

STATUS AND PERSPECTIVE OF AVAILABLE BEAMS AT LABORATORI NAZIONALI DEL SUD

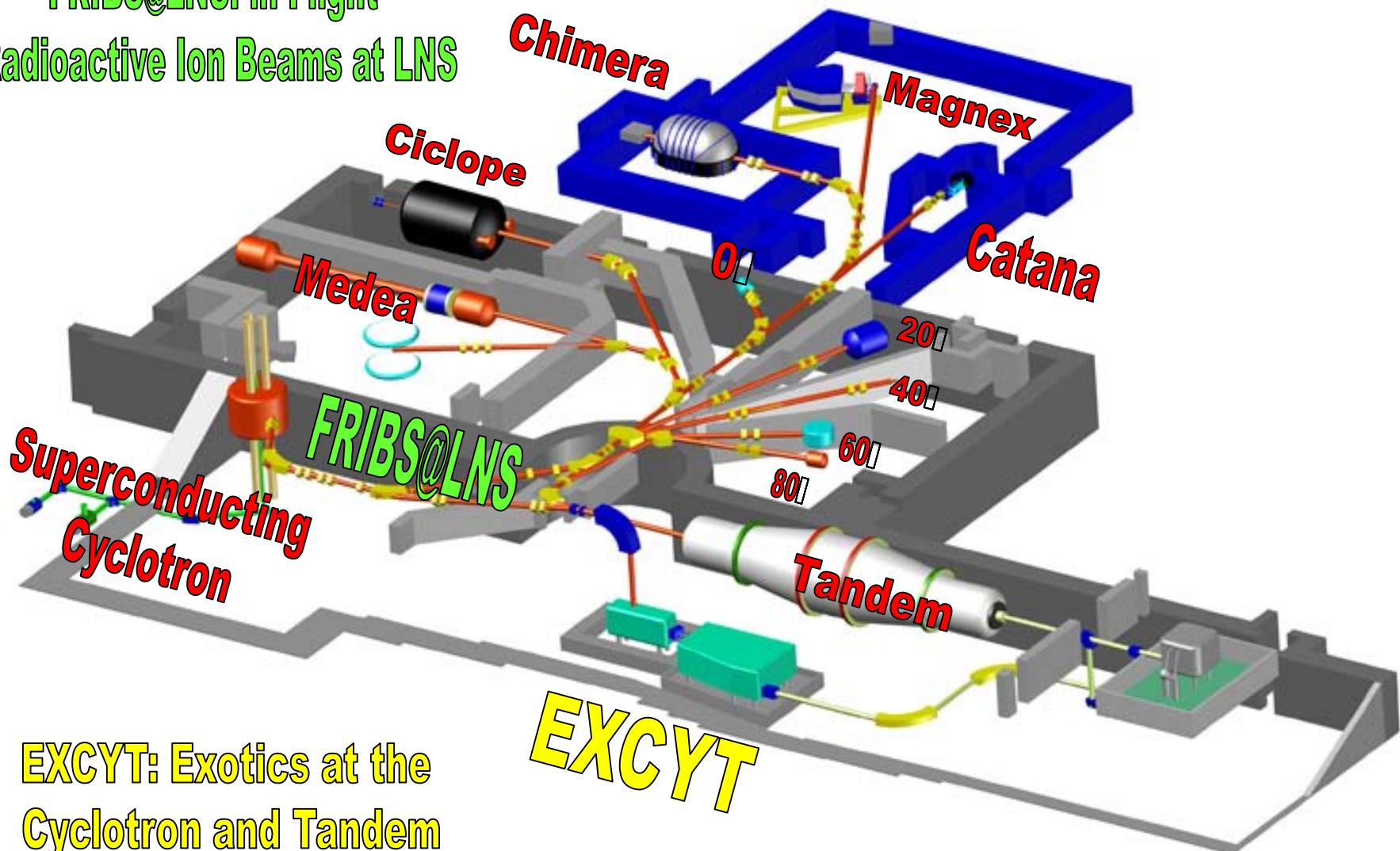


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LNS lay-out: accelerators and experimental halls

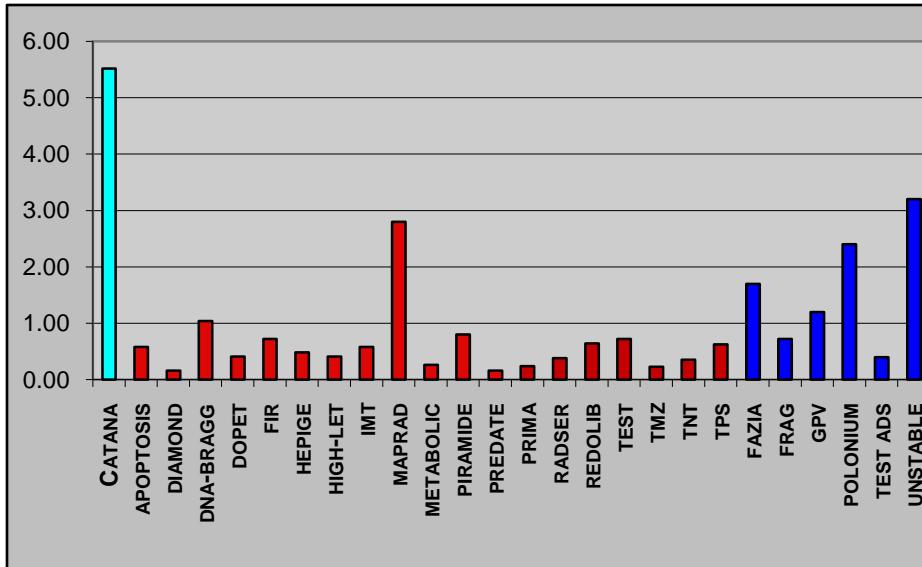
FRIBS@LNS: in Flight

Radioactive Ion Beams at LNS



EXCYT: Exotics at the
Cyclotron and Tandem

Use of the Cyclotron and Tandem beams in 2011

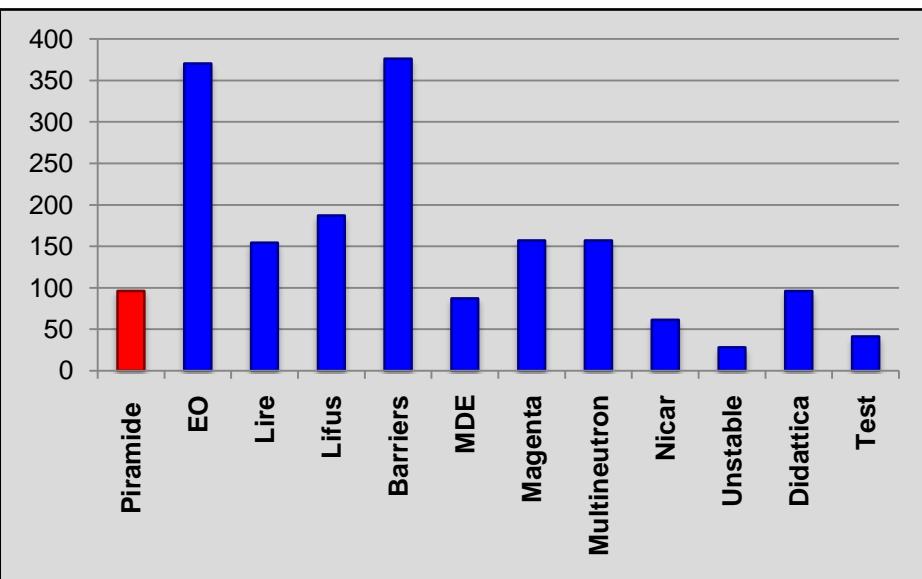
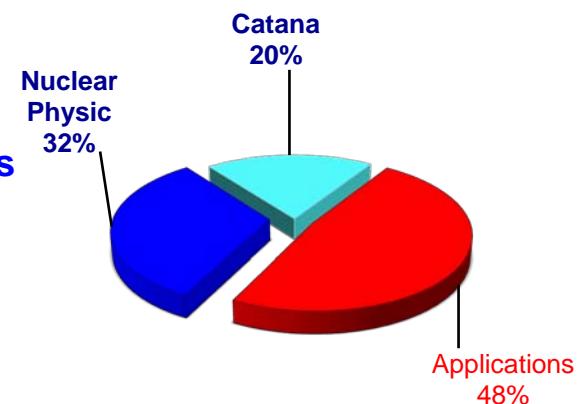


Cyclotron
2665 h

32%
Nuclear Physics

20%
Catana

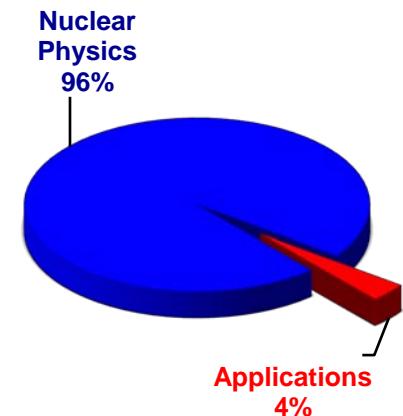
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Applications



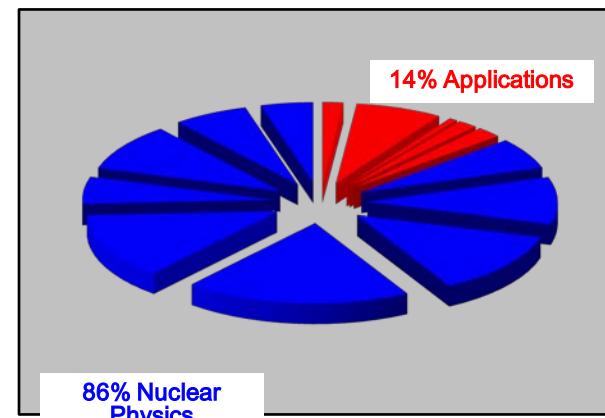
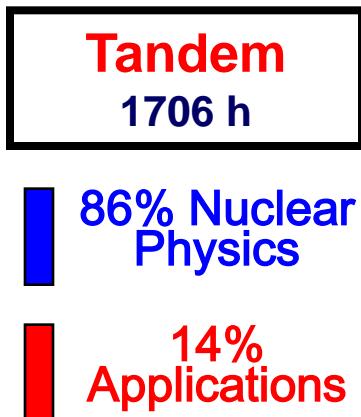
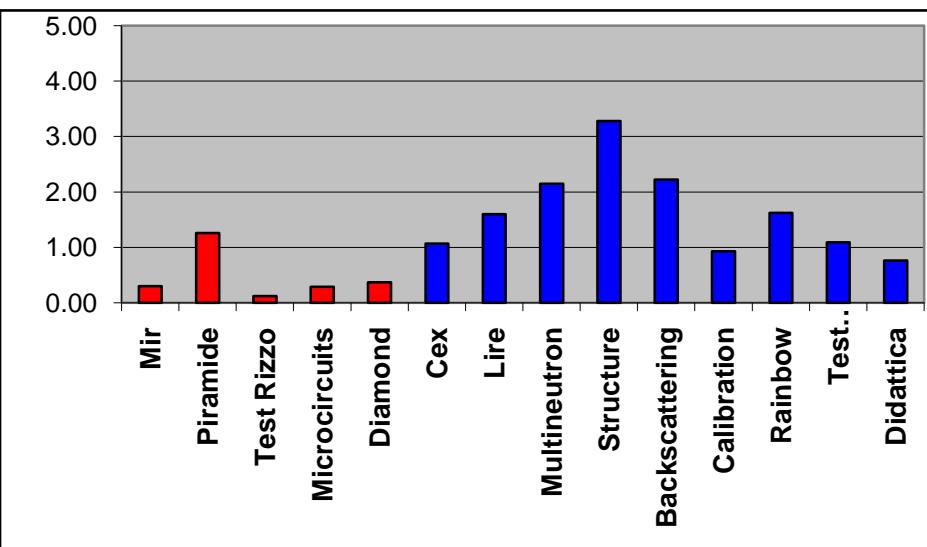
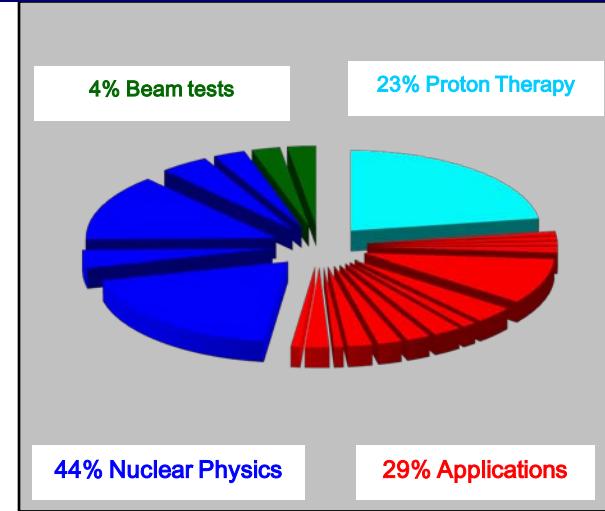
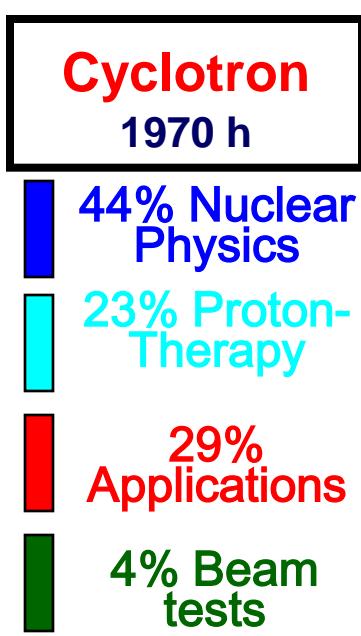
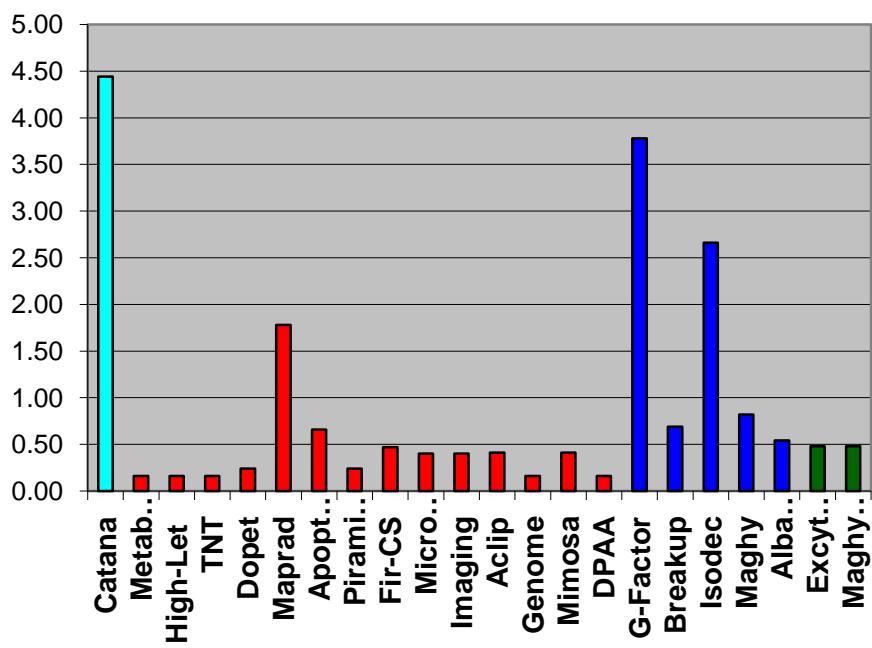
Tandem
1810 h

96%
Nuclear Physics

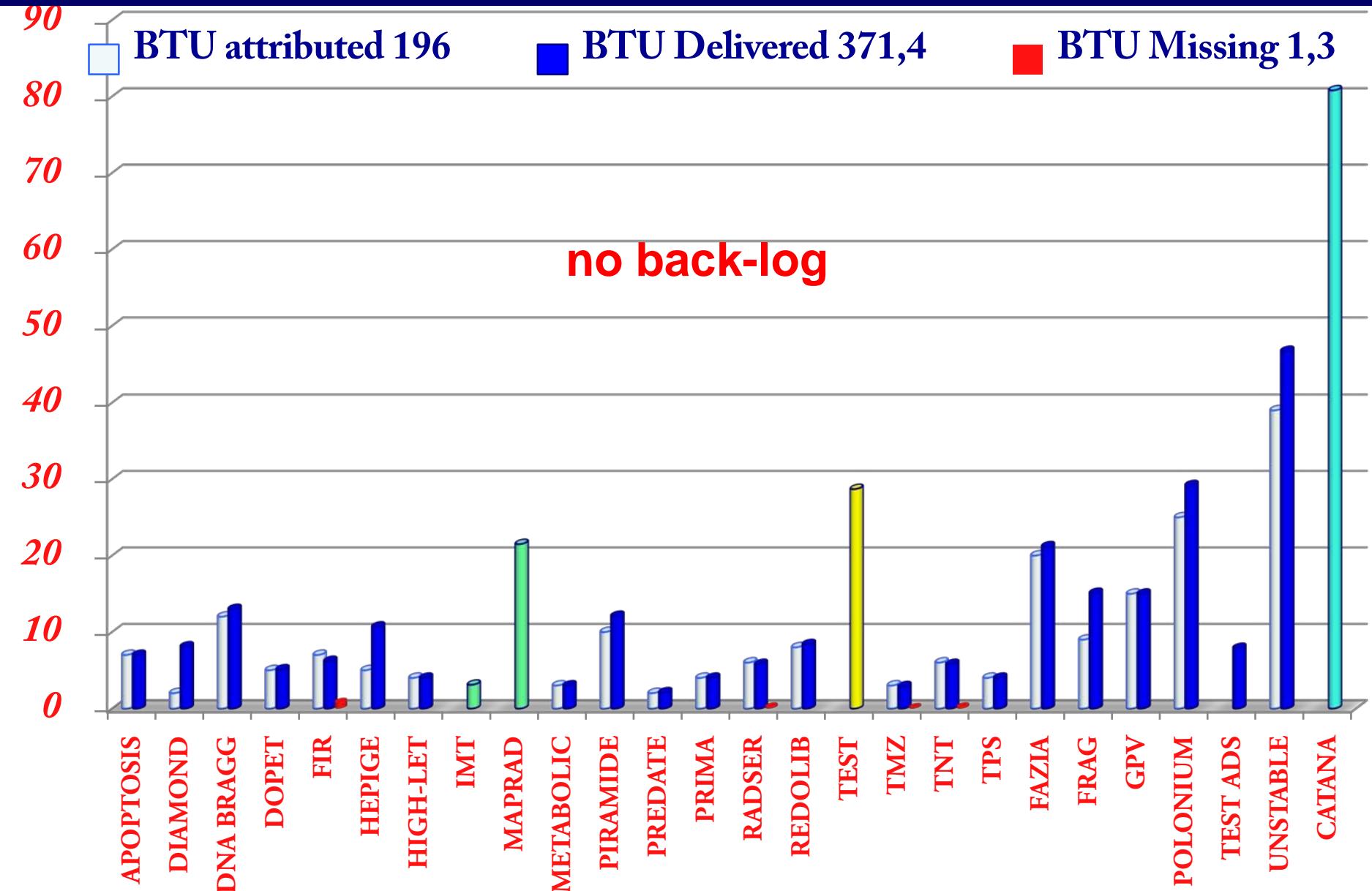
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Applications



Use of the Cyclotron and Tandem beams in 2010



2011 Cyclotron beam delivery

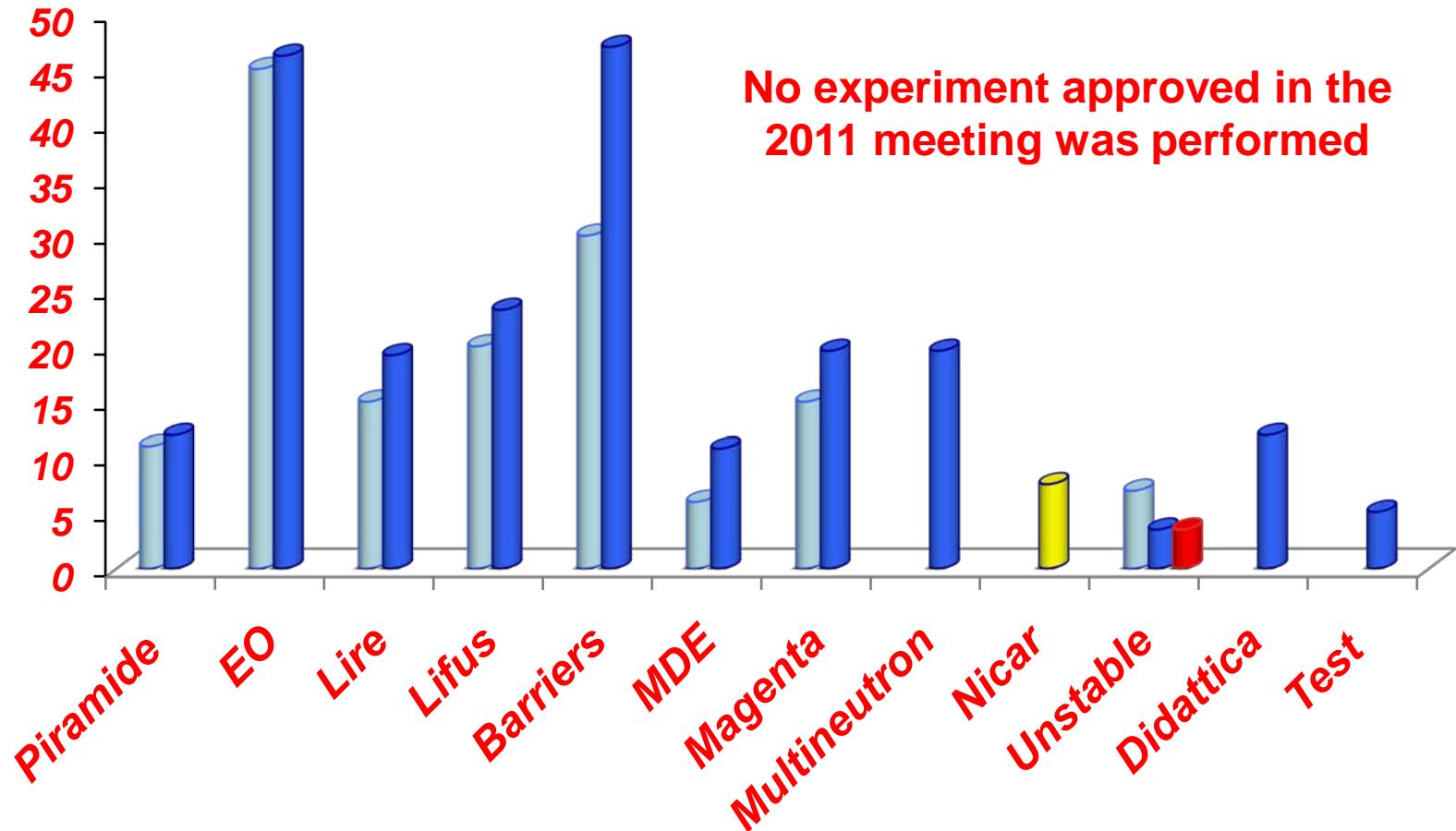


2011 Tandem beam delivery

■ *BTU Attributed 149*

■ *BTU Delivered 225,9*

■ *BTU Missing 3,5*



Superconducting Cyclotron status: beam statistics 2001-2011

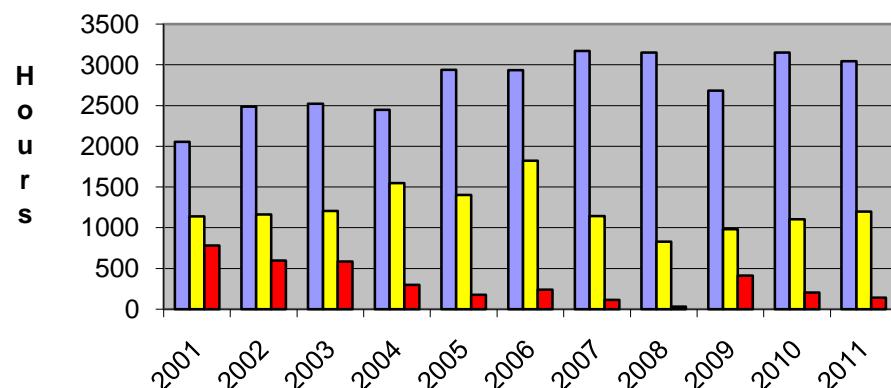


		Delivered	Setting	Failures
2001	9.5 months	2569	1424	975
2002	8 months	2485	1161	597
2003	8.5 months	2679	1204	587
2004	5 months	1529	944	187
2005	5.5 months	2020	964	122
2006	5.5 months	2017	1252	166
2007	4.5 months	1783	643	65
2008	7 months	2757	740	28
2009	8 months	2683	983	411
2010	5 months	1970	690	128
2011	7 months	2665	1269	125

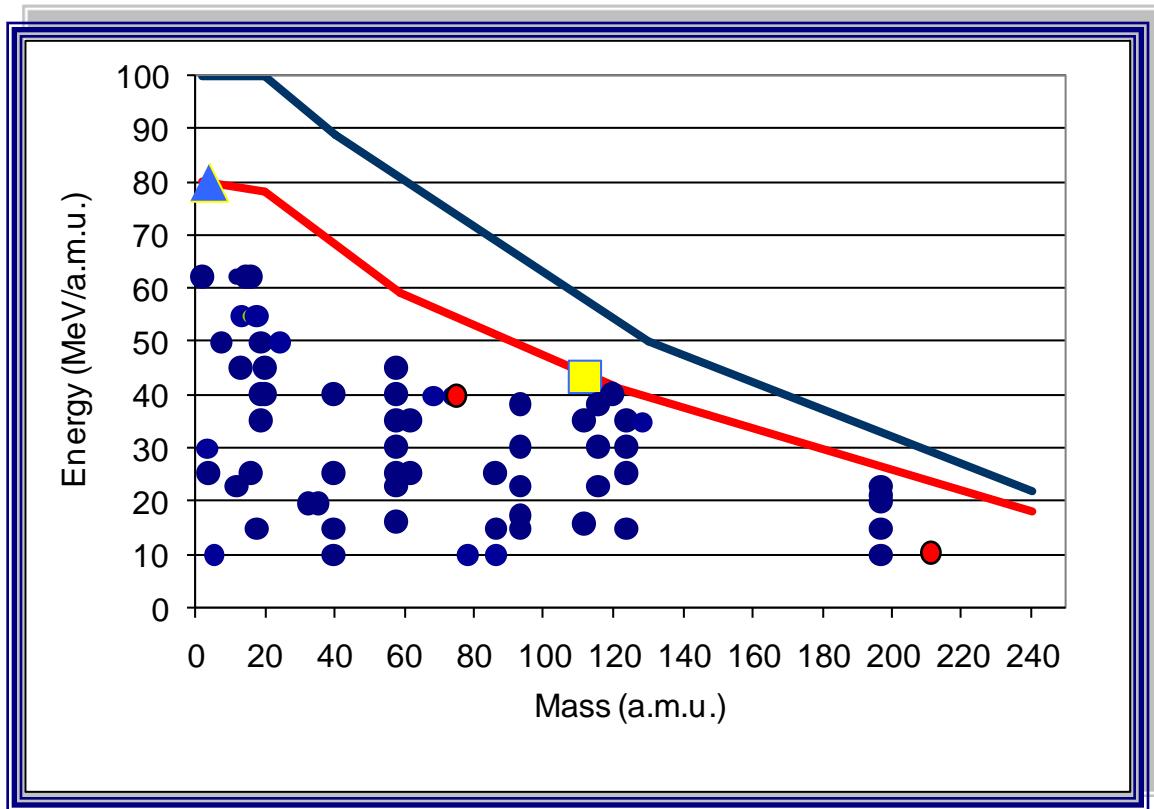
Extraction beam line upgrading

CAESAR ions source upgrading
80 BTU Tandem beam at MAGNEX

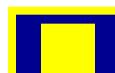
Data normalized
for 8 months



Superconducting Cyclotron status: beams developed



^4He 80 MeV/a.m.u.



^{112}Sn 43.5 MeV/a.m.u.

^AX	E (MeV/a.m.u.)
H_2^+	62,80
H_3^+	30,35,45
$^2\text{D}^+$	35,62,80
^4He	25,80
He-H	10, 21
^9Be	45
^{12}C	23,62,80
^{13}C	45,55
^{14}N	62,80
^{16}O	21,25,55,62,80
^{18}O	15,55
^{19}F	35,40,50
^{20}Ne	20,40,45,62
^{24}Mg	50
^{36}Ar	16,38
^{40}Ar	15,20,40
^{40}Ca	10,25,40,45
^{48}Ca	10,45
^{58}Ni	16,23,25,30,35,40,45
^{64}Ni	25,35
$^{68,70}\text{Zn}$	40
^{74}Ge	40
^{78}Kr	10
^{84}Kr	10,15,20,25
^{93}Nb	15,17,23,30,38
^{112}Sn	15.5,35,43.5
^{116}Sn	23,30,38
^{124}Sn	15,25,30,35
^{129}Xe	20,21,23,35
^{197}Au	10,15,20,21,23
^{208}Pb	10

Improvements on ECR sources: cryogenics of Serse and new injection system of Caesar

Serse cryogenics critical from the operating point of view:

1. the system is quite complex and the path of LHe is long from the liquefier to the cryostat (many dewars): a lot of losses
2. priority is given to the Cyclotron in case of failure

Autonomous system based on Helium recondensation and replacement of current leads with superconducting high Tc ones

- a) Design : the new system has been dimensioned and designed by a French company close to CEA Grenoble, who made the source - done
- b) Realization : Cost defined to be around 300 k€: a call for tender will be launched based upon the executive drawings of a) - waiting for funding

CAESAR new injection system has been assembled at the beginning of 2012

New beams will be available:

- 1) metallic species through the implementation of an oven in 2013
- 2) The MIVOC method is exploiting for production of “difficult beams”, i.e. ^{11}B for production of ^8He with FRIBS@LNS tests are in progress

Tandem status

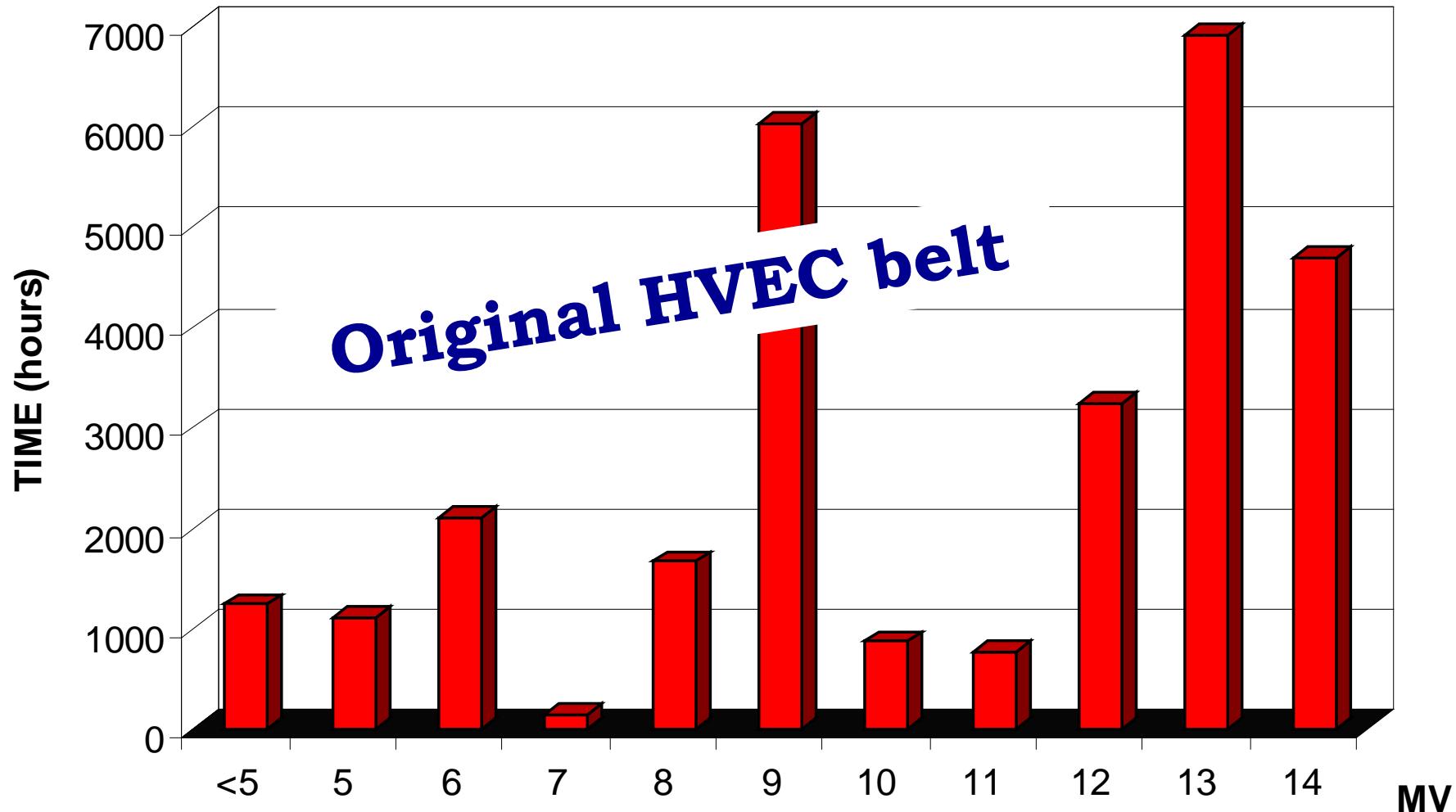
January – May 2012 stop

- a) maintenance operation on the SF₆ plant
- b) repairing of the first accelerating tube by means of a special vacuum leak sealant
the residual pressure is now around the operating value
- c) assembling of a new belt type and first tests of its mechanical and electrical properties
our conclusion is that the new belt needs to be improved: the tested prototype was not enough stiff and, more important, the insulating material does not resist to temperature and discharges

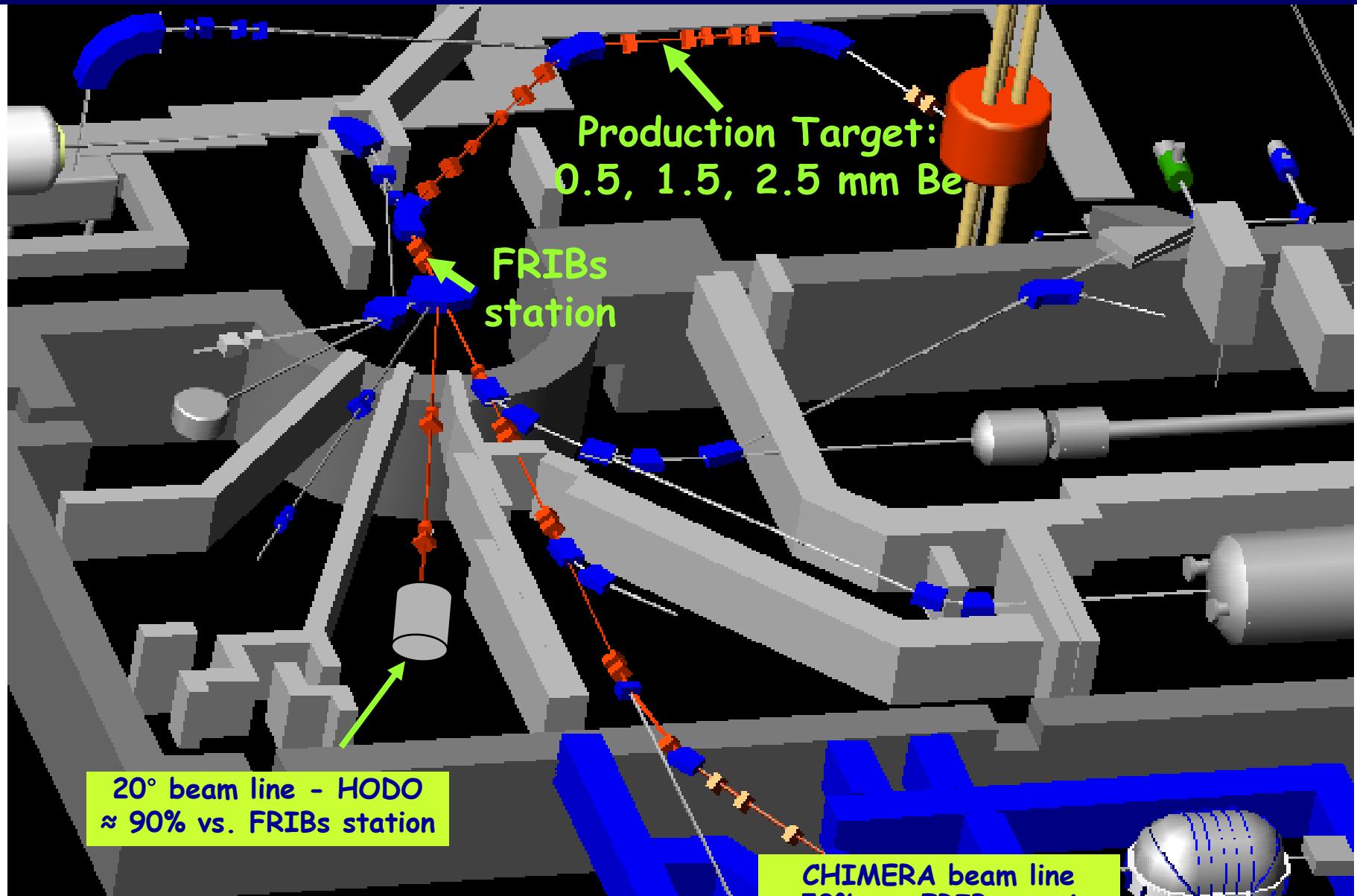


- 1) Alternative to the belt : Pelletron (NEC) cost 725.000 US\$ excl. installation - Time: 2 months, but not before 2014 – **funding**
- 2) New first (and eighth) tube – 300 k€- **not a trivial task**

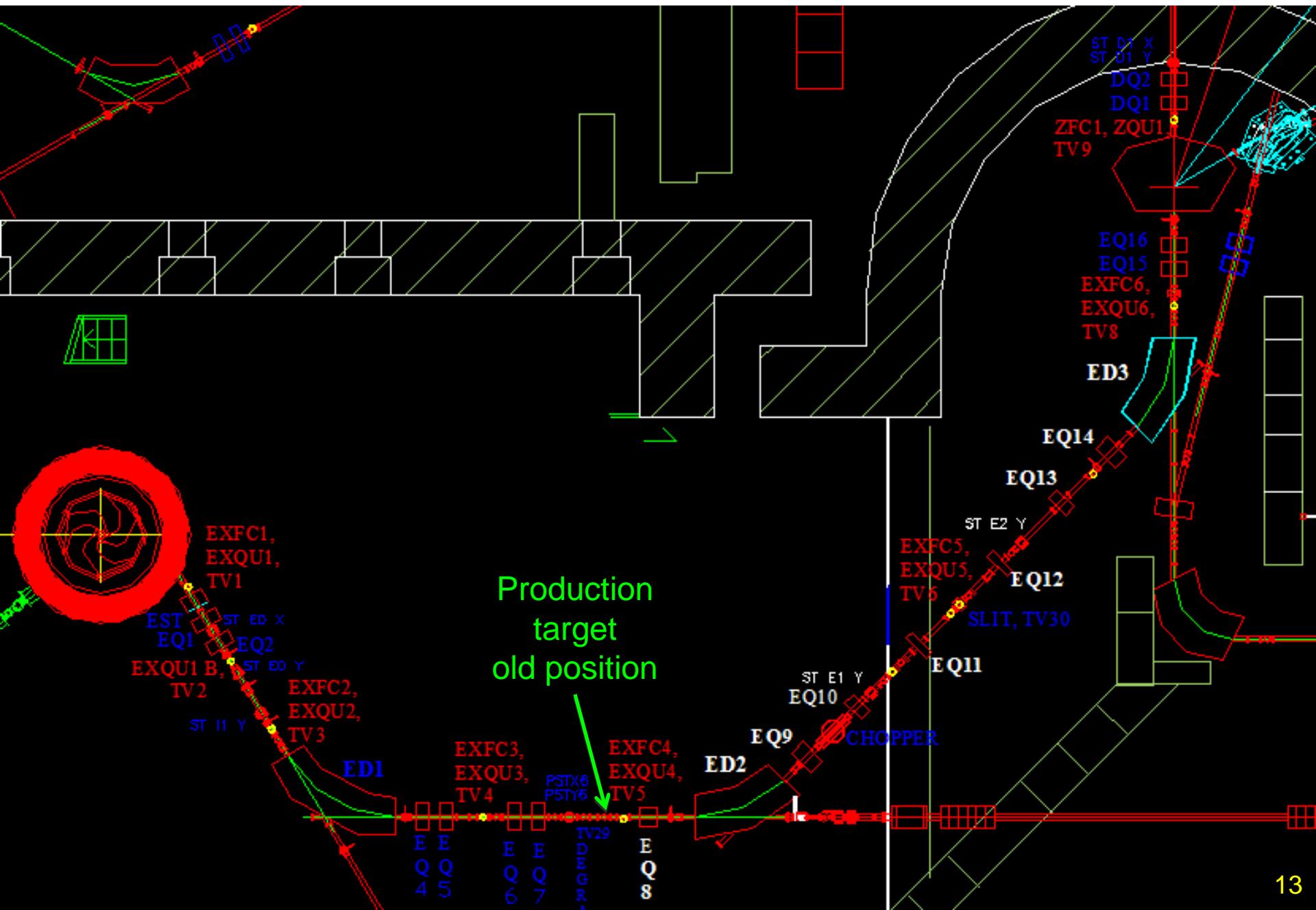
**VOLTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE TANDEM DURING THE
OPERATIONS WITH THE PREVIOUS BELT
YEARS 1994/2000, TOTAL 28710 h**



FRIBS@LNS: in Flight Radioactive Ion BeamS



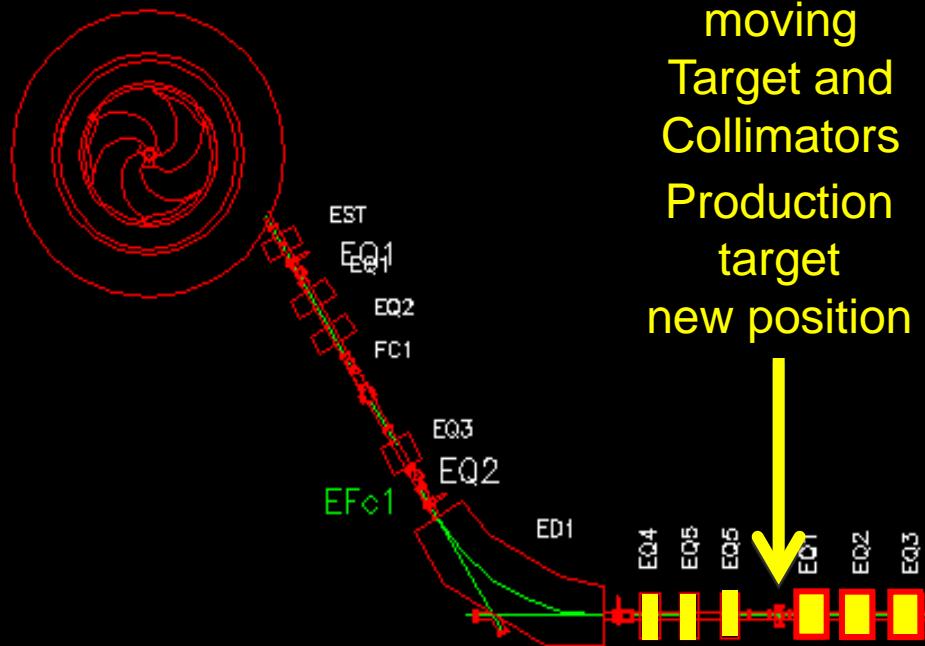
The extraction beam line until July 2010



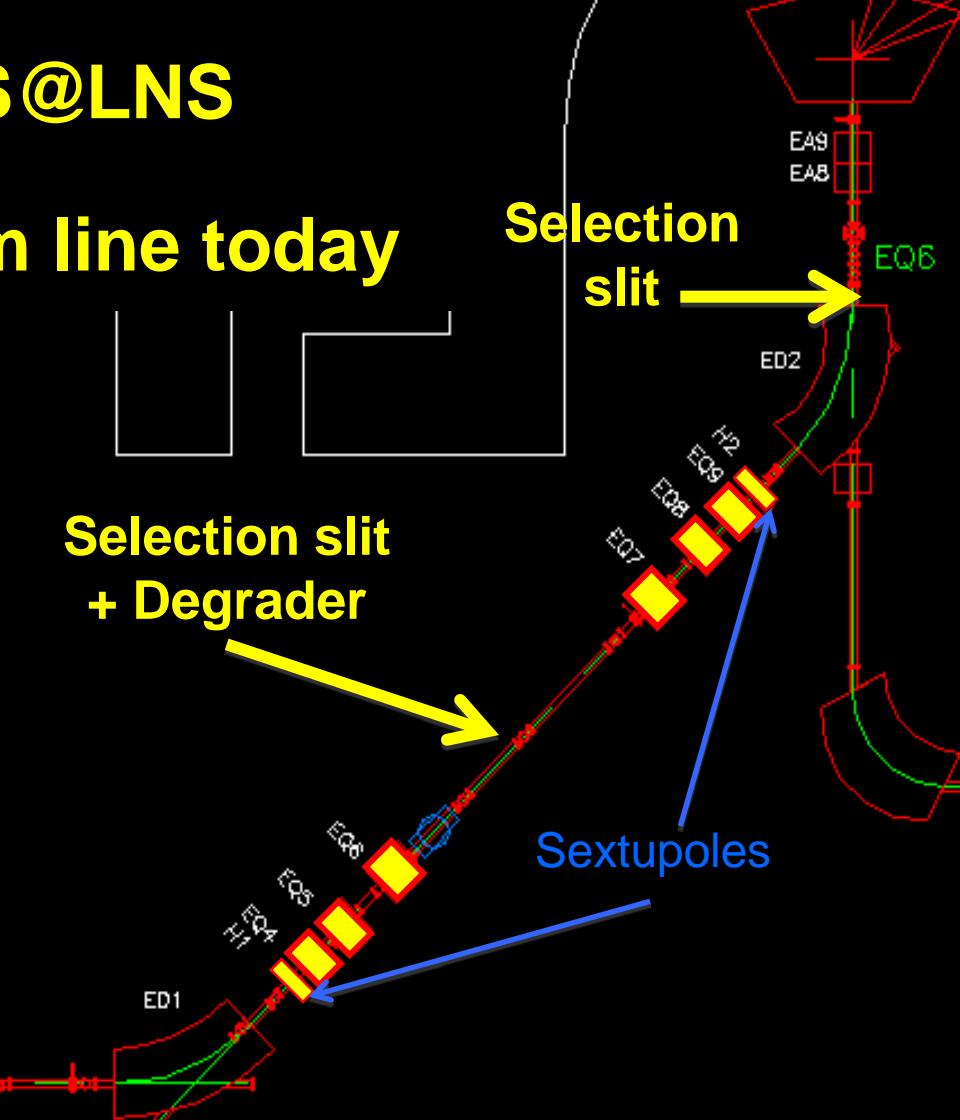
Upgrading of FRIBS@LNS

The new extraction beam line today

CYCLOTRON

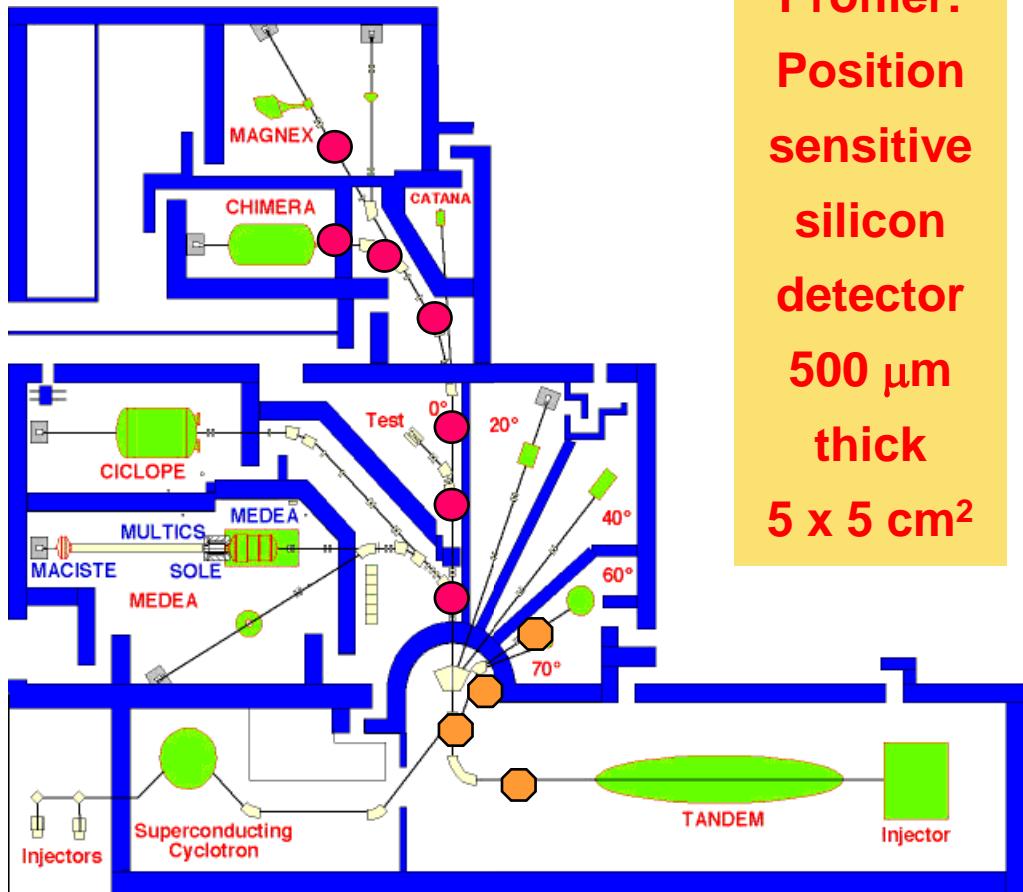


moving
Target and
Collimators
Production
target
new position

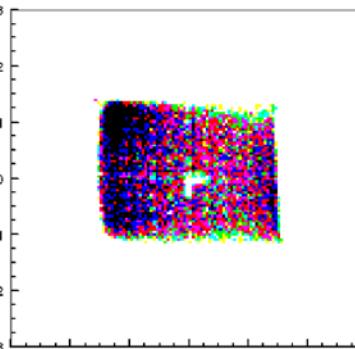
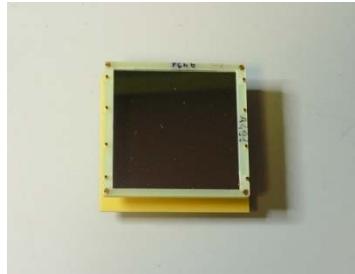


- More (and more powerful) quadrupoles (differently located)
- New position of the production target
- 2 sextupoles

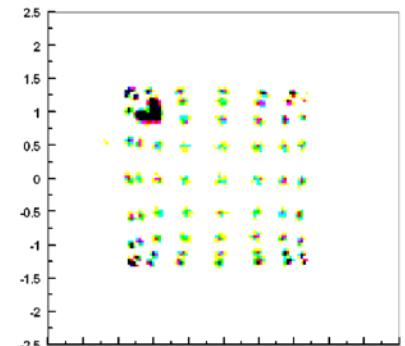
Low intensity diagnostics in the Chimera and Magnex beam lines



Profiler:
Position
sensitive
silicon
detector
 $500\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
thick
 $5 \times 5\text{ cm}^2$



Cyclotron beam

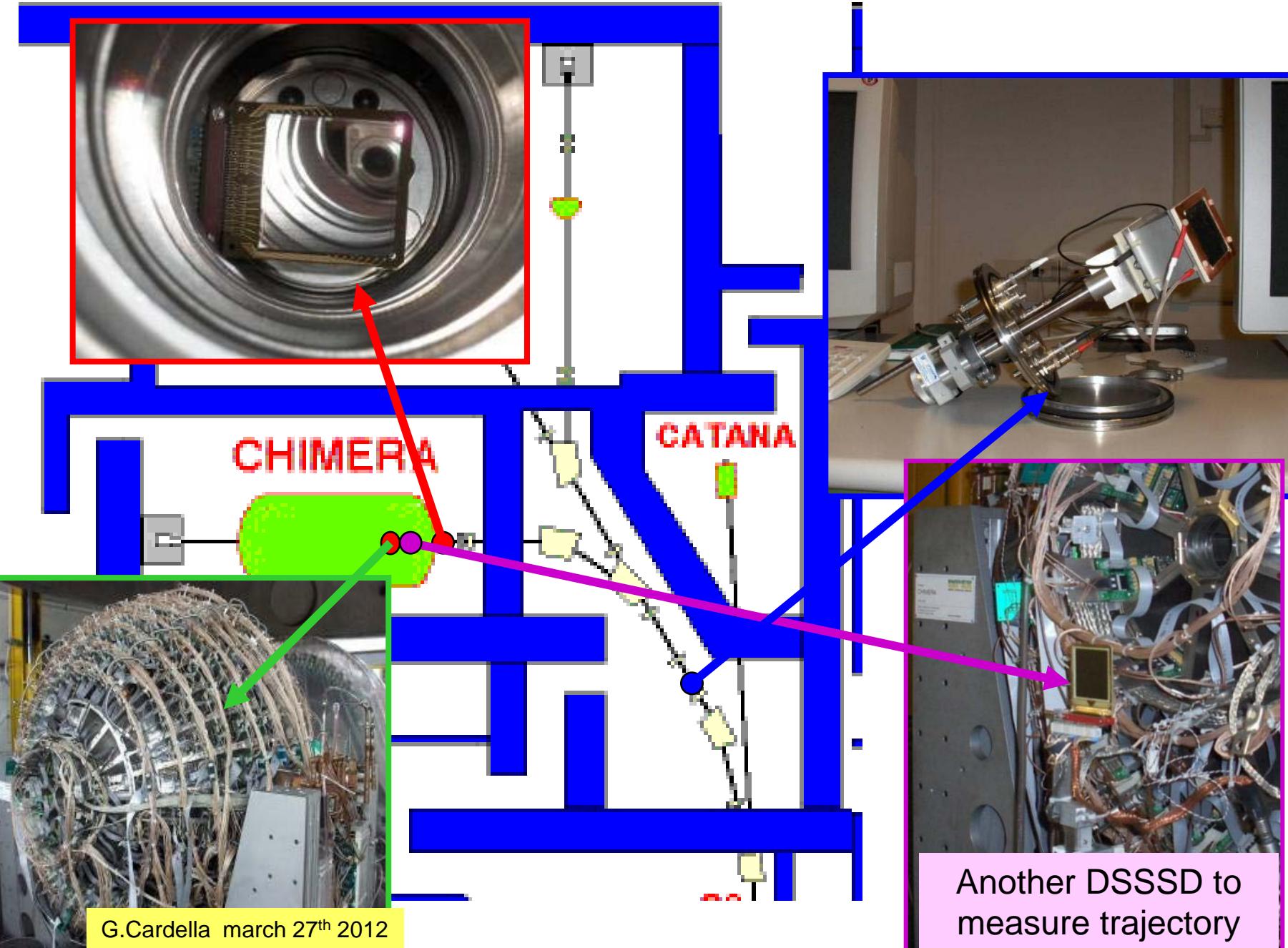


Tandem beam

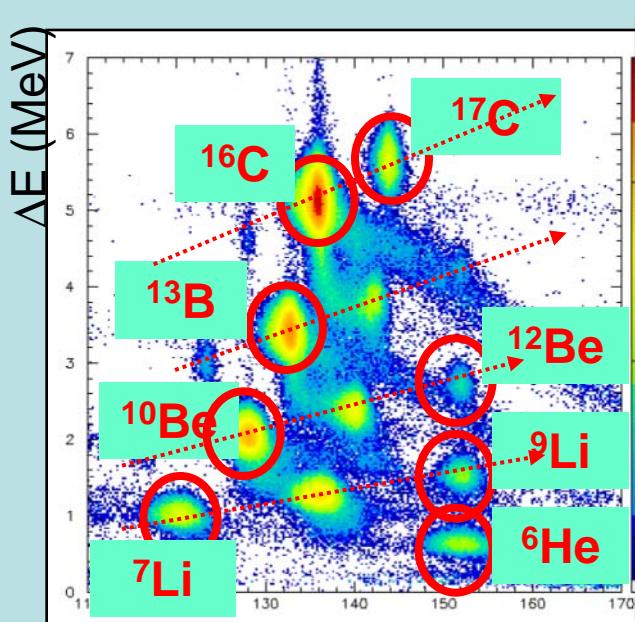
Counter:
plastic
scintillator
BC408 + PM



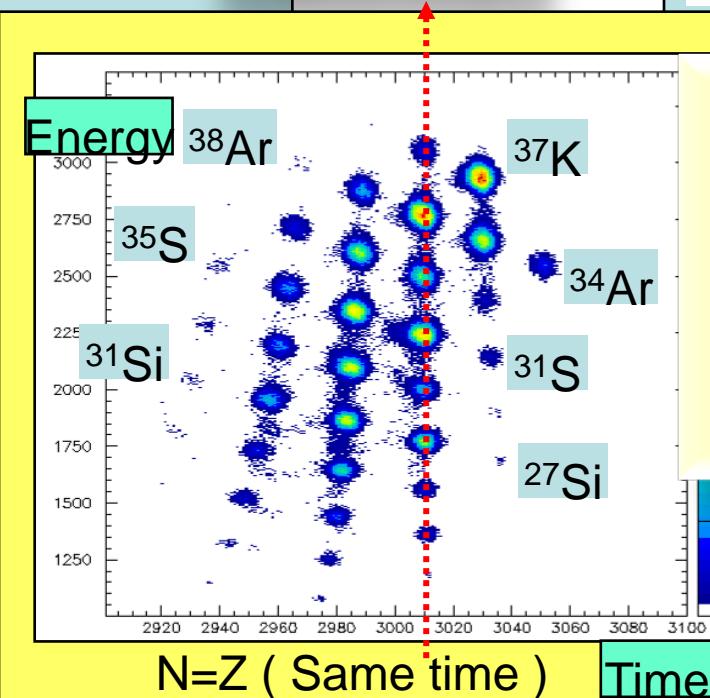
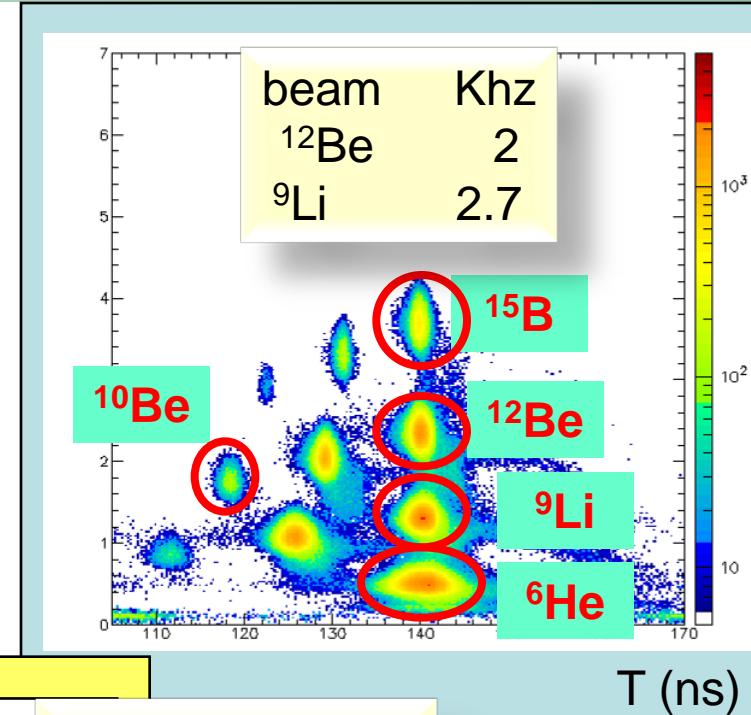
FRIBS@LNS Tagging system



Intensities of some beams available in the CHIMERA Hall



¹⁸O 55
MeV/A 100 W
primary beam
(6.3×10^{11} p/s)
beam Khz
¹⁶C 60
¹³B 40
E~50 MeV/A
 $\Delta P/P < 1\%$

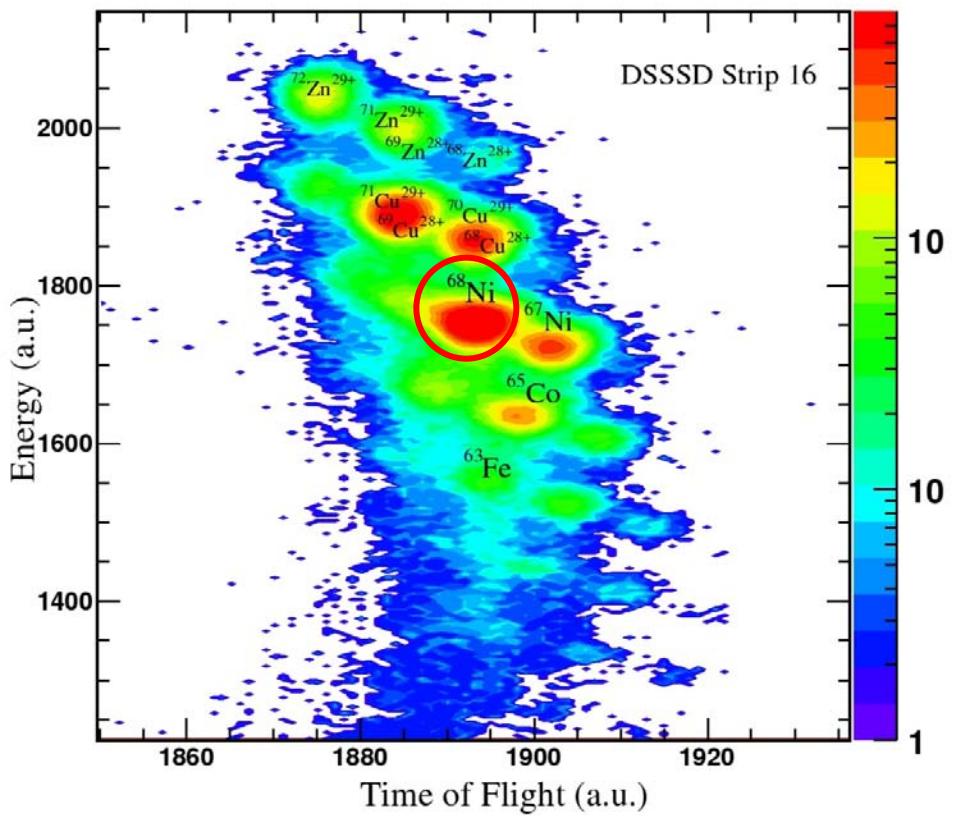


Beam Khz

³⁷ K	14
³⁴ Ar	1.8

Energy ~ 20-25 MeV/A
(25 W ³⁶Ar primary beam)

NEW – MARCH 2012 : ^{68}Ni production with ^{70}Zn primary beam



The production rate was 7 KHz / 30 Watt; reaching 100 Watt of primary beam current, we could obtain 2×10^4 pps rate (Lise++ prediction is 5×10^4 pps / 0.1 kW)

Production of a ≈ 30 A.MeV ^{68}Ni beam at LNS (Time Scale Zn test)

We used a $^{70}\text{Zn}^{19+}$ (40 A.MeV) primary beam impinging on a 250 μm ^9Be target. The maximum intensity obtained for the primary beam was ≈ 300 enA (30 W)

Beams identification was obtained using the CHIMERA-IFEB **tagging system** constituted by a large surface MicroChannel plate followed by a Double Side 32x32 Silicon Strip Detector (DSSSD)

We verified that contamination due to not fully stripped ions can be neglected due to the low probability of charge state $< 27+$ (<10%) and to the stripping effect of the MCP foil

Beams developed at FRIBS@LNS

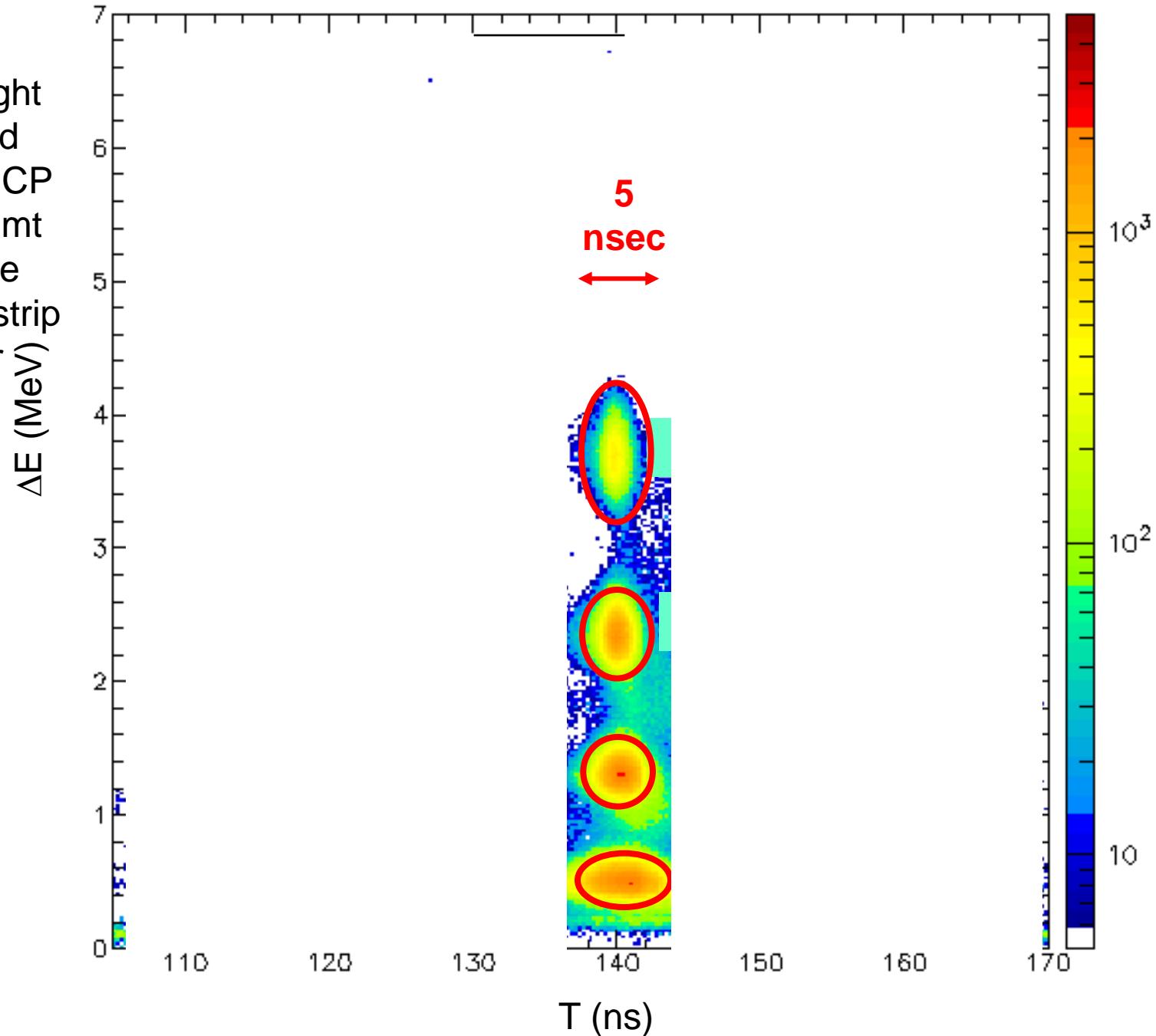
primary beam	beam	intensity (kHz/100W)
18O 55 AMeV	16C	120
setting 11Be	17C	12
	13B	80
	11Be	20
	10Be	60
	8Li	20
18O 55 AMeV	14B	3
setting 12Be	12Be	5
	9Li	6
	6He	12
13C 55 AMeV	11be	50
setting 11Be	12B	100
36Ar 42 AMeV	37K	100
setting 34Ar	35Ar	70
	36Ar	100
	37Ar	25
	33Cl	10
	34Cl	50
	35Cl	50
20Ne 35 AMeV	18Ne	50
setting ne18	17F	20
	21Na	100
70Zn 40 AMeV		
setting 68Ni	68Ni	20

A gain factor > 10 has been found out thanks to the 2010 upgrading

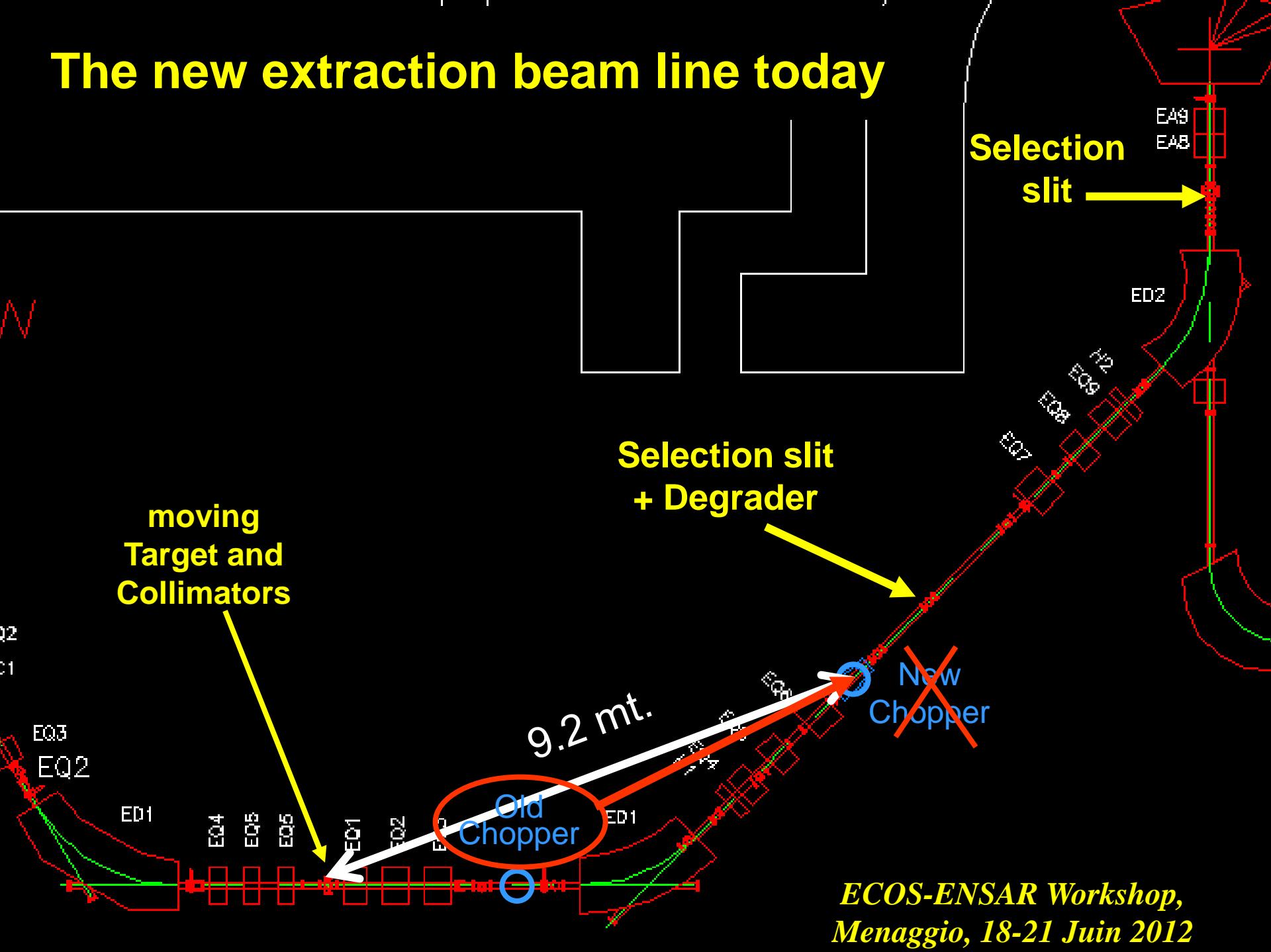
Limiting factors:

- Primary beam intensity;
- count rate of tagging system, lower than 0.2÷0.3 MHz

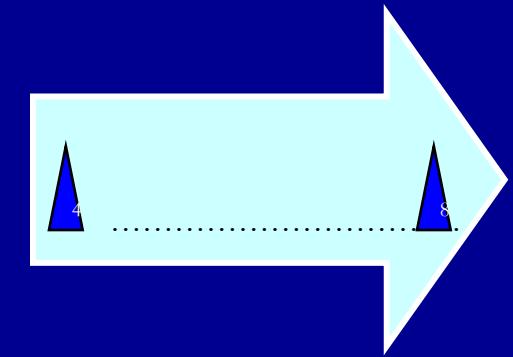
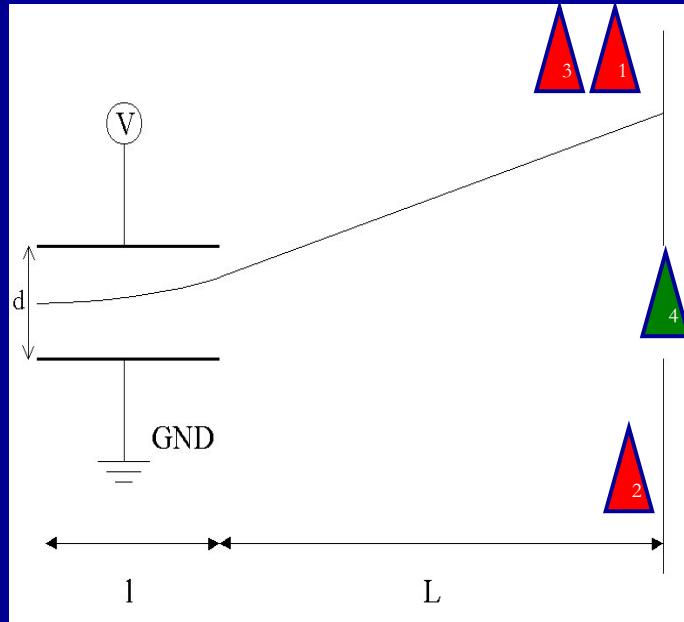
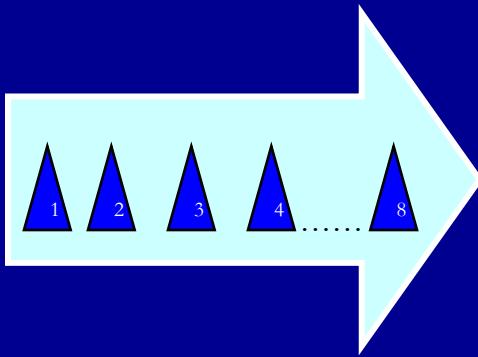
Time of flight
measured
between MCP
placed 13 mt
before the
CHIMERA strip
detector



The new extraction beam line today

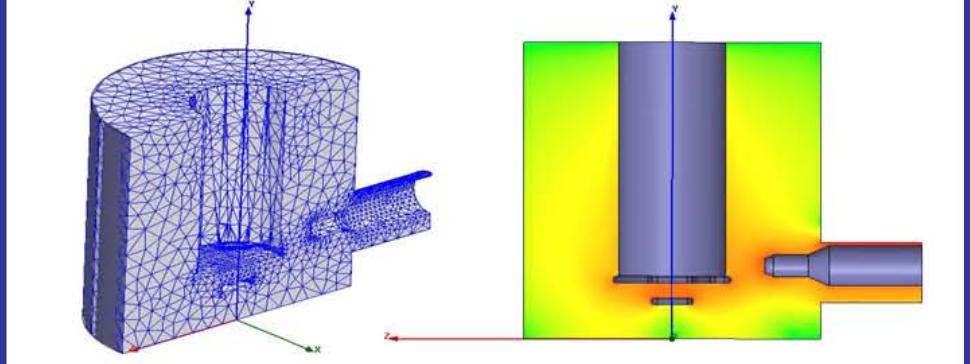


Chopper-500 basic working principle



The selected bunches:
1 bunch out of 4

The chopper-500 system
suppresses 3 bunches out of 4
and could cut the bunch length
from 1÷3 ns to 500ps FWHM.

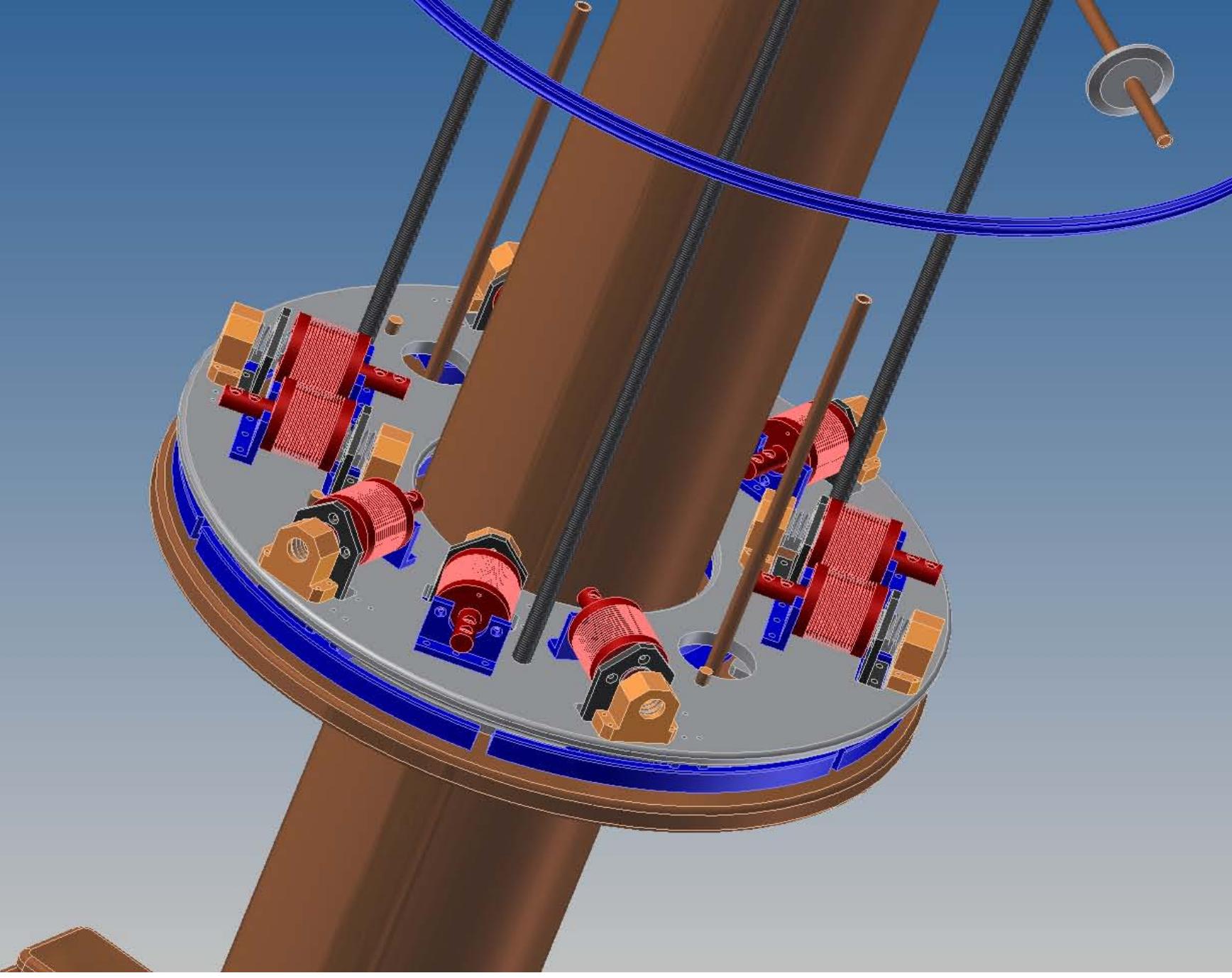


Mesh and distribution electric field



Refurbished sliding short
of the Chopper 500

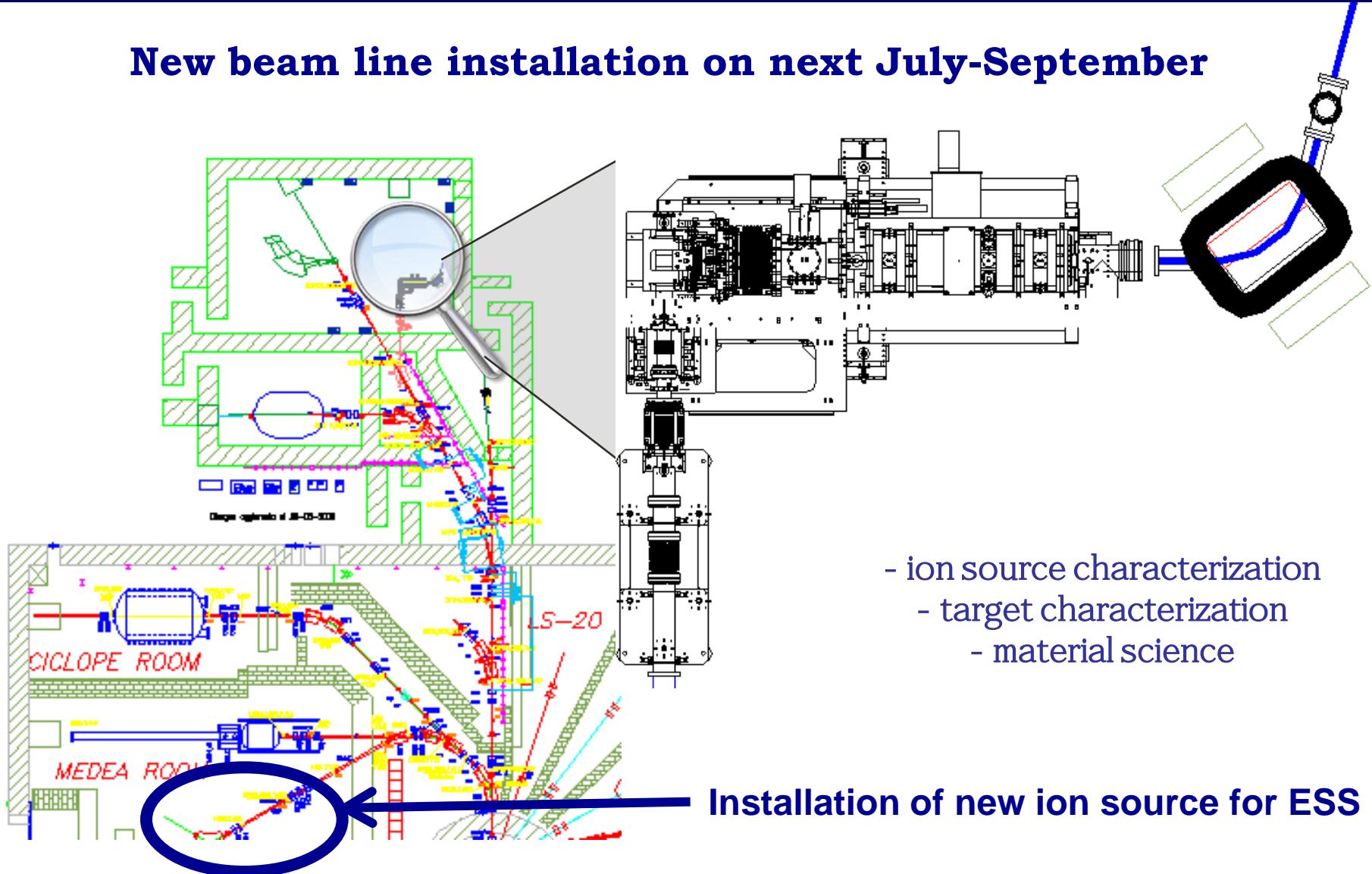




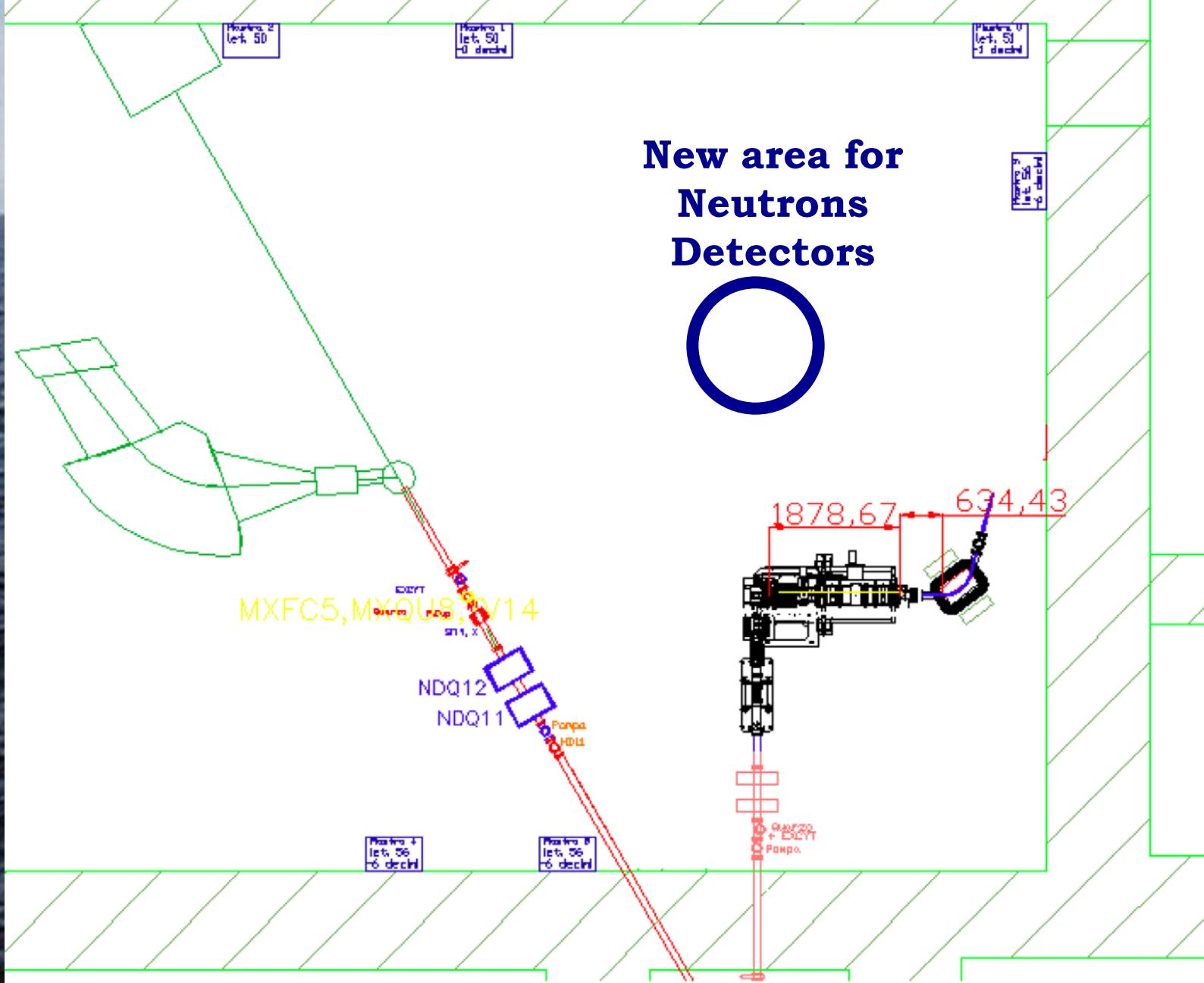
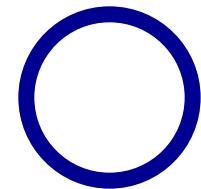
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Test bench for EXCYT and SPES

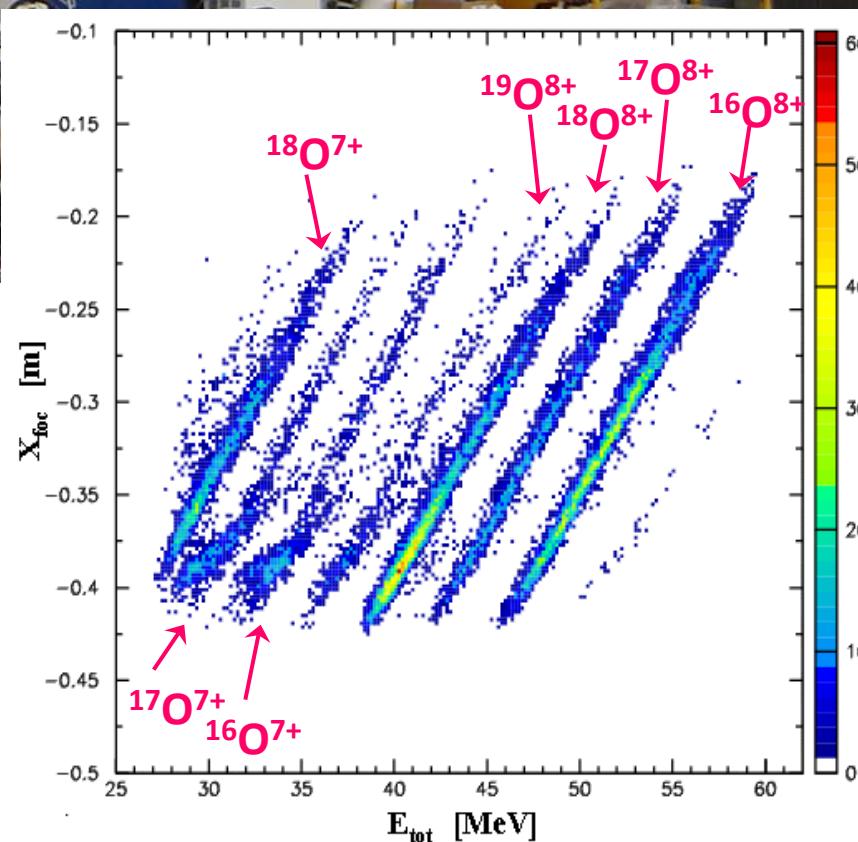
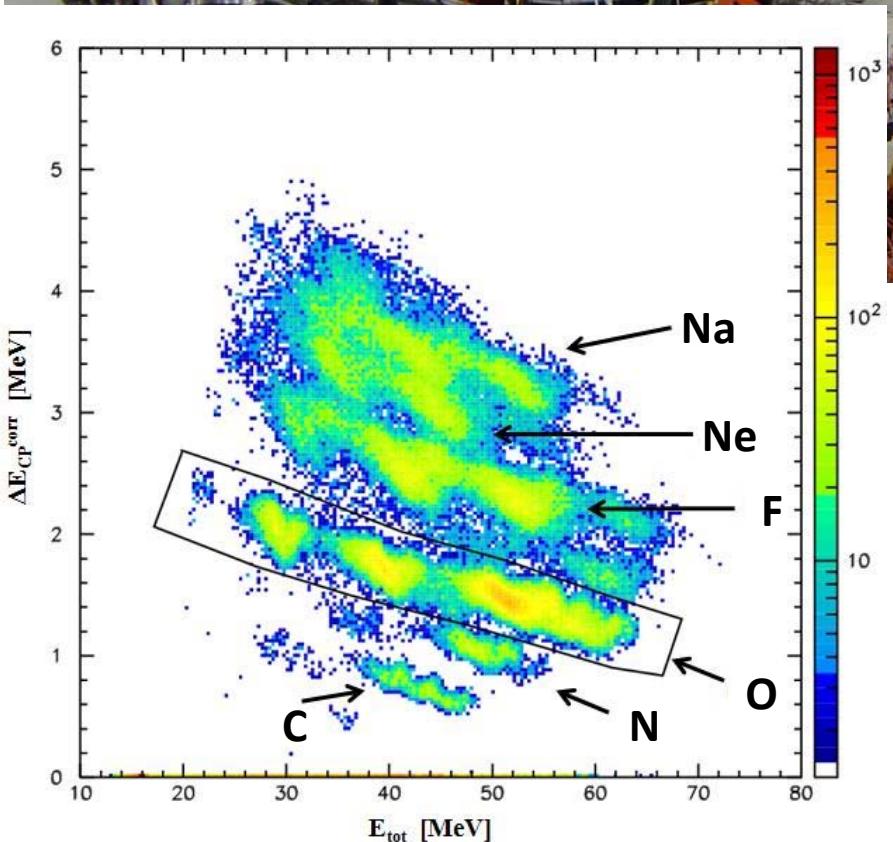
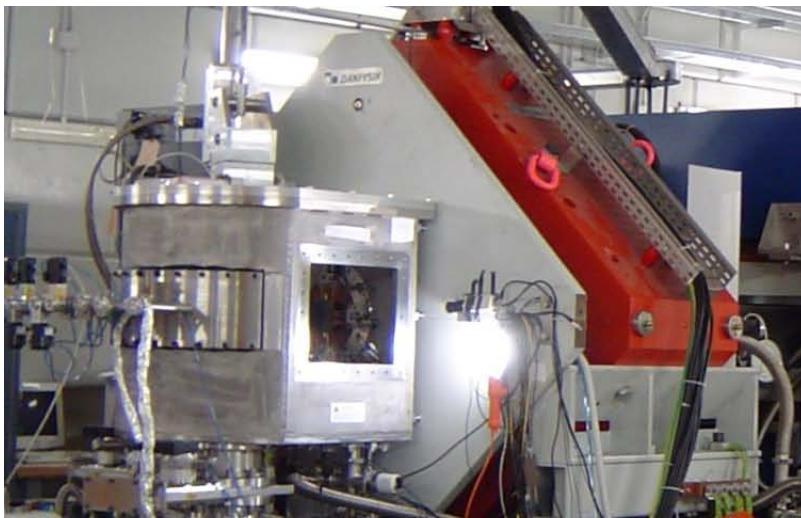
New beam line installation on next July-September



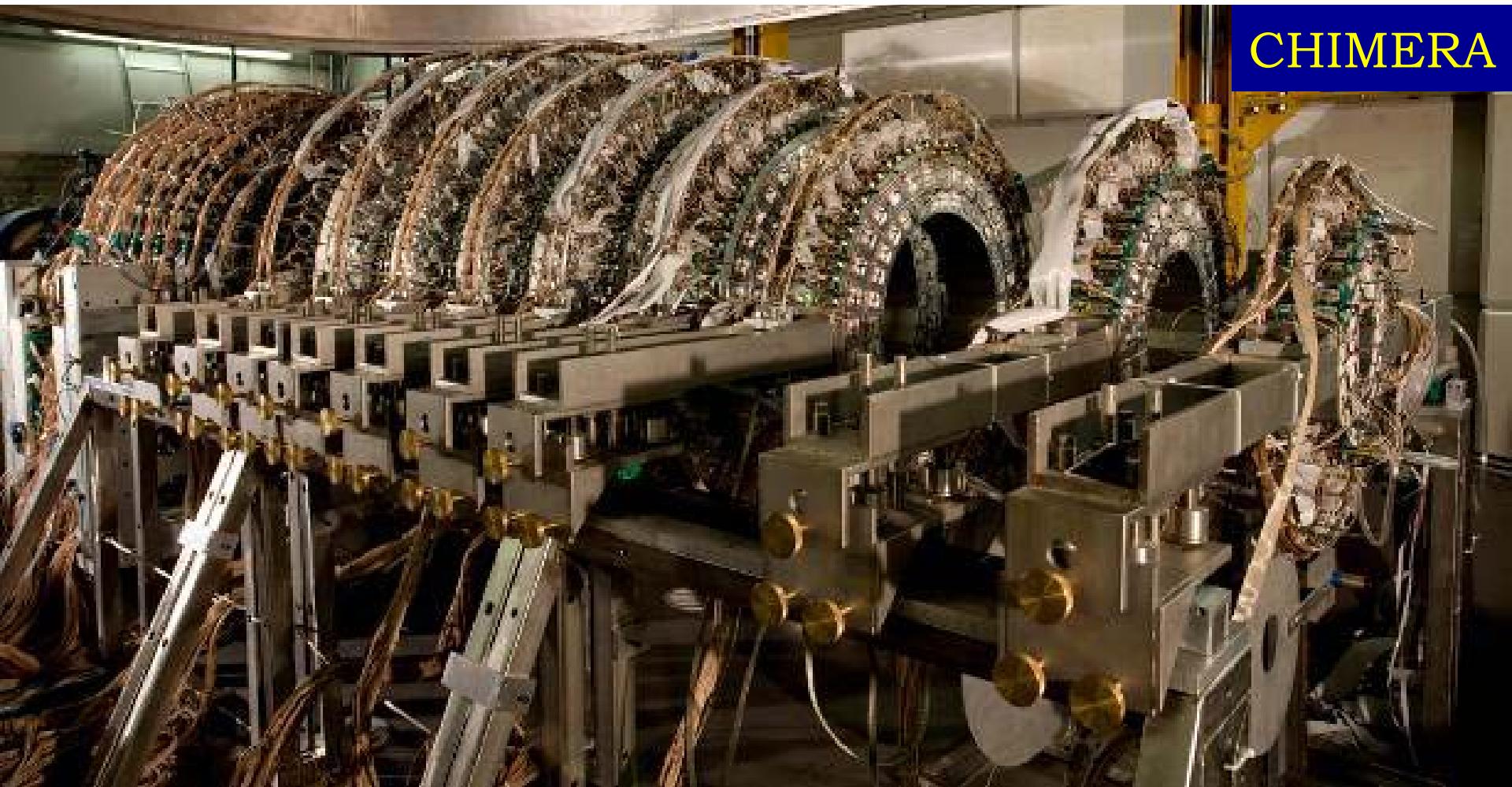
New area for
Neutrons
Detectors



MAGNEX + EDEN



**Main task of LNS accelerators is satisfy the beam request of
physics program based on MAGNEX, CHIMERA and
Nuclear Astrophysics**



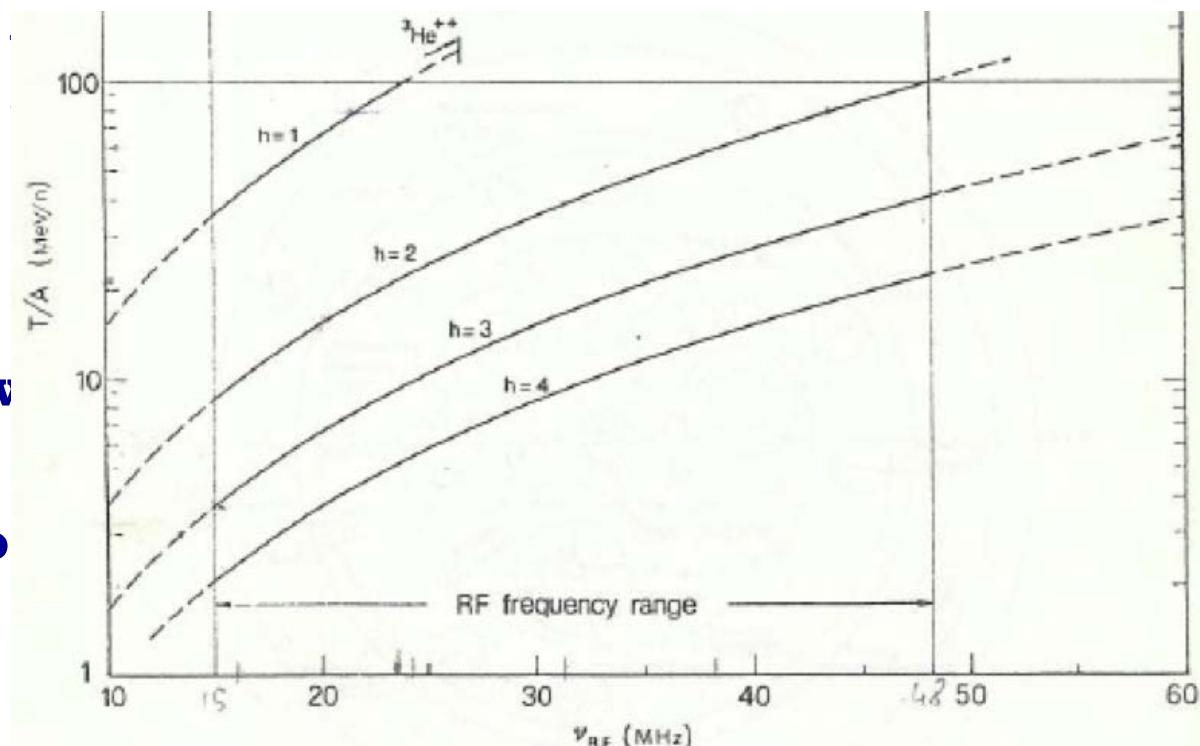
Beam availability - October 2012-July 2013

Cyclotron: the estimated amount of available beam time is 270 BTU + 85 for Catana + 60 for private users; research users ask for 494 BTU;

Develop program:

upgrading ECR sources to increase intensities of stable beams;
New central region for the cyclotron, to work in 3rd harmonic and deliver beams at low energy > 4 MeV/amu, very interesting for MAGNEX spectrometer;

Tandem:



This year we

This co

to start the experiments
scheduled

Its produced
new call

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CONCLUSION

- We have a design project to upgrade the SERSE source and to deliver higher intense stable beams from Cyclotron, but we are waiting for funds;
- We have a plan to refurbish the Tandem, but we are waiting for funds;
- The upgrading of beam intensity with **FRIBS@LNS** is in progress, and studies are in progress to increase the beam focusing on the primary target and then to deliver more intensity to the users

A scenic view of a lake with mountains in the background.

.... and that's all Folk
Thanks for your
attention