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# LIANA

## Laser Ion Acceleration for Nuclear Applications

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Activity presentation

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**Sezioni INFN:** LNS, Messina, Milano

Joined experiments: LIANA & NDT

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# Research Team and Collaboration

## Sez. Catania – LNS

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Total TFE: 2.9

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Total TFE: 1.6

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Prof. G. Bertuccio (0.5),

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Total TFE: 2.0

## Collaborations:

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# LIANA Physics

Study and Characterization of high Temperature and Density Plasmas generated by Power Laser Pulses

## 1. Laser Ion Acceleration:

**Plasma ion acceleration** at laser intensities:  $10^{10}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup> (LNS-Catania);  $10^{16}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup> (PALS-Prague);  $10^{20}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup> (FLAME-Frascati)

**Targets:** Thick and thin targets; target composition; target geometry; target coupling

**Electric field in plasma** measurements (in forward and backward directions);

**Distributions:** Ion energy, Charge states, Angular, Temperature, Density, Gradients;

**Proton acceleration:** Research maximum energy and current, monocromatization;

**Fast Ion Diagnostics** using new developed SiC and Diamond detectors

## 2. Nuclear Applications:

Proton and light particle **Ion sources**

Proton and light particles **Post-acceleration** up to 100 kV voltage

Measurements of **Nuclear events** ( D-D reaction, nuclear reactions, excitations and disexcitations, nuclear reactions,...)

## 3. Radiation Detectors:

Study of Silicon Carbide detectors at very high intensity and complex radiation exposures (UV, X, H<sup>+</sup>, Ions)

# 2012 Activity

Analysis of experimental data  
taken at PALS - Prague

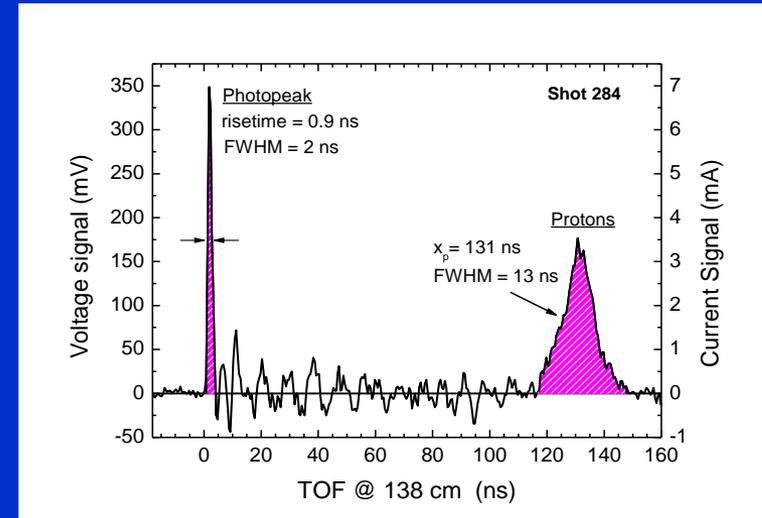
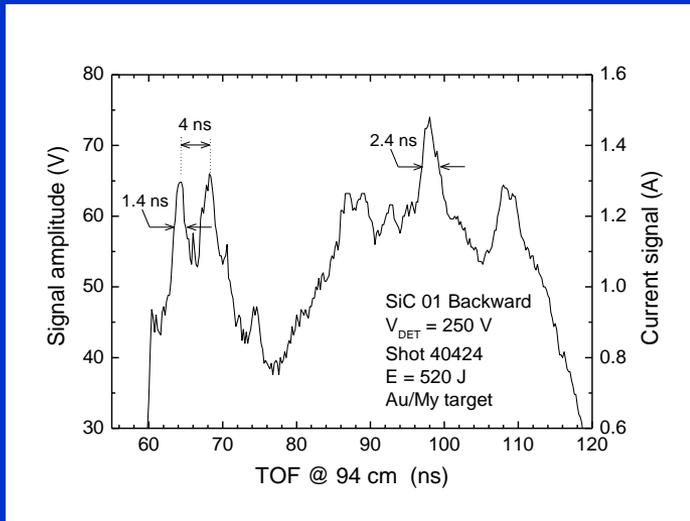
Experiment at Advanced Photonics Research  
Institute (APRI - South Korea)  
using 100 TW Laser



SUMMARY FOR PRESENTATION AT NSS 2012, ANAHEIM - CALIFORNIA, OCT. 29 - NOV. 3

## Sub-Nanosecond Time of Flight SiC Detectors to Intense Laser Generated Plasma Radiation

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## SUMMARY of RESULTS

- SiC Detector in time of flight configuration
- Very high amplitude signals and S/N
- Sub-nanosecond time response
- No degradation of detector response

# 2013 Milestones & support

## Milestones 2013

1. Experiment at PALS using different SiC detectors – data analysis
2. Development of a Monte Carlo simulator to study and optimizing high speed response and timing properties of SiC detectors
3. Characterization of SiC detectors of a new run with large-area position-sensitive SiC devices for plasma analysis

MI	1.0 k€	(Meeting and experiments at LNS)
ME	5.0 k€	(Experiment at PALS, conference)
Con.	2.0 k€	(Electrical/mechanical components)
Inv.	3.0 k€	(Probeheads for detector chip testing)
Serv.	8.0 k€	(Contribution to SiC detector production run)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19,0 k€</b>	