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1. Nuclear Physics Publications for April*

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Collective rotation of an oblate nucleus at very high spin

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Shape staggering of midshell mercury isotopes from in-source laser spectroscopy compared with density-functional-theory and Monte Carlo shell-model calculations

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Antisymmetrized, translationally invariant theory of the nucleon optical potential

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β decay of ^{127}Cd and excited states in ^{127}In

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Effect of the Coulomb energy on Skyrmions

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β decay and β -delayed neutron decay of the $N=82$ nucleus $^{131}_{49}\text{In}_{82}$

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Shell evolution approaching the $N=20$ island of inversion: Structure of ^{29}Mg

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Jet fragmentation transverse momentum measurements from di-hadron correlations in $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV pp and $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV p -Pb collisions

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Charged-particle pseudorapidity density at mid-rapidity in p -Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV

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First Measurements of the Double-Polarization Observables F , P , and H in ω Photoproduction off Transversely Polarized Protons in the N^* Resonance Region

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Prominence of Pairing in Inclusive ($p,2p$) and (p,pn) Cross Sections from Neutron-Rich Nuclei

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2. News to Report

a. IOP Nuclear Physics Group Early Career Prize Winner 2018

Dr Robert Shearman (pictured below) has been awarded the IOP Nuclear Physics Group Early Career Prize 2018.

Rob graduated from the University of Surrey in 2018. His nomination is for making very significant contributions to the fields of nuclear structure and radionuclide metrology. His work has acted as an important link between applications of nuclear science and curiosity-led nuclear structure-based research. Rob contributed to the development of the National Nuclear Array (NANA) at NPL for primary radionuclide standardisation and in parallel analysed data on experimental fission yields and beta-delayed neutron emission from the most neutron-rich rhodium and silver isotopes.

On behalf of the IOP NPG committee congratulations to Rob and a big thanks to Dan Doherty for nominating him. As part of the award Rob will give a presentation at the INPC in Glasgow later this year.



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b. Nuclear Fission and Structure of Exotic Nuclei Workshop

The 54th ASRC International Workshop Sakura-2019 “Nuclear Fission and Structure of Exotic Nuclei” was held at Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC), of Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA), in Tokai, Japan on 25-28th March, 2019.

This was the 8th workshop at ASRC, co-organized by Prof. Andrei Andreyev from the Nuclear Physics Group of the University of York and his colleague Dr. Katsuhisa Nishio from JAEA. Close to 70 participants from across the world attended the event, delivering 50 talks over 3 days. The meeting was mainly devoted to new experimental and theoretical achievements in fission, super-heavy nuclei, nuclear reactions and structure of exotic nuclei. Especially, the JAEA group is driving a dedicated program using the very rare target material, einsteinium-254 (half-life 275 days), for which new results and new proposals were discussed.



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c. STFC-funded Global Challenge discussions continue at iThemba LABS, South Africa

The 2nd edition of the workshop on Advanced Nuclear Science and Technology Techniques (ANSTT) was held at iThemba LABS in March. The 3-day workshop focused on metrology and applications, environmental measurements and nuclear structure studies at iThemba LABS with one day being dedicated to each topic. Round-table discussions on each of the first two days helped to foster collaboration and develop plans for future work and joint PhD student programmes.

60 participants attended from countries including Botswana, Cameroon, Tanzania and Nigeria with Eswatini appearing on the list of countries for the first time. Some participants were funded to attend by the IAEA. The UK delegation included

representatives from the Universities of Brighton, Liverpool, Surrey and York as well as the National Physical Laboratory. The workshop was hosted by iThemba LABS and partially funded by the UK STFC's Global Challenge Research Fund.



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3. Outreach Activity

Binding Blocks (LEGO) Team Training

On Tuesday 4th June, this year's (LEGO) Binding Blocks Team Training Day is taking place at the National STEM Learning Centre. If you are interested, please sign up to the event through the link below. The event is particularly targeted to undergraduates and post-graduates who are interested in outreach, science communication, teaching, and/or nuclear physics research. Staff members are, however, very welcome to

participate as well!

https://york.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bruDohgdbXq5e4Z

There will also be opportunities to highlight your own workshops, please see the sign-up form for details. Participation, refreshments, and lunch is free.

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4. Media Interactions

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