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Resonant Coherent Excitation of Relativistic Highly Charged Ions at Planar Channelling in Si-Crystal

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In the present contribution we report on the first measurement of Resonant Coherent Excitation of Li-like uranium ions. A cooled, well collimated beam of U89+ at 192 MeV/u delivered by the Experimental Storage Ring (ESR) at GSI, Darmstadt (Germany), was sent through a 10 µm effective thickness Si-crystal mounted on a high precision, 5-axis goniometer under the (220) planar orientation. The resonant ion excitation was identified by measuring the yield of the x-rays emitted during the de-excitation process of the channelled ions as a function of the crystal orientation. Using the absolute beam velocity measured at the electron cooler in the ESR, the transition energy was determined from the resonance curve with a precision of 10-4.

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