# Accelerator Status

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#### **Outline**



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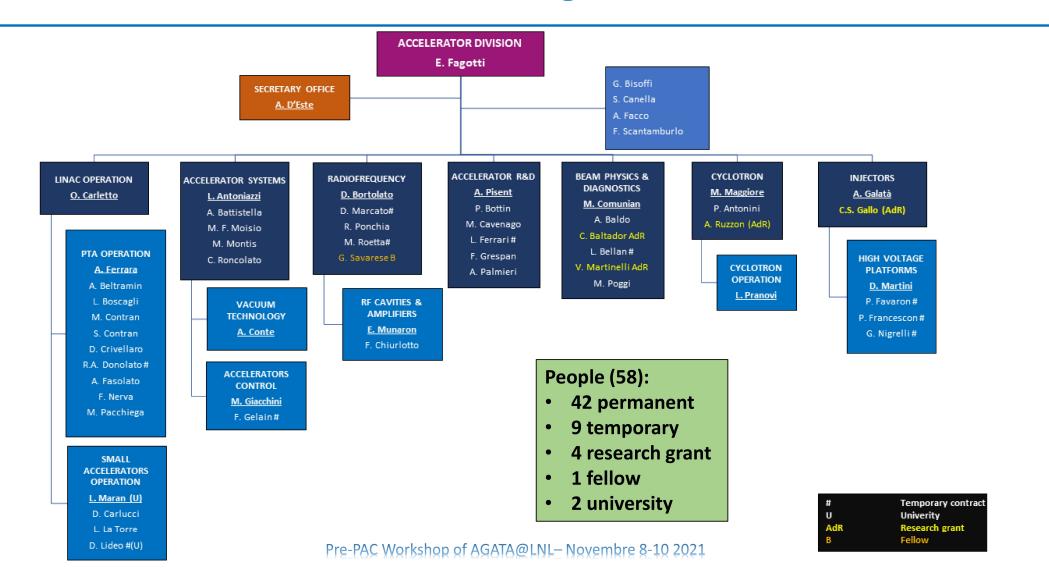




- New organization approved in September 2021
- Interdisciplinary Physics Accelerator Service becomes a new Department, called Small Accelerator, together with PTA Operation Department into the new LINAC Operation Service
- Cryogenic Service move into Technical Division
- Radiofrequency and Controls Service becomes the new Radiofrequency Service with the new RF Cavities & Amplifiers Department
- The new Accelerator Systems Service merges the old Vacuum Service and the Control Department for Special Projects. They became the new Vacuum Technology and Accelerator Control Departments
- Source and Injector Service becomes Injector Service with the new High Voltage Platforms
  Department
- Beam Physics Service becomes Acceleratot R&D Service
- Diagnostics Department becomes the new Beam Physics & Diagnostics Service

## Accelerator Division new organization chart





# PTA and AGATA line maintenance goals (03/2022)



<ul> <li>Tandem injector upgrade to improve reliability, as</li> </ul>	>	80%				
<ul> <li>Tandem availability increase</li> </ul>	>	80%				
<ul> <li>CR07 reliability upgrade and CR01-CR03 availability</li> </ul>	ty upgrade	>	85%			
<ul> <li>CR14/CR15 valve box upgrade</li> </ul>	>	100%	,			
<ul> <li>Important improve in the reliability and availabili</li> </ul>	>	55%				
• ALPI magnets power supplies maintenance>						
<ul> <li>ALPI beam diagnostics maintenance</li> </ul>	>	100%	,			
• ECR maintenance and Tantalum production tests	>	60%				
<ul> <li>PIAVE Cryogenic plant control system upgrade</li> </ul>	>	90%				
• SRFQ special maintenance to reach high accelerating fields (needed for U acceleration)						
<ul> <li>CRB4 vacuum issue solution and upgrade</li> </ul>	>	30%				
<ul> <li>CR07/CR08 – CR09/CR10 valve box upgrade</li> </ul>	(postponed: lack of funds)	>	0%	t on		
<ul> <li>Medium beta LLRF upgrade</li> </ul>	(postponed: lack of manpower)	>	0%	No impact on AGATA		
<ul> <li>Diagnostic grids amplifier upgrade</li> </ul>	(postponed: lack of manpower)	>	0%	No i		
<ul> <li>20 deg beam line improval (AGATA beam line):</li> <li>Vacuum system upgrade</li> <li>Beam diagnostics upgrade</li> </ul>		>	60% 30%			
<ul> <li>Alignement correction</li> </ul>		>	50%			

# PTA goals (opt.1 - 03/2023 opt.2 - 09/2022)



- CR02 and CR06 availability upgrade
- CR20 maintenance and safety upgrade
- CR07/CR08, CR09/CR10, CR12/CR13 and CR16/CR17 valve box upgrade
- Diagnostic grids amplifiers upgrade (partial)
- Medium beta LLRF software upgrade (partial)
- Medium beta LLRF hardware upgrade (partial)
- Vacuum system infrastructure partial replacement
- RF amplifier partial replacement
- Beam diagnostics partial replacement
- ECR source safety system upgrade

Option 1: Tandem ALPI beams available since 04/2022 - PIAVE injector since 07/22. Available beam energies as reported on lab site in 2022.

Option 2: Tandem beams available since 04/2022 – ALPI reacceleration and PIAVE injector not available till 09/2022. Available beam energies as reported on lab site in 2023 can be anticipated to October 2022.

## Tandem injector

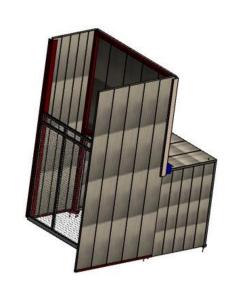


#### **UPGRADE OF THE TANDEM INJECTOR ALMOST COMPLETED**





New electrical and water distribution





Extension of the Injector's vane and installation of the new transformer: inspection of the companies on week 44

### Tandem accelerator



- New laddertron assembly complete. Currently under vacuum waiting for installation
- Laddertron chain pulling system maintenance complete
- Tandem vacuum systems (HE & LE cryo, HE, LE, FC07 and Switching magnet turbo) maintenance complete
- SF6 plant maintenance & upgrade:
  - Leak check on the whole system with repair in case of losses complete
  - Gas purity check complete
  - Automatic system for source tank internal pressure regulation almost complete

## Flux regulation valve for SF6 circuit on the source tank



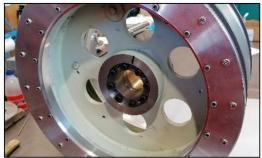
PLC and source tank system regulation



### Tandem accelerator

- Base and terminal wheels design and assembly was identified as the major cause of all issues experienced last year and beginning of this year. Many actions were implemented to solve it:
  - A new shaft was machined and assembled with new bearing with the right tolerances
  - New self-centering keyless locking device was implemented on the driving wheels
  - New aluminum rings realized according to original drawings: gaps between conductive wheels and aluminum rings were removed
  - Conductive inserts for the base wheels replaced with new ones harder than the previous ones and more similar to the original ones
  - All dimensions were rectified after assembly
  - Finally wheels experienced dynamic balancing
- Wheels were reassembled
- Laddertron drive system is currently under assembly
- Final step will be laser tracker verification

**New self centering** keyless locking device



**New plane bearing** 



New shaft and bearing assembly



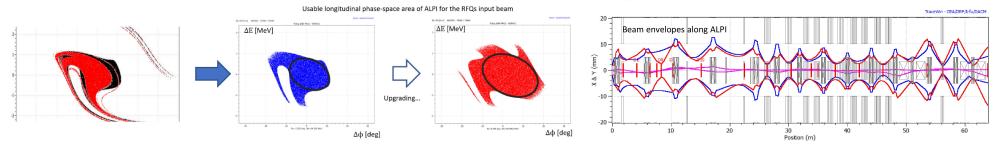


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## **ALPI Beam Optics**



- In 2019 two main issues were discovered: 1) a bad cavity field calibration for the whole ALPI linac and 2) a
  phase-field coupling in PIAVE SRFQ2 controller. Solution of these issues greatly improved agreement between
  simulations and real transport. Difference between experimental setup vs simulated cavities reduced from 7
  cavities to 1
- A deep work on beam dynamics was started to increase as much as possible ALPI acceptance optimizing
  magnets currents and cavity phases. A new optimization process based on genetic algorithms is currently
  working to increase the robustness of the accelerator dynamics. Acceptance is just more than doubled

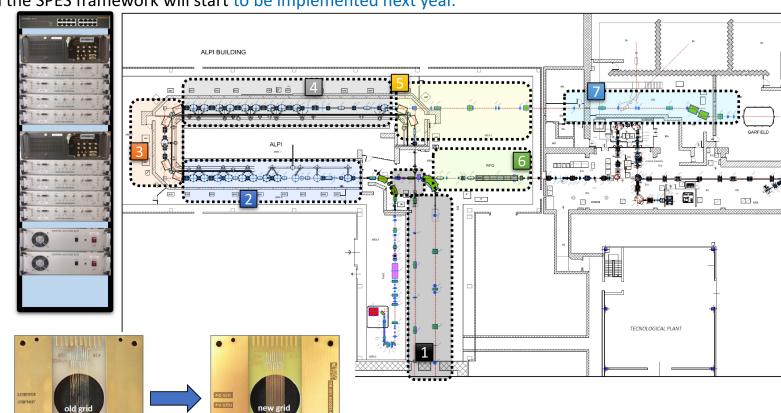


 Beam dynamic studies, combined with fast cavity tuning procedure and automatic steering algorithms should simplify beam transport into ALPI accelerator.

## **ALPI Beam Diagnostics**



- In parallel standard diagnostics experience deep maintenance to replace old broken harps with new ones. 14 diagnostics boxes already improved.
- New grids pre-amplifiers developed in the SPES framework will start to be implemented next year.
- Control logic replacement:
  - Hardware
  - Software
- New configuration and upgrade sequence:
  - A. Rack4 (D05, D06, D07, D08, D09, D10, D11, D12)
  - B. Rack5 (DE1, DE2, DT1, DT2)
  - C. Rack2 (DI8, DI8B, DI9, D01, D02, D03, D04)
  - D. Rack3 (AL.BI.08, DU2, DU3, AL.BI.11)
  - E. Rack1 (DI3, DI4, DI5, DI6, DI7, DE3, DE4, DE5)
  - F. Rack7 (DT3, DT4, DT5, DT6)
  - G. Rack6 (AD.BI.10, AD.BI.11, AD.BI.12)



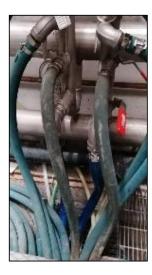
## **ALPI Magnet Power Supplies**







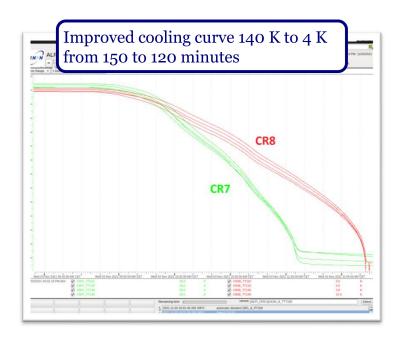




- All magnets power supplies on the Tandem-ALPI-PIAVE complex and on experimental halls completed maintenance.
- Cooling hoses for the PIAVE magnets and power supplies cooling system were replaced with new ones.



- During 2021 CR07 used as prototype for future developments to be implemented on other cryostats. Main improvements on:
  - Alignement
  - Piping and safety
  - Thermal shielding
  - Closure plates and tuners connections
  - Thermal joints
  - New thermal sensors







Piping and Safety

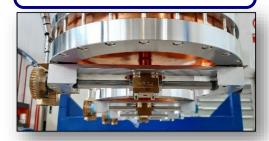


Thermal shielding





Closure plates and tuner connections



New thermal sensors







During 2021 CR01 used as prototype for future developments to be implemented on other ow beta

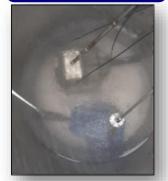
cryostats. Main improvements on:

Tuner revision

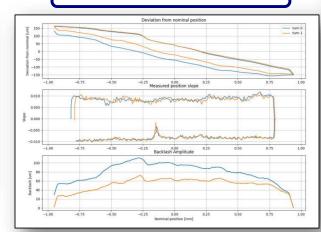
- Plate characterization
- New reference for alignement
- New shielding
- LN2 circuit replacement

Safety

Mechanical test in LN2



Tuner RF characterization



Tuner mechanical revision

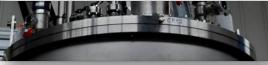


Cavity move check during vacuum pumping and cooldown













- Currently under maintenance.
  - Tuner disassembled and tested in LN2
  - Closure plate issue on QWR3
  - Modifications implementations underway

Mechanical test in LN2



Nb plates in CR3 differ respect to other low beta plates



# ALPI Status (April 2021): low beta cryostats

QWR3

QWR4

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4.99



4.99

2.09

CR01	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	CR02	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	CR03	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)
QWR1	5	2.1	QWR1	5	2.1	QWR1	5	5.0
QWR2	5	2.1	QWR2	5	3.5	QWR2	5	4.98
QWR3	5	2.1	QWR3	5	3.5	QWR3	5	Tuner out
QWR4	5	2.1	QWR4	5	3.58	QWR4	5	<b>Tuner out</b>
CR04	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	CR05	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	CR06	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)
QWR1	5	4,85	QWR1	5	4.5	QWR1	5	4.37
QWR2	5	5,06	QWR2	5	4.5	QWR2	5	Not usable

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• 10 / 24 can guarantee near nominal performances

4,84

4,94

QWR3

QWR4

• 5 / 24 could be recovered with conditioning

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• 9 / 24 need maintenance

QWR3

QWR4

# ALPI Status (October 2021): low beta cryostats



	CR02	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	
Maintenance complete.	QWR1	5	2.1	
Under test	QWR2	5	3.5	Under maintenance
	QWR3	5	3.5	
	QWR4	5	3.58	

CR04	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)	CR05	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)
QWR1	5	4,85	QWR1	5	4.5
QWR2	5	5,06	QWR2	5	4.5
QWR3	5	4,84	QWR3	5	3
QWR4	5	4,94	QWR4	5	4.99

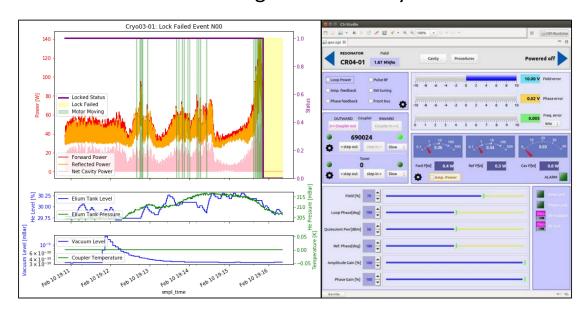
CR06	Nominal field (MV/m)	Current field (MV/m)
QWR1	5	4.37
QWR2	5	Not usable
QWR3	5	4.99
QWR4	5	2.09

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- 5 / 24 could be recovered with conditioning
- 9 / 24 need maintenance

## **ALPI LLRF and Control System**



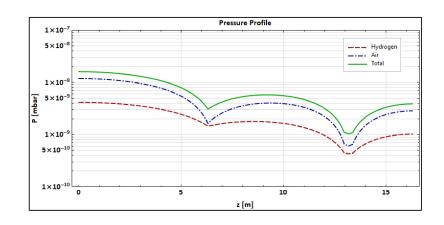
- SW Control system:
  - Already updated to the new version for low beta cryostats CR01-CR06 & HEB0
  - Update for the medium beta cryostats CR07-CR10 expected April 2022
- Ordinary device maintenance expected within March 2022:
  - Broken Fans, filter cleaning, power supply substitution (from RF Amplifier and LLRF controllers)
     scheduled from next december
  - HEB1 RF power line to be mounted starting from February 2022



## ALPI and AGATA vacuum system



- Current vacuum system maintenance is already completed.
- Unfortunately, ALPI vacuum system is very old. Both vacuum pumps and controllers are no more available on the market and vacuum control system is developed and managed by a unique company that at the end of this year will definitively close. We received from INFN on October 20<sup>th</sup> an extra budget to solve the problem. All the budget was already used to acquire new components. The vacuum system recovery plan will solve the issue before AGATA campaign (April 2022).
- In parallel upgrade of the AGATA vacuum line is ongoing. General layout are already available and after measurement of the line with laser tracker concluded last week, we can define the final configuration, acquire what is needed, install new system and test it before the end of March 2022.









# PIAVE cryogenic: control system upgrade





**SRFQ** electric board





**New PIAVE board** 



**Cold Box Purifier** 



**Gas control panel** 

**Cold Box** 

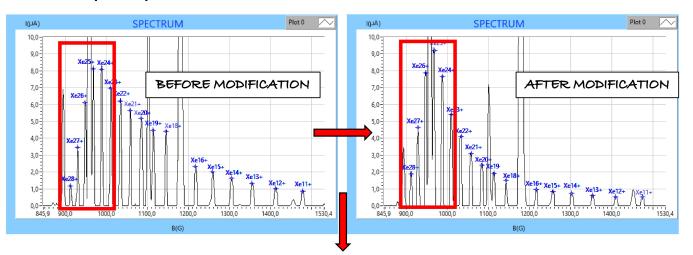
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#### PIAVE ion source



#### PLASMA CHAMBER MODIFICATION

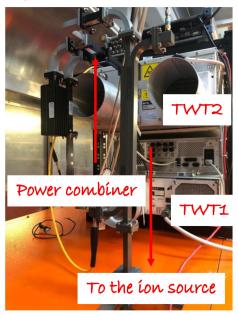
- Reduction of radius to excite TM<sub>0,m,0</sub> modes
- Improved performances with <sup>136</sup>Xe





After a long period of operation at high power, an important outgassing of the structure was observed. It was dismounted for deep cleaning and baking. Reliability tests will be repeated

#### FREQUENCY HEATING TESTS ONGOING



Ta sputtering target available within November.

Test in December (preparatory for U production)

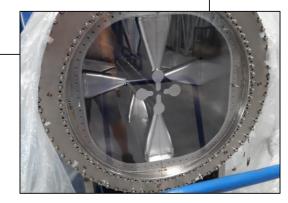
## **PIAVE SRFQ**







- Issue detected on the PIAVE SRFQ slow tuner current design.
- A previous version of tuner under revision to solve the problem.
- In view of high fields needed for Uranium acceleration, conventional cleaning process will change:
  - Cleaning with acetone
  - Cleaning with ultra-pure water in ISO 10 area
  - Dry process in ISO7 cleanroom for 12 hours (at least)
  - Dry process completed with nitrogen flux in ISO7
  - Cavity closed with final terminal plate in ISO7



### Pre-PAC: useful information



- Useful links and contacts:
  - <a href="https://www.lnl.infn.it/wp-content/uploads/Fasci\_TAP.pdf">https://www.lnl.infn.it/wp-content/uploads/Fasci\_TAP.pdf</a> Summary of the available beams and energies of TAP complex. It may not include all possible beams, but it is a good summary. It is under continuous update, feedback after feedback.
  - In case requested beam is not present in the previous link, or higher current and/or energy is required, user is strongly encouraged to contact acceleration division through: <a href="mailto:PACbeams@Inl.infn.it">PACbeams@Inl.infn.it</a>.
- PACbeams mailing list is a mailing list that automatically contact all accelerator division expertise (Linac operation, Injector, Beam Physics & Diagnostics Services). If a complete evaluation of the proposal feasibility is required, email must include:
  - Beam species
  - Energy [MeV]
  - Current [pnA]
- Other specific questions that does not include a complete evaluation of the feasibility are also welcomed.
- After PAC outcomes, there will be a deeper evaluation of the accepted LOI's.
  - These evaluations will involve also other services of the acceleration division such as Systems for the Accelerators Service and Radio-Frequency Service.
  - Essential information's of the post-maintenance machine status will determine the final analysis on the feasibility, especially with respect to energy parameter.