

## **Current nuclear-reaction research at ATLAS**

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## **Overview**

### **ATLAS facility overview**

- Re-accelerated CARIBU beams (new EBIS source)
- In-flight radioactive beams

### **Nuclear reaction studies**

- Sub-barrier fusion
- Astrophysical reactions
- Coulomb excitation
- Transfer reactions (HELIOS)

#### **New Instrument developments**

- Argonne Gas-Filled Separator
- Argonne In-flight Radioactive Ion Separator
- **Summary**

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## **ATLAS Accelerator Complex**

- Ion sources
	- ECR II for stable beams
	- CARIBU <sup>252</sup>Cf fission fragments
		- low energy beamlines
		- New Electron Beam Ion source
- ATLAS Argonne Tandem Linac Accelerator System (now without Tandem)
	- Room temp RFQ + 51 individually phased superconducting accelerating resonators
- **Experimental areas** 
	- Area II
		- Gas stopper and RFQ cooler to prepare slow beams
		- Beta Paul trap
	- Area III & IV
		- ATSCAT large 36" diam scattering chamber
		- Spectrograph, MUSIC II Astrophysics studies
		- HELIOS HELIcal Orbit Spectrometer Inverse kinematics transfer reactions
		- Gammasphere / GRETINA gamma-ray studies of nuclear structure
		- FMA fusion evaporation product identification  $m/q$  resolution small solid angle
		- AGFA fusion evaporation products large solid angle

## **ATLAS suite of experimental equipment**



#### **Main components of CARIBU**

- **PRODUCTION: "ion source" is <sup>252</sup>Cf source inside gas catcher** 
	- **Thermalizes fission fragments**
	- **Extracts all species quickly**
	- **Forms low emittance beam**
- **SELECTION: Isobar separator**
	- **Purifies beam**
- **DELIVERY: beamlines and preparation**
	- **Switchyard**
	- **Low-energy buncher and beamlines**
	- **Charge breeder to Increase charge state for postacceleration**
	- **Post-accelerator ATLAS and weak-beam diagnostics**





- Removing stable beam contamination of reaccelerated beams from ECR charge breeder
	- Concept developed and demonstrated by accelerator R&D group
	- Provides two important gains versus ECR charge breeding at CARIBU
		- Higher charge breeding efficiency demonstrated for pulse injection operation (ANL tests at BNL EBIS … and now operating off-line at ANL)
		- UHV system leads to stable beam background suppression
	- Main goal: suppression of stable beam contaminants
	- As a bonus, gain in intensity for reaccelerated CARIBU beams
		- Light fission peak 17-21% (25-30%) for EBIS+buncher vs. 4-6% for ECR
		- Heavy fission peak 16-20% (20-25%x0.8) for EBIS+buncher vs. 8-12% for ECR



## **EBIS charge breeder operating**

- Charge distribution narrower than with ECR CB  $\rightarrow$  higher efficiency in one M/Q
- Beam dominated by charge-bred injected beam, not background from the source



# Nuclear Reaction studies

## Sub-barrier fusion

## **Sub-barrier fusion hindrance - discovery**



## **Barrier distribution, logarithmic derivative, S-factor**

■ **Barrier distribution**: 
$$
B(E) = d^2(\sigma E)/dE^2
$$

- **Logarithmic derivative:**  $L(E) = \frac{d(ln \sigma E)}{dE}$  $dE$
- Relationship :  $B(E) = \sigma E \left[ \frac{dL(E)}{dE} \right]$  $+ (L(E))^{2}$
- Advantages:
	- $L(E)$ uses only first derivatives of x-section
	- Sudden rise  $\rightarrow$  fusion hindrance
	- Model independent
- S-factor (astrophysical)
	- $S(E) = \sigma E e^{(2\pi\eta)}$ , where
	- $\eta$ = Sommerfeld parameter:  $\eta = Z_1 Z_2 e^2/(\hbar v)$
- Relationship :  $\frac{dS}{dE}$  $= S(E) \left[ L(E) - \frac{\pi \eta}{E} \right]$  $\overline{E}$
- S-factor maximum:  $L(E) = \frac{\pi \eta}{E}$  $\frac{\epsilon H}{E}$ , OR

• 
$$
L_{cs}(E) = \frac{0.495 Z_1 Z_2 \sqrt{\mu}}{E^{\frac{3}{2}}}(MeV^{-1})
$$

Rowley et al. Phys. Lett. B 254, 25 (1991)

Jiang et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 052701 (2002)



## **Nuclear structure effects and systematics**



**Observation:** S-factor maximum follows Simple empirical systematics

Jiang *et al.* Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 012701 (2004)



## Astrophysics

## r-process and rp-process measurements



## **MUlti Sampling Ionization Chamber (MUSIC)**

#### Active target: *e.g.* 4He gas



#### **Experimental** traces  $4.5E$  $3.5$  $\Delta E$  (MeV)  $\overline{2}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $-{}^{23}$ Na beam 1.5  $-{}^{23}\text{Na}(\alpha,\alpha')^{23}\text{Na}$  $-$ <sup>23</sup>Na(α,p)<sup>26</sup>Mg<br>-<sup>23</sup>Na(α,n)<sup>26</sup>Al  $0.5$ 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 6 7  $\Omega$  $\mathbf{3}$  $\Delta$ 5 Strip  $10^2$  $\widehat{\mathsf{E}}$   $\stackrel{10}{\mathsf{E}}$ <sup>23</sup>Na( $\alpha$ ,p)<sup>26</sup>Mg higher energy <sup>23</sup>Na( $\alpha$ ,p)<sup>26</sup>Mg lower energy <sup>23</sup>Na( $\alpha$ ,n)<sup>26</sup>Al lower energy  $10$ <sup>23</sup>Na( $\alpha$ ,n)<sup>26</sup>Al higher energy -- StM calculations by P. Mohr  $10^{-}$  $2.5$  $\overline{3}$  $\frac{3.5}{E_{c.m.} (MeV)}$  $5.5$ 4.5 -5 Avila et al., Phys. Rev. C 94, 065804 (2016)

Experimental results

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## **The <sup>23</sup>Na(***α,p***) <sup>26</sup>Mg reaction Simultaneous measurement of (***α,p***) and (***α,n***) reactions**

Avila et al., Phys. Rev. C 94, 065804 (2016)

**The <sup>23</sup>Na(***α,p***) <sup>26</sup>Mg reaction directly influences the production of <sup>26</sup>Al in massive stars**



## **The <sup>17</sup>F(***α,p***) <sup>20</sup>Ne reaction**



Avila (ANL), Rehm (ANL), Santiago-Gonzalez (LSU), Talwar (ANL)

## **<sup>12</sup>C+10,14,15C fusion: Implications for X-ray bursts**



- **Fusion between neutron-rich nuclei is important for** understanding the energy production through pycnonuclear reactions in the crust of neutron stars.
- We have performed the first measurements of the total fusion cross sections in the systems  $10,14,15C+12C$  using a new active target-detector system, MUSIC.
- In the energy region accessible with existing radioactive beams, a good agreement between the experimental and theoretical cross sections is observed. This gives confidence in our ability to calculate fusion cross sections for systems which are outside the range of today's radioactive beam facilities.

*Fig. 2: Solid points: Experimental data for the S factors in the fusion reactions 10,12,13,14,15C +<sup>12</sup>C. Open circles: Experimental data for 12,13C+<sup>12</sup>C from literature. Solid lines: Theoretical S factors for the systems 10,12,13,14,15C+<sup>12</sup>C taken from the calculations of Yakovlev et al.. Dashed line: Theoretical S factor for the system <sup>19</sup>C+<sup>12</sup>C.*

 $E_{cm}$  (MeV)

Carnelli *et al.* Phys. Rev. Lett. **112**, 192701 (2014)

## **The <sup>26</sup>Al<sup>m</sup>(***d,p***) <sup>27</sup>Al reaction**

Almaraz-Calderon (FSU), Rehm (ANL), Avila (ANL), Santiago-Gonzalez (LSU), Talwar (ANL)

- <sup>26</sup>Al<sup>g</sup> (5<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>1/2</sub> = 7.4x10<sup>5</sup> y) is observed in the Galaxy via the 1.8-MeV γ-ray line.
- <sup>26</sup>Al in the Galaxy is mainly destroyed via <sup>26</sup>Al(*p*,γ)<sup>27</sup>Si reactions.



Credits: MPE Garching/Roland Diehl

- Low-lying proton captures on  $^{26}$ Al<sup>m</sup> (0<sup>+</sup>, E<sub>ex</sub>=0.228 MeV,  $t_{1/2}$  = 6.3 s) could influence the destruction of <sup>26</sup>Al in the Galaxy.
- We are studying the <sup>26</sup>Al<sup>m</sup>(d,p)<sup>27</sup>Al reaction to obtain spectroscopic information of the relevant resonances in  $27$ Si via its mirror nucleus  $(27$ Al).



C. Iliadis *et al.* Astrophys. J. Suppl. Ser. **142**, 105 (2002).

## **Reaction rate for carbon burning in massive stars**

**Topic:** Carbon burning, *i.e.*, <sup>12</sup>C+ <sup>12</sup>C fusion is an important route for the production of elements with mass A>20 in the final phases of massive stars >20 $M_{\odot}$  or type Ia supernovae.



**Data: Particle-γ** coincidence measurements allow for clean measurements of the fusion cross section at low bombarding energies.

**Results:** Clean measurements obtained over the range  $E_{cm}$ =2.68-4.93 MeV allows for more reliable extrapolation to lower energies of relevance for stellar carbon burning..

**Outlook:** A dedicated, longterm measurement using this technique could yield reliable measurements in the Gamow window for carbon burning.

Clean events  $\omega$  E<sub>cm</sub>=2.84 MeV



## Coulomb excitation of re-accelerated beams

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## **Confirmation of Octupole Deformation in heavy Ba**

#### **Experiment:**

- . <sup>146</sup>Ba CARIBU re-accelerated beam
- **E** CHICO-2 and GRETINA
- **Coulomb excitation using 3000 ions/sec**
- Separation of  $144,146$ Ba from contaminants other than isobars made by the measured two-body kinematics: Time-of-flight difference vs. scattering angle;

#### **Results**

- ٠ <sup>146</sup>Ba: B(E3;3−→0+) = 48<sup>+21</sup><sub>-29</sub> W.u.
- $\blacksquare$ <sup>144</sup>Ba: B(E3;3−→0+) = 48<sup>+25</sup><sub>-34</sub> W.u.
- Dipole strength:  $144$ Ba, B(E1) strength is two orders of magnitude larger than it is in <sup>146</sup>Ba;
- The measured E3 strengths are the same in 144Ba and <sup>146</sup>Ba, despite the two orders of magnitude difference in B(E1) strengths in these two nuclei.
- **The results demonstrate, for the first time, the** significant impacts of the shell effects on the nuclear intrinsic dipole moments.



B. Bucher, S. Zhu *et al*., Phys. Rev. Lett. in press



## **Strength of octupole correlations in neutron-rich Ba**



#### 06.06.16 SCIENCE HIGHLIGHT

B. Bucher *et al*., Phys. Rev. Lett. **116**, 112503 (2016).

#### Confirmed: Heavy Barium Nuclei Prefer a Pear Shape

Cutting-edge experiment with a beam of radioactive barium ions provides direct evidence of nuclear pear-shape deformation. Read More »



## Transfer reactions in inverse kinematics

## **Inverse kinematics – wide applications**





## **Measure θ or z (in magnetic field)?**





## **HELIOS – HElical Orbit Spectrometer**







## d(<sup>28</sup>Si,p)<sup>29</sup>Si, 6 MeV/A <sup>28</sup>Si on 84 µg/cm<sup>2</sup> CD<sub>2</sub> target, B= 1.915 T





## **<sup>12</sup>B(d,p) – First published HELIOS result**





## **Angular distributions for 11,12B(d,p)**

Normalize angle-dependent efficiency,  $\varepsilon(z)$  Use  $\varepsilon(z)$  to obtain d $\sigma/d\Omega$  and relative strengths



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Apr 10, 2010 27 comments

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Events



#### **Black hole twins spew gravitational** waves

Apr 11, 2010 0 13 comments

Stars less metallic than we thought



#### Argonne lab tackles exotic nuclei

Apr 9, 2010

First results obtained from new Helical Orbit Spectrometer



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## **Results from HELIOS**



First Experiment with HELIOS: The Structure of <sup>13</sup>B

B. B. Back, S. I. Baker, B. A. Brown, C. M. Deibel, S. J. Pardo, K. E. Rehm, J. P. Schiffer, D. V. Shetty, A. W. Va Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 132501 (Published March 31, 20

Illustration: Courtesy of **HELIOS/Argonne National** Laboratory

• Nuclear Physics

## **<sup>15</sup>C(d,p) – spect. factors for 0<sup>+</sup> , 2<sup>+</sup> ,3<sup>+</sup> states in <sup>16</sup>C**



Wuosmaa *et al.*, PRL, **105**, 132501 (2010)

**Question: Are the motions of the protons and neutrons decoupled in <sup>16</sup>C?** 

**B(E2) W.U.**

**0.26 Imai** *et al***. PRL 92, 62501 (2004) <sup>16</sup>C scattering 0.28 Elekes et al., PLB 586, 34 (2004) <sup>16</sup>C scattering 1.73 Wiedeking** *et al***, PRL 100, 152501 (2008) Fusion-evap**



Recoil

## **HELIOS data for <sup>15</sup>C(d,p)<sup>16</sup>C**



## **<sup>15</sup>C(d,p) angular distributions**



Wuosmaa *et al.*, PRL, **105**, 132501 (2010)

Curves are DWBA calculations with various optical-model potentials.

Spectroscopic factors obtained from the average over four sets of OMP.

Relative uncertainties in SF dominated by OMP variations Absolute uncertainty (~30%) from beam-integration uncertainty

#### **Conclusion**

•Relative spectroscopic factors agree with SM calculations  $-$  strongly mixed  $0<sup>+</sup>$  and  $2<sup>+</sup>$  states •The B(E2) measured by the LBL group is also consistent with SM calculations

## **Neutron single-particle strength in <sup>20</sup>O**

- <sup>19</sup>O(d,p)<sup>20</sup>O @ 6.9 MeV/u
- In-flight secondary beams
	- $^{18}$ O @ 8.1 MeV/u on cryo cooled D $_{\rm 2}$ gas target (1400 mbar)
	- $-$  ~10<sup>5</sup> pps
- **CD**<sub>2</sub> solid target:  $260 \mu g/cm^2$



#### **2008 19O(d,p)**

- 8 states identified up to 7 MeV
	- Absolute  $\sigma$  from deuteron scattering (20%)
		- **Angular distributions** 
			- Distorted wave Born approximation
	- $-$  Identified  $l = 0.3$ <sup>+</sup> level at 5.23 MeV

![](_page_38_Figure_6.jpeg)

![](_page_38_Figure_7.jpeg)

## **<sup>19</sup>O(d,p)<sup>20</sup>O results**

![](_page_39_Figure_1.jpeg)

- Distorted wave analysis to extract spectroscopic factors
	- Normalized to  ${}^{16}O(d,p){}^{17}O$  data
	- 30% uncertainty in total
	- 12% relative to one-another
- Checks w/ sum rules  $\&$  <sup>18</sup>O(d,p)<sup>19</sup>O data
- Superb reproduction of strength by sd shell interactions
- Some strength to 2p-2h (1p-1h) dominated states
	- $-$  0<sup>+</sup> @ 4.46 MeV
	- 4.99 or 5.64 MeV states
- $SOLID \rightarrow I = 0$  HATCHED  $\rightarrow I = 2$

$$
G_{+} = \frac{2J_f + 1}{2J_i + 1}C^2S,
$$

## **<sup>136</sup>Xe(d,p) – single neutron strength near N=82**

![](_page_40_Figure_1.jpeg)

## **The h9/2– and i13/2+ neutron strength in <sup>137</sup>Xe**

Absolute cross sections have an estimated uncertainty of  $\pm$ 15%

Relative spectroscopic factors extracted using the Ptolemy code and appear to be self-consistent.

Kay et *al.*, Phys. Rev. C **84**, 024325 (2011)

![](_page_41_Picture_68.jpeg)

\*Determined in this work

\*\*If assumed 13/2+

## *N* **= 82 so far … results fall nicely into systematics**

![](_page_42_Figure_1.jpeg)

 $\pi$  +  $\rho$  tensor interaction courtesy of T. Otsuka (priv. comm., 2007)

## **Study of Proton-Hole States in Light Nuclei**

- Investigated through single-proton removal reactions
- **Provides complementary information to the** neutron data
- **Additional experimental challenges**
- $\mathcal{C}$  $14,15C(d,3He)$ <sup>13,14</sup>B – Track proton-hole strength around  $N = 8$  shell gap

![](_page_43_Figure_5.jpeg)

![](_page_43_Figure_6.jpeg)

## **The 0**n**2**b **Decay Landscape**

![](_page_44_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_44_Figure_2.jpeg)

What is changing in the anatomy of initial and final states by precision studies of transfer reactions, e.g., **valence nucleon compositions** and **correlations**

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= (Phase Space Factor)  $\times$  Nuclear Matrix Element $\vert^2 \times \vert \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle \vert^2$  $[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}]^{\cdot}$ 

1p

![](_page_45_Figure_2.jpeg)

- QRPA calculation before measurement Rodin et al., Nucl .Phys. A (2006)
- B QRPA calculation after measurement Suhonen et al., Phys. Lett. B (2008)
- C Shell model calculation after measurement Caurier et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2008)

**IMPACT:** Factor of  $\approx$ 2 in the calculated matrix element

J. P. Schiffer et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2008); BPK et al., Phys. Rev. C (R) (2009)

 DETERMINE what is changing in the anatomy of initial and final states by precision studies of transfer reactions, e.g., **valence nucleon compositions** and **correlations**

# Instrumentation developments

## Argonne Gas-Filled Analyzer AGFA

## **AGFA: Unique design by David Potterveld**

![](_page_48_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### **FEATURES:**

Compact design – two magnets, length 3.7- 4.3 m Quad: vertical focusing - Dipole: 38° bend and horizontal focusing Gammasphere at target position – solid angle 22.5 msr Small focal plane – one DSSD implantation detector  $B\rho$ -max: 2.5 Tm

![](_page_48_Picture_4.jpeg)

 $48$ Ca +  $208$ Pb →  $254$ No + 2n  $E_{\text{beam}}$  = 220 MeV

- 1 Torr He, 5 x 2 mm beam spot
- $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}$ <sup>254</sup>No angular distr: Gaussian,  $σ = 51$  mr
- $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}$ <sup>48</sup>Ca stripped, (C foil)  $q_{bar} = 17.1$
- $\blacksquare$  89% of <sup>254</sup>No transported to focal plane
- $\blacksquare$  71% fall within a 64 x 64 mm<sup>2</sup> DSSD
- **Solid angle to DSSD is 22.5 msr.**
- **Beam is well separated.**

![](_page_49_Figure_9.jpeg)

![](_page_50_Figure_1.jpeg)

## **Gammasphere move and refurbishment**

- **New Gammasphere support frame**
- **New Gammasphere cable support**
- **Gammasphere moved to AGFA November 2016**
- **All Gammasphere detectors being refurbished**
- Replacement of LN2 valves

![](_page_51_Picture_6.jpeg)

## **AGFA status**

#### **STATUS Feb 2017**

- **Magnets, vacuum chambers, power supplies** installed.
- **Gammasphere moved to AGFA**
- Commissioning: June-July 2017

- Sept. 2016 PAC:
	- 9 AGFA proposals submitted
	- Approved:
		- **AGFA Commissioning (Seweryniak, ANL)**
		- $\Box$ <sup>255</sup>Lr spectroscopy (Clark, LBNL)
		- Ē. <sup>254</sup> No high spin spectroscopy (Korichi, Orsay)
		- $\blacksquare$  $32S + 89Y$  fusion hindrance (Jiang, ANL)

![](_page_52_Picture_12.jpeg)

![](_page_52_Figure_13.jpeg)

![](_page_52_Picture_14.jpeg)

AIRIS

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## **AIRIS Location within ATLAS**

![](_page_54_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### **Ex Principle of operation: Magnetic Separation**

![](_page_55_Figure_1.jpeg)

## **Test setup with intercepting oil jets**

#### **Guy Savard, Tony Levand**

### **Concept:**

- Two oil jets of .020" diameter impinging in vacuum.
- Rotate the film by offsetting the jets from outside the chamber.
- Pressure is  $\approx$  250 psi.

### **High intensity test:**

- .  $40$ Ar at 10-15  $\mu$ A
- 4 days stable operation
- **no deterioration**
- $I<sub>beam</sub>$  20 times gas target tolerance
- **no degradation of beamline vacuum**

![](_page_56_Figure_12.jpeg)

Oil film area

![](_page_56_Figure_14.jpeg)

## **Summary of Expected In-Flight Beams**

![](_page_57_Figure_1.jpeg)

See AIRIS web site for more details: www.phy.anl.gov/airis

# Summary

## **Summary**

#### **ATLAS capable to provide a wide range of beams**

- **IF Intense stable beams from protons to uranium**
- Radioactive beams produced by the in-flight method
- Re-accelerated, neutron-rich beams from <sup>252</sup>Cf fission

#### **Nuclear reactions studies in:**

- Astrophysics reactions w. radioactive beams MUSIC and other instruments
- Heavy-ion fusion reactions at sub-barrier energies: Fusion hindrance
- Coulomb excitation of re-accelerated CARIBU beams
- $\blacksquare$  Transfer reactions in inverse kinematics HELIOS:
- **New capabilities:**
	- $\blacksquare$  EBIS ion source clean reaccelerated CARIBU beams
	- AGFA studies of heavy elements, proton emitters,  $100$ Sn region etc.
	- AIRIS enhanced in-flight beam production to all target stations

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