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Absolute measurement of the $^{7}Be(p,\gamma)^{8}B$ cross section with the recoil separator ERNA

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Why ⁷Be(p,γ)⁸B?



Large uncertainty on the predicted solar neutrino flux.

Discrepancy between existing data limits the precision of their extrapolation at astrophysical energy.

Windowless gas target

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Density profile of the gas target as seen in the yield of the 478 keV γ -ray line from the 7Li(p, p)7Li



Target density $n = 7.22 \pm 0.15 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ at/cm}^2$ D. Schürmann et al., Eur. Phys. J. A (2013) **49**: 80

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Energy loss measurements



⁷Be beam



The number of incident projectiles, including lithium contamination, is monitored on line through elastic scattering.

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European Recoil mass separator for Nuclear Astrophysics (ERNA)



800 keV emittance

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Kinematics and straggling produce 8 mrad recoils emittance and $\Delta E \approx 80$ keV.

The ⁸B can be product in different part along the gas target.

A tuning with full acceptance in all condition is mandatory.

800 keV acceptance



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First results



Conclusion

- A very intense ⁷Be beam, up to 3x10⁹ pps, is produced and characterized at CIRCE laboratory.
- The characterization of the extended gas target and the tunings of the separator has been completed at 800 keV and 600 keV and the analysis at 350 keV are in progress ;
- The preliminary measurements of absolute cross section, of the ⁷Be(p,γ)⁸B reaction above the 629 keV resonance are performed;
- Other measurements have been performed covering the resonance and the data analysis is ongoing;
- More measurements are planned in the next year at low energy (350 400 keV), according the availability of ⁷Be;



Thanks