

Welcome at Legnaro National Lab of INFN







What is INFN?

- INFN is the Italian research agency dedicated to the study of the fundamental constituents of matter and the laws that govern them, together with the technological developments pertinent to these areas.
- It operates in strong symbiosis with the Italian university system, being present with its Departments (Sezioni) in 20 universities, in an international environment.
- It provides and manages large research infrastructures at 4 National laboratories

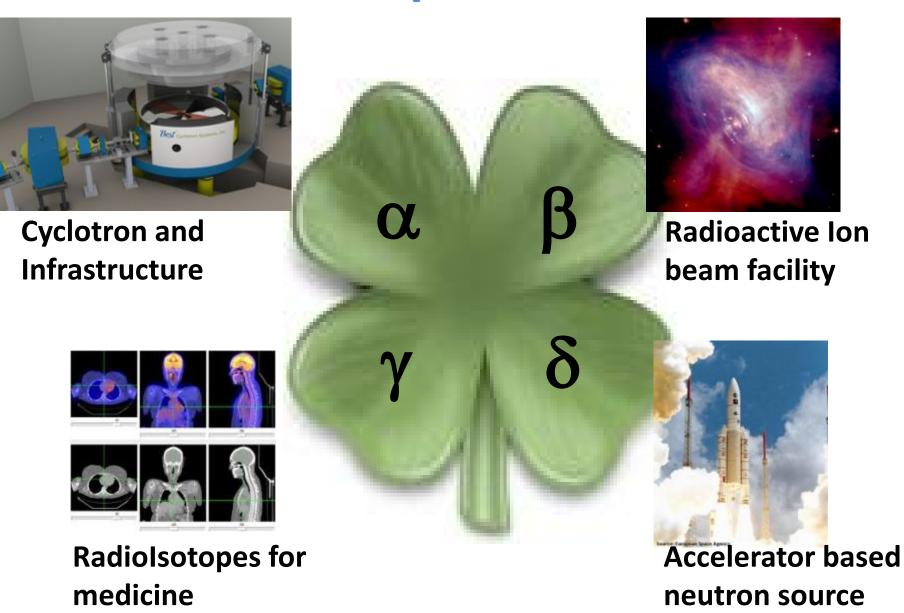




What is the LNL? (Legnaro National Laboratories)

- Mission: Basic nuclear physics and nuclear astrophysics,
 together with applications of related nuclear technologies
- **Strength points**: developments of accelerators, radiation detectors and surface treatments technology
- Personnel: Every day 250 people work at LNL, 125 of these are INFN employees,
- Cost: 20 MEuro/year (half for handling and research, half for personnel). In 2014 some 7 MEuro arose from external funds
- Users: about 700 scientists, half from Italy
- Available accelerators: AN2000 e CN plus TANDEM-XTU and ALPI-PIAVE: deliver in total, some 8000 hours of beam time per year

The four phases of SPES

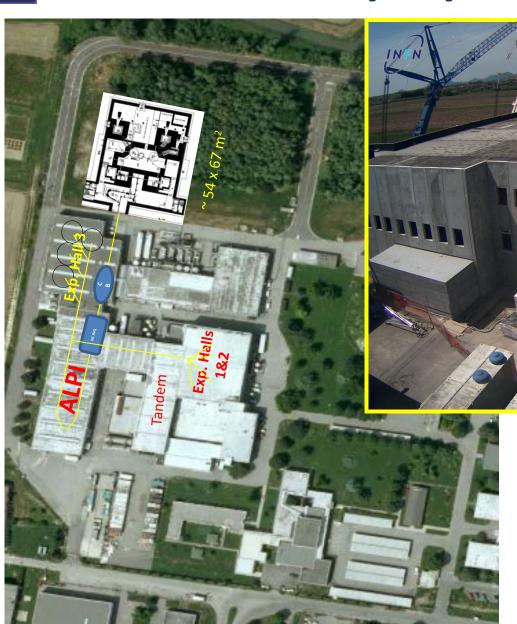




SPES-α Facility Layout



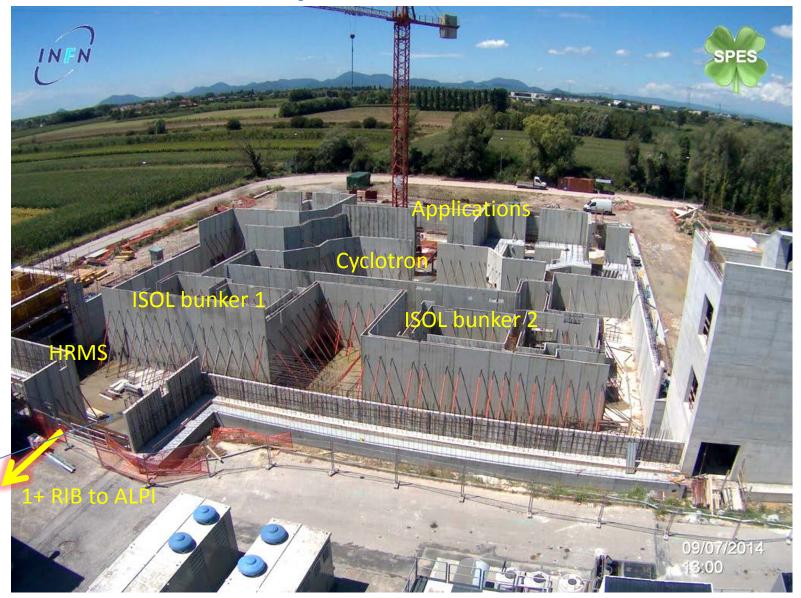




New infrastructure for:

- cyclotron
- RIB (Radioactive Ion Beam)
- application

April 2014



SPES α : the cyclotron

Built by BEST Cyclotron Systems

- Negative Hydrogen ion (H-)
- Simultaneous double beam extraction
- 35 to 70 MeV variable energy
- 700 µA combined beam current (to be upgraded to 1 mA)



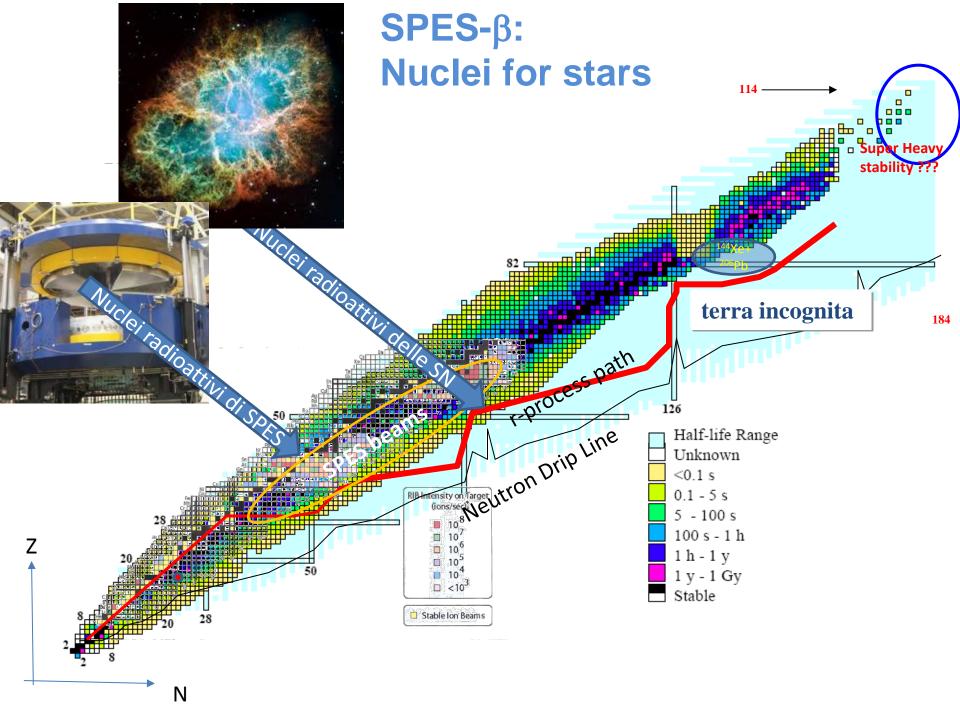
- -Factory Acceptance Tests (FAT) passed
- -700 μA goal demonstrated
- -Cyclotron arrived at LNL in may 2015







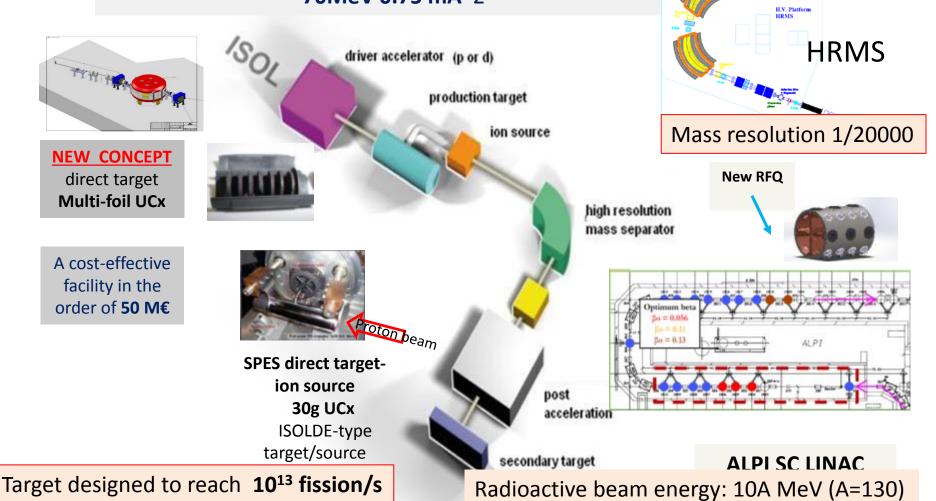






The ISOL choice for SPES-beta

'Commercial' Cyclotron → Proton Driver: 70MeV 0.75 mA 2



Project fully funded by INFN, to be completed by 2019



Nuclei for medicine LARAMED



INFN, CNR and BEST-Medical International have expressed a joint interest for the creation of a Laboratory for research and production of radionuclides and radio-pharmaceuticals.

A joint 7Meur project has been financed by Italian government as a PREMIUM PROJECT

BEST has officially proposed to INFN a 10 year contract:

- -BEST uses 50% of the cyclotron beam for radionuclide production
- BEST provides investment for the radiopharmaceutical plant and operates it
- -BEST pays a fee to INFN for investment costs and operational (direct and indirect) costs

LARAMED Products

	Radioisotope	Half-life
	Fe-52	8.3 h
	Cu-64	12.7 h
	Cu-67	2.58 d
	Sr-82	25.4 d
	Ge-68	270.8 d
	I-124	4.18 d
	Ac-225	10 d

Some radionuclides of interest for nuclear medicine. They can be produced by means of the cyclotron of the SPES- α phase

LARAMED

Radioisotope Laboratory Radioisotope Factory

^{99m}Tc ⁶⁴Cu ⁶⁷Cu Double extraction cyclotron

⁸²Sr/⁸²Rb ⁶⁸Ga/⁶⁸Ge

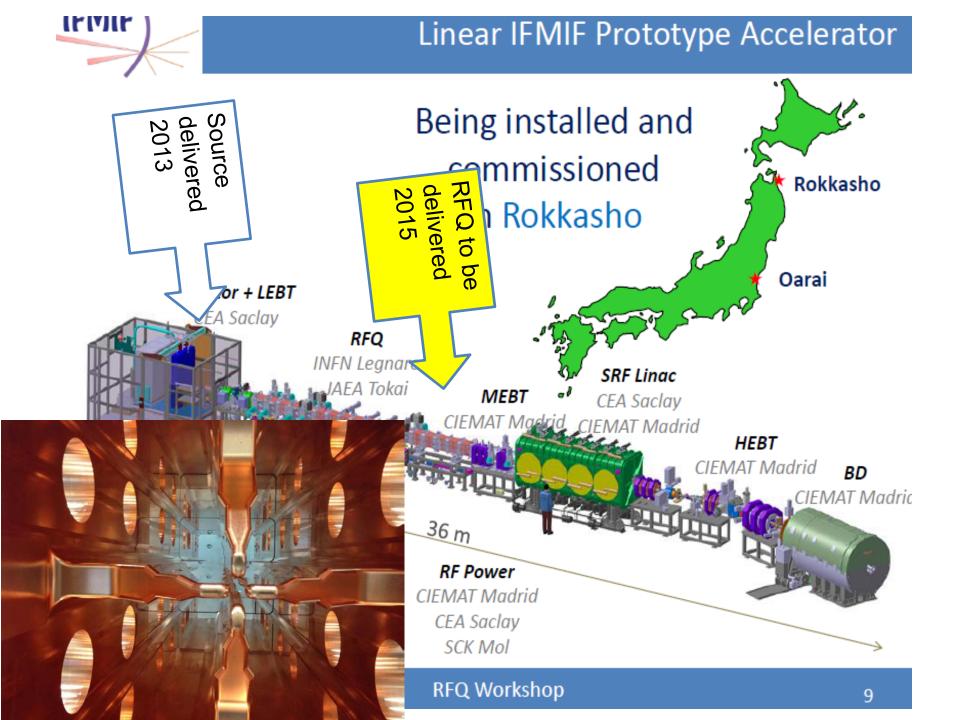
LARAMED Project @ LNL



SPES-δ:
Multidisciplinary
Neutron source



- Neutron sources have several applications Nuclear astrophysics,
 Characterization of nuclear waste, BNCT. Study of materials for future fusion reactor..)
- The first phase of MUNES Project (Multidisciplinary neutron source based on RFQ) has been financed by MIUR in the framework of "Premium Projects" with 5 Meuro
- This is part of the story about the involvement of LNL in LINACs:
 MUNES, IFMIF, ESS



Gamma detection: from GASP to Galileo

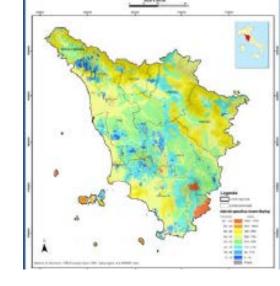
- The international dimension of LNL in gamma detection was recognized in the nineties, with the detector GASP, which has been dismantled after 20 years of honorable work
- The years 2011-2012 have been characterized by the successful performance of the AGATA demonstrator, which has just moved to GSI
- Since summer 2015 a new gamma detector, GALILEO, is available at LNL.





Monitoring of environmental radioactivity by means of gamma spectroscopy

- The knowledge of natural radioactivity is important for geological studies as well as for environmental aspects
- Project ITALRAD has been been funded by MIUR in the framework of the "Premium projects"
- Tuscany and Veneto radioactivity maps completed and published
- Sardinia in advanced stage, Marche and Umbria in progress...







Be one of them, join us



 Young bright guys are welcome st LNL for



- Master thesis
- PhD thesis
- Post-docs

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Thank you and have a nice stay