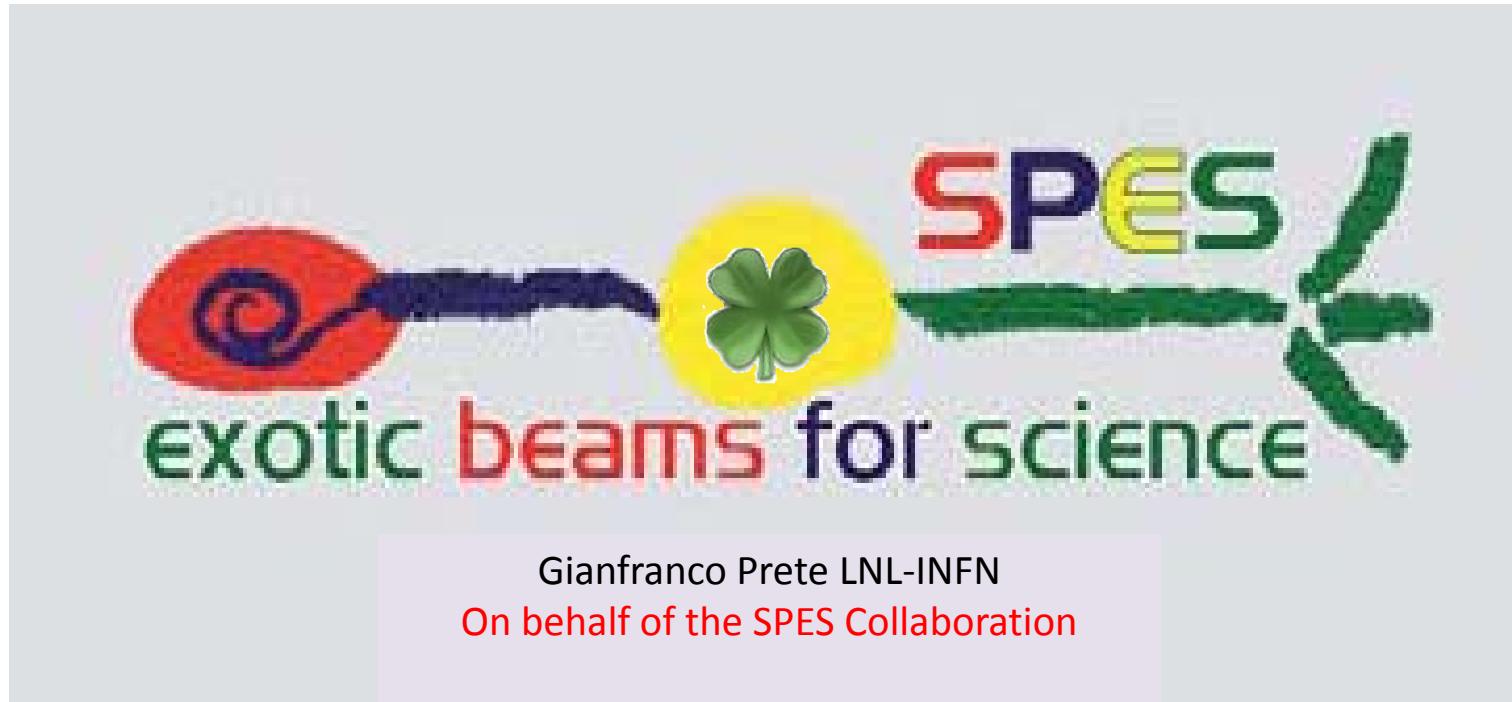




# SPES Project

Selective Production of Exotic Species



**EURORIB'12**

Abano Terme (Italy), 20-25 May 2012

# SPES facility goals @ LNL

Selective Production of Exotic Species

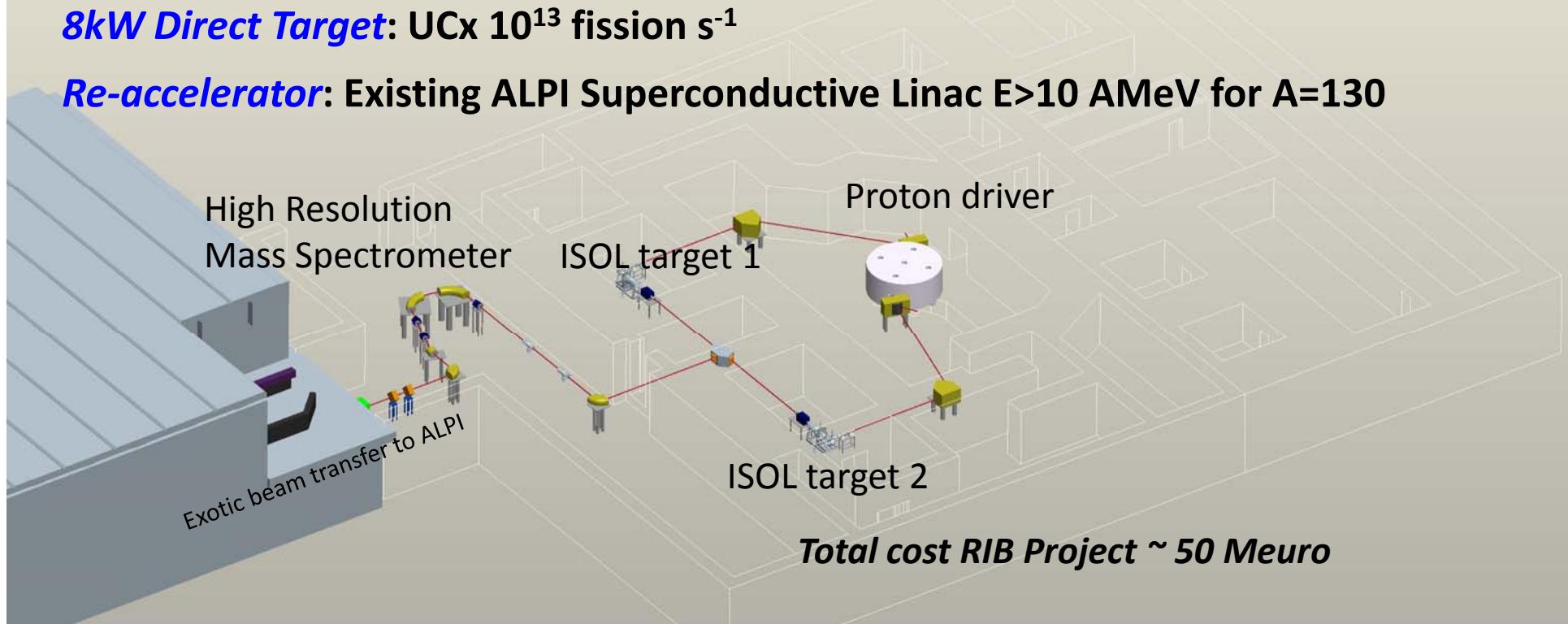
- second generation ISOL facility for re-accelerated neutron-rich ion beams
- interdisciplinary multi-user research center

## ISOL BEAM FACILITY

**Primary Beam:** 750  $\mu$ A, 70 MeV protons from a 2 exit ports New Cyclotron

**8kW Direct Target:** UCx  $10^{13}$  fission  $s^{-1}$

**Re-accelerator:** Existing ALPI Superconductive Linac E>10 AMeV for A=130



# SPES strategy

Selective Production of Exotic Species

- secondaries
- interplay

The project is divided in four phases providing an efficient use of the proton driver beam.

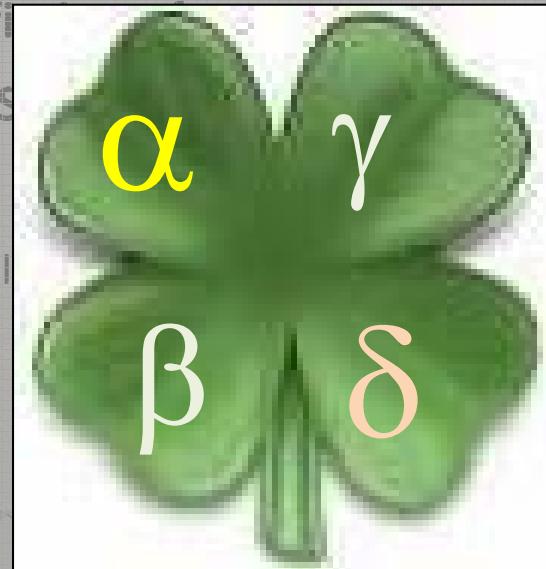
beams

## Exotic nuclei

ISOL facility for Neutron rich nuclei by U fission  $10^{13}$  f/s

high purity beam  
Reacceleration up to  
 $\geq 10$  MeV/u

INFN priority. Phase alpha:funded  
Phase beta: applied for special funding



ISOL target 2

## Applications

Proton and neutron facility for applied physics

Radioisotopes production & Medical applications

In collaboration with others research and commercial partners

*Total cost RIB Project ~ 50 Meuro*

*Evaluated cost of application facility ~ 30 Meuro*



# ISOL Roadmap in EUROPE

TODAY Generation 1

$10^{12}$  fission/s,  
2 MeV/n (A=130)

Effective Mass resolution 1/4000

SPIRAL - **GANIL**



2014-2025 Generation 2

$10^{13-14}$  fission/s  
10 MeV/n (A=130)

Effective Mass  
resolution 1/20000



**EURISOL**

FROM 2025

>  $10^{15}$  fission/s  
100 MeV/n (A=130)  
Mass resolution 1/20000

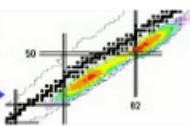
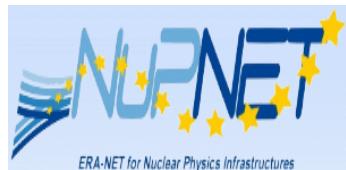
# Second generation ISOL facilities in Europe (UCx target)

Production and study of neutron-rich nuclei

	Primary beam	Power on target	UCx target	Fission s-1	Reaccelerator	Nominal energy AMeV A=130
HIE ISOLDE upgrade	p 1-1.4 GeV - 2 $\mu$ A	0.8 kW	Direct (150g)	<b>4·10<sup>12</sup></b>	SC Linac	5-10
SPIRAL2	d 40 MeV 5mA	200 kW	Converter (4000g)	<b>10<sup>13</sup></b> 10 <sup>14</sup>	CIME Cyclotron	5
SPES	p 40 MeV 200 $\mu$ A	8 kW	Direct (30g)	<b>10<sup>13</sup></b>	ALPI SC Linac	10

Synergy & complementarity will offer to the European nuclear physics community up-to date facilities to improve the knowledge of nuclei

# European actions and MoU



Associate European Laboratory (LEA-COLLIGA)



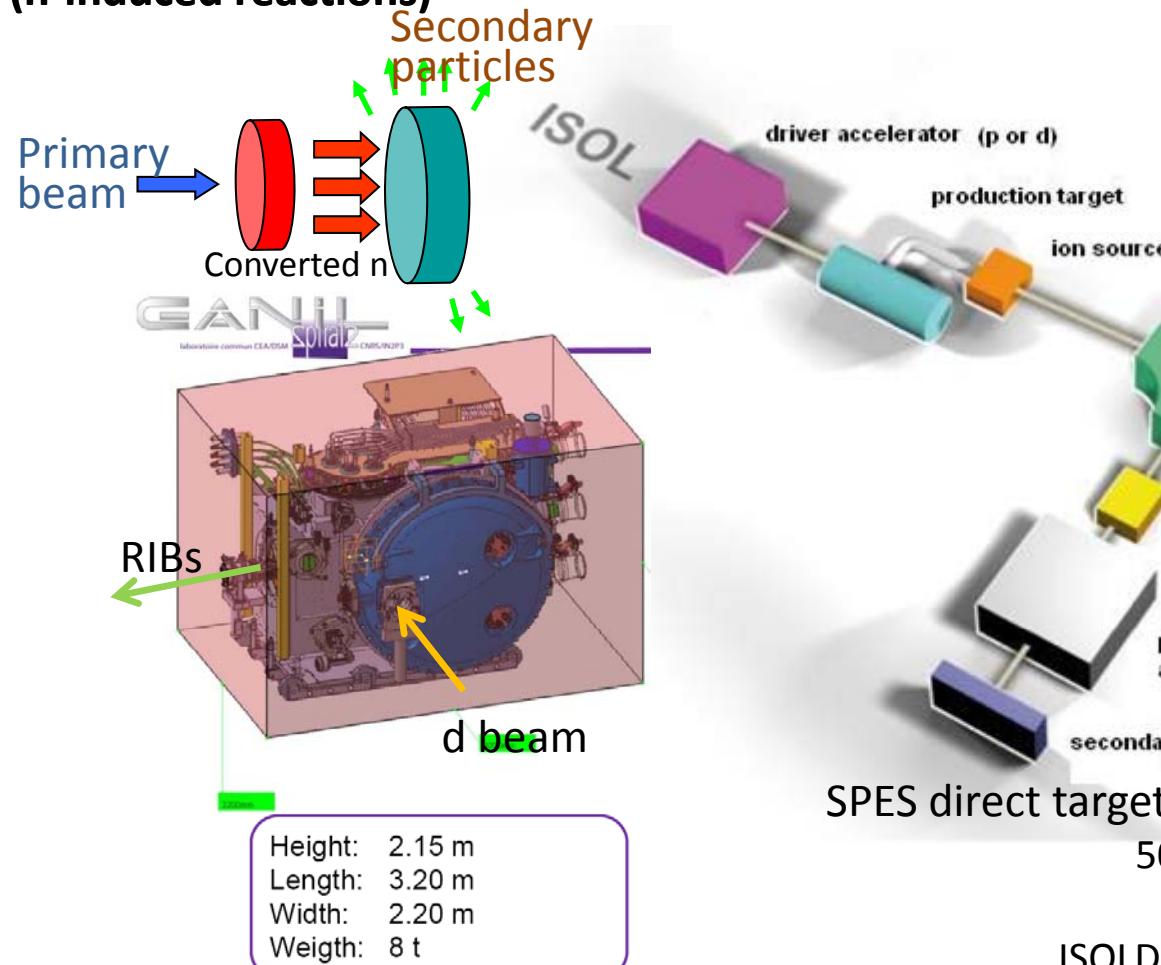
Memorandum of Understanding with Ganil and Isolde

Physics programs  
Experimental techniques  
ISOL technology  
Target-ion sources  
RIB selection & handling  
Superconductive LINAC  
Vacuum  
Safety

Collaboration agreement K1699/PH between INFN and CERN concerning scientific collaboration for the benefit of the SPES beam facility at INFN and the ISOLDE experiment at CERN

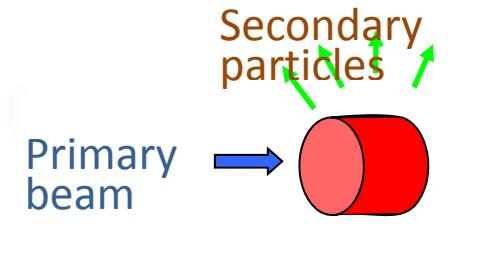
# Radioactive Ion Beams: ISOL production methods

## 2 step High Power target (n-induced reactions)

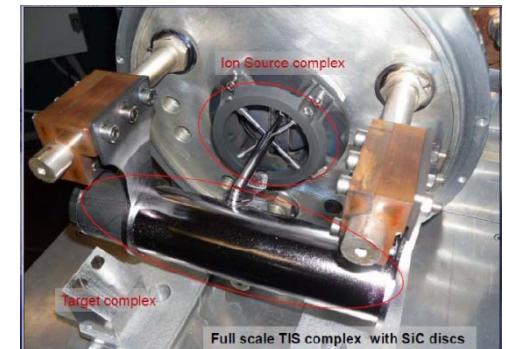


Decoupling the power of  
the driver beam from the  
RIB production target

## Direct target Proton –induced reactions

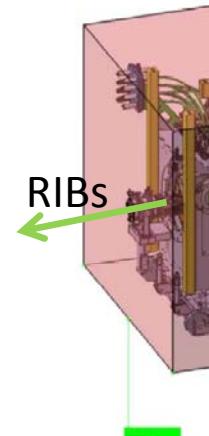
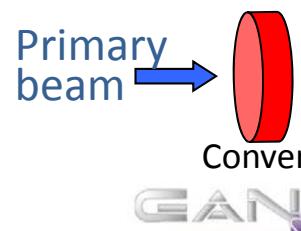


SPES direct target-ion source  
50x50x50 cm<sup>3</sup>  
25 kg  
ISOLDE-type target



# Radioactive Ion Beams: ISOL production methods

**2 step target**  
**(n-induced reactions)**



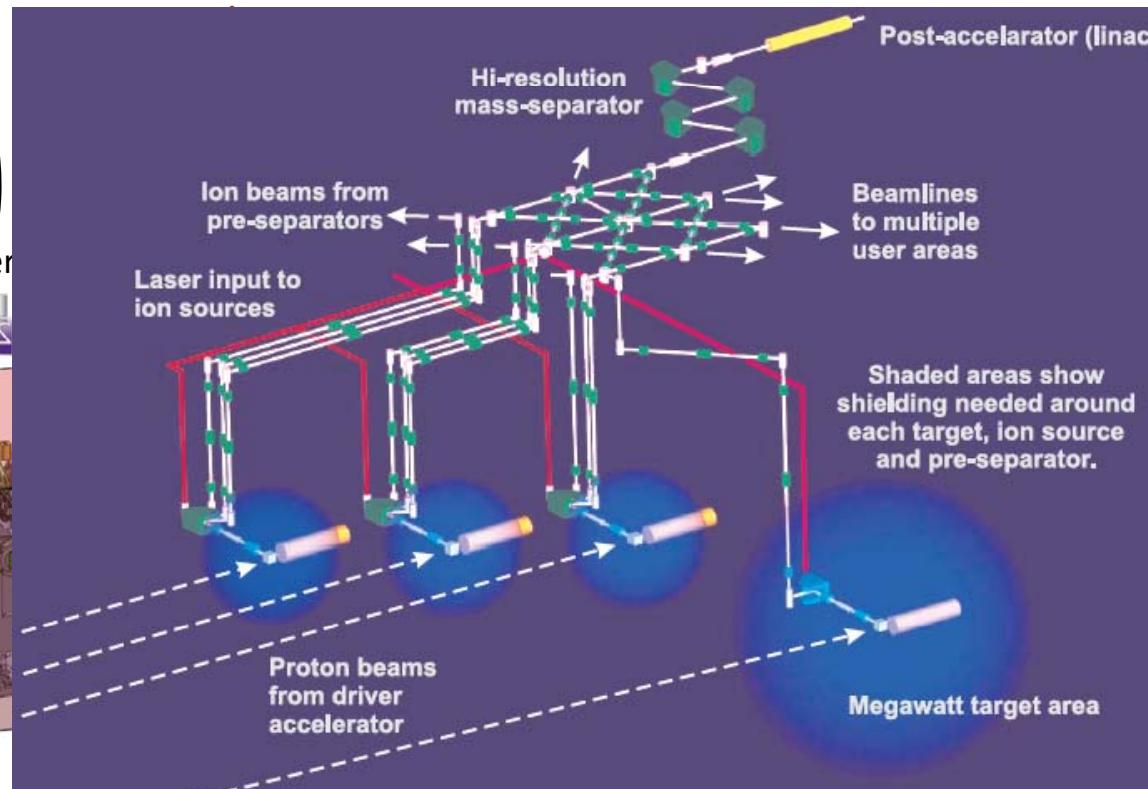
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Weigth:	8

3x 100 kW  
1x 5 MW

Direct targets  
2-step target

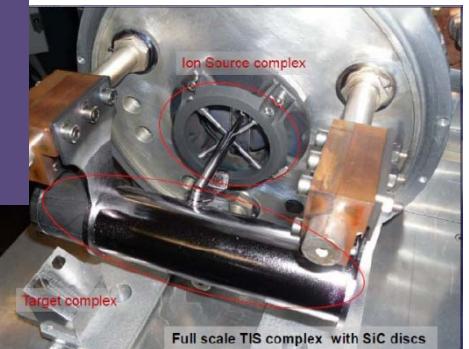
# EURISOL

**Direct target**  
**Proton –induced reactions**



HESOLDE

SPES



# SPES collaboration network

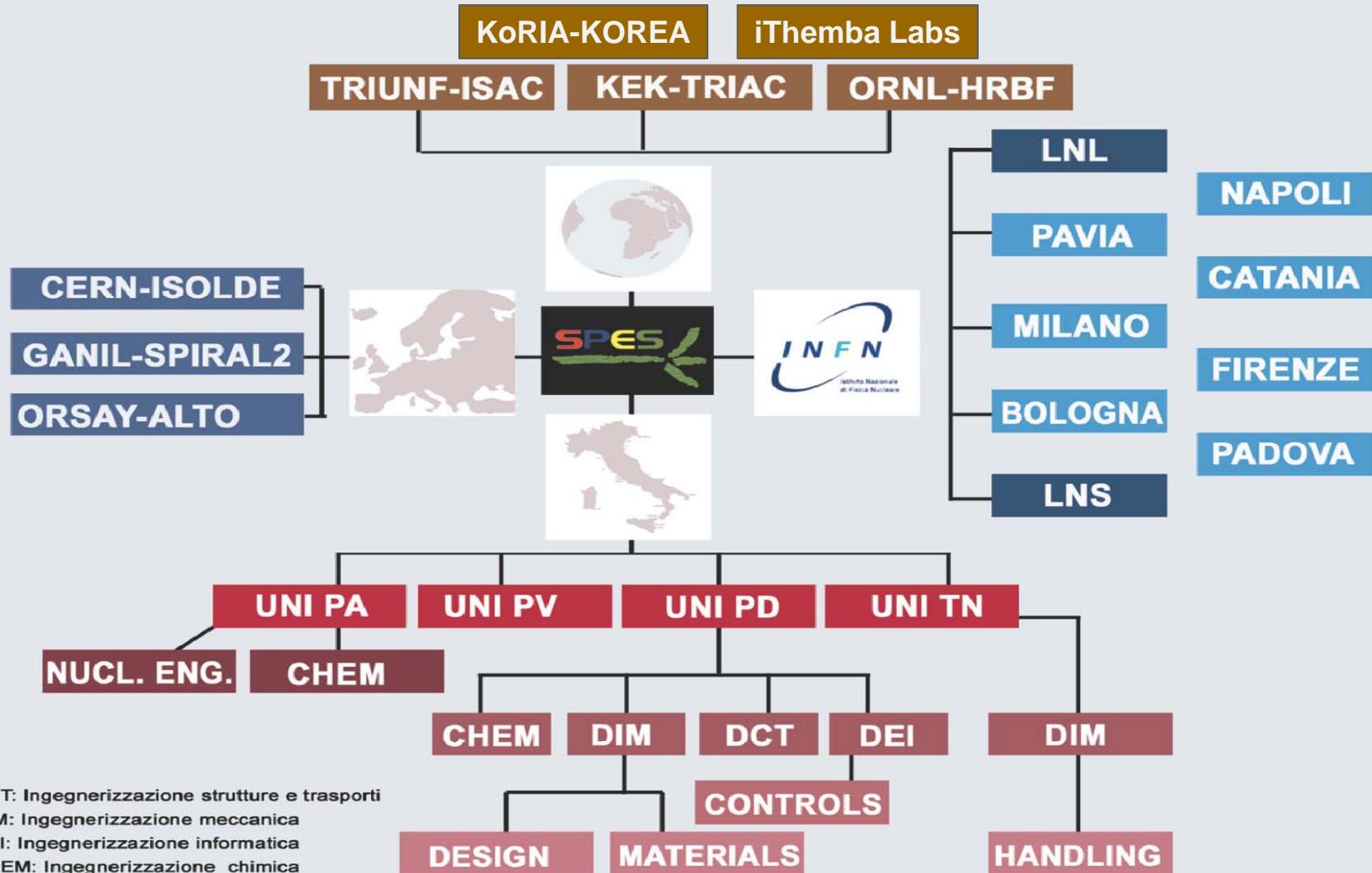


Fig. 3.25: Rete delle collaborazioni di SPES.



# Letters of Intent for SPES

## SPES2010 Workshop

(LNL- November 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2010)

### International collaborations:

Italy  
Bulgaria  
Hungary  
France  
Poland  
Spain  
Great Britain  
Turkey  
USA  
Slovakia  
Romania  
Croatia  
Russia  
India  
Germany  
Canada

## 24 Lol's for reaccelerated exotic beams Nuclear structure and reaction mechanism

### Instrumentation:

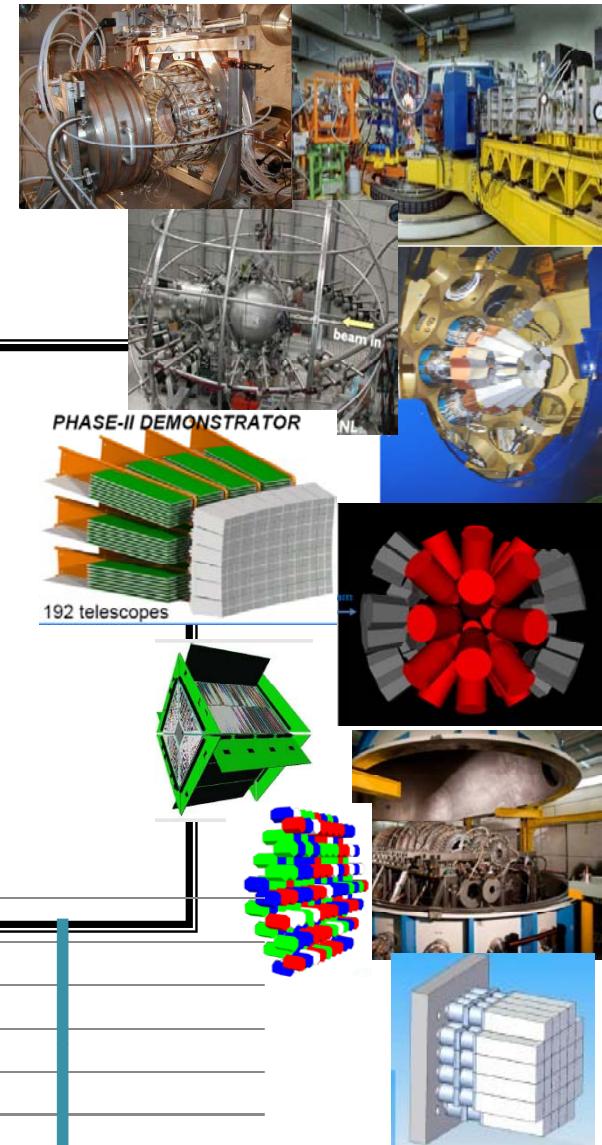
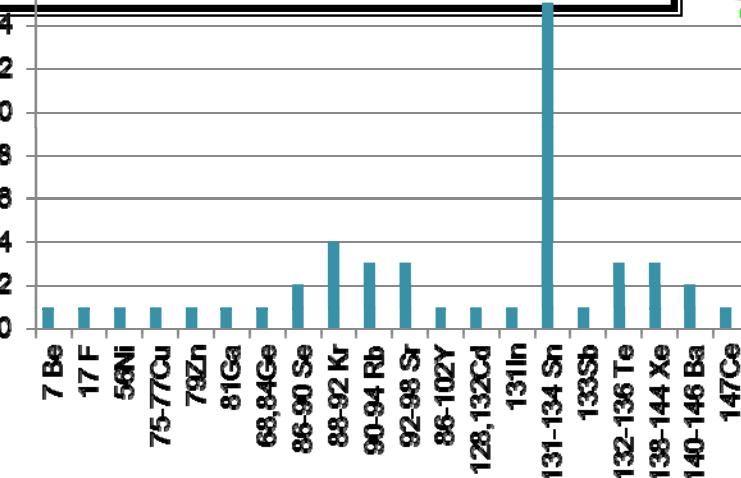
- 1 [GARFIELD](#) Low threshold 4π LCP-Fragment array - [F. Gramegna](#)
- 2 [PRISMA](#) Large acceptance spectrometer - [A.M. Stefanini](#)
- 3 [8PLP](#) 4π LCP-Fission Fragment array - [M. Cinausero](#)
- 4 [RIPEN](#) Neutron array - [M. Cinausero](#)
- 5 [GALILEO](#) γ-array - [C. Ur](#)
- 6 [TRACE](#) Compact LCP array - [D. Mengoni](#)
- 7\* [AGATA](#) High performance γ-array - [E. Farnea](#)
- 8\* [FAZIA](#) High performance LCP-Fragment array - [G. Casini](#)
- 9\* [NEDA](#) New generation neutron array - [J.J. Valiente Dobon](#)
- 10\* [PARIS](#) New generation high energy γ-ray array - [A. Maj](#)
- 11\*\* [CHIMERA](#) Low threshold 4π LCP-Fragment array - [S.Pirrone](#)

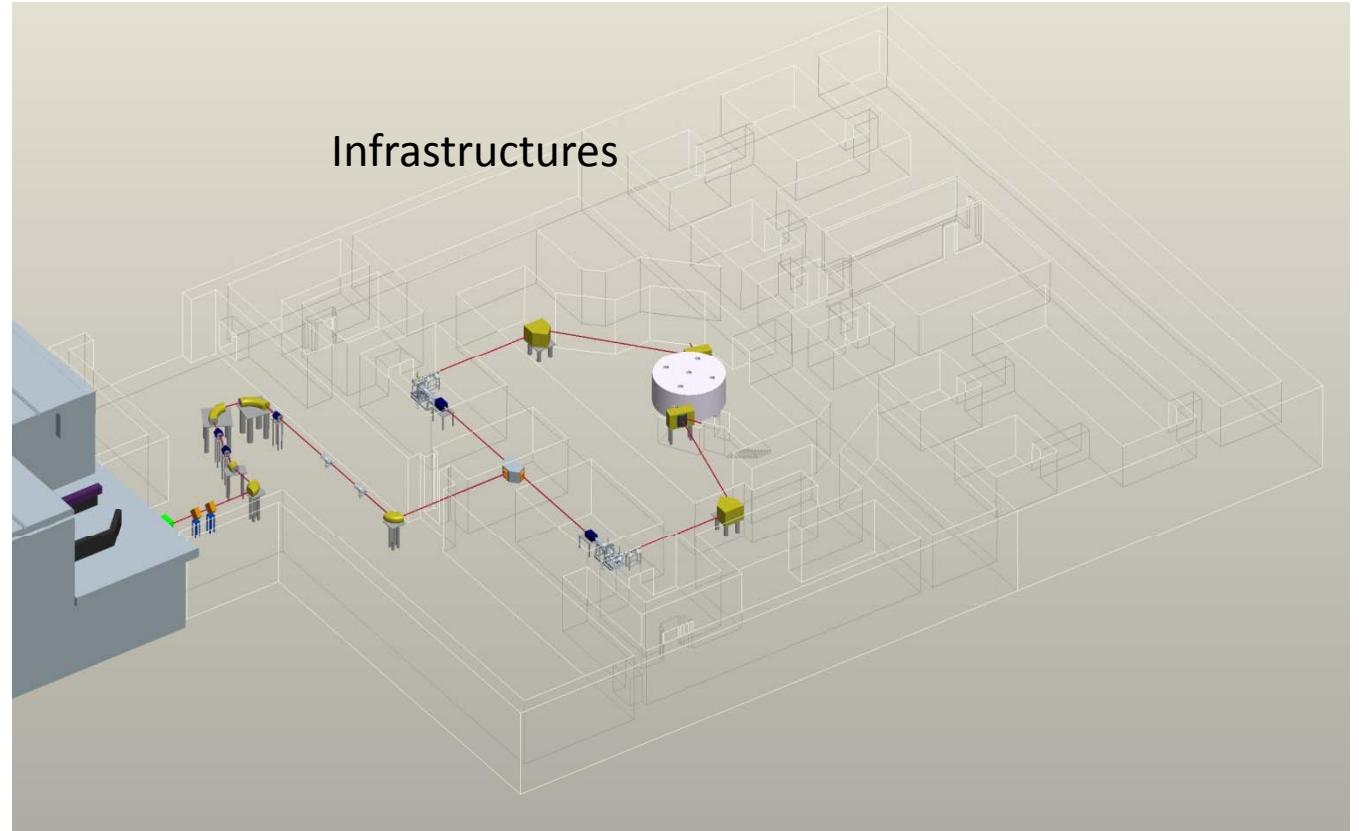
\* SPES&SPIRAL2 collaboration LEA-Colliga

\*\* part of Chimera installed at SPES

**Definition of First Day Experiments:**

- ❖ Scientific priorities
- ❖ Instrumentation development
- ❖ RIB production





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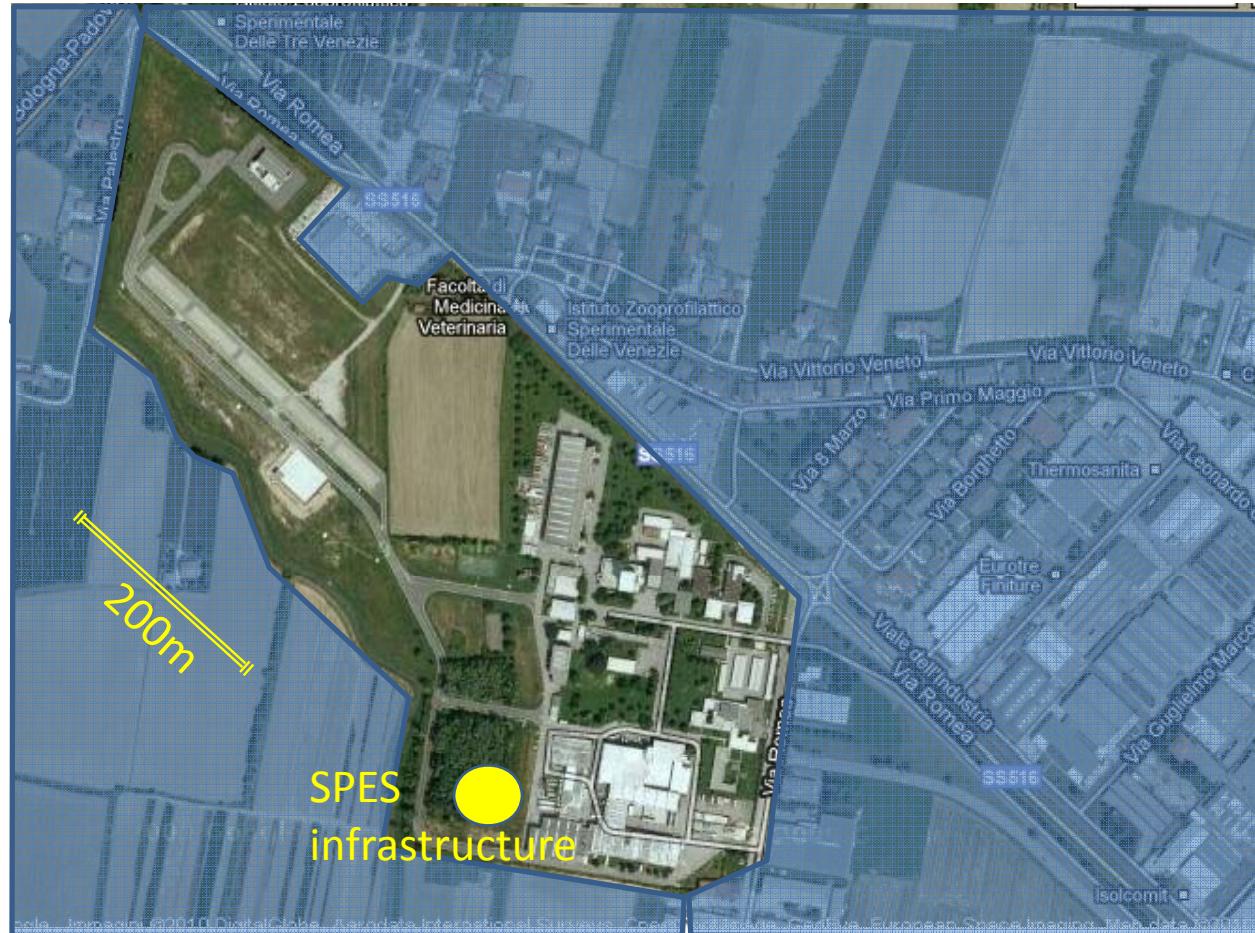
# SPES FACILITY infrastructures

*Bid for construction on the way  
ground breaking expected in Feb 2013*

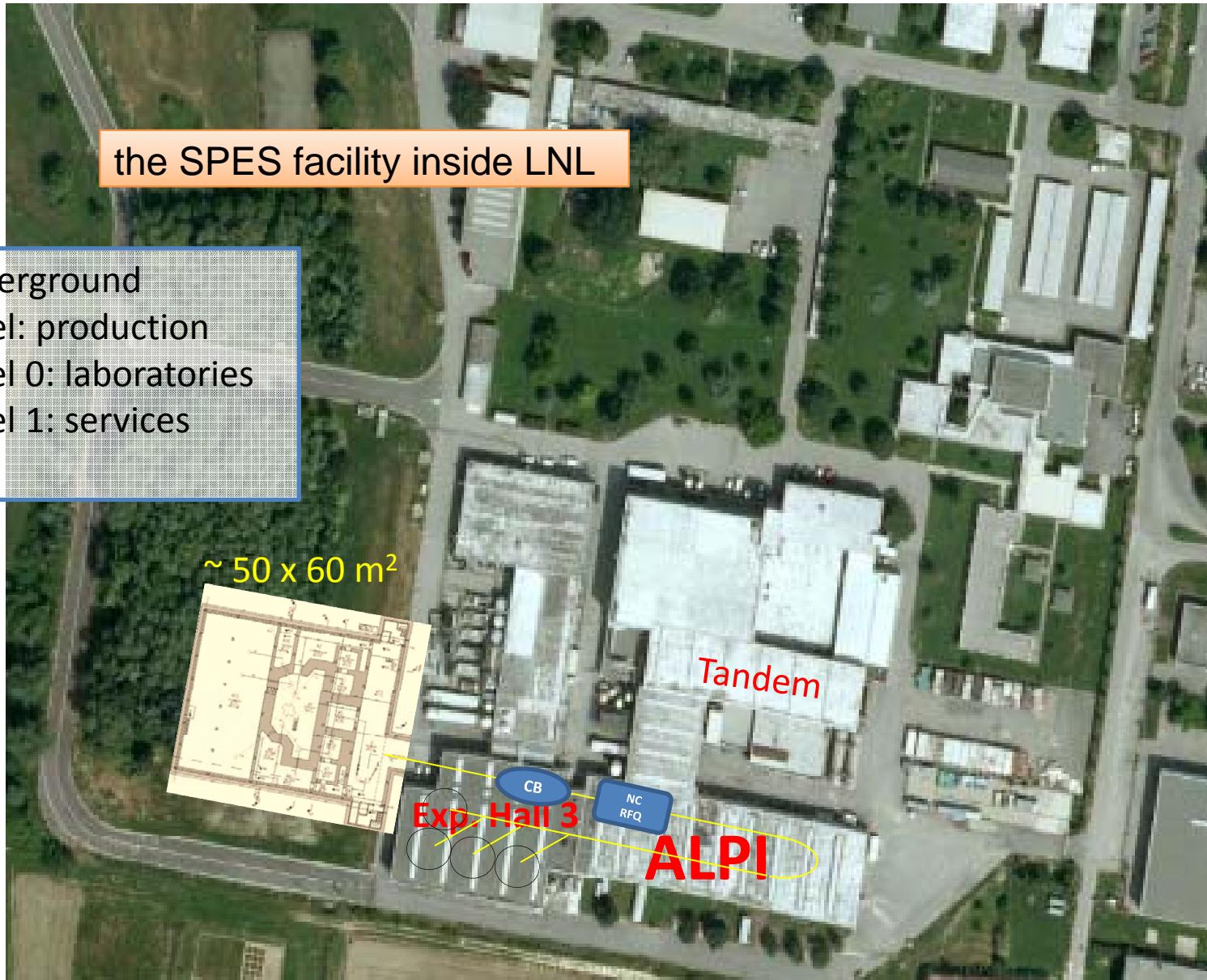
# Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro: site area

More than  
200.000 m<sup>2</sup>

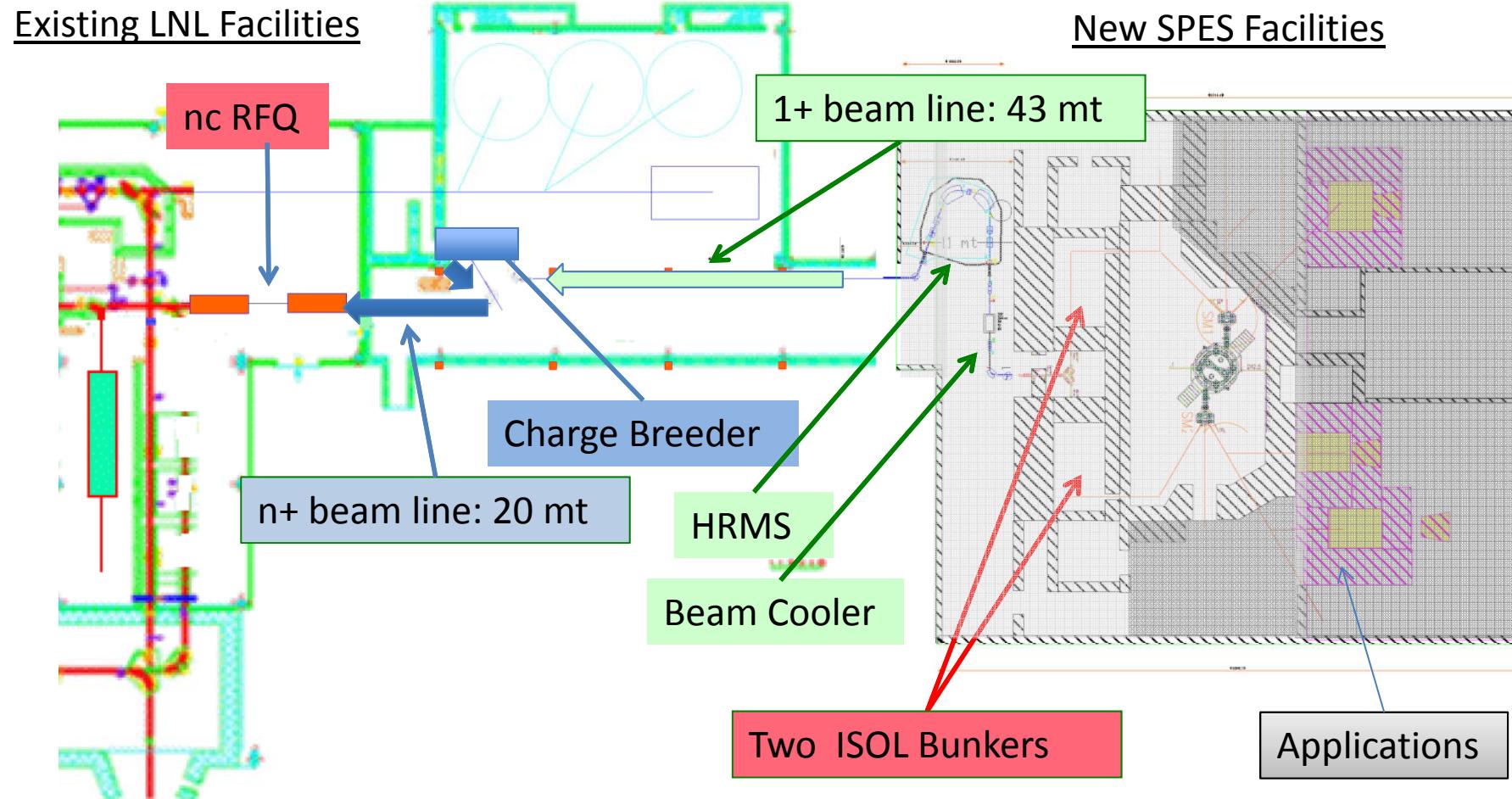
occupied 1/3  
available 2/3



# SPES Facility Layout

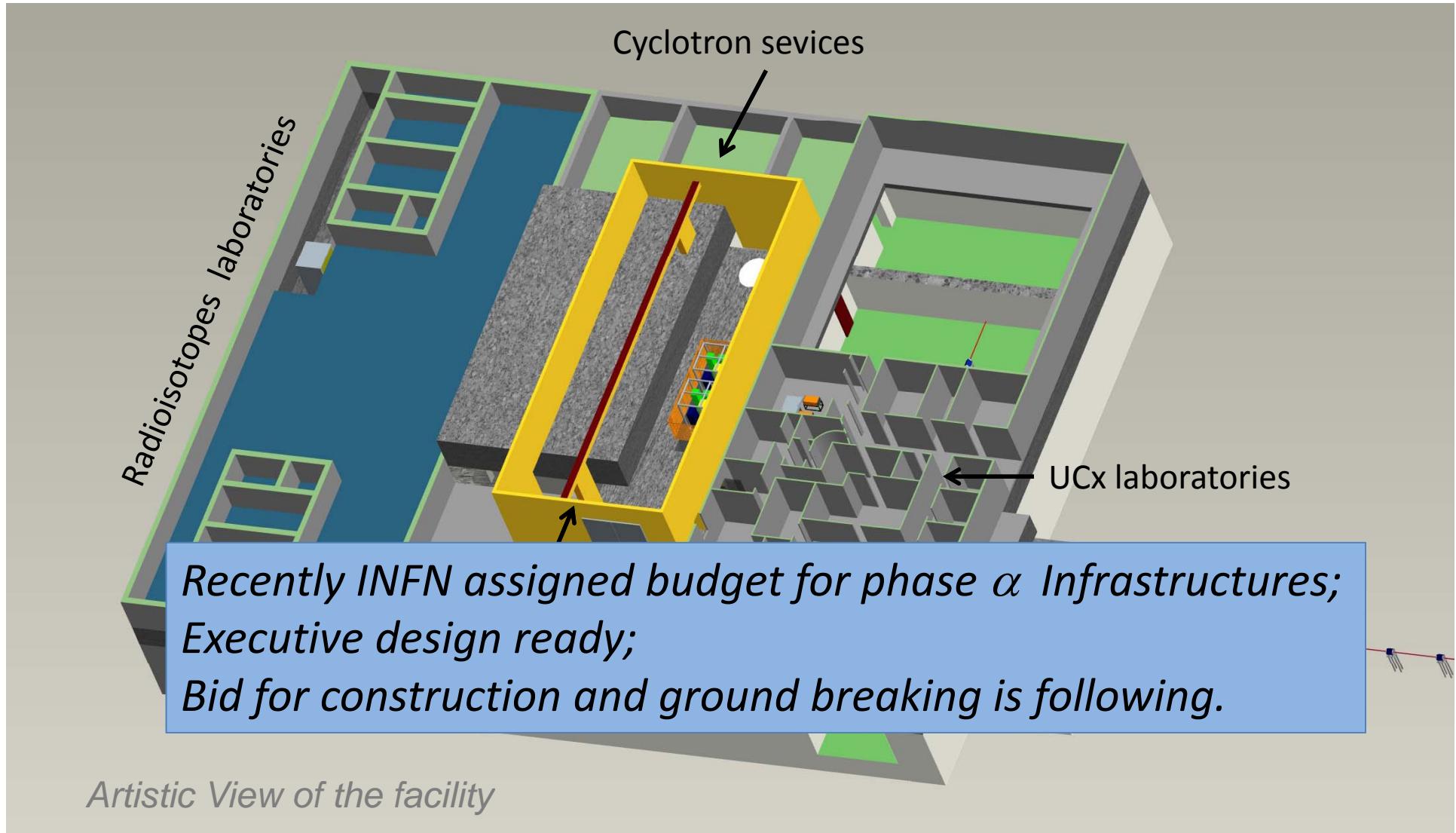


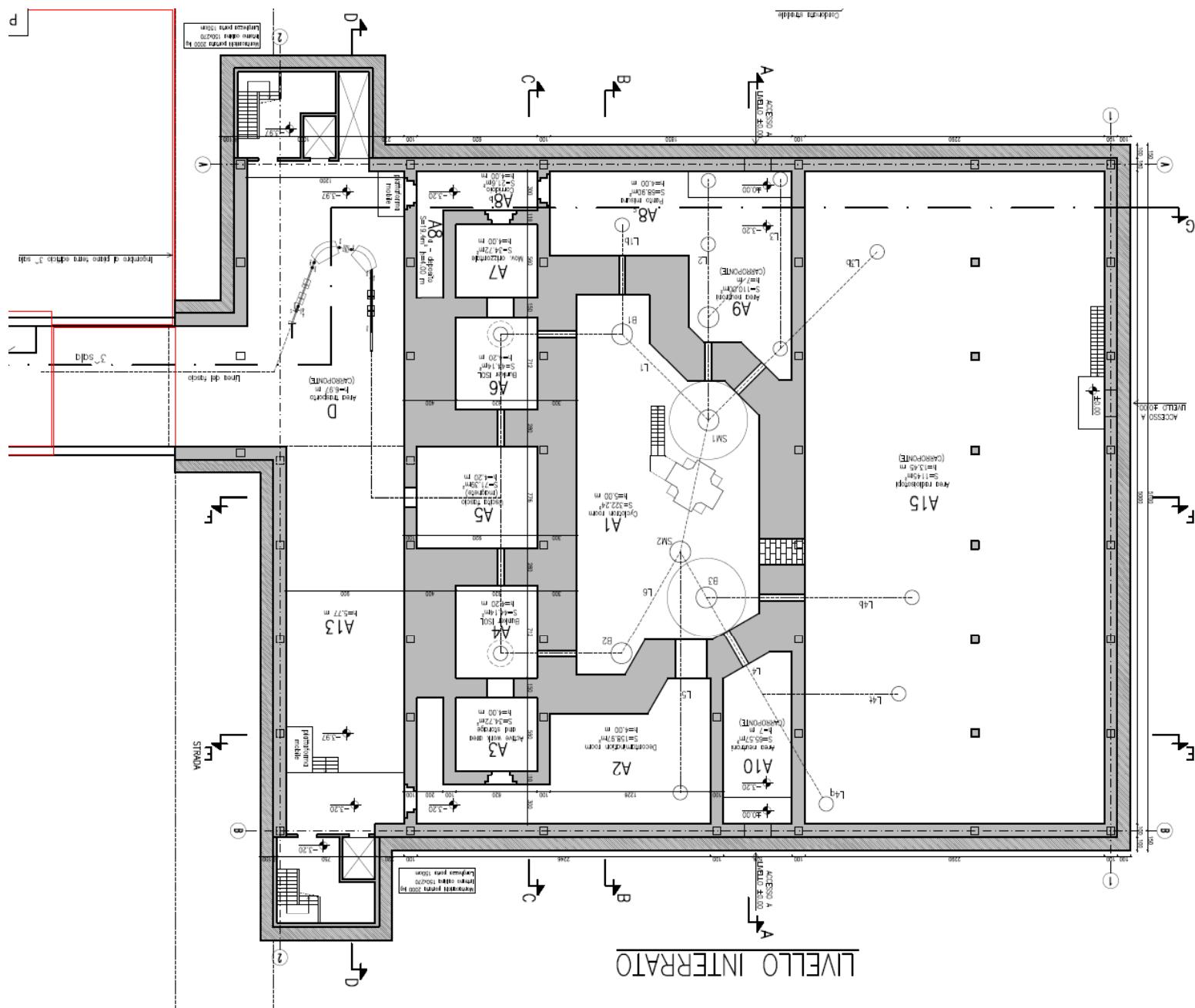
# SPES Reviewed Transport Layout

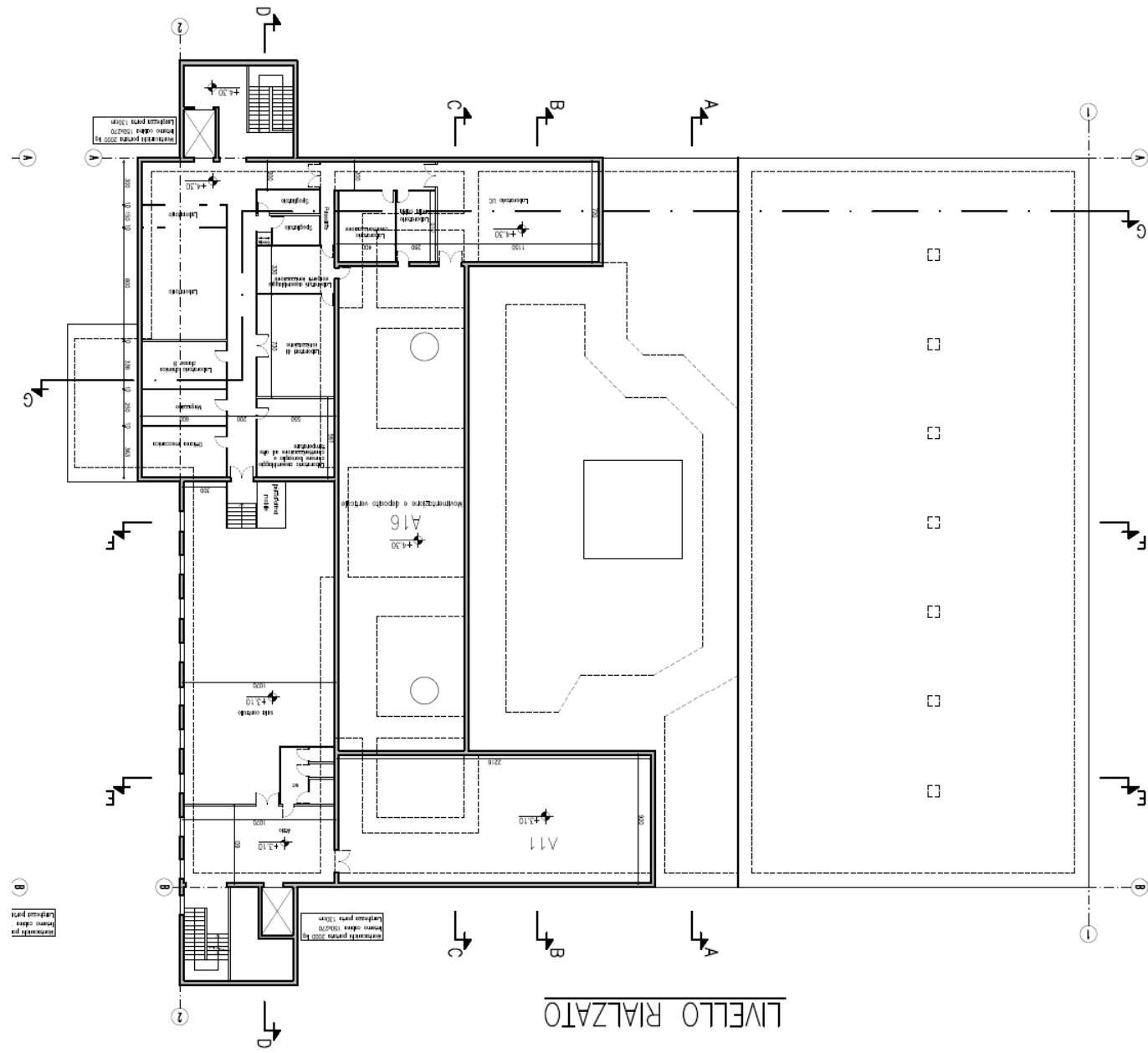


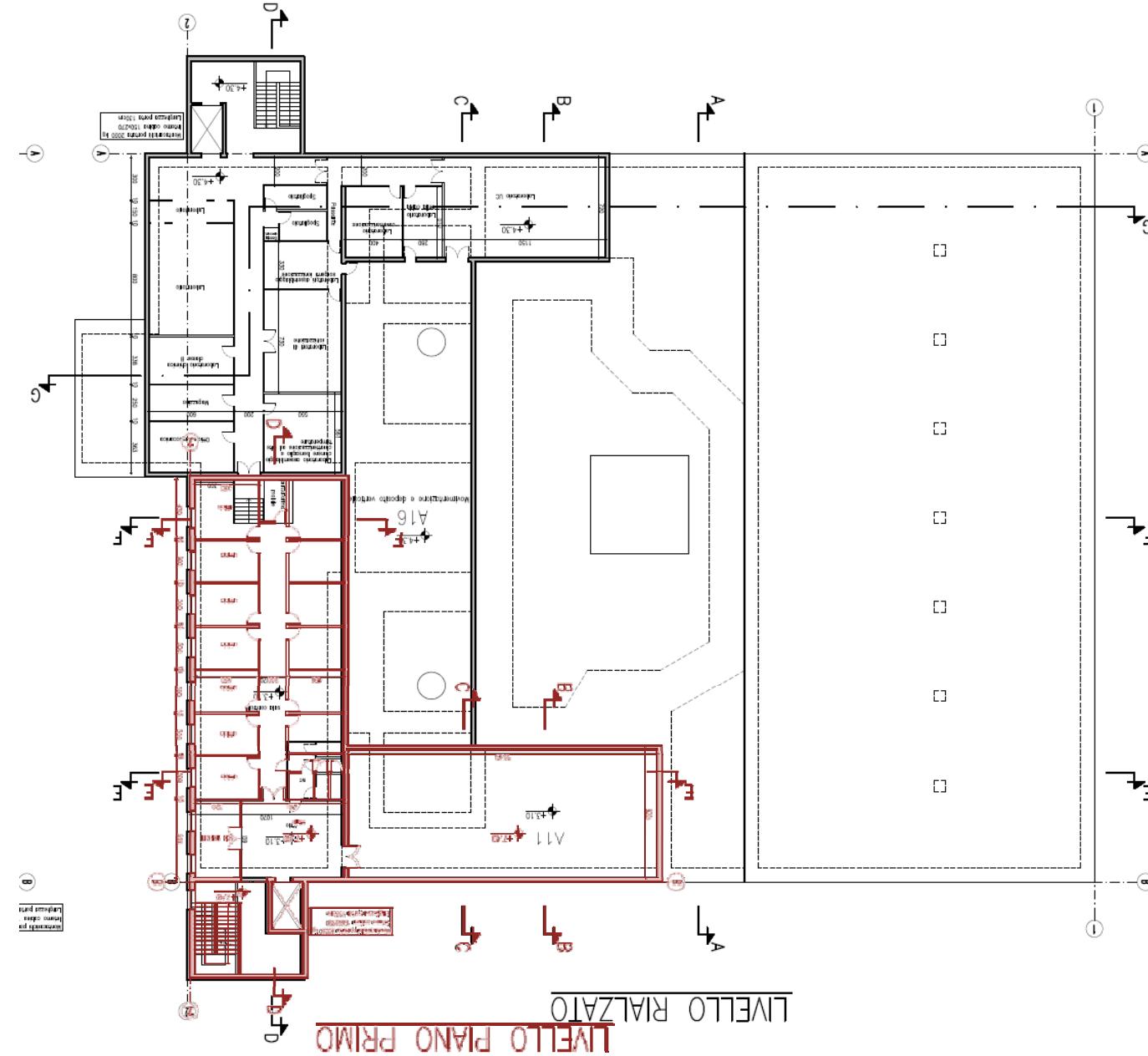
- 1 Cyclo&Target building close to Alpi linac; Charge Breeder placed close to nc-RFQ; Transport of 1+ beam in experimental hall3 allows to set-up RIBs experiments at low energy.
- 2 Pre-acceleration with normal conductive RFQ up to 0.7 AMeV (cover PIAVE energy), injection in ALPI

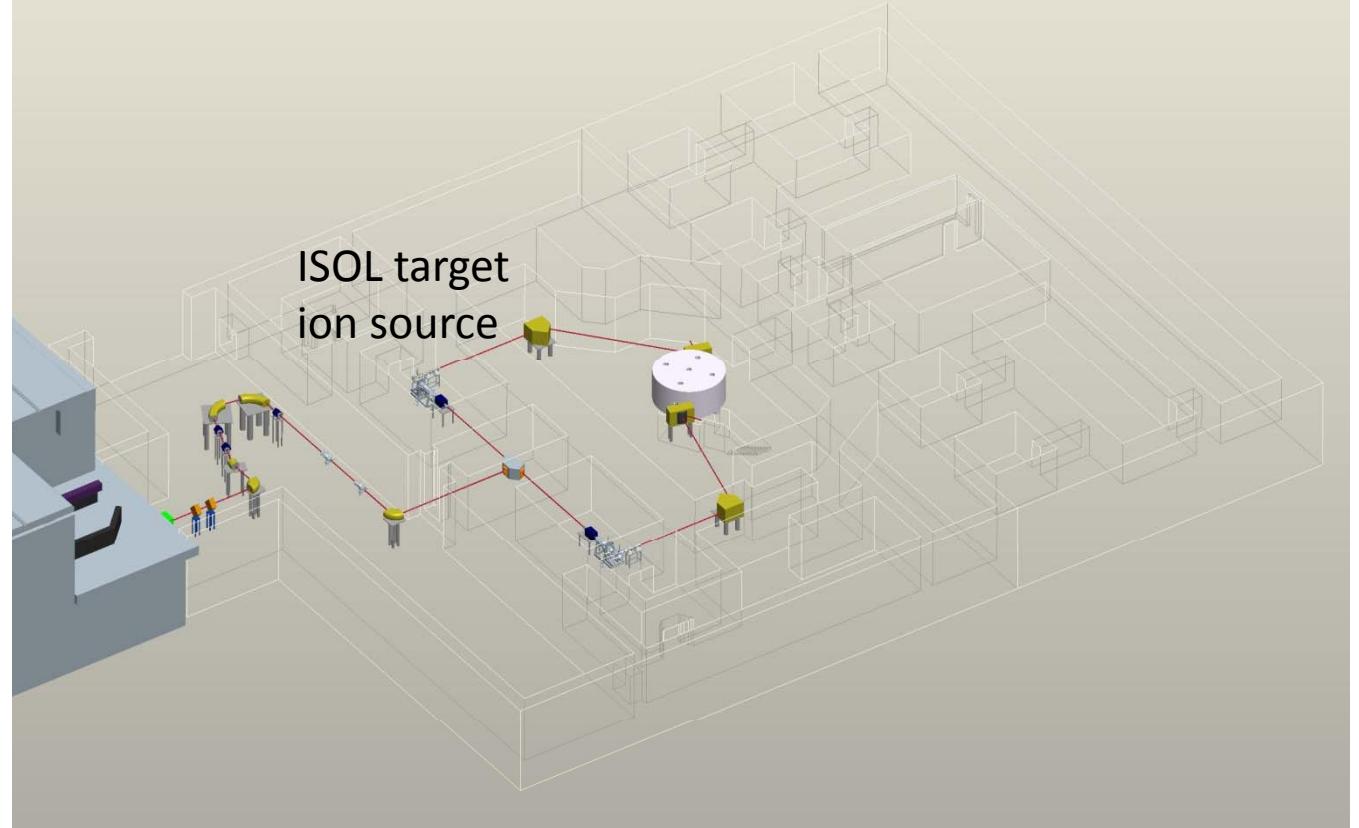
# SPES Layout, Level 0











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# SPES ISOL TARGET-ION-SOURCE

*Target Ion Source Complex under characterization*

# SPES target: operation principle

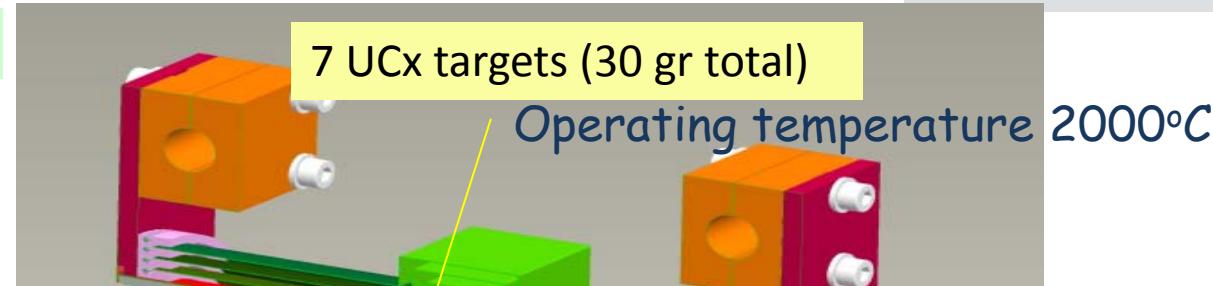
$\sim 200 \mu\text{A} \rightarrow 10^{13}$  fissions/sec

40 MeV  
200 $\mu\text{A}$   
Protons

© 7 UCx SLICES ( $\rho=3 \text{ g/cm}^3$ )  
diameter 4cm  
1.3 mm thick each (30g)  
Power density in UCx = 14

© 3 graphite DUMP  
(slowing down protons with  
fission cross section and high  
density)

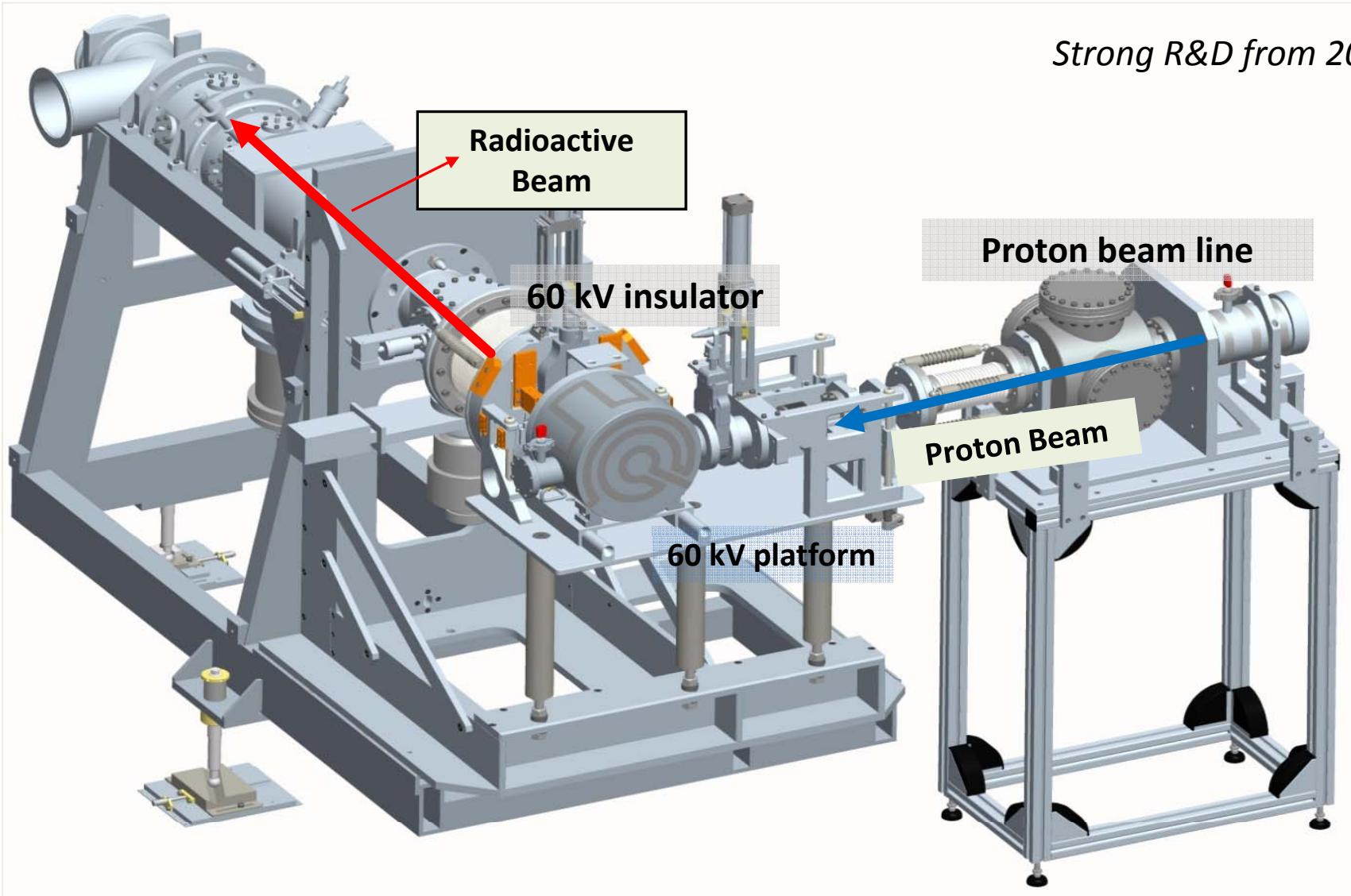
Three parameters to optimise:  
1) a high number of fissions  
2) a careful simulation of the  
target  
3) a fast isotope release



UCx pellets production: 1 mm thick, 40 mm dia

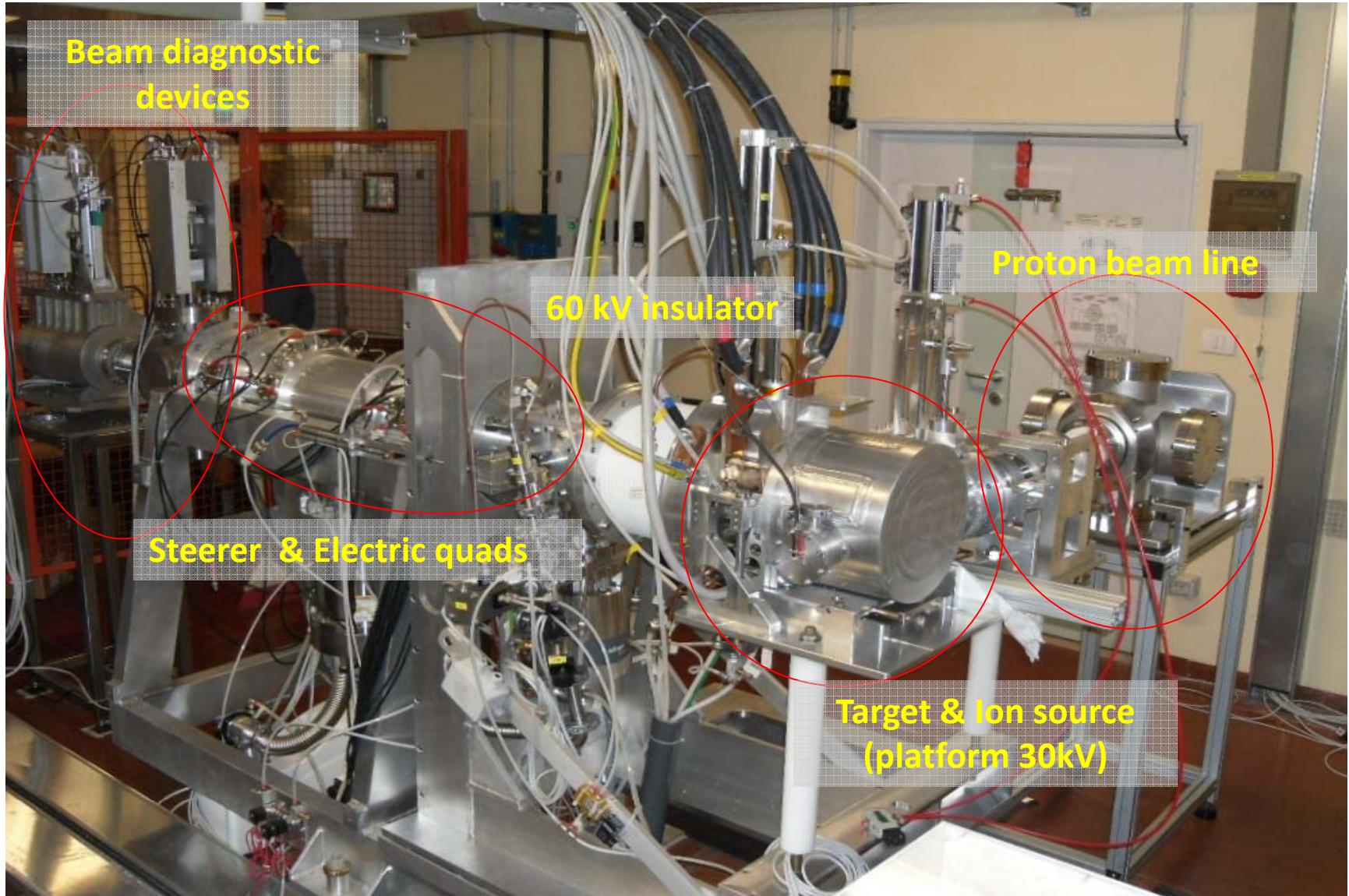
Fig. 5.22: The 40 mm UCx pellet (1 mm thick) after thermal treatment (the average bulk density is about  $3 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ). (see also Fig. 5.23 for the whole target assembly)

# The SPES Front - End

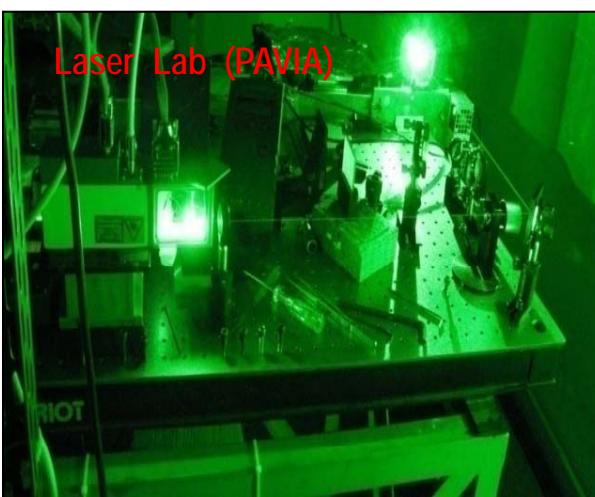
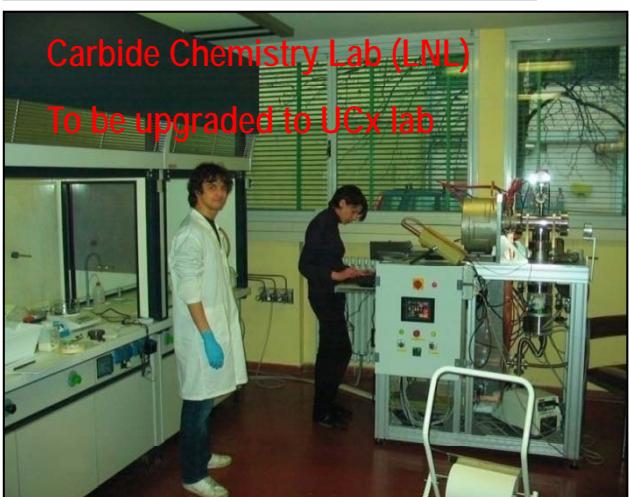
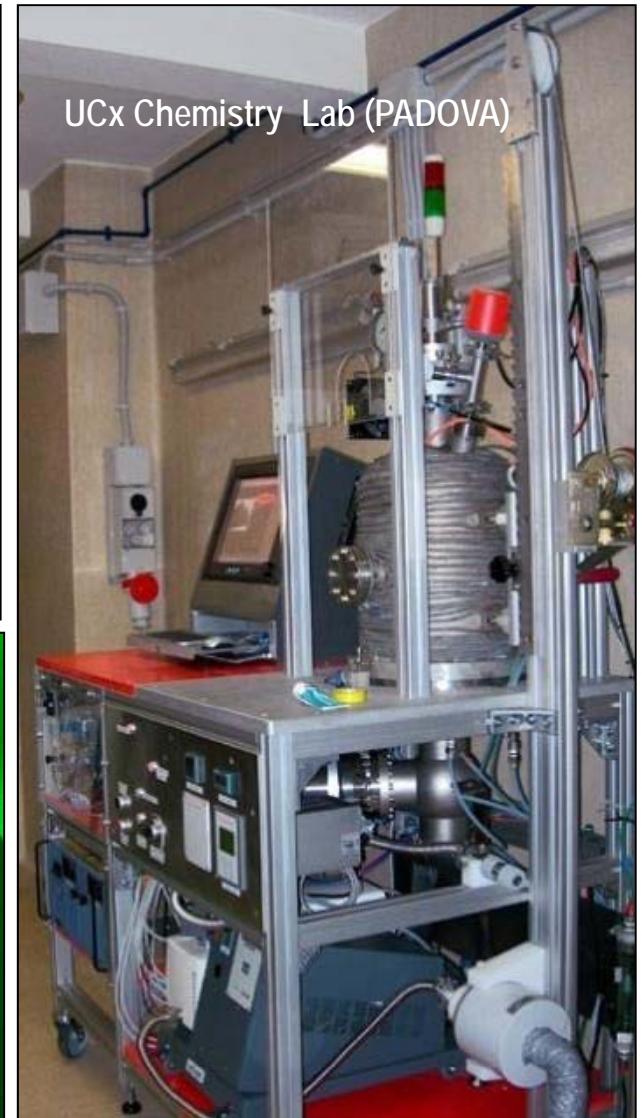
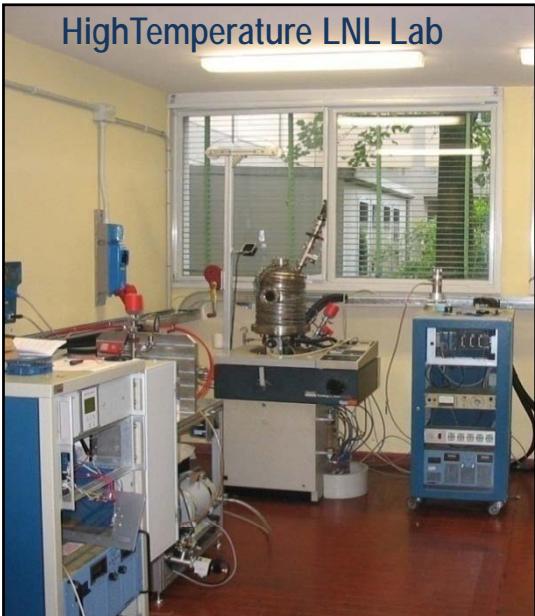


(SPES - ISOLDE collaboration)

# The SPES Front-End is fully operative!



# The ISOL SPES Laboratories



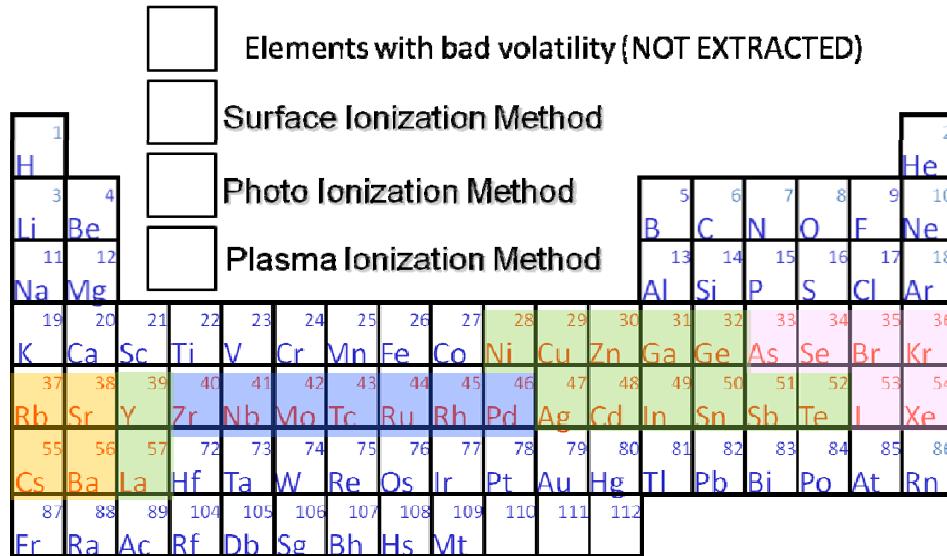
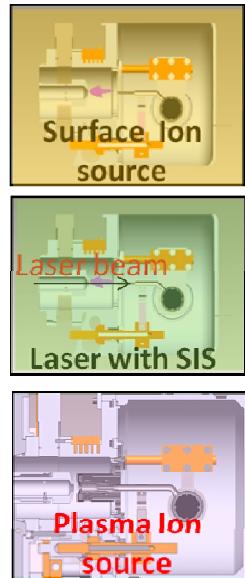
Targets developed for SPES ISOL facility allow to produce a variety of beams in the proton-rich and neutron-rich area

1 H																									2 He
3 Li	4 Be																								
11 Na	12 Mg																								
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 In	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr								
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Ic	53 I	54 Xe								
55 Cs	56 Ba		72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn								
87 Fr	88 Ra																								

## Lanthanides

57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu	
89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr	

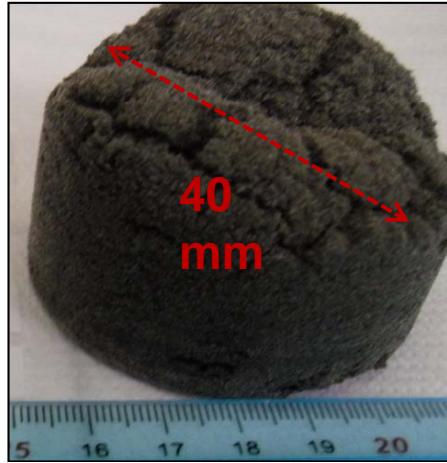
## UCx



Main fission ( $p \rightarrow {}^{238}\text{U}$ ) fragments

The BAD VOLATILITY elements are produced and trapped in the target. These elements are highly required for nuclear medicine applications.

# Target material development



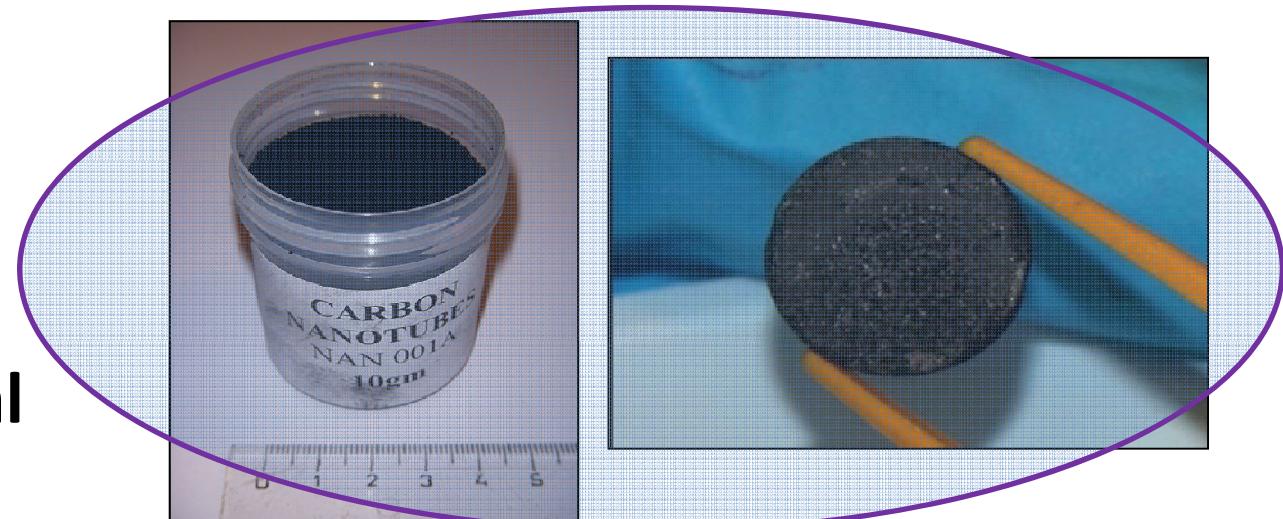
Use of expanding agents  
to create porosity



Burn-out of sacrificial filler  
to create porosity

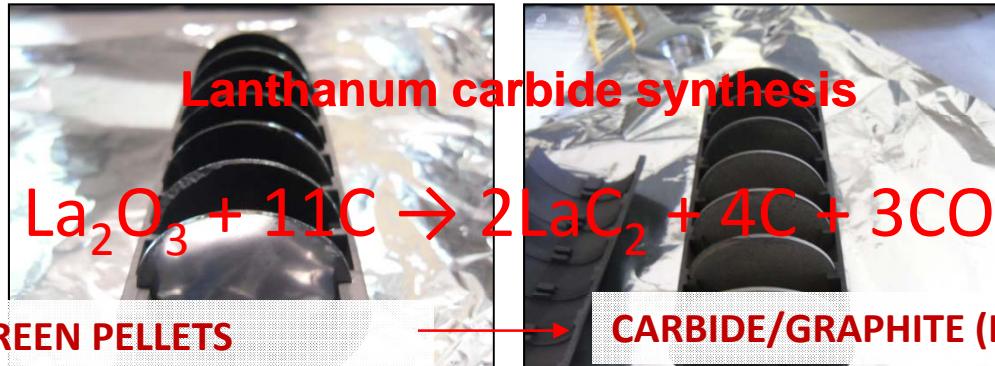
Porous graphite (for effusion tests)  
Produced with two different  
synthetic routes

Advanced  
UCx target material



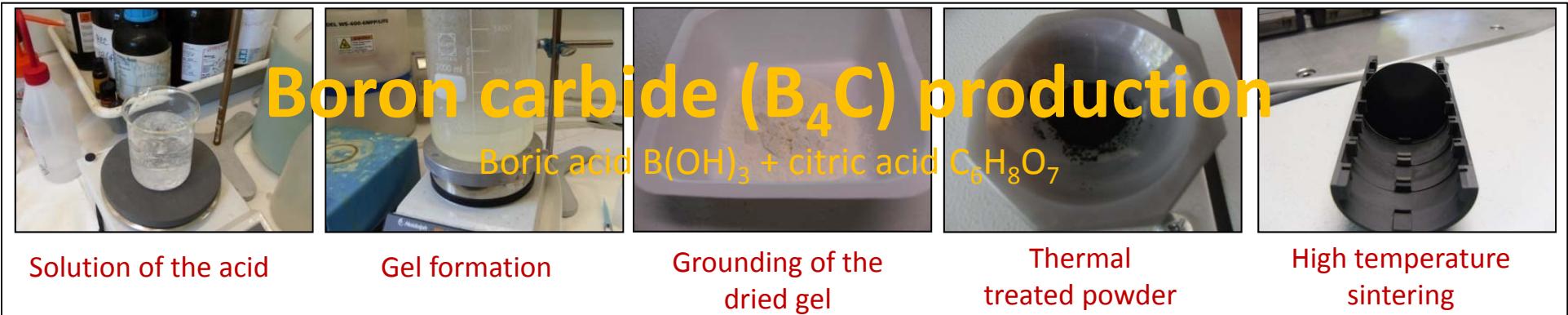
# LaC<sub>2</sub>

OXIDE + GRAPHITE GREEN PELLETS → CARBIDE/GRAPIHTE (LaCx) PELLETS



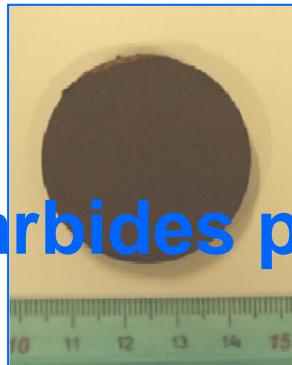
## Boron carbide (B<sub>4</sub>C) production

Boric acid  $\text{B}(\text{OH})_3$  + citric acid  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{O}_7$

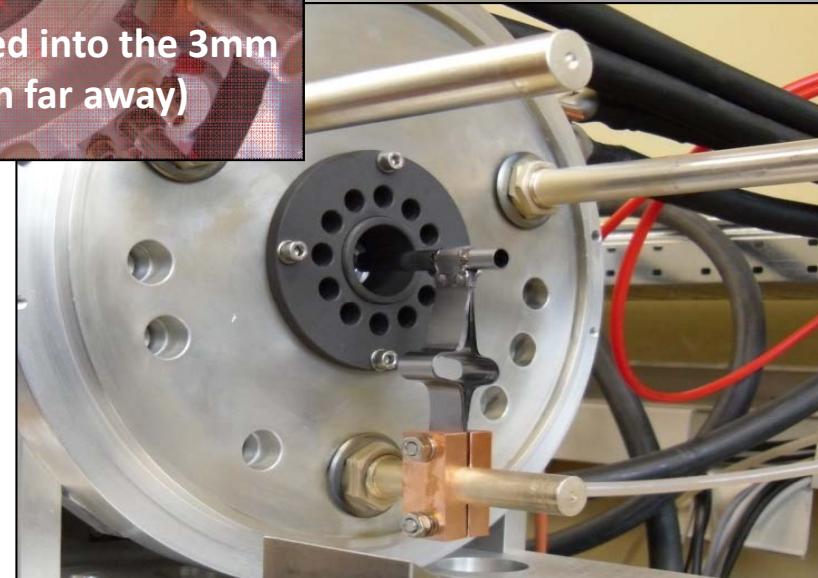
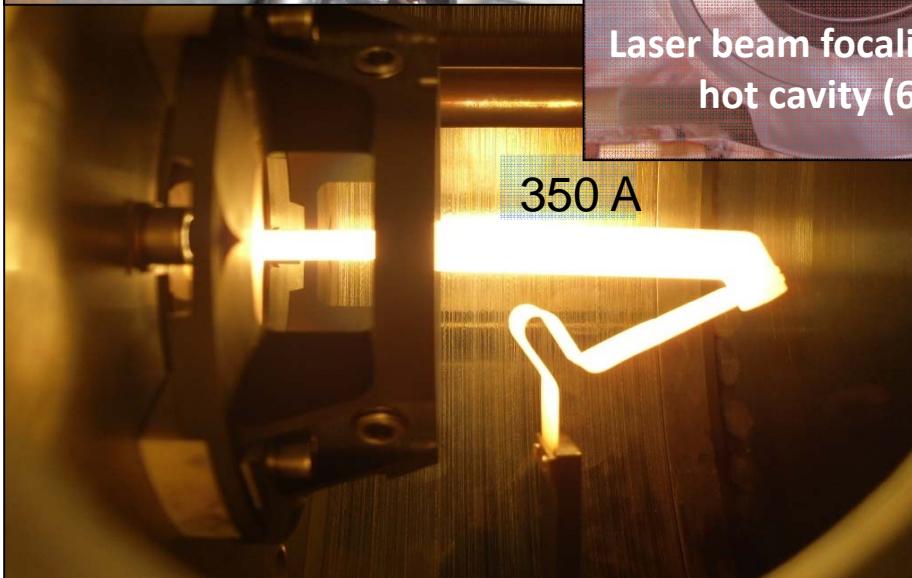


## ZrC foams

## Transition metal carbides production



# The SPES Ion Sources



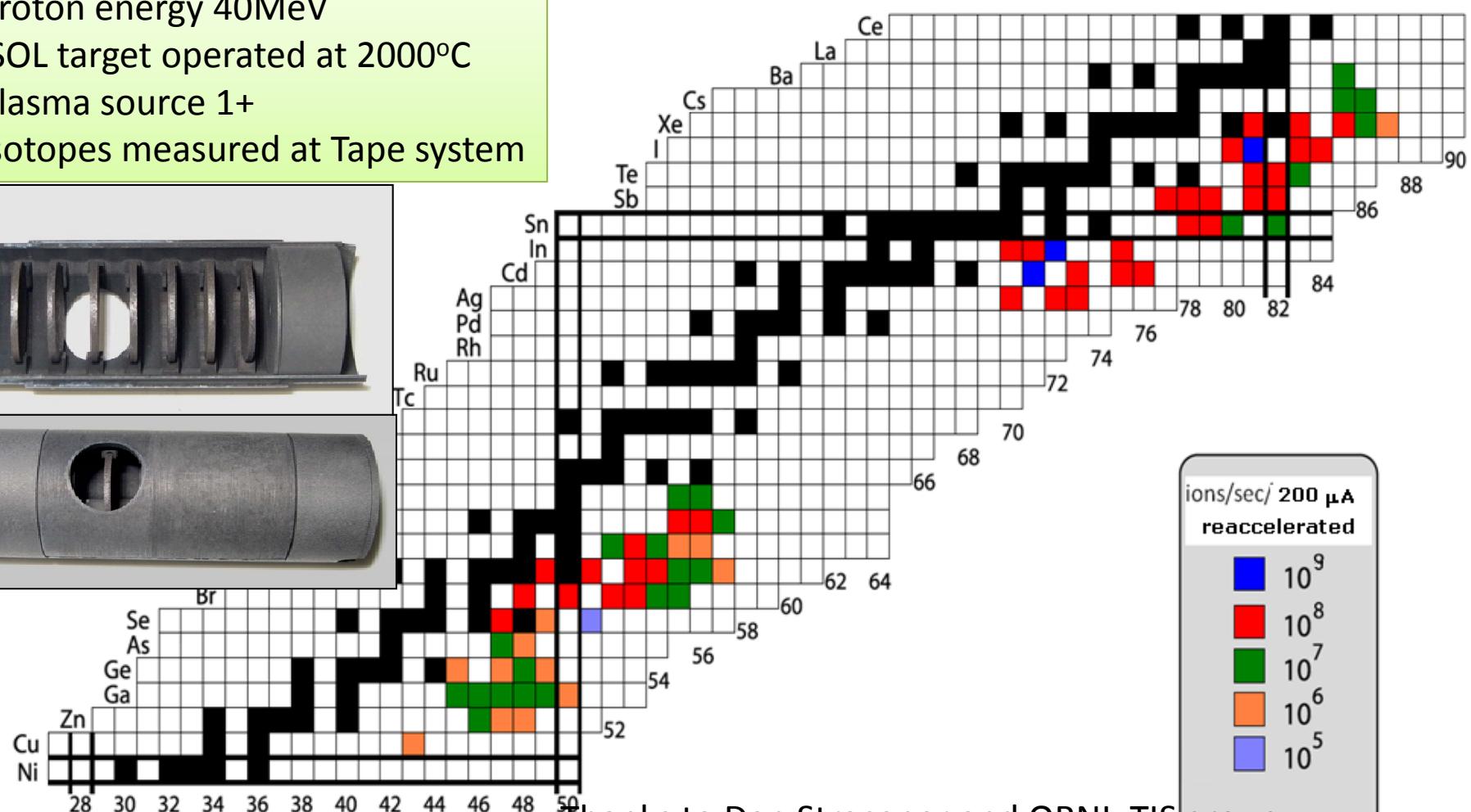
# On-line SPES Target Test experiment at ORNL

**Experiment 2010-2011**

Proton energy 40MeV  
ISOL target operated at 2000°C  
Plasma source 1+  
Isotopes measured at Tape system



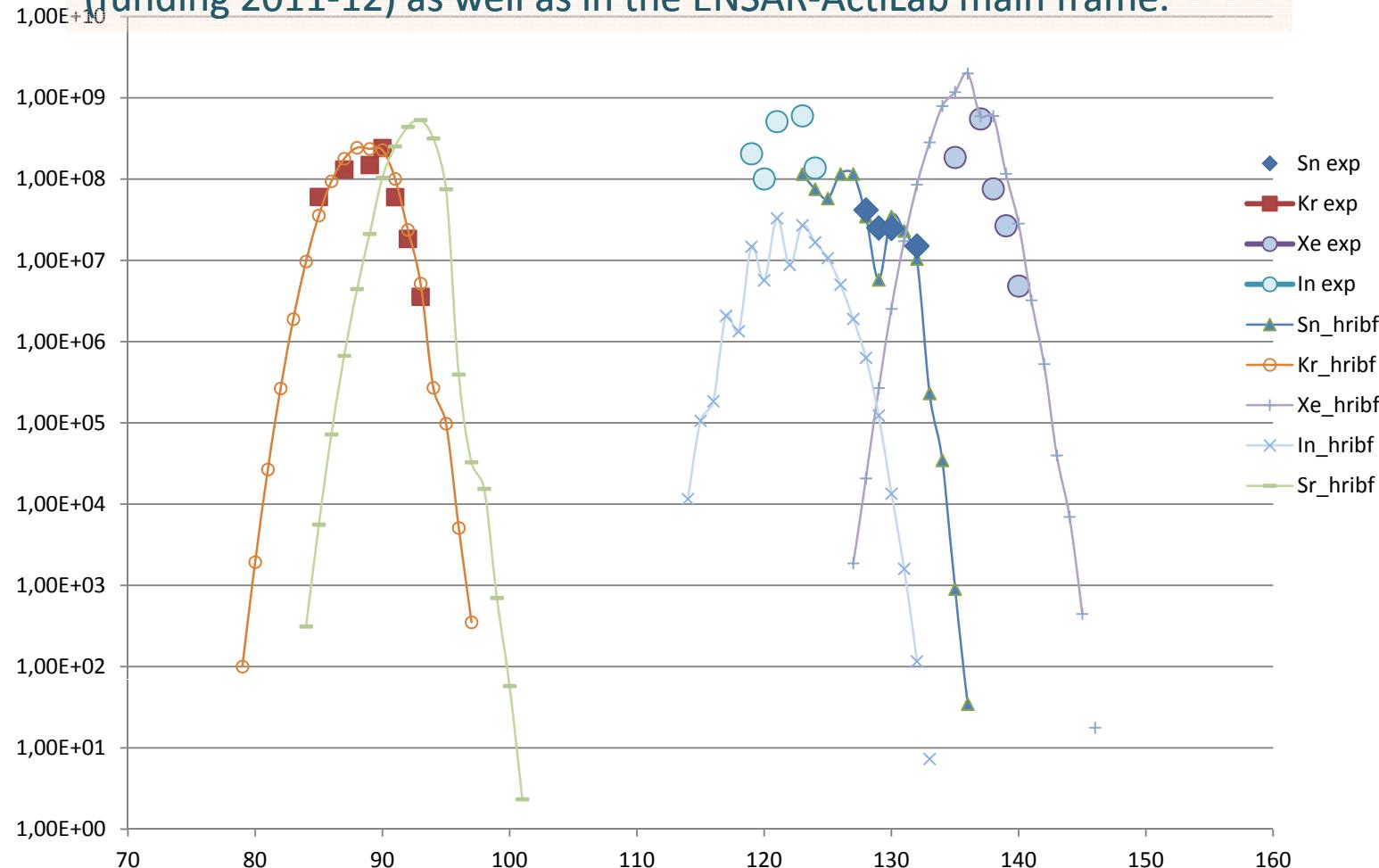
For **expected beam on target**, data are scaled to:  
200 microA proton current  
2-5%  $1+ \rightarrow N+$  & RIB transport efficiency



Thanks to Dan Stracener and ORNL-TIS group

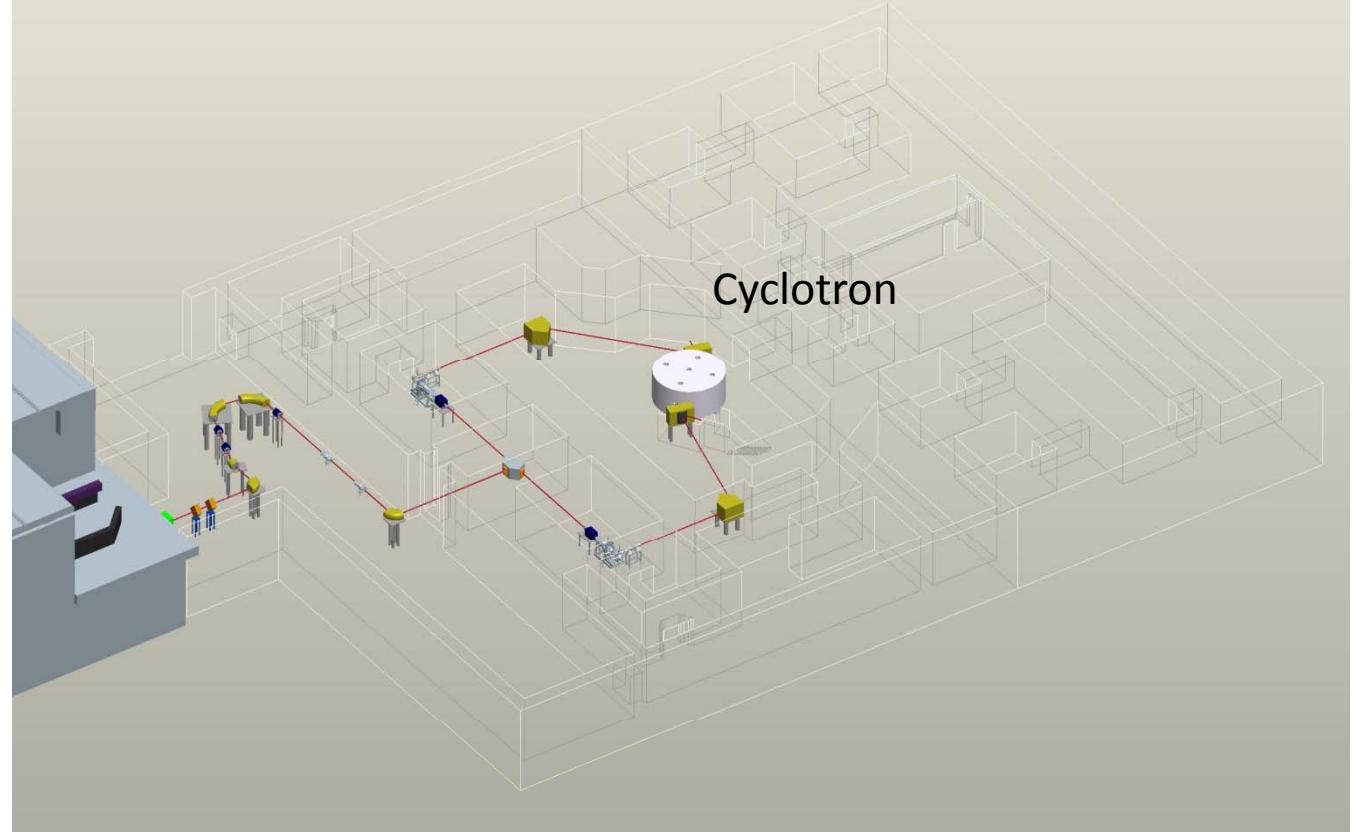
# Evaluated reaccelerated beams

Experimental work will continue at ORNL and LNS, using the CS proton beam, with the installation of an on-line ISOL test-bench (funding 2011-12) as well as in the ENSAR-ActiLab main frame.



Lines: from HRIBF extrapolation

Solid markers: SPES-target experiment at ORNL



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# SPES CYCLOTRON

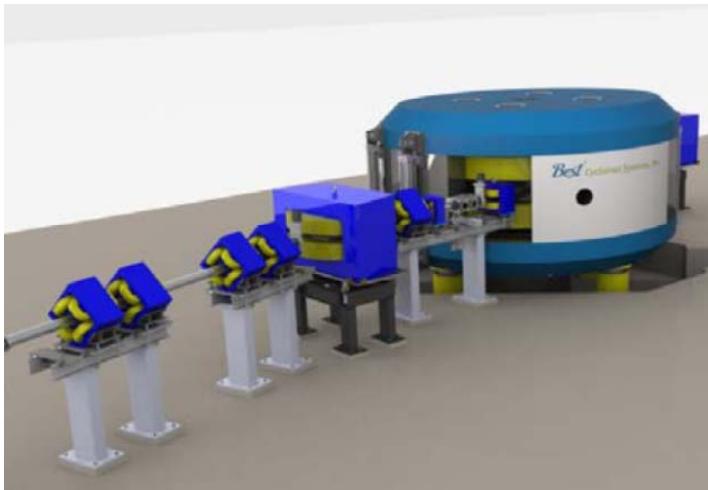
*Cyclotron realization in progress*

# BEST Cyclotron parameters

*Total Costs:*

*cyclotron and 1 beam line 10 M€*

*Delivery 3-4 years (start 28 Oct '10)*



## Main Dimensions

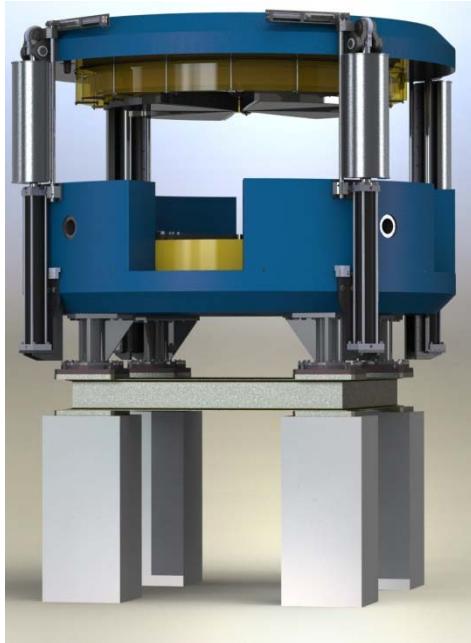
Diameter = 4.5 m

Height= 1.7 m

Weight = 210 tons

BEST 70 MeV Cyclotron	
Accelerated Particle	H-
Extracted Particle	Protons
Energy	<b>35-70 MeV (variable)</b>
Current	<b>&gt; 700 uA (variable)</b>
Extraction System	<b>By stripping → simultaneous dual beam extraction</b>
Injection System	Axial Injection → External Multicusp Ion Source 15-20mA DC
Main Magnet	B <sub>max</sub> = 1,6 T Coil current = 127 kAt Power supply = 30 kW 4 sectors, deep valley
RF System	2 resonators Frequency= 58 MHz Harmonic mode=4 Dissipated Power=15 kW per cavity DEE voltage=60-80 kV
Operational Vacuum	2 e -7 mbar

# BEST 70p Model & Magnet



*70p Model.*



*70p Magnet in Japan  
(Dec 2011)*

# Best 70p Magnet



*70p Magnet in Baltimore.*



*Machining is planned to begin in  
Marmen, May 2012.*



# SPES CYCLOTRON

## load work per year



**Expected Beam on target:  
10600 hours per year.**

**Over 5000 hours/year of  
proton beam available for  
RIB production and 5000  
hours/year for applications.**

**2 weeks per shift**

Beam preparation 2 days

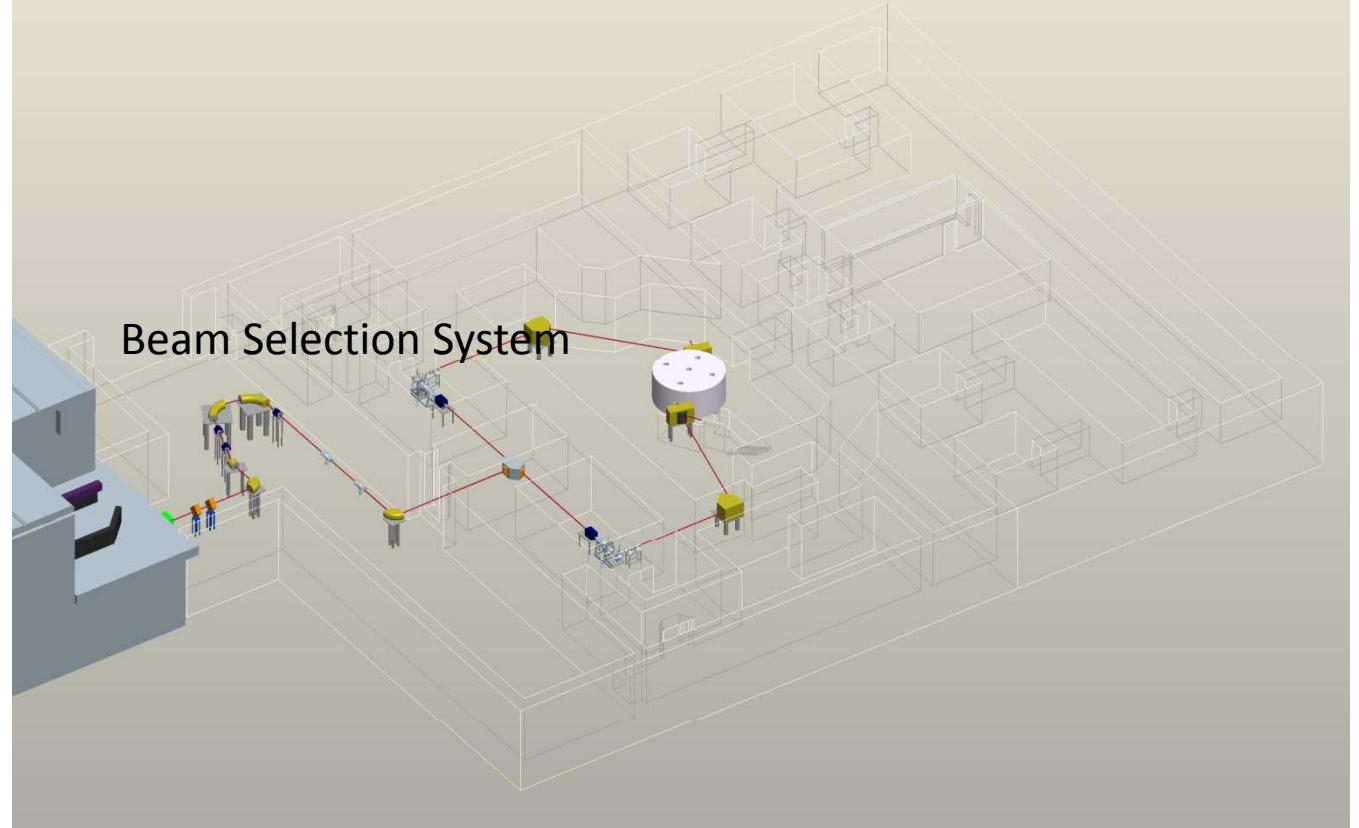
Beam on target 12 days

Beam on target → 280 hours per shift

Each bunker will cool down for 14 days after  
target irradiation.

**Beam sharing skeme**

	Proton beam	N.r.s of SHIFTS	Beam on target: Total 10600 hours
ISOL 1	300µA 40MeV	10	2800
Irradiation 1	500 µA 70MeV	9	2500
Irradiation 2	500 µA 70MeV	10	2800
ISOL 2	300 µA 40MeV	9	2500
Maintanance		7	7x14x24= 2350
Cyclotron Operation		19	19x12x24= 5462 esperiment 19X2x24= 912 beam preparation



SPES Project

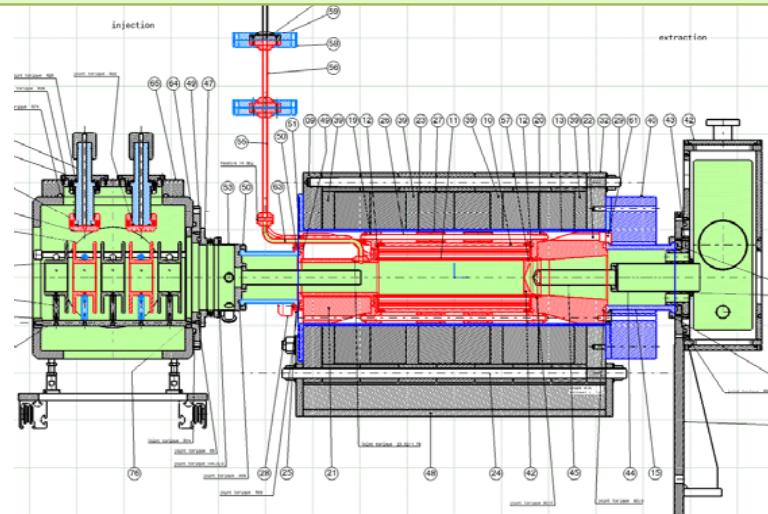
# SPES BEAM SELECTION SYSTEM

*R&D Design studies in progress*

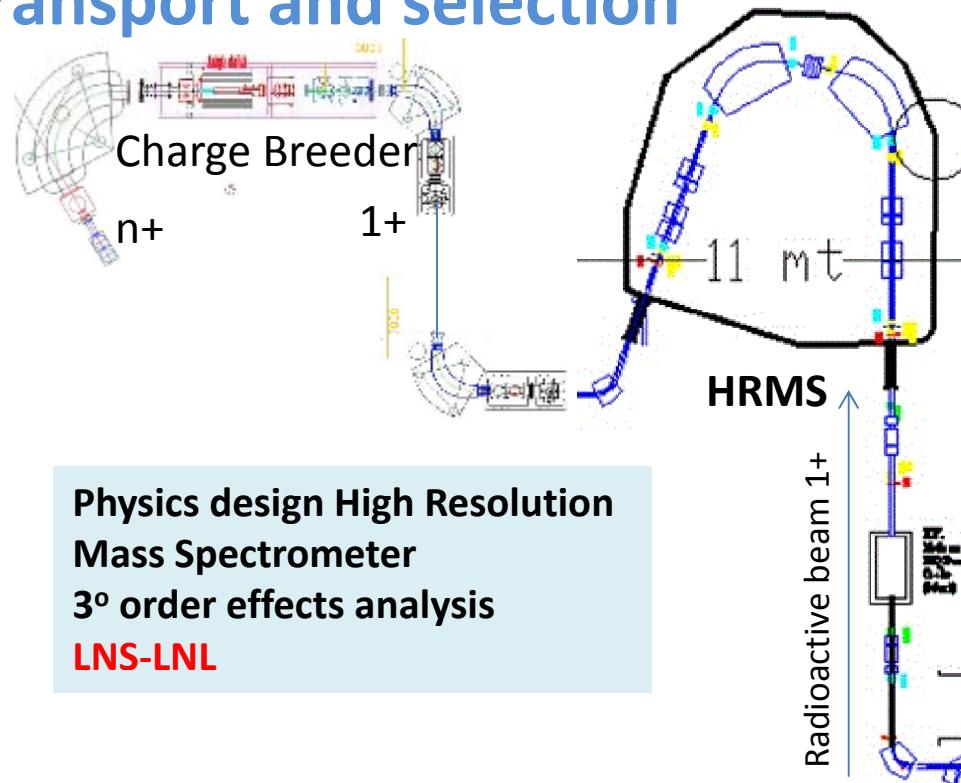
# Radioactive Beam transport and selection

**Development of an upgraded POHENIX booster**  
**Part of MoU GANIL\_SPIRAL2 – INFN\_SPES**

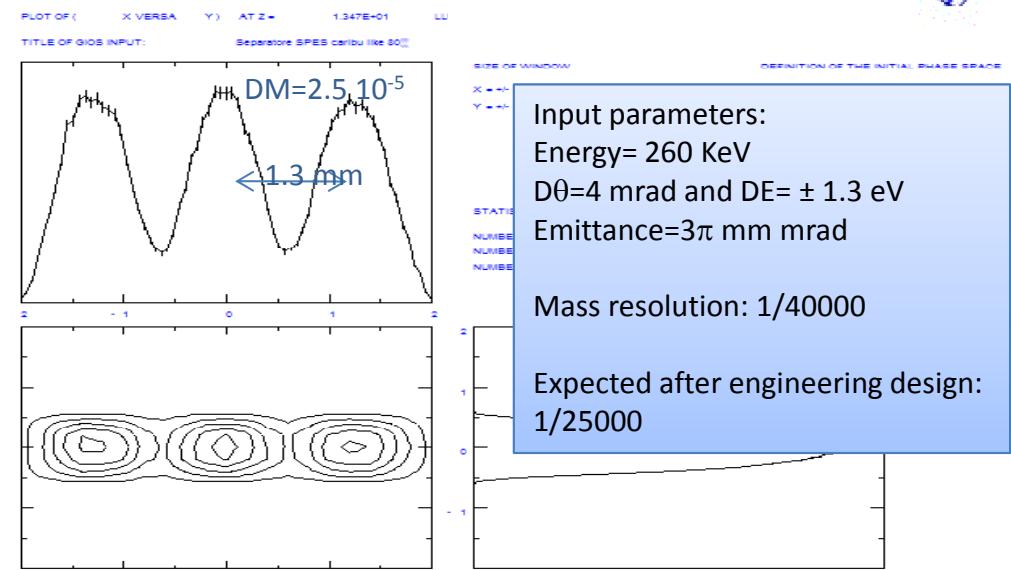
2010 Preliminary measurements  
 2011 Conceptual design and schedule definition  
 2012 Design  
 2013 Construction  
 2014 Commissioning



**INFN-GANIL MoU:**  
 INFN: neutron converter for  
 SPIRAL2  
 LPCS: Charge Breeder for SPES



**Physics design High Resolution  
 Mass Spectrometer  
 3<sup>o</sup> order effects analysis**  
**LNS-LNL**

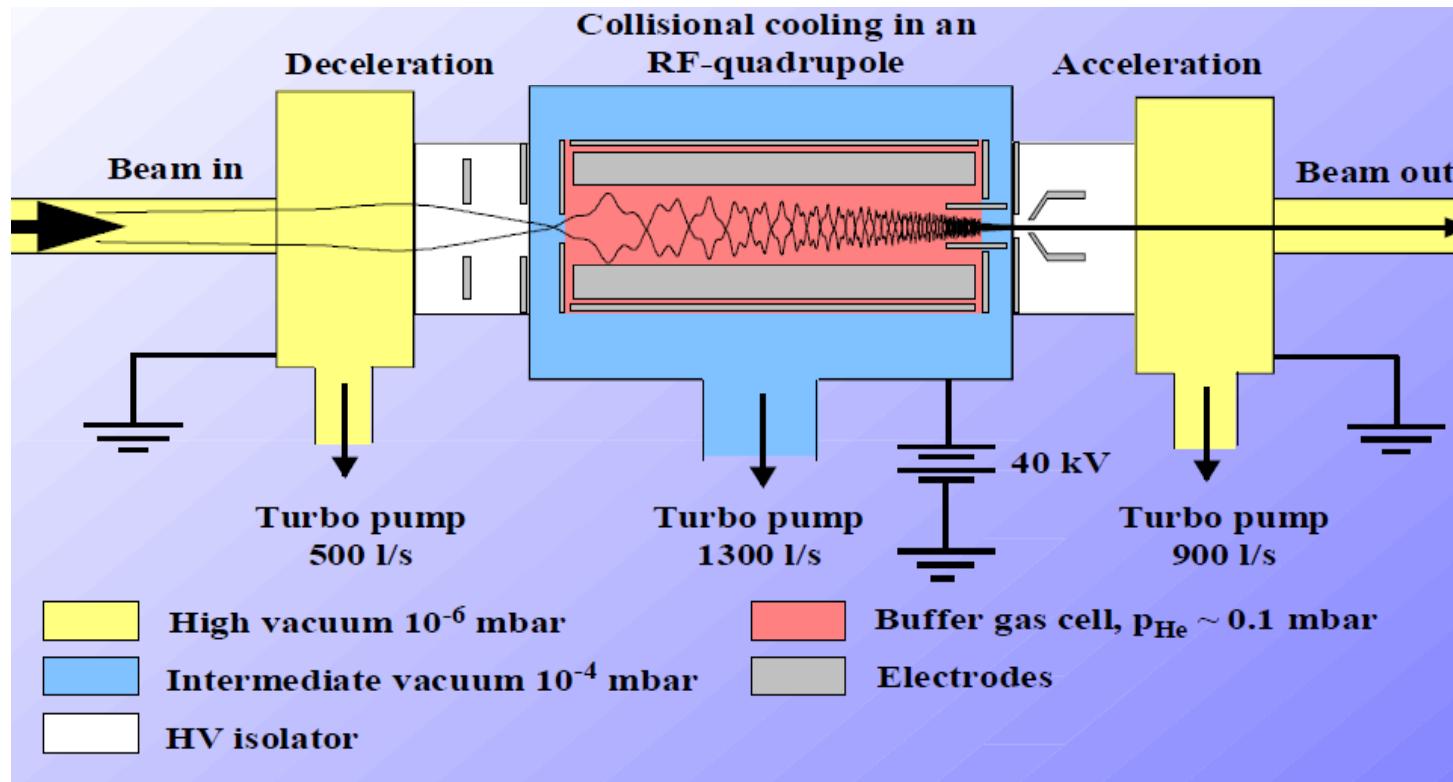


# RFQ Beam Cooler

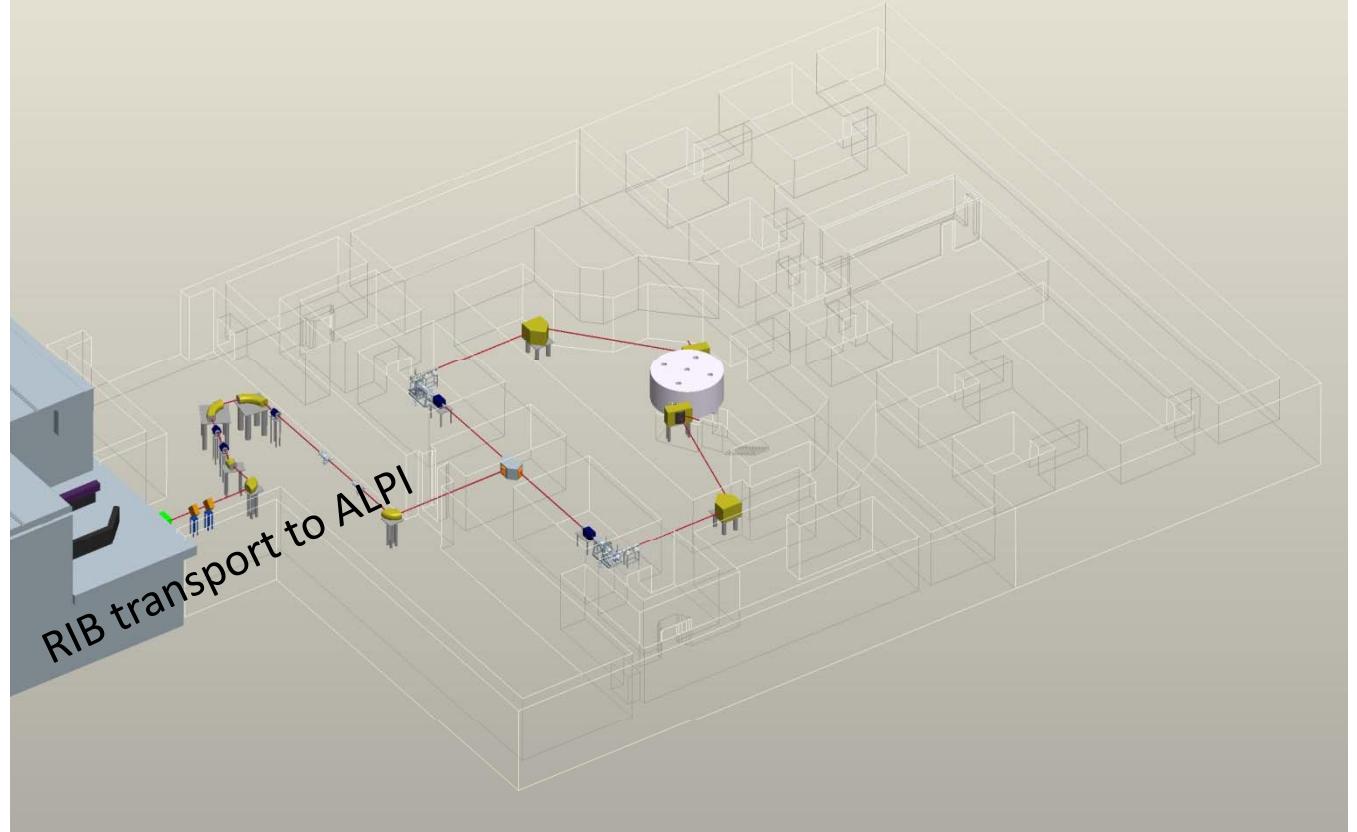
Feasibility study in progress within  
the INFN experiment

**REGATA**

R\_iduttore di E\_mittanza a GA\_s TA\_mpone



To reduce transversal emittance and energy spread  
 → to improve resolving power of Mass separator



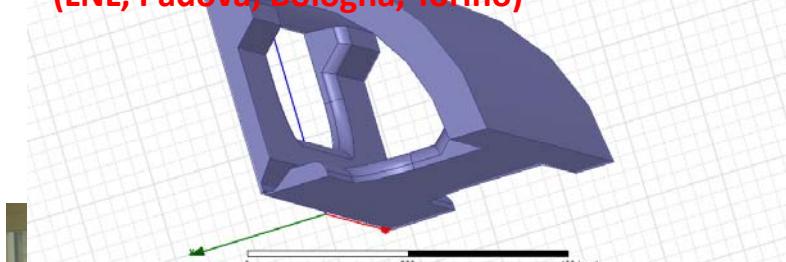
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# SPES POST ACCELERATION SYSTEM

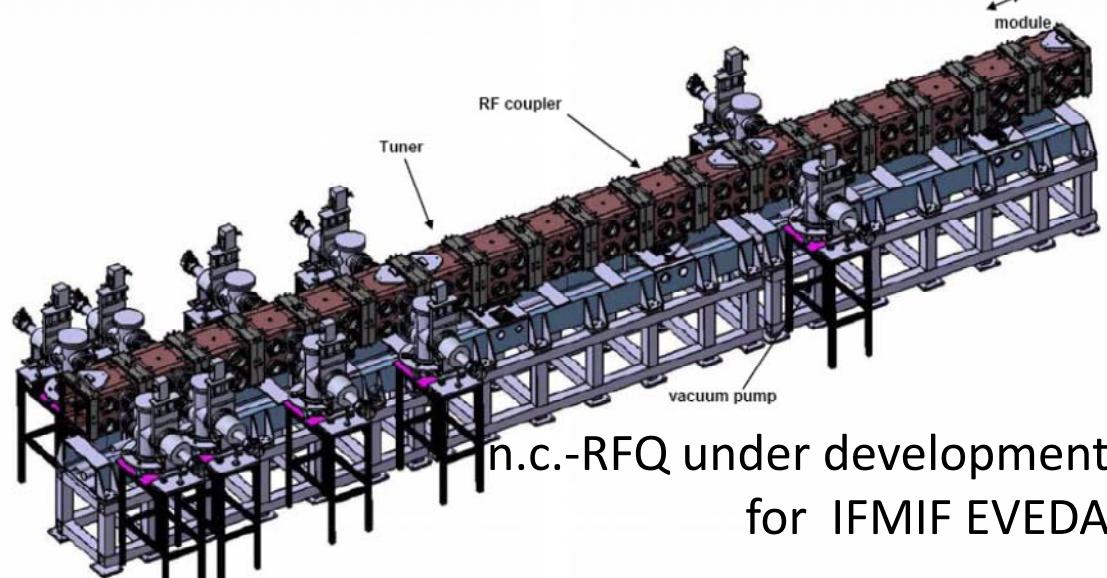
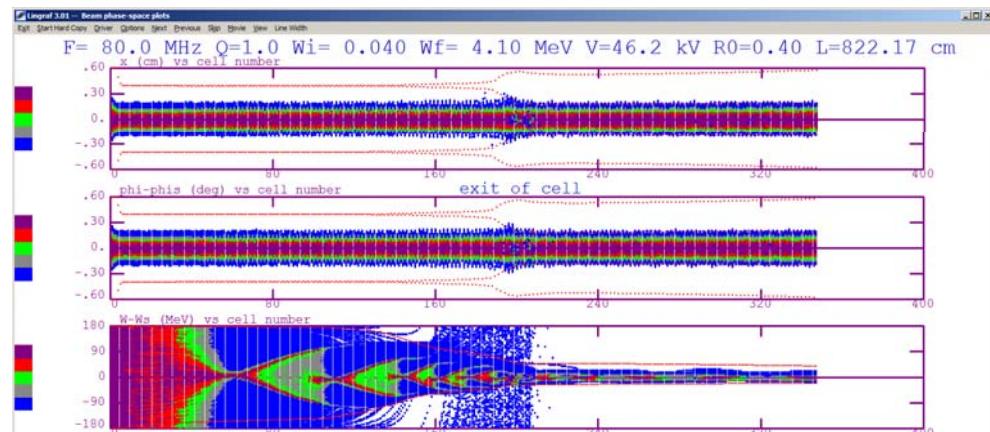
*LINAC Upgrade in progress*

# Pre-acceleration by normal conductive RFQ

- Energy  $5.7 \rightarrow 700 \text{ KeV/A}$  ( $A/q=7$ )
- Beam transmission  $>95\%$
- Length 650 cm intervane voltage = 46kV
- RF power Ladder 100 kW Q=9000
- DB Electronics amplifier 100kW CW 80 MHz as SPIRAL2 RFQ can be used
- Mechanical design and realization takes advantage of IFMIF experience and follows same collaboration (LNL, Padova, Bologna, Torino)



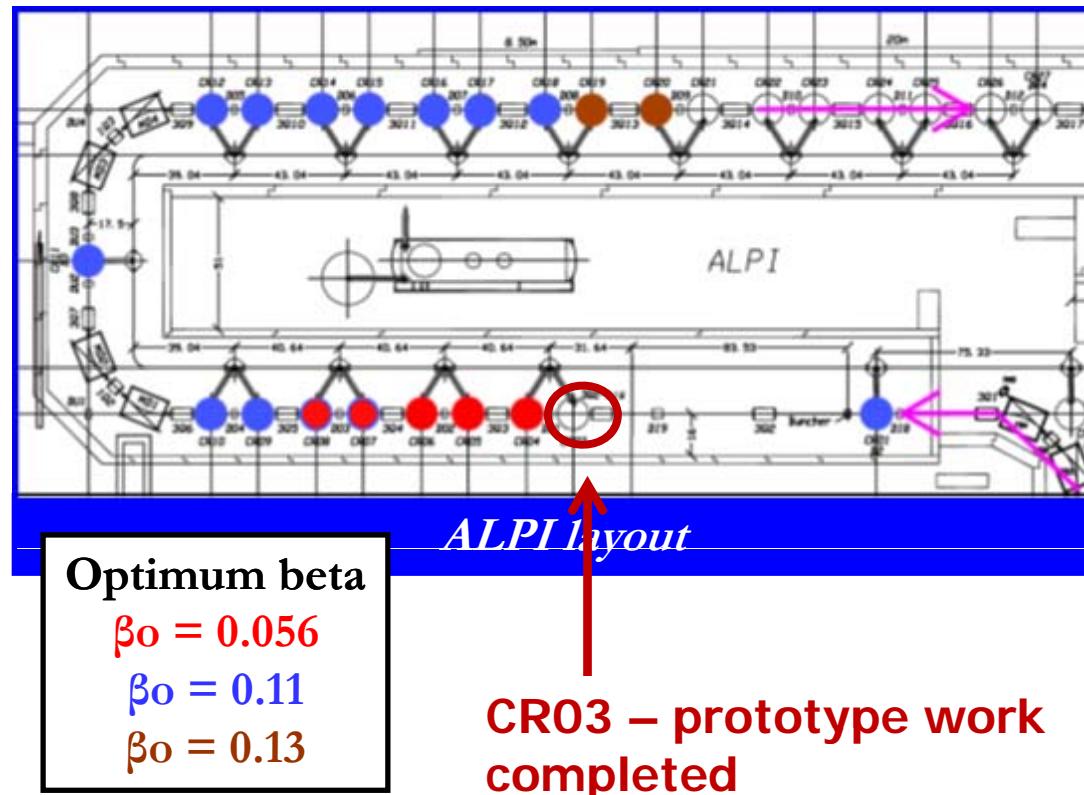
New pre-accelerator to fit ALPI acceptance:  
development of a 80MHz normal conductive RFQ  
following the IFMIF-EVEDA technology.



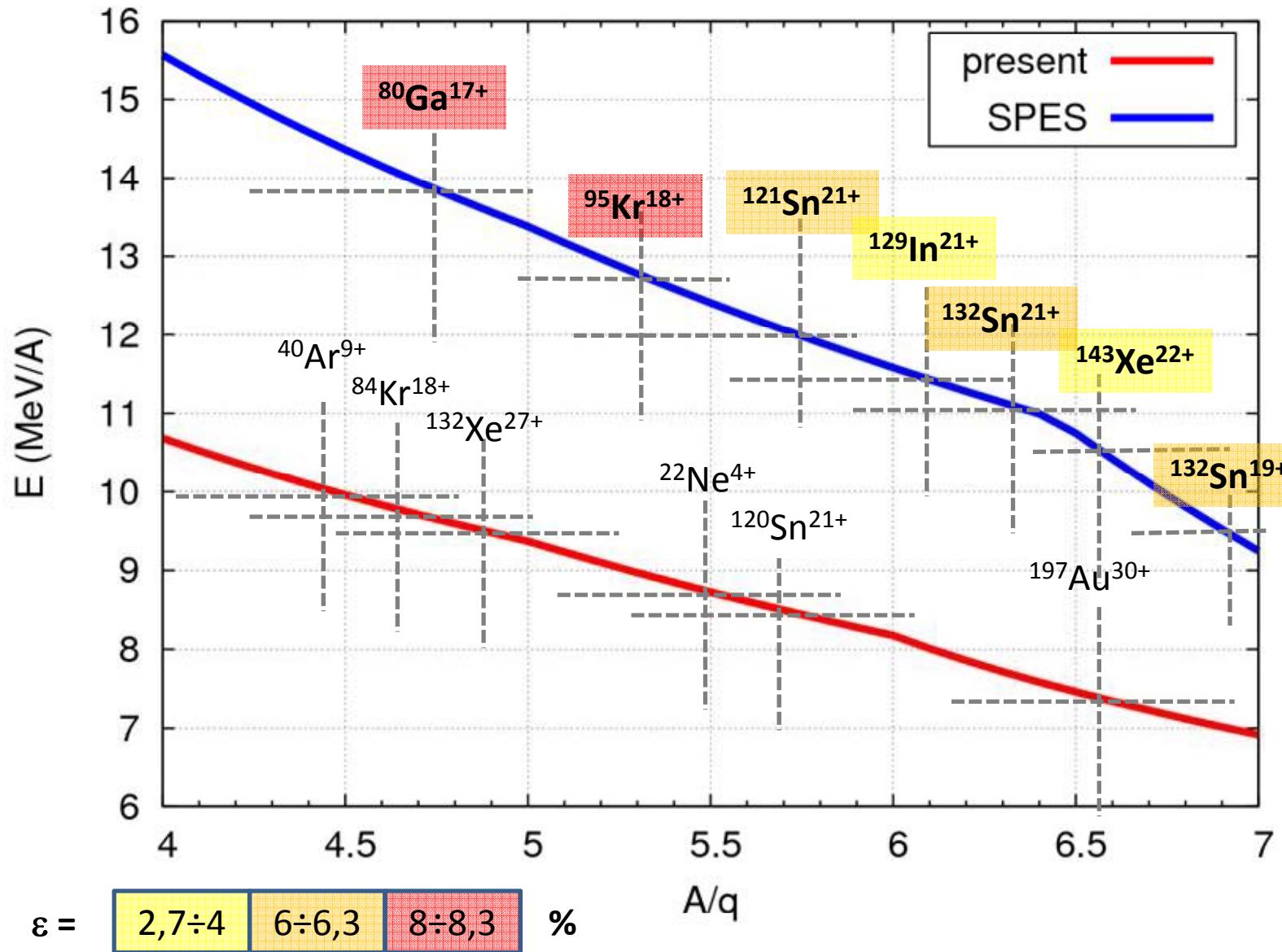
# ALPI Low-Beta Cavity Upgrade

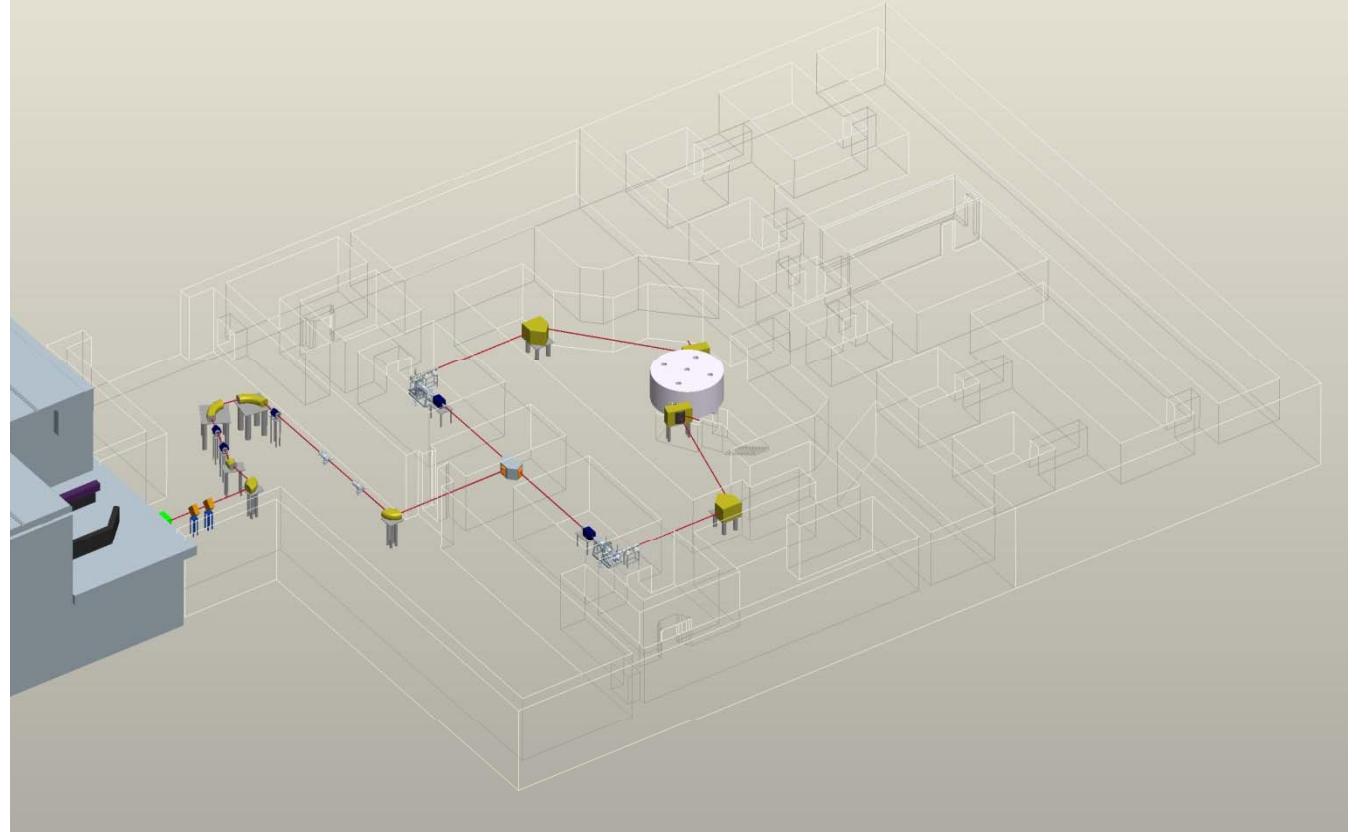
Motivation: to achieve at least **10 MeV/A up to A/q=7**  
 most beam species, up to the heaviest, with a more efficient linac  
 better beam dynamics → higher beam transmission

- Starting situation: 20 QWRs in 5 cryostats  
 $E_a \sim 3 \text{ MV/m}$  (limited by rf system) - total accelerating voltage ~ **11 MV**
- After upgrade: 24 QWRs (one more cryostat with 4 cavities)  
 $E_a = 5 \text{ MV/m}$  (upgraded rf system) - total accelerating voltage ~ **21 MV**



# SPES Final Performance (Phoenix charge- bred beams)

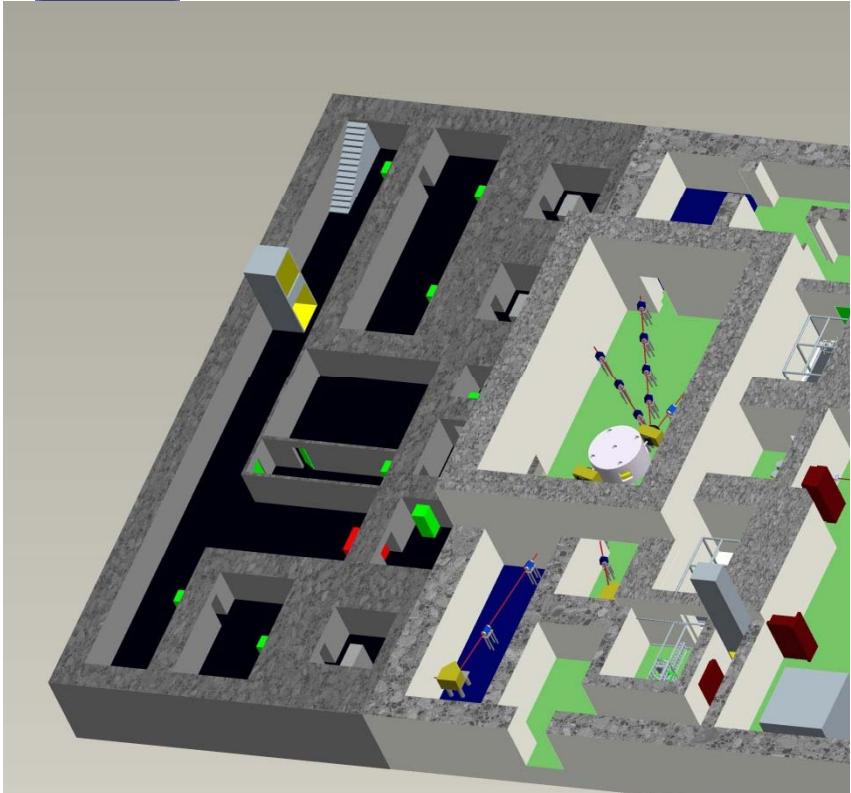




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# APPLICATIONS

# Radio-isotopes for medicine



**LARAMED Facility:**  
**Production of radionuclides of interest for medicine using the SPES cyclotron**

***Evaluated Total cost: 20Meuro (Lab. Extension)***

## IAEA- Coordinated Research Project (CRP)

### Accelerator-based Alternatives to Non-HEU Production of Molybdenum-99/Technetium-99m

IAEA Consultant meeting, July 26-29, 2011

IAEA Headquarters Vienna, Austria

(HEU: high enriched Uranium)



application forms on <http://www-crp.iaea.org/>

### INFN – ARRONAX:

New target technology for the production of radionuclides  
Development of new radiopharmaceuticals of copper-67/64  
Development of new radiopharmaceuticals of rhenium-188  
Investigation of the biological effect of alpha radiation

### INFN – BEST Thertronics:

Production of Mo-99/Tc-99m at clinical levels  
Direct Production of Tc-99m by  $\text{p}+^{100}\text{Mo}$   
Production via UCx Target (p-induced fission)

# SPES Neutron facilities

## LINCE: Legnaro Italian Neutron CEnter

### Integral neutron production at SPES Cyclotron

Proton beam= 70 MeV, 500  $\mu$ A

Target = W 5mm

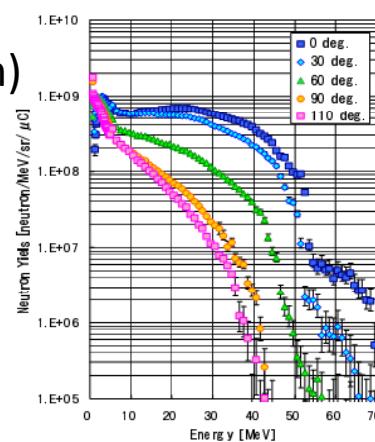
Energy region (MeV)	Sn (n/s) $\sim 6 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\Phi_n @ 2.5 \text{ m}$ ( $\text{n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	$\Phi_n @ 1 \text{ cm}$ ( $\text{n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )
$1 < E < 10$	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$5 \times 10^8$	$3 \times 10^{13}$
$10 < E < 50$	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$1 \times 10^8$	$6 \times 10^{12}$

Neutron spectra for 70 MeV protons on different targets

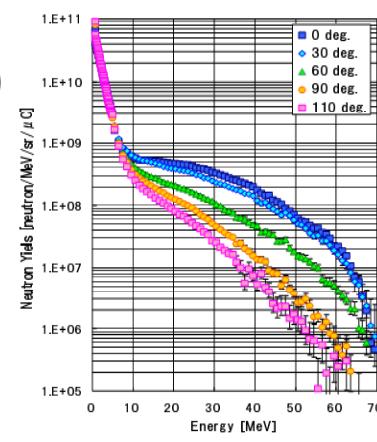


Union for Compact Accelerator-based Neutron Sources

C(p,xn)



W(p,xn)



# SPES Neutron facilities

## LINCE: Legnaro Italian Neutron CEnter

### LIFAN

(Legnaro Intense FAst Neutron facility):

- SEE Single Event Effect used for electronics' irradiation
- DIRECT proton irradiation facility

scope:

The facility produces a beam similar to the **atmospheric spectrum** (limited to 70MeV) and allows to study the behavior of complex systems subjected to neutrondamage.

### FARETTRA

(FAst REactor simulator for TRAnsmutation studies)

Moderated neutron facility with Neutron spectra similar to Gen IV reactors

scope:

The facility reproduces a **spectrum typical of a fast neutron fission reactor** to perform measurements of integral cross sections of fission and capture of

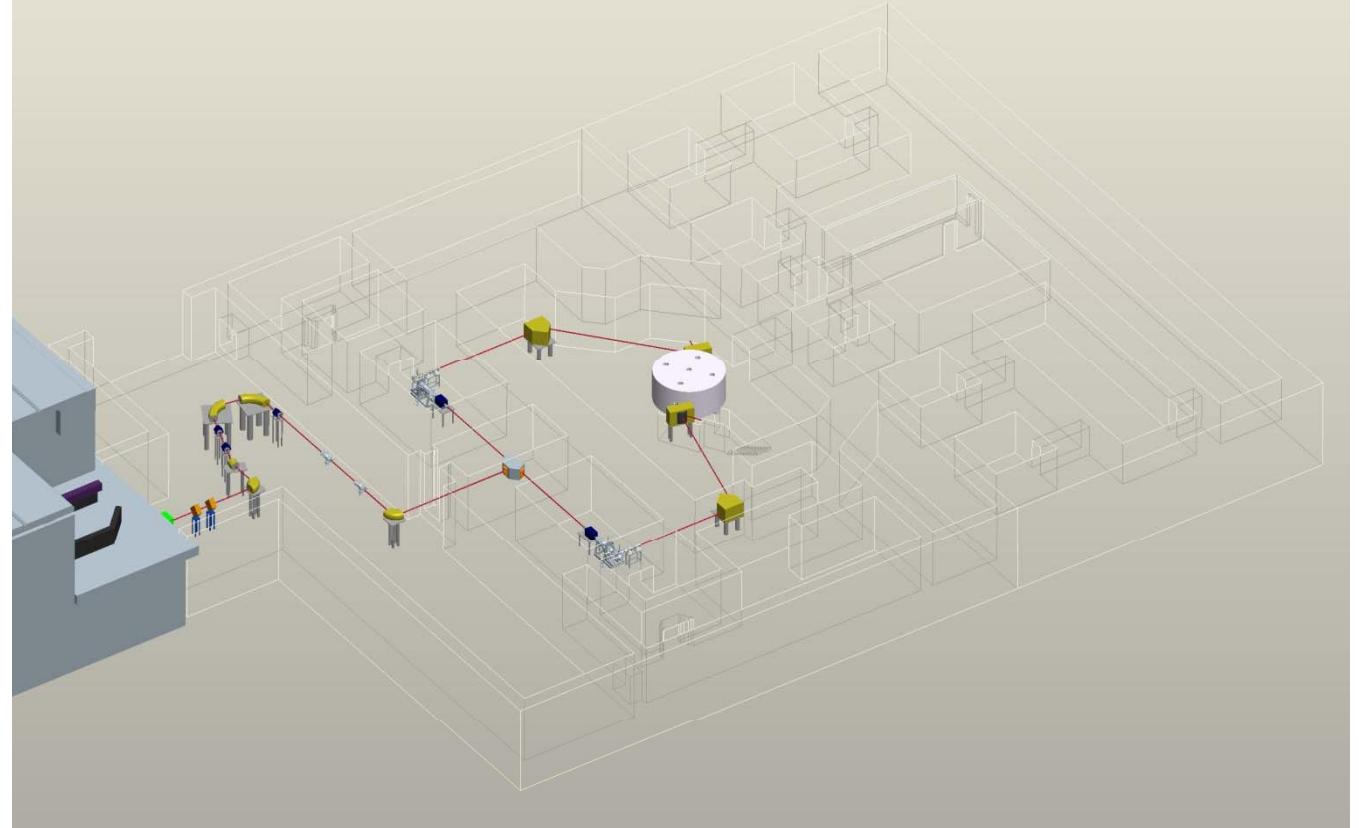
- minor actinides (MA),
- short-lived fission fragments (FF)

and activation measures of structural parts and materials for cooling for Generation IV fast reactors.

third meeting of the UCANS collaboration



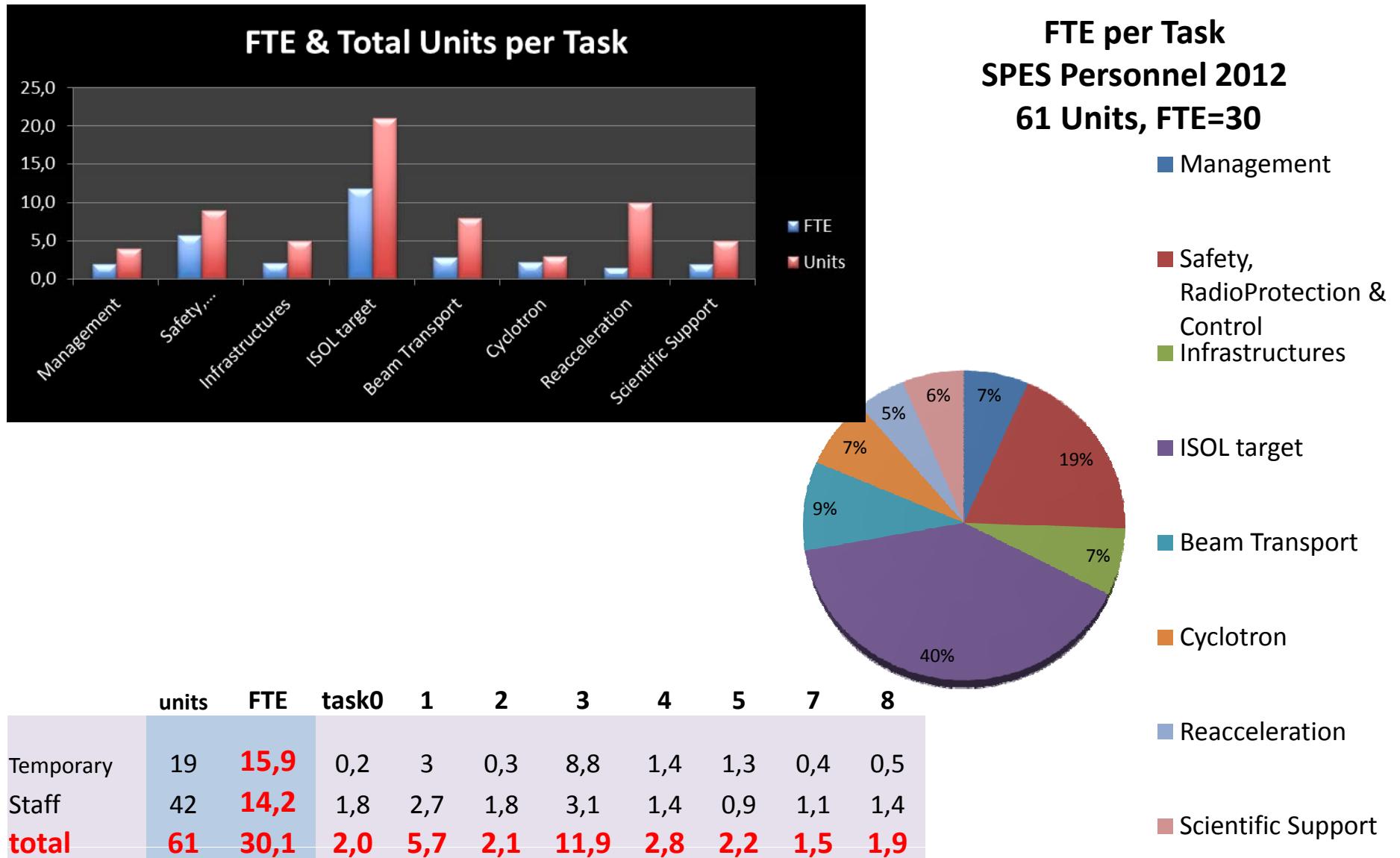
The Union for Compact Accelerator-driven  
Neutron Sources  
July 31 st to 3rd August,  
Bilbao, Spain



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# PERSONNEL AND STATUS

# SPES – Personnel 2012



INFN Fellowship for young foreign PhD

To be published on INFN jobs opportunity



POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR NON ITALIAN CITIZENS  
IN THE FOLLOWING RESEARCH AREAS

**EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS (N. 20)**

Next call: December 2012.....

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# SPES Schedule March 2012



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Facility preliminary design completion						
Prototype of ISOL Target and ion source						
ISOL Targets construction and installation						
Authorization to operate and safety	Cyclotron operation (on schedule)	Cyclotron operation (on schedule)		UCx operation		
<b>Building's Tender &amp; Construction</b> bid start	building project					
<b>Cyclotron Tender &amp; Construction</b>	in schedule					
Alpi up-grade & pre-acceleration						
Design of RIB transport & selection (HRMS, Charge Breeder, Beam Cooler)						
Construction and Installation of RIBs transfer lines and spectrometer						
Complete commissioning						



# Current status



- ❖ Letters of Intent: under discussion to select first-day-experiments
- ❖ ISOL Target and Ion Source: under test with FEBIAD and Laser
- ❖ Layout for pre-acceleration: defined
- ❖ Safety report and radiation protection: ready authorization for cyclotron operation
- ❖ Contract for cyclotron: signed November '10, final design accepted in June '11, iron under machining
- ❖ Final building project: ready, international bid on the way
- ❖ **Expected ground breaking Feb.2013**

Thank you for the attention

