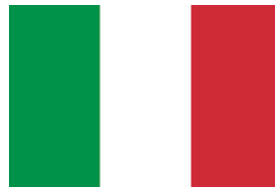
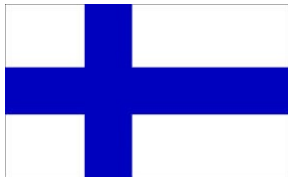




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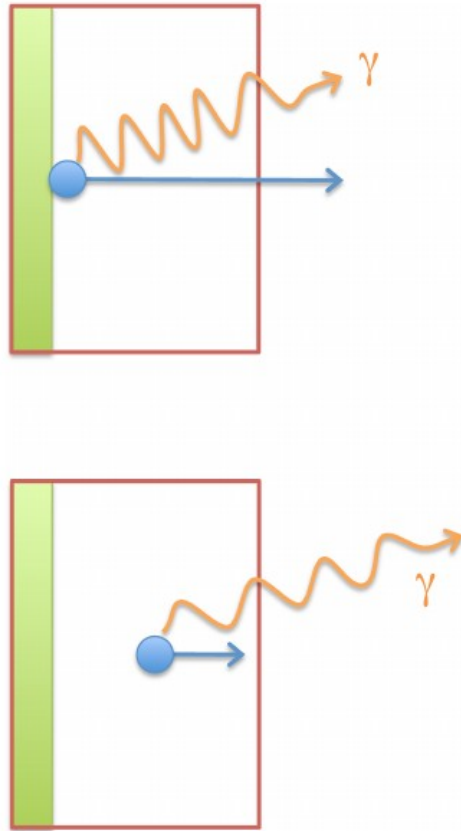


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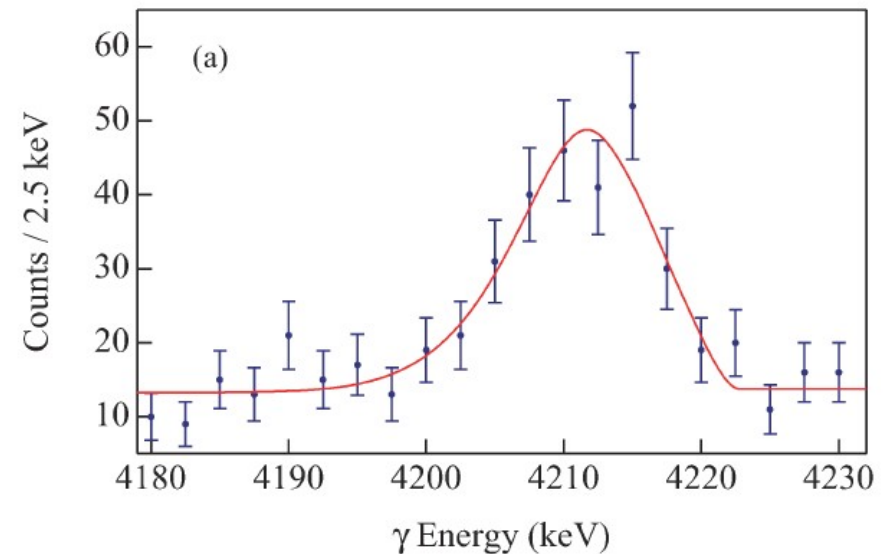
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Principle:



$$\tau = 1 \text{ fs} - 10 \text{ ps}$$

Previous experiment at TRIUMF ( $^{19}\text{Ne}$ )  
*Mythili et al.*, PRC **77**, 035803 (2008)



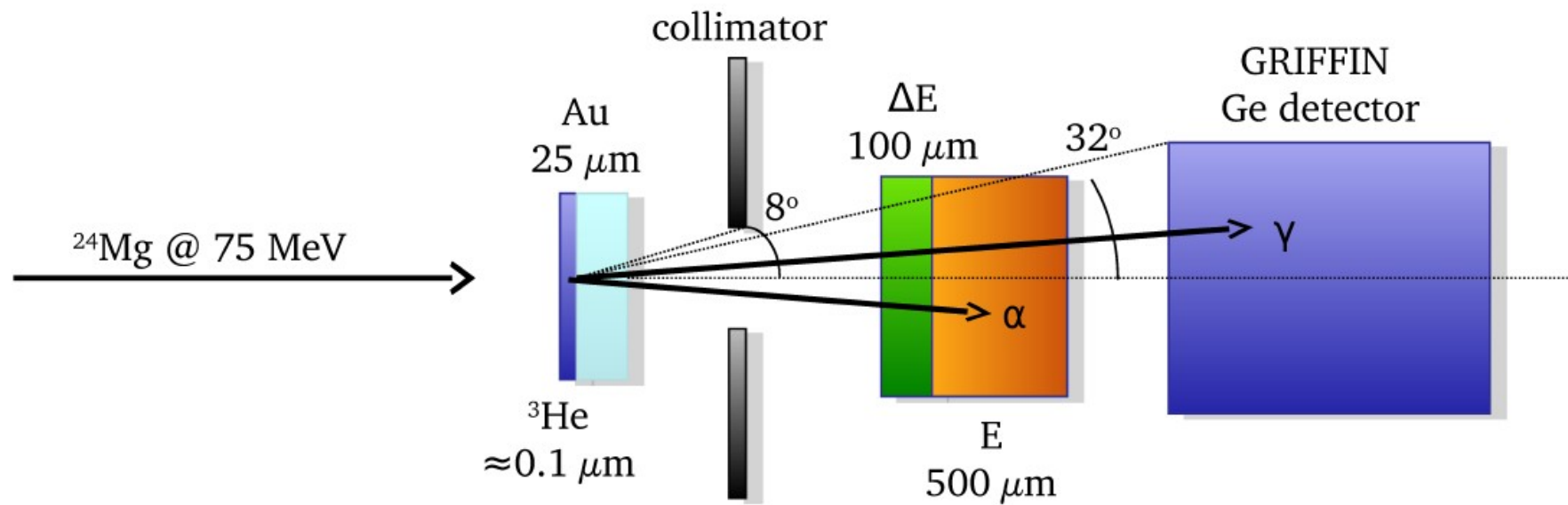
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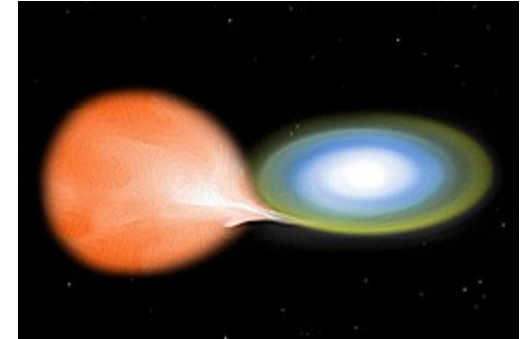
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**Table 1.** Radioactivities in nova ejecta.

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$^{18}\text{F}$	158 min	$\beta^+$ -decay	511 keV line and continuum	CO and ONe
$^7\text{Be}$	77 days	$e^-$ -capture	478 keV line	CO
$^{22}\text{Na}$	3.75 years	$\beta^+$ -decay	1275 and 511 keV lines	ONe
$^{26}\text{Al}$	$10^6$ years	$\beta^+$ -decay	1809 and 511 keV lines	ONe

destruction mechanism:  $^{22}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)$



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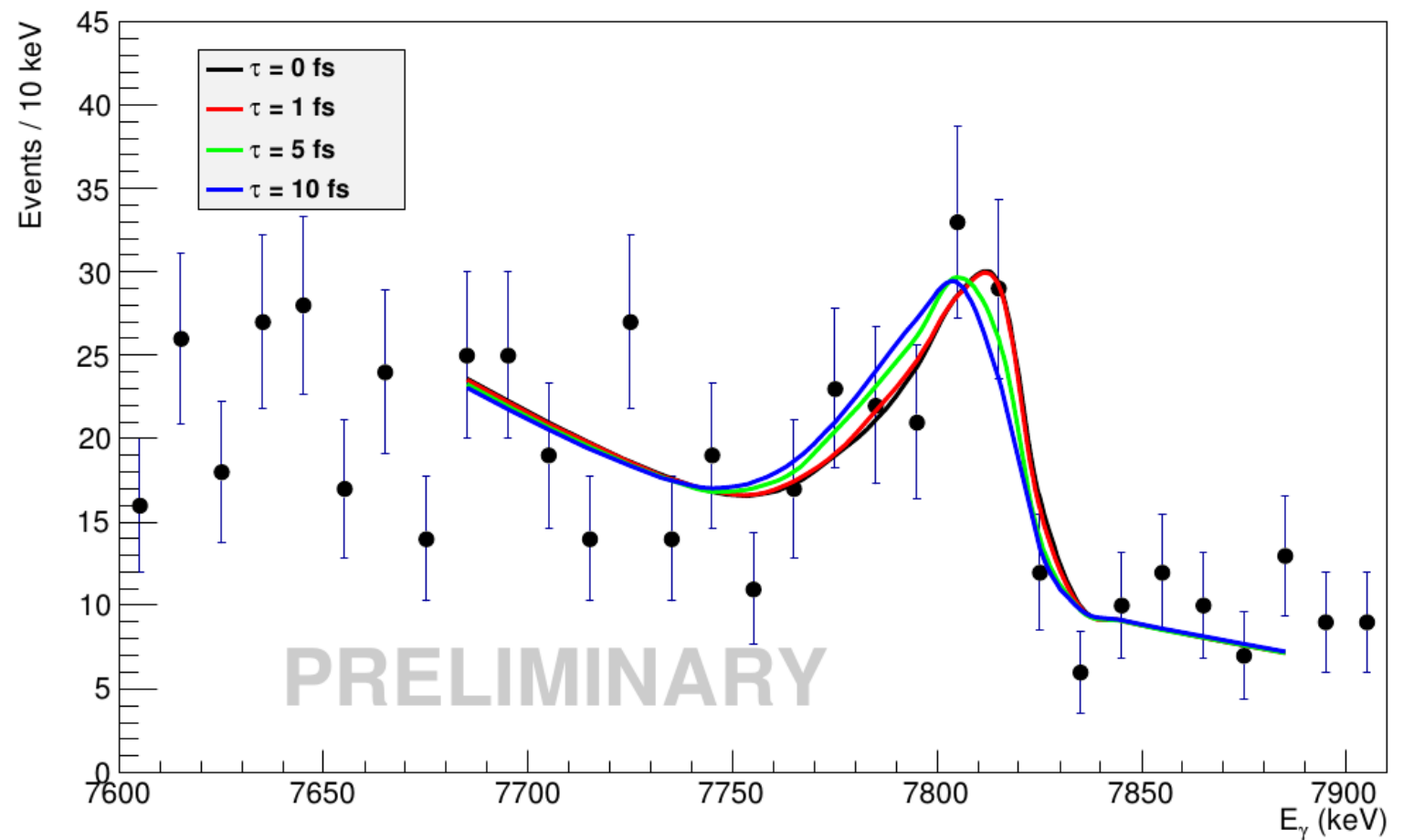
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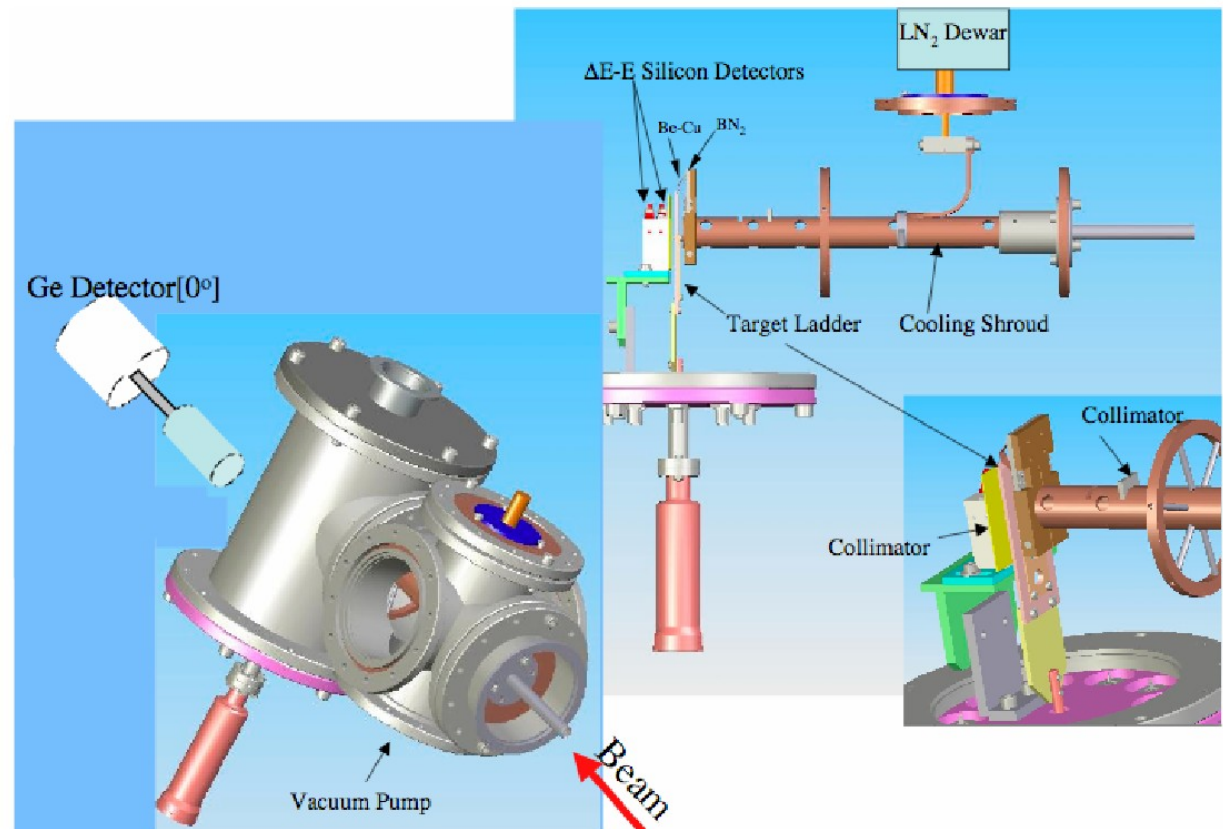
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### 6. Main challenges:

- Simulation/modelling of gamma-peak shape
- Cooling system

### 7. MAGISOL interest ??

- for example  $^{32}\text{S}(^3\text{He},\alpha)$





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$^{14}\text{N} + ^{10}\text{B}$  at 95 MeV

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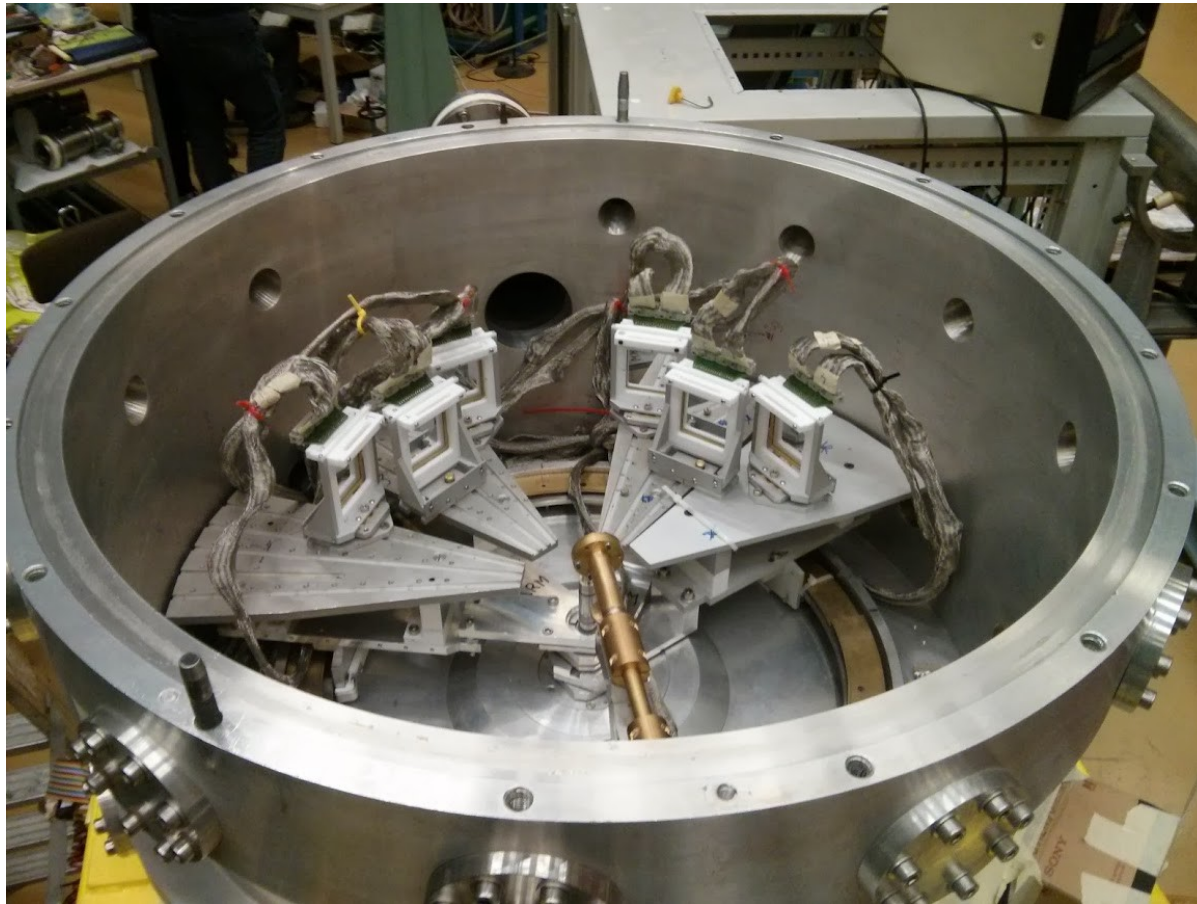
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## 3. How?



**$\Delta E$**

16 strips

20  $\mu\text{m}$

single-sided

**$E$**

16x16 strips

1000  $\mu\text{m}$

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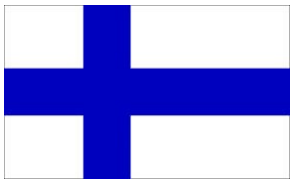
#### **Legnaro (Tandem-ALPI-PIAVE)**

- Semi-permanent setup at dedicated beam line

#### **Zagreb (6 MV tandem)**

- Nuclear reactions and high-resolution PIXE





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## $^{20}\text{F}$ beta decay

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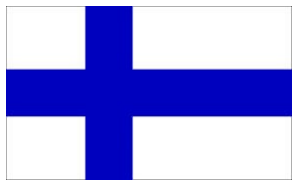
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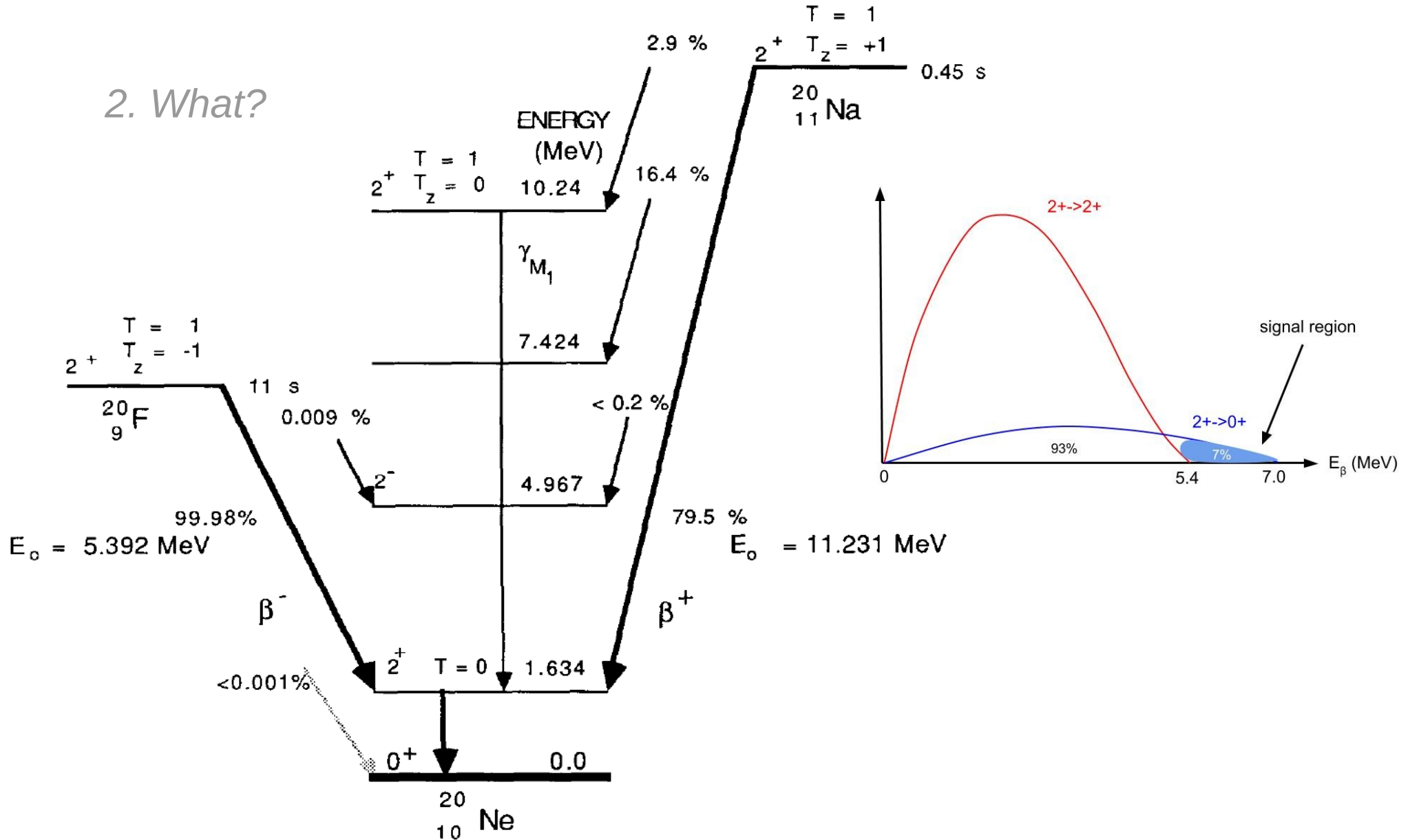
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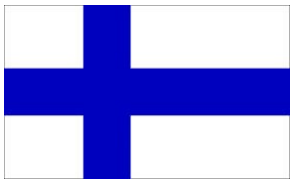


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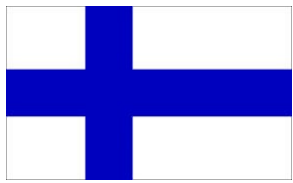
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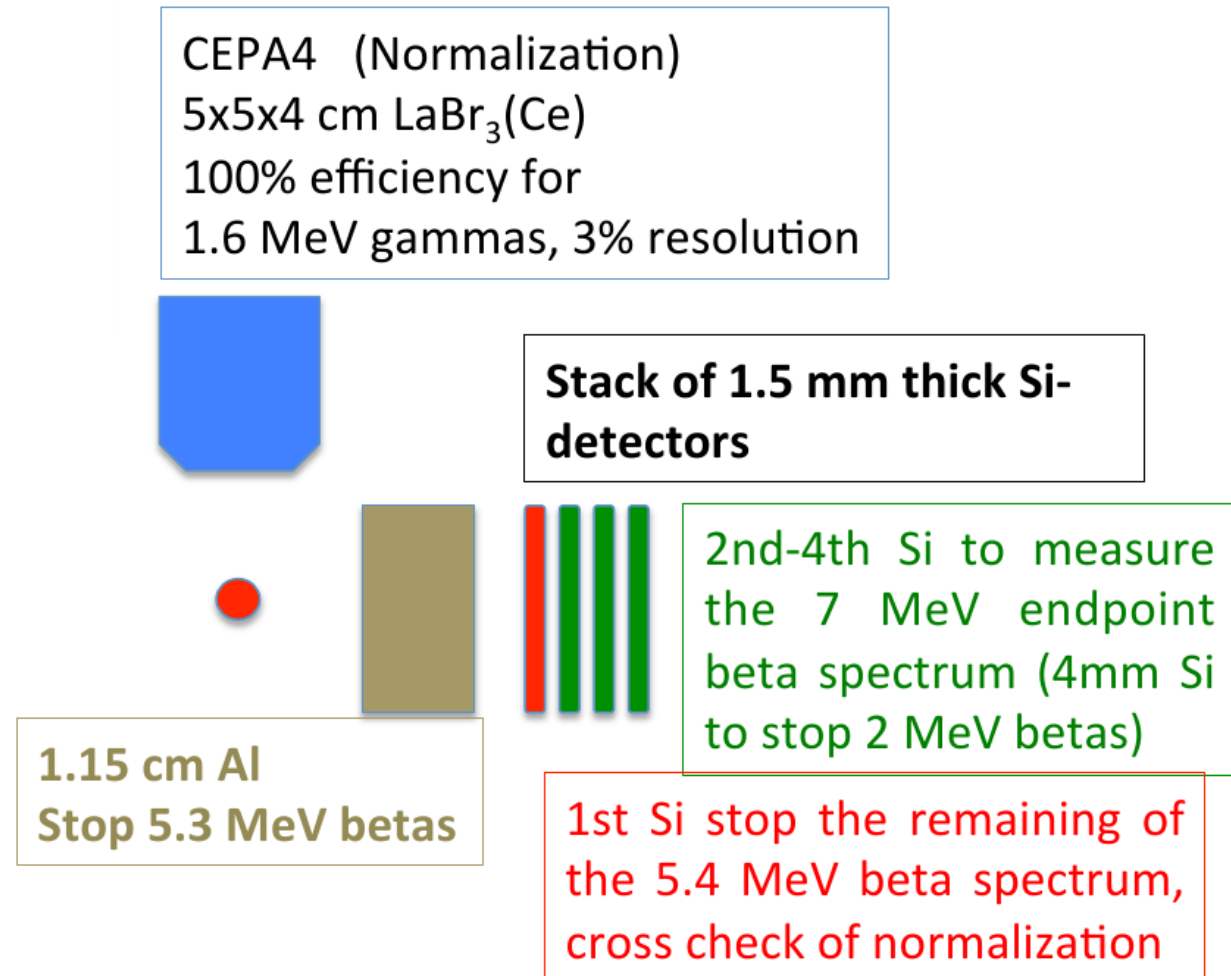




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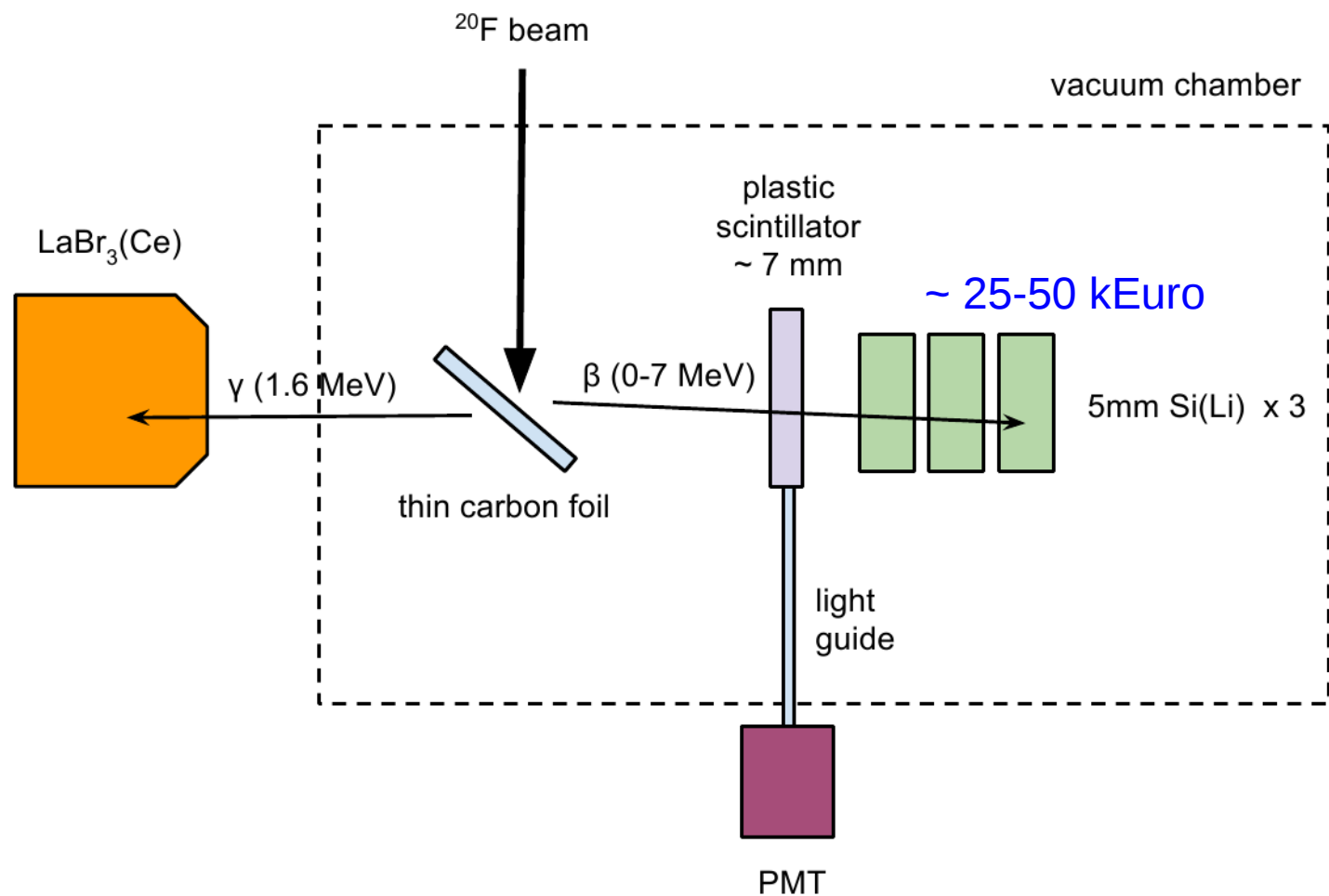




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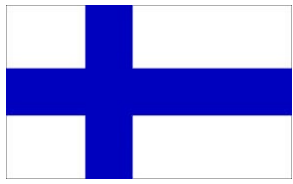
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### Background:

- 1)  $\beta+\gamma$  summing
- 2) pile-up
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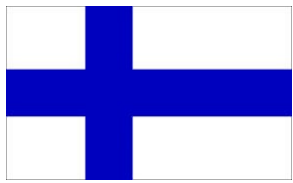
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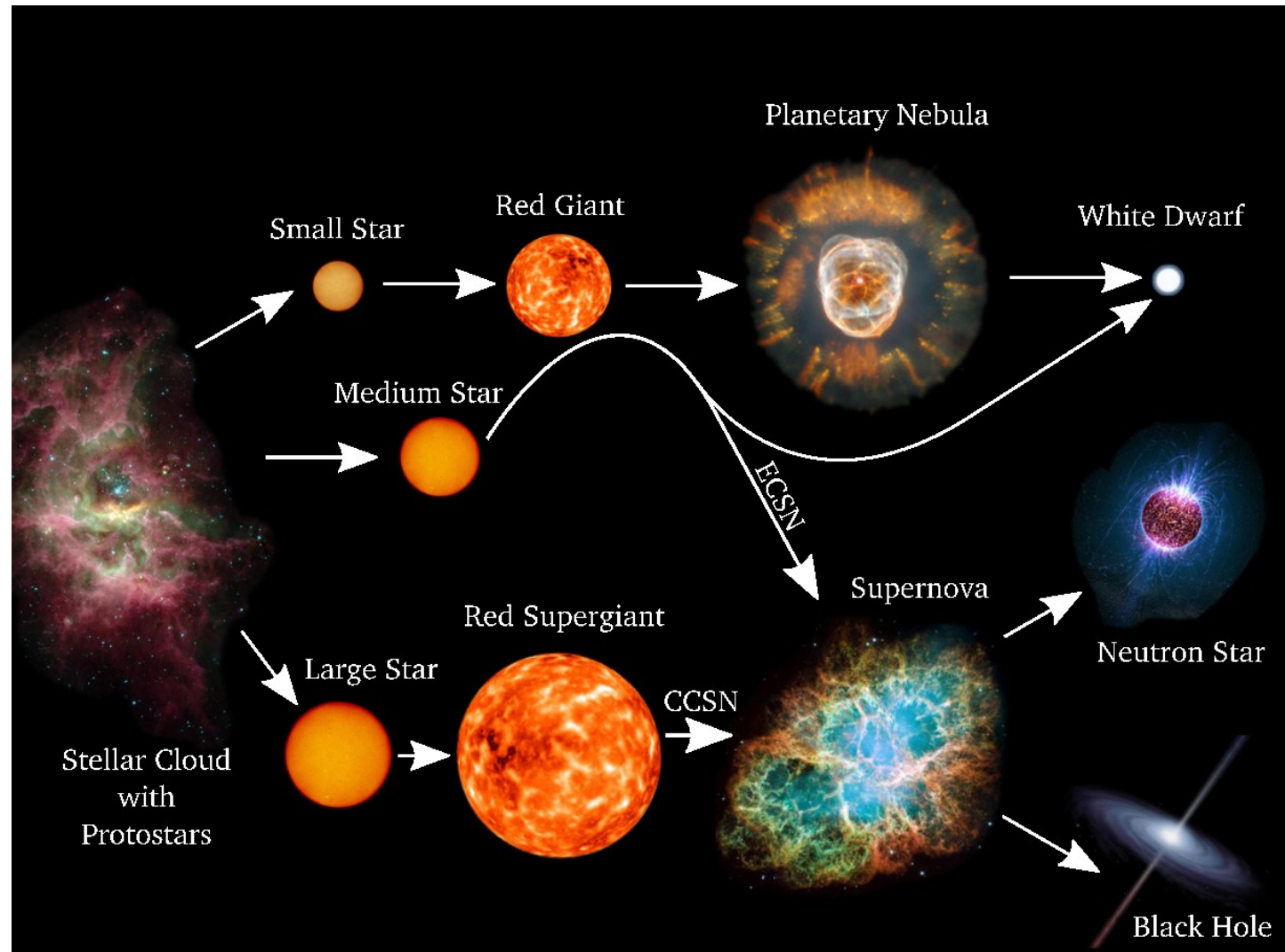
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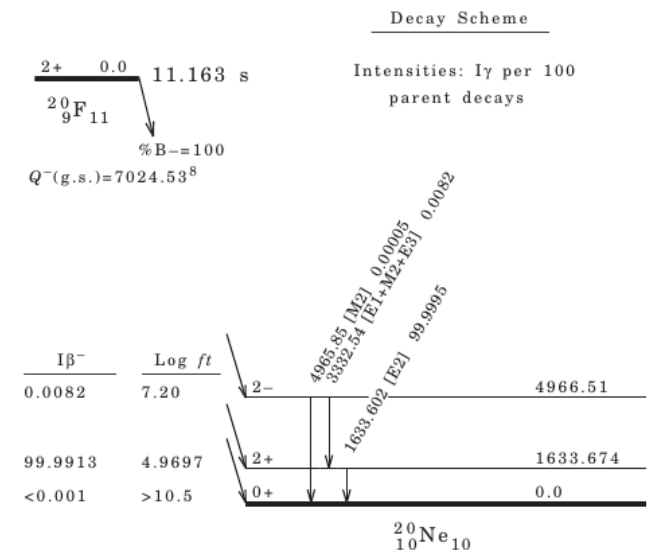
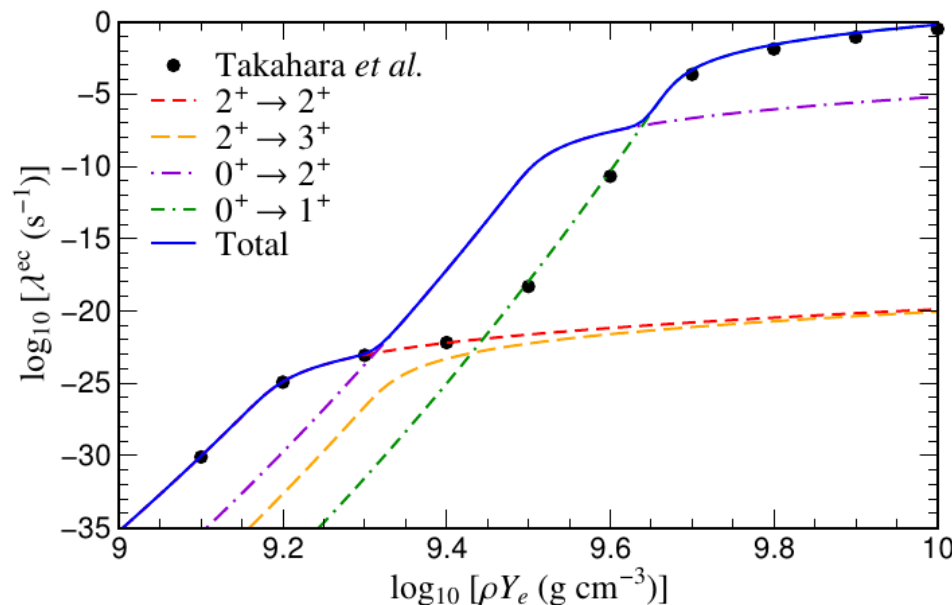


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## $^{20}\text{F}$ beta decay

### 4. Why?

- Low mass stars ( $\sim 9 M_{\odot}$ ) develop an ONeMg core during the evolution that becomes unstable due to electron captures.
- Particularly important is electron capture on  $^{20}\text{Ne}$ . The rate is basically known experimentally except for an unknown second-forbidden ground-state ground-state transition.





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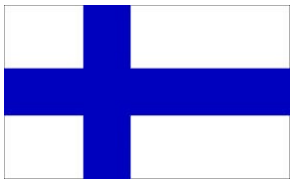
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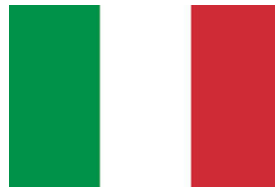
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### Next steps:

- GEANT4 simulations (Kike, myself, ...)
- Tests with neutron-activated sources in Aarhus



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