

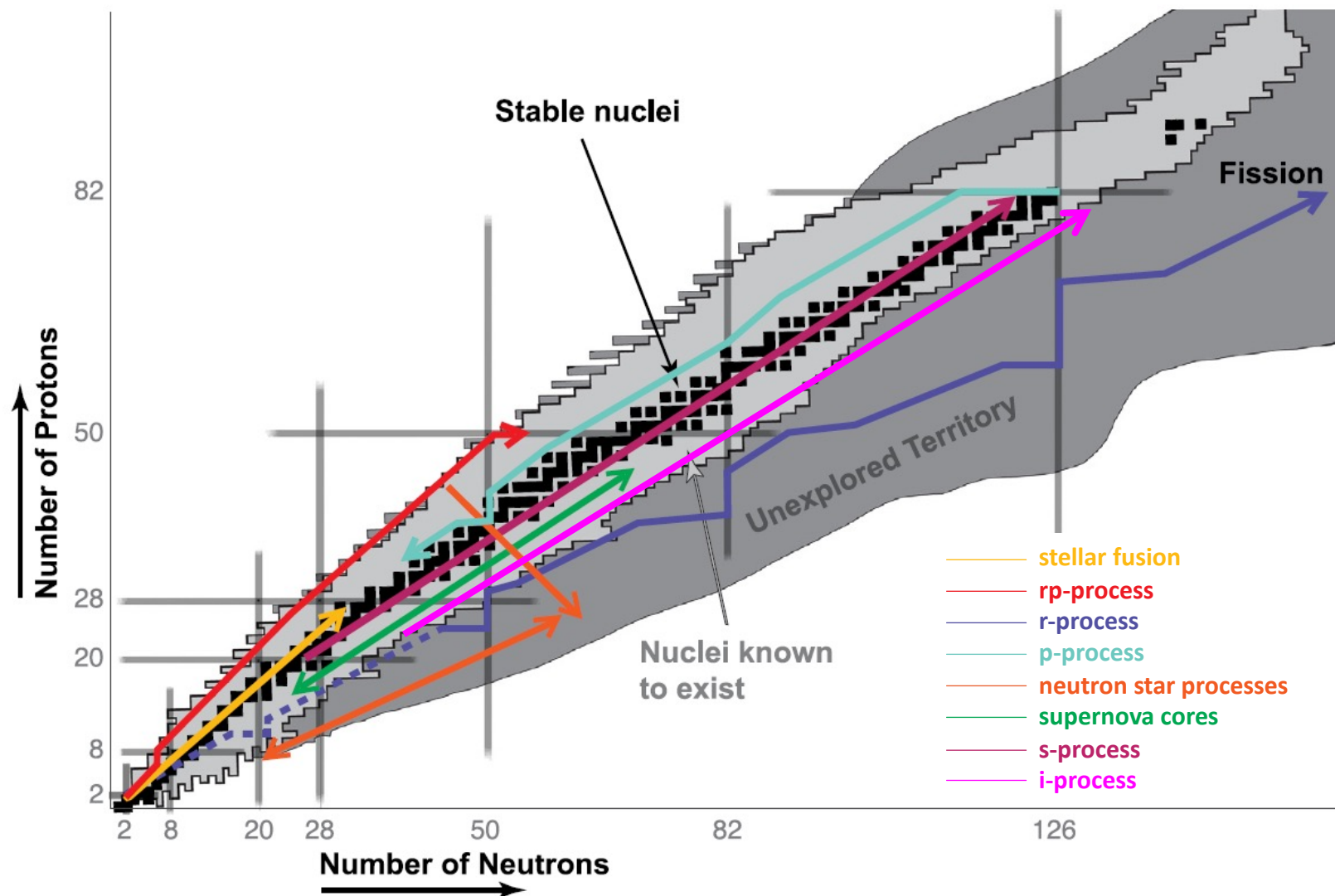
Particle-Gamma Coincidence Studies of $^{93}\text{Sr}(d,p)^{94}\text{Sr}$ via the Surrogate Reaction Method

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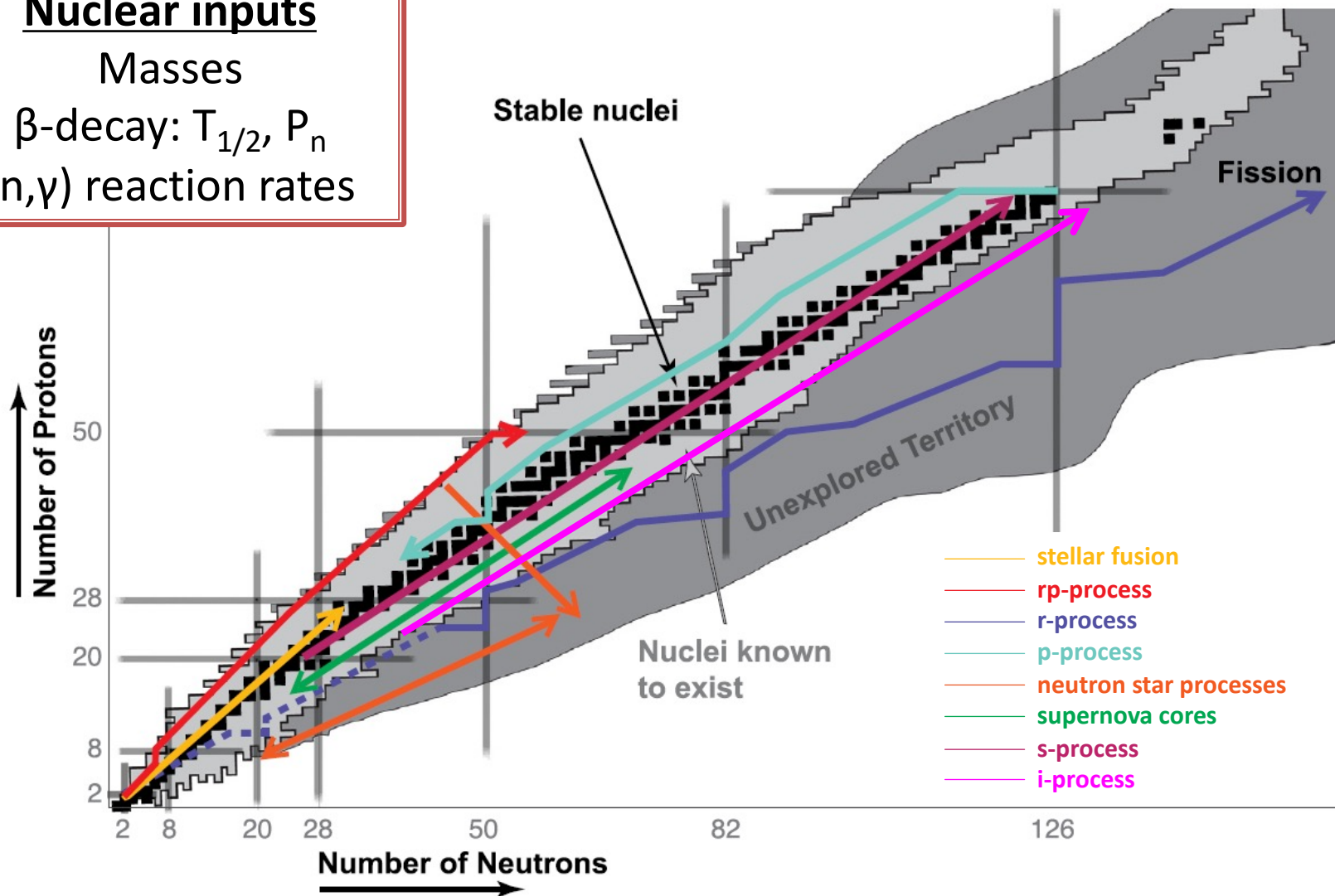
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Nuclear inputs

Masses

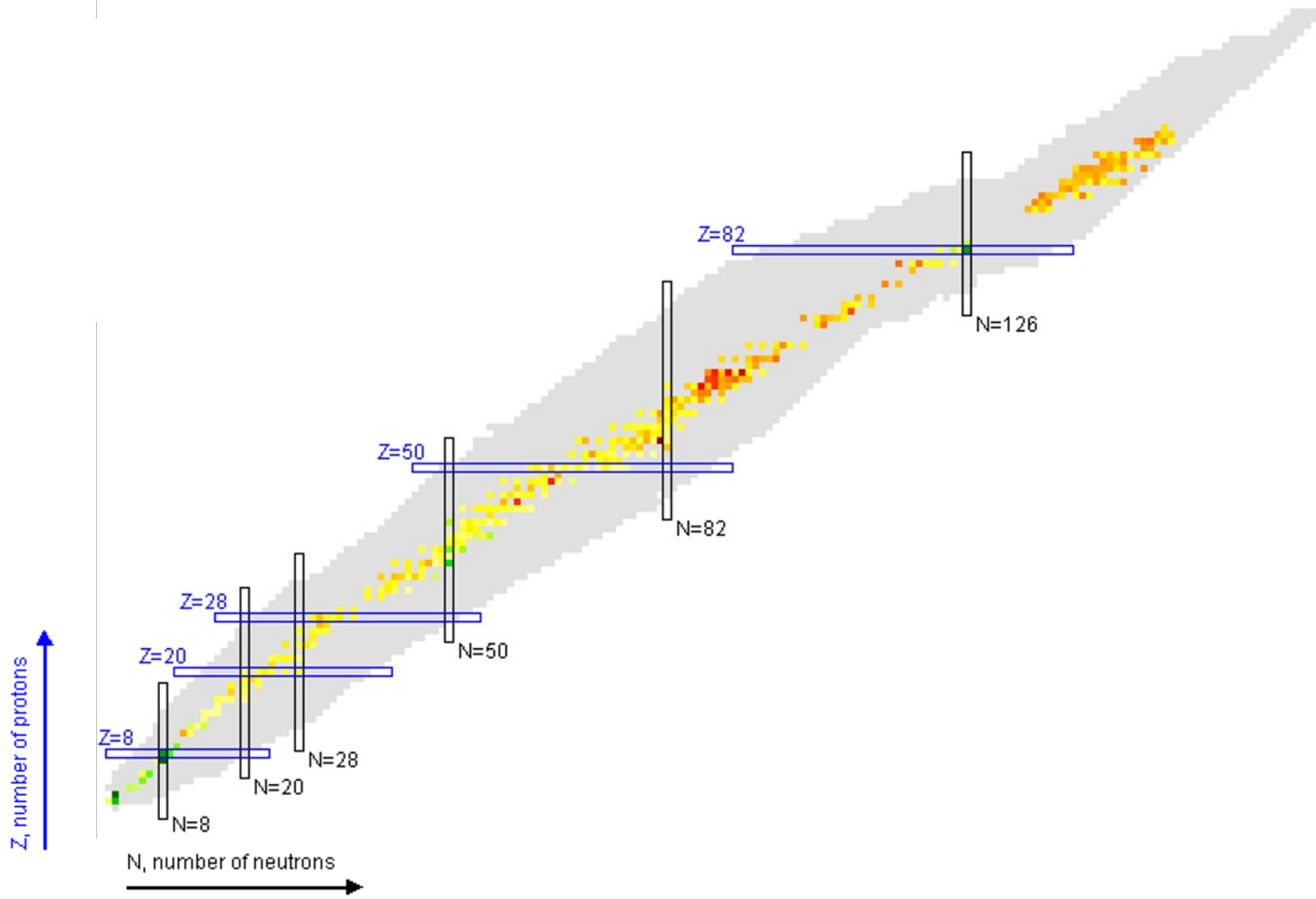
β -decay: $T_{1/2}$, P_n

(n,γ) reaction rates



- stellar fusion
- rp-process
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- p-process
- neutron star processes
- supernova cores
- s-process
- i-process

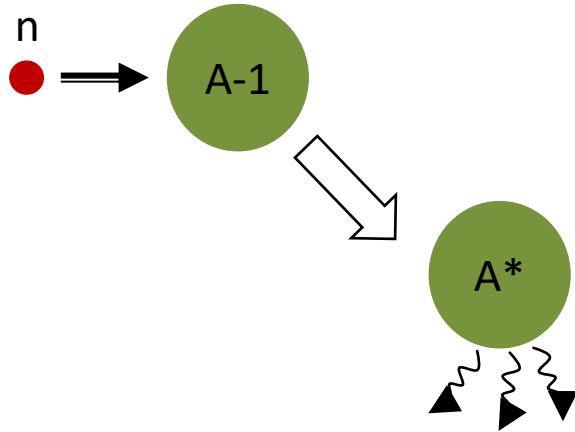
Current (n, γ) measurements are limited



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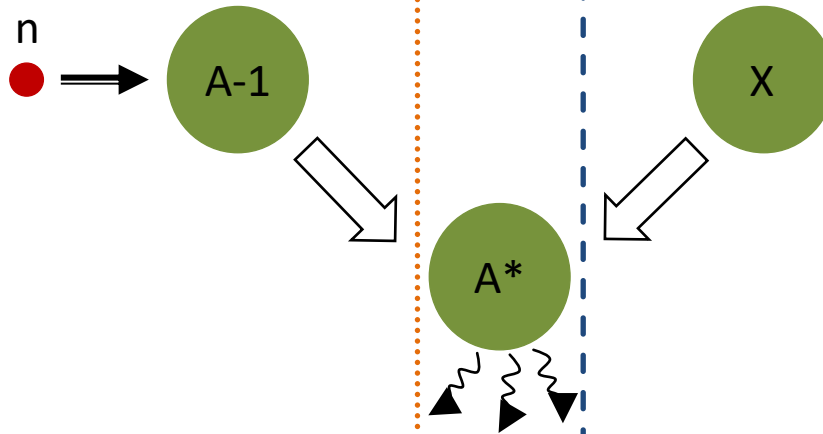
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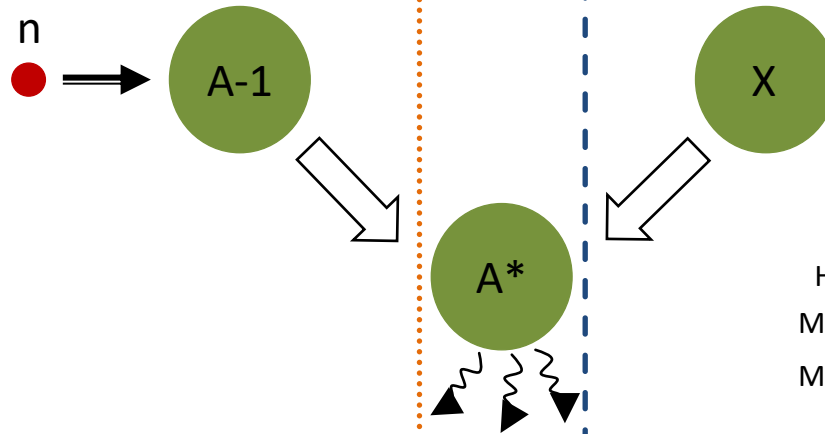
Examples:

Oslo Method

β -Oslo Method

Surrogate Method

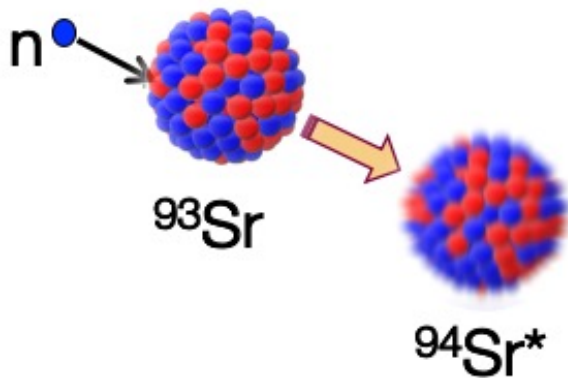
γ -ray strength method



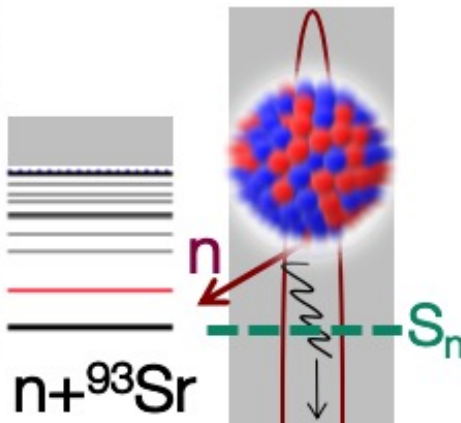
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Surrogate Reaction Method

Neutron capture



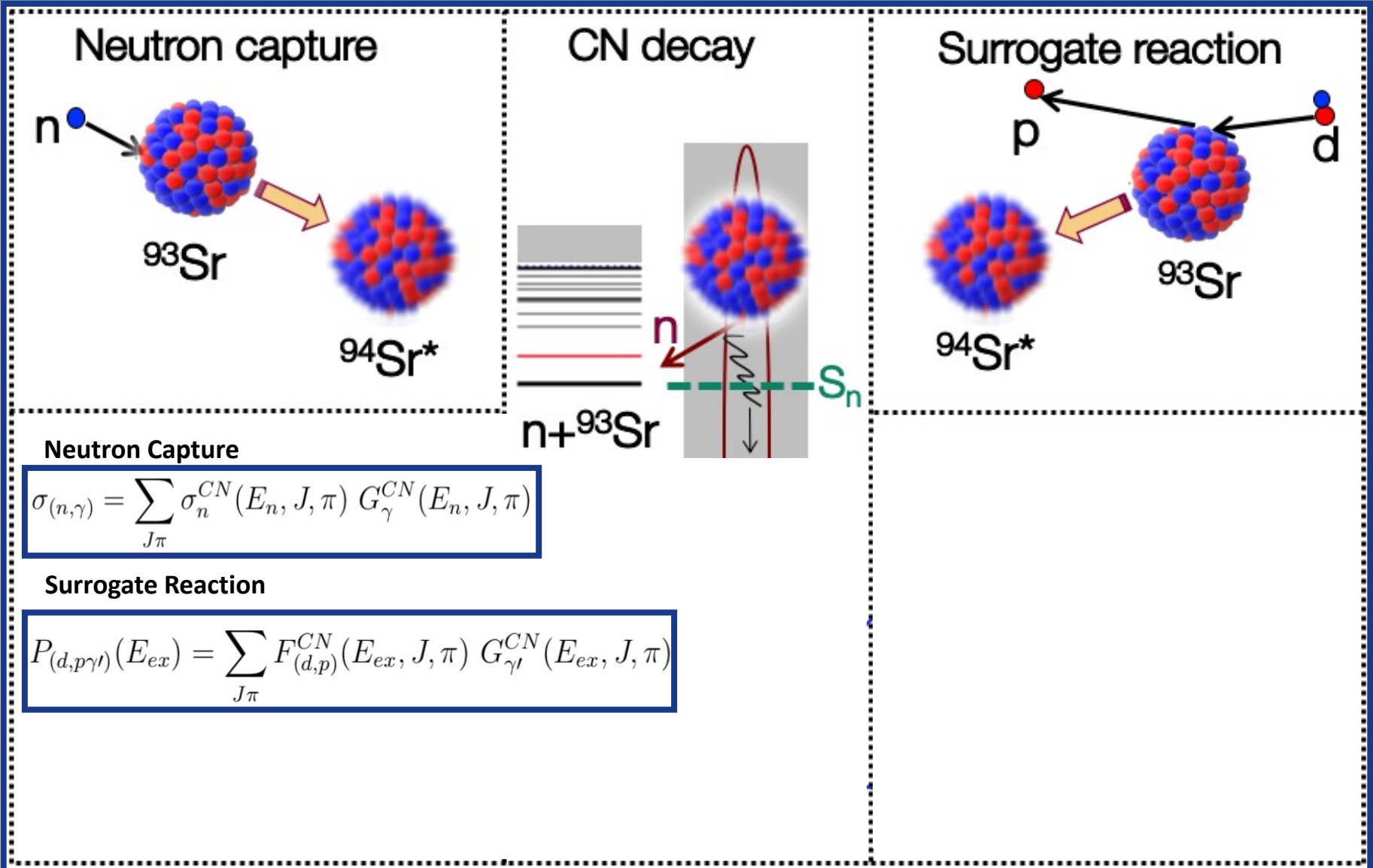
CN decay



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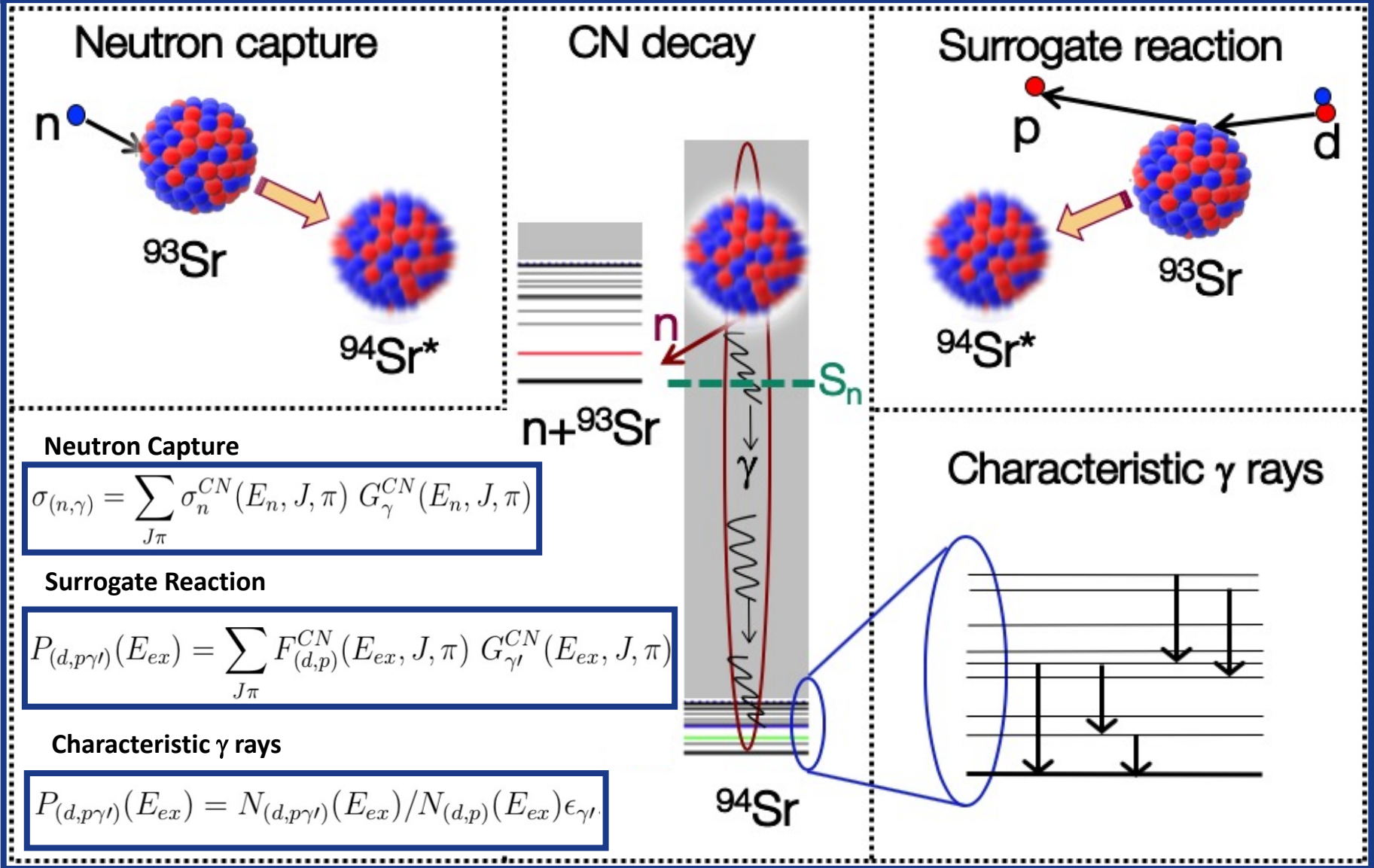
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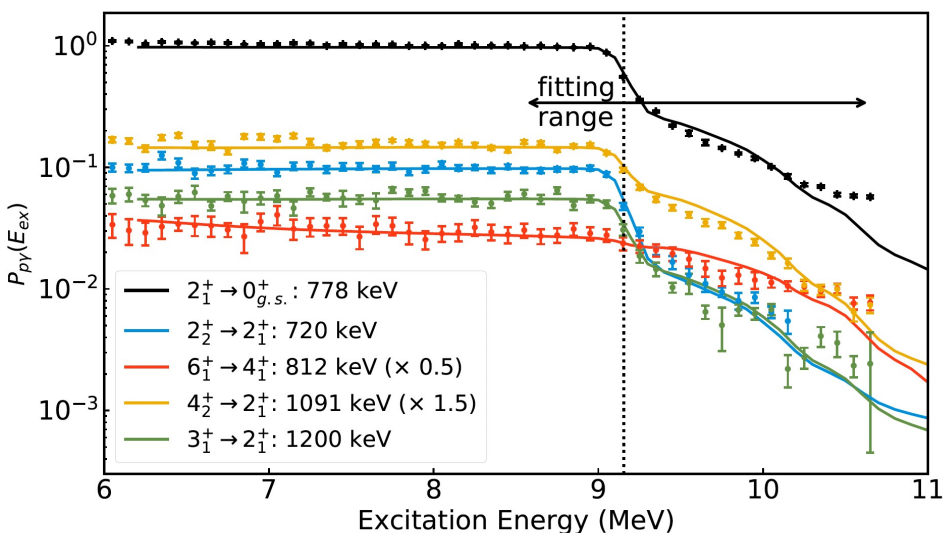
Characteristic γ rays

$$P_{(d,p\gamma t)}(E_{ex}) = N_{(d,p\gamma t)}(E_{ex}) / N_{(d,p)}(E_{ex}) \epsilon_{\gamma t}$$

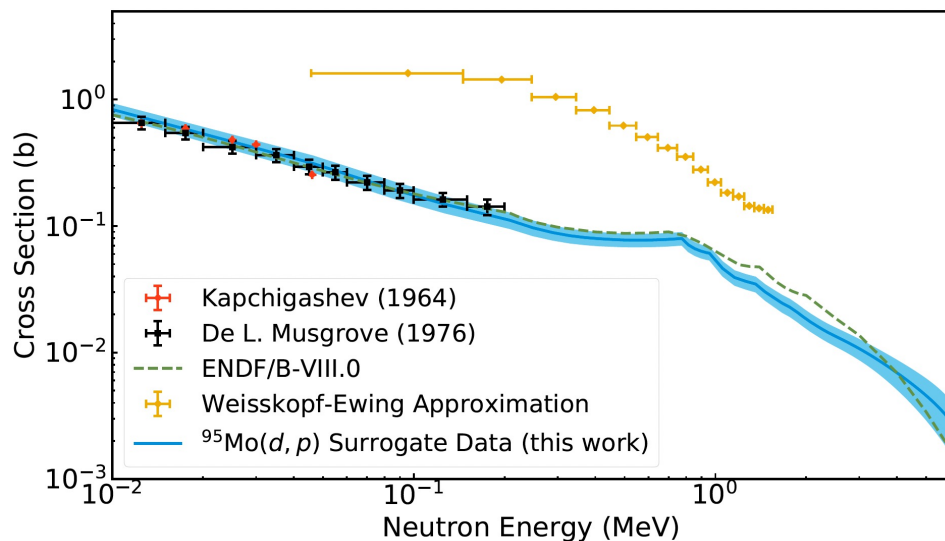
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γ -ray coincidence probabilities for characteristic γ rays in $^{95}\text{Mo}(d,p\gamma)$

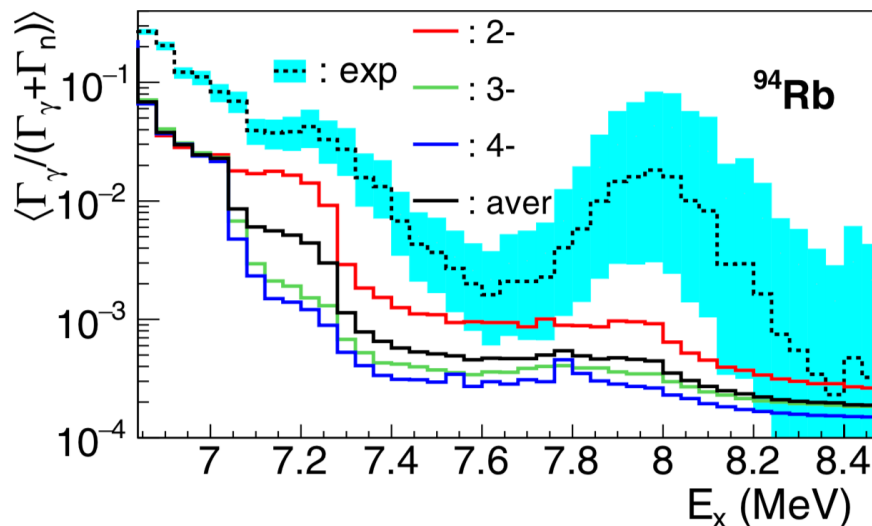


Constrained $^{95}\text{Mo}(n,\gamma)$ cross section



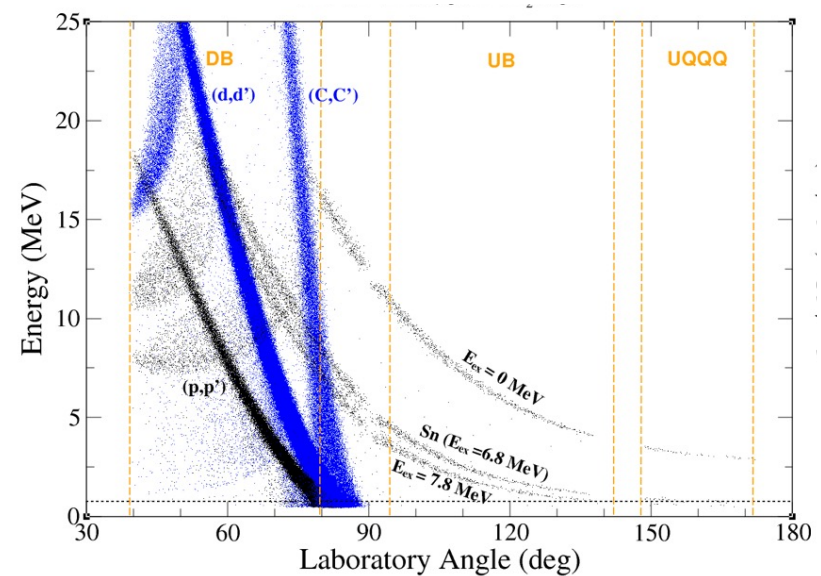
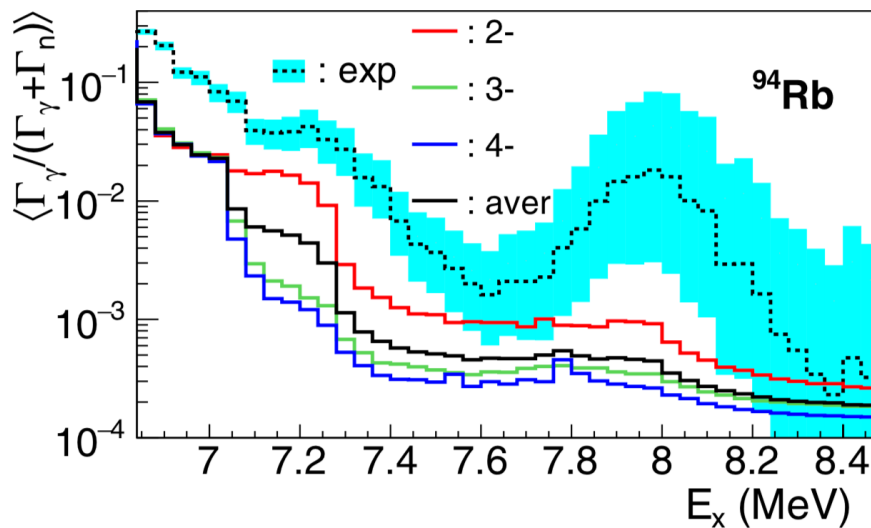
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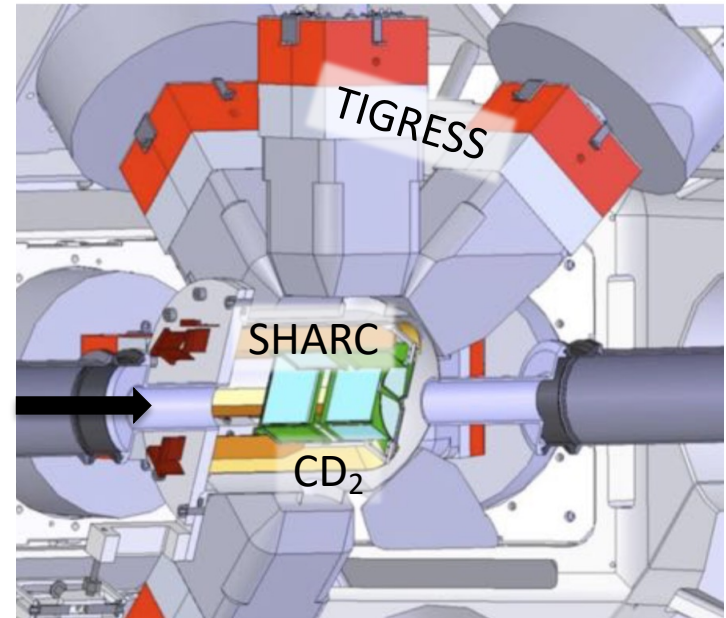
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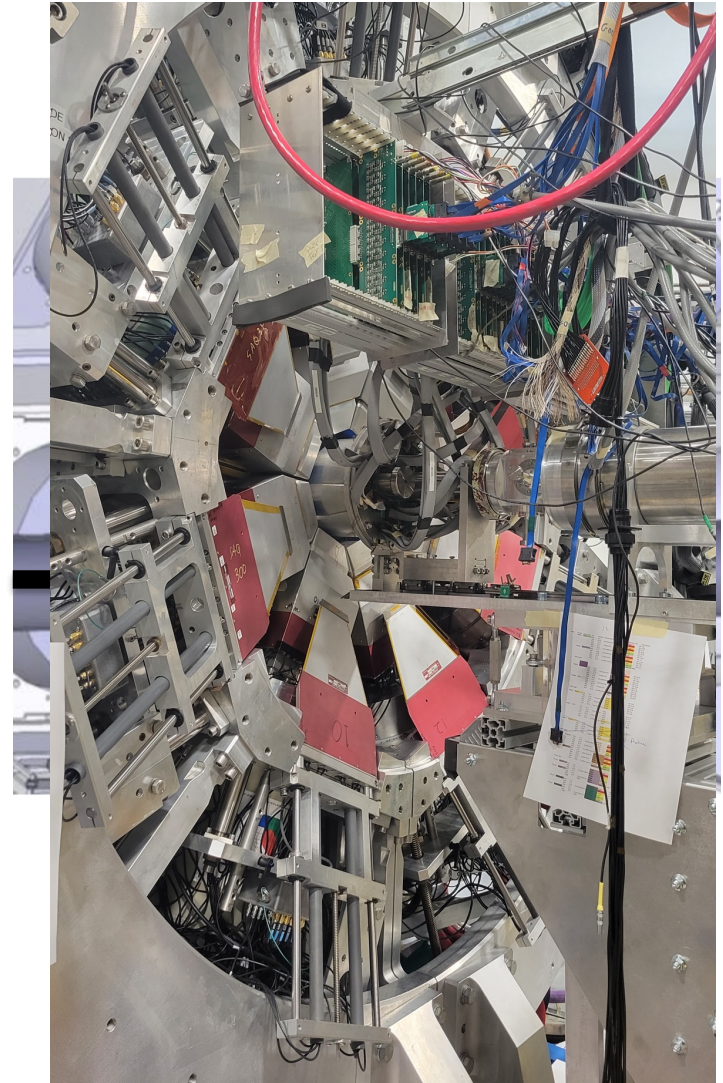


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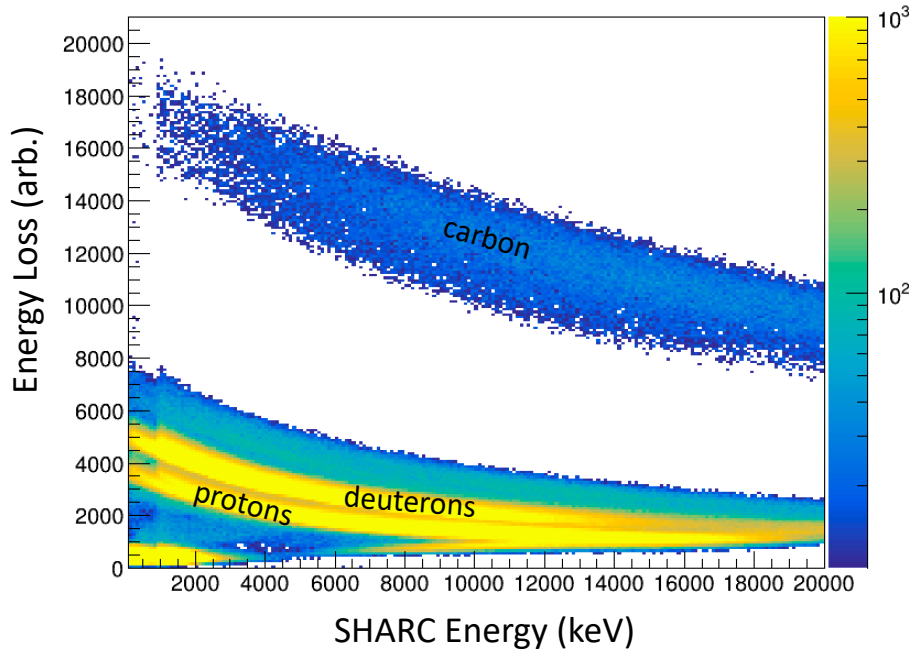


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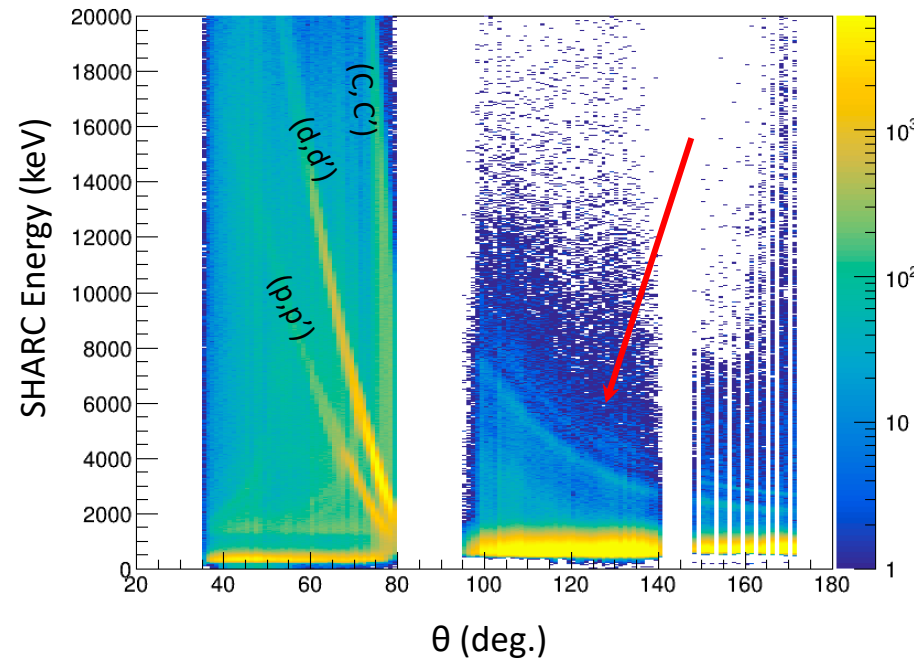


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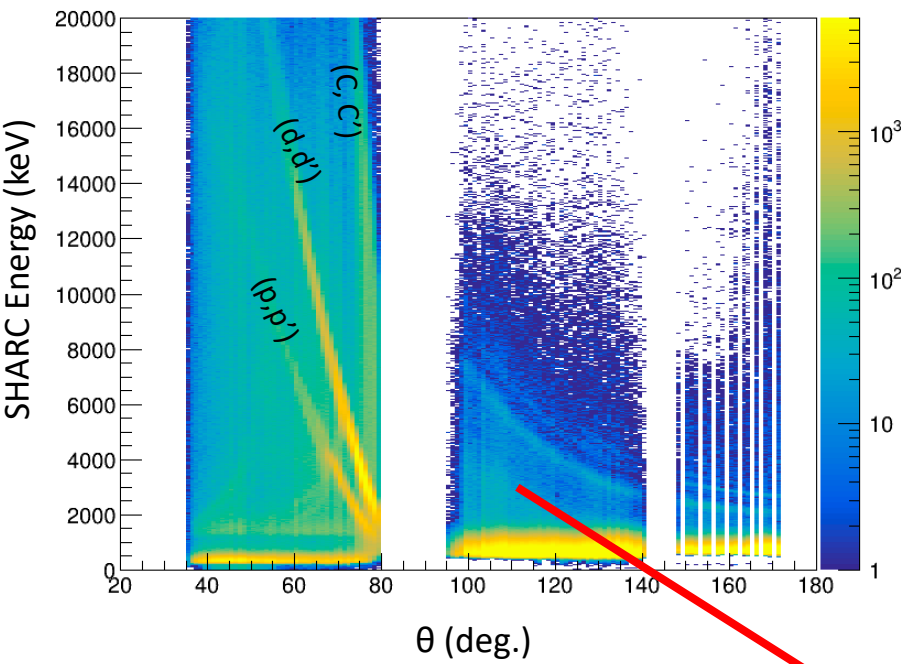
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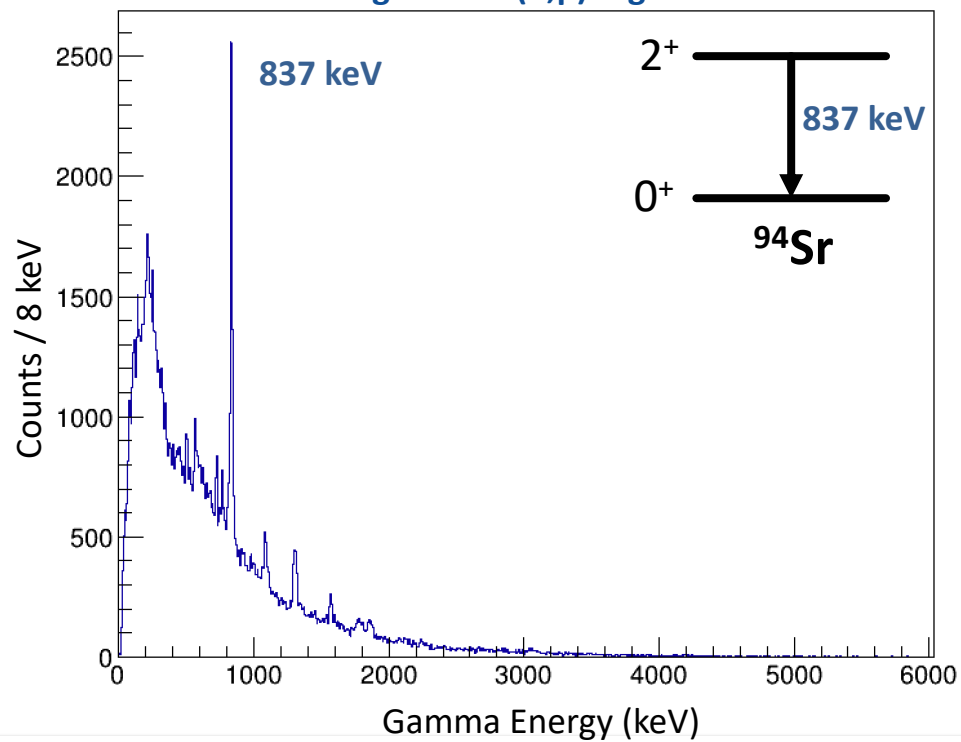
Kinematics of measured particles



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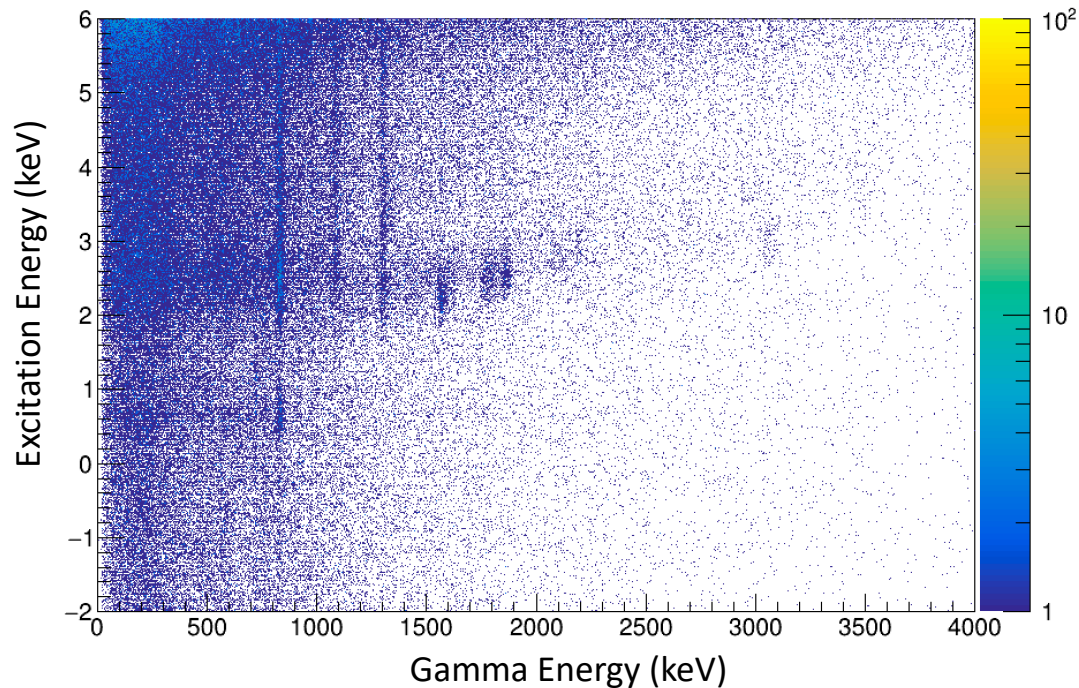


Doppler-corrected TIGRESS spectrum
gated on (d,p) region



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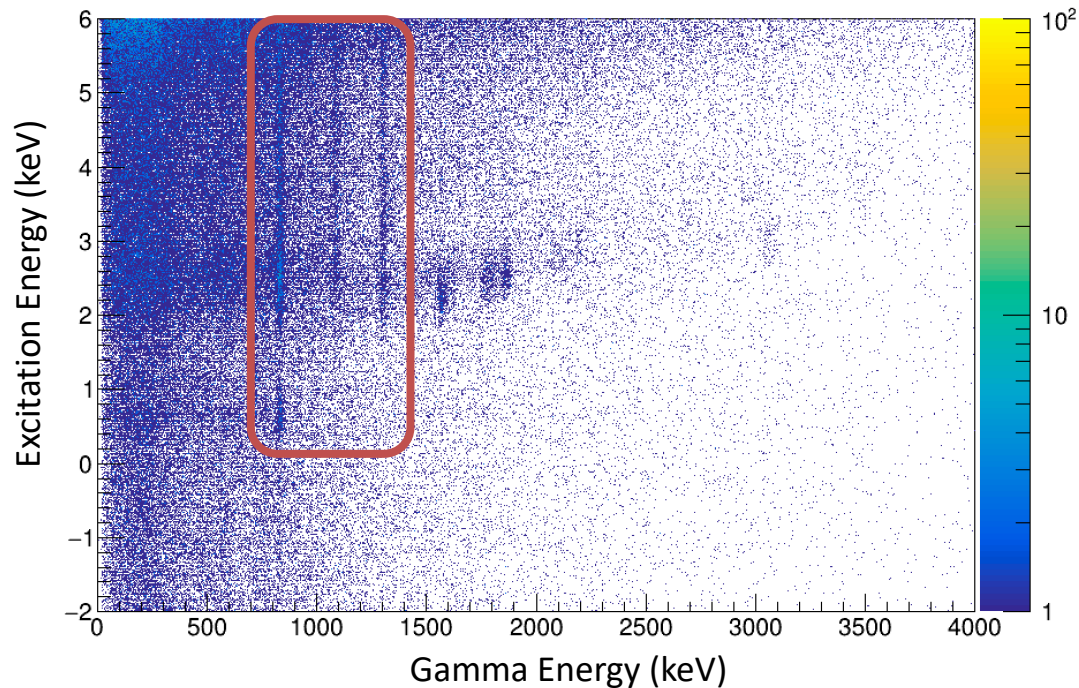
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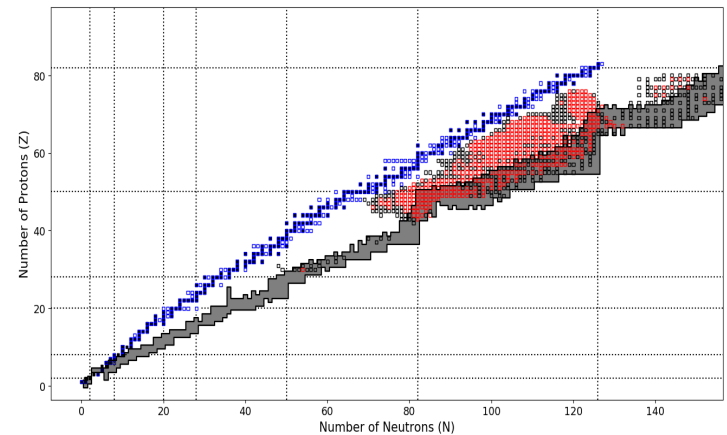
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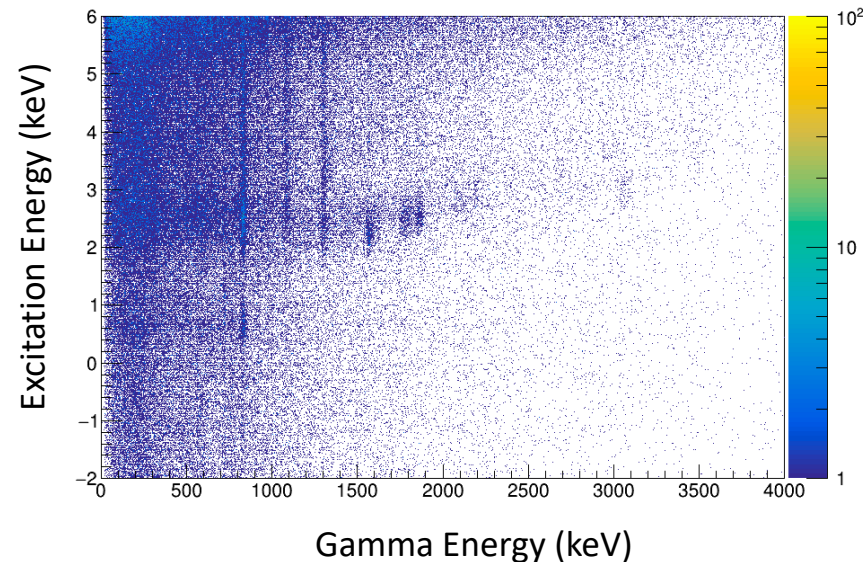
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Summary & Outlook

- (n,γ) reactions are vital for our understanding of nucleosynthesis
- Surrogate Reaction Method provides experimental constraints for (n,γ) reactions far from stability
- $^{93}\text{Sr}(n,\gamma)$ predicted to have enhanced (n,γ) rate from β -decay studies
- $^{93}\text{Sr}(d,p\gamma)$ performed at TRIUMF using SHARC + TIGRESS
- More results to come for ^{93}Sr and ^{95}Sr
- Many opportunities at FRIB, nuCARIBU, TRIUMF



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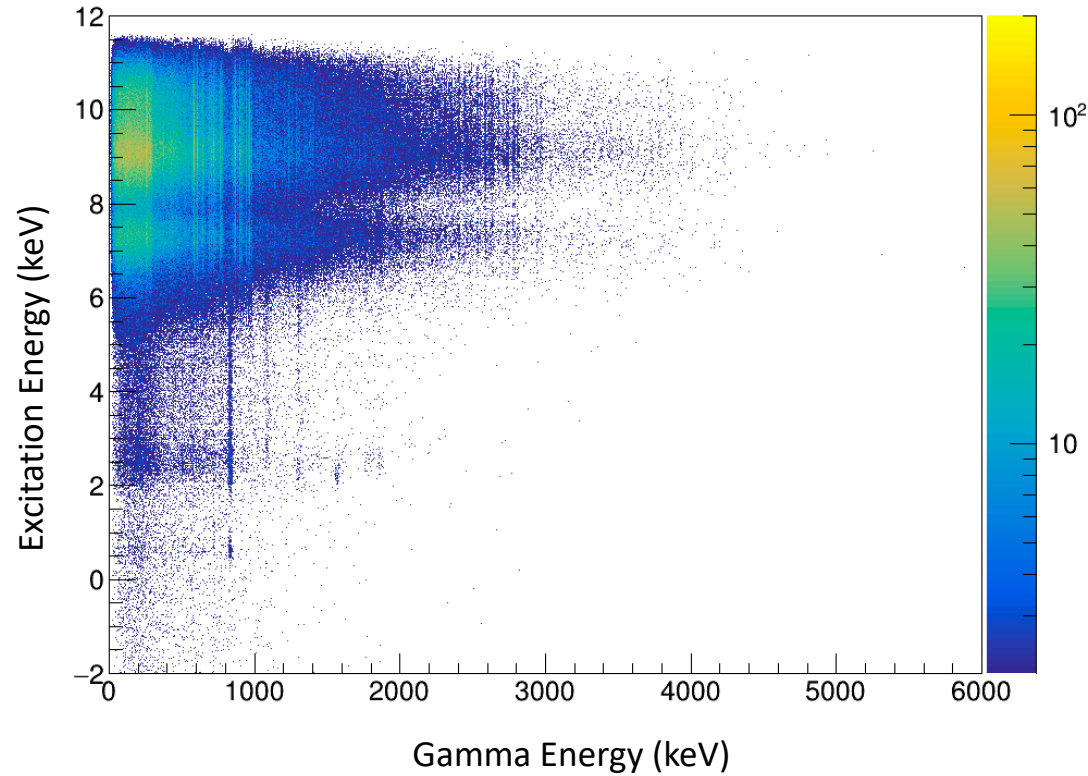
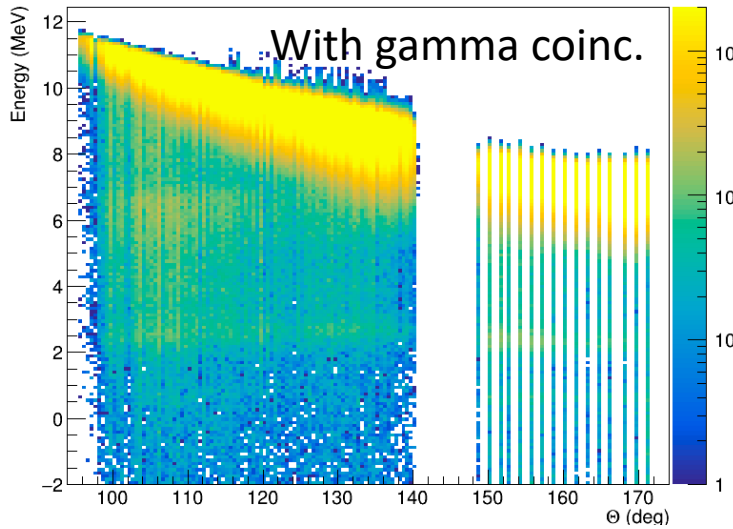
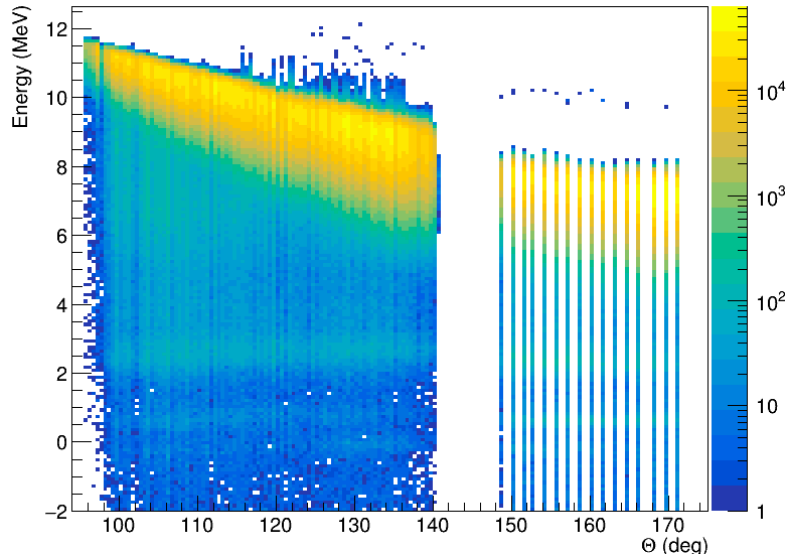
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Excitation Energy Plots



Excitation energy with identified levels and gammas

