

Abstract Submitted  
for the HAW14 Meeting of  
The American Physical Society

**$A \geq 62$  Superallowed Fermi  $\beta$ -decays and Future Prospects with GRIFFIN** RYAN DUNLOP, Univ of Guelph, THE GRIFFIN COLLABORATION — Superallowed Fermi  $\beta$  decays of  $A \geq 62$  nuclei involve relatively large nucleus dependent isospin-symmetry-breaking corrections. The magnitudes of these corrections are of great interest, and the  $A \geq 62$  decays provide a demanding test of theoretical models. Branching ratio measurements for these decays involve a unique challenge as they have large  $Q_{EC}$ , and hence a high density of available states in the daughter nucleus, resulting in the Pandemonium effect in which weak feeding is distributed over a large number of states and is difficult to observe. Therefore, high-efficiency detectors are of paramount importance in determining the branching ratio for these decays. The  $8\pi$  spectrometer at TRIUMF's Isotope Separator and Accelerator (ISAC), has been used to establish high-precision branching ratios for  $^{62}\text{Ga}$  and  $^{74}\text{Rb}$ . The newly commissioned GRIFFIN spectrometer at ISAC provides an efficiency 17 times higher than the  $8\pi$  for 1 MeV  $\gamma$ -rays, and larger gains at higher energies which are of particular importance in resolving the Pandemonium effect. The recent branching ratio measurement for the superallowed Fermi  $\beta$ -decay of  $^{74}\text{Rb}$  will be discussed, as well as the importance of GRIFFIN for future superallowed  $\beta$  decay studies at ISAC.

Ryan Dunlop  
Univ of Guelph

Date submitted: 01 Jul 2014

Electronic form version 1.4