

# Innovative targets for new production facilities



Production target of the SPES ISOL facility at LNL



Secondary target for the ISOLPHARM project at LNL



LARAMED targets for direct production of medical radioisotopes at LNL



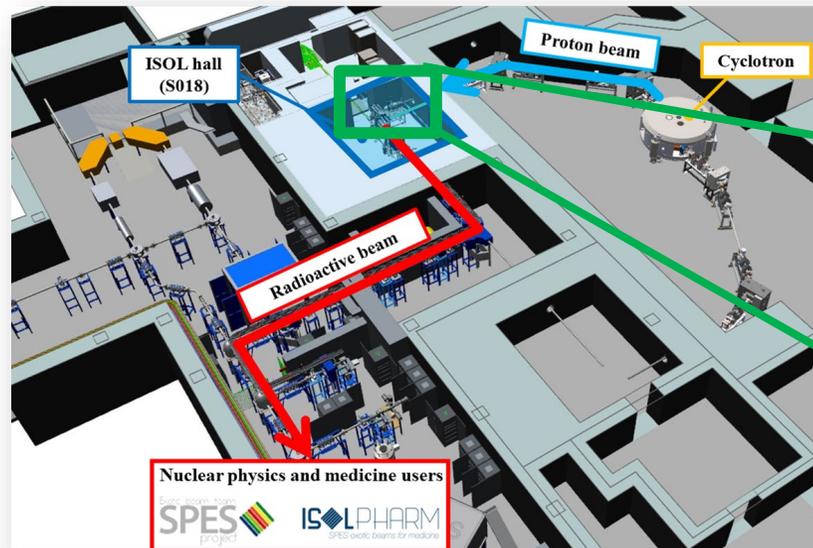
Targets for neutrons at LNL



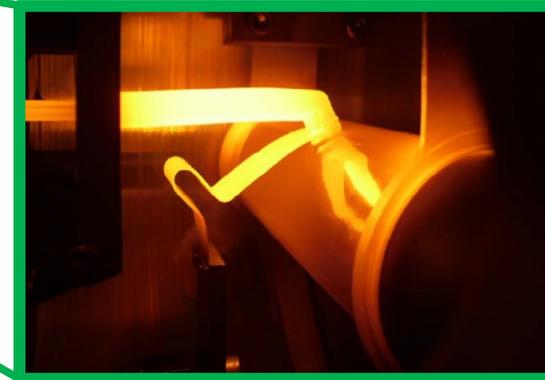
Target for FraIse facility at LNS

**Sara Cisternino**, research fellow  
INFN-LNL, Legnaro, Italy  
[sara.cisternino@lnl.infn.it](mailto:sara.cisternino@lnl.infn.it)

# Production target of the SPES facility at LNL



The SPES target-ion source



Exotic beam from  
SPES  
project

INFN  
LNL  
Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare  
Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro

Stefano Corradetti, Alberto Andrichetto, Mattia Manzolaro, Michele Ballan, Alberto Monetti, Lisa Centofante, Giordano Lilli, Daniele Scarpa (INFN-LNL)  
Sara Carturan (University of Padova, DFA)  
Alice Zanini, Giorgia Franchin, Paolo Colombo (University of Padova, DII)  
Lisa Biasetto (University of Padova, DTG)  
Francesca Servadei, Diletta Sciti, Laura Silvestroni, Luca Zoli (CNR-ISSMC)

# SPES (ISOL) target requirements

## Target working conditions:

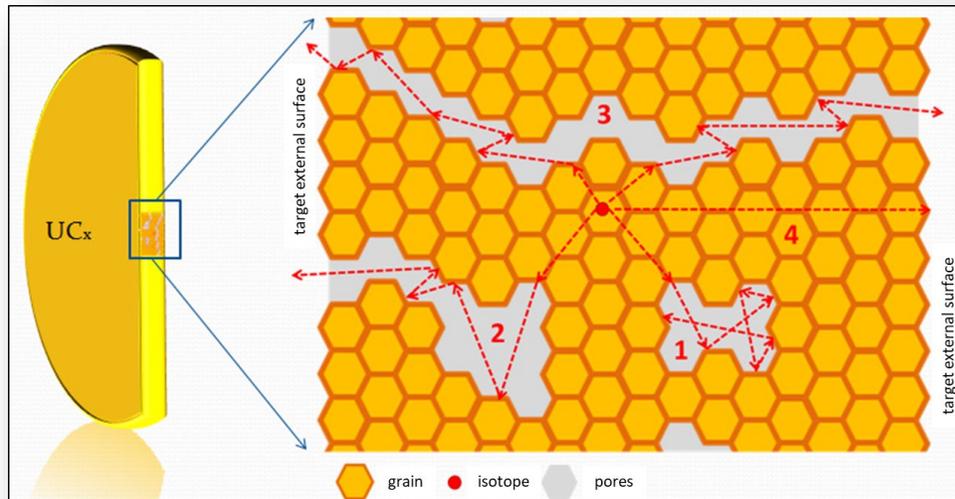
- Many days of continuous operation (10 ÷ 15)
- $T = 1600 \div 2000 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , even more in some cases
- 10 kW power
- High vacuum
- Radiation (p, n, g, a, b, ...)

Carbide/carbon composites  
( $\text{UC}_2+2\text{C}$ ,  $\text{TiC}+2\text{C}$ ,  $\text{ThC}_2+2\text{C}$ , ...)



Two sets of properties to optimize: porosity and thermo-mechanical

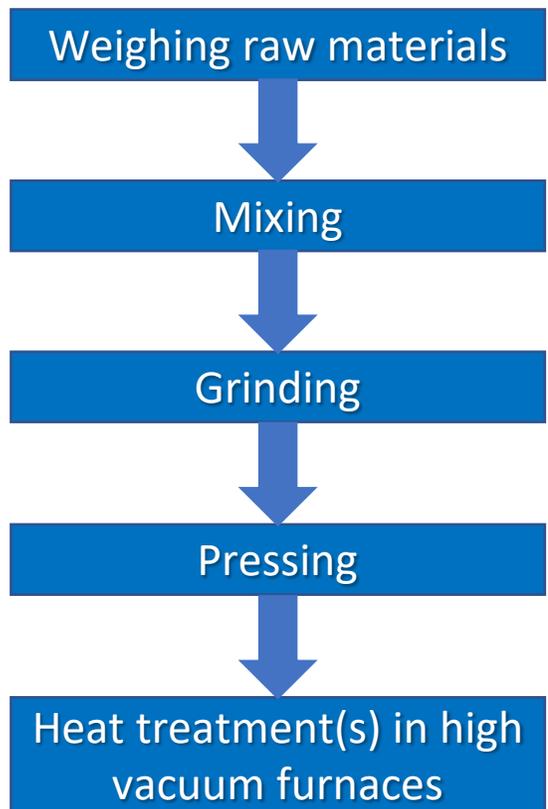
Micro-meso-macroporosity to obtain fast release of isotopes



High thermal properties to efficiently dissipate heat



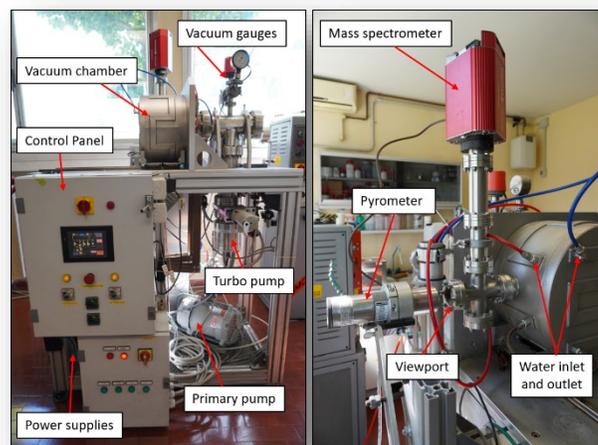
# State of the art: the standard production (carbothermal reduction)



La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + C after pressing



LaC<sub>2</sub> + 2C after heat treatment



|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Total porosity</b>        | 60 %               |
| <b>Porosity type</b>         | Mainly open, macro |
| <b>Specific Surface Area</b> | Negligible         |

## Optimization of properties by:

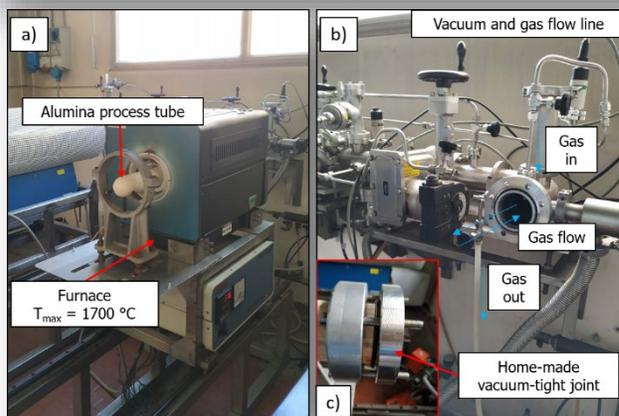
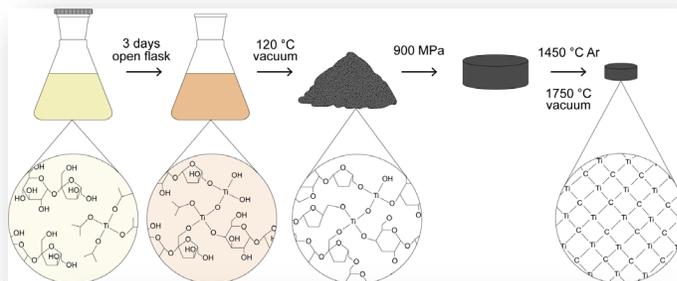
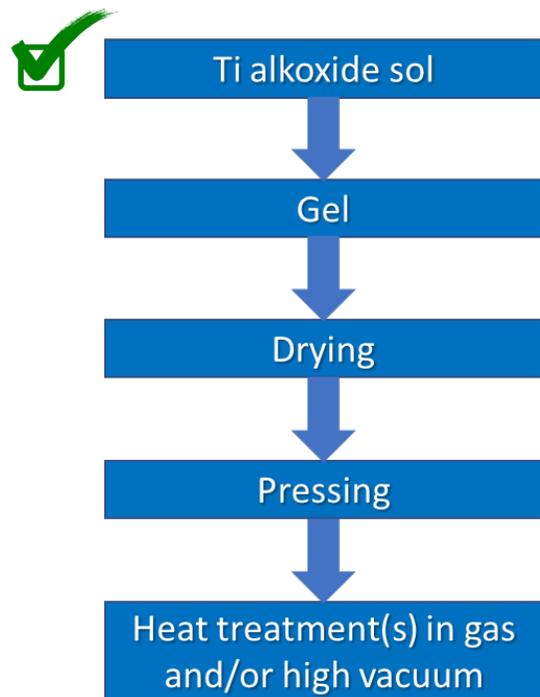
- Choice of carbon/metal precursors and additives
- Heat treatment parameters

Activity in collaboration with UNIPD: DFA, DII, DTG



# Example of innovative production techniques: sol-gel and use of innovative carbon sources

## Synthesis of microporous Carbide/Carbon composites via sol-gel



|                              |                                   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Total porosity</b>        | 65 %                              |
| <b>Porosity type</b>         | Totally open, micro               |
| <b>Specific Surface Area</b> | Very high (650 m <sup>2</sup> /g) |

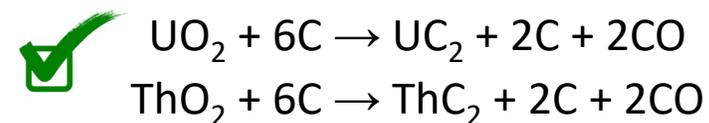
Activity in collaboration with UNIPD: DFA, DII

A. Zanini et al., Microporous and Mesoporous Materials 337 (2022) 111917;  
 S. Corradetti et al., Ceramics International 46 (2020) 9596

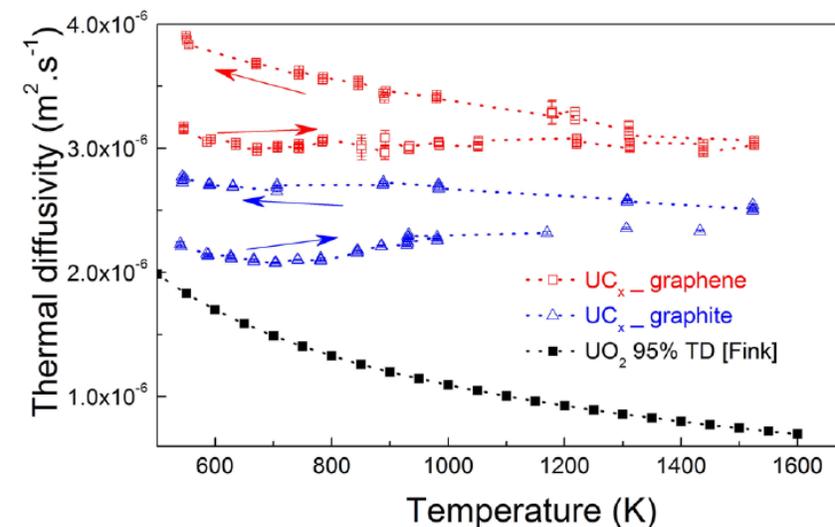
### Optimization of properties by:

- Choice of initial reagents type, amount and proportions
- Temperature, pH of each production phase
- Heat treatments parameters

## Graphene as a carbon source for U and Th carbides



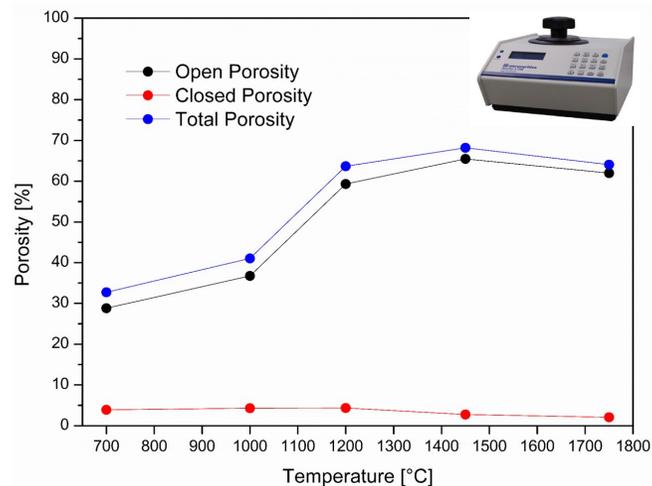
Use of graphene as a carbon source leads to improved thermal properties with respect to standard (graphite) in carbide/C composites



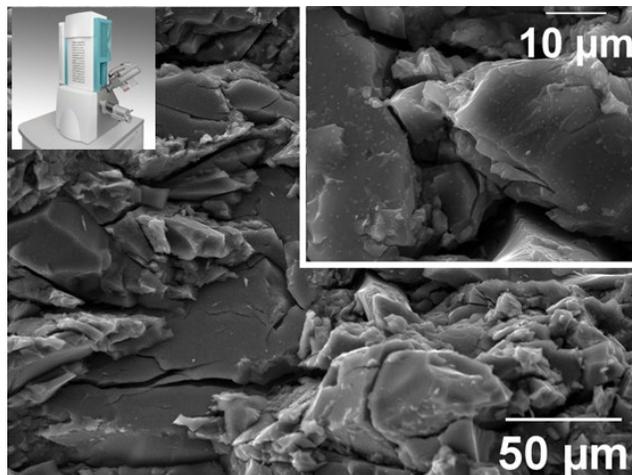
Activity in collaboration with JRC-Karlsruhe and UNIPD: DFA, DTG

S. Corradetti et al., Scientific Reports 11 (2021) 9058  
 L. Bissetto et al., Scientific Reports 8 (2018) 8272

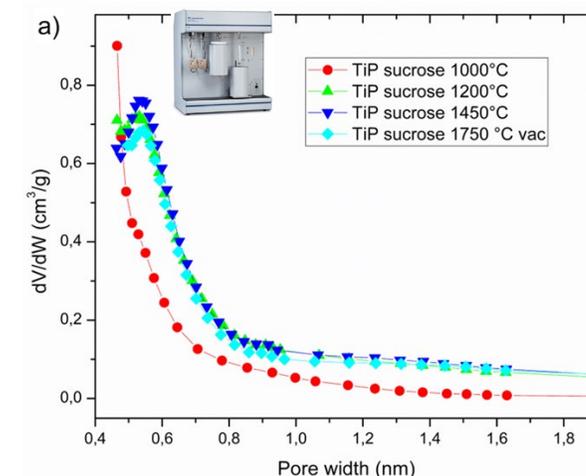
# Characterization techniques: microstructure and porosity



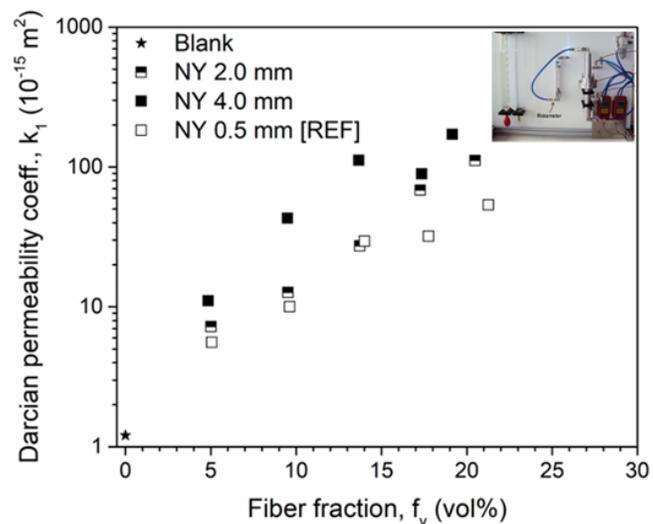
Helium pycnometry to characterize open-closed porosity



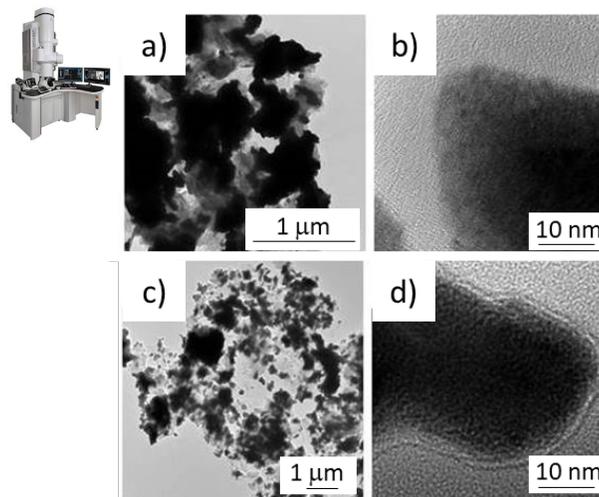
Scanning electron microscopy to study microstructure



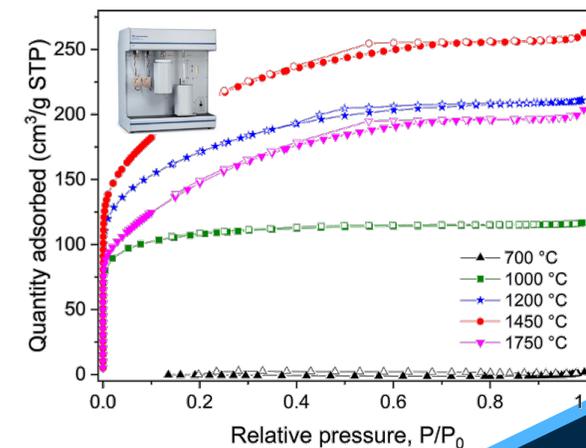
Gas physisorption to calculate pore size



Gas permeability to characterize open porosity

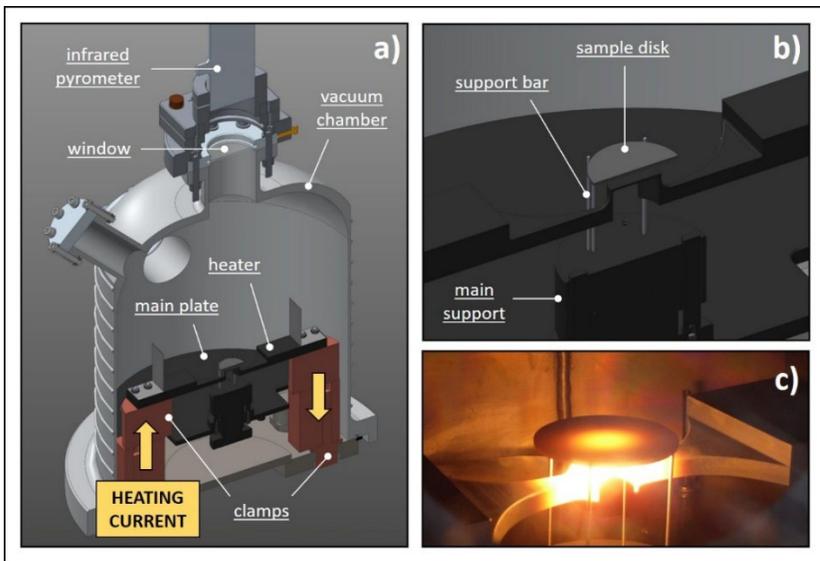


Transmission electron microscopy to study nanostructure

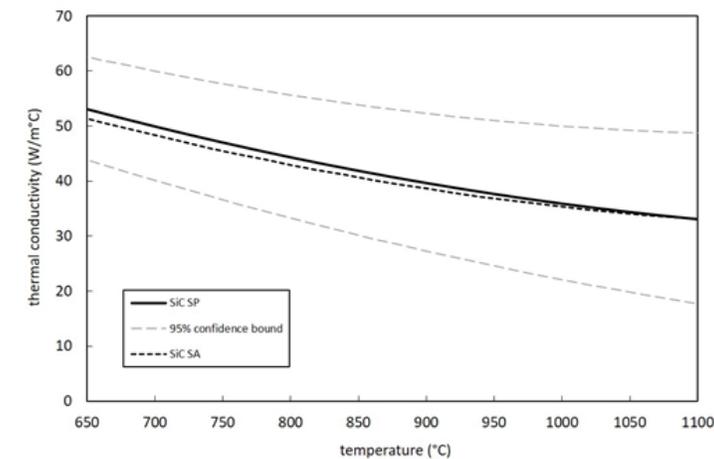
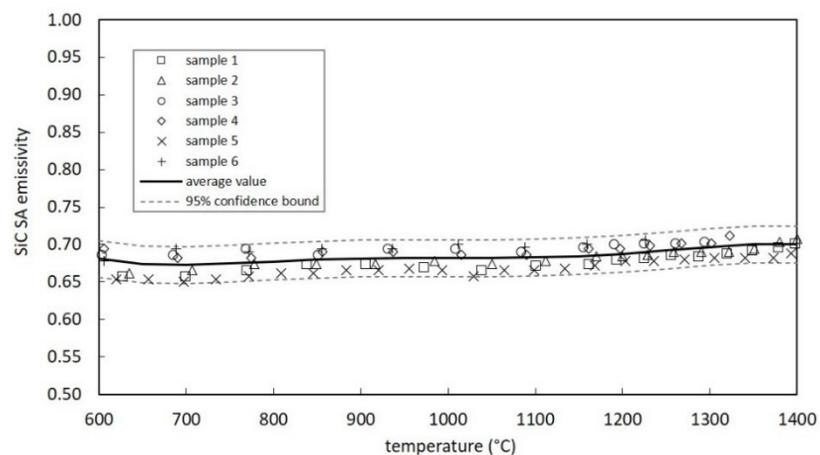


Gas physisorption to calculate specific surface area

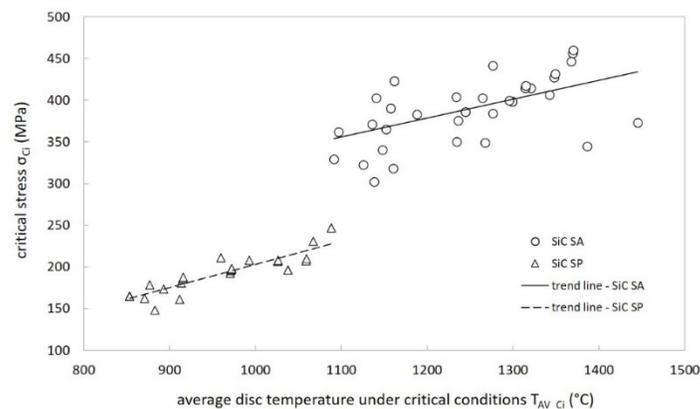
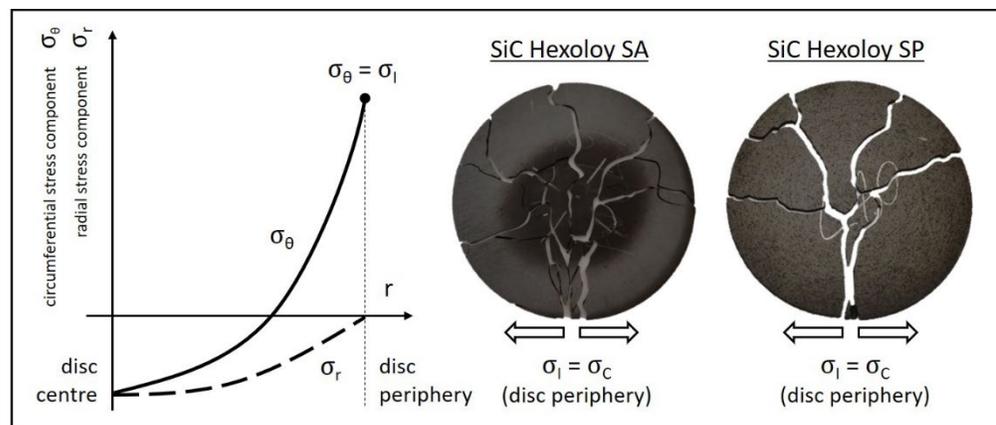
# Characterization techniques: thermomechanical properties



## Thermal characterization - Obtainable data: emissivity and thermal conductivity



## Structural characterization - Obtainable data: critical stress under irradiation, probability of survival under irradiation without undergoing failure



M. Manzolaro et al., Review of Scientific Instruments 84 (2013) 054902;

M. Manzolaro et al., Materials 14 (2021) 2689

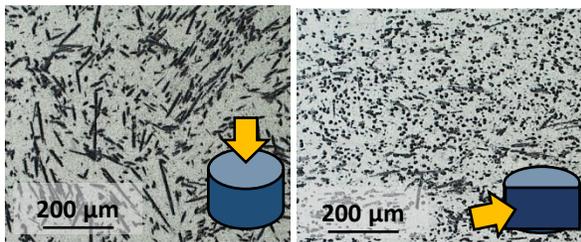
Activity in collaboration with UNIPD: DII



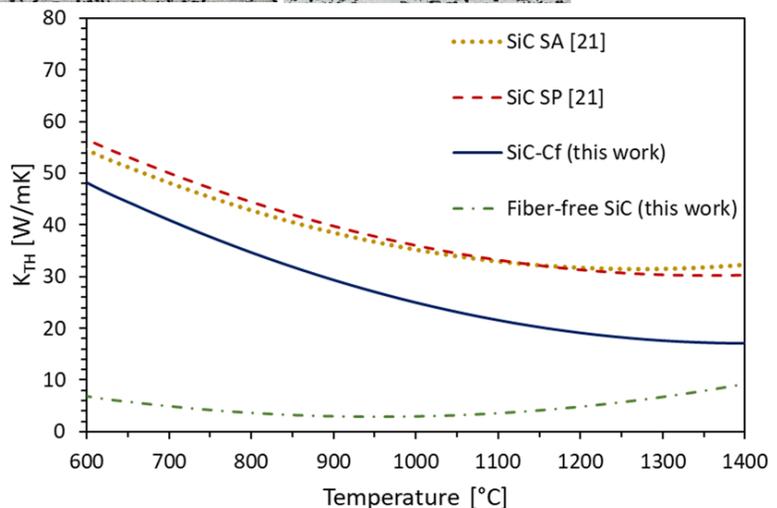


# New ideas for the future

## Improving thermo-mechanical properties using fibers



Use of dispersed carbon fibers (Cf) in SPES targets leads to porosity AND good thermal properties AND improved survival under thermal induced stresses



Dense SiC SA



Porous SiC-Cf

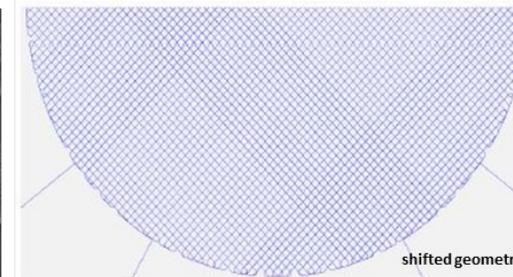
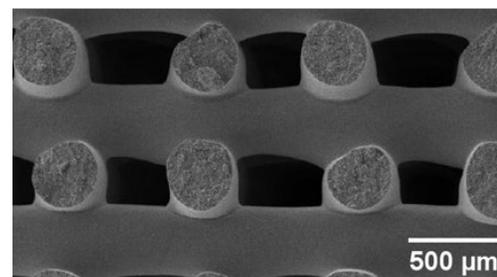


Porous fiber-free SiC

Activity in collaboration with CNR-ISSMC

L. Silvestroni et al., Journal of the European Ceramic Society 42 (2022) 6750

## Optimizing porosity by using additive manufacturing



Material precursor: commercial TiC powder

Fabrication process: Direct Ink Writing

Preliminary data (AM4INFN and HISOL experiments):

- permeability coefficients shifted geometry > 0-90° geometry
- specific surface area < 1 m<sup>2</sup>/g → low value: to be increased to ensure good release of radioisotopes → future works will focus on the use of the sol-gel approach to tailor the textural properties of the material

Activity in collaboration with UNIPD:

DFA, DII





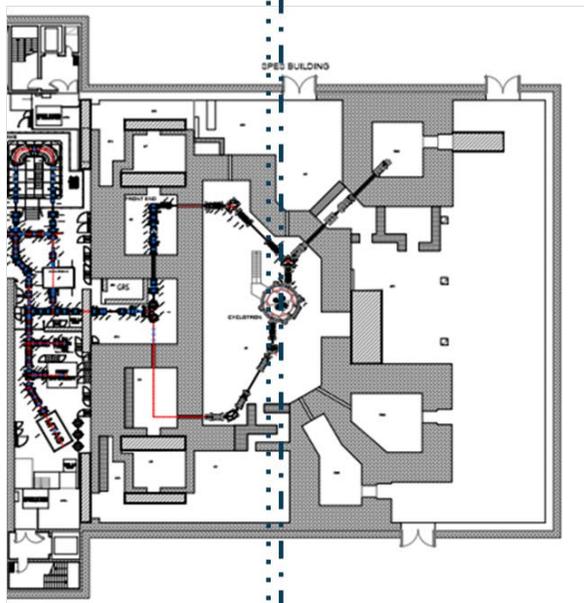
# SPES $\gamma$ : radionuclides for nuclear medicine



“Radioisotope Service for Medicine and Applications” @LNL

**ISOLPHARM**  
SPES exotic beams for medicine

ISOL technique  
A. Andrichetto  
Resp. ISOLPHARM



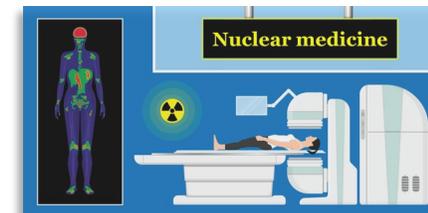
Direct activation  
J. Esposito  
Resp. LARAMED

<https://isolpharm.pd.infn.it/web/>

<https://www.lnl.infn.it/en/spes-larmed-range>

Functional and metabolic organ informations for

- **early diagnosis**  
SPECT – Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography  
PET – Positron Emission Tomography
- **specific therapies**
- **Theranostic**



through the use of radiopharmaceutical

**Radionuclide**  
responsible of signal emission

$\gamma, \beta^+$

$\beta^-, \alpha,$   
Auger  
electrons



**Chelator**  
molecule holding the radioisotope

**Targeting agent**

Small molecule or biological agent (Ab, ecc..)

**Linker**

joins the chelator to  
targeting agent

**Cell target**

Better if overexpressed  
by the target cells



Medical Radionuclide production @LNL



# Secondary target for the ISOLPHARM project at LNL

Michele Ballan (INFN-LNL), Elisa Vettorato (INFN-LNL and University of Padova),

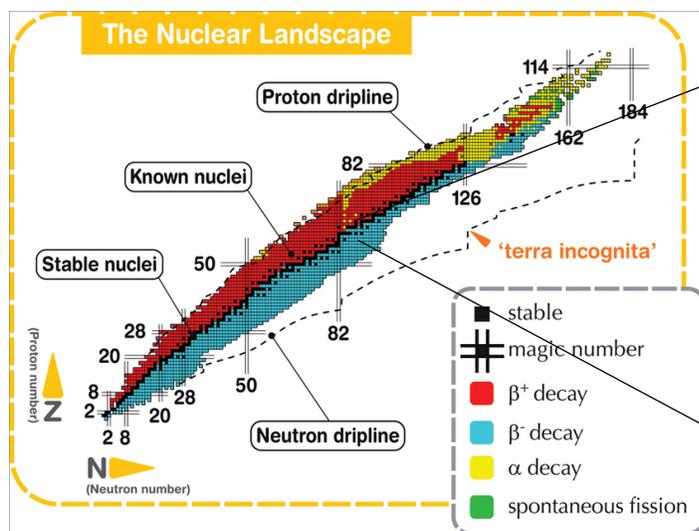
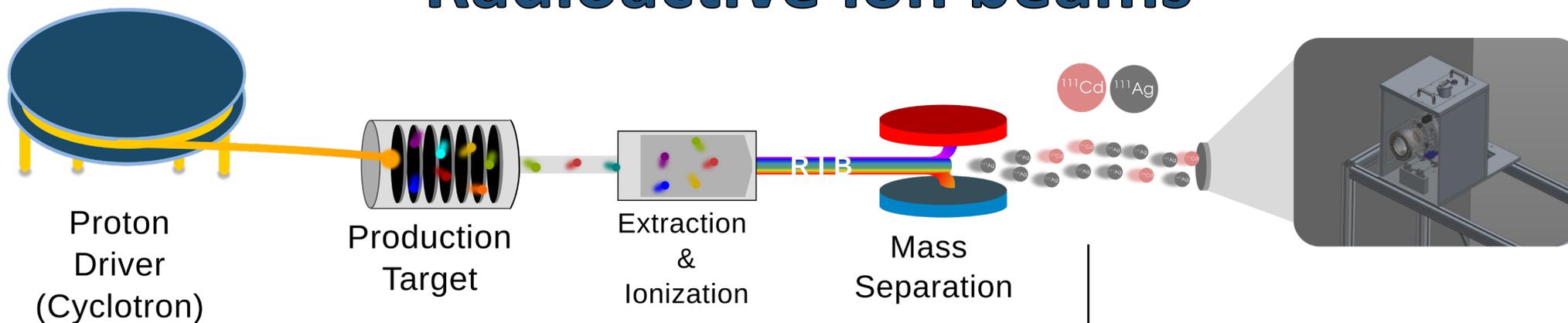
Luca Morselli (INFN-LNL)

Nicola Realdon, Francesca Mastrotto (University of Padova)

Marcello Lunardon (INFN-PD and University of Padova)



# Radioactive ion beams

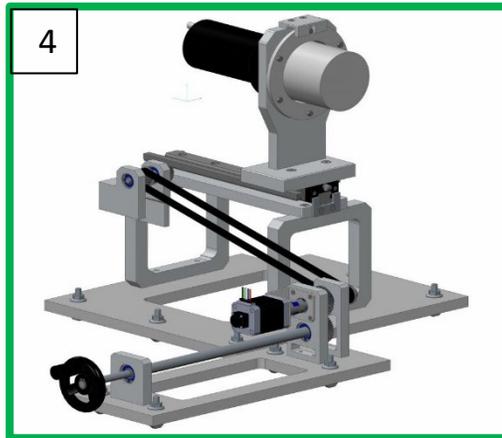


Isobaric Radioactive Ion Beam  
- excellent radionuclide purity -



# IRIS (ISOLPHARM Radionuclide Implantation Station)

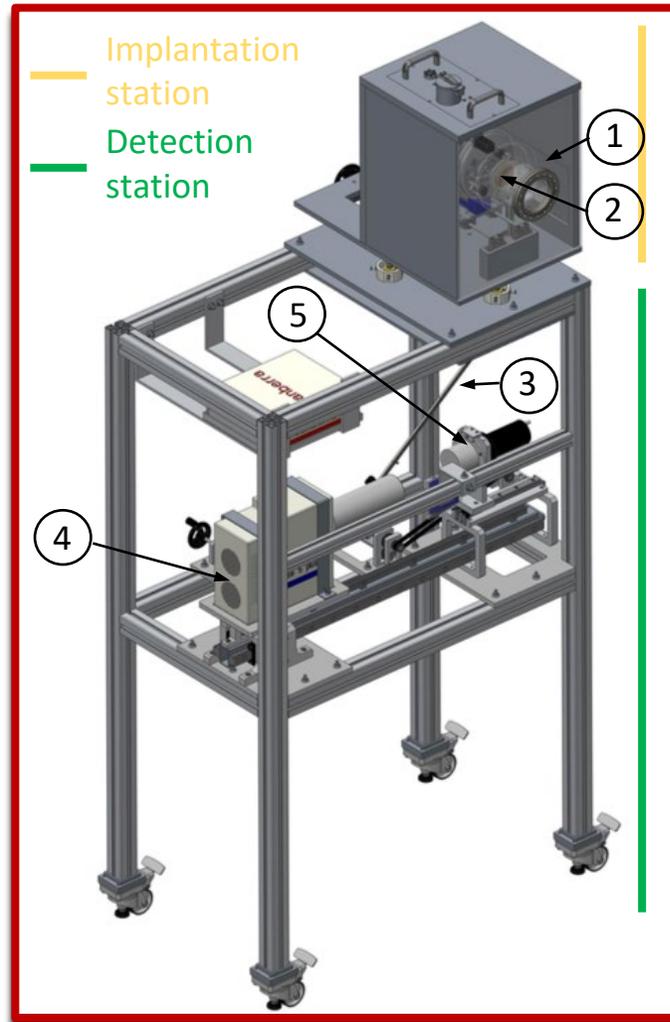
## LaBr<sub>3</sub> Detector



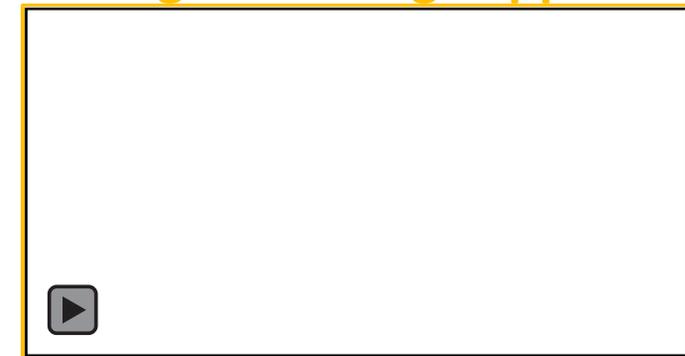
## HPGe detector



## IRIS



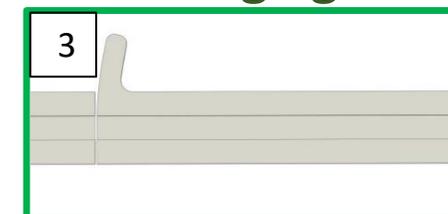
## Target rotating support



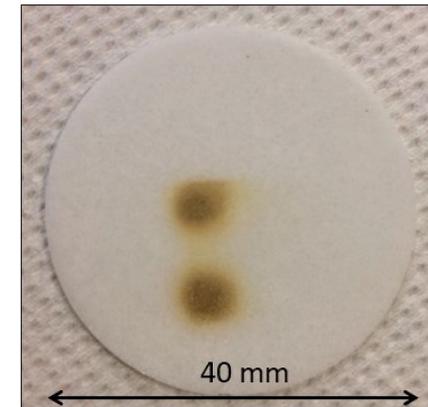
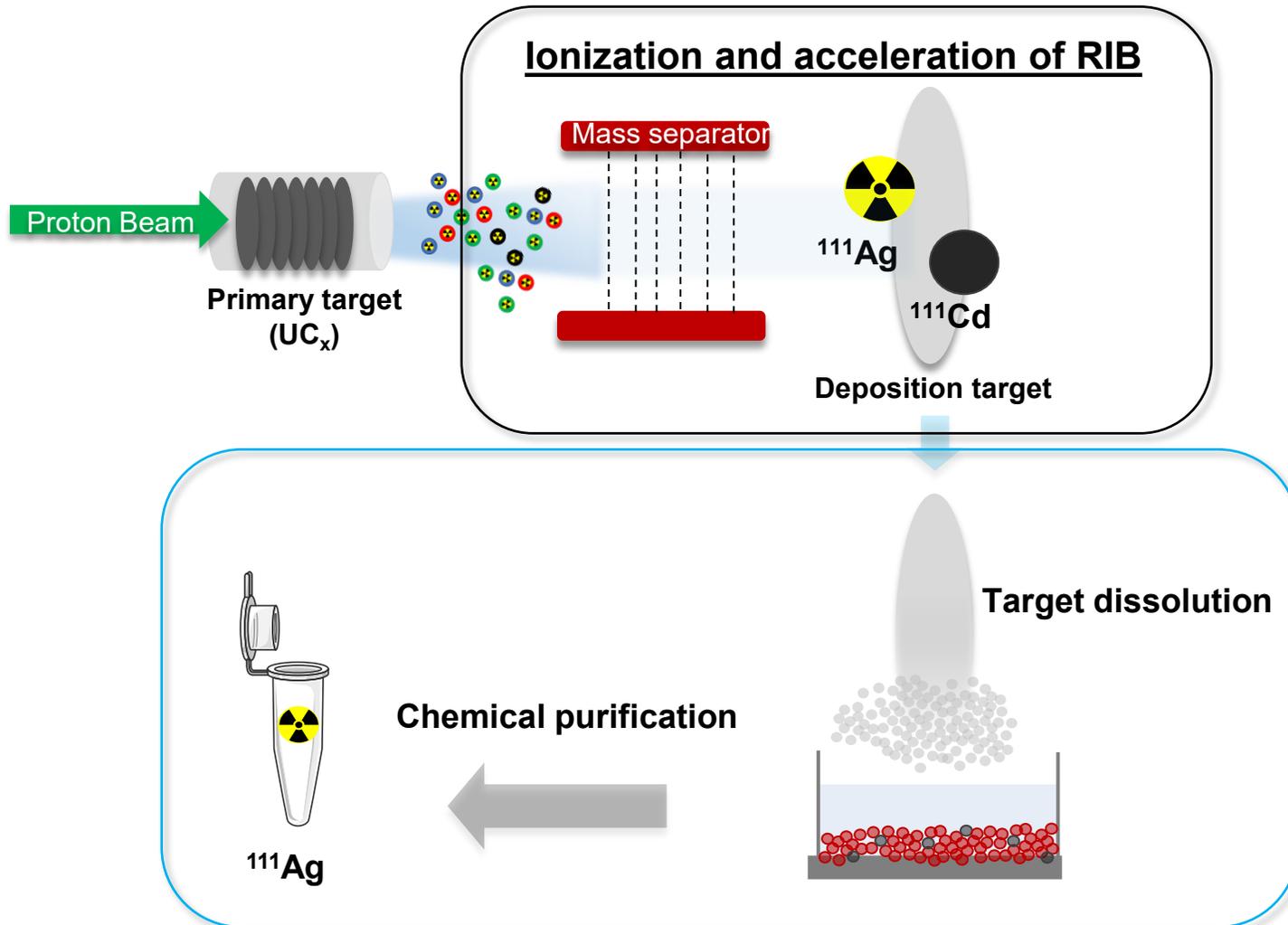
## Target refill system



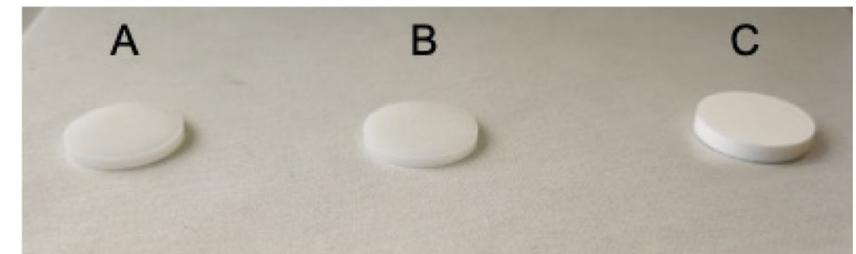
## Discharge guide



# Ion Recovery



107-Ag and 109-Ag



Different materials to get high resistance and radionuclide recovery

# Production method

## Targets production



- Sodium chloride
- Sodium nitrate

**Saline**



- Dextrates
- Cellulose

**Pharma**



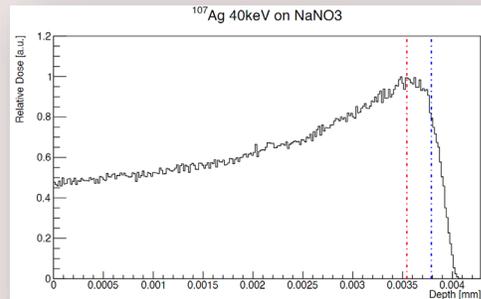
## Production conditions

Mass variation

Pressure force variation

Pressing time variation

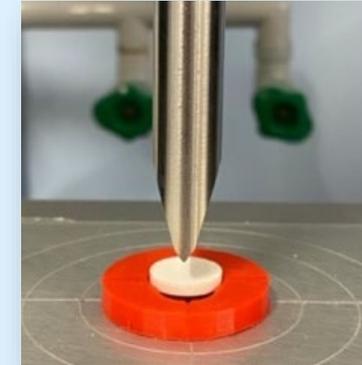
# Characterization



**Implantation depth**



**Porosity**



**Breaking load**



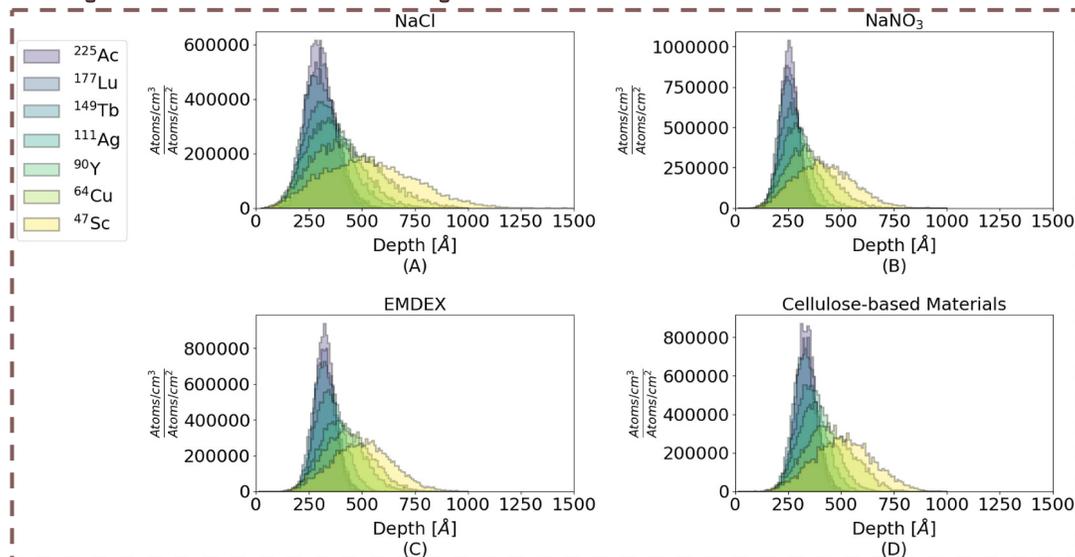
**Disaggregation**



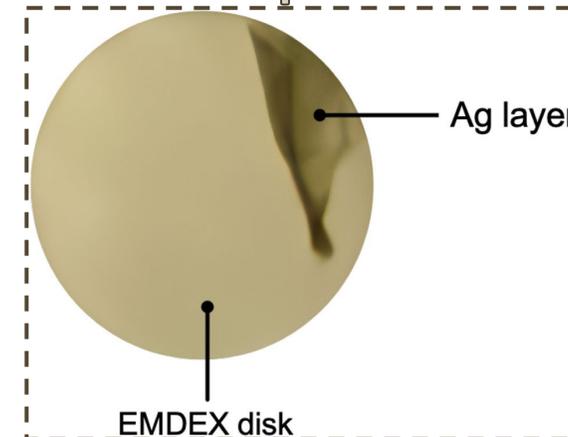
**Metals deposition**

# Results and future works

## Implantation depth

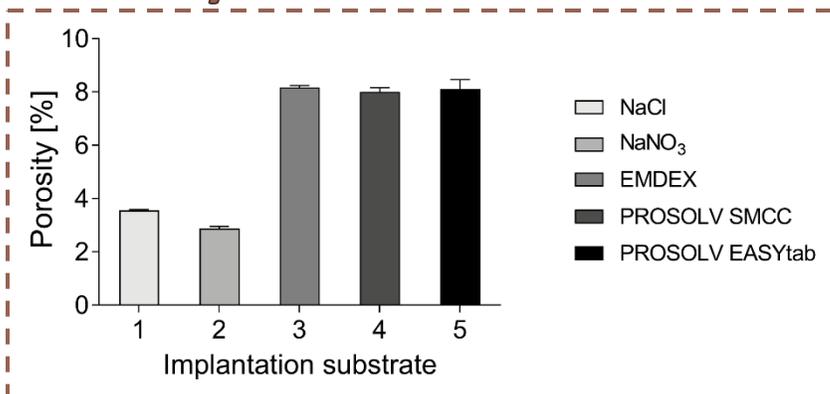


## Metals deposition

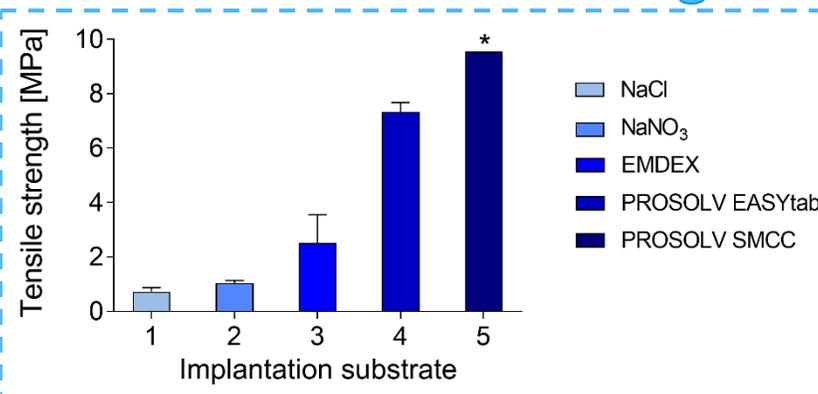


Pharma materials are more promising →  
**deposition**  
**compatibility studies**  
**with different**  
**material beyond Cu**  
**and Ag**

## Porosity



## Breaking load





# LARAMED targets for direct production of medical radioisotopes at LNL

Sara Cisternino, Juan Esposito, Gaia Pupillo, Liliana Mou, Gabriele Sciacca, Giorgio Keppel,

Oscar Azzolini, Mourad El Idrissi (INFN-LNL)

Alisa Kotliarenko (INFN-LNL and University of Ferrara)

Lucia De Dominicis (INFN-LNL and University of Padova)

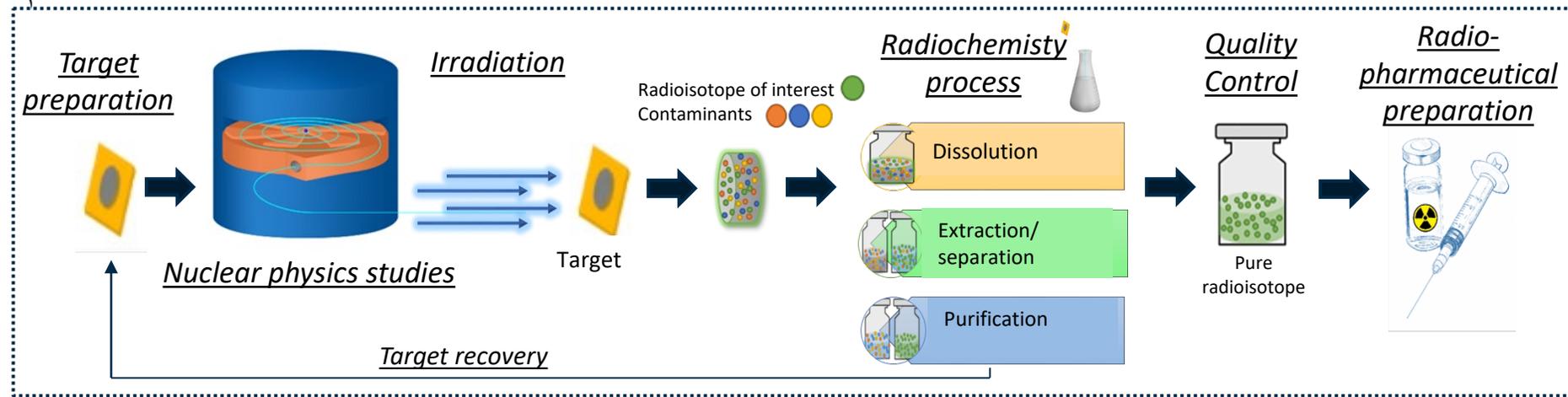
Petra Martini (University of Ferrara and INFN-FE)





# LARAMED → Laboratory of RADionuclides for MEDicine

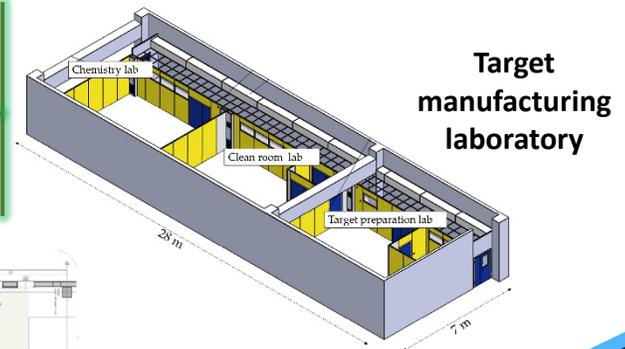
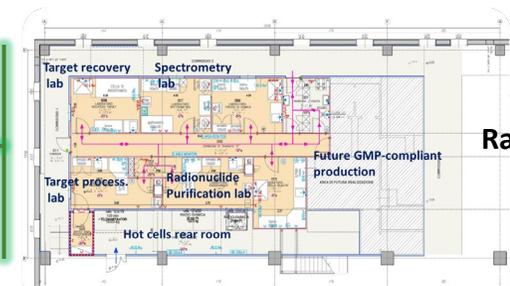
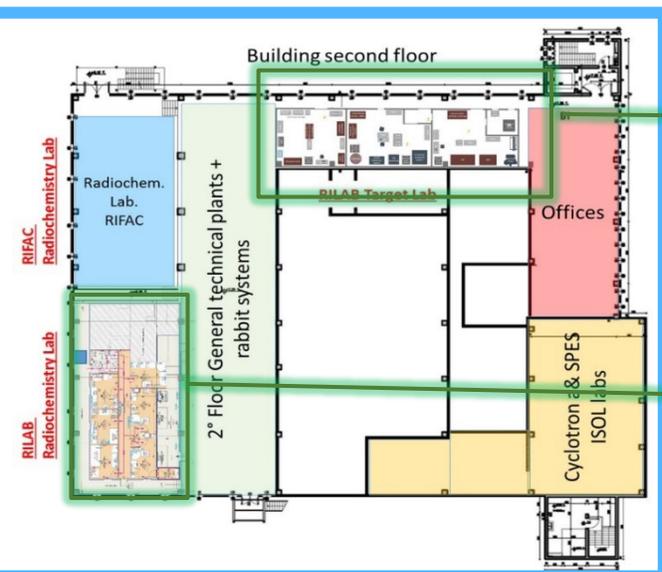
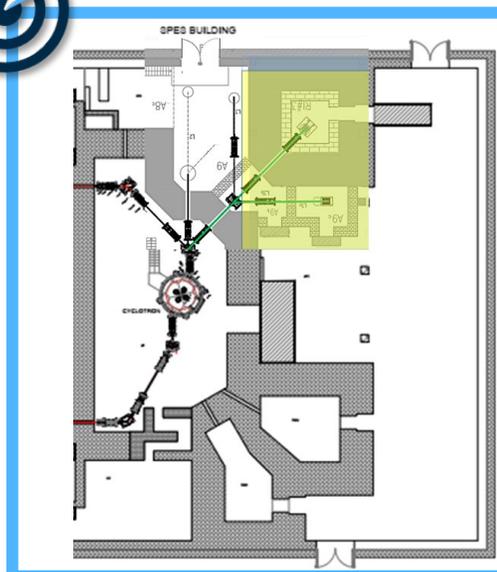
Research and development for the production of innovative medical radioisotopes by direct target activation



**molecules**

Letter  
**LARAMED: A Laboratory for Radioisotopes of Medical Interest**

Juan Esposito <sup>1,2</sup>, Diego Bettoni <sup>1,2</sup>, Alessandra Boschi <sup>3,4</sup>, Michele Calderolla <sup>1</sup>, Sara Cisternino <sup>1</sup>, Giovanni Fiorentini <sup>2</sup>, Giorgio Keppel <sup>1</sup>, Petra Martini <sup>1,3,4</sup>, Mario Maggiore <sup>1</sup>, Liliana Mou <sup>1</sup>, Micòl Pasquali <sup>1</sup>, Lorenzo Pranovi <sup>1</sup>, Gaia Pupillo <sup>1</sup>, Carlos Rossi Alvarez <sup>1</sup>, Lucia Sarchiapone <sup>1</sup>, Gabriele Sciacca <sup>1</sup>, Hanna Sklarova <sup>1,4</sup>, Paolo Favaron <sup>1</sup>, Augusto Lombardi <sup>1</sup>, Piergiorgio Antonini <sup>1</sup> and Adriano Duatti <sup>1,4</sup>



**Radiochemistry laboratory**



# Solid targets:

*What is needed - absolutely necessary - for successful medical RI production or nuclear-cross section measurements?*

→ A target with specific requirements

- **Target material**  
decided based on nuclear physics reaction chosen for the production of the specific radionuclide

Often isotopically enriched material → very expensive!

- **Optimal thickness**  
estimated based on nuclear physics calculations to exploit the best energy range

Nuclear Cross-section measurements



100s  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  – 10s  $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$

Radionuclide production



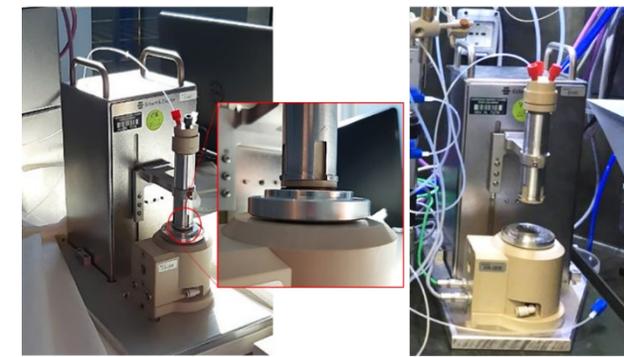
100s  $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$  –  $\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

- **Easy handling**  
for safe radiochemistry process



- **Thermo-mechanical strenght**  
To withstand the thermal power deposited during the irradiation

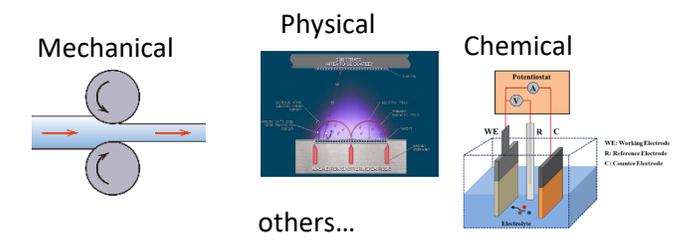
- **Selected backing material**  
based on its-
  - chemical inertness
  - thermal conductivity
  - mechanical strenght
  - activation under the beam



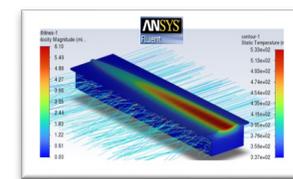
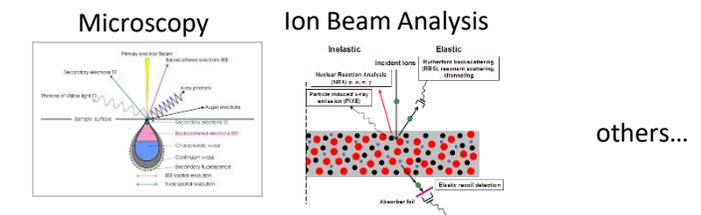
Dissolutin reactor with bottom opened vial (Sciacca et al., Molecules 2021)

*What is needed - absolutely necessary - for a successful target?*

→ Tailored manufacturing techniques



→ Target characterization, tests and simulations

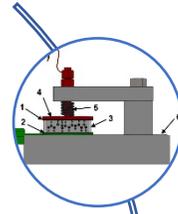
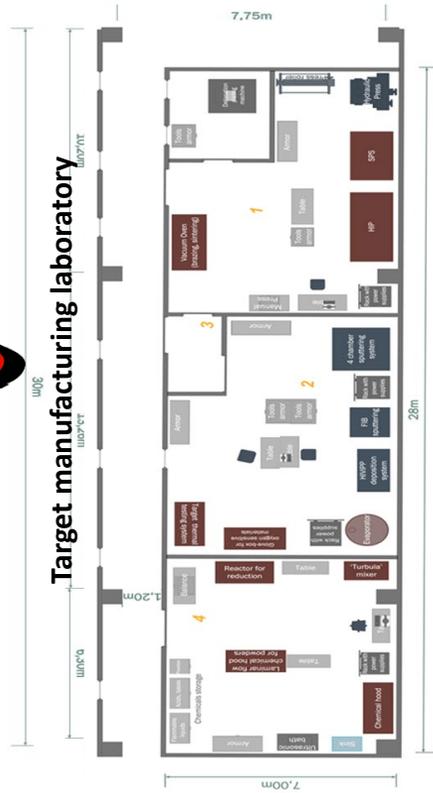


Thermo-mechanical simulations



# R&D on innovative target manufacturing techniques

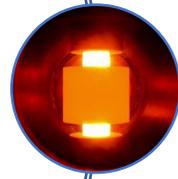
in the framework of the LARAMED project  
to overcome the limits of standard techniques



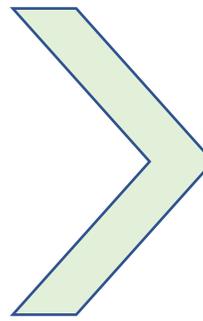
High Energy Vibrational Powder Plating



Thin targets for nuclear XS studies



Spark Plasma Sintering

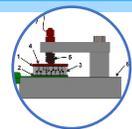


Thick targets for RI production



Magnetron Sputtering

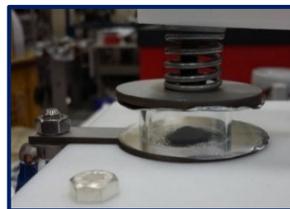




# High Energy Vibrational Powder Plating (HIVIPP)

Solution for thin target for nuclear xs measurements

This deposition technique exploits the phenomenon of **vibrational motion** of metallic **powder** in a static electric field



### Advantages

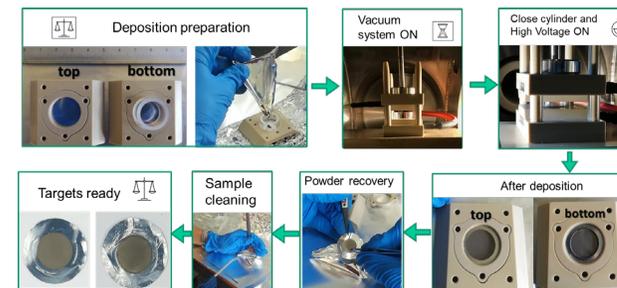
- ✓ Starting material → **powder**
- ✓ Efficiency 95-98%: **no losses of material**
- ✓ Two targets are deposited simultaneously
- ✓ Low amount of starting material is needed
- ✓ Thickness: 0.1-20 μm
- ✓ Glove-bag to work in protective atmosphere
- ✓ Automatic control of power supply

### Requirements:

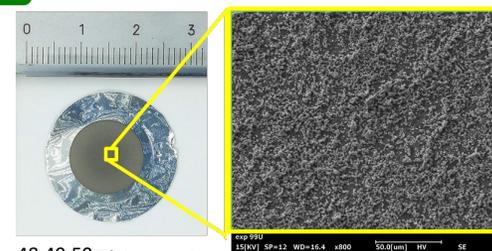
- Metal substrates
- Metal powder (irregular shape and small size <20 μm)

*Suitable for Ti targets for the nuclear cross-section measurements for the production of the theranostic radionuclide <sup>47</sup>Sc at high energy (30-70 MeV)*

## ✓ New set-up apparatus and deposition procedure

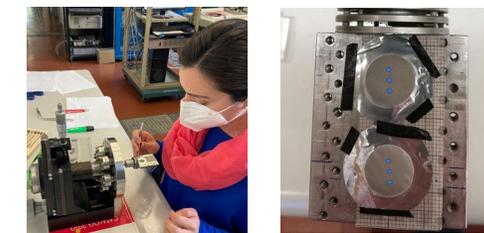


## ✓ Realization and characterization of enriched Ti targets

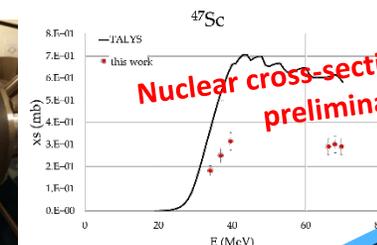
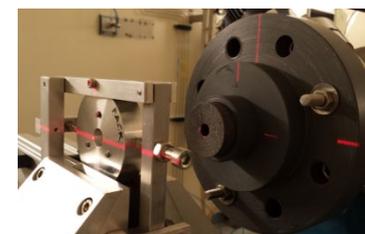


48,49,50Ti targets  
Uniform thickness ≈500 μg/cm<sup>2</sup>

EBS analysis (with AN2000 accelerator at LNL)



## ✓ Irradiation at ARRONAX facility (with proton beam)



**Nuclear cross-section measurements: preliminary results**

- know-how
  - HIVIPP apparatus
  - technology
- available @ LNL for future target request for
- nuclear cross-section measurements for medical RI production (Irradiation @ LNL - 2023)
  - and other..

E-PLATE, PASTA and REMIX projects (CSN5)



# Spark Plasma Sintering (SPS)

Solution for thick target for RI production

Simultaneous application of load and temperature

## Advantages

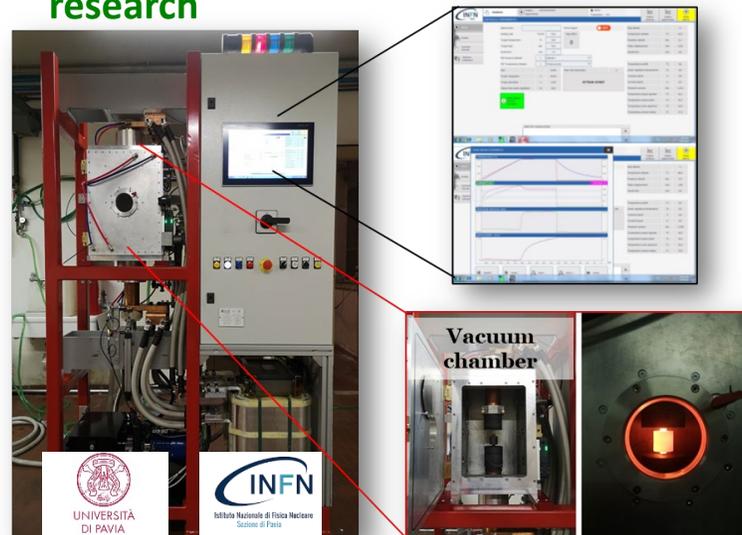
- ✓ High heating rates (up to 1000 °C/min)
- ✓ Very short sintering times (min instead of hours)
- ✓ Sintering of high melting point materials (metal or oxide)
- ✓ 99% efficiency → No loss of isotope-enriched material during manufacturing
- ✓ Starting materials → powder or foils
- ✓ Directly bonding of different materials → (target and backing)
  - Au protective thin layer in between instead of costly Au backings
- ✓ 200 μm - mm thickness pellet → targets for production

**Typical experimental conditions:**  
 Voltage 5-10 V  
 Current intensity  $10^3$ - $10^4$  A  
 Pressure 5-100 MPa

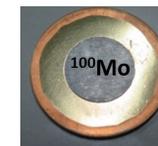


- know-how
  - SPS machine
  - technology
- to manufacture targets for:
- Emerging Medical RI
  - Other applications

✓ TT\_Sinter → dedicated SPS machine tailored for targets manufacturing for research



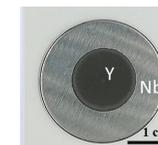
✓ Several targets realized and tested with medical cyclotron



**TECHNOSP:**  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  targets for  $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$  production



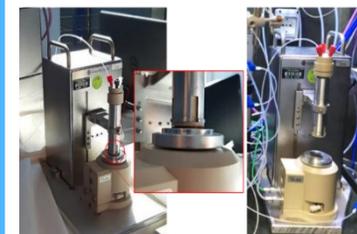
**METRICS:**  $^{52}\text{Cr}$  targets for  $^{52\text{m}}\text{Mn}$  production



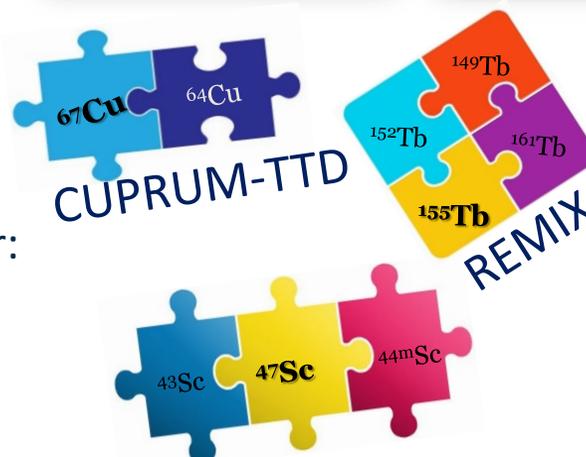
Collaboration with hospital: Y targets for  $^{89}\text{Zr}$  production



**INTEFF\_TOTEM:**  $^{\text{nat}}\text{ZnO}$  pellet for  $^{67}\text{Cu}$  production



Automated dissolution module for coin targets developed



# Magnetron Sputtering (MS)

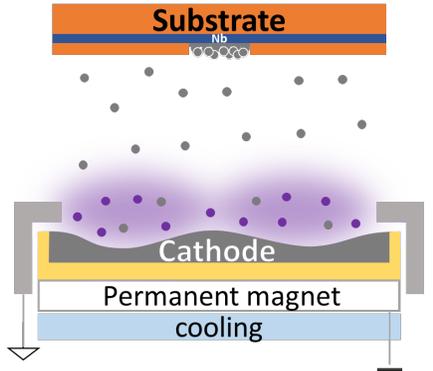
Physical Vapor Deposition plasma-based coating process

### Advantages

- ✓ Deposition of metals or oxides
- ✓ High adhesion to any substrate
- ✓ High-purity film
- ✓ Multi-target preparation



Magnetron sputtering standard configuration

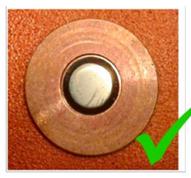


**Patent WO 2019/053570**  
**METHOD FOR OBTAINING A SOLID TARGET FOR RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS PRODUCTION**  
 V. Palmieri, H. Skliarova, S. Cisternino, M. Marengo, G. Cicoria

Medical Cyclotron target

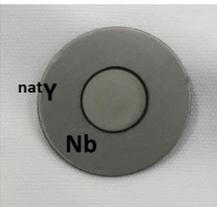
After irradiation

Mo target to produce <sup>99m</sup>Tc



Heat power density >1 kW/cm<sup>2</sup>

Y target to produce <sup>89</sup>Zr



Heat power density ≈1 kW/cm<sup>2</sup>



## Material saving approach:

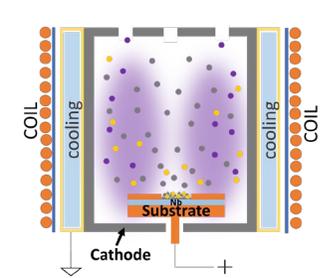
Advantages to the standard MS:

- ✓ Reduced material losses during the deposition
- ✓ Possible facilitation in the reactive sputtering deposition
- ✓ Possible more efficient cathode utilization

### Recovering shield and Inverted magnetron

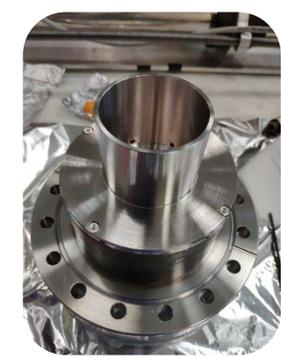


allows to collect 55% of the sputtered material



Recovering shield

Sample holder with nat-Cr target



Preliminary thermo-mechanical resistivity test

As prepared



After irradiation



Nuclear Physics Mid Term Plan in Italy

# High power targetry development

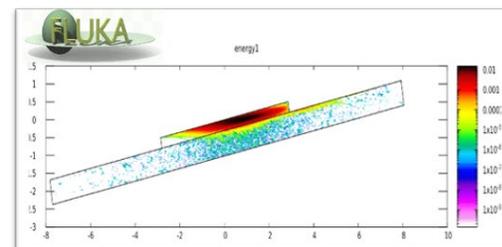
Scarce availability of emerging radionuclides for nuclear medicine

Yield proportional to beam power

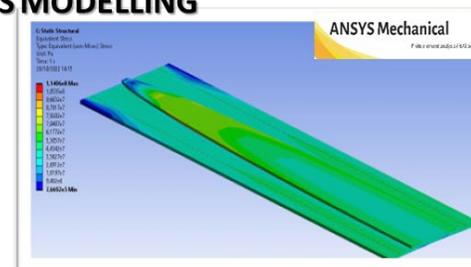
Development of efficient target cooling system (e.g. novel heat sink configurations)

Optimization through thermo-fluid dynamical simulations

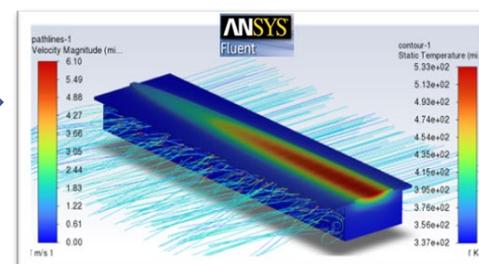
## HIGH-POWER TARGETS MODELLING



Beam energy deposition modelling



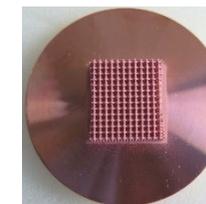
Calculation of thermal stresses



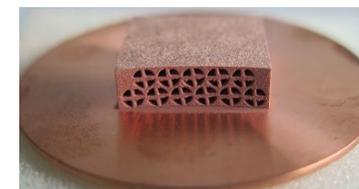
Determination of temperature distribution

## ADDITIVELY MANUFACTURED PURE COPPER HEAT SINKS

### Grid configuration



### Helical channels configuration



- R&D on **different target configurations** with SPS and MS techniques (national and international collaborations)
- test under **high energy cyclotron** – @ ARRONAX facility, others in Europe or worldwide; @ LNL – SPES (2025) –





**Lenos**  
Legnaro Neutron Source



# Targets development for neutrons at LNL

Pierfrancesco Mastinu, Alberto Monetti, Elizabeth Musacchio-Gonzalez (INFN-LNL)

Jeffery Wyss (University of Cassino and Southern Lazio)

Luca Silvestrin (UNIPD)

Gianfranco Prete (INFN-LNL)



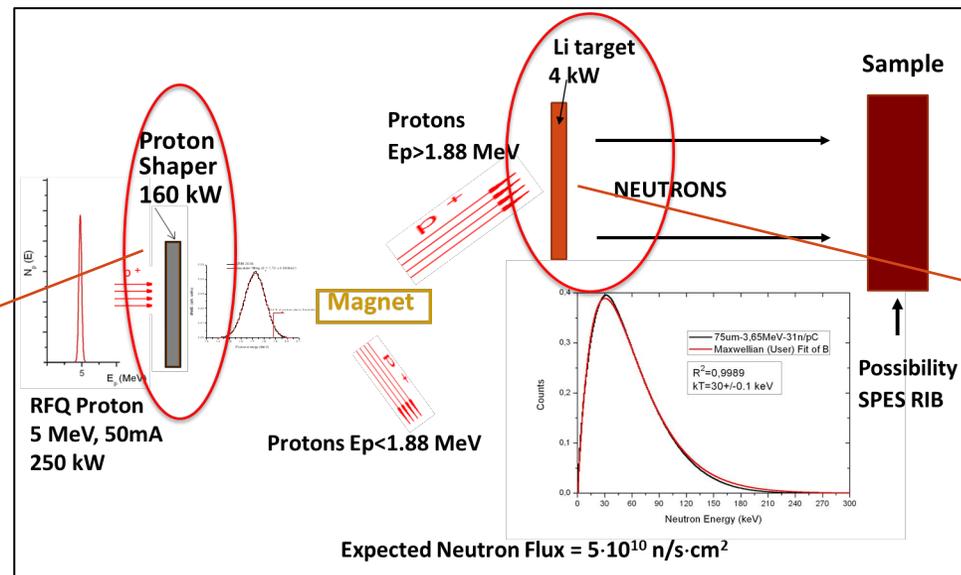
# LENOS Layout: for astrophysics experiments

## SPES/LENOS: Energy Shaper



**Rotating target**

Energy straggling and stopping power of charge particles when interact with a thin foil of material.  
General method: **multilayer energy shaper.**



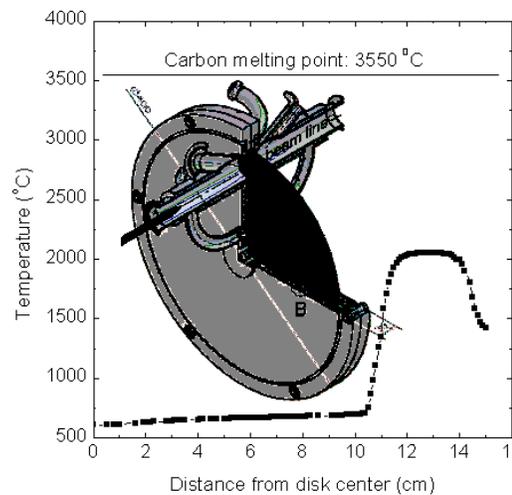
**micro-channel targets**

## LENOS foil material requirements :

- low atomic number, low density, high melting point, high emissivity, high thermal conductivity, high tensile strength.

### → GRAPHITE foil

- Graphite disk 70  $\mu$ m thickness.
- Power to be dissipated about 50 kW, mainly by radiation.
- Working temperature  $< 2000^\circ\text{C}$
- Construction material Al Ergal alloy



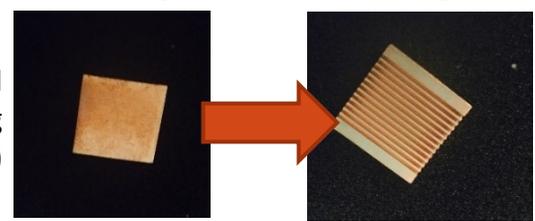
prototype



## New version of micro-channel targets

Micro-channels are produced through micro-tubes

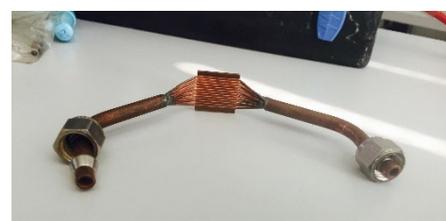
Grooves are produced in the target backing (one or both faces)



Micro-tubes are then inserted in the grooves



Interference is produced in order to have a full thermal contact



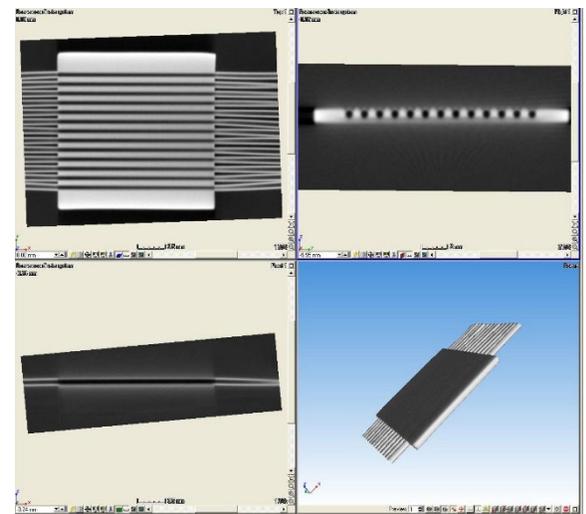
- tubes:
- 0.6 mm internal diameter
  - 0.8 mm external diameter
  - Cu substrate 1.2 mm thickness, 2x2 cm
  - Wall thickness tube distance 0.5 mm
  - Number of tubes: 13

**INFN international patent APPLICATION n. PCT/IB2014/067156**

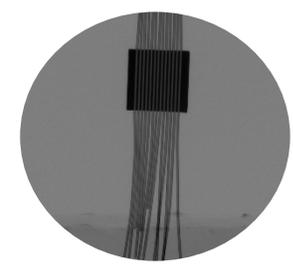


- Validation of the target **with metal Li layer**
- Other improvement using different materials for tubes and backing (**Poly Crystalline Diamond**)
- Wide range of **applications**: - SPES beam dump (50kW) - radioisotope production - BNCT - CPU heat sink etc

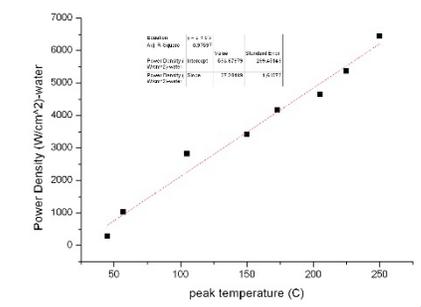
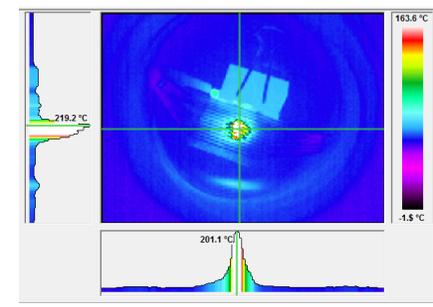
## Tomography



Certified an almost perfect contact: no defect at the 1 μm level precision



## Target : beam tests at Birmingham University



Mass flow: 2.94 l/min  $T_{in}^{water} = 13.0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   $250 < P < 1360\text{ W}$

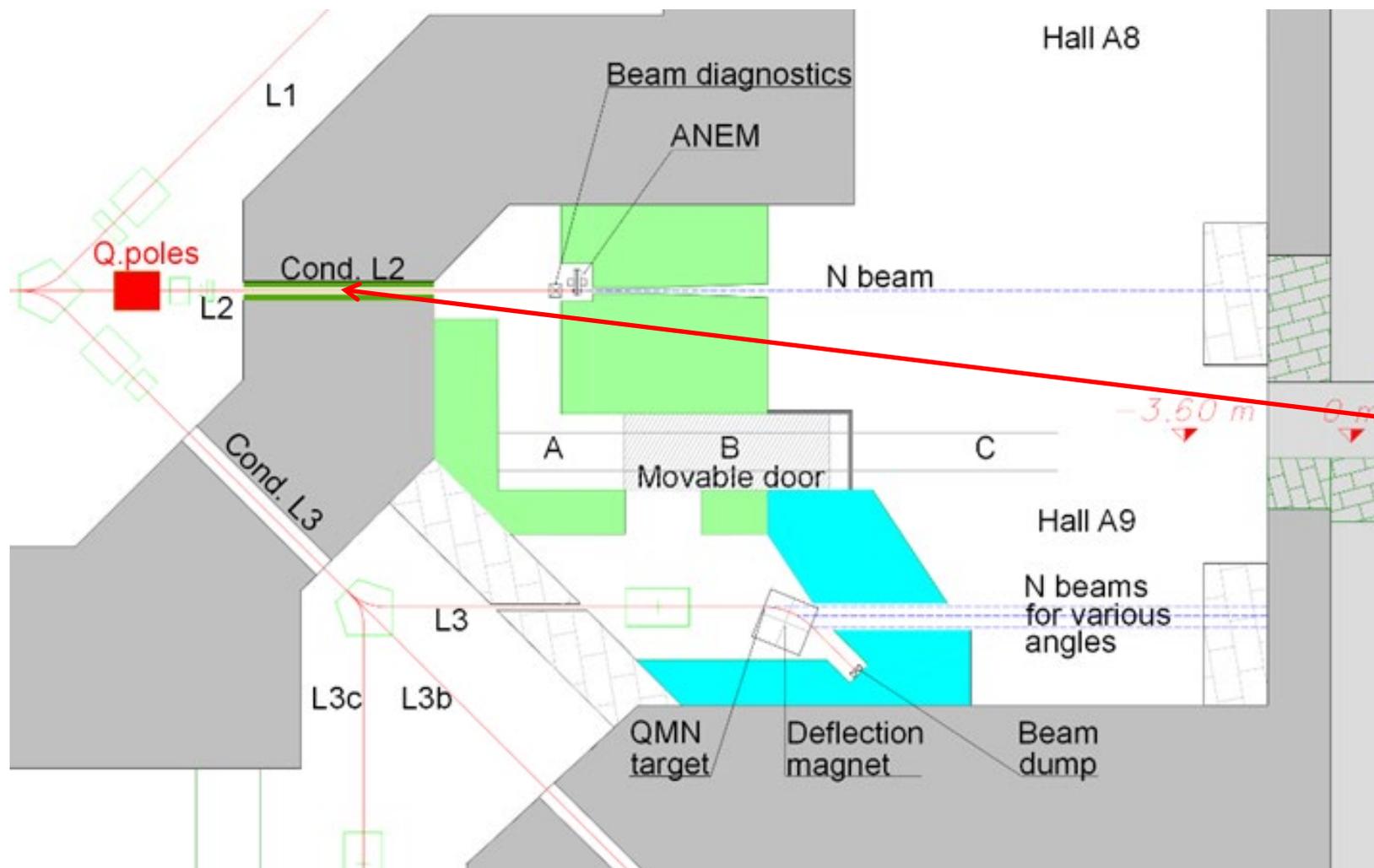
$0.064 < \text{beam spot area} < 0.2\text{ cm}^2$

**specific power of 3.5 kW/cm<sup>2</sup>**  
 peak surface temperature < 150 °C  
 (Li target application)



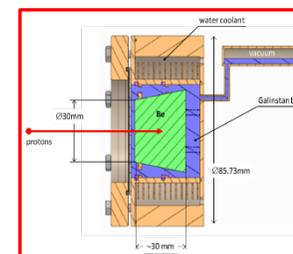
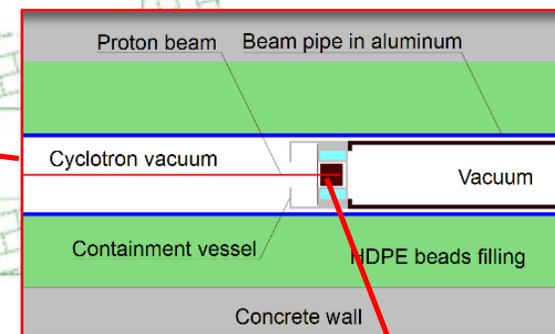
# SPES neutron facility

NEPIR: neutron irradiation facility at SPES for studying Single Event Effect in microelectronics



**Phase 0** → maximum proton current: 1  $\mu$ A ( $P = 70$  W).

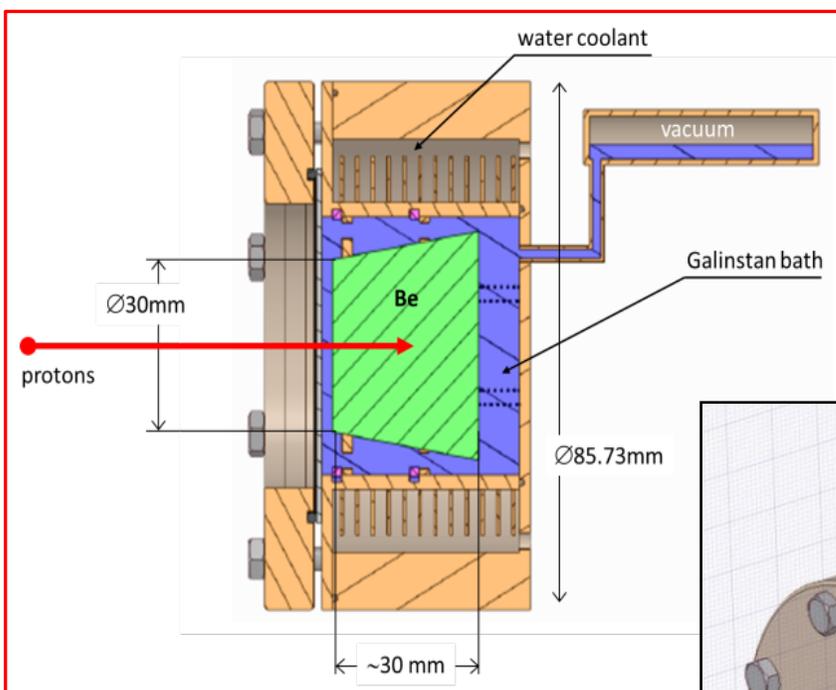
In this phase, the collimator in the bunker wall (green) towards Hall A9 is closed off.



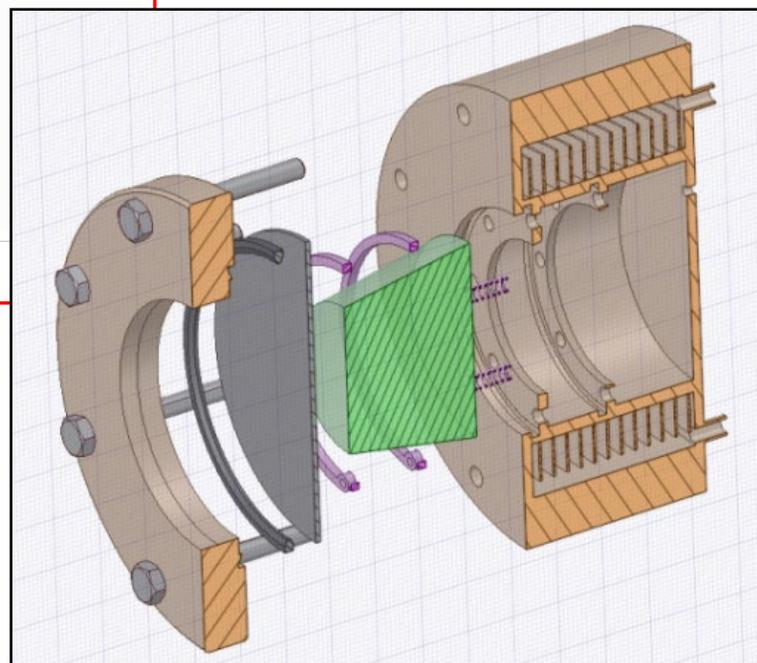
**target**

## NEPIR Initial Phase-0 with “CoolGal” target

### A novel liquid GALINSTAN cooled target: COOLGAL



- 30 mm **thick Be cylinder** is immersed in a **bath of GALINSTAN** contained by an outer **copper cladding**.
- The *liquid metal* ensures a good *thermal contact* with the external area of the cladding, where the water cooling circuit is used.
- A **thin havar membrane** separates the liquid metal from the beamline vacuum.



- The containment cladding is made of Cu with Au layer deposited to prevent corrosion and erosion effects from the liquid metal.
- The machined copper includes a closed circuit water-cooling system and cooling fins.

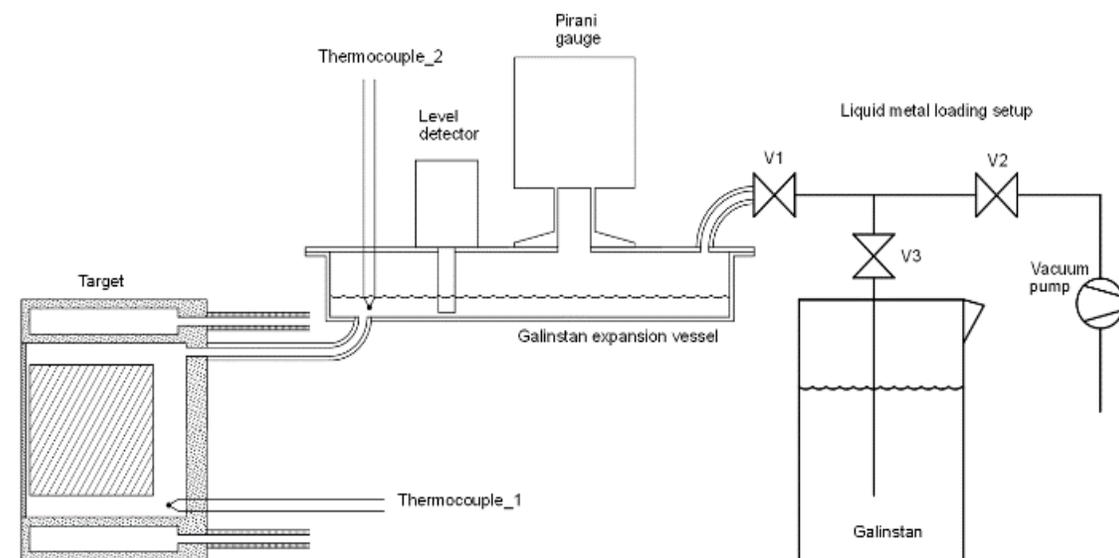


# NEPIR Initial Phase-0 with “CoolGal” target

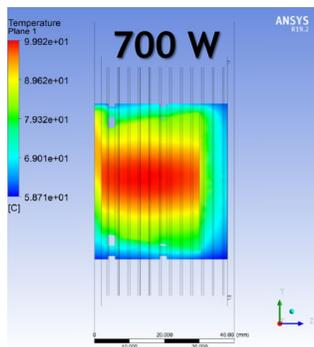
## A novel liquid GALINSTAN cooled target: COOLGAL

### Safety requirement

- The liquid metal alloy has a **reservoir tank** which works as expansion volume. *The temperature of the liquid, the pressure of the reservoir and the level of the liquid is monitored* and the data used to interlock the beam.
- The liquid metal provide:
  - To cool down the Havar window
  - To ensure a good thermal contact and heat transfer to the cladding for conduction
  - To keep the debris of beryllium if/when blistering occurs because no pressure difference is present
  - Allow thermal dilatation of the beryllium
  - Thanks to natural convection, distribute the heat on the whole surface of the cladding.

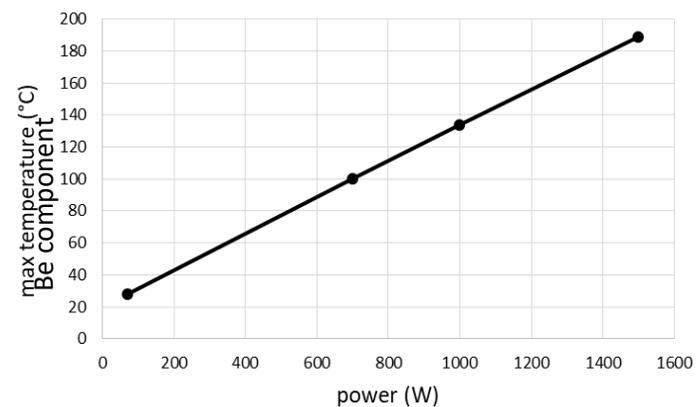


### CoolGal: ANSYS CFX/simulations



Temperature map of the Be and Gallinstan of a preliminary ANSYS model of CoolGal with water coolant ( $v=2\text{m/s}$ ) for 700 W (10  $\mu\text{A}$  current of 70 MeV protons).

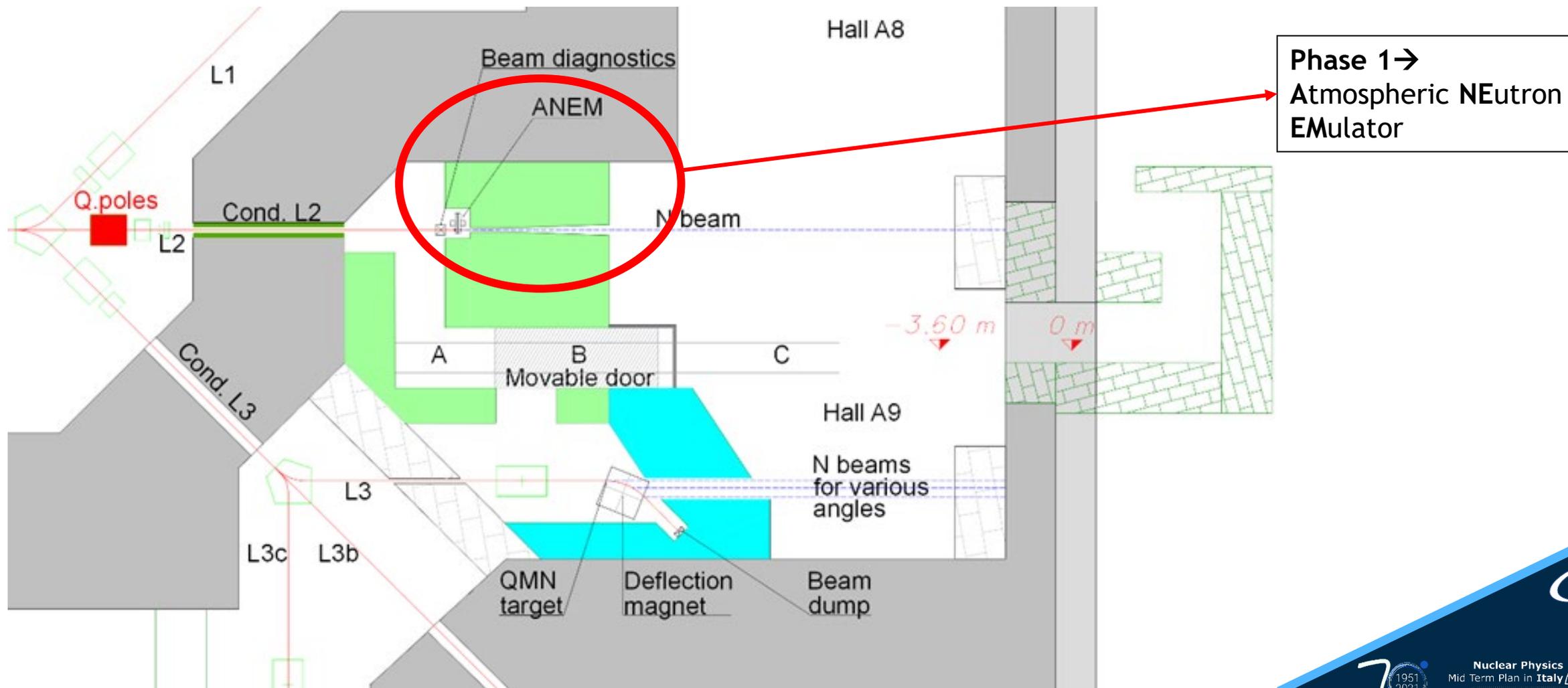
**The maximum temperature of the Be component is 100°C.**





# SPES neutron facility

NEPIR: neutron irradiation facility at SPES for studying Single Event Effect in microelectronics



Phase 1 ->  
Atmospheric NEutron  
EMulator

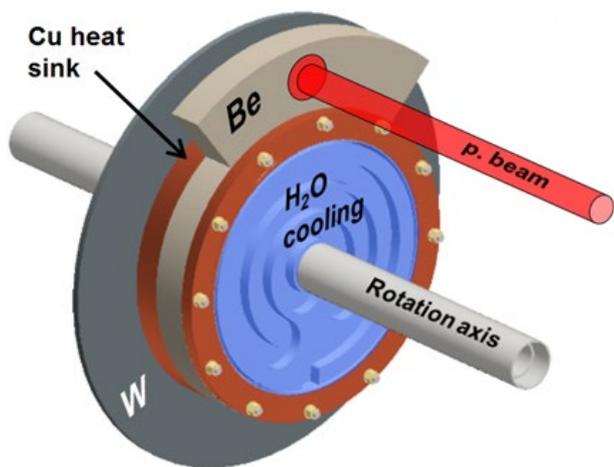


# SPES/ANEM: a continuous energy neutron production target

The ANEM target is designed to handle a maximum current  $I_{\text{beam}} = 30 \mu\text{A}$  (**2.1 kW**)

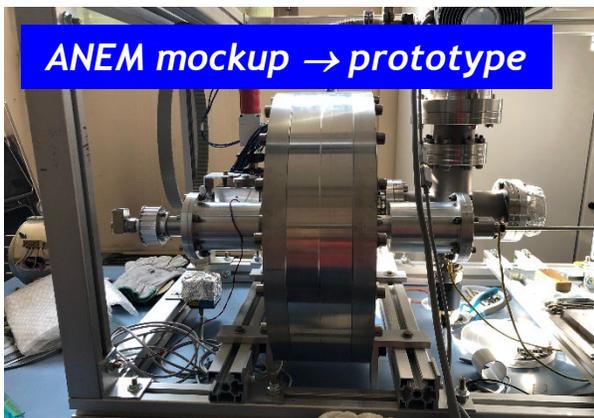
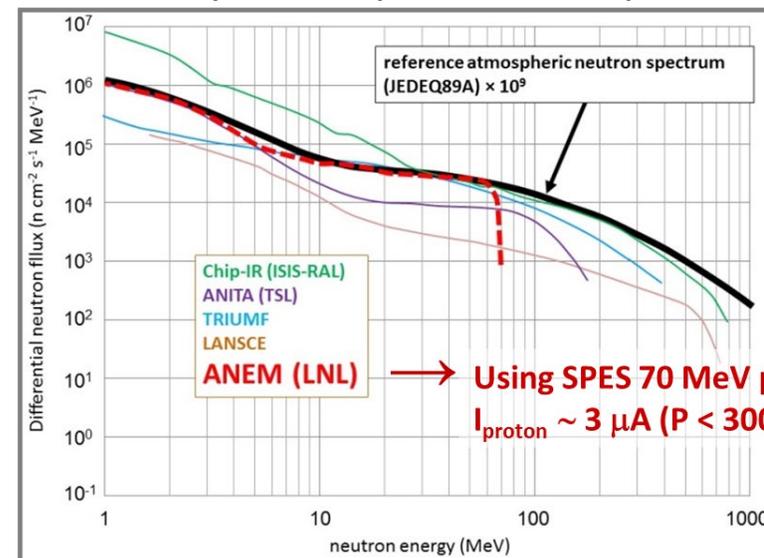
**A novel rotating composite target made of thick Be and W**

A W disk and a Be circular sector rotate on a common water-cooled hub and alternatively intercept a 70 MeV proton beam

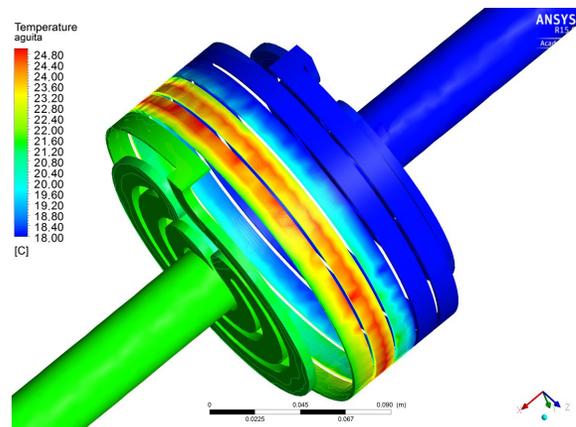


**Thickness** →  
 Be: 24 mm (\*)  
 W: 5 mm

(\*) The Be sector does not stop the protons (to avoid damage); most of the protons pass through without causing nuclear reactions. The emerging low energy protons are stopped by the W disk.



**ANEM mockup → prototype**



- Water inlet temperature : 18°C;
- Water inlet velocity 1m/s
- rotating beam (10 rev/sec)





# Target for FraSe facility at LNS

Paolo Russotto, Antonio Domenico Russo, S. Cavallaro, M. Costa, Emanuele Vincenzo  
Pagano, S. Passarello, S. Pulvirenti (INFN-LNS)  
Nunzia Simona Martorana (INFN-LNS, University of Catania)



# FRIBs facility



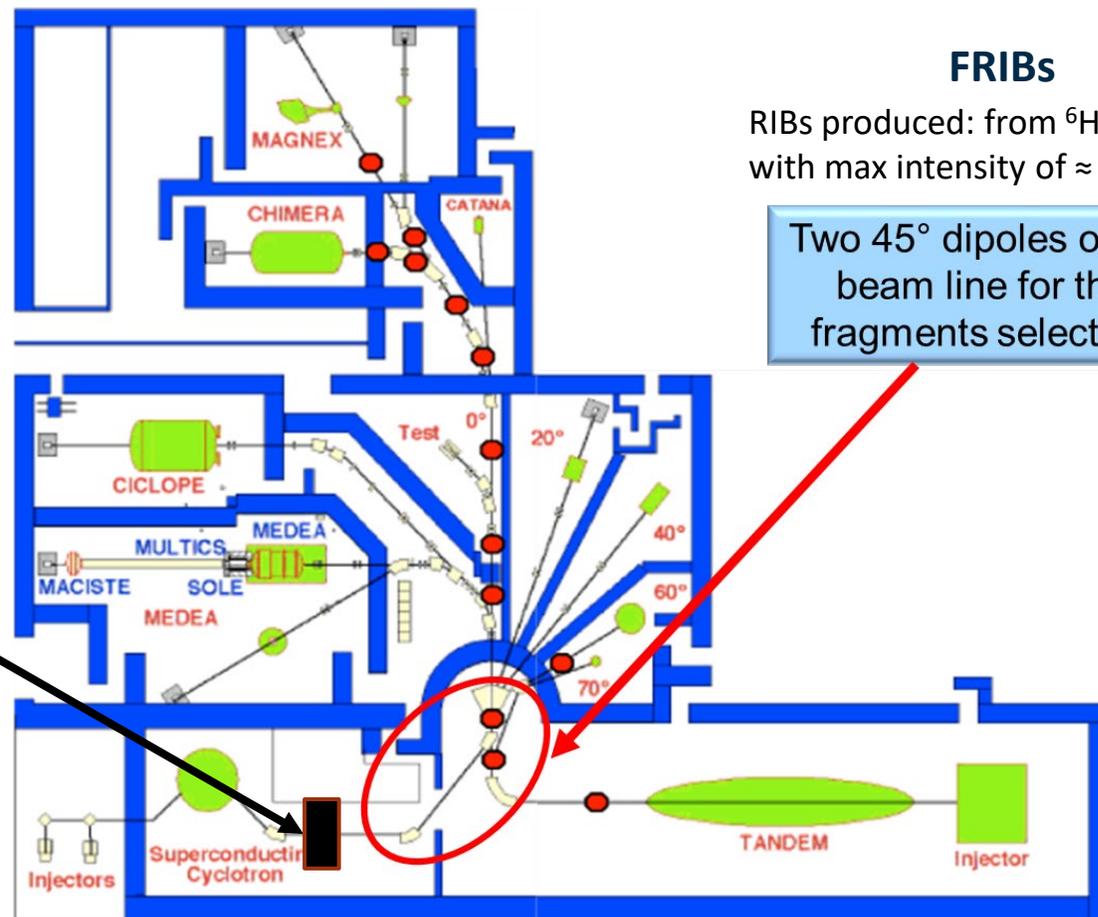
At INFN-LNS RIBs were produced, **since 2001**, using the FRIBs (in Flight Radioactive Ion Beams at LNS) facility through the In-Flight fragmentation method (primary beam accelerated by CS + <sup>9</sup>Be target), employing a maximum beam power of 100 W

Water cooled copper support holding two Be foils with typical thickness 250-1500 μm



production target

Alumina target mounted on the production target system and watched by a camera to better focus the beam



## FRIBs

RIBs produced: from <sup>6</sup>He to <sup>68</sup>Ni with max intensity of ≈ 10<sup>5</sup> pps

Two 45° dipoles of the beam line for the fragments selection

POT@LNS

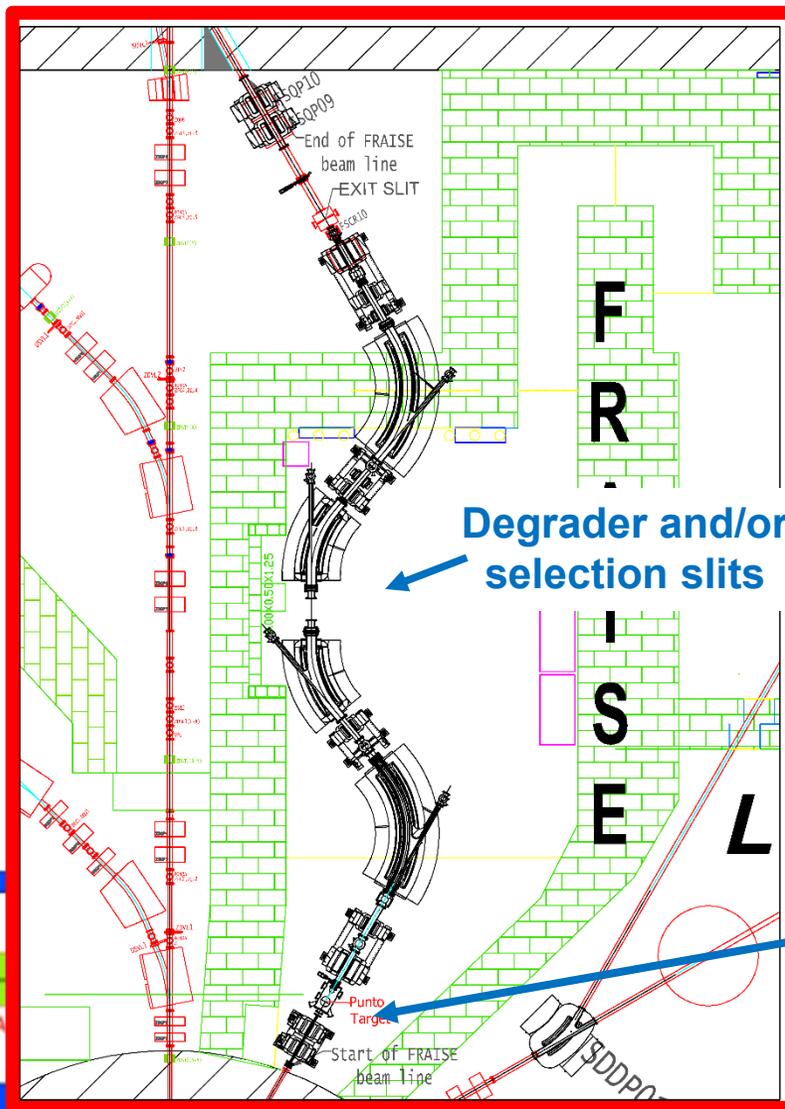
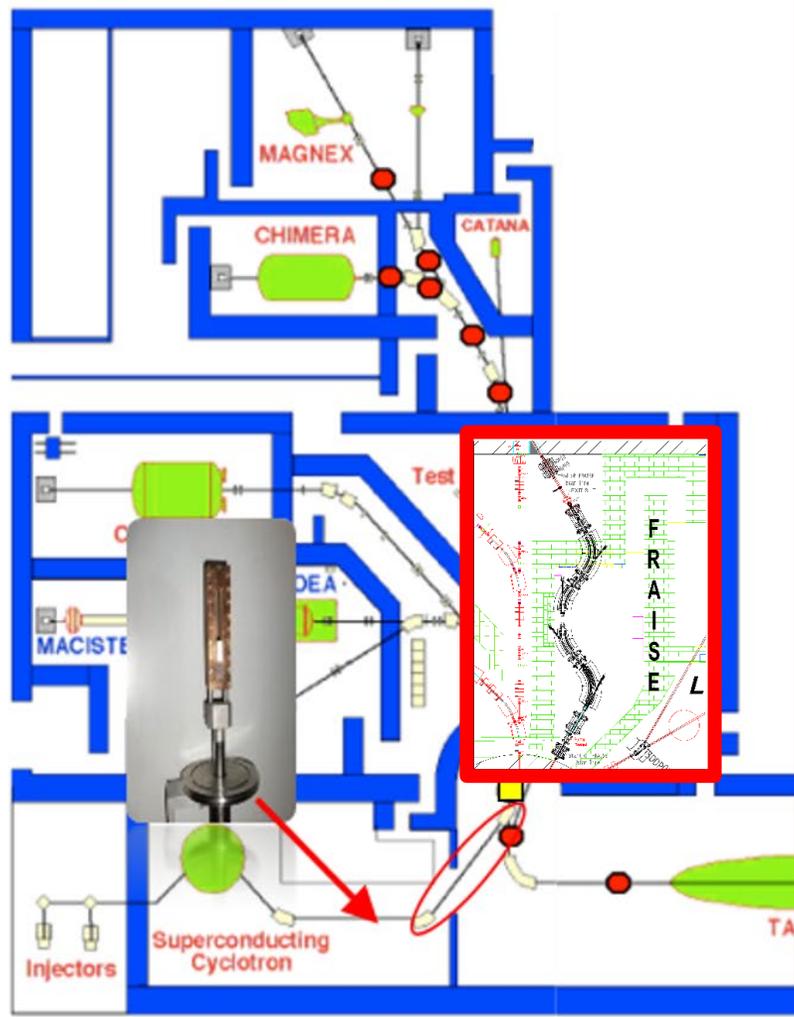


Nuclear Physics Mid Term Plan in Italy





# Future development: FraSe



### Main features:

- 4 dipoles, 6 quadrupoles and 2 sextupoles, arranged in two symmetric branches, to ensure optimal achromatic condition
- maximum magnetic rigidity 3.2 Tm
- momentum acceptance  $\pm 1.2\%$
- solid angle acceptance  $\pm 2.5 \text{ msr}$
- 5 m dispersion at symmetry plane, energy resolving power

$$RP = \left| \frac{R_{16}}{2x_0 R_{11}} \right| = 2600$$

(beam spot  $\pm 1 \text{ mm}$ )

- thanks to high energy dispersion value at the symmetry plane, it will allow to deliver stable beams with an energy spread of 0.1 %

**New production target able to work at higher intensity**

# FraSe beams

## Primary CS beams

| Ion              | Energy (MeV/u) |
|------------------|----------------|
| <sup>12</sup> C  | 30             |
| <sup>12</sup> C  | 45             |
| <sup>12</sup> C  | 60             |
| <sup>18</sup> O  | 20             |
| <sup>18</sup> O  | 29             |
| <sup>18</sup> O  | 45             |
| <sup>18</sup> O  | 60             |
| <sup>18</sup> O  | 70             |
| <sup>20</sup> Ne | 28             |
| <sup>20</sup> Ne | 70             |
| <sup>40</sup> Ar | 60             |

Expectation using 2kW primary beams and an Al 100 μm homogenous degrader on the symmetry plane

|                                |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                |                                |                                |                                 | <sup>17</sup> Ne<br>8.7E5<br>53 | <sup>18</sup> Ne<br>3.1E7<br>51 | <sup>19</sup> Ne<br>6.0E8<br>52 | <sup>20</sup> Ne                | <sup>21</sup> Ne               | <sup>22</sup> Ne               |
|                                |                                |                                |                                 |                                 | <sup>17</sup> F<br>1.7E8<br>50  | <sup>18</sup> F                 | <sup>19</sup> F                 | <sup>20</sup> F<br>9.5E6<br>55 | <sup>21</sup> F                |
|                                |                                | <sup>13</sup> O<br>7.2E4<br>54 | <sup>14</sup> O<br>1.4E6<br>40  | <sup>15</sup> O<br>2.8E7<br>54  | <sup>16</sup> O                 | <sup>17</sup> O                 | <sup>18</sup> O                 | <sup>19</sup> O<br>2.3E6<br>39 | <sup>20</sup> O                |
|                                |                                | <sup>12</sup> N<br>1.2E6<br>49 | <sup>13</sup> N<br>2.3E7<br>50  | <sup>14</sup> N                 | <sup>15</sup> N                 | <sup>16</sup> N<br>6.9E8<br>53  | <sup>17</sup> N<br>3.2E8<br>57  | <sup>18</sup> N<br>3.7E6<br>57 | <sup>19</sup> N                |
| <sup>9</sup> C<br>4.0E5<br>45  | <sup>10</sup> C<br>1.1E7<br>43 | <sup>11</sup> C<br>2.2E8<br>44 | <sup>12</sup> C                 | <sup>13</sup> C                 | <sup>14</sup> C<br>1.1E8<br>59  | <sup>15</sup> C<br>4.0E7<br>59  | <sup>16</sup> C<br>1.4E7<br>60  | <sup>17</sup> C<br>1.2E5<br>58 | <sup>18</sup> C<br>4.8E2<br>55 |
| <sup>8</sup> B<br>3.1E6<br>42  |                                | <sup>10</sup> B                | <sup>11</sup> B                 | <sup>12</sup> B<br>2.6E7<br>57  | <sup>13</sup> B<br>7.5E6<br>58  | <sup>14</sup> B<br>1.4E6<br>60  | <sup>15</sup> B<br>2.6E5<br>51  |                                | <sup>17</sup> B                |
| <sup>7</sup> Be<br>1.5E7<br>43 |                                | <sup>9</sup> Be                | <sup>10</sup> Be<br>1.6E7<br>50 | <sup>11</sup> Be<br>1.5E6<br>58 | <sup>12</sup> Be<br>2.8E5<br>60 |                                 | <sup>14</sup> Be<br>3.0E3<br>63 |                                |                                |
| <sup>6</sup> Li                | <sup>7</sup> Li                | <sup>8</sup> Li<br>4.2E6<br>50 | <sup>9</sup> Li<br>8.9E5<br>51  |                                 | <sup>11</sup> Li<br>3.3E3<br>60 |                                 |                                 |                                |                                |
|                                | <sup>6</sup> He<br>2.1E6<br>51 |                                | <sup>8</sup> He<br>1.8E4<br>51  |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                |                                |

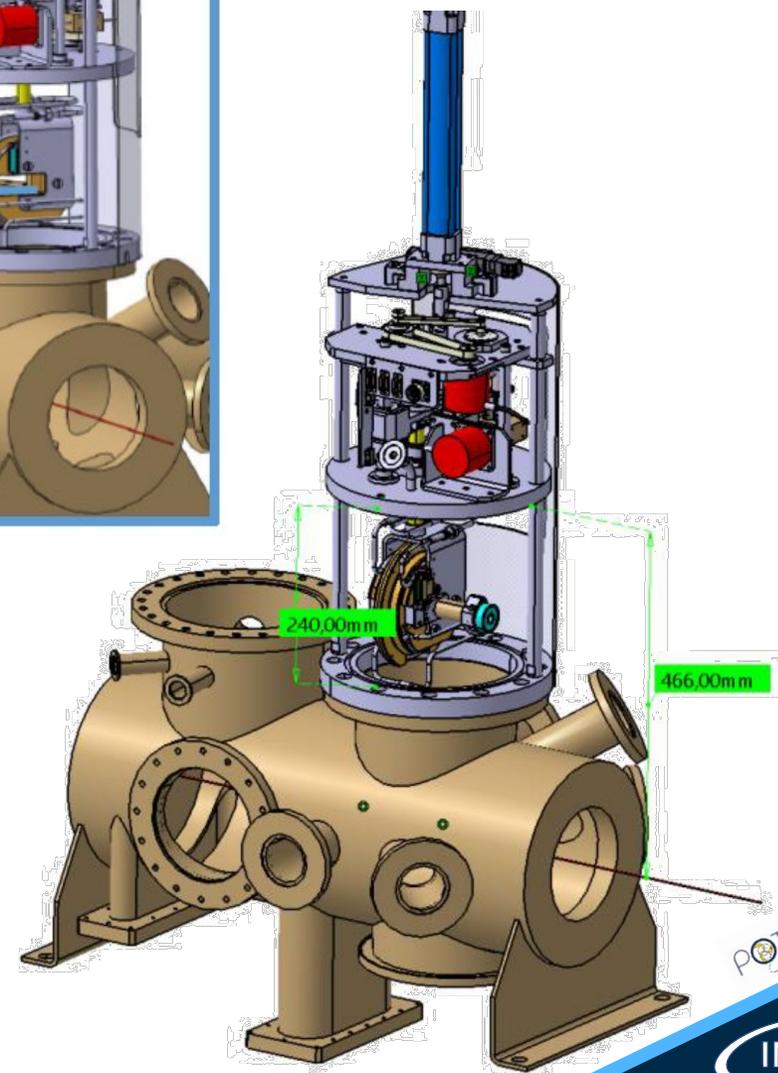
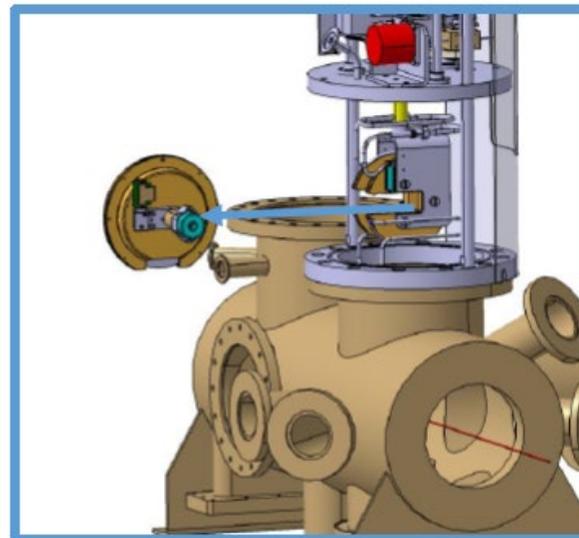
Expected yield (pps)  
Energy at the exit slit (AMeV)



# CLIM target (from GANIL)

## Specifications

- Material target: Beryllium or Carbon ;
- Thickness : 100 to 1500  $\mu\text{m}$  ;
- Max beam power : 3kW ;
- Max beam power deposited in target : **500 W** ;
- Beam spot size :  $\sigma = 0.5 \text{ mm}$  ;  $\rightarrow \text{ } \varnothing \text{ beam at } \pm 3 \sigma = 3\text{mm.}$
- $\varnothing$  target 150mm
- $\varnothing$  impact of the beam on the target :  $\varnothing 136\text{mm}$  (nominal) ( $\varnothing 130\text{mm}$  to  $\varnothing 147\text{mm}$ ).
- Target rotation speed : 2000tr/min
- Vacuum level :  $10^{-6}$  mbar
- Tilting angle from  $0^\circ$  to  $40^\circ$ .



## TimeLine

| 1 <sup>st</sup> test at LNS | Mounting and set-up in FraSe line | Commsioning with upagred CS beams |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ≈ March 2023                | ≈ Jun 2023                        | ≈ Jan 2024                        |

## CLIM target (from GANIL)

### Specifications

- Material target: Beryllium or Carbon ;
- Thickness : 100 to 1500  $\mu\text{m}$  ;
- Max beam power : 3kW ;
- Max beam power deposited in target : **500 W** ;
- Beam spot size :  $\sigma = 0.5 \text{ mm}$  ;  $\rightarrow \text{ } \varnothing \text{ beam at } \pm 3 \sigma = 3 \text{ mm}$ .
- $\varnothing$  target 150mm
- $\varnothing$  impact of the beam on the target :  $\varnothing$  136mm (nominal) ( $\varnothing$  130mm to  $\varnothing$  147mm).
- Target rotation speed : 2000tr/min
- Vacuum level :  $10^{-6}$  mbar
- Tilting angle from  $0^\circ$  to  $40^\circ$ .



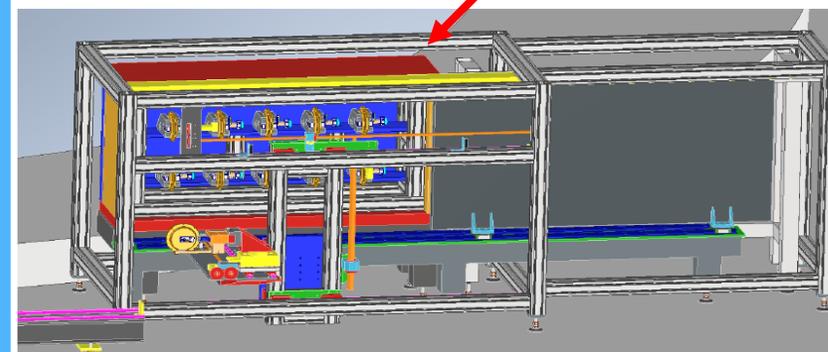
### TimeLine

| 1 <sup>st</sup> test at LNS | Mounting and set-up in FraiSe line | Commsioning with upagred CS beams |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ≈ March 2023                | ≈ Jun 2023                         | ≈ Jan 2024                        |

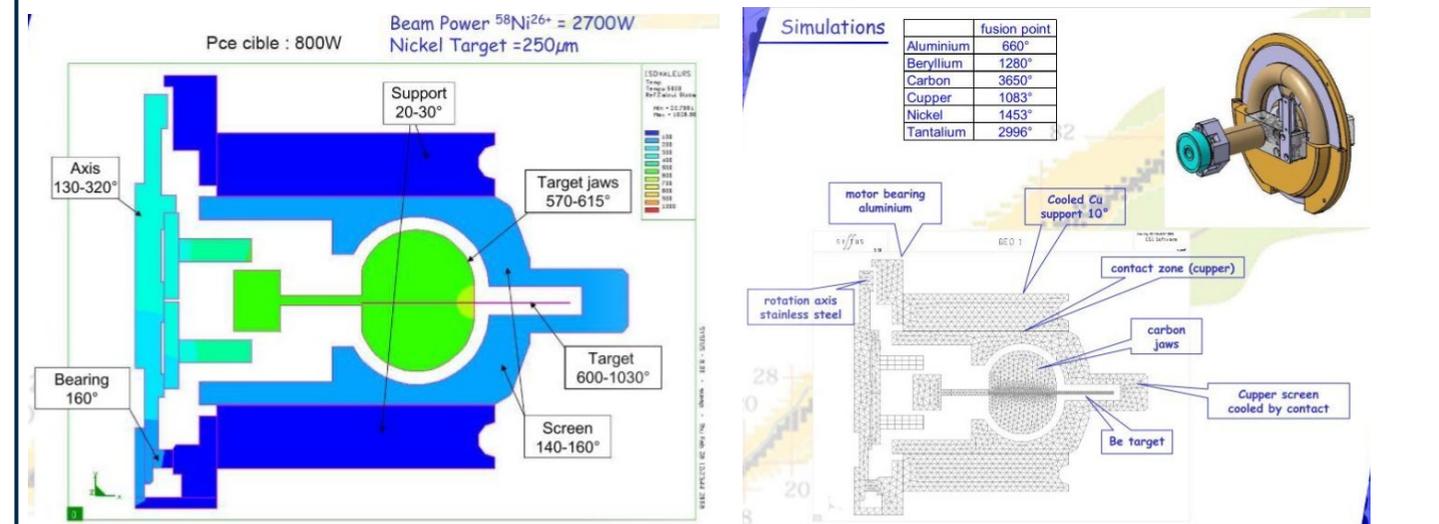
### CLIM target: more details



### Automated system for targets storage and change



### Thermal simulations



POTline





## WG: Innovative targets for new production facilities

Stefano Corradetti, Alberto Andrighetto, Mattia Manzolaro, Michele Ballan, Alberto Monetti, Lisa Centofante, Giordano Lilli, Daniele Scarpa (INFN-LNL)  
Sara Carturan (University of Padova, DFA)  
Alice Zanini, Giorgia Franchin, Paolo Colombo (University of Padova, DII)  
Lisa Biasetto (University of Padova, DTG)  
Francesca Servadei, Diletta Sciti, Laura Silvestroni, Luca Zoli (CNR-ISSMC)



Michele Ballan (INFN-LNL), Elisa Vettorato (INFN-LNL and Padova University), Luca Morselli (INFN-LNL)  
Nicola Realdon, Francesca Mastrotto (Padova University)  
Marcello Lunardon (INFN-PD and University of Padova)



Sara Cisternino, Juan Esposito, Gaia Pupillo, Liliana Mou, Gabriele Sciacca, Giorgio Keppel, Oscar Azzolini, Mourad El Idrissi (INFN-LNL)  
Alisa Kotliarenko (INFN-LNL and University of Ferrara)  
Lucia De Dominicis (INFN-LNL and University of Padova)  
Petra Martini (University of Ferrara and INFN-FE)



Carbon Porosity Safety Solubility Microchannel Maneagibility  
Carbon Maneagibility  
Microchannel Porosity Mechanical strenght  
**High power dissipation**  
Safety Automatzation High power dissipation  
Safety Automatzation High power dissipation  
Mechanical strenght  
Chemical purity Automatzation  
Mechanical strenght Maneagibility Chemical purity



Pierfrancesco Mastinu,  
Alberto Monetti,  
Elizabeth Musacchio-Gonzalez (INFN-LNL)  
Jeffery Wyss (University of Cassino and Southern Lazio)  
Luca Silvestrin (UNIPD)  
Gianfranco Prete (INFN-LNL)



Paolo Russotto, Antonio Domenico Russo,  
S. Cavallaro, M. Costa, Emanuele Vincenzo Pagano, S. Passarello, S. Pulvirenti (INFN-LNS)  
Nunzia Simona Martorana (INFN-LNS, University of Catania)

# Thanks for your attention