Feasibility Study for a Biomedical Research Facility at CERN PARTNER Meeting

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Lack of Beamtime

European facilities providing ion beams with energies $> 50 \, {
m MeV/\,n}$

nuclear physics laboratories

- GANIL (FR), INFN LNS (IT), KVI/AGOR (NL)
- GSI (DE), ITEP (RU), JINR (RU)
- ion beam therapy centres
 - HIT (DE), CNAO (IT)
 - soon MedAustron (AT)

- ► limited time availability
- ► only limited range of ions, priority given to clinical use

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Strong Interest from Community

- success of recent brainstorming meeting with potential users: over 200 participants
- **proposal paper** to *European Strategy for Particle Physics Open Symposium* (10-12 September, Krakow)

LEIR



LEIR



- new ion source and modifications in preacceleration chain to deliver light ions
- transferlines to experiments
- infrastructure for experiments required

- **new ejection** towards south hall needed
 - slow ejection preferable for experiments
 - easier to implement than fast ejection



- standard method for extracting particles over many turns ($\sim 10^6$)
 - ► fine control of particle flux
- uses third order resonance
 - ▶ particle tune multiple of $\pi/3$
 - ▶ particles at same point in phasepace every 3rd turn
- amplitude of motion builds up due to sextupole kicks
- stable part of phasespace adopts triangular shape
- unstable particles diverge along separatrices





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Studied feasibility of implementation in LEIR...

- positioning of septa in lattice
- magnet settings for extraction
- aperture limitations

Elements in LEIR



Extraction Geometry and Septa



Critical point is ES:

- very limited space
- field strength limited by vacuum requirements for Pb

Septa	Electrostatic	Magnetic
Physical length	86 cm	120 cm
Effective length	66 cm	100 cm
Septum thickness	0.1 mm	10 mm
Field Strength	7 MV/m	0.5 T
Kick	3.4 mrad	80 mrad
(400 MeV/n, Q/A = 0.5)		



Sextupole Settings for Resonance Excitation

Sextupoles tuned to

- excite 3rd order resonance for spiral step $\sim 10\,\mathrm{mm}$
- adjust chromaticity
 - for Hardt condition
 - ► alignment of separatrices for off-momentum particles

Integrated Sextupole strength [T/m] $(B\rho = 4.8 \text{ Tm})$	LEIR-like	LEAR-like	
F-family SS10/30	-3.8	-6.2	
D-family SS10/30	3	5.9	
sextupole 1 in SS40	-9	-6.0	
sextupole 2 in SS40	-0.90	20.0	



Pb operation for LHC not to be perturbed

- i.e. machine aperture not be reduced by new electrostatic and magnetic septum
- horizontal position of septa:
 - $\sim -45\,\mathrm{mm}$ for electrostatic septum
 - $\blacksquare \sim -55\,\mathrm{mm}$ for first magnetic septum
- local orbit bump required around septa to avoid loss of particles on separatrices at other elements



Extraction towards Transferlines



separation between extracted and circulating beam determines position and kind of second septum

start parameters for transferlines:

- vertical phasespace: as in lattice
- horizontal phasespace:
 'bar of charge': D, D' given by momentum dependency of spiral step, *ε*, β from fitting extracted distribution
- \blacksquare first quadrupole $\sim 3\,\mathrm{m}$ downstream of kicker tank

- design parameters for transferlines:
 - horizontal beamline up to 430 MeV/n
 - \blacksquare vertical beamline up to 75 $\mathrm{MeV}/\,\mathrm{n}$
 - $> 5 \times 5 \,\mathrm{cm}^2$ field size,
 - field non-uniformities $<\pm5\%$

Horizontal Transferline - preliminary



Vertical Transferline - preliminary



$$D_{x,y} = 0$$
, $D'_{x,y} = 0$ at end of beamline

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- re-implementation of a slow extraction well advanced
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 - options for low energy front-end (2nd Linac3 source or other solution) under study
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Outlook

- sextupole and dipole strengths to be verified
- discuss and refine septa parameter with hardware experts, modification of the kicker (for fast ejection) tank
- line design and discussions with hardware experts (magnets, vacuum, etc.)
- continuation of radio protection studies with updated input based on first transfer line design
- ▶ get clear picture of the **conceptual design** by the end of the year
- ▶ estimate resources needed: material and manpower, possible timescales

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 Lorentz force:

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{L}} = q \left(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \right)$$

accelerator lattice:

sequence of elements for beam manipulation, diagnostics, etc., aligned along **reference orbit** (trajectory of particle with design momentum $p = p_0$)

- from equilibrium condition of Lorentz and Centripetal forces:
 - ▶ magnetic rigidity $B\rho$ of beam

$$B\rho = \frac{p}{q}$$

- curvilinear righthanded coordinate system (x̂, ẑ, ŝ):
 - ŝ: distance along reference orbit
 - x̂ and ẑ: horizontal and vertical component of displacement from reference orbit



- alternating focusing / defocusing by quadrupole magnets
 ▶ oscillatory motion in transverse coordinates (x̂, ẑ) along ŝ (betatron oscillation)
- tune Q: number of betatron oscillations $[2\pi]$ per turn
- divergence $x' = \frac{\partial x}{\partial s}$
- phase space coordinates (x(s), x'(s), z(s), z'(s), p(s))
- stable particle motion:
 ellipse in phase space with emittance e





Resonant Slow Extraction

- **slow extraction** over many turns ($\sim 10^6$)
- **resonance**: Q multiple of π , here 1/3 integer resonance $Q = n \cdot 1/3$
 - particles at same point in phase space every 3rd turn
 - periodic sampling of perturbations > emittance growth
- 3rd order resonance excited by sextupole magnet



for slow extraction for medical synchrotrons see for example: Badano, Benedikt, Bryant, Crescenti, Holy, Maier, Pullia, et al.: Proton-Ion Medical Machine Study (PIMMS), 2000. http://odsweb.cern.ch/record/385378

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Resonant Slow Extraction (continued)

slow extraction requires 'stable beam' to be slowly moved into resonance



from Phil Bryant's presentation on Synchrotons at PARTNER course *Accelerators and Gantries*, March 2012, CERN

options for driving particles into resonance

- shift of tune
- longitudinal excitation
- transverse excitation



Figure 1: Steinbach diagram showing the various different driving mechanisms: a) betatron core (red), b) RF knockout (magenta), c) RF noise (cyan) and d) lattice tune adjustment (orange). The spill is indicated for case a and c.

G. Feldbauer, M. Benedikt, U. Dorda:

Simulations of various driving mechanisms for the 3rd order resonant extraction from the MedAustron medical synchrotron, IPAC 2011, San Sebastián

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Resonant Slow Extraction (continued)

- extracted beam segment at electrostatic septum
- **kick** given by electrostatic septum translates into separation for magnetic septum



Two Lattice Configurations



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three options are discussed to provide LEIR with light ions

Option1:

new front end for Linac3 New source, new LEBT, new RFQ, switch yard to join into the MEBT of Linac3

- Advantage: re-use of present equipment
- Disadvantage: very limited space in Linac3 available, heavy ion operation should not be disturbed (maintain transmission of the MEBT), RFQ production takes some time, installation and commissioning only possible if Linac3 is not running for heavy ion physics ► many years from now before the first beam will be available

 Option 2: new linac – Linac5

- Advantage: independent of Linac3 operation, machine well adapted to light ion operation
- Disadvantage: RFQ production will also delay the whole schedule in this case
- Option 3:

cyclotron

- Advantage: probably of-the-shelf solution available
- Disadvantage: no cyclotron specialists at CERN Man power, budget and schedule requests of the three options have to be compared to select the option which allows the earliest possible beam for the users

Option 1 has been studied using Pantechnik Supernanogan source

 \blacksquare at LINAC3 final energy (4.2 $\mathrm{MeV}/\,\mathrm{n}\,)$ neutron production may occur for light ions

- Ion species and intensities per cycle (2.4 or 3.6 s)
 - based on Linac3 source proposal (7.5 keV/n at RFQ entrance and injection of 5 efficient turns in LEIR, no cooling)
 - He: LEIR limitation lower than $\tilde{\text{Linac3}}$ limit $\approx 8.5 \cdot 10^{10}$ ions

species	С	Ν	0	Ne
intensity [109]	1.4	0.4	1.1	0.25

- Outcome of brainstorming meeting with experiments in June: Protons are very important
- production not trivial: H2+ or H3+ from Linac3 and stripping (low magnetic fields in LEIR) or Protons at 50 MeV from Linac2 or Linac4?
- Proposal: Acceleration and extraction of H2+ in LEIR stripped to protons in line