

# Alan-John (A.J) Mitchell, Ph.D.

## Publications and presentations

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### Publications

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#### Peer-reviewed journals

Publications marked by \* are those in which I have made a significant contribution to either the development of the experiment or hardware, analysis and interpretation, or all of the above.

1. \*‘*The X-Array and SATURN: A new decay-spectroscopy station for CARIBU*’. **A.J. Mitchell**, P.F. Bertone, B. DiGiovine, C.J. Lister M.P. Carpenter, P. Chowdhury, J.A. Clark, A.Y. Deo, F.G. Kondev, E.A. McCutchan, N. D’Olympia, J. Rohrer, G. Savard, D. Seweryniak, S. Zhu. **Nucl. Inst. and Meth. in Phys. Res. A** **763** (2014) 232.
2. \*‘*Single-particle excitations in  $^{113-125}\text{Sb}$  from ( $\alpha,t$ ) and ( $^3\text{He},d$ ) reactions*’. **A.J. Mitchell**, S.J. Freeman, J.P. Schiffer, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, C.R. Hoffman, A.M. Howard, B.P. Kay, P.D. Parker, D.K. Sharp and J.S. Thomas. **(in preparation)**.
3. ‘*Proton pair correlations and the neutrinoless double- $\beta$  decay of  $^{76}\text{Ge}$* ’. A. Roberts, A.M. Howard, J.J. Kollata, A.N. Villano, F.D. Beccetti, P.A. DeYoung, M. Febbraro, S.J. Freeman, B.P. Kay, S.A. McAllister, **A.J. Mitchell**, J.P. Schiffer, J.S. Thomas, and R.O. Torres-Isea. **Phys. Rev. C** **87**, (2013) 051305.
4. ‘*Neutron single-particle strength outside the  $N = 50$  core*’. D.K. Sharp, B.P. Kay, J.S. Thomas, S.J. Freeman, J.P. Schiffer, B.B. Back, S. Bedoor, T. Bloxham, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, C.R. Hoffman, A.M. Howard, J.C. Lighthall, S.T. Marley, **A.J. Mitchell**, T. Otsuka, P.D. Parker, K.E. Rehm, D.V. Shetty, and A.H. Wuosmaa. **Phys. Rev. C** **87**, (2013) 014312 – **Editor’s Suggestion**.
5. ‘*Valence neutron properties relevant to the neutrinoless double- $\beta$  decay of  $^{130}\text{Te}$* ’. B.P. Kay, T. Bloxham, S.A. McAllister, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, S.J. Freedman, S.J. Freeman, K. Han, A.M. Howard, **A.J. Mitchell**, P.D. Parker, J.P. Schiffer, D.K. Sharp, and J.S. Thomas. **Phys. Rev. C** **87**, (2013) 011302.
6. ‘*Valence nucleon populations in the Ni isotopes*’. J.P. Schiffer, C.R. Hoffman, B.P. Kay, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, S.J. Freeman, M. Honma, A. M. Howard, **A.J. Mitchell**, T. Otsuka, P.D. Parker, D.K. Sharp, and J.S. Thomas. **Phys. Rev. C** **87**, (2013) 034306.
7. ‘*Neutron pair correlations in  $A = 100$  nuclei involved in neutrinoless double- $\beta$  decay*’. J.S. Thomas, S.J. Freeman, C.M. Deibel, T. Faestermann, R. Hertenberger, B.P. Kay, S.A. McAllister, **A.J. Mitchell**, J.P. Schiffer, D.K. Sharp, and H.-F. Wirth. **Phys. Rev. C** **86**, (2012) 047304.
8. ‘*Test of Sum Rules in Nucleon Transfer Reactions*’. J.P. Schiffer, C.R. Hoffman, B.P. Kay, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, S.J. Freeman, A.M. Howard, **A.J. Mitchell**, P.D. Parker, D.K. Sharp and J.S. Thomas. **Phys. Rev. Lett.** **108**, (2012) 022501.

#### Conference Proceedings

1. \*‘*First  $\gamma$ -decay Studies With CARIBU Low-Energy Exotic Beams*’. **A.J. Mitchell**, P.F. Bertone, B. DiGiovine, et al. **JPS Conf. Proc. Volume 6** (2015).
2. \*‘*Investigating trends in proton single-particle states in  $Z = 51$  isotopes using transfer reactions*’. **A.J. Mitchell**, S.J. Freeman, J.P. Schiffer, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, C.R. Hoffman, A.M. Howard, B.P. Kay, P.D. Parker, D.K. Sharp and J.S. Thomas. **J. Phys. Conf. Ser.** **381** (2012) 012099.
3. ‘*Trends in the  $g_{7/2}$  and  $h_{11/2}$  neutron single-particle energies in  $N = 51$  isotones*’. D.K. Sharp, B.P. Kay, S.J. Freeman, J.P. Schiffer, B.B. Back, T. Bloxham, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, C.R. Hoffman, A.M. Howard, J.C. Lighthall, S.T. Marley, **A.J. Mitchell**, P.D. Parker, J.S. Thomas, and A.H. Wuosmaa. **J. Phys. Conf. Ser.** **381** (2012) 012100.

4. ‘Constraining neutrinoless double  $\beta$  decay matrix elements in  $^{130}\text{Te}$ .’. S.A. McAllister, B.P. Kay, S.J. Freeman, J.P. Schiffer, C.M. Deibel, T. Bloxham, A.M. Howard, **A.J. Mitchell**, P.D. Parker, D.K. Sharp and J.S. Thomas. *J. Phys. Conf. Ser.* **381** (2012) 012043.
5. ‘HELIOS - progress and possibilities’. B.P. Kay, M. Alcorta, B.B. Back, S.I. Baker, S. Bedoor, T. Bloxham, J.A. Clark, C.M. Deibel, S.J. Freeman, C.R. Hoffman, A.M. Howard, J.C. Lighthall, S.T. Marley, **A.J. Mitchell**, K.E. Rehm, J.P. Schiffer, D.K. Sharp, D.V. Shetty, J.S. Thomas, A.H. Wuosmaa, and S.Zhu. *J. Phys. Conf. Ser.* **381** (2012) 012095.

## Contributed oral presentations

### *International conferences*

- ‘First  $\gamma$ -decay studies with CARIBU low-energy beams’. *Advances in Radioactive Isotope Science 2014, University of Tokyo, Japan* (June 2014).
- ‘Investigating trends in proton single-particle states in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *Rutherford Centennial International Nuclear Physics Conference, The University of Manchester, UK* (July 2011).

### *National conferences and workshops*

- ‘The X-Array and Saturn: A new decay-spectroscopy station for CARIBU’. *ATLAS Users’ Meeting, Argonne National Laboratory, IL* (May 2014).
- ‘Commissioning of a new decay-detection array and tape transport station for CARIBU’. *APS Division of Nuclear Physics Fall Meeting, Newport News, VA* (October 2013).
- ‘Decay spectroscopy at Argonne National Laboratory’. *Low-Energy Community Meeting, Michigan State University, MI* (August 2013).
- ‘Evolving high- $j$  single-particle energies: progress and possibilities’. *Institute of Physics Annual Nuclear Physics Conference, University of Brighton, UK - Invited talk* (April 2012).
- ‘Investigating trends in proton single-particle states in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *UK Nuclear Physics Summer School, University of St Andrews, UK - ‘Best Overall Presentation’ prize* (September 2011).
- ‘Investigating proton single-particle states in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *Institute of Physics Annual Nuclear Physics Conference, University of Glasgow, UK* (April 2011).

### *Invited seminars*

- ‘Physics with low-energy CARIBU beams’. *Departmental Seminar, IFIC University of Valencia, Spain* (December 2014).
- ‘Recent progress in radioactive-ion beam experiments at Argonne National Laboratory’. *Departmental Seminar, University of Surrey, UK* (December 2014).
- ‘Physics with low-energy CARIBU beams’. *Nuclear Physics Seminar, University of Manchester, UK* (November 2014).
- ‘Opportunities with radioactive beams at Argonne National Laboratory’. *Department Seminar, University of York, UK* (November 2014).
- ‘Opportunities with CARIBU radioactive beams at Argonne National Laboratory’. *ANU Departmental Seminar, Australian National University, Australia* (March 2014).

### **Research seminars**

- ‘Decay spectroscopy at Argonne National Laboratory’. *Graduate seminar, University of Massachusetts Lowell, MA* (November 2013).
  - ‘Evolving high- $j$  single-particle energies: progress and possibilities’. *Graduate seminar, University of Massachusetts Lowell, MA* (November 2012).
  - ‘A Tale of Two Cities: South Bend, IN and New Haven, CT’. *Graduate seminar, The University of Manchester, UK* (January 2012).
  - ‘Investigating trends in proton single-particle states in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *Graduate seminar, The University of Manchester, UK* (November 2010).
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### **Poster presentations**

- ‘Commissioning of a new decay station for CARIBU’. *Exotic Beam Summer School, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, CA* (July 2013).
- ‘Commissioning of a new decay-detection array and tape transport station for CARIBU’. *Gordon Research Conference, New London, NH* (June 2013).
- ‘Investigating trends in proton single-particle energies in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *Nuclear Structure 2012, Argonne National Laboratory, IL* (August 2012).
- ‘Investigating proton single-particle energies in  $Z = 51$  isotopes’. *Annual Graduate Student event, The University of Manchester, UK* (September 2011).