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Monte Carlo simulation of a collimation system for low-energy beamline (1-5 MeV) of ELI-NP Gamma Beam System

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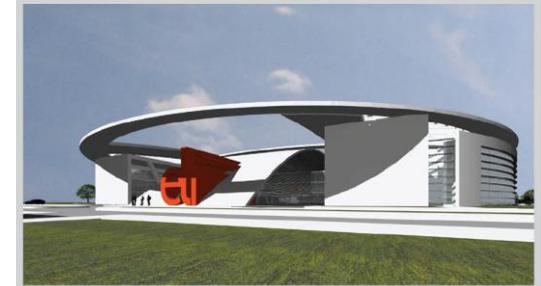
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The Extreme Light Infrastructure – ELI Project

ELI is a **European Project**, involving nearly 40 research and academic institutions from 13 EU Members Countries, forming a pan-European Laser facility, that aims to host frontier **high-power lasers**, as well as various **radiation beam-lines** (electrons, protons, x-rays and gamma rays) for different applications.

- **ELI-Nuclear Physics** (Bucharest, [Romania](#)): dedicated to the development of laser beams and the generation of **high-intensity gamma beams** for frontier research in nuclear physics.
- **ELI-Beamlines** (med-biomed) (Prague, [Czech Republic](#))
- **ELI-Attosecond** (Szeged, [Hungary](#))



EuroGammas for ELI-NP gamma beam system

One of the goals of ELI-NP infrastructure is the production of gamma beam (ELI-NP-GBS) using inverse Compton scattering of laser light from an accelerated electron beam for nuclear physics experiments.

- **The gamma beam produced is expected to have:**
 - Energy tunable in the interval between **1 MeV and 20 MeV**,
 - Energy bandwidth $\Delta E/E < 0.5\%$,
 - About **10^8 photons per second within FWHM**
- EuroGammaS Association is composed by INFN, as leader, the Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza", CNRS, ACP S.A.S., Alsyom S.A.S., Comeb Srl, ScandiNova Systems AB.
- **EuroGammaS will provide the design, manufacturing, delivery, installation, testing, commissioning and maintenance of the Gamma Beam System (GBS)**, for the benefit of the ELI-NP project, managed by the Horia Hulubei National Institute for Physics and Nuclear Engineering Bucharest - Magurele, ROMANIA.

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ELI-NP gamma beam system parameter list

Table 63. Gamma-ray beam for selected collision examples (from Start-to-end simulations)

all quantities are rms	Low Energy Interaction	Low Energy Interaction	High Energy Interaction	High Energy Interaction
Energy (MeV)	2.00	3.45	9.87	19.5
Spectral Density (ph/sec.eV)	39,760	21,840	16,860	8,400
Bandwidth (%)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
# photons per shot within FWHM	$1.2 \cdot 10^5$	$1.1 \cdot 10^5$	$2.6 \cdot 10^5$	$2.5 \cdot 10^5$
# photons/sec within FWHM	$4.0 \cdot 10^8$	$3.7 \cdot 10^8$	$8.3 \cdot 10^8$	$8.1 \cdot 10^8$
Source rms size (μm)	12	11	11	10
Source rms divergence (μrad)	140	100	50	40
Peak Brilliance ($N_{\text{ph}}/\text{sec}\cdot\text{mm}^2\cdot\text{mrad}^2 \cdot 0.1\%$)	$9.1 \cdot 10^{21}$	$1.9 \cdot 10^{22}$	$1.8 \cdot 10^{23}$	$3.3 \cdot 10^{23}$
Average Brilliance ($N_{\text{ph}}/\text{sec}\cdot\text{mm}^2\cdot\text{mrad}^2 \cdot 0.1\%$)	$2.9 \cdot 10^{13}$	$6.2 \cdot 10^{13}$	$5.9 \cdot 10^{14}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{15}$
Rad. pulse length (rms, psec)	0.92	0.91	0.95	0.9
Linear Polarization (%)	> 99.8	> 99.8	> 99.8	> 99.8
Macro rep. rate (Hz)	100	100	100	100
# of pulses per macropulse	32	32	32	32
Pulse-to-pulse sep. (nsec)	16	16	16	16
Contrast ratio 1 st / 2 nd harmonic	$1.5 \cdot 10^5$	$8.5 \cdot 10^4$	$7.0 \cdot 10^4$	$4.4 \cdot 10^4$
Luminosity @ (1,0.5) psec delay	(94,99) %	(92,98) %	(91,98) %	(85,96) %
Lumin. @ (5,2) μm misalignment	(98,99) %	(96,99) %	(90,97) %	(87,95) %

Gamma beam specifications

Photon energy	0.2-19.5 MeV
Spectral Density	$0.8\text{-}4 \cdot 10^4 \text{ ph/sec.eV}$
Bandwidth (rms)	$\leq 0.5\%$
# photons per shot within FWHM bdw.	$\leq 2.6 \cdot 10^5$
# photons/sec within FWHM bdw.	$\leq 8.3 \cdot 10^8$
Source rms size	10 - 30 μm
Source rms divergence	25 - 200 μrad
Peak Brilliance ($N_{\text{ph}}/\text{sec}\cdot\text{mm}^2\cdot\text{mrad}^2 \cdot 0.1\%$)	10^{20} - 10^{23}
Radiation pulse length (rms, psec)	0.7 - 1.5
Linear Polarization	> 99 %
Macro rep. rate	100 Hz
# of pulses per macropulse	≤ 32
Pulse-to-pulse separation	16 nsec

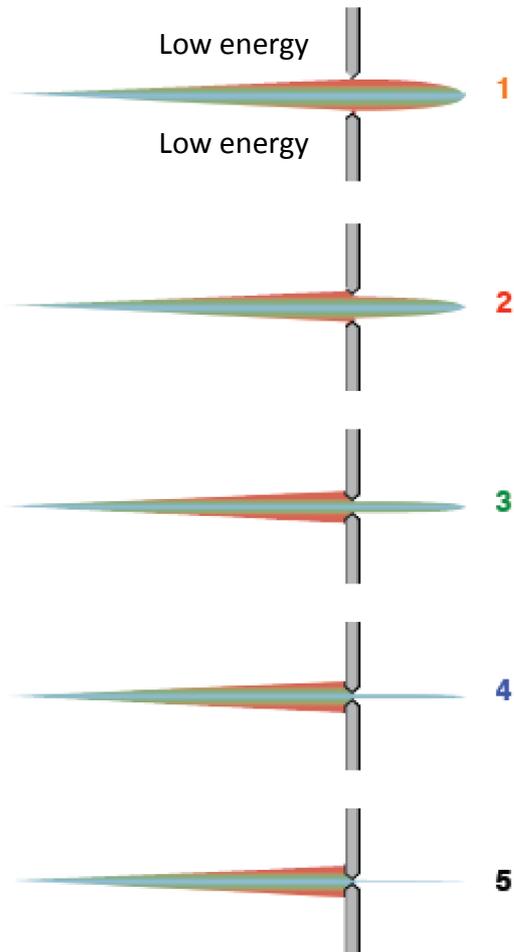
Technical Design Report EuroGammaS proposal for the ELI-NP Gamma beam System With 73 tables and 230 figures

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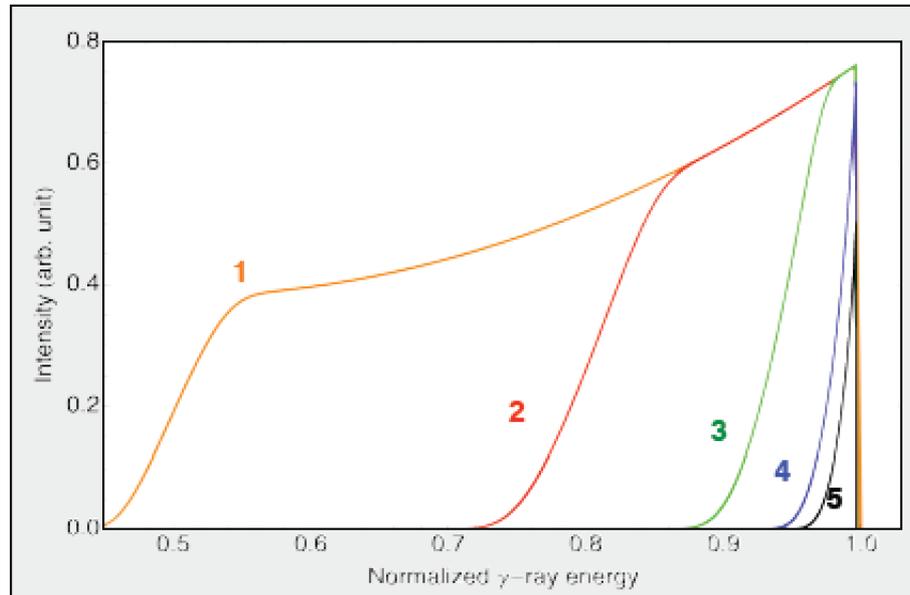
IC Gamma beam collimation system

Inverse Compton radiation is not intrinsically monochromatic, the energy is related to the emission angle.

The required energy band-width can be obtained only by developing specific methods of collimation of gamma beam.



$$\Delta\theta \approx \frac{1}{\gamma} ; \Delta\nu_{\gamma} \approx 50\%$$



$$Dq \approx \frac{e_n}{S_x g} ; Dn_g \approx \left(\frac{e_n^2}{S_x^2} \right)$$

no red shift considered

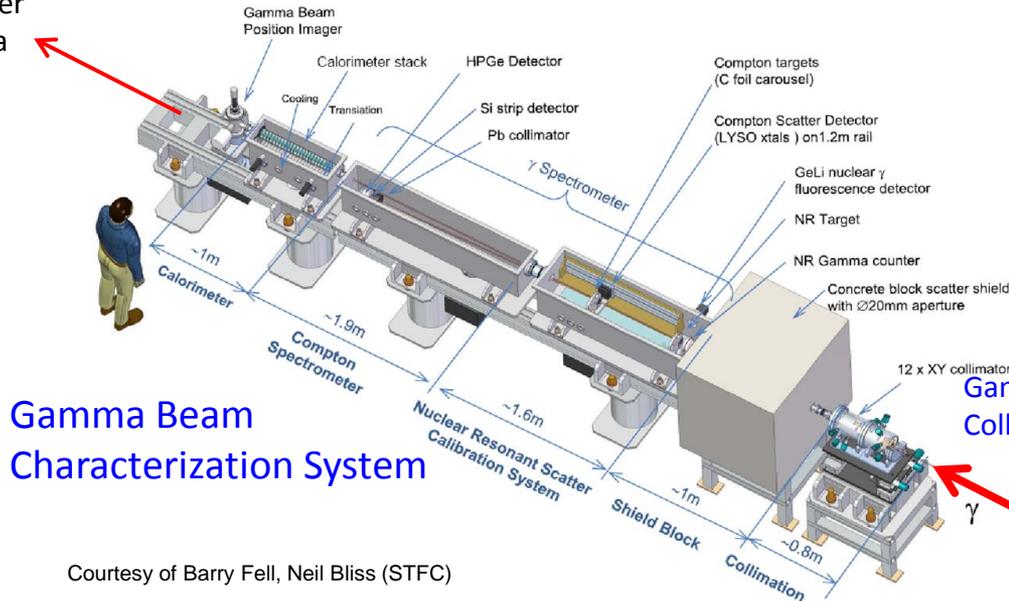
EuroGammas WP09 and collimation system

- To obtain the desired **energy bandwidth < 0.5 %** at 20 MeV a collimation at 40 μrad **semi-divergence** is needed, demanding a very challenging design
- These divergence corresponds to **collimation apertures that varies from few mm to less than 0.7 mm**, depending on the distance IP-CS and on the selected beam energy

Main requirements of the collimation system:

- Low transmission of gamma photons** (high density and high atomic number)
- Continuously adjustable aperture** (to adjust the energy band-width in the entire energy range)
- Avoid contamination of the primary beam** with production of secondary radiation

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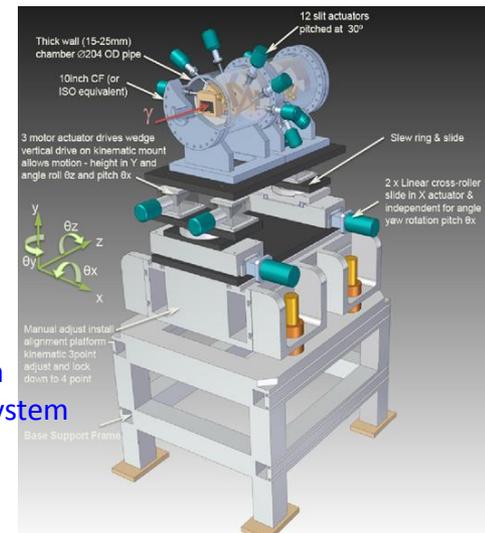


Gamma Beam
Characterization System

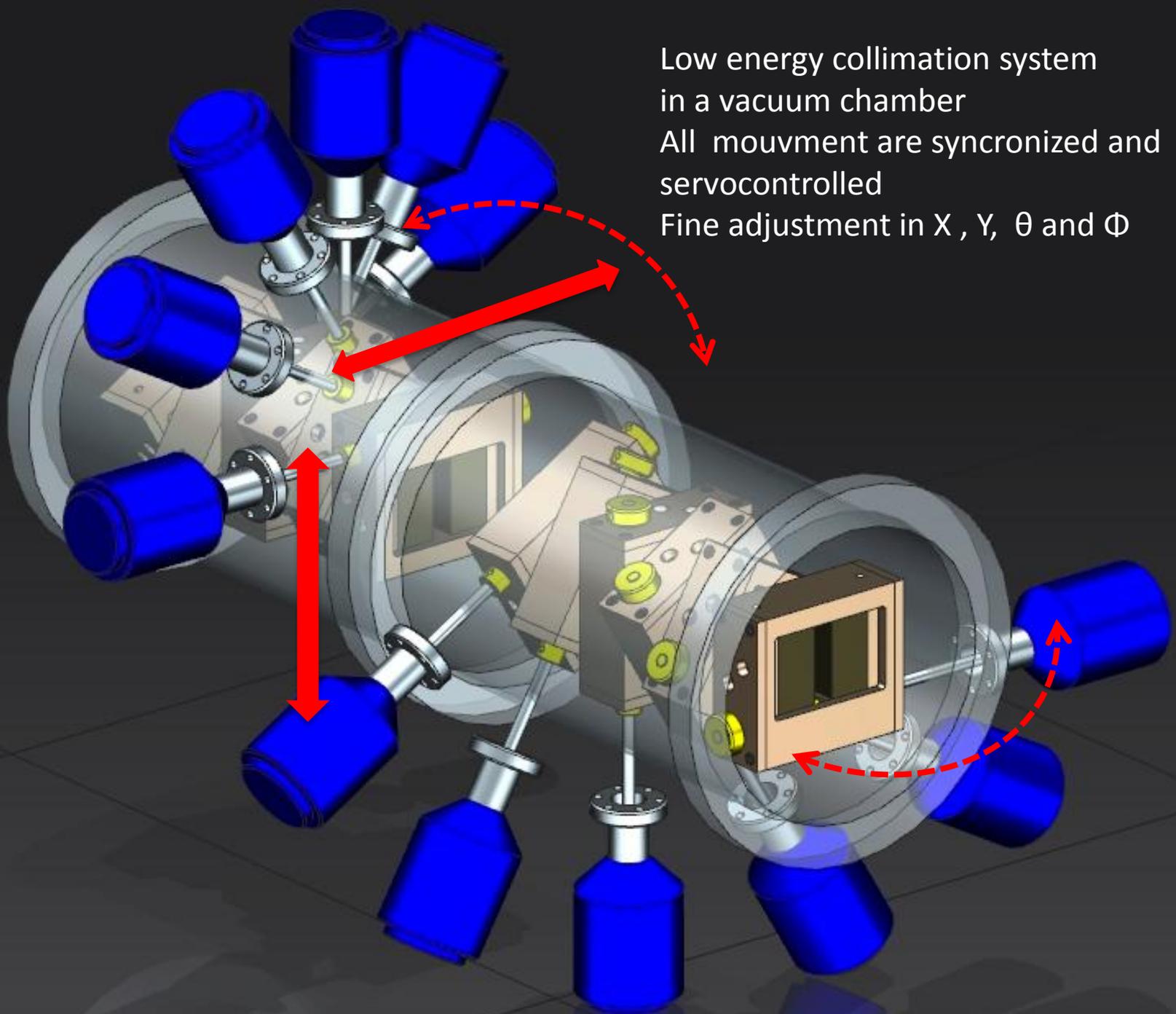
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Gamma Beam
Collimation System

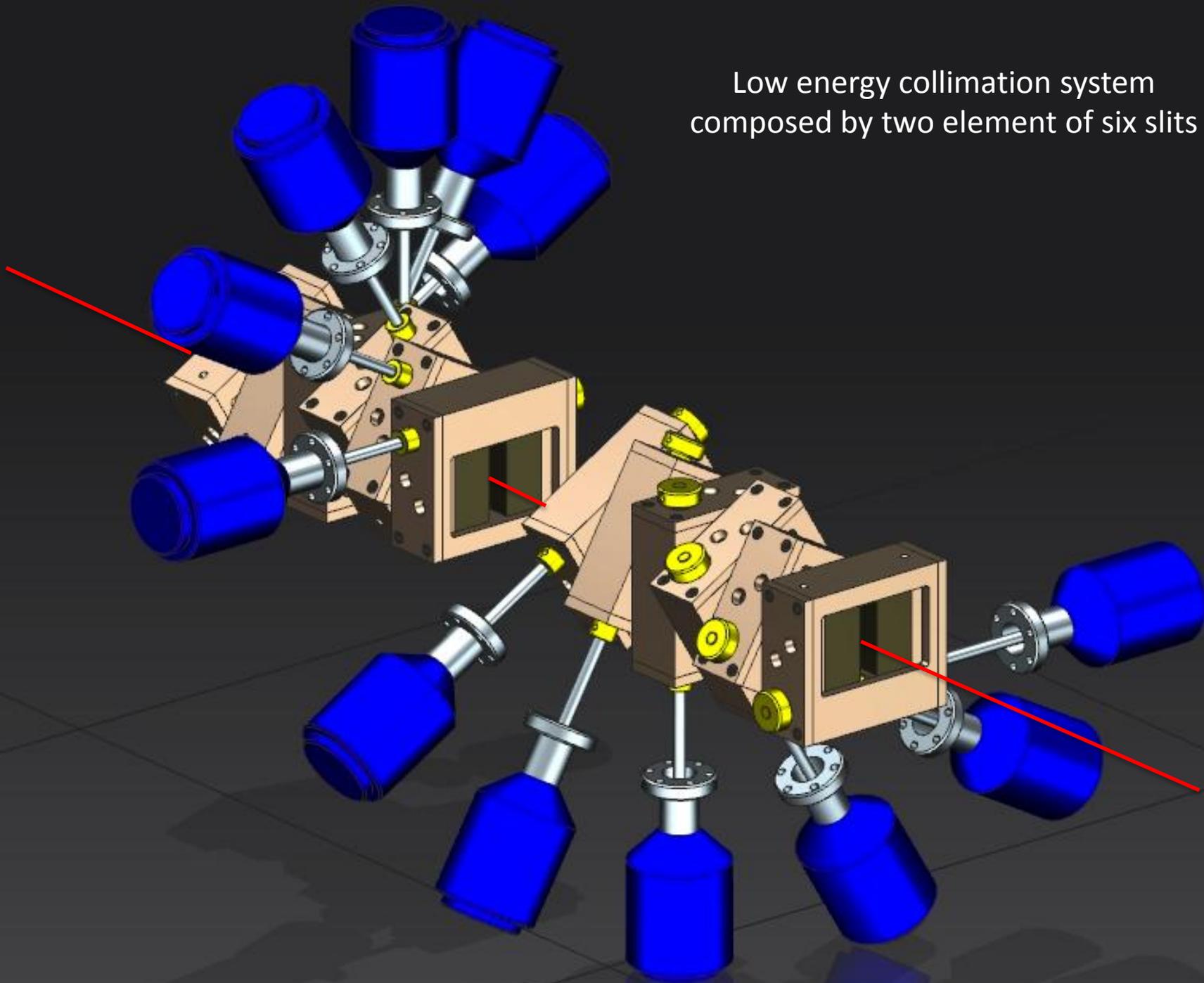
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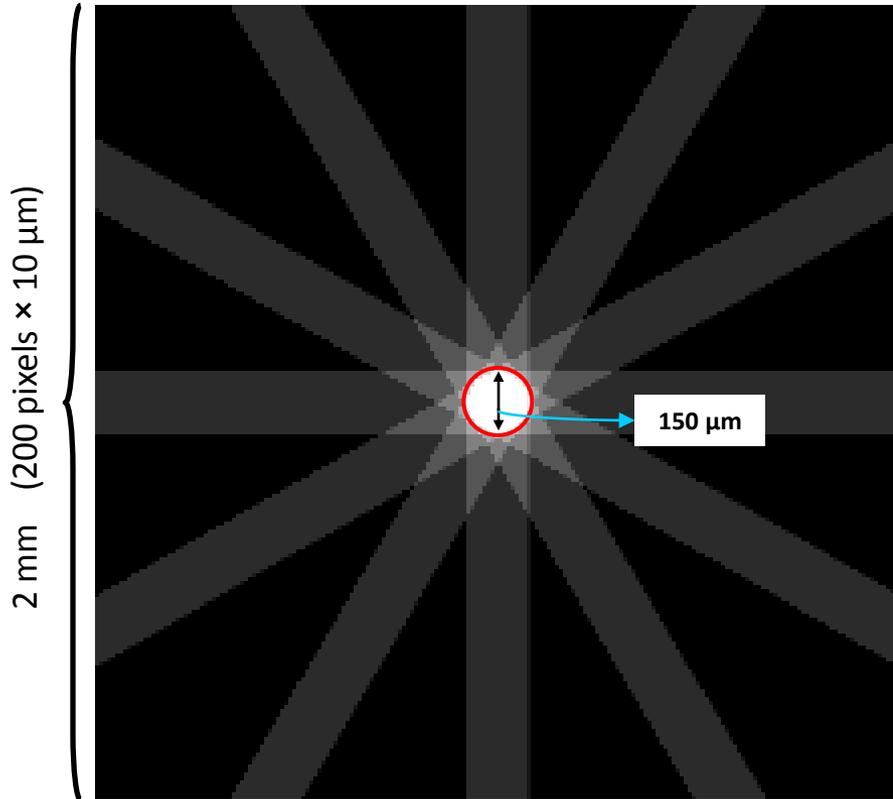
Low energy collimation system
in a vacuum chamber
All movements are synchronized and
servocontrolled
Fine adjustment in X, Y, θ and Φ



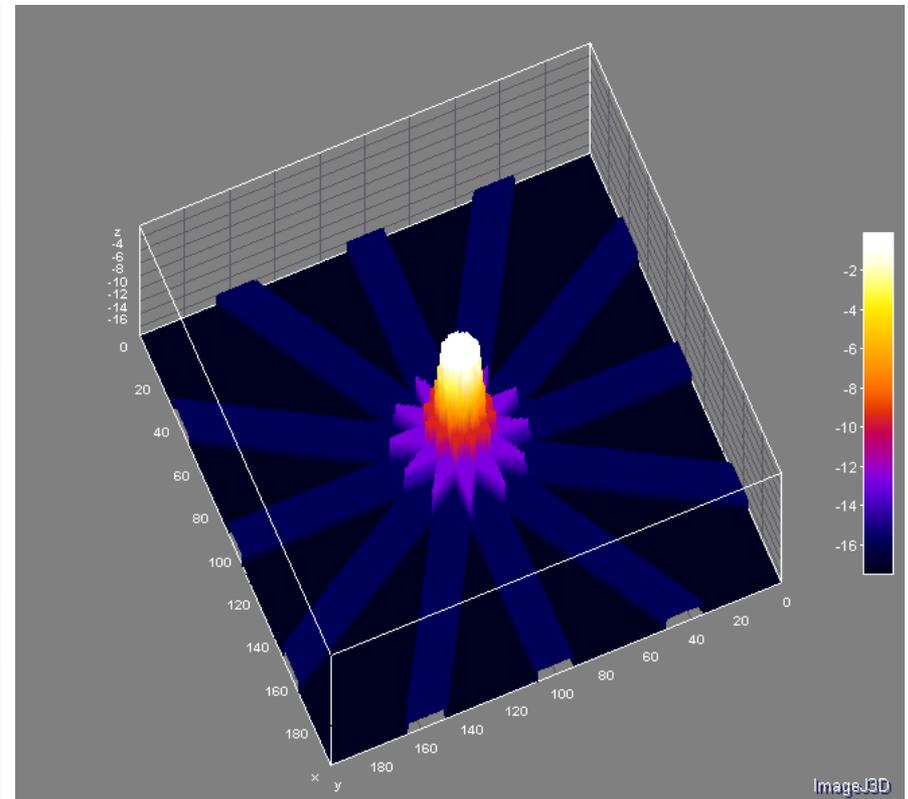
Low energy collimation system
composed by two element of six slits



MC simulation for LE (~ 5 MeV)

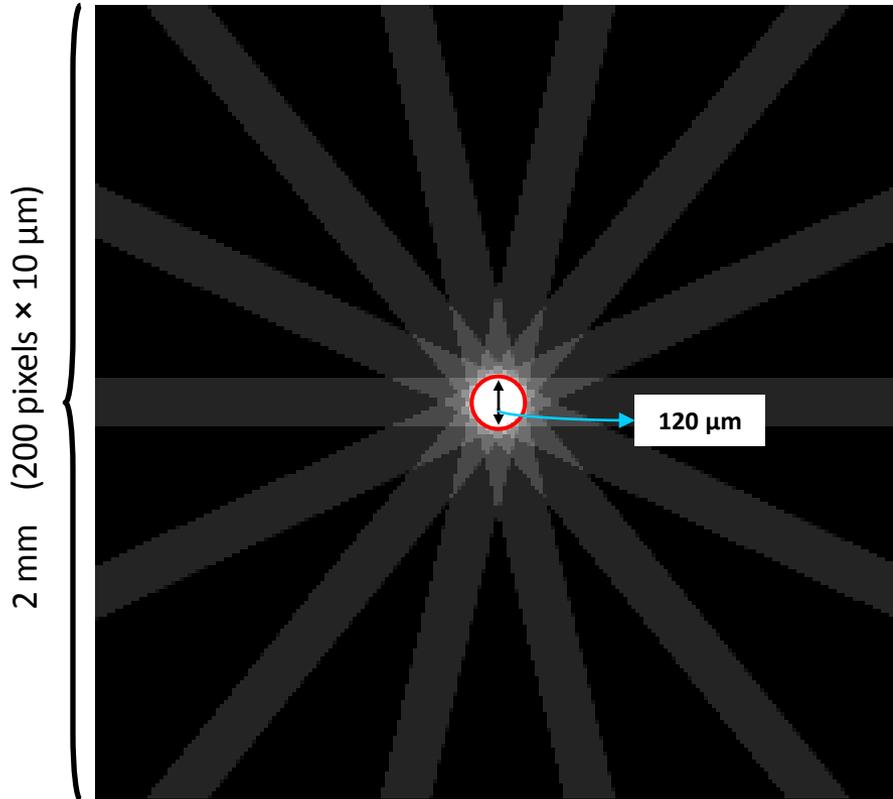


Simulated radiography of the collimator assembly (log scale)

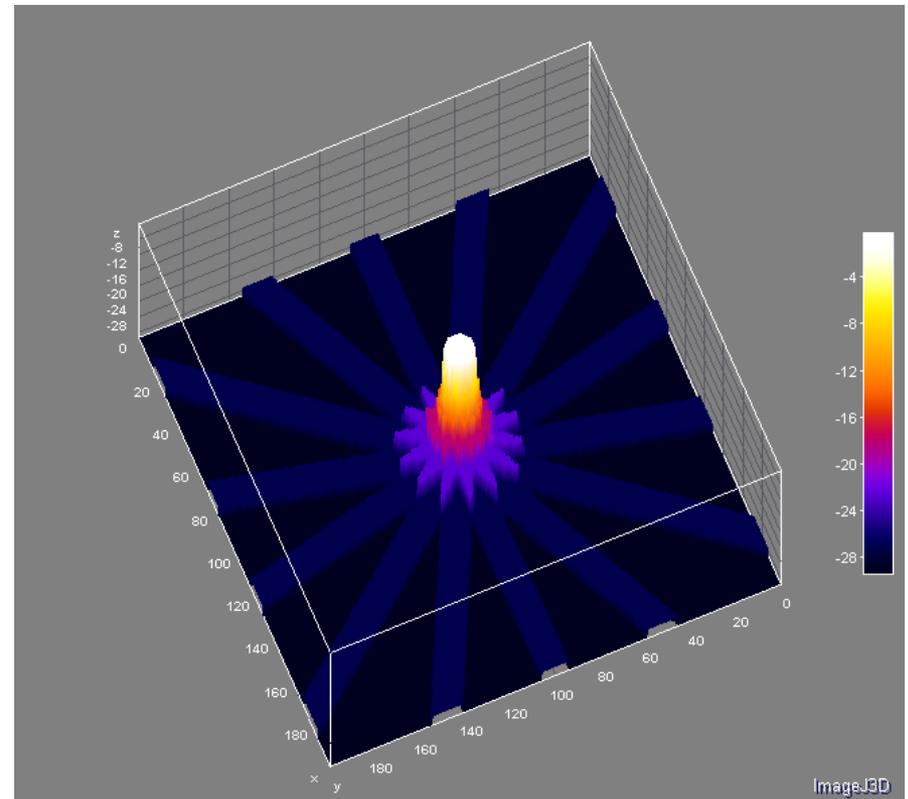


3D plot

MC simulation for HE (~ 19.5 MeV)

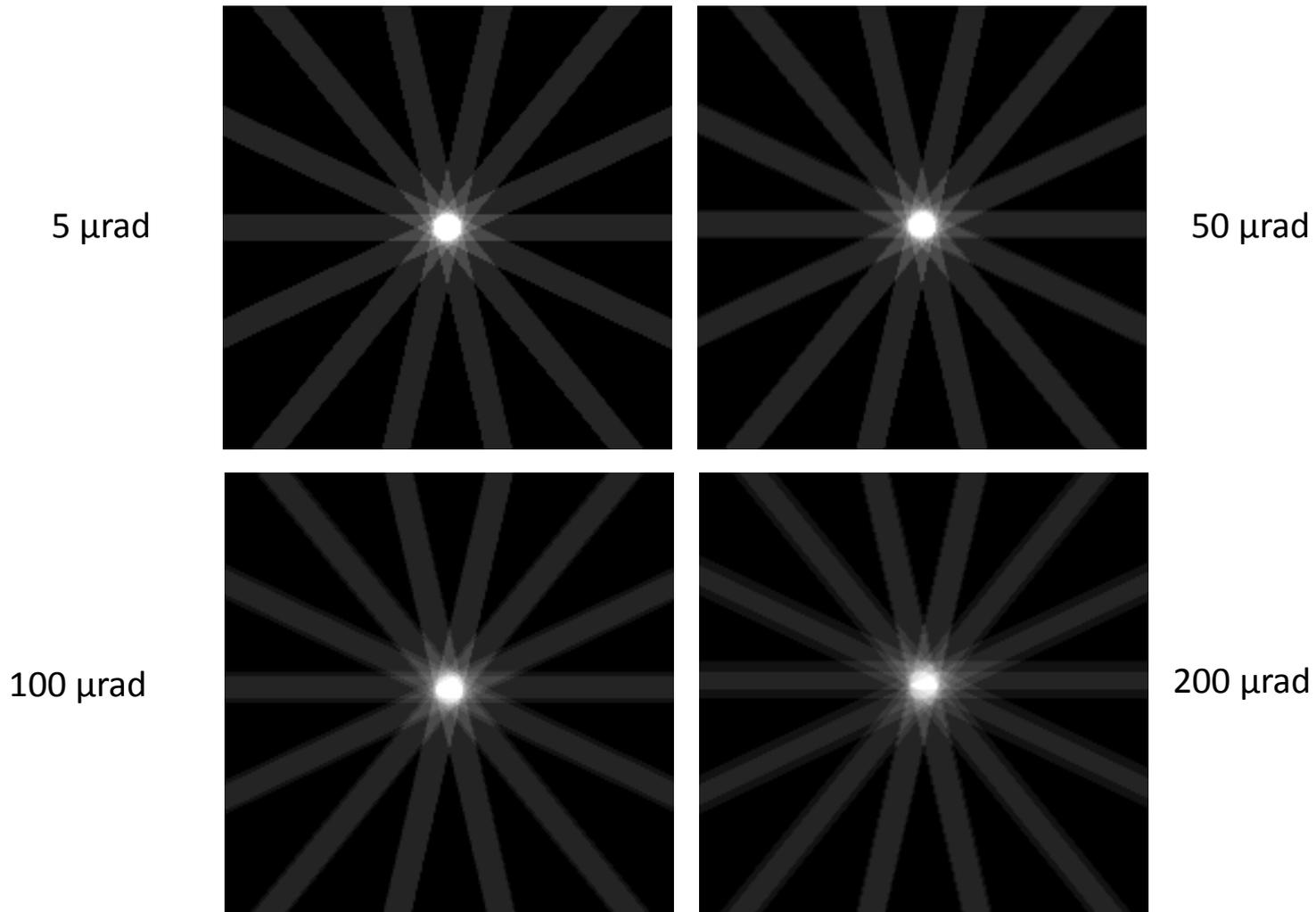


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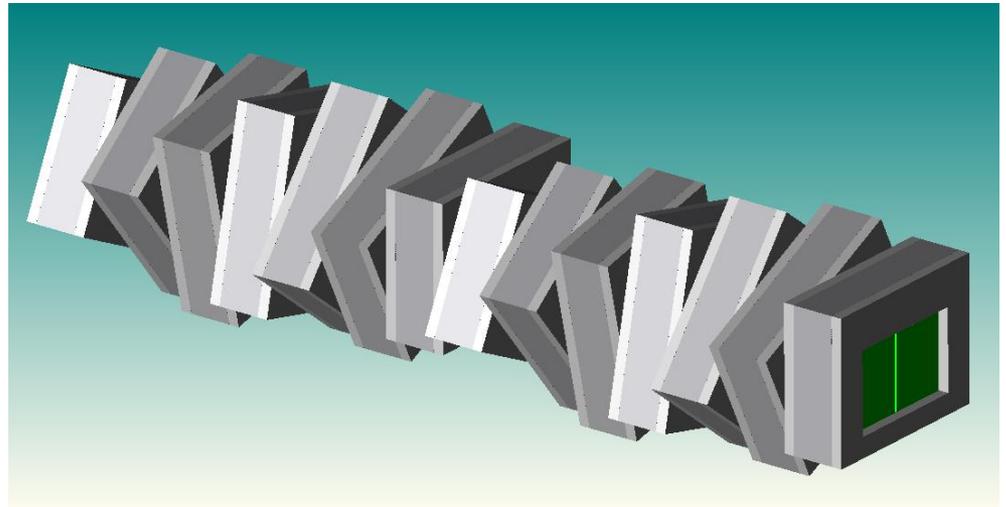
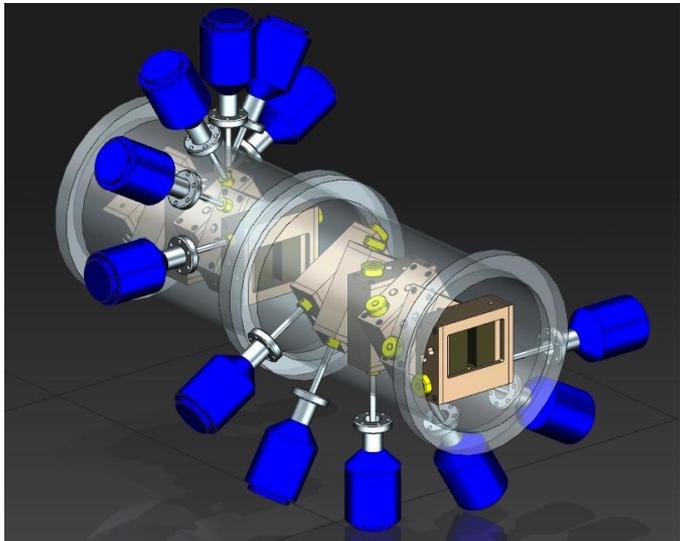
Alignment accuracy for the collimation system structure at HE (~ 19.5 MeV)



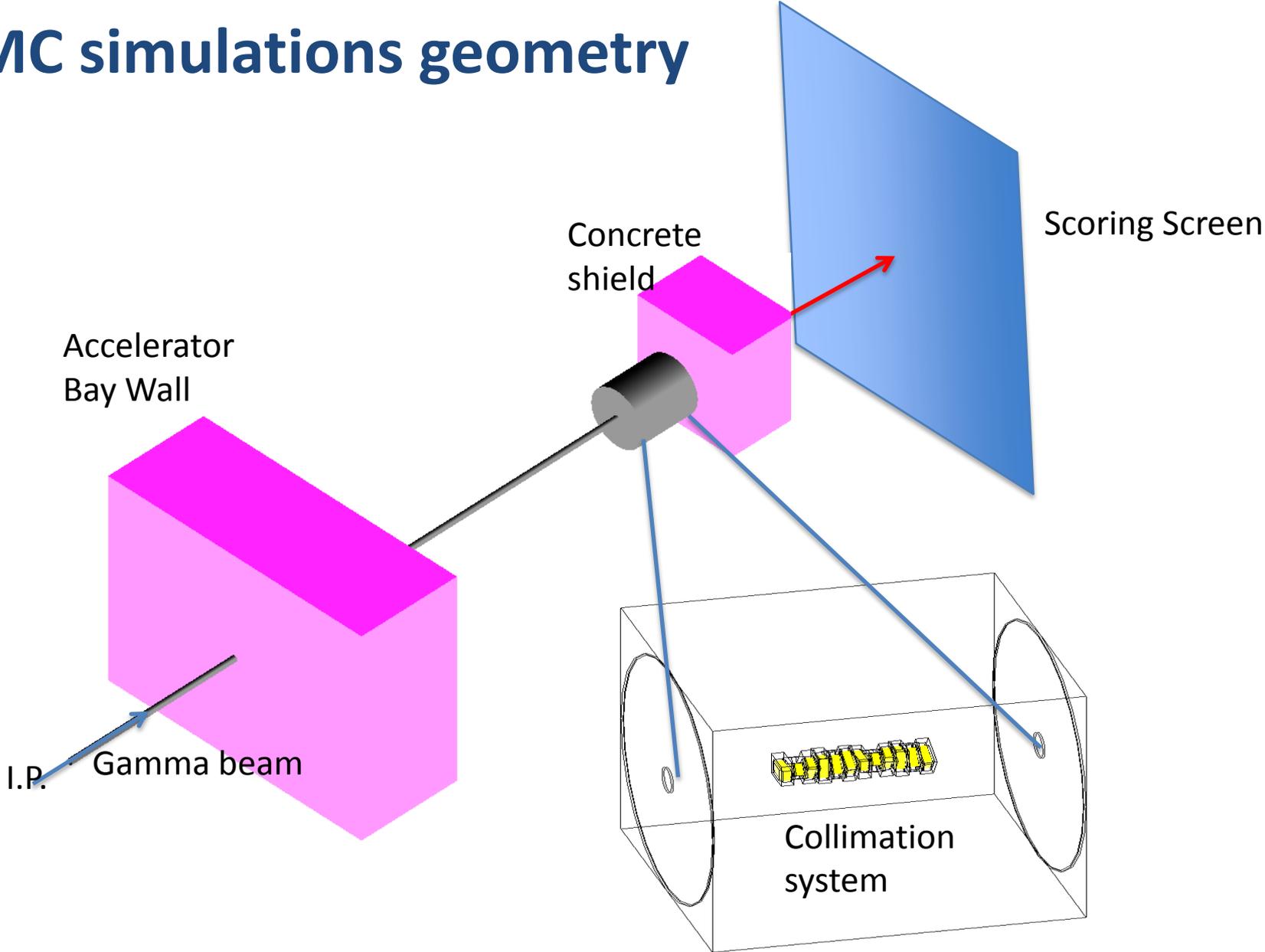
(angles with respect to the center of the structure)

MC simulations of collimation system

- In order to define the specifications and to design the collimation system for the low-energy beamline (1-5 MeV), a detailed MC simulation activity has been carried out using **MCNPX and Geant4**.
- The simulation consists in transporting a realistic gamma beam produced in the IP through the vacuum pipes and chambers, the collimation system and the concrete shielding.
- The gamma beam used as input was obtained performing a simulation of the interaction transported electron beam with the laser pulse using CAIN (Petrillo, Drebot, Curatolo)
- Performed simulations of beam with energies of **2.5 and 5.0 MeV**

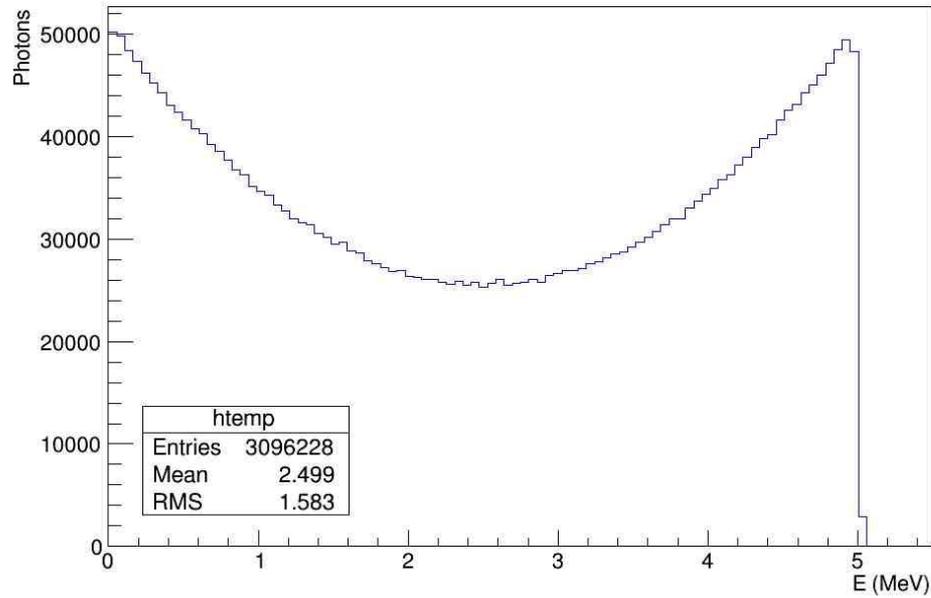


MC simulations geometry

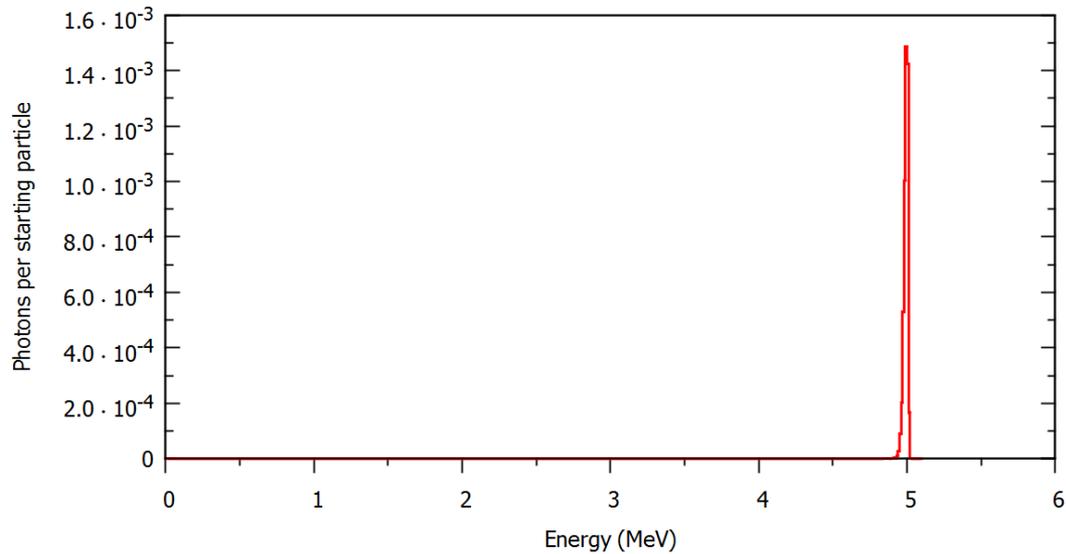


5 MeV collimation results (MCNPX)

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CAIN output

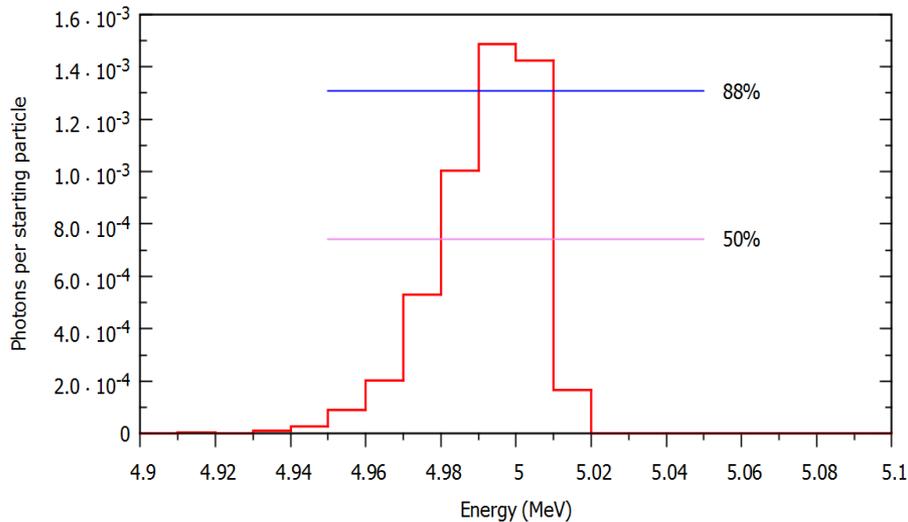


After collimation

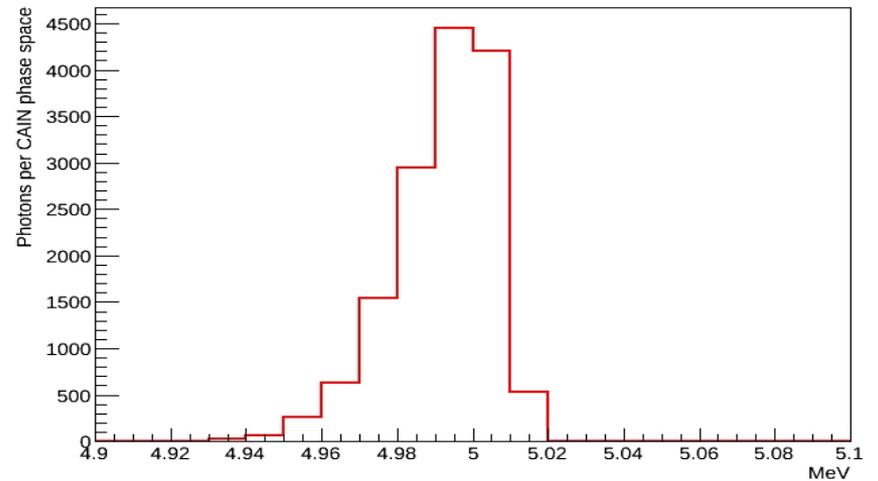
5 MeV collimation results (MCNPX and Geant4)

- Collimation aperture corresponding to 80 μ rad semiaperture
- $\Delta E/E$ obtained = 0.44%
- Results from MCNPX and Geant4 completely compatible

Photon scoring at 1 m from output wall, $\varnothing = 6$ cm
1.6 mm gap between W edges



MCNPX

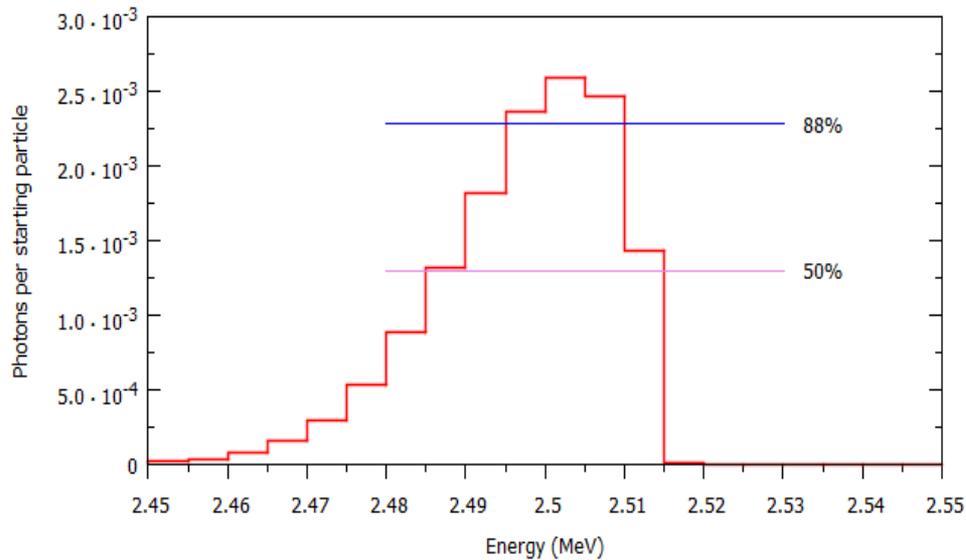


Geant4

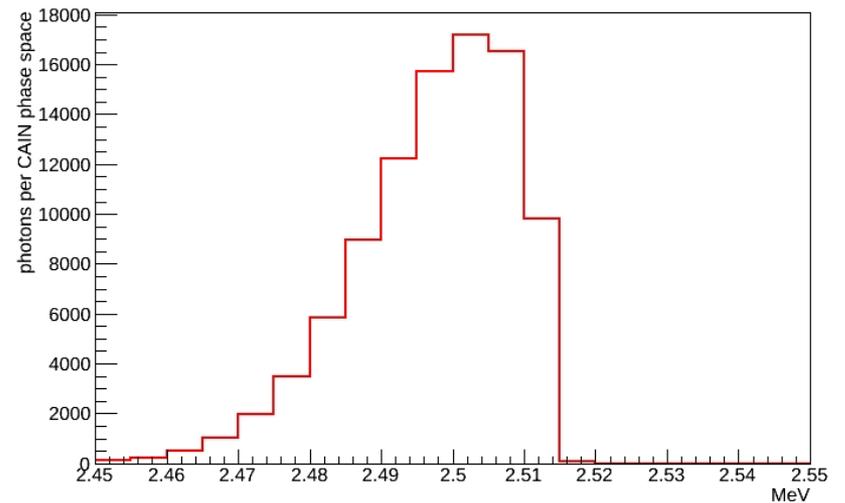
2.5 MeV collimation results (MCNPX and Geant4)

- Collimation aperture corresponding to 200 μ rad semiaperture
- $\Delta E/E$ obtained = 0.3%
- Results from MCNPX and Geant4 completely compatible

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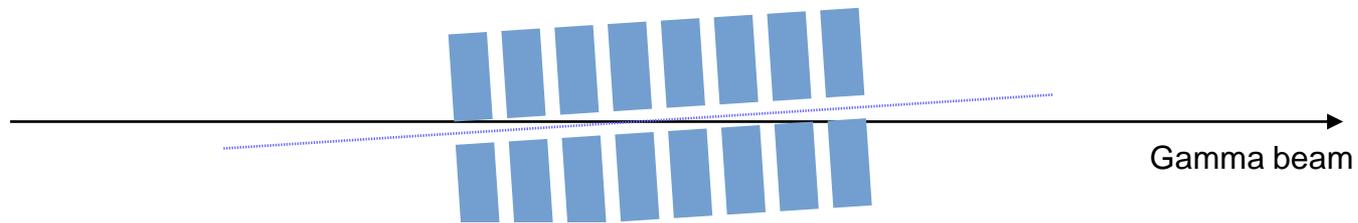
MCNPX



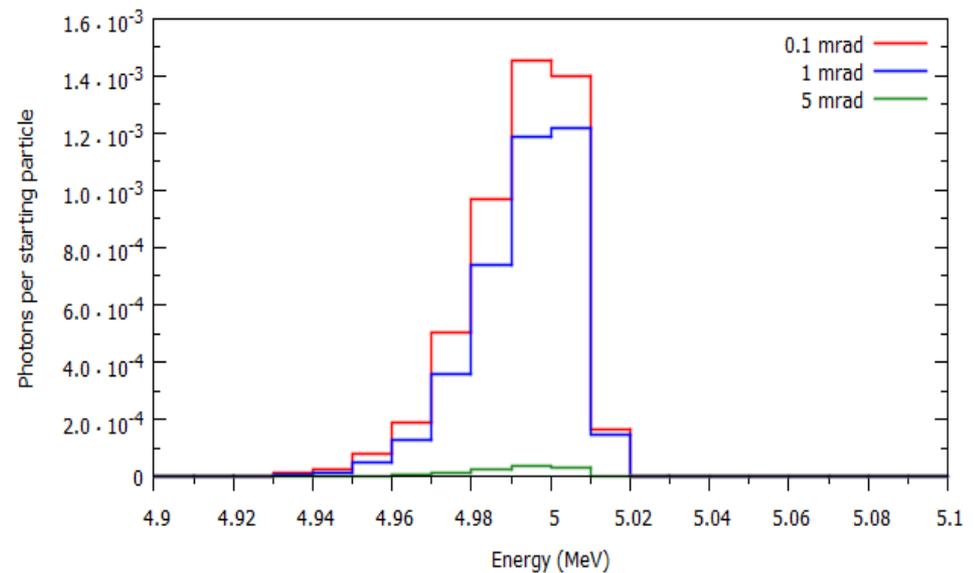
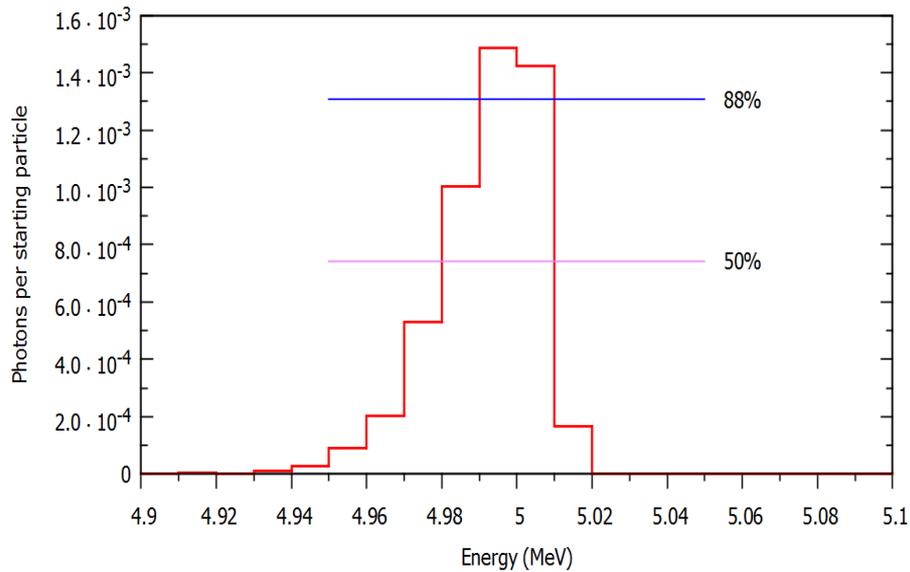
Geant4

Collimation system misalignment simulation

- To evaluate effects of misalignment, simulation has been performed rotating the whole slits stack on its center, with respect to the beam axis direction

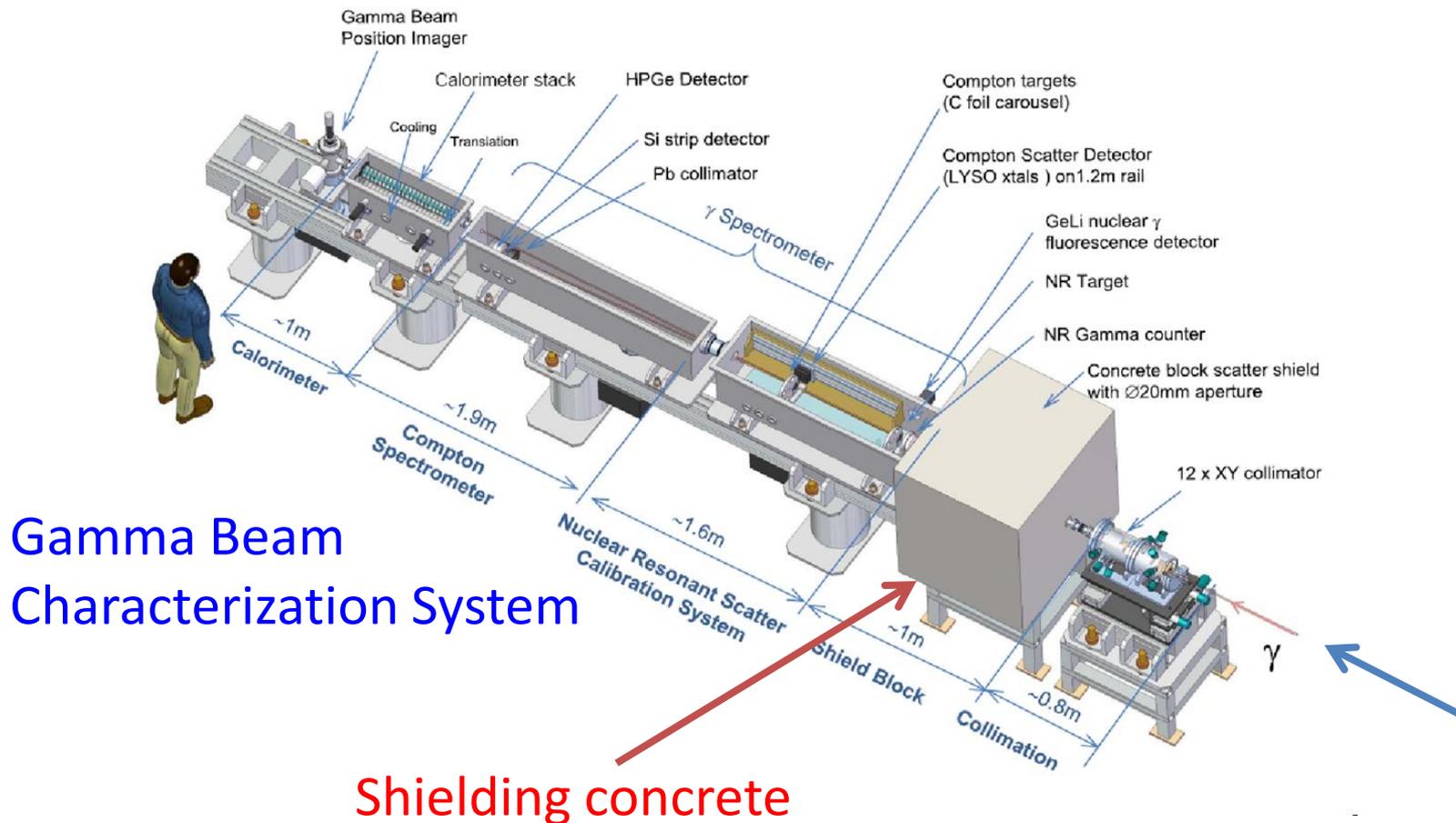


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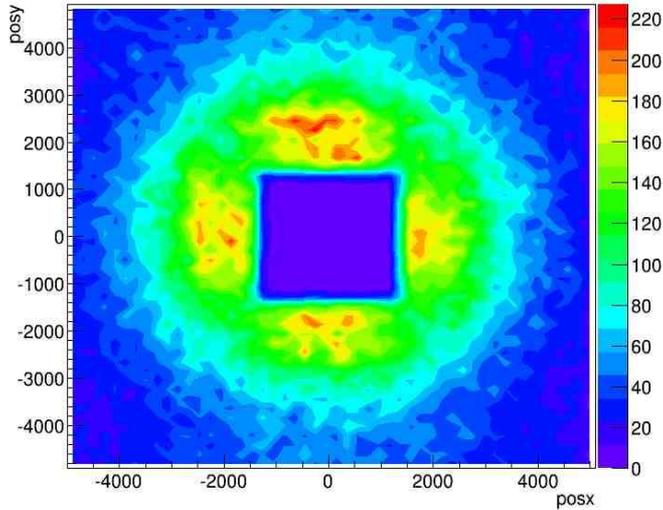
Collimation system scattering shielding

- To **avoid scattered radiation and secondary particles** to reach the experimental area and the gamma beam characterization system, a **concrete block** ($2 \times 2 \times 1 \text{ m}^3$) will be placed after the collimator



Collimation system shielding results

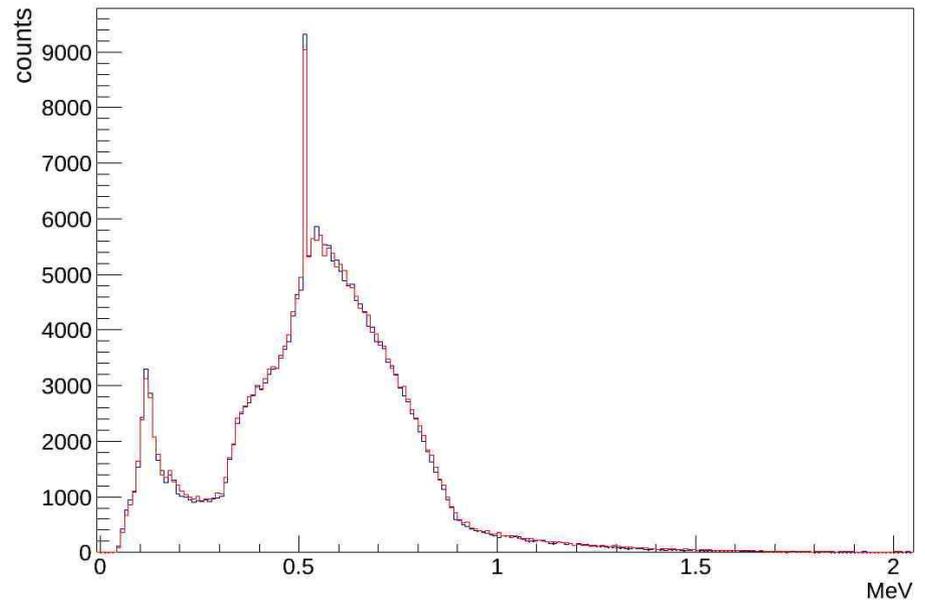
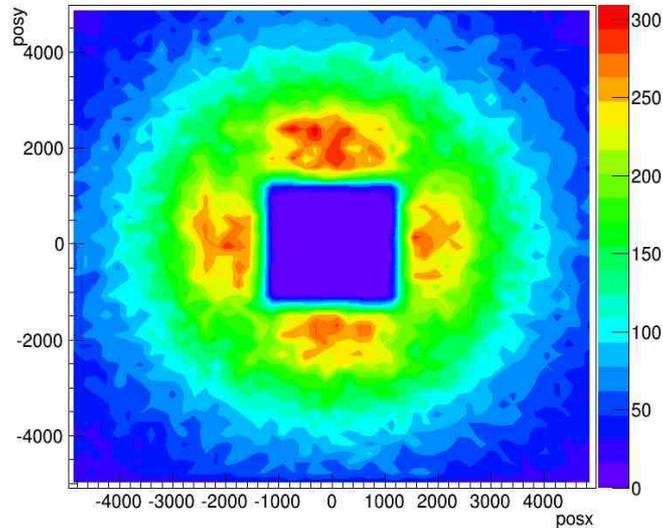
Scattered radiation for 2.5 MeV gamma beam



- Scoring screen (10 m x 10 m) at the exit from the concrete block
- On the left surface plots, photons/pulse over an area of 20x20 cm²
- Below, the energy distribution of the background radiation over the entire 10 m x 10 m scoring screen.

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Scattered radiation for 5 MeV gamma beam



Conclusions

- The results of the simulations carried out show that the collimation system allows to obtain monochromatic beams with an energy distribution compatible to the parameters required ($\Delta E/E < 0.5 \%$)
- The study of the effect of misalignment has been fundamental to define the specifications of tolerancies and stability, required to finalize the mechanical engineering and realisation of the system
- The simulation of a realistic collimated beam it is been necessary to evaluate the expected performances of the detectors composing the characterisation system downstream the beam line and to finalise the design
- Also, the results of the background radiation produced were used to evaluate the effect of the background signal on these detectors to optimise the performances in a realistic operating situation

Thank you very much
for your attention

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