

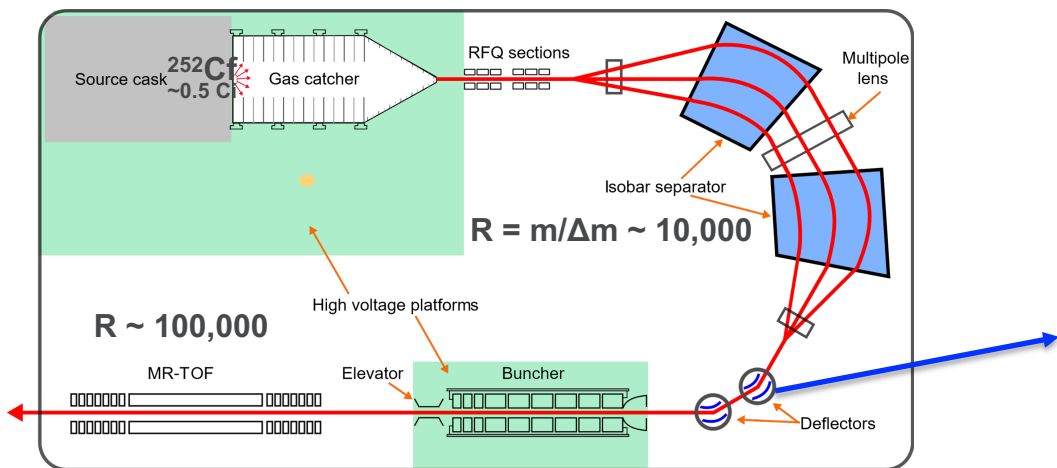
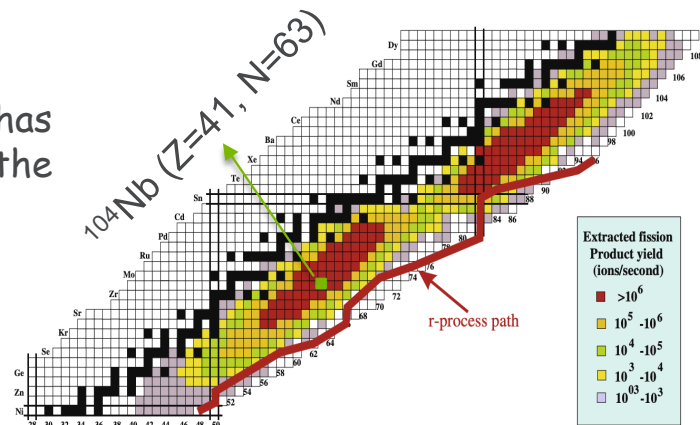
# $\beta$ decay properties of deformed $^{104,104m}\text{Nb}$ and its contribution to nuclear data

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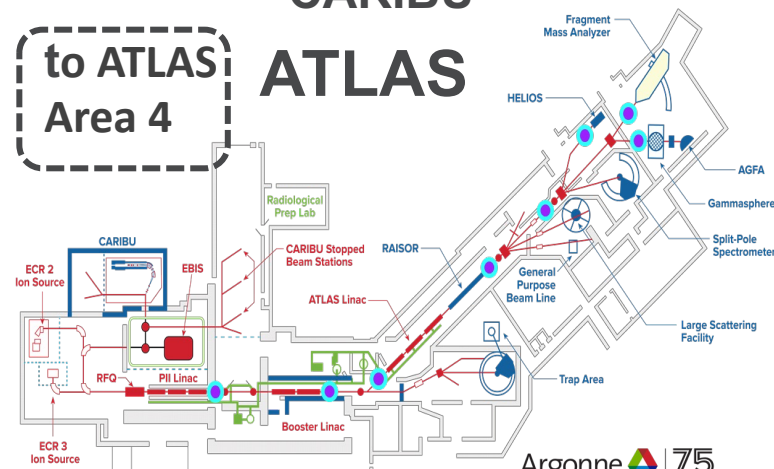
# Motivations & Decay Spectroscopy tools@ ANL

- The difficulty in accessing the nuclei in neutron rich  $A \sim 100$  has not allowed sufficient information which is important for the understanding of astrophysical r process scenario.
- The  $\beta$ -decay properties are important to predict the reactor antineutrino spectra.



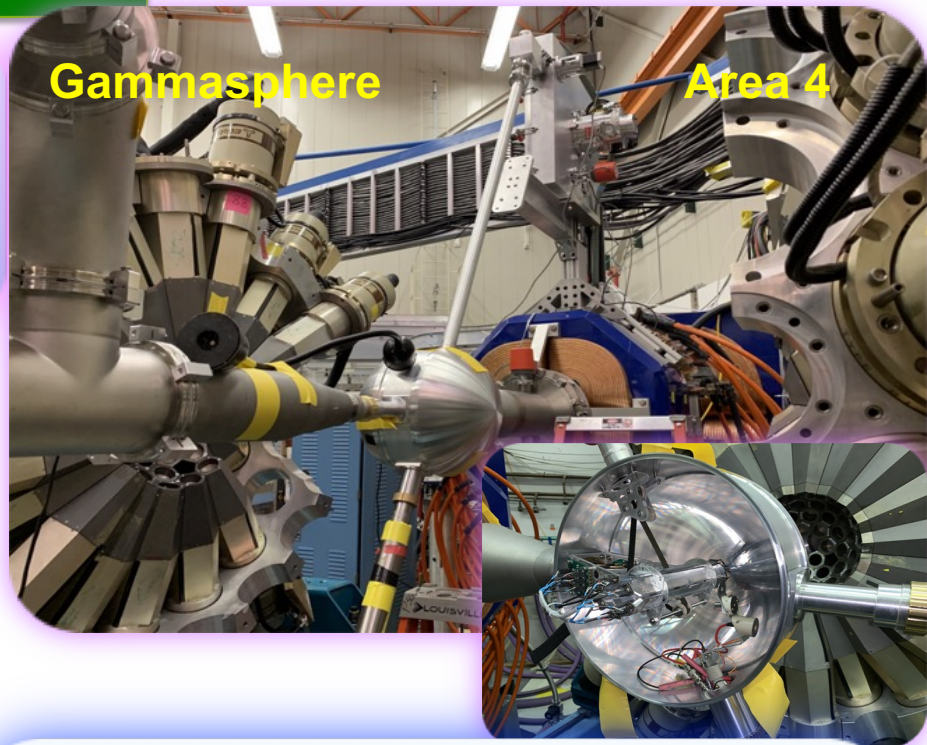
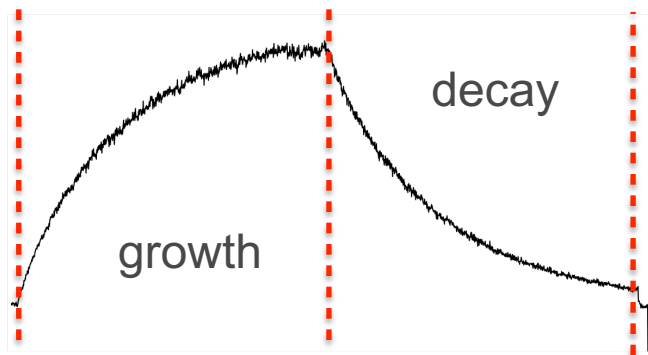
Schematic presentation of CARIBU

Accessible region in  
CARIBU  
to ATLAS  
Area 4  
ATLAS



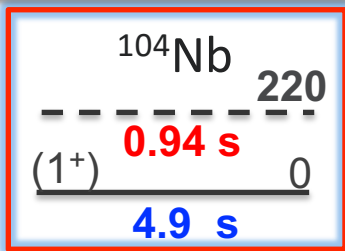
# New $\beta$ -decay station @ ANL

- direct implantation on the tape
- control the growth & decay times
  - selectivity by  $T_{1/2}$
- $\beta$ - $\gamma$ - $\gamma(t)$  coincidences

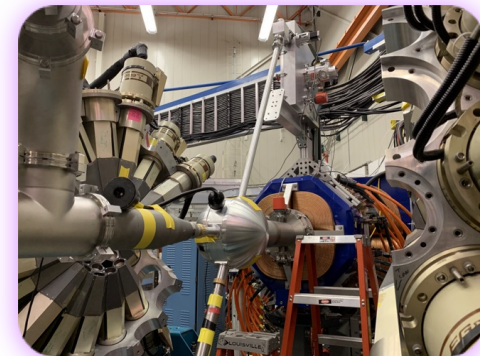
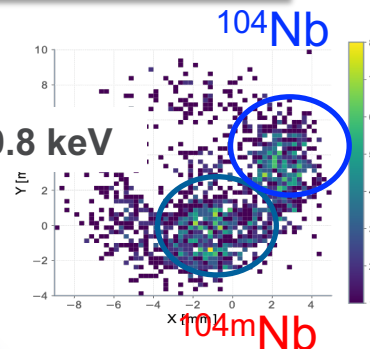


- HEART - HExagonal ARray for Triggering
  - ✓ 6 EJ-204 plastic scint. & 12 SiPM
  - ✓  $\epsilon_B \sim 75\%$  from  $\beta$ - $\gamma$  singles & coin.
- powerful  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$ - $\beta$ -t coincidence device

# A~100 deformed region

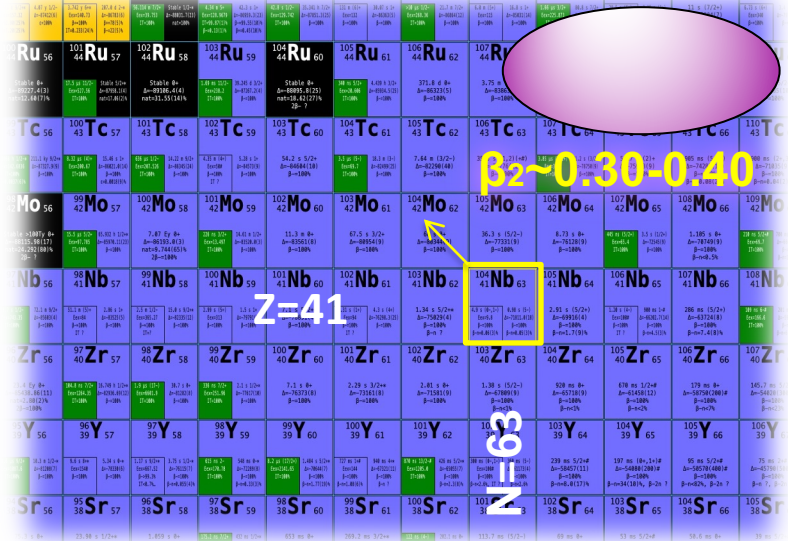


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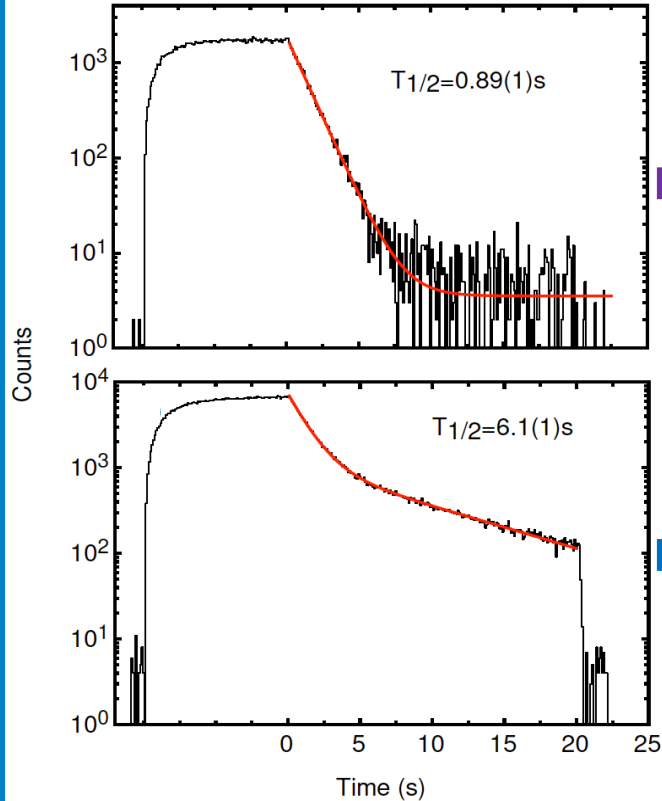
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- The data are collected in two different tape cycle modes 10/20s and 10/40s.
- 10/40s cycle is considered to get daughter and grand-daughter decay of  $^{104}\text{Nb}$ .

# Half-life ( $T_{1/2}$ ) values



❖  $T_{1/2}$  value obtained using single exponential decay curve fit.

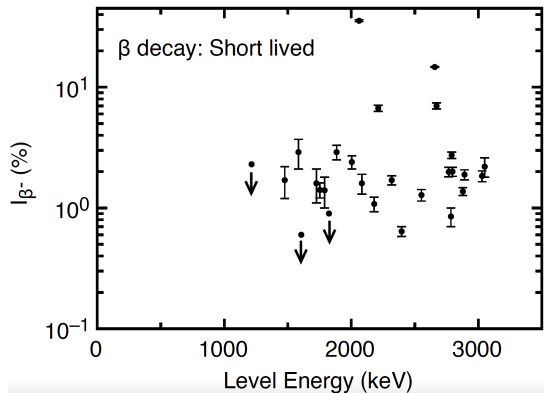
❖ Populate high spin levels

❖  $T_{1/2}$  value obtained using two exponential decay curve fit where the  $T_{1/2}$  of short-lived state has been used as an input.

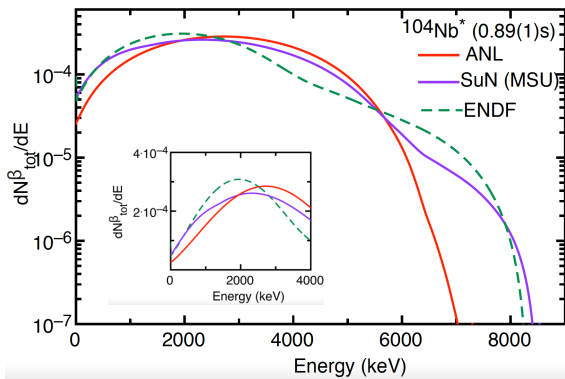
❖ Populate low spin levels

➤ Two comprehensive decay schemes have been established from the two  $\beta$ -decay states in  $^{104,104m}\text{Nb}$ .

## High spin $\beta$ decay ( $T_{1/2} = 0.89(1)$ s)

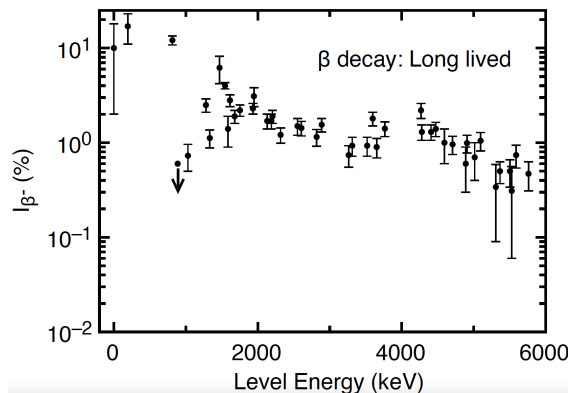


$\beta$  feeding distribution  $^{104m}\text{Nb} \longrightarrow ^{104}\text{Mo}$

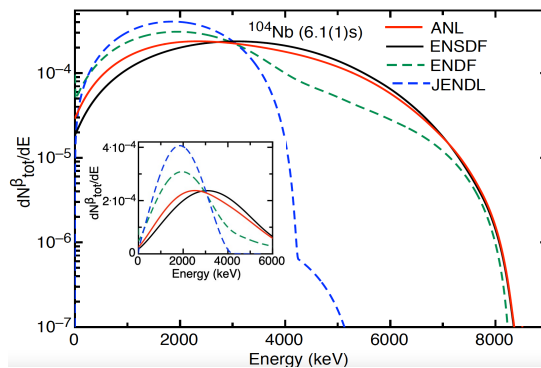


$\beta$  Spectra for  $^{104m}\text{Nb} \longrightarrow ^{104}\text{Mo}$

## Low spin $\beta$ decay ( $T_{1/2} = 6.1(1)$ s)



$\beta$  feeding distribution  $^{104}\text{Nb} \longrightarrow ^{104}\text{Mo}$



$\beta$  Spectra for  $^{104}\text{Nb} \longrightarrow ^{104}\text{Mo}$



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