

# The activity in Firenze

**EXPERIMENT NAME: GAMMA**

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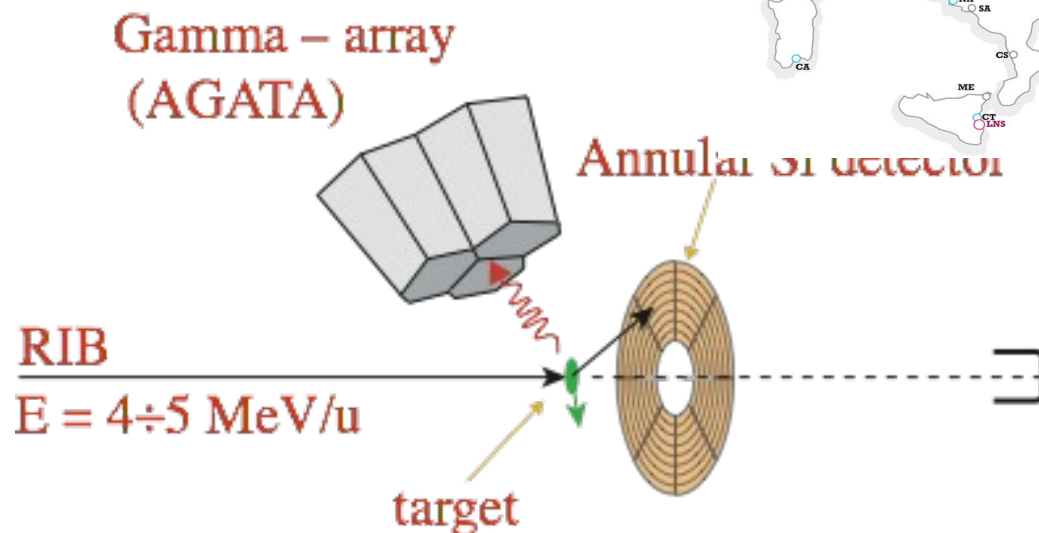
**A. Nannini INFN Firenze**

**Coulomb excitation:**  
powerful type of  
experiments to study  
nuclear levels. First-day  
**SPES** experiments (possible  
even with low currents)

**Thesis available:**

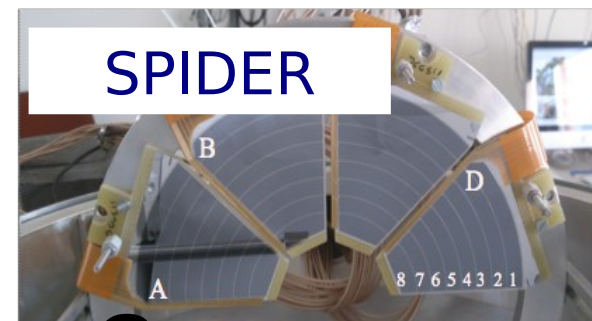
CoulEx setup for SPES experiments

Data analysis and model comparisons



## A simple Set-up

- Ge crystals for gammas and
- Segmented Silicon detectors for projectile or target detection



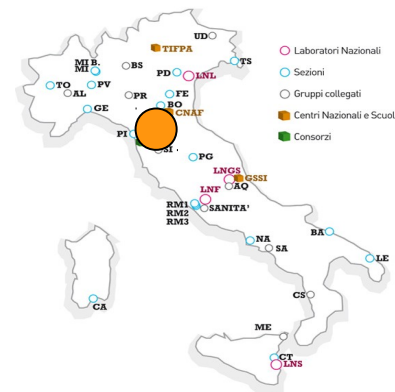
**Gamma  
spectroscopy**

# The activity in Firenze

**EXPERIMENT NAME: NUCLEX/FAZIA**



Strong overlap  
with LNL,  
Bologna, Naples



## CONTACTS:

**G.C. INFN Firenze**

**S. Piantelli INFN Fi**

**G.Pasquali Uni Fi**

**S. Barlini Uni and INFN Fi**

+ International collaborations

## SHORTLY:

- Isospin relaxation and **nuclear EOS**
- **Clustering** in nuclei
- From evaporating to multifragmenting systems
- Experiments with the **GARFIELD** array (LNL) and the advanced **FAZIA** array for ion identification
- **Fast sampling electronics** and ion identification
- Advanced detectors for charge particles



Two modules of the  
**FAZIA** array

# Charged products and reactions

# The activity in Firenze

**EXPERIMENT NAME: NUCLEX/FAZIA**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
Experiments in various lab (LNL, LNS, GANIL)  
Detector tests, handling, mounting  
Digital algorithm developments  
Data analysis and MC simulations  
DAQ developments

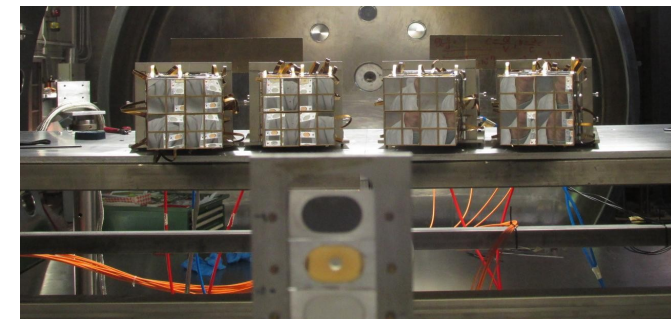
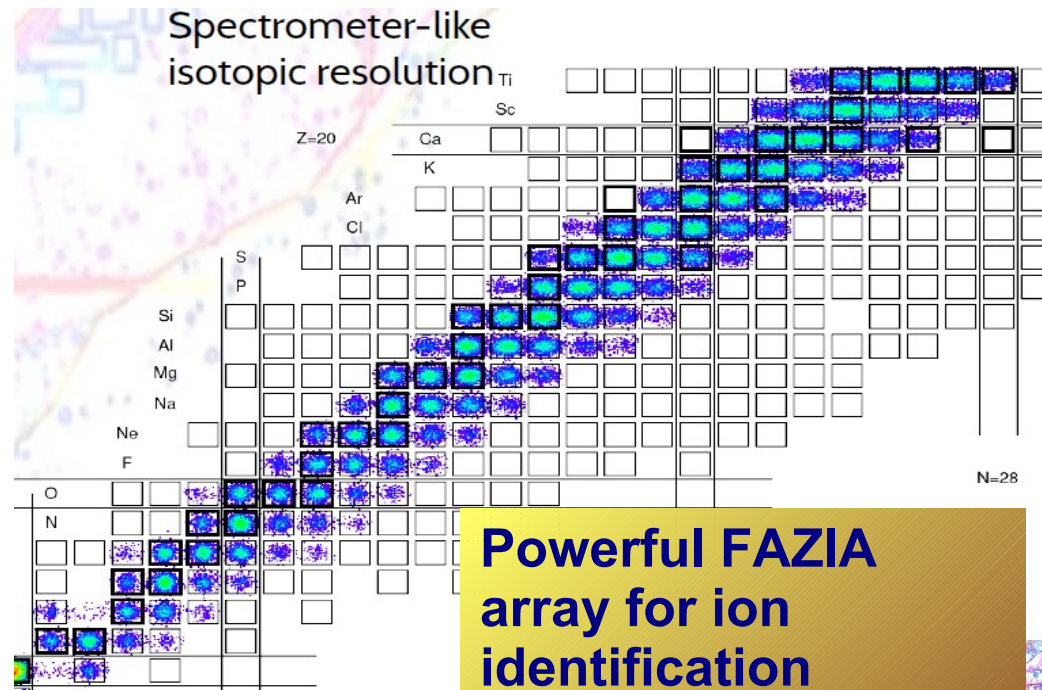
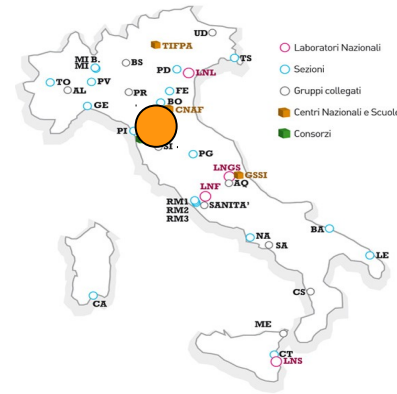
**Thesis available:**

- Isospin transport studies
- Clustering effects at LNL and LNS
- Fusion-fission reactions at LNL
- FAZIA experiments at GANIL (France)
- Digital filtering and Pulse shape analysis
- Detector developments and test



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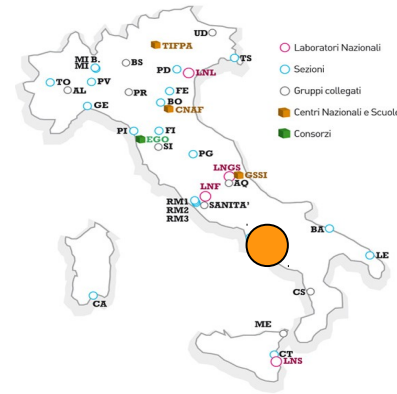
**M.Vigilante, Uni Napoli**

**I.Lombardo INFN and Uni Na**



Strong overlap  
with LNL,  
Bologna, **Frenze**

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**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
Digital Electronics development  
VHDL  
Hardware construction  
Data Analysis  
Acquisition systems

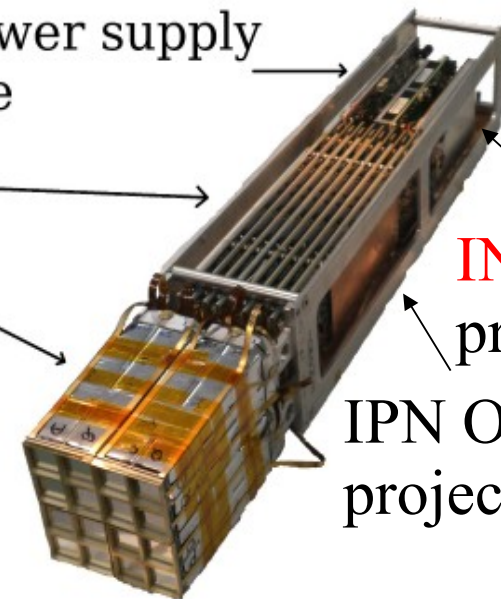
**Thesis available:**

Data analysis of FAZIA experiments  
Electronics developments  
DAQ systems  
MonteCarlo simulations for particle  
correlation studies

Block card, power supply  
and half bridge

FEE cards

Detectors



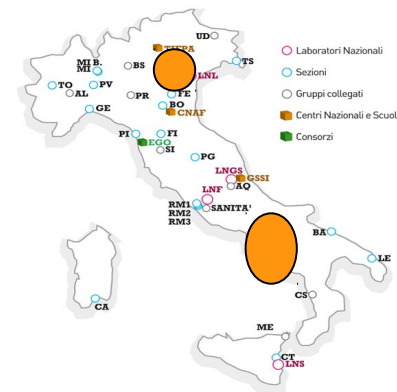
**INFN Naples**  
project

IPN Orsay  
project

**Charged  
products and  
reactions**



# The activity in Napoli



**EXPERIMENT NAME: EXOTIC**



Strong overlap  
with LNL, Padova

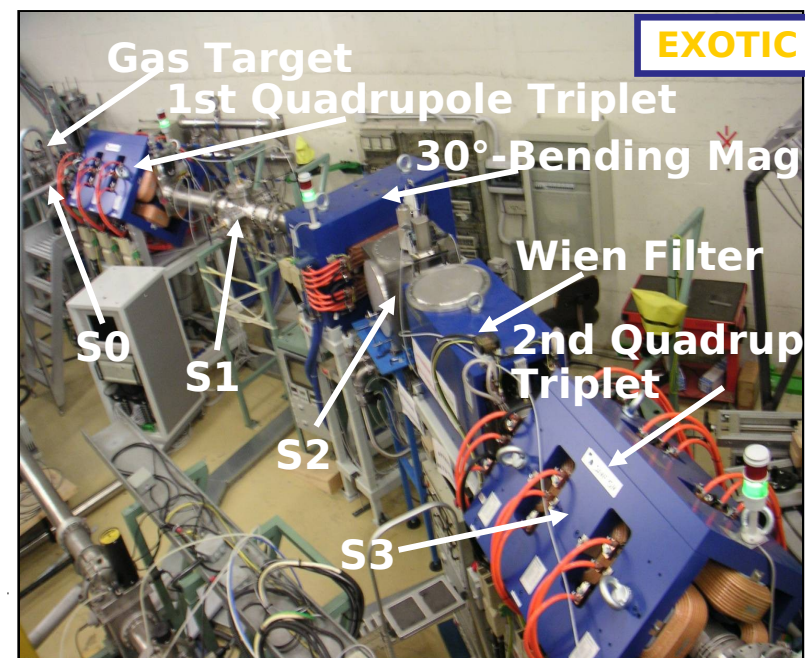
**CONTACTS:**

**D.Pierroutsakou, INFN Napoli**

in-flight inverse kinematics reactions  
induced by high intensity beams from  
the Legnaro Tandem on gas targets  
(p,d,3He).

**SHORTLY:**

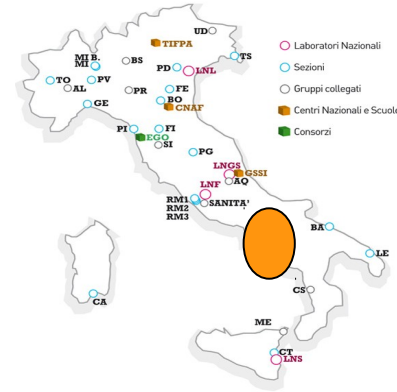
- Production line for **light exotic nuclei**
- Experiments with these ions
- Structure and interactions** of exotic species around the Coulomb Barrier
- **Dynamical collective resonances**
- Light particle segmented detectors



Production line installed at LNL

**RIBs: 17F, 7Be, 8B, 8Li, 15O**

# The activity in Napoli



**EXPERIMENT NAME: EXOTIC**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
Computing, simulations  
Beam production  
Gas target  
Nuclear structure and dynamics  
Detectors

**Structure and reaction of  
light-exotic beams**

**Experimental set up: EXPADES**  
(8 telescopes: IC+ 40  $\mu\text{m}$  DSSD +300  $\mu\text{m}$  DSSD)

**Thesis available:**

reaction mechanisms and structure of light  
exotic nuclei in experiments with the  
EXOTIC beam line

**Dynamical Dipole excitation  
(DD)** a pre-equilibrium Giant Dipole  
Resonance excitation in charge  
asymmetric heavy-ion reactions

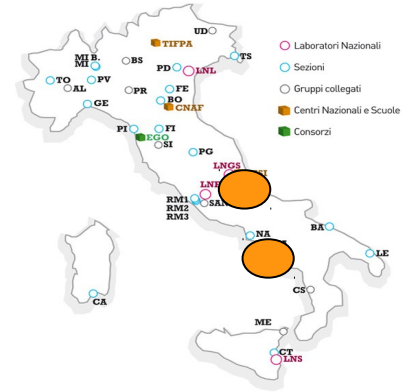
**Experimental set up:** detectors for  
high energy  $\gamma$ -rays, gas counters for  
fusion residue, telescopes for fragments

**Thesis available:**

**In future using SPES n-rich beams**

simulation of the best reactions to be  
studied by employing the SPES RIBs,  
combined with stable beams on  
different targets.

# The activity in Napoli



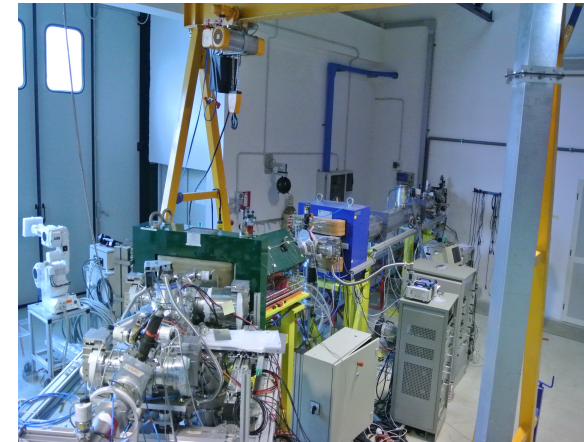
**Nuclear Astrophysics:** to measure extremely low cross sections of the nuclear processes that fuel the stars and characterise the nucleosynthesis.

Maximise S/N is extremely important.

Two approaches may be followed:

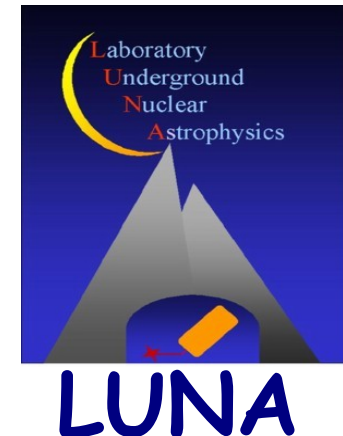
**Experiment name: ERNA** intern. collaboration

METHOD: **Kinematic signature of the events**  
→ Recoil separator.

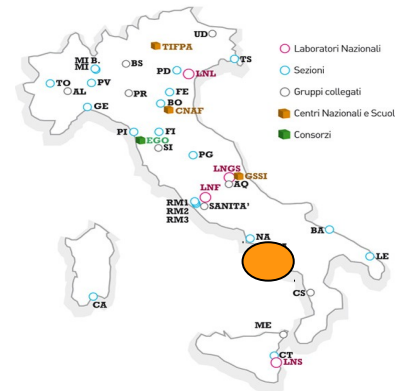


**Experiment name: LUNA** intern. collaboration

METHOD **Background minimization** → Underground experiments made under mountains in a silent location at LNGS.



# The activity in Napoli



Experiment name: **ERNA** intern. collaboration

## Contacts:

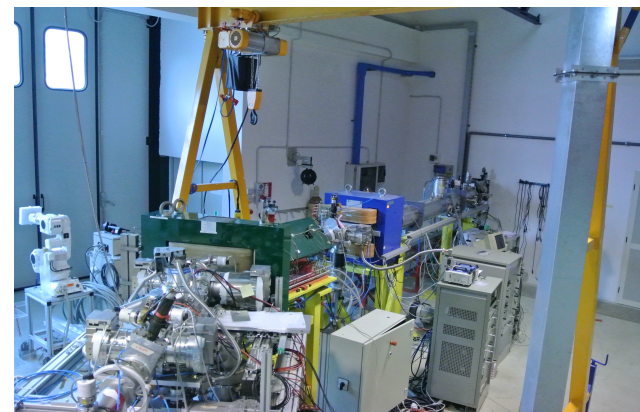
[antonino.dileva INFN Napoli](#)

[lucio.gialanella INFN Napoli](#)

The **ERNA**  
Separator

**Thesis available:**

- **Kinematic signature of the events**



Currently: radiative capture cross section measurements of  **$7\text{Be}(p,\gamma)8\text{B}$ ,  $14,15\text{N}(\alpha,\gamma)18,19\text{F}$  and  $12\text{C}(\alpha,\gamma)16\text{O}$**

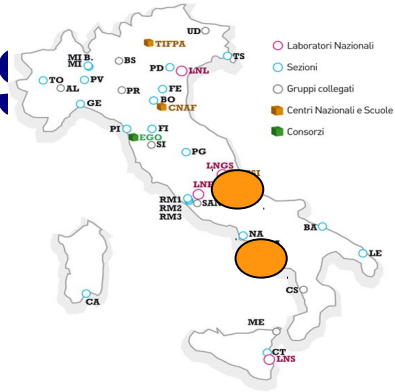
Gamma probe

Another research line uses a dedicated detector assembly for charged particle spectroscopy, at present for  **$12\text{C}+12\text{C}$  and  $23\text{Na}(p,\alpha) 20\text{Ne}$**  reactions.

Alpha probe



# The activity in Napoli and LNGS



**Experiment name: LUNA** intern. collaboration

**Contact:**

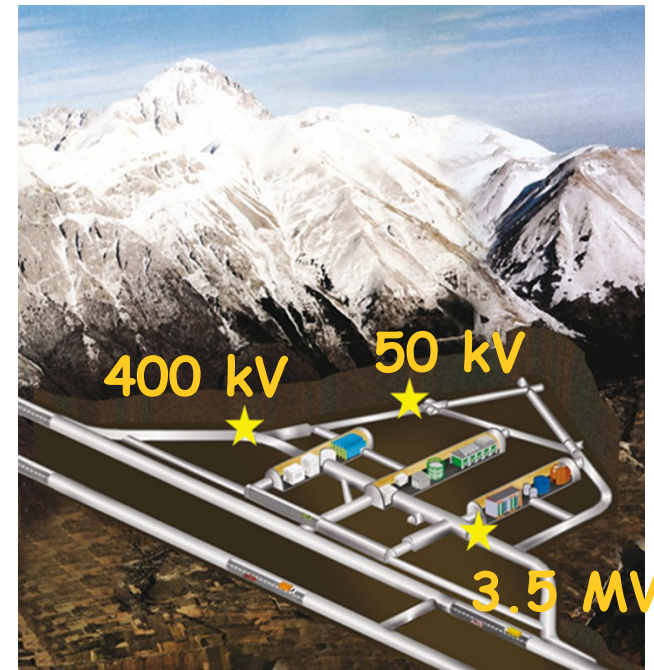
**gianluca.imbriani INFN Napoli**

**Thesis available:**

**Background minimization** → underground at LNGS.

At present the Naples Section is directly responsible for the measurements of

$^{18}\text{O}(p,\gamma)^{19}\text{F}$  and  $^{23}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)^{24}\text{Mg}$ , and in the near future other reactions of the CNO, NeNa and MgAl cycles.



Proton beam 0.3mA

# The activity in Padova and LNGS

Study of nuclear reactions responsible of the  
**energy production and of stellar chemistry** (H-burning)

**Contact:**

**carlo.broggini UNI Padova**

In the past most reactions on the typical solar cycle:

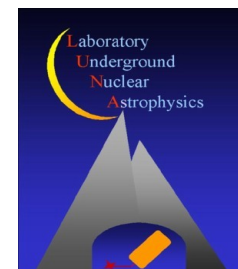
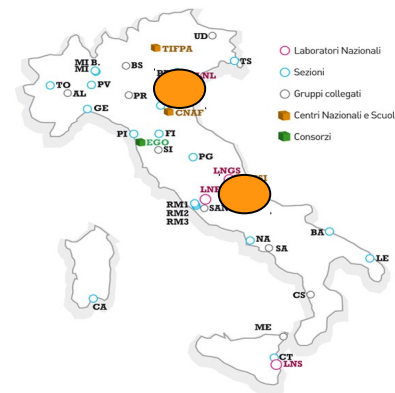
- $3\text{He}(3\text{He},2p)4\text{He}$  (solar neutrino problem)
- $14\text{N}(p,g)15\text{O}$  (CNO neutrinos, Universe age)

Henceafter: study H-burning at higher  
Temperatures AGB stars e Novae + BBN

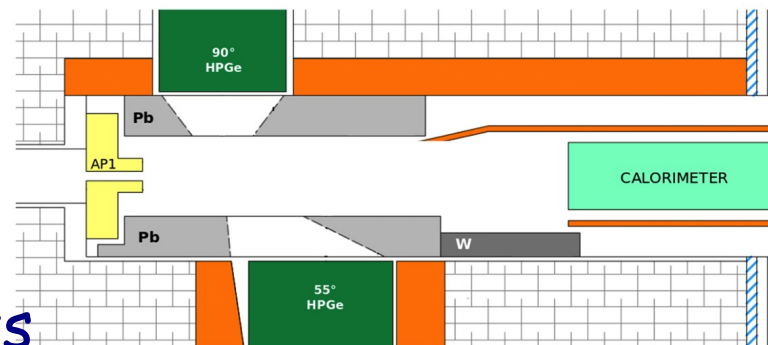
**Thesis available:**

Preparation and test in Legnaro of targets  
measure @LNGS  $6\text{Li}(p,\gamma)7\text{Be}$ .

- Low energy resonance?
- Analysis of previous collected data



**LUNA**



# The activity in Roma and US

**EXPERIMENT NAME: PREX at Jeff Lab**

**CONTACTS:**

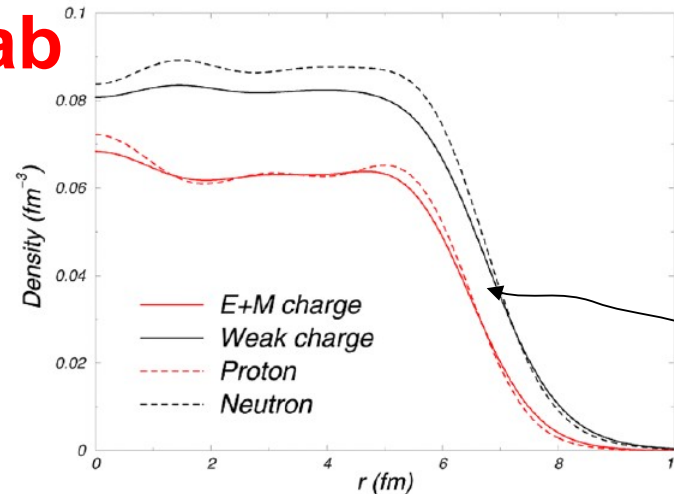
**G.M. Urciuoli, INFN Roma 1**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**

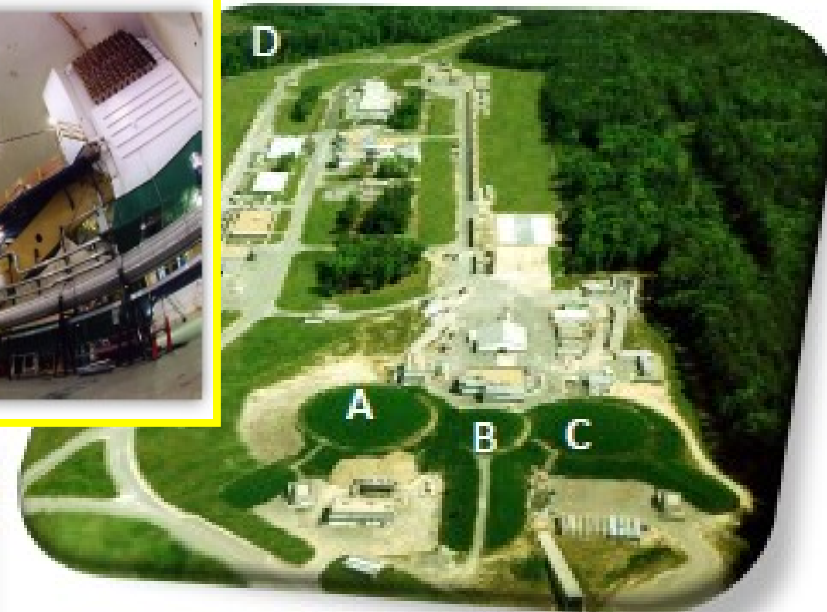
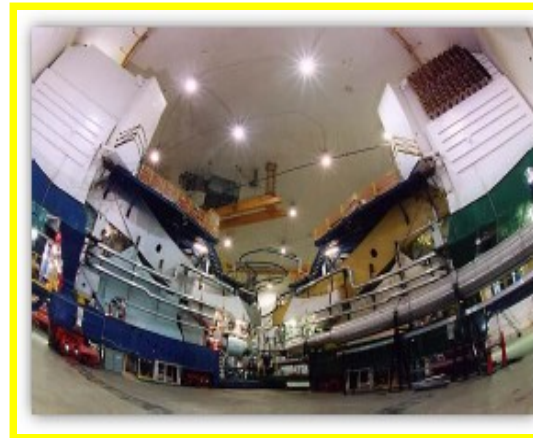
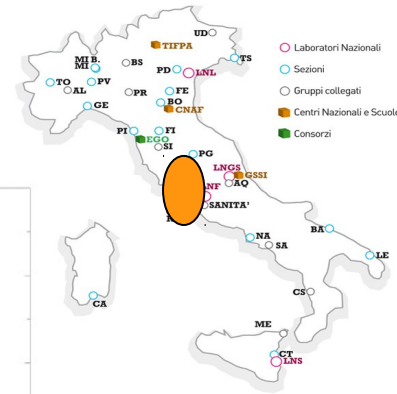
Data Analysis  
Polarized beams  
Experiments in US

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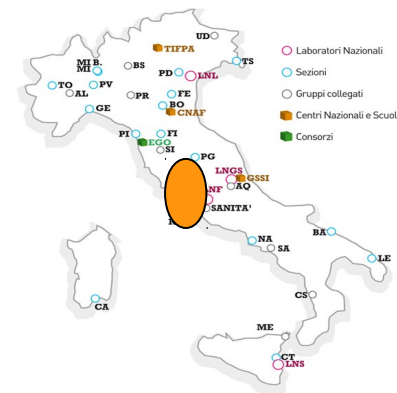
→ Experiments at JLAB (USA) with longitudinally polarized electron beams



208Pb Neutron **skin** –  
PREX experiment



# The activity in Roma and US



Exps in HallA, using 1 GeV electron beam, (till 70 uA);

highly polarized (90%) on 0.5 mm Pb target

Changing **e<sup>-</sup>** helicity

$$A_{PV} = \frac{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_+ - \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_-}{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_+ + \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_-} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{2\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \left[ \underbrace{1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W}_{\approx 0} - \frac{F_n(Q^2)}{F_p(Q^2)} \right]$$

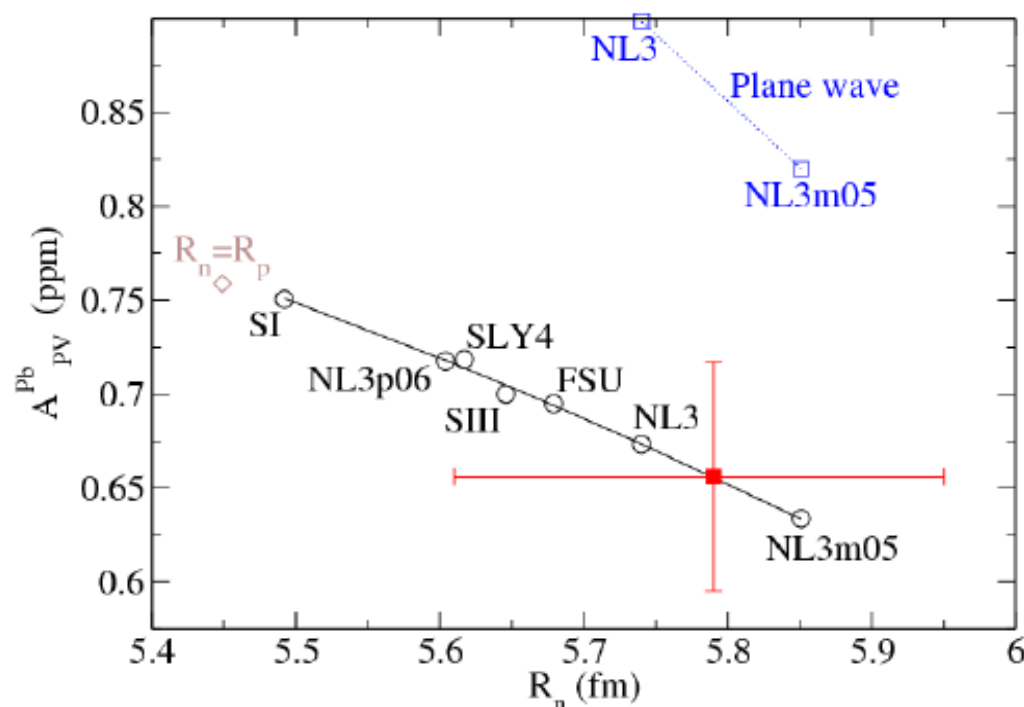
PWIA

**part-per-million precision**

«left»-«right» asymmetry

APV (Z0 exchange) in

e+208Pb elastic scattering



$$R_n - R_p = 0.34^{+16}_{-18} \text{ fm}$$

**Thesis available:**

**New experiments approved to improve statistics and extend to other nuclei.**

<http://hallaweb.jlab.org/parity/prex/>



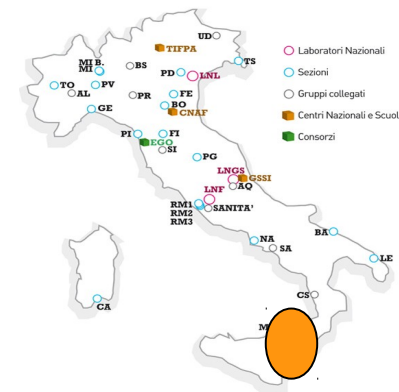
# The activity in Catania

EXPERIMENT NAME: **NEWCHIM**

CONTACTS:

**Sara Pirrone and Giuseppe Cardella, INFN Catania**

**Giuseppe Politi and Ninni Rizzo, Universita' di Catania**



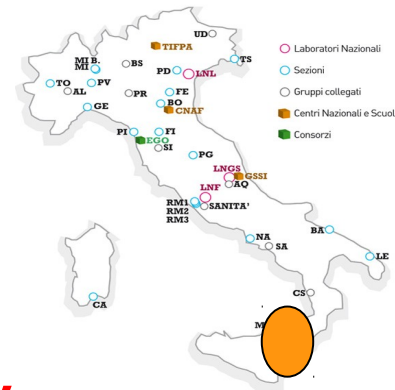
SHORTLY:

- Multitragmentation, **EOS and symmetry energy**
- Experiments with LNS **stable and unstable beams** at cyclotron energies
- Big detector **CHIMERA** (almost 1200 “eyes”)
- Construction of a powerful sensor for **multiparticle correlations** (R&D on DETECTORS)

**Charged  
products and  
reactions**

# The activity in Catania

EXPERIMENT NAME: **NEWCHIM**



**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
 Detector calibrations  
 Data Analysis  
 Models and Simulations

How a big system is produced and decays by changing the neutron/proton ratio?



**Thesis available:**

analysis of an experiment  
 (already done) with stable  
 beams@LNS and on the preparatory  
 phase to SPES experiment

**CHIMERA@LNS**



**SPES Letter Of Intent**  
**Isospin dependence of compound nucleus**  
**formation and decay**  
**systems with higher N/Z**



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# ISOL (LNL) but not only... in-Flight (LNS) beams

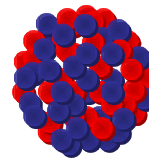
## @LNS, Catania



Refer to

- Lecture by R.Raabe Louven and others

Primary Beam (e.g. from a Cyclotron)

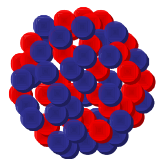


Stable Nuclei

$A \sim 10 - 100$

$E \sim 20 - 60 \text{ MeV/A}$

Primary Beam



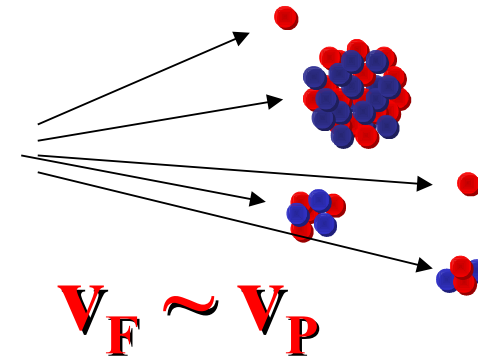
$V_P$



Thin target

${}^9\text{Be}$

$500\mu\text{m} - 2500\mu\text{m}$



Radiative  
&/OR  
stable nuclei

$V_F \sim V_P$

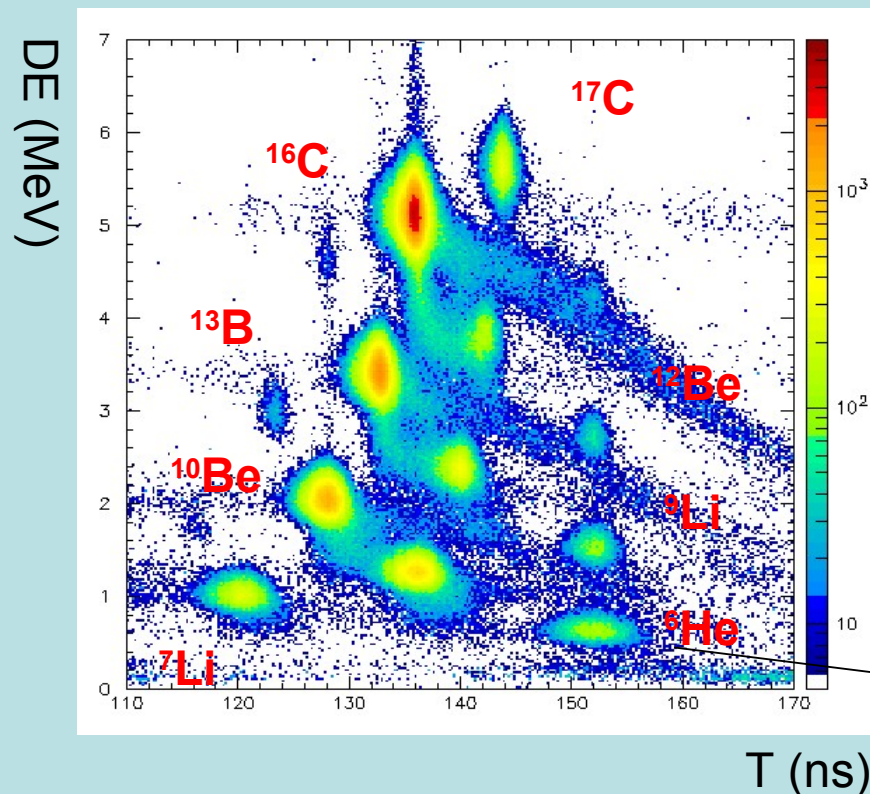
For more info, among others:

D.Rifuggiato INFN LNS, Catania Accelerator

G.Cardella INFN Ct, Catania, experiments

RIB @ Intermediate Energy

# The activity in Catania



**EXPERIMENT NAME: NEWCHIM**

**In-flight fragmentation beams  
@ LNS with CHIMERA**

**$^{18}\text{O} + ^9\text{Be}$  (1.5 mm) at 55 MeV/A**

**$^{18}\text{O}$  beam, 88W,  $5.5 \times 10^{11}$  p/s**

**Among the various produced  
nuclides**

**$^8\text{He}$  3 kHz**

**secondary beam 40-50 MeV/A**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
Detector calibrations  
Data Analysis  
Models and Simulations

**Thesis available:**

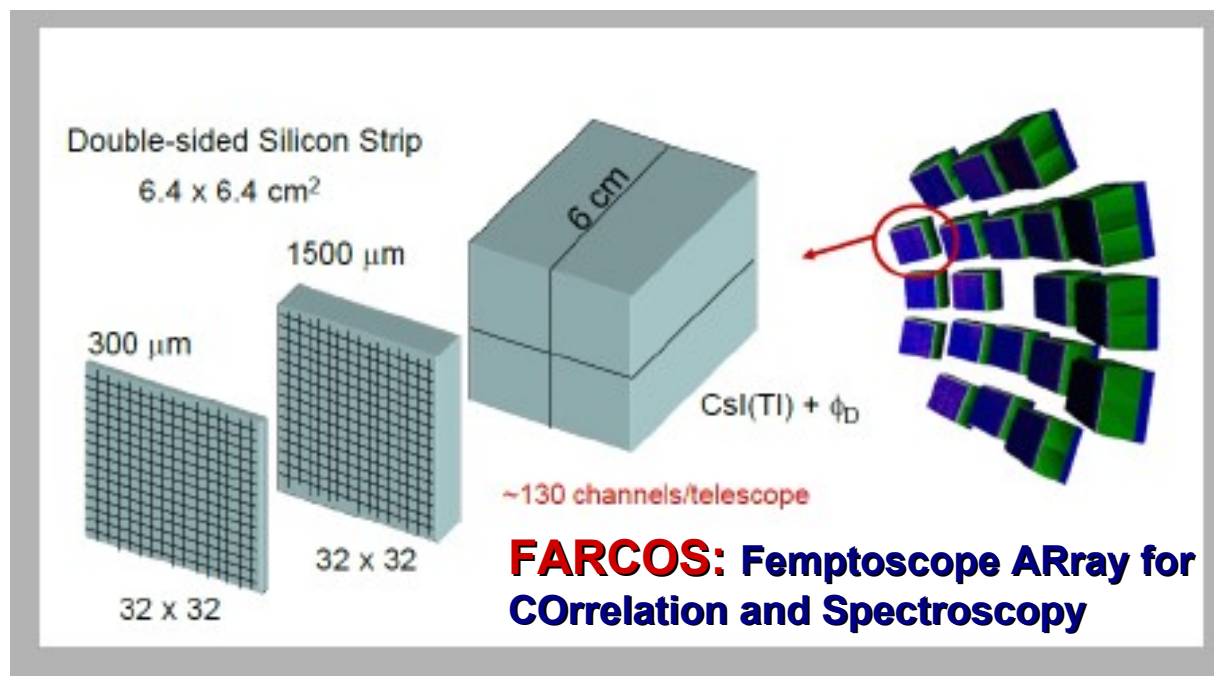
**Study of the  $^9\text{He}$  structure in one neutron  
transfer reactions  $^8\text{He} + d \rightarrow ^9\text{He} + p$**



# The activity in Catania

EXPERIMENT NAME: **NEWCHIM**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDENTS:**  
**DETECTORS**  
**ELECTRONICS**  
**LAB TESTS**



Telescopes for fragments with High angular resolution ( $\Delta\theta < 1^\circ$ ) and low thresholds ( $< 1 \text{ MeV/A}$ )

Pulse-shape analysis in Silicon  
wide Dynamic range ( $>> 20 \text{ MeV}$ )

Modularity and Transportability

Coupling to  $4\pi$  detectors or spectrometers

Integrated Electronics (**GET**)

**Thesis available:**

**20 modules**  
**under**  
**CONSTRUCTION**  
**2015-2019**

# The activity in Catania (and Canada)

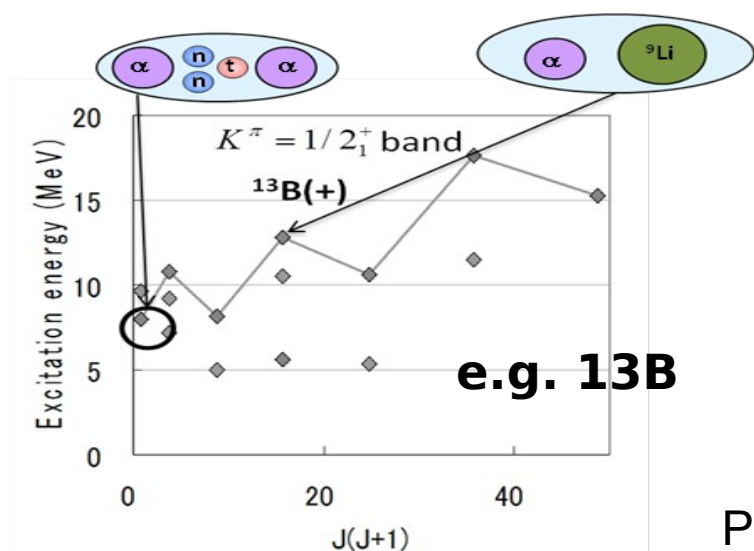
**EXPERIMENT NAME: LNS-STREAM**

**Thesis available:**

**Contacts:**

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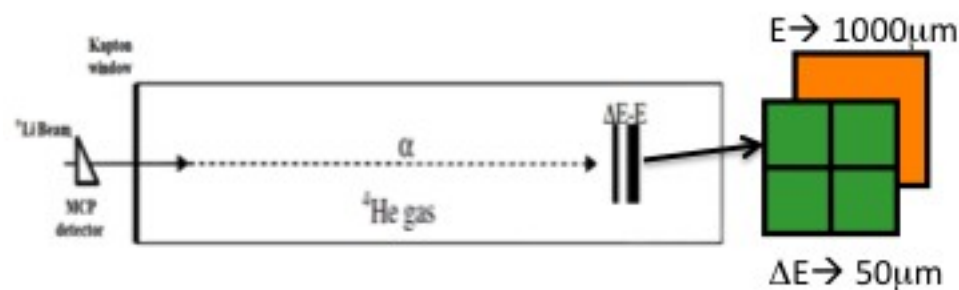
In many light **N=Z nuclei** clusters are formed by tightly bound nucleons (alpha particles). In **n-rich nuclei** clusters couldn't be stiff particles and **Exotic cluster configurations** may appear.



**9,11Li- $\alpha$  cluster states in  $^{13,15}\text{B}$**

**Experiment approved @ TRIUMF Canada**

**Resonance Scattering Technique:** a beam hits an extended gas target (also it is an energy degrader). Elastic excitation functions are measured in a broad energy range in a single run. Very useful with RIBs to minimise the beam time requests.



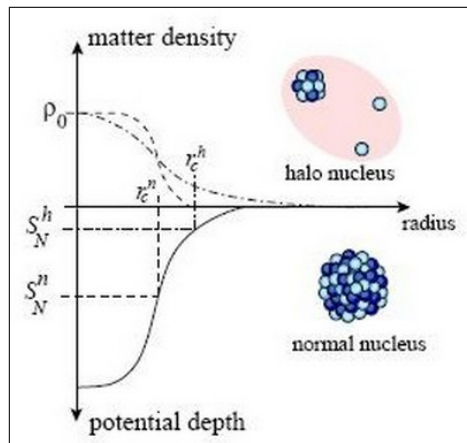
gas target (1.5 m)

$\Delta E-E$  for He,H separation

$\triangleright$  Tof between MCP detector and  $\Delta E$ -Si-detector

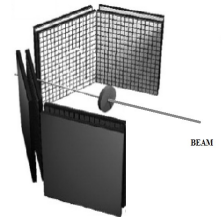
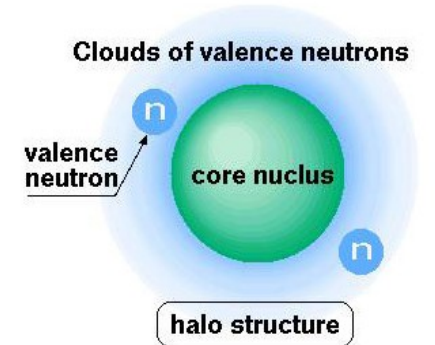
# The activity in Catania (and Canada)

halo vs normal nucleus



## ELASTIC SCATTERING AND BREAK-UP IN THE $9,11\text{Li}+64\text{Zn}$ reaction

- Weakly bound (easy to break-up)
- Easy to polarise (large  $B(E1)$  low energy strength)
- Suffer lower Coulomb barrier
- Higher transfer probability of valence nucleons



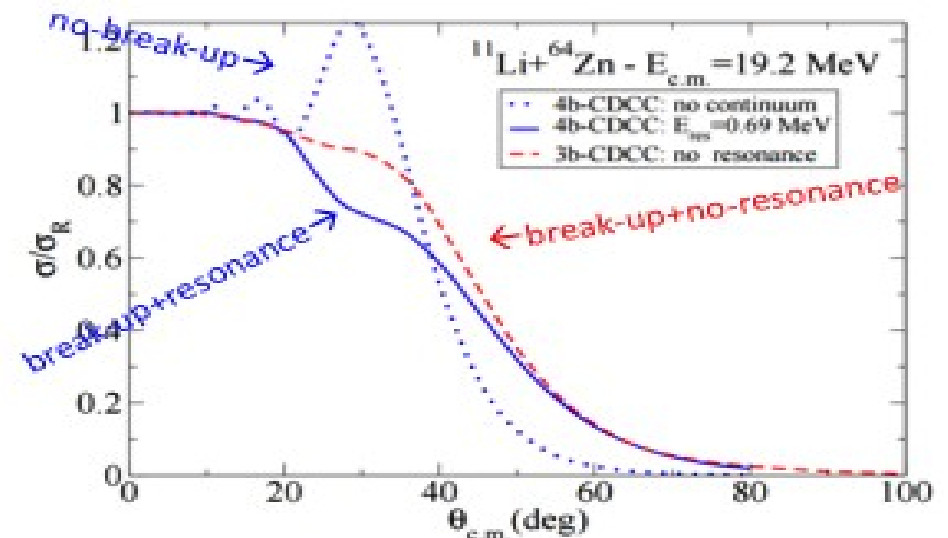
Experiment approved @ TRIUMF Canada

**Thesis available:**

**Understand the dynamics of the reactions induced by halo nuclei ( $11\text{Li}$ )**

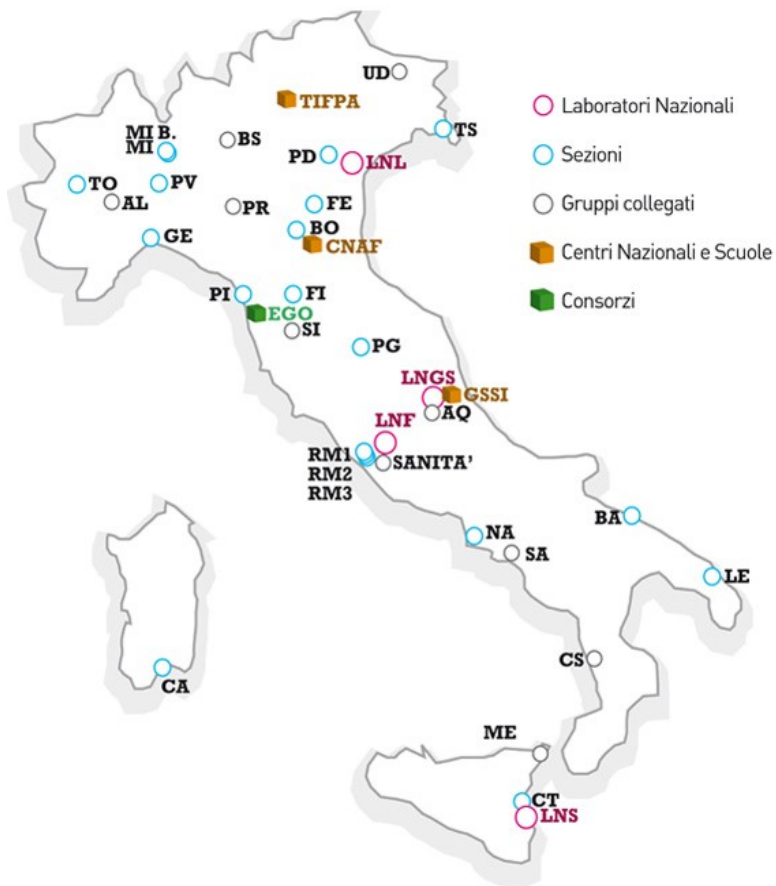
Due to the low binding-energy of halo nuclei, g.s. lies close to the break-up threshold. Coupling to break-up states (continuum) affects the dynamics of the collisions. Also soft-resonances can occur

Elastic-scattering angular distribution



# To keep in mind

## People we have met!



camera @mi.infn.it GAMMA detectors  
Leoni @mi.infn.it GAMMA experiments  
Benzoni @mi.infn.it GAMMA and beta-decay  
Bracco @mi.infn.it GAMMA experiments  
Wieland @mi.infn.it GAMMA experiments  
Andrighetto @lnl.infn.it SPES beam develop.  
Fioretto @lnl.infn.it PRISMA spectrometre  
Corradi @lnl.infn.it PRISMA spectrometre  
Montagnoli @pd.infn.it PISOLO separator  
Valiente-dobon @lnl.infn.it GAMMA array  
Mengoni @lnl.infn.it GAMMA particle array  
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