





#### NUCLEAR STRUCTURE STUDIES WITH THE PENNING TRAP MASS SPECTROMETER MLLTRAP AT ALTO



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# Penning traps around the world

→ High quality low-energy beams : low emittance, low energy spread, purified samples



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Field	δm/m
Chemistry: identification of molecules	10 <sup>-5</sup> - 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Nuclear physics: shells, sub-shells, pairing	1 <b>0</b> <sup>-6</sup>
Nuclear fine structure: deformation, halos	10 <sup>-7</sup> - 10 <sup>-8</sup>
Astrophysics : r-process, rp-process, waiting points	<b>10</b> <sup>-7</sup>
Nuclear models and formulas: IMME	10 <sup>-7</sup> - 10 <sup>-8</sup>
Weak interaction studies: CVC hypothesis, CKM unitary	10 <sup>-8</sup>
Atomic physics: binding energies, QED	10 <sup>-9</sup> - 10 <sup>-11</sup>
Metrology: fundamental constants, CPT	<b>≤10</b> <sup>-10</sup>

#### **Masses and nuclear structure**





#### $M(N,Z) = Z M_p + N M_n - B(N,Z)$



- absolute nuclear binding energy
- shell structure evolution
- Benchmark nuclear models

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# **MLLTRAP project in Germany**





#### Peter G. Thirolf, Christine Weber



#### 2009 → Off-line commissioning of the double Penning trap system MLLTRAP

V.S. Kolhinen, et al., Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res., Sect. A 600 (2009) 391



 $\rightarrow$  MLLTRAP will benefit from low energy beams from two facilities.



The DESIR facility at GANIL-SPIRAL2 : -  $\beta$  de



- β decay spectroscopy
  - Laser Spectroscopy
  - High-precision mass measurements

DESIR (Désintégration, Excitation et Stockage d'Ions Radioactifs





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#### N=Z nuclides up to <sup>100</sup>Sn



N=60, A = 100











#### The ALTO facility

**ALTO** 

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Stable and Radioactive beam facility
R&D on ISOL & RIB

Iow-energy physics program based on photo-fission

R&D and physics at ALTO a step towards a next-generation ISOL RIB facility

Resonance ionization laser ion source
on-line isotope separator PARRNe



30-kV platform
mass separator (A/ΔA = 1500)
10 µA, 50 MeV e- beam
10<sup>11</sup> – 4 x10<sup>11</sup> fissions/s

	<u>2013</u>	2014	<u>2015</u>
Users	200	135	143
<b>Beam-time</b>	2983 h	2297 h	2736 h
	373 UT	287 UT	342 UT



Shape coexistence in the <sup>78</sup>Ni region : A. Gottardo et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 182501 (2016)





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# **Move of MLLTRAP from MLL to Alto**

February – April 2016



July 2016



The truck left MLL the **14**<sup>th</sup> of July 2016







MLLTRAP is now at ALTO

Adelaide, 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2016

#### **High-precision mass measurements at ALTO**



# Installation of MLLTRAP @ ALTO



#### **COLETTE : RFQ cooler and buncher**





 $2r_0 = 14 \text{ mm}$ L = 40 mm (9 segments - center) L = 20 mm (6 segments - first and last)





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→Phase Imaging Ion Cyclotron Resonance (PI-ICR)



Delay-Line Detector by Roentdek GmbH



compared to standard technique:

- $\rightarrow$  40 fold gain in resolving power
- $\rightarrow$  5 fold gain in precision
- $\rightarrow$  25 faster than the Ramsey TOF-ICR

S. Eliseev et al., APB 114 (2014)

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MAGNETIC FIELD STRENGTH ALONG THE TRAP AXIS

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- 'detector trap':  $\alpha$ -detectors act as trap electrodes
- customized α detectors were developed and characterized for the cryogenic and UHV-conditions (single-sided Si-strip detector, active area 30x30 mm<sup>2</sup>, 30 strips, α-energy resolution ~ 20 keV)

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#### Advantages:

- Decay experiments with carrier-free particles stored in a Penning trap enable studies on ideal ion samples.
- The improved energy resolution can be exploited for high-resolution a- and electron-decay spectroscopy.

#### **Physics Goals:**

- From lifetime measurements of the first excited 2<sup>+</sup> states in heavy nuclei, nuclear quadrupole moments Q<sub>0</sub> can be derived.
- Similar experiments on 0<sup>+</sup> states allow for a determination of E0 decay strengths r<sup>2</sup> (E0).
- Shape coexistence of 0<sup>+</sup> configurations as present in mid-shell regions around magic proton numbers

#### **High-precision mass measurements at ALTO**



- High-precision mass measurements in the region of the magic numbers 50 and 82 are of high interest for nuclear astrophysics (r and rp process)
- Masses of neutron-rich Ag and In isotopes would allow to investigate a possible weakening of the shell gap for Z < 50 and its impact on the A = 130 r-process abundances</li>

# Thank you for your attention!

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