Calcium Target for use during PREX

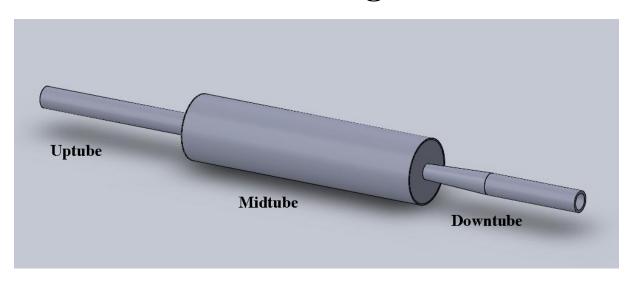
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CREX ⁴⁸Ca Target Details



- $1g/cm^2$ ($\sim 6.5mm$ thick $\Rightarrow 6.2\%$ X₀) isotopically pure ⁴⁸Ca puck. Cost est. \$400k - \$500k (can lease for \$10,000/year according to Dave Meekins)
- Note that the ⁴⁸Ca puck from E08014 (which Dave still has) closely matches our requirements.

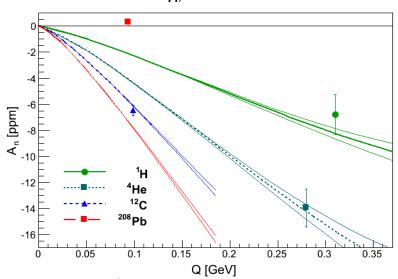


Why Calcium-40 for PREX?

- Measure beam-normal, single-spin asymmetry (A_n)
- Perform thermal stress test at $150\mu A$ (proposed CREX current)



40 Ca A_n Measurement



- No calculations yet (C. Horowitz and X. Roca Maza agreed to do these at PAVI)
- If coulomb distortions and dispersion corrections do not play strong role here, then expect $A_n^{Ca} \sim 7 \text{ppm at } \sqrt{Q^2} \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}$
- What thickness ⁴⁰Ca target do we want for this publishable physics measurement? Balance rate and precision
- Note we also want this same target for CREX—to measure A_n^{Ca} at $\sqrt{Q^2} \sim 0.15$... to accompany our ⁴⁸Ca A_n meas. at same Q^2

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Thermal Stress Test

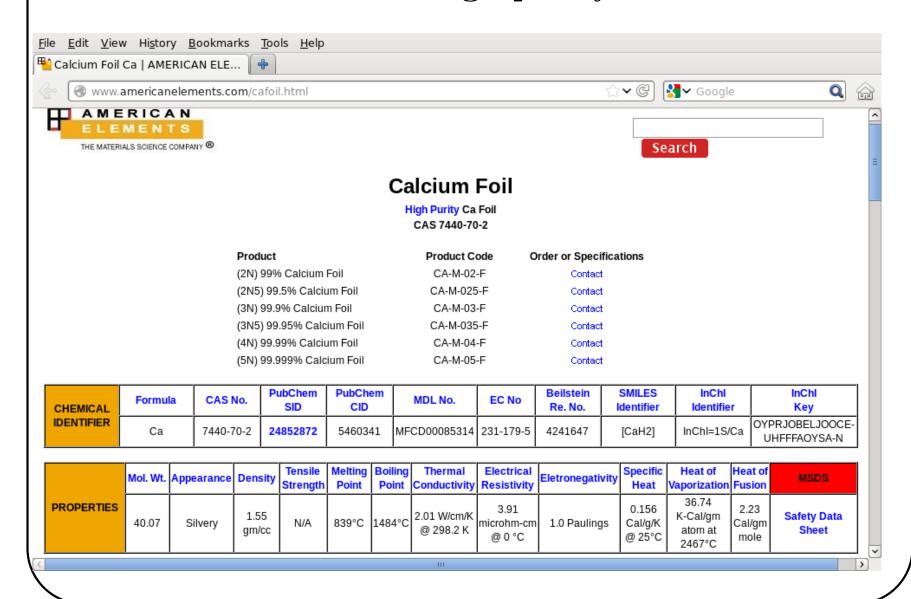
- For this test, we want the full 1g/cm² thickness of CREX production target
- Need to think about best way to mount target for meaningful tests:
 - -Windows/cell walls? Are these important for the power/heat loads? Note we will not be able to fully replicate CREX cell
 - -Mimic CREX's thermal coupling to frame (most important?)
 - -Run long enough to achieve steady state at 150 μ A. Do we need any special diagnostics here?



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American Elements: High purity Calcium-40 foil

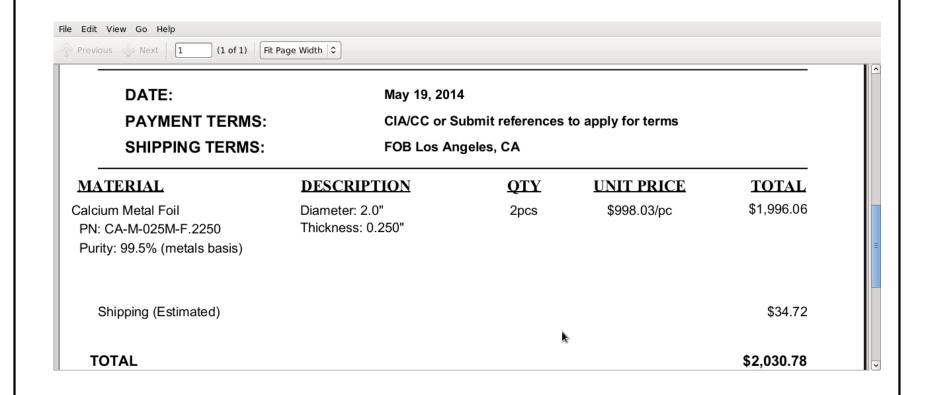




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American Elements Quote



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Summary Discussion

- High chemical purity Ca-40 targets are cheap. \$1k for thick puck; Need to contact other vendors for thinner target possibilities
- Is 99.5% pure good enough? Probably, but what are impurities? How does vendor deal with oxidation (packaging/shipping)?
- How will we deal with the oxidation problem? Various options discussed with Dave here: Store in mineral oil...can install without windows, clean oil off and pump-down, ...
- How many targets to purchase for this? 2 thick, 2 thin
- What else?