

An experiment for the measurement of the nuclear fragmentation for Particle Therapy



protons, light/mediium ions (⁴He, ¹²C, ¹⁶O,...)

the development of **Particle Therapy** still requires fundamental contributions from Nuclear Physics:

- Physics modelling
- Exploitation of nuclear processes for Range and Dose Monitoring
- Nuclear Fragmentation studies

Different Z -> Different Radiobiological Effectiveness

More complex Planning

So far the attention was devoted to projectile fragmentation for ion therapy

Protons, at clinical practice, are approximated as ~photons, 10% more effective, although many experiments show that this in not true!! Why?

Relative Biological Effectivness (RBE) of Protons.



Is there a contribution due to nuclear physics? Where?

Target Fragmentation



Mechanim in action in Boron Neutron Capture Therapy



Target fragmentation & PT: where is an issue?

Target fragmentation in proton therapy: gives contribution also outside the tumor region!



About 10% of biological effect in the entrance channel due to secondary fragments (Grun 2013)

Largest contributions of recoil fragments expected from He, C, Be, O, N In particular on Normal Tissue Complication Probability See also : - Paganetti 2002 PMB - Grassberger 2011 PMB



p scattering on Brain tissue @200 MeV

"Heavy" (A≥4) fragment emission energy and angle largely unknown. Very low energy-short range fragments.

MC (FLUKA) prediction of production of heavy fragments for 200 MeV p on "BRAIN": production of He & C





Inverse kinematic strategy

Target fragments travel few μm in the target-> difficult to directly detect them, even for very thin target (10 μm ?)

let's shoot a β =0.6 patient (C,O,N nuclei) on a proton at rest and measure how it fragments!!

Then if we measure the X-section, provided that we apply an inverse velocity transformation, the result should be the same.

- Use (as patient) beams N, O, C ions with β = 0.6 \rightarrow Ekin=200 A MeV.
- The heavy fragment (all but p,d,t,He) has ~200 MeV/ nucleon kinetic energy and are forward peaked

H target difficult!!

A possible solution is to use twin targets. The fragmentation cross section can be obtained by subtraction.





Target fragmentation & Radiobiology desiderata

To implement sound radiobiological models the requirements is to improve the knowledge of the p-> patient (p-> H,C,O) interaction, i.e. fragment production, at 100-200 MeV.

- Measure the heavy fragment (Z>2) production cross section with maximum uncertainty of 5%
- Measure the fragment energy spectrum (i.e. ds/dE) with an energy resolution of the order of 1 MeV/u
- Charge ID at the level of 2-3%
- Isotopic ID at the level of 5%
- Not needed accurate angular measurement
- Study light ions production at large angle



Guide lines for the detector

- Main focus on Z>2 fragment yields & emission energy. Precise angle measurement are also needed to apply correct inverse boost transformation
- The fragment charge ID is the basis of the measurement.
- The fragment mass ID is a challenge and can be performed after a Z ID. An eventual wrong A assignment has an effect on the range evaluation-> less severe at high A
- Highly reliable PID achieved using E_{kin}, momentum and TOF measurement of fragment
- The fragmentation contribution of the detector material MUST be kept as low as possible and eventually subtracted
- Detector portability to different beams is an absolute need: size of the detector should be in the 2 meters range



Particle ID and analysis strategy

The measurement priority is on Z but we need to resolve A in order to have a correct evaluation of fragment range in the patient.

For each fragment we need Z, A and the 4-momentum to reconstruct the fragment energy in the patient frame

- E_{kin} is measured by a calorimeter
- p vector is measured by tracking in magnetic field
- Z ID achieved by means of $\Delta E E_{kin}$ measurement
- A can be identified by p,E or p,β combinations
- Possibility of multivariate analysis on fragment ID and momentum is the figure of merit of the experiment

Indipendent multiple measurements of E and p are mandatory



Combines magnetic, TOF and calorimetric measurements









(MIMOSA can live in Tesla B field) with 20 mm pitch and 50 mm thickness



Halbach geometry for Magnet

Halback geometry provides uniform transverse magnetic field in a cylindrical geometry: B field proportional to ln(R_{out}/R_{in})



B=0.8T Thick=8cm C:\POISSON7.17\SPTPHDIP\SPTPHDIPHAI

Halbach 12 blocks - Thickness 5.9 cm LPM 14 cm

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Halbach geometry

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Halback geo transverse r cylindrical g proportiona









- Projectile Fragmentation in direct kinematics:
- existing C-C, O-C measurements are not yet sufficient
 improvement of treatment planning in ion therapy
- investigation of some other specific process useful for particle therapy: production of some specific β+ emitter species in view of range monitoring applications
- Cross sections useful for Radioprotection in Space

FOOT will have a counterpart in CSN5 for the connected radiobiological activities (mostly modelling): MoVe IT (call CSN5): Modeling and Verification for Ion beam Treatment planning



Where can we lay down the FOOT?

The wish-list for an experimental facility:

- C,O (N) beams in the 100-350 MeV/u available
- Possibility to mount and calibrate the experimental setup before data taking for "long" time (1-2 week?)
- Beam time availability in the week time range -> dedicated experimental hall
- Several data taking period possible, with safe time schedule to be known in advance

CNAO Experimental
room is our choice.
Explicit interest and
partecipation in the
FOOT project. Exp. Hall
times?

- HIT: possible, experimental room a bit small
- Trento and LNS are fundamental for calibration purpose



The "patient on proton" approach allows for a robust measurement program:

- a) Target fragmentation of p on O,C @100-200 MeV/u
- b) Projectile fragmentation of O on C @200-400 MeV/u
- c) Projectile fragmentation of C on C @200-350 MeV/u
- d) Evaluation of some β⁺ emitters production (for instance ⁸B production) from C,O on C @200-400 MeV/u
- e) Fragmentation measurement of several beam on (C2H4)_n of interest for radioprotection in space

In a realistic (moderately optimistic) schedule at least the a),b) measurements should starts by late 2019



FOOT Collaboration

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Profilo di spesa 2017-2020

	FTE		missioni	consumo	inventario	costr app	Totale	2017
Bologna	1,2		6	4	15		25	
Milano	2,9		7	5			12	
Napoli	3,0		15	5	21		41	
LNF	1,5		10	15	F	F.0	00	
Perugia	1,3		10	15	5	50	80	
Pisa	4,7		7	15			22	
Roma1	3, 8		7	8			15	
Roma2	0,7		3				3	
TIFPA	1,8		5	10			15	
Torino	3,0		7	40			47	
FOOT	24,0		67	102	41	50	260	2017
			60	55	50	290	410	2018
			100	55	40	90	210	2019
			55	20	0	0	20	2020
Missioni : 282								
Apparato :	793		282	232	131	430	1075	2017-2020



FOOT@Mi: anagrafica & servizi 2017

	Posizione	Percentuale (%)
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Coinvolgimento Milano:

- simulazionii MC
- software generale
- Lavoro congiunto con Rm1 su sviluppo parti detector

(inclusi Test Beams)

Richieste finanziarie:

Consumo 5 kEuro, Missioni 7 kEuro

Richieste servizi:

frazione del servizio elettronica

(S. Brambilla 10%)

Thanks.....