## PROPOSAL FOR EXPERIMENT AT RCNP

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#### TITLE:

# Measurement of gamma-rays from neutron-oxygen interaction

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RUNNING TIME: Installation time without beam 2 days

Data runs 2 days

**BEAM LINE:** Ring: N0 course **BEAM REQUIREMENTS:** Type of particle proton

Beam energy 80 and 392 MeV Beam intensity 10 nA and 100 nA (after frequency

division of  $1/\overline{13}$ )

Energy resolution < 1 MeV

Other requirements

halo-free, small emittance, beam pulsing time interval of the proton pulse  $\leq 800$  ns

BUDGET: Experimental expenses 0 year

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#### SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

We propose to measure the characteristics of gamma-ray generated by neutron-oxygen interaction using the RCNP monoenergetic neutron beam made by p-Li reaction. It will provide not only the fundamental information about gamma-ray emission from this interaction but also the useful information for neutrino experiments. Recently, the first observation of the neutrino-oxygen neutral current quasi-elastic interaction was reported by T2K experiment. The result in this neutrino interaction also provides important information to several physics fields, such as supernova neutrino detection, dark matter search and so on. In this measurement, the gamma-ray detection from the neutrino interaction is a key issue, however, it is hard to separate from the gamma-rays via the interaction of secondary nucleons to oxygen. This is a main reason of the remaining systematic uncertainty. The quasi-mono energetic neutron beams which is realized in N0 course in RCNP are well suited for the systematic measurement of gamma-ray emission from the neutron-oxygen interaction. The final goal of the experiment is to establish a reliable simulation of this interaction.