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$^{19}\text{F}(\text{p},\gamma)$: Putting a Lid on the CNO Cycle AARON COU-
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MICHAEL WIESCHER, University of Notre Dame — The cold CNO cycle in mas-
sive stars ($M > 3M_{\odot}$) has long been considered a closed cycle. The $^{19}\text{F}(\text{p},\gamma)^{20}\text{Ne}$
reaction represents the only possible path for breakout and depletion of catalytic
material. In addition, the corresponding production of Ne would be important for
later stellar burning cycles. The strong background from $^{19}\text{F}(\text{p},\alpha_2\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ has pre-
vented detailed measurements of the $^{19}\text{F}(\text{p},\gamma)^{20}\text{Ne}$ reaction from being made in the
past. A new series of measurements investigating low energy resonances and inter-
ference terms have been made at Notre Dame. The results and predictions of the
new resonance parameters and their effects on the CNO cycle will be discussed.

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