



ISOLDE scientific coordinator's report

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Running period 2008 Status of INTC shifts Status of ISOLDE experiments







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ECSLI Mn beam time: β⁻ emission channeling patterns from ⁶¹Co in GaN



- ⁶¹Mn implanted (~10¹³ cm⁻²)
- wait 25 min + anneal at 800°C
- emission channeling patterns measured from ⁶¹Co β⁻ particles
- fit results:
 ⁶¹Co on substitutional Ga sites





In vivo experiments:

Whole plant with roots (only the collected Hg(II) and water added)





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Precision mass measurements at ISOLTRAP

First observation of ²²⁹Rn

New ion source with higher efficiency for noble gases

Measured half-life of ²²⁹Rn at ISOLDE tape station









- about 2000 protons
 identified in 150 h of beam
 time
- elastic scattered protons are stopped in the ΔE detector



- 3 states visible?
- about 900 counts in each region consistent with our expectation
- two neutron transfer reactions work!





- Rough start in the beginning ...
 - unstable controls
 - limitation of proton beam intensity on GPS
 - vacuum system partly in manual mode
- ... improved during the running period
 - situation of controls improved ... vacuum still problematic at the end
 - remaining broken diagnostics to be repaired during shutdown
 - no limitation for GPS proton beam intensity
 - new RILIS pump lasers in operation very good performance
 - good performance of targets however, yield not in all cases suitable
- ... and as usual some problems
 - polluted extraction electrode after Pb/Sn targets problems to reach requested HV
 - no neutron-rich Au or Hg beams (IS447, IS463)
 - several power cuts
 - broken targets (with backup available) no big loss of shifts
 - consumption of He gas at ISCOOL larger than expected



ISOLDE schedule 2008



ISOLDE dates 2008:

2 weeks off-line period protons started May 5 physics started May 9 protons stop Nov. 12

→ 27 weeks for physics

Scheduled:

- 31 IS experiments (out of 46 requested)
- 25 target units (4 old units)
- 14 UC + 1 ThO (2 old UC units)



Jul Sep Aug 27 29 33 35 36 37 Wk 28 30 31 32 34 38 39 IS460 IS461 Мо **IS443 IS448** IS435 **IS447** 1540 15472 IS458 Tu IS465 coll IS434 We IS461 IS358 IS457 IS418 Th IS439 IS435 IS473 Fr IS443 IS460 IS465 IS398 Sa IS453 IS461 coll Su 18442



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• ISOLDE delivered **318.5** RIB shifts

- 247 (77.6%) for INTC experiments
- 71.5 (22.4%) other
 - Standard target check + TISD + REX-MD
 - Coordinators reserve: debugging, recovery, tests
- 31 research projects (IS experiments)
- Integrated # protons = 5.16E+19
 - Below 2E+20 radioprotection average limit
 - No limitation of GPS proton beam intensity after further tests
- Running for 191 days
 - Additional ISCOOL setup time for each HRS target



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191 days of operation



ISOLDE shift distribution 2008







ISOLDE shift distribution 2000-2008







Shift distribution 1998-2008







- Actinide targets (U+Th)
 - 221 shifts (out of 318.5) [69%]
 - 13 new units (12 UC + 1 ThO) + 2 old UC







- 150.5 total RIB shifts
 - 145.5 shifts for INTC experiments
- 1836 hours for online work
 - includes setup, yield checks, etc.
 - 2013 hours total running time (incl. off-line tests)
- 20 IS experiments







- 104 RIB shifts delivered to experiments
 - + 6 RIB shifts for development
 - 7 experiments
 - pulsed injection from ISCOOL
 - investigation of mass resolution technique
- new REX radioactive beams for physics in 2008
 - ¹⁰C³⁺, ⁶¹Fe²¹⁺, ^{61,62}Mn^{15+,21+}, ^{202,204}Rn⁴⁷⁺



REX % from INTC shifts 2008



REX-ISOLDE 2002-2008





Evolution of INTC shifts







New and closed experiments at ISOLDE



New ISOLDE experiments in 2008

• IS465 - IS483 (19 new experiments, 6 scheduled in 2008)

Closed ISOLDE experiments

- IS360, IS386, IS412, IS421, IS428
- IS406 (closed by INTC)
- IS436 (MISTRAL experimental setup to be removed)
- more inactive experiments to be checked at May meeting



Accelerator schedule 2009



Version 3.2 as approved by Research Board (December 5, 2008)

ISOLDE dates:

protons from PSB April 14 physics start ISOLDE April 20 protons stop November 23 (i.e. 31 weeks for physics as compared to 27 weeks in 2008 = 84 shifts more)







- Active experiments 2007
 - 63 with 470 shifts in total
- INTC meeting February 2008 + Beam requests
 - 5 experiments closed
 - 9 new experiments and additional shifts for existing experiments
 - 67 active experiments with about 700 shifts
- INTC meeting May and November 2008
 - Additional 300 shifts in total 531 new shifts in 2008
- RIB delivered in 2008
 - 247 shifts

.. Beam requests 2009?





- CRIS setup
 - Beam line racks installed
- MISTRAL
 - First clean-up planned for February/March
- ASPIC
 - Discussion on future ongoing
- ECR charge breeder
 - Discussion on future ongoing (most likely to be removed)
- β-NMR system
 - Installation in extension discussed
 - Control system is being updated (LabVIEW)