

D. Beaumel, D. Mengoni

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Dear D. Beaumel, D. Mengoni,

I am writing on behalf of the GANIL Program Advisory Committee following its meeting on April 2015. Thank you for submitting your **Letter of Intent**, entitled "**Reaction studies using the MUGAST+AGATA setup at VAMOS**". This submission was discussed by the PAC with reference to an agreed list of criteria, which can be summarized briefly as (i) quality of expected scientific results, (ii) feasibility and (iii) capability and readiness to perform the experiment.

The following comments reflect the deliberations on this proposal and the recommendations of the PAC. They have been composed from points raised in the meeting, with the assistance of the assigned referees of the Committee. It is hoped that they will provide you with some useful feedback from the discussions:

The PAC found the proposition of combining MUGAST+AGATA with VAMOS compelling, and it was clear that much progress had already been made in realising this ambition, with significant development of the instrumentation. The aim to deliver a campaign around transfer reactions (including stripping) was well received as it was believed that this should be a core component of the future scientific programme of GANIL, building on the rich heritage of the programme that the present collaboration has led. The PAC is therefore supportive of this development and it would seem that the best course of action is to present this proposition to the GANIL Scientific Council as directed by the GANIL Director.

Yours sincerely,

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