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The CSN3 experiments



CSN3 experiments use different type of beams (stable or radioactive), from low to very high energies







National and International Laboratories for CSN3 experiments





Electron Ion Collider at BNL



To avoid high RW heating and electron cloud, a beam screen (BS) will be installed in the beampipe RHIC superconducting magnets.



MoU EIC-INFN in preparation

 Perform, at LNF, surface studies for qualifying BS prototypes of the hadron ring vacuum chamber of EIC.
Provide a complete, turnkey SEY measurement system to be delivered to EIC to 'in-house' qualify the BS mass production.

See talk M.R. Masullo

EIC Project considerably boosted during 2022. INFN & DOE in close contact



Main Time schedule:

10/2023 draft TDR internal to collaboration 10/2024 ePIC TDR submission to DoE 1/2025 approval of preliminary design 4/2025 approval final design, start construction

- Strong involvement of CSN3, but also CSN4
- INFN interest in Tracking and PID-doubleRICH
- Strong Sinergy with ALICE3 project R&D
- Possible INFN interest in the new magnet





Maximum beam intensity on target at different terminal voltage

lon specie	Terminal Voltage	
	0.3 MV – 0.5 MV	0.5 MV - 3.5 MV
¹ H+	500 µA	1000 µA
⁴ He ⁺	300 µA	500 µA
¹² C+	100 µA	150 µA
¹² C ⁺²	60 µA	100 µA

Condition for Accelerator Operation at LNGS: \rightarrow No alteration of low neutron background underground \rightarrow Limit to beam induced neutrons inside accelerator room: max 2000 s⁻¹

Main program based on nuclear astrophysics cross sect. at low energies

- PAC @ LNGS already active (G. Cuttone et al)
- First experiments approved







LNL-LNS complementarity



INFN LNL: Current physics campaign with TANDEM+ALPI+PIAVE



- Astrophysics, reaction dynamics and nuclear structure programs at LNL with the complex TANDEM+ALPI+PIAVE → MTP.
- Currently, large program with the **AGATA+PRISMA spectrometers**.
- Development of ²³⁸U beams.





CSN3 support experiments on detailed measurements of processes for medical applications (see FOOT) and follows activities of INFN 4LS



LNL Long Term

Storage Rings

- cooling of the beam, significantly improving position, time and energy resolution, and allowing the use of internal gas targets and the achievement of luminosities higher than with solid targets
- acceleration to higher energies;
- direct measurement of nuclear and ionic properties (mass, lifetime, magnetic moment, ...);
- fast extraction of high-intensity pulsed beams for studying interactions with very low cross sections;



Microbeams facility

With the right building infrastructure (temperature - dust free) and instrumentation (such as nuclear nano-probe and improved microprobe) a new accelerator will feed advanced research for > 3000 hours/year in field such as: nanotechnology, quantum devices, new detectors, micro-fabrication, nuclear target characterization and development, nuclear astrophysics solid state and surface physics certified micro-analysis and irradiation advanced microscopy and modification of materials, radiation biology and micro-dosimetryat a top level in Europe, complementary to LUNA-MV (possible higher energies and intensities)









Nuclear physics with TW÷PW lasers



- Laser applications open up the possibility to study nuclear reactions in a plasma environment, that mimicks selected stellar-like conditions.
- Different ranges in T and ρ *i.e.* the relevant parameters for the description of stellar environments
 - can be explored by varying laser intensities.

Physics cases with hundreds of TW lasers (I-LUCE@LNS, FLAME@LNF):

- Fusion reactions, Electron screening measurements, stopping powers
- Space , cultural heritage, radioisotopes...

Coulomb explosion of cryoclusters

 $d + d \rightarrow {}^{3}\text{He}(0.82MeV) + n(2.45MeV)$

- Deuteron ions with MB energy distribution
- T = 1-100KeV and density = 1.E18 cm⁻³
- Fusion yield: 1.E5-1.E7 neutrons/shot

See talks L. Celona e G. Cirrone



Nuclear fusion from laser-cluster interaction











Physics cases that can be addressed with PW lasers (EuAPS@LNF):

- Since $T \propto \sqrt[3]{I_{laser}}$, with an increased laser intensity new scenarios open up where nuclear decays from excited states can be investigated.
- With laser pulses at Δt>1 ps, plasmas in local thermodynamical equilibrium (LTE) can be produced at temperatures up to 100 keV, with nuclear states populated in thermodynamic equilibrium.
- The higher energy density allows to obtain plasma conditions closer to the stellar ones.
- The onset of a LTE allows a direct comparison with stellar model predictions, that normally assume LTE conditions.
- This could be a complementary approach to the PANDORA one, where β -decay studies can be performed in an environment where only *non-local LTE* conditions are attainable.
- The higher temperatures could allow to study the β -decay in plasma also of excited nuclear states.



Possible experimental setup for β -decay

- 1. A PW laser pulse is sent to a solid target containing the radio-isotope under investigation.
- 2. The plasma is created and a forward emission of the thermalized excited nuclei takes place.
- 3. The nuclei travel and eventually decay in flight, populating daughter nuclei in excited states.
- 4. The flight path, and then the distance between the target and a suitable stopper, must be optimized in order define the half-life range that can be explored.



- CSN3 experiments are heavily active with measurements in many national and international accelerators, with different energies, particle/nuclei types and intensities.
- During 2022, the Nuclear Physics Middle Term Plan in Italy defined the main reasearch lines till the end of the decade. It was a joint effort with CSN4 and CSN5, with many young scientists involved. The final reports (EPJ Focus) will soon be available
- Increasing interest from CSN3 to support nuclear processes measurements of interest for medical applications and experimentations at new accelerator facilities devoted to this task. Similarly to the case of the FOOT experiment, CSN3 should take the baton from CSN5 when extensive campaigns of measurements are required.
- Laser induced reactions could open a very reach scenario for measurements in nuclear astrophysics (and other applied fields), complementary to the present facilities. CSN3 is following with attention such developments and is ready to support this activity.