## Atom trapping at (TRIµP) KVI

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TRIµP Facility Towards cooling of Heavy Alkaline Earth Elements (Ba, Ra) Barium Spectroscopy Next steps





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#### **TRIμP** - **Trapped Radioactive Isotopes:** μ-laboratories for fundamental Physics



#### http://www.kvi.nl/~trimp/web/html/trimp.html

#### β-decay



 $p, q \approx 1 \text{MeV/c} \approx 260 \text{ a.u.}$  $E_{\text{recoil}} = (p + q)^2 / 2 M_{\text{recoil}}$  $< 100 \text{ eV} \approx 3.6 \text{ a.u.}$ 

- β-ν angular correlations in nuclear β-decay
- Suitable isotope <sup>21</sup>Na

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# Electric Dipole Moment



#### Radium: Excellent candidate

V. A. Dzuba et al. Phys. Rev.A61 062509(2000)



## **Laser Cooling Chart**



#### Efficient production of cold atoms: Magneto Optical Trap

Other Possibilities: Buffer Gas loading into magnetic trap J. Doyle, Harvard; A. Richter, Konstanz

# **Neutral Atom Traps at KVI**

#### **Calcium(Ca) MOT**

#### Sodium(Na) MOT



ALCATRAZ: Ultra sensitive isotope trap analysis of Calcium TRIµP



MOTRIMS: Recoil Ion Momentum Spectroscopy



### **Radium Atomic Structure**



Energy level data: E. Rasmussen, Z. Phys. 86, 24 (1933) and 87, 607 (1934); H.N. Russel, Phys. Rev. 46, 989 (1934)

#### Spectroscopy of **P** and **D** states

- Lifetime measurement
- Energy level spacing
- Hyperfine structure
- Needed for atomic structure calculations

Calculations done by K Pachuki and Flaumbam, Dzuba et al.

# But what about laser cooling of Radium?



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#### Barium - Testing ground for laser cooling and trapping of Radium



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#### **Constraints**

- Low lying meta-stable D states
- Leakage to D-states after interacting with ~340 photons
- 3 Repumping lasers needed

#### **Repump (Fiber) lasers ordered**





## **Spectroscopy of Barium**

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Spectroscopy of **P** and **D** states

- Life time measurement
- Hyperfine structure

Work in progress with a thermal atomic beam





#### Fluorescence at 553.7 nm from different Ba isotopes





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#### **Isotope shifts and Hyperfine Splitting of the** ${}^{1}S_{0} - {}^{1}P_{1}$ transition in Barium



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## Intercombination line ${}^{1}S_{0} - {}^{3}P_{1}$



#### Creation of intense beam of meta-stable D-state atoms



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#### Hyperfine Splitting of <sup>1</sup>S<sub>0</sub>–<sup>3</sup>P<sub>1</sub> transition in an External Magnetic field

 $\Delta v = g_J \mu m_J B$  $\Delta v_{IS} = {}^{138}Ba - {}^{136}Ba = 108.5 (3) MHz$ 



- Decay rate
- Branching into 3D states





#### **Isotope shifts and Hyperfine Splitting of the** ${}^{1}S_{0} - {}^{3}P_{1}$ transition in Barium





### Next steps

#### **Laser Cooling of Barium**

#### • **Repump Lasers for**

- ${}^{1}P_{1}-{}^{1}D_{2}$  transition @ 1500.4 nm  ${}^{1}P_{1}-{}^{3}D_{2}$  transition @ 1130.6 nm and  ${}^{1}P_{1}-{}^{3}D_{1}$  transition @ 1107.8 nm
- Delivery of Fiber lasers January 2005
- Spectroscopy of meta-stable D-states

#### **Towards Radium**

- Laser @482.5nm for  ${}^{1}S_{0}-{}^{1}P_{1}$  transition by frequency doubling Ti:Sapp Laser
- Production of Radium at TRIµP
- Spectroscopy in a Radium beam





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#### Hanle effect

