

The real Pygmy Dipole Resonance – insights from $(\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$ experiments



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Z. Phys. **106** (1937) 236

6. Diskussion.

Die beschriebenen Versuche zeigen, daß bei gewissen Elementen der Prozeß (γ, n) verhältnismäßig leicht beobachtbar ist.

... Vielleicht spielen hierbei Resonanzverhältnisse eine entscheidende Rolle, ...

Giant Dipole Resonance (GDR)

1938: Nuclear Photo-effects

THE beautiful experiments of Bothe and Gentner¹ on the ejection of neutrons from heavier nuclei by means of γ -rays with energy of about 17 M.v. resulting from impact of protons on lithium, have revealed a remarkable selectivity of these nuclear photo-effects. ...

N. BOHR.

Universitetets Institut
for Teoretisk Fysik,
Copenhagen, ø
Jan. 31.

nature **141** (1938) 326

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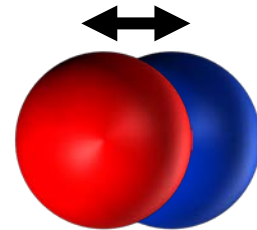
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1944:

QUADRUPOLE AND DIPOLE γ -RADIATION OF NUCLEI

By **A. MIGDAL**

J. Phys. (USSR) **8** (1944) 331



1947:

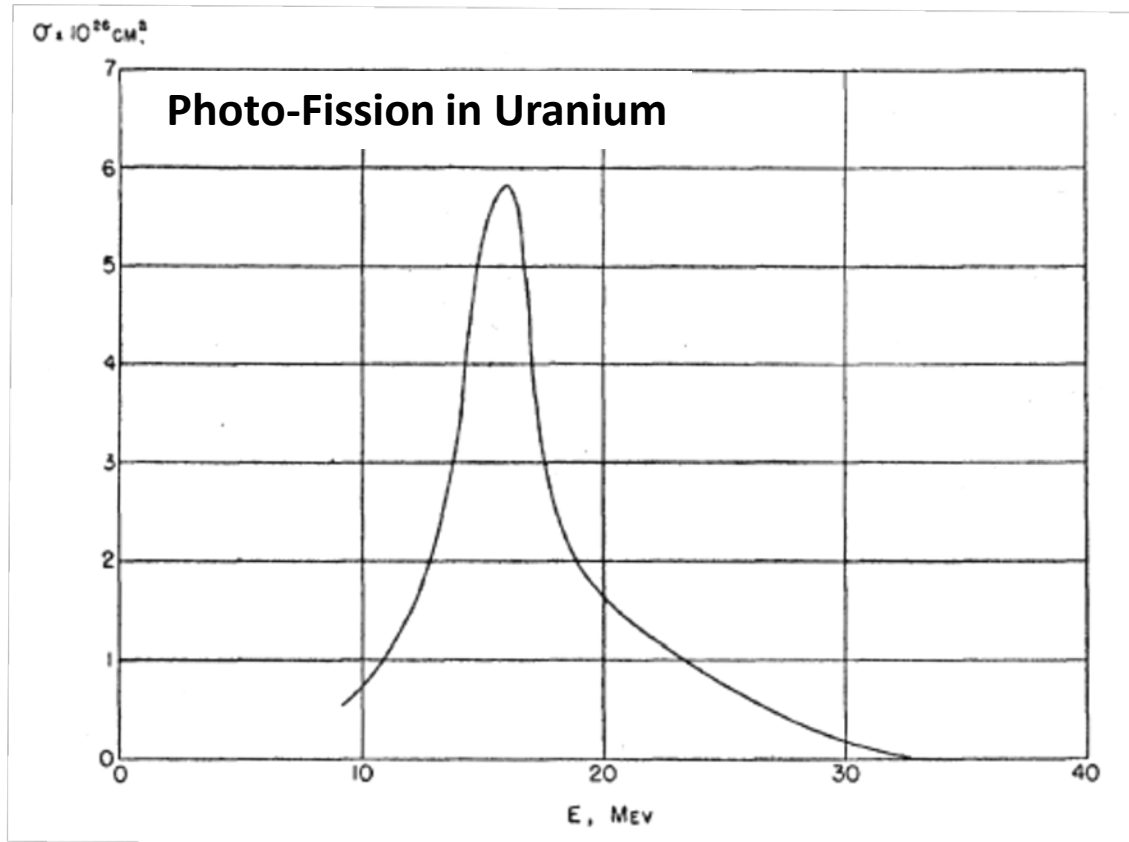
Photo-Fission in Heavy Elements*

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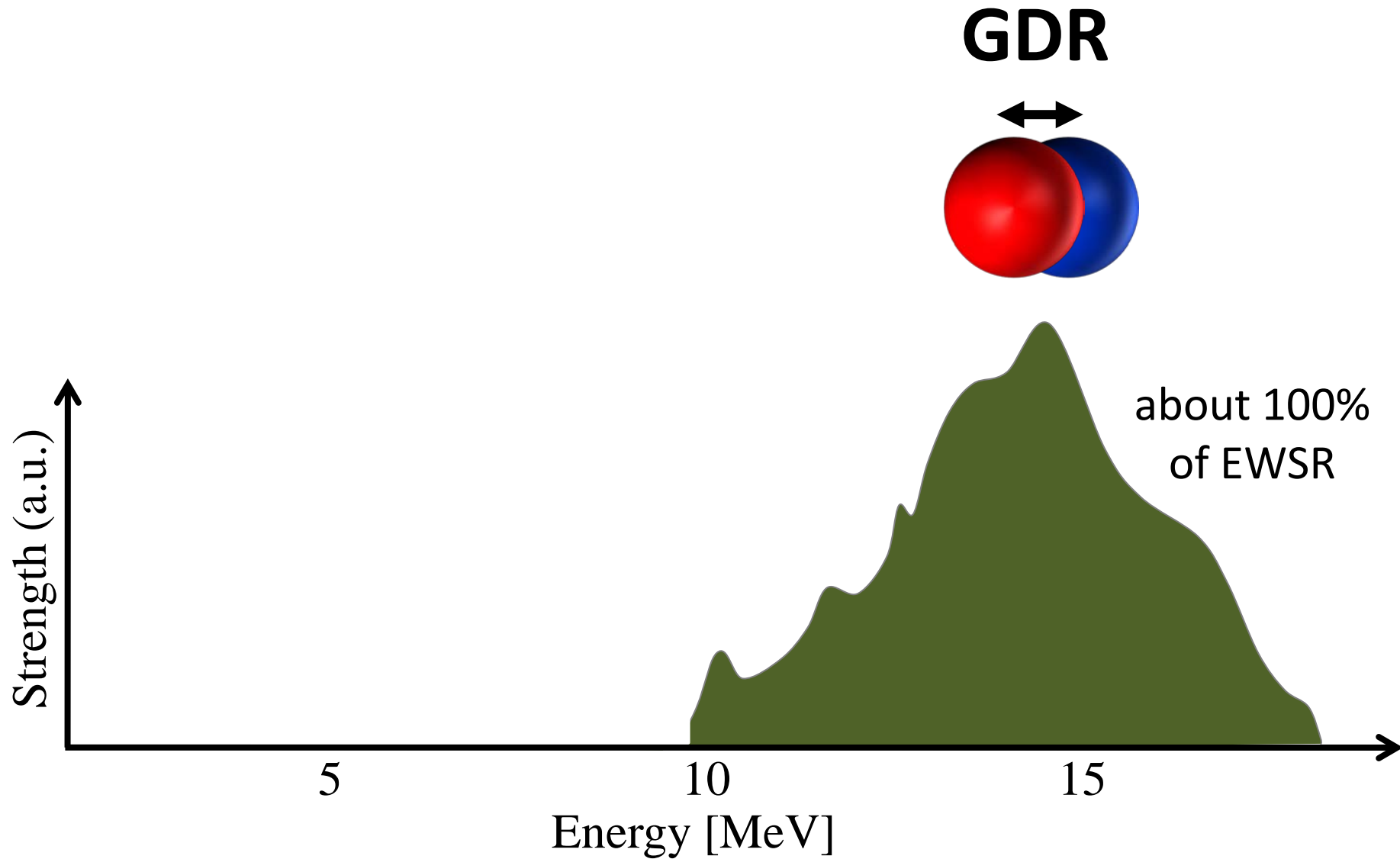
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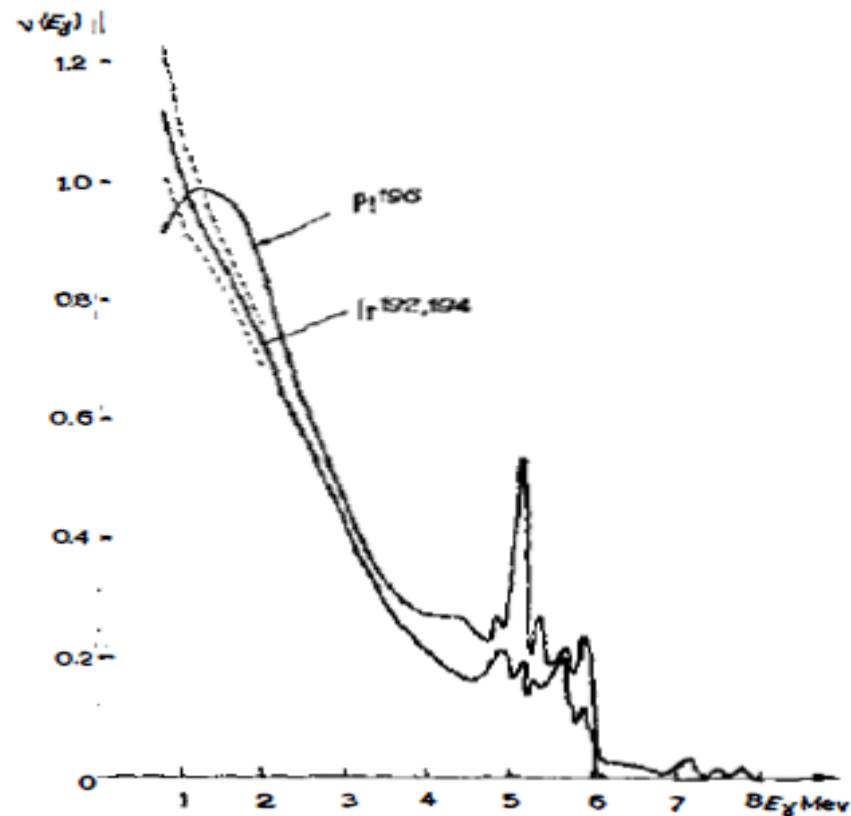
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NEUTRON CAPTURE GAMMA RAYS¹

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Neutron Physics Branch, Chalk River Project, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited

Ann. Rev. Nucl. Sci. 11 (1961) 259



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1969:

Effect of the pigmy resonance on the calculations of the neutron capture cross section

J. S. BRZOSKO, E. GIERLIK, A. SOLTAN, JR., AND Z. WILHELM

Can. J. Phys. 47 (1969) 2850

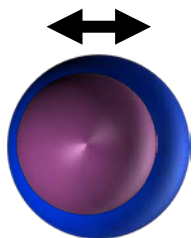
1971:

Three-Fluid Hydrodynamical Model of Nuclei*

R. Mohan, M. Danos, and L.C. Biedenharn,

Phys. Rev. C 3 (1971) 1740

Z protons, Z neutrons, N-Z excess neutrons



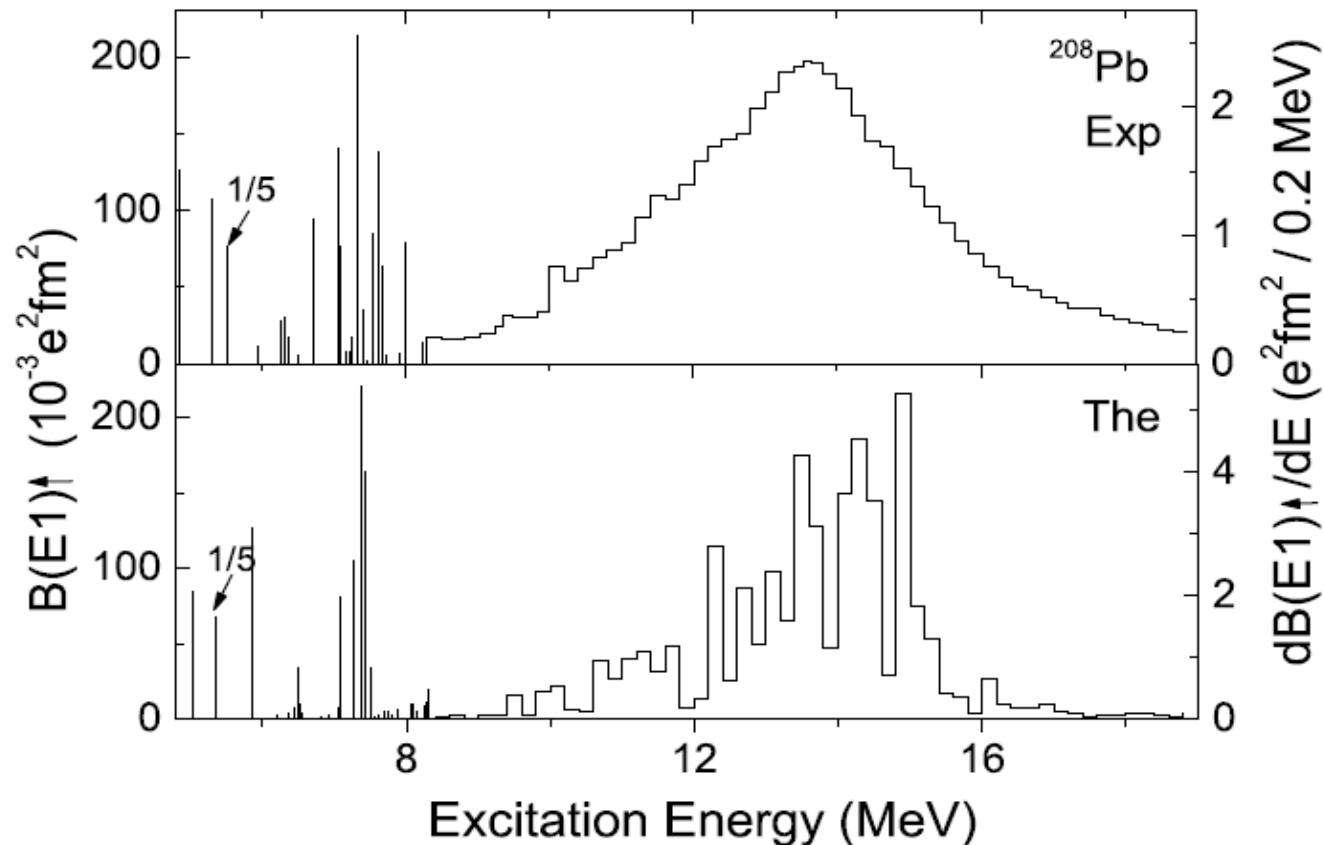
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2002:

Nature of Low-Energy Dipole Strength in Nuclei: The Case of a Resonance at Particle Threshold in ^{208}Pb

N. Ryezayeva,¹ T. Hartmann,¹ Y. Kalmykov,¹ H. Lenske,² P. von Neumann-Cosel,^{1,*} V. Yu. Ponomarev,^{1,†} A. Richter,¹ A. Shevchenko,¹ S. Volz,¹ and J. Wambach¹

Phys. Rev. Lett. **89** (2002) 272502



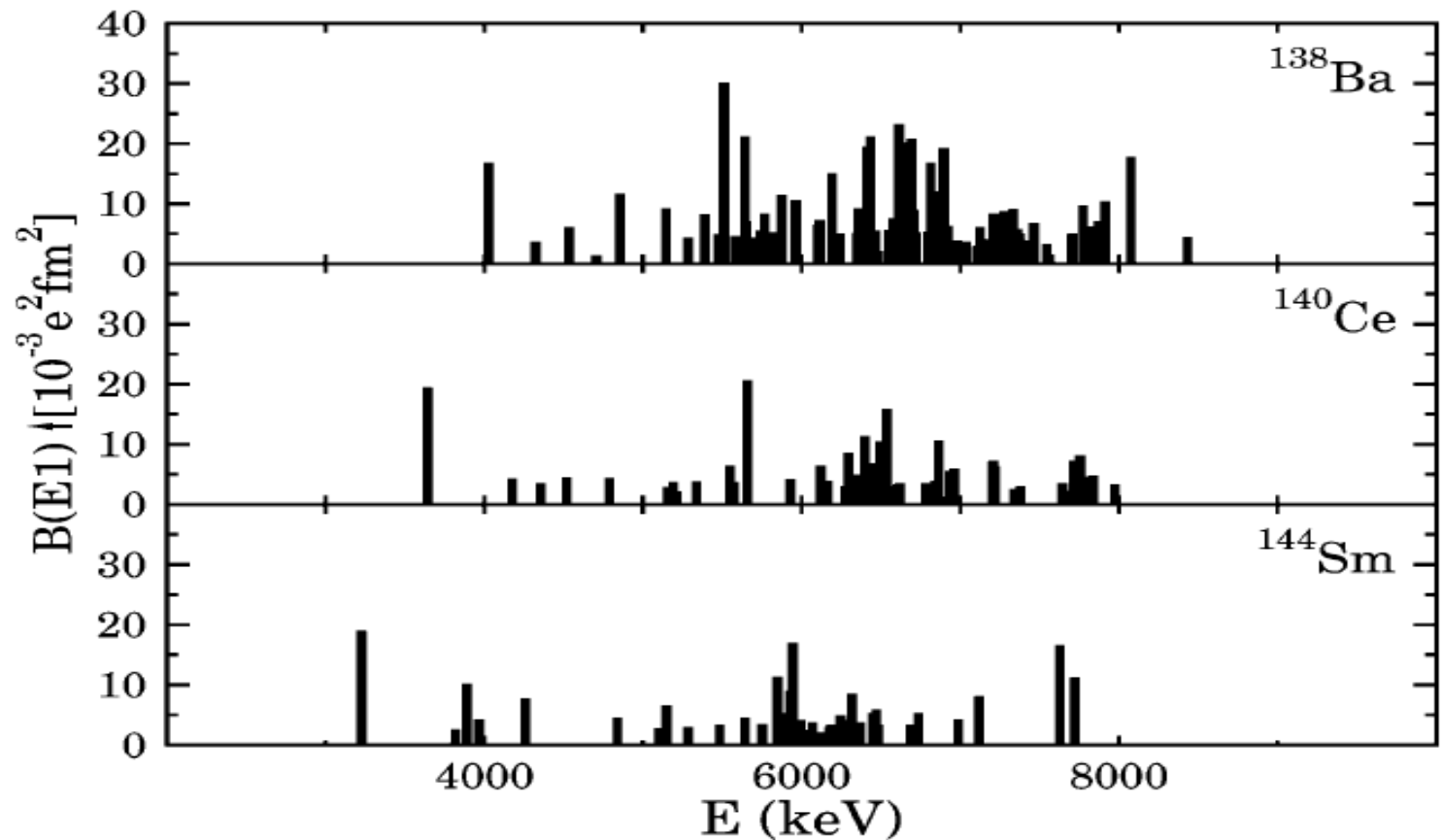
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2002:

Concentration of electric dipole strength below the neutron separation energy in $N = 82$ nuclei

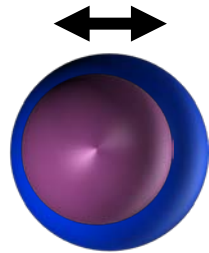
A. Zilges, S. Volz, M. Babilon, T. Hartmann, P. Mohr, K. Vogt

Phys. Lett. B **542** (2002) 43

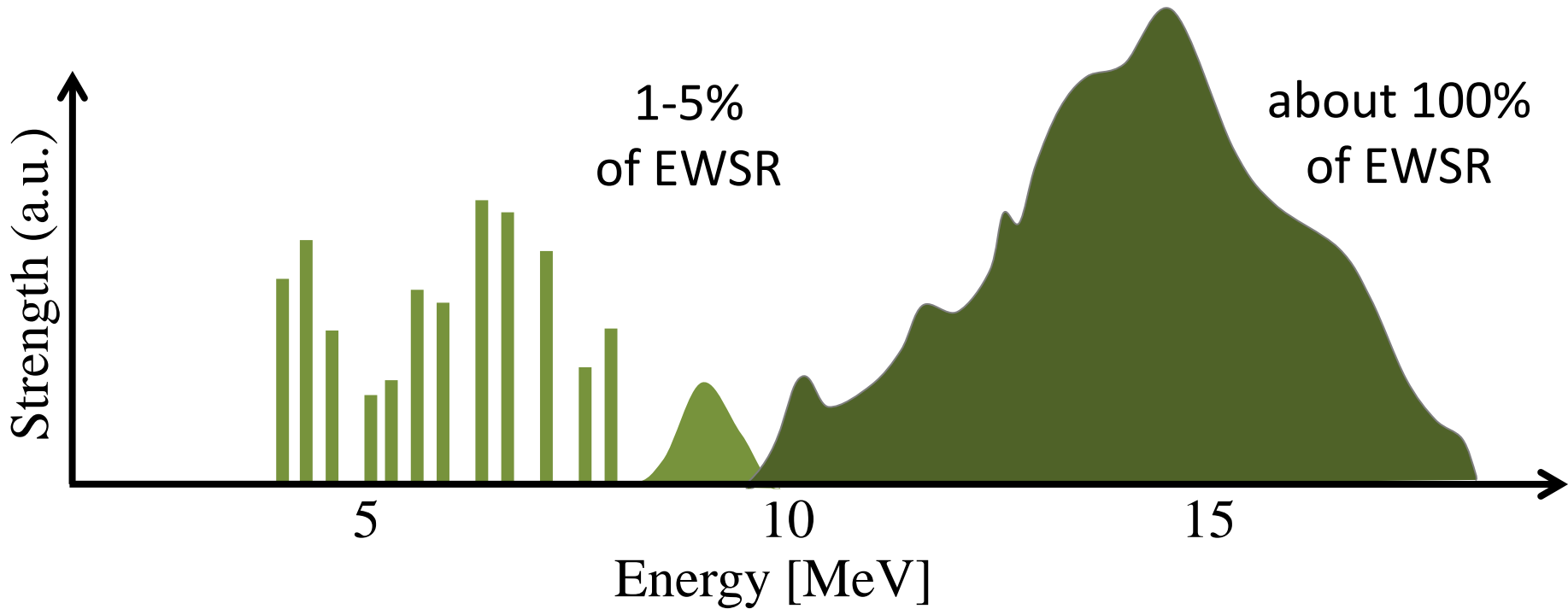
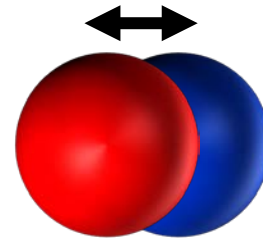


From giants to pygmies

PDR



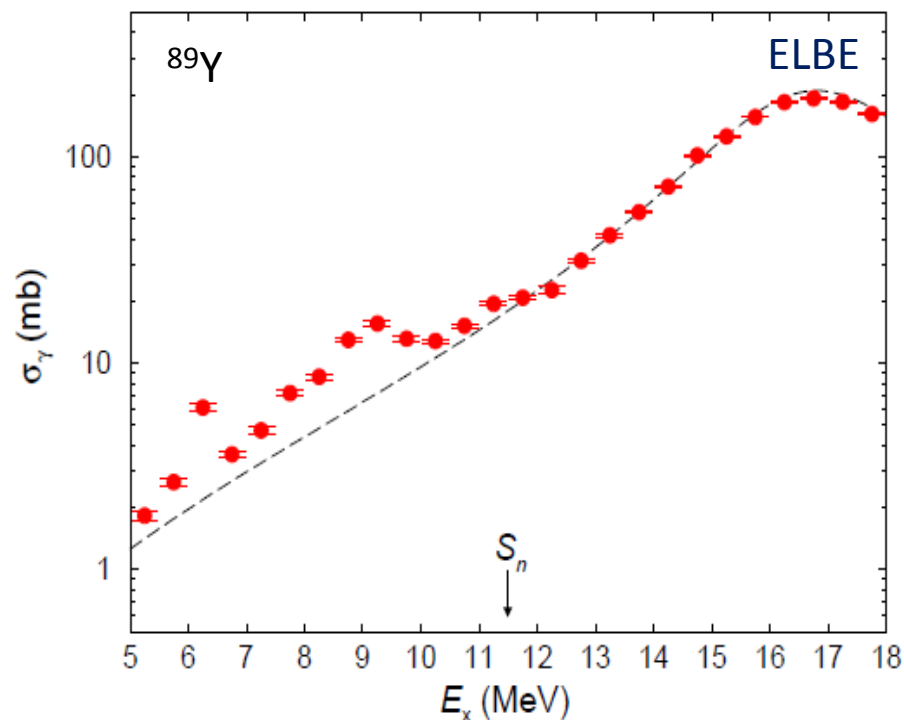
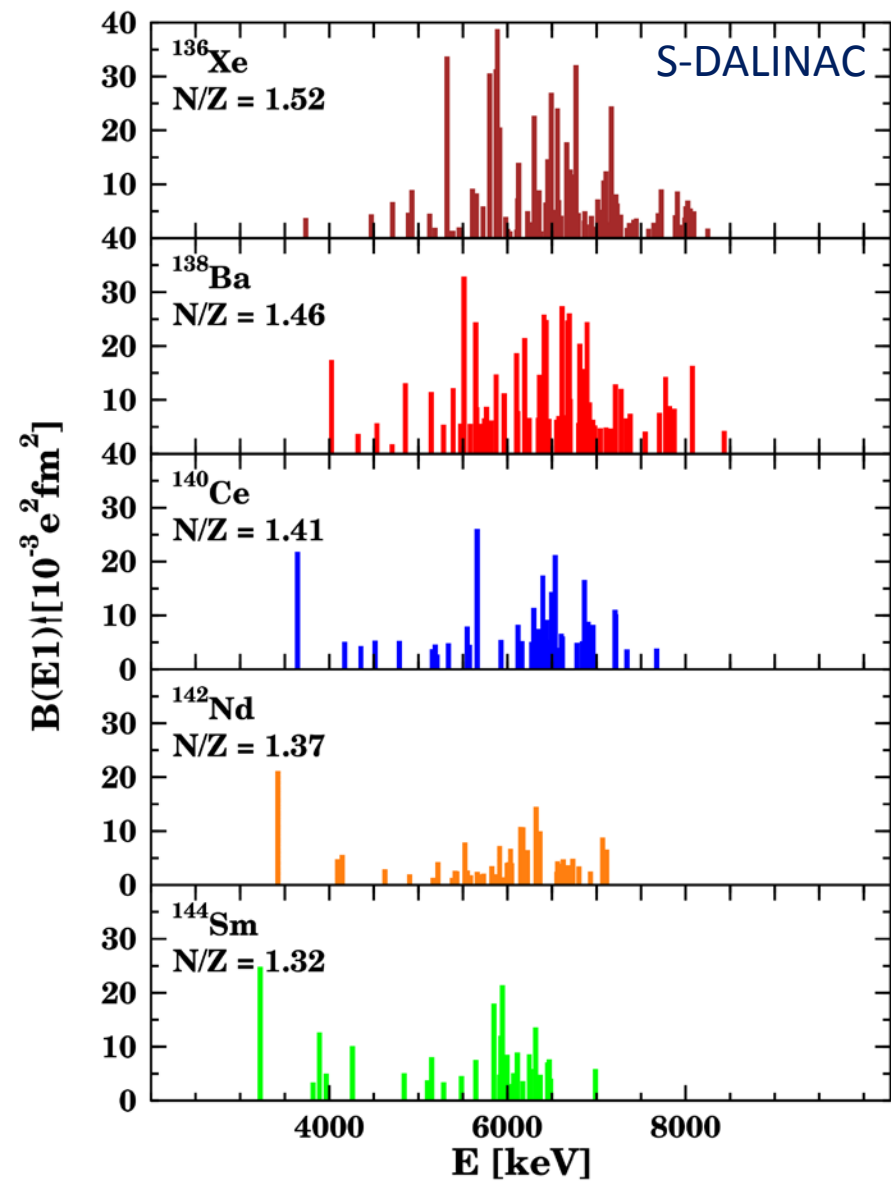
GDR



Pygmy Dipole Resonances in atomic nuclei

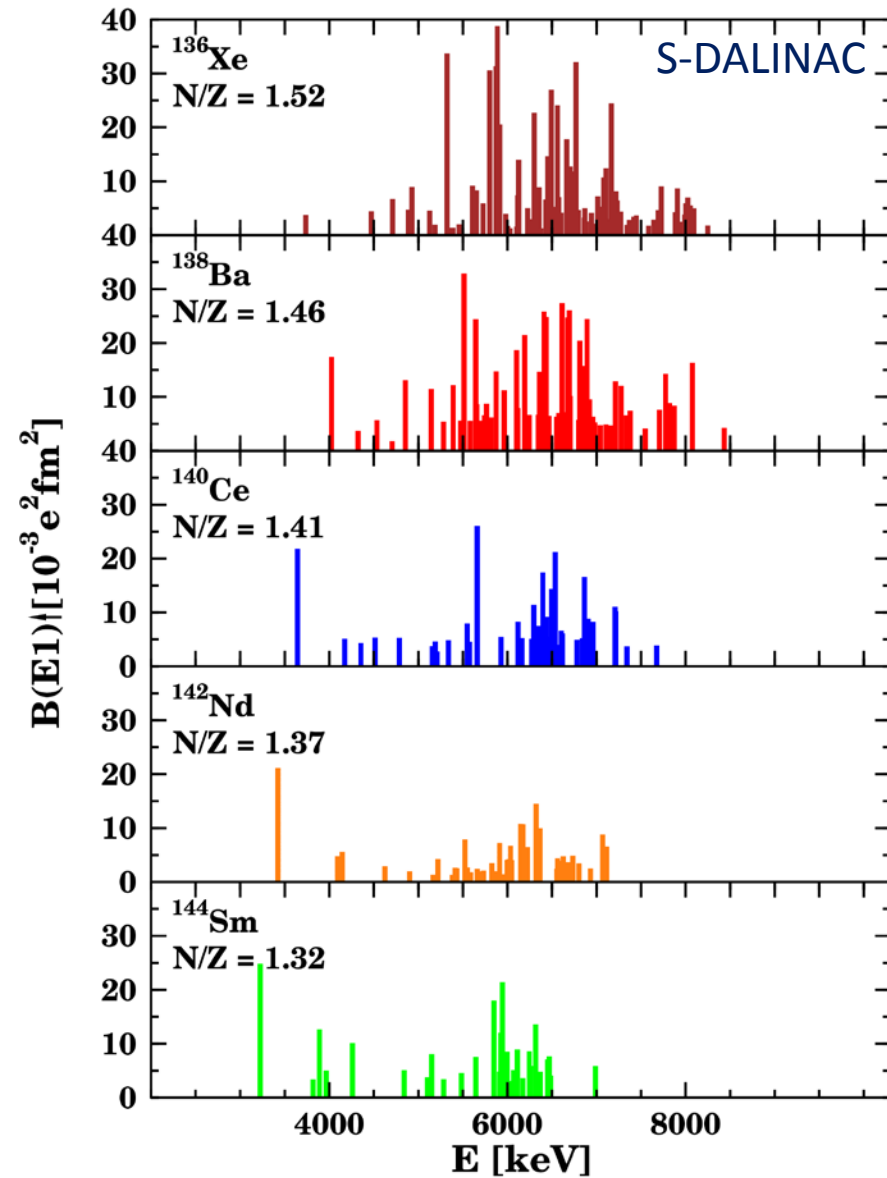
- Experimental approaches:
Photons and α particles
- Splitting of the PDR
- Open questions

Status from photon scattering experiments



- N. Benouaret et al., PRC 79 (2009) 014303*
- D. Savran et al., PRC 84 (2011) 024326*
- S. Volz et al., NPA 779 (2006) 1*
- A. Zilges et al., PLB 542 (2002) 43*

Status from photon scattering experiments



- E1 strength exhausting about 1% of the isovector E1 EWSR
- strongly fragmented
- no obvious N/Z dependence

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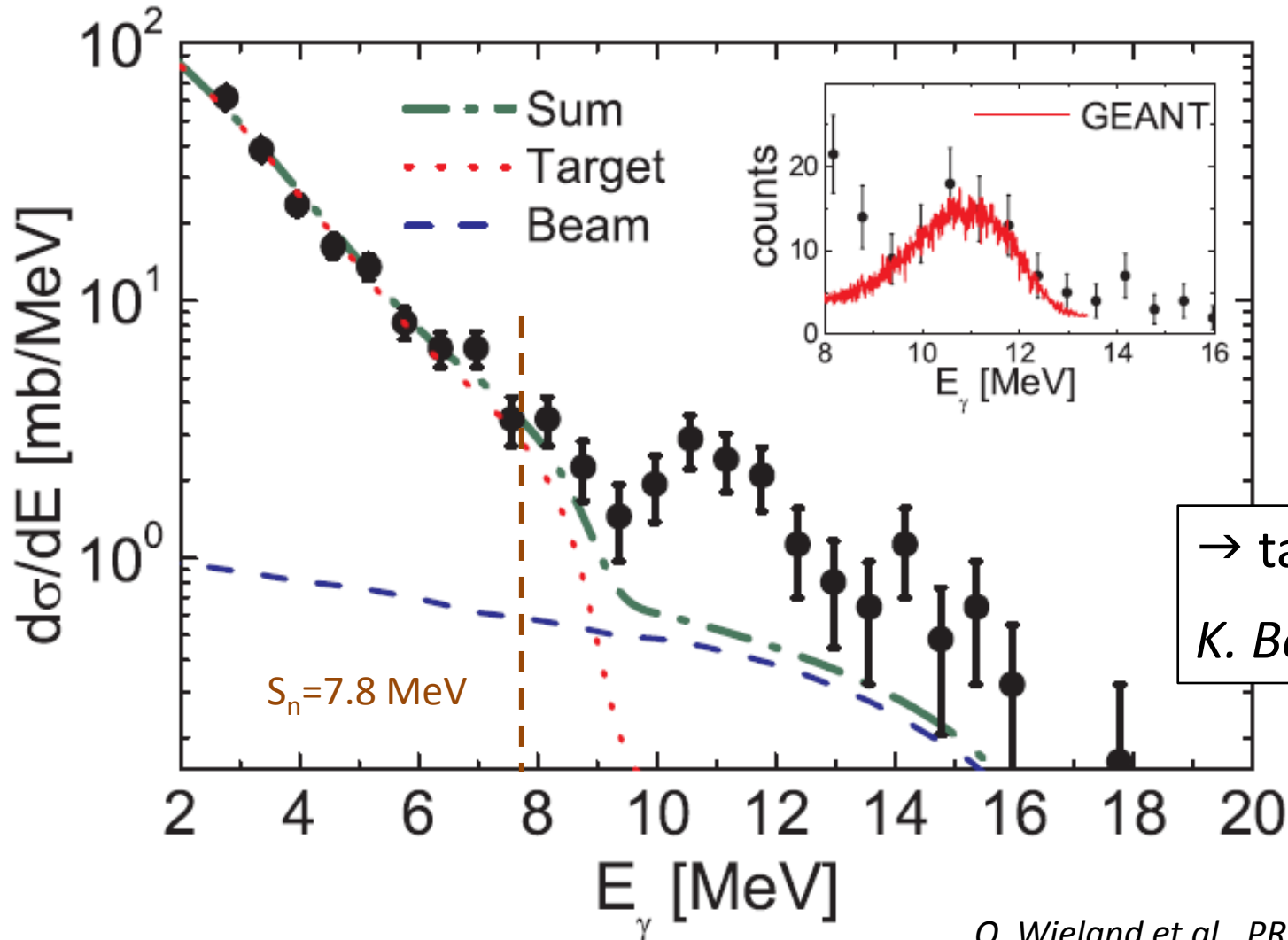
R. Schwengner

D. Savran

Pygmy Dipole Resonance in radioactive nuclei

^{68}Ni @ 600 MeV/A on Au

RISING HPGe array, HECTOR BaF₂ array



PDR studies with photons

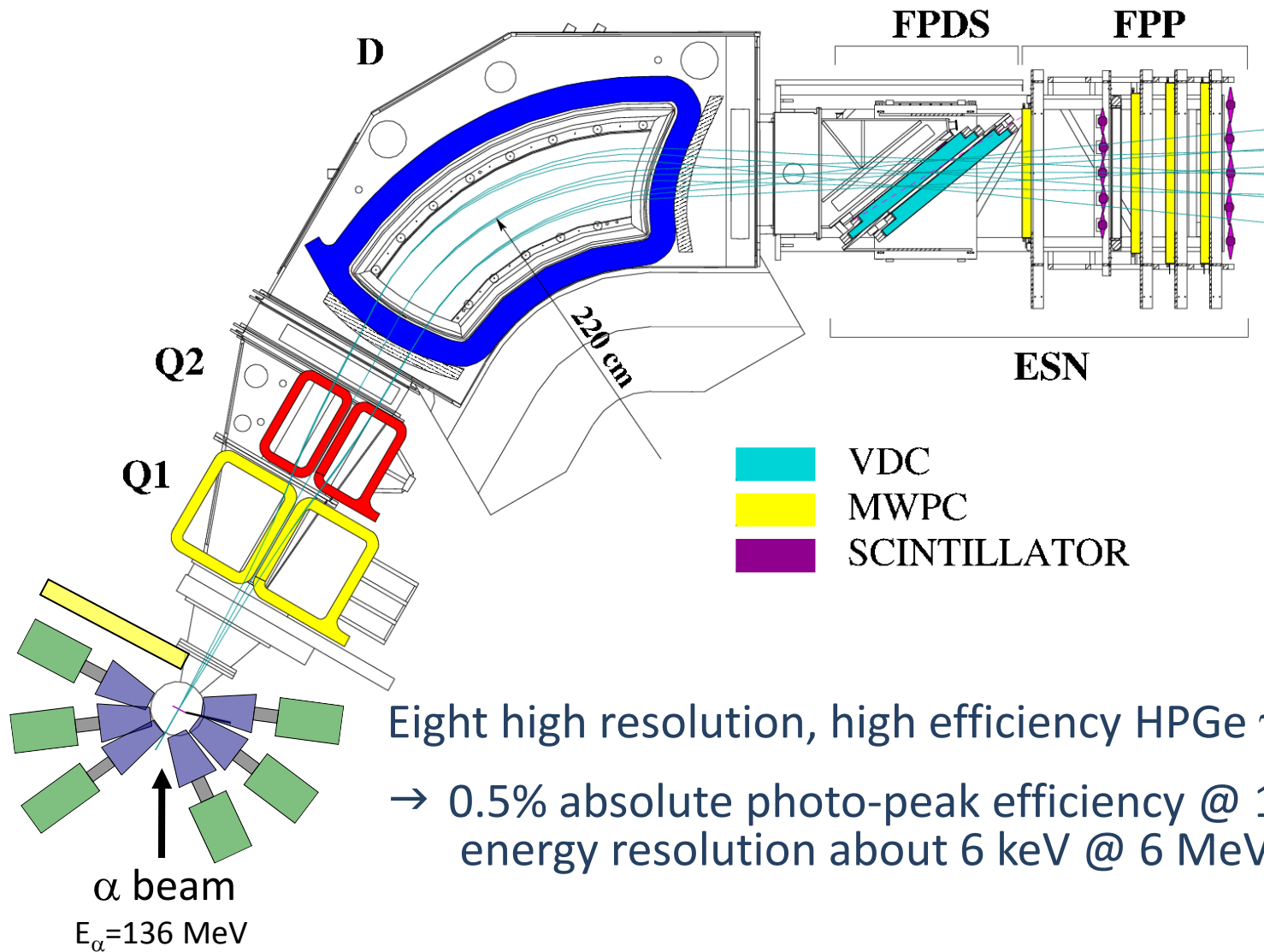
- The main information coming from experiments with real and virtual photons are the E1 strength distributions
- Complementary structural information may come from experiments using the hadronic interaction

Structure of the PDR: (γ, γ') vs. (α, α')

	(γ, γ')	(α, α') @ 30 MeV/A
Interaction	Electromagnetic	Strong
Location of interaction	Whole nucleus	Surface
Isospin	Isovector E1 excitations	Isoscalar
Multipolarity	E1, M1, E2	E0, E1, E2, E3, ...
ΔE	5-500 keV	50-200 keV

A coincident detection of the γ decay enhances the selectivity and energy resolution of α scattering
 $\rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$

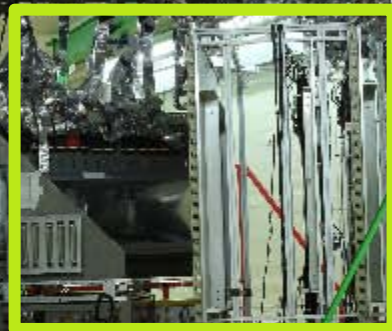
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Photos by S. Pickstone



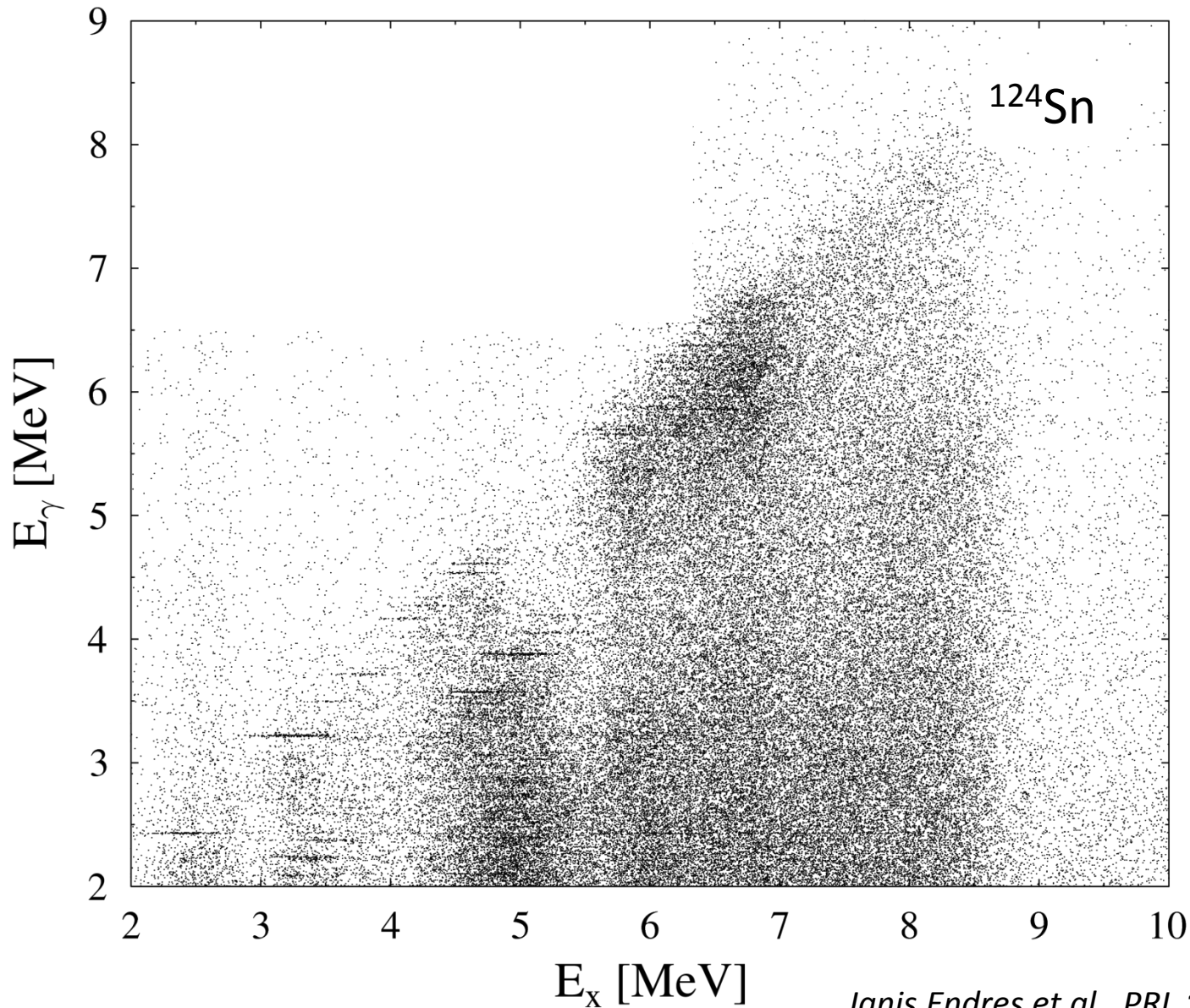
γ detection



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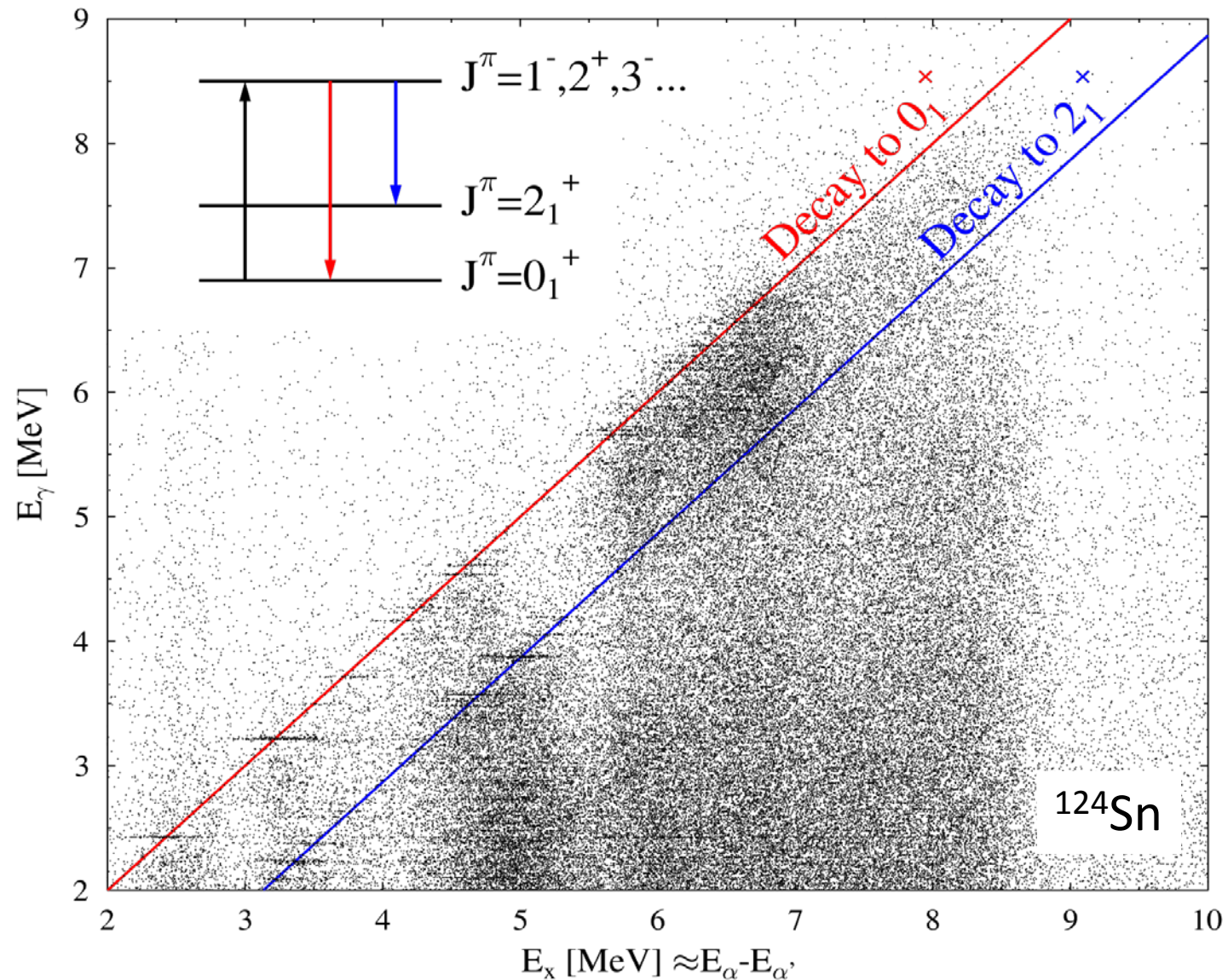


$(\alpha, \alpha'\gamma)$ experiments: 2d energy matrix



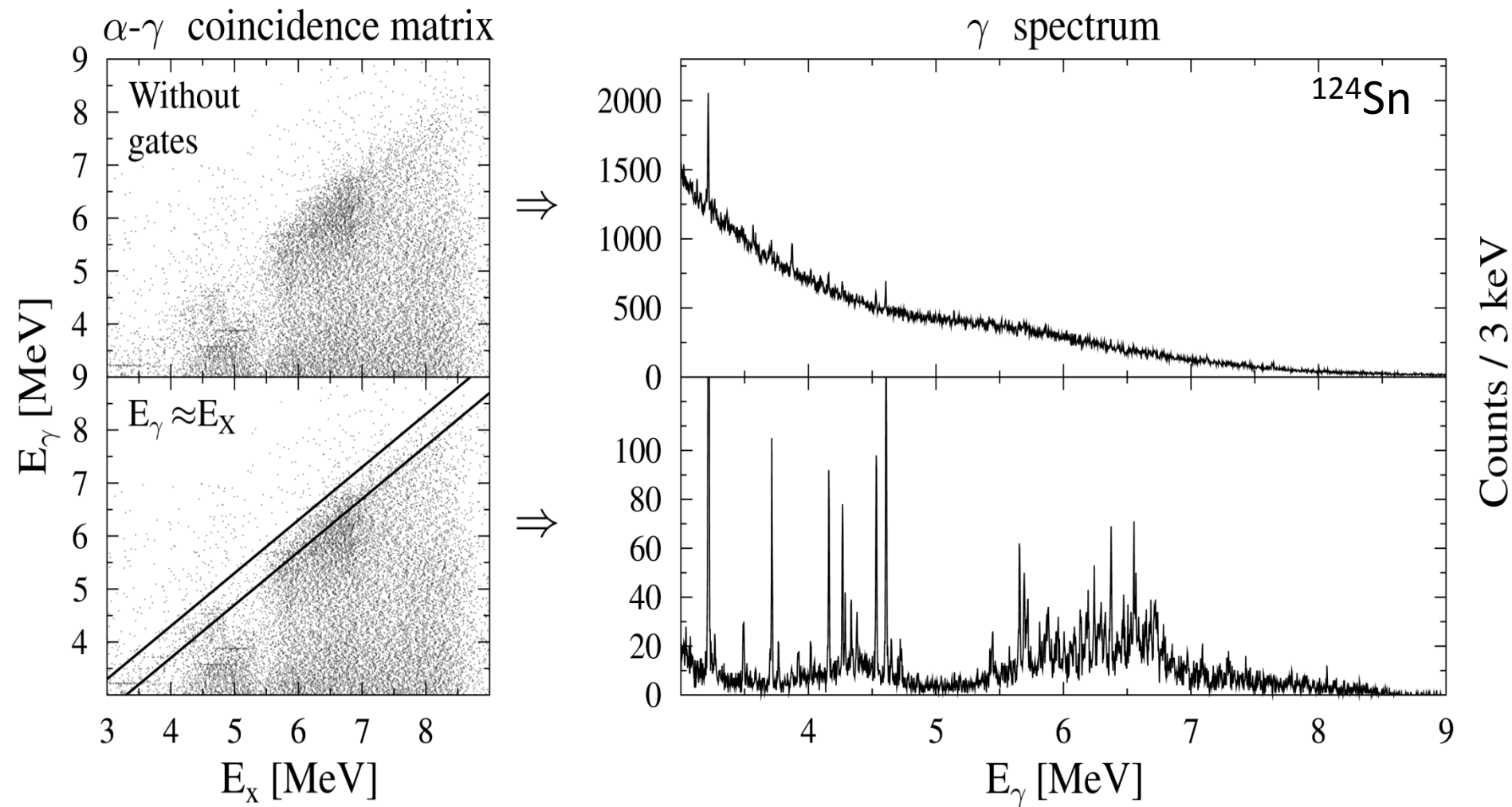
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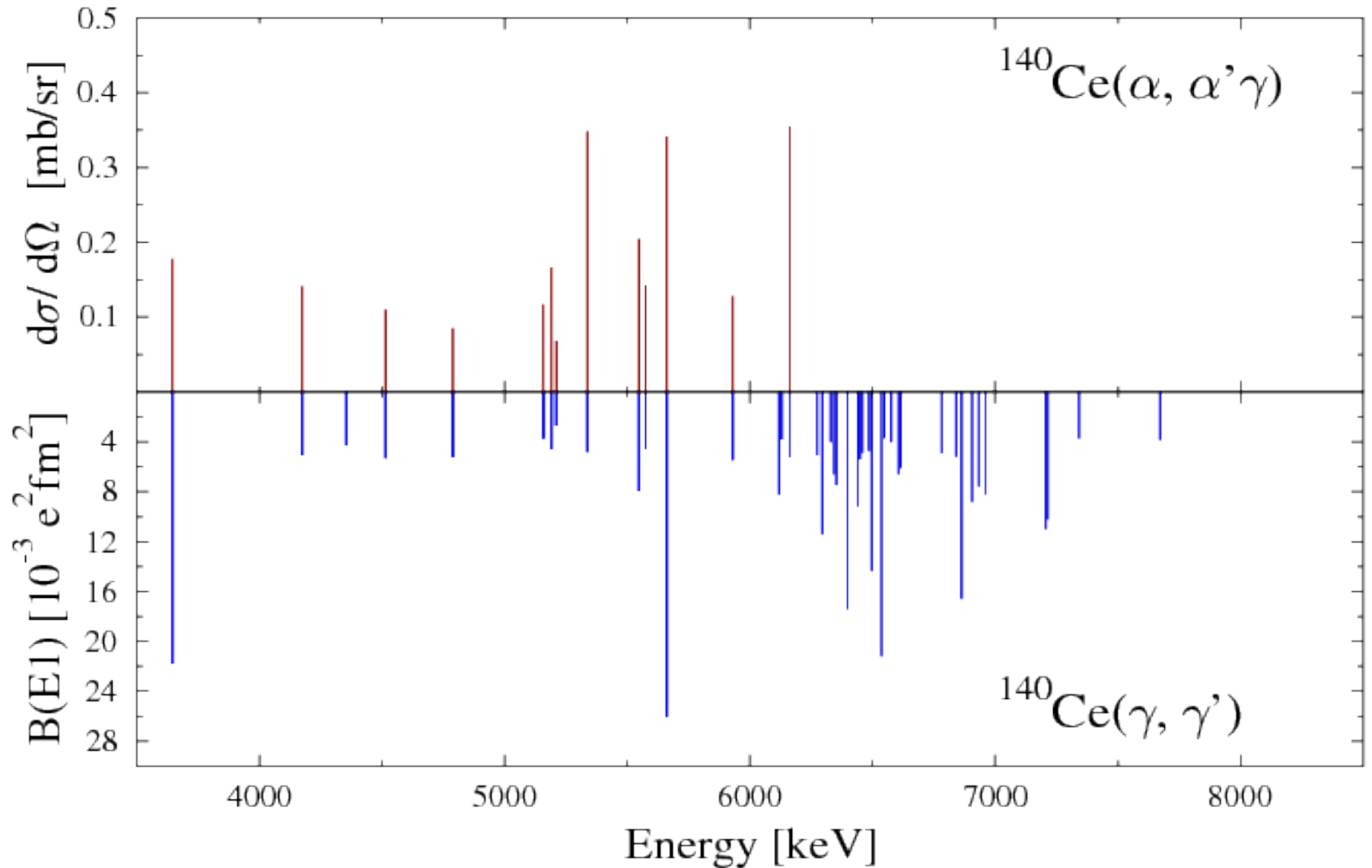


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Structure of the PDR: ($\alpha, \alpha'\gamma$) experiments

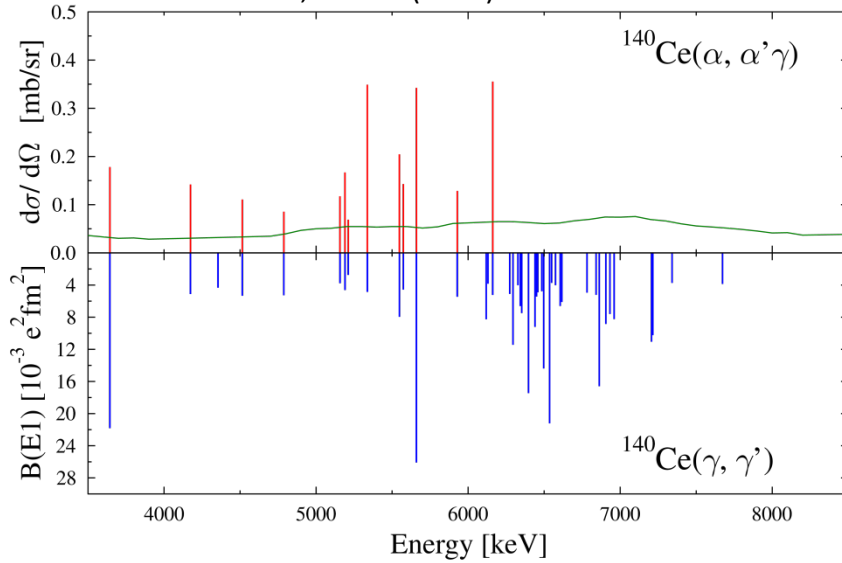


Splitting of the PDR

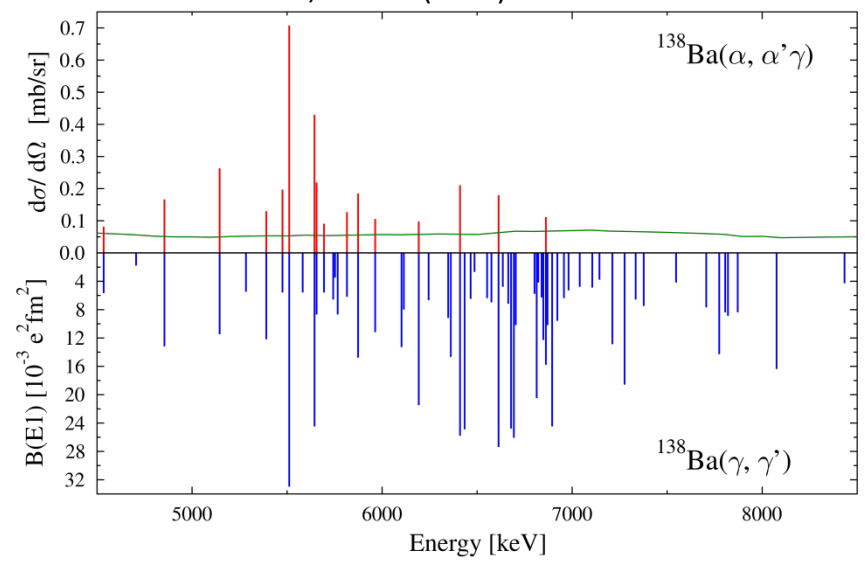


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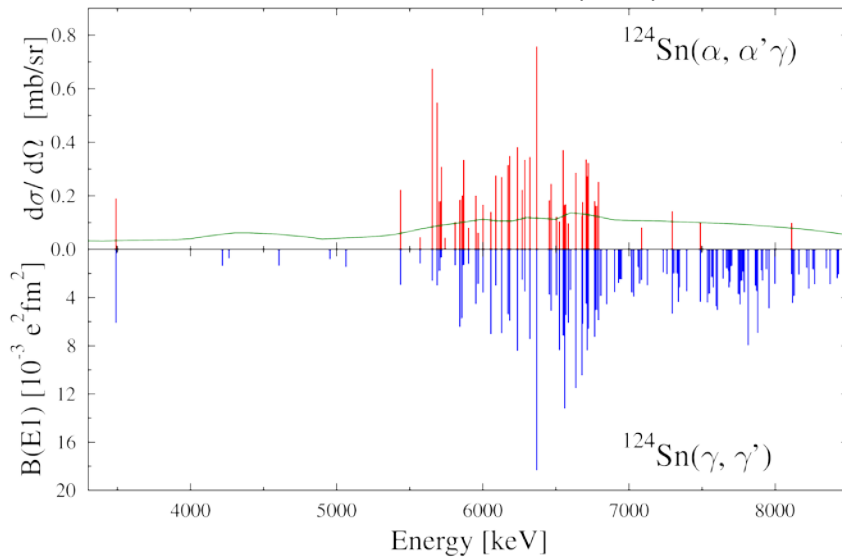
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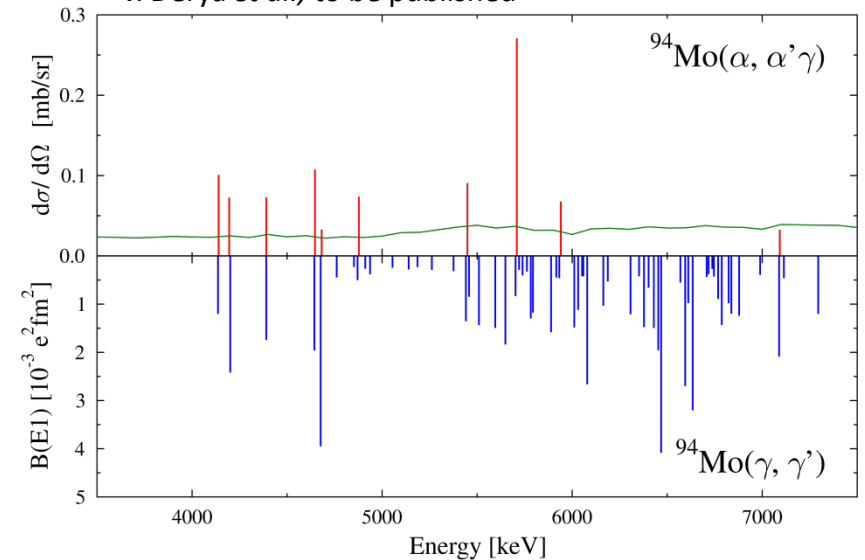
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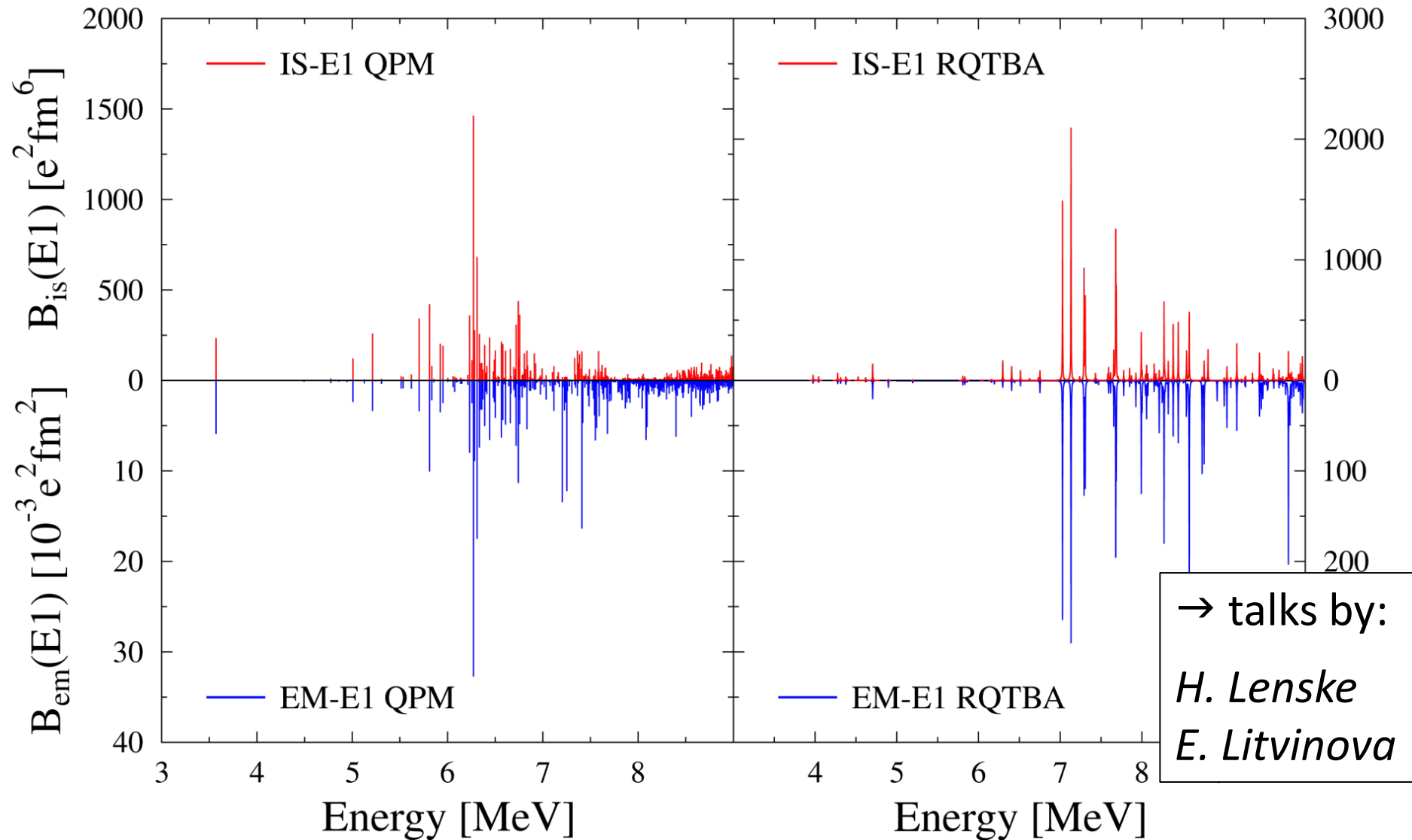


Splitting of the PDR

Pure experimental finding:

- E1 strength below about 6-7 MeV excited by **photons** and **α particles**
- Higher lying E1 strength excited by **photons** only

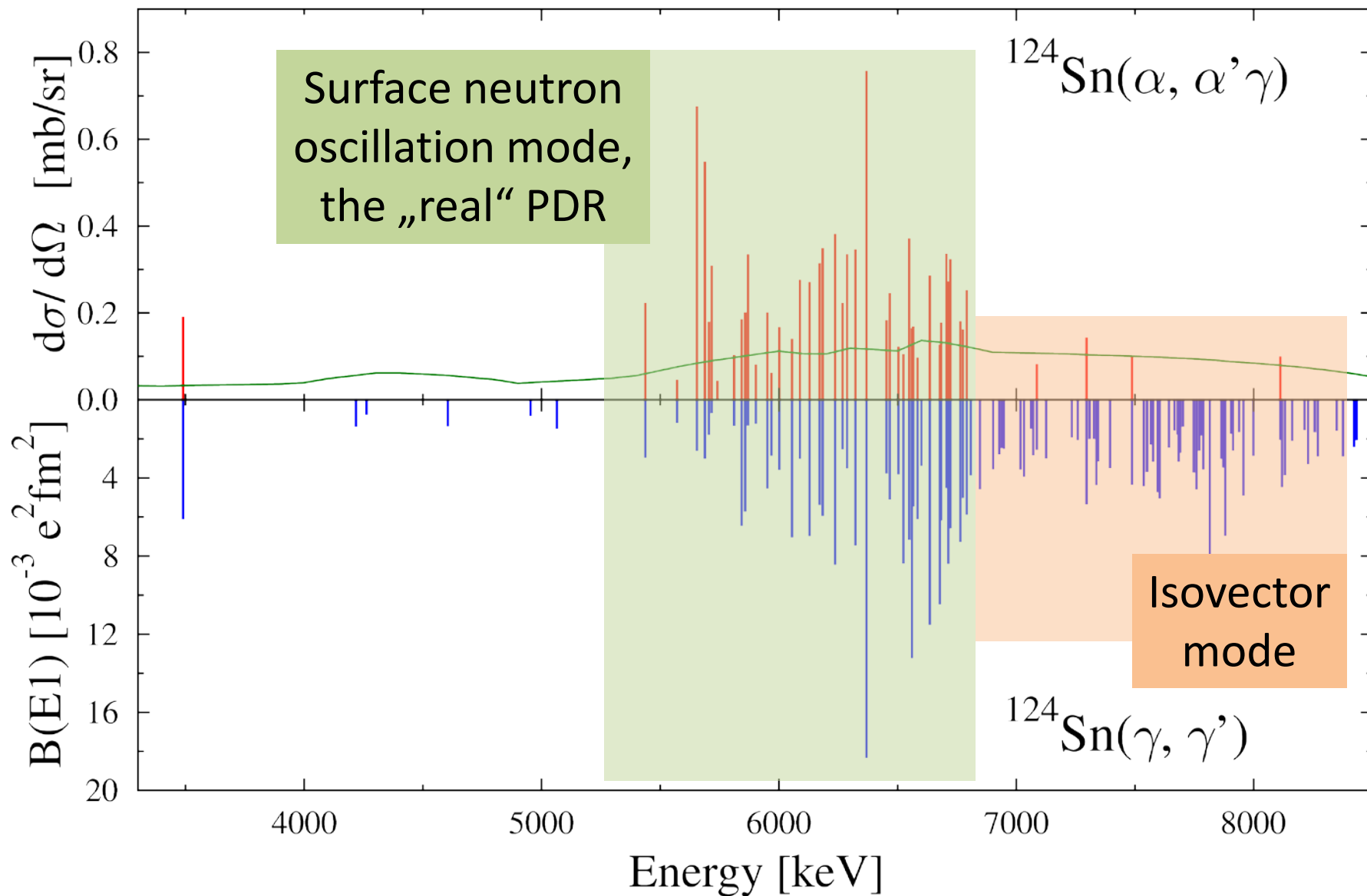
Splitting of the PDR in ^{124}Sn - Theory



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Splitting of the PDR: Interpretation from RQTBA



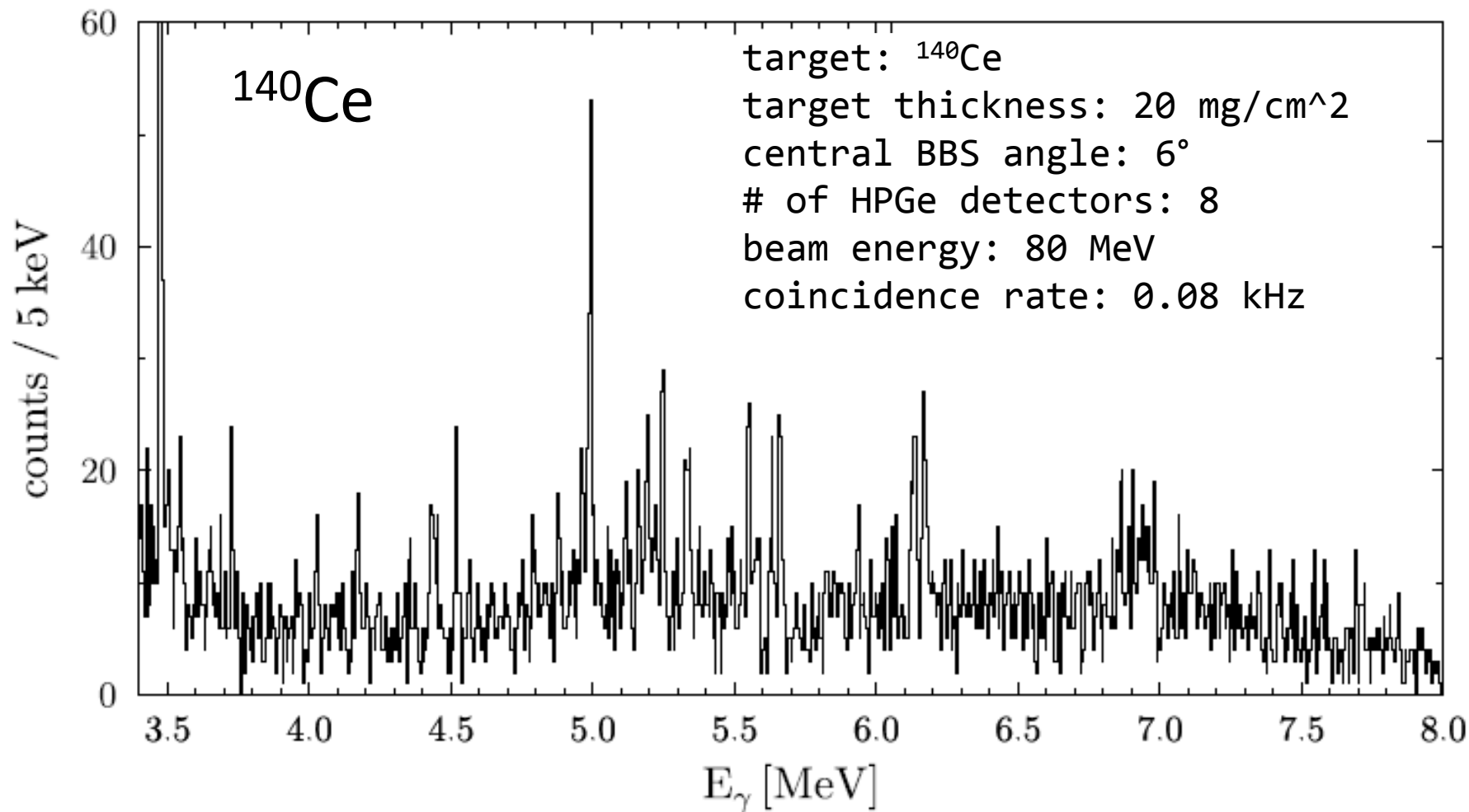
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Structure of the PDR: (γ, γ') vs. (α, α') vs (p, p')

	(γ, γ')	(α, α') @ 30 MeV/A	(p, p') @ 80 MeV/A
Interaction	Electromagnetic	Strong	Strong
Location of interaction	Whole nucleus	Surface	Surface
Isospin	Isovector E1 excitations	Isoscalar	Isoscalar/ Isovector
Multipolarity	E1, M1, E2	E0, E1, E2, E3, ...	E0, E1, E2, ...
ΔE	3-10 keV	50-200 keV	50-200 keV

First (p,p' γ) experiment @ KVI in April 2012

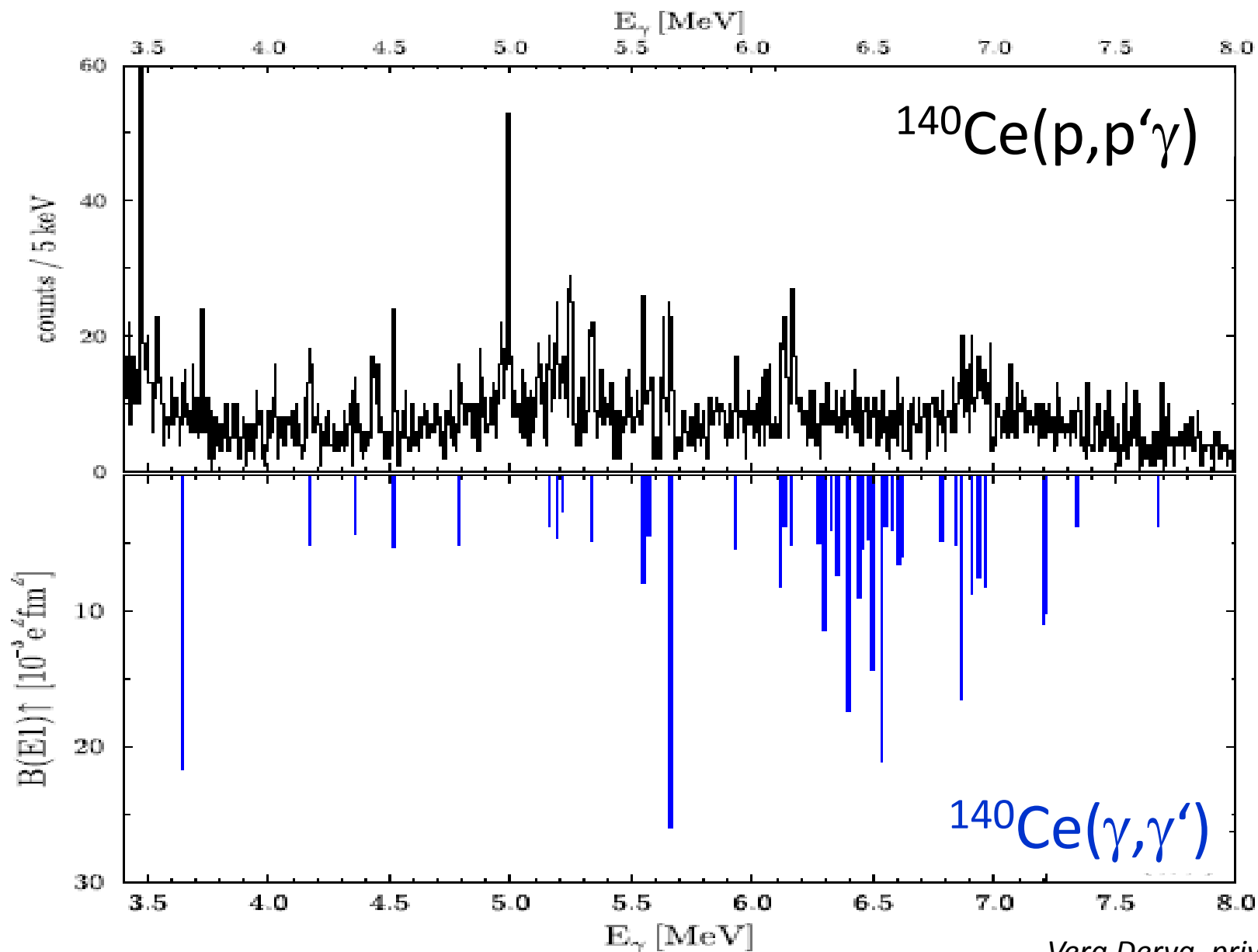


Sum of three HPGe detectors, backward angles

Condition: $E_\gamma = E_x$

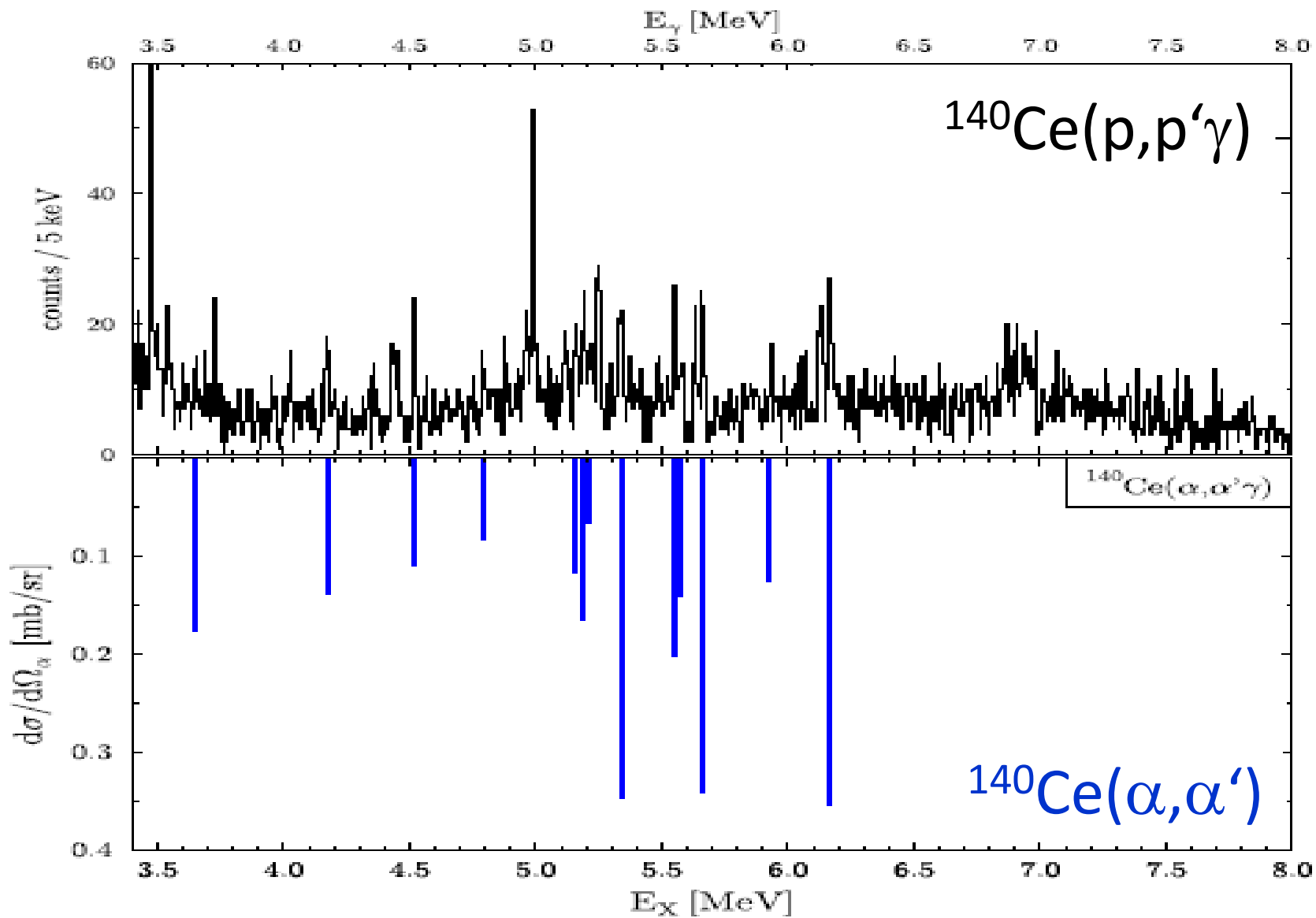
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First results: (p,p'γ) experiments@KVI



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Some open questions and future plans

- What is the connection between the E1 strength below and above neutron threshold and in stable and radioactive nuclei?
- What do we know about E1 strength in light nuclei?
- Does only the energetically low lying strength correspond to the „real“ Pygmy Dipole Resonance?

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Strength below and above threshold:

^{48}Ca , ^{120}Sn , ^{144}Sm @ Grand RAIDEN @ RCNP (data evaluation)

$^{124-134}\text{Sn}$, ^{136}Xe @ LAND/R3B setup @ GSI (May/June 2012)

^{70}Zn , ^{96}Mo , ^{130}Te @ Grand RAIDEN @ RCNP (2012)

Structure of the E1 strength:

$^{124,128}\text{Sn}(d,d')$ @ LAND/R3B setup @ GSI (May/June 2012)

$^{124,128,132}\text{Sn}(\alpha,\alpha')$ @ BigRIPS @ RIKEN (2012)

^{124}Sn , $^{140}\text{Ce}(\gamma,\gamma')$ @ $\gamma^3\text{HIGS}$ @ Duke (2012)

$^{116-124}\text{Sn}$ @ $\vec{\text{NEPTUN}}$ @ TU Darmstadt (2013)

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