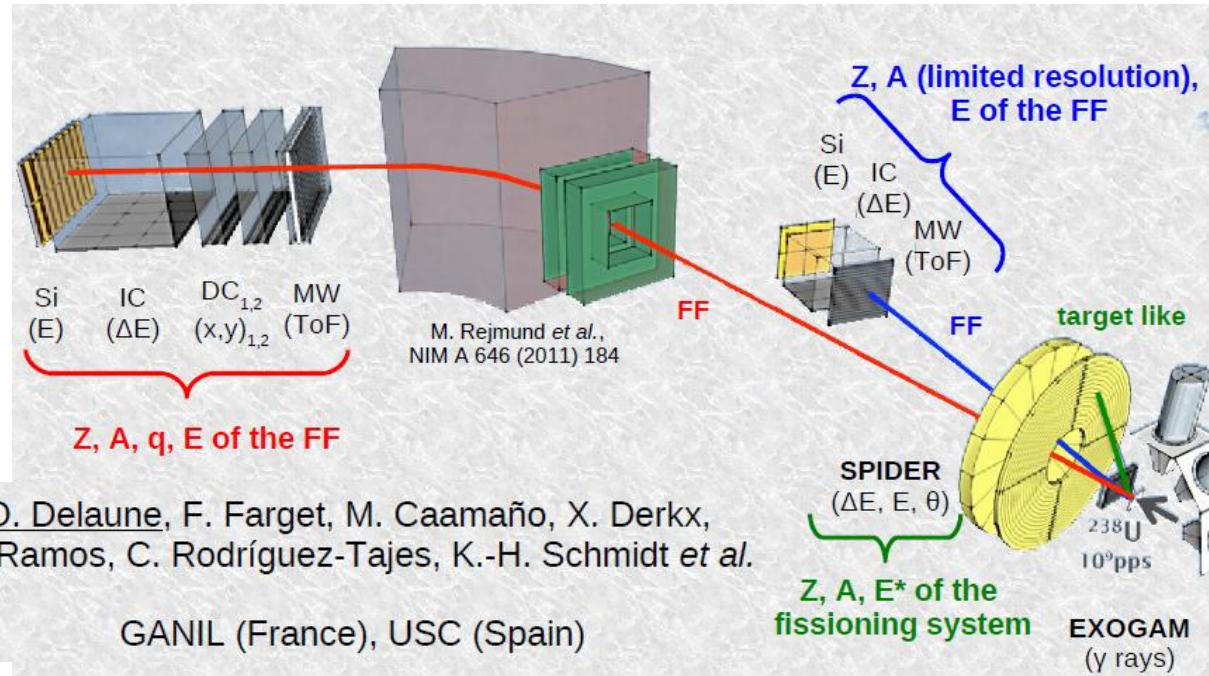
Calculated Neutron Flux spectra in the deepest experimental position using polyethylene shields of different thickness



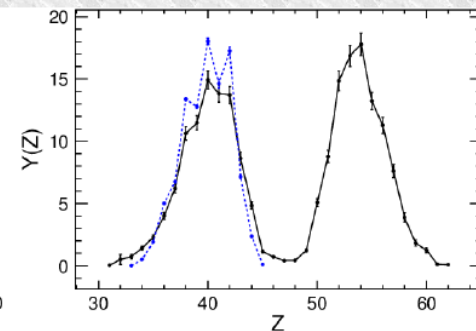
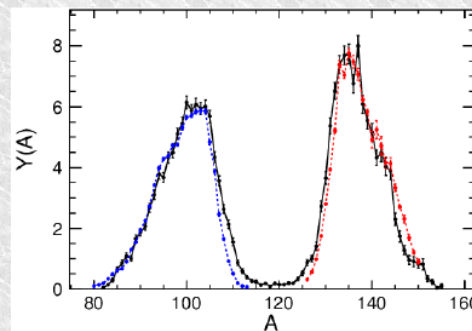
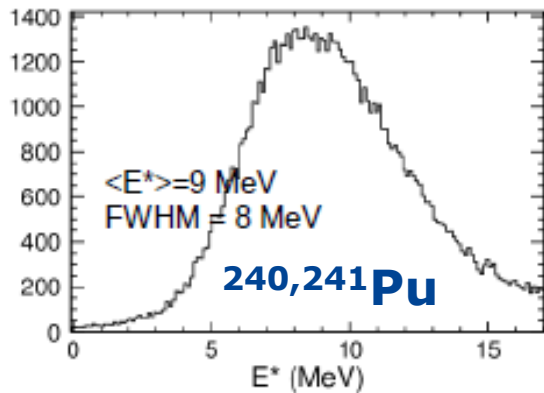
# Experimental Fission yields at GANIL

$^{238}\text{U} + ^{12}\text{C}$

6.14 MeV/u fission  
Spider dE-E,  
VAMOS, EXOGAM



# Extraction of $E^*$ from $E$ and $\theta$

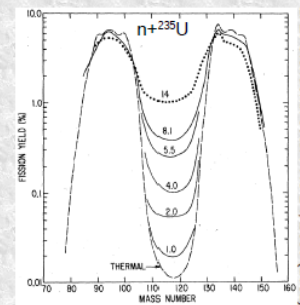


C. Schmitt *et al.* NPA 430(1):21 – 60, 1984.  
A. Bail *et al.* PRC 84, 034605 (2011)

Good agreement with previous measurements  
=> Validity of our reconstruction method

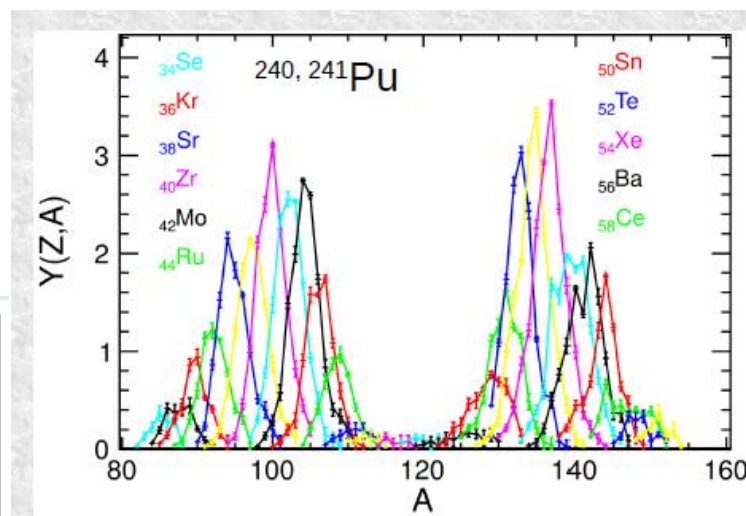
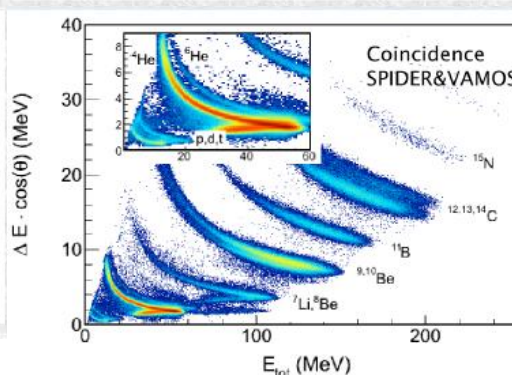
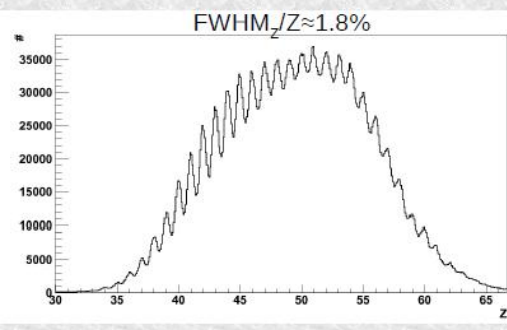
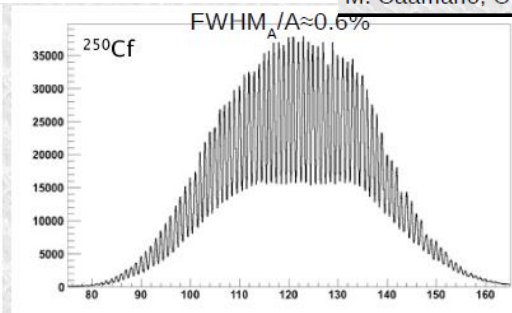
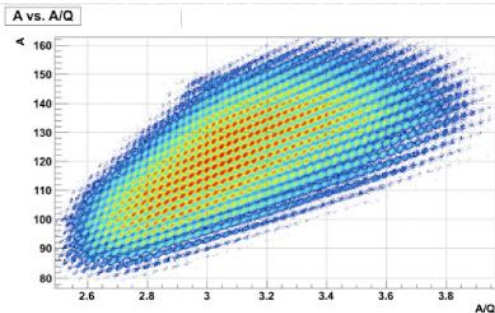
Influence of the excitation energy  
=> Peak/valley ratio  
=> Odd-even effect

**240,241Pu**



L. E. Glendenin *et al.* PRC 24, 2600 (1981)

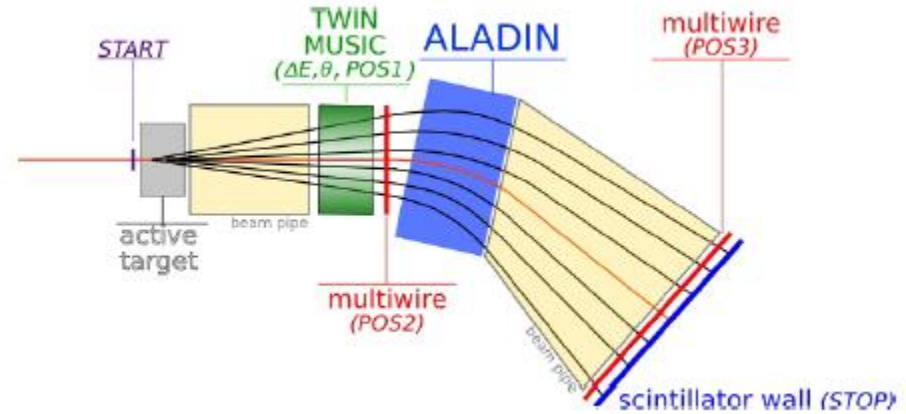
M. Caamaño, O. Delaune *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 88 (2013)



Transfer – fission ( $E^* \approx 9 \text{ MeV}$ )  
asymmetric fission

# Fission yields at GSI

Studies of fission with Aladin  
 Coulex-induced fission of relativistic projectiles ( $A < 238$ ),  
 600 MeV/u  $^{238}\text{U}(\gamma, f)$   
 Full A and Z resolution both fragments  
 First runs: applications 50% of beam time  
 Under development

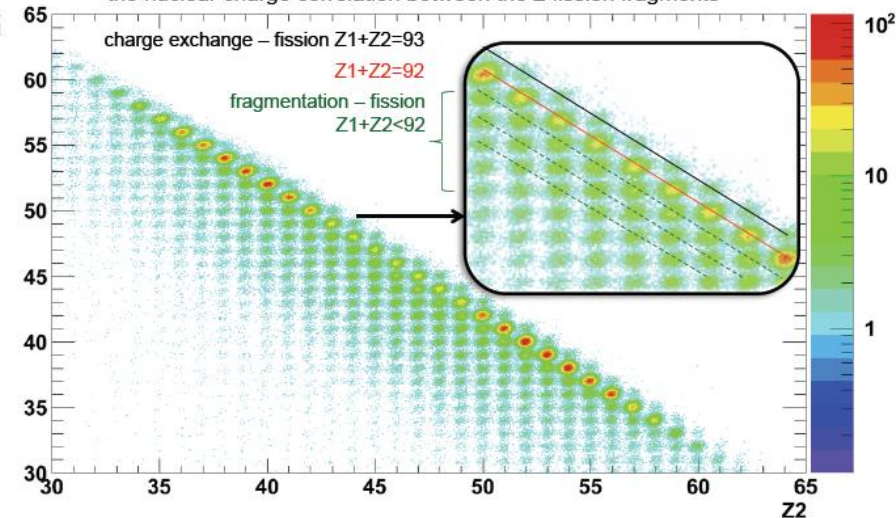


## The SOFIA and SOFIA-2 experiments at GSI

T. Gorbinet (CEA, DAM, DIF) for the SOFIA collaboration

- CEA, DAM, DIF, FRANCE
- IPNO, FRANCE
- CENBG, FRANCE
- GANIL, FRANCE
- GSI, GERMANY
- UNIVERSITY OF SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, SPAIN
- UNIVERSITY OF VIGO, SPAIN
- TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF CHALMERS, SWEDEN

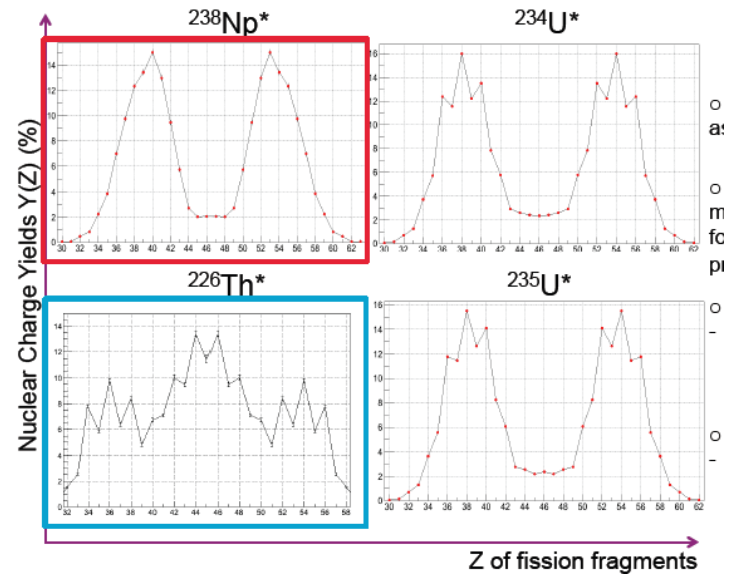
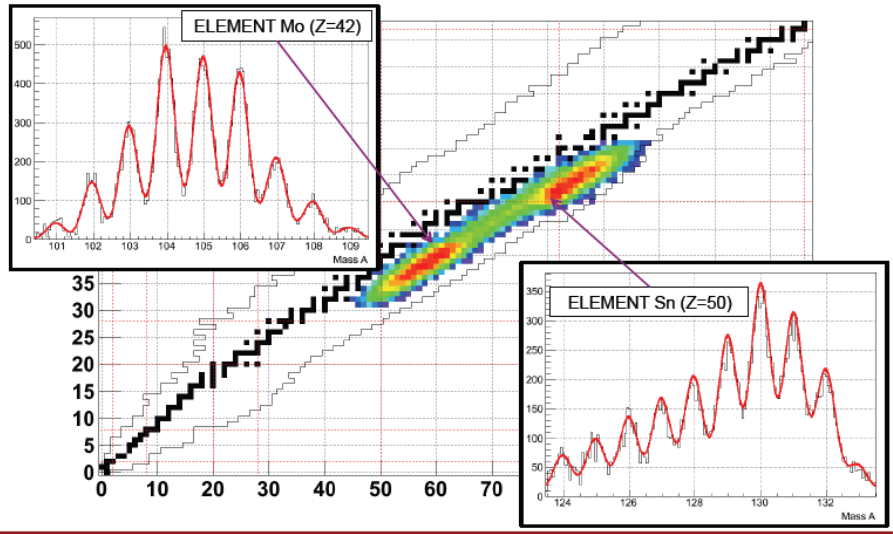
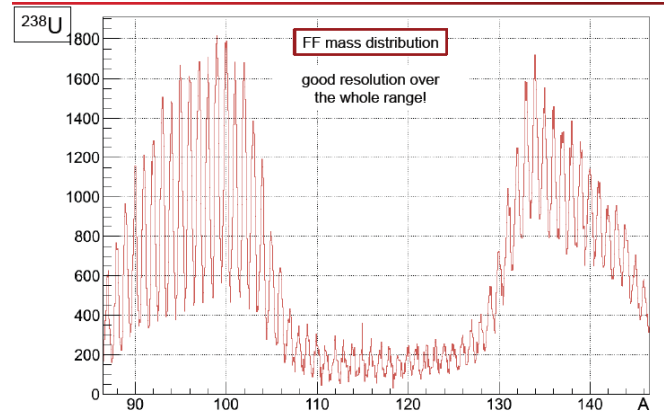
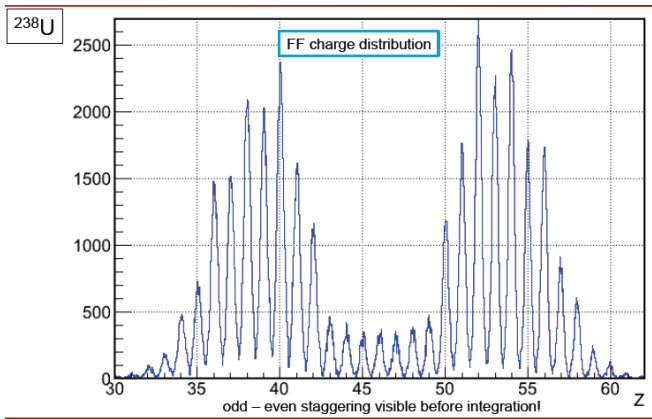
COULEX-induced fission of  $^{238}\text{U}$   
 the nuclear charge correlation between the 2 fission fragments



## ACCURATE MEASUREMENT OF FISSION FRAGMENTS YIELDS

fission of heavy actinides ( $^{234}\text{U}$ ,  $^{235}\text{U}$ ,  $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{237}\text{Np}$ ,  $^{238}\text{Np}$ ) for application purpose

# SOFIA

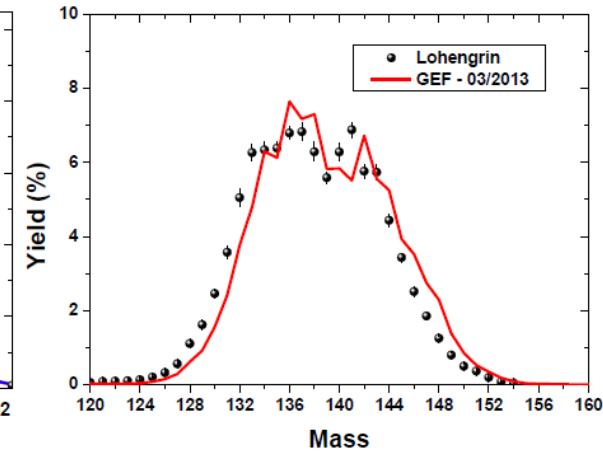
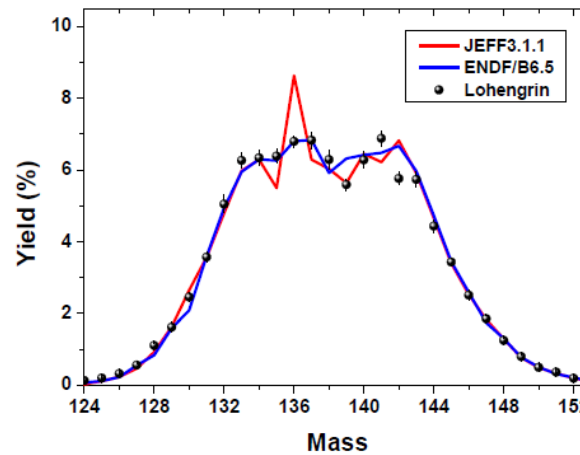


# Lohengrin, Serot et al.

$^{233}\text{U}(n_{th},f)$

PhD thesis, F. Martin (Dec. 2013)

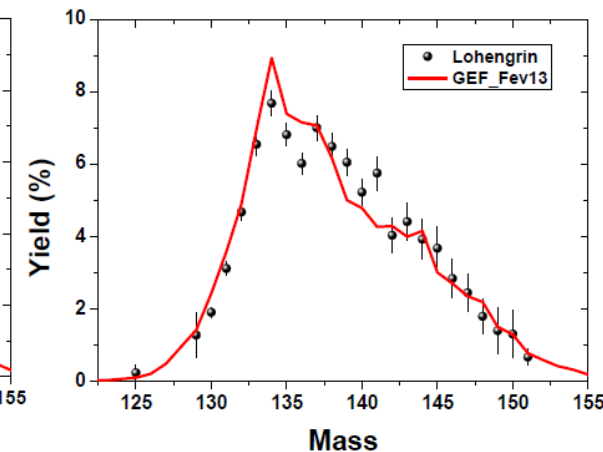
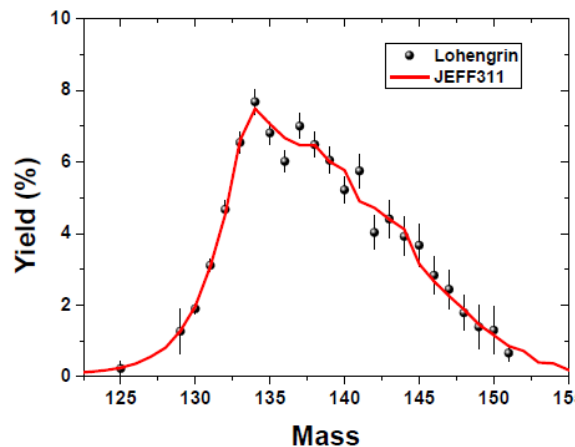
F. Martin et al., *IEEE Conf. Proc. of ANIMMA*, Ghent, Belgium, 2011.



Reasonable agreement with JEFF except for the mass 135 and 136, 141 and 142. A shift in the wings of the distribution is again observed with the GEF results

$^{241}\text{Pu}(n_{th},f)$

PhD thesis, F. Martin (Dec. 2013)



Good agreement (within the error bars) was obtained with JEFF3.1.1 and with the GEF-code (K.-H. Schmidt)

Thesis

- ✓ Adeline BAIL (2009)
- ✓ Florence MARTIN (Dec. 2013)
- ✓ Charlotte AMOUROUX (Oct. 2014)
- ✓ Abdelhazize CHEBBOUBI (Oct. 2015)

# TAS measurements for reactor antineutrino and decay heat calculations

A. Porta, M. Fallot and A. Zakari

## On-behalf of the TAS Collaboration

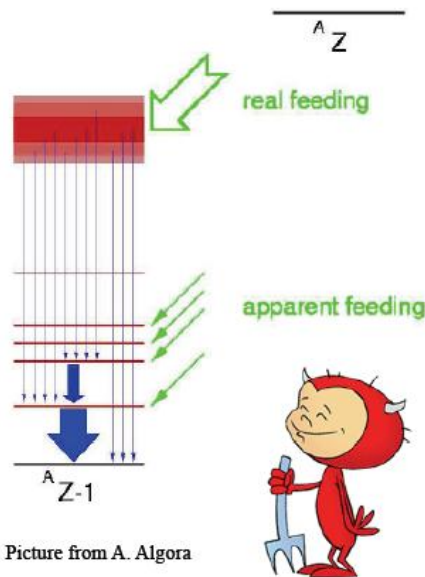
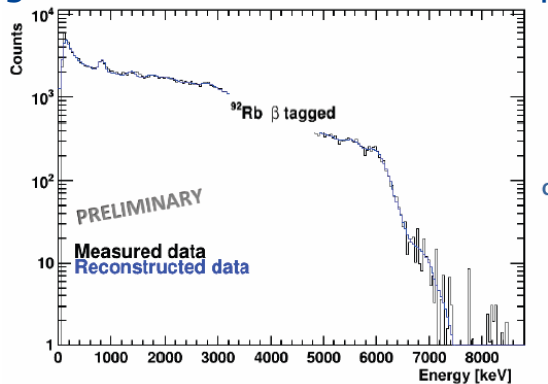
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 2 Subatech, CNRS/IN2P3, Univ. Nantes, EMN, Nantes, France  
 3 Univ. Surrey, Guilford, UK  
 4 IGISOL, Univ. Jyväskylä, Finland  
 5 Ciemat- Madrid, Spain

- Low-efficiency high resolution detectors vs high-efficiency low resolution detectors.
- Summing calculations of known transitions do not give the correct sum.

### The case of <sup>92</sup>Rb

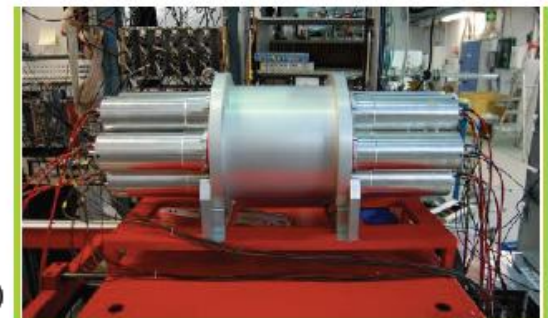
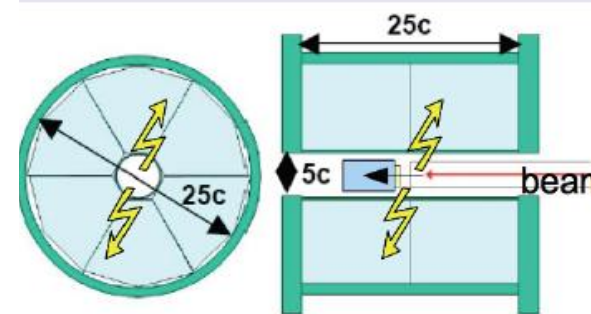
### <sup>92</sup>Rb, pandemonium case

Large contribution to neutrino spectrum 6-8 MeV



Picture from A. Algora

\*\* J.C.Hardy et al., Phys. Lett. B, 71, 307 (1977)



### ⇒ neutrino fundamental physics

- Measurement of the  $\theta_{13}$  oscillation parameters. Experiments Double Chooz, Daya Bay, Reno
- Sterile neutrino measurement to explain the « reactor anomaly »

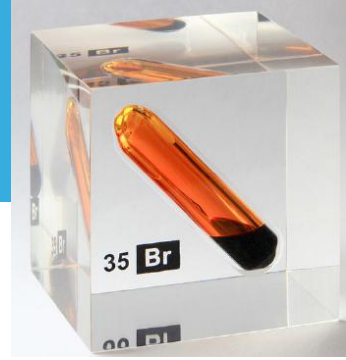


### ⇒ reactor applied physics

- Fuel composition monitoring for non-proliferation:
  - IAEA ad-hoc Working Group (WG) created in 2010
  - ESARDA sub-WG on reactor antineutrino detection in Novel Technology WG
- Reactor monitoring: direct relationship between antineutrino flux and energy with thermal power and fuel content (burnup)

# Gamma de-excitation above Sn: what TAS measurements can provide

Alejandro Algora  
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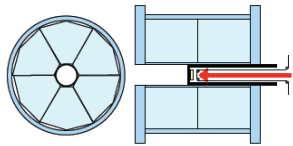


## Total Absorption Spectrometry

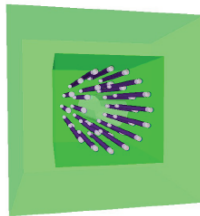
A. Algora et al.

Beta strength measurements: combination of techniques

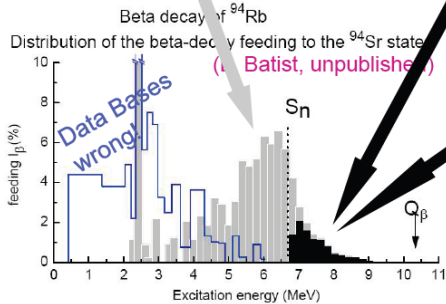
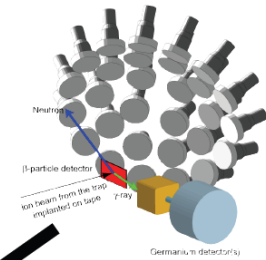
Total Absorption  $\gamma$ -Ray Spectrometer



4 $\pi$  Neutron Counter



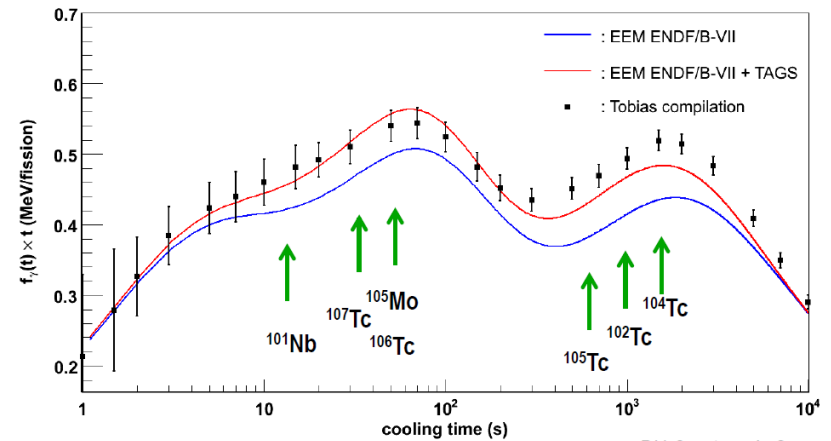
Neutron Time of Flight Spectrometer



- TAGS provides data free of “Pandemonium” systematic error
- 4 $\pi$  n-Counter provides  $P_n$
- n-ToF Array provides the  $E_n$  distribution

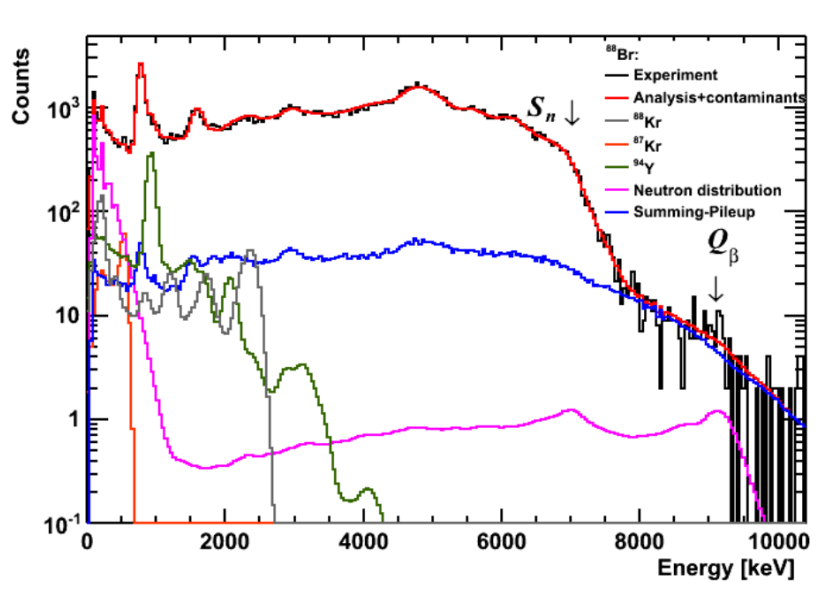
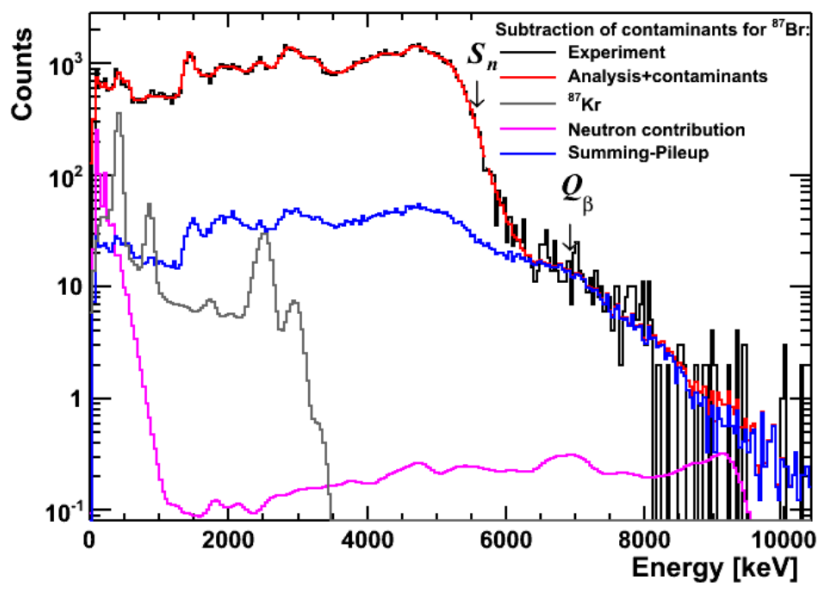
Impact of the results for  $^{239}\text{Pu}$ : electromagnetic component

Motivated by Yoshida *et al.* (Journ. of Nucl. Sc. and Tech. 36 (1999) 135) and WPEC-25



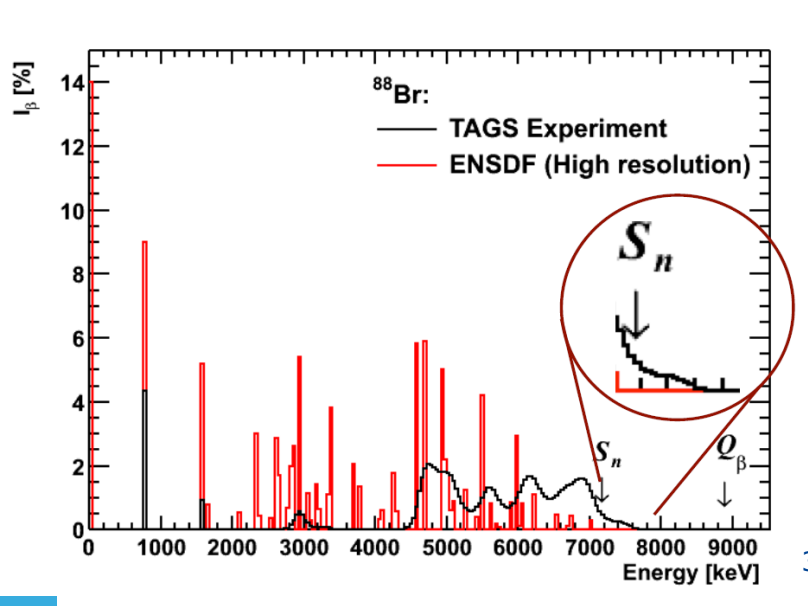
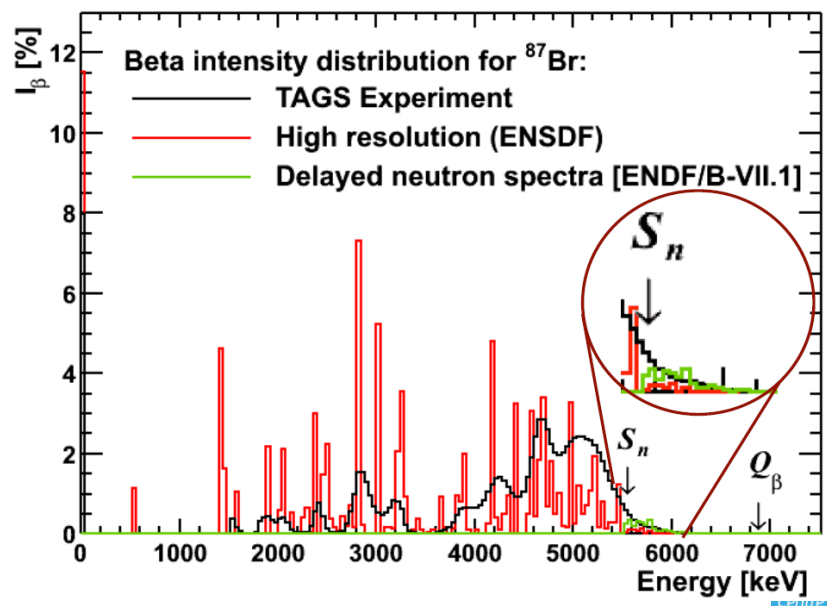
Algora, Phys. Rev. Letts. 105, 202505, PhD Thesis D. Jordan,  
K. P. Rykaczewsky, Physics 3, 94 (2011)

DH Courtesy A. Sonzogni  
Results also confirmed by R. W. Mills  
using JEFF 3.1



Deduced feedings from <sup>87</sup>Br decay

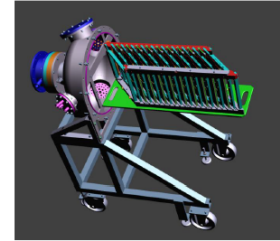
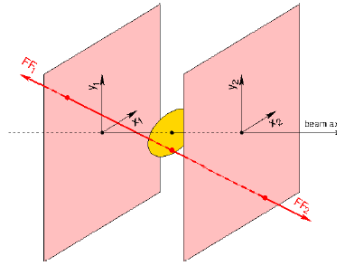
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<sup>232</sup>Th fission fragment angular distribution (FFAD)

- Detection of the 2 fission fragments
- Fission direction given by the positions of the 2 fragments

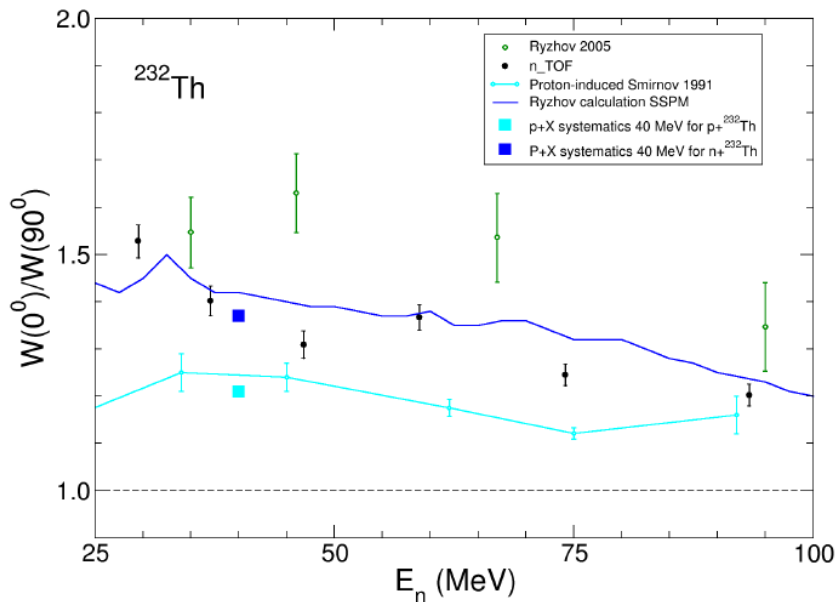


<sup>232</sup>Th fission fragment angular distributions  
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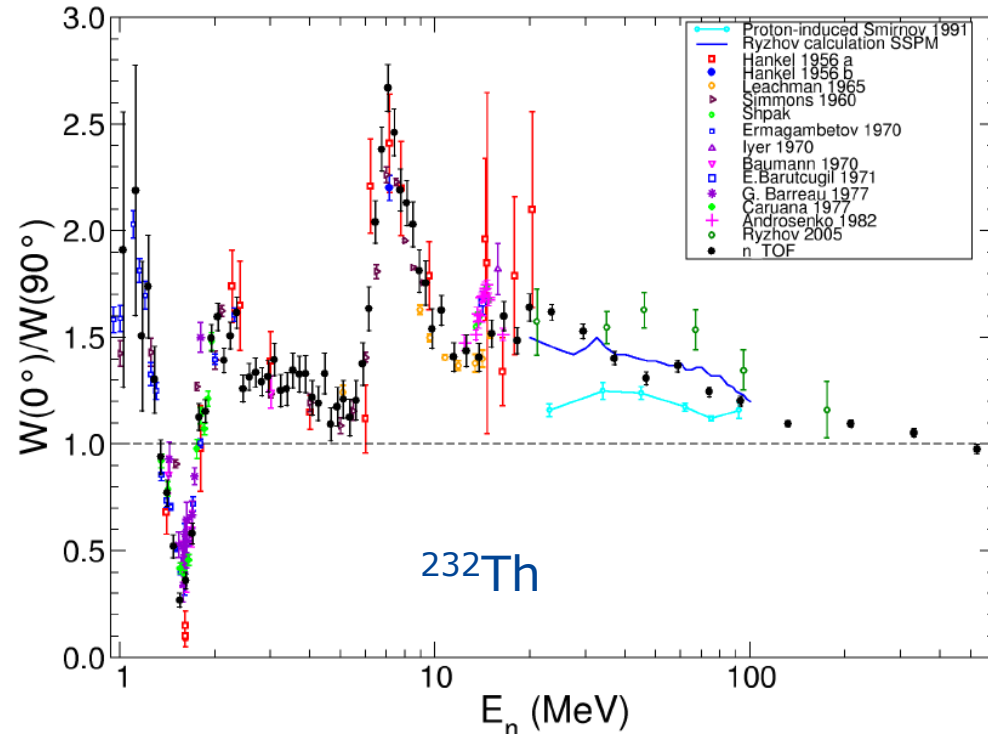
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- 9 Targets and 10 detectors tilted by 45°
- 1x<sup>235</sup>U 1x<sup>238</sup>U 1x<sup>237</sup>Np 6x<sup>232</sup>Th



# Determining inaccessible neutron-induced cross sections with the help of surrogate reactions

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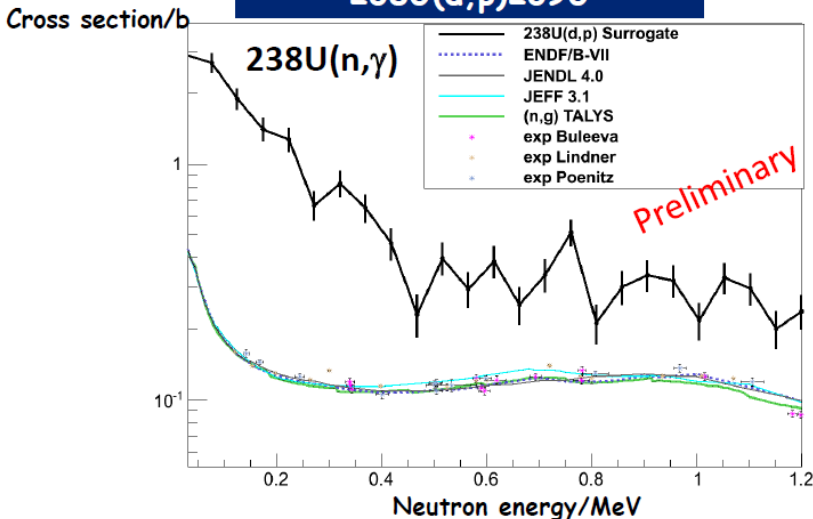
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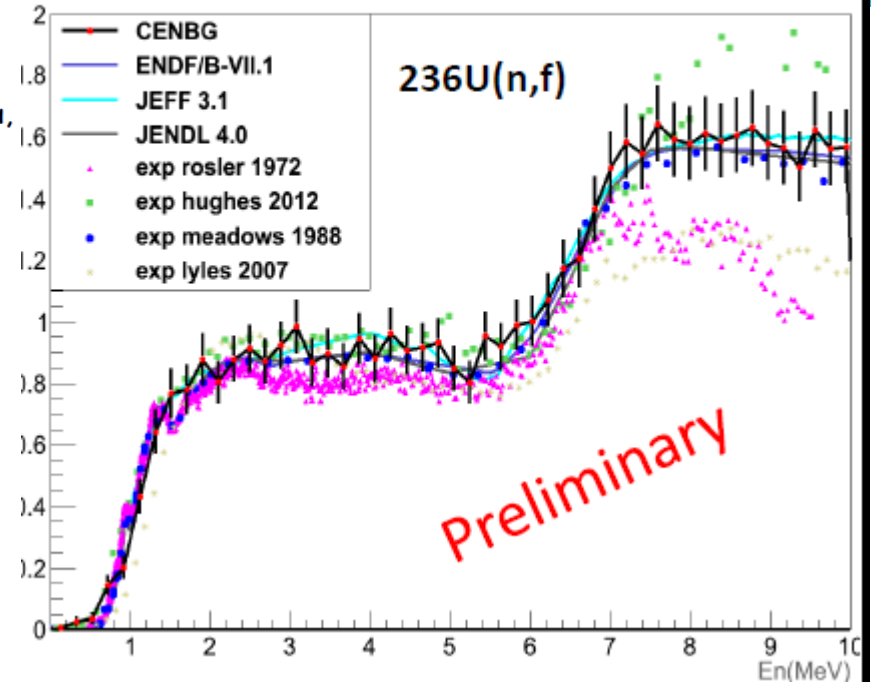
J. Escher  
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, USA

Neutron-induced fission cross sections obtained via the surrogate-reaction method

## $^{238}\text{U}(d,p)^{239}\text{U}$



## $^{238}\text{U}(^3\text{He}, ^4\text{He})^{237}\text{U}$

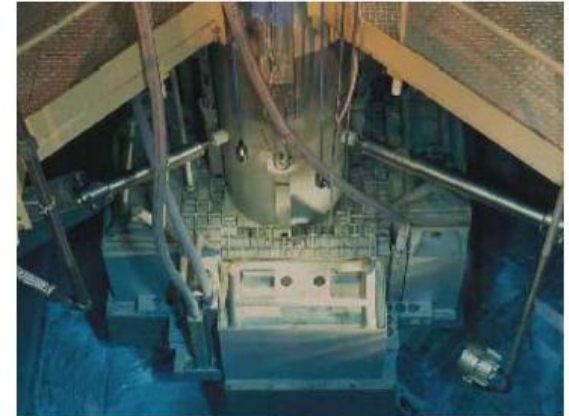
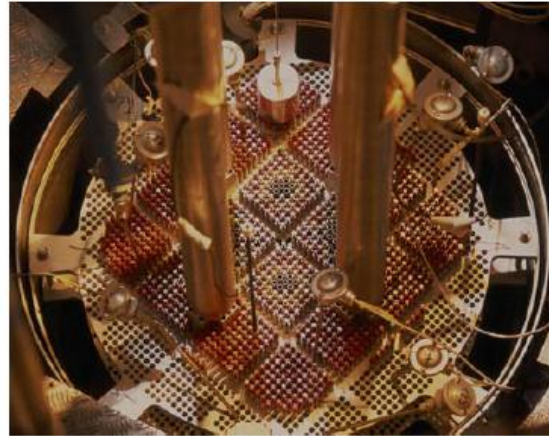


1. Predict spin/parity distribution
2. Model CN decay (Hauser-Feshbach calculation)
3. Use surrogate data to fix the parameters of the HF calculation (level densities, gamma-strength functions...)
4. Calculate desired  $(n,\gamma)$  cross section

Collaboration between theoreticians and experimentalist mandatory!  
No theoreticians interested in Europe concerning point 1.?  
Strategy currently being tested by Jutta Escher at Livermore, USA!

# OPENING

## THE **EOLE** AND **MINERVE** FACILITIES TO THE NUCLEAR DATA COMMUNITY



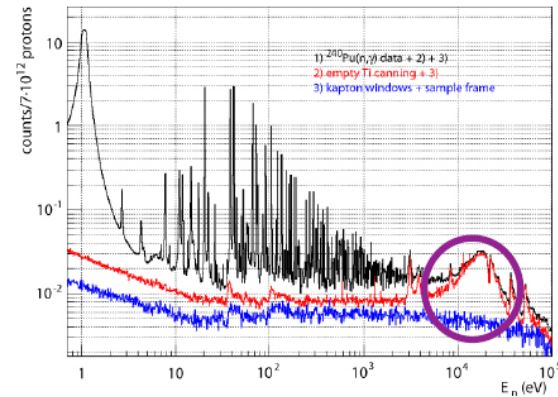
Pierre Leconte et al. DEN/DER/SPRC

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### International collaboration

- CHANDA
  - Proposal for a collaborative work on  $^{241}\text{Am}$  and  $^{99}\text{Tc}$  capture cross sections
- INSPIRA: International Neutron Scattering Programme for Improved Nuclear Data and Reactor Assessment
  - Elastic / Inelastic scattering on key materials ( $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{23}\text{Na}$ ,  $^1\text{H}$ ) for GEN-III and GEN-IV
- Other initiatives

Step up in quality of experiments by improved characterisation and modeling: Example MAESTRO project



# n\_TOF

F. Gunsing et al.

Two measurement campaigns

2002-2004

2009-2012

Many recent publications and ongoing measurement and analysis campaigns

EXFOR compilation ongoing

Phase 2:

$^{235}\text{U}(n,g)+(n,f)$  simult.

$^{87}\text{Sr}(n,g)$  spins

$^{63}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{197}\text{Au}$ ,  $^{241}\text{Am}(n,g)$

$^{240,242}\text{Pu}(n,f)$

$(n,a)$

**capture  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$**

$^{24,25,26}\text{Mg}$   
 $^{56}\text{Fe}$   
 $^{90,91,92,93,94,96}\text{Zr}$   
 $^{139}\text{La}$   
 $^{151}\text{Sm}$   
 $^{186,187,188}\text{Os}$   
 $^{197}\text{Au}$   
 $^{204, 206, 207,208}\text{Pb}$   
 $^{209}\text{Bi}$   
 $^{232}\text{Th}$

**capture  $\text{BaF}_2$**

$^{197}\text{Au}$   
 $^{233,234}\text{U}$   
 $^{237}\text{Np}$   
 $^{240}\text{Pu}$   
 $^{243}\text{Am}$

**fission FIC**

$^{232}\text{Th}$   
 $^{237}\text{Np}$   
 $^{233,234,235,236,238}\text{U}$   
 $^{241,243}\text{Am}$   
 $^{245}\text{Cm}$

**fission PPAC**

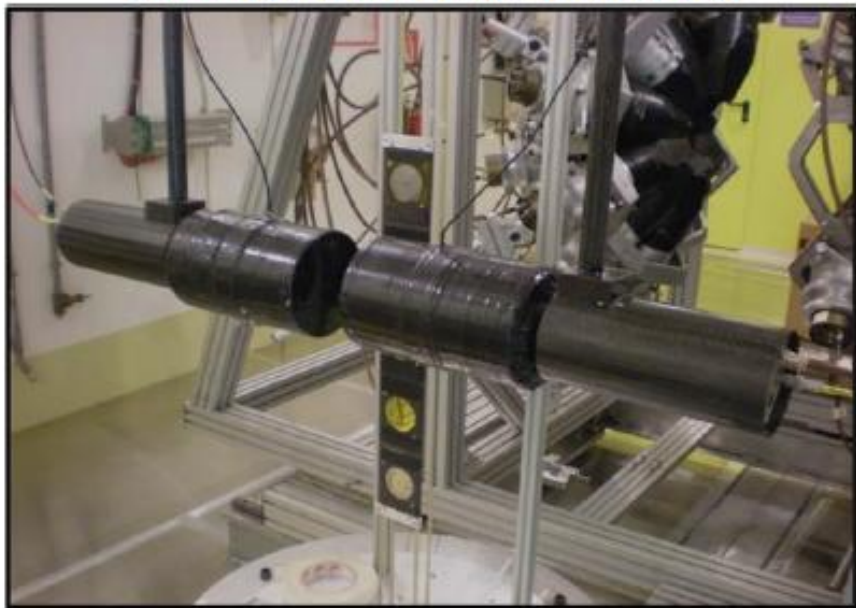
natPb  
 $^{209}\text{Bi}$   
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 $^{237}\text{Np}$   
 $^{233,234,235,238}\text{U}$

# n\_TOF Phase2 (2009-2012): Stellar nucleosynthesis cross section measurements

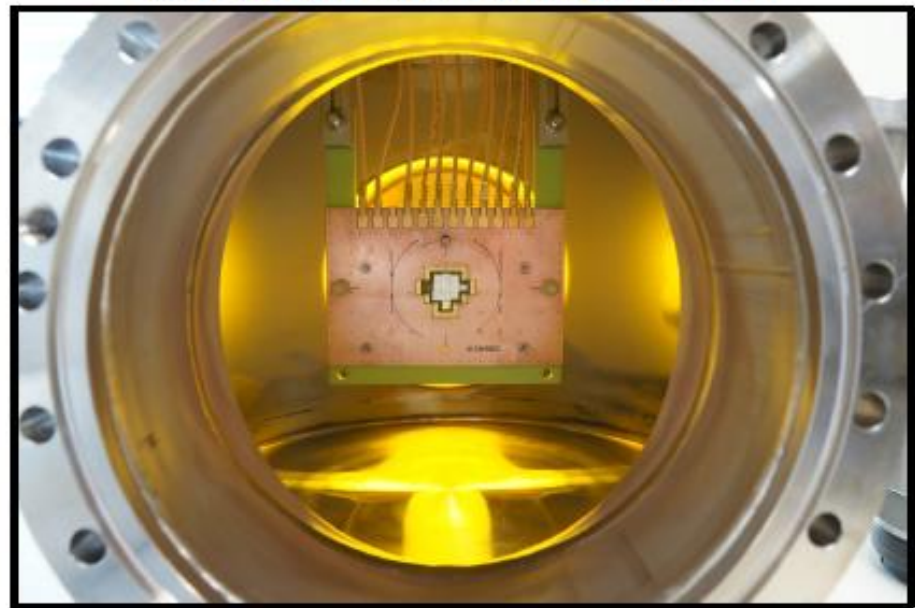
Neutron capture and (n, $\alpha$ ) cross sections for the s-process:

$\sigma(n,\gamma)$ :  $^{25}\text{Mg}$ ,  $^{54,56,57}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{58,62,63}\text{Ni}$  and  $^{93}\text{Zr}$   
 $\sigma(n,\alpha)$ :  $^{33}\text{S}$  and  $^{59}\text{Ni}$

C6D6 (carbon fiber) scintillators

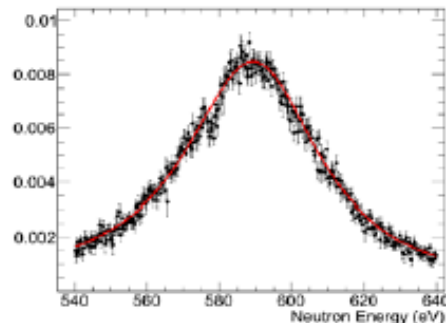
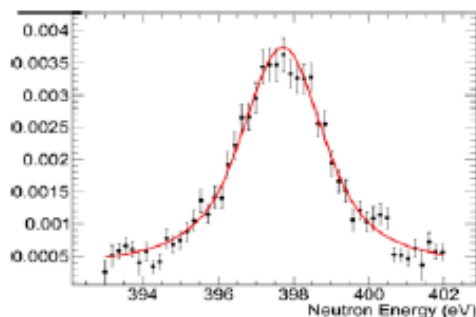
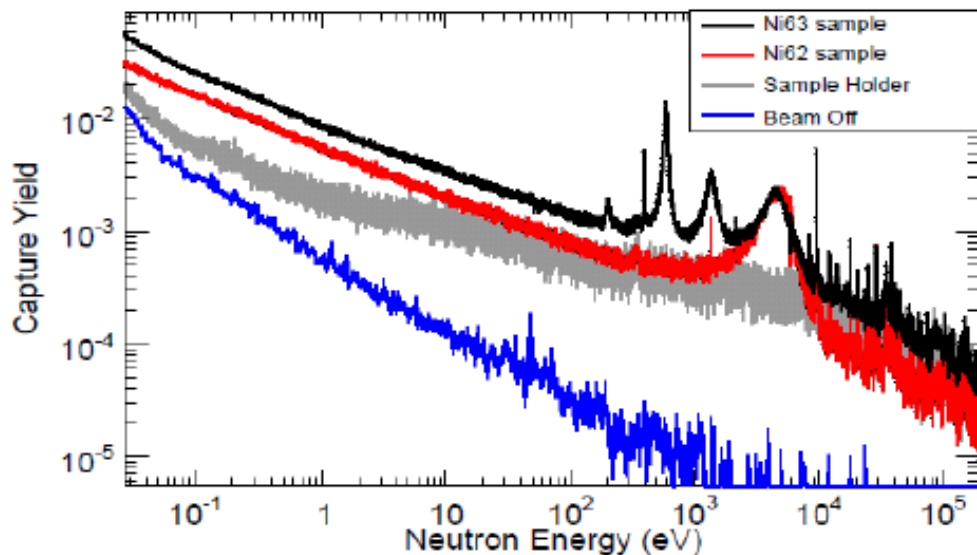


mosaic-sCVD diamond detector



# $^{63}\text{Ni}(n,g)$ MACS in the keV region

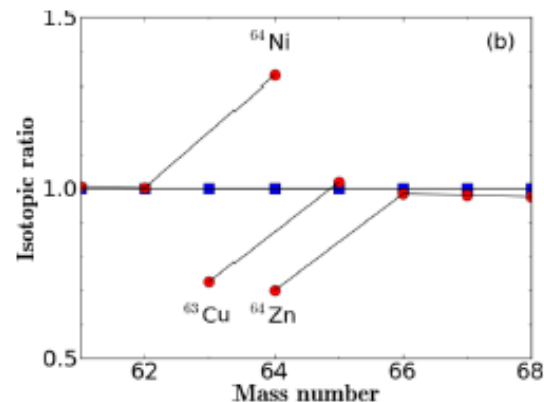
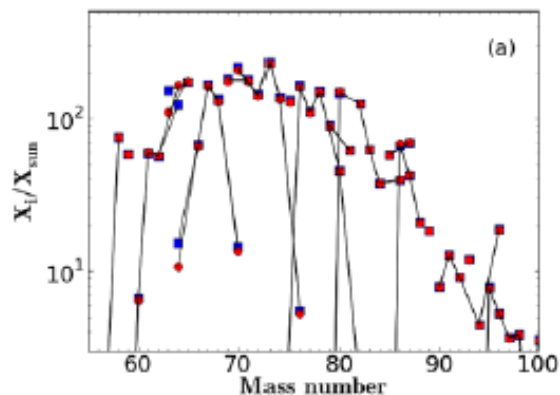
First RRR measurement ever



*C. Lederer et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 022501*

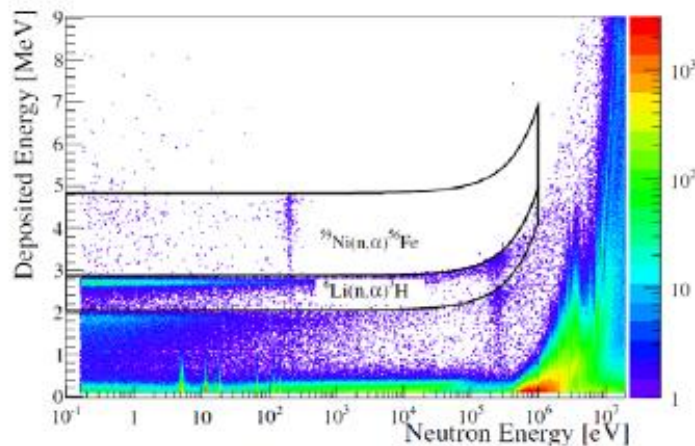
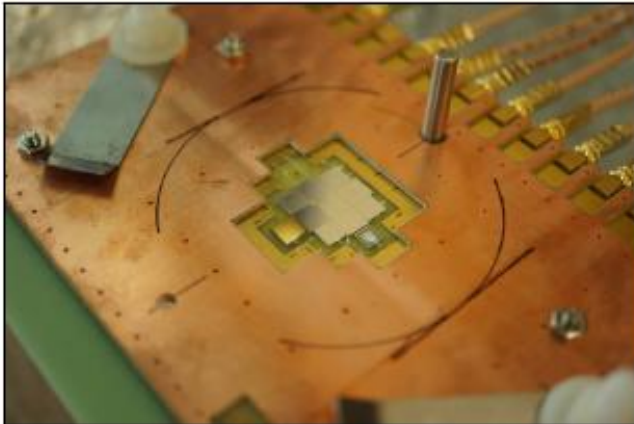
Measured MACS 2-2.5 higher than the model calculated values:

some isotopic stellar abundances ( $^{64}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{63}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{64}\text{Zn}$ ) change up to ~40%.



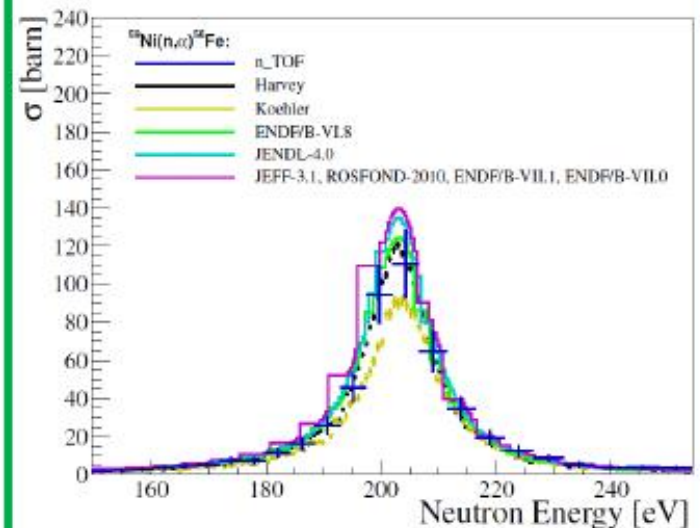
# $^{59}\text{Ni}(n,\alpha)$ resonance at 200 eV

Development of diamond array for (n,chp) reactions



C. Weiss et al., "The (n, $\alpha$ ) reaction in the s-process branching point  $^{59}\text{Ni}$ ", Nuclear Data Sheets (2013) (in press)

Solved the 30% discrepancy between the two previous measurements. New recommendation for evaluated nuclear data files.



Opens the door to a new type of measurements, in particular at the new 20 m beam line n\_TOF-EAR2.

## Publications n\_TOF

C. Lederer, n\_TOF, Ni62(n,g) and Ni63(n,g) cross sections measured at the n-TOF facility at CERN, Physical Review C 89, 025810 (2014).

P. Zugec, n\_TOF, Experimental neutron capture data of 58Ni from the CERN n-TOF facility Physical Review C 89, 014605 (2014).

G. Tagliente, n\_TOF, The 93Zr(n,g) reaction up to 8 keV neutron energy Physical Review C, 87, 014622 (2013).

C. Lederer, n\_TOF, Neutron capture cross section of unstable Ni63: Implications for stellar nucleosynthesis, Phys. Rev. Lett., 110 022501 (2013)

K. Fraval et al., n\_TOF, Measurement and analysis of the Am241(n,g) cross section with liquid scintillator detectors using time-of-flight spectroscopy at the n\_TOF facility at CERN, Phys. Rev. C 89, 044609 (2014)

# Cross section of neutron induced reactions on $^{197}\text{Au}$ (Becker, NEMEA-7)

Standard cross section  $^{197}\text{Au}(n,\gamma)$

- Thermal (0.0253 eV)
- 200 keV and 2.5 MeV

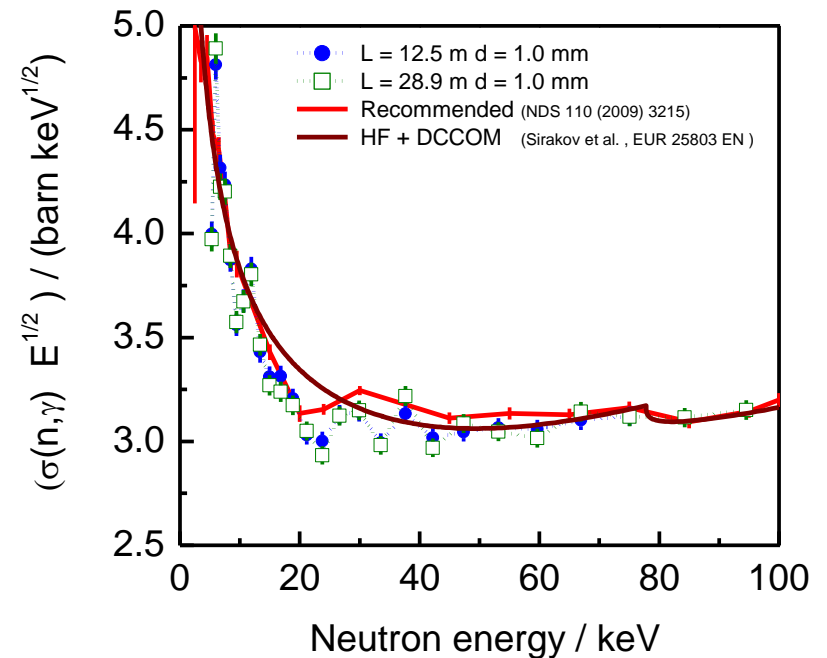
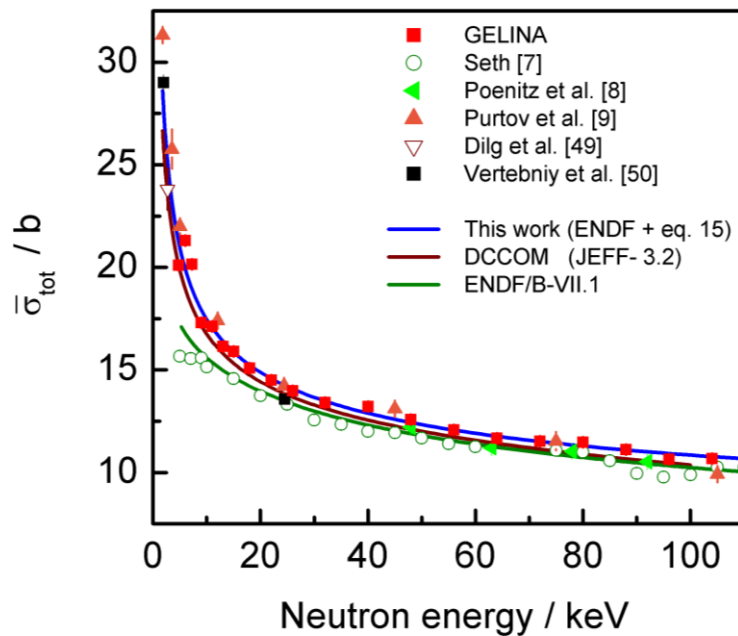
HPRL:  $^{197}\text{Au}$  for neutron induced reactions between 4 keV and 200 keV

Reference cross section for astrophysical calculations

Test-case for many nuclear reaction model codes

- I. Sirakov et al., "Results of total cross section measurements for  $^{197}\text{Au}$  in the neutron energy region from 4 to 108 keV at GELINA",  
***Eur. Phys. J. A 49 (2013) 144***
- C. Massimi et al., "Neutron capture cross section measurements for  $^{197}\text{Au}$  from 4 to 80 keV at GELINA", in preparation

# $^{197}\text{Au}(n,\text{tot})$ & $^{197}\text{Au}(n,\gamma)$ cross section



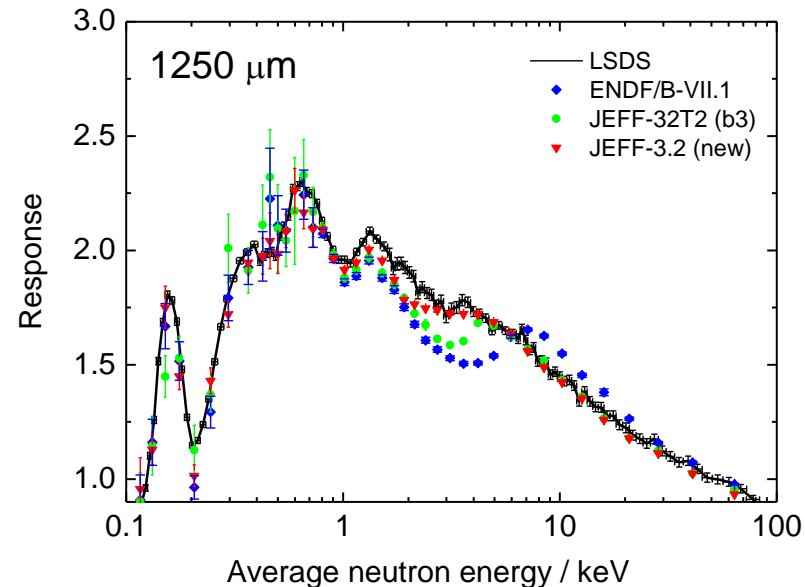
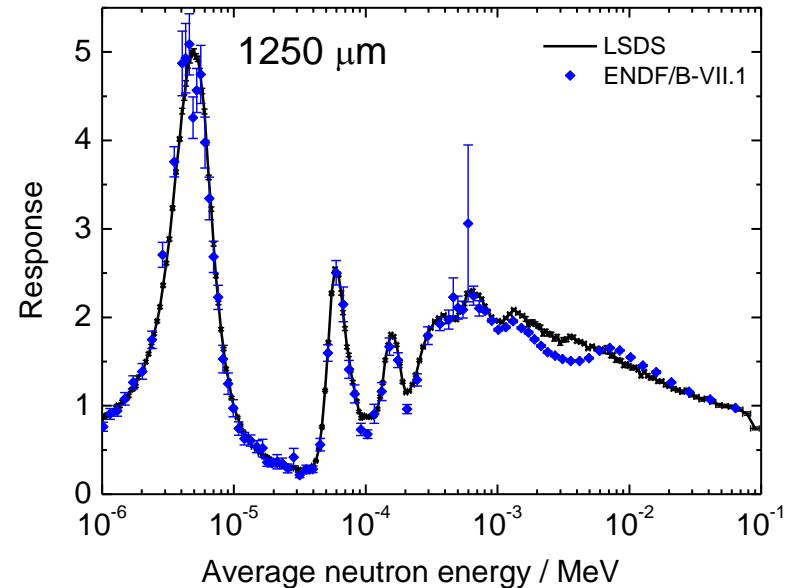
# LSDS measurements

Simulation of a LSDS measurement from LPSC IN2P3:

- MCNP simulation
- Cross section data preparation with NJOY
- Simulation includes resolution of the spectrometer

Independent of the measurements to deduce the cross section.

Challenging method for capture.



# Background

## $0\nu 2\beta$ experiments

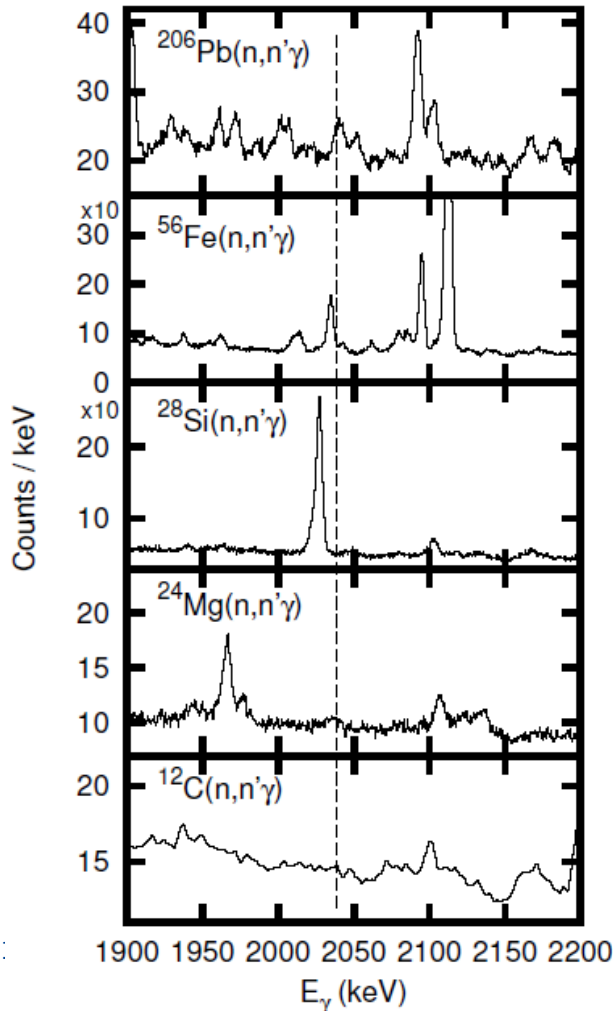


$^{206}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{28}\text{Si}$ ,  $^{24}\text{Mg}$ ,  $^{12}\text{C}$

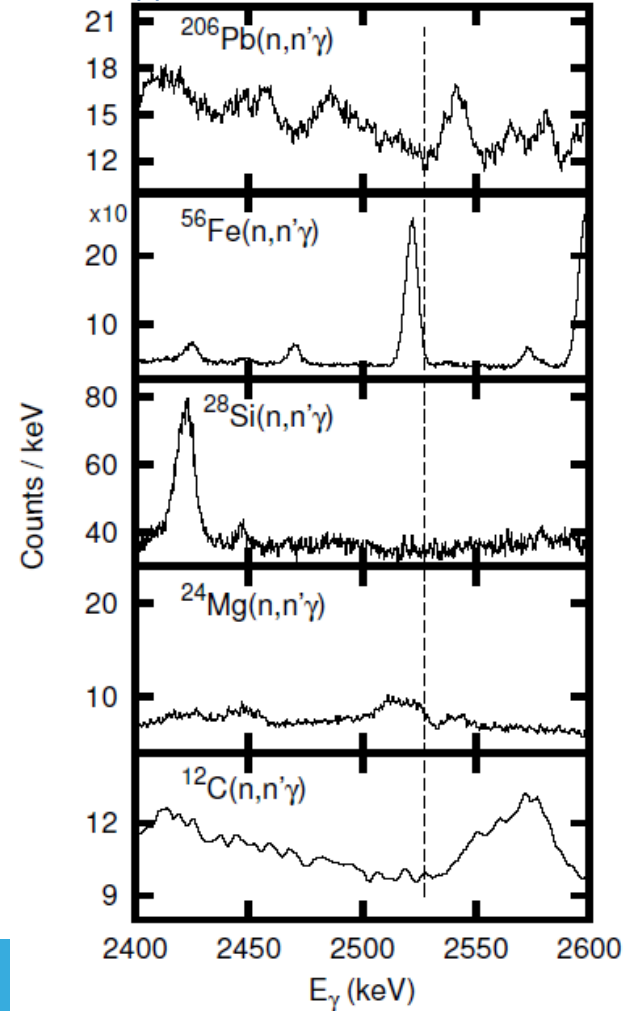
A. Negret, C. Borcea, and A. J. M. Plompen, Phys. Rev. C 88 (2013) 027601

Shielding or construction materials

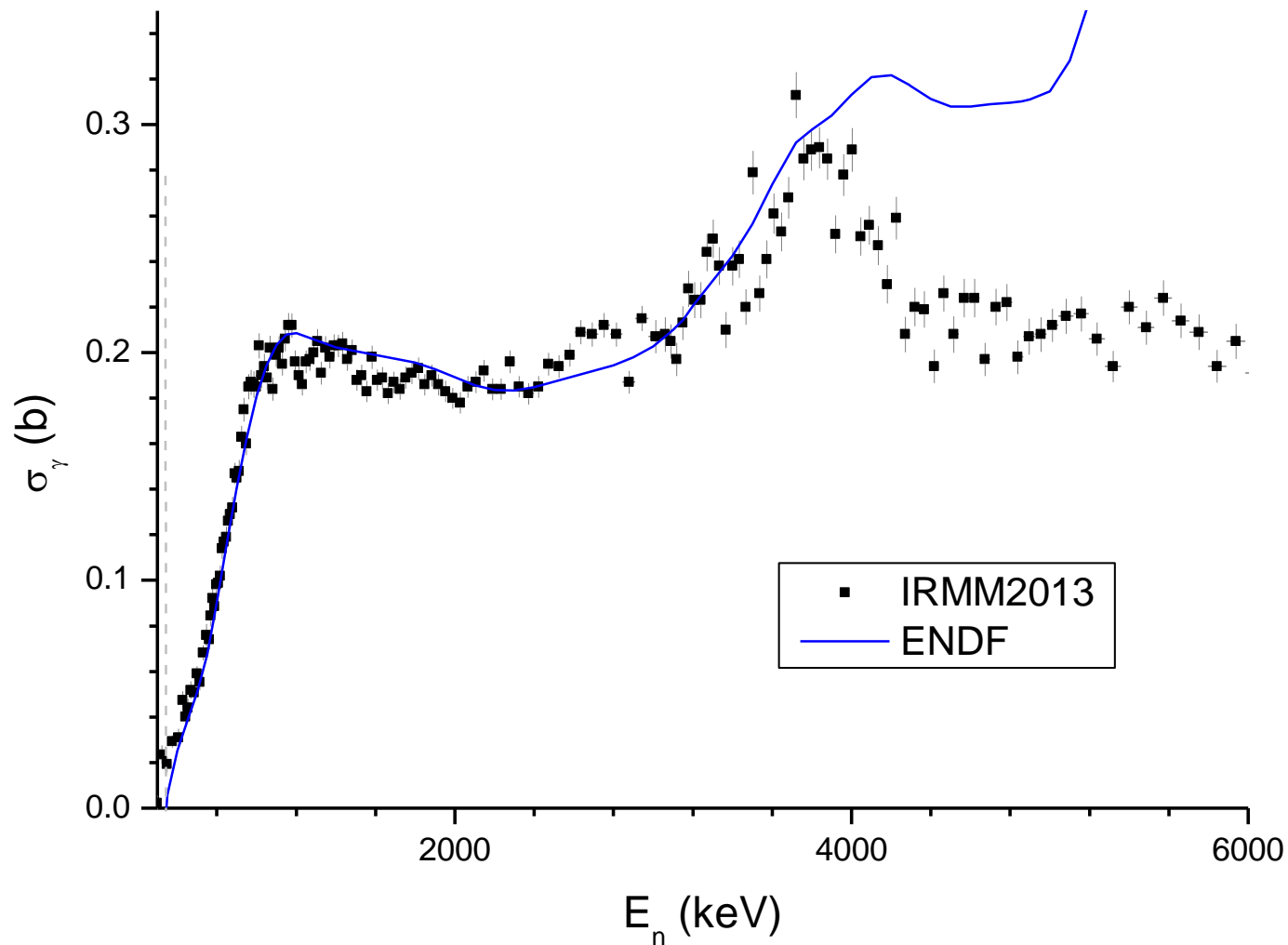
$Q_{\beta\beta}(^{76}\text{Ge})$  2039 keV



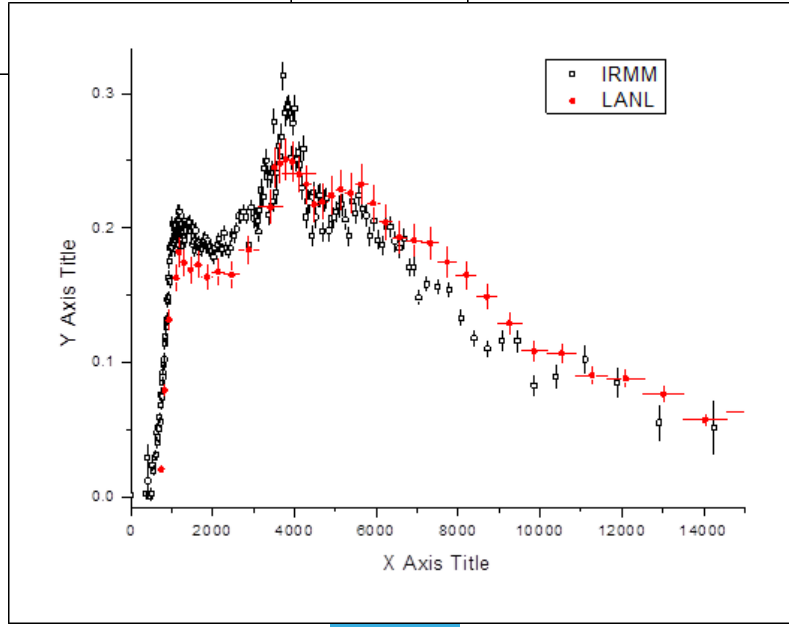
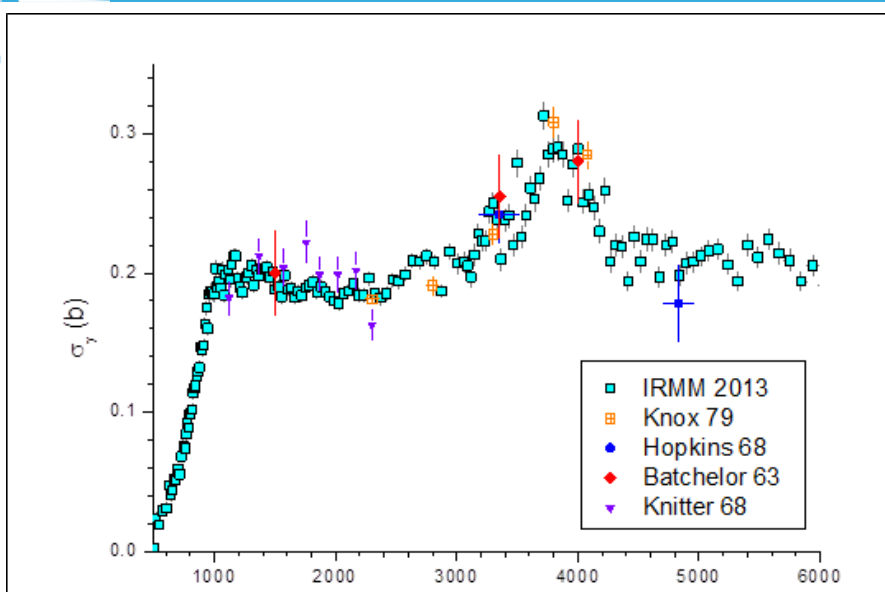
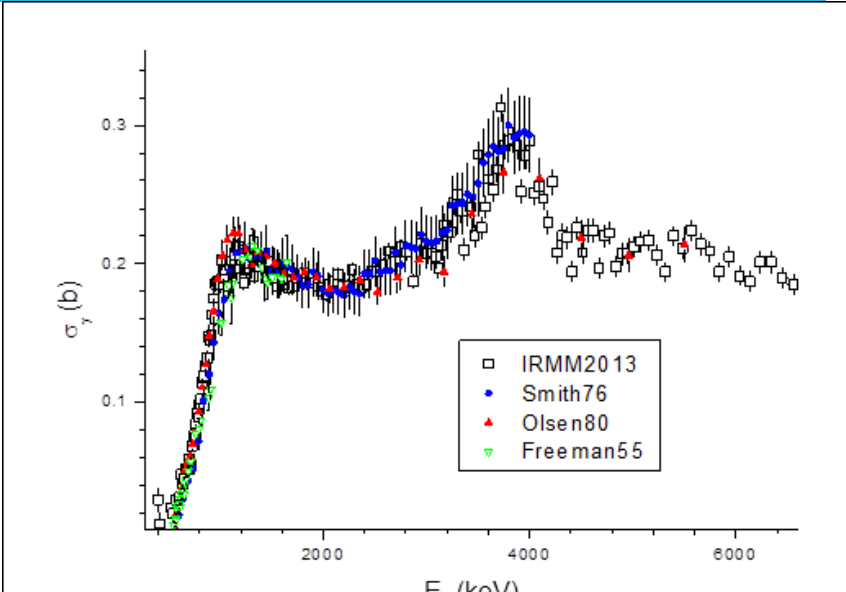
$Q_{\beta\beta}(^{130}\text{Te})$  2528 keV



# ${}^7\text{Li}(n,n'\gamma)$ A possible $\gamma$ -standard?



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# HZDR

NPA paper Beyer et al.  $^{56}\text{Fe}(n,n'g)$  appeared 2014.  
Of interest to CIELO.  
Contact A. Junghans or R. Schwengner of HZDR.  
Data appear to be in good agreement with IRMM data.

# Summary

- Broad range of experimental activities in EU
- National programs (main source of funding)
- European coordination (ANDES, ERINDA, EUFRAT all ended)
- CHANDA aims at new capabilities: method development, new facilities
- Nuclear Data Weeks at OECD-NEA connect JEFF evaluation work and experimental efforts aimed at application (role EWG)