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## MARS15 RESULTS FOR THE LBNE-BLIP IRRADIATION TEST

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## Outline

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## NuMI Target

120-GeV proton beam  $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 1.1 \text{ mm}$ 

2e13 p/s × 2e7 s/yr = 4e20 p/yr

Target: POCO Graphite, 1.78 gcc  $47 \times (15 \times 6.4 \times 20 \text{ mm})$ 

### Peak: 0.45 DPA/yr, 123 W/g



# BLIP Target (2009)

165-MeV proton beam to get 101 MeV downstream  $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 4.233$  mm

90µA: 5.62e14 p/s × 2e7 s/yr = 1.124e22 p/yr

Nine 6-mm thick samples, 3 per box

Box-1: Be + IG-43 + POCO (Water) Box-2: IG-430 + CC + POCO (Vacuum) Box-3: Be + Albmet + POCO (He)



Peaks in POCO graphite (3d sample in each box): 1.37, 1.41 and 1.55 DPA/yr, respectively, or <u>0.37, 0.38 and 0.42 DPA in 9 weeks (~1 LBNE year at 700 kW)</u>. Peak power density is ~400 W/g.

## DPA Composition and BLIP for NuMI/LBNE (2009)

### Physics process contribution (%) at beam axis: z=15 cm (NuMI) and Box 2 POCO graphite (BLIP)

Target	Nuclear	EM elastic	L.E. neutrons	e±
NuMI	50.8	43.3	1.5	4.4
BLIP	43.5	53	3.5	0.02

Target	E <sub>p</sub> (GeV)	Beam σ (mm)	N <sub>p</sub> (1/yr)	DPA (1/yr)
NuMI/LBNE	120	1.1	4.0e20	0.45
BLIP	0.165	4.23	1.124e22	1.5

Earlier obtained 0.2-DPA damage limit for carbon materials of interest for 0.7-MW LBNE can be achieved at BLIP over 7 weeks

## Sample Geometry and Beam (February 2010)



Eleven 3-mm thick samples in water

Exit proton beam energy needed = 112.65 MeV,  $\sigma_x = 8.92 \text{ mm}, \sigma_y = 6.79 \text{ mm}$   $94\mu A: 5.87e14 \text{ p/s}$ 9 weeks = 63 days = 5.44e6 s

## MARS15 Modeling (1)



Proton beam energy from Linac needed = 188 MeV

Calculated: particle fluxes, power density, DPA, hydrogen and helium gas production and residual dose two-dimensional distributions along and across the beam

All values are inversely proportional to the beam area, therefore **expected reduction** is

4.233<sup>2</sup>/(8.92\*6.79) ~ **0.3** 

### **Proton Flux**



Proton flux (cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)

## Proton Flux in 1<sup>st</sup> (POCO) and 11<sup>th</sup> (AlBeMet) Samples





DPA after 9 weeks

## DPA in 1<sup>st</sup> (POCO) and 11<sup>th</sup> (AlBeMet) Samples

### In 9 weeks



# Peak: 0.11-0.13 DPA in 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> graphite sample, 0.13 DPA in hBN, 0.06 DPA in Be, and 0.3 DPA in AlBeMet

## Hydrogen Gas Production



Hydrogen production (cm<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)

## Hydrogen in 1<sup>st</sup> (POCO) and 11<sup>th</sup> (AlBeMet) Samples



#### Peak: 2.5e12 cm<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

### Helium Gas Production



Helium production (cm<sup>^</sup>-3 s<sup>^</sup>-1)

### Power Density



Power density (mW/g)

# Power Density in 1<sup>st</sup> (POCO) and 11<sup>th</sup> (AlBeMet) Samples



# Peak: Grows from 113 to 123 W/g when one moves from $1^{st}$ to $8^{th}$ graphite sample, 118 W/g in hBN, and 112 W/g in Be & AlBeMet

### Residual Dose on Contact after 63/1 days



Residual dose (mSv/hr) after 63-day irradiation and 1-day cooling

#### ~50 Sv/hr on BLIP Drive Box

## Summary

• Detailed MARS15 calculations performed in the current sample set for the latest BLIP beam parameters. Linac beam energy found for this set is 188 MeV. Calculated distributions are particle fluxes, power density, DPA, hydrogen and helium gas production and residual dose rate.

• All peak values in central samples are a factor of 3 lower compared to the previous numbers because of corresponding increase of the beam spot size.

• Peak DPA in central samples for the 9-week irradiation are 0.11-0.13 in graphite and hBN, 0.06 in Be and 0.3 in AlBeMet. They are 0.01-0.03 DPA in the outer samples, i.e. substantially lower than "desirable" 0.2 DPA value.

• Ways to increase these rates are to decrease the beam spot size to what was originally planned, increase irradiation time and/or increase intensity (?).