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Chemical applications of β -detected NMR

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Chemical applications of β -NMR

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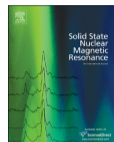
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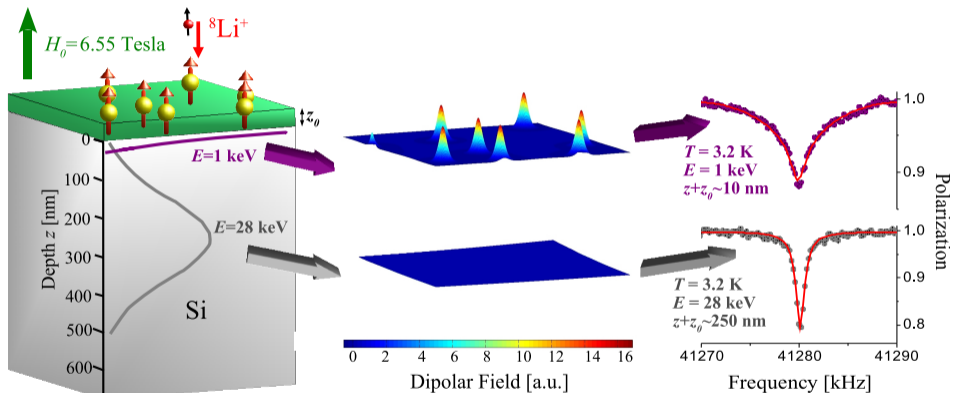
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A “nanoscience” example

^8Li β -NMR of a monolayer of Mn_{12} single molecule magnets



Z. Salman et al., Nano Lett. 7, 1551 (2007)

The “killer” features of β -NMR at TRIUMF

- $\sim 10^{10}$ times more sensitive than “conventional” NMR.
- depth resolution on the scale of ~ 1 nm to ~ 500 nm.
- can be used to study (almost) any material.

Raison d'être:

A technique for studying materials / systems that are difficult / inaccessible by conventional means!

What about “chemical” applications of β -NMR?

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noun

1. the branch of science that deals with the identification of the substances of which matter is composed;
the investigation of their properties and the ways in which they interact, combine, and change;
and the use of these processes to form new substances.
2. the complex emotional or psychological interaction between two people.

Microscopic Dynamics of Li⁺ in Rutile TiO₂ Revealed by ⁸Li β-Detected Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

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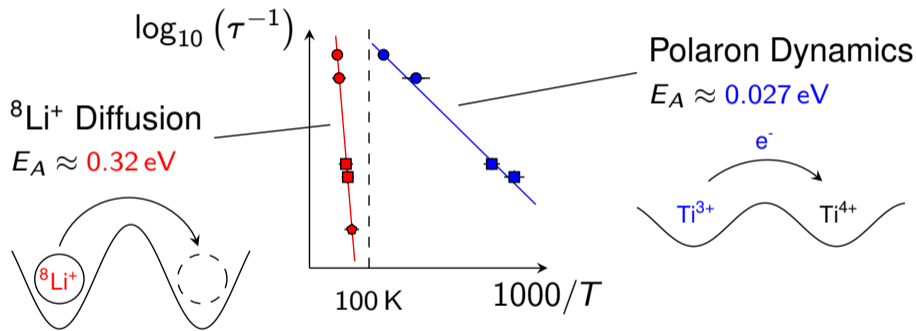
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^8Li β -NMR senses the elementary “hopping” rate τ^{-1} of Li^+ and e^- defects in rutile TiO_2



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Dynamics of Liquid 1-Ethyl-3-Methylimidazolium Acetate Measured with Implanted-Ion ^8Li β -NMR

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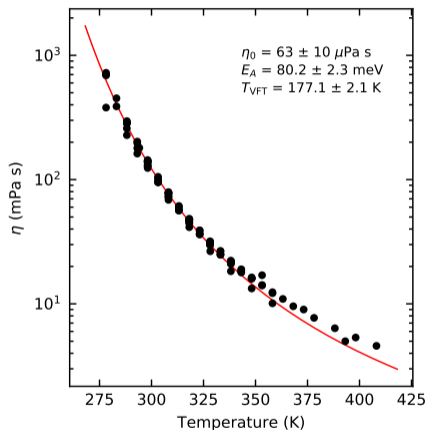
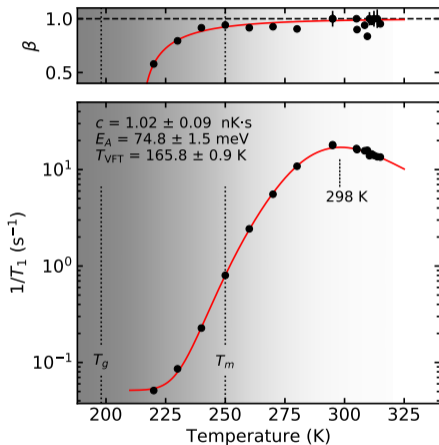
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^8Li β -NMR senses the elementary fluctuations arising from molecular dynamics of the host solvent



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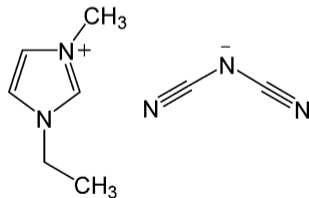
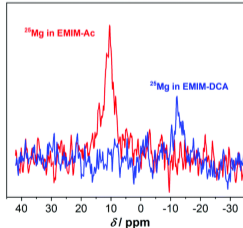
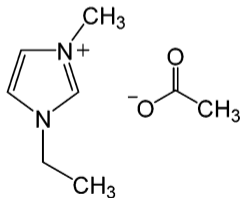
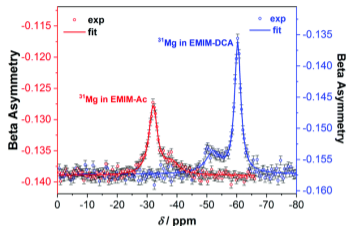
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NMR spectra of Mg^{2+} ions in ionic liquids were recorded using a highly sensitive variant of NMR spectroscopy known as β -NMR. The β -NMR spectra of MgCl_2 in EMIM-Ac and EMIM-DCA compare favourably with conventional NMR, and exhibit linewidths of

high-intensity radioactive ion beam (RIB) facilities, many new nuclei are available in quantities sufficient for the study of condensed matter. The main challenge to the use of RIBs as probes in liquids is the incompatibility of typical solutions

Resolving different coordination complexes using β -NMR

^{31}Mg β -NMR in two room temperature ionic liquids



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Some friendly competition from CERN

^{26}Na β -NMR in two room temperature ionic liquids

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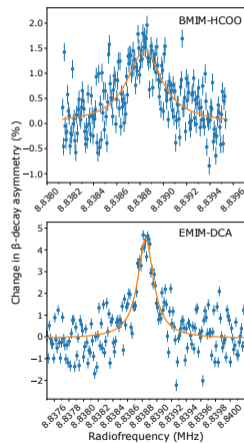
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First results towards studying Mg^{II} biochemistry

^{31}Mg β -NMR in EMIM-Ac + ATP solutions

Mg^{II} binding to adenosine triphosphate in 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium acetate characterized by ^{31}P NMR and ^{31}Mg β -detected NMR

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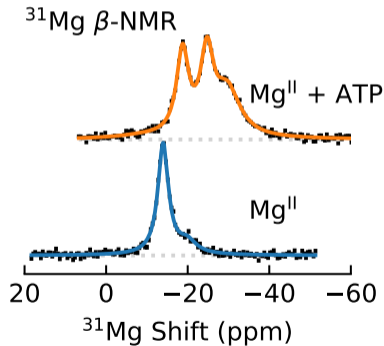
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Concluding remarks

- TRIUMF's β -NMR facility is a unique scientific tool with a diverse portfolio of applications.
- TRIUMF is pioneering new applications of β -NMR, with long-term goals of studying biochemistry / medicine.
- The potential for novel discovery is high!

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β -NMR

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Abstract The β -NMR facility at ISAC is constructed specifically for experiments in condensed matter physics with radioactive ion beams. Using co-linear optical pumping, a $^8\text{Li}^+$ ion beam having a large nuclear spin polarisation and low energy (nominally 30 keV) can be generated. When implanted into materials these ions penetrate to shallow depths comparable to length scales of interest in the physics of surfaces and interfaces between materials. Such low-energy ions can be decelerated with simple electrostatic optics to enable depth-resolved studies of near-surface phenomena over the range of about 2–200 nm. Since the β -NMR signal is extracted

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Development of ^{31}Mg as a β -NMR probe



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Development of a polarized $^{31}\text{Mg}^+$ beam as a spin-1/2 probe for BNMR

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Abstract A 28 keV beam of $^{31}\text{Mg}^+$ ions was extracted from a uranium carbide, proton-beam-irradiated target coupled to a laser ion source. The ion beam was nuclear-spin polarized by collinear optical pumping on the $^2\text{S}_{1/2} - ^2\text{P}_{1/2}$ transition at 280 nm. The polarization was preserved by an extended 1 mT guide field as the beam was transported via electrostatic bends into a 2.5 T longitudinal magnetic field. There the beam was implanted into a single crystal MgO target and the beta decay asymmetry was measured. Both hyperfine ground states were optically pumped with a single frequency light source, using segmentation of the beam energy, which boosted the polarization by approximately 50 %

On the Use of ^{31}Mg for β -Detected NMR Studies of Solids

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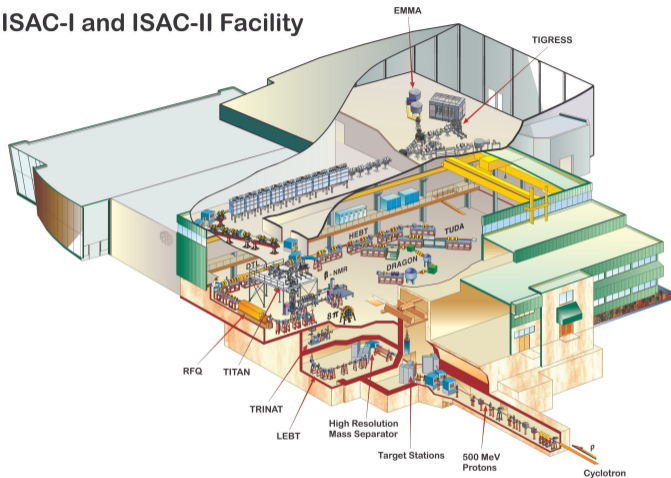
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It has long been desirable to develop a spin-1/2 nucleus as a probe for β -detected NMR studies of solid materials. As a *pure* magnetic probe, it would greatly complement our most extensively used

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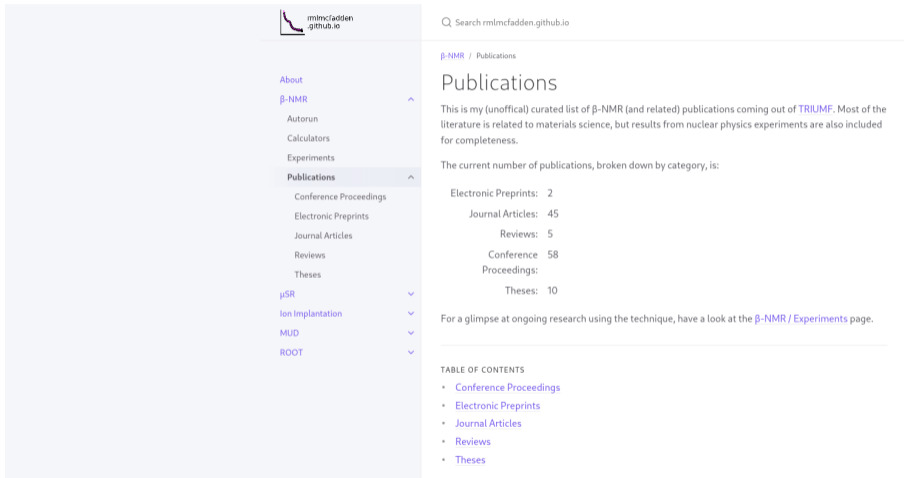
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