ISOLDE Physics Group Meeting 08/08/2018

Technical news

GPS

- o Many Rn isotopes, 222,224,226Rn.
- o Line failed on Sunday evening, prevented lower energy run on 224Rn.
- o Tape station broke due to failed motor.
- o Repaired on Monday, but some issues remain with detectors.
- o New tape station tested briefly last week and beam on tape.
- o Scheduled for after Sn run for more tests.

HRS

 Changed to GPS on Tuesday 31st July following Ra and Ba runs to Miniball.

• REX/HIE

- o Cavity 6 problem induced by power cut, issue with cryo plant.
- o Rephased in world record time to shoot through this cavity.
- o Beam came back to users with new setup.
- o Electron gun on EBIS is in unhealthy state; power cut didn't help.
- o Usually takes two weeks to change with recommended steps.
- Exchange scheduled during 8 days of CRIS experiment (after B on XT03).
- o Some trips on first cryomodule, but almost none with REX.
- o Stripping foils installed for XT03 run later.
- Many thanks from the users for the commitment of the operations team for the delivery of so many beams in such a short time.

RILIS

- o 106Sn setup for Miniball has been ongoing.
- Problem with setting up due to MEDICIS irradiation...
 - Proton beam still hitting HRS target giving background
 - Focusing of PSB beam is not good, on both waist and normal focus settings.
- o Reoptimisation yesterday by Shane gave good yields.
- o Low personnel level this week (i.e. just Shane), so be kind to him.
- The photonics laser has been returned since its repair but the key to operate it has been forgotten. This will apparently require two more weeks.

Targets

- LIEBE target on the offline separator.
- o The Pb-Bi source leaked all over the frontend, which had to be cleaned.
- The cleaning was a big job with major hazards...

Safety

 RP visited Miniball and had alpha contamination but levels are very low.

- o No flip-flops in the hall during the summer period!
- Helmets (the white ones) are to be controlled periodically. One example failed the control and was thrown in the bin because a name was written in permanent marker!

MEDICIS

- o Irradiations and collections for Tb this week.
- Will be transparent to the Miniball run.
- o First collection for machine development and later for shipment.

Visits

- One visit next week (Thursday 16th August; 09:00 11:30) for the international teachers programme... Two guides needed.
- o More visits in September

• A.O.B.

- o Researcher's Night scheduled (Friday 28th September: 4pm 11pm).
- o Coincides with the opening of the Esplanade de Particule.
- o Volunteers welcome, both French and English speakers.

A seminar by [] from [] followed the meeting, titled "" - https://indico.cern.ch/event/

Next week's meeting will be held in B. 508, at 1400.

Minutes taken by LPG