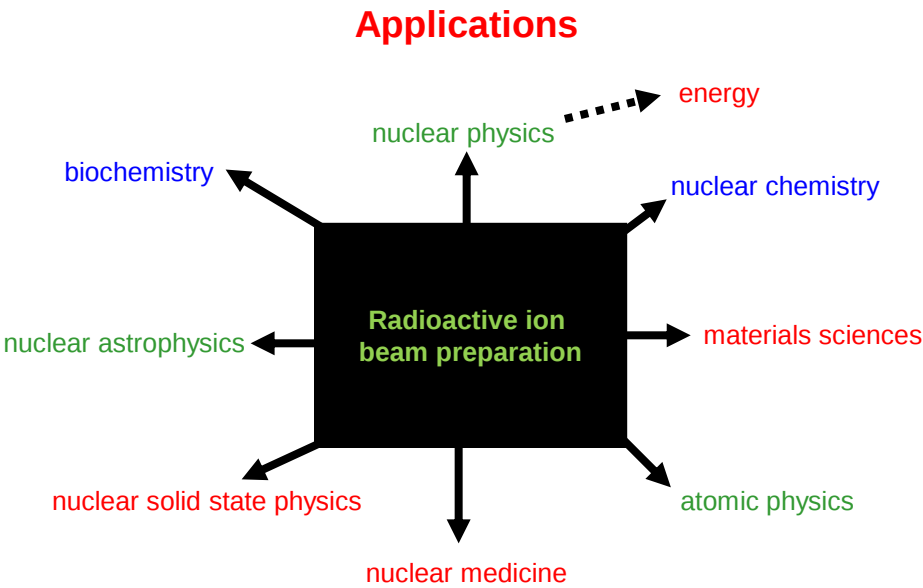
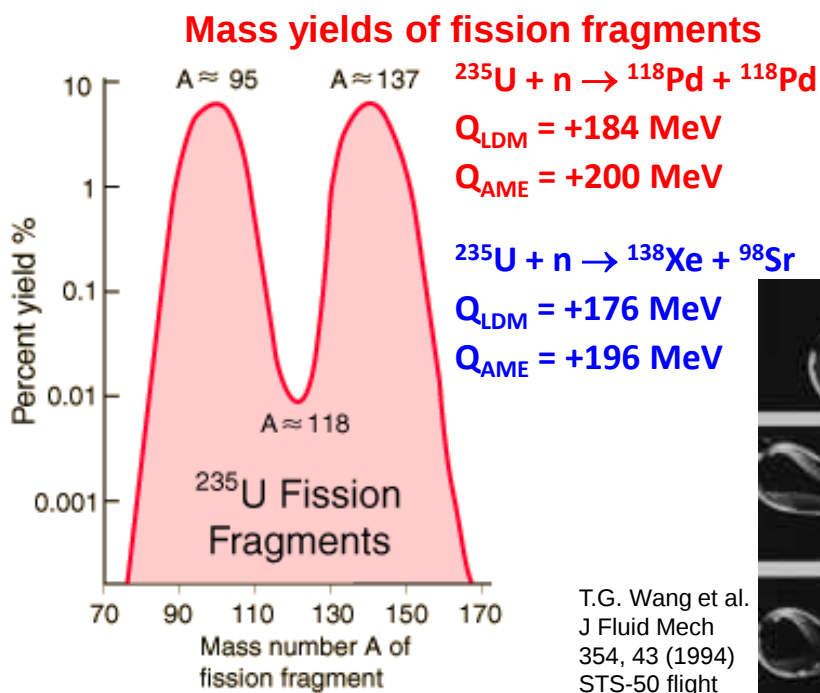
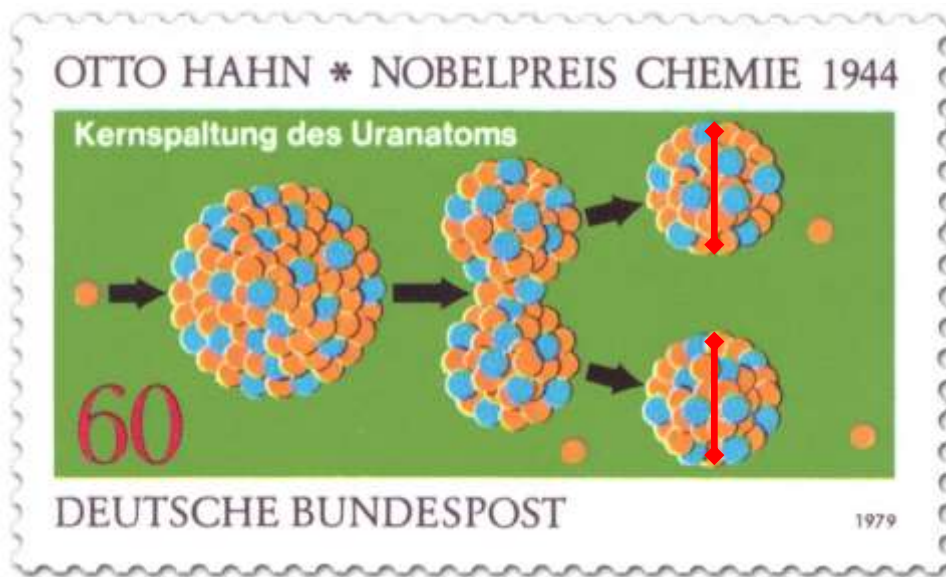


Applications of physics of unstable nuclei
to energy, medicine, material science



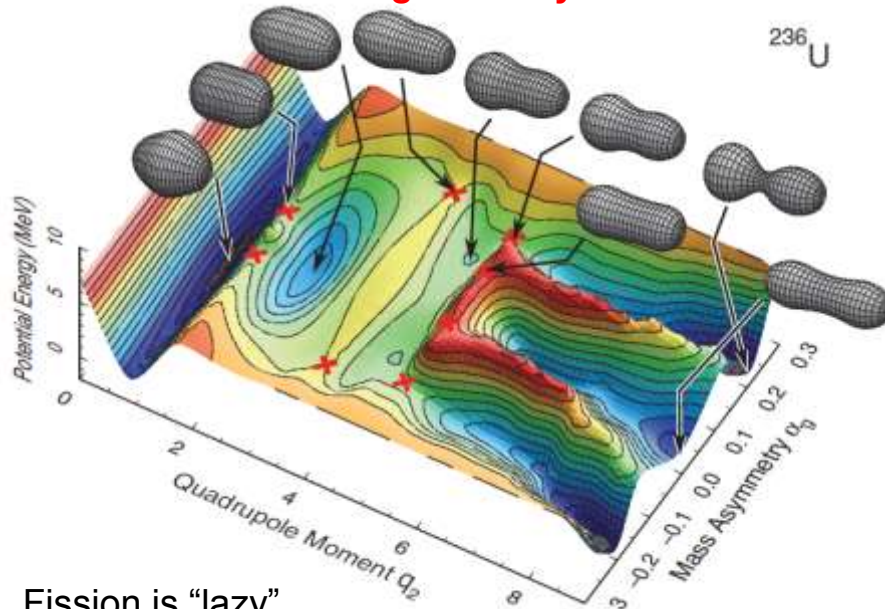
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Grenoble, France





T.G. Wang et al.
J Fluid Mech
354, 43 (1994)
STS-50 flight

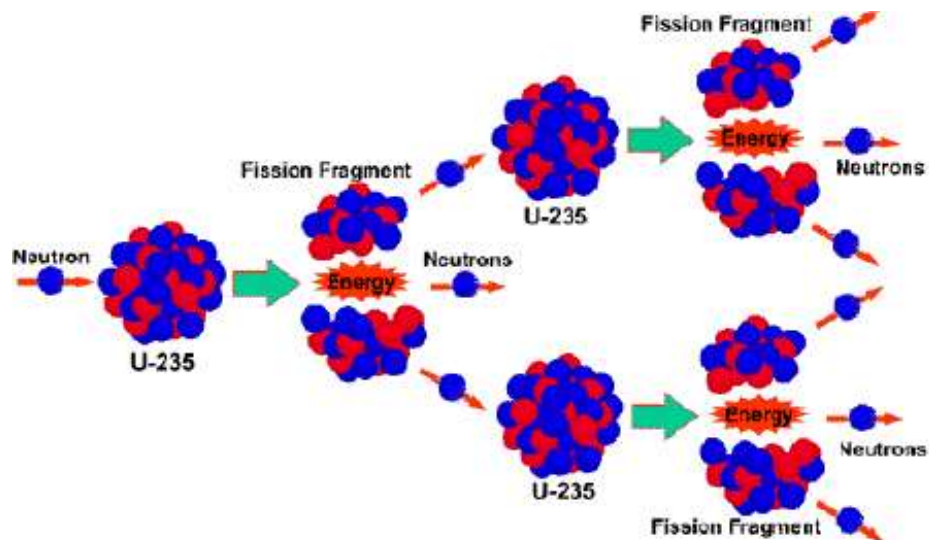
Understanding fission yields of ^{236}U



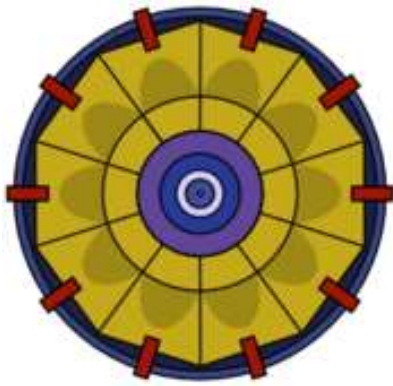
Fission is “lazy”

T. Ichikawa et al. PRC 86, 024610 (2012)

A nuclear chain reaction



A single-pulse neutron source

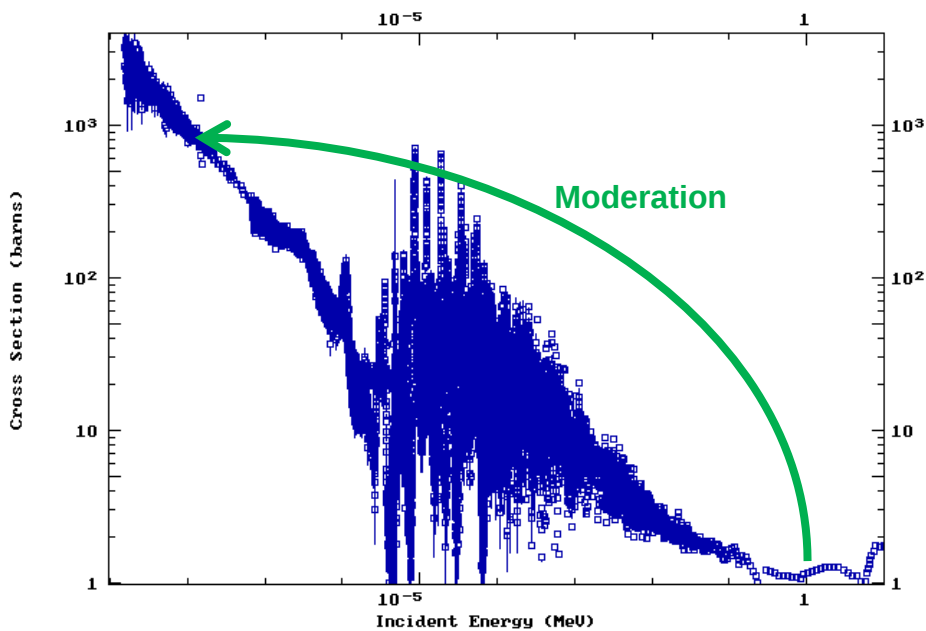


Uncontrolled
chain reaction
of fast-neutron
induced fission

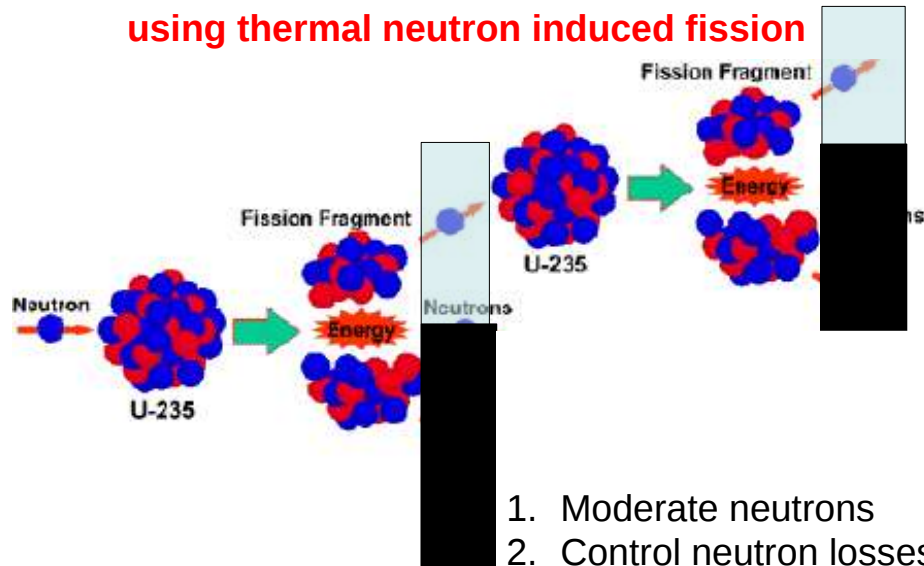
≈ 25 kg of 93% ^{235}U



$^{235}\text{U}(n,f)$ cross-section as function of energy



A controlled nuclear chain reaction using thermal neutron induced fission



k = multiplication factor = (neutrons produced in one generation) / (neutrons produced in previous generation)

Prompt neutron kinetics

Prompt neutron lifetime τ_p is the average time between the birth of prompt fission neutrons and their final absorption.

Assumptions:

- No delayed neutrons
- Infinite reactor, multiplication factor $k_\infty = k$

time	$N(t)$
0	n
τ_p	kn
$2\tau_p$	k^2n
$3\tau_p$	k^3n

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = \frac{k-1}{\tau_p} n \Rightarrow n(t) = n(0)e^{\frac{(k-1)}{\tau_p}t}$$

Time constant

$$T = \frac{\tau_p}{k-1}$$

Exponential decrease ($k < 1$)
or exponential growth ($k > 1$)

cf. demographic projections for Germany
Fertility: 1.5 child/women $\rightarrow k = 0.75$
 $T = 25 \text{ years} / (1 - 0.75) = 100 \text{ years}$

Prompt neutron kinetics

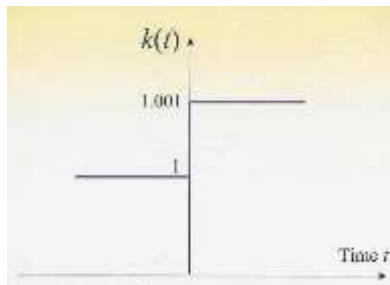
$\tau_p = \tau_s + \tau_d$ = slowing down time + diffusion time

In thermal reactors: $\tau_s \ll \tau_d$, i.e. $\tau_p \cong \tau_d$

$$\tau_d \cong \lambda_a / v \cong 10 \text{ cm} / (2000 \text{ m/s})$$

$$\tau_p \cong \tau_d \cong 50 \text{ } \mu\text{sec}$$

Example: step of reactivity from $k=1.000$ to $k=1.001$



$$T = \frac{\tau_p}{k-1} = \frac{50 \cdot 10^{-6}}{10^{-3}} = 0.05 \text{ sec}$$

$$n(t) = n_0 e^{\frac{t}{0.05}}$$

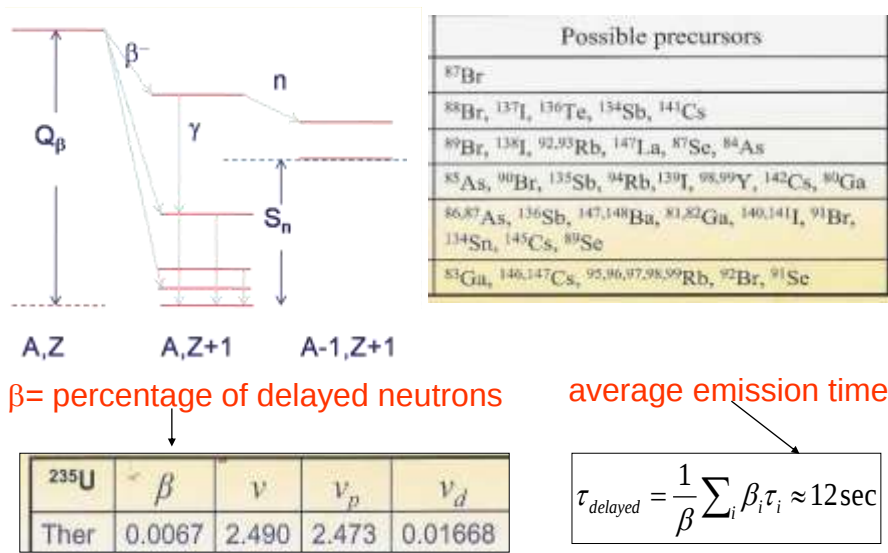
$$\frac{n(1 \text{ sec})}{n_0} = e^{20} = 5E8$$

“Prompt” control is not possible!

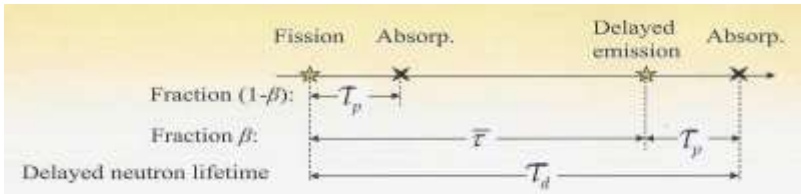
Chernobyl: a criticality accident



Delayed neutron emission from fission products



Neutron lifetime, taking into account delayed neutrons

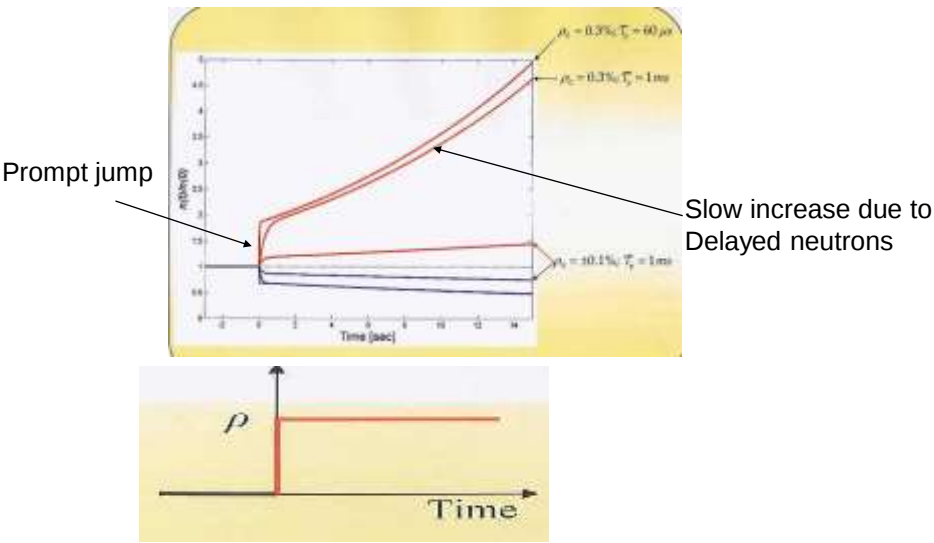


$$k = k_{\text{prompt}} + k_{\text{delayed}} = 1 = (1 - \beta) + \beta$$
$$\tau = (1 - \beta)\tau_p + \beta(\tau_{\text{delayed}} + \tau_p) \approx \beta\tau_{\text{delayed}} = 0.08 \text{ sec}$$

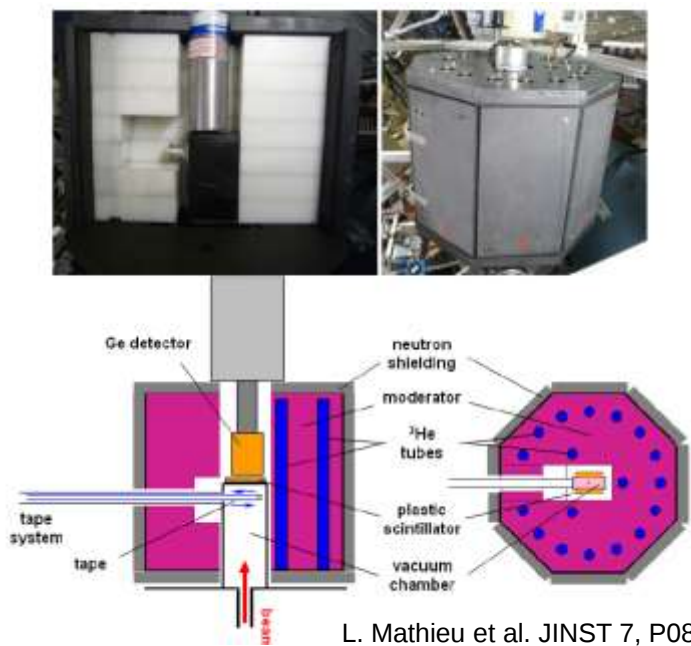
Now for step from k=1.000 to k=1.001

$$T = \beta\tau_{\text{delayed}} / (k - 1) = 80 \text{ seconds}$$

Reactor response to a step of reactivity

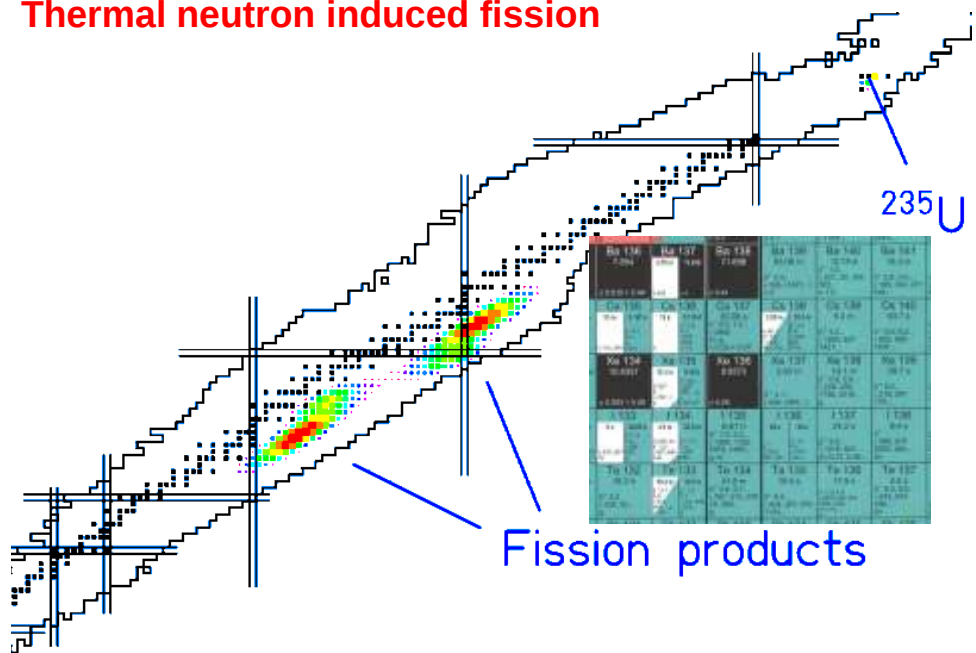


Study of delayed neutron emitters



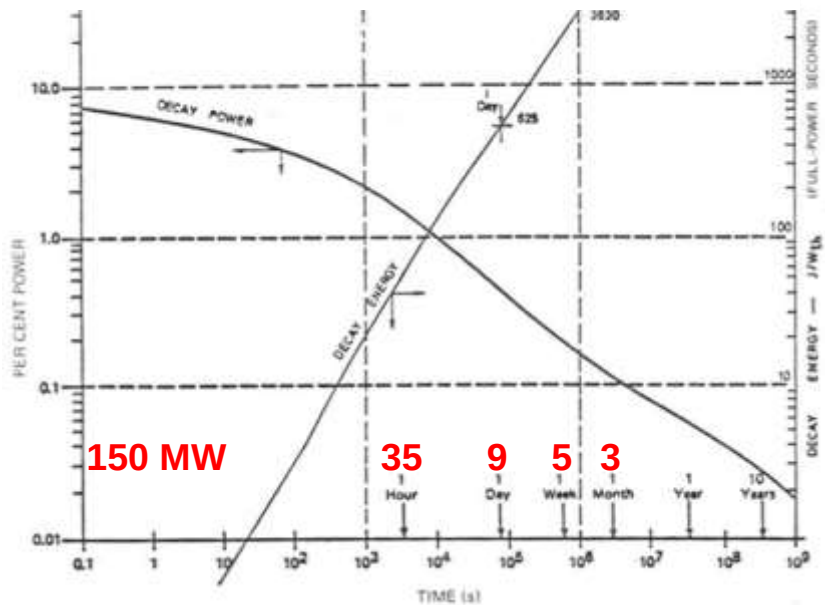
L. Mathieu et al. JINST 7, P08029 (2012).

Thermal neutron induced fission



Nuclear decay heat

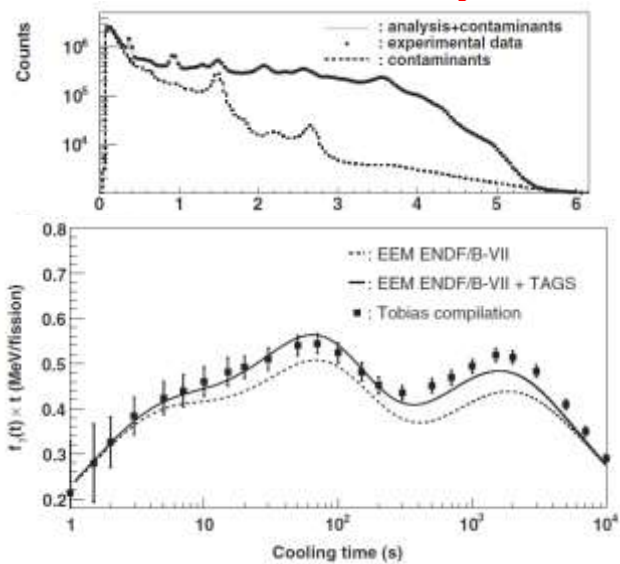
Fukushima 2 and 3: 784 MWe, 2300 MWth



Fukushima: a loss-of-coolant accident

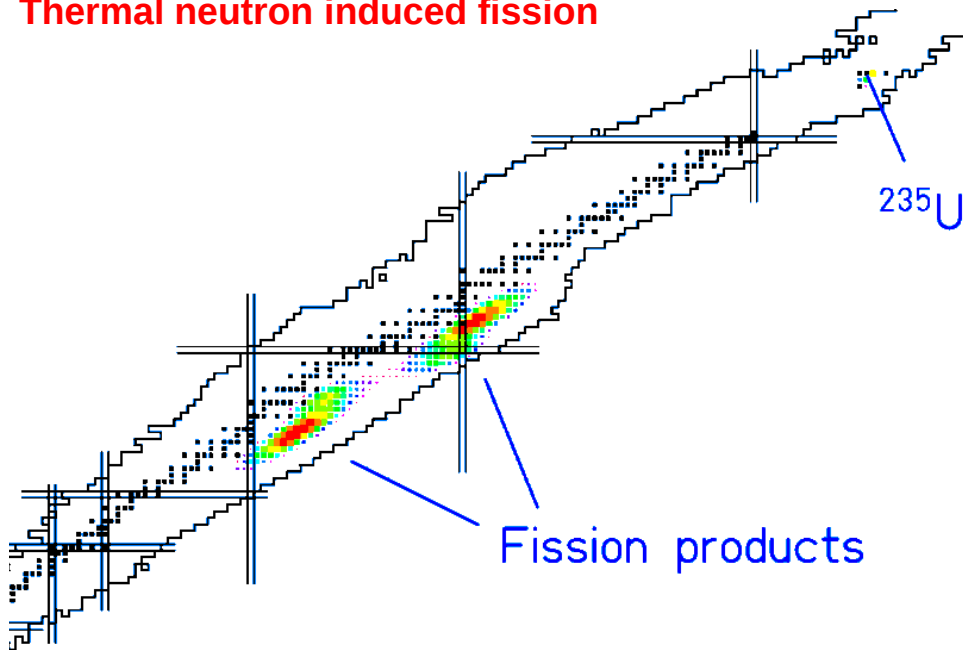


TAGS measurements to understand decay heat



A. Algora et al. PRL 105, 202501 (2010).

Thermal neutron induced fission



Thomson 1910: parabola mass spectrograph

Electric field parallel to magnetic field

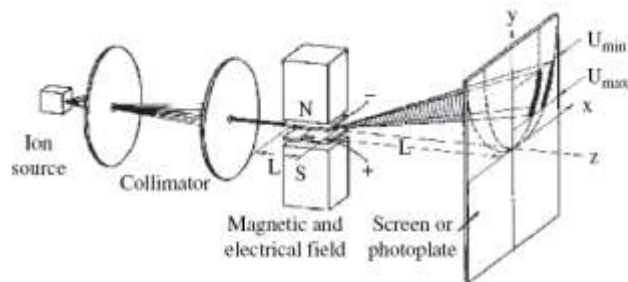


Figure 1.5 Parabola mass spectrograph constructed by J.J. Thomson (1910) with a discharge tube as ion source, a superimposed electrical field and a magnetic field oriented parallel to it for ion separation, and a photoplate for ion detection. (H. Kienitz (ed.), *Massenspektrometrie* (1968), Verlag Chemie, Weinheim. Reproduced by permission of Wiley-VCH.)

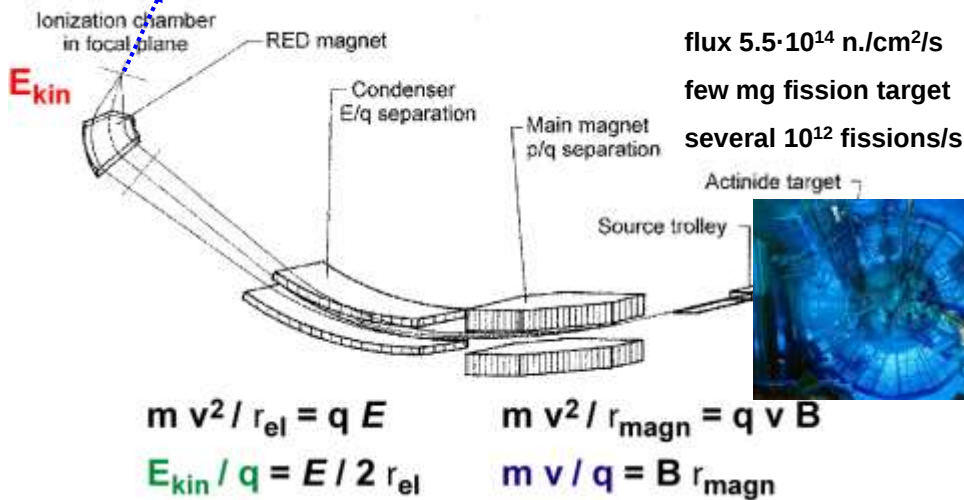
1912: Neon consists of two isotopes with mass 20 and 22

The LOHENGRIN fission fragment separator

mass-separated fission fragments,
up to 10^5 per second, $T_{1/2} \geq$ microsec.

$$\Delta A/A = 3E-4 - 3E-3$$

$$\Delta E/E = 1E-3 - 1E-2$$



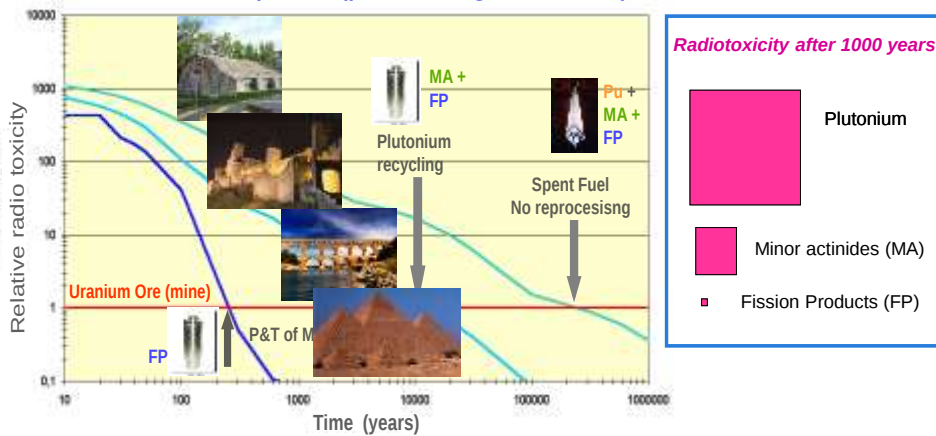
P. Armbruster et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. 139 (1976) 213.

The LOHENGRIN fission fragment spectrometer



Nuclear waste transmutation

Not fission is responsible for the nuclear waste problem,
but neutron capture (producing Pu + MA) !



Pu has a high energetic potential.

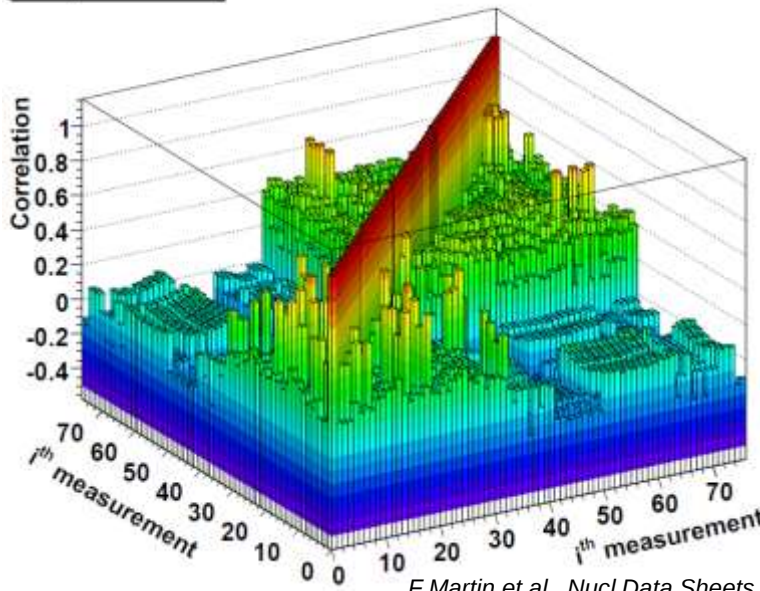
Nuclear data for “energy”

- Fission cross-sections
- Absorption cross-sections
- Scattering cross-sections
- Fission yields
- Beta-delayed neutron emitters
- Neutron poisons
- Prompt gamma ray emission
- Delayed gamma ray emission
- Beta spectra
- etc.

Nuclear data for applications require moderately exotic beams and medium precision (~1%) but excellent accuracy and reliability.

Fission yield measurements

$$Y(A, {}^{233}\text{U}(n,f))$$

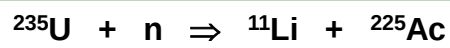


F Martin et al., Nucl Data Sheets 119, 328 (2014).

The importance of error correlations



¹¹Li production in thermal neutron induced fission?

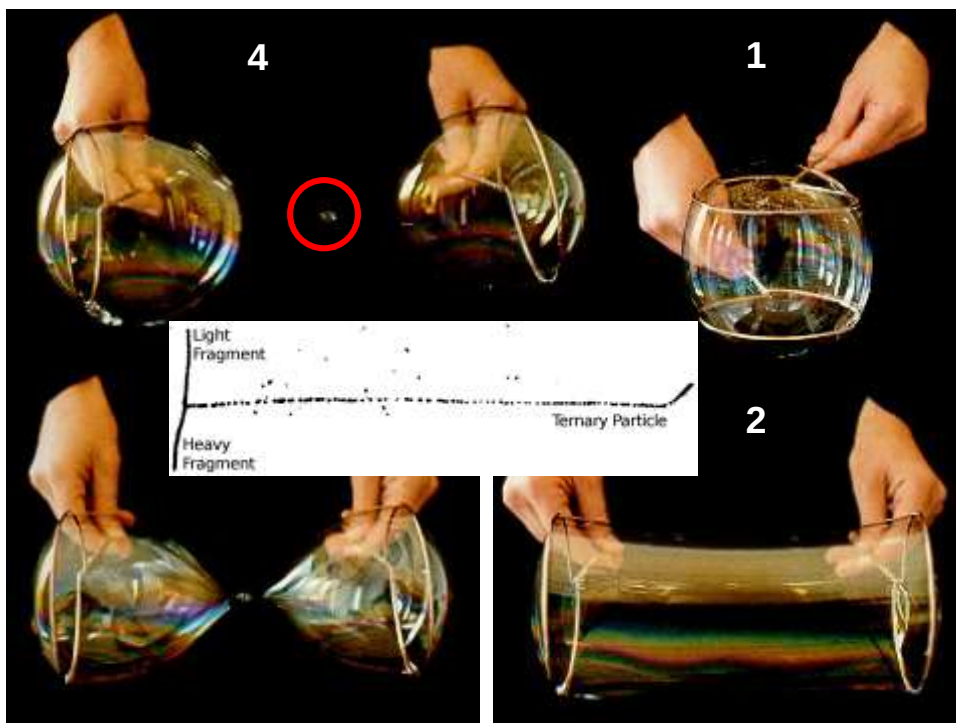


$$A \quad 235 + 1 = 11 + 225$$

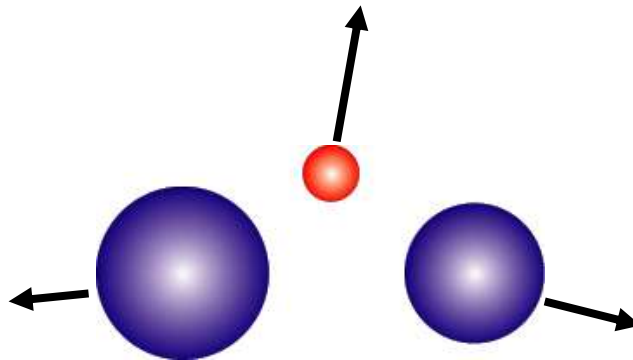
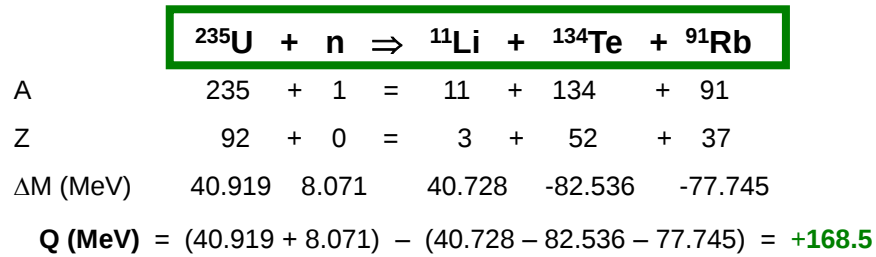
$$Z \quad 92 + 0 = 3 + 89$$

$$\Delta M \text{ (MeV)} \quad 40.919 \quad 8.071 \quad 40.728 \quad 21.639$$

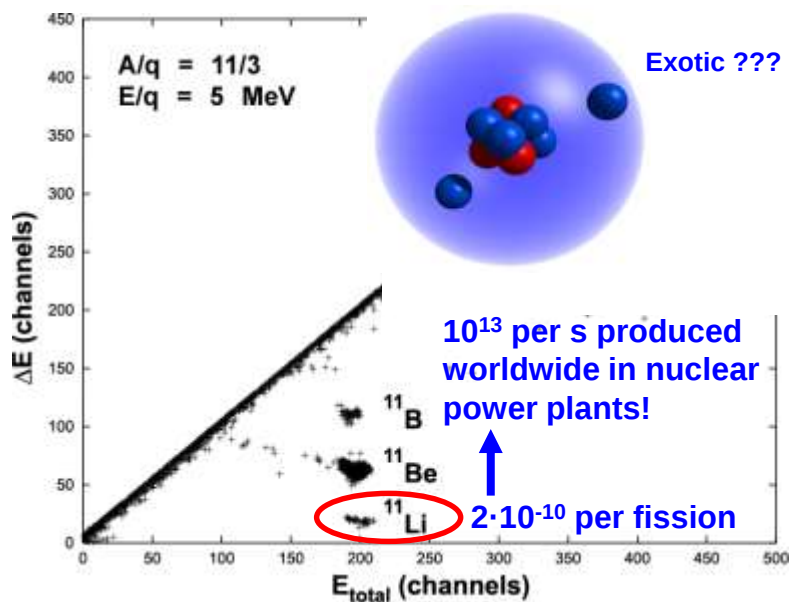
$$Q \text{ (MeV)} = (40.919 + 8.071) - (40.728 + 21.639) = -13.4$$



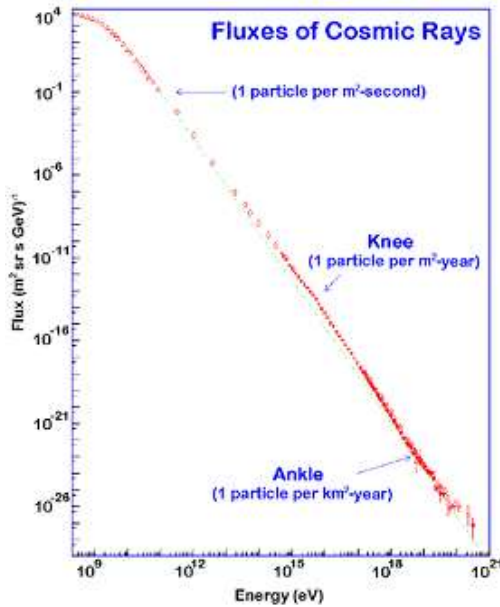
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Detection of rare ternary particles



Particle accelerators in the Universe



Flux 10^4 protons m⁻²s⁻¹

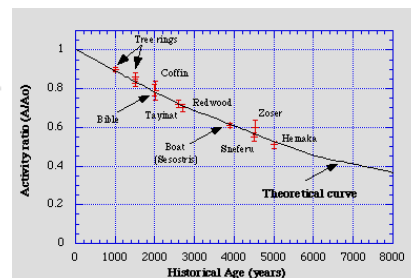
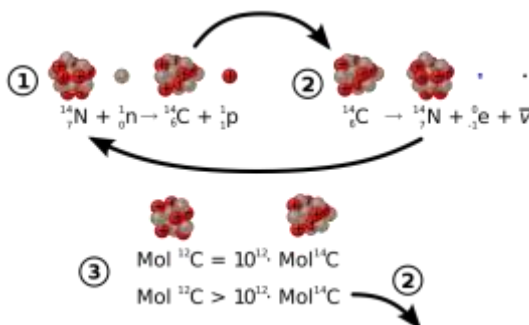
Energy $\sim$ GeV = $1.6 \cdot 10^{-13}$ J

Earth's surface 10^{25} m²

"Beam" power $\sim 10^{15}$ W

(=1 PW)

Radiocarbon dating



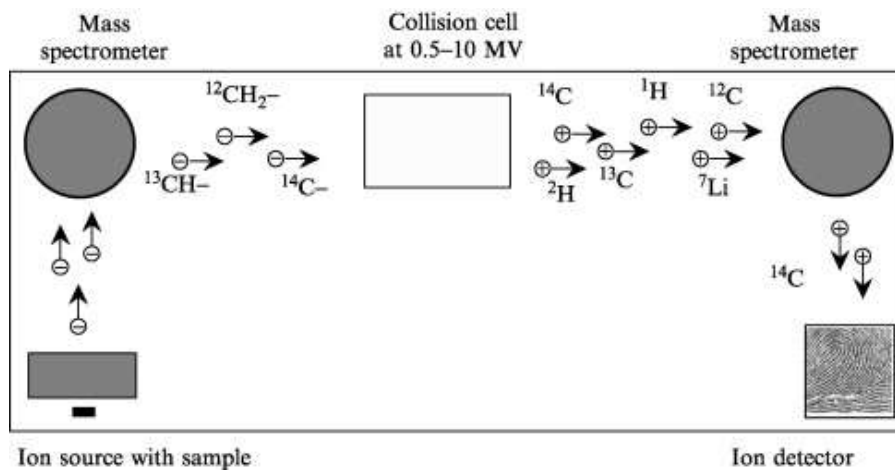
- Cosmic radiation > spallation neutrons > $^{14}\text{N}(\text{n},\text{p})^{14}\text{C}$ reactions
- Living organisms: equilibrium with atmospheric $^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ ratio
- After death: $^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ decreases due to ^{14}C decay ($T_{1/2}=5370$ y)

Problem: measure $^{14}\text{C}^+$ at ppt level without interference from

$^{14}\text{N}^+$, $^{12}\text{CH}_2^+$, $^{13}\text{CH}^+$, $^{28}\text{Si}^{++}$, $^{12}\text{C}^{16}\text{O}^{++}$, $^{42}\text{Ca}^{+++}$, $^{56}\text{Fe}^{++++}$,...

Multistep-Separation in Accelerator Mass Spectrometry

1. Negative ion formation $^{14}\text{N}^-$ anions do not exist
2. Acceleration and stripping breakup of molecules
3. Z-selective ion detector $\frac{dE}{dx} \sim \frac{Z^2}{E}$

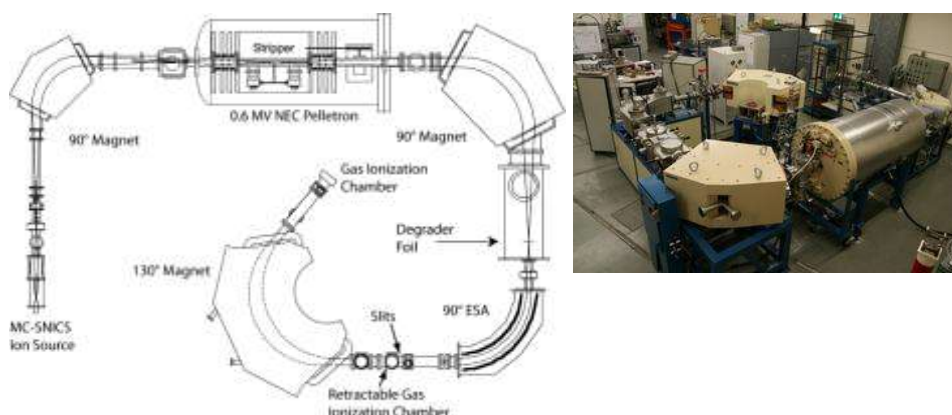


6 MV tandem: the “working horse” for AMS



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0.6 MV TANDY: the “working pony” for AMS



Routine measurements of: ^{10}Be , ^{41}Ca , ^{129}I , ^{236}U , Pu, etc.
longer-lived than ^{14}C : geology, cosmochemistry,...

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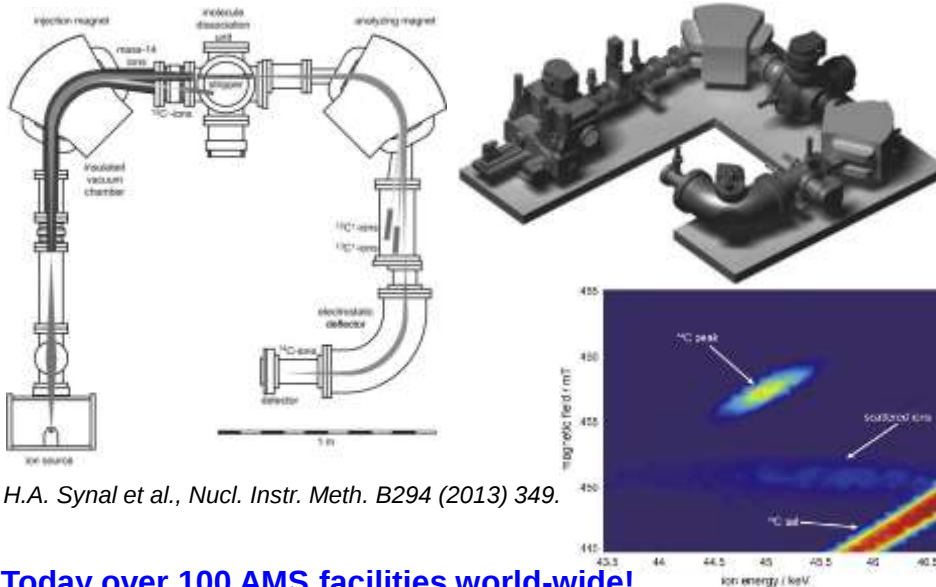
MICADAS (Mini-radioCARbon-DATING-System): 0.2 MV AMS



Routine measurements of: ^{14}C

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MUCADAS (MICRO-radioCARbon-DATING-System): 45 kV AMS

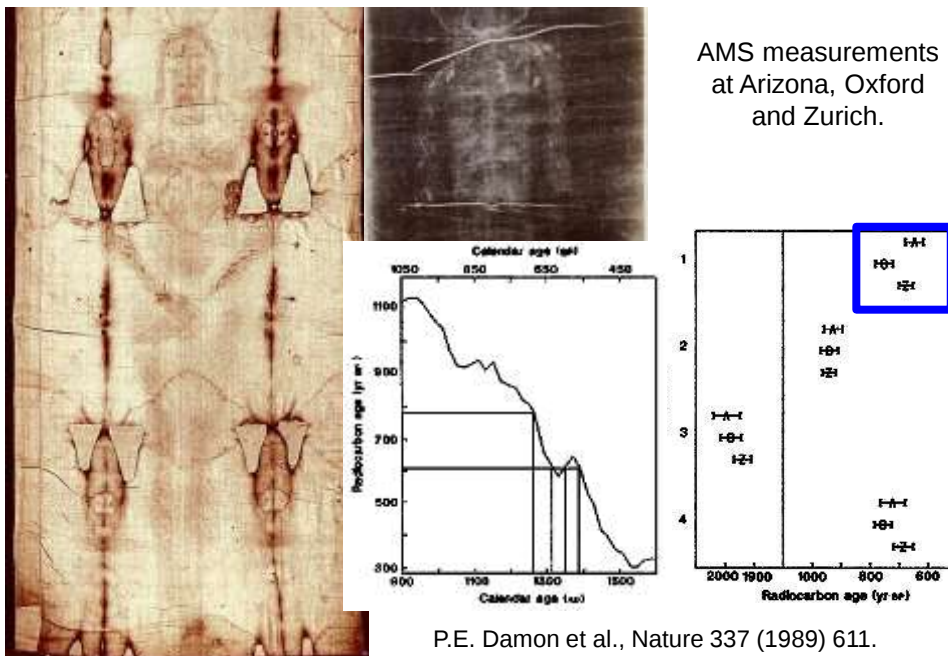


H.A. Synal et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. B294 (2013) 349.

Today over 100 AMS facilities world-wide!

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The shroud of Turin AD 1260-1390

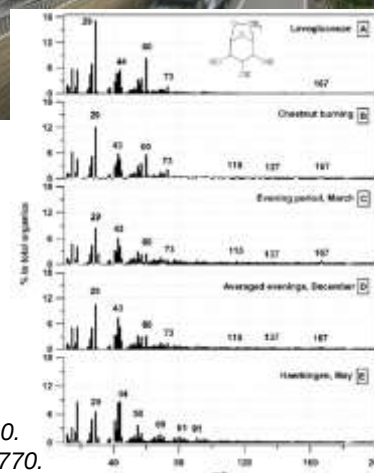
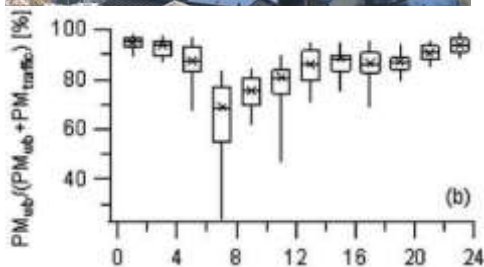


P.E. Damon et al., Nature 337 (1989) 611.

Winter smog

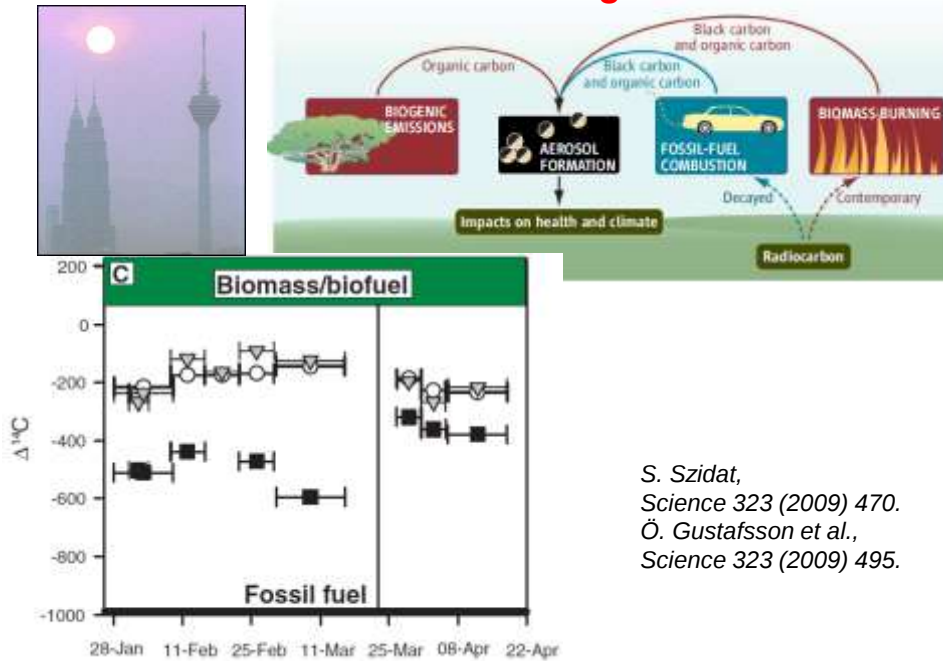


Aerosol composition in Swiss alpine valleys



S. Szidat et al., *Geophys. Res. Lett.* 34 (2007) L05820.
M.R. Alfarra et al., *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 41 (2007) 5770.

Asian haze: biomass burning contributes !

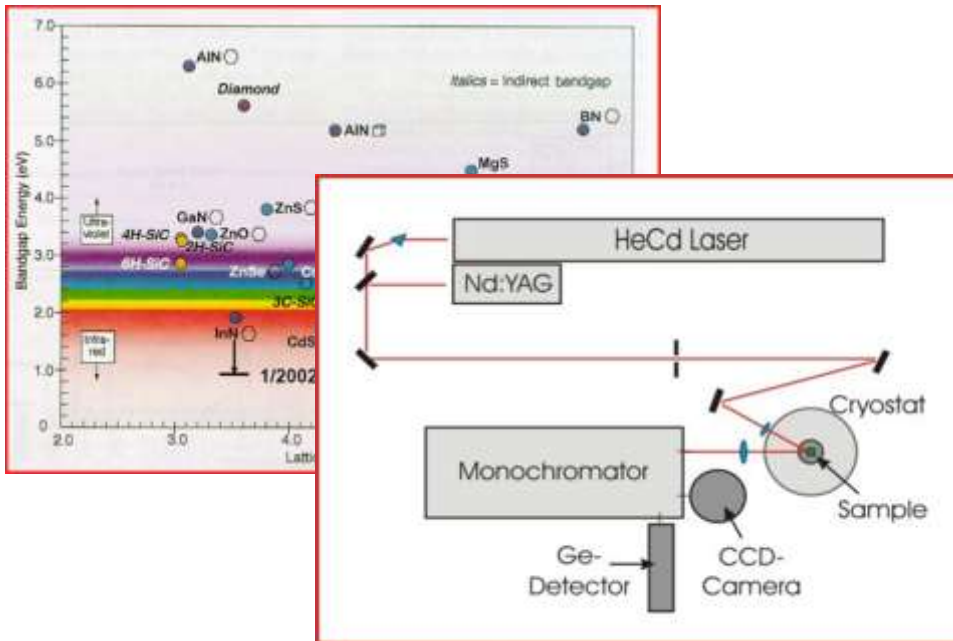


S. Szidat,
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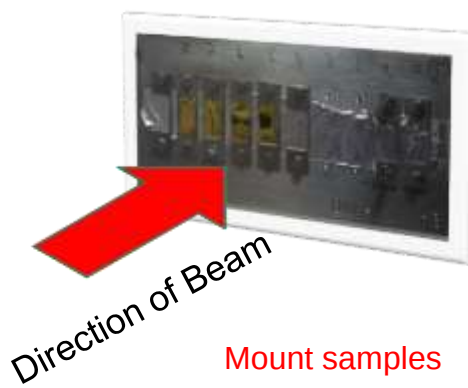
Questions in solid state physics (in particular semiconductors)

- How does a dopant modify the properties (optical, electrical, magnetic)?
- What is the preferred lattice position of a dopant, depending on implantation, annealing, etc.?
- What is the local electrical and magnetic environment at this position?

Photoluminescence spectroscopy



Collection physics



Mount samples



Collection chamber

Post-collection processing and spectroscopy



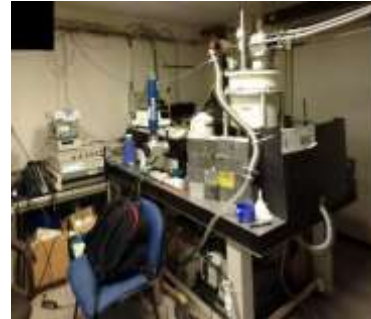
Transport to offline labs..



Ovens to repair crystal damage

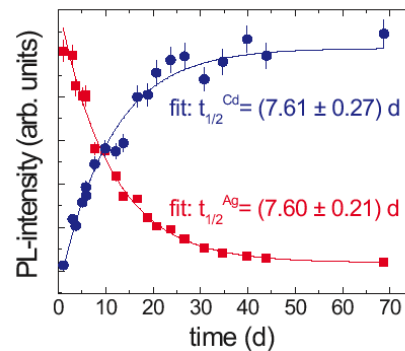
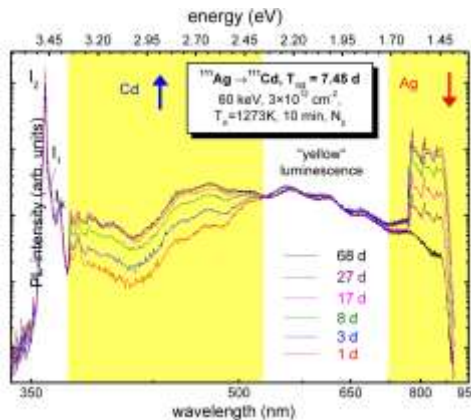


Chemistry (especially for biophysics)



PL measurements of ^{111}Ag > ^{111}Cd implanted in GaN

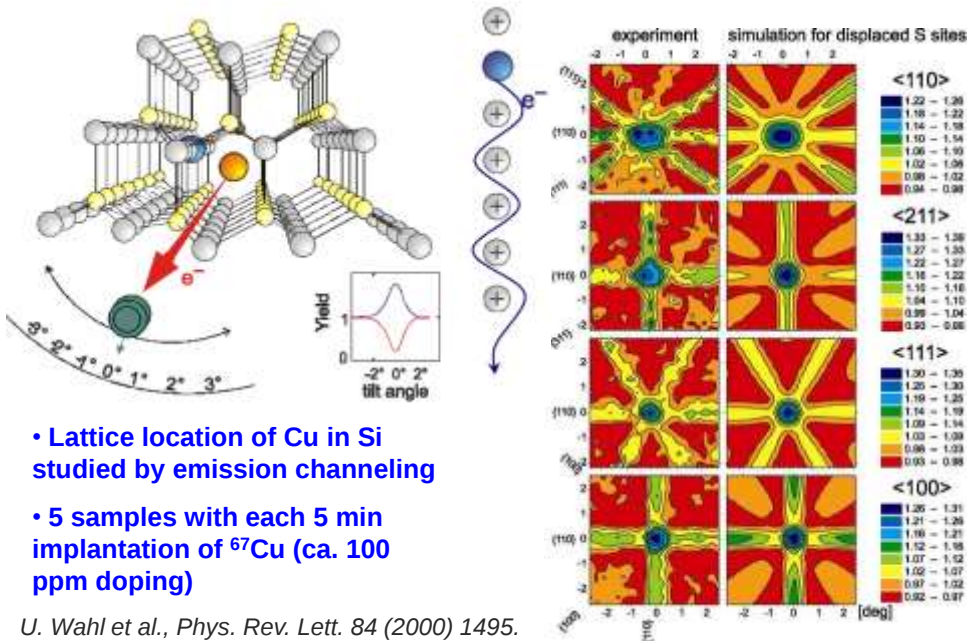
direct identification of the Cd and Ag PL bands in GaN



ONLY ONE Ag or Cd atoms are involved

A. Stötzler et al., Physica B **273/274** (1999) 144

^{67}Cu for nuclear solid state physics

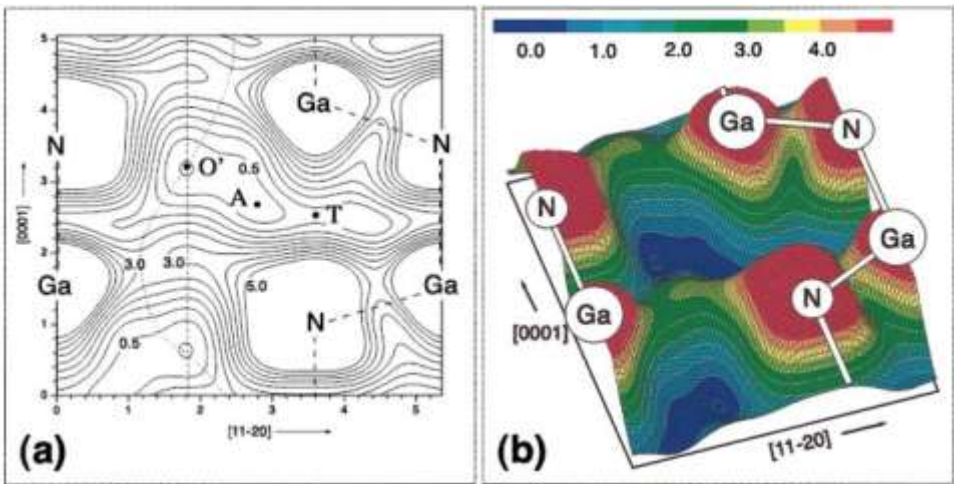


GaN is a wide band gap (3.39 eV) semiconductor with many applications:

- high-performance blue LEDs
- long-lifetime blue/violet laser diodes (Blu-ray Disc)
- UV detectors
- high-speed field effect transistors
- ...

present p-type doping with Mg (208 meV acceptor activation energy) might be replaced by Be (90-250 meV)

Be doping of GaN



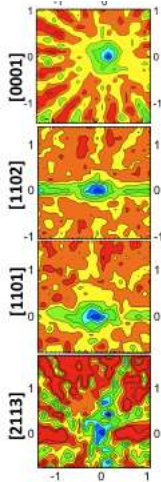
Calculated total energy surfaces for Be interstitials in GaN

C.G. Van De Walle and J. Neugebauer, J. Appl. Phys. 95 (2004) 3851.

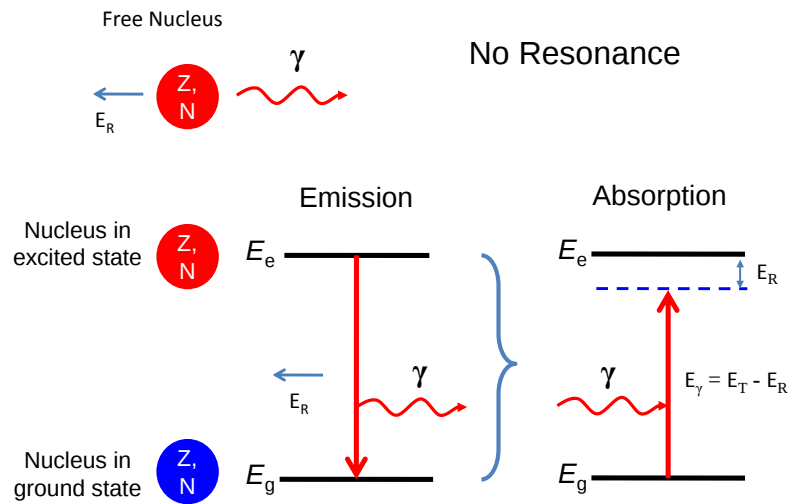
On-line emission channeling

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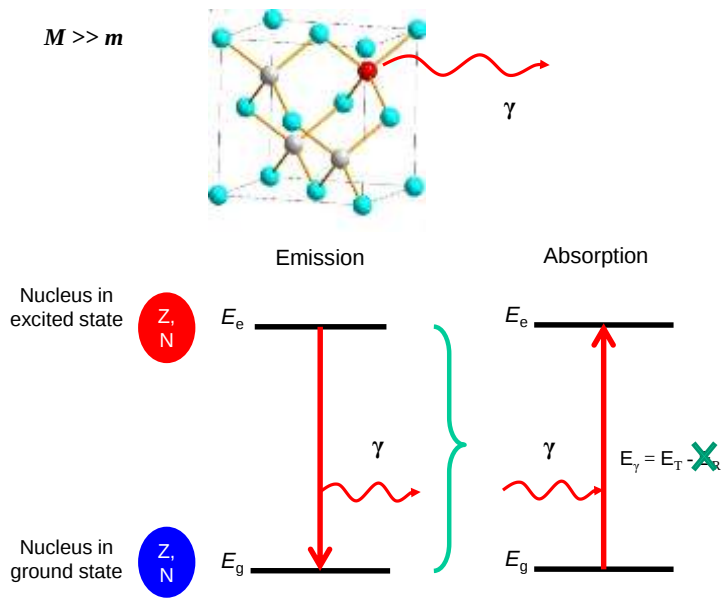
first β^-
EC patterns
using ^{11}Be
in GaN



Nuclear resonance fluorescence



Recoilless nuclear resonance fluorescence



Mössbauer effect

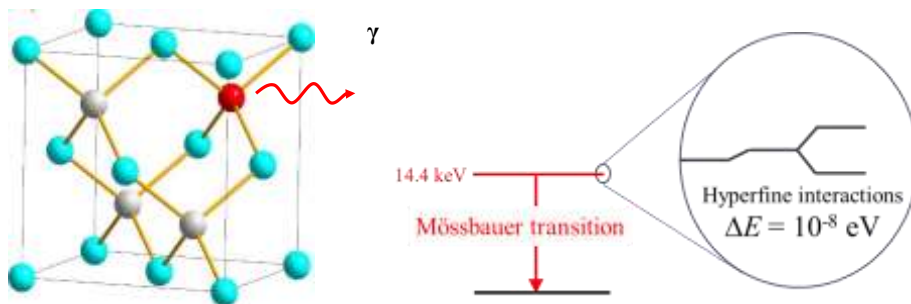
1957 discovery of recoilless nuclear resonance

1961 Nobel Prize in Physics



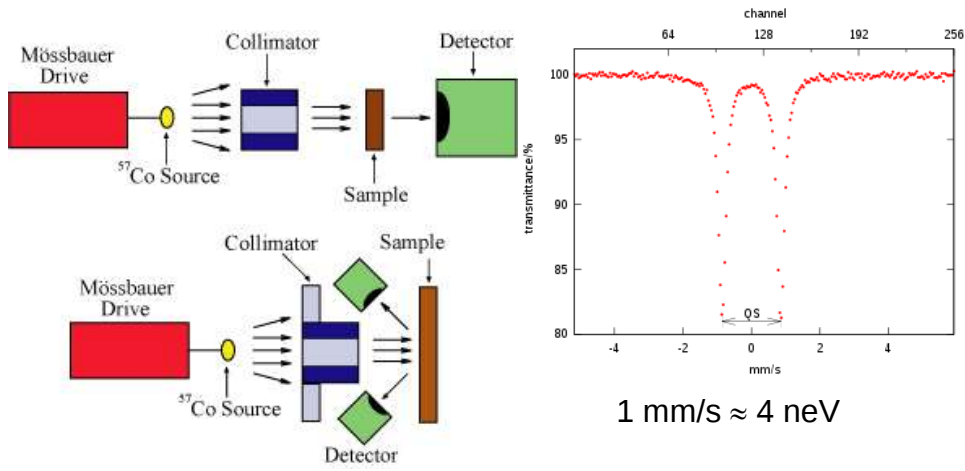
Application of the Mössbauer effect

Interactions between the nucleus and its surrounding electrons...



...causing changes in the nuclear
(and electronic) energy levels.

Mössbauer spectroscopy

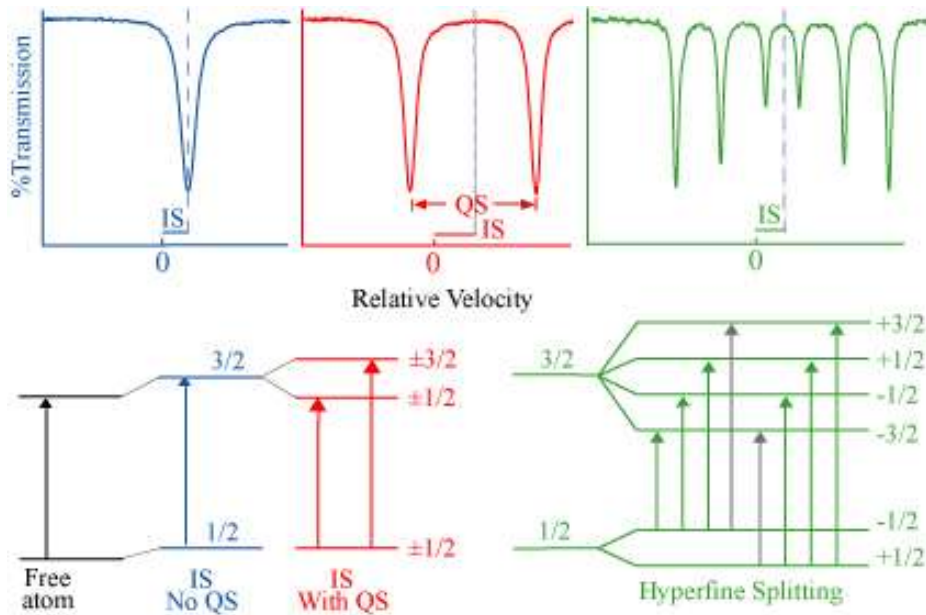


$$\Delta E = \hbar/\tau$$

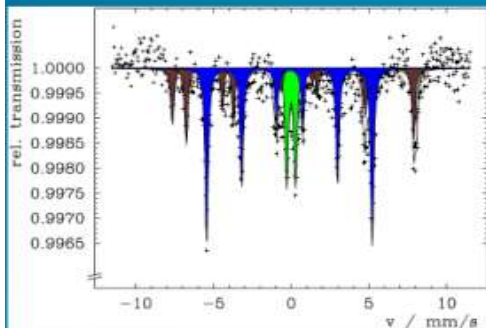
$$^{57}\text{Fe}: \tau = 140 \text{ ns} \Rightarrow \Delta E = 5 \text{ neV}$$

$$\Delta E/E = 3 \cdot 10^{-13}$$

Hyperfine interactions



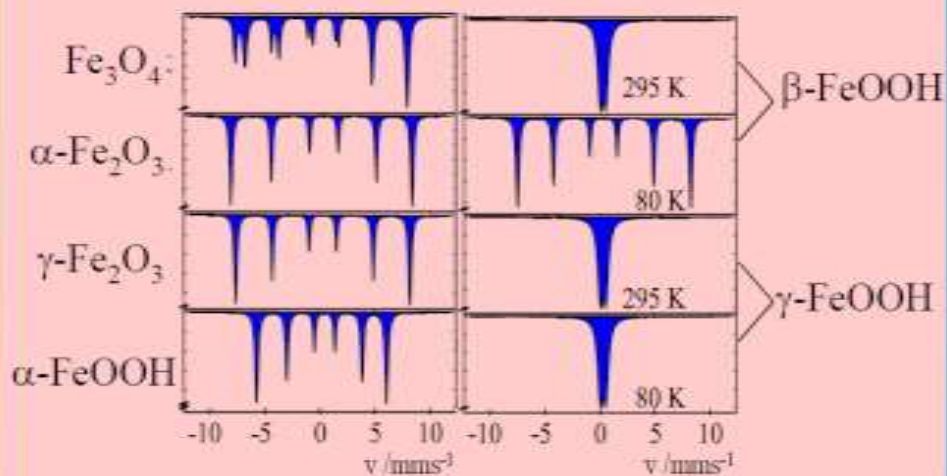
^{57}Fe Mössbauer Spectrum of a 50 Euro Bill



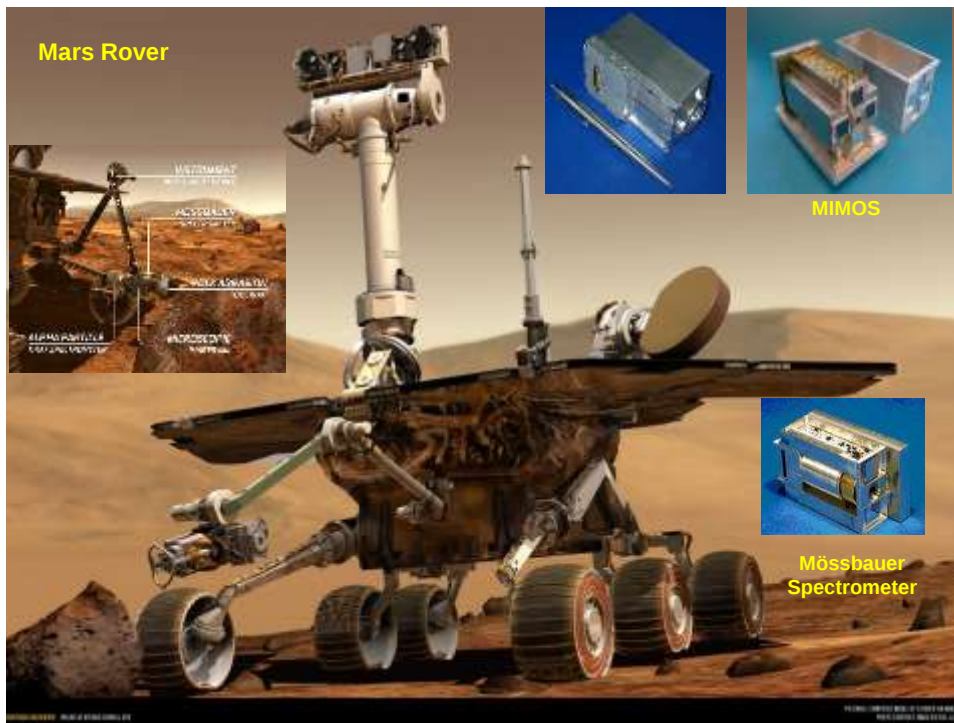
Constituents	area-/%
α Iron	48
Magnetite	36
doublet	16

Philipp Gütlich (Univ. Mainz)

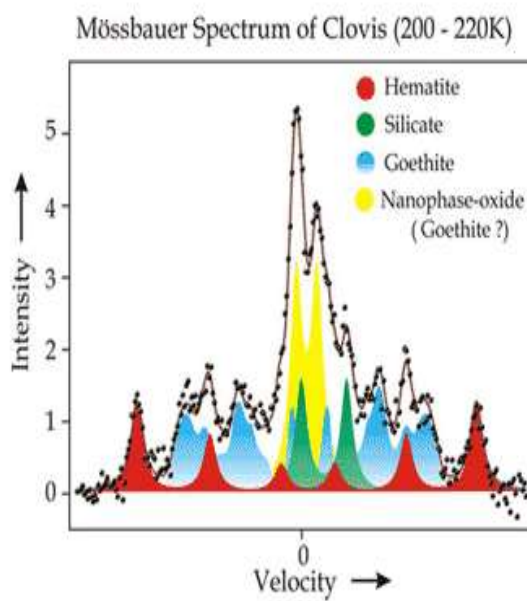
^{57}Fe Mössbauer Spectra of Corrosion Products



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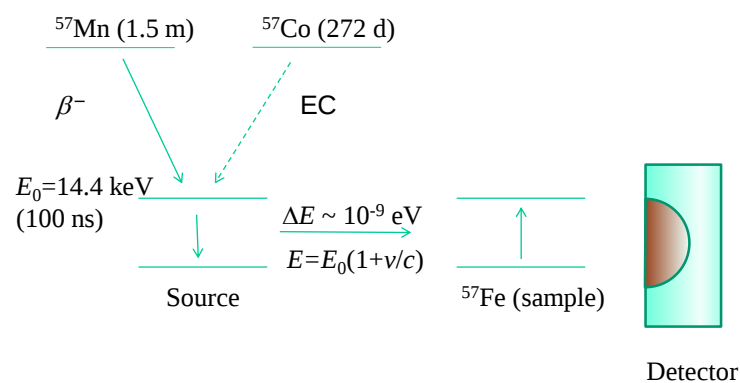
Nuclear method proofs water was on Mars



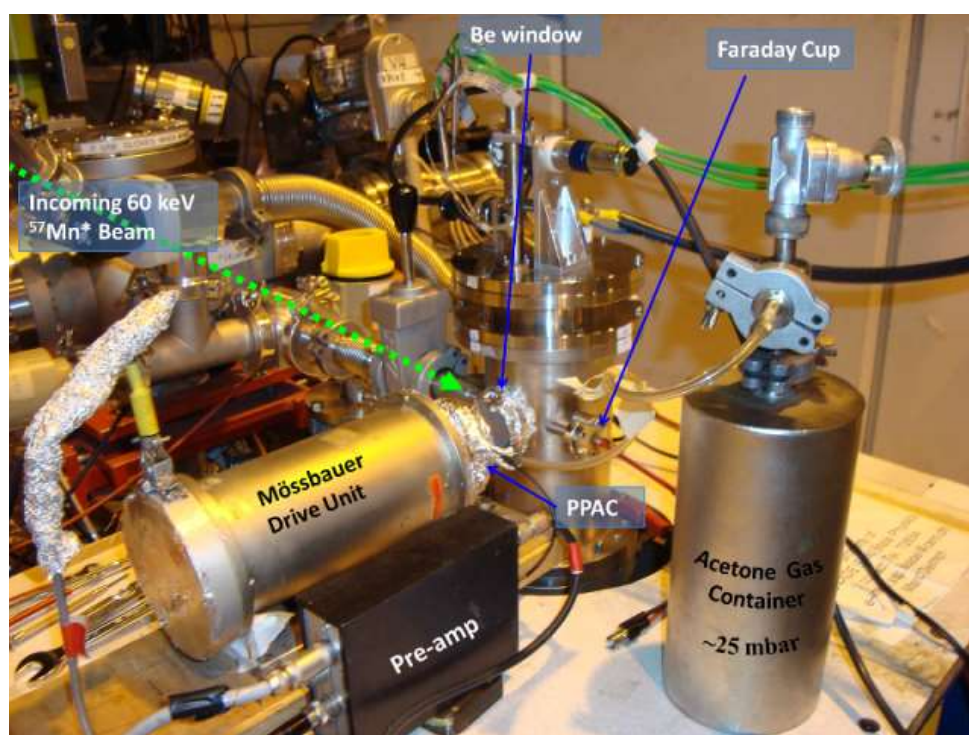
Goethite contains hydroxyl (OH^-) as a part of its structure.

→ water

Emission Mössbauer spectroscopy at ISOLDE



^{57}Mn vs. ^{57}Co : 260000 times higher specific activity
Much lower concentration of source atoms
Study of truly dilute impurities at sub ppm-level



Promising semiconductors

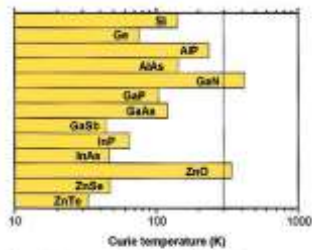
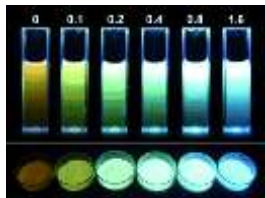


Fig. 3. Computed values of Curie temperature T_c for various p-type semiconductors containing 5% of Mn and 3% of Fe.

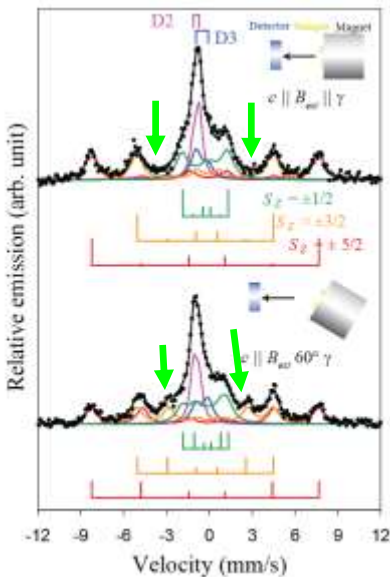
Dietl et al, Science 287

Is it possible to create magnetic semiconductors that work at room temperature?
Such devices have been demonstrated at low temperatures but not yet in a range warm enough for spintronics applications.



Wide-band gap semiconductors (ZnO, not cocaine)

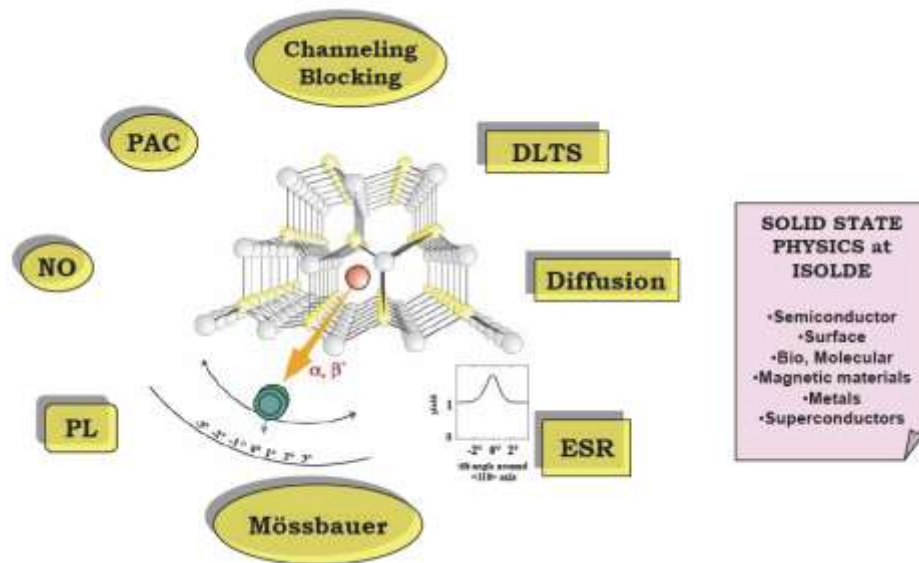
Mn/Fe implanted into ZnO



Only paramagnetism observed (precipitation of metal impurities?).

H.P. Gunnlaugsson et al.
Appl Phys Lett 97, 1 (2010)

Solid-state physics with nuclear probes

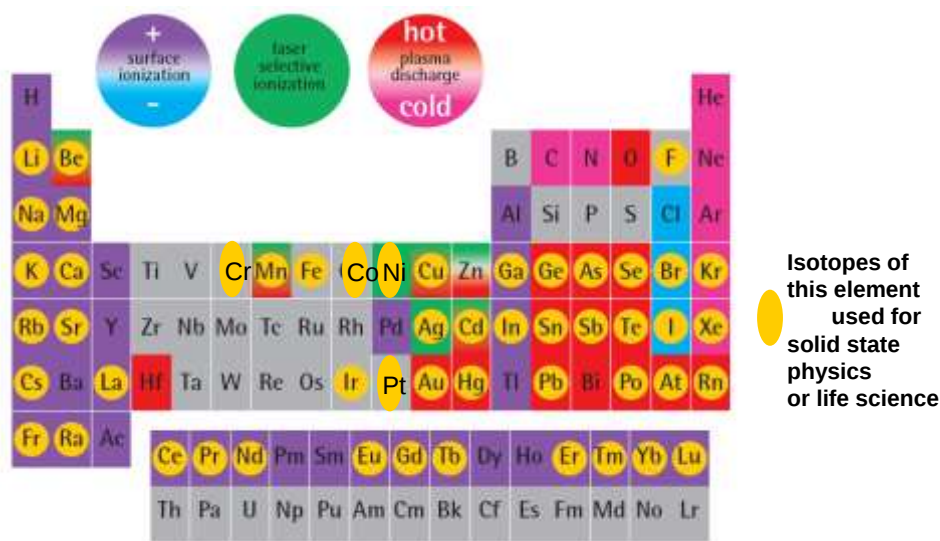


Doris Forkel-Wirth, Rep. Prog. Phys. 62 (1999) 527.

RIBs for nuclear solid state physics

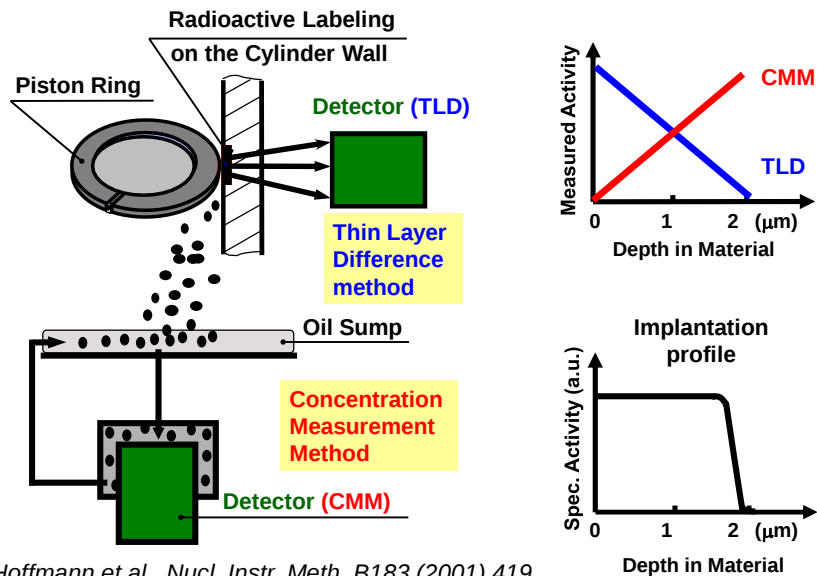
- (radioactive) ion implantation allows doping of nearly any matrix, irrespective of solubility, chemical compatibility, diffusion coefficient,... $\Rightarrow$ **universal**
- specific elements/isotopes are required
 $\Rightarrow$ often **not “easy” elements**
- generally **longer-lived isotopes** closer to stability
 $\Rightarrow$ less challenging for target/ion source
 $\Rightarrow$ can be populated by decay of “easy” beam
 $\Rightarrow$ can sometimes be implanted in parallel to other experiment with ISOLDE GPS
- implantation energy often less important (recoil implantation possible)
- emission channeling needs small beam focus
- beam purity required to limit implantation damage

Periodic table of ISOLDE beams



RIBs for materials science

High sensitivity wear measurements



M. Hoffmann et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. B183 (2001) 419.

P. Fehsenfeld et al., Nucl. Phys. A701 (2002) 235c.

⁷Be for wear analysis

Material	Density g/cm ³	Wear rate μm/10 ⁶ cyc.	Implant. depth in μm at beam energy of:				
			60 keV	260 keV	1.2 MeV	6 MeV	15 MeV
UHMWPE	0.97	50	0.36	1.1	2.9	13	43
Ti	4.52		0.17	0.56	1.5	6.1	18
CoCrMo	8.28		0.11	0.39	1.1	4.1	12
Alumina	3.1	0.15	0.20	0.59	1.6	6.7	21
Zirconia	5.5		0.15	0.48	1.3	5.3	16

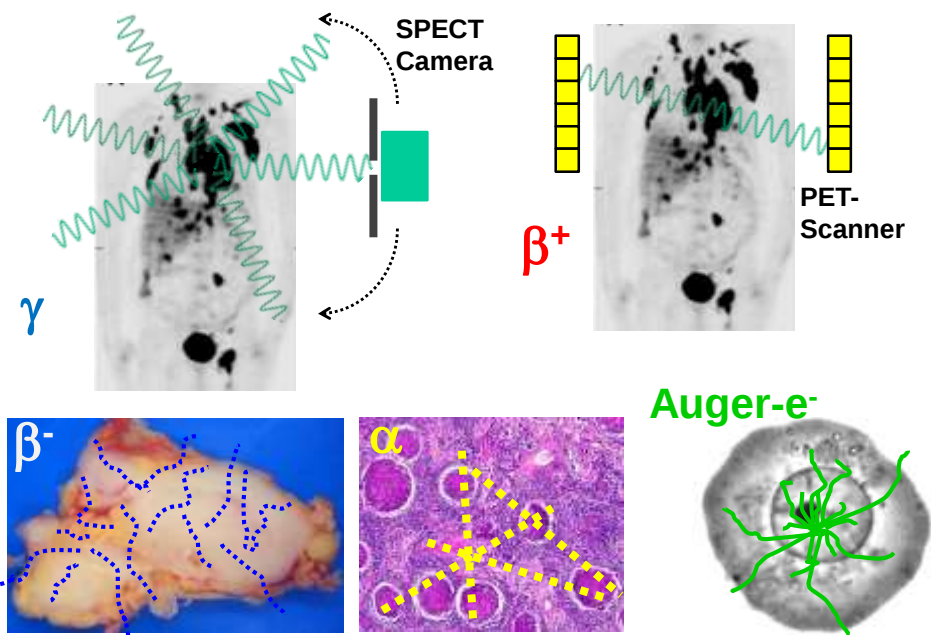


In-vivo use: $\approx 10^6$ cycles/year
 Simulator runs: $(2-10) \cdot 10^6$ cycles

Required dose: some pA per cm² (e.g. ball of 22-28 mm diameter)

⁷Be is the optimum radiotracer for tribology!

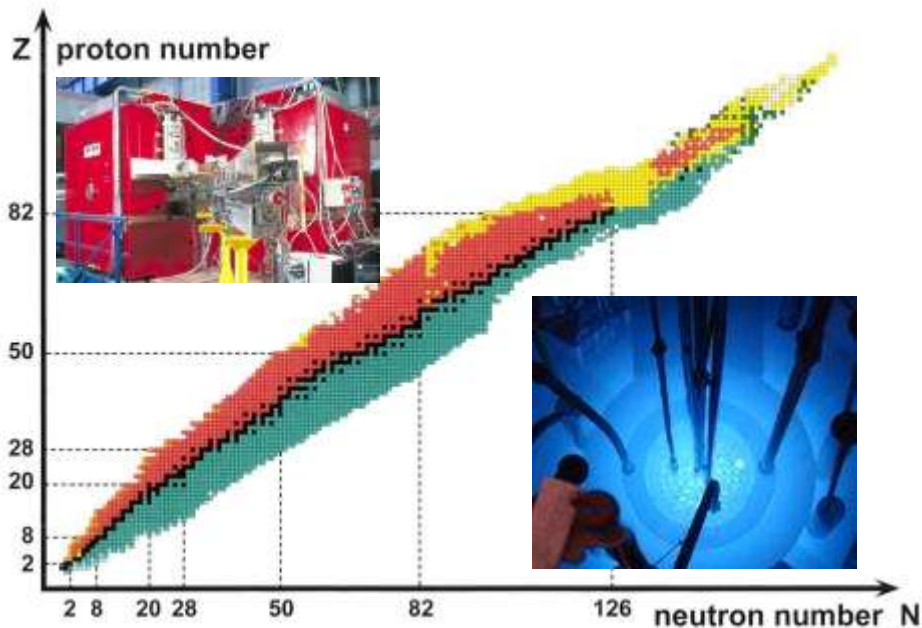
The Nuclear Medicine Alphabet



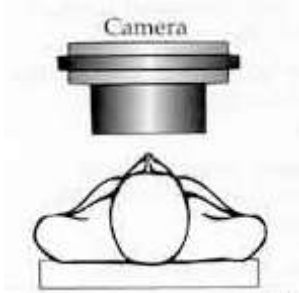
The Tordesillas meridian



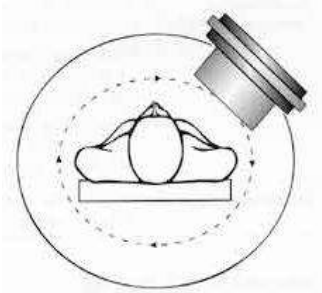
The Tordesillas meridian of radioisotope production



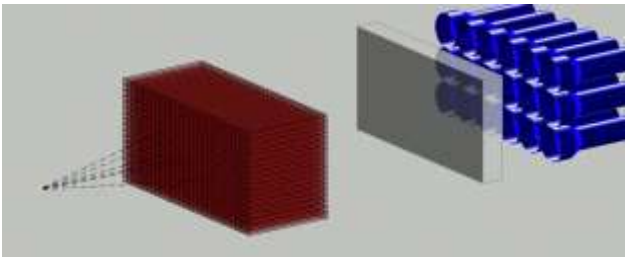
Gamma camera and SPECT



2D: planar scan

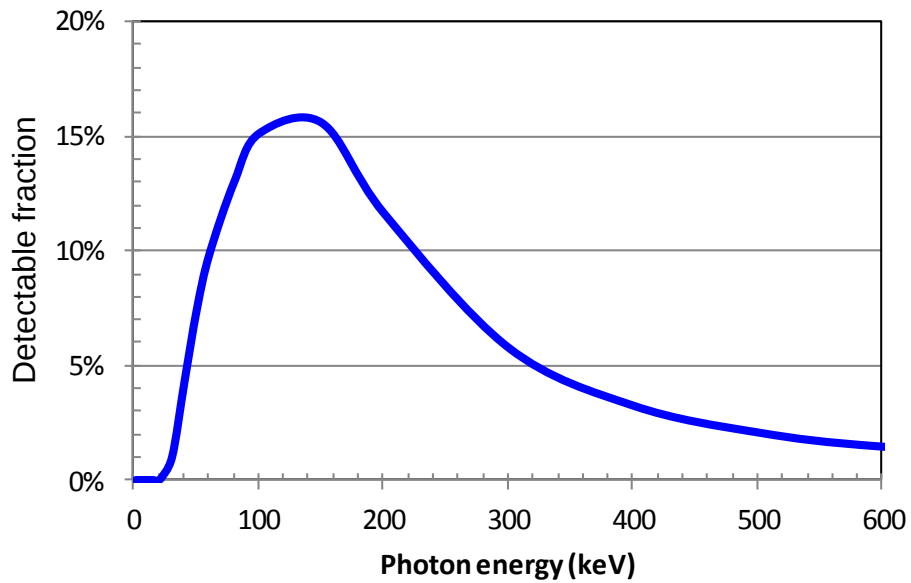


3D: SPECT: Single Photon Emission Computer Tomography



$E_\gamma > 60 \text{ keV}$
 $E_\gamma < 300 \text{ keV}$

Ideal gamma ray energy for SPECT

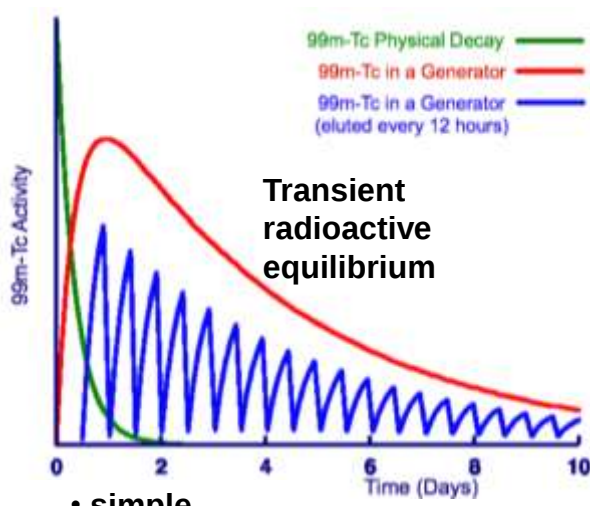


^{99m}Tc: ideal for SPECT and gamma cameras

Ru 98 1.87	Ru 99 12.76	Ru 100 12.60	Ru 101 17.06	Ru 102 31.55
$\sigma < 8$	$\sigma 4$	$\sigma 5.8$	$\sigma 5$	$\sigma 1.2$
Tc 97 92.2 d $4.0 \cdot 10^6$ a $t_{1/2}(97)$ β^- no γ	Tc 98 $4.2 \cdot 10^6$ a $\beta^- 0.4$ $\gamma 745; 652$ $\sigma 0.9 + ?$	Tc 99 6.0 h $2.1 \cdot 10^5$ a $t_{1/2} 141...$ β^- $\gamma (322, 1)$ $\sigma 23$	Tc 100 15.8 s $\beta^- 3.4...$ ϵ $\gamma 540; 591...$	Tc 101 14.2 m $\beta^- 1.3...$ $\gamma 307; 545...$
Mo 96 16.68 $\sigma 0.5$	Mo 97 9.56 $\sigma 2.5$ $\sigma 0, \alpha 4E-7$	Mo 98 24.19 $\sigma 0.14$	Mo 99 66.0 h $\beta^- 1.2...$ $\gamma 740; 182;$ 778... m; g	Mo 100 9.67 $1.15 \cdot 10^{19}$ a $2\beta^-$ $\sigma 0.19$

- IT with 89% 140.5 keV gamma ray, $T_{1/2} = 6$ h
- decays to quasi-stable daughter
- ^{99m}Tc fed in 88% of β^- decays of ⁹⁹Mo, $T_{1/2} = 66$ h
- produces nearly carrier-free product

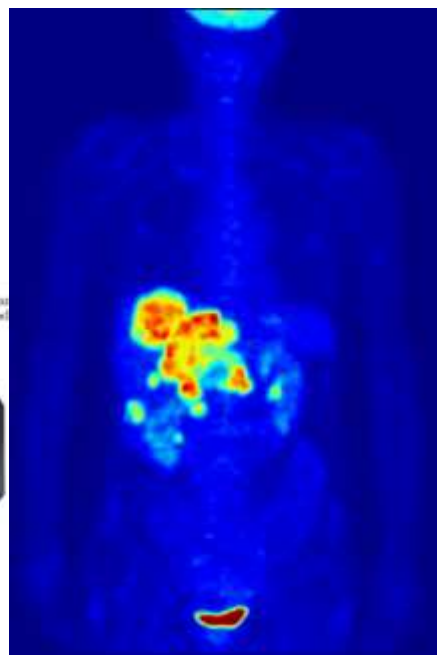
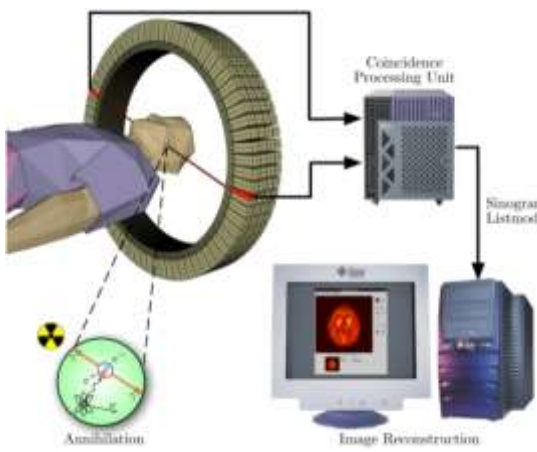
$^{99}\text{Mo}/^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ generator



- simple
- reliable
- portable
- self-shielded

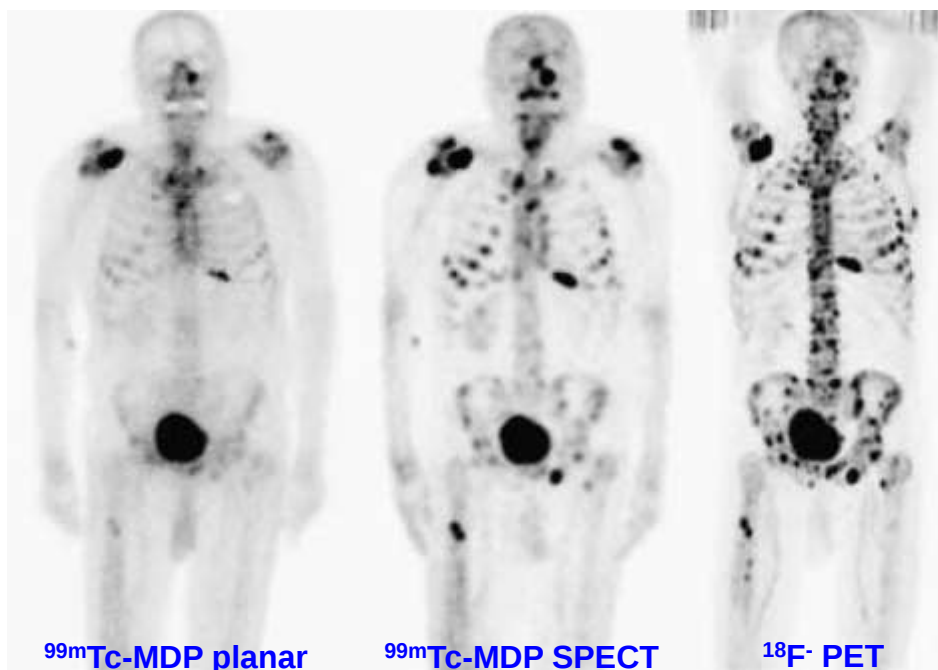


Positron Emission Tomography



PET isotopes

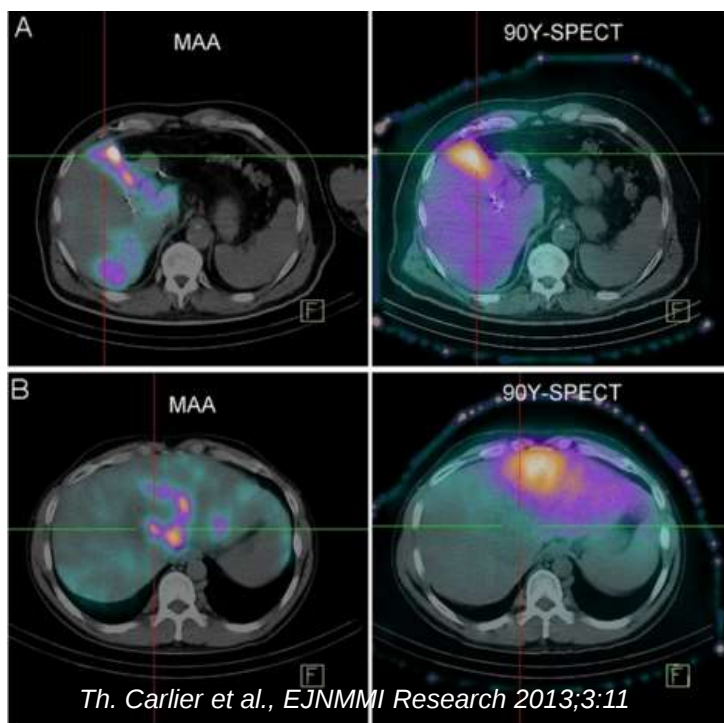
Radio-nuclide	Half-life (h)	Intensity β^+ (%)	E mean (MeV)	Range (mm)
C-11	0.34	99.8	0.39	1.3
N-13	0.17	99.8	0.49	1.8
O-15	0.03	99.9	0.74	3.2
F-18	1.83	96.7	0.25	0.7
Ga-68	1.13	89.1	0.83	3.8
Rb-82	0.02	95.4	3.38	20



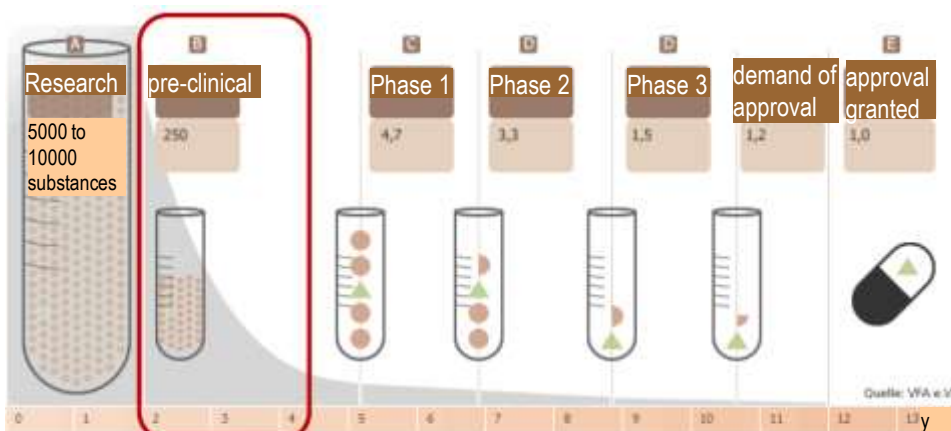
Even-Sapir E et al., *J Nucl Med* 2006; 47:287.

Isotope	Approximate Percentage
99mTc	75%
PET	15%
201Tl	5%
131I	3%
123I	2%
Other	0%

Zr 90 51.45 $\sigma \sim 0.014$	Zr 91 11.22 $\sigma \sim 1.2$	
Y 89 16 s $\sigma \sim 0.001 + 1.25$	Y 90 3.19 h 64.1 h $t_{1/2} 203$ $t_{1/2} 480 \dots$ $\beta^- \dots$ $\gamma (2186 \dots)$ $\sigma < 6.5$	



Development of pharmaceuticals



Screening in vitro tests
animal exp.

tests with humans

toxicity
side effects

wanted effect

comparison
with standard

20-80 healthy volunteers 100-300 patients x00-x000 patients

Pre-clinical studies (1)



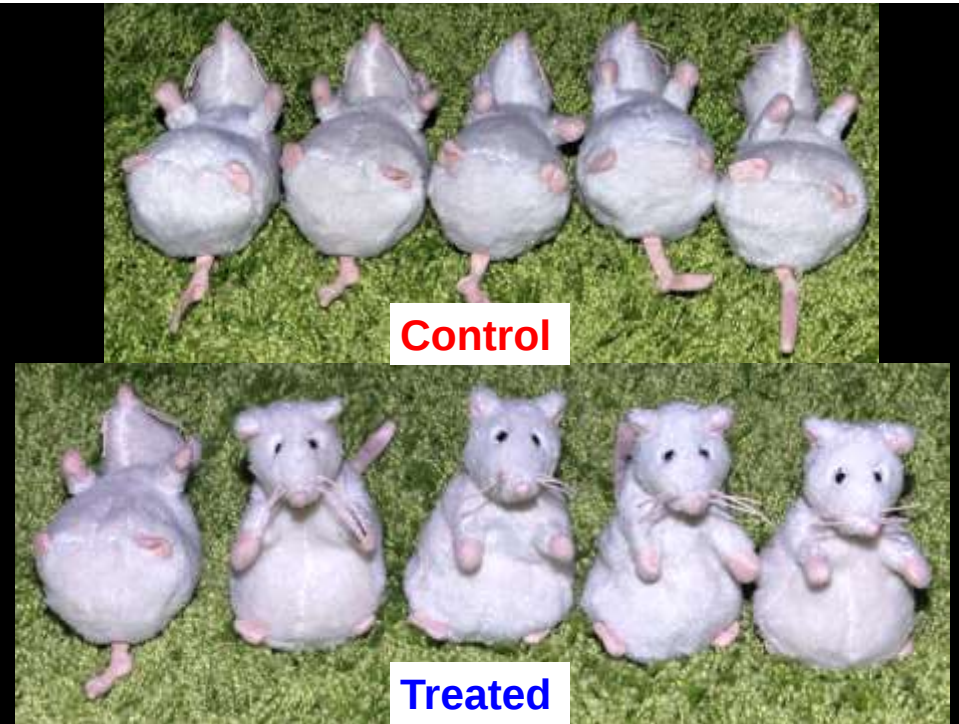
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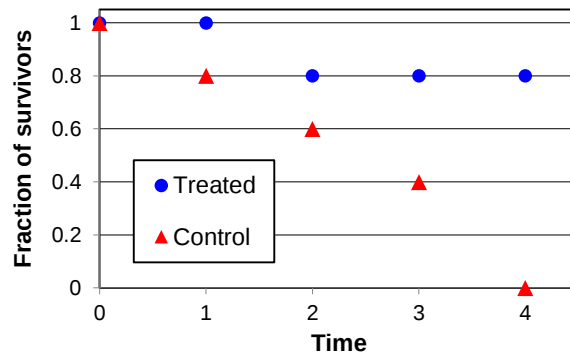
Pre-clinical studies (3)







Survival curve



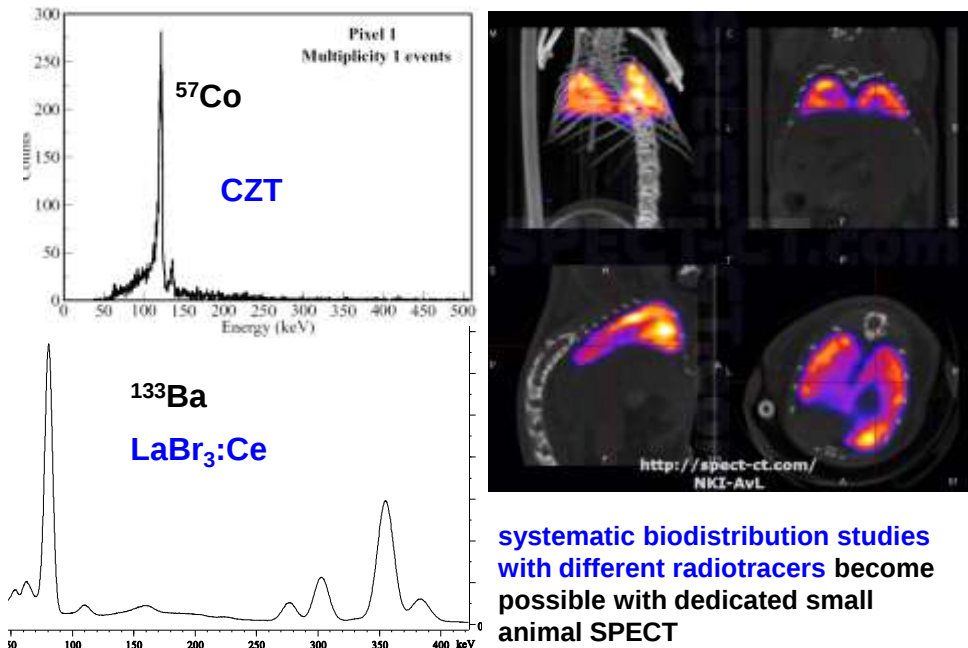
- medium survival time, median survival time, survival benefit
- shows final benefit but not detailed mechanism
- more information from **bio-distribution studies**
- preferentially **on-line with suitable radiotracers** and small animal SPECT or PET



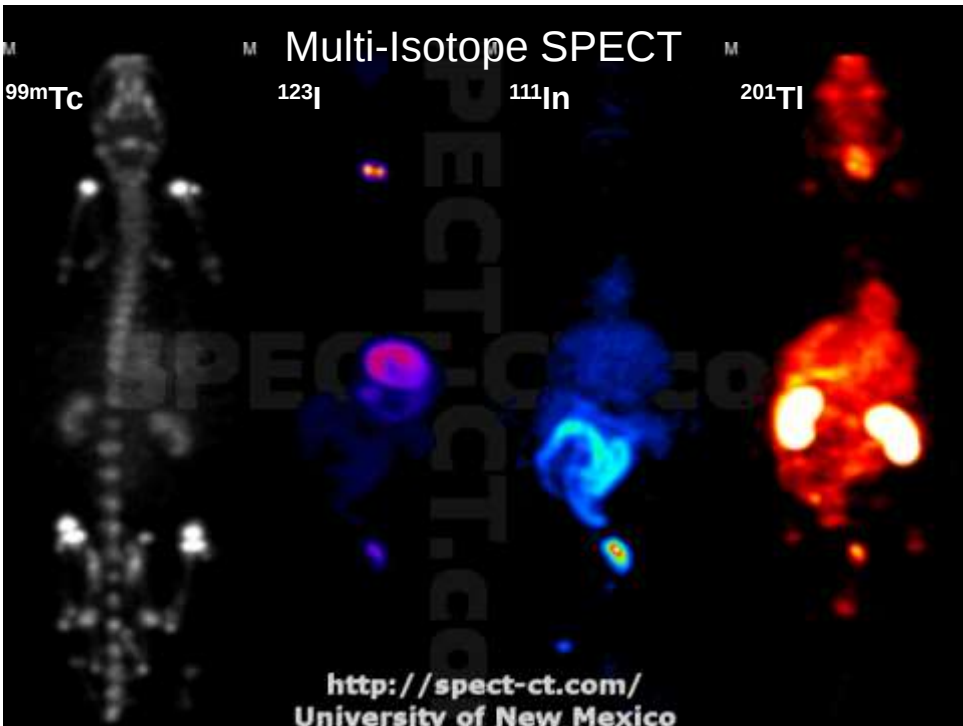
Small animal imaging

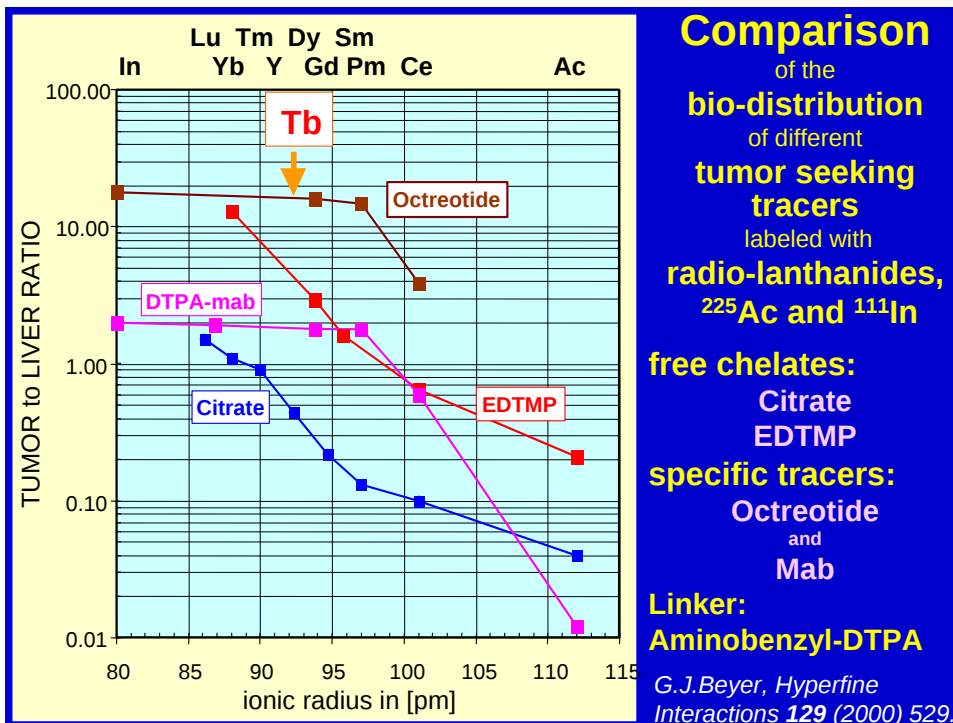


New generation of small animal SPECT



systematic biodistribution studies with different radiotracers become possible with dedicated small animal SPECT





Cancer and efficiency of treatments

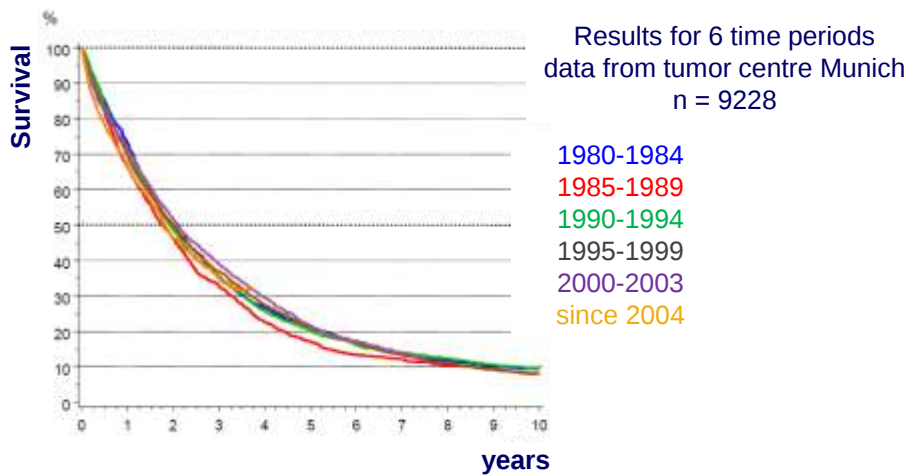
At time of diagnosis	Primary tumor	With metastases	Total
Diagnosed	58%	42%	100%
Cured by:			
Surgery	22%		
Radiation therapy	12%		
Surgery+radiation therapy	6%		
All other treatments and combinations incl. chemotherapy		5%	
Fraction cured	69%	12%	45%

Over **one million deaths per year** from cancer in EU.

- ⇒ improve early diagnosis
- ⇒ improve systemic treatments

Mammary Carcinoma

Survival time since diagnosis of metastases

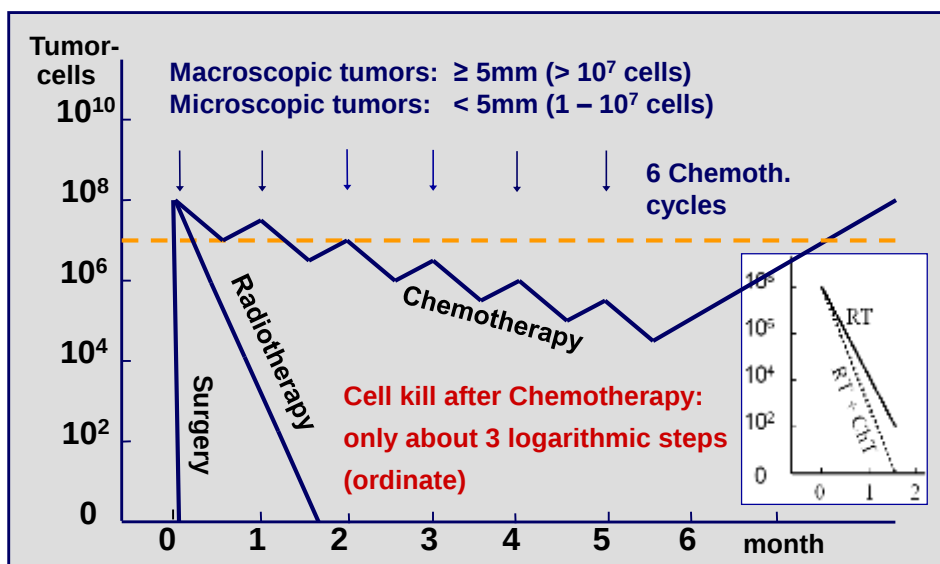


Klinik und Poliklinik für Strahlentherapie und Radiologische Onkologie

Prof. Molls



Comparison of Therapies



(Molls, TU München; according to Tannock: Lancet 1998, Nature 2006)



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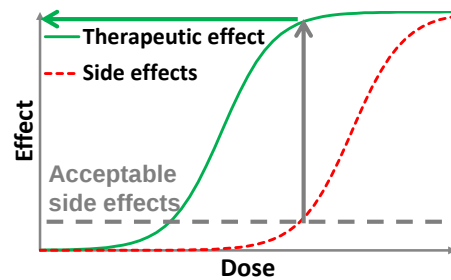
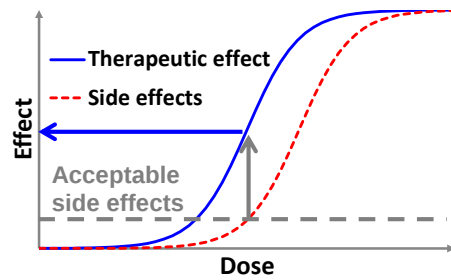
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Targeted therapies



Paracelsus (1493-1541)
“All things are poison, and
nothing is without poison;
only the dose permits something
not to be poisonous.”



Selective targeting is essential
to widen the therapeutic window!

Learning from history

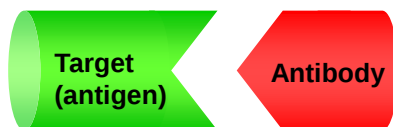


The principle of targeted therapies

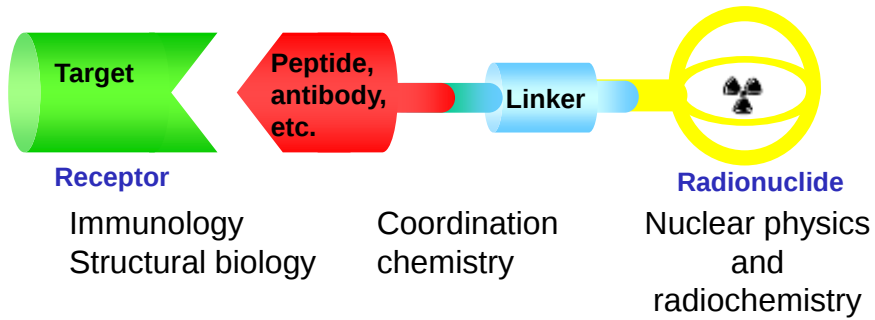
- “attractive” vector > high uptake by the target
- transportable
- good in-vivo stability
- warriors “not visible”
- delayed uptake > suitable half-life
- limited space > high specific activity
- optimum arms
- specific



Immunology approach

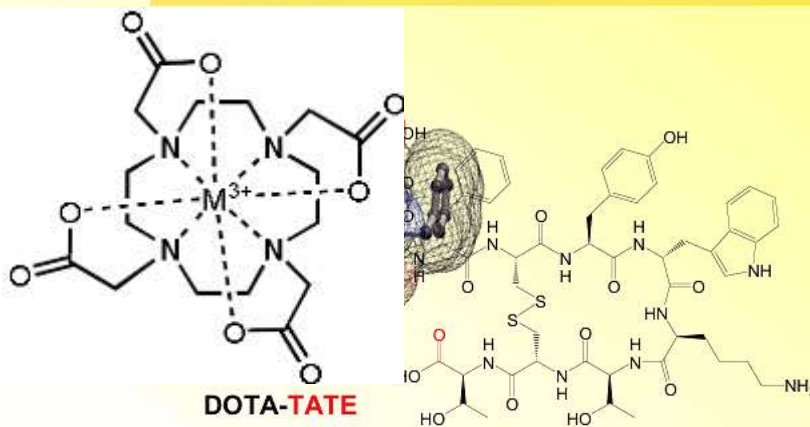


Multidisciplinary collaboration to fight cancer



Nuclear medicine and medical physics

Structural Formula of DOTA-TOC/TATE



1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecantetraacetate

^{111}In ^{90}Y
 ^{67}Ga ^{177}Lu
 ^{68}Ga ^{213}Bi

$\text{IC}_{50} (\text{Y}^{\text{III}}) = 1.6 \pm 0.4 \text{ nM}$

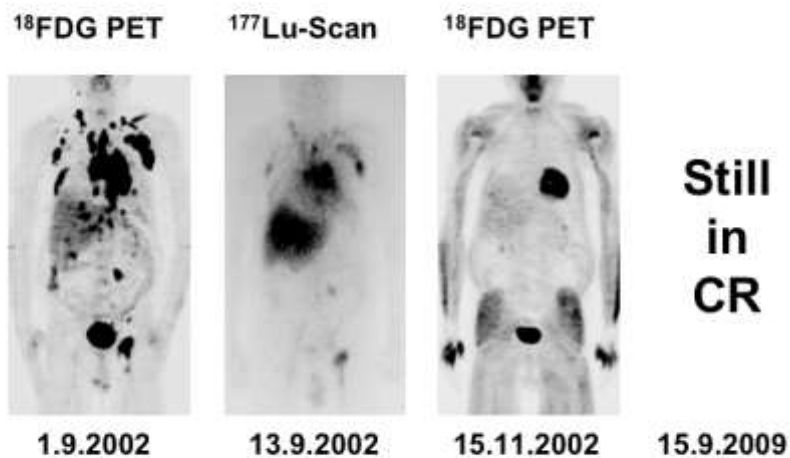
Helmut Maecke, EANM-2007.

	Male 36 years of age Small cell pancreatic neuroendocrine tumour Liver metastases Ki-67 index 10-15% (liver biopsy)
	4 cycles with ^{177}Lu-octreotate and capecitabine Partial remission

Roelf Valkema, EANM-2008.

Lymphoma therapy: RITUXIMAB+ ^{177}Lu

E.B., 1941 (m): UPN 6



F. Forrer et al., J Nucl Med 2013;54:1045.



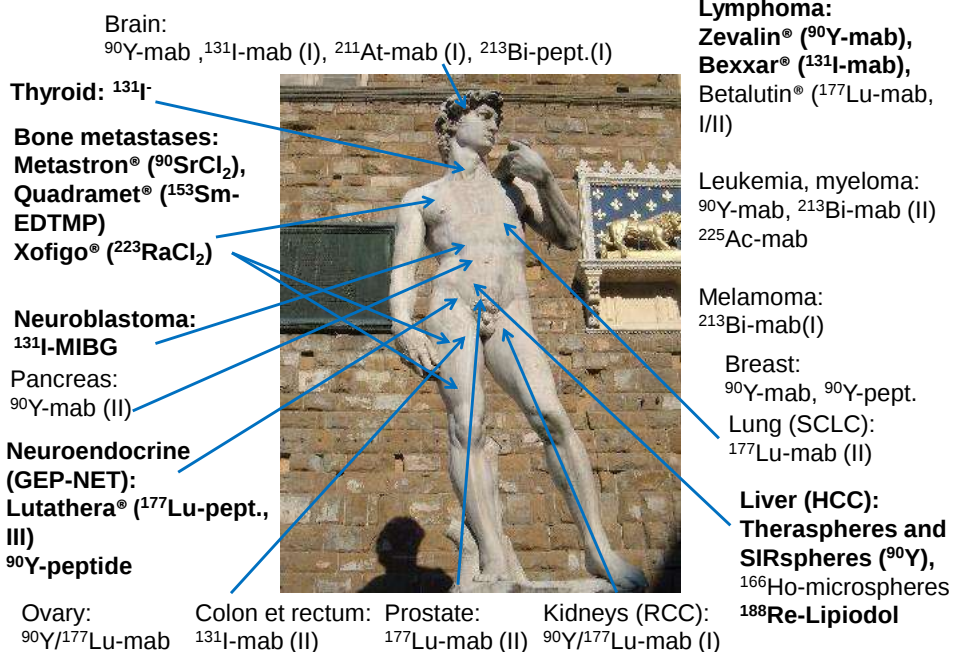
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The rising star for therapy



Radiopharmaceuticals for targeted therapy: clinical use



Radionuclides for RIT and PRRT

Radio-nuclide	Half-life	E mean (keV)	Eγ (B.R.) (keV)	Range	
Y-90	64 h	934 β	-	12 mm	cross-fire ↑ Established isotopes Emerging isotopes R&D isotopes: supply-limited! ↓ localized
I-131	8 days	182 β	364 (82%)	3 mm	
Lu-177	7 days	134 β	208 (10%) 113 (6%)	2 mm	
Tb-161	7 days	154 β 5, 17, 40 e ⁻	75 (10%)	2 mm 1-30 μm	
Tb-149	4.1 h	3967 α	165,..	25 μm	
Ge-71	11 days	8 e ⁻	-	1.7 μm	
Er-165	10.3 h	5.3 e ⁻	-	0.6 μm	

Modern, better targeted bioconjugates require shorter-range radiation ⇒ need for adequate (R&D) radioisotope supply.

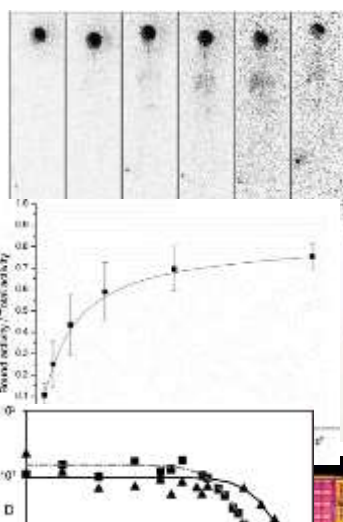
Isotopes for targeted alpha therapy



Astatine: a chemical hybrid – halogen/metalloid



Astatine (bio-)chemistry ?



in vivo

73 MBq ^{211}At -ch81C6
 γ camera images with 77-92 keV X-rays
M. Zalutsky et al., J. Nucl. Med. 49 (2008) 30.

in vitro

S.H. Cunningham et al., Br. J. Cancer 77 (1998) 2061.
S.H.L. Frost et al., Cancer 116 (2010) 1101.
J. Champion et al., J. Chem. Phys. A114 (2010) 576.

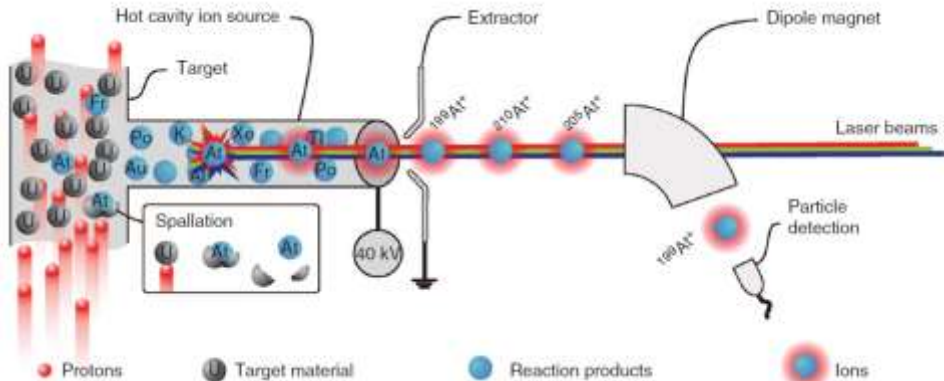
in silico

J. Champion et al., PCCP 13 (2011) 14984.



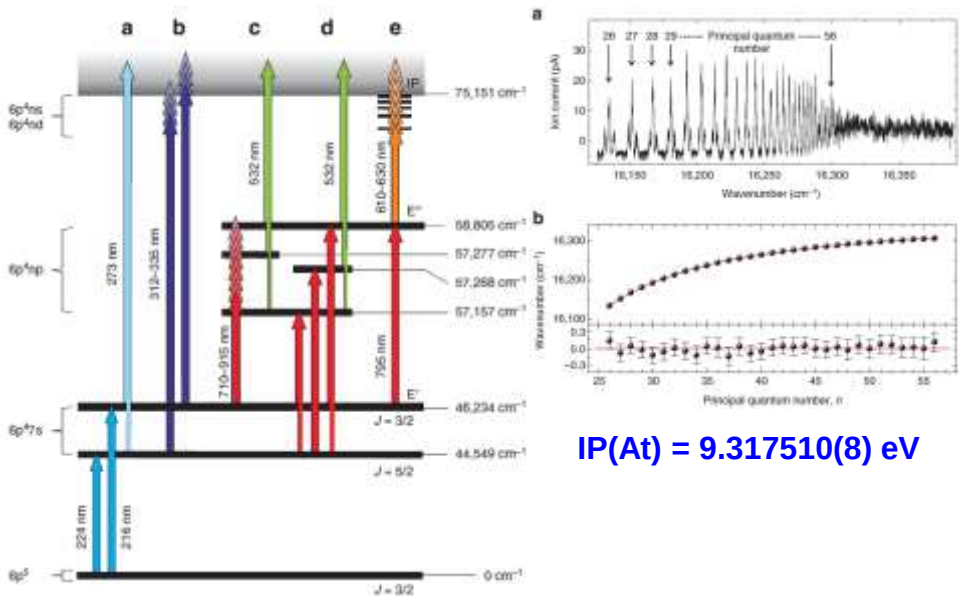
Atomic spectroscopy of astatine

Author	Year	Method	IP (eV)
Finkelburg <i>et al.</i> ¹⁰	1950	Extrapolation	9.5(2)
Varshni <i>et al.</i> ¹¹	1953	Extrapolation	10.4
Finkelburg <i>et al.</i> ¹²	1955	Extrapolation	9.2(4)
Kiser <i>et al.</i> ¹³	1960	Extrapolation	9.5
Mitin <i>et al.</i> ¹⁴	2006	HF	9.24
Chang <i>et al.</i> ¹⁵	2010	MCDF, up-shift	9.35(1)



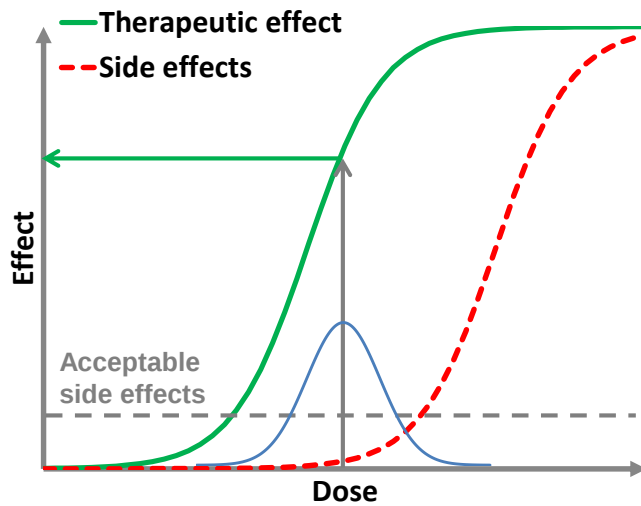
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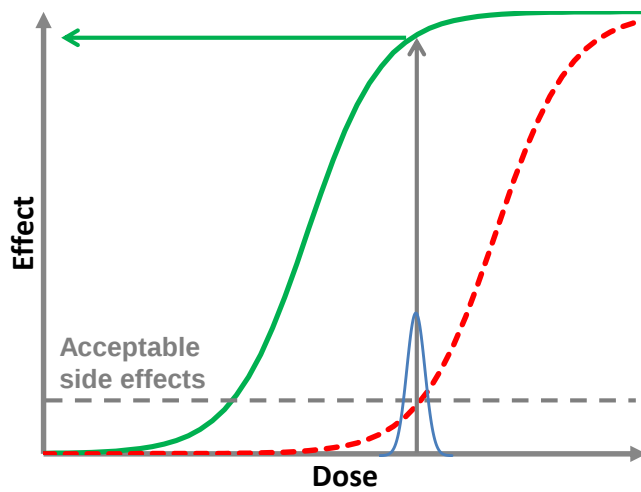
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Theranostics



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Terbium: a unique element for nuclear medicine

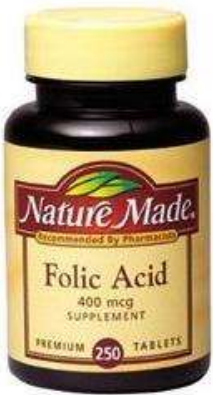


Folate-receptor positive cancers



Frequent overexpression of folate receptor in cancer of:

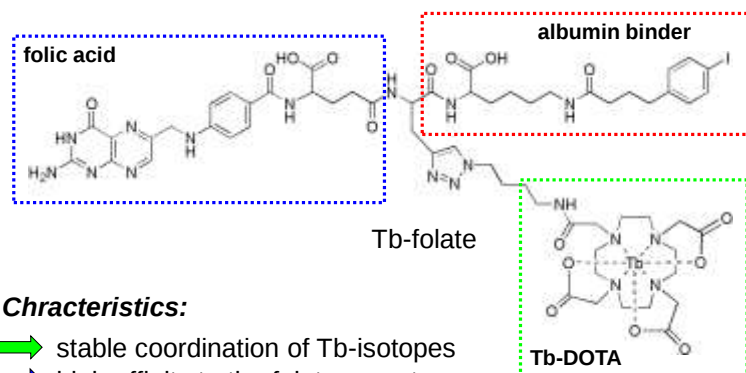
- ovaries
- cervix uteri
- lung
- kidney
- brain
- colon
- breast
- leukemia



folic acid = vitamine B9

C. Müller, Curr. Pharmaceut. Design 2012;18:1058.

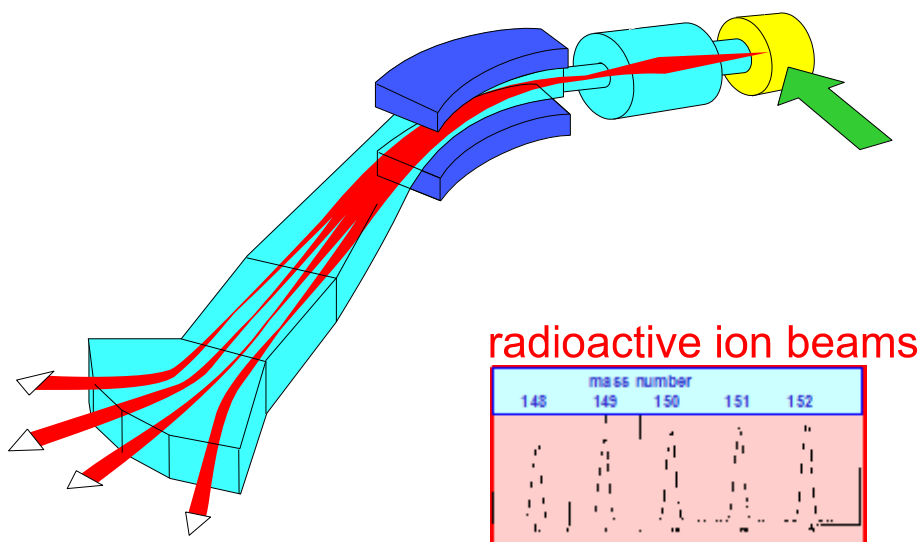
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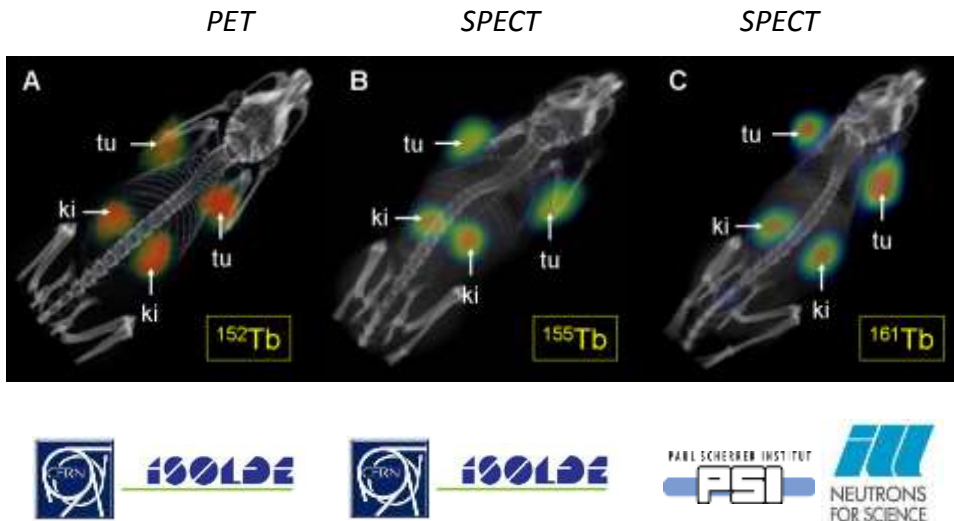
Characteristics:

- stable coordination of Tb-isotopes
- high affinity to the folate receptor
- prolonged blood circulation time

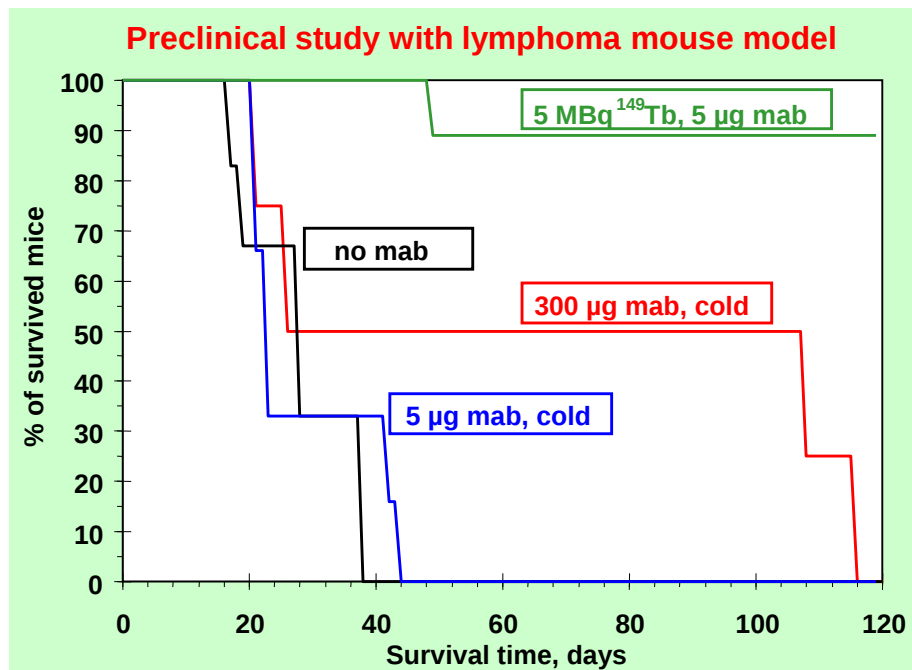
Production of ^{149}Tb , ^{152}Tb and ^{155}Tb at ISOLDE



Theranostics with terbium isotopes



ISS28 Collaboration: C. Müller et al., *J. Nucl. Med.* 2012;53:1951.



G.J. Beyer et al., *Eur J Nucl Med Molec Imaging* 2004;31:547.



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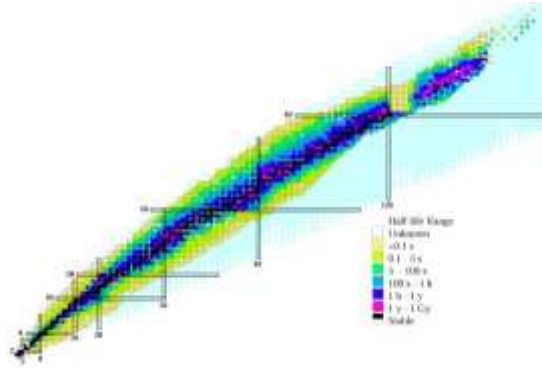
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Paracelsus (1493-1541)
“Many have said of Alchemy, that it is for the making of gold and silver. For me such is not the aim, but to consider only what virtue and power may lie in medicines.”
 (Edwardes)



500 years later:
“Many have said of nuclear physics, that it is for the making of gold and silver isotopes (plus Ca, Ni, No, etc.). For me such is not the only aim, but also to consider what virtue and power may lie in it for medicine.”

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