



# Highlights and future plans at RIBF

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  - “island-of-inversion” and beyond
  - at A~110 decay spectroscopy
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# RIKEN RI Beam Factory (RIBF)

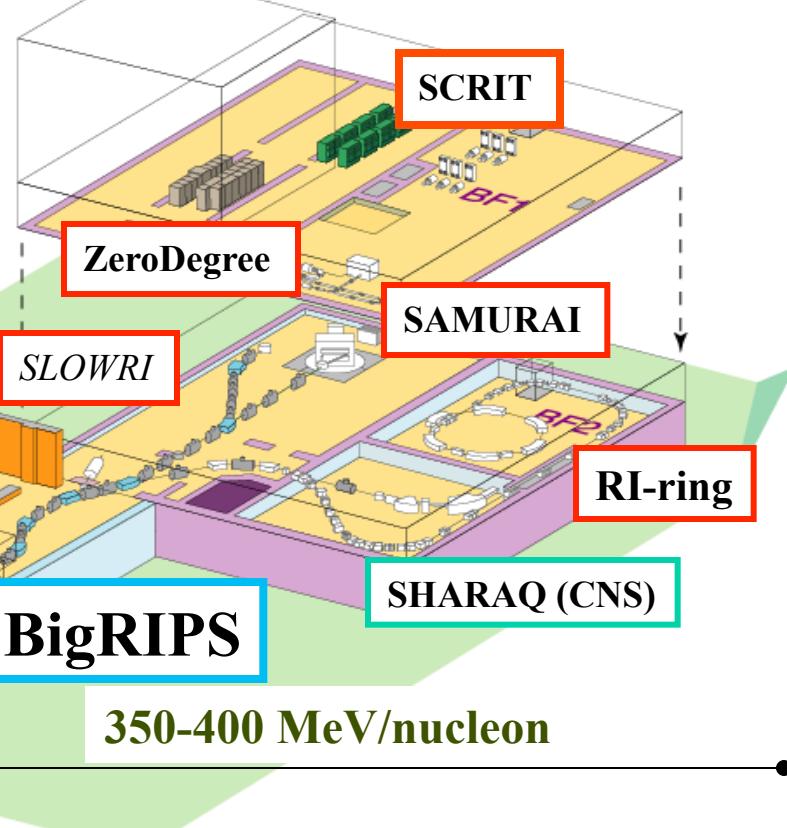
Old facility



Experiment facility

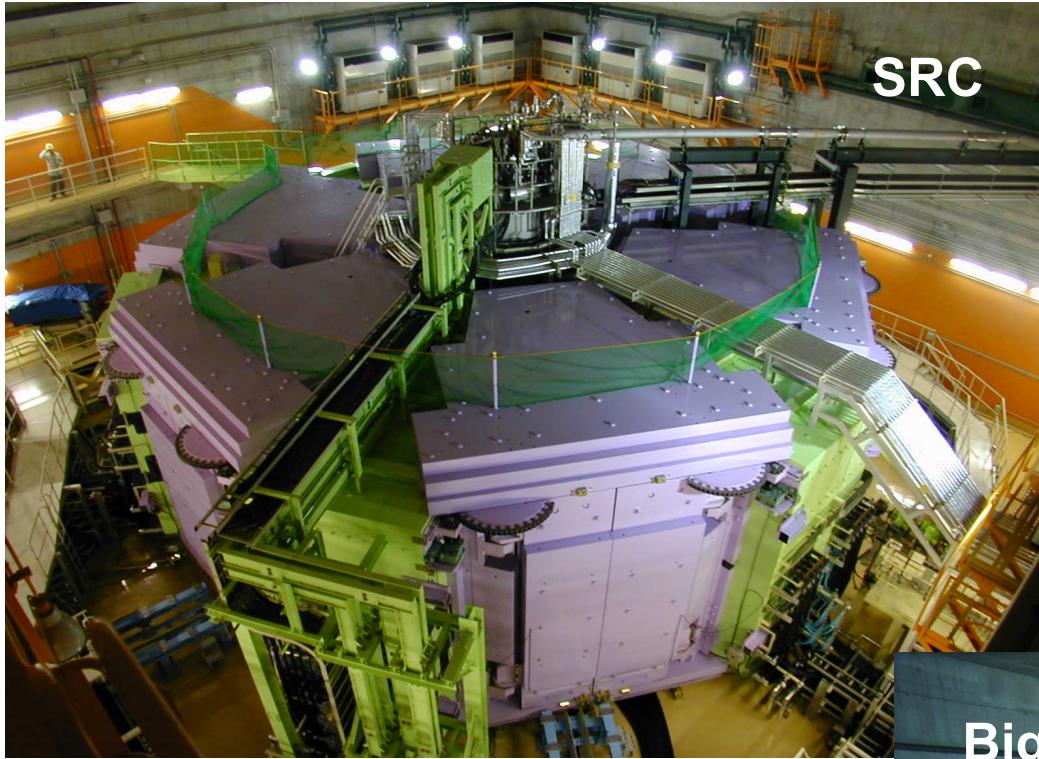
To be funded

Accelerator



New facility

Intense (80 kW max.) H.I. beams (up to U) of 345AMeV at SRC  
Fast RI beams by projectile fragmentation and U-fission at BigRIPS  
Operation since 2007



## World's First and Strongest K2600MeV Superconducting Ring Cyclotron

400 MeV/u Light-ion beam  
345 MeV/u Uranium beam

World's Largest Acceptance  
9 Tm  
Superconducting RI beam Separator

~250-300 MeV/nucleon RIB





# Press-Conference on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

June 8, 2010  
RIKEN

## Scientists discover 45 new radioisotopes in 4 days

放射性同位元素効率的発見 研  
4日で新たに45種 每日新聞 2010年(平成22年)6月22日(火)

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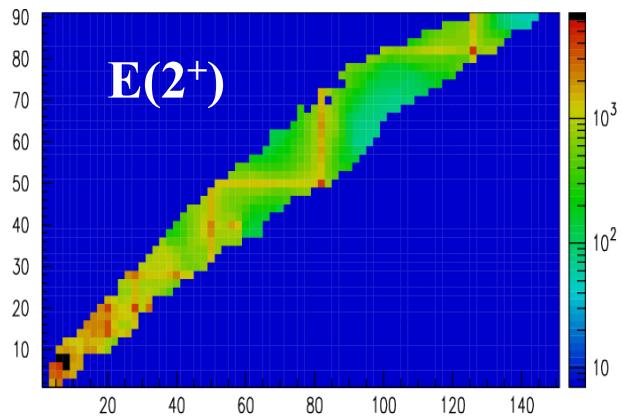
BigRIPS has found 45 new radioisotopes

The chart of the known nuclides has been extended significantly by physicists in Japan, who have discovered 45 new neutron-rich isotopes. The nuclei were spotted at the RIKEN laboratory by smashing a powerful beam of heavy ions into beryllium and lead targets.

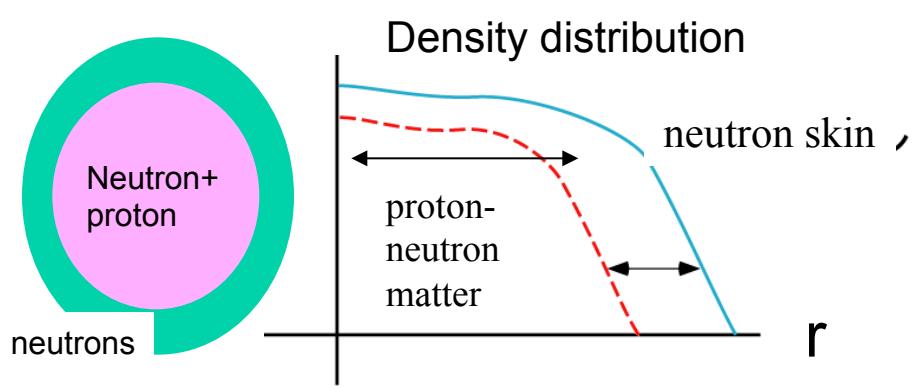
Kameda, 18 new isomers

# Challenges at the RIBF

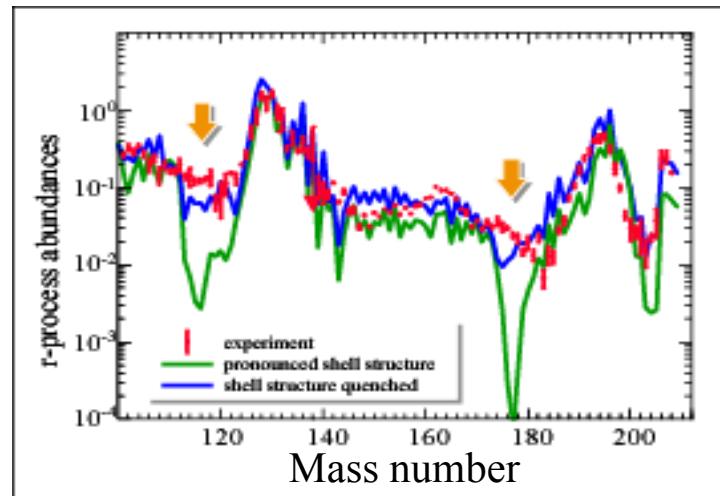
## Shell Evolution : magicity loss and new magicity



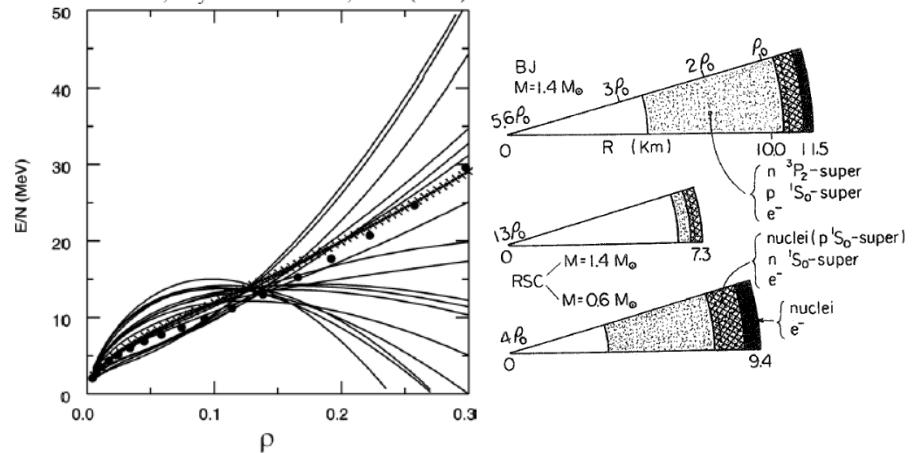
## Dynamics of new “material” : Neutron-skin (halo)



## Synthesis up to U (r-process)



## EOS: in asymmetric nuclear matter



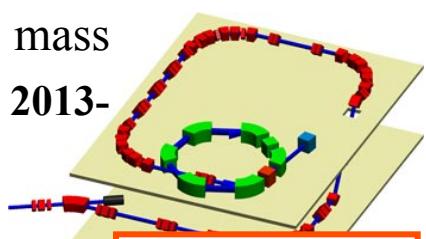
# New Experimental Devices of RIBF

To maximize the potentials of intense RI beams available at RIBF

## Rare RI ring

mass

2013-



Funded 2012

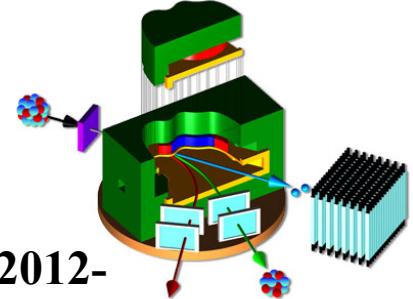
## SLOWRI

gas-catcher



to be funded

## SAMURAI



2012-

for several 100 – 1000 species

mass

half-life

excited states

deformation

charge radii

matter radii

charge distribution

matter distribution

EM moments

single particle states  
astrophysical reactions

giant resonances

exotic modes

HI collisions (EOS)

## ZeroDegree



2008-

## IRC-to-RIPS BT

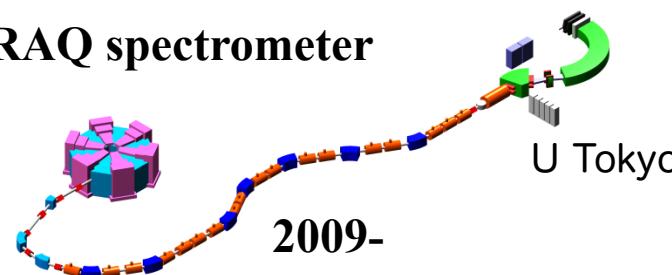
2012-

multi-use



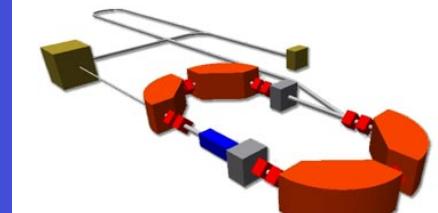
being funded

## SHARAQ spectrometer



2009-

## SCRIT



2010- (e+RI in 2012)

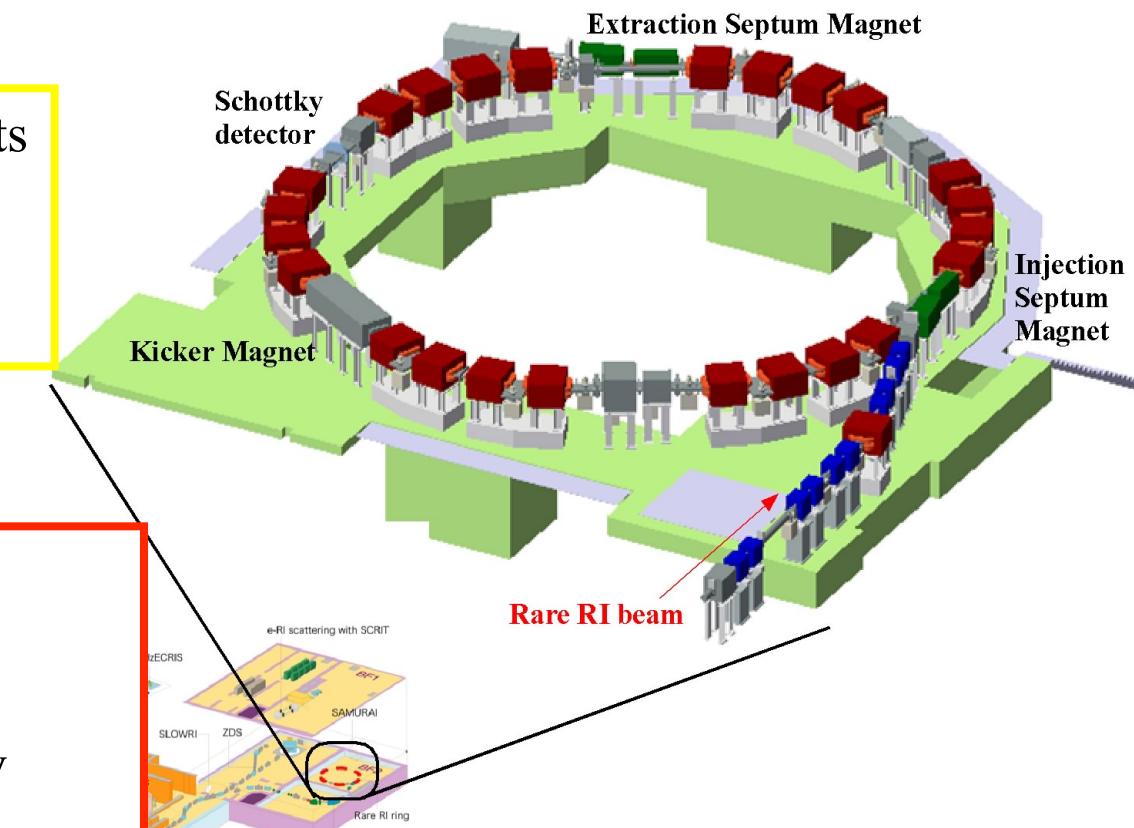
U Tokyo

# “Rare RI Ring” for mass measurement

Construction started in April 2012!  
Ozawa, Wakasugi, Uesaka et al.

Specialized to mass measurements  
of r-process nuclei  
Low production rate (~1/day)  
Short life time (<50ms)

Key technologies:  
Isochronous ring  
 $\Delta T/T < 10^{-6}$  for  $\delta p/p = \pm 0.5\%$   
 Individual injection triggered by  
a detector at BigRIPS  
efficiency ~ 100%  
even for a “cyclotron” beam



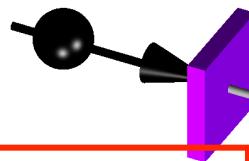
**Schedule:**  
**2014 Commissioning run**  
**2015~ Mass measurements of RI**

# SAMURAI Spectrometer

Kobayashi et al 2012-

versatile spectrometer with a large superconducting magnet

Spectroscopy of  
Unbound States e.g. ( $\gamma, n$ )  
( $p, 2p$ )  
Nucl. Astrophys. ( $p, \gamma$ )  
3NF w/ pol. deuteron  
EoS in HIC



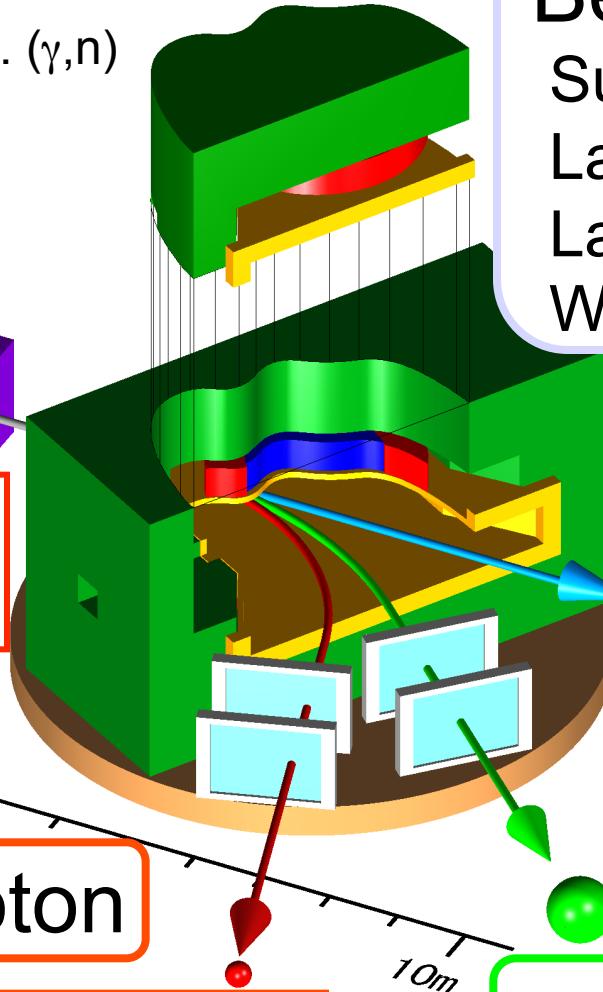
March Commissioning  
May B-19, C-22 etc.

$\vec{d}$  setup

(not shown in picture)

Proton

NSCL, Liverpool, TA&M joining this project



Bending Magnet

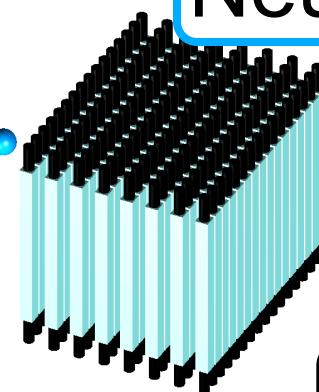
Superconducting

Large  $B \cdot L$  (7Tm)

Large pole gap (80cm)

Weight ~ 600 ton

Neutron

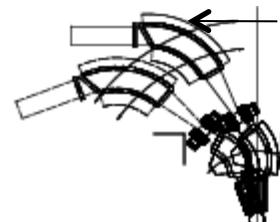


TPC

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Heavy Ion

# Experimental Devices available at the new facility

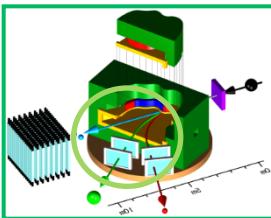


SHARAQ(2009~) CNS-UT

High resolution spectrometer

Miki et al., PRL 108, 262503 (2012)  
IVSMR in Zr-90 and Pb-208 via ( $t$ ,He3)

SAMURAI (2012~)



ZeroDegree (2008~)

2nd

BigRIPS (2007~)

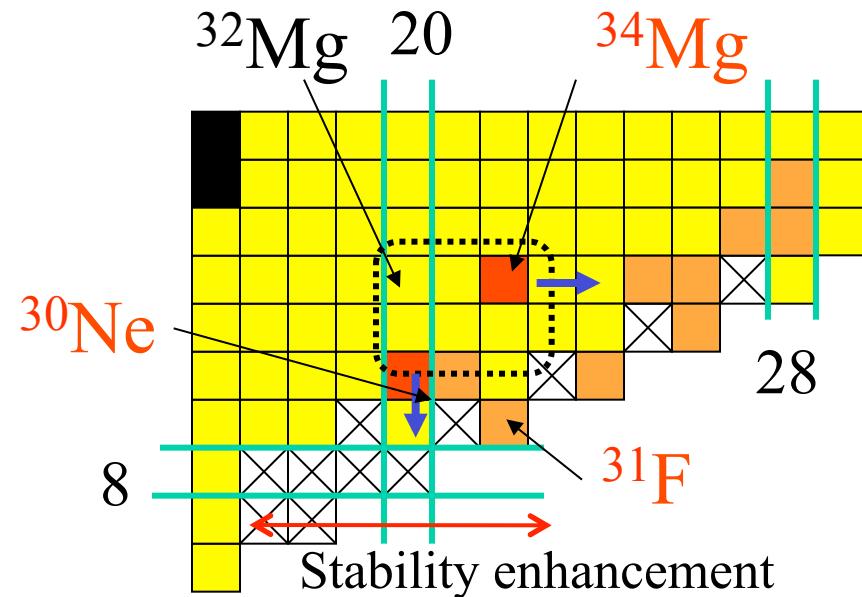
1st

production target

BigDpol(2009~)

For polarized deuteron only  
SRC

# Spectroscopy on nuclei in “island-of-inversion” and beyond



How the deformation region expands toward the drip line?

Deformed halo nuclei?

deformed core + valence n in a low L orbit

M. Misu et al., Nucl. Phys. A 614 (97) 44

I. Hamamoto, Phys. Rev. C69 (04) 041306R

Something new associated  
with weakly bound natures?  
pairing gap  $\sim$  separation energy  
di-neutron ?  
cluster formation?

Total interaction cross sections

Inclusive Coulomb breakup

In-beam gamma spectroscopy

1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2008

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2009

3<sup>rd</sup> Nov/Dec 2010

20 days for 6 programs

+ decay (parasitic)

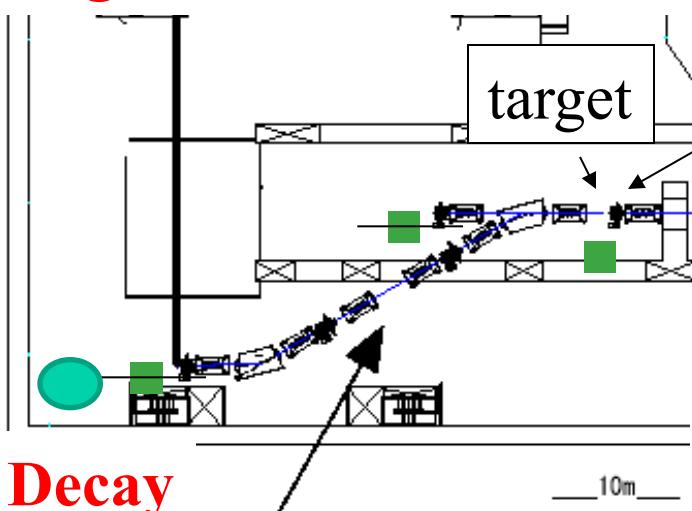
K. Steiger

# Setup

In-beam gamma spectroscopy

Coulomb breakup

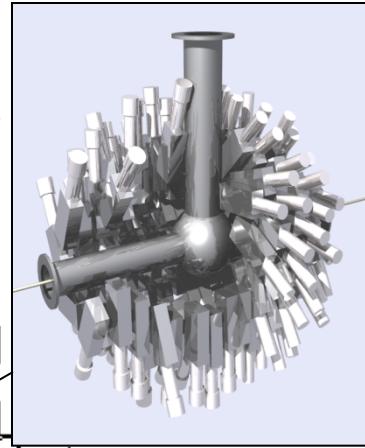
BigRIPS+ZDS



ZeroDegree Spectrometer

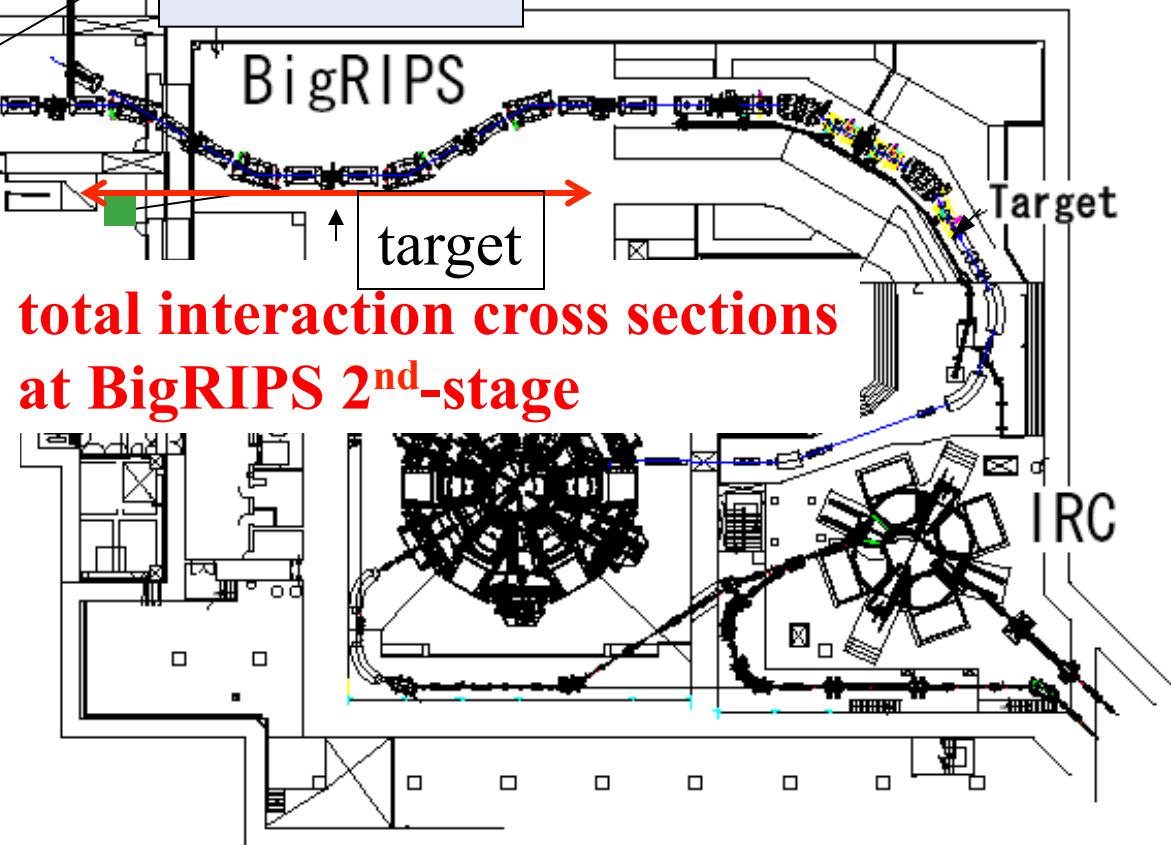
PID for ejectiles

■ Experimental set-ups



DALI-II

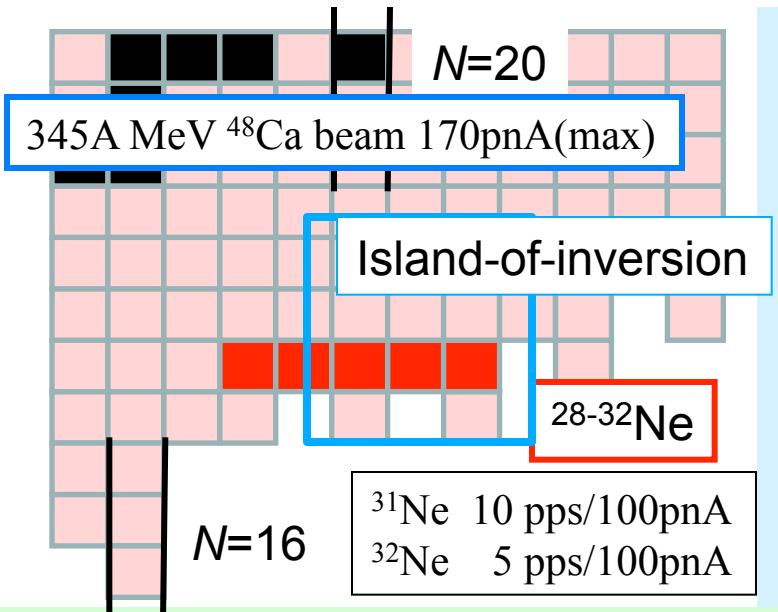
NaI-based gamma Detectors



total interaction cross sections  
at BigRIPS 2<sup>nd</sup>-stage

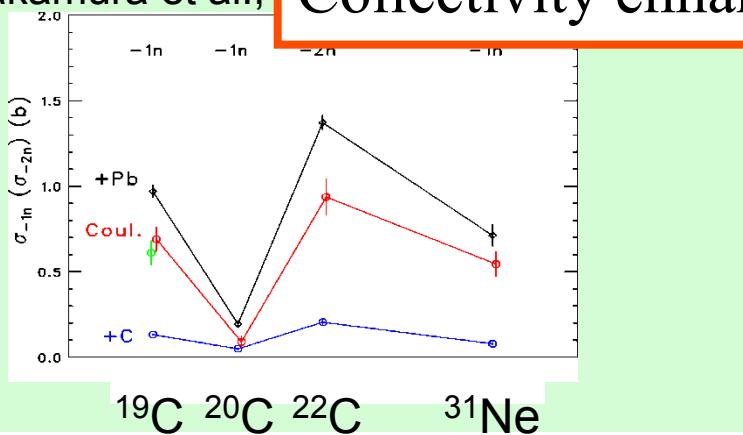
# DayOne Experiments in Dec., 2008

-The first data in the “island-of-inversion” -

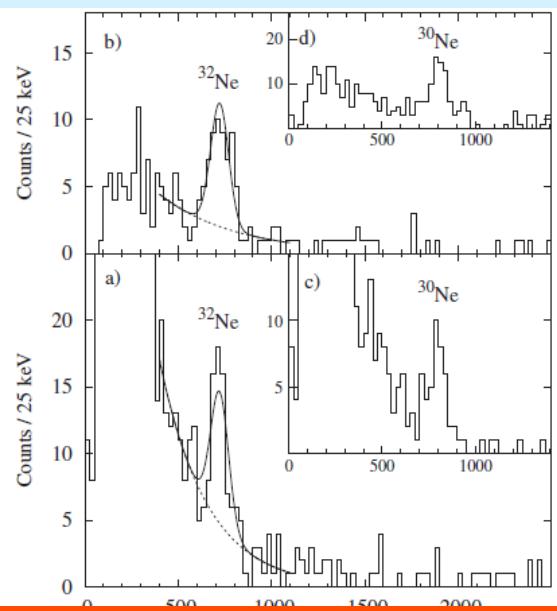


A new candidate via Coulomb br

Deformed halo Ne-31  
Collectivity enhancement toward the drip line



cross sections for the neutron-rich Ne isotopes  
New halos Ne-29, Ne-31  
Takechi, Otsubo et al., PLB 707, 357 (2012)

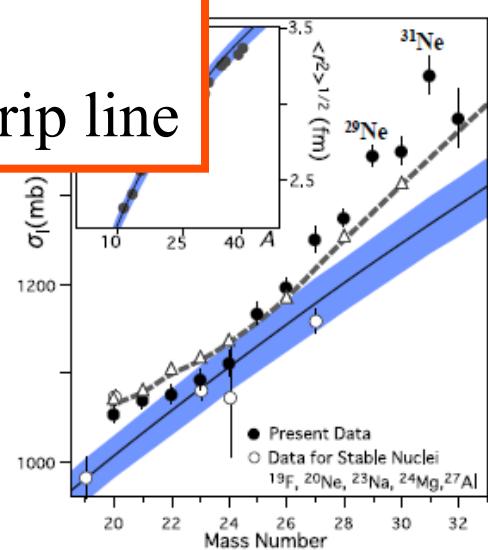


Spectroscopy of  $^{32}\text{Ne}$  and the “island-of-inversion”

$$E(2+) = 722 \text{ keV}$$

Doornenbal, Scheit et al.  
PRL 103, 032501 (2009)

New states in  $^{31,32,33}\text{Na}$   
PRC 81, 041305R (2010)

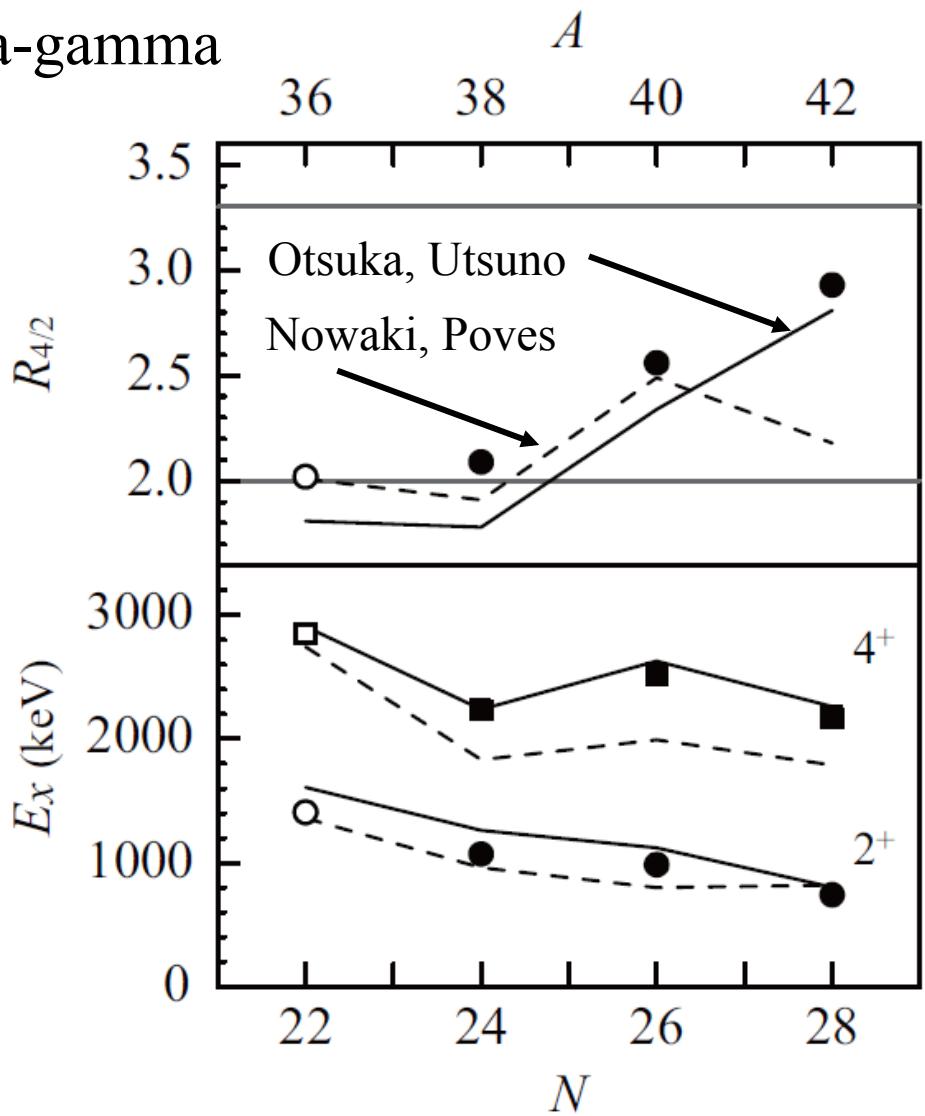
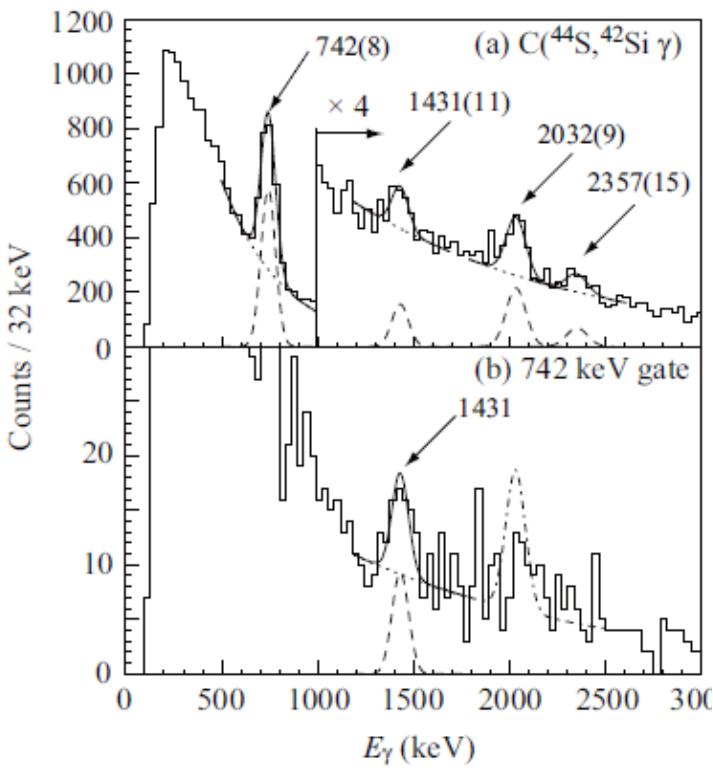
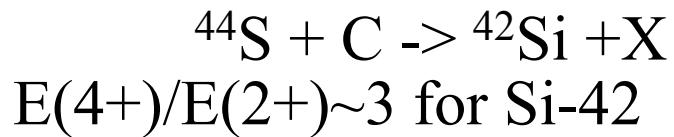


# Large deformation of $^{42}\text{Si}$

S. Takeuchi et al., submitted.

Confirmation of  $2^+$  energy observed at GANIL

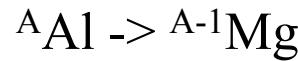
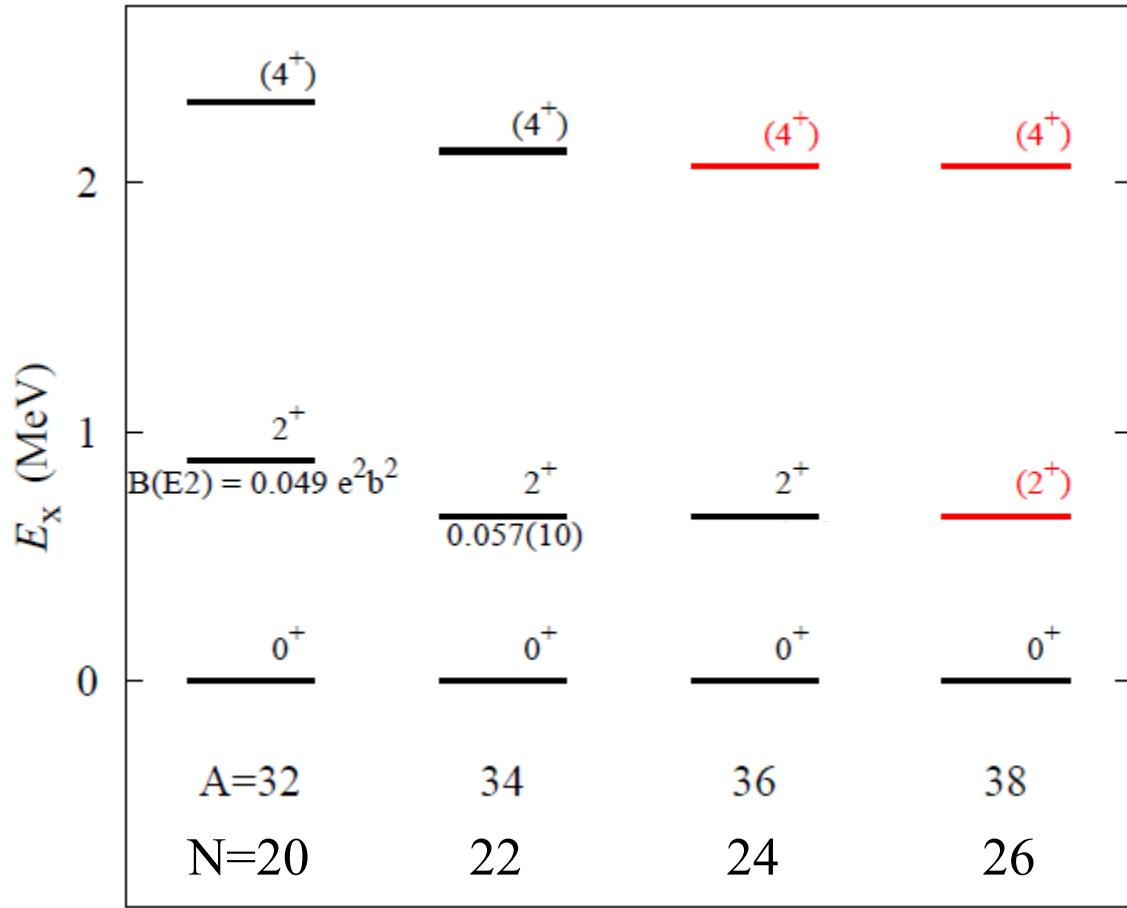
High statistic data allows gamma-gamma  
Coincidence



# The deformation region is not an island but a peninsula ??

P. Doornenbal, et al. in preparation

## Excitation Energy of $2^+$ and $4^+$ in Mg



For  $A=34$  to 38

$E(2^+) \sim 700 \text{ keV}$

$E(4^+)/E(2^+) \sim 3.1$

At  $N=22, 24, 26$  the nuclei  
are well deformed

No increase of  $E(2^+)$  at  $N=26$   
 $N=28$  for Mg is not magic

$B(E2)?$

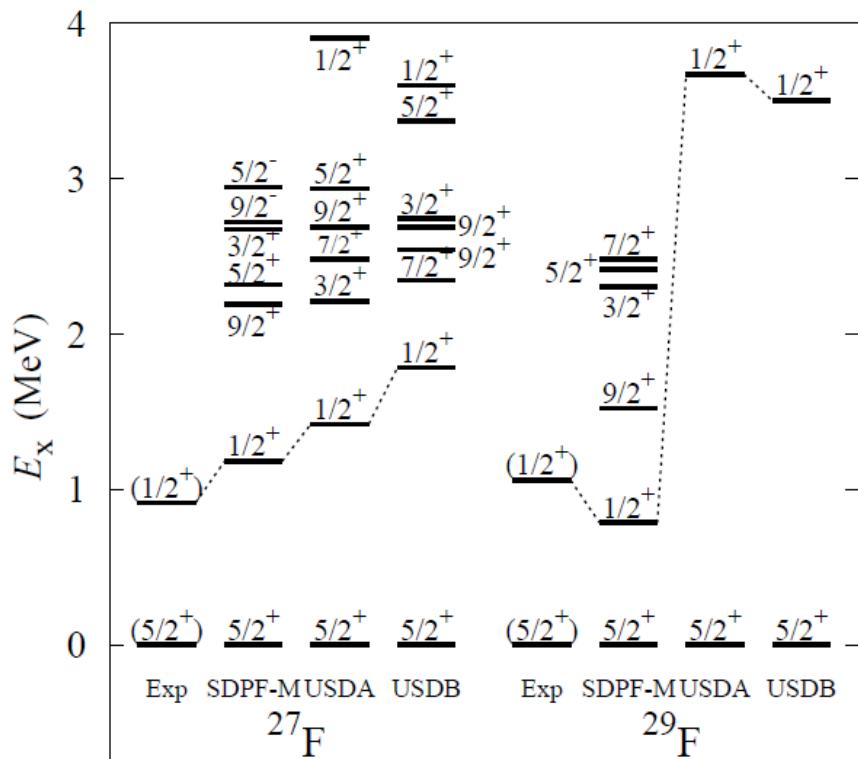
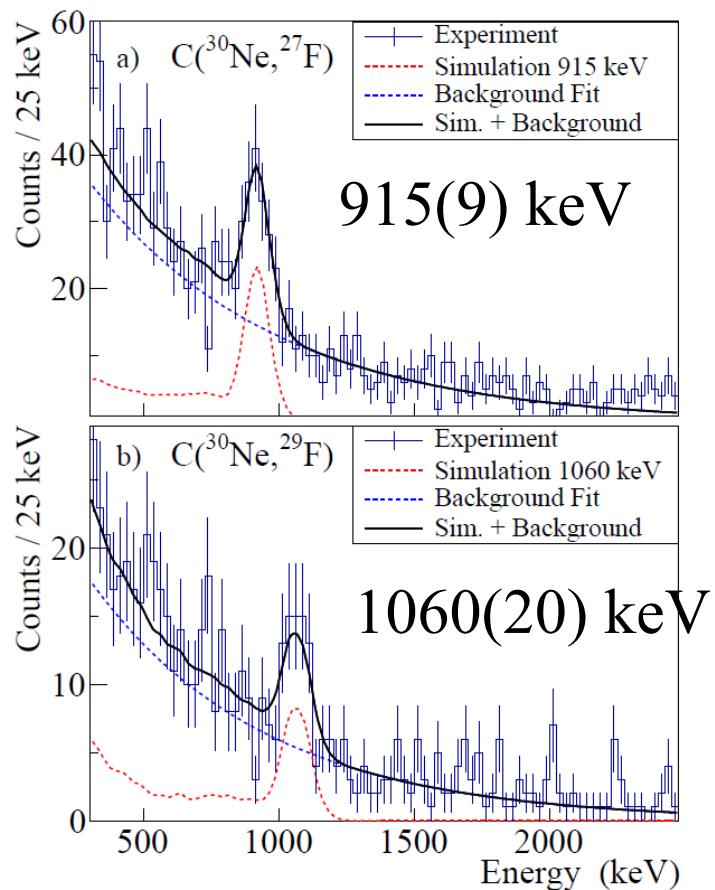
$\text{Mn/Mp?}$

$E(2^+), E(4^+)$  in  ${}^{40}\text{Mg}?$

Energy of single particle states?

# Spectroscopy on $^{29}\text{F}$

P. Doornenbal et al., in preparation



${}^{29}\text{F}$  is one of “island-of-inversion” nuclei

According to the Shell model by Utsuno and Otsuka,

${}^{29}\text{F}$   $1/2^+ \sim d\ 5/2^+ (\pi) \times {}^{28}\text{O}(2^+)$

1060 keV  $\rightarrow E(2^+)$  for  ${}^{28}\text{O}$  is 2.4 MeV. C.f. 4.7 MeV for  ${}^{24}\text{O}$

# The First Decay Spectroscopy at RIBF

2009 Dec.

Sumikama, Nishimura, et al.

U beam to access A~110 region

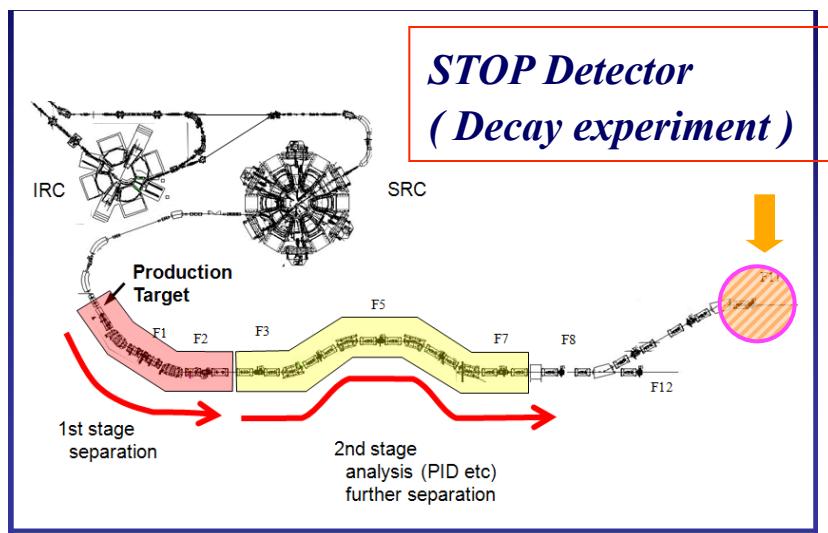
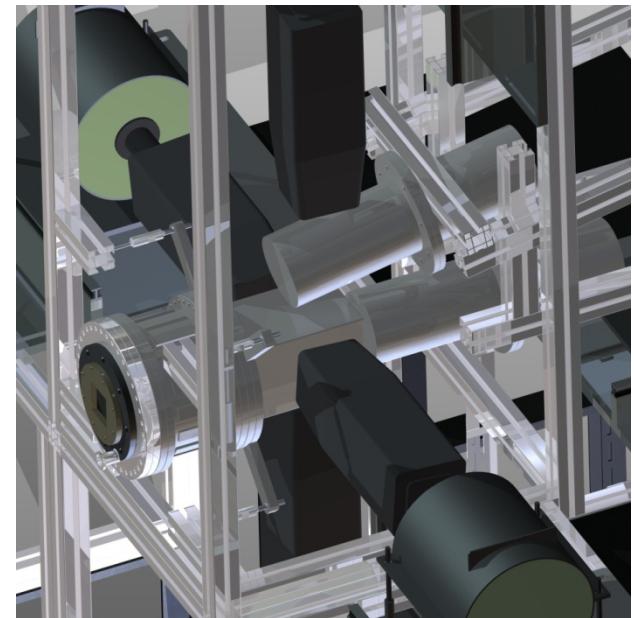
Collectivity

triaxiality, shape-coexistence, etc

Intensity 0.8 pnA max.

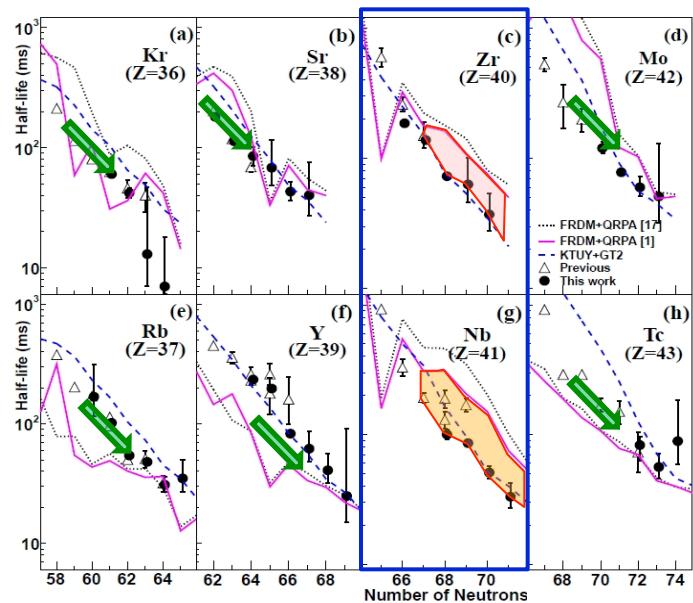
0.1-0.2 pnA on average

2.5 days for data accumulation

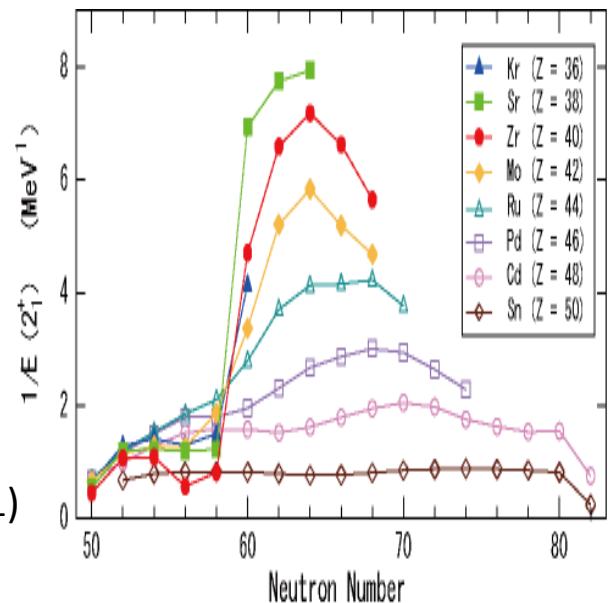


Clovers (RIKEN)  
 $\text{LaBr}_3$  (Milano)  
 9 layers of DSSD (RIKEN, TUS)

# Decay Spectroscopy on Neutron-rich Nuclei with A~110

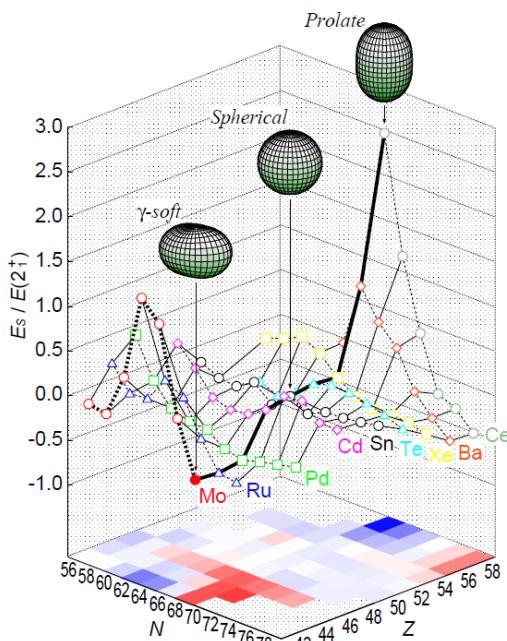
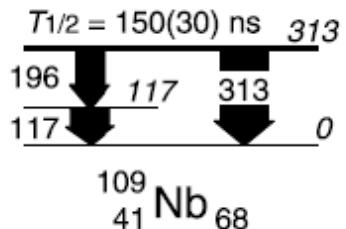


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S. Nishimura et al.,  
PRL 106, 052502 (2011)



Deformed magic N=64  
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T. Sumikama et al.,  
PRL 106, 202501 (2011)

Low-lying level structure of Nb-109:  
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Phys. Lett. B 696, 186-190 (2011)



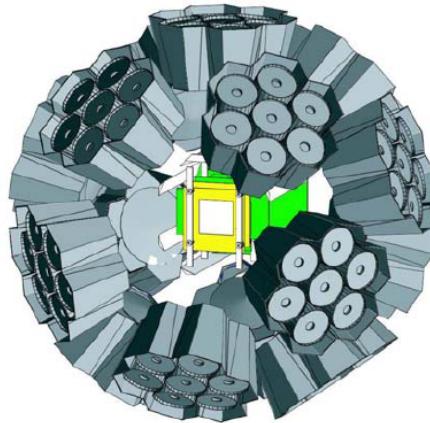
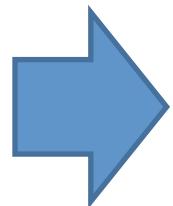
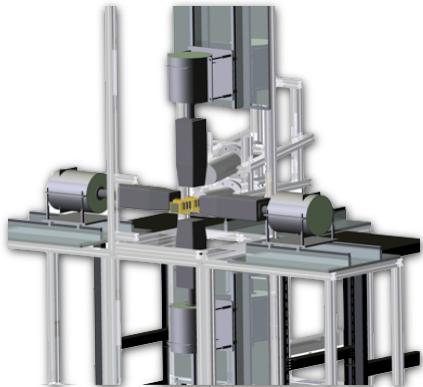
Development of axial  
asymmetry in neutron-rich  
nucleus Mo-110  
H. Watanabe et al.,  
Phys.Lett.B 704,270-275(2011)



# EURICA

## EUROBALL-RIKEN Cluster Array (EURICA) 2012-13

First decay spectroscopy in 2009



4 clovers

U beam  $\sim 0.1\text{pnA}$

2.5 days MT

4 papers

Total gain factor for gamma-ray statistics  
at EURICA campaign in 2012-13  $\times 1000$

gamma efficiency  $\times 10$

primary beam intensity  $\times 100$

Approved MT    100 days

Estimation for number of papers expected  
 $\sim 100 \text{ days} * 4 \text{ papers}/2.5 \text{ days} = \sim 160$

Cf. RHIC PHENIX  $\sim 100 \text{ papers}/10\text{years}$   
2012 March Commissioning

June    N=Z decay experiment

# Summary and additional information

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The SAMURAI spectrometer is starting ...

The mass ring project has been funded to measure mass of exotic nuclei

The “Island-of-inversion” region and beyond is the pilot region  
for nuclear structure study, and very attractive.

total interaction X section measurements, in-beam gamma spectroscopy

Decay spectroscopy is very efficient to produce outputs for  
nuclear structure as well as the r-process path.

EURICA is promoting decay spectroscopy.

## Accelerator status

A new beam of Zn-70: 80pnA maximum in July 2012

The new acceleration scheme with RILAC2 and gas-stripper system  
is increasing heavy-mass primary beams such as Xe and U.

Xe-124 20 pnA maximum in June 2012

U-238 > 5pnA in November 2012 (expected)

# EMIS 2012 Conference



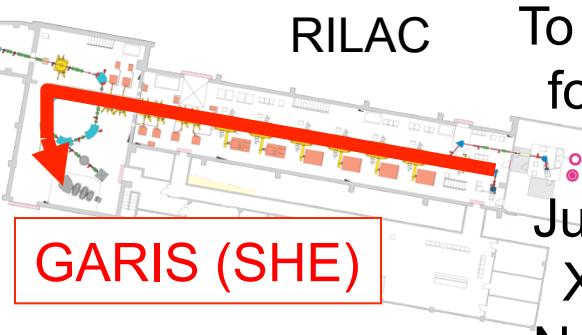
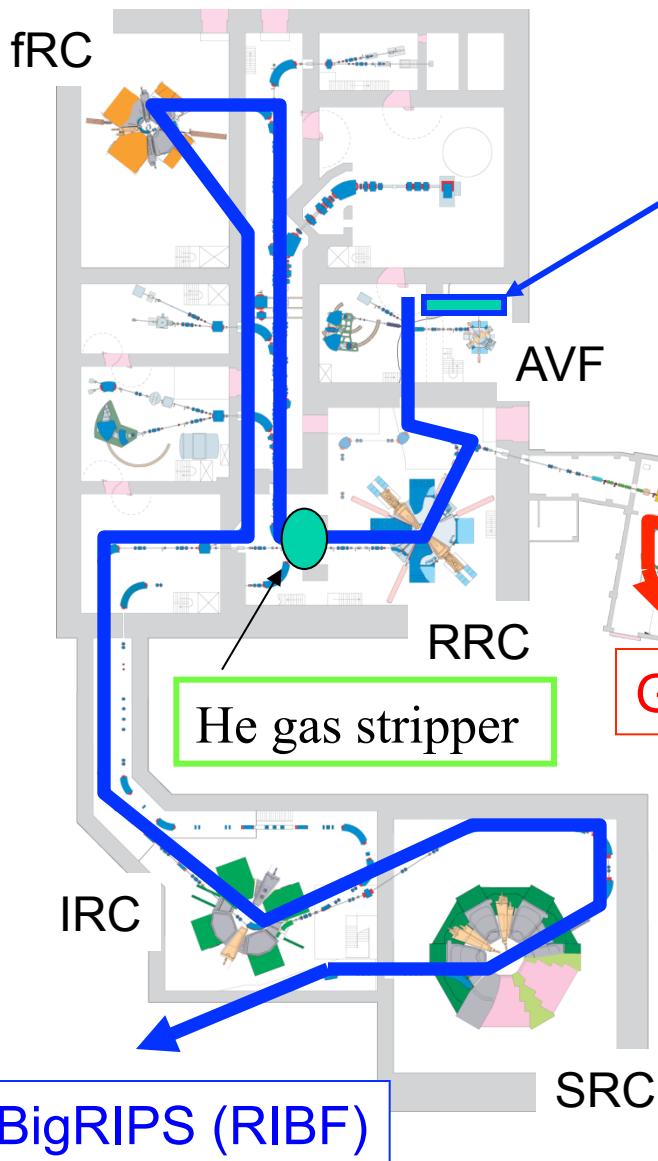
## Topics covered by the EMIS2012

- 1) On and off-line mass separation
- 2) Preparation of energetic radioactive beams
- 3) Target techniques and ion sources
- 4) Techniques related to high-power beams
- 5) Ion guides and gas jets
- 6) In-flight separators and storage rings
- 7) Ion optics and spectrometers
- 8) Mass spectrometry
- 9) Traps and laser techniques
- 10) Equipment for radioactive beam experiments
- 11) Applications
- 12) Reactions for radioactive isotope productions
- 13) Facility initiatives

<http://ribf.riken.jp/emis2012>



# New Injector RILAC2 coupled with 28GHz SC-ECRIS to deliver more intense beam and more opportunities for SHE



To deliver more intense Xe/U  
for the new facility

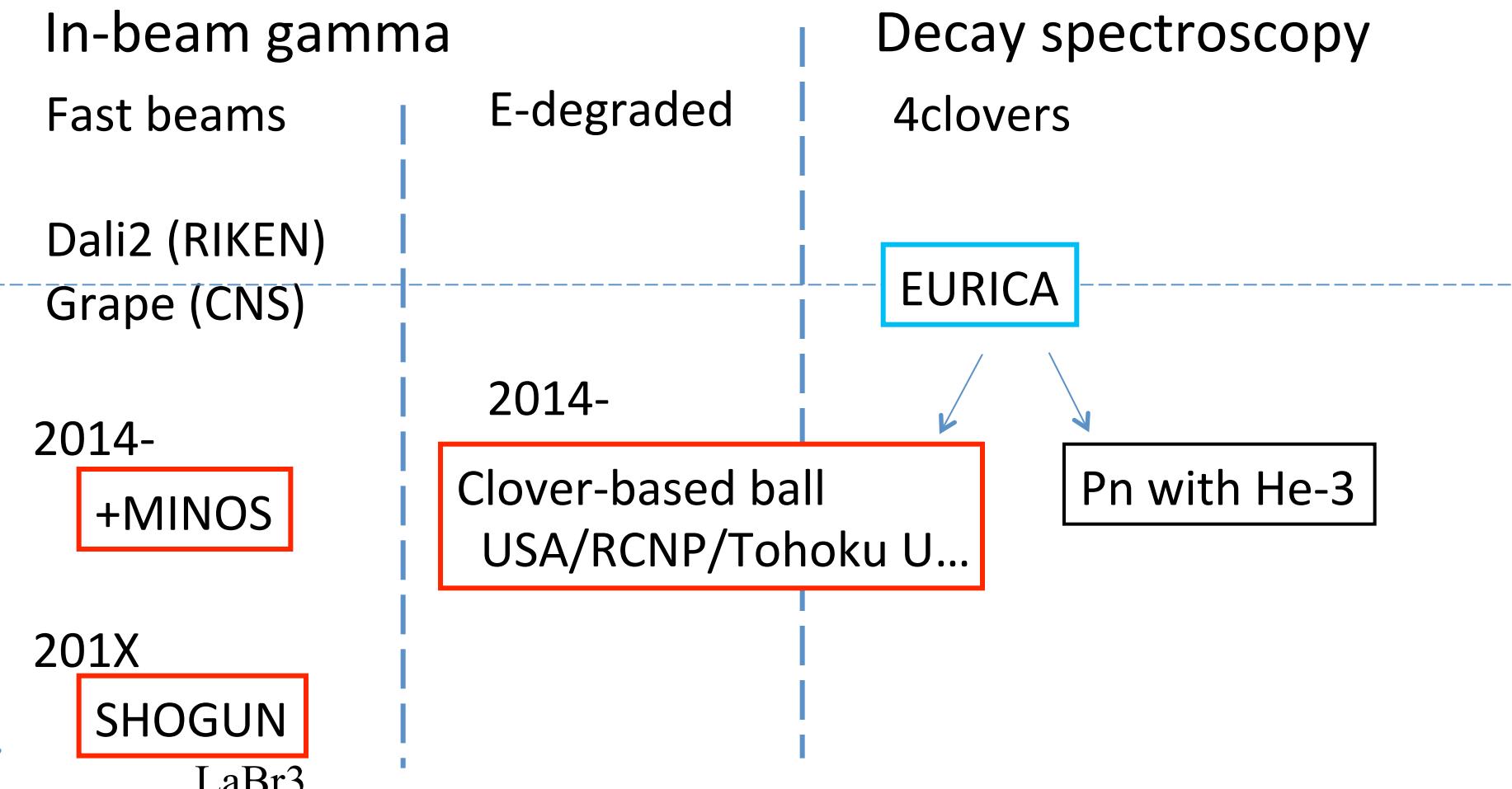
June 2012

Xe-124 20pnA max

Nov. 2012

U-238 >5pnA at max.  
(expected)

# SUNFLOWER gamma-detector based Perspectives for coming 5 year



Project-by-project, Issue-by-Issue,  
to form WG and collaboration, to organize WS

# SCRIT Electron Scattering Facility

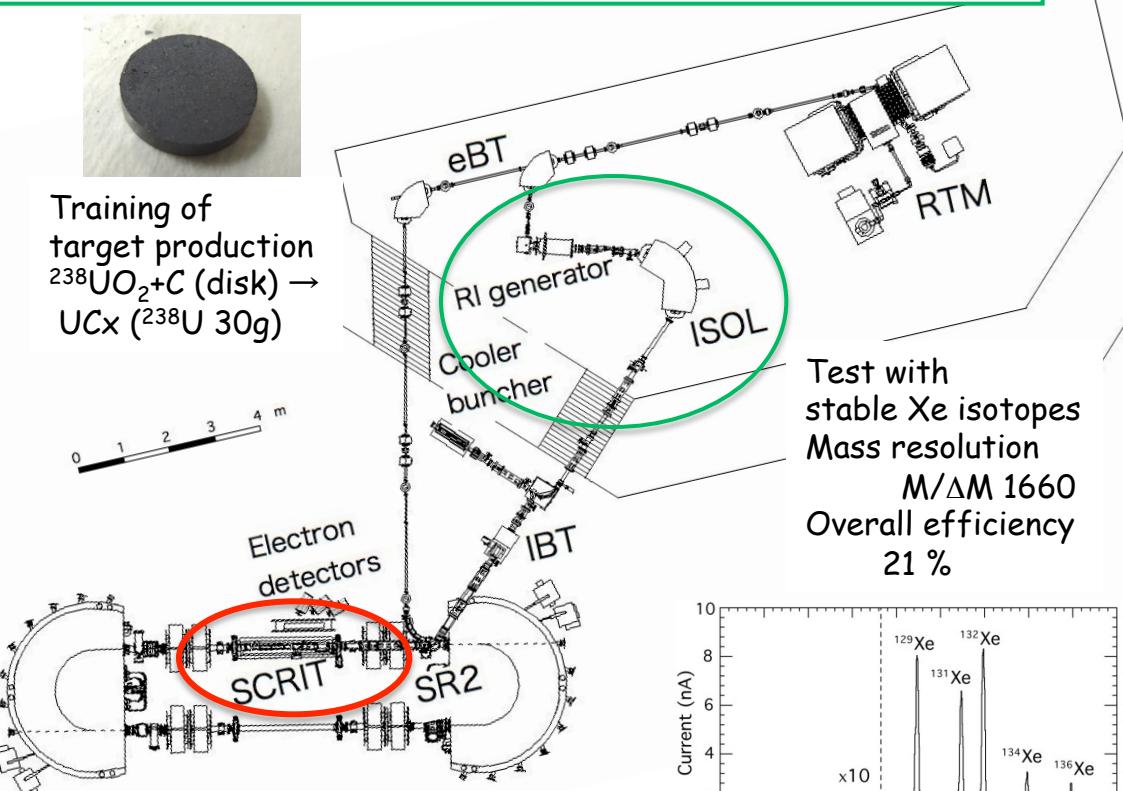
Wakasugi et al.

- 2009 Facility constructions
- 2010 Tuning of accelerators  
Installation of SCRIT
- 2011 SCRIT performance test  
ISOL commissioning
- 2012 Test of RI production  
Tuning of ISOL
- 2013 Upgrade RTM  
Construction e-Spectromete  
Full-scale RI production  
Start Experiments for RI's

## Commissioning of ISOL and preparation of UCx target

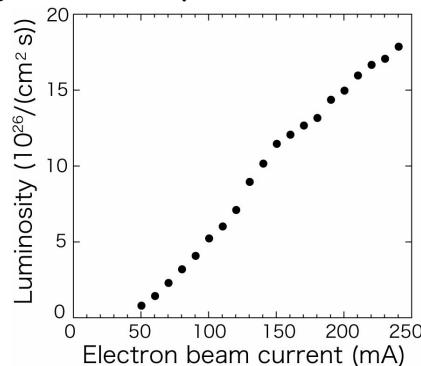


Training of target production  
 $^{238}\text{UO}_2 + \text{C}$  (disk)  $\rightarrow$   
UCx ( $^{238}\text{U}$  30g)



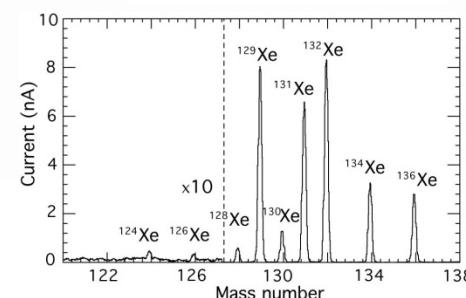
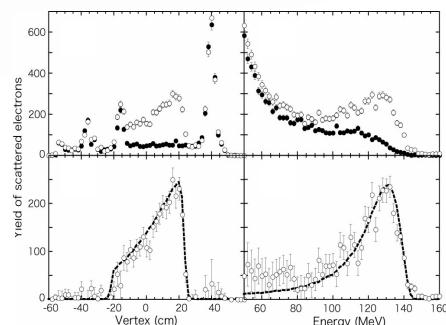
## Test Experiments using Stable $^{133}\text{Cs}$

Achieved luminosity  $1.8 \times 10^{27} / (\text{cm}^2\text{s})$   
Ion trapping efficiency 85 %  
at 240 mA

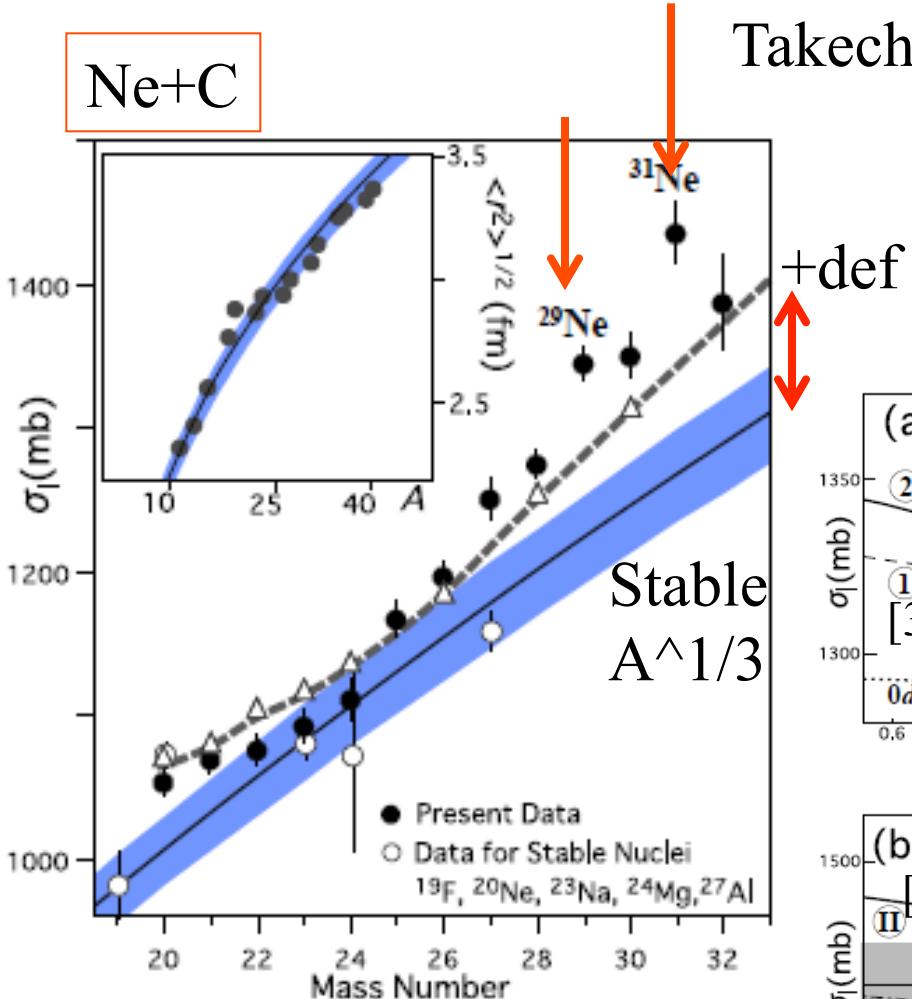


Measurements of Electrons elastically scattered from trapped Cs ions in SCRIT

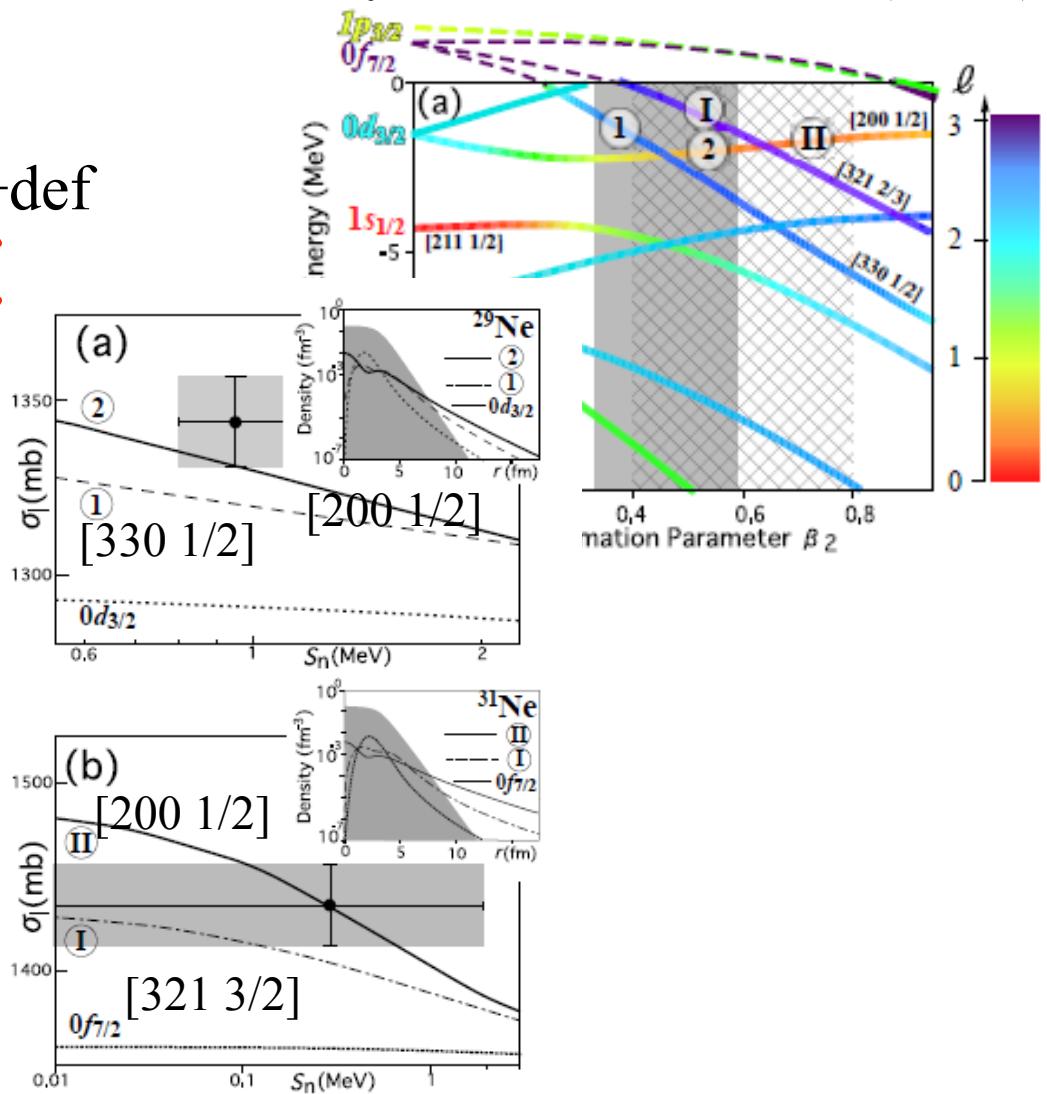
- with Cs
- without Cs



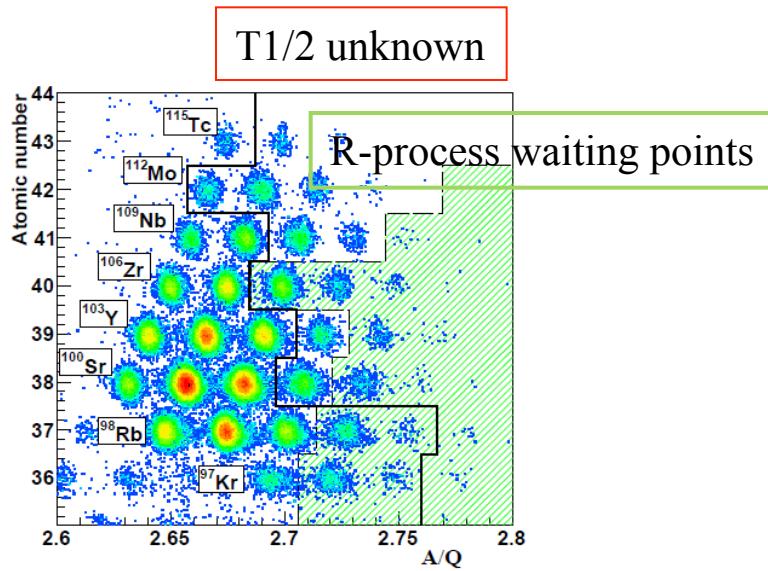
# Halo Structures of $^{29}\text{Ne}$ and $^{31}\text{Ne}$



Takechi et al., Phys. Lett. B707, 357 (2012)



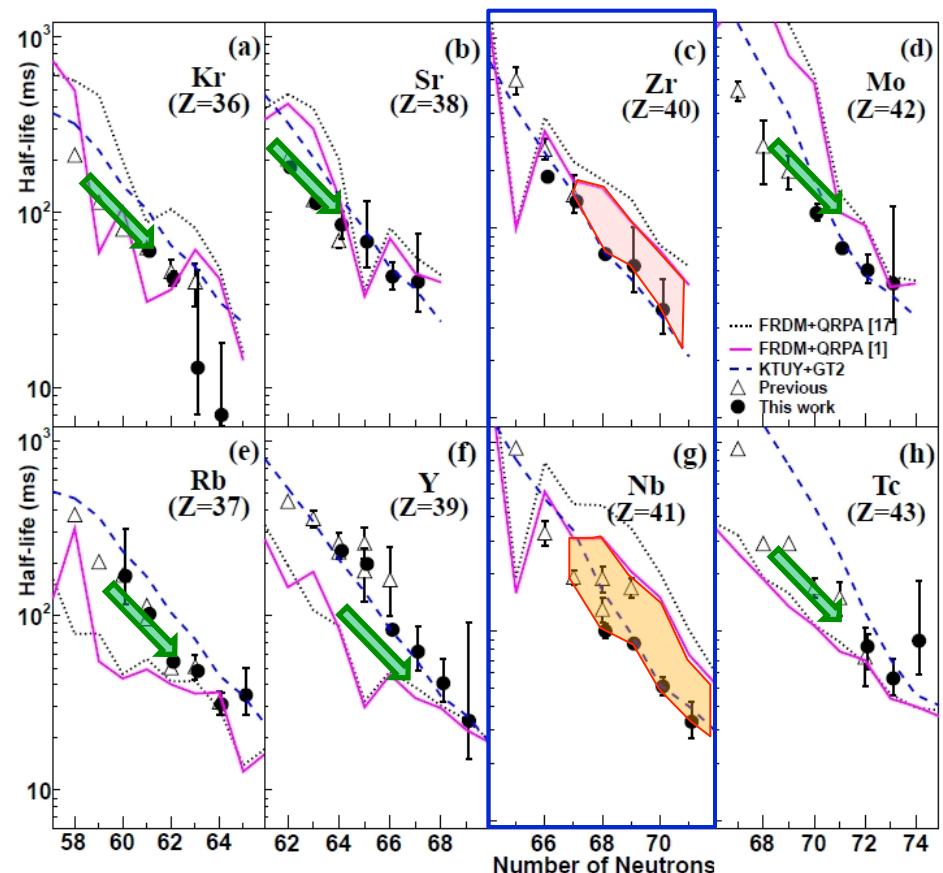
# Brand-new half-life data for 18 isotopes



8 hour data acquisition  
 T1/2 data of 38 isotopes including  
 first data for 18 isotopes  
 FRDM may underestimate Q-value  
 for Zr and Nb by 1 MeV at A~110  
 More rapid flow in the rapid  
 neutron-capture process  
 than expected

S. Nishimura et al., PRL 106 (11) 052502

1/3 ~ 1/2 Shorter Half-lives of  
 Zr and Nb (A~110)





# Exploration of the Limit of Existence



stable nuclei



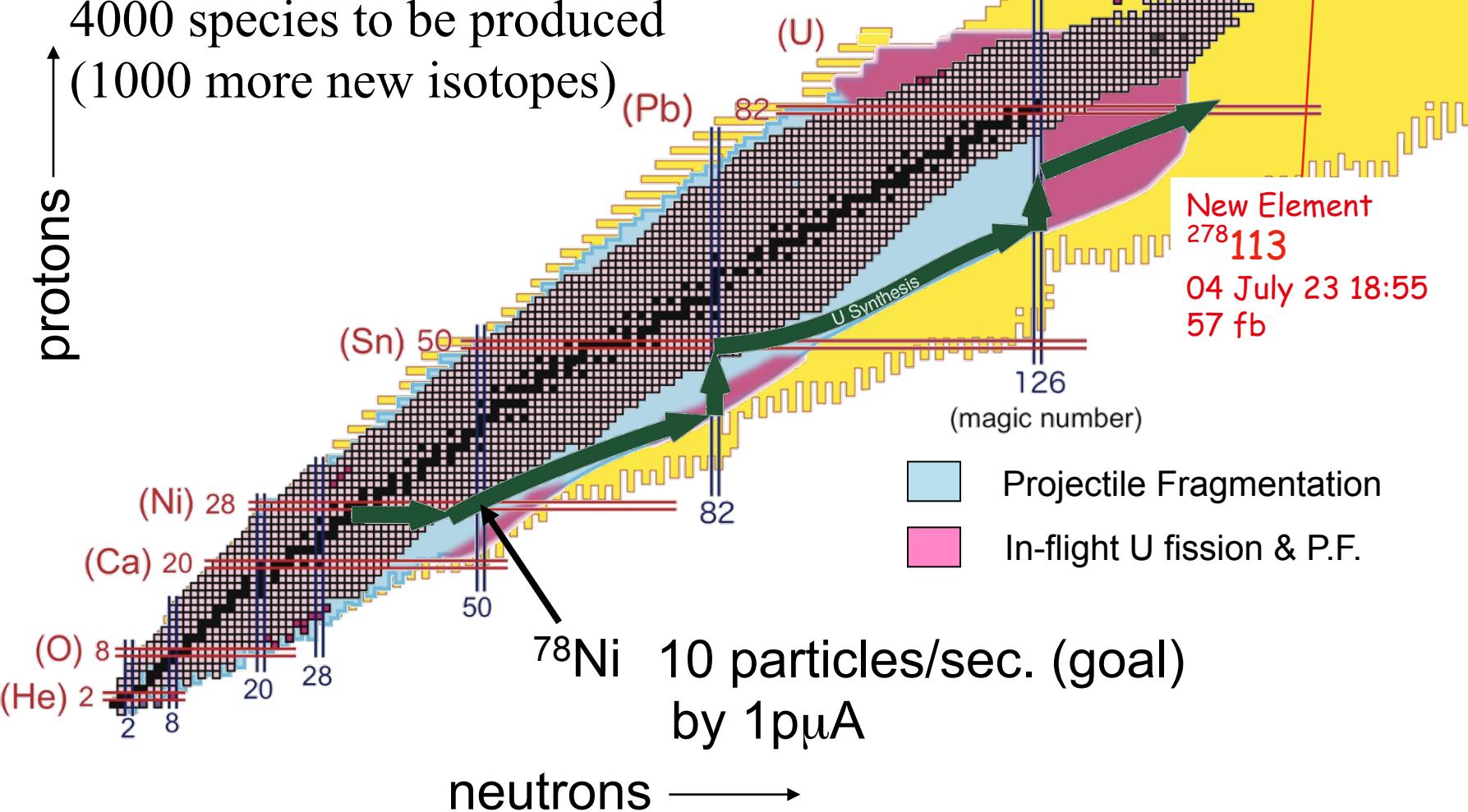
unstable nuclei observed so far

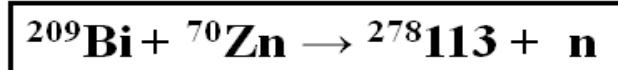


drip-lines (limit of existence) (theoretical predictions)

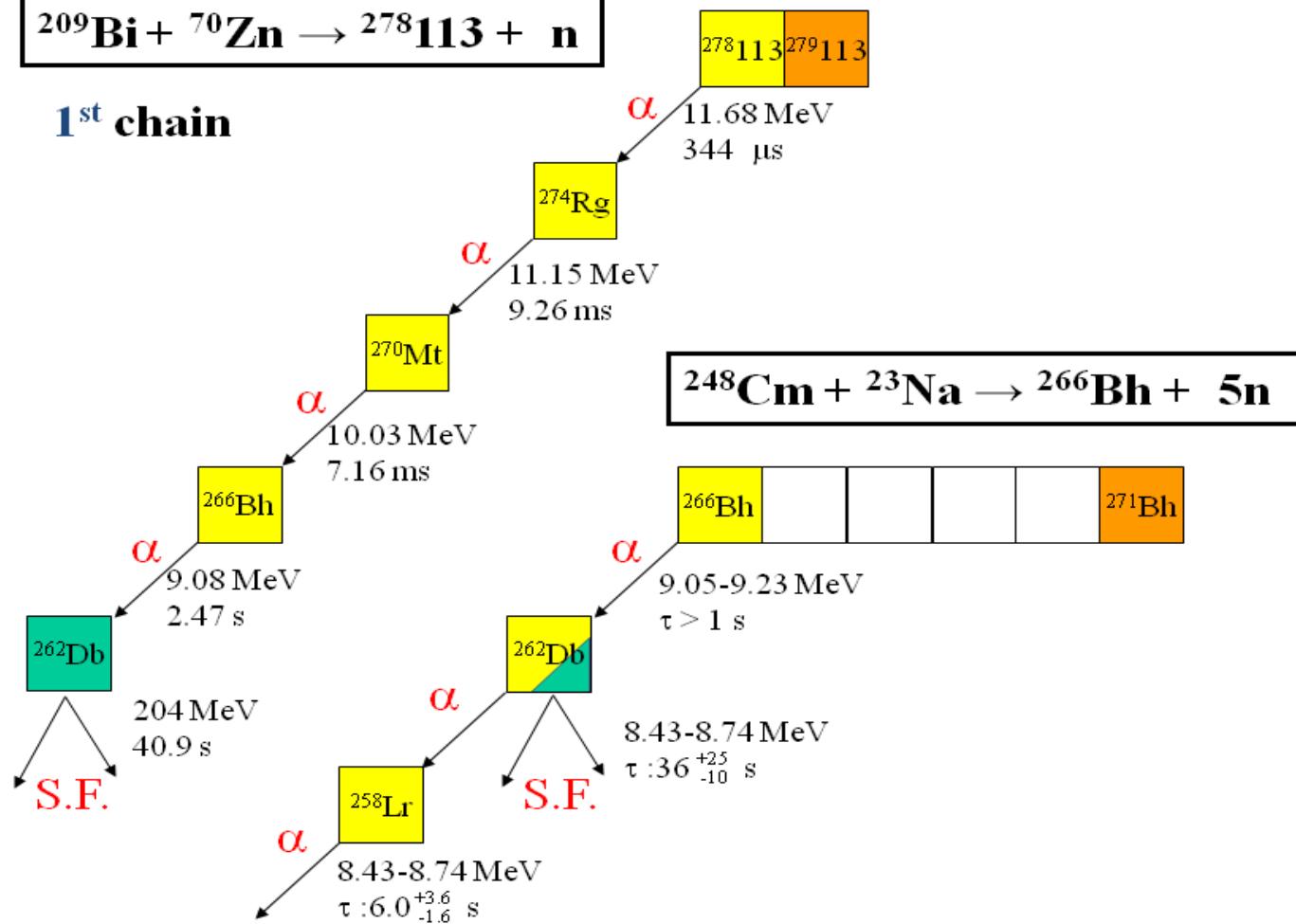


magic numbers





**1<sup>st</sup> chain**

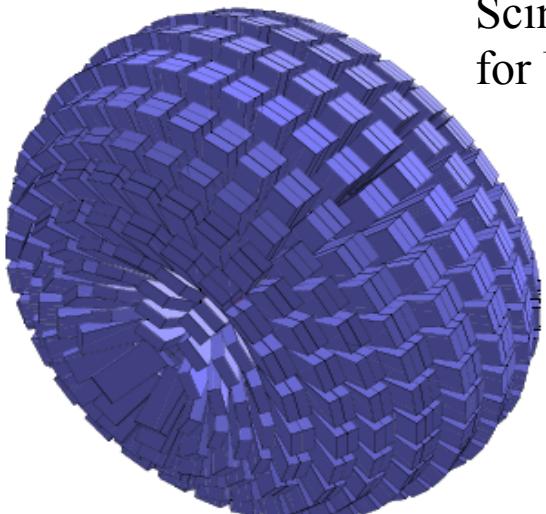


# Next Generation Gamma-Detector System SHOGUN

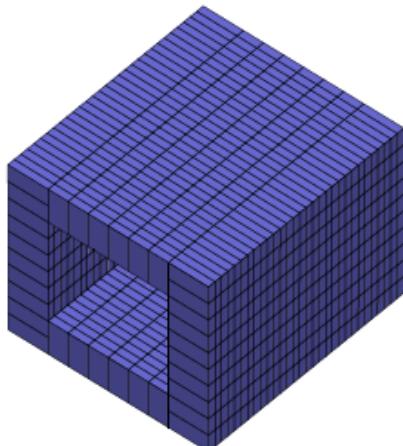
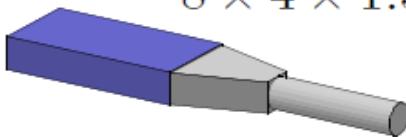
Scintilator based High resolution Gamma-ray spectrometer

for Unstable Nuclei

Doornenbal et al.



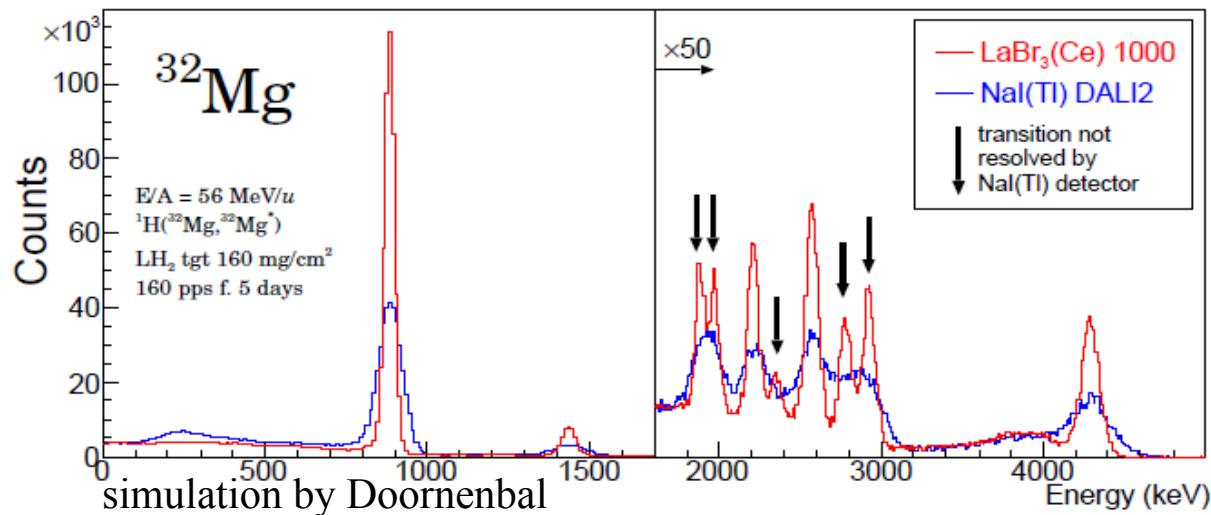
$8 \times 4 \times 1.5 \text{ cm}^3$



fast beam setup ( $v = 0.6c$ )			
	$\frac{\Delta E}{E}$ (%)	$\epsilon_\gamma$ (%)	$\epsilon_{\gamma\gamma}$ (%)
Nal(Tl) DALI2	10.0	23.5	5.5
RISING	1.9	2.8	0.08
LaBr <sub>3</sub> (Ce) 1000	<b>3.2</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>17.6</b>

slow/stopped beam setup			
	$\frac{\Delta E}{E}$ (%)	$\epsilon_\gamma$ (%)	$\epsilon_{\gamma\gamma}$ (%)
RISING	0.2	15.0	2.25
LaBr <sub>3</sub> (Ce) 1000	2.4	<b>56.0</b>	<b>31.3</b>



# Perspectives of gamma-spectroscopy for next 5 years

## In-beam gamma

Fast beams

Dali2 (RIKEN)

Grape (CNS)

2014-

+MINOS

201X

SHOGUN

## E-degraded

## Decay spectroscopy

4clovers

EURICA

2012-13

2014-

Clover-based ball  
USA/RCNP/Tohoku U...

Pn with He-3

Year

## Achieved beam intensities

- pol-d(250 MeV/u): 120 pnA : May2009
- $^4\text{He}$ (320 MeV/u): 1000 pnA : Oct2009
- $^{14}\text{N}$ (250 MeV/u): 80 pnA : May2009
- $^{18}\text{O}$ ( MeV/u): 500 pnA : Jun2010
- $^{48}\text{Ca}$ (345 MeV/u): 230 pnA : Jun2010
- $^{70}\text{Zn}$ (345 MeV/u): 80 pnA : July 2012
- $^{86}\text{Kr}$ (345 MeV/u): 30 pnA(<1min) : Nov2007
- $^{124}\text{Xe}$ (345 MeV/u): 22 pnA: June 2012
- $^{238}\text{U}$ (345 MeV/u): 0.8 pnA(short time) : Dec2009

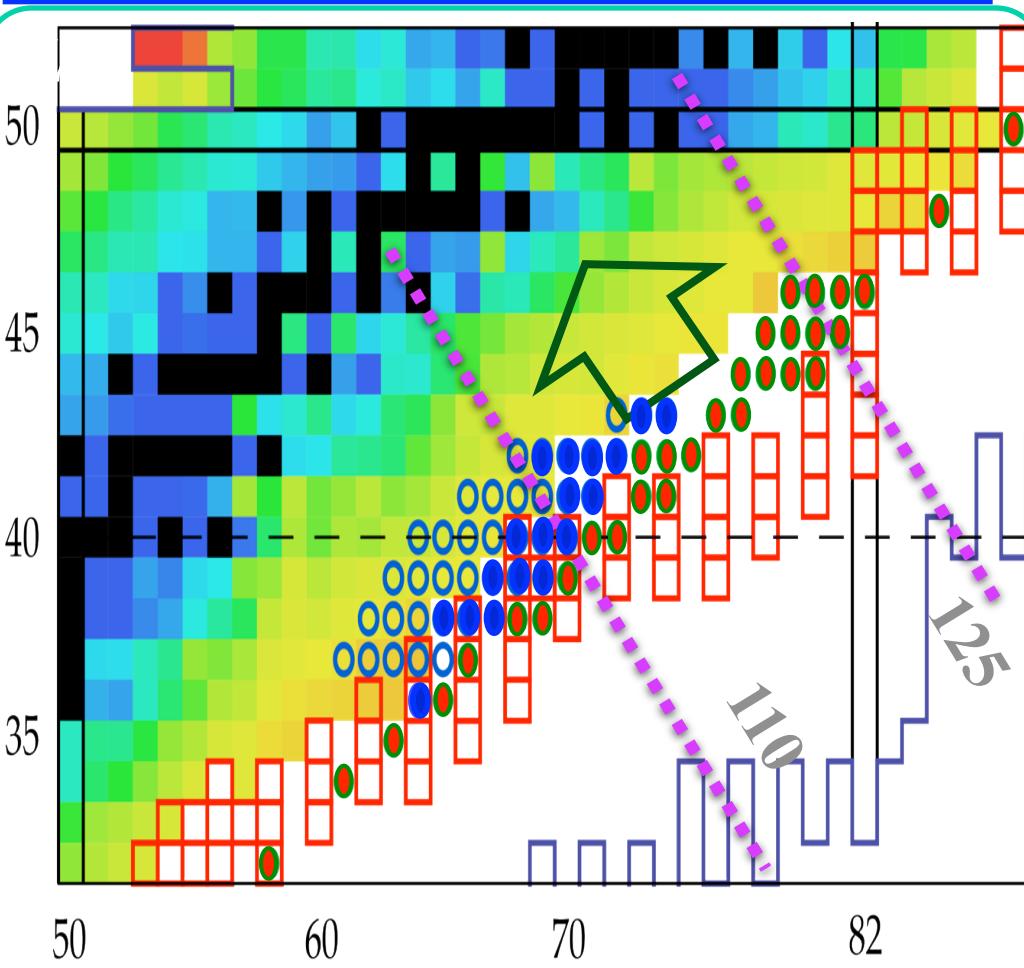
$^{238}\text{U}$ (345 MeV/u): >5 pnA    Oct–Nov in 2012

# Half-Lives of Very Neutron-Rich Nuclei (Kr,Rb,Sr,Y,Zr,Nb,Mo,Tc) around 2<sup>nd</sup> R-Process Peak

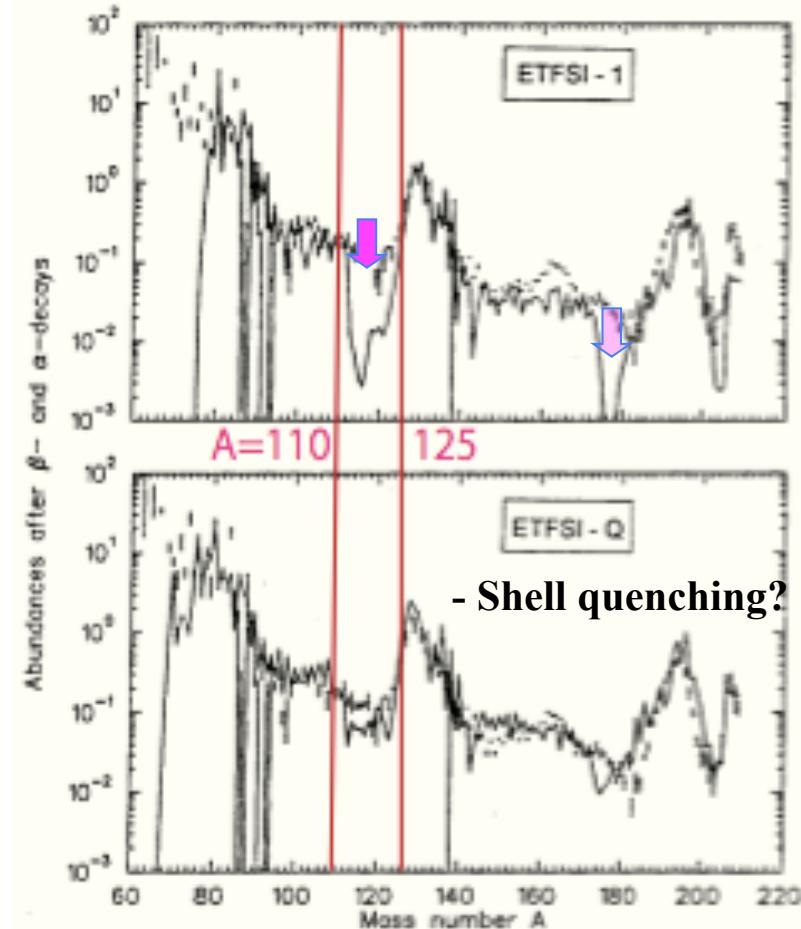
S. Nishimura et al.

T.Ohnishi, JPSJ 79 (2010).. 45 new isotopes

New half-lives (18 nuclei) are measured !



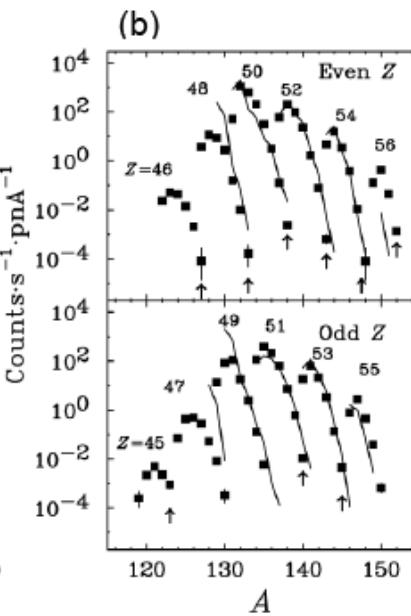
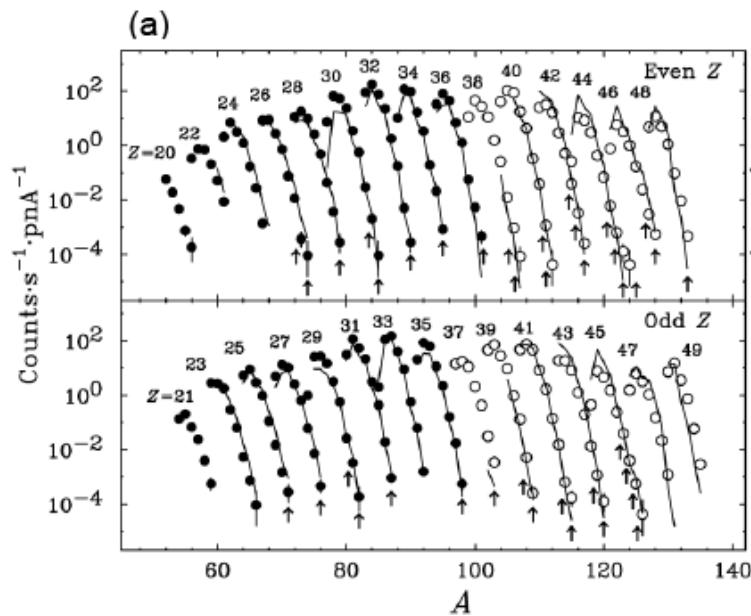
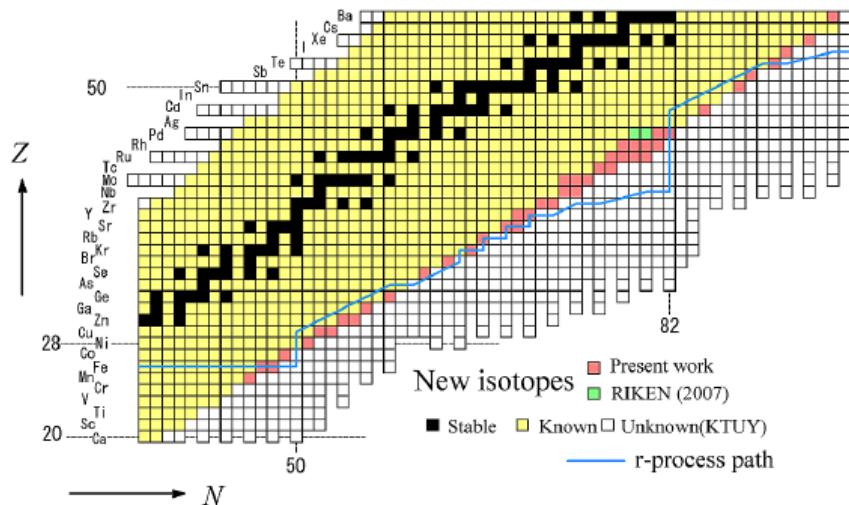
B.Pfeiffer et al. Z. Phys. A357 (1997)



# Programs at the RIBF since 2007

2007	May	345A MeV U-238	Search for new isotopes	BigRIPS
2008	Nov.	345A MeV U-238	Search for new isotopes/isomers	BigRIPS
	Dec.	345A MeV Ca-48	Spectroscopy at N~20	BigRIPS/ZDS
20days	April	250A MeV pol.-d	3NF in d+p elastic	BigDpol
	May	250A MeV N-14	SHARAQ Commissioning	SHARAQ
	Oct	320A MeV He-4	(t,3He) IVSMR	SHARAQ
	Nov	345A MeV U-238	Decay Spectroscopy	ZDS
	Dec	345A MeV Ca-48	total cs test for in-beam gamma	BigRIPS ZDS
70days	May	345A MeV Ca-48	Missing mass spectroscopy Two-step Spin-Aligned RI beams	ZDS BigRIPS
	June	345A MeV O-18	(p,2p)	Kappa Spec.
	Oct.	250A MeV N-14	Charge exchange	SHARAQ
		250A MeV d	(d, <sup>3</sup> He) deeply-bound pionic states	BigRIPS
	Nov.-	345A MeV Ca-48	in-beam gamma, total cs.	BigRIPS/ZDS
20days	Dec.		Inclusive Coulomb breakup Decay-spectroscopy	
	June	250A MeV O-18	(p,n) in inverse reaction	SHARAQ
	Oct	345A MeV U0238	Search for new isotopes	BigRIPS
	Nov.		In-beam gamma Spectroscopy	BigRIPS/ZDS

# Identification of 45 New Neutron-Rich Isotopes Produced by In-Flight Fission of a $^{238}\text{U}$ Beam at 345 MeV/nucleon



T. Ohnishi, et al., JPSJ 79, 073201 (2010).

Nov., 2008

**Averaged beam intensity  $\sim 0.2$  pA  
Maximum intensity 0.4 pA**

Mn ( $Z=25$ ) to Ba ( $Z=56$ )

Covered by three Brho settings

Be and Pb targets

Total dose  $1-2 \times 10^{14}$  for each Brho setting

Yield rates reasonably reproduced by LISE++

# Low-lying Excited States in $^{24}\text{O}$ via (p,p')

## - The First Missing Mass Spectroscopy at RIBF -

Spokespersons : Valerie Lapoux and Hideaki Otsu

The state-of-art detector MUST2 from France  
coupled with BigRIPS/ZDS setup

May, 2010

GOAL

Characteristics of the N=16 new magic number ?  
... in O isotopes  
Structure of a drip-line nucleus,  
possible neutron-skin or halo

EXCITATION ENERGY SPECTRUM  
FOR  $^{24}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{24}\text{O}(\text{p},\text{p}')^{24}\text{O}^*$

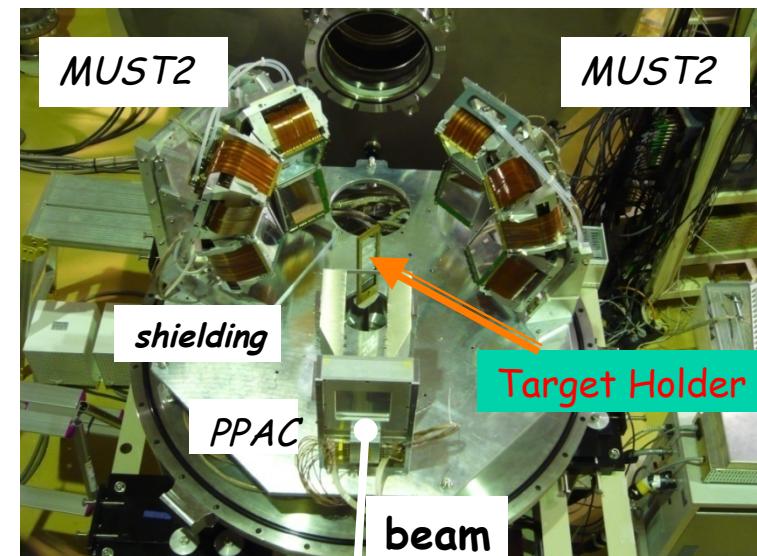
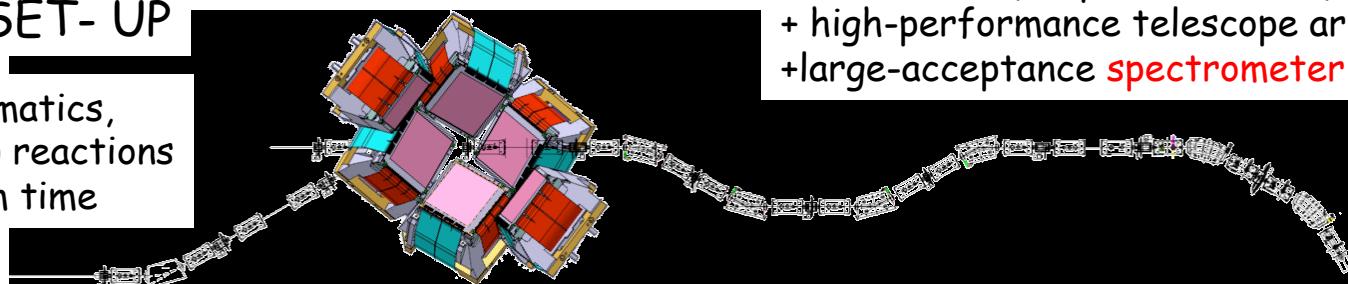
$^{24}\text{O} E(2+) > S_n = 3.7 \text{ MeV}$   
+ states above  $S_{2n} = 6.35 \text{ MeV}$  ?

TOOLS

Particle spectroscopy of  
UNBOUND states

SET- UP

Kinematics,  
(p,p') reactions  
Beam time



RIBF beam (unique intensities)  
+ high-performance telescope array  
+large-acceptance spectrometer