

# Nuove Tecniche di Accelerazione a SPARC\_LAB

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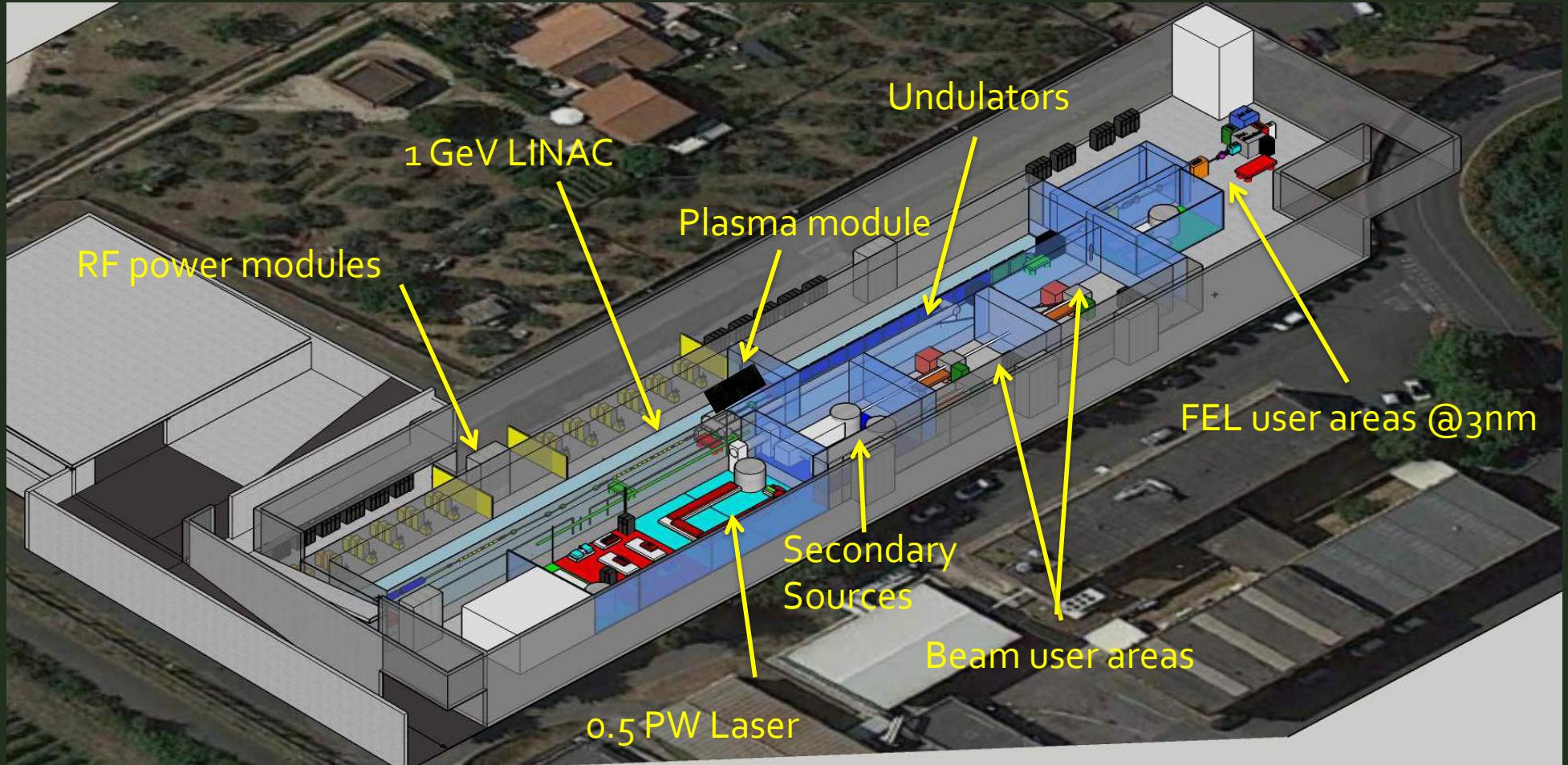


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# Future LNF Landscape



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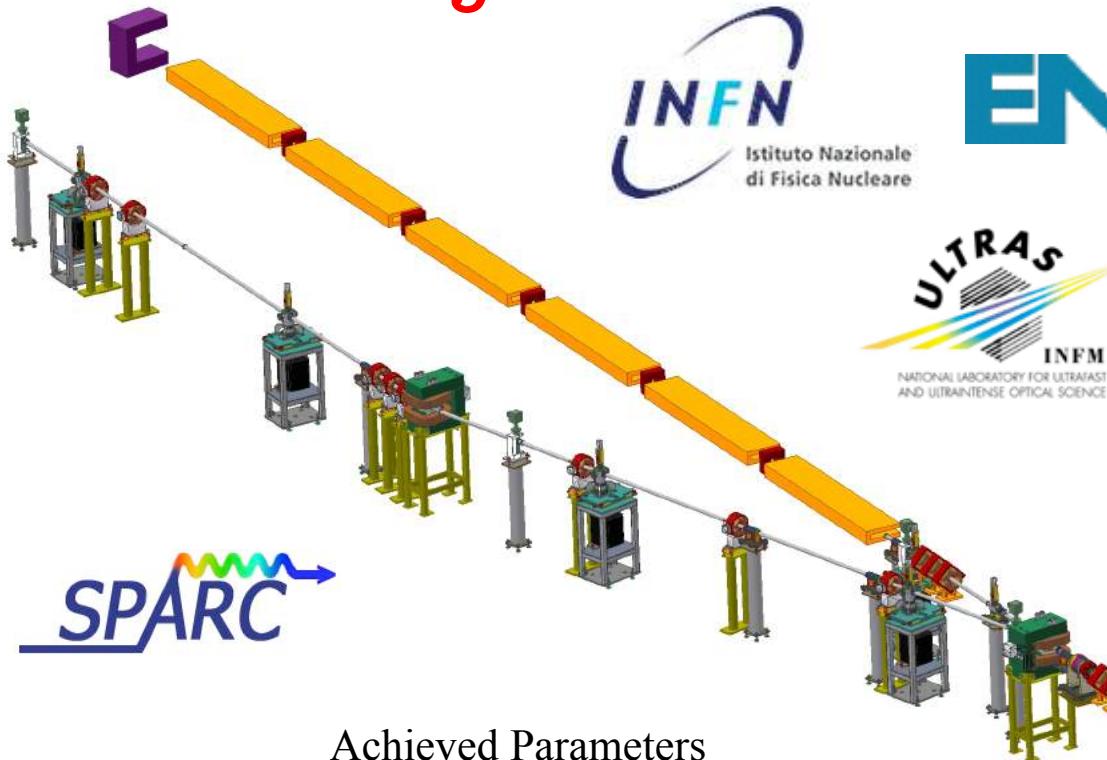
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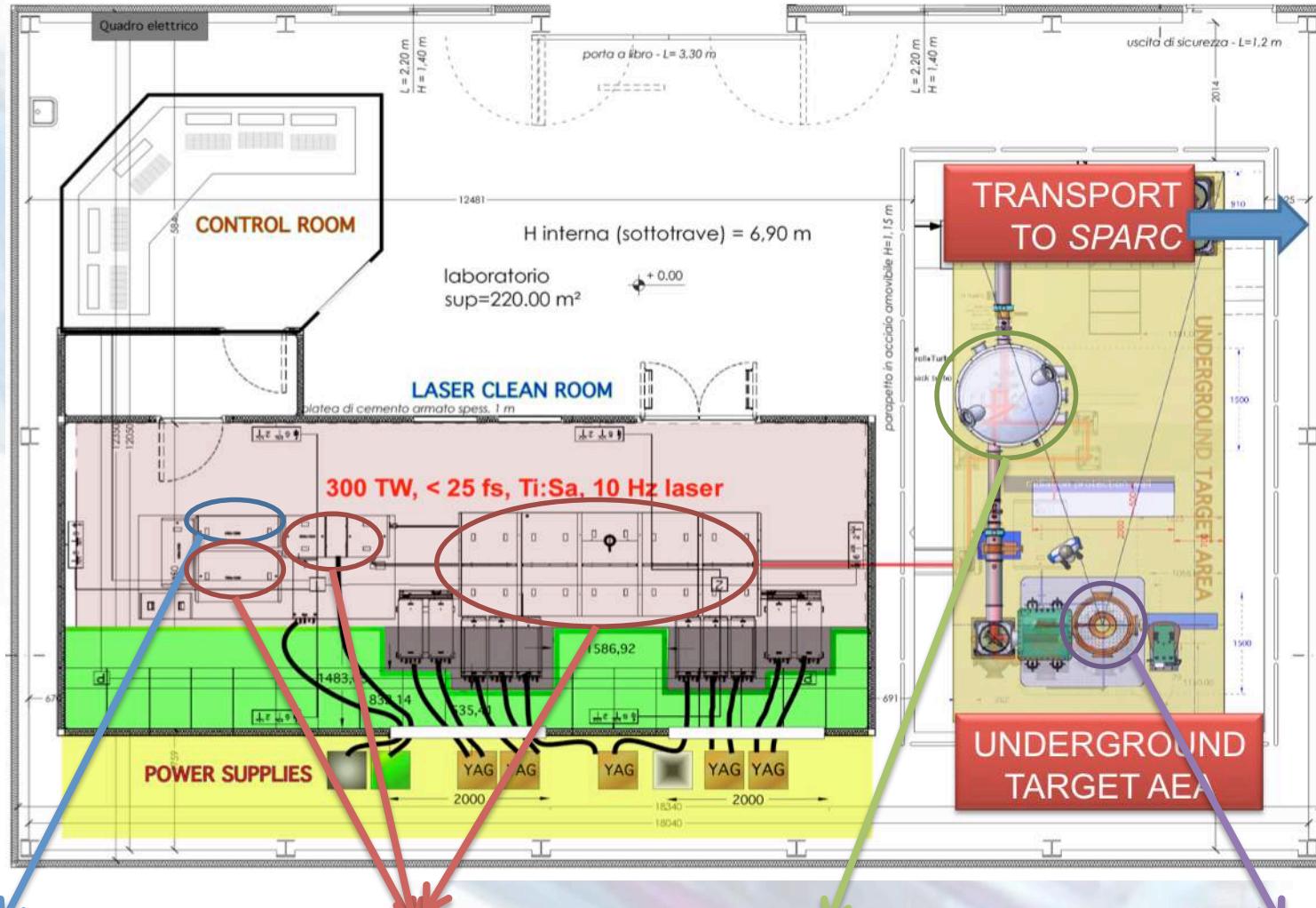
# SPARC Injector + FEL



Achieved Parameters

Charge	200 pC	900 pC
Emittance	0.8 mm-mrad	2.2 mm-mrad
Energy	5.65 MeV	5.55 MeV
Energy spread	1 %	2.6 %
Pulse length	8 ps	12 ps

# Ti:Sa FLAME laser (PLASMONX)



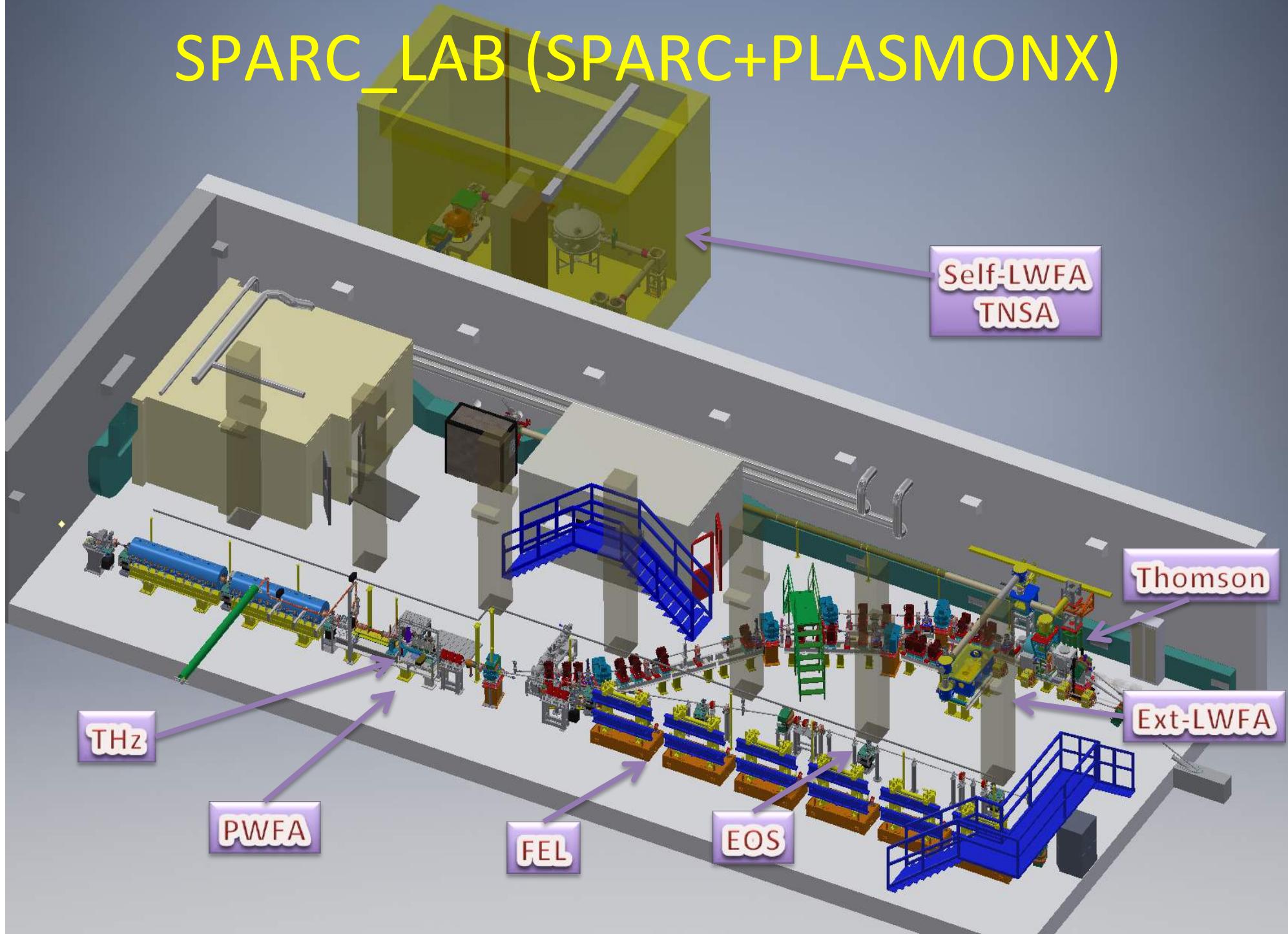
Stretcher

Amplifiers

Compressor

LWFA  
Electron Self Injection  
And  
Protons

# SPARC\_LAB (SPARC+PLASMONX)





# Il laser FLAME

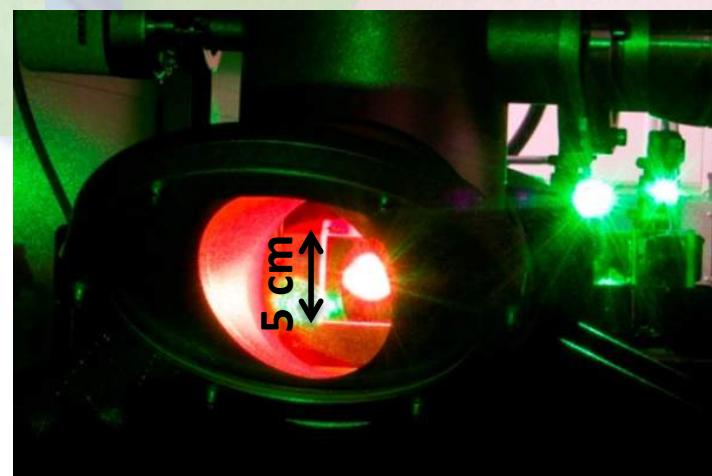
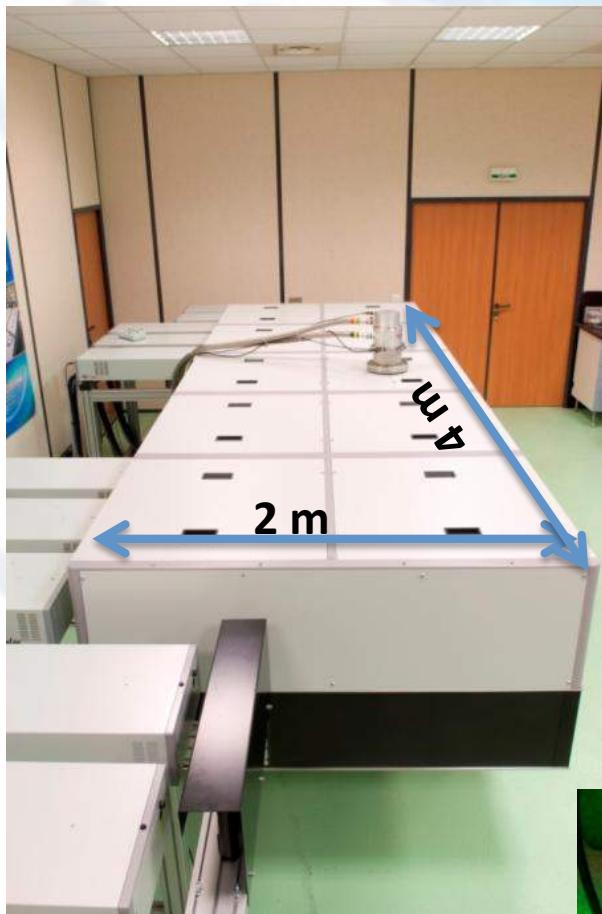
Frascati Laser for Acceleration and Multi-disciplinary Experiments



Il progetto su LWFA con self-injection a FLAME è stato istituito nel 2004 da una estesa collaborazione. Un technical design report è seguito all'intenso lavoro precursore di ricerca e sviluppo sull'interazione laser-plasma con gas-jet e LWFA all'Intense Laser Lab (CNR-Pisa), LOA (Palaiseau) e CEA (Saclay).

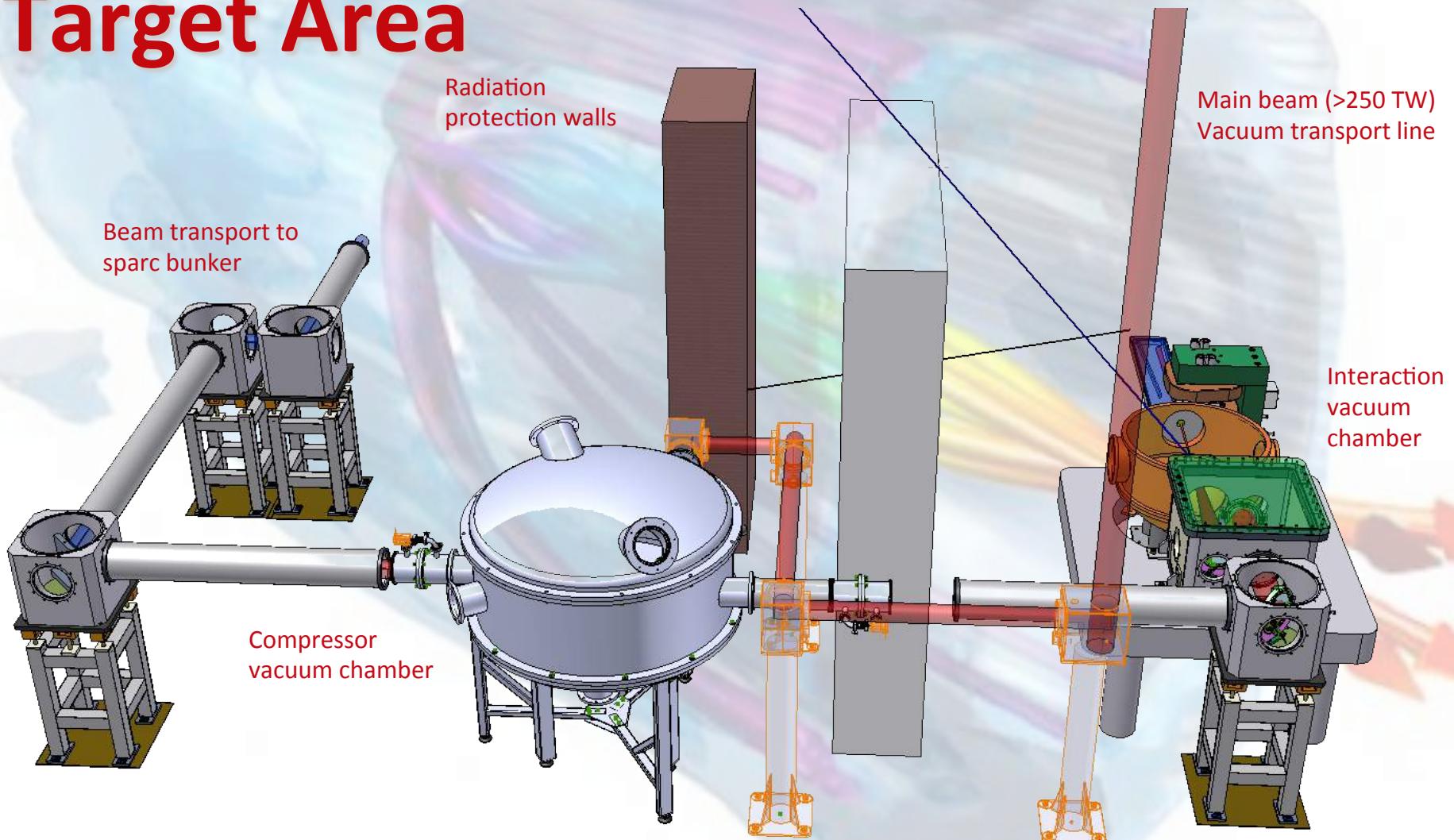
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# II laser FLAME

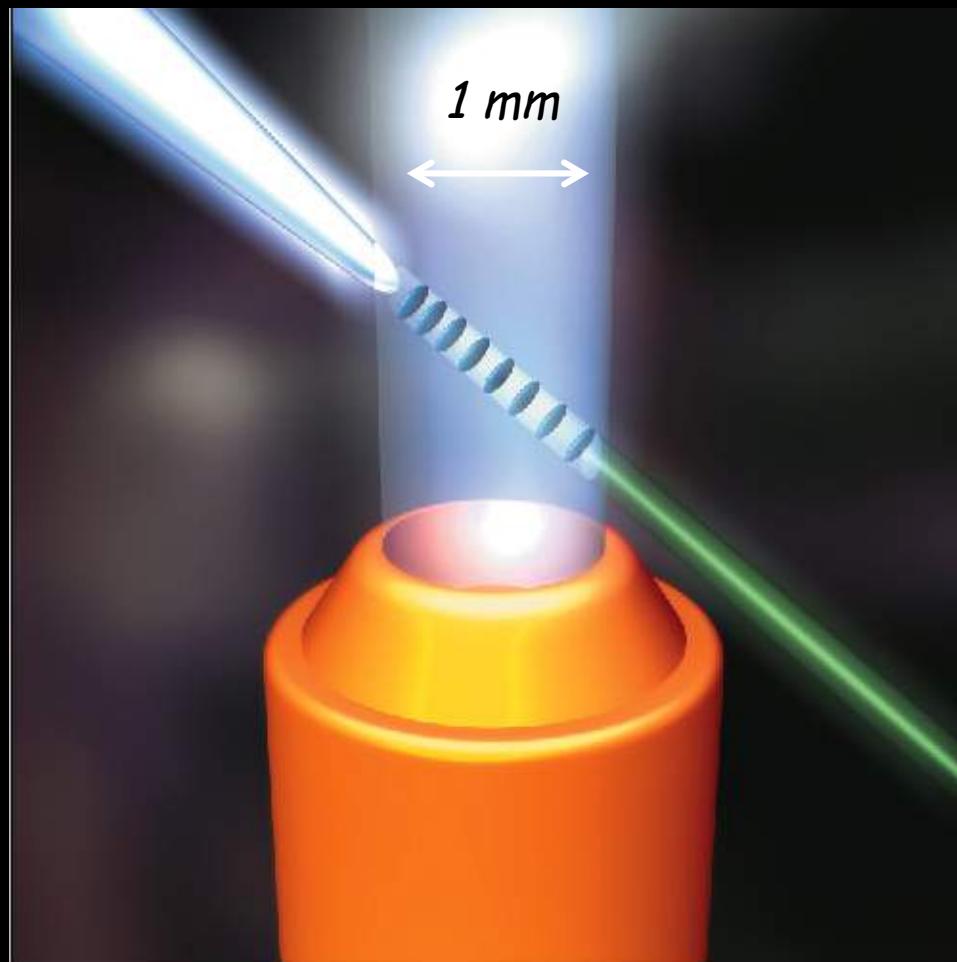


# Esperimenti di auto-iniezione

## Target Area



# Direct production of e-beam

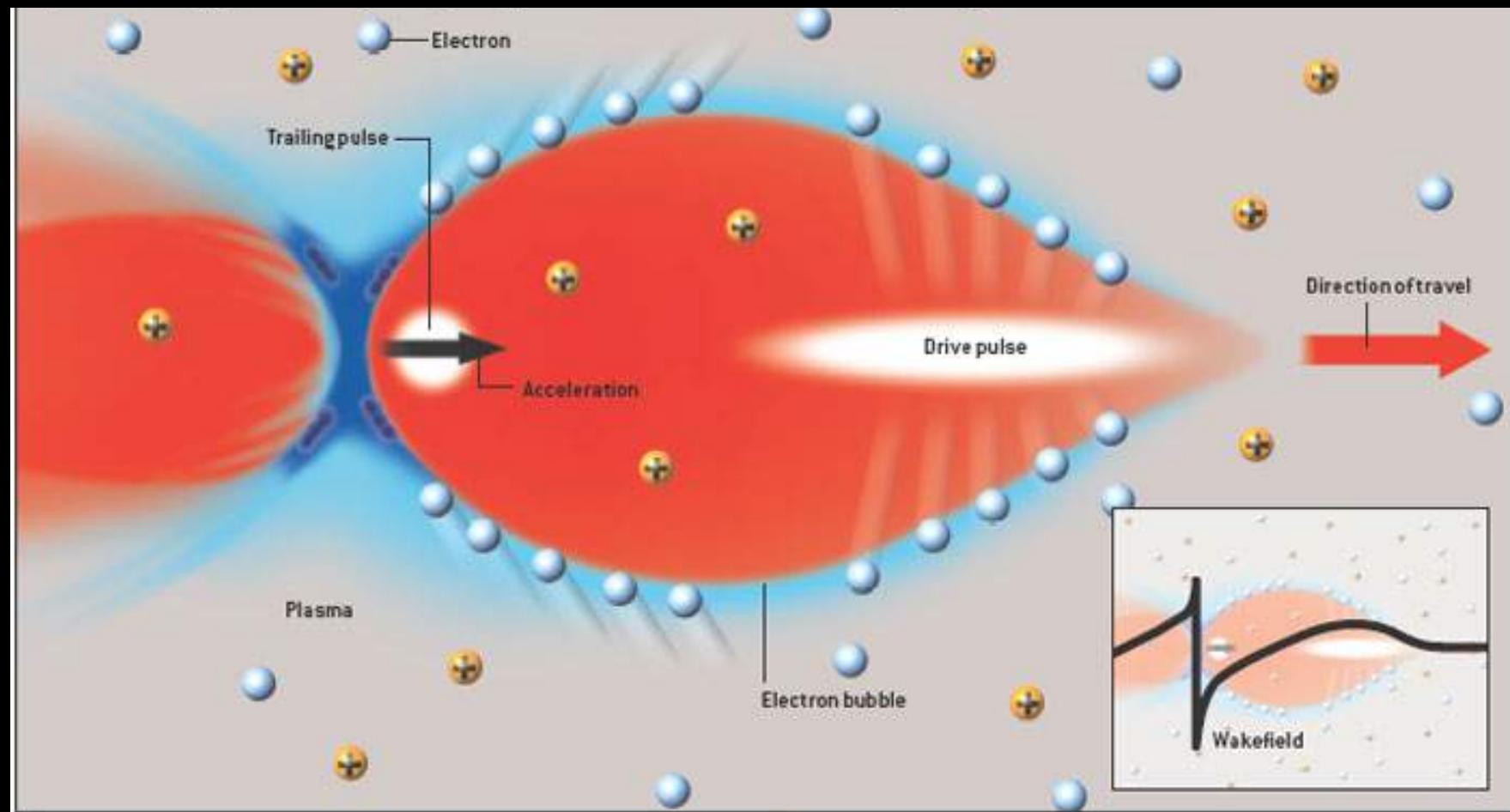


## Laser Electron Accelerator

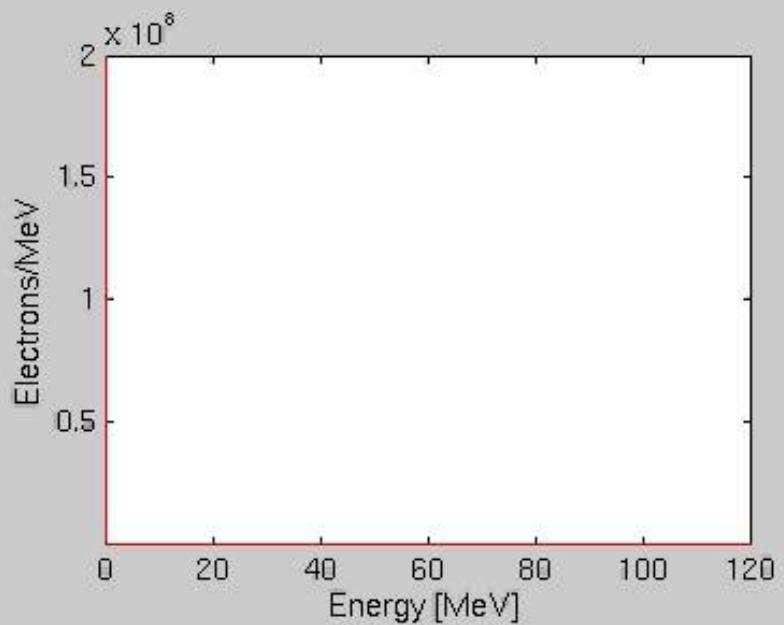
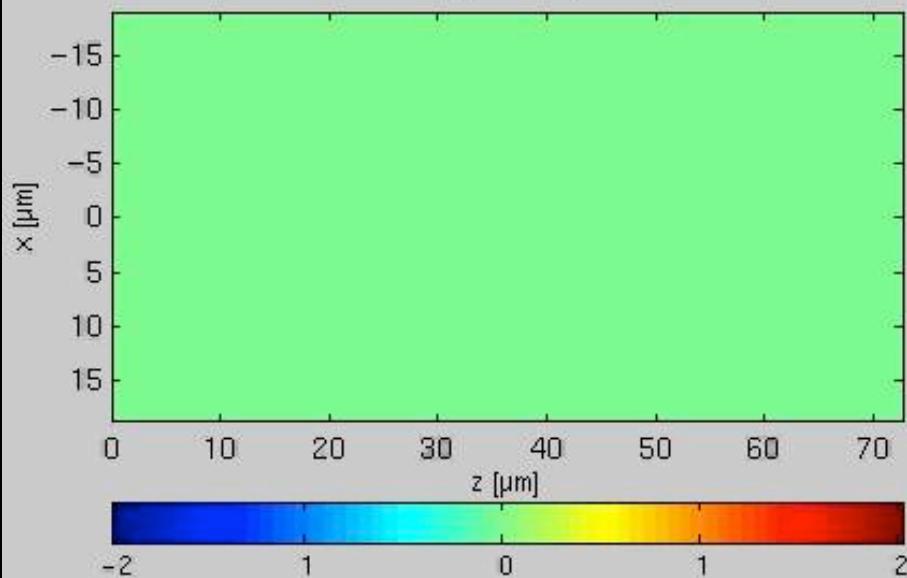
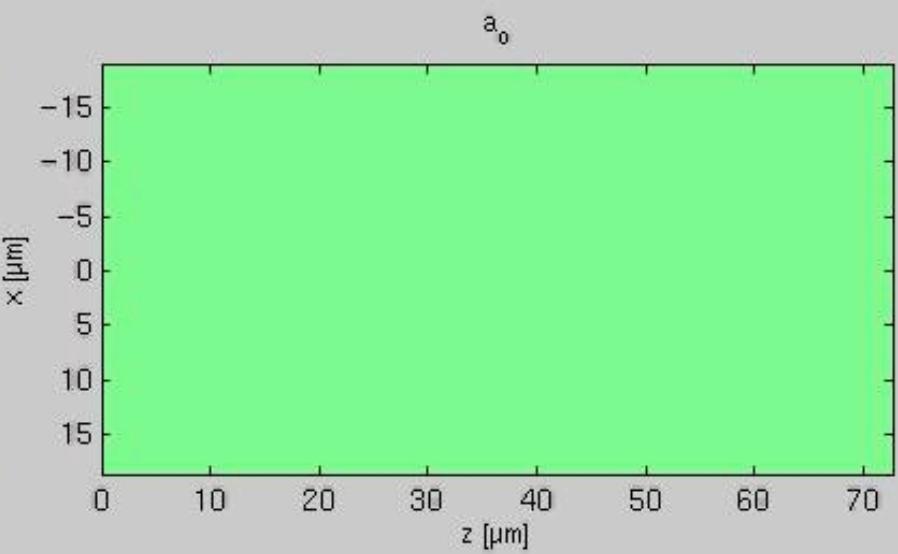
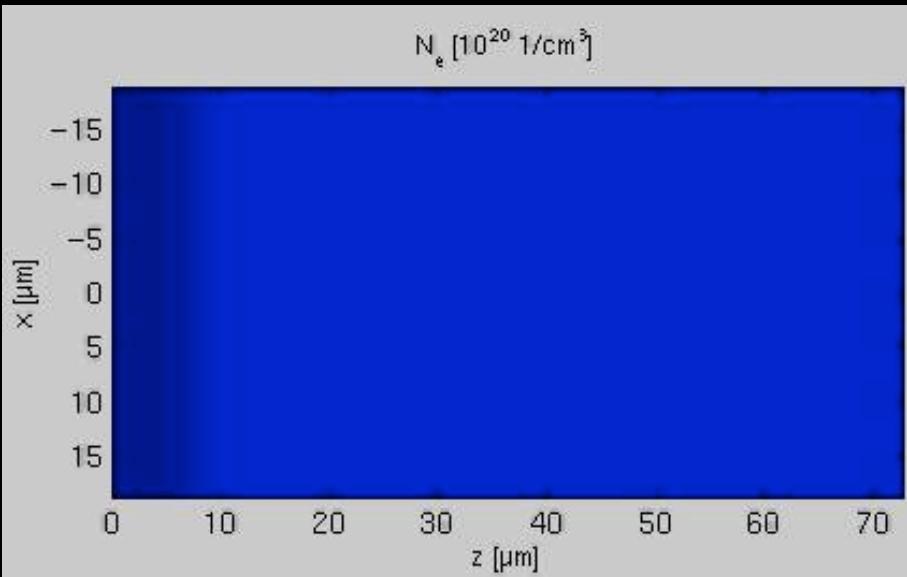
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$$E_0 = \frac{m_e c \omega_p}{e} \approx 100 \left[ \frac{GeV}{m} \right] \cdot \sqrt{n_0 [10^{18} cm^{-3}]}$$



# FLAME RESULTS

- Plasma accelerators studies

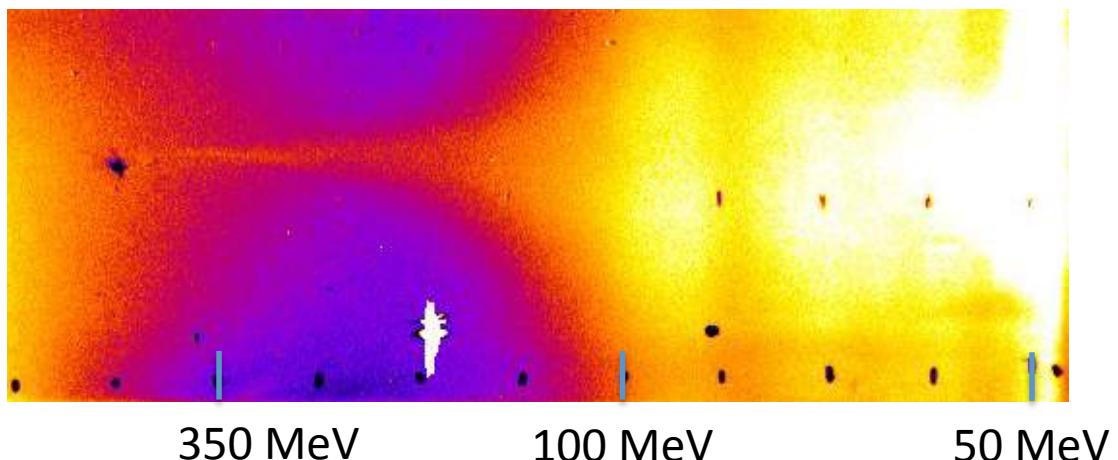
$E_{\text{laser}} = 2 \text{ J}$       Laser length = 35-40 fs.

Accelerating length  $\approx 2 \text{ mm}$  (gas-jet)

$E_{e^-} = 350 \text{ MeV}$

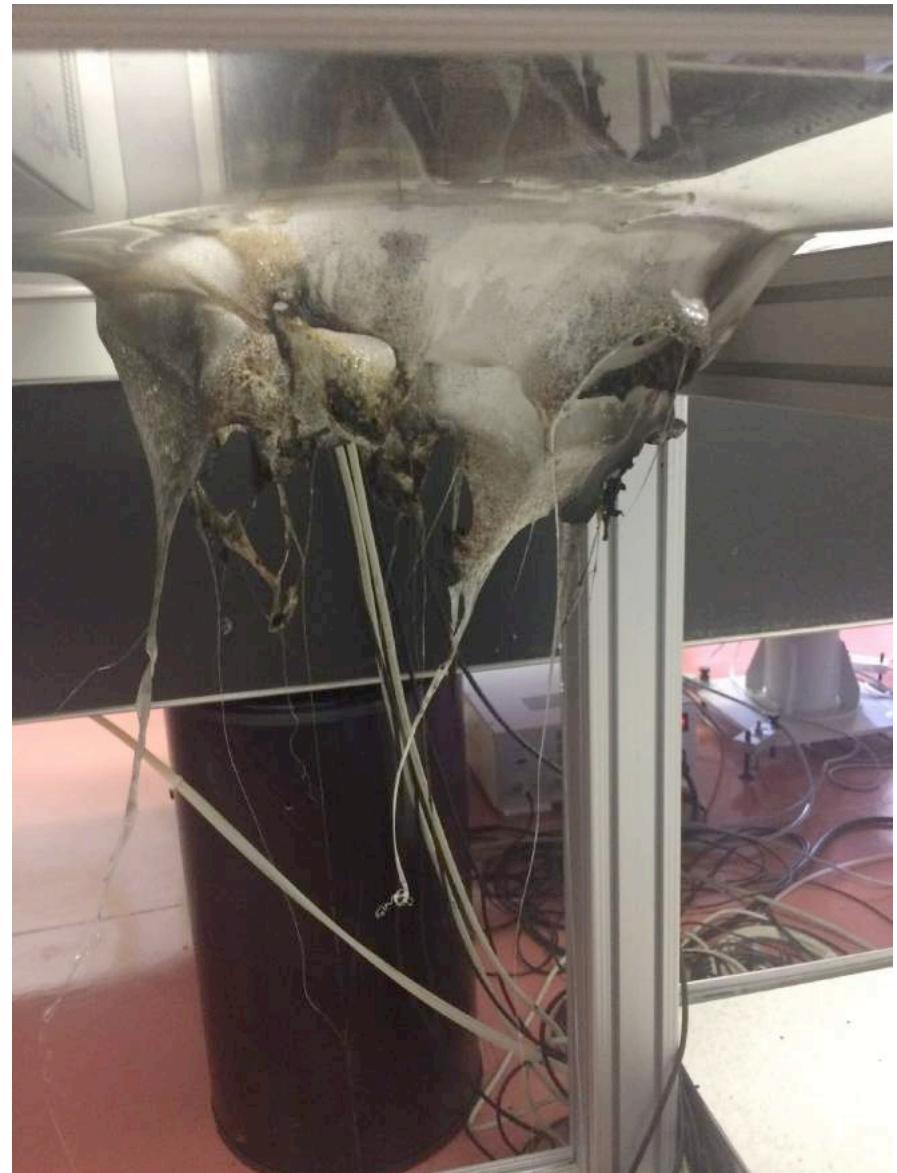
Divergence = few mrad

Integrated accelerating field  $\approx 200 \text{ GV/m}$ .

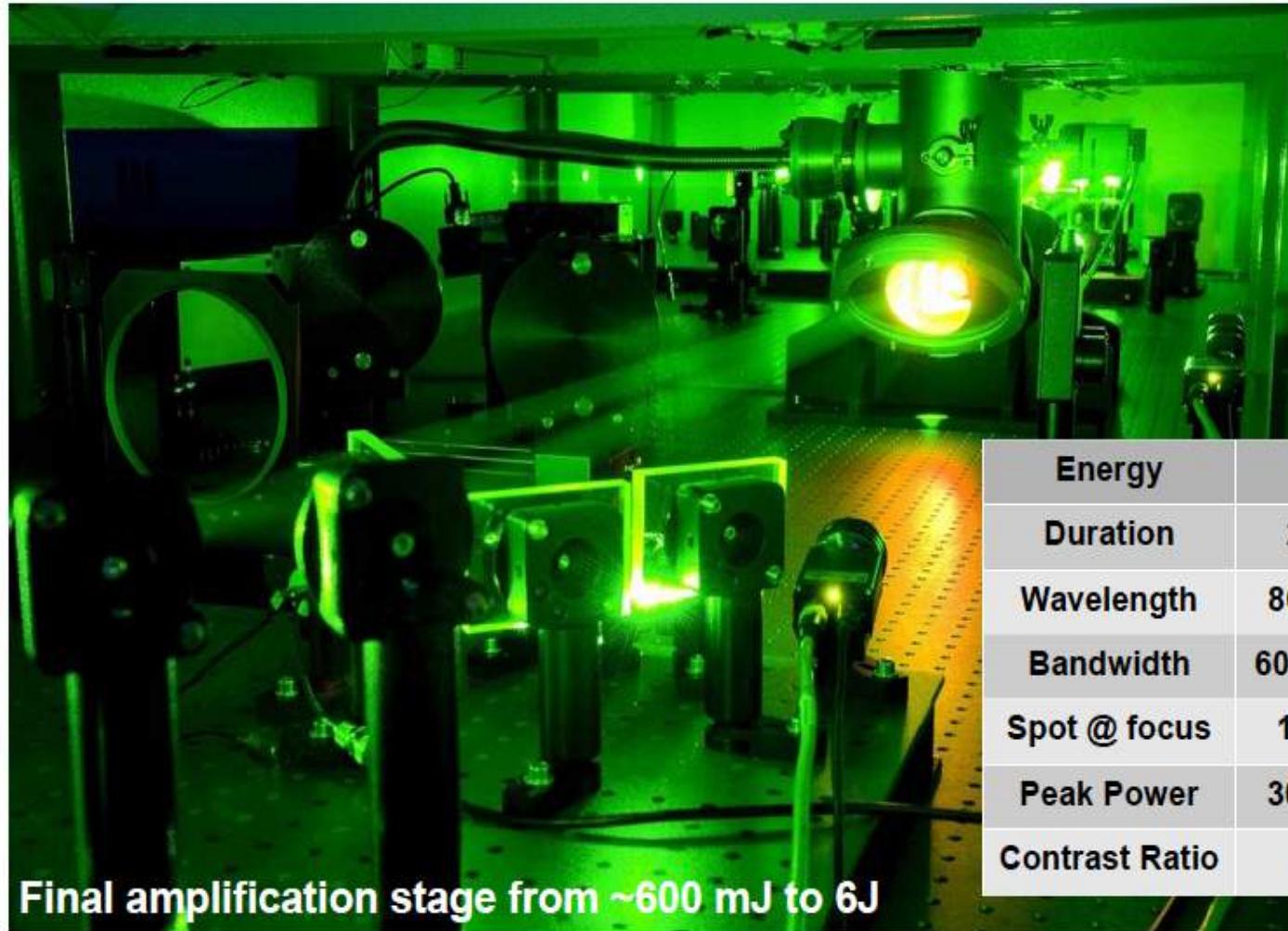


# FLAME in FIAMME

A fire accident has stopped suddenly FLAME operations.... **October 2016**



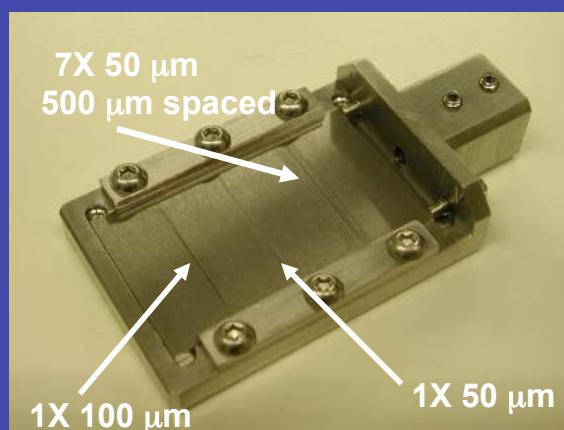
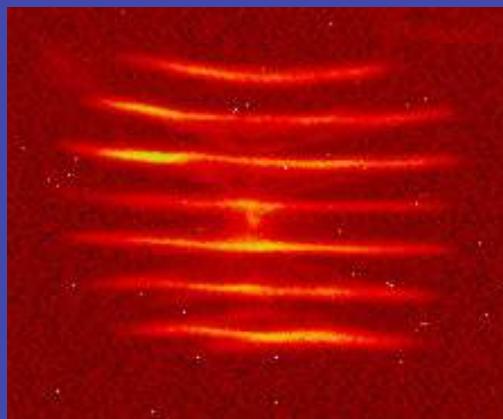
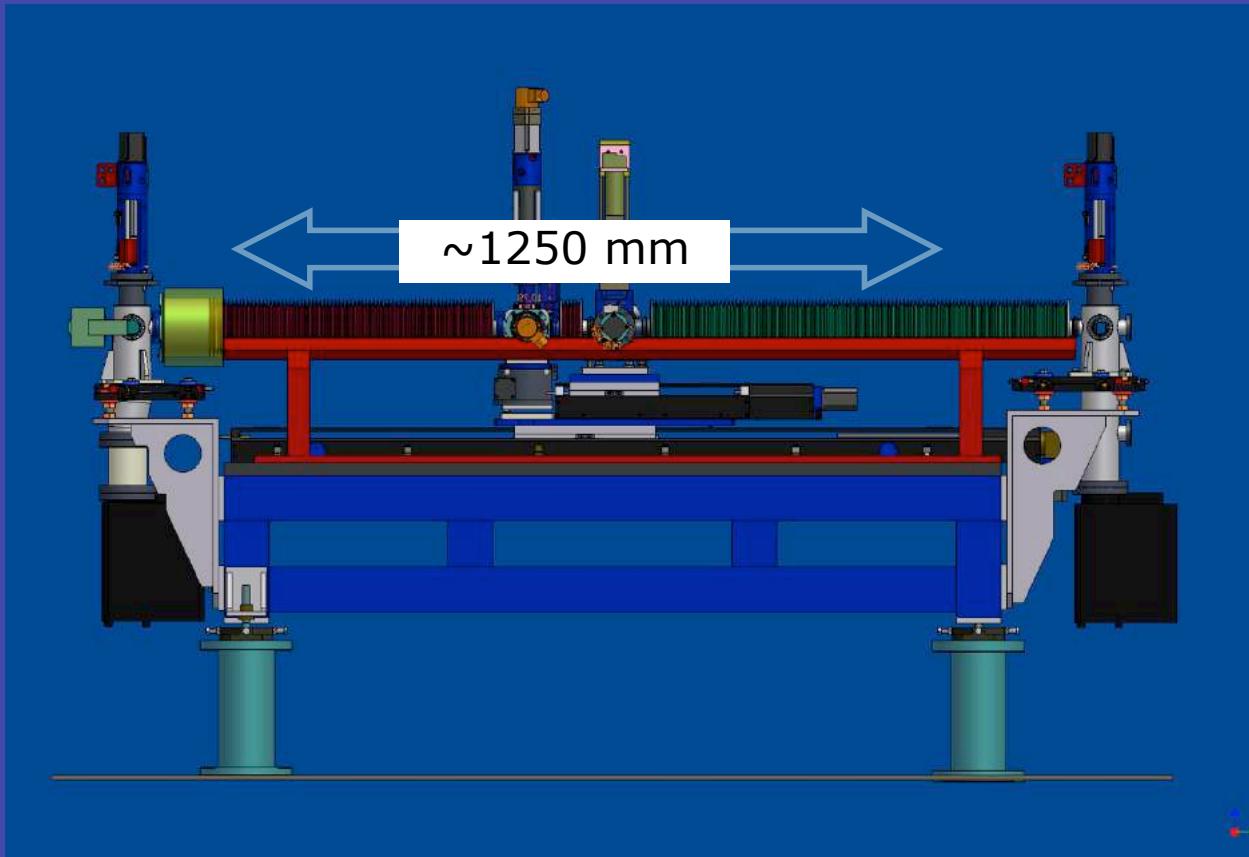
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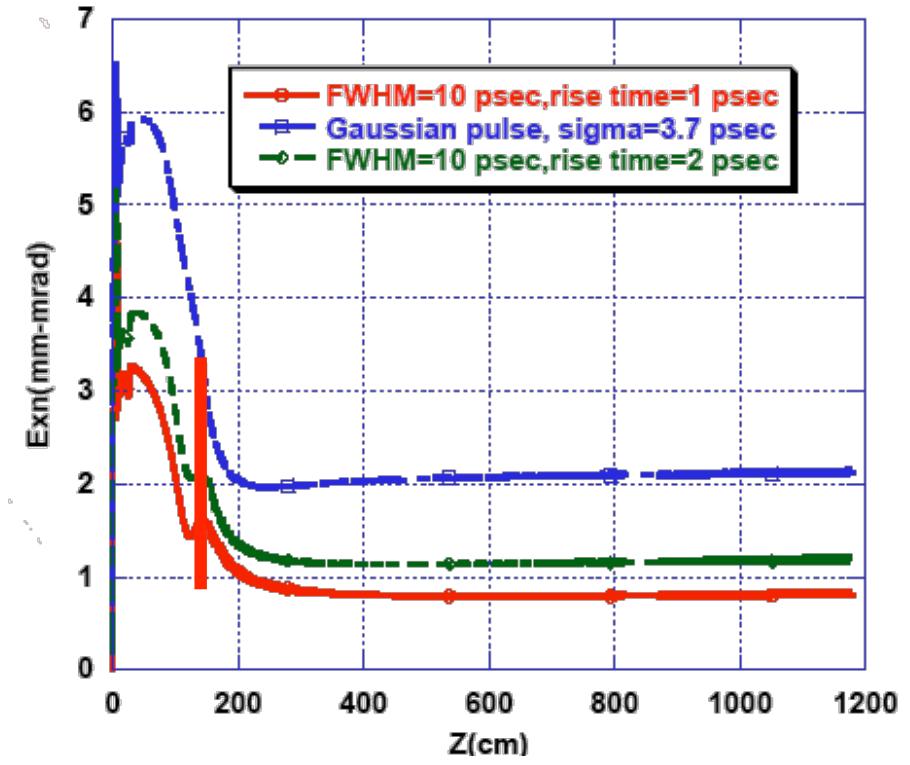
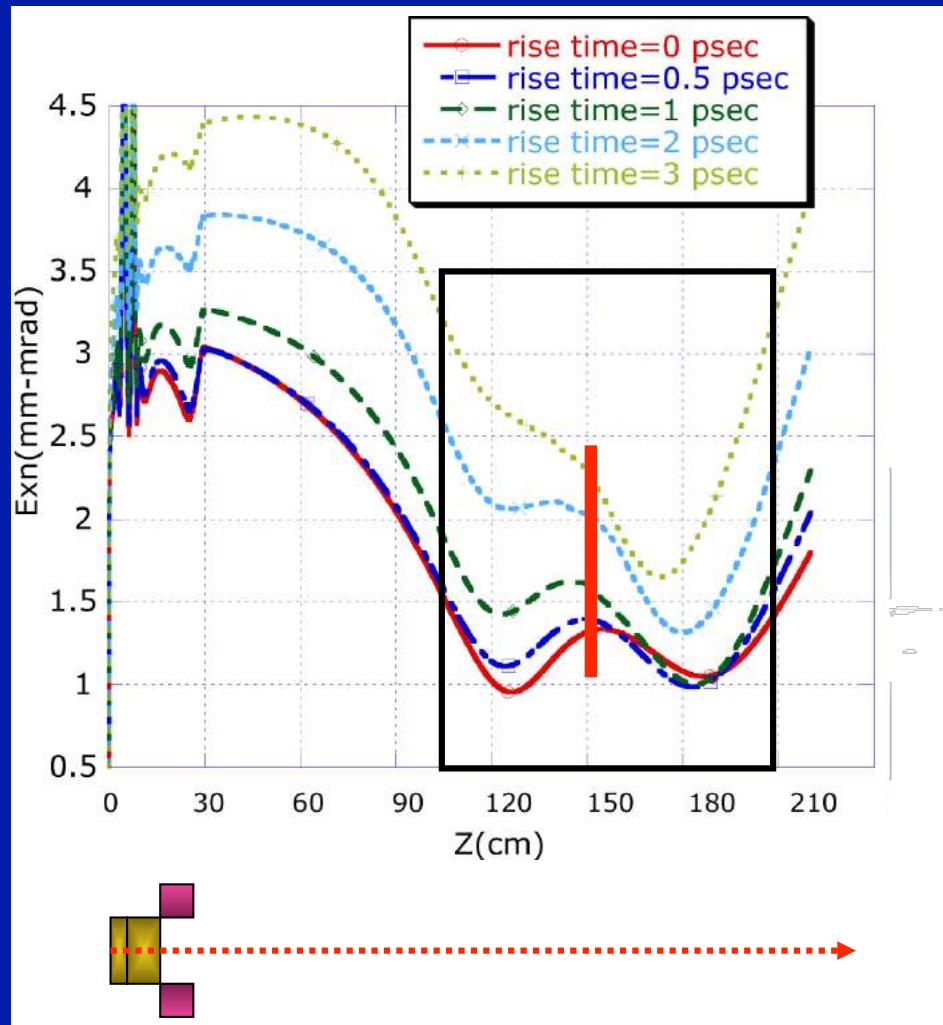


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# The SPARC Emittance Meter



# Emittance evolution for different pulse shapes



Optimum injection in to the linac with:

$$\sigma' = 0$$

$$\gamma' = \frac{eE_{acc}}{mc^2} = \frac{2}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{I}{2\gamma I_A}}$$

## Direct Measurement of the Double Emittance Minimum in the Beam Dynamics of the Sparc High-Brightness Photoinjector

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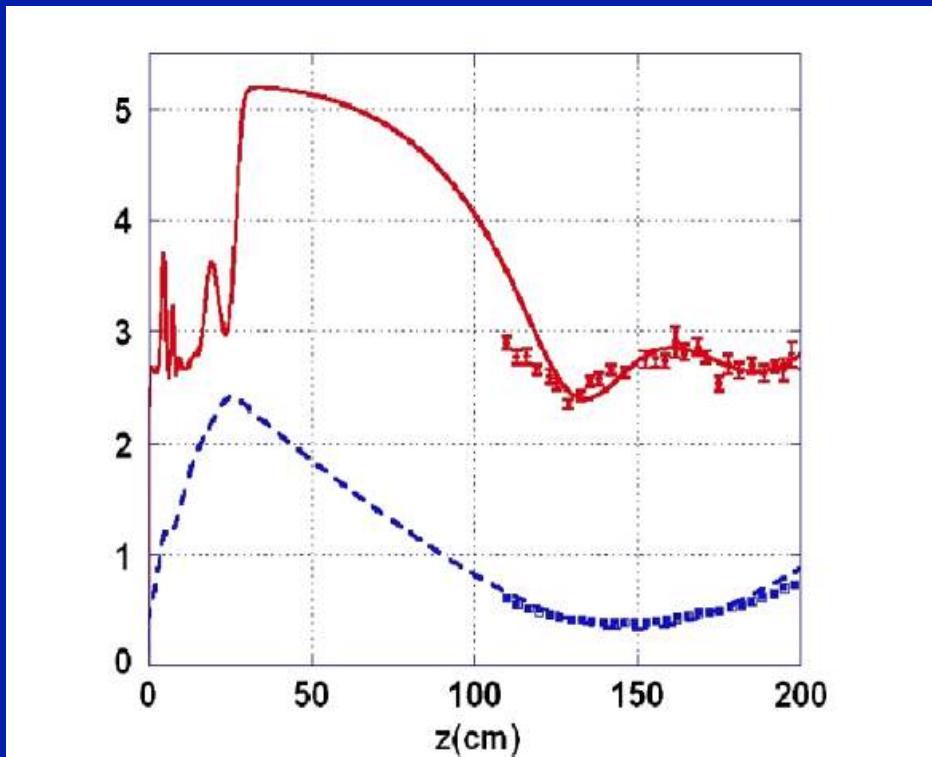
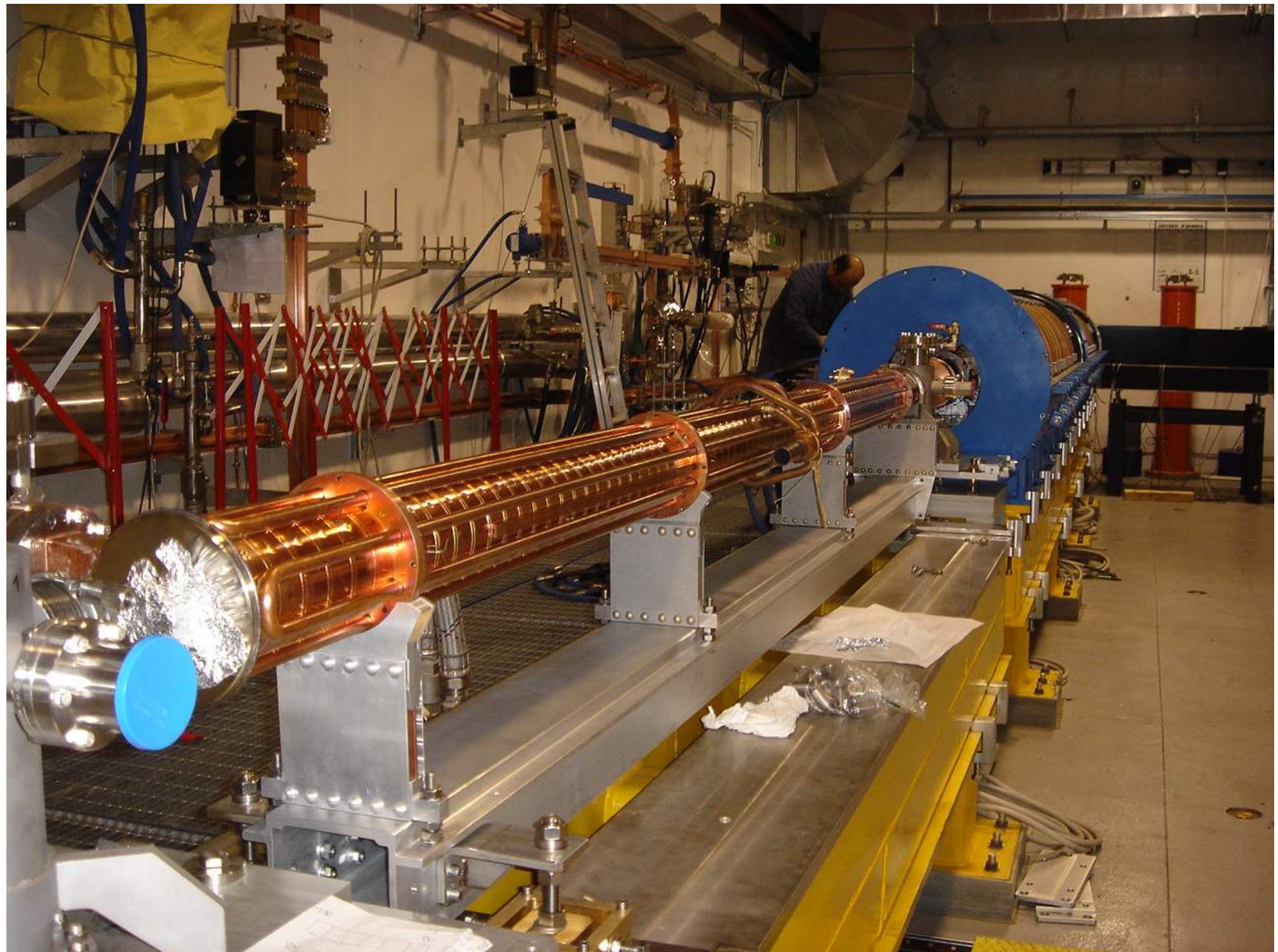
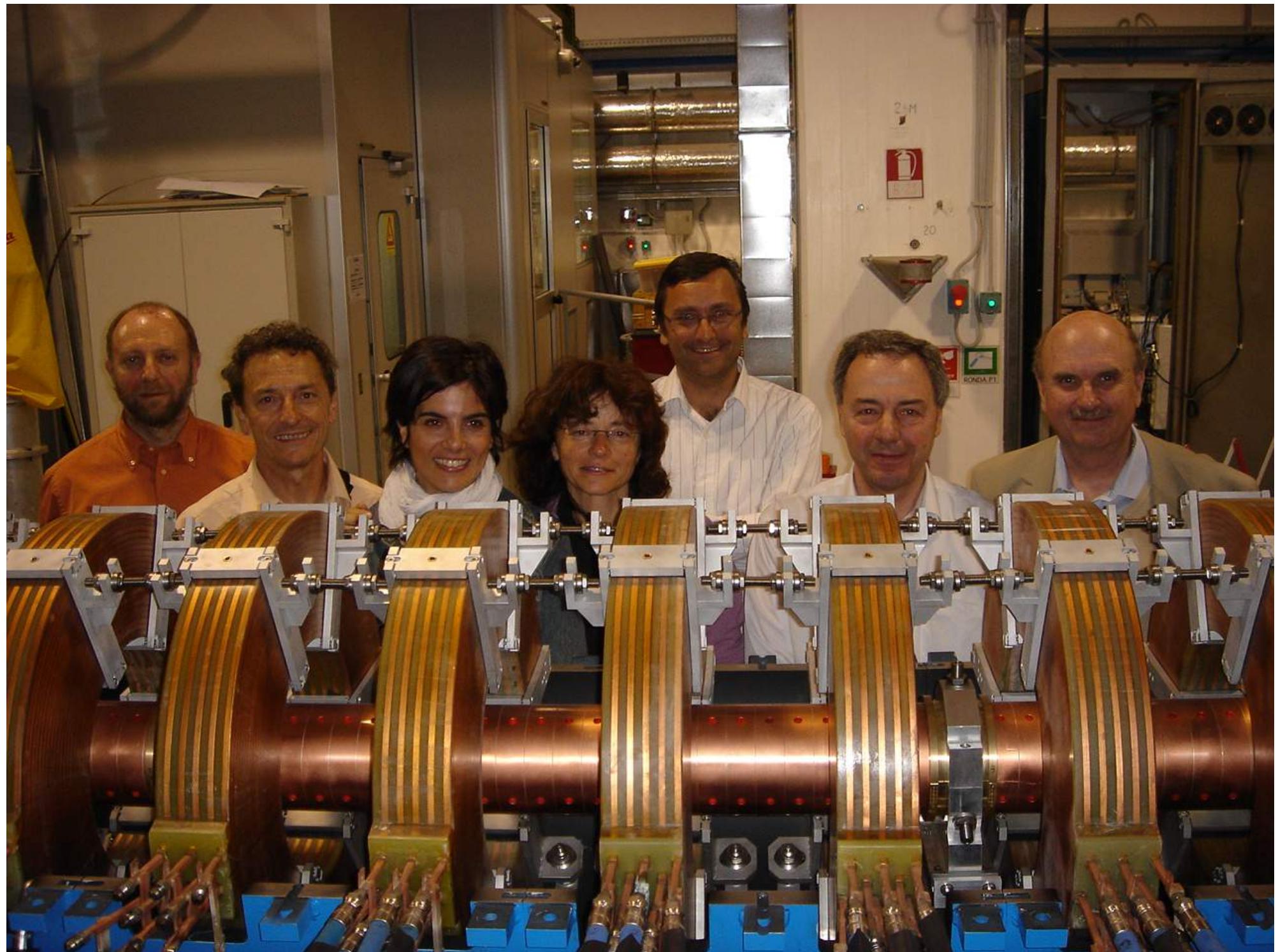
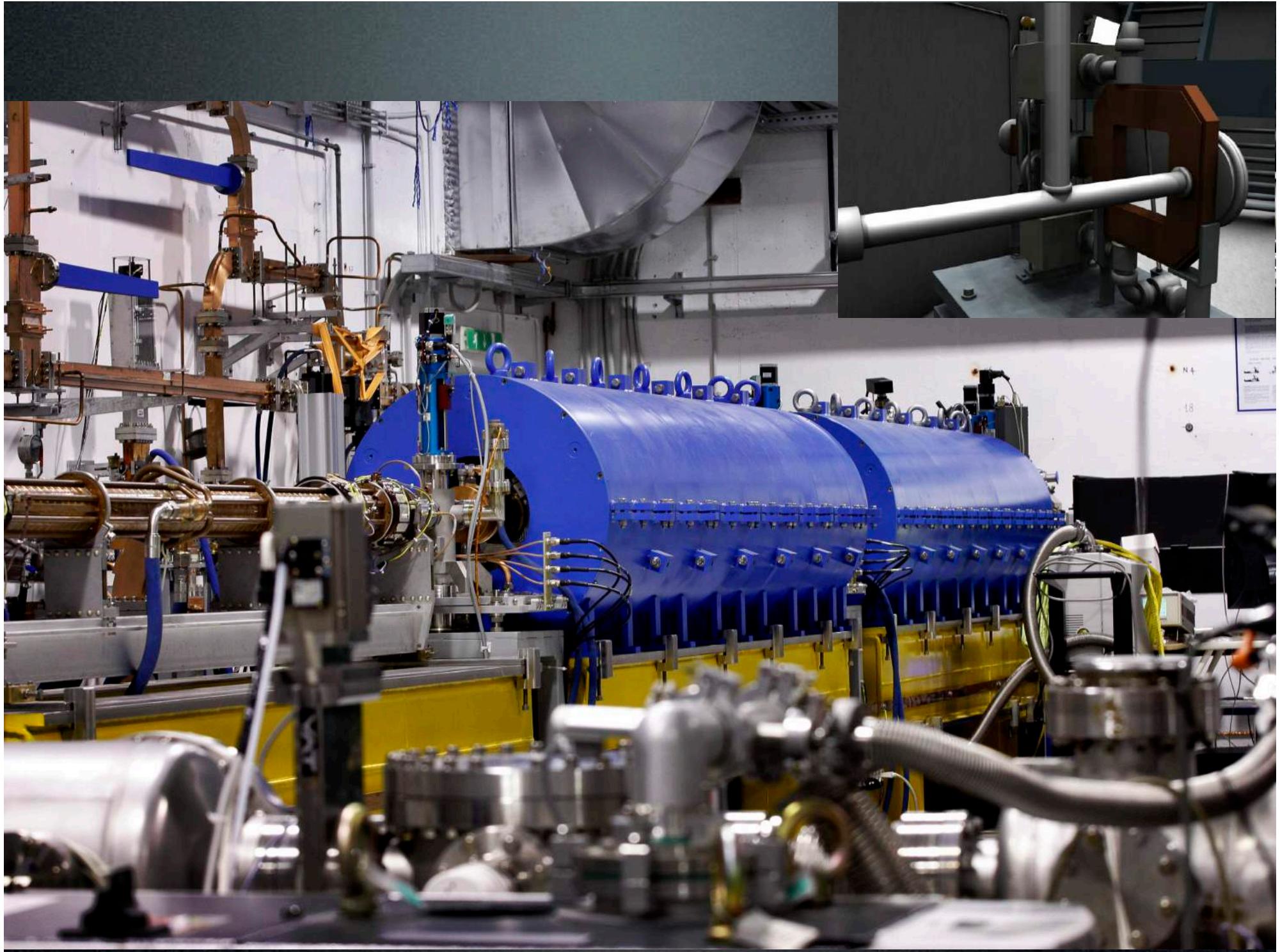


FIG. 6 (color online). rms envelope and rms norm. emittance evolution from the cathode up to the beam line end as computed by PARMELA, compared to measurements taken in the emittance-meter range.



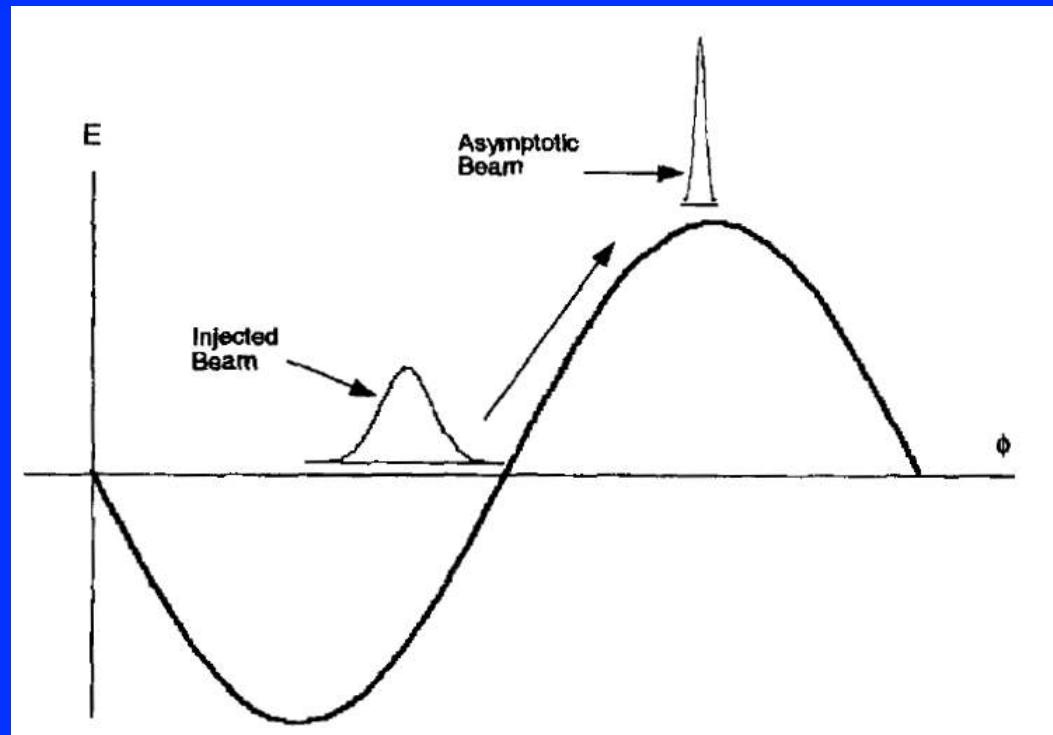




# Velocity bunching concept (RF Compressor)

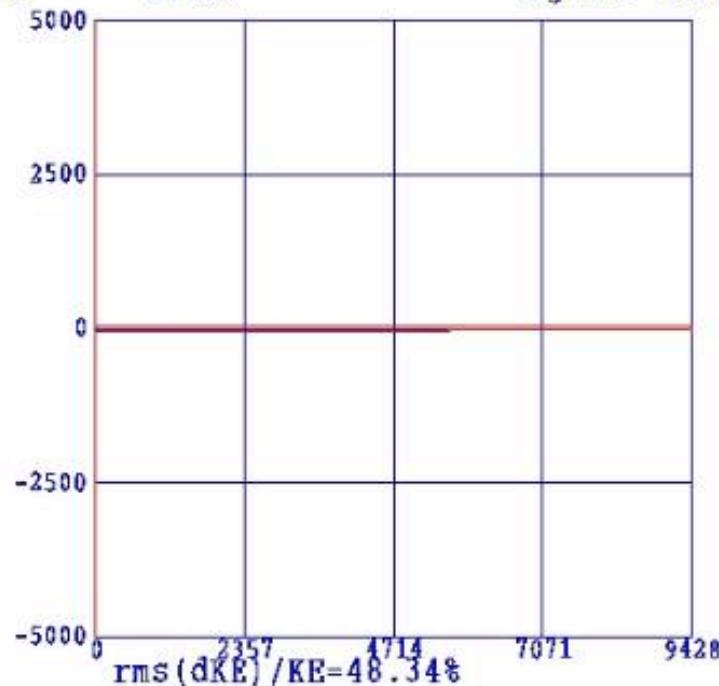
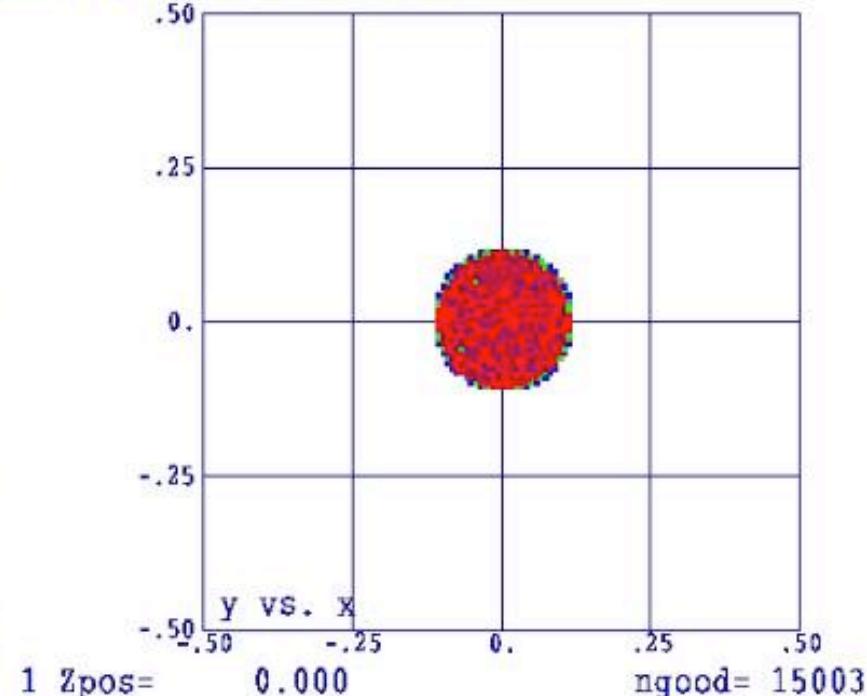
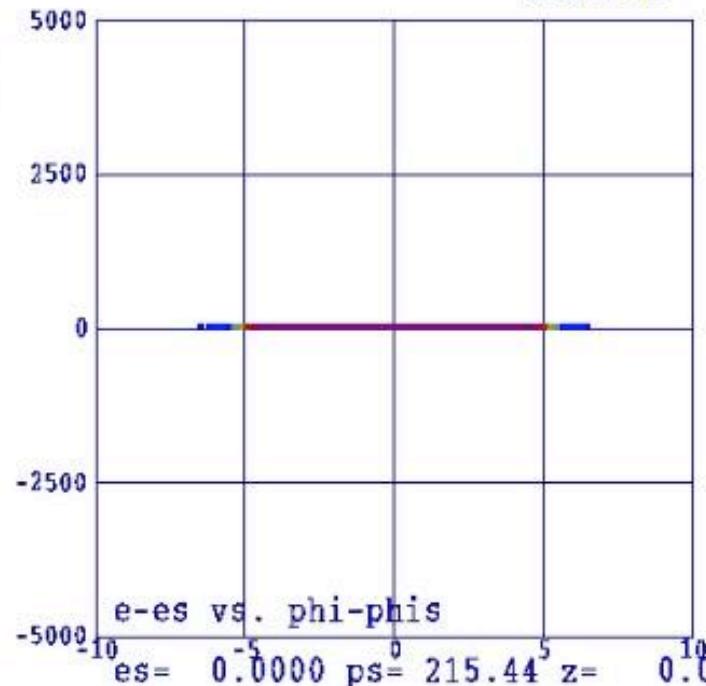
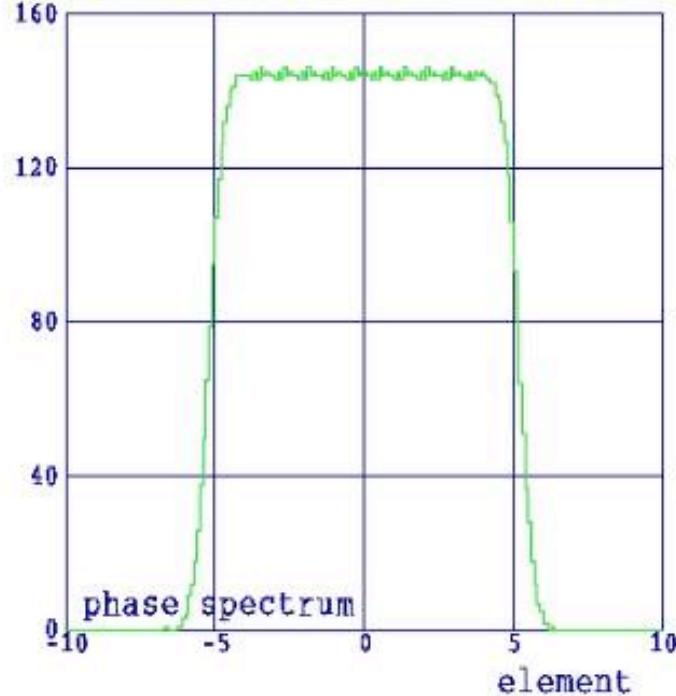
If the beam injected in a long accelerating structure at the crossing field phase and it is slightly slower than the phase velocity of the RF wave , it will slip back to phases where the field is accelerating, but at the same time it will be chirped and compressed.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_o &= -90 \\ \varphi &= 0\end{aligned}$$

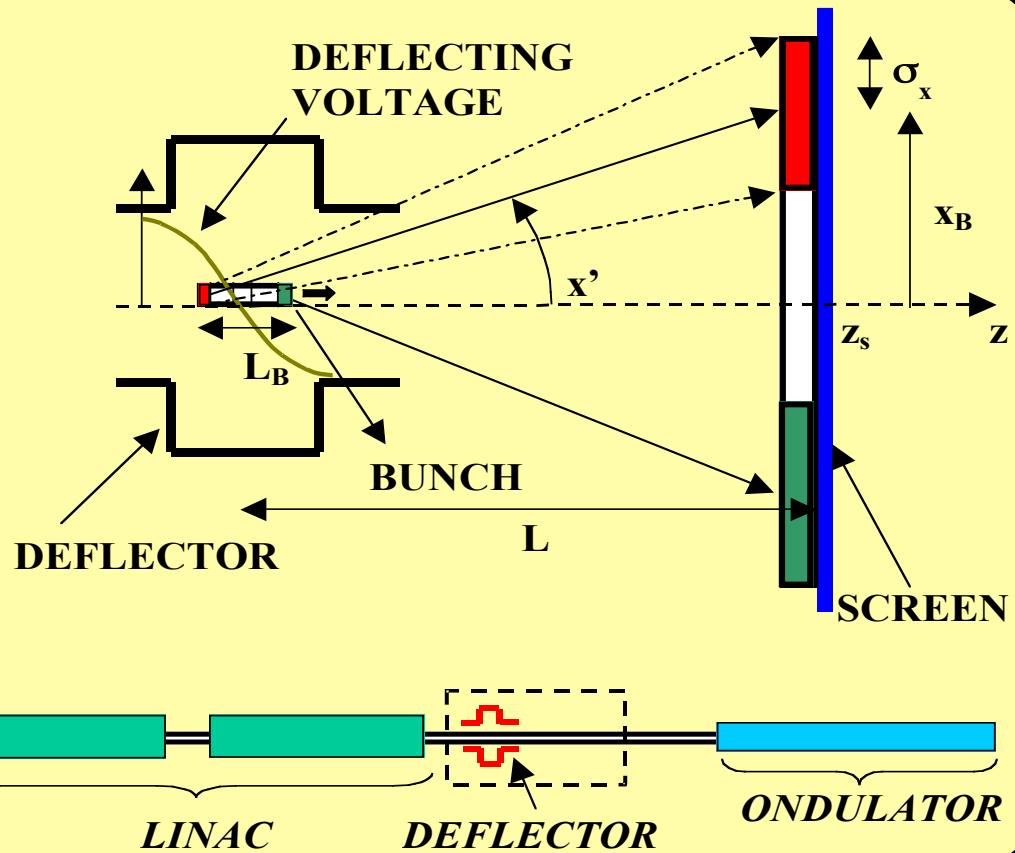


The key point is that compression and acceleration take place at the same time within the same linac section, actually the first section following the gun, that typically accelerates the beam, under these conditions, from a few MeV ( $> 4$ ) up to 25-35 MeV.

SPARC E=120 MV/m, fi=32, Q=1.1nC, ts=1 psec, FWHM=10 psec B=2.73KG

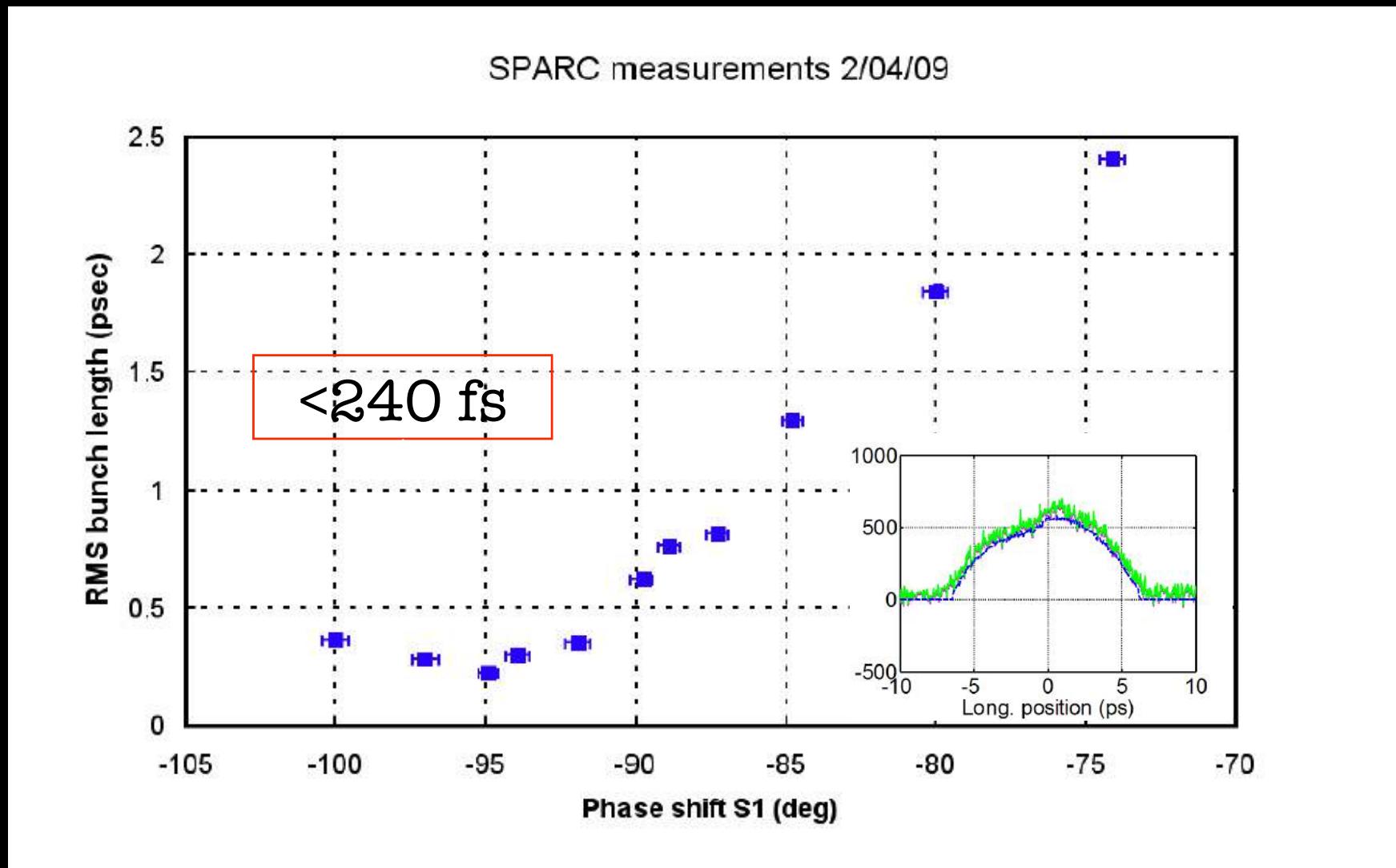


# Bunch length measurement (RF Deflector)



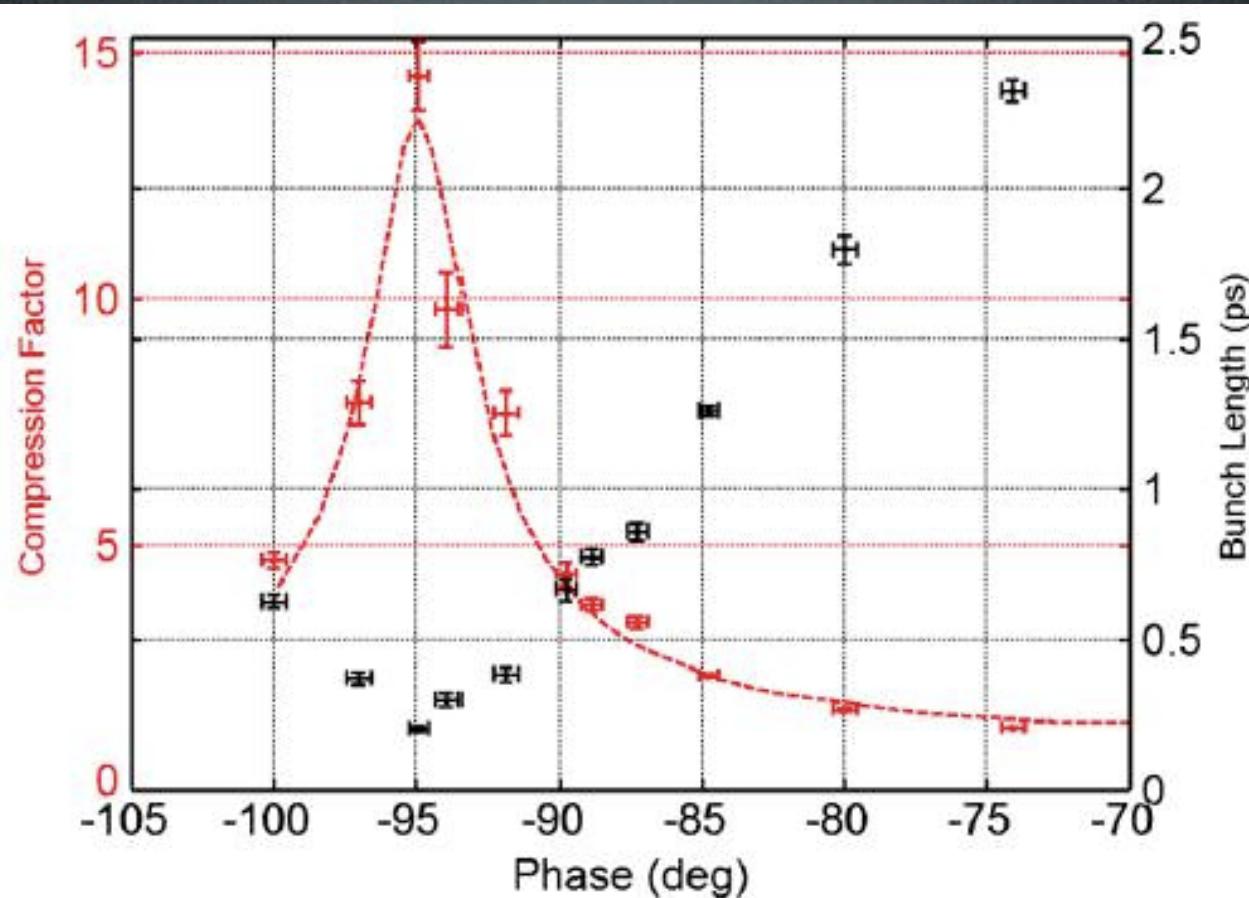
$$x_B = \frac{\pi f_{RF} L L_B V_\perp}{c E / e}$$

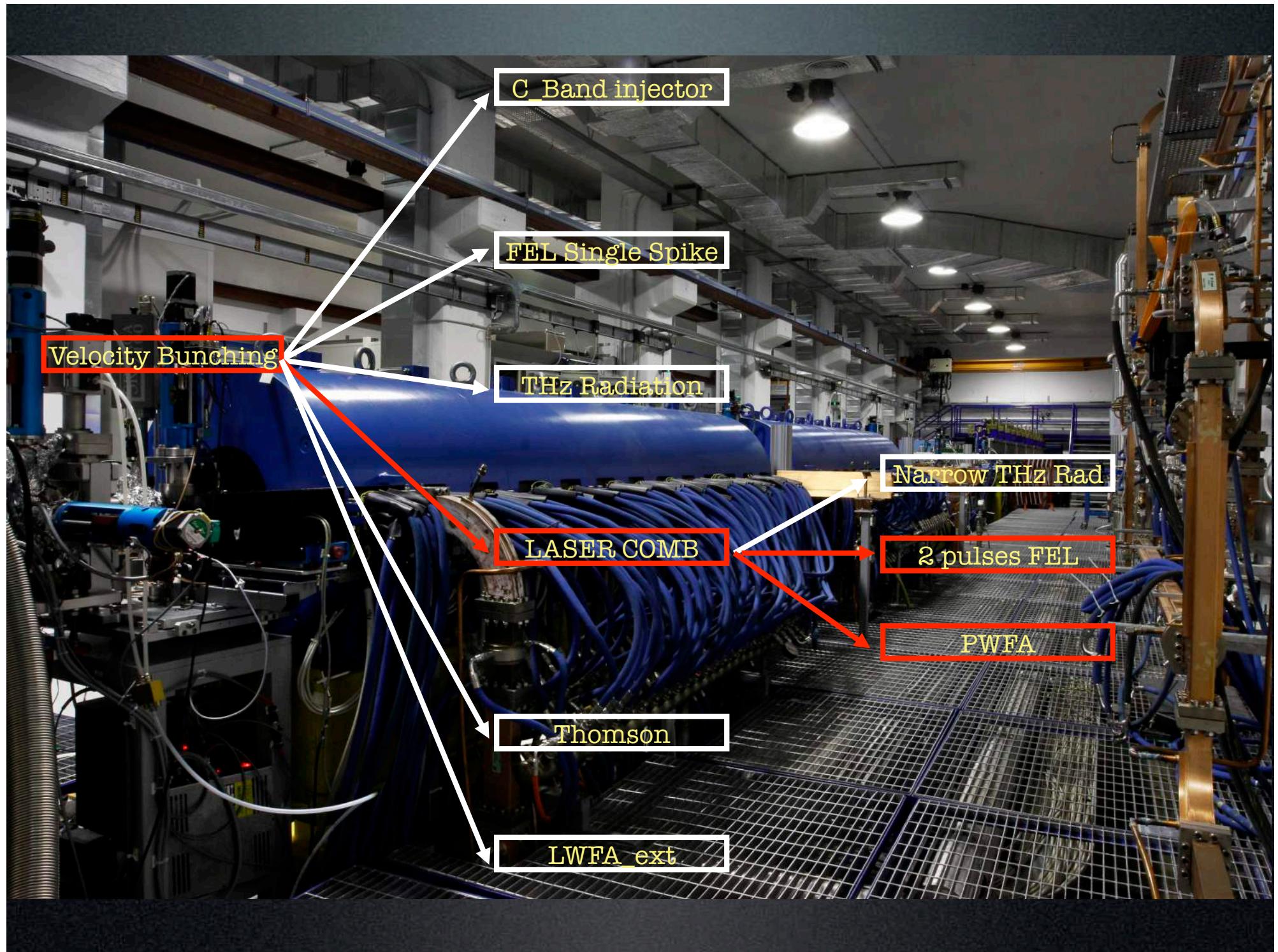
# Pulse length versus Velocity Bunching phase

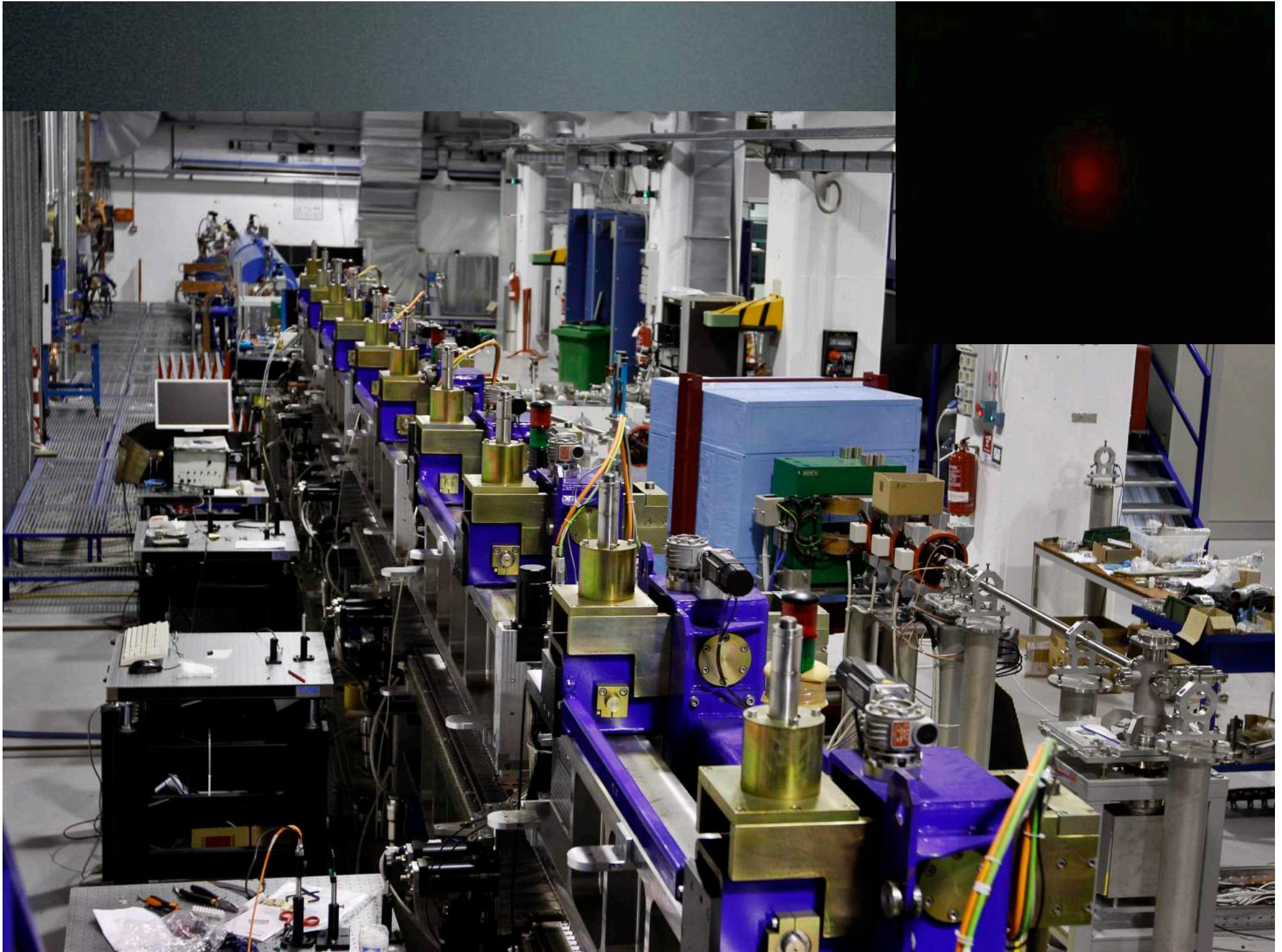


## Experimental Demonstration of Emittance Compensation with Velocity Bunching

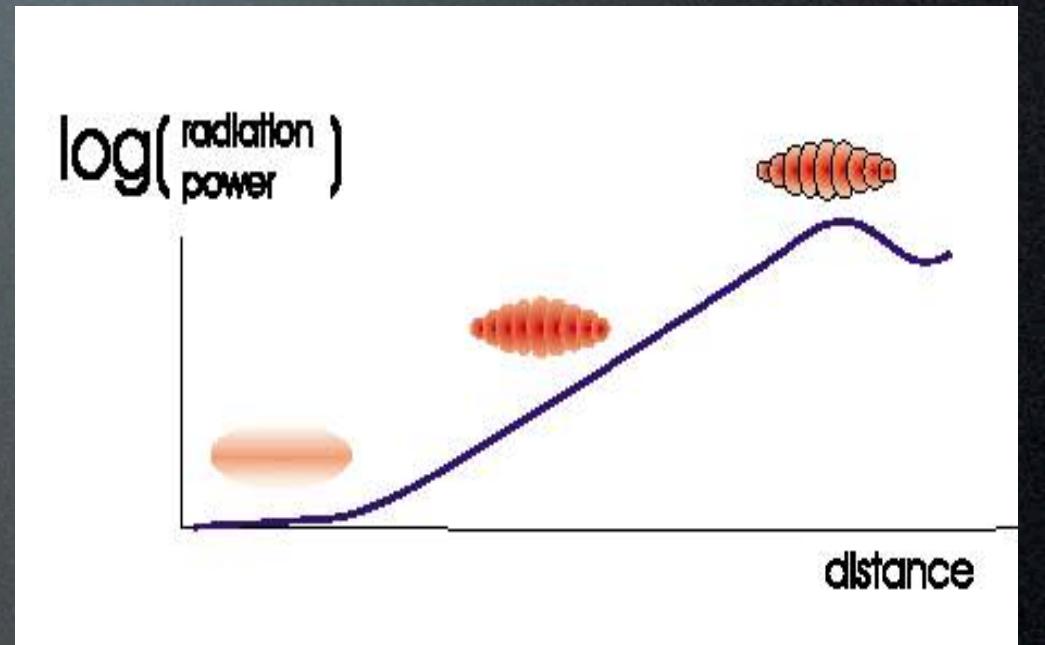
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A Free Electron Laser is a device that converts a fraction of the electron kinetic energy into coherent radiation via a collective instability in a long undulator



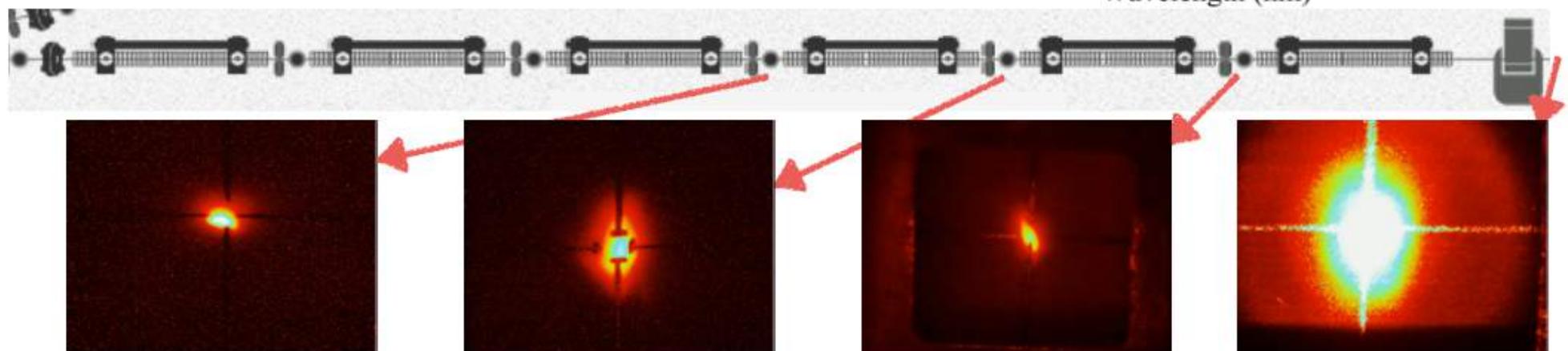
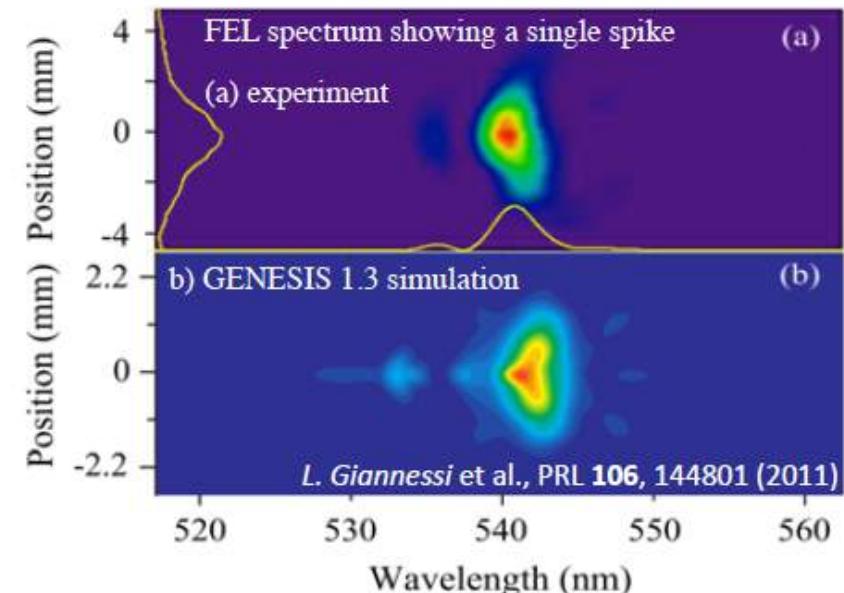
$$\lambda_{rad} \approx \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} + \gamma^2 \vartheta^2 \right)$$

(Tunability - Harmonics)



# SPARC\_LAB Achievements

- ♦ First experimental observation of emittance oscillation in a drift at low energy
  - ♦ Working point adopted in many photoinjector based user facilities
    - ♦ *Ferrario's working point*
- ♦ SASE FEL exponential gain in single spike



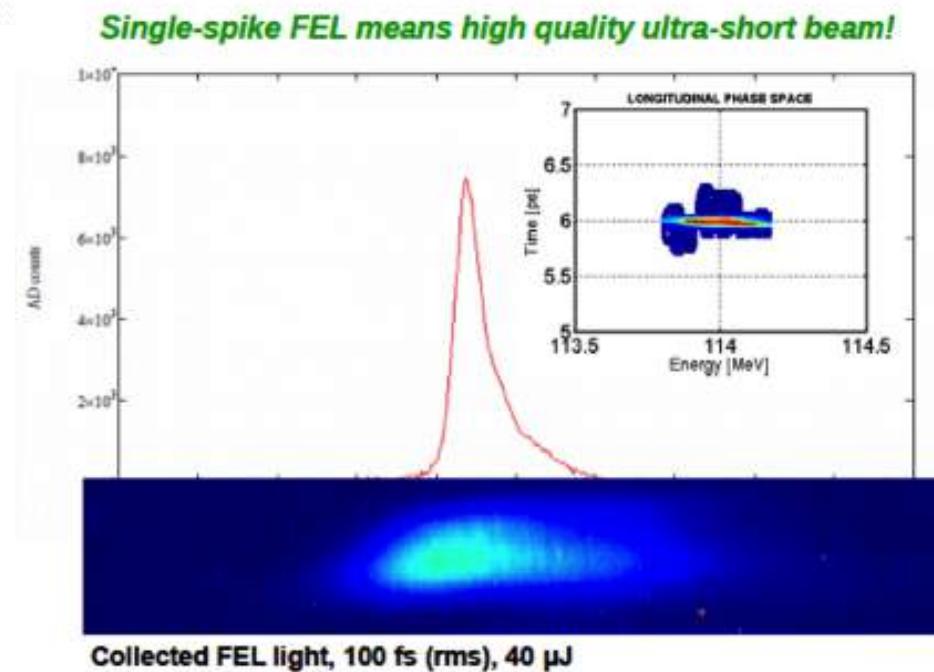
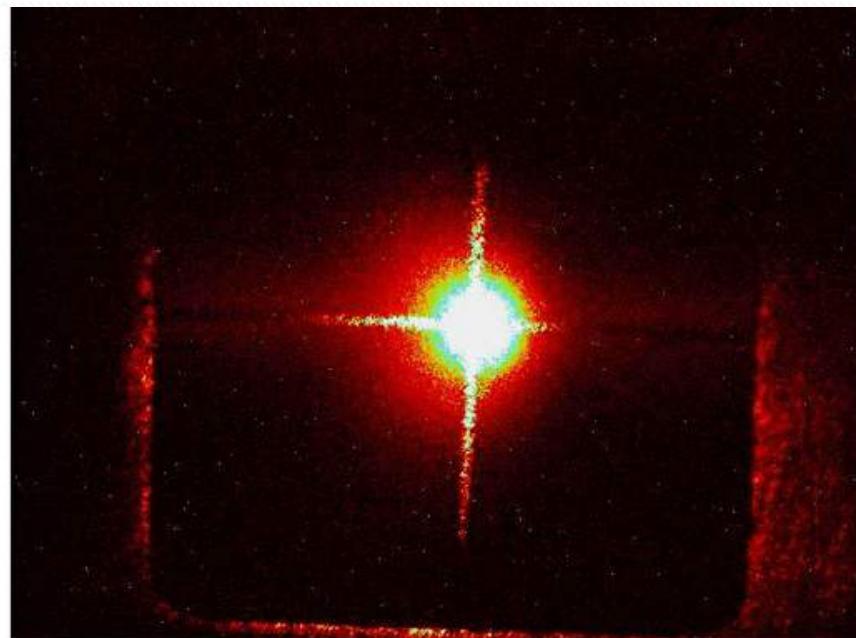
Electron beam image on view screens while the gap is closing. Weak FEL radiation already after the third module.

# Single Spike FEL

Short bunches compared to FEL Cooperation Length, have been sent into the SPARC FEL in the SASE regime **and Single Spike** behaviour lasing has been observed.

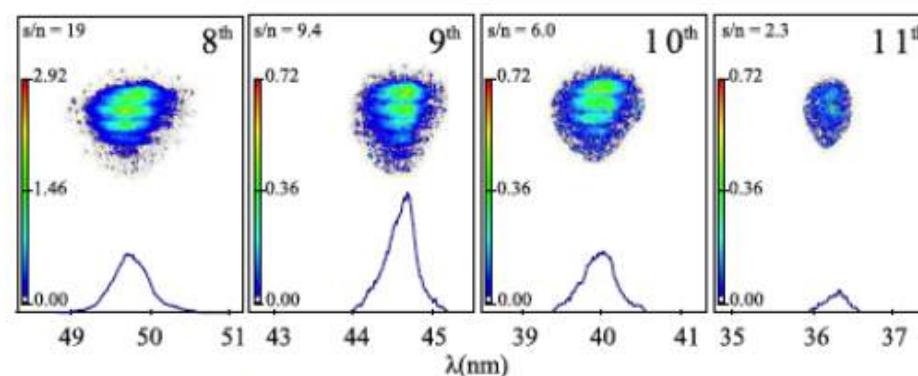
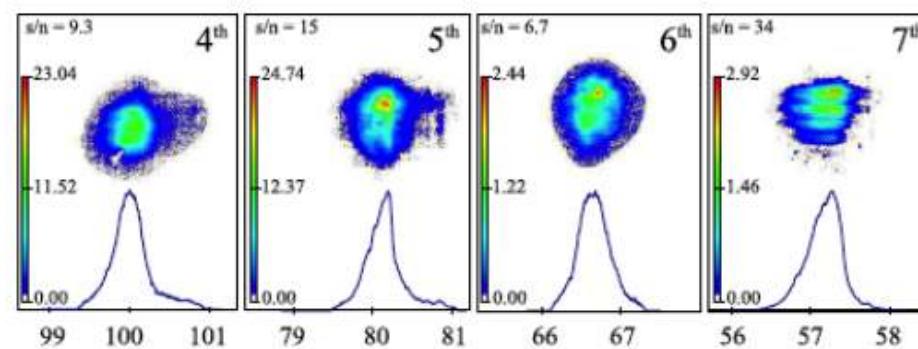
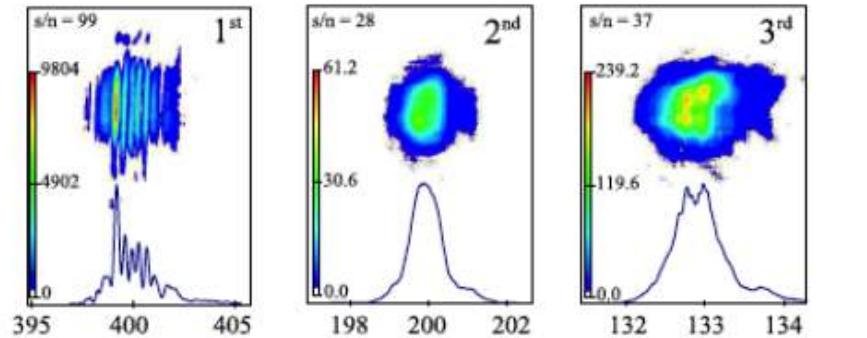
Bunch parameters

Charge (pC)	Energy (MeV)	Energy Spread (%)	Duration (fs)	Emittance ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Peak current (A)
20	114	0.1	26	1.2	400



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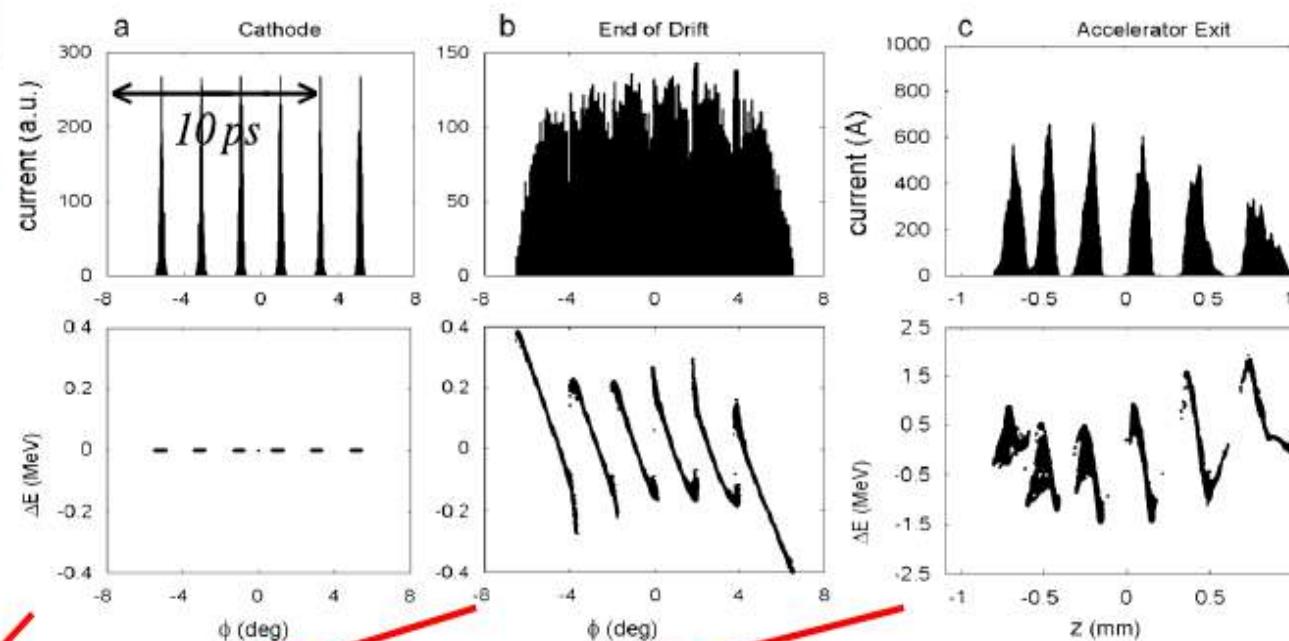


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# Laser Comb technique: generation of a train of short bunches

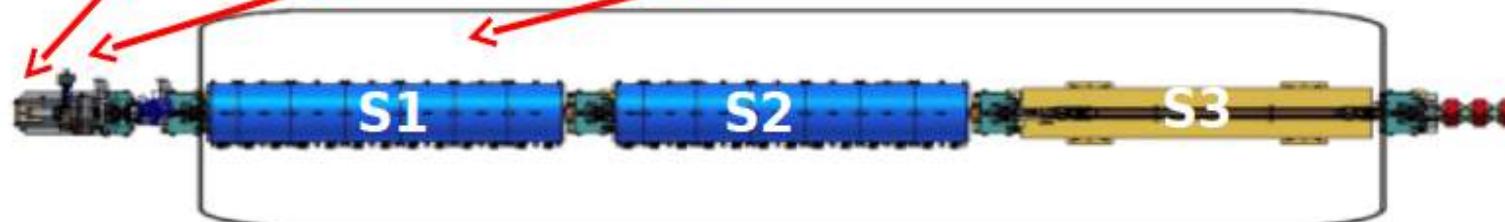
(Parmela code)

Charge vs. Time



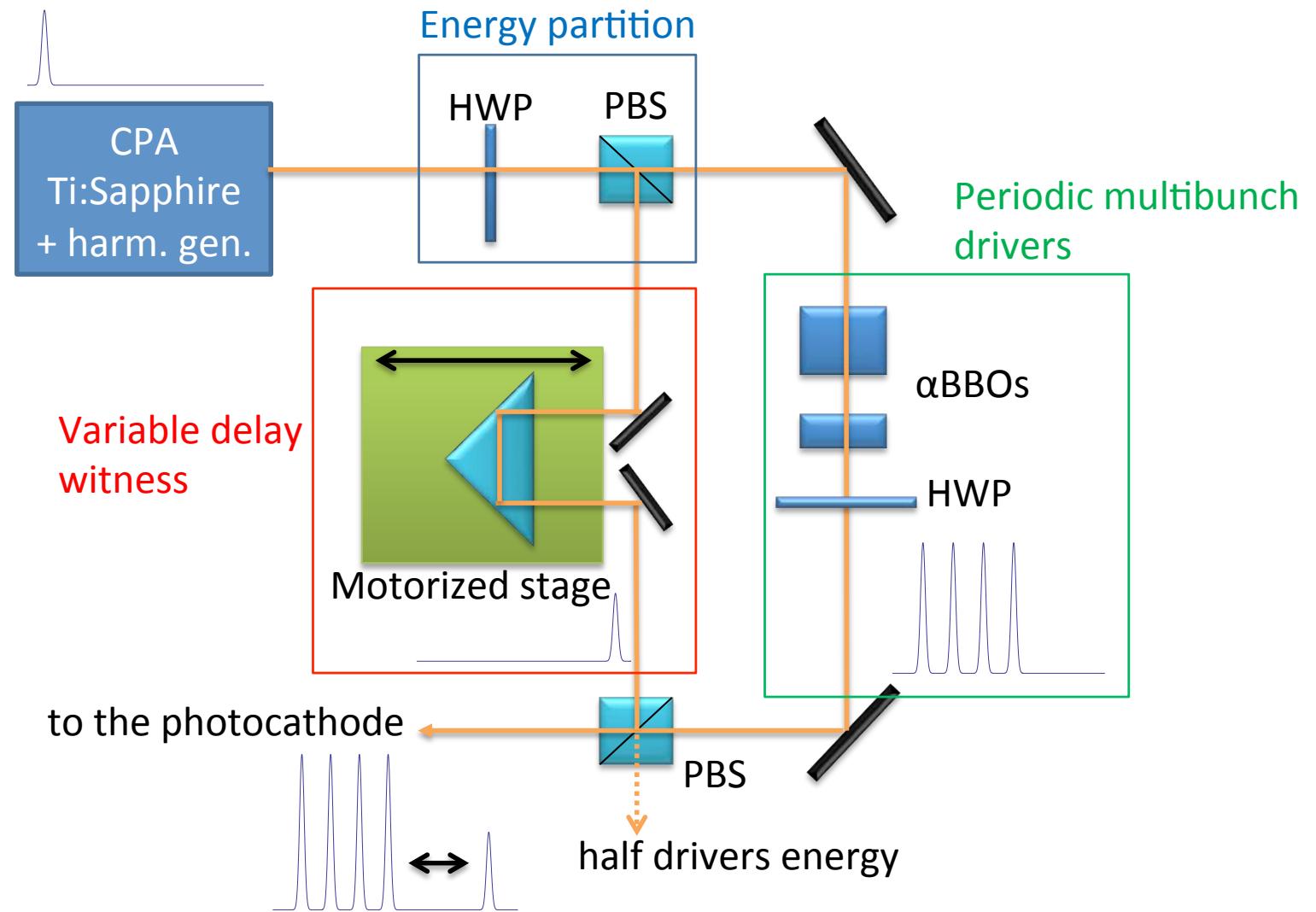
Energy vs. Time

Fig. 1. Evolution of a six bunches electron beam train: the columns from left refer, respectively, to (a) the cathode, (b) the end of the drift at 150 cm and (c) the end of linac at 12 m far from cathode. The rows from top refer, respectively, to longitudinal profile and to energy modulation  $\Delta E$  (MeV).



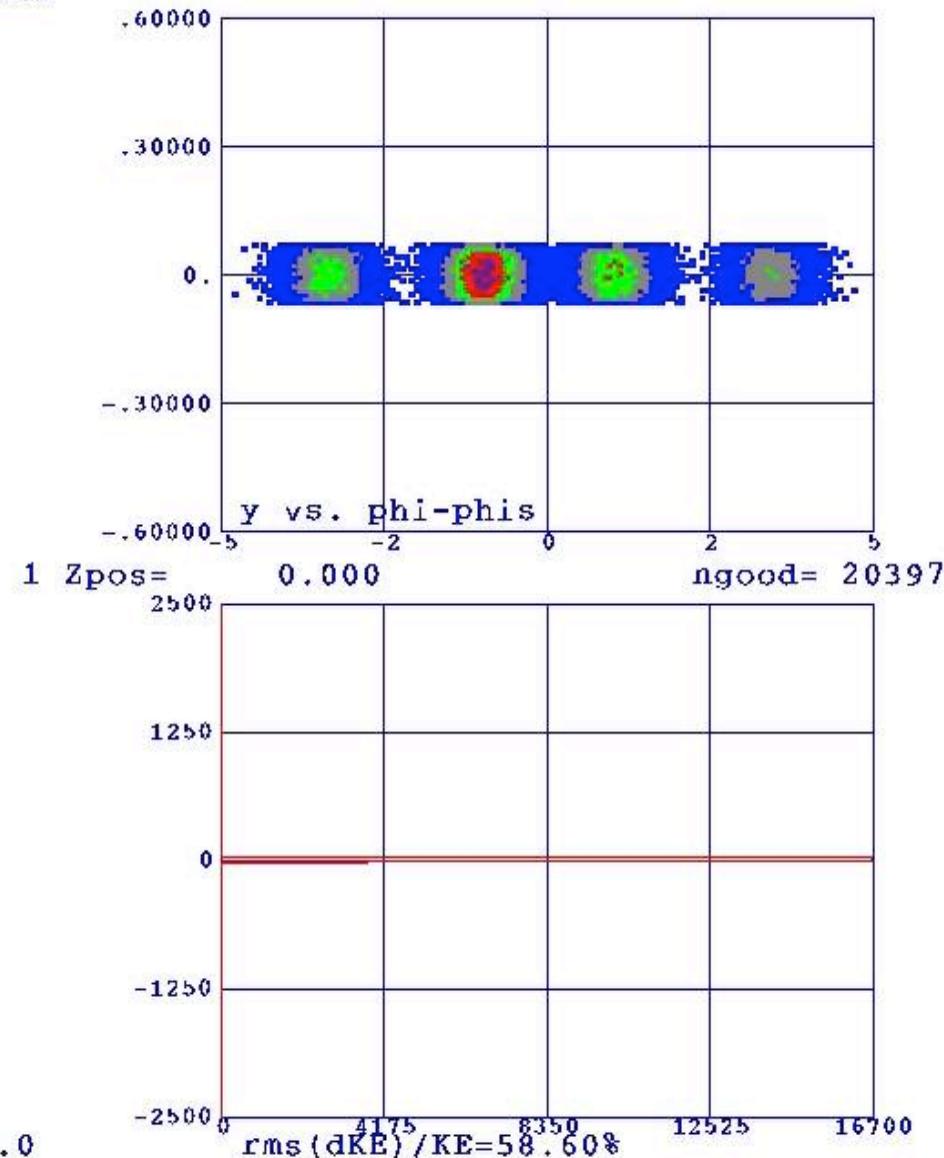
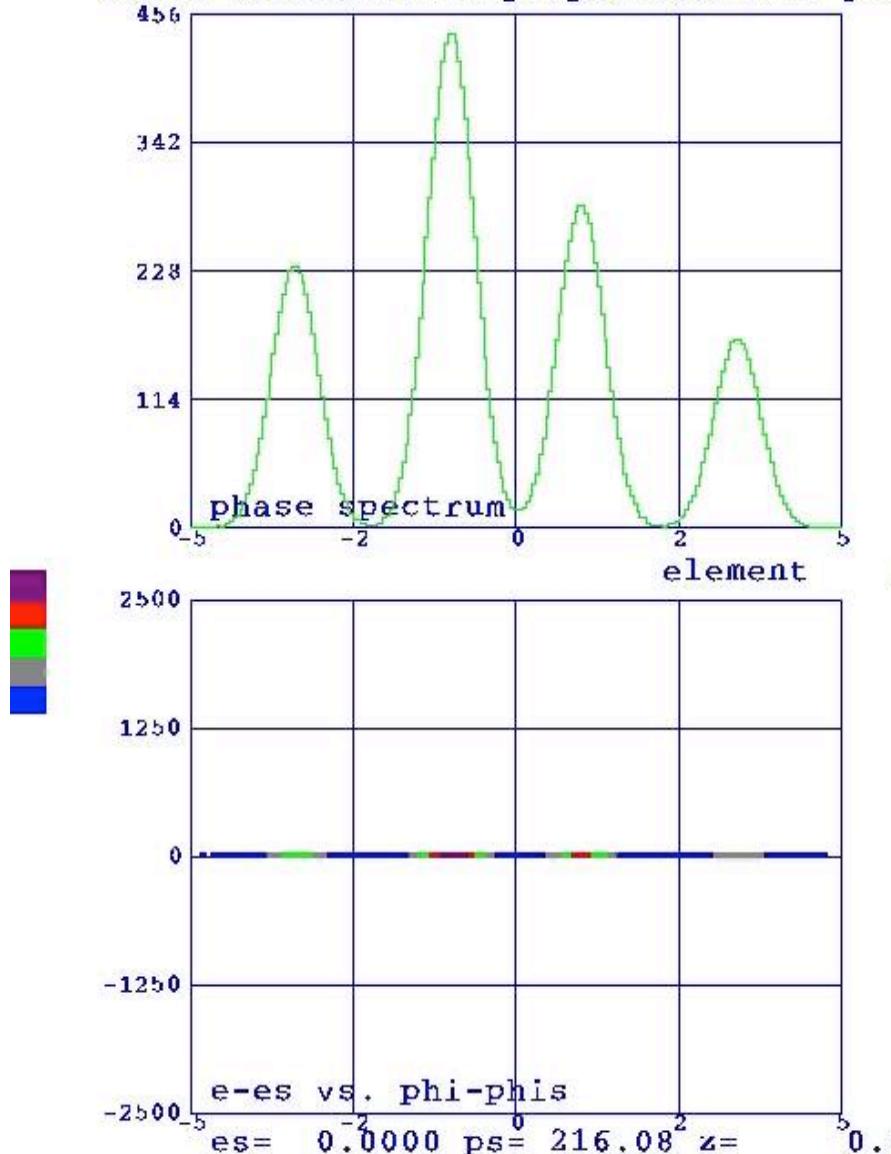
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# Driving and witness bunches generation



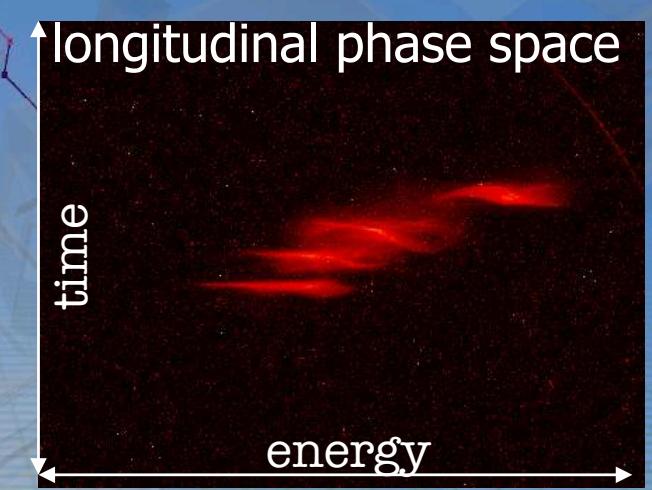
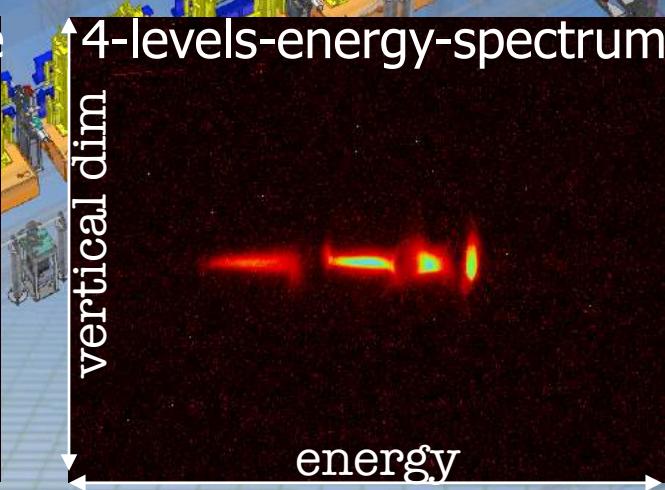
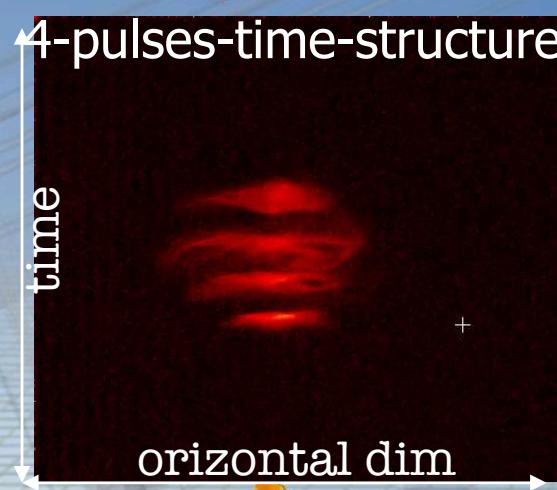
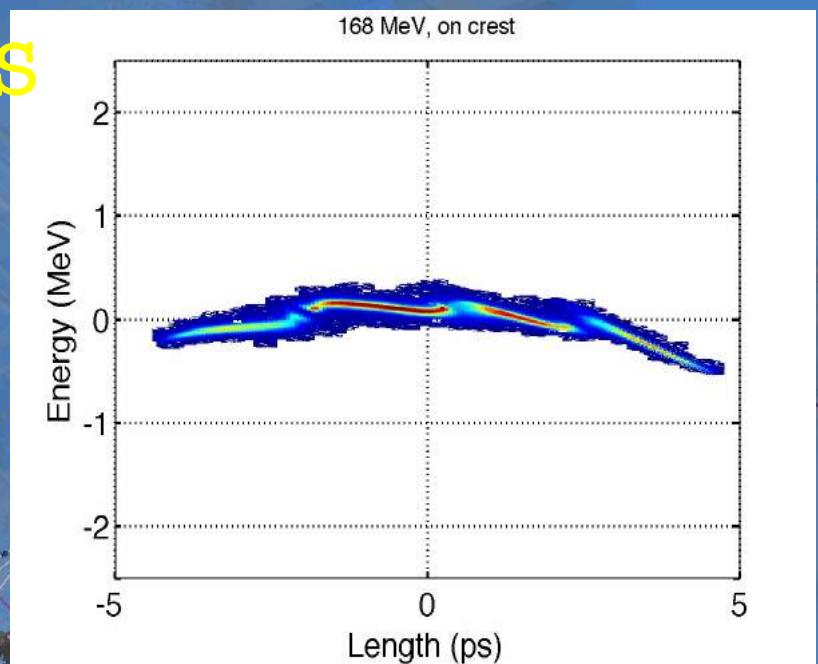
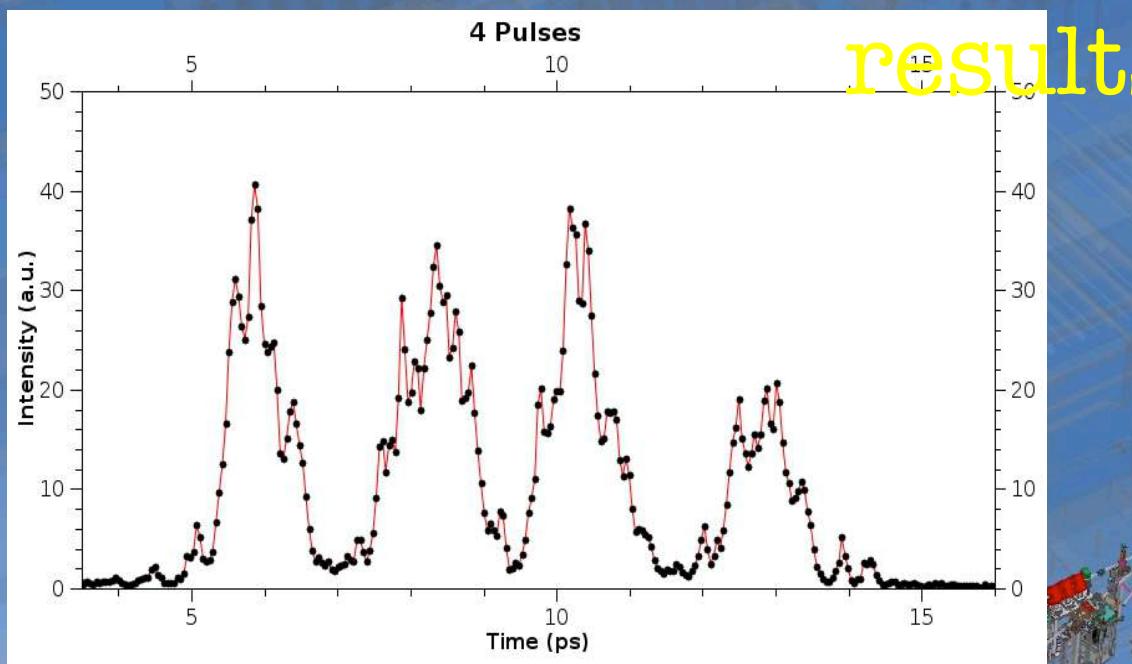
# Laser Comb

SPARC COMB, Qtot=220pC/pulse, d=4.27 psec



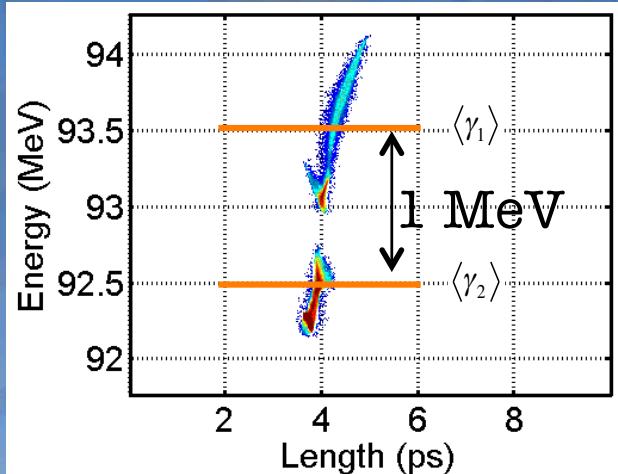
# Laser COMB: experimental

results



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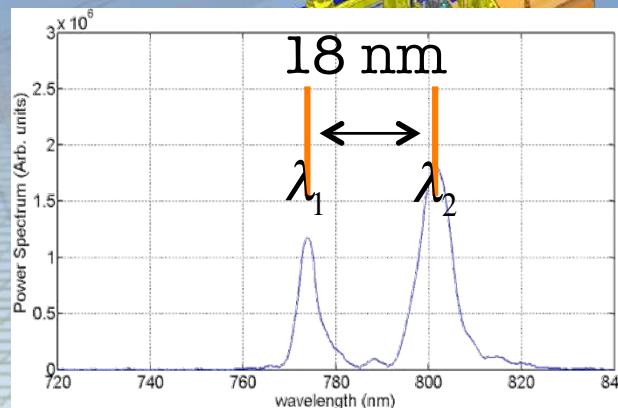
# TWO COLORS SASE FEL



two bunches with  
a two-level energy distribution  
and time overlap (Laser COMB  
tech)

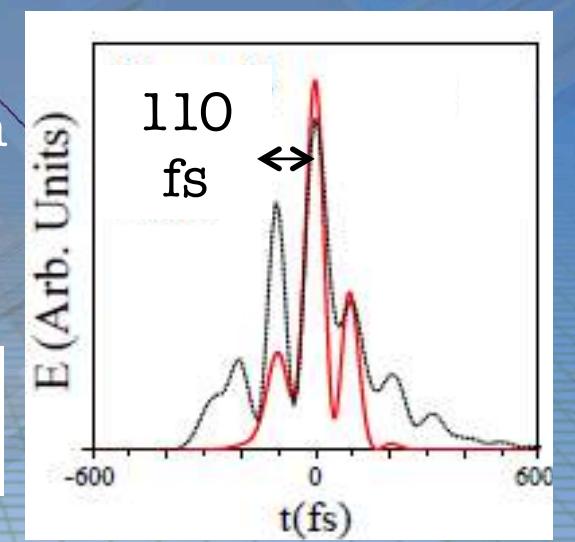
$$\lambda_r = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} (1 + K_{rms}^2)$$

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda_r}{\langle \lambda_r \rangle} = 2 \frac{\langle \gamma_1 \rangle - \langle \gamma_2 \rangle}{\langle \gamma \rangle}$$



produce two wavelength  
SASE -FEL radiation  
with time modulation

$$\Delta t = \frac{\lambda_u (1 + K_{rms}^2)}{4c \langle \gamma \rangle \langle \gamma_1 \rangle - \langle \gamma_2 \rangle}$$



## Observation of Time-Domain Modulation of Free-Electron-Laser Pulses by Multipeaked Electron-Energy Spectrum

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## Dual color X-rays from Thomson/ Compton sources

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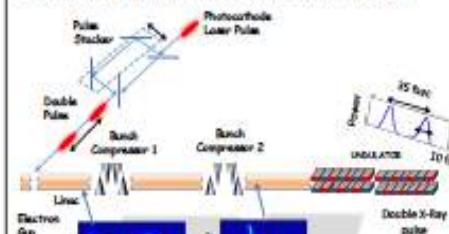
We analyze the possibility of producing two color X or gamma radiation by Thomson/Compton back-scattering between a high intensity laser pulse and a two-energy level electron beam, constituted by a couple of beamlets separated in time and/or energy obtained by a photoinjector with comb laser techniques and linac velocity bunching. The parameters of the Thomson source at SPARC\_LAB have been simulated, proposing a realistic experiment.

# Double-Bunch Operation at LCLS

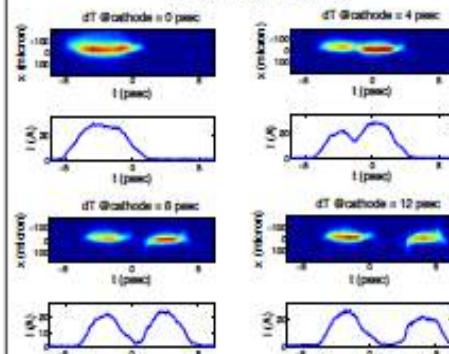
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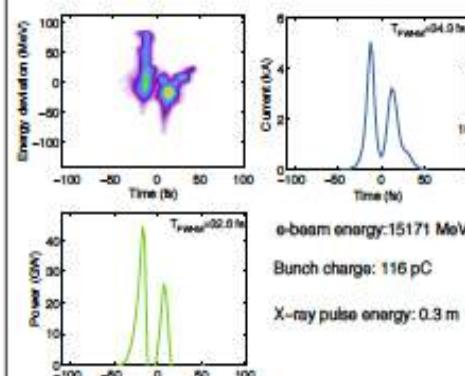
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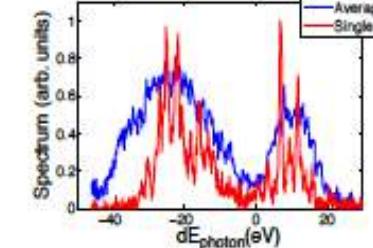
### BEFORE COMPRESSION



### AFTER COMPRESSION (2 STAGE)



dT @ cathode = 9 psec



Spectrum around 9.1 keV

Spectrum clearly shows appearance of two separate spectral lines.

Tunability up to several tens of eV is a key feature for bio-imaging experiments based on MAD techniques.

## Conclusions

The generation of multicolor X-FEL pulses with gain-modulation has been demonstrated experimentally. This technique has already been used in user experiments and has proved to be a valid alternative to 2-color SASE in cases in which full time overlap of the two colors is a crucial feature.

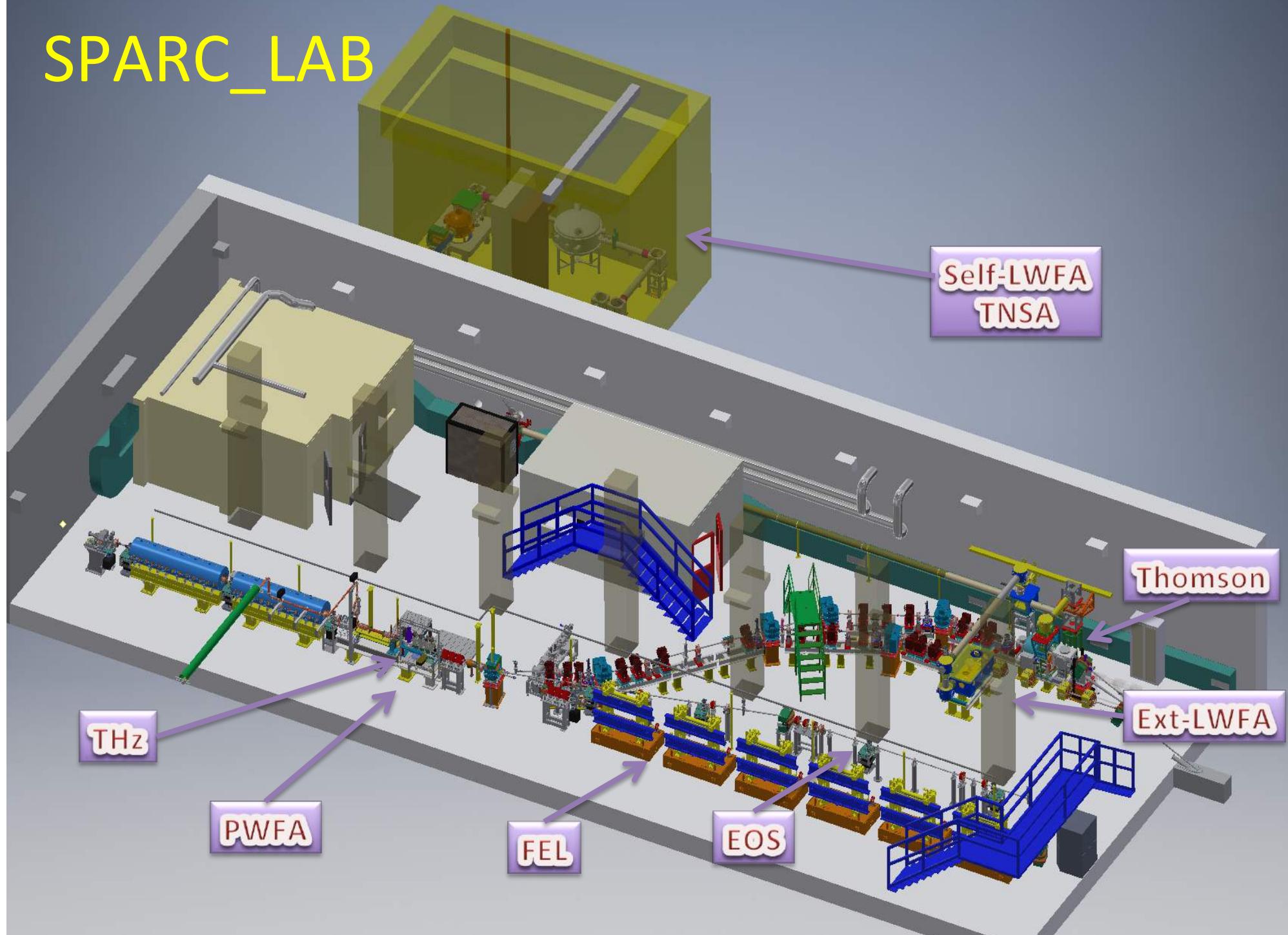
Two-bunch operation is currently under development. Preliminary experimental results at hard x-rays show the key advantages of this method: full saturation power and possibility to diagnose the x-ray time structure with the x-tcav on a single shot basis.

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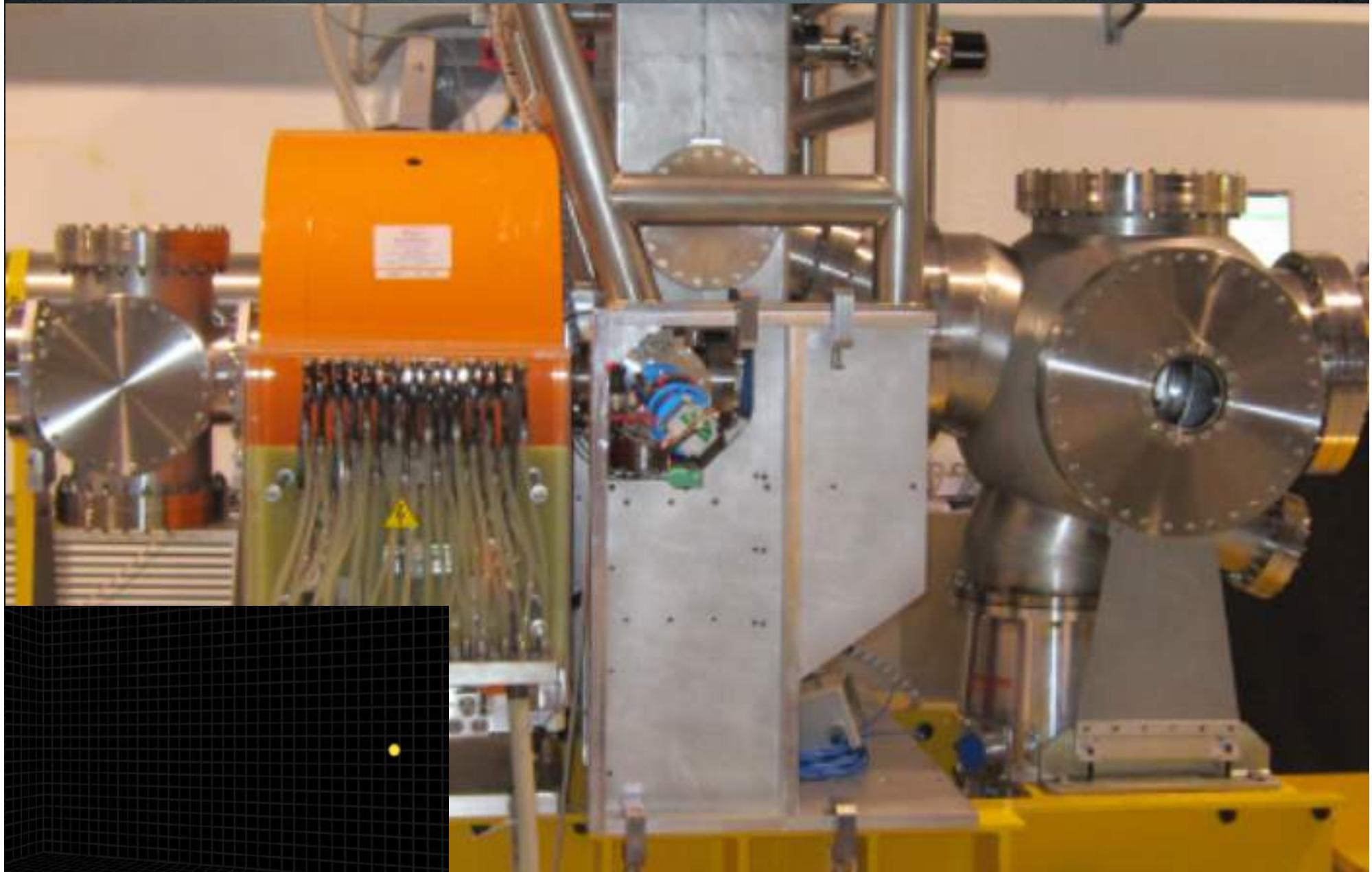
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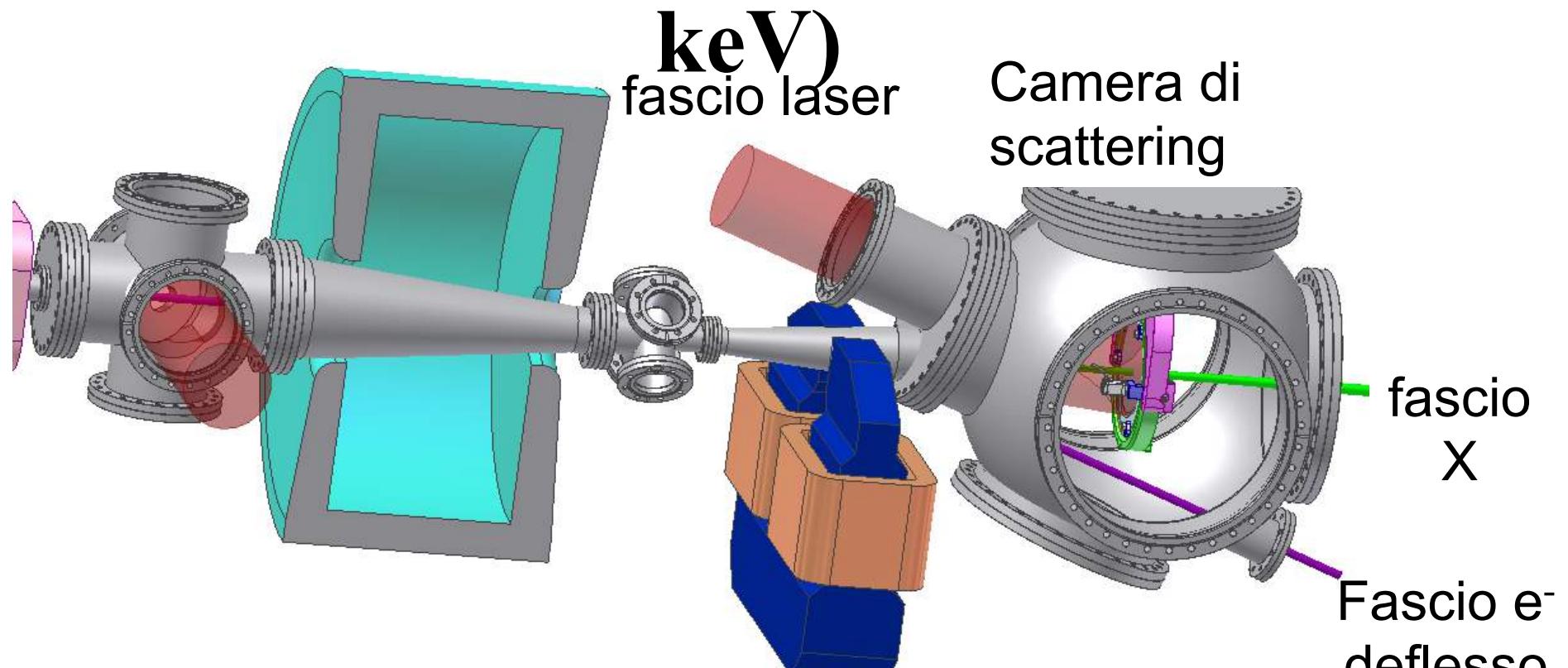
# SPARC\_LAB



# Thomson back-scattering source



# Thomson Interaction region (20-550 keV)



$$(h\nu)_X = 4 (h\nu)_{\text{laser}} (T / 0.511)^2$$

$$(h\nu)_{\text{laser}} = 1.2 \text{ eV}$$

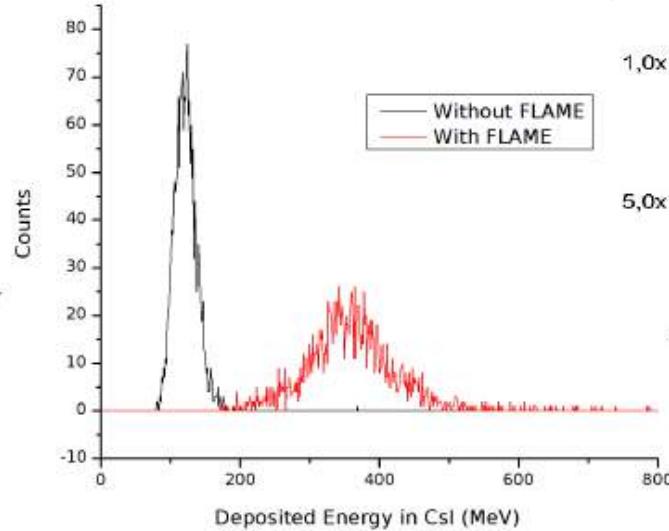
$$T = 30.28 \text{ MeV}$$

**(hν)<sub>X</sub> = 20 keV mammografia**

Impulso laser: 6 ps, 5 J  
pacchetto e<sup>-</sup>: 1 nC , I: 2 mm (rms)  
Impulso X: 10 ps, 10<sup>9</sup> fotoni  
α emissione: 12 mrad

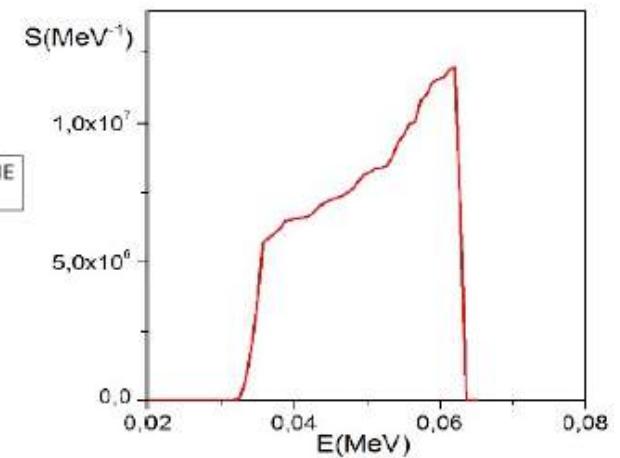
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- ❖ First user experiment with high peak power THz radiation
  - ❖ Implicazioni tecnologiche
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  - ❖ STAR project
  - ❖ ELI-NP



Thomson x-rays signal in red, in black the electron background signal (without FLAME laser), integrated over 120 s (1200 pulses).

The number of photons per each pulse, coming from poor overlap conditions, and interacting with the detector sensitive area, is in average  $6.7 \times 10^3$ .

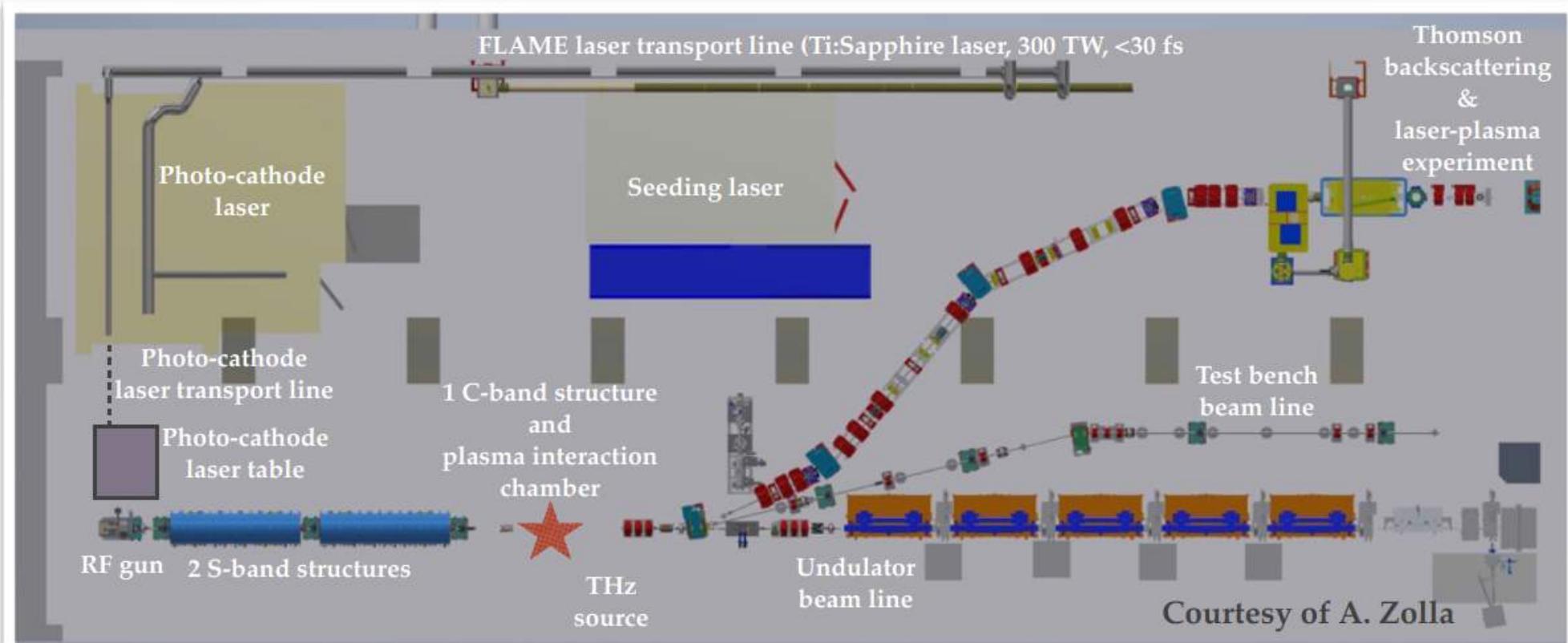


Spectral density  $S$  (MeV $^{-1}$ ) versus photon energy.

(50 MeV electron beam, with 200 pC charge, 5 mm mrad of emittance, 150 mm of rms beam transverse dimension, colliding with the laser with 500 mJ and 30 mm of waist, gives a number of photons of  $2 \times 10^5$  in a bandwidth of about 19%.

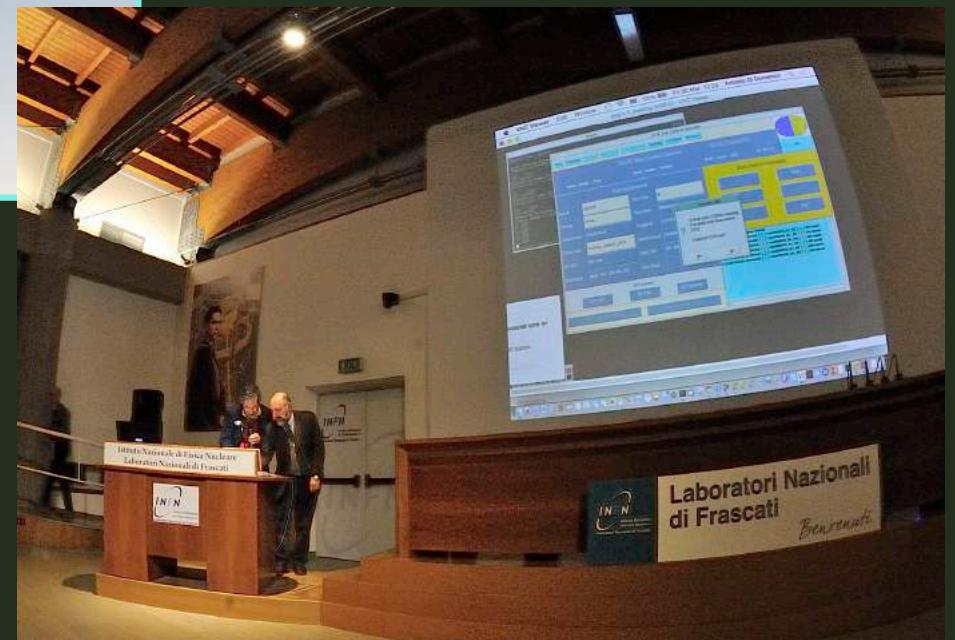
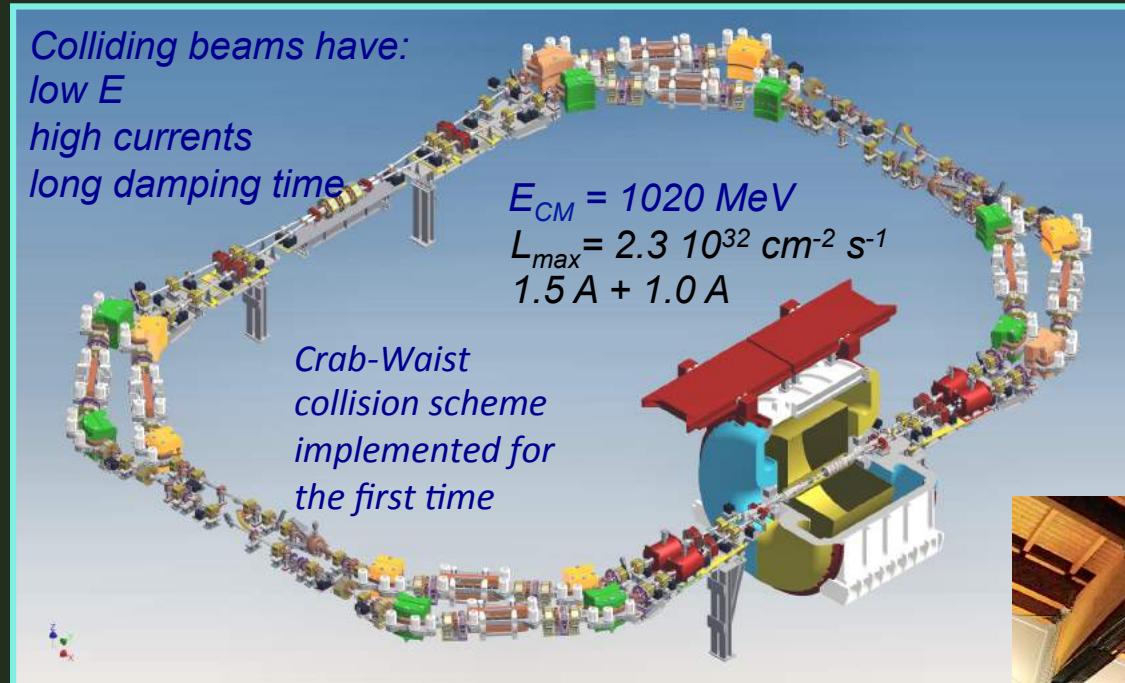
The photon energy edge, given by  $E_p \sim 4E_L g^2$ , is about 63 keV.

# SPARC\_LAB today



# KLOE-2 data-taking closing ceremony

March 30th 2018 at 11:00 in the Bruno Touschek Auditorium

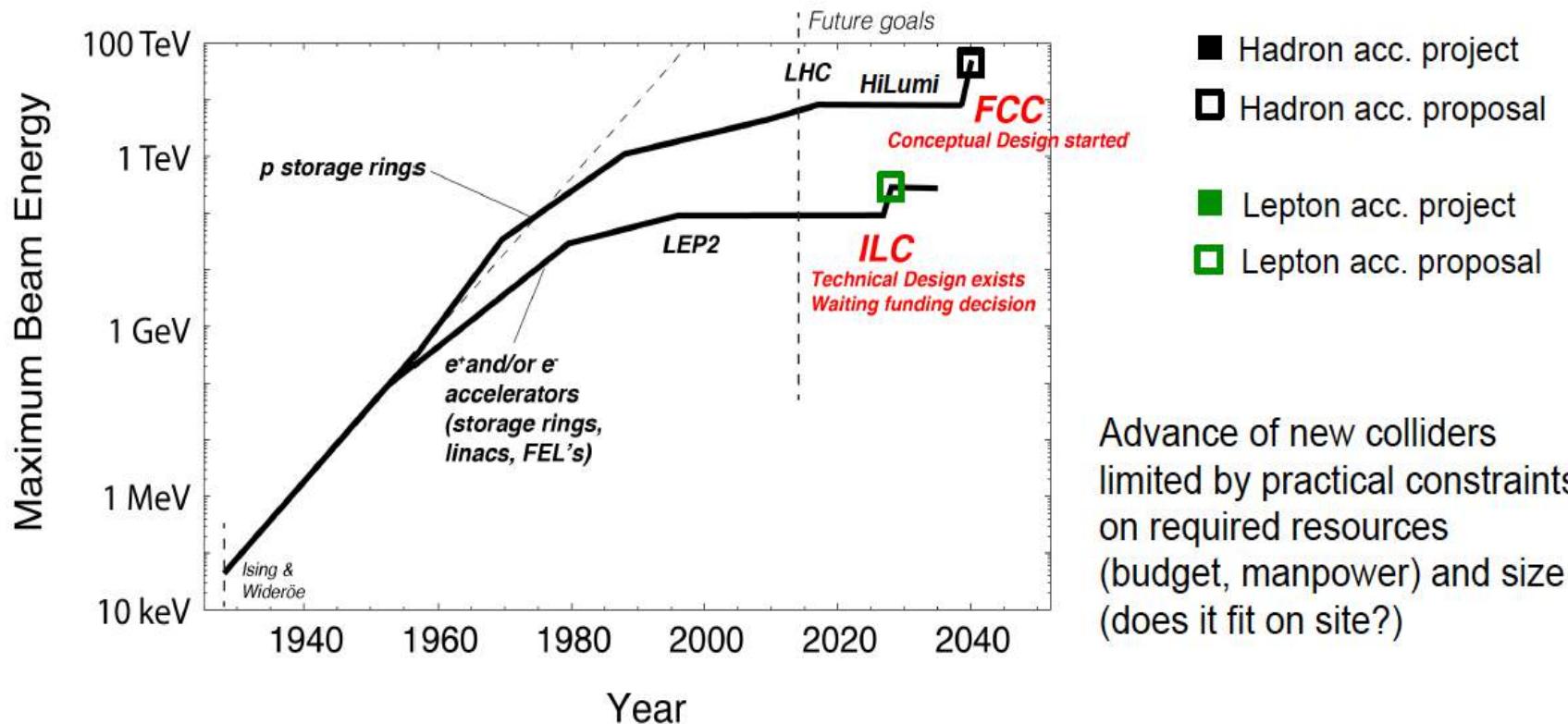


# “What Next at LNF?”

is an often addressed question in many other labs  
See for ex. SLAC, DESY, CERN

## Slow-down in Energy Increase of Frontier Accelerators

Livingston plot leveling off – here our version, giving beam energy versus time



Courtesy R. Assmann, DESY

# “How to advance?”

## Hadron (p) circular collider

$$p = e \cdot R \cdot B_y$$

Increase bending field  
SC bend magnet work (FCC-hh)

Increase radius = size (FCC-hh)

## Lepton (e-,e+) circular collider

$$p \propto E_0 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\rho \cdot U_0}$$

Increase supplied RF voltage  
(FCC-ee)

Increase mass of acc. particle (muon)

Increase radius = size (FCC-ee)

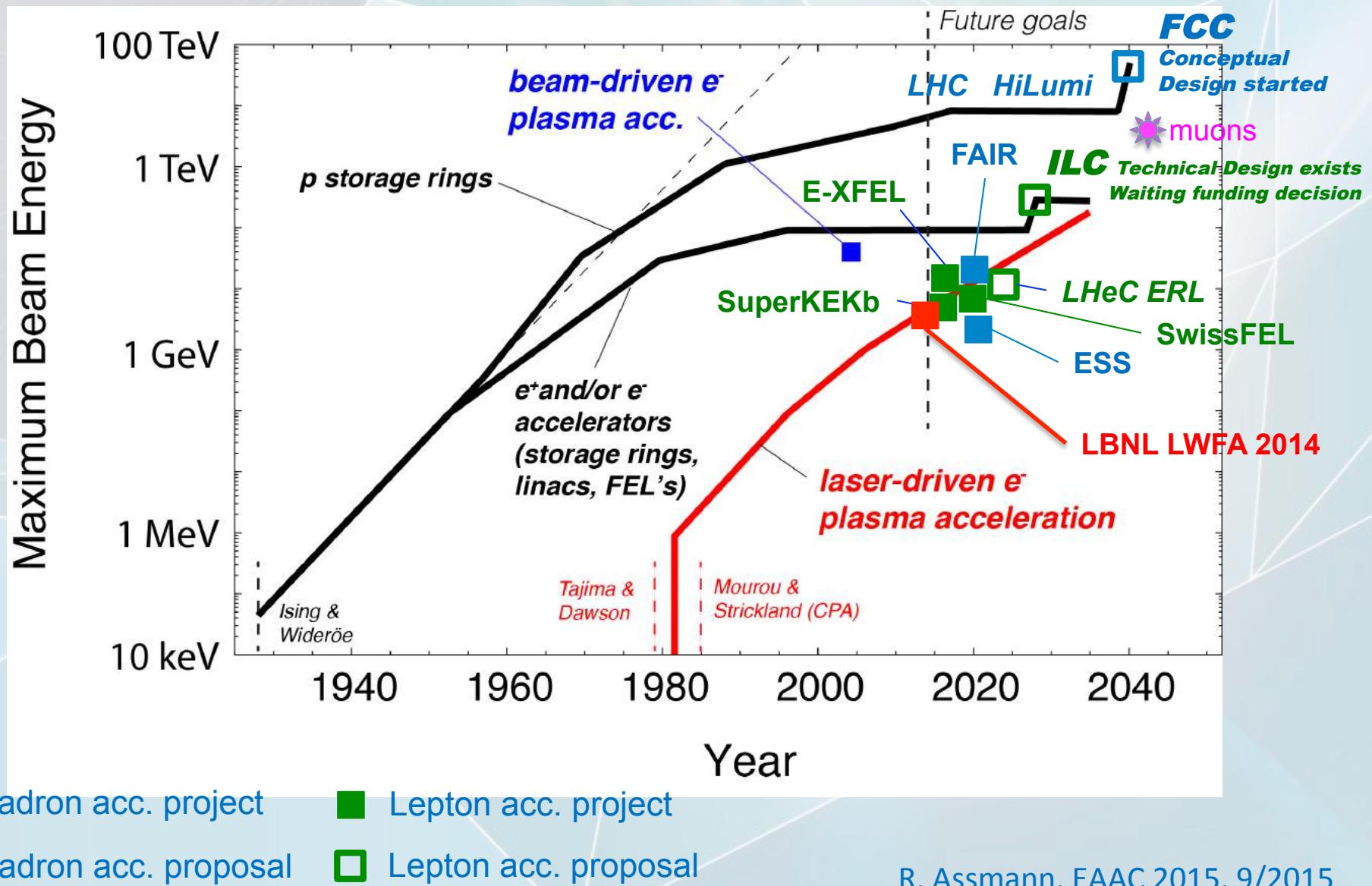
## Lepton (e-,e+) linear collider

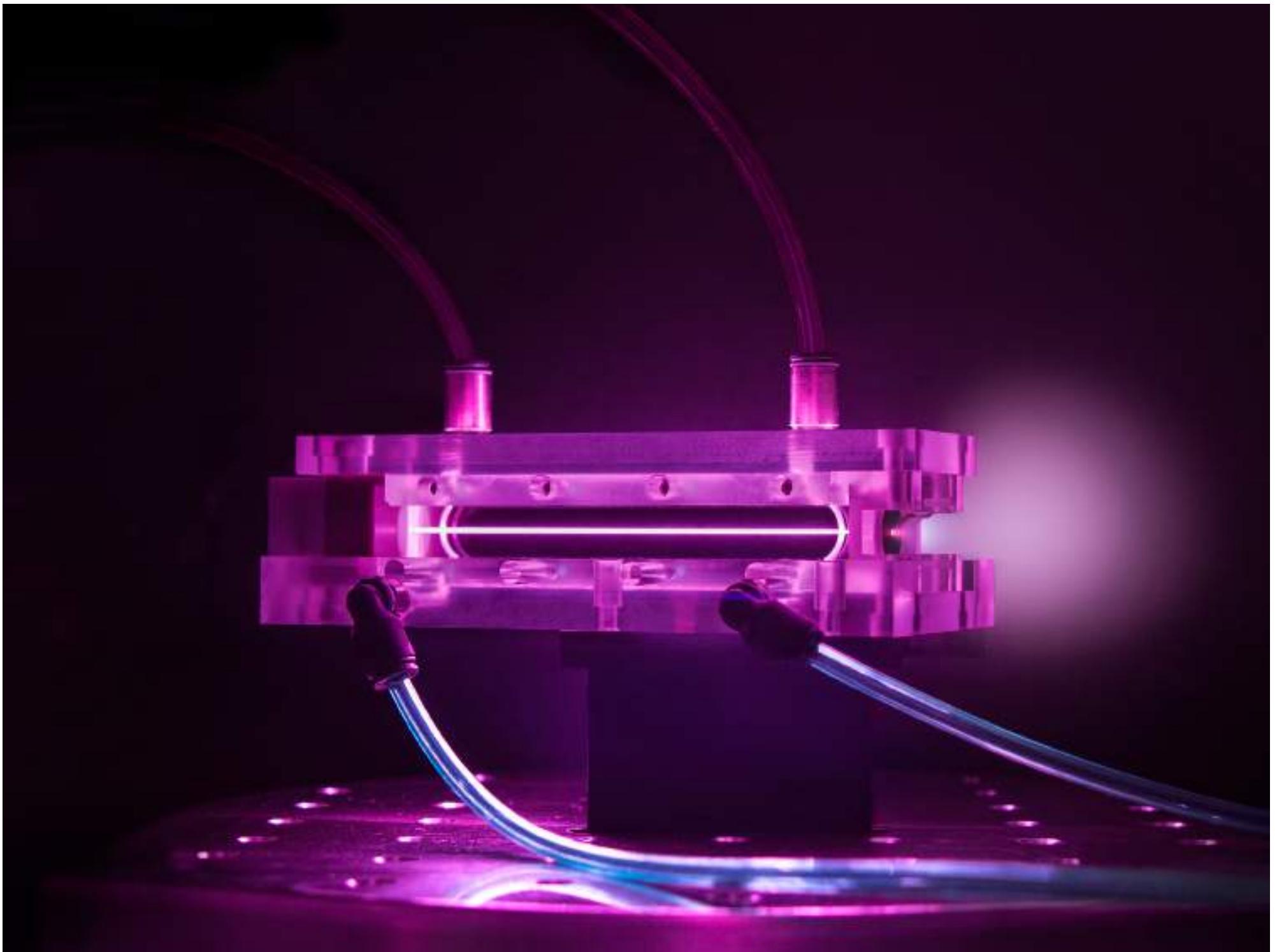
$$p = L \cdot G_{acc}$$

Increase length (ILC, CLIC)

Increase accelerating gradient  
(a) Pushing existing technology (ILC, CLIC)  
(b) New regime of ultra-high gradients (plasma,  
dielectric accelerators)

# Future of Accelerators

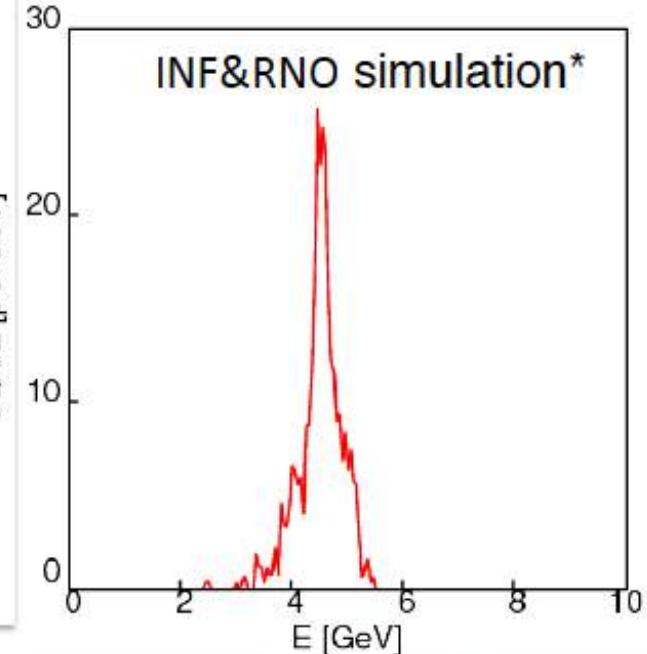
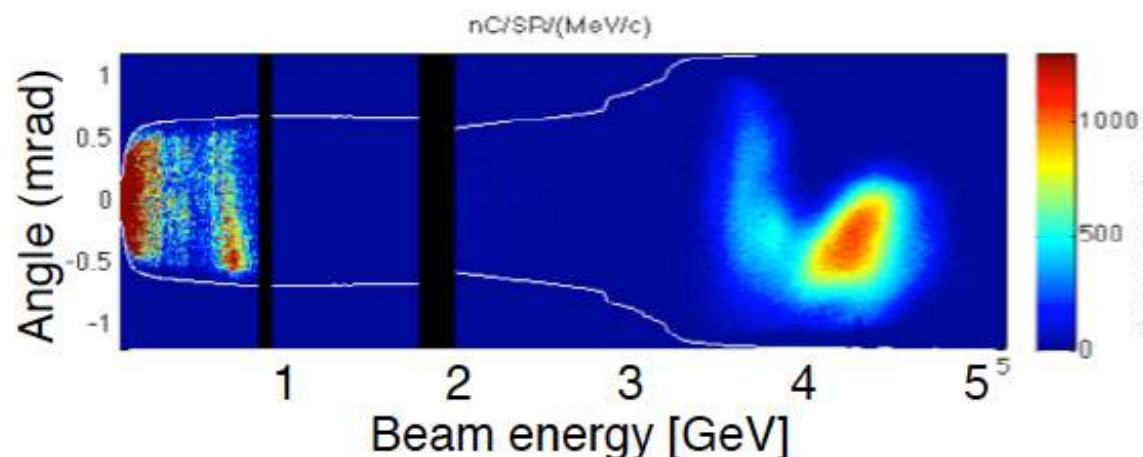




## 4.25 GeV beams have been obtained from 9 cm plasma channel powered by 310 TW laser pulses (15 J)

\*C. Benedetti et al., proceedings of AAC2010, proceedings of ICAP2012

Electron beam spectrum



	Exp.	Sim.
Energy	4.25 GeV	4.5 GeV
$\Delta E/E$	5%	3.2%
Charge	$\sim 20$ pC	23 pC
Divergence	0.3 mrad	0.6 mrad

W.P. Leemans et al., PRL 2014



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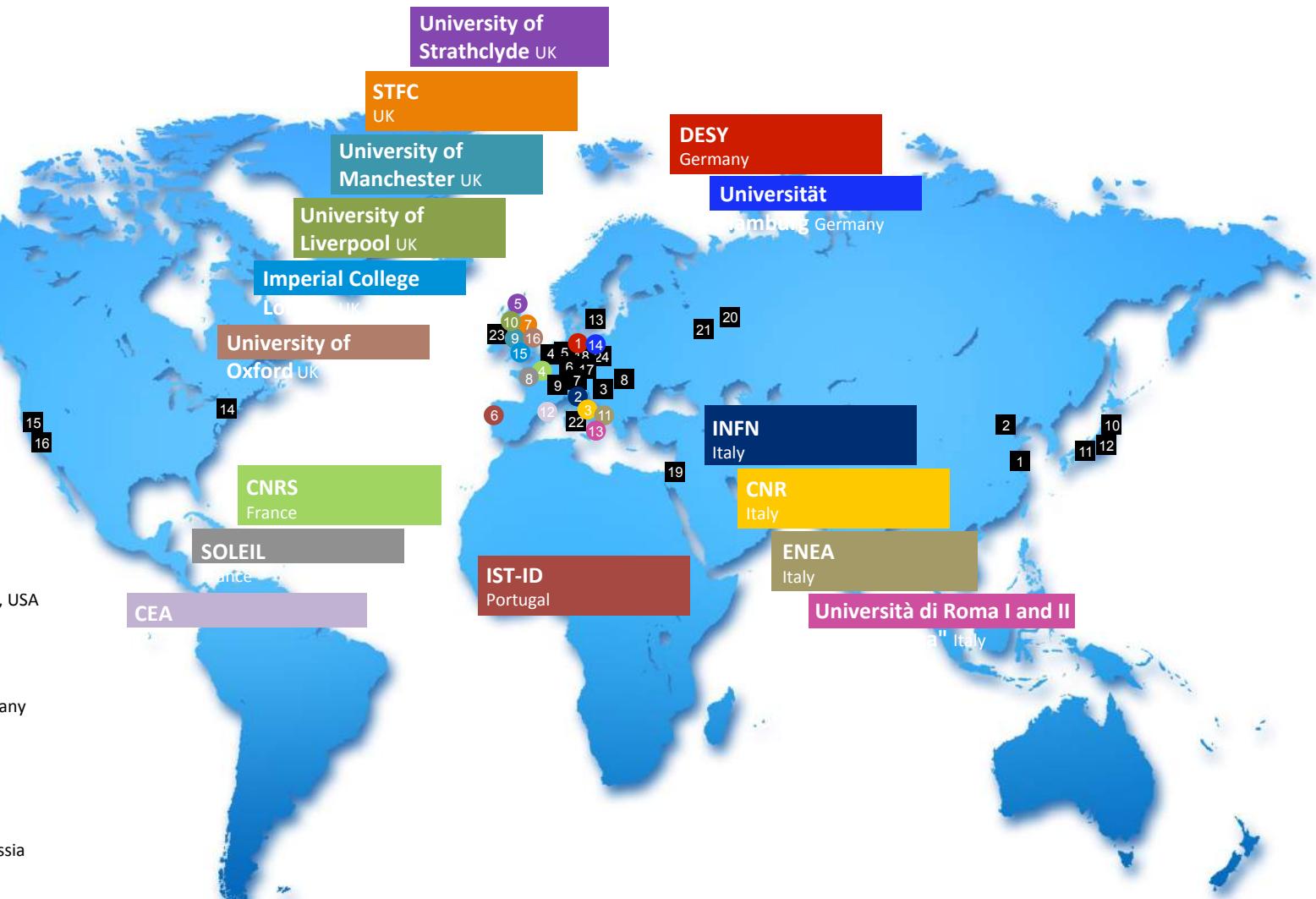


# Worldwide effort towards high quality plasma beams

## Associated Partners

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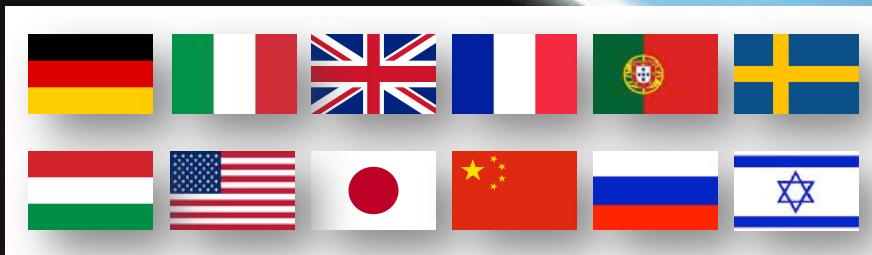
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EUROPEAN  
PLASMA RESEARCH  
ACCELERATOR WITH  
EXCELLENCE IN  
APPLICATIONS



EuPRAXIA Design Study started on November 2015  
Approved as HORIZON 2020 INFRADEV, 4 years, 3 M€  
Coordinator: Ralph Assmann (DESY)



This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 653782.

<http://eupraxia-project.eu>

## PRESENT EXPERIMENTS

Demonstrating  
**100 GV/m** routinely

Demonstrating **GeV**  
electron beams

Demonstrating basic  
quality



## EuPRAXIA INFRASTRUCTURE

**Engineering a high  
quality, compact  
plasma accelerator**  
**5 GeV electron beam  
for the 2020's**

**Demonstrating user  
readiness**

**Pilot users from FEL,  
HEP, medicine, ...**

## PRODUCTION FACILITIES

**Plasma-based linear  
collider in 2040's**

**Plasma-based FEL in  
2030's**

**Medical, industrial  
applications soon**



Courtesy R. Assmann

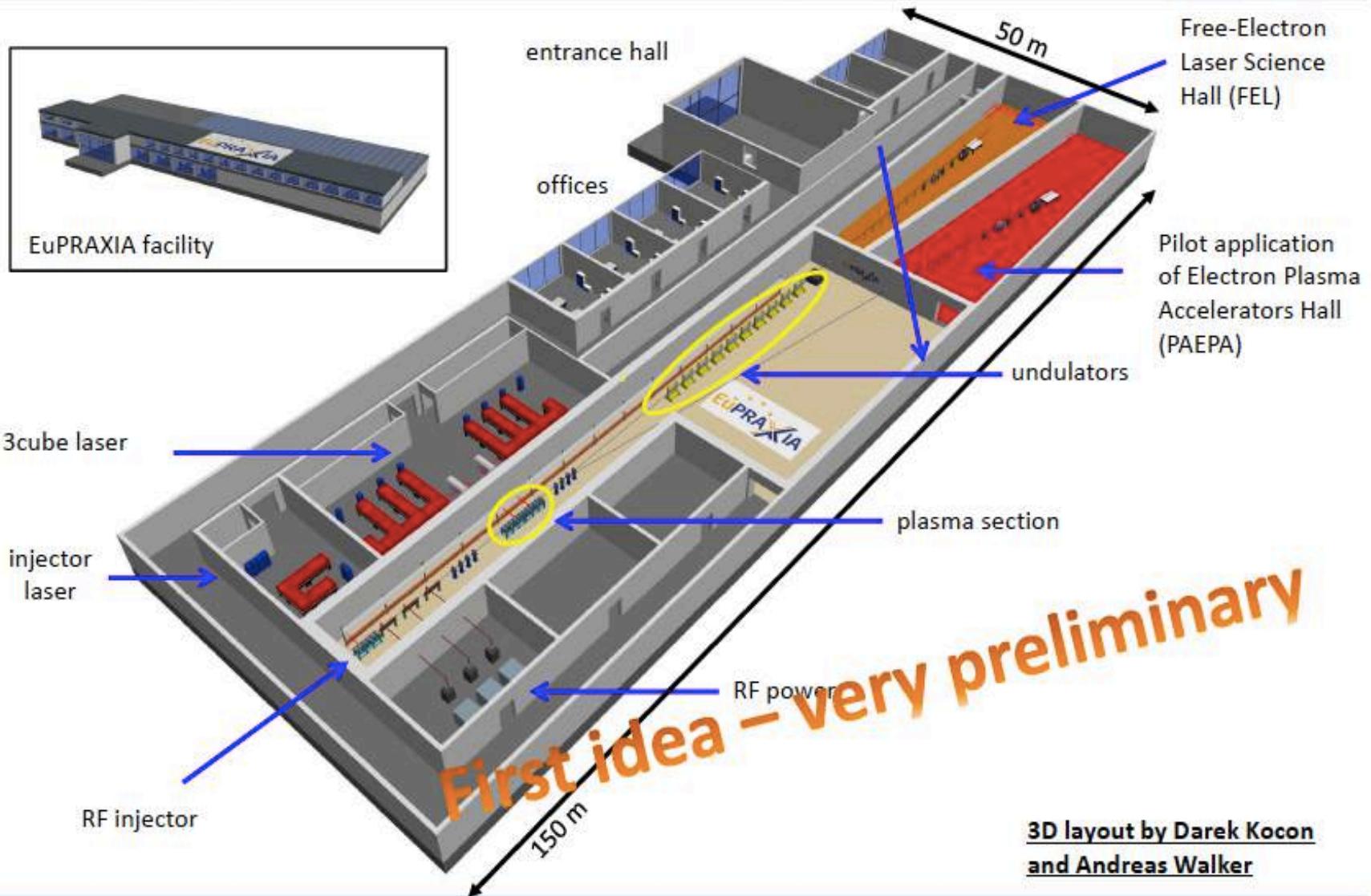
## 16 Participants



## 24 Associated Partners

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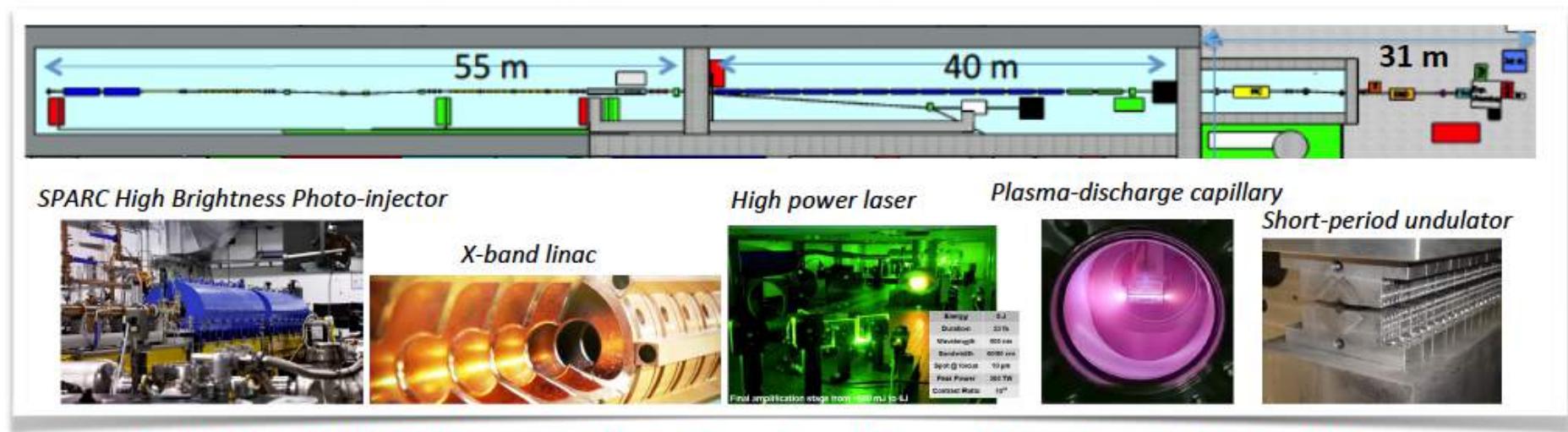
## EuPRAXIA site studies:

- Design study is site independent
- Five possible sites have been discussed so far
- We invite the suggestions of additional sites



# EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB

- ❖ Candidate LNF to host EuPRAXIA (1 - 5 GeV)
- ❖ The EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB Test User Facility will produce high brightness electron beams either by a **500 MeV X-band RF linac plus 500 MeV plasma accelerator** or by a **1 GeV X-band RF linac only** to drive
  - ❖ FEL user facility: 1 GeV – 3 nm
  - ❖ Advanced Accelerator Test Facility (LC + CERN)
  - ❖ Novel radiation sources facility, e.g. *THz radiation,  $\gamma$ -rays, neutron sources*



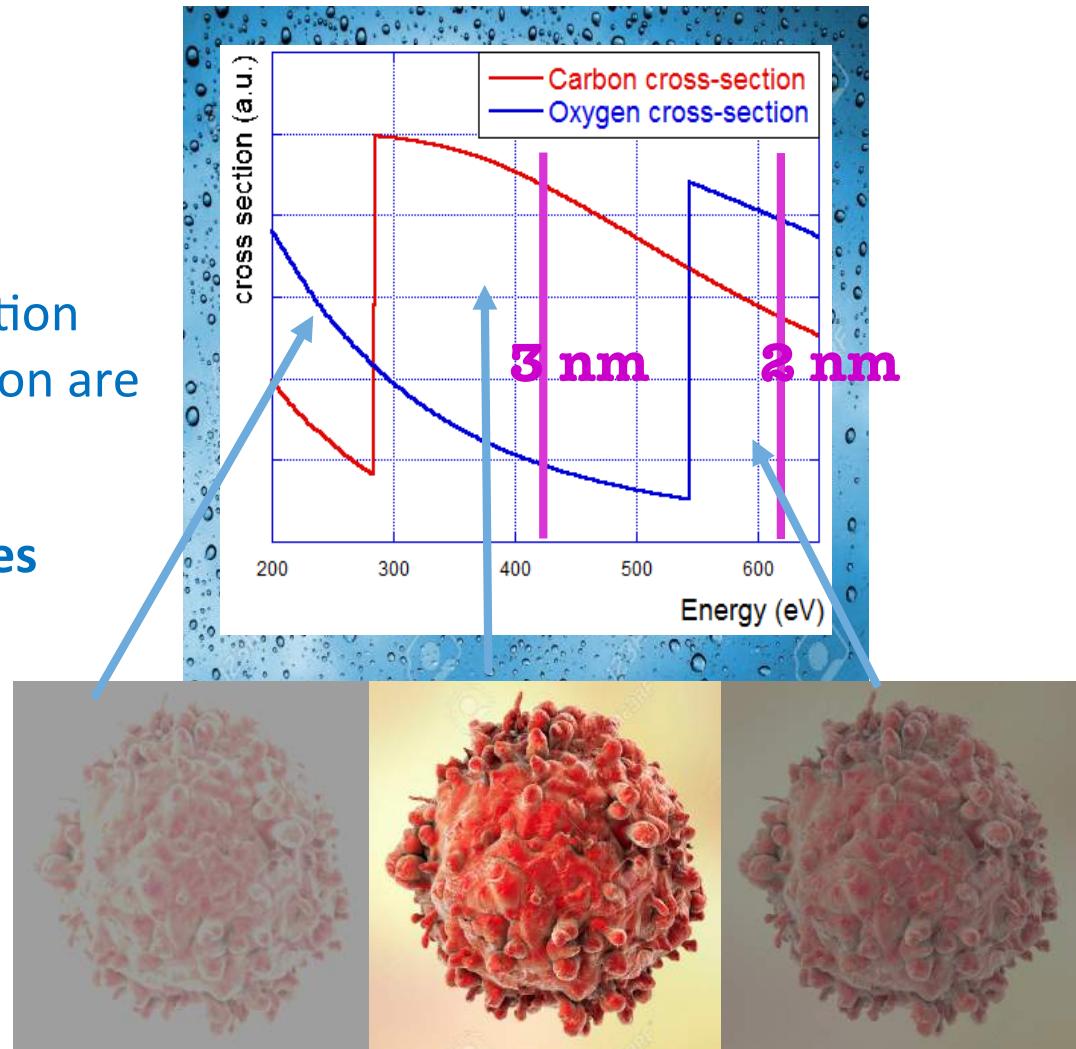
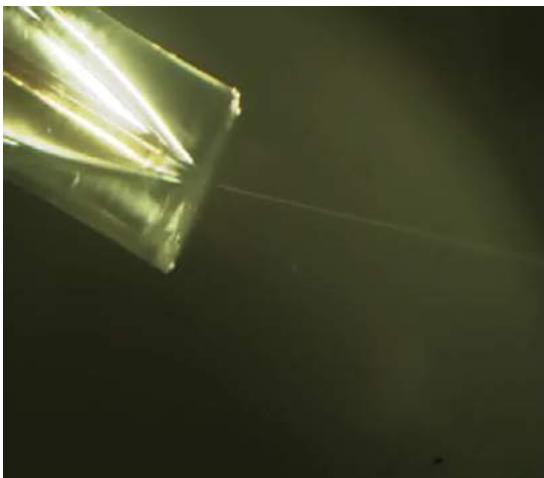
EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB Conceptual Design Report is publicly available and can be downloaded from  
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# Water Window Coherent Imaging

Energy region between Oxygen and Carbon K-edge 2.34 nm – 4.4 nm (530 eV -280 eV)

Water is almost transparent to radiation in this range while nitrogen and carbon are absorbing (and scattering)

Coherent Imaging of biological samples  
living in their native state  
Possibility to study dynamics



Courtesy F. Stellato, UniToV

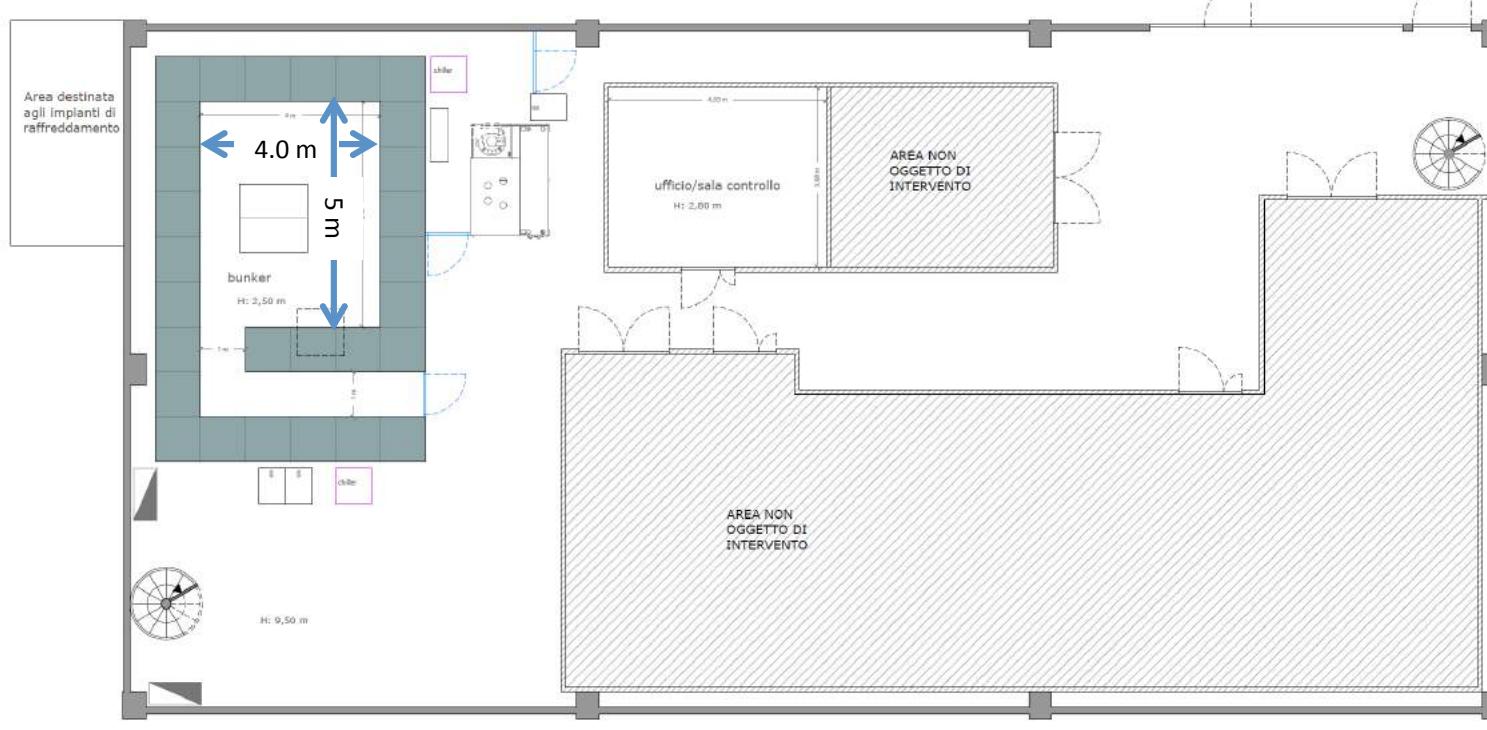
# R&D perspectives

- X-band RF technology implementation, → CompactLight => CERN collaboration
- Science with short wavelength Free Electron Laser (FEL)
- Physics with high power lasers and secondary particle source
- Compact Neutron Source
- R&D on compact radiation sources for medical applications
- Detector development and test for X-ray FEL and HEP
- Science with THz radiation sources
- Nuclear photonics with  $\gamma$ -rays Compton sources
- R&D on polarized positron sources
- R&D in accelerator physics and industrial spin - off

## INFN - CERN official partnership on X-band RF development

### The INFN Frascati X-box

SPARC\_LAB  
*Building #7*



it will be located in LNF building #7, very close to the SPARC\_LAB area, formerly used for testing and conditioning of the DAFNE RF power plants and cavities



**LNF building #7:  
the old bunker**

**LNF building #7:  
inside view**



# The INFN Frascati X-box



Pulsed Modulator: to be procured by INFN

## OPERATIONAL PARAMETERS

		Unit	K2-3X	Notes
Pulse Output				
Peak power to Klystron	MW	150.7		Peak power from Modulator
Average power to Klystron	kW	17.3		Average power from Modulator
Klystron Voltage range	kV	450		Nominal 410kV, see fig above
Klystron Current range	A	335		Nominal 305A, see fig above
Inverse Klystron Voltage	kV	<30		Reduced by the Solid State technology
Pulse length	μs	1.5		Top of Klystron Voltage pulse
Pulse length at 50%	μs	3.4		Of the Voltage Pulse
RF duty cycle	%	0.0075		
PRF range	Hz	1 - 50		
Top flatness (dV)	%	<±0.25		Deviation from nominal voltage within the top of the pulse length
Amplitude stability	%	<±0.1		
Trig delay	μs	~1.2		See fig above
Pulse to pulse jitter	ns	<6		
Pulse length jitter	ns	<±10		
Filament Output				
Klystron Max voltage DC	V	30		Nominal 10-30V
Klystron Max current DC	A	30		Nominal 18-30A
Kly. Fil. Current stability	%	<±1		
Pre-heating period	min	60		Filament current is softly ramped to max value during pre-set time

# VKX-8311A



X-band klystron: provided by CERN

Typical Operating Parameters		
Item	Value	Units
Beam Voltage	410	kV
Beam Current	310	A
Frequency	11.994	GHz
Peak Power	50	MW
Ave. Power	5	kW
Sat. Gain	48	dB
Efficiency	40	%
Duty	0.009	%

Pulse compressor:  
provided by CERN

## Other components:

- Low level RF and controls;
- RF driver amplifier;
- Rectangular waveguides;
- Ceramic windows;
- Vacuum pumps and power supplies;
- ...

All components will be either provided by CERN or procured by INFN in full conformity with the original CERN X-box parts.

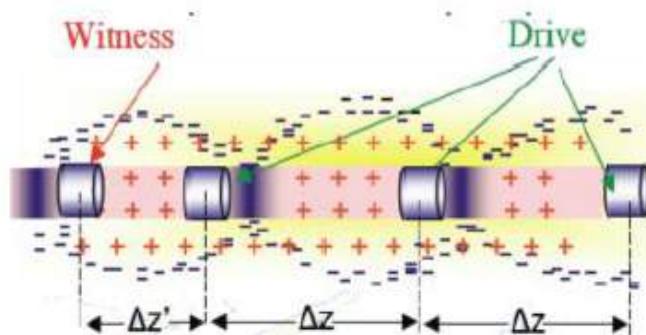
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# Plasma-based acceleration techniques

resonant-PWFA

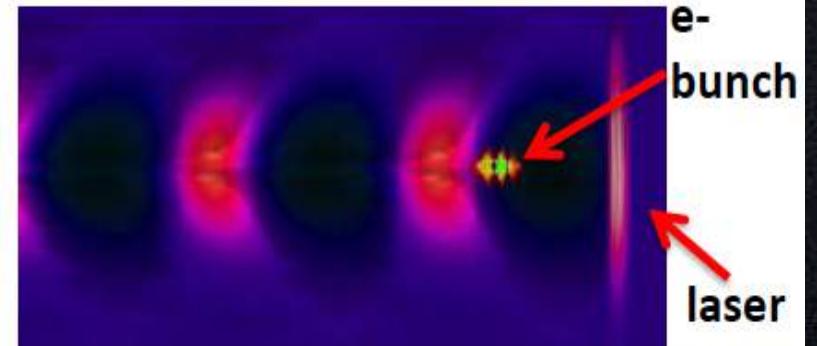


- A train of three electron bunches (driver bunches) is sent through a capillary discharge
- A resonant plasma wave is then excited in plasma
- A fourth electron beam (witness beam) uses this wave to be accelerated

$$n_e = 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$
$$\lambda_p = 300 \mu\text{m}$$

Capillary 1mm  
Hydrogen

external injection LWFA

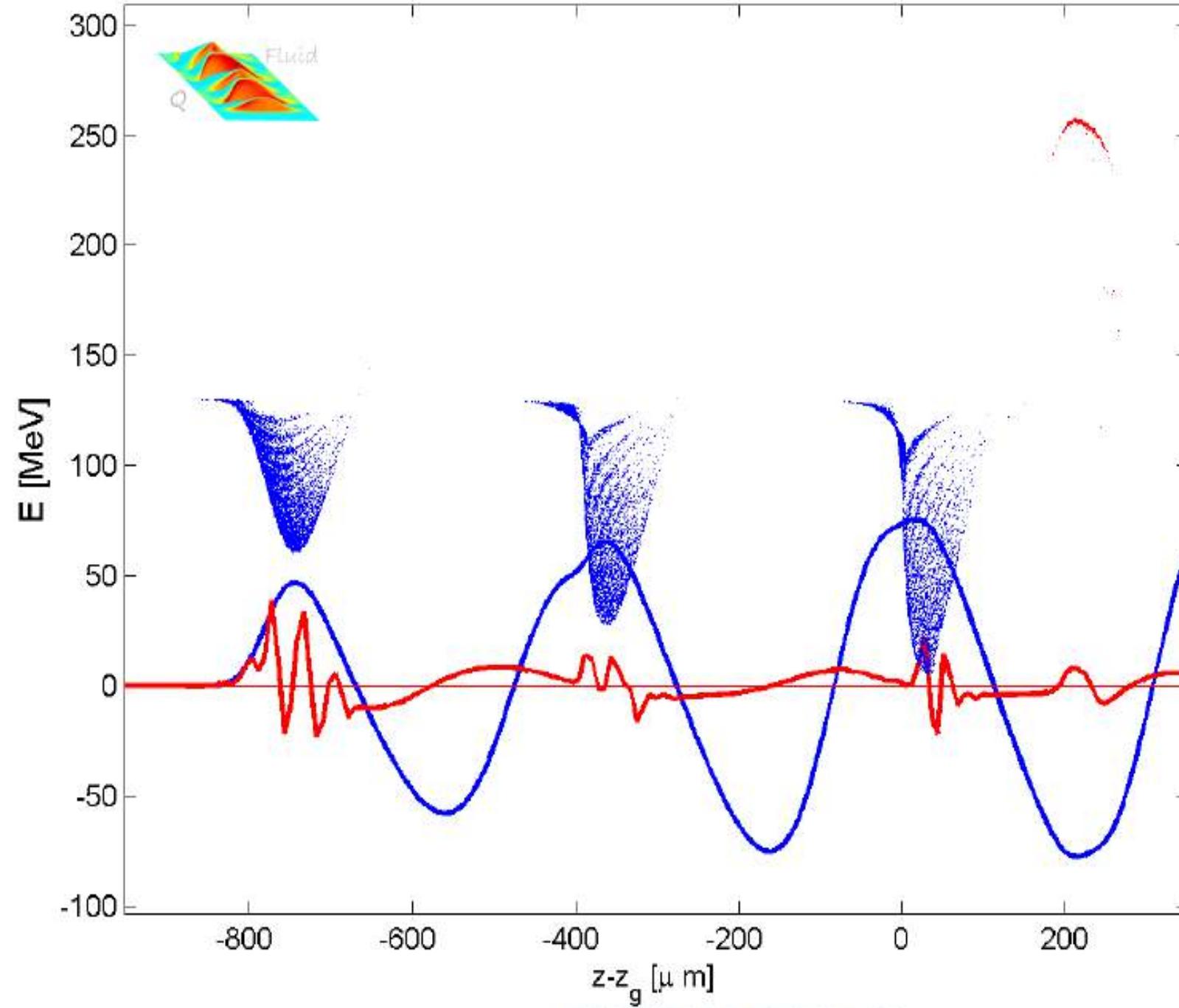


- A laser beam excites plasma waves in a capillary filled with gas
- A high brightness electron beam uses this wave to be accelerated

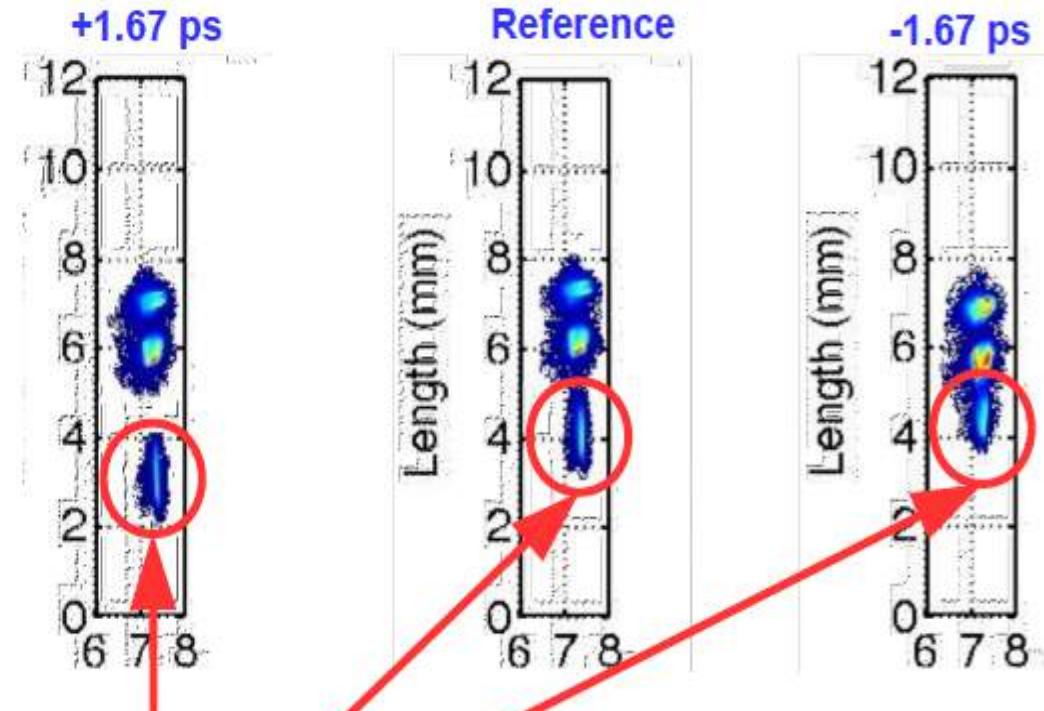
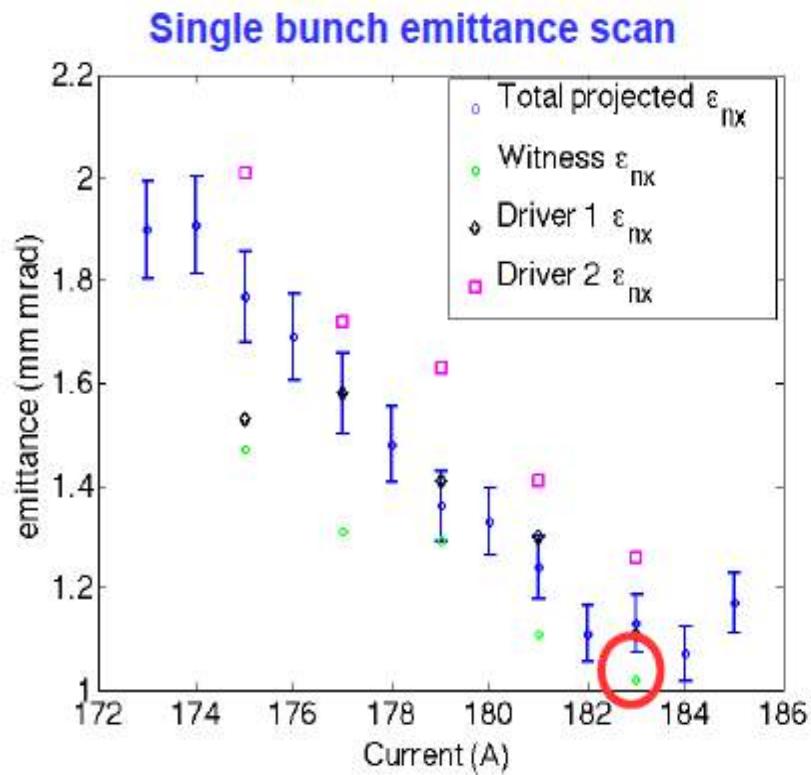
$$n_e = 1 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$
$$\lambda_p = 100 \mu\text{m}$$

Capillary 100 μm  
Hydrogen

$n_0 = 8e15 \text{ 1/cm}^3$ , Pos: -100 mm,  $\sigma_x$  DRIVER:369.91  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_x$  WITNESS:42.87  $\mu\text{m}$

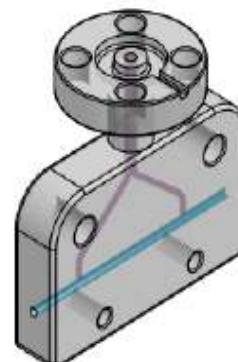
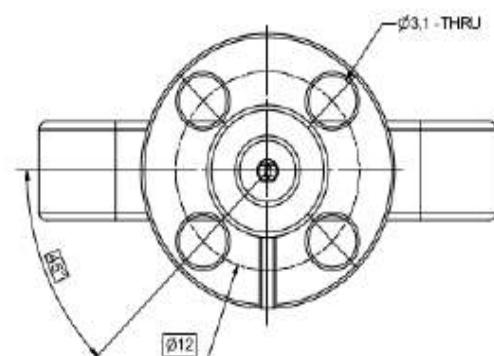
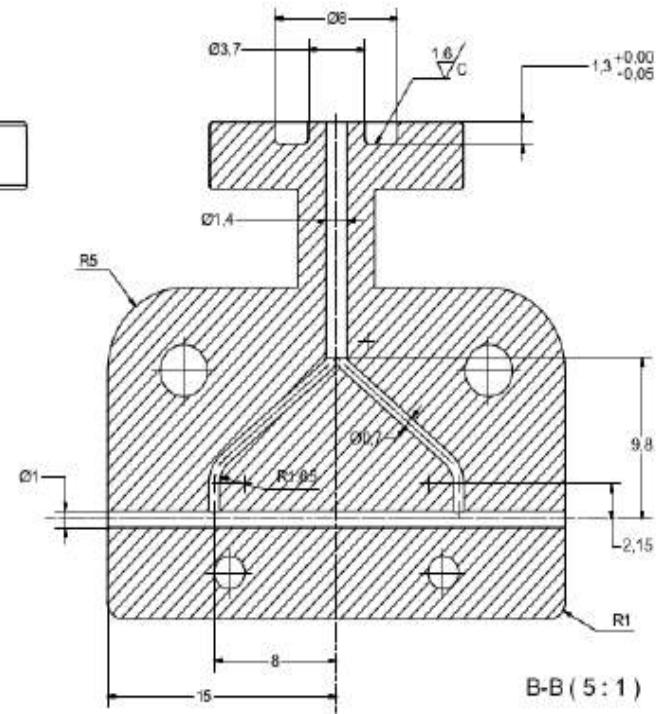
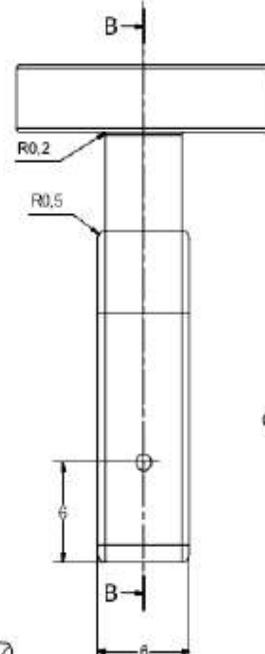
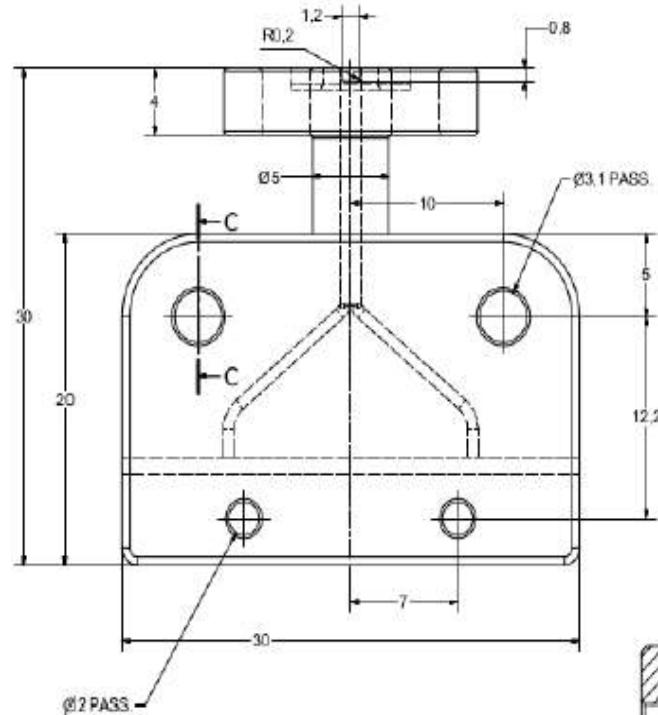


# *Witness – tuning and characterization*



**Witness position tuning  
with laser delay line!**

# Plasma capillary

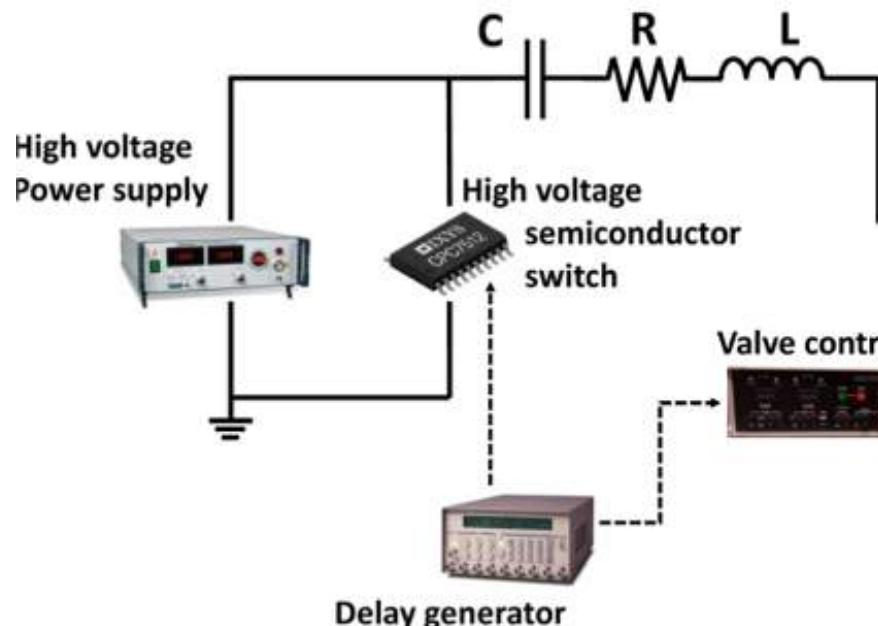


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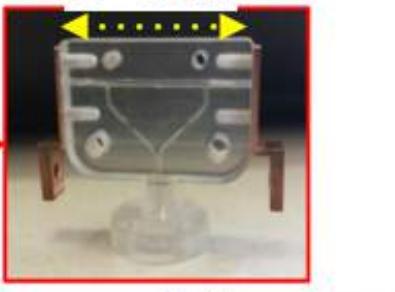
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# Plasma Source

## H<sub>2</sub>-filled capillary discharge

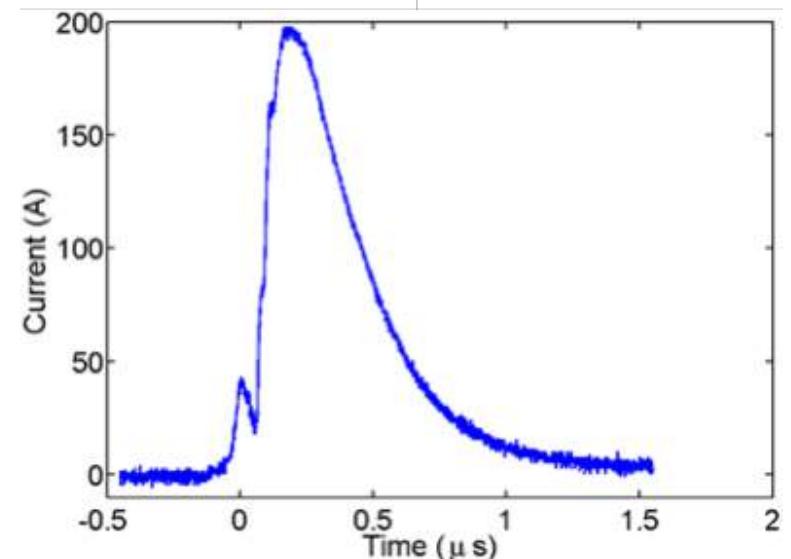


$L = 3 \text{ cm}$



Capillary plasma

## Measured current



$P_{\text{H}_2} = 10 \text{ mbar}$

Total discharge duration: 800 ns

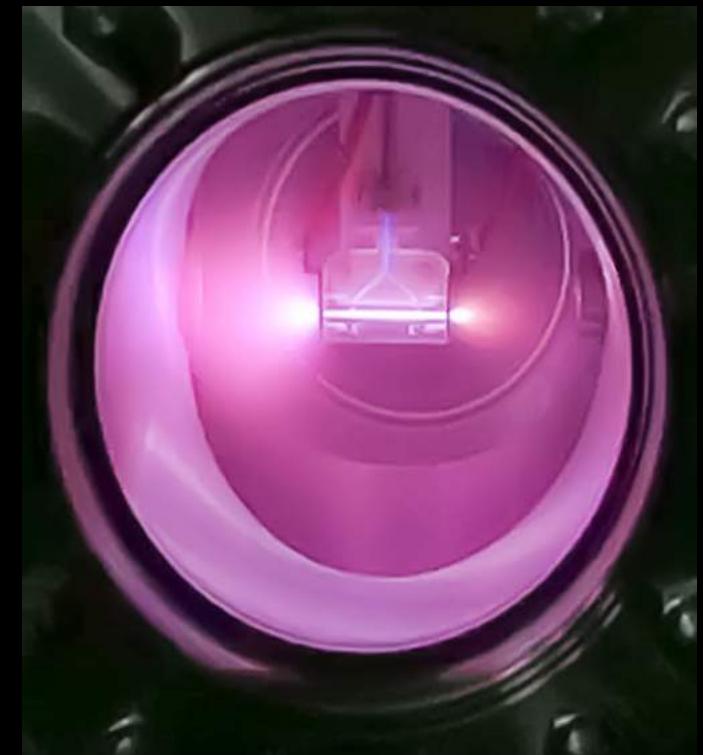
Voltage: 20 kV

Peak current: 200 A

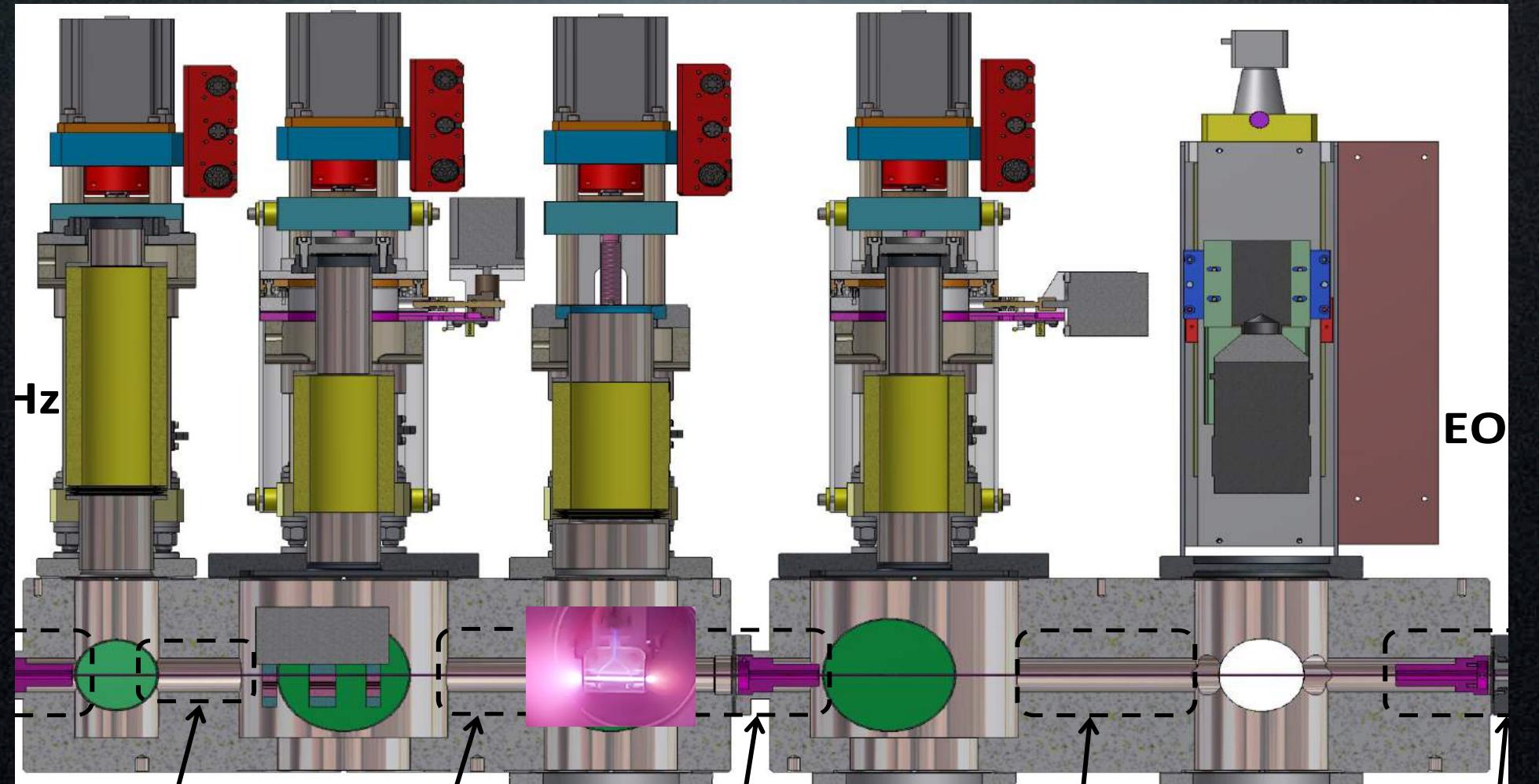
Capacitor: 6 nF

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# Capillary Discharge at SPARC\_LAB



# PWFA - Particle Wake Field Accelerator

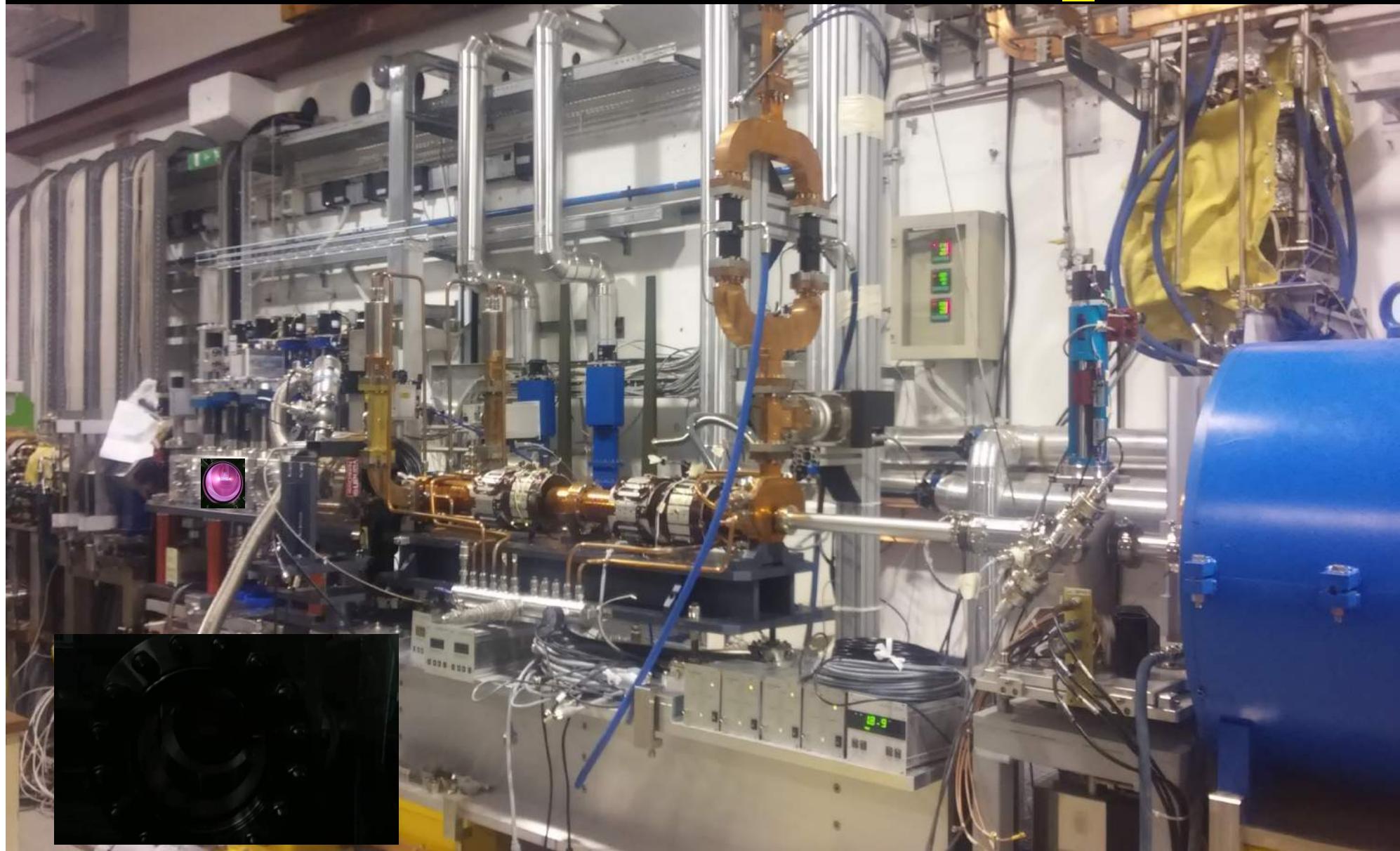


Focusing  
PMQ

PWFA  
module

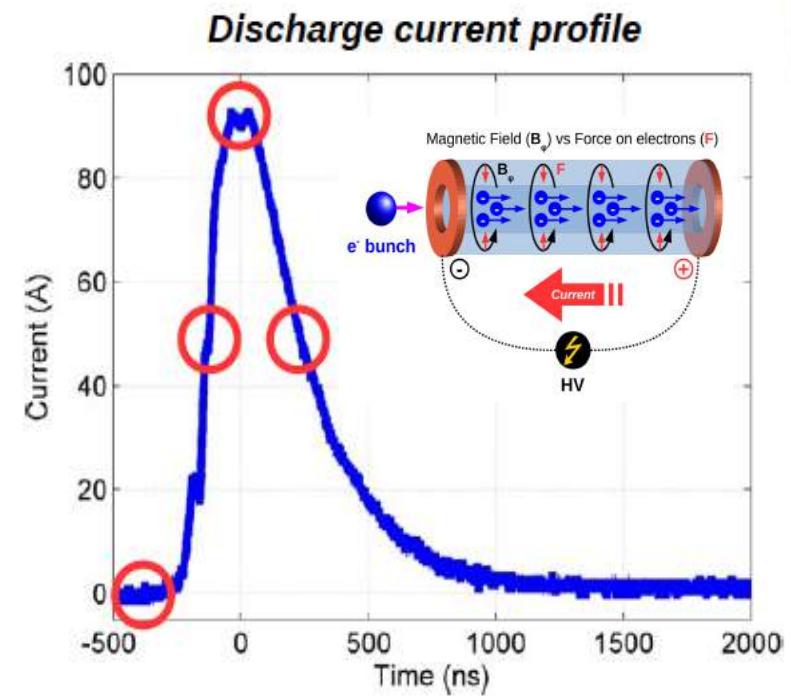
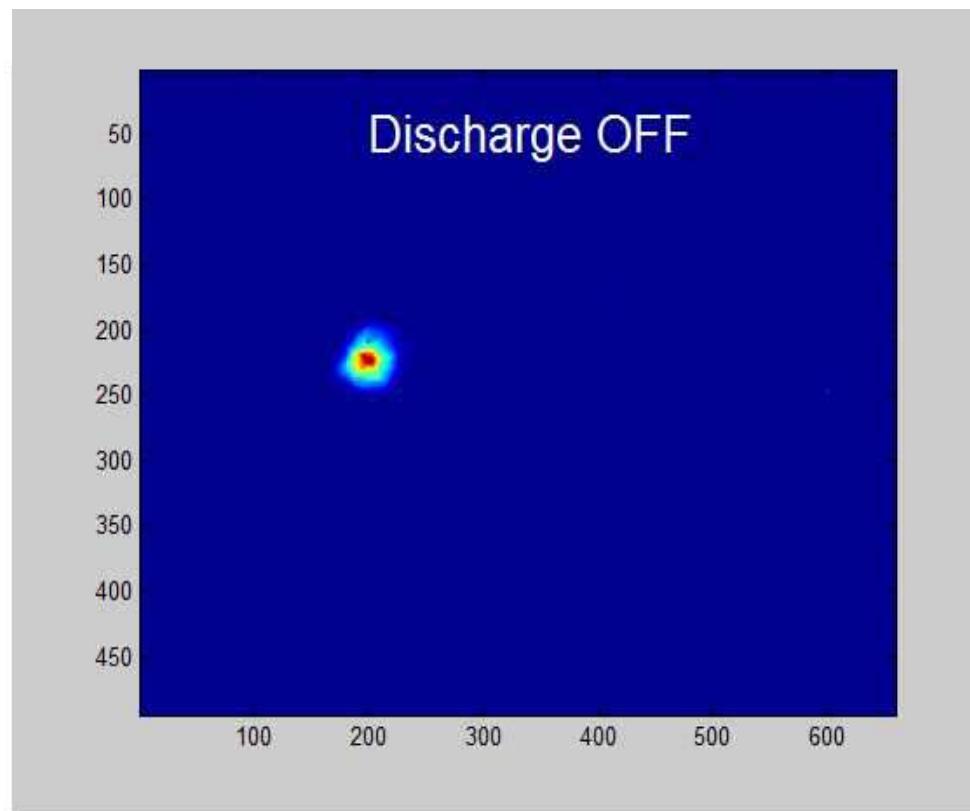
Capture  
PMQ

# PWFA vacuum chamber at SPARC\_LAB



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