

Gamma-strength functions and the proton capture reaction on ^{92}Mo

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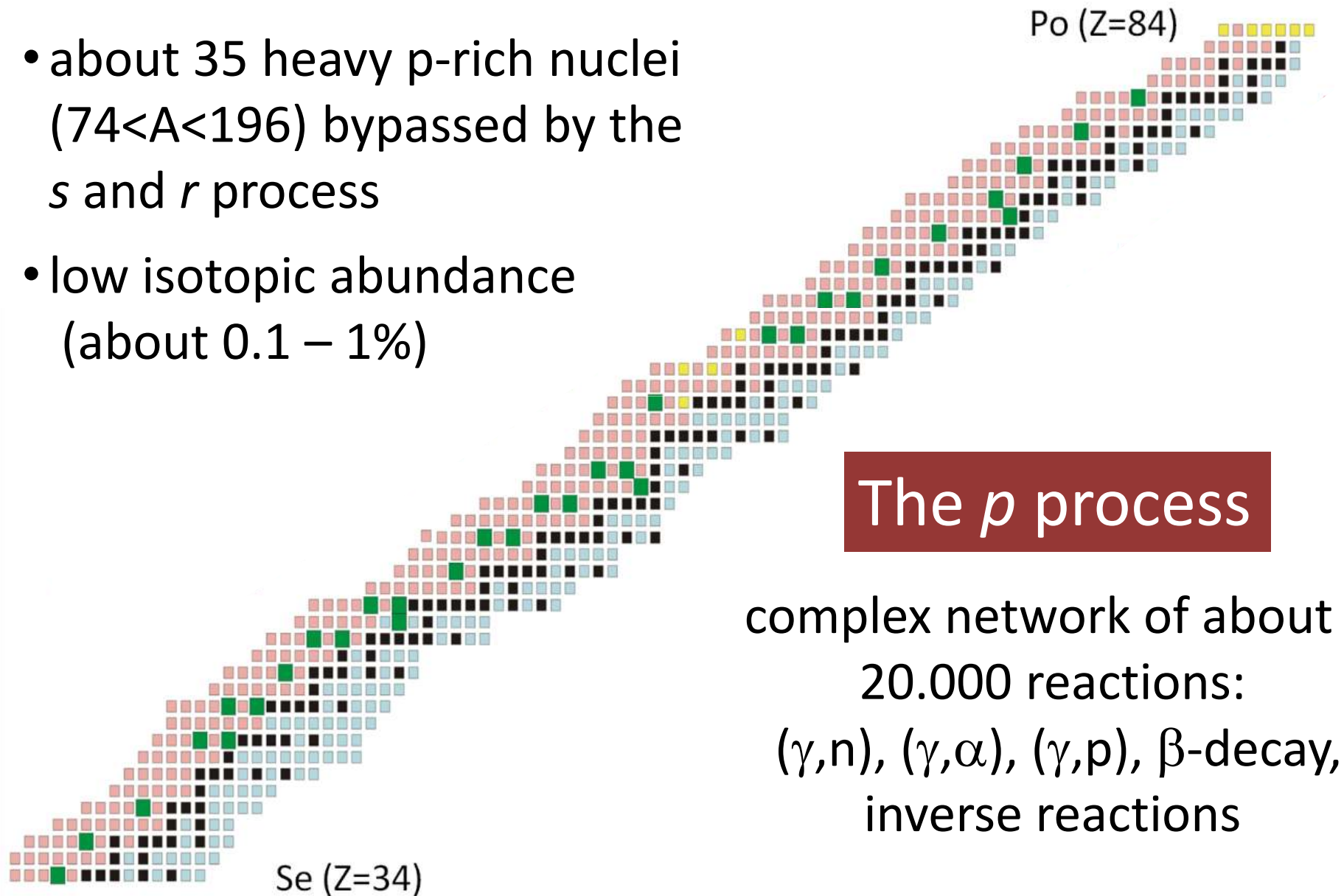
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A bit of Nuclear Astrophysics: The p nuclei

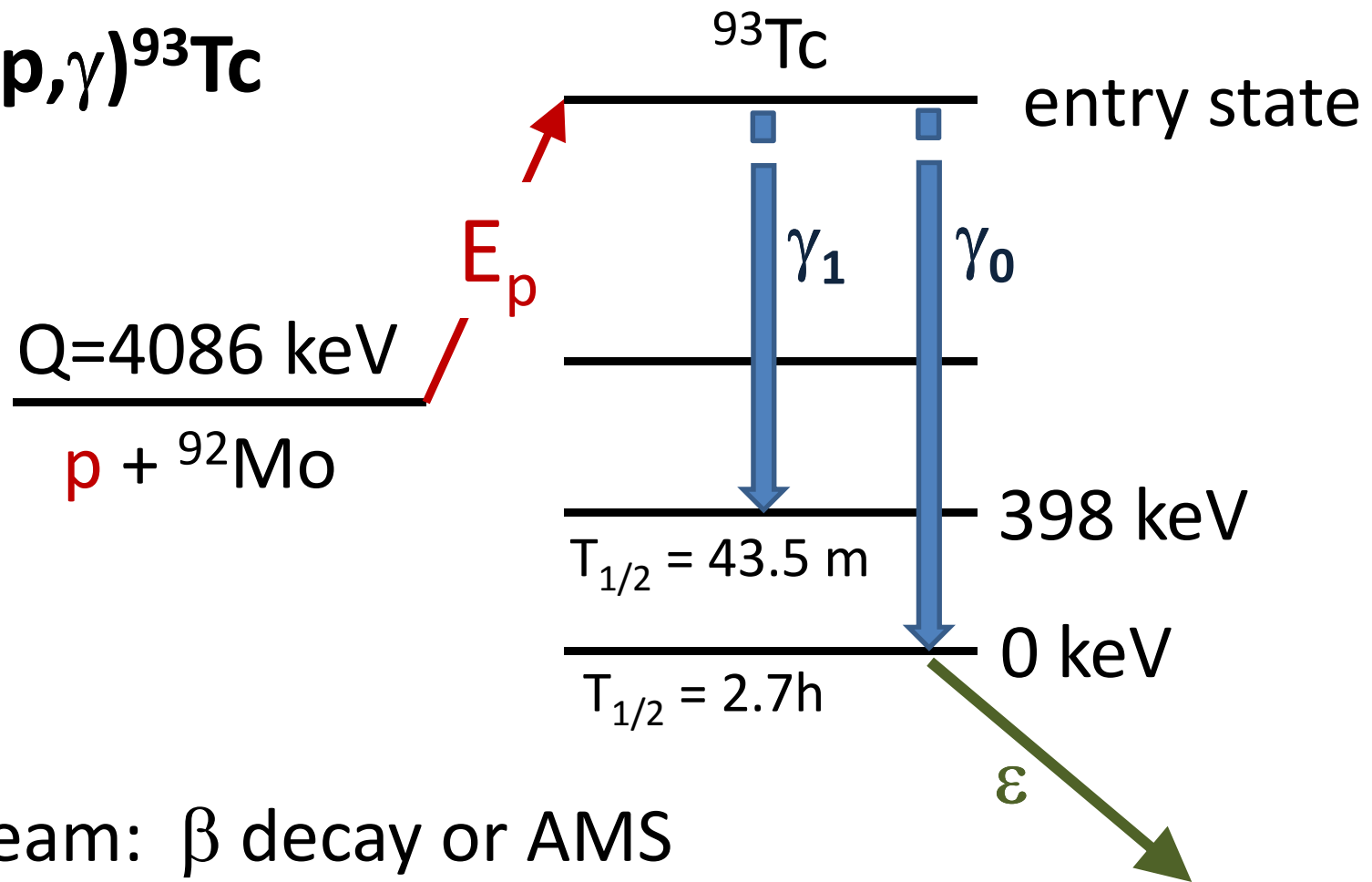
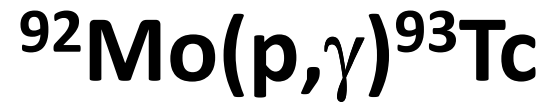
- about 35 heavy p -rich nuclei ($74 < A < 196$) bypassed by the s and r process
- low isotopic abundance (about 0.1 – 1%)



Nuclear Physics input for the p process

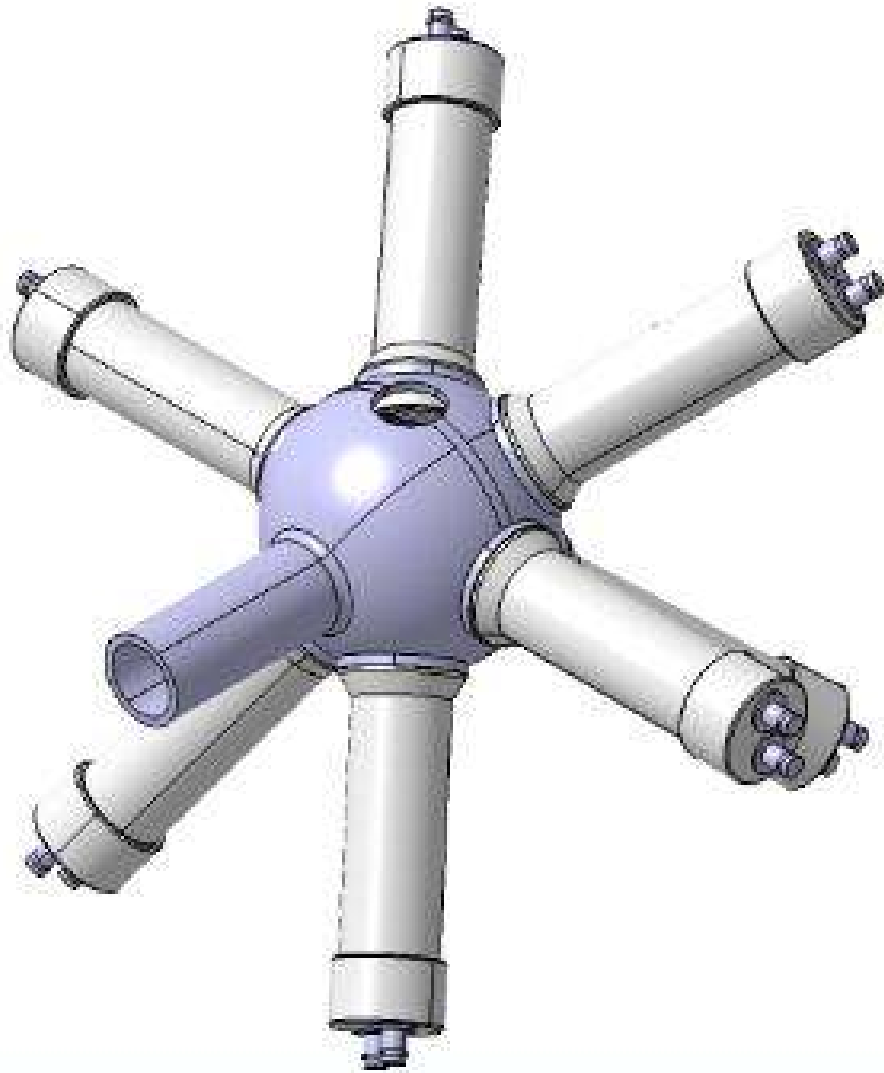
- Ground state masses
- Properties of excited states
- Level densities
- Optical potentials (p,n, α – nucleus)
- Gamma strength functions

A radiative capture experiment



- off-beam: β decay or AMS
- in-beam: - summing crystal $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{total}}$
- HPGe spectroscopy $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{partial}}$

The HORUS array at IKP Köln

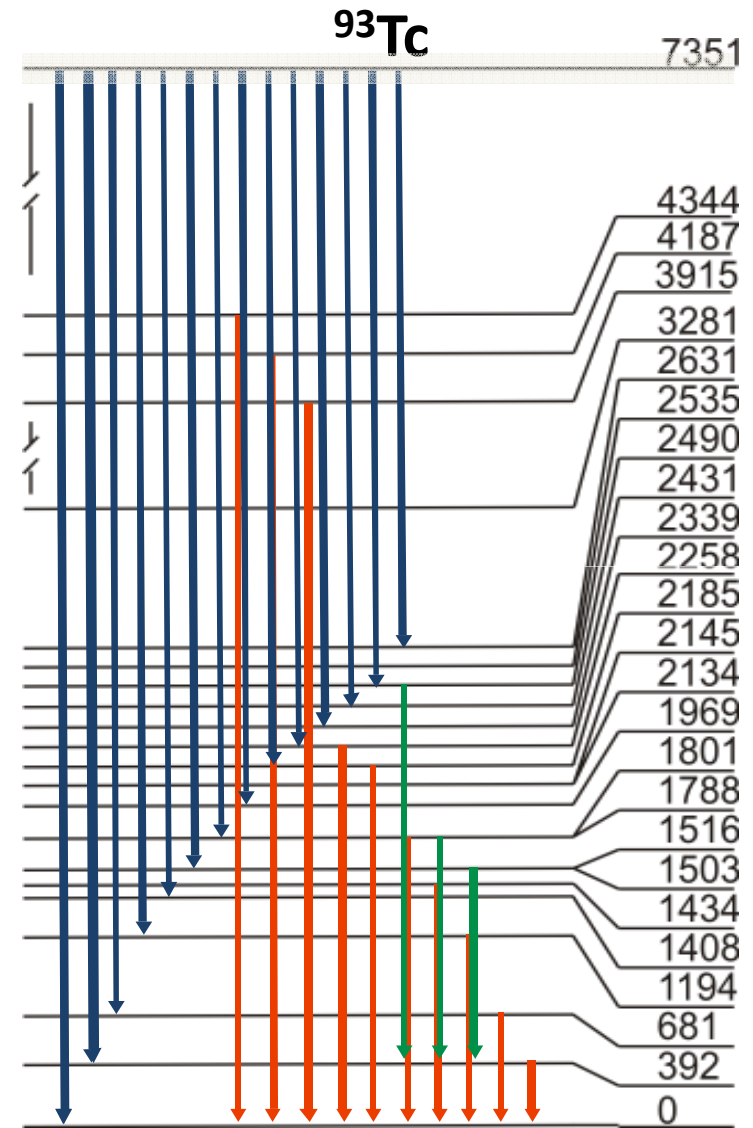
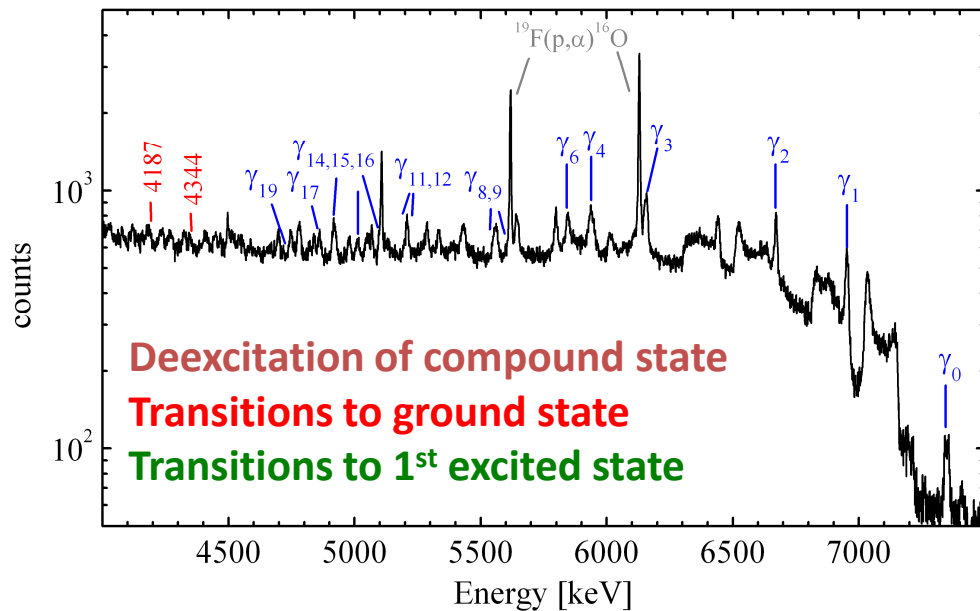
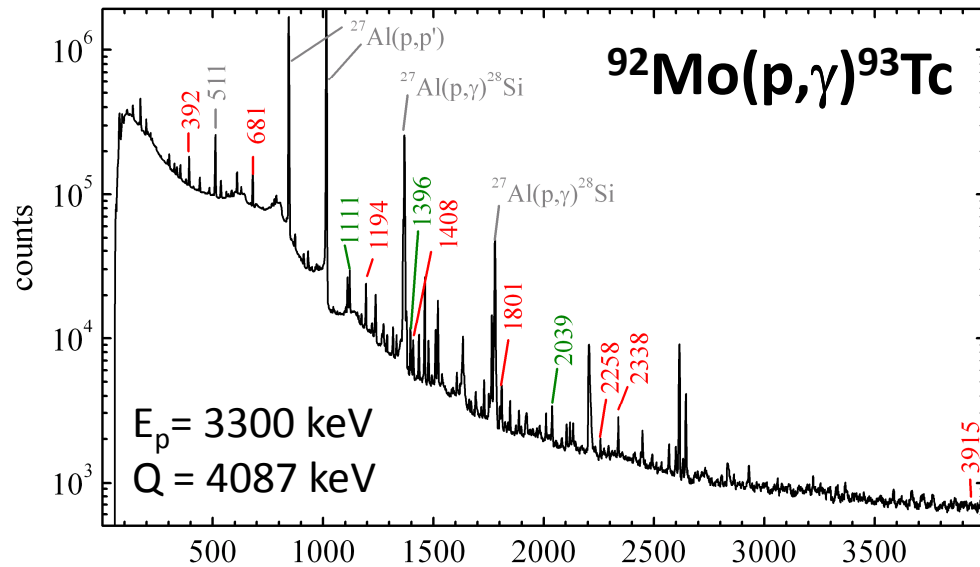


- **14 HPGe γ detectors** in close geometry, partly segmented
- Photopeak efficiency at 1332 keV: up to 5%
- Ancillary: Si particle detector array with 8 ΔE -E detectors

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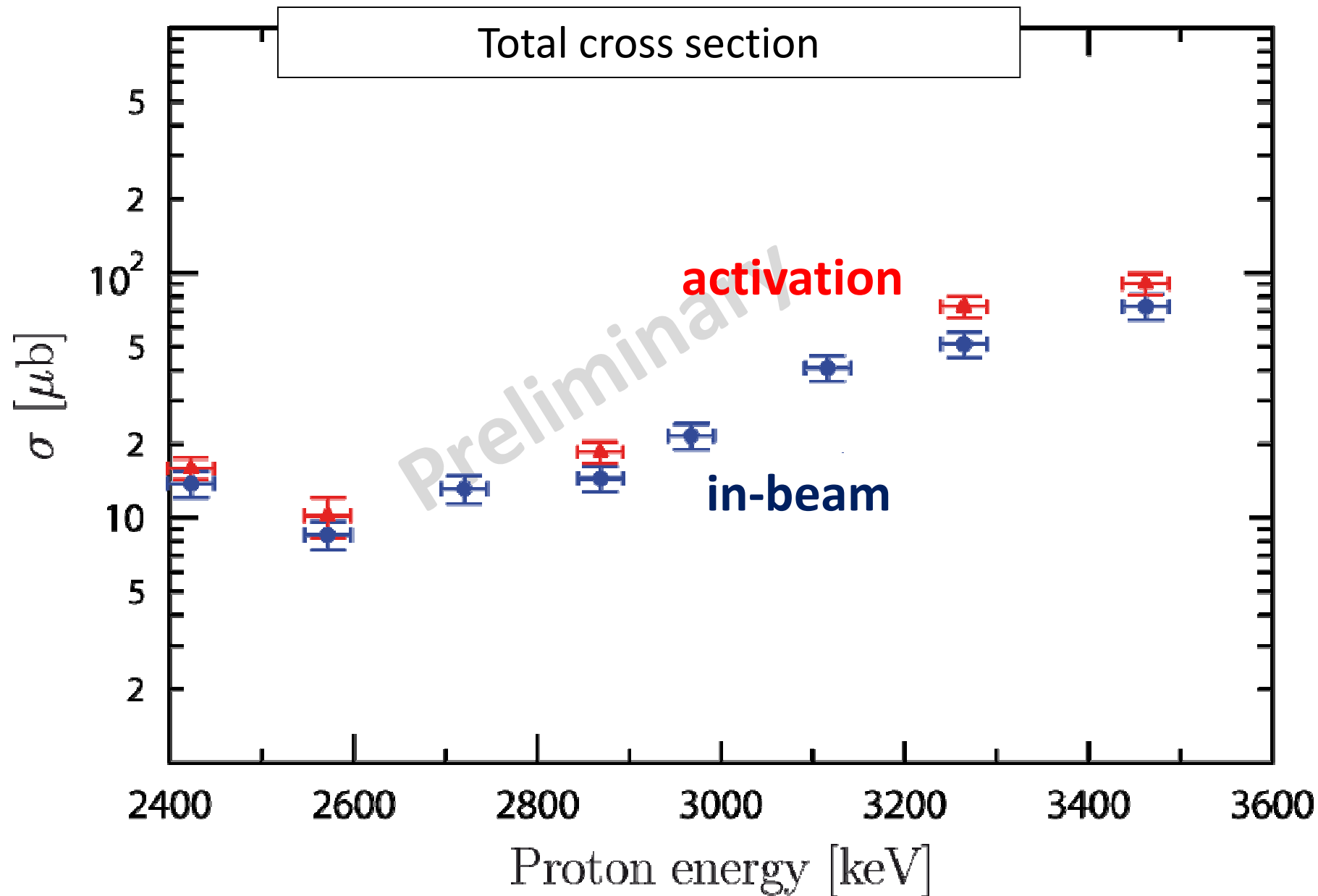
- High energy resolution to observe single transitions of decay cascade
- Adequate efficiency to study low cross sections
- Determination of angular distributions possible
- Coincidence technique to identify cascades and to suppress background
- Completely digital data acquisition

Radiative proton capture on ^{92}Mo



Production of 1st excited state

Total cross section for proton capture on ^{92}Mo



Gamma-ray strength functions used in TALYS code

Brink-Axel standard Lorentzian

Generalized Lorentzian Kopecky-Uhl for E1 radiation

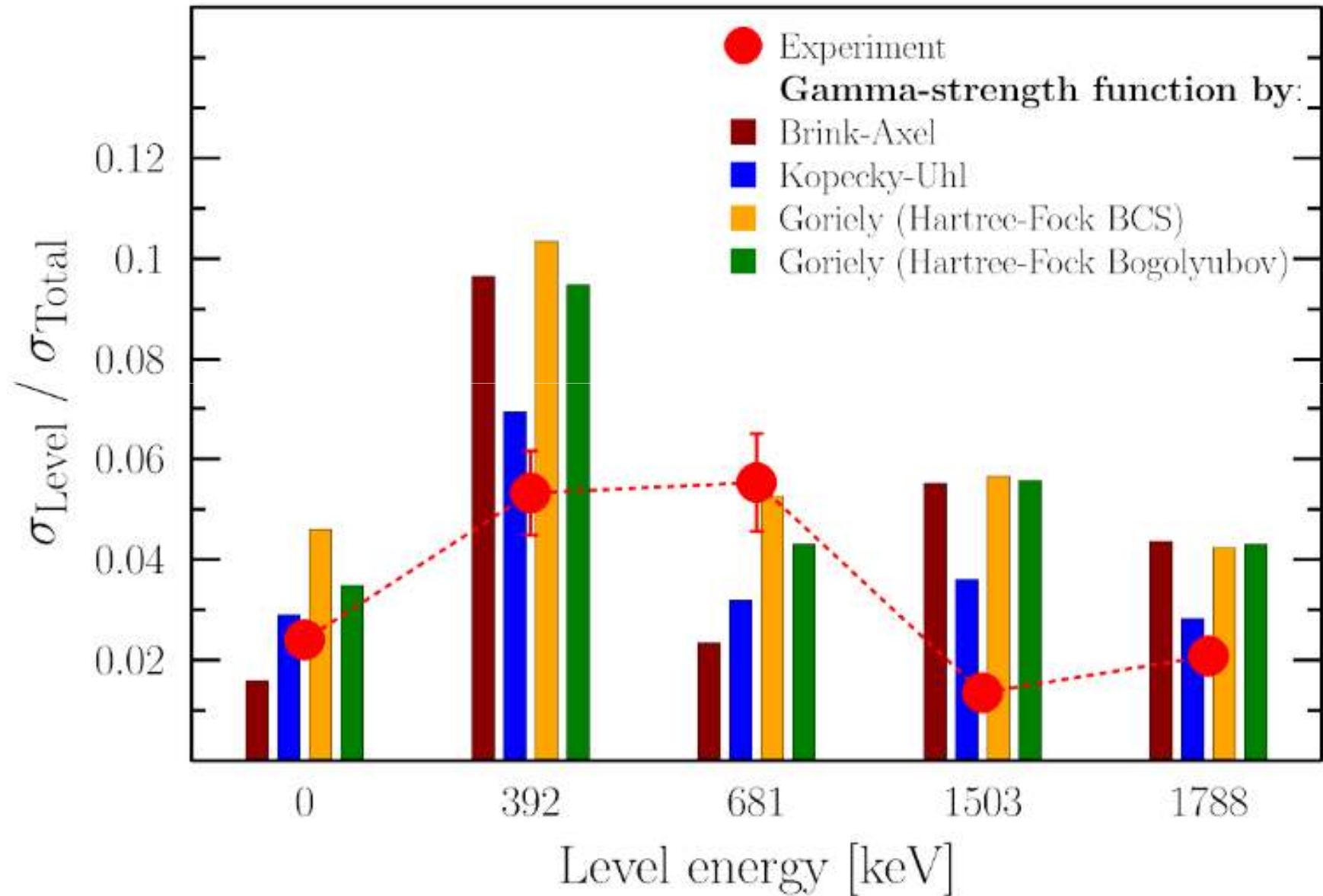
Microscopic Hartree-Fock BCS tables for E1 radiation

Microscopic Hartree-Fock-Bogolyubov tables for E1 radiation

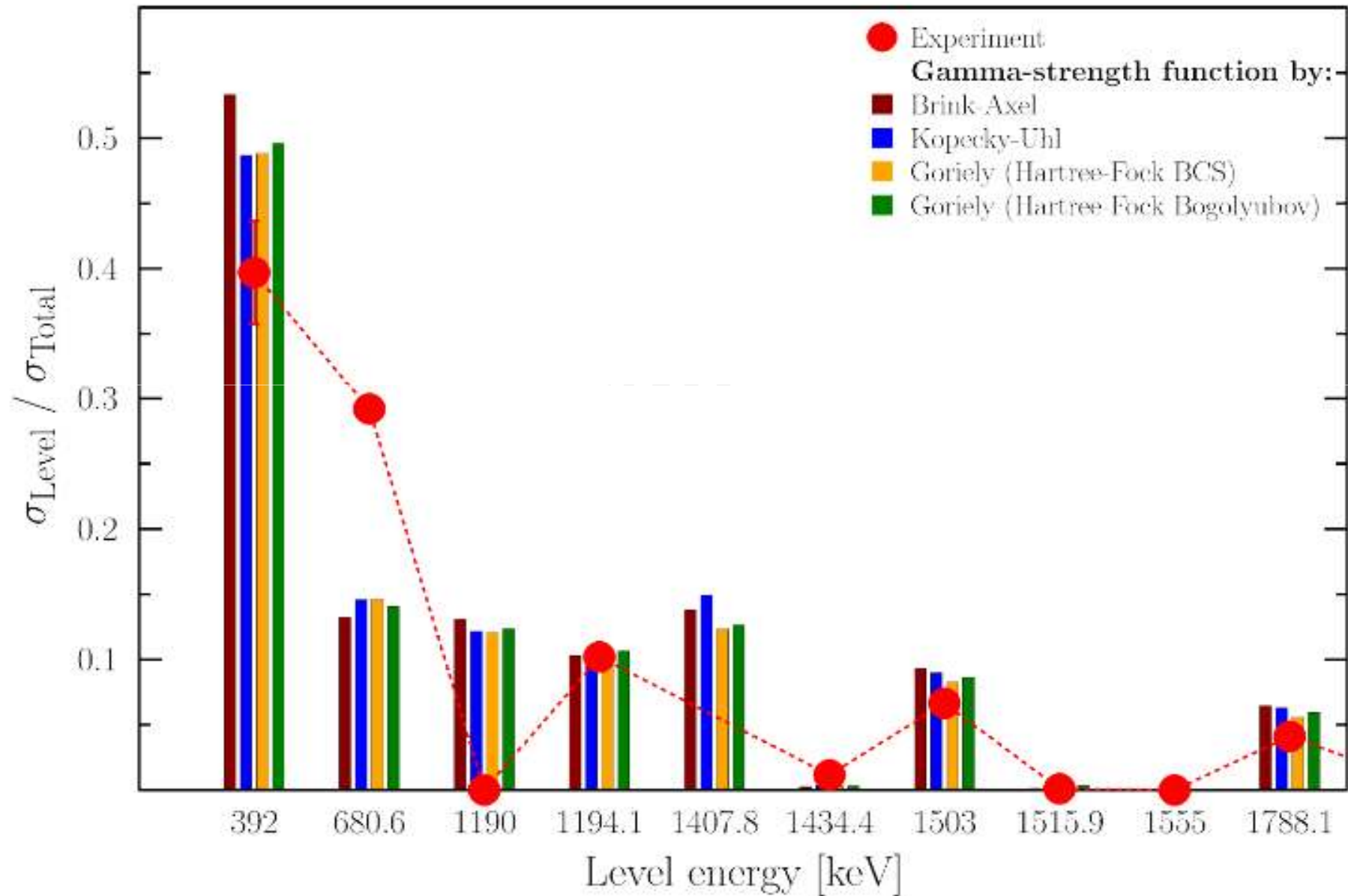
TALYS 1.2:

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Partial cross sections for $^{92}\text{Mo}(p,\gamma)$



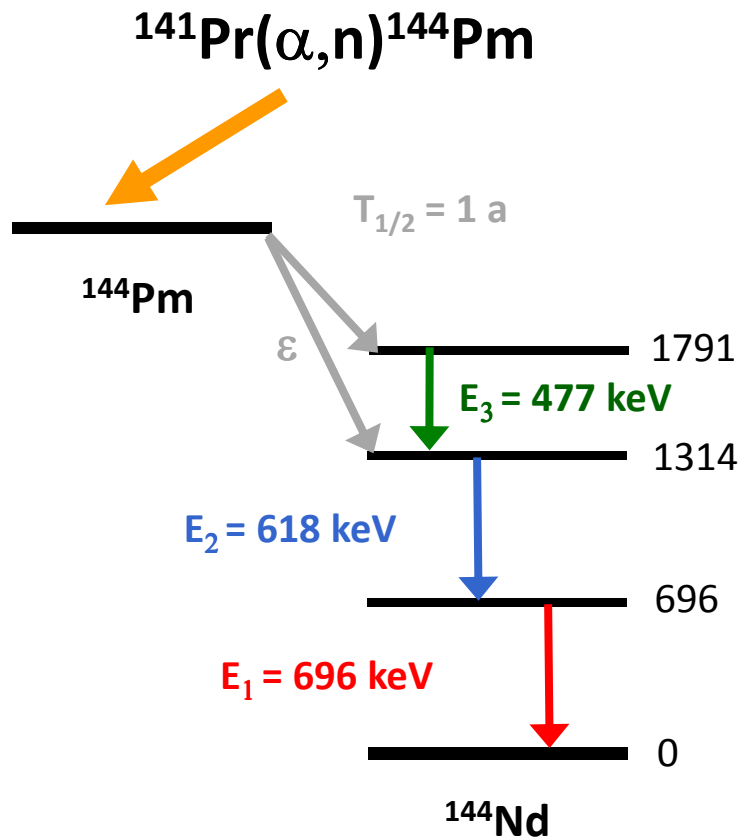
Feeding of levels in $^{92}\text{Mo}(p,\gamma)$



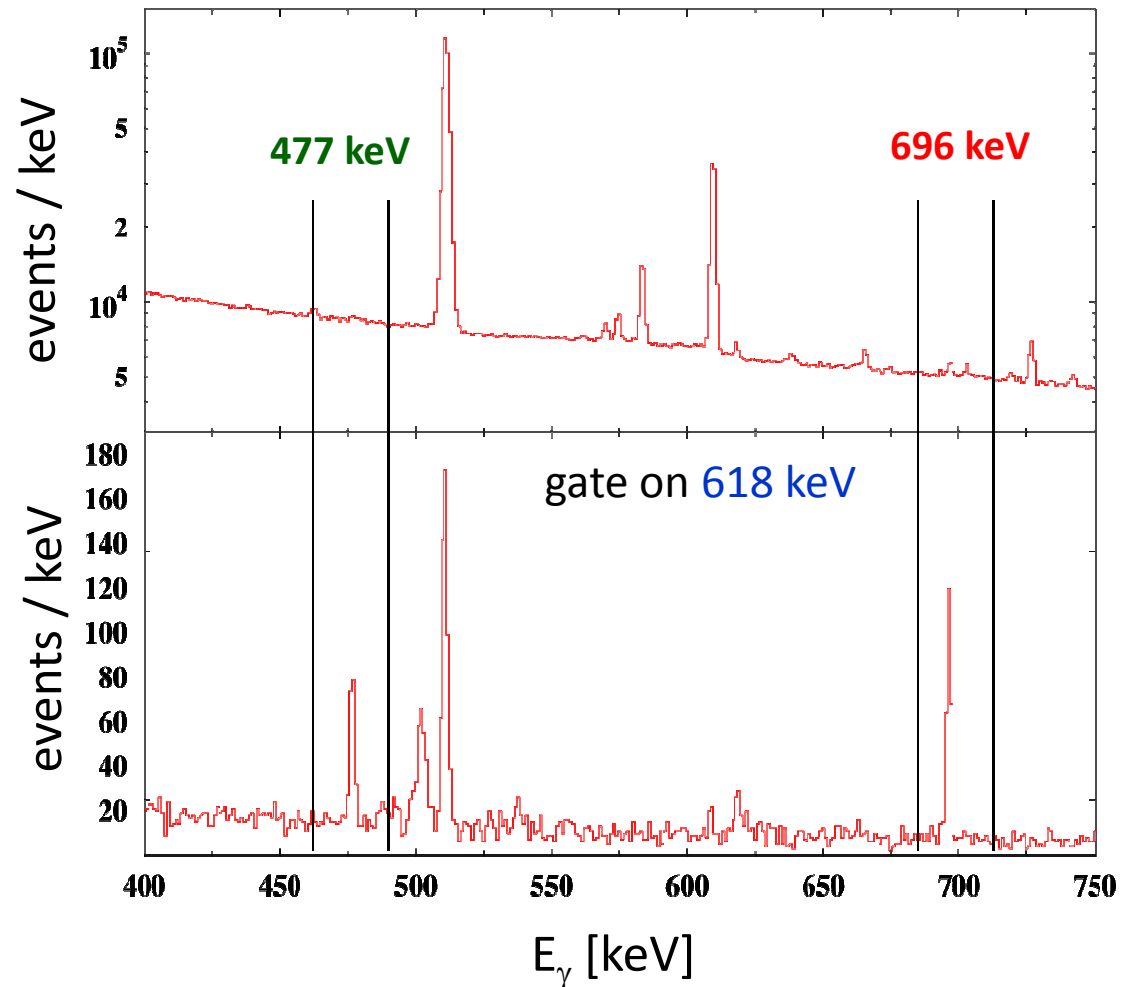
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- A wealth of data can be extracted from radiative capture experiments using HPGe arrays
- Partial cross sections and level feedings can be compared to values derived from different γ strength functions
- Cologne FN Tandem and HORUS resume operation in September 2011 after 6 M€ renovation of accelerator area

Coincidence between two Clover segments

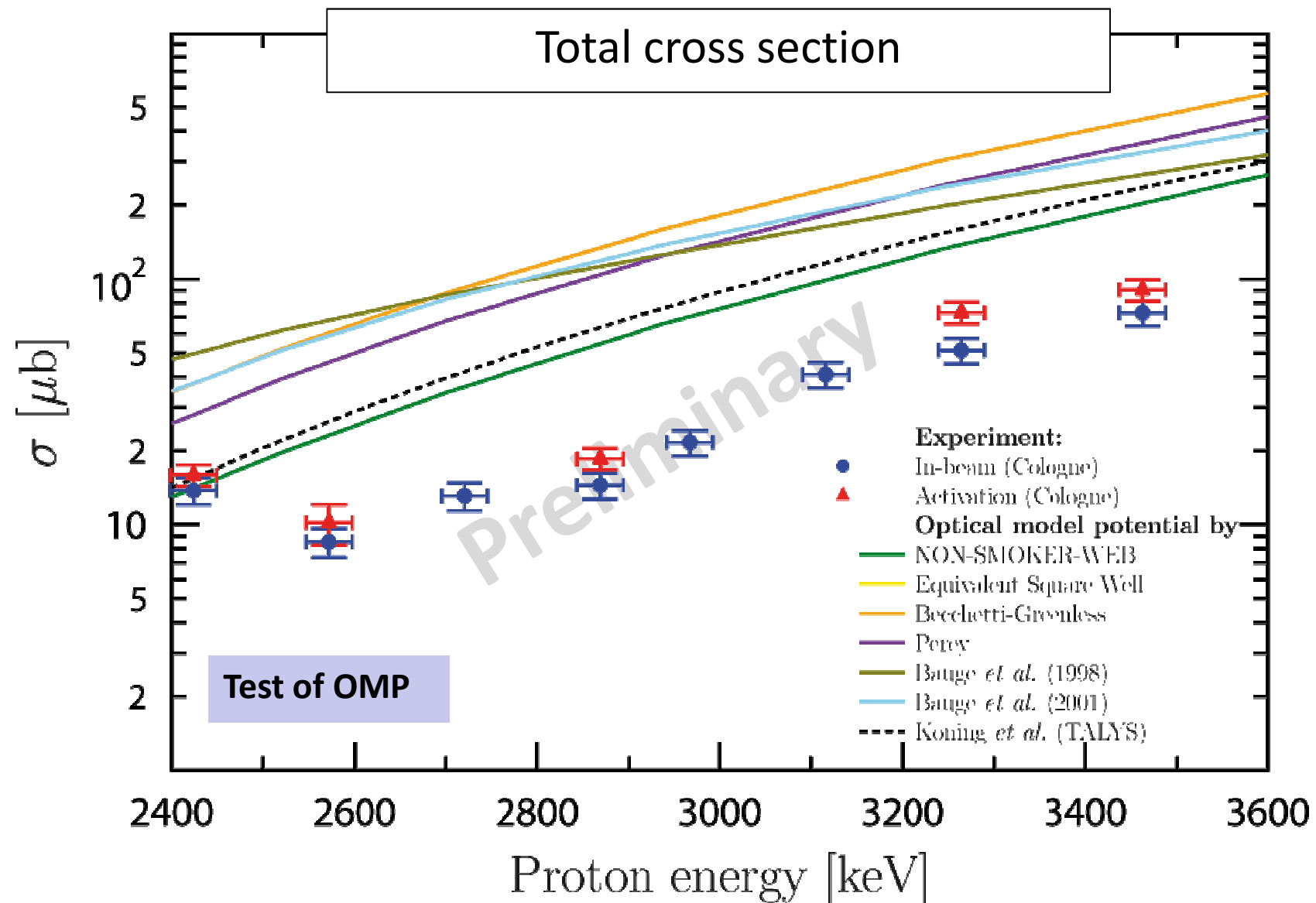


$$E_{\alpha} = 11.0 \text{ MeV}$$



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$$f_{X\ell}(E_\gamma) = K_{X\ell} \frac{\sigma_{X\ell} E_\gamma \Gamma_{X\ell}^2}{(E_\gamma^2 - E_{X\ell}^2)^2 + E_\gamma^2 \Gamma_{X\ell}^2}$$

$$K_{X\ell} = \frac{1}{(2\ell + 1)\pi^2 \hbar^2 c^2}$$

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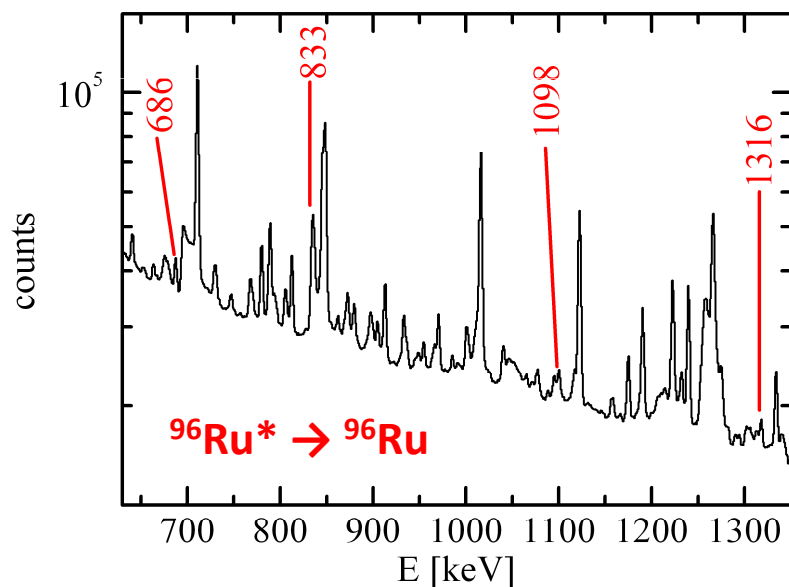
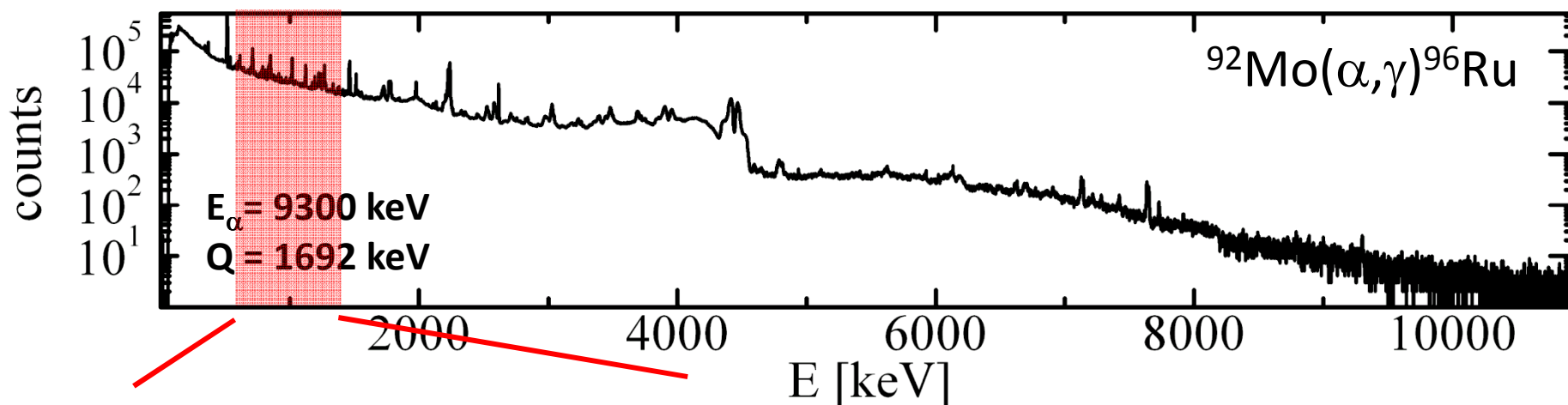
Generalized Lorentzian Kopecky-Uhl for E1 radiation

$$f_{E1}(E_\gamma, T) = K_{E1} \left[\frac{E_\gamma \tilde{\Gamma}_{E1}(E_\gamma)}{(E_\gamma^2 - E_{E1}^2)^2 + E_\gamma^2 \tilde{\Gamma}_{E1}(E_\gamma)^2} + \frac{0.7 \Gamma_{E1} 4\pi^2 T^2}{E_{E1}^3} \right] \sigma_{E1} \Gamma_{E1}$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{E1}(E_\gamma) = \Gamma_{E1} \frac{E_\gamma^2 + 4\pi^2 T^2}{E_{E1}^2}$$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{E_n + S_n - \Delta - E_\gamma}{a(S_n)}}$$

Radiative α capture: $^{92}\text{Mo}(\alpha,\gamma)$



$\sigma(\text{experiment}) = 382 \pm 100 \mu\text{b}$

$\sigma(\text{TALYS}) = 422 \mu\text{b}$

Background reduction necessary for smaller cross sections!

Background reduction using γ - γ coincidence techniques

