



Status of the SPES project

Selective **P**roduction of **E**xotic **S**pecies

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On behalf of the **SPES Collaboration**

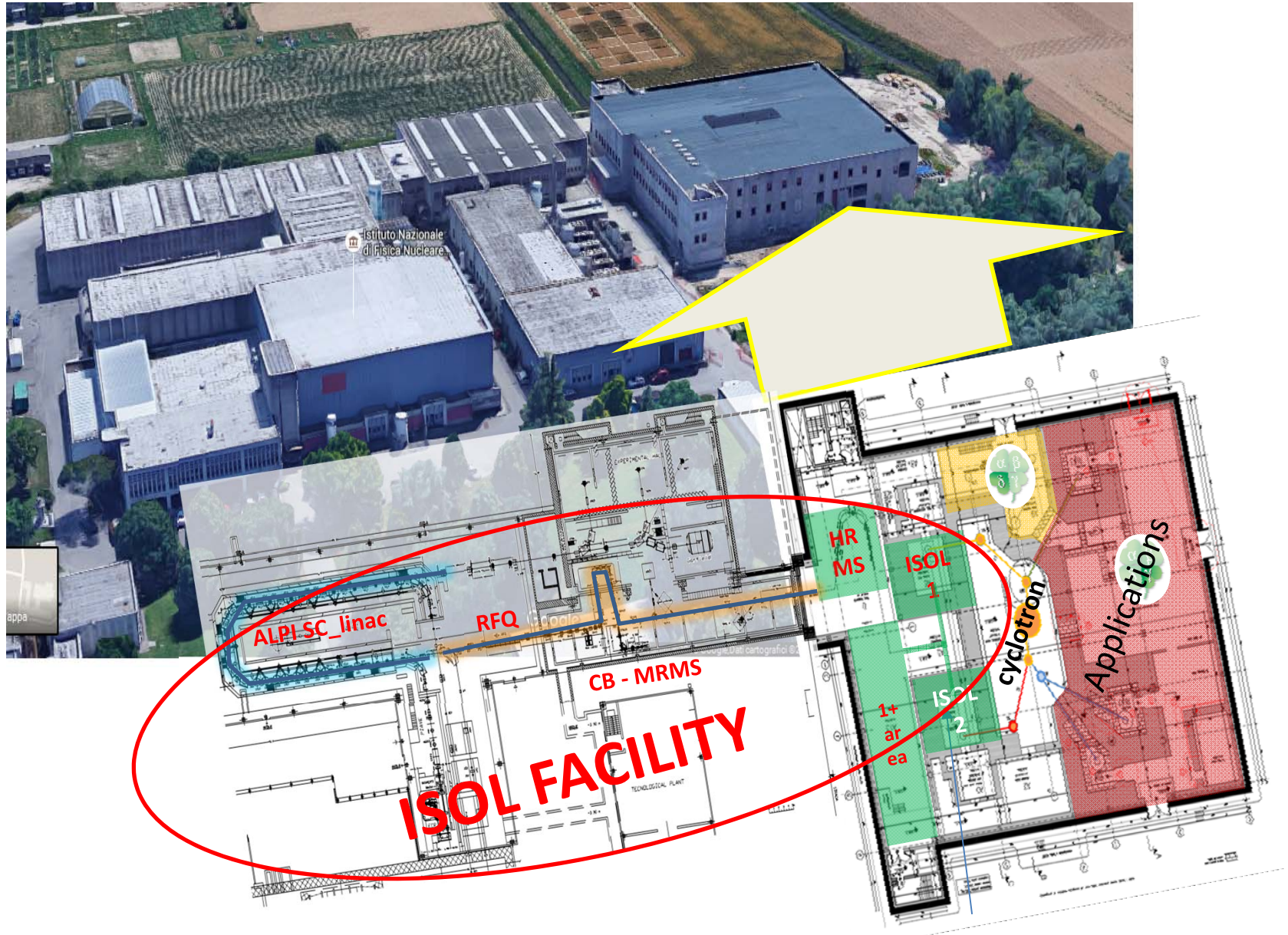


[GDS Topical Meeting: GDS coupling to auxiliary detection systems](#)

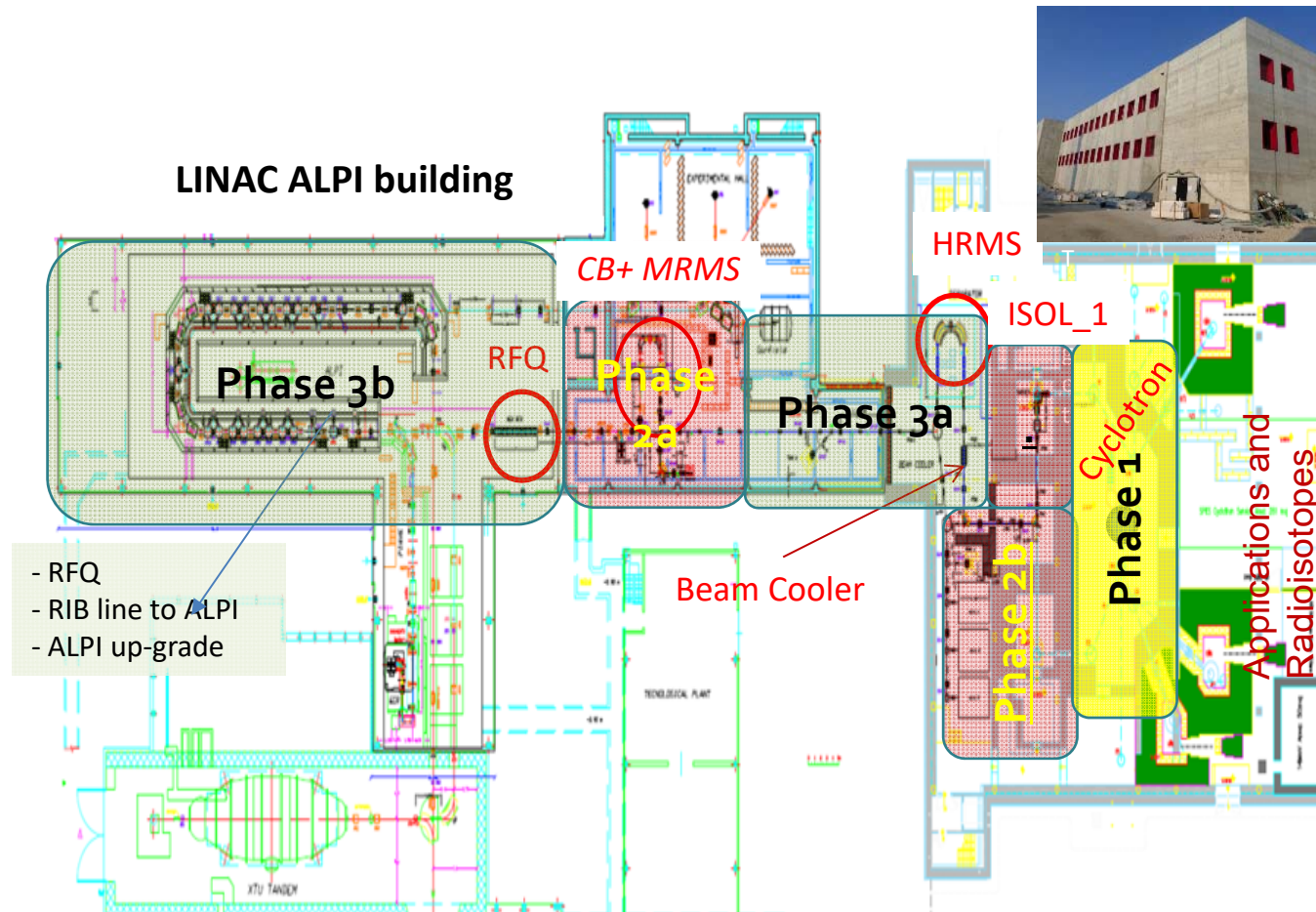
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SPES infrastructure - layout



SPES layout: ISOL facility installation phases



- **Phase 1. 2016** - Building + First operation with the cyclotron **NOW!**

- **Phase 2. 2017-18** - From C.B. to RFQ + SPES target, LRMS, 1+ Beam Lines

- **Phase 3. 2019 – 20** - HRMS-BeamCooler + RFQ to ALPI

2019: phase2b
no-reaccelerated
radioactive beams

The SPES cyclotron

Built by BEST
Cyclotron Systems

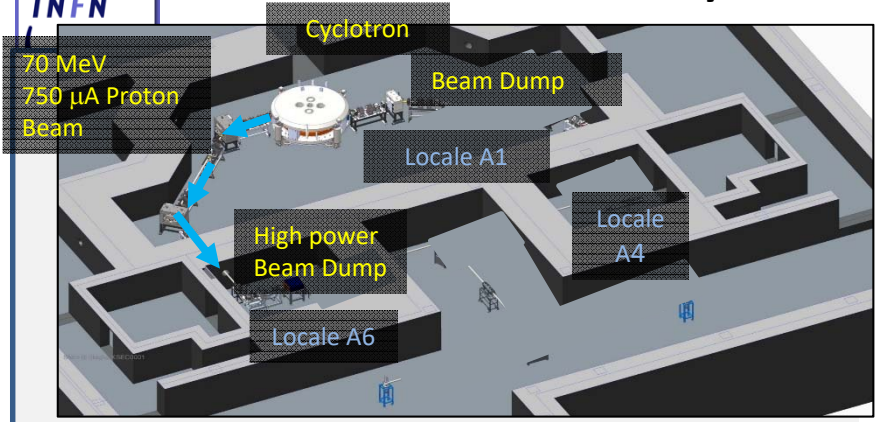
- Negative Hydrogen ion (H⁻)
- Simultaneous **double beam** extraction
- 35 to 70 MeV variable energy
- 700 μ A combined beam current (to be upgraded to 1 mA)



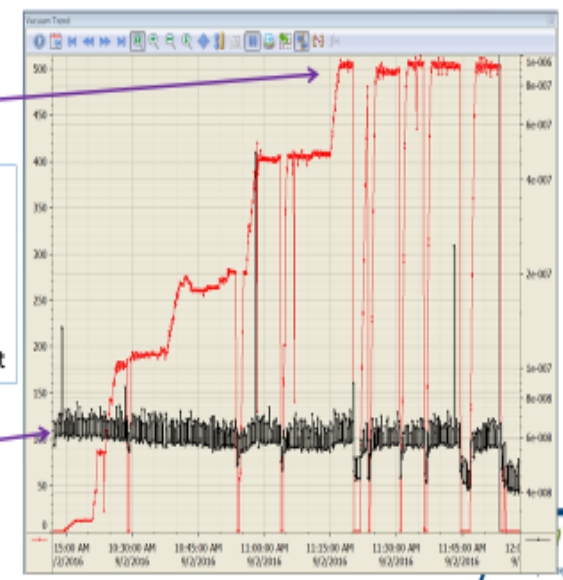
- Factory Acceptance Tests (FAT) passed
- Cyclotron arrived at LNL in May 2015
- Dual beam operation demonstrated
- Cyclotron commissioning at final step (endurance test to be performed)



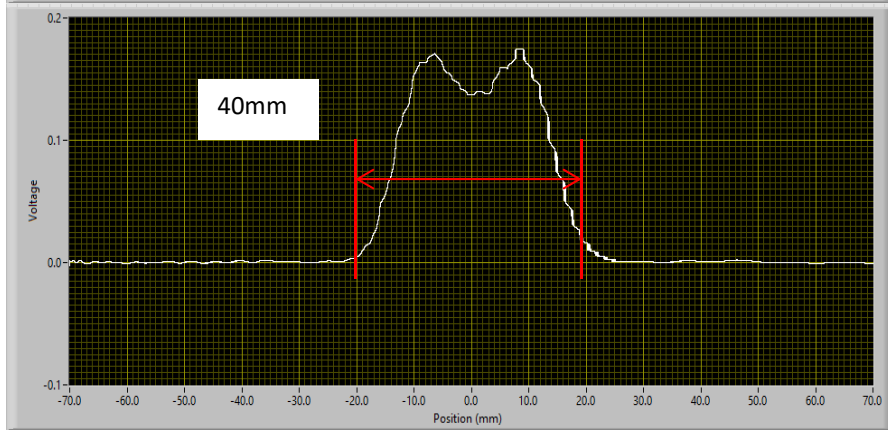
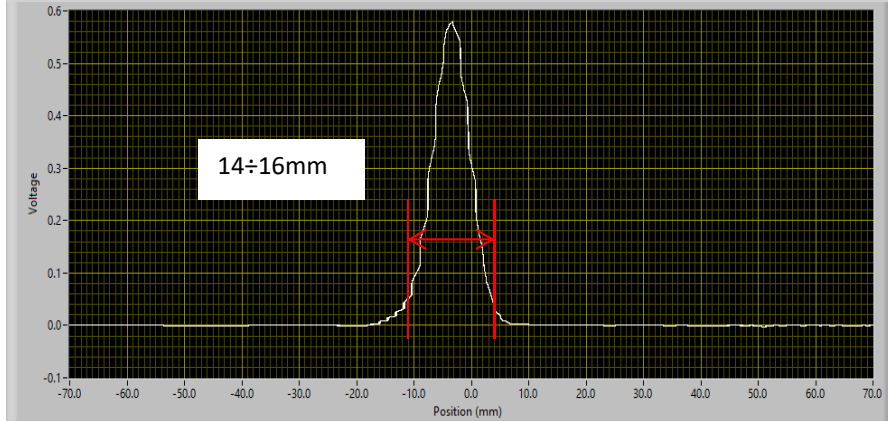
Cyclotron beam operation:



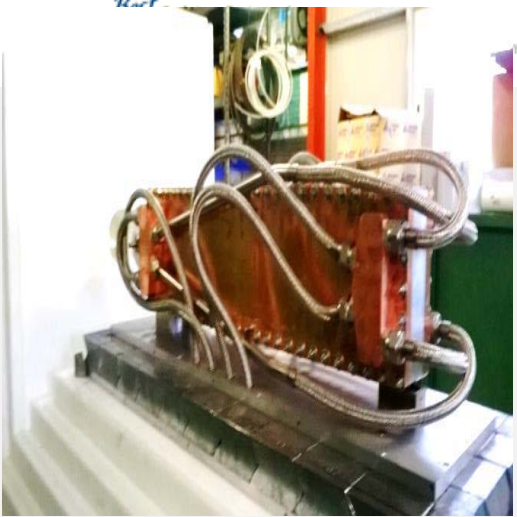
Beam test on 50kW INFN target



Beam dump start losing vacuum and went to the 10(-4) Torr range. The beam was stopped. Operation resumed, beam on target incrementally increase up to 200 μ A. Vacuum recovers increasing the current



Beam profile with wobbler ON

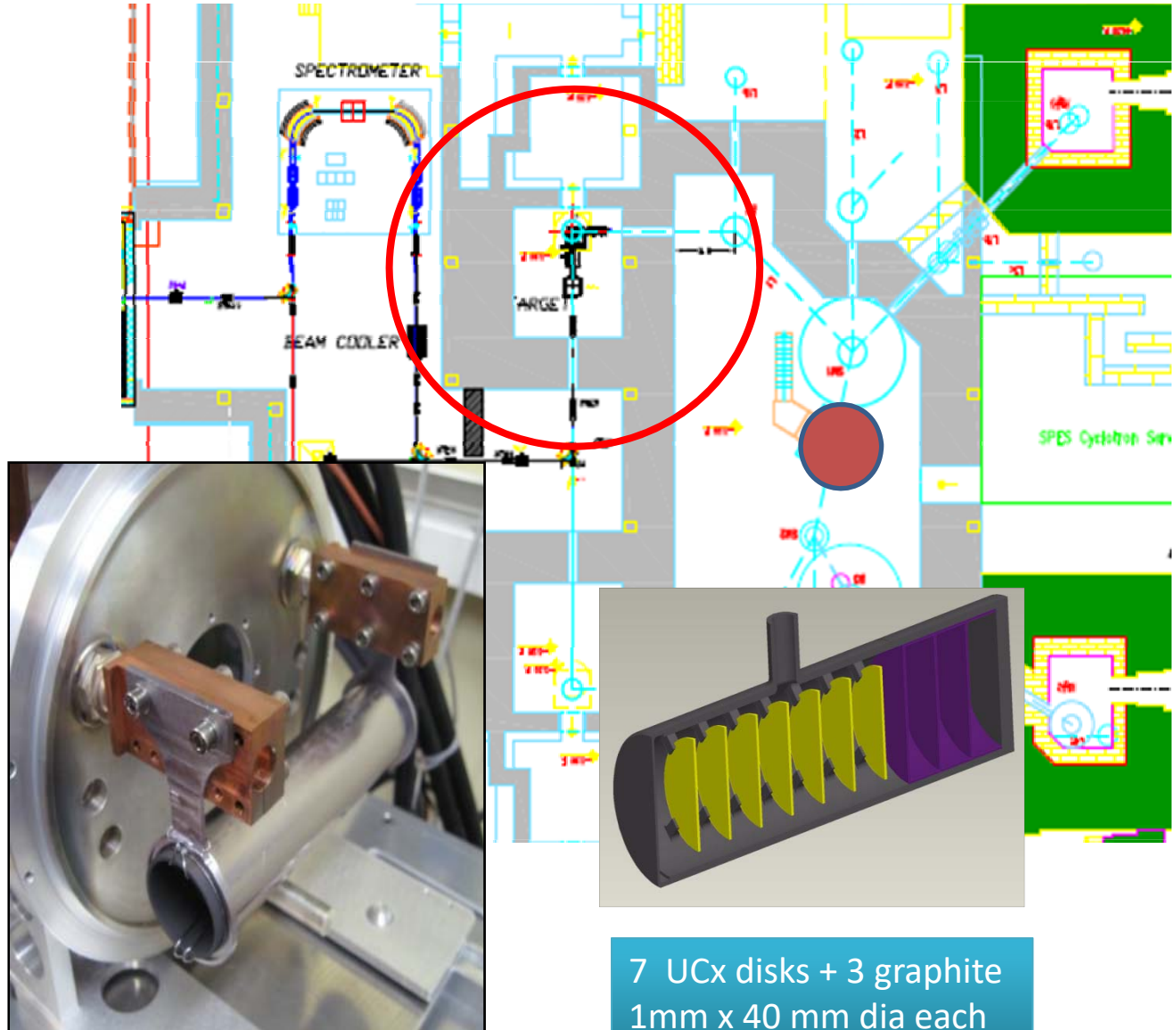


High power Beam Dump (50kW)



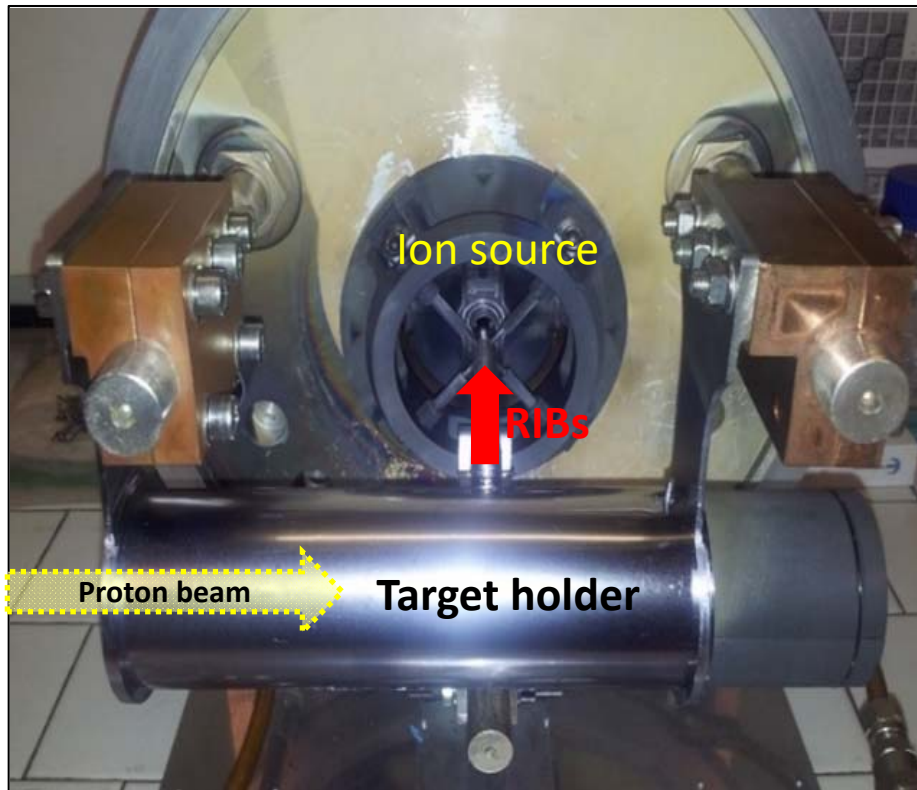
NEW concept developed
for the Direct Target:
Multi-foil UCx designed to
sustain 10kW beam power
to reach 10^{13} f/s

A proton beam of 40 MeV,
0.2mA will produce up to
 10^{13} f/s in the UCx target
(~ 30 g).

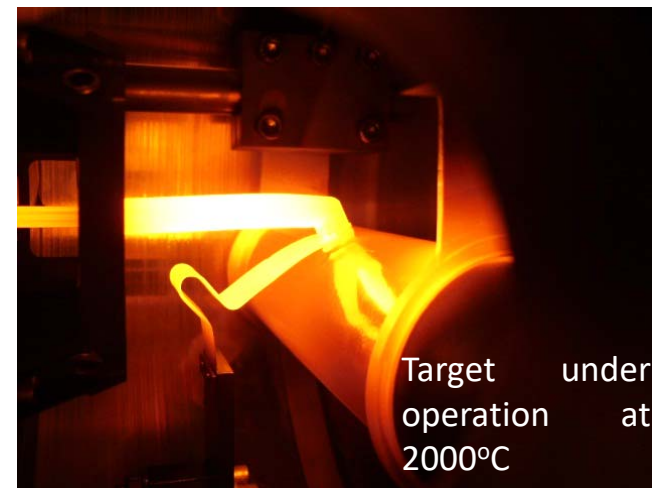


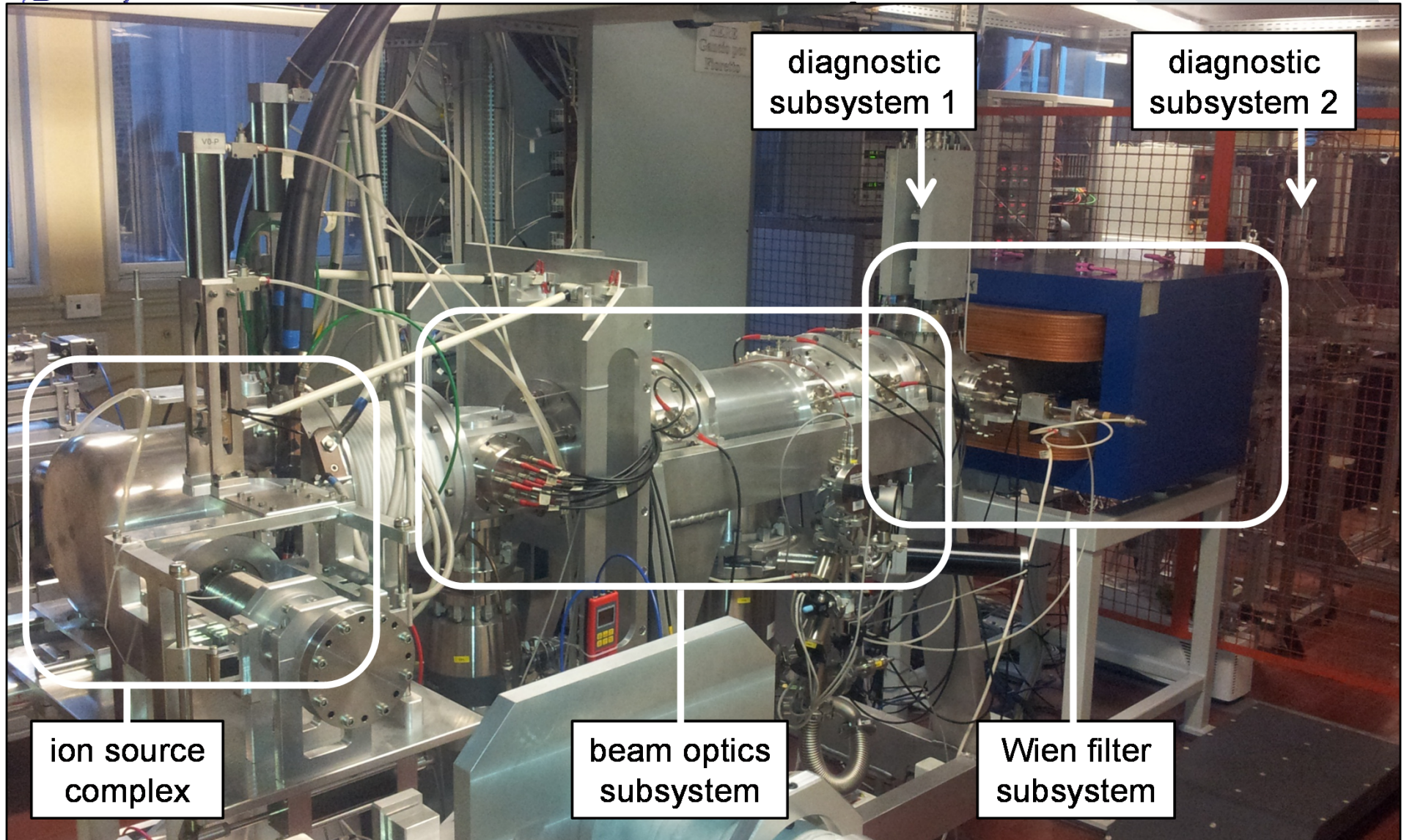
7 UCx disks + 3 graphite
1mm x 40 mm dia each

SPES Target ion source system



Multi disks Target



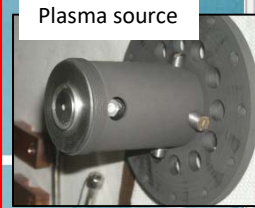
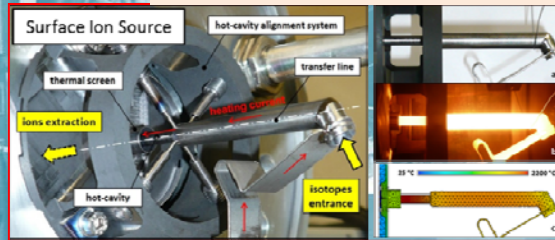


System under operation for source commissioning.
Updated version (radiation hardness improved) under construction.

Multi disk target

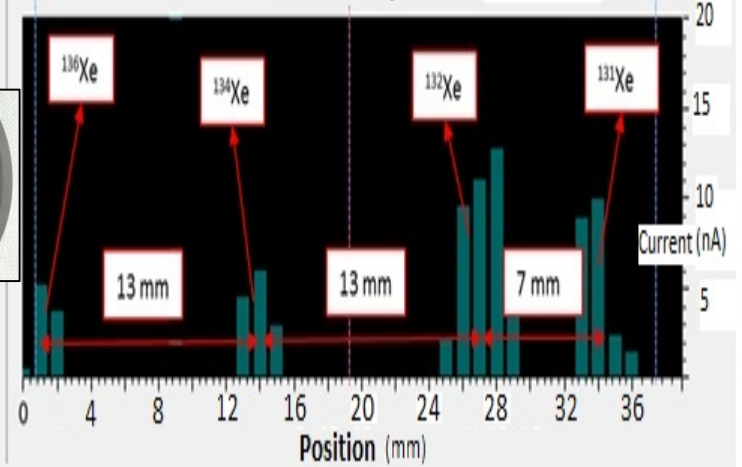


Source characterization and beam production



Wien filter upgrade (1/70 → 1/130)
Reduced radioactivity out of the bunker

Horizontal profile



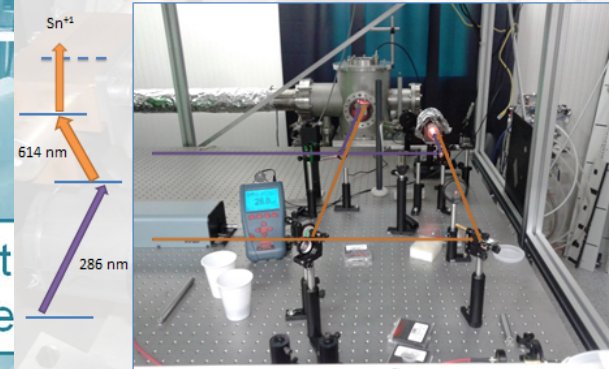
Target in-beam power test
SiC target tested with 4 kW
proton beam.

- Stable temperatures
- Stable vacuum ($3 \cdot 10^{-5}$ mbar)

iThemba_LABS 2014.
(SiC target)

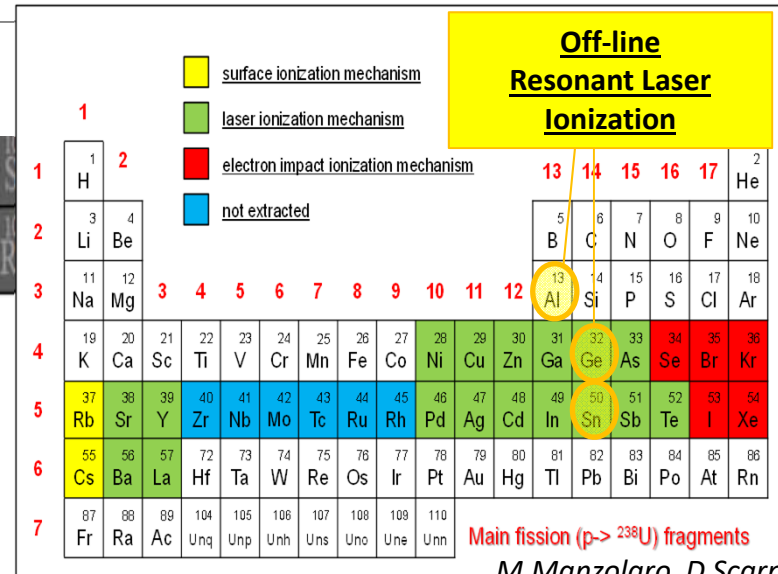
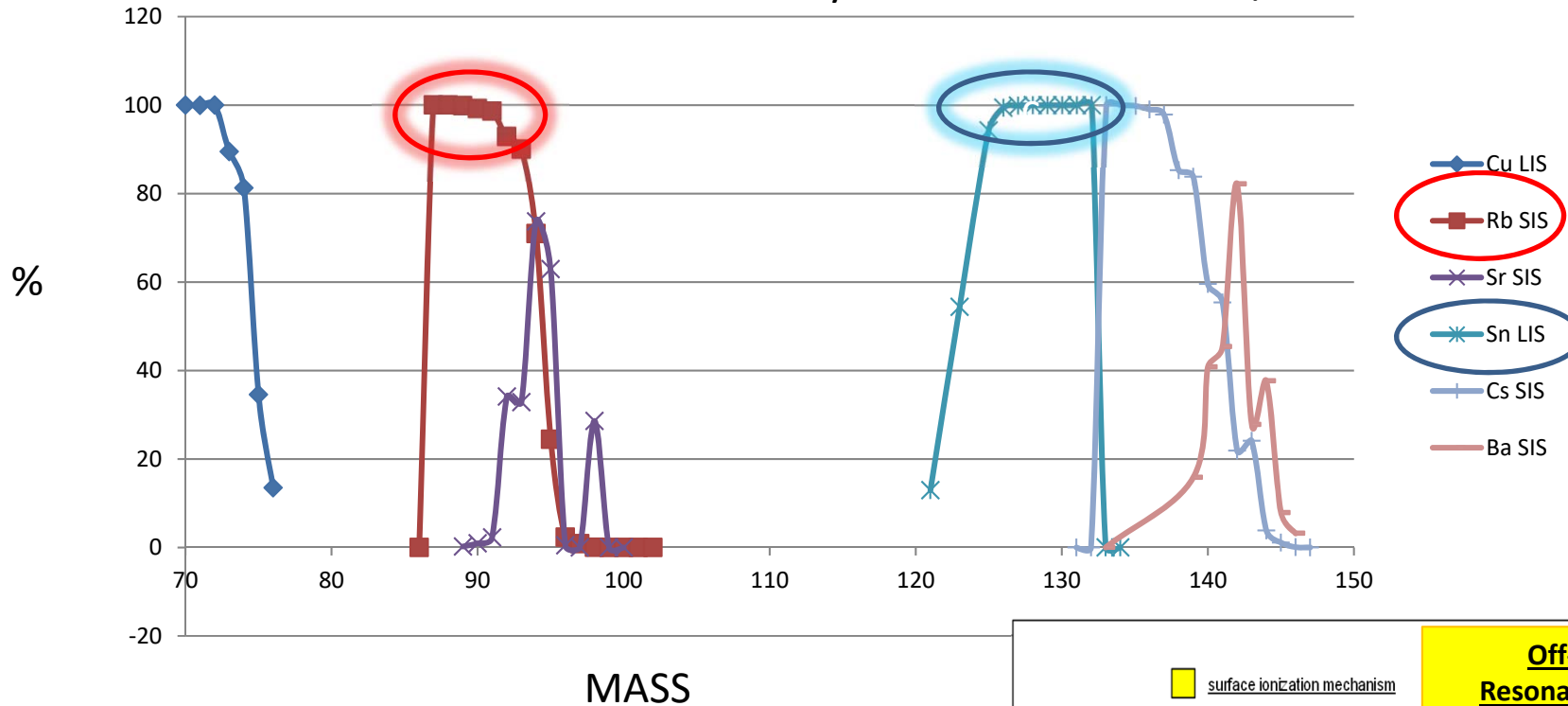
beam	ion. eff. (%)	hot-cavity temp. (°C)	hot-cavity material
Na	47,6	2200	Ta
K	55,4	2200	Ta
Ga	1,4	2200	Ta
Rb	54,5	2200	Ta
Sr	18,5	2200	Ta
In	3,2	2200	Ta
Cs	43,2	2200	Ta
Ba	58,8	2200	Ta
La	20,1	2200	Ta

ion source complex



Ion source selectivity

Evaluated beam selectivity with mass selection 1/200



Rb → Possible first n-rich beam
 Good selectivity expected for 132Sn with LIS

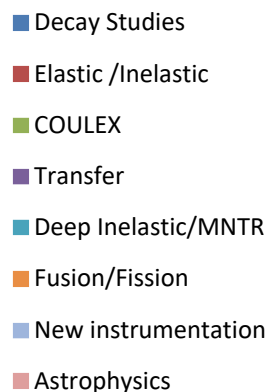
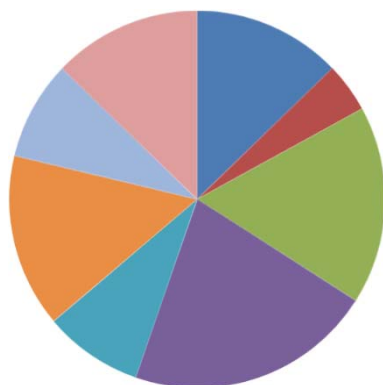


Third International SPES Workshop

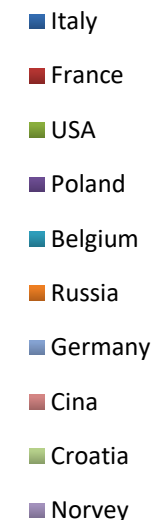
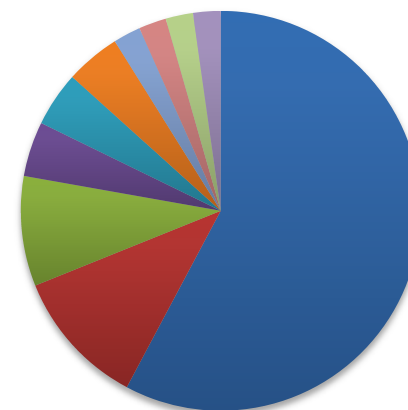
10-12 October 2016 *INFN Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro*
Europe/Rome timezone

Presented 47 Letters of Intent

LOIs 2016 TOPICS



LOIs 2016

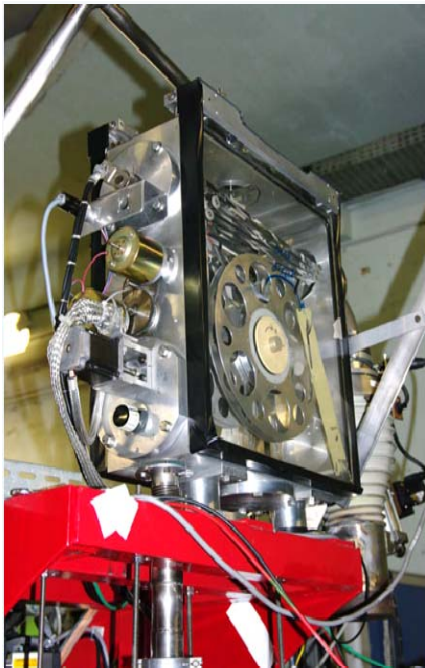


The SAC was pleased to note the good progress of the SPES project and the interesting physics program making use of the capabilities of SPES as described in the different. The large number of international co-authors and the interest from outside groups to bring state-of-the-art detection systems and instrumentation to SPES was highly appreciated and shows the importance of the SPES program for the international nuclear-physics community.

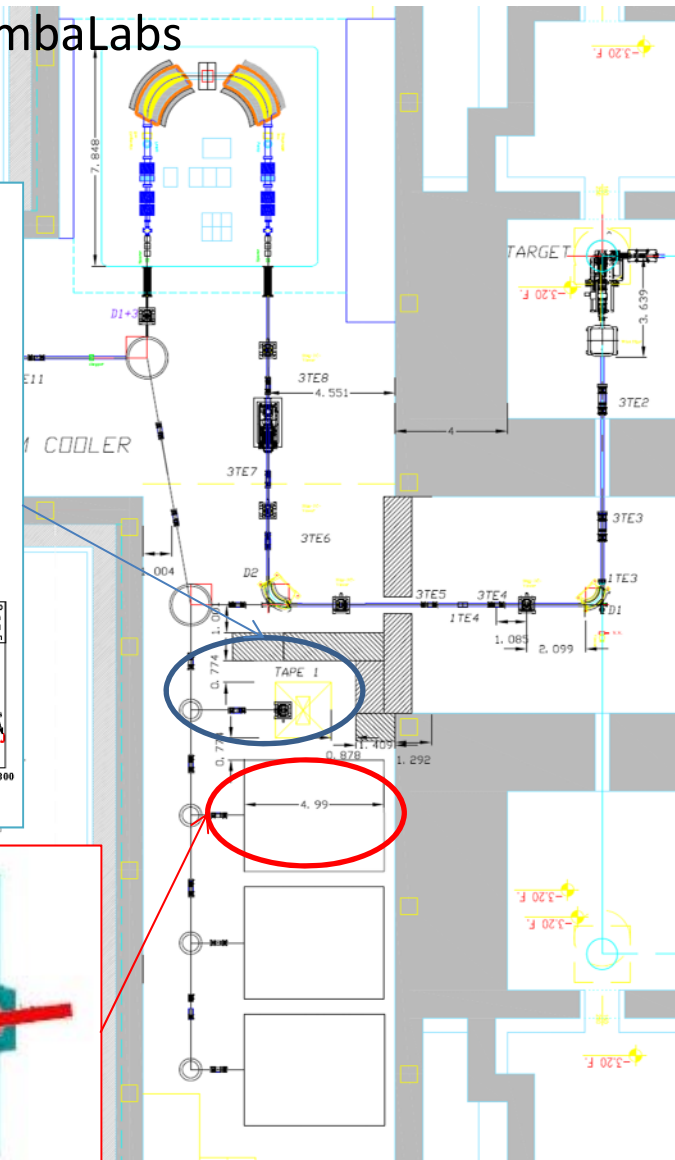
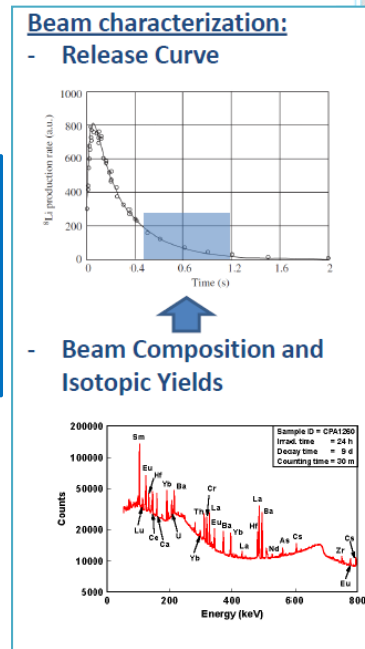
SPES_Scientific Advisory Committee: Piet Van Duppen (KU Leuven), Thomas Aumann (GSI), Gianluca Colò (Uni-Mi), Gilles De France (GANIL), Bogdan Fornal (INP Krakow), Tohru Motobayashi (Riken), Alessandro Olmi (INFN-FI), Andrea Vitturi (Uni PD)

Tape station based on Orsay design (BEDO)

Collaboration ALTO-INFN-iThembaLabs

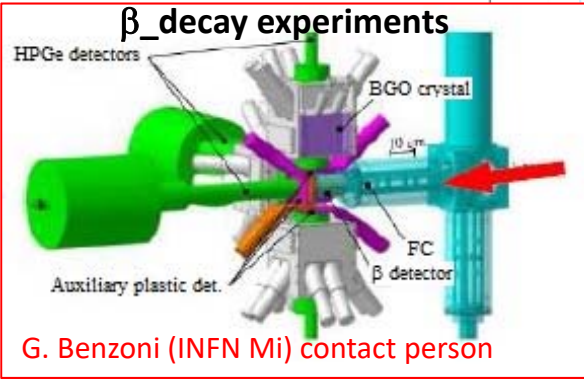


Diagnostics for SPES:
tape stations to characterize RIBs



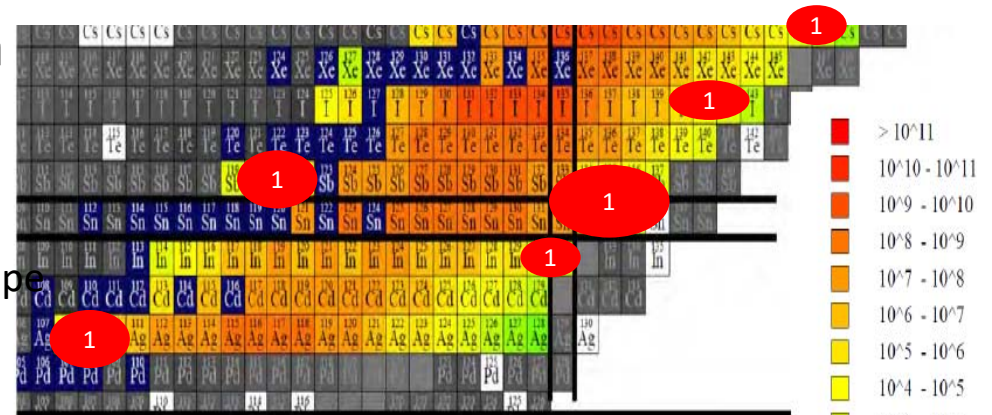
Beta decay station as a permanent and flexible setup

- Tape station + β detector
- Coupling to HPGe, LaBr₃, neutron detectors etc...



SPES LoI's for beta decay station

- 1_Astrophysics: input for r and s process
- 2_Nuclear structure: Shell evolution and nuclear shape
- 3_Exotic decay : Pygmy resonance by β _decay



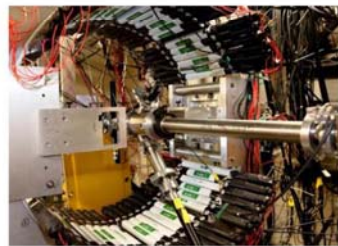
Additional instrumentation and collaborations

Decay spectroscopy techniques to study neutron-rich fission fragments at SPES

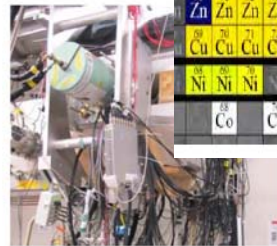
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MTAS = Modular Total Absorption Spectrometer



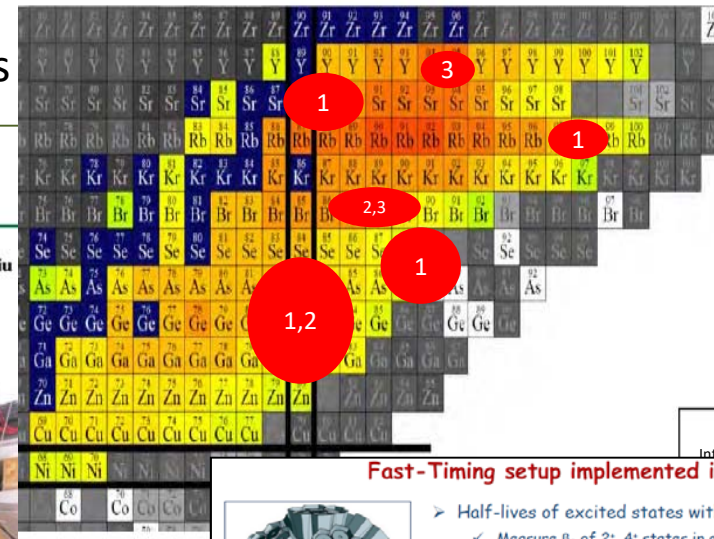
VANDLE = Versatile Array of Neutron Detectors for Low Energy



3Hen = Helium-3 Neutron Detectors
 Hybrid-3Hen = 3Hen + Clover Ge

The physics of neutron-rich fission fragments

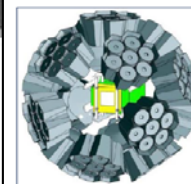
- nuclear structure evolution as $N \gg Z$
- spectroscopy near and above the neutron separation energy
- rapid-neutron capture half-lives and beta-delayed neutron branchings
- societal impact in better data for modeling neutron-rich environments such as nuclear reactors
- more detailed understanding of the anti-neutrino spectra from reactors



Courtesy of T. Marchi
 Intensities for re-accelerated beams

Fast-Timing setup implemented in spring 2013

- > Half-lives of excited states within the ps-ns range
 - ✓ Measure β_2 of 2^+ , 4^+ states in even-even deformed nuclei
 - ✓ Inspect configuration mixing, seniority scheme in spherical nuclei
 - ✓ Search for β -delayed short-lived isomers



Fission residue

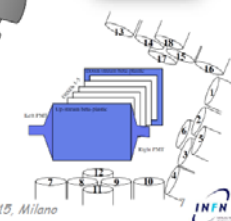
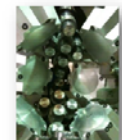
> 18 LaBr₃(Ce)

- 1.5" x 2"
- 5 mm lead shields
- Eff 1.5% @ 660 keV

> 2 BC-418 fast plastics

- 45x150 mm²
- 2 mm thick
- 3-5 mm from WAS3ABI
- Eff ~ 50%

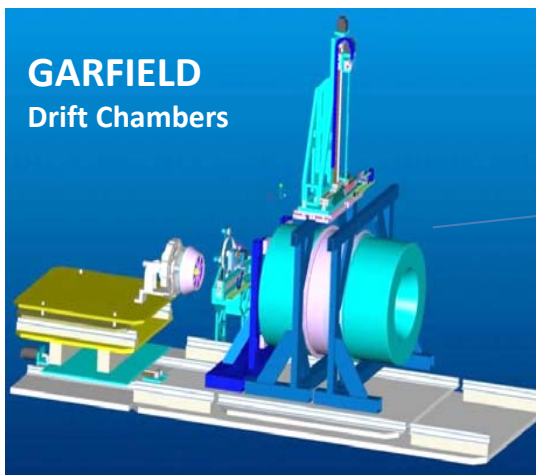
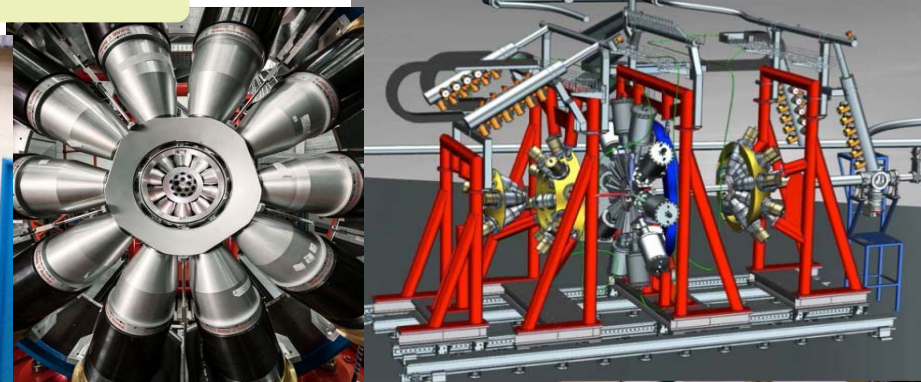
Fast-timing β correlations



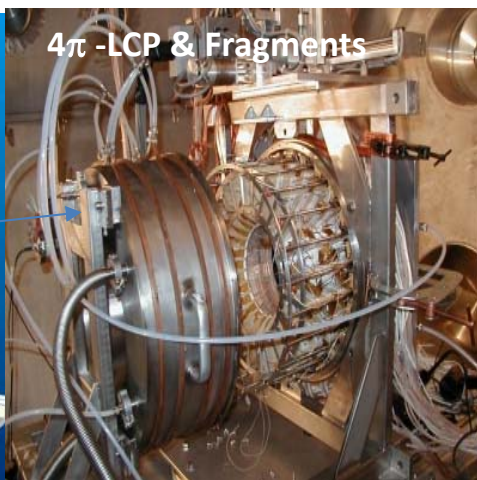
PRISMA large acceptance magnetic spectrometer
 $\Omega \approx 80 \text{ msr}$; $B\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.2 \text{ Tm}$ $\Delta A/A \sim 1/200$
 Energy acceptance $\sim \pm 20\%$



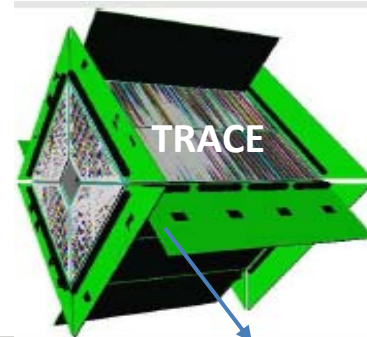
GALILEO γ -array



GARFIELD
Drift Chambers



4 π -LCP & Fragments



TRACE



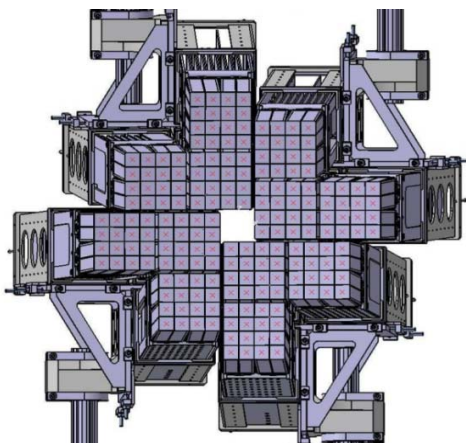
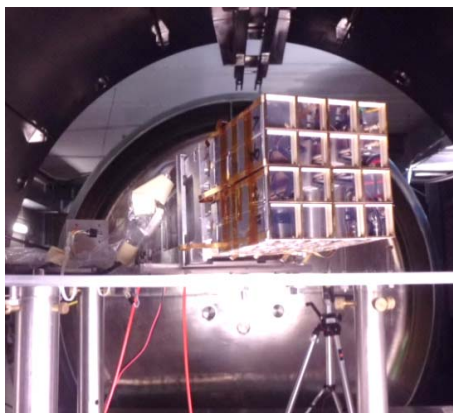
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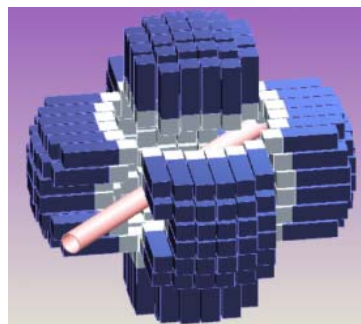
TRACE detectors

International Collaborations: itinerant detectors

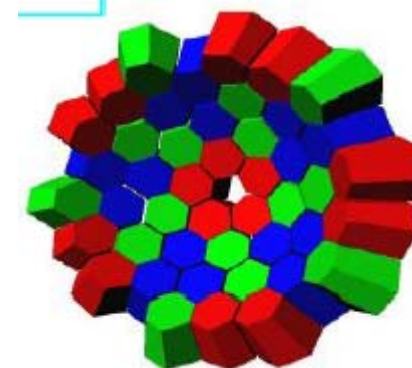
FAZIA: LCP & fragments detection



PARIS (High Energy
 γ -ray Detector Array)

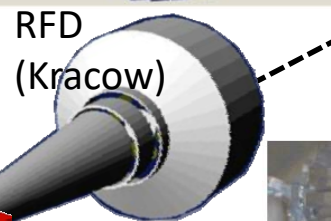


NEDA (NEutron
Detector Array)



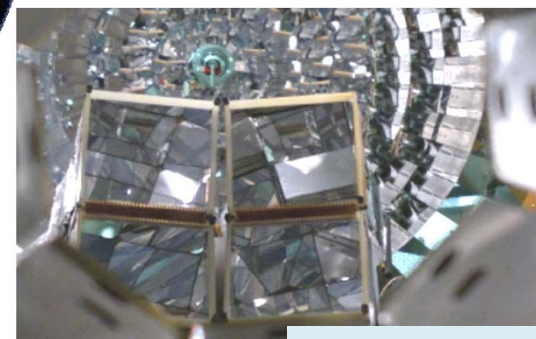
AGATA : innovative γ -rays
tracking array)

GALILEO



RFD
(Krakow)

2π PARIS



FARCOS



GALILEO
+nWall



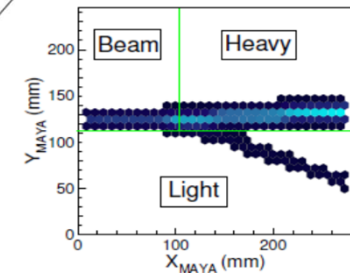
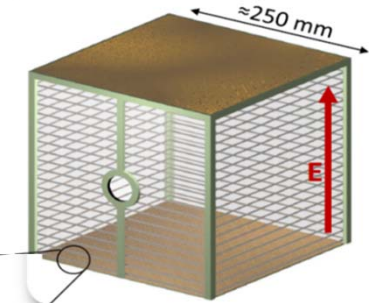
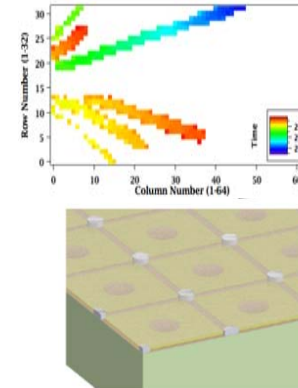
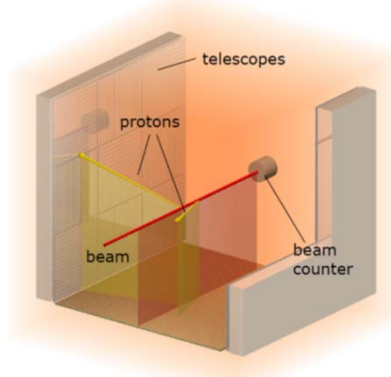
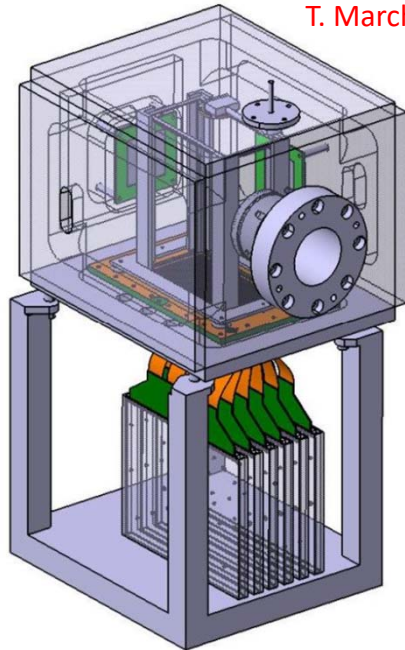
DSSD 32x32

16

channels by each cluster

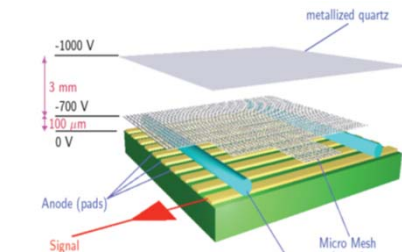
ATS @ SPES within the NUCL-EX collaboration
(LNL, Bologna, Fi, Pd, Mi, Na) + LNS_Stream

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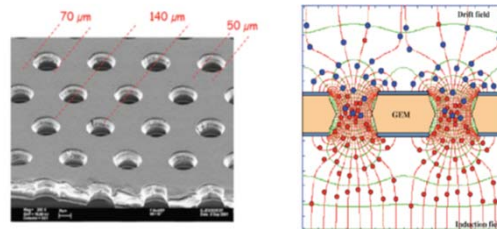


ACTAR : Active Target Detector

Starting activity with ACTAR collaboration:
ENSAR2 GDS network and PRIN national project
(submitted)



Micro-megas technology for the amplification region :
low cost 5€/cm



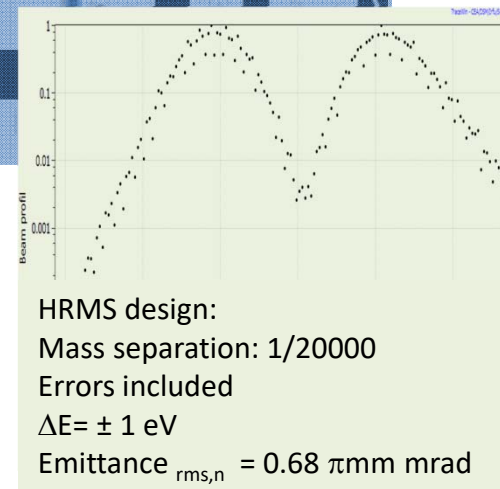
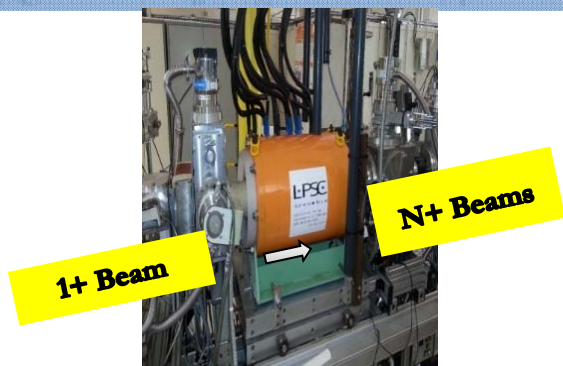
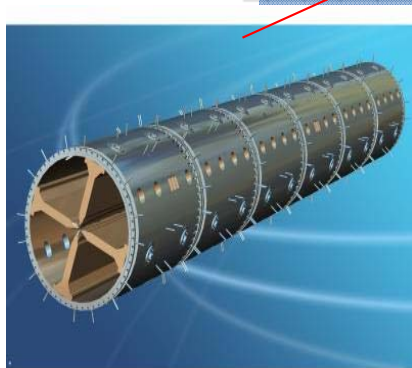
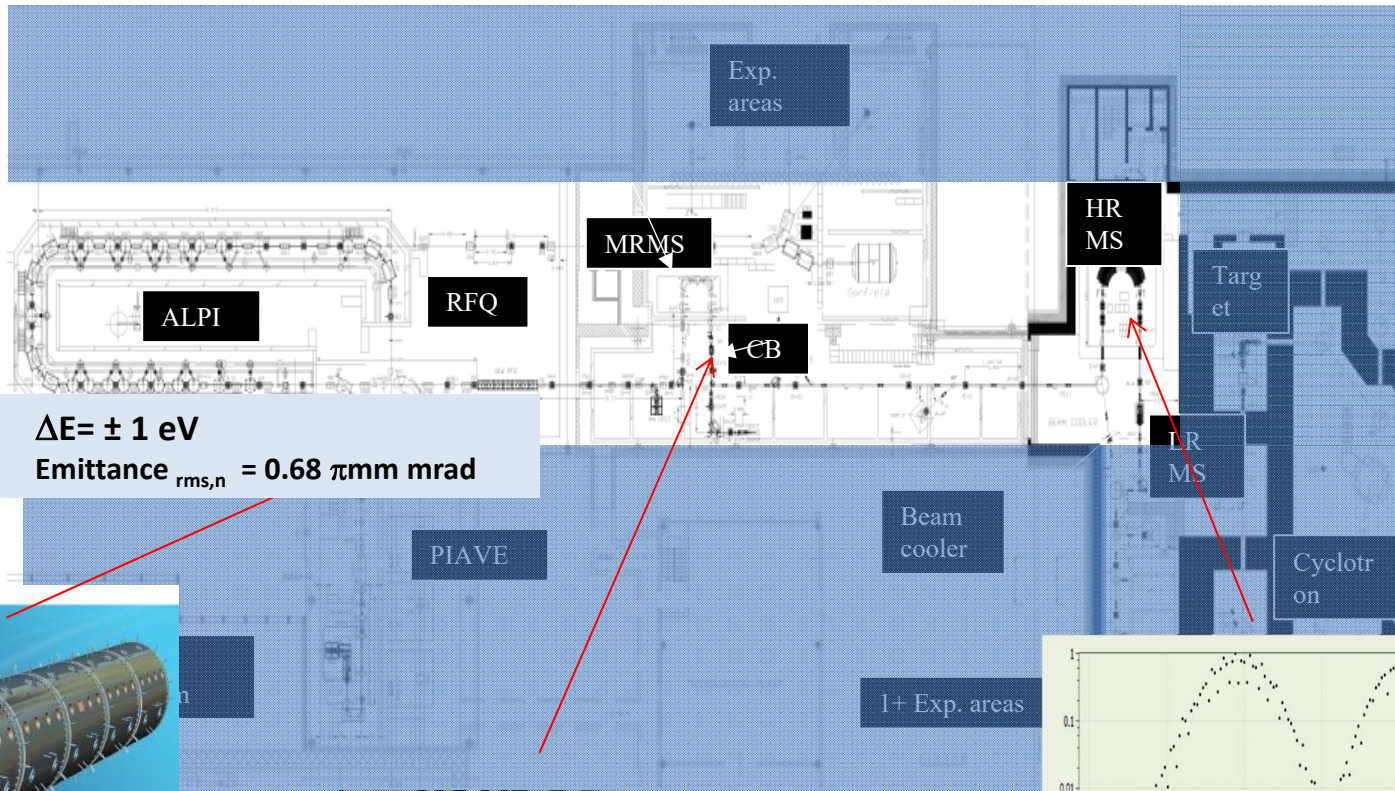
Gas Electron Multipliers: GEM

Courtesy of R. Raabe & G.F. Grinyer

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Institut de Physique Nucleaire d'Orsay (IPNO), France
Institut de Recherche sur les lois Fondamentales de l'Univers (IRFU), France
University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium
Universidade de Santiago de Compostela (USC), Santiago, Spain

GDS – Network within
ENSAR2 – INFN WP leader

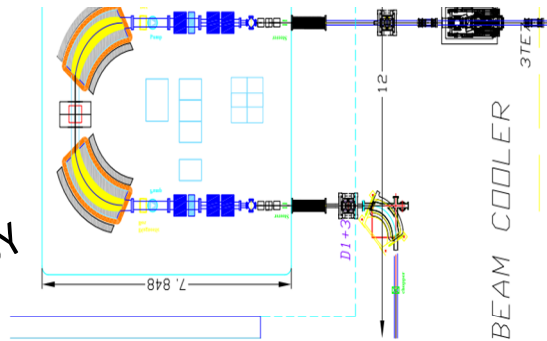
Beam transport and reacceleration



Phase 3: High Resolution Mass Separation

Collaboration: LNS, LNL, CENBG Bordeaux
 Physics design: 1/40000

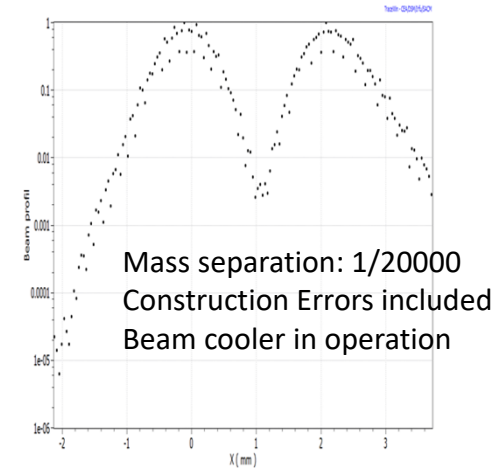
DESIGN STUDY



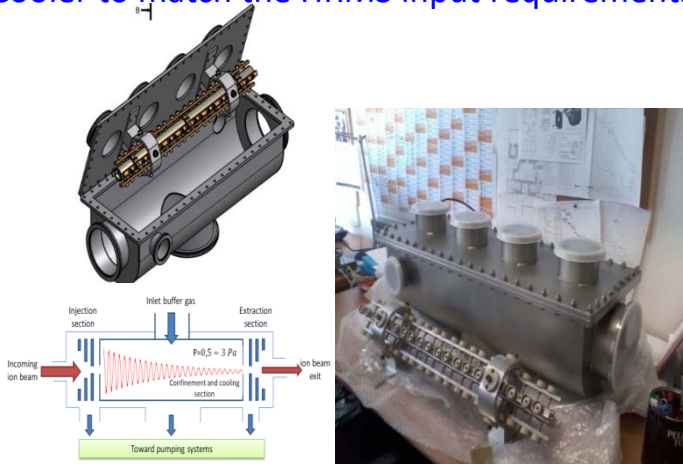
$\Delta E = \pm 1 \text{ eV}$
 Emittance $\epsilon_{rms,n} = 0.68 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$

Type	Max range
Misalignment (x,y) (no effect on R)	0.5 mm
Tilt (xy,yz,xz)	0.1°
Field error	0.05%
All errors	0.25 mm, 0.05°, 0.025%

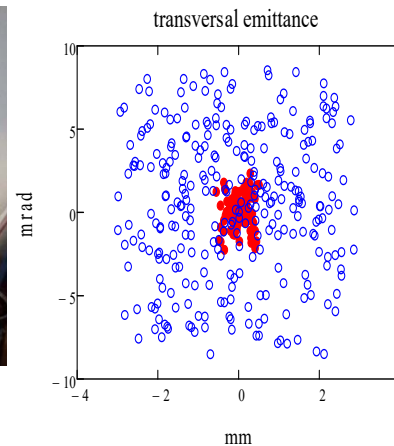
^{132}Sn beam in simulations



Beam Cooler to match the HRMS input requirements



Contacts with LPC_Caen for SHIRaC type Beam Cooler development (SPIRAL2)



Input T emittance
 Output T emittance

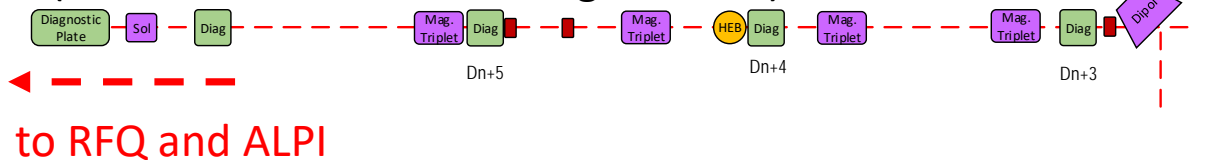
Phase 2A: Installation of Charge Breeder and n+ beam line

Purpose:

- boost the 1+ beam from TIS and HRMS
- clean & transfer n+ beam to RFQ pre-accelerator

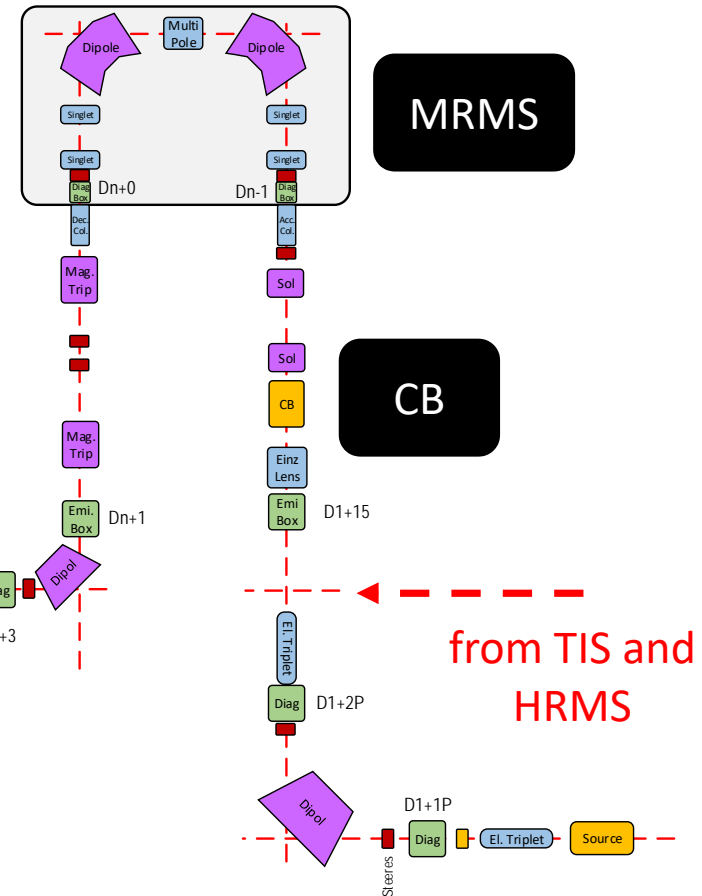
Components:

- Charge Breeder: ECR type
- Medium Resolution Mass Separator (MRMS) on HV platform (1/1000 mass separation)
- Beam line components and diagnostics
- (1+ ion source for CB setting and test)



Status

- Dipoles and lenses in construction
- Power Supply: tender completed
- Fully equipped HV Platform: tender launched



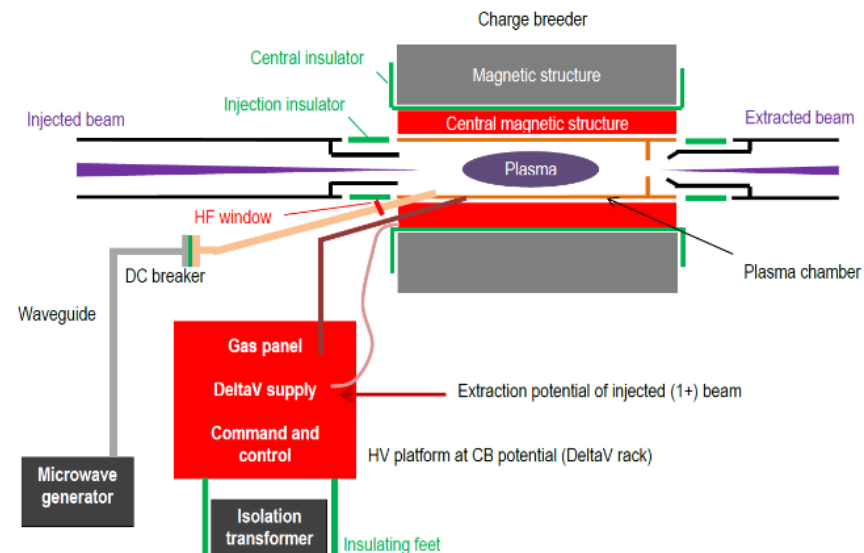
ECR-type Charge Breeder

ION	Q	EFFICIENCY* [%]		
		SPES req	Best LPSC	SPES-CB
Cs	26	≥ 5	8,6	11,7
Xe	20	≥ 10	10,9	11,2
Rb	19	≥ 5	6,5	7,8
Ar	8	≥ 10	16,2	15,2

**results obtained for the same 1+ injected current*

R&D to reduce the ECR contaminants

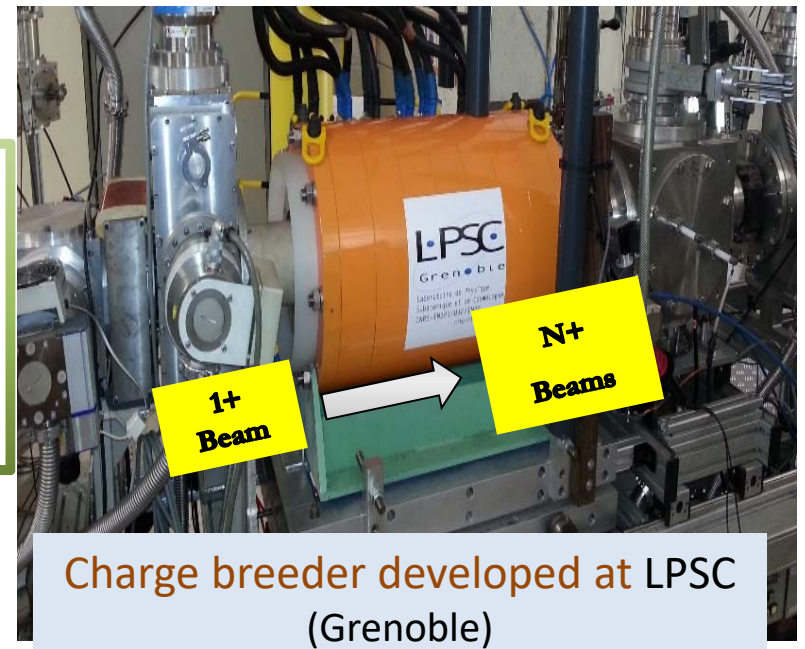
Action	Expected result
New Aluminum plasma chamber	Better performances ad reduction of contaminants
Surface treatments	Reduction of surfaces de-gassing
Coating of plasma chamber with refractory	Reduction of contaminants
Use of hot liner	Improved "recycling" reducing the sticking time. Better performance and reduction of contaminants
MRMS	Beam selection and separation from contaminants



Phase 2A: Installation of Charge Breeder and n+ beam line

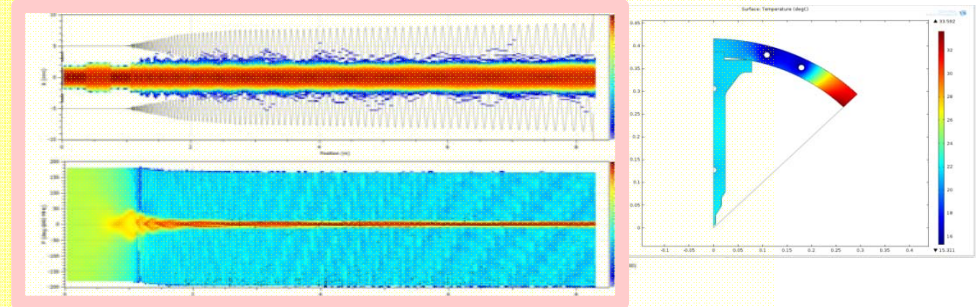


- Hall prepared
- Assembly and connection of 1+ source and CB in 2017

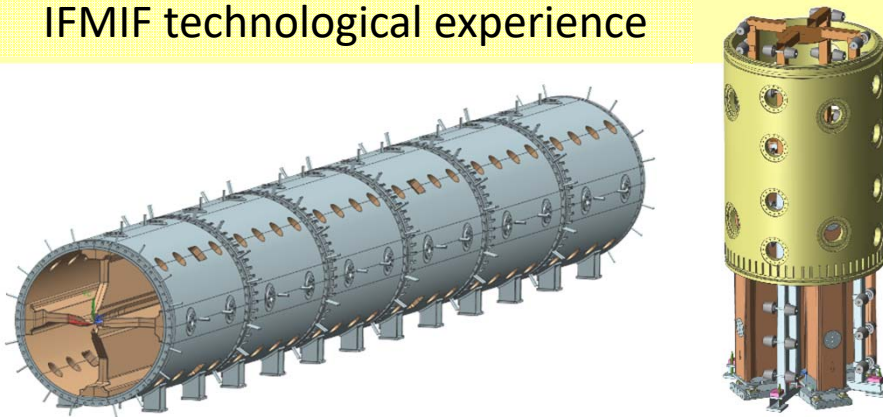


Exotic Beam RFQ Injector for ALPI (7 m, 6 modules)

- Energy 5.7 → 727.3 keV/A [$\beta=0.0395$] ($A/q=7$)
- Beam transmission >93% for $A/q=3 \div 7$
- RF power (four vanes) 100 kW ($f=80$ MHz) for up to 1 mA beam (...future higher I stable beams)
- Mechanical design and realization, similar to the Spiral2 one, takes advantage of IFMIF technological experience



Beam dynamics, EM design, Mechanical design and Thermal Analysis **COMPLETED**



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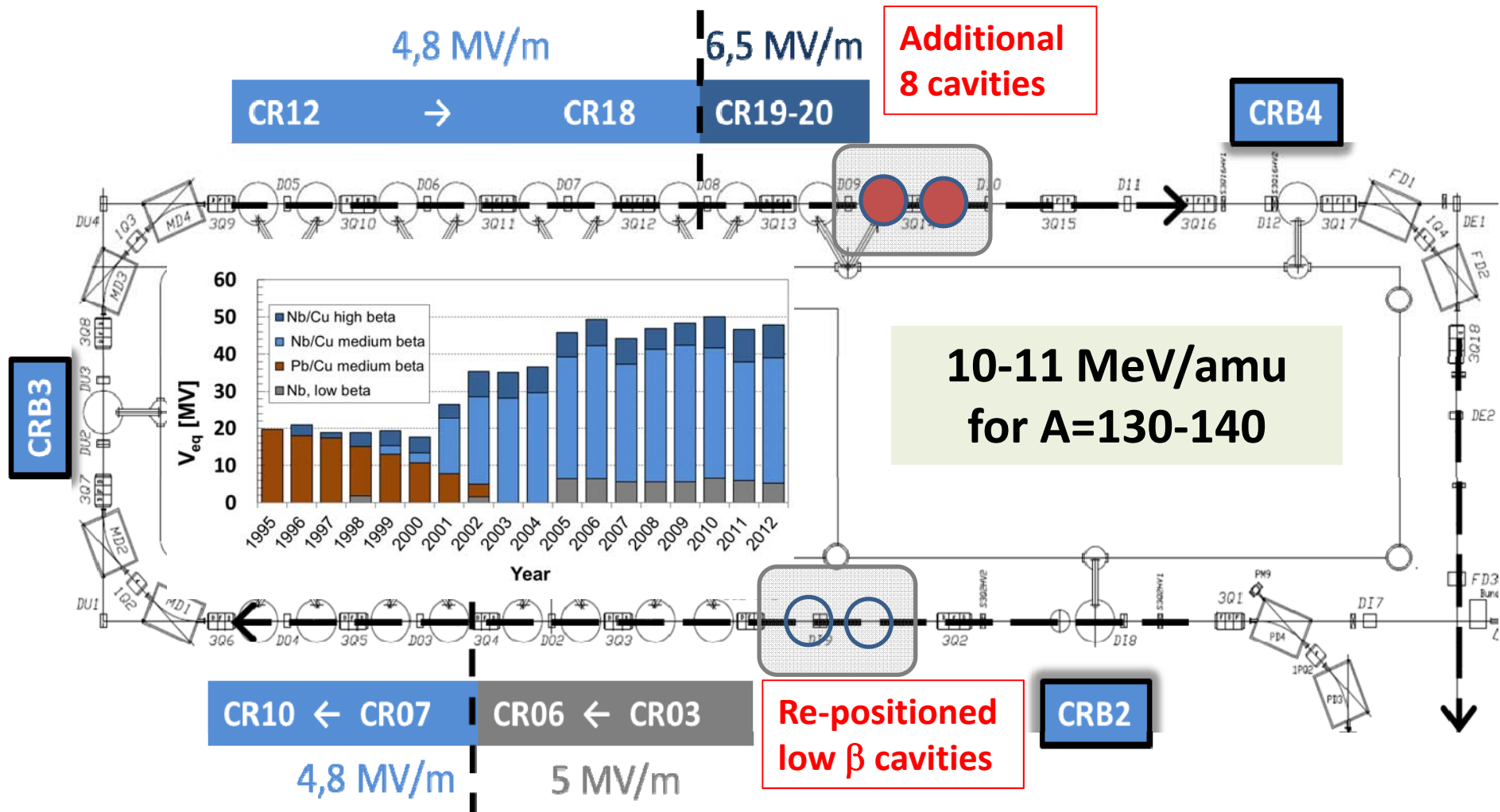
- Materials ordered
- Construction of vanes: tender completed (July 2016)
- Prototype in preparation

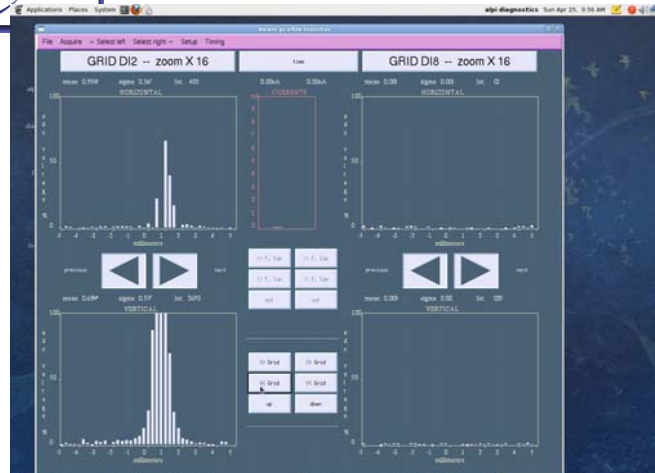


200 kW RF amplifier (175 MHz → 80 MHz tuning required); 200 kW Power Coupler developed

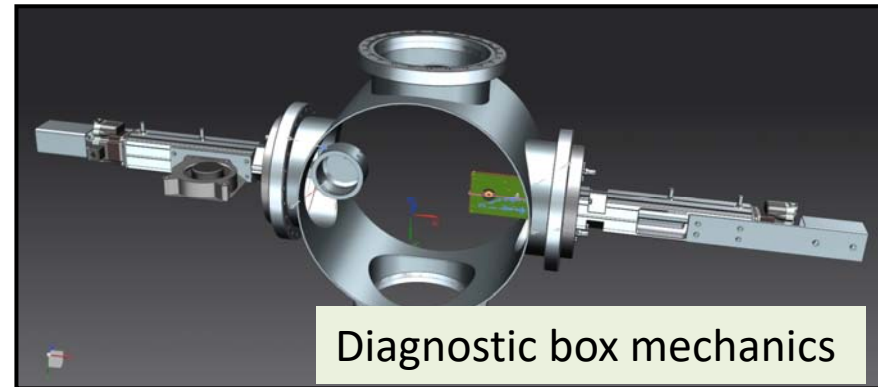


Matching into ALPI SC linac

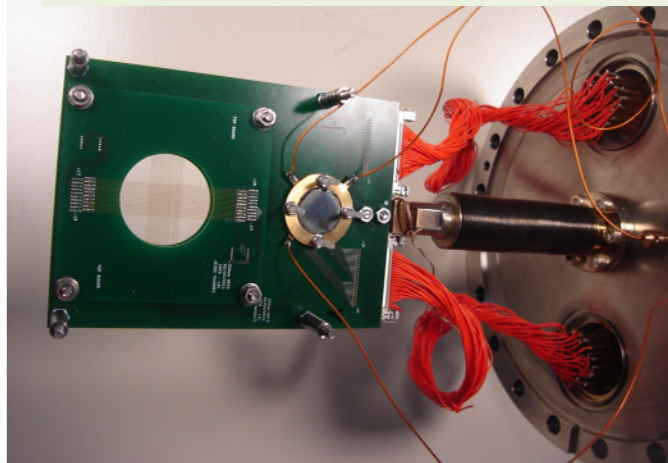




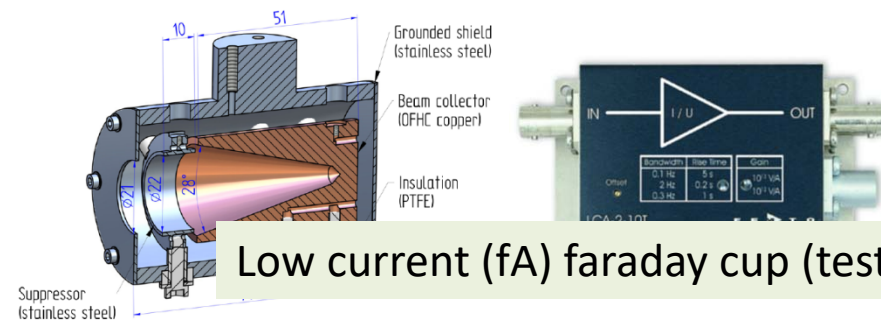
MCP_Low current test: 10 fA, 40Ca beam



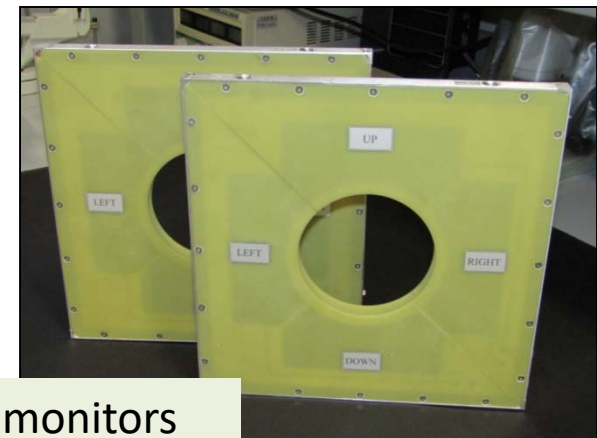
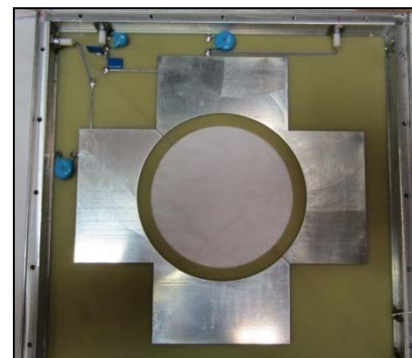
Diagnostic box mechanics



Wires – MCP high dynamic range SPES Beam Profile Monitor



Low current (fA) faraday cup (test at LNS)



Cyclotron beam-loss monitors



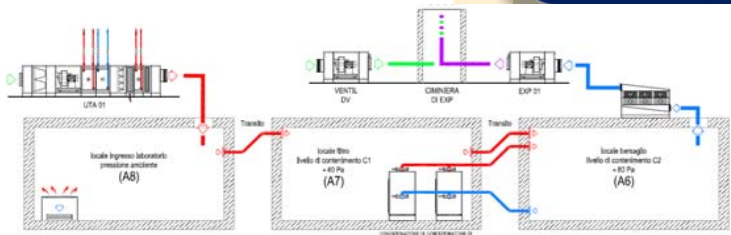
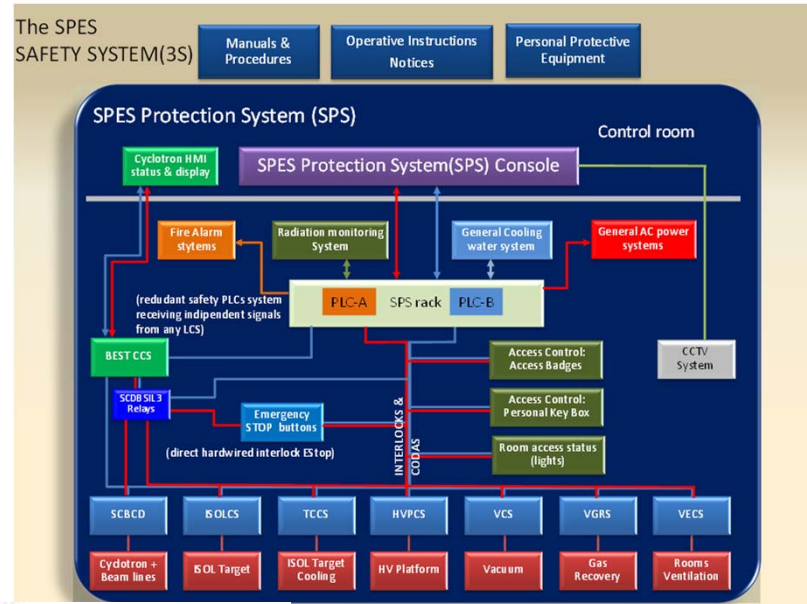
SPES safety system

A SIL3 safety system is under development by PILZ
 A simplified system is under use for cyclotron test

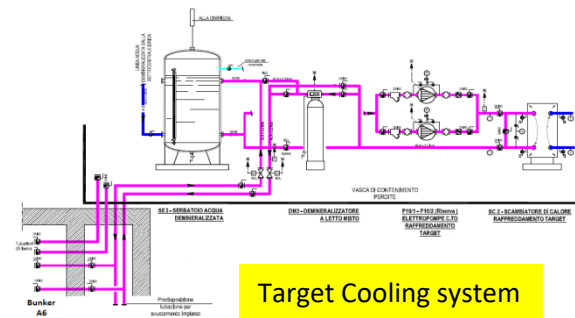
Cyclotron and beam lines



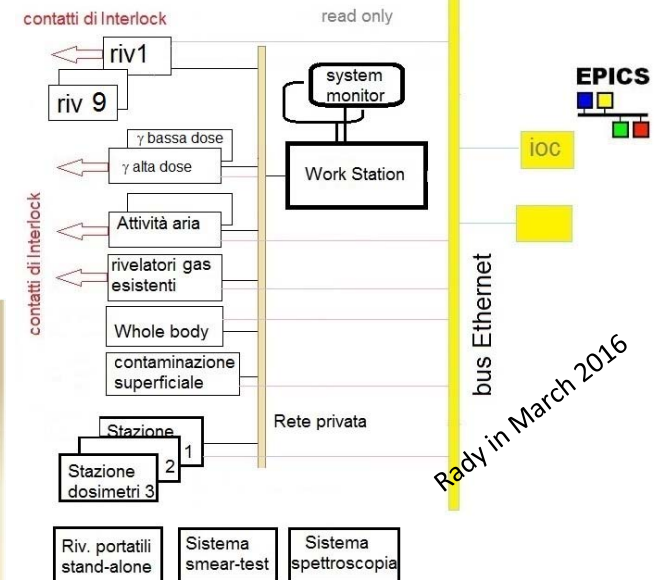
ISOL target



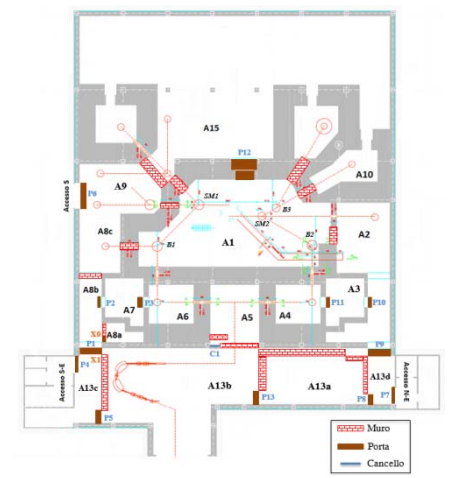
ventilation



Target Cooling system



Radiologic survey system



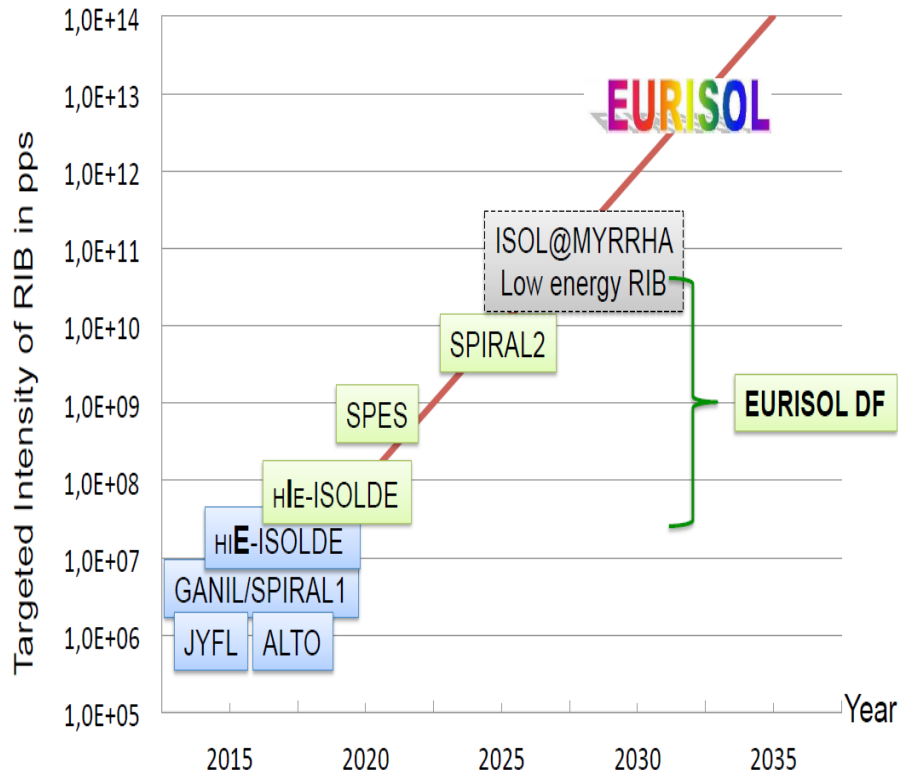
Access Control System

WP_B4, WP_B2

EURISOL Distributed Facility (DF) Initiative

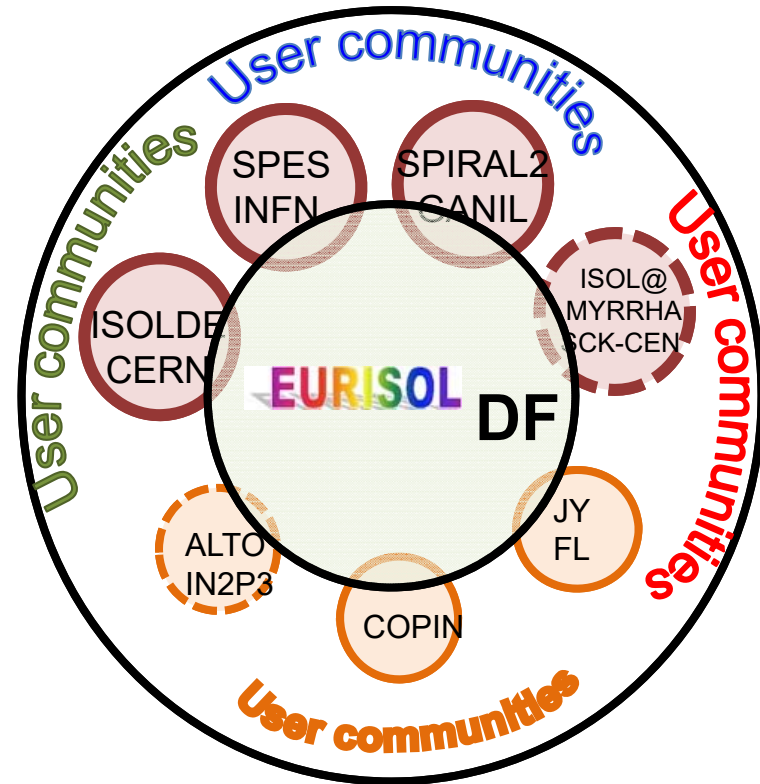
Project to be submitted for the 2018 update of the ESFRI roadmap

EURISOL DF: Intermediate step towards single site project



Complementarities: Instrumentation eg. AGATA, FAZIA, GASPARD, PARIS
 Challenges: High-power targets & sources, purification of RIB

EURISOL DF



- A **distribute laboratory** for radioactive beams:
- **More exotic beams** available
- **Coordination of competences** to face EURISOL technologic challenges
- **Joint effort** to manage the activity at European level

CONCLUSIONS

- SPES is in the construction phase
- Infrastructures and Cyclotron are completed
- In the next two years the ISOL system and the Charge Breeder will be installed
- In 2019 radioactive beams with no-reacceleration will be available
- Reacceleration will be completed in 2021 using ALPI to reach 10-11 MeV/n
- SPES is partner of EURISOL_DF
 - An European distributed facility for radioactive beams will offer a wide alternatives of exotic beams to the international nuclear physics community