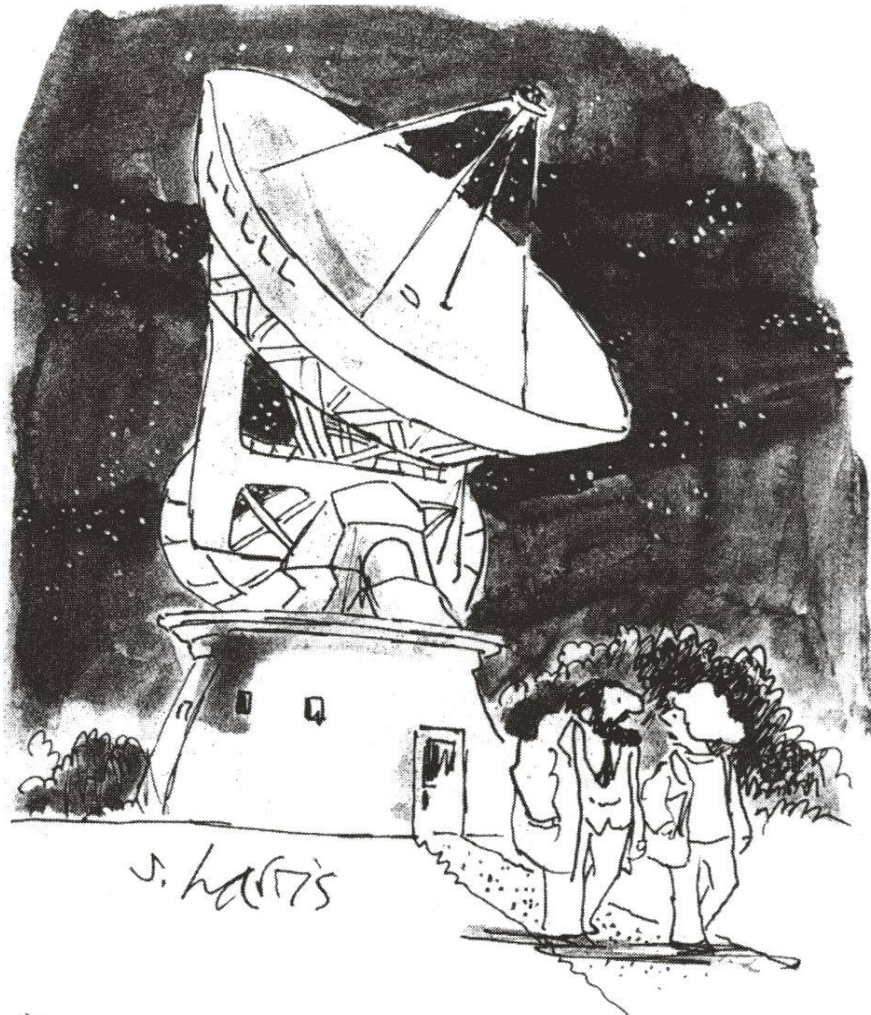


Perspectives on Nuclear Astrophysics and the role of DUSEL



"I'LL BE WORKING ON THE LARGEST AND SMALLEST
OBJECTS IN THE UNIVERSE

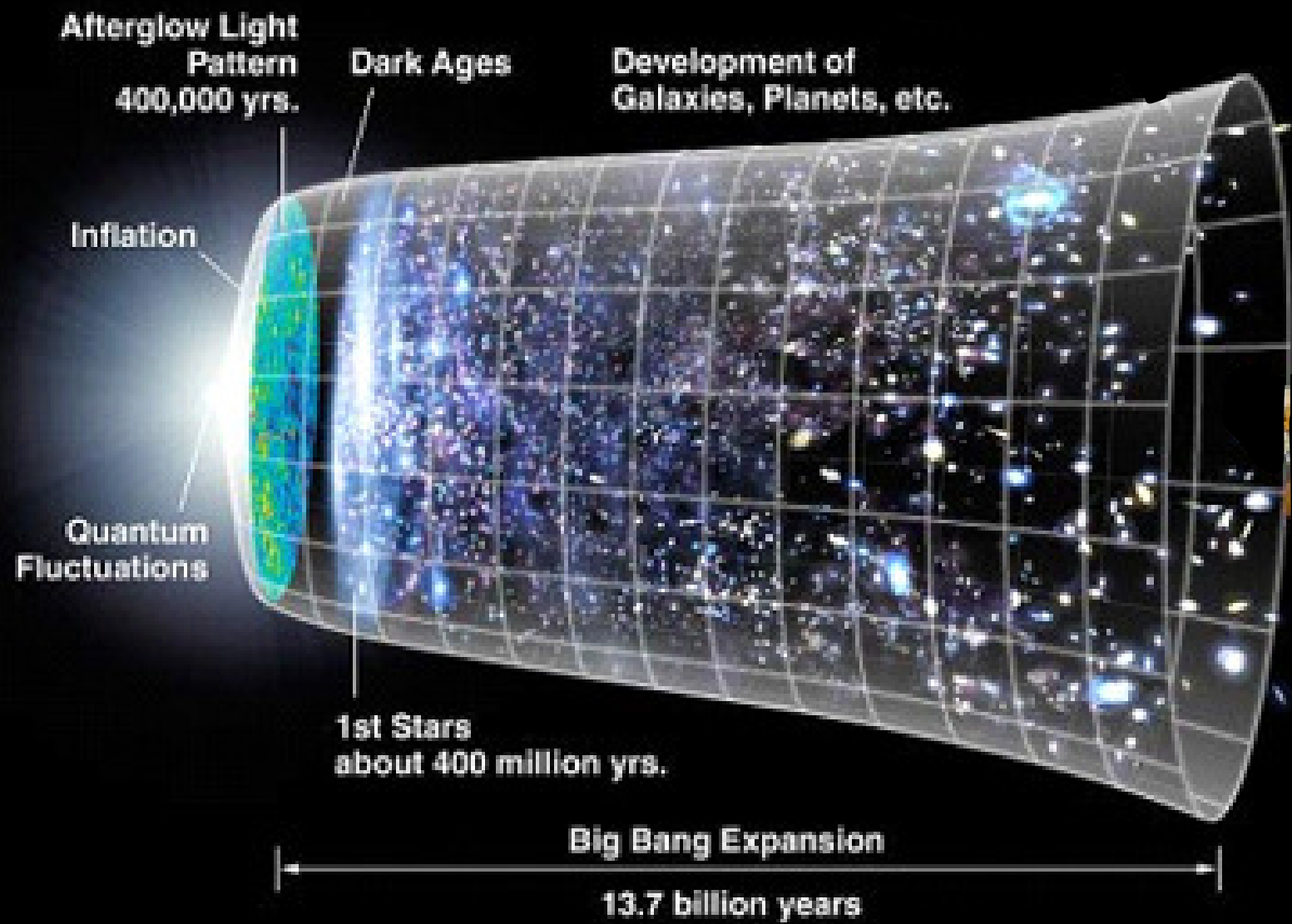
Nuclear Astrophysics is a broad field that needs facilities from 1keV-100GeV

A low energy accelerator DIANA at DUSEL is a unique instrument for probing key questions for the field

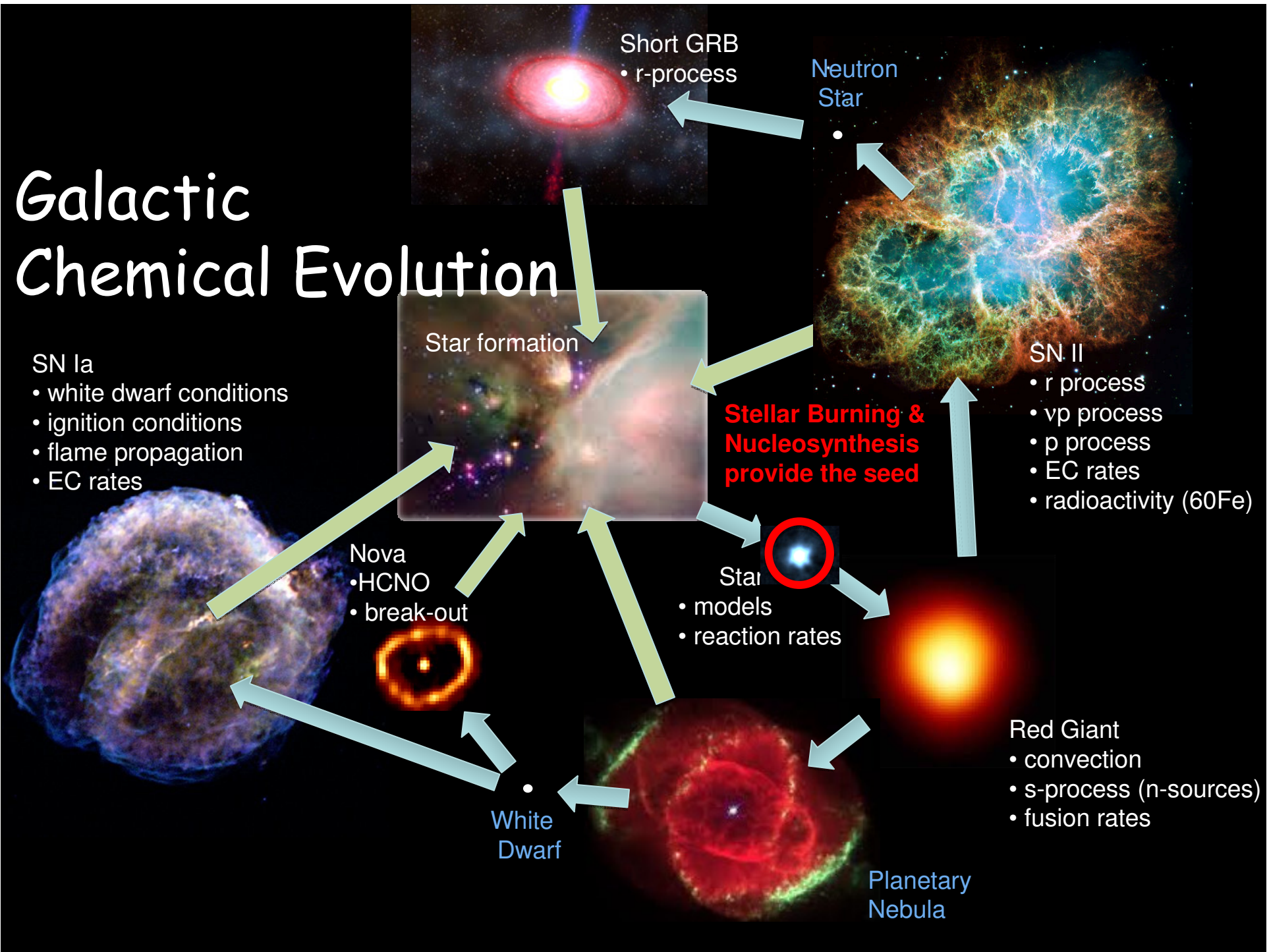
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- Nucleosynthesis sites
- Stellar nucleosynthesis
- Experimental challenges
- DIANA at DUSEL

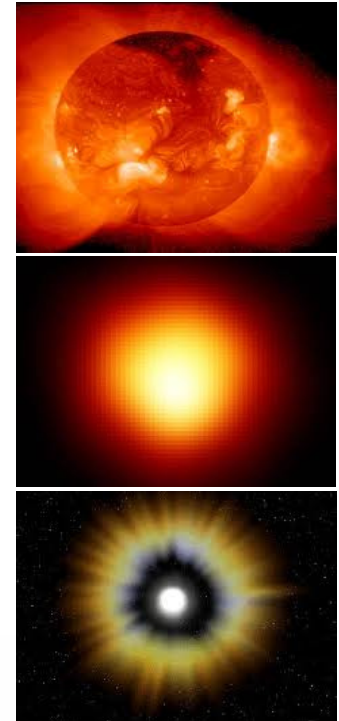
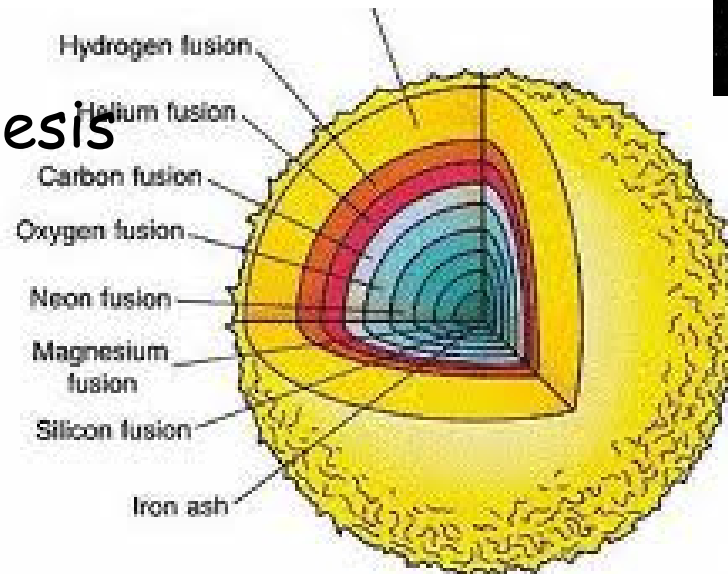


Galactic Chemical Evolution

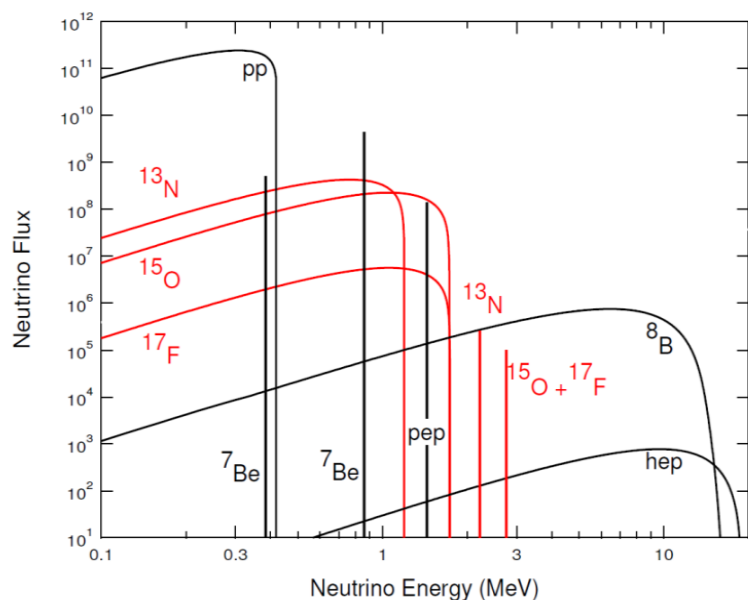


Origin of seed and fuel

- Hydrogen Burning: ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^{14}\text{N}$
- Helium Burning: ${}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^{16}\text{O}$, ${}^{22}\text{Ne}$, n , s -nuclei
- Carbon Burning: ${}^{16}\text{O}$, ${}^{20}\text{Ne}$, ${}^{24}\text{Mg}$... s -nuclei
- Ne-, O-, Si-Burning: onion structure of star seed for core collapse supernova nucleosynthesis



New signatures from stellar interiors



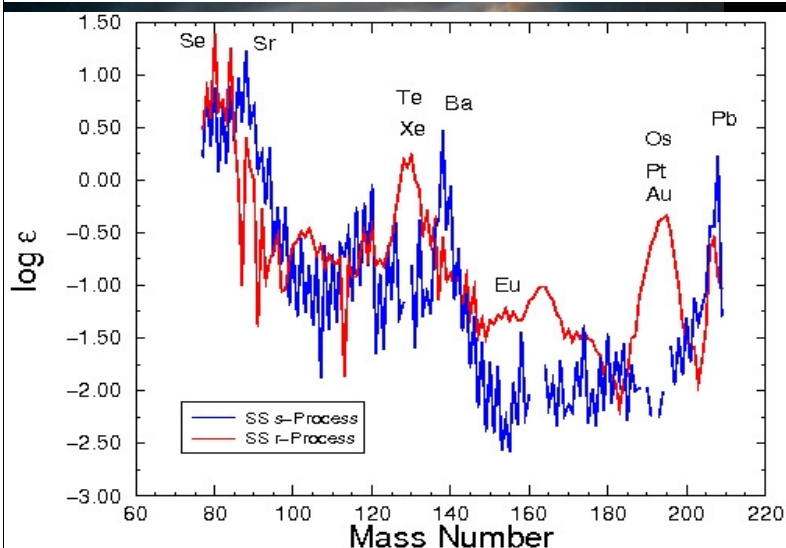
Solar neutrino problem
(pp-neutrino observations)
triggered neutrino physics!

CNO neutrinos scale with
solar core metallicity!

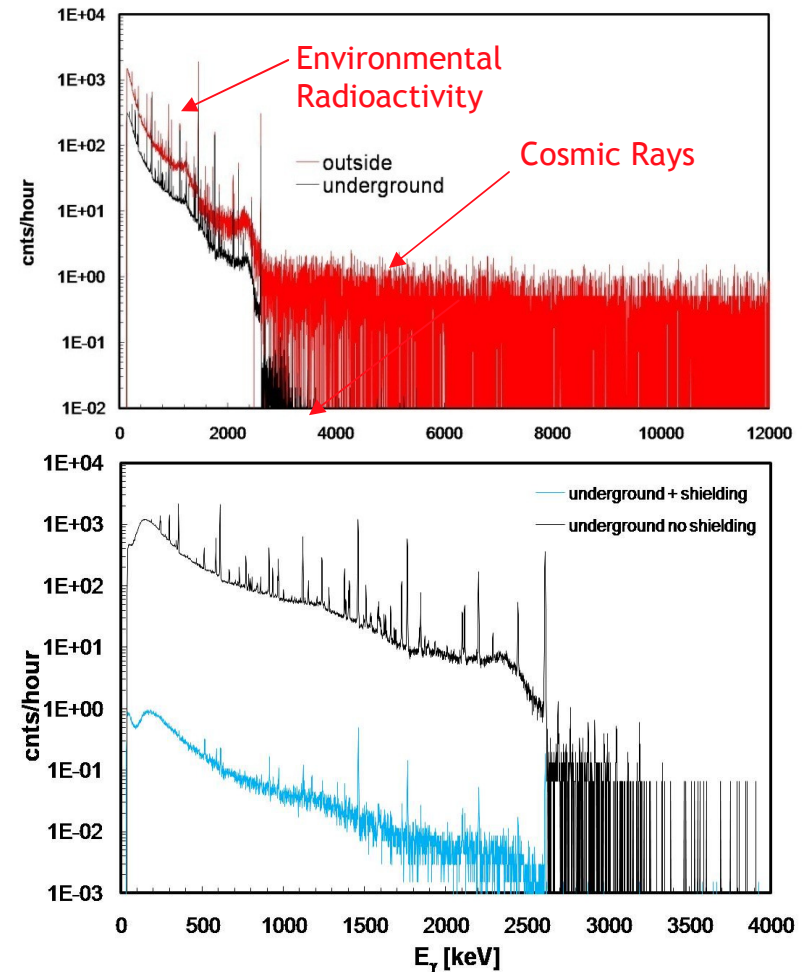
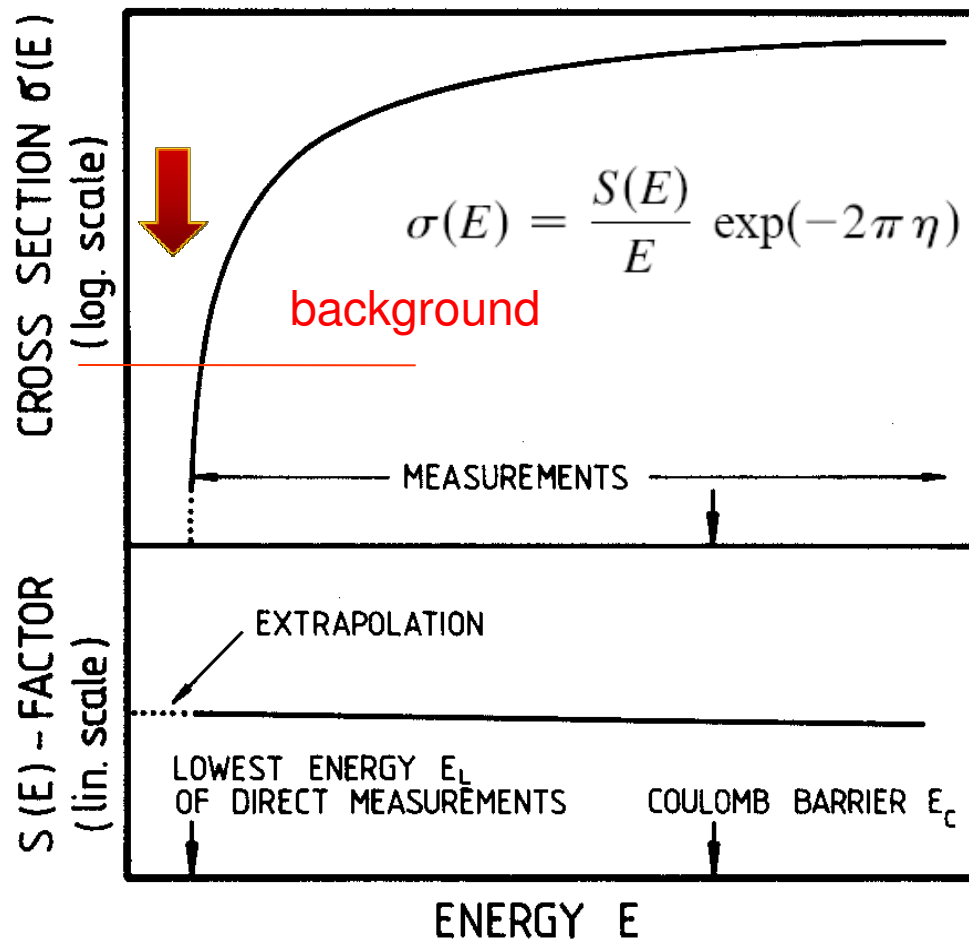
SN neutrinos scale core
collapse

Isotopic abundances from
Cosmo-Chemistry provide:

- Measure for neutron flux,
- Temperature & density
- Convective conditions
- Shock front environment



Why go underground?

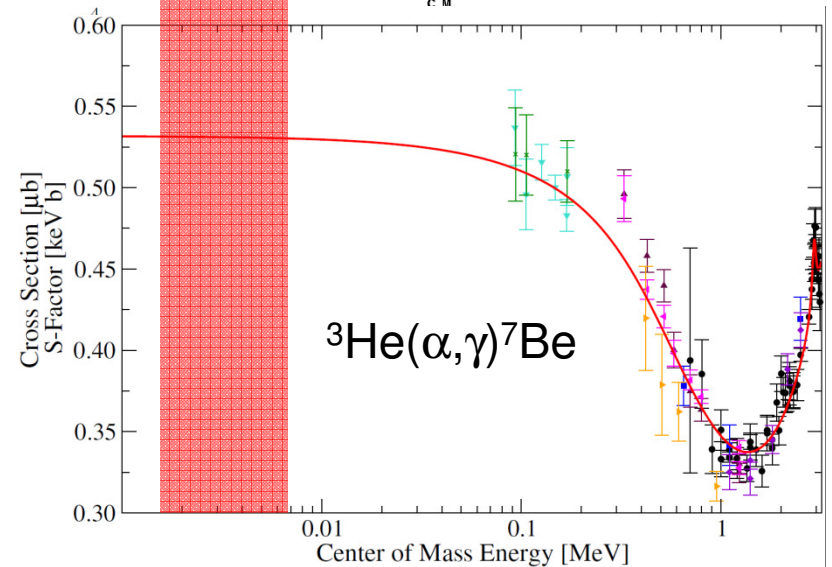
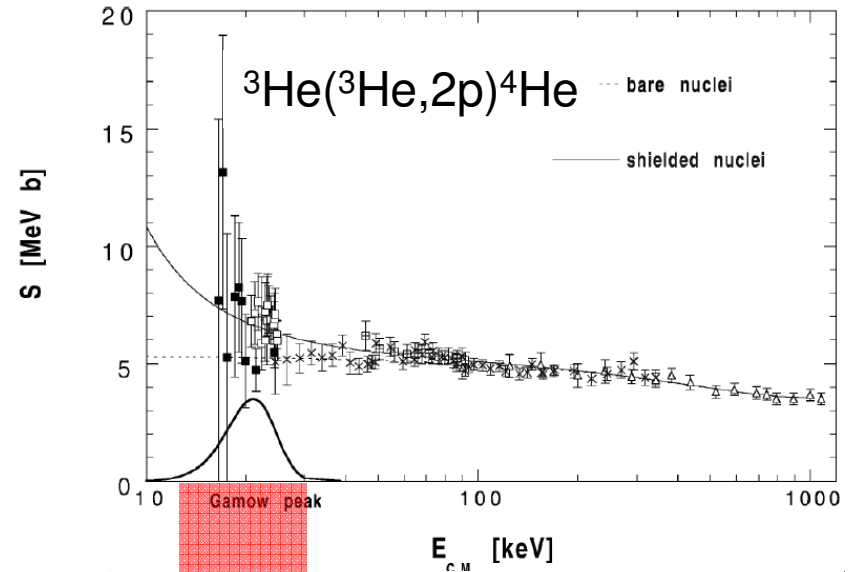
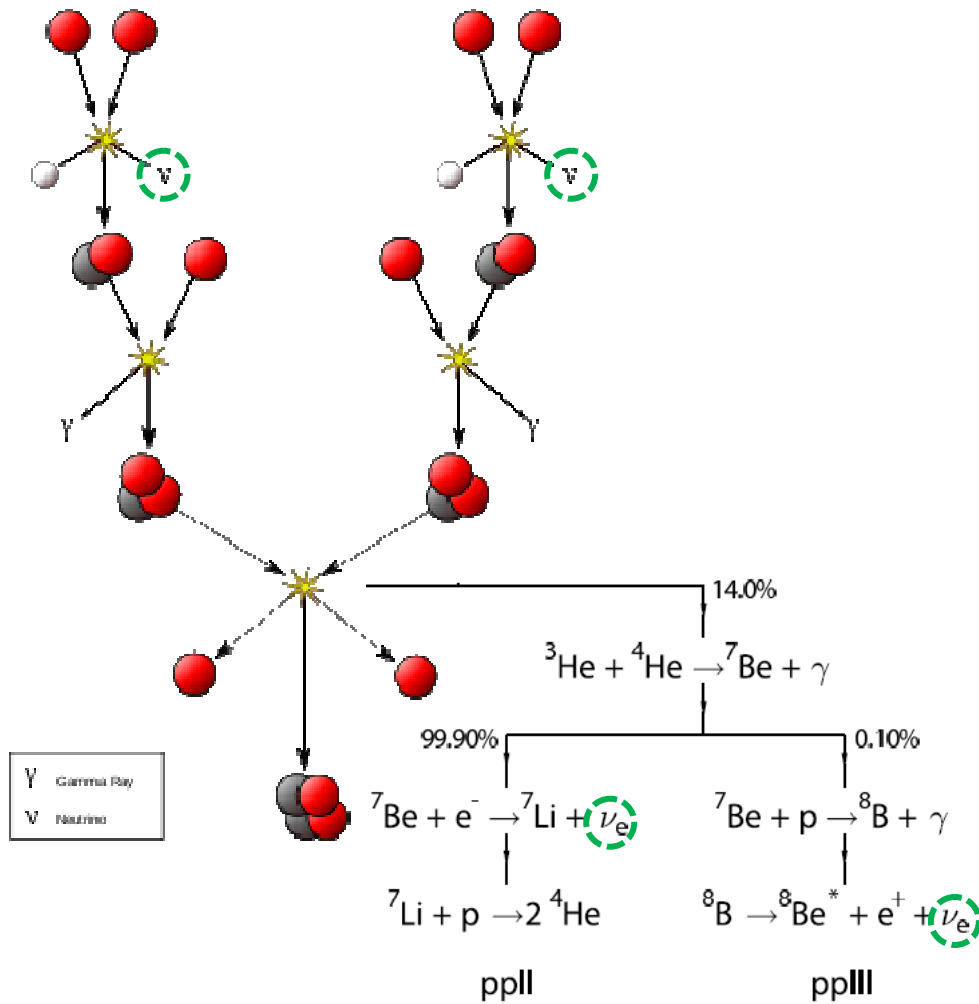


$$N_A \langle \sigma v \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi \cdot \mu}} \cdot (kT)^{-3/2} \cdot \int_0^\infty E \cdot \sigma(E) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{kT}\right) dE$$

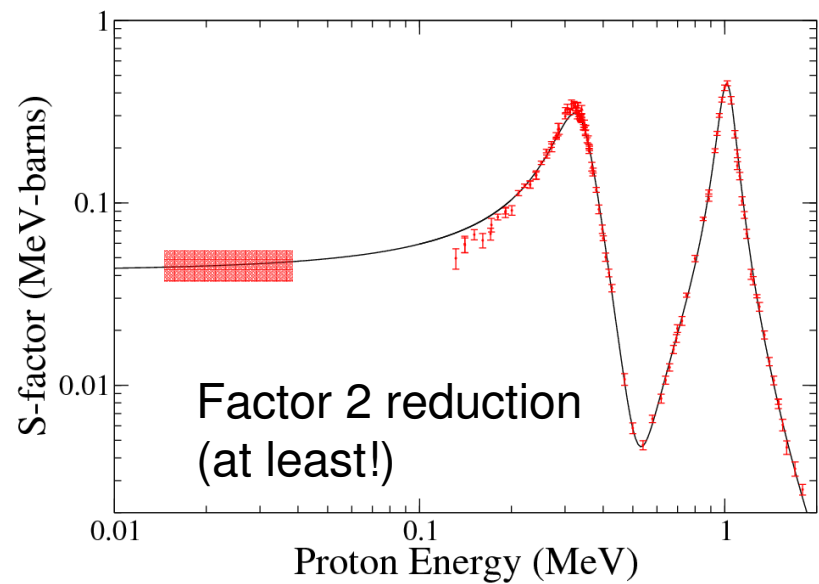
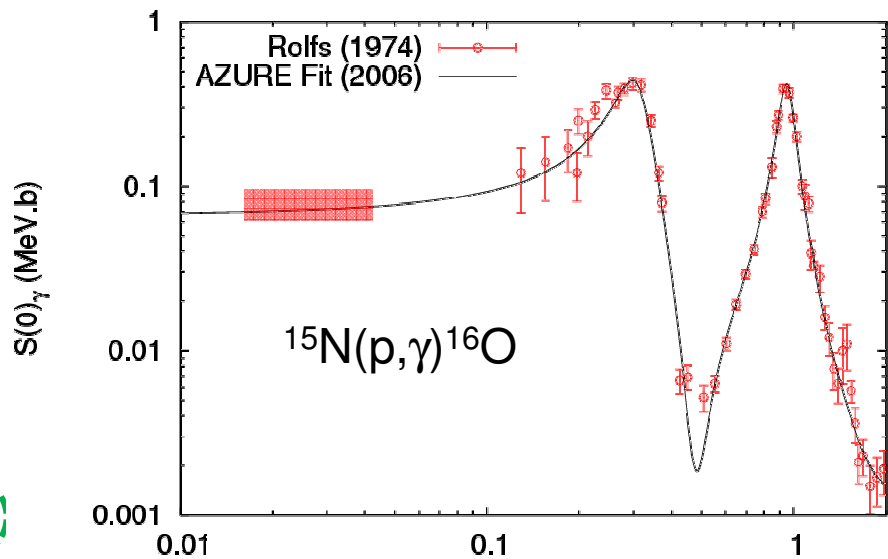
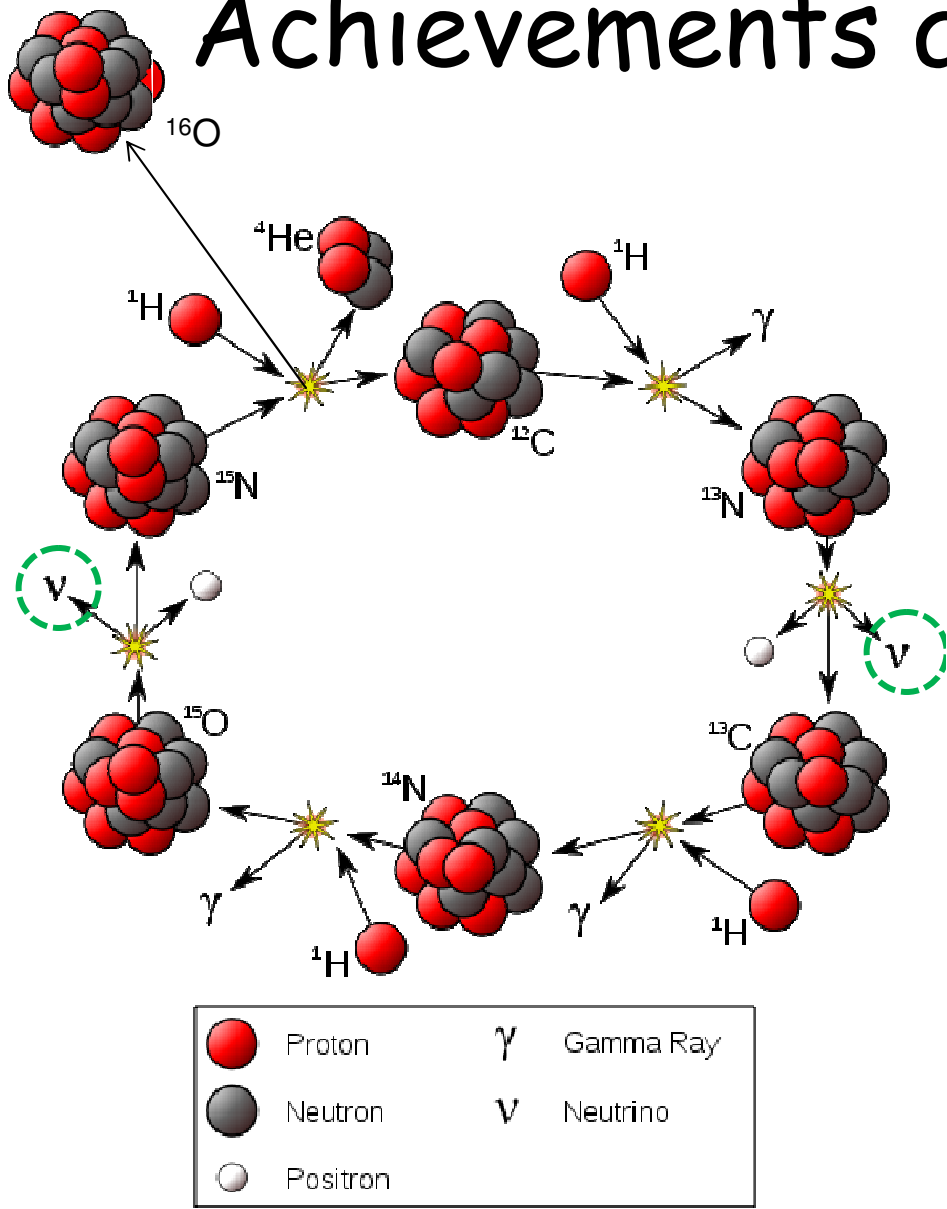
A first attempt of underground
accelerator



Achievements and Challenges

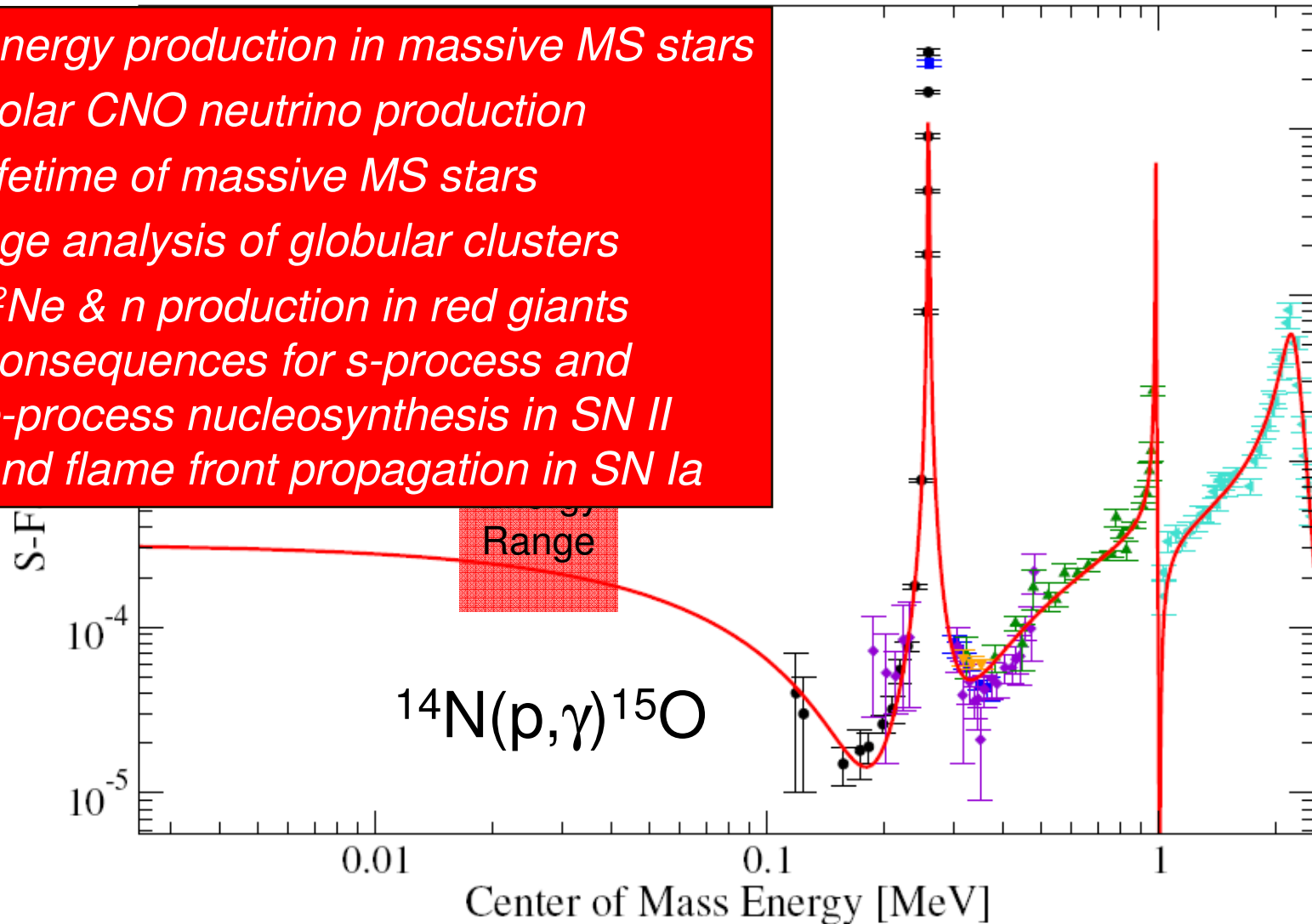


Achievements and Uncertainties

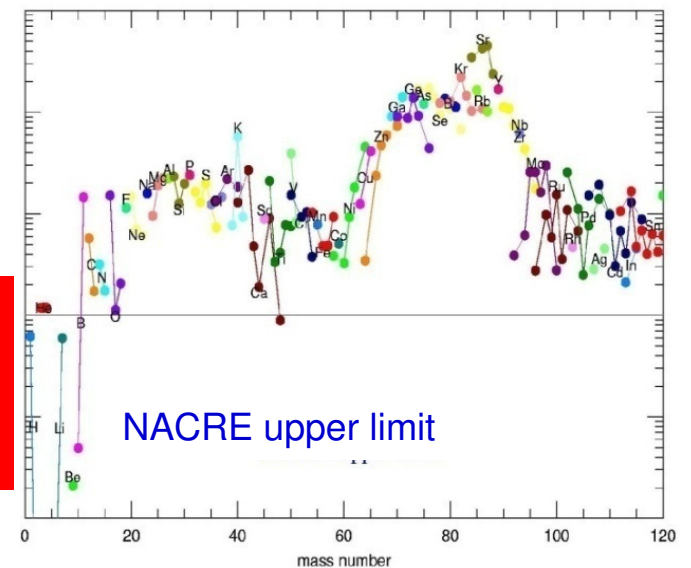
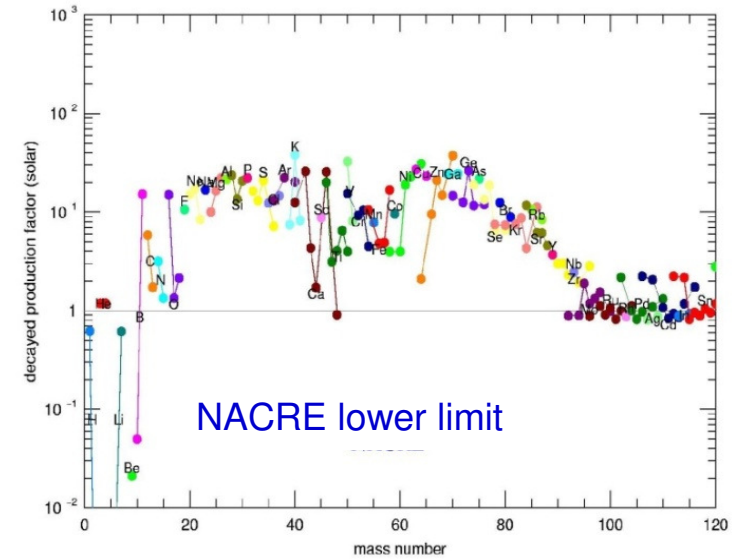
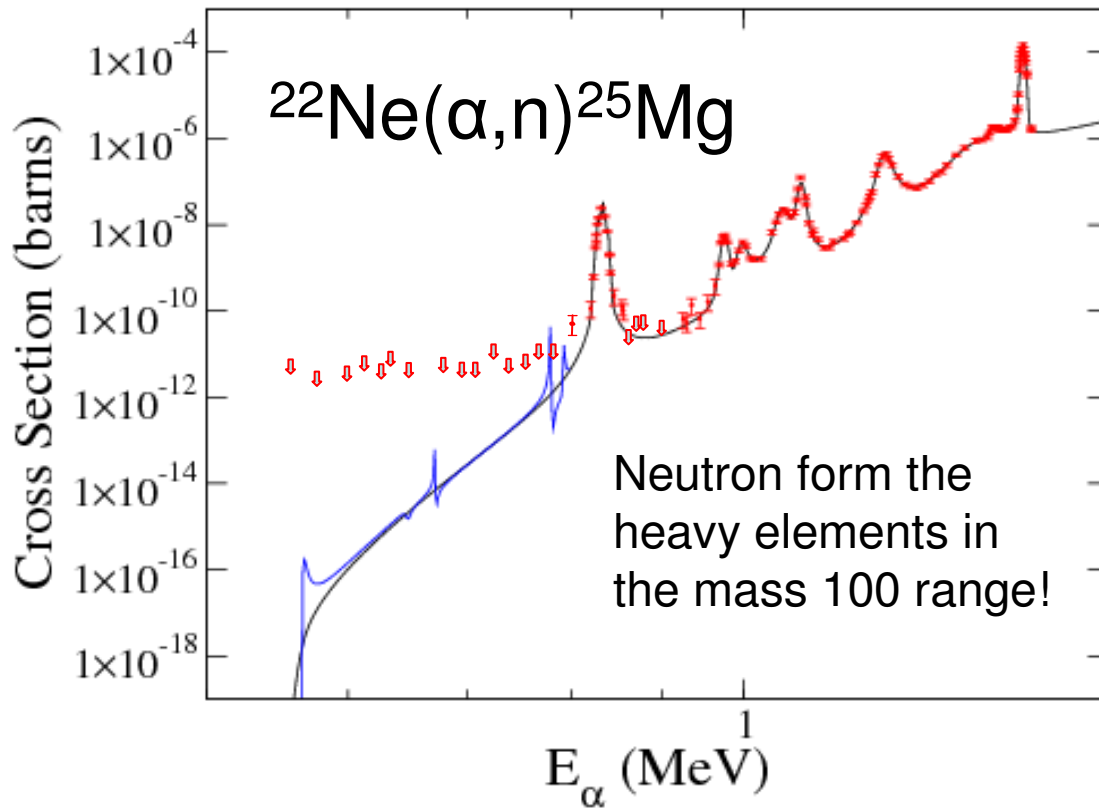


Achievements and Limitations

- energy production in massive MS stars
- solar CNO neutrino production
- lifetime of massive MS stars
- age analysis of globular clusters
- ^{22}Ne & n production in red giants
consequences for s -process and
 p -process nucleosynthesis in SN II
and flame front propagation in SN Ia



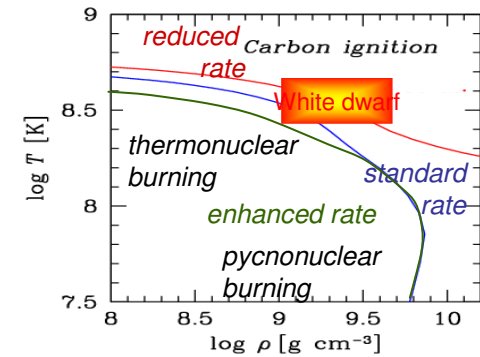
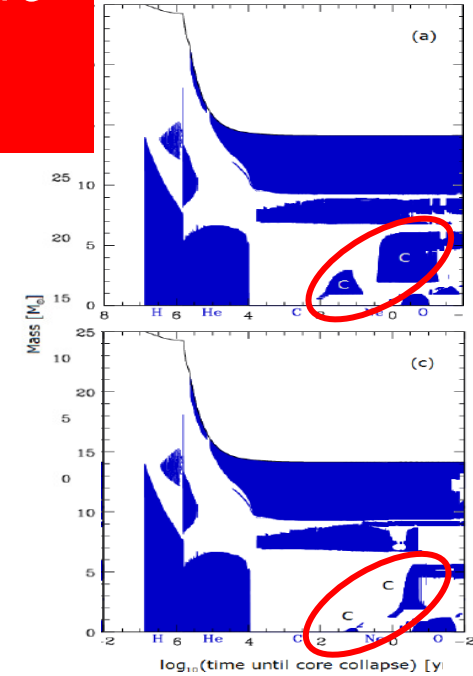
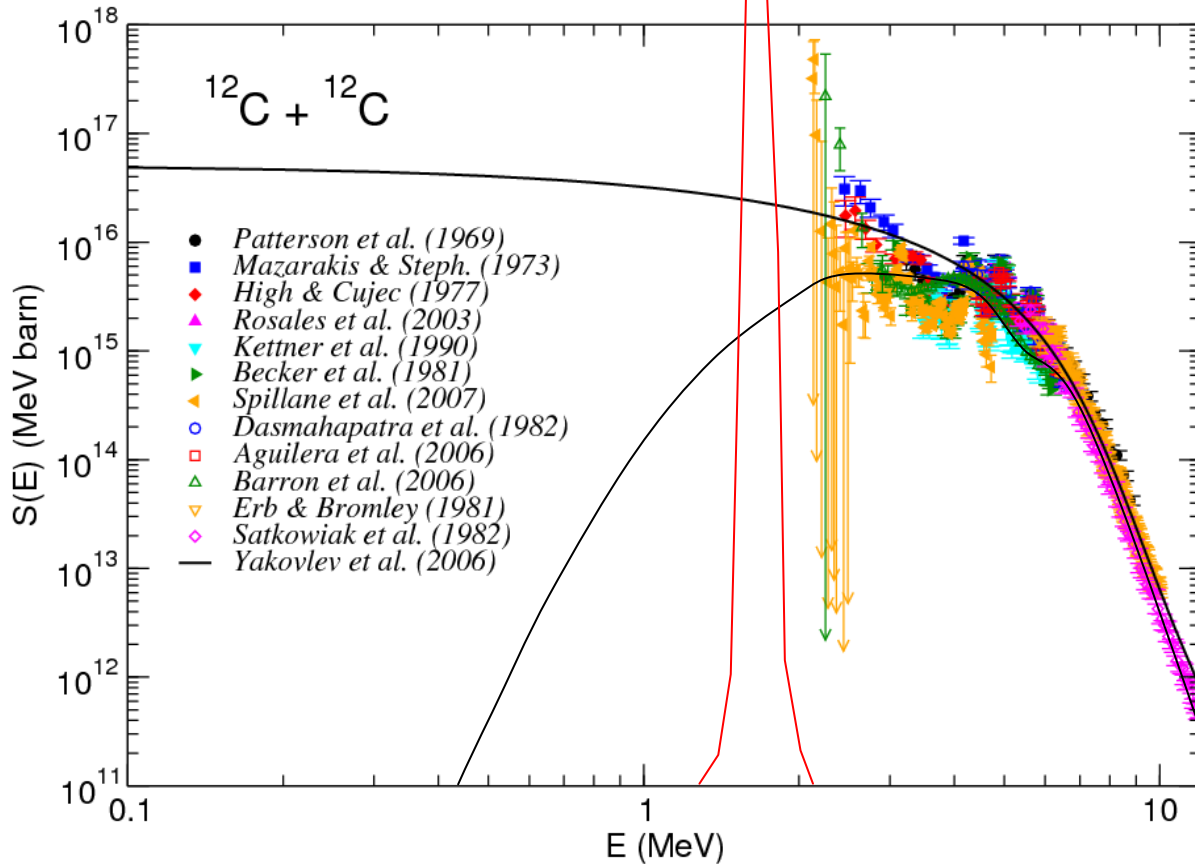
Nucleosynthesis in He Burning



Nucleosynthesis in Red Giant Stars
p-process in core collapse supernovae
Type Ia supernovae → Flame Front Propagation

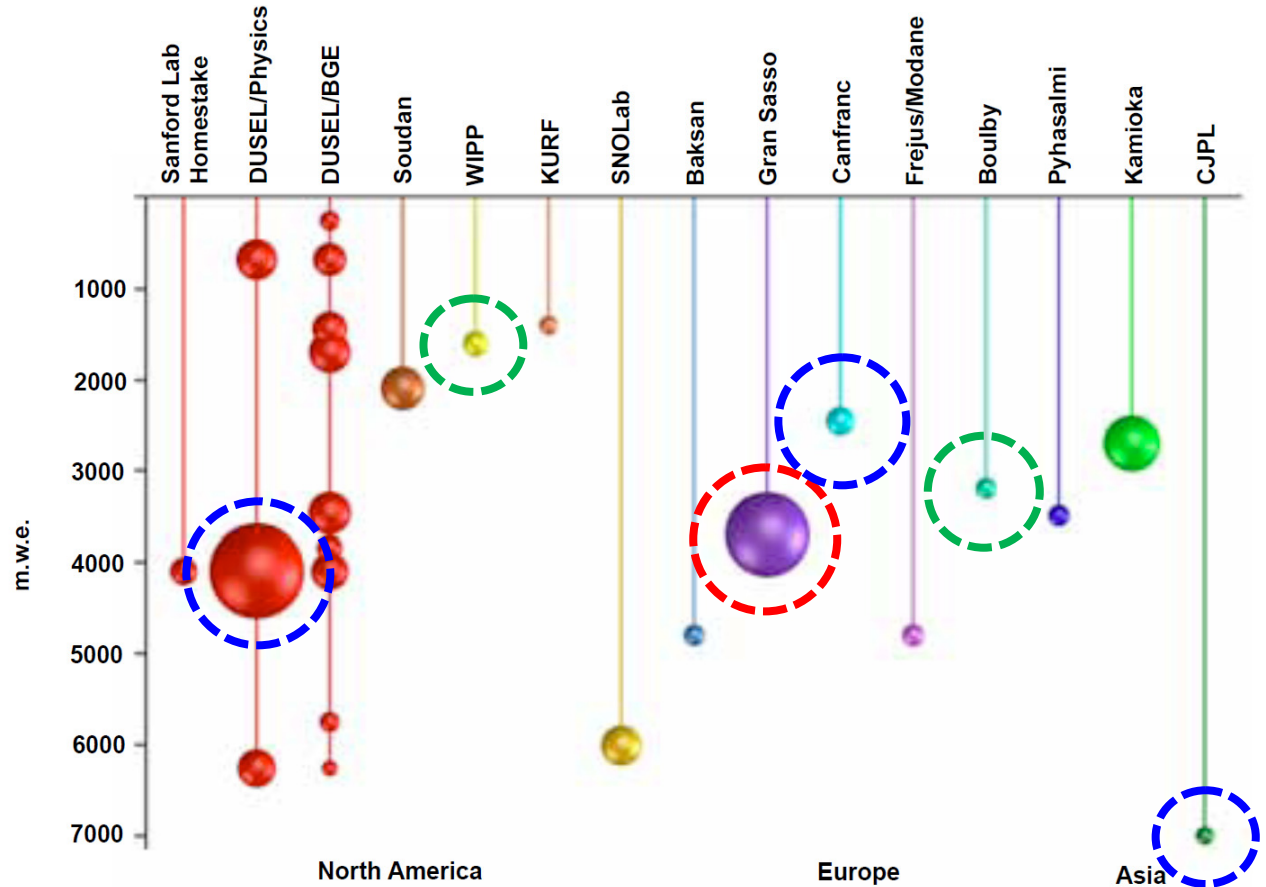
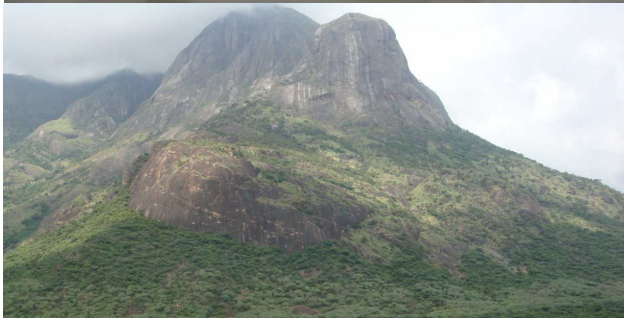
Low Energy Fusion Reactions

Late stellar evolution → disappearance of onion structure
 Type Ia supernovae → ignition conditions
 Superbursts → explosive carbon burning



The International Situation

in the underground accelerator business



New accelerator projects:
 Felsenkeller, Dresden, Germany
 FRENA at INO, Saha Institute, India

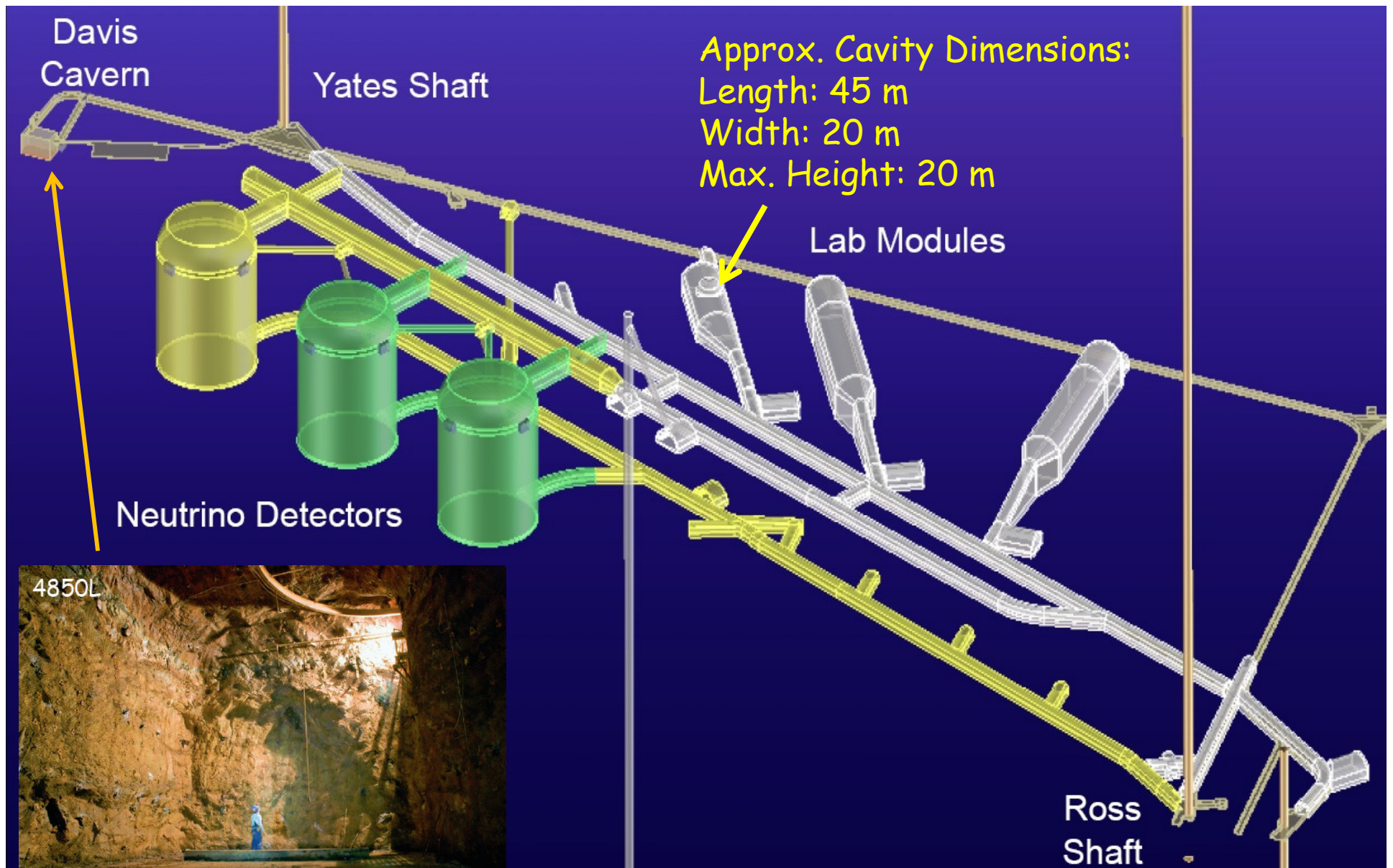


Why DIANA

- **Wide energy range** for covering **all** stellar burning phases, not just hydrogen burning
- **High beam currents** to extend measurements towards lower energies
- **High density target** with high power capabilities (confined gas jet & solid targets) to enhance luminosity
- **Advanced detector design** for active background rejection & event identification



Proposed location in DUSEL

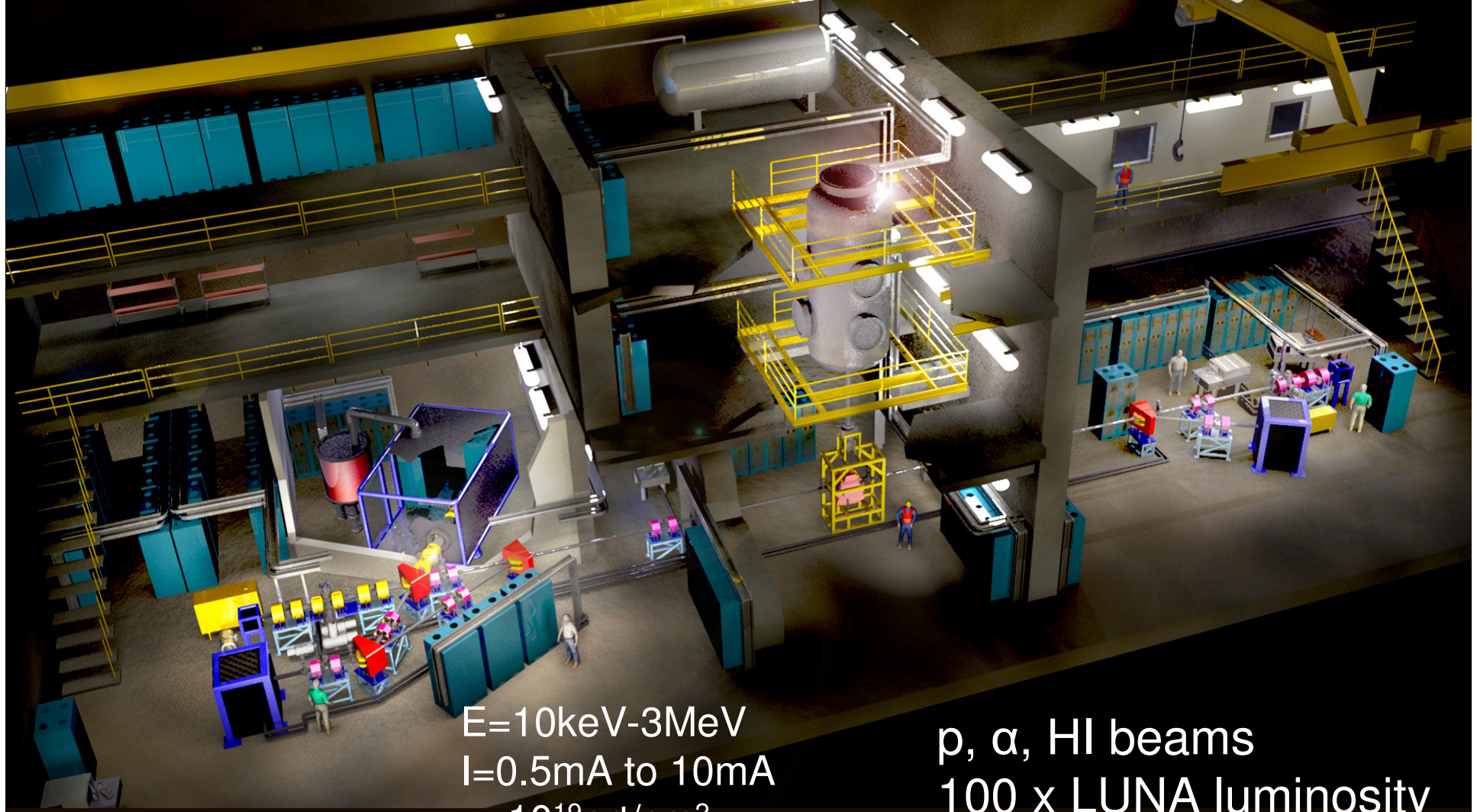




DIANA design

Technical achievements:

New acceleration tube design
SC solenoid beam guide system
High density jet confinement



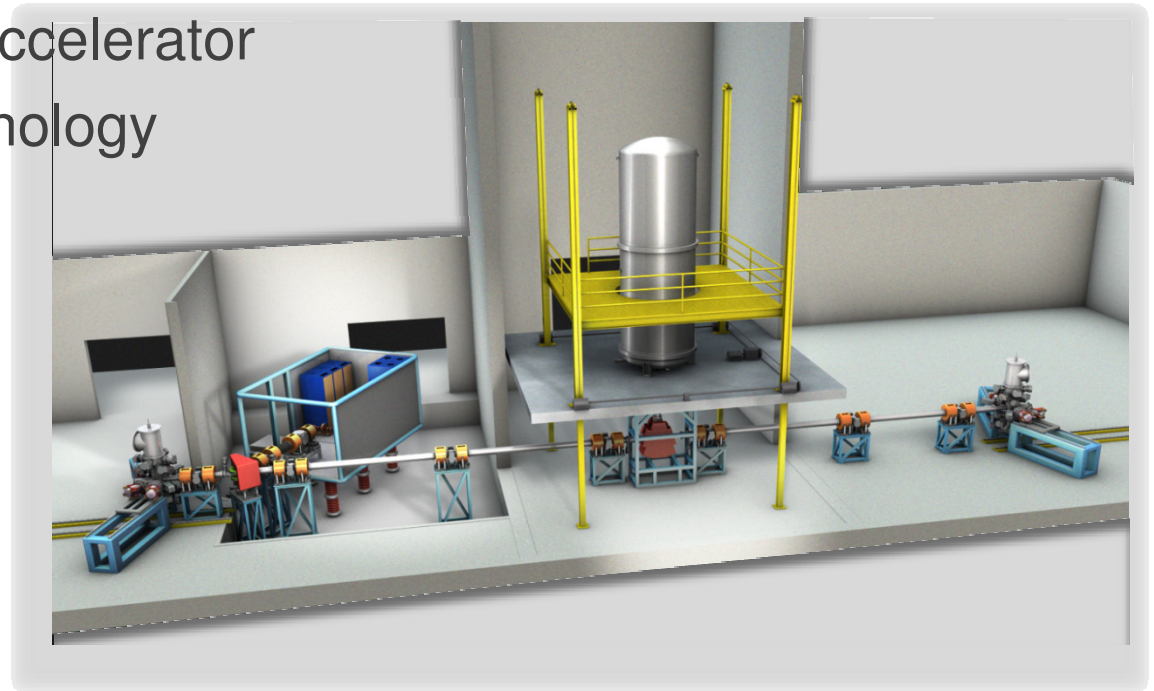
$E=10\text{keV}-3\text{MeV}$
 $I=0.5\text{mA to }10\text{mA}$
 $\rho=10^{19}\text{prt/cm}^2$

$p, \alpha, \text{HI beams}$
 $100 \times \text{LUNA luminosity}$



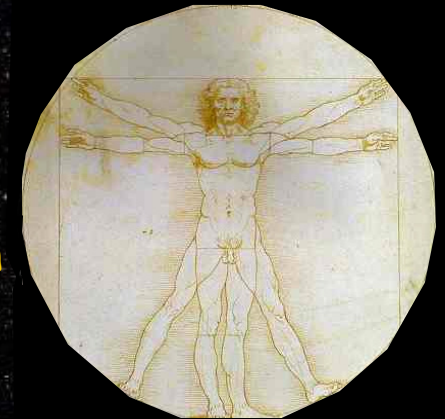
Facility Status

- Unique experimental facility, will ensure US leadership in this area
- Growing international interest & collaboration (invited talks at NIC2010 & INPC2010, 3 review papers in 2010)
- Technical progress is in accelerator beam optics and jet technology
- DIANA will be ready for installation in 2017 (as soon as Lab module becomes available)



Each atom in our body was created and processed through ~10-100 star generations since the beginning of time!

We are made of star stuff
Carl Sagan



Low energy reactions provide the key for disseminating the chemical evolution of the universe from Big Bang to us!

${}^1\text{H}+{}^1\text{H}$
 ${}^3\text{He}+\alpha$
 ${}^{14}\text{N}+\text{p}$
 ${}^{12}\text{C}+\alpha$
 ${}^{22}\text{Ne}+\alpha$
 ${}^{12}\text{C}+{}^{12}\text{C}$

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