STARS: Supersonic jet Targets for nuclear Astrophysics Radiative capture measurementS

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GOAL: development of Supersonic Gas Jet Targets for high precision and high sensitivity nuclear reaction measurements $\rightarrow {}^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{26}\text{Mg}$ and ${}^{12}\text{C}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{16}\text{O}$ in LUNA-MV (progetto premiale)

Working Packages:

- 1. Design
- 2. Construction
- 3. Commissioning

Collaborators

- 1. University of Naples "Federico II" and INFN (Naples LNGS and Pisa sections)
- 2. CIRA
- 3. CNR-INO

Budget

Risk Analysis

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STARS: SCIENTIFIC MOTIVATIONS

Schuermann et al. 2012 PLB 711



Wolke et al. 1989 Z. Phys. A 334



STARS: DETECTION EFFICIENCY



Extended gas target





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STARS: PHASE 1 - DESIGN



Months 0 to 9 3 tasks 1 Deliverable 1 Milestone



STARS: PHASE 1 - DESIGN

- Innovative Computational Fluid Dynamics estimates to optimal nozzles and catches profiles
- computer aided design of the best nozzles-catchers pairs, of the reaction chamber (to host nozzle and catcher, beam monitor, ccd camera, exhausts and being as much compact as possible) and of the vacuum scheme
- procurement (e.g. high flow pumps, capacitive pressure gauge, mass flow controller)
- Deliverable: Report on the design (CFD results, drawings of the mechanicals part, 3D of the whole assemble)
- Milestone: Complete of the design (CFD and CAD) and of the procurement of the custom parts



STARS: PHASE 2 - CONSTRUCTION



Months 10 to 18 6 tasks 1 Deliverable 1 Milestone



STARS: PHASE 2 - CONSTRUCTION

- in the Laboratory of Nuclear Astrophysics of the University of Naples "Federico II"
- Setup construction
- Development of the controller software
- Procurement of the remaining parts
- Geant4 simulations for WP3 IBA measurements
- Surface tests (comparison with CFD, detectors calibration)
- Setup transfer
- Deliverable: Report on setup performance, detectors initial characterization and Geant4 simulations
- Milestone: Surface commissioning complete



STARS: PHASE 3 - COMMISSIONING



Months 19 to 24 3 tasks 1 Deliverable 1 Milestone



STARS: PHASE 3 - COMMISSIONING

- at 3.5 MV accelerator in LNGS
- characterization of ERDA and RBS detection efficiency and angles
- CCD imaging calibration
- SGJT thickness and density profile estimate with PIGE and optical imaging
- Deliverable: Report on characterization measurements, data analysis and results
- Milestone: SGJT characterization complete



STARS: COLLABORATORS

INFN - UNINA D. Rapagnani (PI) C. Ananna G. Imbriani M. Junker L. Morales-Gallegos Expertise

Long-standing experience in setups and measurements with ion beams

Synergy

SGJT for Nuclear Reaction measurements

CIRA M. DeCesare A. Schettino L. Cutrone

CNR-INO L. Gizzi F. Brandi L. Abate

Expertise

Long-standing experience in CFD analysis

Synergy

knowledge on small scale system

Expertise

Long-standing experience in in optical diagnostic and laser plasma interaction

Synergy

knowledge on SGJT properties for Laser Wake Field Acceleration technology



3.5 MV accelerator facility @ LNGS

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STARS: BUDGET

- early procurements to avoid possible delays
- part 1: SGJT related elements (high flow pumps, mass flow controller, ...)
- part 2: measurement related elements (Si detectors and electronics, turbopumps, line valves, ...)

	year 1 (k€)	year 2 (k€)
consumable (e.g. gas, CCD lens, filter and optical fibers, DIO modules)	9.92	10.92
instruments (e.g. pumps, pressure gauges and readers, computer, valves)	64.98	56.04
travels		8.00
tot	74.89	74.96
sum of the project	149.86	



STARS: RISK MITIGATION

Risk	Probability	Contingency plan / Mitigation
Procuring time exceeds the expected one	medium	Having two periods for procuring gives some flexibility. Also elements withi need fewer design will be acquired at the very beginning of the project.
Accelerator unscheduled maintenance	high	Data taking requires 3 weeks of beam, over 5 months devoted also to preparation and data anlysis. Program is then flexible and shifts can be easily re-arranged.
Procured setup doesn't meet requirements, broke	low	A commissioning test is to be performed and it will be done carefully for each purchase. To beforehand handle a possible break, we will ask for extended warranty to cover the entire project (if not included) and handle this issue like a delayed procuring time (see above).
LUNA-MV facility not ready for meausrements	very low	A proposal to perfom the commissioning phase at the the Tandem accelerator of University of Campania will be submitted.



Thanks for your attention!

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