Targets' development for SHE Research at GANIL

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France has now the chance to contribute notably to SHE research with the unprecedented high intensity beams from the superconducting linear accelerator (LINAG) of the new SPIRAL2 infrastructure at GANIL in conjunction with the "Super Separator Spectrometer" $(S^3)^1$. In order to cope with the very low production rate of the rare events, the beam intensities will be higher by a factor of five to ten compared to the present ones. Then, a major experimental concern is the behavior of thin targets under these highly intense heavy ion beams.

We propose to report firstly briefly on the envisaged experimental program² and the technical developments of S³ which includes a two-stage separator (momentum achromat followed by a mass spectrometer) coupled to the implantation-decay station SIRIUS or to a gas catcher⁴. Secondly, we will detail the targets' development including the S³ targets stations with its appropriate instruments⁵ to check the integrity of the material and the necessary studies for targets' fabrication and characterization.

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