

# Fission experiments using $^{254}\text{Es}$ target at the JAEA tandem

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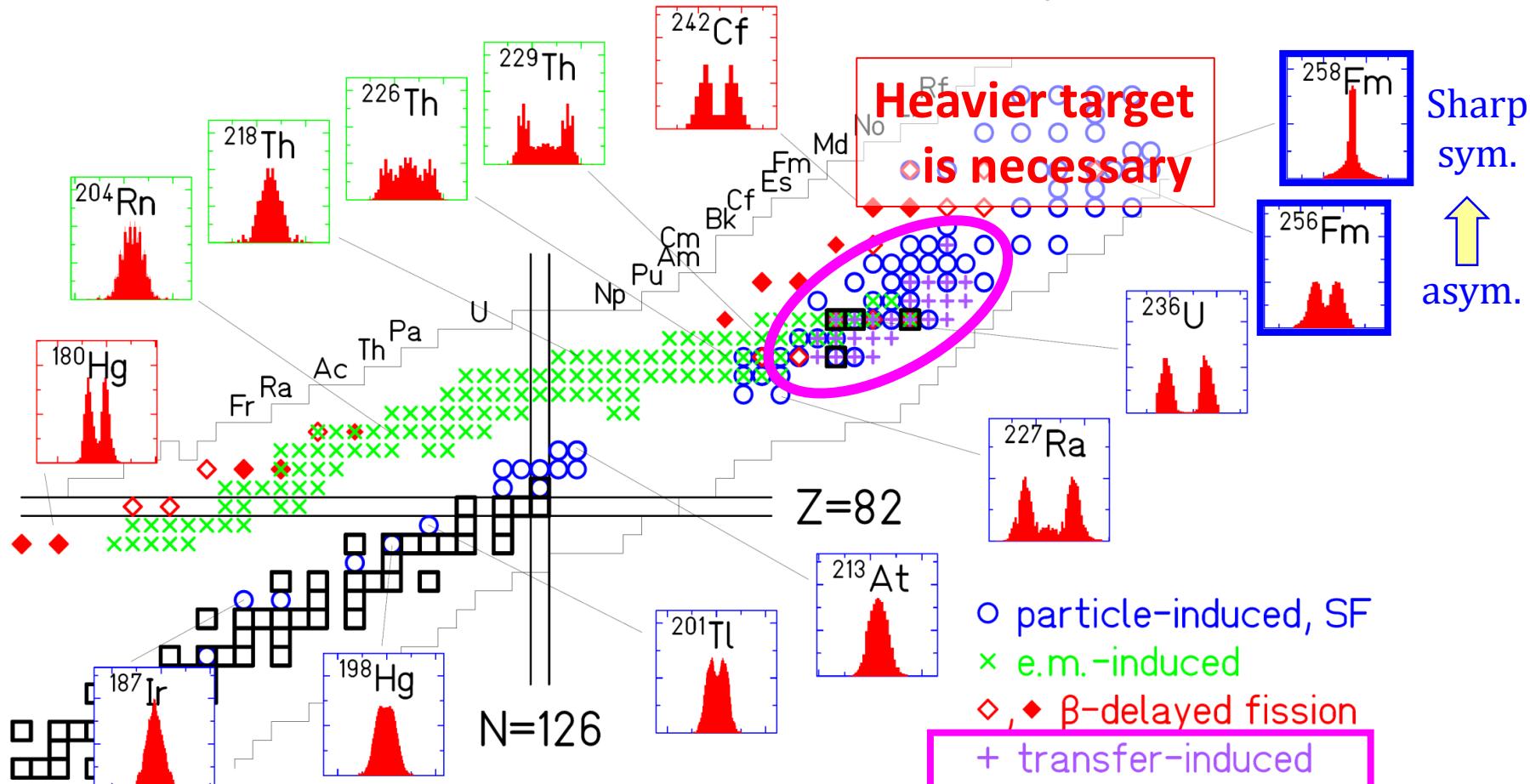
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# Outlook

- Introduction
- $^{254}\text{Es}$  target
- $^4\text{He} + ^{254}\text{Es}$  experiment ( $^{258}\text{Md}^*$ )
- Spontaneous fission ( $^{256}\text{Fm}$ ,  $^{258}\text{Fm}$ ,  $^{259}\text{Lr}$ )
- Summary

# Measured Fragment Mass/Charge Yield

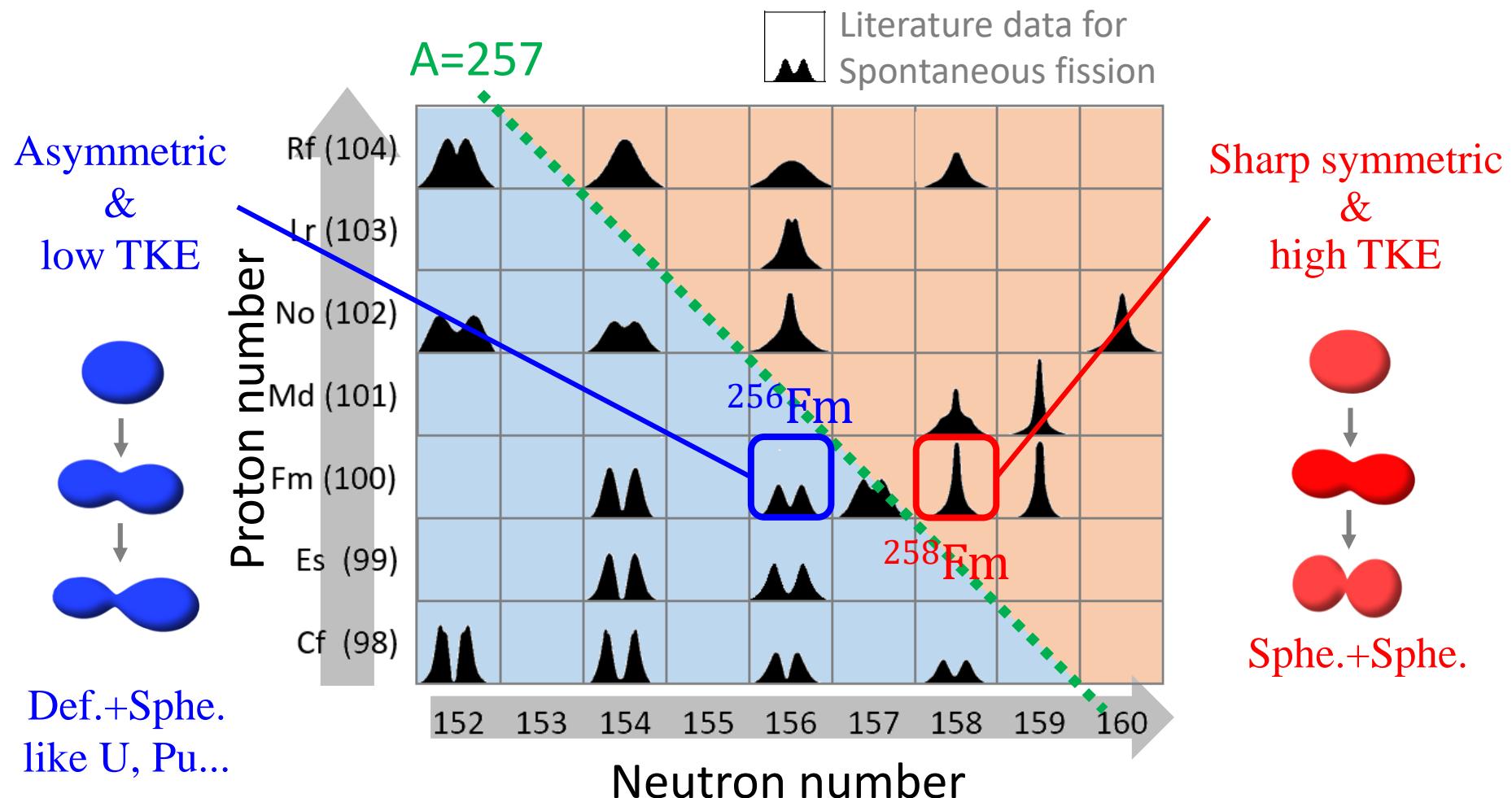
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Multi-nucleon transfer fission + actinide targets

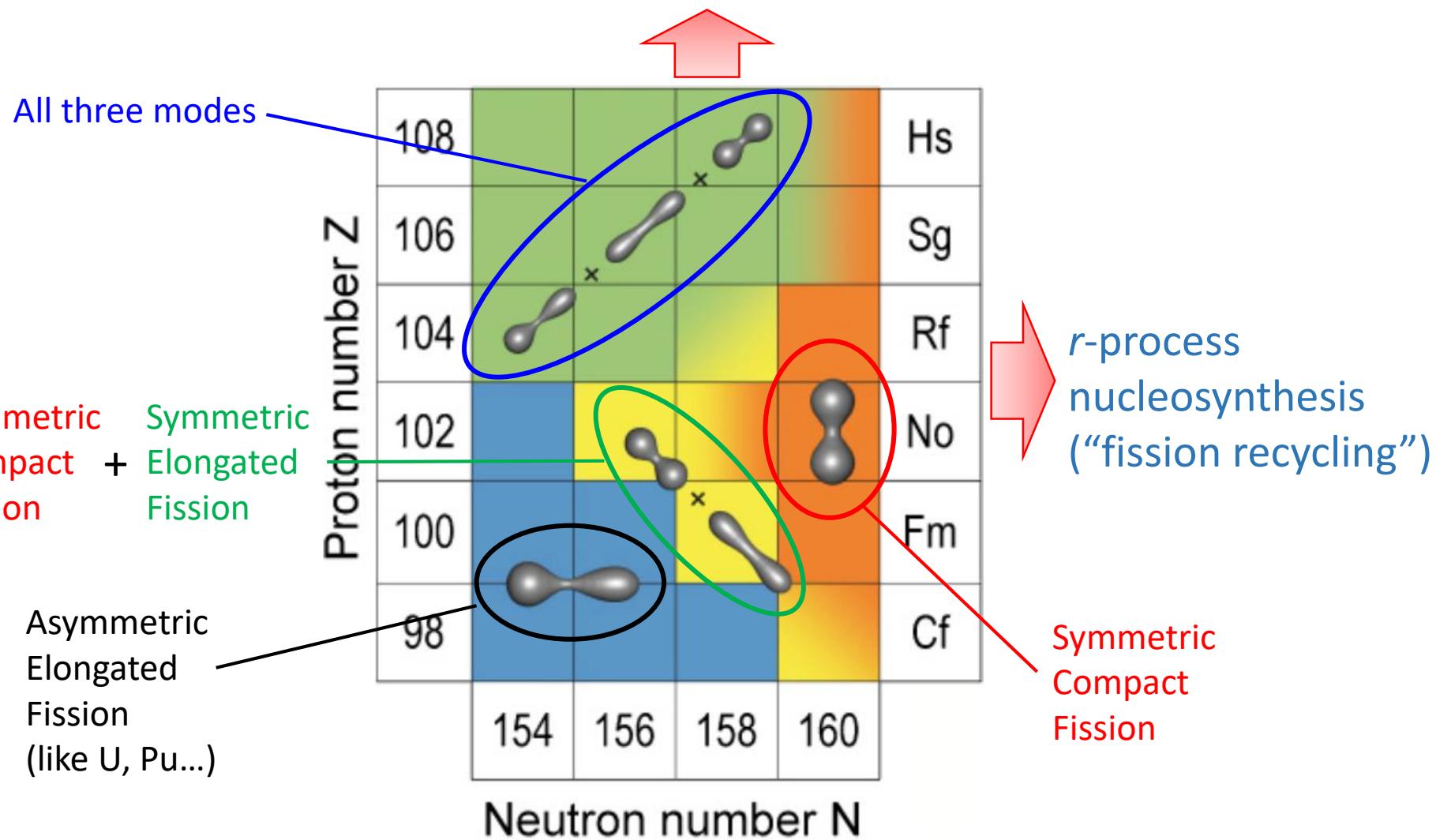
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# FFMDs around A=257 by SF

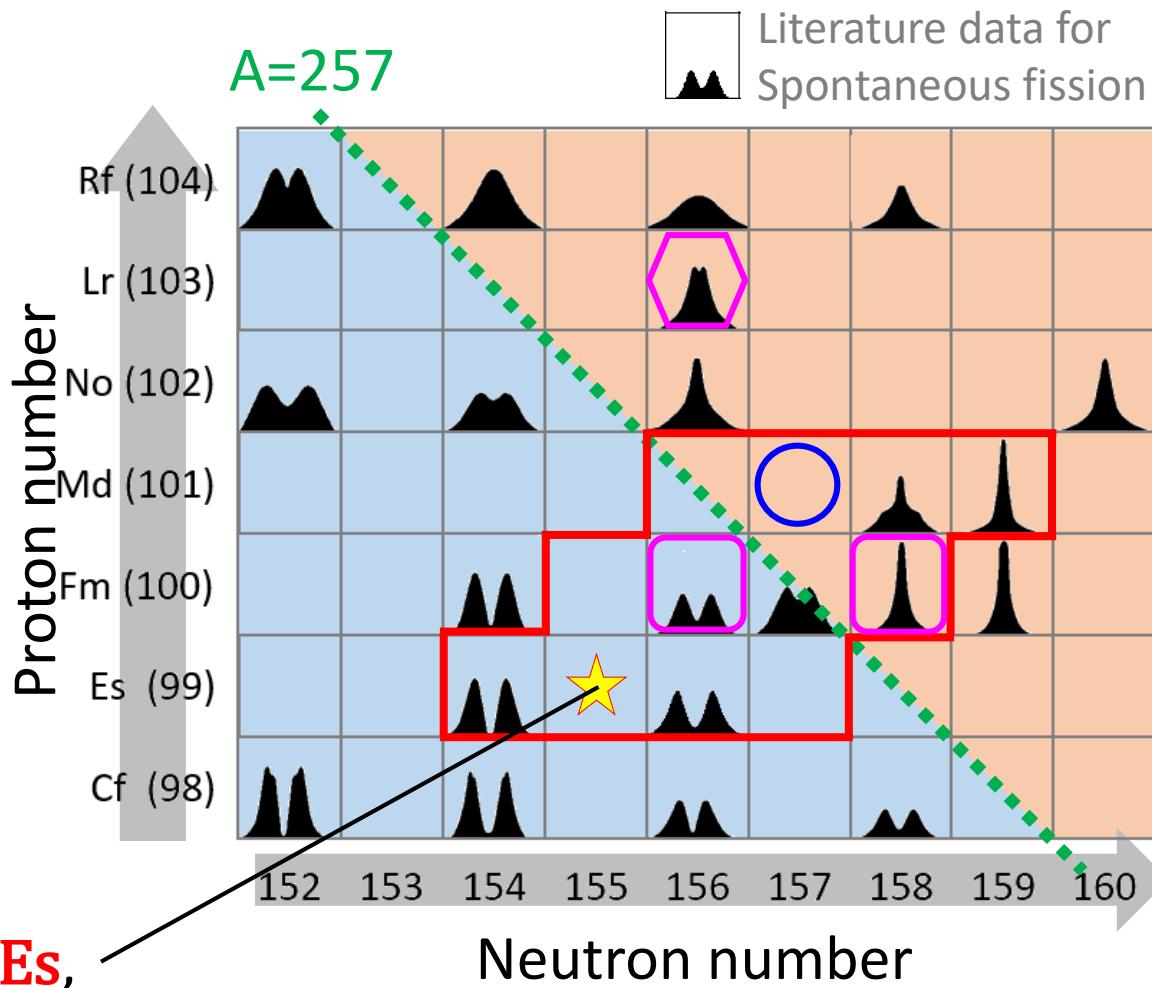


# Coexistence of several fission modes

SHE synthesis (*resistance to fission*)



# FFMDs around A=257 by SF



Using  $^{254}\text{Es}$ ,

Neutron number

Induced fission by  $^4\text{He} + ^{254}\text{Es}$

Spontaneous Fission using  $^{254}\text{Es}(^{18}\text{O}, \text{X})$ ,  $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{15}\text{N}, 4\text{n})$

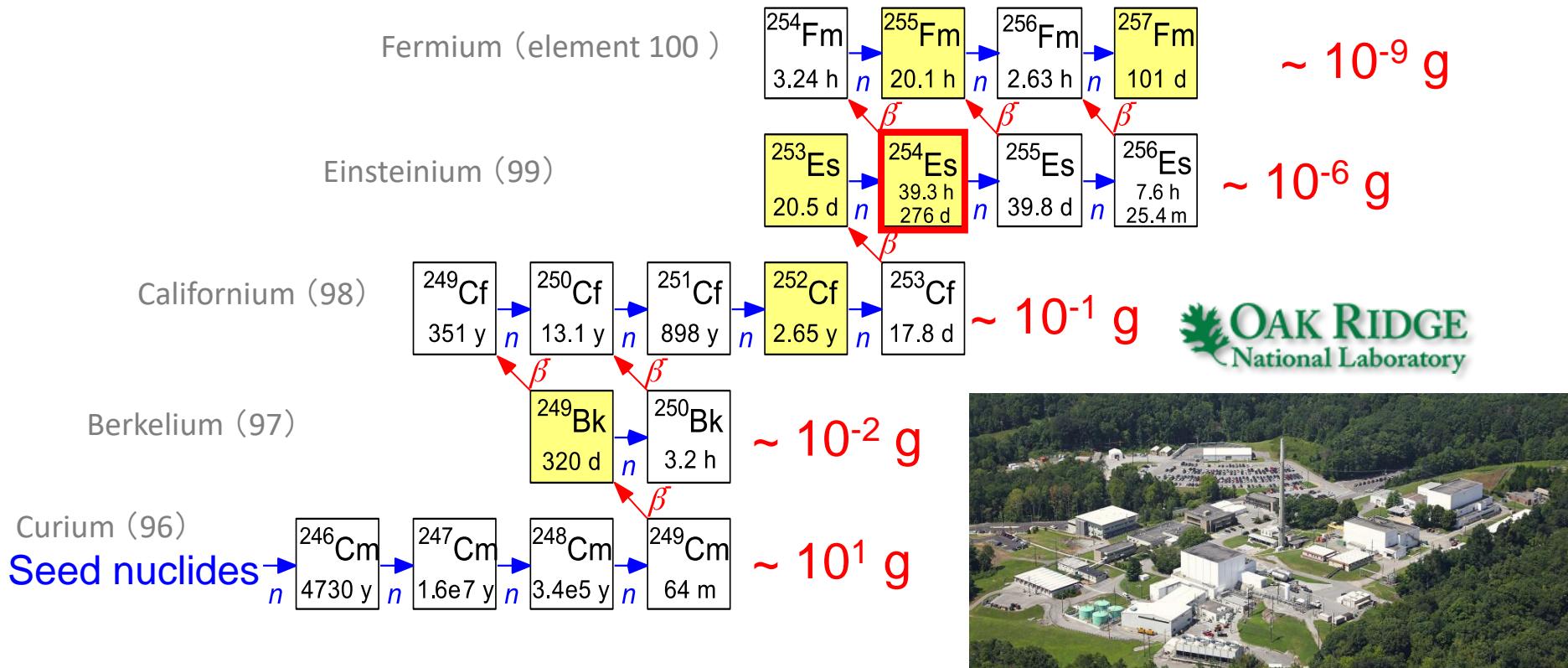
Multi-nucleon transfer reaction  $^{18}\text{O} + ^{254}\text{Es}$

Fission of  
 $^{258}\text{Md}$   
 $^{256}\text{Fm}$   
 $^{258}\text{Fm}$   
 $^{259}\text{Lr}$   
 will be shown

# $^{254}\text{Es}$ ( $T_{1/2} = 276$ days) from ORNL

## High Flux Isotope Reactor(HFIR) at ORNL

- production of  $^{252}\text{Cf}$
- also  $^{254}\text{Es}$  as a by-product



<https://neutrons.ornl.gov/hfir>

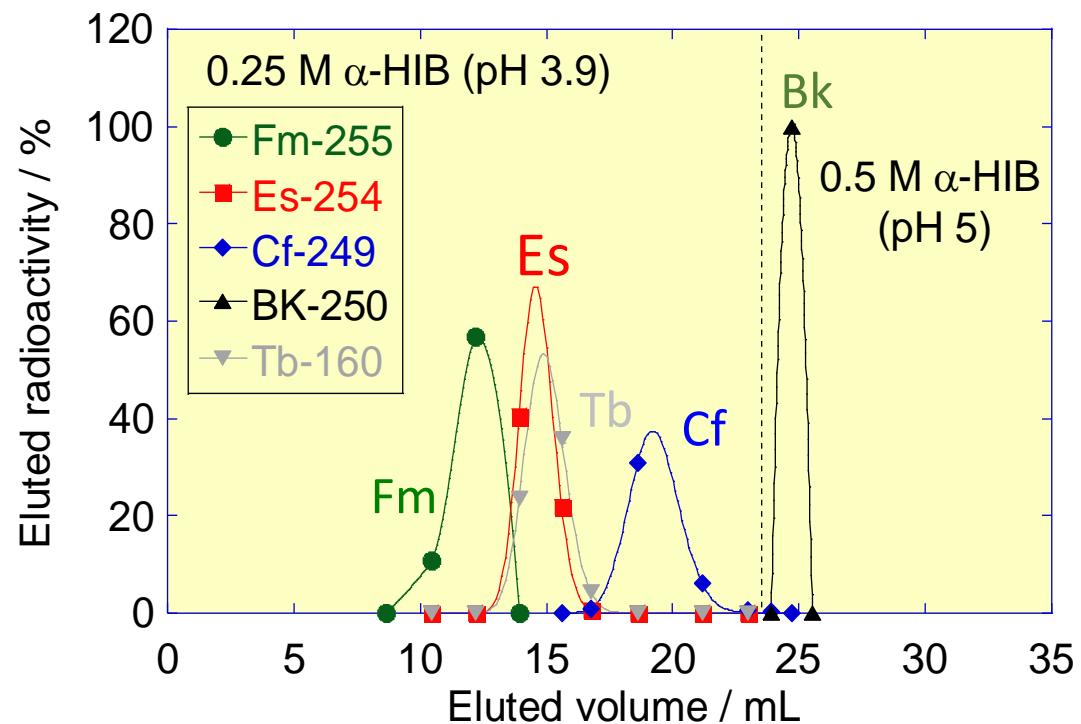
0.5  $\mu\text{g}$  of  $^{254}\text{Es}$  was transported to JAEA (2017.Oct.)

# Purification of $^{254}\text{Es}$

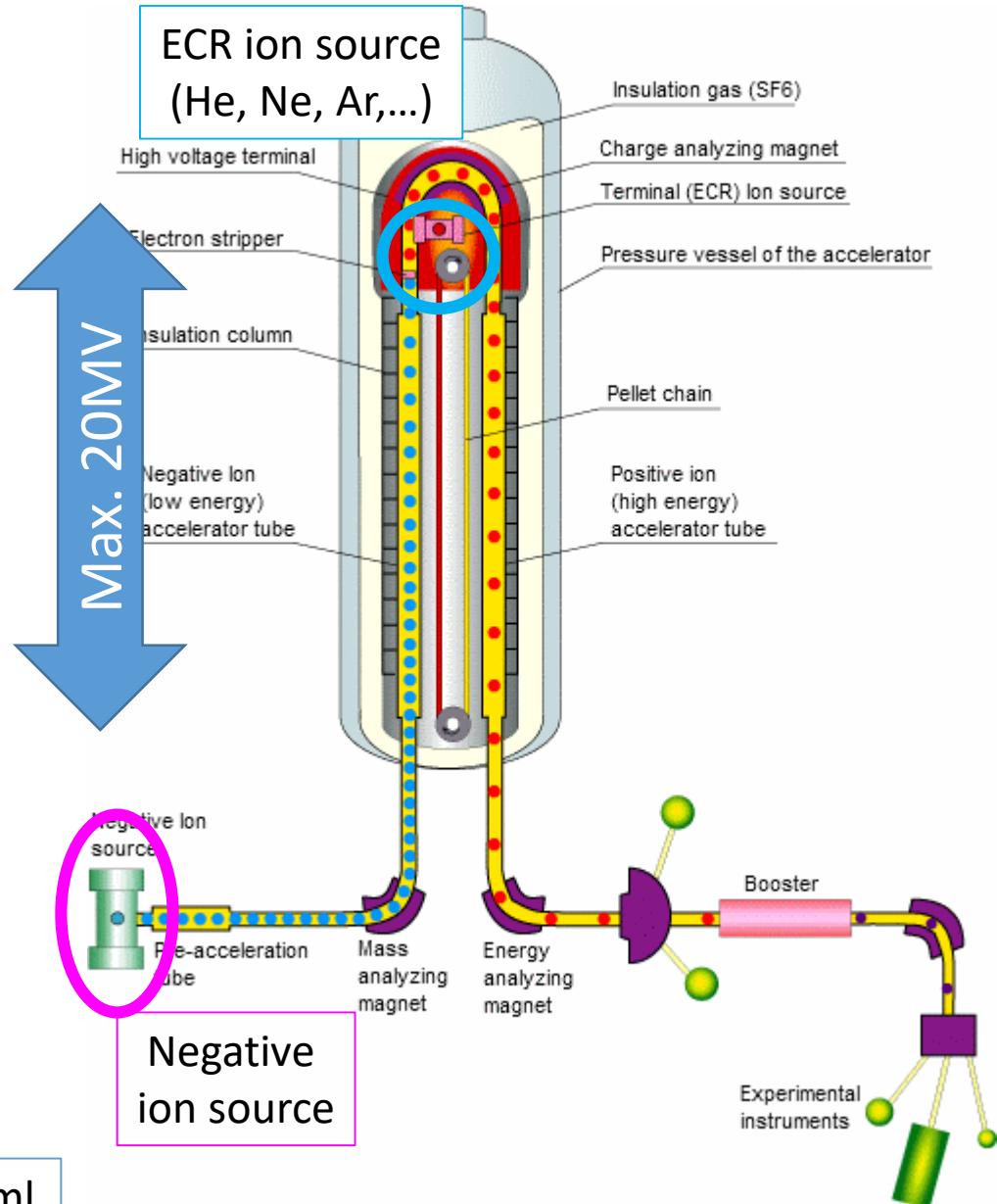


Chemical separation  
@ JAEA tandem

$^{254}\text{Es}$  decays with  $T_{1/2}=276$  d.  
 $\rightarrow 7.3\%$  decays per month



# JAEA tandem



## Magnetic Spectrograph



In-beam fission/  
 $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy



$^{258}\text{Md}^*$

RI materials can be used  
(Th, U, Np, Pu, Am, Cm,  
Bk, Cf, Es)

## Booster Linac



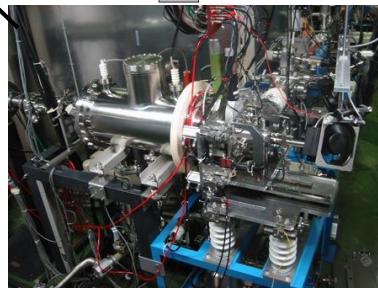
## Recoil Mass Separator



## Ge-detector array

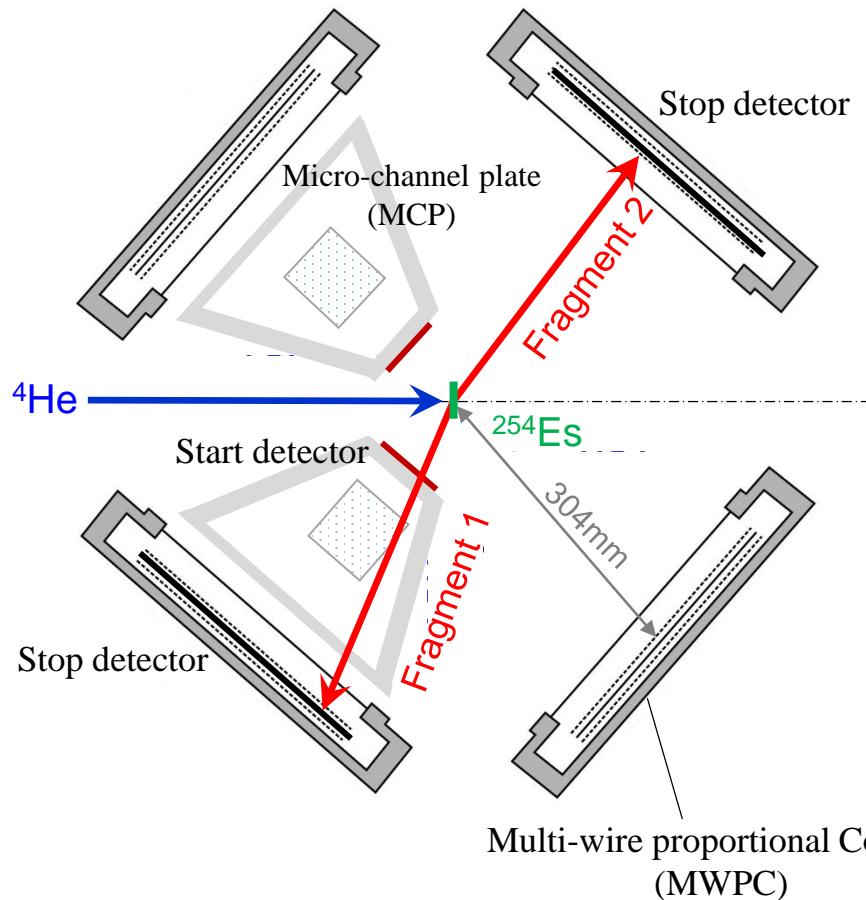


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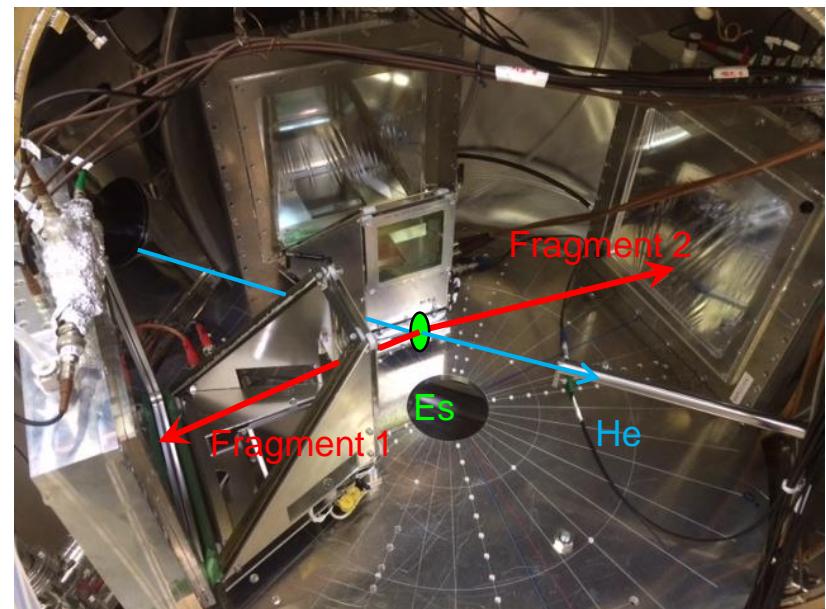
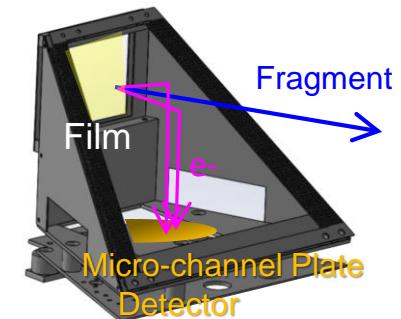


$^{256,258}\text{Fm}$ ,  $^{259}\text{Lr}$

# Setup for ${}^4\text{He} + {}^{254}\text{Es}$

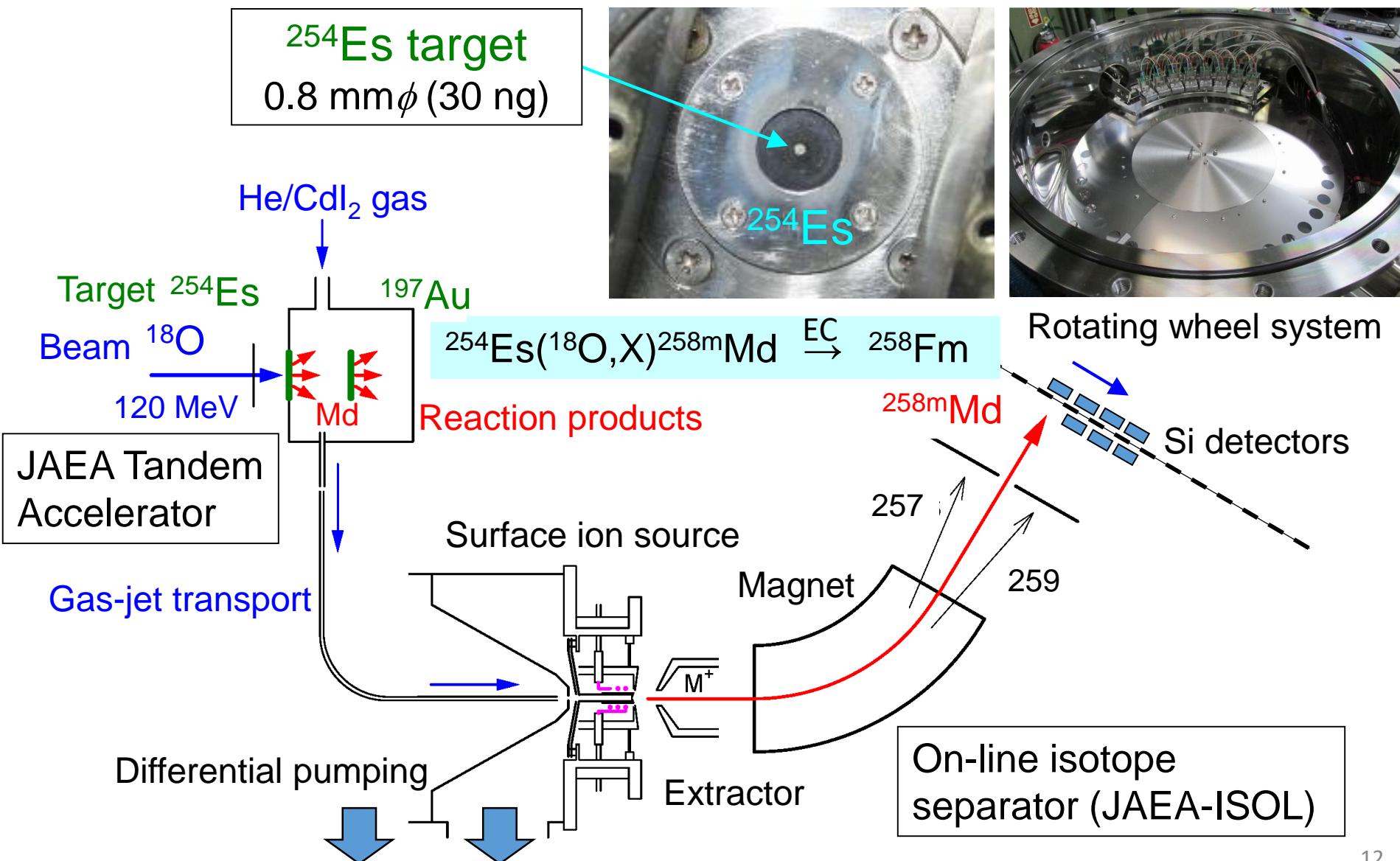


${}^{254}\text{Es}$  0.011 µg, 1.2 mm $\phi$   
 (0.88 µg/cm $^2$ , 750 kBq)  
 on Ni backing (270 µg/cm $^2$ )



- $E({}^4\text{He}) = 22.6 \text{ & } 25.7 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\rightarrow E^*({}^{258}\text{Md}) = 15 \text{ & } 18 \text{ MeV}$
- 4MWPCs & 2MCPs (2 $\nu$ -method)

# Spontaneous fission measurements using $^{254}\text{Es}$ target



# Summary

- $^{254}\text{Es}$  target was obtained in 2017 (for the first time in Japan)
- Fission experiments for  $^{258}\text{Md}^*$  and SF of  $^{256,258}\text{Fm}$ ,  $^{259}\text{Lr}$
- TKE and fragment mass distributions were measured
- aEF and sCF are dominant for  $^{256,258}\text{Fm}$
- sEF are found in  $^{259}\text{Lr}$  and  $^{258}\text{Md}^*$

## Future plans

- We will get a new Es material this year (2019.10)
- SF of  $^{258}\text{Fm}$  will be remeasured with very high statistics
- SF of  $^{259}\text{Md}$  and  $^{261}\text{Lr}$  will be measured
- In-beam fission studies with multinucleon transfer reactions
- In-beam  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy using an  $^{254}\text{Es}$  target