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Particle- $\gamma$  Coincidence Measurements of Neutron Transfer Reactions on Neutron-rich Nuclei<sup>1</sup> MICAH JOHNSON, A. KRONENBERG, ORAU, D.W. BARDAYAN, J.C. BLACKMON, C.D. NESARAJA, D.C. RAD-FORD, M.S. SMITH, ORNL, J.A. CIZEWSKI, K.L. JONES, S.D. PAIN, J.S. THOMAS, Rutgers University, J.A. HOWARD, R.L. KOZUB, B.A. SCHWER, Tennessee Tech., R.J. LIVESAY, Colorado School of Mines — Neutron-transfer measurements with (d,p) reactions provide important nuclear structure information such as excitation energies, angular momenta and spectroscopic strengths for neutron single-particle states. Such information can also be used to inform neutroncapture rates for nuclei far from stability, where direct measurements of the  $(n,\gamma)$ reaction are not possible because of the short life-times. In particular, neutroncapture measurements on neutron-rich nuclei are important for understanding astrophysical phenomena such as r-process nucleosynthesis. Using inverse kinematics for (d,p) reactions enables neutron-transfer measurements to be made using beams of neutron-rich nuclei, which cannot be made into targets. Measurements of  $\gamma$ -rays using high-resolution  $\gamma$ -ray detectors in coincidence with (d,p) reaction protons enables more accurate energy determination of excitations and provides further information on  $\gamma$ -ray strengths, which are important when extracting direct contributions to neutron-capture rates. Prospects for  $(d, p\gamma)$  measurements in inverse kinematics with neutron-rich beams at the HRIBF at ORNL will be discussed.

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