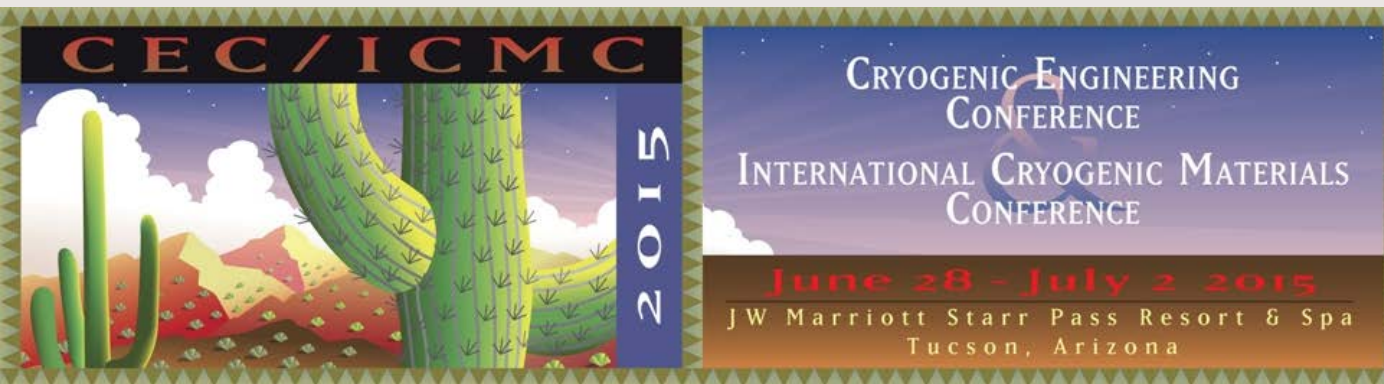


# ARIEL E-linac Cryogenic System: Commissioning and First Operational Experience

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# Outline:



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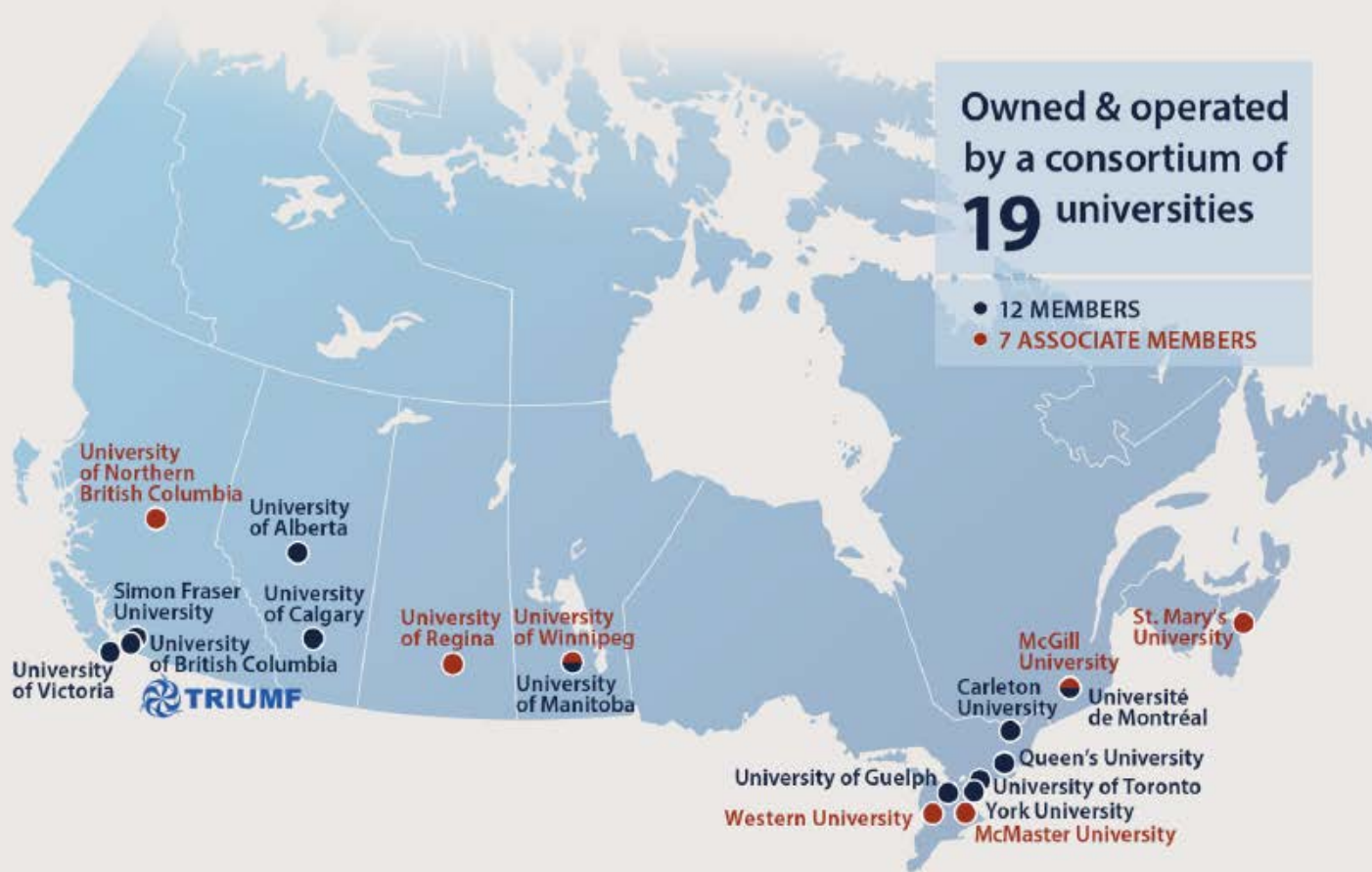
- ARIEL project
- E-linac

2. Cryogenic System Layout
3. ARIEL e-linac cryosystem installation
4. ARIEL e-linac cryosystem commissioning
5. Results

## Summary

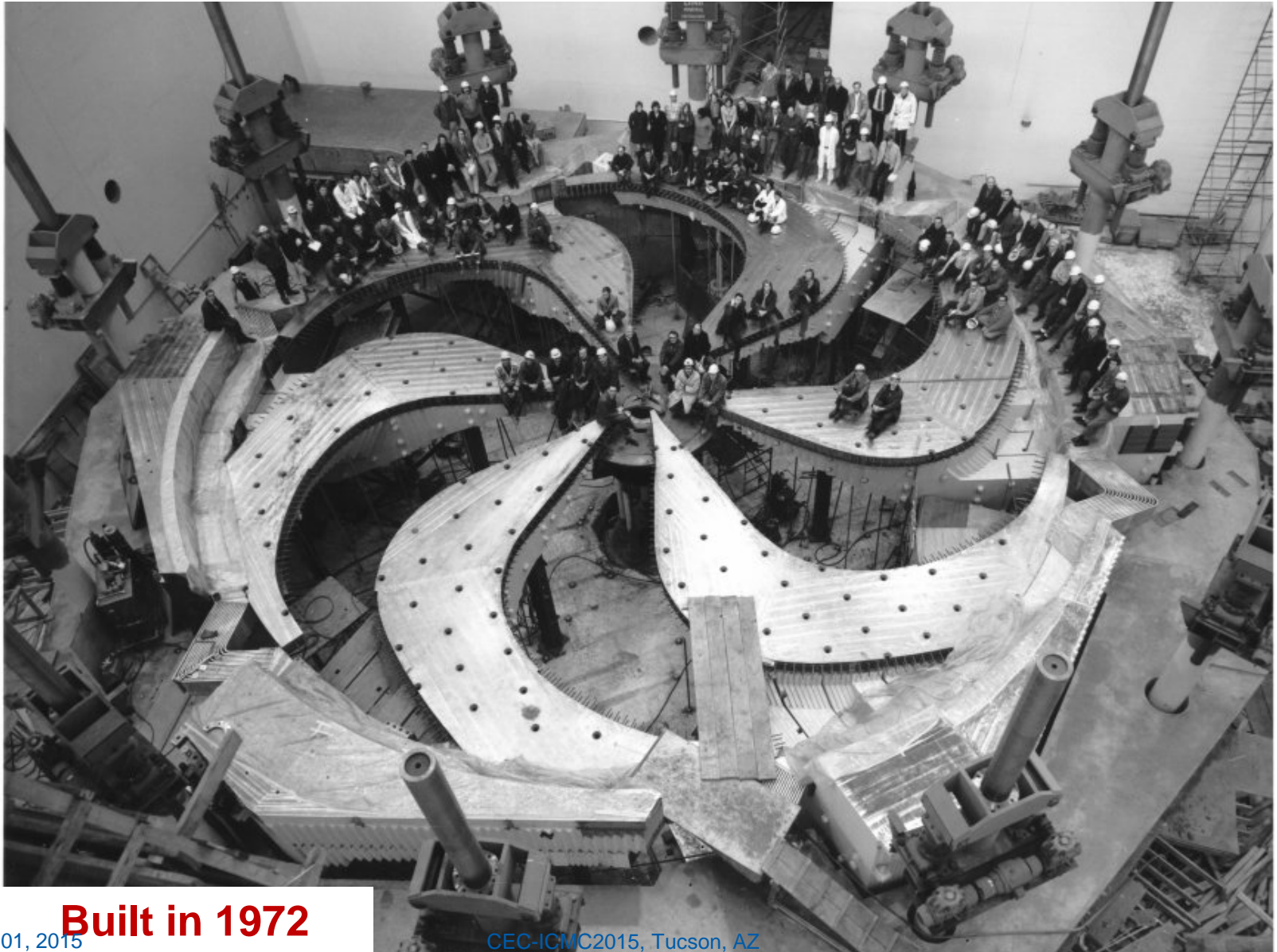


# State of TRIUMF



The state of the laboratory is strong!

# The 530 MeV Cyclotron at TRIUMF: The World's Largest Cyclotron



**Built in 1972**

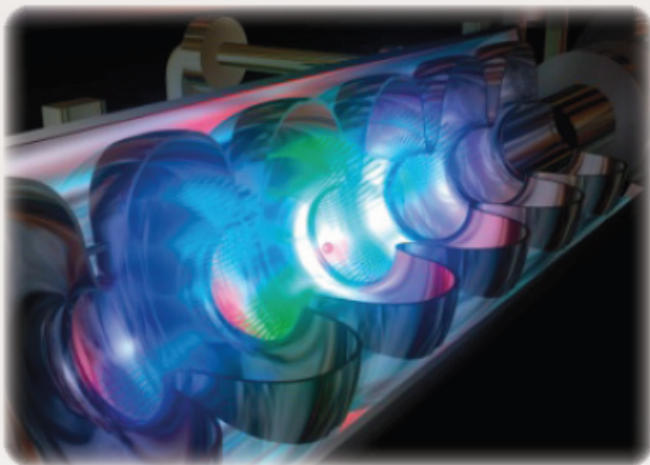
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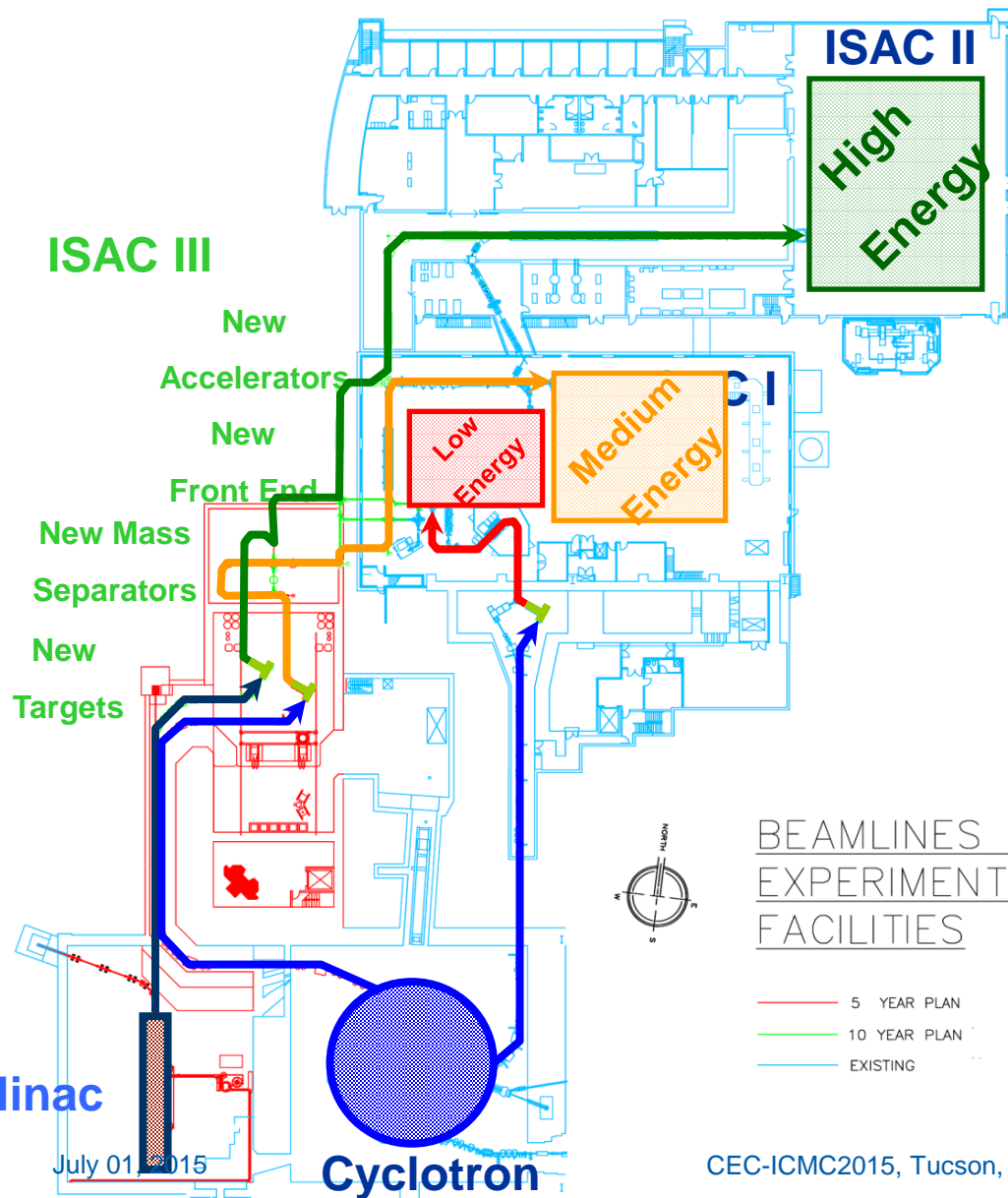


ADVANCED RARE ISOTOPE LABORATORY



ARIEL will be TRIUMF's flagship Rare Isotope Beam facility for the production of isotopes for physics and medicine. ARIEL uses proton-induced spallation and electron-driven photo-fission of ISOL targets for the production of short-lived, rare isotopes that are delivered to multiple experiments simultaneously at the ISAC facility.

# ARIEL Project 10-Year Plan: Motivation



- New complementary electron linac (e-linac) driver for photo-fission
- New proton beamline
- New targets an front end
- Allows substantially expand RIB program with:
  - three simultaneous beams
  - increased number of hours delivered per year
  - new RIB beam species
  - increased beam development time

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# Time line for ARIEL facility

- **Funded now ARIEL I (to be implemented till end of FY2015):**
  - E-linac demonstrates Electron beam at 25 MeV, 100 kW from SRF linac – license pending
  - Civil construction to encompass objectives of ARIEL Phases I & II
  - E-Hall and Compressor Building complete
- **Next five-year plan – ARIEL II (2015-2020):**
  - Electron Target Station
  - ARIEL Front-end for ISAC
  - Electron beam at 50 MeV, 500 kW
  - Proton beam at >480 MeV, 100  $\mu$ A from the H- cyclotron using new proton beamline
  - Proton target station
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> ARIEL Front-end for ISAC



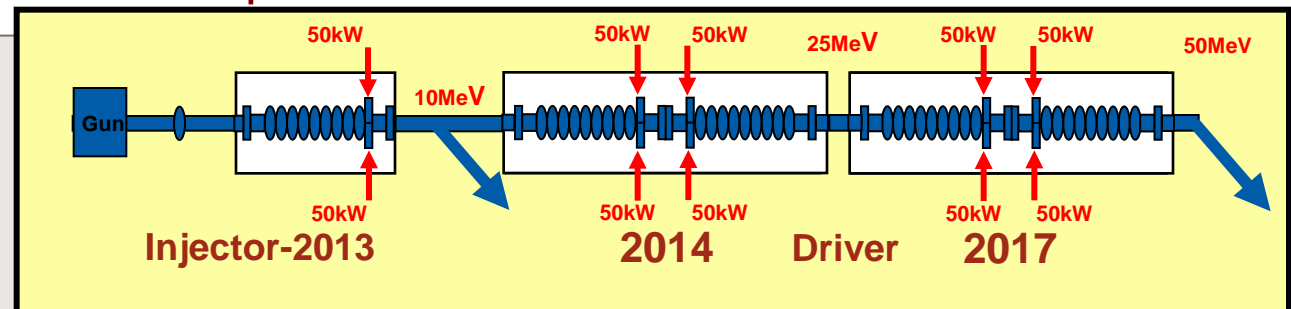
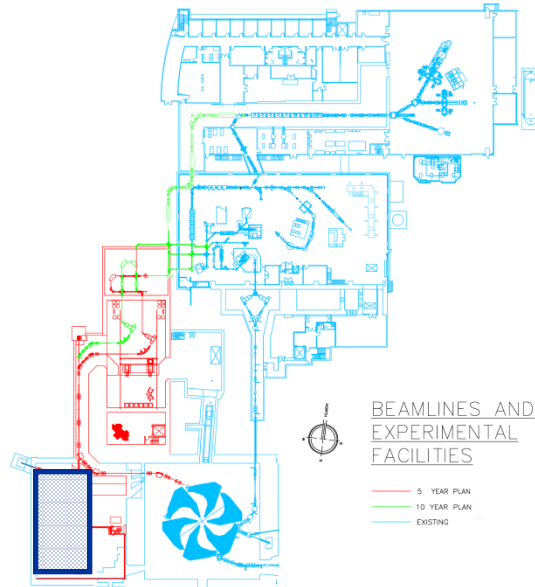
# TRIUMF and e-linac



- Electron driver for photo-fission: independent and complementary to 500 MeV cyclotron
- Composed of five elliptical cavities at 1.3 GHz
- Final specification 50 MeV/10mA  $\rightarrow$  0.5 MW beam power, cw – by 2017 (cash flow dependent)

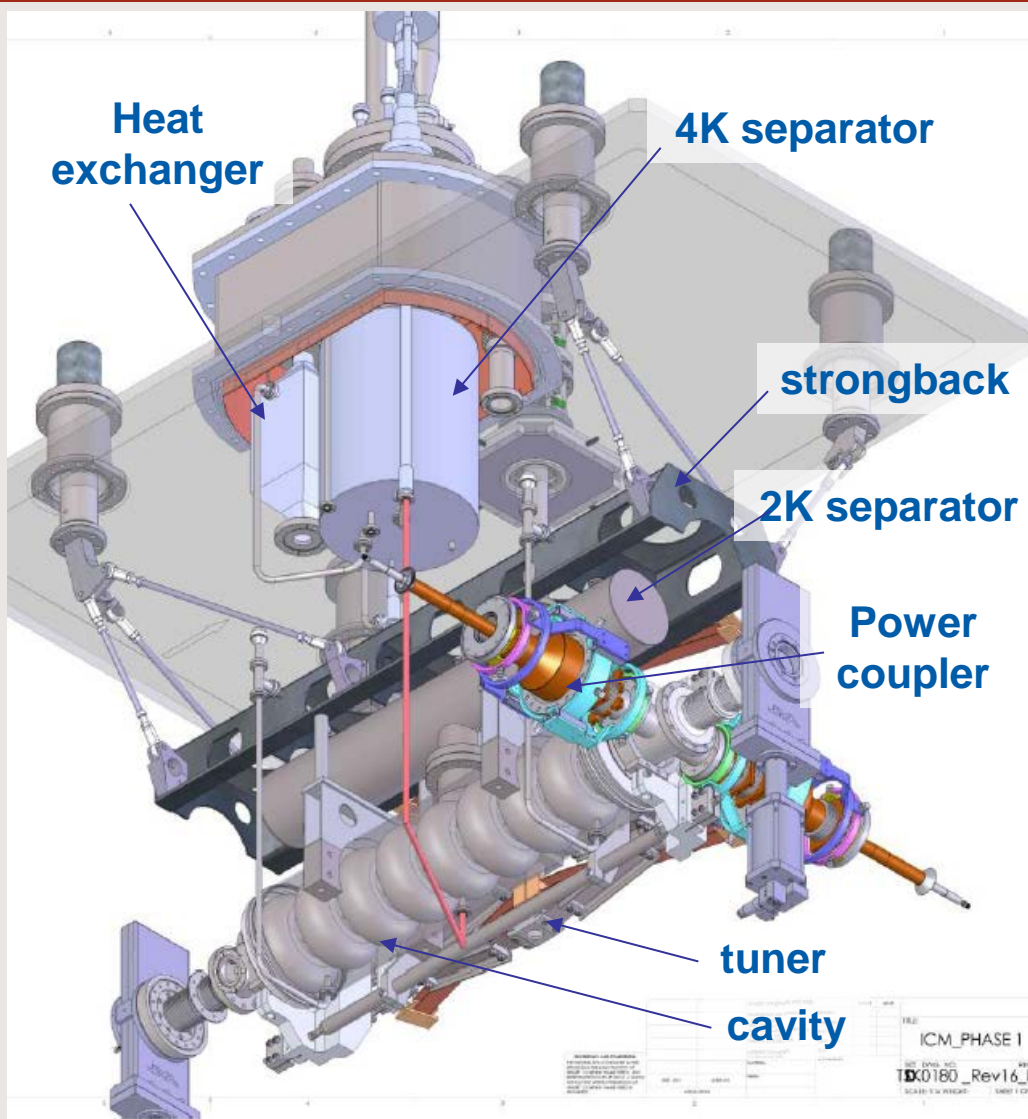
• Staged installation: 25-30 MeV and 3 mA - 2014

• Injector cryomodule (ICM) - designed, built and tested as part of the VECC collaboration - 2013





# Injector Cryomodule



## Houses

- one nine-cell 1.3GHz cavity
- Two 50kW power coupler

## Features

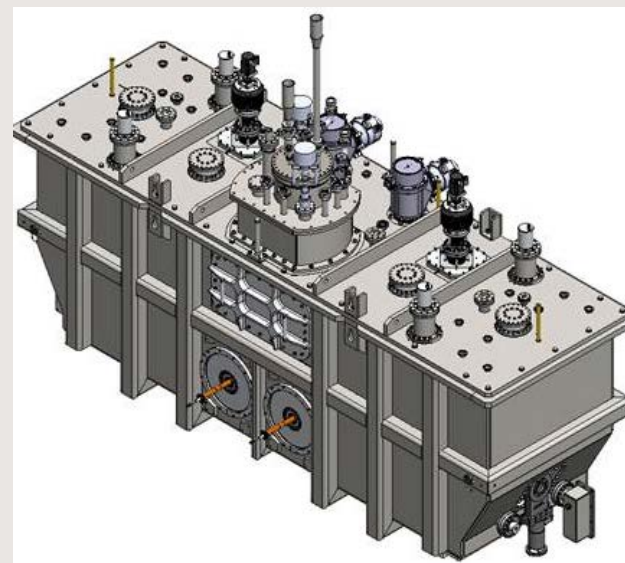
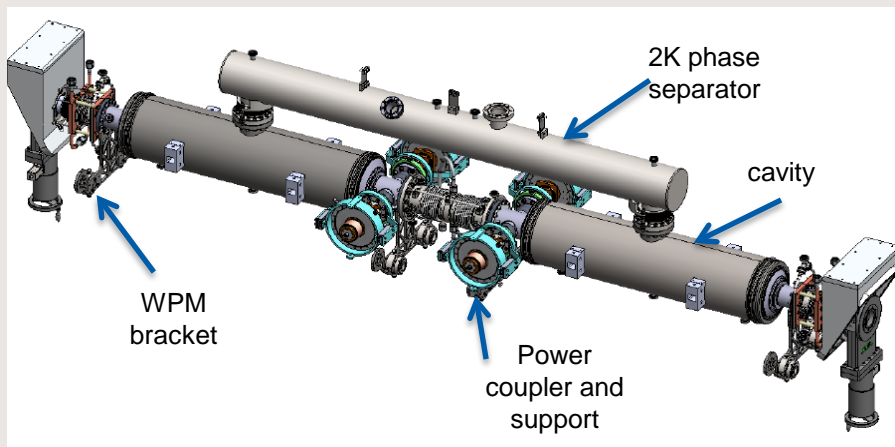
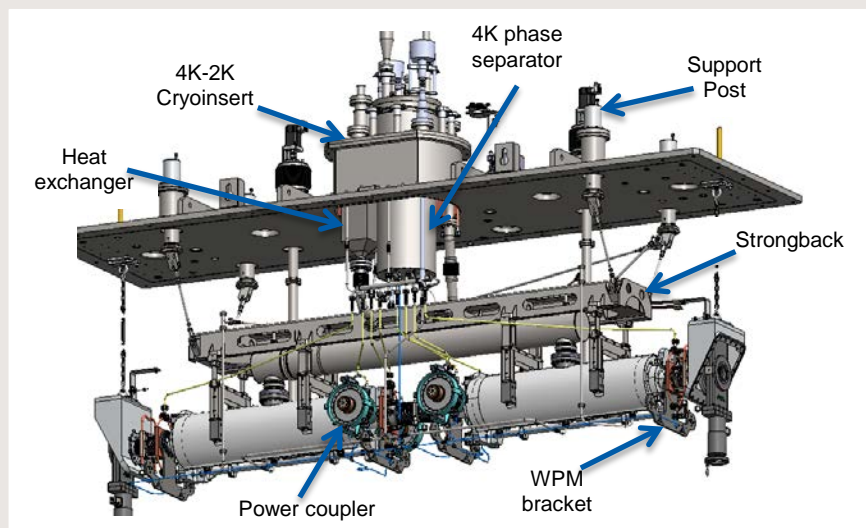
- 4K/2K heat exchanger with JT valve on board – expand LHe from 1.4bar to 32mbar
- Scissor tuner with warm motor
- Two layers of mu metal – warm and cold
- LN2 thermal shield
- CESIC® HOM damping material in warm/cold beam-pipe transition
- WPM based alignment
- Stainless steel ribbed tank with hatches for access

# Accelerator Cryomodule

- The ACM uses same basic design as ICM but with two 1.3GHz nine cell cavities each with two 50kW power couplers
- There is one 4k/2k insert identical to the ICM
- Physical dimensions

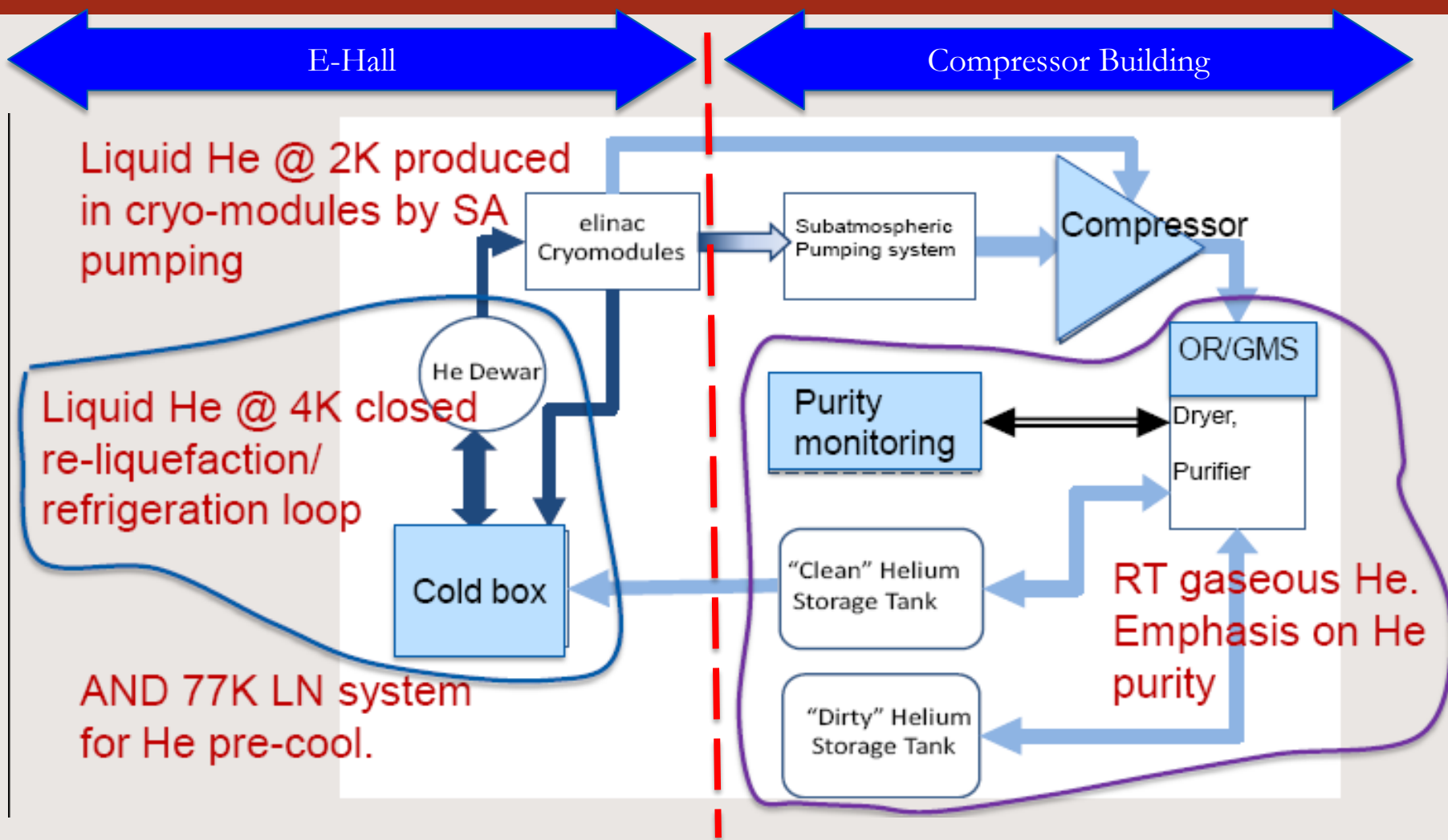
$L \times H \times W = 3.9 \times 1.4 \times 1.3 \text{ m}$

9 tons

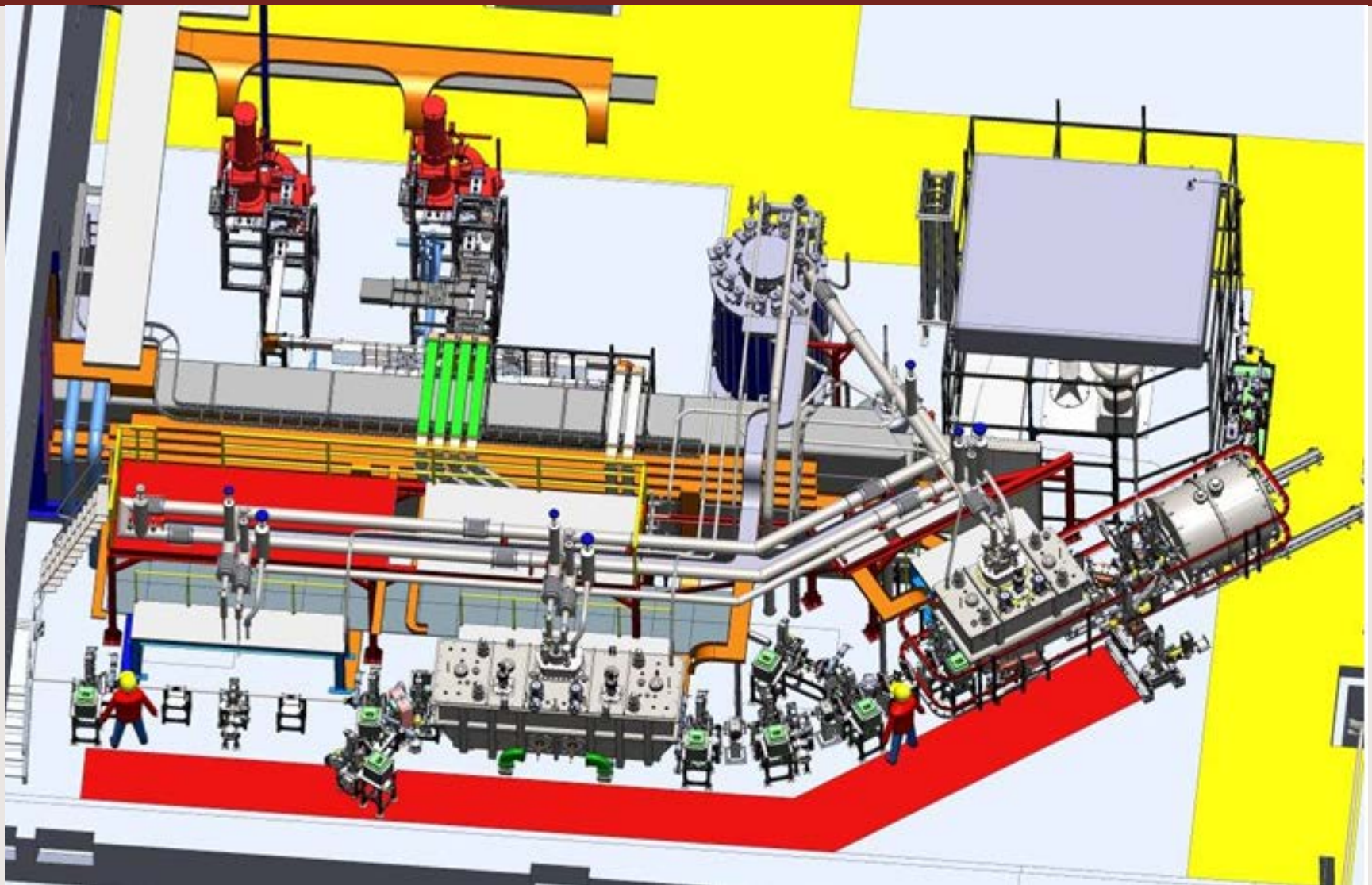




# Cryogenic system schematic



# Scope of Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 (CFI) deliverables





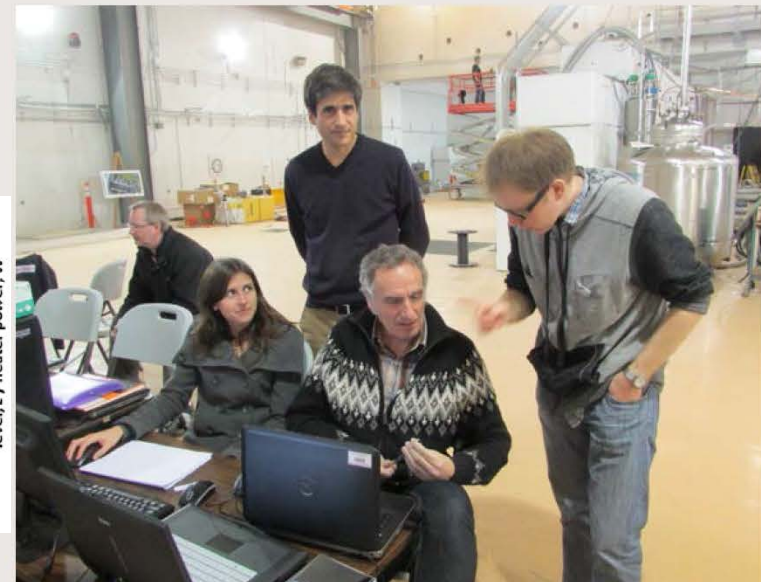
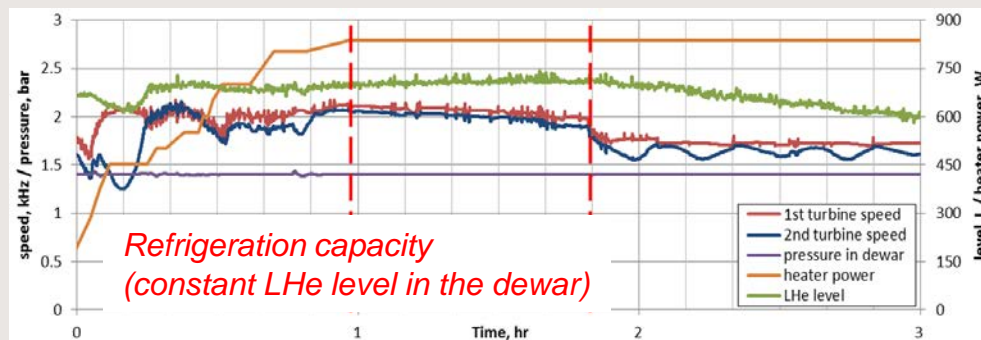
# Helium Cryogenic Plant 4K Acceptance Test

*Results of the helium cryoplant acceptance tests.*

Measured performance parameter	Measured (expected) values
Pure liquefaction capacity with LN2 precooling	367 (288) L/hr
Pure refrigeration capacity with LN2 precooling	837 (600) W



**First Liquid (2013 Nov 22 @ 1 AM)**



# Sub-Atmospheric Helium System

**SA Heat Exchanger  
installed 2013 Dec  
20 in e-hall**



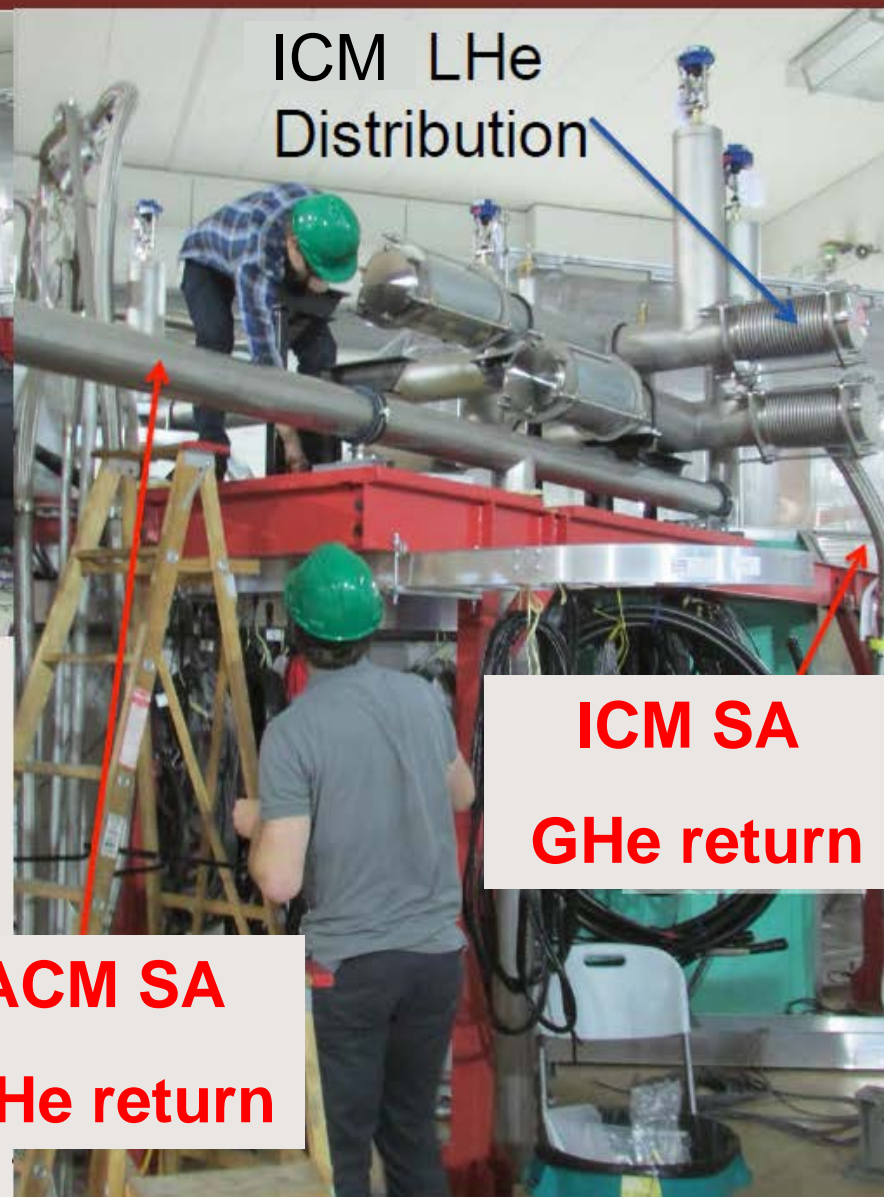
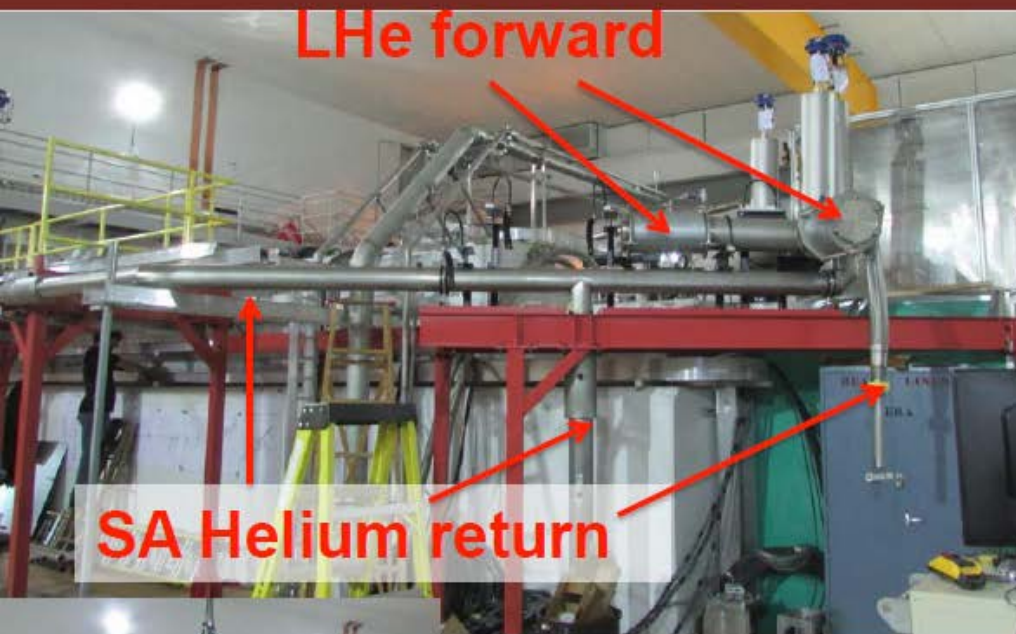
**SA pumps manifold  
installed 2014 Jan 14  
in Compressor Bldg**

- SA He piping install in B3 tunnel
- LC Water install to dump HEX 2013 March 27





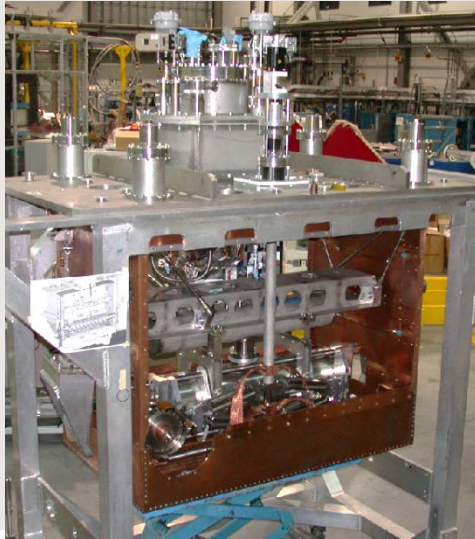
# Liquid & SA Helium Lines in e-hall



Busy Spring  
and Summer  
2014



# ICM Assembly



ICM mock-up – 2013

- Mock-up assembly of ICM used to test parts and procedures
- Final assembly (aided by lessons learned from mock-up) - completed in <1 month



Cavity hermetic unit (March 14, 2014)



ICM top assembly

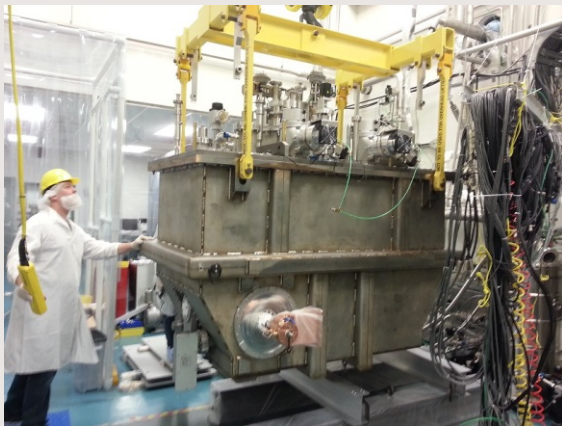


Top assembly into tank

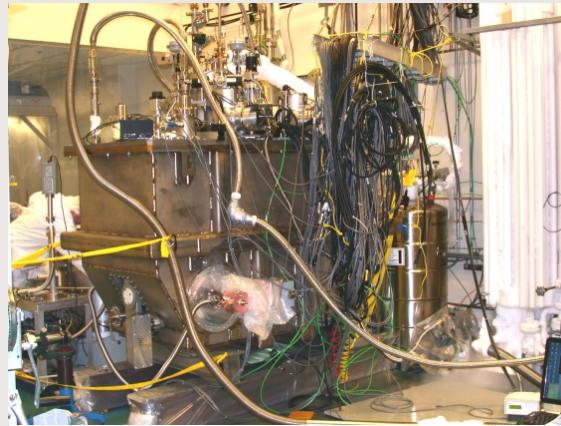


ICM unit Complete (April 9, 2014)

# ICM Cold test



ICM craned into position



ICM during cold test



Preparing cables and cryogenics



Cold test complete

- ICM delivered to cryogenic test area
- Established cool-down protocol, vacuum integrity and cryogenic performance
- Tested thermal syphon parameters
- Tuned couplers to  $Q_{\text{ext}} \sim 3 \times 10^6$
- Established cold alignment



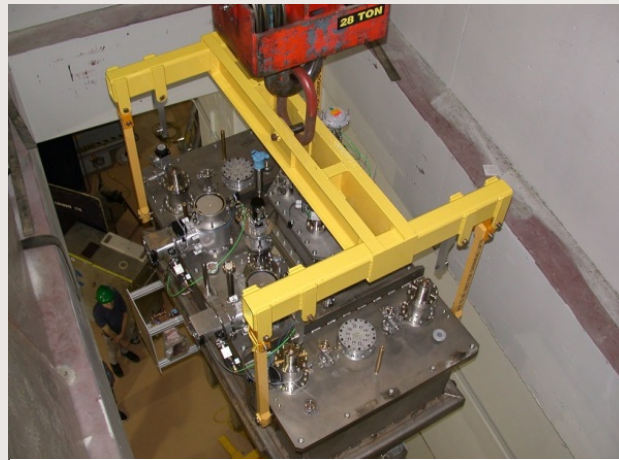
# ICM Move (April 28)



ICM over ISAC-II

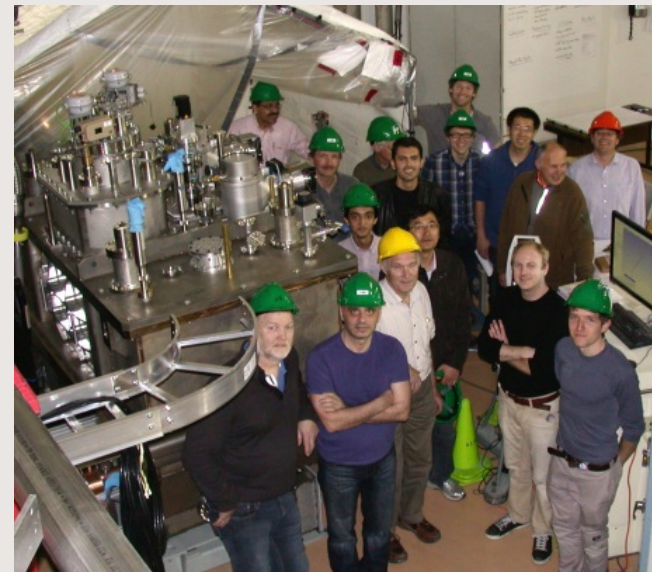


ICM on the move



Lowering ICM to the e-Hall

On April 28 the ICM was moved from the clean room, craned over ISAC-II hall, carted over to proton hall loading bay, craned down to e-hall and finally craned into position, six weeks after completion of the hermetic unit



ICM in position in the e-Hall

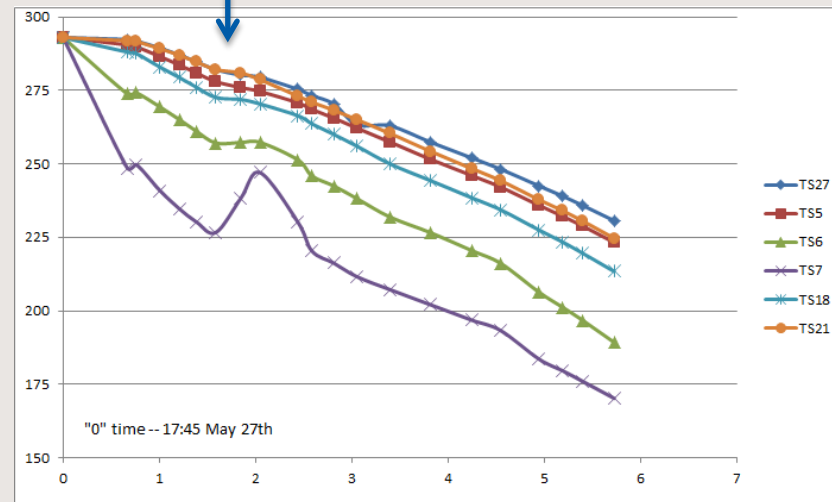


# May E-log Highlight: Injector in place

- 01: ICM in e-hall, warm, under vacuum
- 12: EGUN conditioning – reached 323kV
- 27: first electrons in e-hall - 5 $\mu$ A at FC1**
- 28: ICM LN2 pre-cool - temp falling
- 29: ICM 4K cool down**



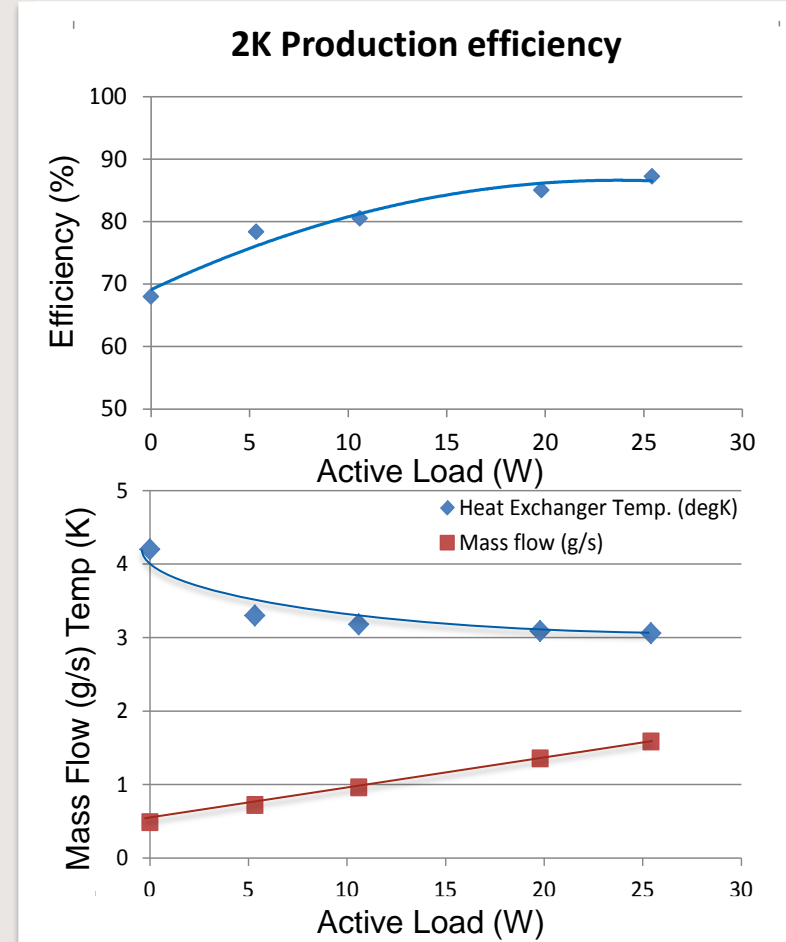
burst disc works!



# ICM Cold test results

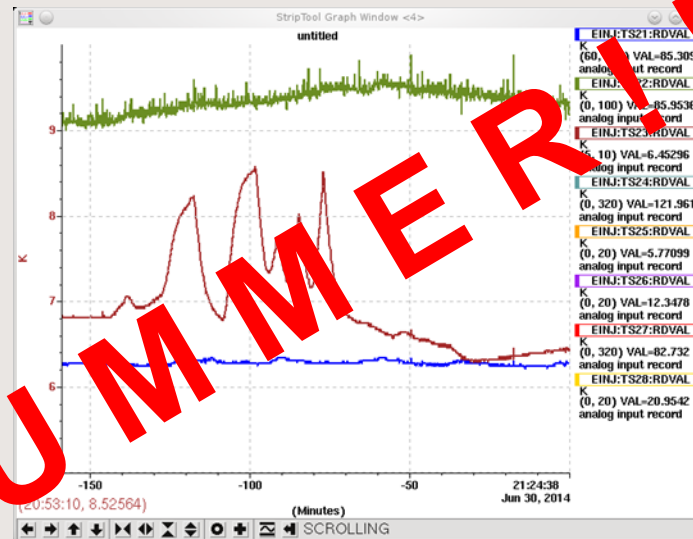
Parameter	Estimated	Measured
4K static load (no syphon)	2	3
4K static load with syphon	6	6.5
2K static load	5	5.5
77K static load	100	<130
2K production efficiency	82%	86%

- ✓ Cryogenic engineering matches design expectations
- ✓ Syphon loop performance characterized – works well – optimized in off-line cryostat tests



# June E-log Highlight: ICM operates

- 18: Sub-atmospheric He pumps started
- 19: **First RF test at 2K**
  - Delivered forward power from 300W to 1.2kW.
  - Shifted cavity frequency to 1300.500MHz using tuner.
  - Locked cavity amplitude in a range of gradients from  $\sim 1\text{-}3\text{MV/m}$ .



- 29: **ICM ARIEL1 Cavity at 5 MV/m c.w. from calorimetry**
  - Limited by field emission from cavity, not couplers

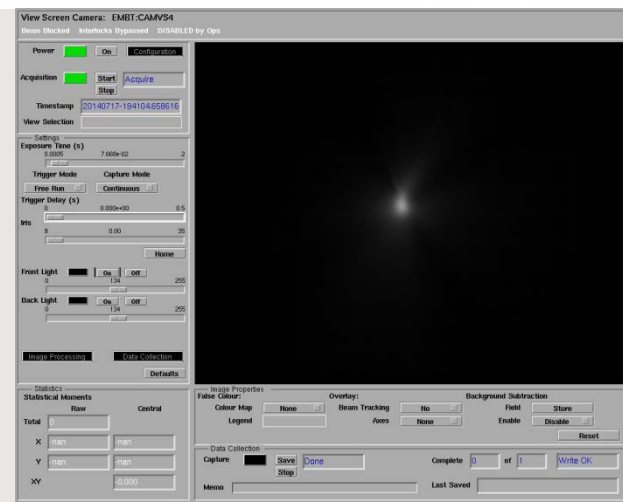
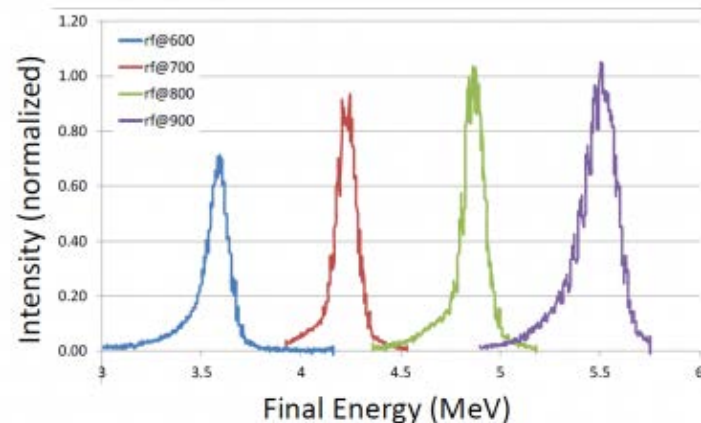


# July E-log Highlight: 5.5 MeV electron beam

- 03: EGUN:BPM1 characterization
- 19: 5.5 MeV beam to EMBD:VS2**
- 23: ICM warm up
- 28: ICM removed from e-hall



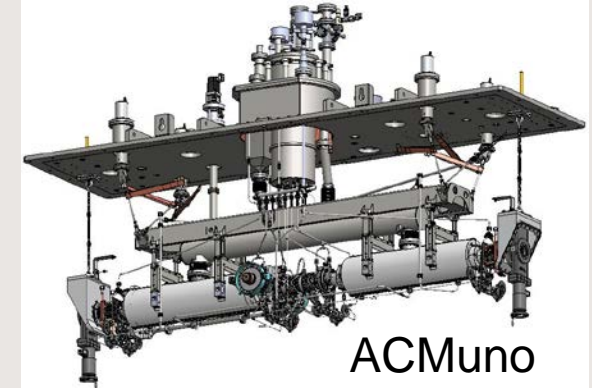
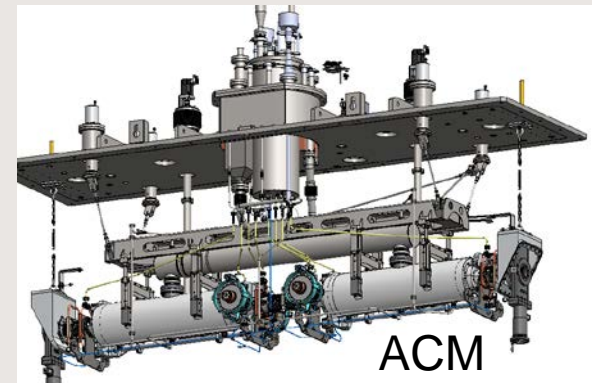
Measured Accelerated Beam



**5.5 MeV beam spot**

# Cryomodule strategy

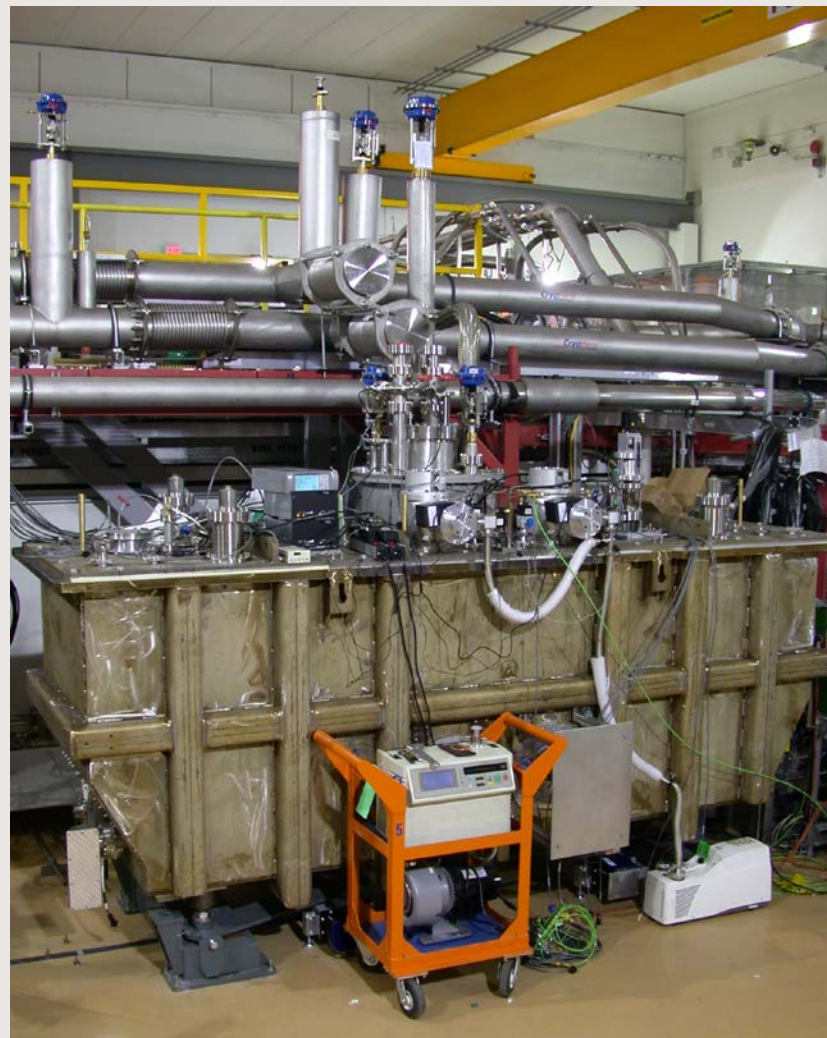
- Jacket and install ARIEL1 in ICM
- Jacket and install ARIEL2 and install in ACM together with a dummy cavity
  - We call the single cavity ACM configuration **ACMuno**
- ACMuno
  - Dummy cavity has all interface features including helium jacket and DC heater
  - All helium piping and beamline interconnects will be final
  - ACMuno allows a full cryogenics engineering test plus two cavity beam acceleration to 25MeV
- Goal - install the cryomodules for a combined beam test in Sept. 2014 – cryogenic engineering and funding milestone



Dummy cavity



ACMuno assembly proceeds through June-Aug.



ACMuno – ready for cooldown Sept. 1



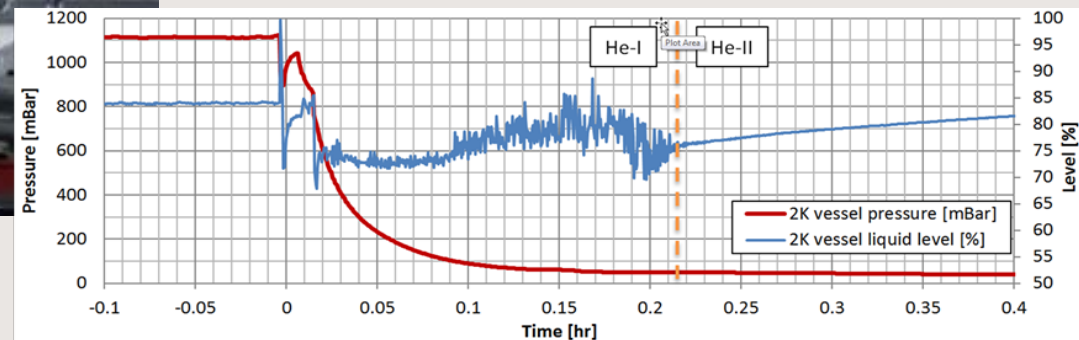
# Extending LHe Distribution

Aug 01: U-turn on Injector LHe distribution system is undone.

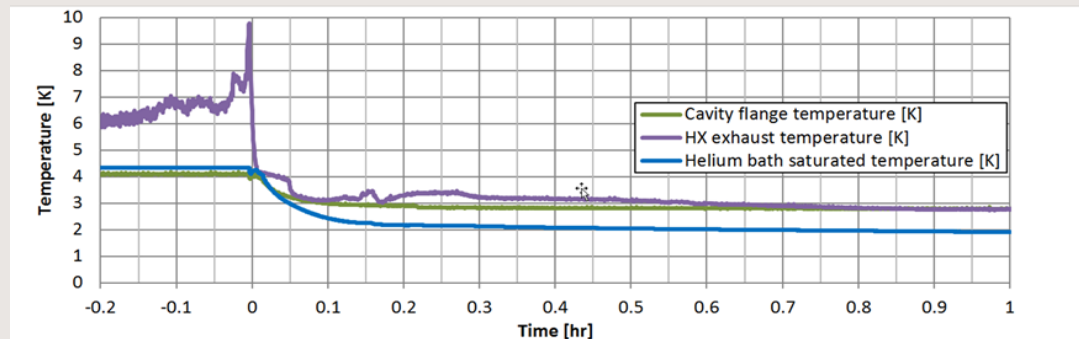
Aug 06: Accelerator supply and return sections craned to e-hall and installed.



- System Components are installed and operational
- Successful cool down of ICM & ACM to 4K
- Sub-Atmospheric Pumping and 2K operation of both CMs



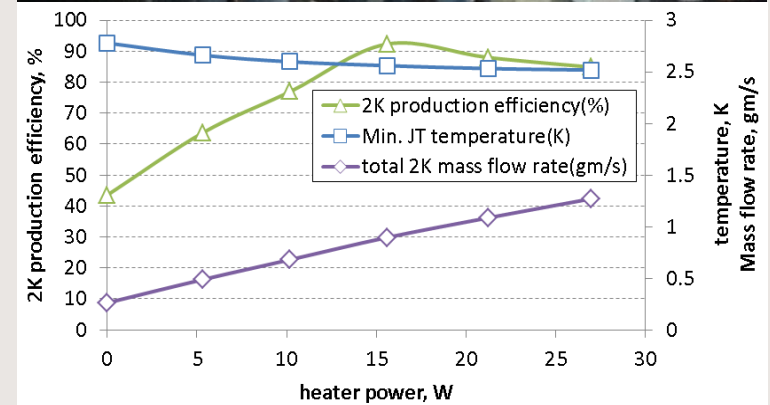
The 1<sup>st</sup> 2K cooldown. The  $\lambda$ -point transition (above), the bath temperature at 2K (below).



# ACMuno First Cold test results

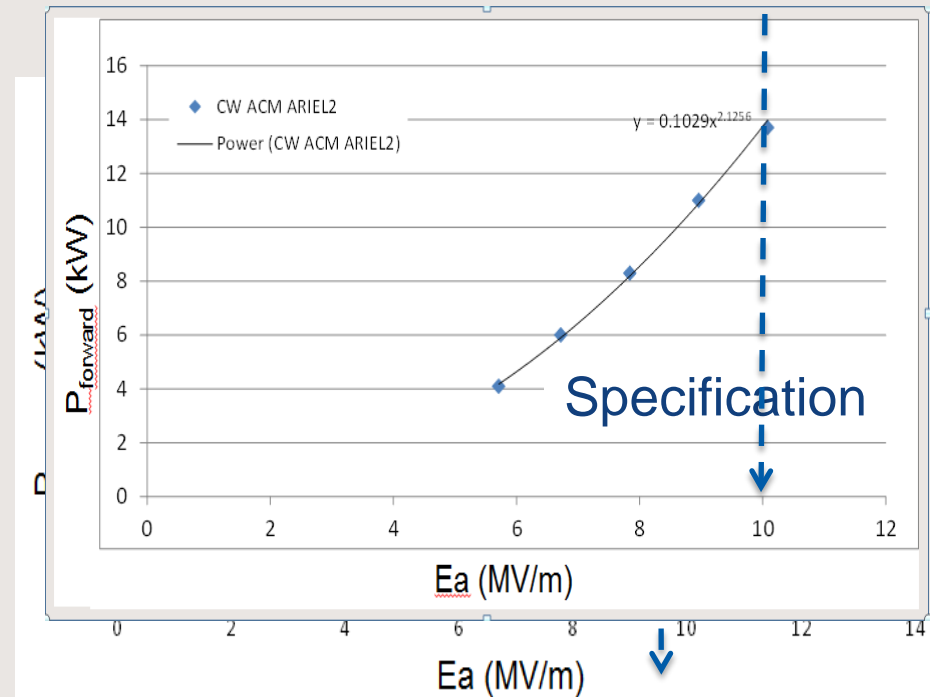
Parameter	Estimated	Measured
4K static load with syphon	>7	6.4
2K static load	>7	6.5
77K static load	100	TBD
2K production efficiency	82%	>90%

- ✓ Cryo-engineering looks good – static loads as expected – cooldown straightforward
- ✓ Initial RF tests – CW performance limited to 7MV/m and pulsed performance to 10MV/m by multipacting in couplers – no field emission to 10MV/m



# Sept E-log Highlight: SRF success

- 10: ACM RF test at 2K – it all works
- 16: ICM is back in e-hall on beamline
- 22: ICM & ACM both at 2 Kelvin
- 23: ICM demonstrates 12 MV/m
- 24: ACM demonstrates 10 MV/m
- 26: Two cold cavities locked at 1.3005GHz
- **Ready for electron beam!**



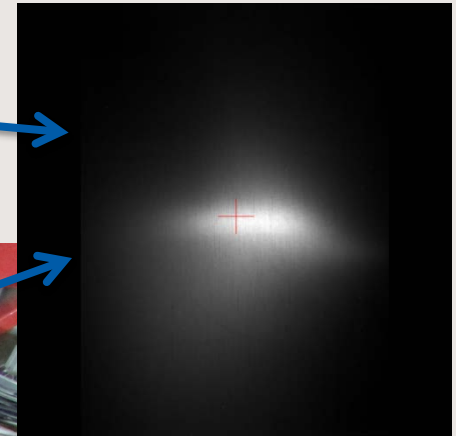
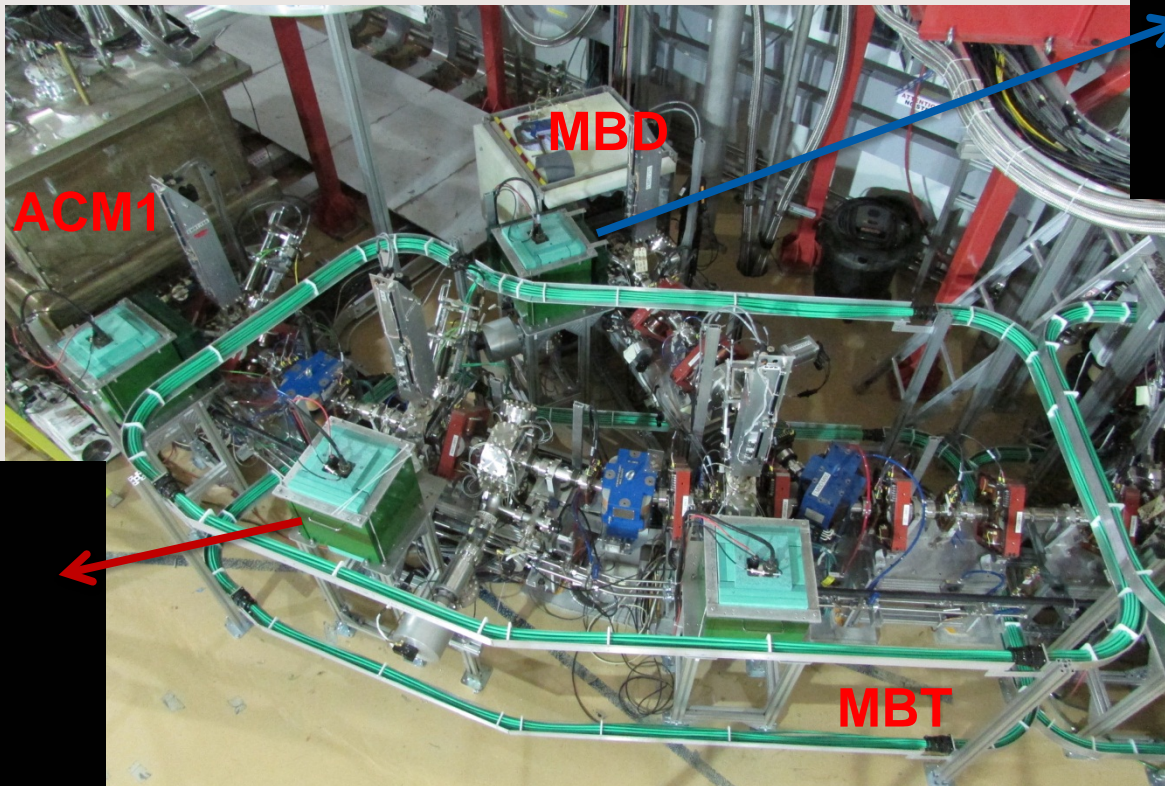
- An amazing week of key milestones and late nights
  - Sept 22 – ICM and ACM cooled to 4K
  - Sept. 23 - ICM/ACM to 2K - ICM to 12MV/m CW
  - Sept. 24 - ACM to 10MV/m CW
  - Sept. 25 – 2<sup>nd</sup> LLRF system commissioned
  - Sept. 26 – two RF systems on-line
  - Sept. 29 – 20MeV acceleration
  - Oct. 1 – 23 MeV acceleration





# Sept E-log Highlight: 10 MeV Injector

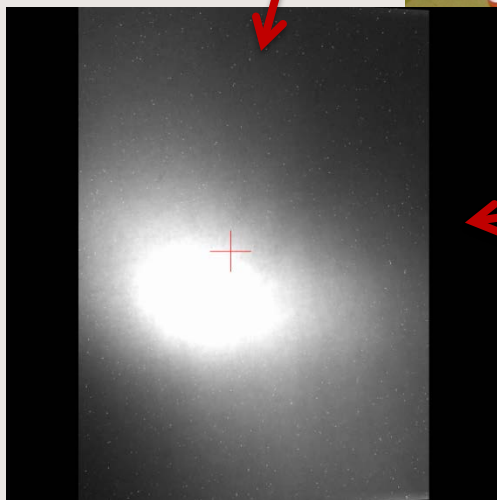
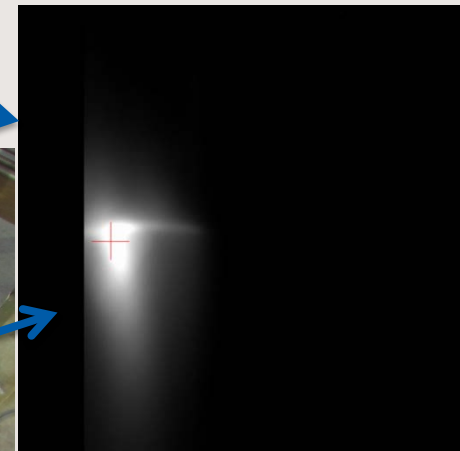
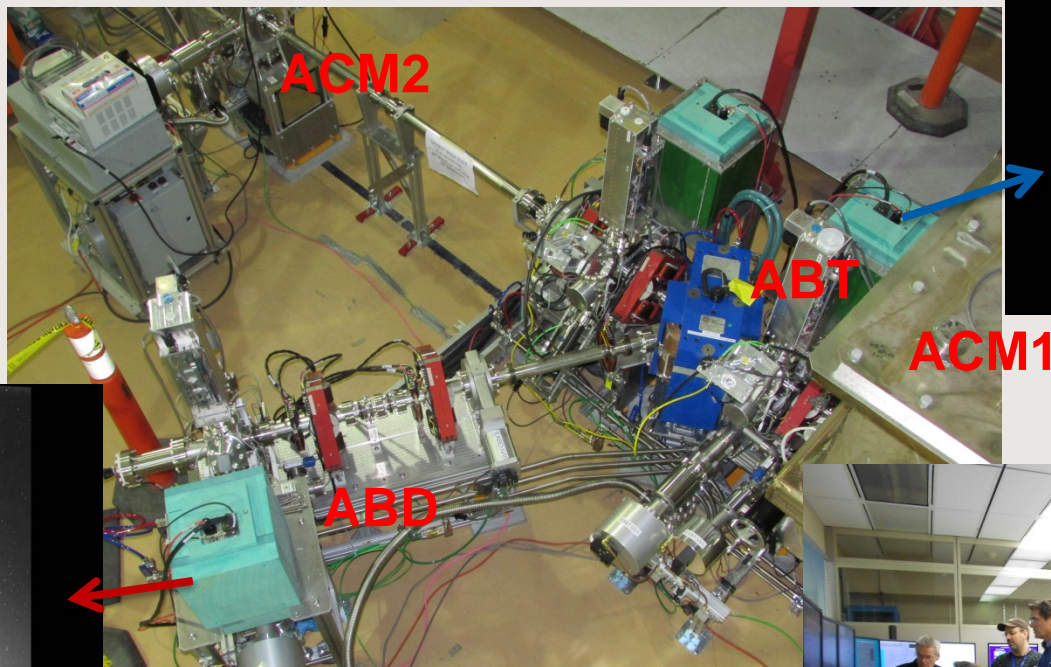
- 29-23:28: 10.6 MeV beam on MBD:VS2
- 29-23:46: 10.6 MeV beam on MBT:VS6



# Sept E-log Highlight: 10 MeV Accelerator\*

\* Single cavity

- 30-00:06: 10.6 MeV on EABT:VS1
- 30-01:35: 20 MeV beam on EABD:VS2



**October 1<sup>st</sup>:**  
**22.9 MeV @ ABD**





# Overall Commissioning Timeline



July 19  
5.5 MeV  
beam @  
MBD

July 28  
ICM moved to  
ISAC for cavity  
refurbishment

Sept 12  
ACM @ 7  
MV/m c.w.  
@ 2K

Sept 24  
ACM @ 10  
MV/m c.w.



May 01  
ICM in  
e-hall

June 26  
ICM @ 5.5  
MV/m  
Limited by  
field emission

August 29  
ACMUno in e-hall  
on beamline

Sept 16  
ICM in  
e-hall on  
beamline

Sept 23  
ICM @ 12  
MV/m c.w.  
Limited by  
coupler

Sept 30  
20 MeV  
beam @  
ABD





**All Done!**



# E-linac Cryogenic System Summary

- Project accomplished both on budget and on schedule
- E-linac cryogenic system capable to support 1.3 GHz superconducting linac operation at 2K
- Air Liquid cryoplant of ~800W provides LHe at 4.5K
- 2K is achieved by onboard 4K/2K conversion and sub-atmospheric pumping (31.2 mTorr)
- Main challenge for 24/7 beam production is potential impurities due to leaks into S/A part of the system; solution:
  - Hermetically sealed S/A pumps with canned motors
  - Online purity multipoint monitoring
  - Full S/A He gas flow (up to 15 g/s) rated purifier
  - Enhanced gas management and oil removal systems of the ALAT cryoplant



# On a Larger Scale

- **Mission Impossible accomplished:**
  - All CFI-funded equipment installed
  - Injector & Accelerator cavities establish  $\geq 10\text{MV/m}$
  - 23 MeV Electron beam - 25 MeV in reach
- **Future Activities**
  - Complete tuning dump installation
  - Send e-beam to HDT/D
  - Raise beam power to 10 kW c.w., 100kW pulsed
  - ACM duo, raise energy to 30 MeV
  - Tunnel beamline build out FY15/16



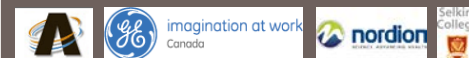
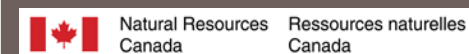
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# Thank you!

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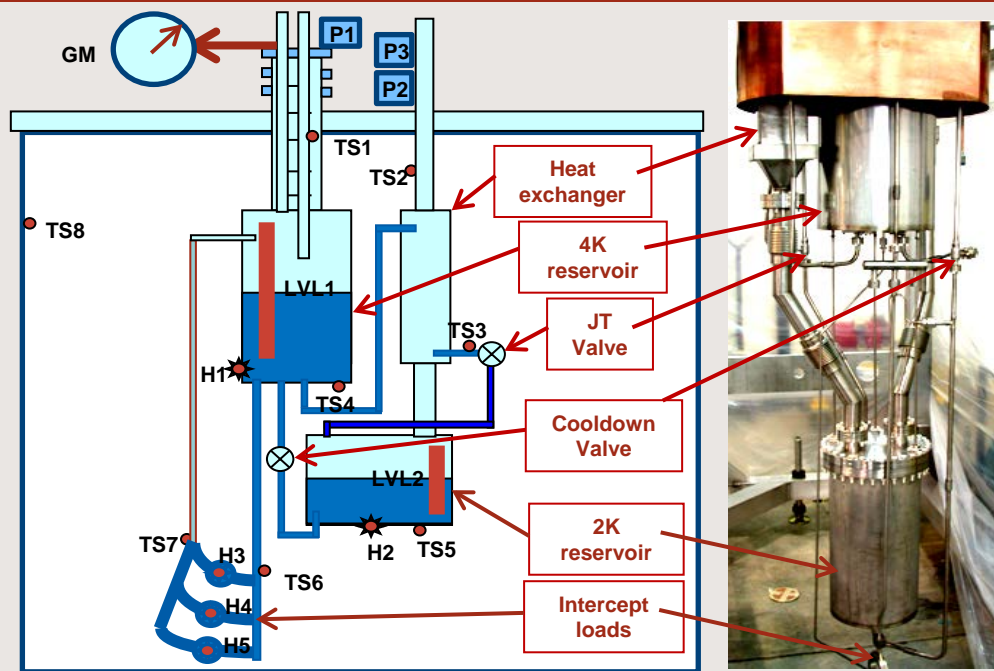
# 4K/2K Cryogenics unit test configuration

## •Test 1

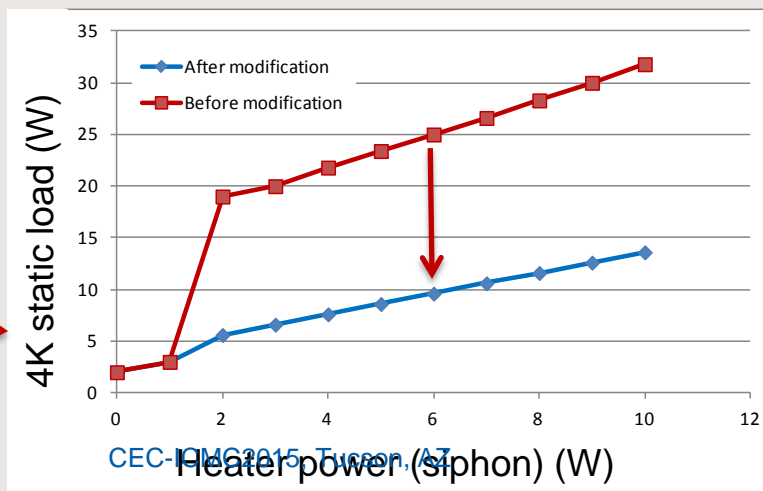
- Measured static load of 4K (2W) and 2K (0.5W) reservoirs
- Measured efficiency of 2K conversion of 66% at 0.5 g/s mass flow
- Measured 4K siphon circuit efficiency – extra heat load caused by convection in 4K reservoir ~15-20W

## •Test 2 – after modifying siphon circuit

- siphon loop now well behaved with static load of 1.6W



Add siphon exhaust guide tube and teflon funnel in 4K reservoir - reduces convective load



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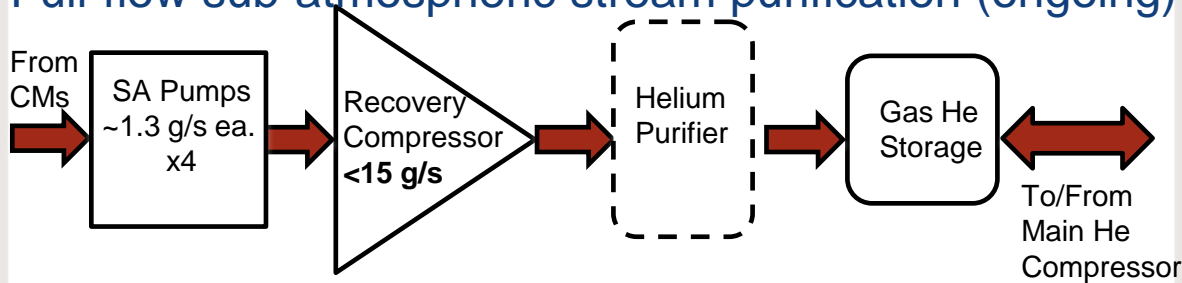
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# Cleanliness Next to Godliness

- Reliable operation of Cryosystem depends on low level of impurities in process gas (He). Typically ~1-3ppm.
- Sub-atmospheric line is the main source of impurities

## Full-flow sub-atmospheric stream purification (ongoing)

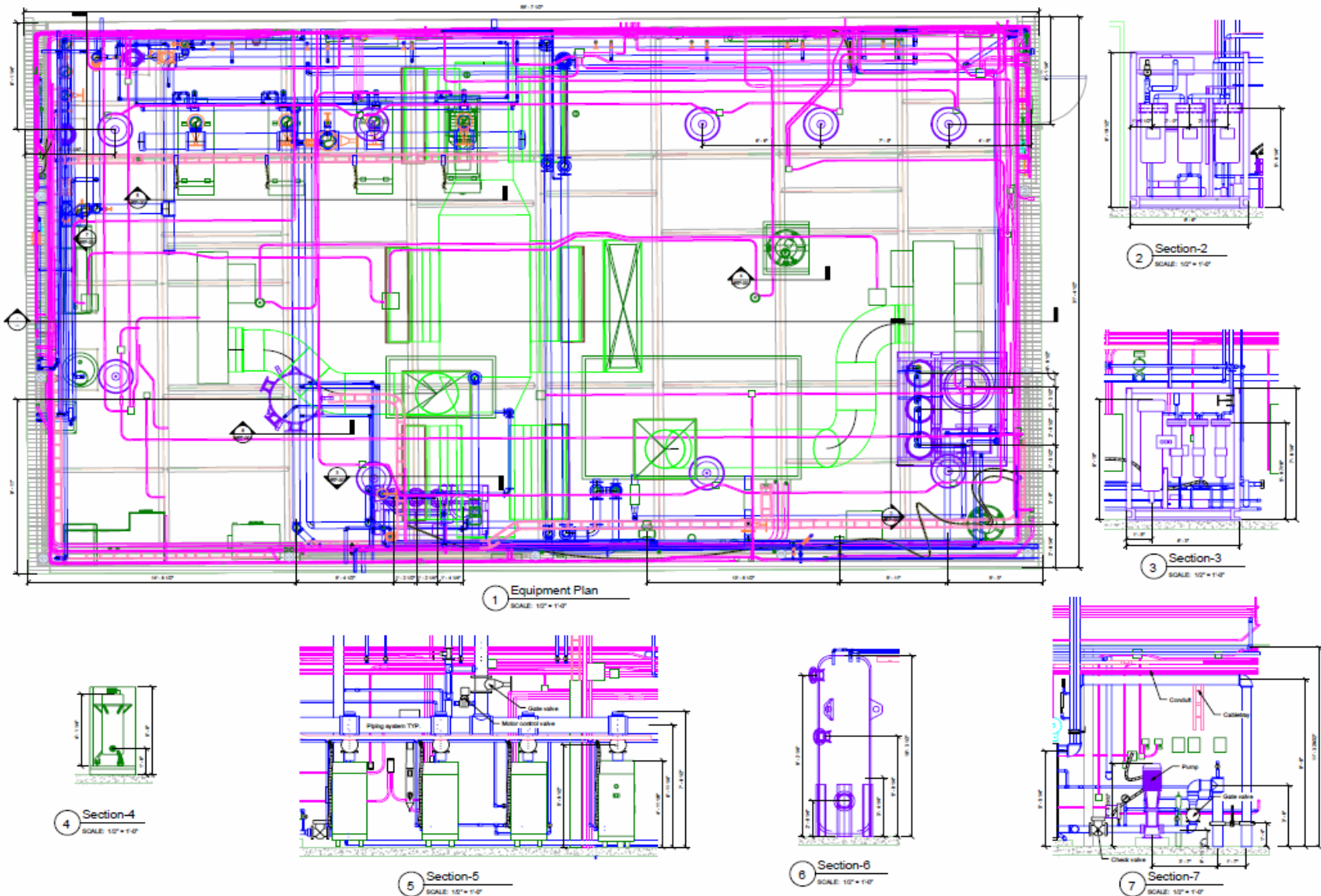


## Permanent Solution

- Purifier is on track:** equipment installed, He piping, and LN2 lines are connected.
- Commissioning is scheduled for mid-October upon controls completion



# Some Creative catching-up



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**Plan and Sections Sample Drawing**

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MEP-001

Plan and Sections  
Sample Drawing

# Progress in SRF Systems

- Progress in the past 2 years
  - Cryogenics acceptance tests complete
  - Two klystrons and HV supplies installed and commissioned
  - ICM and ACM assembled, installed and commissioned
  - First beam acceleration demonstrated



January 2014



Sept. 2014



# SRF Summary

- ✓ The ICM1 and ACMuno cold tests have demonstrated that the cryo-engineering is robust and matches specifications
- ✓ ICM1 and ACMuno cavities meet specifications
- Plan to operate each cavity at 13MV/m for 25MeV beam tests through to the end of 2015

