

Coulomb excitation of nuclei around ^{132}Sn

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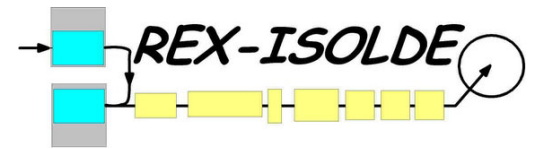
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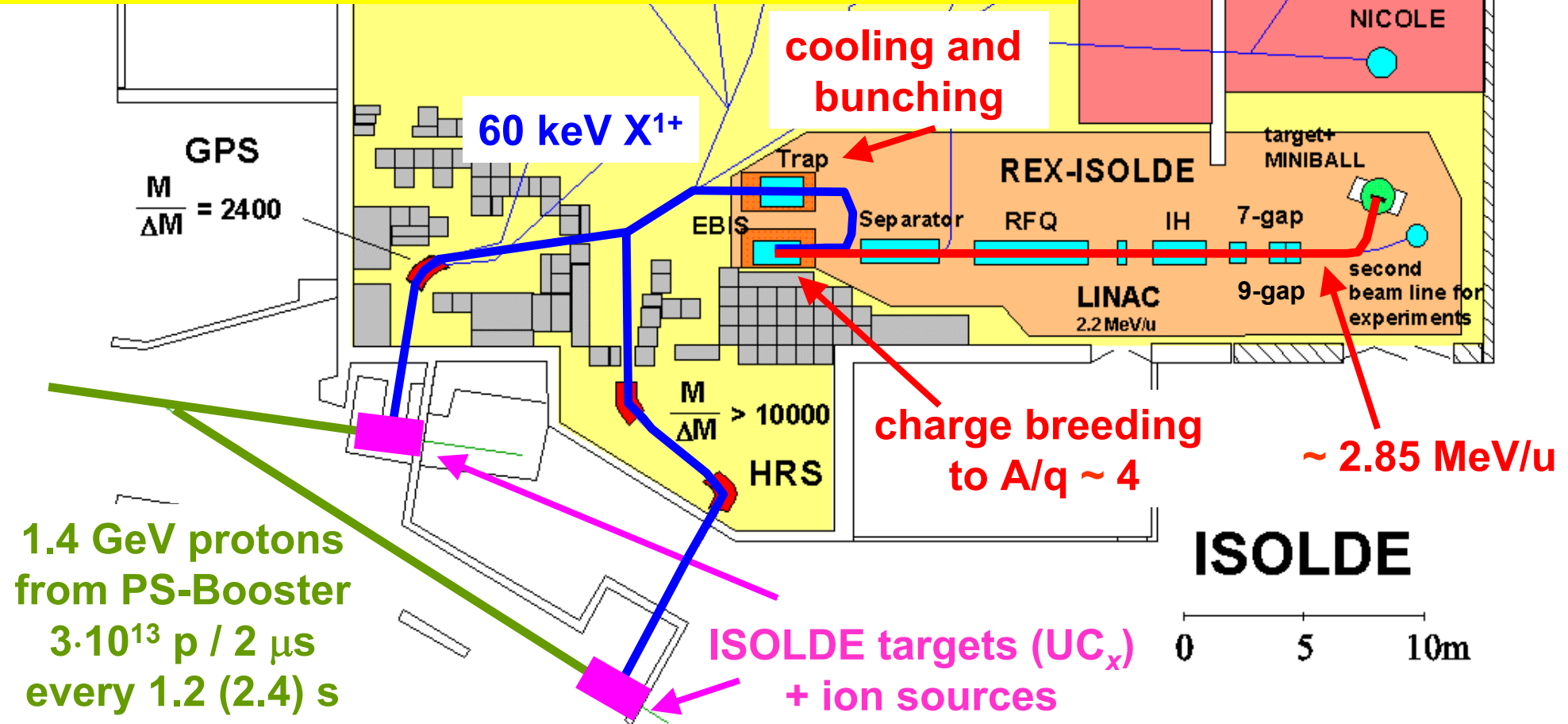
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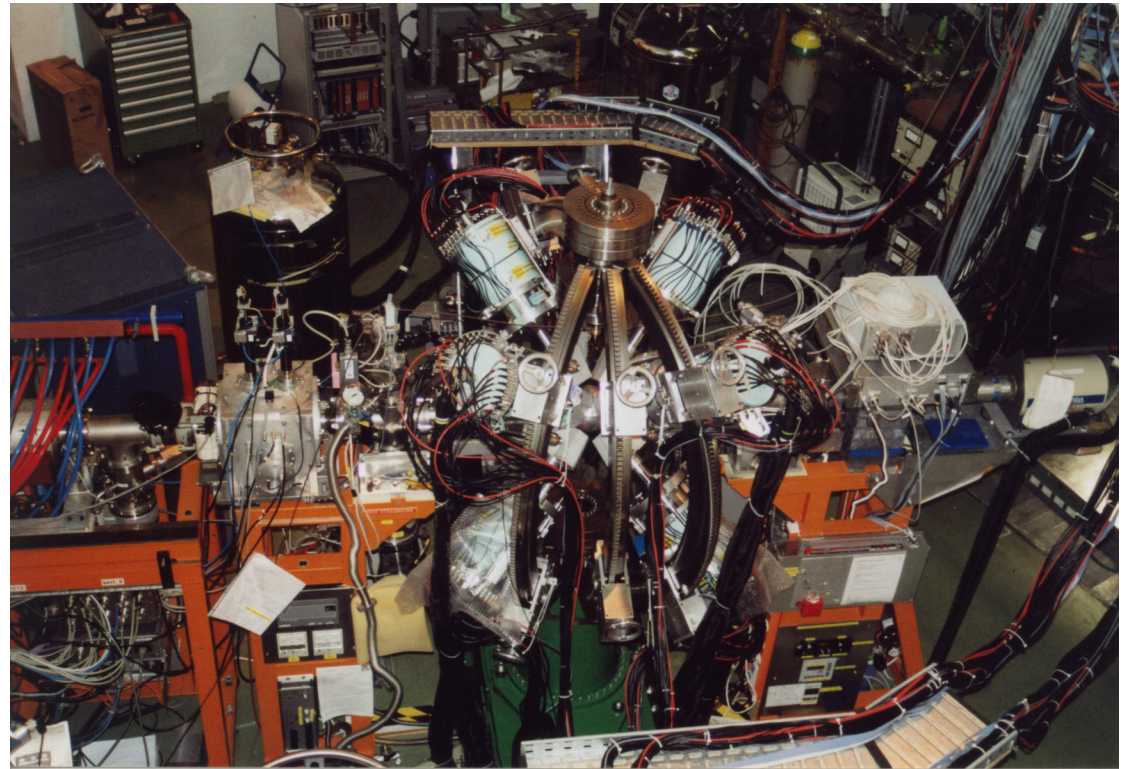
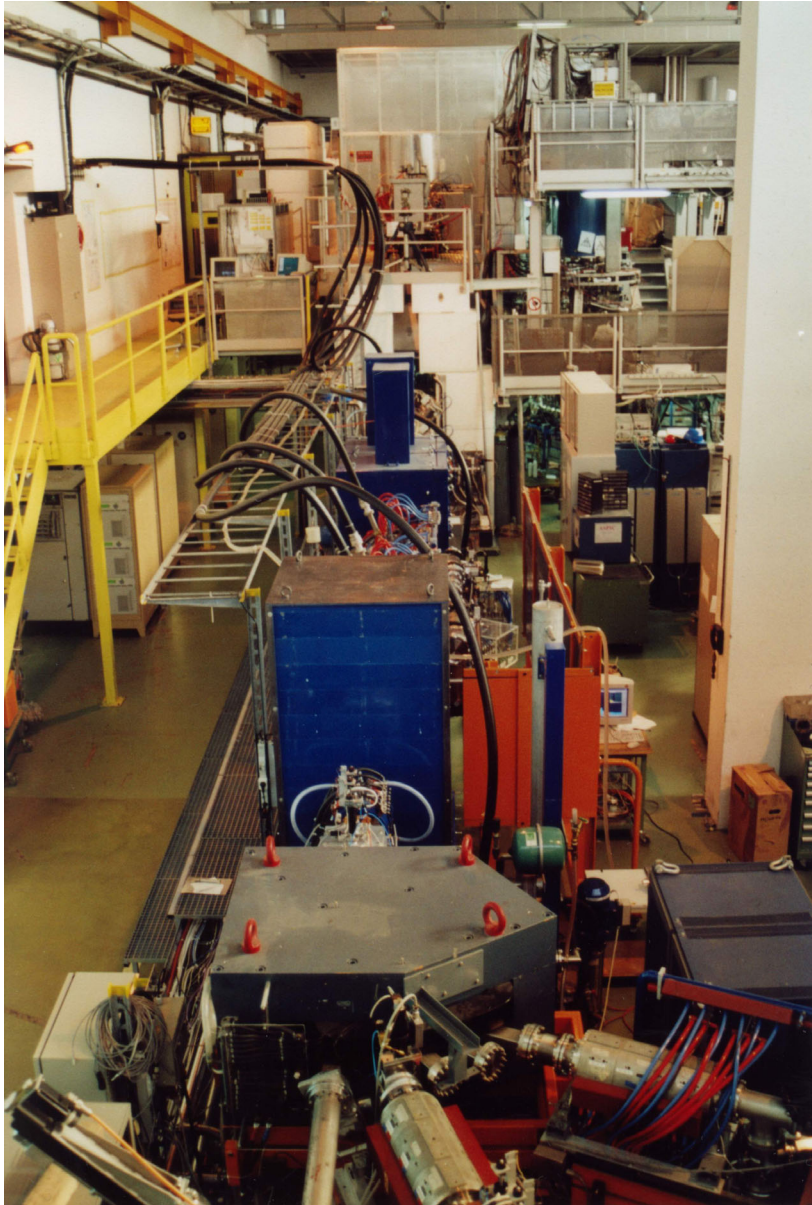
REX-ISOLDE



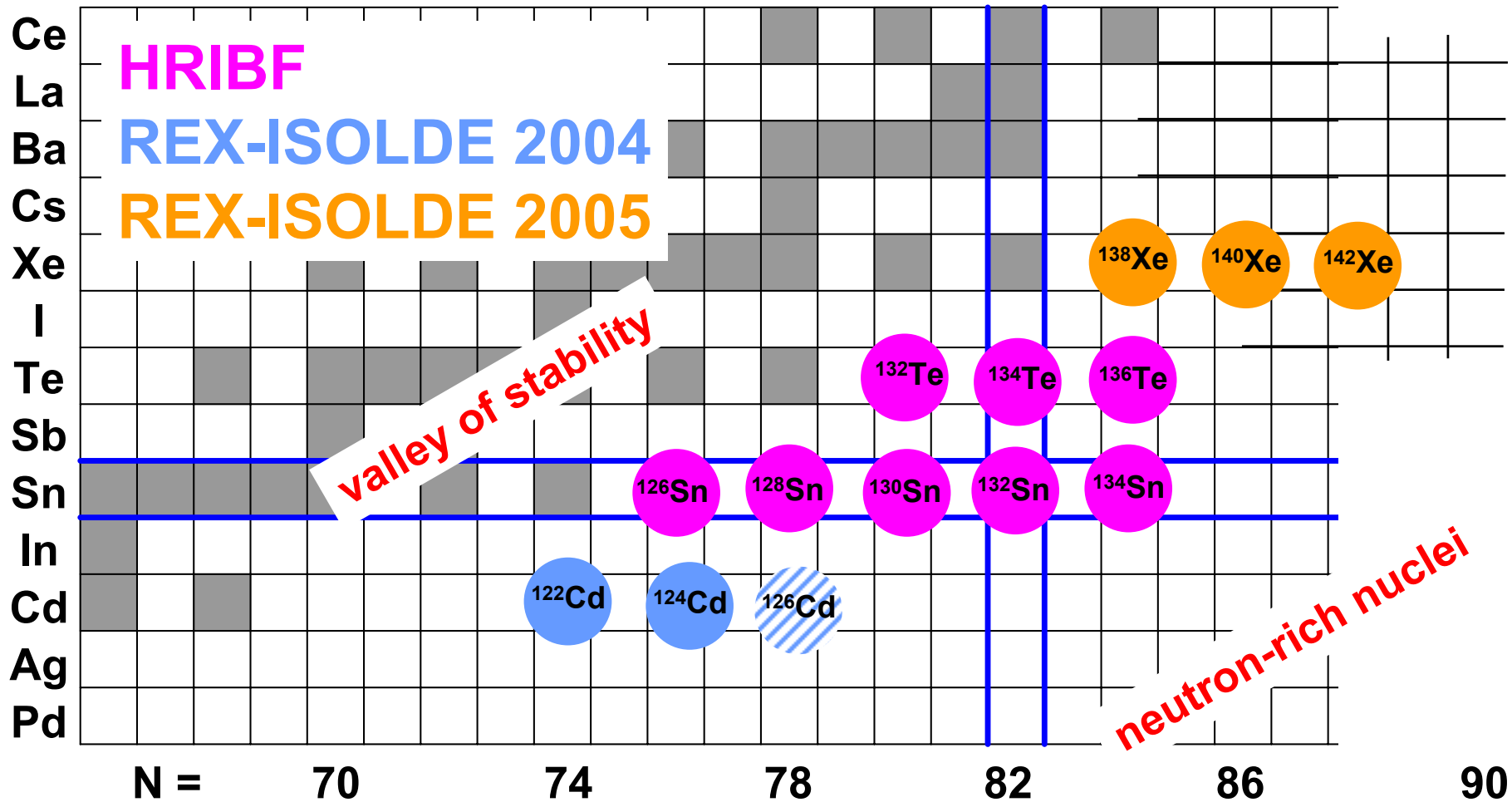
- ISOLDE started operation in 1967 (1992 with PSB)
- >850 exotic isotopes have been produced
- REX project started in 1995
- first beam on target in 2002 (... ~40 RIBs up to now)



REX-ISOLDE & MINIBALL 2004



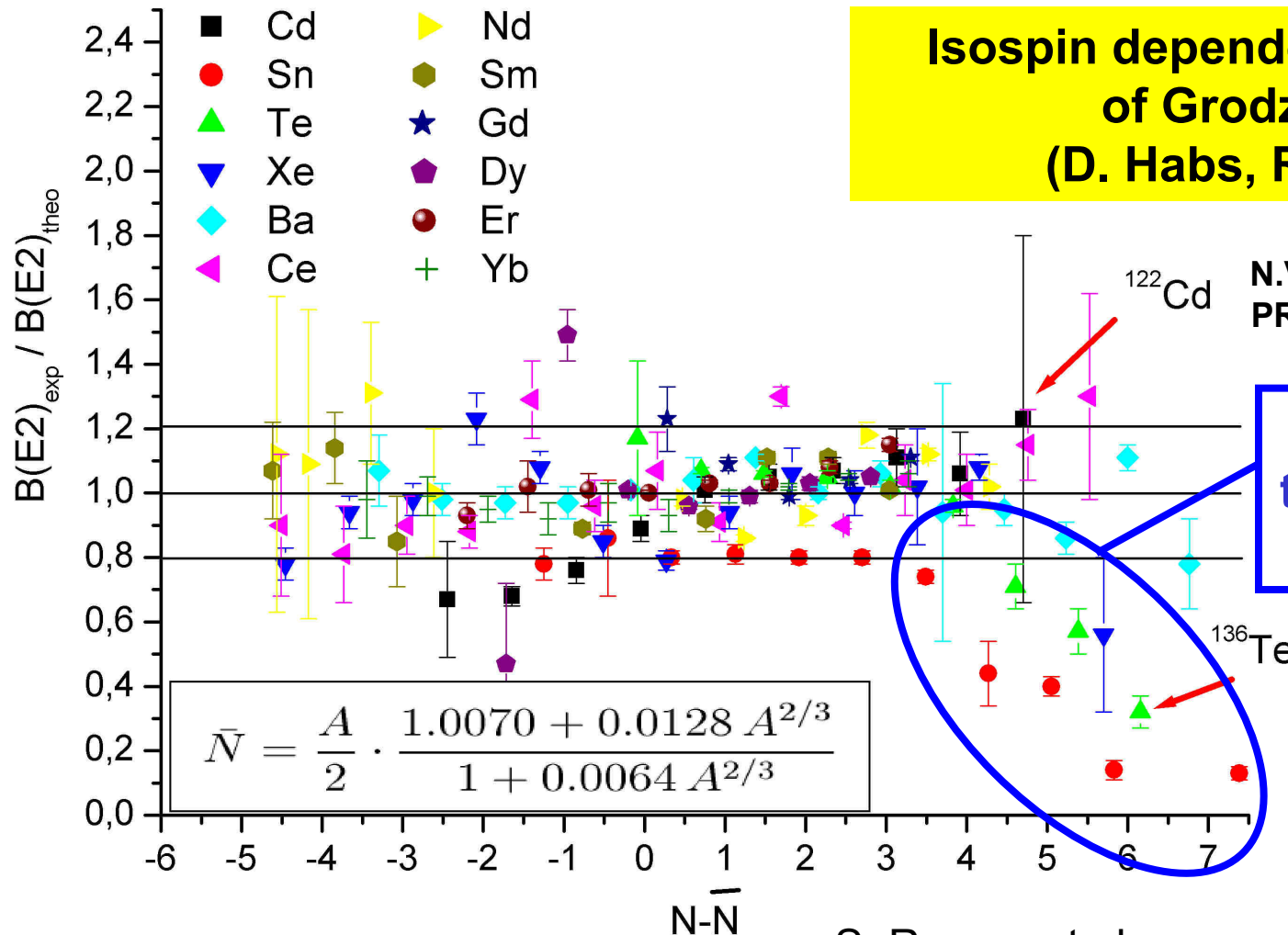
Region of interest



... Cd and Xe are beams unique to ISOLDE

Phenomenological systematics

$$E(2_1^+) * B(E2 \uparrow)_{theo} = 2.57 Z^2 A^{-2/3} (1.288 - 0.088(N - \bar{N}))$$



Isospin dependent modification of Grodzins' rule (D. Habs, R. Krücken)

B(E2) smaller than expected from systematics

¹²²Cd N.V. Zamfir et al., PRC 51, 98 (1995)

¹³⁶Te D. Radford et al., PRL 88, 222501 (2002) INPC 2004, ENAM '04
Recent experiment indicates 30% larger B(E2) values!!!
 C. Baktash, MAFF '05

S. Raman et.al., Atom. Data and Nucl. Data Tables 78, 1 (2001)

Preparation of the beams

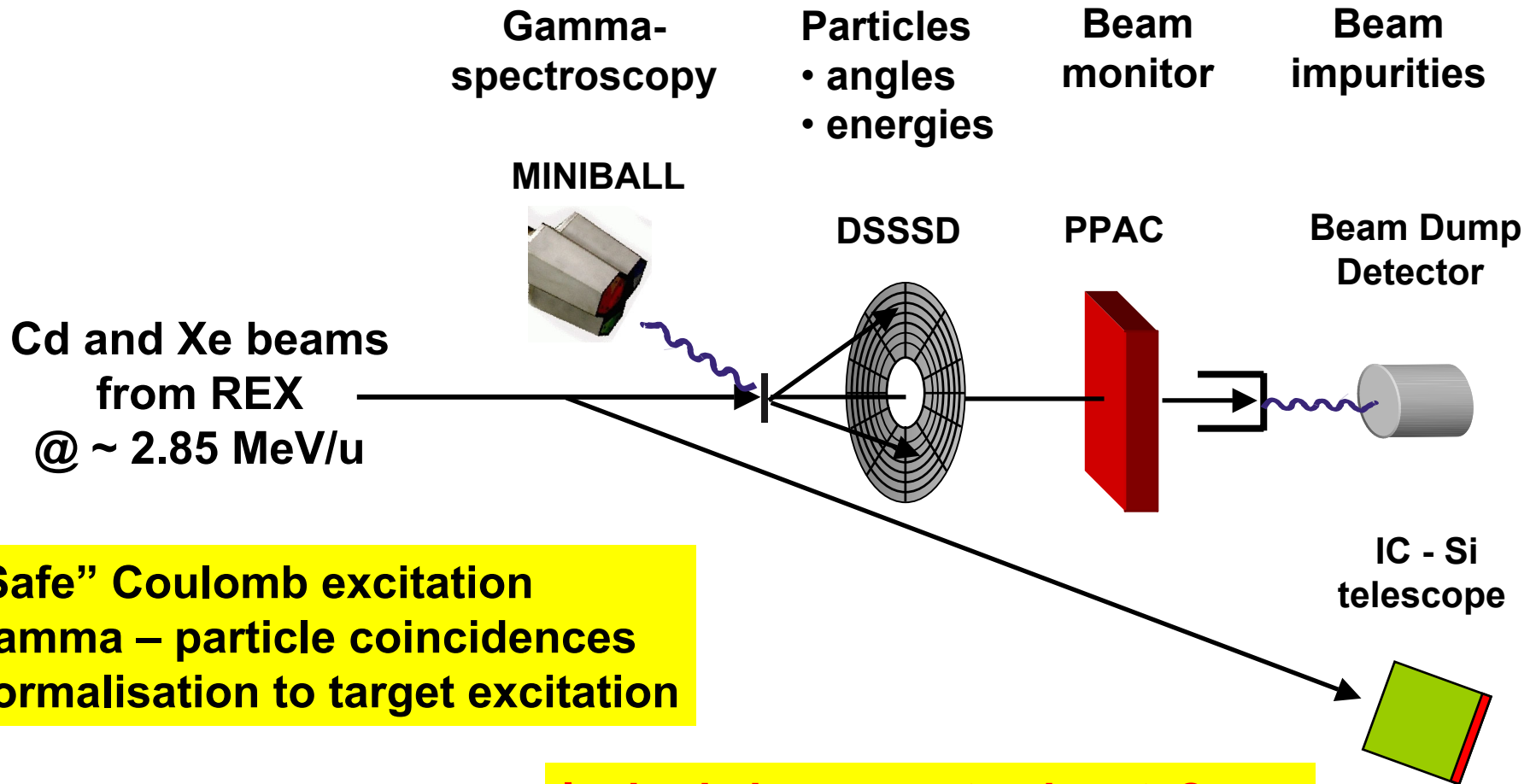
Cd-Run (2004)

- PSB beam on **neutron converter target** to reduce isobaric contaminants
- **RILIS** (Resonance Ionisation Laser Ion Source)
- GPS separator
- 148 ms breeding in EBIS to $^{122,124}\text{Cd}^{30+}$ and $^{126}\text{Cd}^{31+}$
- 2.86 MeV/u

Xe-Run (2005)

- PSB beam directly on UC_x target of ISOLDE
- MK7 (surface ioniser)
- HRS separator
- 198 ms breeding in EBIS to $^{138,140,142}\text{Xe}^{34+}$
- 2.83-2.85 MeV/u

Experimental set-up

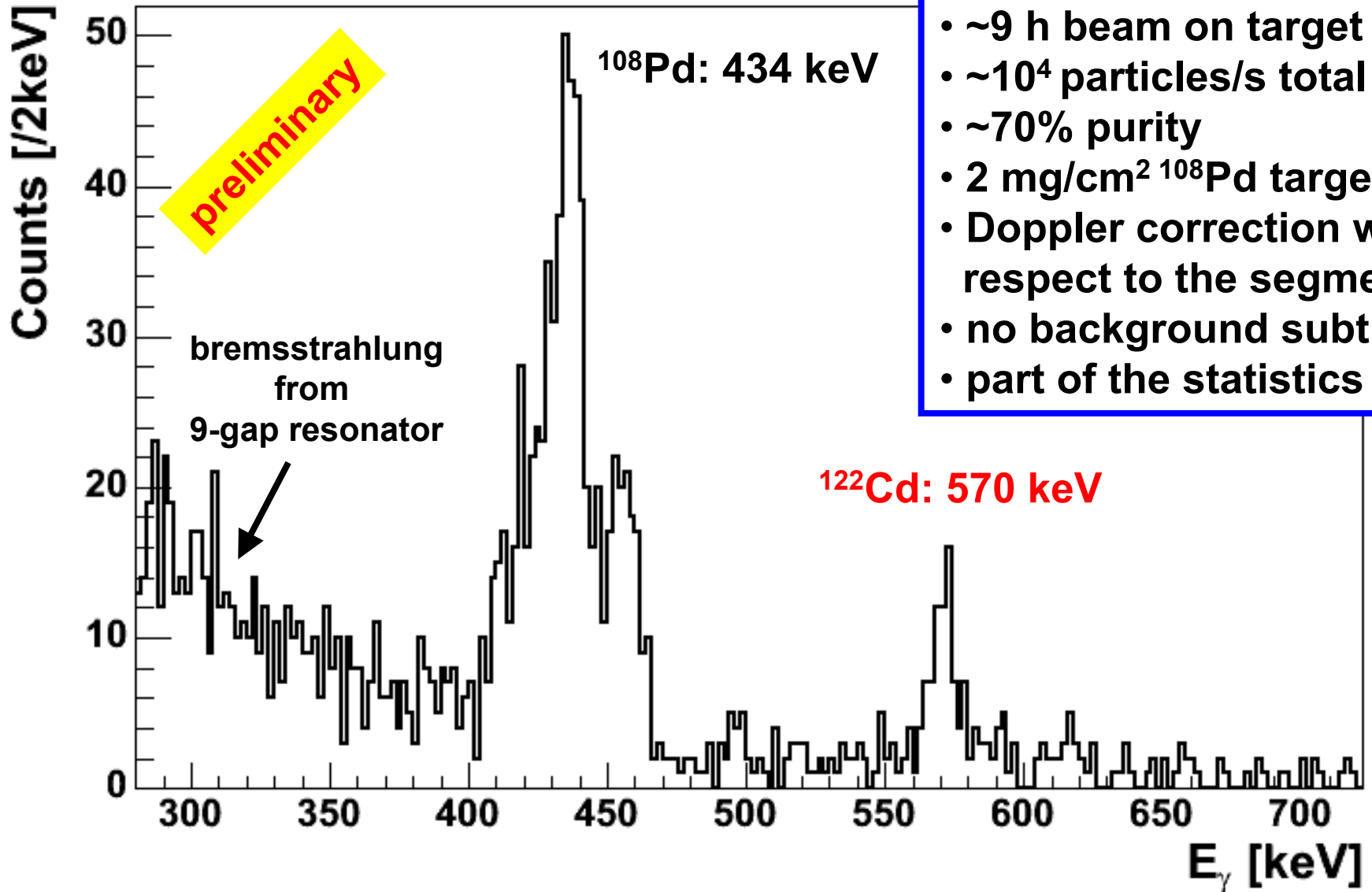


- “Safe” Coulomb excitation
- Gamma – particle coincidences
- Normalisation to target excitation

Isobaric beam contaminants?

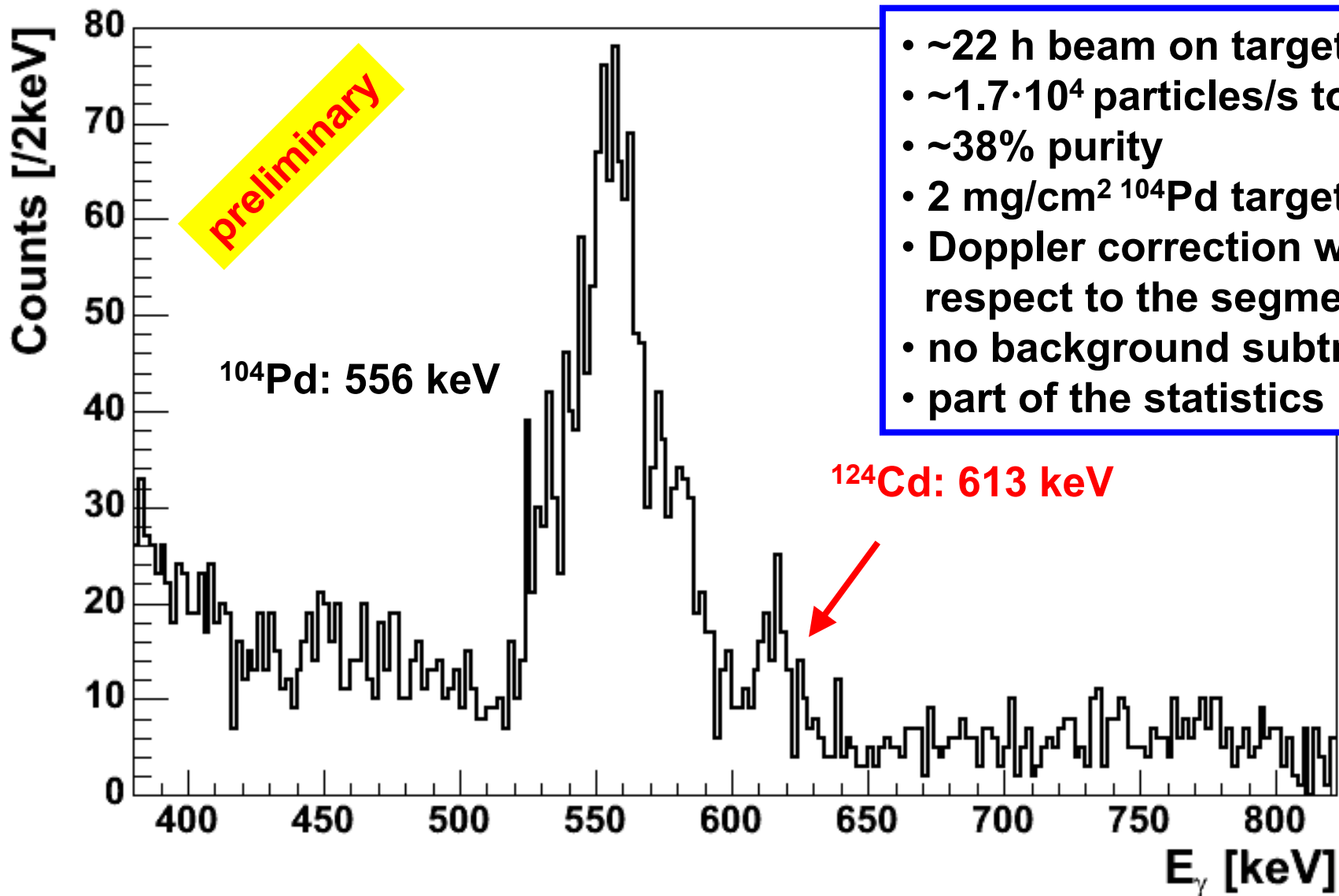
- IC - Si detector telescope
 - LaserON / LaserOFF
 - Beam Dump Detector
- } Cd only

^{122}Cd on ^{108}Pd



- ~9 h beam on target
- $\sim 10^4$ particles/s total
- ~70% purity
- 2 mg/cm² ^{108}Pd target
- Doppler correction with respect to the segments
- no background subtraction
- part of the statistics

^{124}Cd on ^{104}Pd



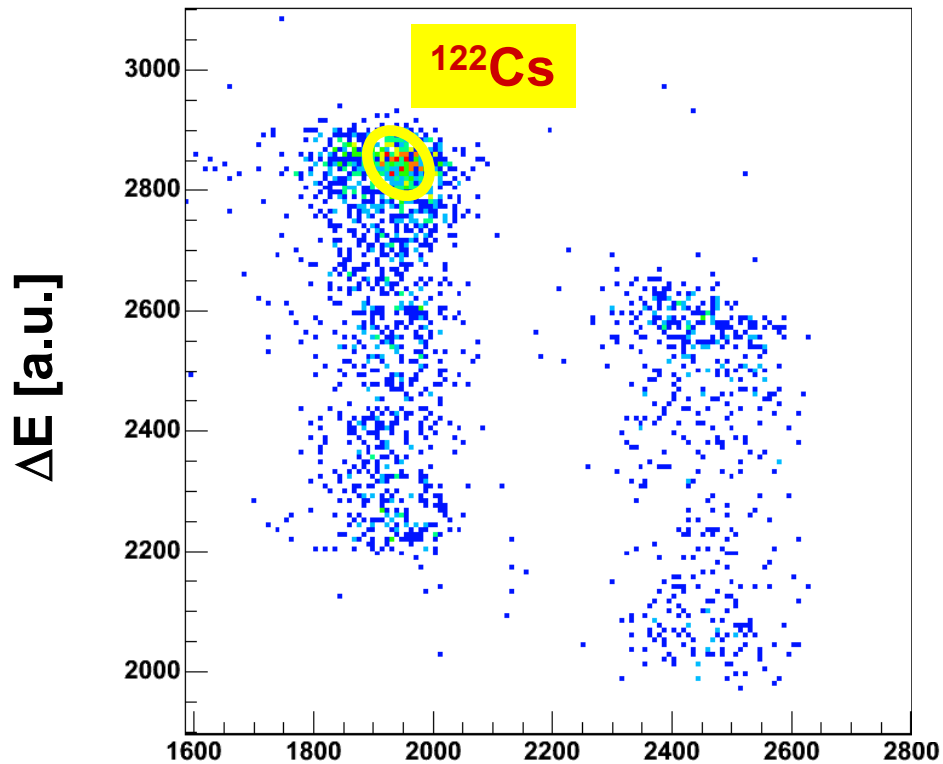
- ~22 h beam on target
- $\sim 1.7 \cdot 10^4$ particles/s total
- ~38% purity
- 2 mg/cm^2 ^{104}Pd target
- Doppler correction with respect to the segments
- no background subtraction
- part of the statistics

Effect of neutron converter target

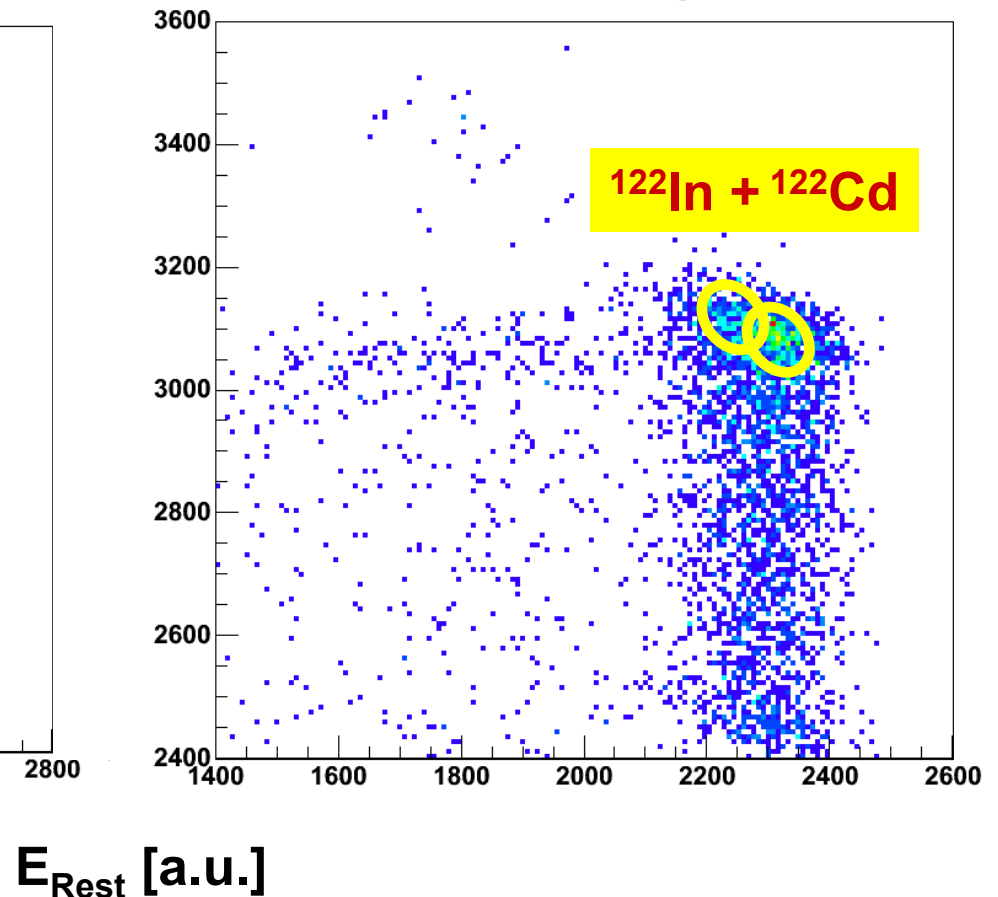


- RILIS (Laser ON)
- Cd yield reduced by a factor ~ 3

without converter target



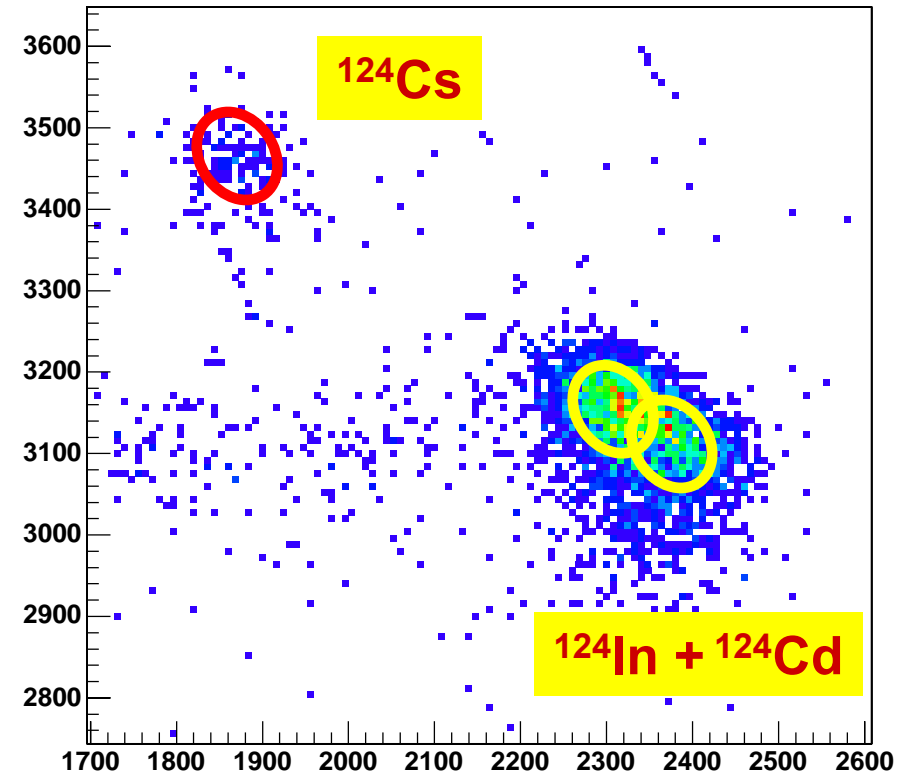
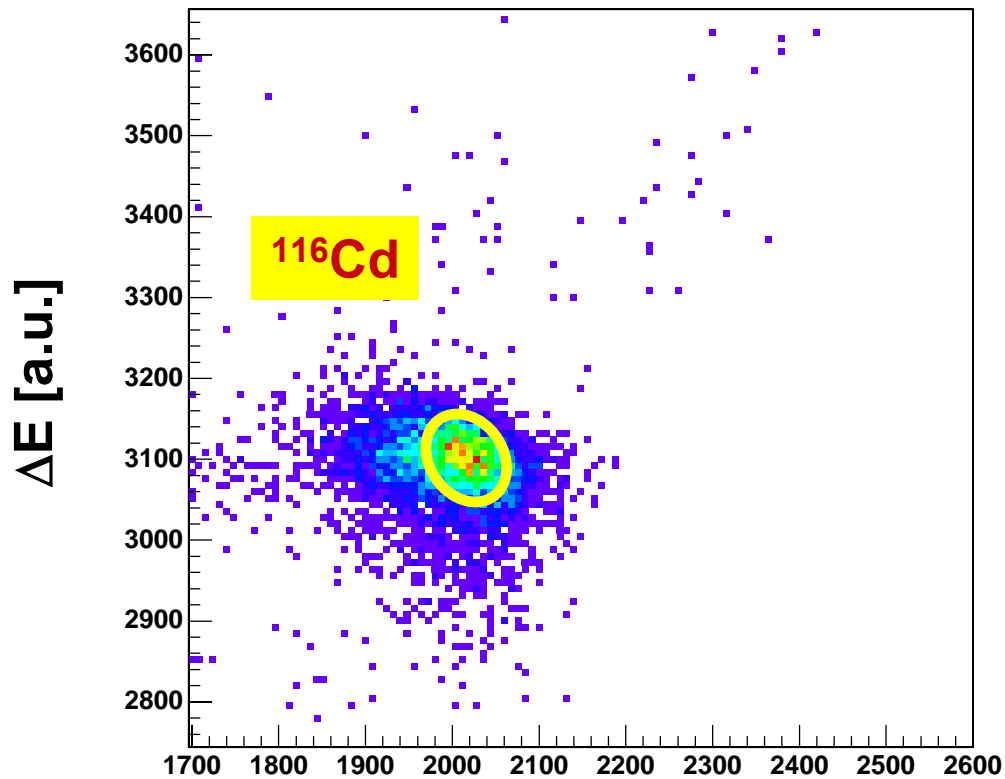
with converter target



IC - Si telescope



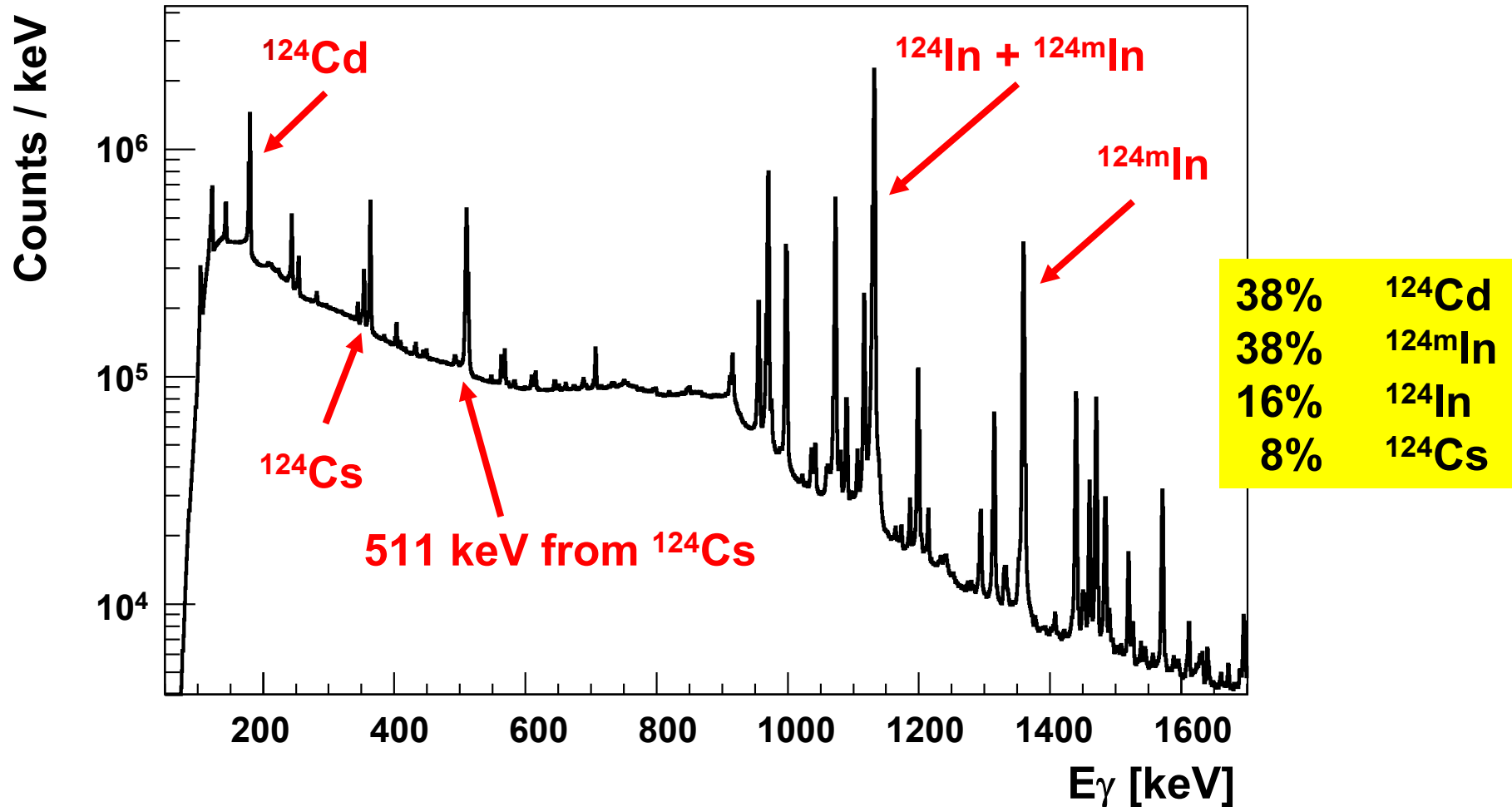
- PSB beam on converter target
- RILIS (Laser ON)



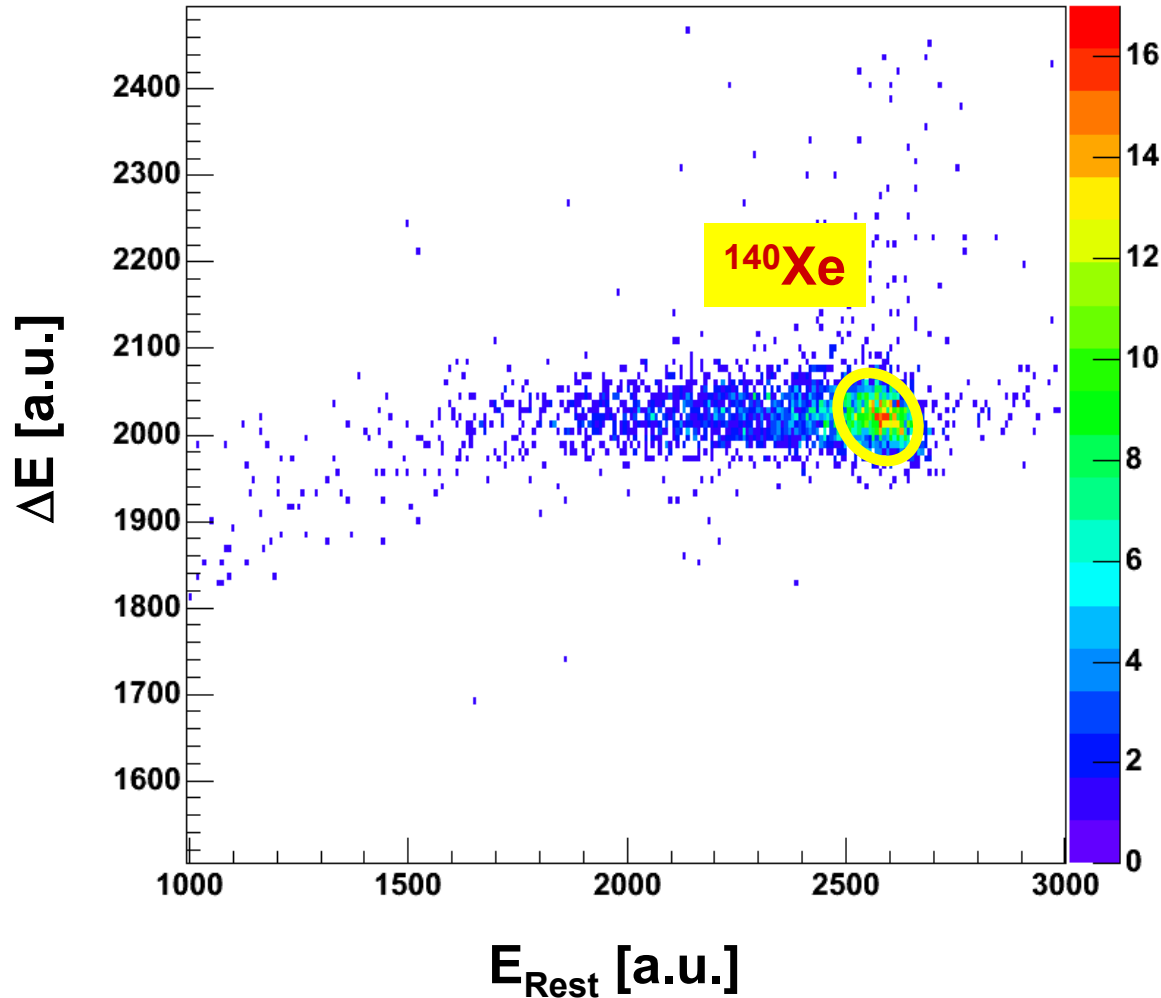
E_{Rest} [a.u.]

^{124}Cd (beam dump detector)

$^{124}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{124(m)}\text{In} \rightarrow ^{124}\text{Sn}$ and $^{124}\text{Cs} \rightarrow ^{124}\text{Xe}$

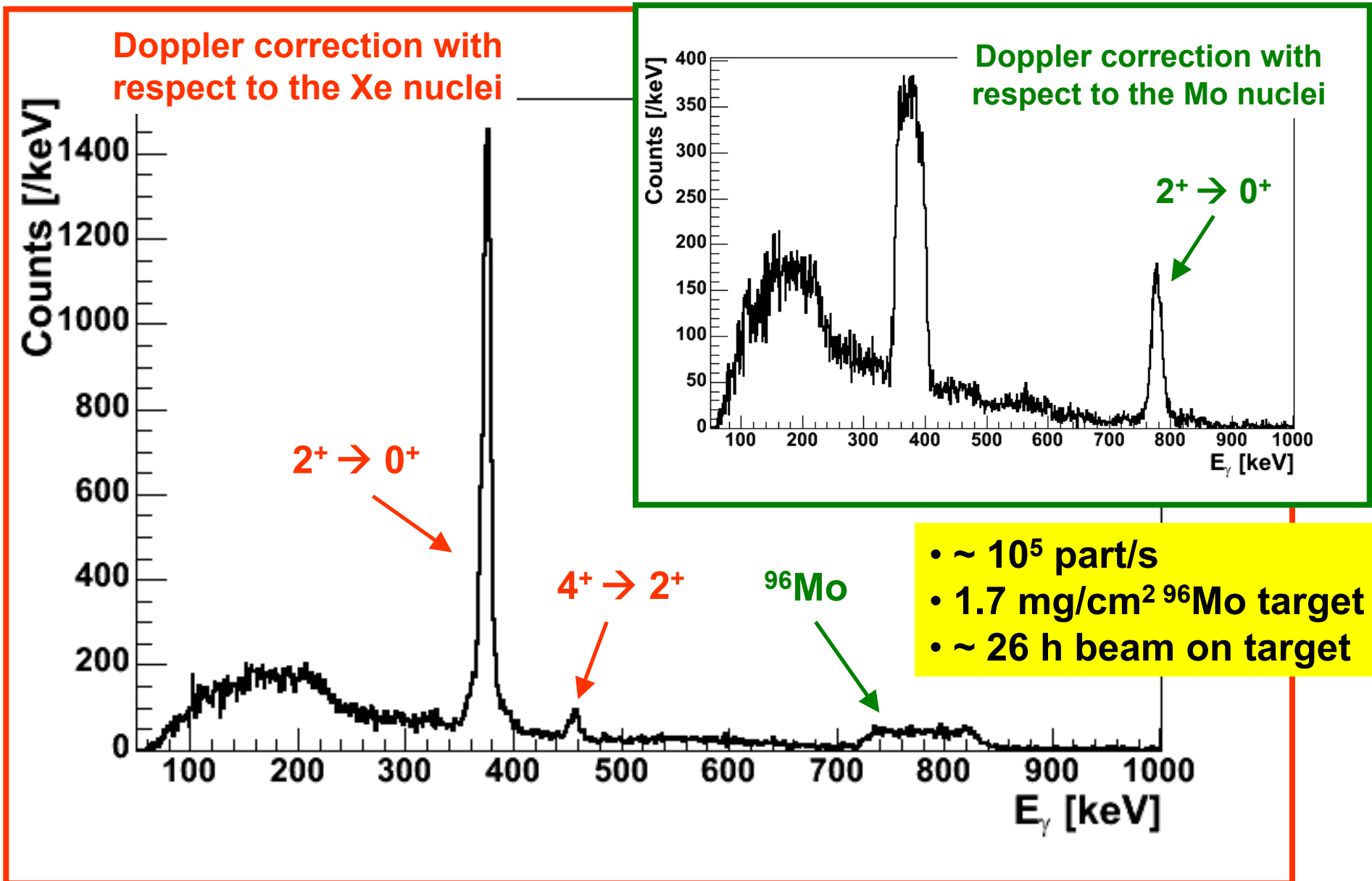


Si - IC telescope

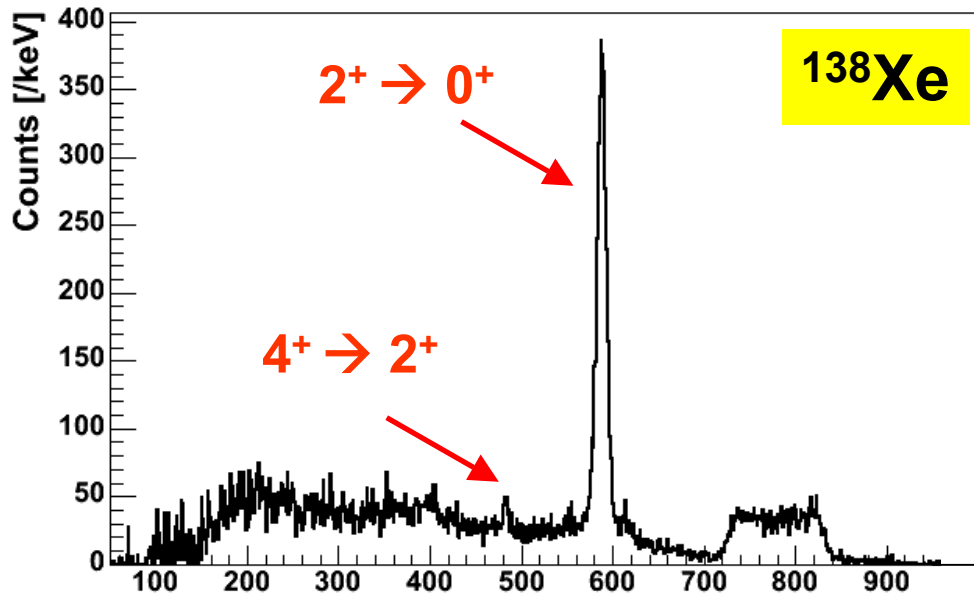


**No isobaric
contaminants
in the Xe beams!!!!**

Coulex of ^{140}Xe

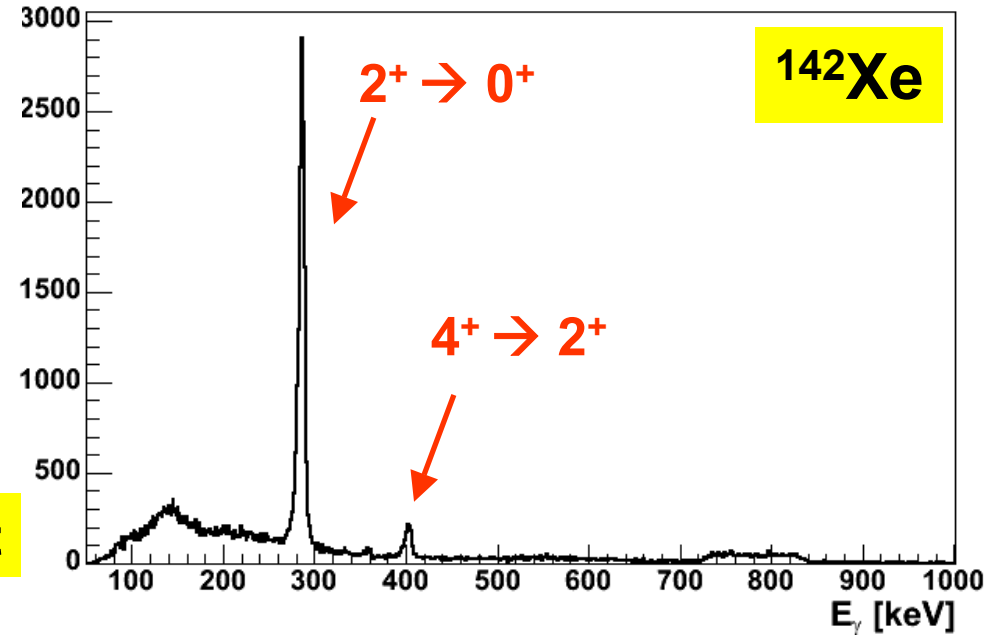


Coulex of $^{138,142}\text{Xe}$

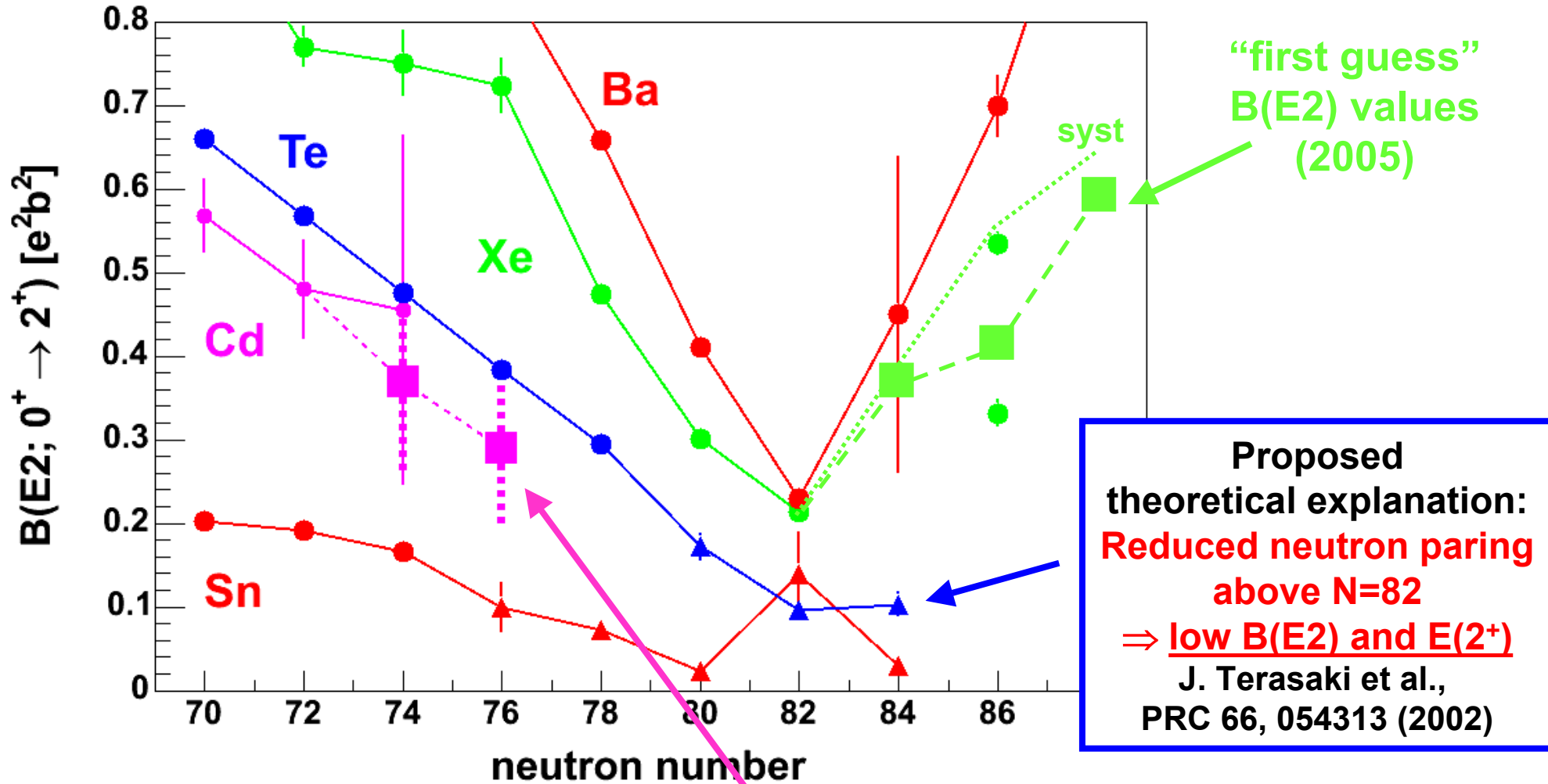


~ 10 h beam on target

~ 19 h beam on target



B(E2) values (preliminary)



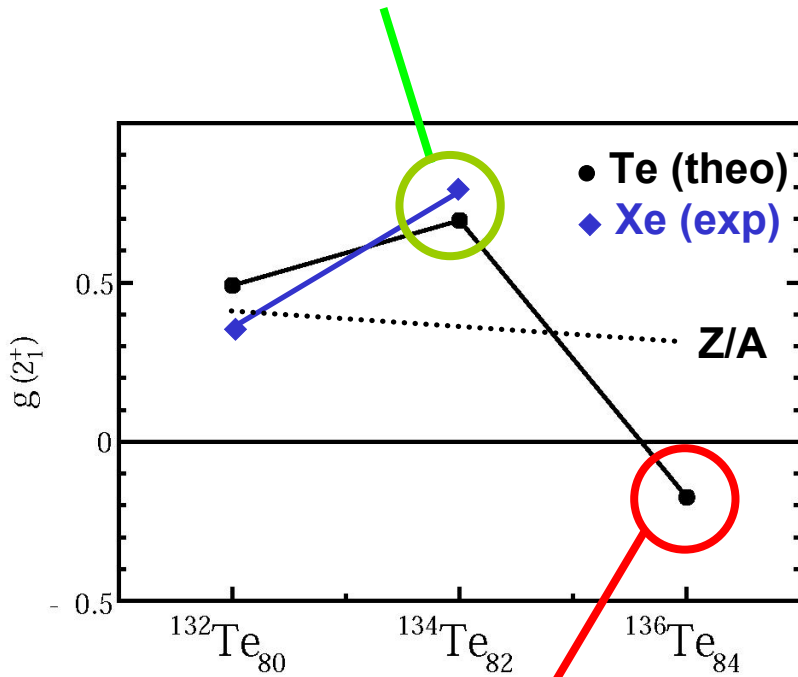
	$B(E2\uparrow)_{\text{exp}} [e^2b^2]$	$B(E2\uparrow)_{\text{syst}} [e^2b^2]$
^{122}Cd	0.37 ± 0.11	0.37
^{124}Cd	0.29 ± 0.09	0.31

Analysis by
T. Behrens (TUM)

g-factor of 2⁺ state in ^{132,134,136}Te

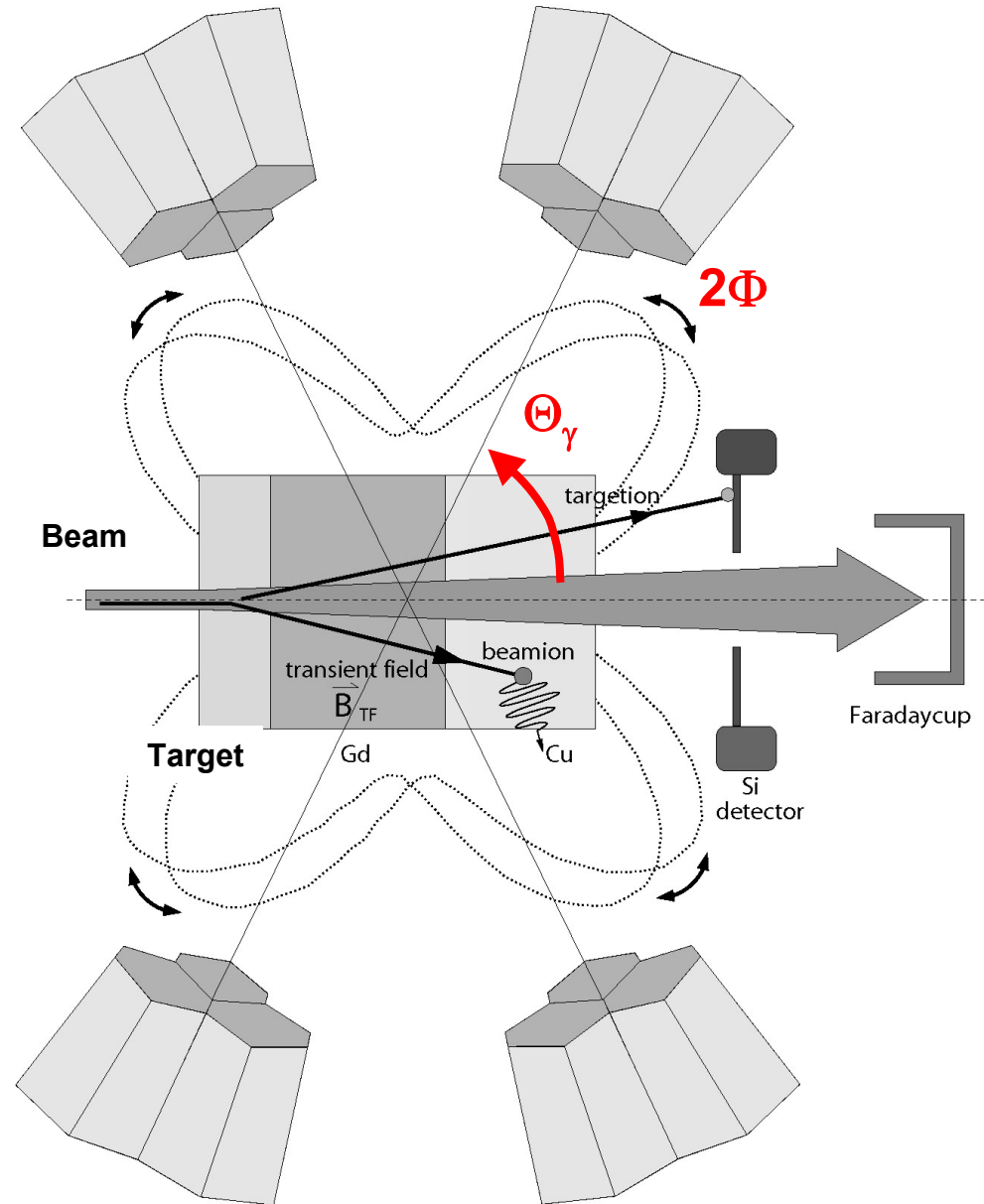
$$|^{134}\text{Te}\rangle = |^{132}\text{Sn}\rangle \otimes |(\pi g_{7/2})^2\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow g_{p,g_{7/2}}^{\text{eff}}(2^+) = 1.45 > 0$$



$$g_{n,f_{7/2}}^{\text{eff}}(2^+) = -0.5 < 0$$

... more neutron content in wavefunction due to reduced pairing

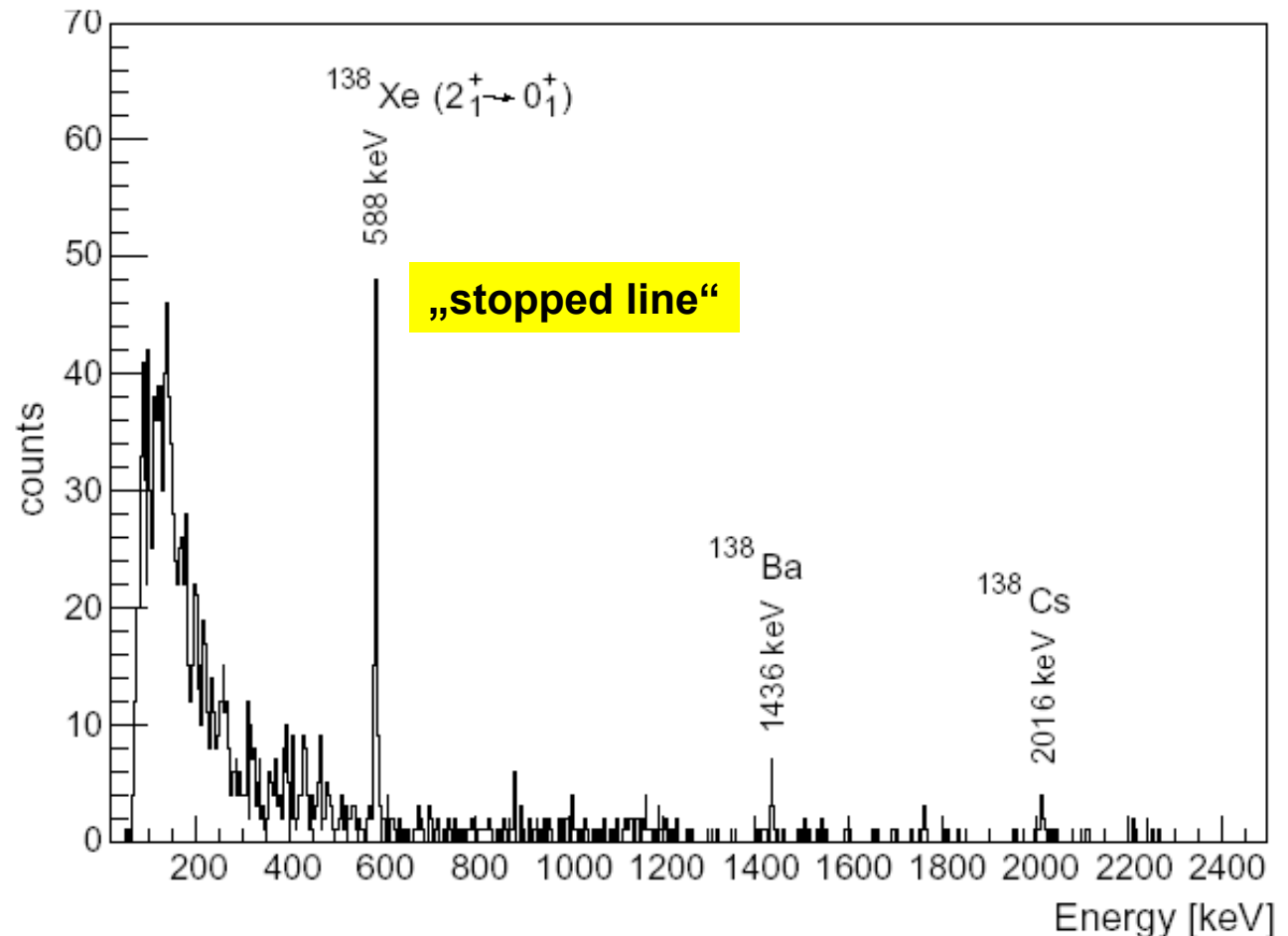


Test-experiment with ^{138}Xe beam

Problems:

- scattering from thick target
 - high count rate from radioactive decays
- Improved setup:
- poor statistics (end of beam time!)
- no precession measurement

IS415
K.-H. Speidel et al., Uni Bonn
and TUM



Conclusion

“Safe” Coulomb excitation of neutron-rich nuclei around ^{132}Sn

Beams of neutron-rich Cd and Xe isotopes @ 2.85 MeV/u from REX

... these beams are unique to ISOLDE

... heaviest nuclei delivered by REX to MINIBALL so far

$^{122,124}\text{Cd}$ measured \rightarrow preliminary $B(E2)$ values

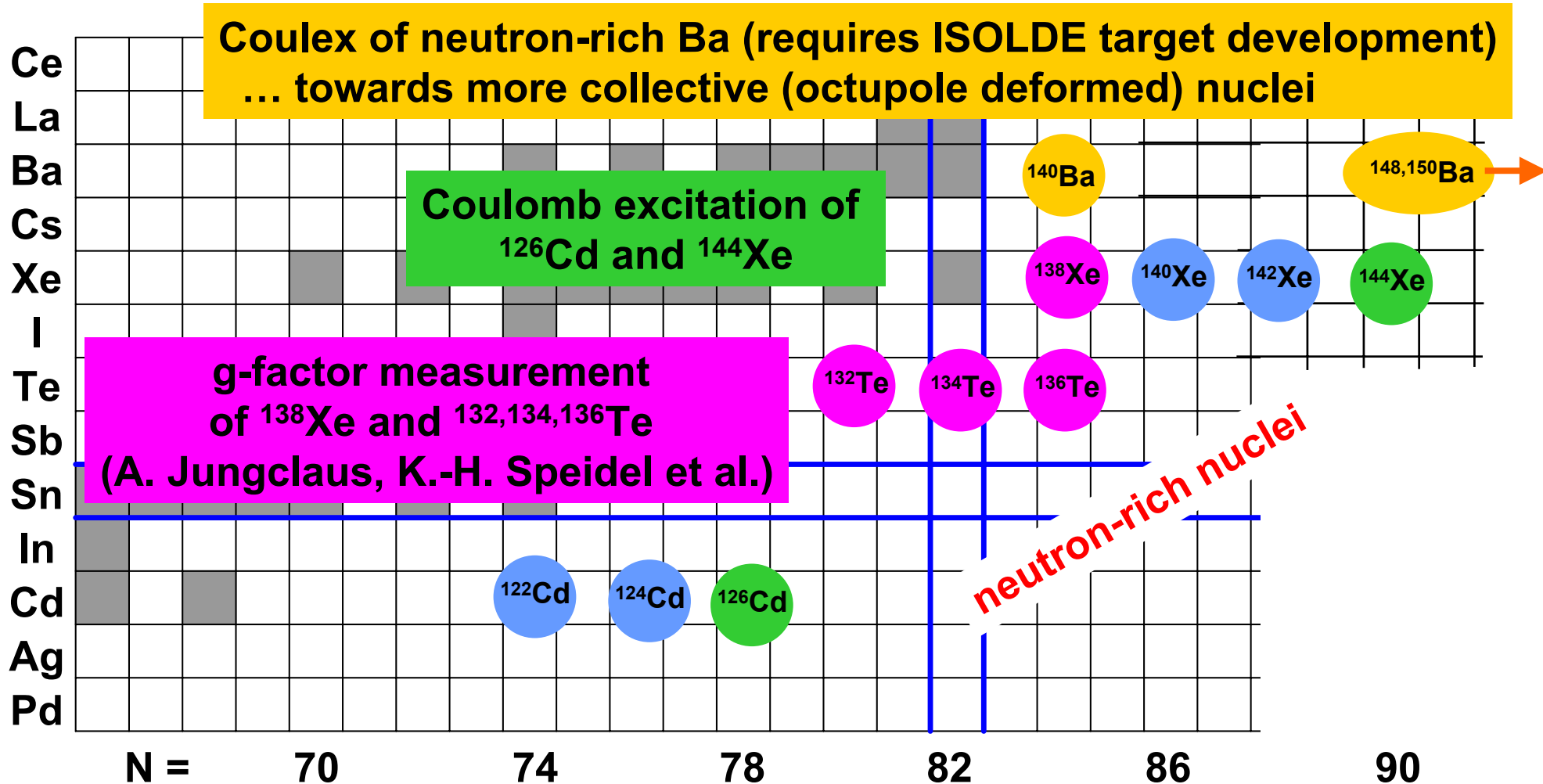
- ^{122}Cd : $B(E2\uparrow) = 0.37 \pm 0.11 \text{ e}^2\text{b}^2$... improved accuracy
- ^{124}Cd : $B(E2\uparrow) = 0.29 \pm 0.09 \text{ e}^2\text{b}^2$... determined for the first time
... both values are within the expectations for vibrational nuclei
- Test with ^{126}Cd beam successfully performed

$^{138,140,142}\text{Xe}$ measured with high statistics

Demonstrated the feasibility of a g-factor measurement in ^{138}Xe

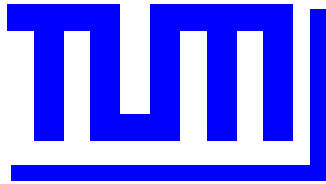
... and the future

... and the future



... and

- upgrade of REX to 5.4 MeV/u (HIE-ISOLDE)
- transfer reactions in inverse kinematics



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