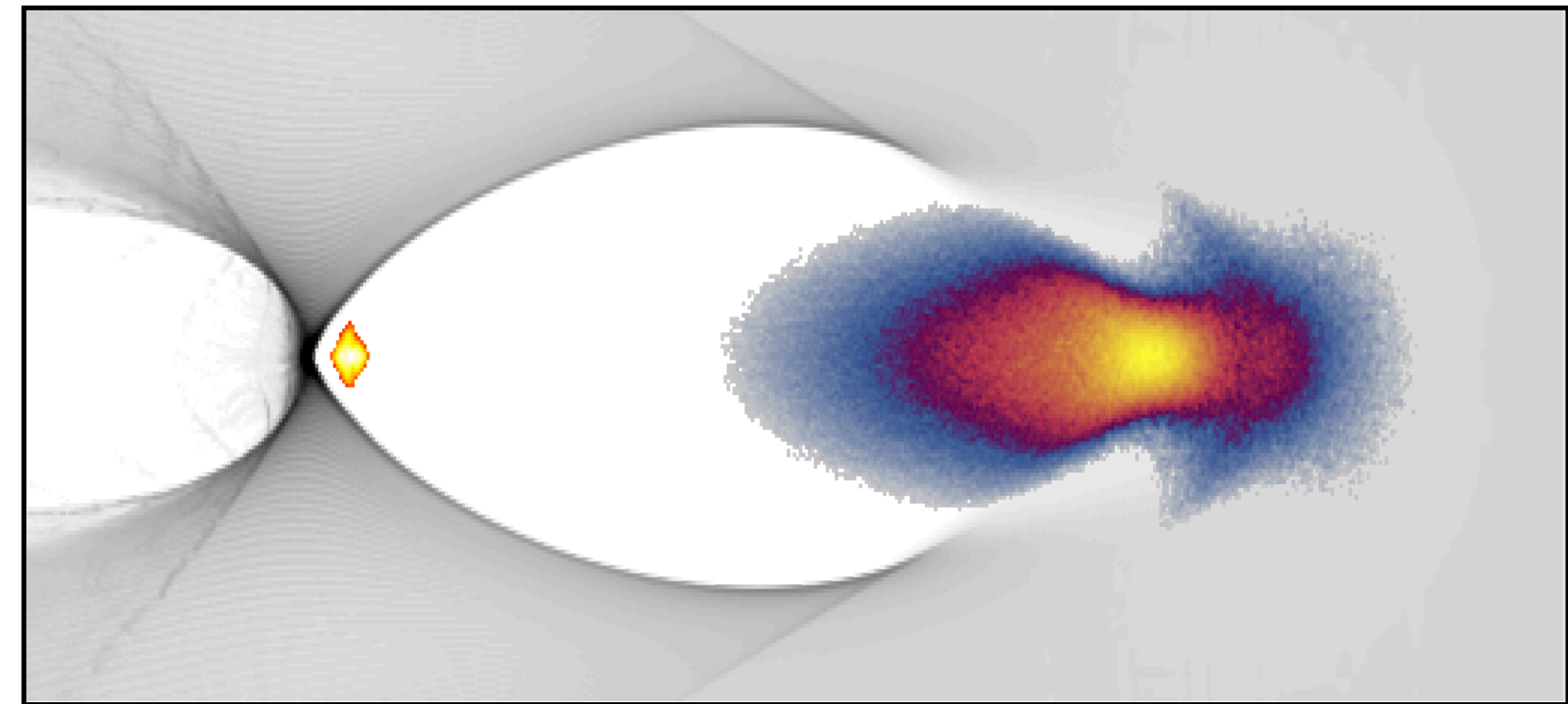
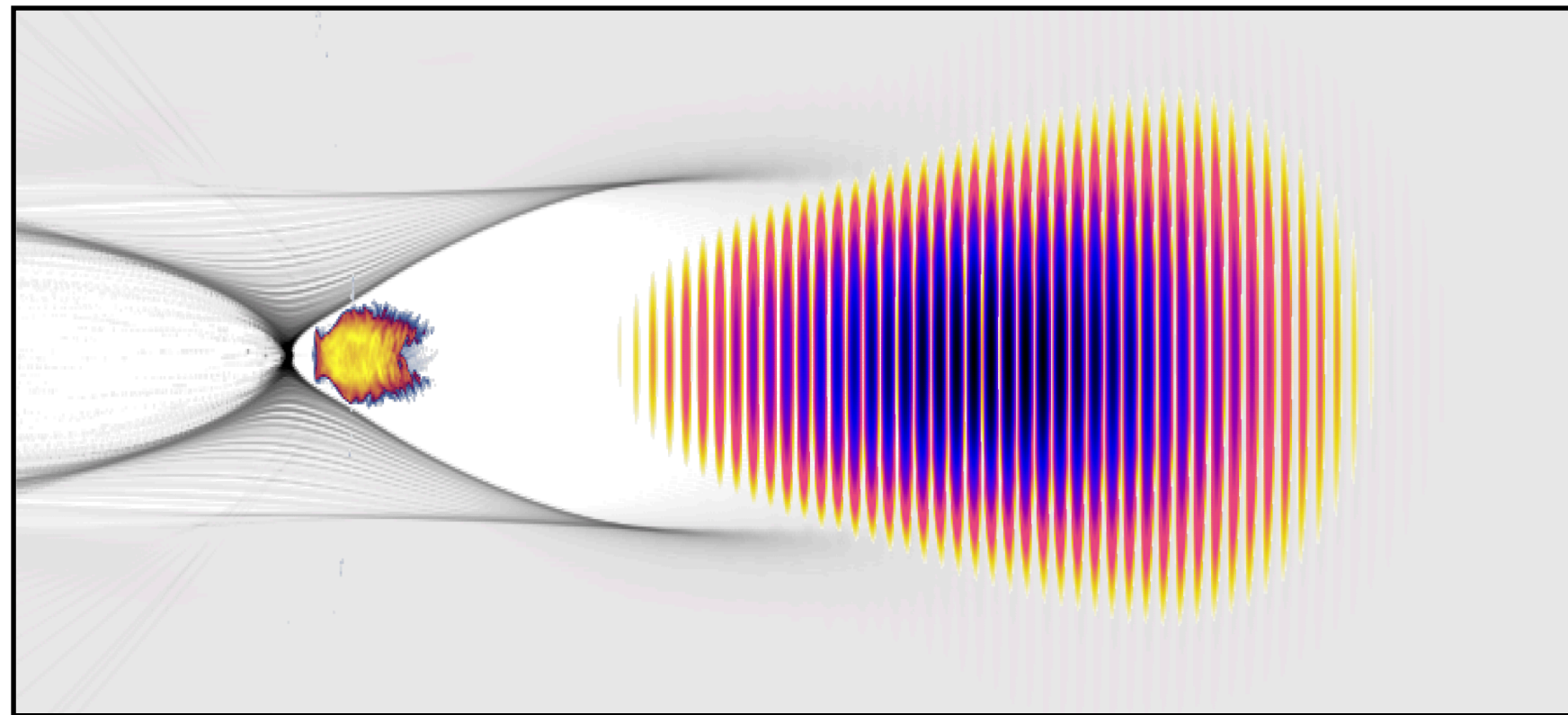


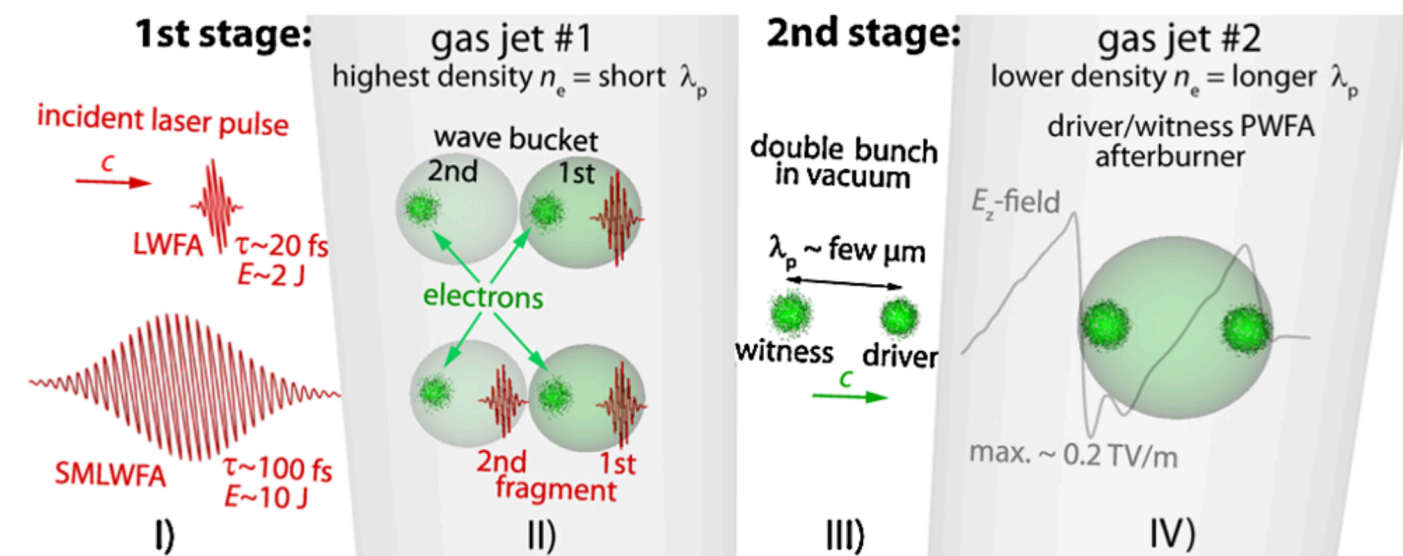
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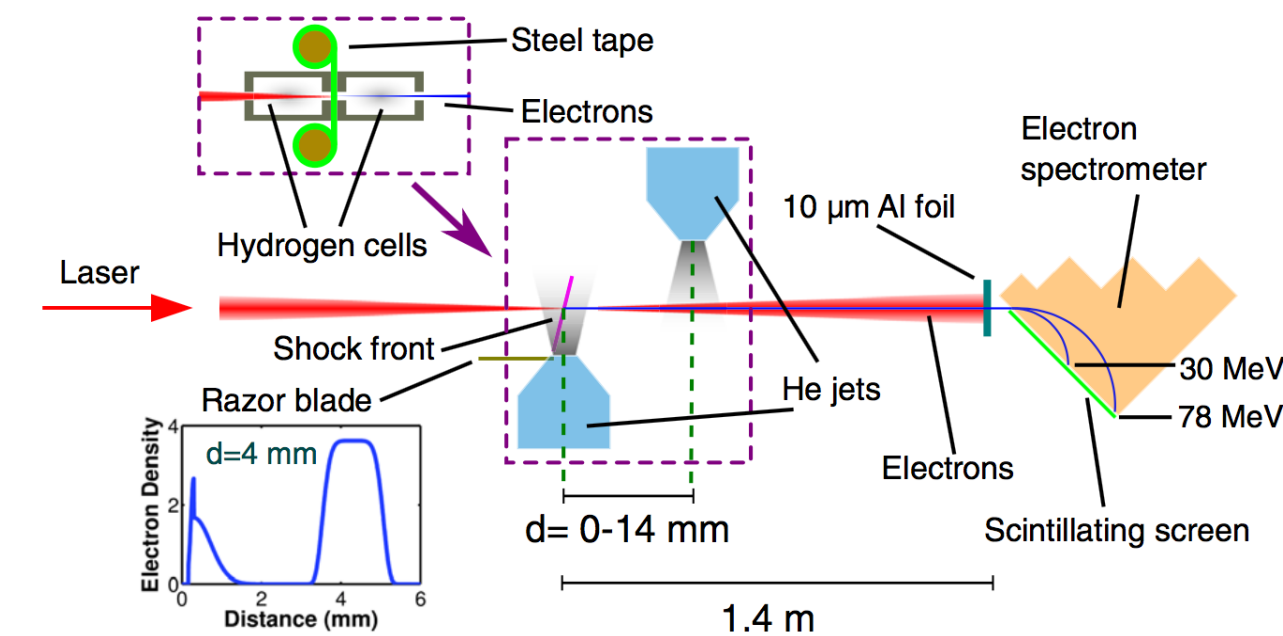
Towards Laser-driven PWFAs: *Hybrid plasma accelerators*

Theory: Energy booster



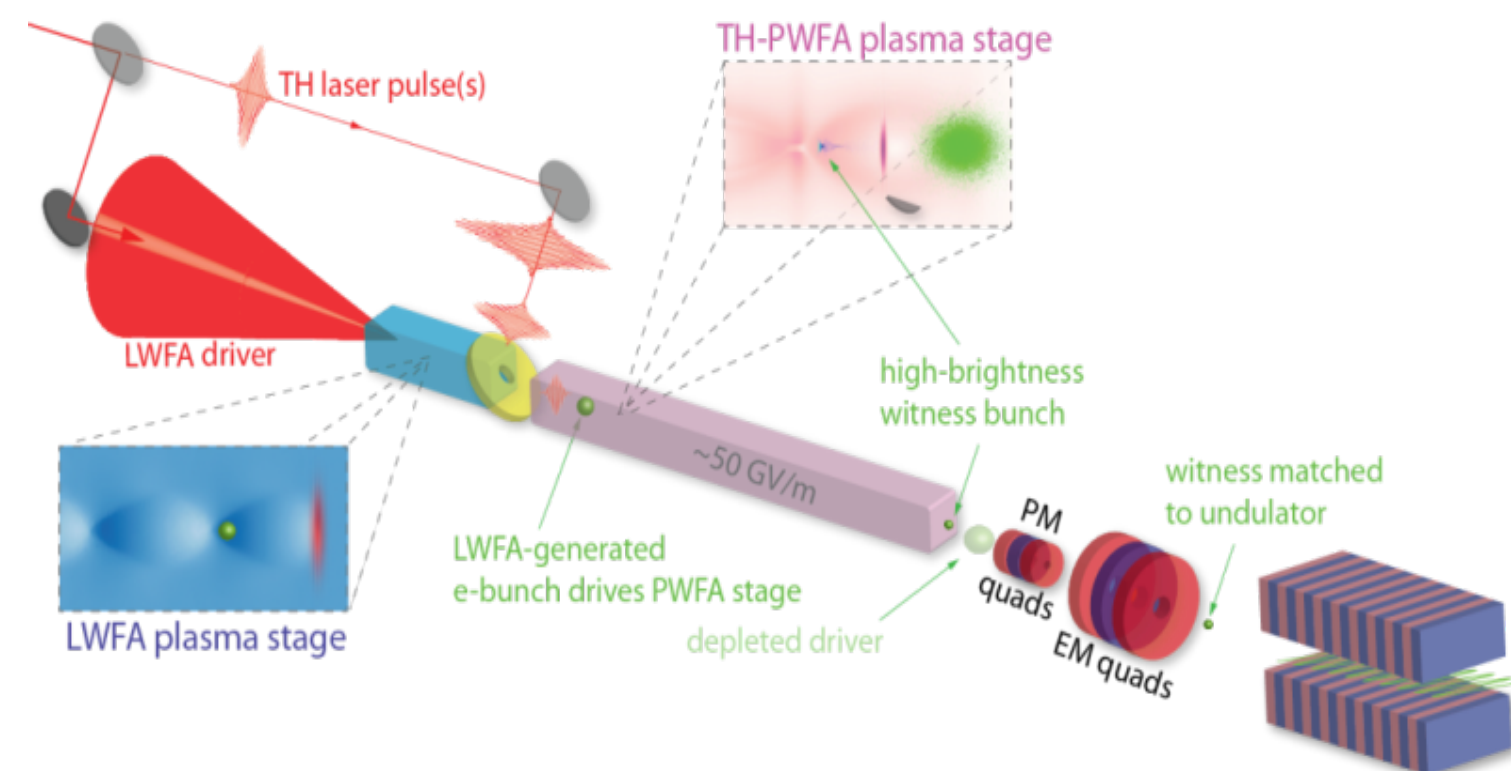
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Experimental wakefields demonstration

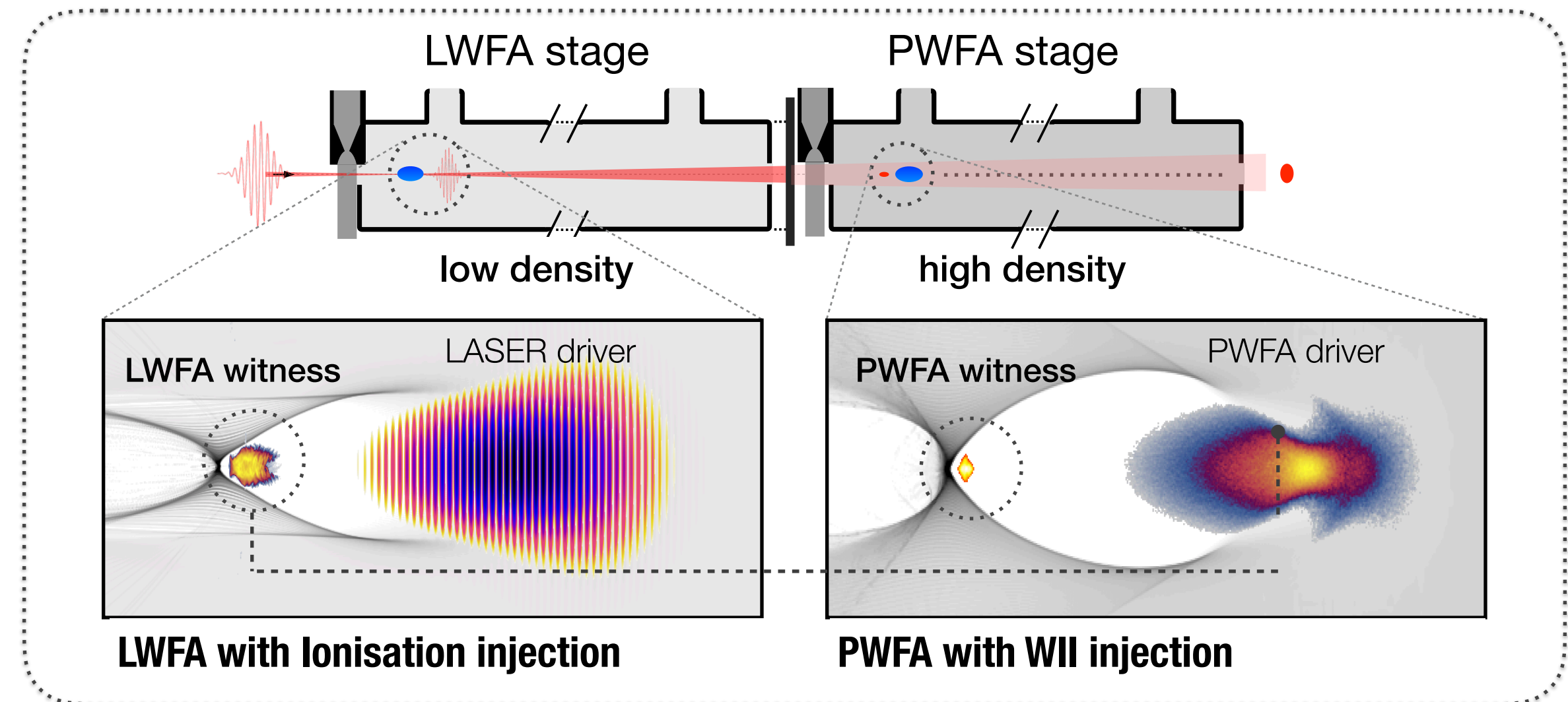


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Theory: Energy and quality boosters

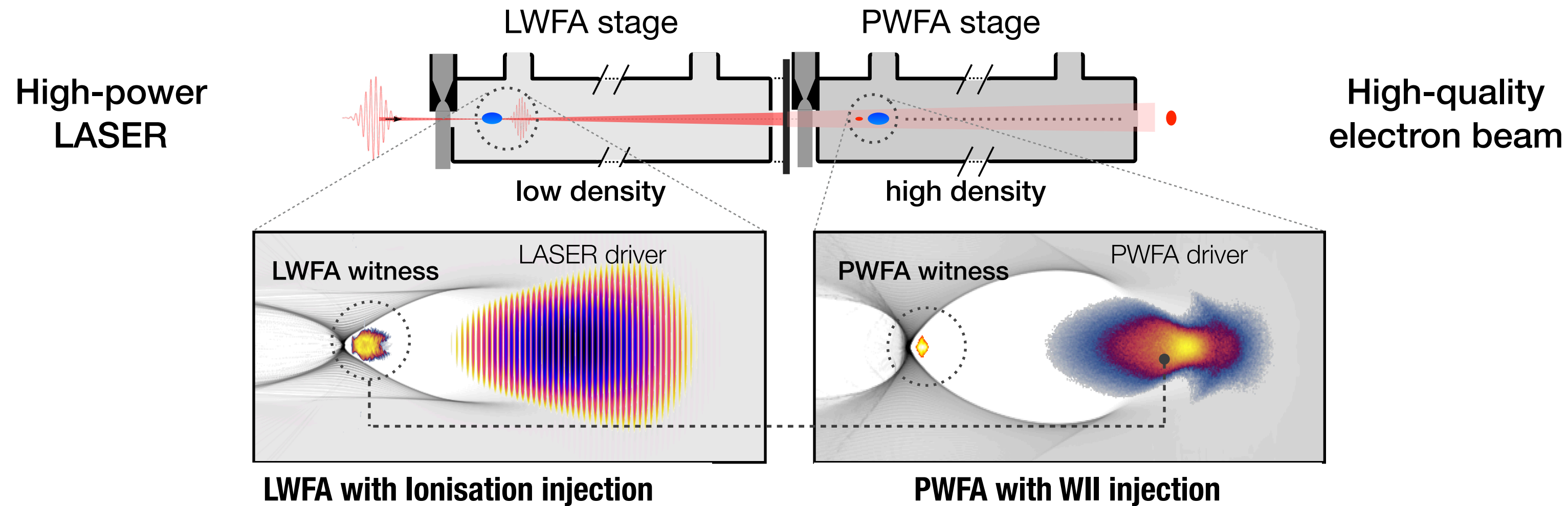


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A laser-to-beam-driven plasma wakefield accelerator: **LPWFA**



Why adding PWFA stage?

- **Energy boost:** High transformer ratio in blowout regime.
- **Quality boost:** Novel injection techniques* in PWFA for the generation of low emittance beams.
- **Low energy spread:** Energy chirp balance by means of beam-loading requires high-current witness.

**High-brightness
GeV class
electron beams**
for applications demanding
high-quality (e.g. FELs).

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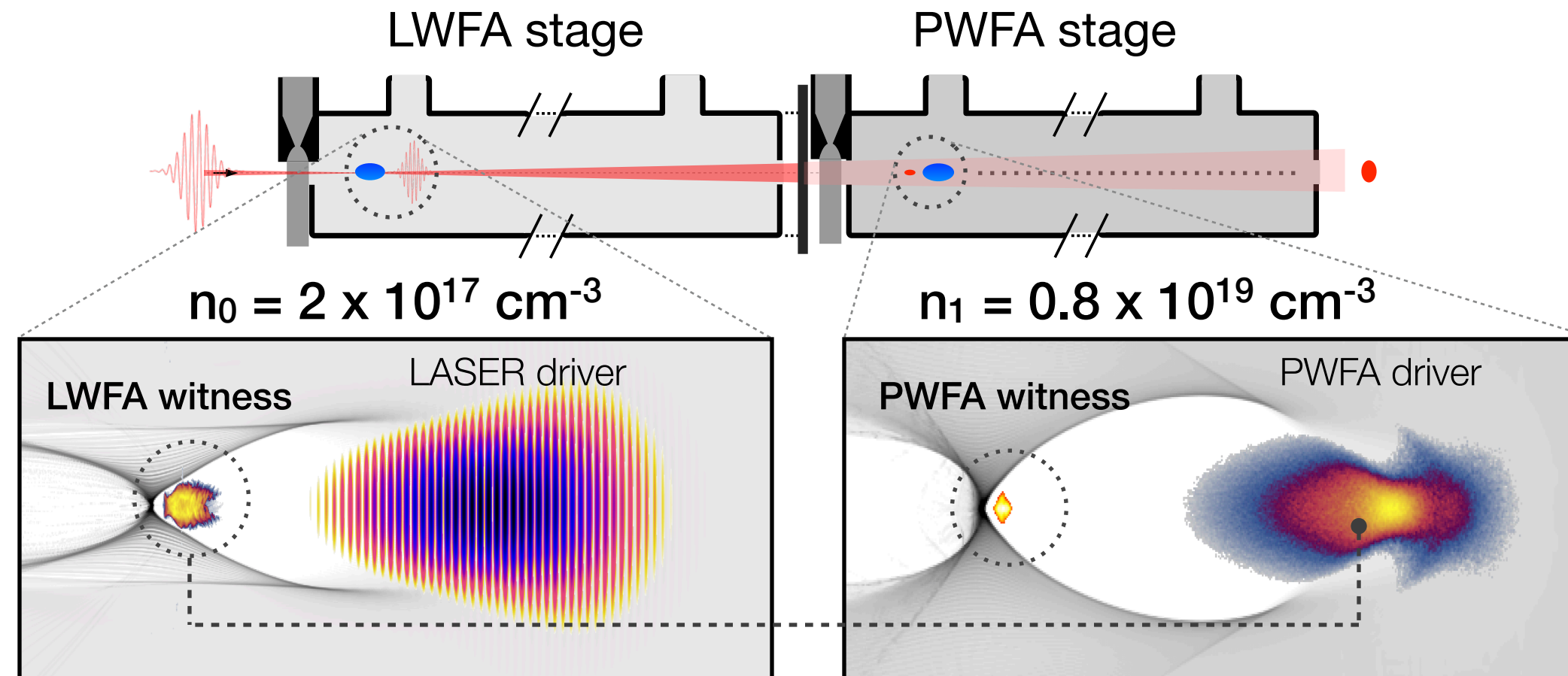
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A laser-to-beam-driven plasma wakefield accelerator: **EuPRAXIA** example

Laser beam

$P_0 = 500 \text{ TW}$
 $\lambda_0 = 800 \text{ nm}$
 $w_0 = 41 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$
 $a_0 = 3$
 $\tau = 100 \text{ fs}$
 $\text{Energy} = 53 \text{ J}$



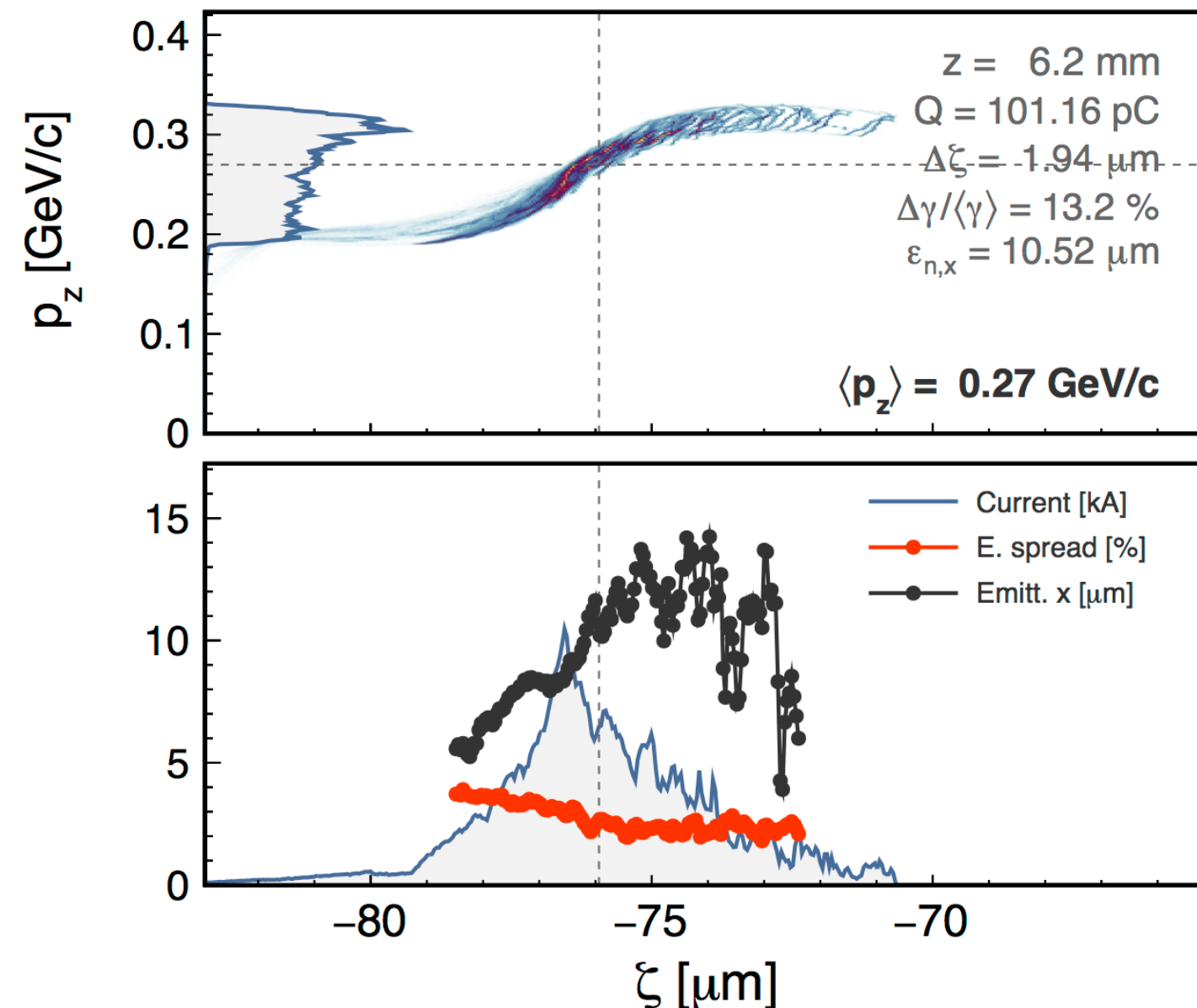
Electron beam

$I_0 = 15 \text{ kA}$
 $\epsilon_n = 130 \text{ nm}$
 $\tau = 700 \text{ as}$
 $Y_{mc^2} = 10 \text{ GeV}$
 $\Delta Y/Y = 0.1 \%$
 $\text{Charge} = 10 \text{ pC}$

LWFA with Ionisation injection

PWFA with WII injection

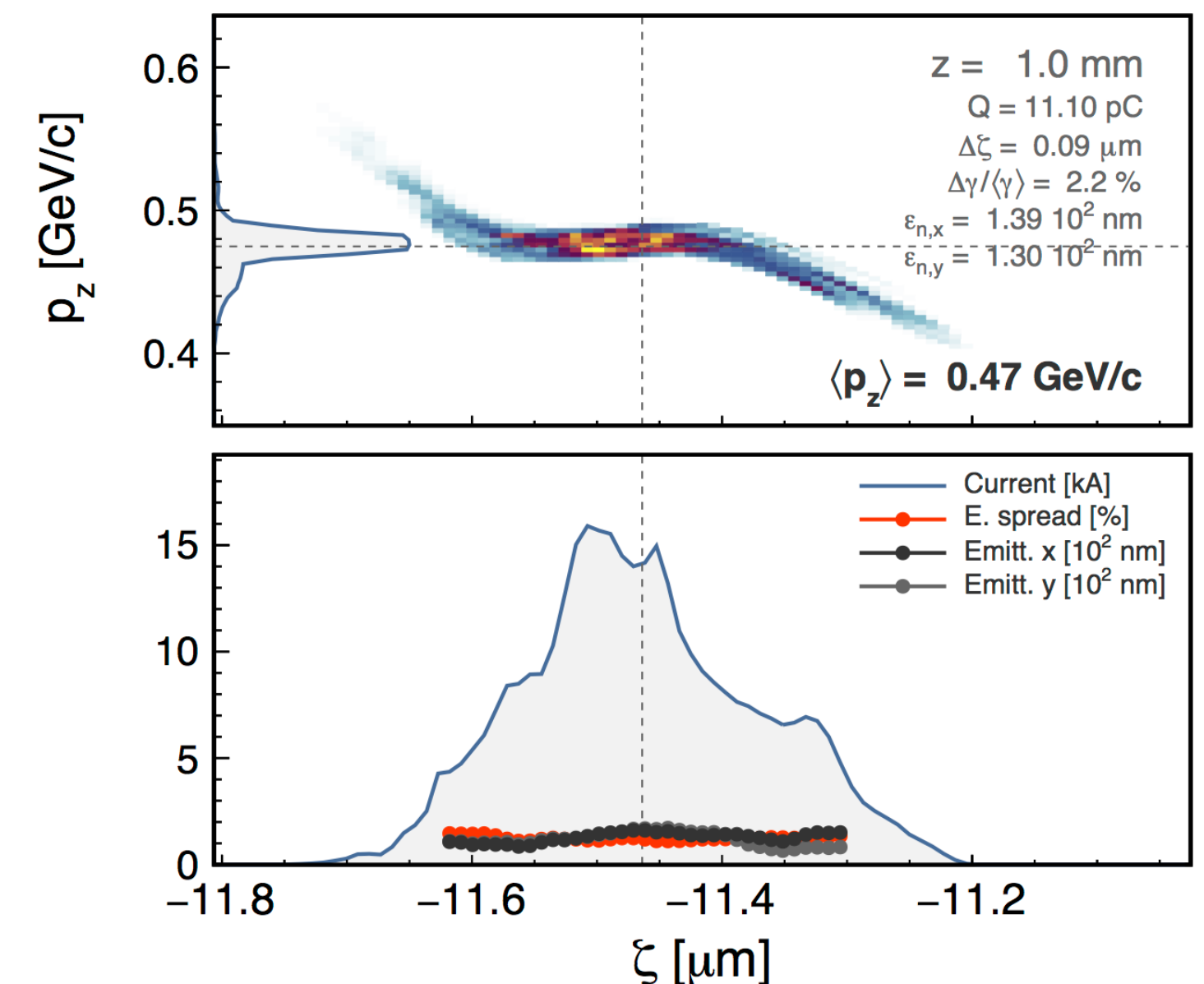
LWFA witness beam



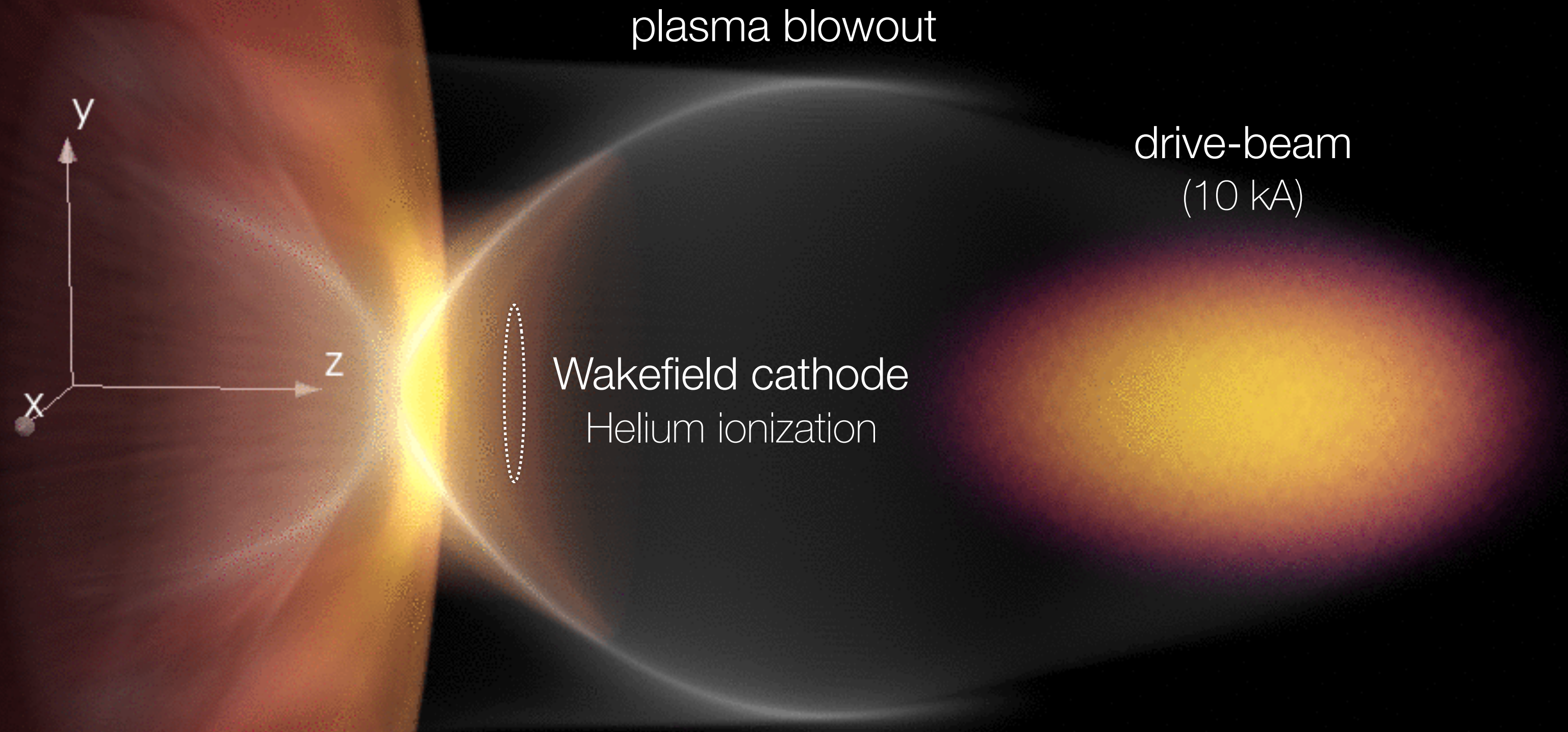
Energy doubling $\Delta\gamma_w = R\gamma_d$

Brightness booster $B \propto \frac{I_b}{\epsilon_n^2}$
x 10000

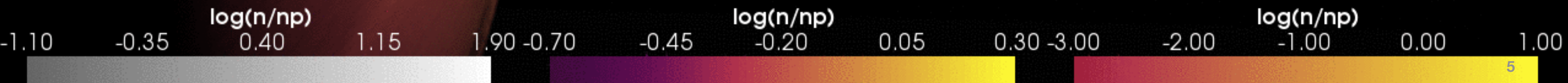
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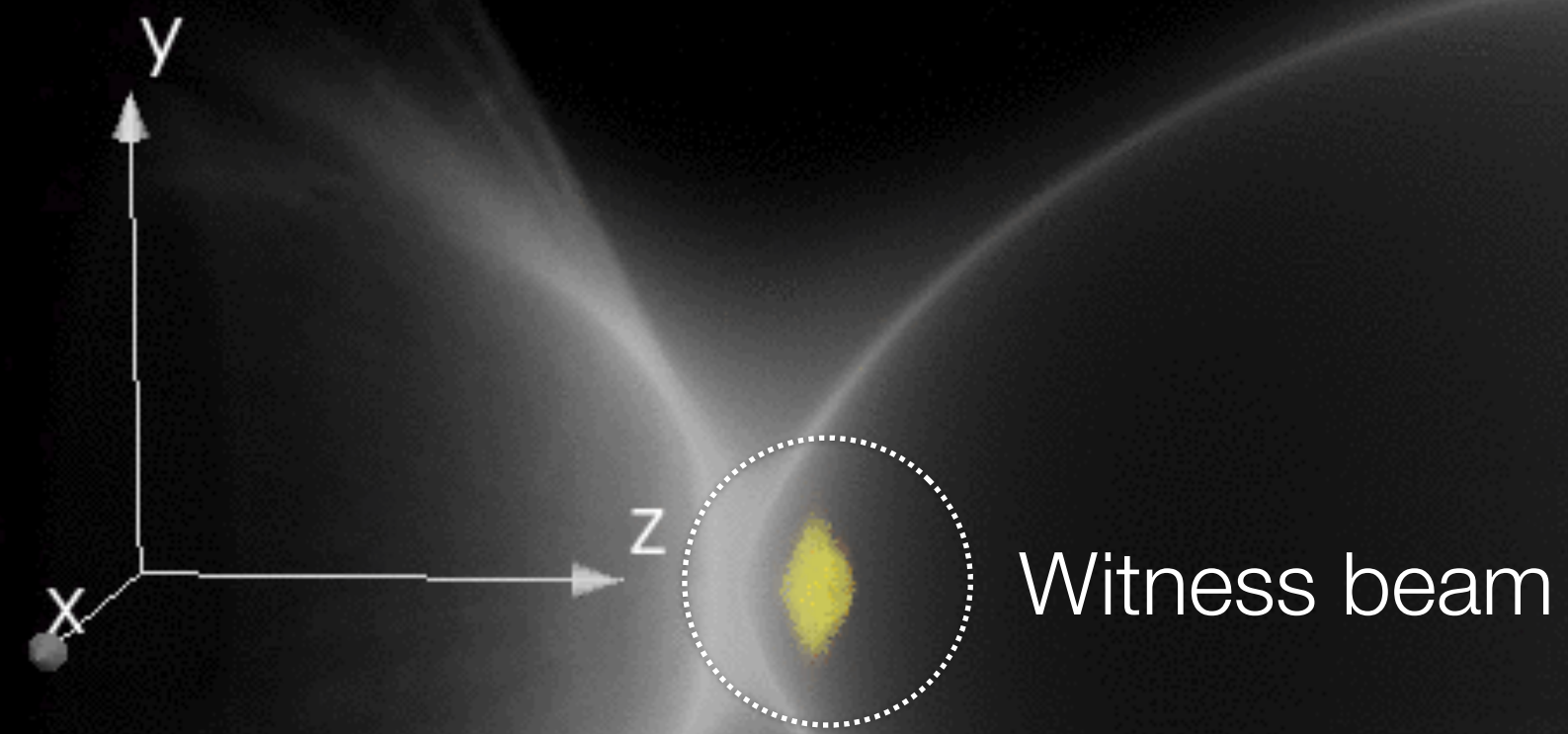
PWFA stage with WII injection (OSIRIS 3D)



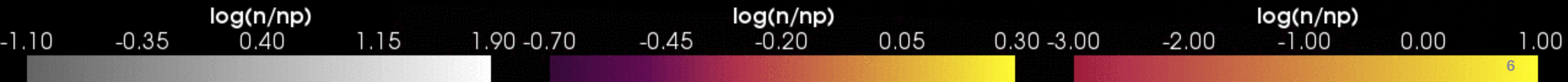
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PWFA with WII injection: **Self-Similar Staging**

PWFA with WII injection

Requirements:

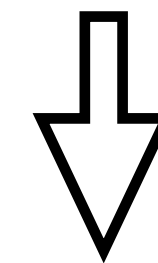
- **High-current drivers (GeV class):**
Needs a strong blowout regime for trapping.
- **Appropriate dopant species:**
Ionisation is triggered by the wakefields only.

Features:

- **Short and high-quality witness:**
Low-emittance witness $\rightarrow \epsilon_n \approx 0.1/k_p$
- **High-energy witness:**
Energy-per-electron can double/triple the driver
High transformer ratio: $\Delta E_{\text{wit}} = R E_{\text{dri}}$
- **High-current and low energy spread witness:**
High-current witness is needed for beam-loading at high transformer ratio.

Self-Similar Staging

Witness beams from WII injection
can drive WII injection
in a higher density plasma



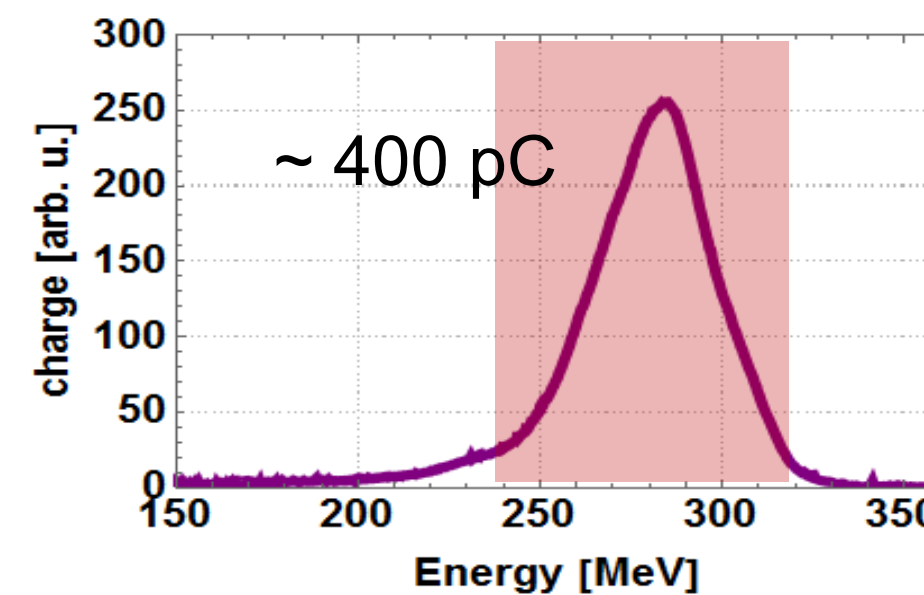
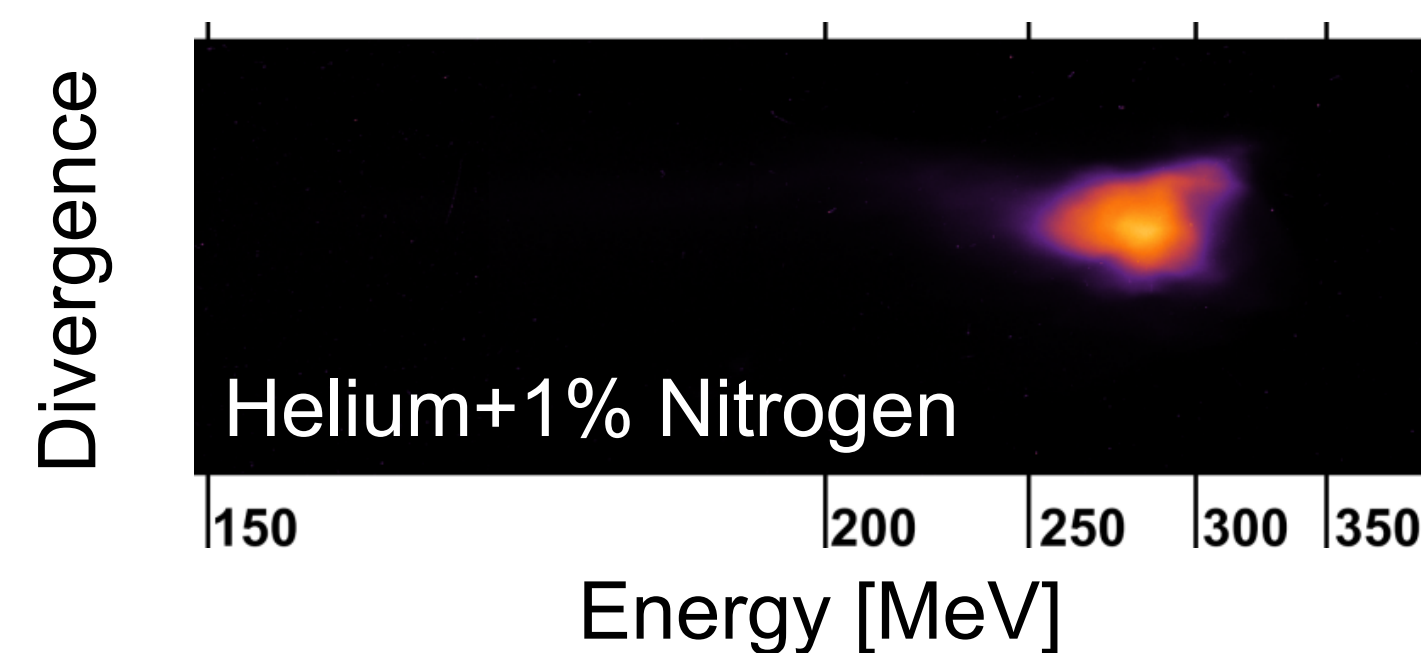
Energy doubling and
order of magnitude reduction of
length and emittance in each stage.

**Can LWFA beams drive
PWFA with WII injection?**

A. Martinez de la Ossa *et al.*, Phys. Plasmas 22, 093107 (2015)

Towards Laser-driven PWFA: *Proof-of-concept* experiment at HZDR

LWFA with ionization injection



Laser: 2.8 J, 28 fs, 20 μm (on target)

Peak energy: ~ 283 MeV

Energy spread: ~ 40 MeV (14%)

More stable: charge, pointing, energy

Estimated peak current: ~ 30 kA

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Demonstration of a beam loaded nanocoulomb-class laser wakefield accelerator

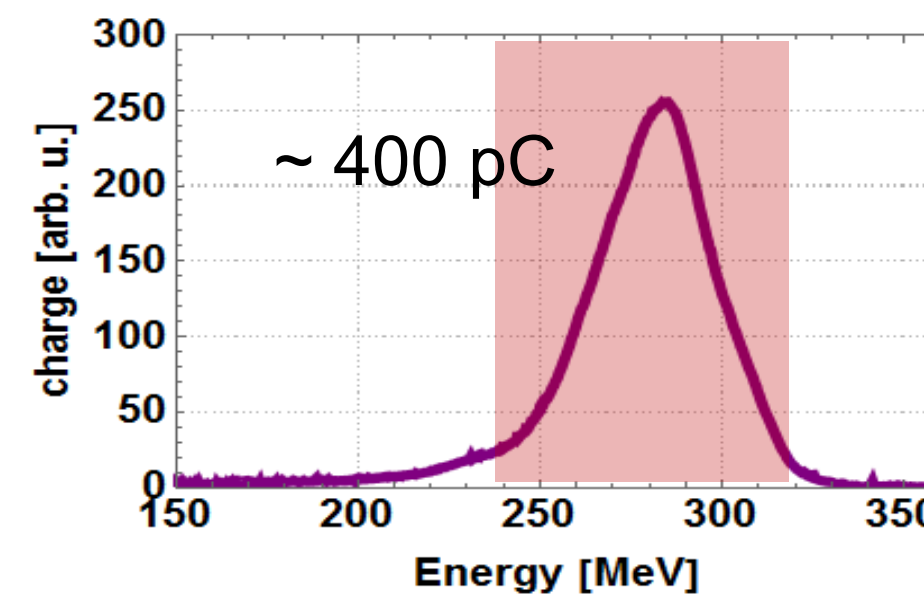
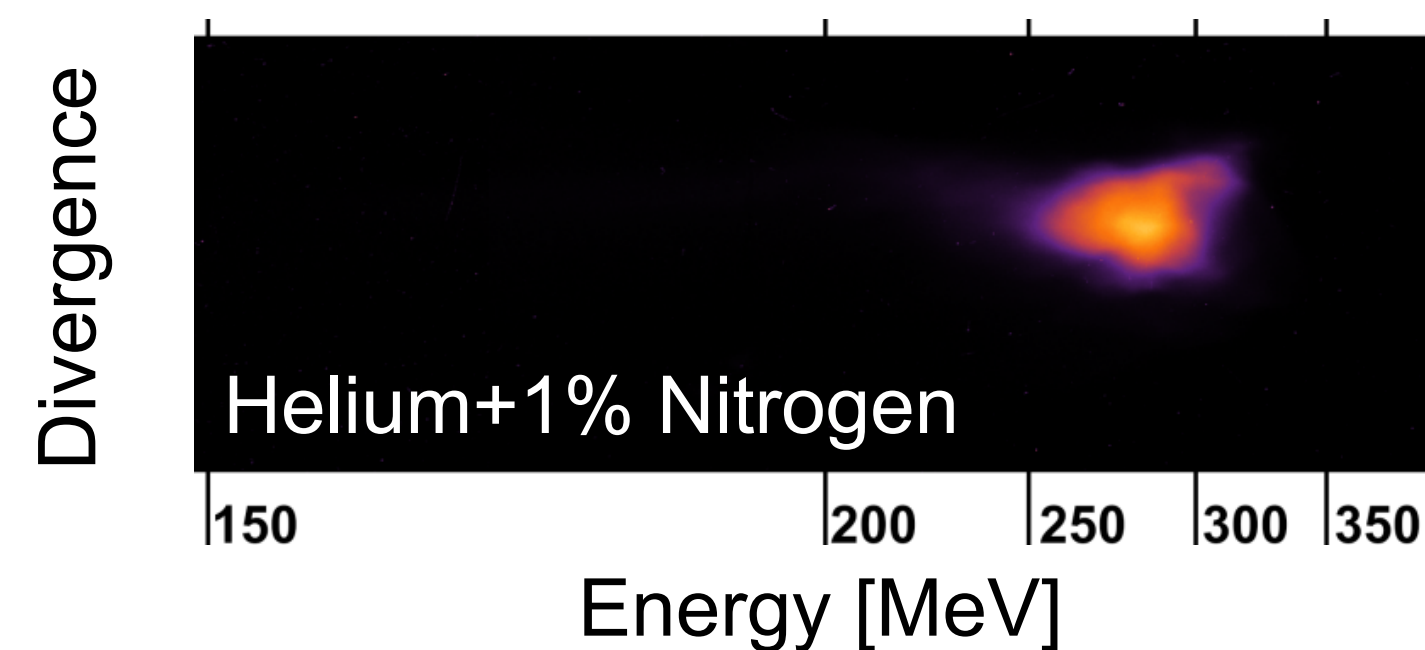
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“Ionization injection enables loading of ~0.5 nC within a mono-energetic peak”

> 30 kA peak current electron beams with low energy spread

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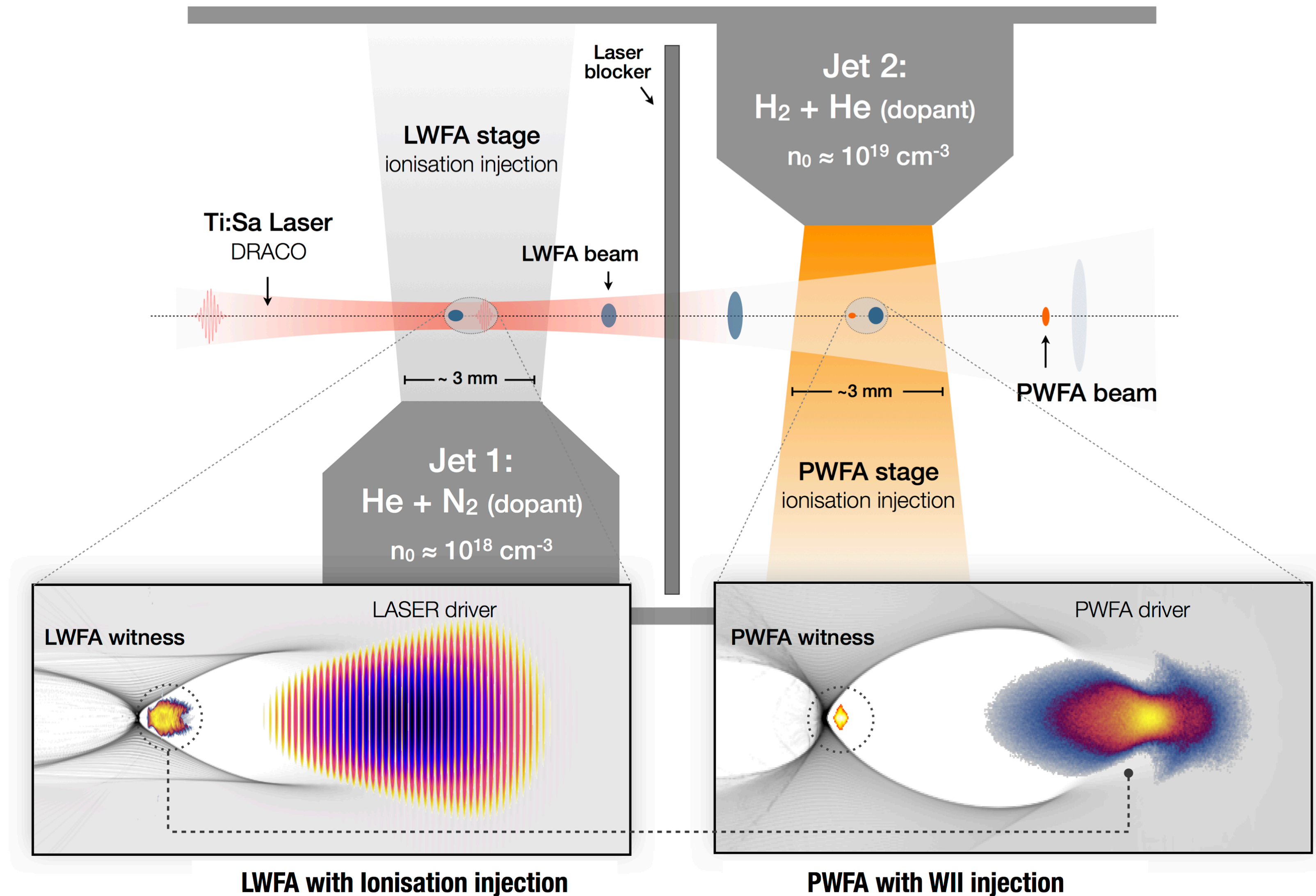
Proof of concept experiment at Dresden

- Demonstration of injection and acceleration in a PWFA stage driven by a LWFA beam.

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LWFA beams from ionization injection: A 3D simulation for HZDR

DRACO laser

$$P_0 = 98 \text{ TW}$$

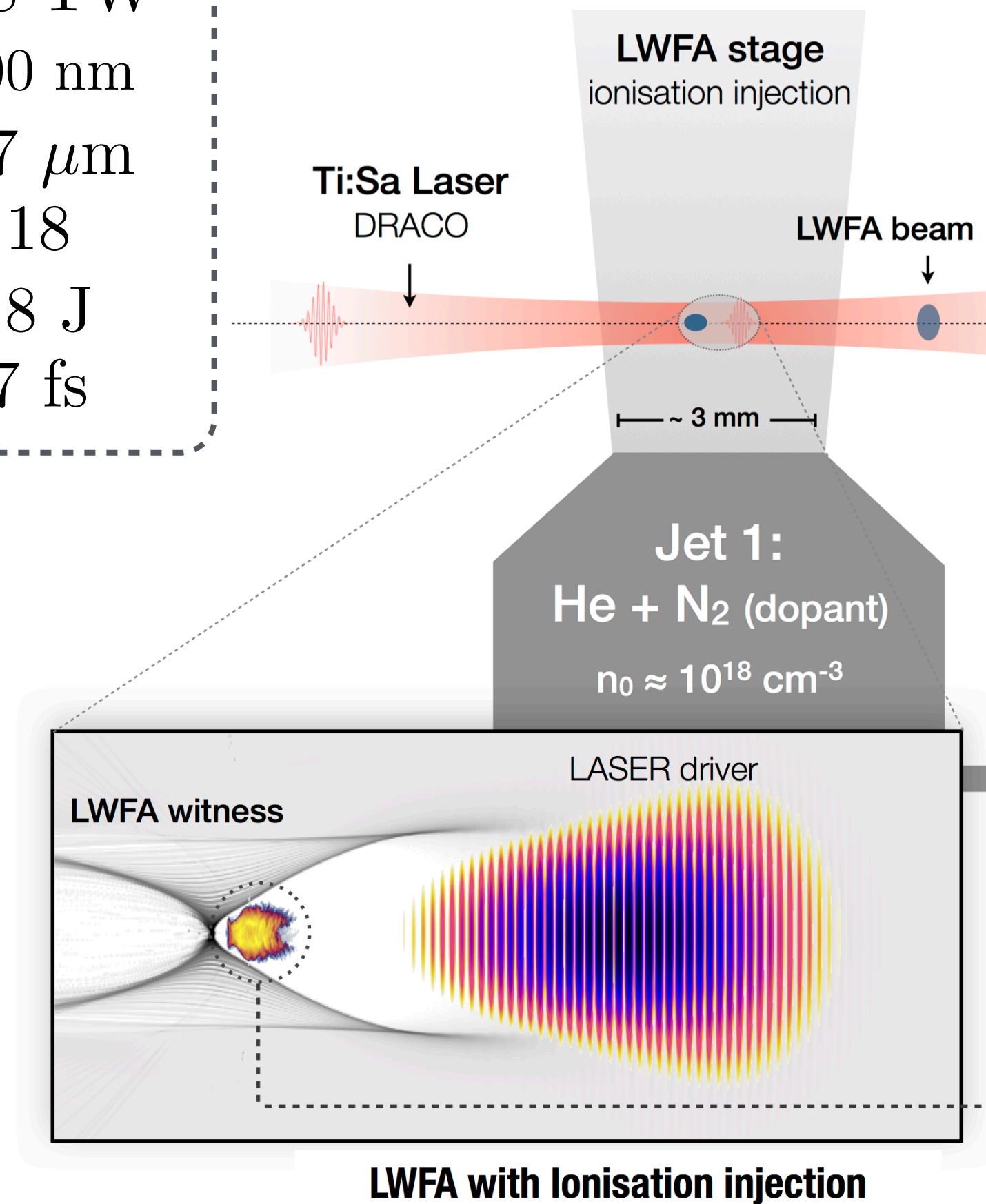
$$\lambda_0 = 800 \text{ nm}$$

$$w_0 = 17 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

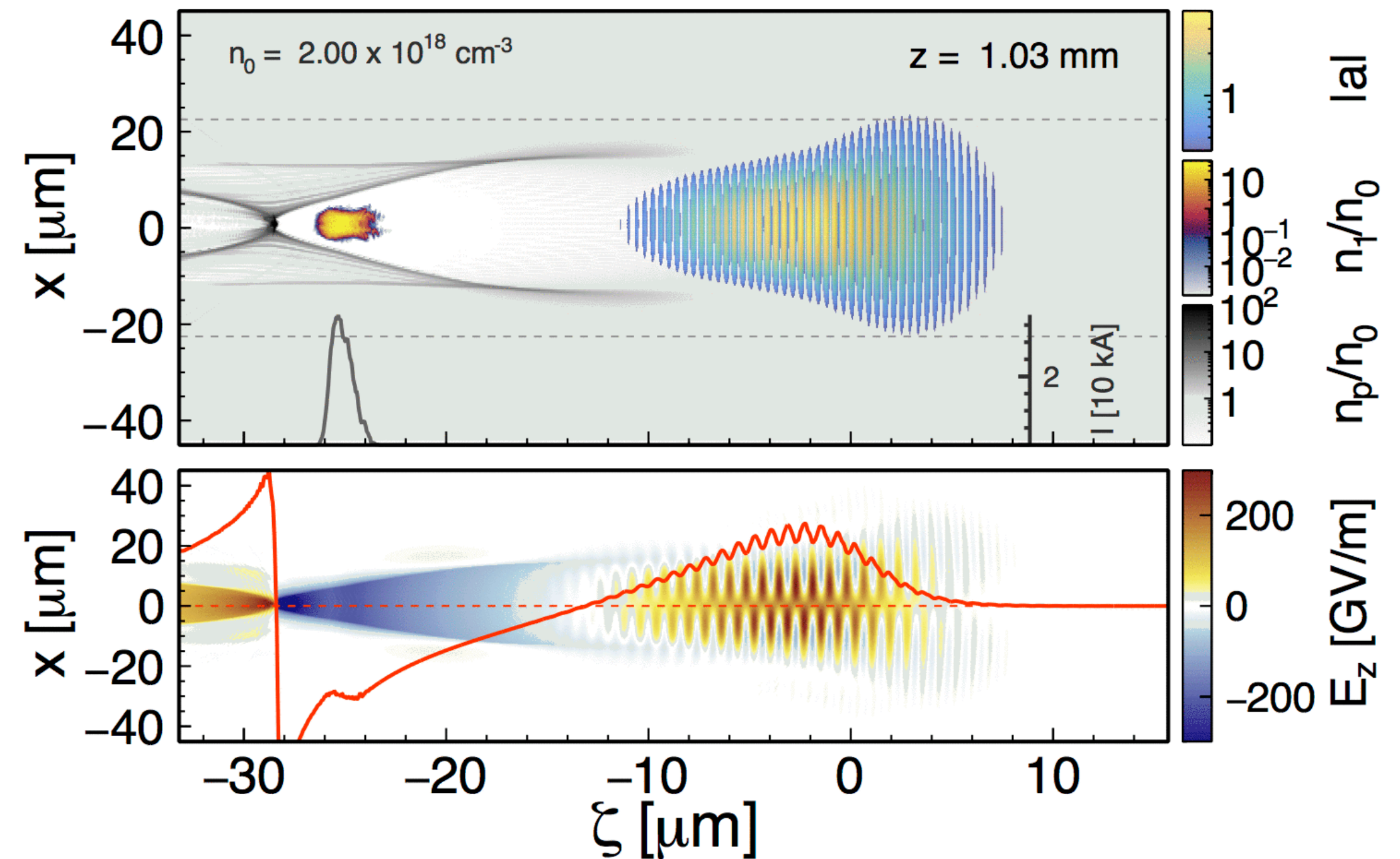
$$a_0 = 3.18$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 2.8 \text{ J}$$

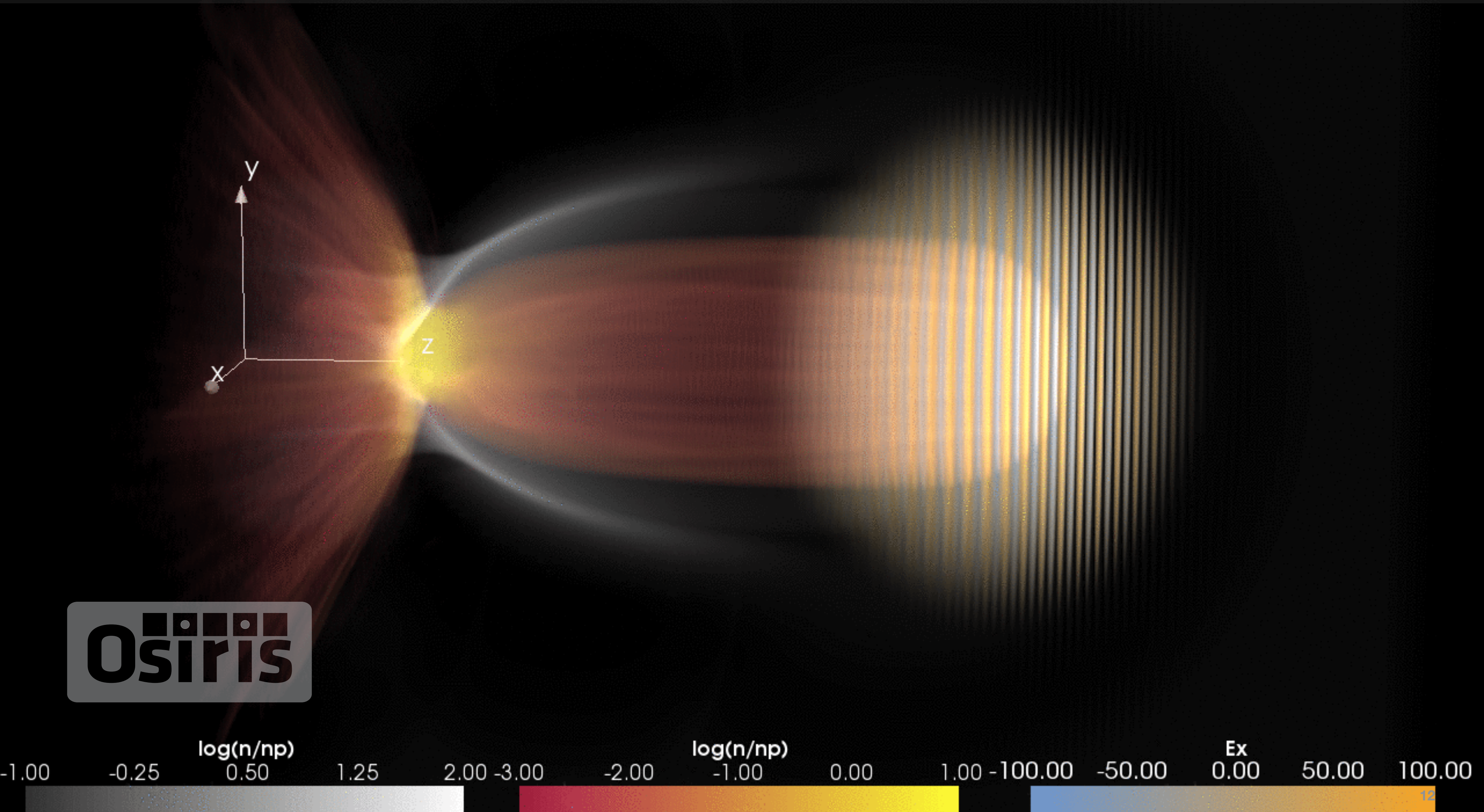
$$\tau = 27 \text{ fs}$$



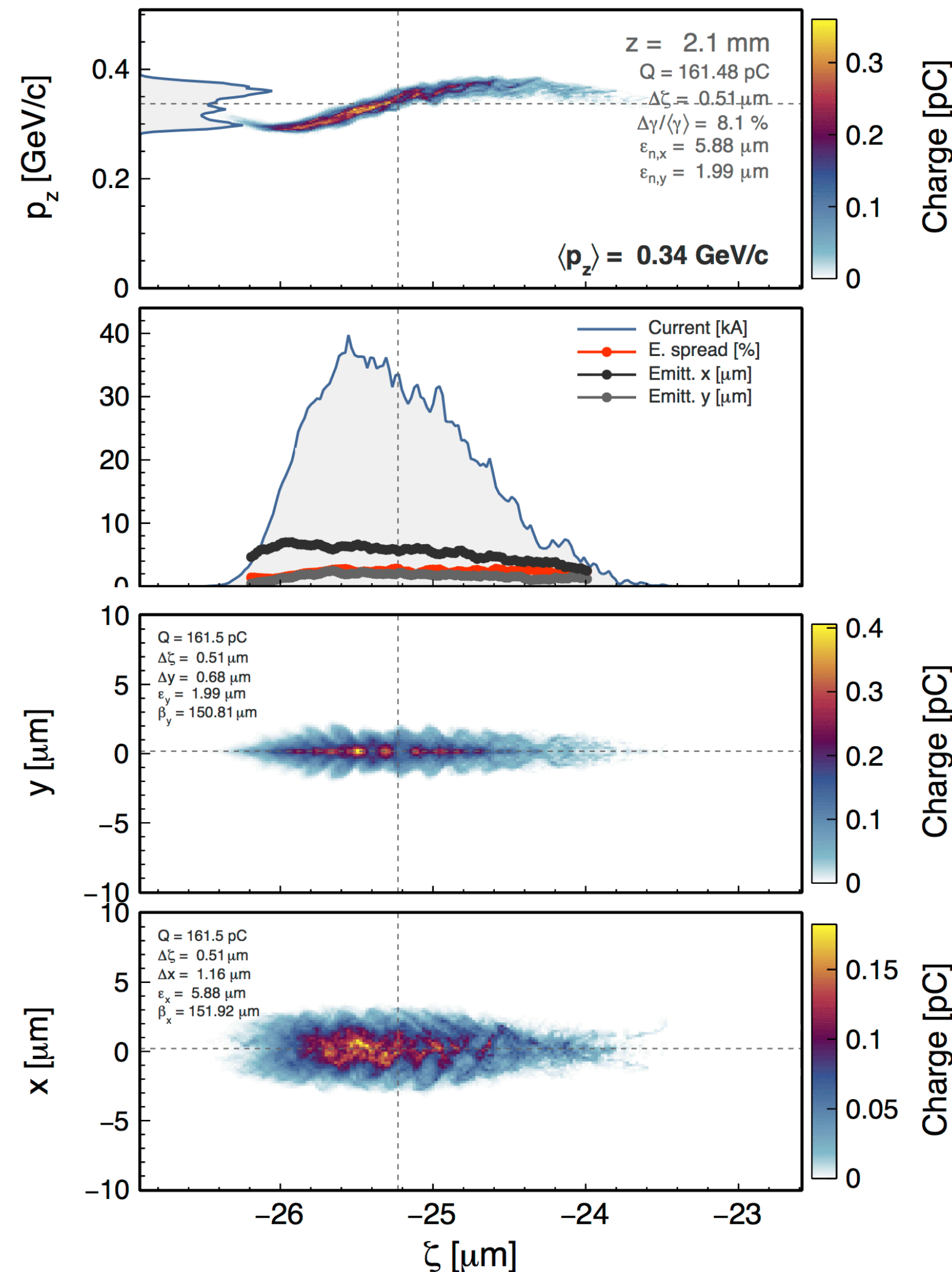
3D PIC simulation (OSIRIS)



First jet: LWFA with Ionisation injection OSIRIS 3D with DRACO-laser

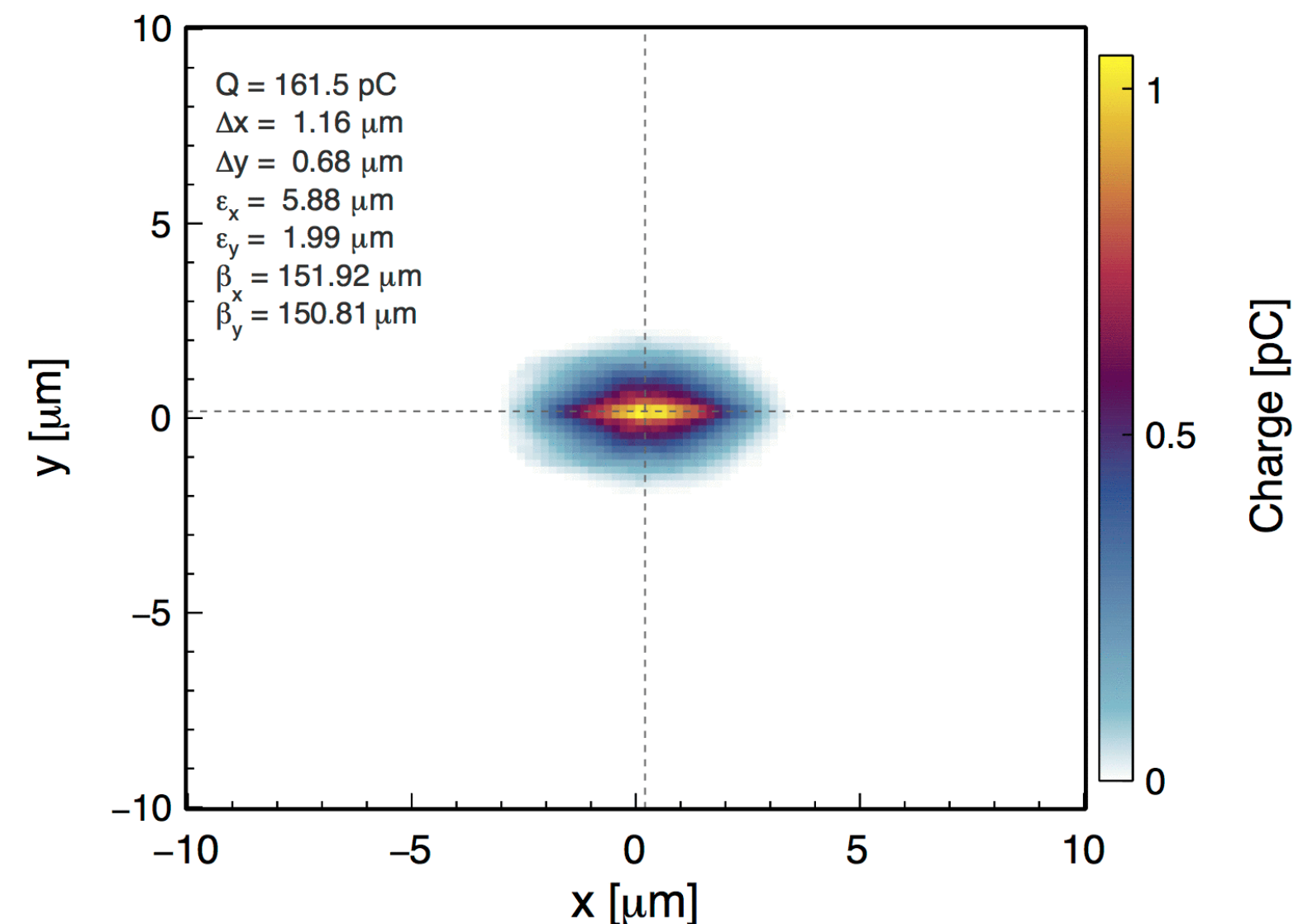


LWFA beams from ionization injection: OSIRIS 3D with HZDR parameters



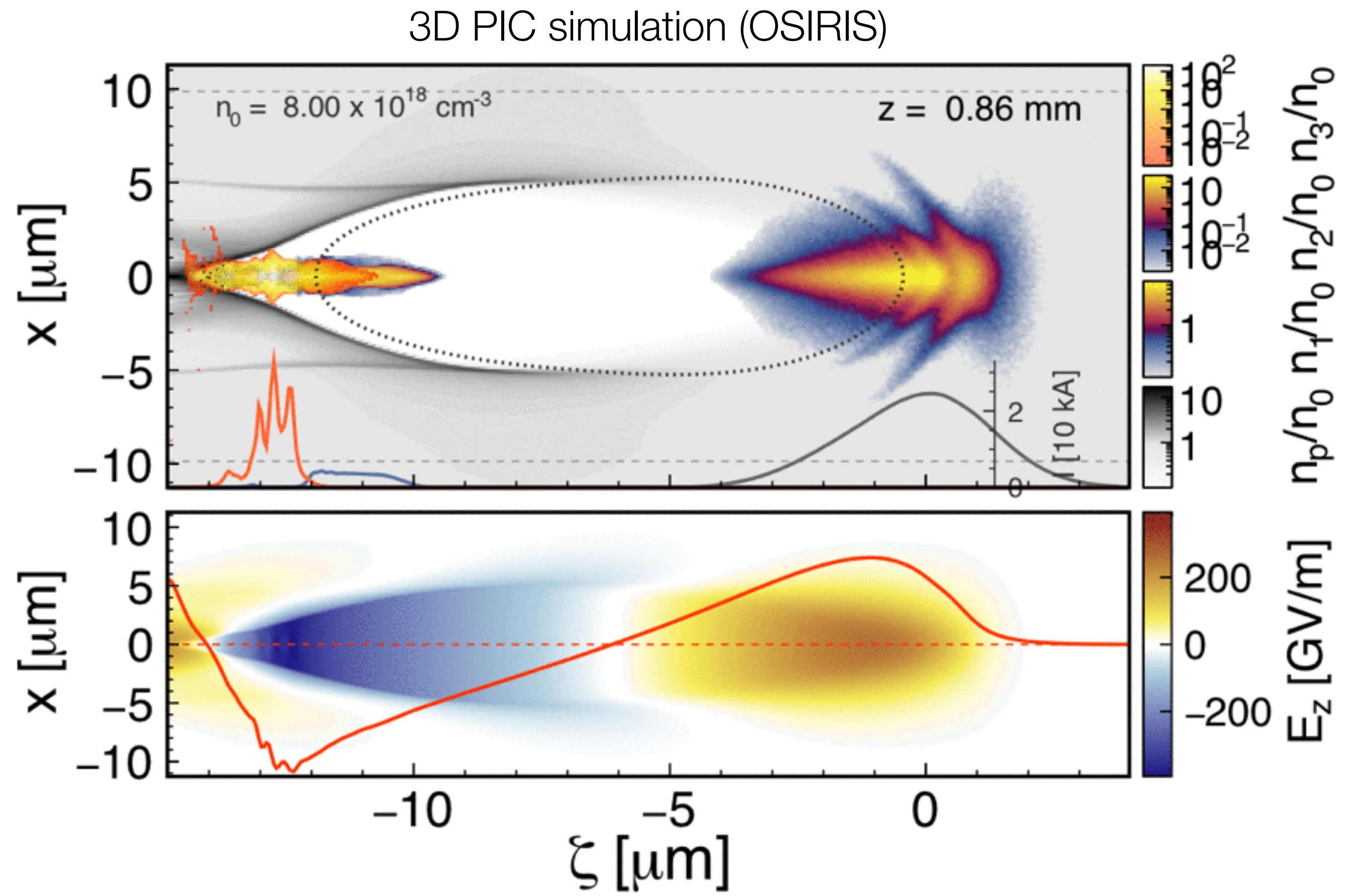
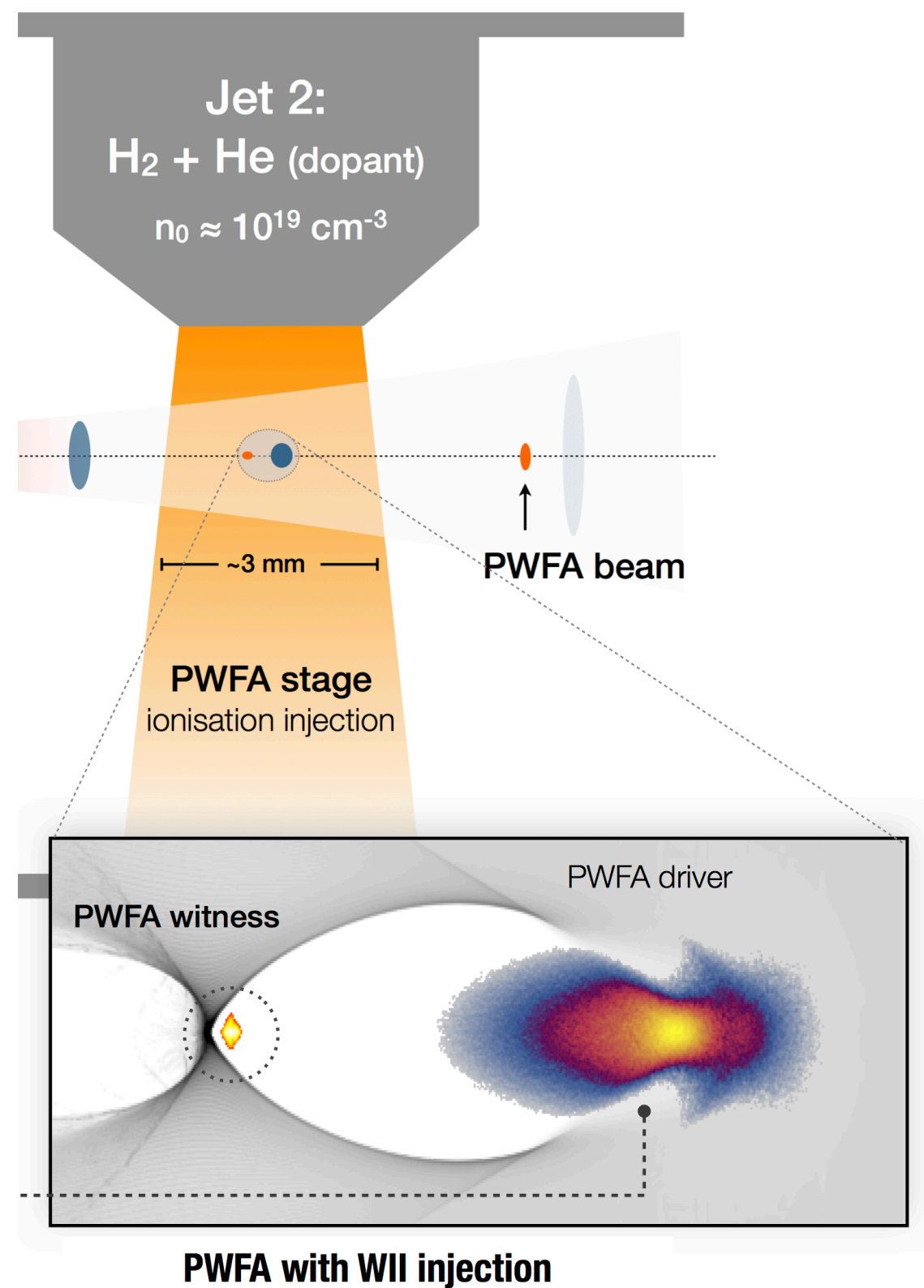
Witness bunch LWFA (after 1.8 mm)

- Energy: **340 MeV**
- Energy spread: **10%**
- Charge: **162 pC**
- Current: **35 kA**
- Length (rms): **0.5 μm** (~4 fs fwhm)
- Norm. emittance: **6 μm**

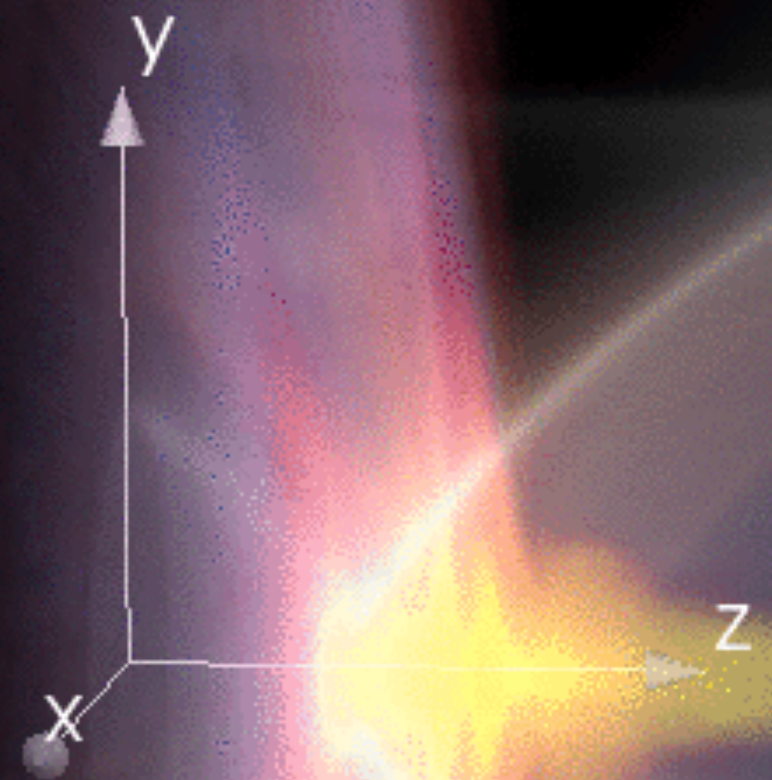


Laser-to-beam-driven WFA: **PWFA with HZDR-type drive-beam**

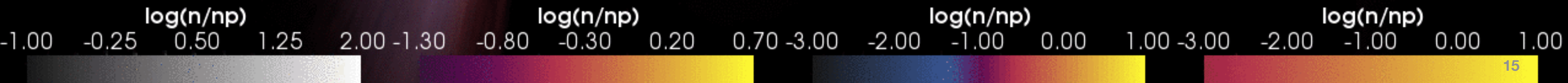
Second jet: PWFA with Ionisation injection



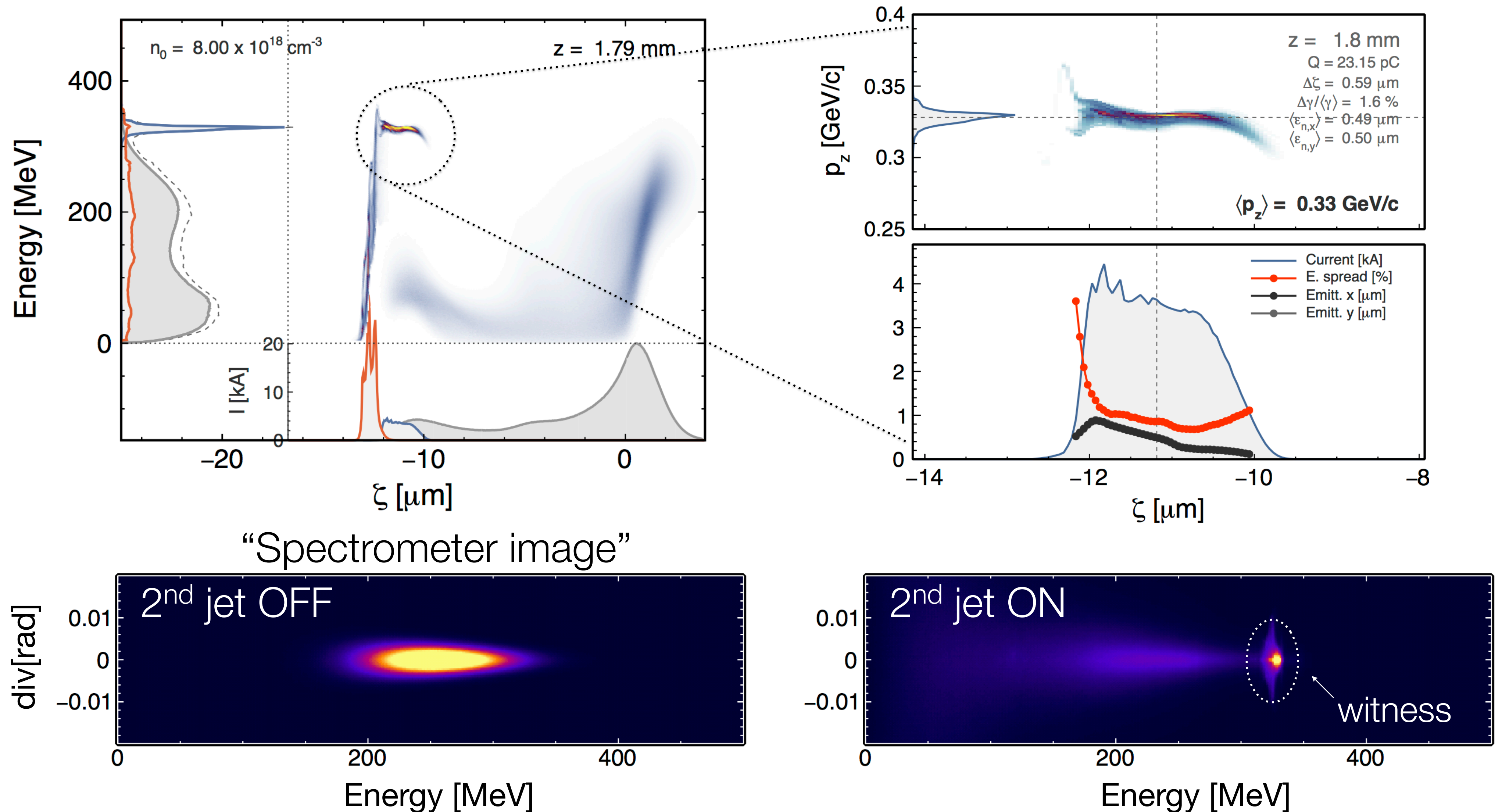
Second jet: PWFA with Ionisation injection (HZDR-type driver)



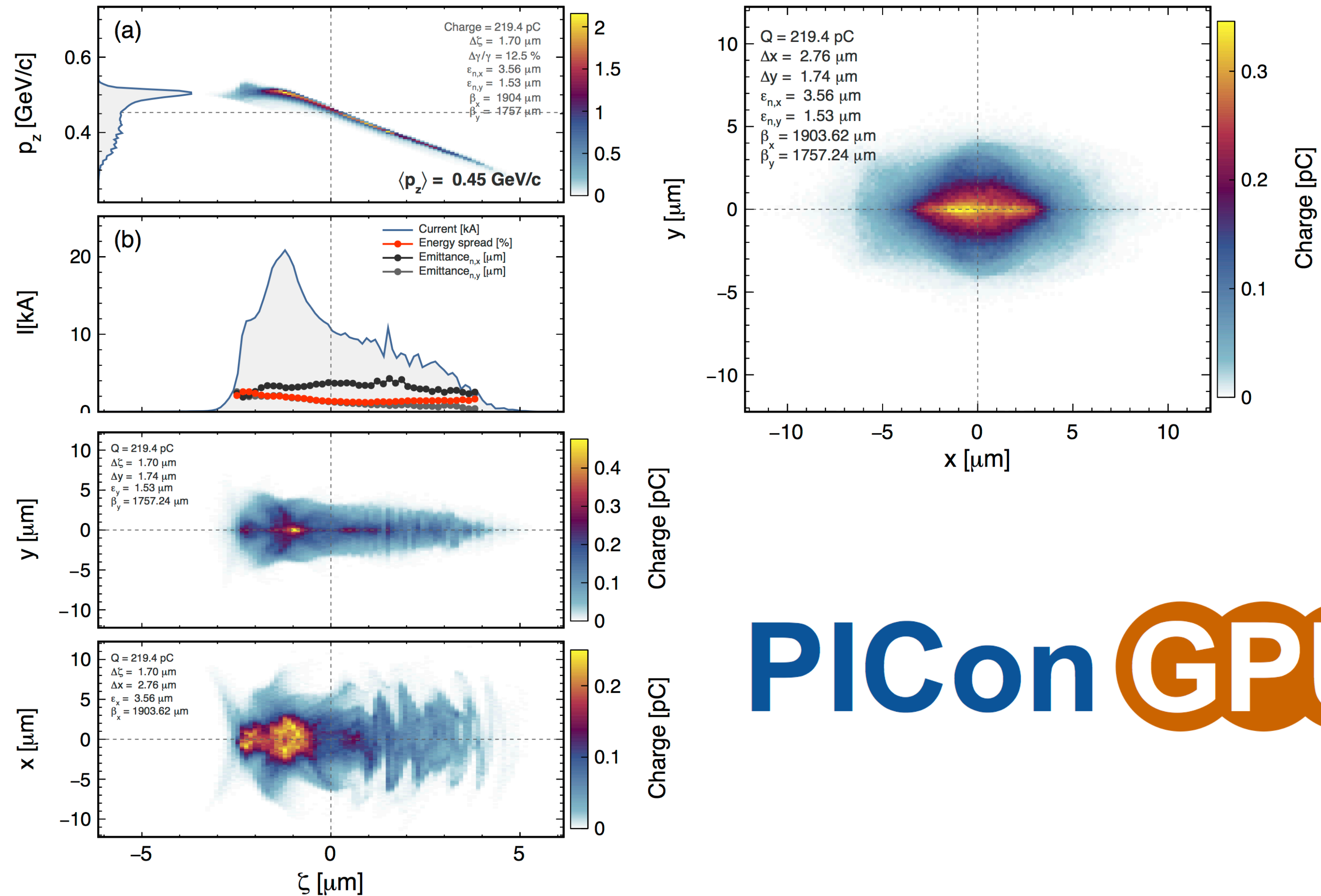
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Laser-to-beam-driven WFA: PWFA simulation with HZDR beam



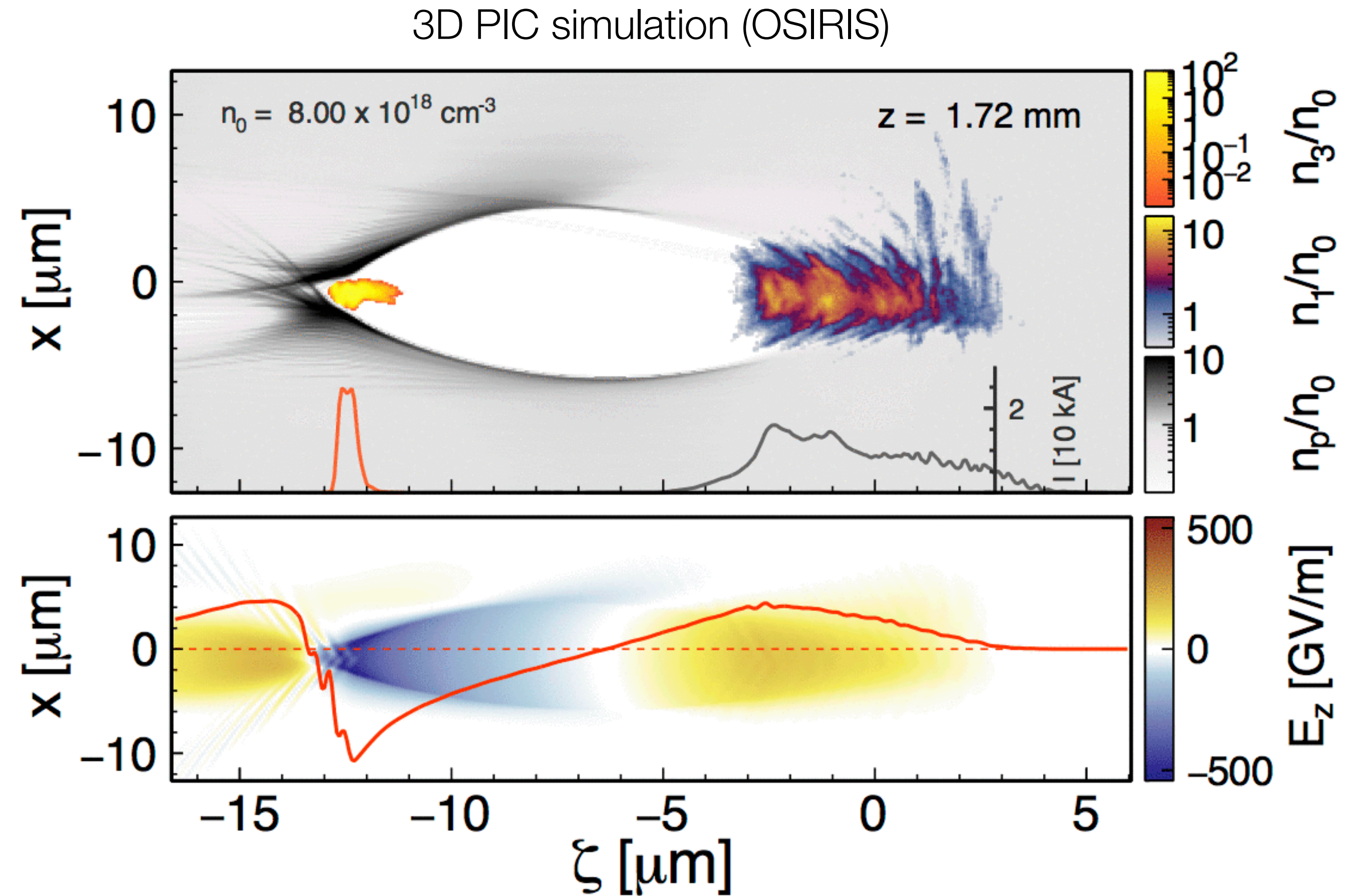
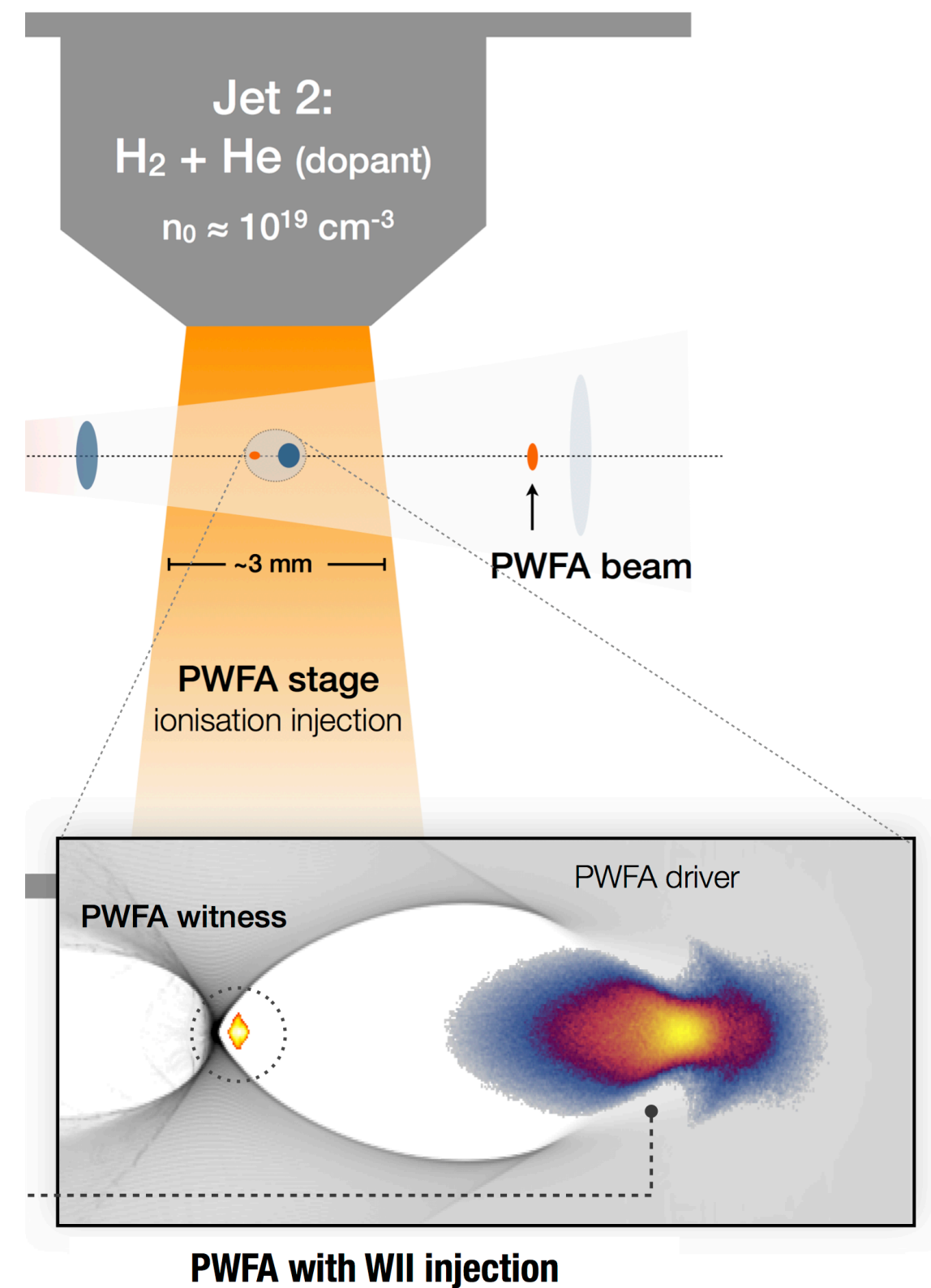
LWFA beams from ionization injection: **PIConGPU** simulation (HZDR)



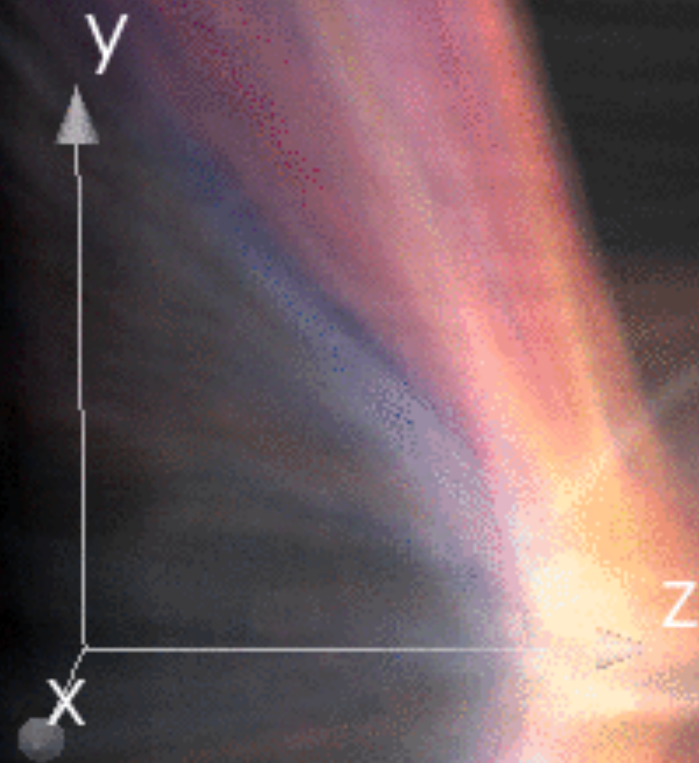
PIConGPU

Laser-to-beam-driven WFA: **Start-to-end simulation (PIConGPU input)**

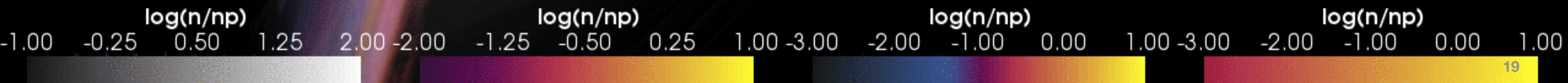
Second jet: PWFA with Ionisation injection



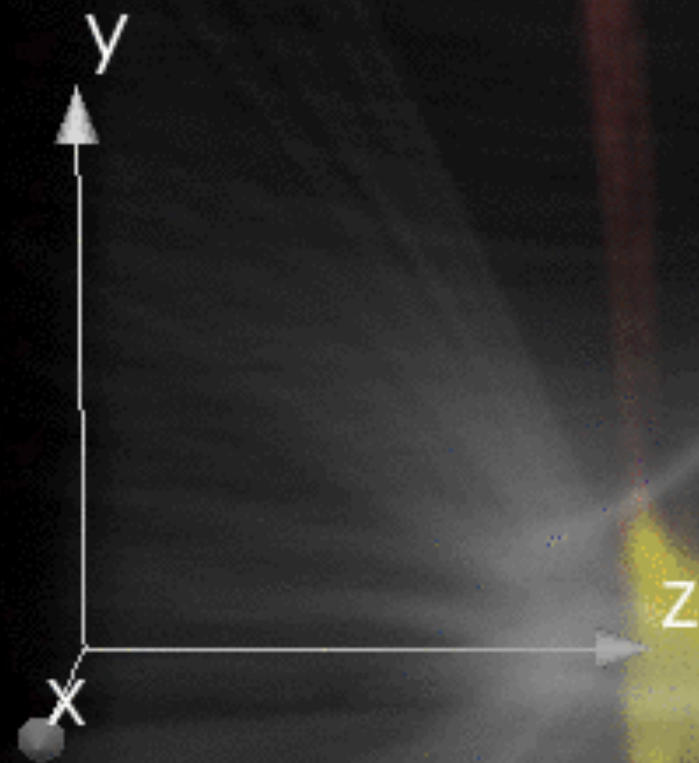
Second jet: PWFA with Ionisation injection (start-to-end)



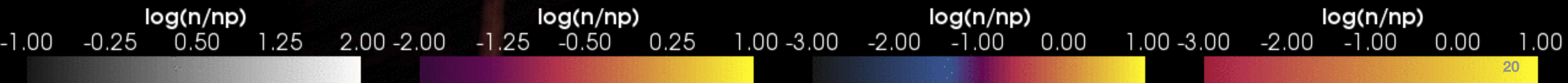

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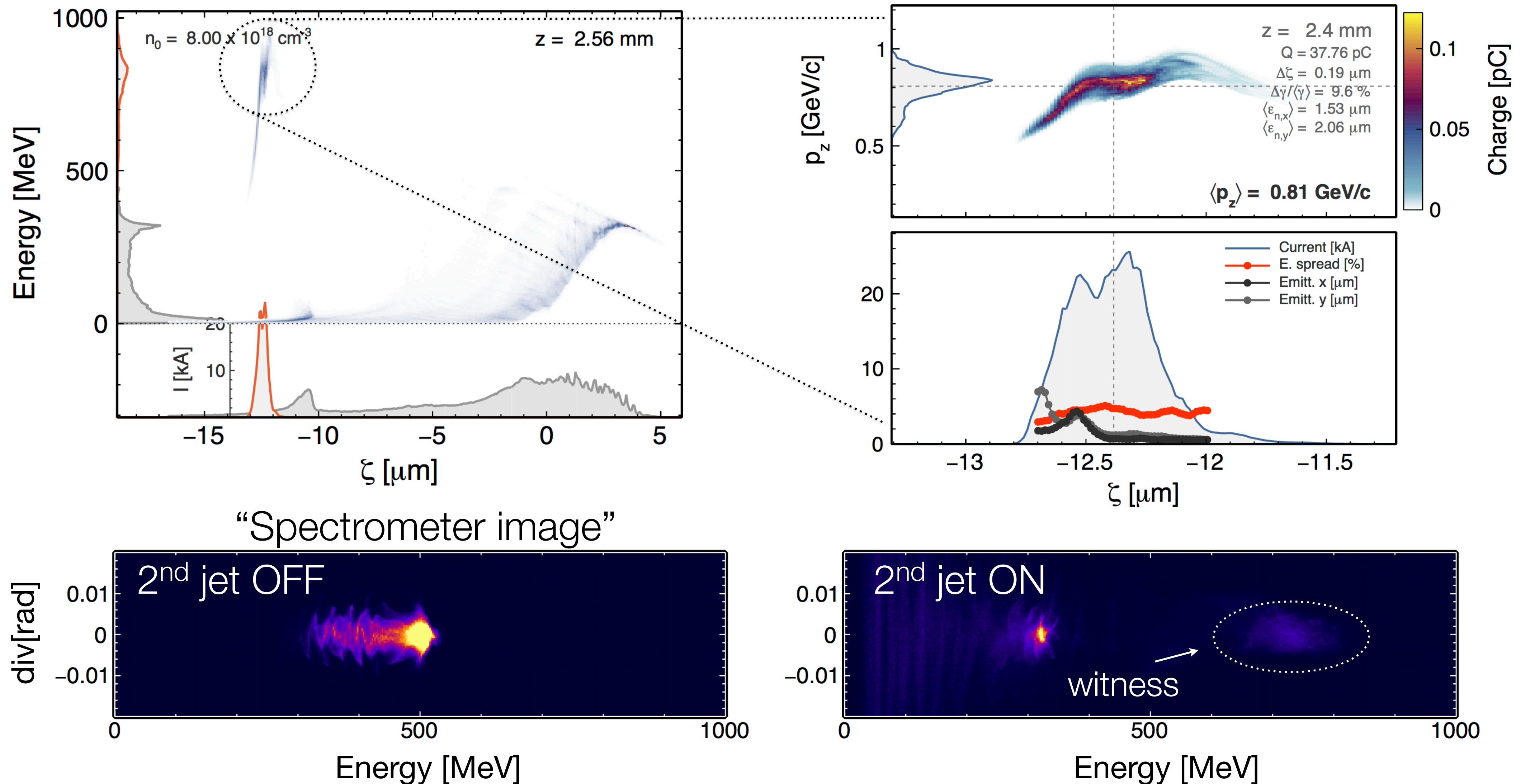
Second jet: PWFA with Ionisation injection (start-to-end)



Osiris



Laser-to-beam-driven WFA: PWFA simulation with PIConGPU beam



Laser-to-beam-driven WFA: **Summary**

Conceptual design for a laser-to-beam driven plasma accelerator:

For the production of multi-GeV, high-brightness, FEL capable beams.

Preliminary working point achieved by means of PIC simulations:

Energy and brightness booster: 2 x energy, 10000 x brightness.

Proof-of-concept experiment at HZDR (LPWFA experiment):

Injection of electron beams in a PWFA driven by electron beams from LWFA.

Preliminary start-to-end simulations for the LPWFA experiment:

Energy doubling of low-emittance beams in the PWFA stage.

Thank you

