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ISOLDE in the EPPS

The Future of (HIE-)ISOLDE

The EPIC project:

Exploiting the Potential of ISOLDE at CERN

the ISOLDE Collaboration input to the European Particle Physics Strategy update

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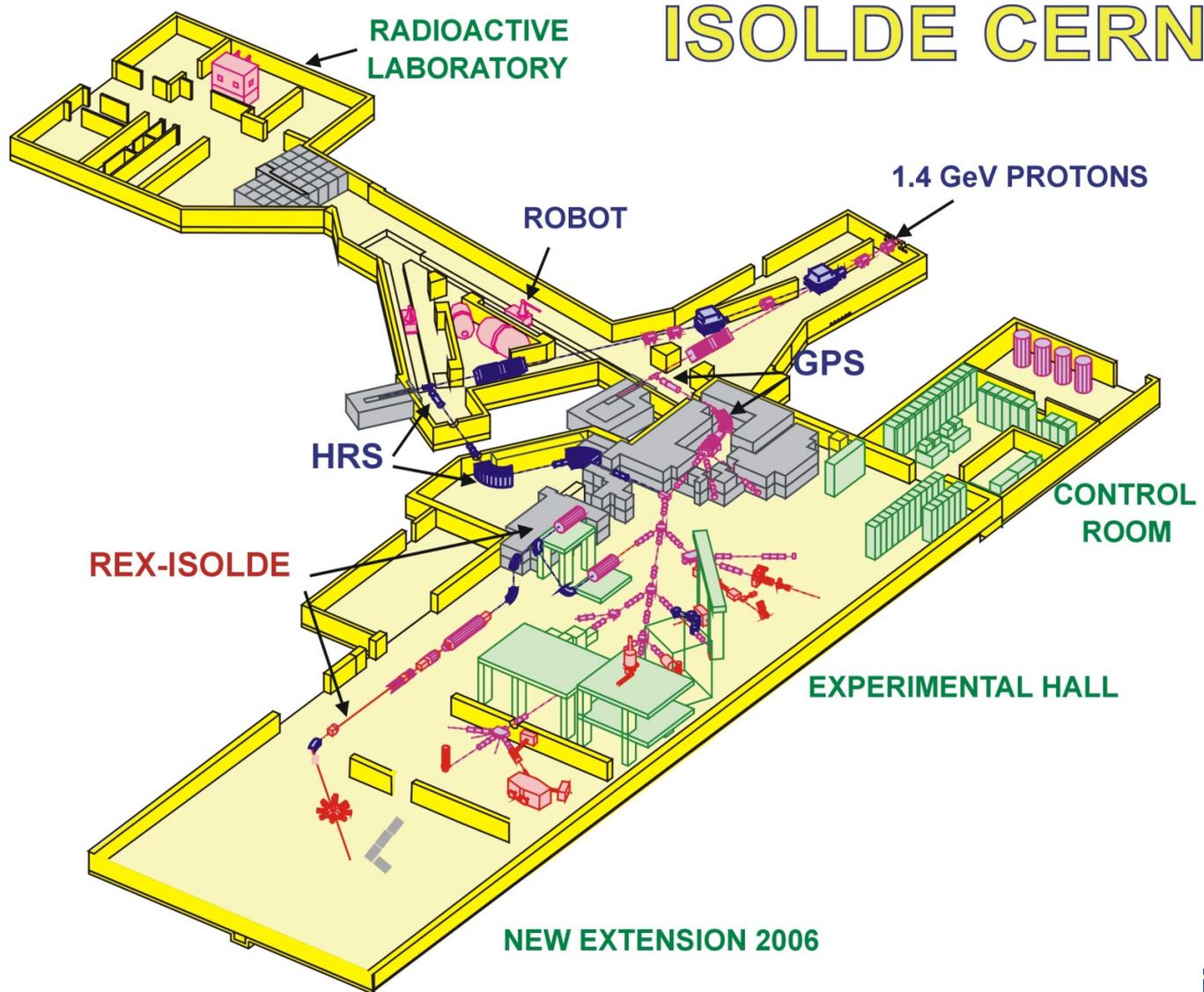
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ISOLDE 50 Years

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Preface

Focus on Exotic Beams at ISOLDE: A Laboratory Portrait

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Present ISOLDE

HIE-ISOLDE's Phase 2 reaches completion

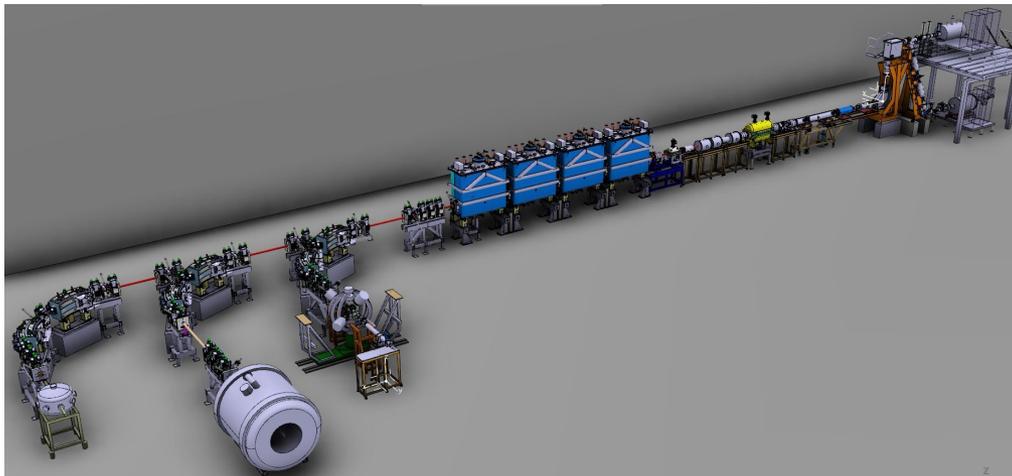
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CERN's [ISOLDE](#) facility has been in operation for [more than 50 years](#). It produces radioactive isotopes for studies of the structure of atomic nuclei and a variety of other purposes including medical applications. Now, Phase 2 of its [HIE-ISOLDE upgrade](#) has reached completion.

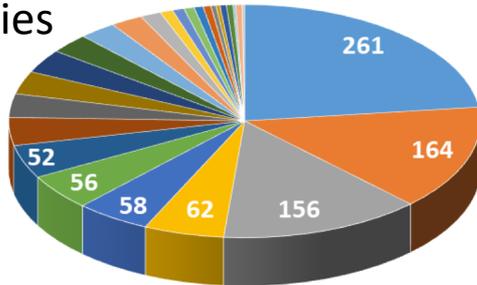
This will allow ISOLDE to accelerate radioactive beams to energies up to 10 MeV per nucleon (“nucleon” is the collective term for protons and neutrons in the nucleus); the pre-upgrade maximum energy was 2.8 MeV per nucleon. The increase in energy will help study a variety of nuclear reactions with radioactive isotopes, opening up new possibilities for nuclear-structure research.

The HIE prefix stands for “High Intensity and Energy”. With the end of Phase 2, the facility has completed an important part of its “Energy” upgrade. The “Intensity” upgrade is foreseen for Phase 3, and will allow ISOLDE to remain at the forefront of nuclear and astrophysics research for another ten to fifteen years.



The ISOLDE users community

European Countries

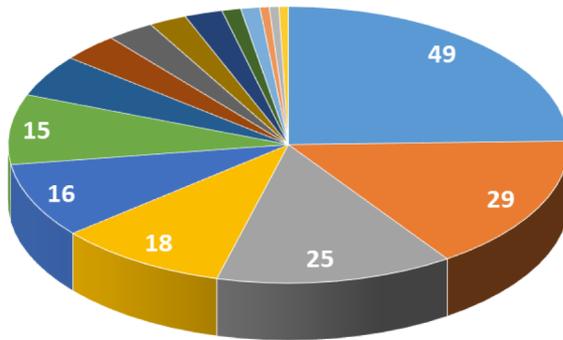


Since post-accelerated beams became available: continuous growing users community !

ISOLDE USERS:

- In pre-HIE-ISOLDE era: 500-600
- Today: 1314 !
 - ✓ From 43 countries
 - ✓ From > 200 institutions
 - ✓ From all around the world

Non-European





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3 objectives

- Profit from increased driver beam energy and intensity (2 GeV, 4 μ A), thanks to the LIU at CERN and improve the exploitation of the existing infrastructure
- Have multiple simultaneous beams for users
- A new storage ring for short-lived, light and heavy ions

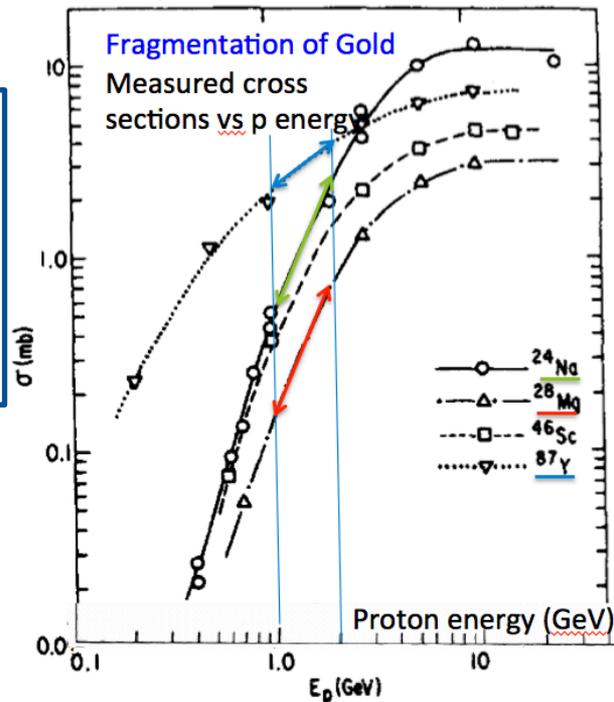
Objective 1

Profit from increased driver beam energy (2 GeV) and intensity (4 μA)

- Take advantage of CERN's LHC Injector Upgrade (LIU): higher proton intensities from LINAC4 and Booster energy increase from 1.4 GeV to 2 GeV
- GAIN FOR ISOLDE: **Higher radioactive beam intensities** for fragmentation and spallation products (gain between factor of 2 and more than 10 in intensity)

- **NEEDED CERN INVESTMENTS, in order for ISOLDE TO RECEIVE THESE BEAMS:**

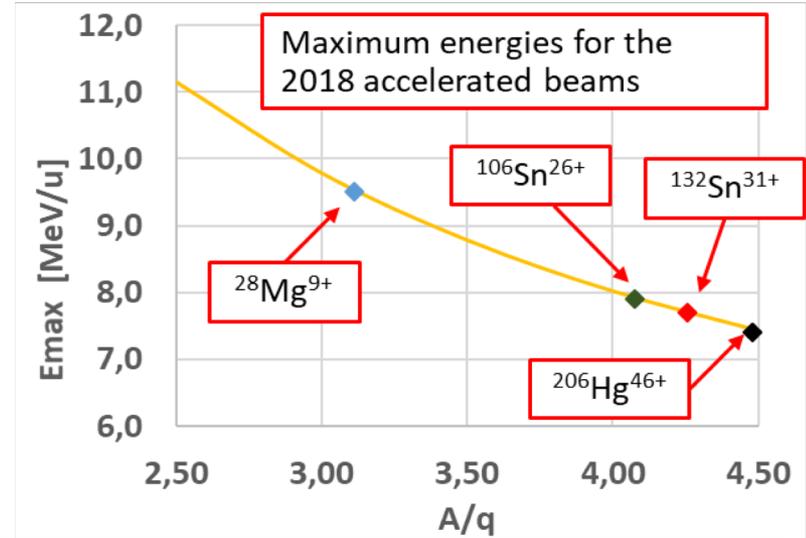
- ✓ New beam dumps to cope with higher power
- ✓ New transfer line from booster to ISOLDE



Objective 1

And improve the exploitation of the existing infrastructure

- HIE-ISOLDE post-accelerator design goal:
beams up to 10 MeV/u, for light and heavy beams
NOW: max 9.4 MeV/u for light beams
max 7.4 MeV/u for heavy beams



SOLUTIONS TO REACH FULL ENERGY POTENTIAL:

- ✓ Have all cavities working after LS2 !
- ✓ FINALIZE the HIE-ISOLDE energy upgrade:
post-accelerated beams in the full (low) energy range from 0.3 and 2.8 MeV/u
(most important for astrophysics experiments) and up to 10 MeV/u
METHOD: upgrade of the (20 years old!) REX-part of the HIE-ISOLDE LINAC

Objective 2

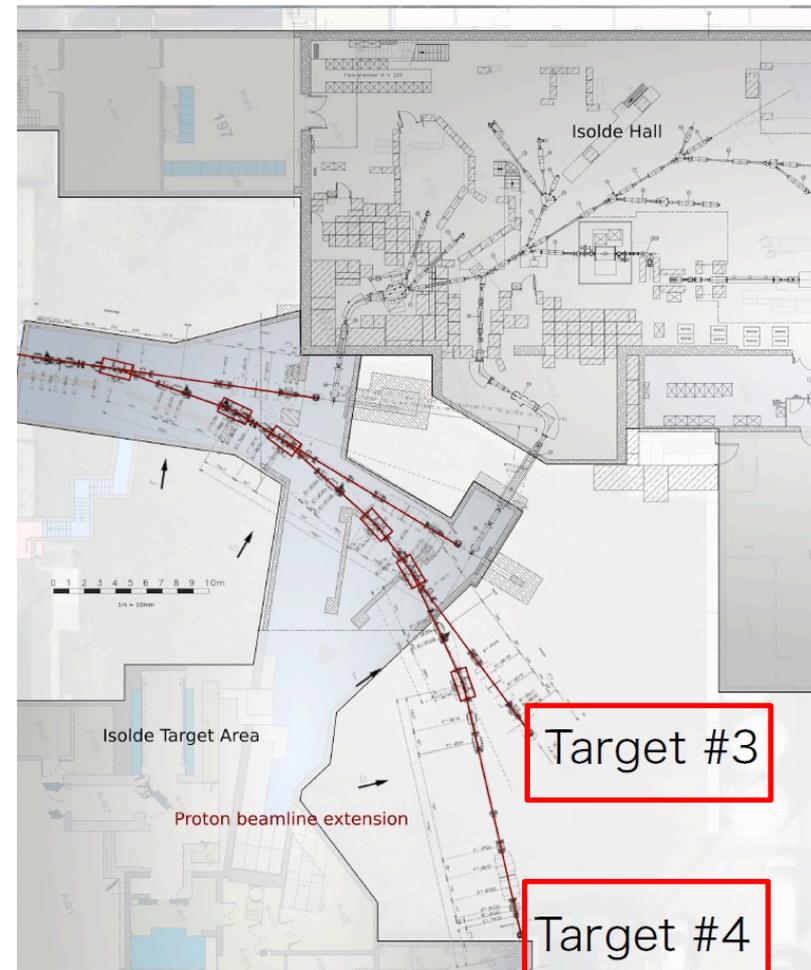
Have multiple simultaneous and better quality beams

- GOAL: serve the ever growing ISOLDE users community, who pursues very diverse research program
 - in nuclear physics,
 - fundamental interaction studies,
 - atomic physics
 - nuclear astrophysics
 - material sciences
 - biochemical/ medical research

- **METHOD:**

- 1. Two new additional target stations**

Preliminary design: Tim Giles, presented at the EMIS 2018 Conference, CERN

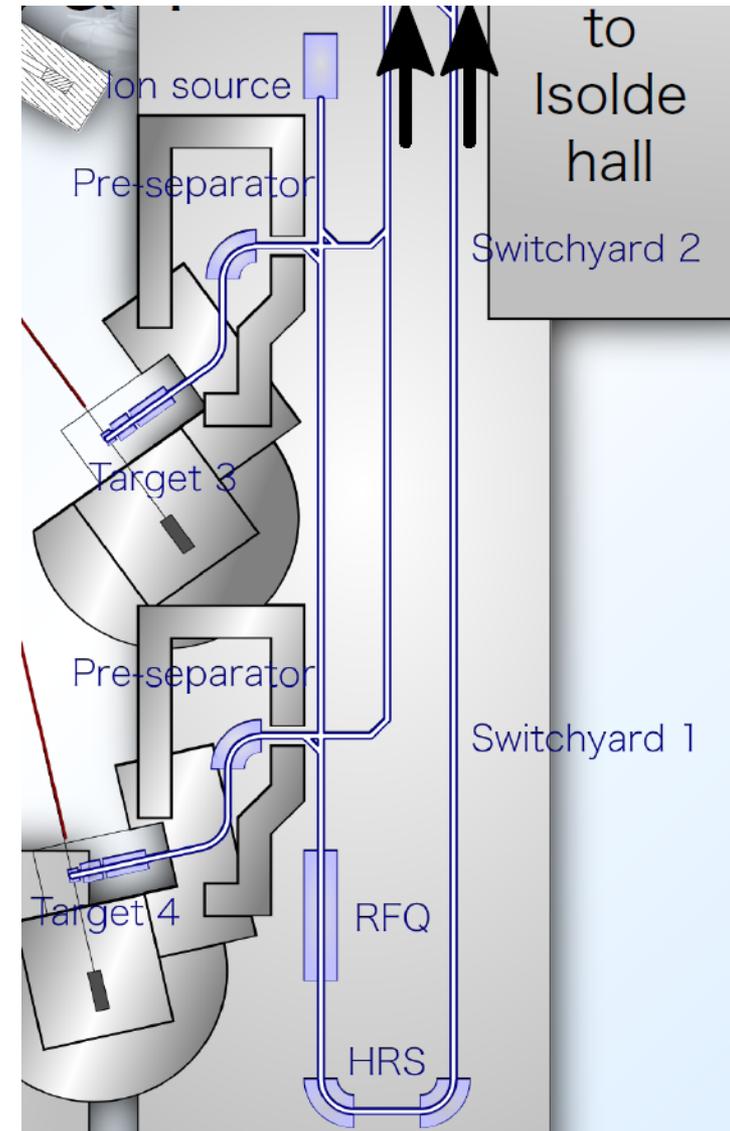


Objective 2

Have multiple simultaneous better quality beams

➤ **METHOD:**

1. Two new additional target stations
- 2. A new high-resolution mass separator** (state-of-the-art) to deliver purer beams (very important for HIE-ISOLDE operations)
 - ➔ currently, some RIB's beams cannot be efficiently accelerated due to contaminations that are too high



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Objective 3

A new compact storage ring for light and heavy ions

- Stored radioactive beams have many advantageous:
 - Can be used multiple times in an in-ring detector (luminosity increase)
 - Can be cooled to deliver excellent quality beams to external experiments for high-precision studies

➤ **Research areas:**
nuclear ground-state properties,
reaction studies of astrophysical relevance,
investigations with highly-charged ions
studies with pure isomeric beams
(e.g. fundamental constants)

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R. Raabe, F. Wenander and Ph.J. Woods (Eds.)

Storage Ring Facility at HIE-ISOLDE



A photograph of the ion storage ring TSR at the Max-Planck Institute for Nuclear Physics in Heidelberg. It is proposed to install this ring at the HIE-ISOLDE facility in CERN, thus enabling a variety of unique experiments in nuclear-, astro- and atomic physics.

Physics Case For a Low-Energy Storage Ring

Letter of Intent to the ISOLDE and Neutron Time-of-Flight Committee

Storage ring facility at HIE-ISOLDE

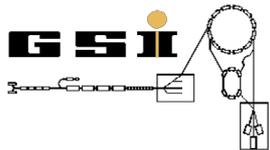
evaluated at INTC meeting on 2nd February 2011

CERN-INTC-2011-019, INTC-I-133, *Storage ring facility at HIE-ISOLDE*

The LOI for HIE-ISOLDE was found very interesting and, if successful, it would lead to the first storage ring at an ISOL-type facility. The planned experimental programme is diverse and offers unique opportunities for studies in nuclear structure and nuclear astrophysics. The feasibility of some of the proposed studies needs to be further investigated, as well as the space, cost and manpower required for installing and running the device. The committee **endorsed** the scientific case presented in the LOI and encouraged the proponents to submit a Technical Design Report for the move and installation of the TSR at ISOLDE at their earliest convenience.

we intend to submit the Technical Design Proposal
for the evaluation to the coming INTC meeting

First time a storage ring would be connected to an ISOL-based facility!

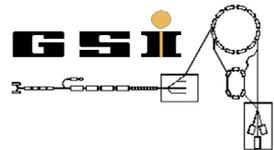


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05-07 December 2011, CERN



Physics Case For a Low-Energy Storage Ring

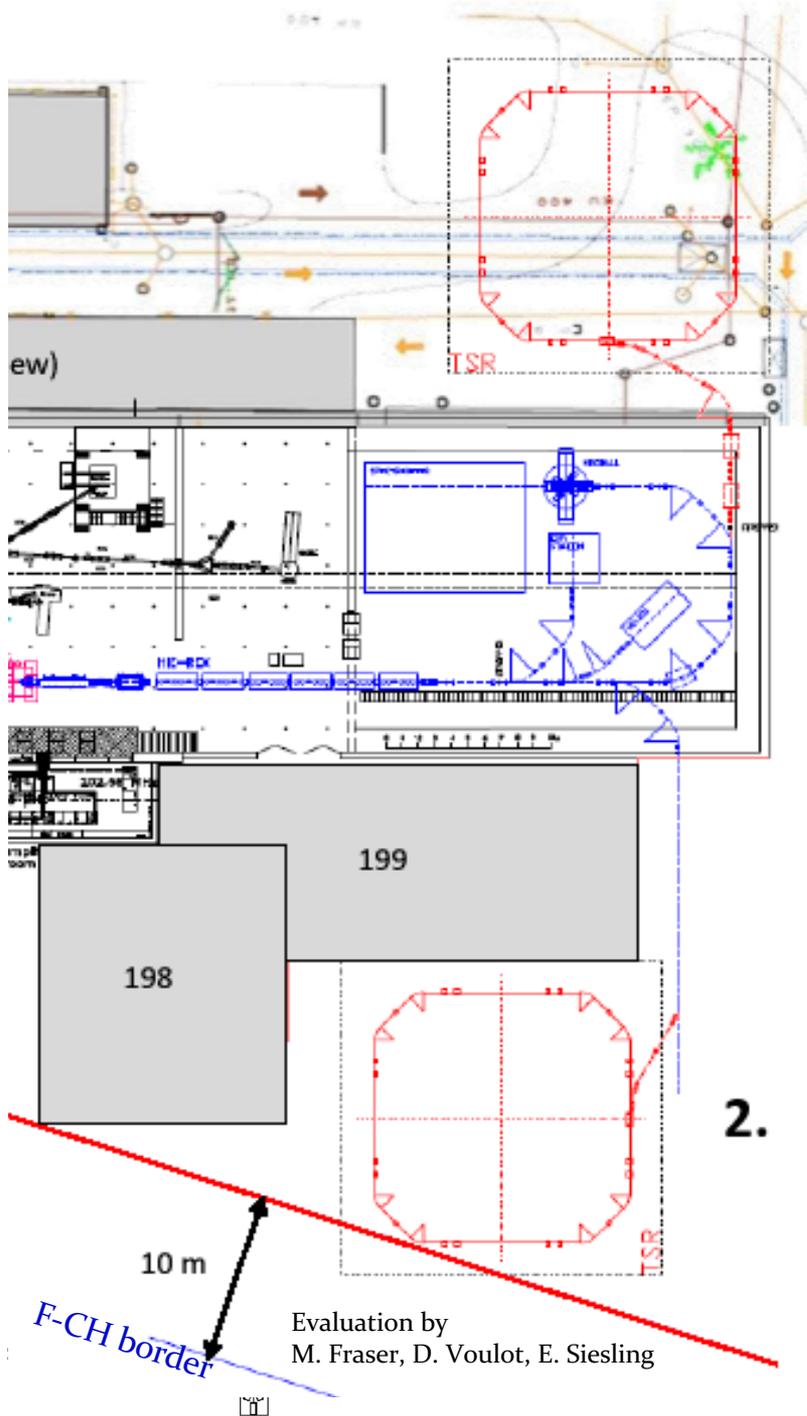
- Half-life measurements of ^7Be in different atomic charge states
- Capture reactions for astrophysical p-process
- Nuclear structure through transfer reactions
- Long-lived isomeric states
- Atomic effects on nuclear half-lives
- Nuclear effects on atomic decay rates
- Di-electronic recombination on exotic nuclei
- Neutrino physics; Tests for the neutrino beam project
- Purification of secondary beams from contaminants
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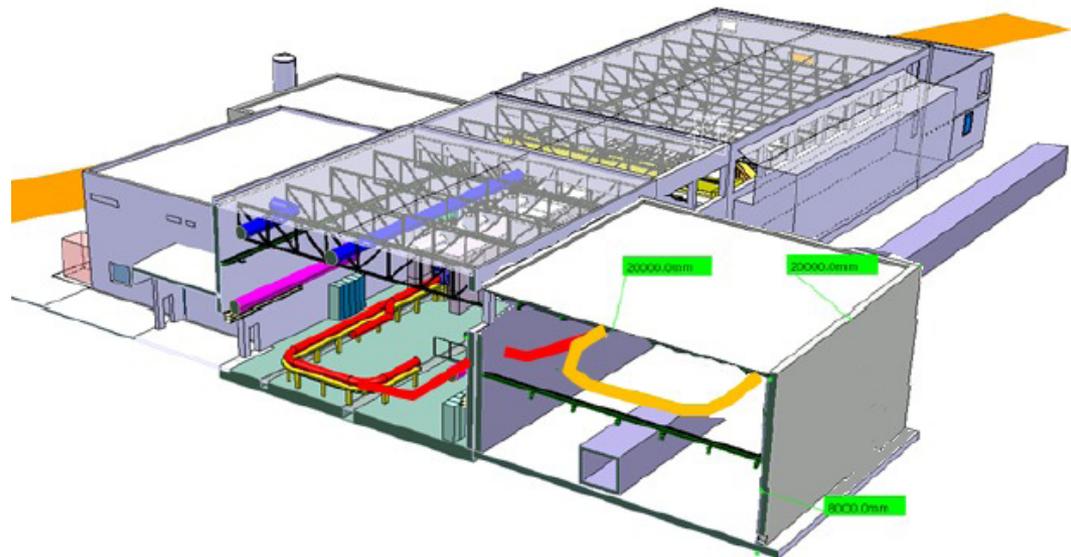
TSR location at ISOLDE

1.

1. - On top of CERN service tunnel
- Close to road behind
- Beam level 2.8 m up from HIE-ISOLDE
2. - Cryo coldbox and compressor building
- 10 m distance limit to border
+ Excavate a basement for power supplies



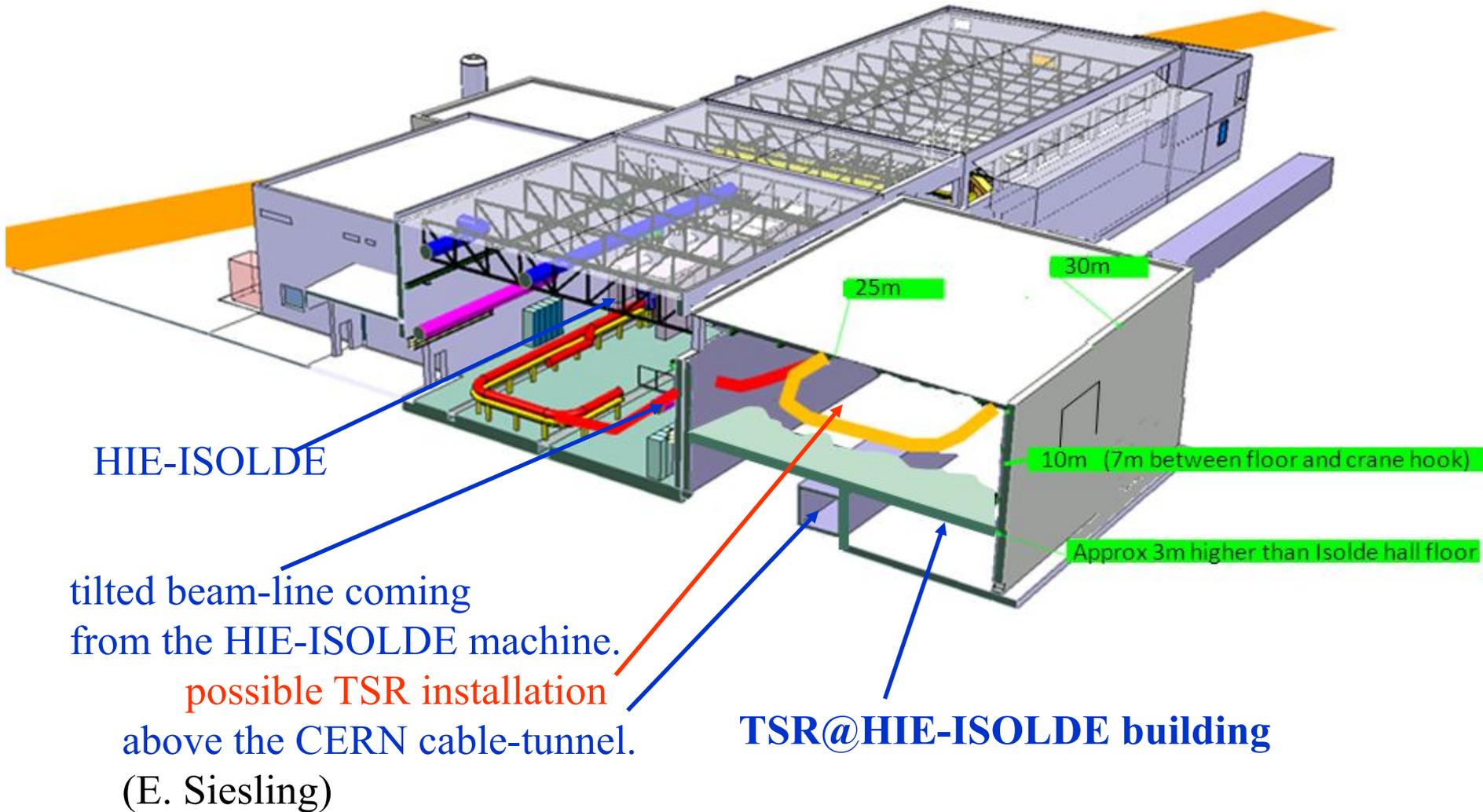
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Courtesy E. Siesling



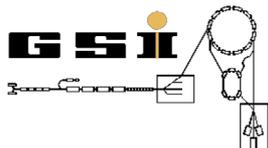
TSR @ HIE-ISOLDE



TSR@HIE-ISOLDE Collaboration

more than 120 participants from more than 40 institutions from 17 countries

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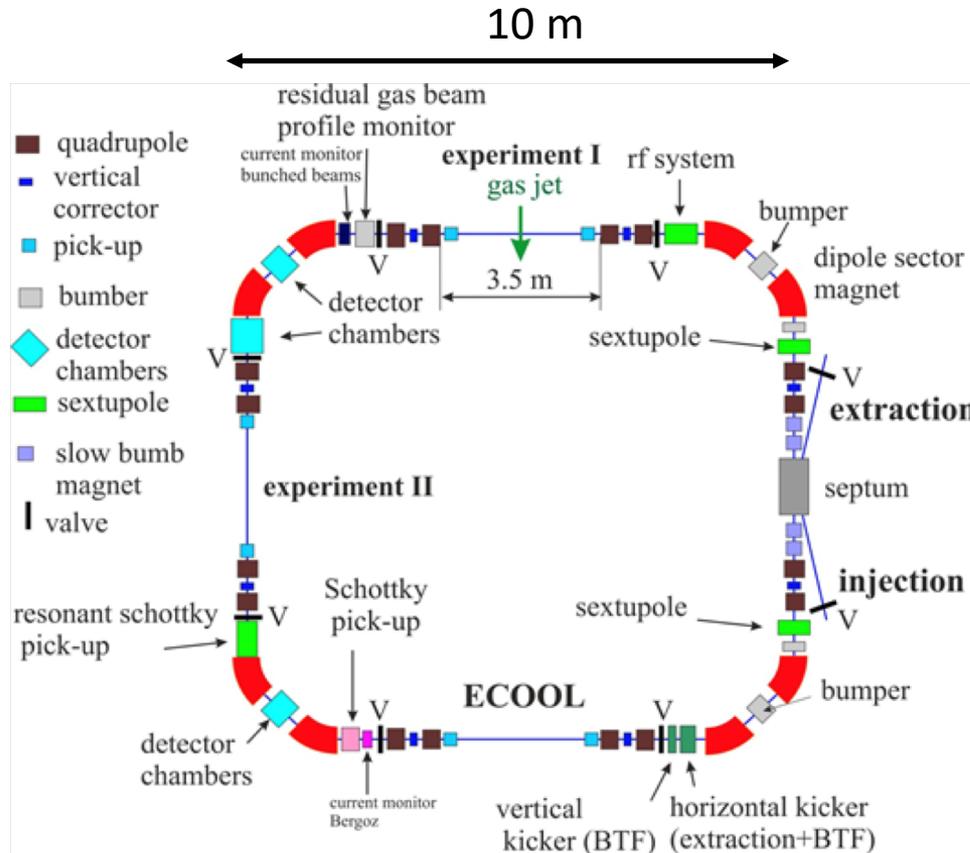


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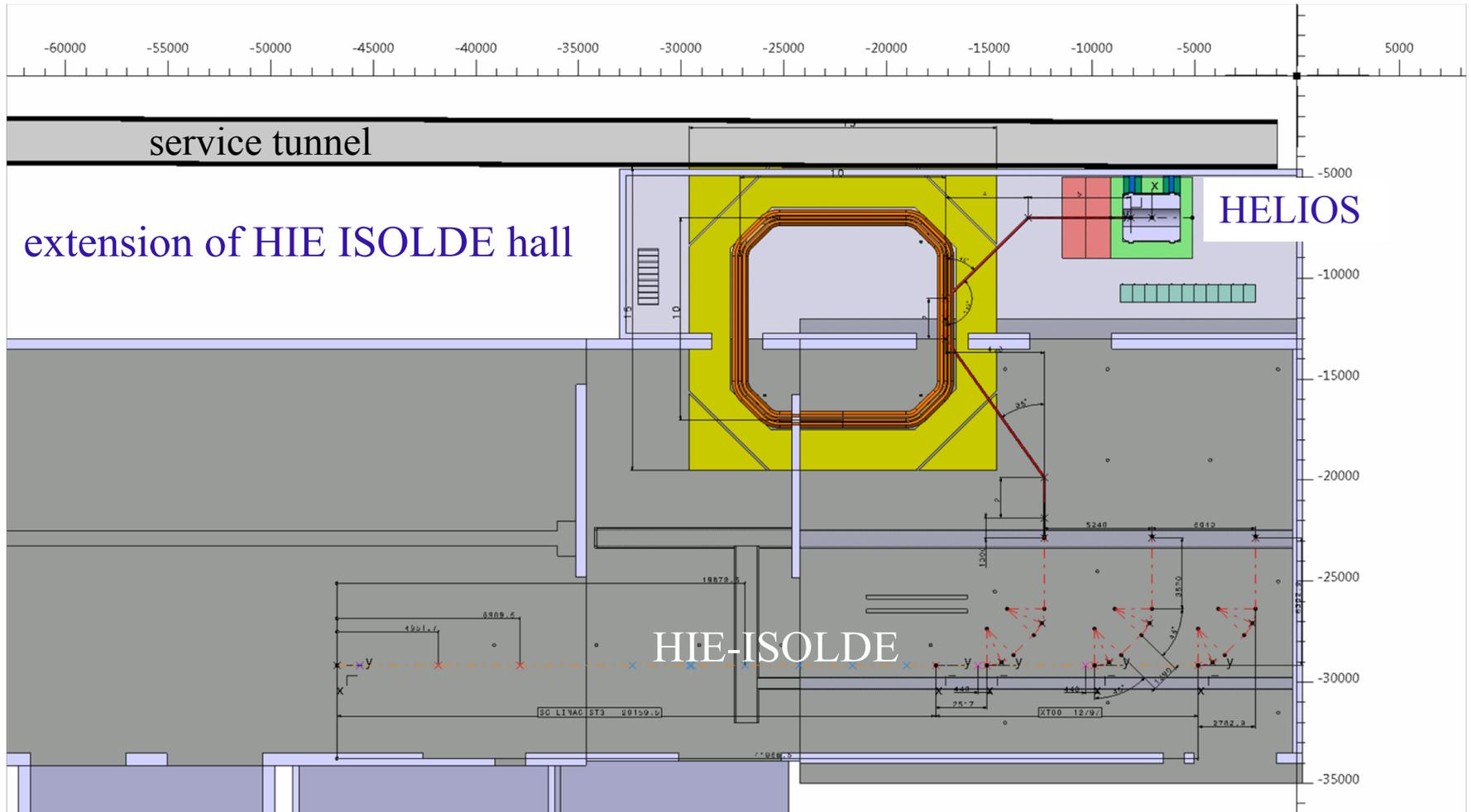
Manfred Grieser, MPI-K Heidelberg

Preliminary integration in ISOLDE:

Erwin Siesling

Possible location of the new storage at HIE-ISOLDE

transparency from Erwin Siesling and Stephane Maridor, CERN



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Only one example:

Charge particle induced reaction for p-process nucleosynthesis studies

g/p-process:

explosive scenarios like type-II/Ia supernovae at temperatures of 1-3 GK

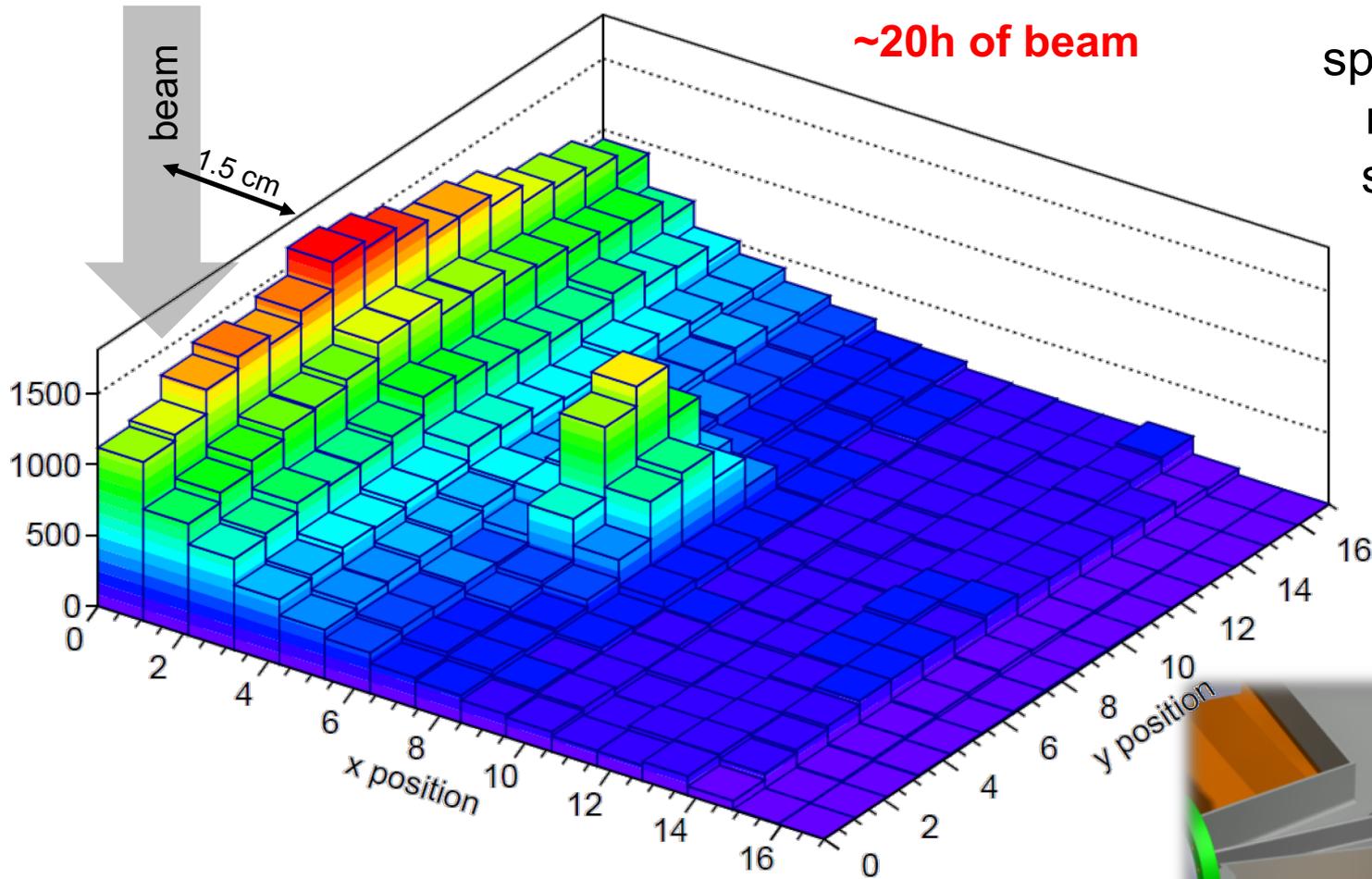
~35 neutron-deficient isotopes between ^{74}Se and ^{196}Hg that cannot be produced by rp-, s- or r-processes

several thousand reactions involving hundreds of isotopes (mostly radioactive)

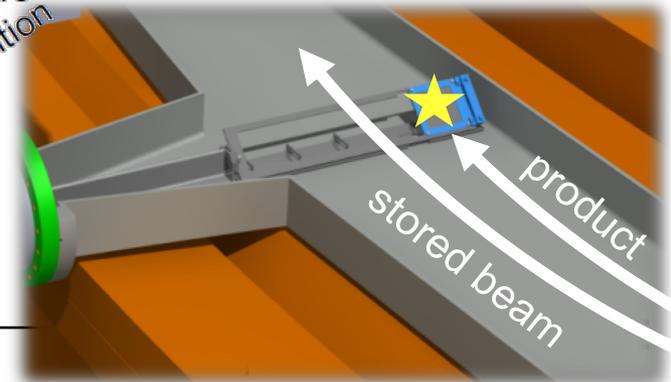
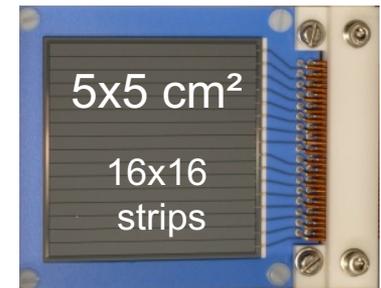
of interest are (p,g), (p,a), (p,n), (n,g), (a,g), etc. reactions

nearly no experimental data – modelling is based on Hauser-Feshbach calculations

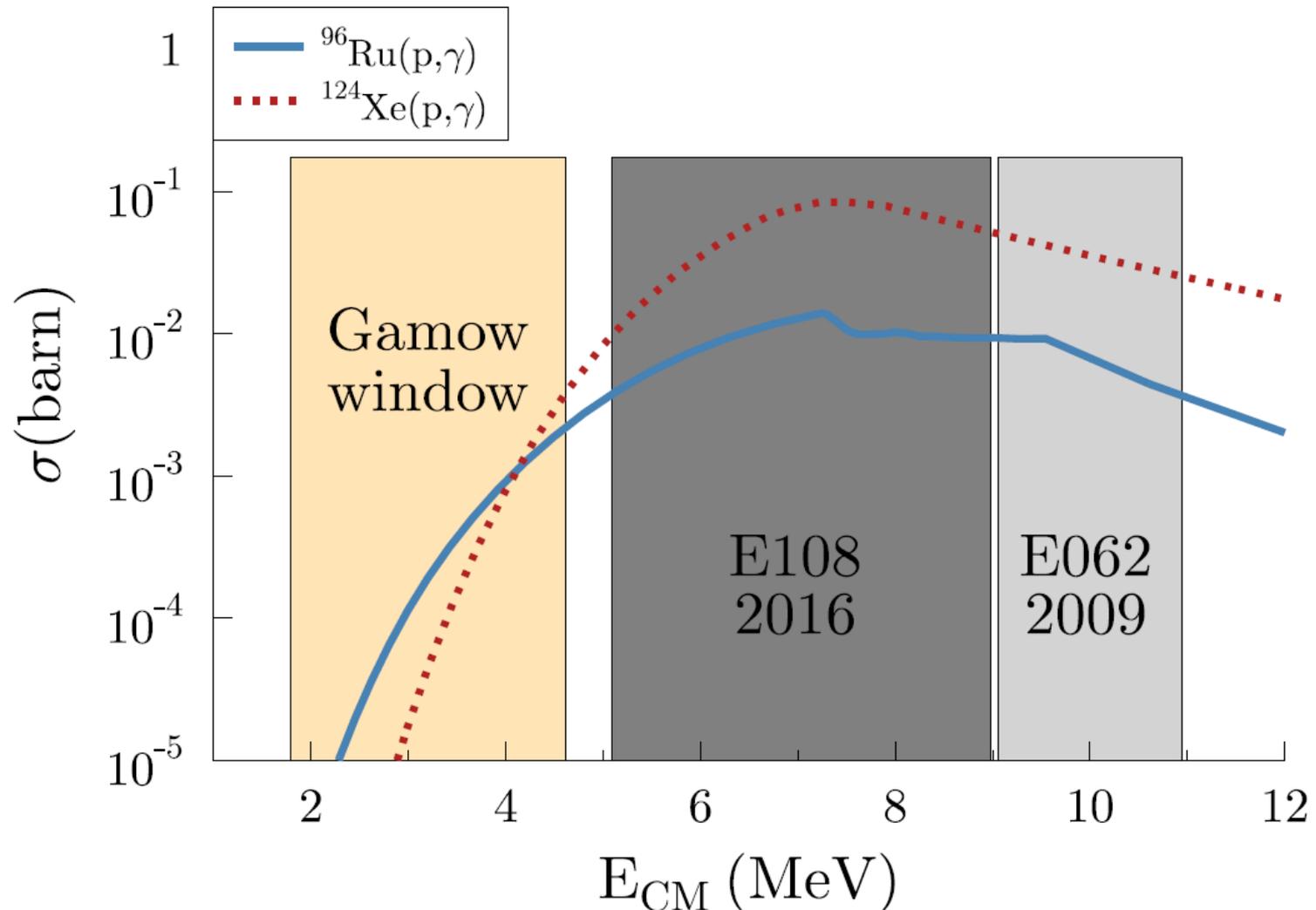
The first (p,g) Measurement on ^{124}Xe



spacial distribution
measured with
silicon detector



(p,g) studies at the ESR for p-process



Impact on Physics

- Most of HIE-ISOLDE and many ISOLDE proposals suffer from low intensity → **unnecessary prolongation of beam times.**
- **New and more exotic species will be available** with the increase of intensities: **from x2-x5** for fragmentation, x1 – x2 for fission, **x6-x10** for spallation.
- Several HIE-ISOLDE experiments cannot reach full intensity due to contamination in the ISOLDE beam → **need better beam purification (new HRS mass separator, ...)**
- New target stations will allow **operation of low-energy and high-energy experiments**, thus doubling the available beam time.
- A low-energy storage ring will **enable a broad range of new physics experiments**



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