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PARTICLE SOURCES AND TARGETS

LINE OF RESEARCH

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Possible topics and areas of interest:

- Future Circular Collider e^+e^- (FCC-ee)
 - Machine-Detector Interface optimization, background assessment and shielding design
 - luminosity monitoring and control
 - hybrid crystal-based e^+ source
- Plasma Wakefield acceleration in nanostructures
- Curved crystals for particle accelerators
- Muon Collider
 - materials for ionization cooling cells

THE FCC INTEGRATED PROJECT

The **Future Circular Collider** (FCC) is a comprehensive **long-term program** aimed at maximizing physics opportunities.

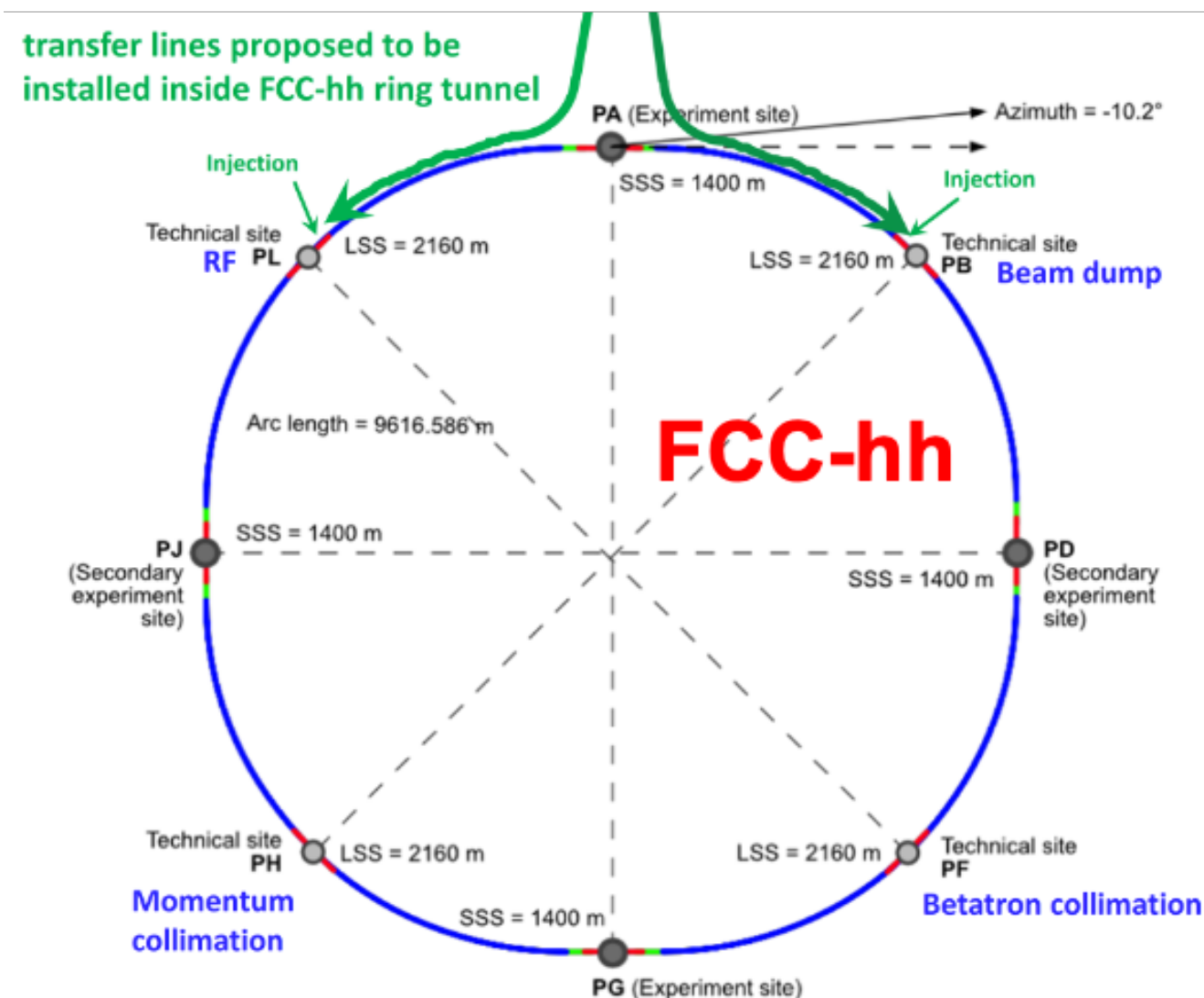
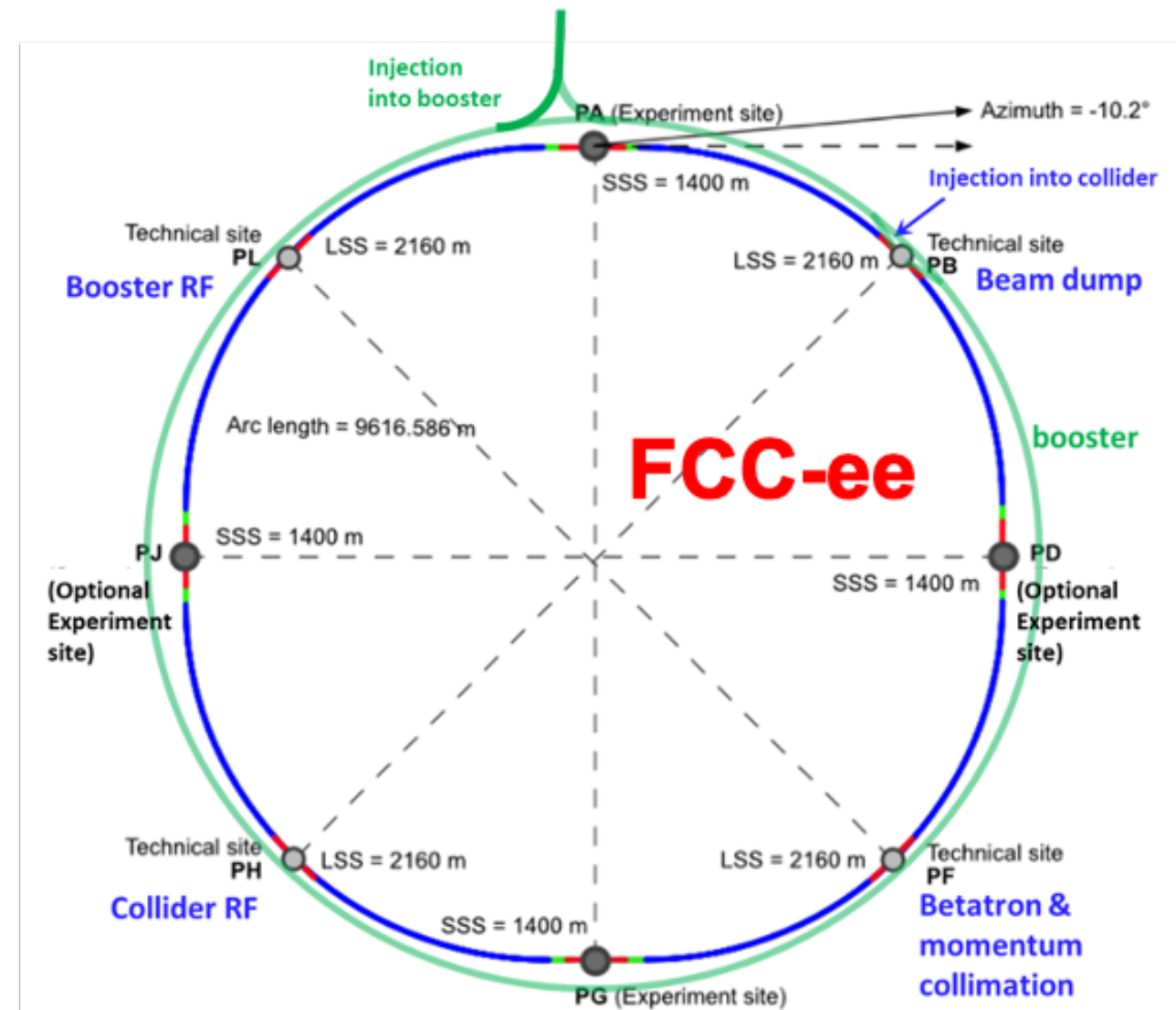
The integrated program envisions **two accelerator machines**:

- 1st stage: **FCC-ee** (Z, W, H, Top)
- extremely **high luminosity** Higgs factory, EW, top factory

- 2nd stage: **FCC-hh** (~100 TeV c.o.m. energy)
- natural evolution, pushing the **energy frontier**
 - pp and AA collisions, possibility for ep / e-ion

Strong synergy between the two colliders: **common** facilities and infrastructures, **complementary** physics programme.

The FCC Integrated Project allows the start of a **new major HEP programme at CERN** within a few years of the end of HL-LHC.



- Collaboration to FCC funded by INFN, strong Italian team contributing to many key areas
- LNF (solely in INFN) in FCCIS EU-H2020 project, Task Leader in MDI design, 2020-24
- R&D project to build a prototype of the FCC-Interaction Region has just started in Frascati

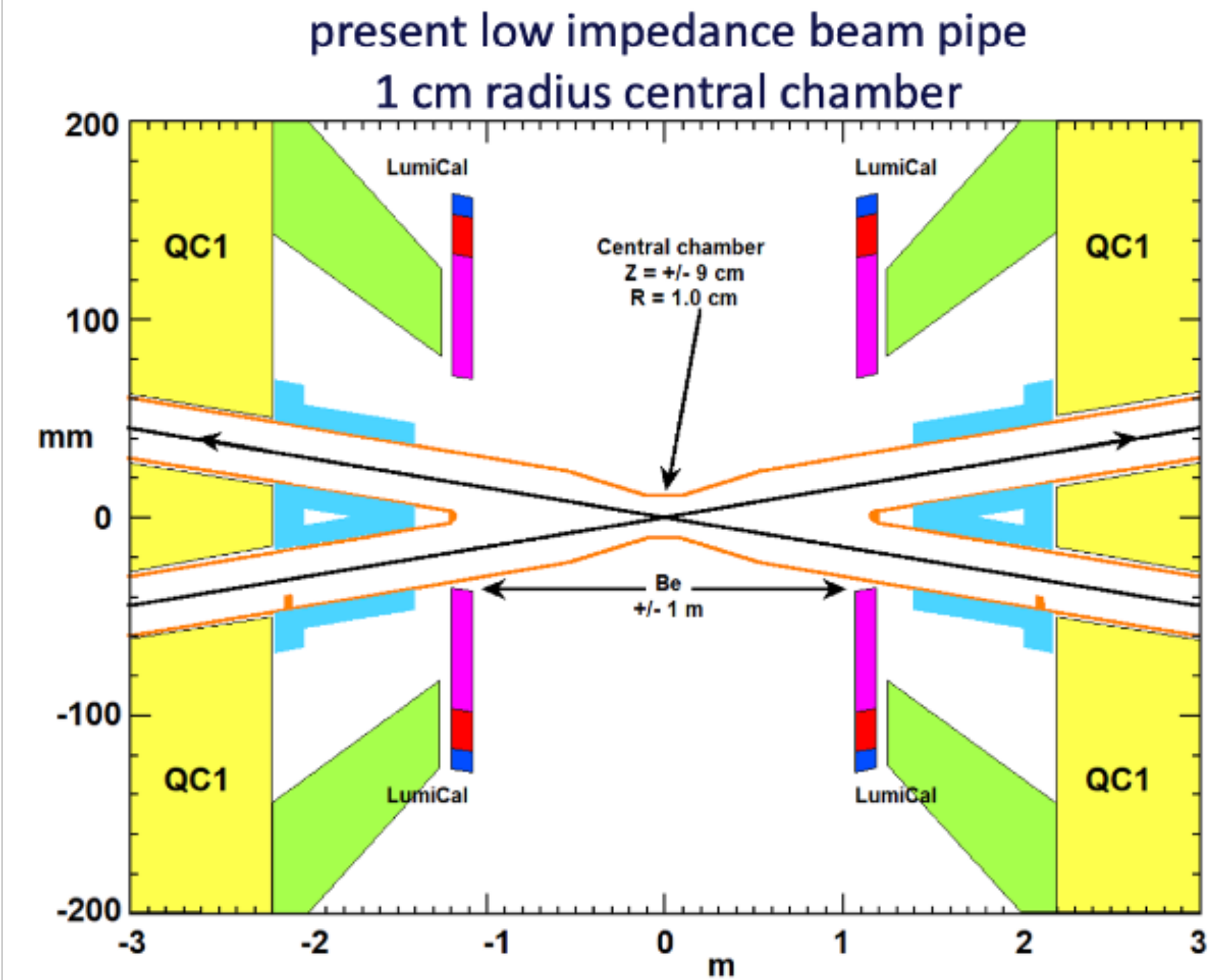
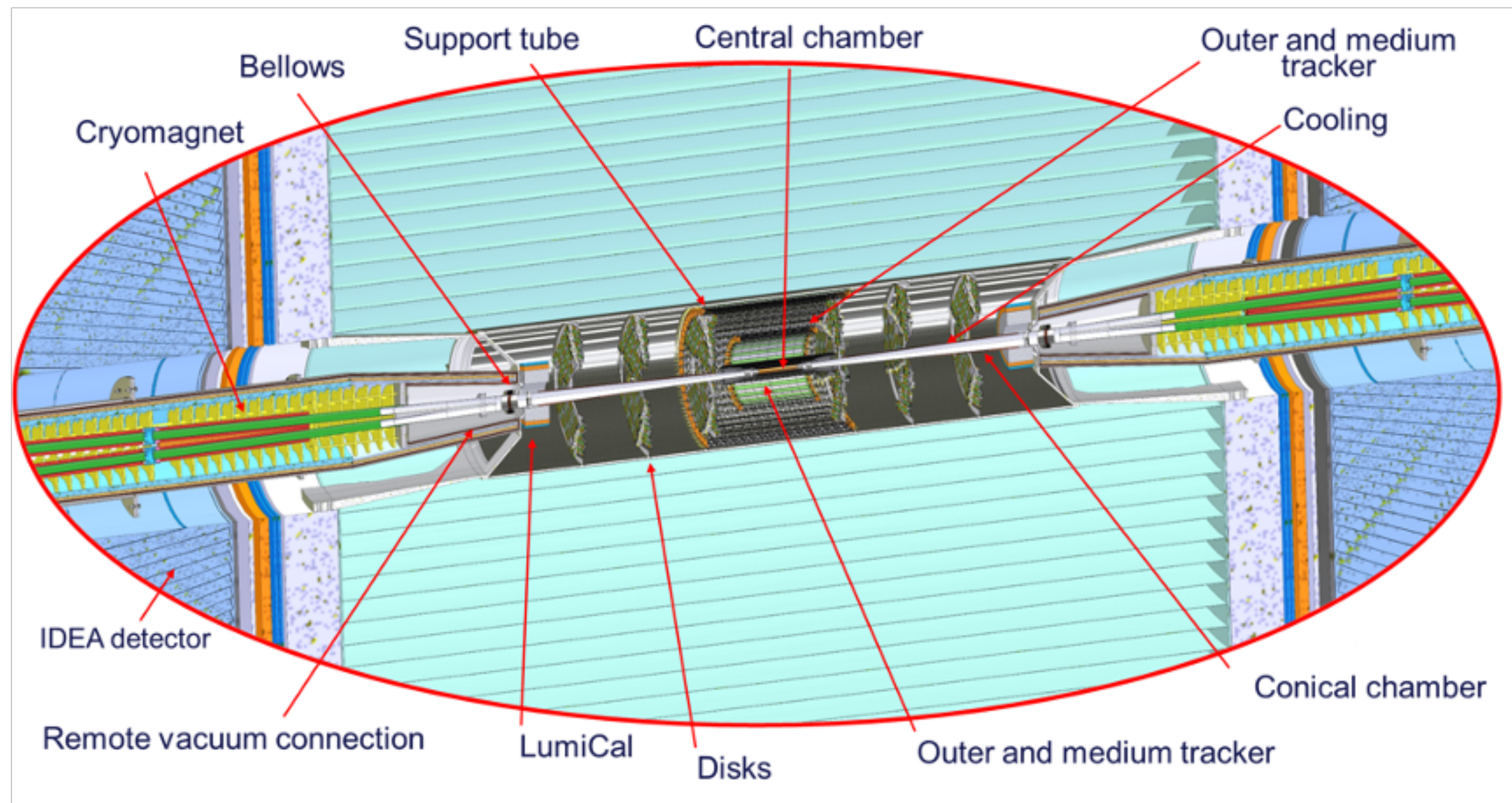
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MACHINE-DETECTOR INTERFACE AT FCC-ee

FCC-ee MDI is a region **dense with elements** – and mechanical constraints!

- $L^* = 2.2\text{m}$, 30mrad crossing angle
- **SiW LumiCal** – measure forward bhabhas in **50~100mrad** acceptance
- **-5T anti-solenoid** at $s = \pm 1.23\text{m}$ to cancel **coupling from detector 2T field**
- **Cryostats** for anti-solenoids and SC final focus quadrupoles
- **Central Chamber**: $R=10\text{mm}$, $L=18\text{cm}$
- **Support tube** in carbon fiber for **Vertex/Inner Tracker integration**

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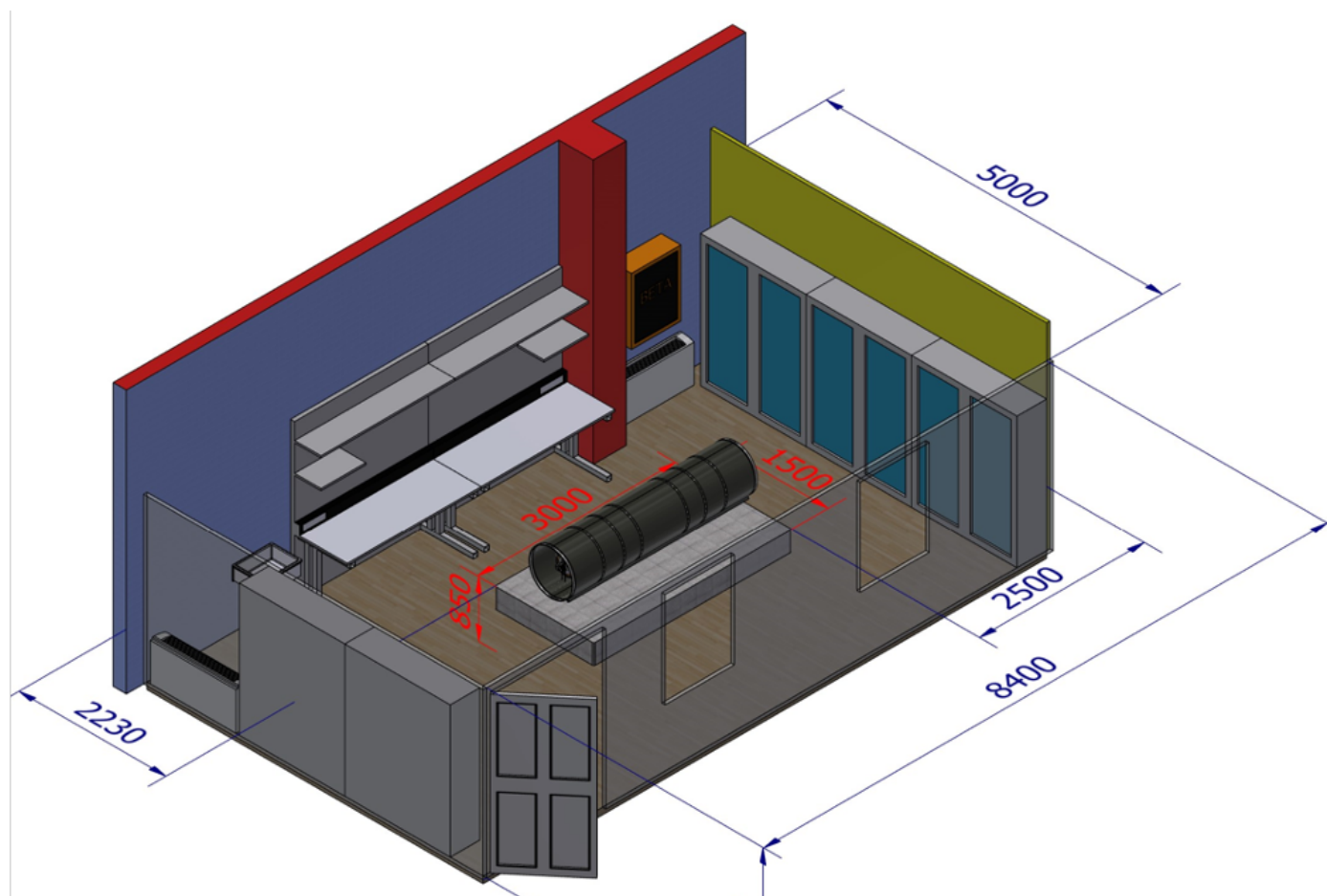


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Goals of the research program include:

- optimization of the **FCC-ee interaction region**, considering basic constraints from the detector
- design of **shieldings and absorbers** for the experimental environment
- simulations to assess **detector backgrounds** levels and tolerability
- study **IR optics** with tracking tools (e.g. MAD-X, XSuite) and simulation of **background generation processes**
- **benchmark with existing machines** like SuperKEKB (Tsukuba, Japan) and DAFNE (Frascati)



Aluminum central chamber prototype for cooling tests @ INFN-LNF

Activities on FCC-ee Machine-Detector Interface based at the **INFN Frascati National Laboratories** (INFN-LNF).

- ◆ R&D Activity co-funded by INFN & CERN started to build a **IR Mockup** in Frascati for central and conical chambers ($\pm 1.2\text{m}$) and support tube
 - ▶ **assembly strategy** feasibility
 - ▶ **cooling system** thermal/hydraulical characterization
 - ▶ cables and cooling pipes fitting

M. Boscolo, F. Palla, et al., Mechanical model for the FCC-ee MDI, EPJ+ Techn. and Instr., <https://doi.org/10.1140/epjti/s40485-023-00103-7>
 M. Boscolo and A. Ciarma, PRAB 26, 111002 (2023), [link](#)
 M. Boscolo et al., Status of the IR and MDI of the FCC-ee, IPAC23, 7-12May 2023 <https://www.ipac23.org/preproc/pdf/MOPA091.pdf>
 M. Boscolo, H. Burkhardt, K. Oide, M.K. Sullivan, EPJ+ (2021) <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1140/epjp/s13360-021-02031-5>

MACHINE-DETECTOR INTERFACE AT FCC-ee: POSSIBLE PHD THESIS (1)

Measurement and control of the luminosity at FCC-ee

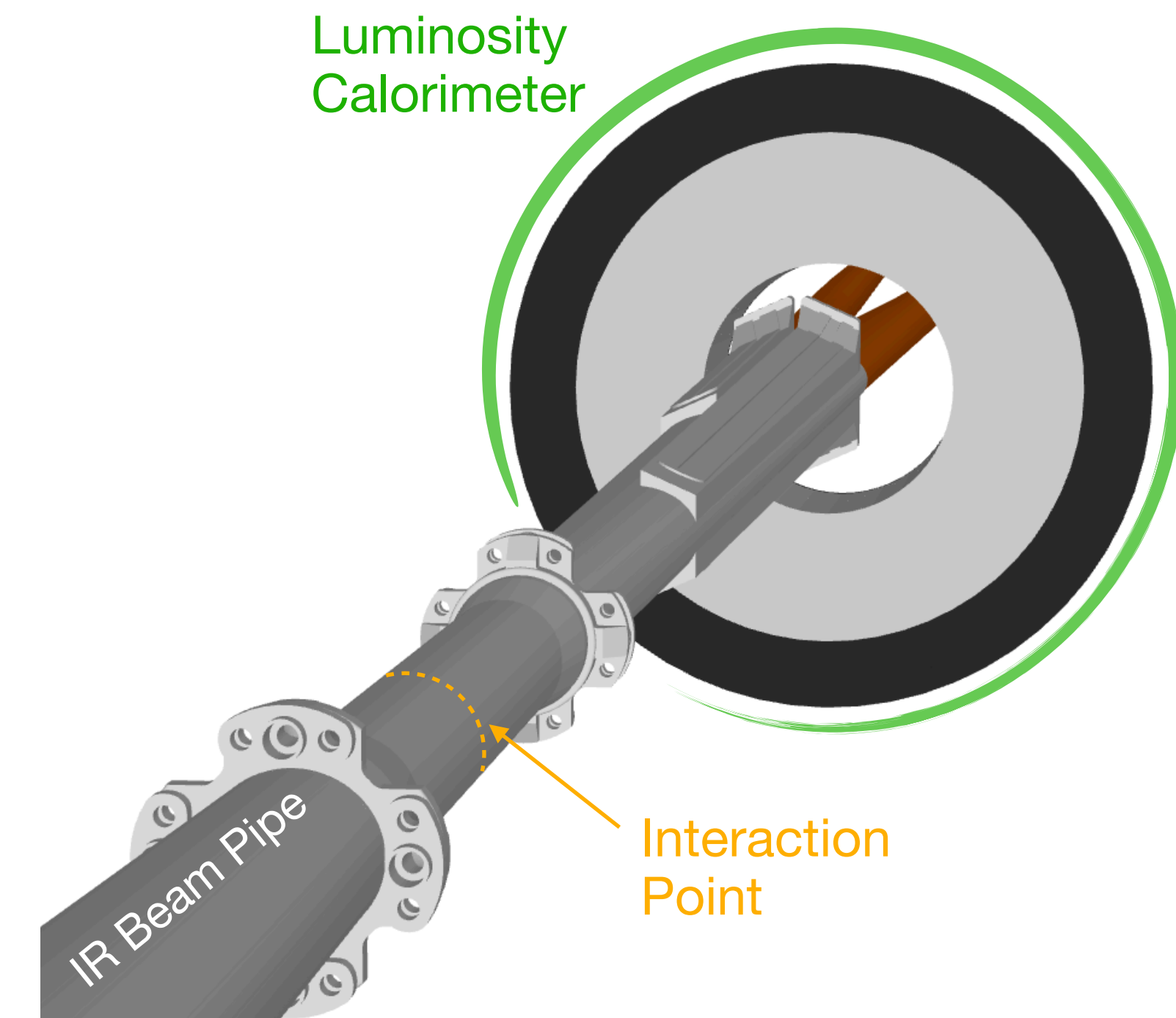
The future circular electron-positron collider at CERN (FCC-ee) aims at unprecedented luminosities obtained with the crab-waist collision scheme.

The thesis will deal with the parameters that determine the **luminosity, its lifetime and control**, as well as the different ways to measure it, **both at the level of the accelerator and the detectors**.

A similar crab-waist scheme has been adopted at the **SuperKEKB** collider at Tsukuba (Japan), where the candidate is expected to be seconded for some short periods to learn "in situ".

The detector **luminosity determination** will use Bhabha scattering process, in which the two emerging leptons will be detected by a calorimeter. The candidate will study the mechanical tolerances and the interaction region layout that are needed to achieve the desired precision.

Activity based at the **INFN Frascati National Laboratories**, in collaboration with CERN(CH), SLAC (US), BNL (US), KEK (JP)



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MACHINE-DETECTOR INTERFACE AT FCC-ee: POSSIBLE PHD THESIS (2)

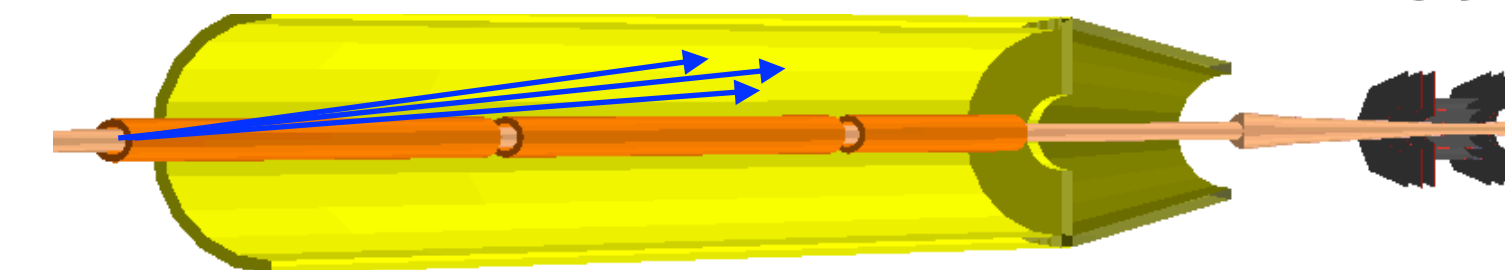
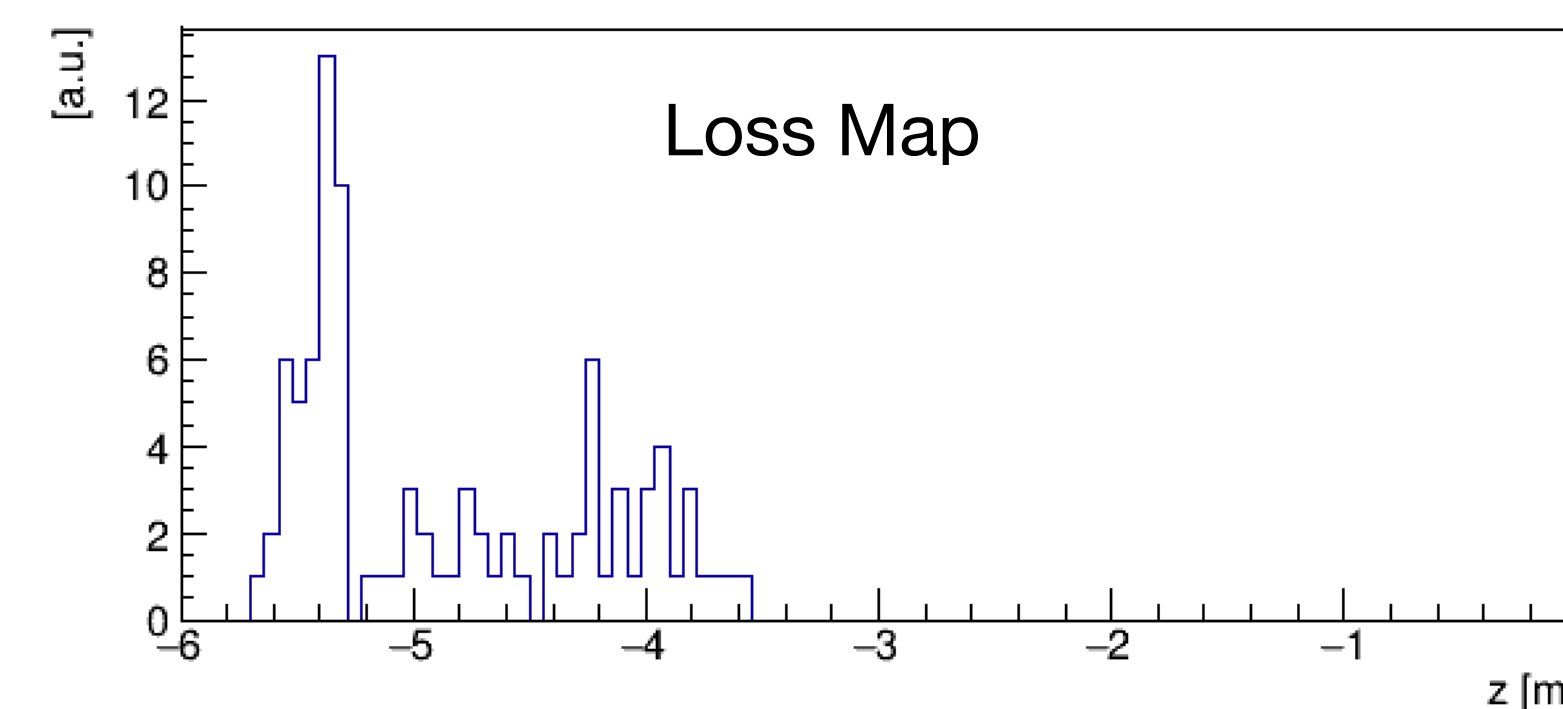
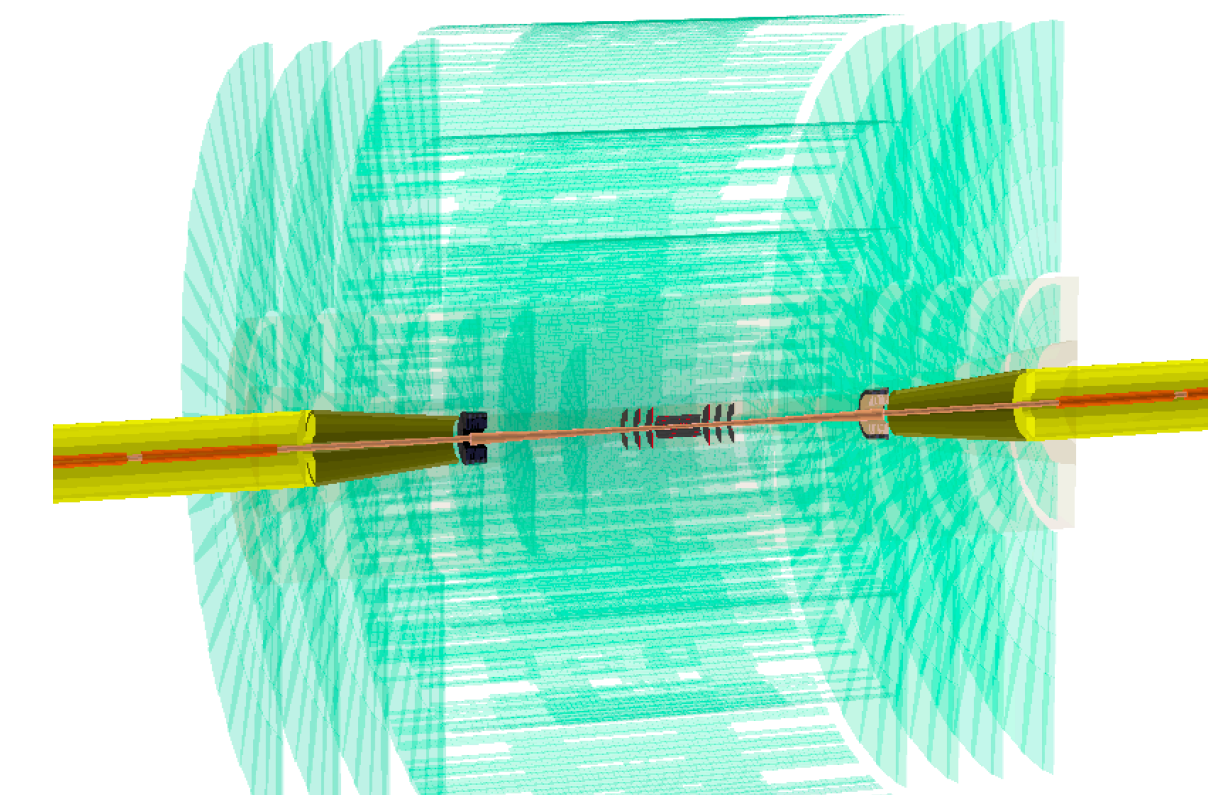
Study of the IR optics and machine related backgrounds at FCC-ee

Several effects are at the origin of the **beam-induced backgrounds** at the interaction region, such as the beam-beam effect, the radiative Bhabha scattering, beam losses from the collimators, synchrotron radiation and beam-gas interactions.

Different machine optics will have different impacts on some of these backgrounds. The student will take confidence on the **beam transport simulations** (MAD-X, XSuite) and **evaluate the backgrounds** in the machine elements as well as in the **detectors** of the experiments, such as the vertex detectors and the drift chambers.

The candidate is expected to be seconded for some short periods to the SuperKEKB collider in Tsukuba (Japan) to learn "in situ" the reduction of the beam-related backgrounds in a running machine.

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Hybrid crystal-based positron source for the FCC-ee

The FCC-ee injector complex foresees a 2.86 GeV linac. Currently **the conventional and hybrid scheme are under study!**

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Collaboration between INFN-Ferrara and IJCLab Paris Orsay to develop hybrid crystal-based positron sources for future colliders.

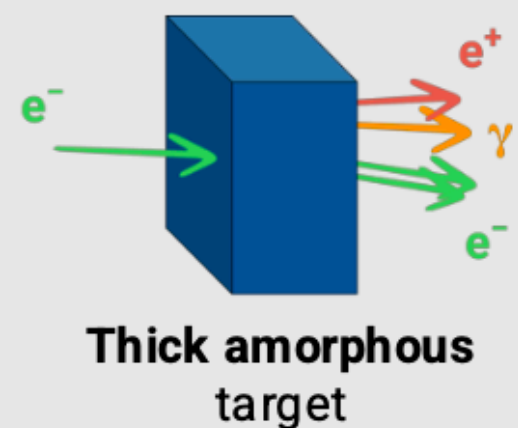
Possibilities of spending period at Paris Orsay.



I. Chaikovska et al., JINST 17 (2022) P05015.

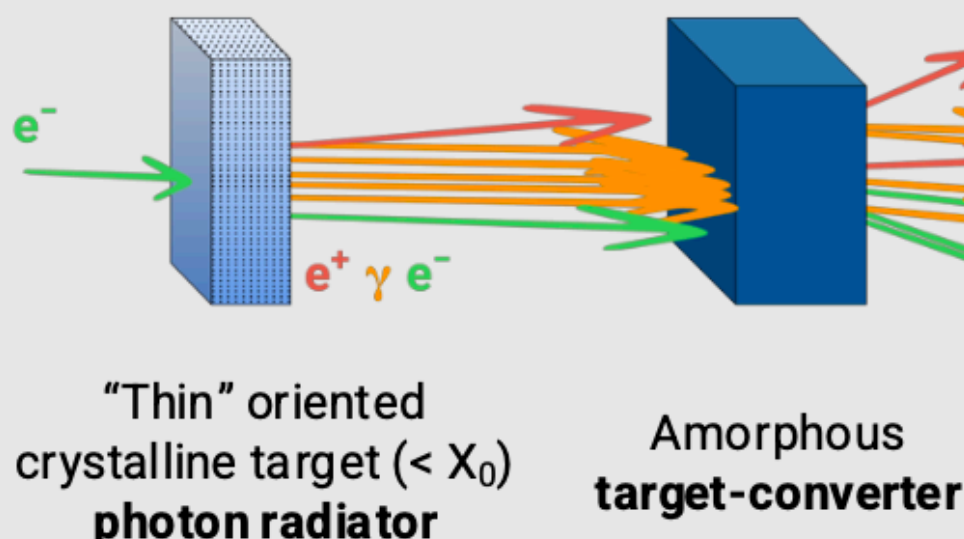
Recently added at the CHART project on the FCCee Injection System: Collaboration between PSI and CERN with external partners: CNRS-IJCLab (Orsay), INFN-LNF, INFN-Ferrara, KEK (Japan)

Conventional scheme



- Average energy deposition → target heating/melting
- Peak Energy Deposition Density (PEDD) → Inhomogeneous and instantaneous energy deposition, that cause thermomechanical stresses due to temperature gradient

Hybrid positron source *



* Idea of *R. Chehab, V. Strakhovenko and A. Variola, NIM B 266 (2008) 3868*

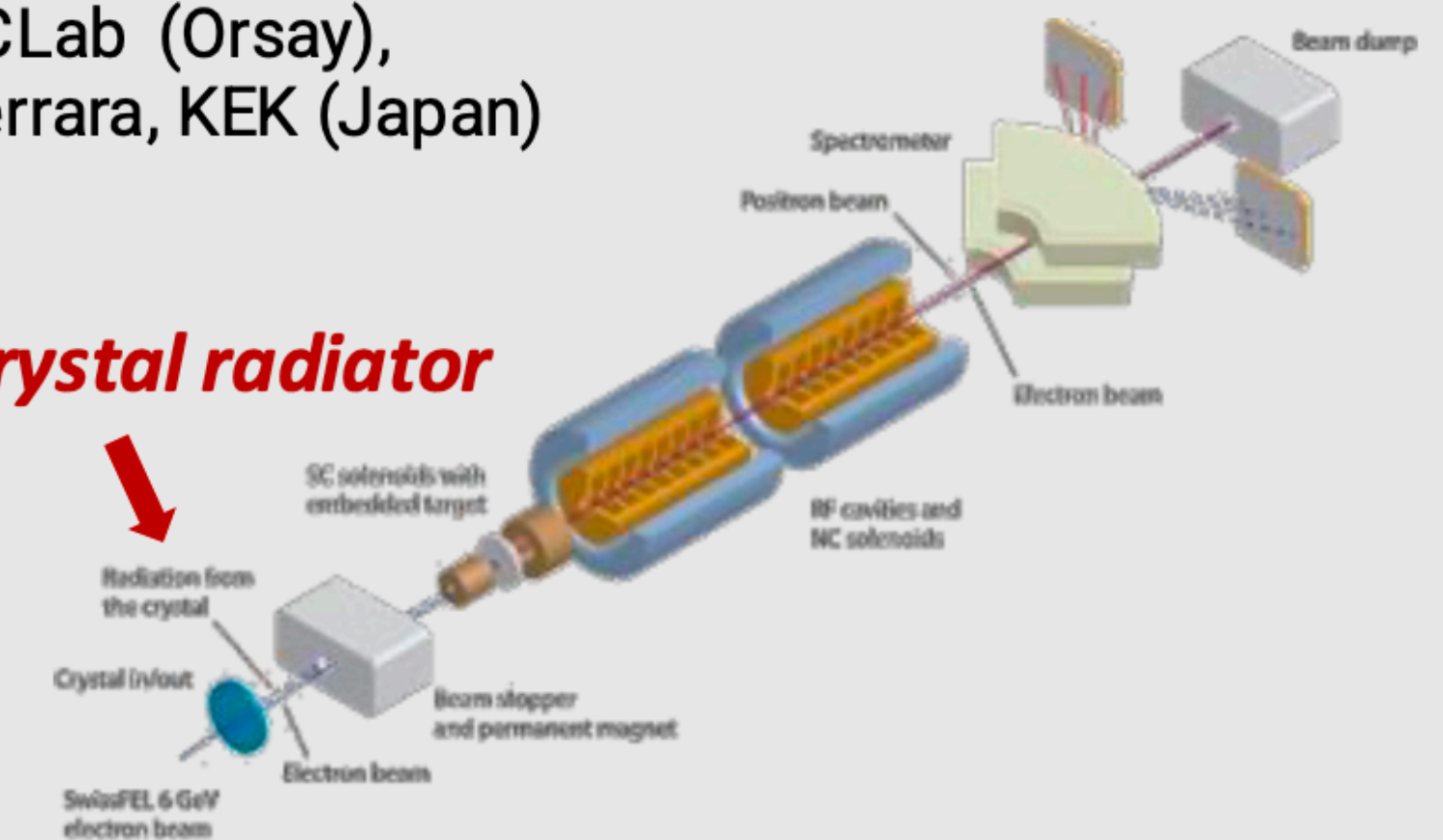
Main advantages of the hybrid source:

- Enhancement of photon generation in crystals in coherent conditions → enhancement of pair production in the converter target
- High rate of soft photons → creation of soft e^+ easily captured in matching systems
- Decrease of the deposited energy and Peak Energy Deposition Density (PEDD) in the converter

An hybrid source can be advantageous to future colliders (FCC-ee, CLIC, ILC or CEPC) as well as for current ones (SuperKEK B)



Crystal radiator



- Optimization of the capture section of pre-injector still ongoing.
- Integration studies with potential proof-of-principle at P3 experiment @ PSI (and future CHART projects)



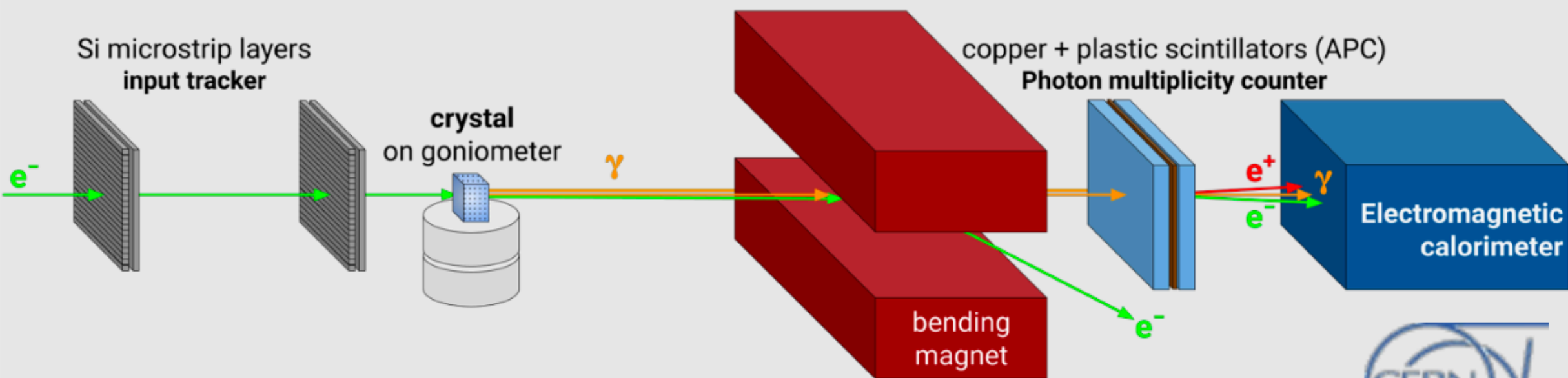
Possible PhD thesis

Activities:

Experimental tests on the targets

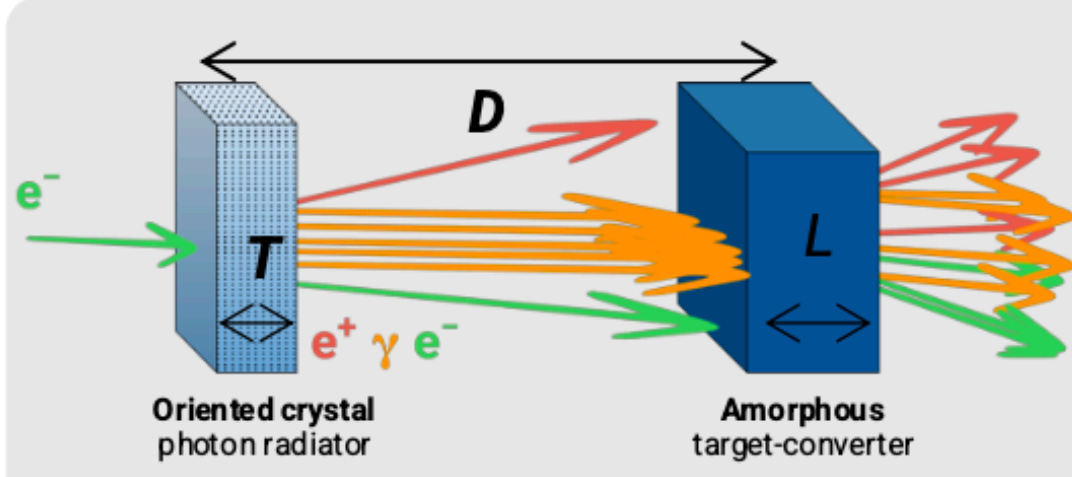


Setup at CERN PS extracted lines Electron energy of 2.86 GeV (forseen FCC e⁻ linac)

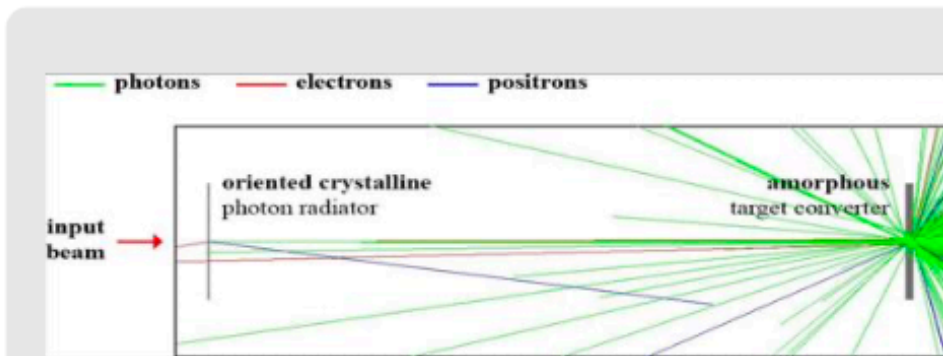


L. Bandiera et al., EPJC 82, 699 (2022)

MC with Geant4 for the source optimization



Positron yield, energy deposit and Peak Energy Deposit Density can be modified by tuning radiator thickness (T), amorphous thickness (L) and the distance between them (D).



M. Soldani et al., NIMA, 1058, 168828 (2024)

- Optimization of the capture section of pre-injector
- Simulation of the full positron source
- Integration studies of the proof-of principle at P3 experiment

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In Collaboration with IJCLab (leader I. Chaikovska)

Curved crystals for particle accelerators

Curved crystals can act as **waveguide** for charged particle beams through the phenomenon of **channeling**, achieving steering power **larger than 1000 T** magnetic dipoles.

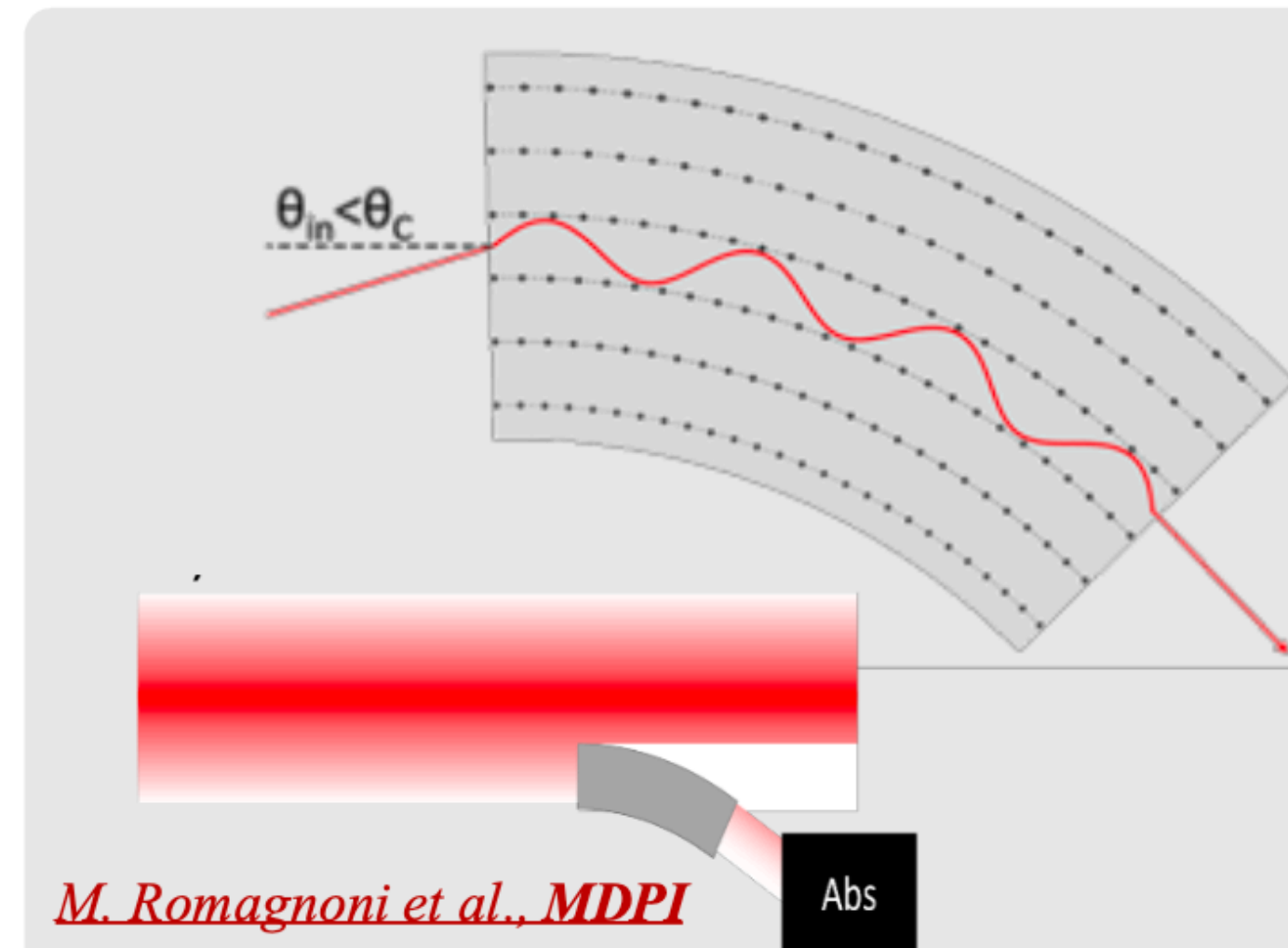
This effect can be exploited in accelerators for:

- Collimation/extraction of beam halo
- Protection of insertion devices in accelerators (beam shadowing)
- Spin precession of fast decaying particles

INFN Ferrara is currently involved in several projects:

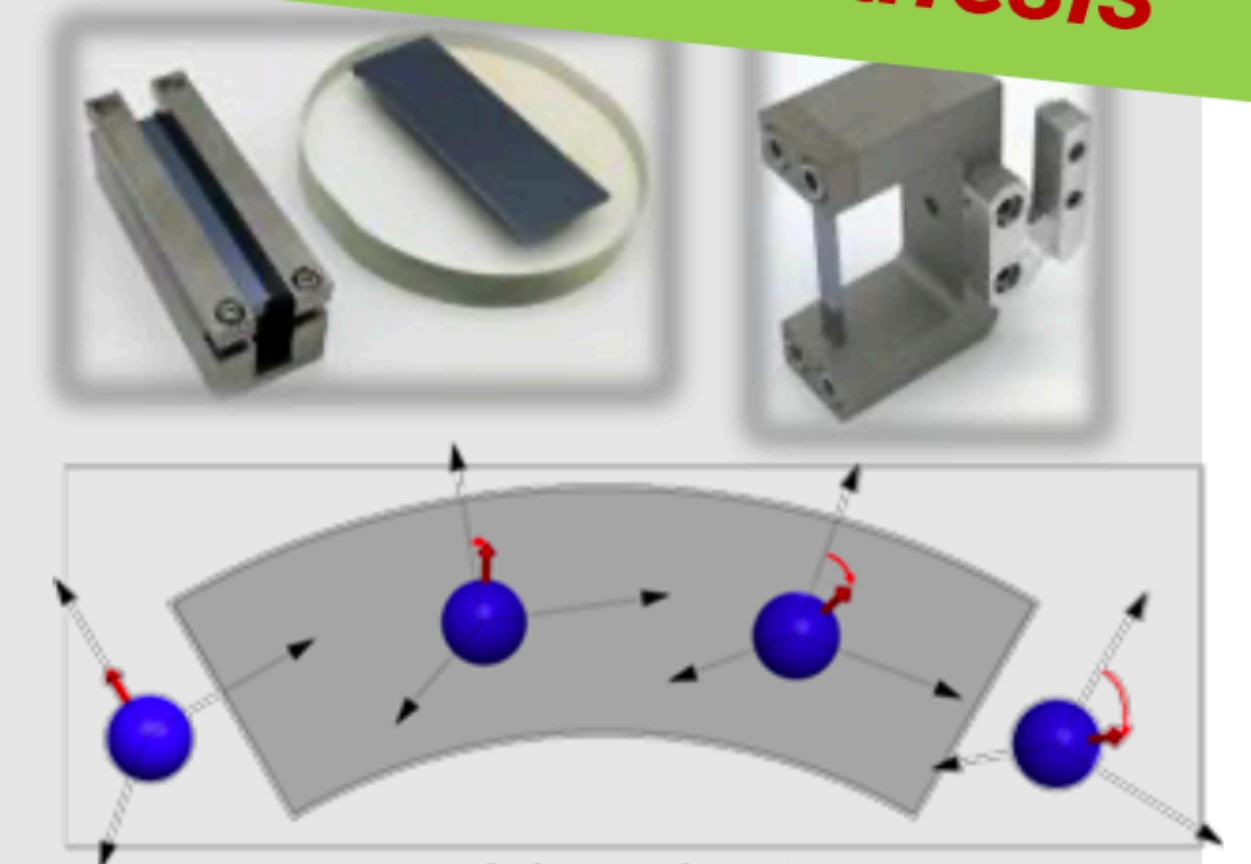
- **Mu2e** proton beam extraction at Fermilab
- Collimation of **Muon Collider**
- Spin precession of charmed baryons in **LHC**
- Desing and manufacture of crystal for channeling experiments

- **Geant4-based simulation of channeling in bent crystals for Muon Collider collimation optimization**



M. Romagnoni et al., MDPI Crystals 2022, 12(9), 1263

Possible PhD thesis



W. Scandale et al., Physics Reports 2019, 04 003

- **Fabrication and characterization of crystals for beam shadowing in the Mu2e experiment**
- **Development of advanced crystal bending techniques for charmed baryon spin precession experiments**
- **Sample characterization at synchrotron facilities**
- **Beam line experiments on bent crystals**



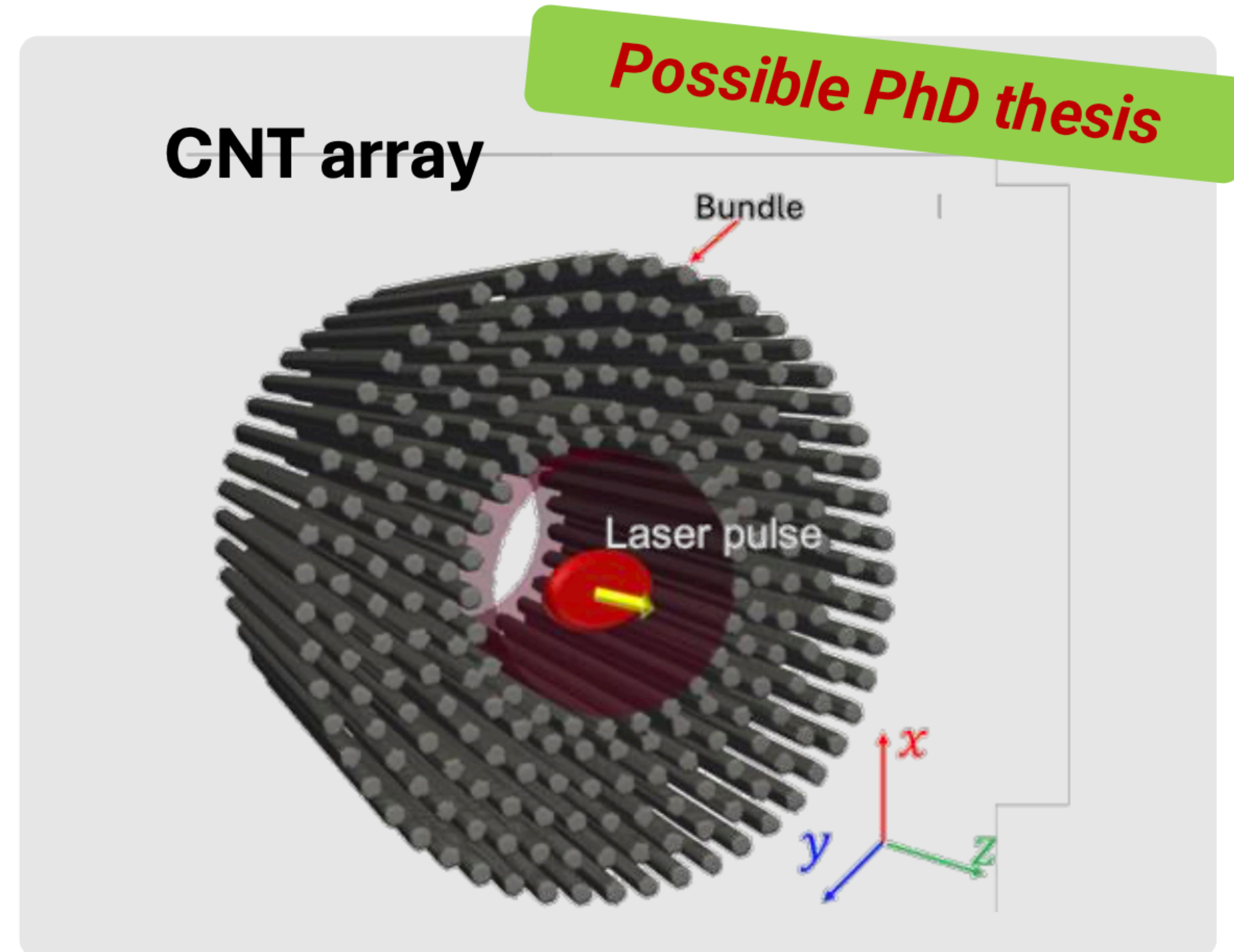
Advanced Particle-In-Cell simulations of laser-driven plasma wakefield acceleration

This research focuses on the simulation of **laser-driven plasma wakefield acceleration** (LWFA) in dense materials, in particular solid-state targets and **carbon nanotubes** (CNTs) *C. Bontoiu et al. Scientific Reports 13, 2845 (2023)*

Plasma wakefield acceleration in such materials offers the potential for producing extremely high-gradient acceleration and highly intense particle beams, critical for next-generation accelerators.

Using CNTs as the target medium, this study aims to optimize key parameters, such as laser intensity, plasma density, and beam-plasma interactions, to maximize the beam quality and charge. Additionally, the research explores methods for the production and preparation of CNT targets for LWFA, addressing challenges in target fabrication.

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Monte Carlo modeling of laser-driven plasma wakefield acceleration in dense materials

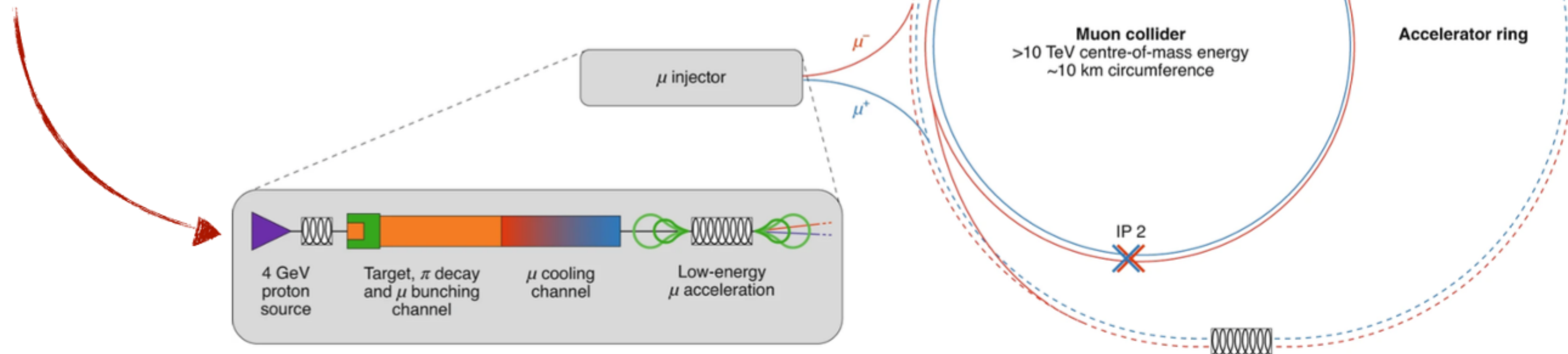
MUON COLLIDER AT A GLANCE



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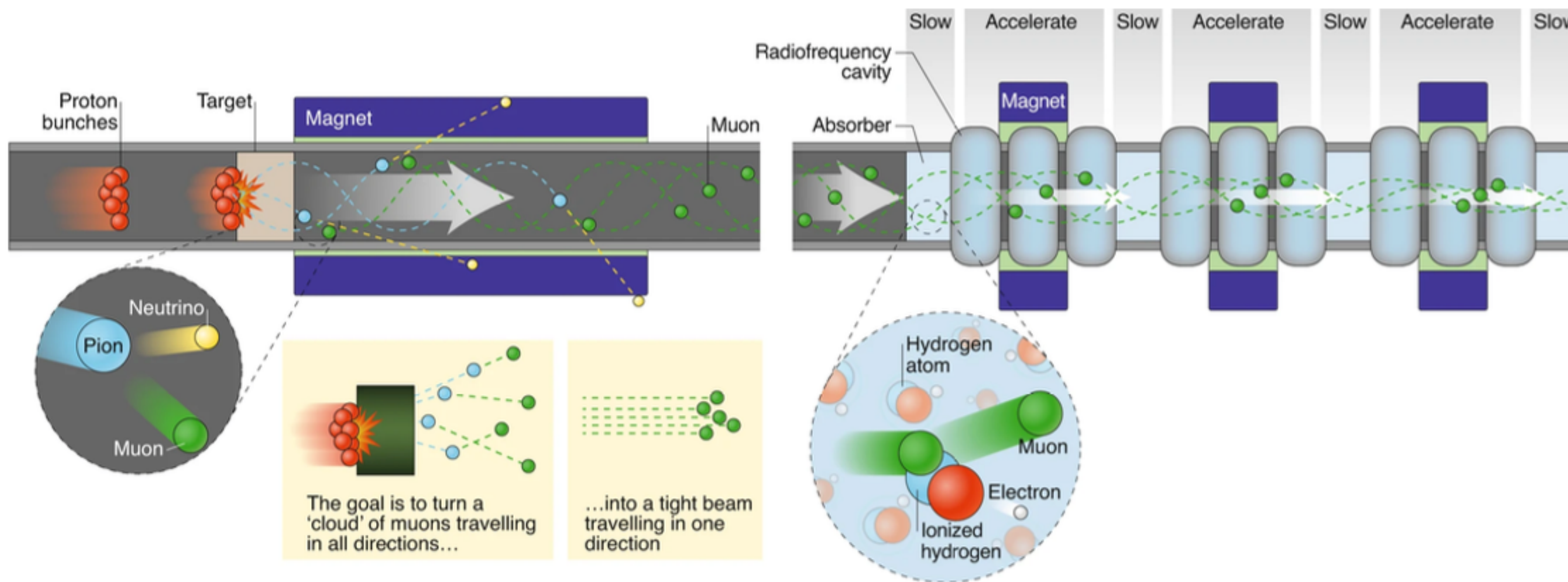
Many key challenges to face:

- Dense neutrino flux
- Beam-induced background
- Cost & power consumption limiting energy reach and beam quality
- Muon production and cooling drives beam quality and achievable luminosity



LIGHT-MATERIAL ABSORBERS FOR MUON COOLING

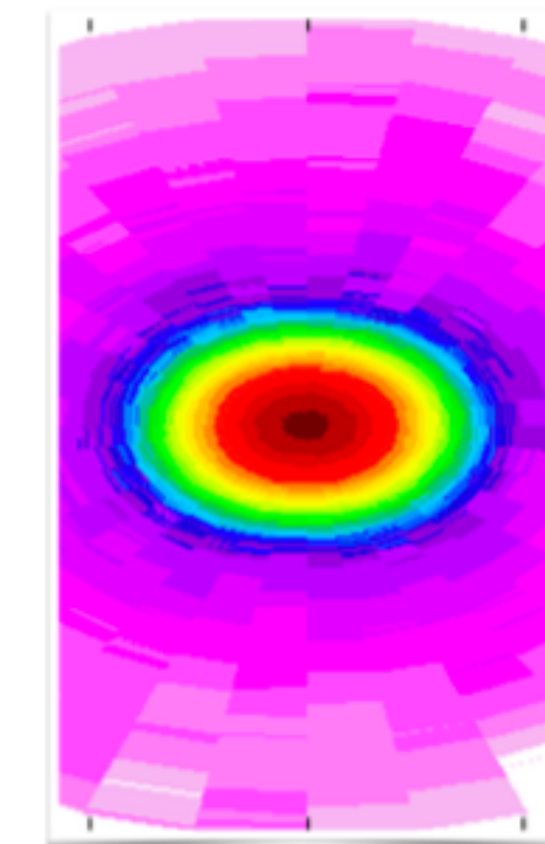
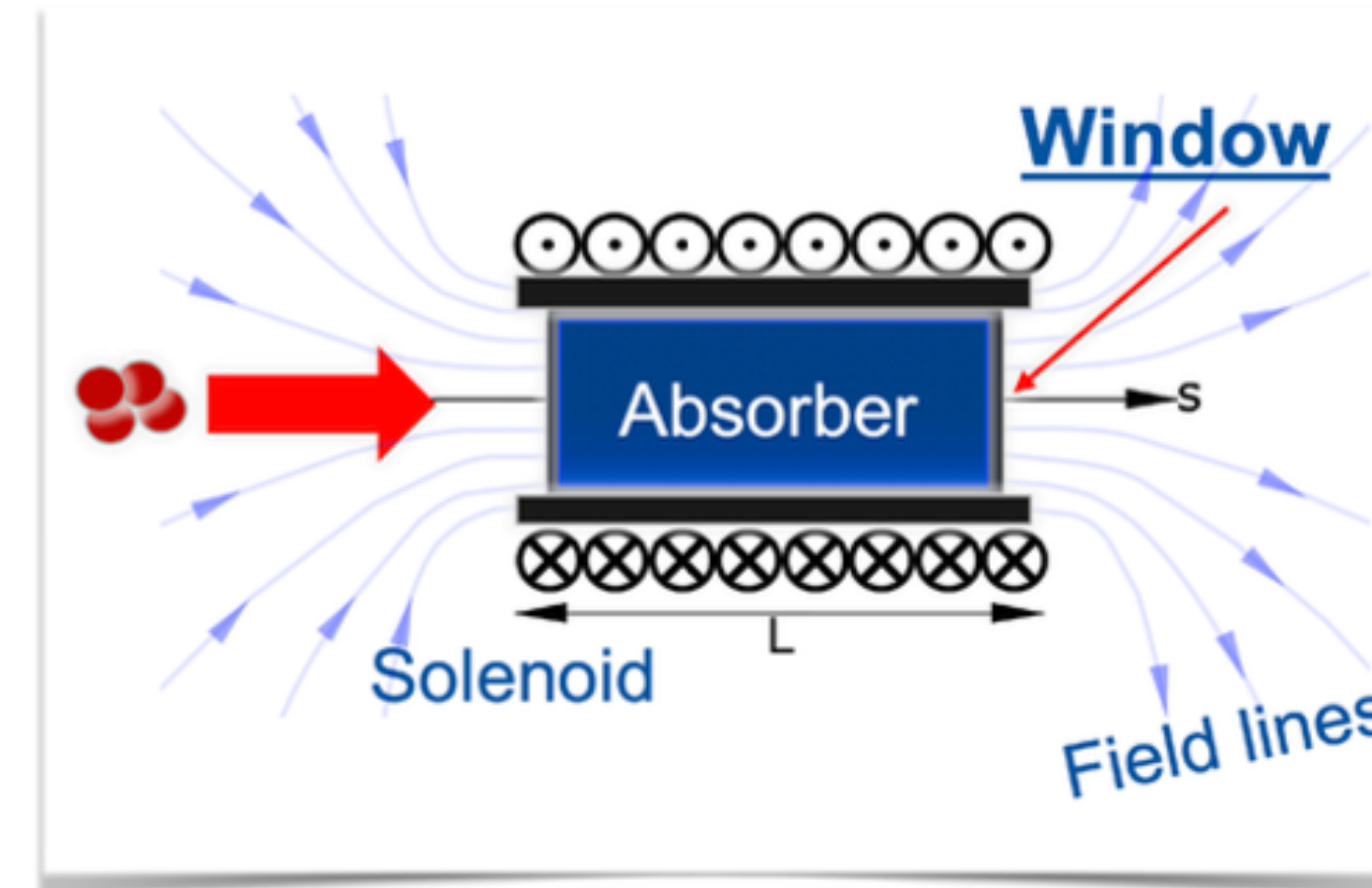
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Parameters:

- 20 to 5 MeV cooling
- $4e12$ muons/pulse
- 5 Hz repetition rate
- $\sigma_{RMS} = 0.6$ mm

- *Low-Z* and *thin* absorbers (LiH, H₂,...) to minimize beam Multiple Scattering
- Thin windows to contain liquid absorbers (Be, Si₃N₄, SiC, C)



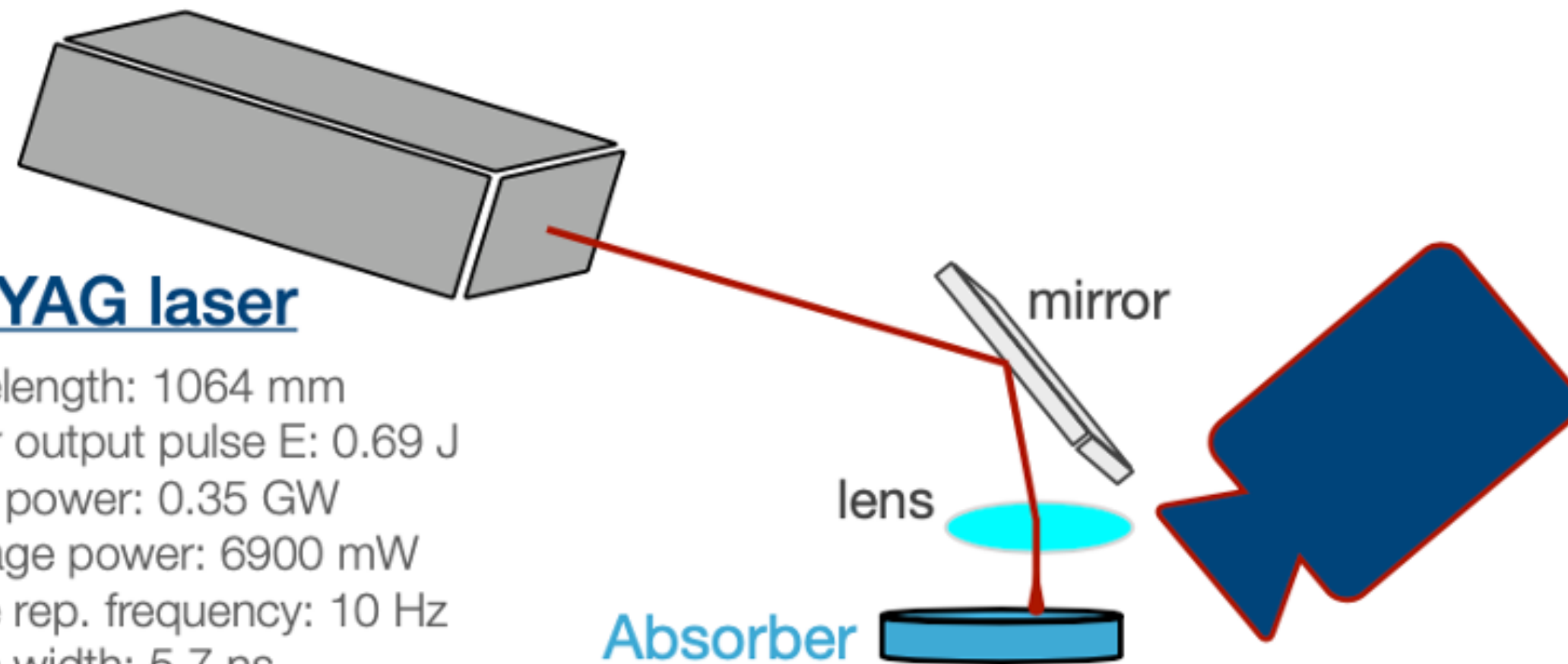
ABSORBER MATERIAL CHARACTERISATION

Target crash test with photons

Ex ante ex post characterisation

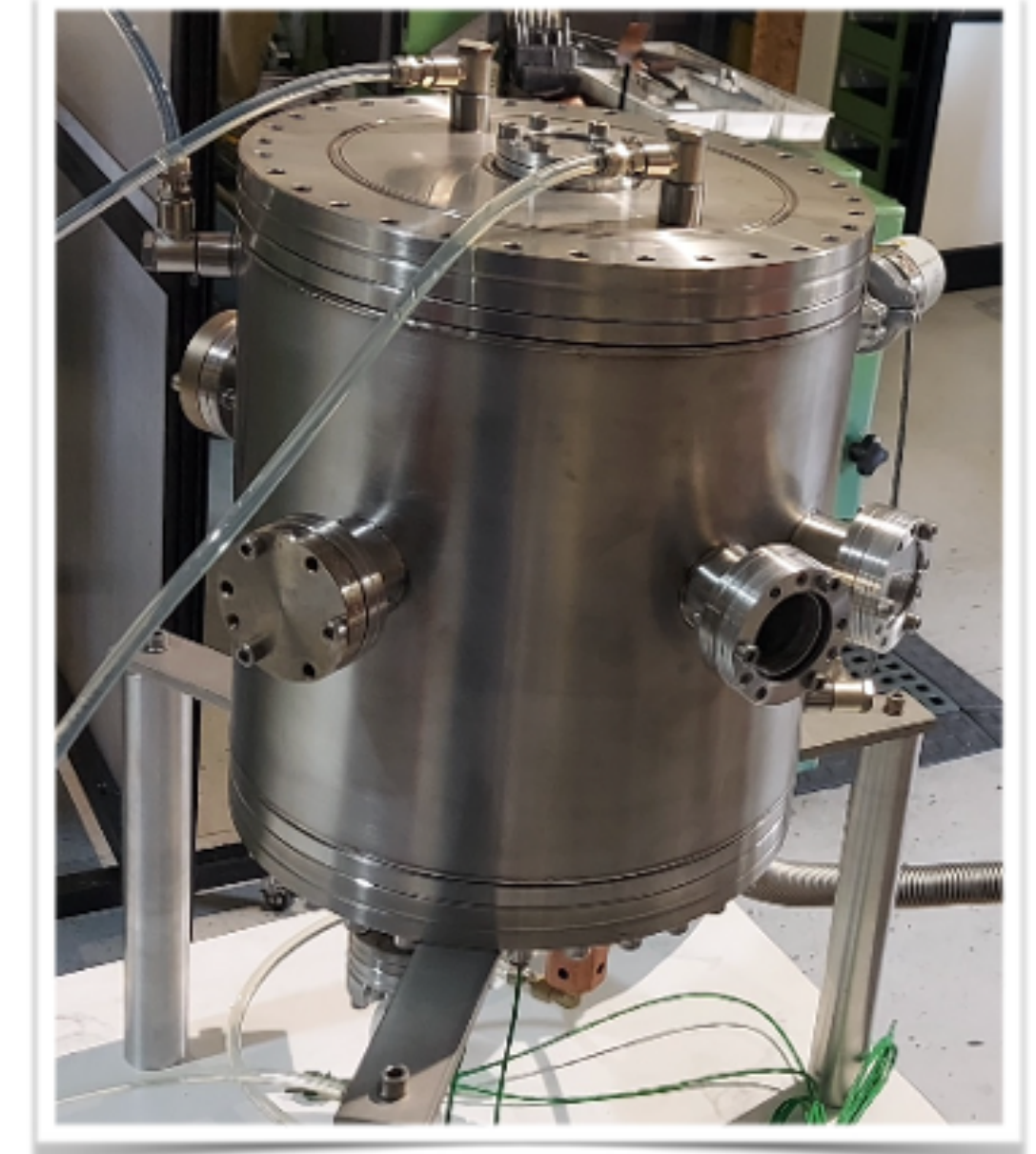
Nd:YAG laser

Wavelength: 1064 nm
 Laser output pulse E: 0.69 J
 Peak power: 0.35 GW
 Average power: 6900 mW
 Pulse rep. frequency: 10 Hz
 Pulse width: 5.7 ns



Infrared Camera FLIR X6901sc SLS

Optic: 17 mm, calibrated in the range [-80 °C, +300 °C]



vacuum chambers for thermal measurements



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	Hybrid Crystal-based Positron Source: MC with Geant4 optimization of the source		
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