# TAMUTRAP plans for and progress towards β-p correlation studies



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### **Measure means instead of 2<sup>nd</sup> moments**



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#### T = 2, 3/2 pure Fermi and Gamow-Teller decays



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## An IGISOL system at the Cyclotron Institute



# **Developing the RIBs for TAMUTRAP**

- Efficiency is absolutely critical
  - IGISOL at Jyvaskyla quotes
    5% efficiency for gas cell
  - ★ Gas cell [5%] → separator [85%]
    → cooler/buncher [20%]
    - → Penning trap
  - Estimate for rates of proton-rich nuclei in the trap:

<sup>21</sup> Mg	2650
<sup>25</sup> Si	1425
<sup>29</sup> S	850
<sup>33</sup> Ar	760
<sup>37</sup> Ca	190

<sup>20</sup> Mg	40
<sup>24</sup> Si	30
<sup>28</sup> S	25
<sup>32</sup> Ar	10
<sup>36</sup> Ca	2



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 Efficiency of <sup>25</sup>Si production *already*

0.13(2)%!!

1–2% no problem; 5% is achievable

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#### But 120° doesn't fit our existing equipment...

To bend up, need 45° + 45° instead

Collaborate with G. Berg, M. Couder and M. Brodeur (ND) to build the Light-ion guide Separator for TAMU's K150 RIBS



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# LSTAR performance specs and status

- Using COSY to optimize efficiency versus resolution
- Higher-order abberations
  corrected (G. Berg, M. Couder)
- SimION to estimate emittance from gas cell & SPIG
  - **\* FQ** comparison ⇒ off by  $2 \times ?$



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#### DOE funded \$0.78M

Start construction soon! (this spring)

# The TAMUTRAP facility at the Cyclotron Institute



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# Mass measurement of stable ions

- Find resonant frequencies for <sup>23</sup>Na, <sup>85,87</sup>Rb, <sup>133</sup>Cs and <sup>39</sup>K
- Use AME value for <sup>39</sup>K, and calculate other masses
- Good agreement with AME values (within uncertainties)
- Precision
  - ✤ <sup>23</sup>Na: 240 ppb
  - ₭ 85Rb: 5 ppb
  - ₭ 87Rb: 6 ppb



P.Shidling *et al.*, in preparation (Int J Mass Spect)

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# Final thoughts, people involved

- TAMUTRAP: commissioned, just need radioactive ions...
- LSTAR starting to be built; RIB in ~3 yrs?
- PENELOPE simulations are starting
  - Complement G4 for WISArD
  - Flush out the details of the concept for TAMUTRAP's detection
  - Backscattering, backscattering, backscattering...
- Benchmark G4 and PENELOPE using TRINAT's system



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- Much more common: backscattered out of the scintillator
- Signature: two separate pixels in the double-sided Si-strip detector with energy deposited in the scintillator



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 Assign 10% uncert to "scattered" events

\* All together, a  $\pm 0.0012$  uncert on  $\langle \cos \theta_{eff} \rangle$  and  $\pm 0.0007$  on  $A_{\beta}$ 



