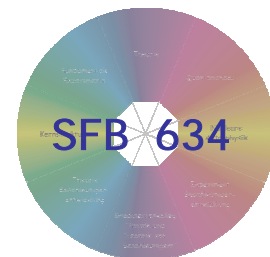


Photoresponse of atomic nuclei – Collective excitations and photodissociation

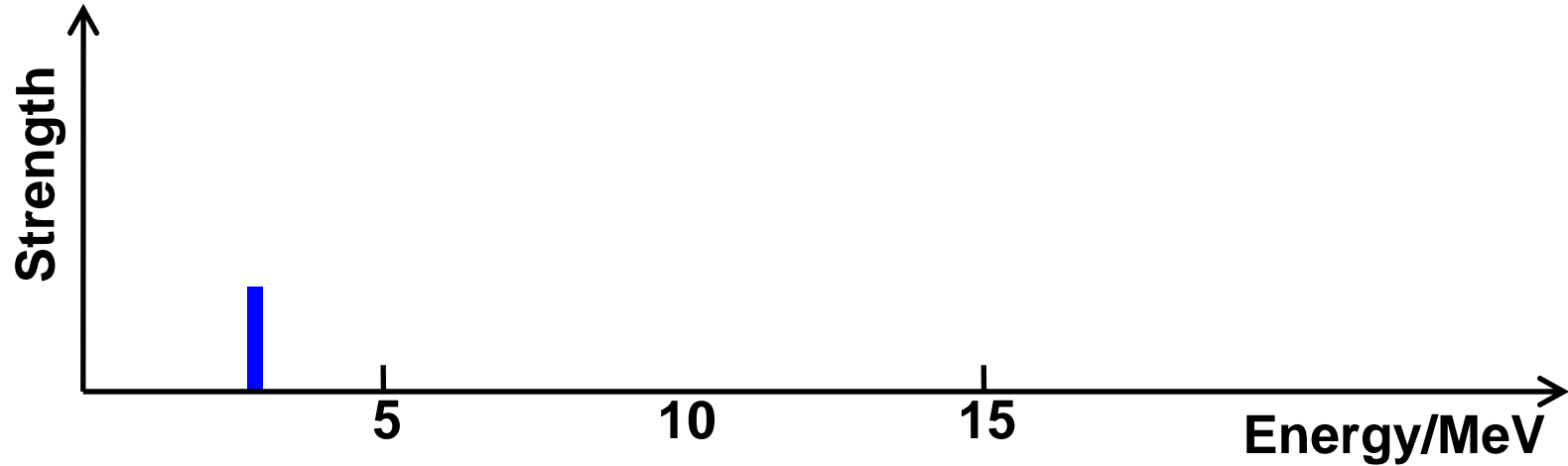
- **E1 strength in atomic nuclei**
- **Structure of the Pygmy Dipole Resonance**
- ~~**Some implications on nucleosynthesis**~~
- **Outlook**



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The photoresponse of atomic nuclei – E1 strength



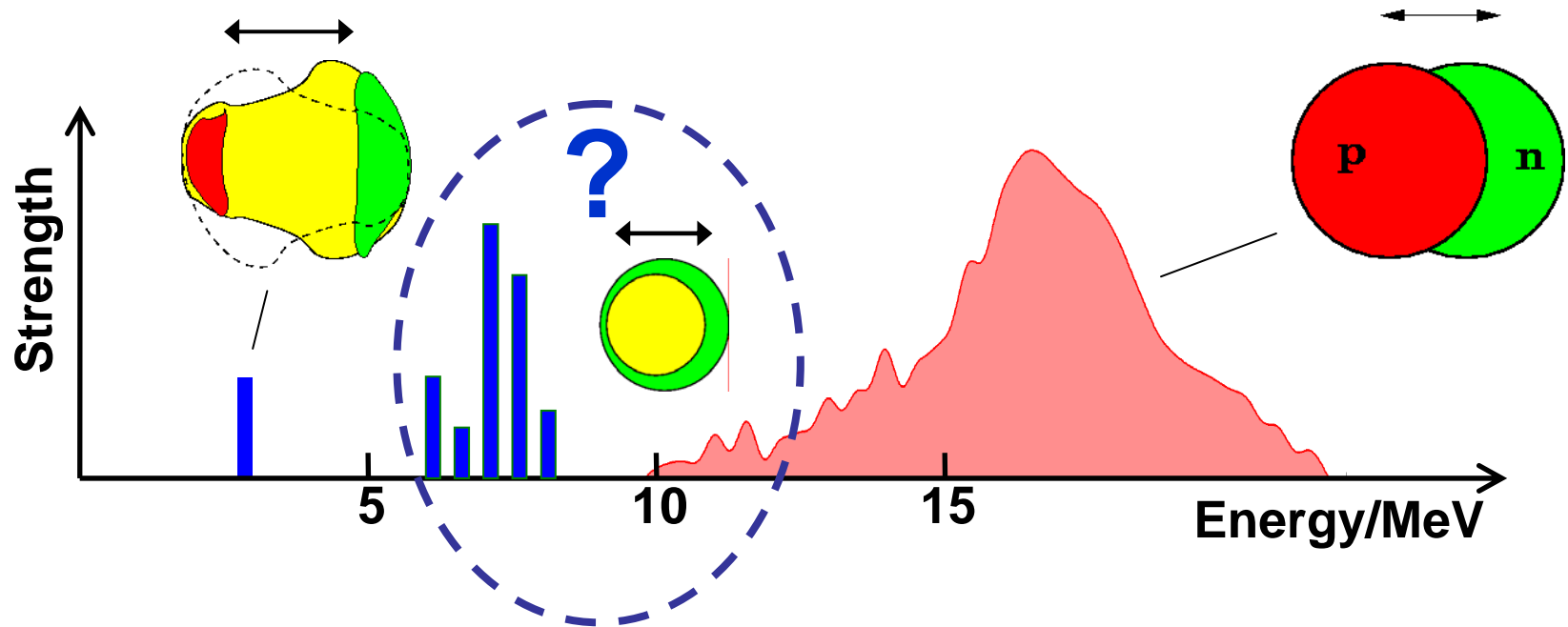
1⁻ excitation: $E_x \sim 3$ MeV, $B(E1) \sim 10^{-2}$ W.u.

2⁺⊗3⁻ two phonon excitation

„Yates quintuplet“

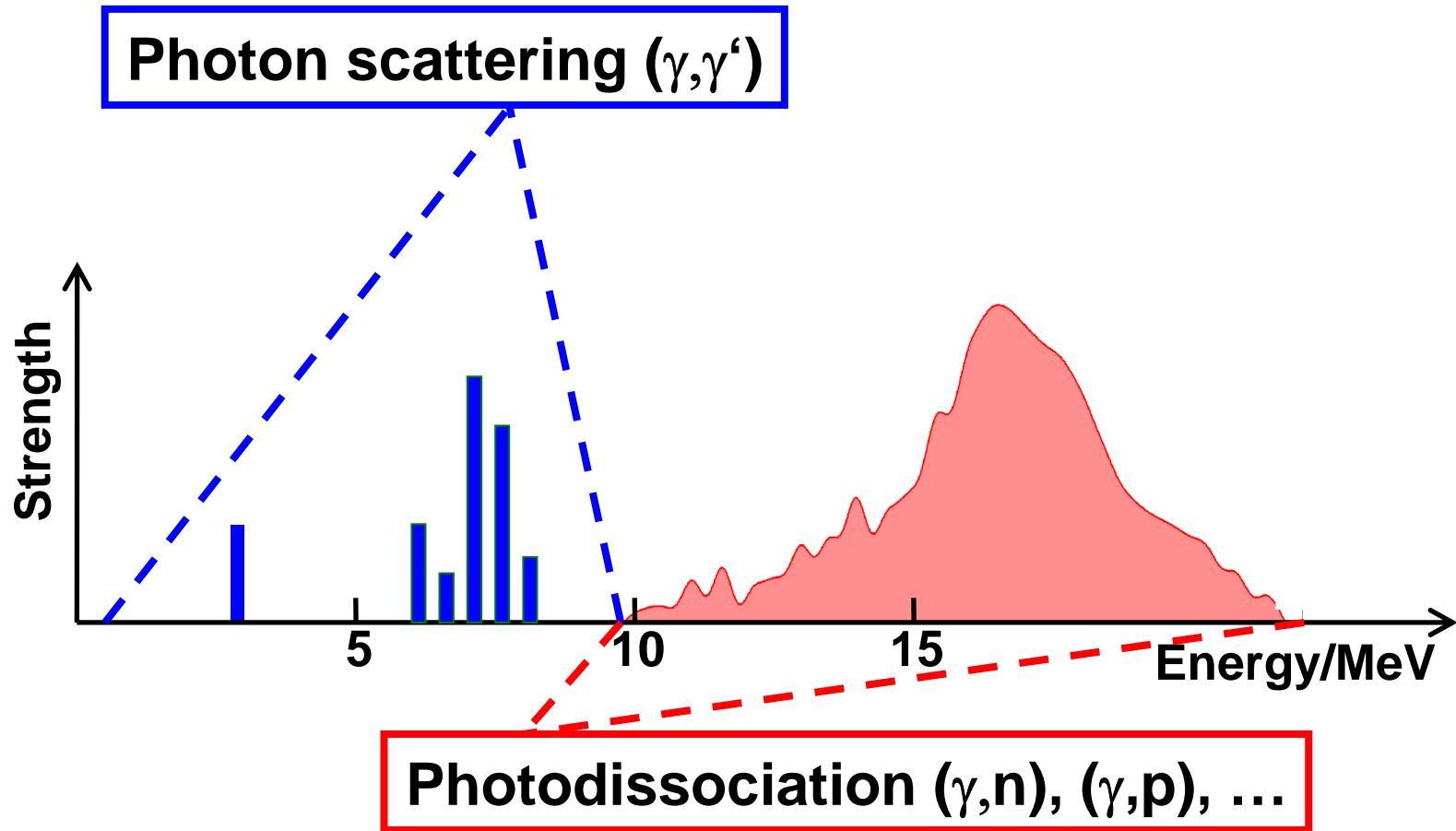
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- **Two Phonon Excitation:** $E_x \sim 3$ MeV, $B(E1) \sim 10^{-2}$ W.u.
- **Giant Dipole Resonance:** $E_x \sim 18$ MeV, $B(E1) \sim 10$ W.u.
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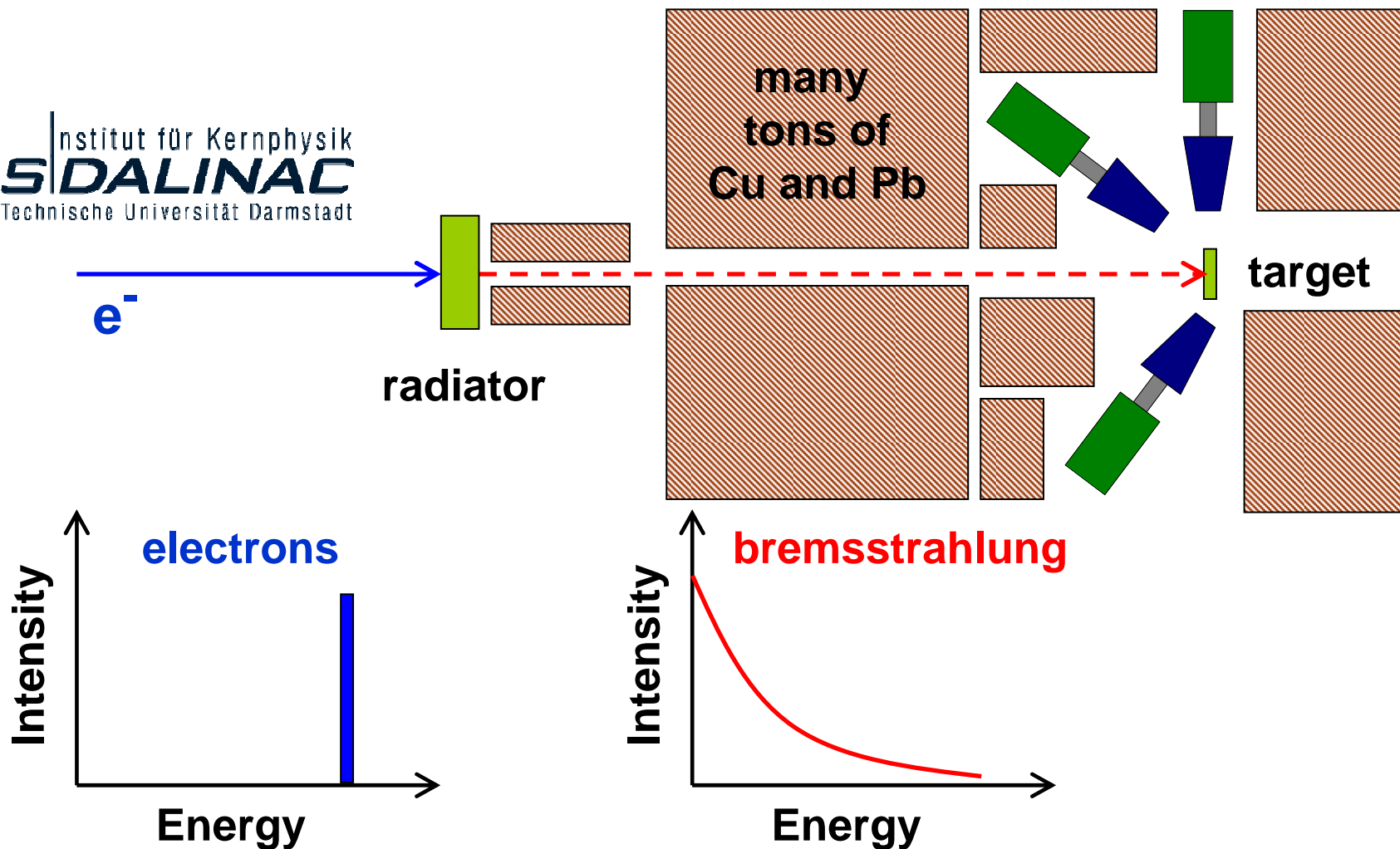
Measuring the photoresponse



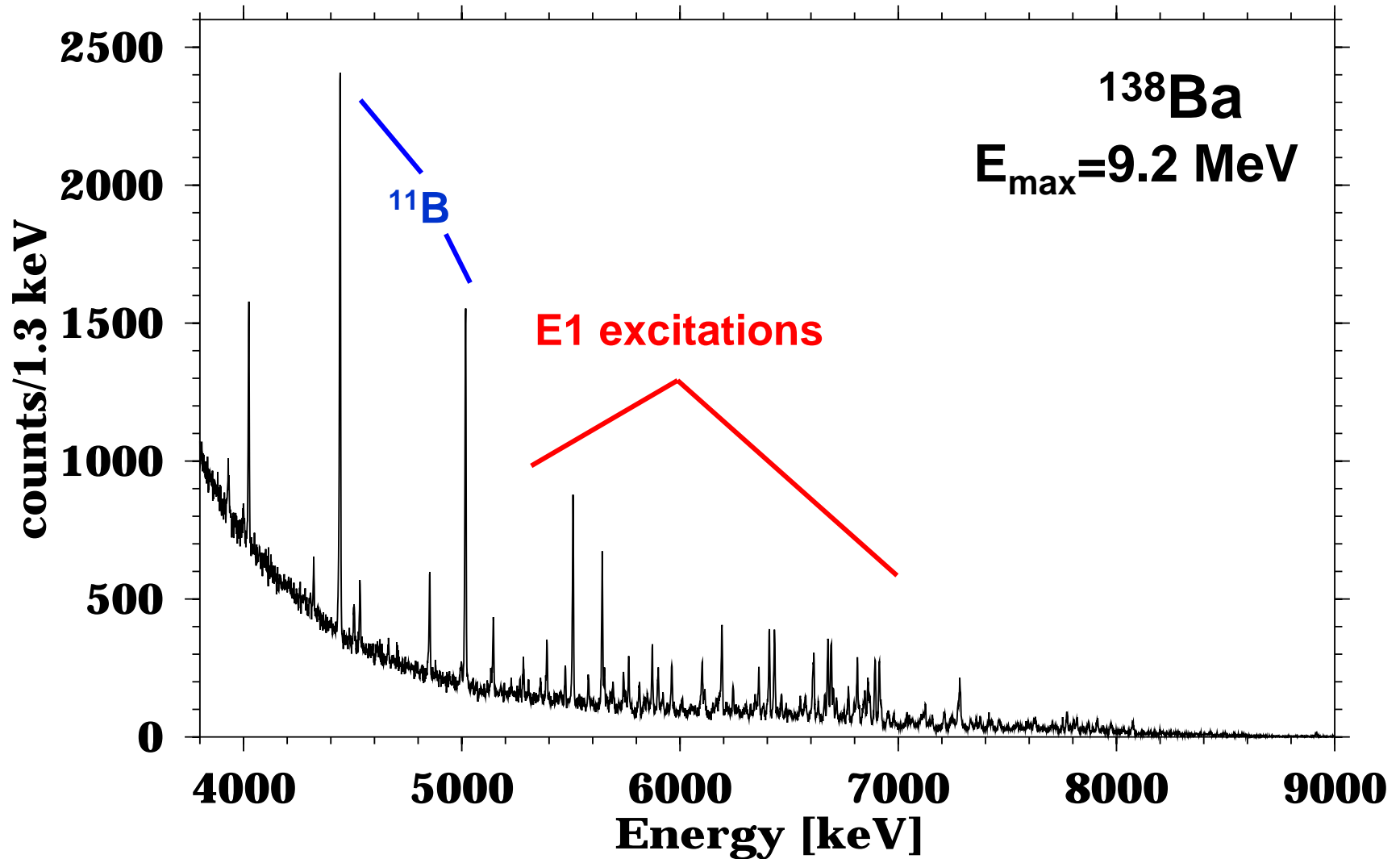
Real and virtual photons can be used for excitation!

Photoresponse below threshold of stable nuclei: Real Photon Scattering - NRF

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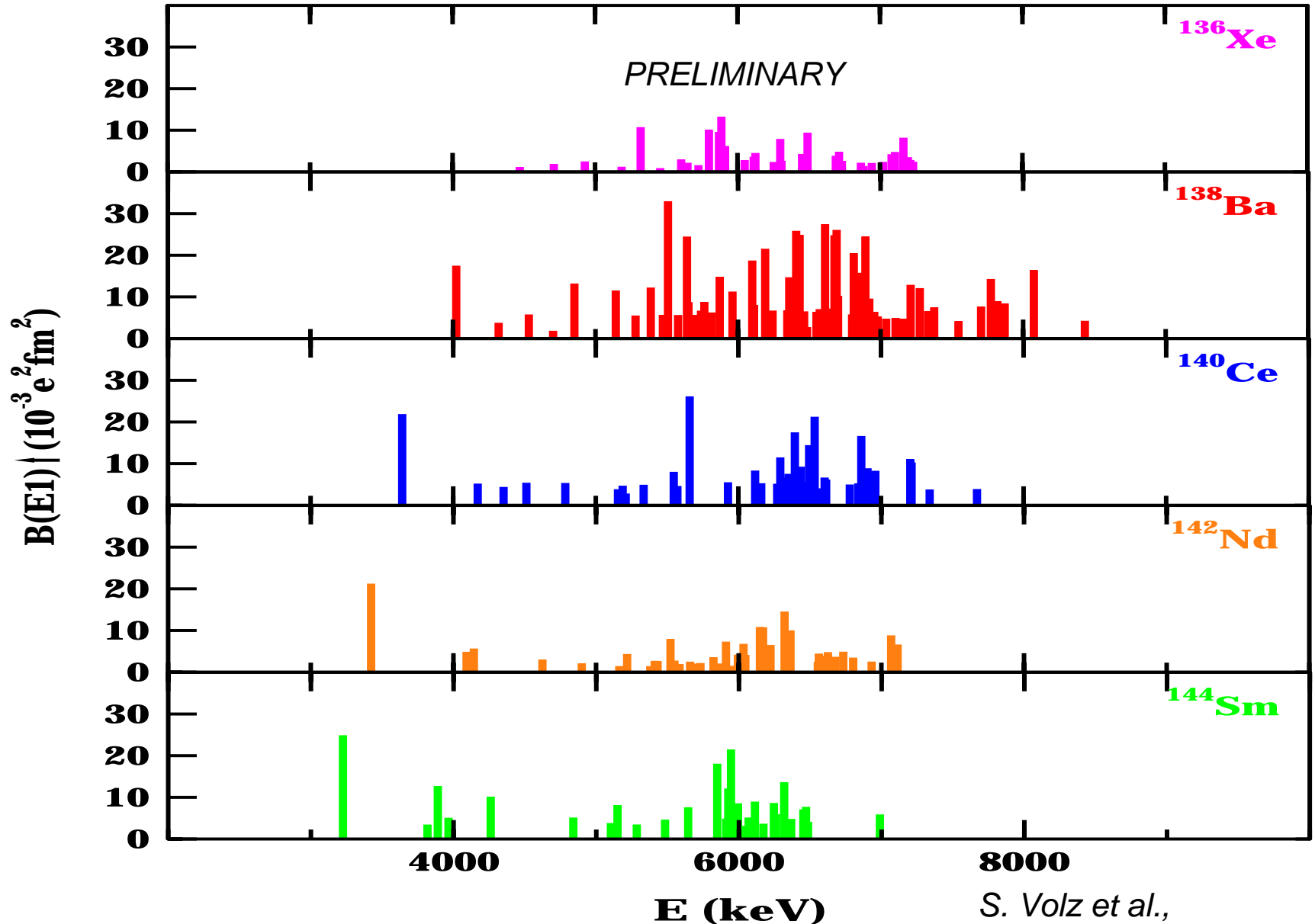


Photon scattering off ^{138}Ba



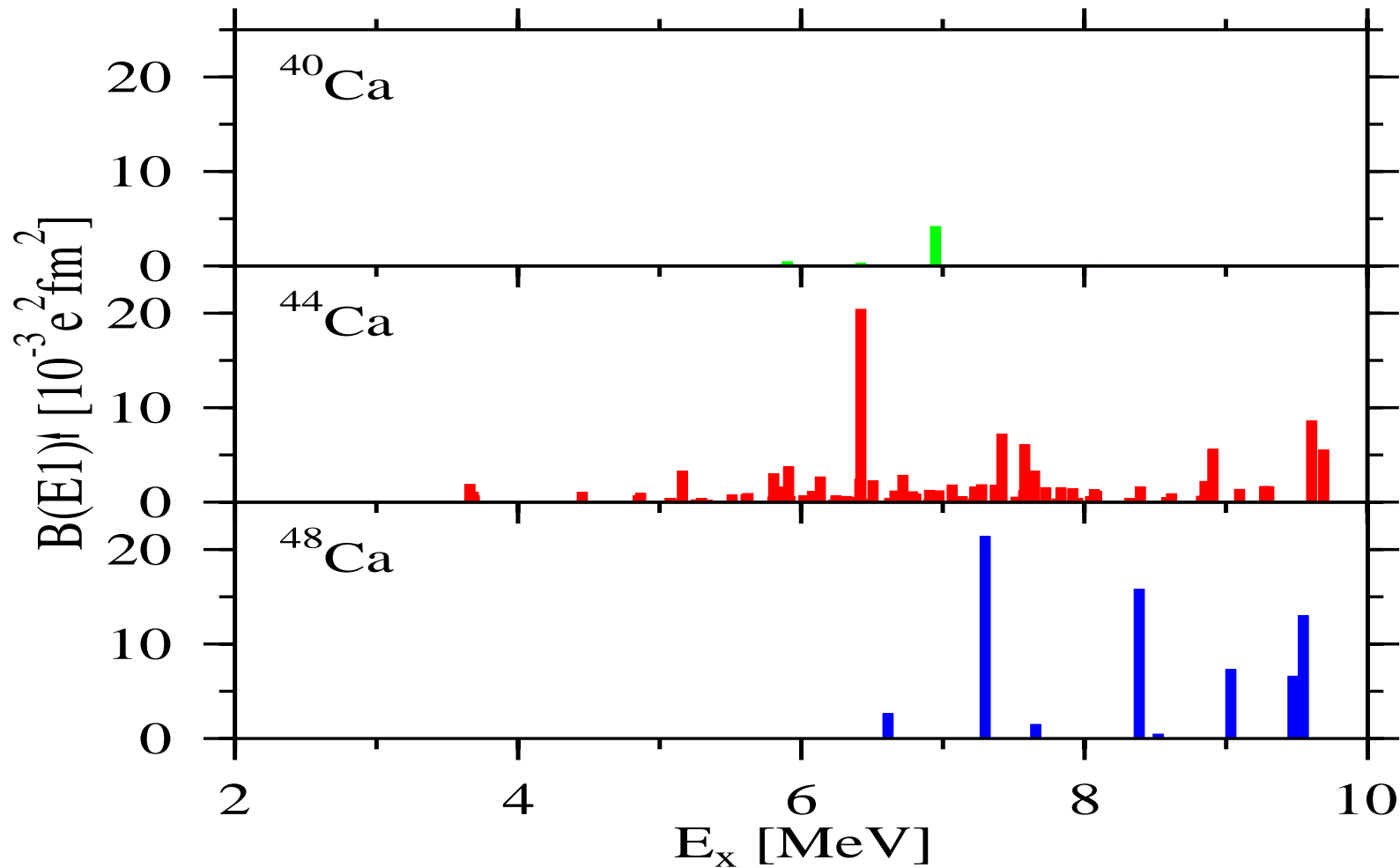
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E1 strength below threshold in N=82 nuclei



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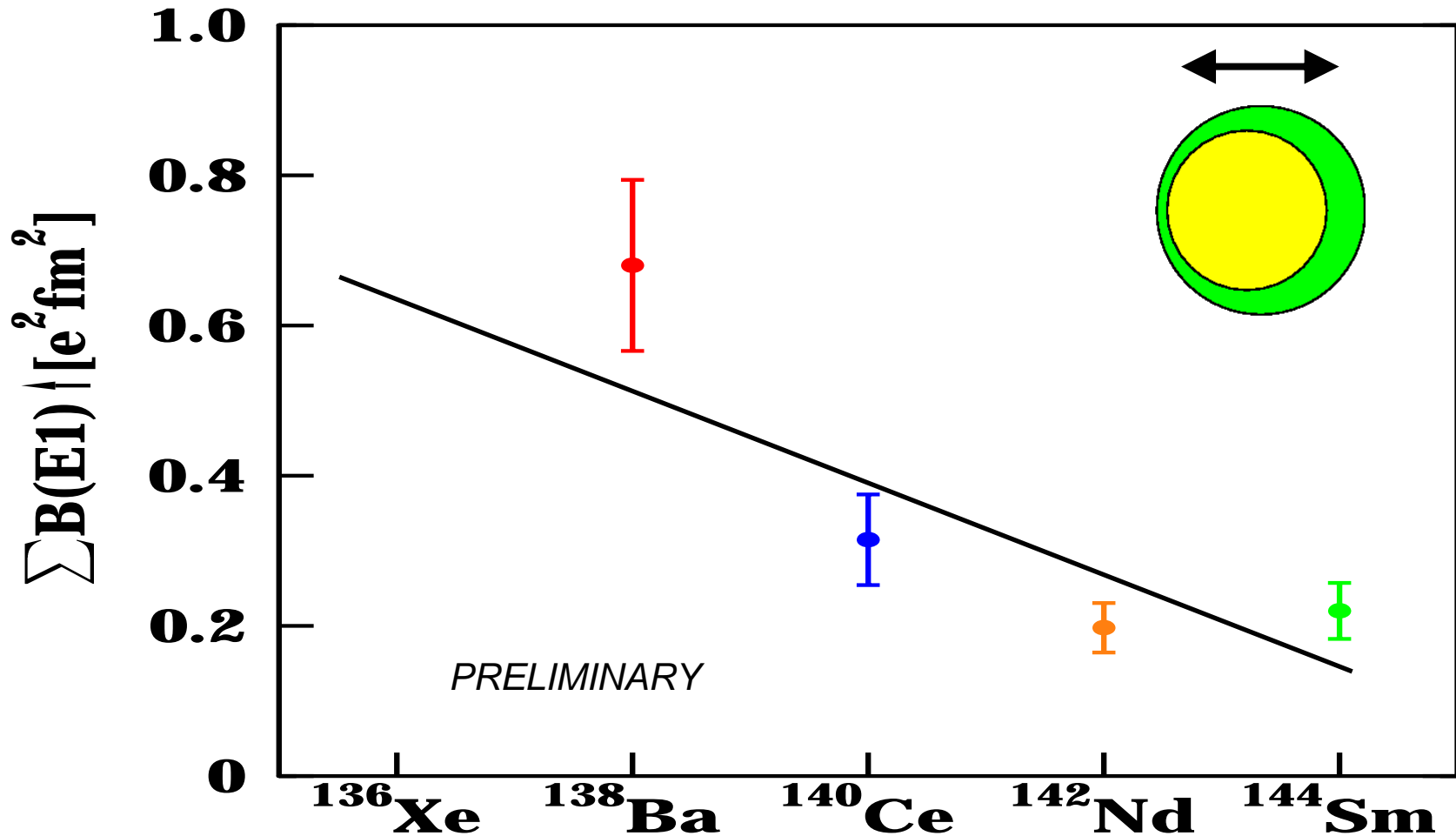
E1 strength distribution in Ca isotopes



T. Hartmann et al., PRL **93** (2004) 192501,
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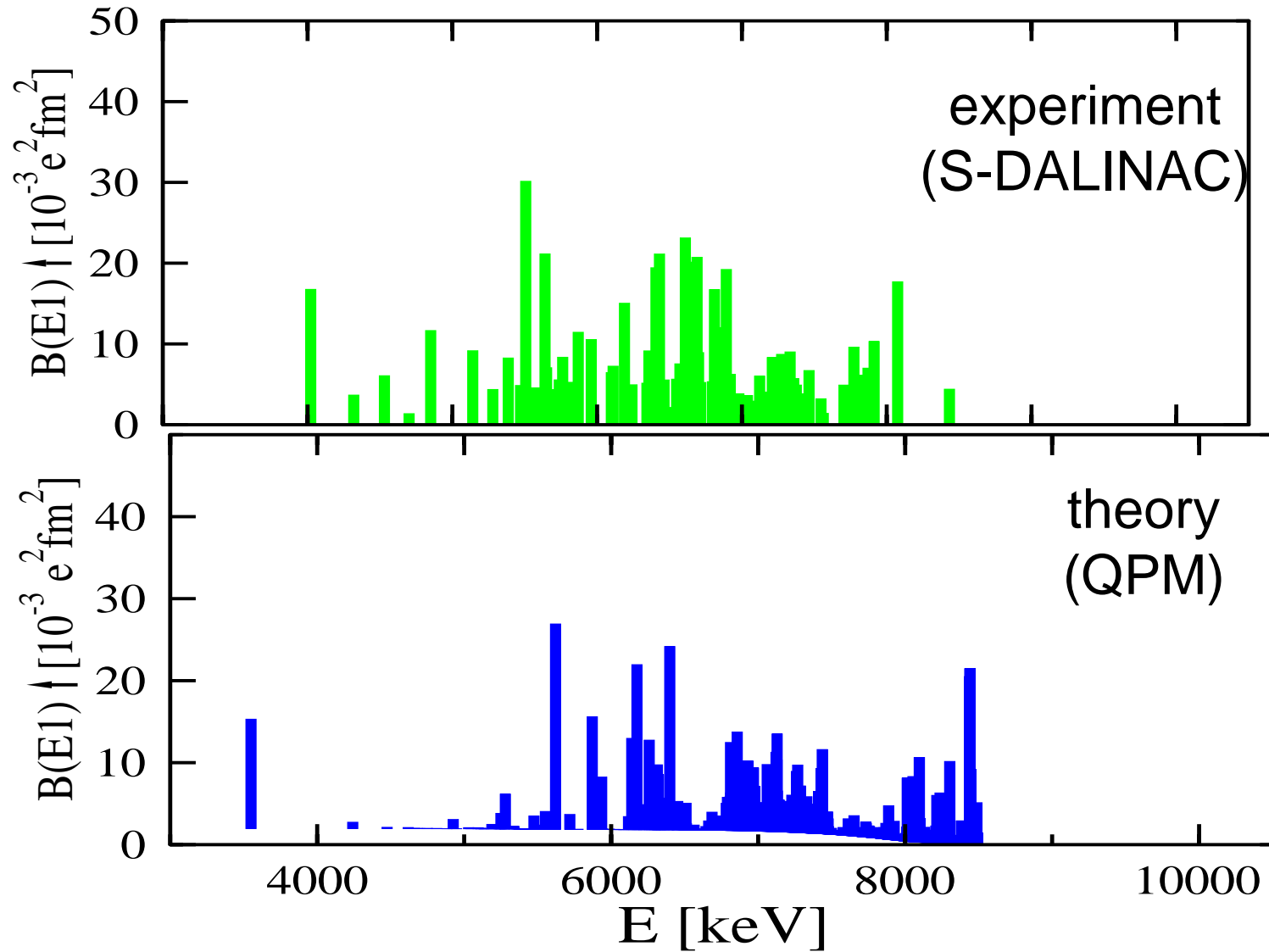
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E1 strength below 9 MeV in N=82 nuclei

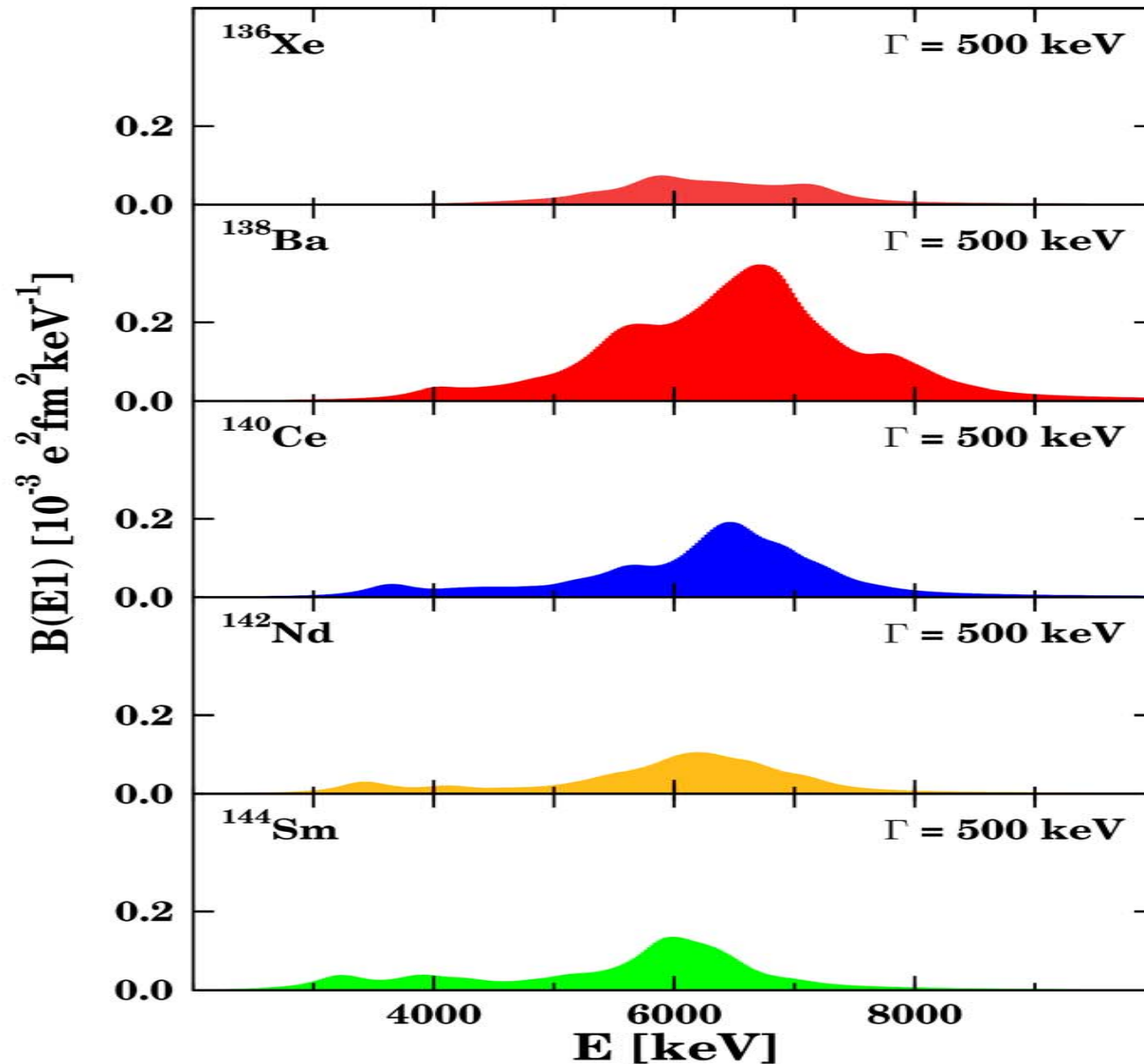


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QPM calculations for ^{138}Ba



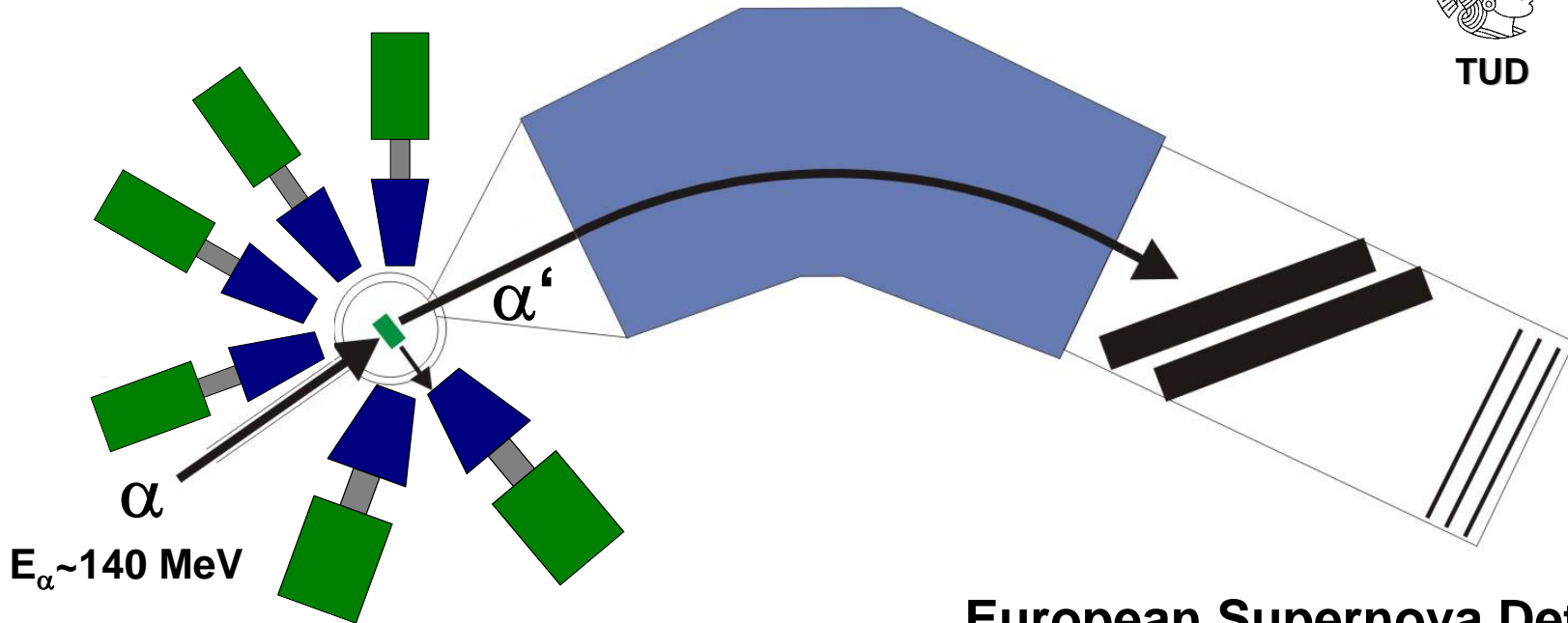
Substructure within the PDR ?



F. Iachello

Investigating the PDR with α -particles

Big Bite Spectrometer (BBS)

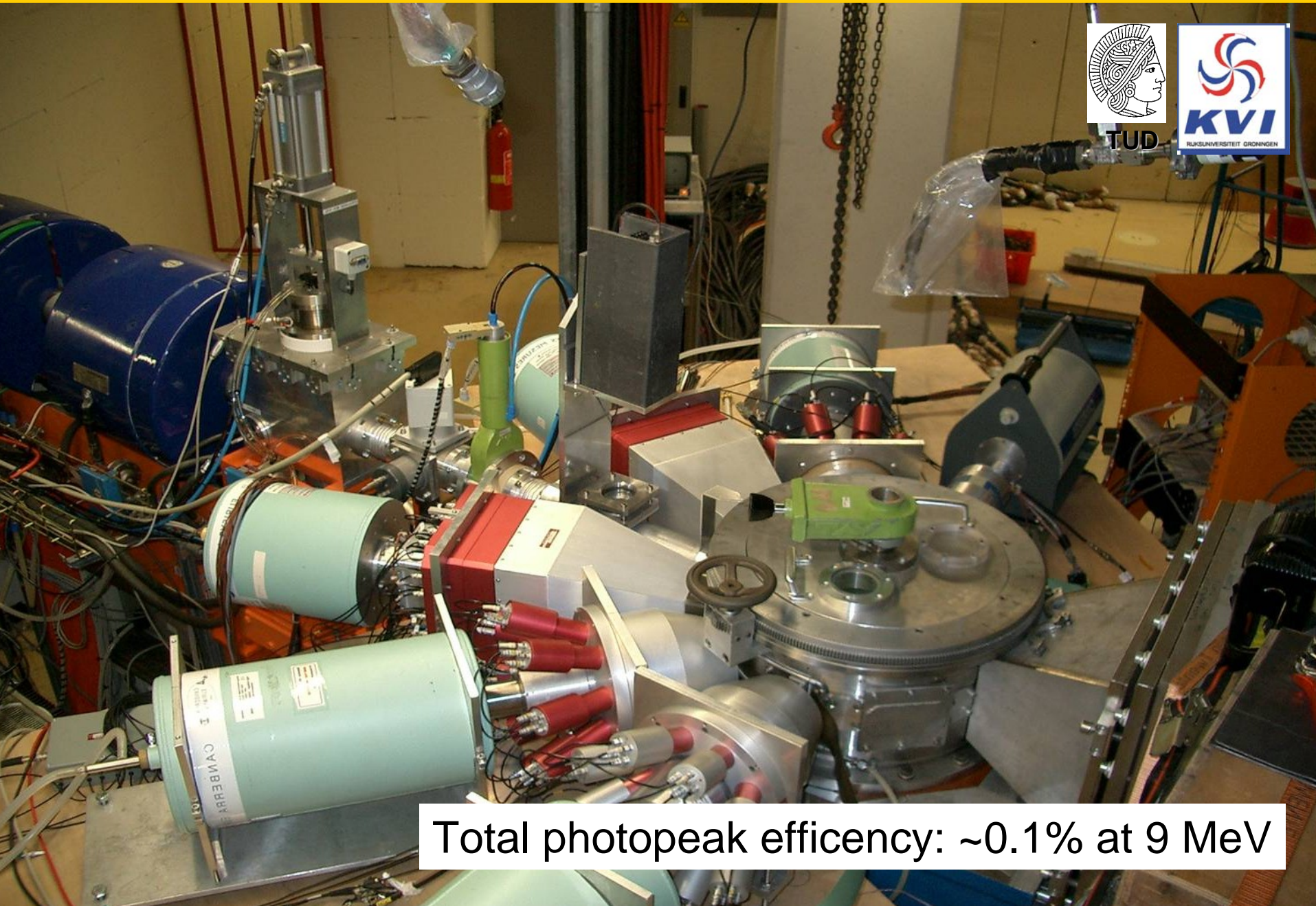


**Ge detector array
for detection of γ decays**

**European Supernova Detector
for measurement of α -particles,
 $\Delta E \sim 100-200$ keV**

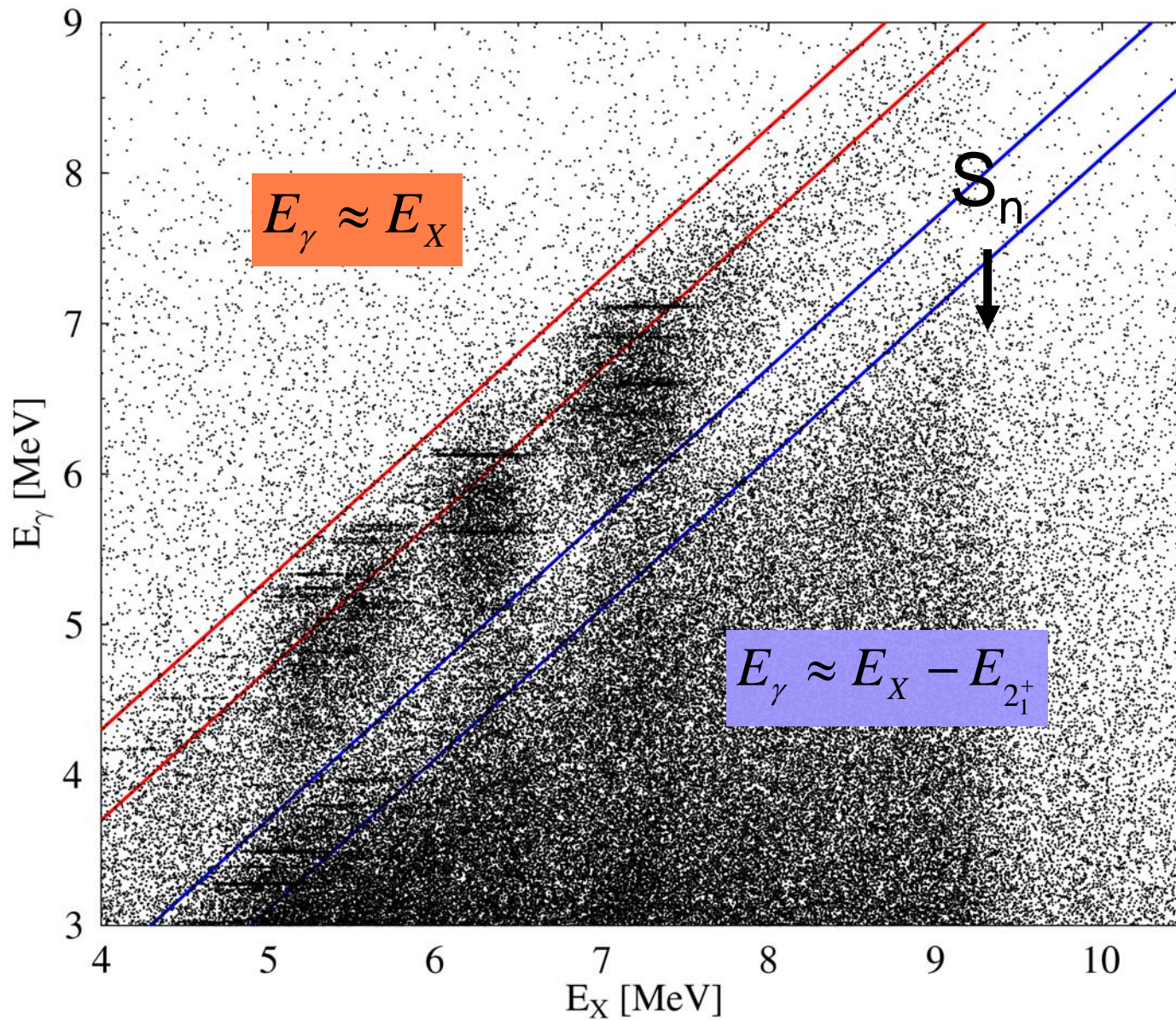
This setup combines isospin selectivity and skin sensitivity of α -particles with spin selectivity and energy resolution of γ -spectroscopy

The new ISOSPIN setup at KVI



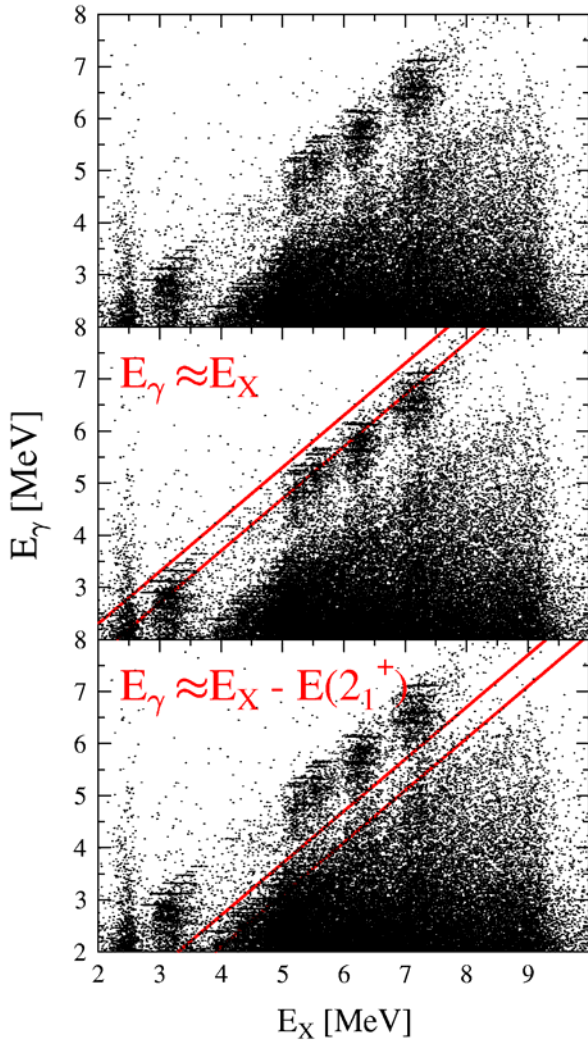
Total photopeak efficiency: $\sim 0.1\%$ at 9 MeV

2D-energy matrix: $(\alpha, \alpha' \gamma)$ on ^{140}Ce

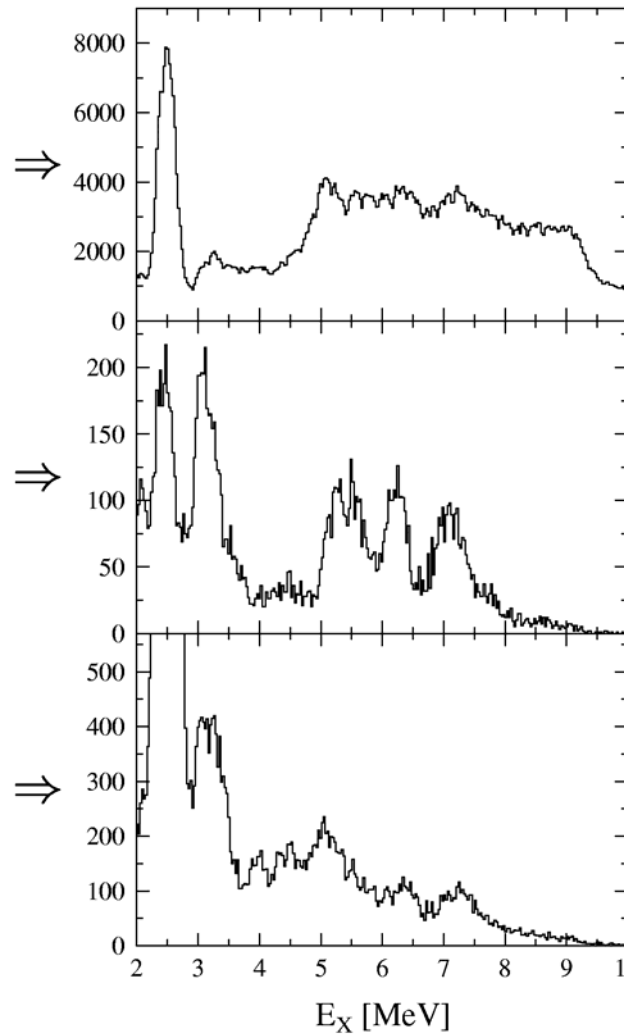


$(\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$ on ^{140}Ce - selectivity

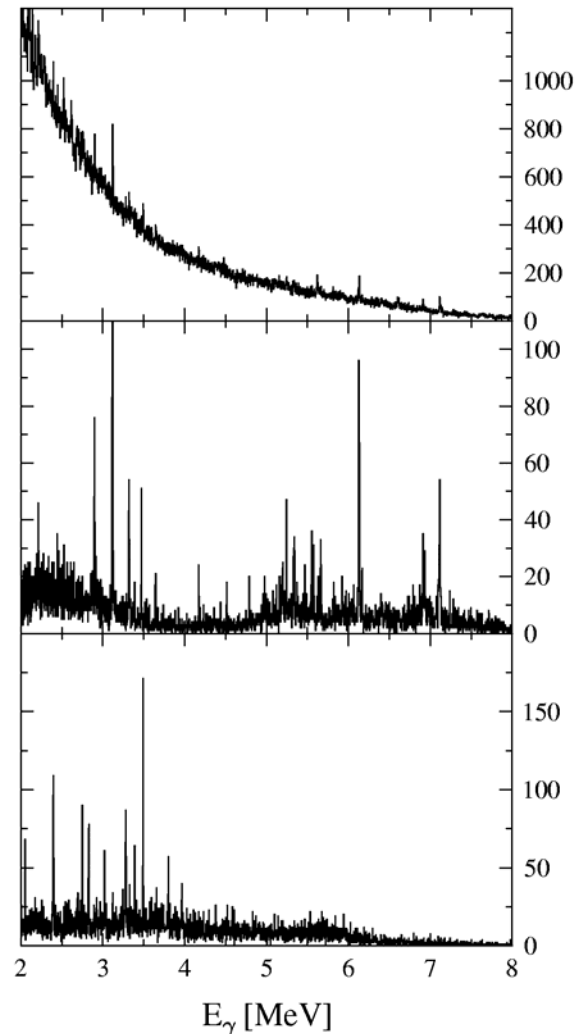
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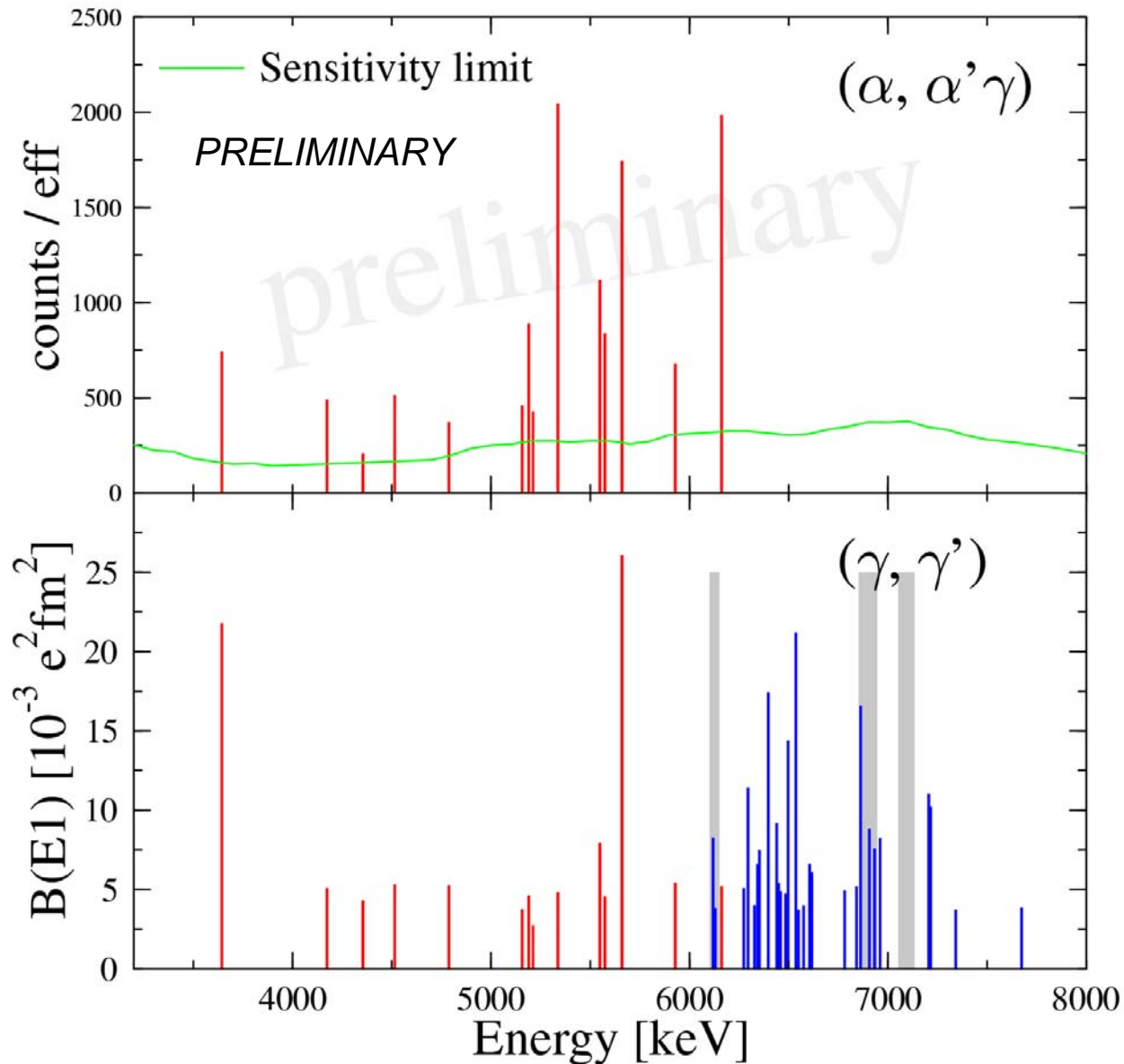
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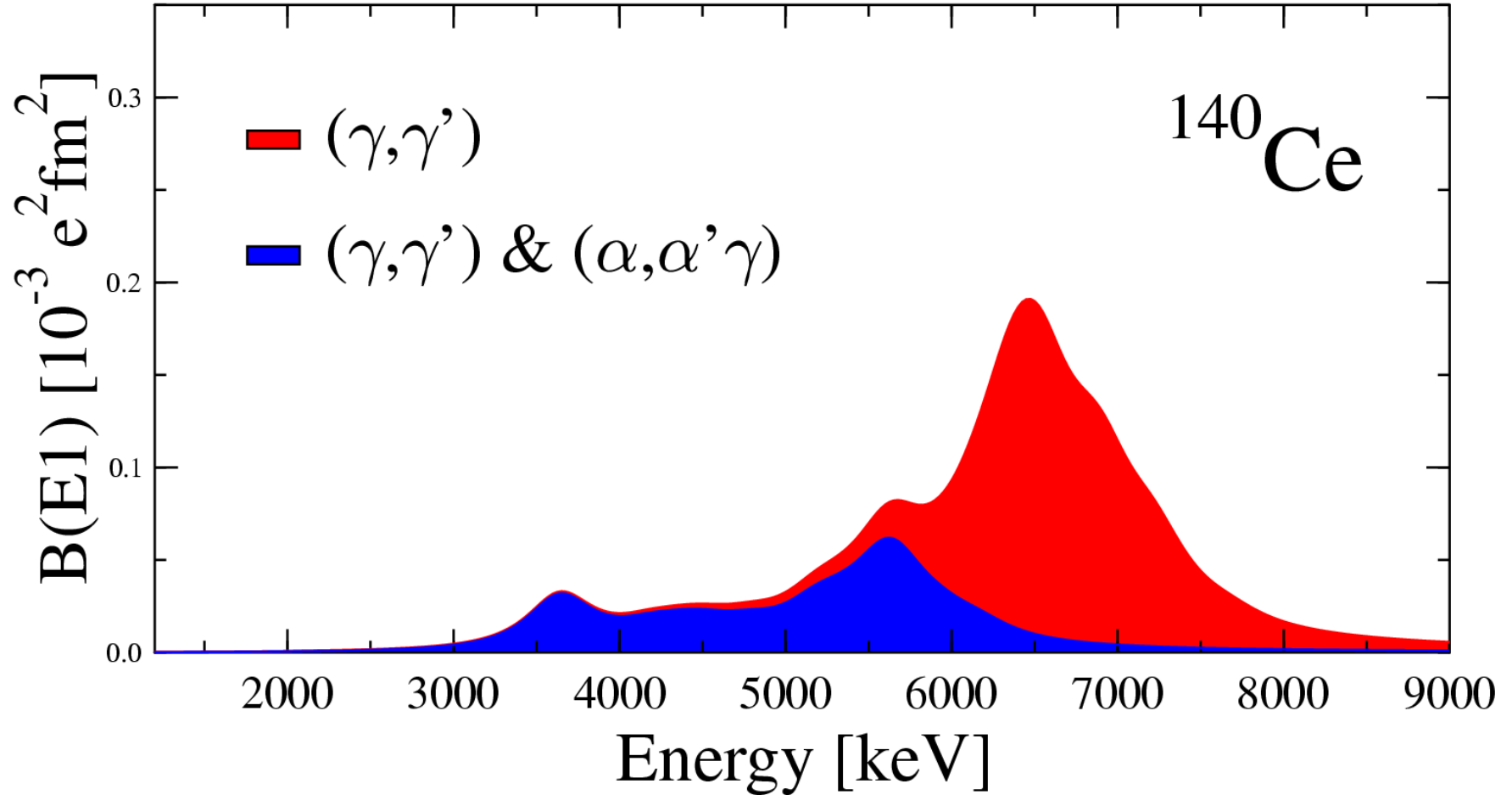


E1 strength in ^{140}Ce : $(\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$ vs. (γ, γ')



Splitting of the GDR

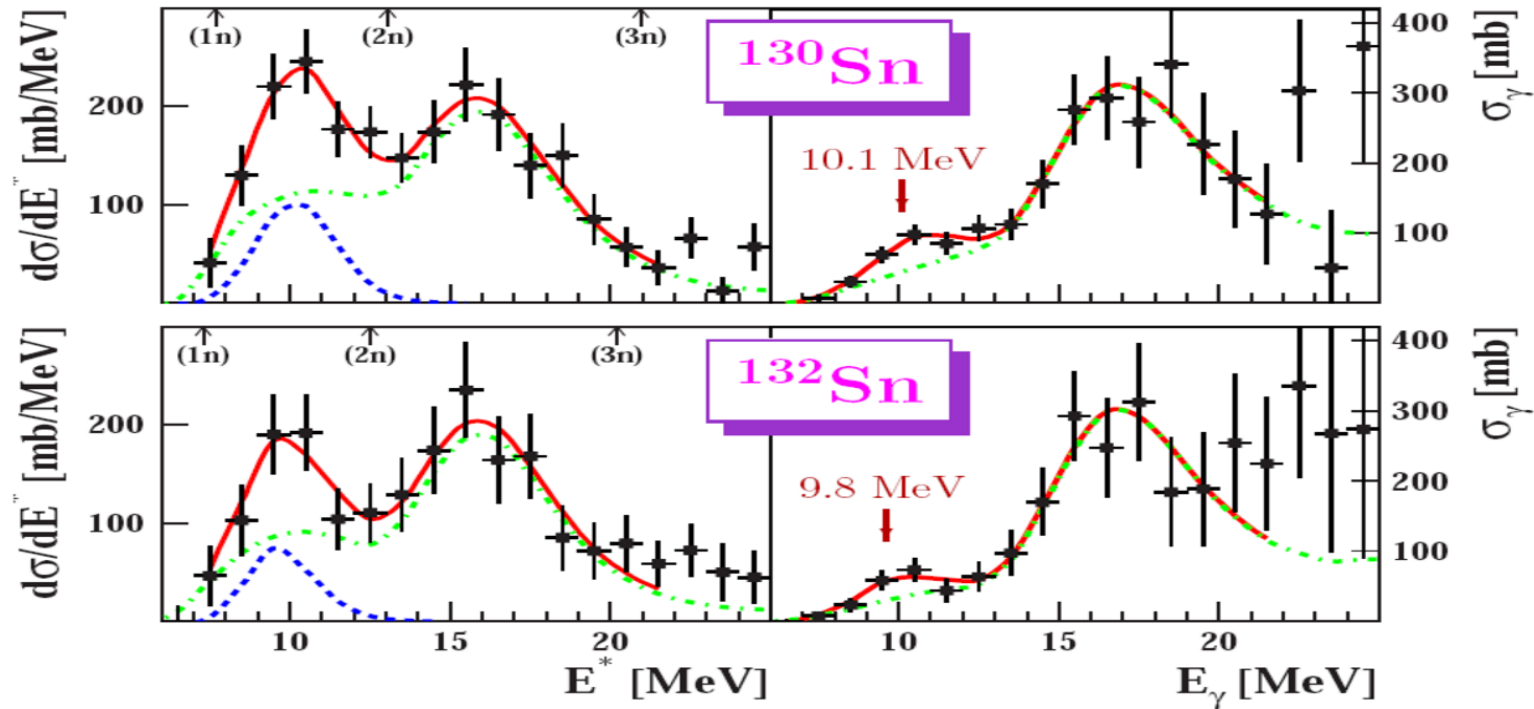
Strength distribution folded with Lorentzian, $\Gamma = 300$ keV



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E1 strength above threshold in exotic nuclei



Coulomb dissociation in inverse kinematics

P. Adrich et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 95 (2005) 132501

(Results on $^{18,20}\text{O}$: E. Tryggestad et al., PRC 67 (2003) 064309)

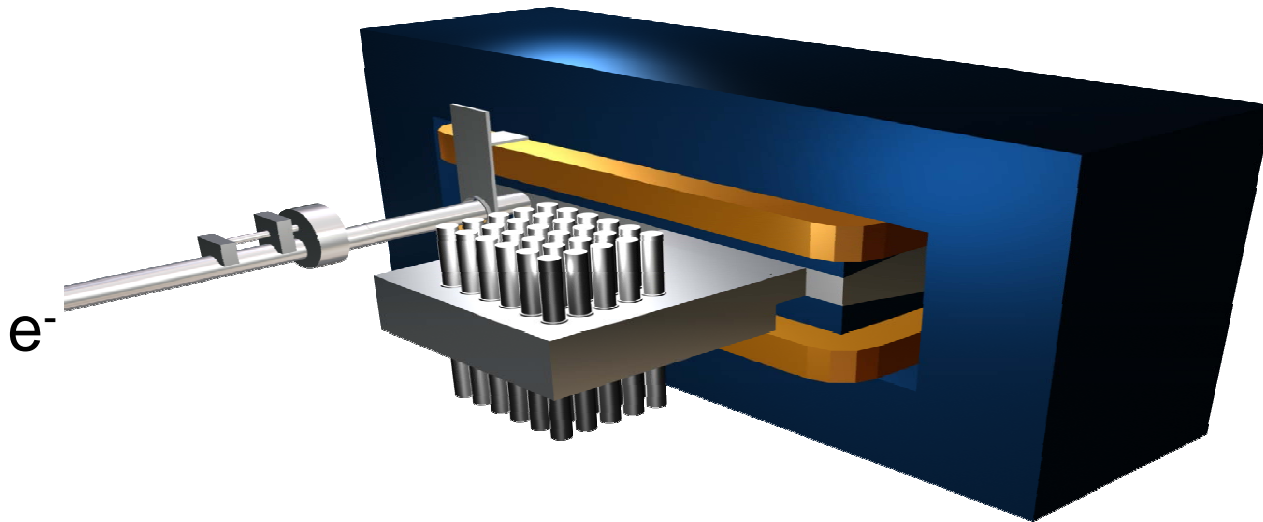
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Connection to E1 strength above the threshold in stable nuclei

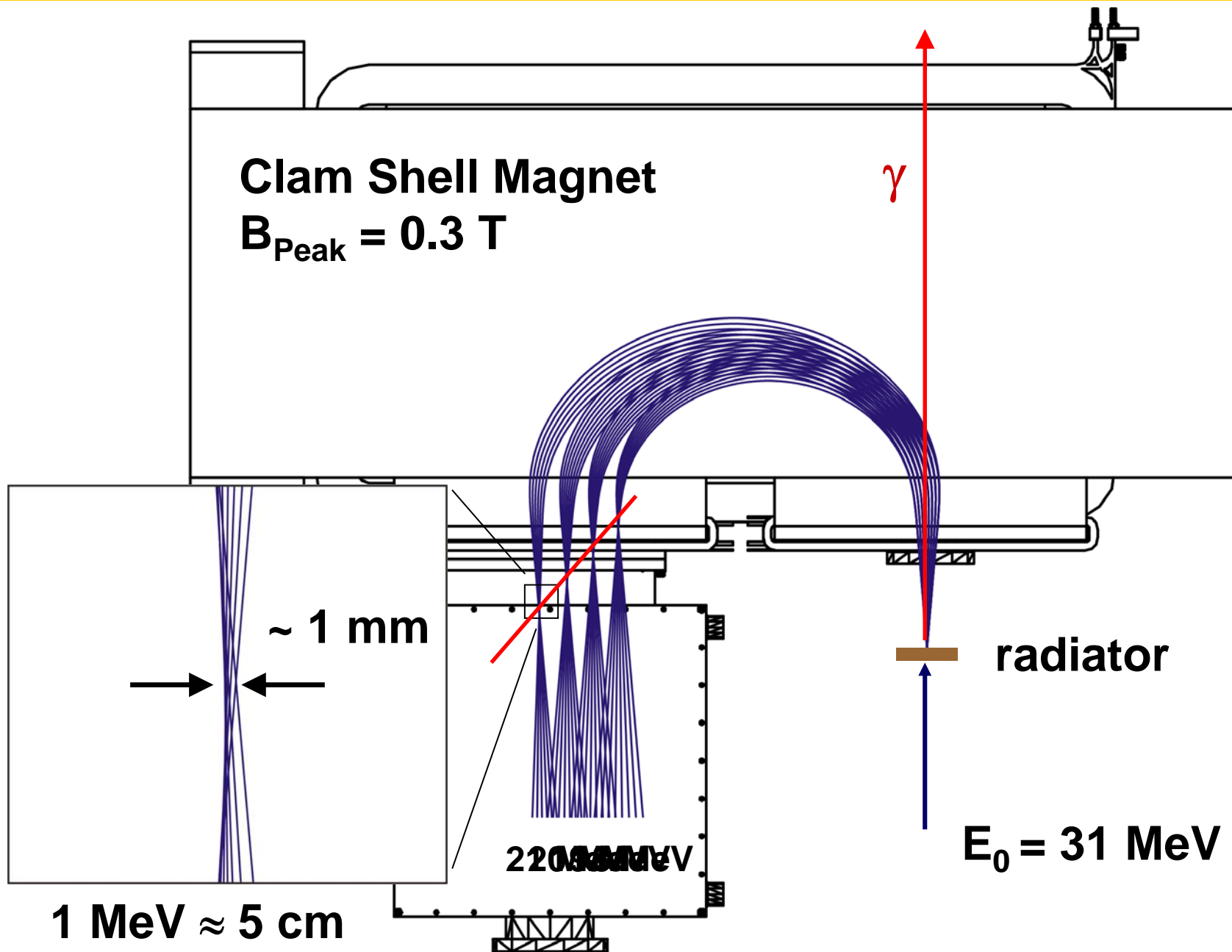
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High resolution measurement ($\Delta E/E < 0.25\%$)
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