



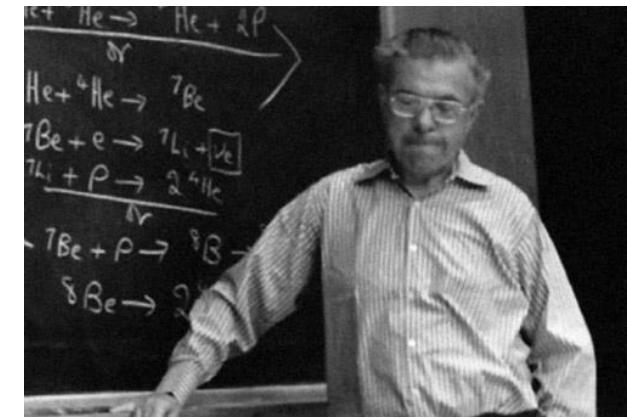
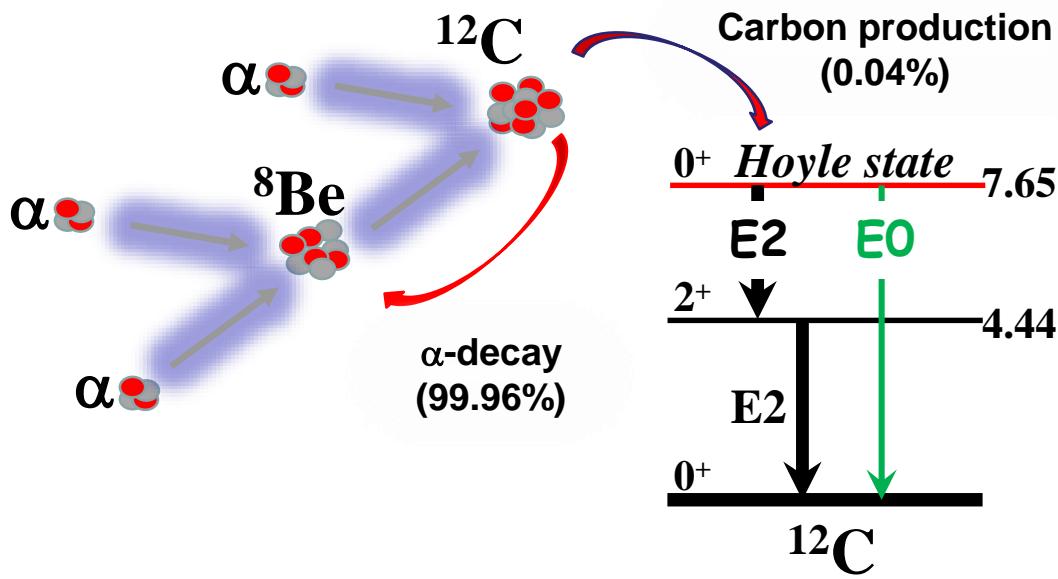
Direct determination of the radiative width of the Hoyle state from pair conversion

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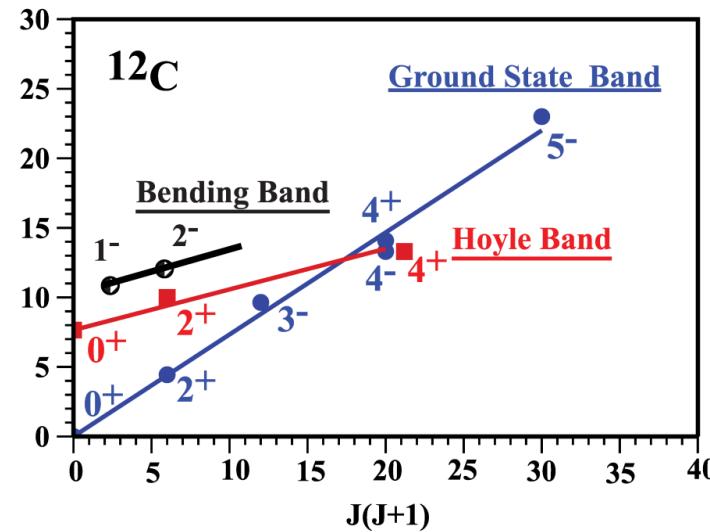
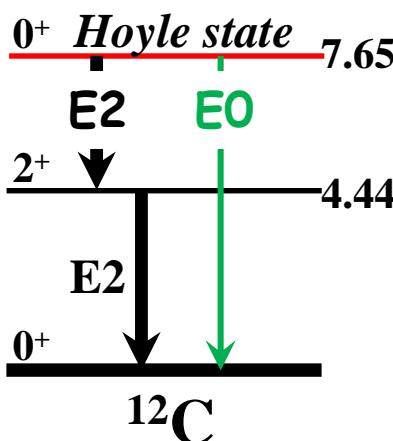
The triple- α process in stellar He burning



Sir Fred Hoyle (1915-2001)



The structure of the Hoyle state

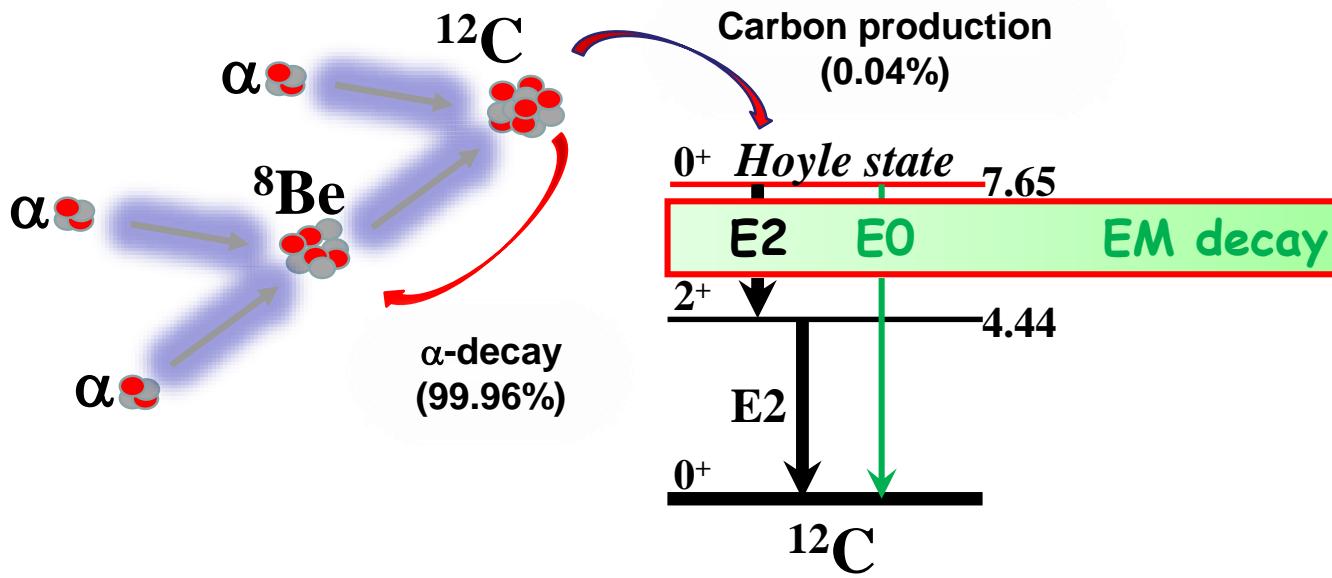


D.J. Marín-Lámbarri, et al., PRL 113 (2014) 012502

- $\Gamma(0_2)=9.3(9)$ eV; $T_{1/2}(0_2)=3.5(3) \times 10^{-17}$ s
- "Extended object" (Brink 1966)
 $\text{RMS}=2.89(4)$ fm = 1.2^* RMS(g.s.)
PRC 80 (2009) 054603
- $\rho^2(E0)=500(81)$ ADNDT 89 (2005) 77
- 2^+ at 9.8 MeV
Nucl. Phys. A738, (2004) 268; *Phys. Rev. C* 84 (2011) 054308; 80 (2009) 041303(R); 84 (2011) 027304; 86 (2012) 034320; *PRL* 113 (2014) 012502
- 4^+ at 13.3 MeV
Phys. Rev. C 83 (2011) 034314
- 0_3^+ at 10.3 MeV; $\Gamma(0_3)=2.7$ MeV
Nucl. Phys. A738, (2004) 268
- Microscopic α -cluster model /exp
 $E(0_2)-E_{3\alpha}=0.23$ / 0.38 MeV
 $\Gamma(0_2)=7.6$ / $9.3(9)$ μeV
 $M(E0)=6.3$ / $5.4(2)$ fm^2
Yasuro Funaki, *Phys. Rev. C* 94 (2016) 024344



The triple- α rate in stellar He burning



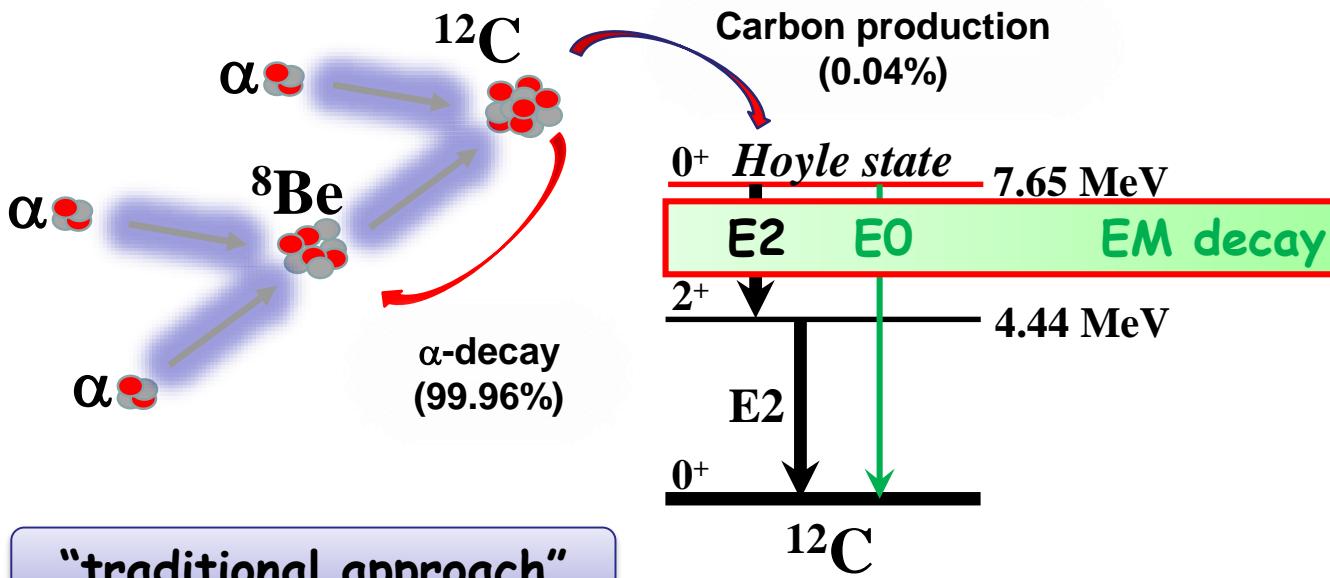
The rate per unit volume for the triple- α reaction

(Rolfs and Rodney, 1988)

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Determining the triple- α rate



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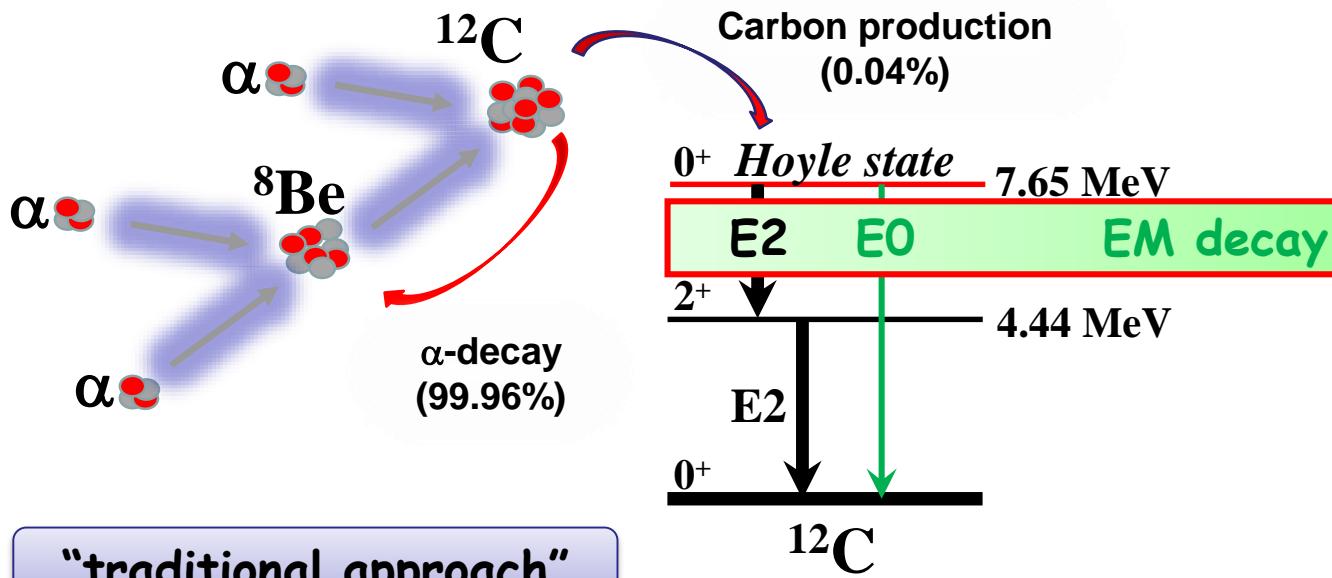
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Γ_{rad} could not be measured directly!



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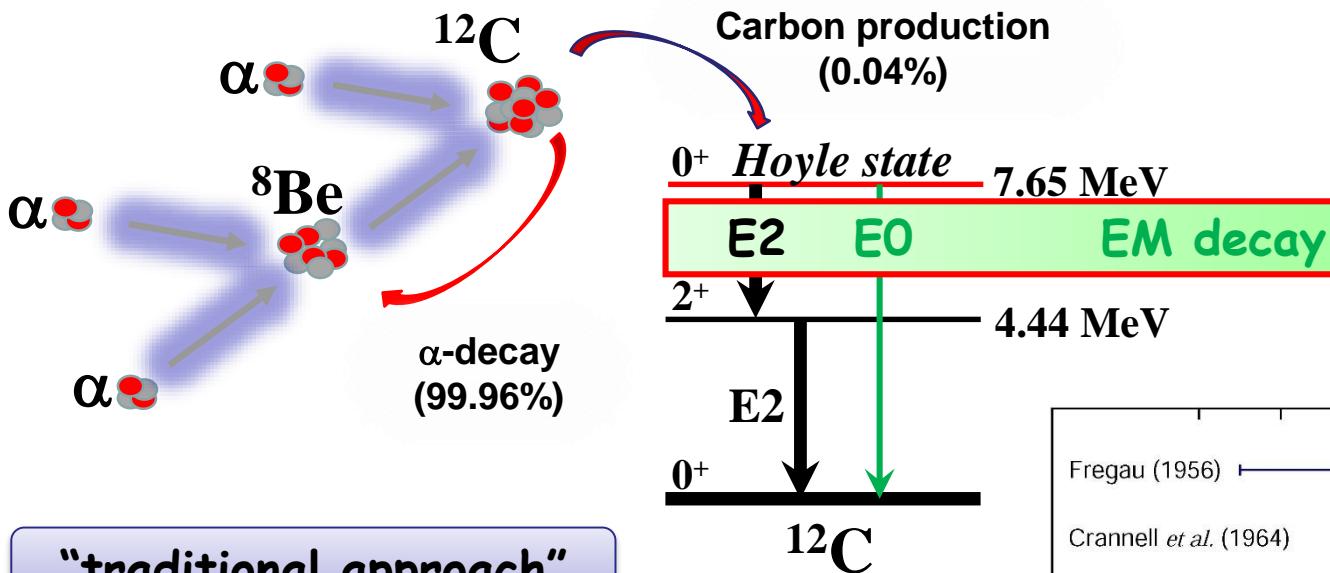
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$\Gamma_{rad} = 3.9(4) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$
EM branching: 0.042%

Unc. [%]	# exp
$\Gamma_{rad}/\Gamma (\times 10^{-4})$	4.19(11)
$\Gamma_{\pi}(E0)/\Gamma (\times 10^{-6})$	6.7(6)
$\Gamma_{\pi}(E0) (\mu\text{eV})$	62.3(20)



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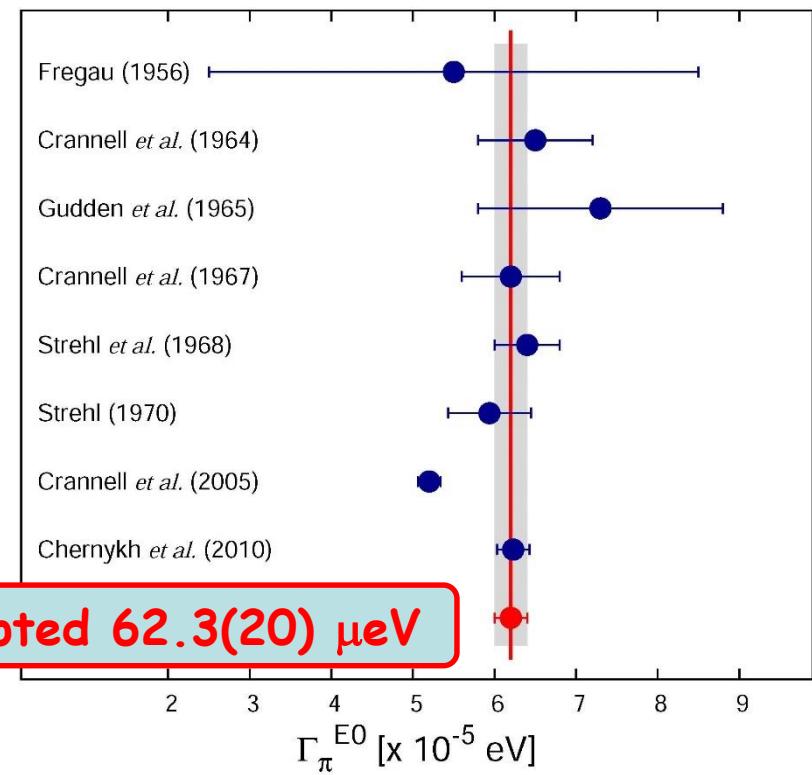


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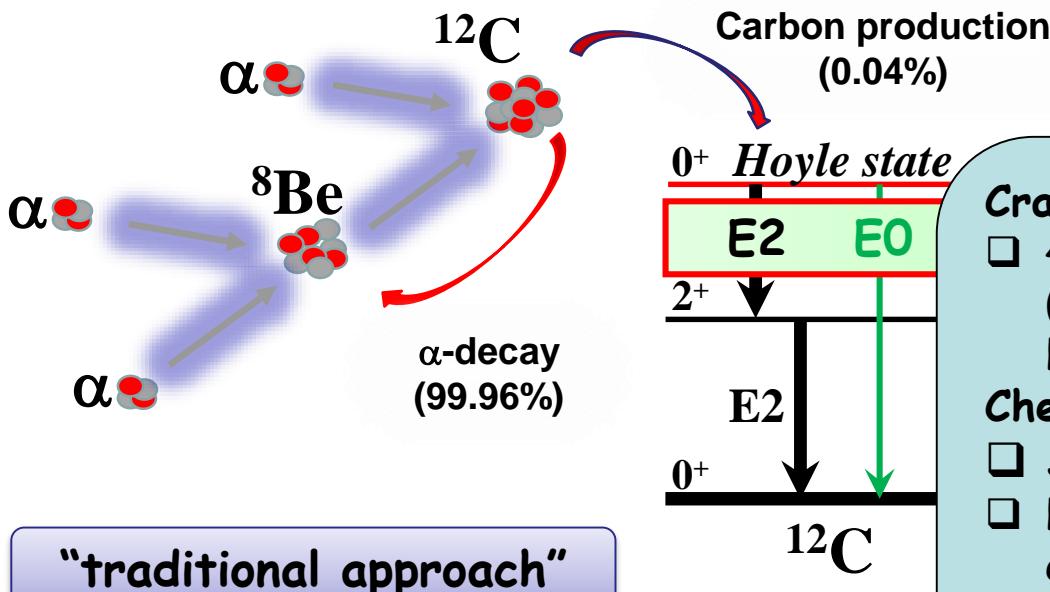
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Crannell et al NP A785 (2005) 399c

- 4 data sets from different labs
(Darmstadt, Bates-CUA, NIKHEF-K,
HEPL)

Chernykh et al. PRL 105 (2010) 022501

- S-DALINAC Darmstadt
- High-resolution low momentum transfer experiment
- Model independent and traditional analysis

Strehl et al. (1968)

Strehl (1970)

Crannell et al. (2005)

Chernykh et al. (2010)

Discrepant by 6 σ

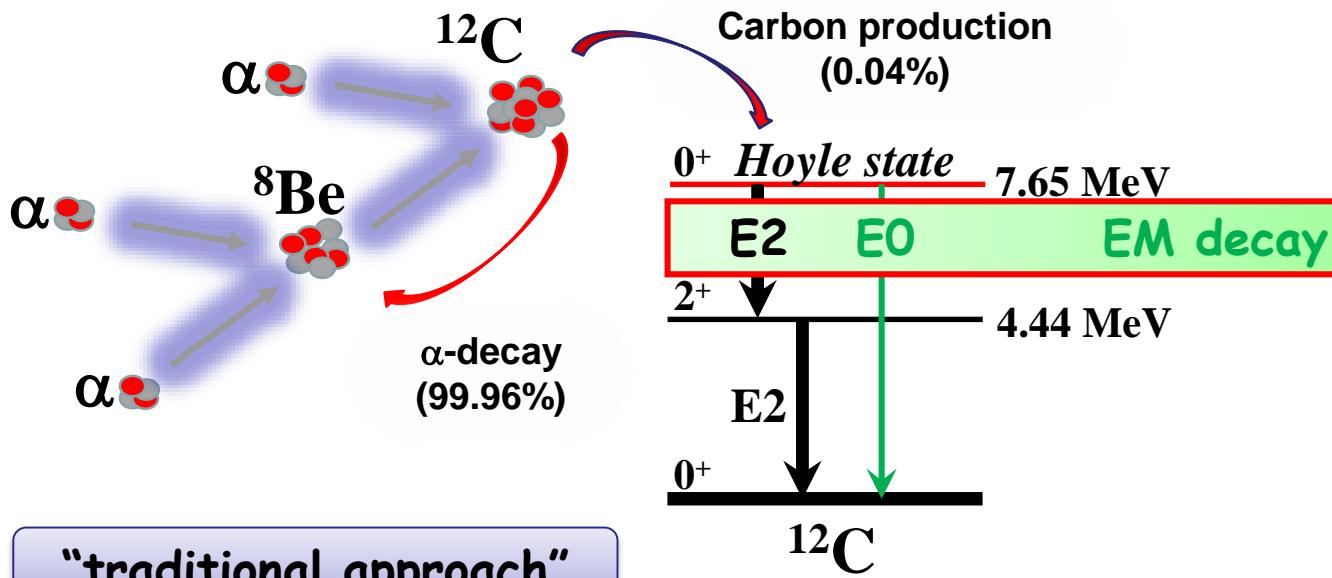
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$\Gamma_\pi^{E0} [x 10^{-5} \text{ eV}]$



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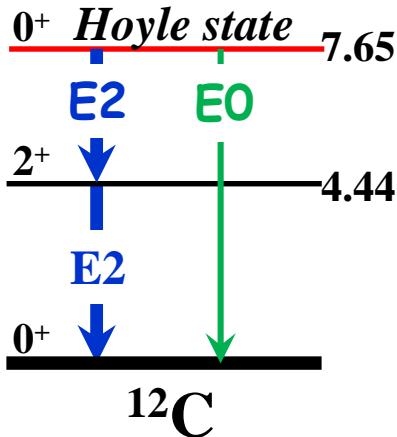
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$$\boxed{\Gamma_{rad}/\Gamma = 4.19(11) \times 10^{-4} \quad (8 \text{ experiments})}$$



$\Gamma_{\text{rad}}/\Gamma$ from p- γ - γ coincidences

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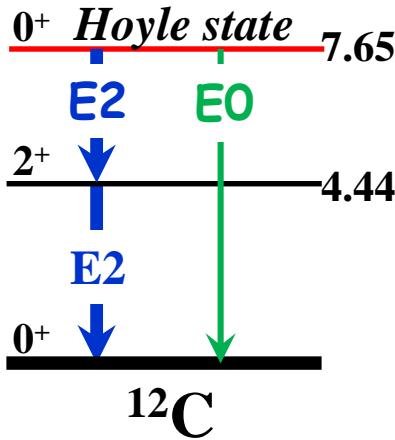
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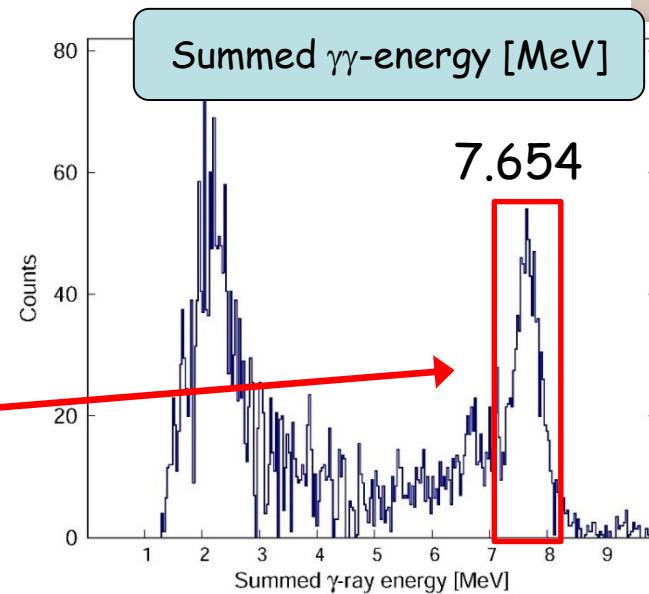
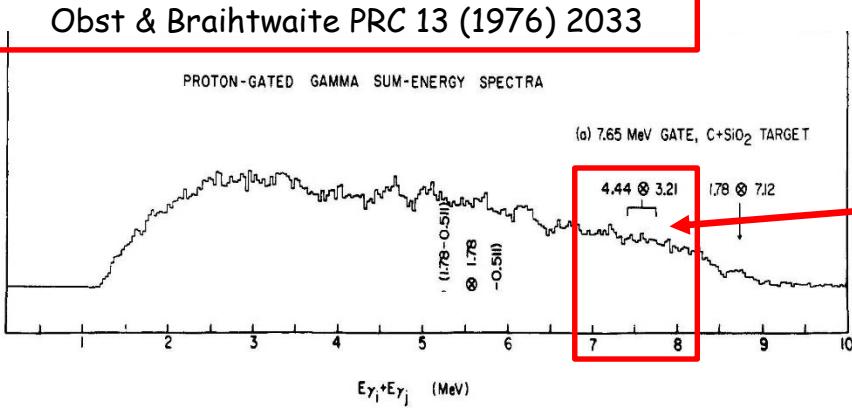
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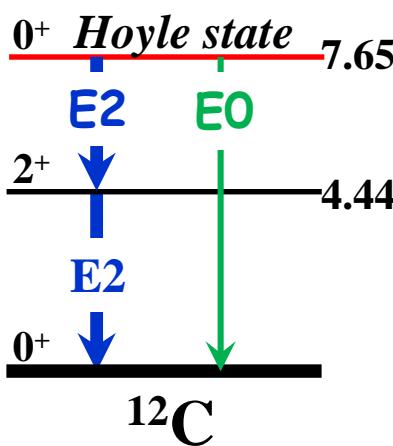
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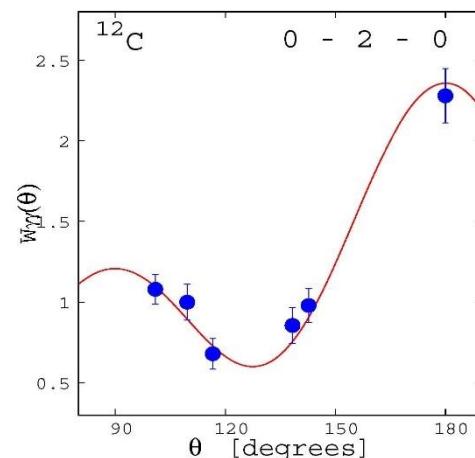
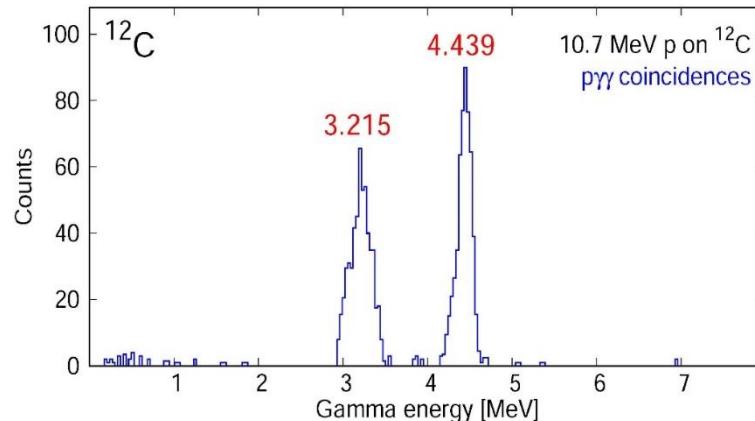
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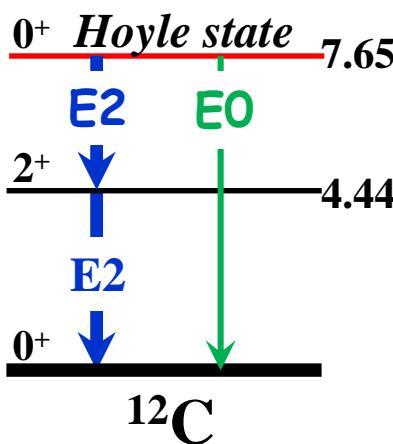
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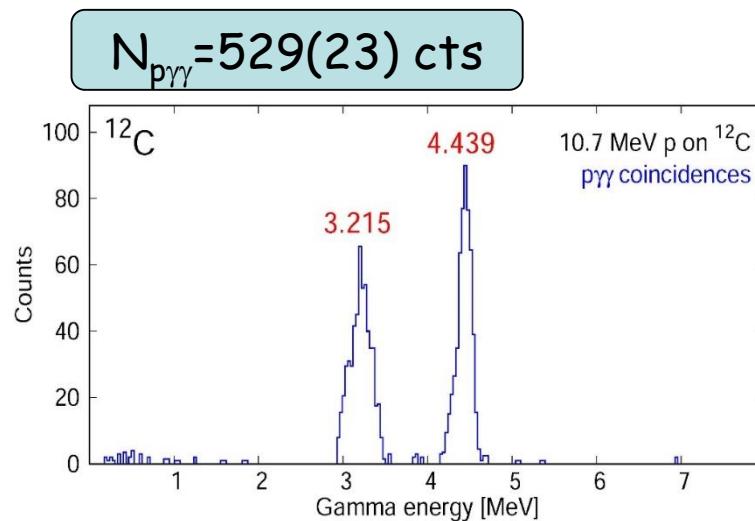


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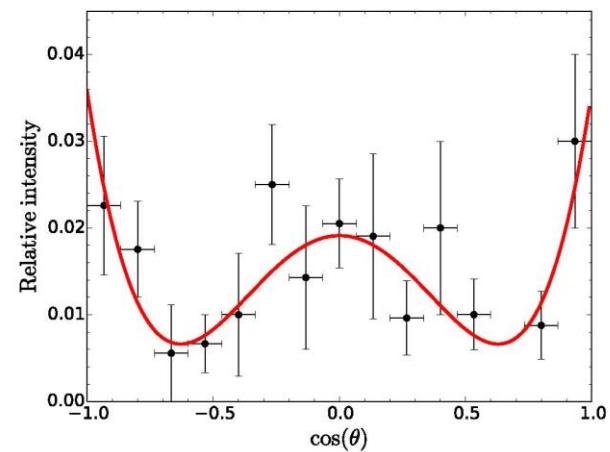
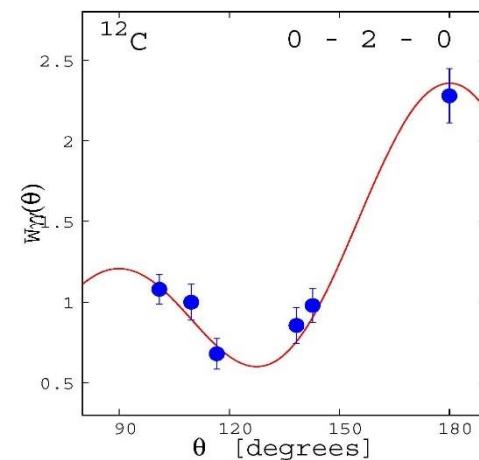
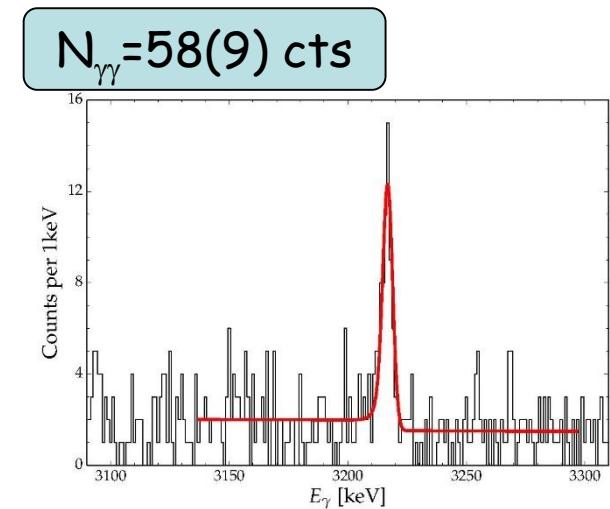
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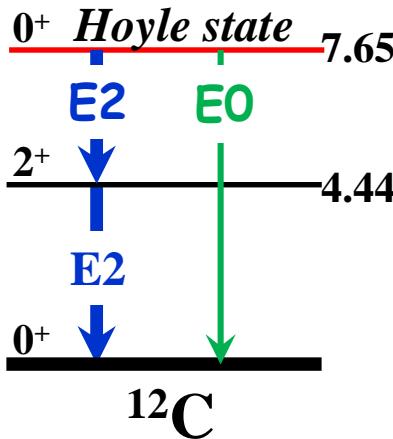
Munich et al., PRC 93 (2016) 065803
 ^{12}B β^- decay, $\gamma\gamma$ with GAMMASPHERE



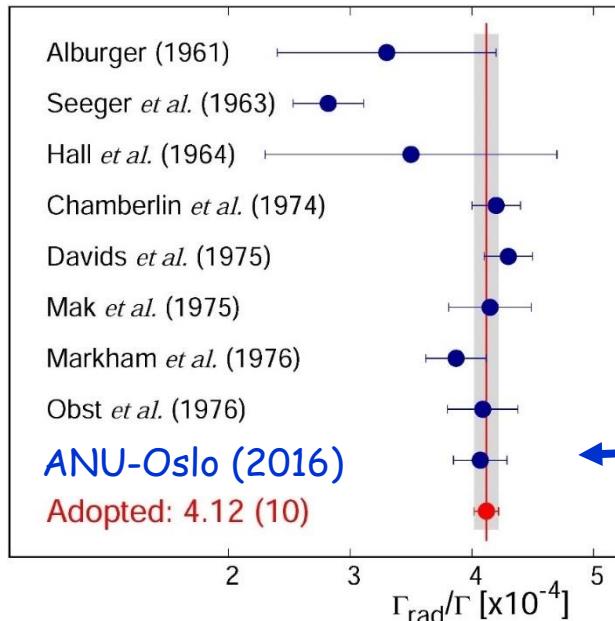


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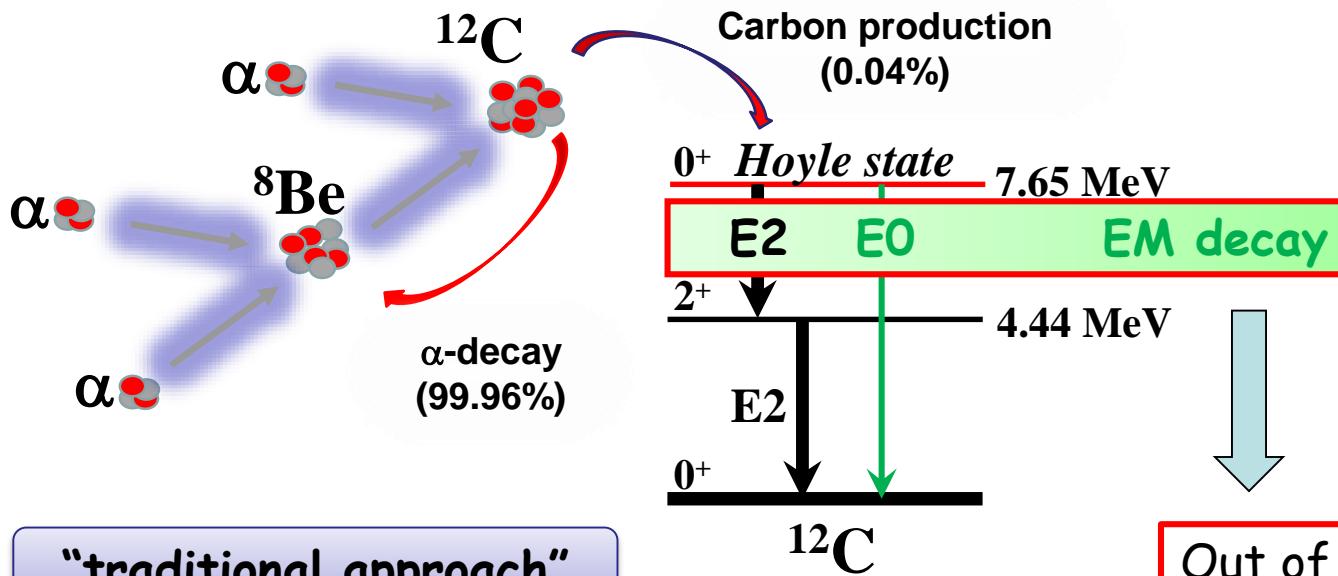
$$\left[\frac{\Gamma_\gamma}{\Gamma} \right]^{7.65} = 3.99(22) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\left[\frac{\Gamma_{\text{rad}}}{\Gamma} \right]^{7.65} = \left[\frac{\Gamma_\gamma}{\Gamma} \right]^{7.65} \times (1 + \alpha_{\text{Total}})$$

$$4.07(22) \times 10^{-4}$$



New approach to determine the triple- α rate



"traditional approach"

$$\Gamma_{rad} = \left(\frac{\Gamma_\pi(E2)}{\Gamma_\pi(E0)} \right) \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha_\pi(E2)} \right) \times \left[\Gamma_\pi(E0) \right]$$

From direct measurement of the E0 and E2 transitions

$$\alpha_\pi(E2, \text{BrIcc}) = 8.765 \times 10^{-4}$$

Out of the ~0.04%

$$\Gamma_\gamma(E2) = 98.5\%$$

$$\Gamma_\pi(E0) = 1.5\%$$

$$\Gamma_\pi(E2) = 0.088\%$$

$$\Gamma_{CE}(E2) \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-5}\%$$

$$\Gamma_{CE}(E0) \sim 1 \times 10^{-5}\%$$

Internal pair conversion



$^{12}\text{C}(\text{p}, \text{p}')^{12}\text{C}^*$ pair measurements

(Tomas K. Eriksen, PhD)

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{p}, \text{p}'\pi) @ 10.5 \text{ MeV}; 500\text{-}900 \text{ nA}$
ANU HIAF & Super-e

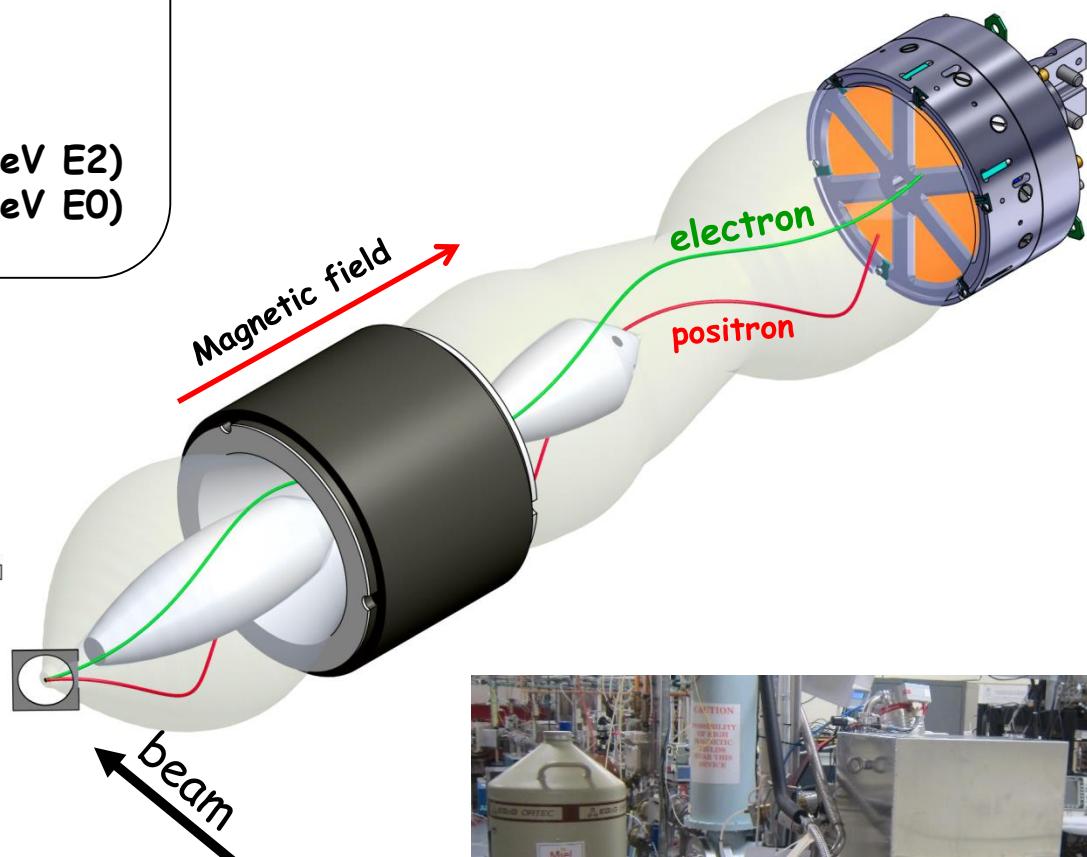
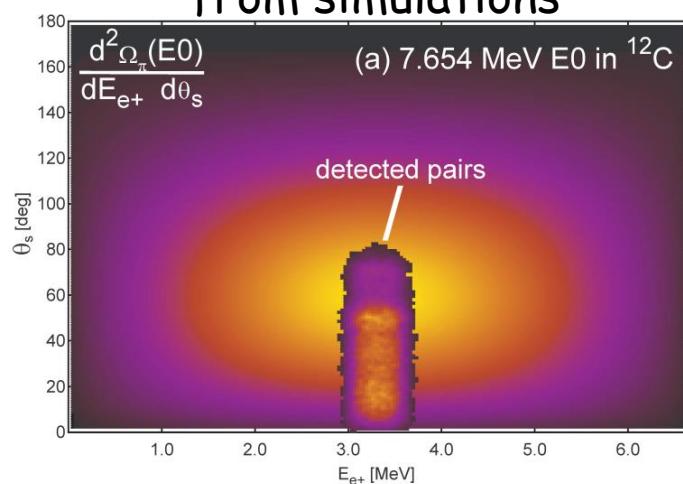
talks by A.E. Stuchbery & T.K. Eriksen

Acceptance angles: 15.9° - 46.9°

Efficiency - singles (swept): 0.5%
- singles (fixed): 3.0%

Efficiency - pairs: 0.0935% (3.21 MeV E2)
0.0618% (7.65 MeV E0)

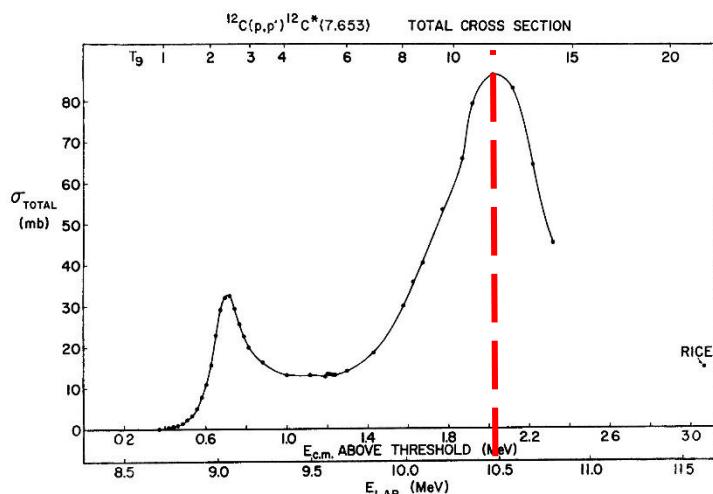
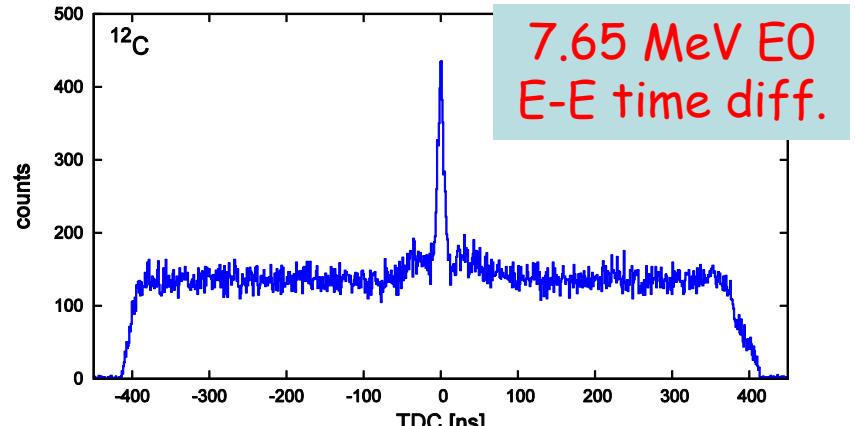
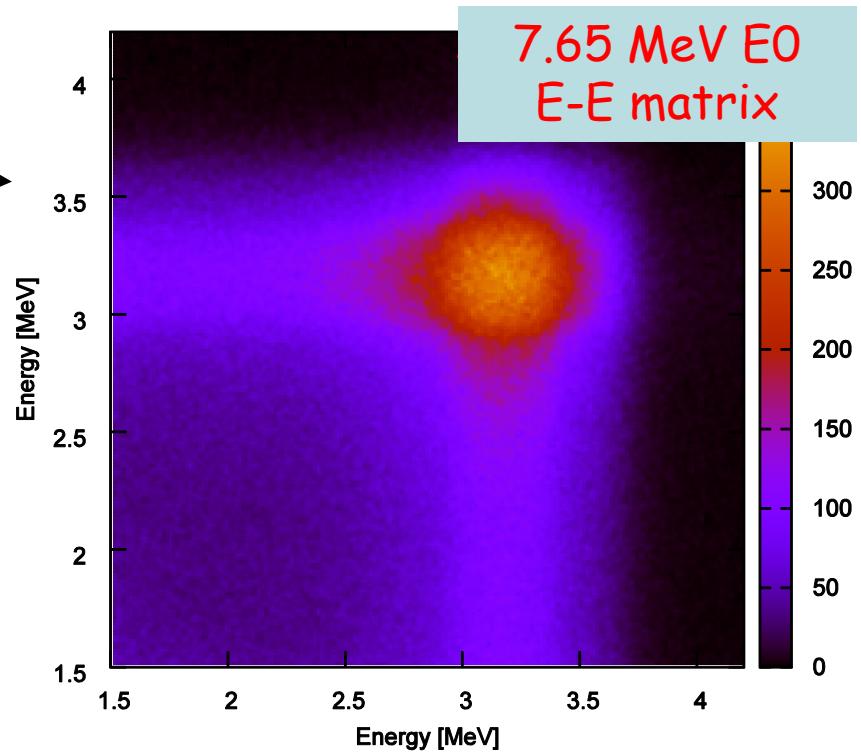
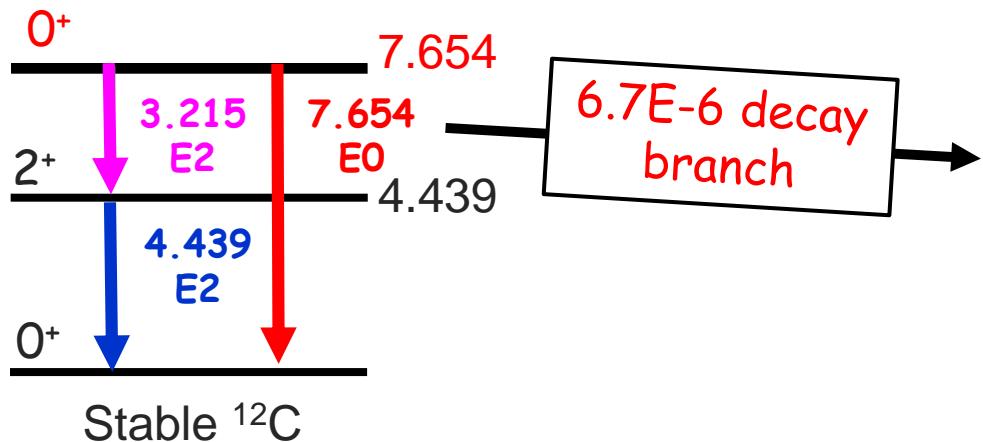
Spectrometer response
from simulations





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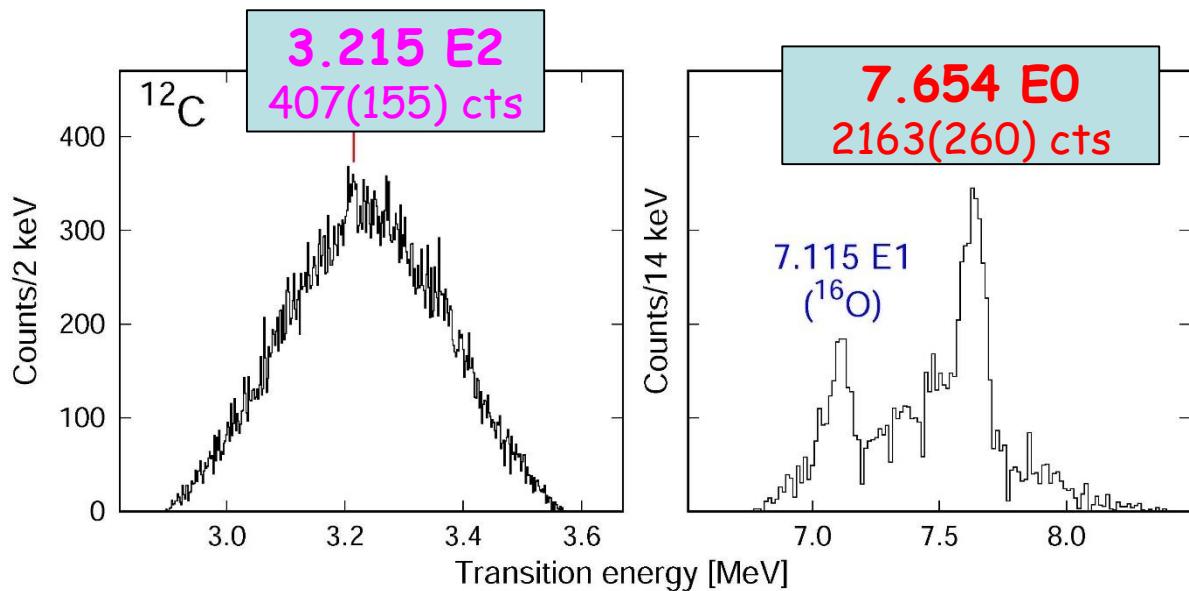
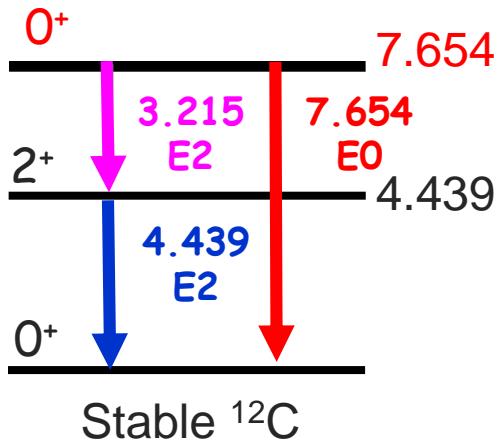


Davis and Bonner, *Astrophys. J.* **166** (1971) 405.



$^{12}C(p,p')^{12}C^*$ pair measurements

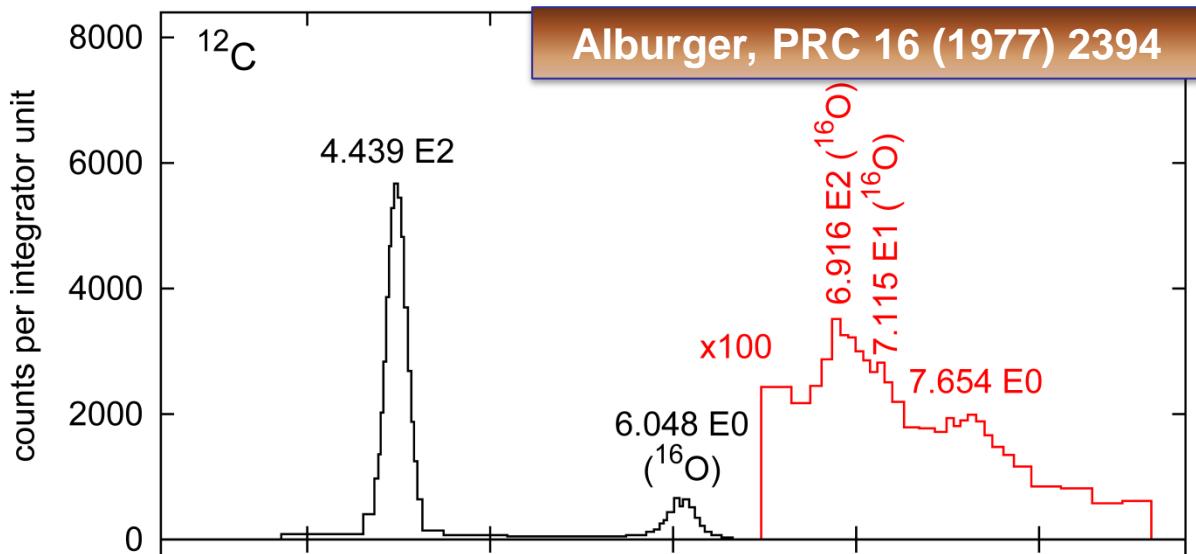
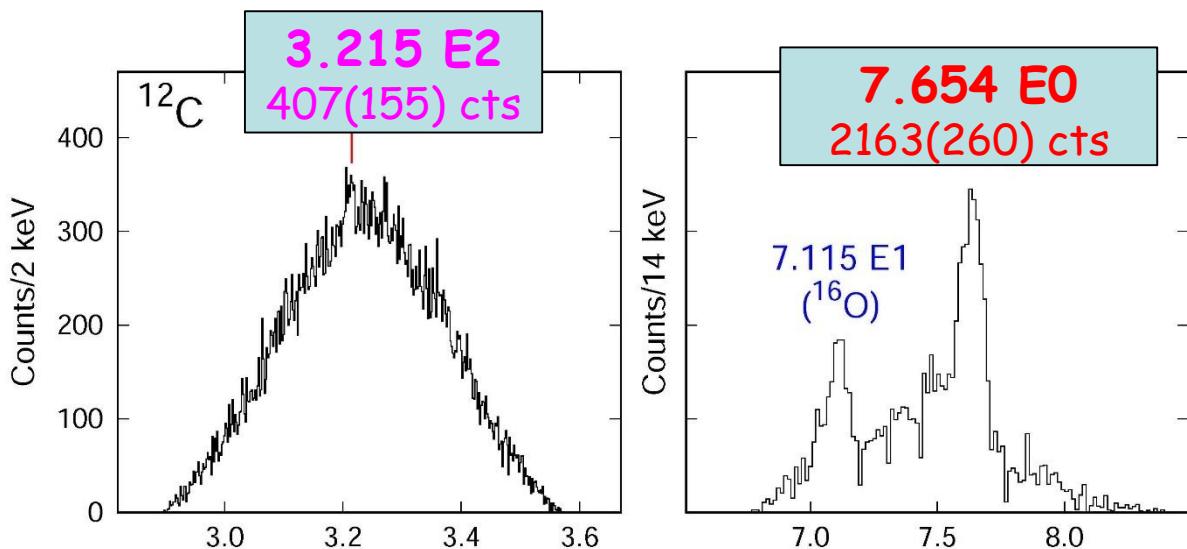
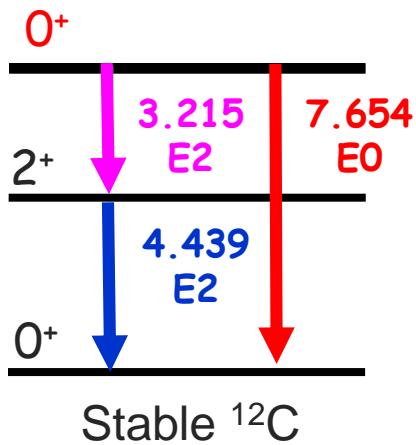
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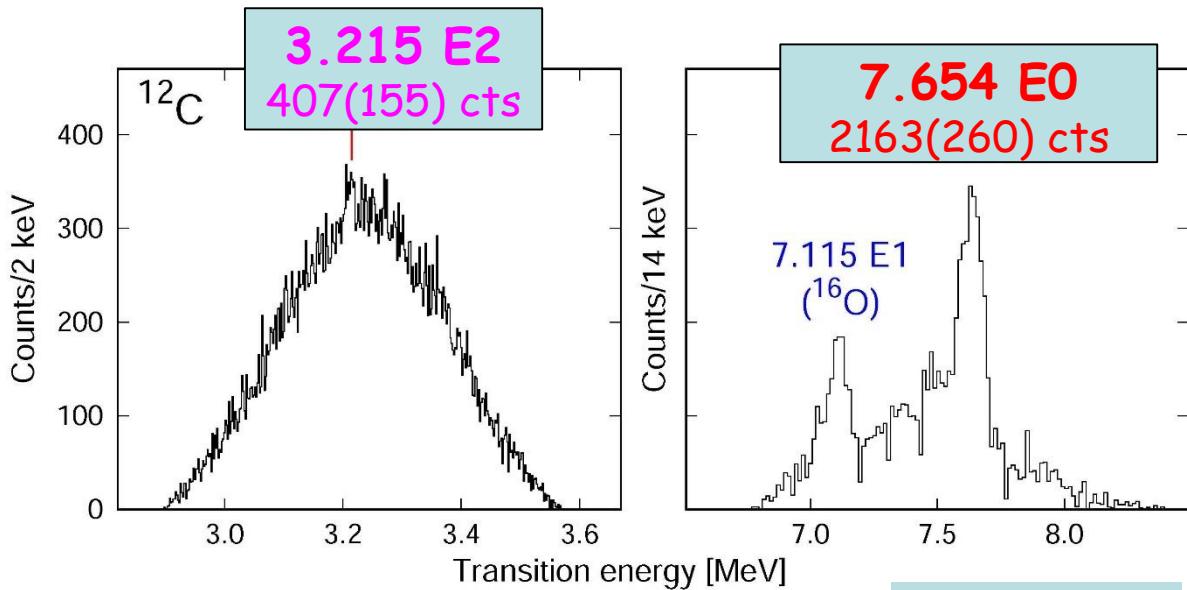
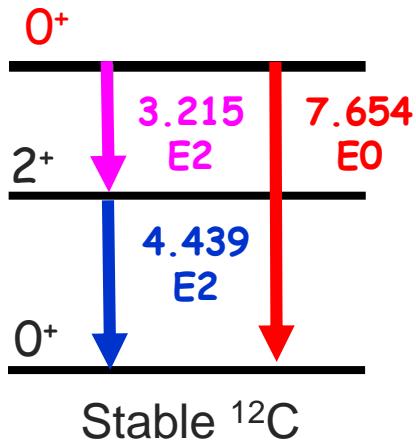
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$\Gamma_\pi(E2)/\Gamma_\pi(E0)$: 0.030(12)

E0 to E2 ratio: 33(13)
expected: ~18

$\alpha_\pi(E2)$: 8.765E-4 (BrIcc)

$\Gamma_\pi(E0)$: 62.3(20) μ eV (adopted)

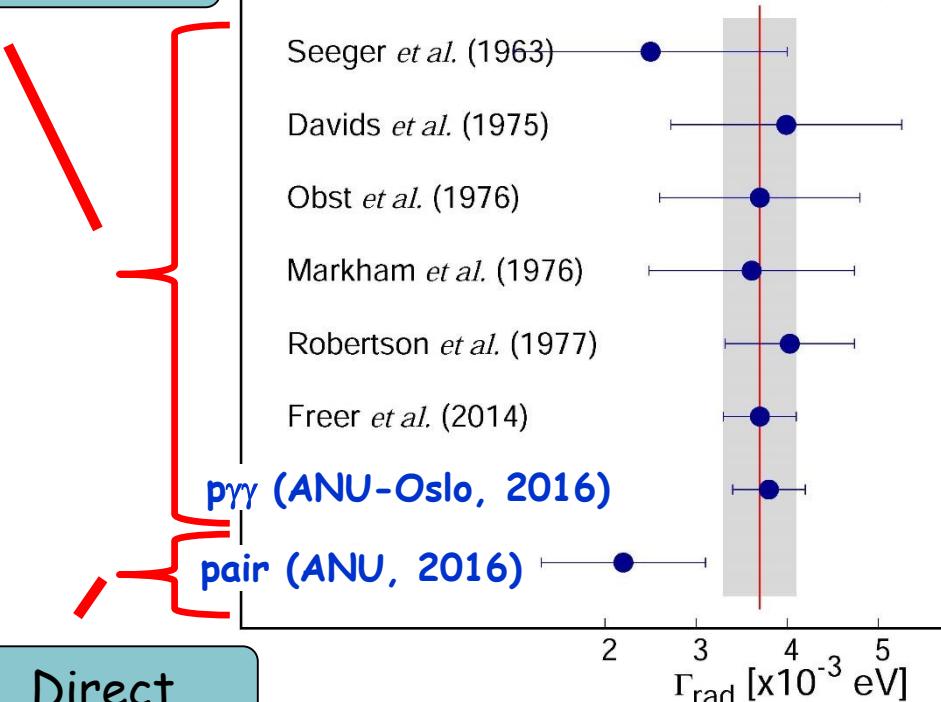
Γ_{rad} : 0.0022(9) eV



Summary and Outlook

$$\Gamma_{rad} = \left[\frac{\Gamma_{rad}}{\Gamma} \right] \times \left[\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma_\pi(E0)} \right] \times [\Gamma_\pi(E0)]$$

Traditional



Direct

$$\Gamma_{rad} = \left(\left[\frac{\Gamma_\pi(E2)}{\Gamma_\pi(E0)} \right] \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{[\alpha_\pi(E2)]} \right) + 1 \right) \times [\Gamma_\pi(E0)]$$

Preliminary results

From pγγ measurements:

- 529(23) pγγ triple coinc.
- Γ_{rad}/Γ : 4.07(22) E-4
- Γ_{rad} : 0.0038(4) eV

From pair measurements:

- 2163(26) 7.654 MeV E0 pairs
- 407(155) 3.215 MeV E2 pairs
- $\Gamma_\pi(E2)/\Gamma_\pi(E0)$: 0.030(12)
- Γ_{rad} : 0.0022(9) eV

Recommended

(Freer and Fynbo, Prog. in Part. and Nucl. Phys. 78 (2014) 1)

$$\Gamma_{rad}: 0.0037(4) \text{ eV}$$

Need more data (Nov-2016)

- $^{28}\text{Si}(p,p')$ @10.5 MeV
- 4.98 MeV E0 & 3.20 MeV E2



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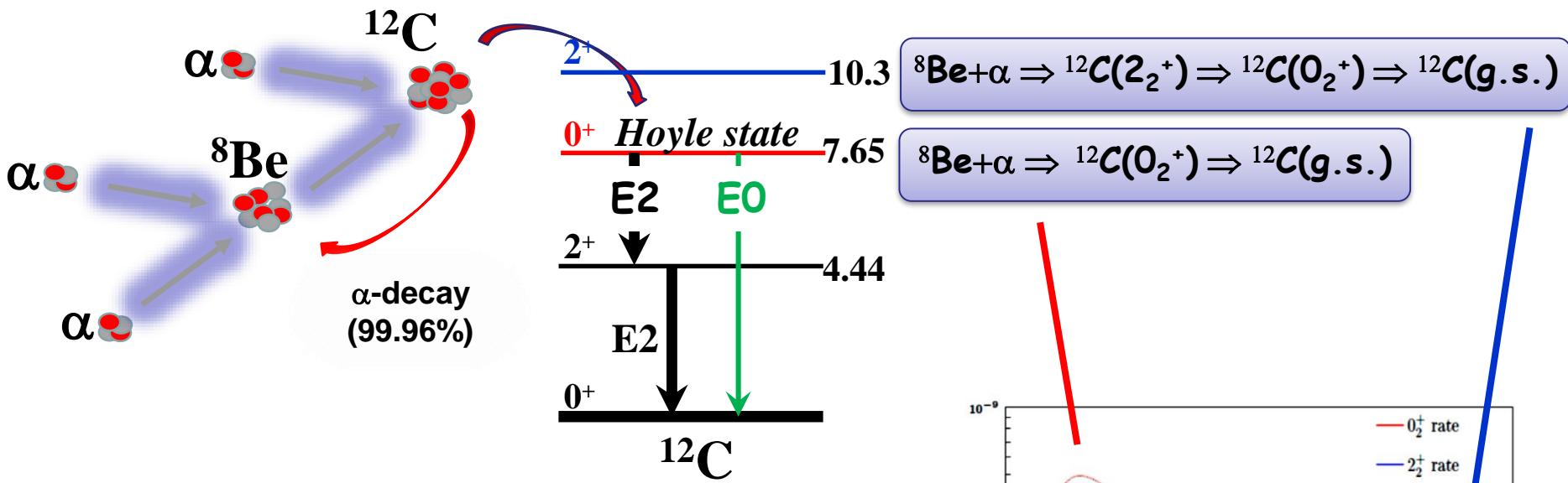
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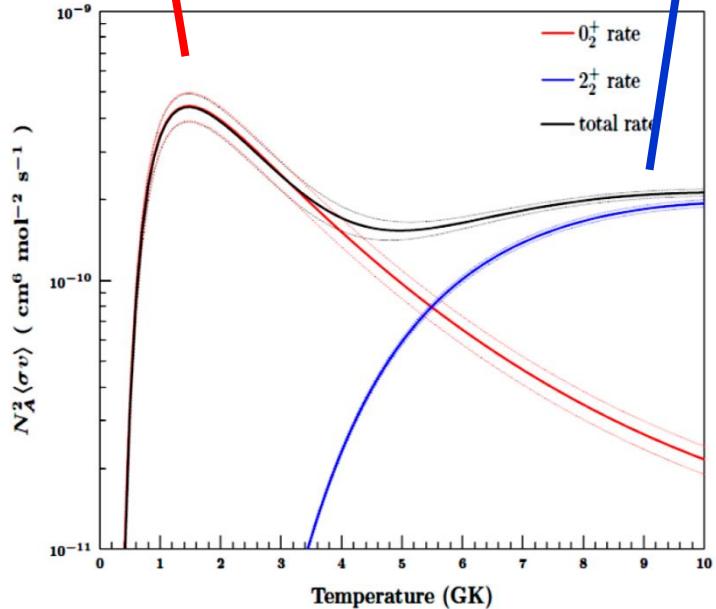
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W.R. Zimmerman, PhD (2013) Univ. Connecticut

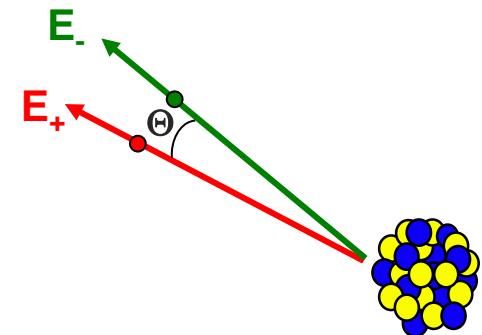


Measuring electron-positron pairs

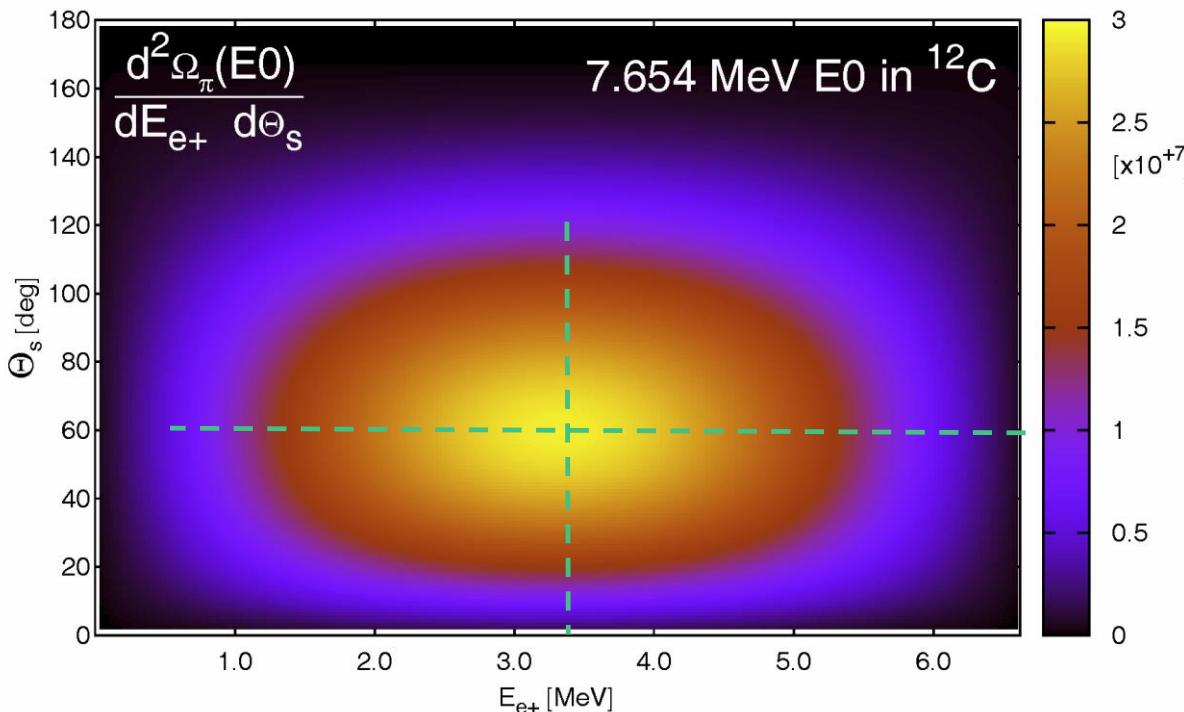
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Need to observe both particles



- Pair emission rate: function of Z, E_γ , E_+ , Θ and multipolarity; Born approx.



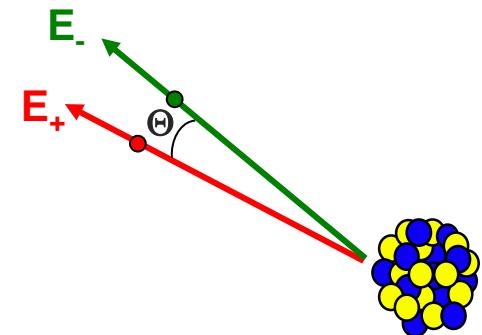


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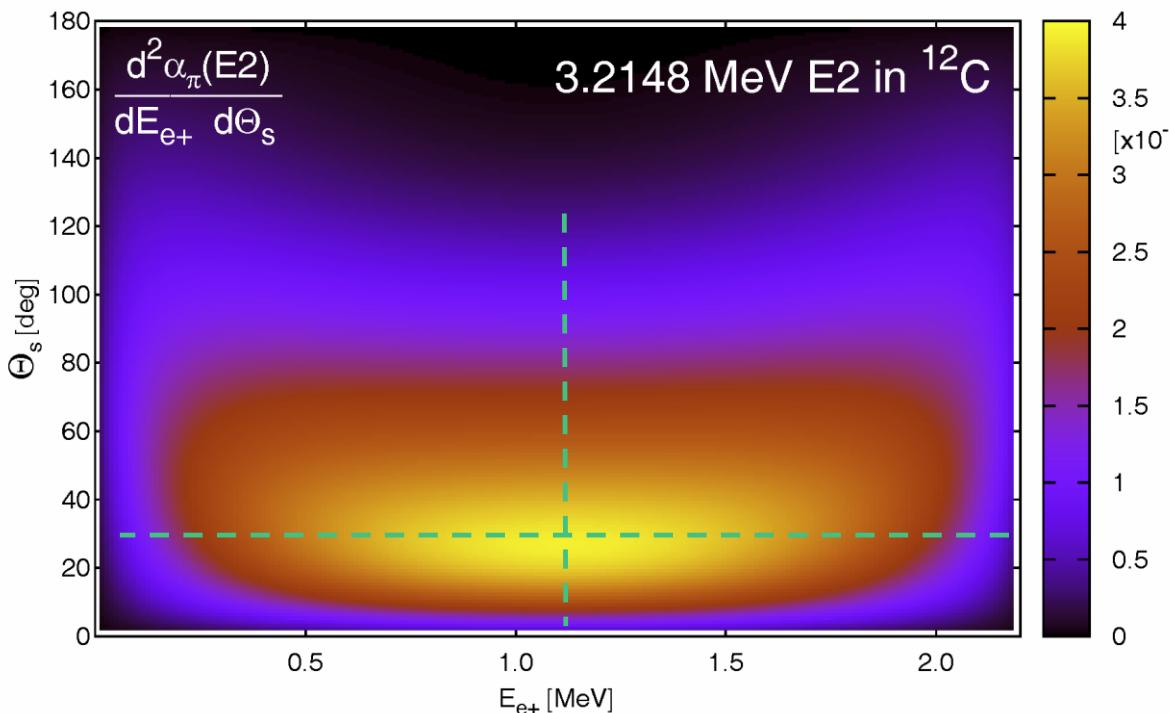
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$$\alpha_\pi(E2) = \Gamma_\pi(E2)/\Gamma_\gamma(E2)$$
$$E_+ \approx E_-$$
$$\theta_{\text{sep}} \approx 30^\circ$$

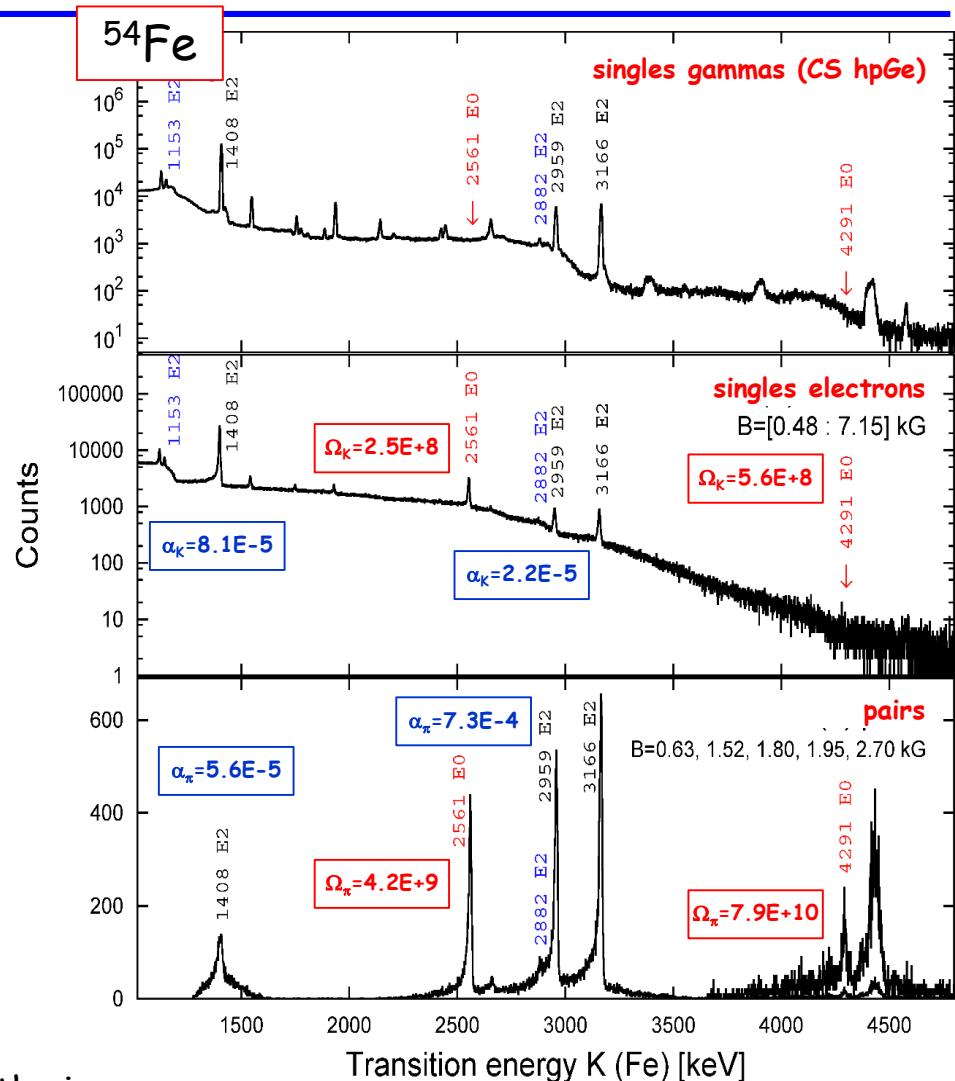
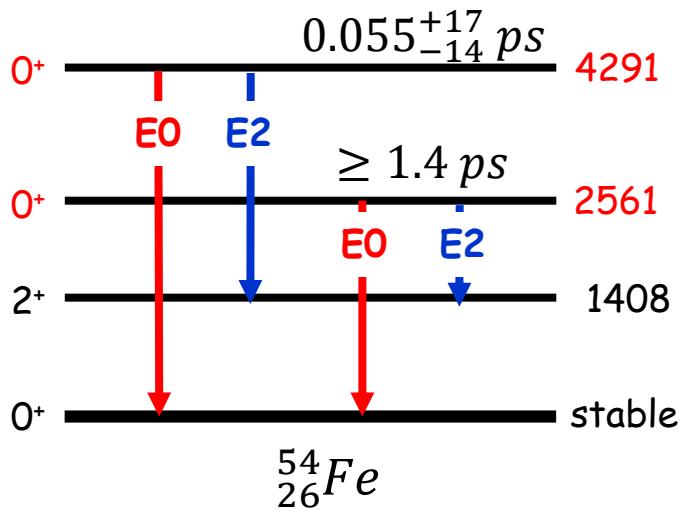
$$W_\pi(E0) \sim \rho^2(E0) \times \Omega_\pi(E0)$$
$$W_\pi(E2) = \Gamma_\gamma(E2) \times \alpha_\pi(E2)$$

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$^{54}\text{Fe}(\text{p},\text{p}'\gamma) @ 6.9 \text{ MeV}$

Tomas Eriksen PhD



Lee Evits, Electric monopole transition strengths in stable Nickel Isotopes (talk on Wednesday)

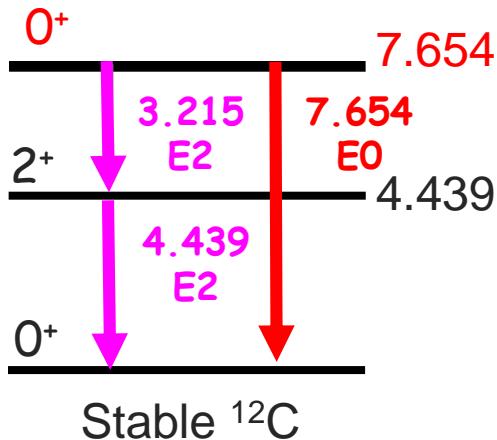
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$^{12}C(p,p'\gamma)^{12}C^*$ pair measurements

(2015-2016)

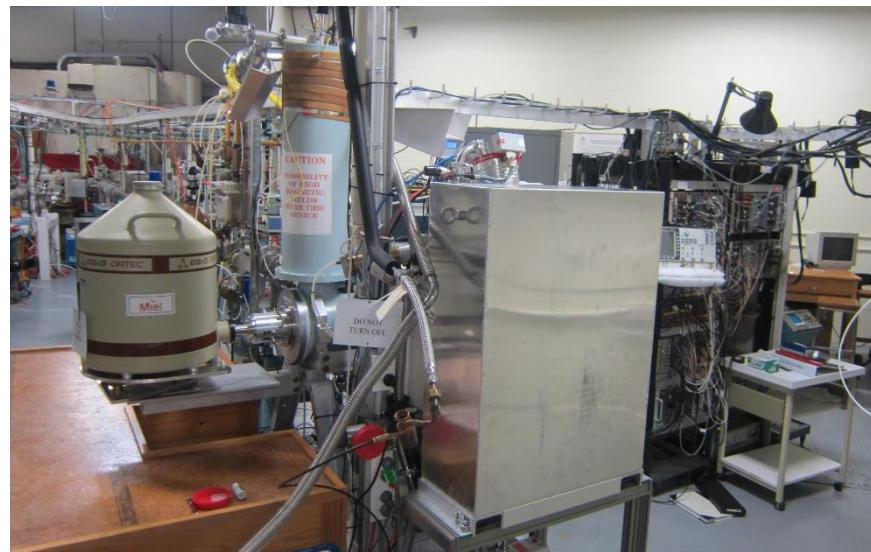


Stable ^{12}C

Estimated rates

	gamma	pairs
4.439 E2	= 1	1.32E-3
3.215 E2	1.1E-4	9.2E-8
7.654 E0	--	1.6E-6

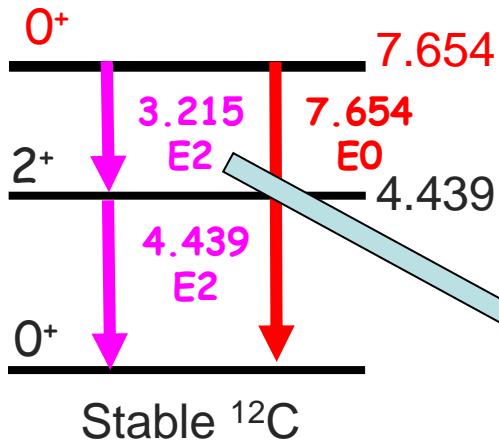
- $^{12}C(p,p')$ @ 10.5 MeV, 2 mg/cm² target, 500 nA
- 4-6 days experiments
- Magnetic field set for $E^+ \sim E^-$
- Counting at each field according to expected yields: 1000(3.21E2); 25(4.44E2); 50(6.05E0, 16O); 250(7.65E0)
- hpGe detector to monitor bombardment
- Singles measurement, but sum coincidence helps





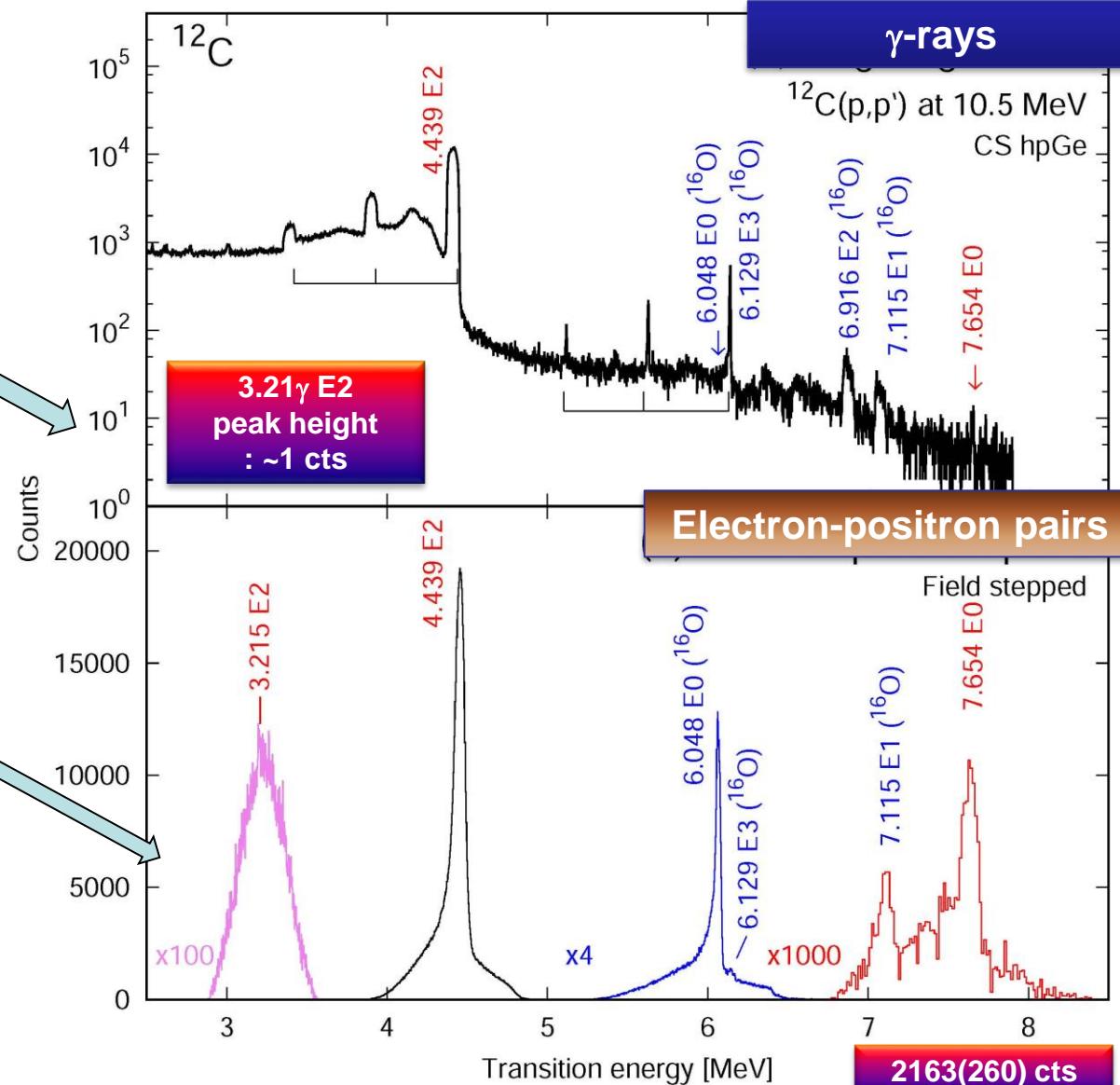
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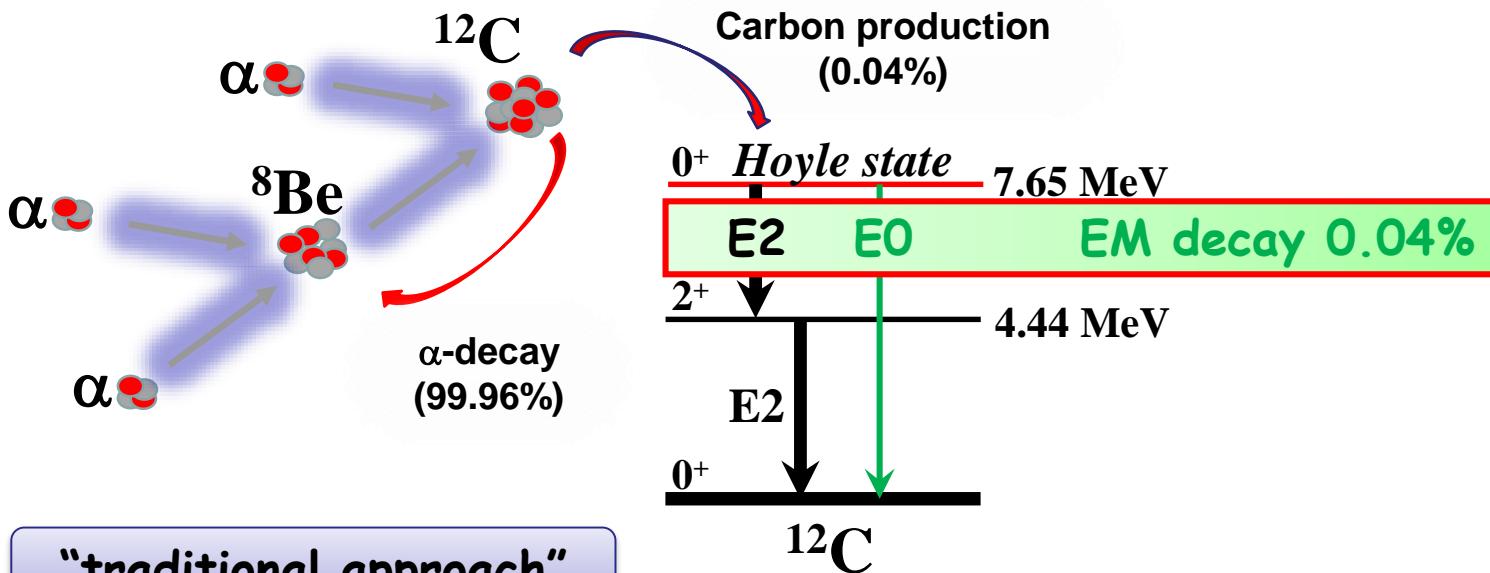
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Determining the triple- α rate

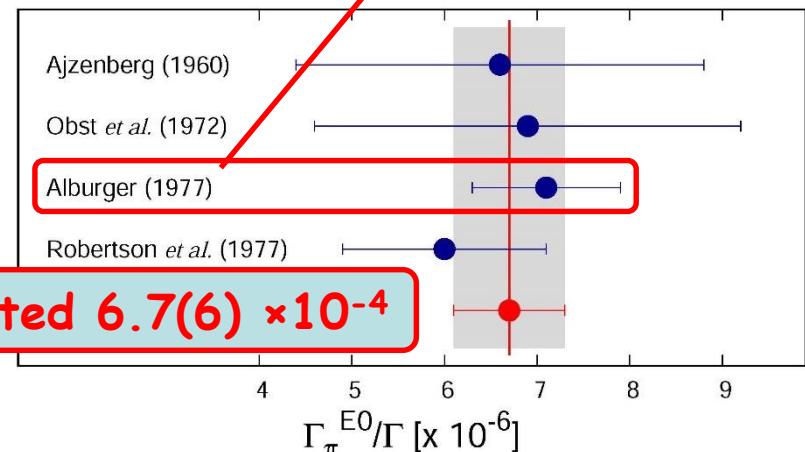


"traditional approach"

$$r_{3\alpha} \propto [\Gamma_{rad}] \exp(-[Q_{3\alpha}]/kT)$$

$$\Gamma_{rad} = \left[\frac{\Gamma_{rad}}{\Gamma} \right] \times \left[\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma_{\pi}(E0)} \right] \times [\Gamma_{\pi}(E0)]$$

Only experiment using magnetic spectrometer

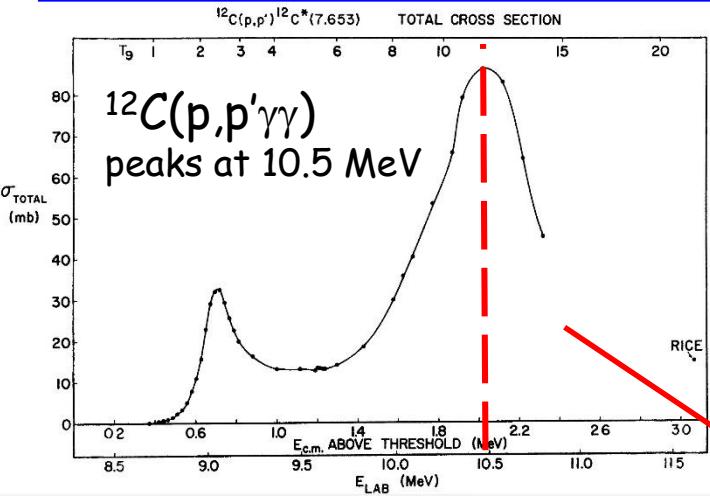


Adopted $6.7(6) \times 10^{-6}$



$\gamma\gamma$ Measurements to determine $\Gamma_{\text{rad}}/\Gamma$

Badriah Alshahrani's thesis (ANU)



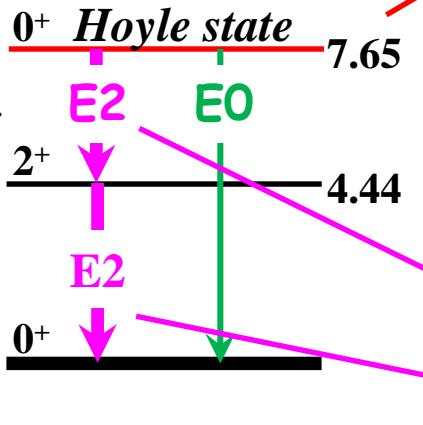
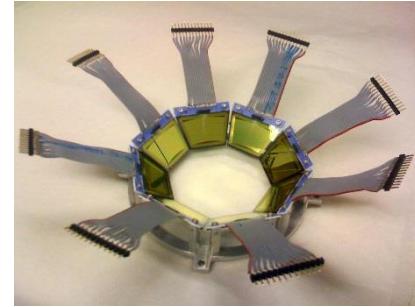
Davis and Bonner, *Astrophys. J.* **166** (1971) 405.

$\Gamma_{\text{rad}}/\Gamma$ from $\gamma\gamma/\text{p}$ rates

Oslo Cyclotron Laboratory

- 12 days, ~ 5 nA
- 6.0×10^9 events (total)
- $2.56(5) \times 10^8$ ($E^* = 7.65$ MeV)
- $^{28}\text{Si}(\text{p},\text{p}'\gamma\gamma)$ for calibration

SiRi - particle detection
 $64 \Delta E(130 \mu\text{m})-E(1550 \mu\text{m})$
M. Guttormsen, et al.
NIM **648** (2011) 168



Run at 10.7 MeV to get above the energy threshold in ΔE

CACTUS - photon detection
 $26 5'' \text{ by } 5'' \text{ NaI}$
M. Guttormsen, et al.
Phys. Scr. **T32** (1990) 54

