# **Results from NA61/SHINE**

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# NA61 Physics Program - a) Heavy lons





Onset of deconfinement and search for the critical point of strongly interacting matter

extensive scan of system size and energy:



# NA61 Physics Program - b) Hadro-Production Measurements for Neutrino Experiments

 $\nu$ -beams for long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiments



T2K replica target at NA61 l=90 cm,  $\emptyset$ =2.6 cm,  $\lambda_{int}$  =1.9



(extension of  $\nu$ -program for LAGUNA-LBNO and US experiments (MINER $\nu$ A, MINOS, NO $\nu$ A) under discussion) reweighting of T2K beam MC to match NA61 measurements:



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# NA61 Physics Program - c) Hadro-Production Measurements for Air Shower Experiments



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## **Muons in UHE Air Showers**

number of muons depends on energy fraction of produced hadrons





moreover,  $p_{\rm T}$  distribution of parent meson determines radial distribution of muons at ground (given muon production height)

# NA61/SHINE Experiment at SPS

#### $\pi^-$ +C interaction at 350 GeV/c





- large acceptance  $\approx$  50% at  $p_T \leq 2.5 \, {\rm GeV/c}$
- momentum resolution:  $\sigma(\boldsymbol{\rho})/\boldsymbol{\rho}^2 \approx 10^{-4} ({\rm GeV/c})^{-1}$
- tracking efficiency: > 95%

## **Particle Identification**



example plots from p+C at 31 GeV/c (2007 data)

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## **Cross Section Measurements with NA61**

#### **Schematic of Beam Line:**



## **Cross Section Measurements with NA61**

production cross sections:

 $\sigma_{\rm prod} = \sigma_{\rm tot} - \sigma_{\rm qela} - \sigma_{\rm ela}$ 



# Analysis of 2007 data (p + C at 31 GeV/c)

#### three independent analyses:

- negative hadrons (model corr.)
- dE/dx-only at low p
- dE/dx and TOF at medium p

#### spectrum corrections

- acceptance ≥ 99%
- reconstruction efficiency  $\ge$  96%
- pion decay  $\leq 10\%$
- feed-down  $\leq 10\%$





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comparison to FLUKA2008.3b





comparison to UrQMD1.3.1



#### comparison to patched UrQMD1.3.1

(V. Uzhinsky, arXiv:1107.0374v1 [hep-ph])



comparison to Gheisha2002

# **Results on Kaon Production in p+C at 31 GeV/c** two-dimensional fit: K<sup>+</sup> Yield:



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# Analysis of $\pi^-$ +C data

- currently: charged hadrons (no PID)
- tracks from main vertex
- correct for
  - feed-down
  - secondary interaction
  - track loss

using MC, but *no* correction  $h^- \rightarrow \pi^-$ 

- fiducial  $\phi$  cuts for geometrical acceptance
- zero-bias data set (beam trigger) to correct min-bias data



# Analysis of $\pi^-$ +C data



#### define geometrical acceptance:

accept only tracks in  $\Phi$ -bins with  $\geq$ 90% efficiency.

example: positive tracks



# $\pi^-$ +C Correction and Uncertainties



(example: h<sup>-</sup>, 158 GeV/c)

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require |C-1| < 0.2 and sys.tot. < 20%

## Charged Hadron Production in $\pi^-$ +C at 158 GeV/c



 $p = 0.6 \dots 121 \text{ GeV/c}$  in steps of  $\lg p / (\text{GeV}/c) = 0.08$ 

## Charged Hadron Production in $\pi^-$ +C at 350 GeV/c



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# **Comparison to QGSJetll**



# **Comparison to Sibyll2.1**



# Comparison to UrQMD1.3.1 (patched)



# **Comparison to EPOS1.99**



# **Comparison to Fluka2011**



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# **Stay Tuned!**

p+C update

 $\rightarrow$  factor 10 more statistics

- π+C with dE/dx pid →(anti-)baryon production
- full p+p scan
- strange baryons
- \(\rho\_0\)-mesons
- K<sup>-</sup>+C interactions



#### expected baryon difference in $\pi$ +C



# **Summary of NA61 Results**

- $\pi^{\pm}$  and K spectra from p+C at 31 GeV/c
  - published
  - already used for T2K beam MC
  - FLUKA and UrQMD retuned
  - first preliminary  $K_s^0$ -yields (not shown today)
- charged hadron spectra from  $\pi^-$ +C at 158 and 350 GeV/c
  - preliminary
  - Iab-measurement of last stage of UHECR air showers
  - too few particles in models at high  $p_{\rm T}$
- $\pi^{\pm}$  and K spectra from p + p at 40, 80 and 158 GeV/c
  - preliminary
  - provides reference data for system size scan
  - extensive data set for CR model-tuning