



ASTERIX

(Accelerating **S**tructures made of multiple **E** sectors In **X**-Band)

3 anni (2025-2027)
Units: LNF, LNS, Roma1

Research line: Accelerators and related technologies

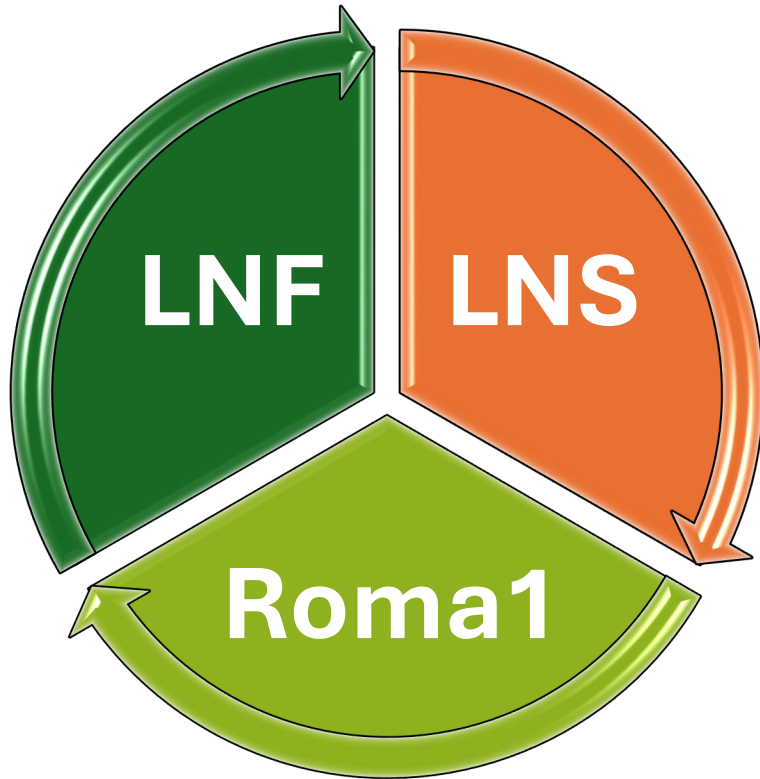
L. Faillace (Resp. Naz.) - LNF

July 09, 2024

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- Support from INFN-LNF Laboratory
 - External Collaborators: V. Dolgashev (SLAC), Tetsuo Abe (KEK)
 - PhD student from the University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

Esperimenti in CSN5 correlati:
MICRON (2022-2024)
ARYA (2020-2023)
DEMETRA (LNF/LNS)

ASTERIX team



Total FTE
5.35

LNF	FTE	LNS	FTE	Roma1	FTE
L. Faillace (Resp. Naz.)	0.4	G. Torrisi (RL)	0.1	L. Ficcadenti (RL)	0.3
D. Alesini	0.2	D. Mascali	0.05	M. Petrarca	0.2
M. Bellaveglia	0.05	G. Mauro	0.1	M. Migliorati	0.2
S. Bini	0.2	G. Sorbello	0.2	G. Silvi	0.2
F. Cardelli	0.3	T. Isernia	0.3	L. Palumbo	0.4
M. Carillo	0.2	R. Palmeri	0.3		
E. Chiadroni	0.2	A. Locatelli	0.1		
A. Falone	0.2	C. De Angelis	0.1		
A. Gallo	0.15	L. Vincetti	0.1		
A. Giribono	0.2				
A. Liedl	0.1				
L. Piersanti	0.1				
S. Pioli	0.2				
B. Spataro	0				
C. Vaccarezza	0.2				
Tot./Unit	2.7		1.35		1.3

Motivation

The ***Accelerating gradient*** is the key parameter for the design, construction and cost of future linear accelerators



Linacs must be **reliable** and **cost-effective**

- World-wide intense and systematic research (SLAC/INFN/KEK/CERN/Tsinghua Uni) on high-gradient accelerating RF structures started with the investment for the construction of normal-conducting linear colliders, new generation X-FELs, etc.
- In order to be feasible the design of linear colliders posed a minimum value on the accelerating gradient → **100 MV/m**.

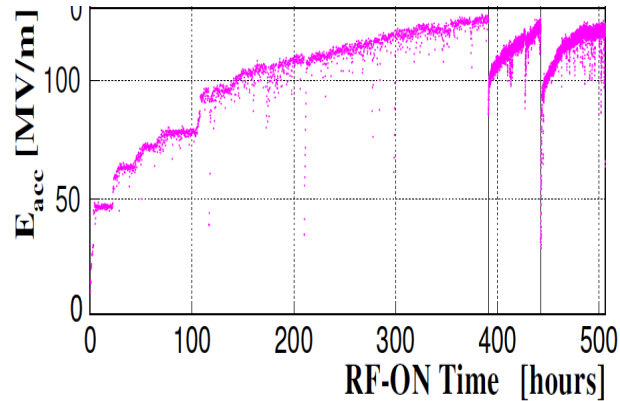
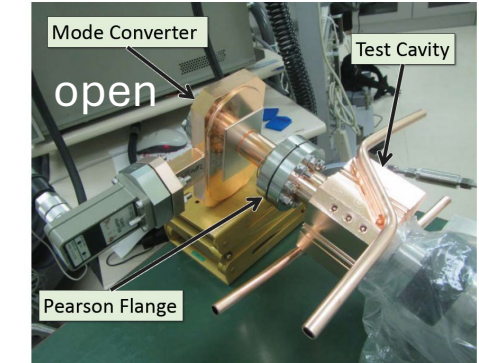
Research Context

- Framework of a continuous more-than-two-decade-long collaboration on the study of RF structures with increasing accelerating gradients and the **RF breakdown physics**: SLAC (USA), INFN-LNF and KEK (Japan)
- Study of various geometries, materials, surface processing techniques and technological developments of **advanced accelerating structures working in X-band** (11 – 12 GHz):
 1. This research is strongly required by a demand for ever more **advanced accelerating structures**, with **accelerating gradients well-above 100 MV/m**, since higher efficiency and robust manufacturing play a major role for the next generation of linear particle accelerators for research;
 2. These structures are made of hard copper and **hard copper alloys** → better high-gradient performance;
 3. Different geometries, e.g. **“open-type” structures** (two halves, four quadrants, etc.)
 4. Alternative **“brazo-free” joining techniques**, e.g. EBW and TIG welding.

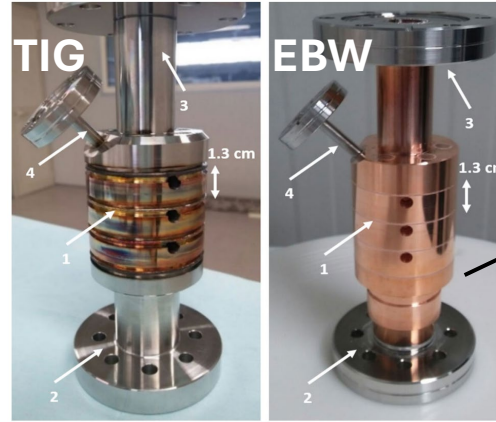
Applications: future linear colliders; existing and new-generation X-FELs, such as EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB; industrial, and medical applications.

State-of-the-art

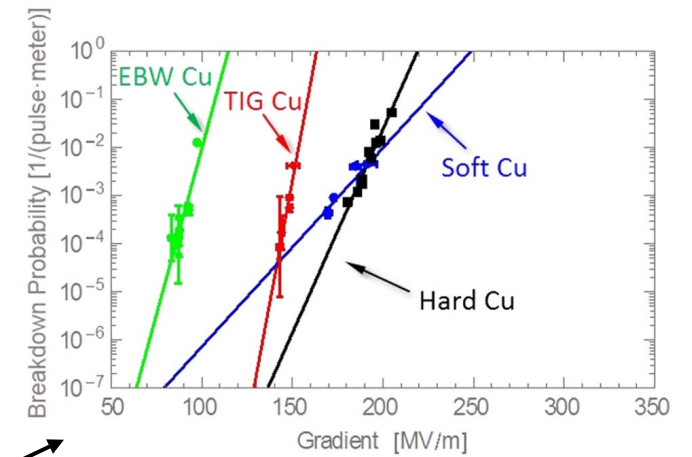
1. "Single-cell" cavities (open and closed; disk-type and multi-sector)



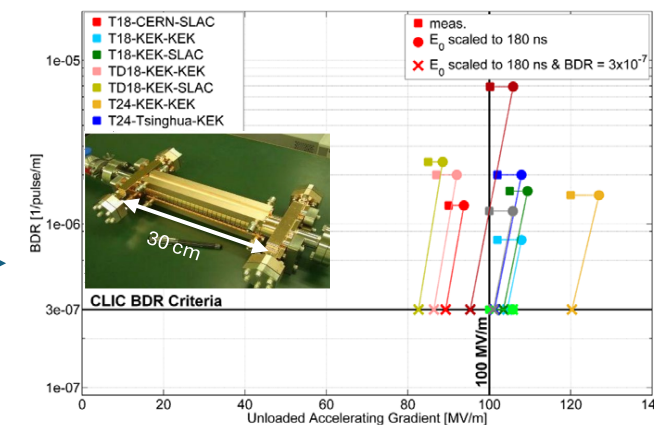
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Dolgashov VA, Faillace L, Spataro B, Tantawi S, Bonifazi R. High-gradient rf tests of welded X-band accelerating cavities. Physical Review Accelerators and Beams. 2021 Aug 10;24(8):081002.

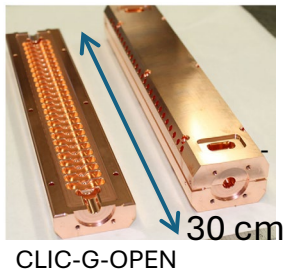


2. TW multi-cell structures (open and closed; disk-type and multi-sector)



3. Open-type multi-sector cavities, typically of small lengths (20- 25 cm).

- SLAC/CERN 2018
- X-band
- 2 halves, open structure
- Brazed
- High-power tested:
- Gradient: 100 MV/m with 200 ns pulse length.



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- KEK (Tetsuo Abe) 2023
- X-band
- 4 quadrants
- EBW welding
- To be High-power tested.

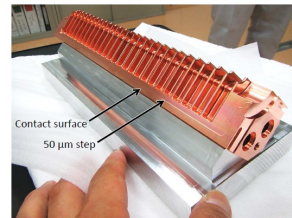


Figure 3: A quadrant fabricated with ultraprecision milling.

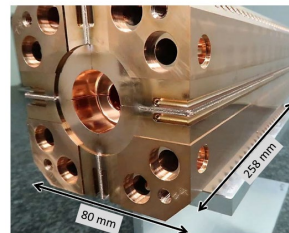
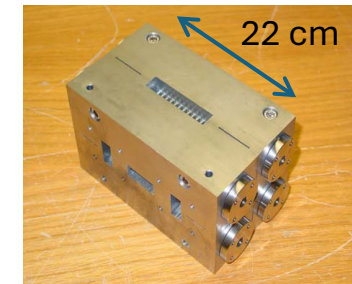


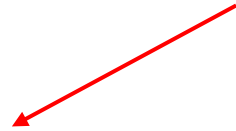
Figure 4: Photograph of the quadrants after the EBW.



- CERN 2007
- X-band
- 4 quadrants
- Clamped, high T-treated
- High-power Tested:
- Gradient: 80 MV/m with 40 ns pulse length.

Goal

ASTERIX stands apart from state-of-the-art



First-time demonstration of **practical, meter-long**, X-band RF accelerating structure for real linear accelerators:

Requirement to be competitive among the world-wide collaboration

- high **accelerating gradients** (>100 MV/m);

- cancellation of the dipole and quadrupole EM field components, detrimental for the beam dynamics
- improved pumping speed and easy insertion of HOM absorbers (in case of multi-bunch operation)

- composed of **four-quadrants** (“open-type”);

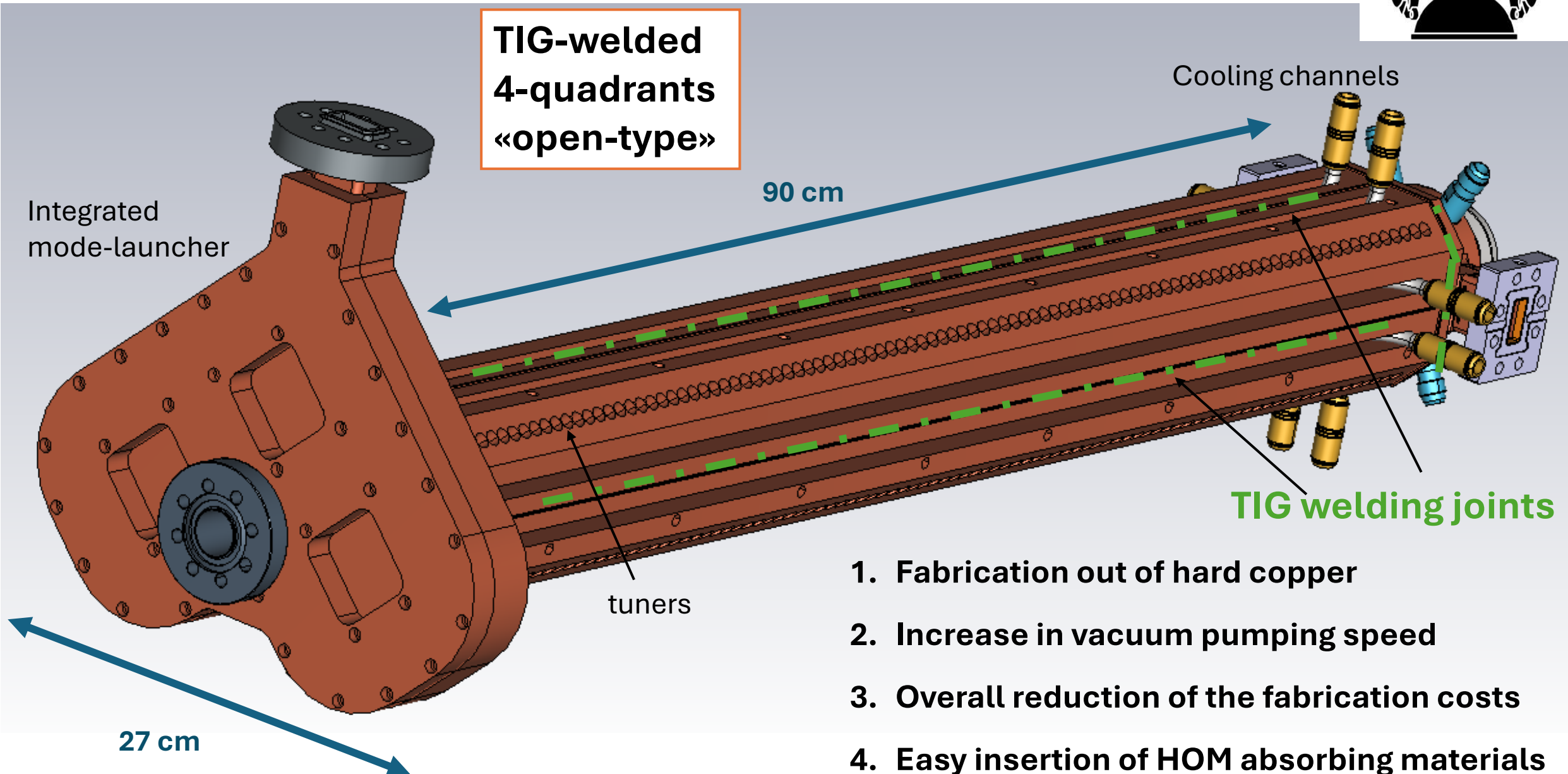
- made out **hard copper**;

Superior high-gradient performance, compared with soft copper

- joined and vacuum sealed by using **TIG welding** (“braze-free” technique).

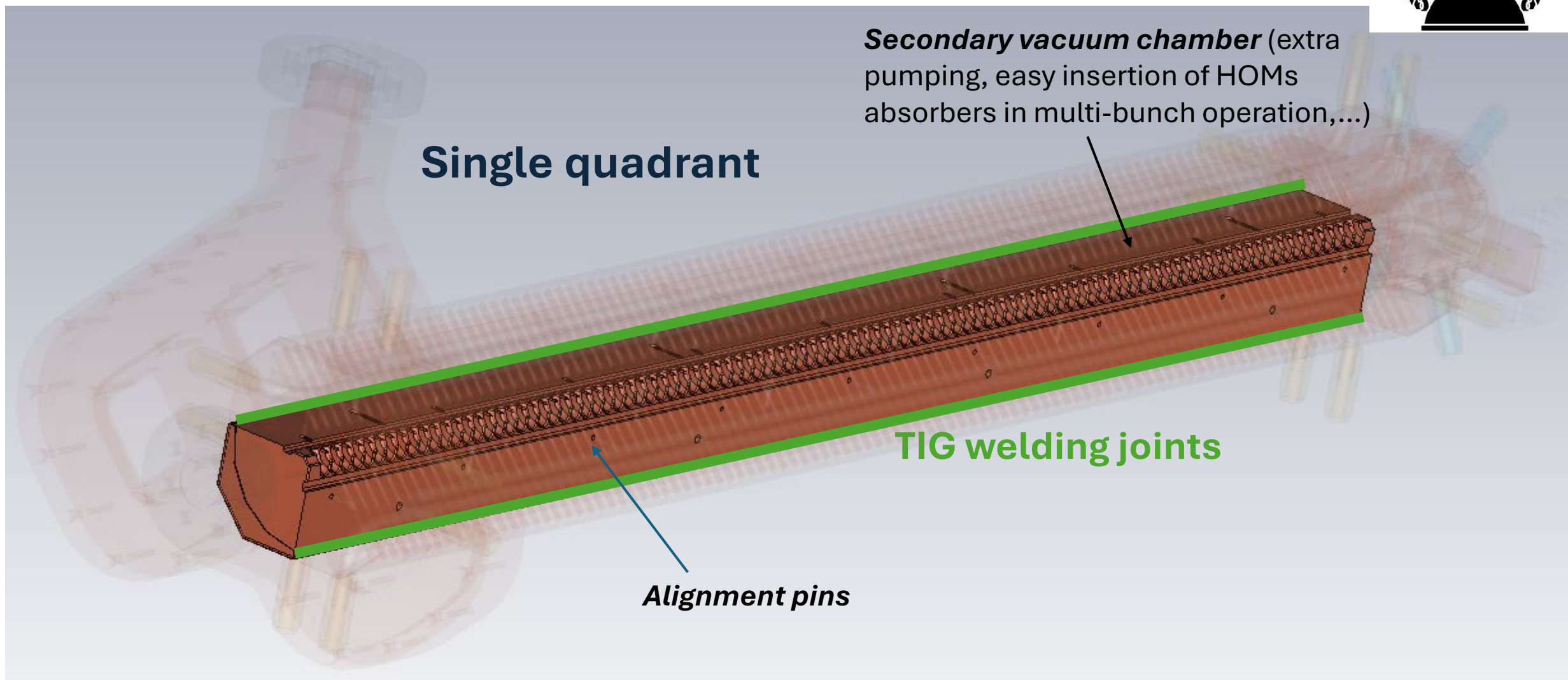
cost-effective and robust manufacturing.

Full TW multi-cell X-band structure

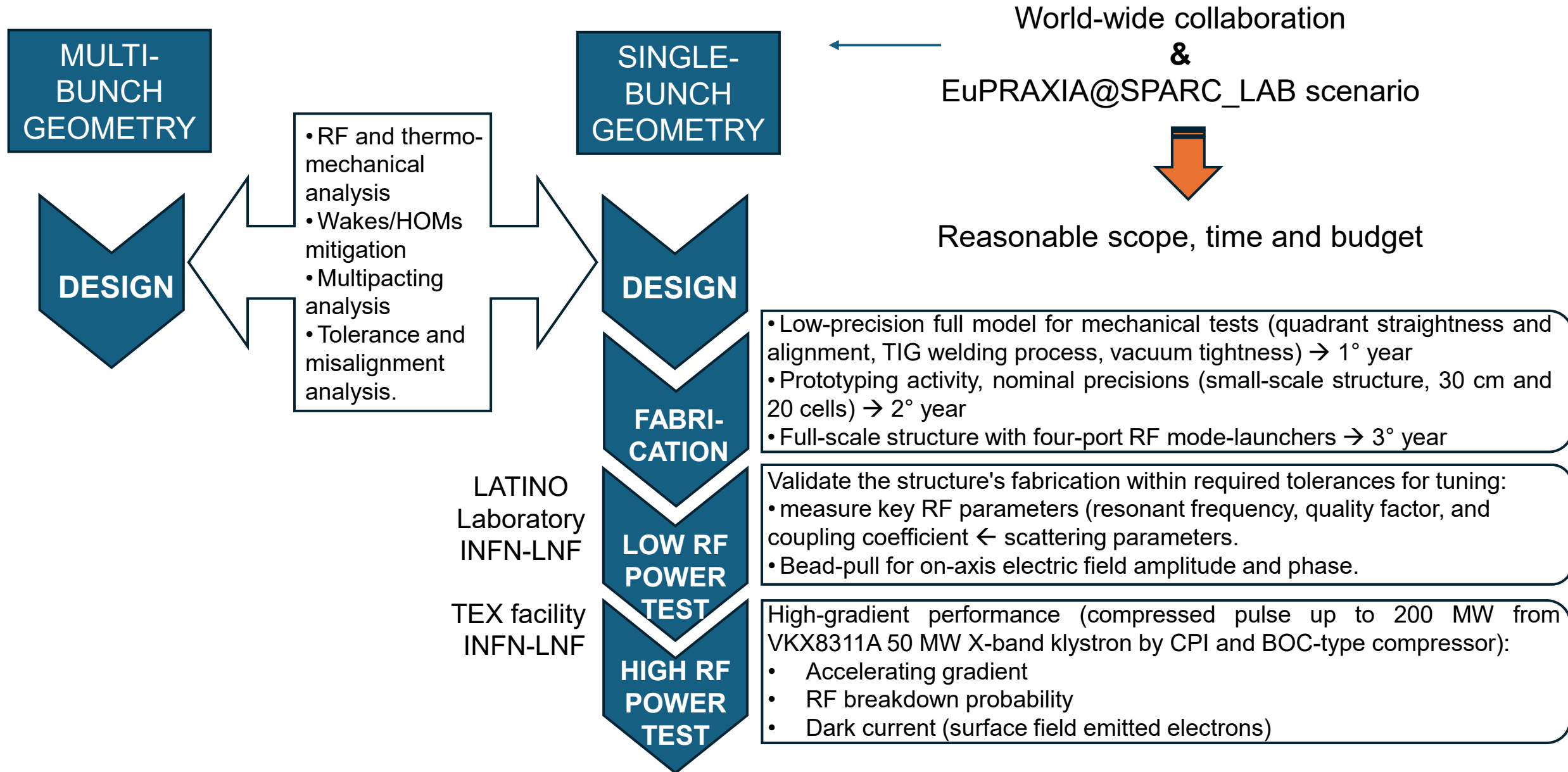


1. Fabrication out of hard copper
2. Increase in vacuum pumping speed
3. Overall reduction of the fabrication costs
4. Easy insertion of HOM absorbing materials

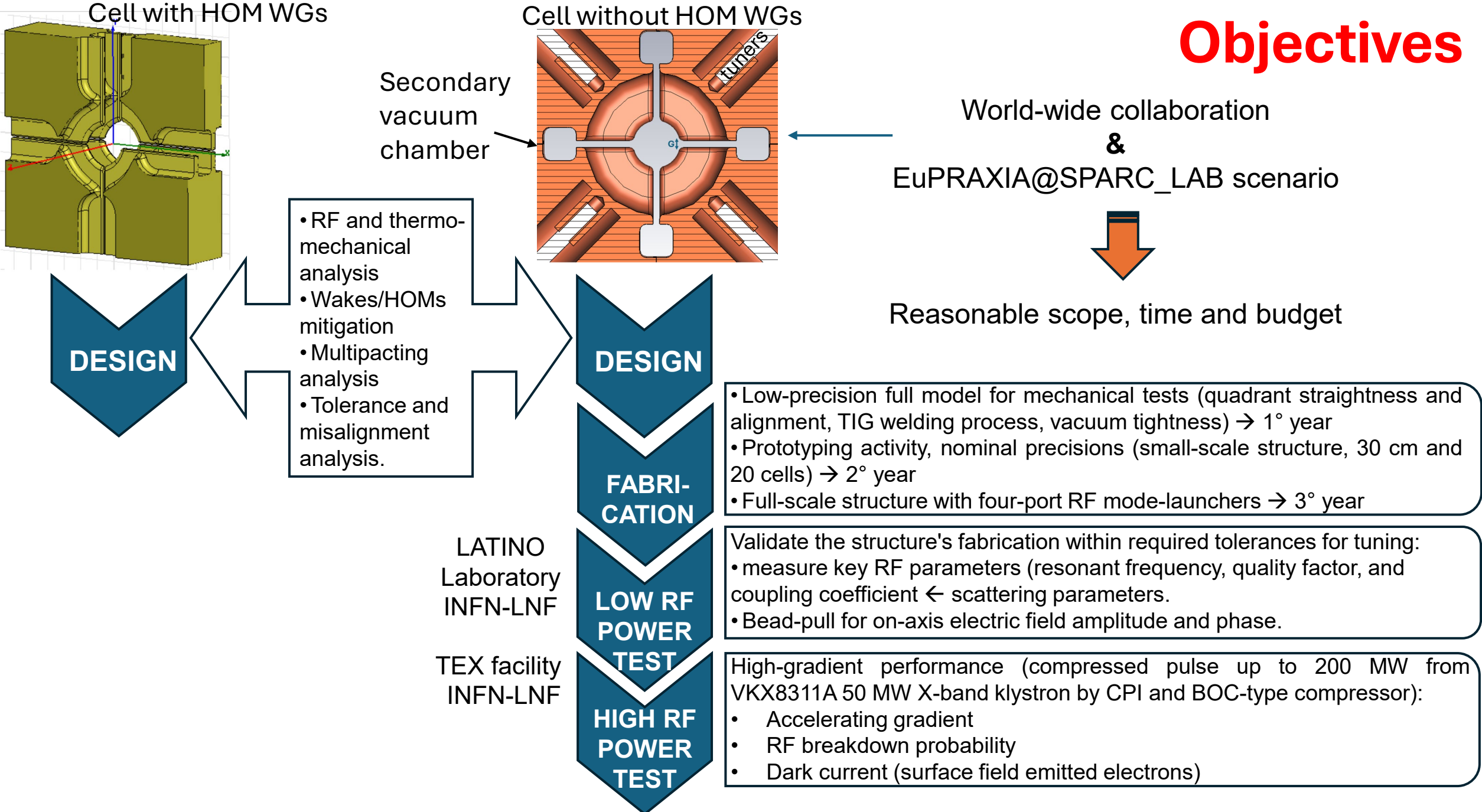
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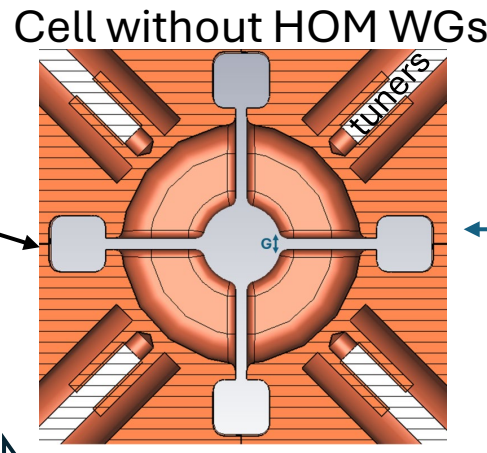
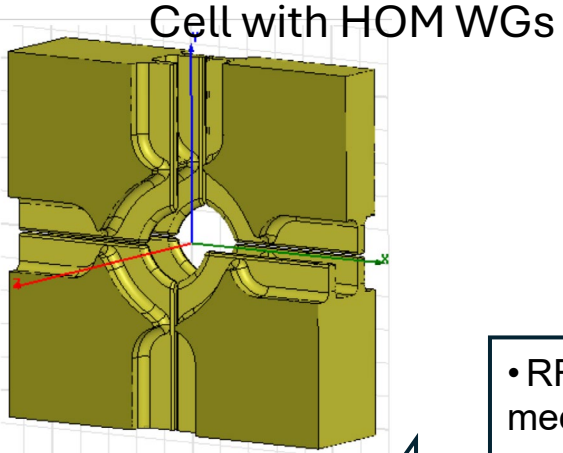
Objectives



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Secondary vacuum chamber

World-wide collaboration & EuPRAXIA@SPARC_LAB scenario



Reasonable scope, time and budget

- RF and thermo-mechanical analysis
- Wakes/HOMs mitigation
- Multipacting analysis
- Tolerance and misalignment analysis.

DESIGN

- Limited time, budget
- Future experiments
- Version 2.0
- Asterix & Obelix

DESIGN

FABRI-CATION

LOW RF POWER TEST

HIGH RF POWER TEST

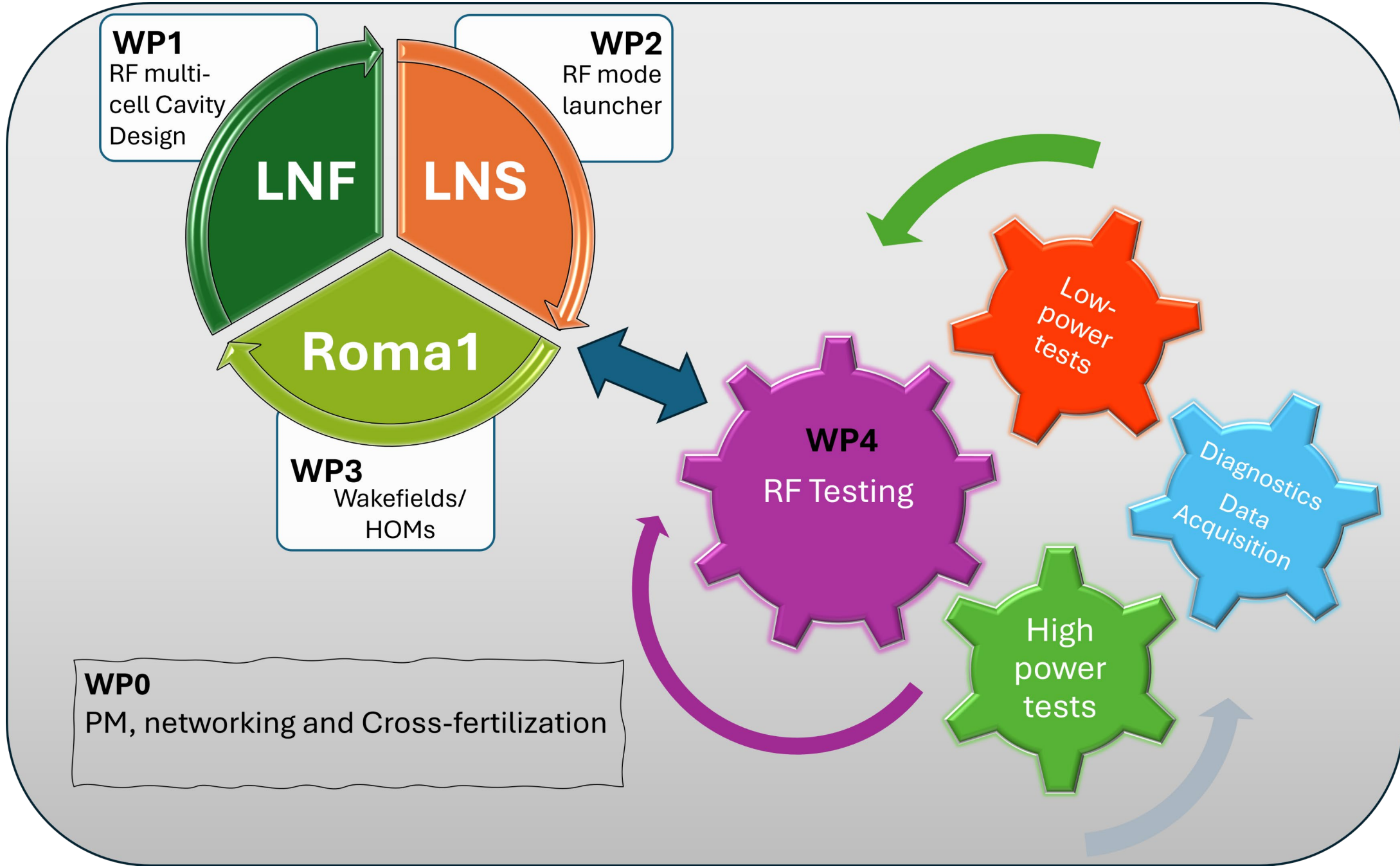
- Low-precision full model for mechanical tests (quadrant straightness and alignment, TIG welding process, vacuum tightness) → 1° year
- Prototyping activity, nominal precisions (small-scale structure, 30 cm and 20 cells) → 2° year
- Full-scale structure with four-port RF mode-launchers → 3° year

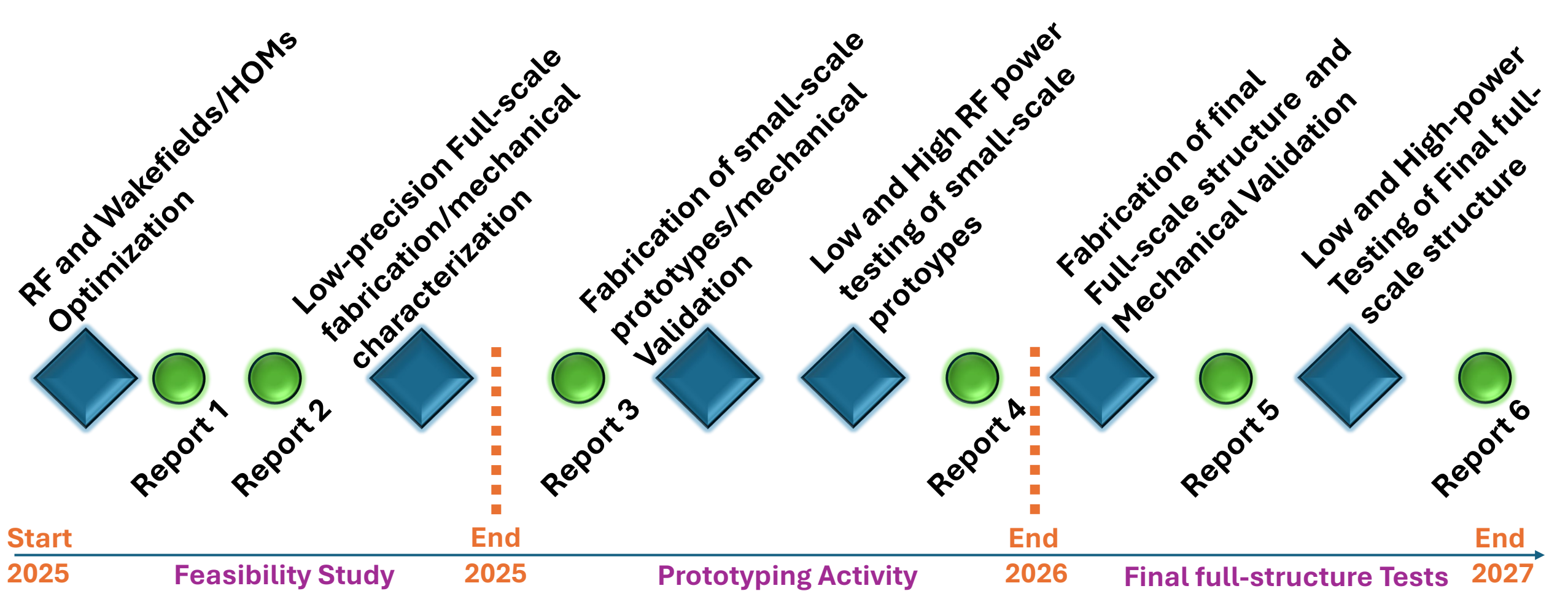
- Validate the structure's fabrication within required tolerances for tuning:
- measure key RF parameters (resonant frequency, quality factor, and coupling coefficient ← scattering parameters).
 - Bead-pull for on-axis electric field amplitude and phase.

- High-gradient performance (compressed pulse up to 200 MW from VKX8311A 50 MW X-band klystron by CPI and BOC-type compressor):
- Accelerating gradient
 - RF breakdown probability
 - Dark current (surface field emitted electrons)

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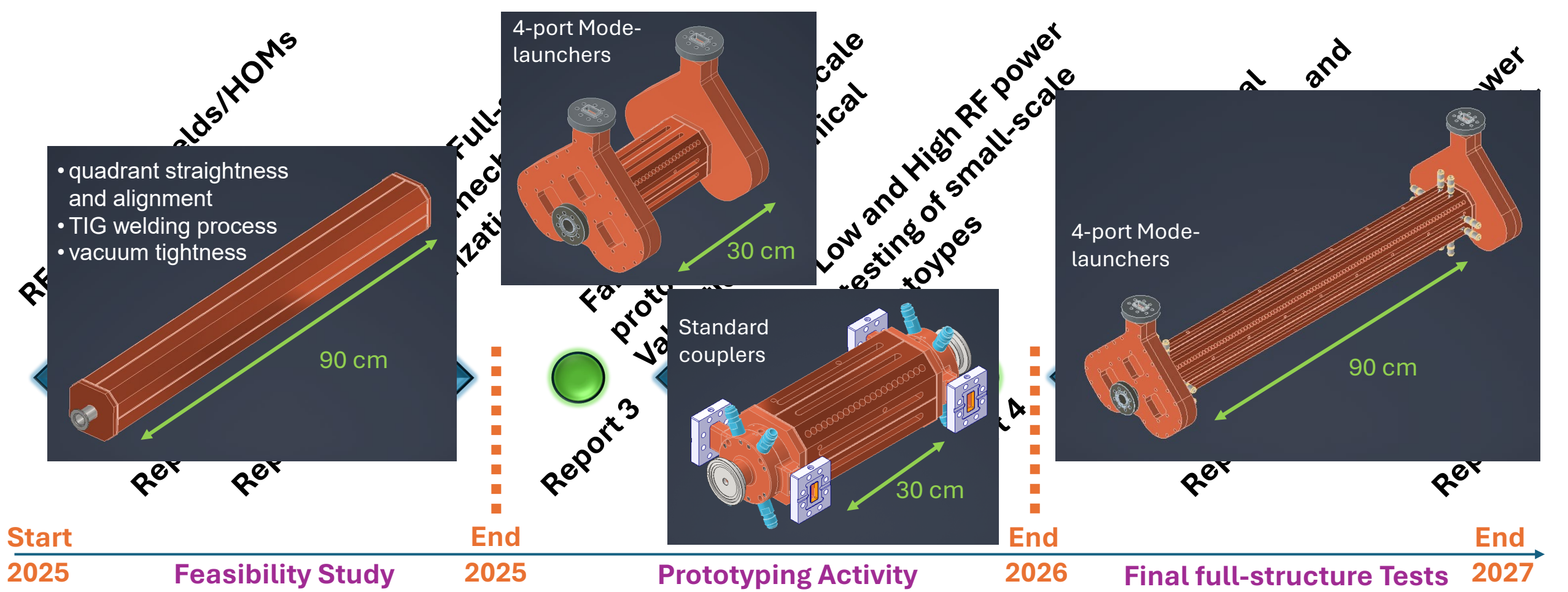




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4. Report of the low/high RF power testing of the small-scale structures;
5. Report of the Mechanical Engineering of the Full Structure with with ad-hoc integrated RF Mode Launcher couplers;
6. Final Report of low and High RF power testing of final full-scale structure.



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Budget

YEAR		Cost	Quantity	INFN Units	
1	Software License – CST Microwave Studio	€ 31,000.00	2.00	LNF/LNS	Ask for advance
	Inventariabile (Workstation)	€ 6,000.00		LNF	Ask for advance
	Consumabili	€ 35,000.00			
	Missions	€ 4,500.00		LNF/LNS/Roma1	
	TOT. 1st year	€ 76,500.00			
2	Consumabili	€ 70,000.00		LNF	Prototyping (max 30 cm)
	Cavi+WG adapters, 2xRF power loads	€ 56,500.00		LNF	Activity: Cavity+MLs
	2xFCs	€ 4,800.00		LNF	
	Turbopump and Scroll	€ 8,000.00		LNF	
	Missions	€ 12,000.00		LNF/LNS/Roma1	
	TOT. 2nd year	€ 151,300.00			
3	Consumabili	€ 130,000.00		LNF	Full structure (90 cm)
	Missions	€ 12,000.00		LNF/LNS/Roma1	
	TOT. 3rd year	€ 142,000.00			
TOT		€ 369,800.00			

Thanks for your attention!

