

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

# Cyclotron Institute

The Texas A&M University Cyclotron Institute, a Department of Energy University Facility, is jointly supported by DOE and the State of Texas and is a major technical and educational resource for the state and the nation.





# WORLDWIDE RESEARCH

Research programs at the Cyclotron Institute are funded primarily by the U.S. Department of Energy, the National Science Foundation and the National Nuclear Security Agency.

Internationally recognized for its research, the institute provides the primary infrastructure support for Texas A&M's graduate programs in nuclear chemistry and nuclear physics.

At the institute, we focus on conducting basic research, educating students in accelerator-based science and technology, and providing technical capabilities for a wide variety of applications in space science, materials science, analytical procedures and nuclear medicine. Our programs involve more than 100 Institute members — scientists, engineers, technicians, support staff, graduate students and undergraduate students.

Institute staff constructed and currently operate a K150 cyclotron, a K500 superconducting cyclotron and associated advanced ECR (electron cyclotron resonance) sources. Together, these provide a powerful arsenal of intermediate-energy ion beams for use in both fundamental and applied studies. A large complement of sophisticated state-of-the-art detectors and spectrometers provides the instrumentation necessary for modern research in nuclear structure, weak interactions, exotic nuclei, nuclear astrophysics, intermediate-energy reaction dynamics, nuclear thermodynamics, the nuclear equation of state, atomic physics and applied nuclear science.

In addition to housing the locally based program, the institute also serves as a technical support base for collaborative research programs at other major national and international accelerator facilities. Institute scientists publish more than 100 papers per year in leading scientific journals.

# GRADUATE FACULTY

Graduate faculty members with Cyclotron Institute-based research programs are listed. To conduct dissertation research at the Cyclotron Institute, students may work with any faculty member but must be formally enrolled in the graduate program within the Department of Physics and Astronomy, the Department of Chemistry or the Department of Nuclear Engineering.



Phillip Adsley Experimental nuclear physics and astrophysics • Claude Leon Fellowship



Aldo Bonasera Theoretical nuclear physics

- Visiting dist. scientist, JAERI-Japan
- Honorary professor, Three Gorges University-China and the Chinese Academy of Sciences
- Full professor, Italy



Cody Folden Chemistry, physics and nuclear forensics of the heaviest elements • DOE Early Career Award



Rainer Fries Theory of nuclear collisions, quark gluon plasma and hadrons

- NSF Career Award
- IUPAP Young Scientist Prize



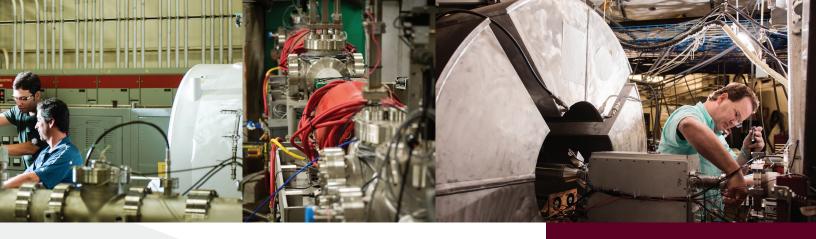
Carl A. Gagliardi QCD, fundamental interactions and nuclear astrophysics

- Fellow, American Physical Society
- Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching, AFS/Texas A&M



John C. Hardy\*
Fundamental symmetries
and weak interactions

- Fellow, Royal Society of Canada
- Fellow, American Physical Society
- 2006 Bonner Prize, APS





Jeremy Holt Theoretical nuclear physics and astrophysics NSF CAREER Award



**Grigory Rogachev** Nuclear structure, nuclear reactions and nuclear astrophysics

- 1998 Kurchatov Prize
- Russian Research Center Fellowship for Young Researchers



Dan Melconian **Fundamental interactions** using trapped ion and atoms

- Canadian Division of Nuclear Physics
- DOE Early Career Award



Shalom Shlomo Theoretical nuclear physics • RIKEN Eminent Scientist Award

- · Fellow, Institute of Physics
- Fellow, American Physical Society



Che Ming Ko Theoretical nuclear physics

- Fellow, American Physical Society · Humboldt Research Award
- · Distinguished Achievement, Research AFS/Texas A&M



Robert E. Tribble\* Fundamental interactions and nuclear astrophysics

- · Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Fellowship
- Fellow, American Physical Society
- Distinguished Achievement, Research AFS/Texas A&M

Sherry J. Yennello

ACS Garvin-Olin Award

Heavy-ion reactions and

NSF National Young Investigator

production of medical isotopes

ACS Glen T. Seaborg Award in Nuclear



Saskia Mioduszewski Experimental, high-energy nuclear physics

- Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers
- Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Fellowship
- Maria Goeppert Mayer Award
- Fellow, American Physical Society



- Fellow, American Physical Society
- · Fellow, American Chemical Society



Akram Zhanov Theoretical nuclear astrophysics and nuclear reaction theory

• Fellow, APS, ACS and AAAS



Ralf Rapp Theoretical nuclear physics

- Humboldt Bessel Research Award
- NSF CAREER & Texas APS Hyer
- Fellow, American Physical Society

## WORKING WITH THE CYCLOTRON INSTITUTE?

**INTERESTED IN** 

FOR GRADUATE STUDENT APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Application information regarding enrollment in the graduate program may be obtained by writing the graduate advisor of your department or by contacting:

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### FOR COLLABORATION AND/OR **RESEARCH INFORMATION:**

As an important national resource for accelerator-based science and technology, the Cyclotron Institute welcomes appropriate use of its facilities. In addition to its primary role — that of research and education in nuclear science — the institute also provides important technological capabilities for applications of nuclear techniques in other areas.

A large complement of sophisticated state-of-the-art detectors and spectrometers provides the instrumentation necessary for modern research in nuclear structure, weak interactions, exotic nuclei, nuclear astrophysics, intermediate-energy reaction dynamics, nuclear thermodynamics, the nuclear equation of state, atomic physics, and applications including isotope production for cancer therapy and radiation effects on satellite electronics.

Potential users of the facility are encouraged to contact:

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\* Not accepting new students at this time

# FACILITY SCHEMATIC

below shows the variety of sophisticated detectors and continually upgrades as needed. The diagram since commissioning its original cyclotron in 1967 and spectrometers that enhance the institute's The Cyclotron Institute has expanded steadily capacity for nuclear research.



Available for commercial, governmental and educational use, the testing facility is installed on superconducting cyclotron and the advanced ECR ion source, a diverse range of particle beams and energies is available for radiation-effects testing. RADIATION EFFECTS FACILITY (1994, 2000, 2005) a dedicated beam line with complete diagnostic equipment and controls. With the modern K500

Four ECR sources inject beam into the K150 and K500 Cyclotrons. One also acts as a charge breeder for radioactive beams.

ION SOURCES (2002 - 2022)



The Cyclotron Institute at Texas A&M University operates one of the world's five largest superconducting cyclotrons, a K500.

K500 SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON (1987)

TAMUTRAP (2016) Purifies and confines short-lived ions for precision decay experiments and as a general decay station.



Spectrometer for production and separation MARS RECOIL SPECTROMETER (1992) of radioactive ions.



TAPE TRANSPORT & PRECISION ON-LINE **DECAY FACILITY** samples of short-

specialized detectors. high-precision decay system isolates pure measurements with Fast tape-transport lived isotopes for



High-resolution, broad-range spectrometer. Beam analysis system provides beams for the MDM SPECTROMETER (1993, 2000) MDM Spectrometer.

intermediate mass fragments in the FAUST multi-

detector array, while simultaneously collecting

the heaviest fragment in the QT.

FORWARD ARRAY USING SILICON TECHNOLOGY

QUADRUPOLE TRIPLET (FAUST-QT) (2013)

Detection of light charged particles and



National Nuclear Security Administration arsenal. as the largest gamma ray detector array in the Capable of detecting gamma rays and ranks





After 20 years offline, this resource once again is operational as an integral part of the

K150 CYCLOTRON (1967, 2008)

nstitute a dual-cyclotron facility providing

accelerated secondary beams.

acility upgrade to make the Cyclotron

High efficiency detection of both neutrons and charged particles. **NIMROD (1999)**