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The MIT Accelerator Laboratory for Diagnostic Development for OMEGA, Z and the NIF R. PETRASSO, M. GATU JOHNSON, E. ARM-STRONG, D. OROZCO, H.G. RINDERKNECHT, J. ROJAS HERRERA, M. ROSENBERG, H. SIO, A. ZYLSTRA, J. FRENJE, C.K. LI, F.H. SEGUIN, MIT, K. HAHN, B. JONES, C.L. RUIZ, SNL, T.C. SANGSTER, LLE — The MIT Linear Electrostatic Ion Accelerator¹ generates D-D and D-3He fusion products, which are used for development of nuclear diagnostics for OMEGA, Z, and the NIF. Fusion reaction rates around 10⁶ s⁻¹ are routinely achieved with this accelerator, and fluence and energy of the fusion products are accurately characterized. Diagnostics developed and calibrated at this facility include CR-39 based charged-particle spectrometers, neutron detectors, and the particle Time-Of-Flight (pTOF) CVD-diamond-based bang time detector. The accelerator is also a vital tool in the education of graduate and undergraduate students at MIT. This work was supported in part by SNL, DOE, LLE and LLNL.

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