

# Mass measurements towards the r-process path at TITAN

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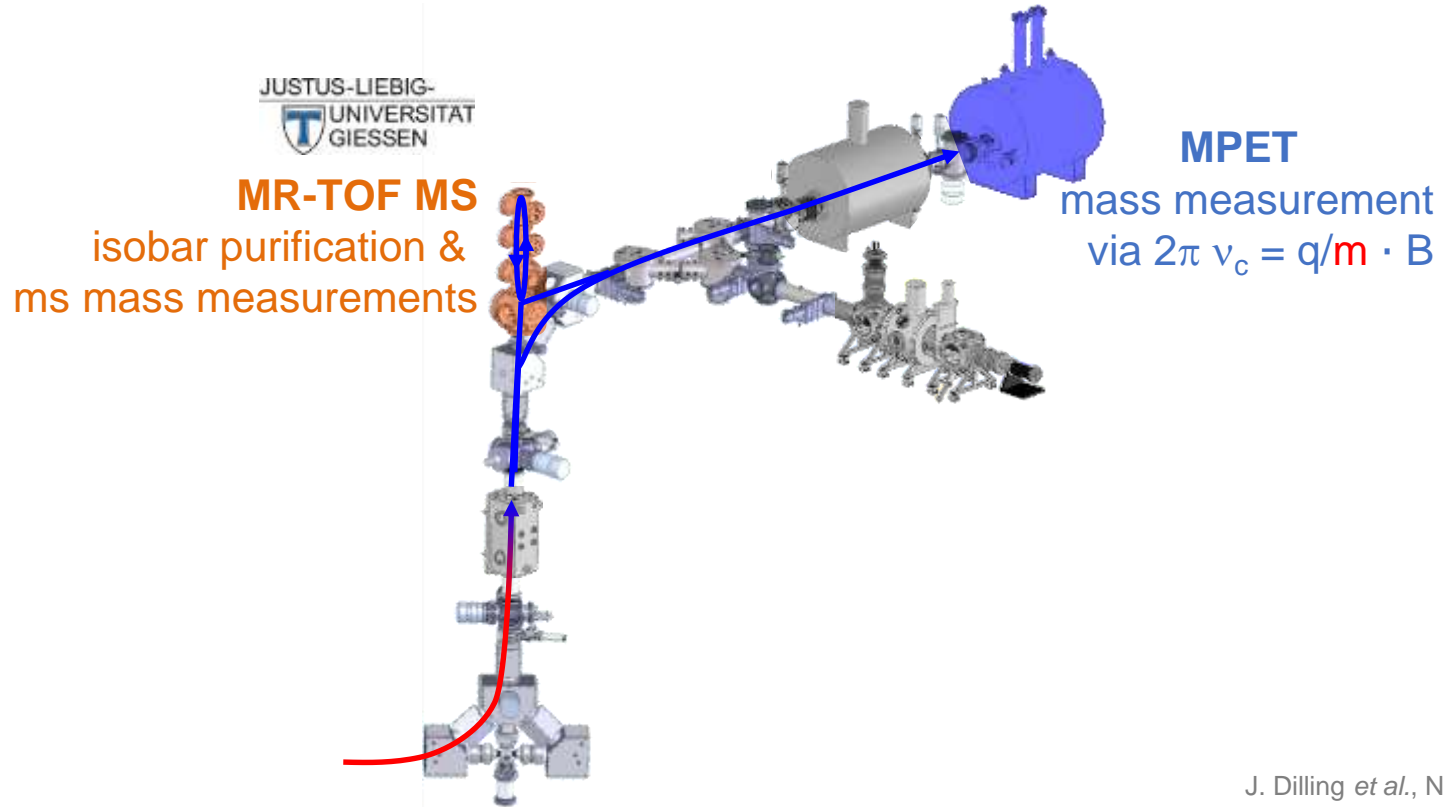
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# Two mass spectrometry techniques are used at TITAN.



# The Measurement Penning Trap delivers the best resolving power.



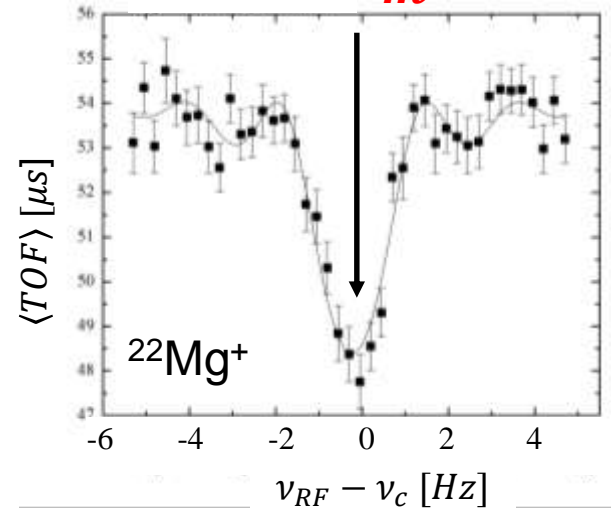
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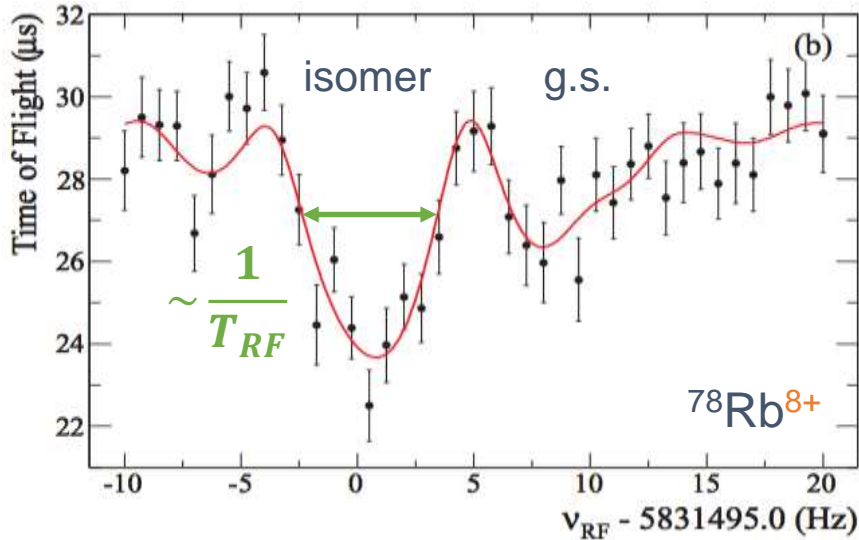
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$$2\pi\nu_c = \frac{qe}{m} \cdot B$$



Fast beam preparation and the TOF-ICR technique has led to measurements for half-lives as low as 9 ms ( $^{11}\text{Li}^+$ ).  
(PI-ICR forthcoming)

# Resolving power is boosted by higher charge states.



$$\frac{m}{\Delta m} \propto \frac{q e B T_{RF} \sqrt{N}}{m}$$

$N$  = statistics  $\rightarrow$  limited by production

$T_{RF}$  = measurement time  $\rightarrow$  limited by  $T_{1/2}$

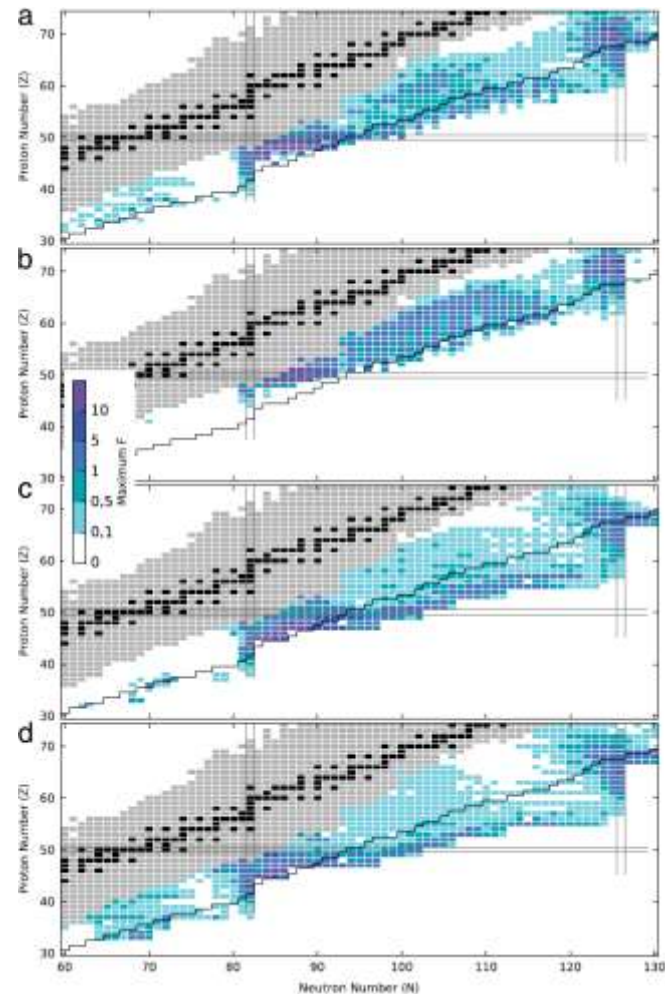
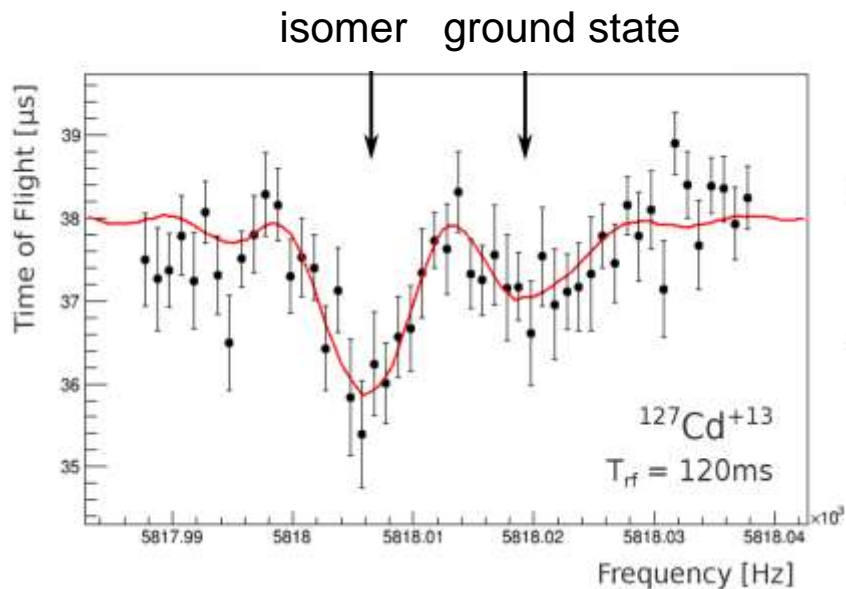
$B$  = magnetic field  $\rightarrow$  limited by technology

$q$  = charge state  $\rightarrow$  limited by  $Z$

(gains also in PI-ICR)

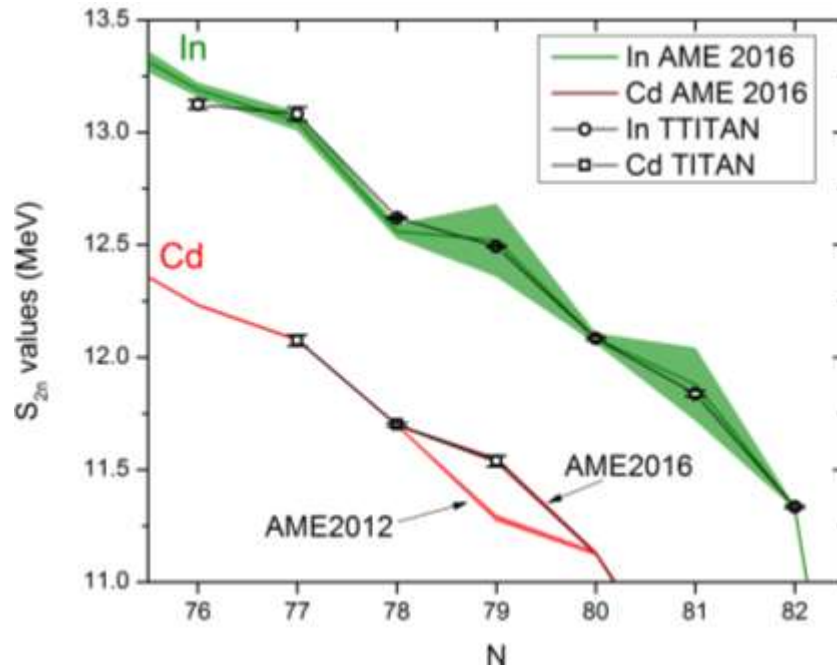
TITAN alone uses highly charged ions for gains in *resolving power*, purification, & more.

# Higher charge states resolved isomers in $A \approx 130$ In and odd- $A \leq 129$ Cd isotopes.





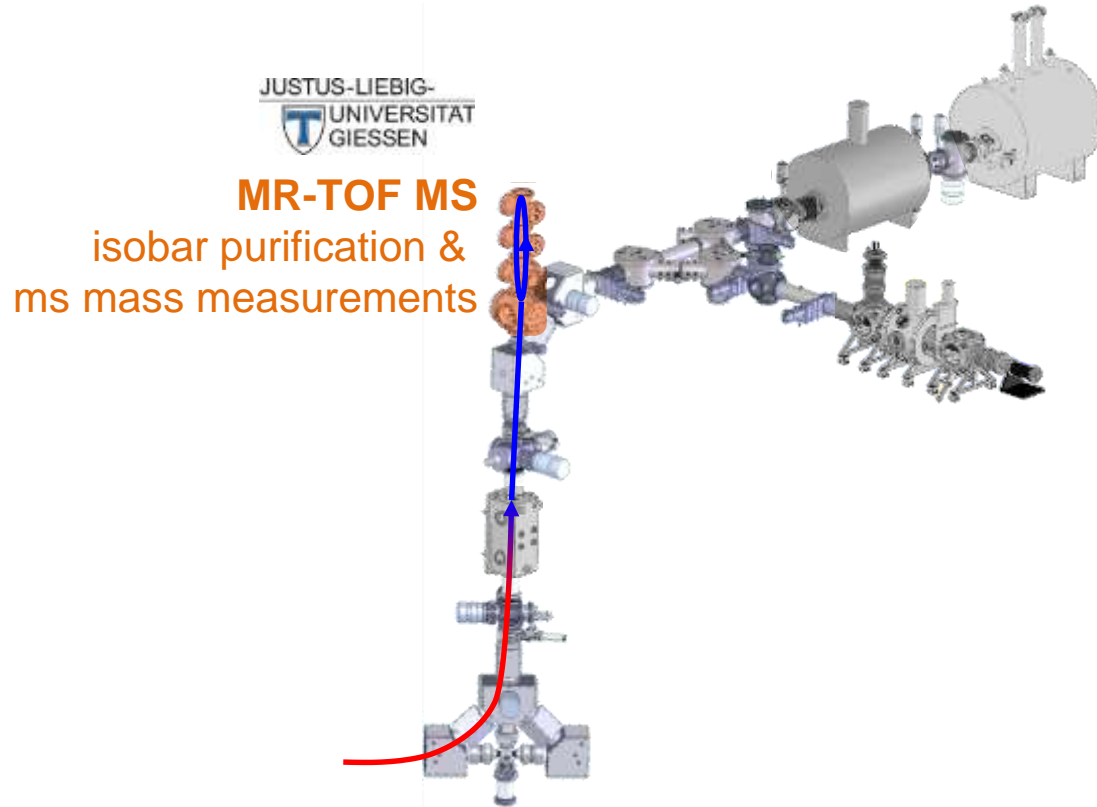
High resolving power is needed to discern the 100s of keV isomers with ground states.





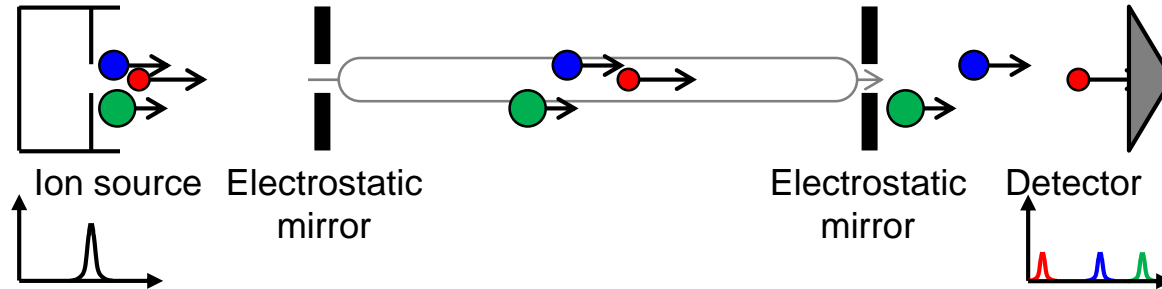
Penning trap mass spectrometry offers  
(usually) higher precision than required.

A less demanding technique  
is the MR-TOF MS.



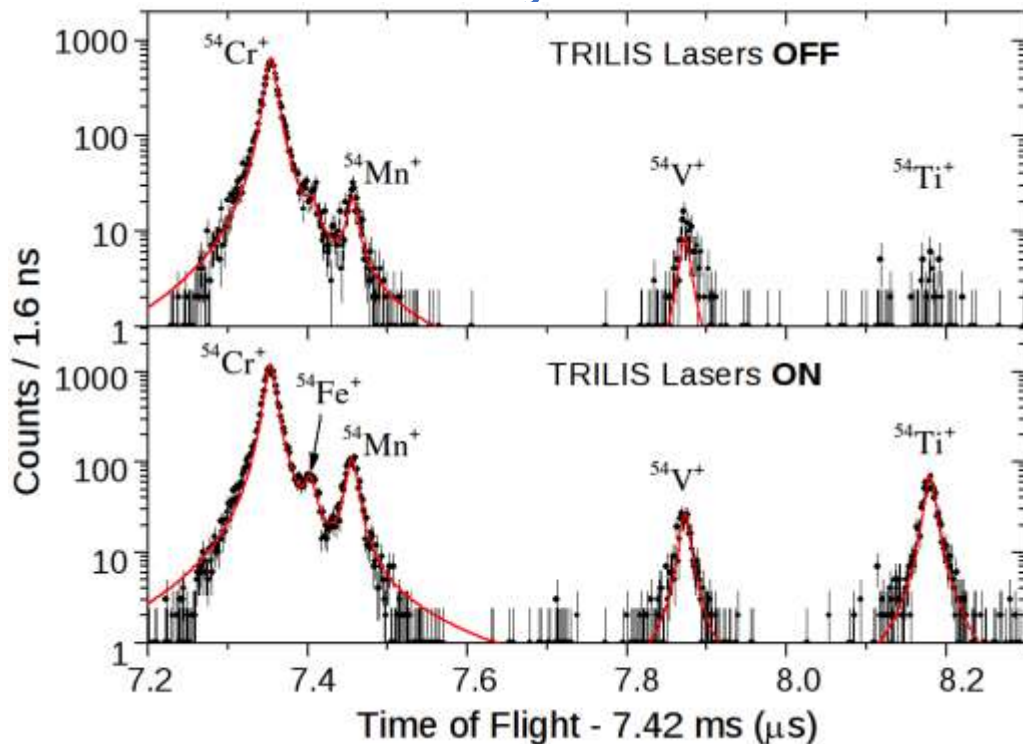
# Multi-Reflection Time-Of-Flight Mass Spectrometers are based on simple kinematics.

$$TOF = \frac{L}{v} = \frac{L}{\sqrt{2E}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{q}} \int \frac{dz}{\sqrt{2V(z)}}$$



Separation increases with flight path  $\rightarrow$  longer path length  
OR multiple passes on same path

# The TITAN MR-TOF was commissioned May 2017.



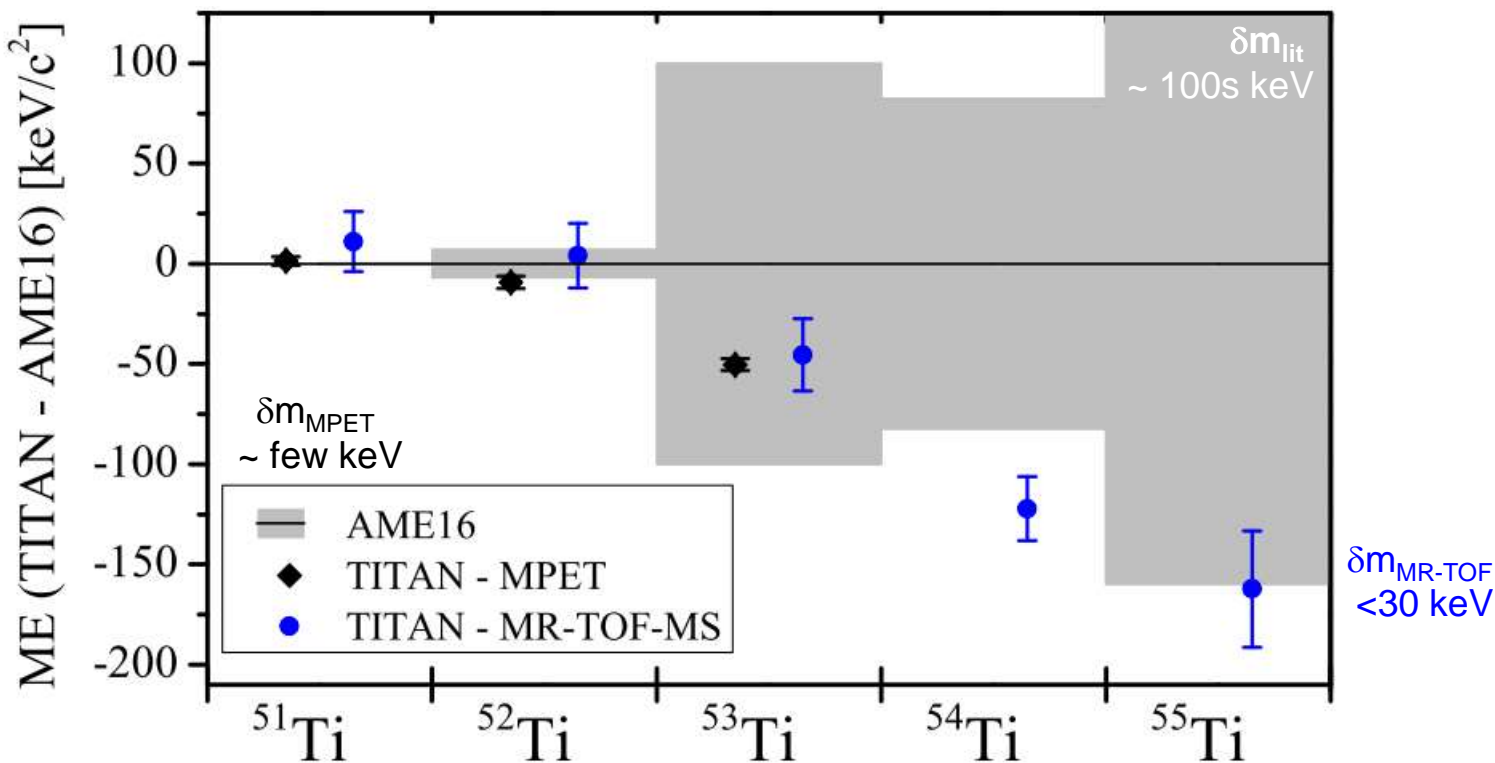
$$\frac{m}{q} = c(t - t_0)^2$$

$c$  = device dependent

$t_0$  = constant offset

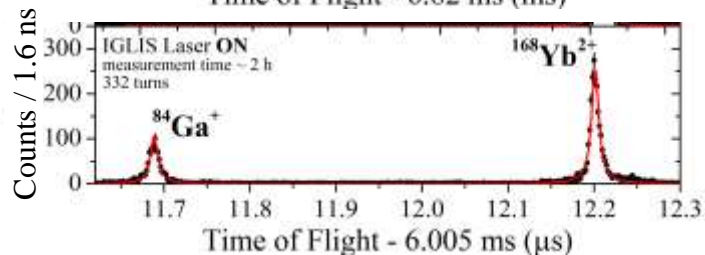
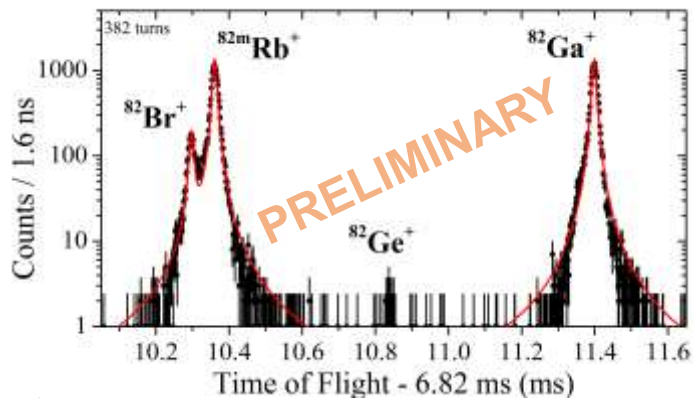
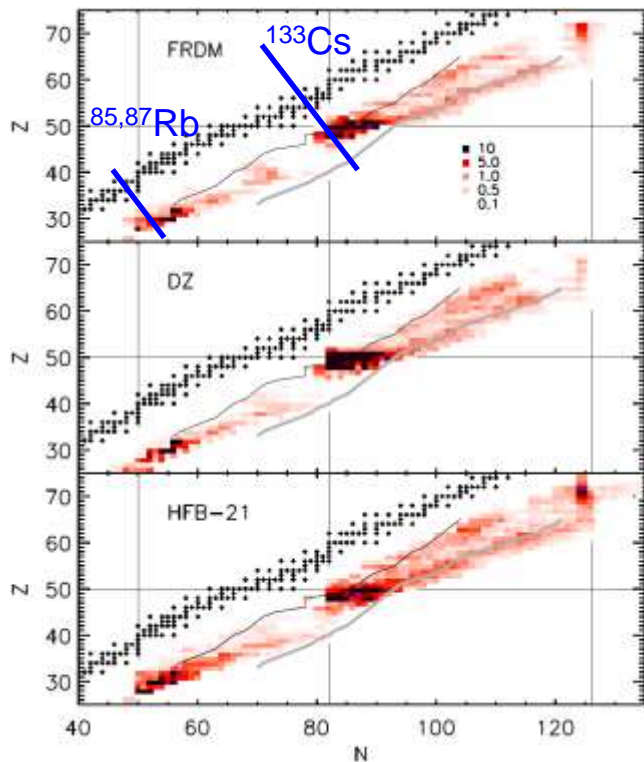
→ mass values can be recalibrated

# MR-TOF offers accuracy & requisite precision.



Back to the r-process ...

# Surface-ionized contaminants (Rb, Cs, lanthanides) pose a significant challenge.



# MR-TOF is well suited for nucleosynthesis studies.

Precisions of  $\delta m/m \sim 10^{-7}$

Sensitivity  $\geq 1$  ion

→ low production yields

Fast ( $\sim 3-10$  ms)

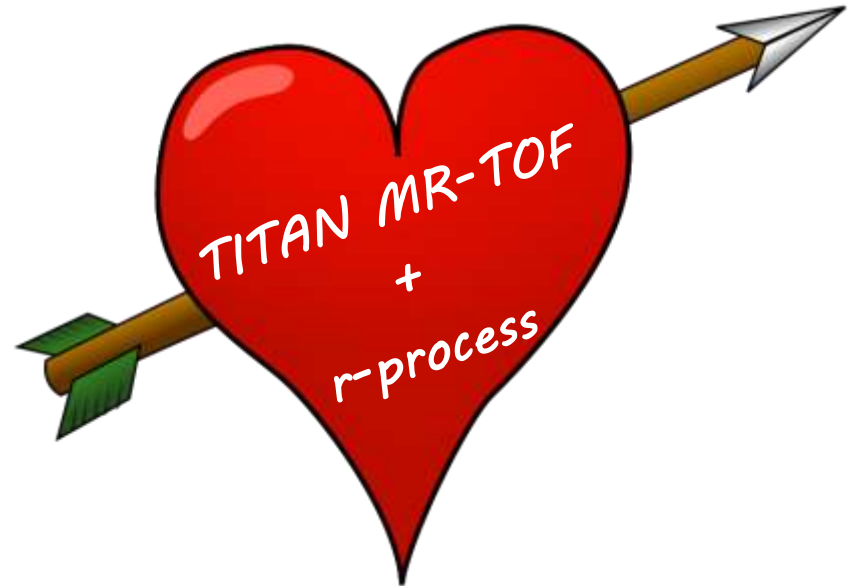
→ short half-lives

→ short experiments

Broadband

→ simultaneous measurements

→ high contaminant rates

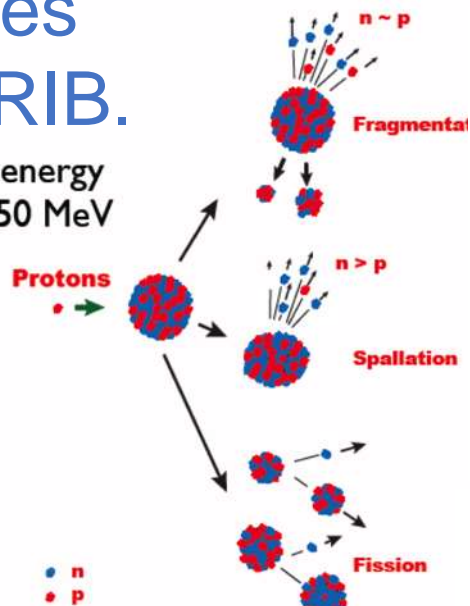




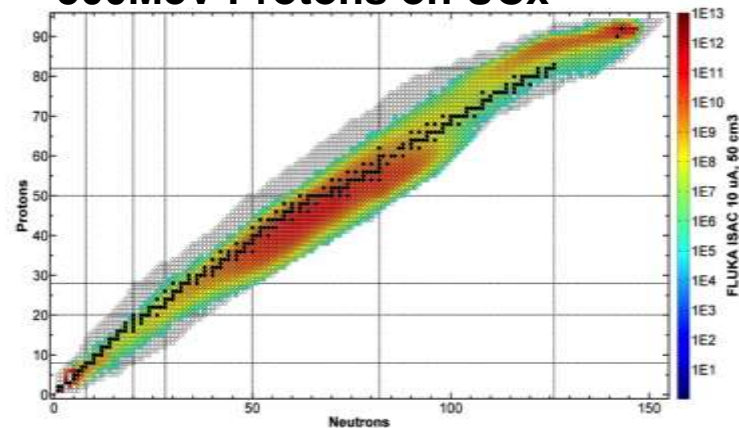
Access to, quality of, & reach of beam are critical.

# Fission produces cleaner n-rich RIB.

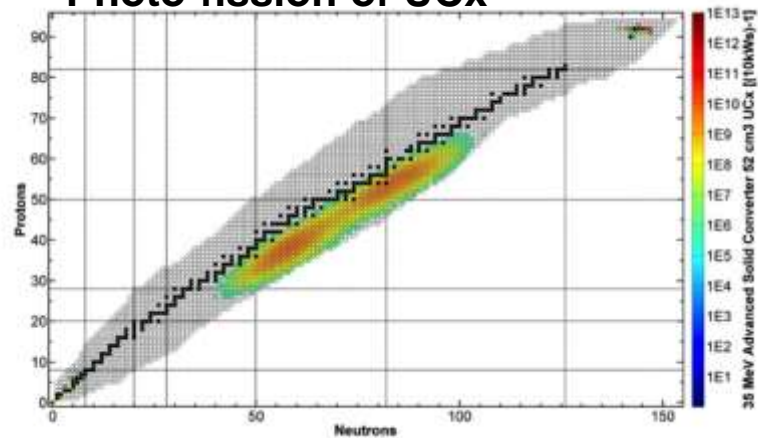
Proton energy above 350 MeV



## 500MeV Protons on UCx

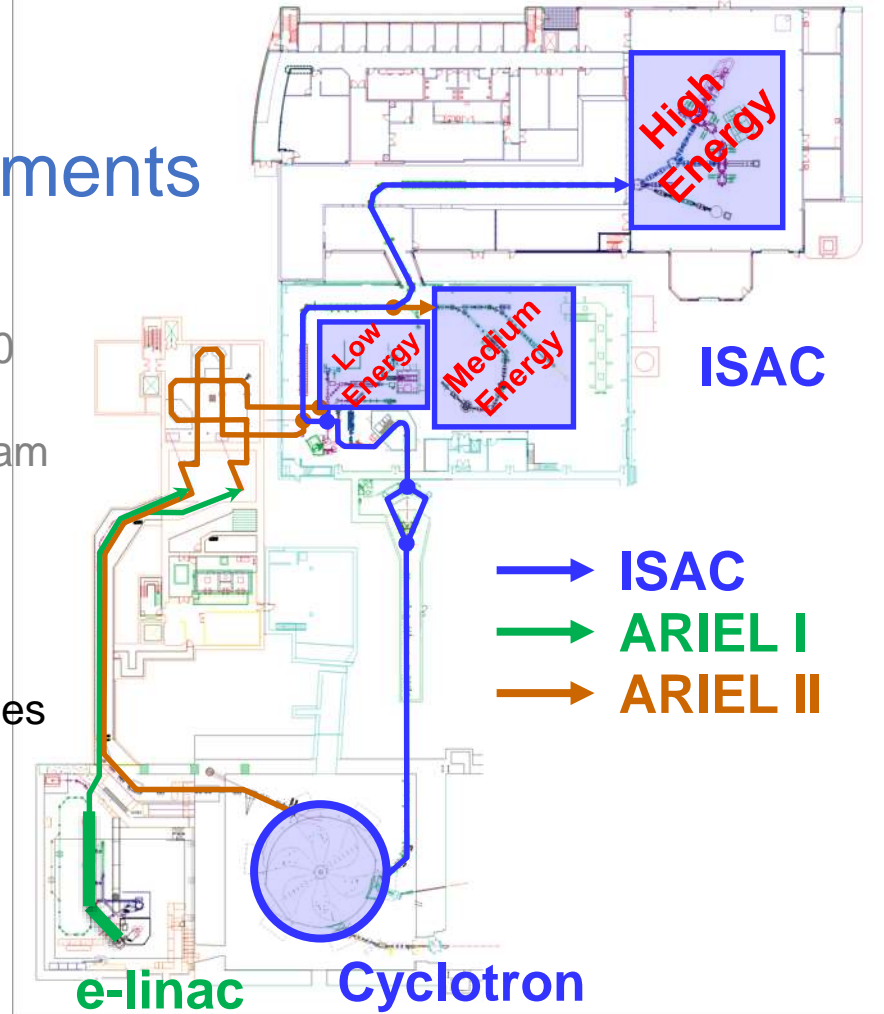


## Photo-fission of UCx

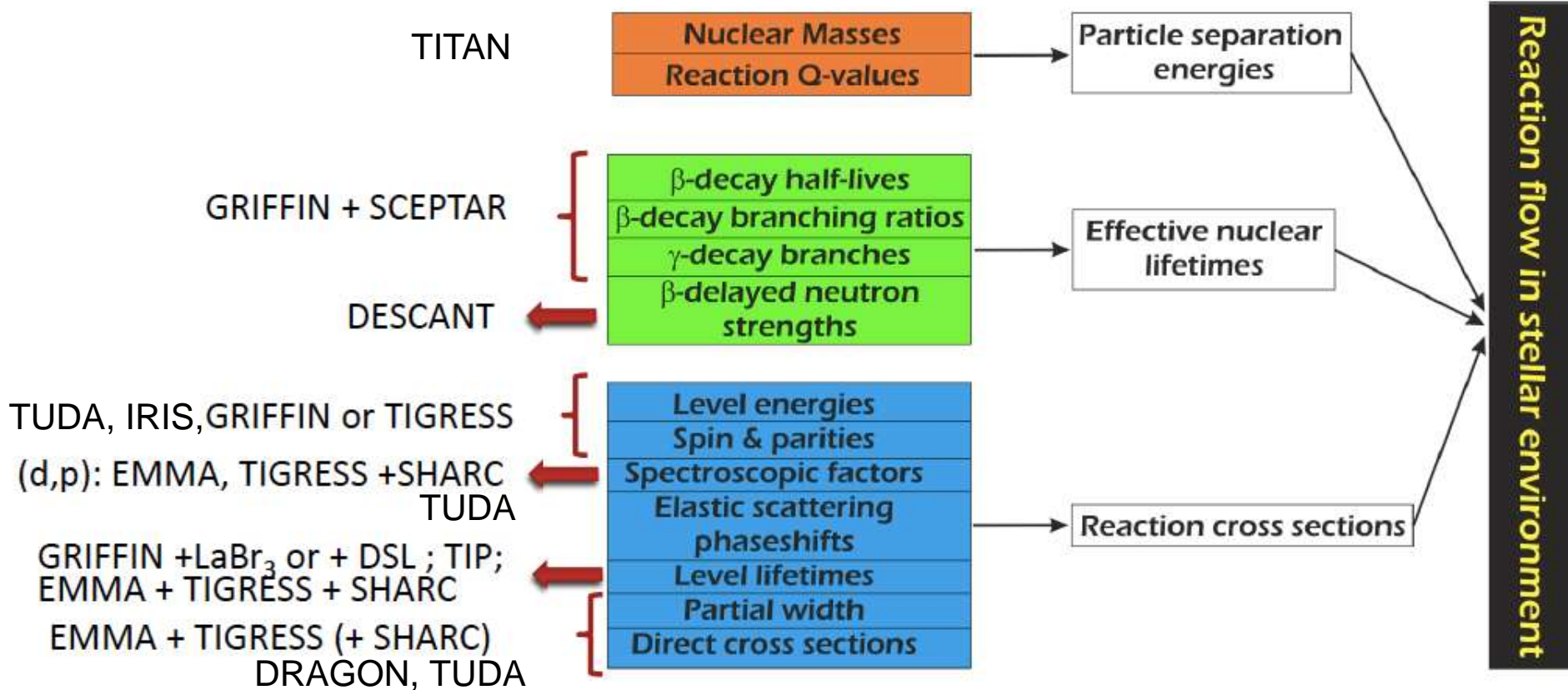


# ISAC + ARIEL = 3 RIBs = 3 experiments

- AETE:  $\leq 100$  kW, 35 MeV, electrons
  - APTW / ITE / ITW:  $\leq 50$  kW, 500 MeV,  $\leq 100$   $\mu$ A protons
  - 2 low energy beams + 1 higher-energy beam
  - > 9000 hours of RIB per year
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- science interwoven with technical milestones
  - 2020 beam to  $\beta$ NMR
  - 2021 photo-fission beam to experiments
  - 2022 ISOL beam to experiments



# ARIEL benefits a suite of “r-process” experiments.



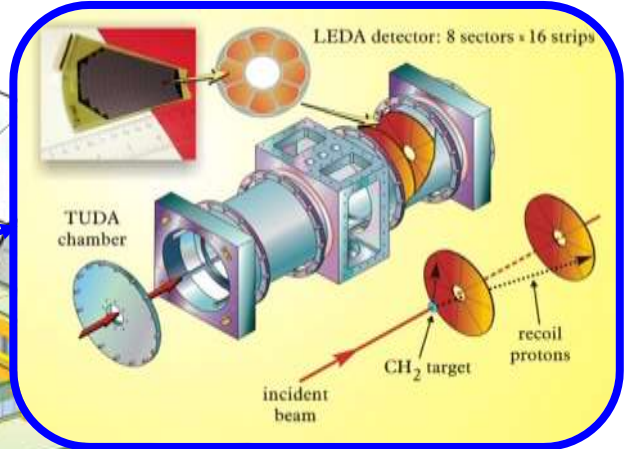
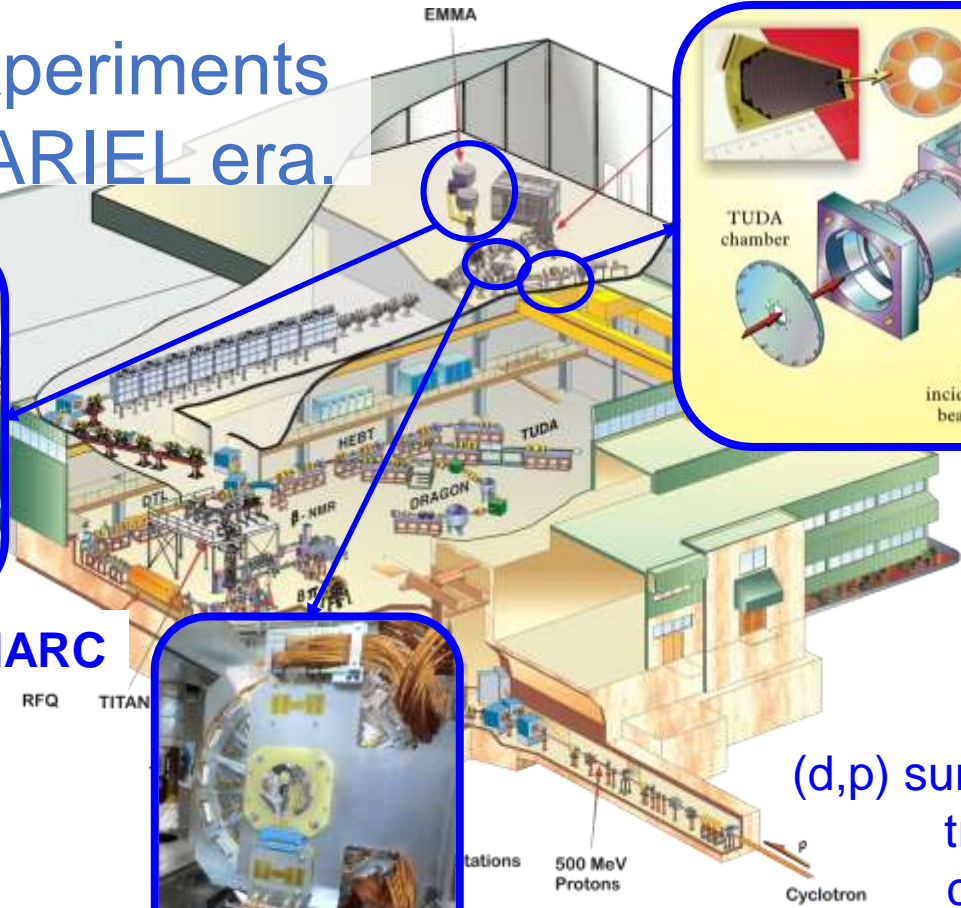
“r-process” experiments ready for the ARIEL era.



EMMA + TIGRESS/SHARC



IRIS

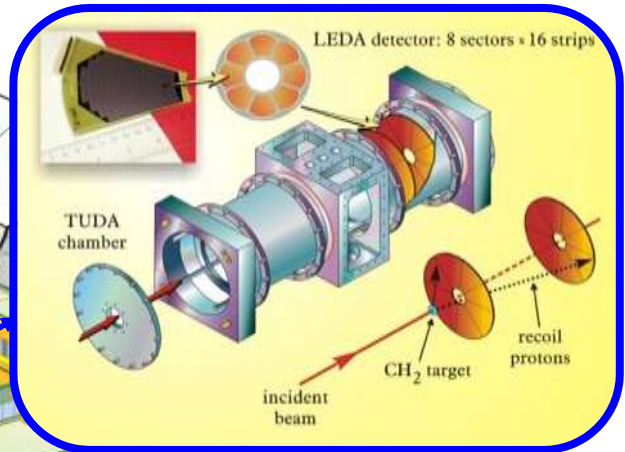
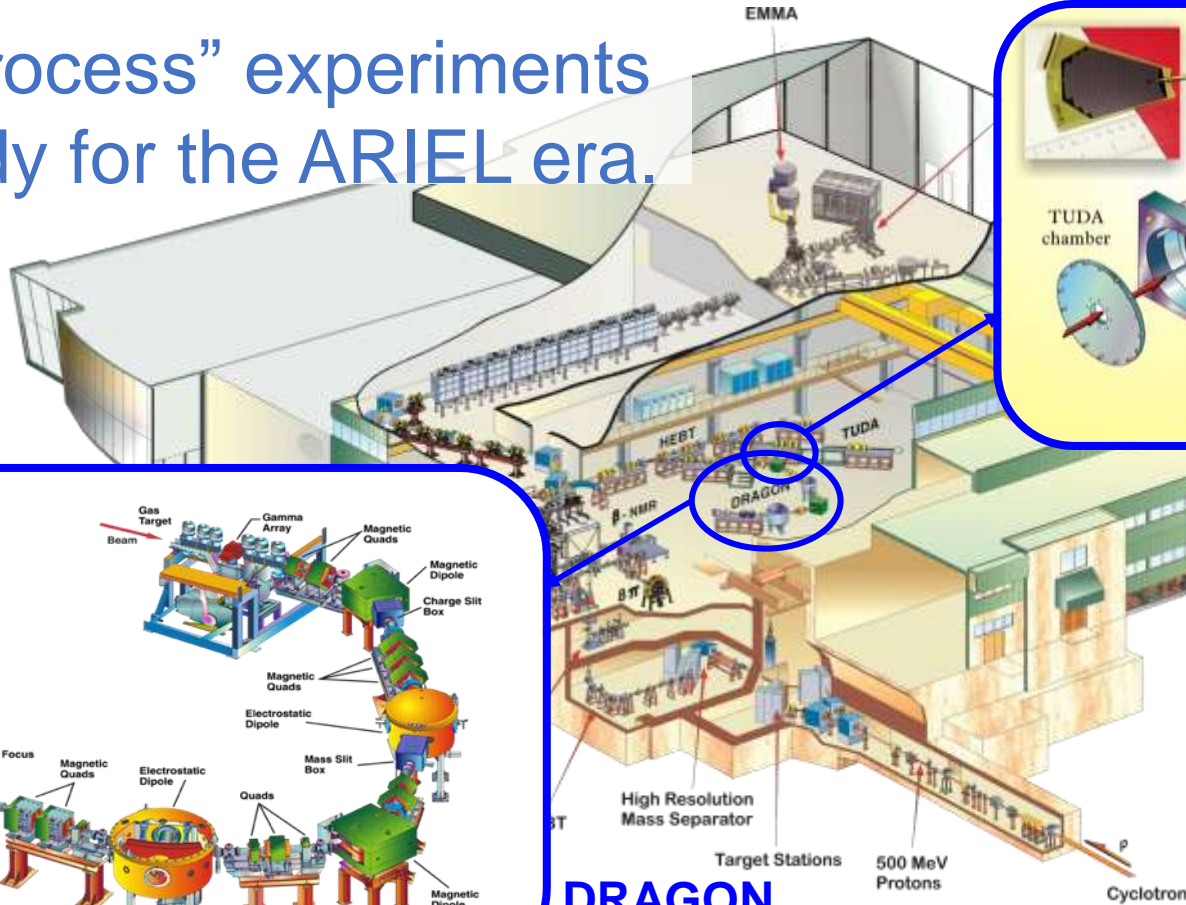


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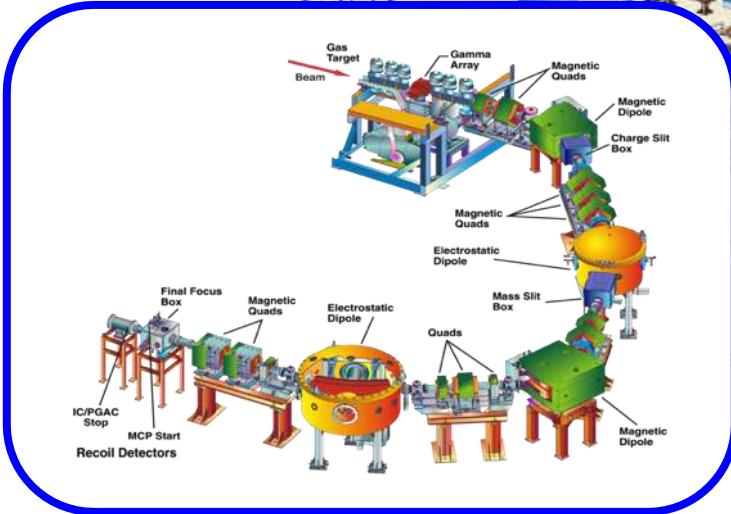
(d,p) surrogate rxns  
transfer rxns  
capture rxns



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**TUDA**  
charged-particle reactions

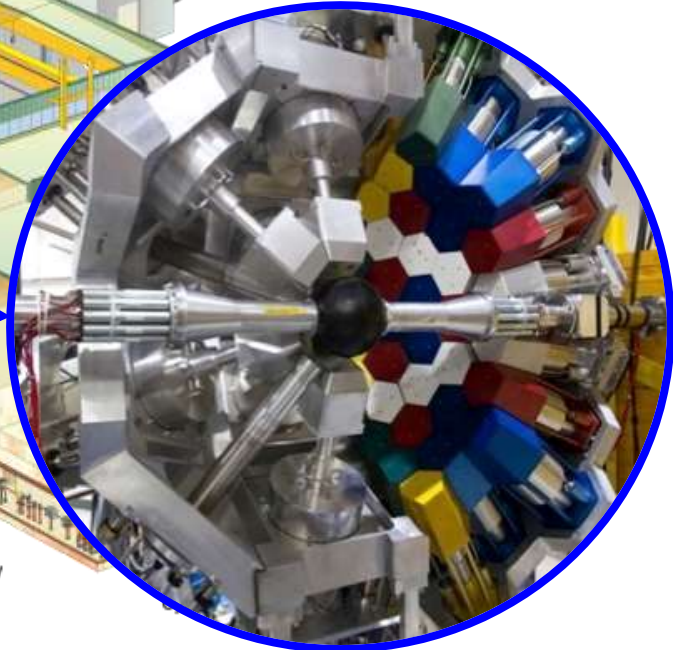
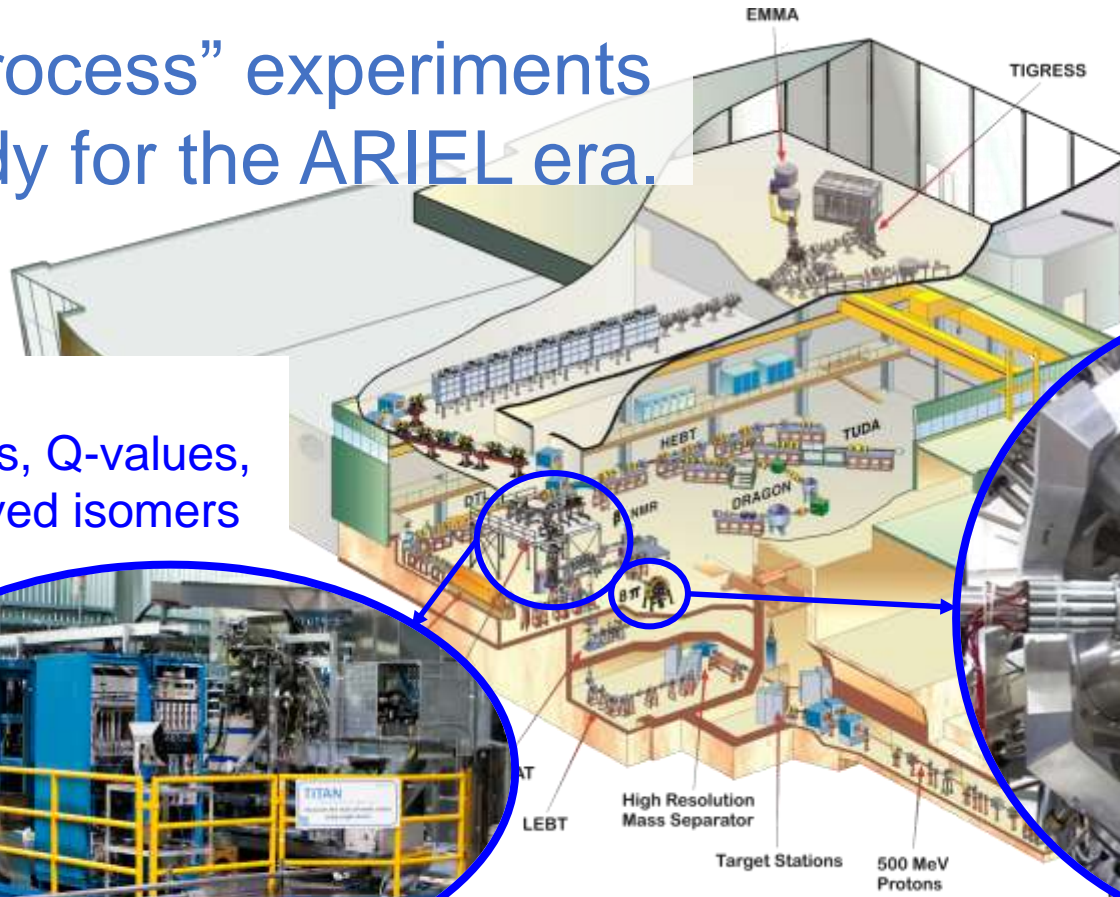


**DRAGON**  
direct capture reactions

“r-process” experiments ready for the ARIEL era.

**TITAN**  
masses, Q-values,  
long-lived isomers

**GRIFFIN +**  
 $\beta$  decay half-lives  
 $\beta n$  branching ratios  
level schemes  
isomers



## TITAN's mass measurements

- Precision (typical  $\delta m \leq 10$ s keV)
- Single-ion sensitivity (MR-TOF)
- Broadband for contaminants (MR-TOF)
- High resolving powers (Penning trap + highly charged ions)

### approach the r-process,

- $\sim^{100}\text{Rb/Sr}$
- $<^{130}\text{Cd/In}$  g.s. and isomers
- $\sim^{85}\text{Ga}$

### & will have better access with ARIEL.

- 2 spallation + 1 fission RIB
- >9000 RIB hours/y
- Increasing use of MR-TOF





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