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NUMEN: Status and perspectives

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The neutrinoless double beta decay lifetime:





The nuclear matrix elements evaluation up to date are based on:

Calculations: QRPA, Interacting Boson Model, Large scale shell model...

Measurements: early measurements not conclusive for $0\nu\beta\beta$

- π -induced DCE reaction
- Heavy-ion induced DCE reaction
- Single charge exchange

 $M^{(0\nu)} = M^{(0\nu)}_{GT} - \left(\frac{g_V}{2\pi}\right)^2 M^{(0\nu)}_F + M^{(0\nu)}_T$ IBM-2ORPA-Tü ORPA-IV ORPA-def Th $M^{(0 \nu)}$ EDF PHFB 30 40 60 80 100 120 140 Neutron number

A new experimental approach to extract the NMEs for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay is based on the study of the <u>heavy-ion double charge exchange reaction</u> using large-acceptance high-resolution spectrometer.



The NUMEN project

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A growing *in-kind* contribution

- Manpower: post-doc and fellowships on external funding;
- Tools and devices for the development of detector prototypes.

NUMEN: In-kind maturato

In-kind su attrezzature

Insitution	In-kind	Cost
University of Akdeniz	3 LaBr3(Ce) 2x2 inches	~ 30 k€
UNAM	Thermal camera + mechanics for target stress tests	10 k€
UNAM	TeBe detector chamber	11 k€
UNICT	Electronic development	10.5K€
Total		625k€

TOTAL in kind equipments 2018 ~ 62.5 k€

In-kind su manpower

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manpower 2018 ~ 164 k€

TOTAL NURE ERC 2018 **~ 245 k€**



TOTAL 471.5 K€

Collaborator name	Gained Fellow	Duration	Cost of the collaborator*	
Dr. Vinicius Bocaline Zagatto	Post-Doctoral Fellowship for Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico (CNPq). Program: "Ciencia Sem Fronteira". Modality: Pos-doutorado no Exterior Process number: 205864/2014-7	Apr 2015 - Apr 2016	~ 40 k€	
J.R.B. Oliveira, N.H. Medina, M. Moralles, L.R. Gasques	SPRINT Grant 01/2017	Feb. 2018-Feb. 2020	~ 20 k€	
Drs. Aylin Hacisalihoglu	Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) 2214/A International Doctoral Research Fellowship Programme	Nov 2016 – Nov 2017 + rinnovo Nov. 2017-May 2018	~ 30 k€ + 15 k€	
Dr. Aydin Yildirim	Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) International Doctoral Research Fellowship Programme	Sept.2018 – Aug.2019	~ 30 k€	
Dr. Oktay Selcuk	Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) International Doctoral Research Fellowship Programme	~ 30 k€		
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Dr. Sinan Hazar	ERASMUS+: Learning Agreement Student Mobility for Traineeships	Jun 2018 - Aug 2018	~ 3 k€	
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Prof. F. Delaunay	LPC Caen University 5 months sabbatical supported for activity at INFN -To	Oct 2017- Mar 2018	~ 30 k€	
Prof. F. Delaunay	Politecnico di Torino 9 months Invited Professor (50% NUMEN)	Oct 2018- Jun 2019	~ 35 k€	
		Total fellowships	Total fellowship ∼ 192 k€ +	
		6 years + 10 months	Total academic	
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		14 months	Total mobility 20 k€	
			TOTAL in kindmanpower ~ 277 k€	

NUMEN: the project phases

- *Phase1: the experiment feasibility*
- ⁴⁰Ca(¹⁸O, ¹⁸Ne)⁴⁰Ar @ 270 MeV already done: the results demostrate the technique feasibility.
- *Phase2: toward "hot" cases optimizing experimental conditions and getting first result*
- Few experiments on selected isotopes candidate for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay (integrated harge of tens of mC)
- R&D on CS and MAGNEX, preserving the access to the present facility
- Theoretical model developments.
- Phase3: the facility upgrade
- Disassembling of the old set-up and re-assembling of the new ones will start (18-24 months)
- Tests of new detectors (Tandem @ LNS and other Laboratories)
- Phase4: the systematic experimental campaign

- Systematic experimental campaign with high beam intensities (some più; integrated charge of hundreds of mC up to C) on all the isotopes candidates for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Phase1		done								
Phase2				i	approved					
Phase3										
Phase4										

Tentative time table



Program at LNS

¹¹⁶Cd - ¹¹⁶Sn case

- Two experiments @ 15 AMeV
- ✓ ¹⁸O + ¹¹⁶Sn
- ✓ ²⁰Ne + ¹¹⁶Cd

¹³⁰Te - ¹³⁰Xe case

- One experiment @ 15 AMeV
- ✓ ²⁰Ne + ¹³⁰Te

⁷⁶Ge - ⁷⁶Se case

- ✓ One experiment @ 15 AMeV
- ✓ ²⁰Ne + ⁷⁶Ge





NUMEN: phase 2 experimental run 2018

Nov-Dec 2018: ¹⁸O + ⁷⁶Se @ 15 MeV/u (90 BTU)

 $\bullet 0^{\circ} \le \theta_{\rm lab} \le 9^{\circ}$

- DCE reaction ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O,¹⁸Ne)⁷⁶Ge
- CEX reaction ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O,¹⁸F)⁷⁶As
- 2p-transfer ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O,²⁰Ne)⁷⁴Ge
- 1p-transfer ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O,¹⁹F)⁷⁵As
- 1n-transfer ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O,¹⁷O)⁷⁷Se

• 2n-transfer ⁷⁶Se(¹⁸O, ¹⁶O)⁷⁸S

 $3^{\circ} \le \theta_{\text{lab}} \le 14^{\circ}$



• Elastic scattering

NUMEN NUMEN: ²⁰Ne + ¹¹⁶Cd double charge exchange



State (MeV)	Counts	Absolute coss section (nb)
g.s. (0+)	34	12 ± 2
$^{116}Sn_{1.293}(2^{+}) + {}^{20}O_{gs}(0^{+})$ $^{116}Sn_{gs}(0^{+}) + {}^{20}O_{1.673}(2^{+})$	67	24 ± 3

¹¹⁶Cd(²⁰Ne,²⁰O)¹¹⁶Sn



Analysis on the cross-section sensitivity

Cross section sensitivity better than 1 nb

NUMEN: ⁷⁶Ge(²⁰Ne,²⁰Ne)⁷⁶Ge Elastic scattering













Technical Design Report (TDR)

Upgrade of the LNS accelerator and beam lines

- CS accelerator current (from 100 W to 5-10 kW); from elecrostatic to extraction by stripping.
- beam transport line transmission efficiency to nearly 100%. The new beam transport line corresponds with the FRAgment Ion Separation line.



Beam dump for the MAGNEX hall

- Shielding and power up to 10 kW
- ✓ Borated concrete cube of 5x5x5 m³
- New entrance beam line.





Gas tracker based on ThGEM technology

- Very fast detector.
- High multiplication factor.
- Tracking properties equal or better resp the present wire-based tracker.





SiC stopping wall

- Very high radiation hardness.
- Energy resolution and timing properties comparable to silicon detector.
- High granularity.





Target assembly

- Pyrolitic graphyte substrate.
- Cryogenic cooling system.
- Gamma calorimiter
 - Large solid angle gamma-detector
 - Good energy resolution: LaBr or Lyso
- Front-end and read-out electronics
 - ASIC front-end based on VMM3 chip
 - Read-out FPGA based

Magnet upgrade

Magnetic rigidity from 1.8 to 2.4 Tm











Beam tuning is critical for 0° measurements!

A beam profile and its angular divergence have been obtained in two indipendent ways:

- At the target position, by means of shot of several scintillators along the beam line.
- At the focal plane position, by means of a higly attenuated beam, directly sent on the Focal Plane.





Thanks to the accelerator division



For future esperiments a **better timing** is required (2 ns).

During the last run the need of a better timing arose for two independent reasons.

- Gamma coincidence test, performed using EDEN detector show that the gamma coincidence peak is broad. In order to better distinguish gamma from the neutron background a narrower bunch is required.
- Charge identification can be performed by using the RF. This is able to solve some ambiguities that can be present in same case (when m/q is the same for two different combination of isotpes/charge-states)

For next experiments **buncher** and/or **chopper** will be required.

Tank you

for your attention!