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# Nuclear Physics: From ISAC to ARIEL

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#### ISAC-TRIUMF is a world-class platform for research excellence.

Nuclear-physics program is built around the questions from the Canadian Subatomic Physics Long Range Plan: - Tuesday

#### Nuclear Structure & Dynamics

- How do quarks and gluons give rise to the hadronic properties and the phases of hadronic matter?
- How does the structure of nuclei emerge from nuclear forces?
- Nuclear Astrophysics
  - How are the elements formed in the Universe?

#### Precision Tests of Fundamental Interactions

- What is the nature of physics at the electroweak scale and beyond?
- What is the nature of neutrino masses?
- (Franke, Mon)



### All RIB experiments within Canada occur at ISAC-TRIUMF.



### **High-energy experiments focus** on reactions & excited states.



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#### IRIS Solid hydrogen target Transfer reactions











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**TIGRESS** In-flight γ-ray spectroscopy + ancillary detectors/tech.

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**EMMA** Mass analyzer for reactions





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# Medium-energy RIB experiments are tuned for Nuclear astrophysically important reactions (0.15-1.8 A MeV).

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Cyclotron



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GRIFFIN

Decay spectroscopy + ancillary detectors







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TRINAT  $\beta$ -v correlations

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### **Strong collaboration with in-house theorists**

**Nuclear Astrophysics** Nuclear Structure & Dynamics **Fundamental Interactions** 



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# ARIEL's multi-user capabilities will empower experiments in nucl. structure, nucl. astrophysics, & fundamental symmetries.

proton spallation yields in uranium target



photo-fission yields in uranium target



 $\rightarrow$  A. Gottberg, Th

### TRIUMF's nuclear astrophysics program in the era of multi-messenger astronomy

**GRIFFIN + ARIES** 

TITAN

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TUDA, IRIS, GRIFFIN, TIGRESS

EMMA, IRIS, TUDA, TIGRESS+SHARC

GRIFFIN +LaBr₃ or DSL; EMMA+TIGRESS+SHARC

DRAGON, TUDA, EMMA

β-decay half-lives β-decay branching ratios  $\gamma$ -decay branches β-delayed neutron strengths Level Energies **Spins & Parities Spectroscopic Factors Elastic Scattering Phase Shifts** Level Lifetimes Partial Widths **Direct Cross Sections** 

Nuclear Masses

**Reaction Q-values** 

Particle Separation Energy

Effective Nuclear Lifetimes

**Reaction Cross Section** 

Reaction Flow in Stellar Environment

#### **Top Research Highlights**

- 7s →8s transition of francium measured & compared to ab-initio theory, FrANPC, PRA 2018
- The proton dripline at the N=8 shell closure, IRIS + theory, PRC 2019
- Direct measurement <sup>17</sup>O(α, γ) & impact on heavy nucleosynthesis, DRAGON, PLB 2019
- Shape coexistence in neutron-deficient Pb isotopes, GRIFFIN, PRC 2019
- 1<sup>st</sup> measurement of Gamow window of <sup>76</sup>Se(α,γ) for γ-process, DRAGON, PLB 2020.
- Masses of neutron-rich Ga and neutron-star merger calculations, TITAN, PRC 2020
- Development of time-reversal test in beta decay, TRINAT, DAMOP 2020
- L/K capture ratio of <sup>7</sup>Be directly measured, BeEST (Colorado School of Mines), PRL 2020
- CoulEx of A=23 mirror pair & systematics of ab-initio E2 strength, TIGRESS + theory, arxiv 2020
- β decay of <sup>132</sup>In and Spectroscopy of <sup>132</sup>Sn and <sup>131</sup>Sb, GRIFFIN, accepted in PRC
- Spectroscopy of <sup>8</sup>He and new N = 6 shell , IRIS + theory, submitted
- Magicity of neutron-rich Sc at N=34, TITAN + theory, submitted to PRL

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← Franke, Mon← Leach, Th

# **Reaction Spectroscopy @ IRIS**

#### N = 8 shell @ proton drip-line (<sup>20</sup>Mg)



#### N = 6 shell @ neutron drip-line (<sup>8</sup>He)

Deformation discovered in <sup>8</sup>He



M. Holl, R. Kanungo, et al. submitted to journal

#### Search for 0<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> state in <sup>94</sup>Kr

- <sup>93</sup> Kr(d,p) reaction first study
- only ~200 pps: pioneering accomplishment of lowenergy reaction with such low-intensity radioactive ion beam

D. Walter, et al. in preparation

# **Regina Cube for Multiple Particles (RCMP)**

Beam

- New auxiliary detector for GRIFFIN
  - Charged particle detector
  - α decay and β delayed particles
  - Multiple particles (β2p, βαp, …)
  - Nuclear structure and astrophysics
- 6 DSSD detectors (micron BB7)
  - Active area: 64 x 64 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 6 x (32+32) strips = 384 channels
  - Thickness: 1mm (12 MeV protons)
  - Geometric efficiency ~80%
  - Fits inside GRIFFIN target chamber
- CFI JELF Project (Regina)
  - Gwen Grinyer (PI)
  - Total award: \$130k
  - Anticipated completion: 2022



# A major upgrade of the SCEPTAR beta-tagging array for GRIFFIN

Victoria Vedia, Rashmi Umashankar, Adam Garnsworthy, Max Winokan, Kurtis Raymond Miles Constable, Daryl Bishop (Electronics design), Shaun Georges (Mechanical design)

#### New ARIES beta-tagging array enables:

- Counting of high source activities ~20MBq with ~90% solid-angle coverage.
- Beta-gamma angular correlations with >50 unique angles.
- Beta-gamma fast coinc. timing (few ps) with LaBr<sub>3</sub>(Ce) detectors (x2 eff. increase over ZDS).
- Easy and economical replacement of detectors contaminated with long-lived activity.

Geometry optimized for GRIFFIN with 1 beta paddle for each HPGe crystal, + 8 triangles + 4 downstream = (36 US)+(40 DS) = 76 total channels

- 1.5mm thick BC422Q ultra-fast plastic scintillator.
- Laser-etching to optically-segment scintillators and prevent light loss.
- Light read-out using SiPM sensors printed on flexible circuit board ~50µm thickness and held in place with a 3D-printed support structure will provide energy and fast-timing signal.
- Processing using 500MHz, 12-bit digitizers in the GRIFFIN DAQ.

#### **First experiments anticipated in 2022**

Slide courtesy of A. Garnsworthy, TRIUMF, Aug. 2020





Prototype preamplifier electronics build and tested.







# **DRAGON: from Big Bang Nucleosynthesis to supernovae**



- Direct meas. in Gamow window for <sup>22</sup>Ne(α,γ) (557 keV resonance)
- ωγ(704keV) ~3x lower than literature

# First direct ( a,n) measurement with recoil separator!



 (α, n) strength for E<sub>x</sub>=11.32 MeV resonance is a key uncertainty in <sup>22</sup>Ne(α, n)<sup>25</sup>Mg rate at stellar temp.

- $^7Be(\alpha,\gamma)^{11}C$  (collab. with McMaster Univ.)
- Investigated effect on p-nuclei production in core-collapse SN
   First direct meas. of 2 resonance with previously unknown strengths
- Significantly reduced reaction rate uncertainty at vp-process temperatures!



#### <sup>3</sup>He+a with SONIK

(collab. With Colorado School of Mines & Ohio Univ.)  $^{\rm 24}$ 

- <sup>3</sup>He(α,γ)<sup>7</sup>Be: Key reaction in BBN & solar ν physics
- Elastic scat. cross-sec. essential for theoretical & phenomenological understanding of <sup>3</sup>He(α,γ)<sup>7</sup>Be





 9 energies, including lowest energy at E<sub>cm</sub> = 0.4 MeV thus far



## **DRAGON & TUDA: from this 5YP into the ARIEL era**

- DRAGON → unique versatility and sensitivity... currently the only fully-operating astrophysical recoil separator at a RIB facility
- Currently, either:
  - 1. -Pioneering measurements. i.e. low-signal, largeuncertainty measurement of reaction hitherto inaccessible (weak RIBs, low energy stable beam) or
  - 2. -Precision measurements, i.e. high intensity stable beam, smaller more controlled systematics than normal kinematics
- (1) is considered 'incomplete' reaction study → future study needed
- Limitation is *beam-time competition* (1-2 weeks RIB per year.. Only enough time to measure one (dominant) resonance)
- ARIEL 3x beam will make possible RIB experiments of several weeks:
  - → complete, comprehensive measurements of  $(p,\gamma)$   $(\alpha,\gamma)$  reactions with reduced systematics
  - → highly competitive with underground facilities, almost matching luminosity with high-intensity SIB + superior background rejection

Near future: (5YP)

- Addition of LaBr<sub>3</sub> array to improve DRAGON sensitivity 10-fold (determine resonance energy, required precisiod, 10x less statistics)
  - $\rightarrow$  Also used as ancillary detectors in TUDA and EMMA  $\rightarrow$  G. Christian, Th for other astro ancillary detectors
- Usage of GRIFFIN HPGe clovers @DRAGON enable low-energy measurements disentangling nuclear structure effects, e.g. *proton halo subthreshold states*
- Beam time arguments also apply to TUDA, SONIK facility, where experiments are limited simply by integrated beam on target → enhanced reach, sensitivity
- Note: CANREB promising to enable massive beams to DRAGON, e.g. <sup>35,37</sup>Ar → Opens up *rp*-process studies

# Emergence & quenching of N=32,34 shells shells via TITAN mass spectrometry of Ca, Sc, Ti, and V.



Nucleons occupy stable configurations (shells)

which may evolve as Z/N grows unstable.



# **TITAN** mass-spectrometry upgrades are focused on sensitivity and precision.



#### Multi-Reflection Time-Of-Flight Mass Separator

- Non-scanning  $\rightarrow$  sensitivity
- Broadband → more measurements/time
- MRS & "re-trapping" technique → better purification
- δm/m ~10<sup>-7</sup>, ioi/cont. ~1:10<sup>5</sup>, sensitivity <0.01 pps</li>



#### Measurement Penning trap

- Implementing new phase-imaging ion-cyclotronresonance technique → precision, resolving power, sensitivity
- Cryogenic upgrade for longer measurement times at high charge states for both techniques
   → precision, resolving power
- Present:  $\delta m/m \sim 10^{-9}$ , ioi/cont.  $\sim 1:10^{3}$ , sens.  $\sim 10$



MR-TOF: S. Beck, et al., in preparation; A. Jacobs, MSc, UBC 2020; E. Dunling, PhD work; MR-TOF spectrum: E. Leistenschneider, submitted to PRL; MPET: E. Leistenschneider, PhD, UBC 2019; M. Lykiardopoulou, PhD work; PI-ICR image: S. Eliseev, *et al.* PRL 110 (2013) 082501

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## Nuclear physics at ISAC is at the forefront.

- State-of-the-art experimental facilities investigate and, with ARIEL, will push the boundaries to study
  - Unified theory of nuclei, evolution of nuclear shells, 3N forces, etc.
    - Reactions along the proton and neutron driplines @ IRIS
    - Masses at N=32,34 @ TITAN
  - Nucleosynthesis from H burning to r-process, multi-messenger astronomy
    - Reactions to probe element production from Big Bang to core-collapse supernovae
      @ DRAGON
  - Precision tests for physics beyond the Standard Model → Franke, Mon
- Breakthroughs are facilitated through continued interplay between cuttingedge experiments and theory.

### **Preparations for the ARIEL era are underway.**

- Experimental upgrades are being completed or developed to achieve
  - Higher sensitivity
  - Higher-rate capabilities
  - Reduce systematics
  - Improved detection systems: EXACT-TPC @ IRIS, ARIES & RCMP @ GRIFFIN, PI-ICR @ TITAN, neutron det. @ TUDA & EMMA ← G. Christian, Th
  - Polarized beams Dunsinger, Wed

#### Nuclear-physics experiments need





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