Eupraxia & Sparc_lab

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Project Office – (LNF Steering Board)

LNF Director - LNF Administration — Resp. Divisioni (R,A,T) Edilizia — Impianti — Sicurezze — Radio Prot. - Project Leader & Technical Team

- A Project Office has been established aiming to bring together in a "control room" some of the key figures of the project and to be the indispensable managerial-organizational complement to the activities of the EuPRAXIA @ SPARC_LAB Collaboration, which remains responsible for the technical-scientific choices of the project, as well as its construction, installation, installation and achievement of scientific goals.
- The mandate of the PO will include:
 - deliver the Organisational Breakdown Structure (OBS) of the EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB project
- carry out all the steps necessary for the construction of the building intended to house EuPRAXIA @ SPARC_LAB, monitor the project and its execution, the installation of technical services and the performance of all tender and administrative procedures, including the timing and financial resources;
- carry out all the necessary steps for the preparation of the Technical Design Report for each subsystem of the EuPRAXIA @ SPARC_LAB machine, monitor the project, also in relation to the necessary R&D developments. Subsequently, coordinate their construction, installation and implementation, with particular regard to the timing and aspects relating to human and financial resources.

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Implementation: 5 Pillars



The **proposed EuPRAXIA implementation model** relies on various pillars:

- 1. The **common goal** of the EuPRAXIA consortium, as described above.
- 2. Several groups or **clusters of institutes** that address particular and well-defined challenges in the EuPRAXIA project. **International partners** are included through bilateral or EU programs, within the rules of funding agencies.
- 3. **Four EuPRAXIA support facilities in France, Portugal, UK and Czech Republic.** The support facilities provide the scientific and technical capabilities required for solving critical R&D challenges in due time. These facilities will profit heavily from already existing infrastructures and expertise.
- 4. **Two EuPRAXIA construction sites in Italy and Germany** where the consortium will build the final plasma accelerators and user lines, realizing complementary technologies and applications.
- 5. An **overarching and lean EuPRAXIA project management structure**. It coordinates the overall technical design and prototyping, it oversees construction work, and it links to **industrial partners** through work packages at the collaborating institutes (funding passes through existing institutes and administrative structures).



Implementation: Clusters



The EuPRAXIA consortium proposes the following clusters of institutes for addressing the critical challenges in our project:

- 1. **Cluster theory and simulation**: Performance predictions, specification of hardware, evaluation of measured hardware performance, development of new concepts and mitigation measures. Institutes: ...
- 2. **Cluster laser technology**: R&D on laser drivers, prototyping, tests, construction of final hardware. Institutes: ...
- 3. **Cluster plasma accelerator:** R&D on plasma sources, targets and plasma injectors, prototyping, tests, construction of final hardware. Institutes: ...
- 4. **Cluster RF and accelerator technology:** R&D on RF injectors, RF drivers, transfer lines, prototyping, tests, construction of final hardware. Institutes: ...
- 5. **Cluster application development**: R&D on applications and required components (undulators, collimation, experimental areas), prototyping, tests, construction of final hardware. Institutes: ...
- 6. **Cluster diagnostics**: R&D on diagnostics, prototyping, tests, construction of final hardware. Institutes: ...
- 7. Cluster xxx: ...



Implementation: 4 Support Facilities



The following four EuPRAXIA support facilities are being proposed:

- 1. A EuPRAXIA laser and prototyping facility on the Plateau de Saclay, close to Paris in France. A EuPRAXIA prototype laser will be installed by French EuPRAXIA institutes together with laser industry to generate and accelerate electron beams to 1 GeV. High quality feedback systems will be developed, acting on the parameters of the laser and the plasma structure developed in the French institutes. The Saclay prototype will be optimized to achieve the required stability goals for EuPRAXIA. In continuation of the COXINEL project in France, FEL quality beams will be demonstrated by generating FEL light. Both the plasma accelerator technology and the FEL process will then be optimized for EuPRAXIA.
- 2. A **EuPRAXIA** theory and simulation facility at the Instituto Superior Técnico in Lisbon, Portugal. The center will coordinate EuPRAXIA work on theory and simulations that will be performed at the various partner institutes. Common standards and comparability of results will be ensured. An increase of simulation capabilities through smarter algorithms and access to super computers will be essential to establish a full operational model of EuPRAXIA performance including imperfections, feedback systems and user needs.



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- 3. A **EuPRAXIA application beamline facility in the UK**. The Central Laser Facility CLF (Rutherford Appleton Laboratory), the CLARA facility at Daresbury (Cockcroft Institute), the SCAPA facility in Glasgow (University of Strathclyde) and the Queen's University Belfast combine unique expertise in plasma accelerators, in X-ray based medical imaging, in industrial applications and in schemes for positron production. The UK-based EuPRAXIA consortium will design and prototype a EuPRAXIA application beamline.
- 4. A EuPRAXIA incubator at ELI-Beamlines at Prague, Czech Republic for user aspects and for transfer of plasma accelerator technology into ELI. The EuPRAXIA incubator at ELI will provide input and guidance on key components for high repetition rate laser-driven FELs from the laser community to EuPRAXIA. In addition, it will provide ELI with a direct open innovation access to the accelerator technology developed inside the EuPRAXIA project, such that it can provide this to its users.

The concepts, the technical designs, technical drawings of prototype devices and results achieved at the facilities listed above and at the construction sites (see below) will be made available in the form of open innovation to the whole consortium. The facilities described above will serve as continued development and testing areas during EuPRAXIA operation, developing necessary improvements for various components or preparing facility upgrades.



Implementation: 2 Construction Sites



In parallel to and after the technical design and prototyping work, we foresee that **the consortium will construct the joint EuPRAXIA plasma accelerator and user facilities**. Considering constraints and interests in the collaborating institutes and countries, the conceptual design has converged on two construction sites at existing laboratories with complementary technology and user areas:

1. The EuPRAXIA facility for the laser-driven plasma accelerator is constructed in Hamburg, Germany. The host laboratory is DESY and laser pulses will be provided from industrial lasers, as developed for the EuPRAXIA needs. The Hamburg site of EuPRAXIA will build on the investments in laser-driven plasma acceleration that have been put forward by the German and Hamburg governments and the Helmholtz association since 2012, for example as part of the ATHENA project. This proposal also reflects on the German interest in the most compact accelerator solution for future FELs, complementing the existing big science FELs at DESY and in Germany. User applications for EuPRAXIA@ATHENA will focus on a compact 1-5 GeV free-electron laser, plasma-based medical imaging, a compact positron source for applications and test beams.



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2. The EuPRAXIA for the beam-driven plasma accelerator is constructed in Frascati, Italy. The host lab is LNF/INFN and the electron driver will rely on the most compact RF technology available, namely X band structures from CERN. The Frascati site of EuPRAXIA will build on the investments in beam-driven plasma acceleration at SPARC_LAB. This proposal also reflects on the Italian interest in an FEL user facility that combines a 1 GeV RF-based FEL option with a plasma-based advanced FEL setup at possibly higher energy. EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB would be the first FEL on the Frascati site. The dual approach will ensure that a new FEL user community at Frascati can be served with maximum availability and flux. User applications for EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB will focus on a 1 GeV free-electron laser with an upgrade to 2-5 GeV, a Thomson photon source, high energy positron beams and test beams.

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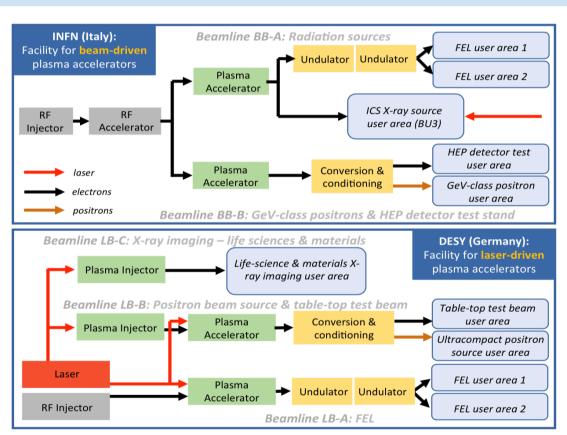


Phased Implementation of Construction Sites



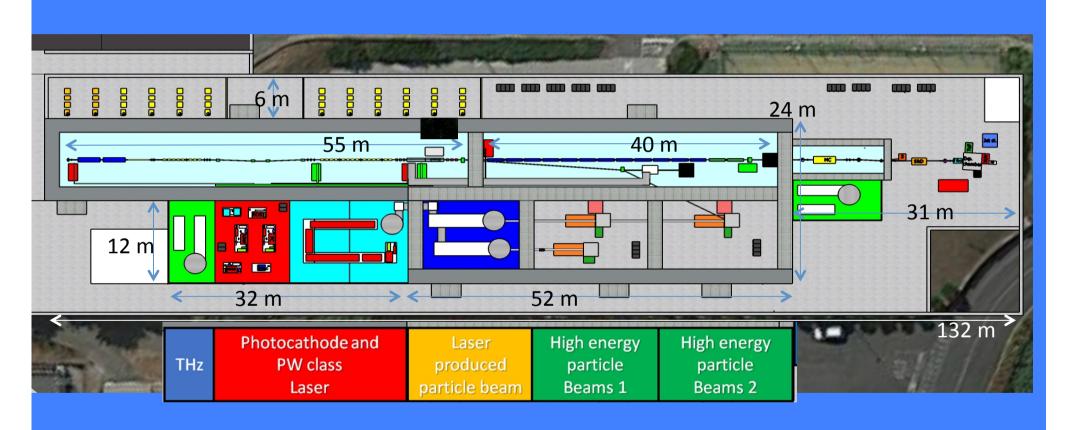
Phase 0

	DESY	INFN
Phase 1	✓ FEL beamline to 1 GeV+ user area 1	FEL beamline to 1 GeV + user area 1
	✓ <u>Ultracompact positron</u> <u>source beamline</u> + positron user area	✓ <u>GeV-class positrons</u> <u>beamline</u> + positron user area
Phase 2	✓ X-ray imaging beamline + user area	✓ <u>ICS source</u> beamline + user area
	✓ Table-top test beams user area	✓ HEP detector tests user area
	✓ FEL user area 2	✓ FEL user area 2
	✓ FEL to 5 GeV	✓ FEL to 5 GeV
Phase 3	✓ High-field physics beamline / user area	✓ Medical imaging beamline / user area
	✓ Other future developments	✓ Other future developments

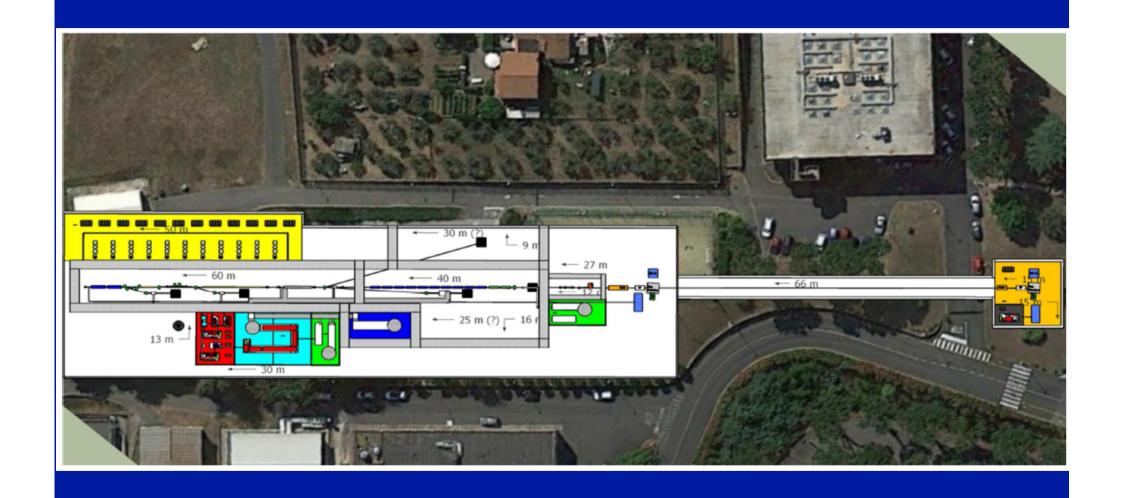


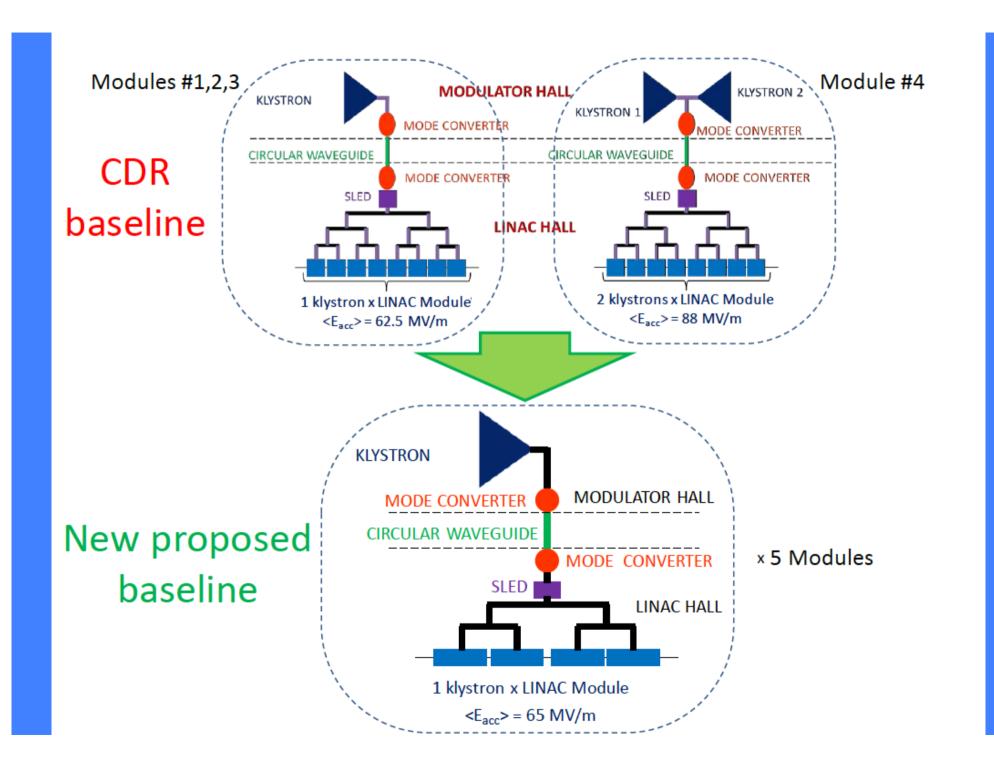
R. Assmann, EuPRAXIA Retreat – Feb 2019

• A more detailed Machine Layout is in progress and it will allow a more precise definition of the available room for the "European beam lines"



Possible building extension







EU Design Study Approved

3 years – 3 MEuro Coordinator: G. D'Auria (Elettra) Focus on X-band technology



The key objective of the CompactLight Design Study is to demonstrate, through a conceptual design, the feasibility of an innovative, compact and cost effective FEL facility suited for user demands identified in the science case.

REMINDER: CompactLight Preliminary Specification

	Soft x-ray	Hard x-ray	
Photon energy [keV] (min-max)	0.25 - 2	2 - 25	
Wavelength [nm] (max-min)	5 - 0.6	0.6 - 0.05	
Repetition rate [Hz]	n rate [Hz] 1000		
Maximum pulse energy [mJ]	Not specified	1 (at 25 keV, less at other energies?)	
Number of photons	Not specified	2.5 x 10 ¹¹ at 25 keV	
Pulse duration [fs]	0.1-50		
Polarisation	Variable, selectable	Not specified	
Two-colour pulses: time separation [fs]	-20 -> +40		
Two-colour pulses: photon energy variation (max. of E2/E1)	2 (270-530eV), 1.2 for the rest of the range	1.1	

The table separates the FEL output requirements into the two regimes of operation (soft/hard x-ray) to show which parameters are required in combination.

3rd scenario: high rep rate – reduced peak power klystrons rep rate increase based on dedicated tubes, in substitution of or in addition to high peak power ones

Canon E37113 klystrons Scandinova solid state modulators

Parameters	Specifications	units
	E37113	
RF Frequency	11.9942	GHz
Peak RF power	6	MW
RF pulse length	5	μs
Pulse repetition rate	400	Hz
Klystron voltage	150	kV
Micro perveance	1.5	



6 MW, 1.5 μs,
1 kHz
Canon E37113

MODE CONVERTER

MODULATOR HALL

CIRCULAR WAVEGUIDE

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LINAC HALL

2 klystrons x LINAC Module $\langle E_{acc} \rangle = 65$ MV/m @ 100 Hz $\langle E_{acc} \rangle = 23$ MV/m @ 1 kHz

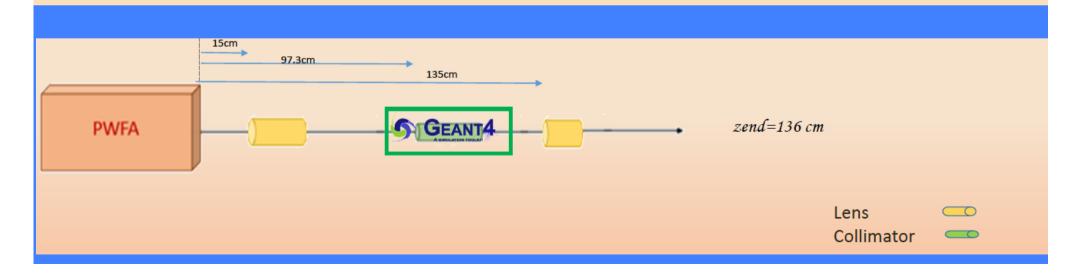
6 MW, 1.5 μs, 1 kHz operation probably possible

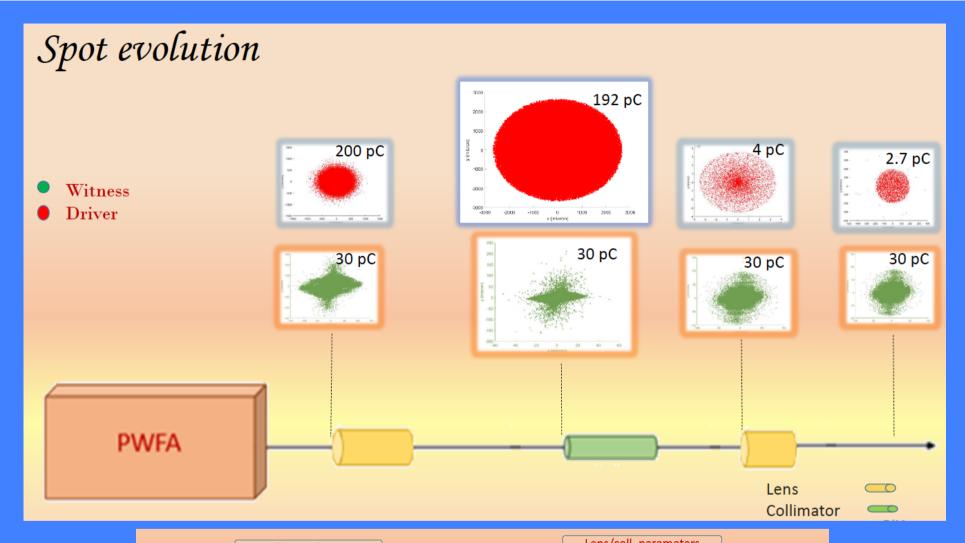
- 1 kHz rep rate capability, with linac energy up to ≈ 410 MeV (35% of the max value);
- Switching or combining 2 sources would preserve high gradient at low rep rate;
- If source combination is possible, gradients > 30 MV/m available at rep rates ≤ 250 Hz;
- CPI will probably announce a new tube capable of delivering 10 MW, 1.5 μ s, 1 kHz (\approx 30 % gradient increase wrt E37113)

Compact and tunable active-plasma lens-based system for witness extraction and driver removal

Pasqualina Iovine INFN-NA DIPARTIMENTO DI FISICA-UNINA

Under the supervision of Dr Riccardo Pompili Collaboration with Dr Alessio Del Dotto

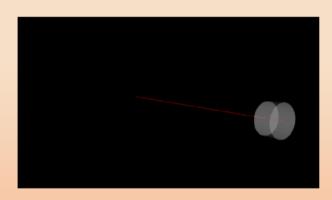




	Z start=0 cm			
	Charge (pC)	Emittance (µm)	σ_x (μm)	Energy (MeV)
Witness	30	0.6	1	1000
Driver	200	5.0	7	460

Lens/coll parameters				
	I (cm)	d(cm)	I(kA)	r (μ m)
lens1	2	15	1	500
coll	3	97,3	-	200
lens2	1	135	0,583	500

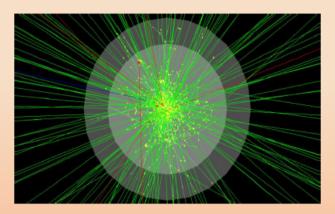
Geant4 simulation



Wtness electrons in collimator

Main electromagnetic processes included:

- Ionization energy loss
- •Production of gamma rays
- Bremsstrahlung
- Multiple scattering
- •Photoelectric Effect, Compton scattering, Pair production



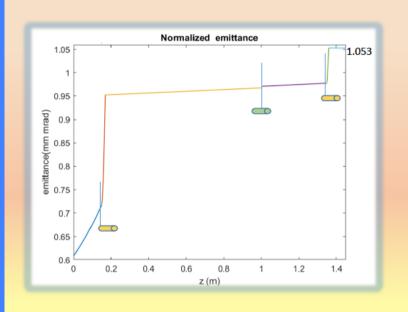
Interaction of driver electrons with collimator.

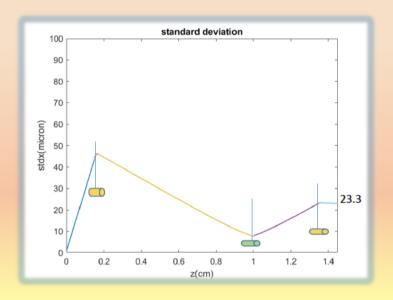
Negative charges ->red Positive charges -> blue Neutral charges -> green



The rest of the simulations made only with primary electrons

Witness parameters along transport line





Lens Collimator



zstart=0 cm

	Charge (pC)	Emittan ce (µm)	σ_x (μm)	Energy (MeV)	energy spread (MeV)
Witness	30	0.6	1	1000	5
Driver	200	5.0	7	460	70

zend=136 cm (exit 2° lens)

Charge (pC)	Emittan ce (µm)	$\sigma_x \ (\mu m)$
30	1.05	23
2.7	6.86	138





Article

The Potential of EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB for Radiation Based Techniques

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5 GeV plasma based case

Train of N drivers $R_T \approx 2 \mbox{N}$

$$\gamma = 2348$$

$$\epsilon_{n(x,y)}=1\text{mm mrad}$$

$$\sigma_z = 33 \mu m$$

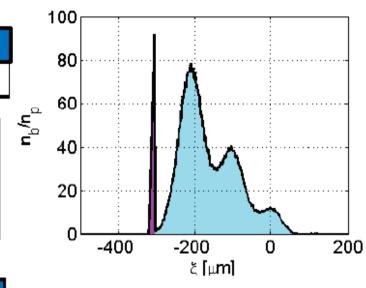
$$\sigma_{x,v} = 1 \mu m$$

$$Q_{tot} = 40 + 140 + 270pC$$

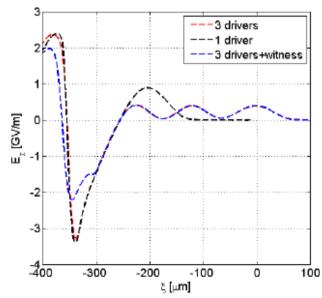
Plasma density

$$n_p = 2.5 \cdot 10^{16} \text{cm}^{-3}$$

Train of drivers allows to reach transformer ratio >2







Witness

Triangular shape

3 kA peak current

$$y = 2348$$

$$\epsilon_{n(x,y)}=0.7\text{mm mrad}$$

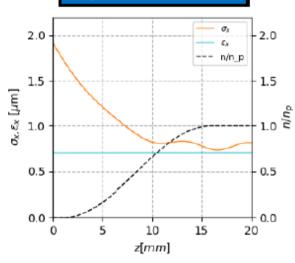
$$\sigma_z = 16 \mu m (3.8 \text{ rms})$$

$$\sigma_{x,y}=0.8\mu m$$

$$Q = 30pC$$

Witness Evolution (1.6 m)

Injection detail



$$E_z = 1.65 GV/m$$

$$R_{T} = 3.65$$

Witness evolution

2.0 2.0 --- n/n_p 1.5 1.5 1.5 ω^x, ε^x [nm] 0.5 0.5 0.0 -0.0 500 1000 1500 z[mm]1.0 σ_E 8.0 4 Energy [GeV] $\sigma_{\mathbb{E}}[\%]$ 0.4

500

1000

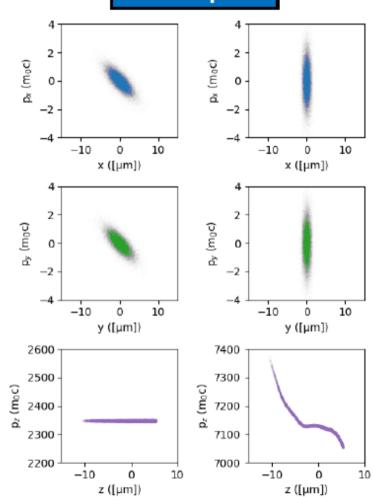
z[mm]

0.2

0.0

1500

Phase space



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IST/UCLA INFN OSIRIS Agreement signed

This agreement is entered to between Luis O. Silva and Massimo Ferrario on Date May I™, 2019

The ID, 2D and 3D particle-in-cell code OSIRIS is distributed for collaborative projects with the partners of the OSIRIS Consortium. The OSIRIS Consortium is currently composed of the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), and the Instituto Superior Tecnico (IST). This Consortium is currently funded in the US by the Department of Energy and the National Science Foundation, and in Portugal is funded by the European Union and by the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia.

Currently, the OSIRIS software infrastructure is maintained on a server at IST. By giving the Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN), Frascati, Italy, access and permission to use the IST server, it is understood that the scientific work and the development of the OSIRIS resources should be developed in close collaboration between the INFN and the OSIRIS Consortium. Professors L.O. Silva at IST and W.B. Mori at UCLA should be aware of research and results based on the use of OSIRIS.

The OSIRIS Consortium is willing to provide access to the OSIRIS 4.0 infrastructure available at/on the IST server that includes

- OSIRIS 4.0 source code
- OSIRIS 4.0 binaries (for a limited number of platforms)
- Existing online documentation
- Visualization infrastructure (vizXD)
- Version control server for OSIRIS and vizXD
- OSIRIS 4.0 mailing list

Under the following rules:

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- The OSIRIS 4.0 infrastructure, as a whole or its individual components, cannot be used, distributed, copied, provided or accessed without the written agreement of the OSIRIS Consortium
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- 7. The registered members of the OSIRIS 4.0 infrastructure at the INFN (all of which agree to abide this agreement now and in the future) are:
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Two injectors option



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SPARC_LAB SciCom Recommendations

- The priorities of beam-driven versus laser-driven plasma acceleration experiments at SPARC_LAB should be reviewed with consideration of available resources, impact of R&D and theEuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB goals.
- The SPARC_LAB team should develop a list of science topics and measurements required to support the EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB proposal and to demonstrate critical feasibility issues.
- A beam-driven SPARC_LAB plasma accelerator setup should be operated over an extended period, for example one week, to demonstrate and test the required reliability and stability for EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB.
- Experimental results with plasma lens-based beam focusing and beam transport should be compared with focusing and transport by permanent magnet quadrupoles (PMQs).
- The laboratory management is encouraged to continue promoting SPARC_LAB and its activities as a critical lab activity in preparation for the EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB project.

Plasma Dechirper

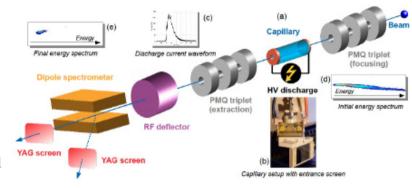


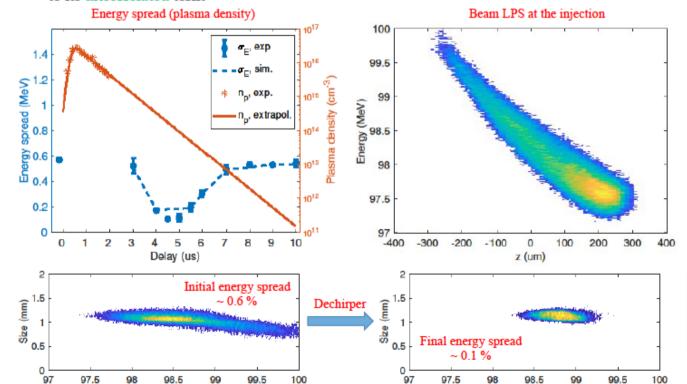
- Beam-driven plasma wakefields can be used to tune/reduce the beam energy-chirp
 - The tail of the beam is decelerated with respect to the head
- Several knobs allow to adjust the energy-time correlation

Energy (MeV)

 Plasma density, bunch charge/density, bunch length, capillary length

 It allows to remove such correlation and reduce the overall energy spread to its uncorrelated term





Energy (MeV)

Beam parameters

- ✓ E=100 MeV
- ✓ Q=200 pC
- $\checkmark \sigma_{x,y} \approx 20(32) \, \mu m$
- $\sigma_z = 75 \ \mu m \ (250 \ fs)$
- $\checkmark \quad \varepsilon_{x,v} \approx 1.1(1.4) \ \mu m$

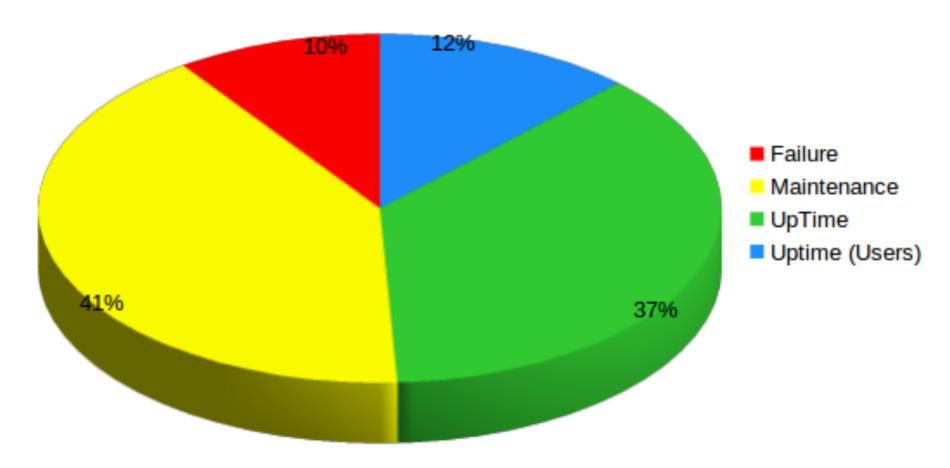
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SPARC 2019 Uptime



SPARC Time

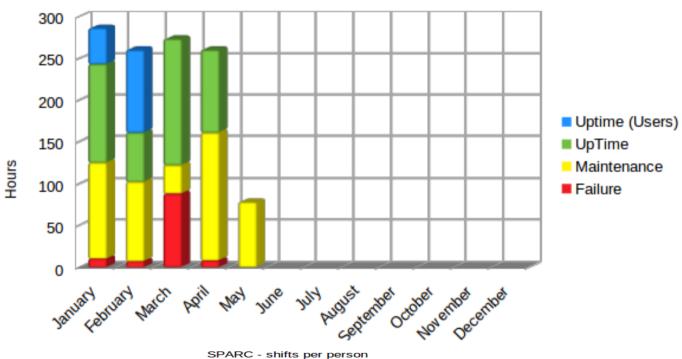


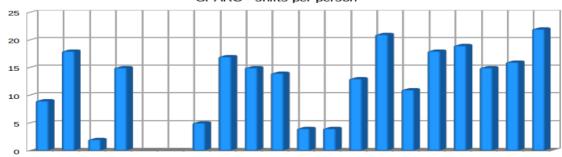


2019 activity detail



SPARC - Monthly activity







Summary of December activities



SPARC operations have begun in December after fixing the failure of the K2 ceramic window

Several tasks have been accomplished in few days of activities

Beam-based alignment of PMQs in the COMB chamber. Preservation of emittance downstream the focusing system. Tests done with single-bunch (on-crest)

Definition of the COMB working point (200 pC driver + 20 pC witness). Characterization of the compressed configuration with different bunch spacings.

PMQ focusing of the compressed COMB beam (to be optimized)

COMB beam-plasma interaction. First tests of acceleration (to be optimized)

Uptime still non optimal due to vacuum interlocks on K2 line

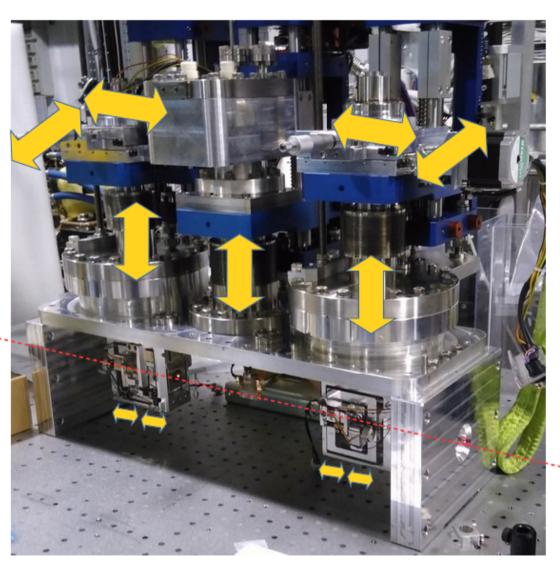
Operation at 50 MW (~100 MeV beam energy) was really unstable during data taking

Need to condition the W2BPHS01 phase-shifter (many interlocks came from it)



Magnetic alignment of PMQs





Expected average misalignment: ~15-20 um



PMQ beam-based alignment results



Alignment of PMQs was performed with single PMQ triplets and both

We moved the triplets in X/Y directions looking at the offset of the beam centroid

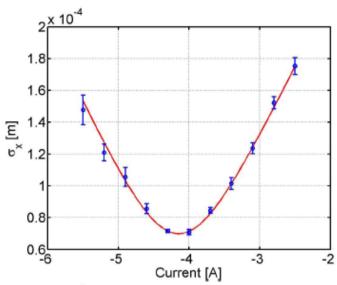
Finer adjustment looking to the emittance

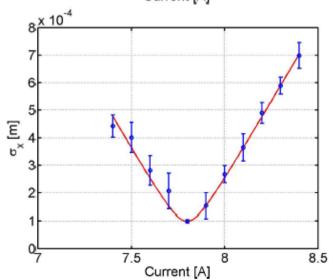
Emittance with no PMQ: 1.2(0.6) um in X(Y)

Emittance with 1st PMQ triplet: 1.2(0.7) um in X(Y)

Emittance with 2nd PMQ triplet: 1.2(0.6) um in X(Y)

Emittance with both triplets: 1.2(0.7) um in X(Y)







COMB beam (compression)



The compressed COMB beam was setup to try the first beam-plasma interactions

Few days of operation with many RF interlocks did not allow to fully characterize the beam and define a good working point. We need to improve

Trajectory

Emittance

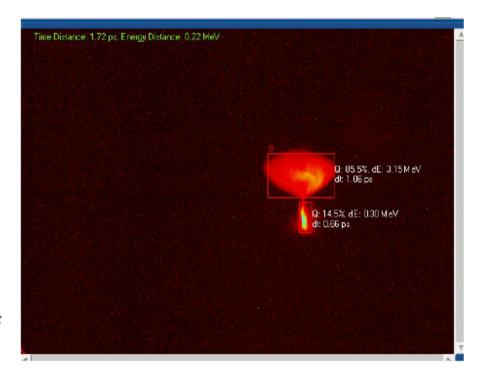
Energy spread

Bunch spacing

PMQ focusing

First tests showed a clear signature of deceleration (for one and two bunches)

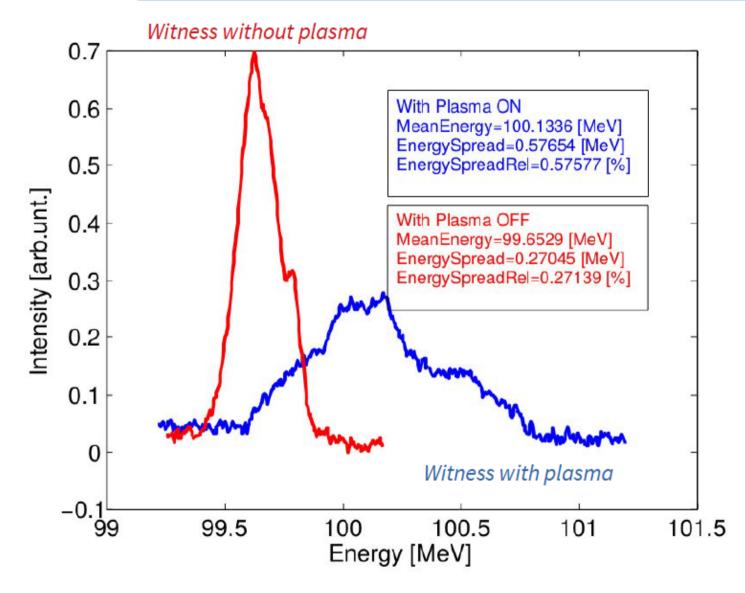
Small (unstable) acceleration reached





Beam-plasma interaction tests







Summary of January-February activities



SPARC beam time dedicated to user experiments. Machine stability was good after conditioning Smith-Purcell radiation-based diagnostics (Calipso+ collaboration)

Tested and validated a new electronic

Observed a signal that was dependant on the grating position, angle and pitch

Unfortunately, it seems that this signal was not coherent

THz-based diagnostics for single-shot measurements (ELI beamline)

Beam parameters at SPARC can be manipulated to produce CTR spectrum with high enough intensity within the wavelength range of interest

Several issues with experimental setup (alignment, detector, DAQ)

One-shot emittance experiment (LNF-ToV)

Lot of data acquired, analysis to be completed

Clear signals from multi-shot measurements

Performances of the ICCD must be improved/understood to have larger SNR on single-shot signals



Calipso+ experiment



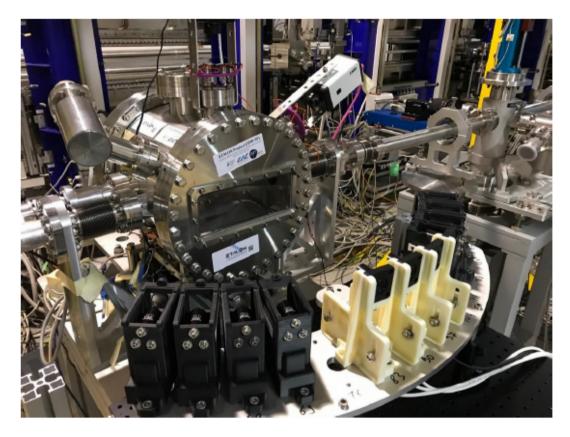
Charge: 300-400 pC

Duration: 200-500 fs (rms)

Energy: 100 MeV

Beam transported at the end of the dogleg line

Beam request: Large charge, short duration



The whole week was dedicated to Calypso experiments with Smith-Purcell radiation. The ultimate goal of these experiments is to measure the bunch length by measuring the radiation intensity, generated by grating, at different angles. The setup is located at the DogLeg line. Aside from necessity to transport the beam to DGL the beam needed to be compressed



ELI beamline experiment

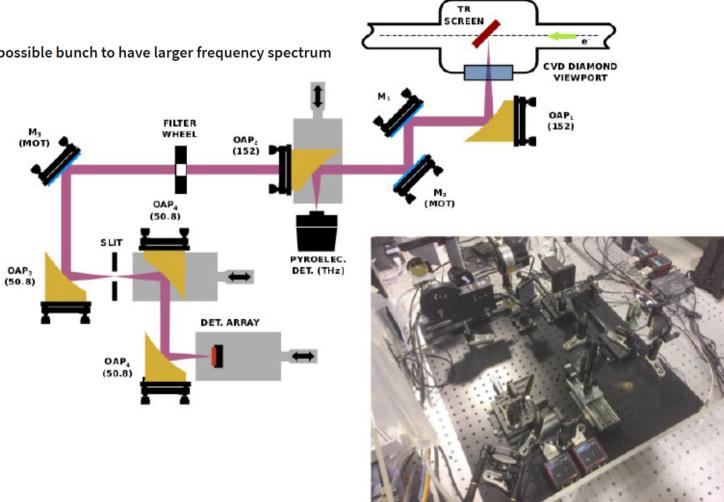


Charge: 20 pC

Duration: 20 fs (rms)

Energy: 100 MeV

Beam request: shortest possible bunch to have larger frequency spectrum





Summary of March-April-May activities



March: SPARC beam time dedicated to the preparation of the COMB experiment. Dual bunch operation (driver+witness)

Beam dynamics of 1 driver (200 pC) + witness (20-50 pC)

Tests of plasma deceleration/acceleration

Failure of the EVOLUTION laser pump. Replaced with the one from ENEA SEEDING laser

April: operations on the photo-cathode laser to shorten the witness pulse

Removal of Cube Polarizing Beam Splitter. Substituted with plates

Optimization of the UV generation. Now 100 fs fwhm UV pulses on cathode. Witness duration less than 50fs (rms)

Tests with IR laser on cathode. Very low charge observed. Laser too long? To be investigated

May: maintenance

Amplitude visit, removal of the ENEA Gas harmonics chamber. Control on fluids



Final beam parameters



Driver

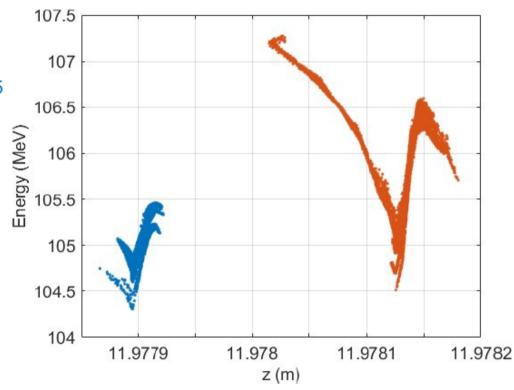
- Duration: 100 fs (rms)
- Energy spread: 0.55 MeV
- Emittance: 3.3 um, Twiss (α/β) : -0.2/1.5

Witness

- Duration: 25 fs (rms)
- Energy spread: 0.19 MeV
- Emittance: 2.6 um, Twiss (α/β) : -7.1/25

D+W (entire beam)

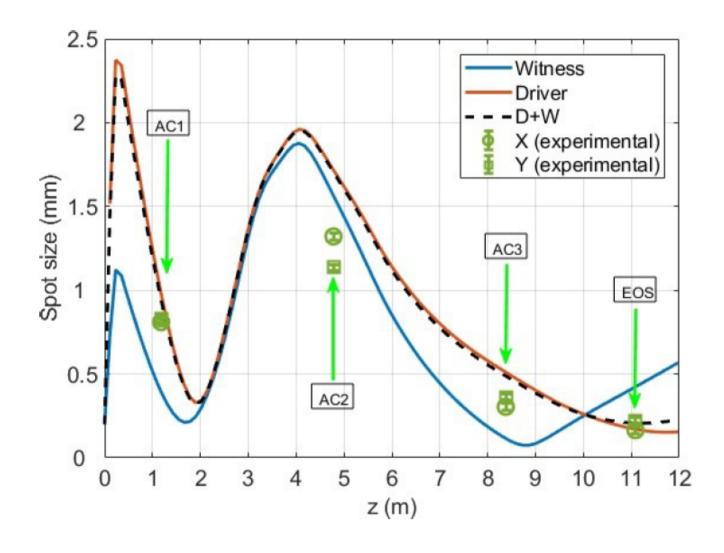
- Distance → 730 fs (220 um)
- Energy spread: 0.6 MeV
- Emittance \rightarrow 4.7 um, Twiss (α/β): -0.5/2.3





Comparison with experimental data





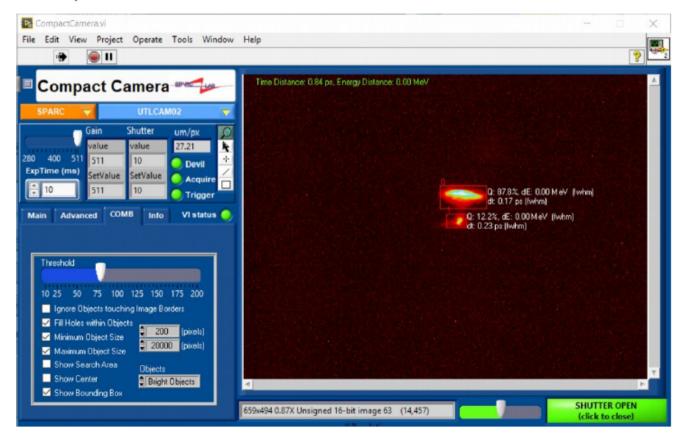


Measurements on the linac (compression)



After characterizing the on-crest we moved to the compression working point

-89° compression phase





PMQ focusing









Emittance



Measured emittances with RFD turned on → useful to evaluate single bunch

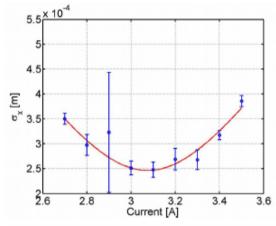
Twiss parameters

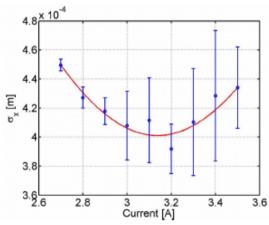
Witness

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Driver

emitnx=2.06902 mm mrad



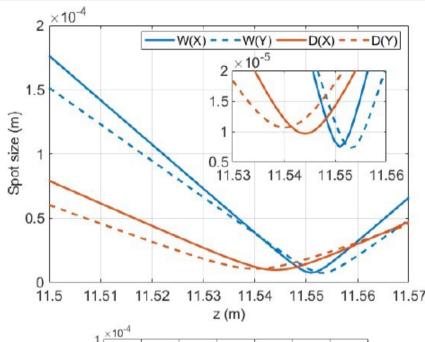


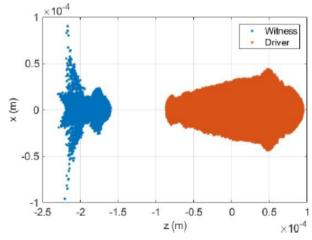


Final Focusing simulations



- Due to the different energies and envelopes → Driver and Witness are focused in different positions (about 5-6 mm in z)
- Considering the positions with round spots we have
 - Driver → 12 um (rms)
 - Witness → 8 um (rms)
- There is a growth of the witness emittance after focusing.
 - From 2.6 um to 4.6 um (rms)





Plasma acceleration experiment has started at the end of February and will continue till July 2019

Optimization of the working point (beam dynamics, no plasma) from 25th February to 23rd March

First tests of beam-plasma interaction from 25th March to 19th April

Technical stop is planned from 23rd April to 10th May

Maintenance/installations in the SPARC bunker

New Amplitude visit

Optimization of beam-plasma interaction from 13th May to 5th July

Several measurements on active plasma lens and wakefield will be performed till the closure of Labs in August



Laser parameter & tunability

Last configuration (220 pC, 2 bunch Comb):

Temporal length: <200fs FWHM, separation: 4 ps

Transverse dimension: 800 um diameter

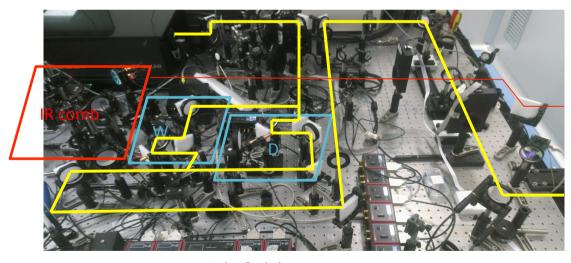
Energy: 100 uJ @264 nm, 2% rms stability

Duration tuning: 0.2-4 ps FWHM

Separation tuning: ±50 ps resolution 10 fs

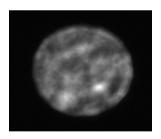
Transverse tuning: 250-1000 um diameter

Energy available: up to 300 uJ



Split & delay system

UV on virtual cathode





Laser operations and configurations

11/18	Amplitude installation of 2^{nd} CFR pump laser to reach nominal IR energy, single bunch configuration
12/18	Comb test with 2 pulses via birefringent crystal
01/19	Single bunch for Calipso+ users
02/19	Amplitude test for flat top pump configuration, installation of comb system with split & delay lines
03/19	Substitution of Evolution pump laser
04/19	Fine tuning of shortest temporal duration, IR comb test on cathode
05/19	Amplitude modification of laser pumps, split & delay with different dimensions and duration

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New laser parameters



Bunch charges

- Witness → 20 pC
- Driver → 200 pC

Time distance @ cathode

• 5 ps (witness before driver), tunable with delay line

Laser durations

- Witness → 100 fs (rms)
- Driver → 200 fs (rms) → must be longer than the witness!!!

Laser spot sizes

- Witness → 0.7 mm (fwhm)
- Driver → 1 mm (fwhm) → must be larger than the witness!!!



Compression Working Point



RF power

• Line 1 → 30 MW, Line 2 → 55 MW, Line 3 → 29 MW

RF Gun phase

• GUN → 40°+2° from phase zero

RF phases (with respect to the on-crest ones)

- S1 → -91°
- S2 → -30°
- C3 → -30°

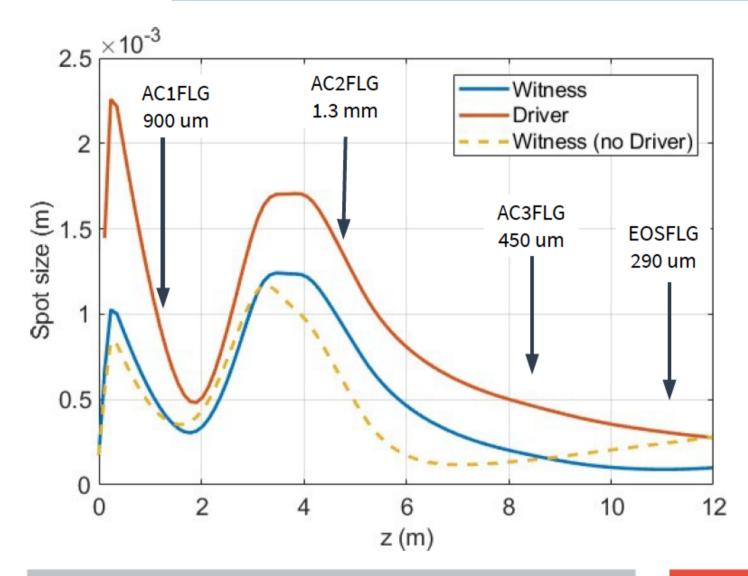
Magnets → now only the last two triplets on S1 are used. AC2SOL turned off

- GUNSOL → 200 A
- AC1SOL → 0 A, 0 A, 0 A, 80 A, 95 A
- AC2SOL → OFF



Envelope (compression)







Final beam parameters



Driver

• Duration: 174 fs (rms)

Energy spread: 0.4 MeV

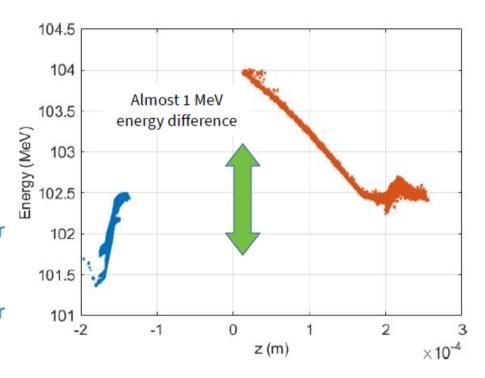
• Emittance: 2.8 um

Witness (without Driver it is more over-compressed)

- Duration: 20 fs (rms) → 30 fs without Driver
- Spread: 0.2 MeV → 0.5 MeV without Driver
- Emittance: 0.7 um → 0.4 um without Driver

D+W (entire beam)

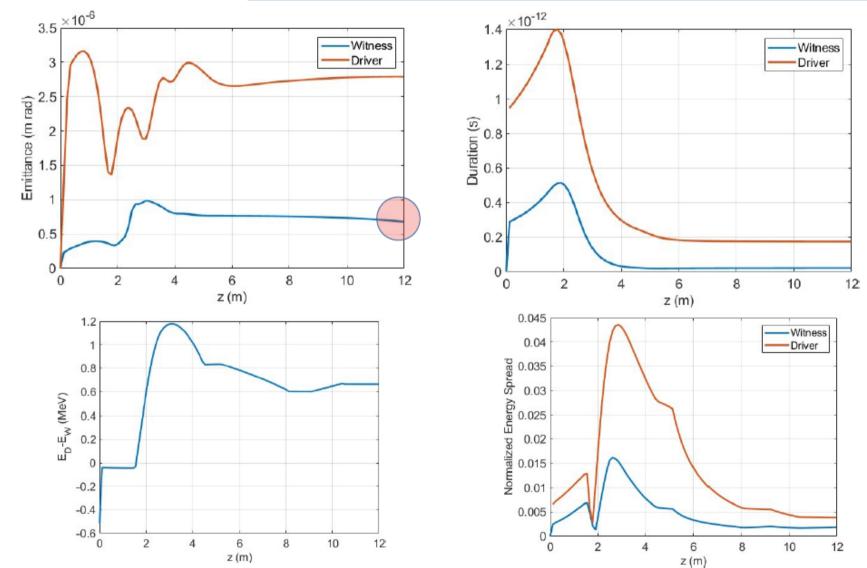
- Distance → 1.1 ps (330 um), Duration → 360 fs
- Energy spread: 0.44 MeV
- Emittance → 2.8 um





VB plots







Possible benefits of the new configuration



A shorter witness is obtained (it was 25 fs, now 20 fs)

By tuning the compression phase, also 16 fs are possible in principle

Witness emittance in VB now is <1um (it was 2-3 um before)

The W-D distance has been increased to test plasma acceleration at lower plasma densities

→ Relaxed parameters both for transverse and longitudinal planes

Larger distances better for diagnostics (emittance with RFD)

The Witness is in over-compression. The Driver now is in under-compression

The driver energy-chirp can be removed during the witness acceleration (→ dechirper)

Should be easier to distinguish the witness from the driver on the spectrometer



Final Focus



The small difference in energy between the bunches would produce waists in different positions along z

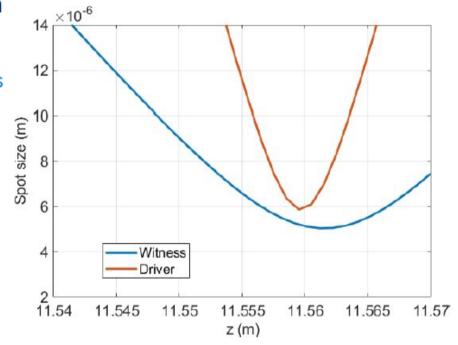
This is avoided by making the D-W envelopes slightly different

Witness waist → 5 um (rms)

Twiss-beta function: 7 mm

Driver waist → 6 um (rms)

Twiss-beta function: 4 mm



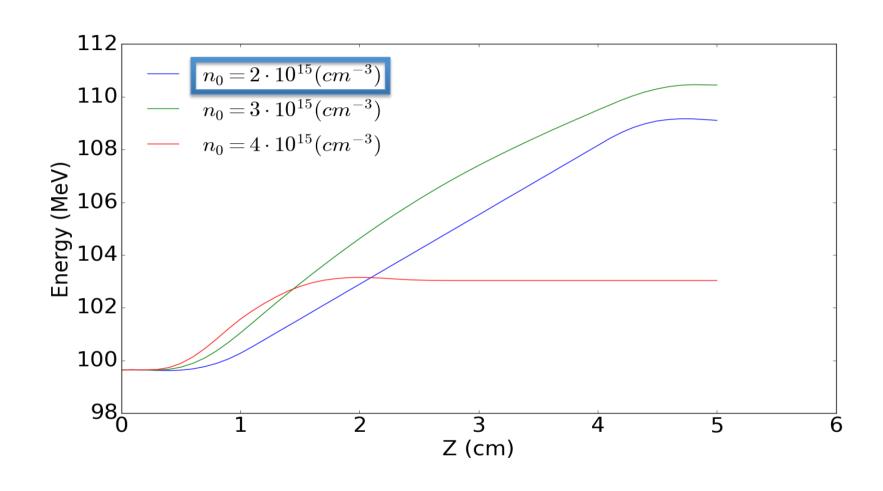


Input parameters for PWFA simulations

- Driver
- Charge 200 pC
- Spot size 26 um, length 52 um
- emittance 2.8 mm mrad
- alpha=4.4126, beta=0.0565 m
- Witness
- Charge 20 pC
- Spot size 10 um, length 6 um
- emittance 0.7 mm mrad
- alpha=1.8497, beta=0.0342
- Distance 1.1 ps
- Energy 100 MeV , Energy spread 0.4 %

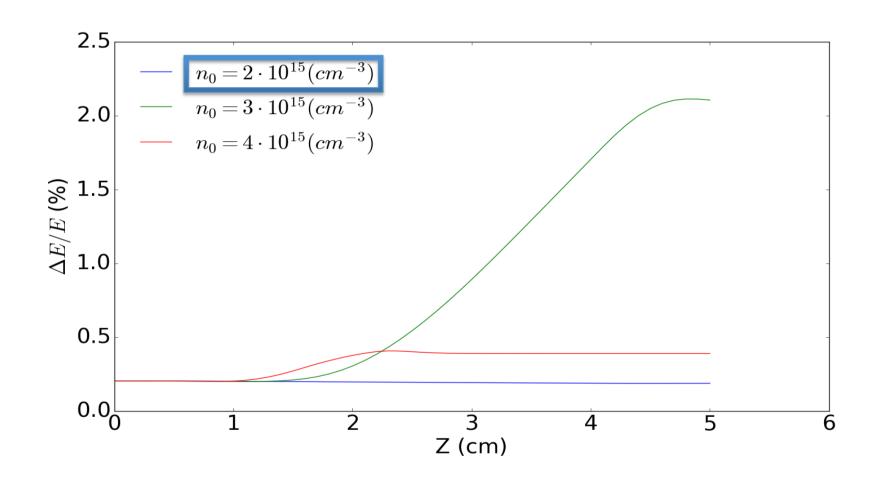


Energy at different plasma densities



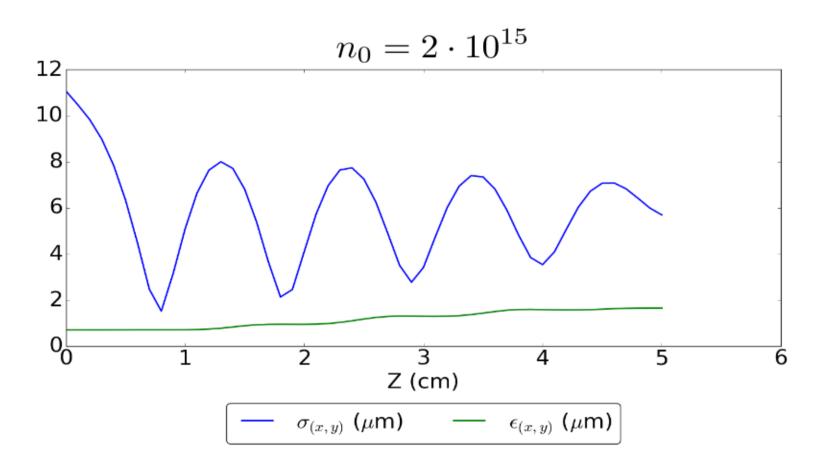


ΔE at different plasma densities



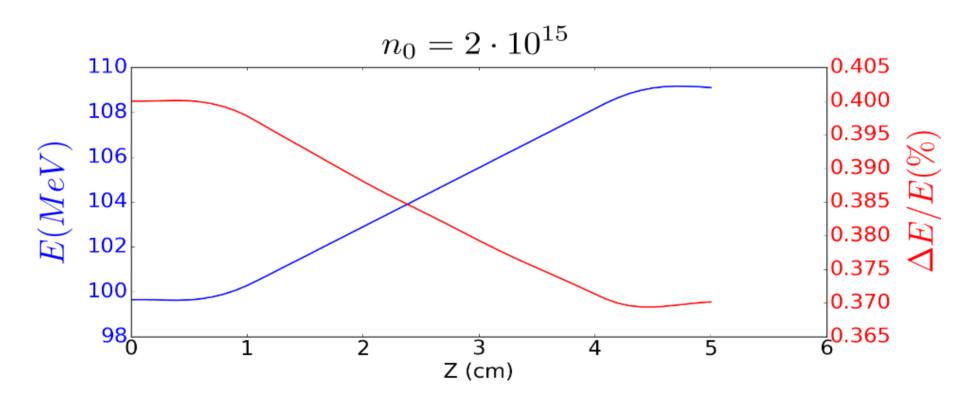


Spot and emittance



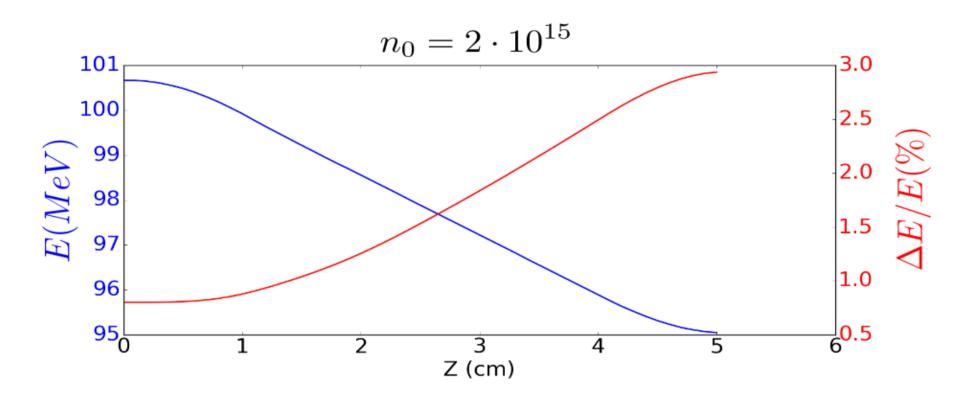


Witness energy gain



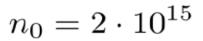


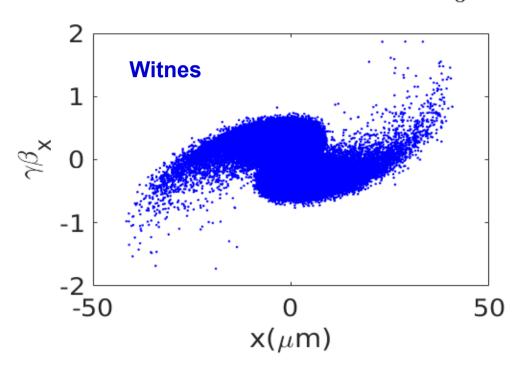
Driver energy loss

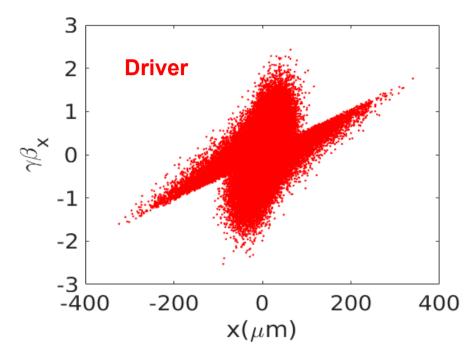




Transverse phase space

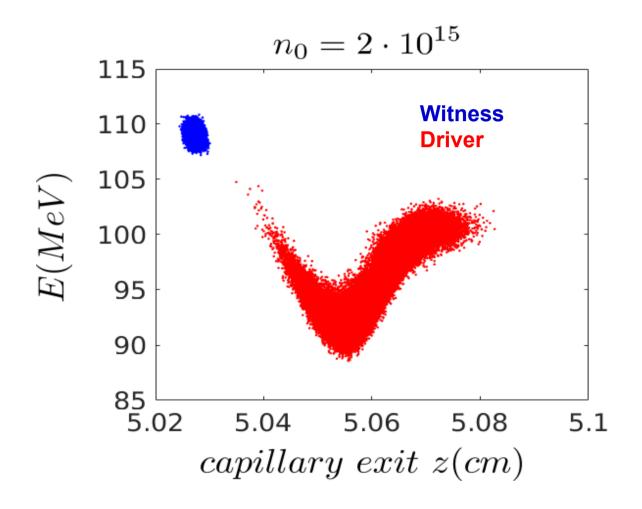




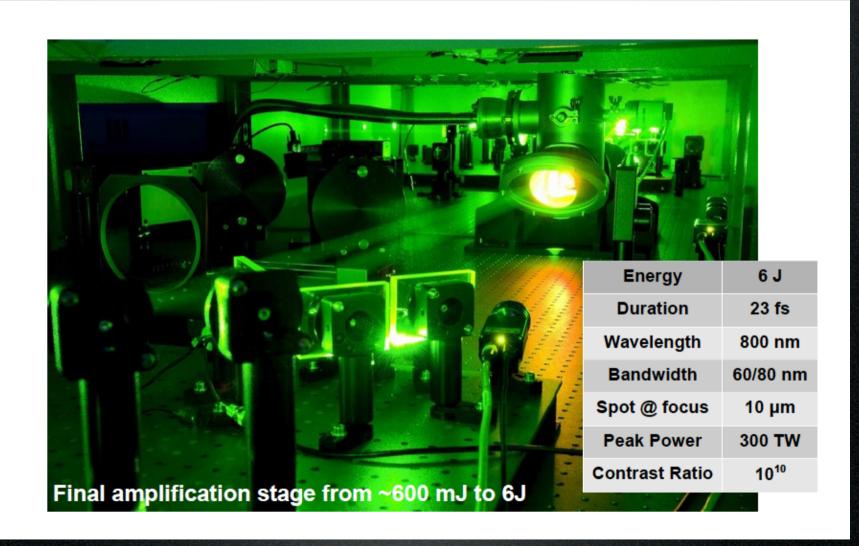




Longitudinal phase space



FLAME activity





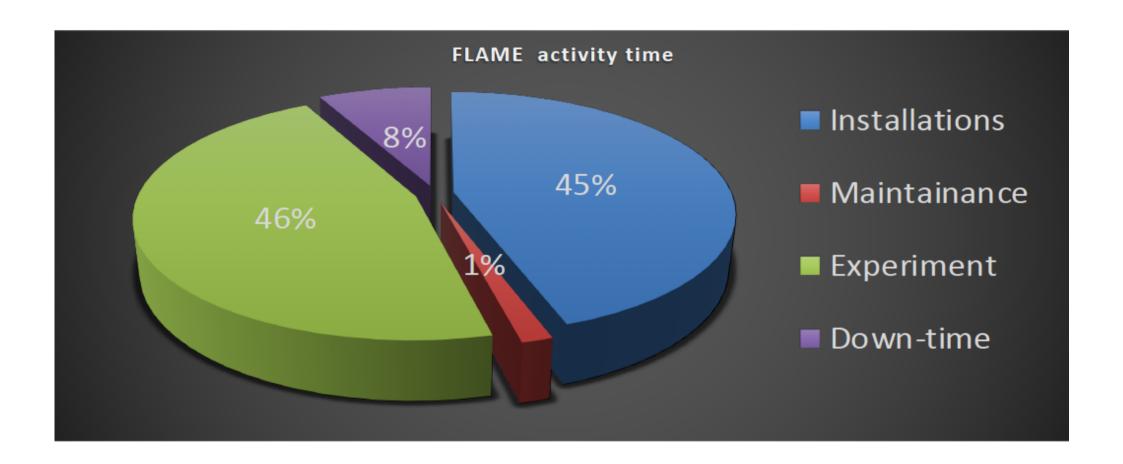
FLAME laser parameters

- Routinely delivering >100TW on target:
 - Energy: 3 J
 - Temporal duration: 25 fs FWHM
 - Focal spot size: 16 um FWHM

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FLAME up-time





FLAME experimental activities

- 1. Plasma generation and characterization in gas-filled capillaries through HV discharge for laser guiding;
- 2. Proton accelerated via TNSA mechanism:
 - a) Energy spectrum measurements by diamond-based TOF detector;
 - b) Characterization of electron emitted from laser-solid target interactions through EOS diagnostic.



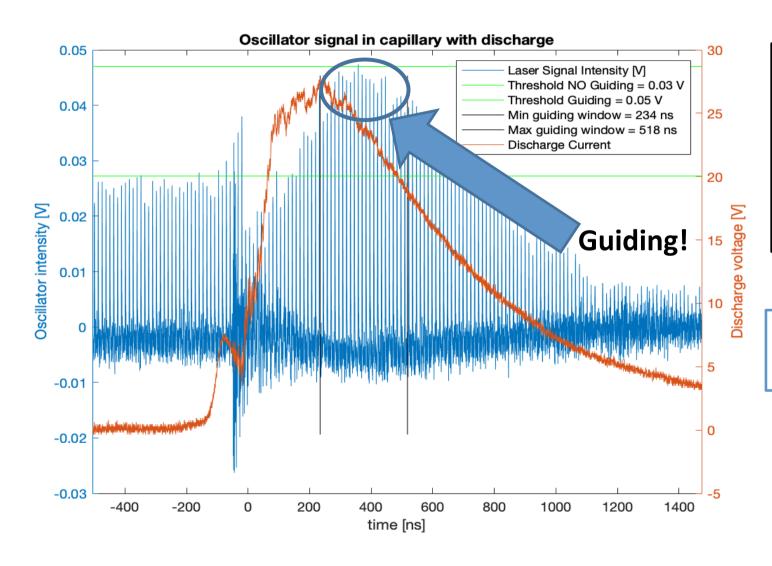
Plasma laser guiding

$$n_e(r) \cong n_0 + \frac{\Delta n}{r_m} r^2$$
 \longrightarrow $\left| \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 R}{\mathrm{d}z^2} = \frac{1}{Z_M^2 R^3} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta n_c} R^4 \right) \right|$ Laser envelope oscillations guiding!

- Plasma parabolic channel from discharge in gasfilled capillary characterization:
 - Guiding temporal window measurement
 - Transverse density profile measurements
 - Plasma waveguide test through optical modes detection



Guiding temporal window



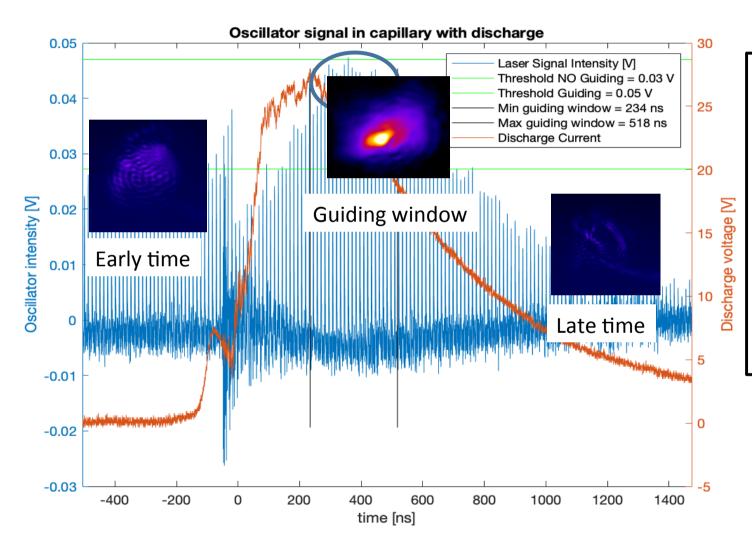
FLAME oscillator has been sent into the plasma to easily find the temporal window for guiding thanks to the high rep.rate (79.667 MHz)

Transmission efficiency:

- no plasma 40%
- with guiding 70%



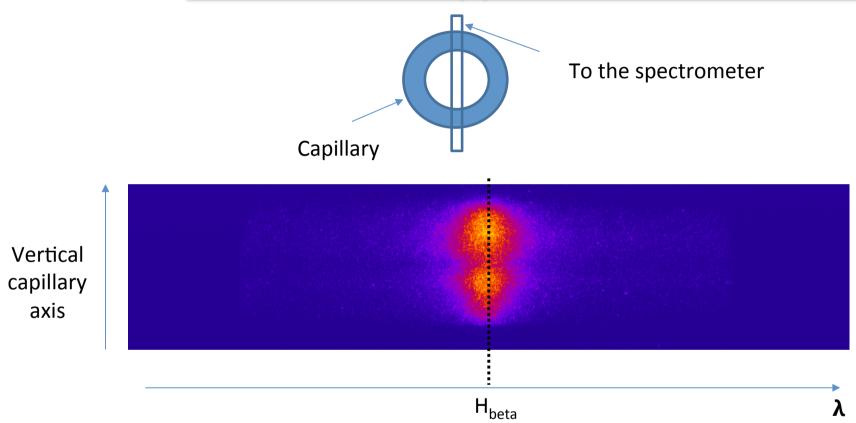
Laser mode output



- Low intensity (<10¹² W/cm²) single pulse laser has been detected at capillary exit with relay imaging system.
- A temporal scan has been performed to investigate laser output mode by delaying discharge.

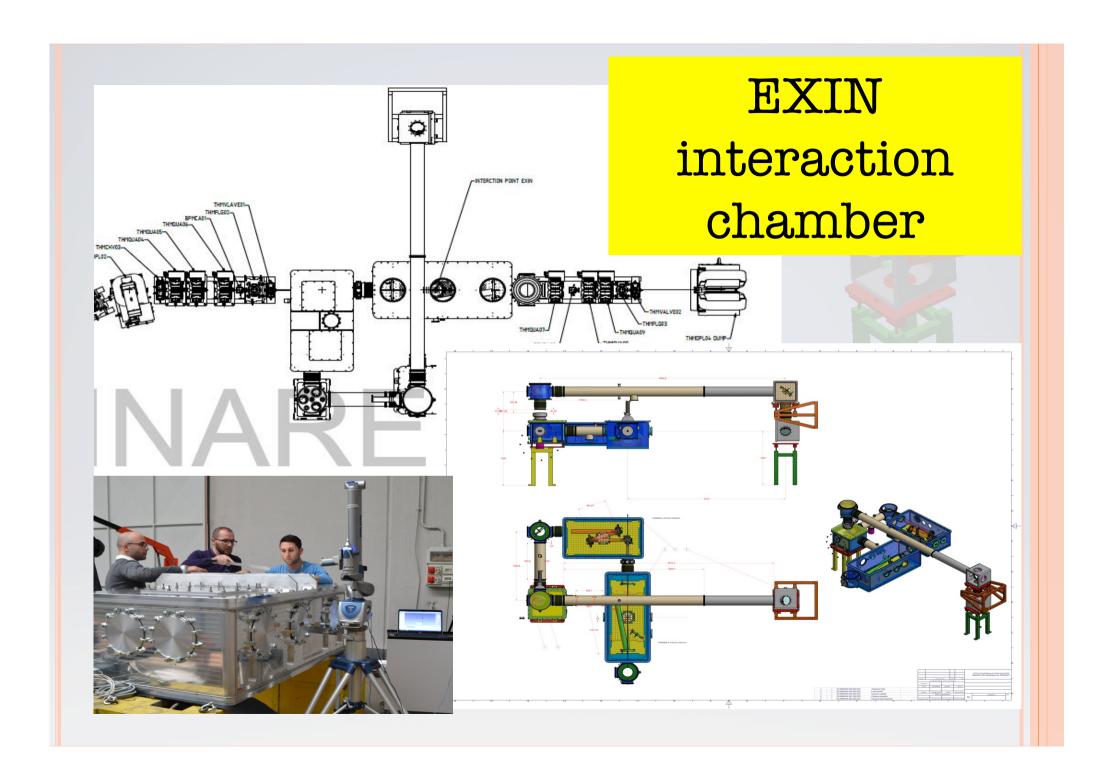


Transverse density profile measurement



$$n_e = 8.02 \ 10^{12} \ (\Delta \lambda / \alpha)^{3/2} \ cm^{-3}$$

Each horizontal line gives the electron density at a certain vertical position: Line profile reconstruction



- To complete (by June 2019)
 - The realization of the interaction and injection chambers
 - The e-beam dump line design
 - The design of the final line for laser transfer line up to the injection chamber
 - the sizing vacuum system for operations with H2
- Defined:
 plasma, e-beam and laser diagnostics
 the transfer line for e-beam from linac to interaction chamber
 the FLAME laser transfer line
- o Completed:
 existing e-beam transport line (thomson- plasmonx)
 All the magnets elements of the e-beam line and relative power supplies the discharge system
 the FLAME laser transfer line up to the first parabola chamber

Installation of the interaction chamber: from January 2020

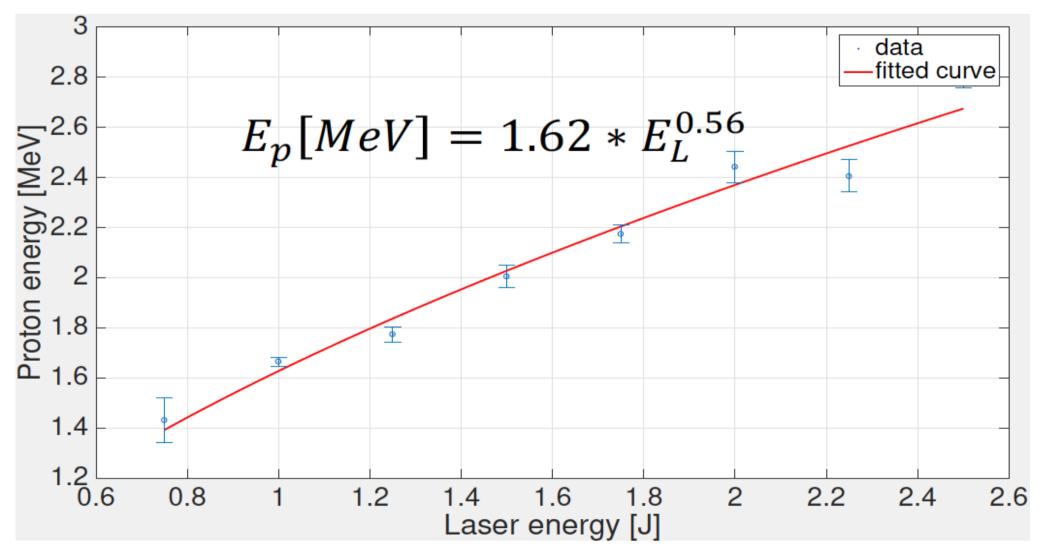


TNSA studies

- Parametric studies using aluminium foils as target varying:
 - Target thickness,
 - Laser energy,
 - Laser spot size,
 - Laser temporal length
- Both protons and electrons detected for each shot to study their property correlations.

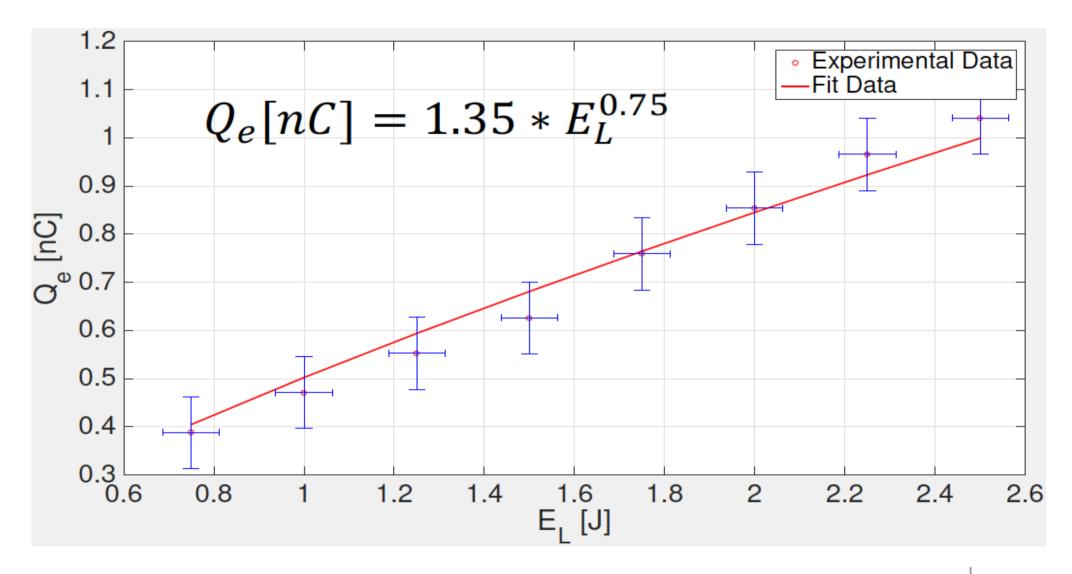


Proton energy scaling



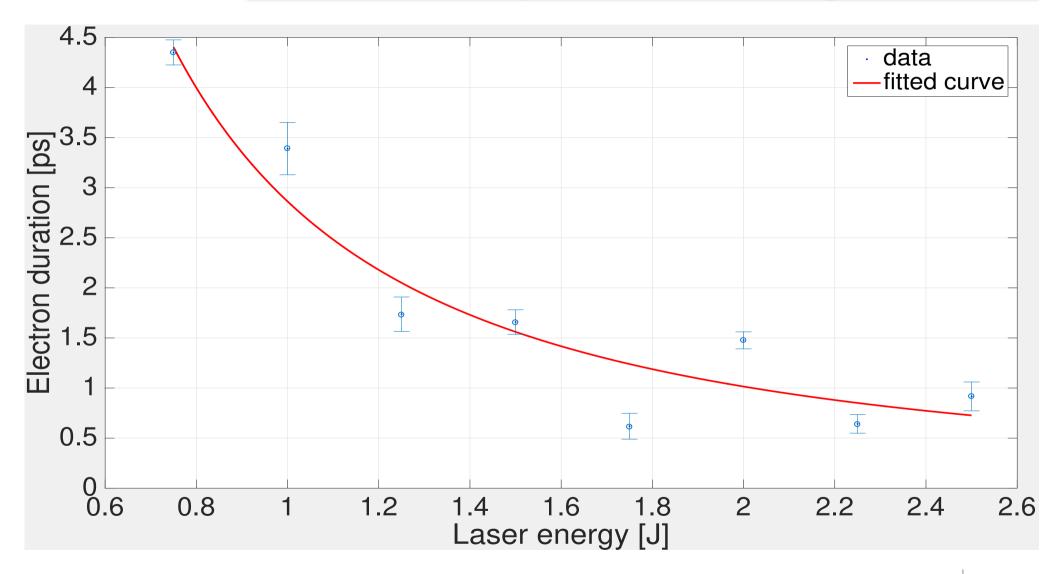


Fast-electron charge scaling





Fast-electron temporal duration scaling

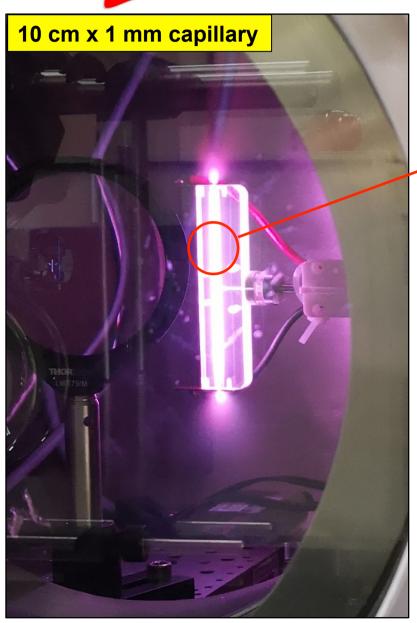


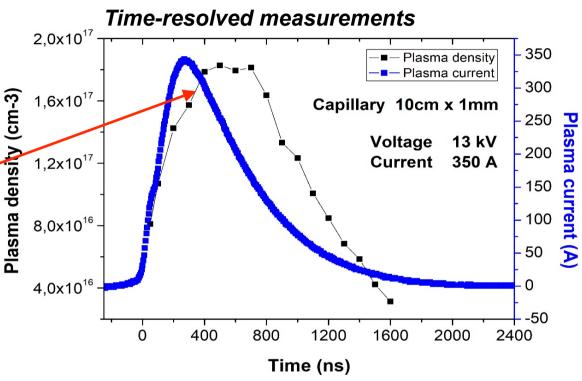
SPARC LAB activities related to the EuPRAXIA R&D

- Laser Comb technique
- S/C RF gun design and fabrication
- X-band test facility
- Velocity Bunching
- fs Synchronization
- Single shot diagnostics
- Capillary characterization
- Laser guiding
- Active Plasma Lens
- Plasma Dechirper
- PWFA acceleration experiments
- High transformer ratio studies
- LWFA with external injection
- Plasma driven FEL test

Characterization of longer plasma capillaries





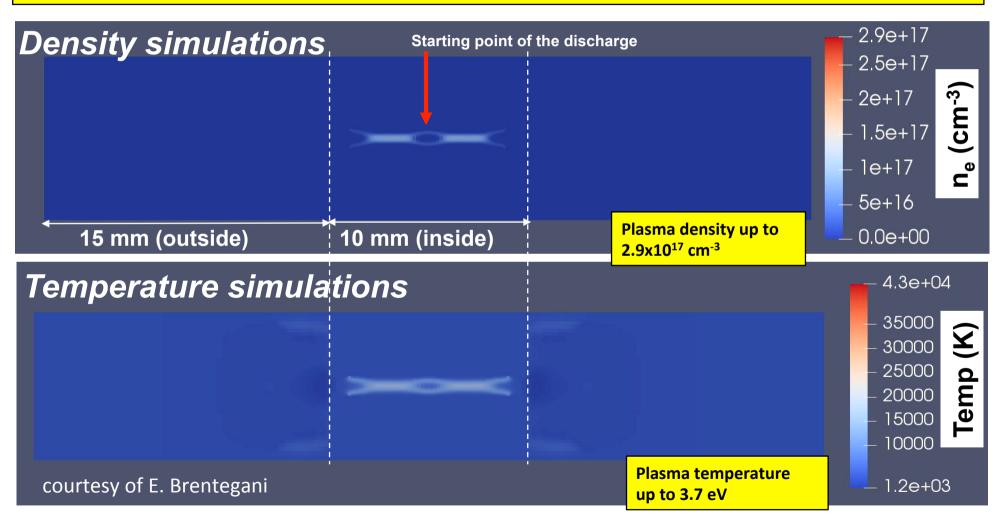


- Minimum voltage to obtain plasma discharge for 10 cm capillaries is around 11kV with 290 A (for 3 cm capillaries this values is around 6-7 kV with 170 A)
- The plasma density values reach around 2x10¹⁷ cm⁻³

Plasma behaviour simulations



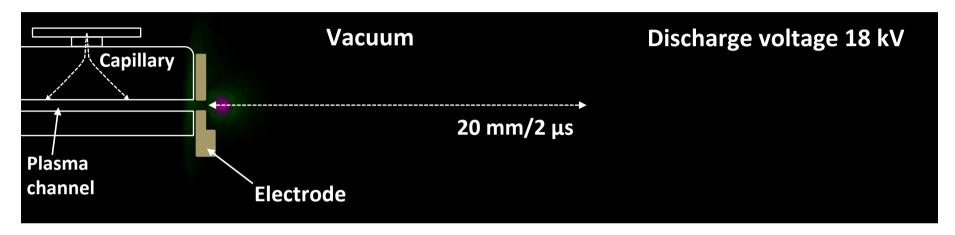
Results from computational model for two-dimensional axially symmetric capillary discharges: 1cm x 1 mm capillary at 18 kV and 240 A of the plasma current

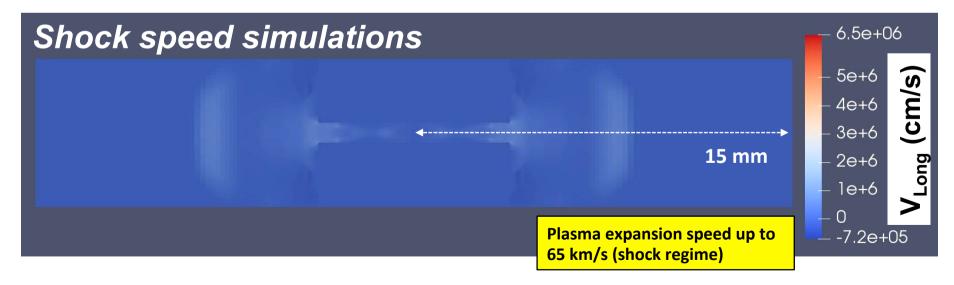


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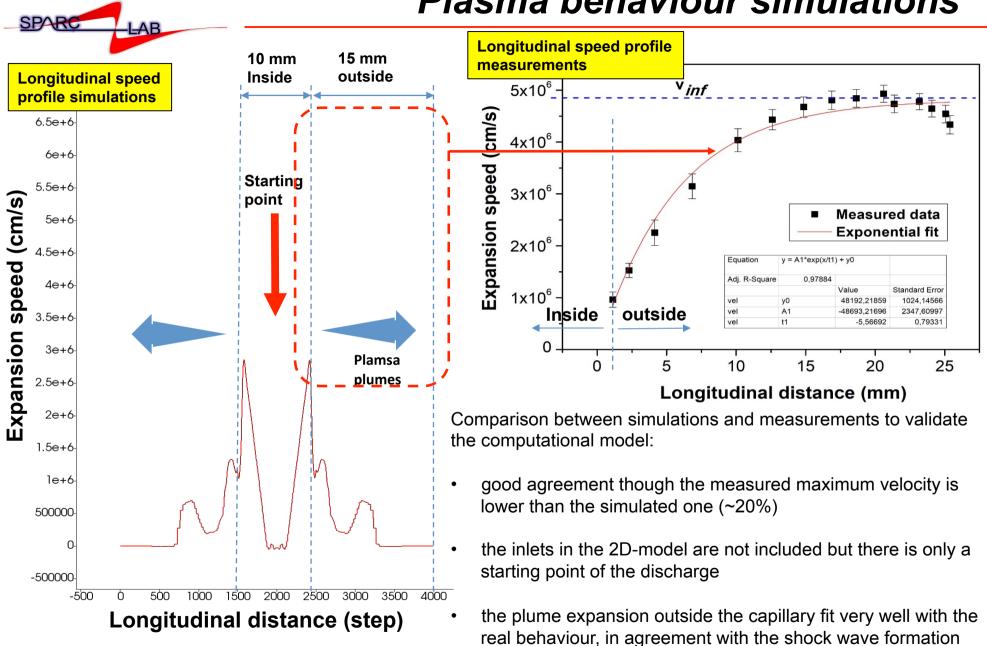


A validation of the computational model can be done by using our measurements about the shock regime formation at the ends of the capillary





Plasma behaviour simulations



(exponential growth of the speed)

SPARC_LAB Work Plan until end of 2019

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