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Beam times are selected and allocated according to specific scientific

programs*, such as iPAC or CORA IBER. Further information about these

The radiation biology platform is devoted to the studies of ion beams

effects on biological systems. The platform includes a comprehensive and

state-of-the-art L2 cell culture room and a biochemistry laboratory,

allowing hosted teams to perform various radiation biology experiments.

Furthermore, the platform can be adapted for special requirements such

Irradiation with ion beams are performed at the GANIL facility, 50 m from

the radiation biology platform, which makes the transfer of irradiated

samples easy and quick. A remotely controlled sample holder allows the

sequential irradiation of 23 windows of 25 cm2, including flasks, tubes

and slides. Most experiments are run with a carbon ion beam at a kinetic

energy of 95 MeV/u (LET in water is about 25 keV/μm) at a low fluence

(low dose). Other ion beams could be also delivered for specific

requirements. PMMA devices can be used to degrade to beam energy in

order to increase the linear energy tranfer of ions. For each experiment, a

dedicated team of physicists from the CIMAP laboratory is involved in the

[1] Durantel, F. et al. Dosimetry for Radiobiology Experiments at GANIL. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics

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beam tuning and specific biological dosimetry [1].



The Center for Interdisciplinary Research with Heavy Ions (CIRIL) is the platform for all the interdisciplinary experiments carried out with the beams of the GANIL (Large National Accelerator of Heavy Ions). Since 1982, this platform, managed by the CIMAP laboratory (Research Center on Ions, Materials and Photonics), aims to welcome experimenters from all over the world, to ensure the development of equipment adapted to proposed experiments (irradiation chambers, sample holders, in-situ analysis devices, dosimetry, etc.) and to maintain the 4 beam lines, covering a wide range of energy: ARIBE (keV), IRRSUD (0.3-1 MeV / A), IRASME (4-13 MeV / A) and IRABAT (24-95 MeV / A).

programs are available online*.

as hypoxic conditions, etc...

Room D1 for Radiation - Biology

12,5 cm² Flasks:

25 cm² (X23 positions)

Tubes: 0,5 ml 1,5 ml

2 ml

48 wells (9 wells available) Plates: 96 wells (36 wells available)

384 wells (264 wells available)





Cell cultures lab

located within the INB secure area facilitating cell transfer between irradiation room and cell culture lab

























