

# **A Comparative Study of the Identification of Heavy Carbon Clusters with Direct Recoil Spectroscopy (DRS) and ExB Velocity Spectrometer on PINSTECH Accelerator**

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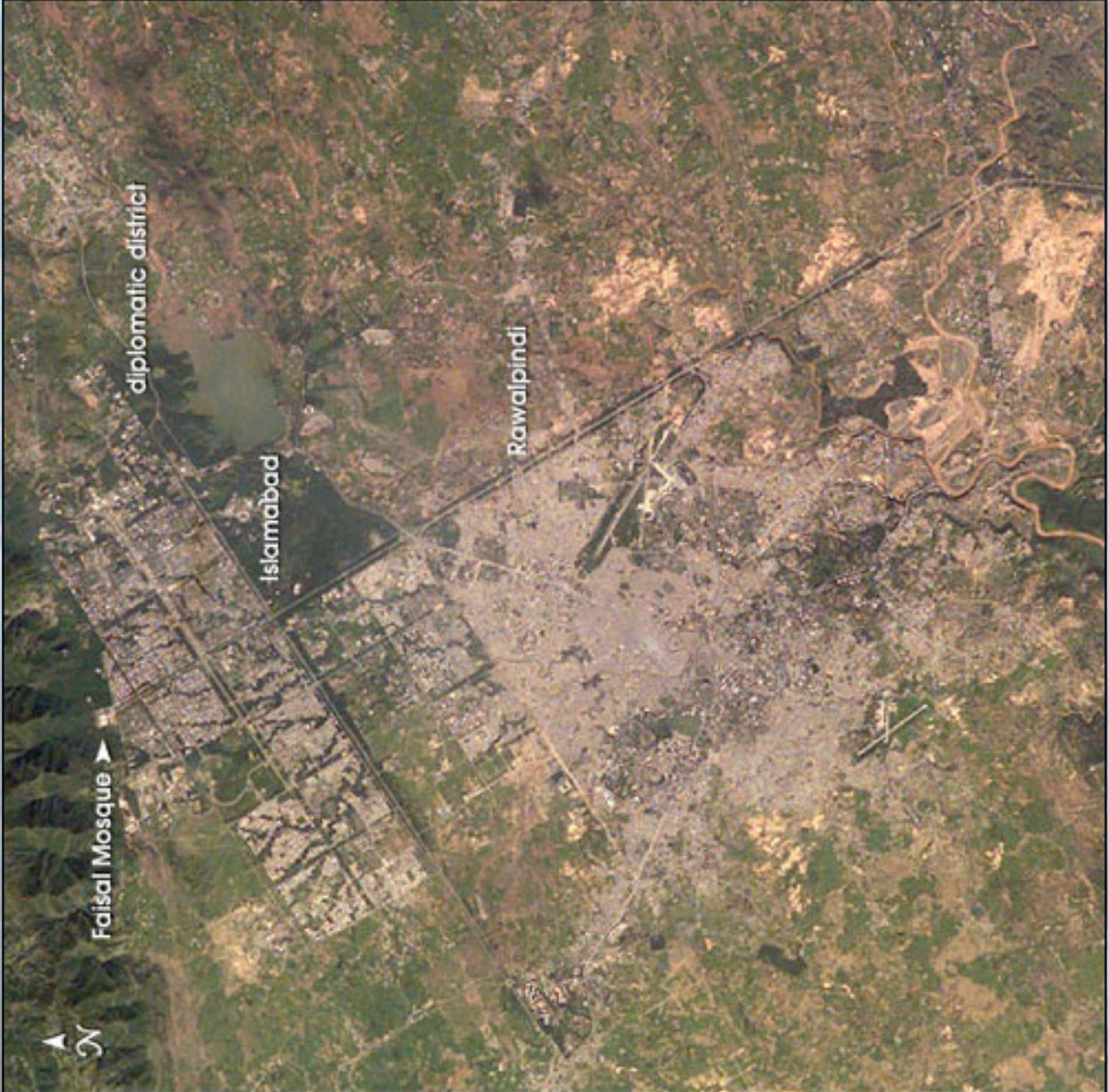
# Who Are We ?



ASIA







Faisal Mosque

Islamabad

Rawalpindi

diplomatic district





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# PINSTECH Accelerator

- Development of Accelerator Started: 1988
- 100keV Accelerator Completed on: 1989
- Upgraded to 250keV on: 1994
- Direct Recoil Experiments: 1994-1997
- Regenerative soot Experiment: 1998-Continued
- Simultaneous Emission & ExB Mass Diagnostics: 2004
- It serves as a multi purpose and multi user heavy ion accelerator facility.

# Accelerator Lab

Accelerator Tube



High Voltage Room



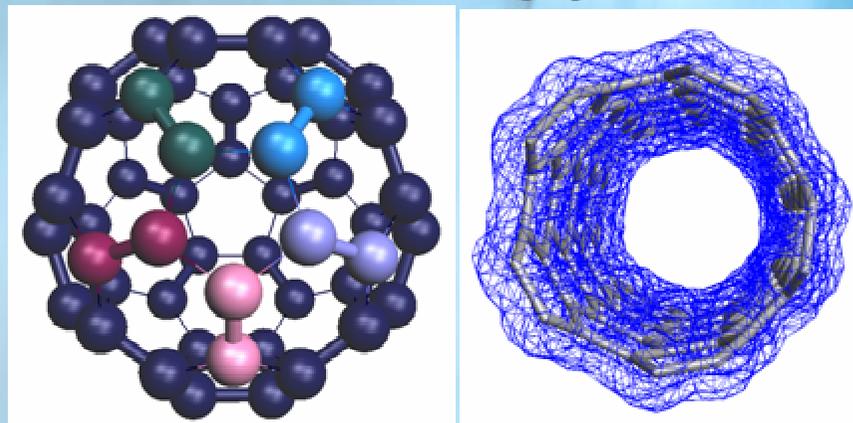
A bird's eye view of Accelerator Lab



- Direct Recoil Spectroscopy.
- ExB Velocity Filter based Diagnostics.
- Simultaneous Emission & Mass Diagnostics.
- Study of Carbon Cluster Formation by:
  - Duoplasmatron Ion Source
  - Cusp Hollow Cathode Ion Source.

# Carbon based Nanotechnology Lab

- Carbon Cluster & Fullerene Synthesis Studies.
- C<sub>60</sub> Fragmentation Studies.
- Atomic Resolution Microscopy.
- Computational & Theoretical Nanotechnology.



# Diagnostics



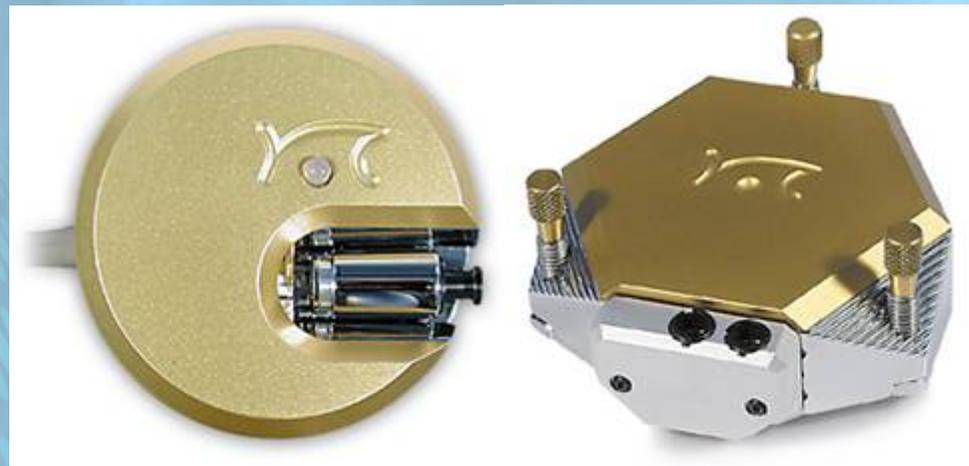
ExB Velocity Spectrometer



Emission Spectroscopy



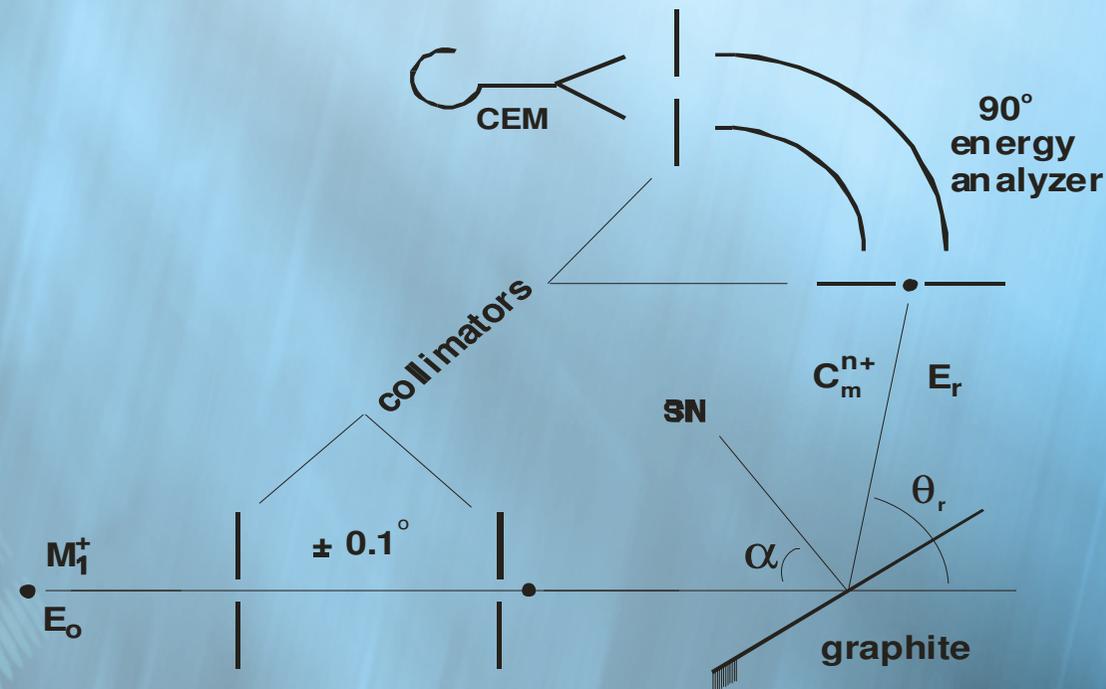
Direct Recoil Spectroscopy



Atomic Resolution Microscopy

$$E_{DR} = 4 \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} E_0 \cos^2 \theta_{DR}$$

# Direct Recoil Spectroscopy



# Direct Recoil Energy Spectra

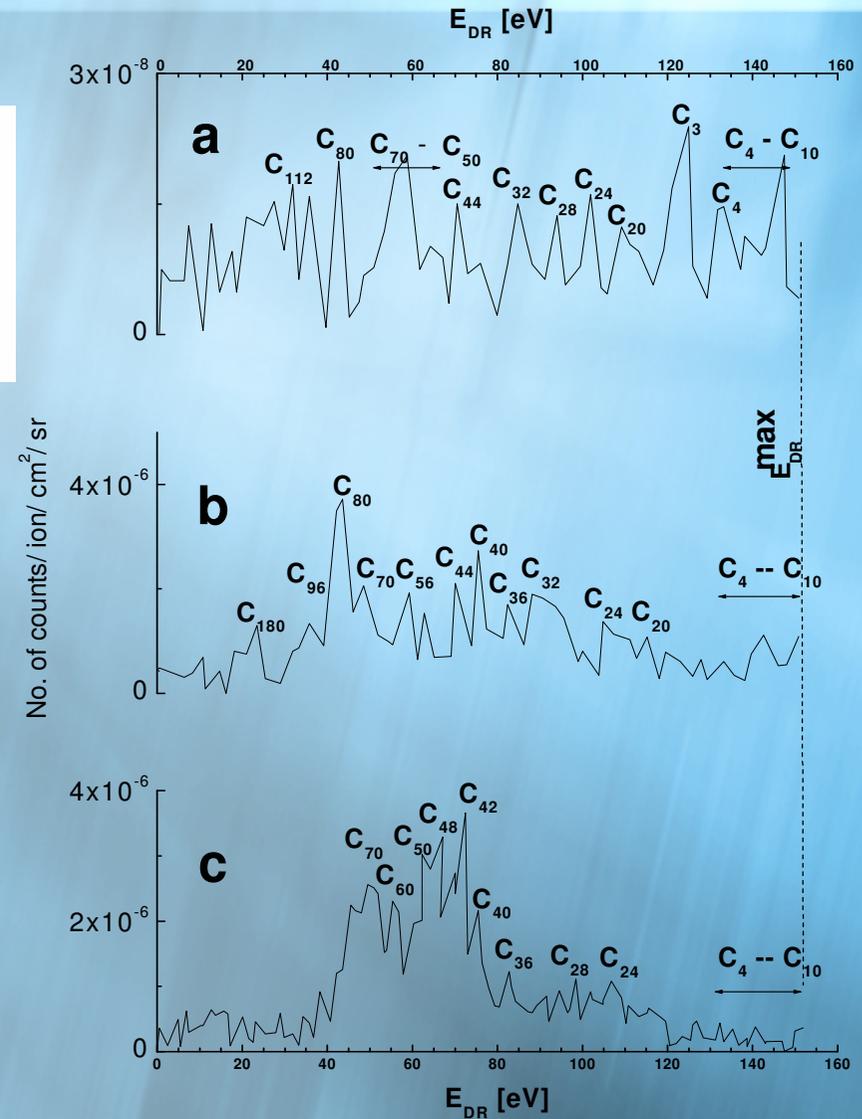
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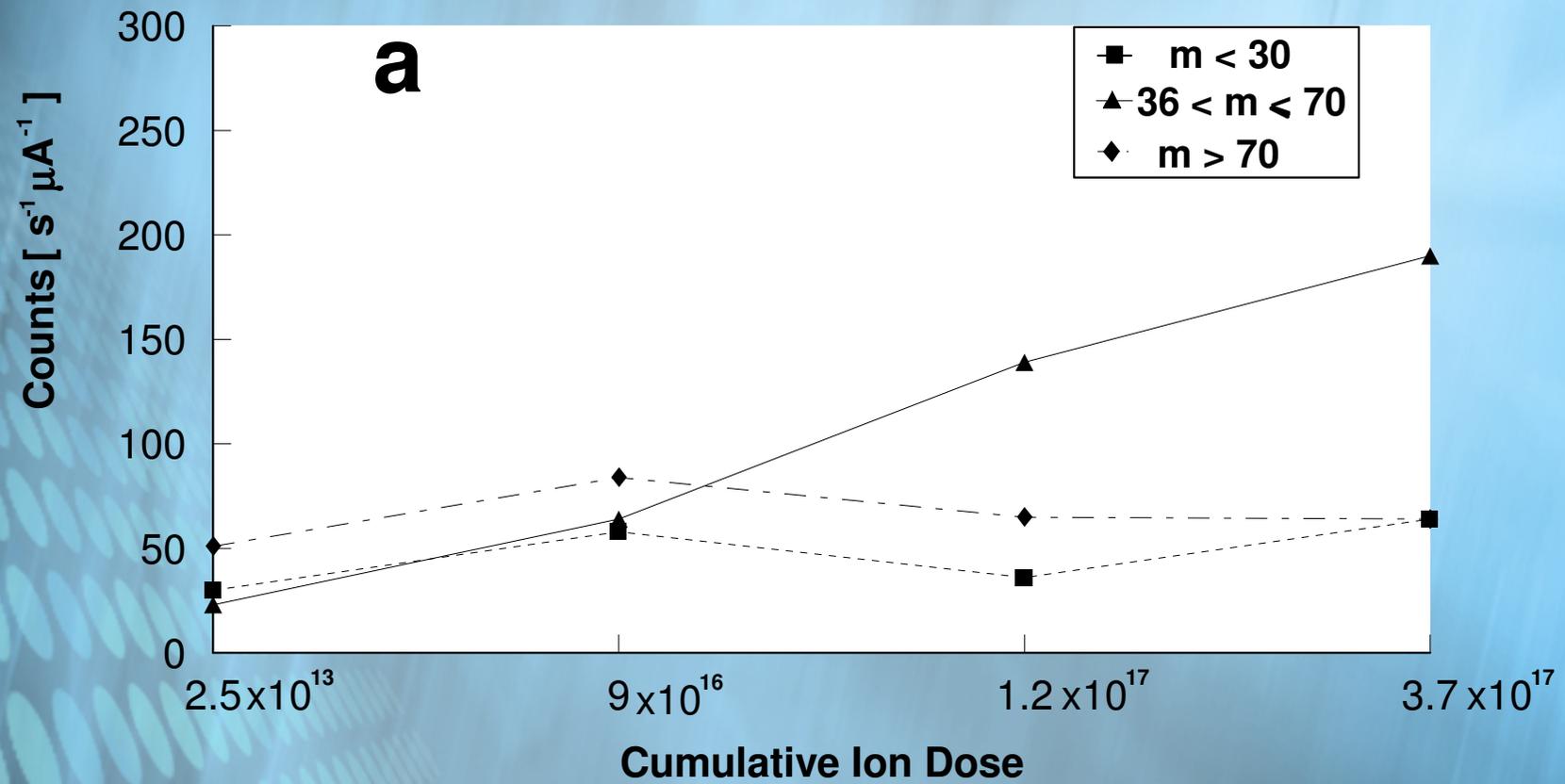
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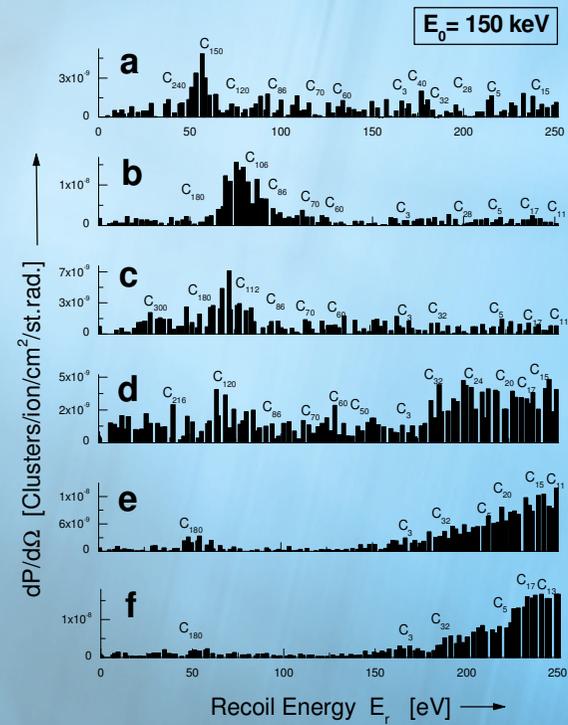
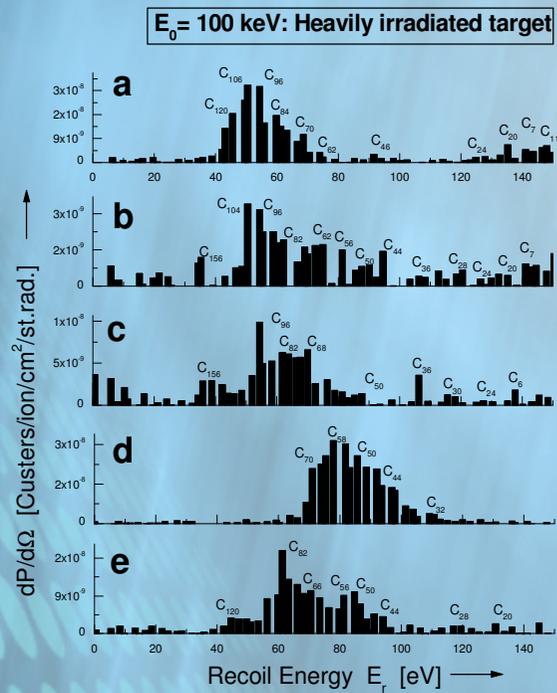
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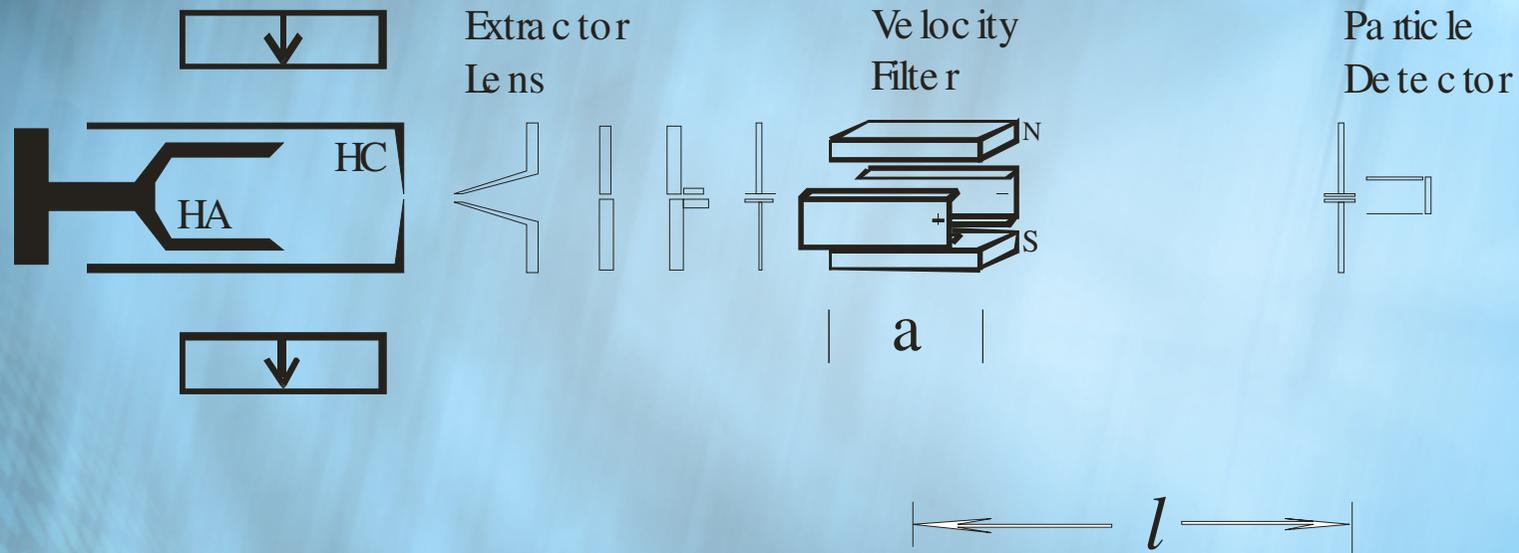
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# The dose effect on cluster formation and Fragmentation



# ExB Velocity Spectrometry



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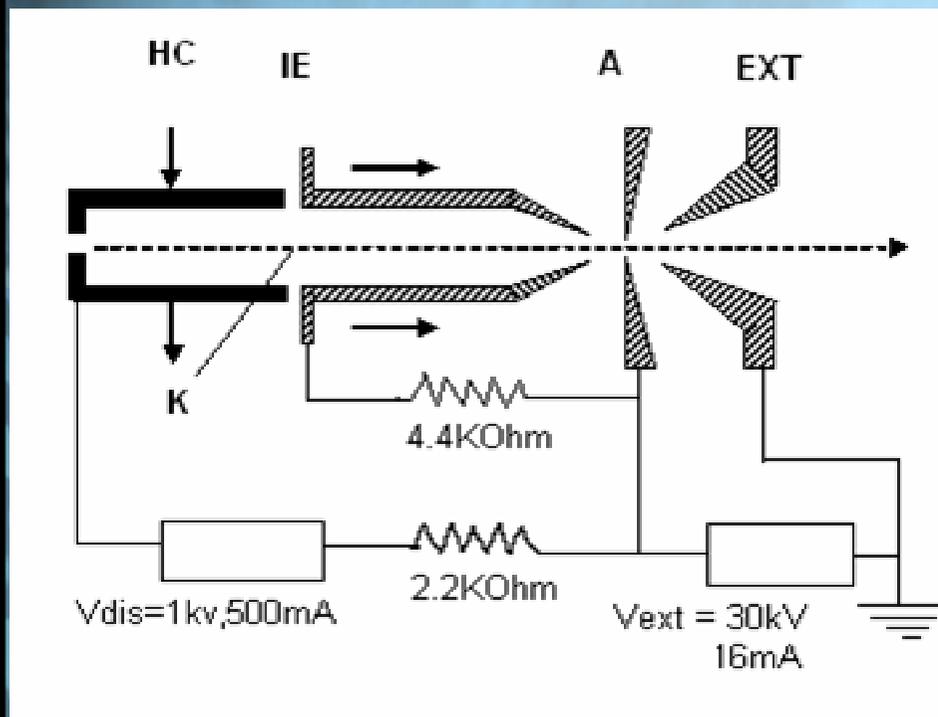
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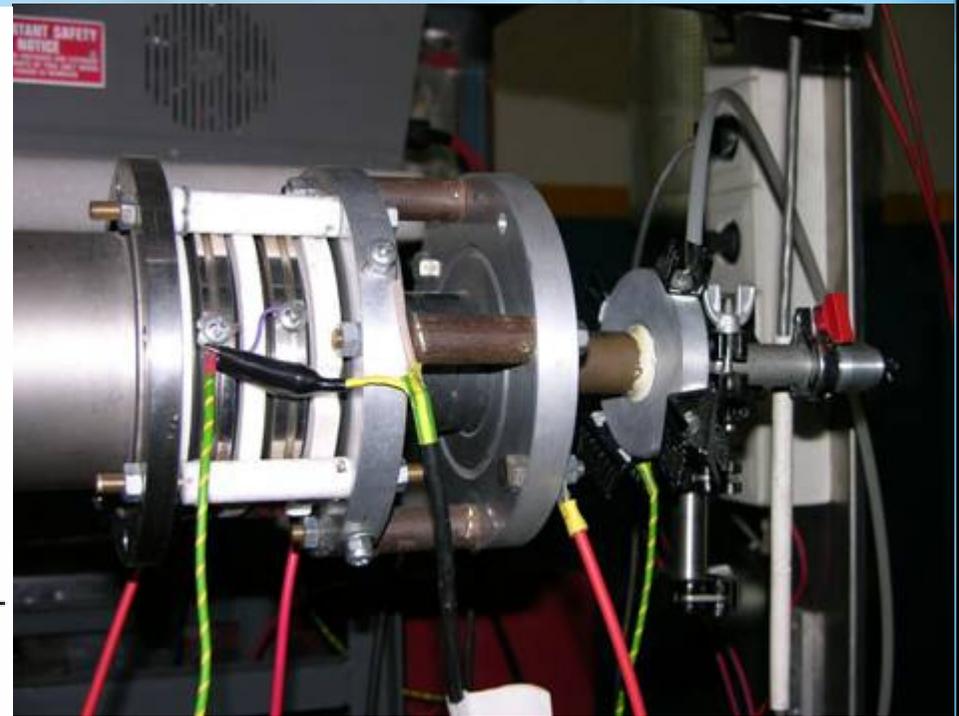
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# Duoplasmatron for Carbon Clusters



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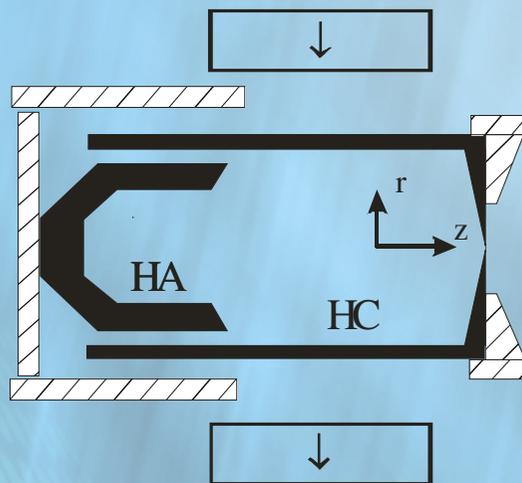


Cold Cathode Duoplasmatron Ion Source

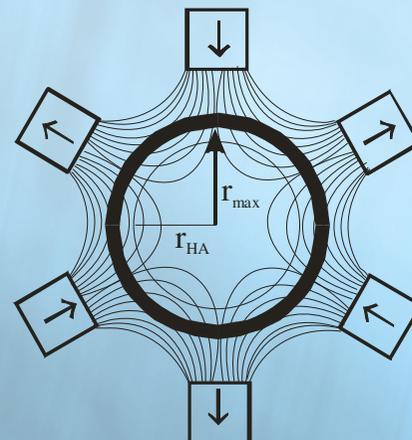
# Regenerative Sooting Discharge Source

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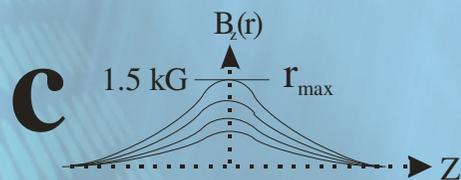
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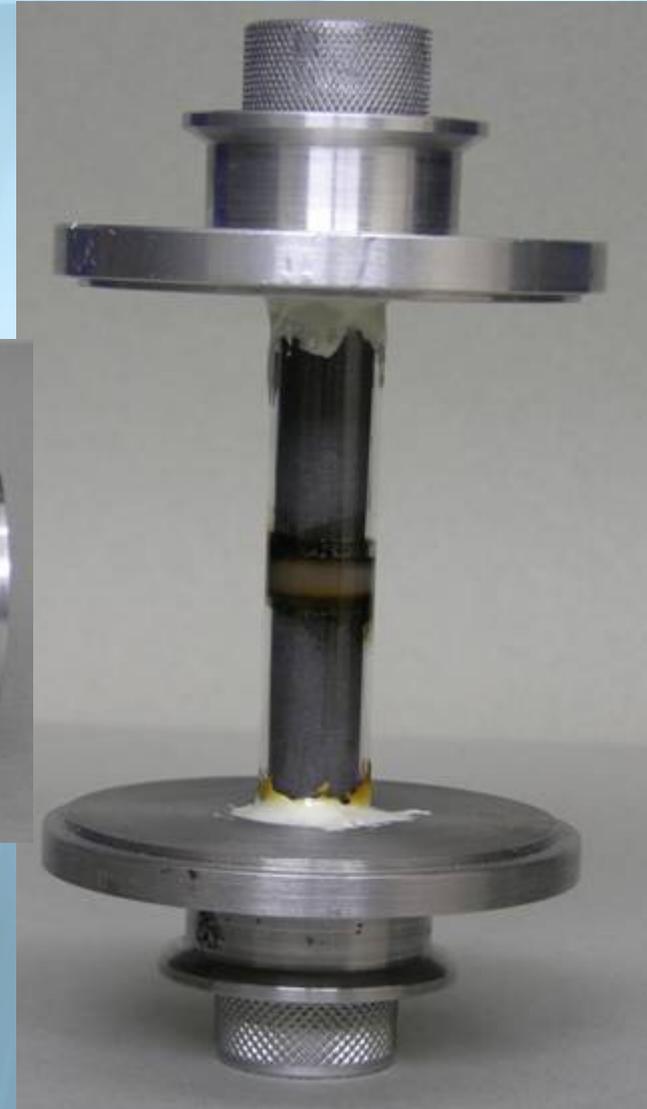
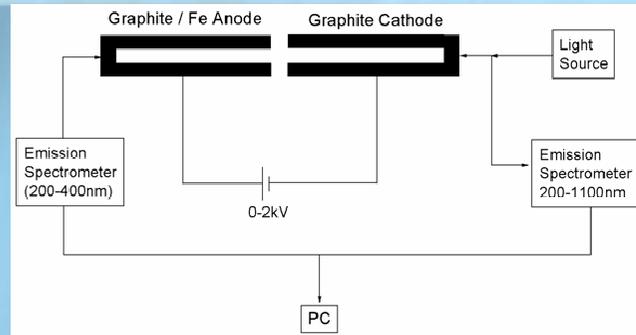
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# Dual Hollow Cathode Discharge



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## Carbon cluster formation in regenerative sputtering plasmas

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Rapid Note

## Emission of carbon clusters from sooting plasma

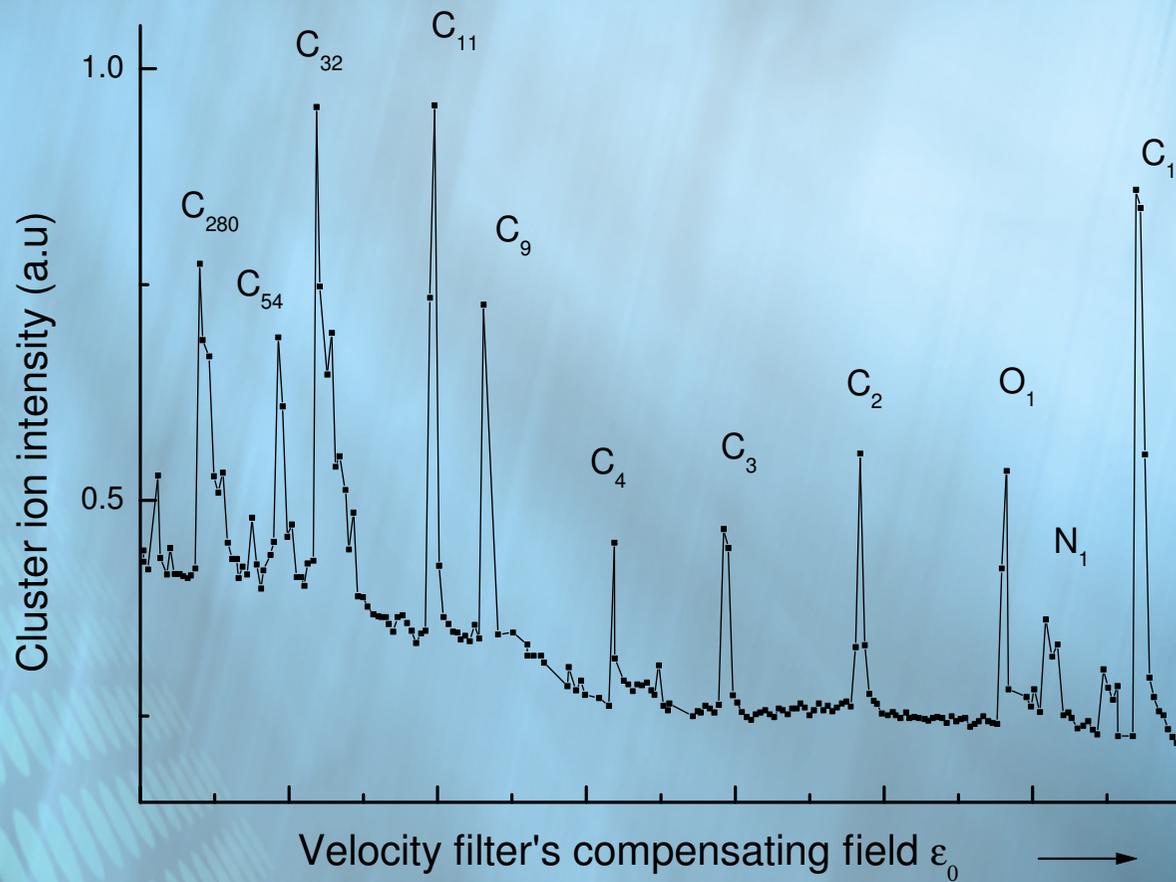
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## Formation of CN in N<sub>2</sub> + He discharges in graphite hollow cathodes

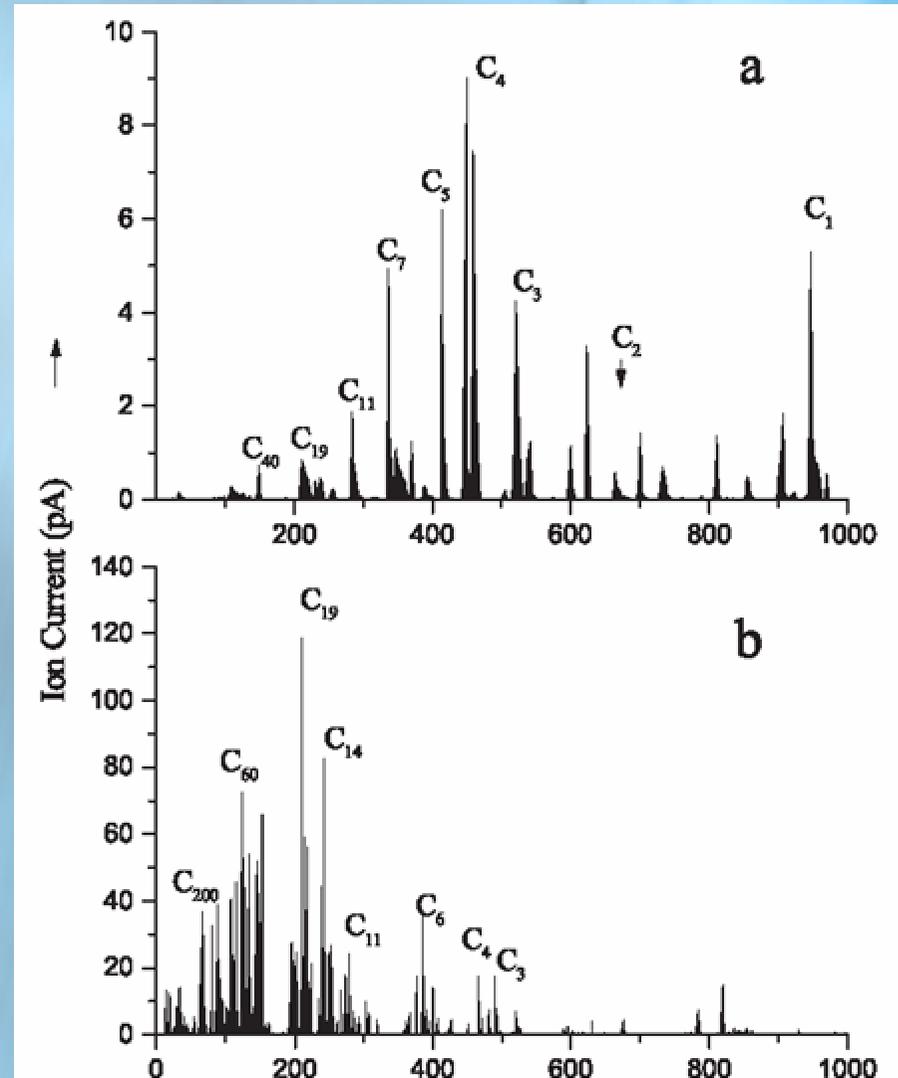
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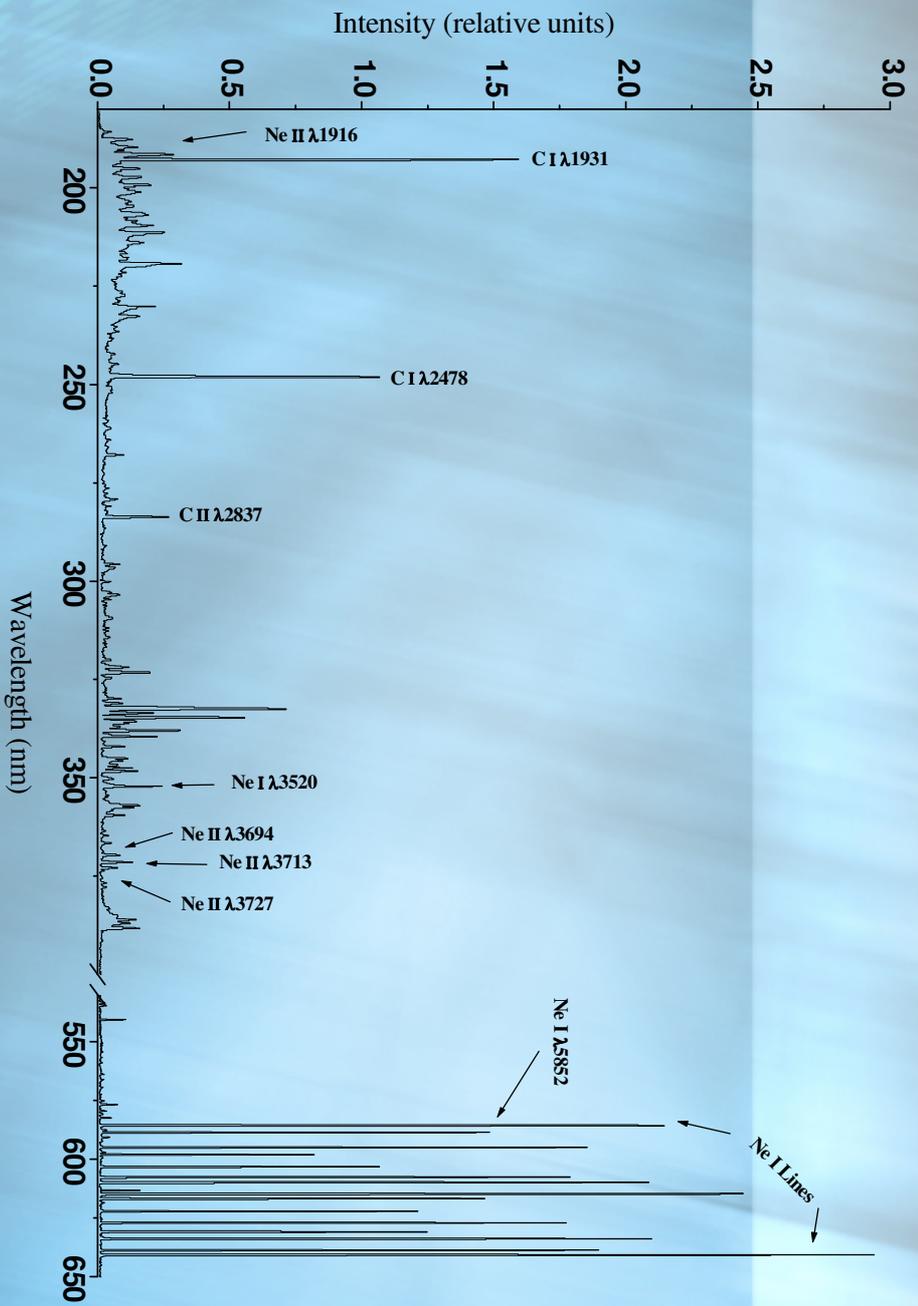
# Velocity Spectrum



# Transition from mild to well sooted discharge

- (a) A mildly sooting discharge
- (b) A well- sooted discharge





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## Spectroscopy of the regenerative soot

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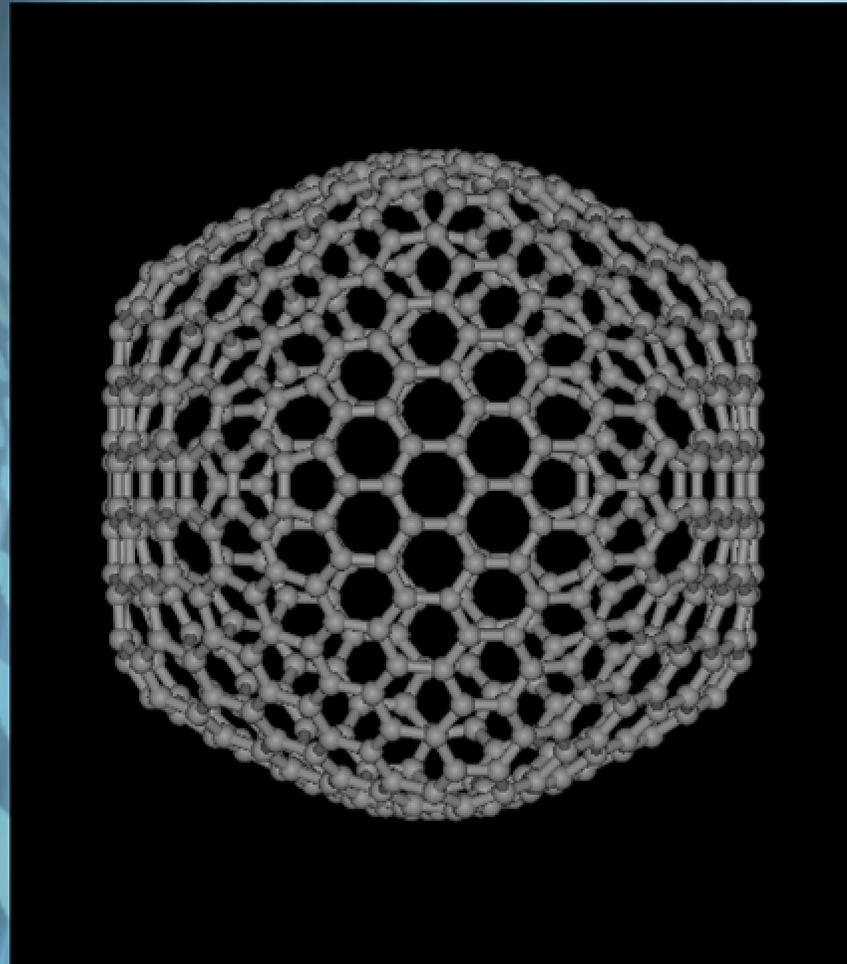
# Comparison between DRS and Velocity Spectrometry

<b>Direct Recoil Spectroscopy</b>	<b>Velocity Analysis</b>
DRS provides recoiling clusters energy spectrum from which masses are deduced.	Cluster mass is directly available from the velocity spectra.
The mass identification depends on the resolution of energy spectrometer	Resolution can be improved by increasing the extraction energy or the drift length.
The evolution of clusters on the bombarded surface can be monitored as a function of time and ion dose.	The cluster evolution when monitored continually provides the parametric dependence of the regenerative soot.
The technique is limited to the heavy ion bombarded targets and has a limited utility as a general mass diagnostic tool.	It is a general technique and can be employed to masses varying from low to very heavy ones.

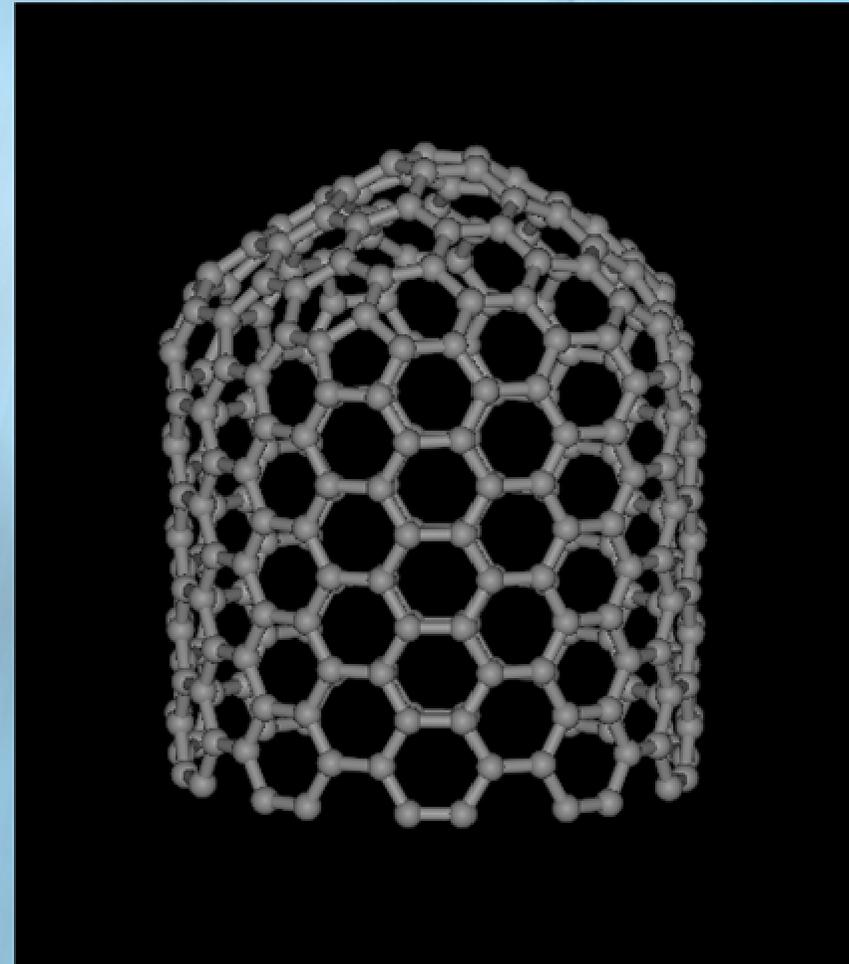
# Future Work

- Development of Improved Resolution ExB Velocity Spectrometer.
- C<sub>60</sub> Fragmentation Studies:
  - Sonoluminescence.
  - Microwave ECR Plasma Sources.
- RF Ion Sources.
- Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry.
- Thin Film Coating & Atomic Manipulation.
- Use of Synchrotron Radiation for Fullerene Research at SESAME.

# Carbon Clusters



$C_{540}$  Fullerene



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# Continuum elastic model of fullerenes and the sphericity of the carbon onion shells

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