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*Physics at Laboratori Nazionali del Sud:
from nuclear dynamics to radiotherapy applications*

*INFN-LNS, INFN-Sezione di Milano, IPN-Orsay and Rochester University
collaboration*

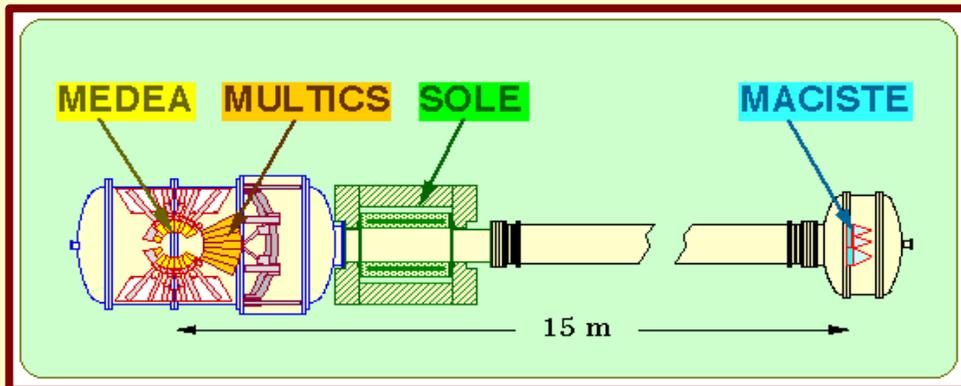
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Main topics:

-  Entrance channel charge asymmetry effects on nuclear dynamics
-  Reaction cross sections of interest in radiotherapy with ion beams
-  Study of exotic nuclei produced in projectile fragmentation

The apparatus



MEDEA

$30^{\circ} \leq \vartheta \leq 170^{\circ}$
 γ - rays , LCP

MULTICS

$3^{\circ} \leq \vartheta \leq 28^{\circ}$
IMF, LCP,
PLF, ER

MACISTE

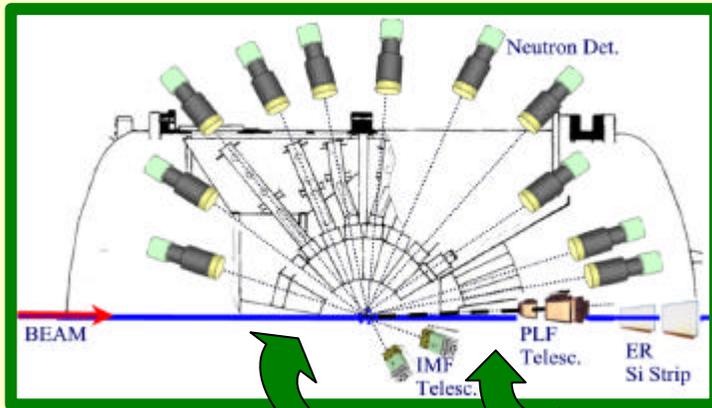
$\vartheta \leq 6^{\circ}$
PLF, ER

- **MEDEA:** 180 20 cm thick BaF_2 modules
- **MULTICS:** 56 I.C., Si, CsI telescopes
- **SOLE:** Superconducting solenoid to collect forward products
- **MACISTE:** 8 gas-plastic position sensitive telescopes

Present status

Isospin effects on nuclear dynamics

(collaboration INFN - Rochester University)



MEDEA

MULTICS

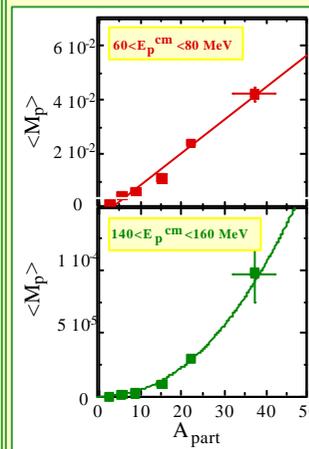
The experiment has been performed in May 2001 with Superconducting Cyclotron beams. The MEDEA - MULTICS apparatus has been upgraded to detect also neutrons and heavy residues and to increase the angular range for IMF detection. Simultaneous measurement of such a large number of species in different Ni + Sn isotope reactions has produced a whole and consistent set of data whose interpretation should greatly improve the knowledge of the nuclear potential asymmetry term.

MACISTE detector tests

- ❖ The dependence of the scintillator and drift chamber responses on the impact point has been studied.

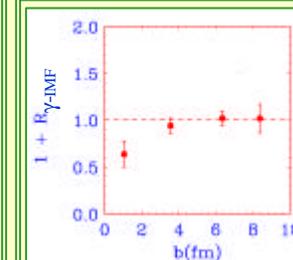
Planned experiments (approved by LNS PAC)

- ❖ Characterization of reaction products for radiotherapeutic purposes
- ❖ Characterization of exotic PLF's (collaboration INFN - IPN Orsay)



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Quadratic dependence of extremely energetic proton multiplicity on the mean number of participants: an evidence of the onset of mechanisms beyond mean field and two body nucleon-nucleon collisions.



Thermal photons - IMF anticorrelation: an evidence of the onset of prompt fragmentation in 45 A MeV Ni + Au central collisions.