

INDEN evaluations of F, Si, Cr, Fe, and Cu: The importance of experimental data

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Outlook

- ☐ $^{28,29,30}\text{Si}$ eval : M. Pigni et al, ORNL/LTR-2018/1044
- ☐ Cr isotopes, , G.P.A. Nobre et al, Nucl. Data Sheets 173 (2021) 1
- ☐ $^{233,235}\text{U}$ and ^{239}Pu in the RRR will be covered by M. Pigni later
- ☐ F-19
- ☐ Cu isotopes
- ☐ Fe isotopes, A. Trkov et al, ND2022

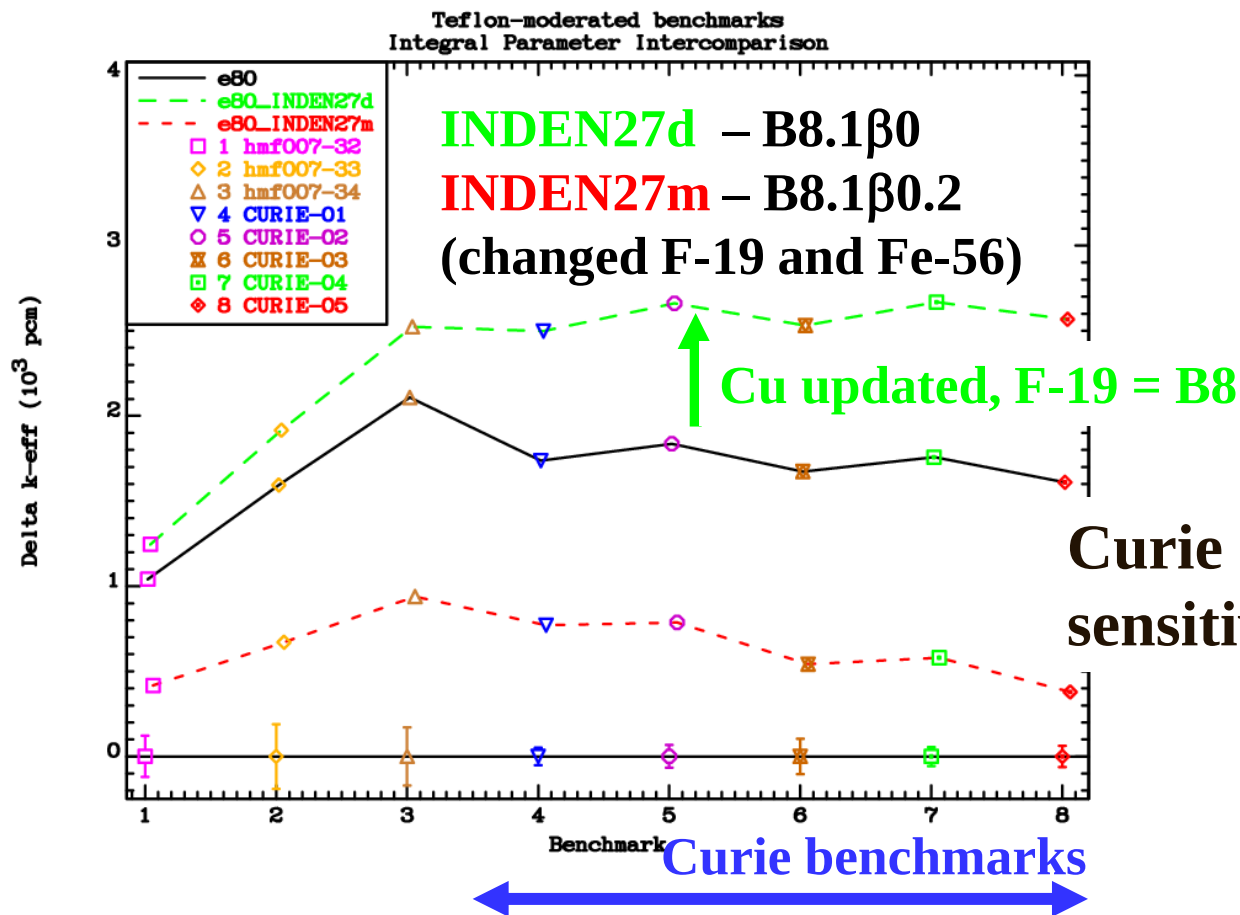


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Richard Philips Feynman, Nobel Prize in Physics 1965



^{19}F : Teflon moderated Curie benchmarks



Curie benchmarks highly sensitive to Cu and F-19 !!

Integral data hints at data problems



^{19}F : EXFOR retrieval and data selection

Dickens 1974

ORNL-TM-4538

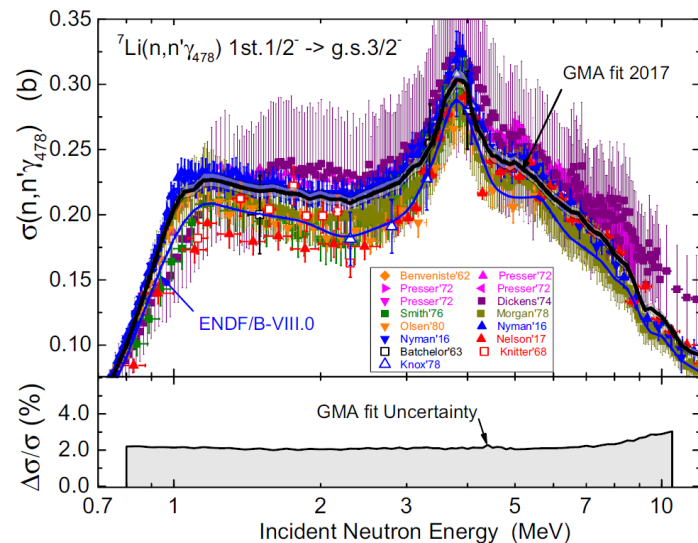
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GAMMA-RAY PRODUCTION DUE TO NEUTRON INTERACTIONS WITH FLUORINE AND LITHIUM FOR INCIDENT NEUTRON ENERGIES BETWEEN 0.55 AND 20 MeV: TABULATED DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS

J. K. Dickens, T. A. Love and G. L. Morgan

$^{19}\text{F}(\text{n},\text{ng})$
 $^7\text{Li}(\text{n},\text{ng})$



NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING: 60, 36-43 (1976)

Morgan 1976

Production of Low-Energy Gamma Rays by Neutron Interactions with Fluorine for Incident Neutron Energies Between 0.1 and 20 MeV

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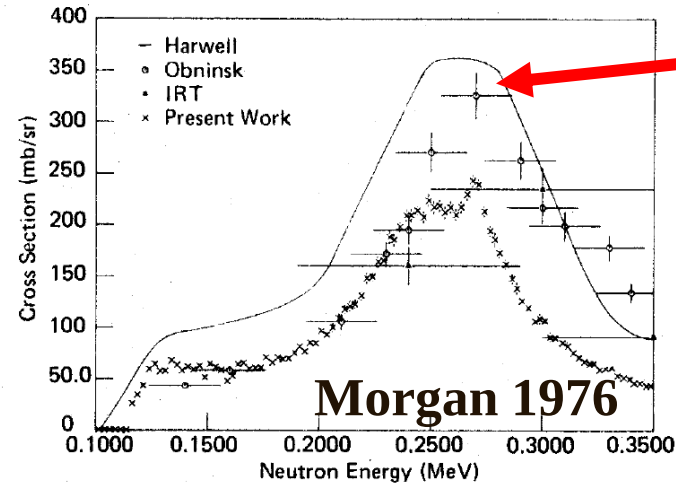


Fig. 4. Differential cross section at 92 deg for the production of the 110-keV gamma ray for E_n between 0.1 and 0.35 MeV. Shown for comparison are the data from Refs. 1, 8, and 10.

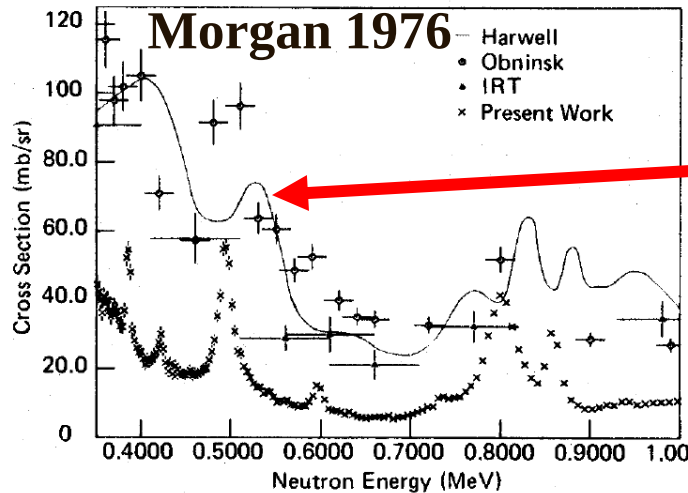


Fig. 5. Differential cross section at 92 deg for the production of the 110-keV gamma ray for E_n between 0.35 and 1.0 MeV.

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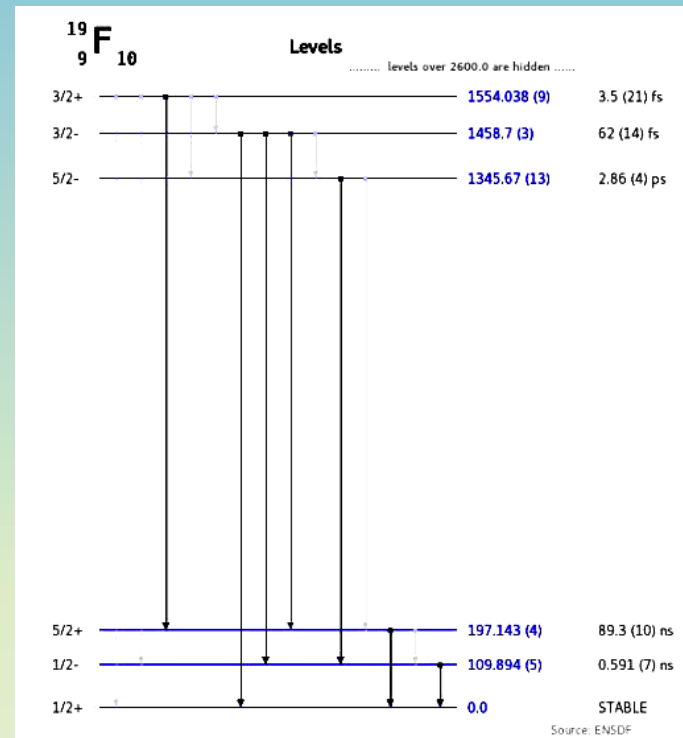
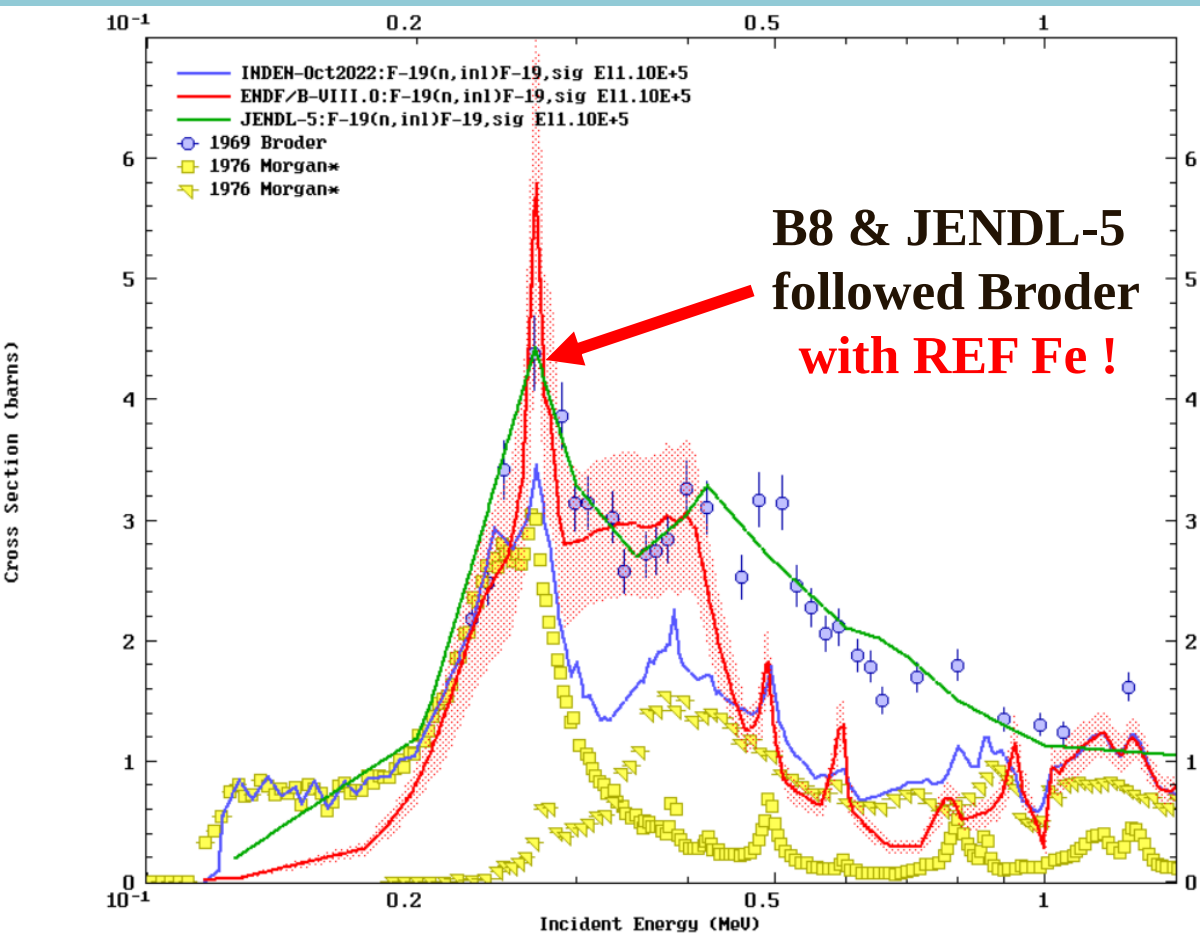
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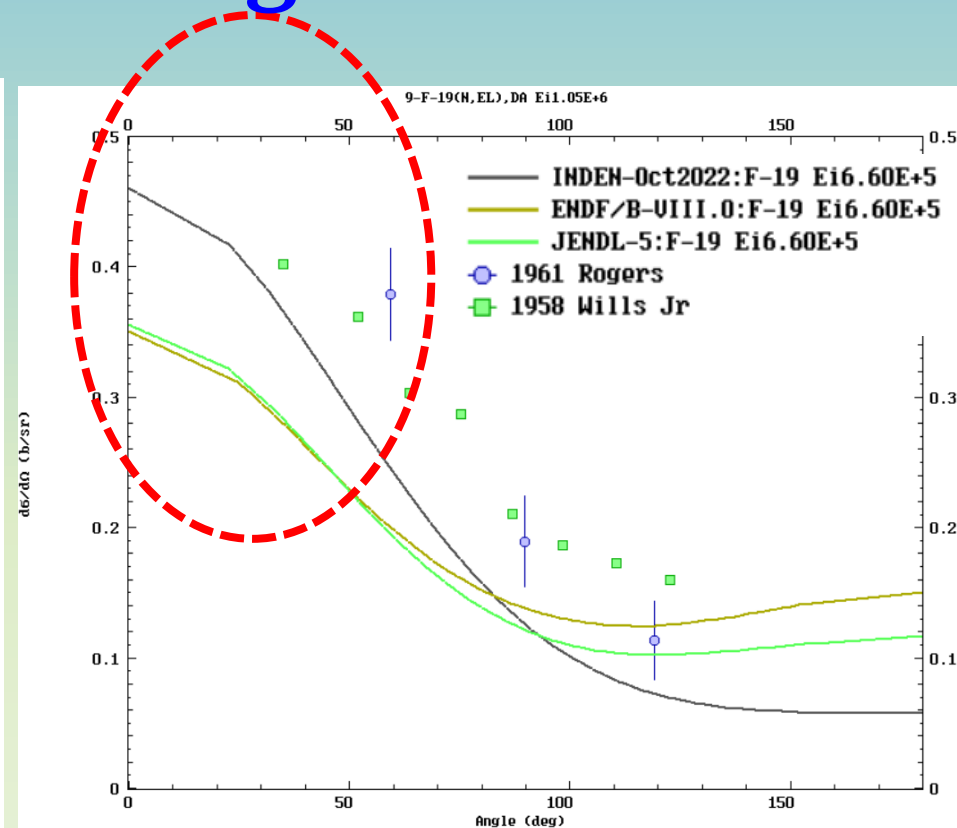
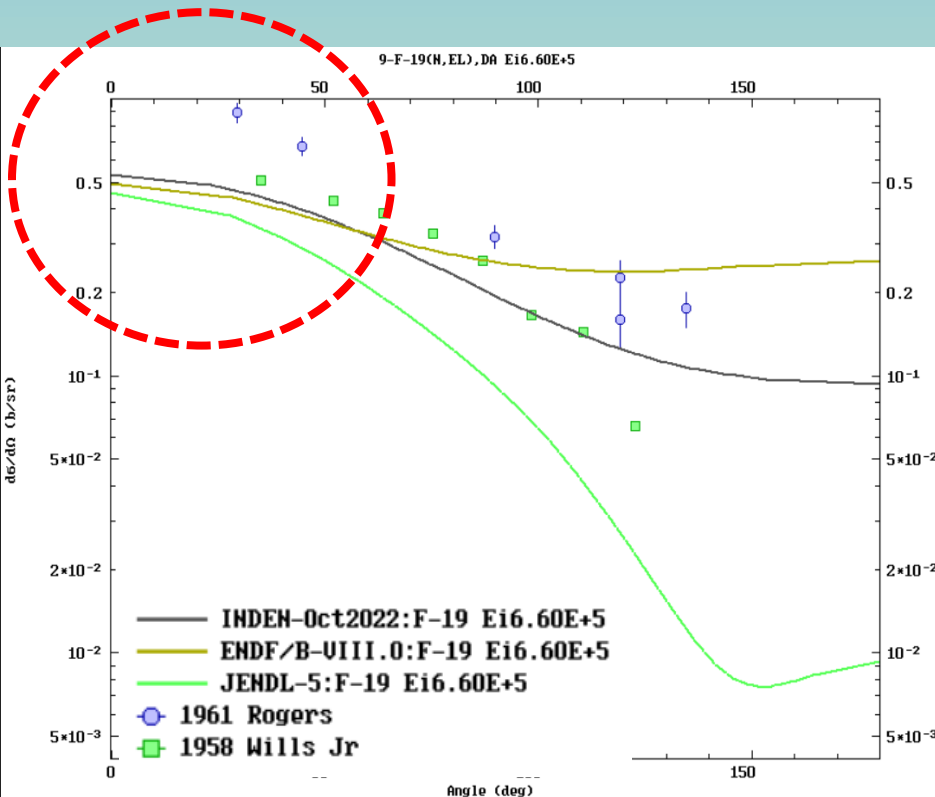
Morgan 76 data adopted << Broder data



By using Morgan derived INL data (nng x 4pi)
F-19(n,inl) reduced by ~40% from 300 keV



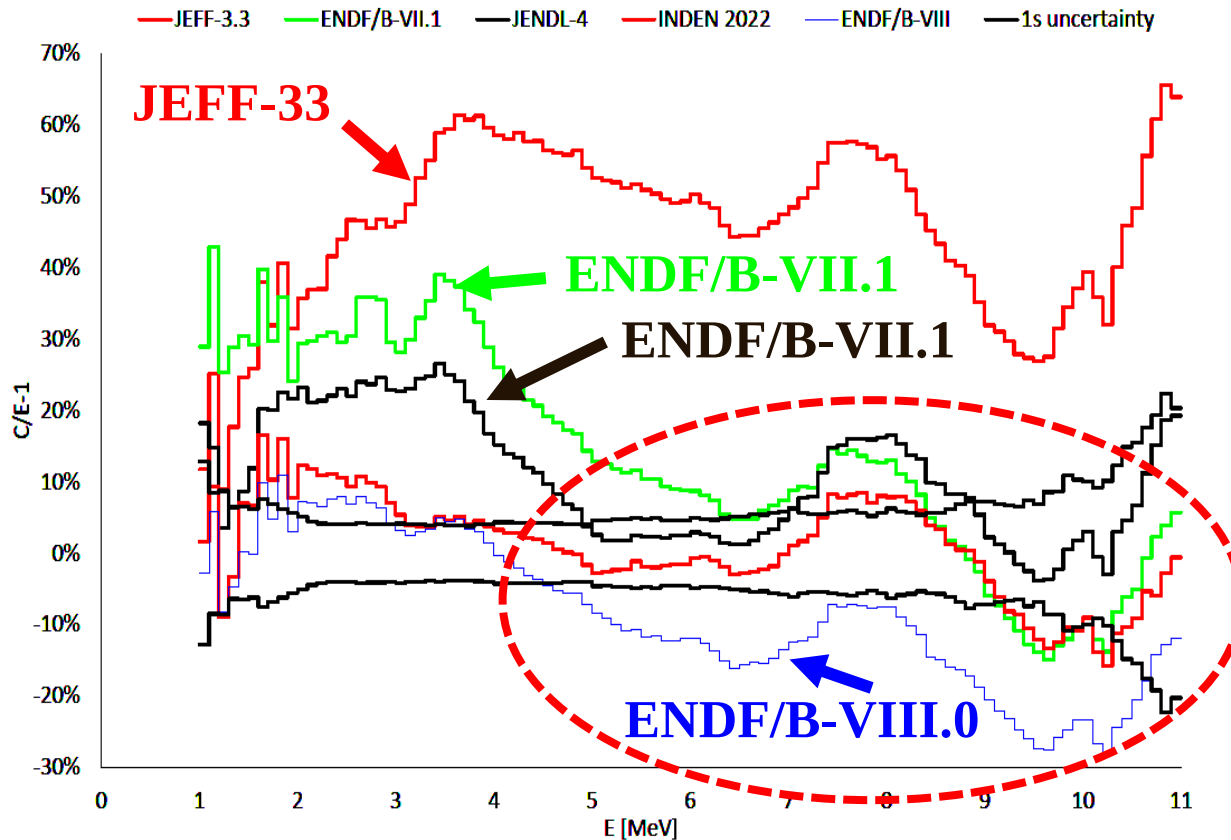
Issues in $^{19}\text{F}(\text{n},\text{el})$ AD below 1 MeV at forward angles



Remember Feynman?



$^{252}\text{Cf}(\text{sf})$ neutron leakage of a Cu cube



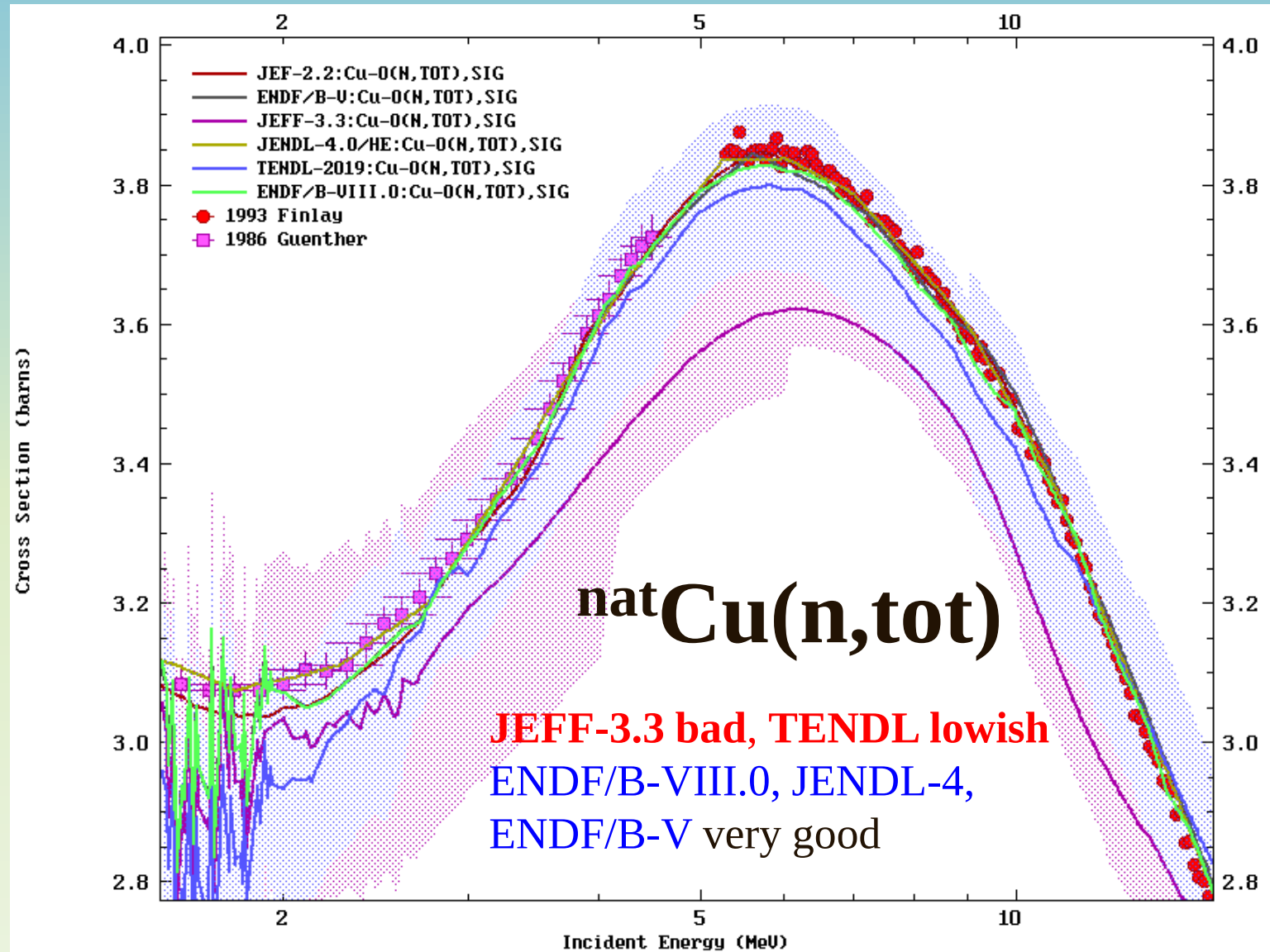
50x50x50 cm³ Cu cube
Cf-252(sf) source,
neutron leakage, Rez, CZ

B8 low, JENDL-5
ok above 4 MeV
JEFF-33 bad

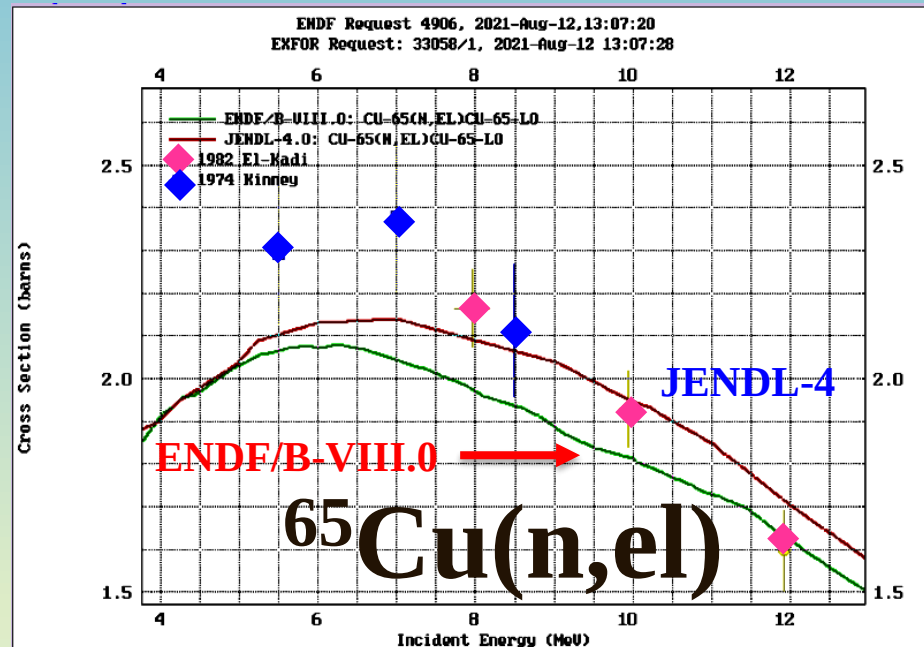
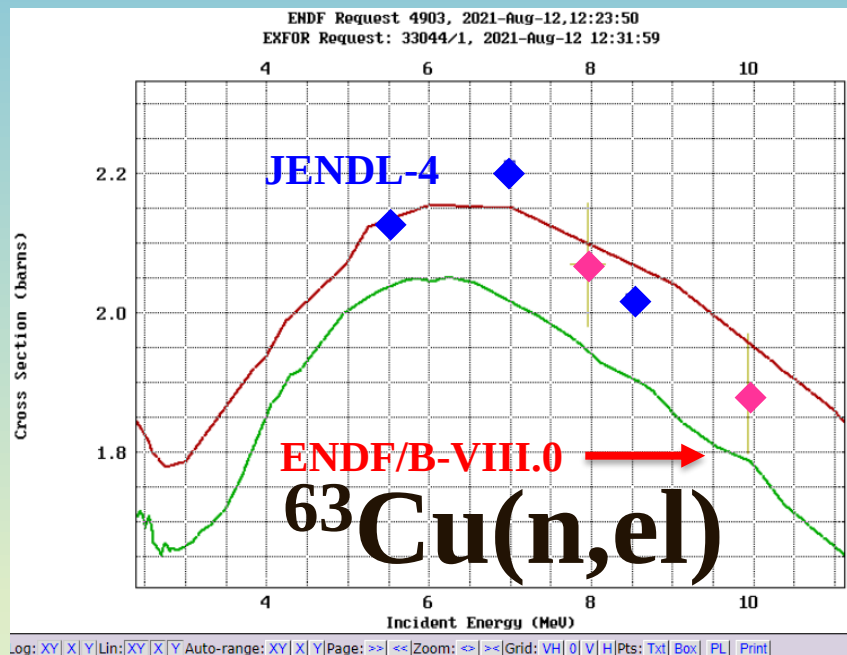
Integral data hints at data problems
Leakage sensitive to el/in/total



Cu: Differential total cross-section data



Cu: Differential elastic cross-section data



B8 does not agree with elastic EXP data above ~ 4 MeV
JENDL-4 much better !

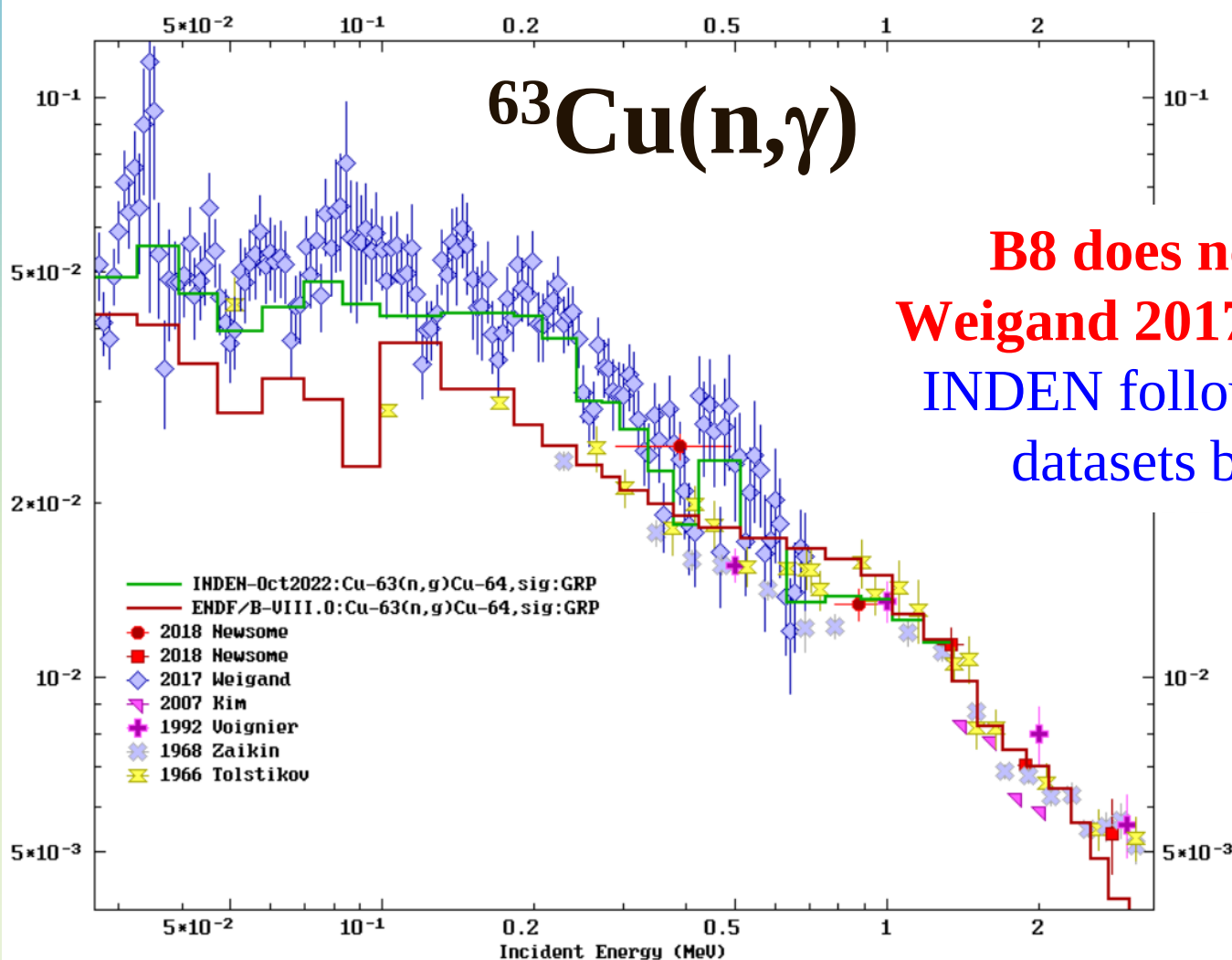
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Capture on Cu-63: New exp. data

$^{63}\text{Cu}(n,\gamma)$

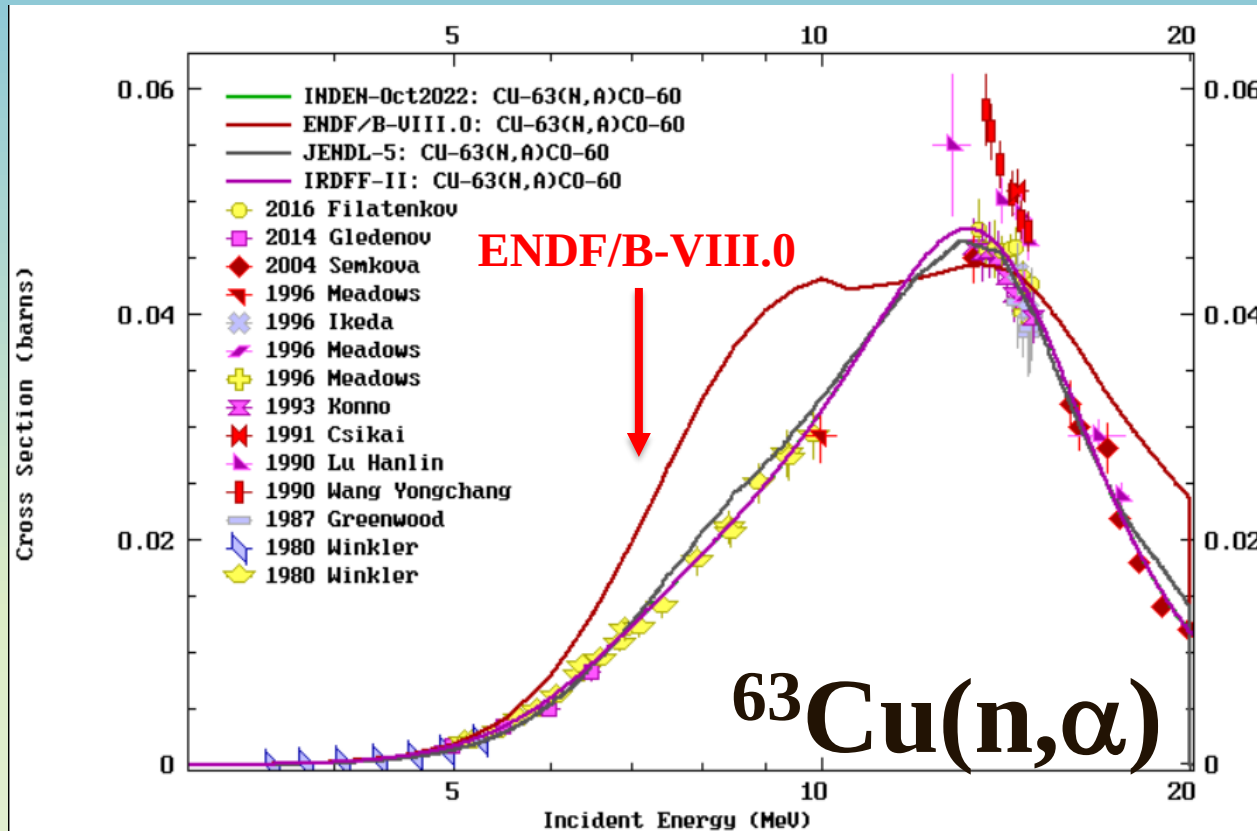
**B8 does not agree with
Weigand 2017, Newsome 2018**
INDEN followed those newer
datasets below 1 MeV



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Alpha emission from Cu-63: IRDFF-II



B8 disagrees with (n,α) – probably a model calc.
INDEN adopted the IRDFF-II evaluation (GLSQ fit)
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Problems with ENDF/B-VIII.0 (CIELO) ^{56}Fe

Underestimation of neutron leakage at 1-4 MeV, overest. near 300 keV

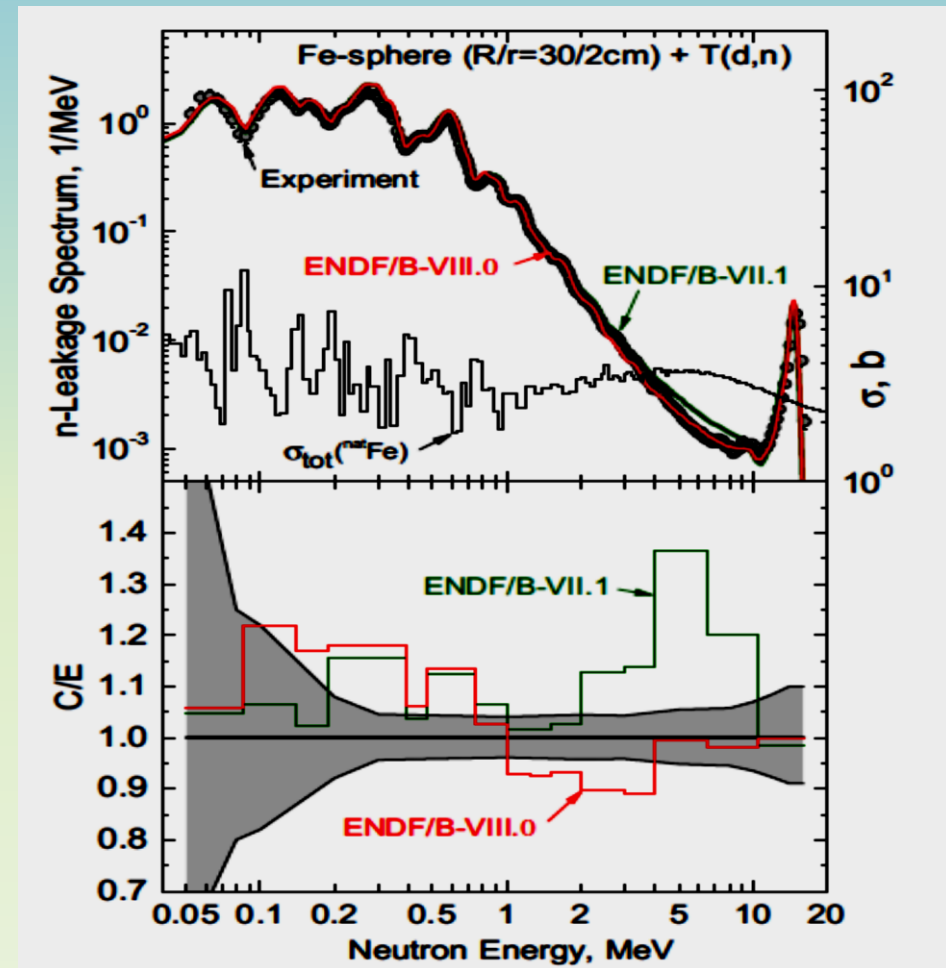
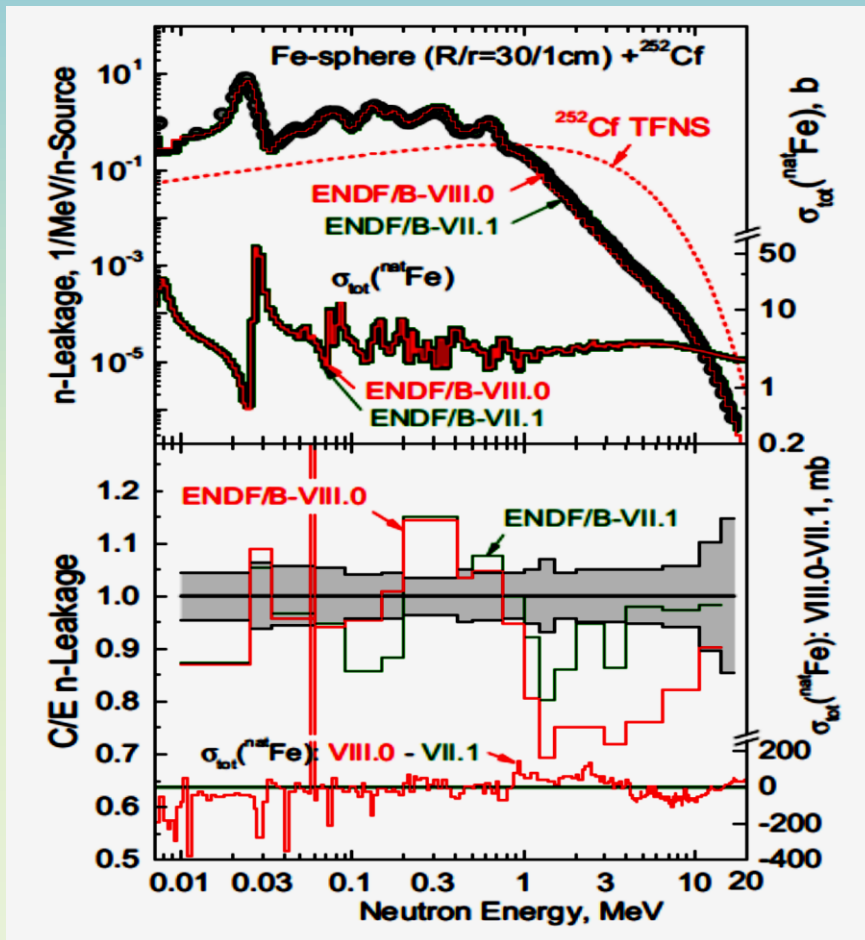
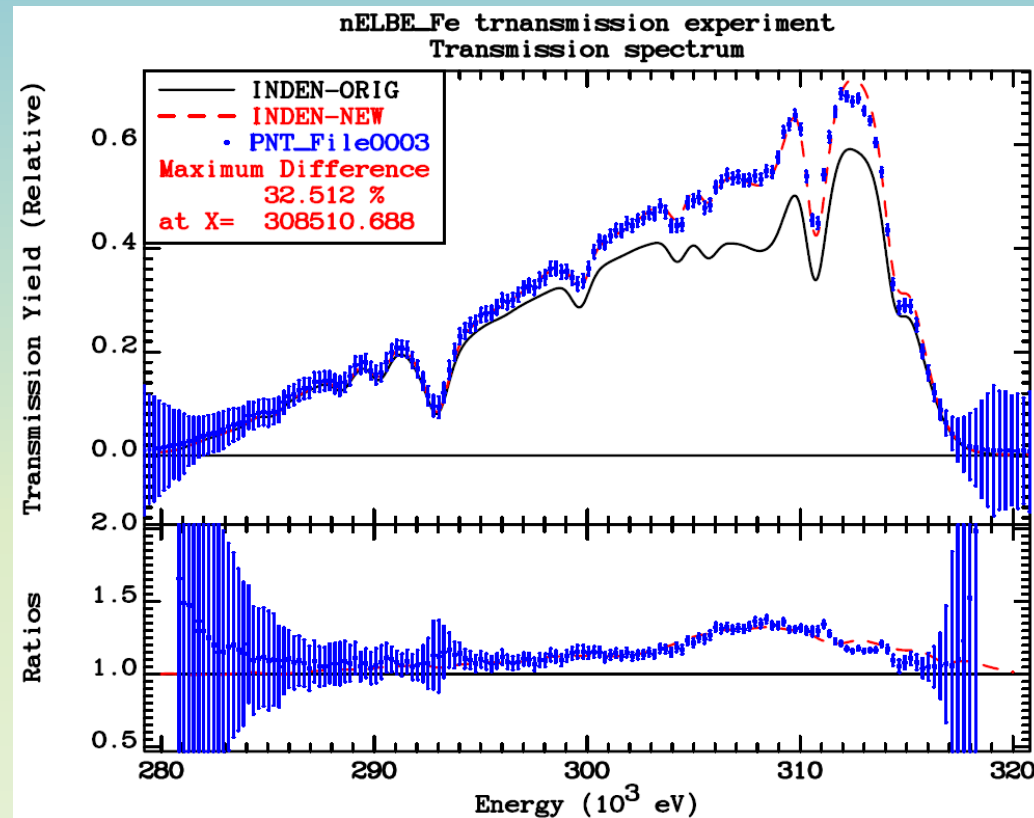


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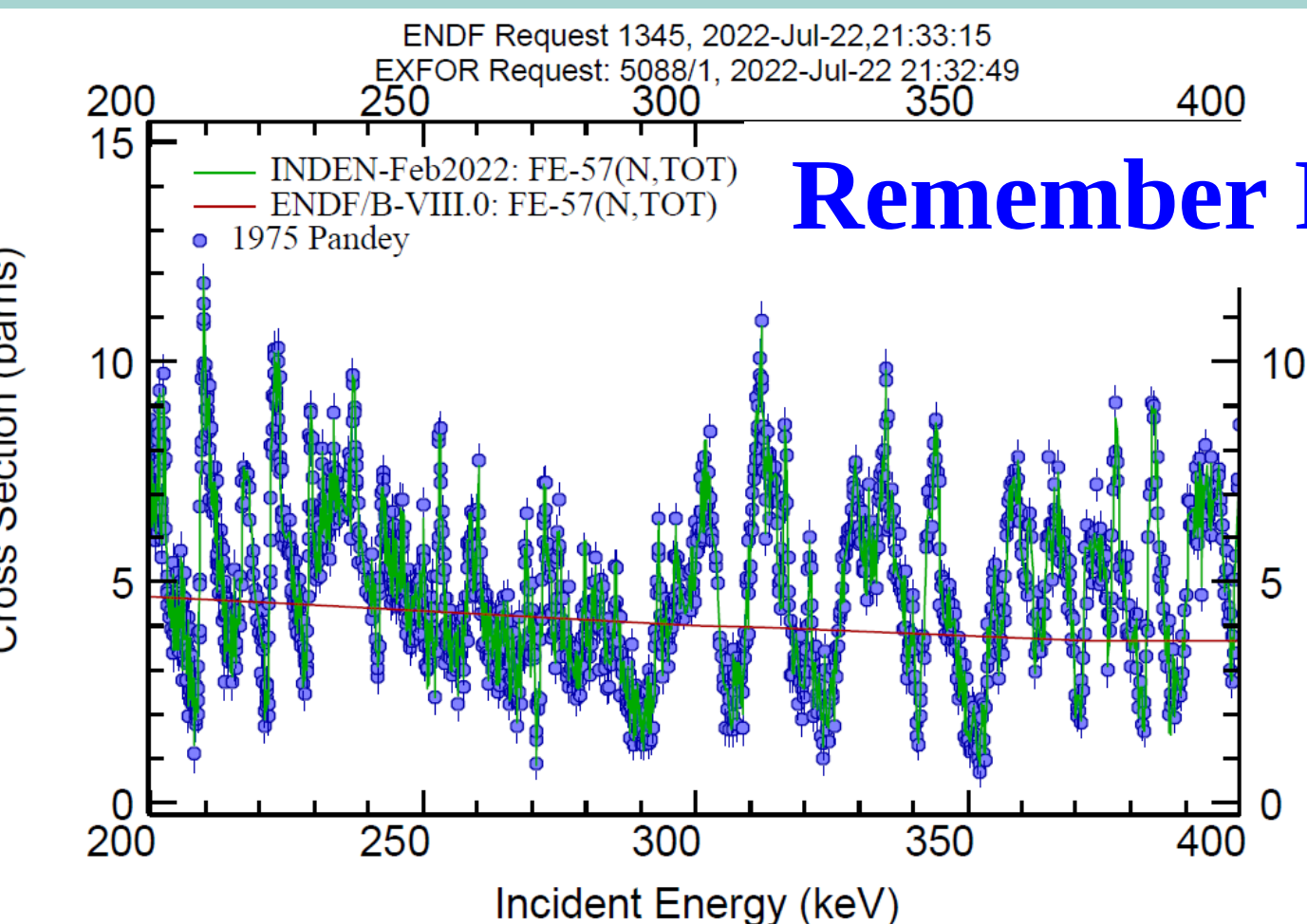


New transmission measurement at nELBE

- A dedicated transmission measurement on very thick target by Arnd Junghans and Roland Beyer at the nELBE facility was performed.
- The assumption about the cross-section minima in Fe-56 is not supported (**black line**).
- An alternative solution was sought: a deficiency in the Fe-57 cross sections was identified as the major cause of the problem (**dashed-red line**).
- Very good agreement with n-ELBE data was achieved.



Fe-57 evaluation does not describe Pandey (n,tot) data having fluctuations up to 7 barn



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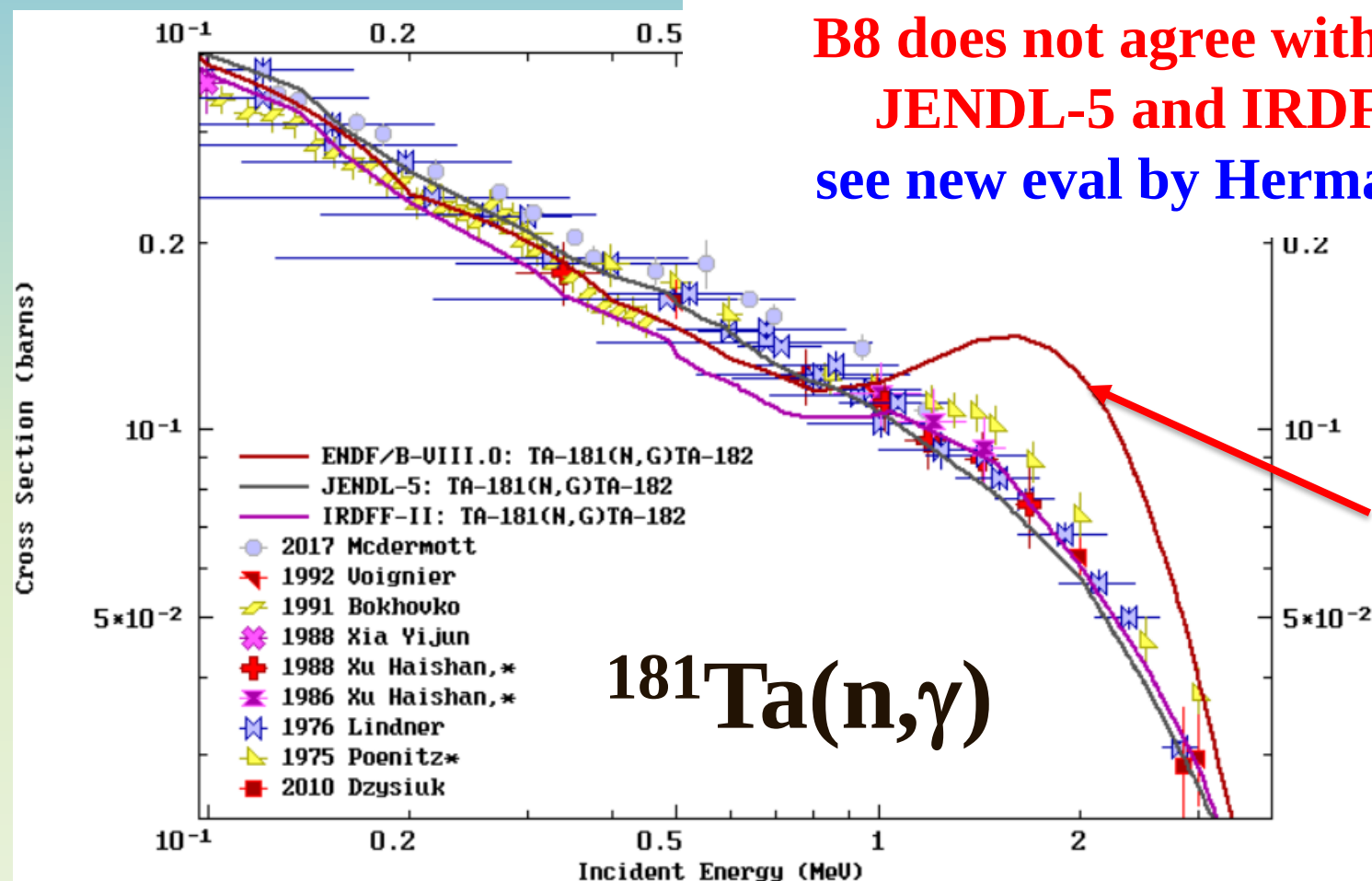
Example: $^{181}\text{Ta}(n,\gamma)$ evaluation vs exp. data

Large impact on Pu-TeX benchmark

B8 does not agree with data!!

JENDL-5 and IRDFF-II

see new eval by Herman et al



Is B8
a calc.?
probably

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Summary and Conclusions

INDEN collaboration is addressing data issues with the following strategy:

- ✓ Identify data problems through integral validation and feedback
- ✓ Identify underlying data issues in differential data evaluation (sensit)
- ✓ Assess available experimental differential data to find alternative solutions to improve integral benchmarks
- ✓ Update selected experimental data to the latest standards/references
- ✓ A GLSQ fit of available comprehensive datasets is the preferred solution
- ✓ If model is available, use model including correlations as prior



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Of course, we do remember Feynman!

