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EuPRAXIA 2nd SITE @CNR

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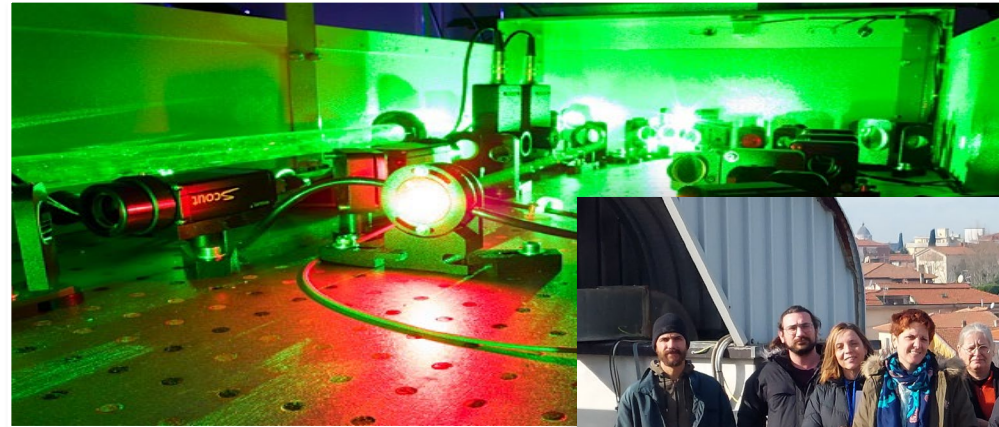
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Intense Laser Irradiation Laboratory

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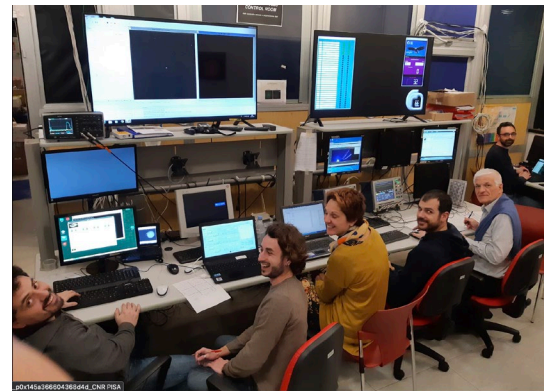


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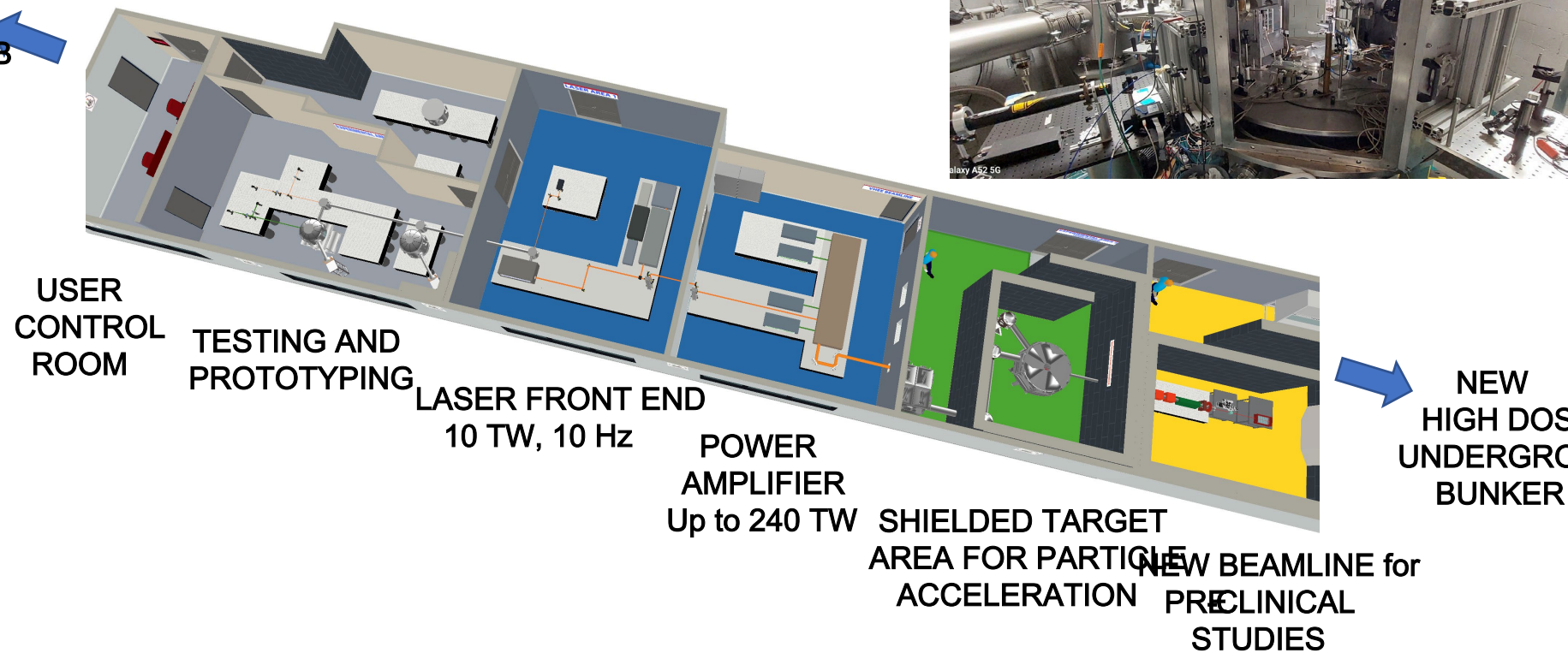
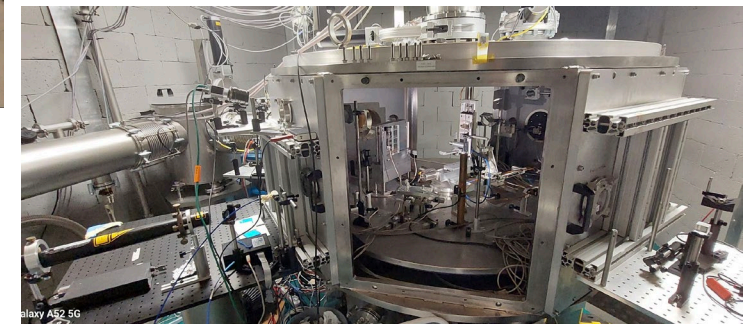
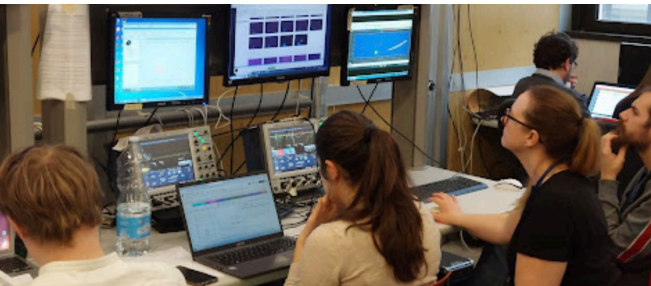
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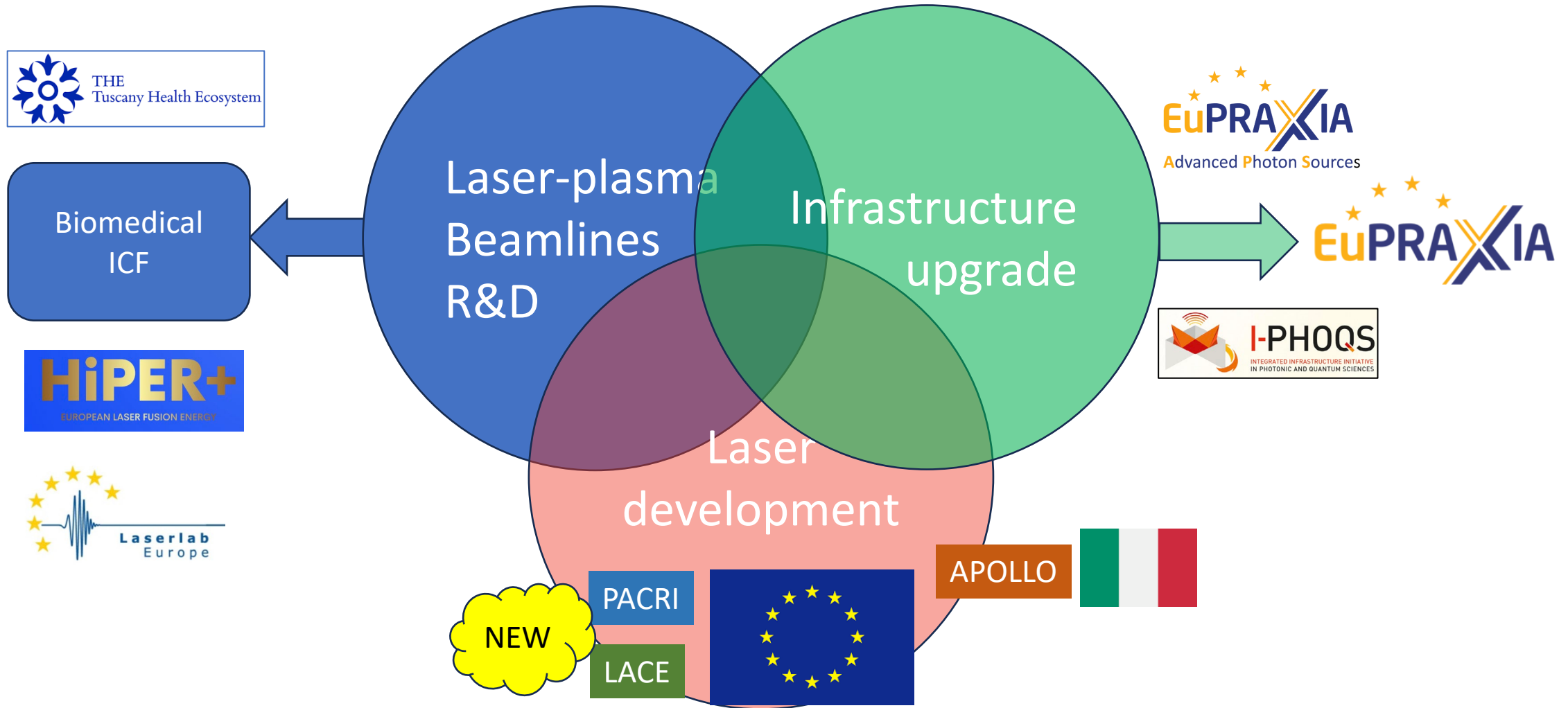
LASER CAPABILITIES:

- 240 TW, Ti:Sa, up to 5 Hz, 27 fs;
- 1kHz, >20 mJ, Ti:Sa + OPA (commissioning due in July)
- 100 Hz, >1J, TiSA (procurement in progress)



HAP
LASER
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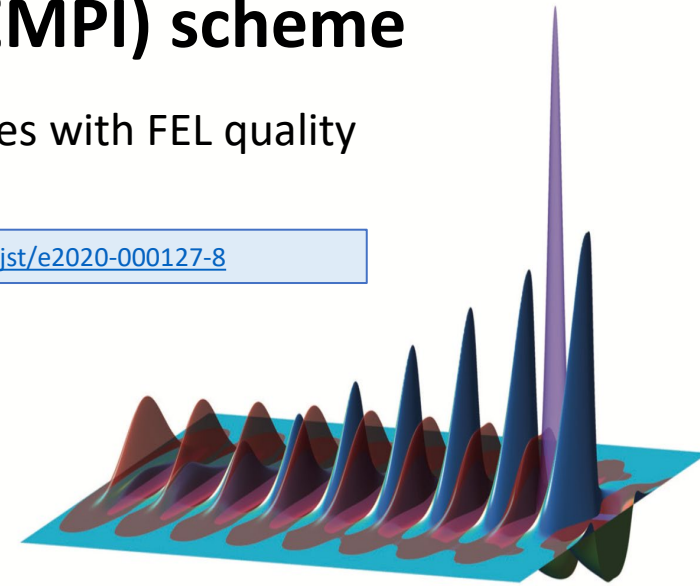
The REsonant MUlti-Pulse Ionization Injection (REMPI) scheme

Motivation: Within the project we aim at generating 4.5/5GeV bunches with FEL quality

R. Assmann et al., "EuPRAXIA Conceptual Design Report" The European Physical Journal Special Topics **229**, 3675–4284 (2020); <https://doi.org/10.1140/epjst/e2020-000127-8>

Bunch specifications - GOAL:

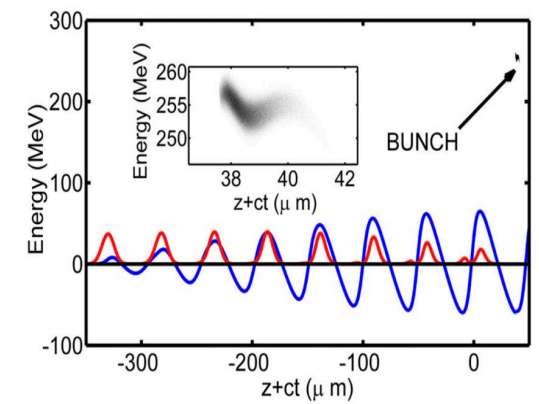
dE/E SLICE	ϵ_n SLICE	Q	I_{peak}
<0.1%	<0.1 mm mrad	>30 pC	>2kA



- This is a very challenging working point for a plasma-based accelerator.
- We developed a laser-driven scheme, the *Resonance Multi-Pulse Ionization Injection scheme (REMPI [1])*
- The REMPI scheme combines the most advanced concepts conceived to date in LWFA to deliver high quality electron beam to drive an X-ray FEL.

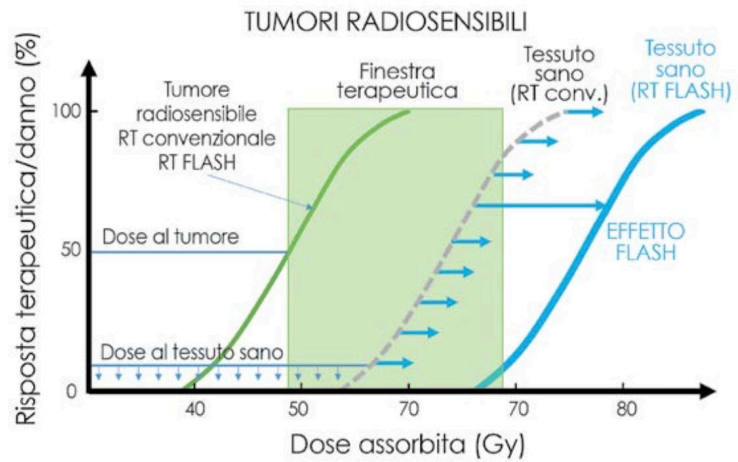
[1] P. Tomassini et al., *Physics of Plasmas* 24, 103120 (2017)

Test platform: P. Tomassini et al., "The resonant multi-pulse ionization injection," *Physics Of Plasmas* 24, 103120, 2017.



Close collaboration with ELI/P.Tomassini **Pin-pointing experimental activity in progress**

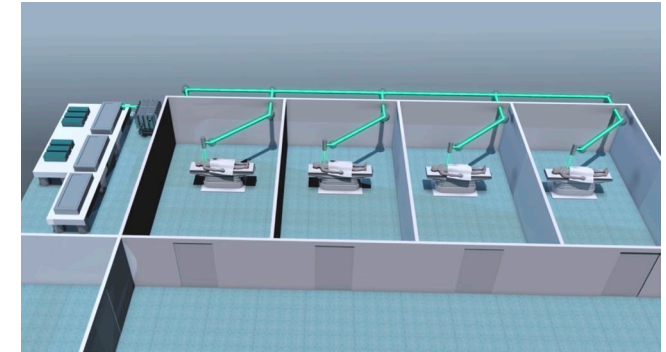
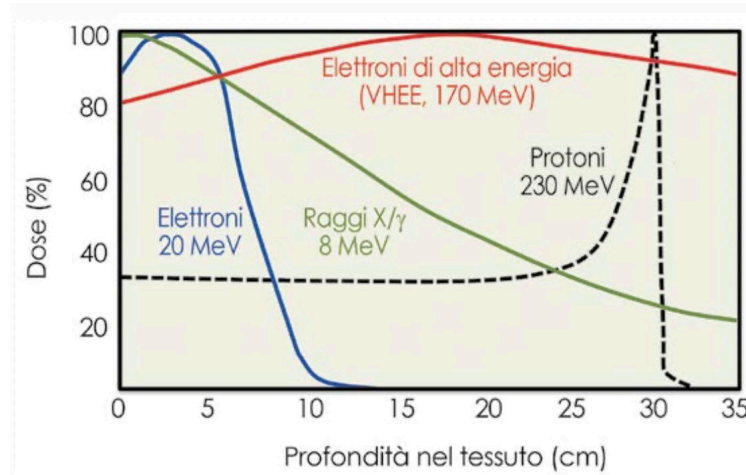
High dose-rate radiobiology and the “FLASH effect”



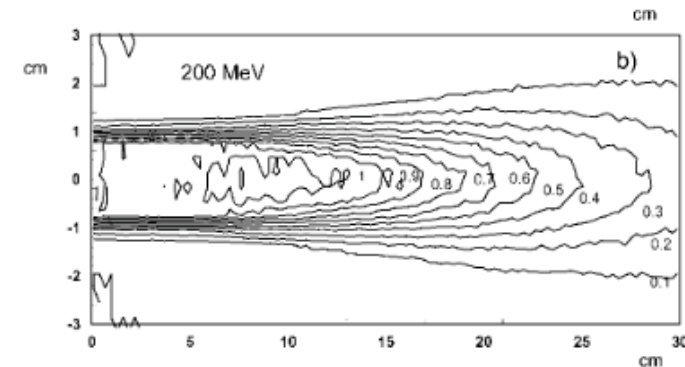
V. Favaudon et al., *Science Translational Medicine* 6, 245ra93 (2014)

- Same therapeutic effect on tumor tissue
- Sparing of healthy tissue

Flash: dose to be delivered in a very short time <200 ms (to date)

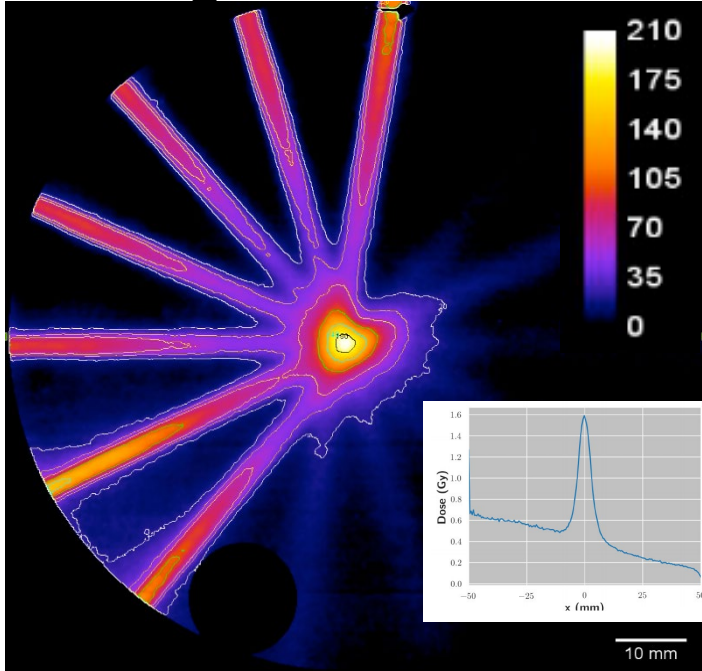


VHEE beams

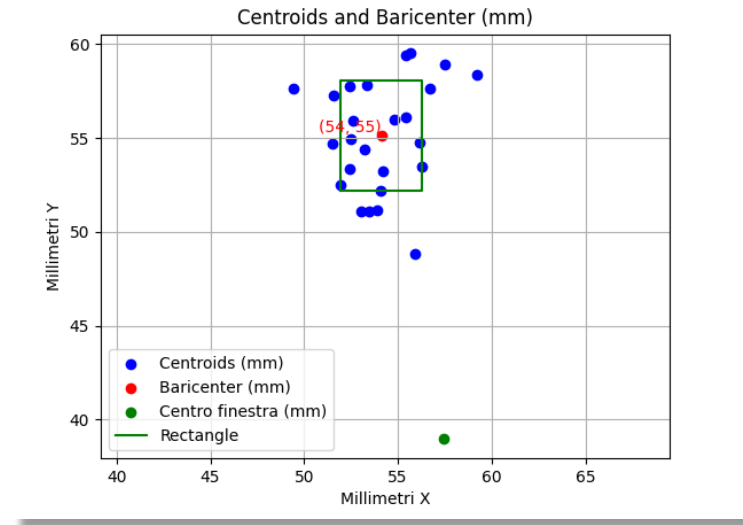


[1] C DesRosiers et al 2000 *Phys. Med. Biol.* 45 1781,

MULTI FIELD - 7-Fields irradiation



- Increasing charge and focusing can enable single pulse dose in the pencil beam at a few Gy per shot, very valuable for fundamental studies on the FLASH effect



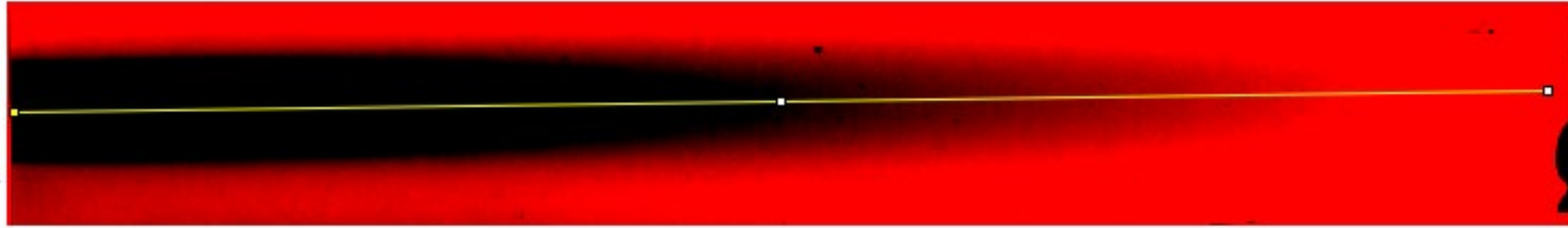
- In perspective, FLASH-RT needs therapeutic doses (**tens of Gy**) in a short time (**in 200 ms**)
- This is challenging for all accelerators (including RF): LPA needs high repetition rate (kHz)

“THE” Tuscany Health Ecosystem

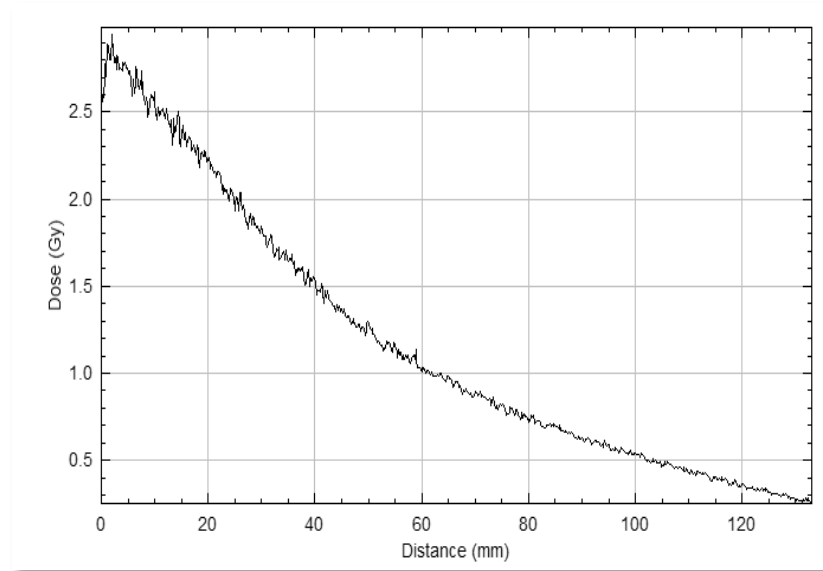


Also in: FRIDA (CSN5)

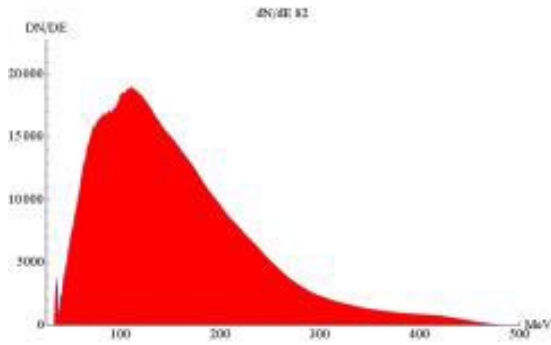
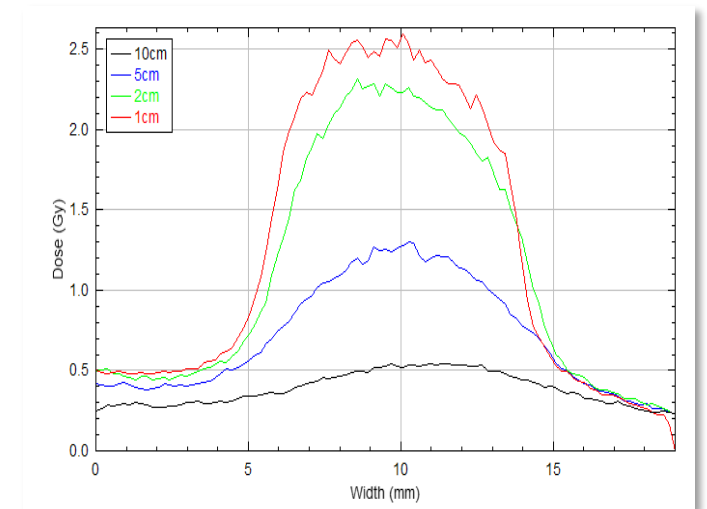
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Longitudinal dose profile

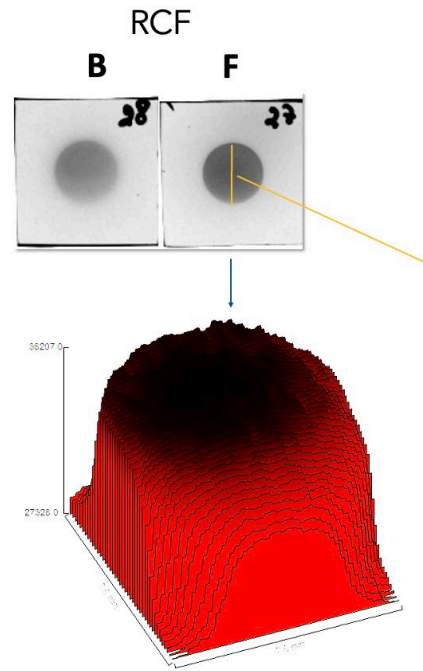
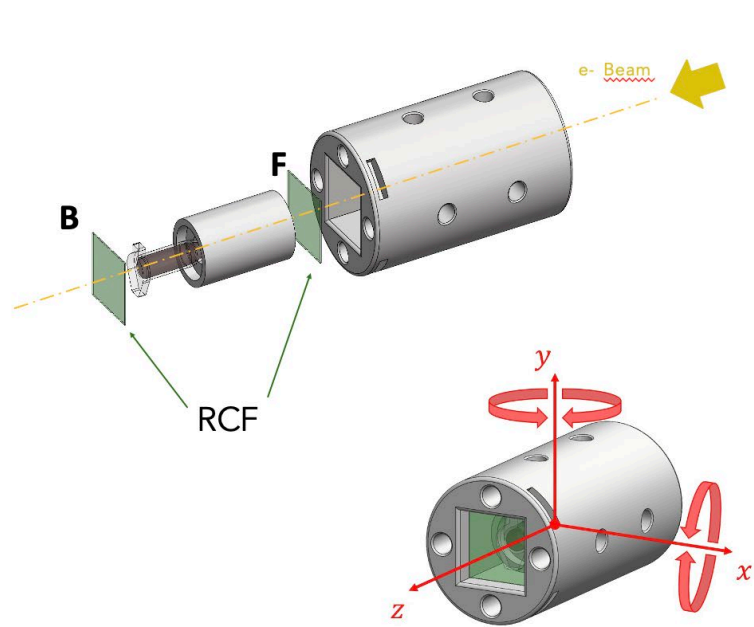


Transverse dose profile

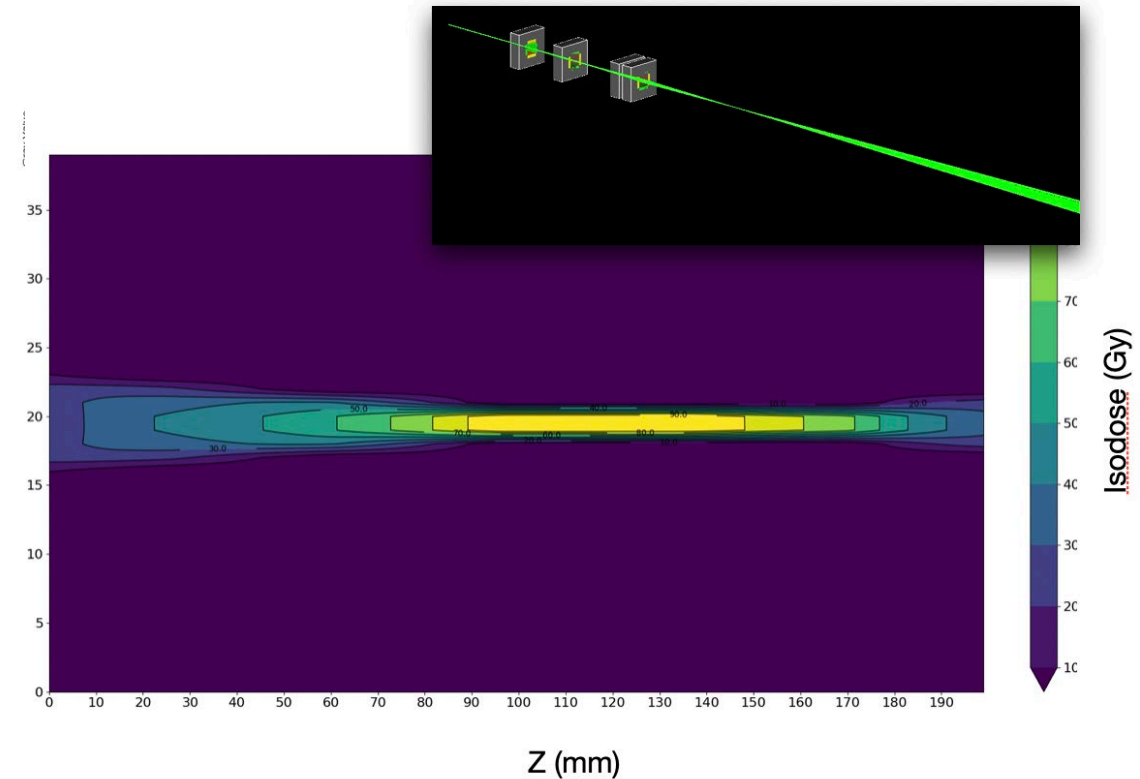


Energy spectrum

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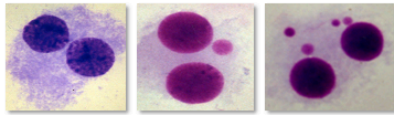
Beam transport modelling



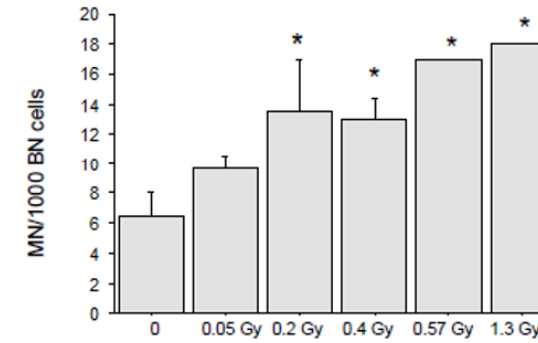
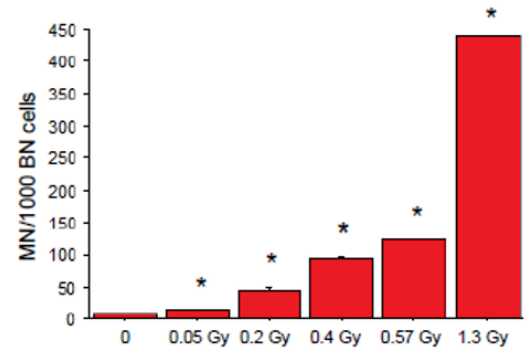
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Biological endpoints

Micronucleus Assay

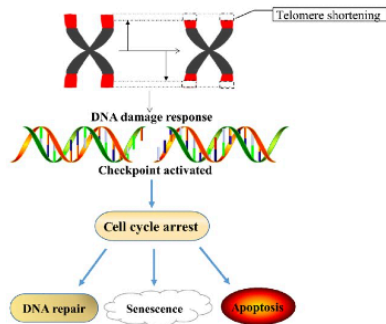


Targeted effect

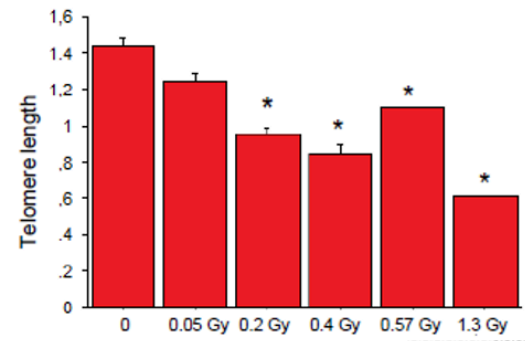


Bystander effect

Telomere Shortening



G. Wang et al DOI:10.3892/ol.2021.12757



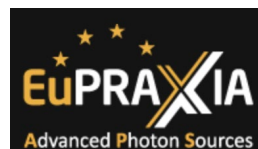
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* All $p < 0.05$ vs. control value

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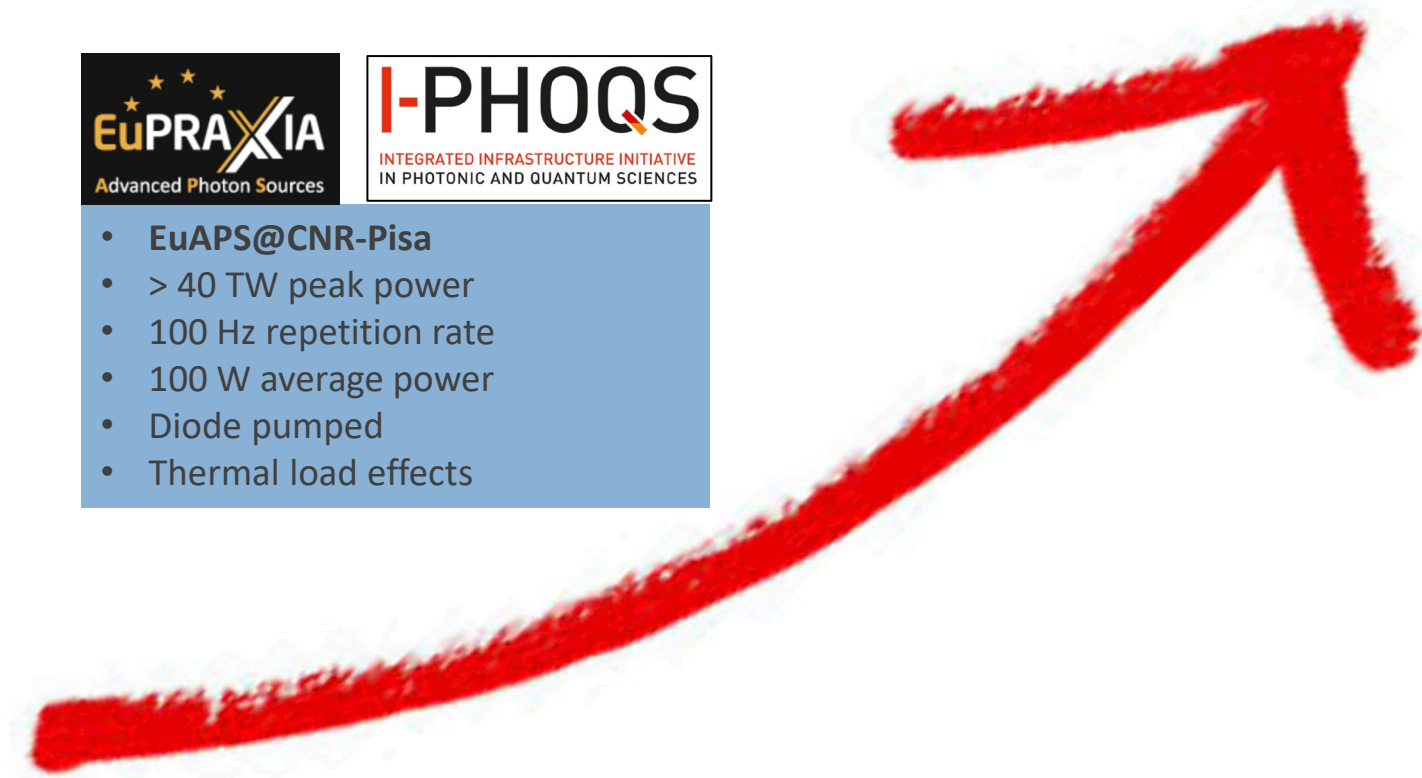
Eupraxia laser development is aimed at delivering more efficient, kW-PW laser driver for plasma acceleration at >100 Hz rate

- **EuPRAXIA**
- PW class,
- 100 Hz repetition rate,
- multi kW average power,
- diode pumped
- Full thermal load transport

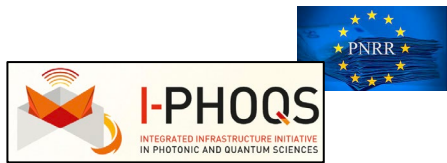
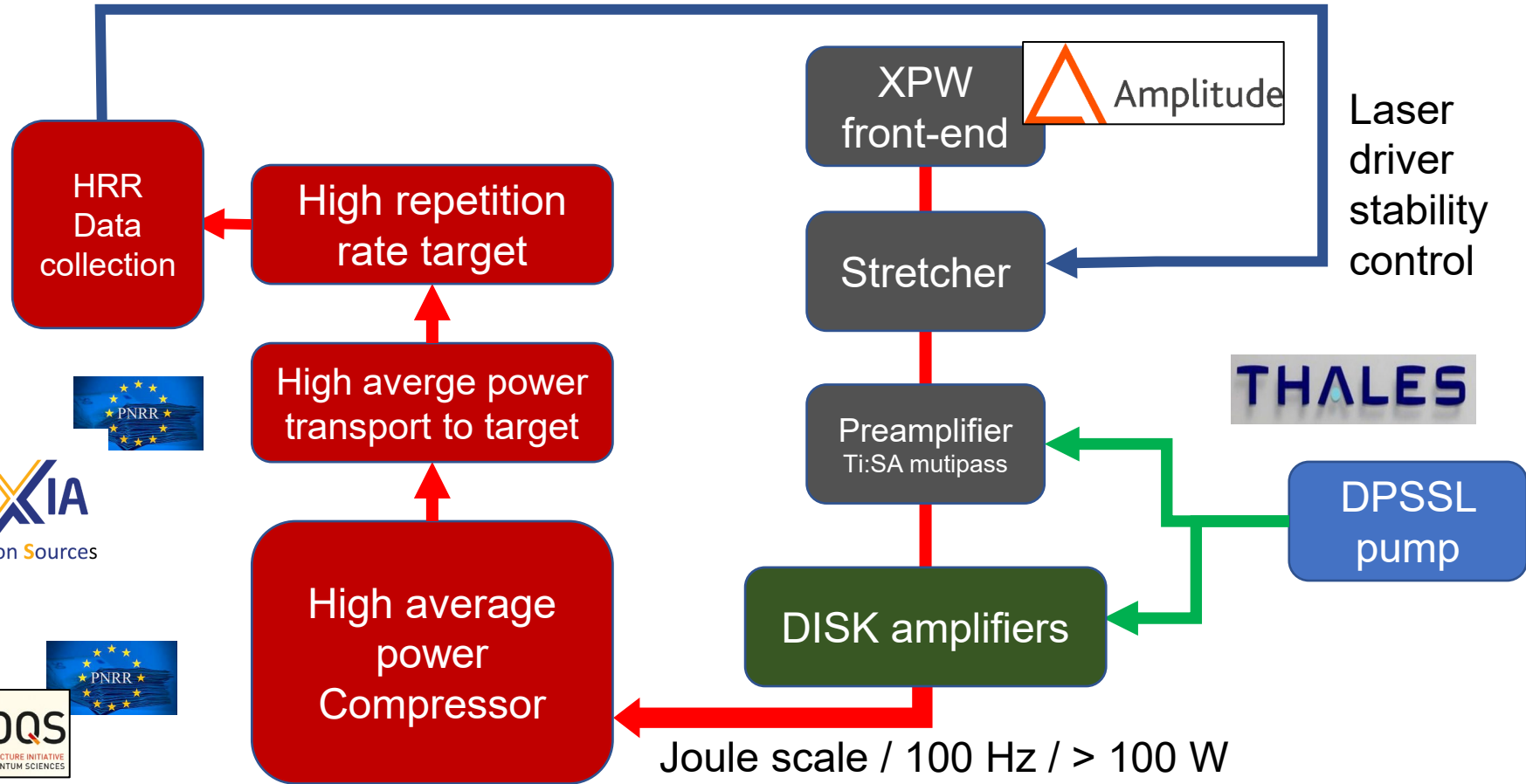


- **EuAPS@CNR-Pisa**
- > 40 TW peak power
- 100 Hz repetition rate
- 100 W average power
- Diode pumped
- Thermal load effects

- **CURRENT**
- PW class,
- Hz repetition rate,
- ≈10 W average power
- flashlamp pumped
- No thermal load transport



100 Hz operation at Joule level pulse energy is outstanding and a unique opportunity to address HAP issues

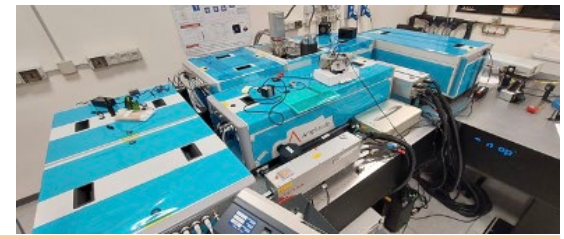
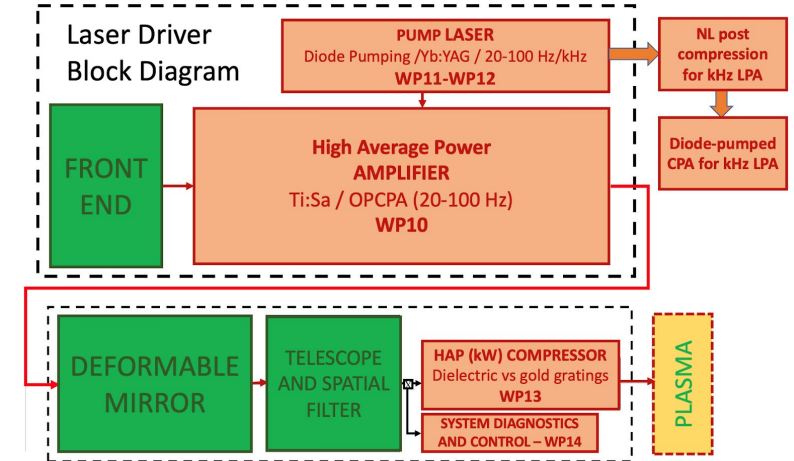
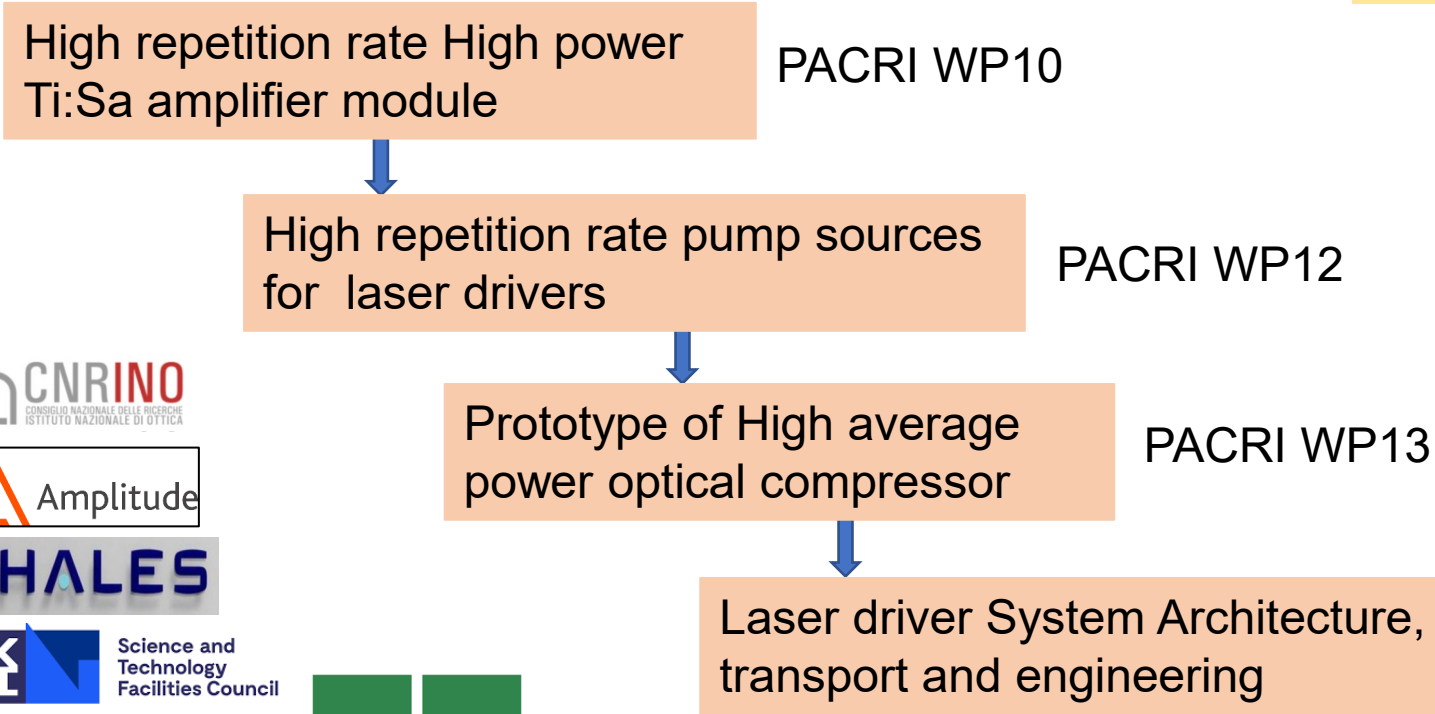


Procurement and preparation in progress



Scaleup of collaborative TDR development of EuPRAXIA Laser

EuPRAXIA laser driver (100 Hz) and longer term options (1 kHz)



Efficient kHz laser driver modules for plasma acceleration

PACRI WP11

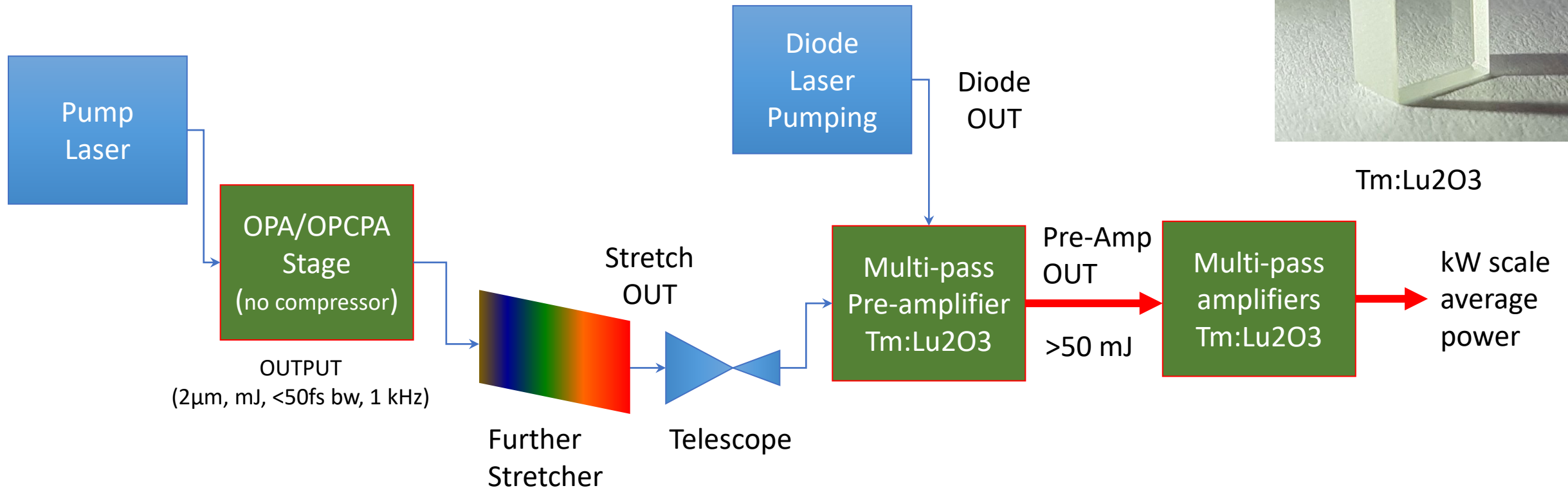
Project PACRI to start on March 1st, 2025



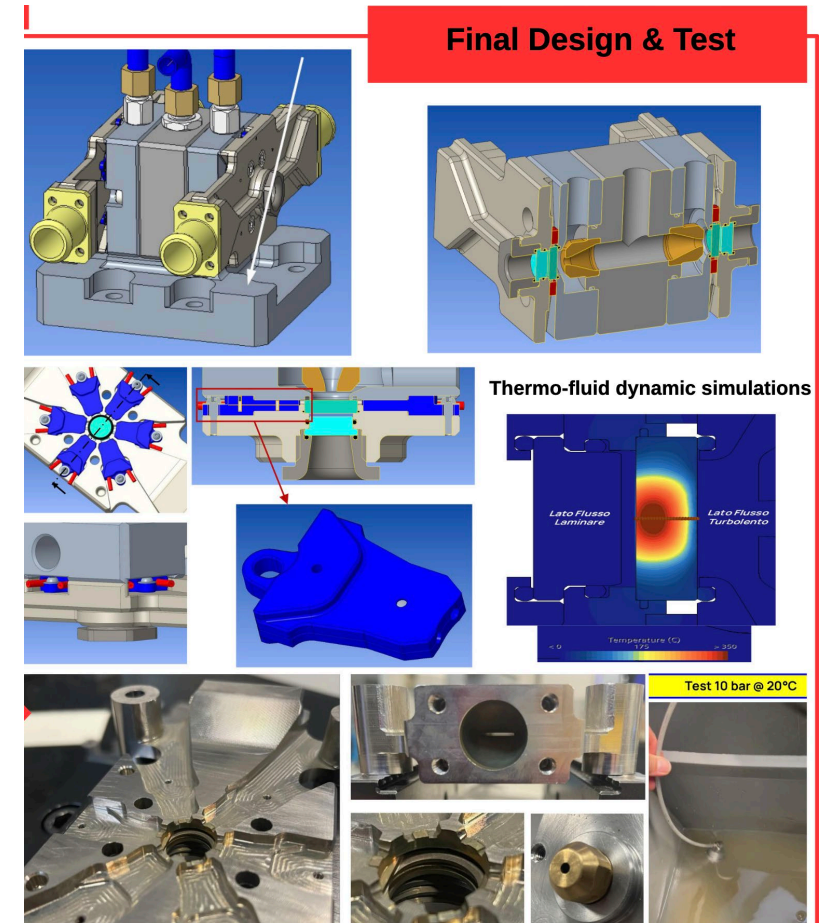
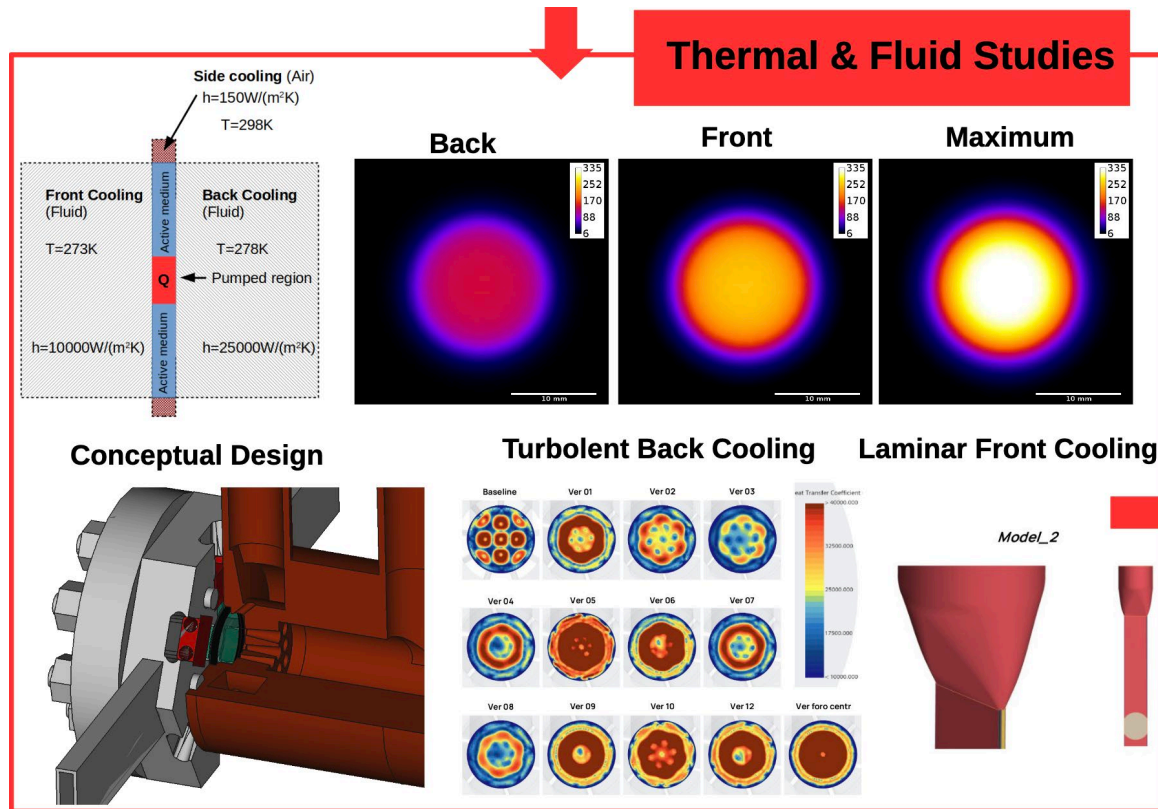
Central Laser Facility



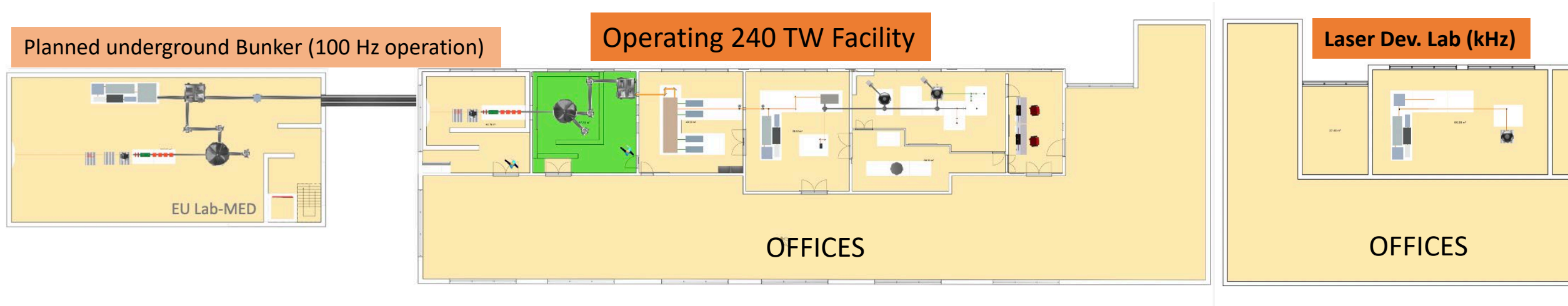
Development of a new laser platform based on fully diode pumped, Thulium-doped CPA amplifiers



Main development effort in amplifier modules "Apollo" project



Next step: thermomechanical tests



ONGOING:

1. Upgrade of existing laser system (240 TW) for enhanced stability and control (100 Hz front-end)
2. New laser systems for high repetition rate operation (100 Hz-1J, 1kHz-20 mJ)
3. New Infrastructure development for user access to beamlines

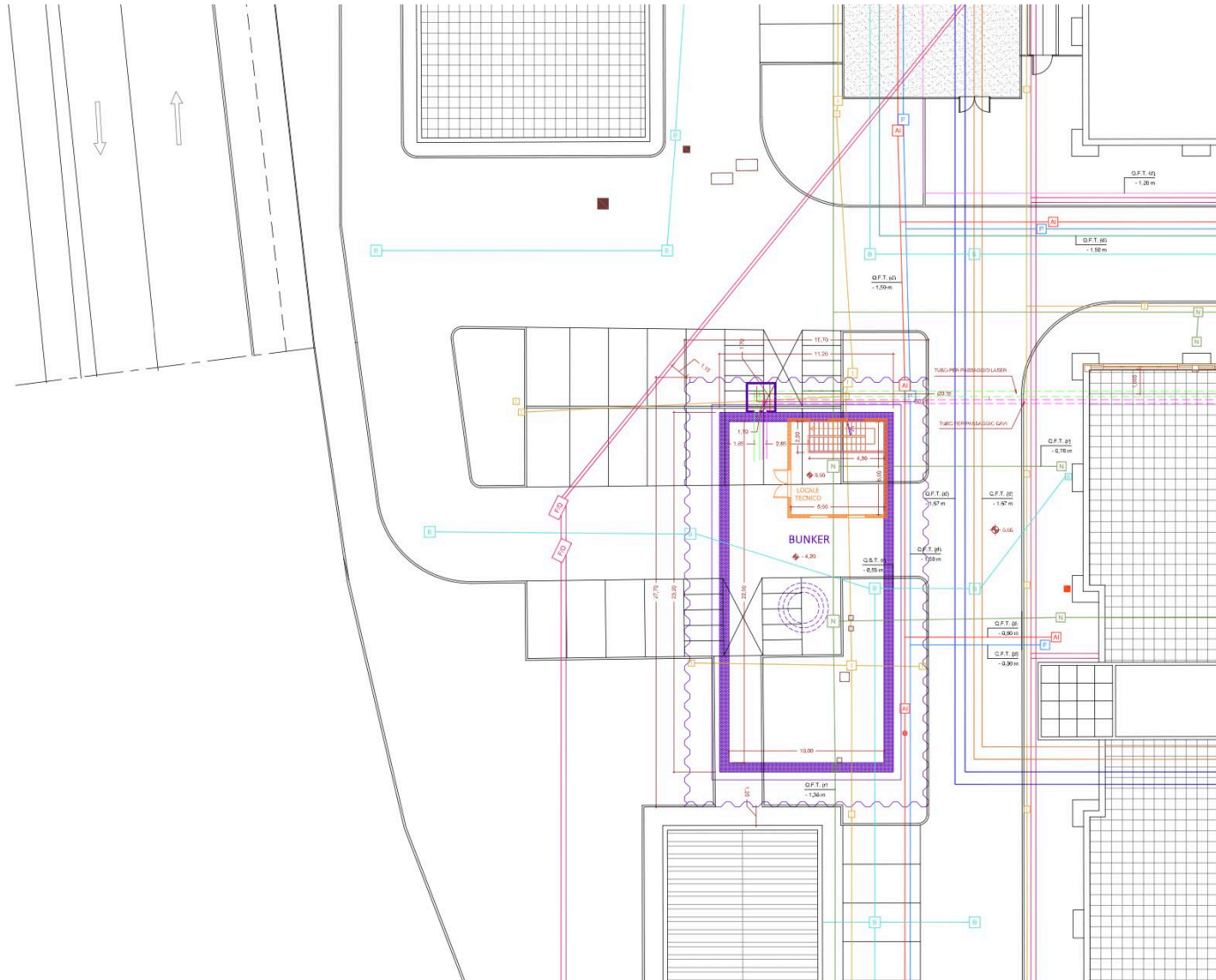
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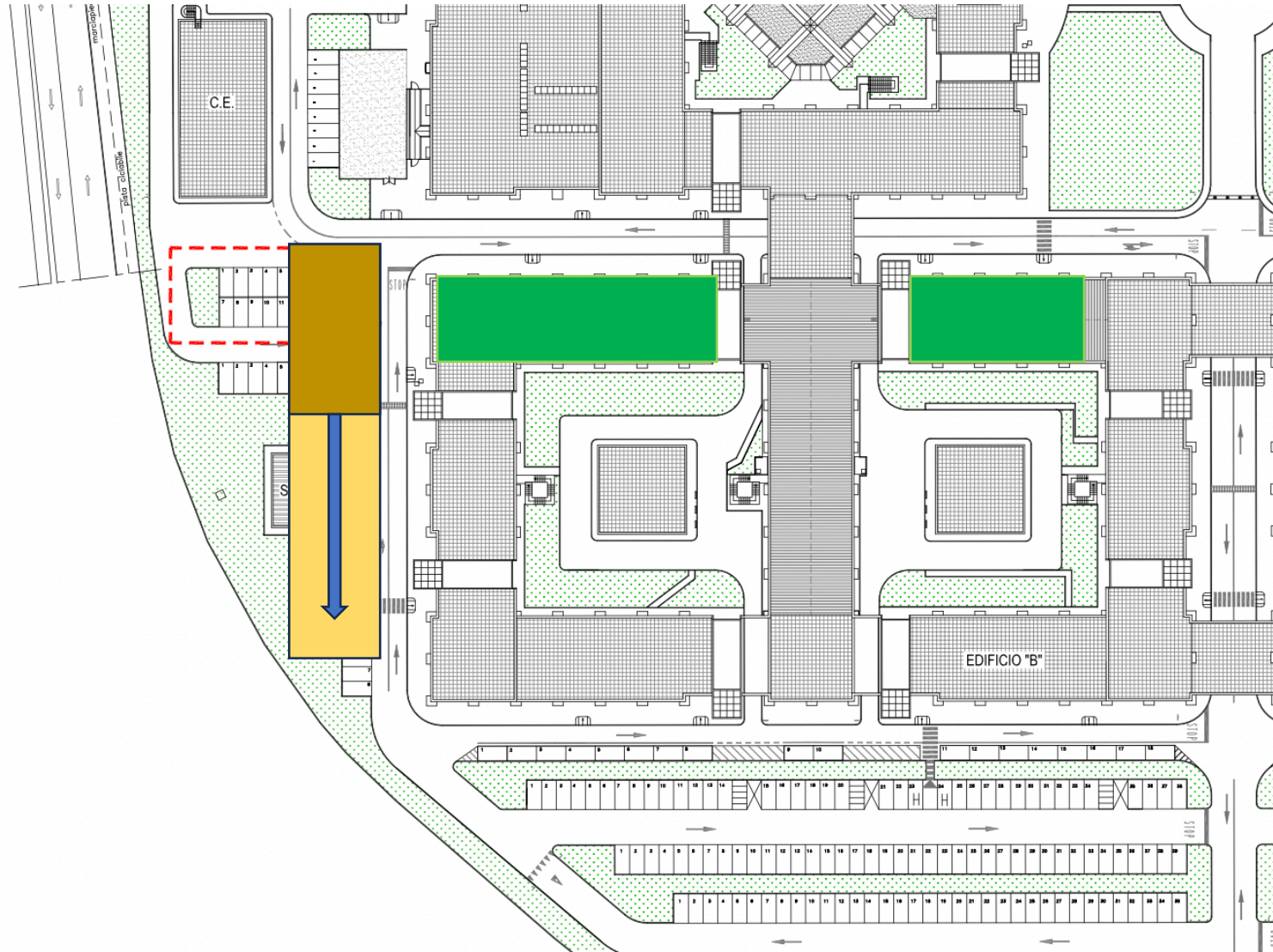


Part of:



New layout finalized.
Now engaging tendering process for construction

New layout:
further
extension of
underground
bunker is now
possible



- Building the 2nd site case on scientific and technological development;
- Following the success of the PP and the significant additional funding from new proposals, higher level support is emerging;
 - National (PNRR) RI are speeding up the establishment of the national cooperation and infrastructure upgrade;
 - CNR headquarters have been engaged with positive feedback;
 - Higher level (ministerial) engagement on hold for discussion on ET.



Thank you

