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Shape coexistence in neutron-rich odd-mass S isotopes TEA MI-JATOVIC, NOBUYUKI KOBAYASHI, HIRO IWASAKI, CHARLES LOELIUS, KENNETH WHITMORE, ROBERT ELDER, ALEXANDRA GADE, DANIEL BAZIN, DIRK WEISSHAAR, PETER BENDER, JOE BELARGE, ERIC LUN-DERBERG, BRANDON ELMAN, BRENDEN LONGFELLOW, National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, Michigan State University, USA, ALFRED DE-WALD, University of Cologne, Germany, THORYN HAYLETT, University of York, United Kingdom, MICHAEL MATHRY, SEBASTIAN HEIL, TU Darmstadt, Germany — Collective motions in atomic nuclei at low excitation energies have been characterized by the ground-state shape as a single basis. This picture can be altered in exotic nuclei with unusual proton-to-neutron ratios if the nuclear shape can change drastically at low spin. Recently, there has been an increasing interest for shape-coexistence phenomena in neutron-rich S isotopes and studies suggested fairly large collectivity in ^{40,42,44}S isotopes. We will discuss the search for isomeric or long-lived states in ⁴⁵S for which no excited states are known in the literature and the pursuit to fully characterize the band structure of the low-lying states in 43,45 S, which provide key information to establish a comprehensive picture of the shape coexistence in this region. Direct model-independent measurements of the ^{43,45}S excited states were realized by applying the Recoil Distance Method with the TRIPLEX Plunger in conjunction with GRETINA to fast rare isotope beams at the NSCL.

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