

**Where is the companion  
of the 391 keV  $\gamma$ -ray in the measured  
 $^{61}\text{Fe}$   $\gamma$ -ray spectrum?**

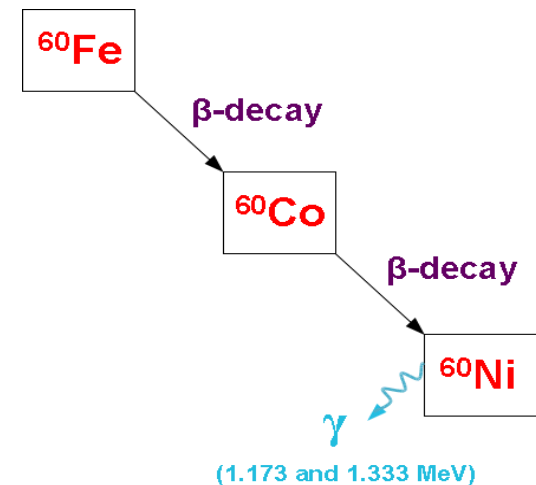
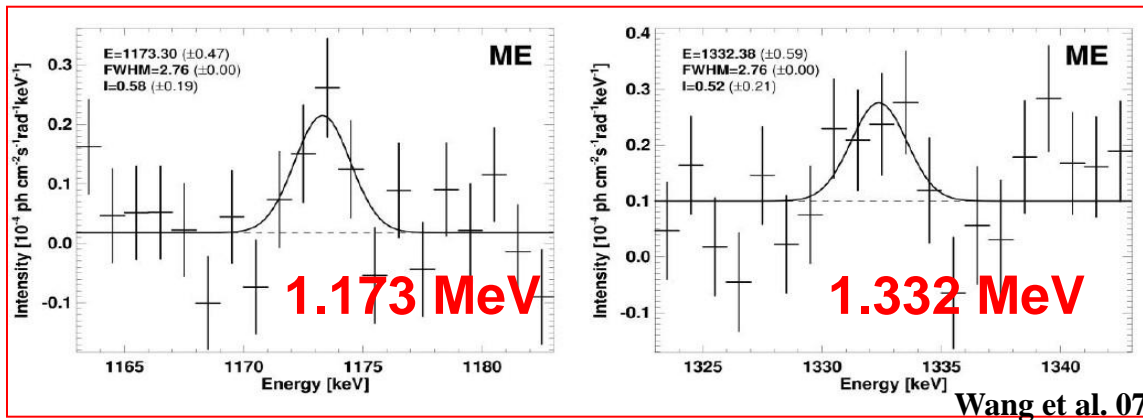
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# Astrophysical motivation



Detection of  $^{60}\text{Fe}$  by RHESSI (2004) & INTEGRAL (2006)

$^{60}\text{Fe}$  ( $T_{1/2}=2.6 \cdot 10^6$  yr)



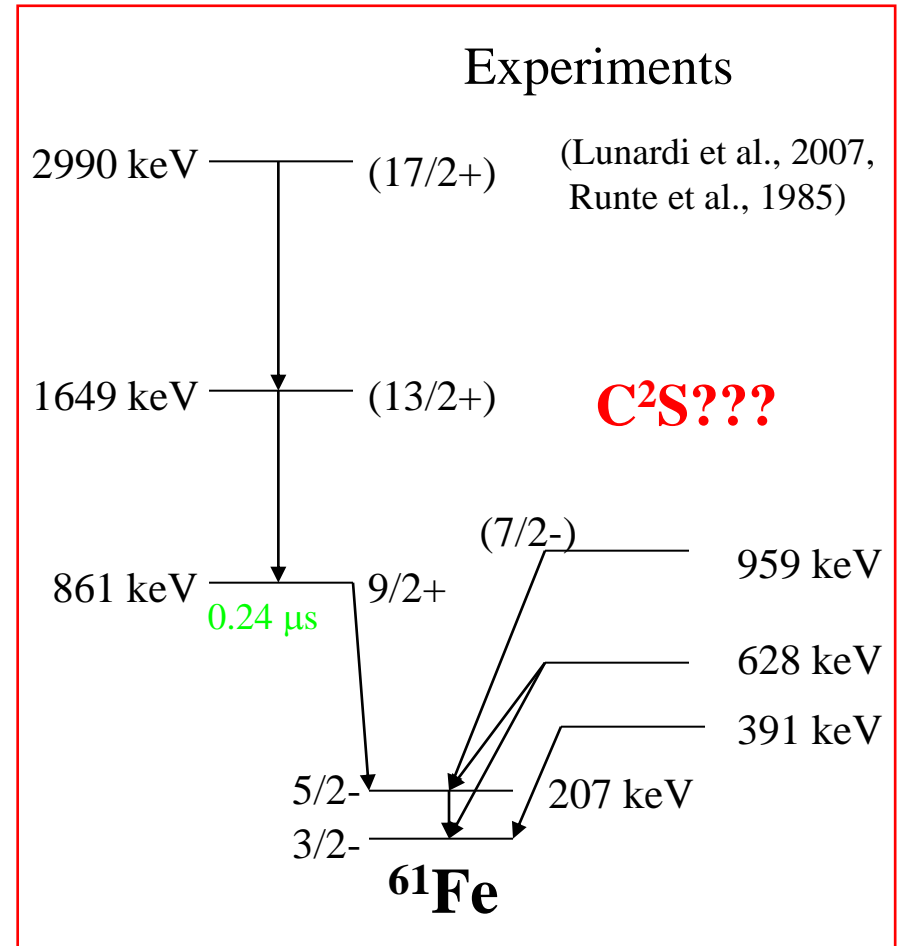
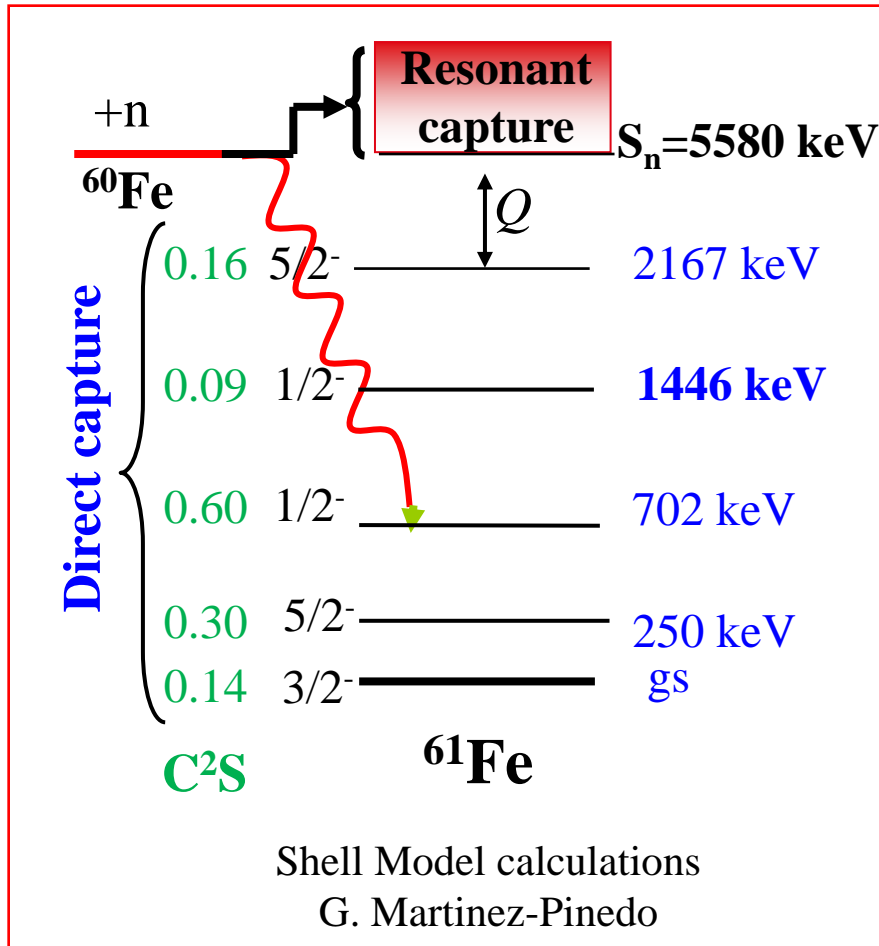
$^{60}\text{Fe}$  mainly produced in massive stars  
& released in ISM by subsequent  
core-collapse supernovae type II

➔ tests stellar model and SN rate

Production of  $^{60}\text{Fe}$  in core-collapse supernovae type II depends strongly on the uncertain  $^{59}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)^{60}\text{Fe}$  &  $^{60}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)^{61}\text{Fe}$  cross sections

# $^{60}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)^{61}\text{Fe}$ status in 2005-2009

Reaction rate: HF calculations (**resonant capture**) + shell-model (**direct capture**)



Direct  $\sigma_{^{60}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)^{61}\text{Fe}} \rightarrow E_x, l$  & C<sup>2</sup>S of  $^{61}\text{Fe} \rightarrow (d,p)$  transfer reaction

Note: Recent  $^{60}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)^{61}\text{Fe}$  activation measurement (Uberseder et al, 2009)

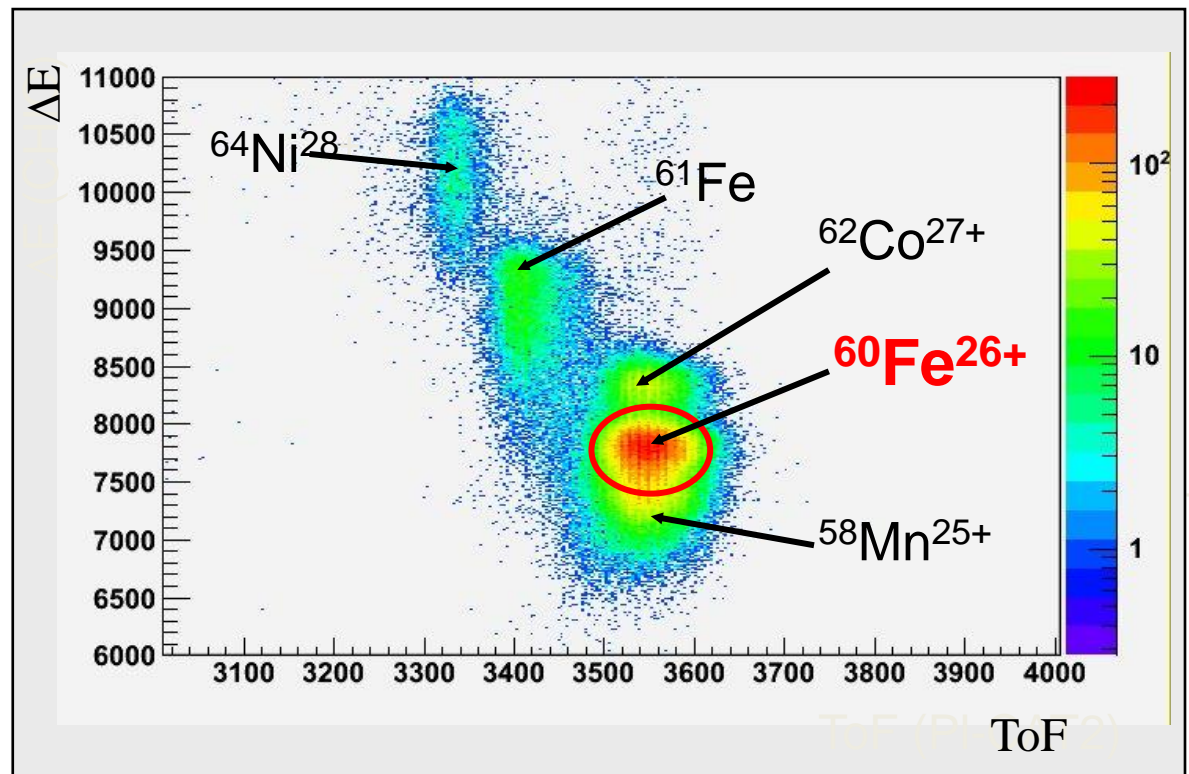
# $d(^{60}\text{Fe}, p\gamma)^{61}\text{Fe}$ experiment @ LISE/GANIL

- Fragmentation of  $^{64}\text{Ni}^{28+}$  (500 enA) @ 55 A MeV  
on  $^9\text{Be}$  LISE target (500  $\mu\text{m}$ ) +  $^9\text{Be}$  wedge degrader (568  $\mu\text{m}$ )



$^{60}\text{Fe}$  secondary beam

- 27 A.MeV
- $\sim 10^5$  pps  $I_{^{60}\text{Fe}}$
- $\sim 60\%$  purity

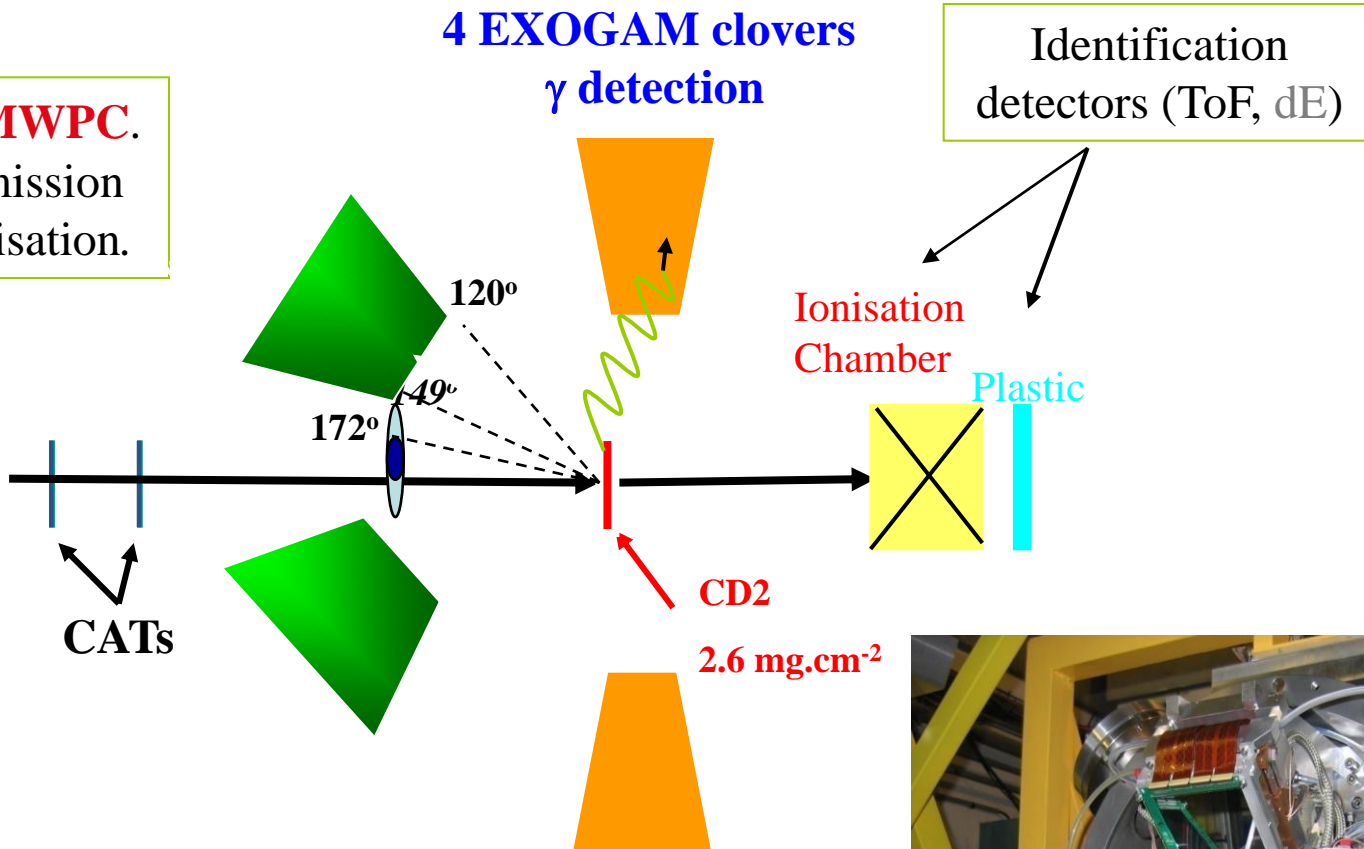


# Experimental Setup

**CATS: - MWPC.**

-Proton emission  
point localisation.

$^{60}\text{Fe}$   
@ 27A.MeV  
 $10^5$  pps  
GANIL/LISE

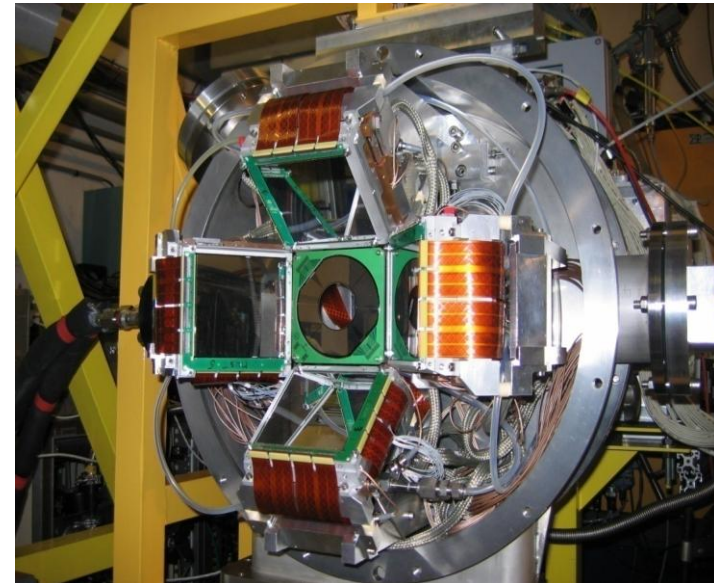


**MUST2: Si Strip (300 $\mu\text{m}$ )**

+ **SiLi (4.5 mm)** detectors.

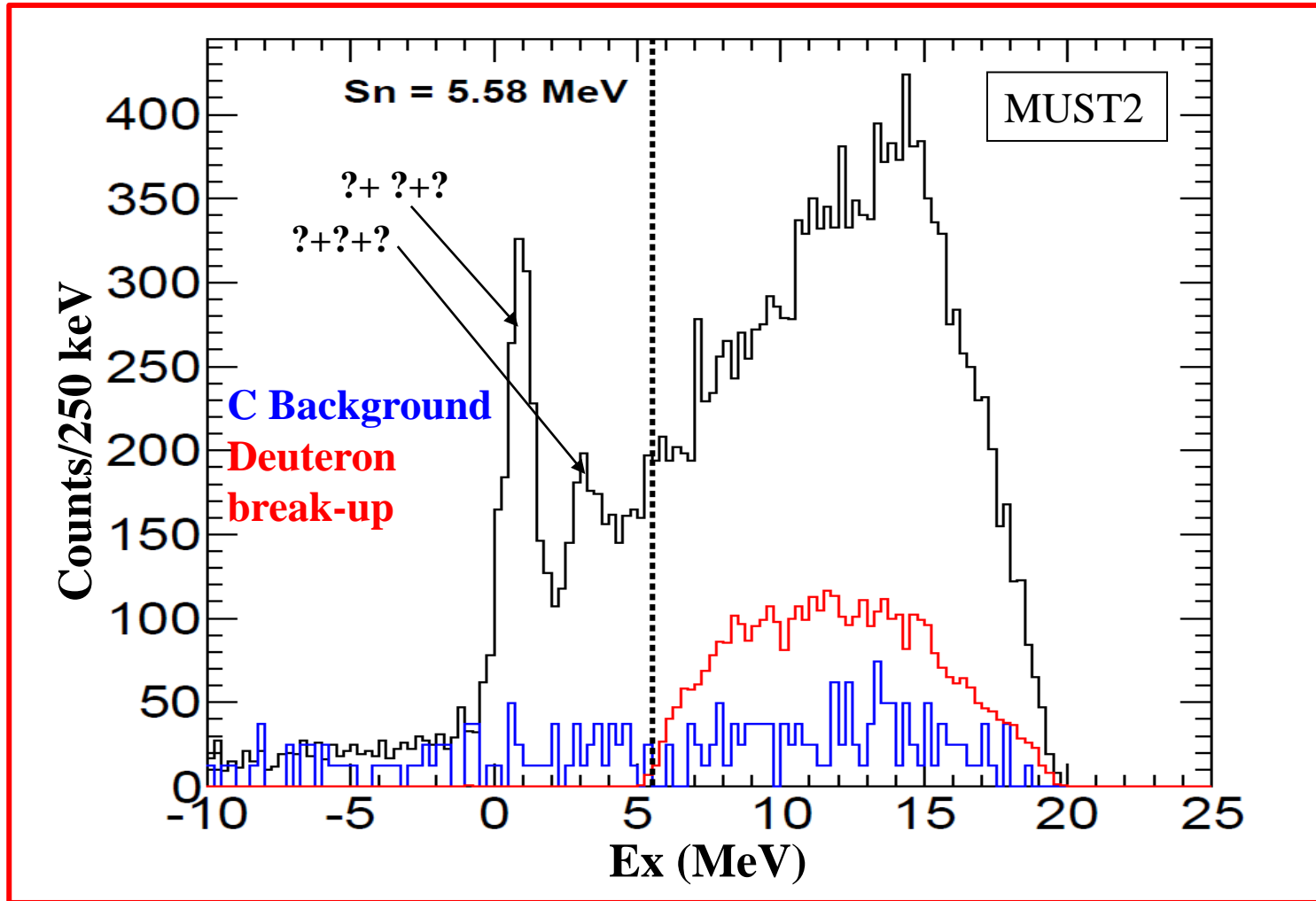
- Proton **impact localisation.**
- Proton **energy** measurement

**S1:** Annular Si (500  $\mu\text{m}$ , 64 strips in  $\Theta$  and 16 in  $\Phi$ )



# $^{61}\text{Fe}$ Excitation energy spectrum

S. Giron PhD thesis

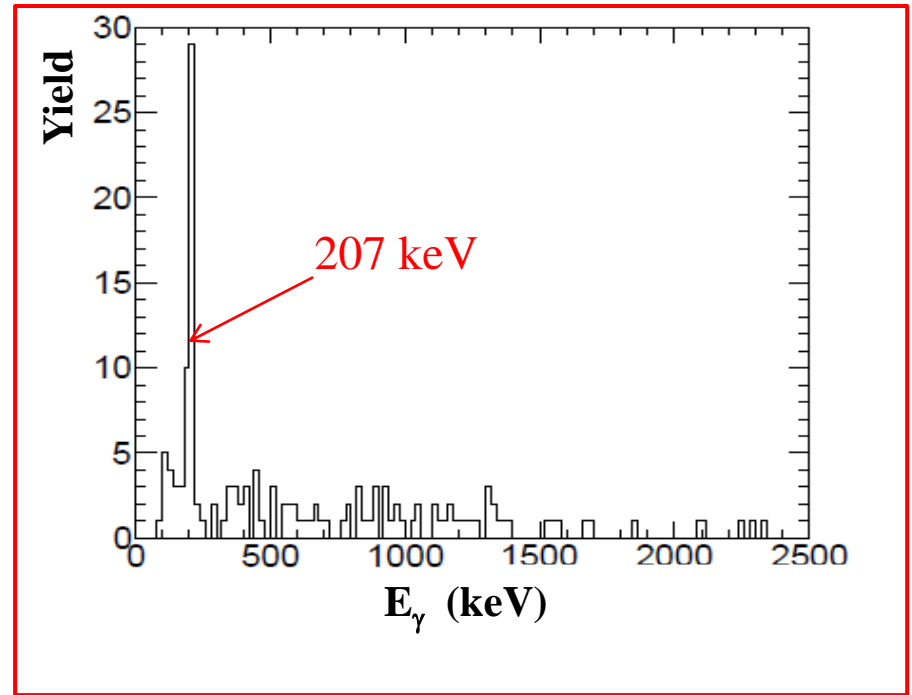
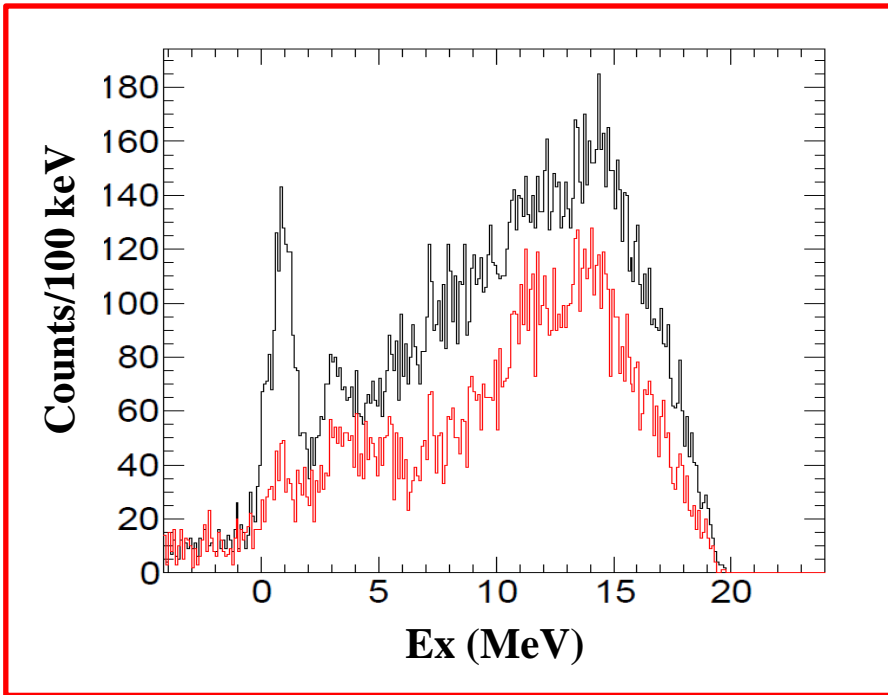


➤ Width of the peaks  $> 800$  keV (expected energy resolution)  $\rightarrow$  population of 2-3 states  
 $\Rightarrow$  need to analyze the  $\gamma$ -ray spectra  $\rightarrow$  disentangle the  $\neq$  populated states ?

# $^{61}\text{Fe}$ Excitation energy spectrum & $\gamma$ -ray spectrum

— No  $\gamma$  coincidence  
— With  $\gamma$  coincidence

$0 < E_x < 500 \text{ keV}$

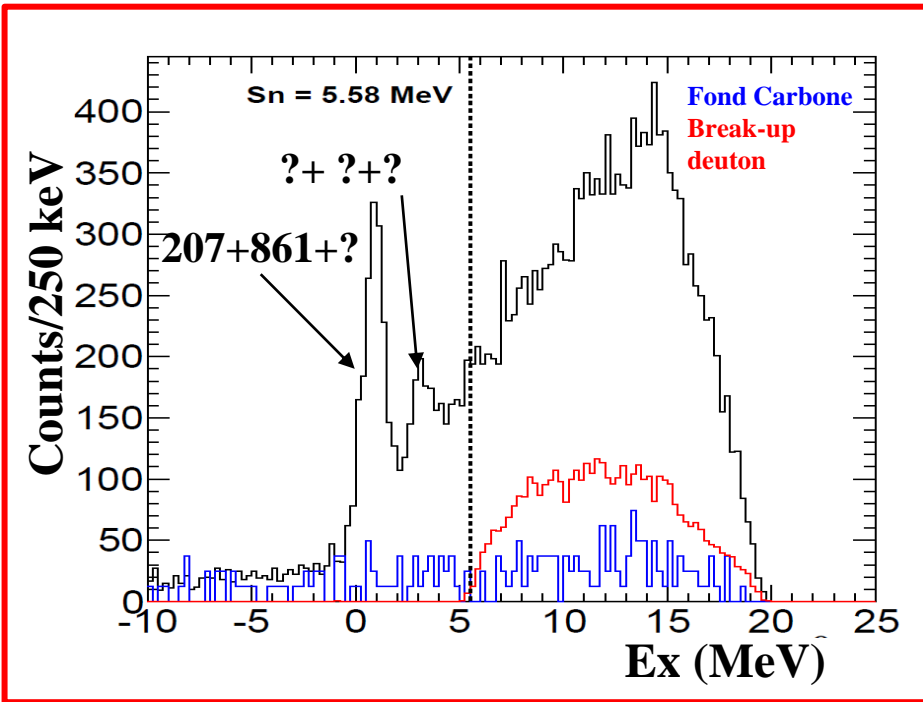


Population of the isomeric state  
@ **861 keV**



Population of **207 keV** state

# First analysis (S. Giron PhD thesis-2011)

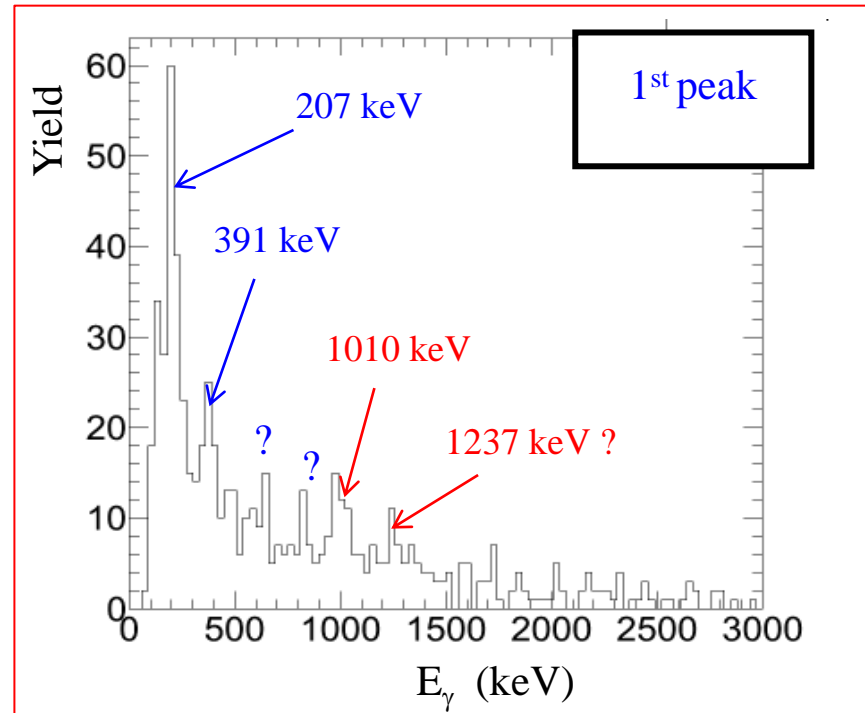


Peak widths > expected energy resolution

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population of various states (2,3 or 4?)

↓  
γ spectra analysis

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Discrimination of ≠ populated states ?



Identification of **207, 861 & 1401 keV** states  
of <sup>61</sup>Fe in the 1<sup>st</sup> peak

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dσ/dΩ + DWBA

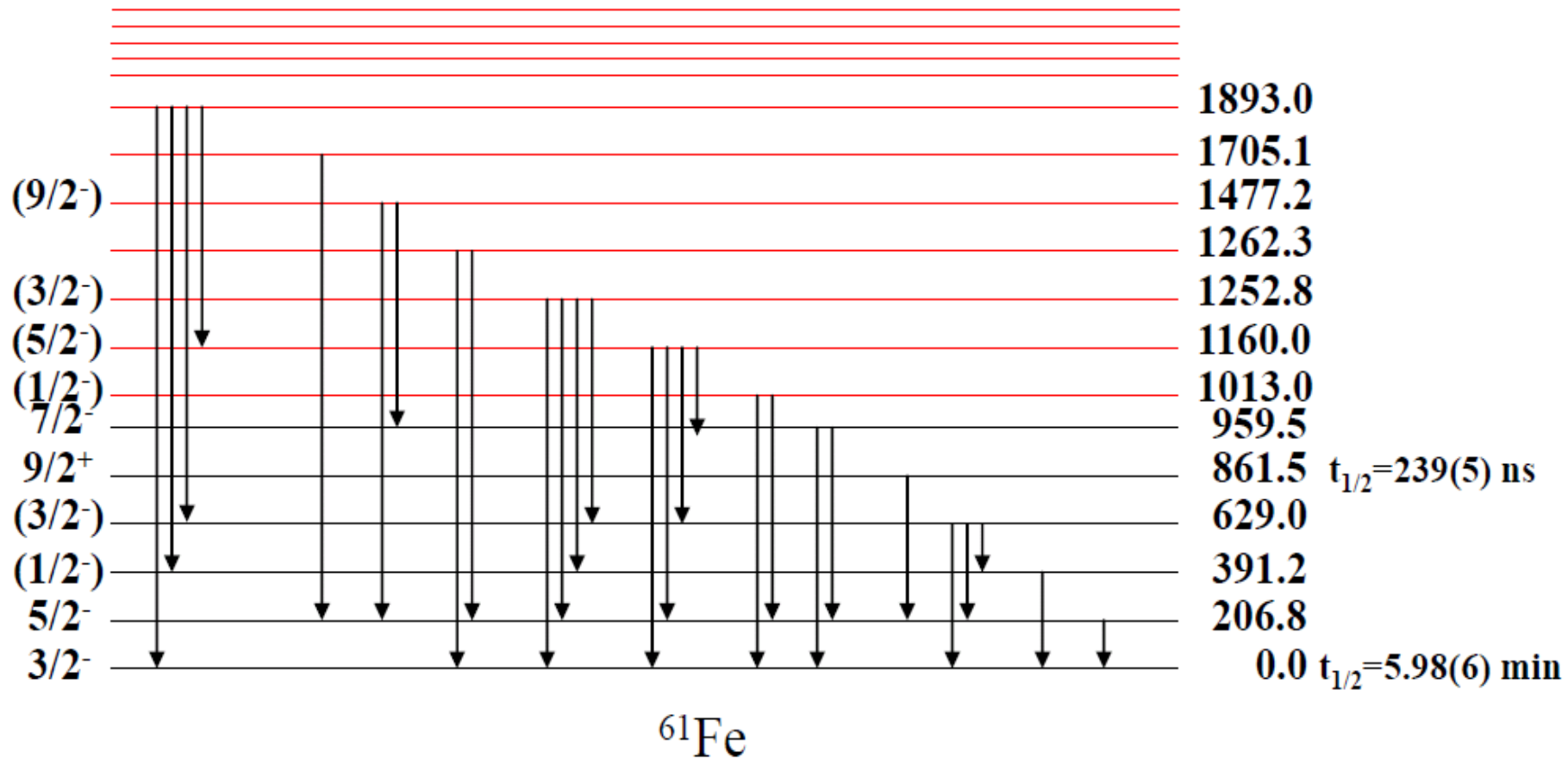
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S<sub>n</sub> & L

↓  
New state: 1401 keV (L=1)



# Recent measurements of $^{61}\text{Fe}$ level scheme

- Recent results of  $\beta$  decay measurements of  $^{61}\text{Mn}$  to  $^{61}\text{Fe}$  levels **Radulov et al. PRC88, 014307 (2013)**



- The observed  $\gamma$ -ray @  $\sim 1010$  keV  $\rightarrow$  decay of 1013 keV state to the gs of  $^{61}\text{Fe}$
- Observation of many **new states**

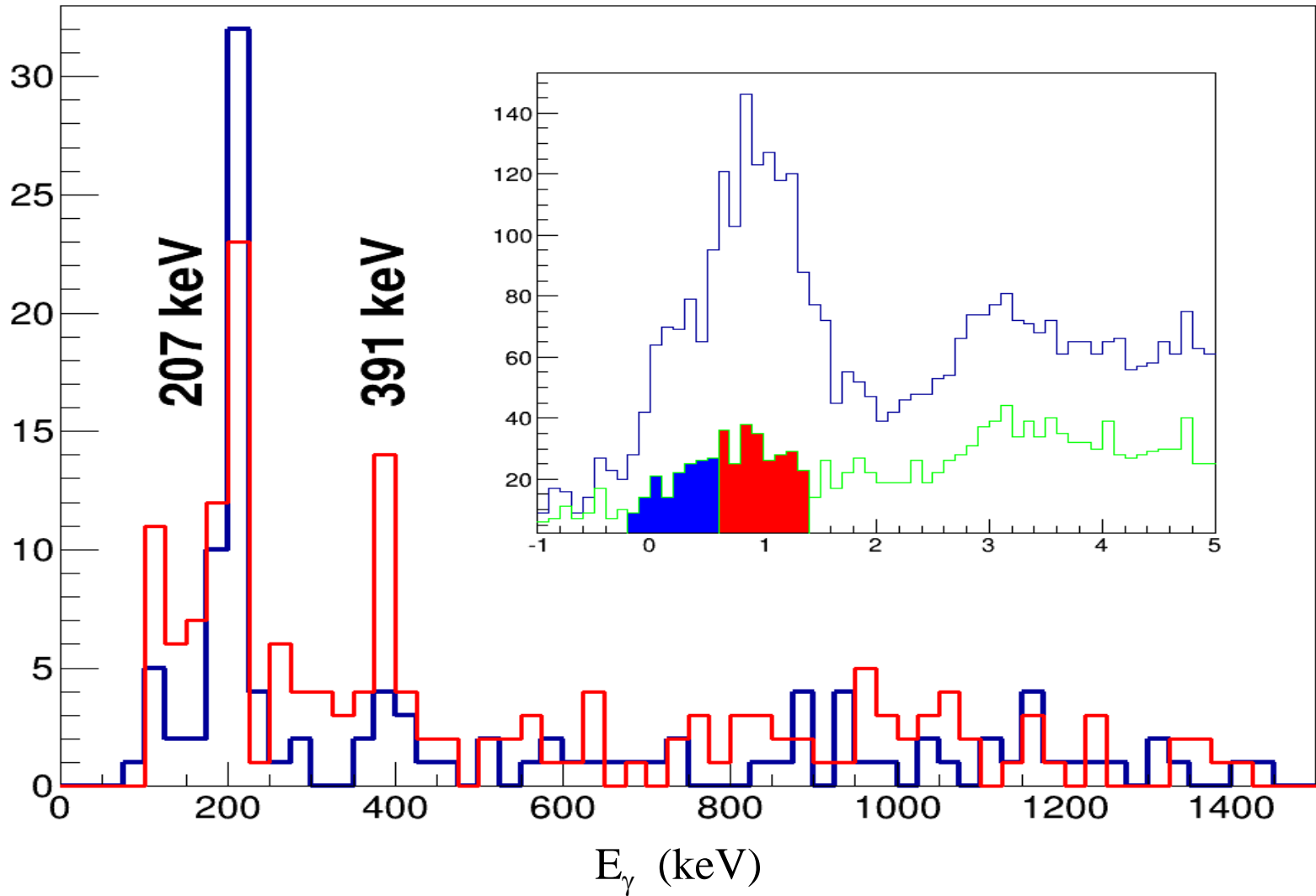
# $^{60}\text{Fe}(\text{d,p}\gamma)$ $^{61}\text{Fe}$ data reanalysis

Many tests were done to improve the spectra, reduce the background and constrain the results:

- Check of the various codes
- Application of **various cuts** to **”select”** the **”good”** events :
  - on CATS
  - on the particle angles
  - on  $\gamma$ -ray and particle detectors and even on Ge segments
  - on time
  - on runs
  - on events number
  - ...

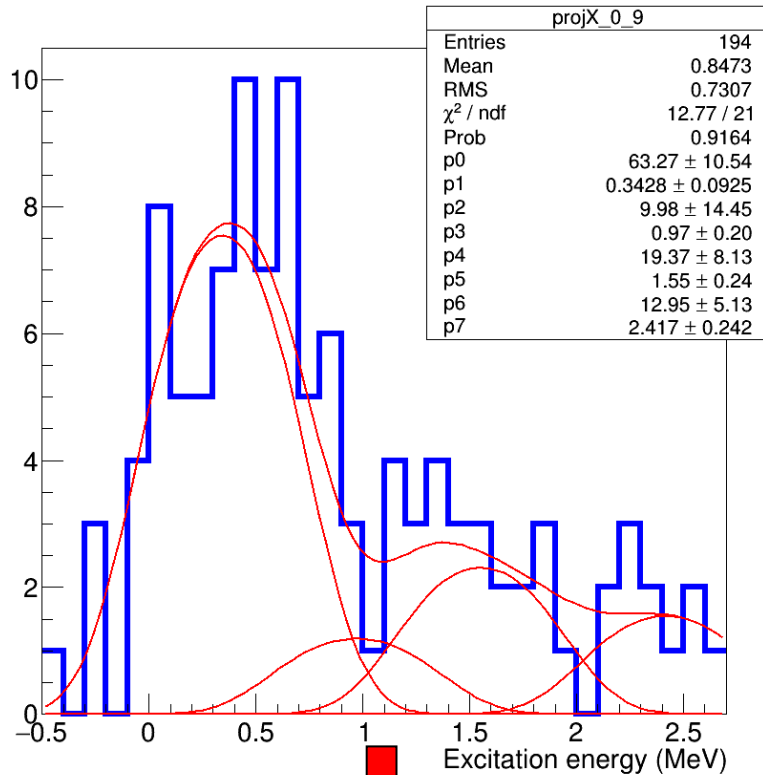
→ An improvement is “maybe” observed but **significant decrease** on **statistics**

# $^{61}\text{Fe}$ $\gamma$ -ray energy spectrum with gates on Ex



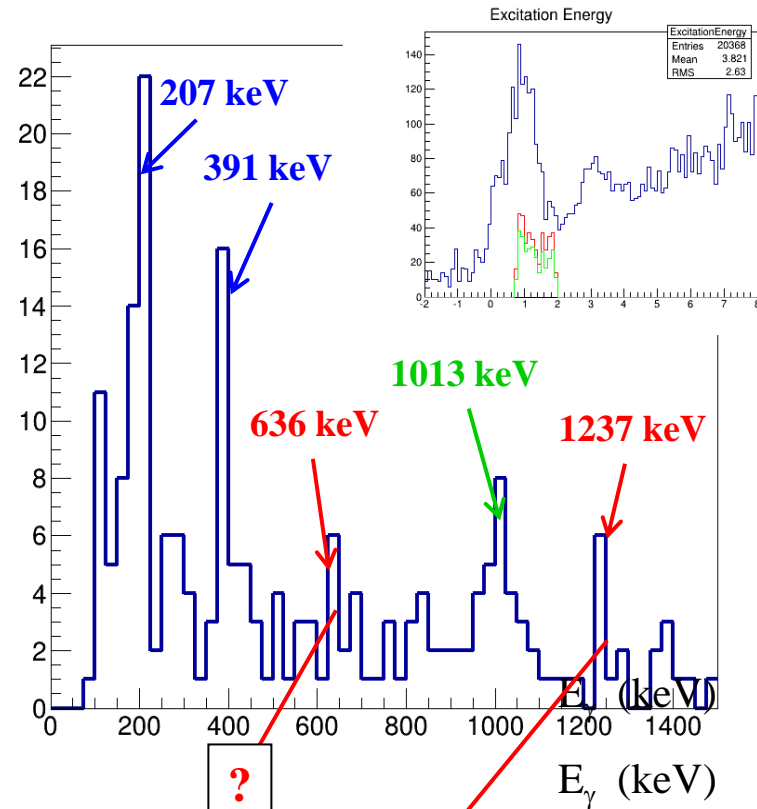
# $^{61}\text{Fe}$ spectrum: $E_x$ with gate on $E_\gamma$ & $E_\gamma$ with gate on $E_x$

$^{61}\text{Fe}$   $E_x$  with gate on  $E_\gamma=207$  keV



- 207 keV  $\rightarrow$  shift = 136 keV
- “ $0.97 \pm 0.2$  keV”  $\rightarrow$   $E_x = 834$  keV  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma$  of  $\sim 627$  keV
- “ $1550$  keV  $\pm 240$ ”?  $\rightarrow$   $E_x = 1414$  keV  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma$  of  $\sim 1207$  keV

$^{61}\text{Fe}$   $E_\gamma$  with gate on  $E_x$ : [0.750-1.950 MeV]



Population of  
 $E_x = 843$  keV ?  
 $E_x = 1444$  keV ?

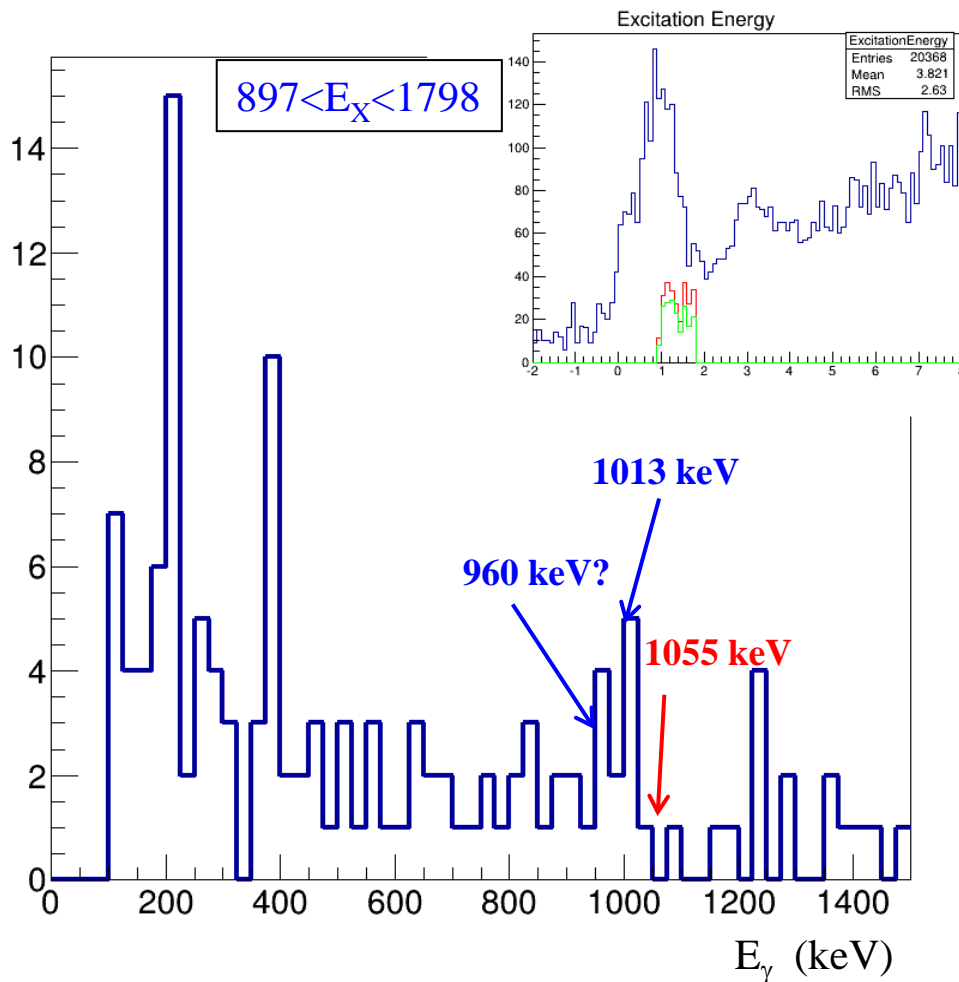
# $^{61}\text{Fe}$ $E_\gamma$ spectrum with gate on $E_x$ around 1260 keV

- Population of 1262 keV or 1252 keV of Radulov et al. ?

→ 1262 keV →  $\gamma$ -rays: 207 keV + 1055 keV

→ 1252 keV →  $\gamma$ -rays: 207 keV + 1045 keV

→ **No**



- Population of 1160 keV?

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207 keV + 952 keV

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**Maybe**

- Population of 1477 keV?

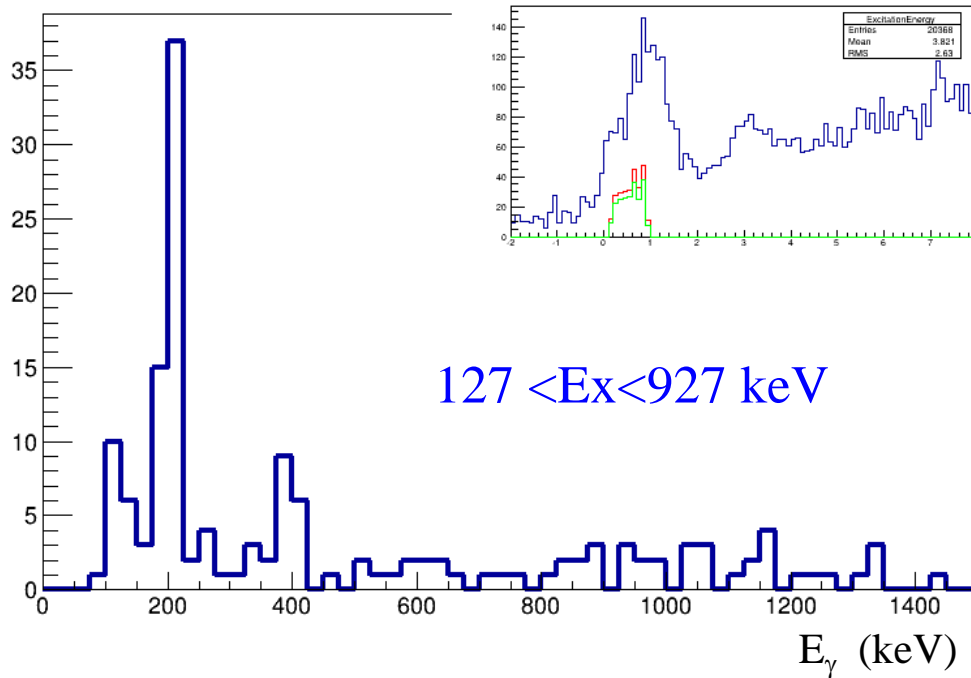
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207 keV + 1277 keV

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**No**

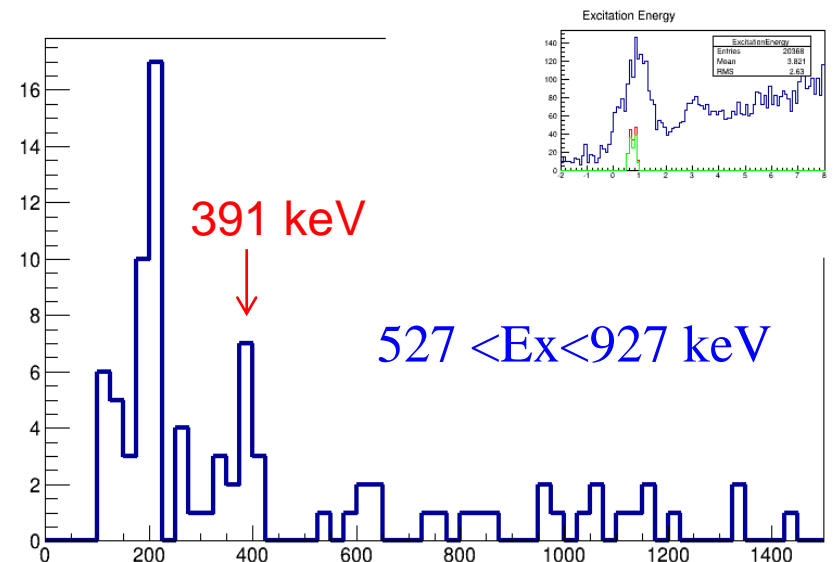
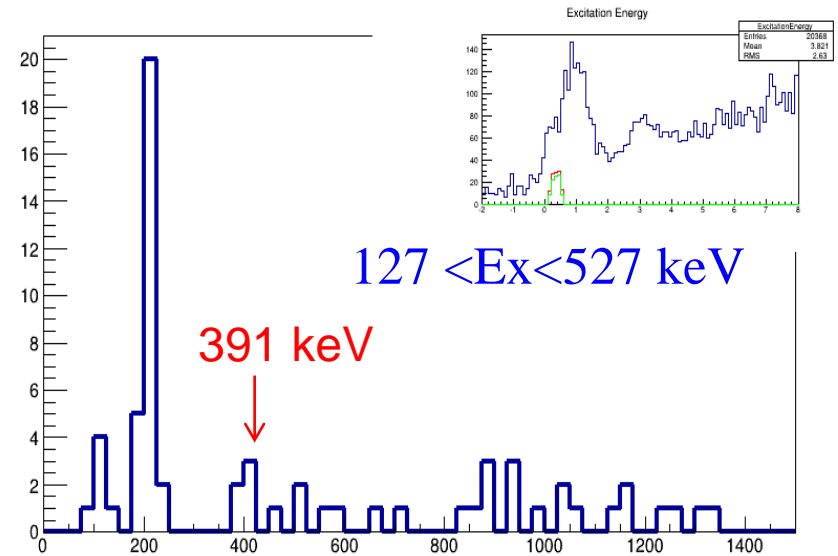
# What about the 391keV $\gamma$ -ray transition?

- Does it come from a direct population of the 391 keV state?

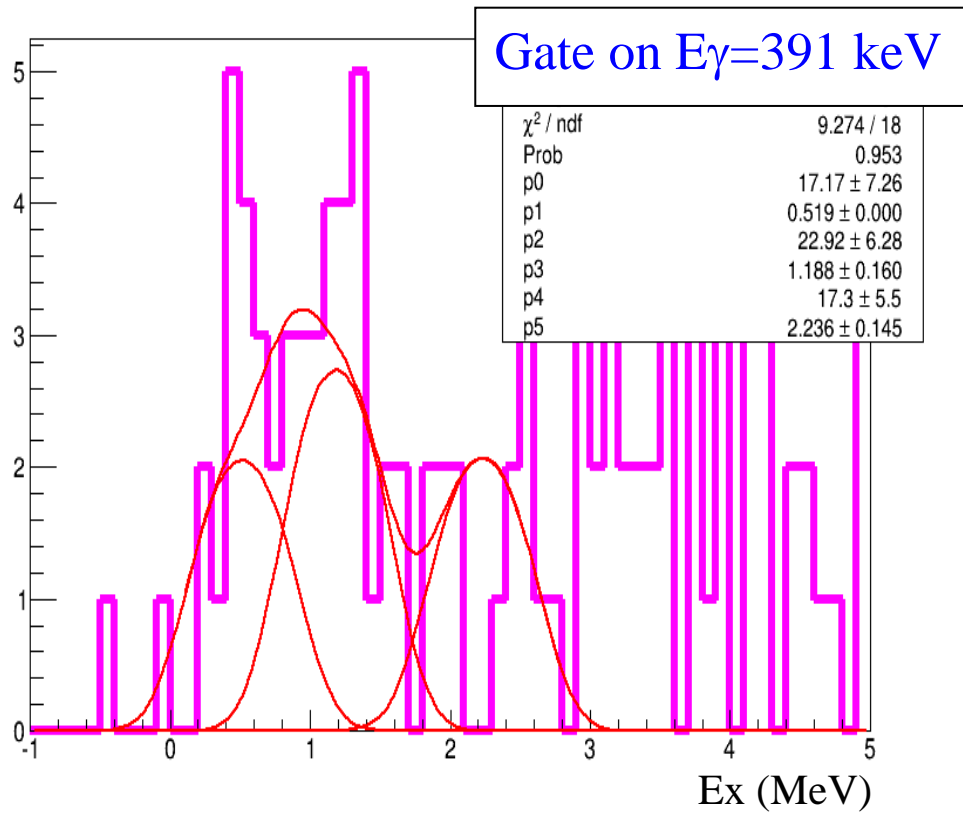
With shift=136 keV



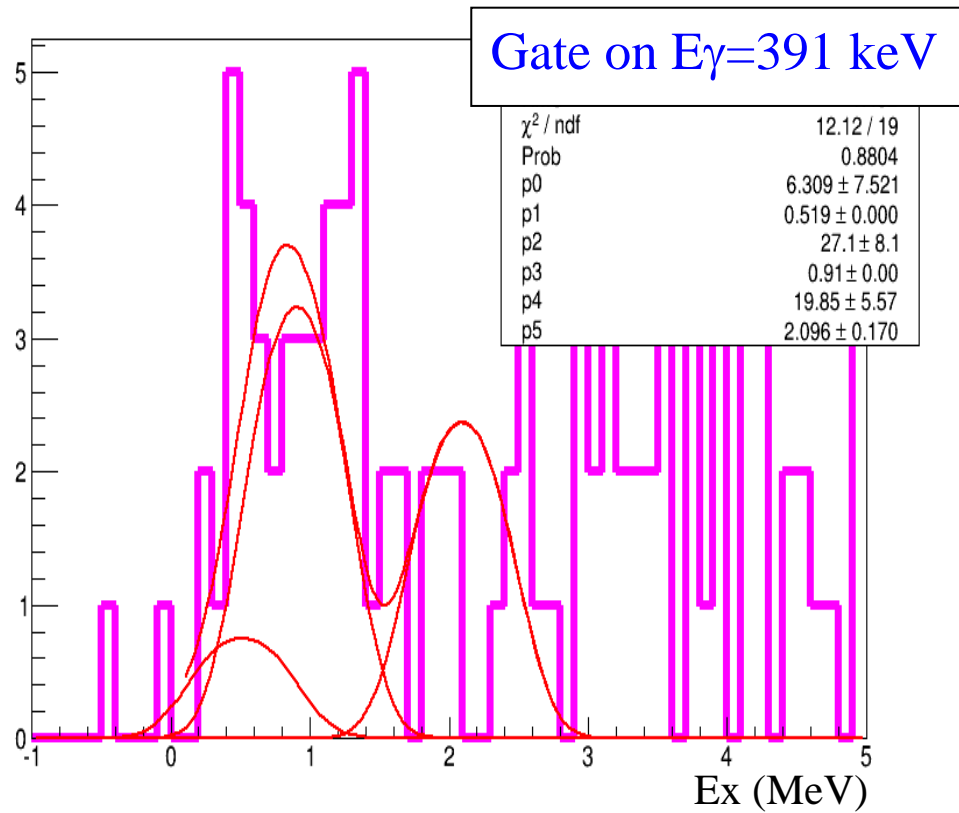
→ Very weak population of 391 keV



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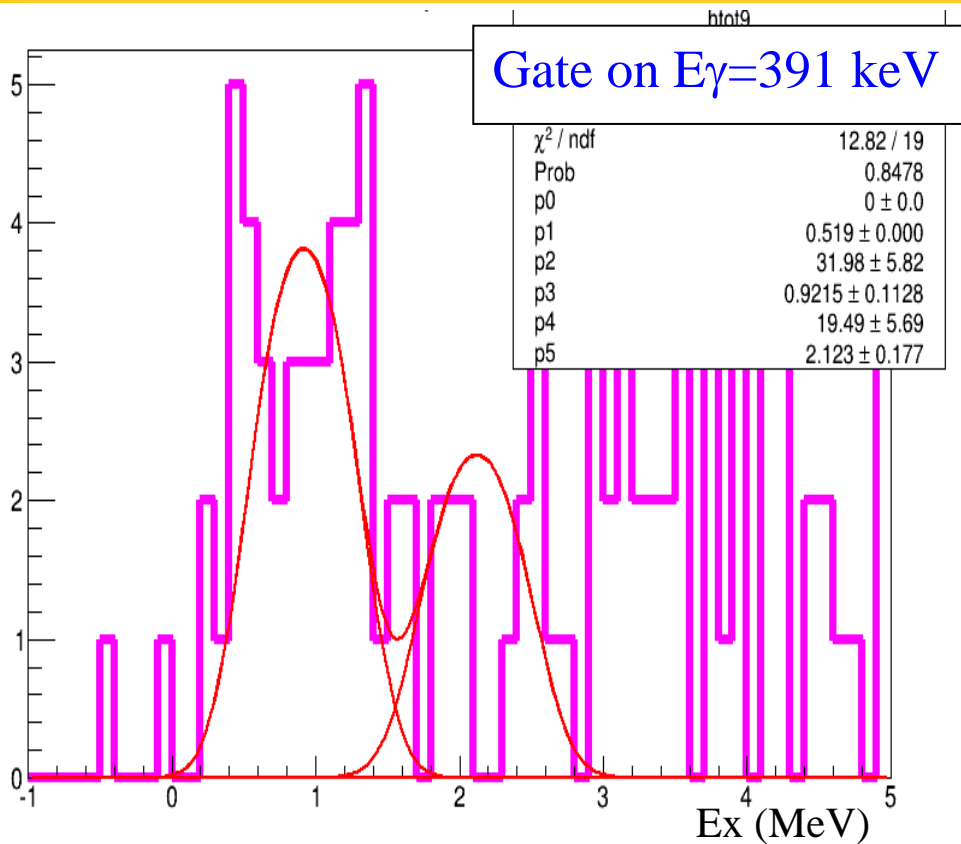


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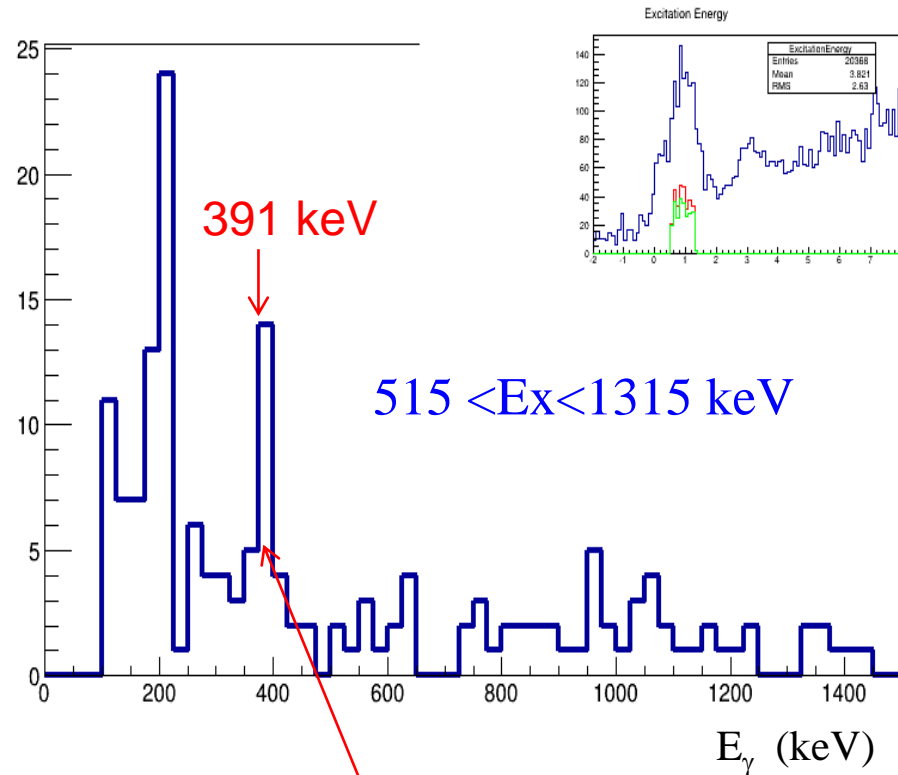
• Very weak or no population of 391 keV

• Population of a “ $\sim 915 \pm 110$  keV”

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Ex = **779 keV**

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cascade through the **391 keV**  $\rightarrow$   $E_\gamma \sim 388$  keV

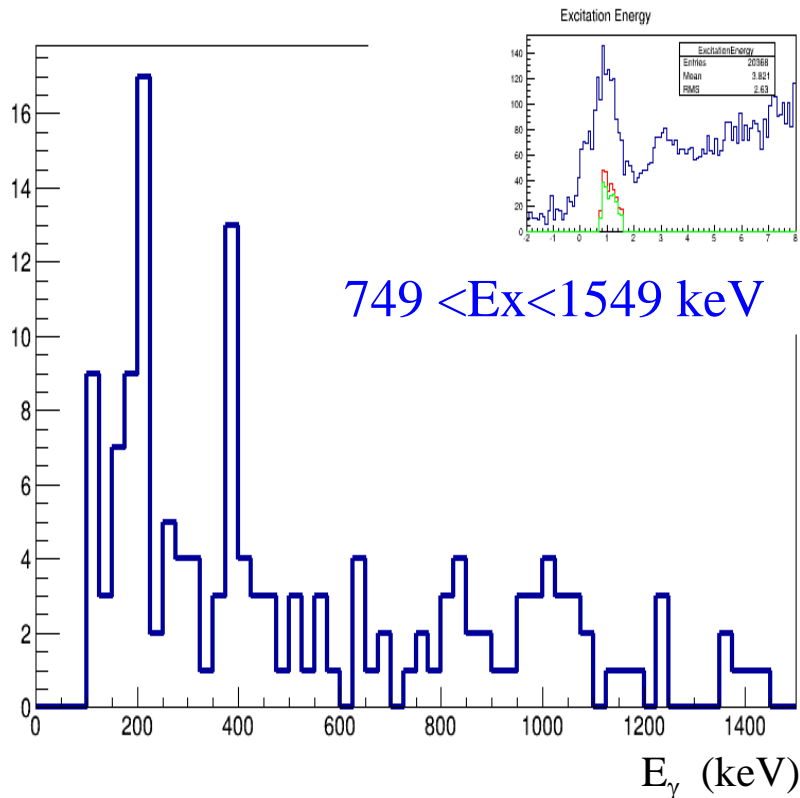


2  $\gamma$ -rays : 391 keV +  $\sim 388$  keV ?

# What about the observed 1013keV $\gamma$ -ray transition?

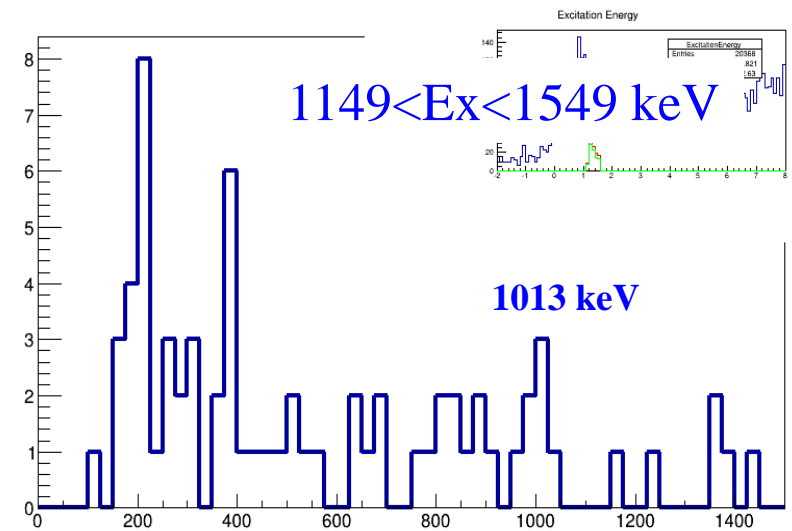
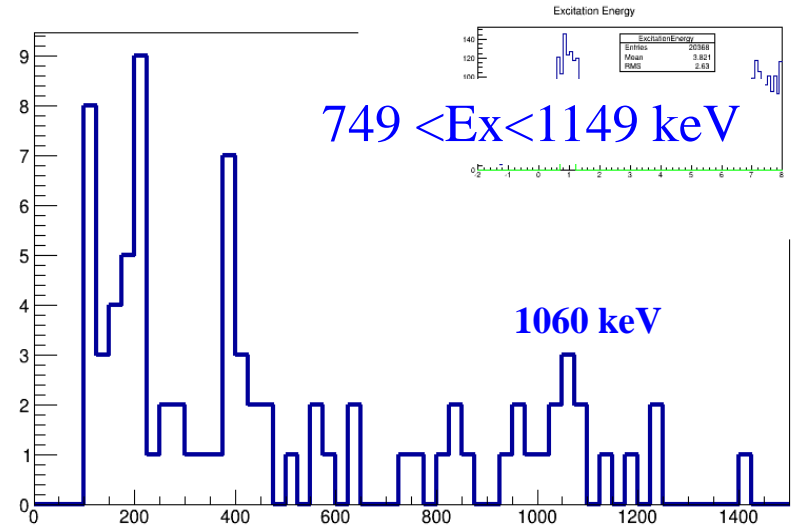
- Does it come from a direct population of the 1013 keV state?

With shift=136 keV



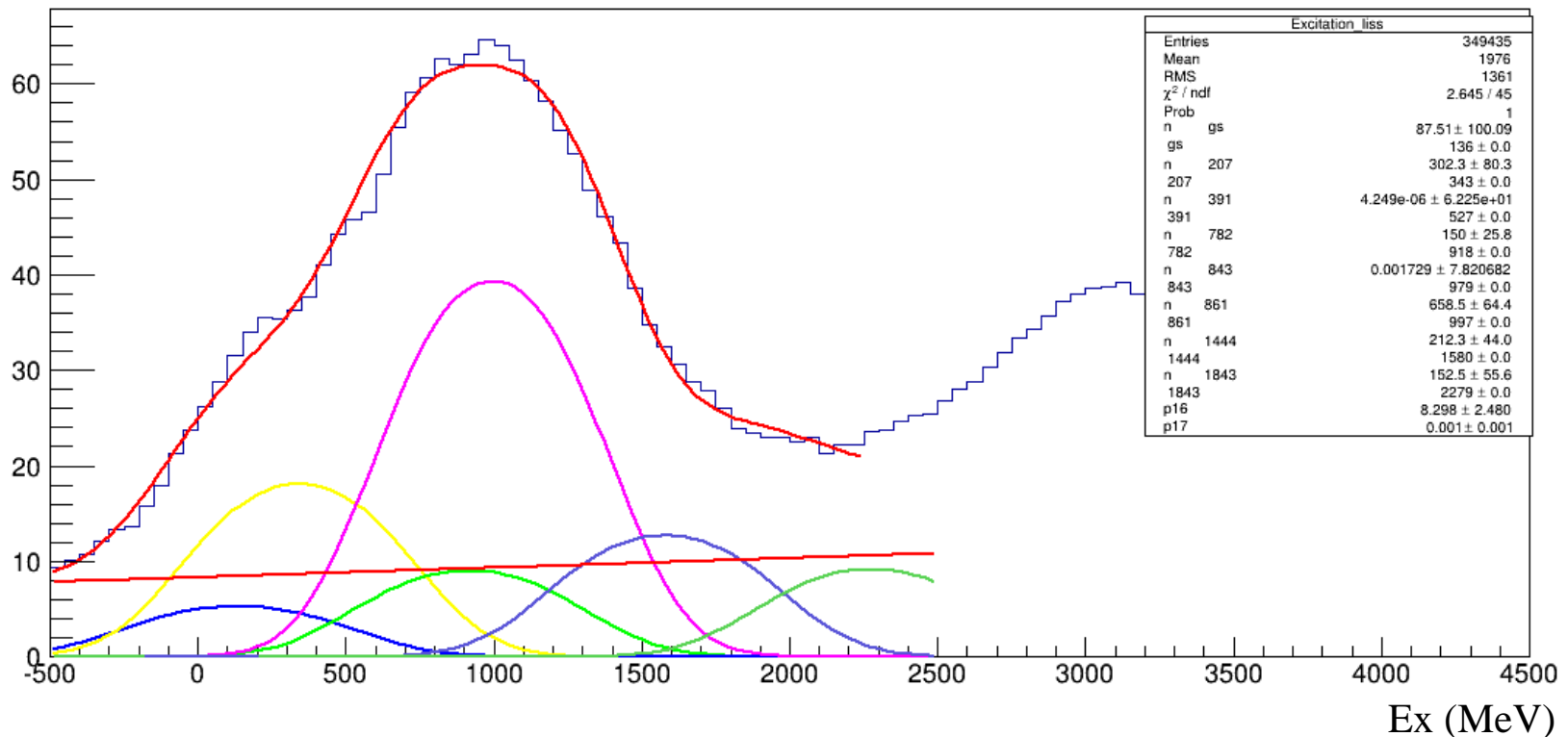
→ No direct population  
of 1013 keV

→ Populated via a cascade from higher Ex



# Results

- Well identified & populated states : 207 keV,  $J^\pi=5/2^-$ , 861 keV,  $J^\pi=9/2^+$
- Weakly populated states: gs, 391 keV,  $J^\pi=(1/2^-)$ , 1160 keV,  $J^\pi=(5/2^-)$  (Radulov et al.)
- Assumed states , weakly populated & not observed by Radulov et al. :  
 “~1444 keV”, “~779 keV”, “~843 keV (very weakly)”



Next: → Extraction of 861 keV  $d\sigma/d\Omega \Rightarrow$  Sn (DWBA)  
 → Extraction of 207+gs  $d\sigma/d\Omega$  & Sn ?

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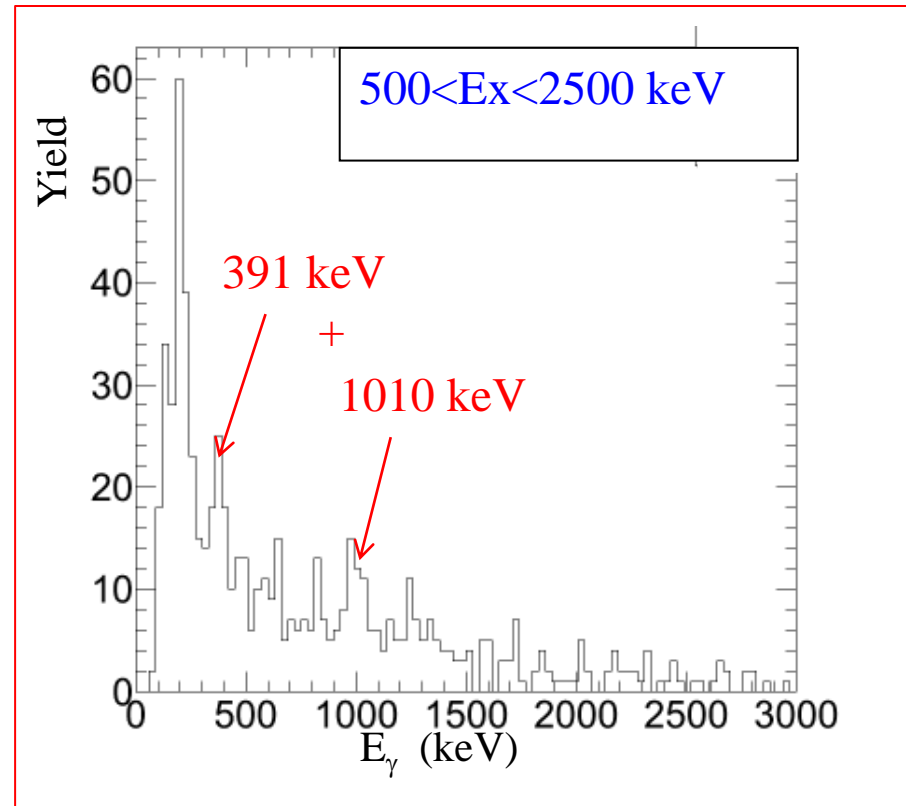
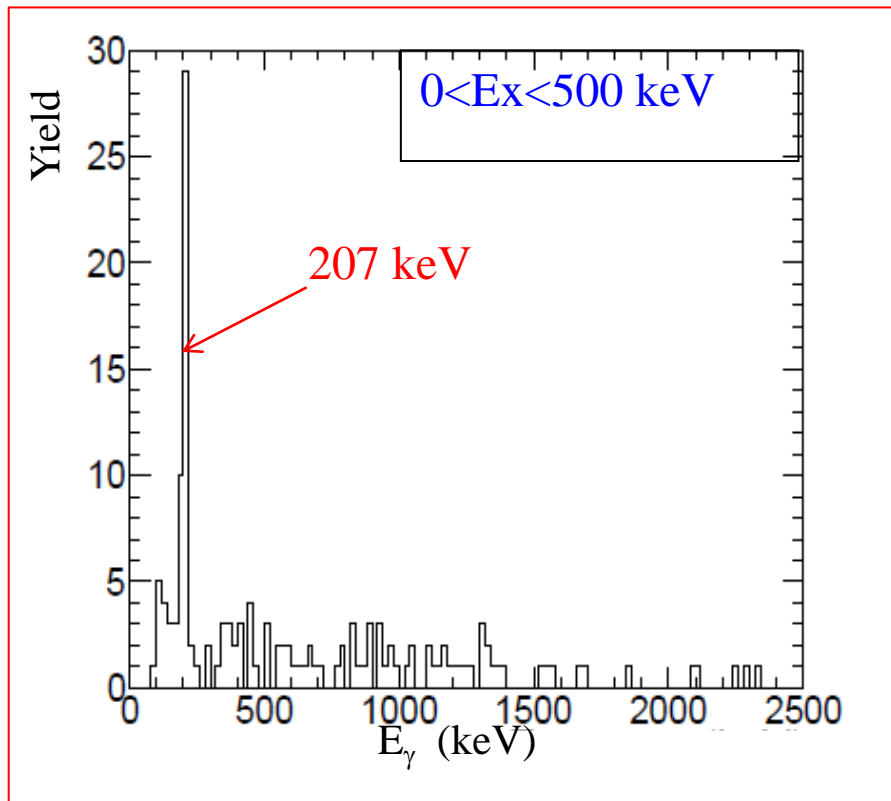
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# $\gamma$ -ray spectra

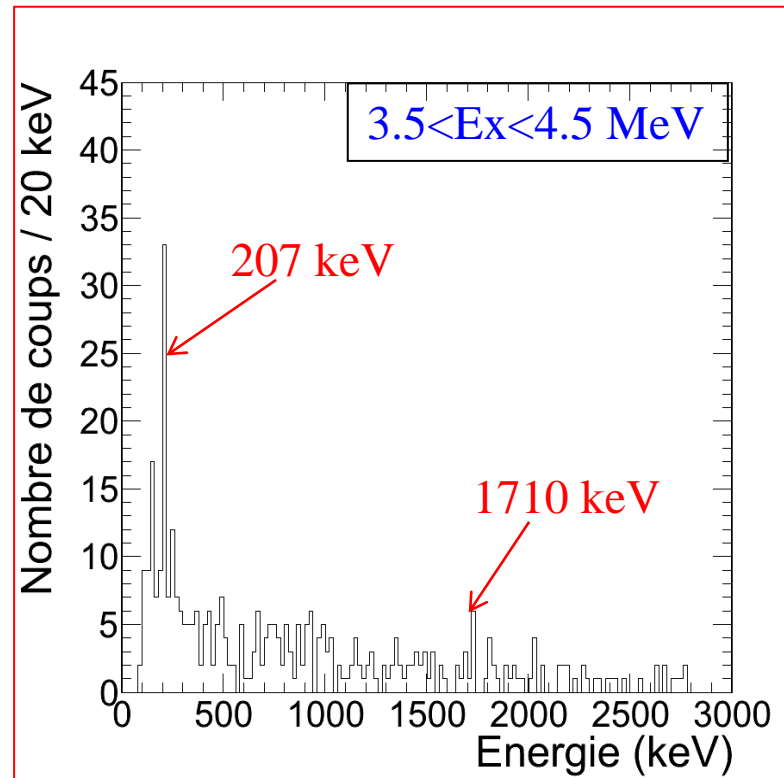
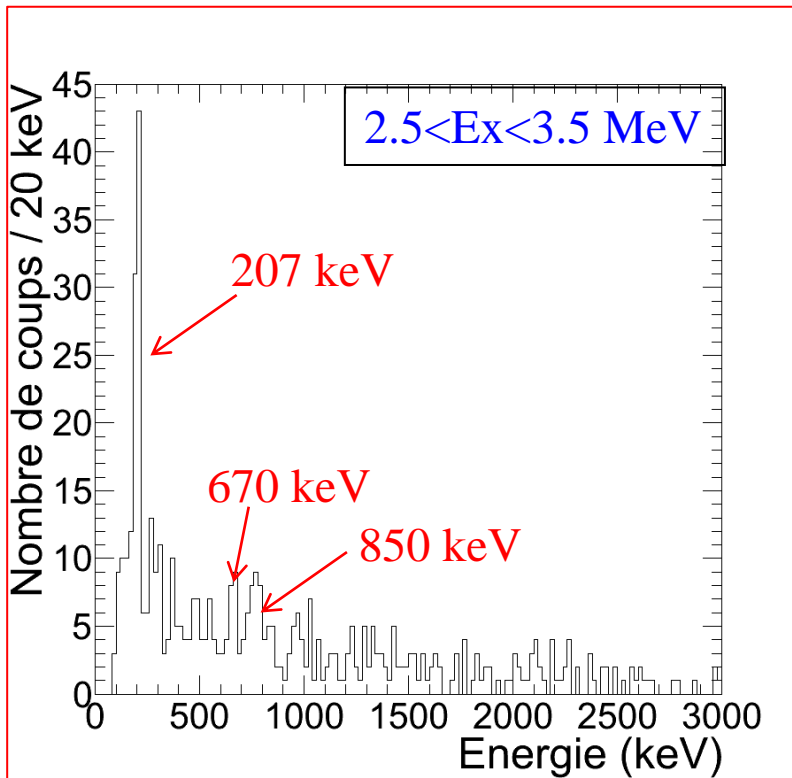
Discrimination of the  $\neq$  populated states of the 1<sup>st</sup> peak ( $0 < E_x < 2.5$  MeV)



➤ Identification of **207 & 1401 keV** states of  $^{61}\text{Fe}$  in the 1<sup>st</sup> peak

# $\gamma$ -ray spectra

Discrimination of the  $\neq$  populated states of the 2<sup>nd</sup> peak ( $2.5 < E_x < 4.5$  MeV) ?



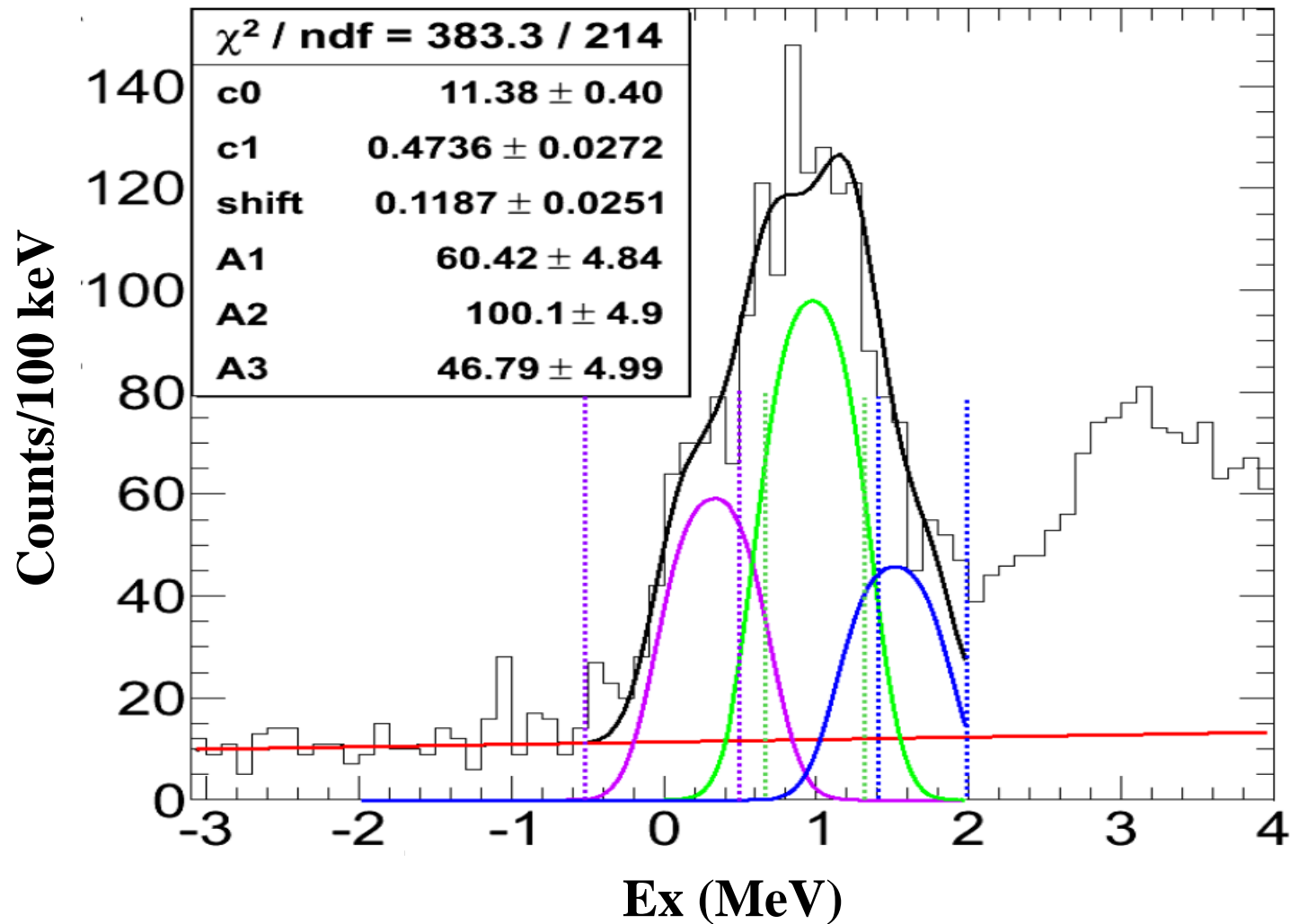
➤ Difficulties to identify the states in the 2<sup>nd</sup> peak ( $2.5 < E_x < 4.5$  MeV)

→ too many  $\gamma$ -ray transitions (**very low statistics**)

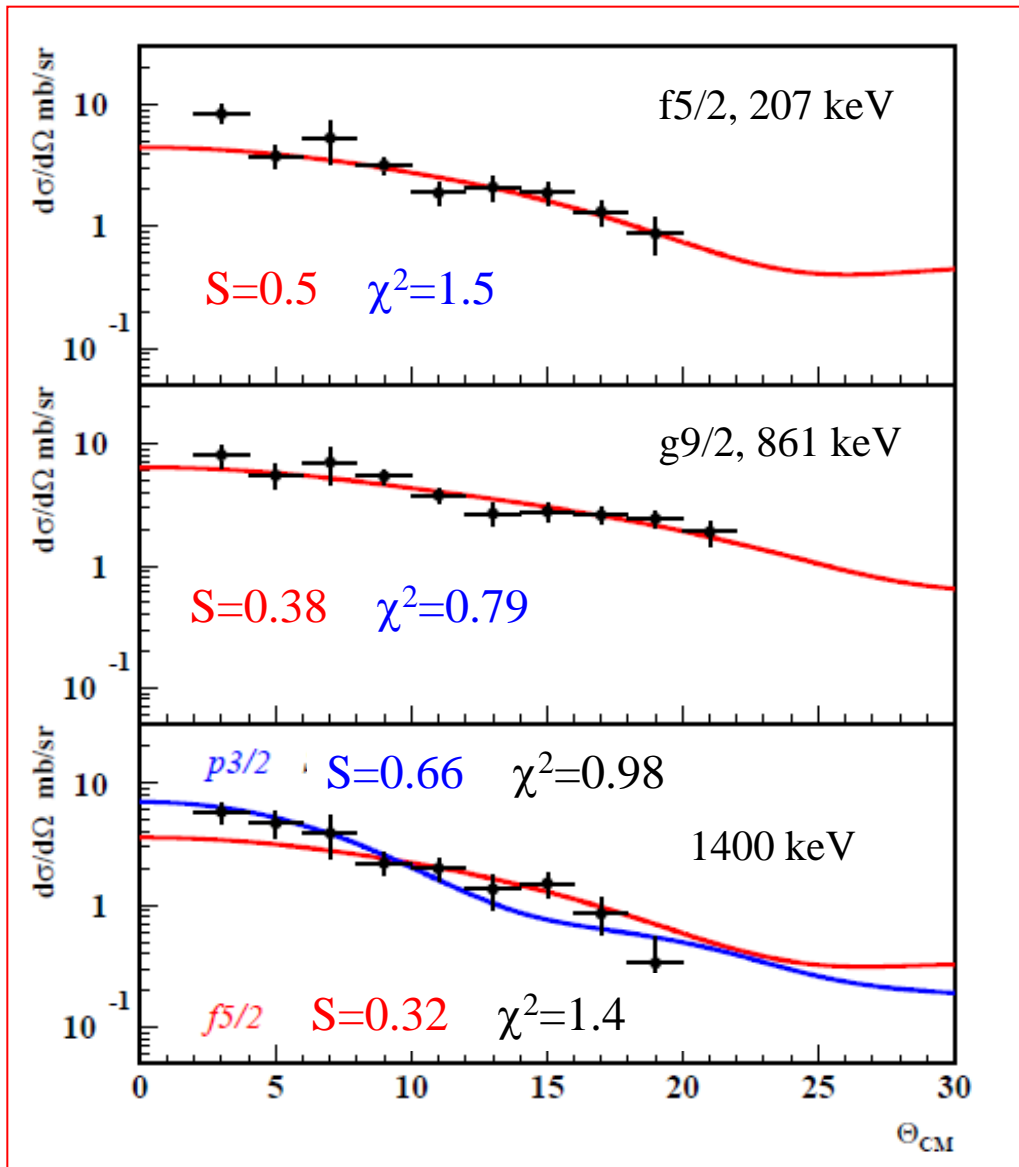
+ **missing  $\gamma$ -ray transitions @ high energies** → efficiency  $\searrow$

# Preliminary Results

→ Population of 207, 861 & 1401 keV states of  $^{61}\text{Fe}$  in the 1<sup>st</sup> peak



# Preliminary results: Measurements & DWBA calculations



→ DWBA calculation

- For the entrance channel:

→ Adiabatic approximation potential  
to take into account the  
deuteron breakup

G.L. Wales and R.C. Johnson (1976)

- For the exit channel:

→ Varner's et al. global nucleon  
optical model potential

Varner et al. (1991)

$S = 0.50 \pm 0.15$  ( $f_{5/2}$  207 keV)

$S = 0.38 \pm 0.11$  ( $g_{9/2}$  861 keV)

$S = 0.66 \pm 0.19$  ( $2p_{3/2}$  1401 keV)