

### STATUS OF THE TEXAS A&M RADIOACTIVE BEAM PROJECT D. P. May, G. Tabacaru, J. Ärje, G. J. Kim, & B. T. Roeder



#### **FACILITY CAPABILITY and ACTIVITIES**



K150 CYCLOTRON + ECR + H

# K500 ECR1 ion source – useful for producing analogs to RIBs

#### Looking toward extraction



Radial port

And we are constructing an ultra high-temp oven, a copy of the one on the K150 ECR2. So in addition to gases we can choose species from:

#### A low-temp oven



#### A hi-temp oven



#### Or a sputter fixture



Focus on the lightion guide (LIG) and the charge-breeding electron-cyclotronresonance ion source (CB-ECRIS).

A spectrometer for heavy-ion guide has not been chosen.



# Steps for Radioactive Beams from LIG

- Intense proton beams from the K150.
- •High production of radioactive 1+ beams from LIG.
- •Efficient boosting to high-charge states.
- •Tuning of the K500 and beam lines for RIBs.

# K150 proton beams



With LN<sub>2</sub> intensity of 6 AMeV <sup>84</sup>Kr<sup>23+</sup> beam increased by about a factor of 30, but cryopanel still not connected to coolant source – LHe refrigerator being refurbished.

#### LIGHT-ION GUIDE – Gabriel Tabacaru and Juha Ärje



### **SPIG + CB-ECRIS Line, Accel-Decel – first trials**



RF-only Sextupole Guide following JYFL design Above shielding chargebred beam of Ga-64 12+ at 23 pps

Smaller flux of Rn-220 29+ (from thorium)





- <sup>27</sup>Al foil (1/4 mil thick), thin <sup>12</sup>C (100 ug/cm<sup>2</sup>) in target chamber
- MARS arm at 0° (With arm at 0°, velocity filter~constant, only tune rigidity).
- $\Delta$ E-E silicon telescope ( 64  $\mu$ m + 500  $\mu$ m ) for particle ID, measurement

#### TUNING THE K500 AND ITS BEAM-LINE FOR RIBS – George Kim and Brian Roeder

#### First use charge-bred rubidium beam



### Effort to detect accelerated RIB

- MARS setup
- Day One Calibration with <sup>63</sup>Cu at 14 MeV/u from ECR1.
  - Tuning
  - Calibration of MARS target detector
- Day Two Measurement of <sup>16</sup>O<sup>3+</sup>, <sup>64</sup>Ga<sup>12+</sup> charge states from ECR3 @ 14 MeV/u
  - Tuning
  - <sup>16</sup>O measurements
  - Shifting the K500 frequency
  - <sup>64</sup>Zn, <sup>64</sup>Ga measurements

# MARS settings with <sup>64</sup>Zn<sup>29+</sup>, <sup>64</sup>Ga<sup>29+</sup>



04-Oct-2016 07:56:56

•Saw a peak around 890 MeV consistent with <sup>64</sup>Zn.

•<sup>64</sup>Zn peak was still present at about the same rate with SPIG or proton beam off.

•High rate of <sup>48</sup>Ti<sup>22+</sup> present. Why? (Al alloy 7075)

•No indication of <sup>64</sup>Ga at +9 kHz shift of K500 frequency.

### With small K500 frequency shift



•For 29+, observed a "shoulder" on the Zinc peak. Saw about ~100 counts above <sup>64</sup>Zn background "tail".

•Would be consistent with a <sup>64</sup>Ga observation.

•Could not separate species better with this detector setup. Indication not 100% clear.

•Need more Ga intensity!

### Test of direct SPIG injection into CB-ECRIS – Juha Ärje

#### Alkali ion source (HeatWave) and 0.4 meter SPIG





## **SPIG condition after running**



### **2.5 Meter SPIG**

More tolerant of alignment error and also allows for multiple pumps and apertures to limit helium flow into CBECRIS



# Next

•Design and detail 2.5 meter SPIG.

•In the meantime, investigate further the accel-decel option for 1+ CB-ECRIS injection.

CB-ECRIS Injection scheme from Richard Vondrasek – already tested as ion source.



If this is unsuccessful, the 2.5 m SPIG will definitely be constructed