

Coupling the RIB Facility EXOTIC to the γ -Ray Spectrometer AGATA

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RIB In-Flight Production at LNL

In-flight production of **light weakly-bound RIBs**, employing **two-body inverse kinematics reactions** with heavy projectiles impinging on **gas targets** (**p,d,³He**).

The **commissioning** of the facility was performed in 2004.

F. Farinon et al., NIM B 266, 4097 (2008)

A **substantial upgrade process** was subsequently held in 2012.

M. Mazzocco et al., NIM B 317, 223 (2013)

8 Radioactive Ion Beams have been delivered so far:

1. **¹⁷F** ($S_p = 600$ keV): **$p(^{17}\text{O},^{17}\text{F})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -3.54$ MeV;
2. **⁸B** ($S_p = 137.5$ keV): **$^3\text{He}(^6\text{Li},^8\text{B})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -1.97$ MeV;
3. **⁷Be** ($S_\alpha = 1.586$ MeV): **$p(^7\text{Li},^7\text{Be})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -1.64$ MeV;
4. **¹⁵O** ($S_p = 7.297$ MeV): **$p(^{15}\text{N},^{15}\text{O})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -3.54$ MeV;
5. **⁸Li** ($S_n = 2.033$ MeV): **$d(^7\text{Li},^8\text{Li})p$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -0.19$ MeV;
6. **¹⁰C** ($S_p = 4.007$ MeV): **$p(^{10}\text{B},^{10}\text{C})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -4.43$ MeV;
7. **¹¹C** ($S_p = 8.689$ MeV): **$p(^{11}\text{B},^{11}\text{C})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -2.76$ MeV;
8. **¹⁸Ne** ($S_p = 3.923$ MeV): **$^3\text{He}(^{16}\text{O},^{18}\text{Ne})n$** $Q_{\text{value}} = -3.19$ MeV;

Facility EXOTIC at LNL

Gas Target

1st Quadrupole Triplet

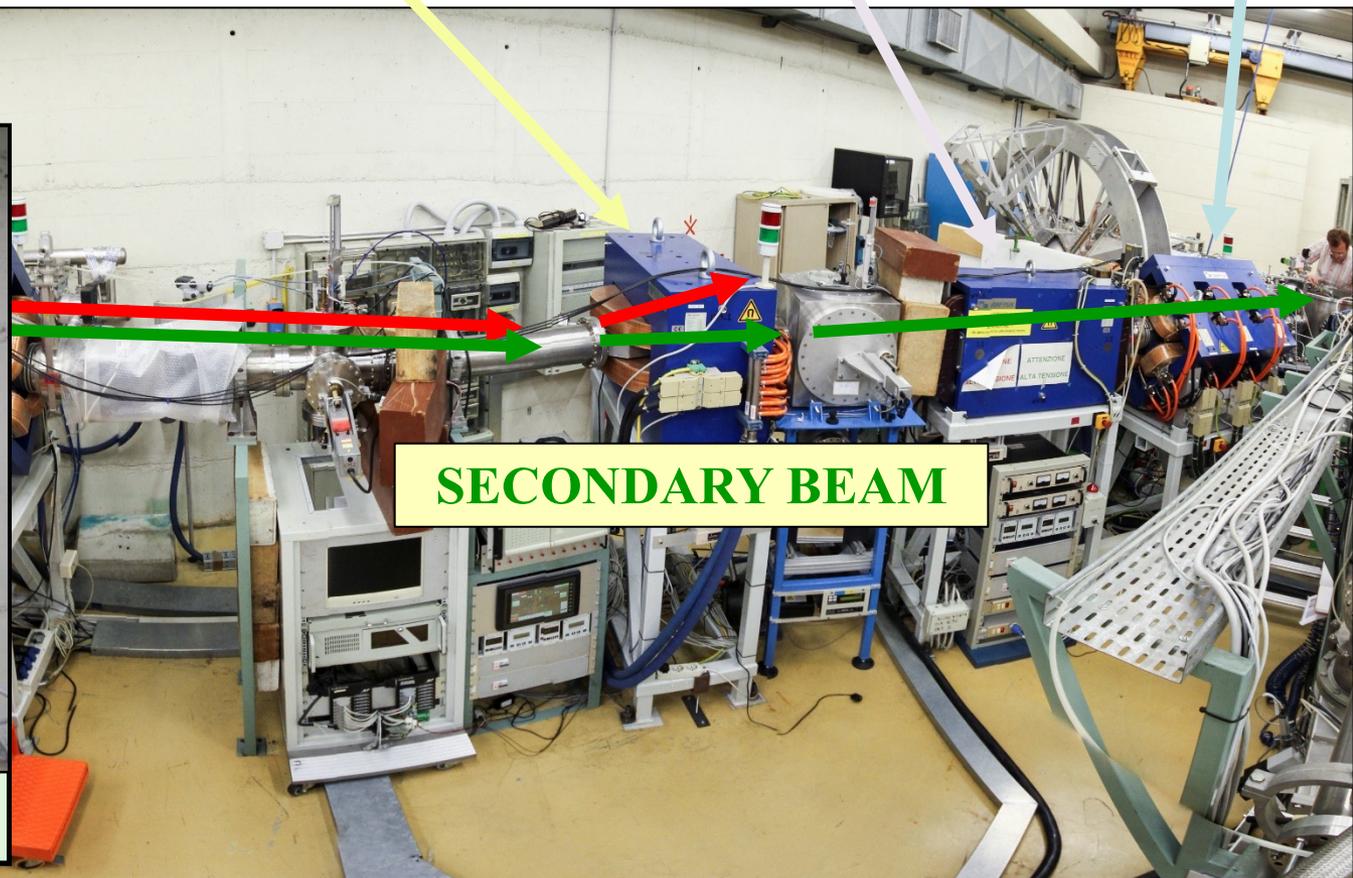
Wien Filter

30°-Dipole Magnet

2nd Quadrupole Triplet



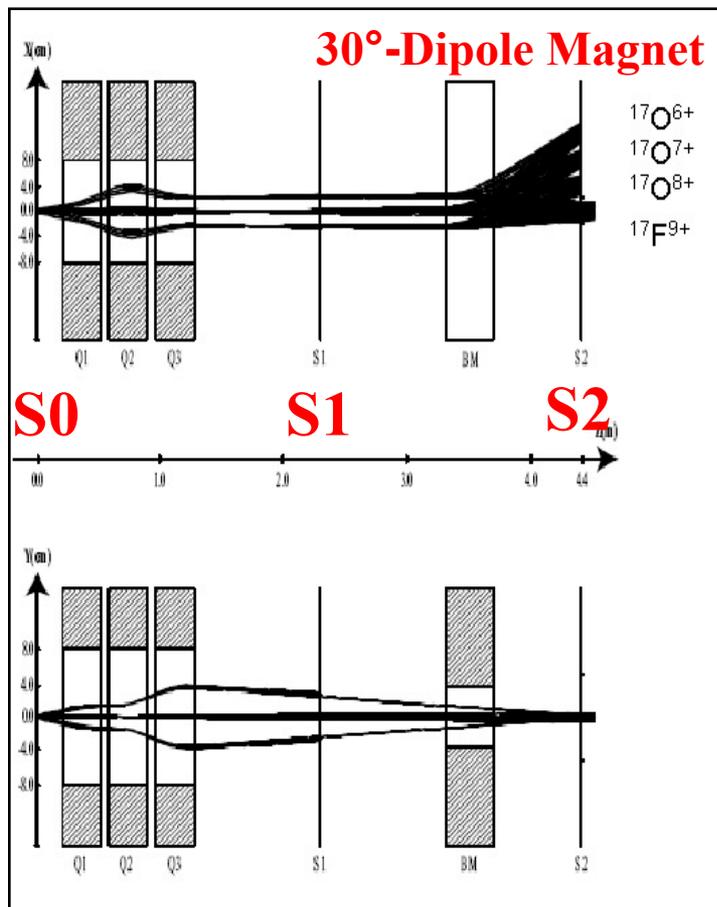
Cryogenic Gas Target



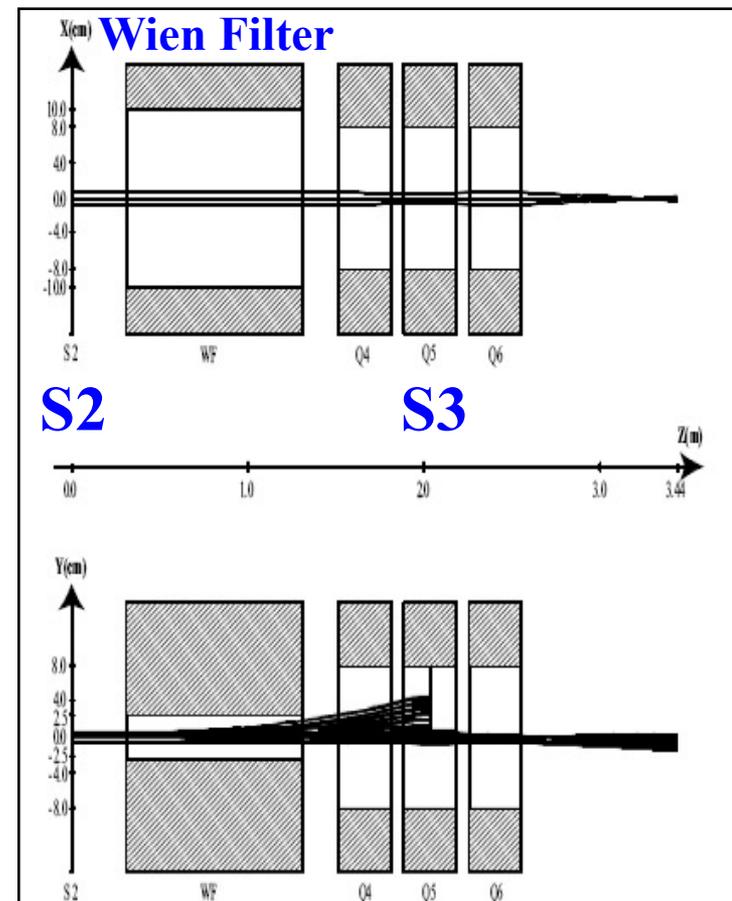
SECONDARY BEAM

Two-Stage RIB Selection

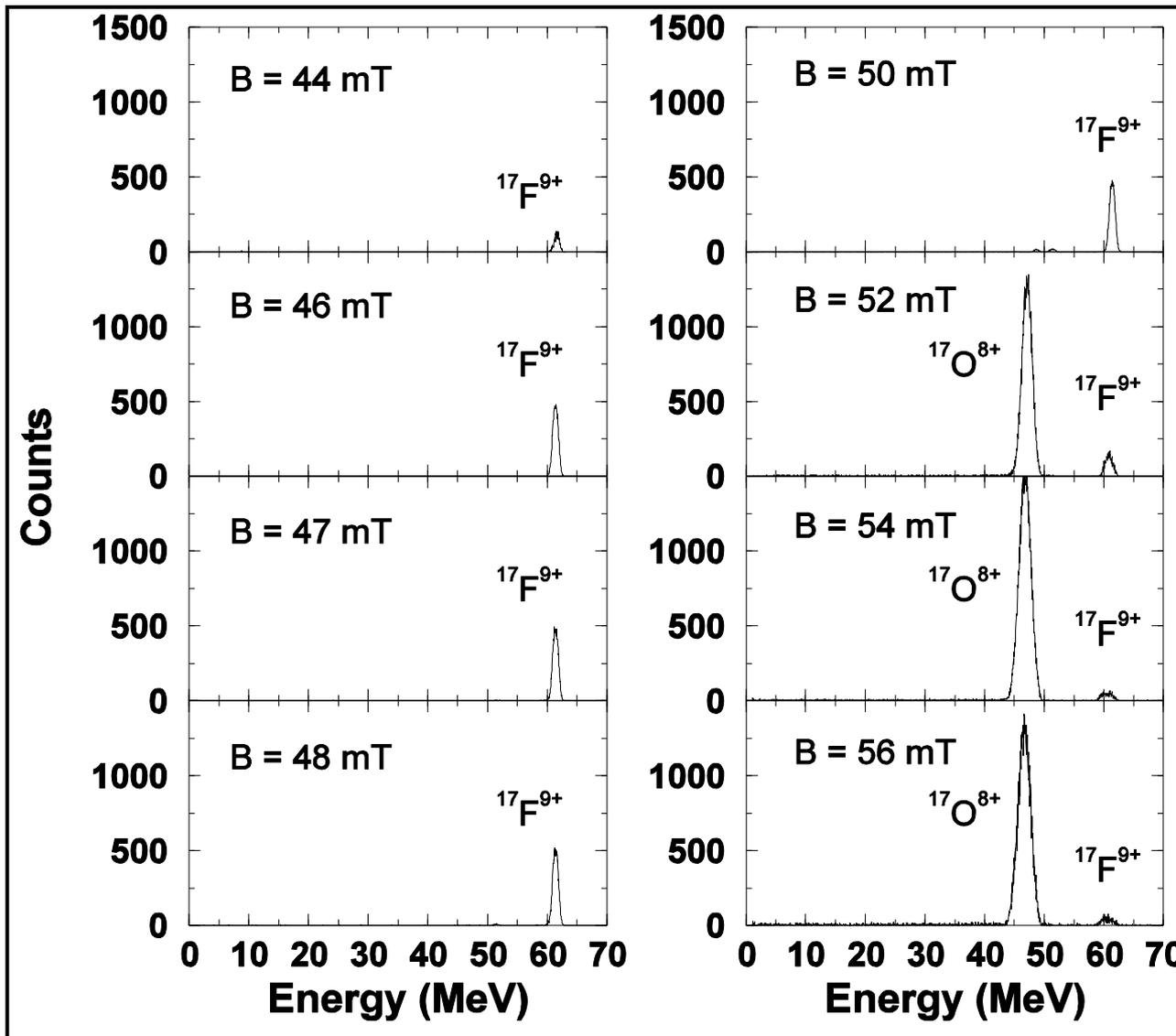
I. $B\rho$ selection



II. ν selection



Wien Filter Tuning

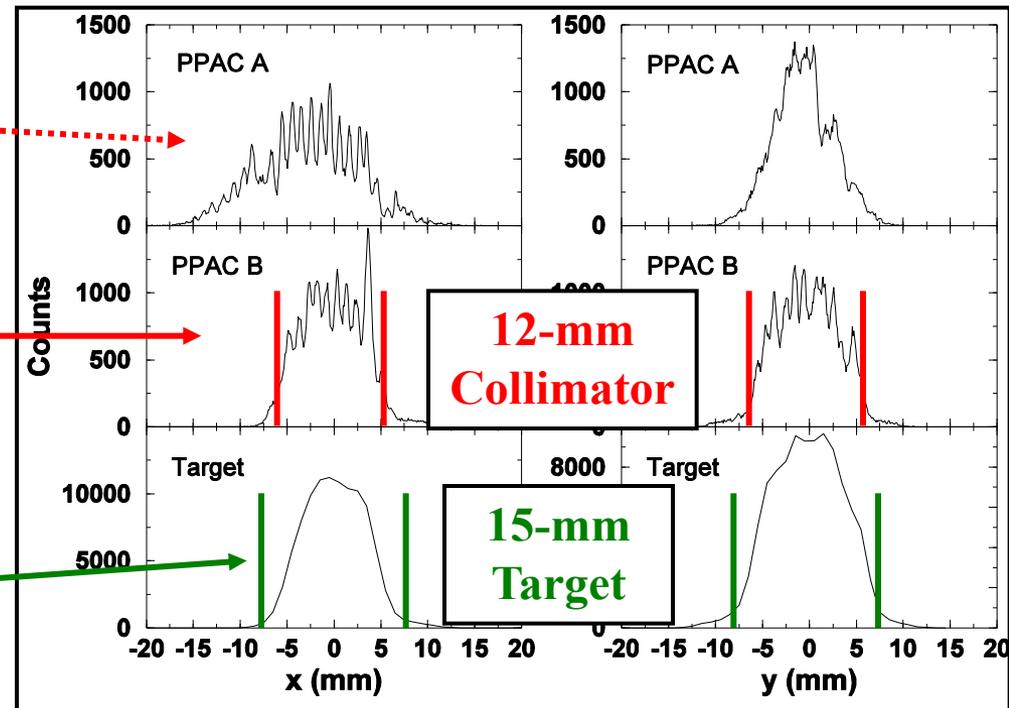
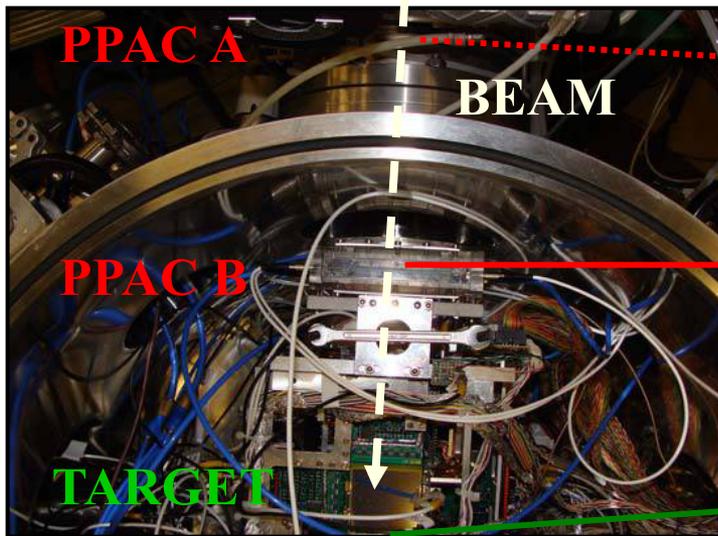
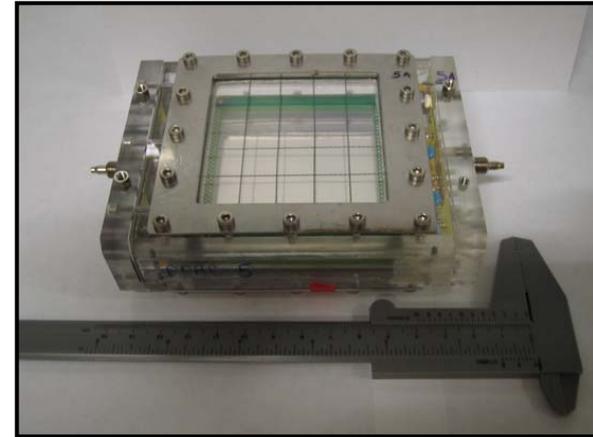


A careful tuning of the **magnetic field** of the **Wien Filter** helps **increasing** either the secondary beam **purity** or **intensity**.

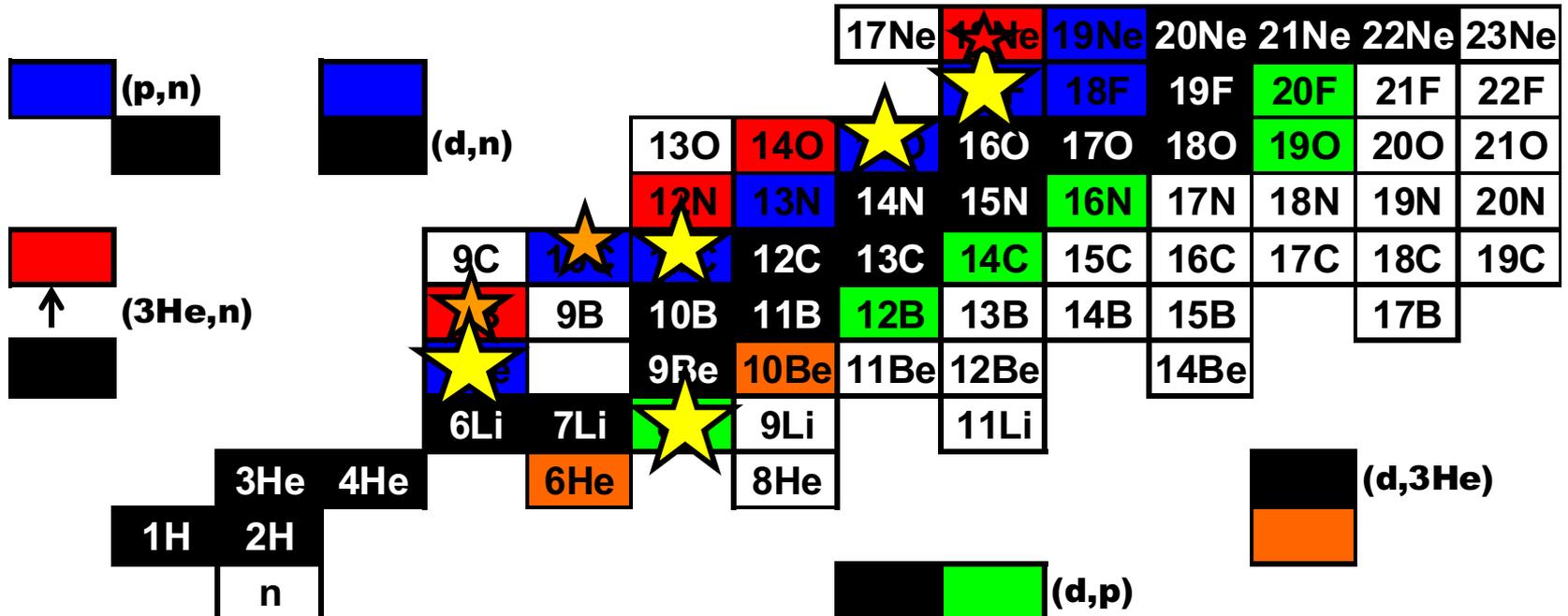
Spectra collected for a **Wien Filter electric field** of: ± 40 kV (**80%**).

Secondary Beam Tracking

The facility was equipped with two **Parallel Plate Avalanche Counters** (PPACs) located upstream the reaction target to perform an **event-by-event tracking** of the **secondary beam particles**.



Light RIBs at EXOTIC



	^{17}F	$E = 3-5 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 93-96 %	Intensity: 10^5 pps
	^8B	$E = 3-5 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 30-43 %	Intensity: $\sim 10^3 \text{ pps}$
	^7Be	$E = 2.5-6 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 99 %	Intensity: 10^6 pps
	^{15}O	$E = 1.3 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 97-98 %	Intensity: $4 \cdot 10^4 \text{ pps}$
	^8Li	$E = 2-2.5 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 99 %	Intensity: 10^5 pps
	^{10}C	$E = 4 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 99 %	Intensity: $5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ pps}$
	^{11}C	$E = 4 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 99 %	Intensity: $2 \cdot 10^5 \text{ pps}$
	^{18}Ne	$E = 1.3 \text{ MeV/u}$	Purity: 95 %	Intensity: $6 \cdot 10^3 \text{ pps (ext.)}$

Main Topics Investigated

Reaction Dynamics at Coulomb Barrier Energies

$^{17}\text{F} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ C. Signorini *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A 44, 63 (2010)

$^{17}\text{F} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ M. Mazzocco *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 82, 054604 (2010)

$^{17}\text{F} + ^1\text{H}$ N. Patronis *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 85, 024609 (2012)

$^8\text{B} + ^{28}\text{Si}$ A. Pakou *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 87, 014619 (2013)

$^7\text{Be} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ M. Mazzocco *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 92, 024615 (2015)

$^7\text{Be} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ M. Mazzocco *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 100, 024602 (2019)

$^7\text{Be} + ^{28}\text{Si}$ O. Sgouros *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 94, 044623 (2016), Phys. Rev. C 95, 054609 (2017)

$^8\text{Li} + ^{90}\text{Zr}$ A. Pakou *at al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A 51, 55 (2015), Eur. Phys. J. A 51, 90 (2015)

$^8\text{B} + ^{28}\text{Si}$ C. Parascandolo, D. Pierroutsakou *et al.*, (in preparation)

Resonant Scattering – α clustering

$^{15}\text{O} + ^4\text{He}$ D. Torresi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 96, 044317 (2017)

$^{11}\text{C} + ^4\text{He}$ D. Torresi, C. Wheldon, C. Parascandolo *et al.*, (in preparation)

Reactions of Astrophysical Interest via Trojan Horse Method

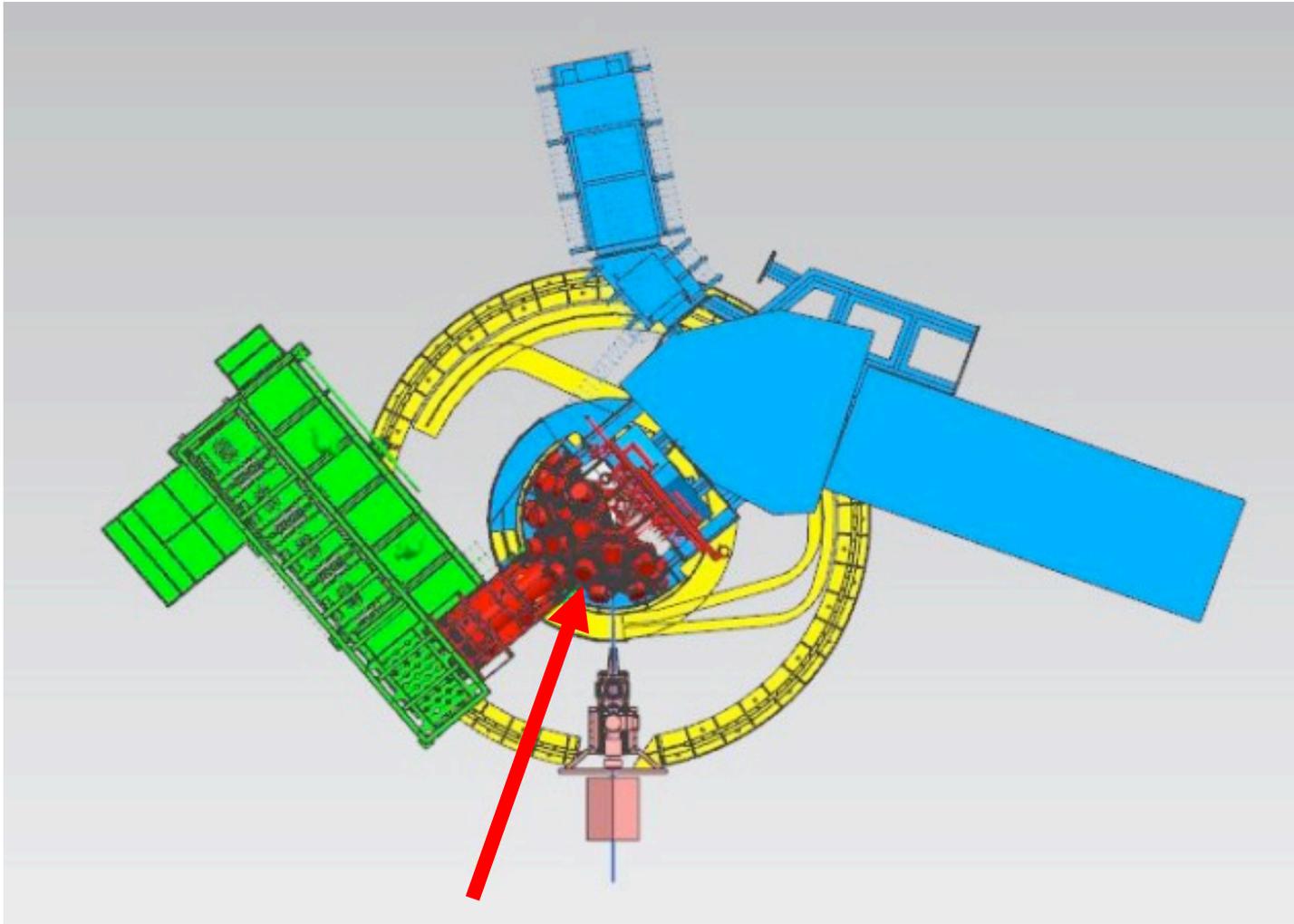
$^7\text{Be} + ^2\text{H}$ L. Lamia *et al.*, Ap. J. 879, 23 (2019)

Changes in the Experimental Hall



The **small reaction chamber** housing the first PPAC and the **main reaction chamber** around the final focal plane of EXOTIC were **removed** in March 2021 in order **to free the space** needed for the installation and the services of AGATA, nevertheless ...

EXOTIC-AGATA Connection

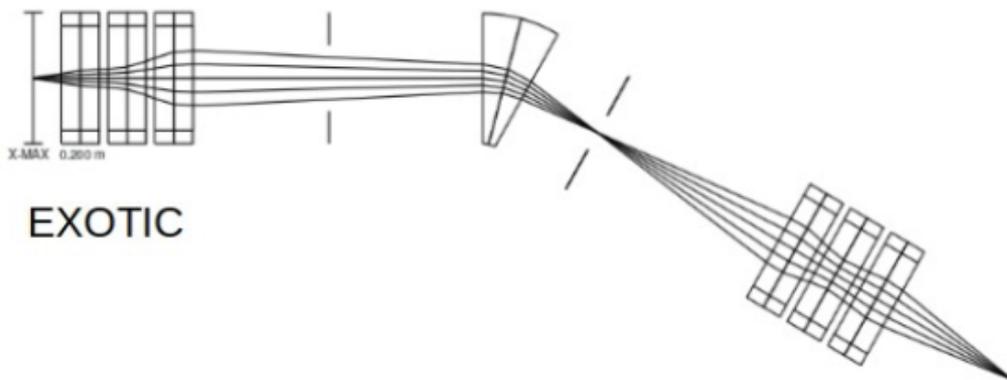
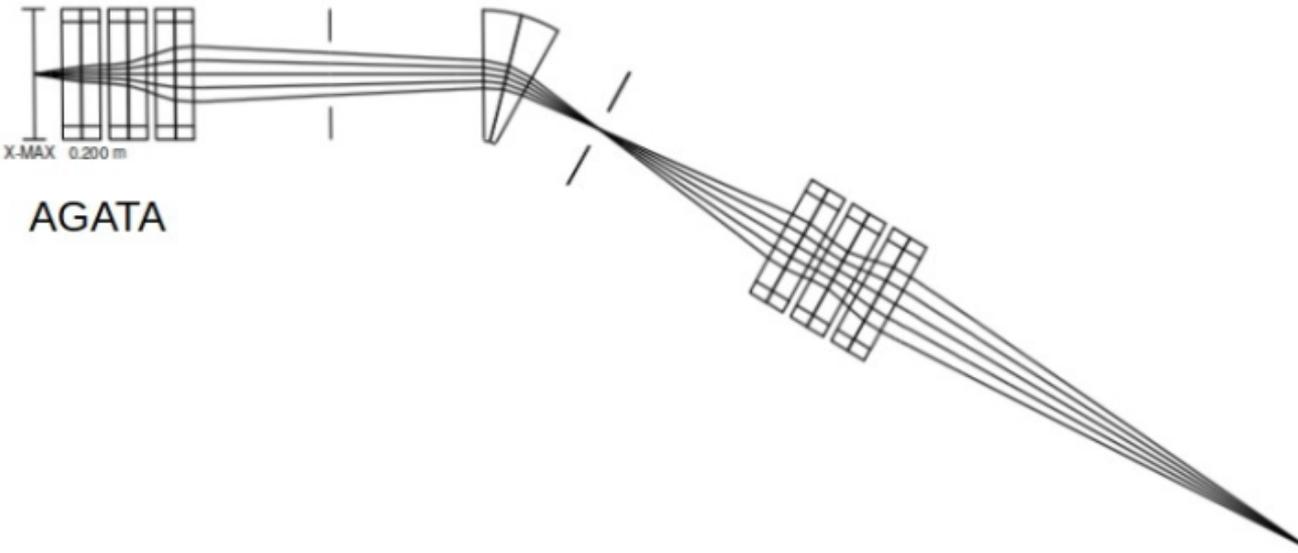


... the **AGATA focal plane**, in the PRISMA-AGATA configuration, is located **2.68 m downstream** the original final focal plane.

Modified Ion-Optics

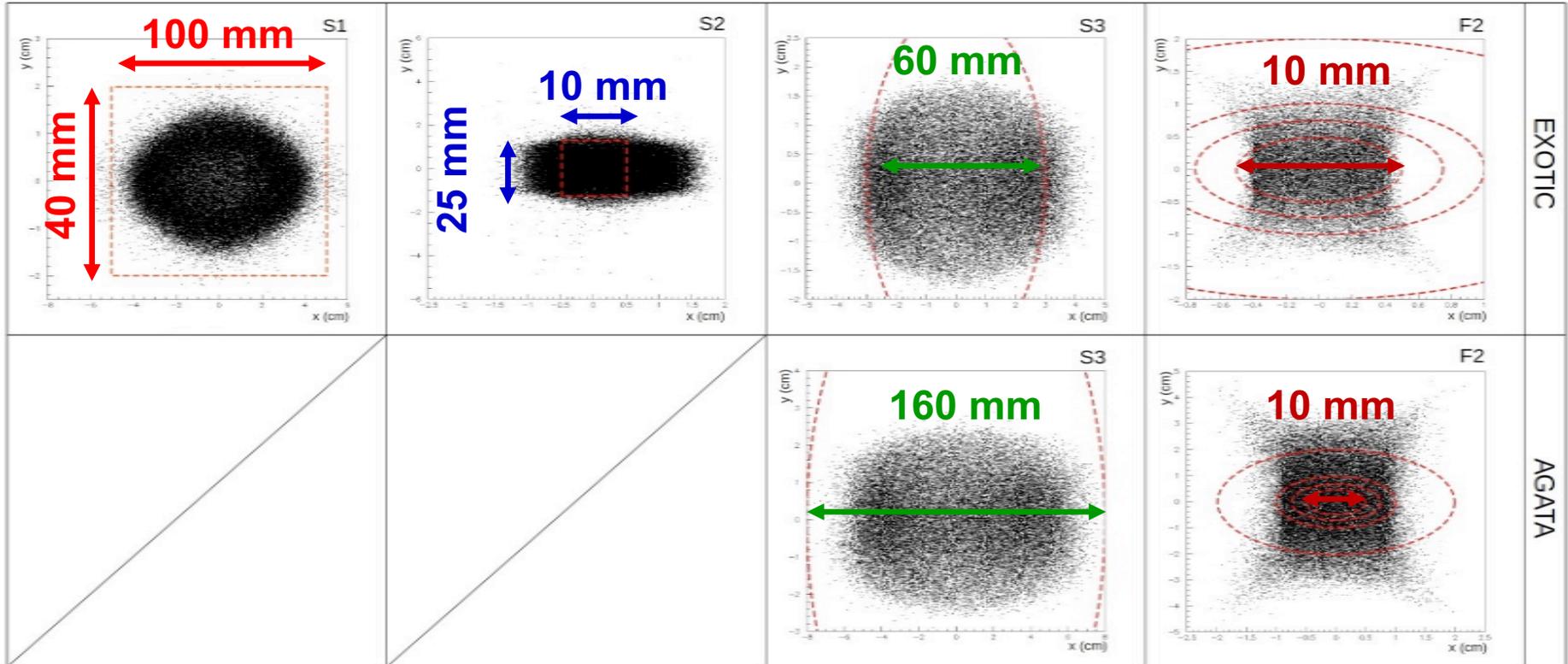
Moving the final focus **downstream** requires **lower magnetic fields** at the pole-tips of the **quadrupoles of the second triplet**.

Ion-optical calculations were performed to estimate the **relative transmission** in the two configurations.



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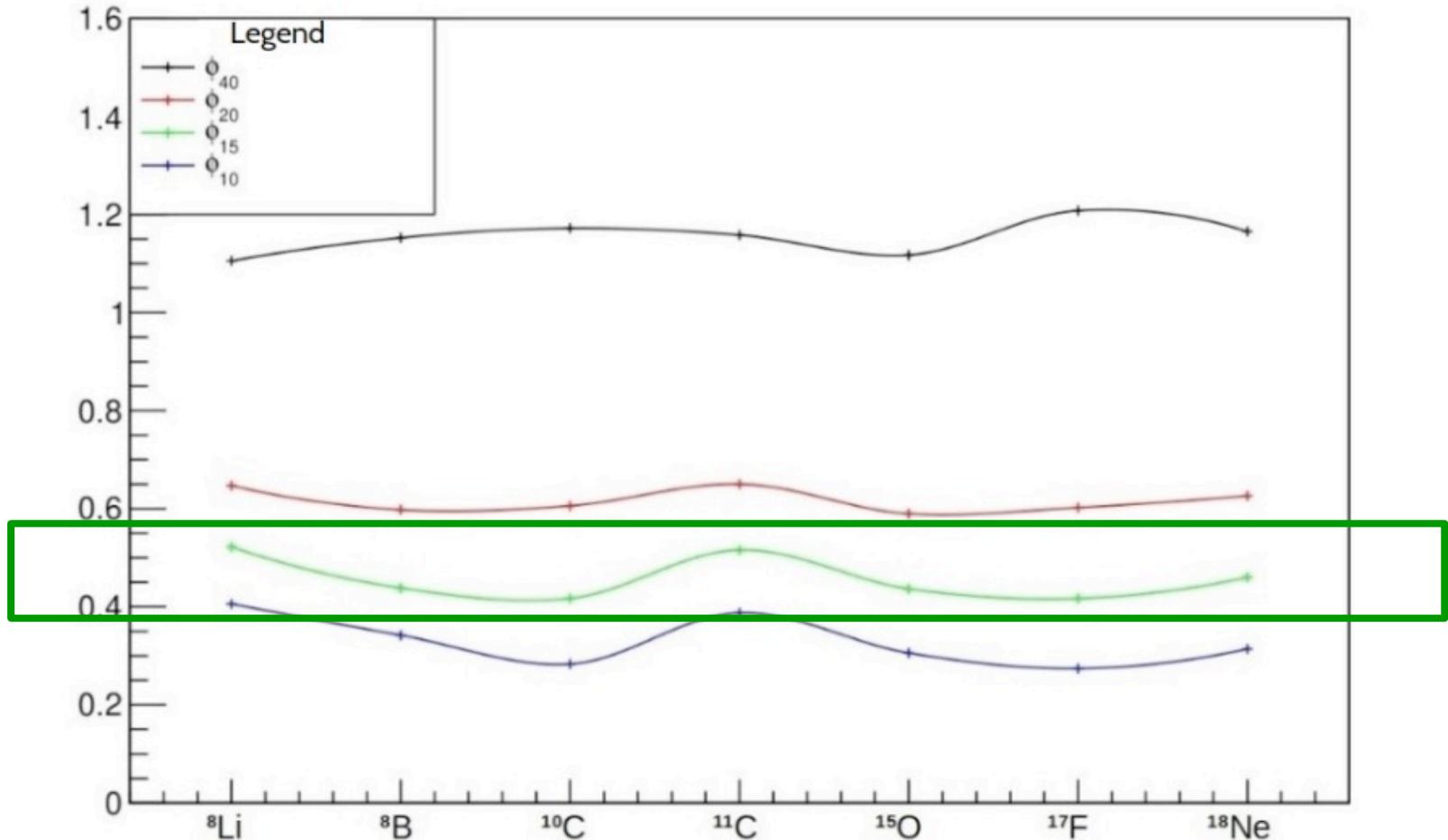
Ion Optical Calculations



Beam profile **behind the first quadrupole triplet (S1)**, **after the dipole magnet (S2)**, at the **exit of the second quadrupole triplet (S3)** and at the **final focal plane (F2)**.

Relative Transmission

Ratio of counts AGATA / EXOTIC



50-% reduction in secondary beam intensity is estimated for a **target diameter of 15 mm**.

Expected RIB Intensities

RIB	EXOTIC Conf. (pps)	AGATA Conf. (pps)	E_{max} (MeV)
${}^8\text{Li}^{3+}$	10^5	5×10^4	21.7
${}^7\text{Be}^{4+}$	10^6	5×10^5	44.2
${}^8\text{B}^{5+}$	10^3	4×10^2	45.5
${}^{10}\text{C}^{6+}$	5×10^3	2×10^3	51.8
${}^{11}\text{C}^{6+}$	2×10^5	10^5	54.2
${}^{15}\text{O}^{8+}$	4×10^4	2×10^4	70.6
${}^{17}\text{F}^{9+}$	10^5	4×10^4	79.6
${}^{18}\text{Ne}^{10+}$	6×10^3	2×10^3	78.1

Tasks and Time-Line of the Project

Task	Intervention	Service
1	Laser-assisted alignment	LNL Acc. Division
2	Beam Diagnostic upstream the production target	
	2 four-sector slits (project)	PD Design Office
	2 four-sector slits (realization)	PD Mech. Workshop
	or 2 diagnostic boxes (installation)	LNL Acc. Division
3	Guiding System for the gas target	
	Technical drawing	PD Design Office
	Realization	PD Mech. Workshop
4	Slit Remote Control System	LNL SCA
5	Replacement of the Pipelines for magnets and power supplies	LNL Users Service
6	Magnet Power Supply	LNL SCA
6	Control System	
7	Beam Diagnostic in proximity of the final focal plane	
	Detectors and electronics	NA SER
	Technical drawing	PD Design Office
	Realization	PD Mech. Workshop

Semester	Task	Intervention	Service
2021/II	5	Pipeline replacement (I)	LNL Users Service
	7	Beam diagnostic (proj.)	PD Design Office
2022/I	2	2 four-sector slits (proj.)	PD Design Office
	5	Pipeline replacement (II)	LNL Users Service
	7	Beam diagnostic (proj.)	PD Design Office
	7	Beam diagnostic (det.)	NA SER
	2022/II	2	2 four-sector slits (real.)
	3	Gas target guiding system (proj.)	PD Design Office
	6	Magnet PS control system	LNL SCA
	7	Beam diagnostic (real.)	PD Mech. Workshop
	7	Beam diagnostic (elec.)	NA SER
2023/I	2	2 four-sector slits (inst.)	PD Mech. Workshop
	3	Gas target guiding system	PD Mech. Office
	4	Slit remote control system	LNL SCA
	7	Beam diagnostic (inst.)	PD Mech. Workshop and NA SER
	7	Beam line connection	PD Mech. Workshop
	1	Laser-assisted alignment	LNL Acc. Division
			In-beam commissioning

**Thank You Very Much
for Your Attention**