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Introduction

- Neutron capture processes dominate production of Z > 26
- Models of stellar evolution require accurate cross-sections
- Photon strength functions often have the dominant uncertainty
- Low energy enhancement (LEE) first observed
- Reaction rates in r-process nucleosynthesis
- ⁶⁰Fe measurements on earth and space



DAPPER Faraday CD_2 ${}^{57}Fe + d \rightarrow {}^{58}Fe + p + \gamma$ $^{13}C + d \rightarrow ^{14}C + p + \gamma$ Obtain PSF experimentally by measuring gamma-ray energies emitted from particular initial excited states Inverse kinematics opens possibilities of studying rare isotopes Si Relative Energy Res (FWHM) at 1 MeV

Photon Strength Function of ⁵⁸Fe using the Oslo and Shape Methods

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γ -ray energy [MeV]

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