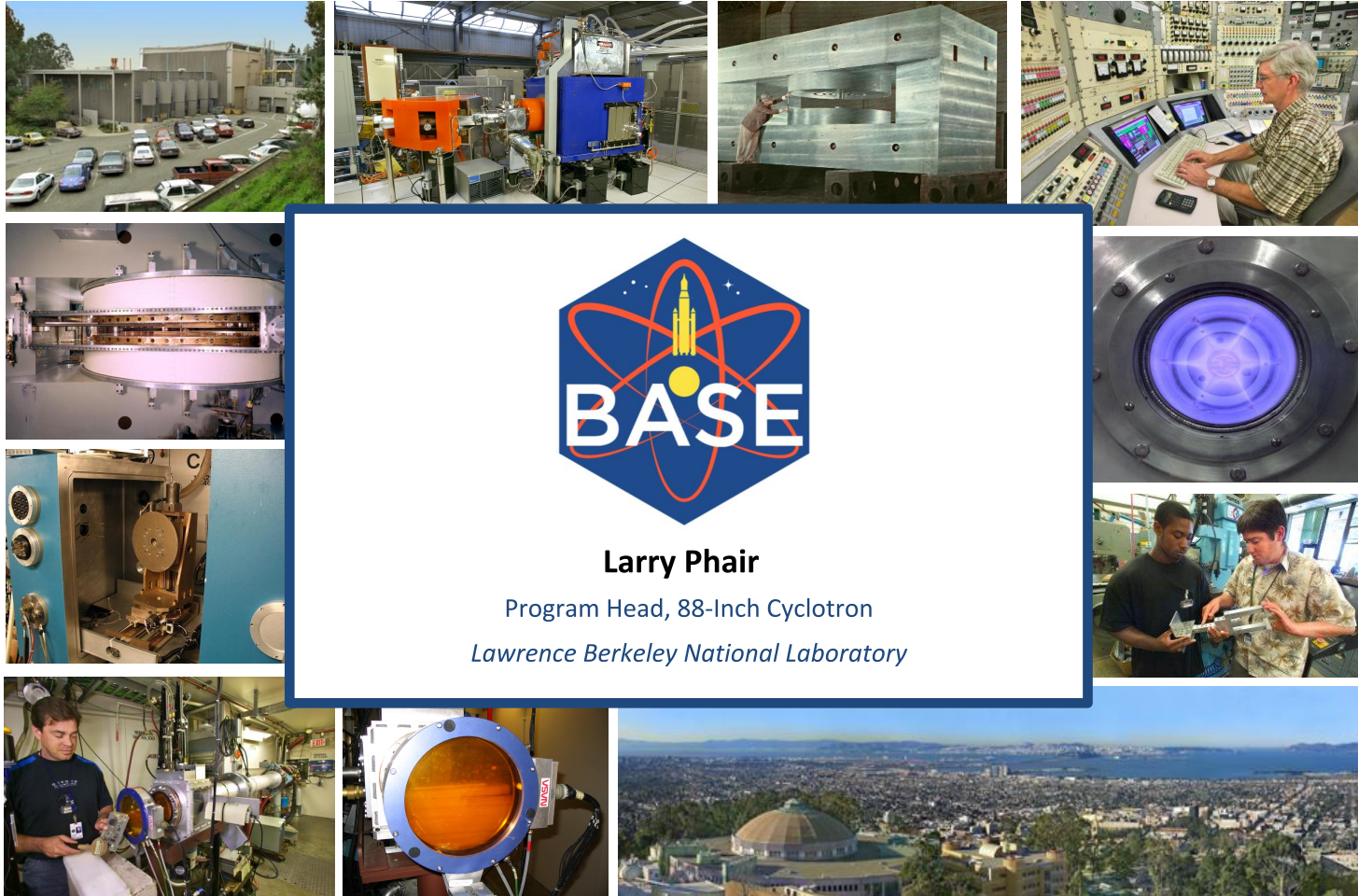
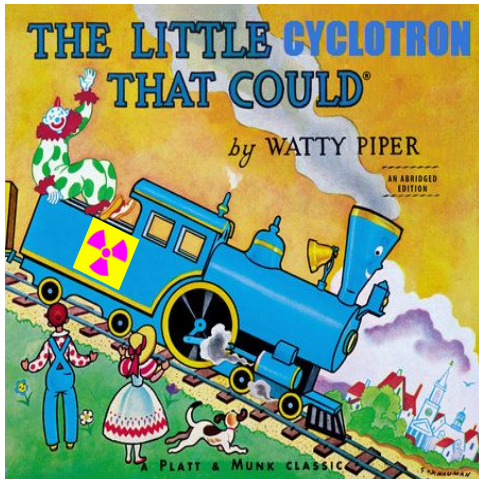


# The 88-Inch Cyclotron



# What is a “Cyclotron”?



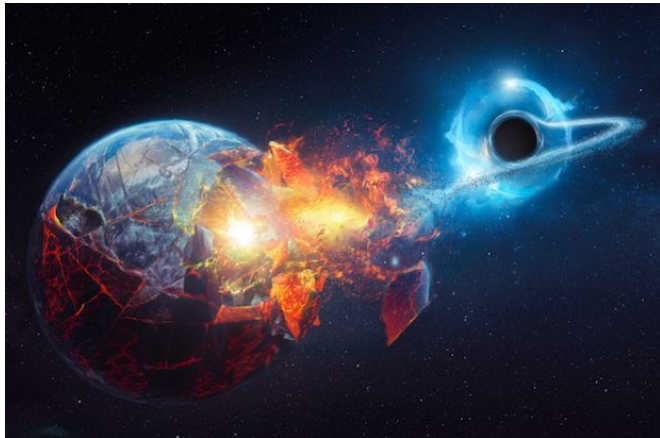
*As seen by Cyclotron Operations:*  
**“Can-do” capability!**



*As seen by Lab Management:*  
**Still going! Never say die!**



*As seen by Cyclotron Researchers:*  
**Endless possibilities & flexibility!**



*As seen by Conspiracy Crowd:*  
**It makes black holes! It will destroy the Earth!**



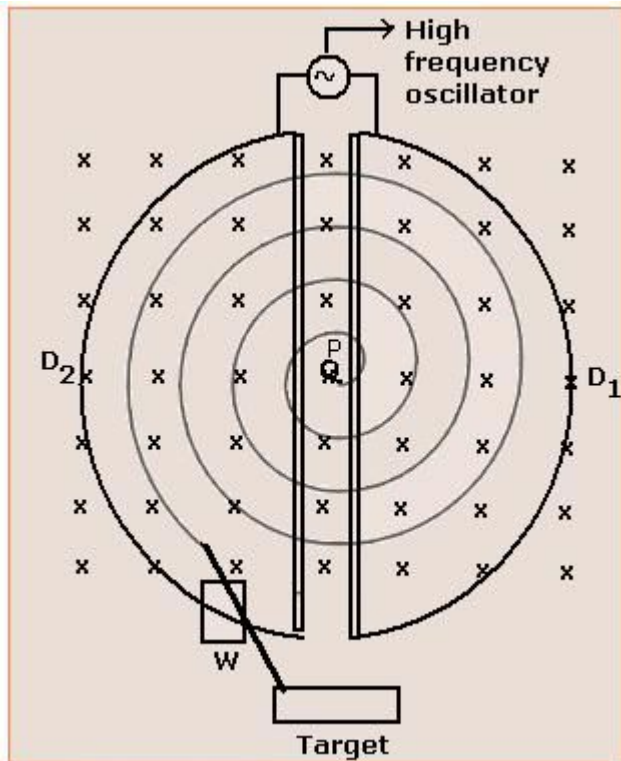
*As seen by General Public:*  
**Danger, Will Robinson!**



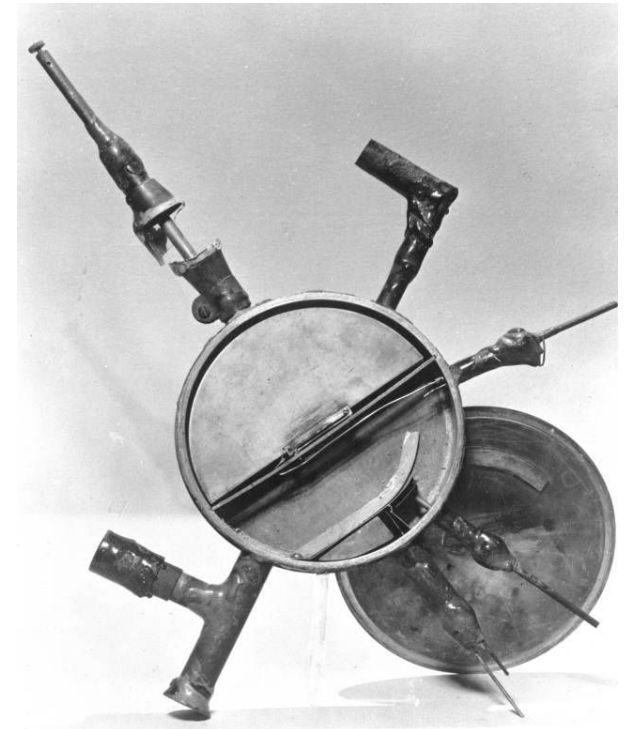
*As seen by Safety Personnel:*  
**Old, hazardous, and scary!**



# Cyclotron Basics



*Cyclotron operation*

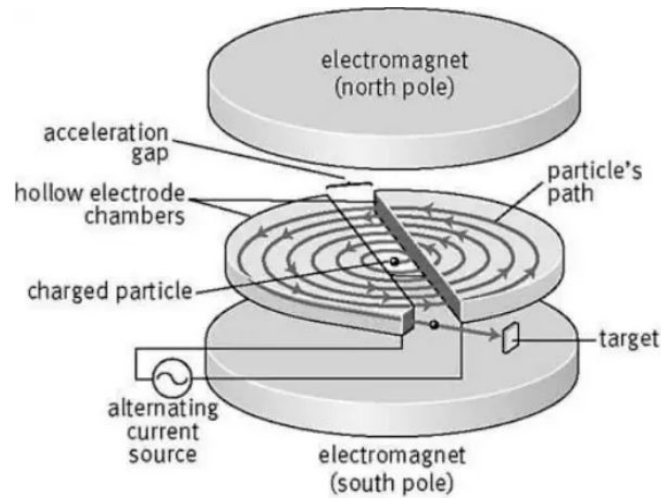


*Lawrence's first (4-inch) cyclotron*

# Cyclotron Basics



Berkeley Lab's 184-Inch Cyclotron, the largest single-magnet cyclotron ever built.



Ernest O. Lawrence at the controls of the 37-Inch Cyclotron.

$$E/A = K (q/A)^2$$

E = energy

A = atomic mass number

K = "k-value" (maximum rigidity)

q = ion charge

$$m v = q B r$$

m = ion mass

v = ion velocity

r = orbital radius

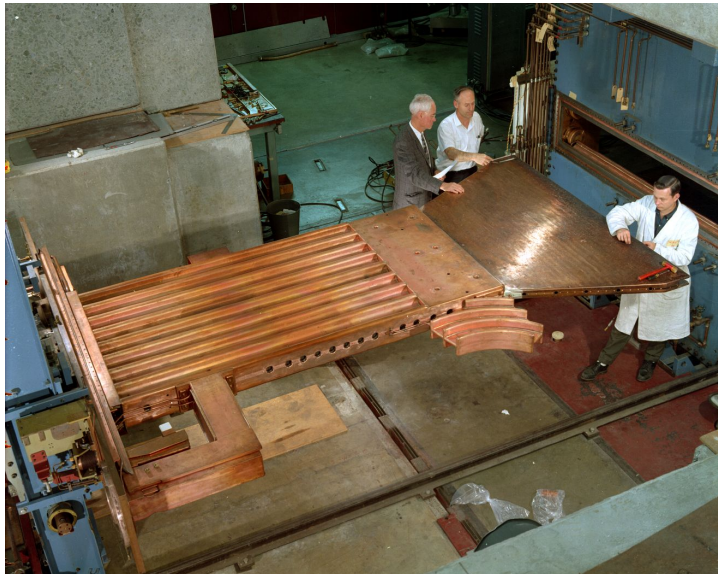
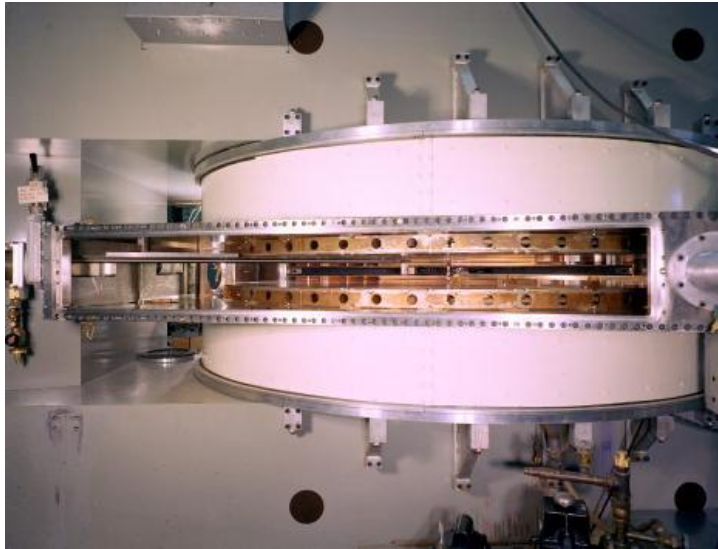
B = magnetic field

$$f = \frac{q B}{2 \pi m}$$

f = cyclotron resonance frequency



# The 88-Inch Cyclotron



- 300 tons of metal
- First beam in Dec. 1961
- $K = 140$  (35 MeV/nucleon)
- Sector-focused: magnetic field increases with both angular position and radius
- Isochronous: frequency is constant between 5.6 and 16.5 MHz, with 1st and 3rd harmonics available
- We run 24/7, up to ~6,000 hours/year (currently at 3500 hours/year)
- Capable of accelerating H through U

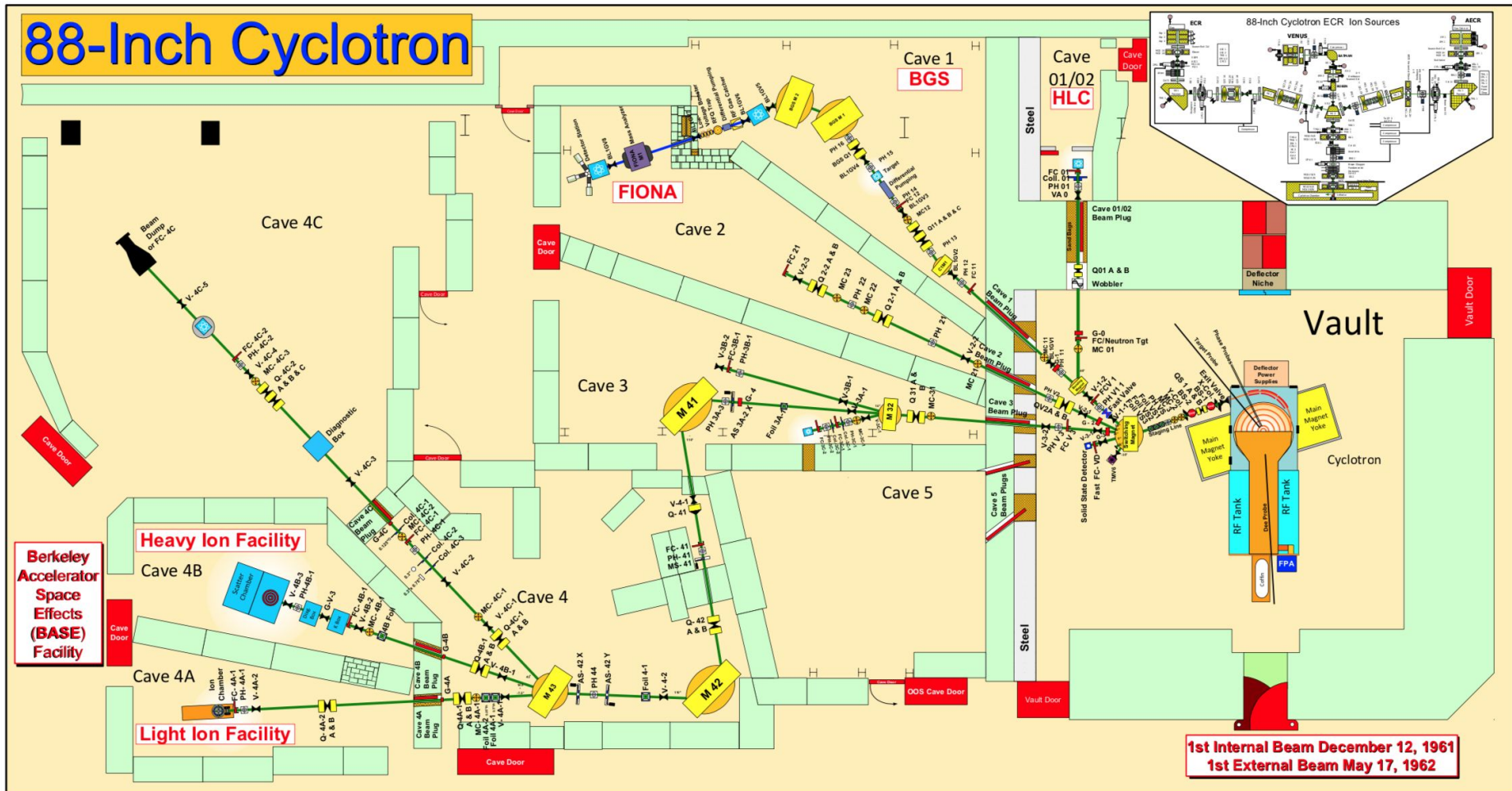
# Elements

1 H																	2 He														
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne														
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar														
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc											22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr				
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y											40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe				
55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 Nh	114 Fl	115 Mc	116 Lv	117 Ts	118 Og

 Elements previously accelerated by the 88-Inch Cyclotron

 Elements discovered by Berkeley Lab

# 88" Cyclotron, internal beams (protons)



Outline (path through the caves)

Roof: ECR ion sources

Caves 0, 5: neutron beams

Caves 1, 2: Super-heavy elements

Caves 4A, 4B: Radiation effects testing



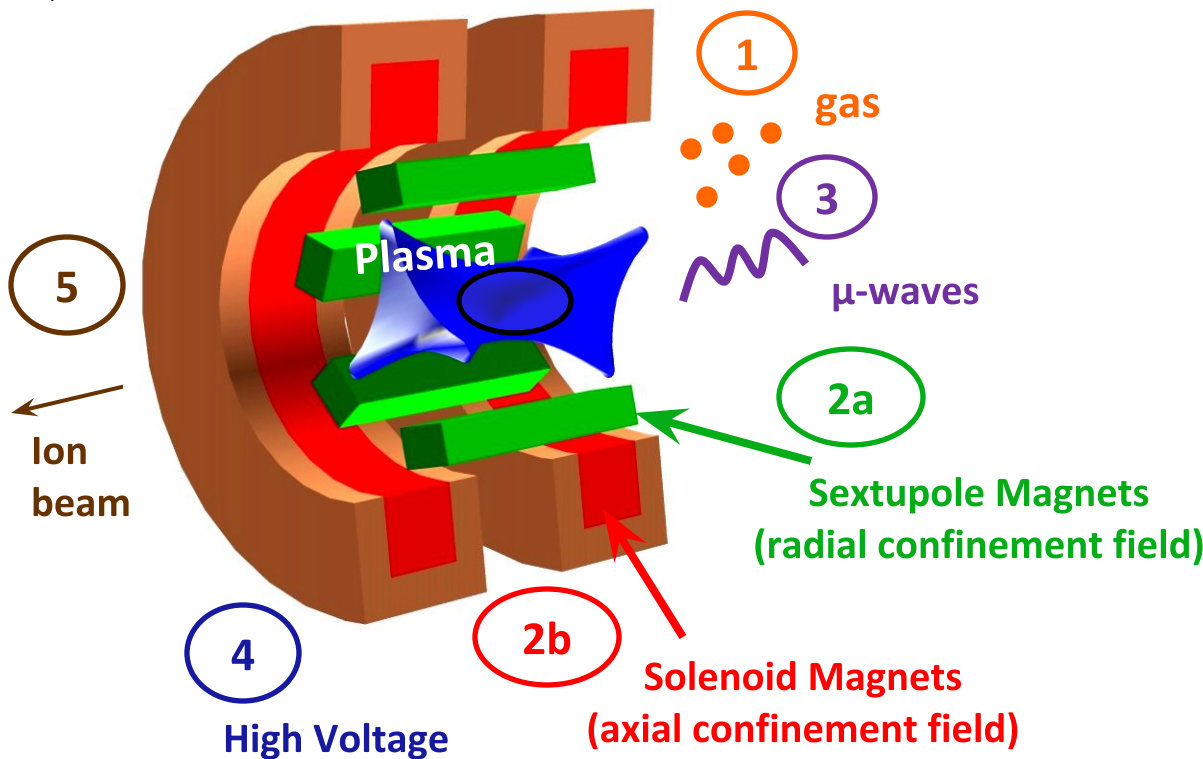
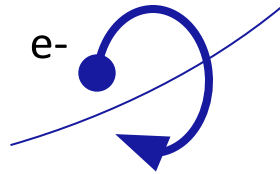
# ECR Ion Source Physics



ECR: Electron Cyclotron Resonance

$$\frac{e \cdot B_{ECR}}{m_e} = \omega_{\mu\text{-wave}}$$

$$\omega_{\mu\text{-wave}} = 28\text{GHz} \rightarrow B_{ECR} = 1\text{T}$$



## Key Ingredients

- 1 gas
- +
- 2a radial field
- +
- 2b axial field
- +
- 3  $\mu$ -waves
- =
- +
- 4 High Voltage
- 
- 5 Ion beam

# New ion source proposed at the 88

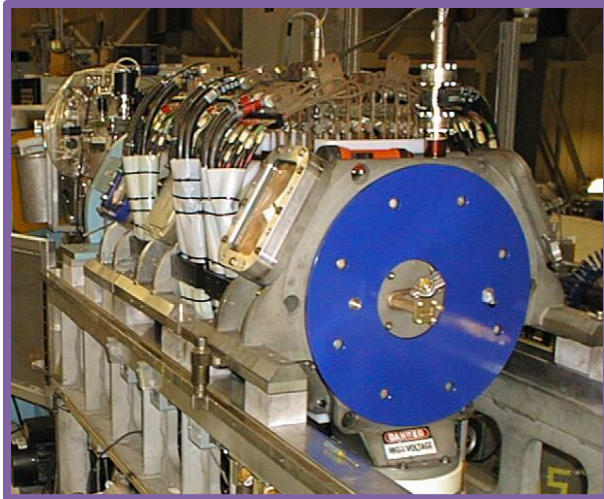
## ECR (Gen 1)

1980s

Max B-Field: 0.4 T

Frequencies: 6.4 GHz

Max Power: 0.6 kW



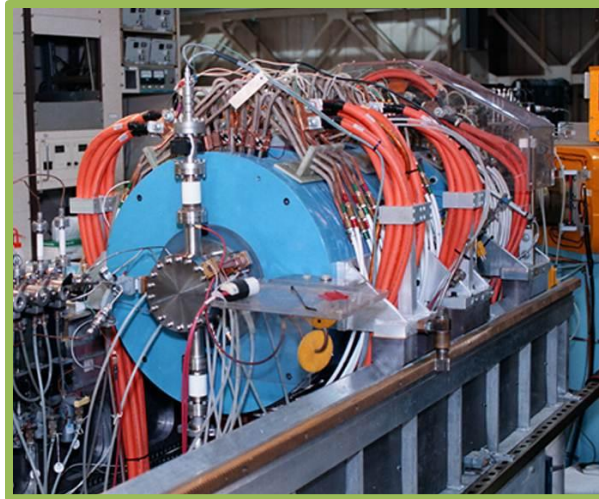
## AECR (Gen 2)

1990s

Max B-Field: 1.7 T

Frequencies: 10, 14 GHz

Max Power: 2.6 kW



## VENUS (Gen 3)

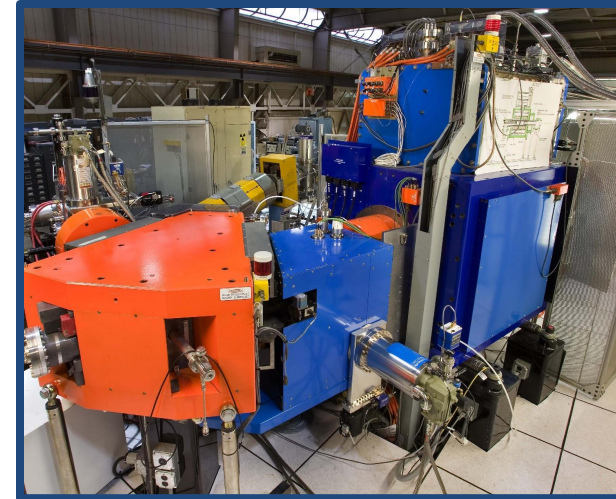
2000s

Max B-Field: 4.0 T

(superconducting)

Frequencies: 18, 28 GHz

Max Power: 12 kW



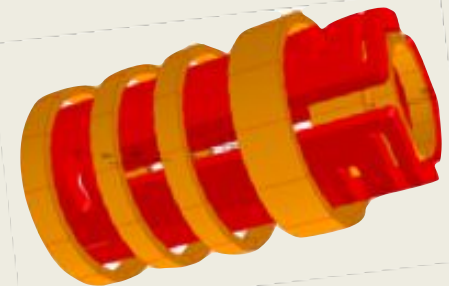
**Under development:**  
Proposal submitted  
this year.

## MARS (Gen 4)

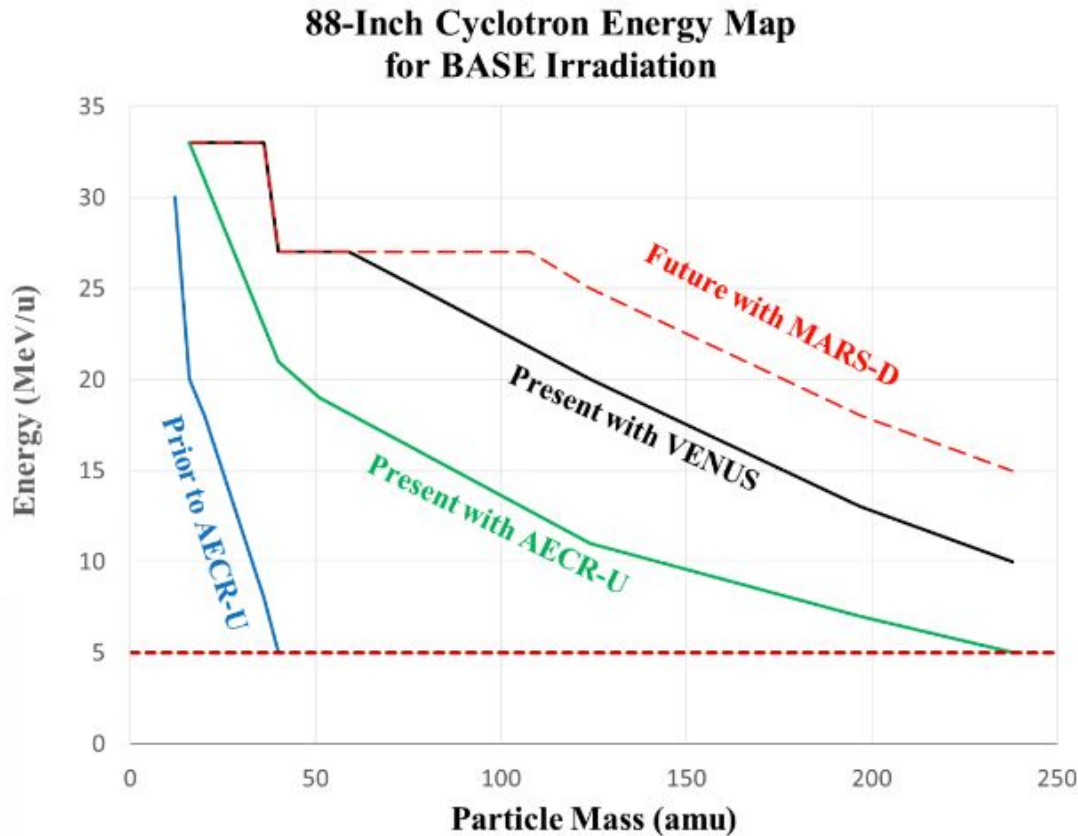
Max B-Field: 5.7 T

Frequency: 45 GHz

Max Power: 20 kW



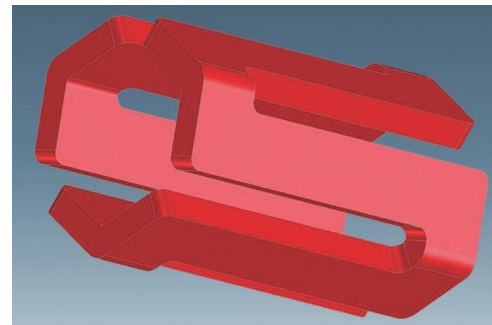
# MARS Ion Source



$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ E/A = K (q/A)^2 \end{matrix}$$

- Higher charge-state ions going into the cyclotron means higher energy beams at the output
- MARS allows for higher beam intensities than previous ion sources by a factor of 5 (for ions with the same charge state)
- An additional ion source adds redundancy, which reduces failure time

MARS will have NbTi closed-loop sextupole windings



3D view of MARS windings



# World-leading ECR ion source group

## VENUS records

Ion	Chg	Intensity ( $e\mu A$ )
$^4\text{He}$	2+	11,000
$^{16}\text{O}$	6+	3,000
$^{40}\text{Ar}$	11+	860
$^{209}\text{Bi}$	31+	300
$^{209}\text{Bi}$	50+	5.3
$^{238}\text{U}$	33+	440
$^{238}\text{U}$	50+	13
$^{40}\text{Ca}$	11+	400



# Why these records are important...



FRIB needs very high intensity high-charge-state beams.

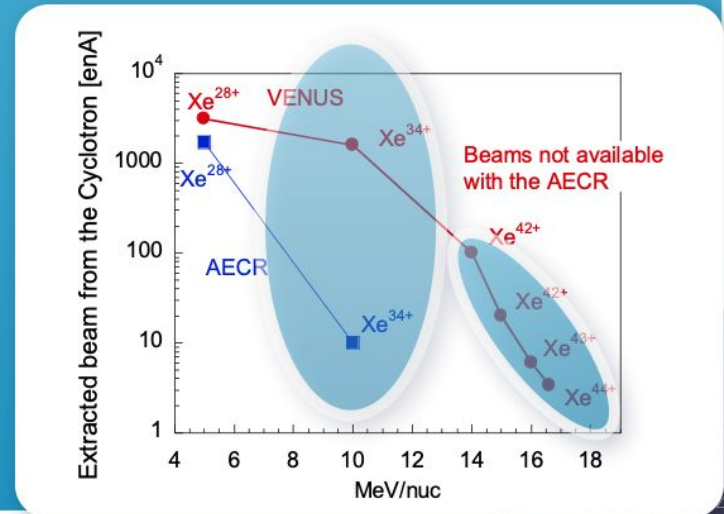


Collaboration with MSU

$^{238}\text{U}^{33+}$  : 430  $\mu\text{A}$

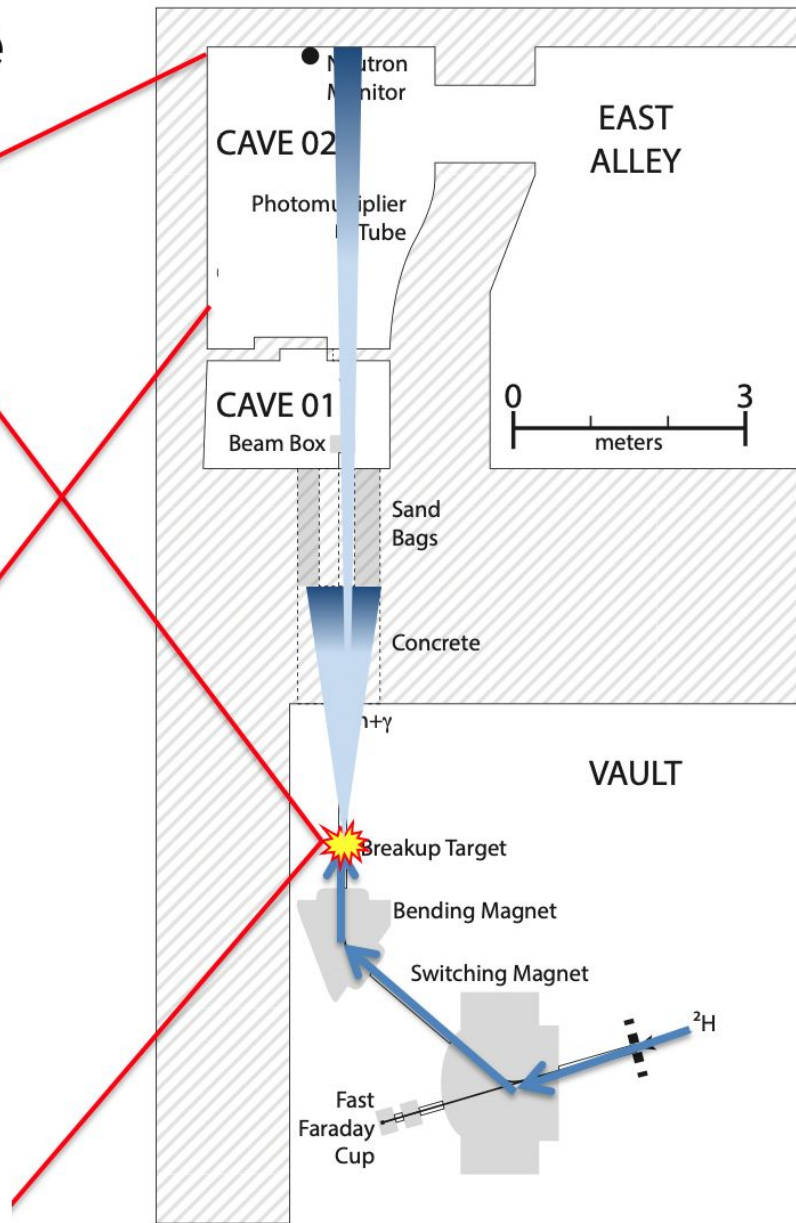
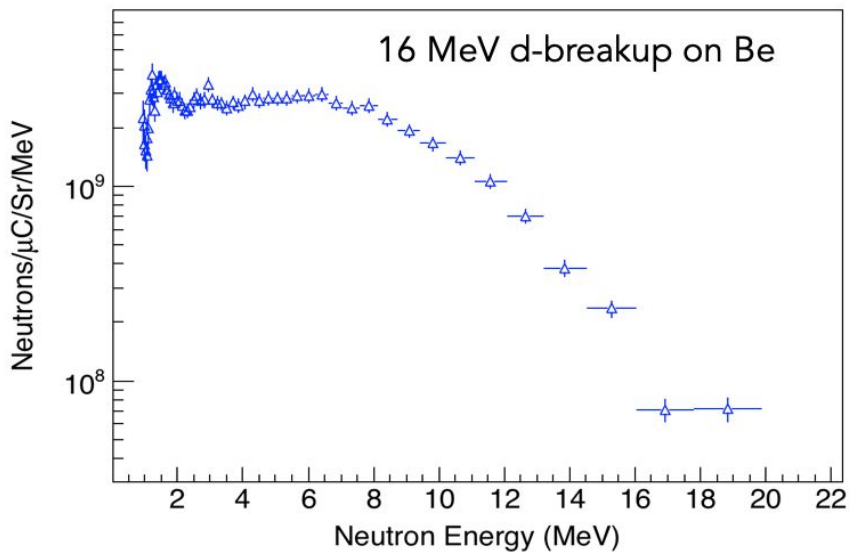
- Low emittance beams for high intensity transmission (super heavy studies)

- BASE community can use the tails for higher LET in the cocktail
  - Xe in the 16 AMeV cocktail
  - Bi in the 10 AMeV cocktail





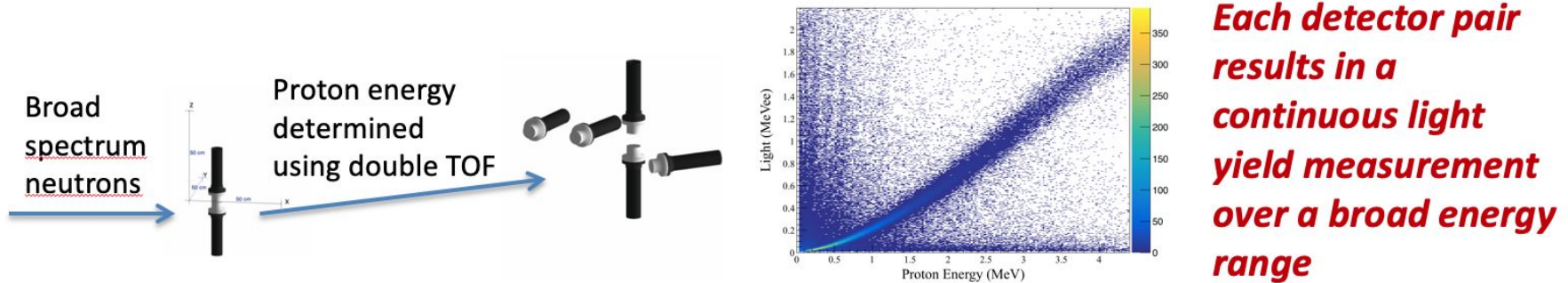
# D-Breakup Neutron Source



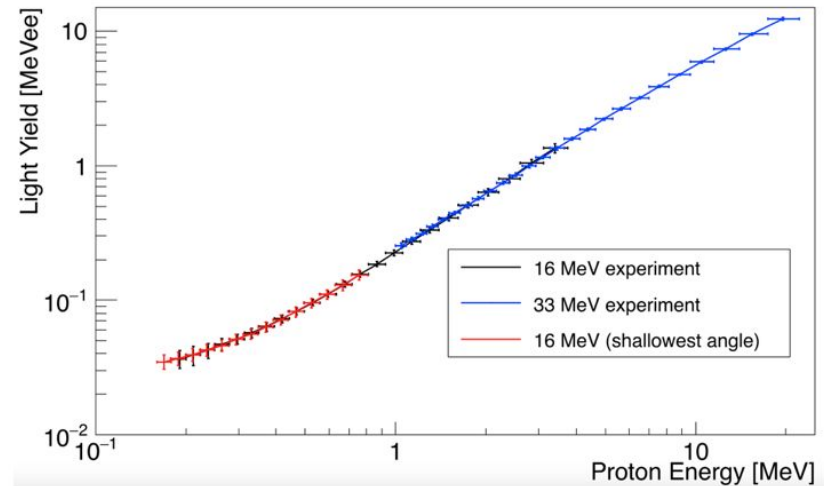


# Light Yield Measurements – UCB/LBNL Approach

New dTOF method developed at the 88-Inch extends the indirect technique using a high flux tunable broad spectrum d-breakup neutron source

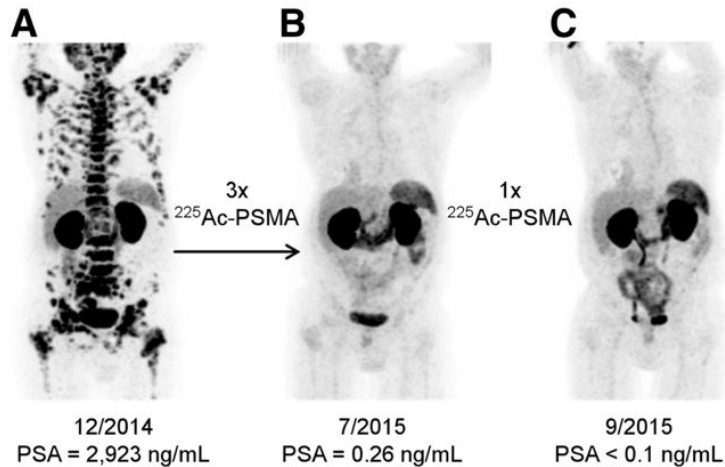


- **Higher flux = Shorter measurement times**
  - DD generator (commercial):  $<10^5$  n/s/sr
  - DT generator (commercial):  $<10^7$  n/s/sr
  - DD generator (dedicated facility):  $<10^8$  n/s/sr
  - **88-Inch Cyclotron:  $>10^9$  n/s/sr at  $0^\circ$**
- **Higher flux = More accurate measurements**—Smaller detectors and larger flight times (i.e. more accurate scattering angle) while maintaining reasonable event rates



Consistent LY measurements from 200 keV to 20 MeV with full UQ

# Production of $^{225}\text{Ac}$ ( $t_{1/2} = 9.9$ d) via thick target D-breakup



## Preliminary Results

- Pre-separation  $^{225}\text{Ac}$  activity: 53.9 kBq (1.46 uCi)
- Post-separation  $^{225}\text{Ac}$  activity: 49.3 kBq (1.33 uCi)
- Separation efficiency: 91.4 %
- Production rate: **2.1 mCi/mAh/g with  $r < 0.5$  mm**
- Subsequent milking would produce more

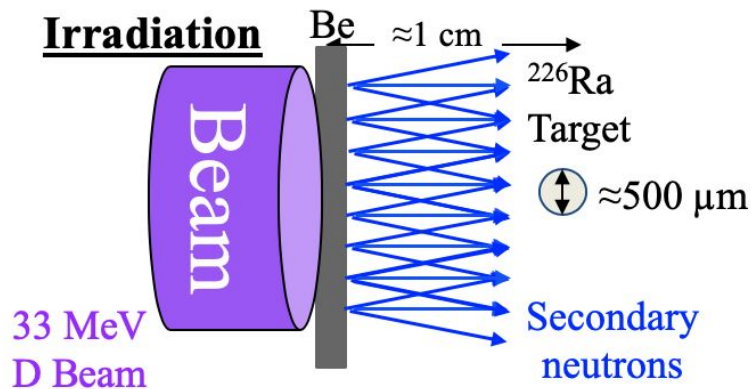
## 2-month count period on HPGe show:

- No fission fragments identified in separated  $^{225}\text{Ac}$ .
- No measurable activity of  $^{227}\text{Ac}$  ( $t_{1/2} = 21.8$  y) contaminant ( $^{227}\text{Ac}$  MDA:  $\approx 218$  Bq (5.9 nCi) or **<0.4% radio-impurity**)

## Next Steps:

- Pre-clean  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  sample to remove  $^{228}\text{Th}$
- Use different deuteron energies to optimize yield
- Optimize chemical separation procedure.

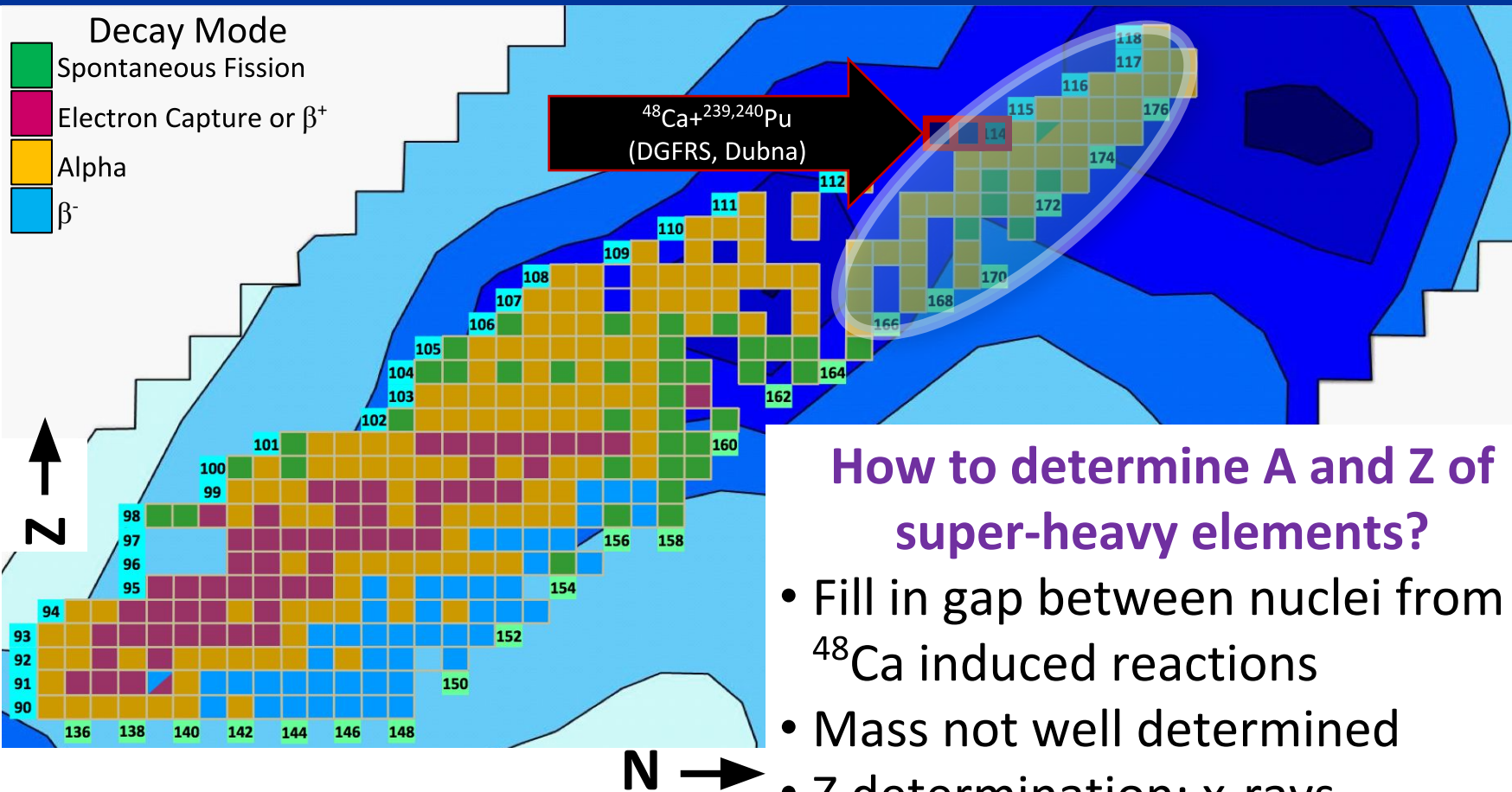
## Irradiation



*We need to know  $d^2\sigma / dE_n d\theta_n$  for thick target D-breakup*

# Caves 1 and 2: Home of the Super-Heavy Element (SHE) Program

## Chart of the Nuclides



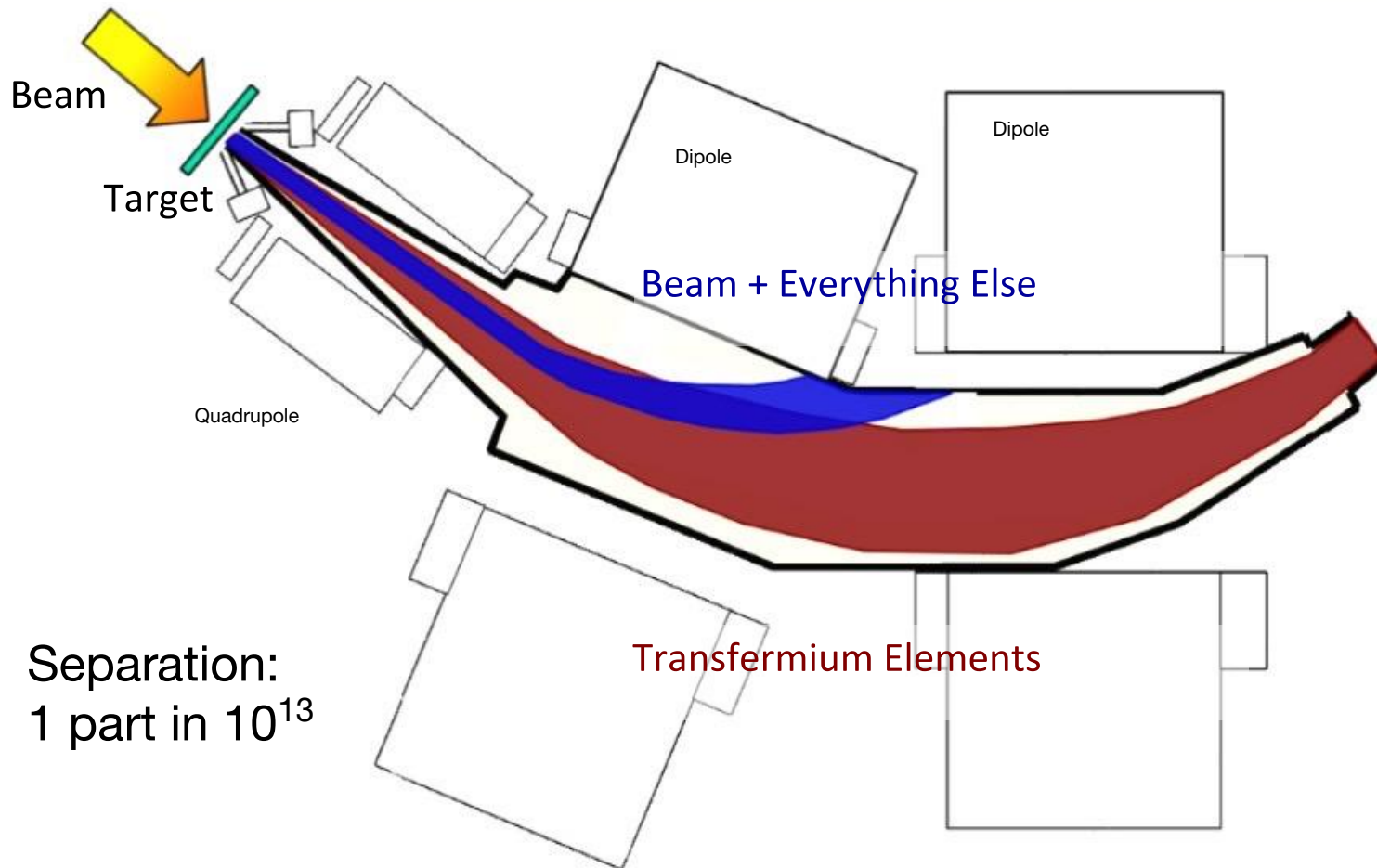
### How to determine A and Z of super-heavy elements?

- Fill in gap between nuclei from  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  induced reactions
- Mass not well determined
- Z determination: x-rays
- A determination: mass measurement

Shell effects from Sobiczewski et al: Phys. Rev. C 63 (2001) 034306



# Berkeley Gas-filled Separator (BGS)



### New Superheavy Element Isotopes: $^{242}\text{Pu}(^{48}\text{Ca}, 5n)^{285}\text{114}$

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The new, neutron-deficient, superheavy element isotope  $^{285}\text{114}$  was produced in  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  irradiations of  $^{242}\text{Pu}$  targets at a center-of-target beam energy of 256 MeV ( $E^* = 50$  MeV). The  $\alpha$  decay of  $^{285}\text{114}$  was followed by the sequential  $\alpha$  decay of four daughter nuclides,  $^{281}\text{Cn}$ ,  $^{277}\text{Ds}$ ,  $^{273}\text{Hs}$ , and  $^{269}\text{Sg}$ .  $^{265}\text{Rf}$  was observed to decay by spontaneous fission. The measured  $\alpha$ -decay  $Q$  values were compared with those from a macroscopic-microscopic nuclear mass model to give insight into superheavy element shell effects. The  $^{242}\text{Pu}(^{48}\text{Ca}, 5n)^{285}\text{114}$  cross section was  $0.6^{+0.9}_{-0.5}$  pb.

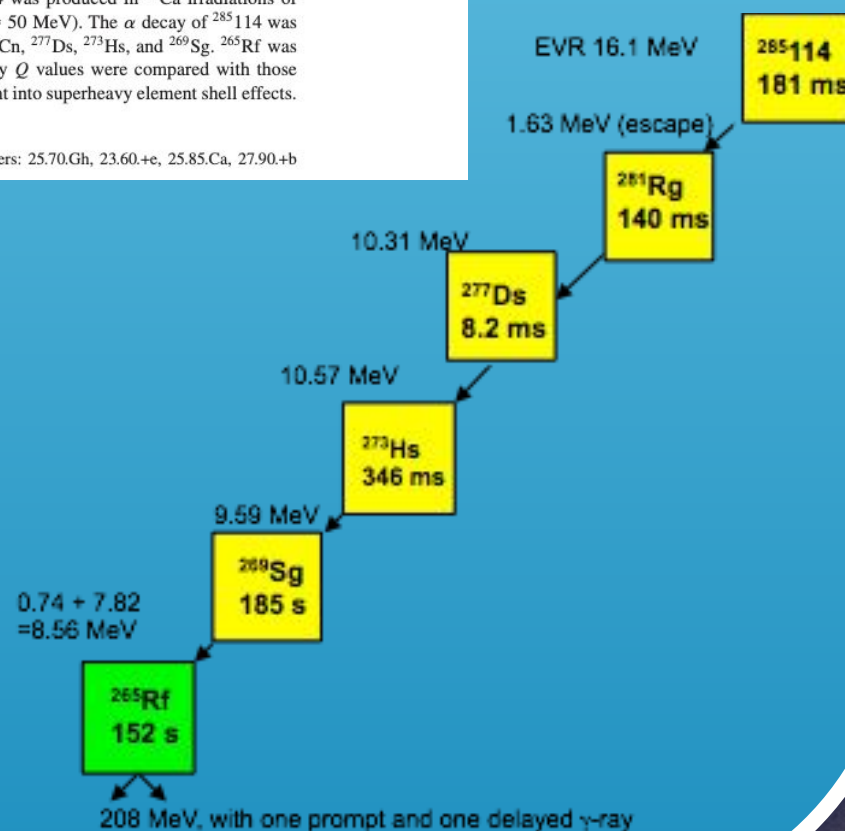
DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevLett.105.182701

PACS numbers: 25.70.Gh, 23.60.+e, 25.85.Ca, 27.90.+b

## Berkeley Gas-filled Separator (BGS)

Provides highly efficient and selective separation of SHE residues (separated from the beam)

Example: 7-week 24/7 experimental campaign with high intensity  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  yielded six new isotopes of Flerovium



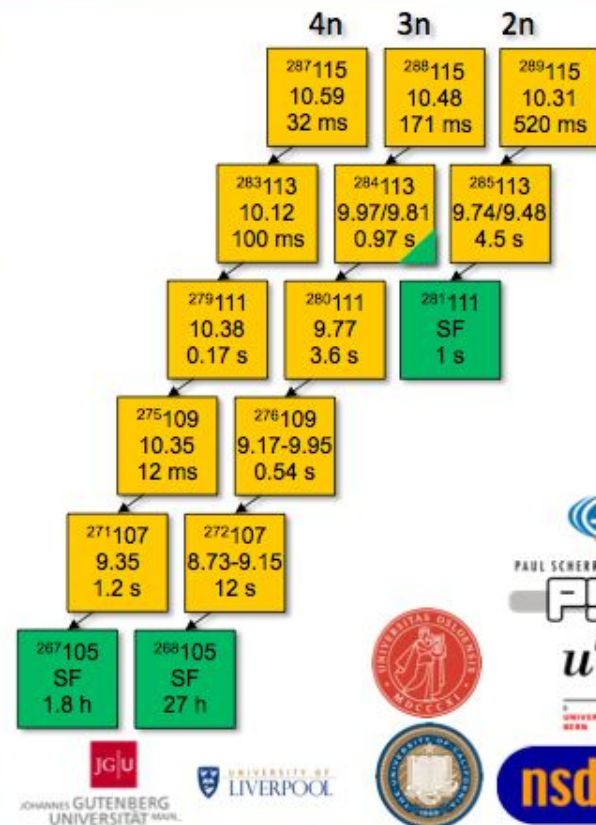
# Two Experiments on Decay Spectroscopy of E115

- $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{243}\text{Am}$  reaction investigated with TISISpec (GSI) and C3 (LBL)
- 46 events of element 115 were observed at LBL and 30 events of 115 observed with TISISpec
- Multiple  $\alpha$ -photon coincidences were observed between the two experiments

Rudolph: PRL **111** (2013) 112502

Rudolph: Acta Phys. Pol. B **45** (2014) 263

Gates: PRC **92** (2015) 021301R

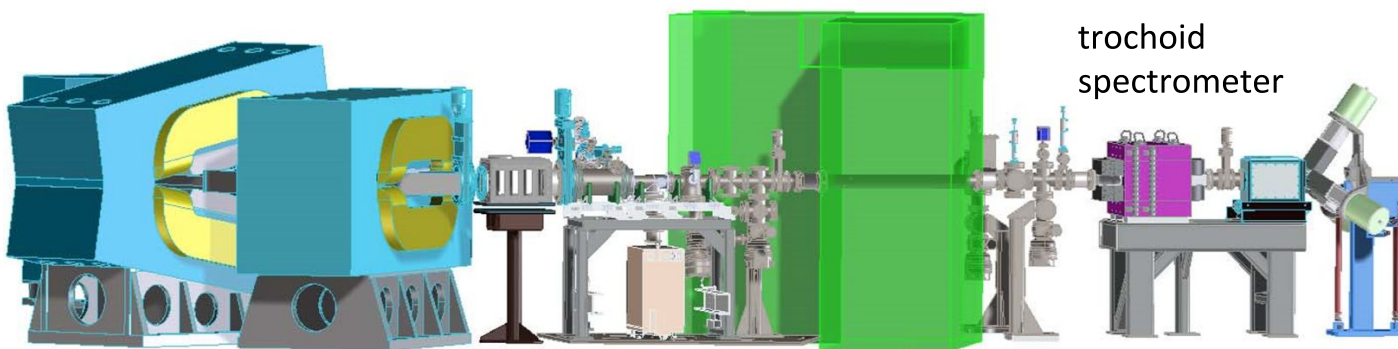
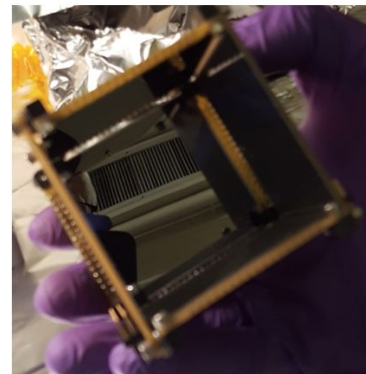
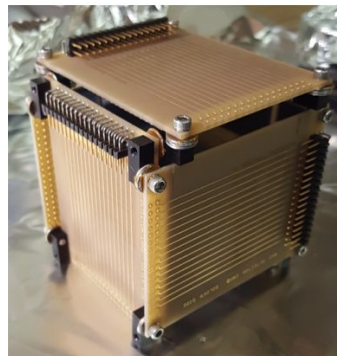


Pacificchem 2015: December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015



# First Scientific Campaign: Mass Number ID of E115

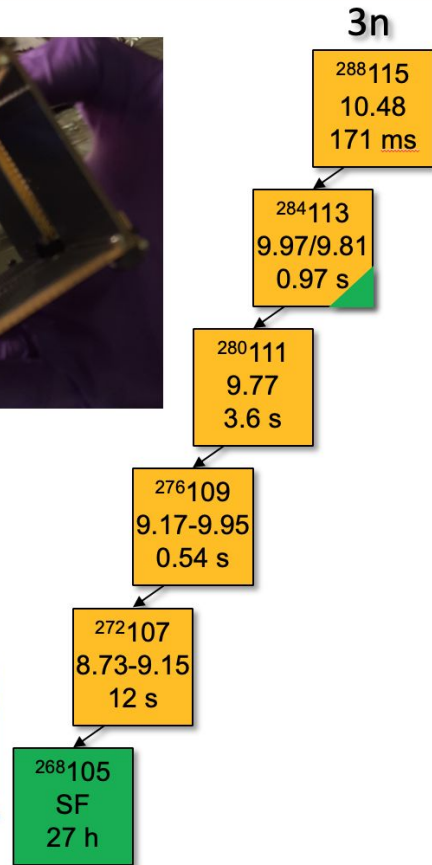
- Produced E115 using the  $^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{243}\text{Am}$  reaction at the LBNL 88" cyclotron
- First scientific result from FIONA using 30 days of beam time with an average intensity of 1  $\mu\text{A}$   $^{48}\text{Ca}$  beam



BGS

FIONA

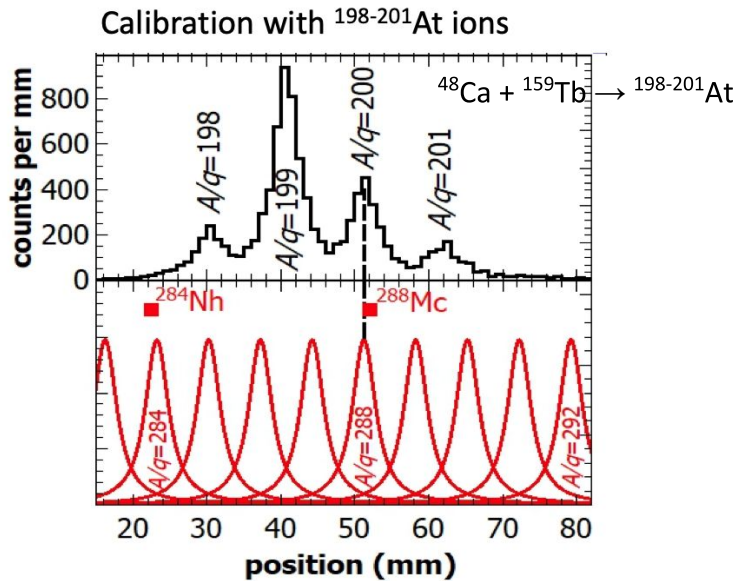
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Gates *et al.*: Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 222501 (2018)

Foot race: Japanese group looking to do a mass measurement.

# First Direct SHE Mass Number Measurement



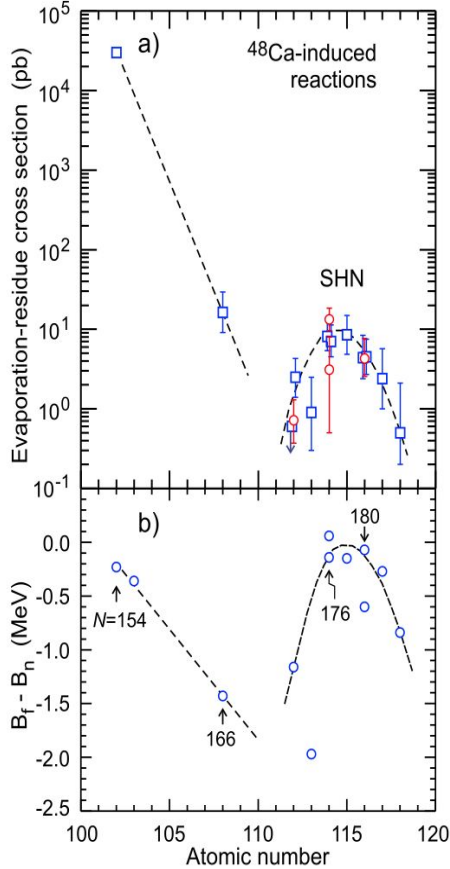
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## Confirm with Decay Measurements

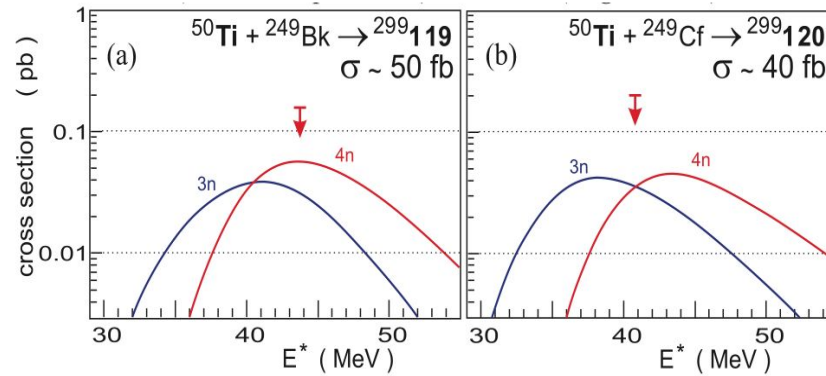
Decay Properties	Event Chain 1	Event Chain 2
10.2-10.6 MeV 159 ms <b><math>{}^{288}\text{Mc}</math></b>		<b><math>{}^{288}\text{Mc}</math></b> 10.29(6) MeV
9.98 MeV 0.94 s <b><math>{}^{284}\text{Nh}</math></b>	<b><math>{}^{284}\text{Nh}</math></b> 9.93(6) MeV	<b><math>{}^{284}\text{Nh}</math></b> unobserved
9.78 MeV 4.14 s <b><math>{}^{280}\text{Rg}</math></b>	<b><math>{}^{280}\text{Rg}</math></b> unobserved	<b><math>{}^{280}\text{Rg}</math></b> 9.70(6) MeV 9.998 s
9.10-10.0 MeV 0.63 s <b><math>{}^{276}\text{Mt}</math></b>	<b><math>{}^{276}\text{Mt}</math></b> unobserved	<b><math>{}^{276}\text{Mt}</math></b> 9.30(6) MeV 4.384 s
9.08 MeV 11.0 s <b><math>{}^{272}\text{Bh}</math></b>	<b><math>{}^{272}\text{Bh}</math></b> 9.19(6) MeV 34.376 s $\chi=22.4$ mm	<b><math>{}^{272}\text{Bh}</math></b> 9.02(6) MeV 2.324 s $\chi=51.9$ mm

First alpha decay  
in the gas  
catcher

# Predicted Cross Sections



Oganessian and Utyonkov (2015)



Zagrabaeu, Karpov, and Greiner (2013)

Run out of actinides for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ -induced reactions for E119, E120 production (need mg's of Es and Fm)

Experimental systematic and reaction theories generally suggest:

- $^{50}\text{Ti}$  induced reactions are better than  $^{51}\text{V}$ ,  $^{54}\text{Cr}$
- Cross sections will be a few tens of femto-barns



# BASE Facility Mission



*Solar filament, accompanied by a coronal mass ejection (CME), captured by the Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO) in September of 2012. Parts for SDO were tested at the BASE Facility.*

## Berkeley Accelerator Space Effects Mission:

**Support national security and other US space programs in the area of radiation effects testing.**

- Nearly all American spacecraft have had one or more parts tested at the 88-Inch Cyclotron BASE Facility.



*Examples of typical spacecraft.*

# 88-Inch Contributions to Space Exploration

Apollo 17 (experiment with lunar soil sample)

Solar Terrestrial Relations Observatory (STEREO)

Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO)

Parker Solar Probe

Genesis (Solar Wind Sample Return)

Messenger (Mercury)

Pioneer Venus

Van Allen Probes

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Landsat

Global Positioning System (GPS)

Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO)

Mars Pathfinder

Mars Polar Lander

Mars Climate Orbiter

Mars Exploration Rover (MER) / Spirit & Opportunity Rovers

Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) / Curiosity Rover

Mars Atmosphere & Volatile Evolution (MAVEN)

Mars Odyssey

Phoenix (Mars)

ExoMars

InSight (Mars) Lander

Dawn (Asteroid Belt)

Galileo (Jupiter)

Juno (Jupiter)

Europa Clipper (Jupiter)

Cassini-Huygens (Saturn)

Voyager (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune)

New Horizons (Pluto)

Stardust (Comet Sample Return)

Deep Space 1 (Comet & Asteroid Flyby)

Atlas Launch Vehicles

Delta Launch Vehicles

Space Shuttle

Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle

International Space Station (ISS)

James Webb Space Telescope

Spitzer Infrared Telescope Facility

Swift Gamma-Ray Burst Mission

...and many more!



# Radiation Effects Testing: The Early Days

1859: A solar coronal mass ejection hits the Earth, damaging (even burning down) telegraph stations and electrically shocking operators in the U.S. and Europe. Northern and southern auroras visible **simultaneously** from high elevations near the equator. It is known today as the “Carrington Event”.

1958: America’s first satellite, Explorer I, discovers the Van Allen belts.

1959: Operation Argus nuclear test over the south Atlantic Ocean creates the **first artificial radiation belt** around the Earth.

1961: The **88-Inch Cyclotron** comes online and produces its first internal ion beam.

1962:

- An American nuclear weapons test known as “Starfish Prime” was conducted in space over the Pacific Ocean. The explosion damaged electrical grid components, knocked out streetlights, set off burglar alarms, and shutdown telephone communications in Hawaii. Radiation belts created by the blast eventually cripple multiple satellites in low Earth orbit, including Telstar 1 (the first commercial telecom satellite) and Ariel 1 (the UK’s first satellite).
- Soviet “Test 184” over Kazakhstan **caused fires** and **destroyed a civilian power plant** in the city of Karaganda. It also shuts down and damages telephone lines, radio, and RADAR equipment over a span of hundreds of miles.
- Wallmark and Marcus postulate that single particles could upset electronic devices as they got smaller.<sup>1</sup>



*Starfish Prime explosion as seen from Honolulu in 1962.*

1. “Minimum size and maximum packing density of non-redundant semiconductor devices”, *Proc. IRE*, vol. 50, pp. 286-298, Mar. 1962.

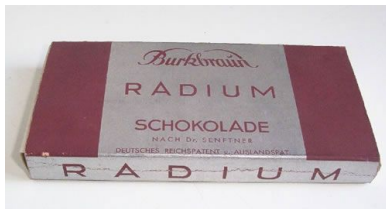


# Early Radiation Effects

Early radiation effects testing focused on a handful of areas:

- Total Ionizing Dose Effects: Caused by cumulative (displacement) damage to the semiconductor lattice from ionizing radiation over time.
- Transient Effects: Caused by the rapid, high-intensity pulse of radiation, typically occurring during a nuclear explosion.
- Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Effects: Caused by a short burst of electromagnetic radiation that transfers energy via electric field, magnetic field, electromagnetic radiation, and electrical conduction.

These early effects laid the groundwork for the discovery of single event effects, and continue to have an impact to this day.



Radium chocolate - 1930's Germany.

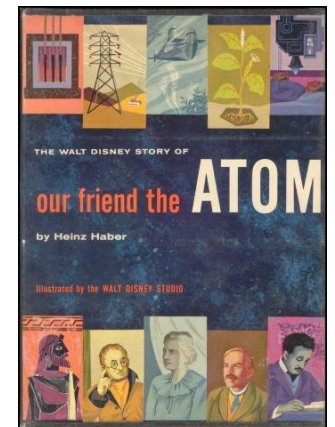


The first and only test (codename "Grable") of the M65 atomic cannon at the Nevada Test Site in 1953.



"Radium Girls" - circa 1922. United States Radium Corporation.

Disney's "Our Friend the Atom" book from 1956. There was also a Disney cartoon episode by the same name the following year.



# Collision Course

1972: A Hughes satellite suffers a temporary (96-second) failure. Hughes researchers (Binder, Smith, and Holman) suspect a cosmic ray induced single event upset. After much difficulty in getting it accepted, they succeed in publishing a paper. ***Nobody in the radiation effects community really believes them.***

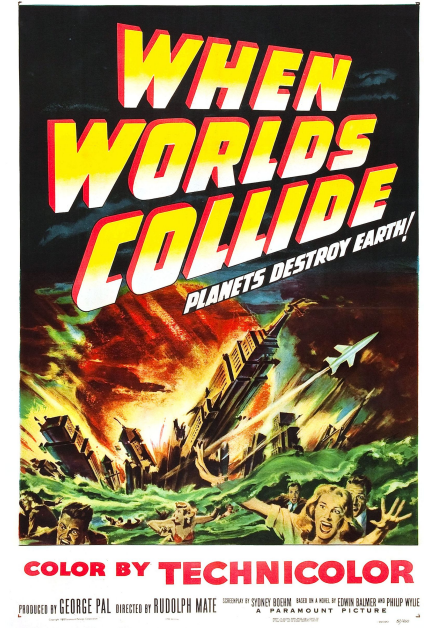
1978: Intel Corporation discovers that alpha particles from naturally occurring isotopes in computer chip packaging is causing errors and malfunctions. ***Finally, engineers start paying attention.***

1979: The ***very first*** “single event effects” test in the world is performed at Berkeley Lab’s 88-Inch Cyclotron by the Aerospace Corporation. The test was only permitted after “much pleading”, since the Cyclotron researchers were uninterested in such a “mundane engineering experiment”.<sup>2</sup> ***Single Event Effects and the 88-Inch Cyclotron collide!***

1984: The first U.S.-based Electron Cyclotron Resonance (ECR) ion source begins operation at the 88-Inch Cyclotron. ***Cocktail beams*** were developed for single event effects testing.

1989: A solar flare and coronal mass ejection flare strike the Earth in March. Several military and civilian satellites are damaged. Space Shuttle Discovery experiences hydrogen fuel cell anomalies. Power grid goes down in Quebec. Some people concerned that a nuclear first-strike is in progress. Five months later in August, ***another*** solar storm shuts down Toronto’s stock market for 3 hours.

1990s: In unrelated news, Radiation effects testing at the 88 increases to 15-20% of the total beam time.



2. "The Single Event Revolution," Peterson, Koga, Shoga, Pickel, & Price, IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science, Vol. 60, No. 3, June 2013.

# Single Event Effects

**Single-Event Effect (SEE):** Any measurable or observable change in state or performance of a microelectronic device, component, subsystem, or system (digital or analog) resulting from a single energetic-particle strike.

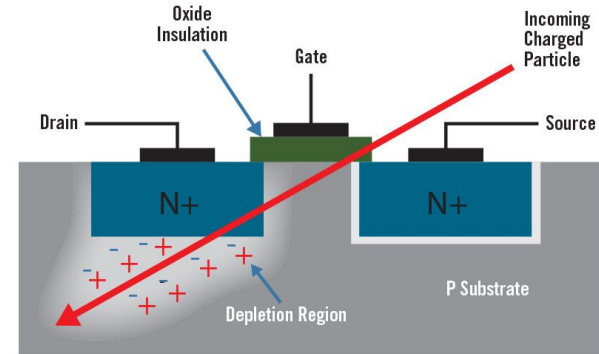
## Examples of Single Event Effects:

**Single-Event Upset (SEU):** A soft error caused by a single ionizing particle striking a sensitive node.

**Single-Event Latchup (SEL):** An abnormal high-current state with loss of device functionality; requires cycling power to restore operation.

**Single-Event Burnout (SEB):** High-current state in a device that results in catastrophic failure.

**Single-Event Functional Interrupt (SEFI):** A soft error affecting a device's internal control signals that causes it to reset, lock-up, or otherwise malfunction.



*Courtesy of  
COTS  
Journal*

## Causes of SEE's:

- Cosmic rays
- Solar
- Natural isotopes
- Van Allen belts
- Nuclear weapons
- Fission

## Sampling of Upsets, Unclassified (1970s & 80s)

### Spacecraft

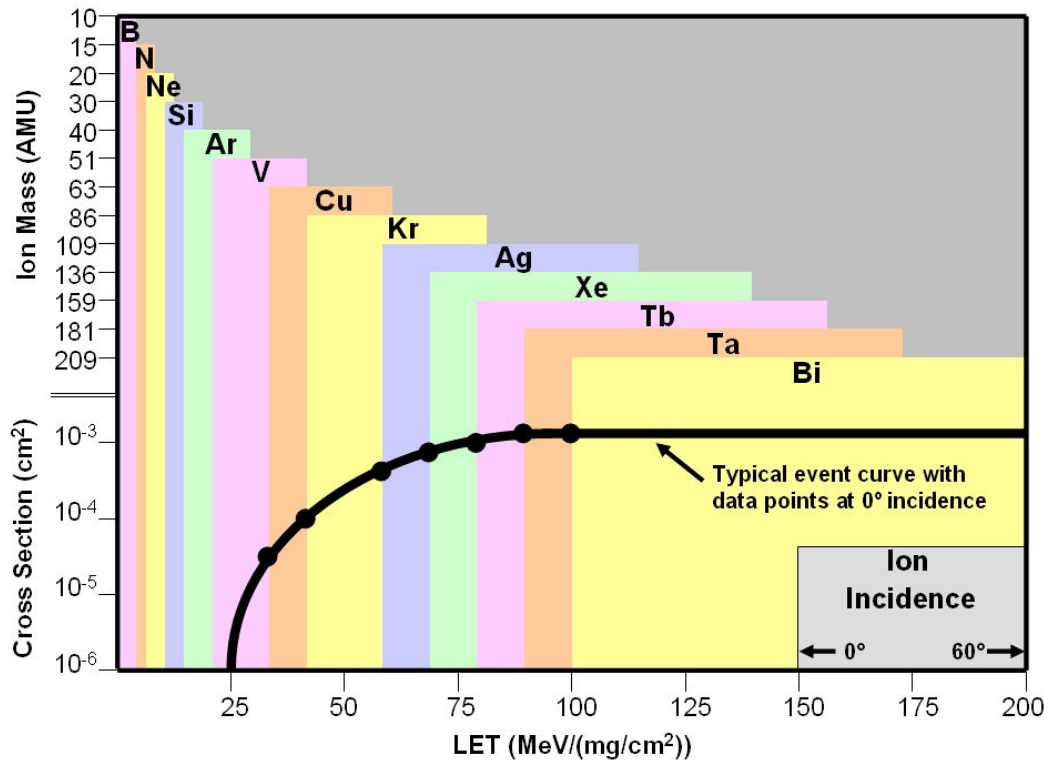
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Galileo  
LES 8 & LES 9

### Failure

TTL Flip-Flop  
CMOS Memory  
TL RAM, PMOS Shift Register  
Potential CMOS RAM SEL  
NMOS Memory  
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Possible CMOS PROM SEL  
TTL Flip-Flop



# SEE & Cocktails



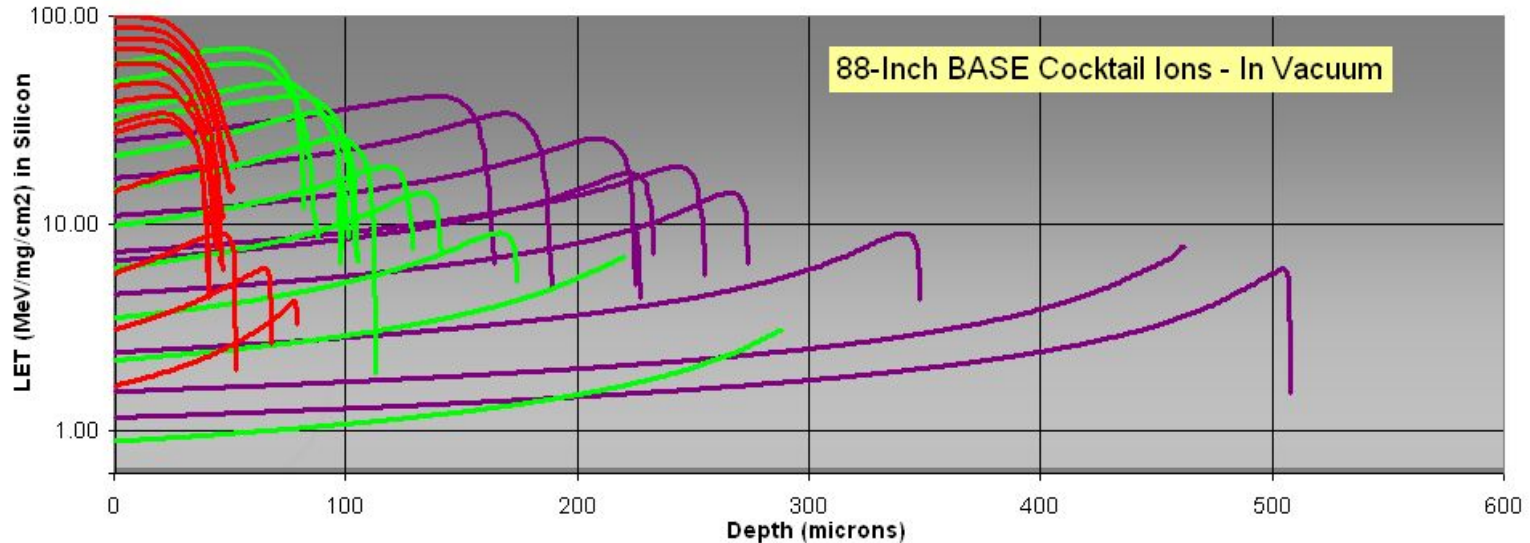
## What is a 'Cocktail'?

- Multiple ion species are injected into the Cyclotron simultaneously, which are then selected and separated by simply changing the frequency.
- Normally, it would take hours to retune the Cyclotron to a new ion. With our ion sources, we can change ions in less than 3 minutes.



*A nuclear cocktail with mushroom cloud.*

# BASE Cocktails



## Legend:

4.5 AMeV

10 AMeV

16 AMeV

## New:

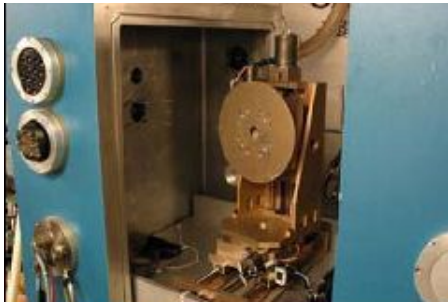
20 AMeV (incl. Xe)

25 AMeV up to Kr?

- Cocktails allow users to efficiently deposit the right amount of energy at the desired depth.
- High LET ions are the most difficult to tune out of the machine, but thanks to ion source and Cyclotron improvements, we can achieve very high fluxes for even our heaviest ions.
- MARS will allow for higher energy cocktails.

# BASE Facility Layout & Capabilities

## Heavy Ions, Low Energy Protons, Microbeams



### Cave 4B

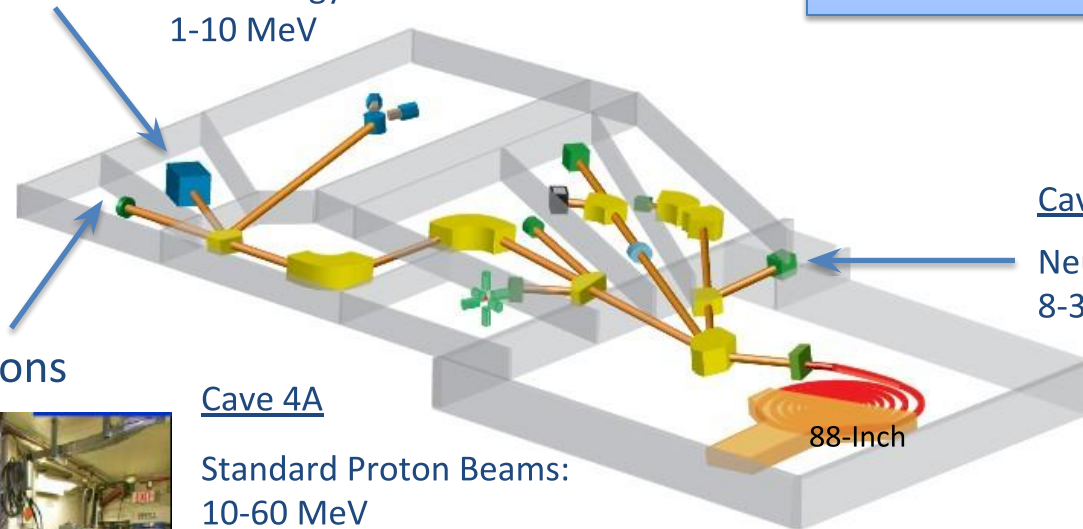
Standard Cocktail Beams:  
4.5, 10, 16, and 20 AMeV

Up to  $1E6$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec

Low Energy Protons:  
1-10 MeV

“One-stop” facility for radiation effects testing:

- Heavy Ions
- Light Ions
- Protons
- Low Energy Protons
- Neutrons
- Microbeams



## Light Ions, Protons



### Cave 4A

Standard Proton Beams:  
10-60 MeV

Up to  $1E9$  protons/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec

Light Ion Cocktails:  
30 and 32.5 AMeV

### Cave 0

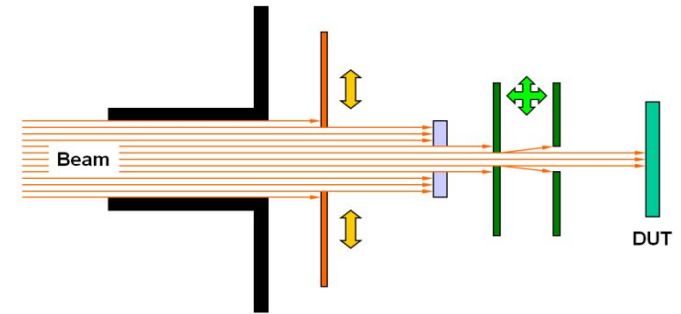
Neutrons:  
8-30 MeV



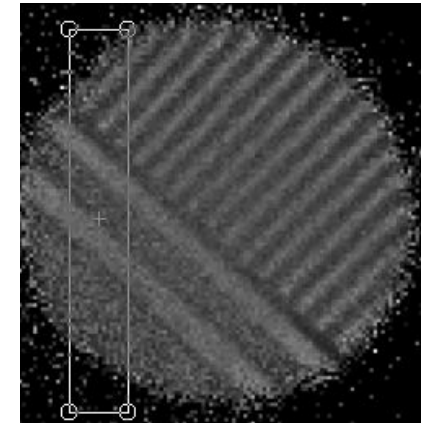


# BASE Microbeams

- As semiconductor parts become more miniaturized, new modes of failure appear. A new capability is needed: **Microbeams**
- Chip testers already test *whole* components, but increasingly need to isolate and probe *small sections* of their parts to pinpoint problems.
- 88-Inch is unique in being able to provide the highly parallel beams needed in vacuum
- Two recent microbeam efforts at the Cyclotron:
  - Micro-RDC: Diffuse, high-intensity parallel beam, collimated with precision slits. 10 micron resolution
  - Sandia: Optical reconstruction of low intensity beam. 5 micron resolution

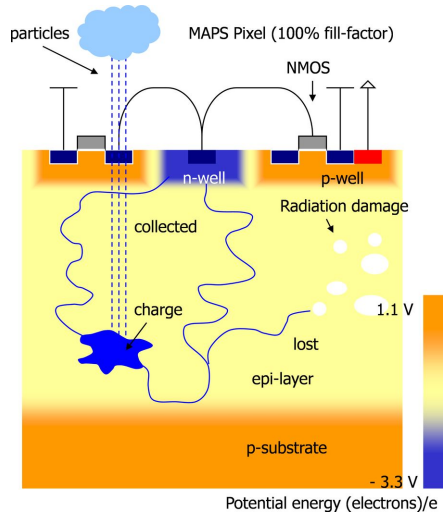


Micro-RDC – 10 um resolution



Sandia – 5 um resolution

# Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor (MAPS)

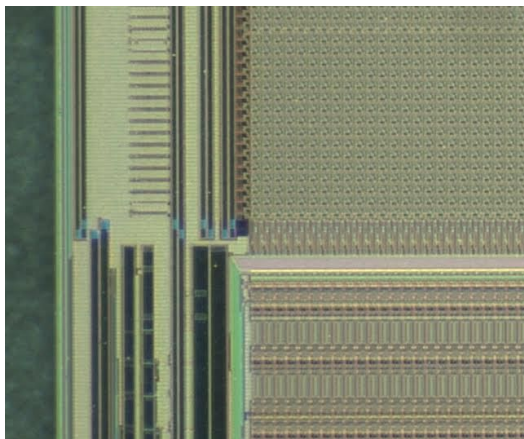


MAPS Diagram

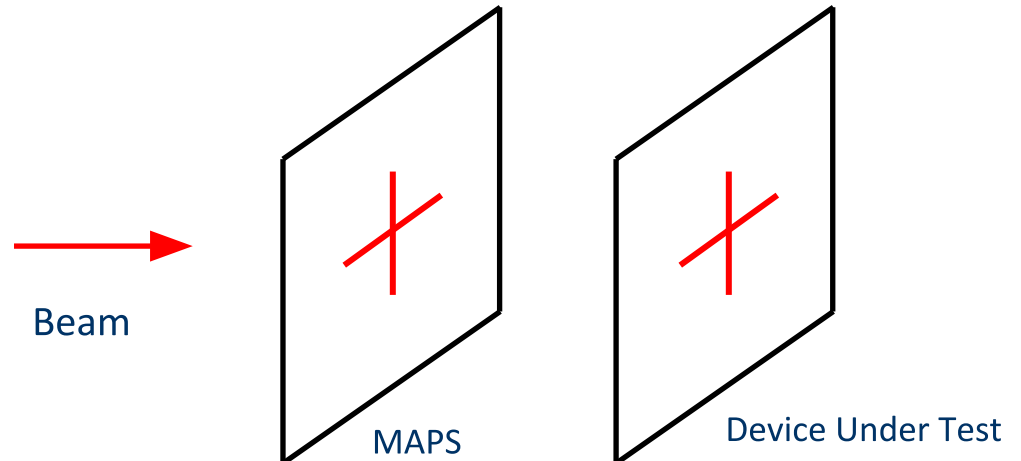
- Beam positioning with CMOS sensors
- Developed for the STAR Heavy Flavor Tracker (HFT) at RHIC by Berkeley Lab researchers
- Repurposed for the BASE Facility
- Approximately 22-micron pixel size
- 50 microns thick
- Better than 10-micron resolution
- Excellent solution for BASE microbeams



Heavy Flavor Tracker at RHIC

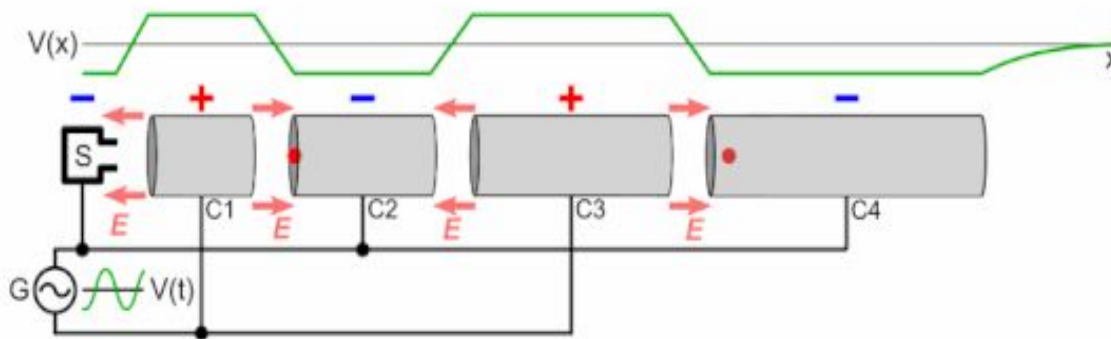


MAPS Sensor



# Booster LINAC

- Higher energies needed to get through silicon overlayers
- Collaboration between 88-Inch Cyclotron and SLAC
- Air Force, NASA have expressed strong interest
- Connect at the output of the cyclotron
- Immediate goal of 25 AMeV cocktail; 100-250 AMeV possible
- Potential to eliminate (expensive) chip de-lidding and test as you fly!



LINAC  
Beam Direction 

High-energy  
Beam Output



# Cyclotron Concerns

## Funding:

- Air Force and NASA agreements
- National Academies study of SEE infrastructure
- Getting more support from the operations side of DOE

## Hardware:

- Spare parts and upgrades
- Cooling tower is failing
- Vacuum, vacuum, vacuum
- We will eventually need to fix cooling water pipes inside the Cyclotron itself; currently using “band-aid” approach



*Loctite (threadlocker) and Seal-Up (radiator sealant) used for plugging holes in 88-Inch cooling systems*

## Personnel:

- Impact on reliability
- Technical staff, rad workers
- Bureaucracy and red tape

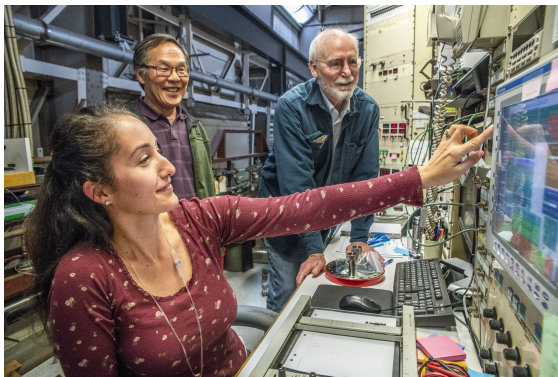
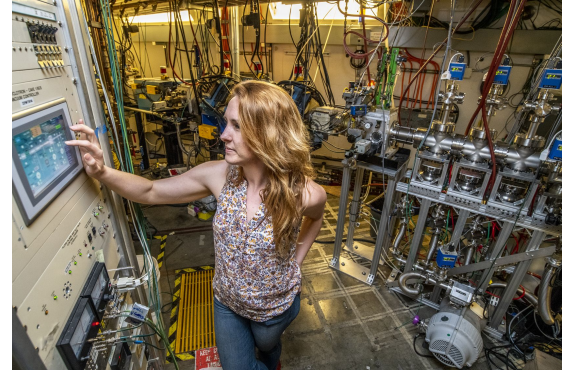


*Building the 88-Inch Cyclotron. Internal cooling water lines are shown.*

# People

- Humans are expensive (80% of our \$8 million/year operating costs). BUT...
- ...at the end of the day, the *most valuable resource* we have at the 88-Inch Cyclotron is PEOPLE.
- Thanks to the ingenuity of our staff and researchers, we keep reinventing our facility to do things the original designers *never could have imagined*. As such, we will always have a need for individuals with **expert skills, sound reasoning ability, and brilliant creativity**\*\*\* who are willing to both work with AND challenge the current paradigm.

\*\*\*Do not try this at home. These are not actors. They are real 88-Inch Cyclotron people.

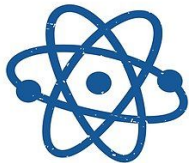




# Summary

- ECR ion source development = fountain of youth for the 88" Cyclotron. (MARS ion source is next)
- Turn-key neutron beams added in the last 5 years.
- SHE program is looking to increase its beam time usage, more experiments where mass identification is useful (FIONA), and possibly for an element 120 search (2000 hours/year)
- For the radiation effects side of the 88-Inch program, several parallel efforts are in progress to help with the challenges of testing satellite technology:
  - MARS ion source (higher beam energy & intensity, improved facility reliability)
  - Booster LINAC (path to *significantly* higher beam energy)
  - Microbeam & MAPS Detector (precision testing)
- The 88-Inch Cyclotron is a *versatile, flexible, and adaptable* accelerator for both basic research and physics/engineering applications. Combined with the right *people*, there are untold possibilities.

NEVER TRUST AN  
**ATOM**



**THEY MAKE UP  
EVERYTHING**



Why do we need cyclotrons?



■ To increase mankind's understanding of the universe

■ To figure out how to build a lightsaber