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Measurement of the 26Al(d,p)27Al Reaction to Constrain the 26Al(p,gamma) Reaction Rate STEVEN PAIN, ORNL, ORRUBA/RIBENS COLLABORATION — Detailed observations of the 1809-keV γ ray from the beta decay of ²⁶Al within the galaxy has provided an insight into ongoing nucleosynthesis. Understanding the abundance of ²⁶Al requires knowledge of the production and destruction rates for ²⁶Al. For temperatures where the ground-state and metastable state of 26 Al are decoupled, the 26 Al $(p,\gamma)^{27}$ Si reaction, which is determined by states near the proton threshold in ²⁷Si, contributes to the destruction rate. Though the strength of many of these resonances have been measured directly, the information there remain uncertainties for the lowest resonances, which are relevant for giant star temperatures. We have measured mirror states in ²⁷Al to inform the ²⁷Si structure, via the 26 Al(d,p) 27 Al reaction in inverse kinematics at the HRIBF. A beam of ~ 5 million 26 Al per second impinged on a $\sim 150 \ \mu g/cm^2 \ CD_2$ target. Proton ejectiles were detected in the SIDAR and ORRUBA silicon detector arrays. Details of the experimental setup and results will be presented. Work supported in part by U.S. Department of Energy and National Science Foundation.

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