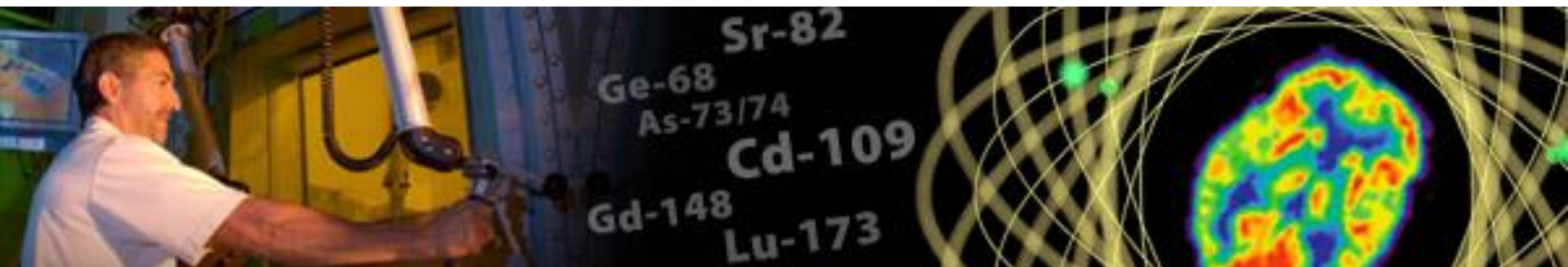




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The DOE Isotope Program Perspective on Nuclear Data



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Connecting the humans behind the nuclear data
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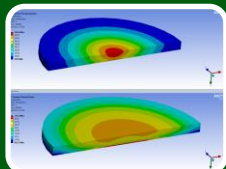
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Produce and/or distribute radioactive and stable isotopes that are in short supply; includes by-products, surplus materials and related isotope services



Maintain the infrastructure required to produce and supply priority isotope products and related service



Conduct R&D on new and improved isotope production and processing techniques which can make available priority isotopes for research and application. Develop workforce.

DOE IP is both a producer and consumer of nuclear data.

Briefly:

- 1) We produce isotopes in short supply**
- 2) We develop novel, cutting edge, approaches to isotope production (often the only producer globally)**
- 3) As the facilities we utilize are upgraded or newly commissioned (FRIB), we need to be able to optimize production**
- 4) This means we need a lot of new and updated nuclear data**

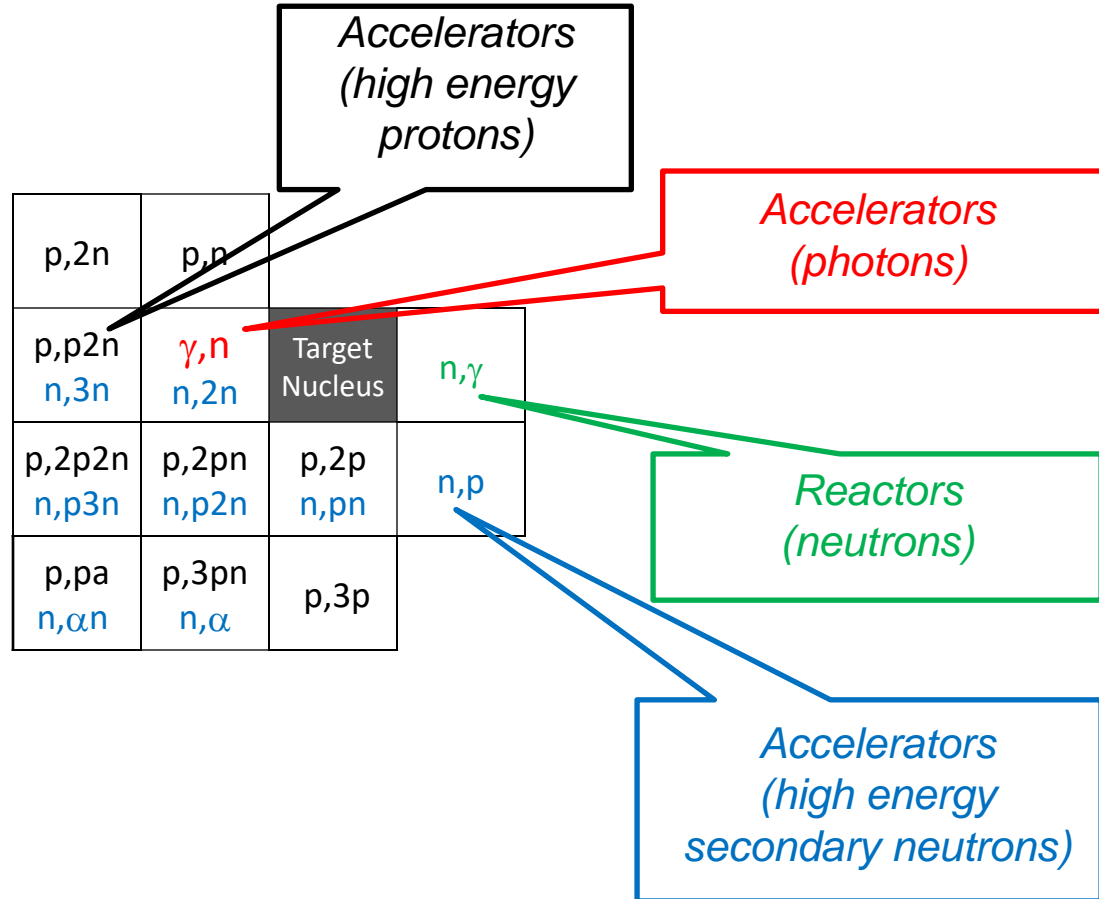


- **Cross sections for reactor production**

- Effective cross sections
- Excitation functions

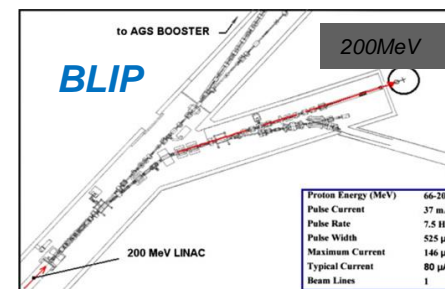
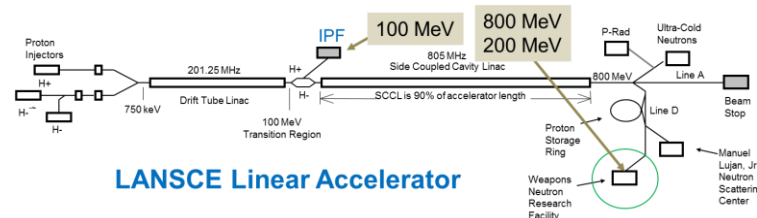
- **Energy resolved cross sections for accelerator production with**

- High energy protons
- High energy neutrons
- Photons



- Expanding measurement capability to multiple facilities to better cover proton energy ranges up to 200 MeV

- Berkeley (<60 MeV) - includes Faraday cup style chamber for monitor reaction measurements
- LANL – IPF (40-100 MeV) – includes new low beam current measurement capability for monitor reaction measurements (100 nA with 1% accuracy)
- BNL – BLIP (100-200 MeV)





- **High Energy Protons**
 - Th+p for production of therapy isotopes ^{225}Ac , ^{227}Th and ^{223}Ra
 - $^{\text{nat}}\text{Sb}$, $^{121}\text{Sb}+\text{p}$ for production of $^{119}\text{Te}/^{119}\text{Sb}$, a promising Auger e-emitter for therapy
 - La+p for production of $^{134}\text{Ce}/^{134}\text{La}$ (PET analogues for ^{225}Ac and ^{227}Th)
 - Fe+p, Cu+p for production $^{52\text{g}}\text{Mn}$, ^{54}Mn , ^{48}Cr , ^{55}Co , $^{58\text{m}}\text{Co}$, ^{57}Ni
 - Nb+p for $^{93}\text{Nb}(\text{p},4\text{n})^{90}\text{Mo}$ as monitor reaction
 - As+p for production of ^{72}Se – generator for ^{72}As (PET imaging isotope of the $^{72}\text{As}/^{77}\text{As}$ theranostic pair)

- **High Energy Neutrons**
 - Production of $^{193\text{m}}\text{Pt}$, $^{64}\text{Cu}/^{67}\text{Cu}$, ^{47}Sc , ^{77}As via (n,p)

- **Photonuclear**
 - $^{48}\text{Ti}(\gamma,\text{p})^{47}\text{Sc}$, $^{196}\text{Pt}(\gamma,\text{n})^{195\text{m}}\text{Pt}$

- **Low energies**
 - $^{232}\text{Th}(\text{p},\text{x})^{229}\text{Th}$ for production of $^{229}\text{Th}/^{225}\text{Ac}$
 - $^{238}\text{U}(\text{p},\text{xn})$ and $^{235}\text{U}(\text{d},\text{xn})^{235-237}\text{Np}$ for Production of $^{236\text{g}}\text{Np}$

- **The need for reliable evaluated nuclear data is true across all user communities**
 - **Neutron induced reactions for isotope production**

- **Isotope Production is not limited to neutron induced reactions**
- **At best charged particle data is old**
- **Many times it is non-existent**
 - **Charged particle Evaluated Nuclear Data File or ChENDF**
 - Evaluated Reliable Resource
 - Underpinned by predictive codes

- **DOE IP has, and will continue to have, significant nuclear data needs requiring investment from it's R&D portfolio.**
- **Our investments have a direct impact on the products and services that we are able to provide.**
- **Pathways exist for programs to partner with us to accelerate and/or add scope to our ongoing activities.**



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