



Towards a Study of the ⁴⁴Ti(α,p)⁴⁷V reaction at CRYRING

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False color image of the supernova remnant Cassiopeia A (Cas A). The picture is composited of data from the Spitzer Space Telescope, the Hubble Space Telescope and the Chandra X-ray Observatory.

Picture: NASA/JPL-Caltech

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⁴⁴Ti detected in SN remnants

⁴⁴Ti γ-emission detectable at space observatories

Dominates light curve over ⁵⁶Ni about 4 yrs after explosion

First detected in CasA SNR (~1667 AD, Milky Way), later in SN1987A (LMC)







⁴⁴Ti SN Production

Produced in α -rich freeze out of core-collapse SN

 ${}^{28}\text{Si}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{32}\text{S} \rightarrow {}^{32}\text{S}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{36}\text{Ar} \rightarrow$ ${}^{36}\text{Ar}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{40}\text{Ca} \rightarrow {}^{40}\text{Ca}(\alpha,\gamma){}^{44}\text{Ti}$

Dominant consumption reaction:

 ${}^{44}\text{Ti}(\alpha,p){}^{47}\text{V}$

Cr 44 Cr 45 Cr 46 Cr 47 Cr 48 Cr 49 Cr 50 Cr 51 Cr 52 42.8 ms 60.9 ms 0.26 ms 472 ms 21.6 h 42 m 4.345 27.7010 d 83.789 Bp 0.887, 1.353 p 2.041 1083*, 1323 β+ 6.4.. B⁺ 1.4. 1.5. 320 677 87 308, 112 91, 153, 62, V 43 V 44 V 45 V 46 V 47 V 48 V 49 V 50 V 51 79.3 ms 150 ms | 111 ms 547 ms 422.6 ms 32.6 m 15.97 d 330 d 0.250 99.750 1.4.10" a β⁺ 0.7 γ 984, 1312 944... 1083 371, 1561 834 βp 2.78 β⁺ 6.1.. γ 40 β⁺ 1.9... γ (1794...) β⁺ 6.0... γ (2611) β 1554, 783 21, σ_{np} 0.007 Ti 42 Ti 43 Ti 44 Ti 45 Ti 46 Ti 47 Ti 48 Ti 49 Ti 50 208.14 ms 509 ms 58.9 a 3.08 h 7 44 5.41 5.18 B⁺ 5.4, 6.0.. β⁺ 5.8... 2288, 845. γ 78, 68..., g σ 1.1 β+ 1.0. (720...) σ 1.9 Sc 45 Sc 41 Sc 42 Sc 43 Sc 44 Sc 46 Sc 47 Sc 48 Sc 49 596 ms 3.89 h 3.35 d 61 s 0.68 s 58.61 h 3.92 h 18.75 s 83.79 d 43.67 h 57.2 m 271 β⁻ 0.7... γ 984, 1312 1038... 0.4, 1.5 (1002 1261 1157) β⁺ 1.2... γ 373... β 0.4, 0.6 8+ 5.5. β-2.0 1157. 889. σ 8.0 (2575, 2959) y (1762, 1623) y 142 Ca 42 Ca 43 Ca 45 Ca 47 Ca 40 Ca 41 Ca 44 Ca 46 Ca 48 96.941 1.03·10⁵ a 0.647 2.086 163 d 0.004 4.54 d , no y 1.9.10¹⁹ a β⁻ 0.3... γ (12), e⁻ β⁻ 0.7, 2.0.. γ 1297, 808 ~4 2β⁻, β⁻ σ 1.09 ong 0.18 0.41 108 ~15 0.00 0.65 0.00013

⁴⁴Ti amount in SNR dependent on reaction rate ratio of both reactions!

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Extract from the Karlsruhe Nuclide Chart showing the region around calcium and titanium isotopes.

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Reaction Cross Section

Previous measurements above the Gamow window for core collapse SN

Margerin et al. @ ISOLDE \rightarrow upper limit at 3 GK Gamow window

 \rightarrow more data needed between 3 and 6 MeV $\rm E_{cm}$



Al-Abdullah et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 50, 140 (2014)







Magnetic storage ring, Bp≤1.44 Tm

Highly-charged ions from ESR or local ion source

Limitation due to injection RFQ: $q/A > 0.35 \rightarrow Ti^{16+}$ or higher, bare (Ti²²⁺) would intrinsically remove decay products



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CRYRING Local Injector

Production of highly charged Ti-ions in EBIS: E.g. EBIS-A from DREEBIT GmbH, Ar¹⁸⁺ (fully ionized): 10⁵ at 1Hz

Injection of Ti into EBIS: MIVOC (Metal Ions from Volatile Organic Compounds), (trimethyl)pentamethyl-cyclopentadienyltitanium, $(CH_3)_5C_5Ti(CH_3)_3$, solid material, [Koivisto et al., NIMB 187 (2002) 111]

⁴⁴Ti available from PSI beam dump, up to 50 MBq (D. Schumann)

Dresden EBIS-A: DREEBIT GmbH





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Ions accelerated with RFQ to 300 keV/u and injected into CRYRING

Acceleration in CRYRING to required beam energy: 0.8 – 1.6 MeV/u (corresponds Gamow window of 2 – 5 GK)

Expected storage time of highly charged Ti ions: some tens of seconds Rev. freq.: ⁴⁴Ti@1.1 MeV/u: 270 kHz



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CRYRING Gas-jet Target

 $^{44}\text{Ti}(\alpha,p)^{47}\text{V}$ reaction in inverse kinematics at CRYRING gas-jet target with helium

Expected jet density: up to 10¹⁴ at/cm²

Detection of p with Si detectors close to target, energy $\sim 7 - 9$ MeV

Rate estimation: with 10^5 stored particles $\rightarrow \sim 1$ event/h



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Reaction Kinematics

Two options because of long ⁴⁴Ti lifetime:

- ⁴He-beam, ⁴⁴Ti target
- ⁴⁴Ti-beam, ⁴He gas target

⁴⁴Ti beam: α-capture reaction in inverse kinematics

Maximum recoil angle in Gamow window: ~2.4°

Protons emitted in all directions



Energy distribution of the proton, $E(^{44}Ti)=1.1 \text{ MeV/u}$

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Comparison to Previous Experiments

ATLAS / Sonzogni et al.

- ⁴⁴Ti beam
- ⁴⁷V detected with recoil mass separator

ISOLDE / Margerin et al.

- ⁴⁴Ti beam, single-pass
- Detection of p after reaction
 - large emission angles
- 67 mbar He gas-cell
 - + high density
 - windows
 - energy loss

CRYRING

- ⁴⁴Ti beam, multi-pass
- Detection of p after reaction
 large emission angles
- Gas-jet target
 - "low" density
 - + windowless
 - + well defined reaction energy



Summary & Outlook

- ⁴⁴Ti of great interest, provides "smoking gun" for recent supernova
- Calculations and observations not in agreement → more experimental data in Gamow window needed
- Newly installed CRYRING@ESR provides excellent opportunity to measure alpha-capture reaction rate

- Accessible energies in the range of Gamow window for core-collapse SN
- Radioactive ⁴⁴Ti available in sufficient amounts from PSI beam dump
- More efficient use of precious ⁴⁴Ti material in storage ring



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