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Measurements with ^7Be beams at the HRIBF¹ D.W. BARDAYAN, J.C. BLACKMON, J.J. DAS, C.D. NESARAJA, M.S. SMITH, D.W. STRACENER, ORNL, K.Y. CHAE, Z. MA, U. Tenn., A.E. CHAMPAGNE, R. FITZGERALD, D.W. VISSER, UNC, U. GREIFE, R.J. LIVESAY, Colorado School of Mines, V. GUIMARAES, U. Sao Paulo, J. HOWARD, R.L. KOZUB, Tenn. Tech. U., M.S. JOHNSON, ORAU, K.L. JONES, S.D. PAIN, J.S. THOMAS, Rutgers, P.D. PARKER, Yale — A ^7Be beam has been used at the HRIBF to study important reactions in stellar burning. Precise knowledge of the $^7\text{Be}(p,\gamma)^8\text{B}$ rate is important for interpreting solar neutrino flux observations. A direct measurement of the $^7\text{Be}(p,\gamma)^8\text{B}$ cross section is being made by bombarding a H_2 gas target with a ^7Be beam and counting ^8B recoils at the focal plane of the DRS mass spectrometer. The $^3\text{He}(^3\text{He},2p)^4\text{He}$ reaction also occurs in stellar burning, but interpretation of low energy measurements have been hindered by a surprisingly strong low-energy rise in the cross section. This rise could, in part, be due to broad ^6Be resonances. We have studied $^2\text{H}(^7\text{Be},t)^6\text{Be}$ to search for any such broad ^6Be levels. Initial results from these measurements will be presented.

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