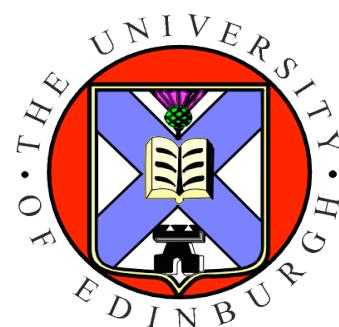




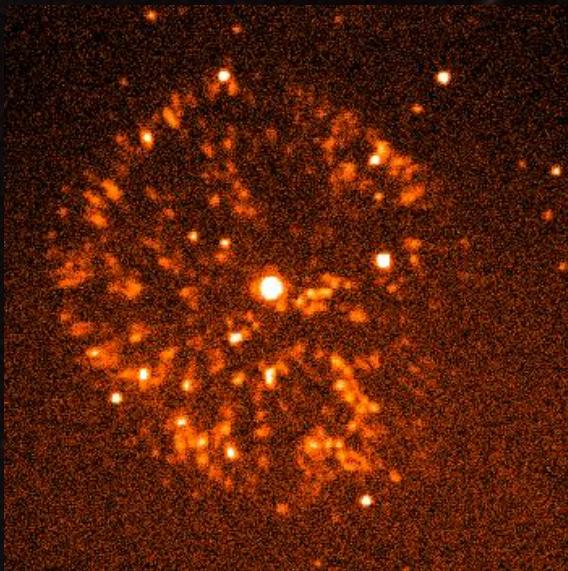
# *Resonances in $^{19}\text{Ne}$ with relevance to the astrophysically important $^{18}\text{F}(p,\alpha)^{15}\text{O}$ reaction*

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# Motivation



GK Persei



Discovered 1901,  
**Thomas David Anderson,**  
...in Edinburgh

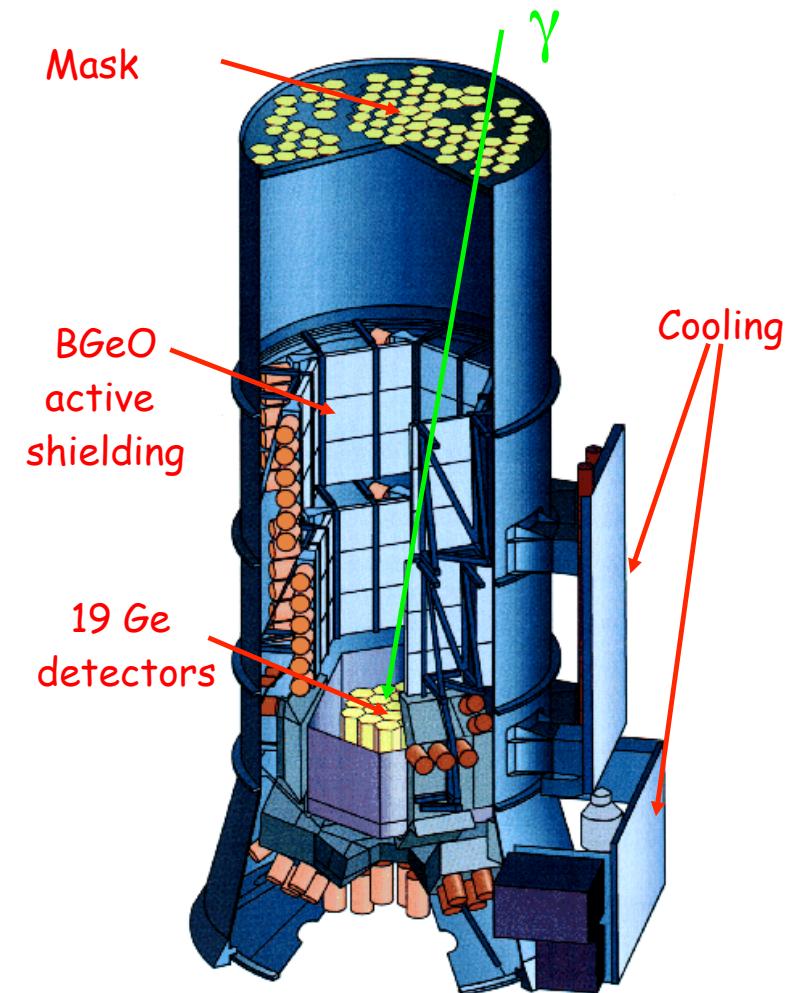
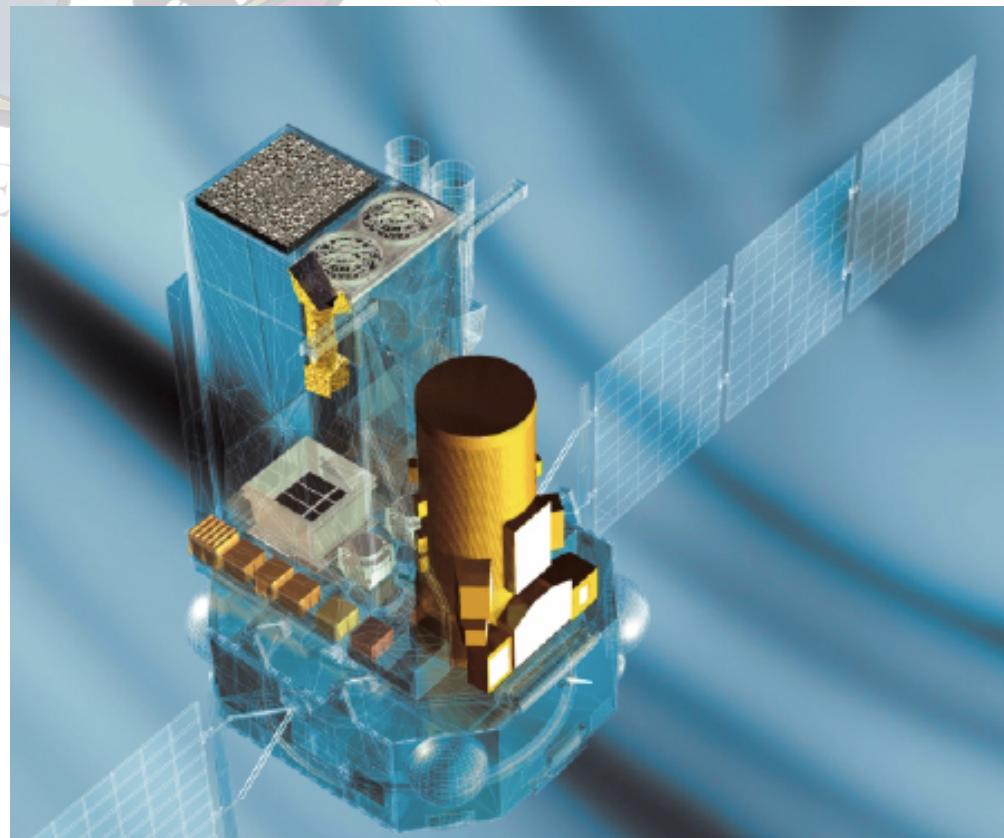


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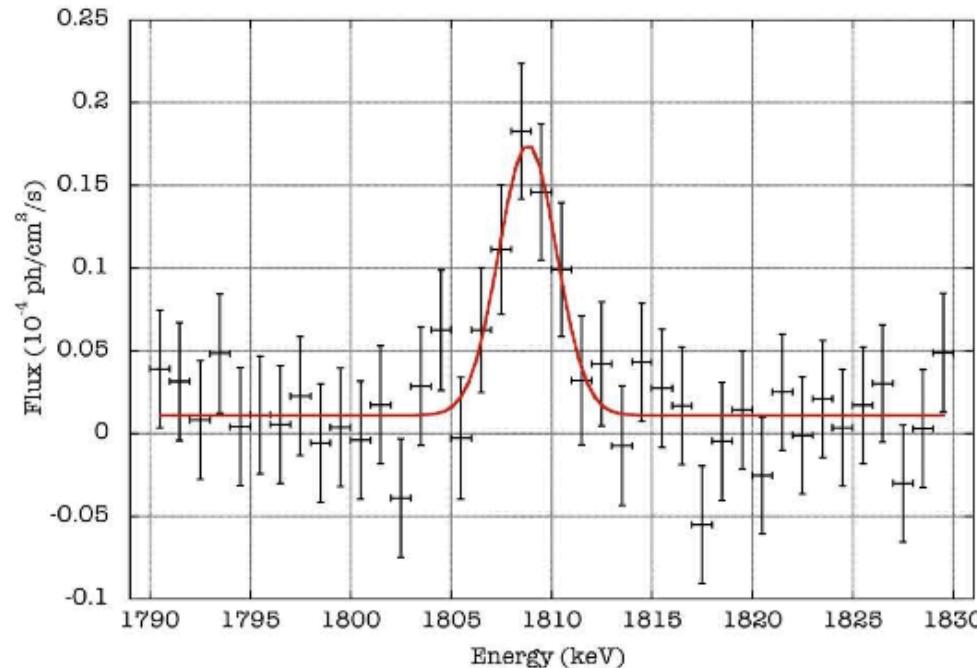


# INTEGRAL SPI



## New estimates of the gamma-ray line emission of the Cygnus region from INTEGRAL/SPI observations

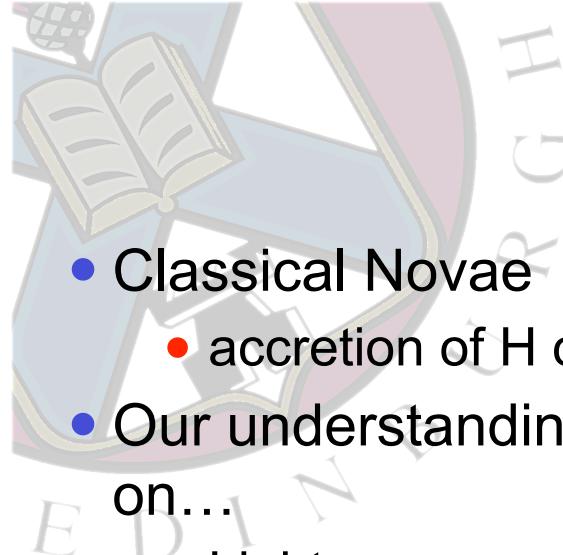
Pierrick Martin<sup>1,2</sup>, Jürgen Knölseder<sup>1,2</sup>, Roland Diehl<sup>3</sup>, and Georges Meynet<sup>4</sup>



**Fig. 1.** Spectrum of the 1809 keV emission from the Cygnus region, from about 4 years of INTEGRAL/SPI observations. The red line represents the best Gaussian fit to the data points.

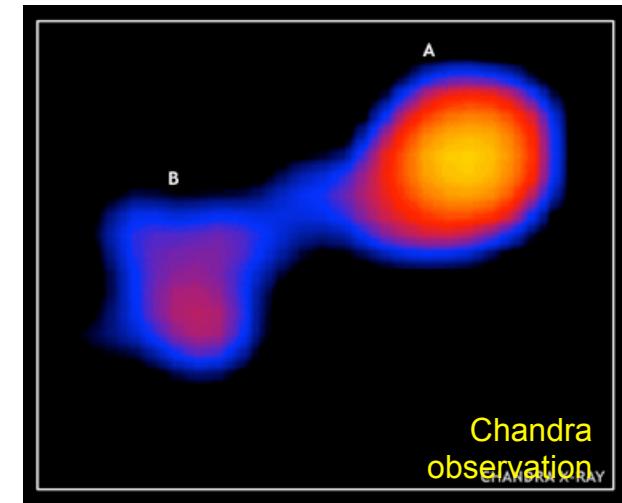
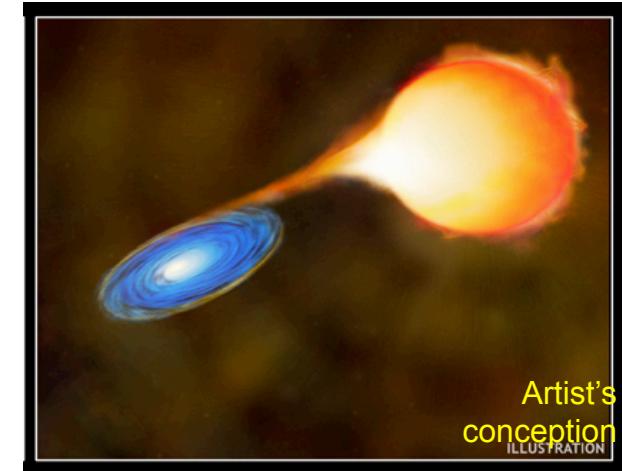
# Astrophysical Gamma Ray Emitters

Nucleus	lifetime	Emission	Source
$^{13}\text{B}$	862 s	511 keV	CO Novae ONe Novae
$^{18}\text{F}$	158 m	511 keV	
$^7\text{Be}$	77 d	478 keV	CO Novae
$^{22}\text{Na}$	3.75 yr	1275 keV	
$^{26}\text{Al}$	1.0 Myr	1809 keV	WR, CC SNe?
$^{44}\text{Ti}$	87 yr	1157 keV	CC SNe
$^{60}\text{Fe}$	2.2 Myr	1173,1333 keV	CC SNe

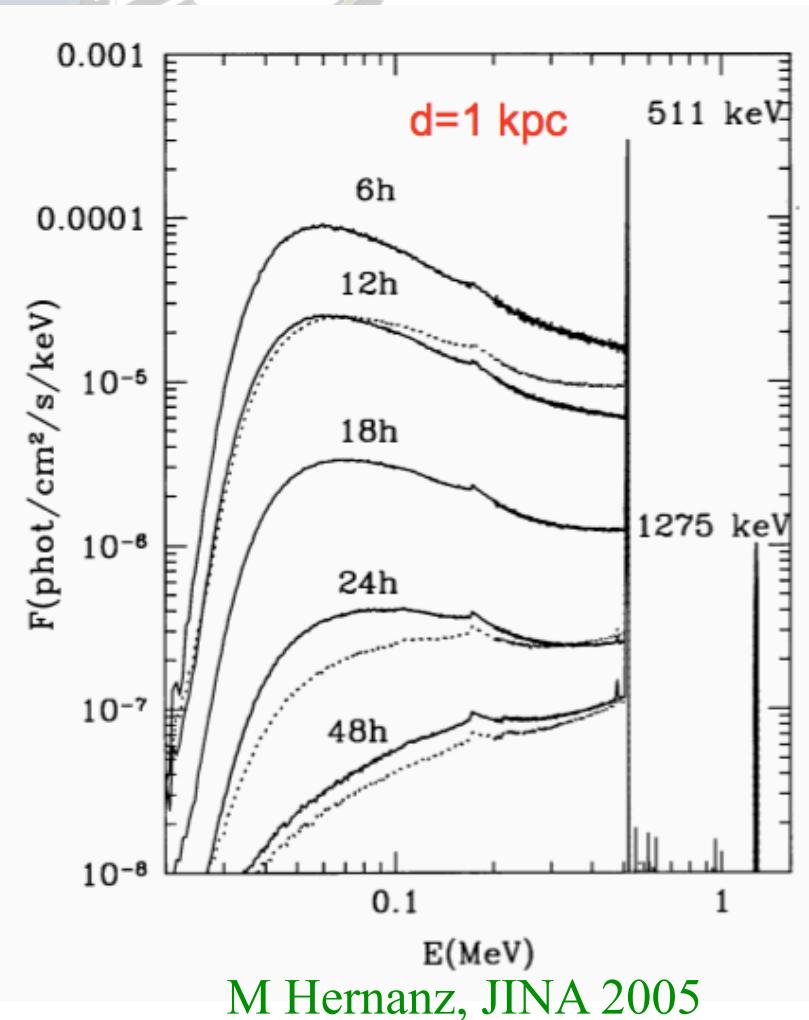


# Motivation

- Classical Novae
  - accretion of H on CO or ONe WD
- Our understanding to date is based on...
  - Light curves
  - Spectra
  - Meteoritic data
- Problems...
  - Limited information in light curves
  - Spectra give *chemical* abundances
  - Spectra give  $\sim$ *final* abundances
  - Meteoritic data also is ‘delayed’ & complex
- A better probe would be **gamma-rays**



# Gamma ray probes of Novae



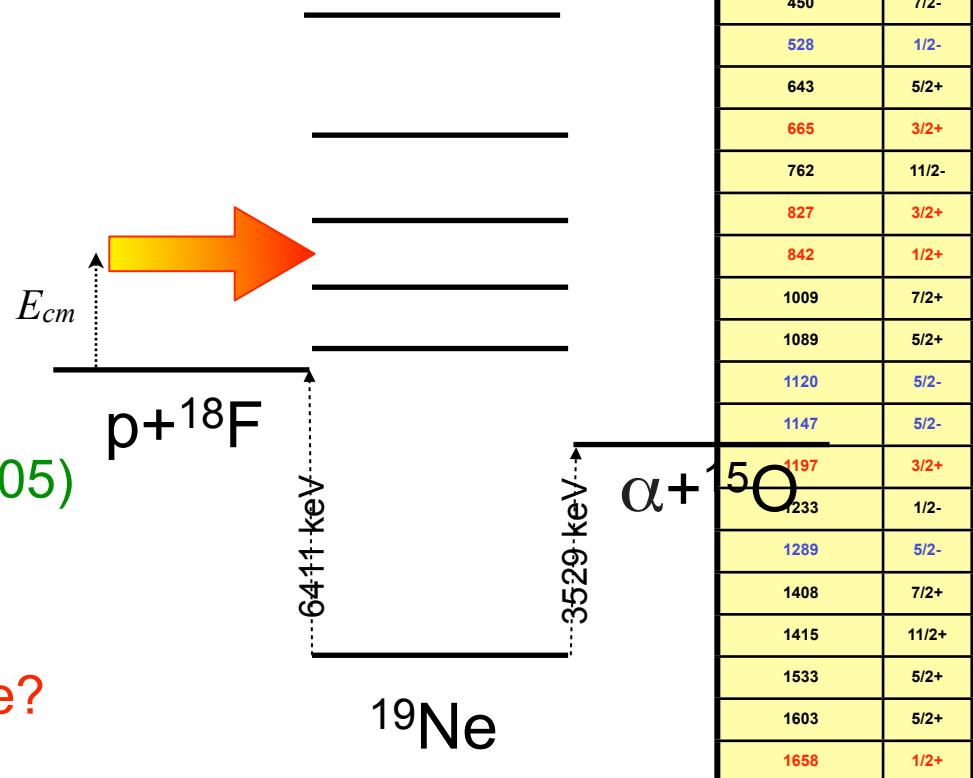
Overall novae gamma-ray line emission is **dominated by 511 keV  $\gamma$ -rays from  $^{18}\text{F}$   $\beta^+$  decay**

- Need to know rates of reactions creating and destroying  $^{18}\text{F}$
- Large Uncertainties remain, especially in  $^{18}\text{F}(\text{p},\alpha)^{15}\text{O}$
- Rate is determined by resonant contributions from states in  $^{19}\text{Ne}$

# Why is the rate so uncertain?

## Problems...

- There are many states
  - Nesaraja PRC 75 (2007) 055809
  - ...and most level data is extremely uncertain
  - ‘Known’ key states
    - $\ell=0$  at 8, 38, 665 keV
    - $\ell=1$  at 26, 330
- Signs of interference terms
  - de Sereville NPA 758 (2005)
  - Beer PRC(R) 83 (2011)
- Additional states?
  - Broad sub-threshold state?
  - THIS WORK

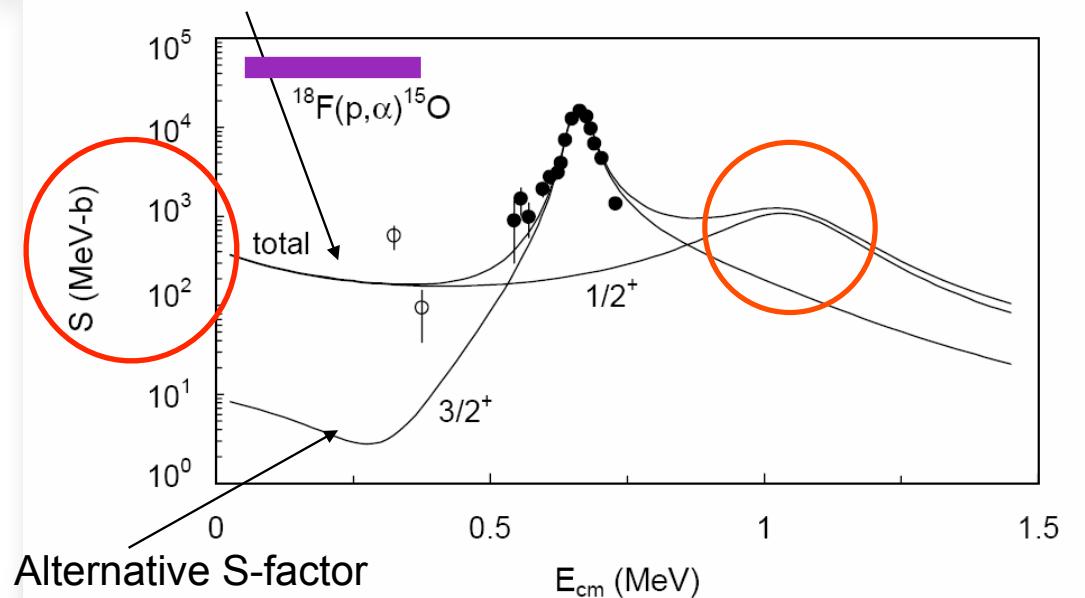


# Broad sub-threshold state? Prediction

Dufour & Descouvemont, NPA 785 (2007)

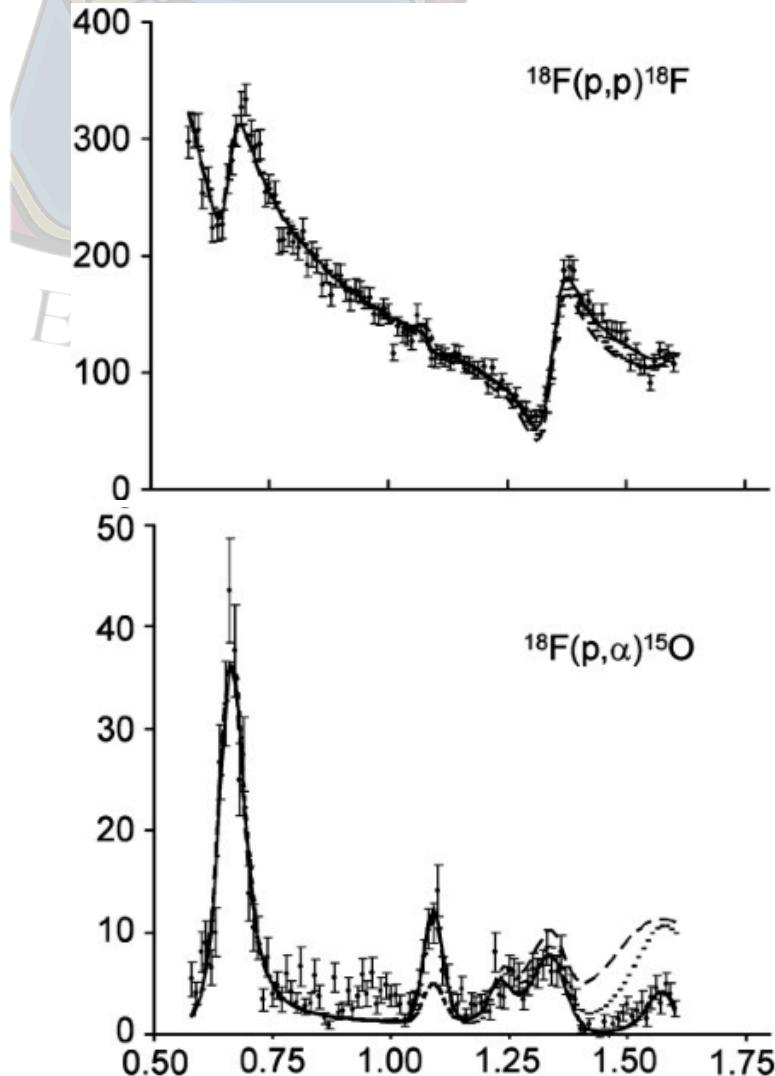
Broad  $\ell = 0$  states at  $E_r \approx -0.4$  & 1.5 MeV?

S-factor after addition of new states



Presence of a broad sub-threshold state limits the amount of destructive interference in the Gamow window.

# Broad sub-threshold state? Non-observation



Murphy *et al.* PRC 79 (2009)

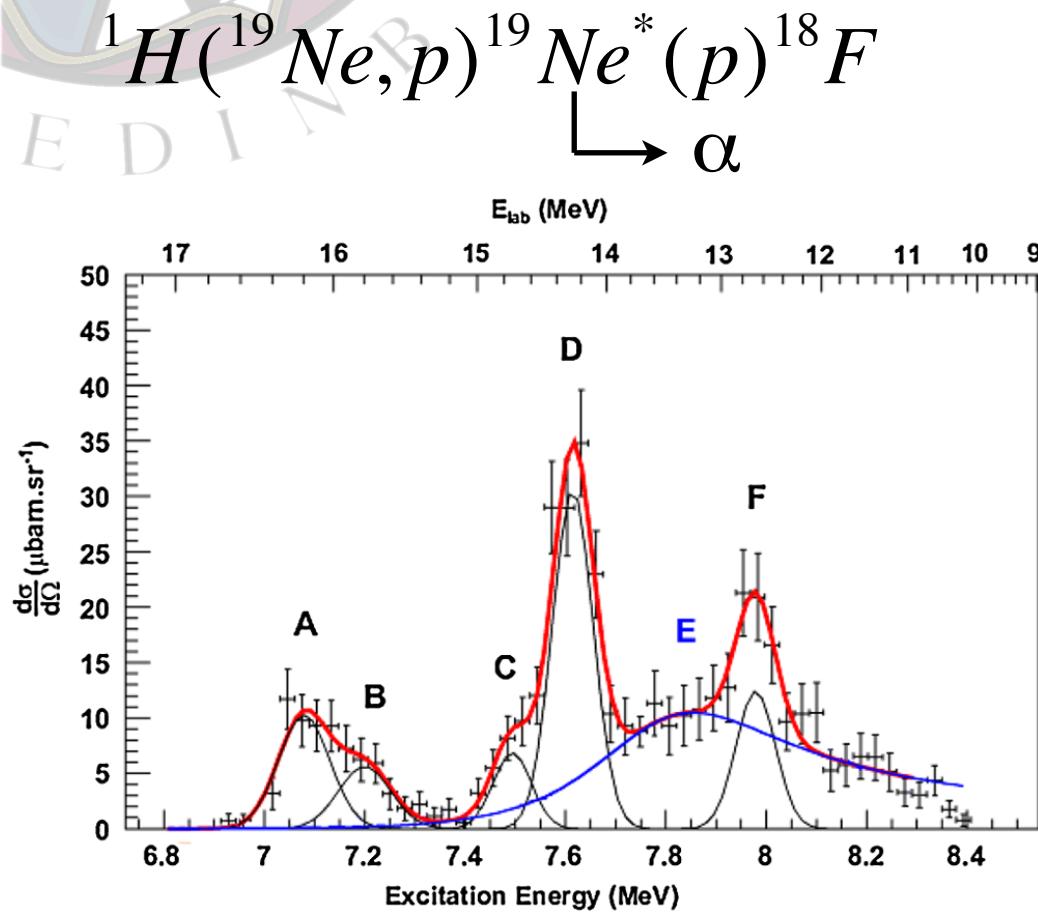
Searched for higher energy state:  
Existence of state would infer  
existence of sub-threshold state.

State at about the correct energy  
seen, but appears to lack sufficient  
strength (i.e. width)

Relevant data were very close to  
high energy limit of the experiment  
- possibly compromised by target  
edge effects?

# Broad sub-threshold state? Observation!

Dalouzy et al. PRL 102 (2009)



Broad underlying state seen at correct energy

Width in agreement with prediction

Angular distribution looks like  $\ell=0$

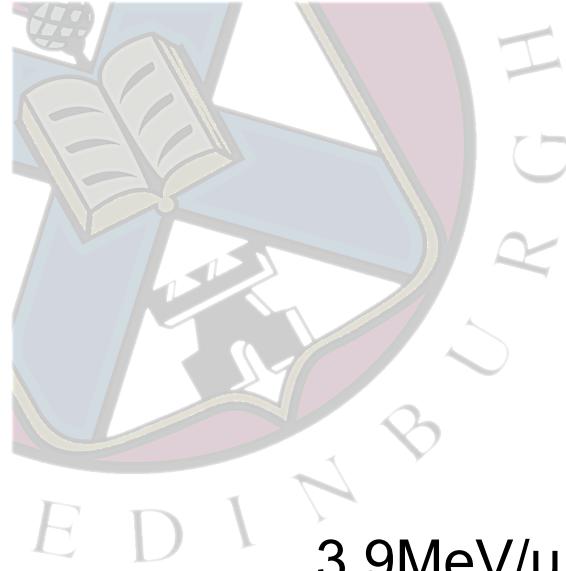
Experiment had quite a bit of contamination (scattered protons & kinematic ambiguity)



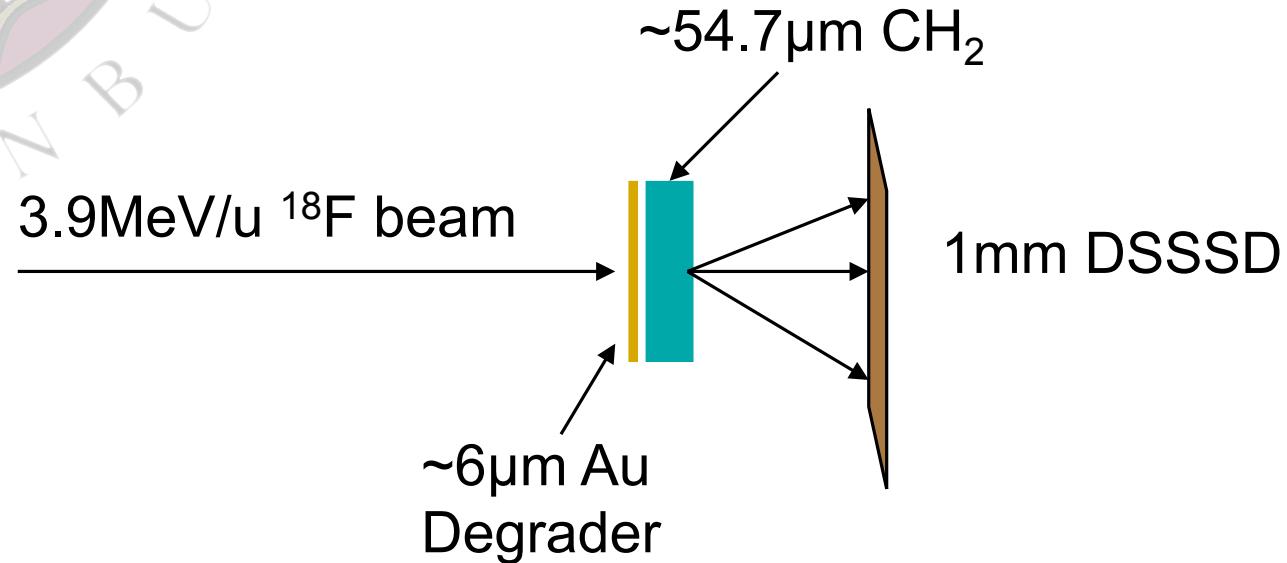
# New p+<sup>18</sup>F data

- April 2010
- 95 MeV/A  $^{20}\text{Ne}$  on C
- ECR ion source
- CIME acceleration
- 3.9 MeV/A  $^{18}\text{F}$
- High energy stripping to generate 9<sup>+</sup> beam
- 2x10<sup>4</sup> pps delivered on target
- ECLAN chamber in G2 Cave





# Set up



Beam energy degraded to  $\sim 2$  MeV/A  
Beam stops in target  
Protons and alphas detected in DSSD



# Lab to cm energy, & Resolution

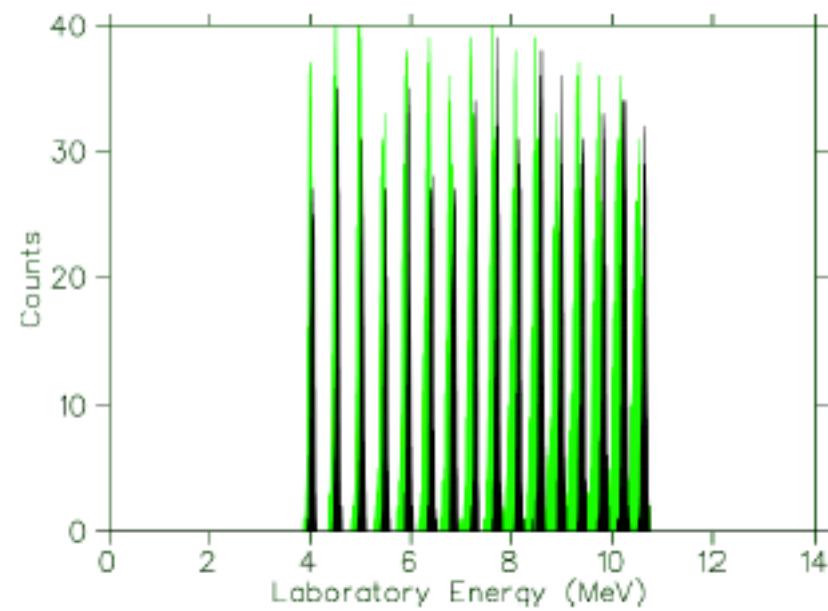


FIG. 1: (Color online.) Monte Carlo simulated energy spectra of two detector pixels for alpha particles from the  $^{18}\text{F}(\text{p},\alpha)^{18}\text{O}$  reaction, assuming reactions occur only at discrete center of mass energies (100 keV steps over the range 0.6 to 2.1 MeV). There is a unique mapping of detected laboratory energy to center of mass reaction energy. See text for discussion.

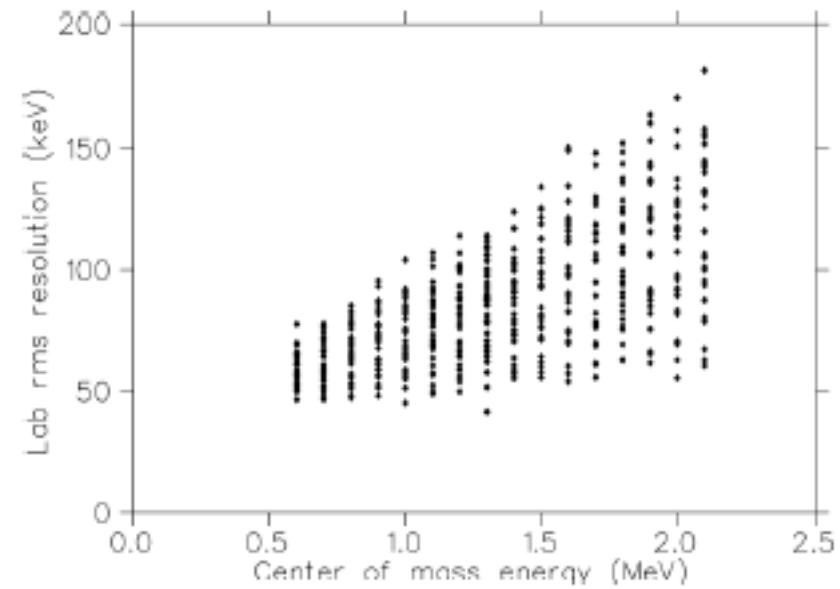
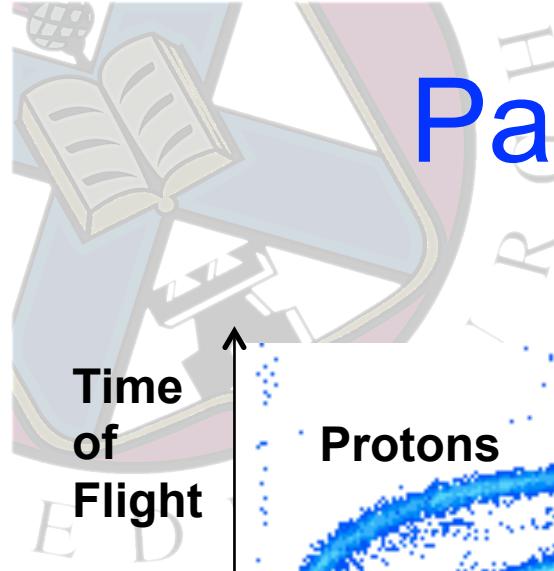
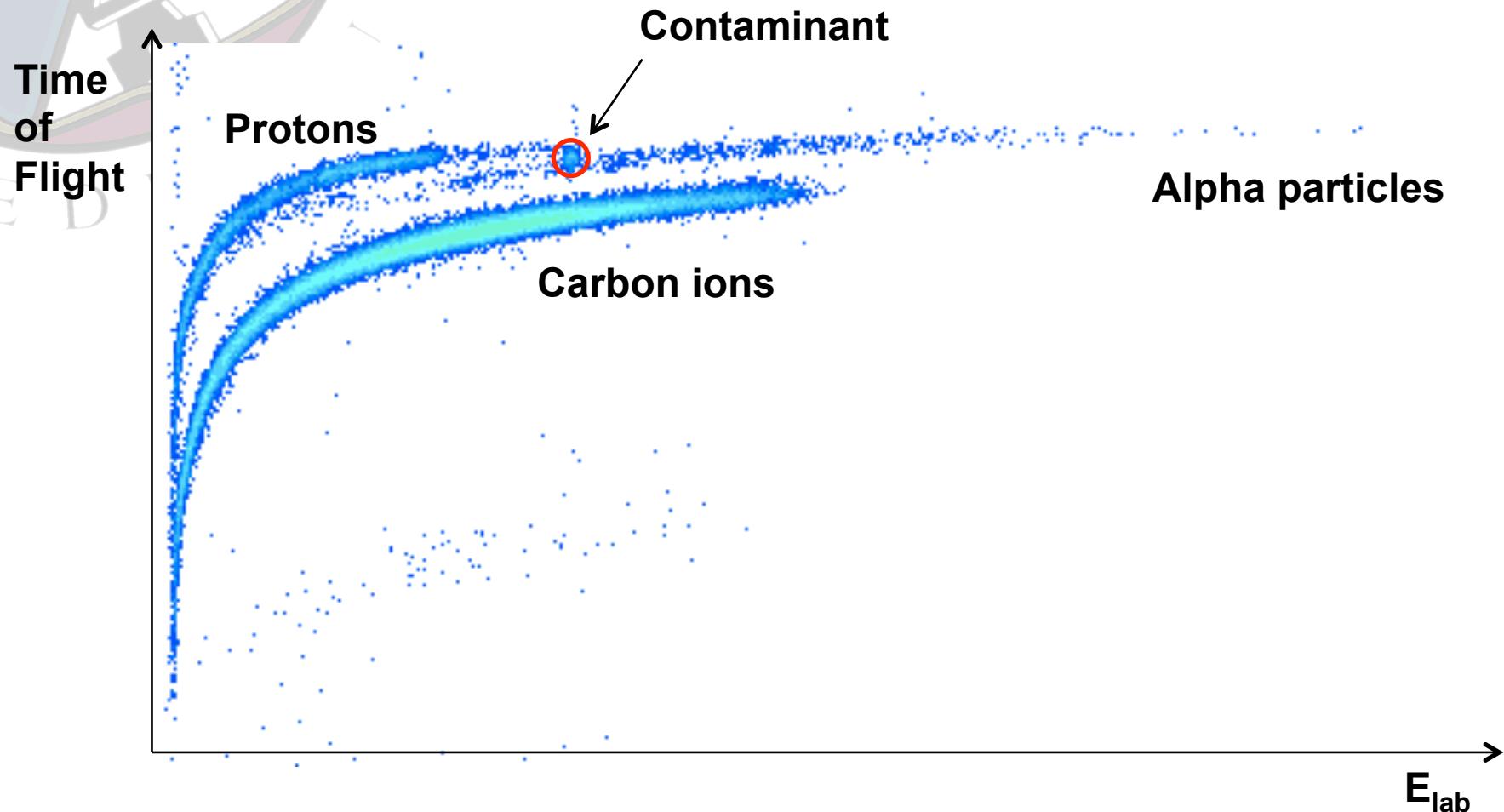


FIG. 2: Monte Carlo simulated rms energy resolutions for alpha particles from the  $^{18}\text{F}(\text{p},\alpha)^{18}\text{O}$  reaction, as a function of the center of mass energy. See text for discussion.



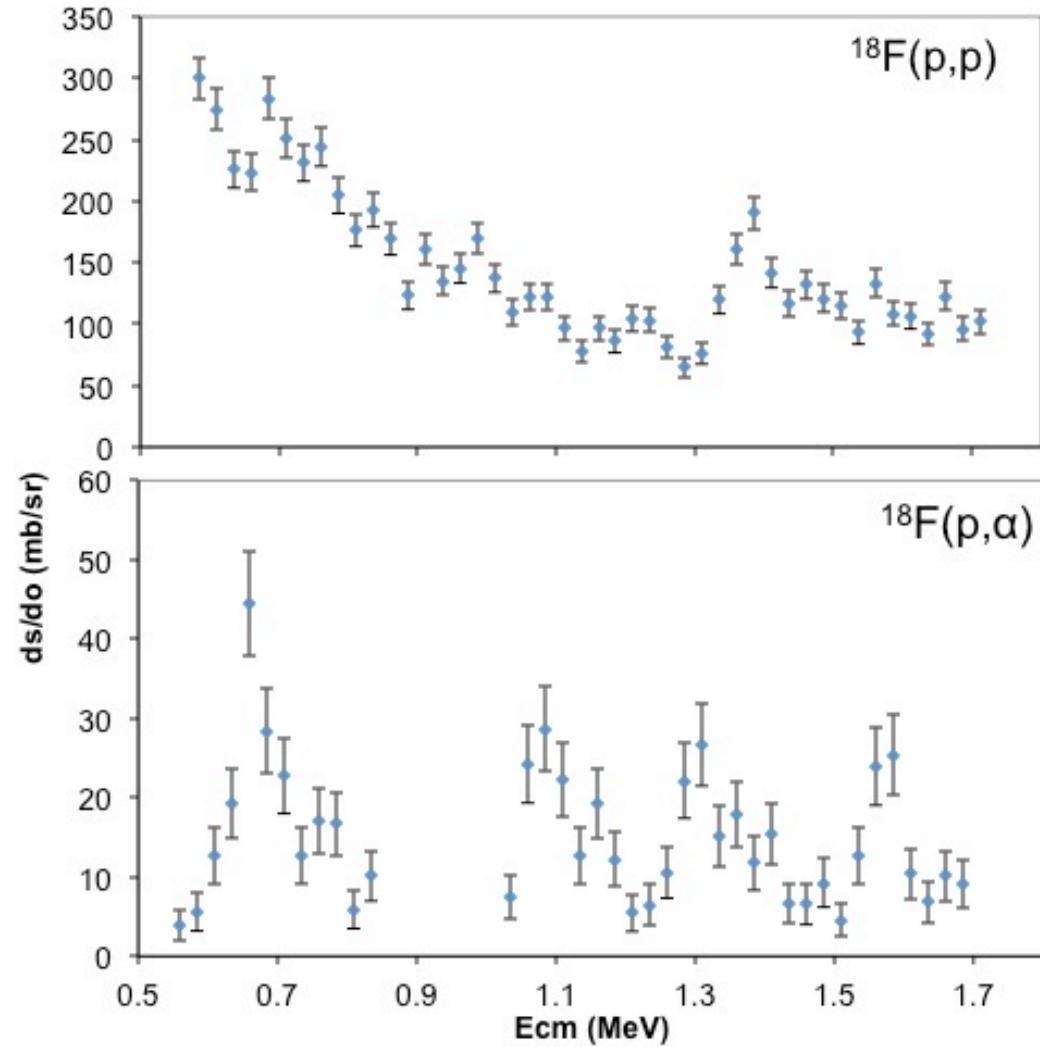
# Particle identification





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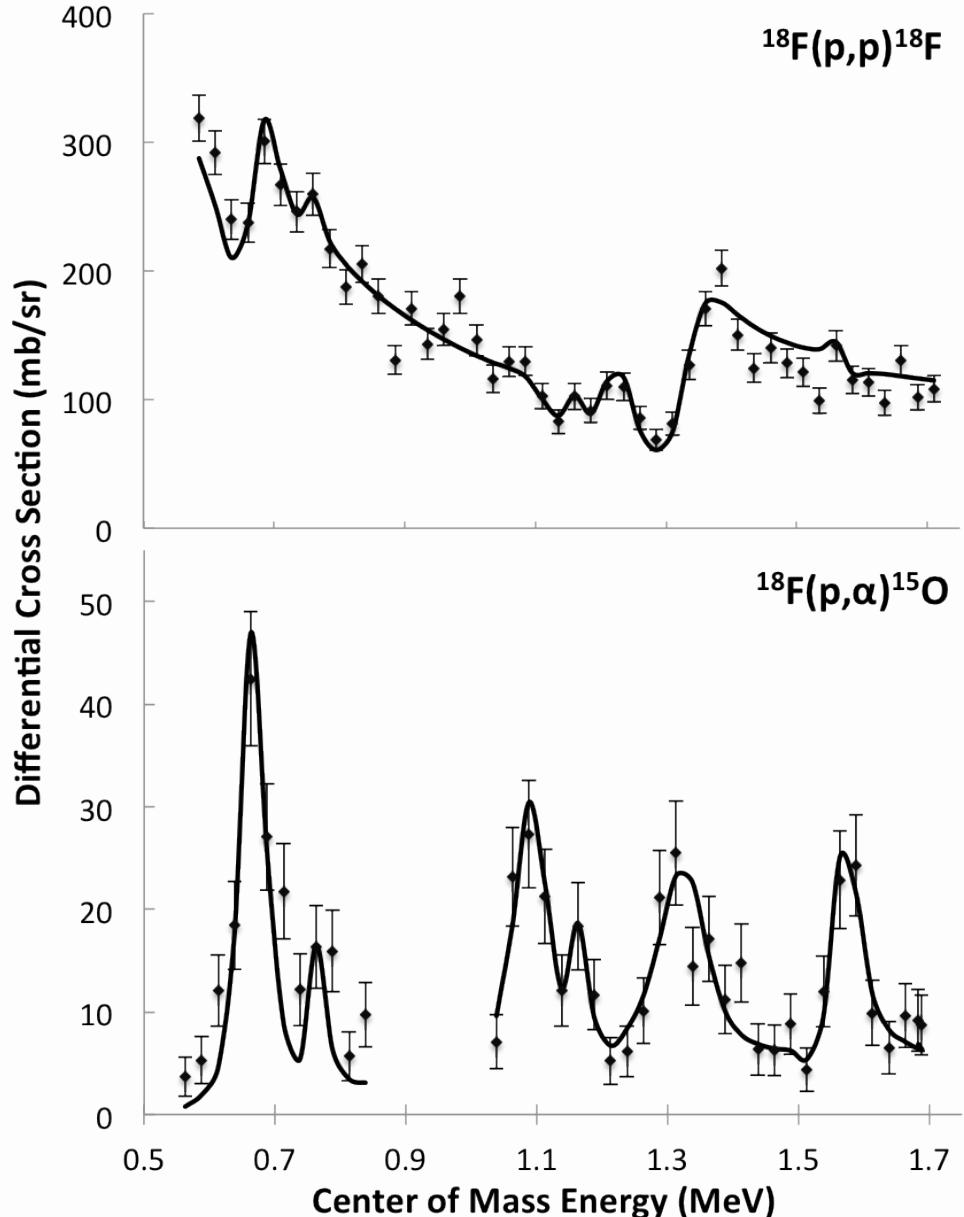
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E	1.219(22)	3/2-	21(3)	0.1(1)	
F	1.335(6)	3/2+	65(8)	26(4)	-
G	1.455(38)	1/2+	55(12)	347(92)	
H	1.571(13)	5/2+	1.7(4)	12(3)	

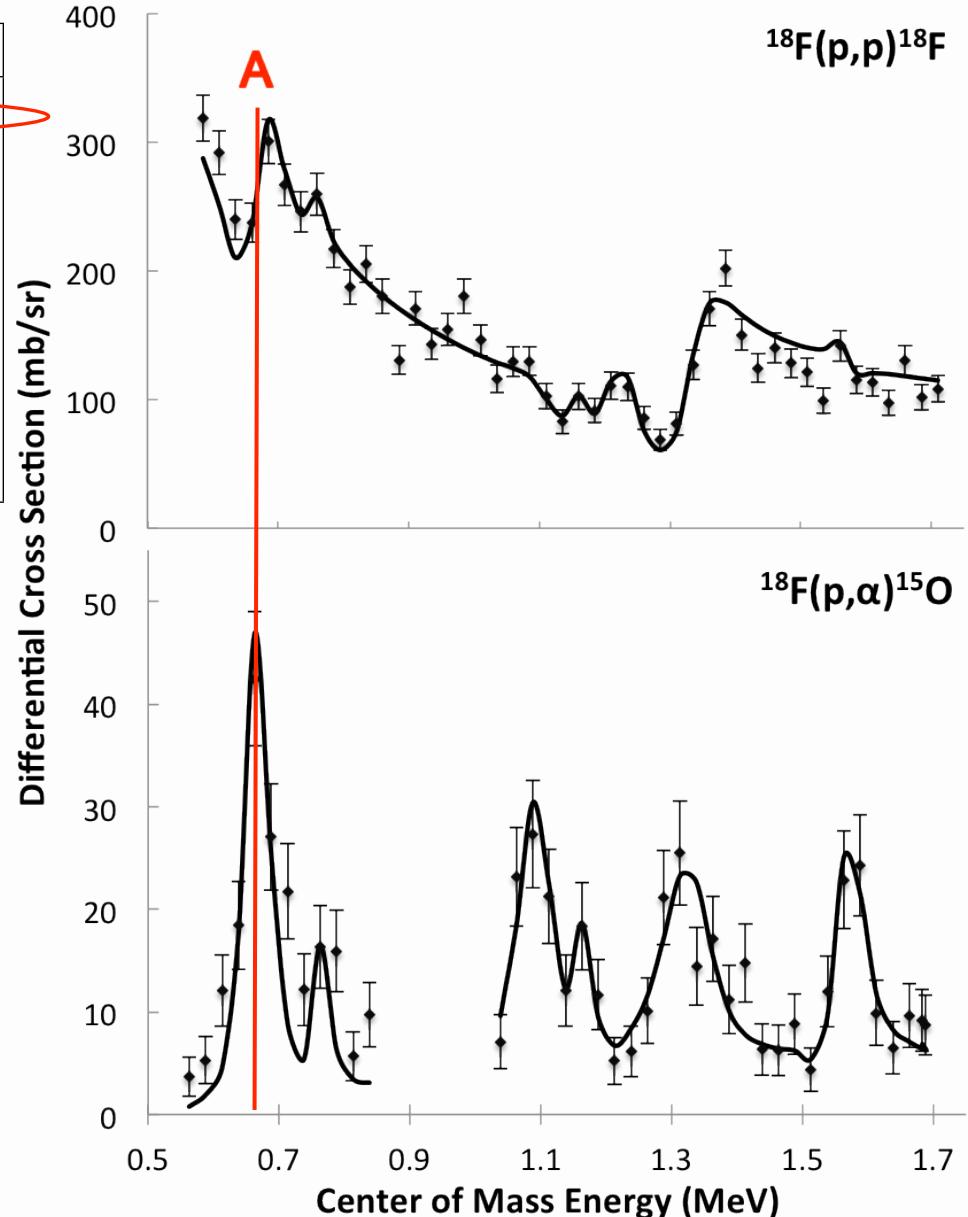
- Results of R Matrix analysis carried out using DREAM code from P. Descouvemont
- Comparison references:
  1. Nesaraja *et al.* PRC 75, 055809 (2007)
  2. Murphy *et al.* PRC 79, 058801 (2009)
  3. Dalouzy *et al.* PRL 102, 162503 (2009)



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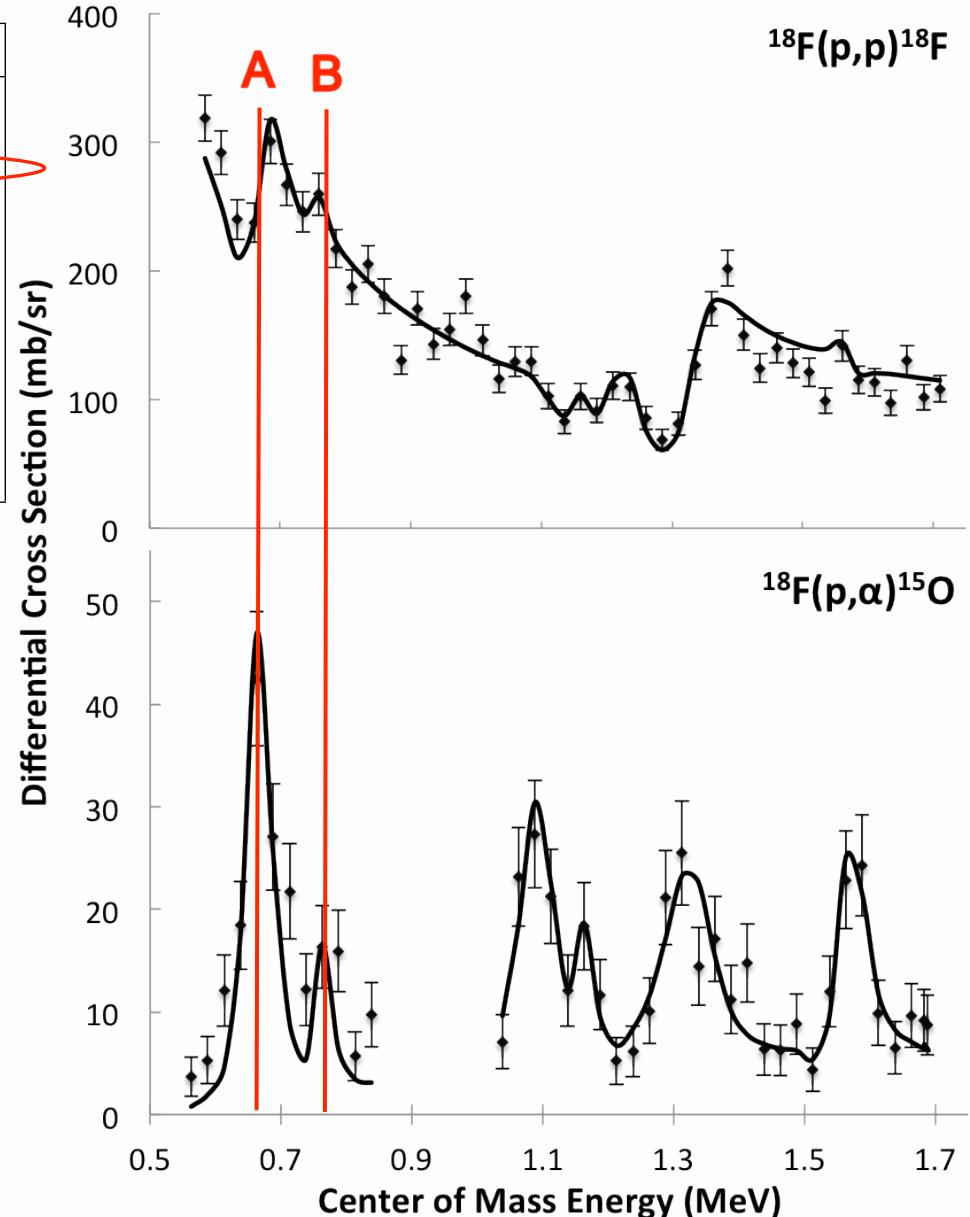
- Well known ‘665keV’ state
- Cross sections scaled to this state



# Preliminary Results (B)

	Ecm (MeV)	J <sup>π</sup>	$\Gamma p$ (keV)	$\Gamma \alpha$ (keV)	Int
A	0.665	3/2+	15	24	+
B	0.759(20)	3/2+	1.6(5)	2.4(6)	
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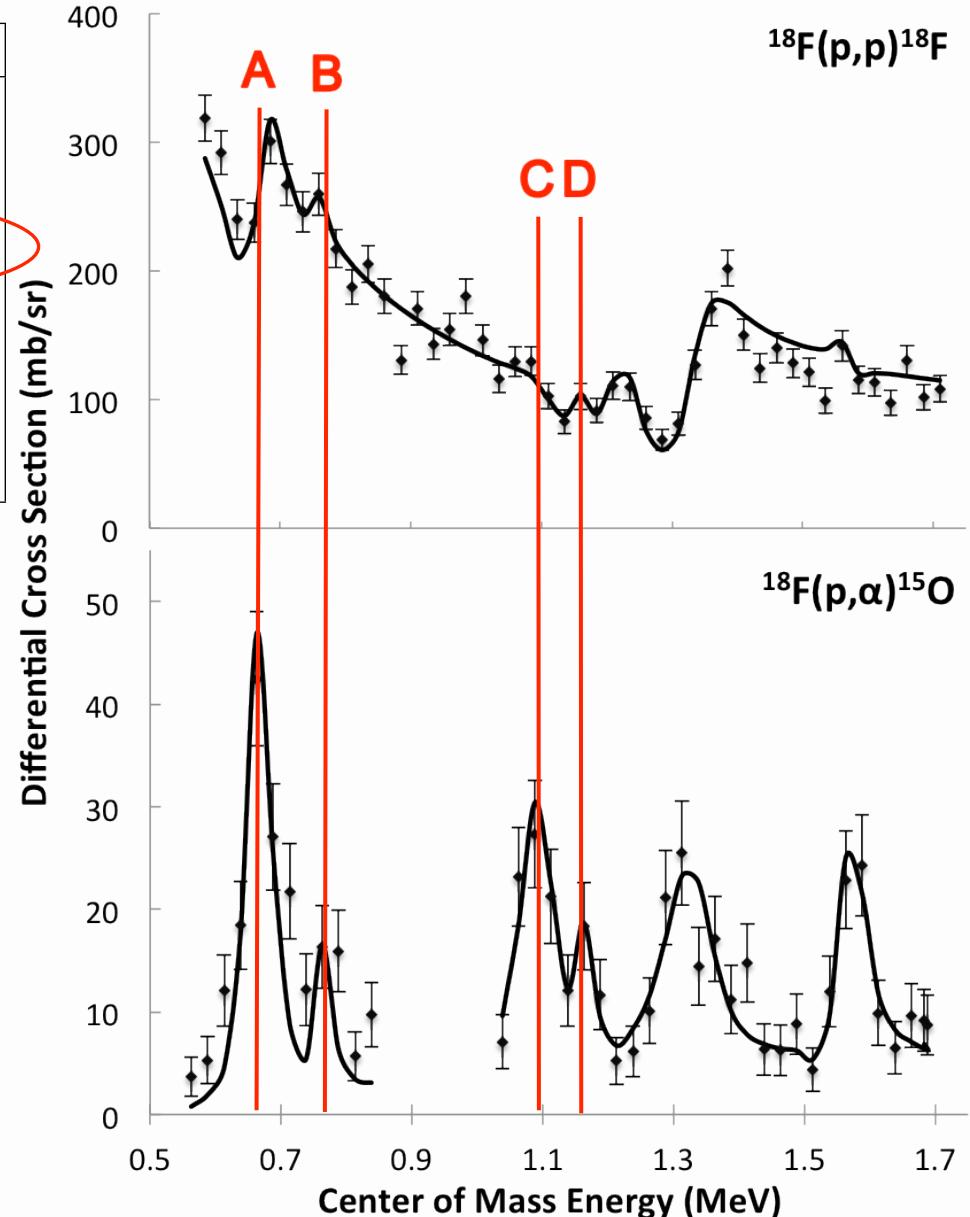
- Reported by Nesaraja/  
Dalouzy
- Significantly weaker than  
Dalouzy
- Consistent in strength  
with Nesaraja



# Preliminary Results (C & D)

	Ecm (MeV)	J <sup>π</sup>	Γp(keV)	Γα(keV)	Int
A	0.665	3/2+	15	24	+
B	0.759(20)	3/2+	1.6(5)	2.4(6)	
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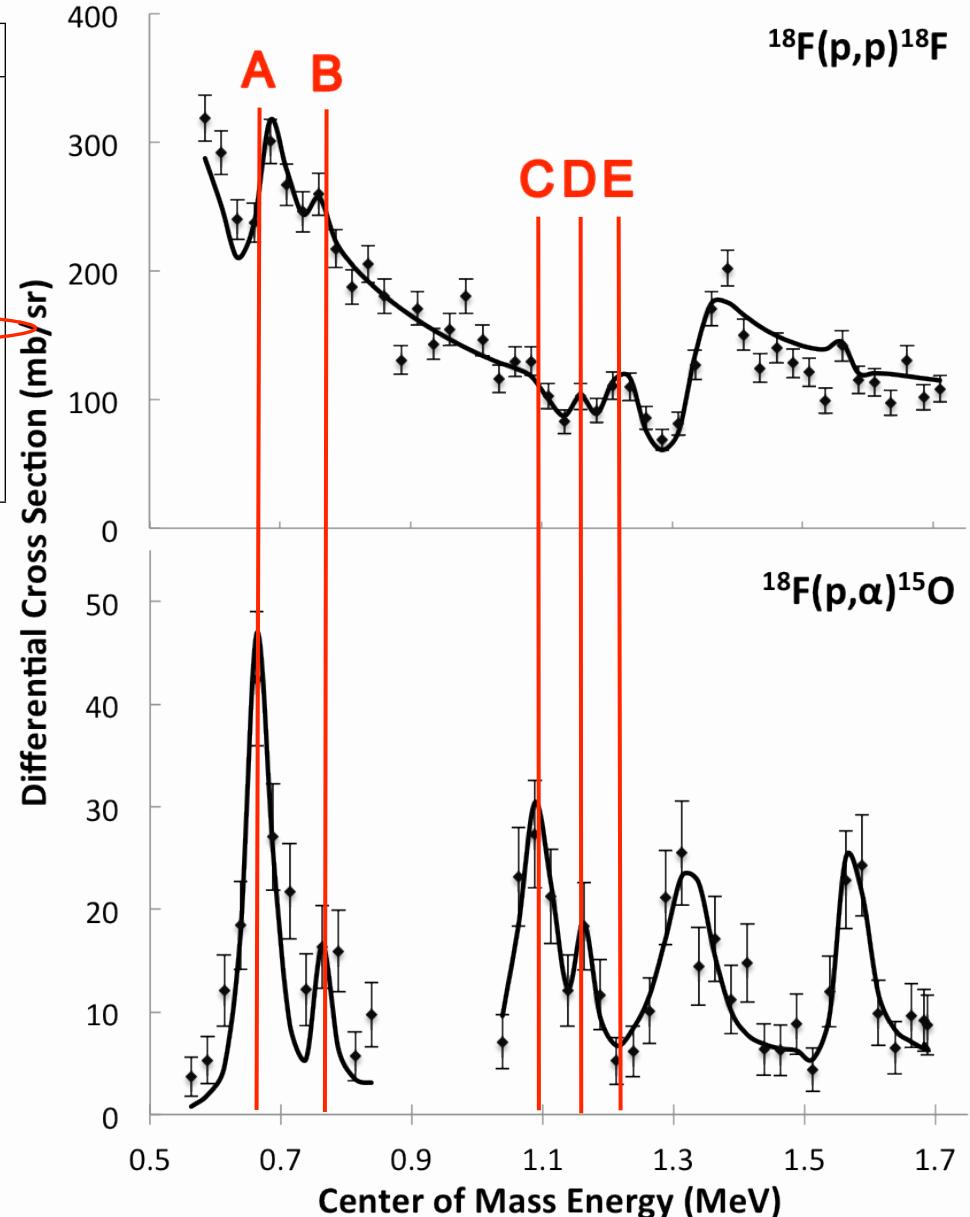
- C reported by Murphy – narrower but current result relatively consistent
- C and D reported by Dalouzy/Nesaraja at different strengths
- C in good agreement in energy



# Preliminary Results (E)

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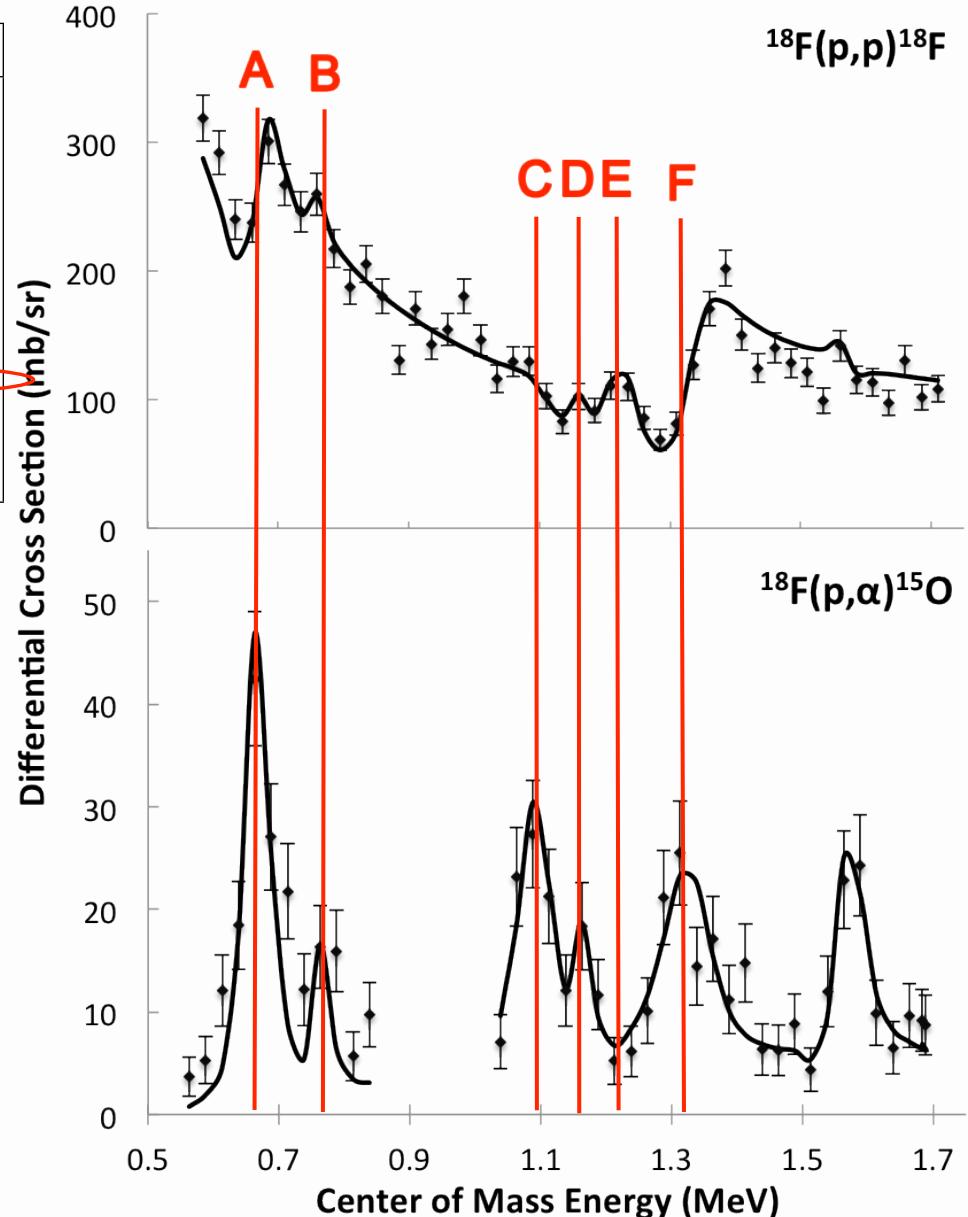
- Previously reported by Nesaraja and Murphy
- Agreement in spin with Murphy
- No agreement in strength
- Required to fit bottom of state F



# Preliminary Results (F)

	Ecm (MeV)	J <sup>π</sup>	Γp(keV)	Γα(keV)	Int
A	0.665	3/2+	15	24	+
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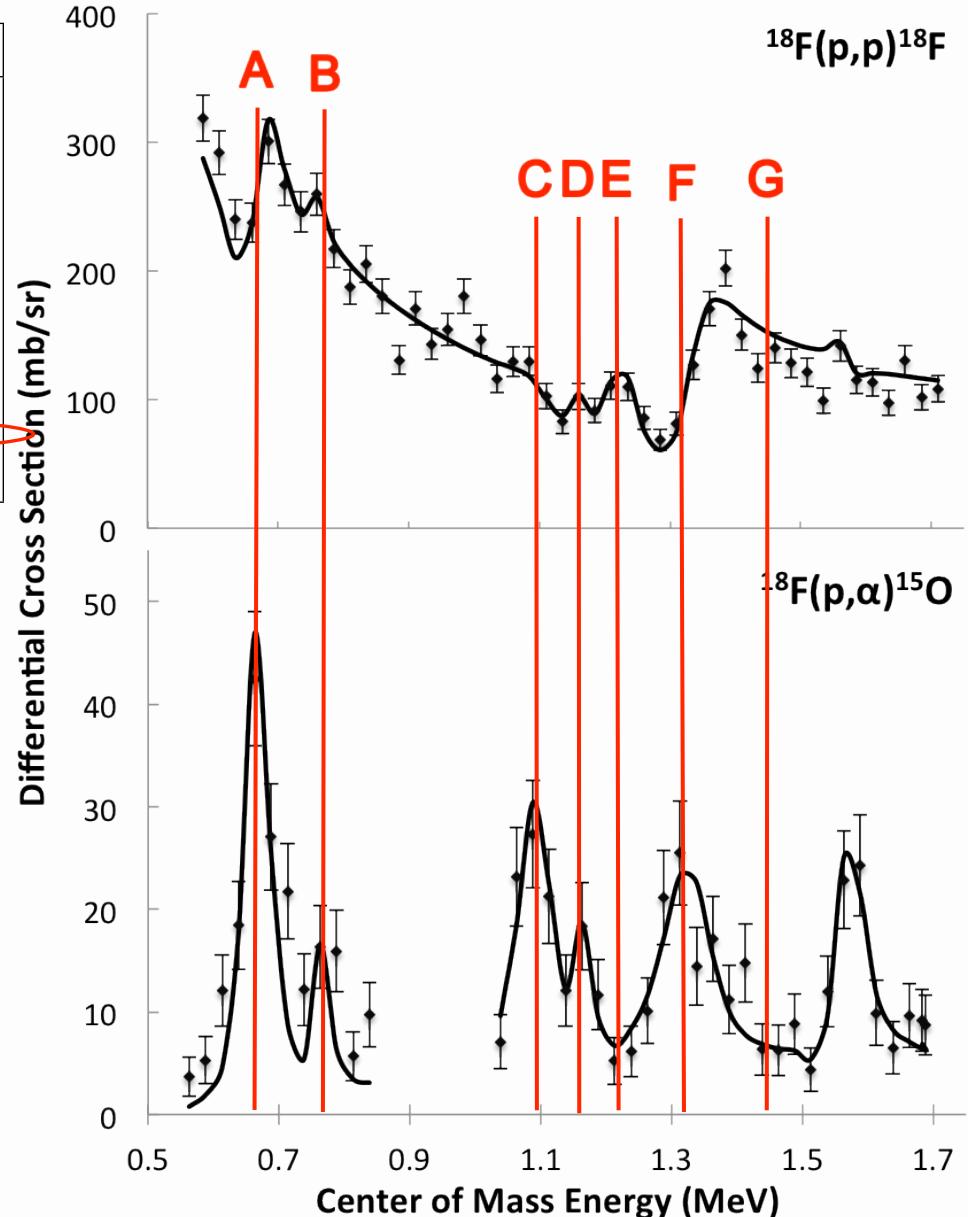
- Observed by Murphy with less strength
- New strength due to strong correlation with state G



# Preliminary Results (G)

	Ecm (MeV)	J <sup>π</sup>	$\Gamma p$ (keV)	$\Gamma \alpha$ (keV)	Int
A	0.665	3/2+	15	24	+
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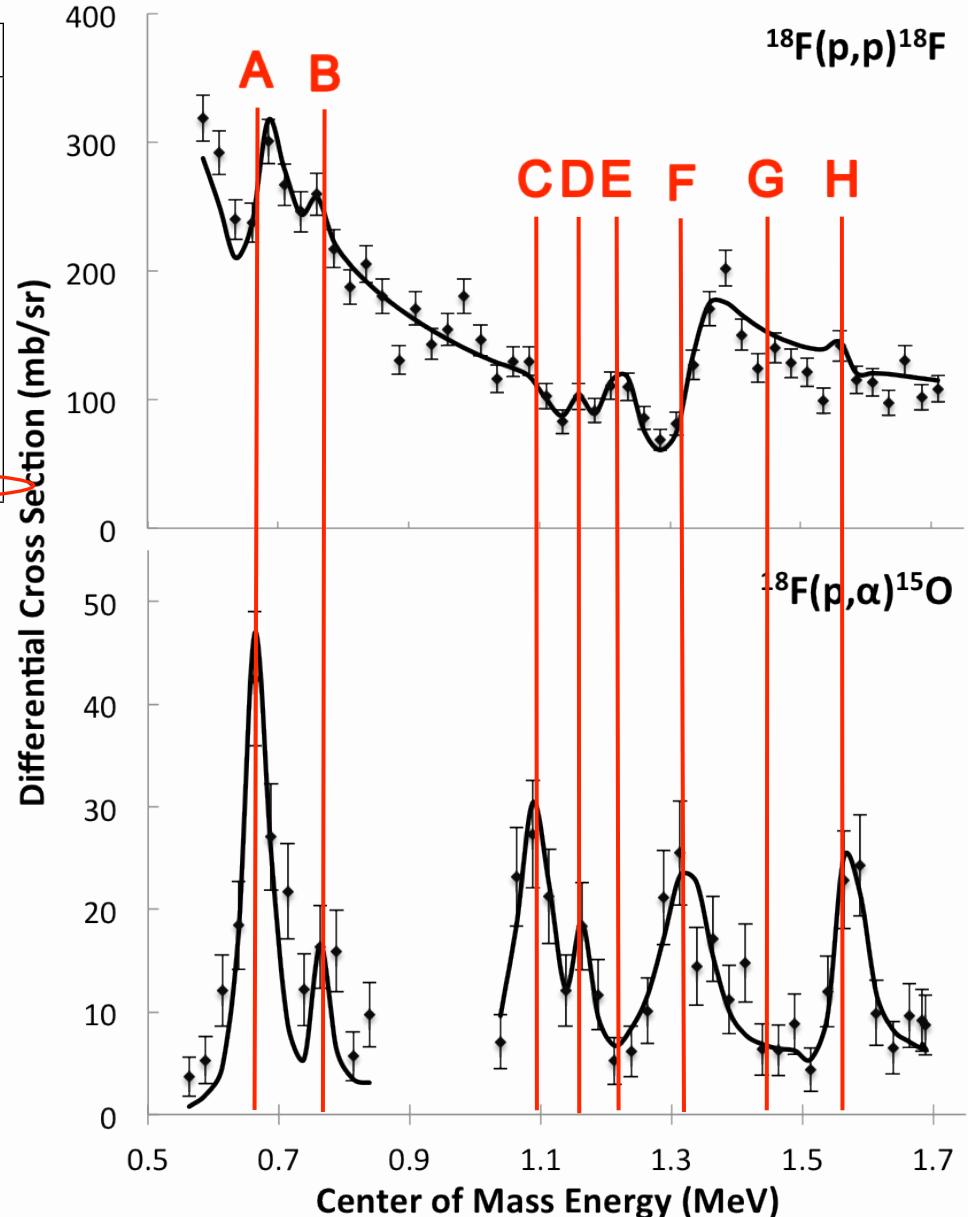
- Predicted broad 1/2<sup>+</sup> state?
- Stay tuned...



# Preliminary Results (H)

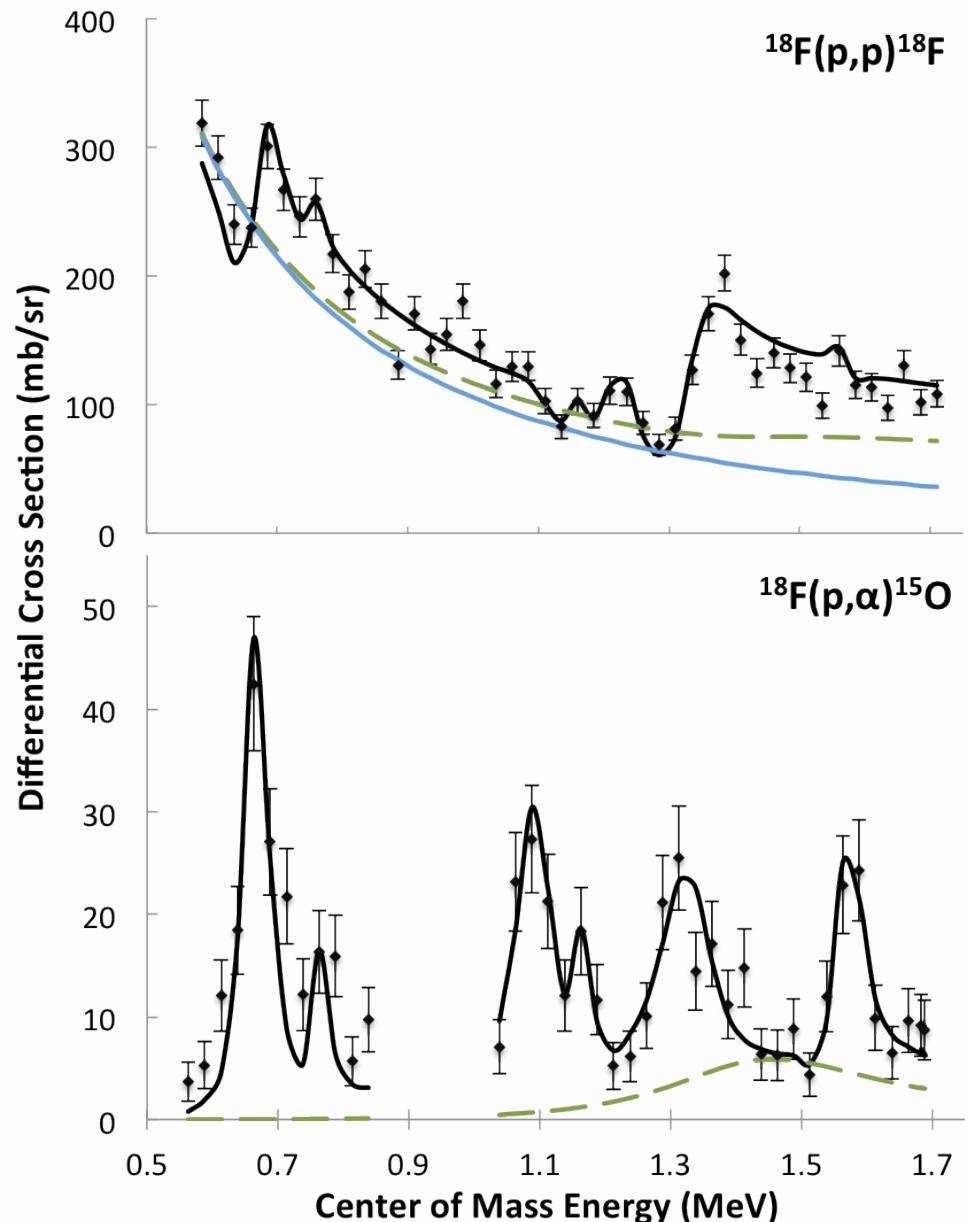
	Ecm (MeV)	$J^\pi$	$\Gamma p$ (keV)	$\Gamma \alpha$ (keV)	Int
A	0.665	$3/2^+$	15	24	+
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- Observed by Dalouzy (alternative  $\pi$ ) and Murphy (alternative  $J$ )
- Dalouzy  $J$  unambiguous but  $\pi$  inferred
- Current data strongly favours  $J^\pi=5/2^+$  at consistent strengths



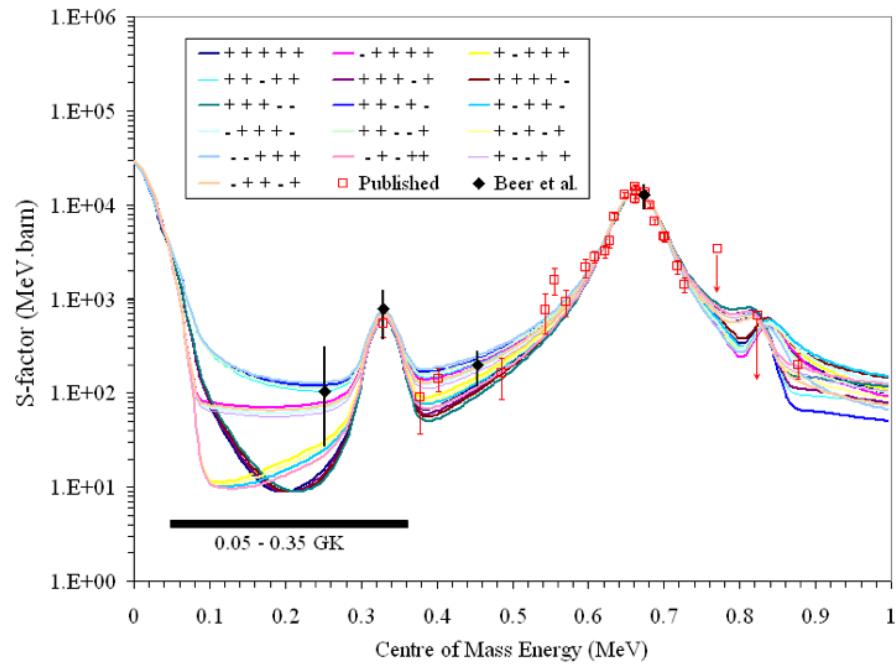
# Dufour/Descouvemont State??

- Candidate observed at  $E_{CM}=1.455\text{MeV}$  (G)
- $\sim$  factor of 2 *narrower* than predicted in proton channel
- $\sim$  a factor of 2 *broader* than predicted in alpha channel
- But consistent in total width ( $402(93)\text{keV}$ ) with Dalouzy ( $292(107)\text{keV}$ )
- Broad state is ‘required’ to fit to data

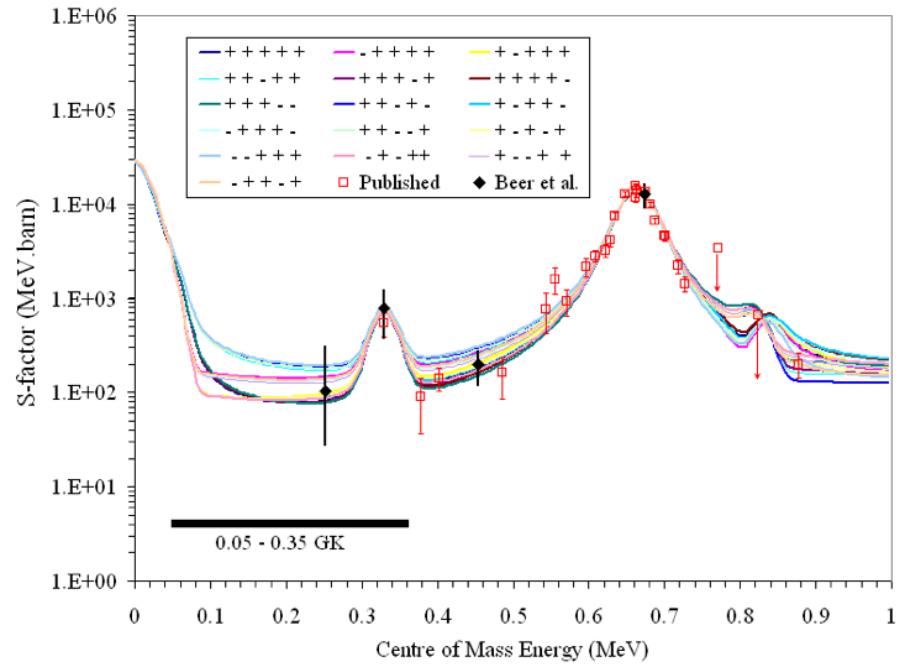




# Impact



Beer PRC(R) 2011 *et al.* Fig 3.  
(not incl. predicted  $1/2^+$  states)

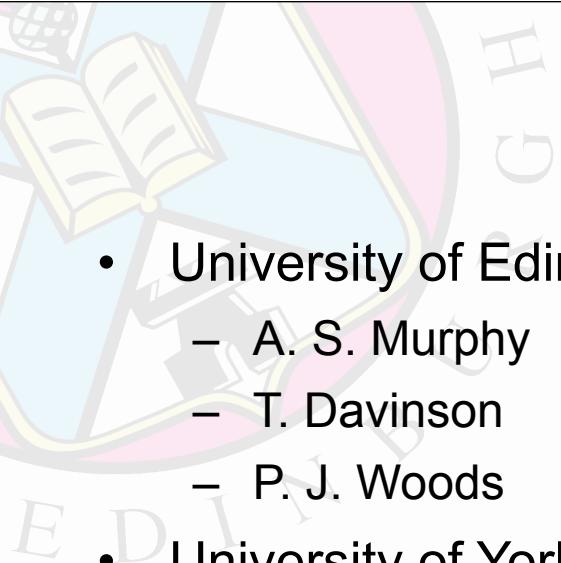


Including  $1/2^+$  states (parameters  
from Dufour & Descouvemont)

Narrows uncertainty in astrophysical S-Factor

# Conclusions

- New data obtained in study of astrophysically important  $^{18}\text{F}(\text{p},\alpha)^{15}\text{O}$  reaction
- New work finds candidate for a recently predicted  $1/2^+$  state, consistent with previous measurement
- Precision of extracted parameters is constrained by limited statistics
- Strongly support the proposal of F. de Olivera Santos for repeat of Dalouzy experiment, with scattered protons detected in VAMOS



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*Thank you*