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# Gas phase chemistry with SHE – Experiments

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# Outline SHE Chemistry

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- low production rates

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- ask the right questions



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- thermodynamic & kinetic models

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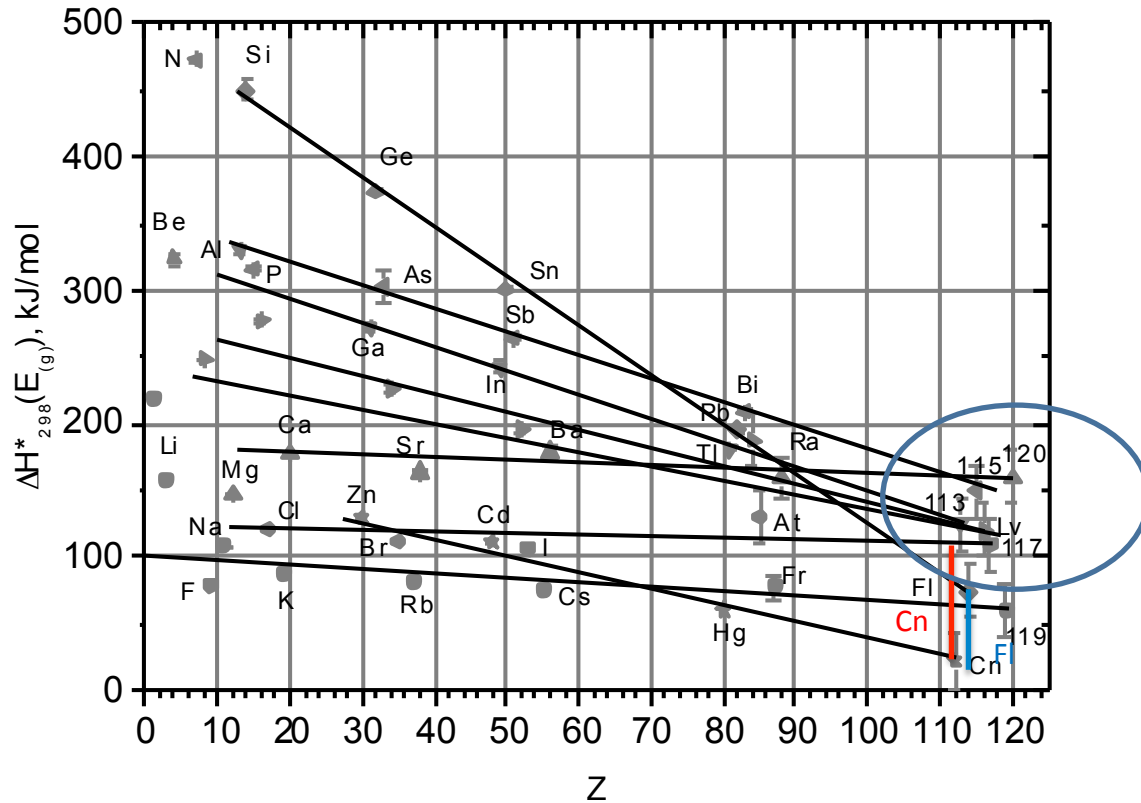
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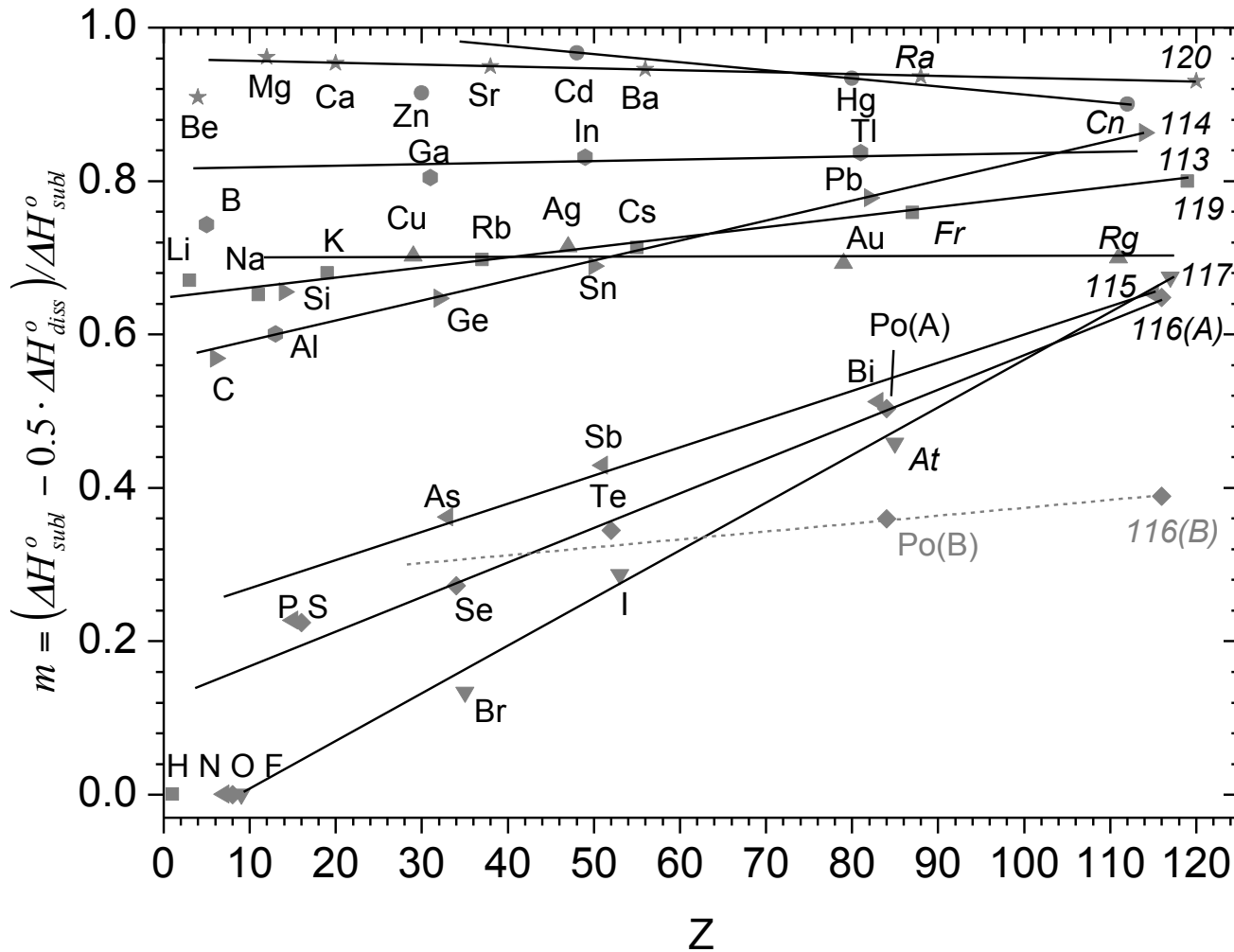
# Elemental Volatility



Eichler, B., *Kernenergie* 19 (10), (1976) 307

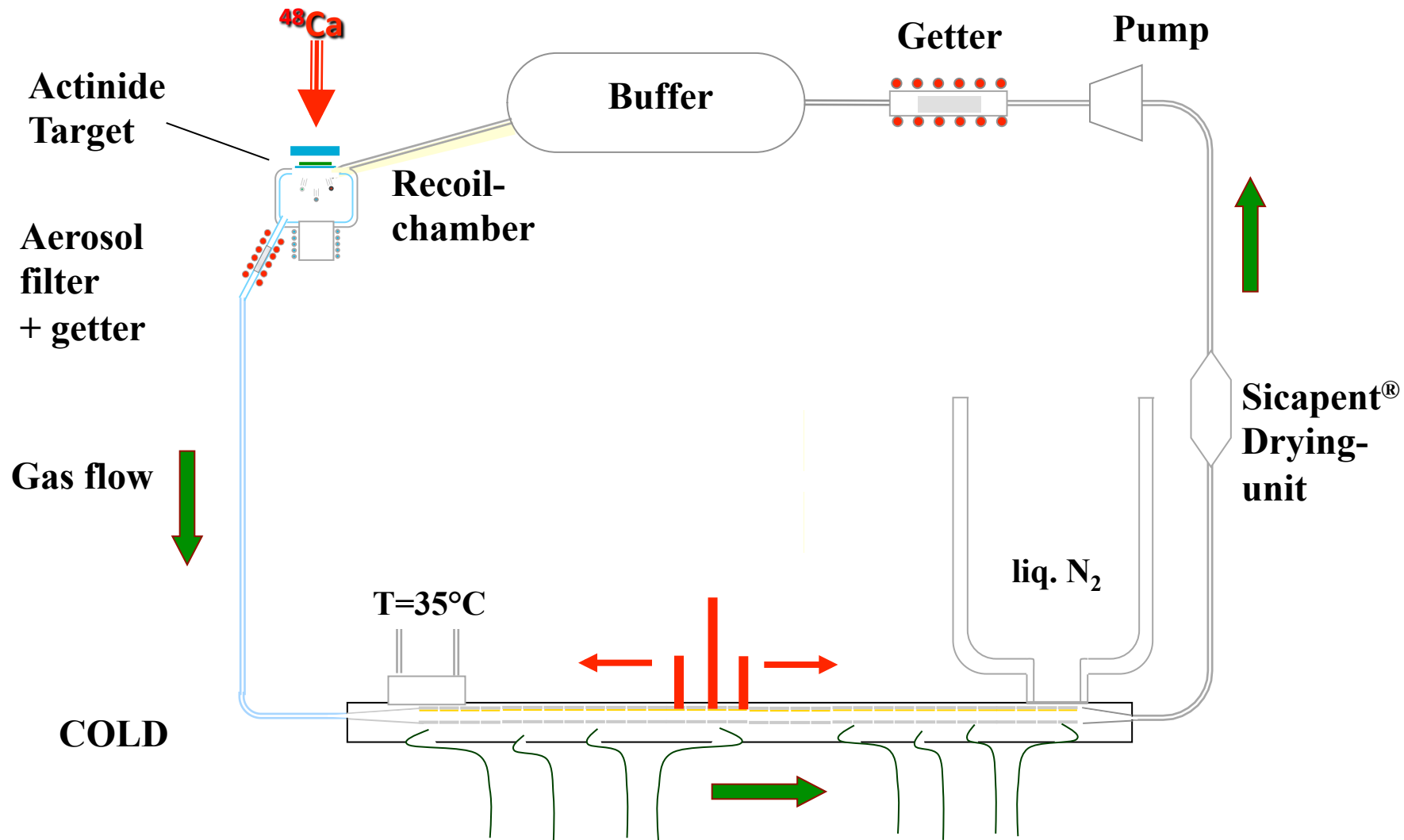


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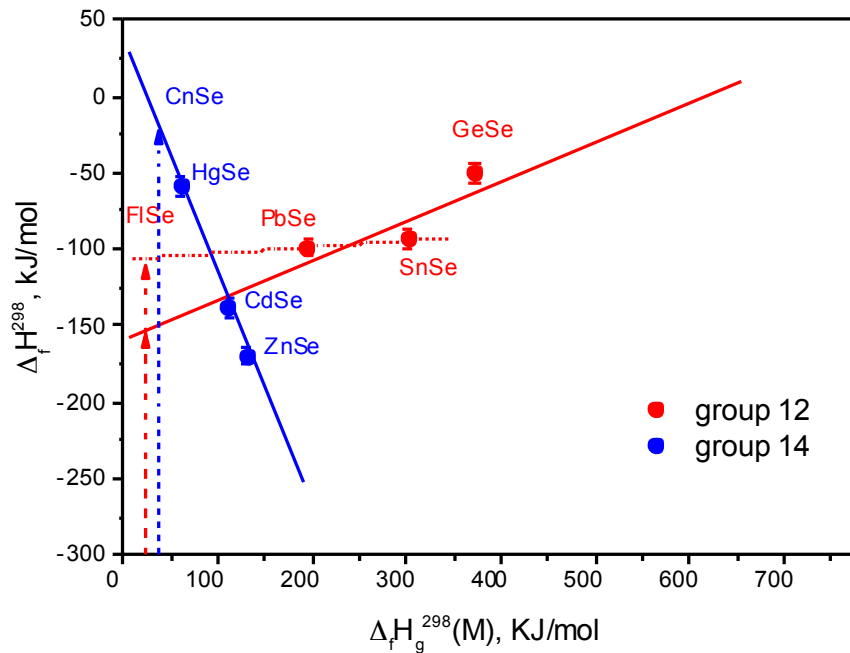


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# Reaction chromatography with SHE using covered detectors

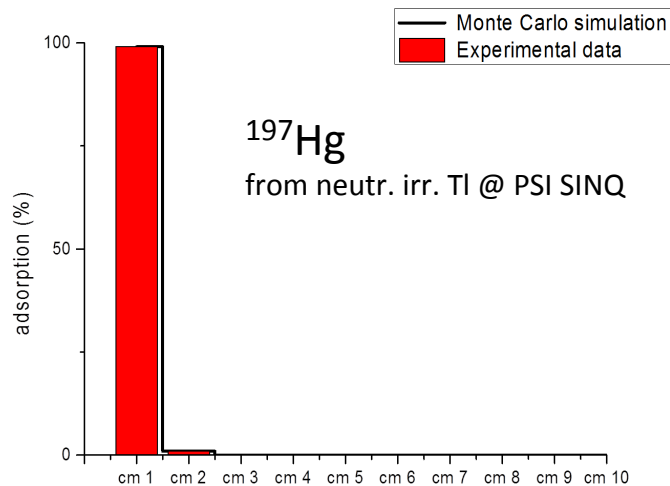
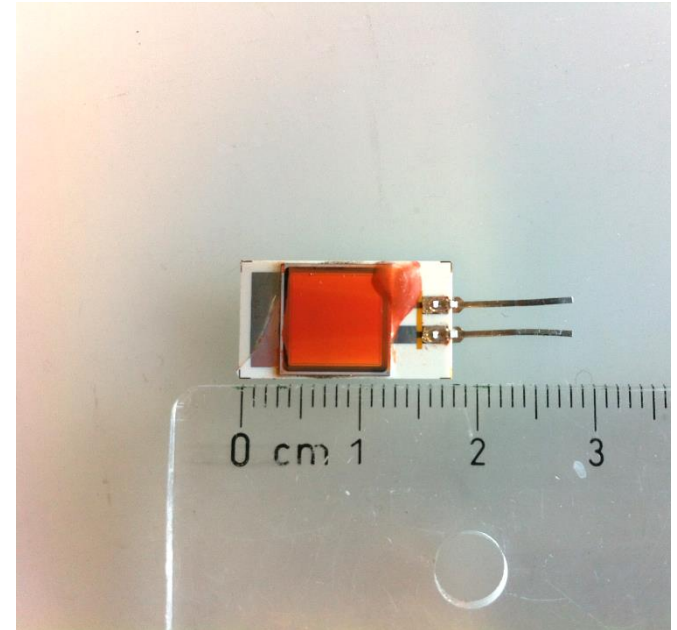
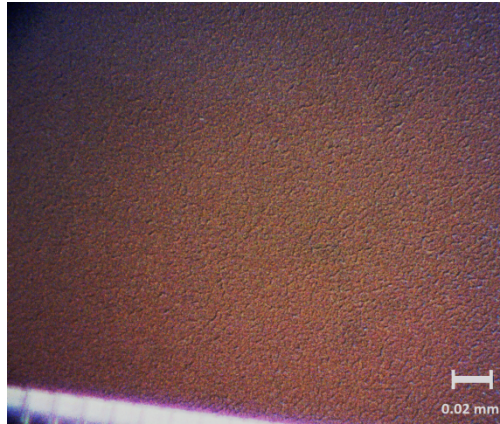
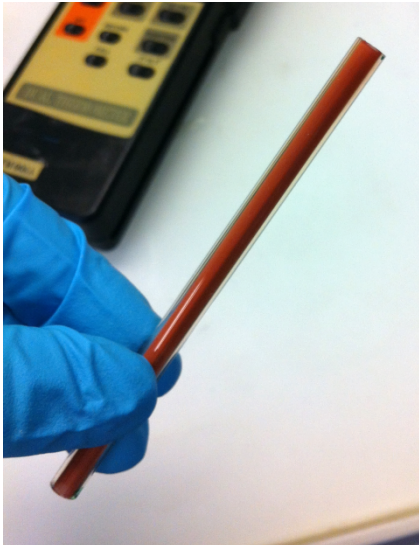


# Reaction chromatography with SHE



Nadine Chiera

# Se columns and PIN diodes

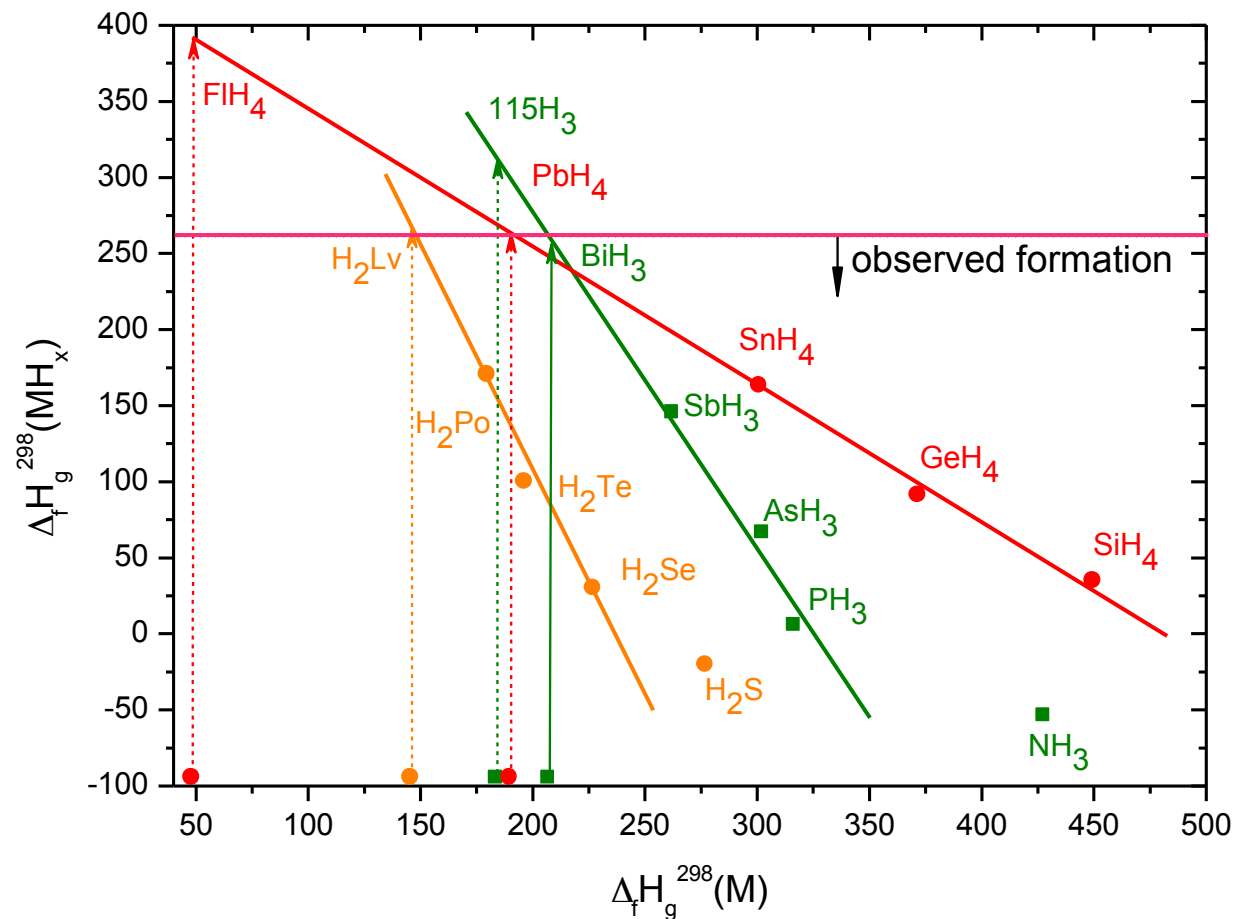


N. Chiera (2014)

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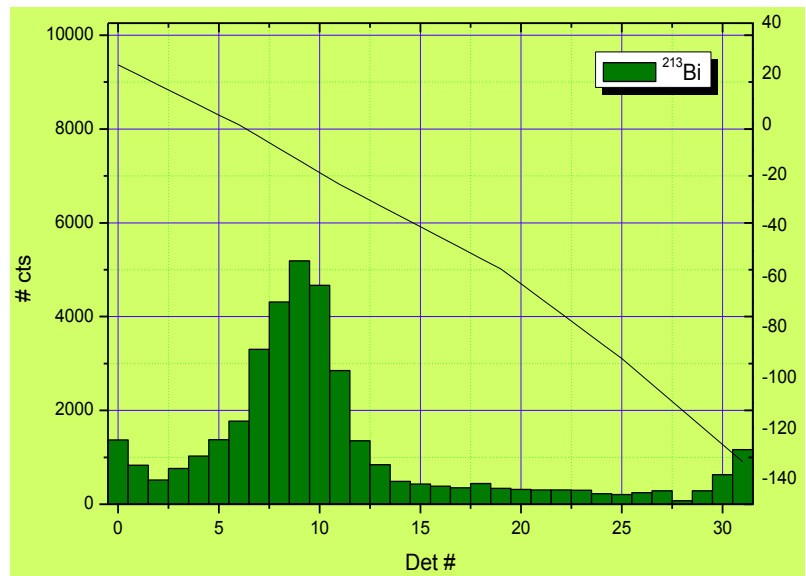
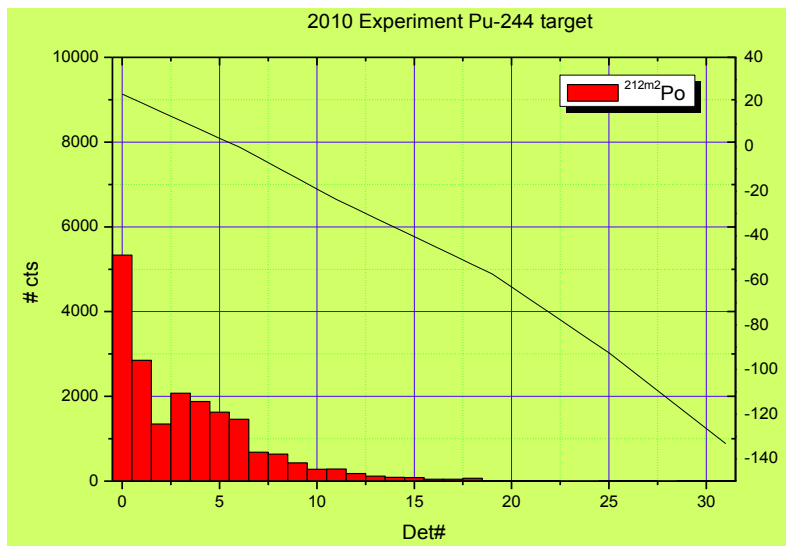
# Reaction chromatography with SHE

## Stability Trends Hydrides of Groups 14-16





# Observation of volatile $PoH_2$ and $BiH_3$



# Interesting Organo-Metal Chemistry

Prediction of properties of alkyl compounds of the elements 112, 114, astatine and 117

Voraussage von Eigenschaften der Alkylverbindungen der Elemente 112, 114, Astat und 117

Von P. HOFFMANN, Fachbereich für Anorganische Chemie und Kernchemie, Eduard-Zintl-Institut,  
Technische Hochschule Darmstadt

Mit 10 Abbildungen. (Eingegangen am 22. November 1972)

## Summary

Using extrapolation methods, the following properties were determined of previously unknown methyl and ethyl compounds of the heavy-heavy elements 112, 114, 117, and of astatine: binding energy for  $112(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ,  $114(\text{CH}_3)_4$ ,  $117\text{CH}_3$ , and  $\text{AtCH}_3$ , atomic heat of formation and dissociation energy for  $114(\text{CH}_3)_4$ , heat of evaporation, plot of vapor pressure, and boiling point for  $114(\text{CH}_3)_4$ ,  $117\text{CH}_3$ , and  $\text{AtCH}_3$ , and ionization potential for  $114(\text{CH}_3)_4$ ,  $117\text{CH}_3$ ,  $117\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$ , as well as for  $\text{AtCH}_3$  and  $\text{AtC}_2\text{H}_5$ .

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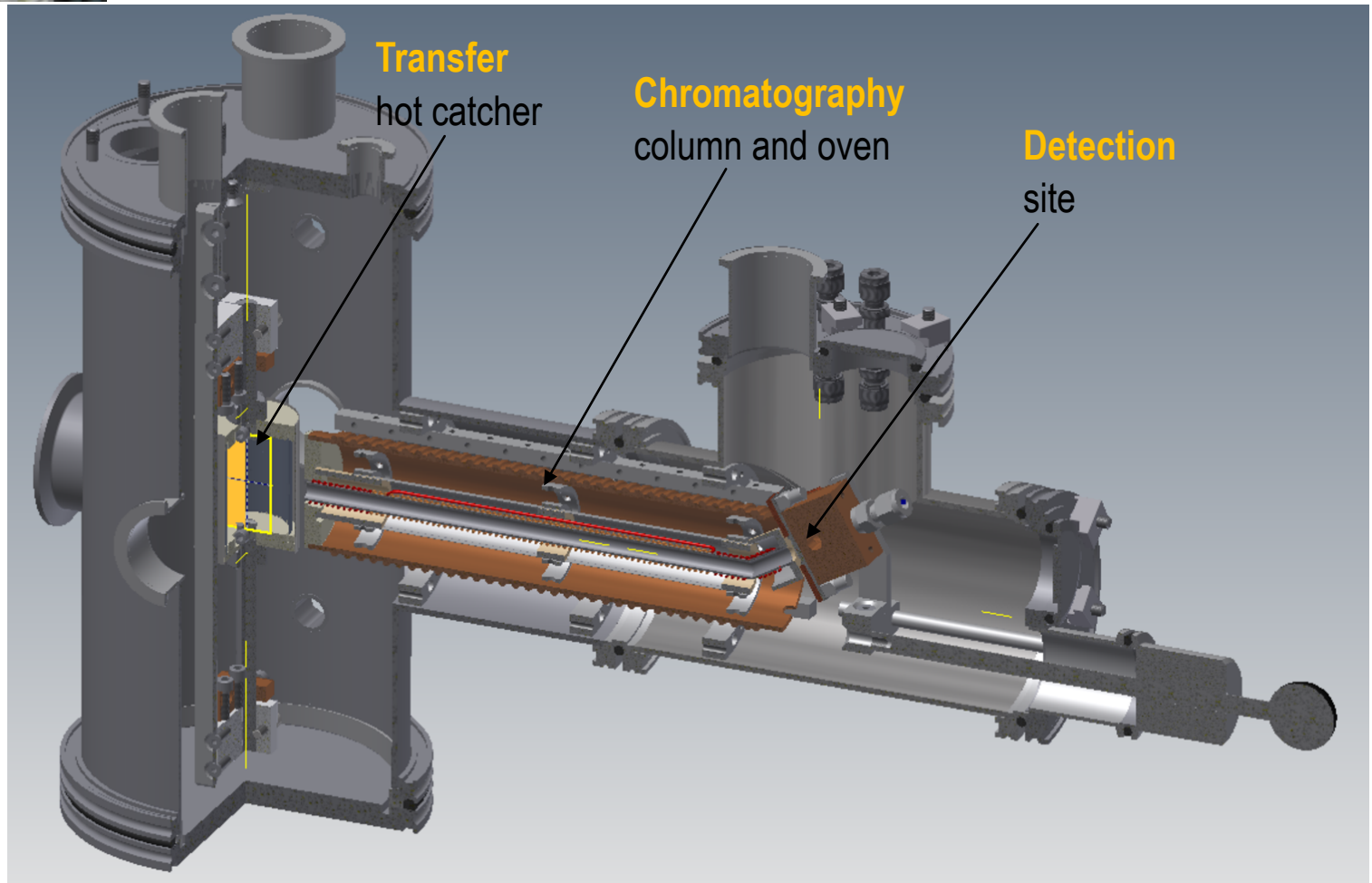
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# Design of a Vacuum Experiment

## Isothermal Vacuum Chromatography IVAC

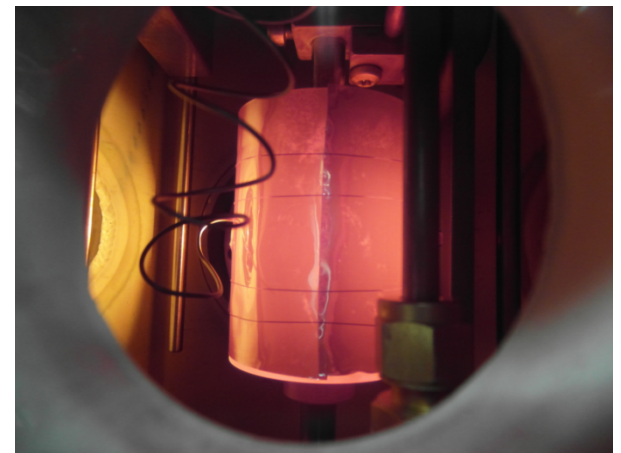
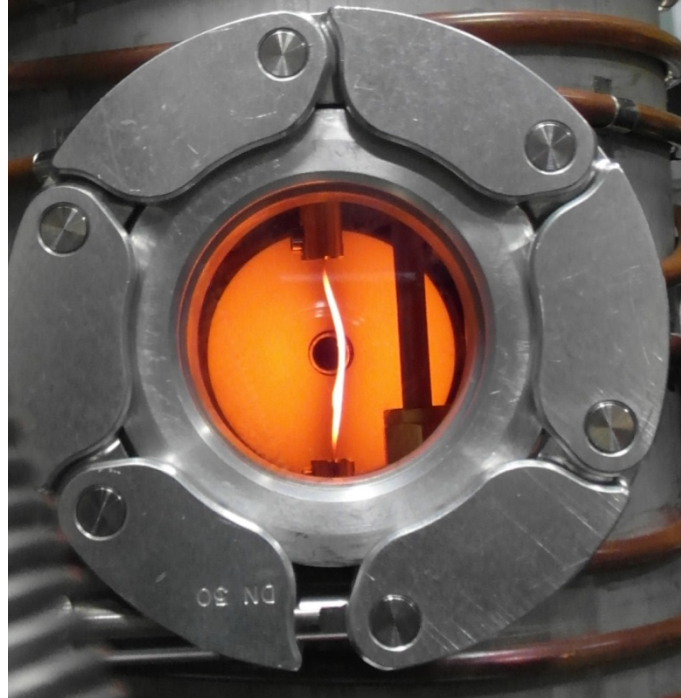


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Dave Piguet



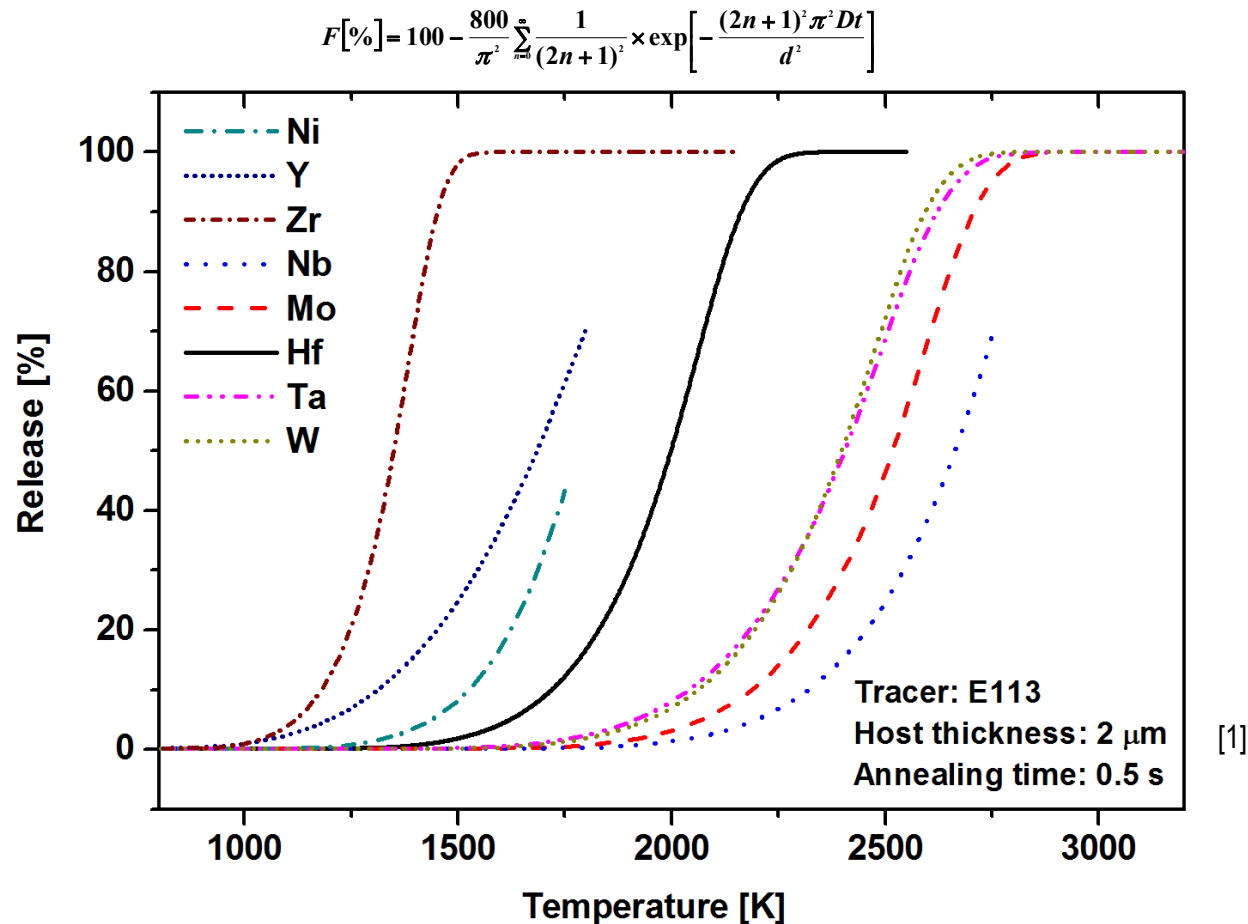
Successful Proof-of-principle experiment in 2014 collaboration with ASRC @ JAEA!

# Hot Catcher - Release



# Release Kinetics E113

Prediction for the thermal release of E113 from various metal matrices acting as **hot catcher**.



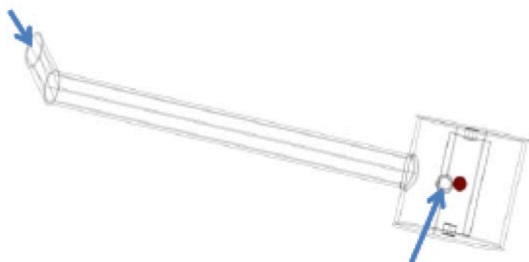


# COMSOL Multiphysics®

## IVAC time simulation w/o adsorption retention

0 ms: Start of release from 3 mm spot

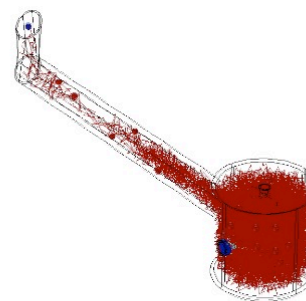
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entrance

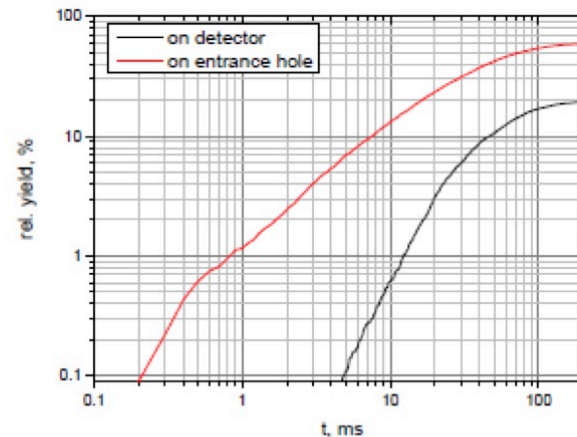
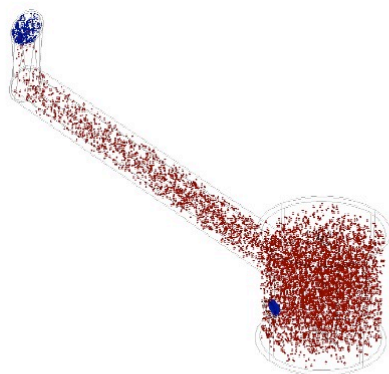
19 ms: First atom arrives @ detector

Time=0.01 Particle trajectories



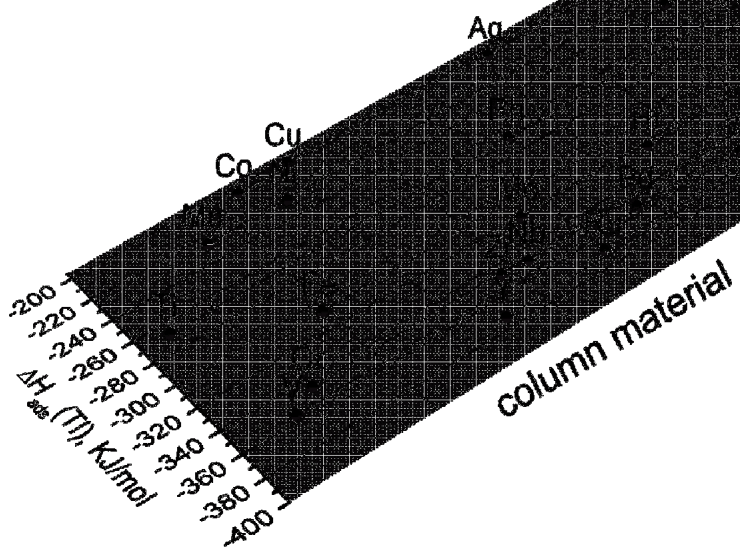
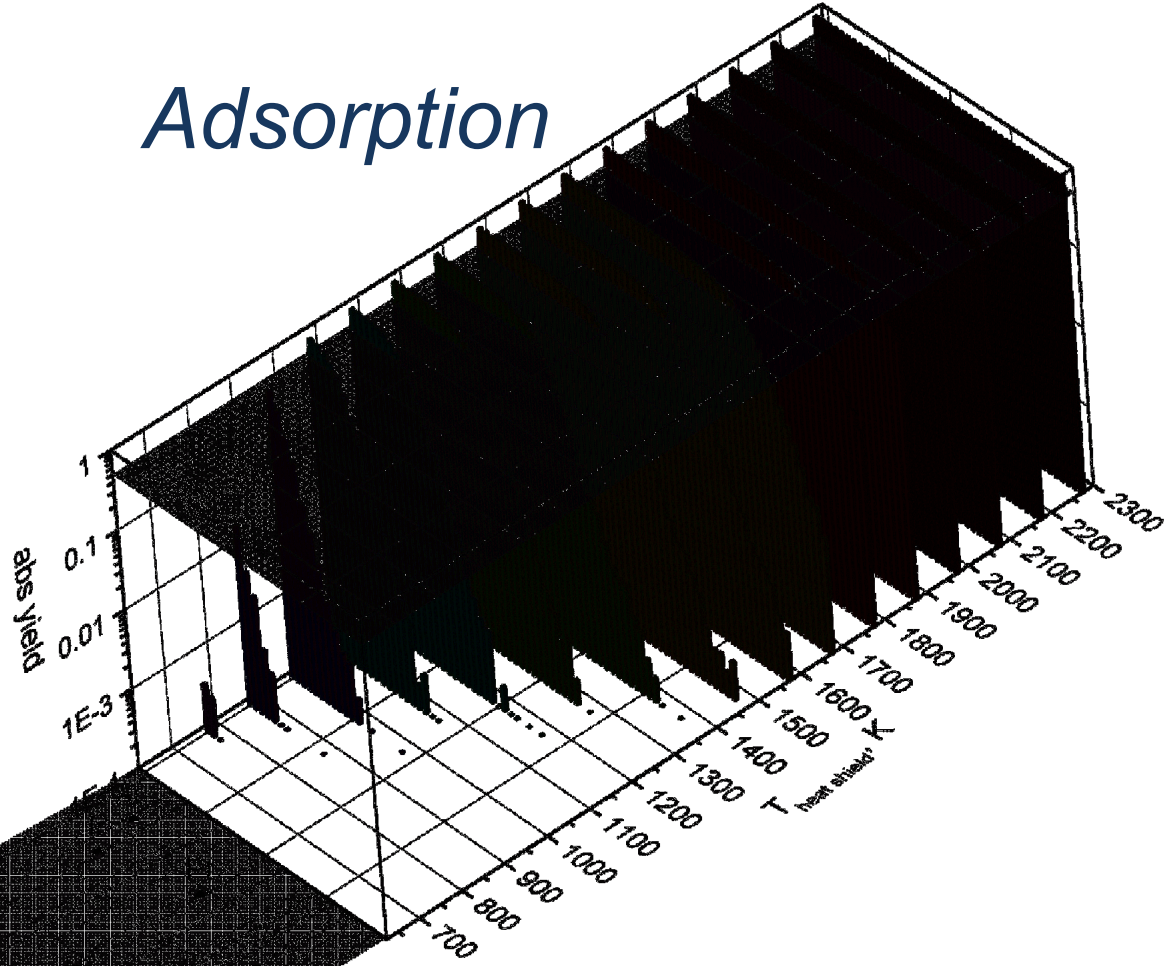
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Time=0.02

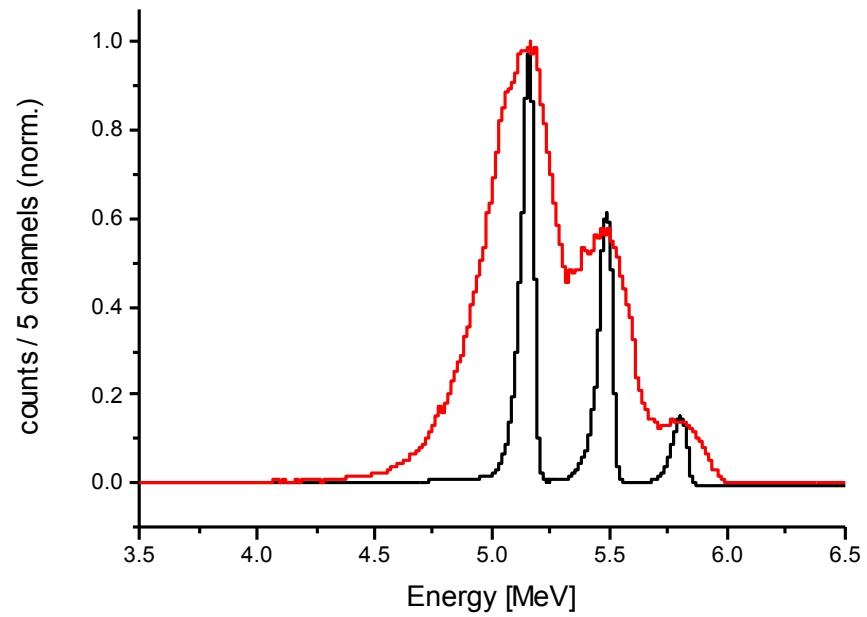
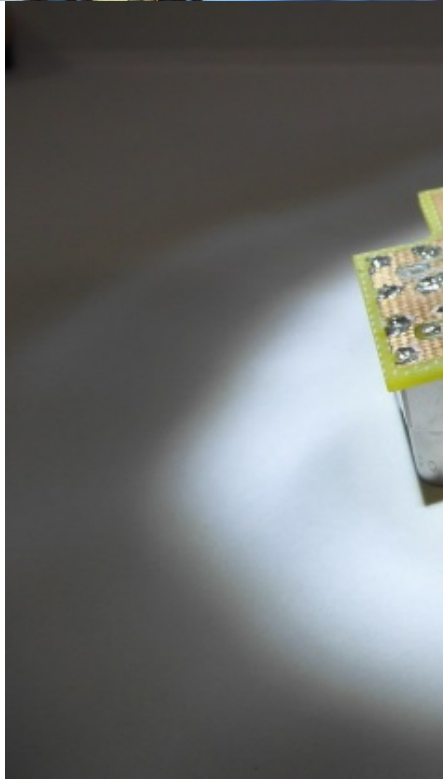
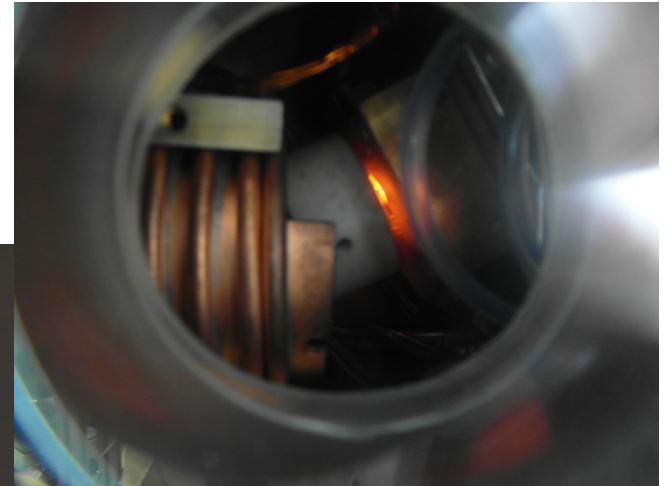
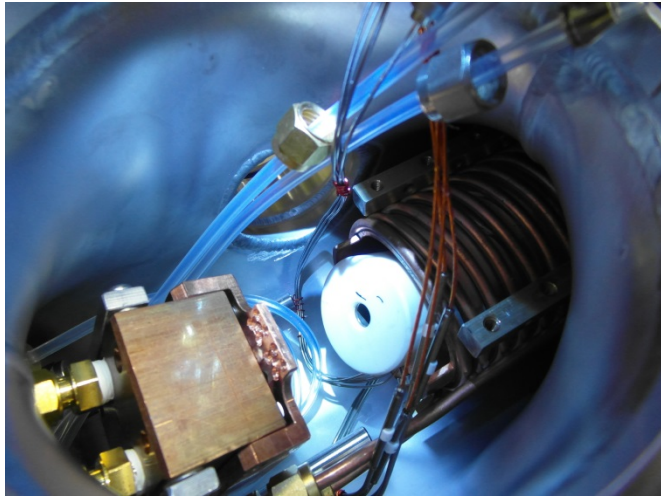




# Adsorption

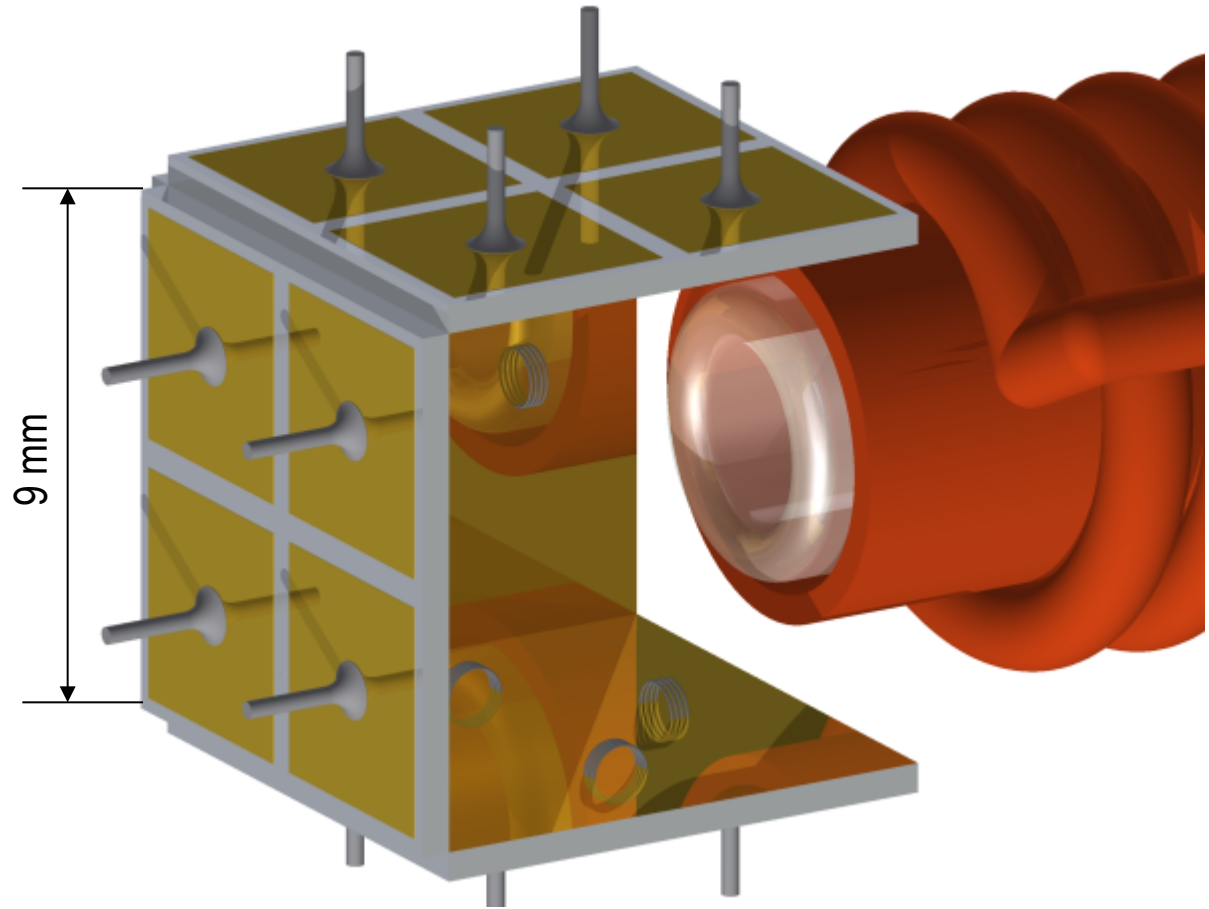


$$T_{05} = 0.1 \text{ s}$$



*P. Steinegger (2014)*

# *Diamond detector assembly*





# Future Transactinide Chemistry

## Summary s- and p- elements

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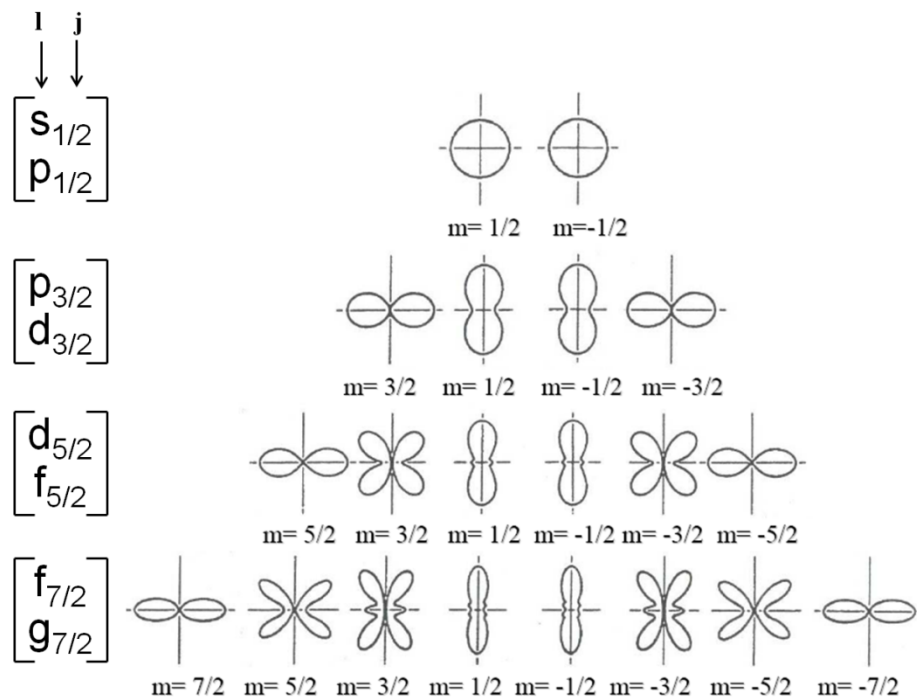
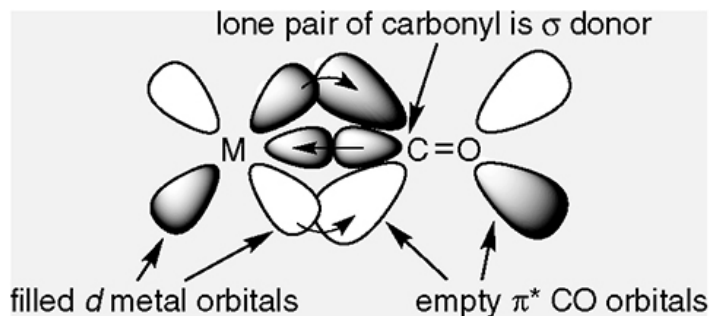
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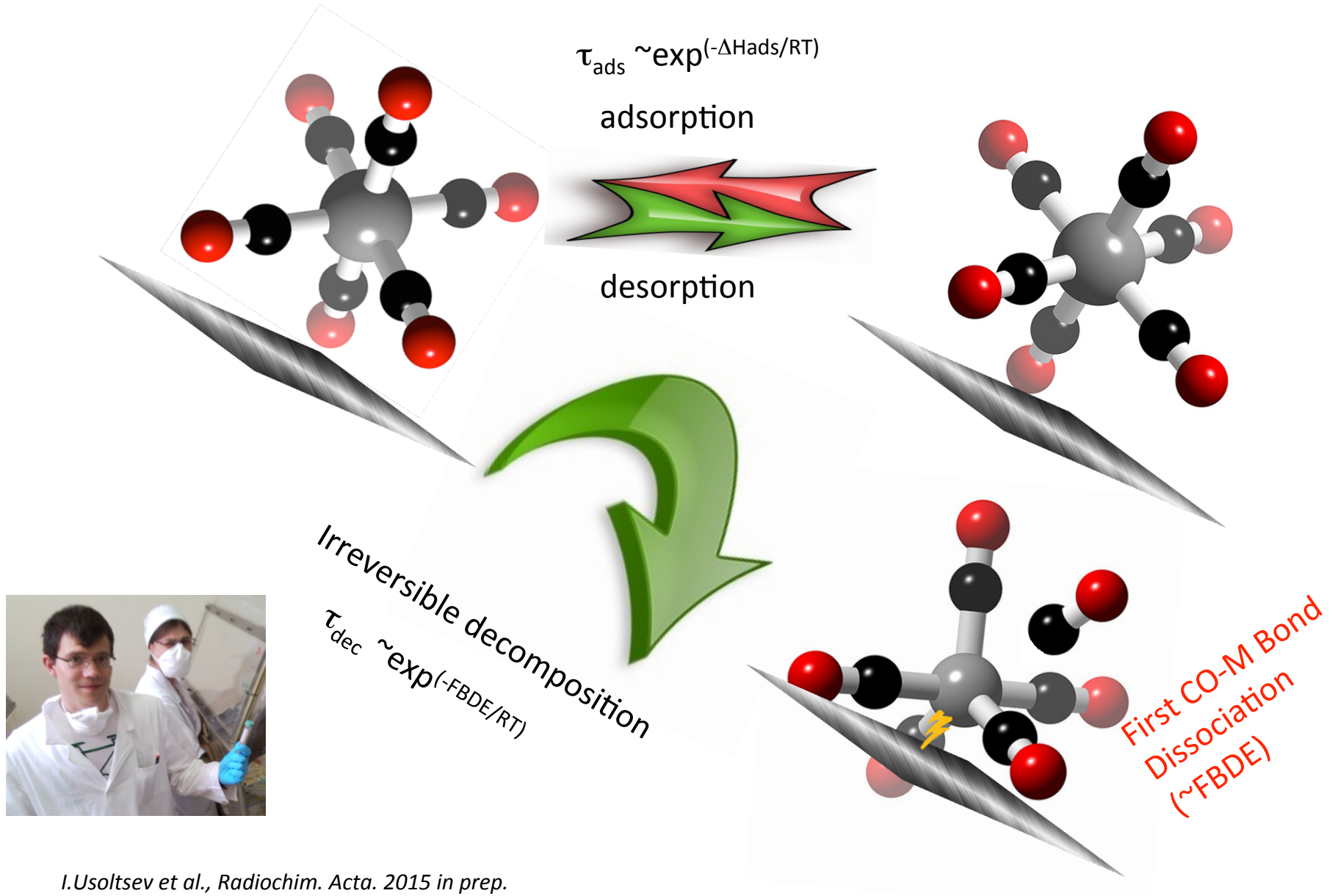
# Carbonyl Chemistry with Transactinides

## Dirac Orbitals relativistic



O.L. Keller, Radiochim. Acta 37 (1984) 169; adapted from H. White, Phys. Rev. 38 (1931) 513

# 2-Step Decomposition for $M(\text{CO})_6$



I. Usoltsev et al., *Radiochim. Acta.* 2015 in prep.

# The CO Collaboration

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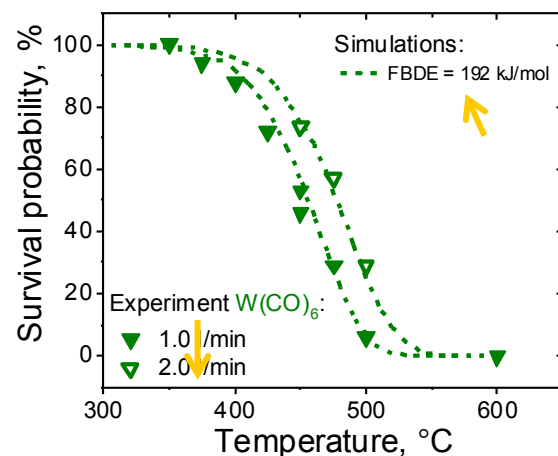
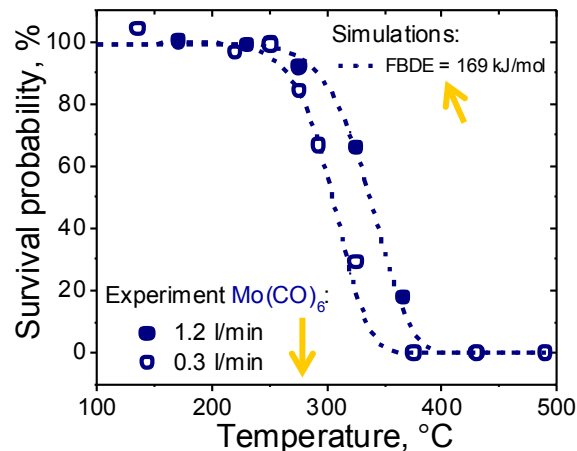
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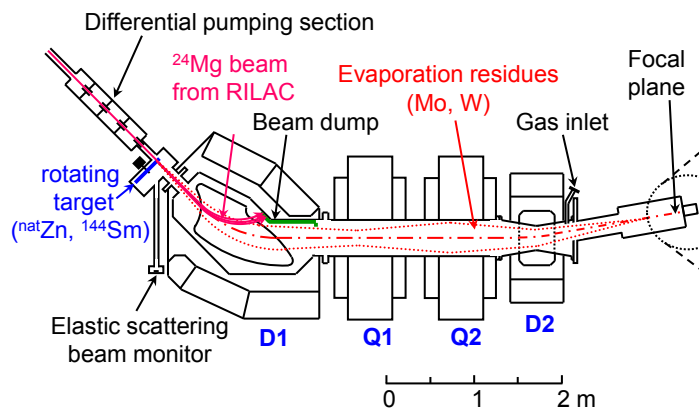
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# Decomposition studies: $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_6 + \text{W}(\text{CO})_6$

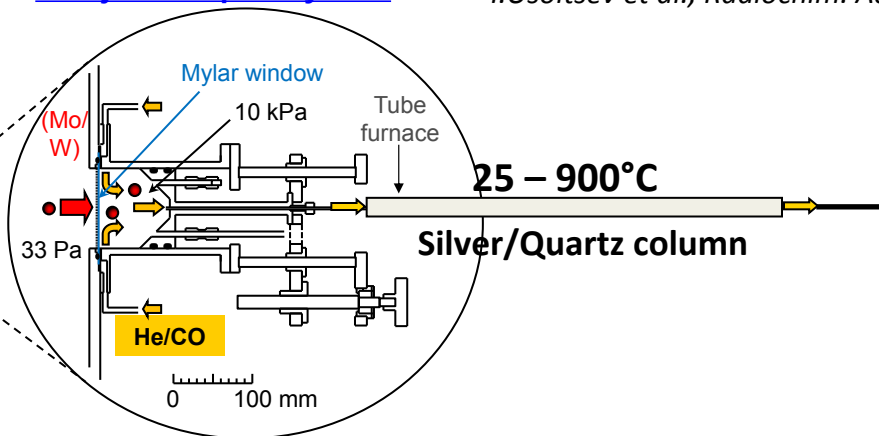


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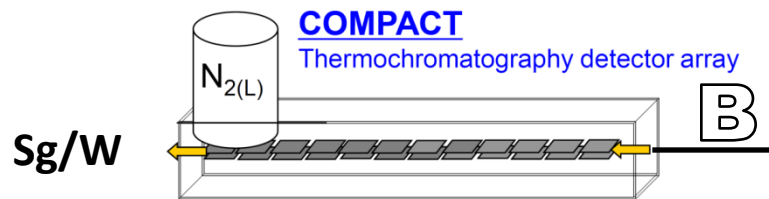


## Gas-jet transport system

*I. Usoltsev et al., Radiochim. Acta. 2015 in prep.*



K.E. Lewis et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 106 (1984) 3905



Beam time proposal of the «CO collaboration» accepted at RIKEN ML-PAC Jan. 2015



# Exciting Future Carbonyl Chemistry

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- Carbonyl chemistry
  - What are the volatile complexes observed?
  - How they are formed most efficiently?
  - Their volatility and thermal stability?
    - High temperature detectors!

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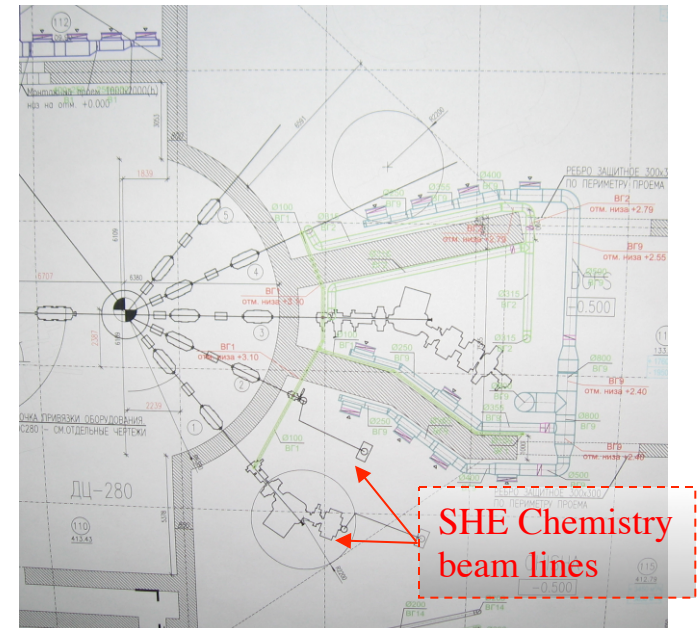
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- Further gas phase chemical investigations  
 \* low oxidation states oxides, hydroxides, chlorides ...  
 \* volatile organo-metallic compounds

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# SHE-Factory @ FLNR Dubna

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# *Requirements for Future Chemistry with SHE*

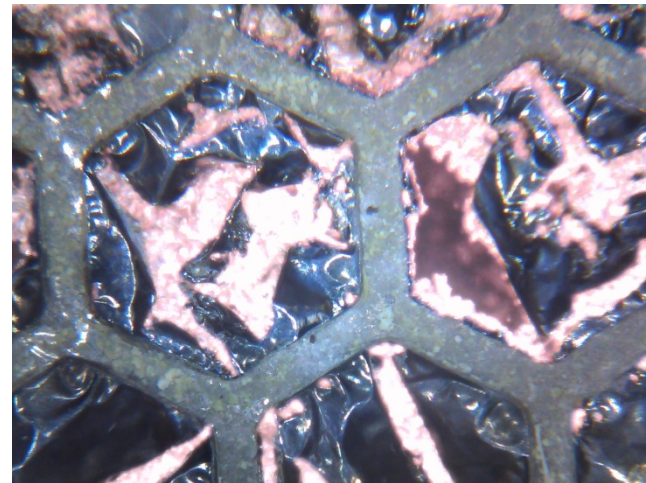
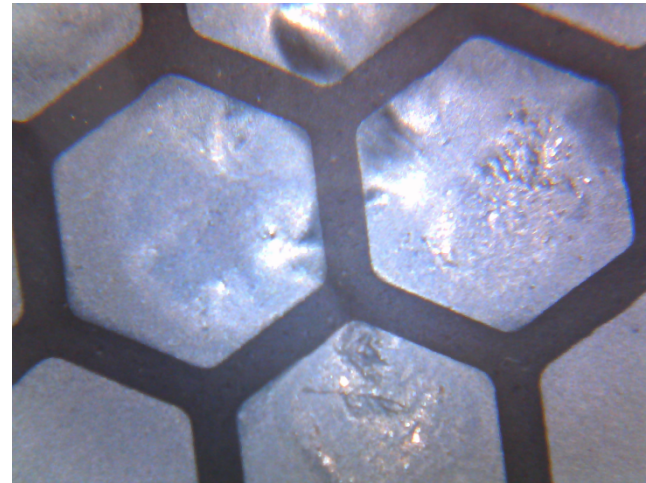
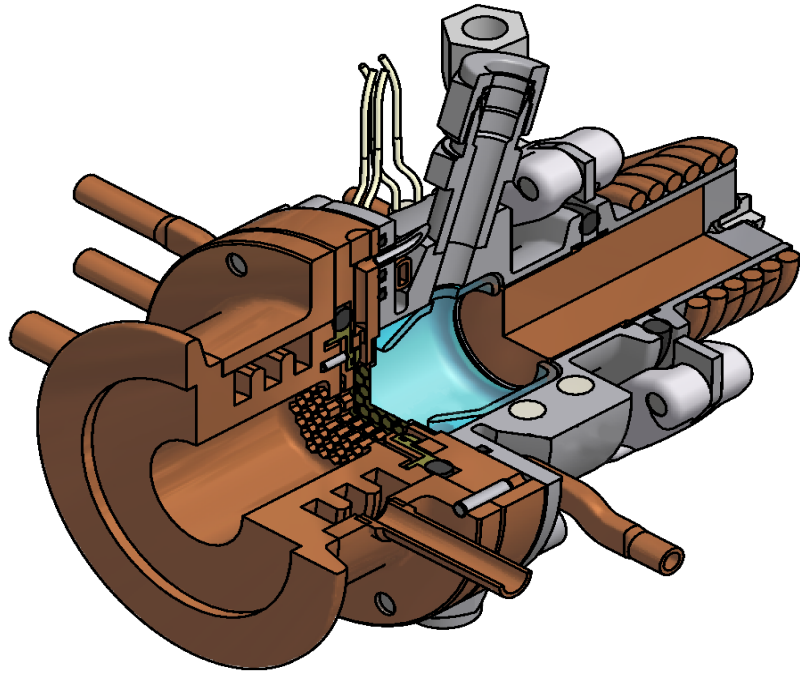
## Preparation for Chemistry:

- transmission >50% with thick targets 0.5-1 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- small focal plane image 2x2 cm<sup>2</sup>
- primary beam separation
- ideal for chemistry would be mass < 240 separation from SHE

→ We need to discuss design options and start the real project soon!



# 10-fold beam intensity = target problems !



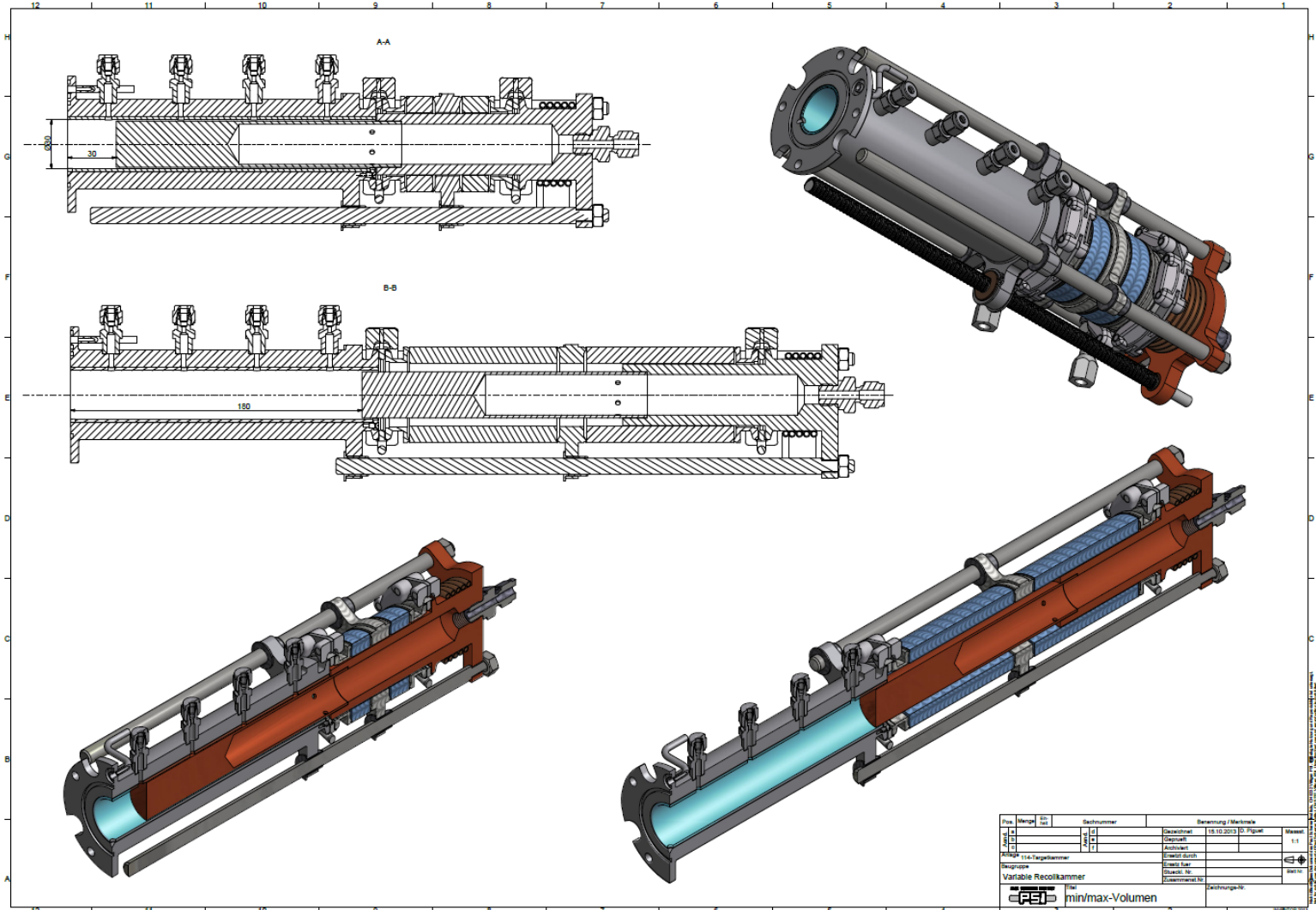
## Problems of destruction:

- production (physics and chemistry)
- beam scattering/no-stripping (physics)
- stopping (chemistry)



improved the target techniques needed  
→ intermetallic targets (first step)

# Recoil range of SHE in plasma???



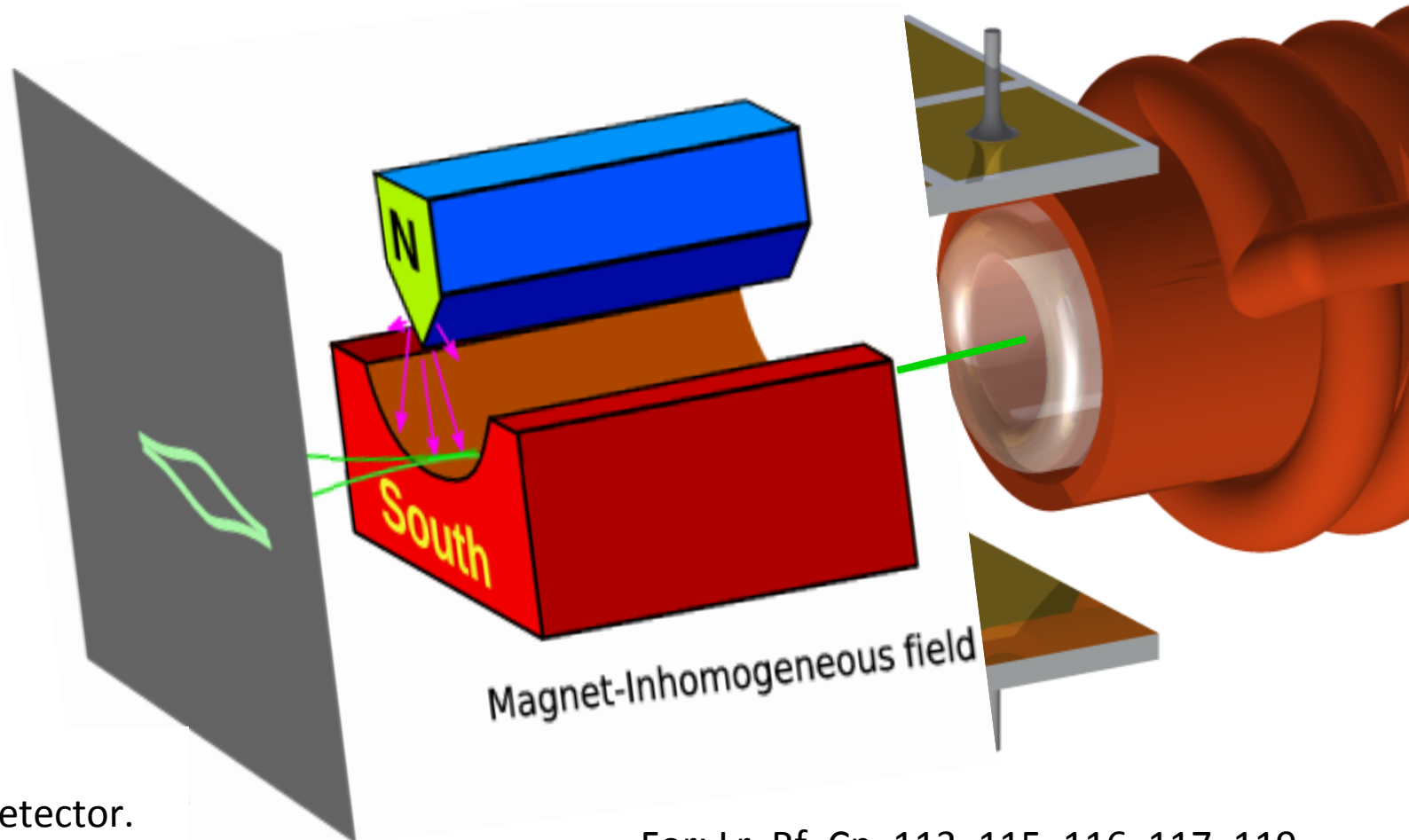
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## Stern Gerlach - «fast chemistry»

IVAC as atomic beam source



Pixelated  
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e.g. diamond array.

For: Lr, Rf, Cn, 113, 115, 116, 117, 119

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