

## PROPOSAL FOR EXPERIMENT AT RCNP

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**TITLE:**

**Investigation of M1 States and Assignment of Isospin for Fe and Ni Isotopes by Combining ( $p, p'$ ) and ( $^3\text{He}, t$ ) Reactions**

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<b>RUNNING TIME:</b>	Installation time without beam	1 days
	Beam tuning time	2 days
	Data runs	14 days
<b>BEAM LINE:</b>		Ring : WS course
<b>BEAM REQUIREMENTS:</b>	Type of particle	Polarized proton
	Beam energy	160 MeV
	Beam intensity	2 – 20 nA
	Energy resolution	$\Delta E \leq 40$ keV, small emittance
<b>BUDGET:</b>	Target ladders and frames	400 kyen
	Enriched isotopes	1,000 kyen
	Improvement of 0-degree beam line	500 kyen
	Travel and local expenses	600 kyen

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## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

Random-matrix theory has been used to describe certain statistical properties of nuclear levels. The spectral fluctuation properties of sequences composed of levels with the same quantum numbers, e.g., spin, isospin, or parity, are typically those of the random matrices of the Gaussian orthogonal ensemble (GOE). Up to now the experimental tests for nuclear system are very limited, because such tests require complete spectrum which have no or few missing states and pure quantum number. Particularly, isospin assignments for levels are very limited compared to spin or parity. For further study of RMT in nuclear system, assignment of isospin quantum number is necessary.

Complete spectra with assignment of quantum number is also attractive for the study of isospin symmetry. Many previous studies suggest that the isospin is approximately a good quantum number in nuclei. However, it is very hard to quantitatively estimate the breaking of the isospin symmetry, because one state can correlate many other neighboring states. In order to study the isospin symmetry breaking, the nearest-neighbor spacing distribution (NNSD) are recently used. If the levels in an energy spectrum have the same isospin (different isospins), in which the correlations between those states are strong (weak), the NNSD shows the GOE (Poisson) distribution. If the isospin is broken, the NNSD composed of the different isospins shifts to the GOE distribution.

The intermediate energy  $(p, p')$  and  $(^3\text{He}, t)$  reactions provide almost pure  $1^+$  spectra at zero degrees. The similarity of the reaction mechanism between  $(p, p')$  and  $(^3\text{He}, t)$  reactions results in similar spectra for the same target. The major differences are the isospin selection rule and the transition strengths proportional to the squares of the isospin Clebsh-Goldan coefficients. By comparing the energy spectra of the  $(p, p')$  and  $(^3\text{He}, t)$  reactions, one can identify isospin quantum number for the excited states. Previously, we performed the experiments of  $^{54}\text{Fe}(^3\text{He}, t)^{54}\text{Co}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}(^3\text{He}, t)^{56}\text{Co}$ ,  $^{60}\text{Ni}(^3\text{He}, t)^{60}\text{Cu}$ , and  $^{62}\text{Ni}(^3\text{He}, t)^{62}\text{Cu}$  at 0 degrees. Then, many discrete  $1^+$  states were observed. Here, we propose high-resolution experiments of  $^{54}\text{Fe}(p, p')^{54}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}(p, p')^{56}\text{Fe}$ ,

$^{60}\text{Ni}(p,p')^{60}\text{Ni}$ , and  $^{62}\text{Ni}(p,p')^{62}\text{Ni}$  at forward angles including 0 degrees. Almost pure  $J^\pi = 1^+$  spectra for  $^{54}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{60}\text{Ni}$  and  $^{62}\text{Ni}$  will be obtained. By comparing the spectra with the previous ( $^3\text{He},t$ ) spectra, isospin assignments will be performed for the  $A = 54$  ( $^{54}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{54}\text{Co}$ ),  $A = 54$  ( $^{56}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Co}$ ),  $A = 60$  ( $^{60}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{60}\text{Cu}$ ), and  $A = 60$  ( $^{62}\text{Ni}$  and  $^{62}\text{Cu}$ ) systems.