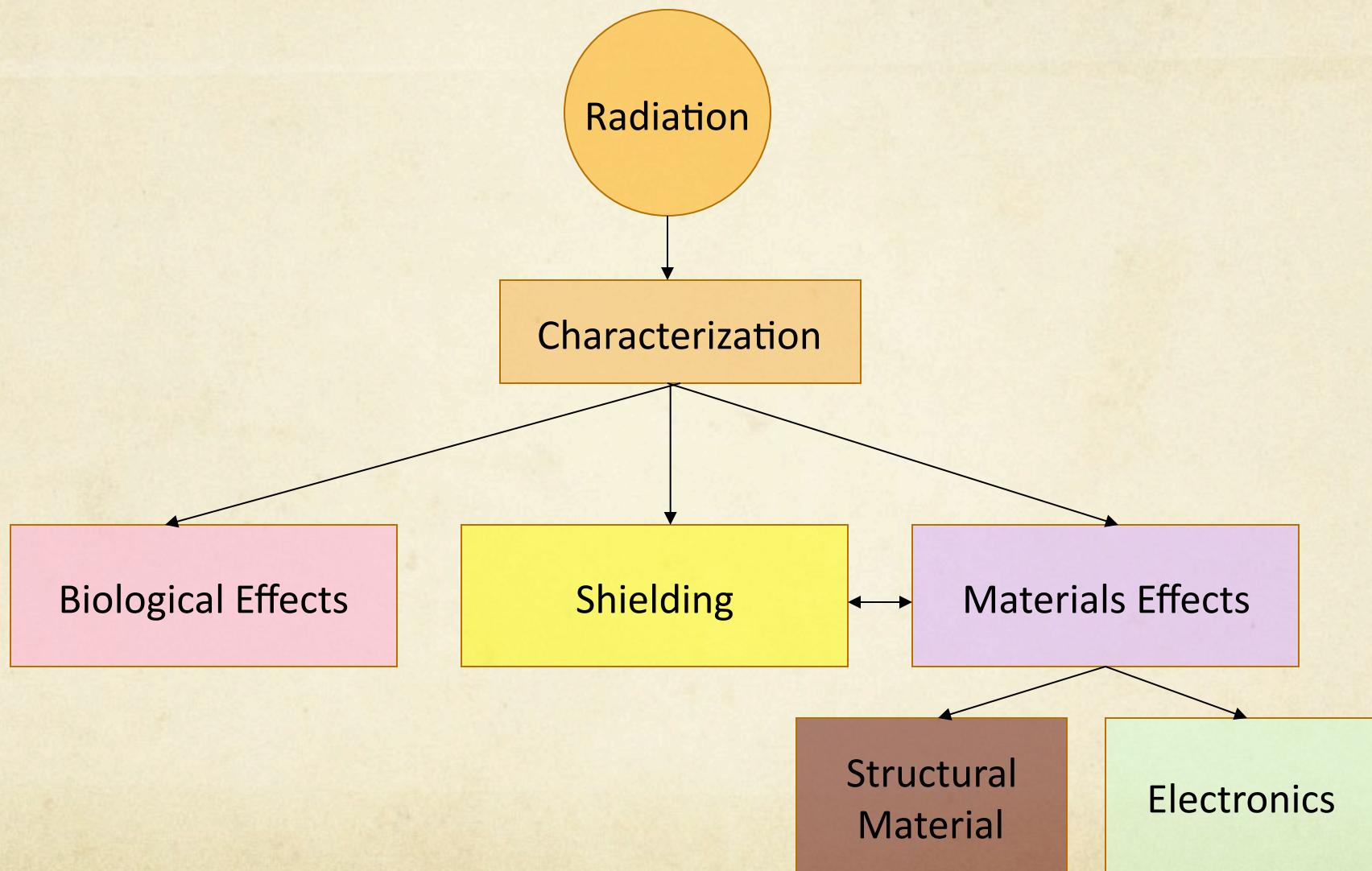


RADIATION TRANSPORT

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Radiation Transport Applications



Rad. Trans. Research Opportunities

- Radiation Detector modeling (solid state and gas proportional)
- Experimental Design
- Evaluation of Cross-sections and Physics Models
- Medical Physics (photoneutron dose calculations)
- Benchmark



Do we have all the Physics?

Table 1

Kinetic energy thresholds (MeV) for proton–proton (pp) reactions. Particle symbols are proton p , neutron n , deuteron d and pion π .

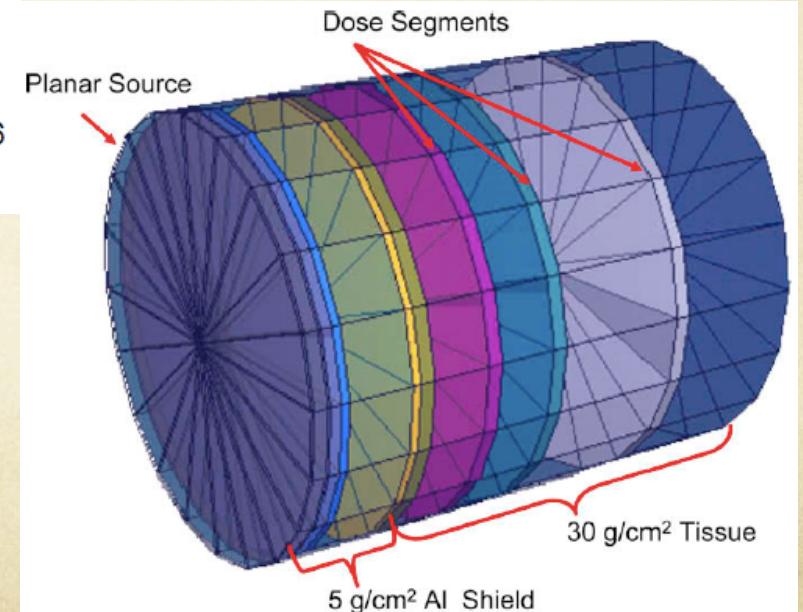
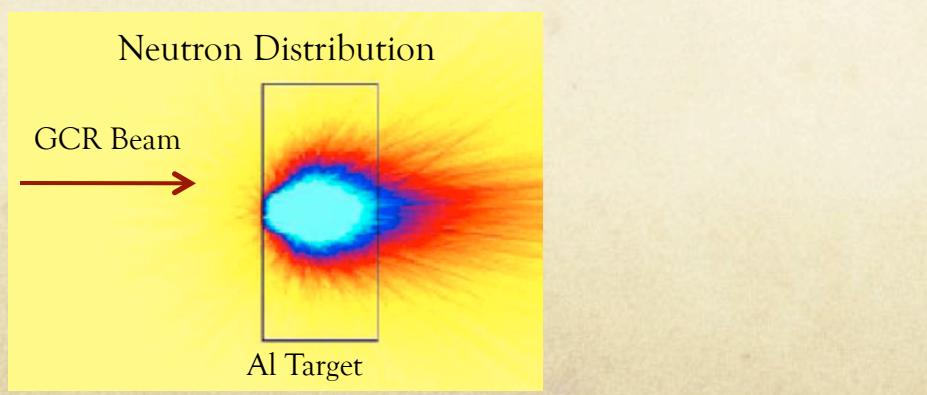
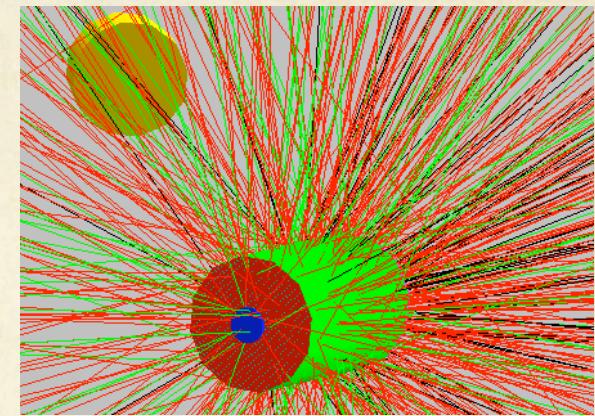
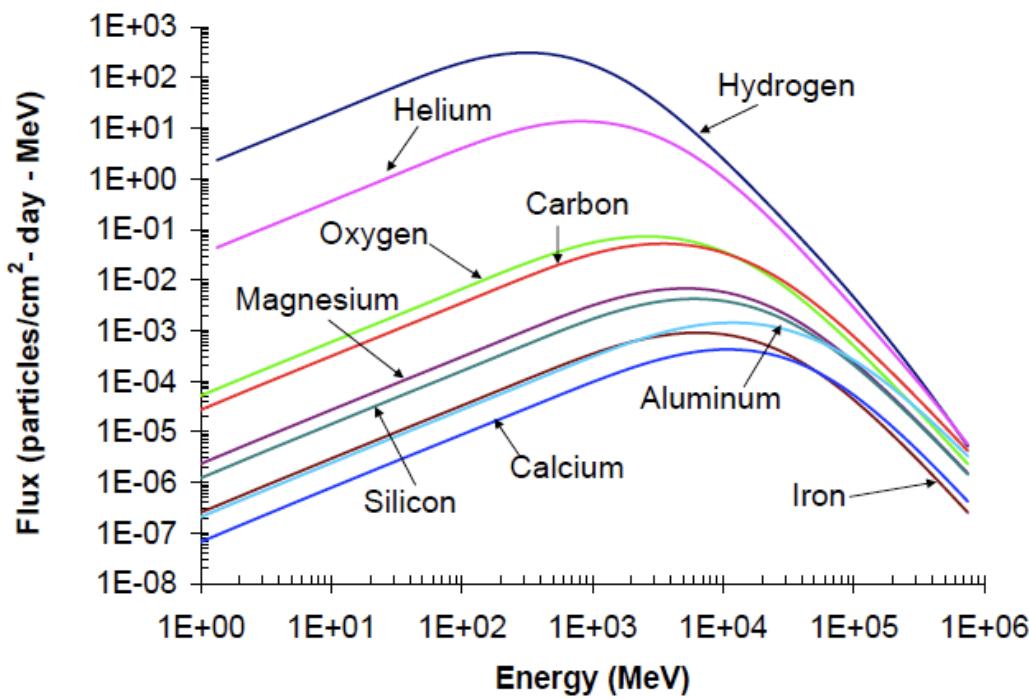
| Final state | Threshold (MeV) |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| $pp\pi^0$ | 280 |
| $d\pi^+$ | 288 |
| $p\pi^+$ | 292 |
| $p\pi^+\pi^0$ | 592 |
| $pp\pi^+\pi^-$ | 600 |
| $pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ | 920 |

Primary decay modes [6]. The mean lifetime is given by the symbol τ and $c\tau$ is the speed of light multiplied by the mean lifetime. Particle symbols are pion π , muon μ , photon γ and neutrino ν .

| Particle | Rest mass (MeV/c ²) | Decay mode | τ (s) | $c\tau$ (m) |
|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| π^0 | 135 | $\gamma\gamma$ | 8.4×10^{-17} | 25×10^{-9} |
| π^+ | 140 | $\mu^+\nu_\mu$ | 2.6×10^{-8} | 7.8 |
| π^- | 140 | $\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$ | 2.6×10^{-8} | 7.8 |
| μ^+ | 106 | $e^+\nu_e\bar{\nu}_\mu$ | 2.2×10^{-6} | 660 |
| μ^- | 106 | $e^-\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu$ | 2.2×10^{-6} | 660 |

Evaluation Using MC Code

- Simulate Solar Particle Events (SPE) and Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCR) boundary conditions



Impact?

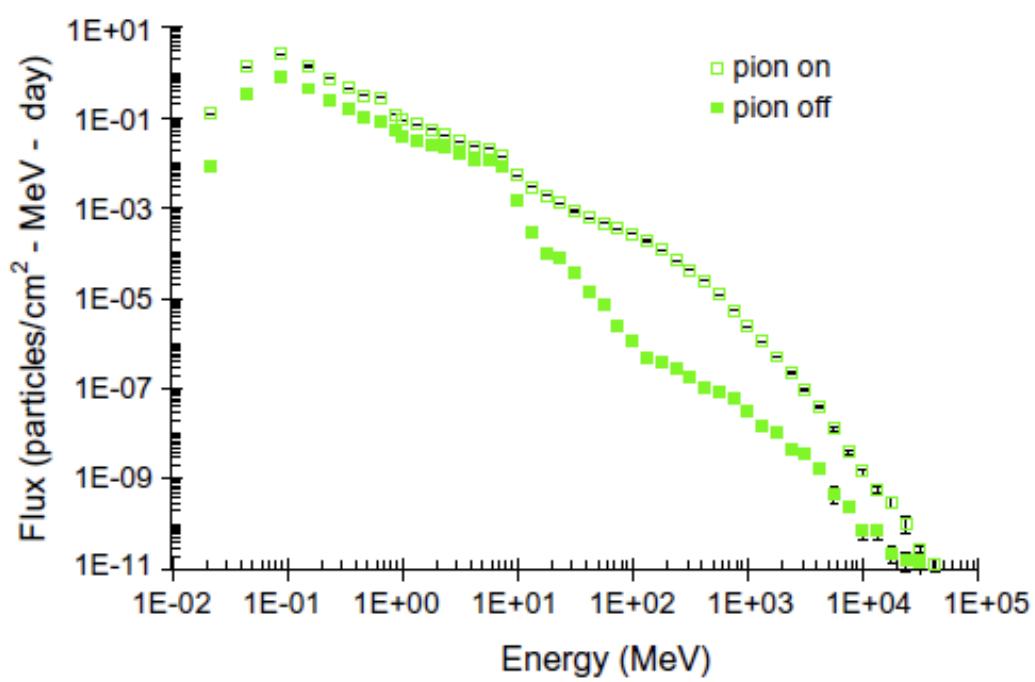
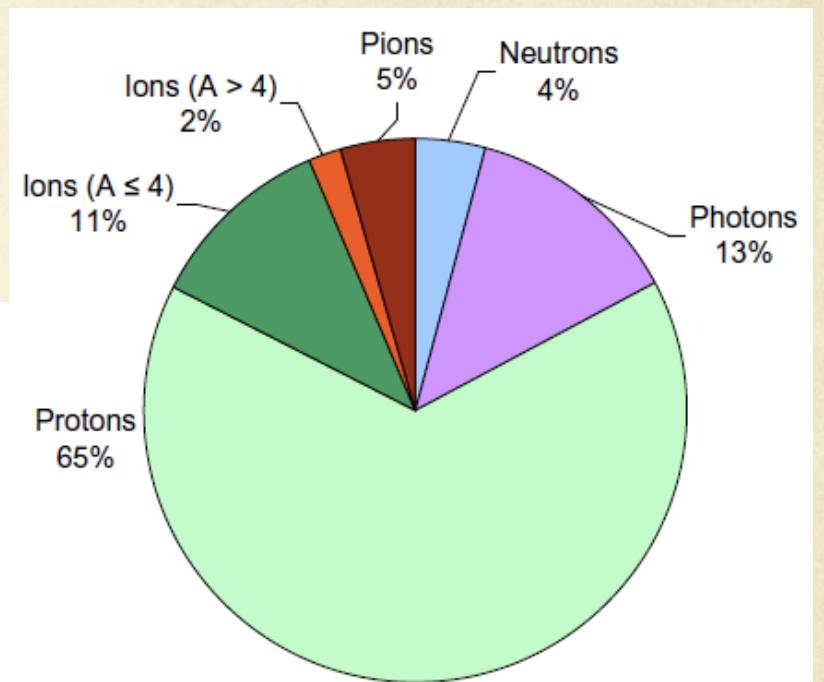


Fig. 8. Photon flux behind at 30 g/cm² tissue behind 20 g/cm² Al.



Detector Modeling (TPEC)

