



FOOT FragmentatiOn Of Target

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

FOOT in pills

Sections/Labs: Bologna, Frascati, Milano, Napoli, Perugia, (Pavia), Pisa, Roma1, Roma2, Torino, Trento

People: ~50 researcher, ~24 FTE DATA taking foreseen @ CNAO, TIFPA, LNS, BTF





Experiment with translational approach: focus on nuclear physics, physics applied to medicine and radioprotection in space

Target (patient) fragmentation & PT

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



Since shooting a proton with a given β (for instance Ekin=200 MeV $\rightarrow \beta$ =0.6) on a patient (i.e. at 98% a H,C,O nucleus) at rest gives little detection opportunity... let's shoot a β =0.6 patient (i.e. O,C beam) on a proton at rest and measure how it fragments..

A possible procedure would be:

- Use as beams the ions that are the constituents of the patient (mainly ¹⁶O, ¹²C) with Ekin/nucl in the 100-200 MeV/A.
- Use twin targets made of C and polyethylene (C₂H₄)_n and obtain the H target result from difference
- Apply the reverse boost with the well known β of the beam CAVEAT!: The fragment direction must be well measured in the Lab frame to obtain the correct energy in the Patient frame



Combines magnetic, TOF and calorimetric measurements





FOOT Calorimeter

- No TOF, high density and good energy resolution -> BGO
- TOF asks for 1.2 m lever arm -> R
 = 20 cm with 10^o angular aperture of the fragments
- A 2x2 cm2 granularity is due to the minimum track separation (1deg)
- Thickness must contain the heavier fragment @ 200 MeV/u -> 7 cm
- 2x2x7 cm³ BGO units -> ~ 300 channels

Read-out: not critical due to the high light yield, low rate (PMT, APD, SiPM)



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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	5	50	80	
Perugia	1,3							
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	



Richieste Servizi 2017

- I partecipanti
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- Costruzione di un prototipo di 3x3 cristalli di BGO
- Test (CNAO?, LNS?)
- 4 mesi tecnologo/tecnico meccanico
- 2 mesi tecnologo elettronico (readout: PM? SiPM?)