

# HiRadMat at CERN SPS

A test facility for Accelerator Components with High Power Beam Pulses

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# Overview

- Motivation
- Layout and features of the facility
- Experiments
- Conclusions



# From Motivation to Proposal

- Beam intensity increases in particle accelerators
  - materials of near-beam equipment must be able to withstand the higher energy deposition/radiation
- Testing in an existing facility is difficult/inconvenient
  - Typically an accelerator is already used for physics
  - Limited in access for installation works
  - Limited in space along the beam line
  - Missing infrastructure
  - Limited in beam time

There was the request for a **dedicated** test facility:

- **HighRadMat - High Radiation to Materials**
  - Dedicated facility to study the impact of **intense pulsed beams** on materials investigating effects from heat & radiation with increasing intensity.
  - Thermal management (heating) & thermal shock (pressure waves)
  - Radiation damage to materials - change of mechanical properties

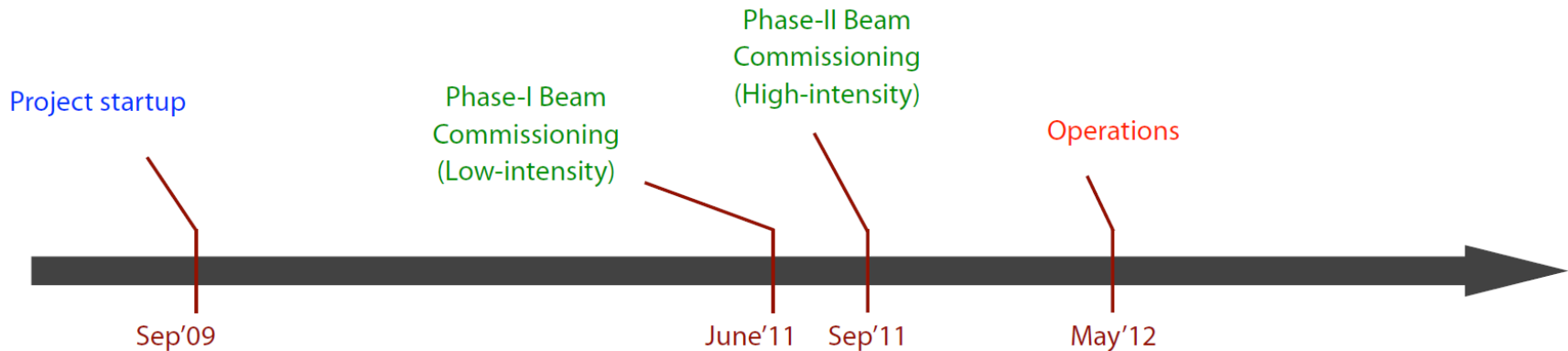
Facility target:

- provide irradiation area with beams similar to LHC injection regime
- with scanning possibilities in intensity and spot size
- Designed for single-pulse experiments (long-term irradiation is excluded for operational aspects)

Application targets:

- machine components, protection devices, targets, material studies, detector testing, electronics

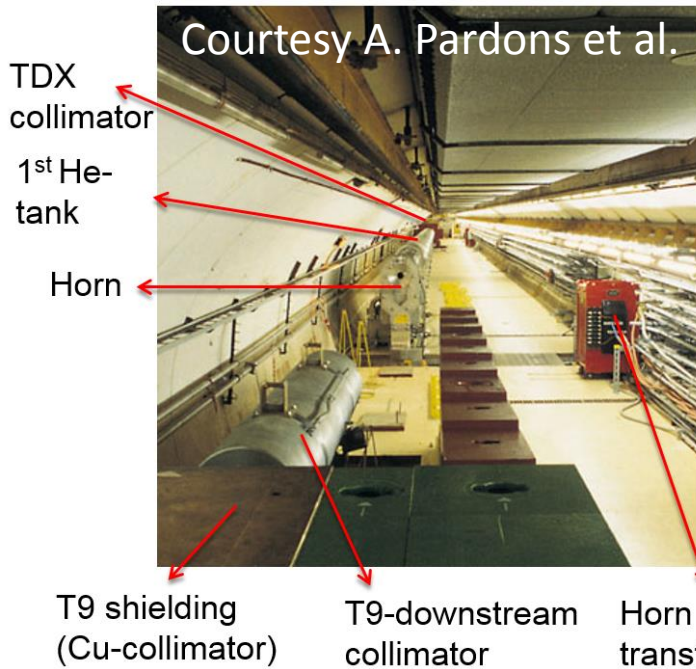
# Project Timeline



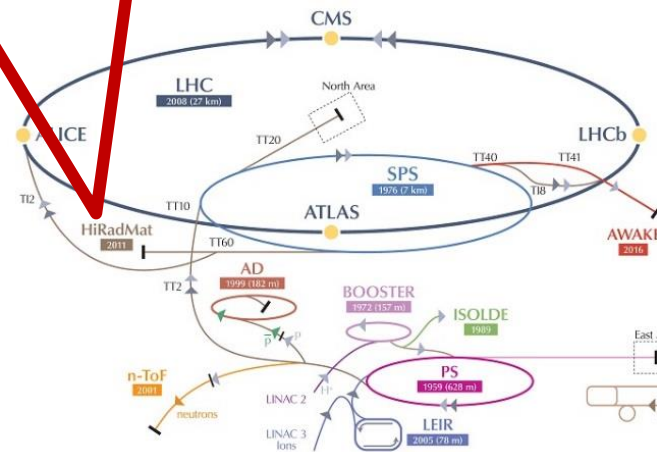
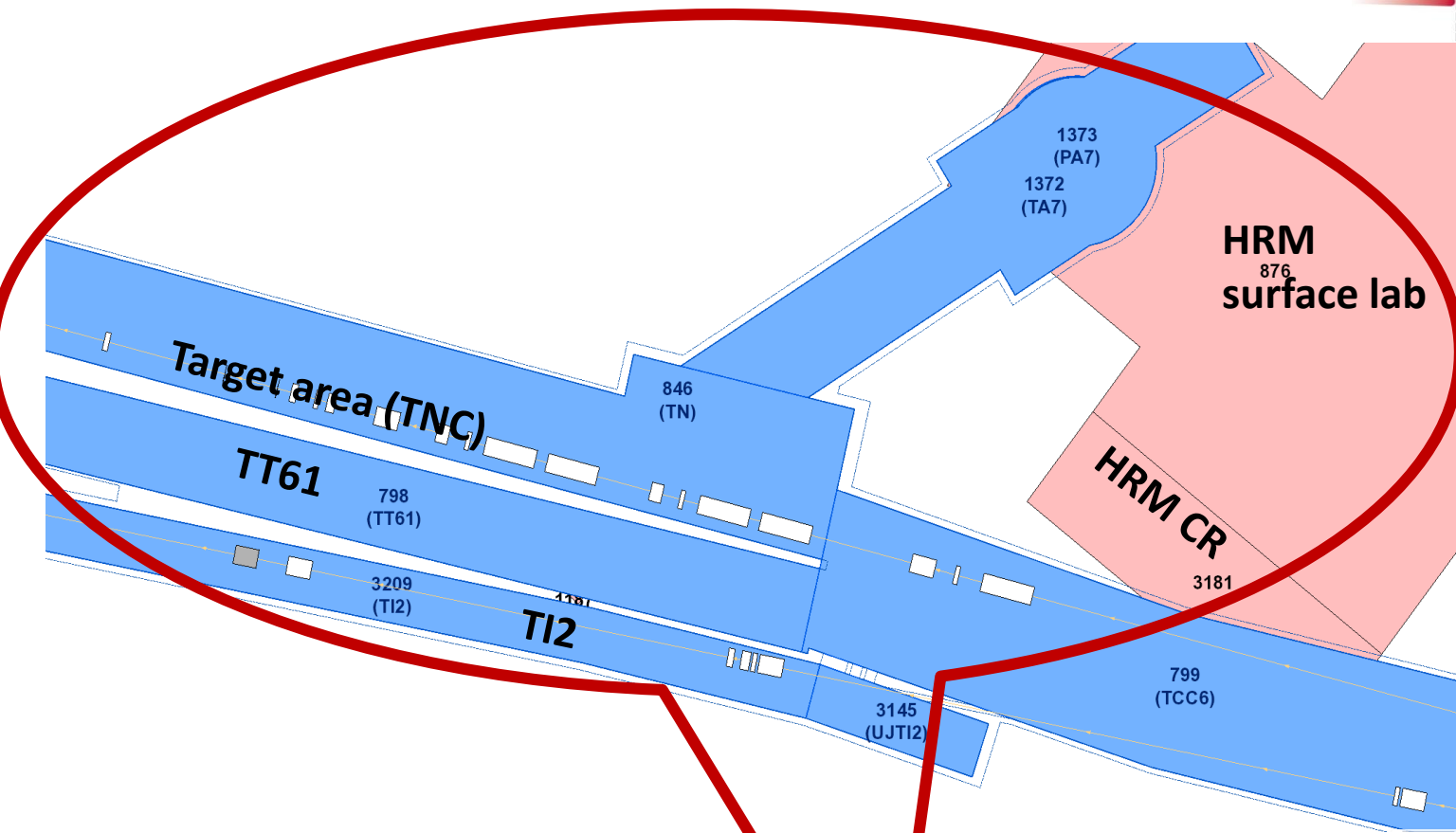
- Installed in place of former WANF  
proposed 2009 by R. Assmann and I. Efthymiopoulos
- Core team from EN/EA (formerly EN/MEF)

# WANF dismantling

- WANF operation until 1998
- Dismantling in 2010



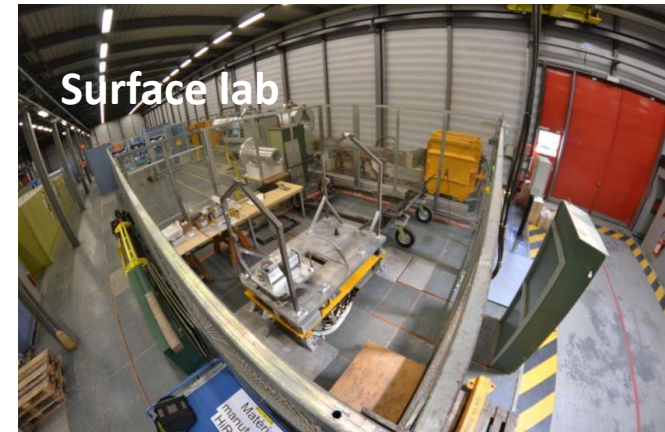
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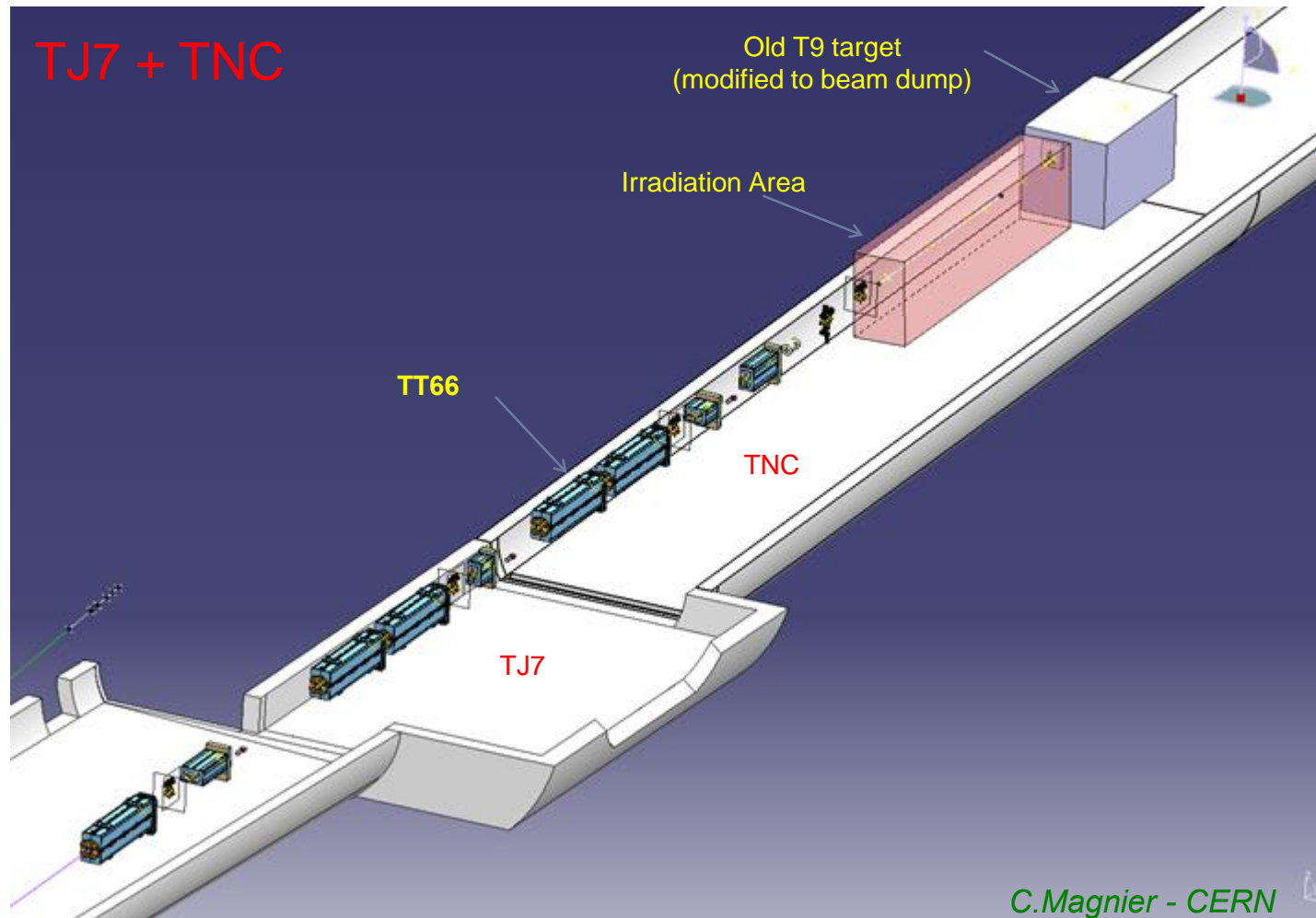
# Facility services

## Provision of dedicated irradiation infrastructure

- Preparation lab at surface
  - Same interfaces as in the tunnel
- Control room
  - With pre-installed cabling for signal/HV/Ethernet to TNC
  - 140 meter cable distance to TNC
- Irradiation position
  - Standardized installation (remote)
  - General supplies (water, electricity, cabling)
  - Beam monitoring
- Assistance during design, preparation, installation, operation and follow-up
- Advising in safety matters and radiation-protection



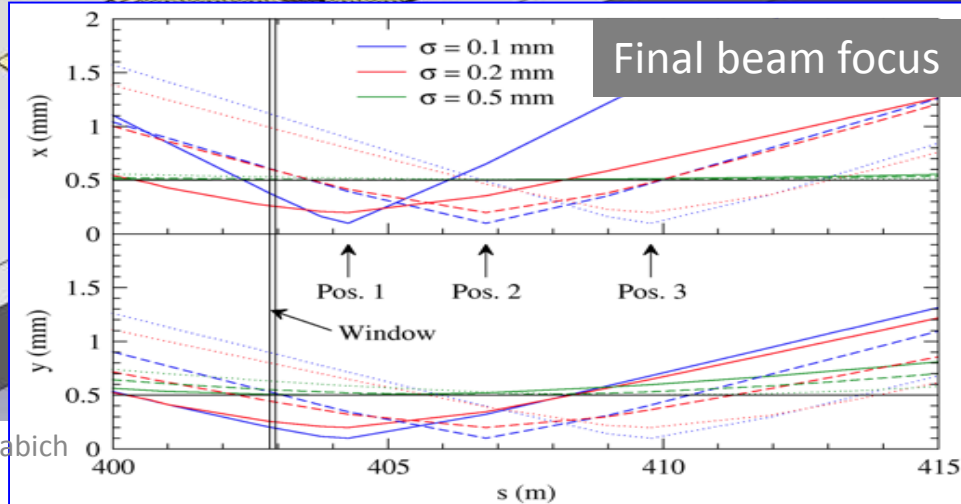
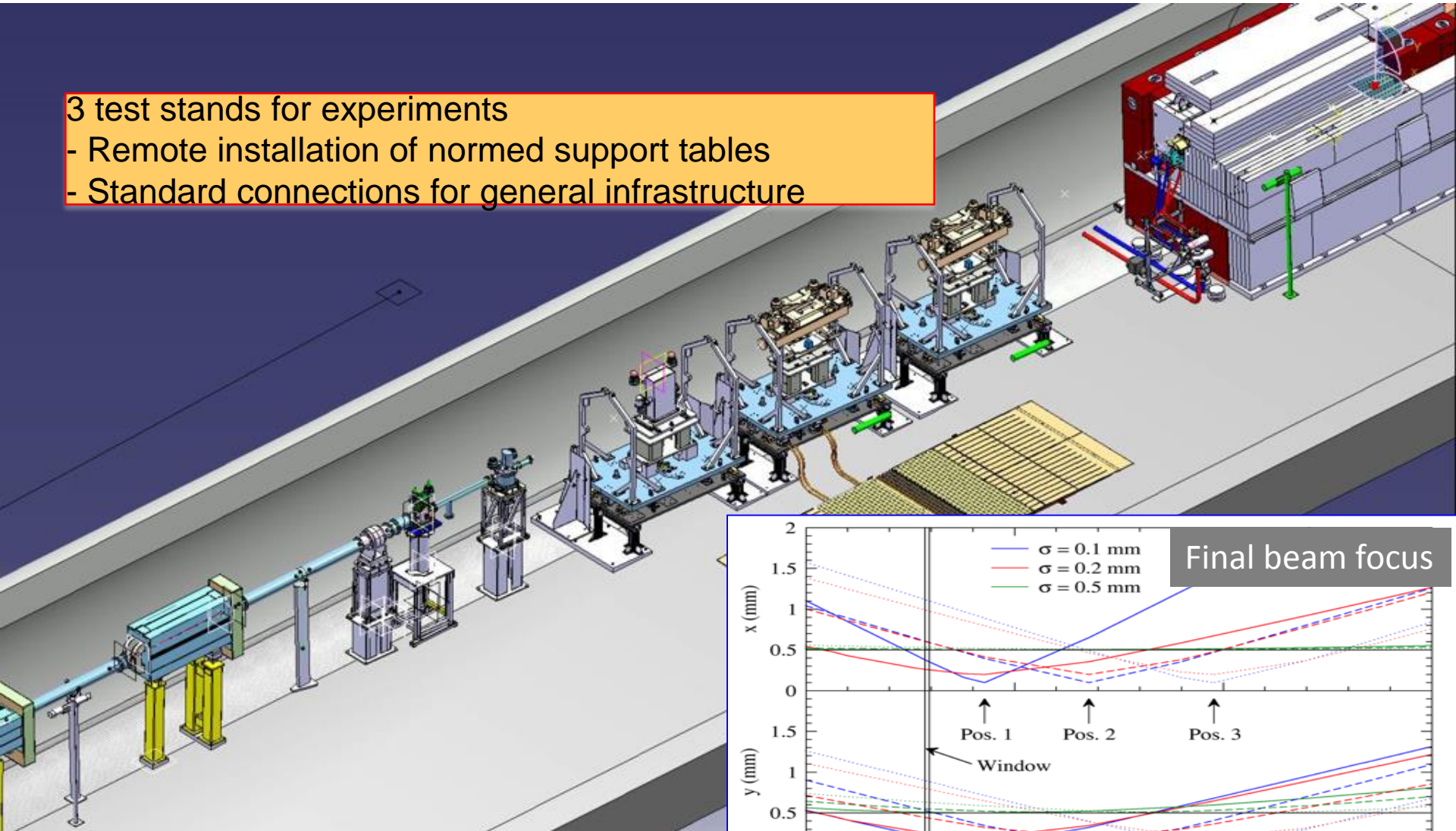
# Layout Target Area TNC (1)



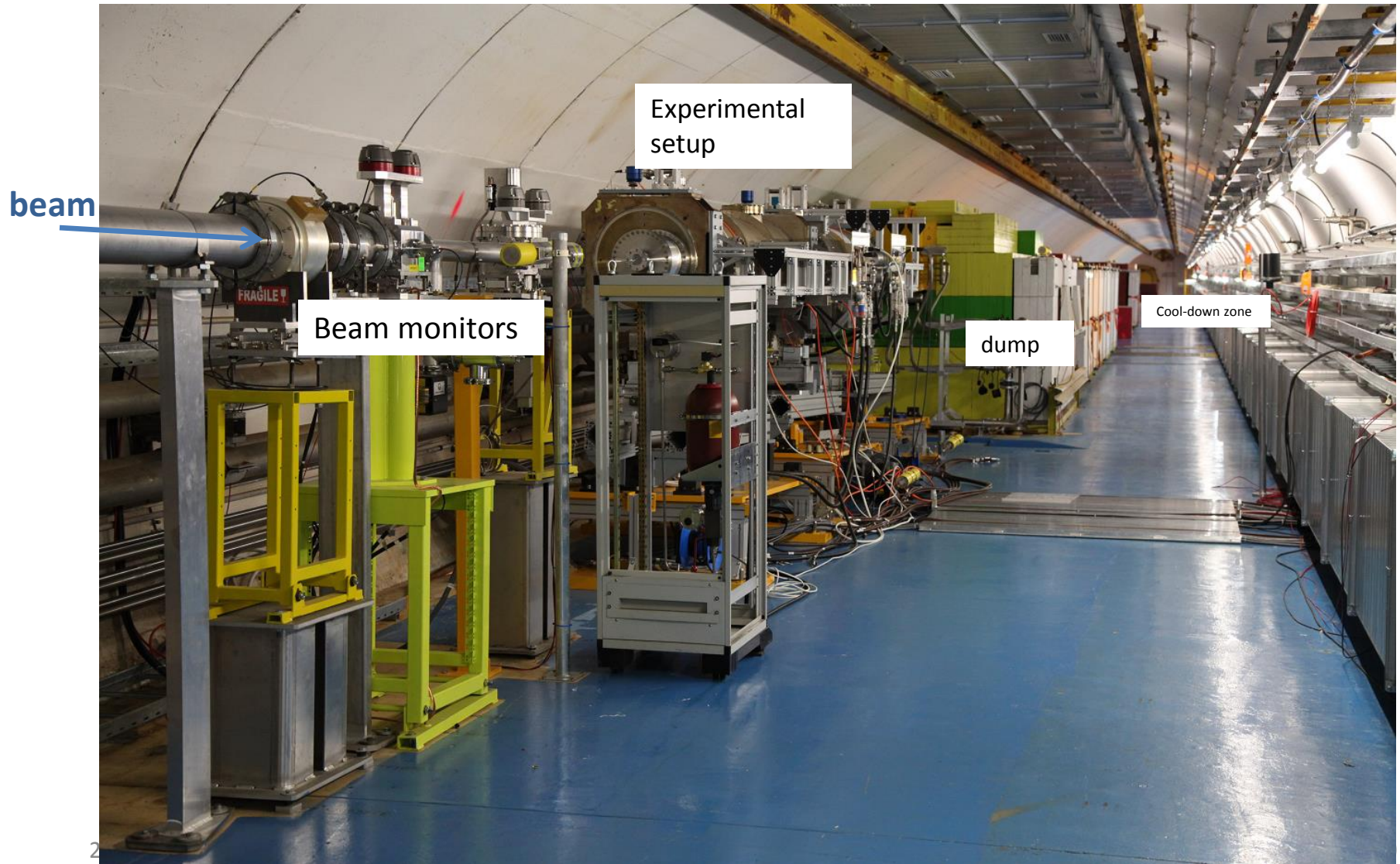


# Layout Target Area TNC (2)

- 3 test stands for experiments
- Remote installation of normed support tables
  - Standard connections for general infrastructure



# Target area TNC



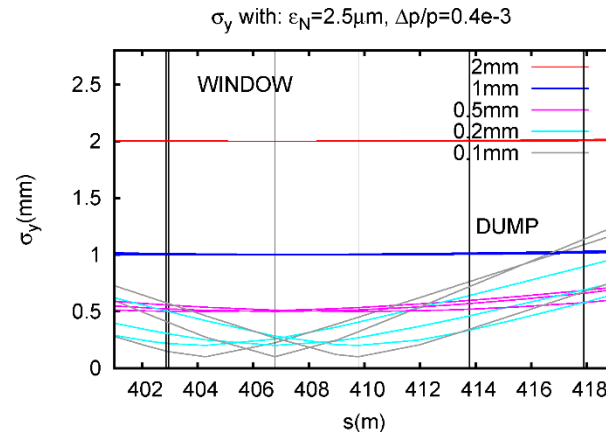
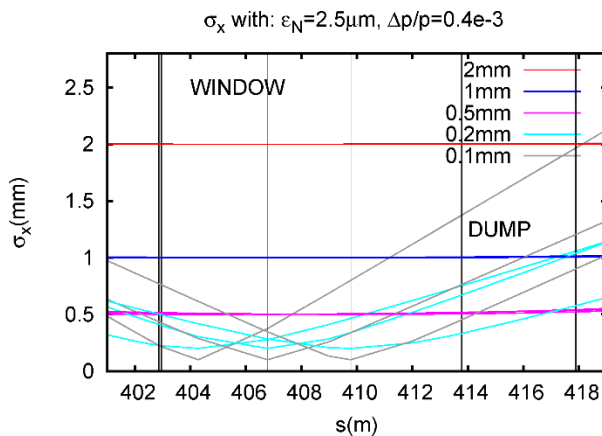
# Beam Parameters

Similar to LHC injection

	Protons	Heavy ions ( $Pb^{82+}$ )
Beam energy	440 GeV	173 GeV/u
Bunches/pulse (max)	288	52
Pulse intensity (max)	$3 \cdot 10^{13}$	$4 \cdot 10^9$
Bunch spacing	25, 50, 75 or 150 ns	100 ns
Pulse length (max)	7.2 $\mu$ s	5.2 $\mu$ s
Beam spot	variable around 1 mm <sup>2</sup>	
Pulse energy (max)	3.4 MJ	21 kJ

Variable intensity

Variable beam focus



Courtesy C. Hessler

# Organisation structure

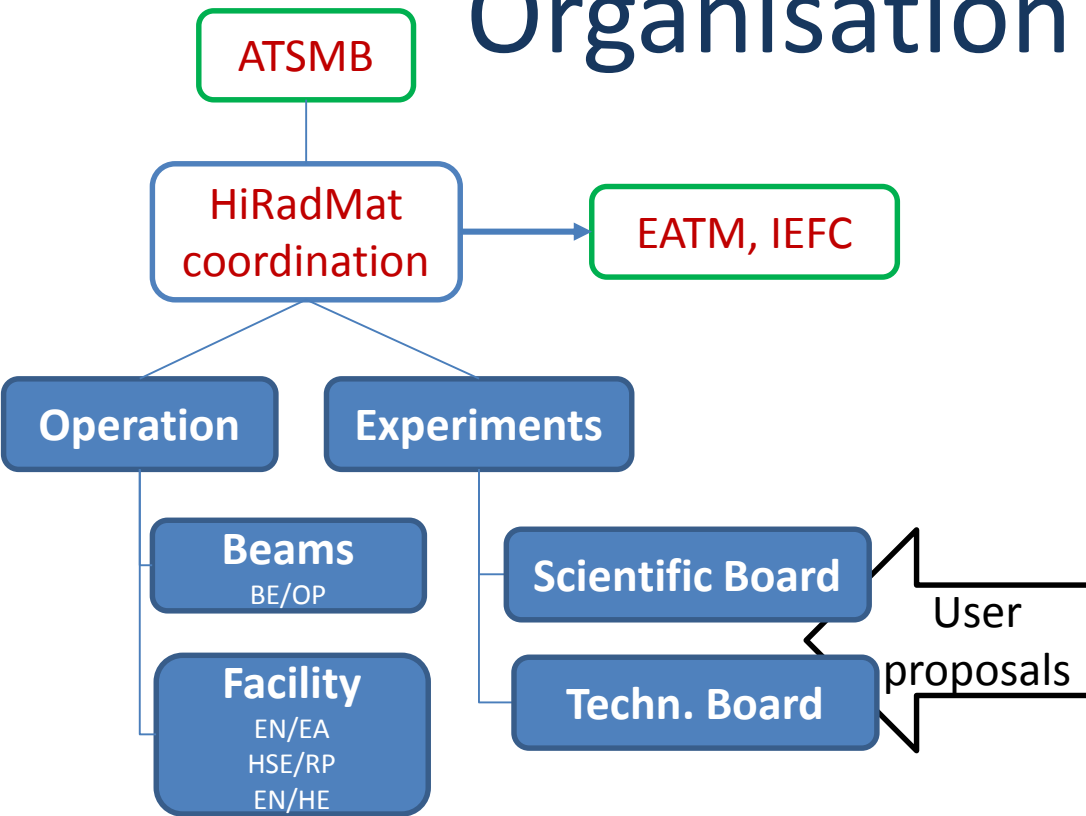
## Beam time application

Primary contact [hiradmat.sps@cern.ch](mailto:hiradmat.sps@cern.ch)

- Experiment proposals are recommended by the HiRadMat Scientific Board
  - Scientific interest of the experiment, feasibility and post-irradiation analysis
  - Expected results and publications to the interest of the scientific community
- Approval validated by the HiRadMat Technical Board
  - Integration, operational and safety aspects, radiation protection and waste management

Board meeting about twice a year.

More information on <http://cern.ch/hiradmat>



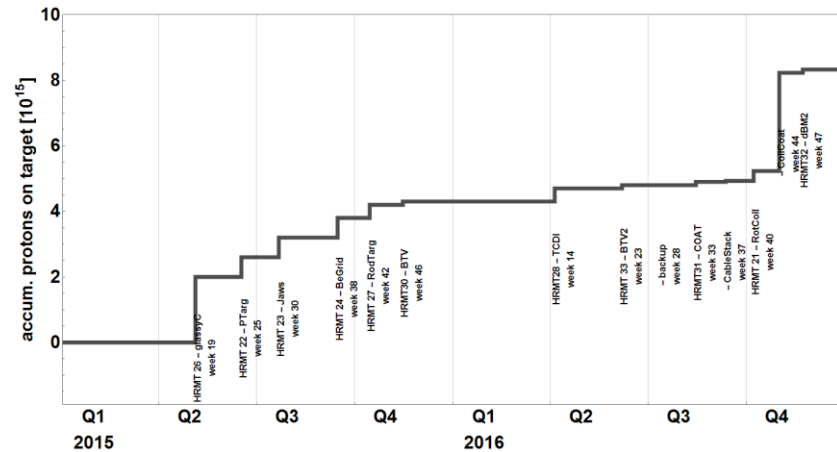
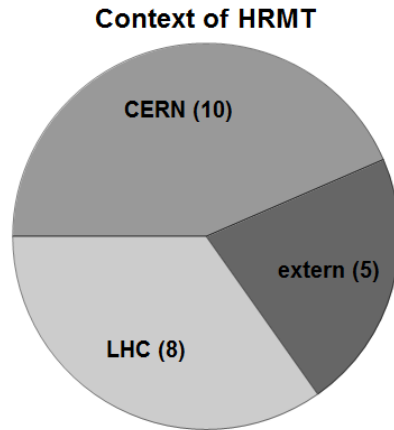
Regular meetings for daily operation:

- Experimental Area management with CERN groups
- Users meeting (with video conferencing)

HRM user e-mail list: [hiradmat-users@cern.ch](mailto:hiradmat-users@cern.ch)

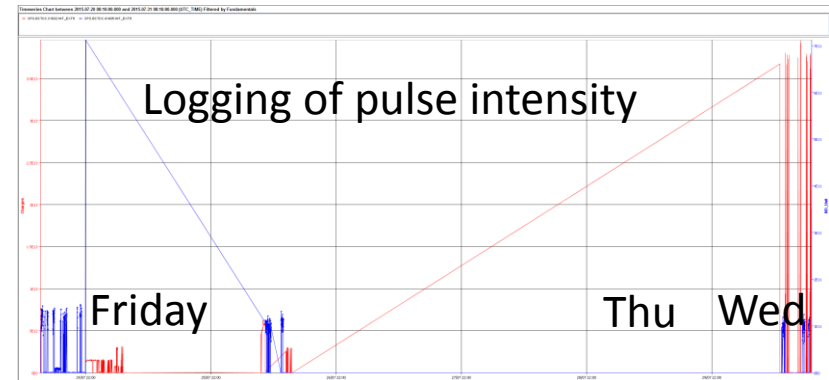
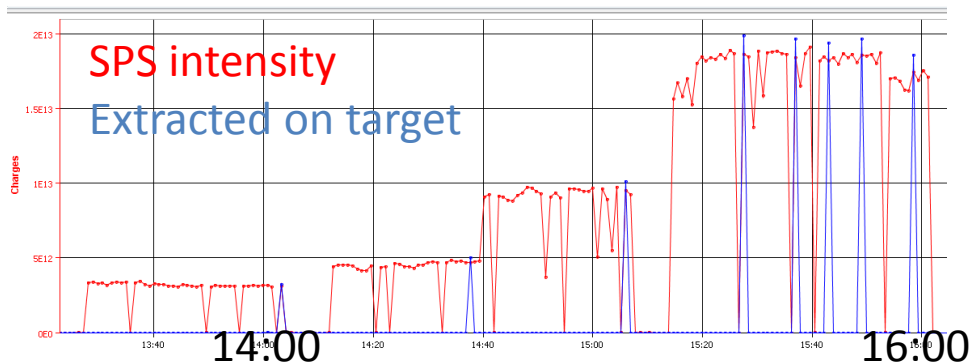
# HRM beam program

Target R&D
Wthimble - granular target technology
Ptarg
RIB target
RodTarg - AD target
Collimation (LHC and injectors)
Crystal collimation
tunneling experiment
Rotating collimator
Transfer lines collimators (3x)
SPS ejection septum protection
material studies
Prototyping (LHC and injector types)
<b>Detectors</b>
BLM - beam loss monitors
Optical microphone
Rpinst - RP Instrumentation R&D
diamond detectors
BTV beam monitors
More ...
GlassyC
Beryllium specimen
Cryogenic elements



## Single pulse experiments

- Typically 100 pulses per experiment (10 exp./year)
  - Lasting a few shifts per experiment
- Limitation on air activation
- Allow personnel access to irradiation area

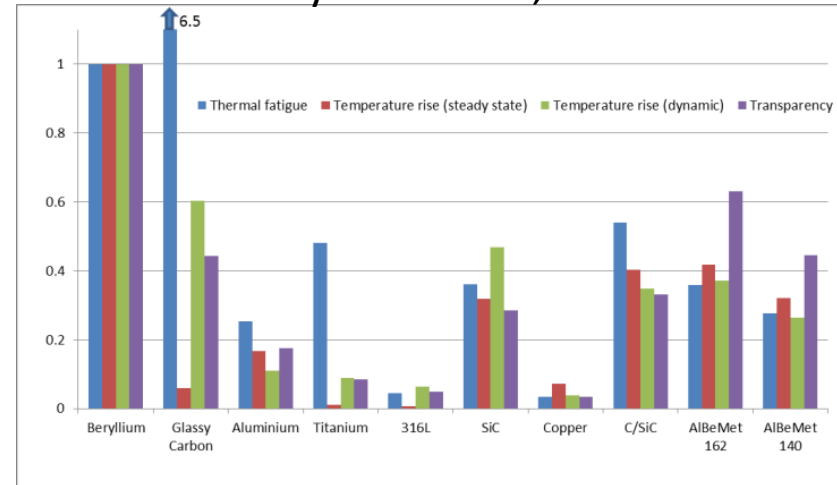
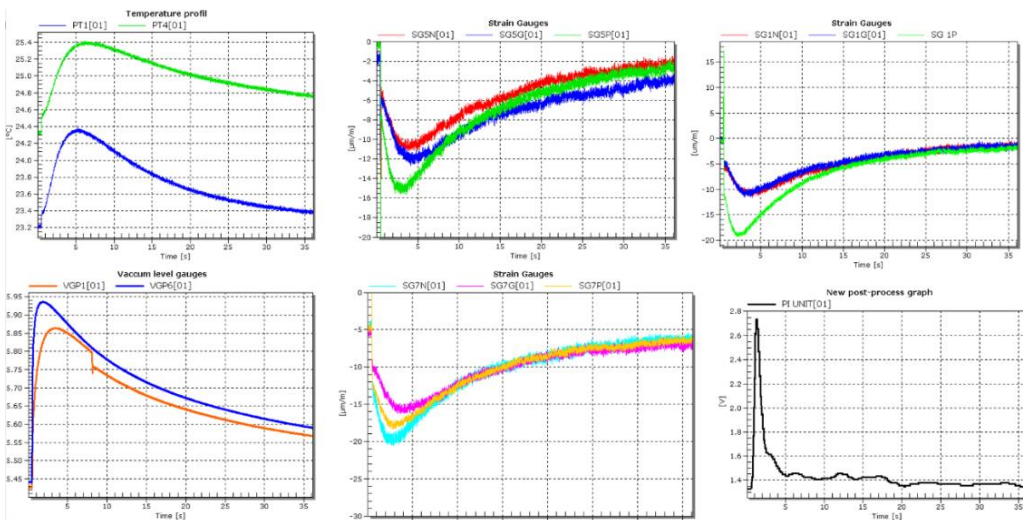


# GlassyC experiment

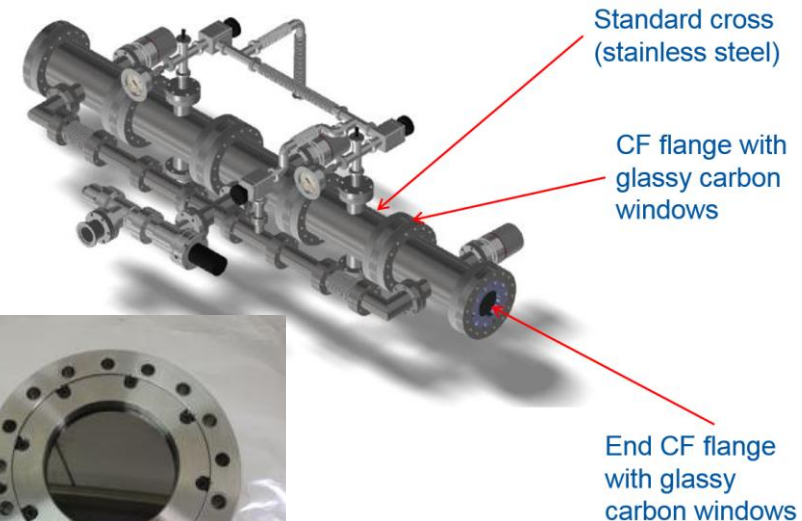
Courtesy: C. Garion, L. Baudin et al.

## New material for vacuum windows

- Glassy Carbon obtained by the pyrolysis at high temperature of a highly reticulated resin
- 98 % (weight) of carbon and 2% of oxygen.



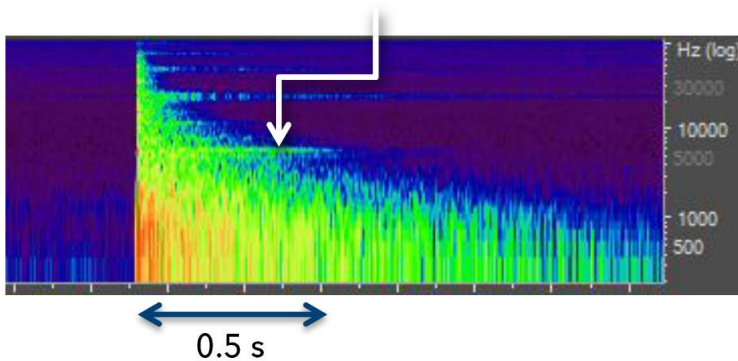
- Online monitoring using strain gauges and temperature sensors
- Post-irradiation evaluation (PIE) ongoing: microscopy



# MicOpt: First data view

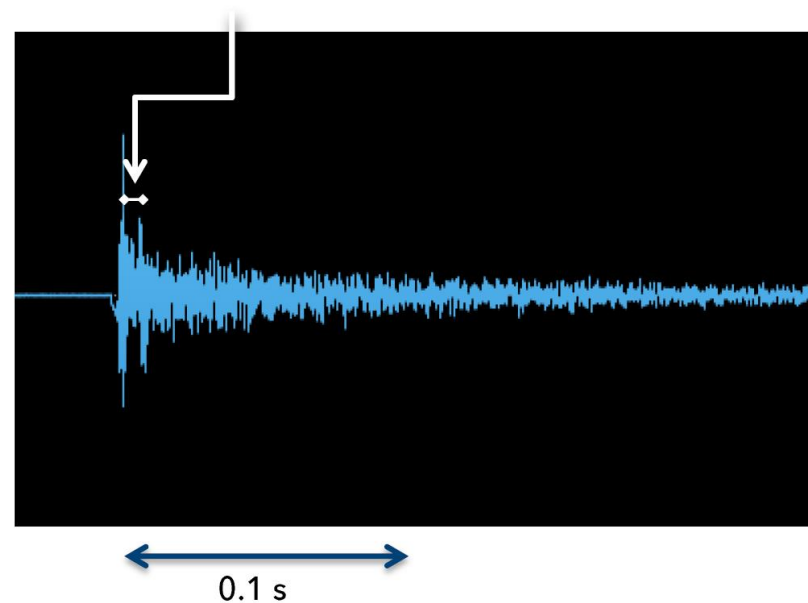
## Spectrogram (20Hz - 100 kHz)

material resonance



## Time signal

6ms reflection delay  
(target is placed 1.05m away from tunnel wall)



Courtesy:  
Balthasar Fischer, Xarion (AT)  
Daniel Deboy, KUG

- ❖ Impacts are clearly detected by Optical Microphone
- ❖ Peak sound pressure: 166 Pa; 138 dB SPL (tentative!)

- Thorough analysis:
  - radiation effects?
  - correlation between intensity and sound pressure level?
  - sound time-of-arrival for location detection?

### Experimental setup



Experiment table

Optical microphone #1  
(target area)

Optical microphone #2  
(beam dump)

# BPM diamond detectors

Development of

- Online monitoring of **beam position at experiment**
- Measuring of beam halo on four quadrants

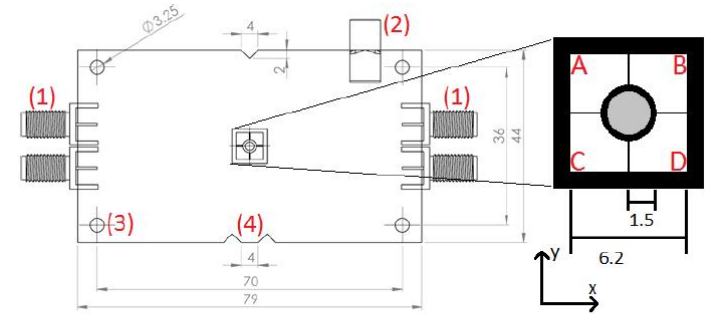


FIGURE 3.2: A schematical view of a detector module, with units in *mm*. Each gold pad has a side length of 3 *mm* and a separation to one another of 0.2 *mm*. The hole of the gold plating has a radius of 1.5 *mm*.

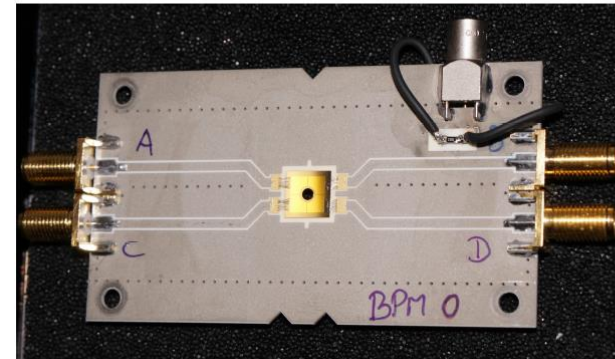
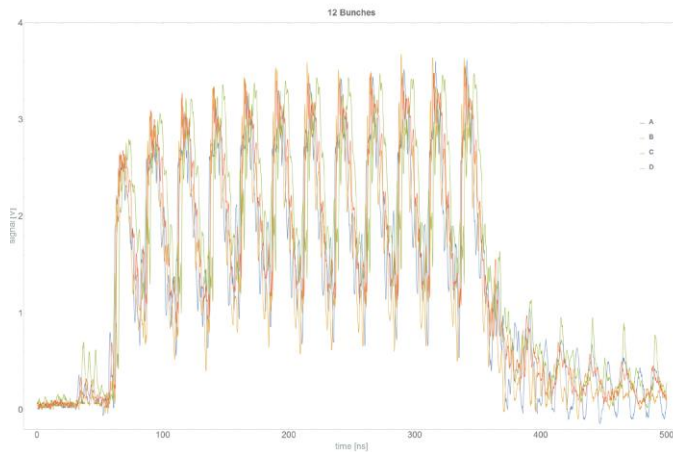
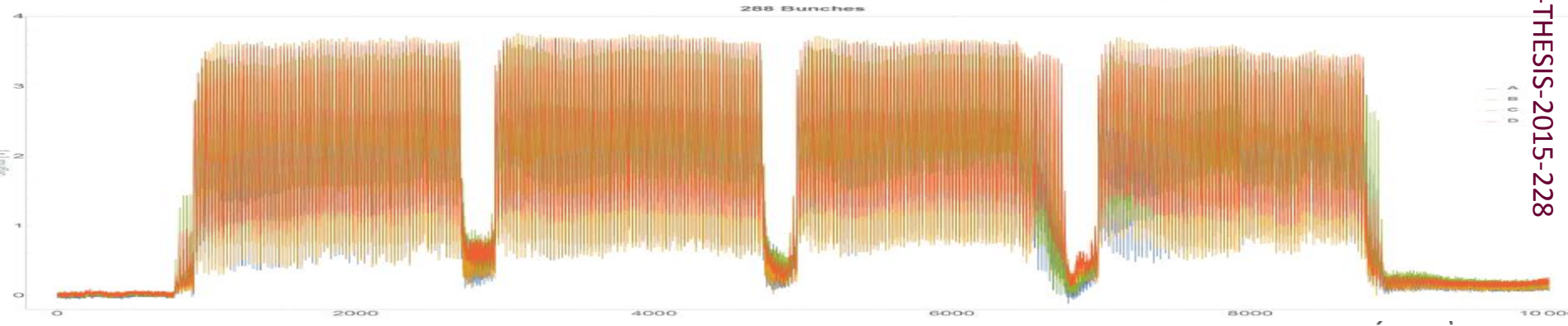


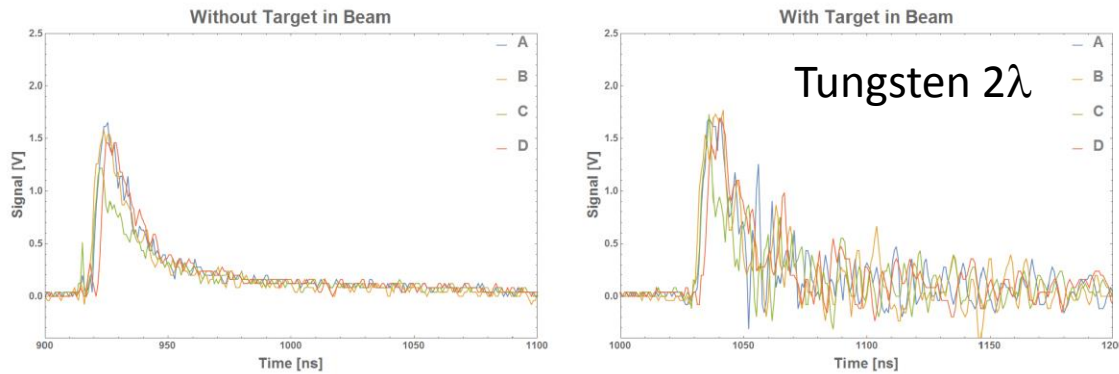
FIGURE 3.3: A photograph of the frontside of one of the BPMs.



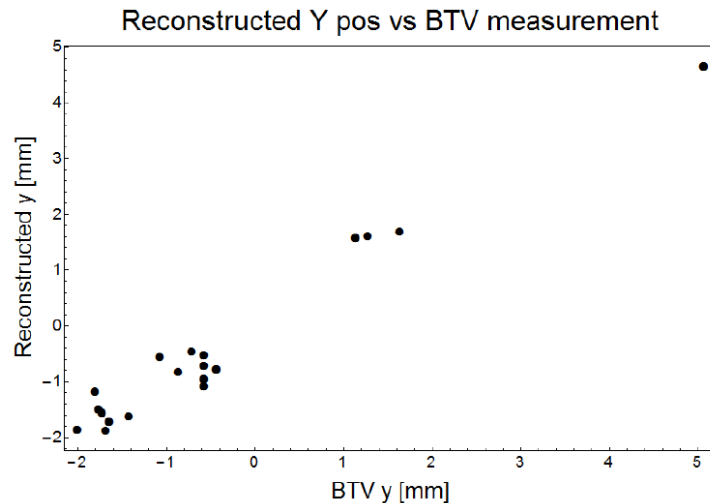
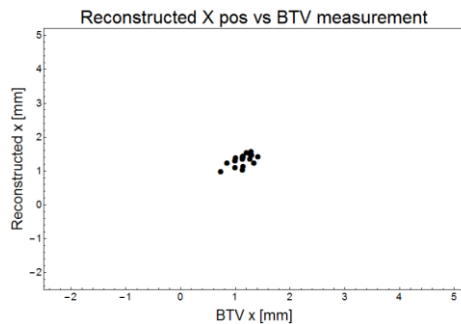


# Beam position with TARGET downstream

- Noise induced from backscattered particles



- Beam position still deducible



# Online monitoring

- **Beam performance**

- Intensity: BCT transformers in SPS/transfer line
- Beam profile
  - BPM in transfer line
  - Air core current transformer, BTV at experiment

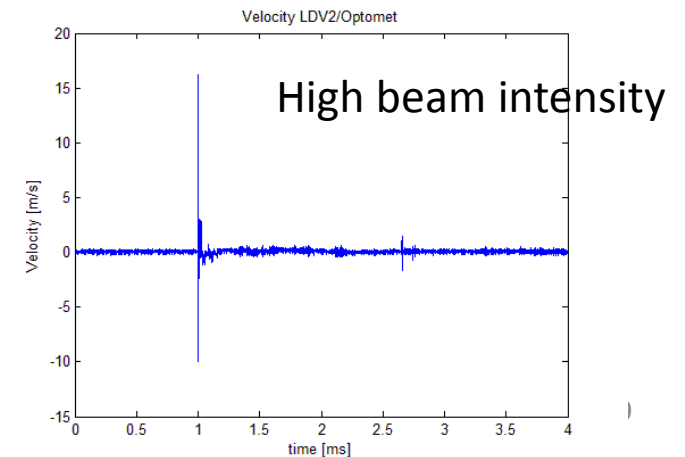
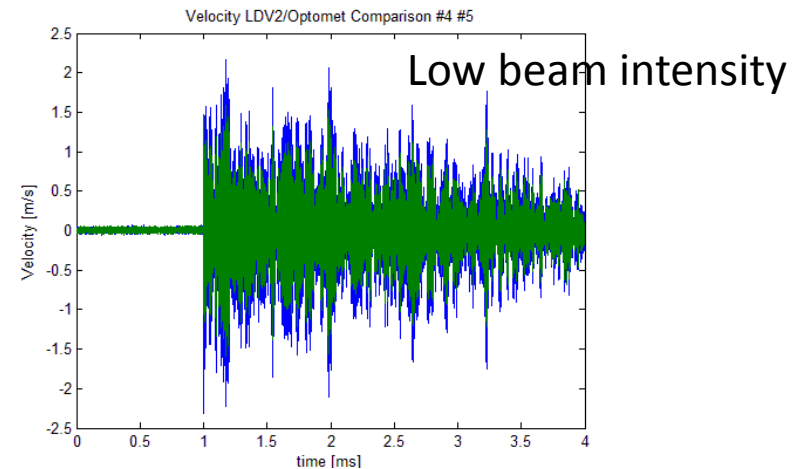
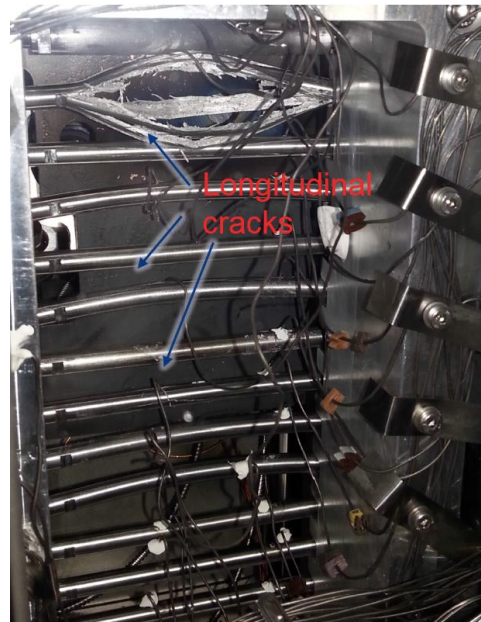
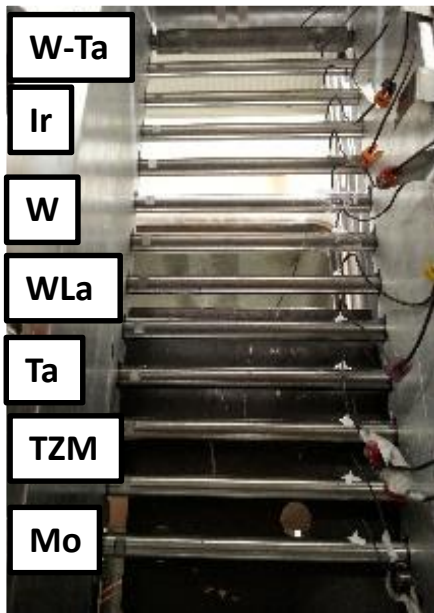
- **Radiation monitoring**

- RadMons in TNC and TT61
- BLMs along the transfer line and experimental setup

# AD target

M. Calviani et al.

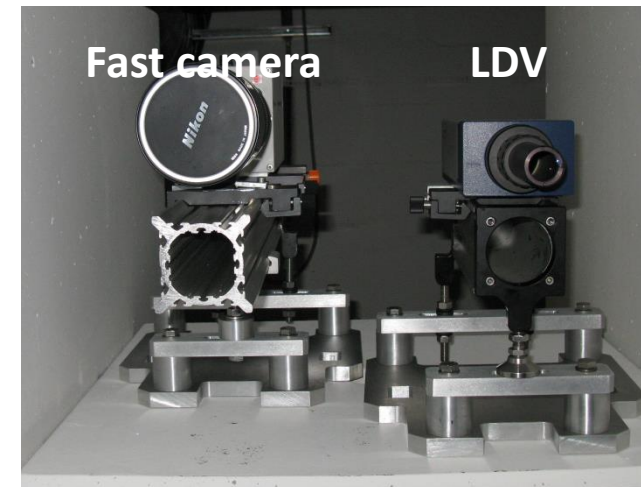
- **Motivation:**
  - Reduce the uncertainties existing in the core material response of the AD-Target
  - Assess the material selection for a new AD-Target for LS2
- **Goals:**
  - Recreate the same extreme conditions as reached in the AD-target in a controlled environment (validation of hydrocodes calculations)
  - **Identify mechanism of failure and limits** of the materials of interest impacted by proton beams



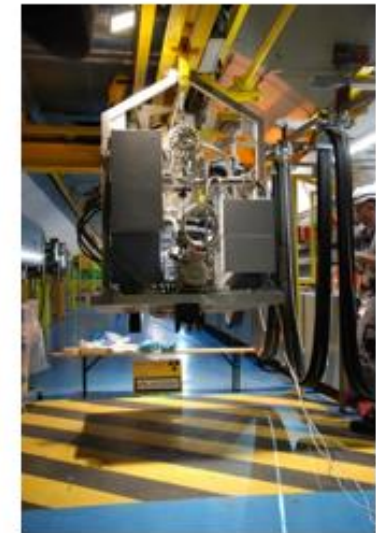
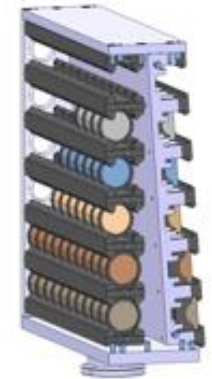
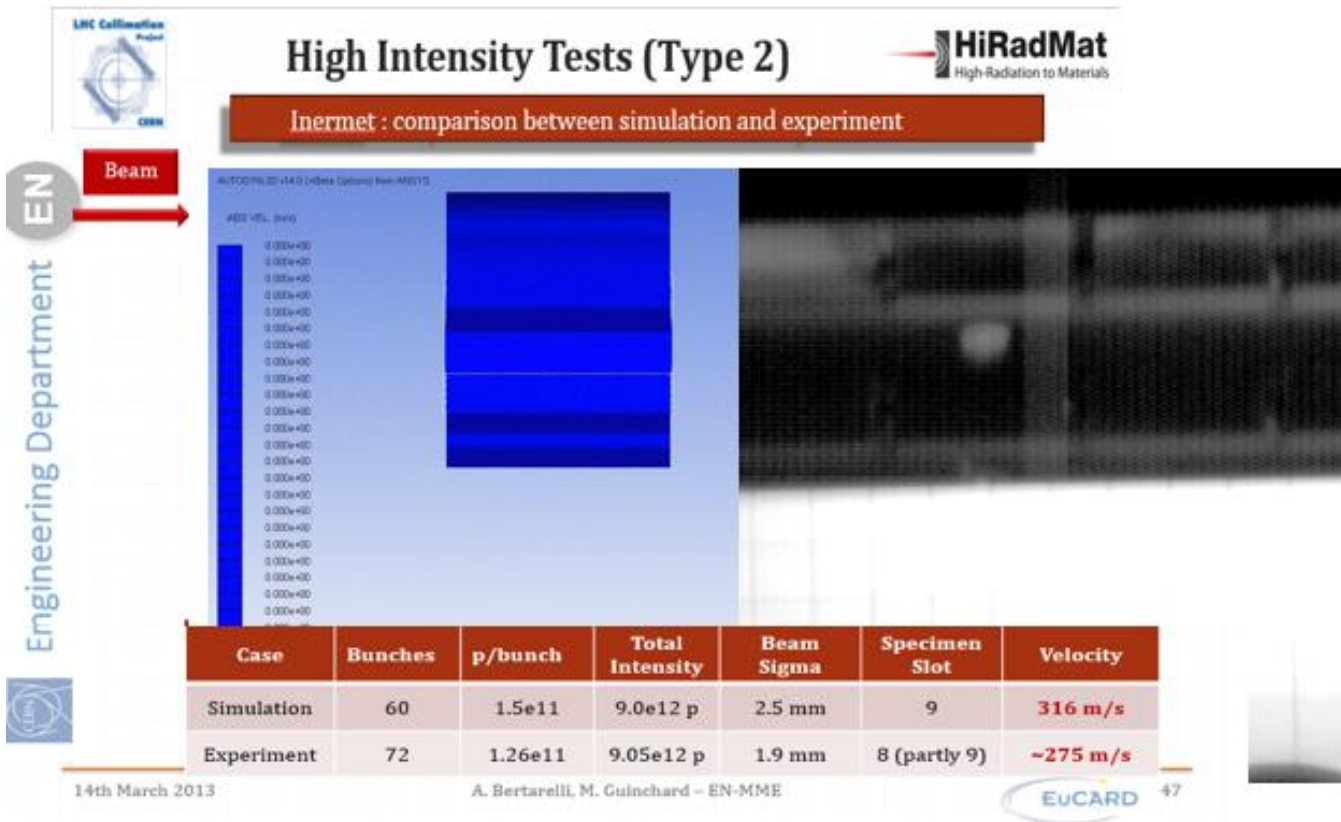
# Measurement tools

Provided with the expertise of various groups at CERN

- Laser-Doppler vibrometer
  - Measuring surface velocities of several m/s
  - tens of MHz sampling
- Optical high-speed recording
  - High-speed camera with several kHz frame rate
- Diamond detectors, strain gauges, temperature sensors ...
- Beam monitoring
  - High precision (< 0.1 mm) alignment/survey to experimental tables/beam  
Based on BTV/air core current transformer
  - Intensity monitoring
- Radiation monitoring with RadMons and beam loss monitoring

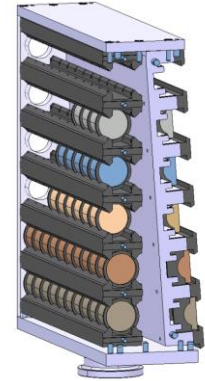


# Validation of collimator materials



Courtesy: A. Bertarelli, M. Guinhard

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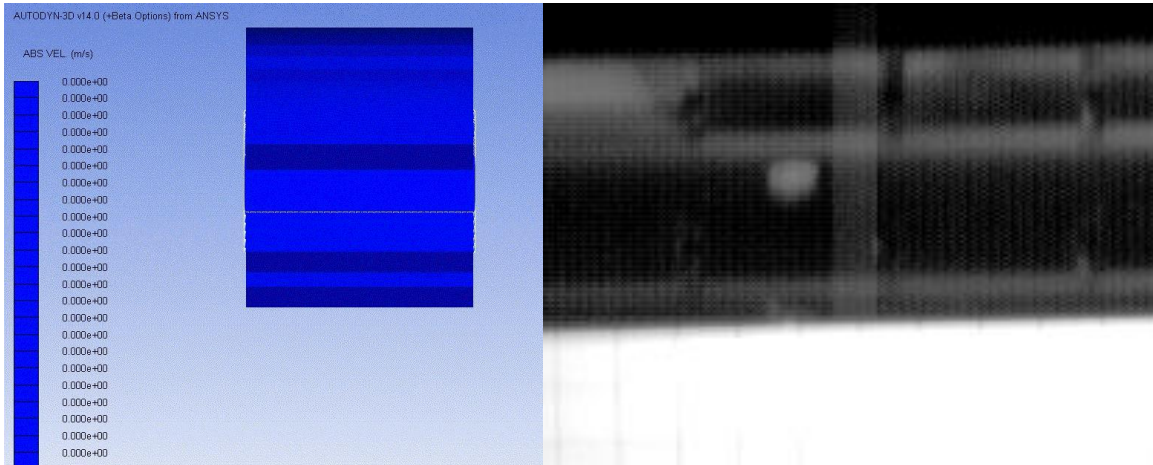
## High Intensity Tests (Type 2)



Inernet : comparison between simulation and experiment

Engineering Department

EN Beam



Case	Bunches	p/bunch	Total Intensity	Beam Sigma	Specimen Slot	Velocity
Simulation	60	1.5e11	9.0e12 p	2.5 mm	9	316 m/s
Experiment	72	1.26e11	9.05e12 p	1.9 mm	8 (partly 9)	~275 m/s

14th March 2013

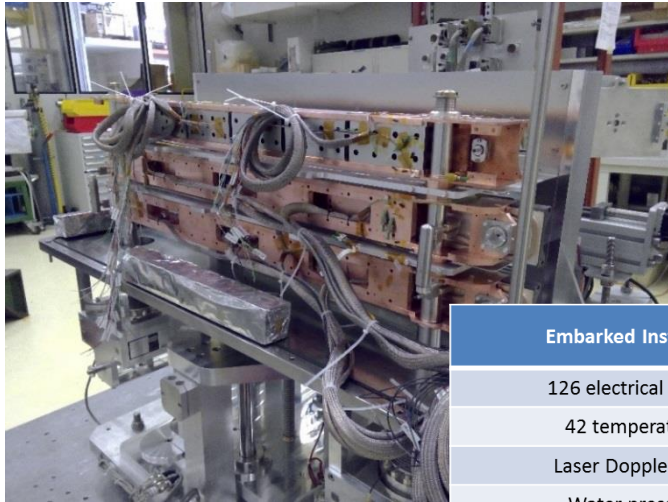
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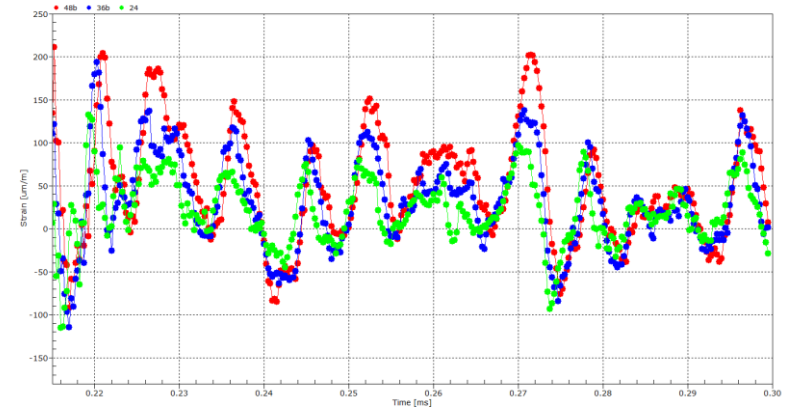
## HRMT-23 JAWS

- designed to test and qualify against LHC and HL-LHC accident scenarios **three collimator jaws** (HL-LHC with MoGr, HL-LHC with CuCD, LHC with CFC)



Embarked Instrumentation	Sampling frequency
126 electrical strain gauges	4 MHz
42 temperature probes	200 Hz
Laser Doppler Vibrometer	4 MHz
Water pressure sensor	100 kHz
60 strain Fibre Bragg Gratings	500 Hz
HD Camera inspection	"4K"
Fast Speed Camera + LED lighting system	20 000 fps

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- With high intensity beam pulses on thick target - electronics in TT61 failed

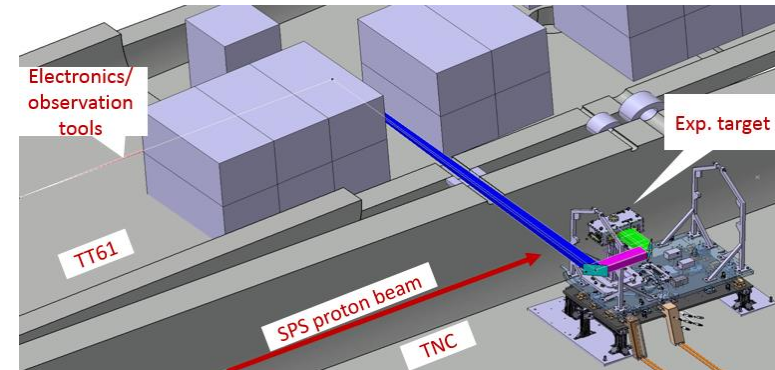
	GlassyC	PTarg	Jaws	BeGrid	BLM2	RodTarg
Target	Thin 0.1 $\lambda$	Thick 2 $\lambda$	Thick >2 $\lambda$	Thin 0.25 $\lambda$	Thin 0 $\lambda$	Thick 2 $\lambda$
p.o.t. (1e15)	1.2	0.03	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
Max. pulse intensity (1e13)	3.5	0.2	3.8	3.8	3.8	0.2
BLM411 response	0.016	0.0001	0.003	0.0004	0.0004	0.0003
BLM518 response	0.1	0.01	0.14	0.02	0.02	0.01
BLM526 response (just after nominal target position)	0.23	0.2	0.27 (sat.?)	0.22	0.15	0.2

# Electronics/DAQ in TT61

with feed-through to TNC for direct cabling

## Specifications

- Maximum cable length/optical path: 15 m
  - From electronics to target center
- Similar prompt radiation levels as in TJ7 bunker
  - Thick target,  $3e12$  ppp
  - $10e6$  hadrons/cm<sup>2</sup> for full intensity pulse



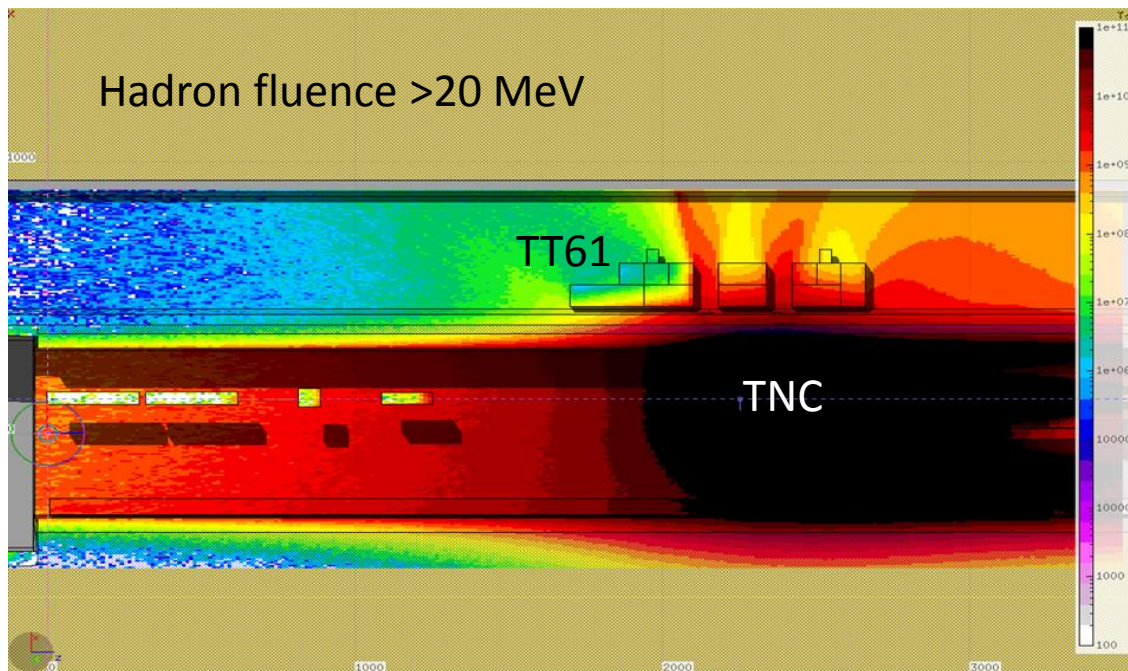
Additional shielding implemented (September 2015):

Optional counter measures: Increase distance (additional optical path/cable length)



# Radiation levels

- $1e15$  protons on target (1 experiment)
- Thick target – 2 nuclear interaction lengths



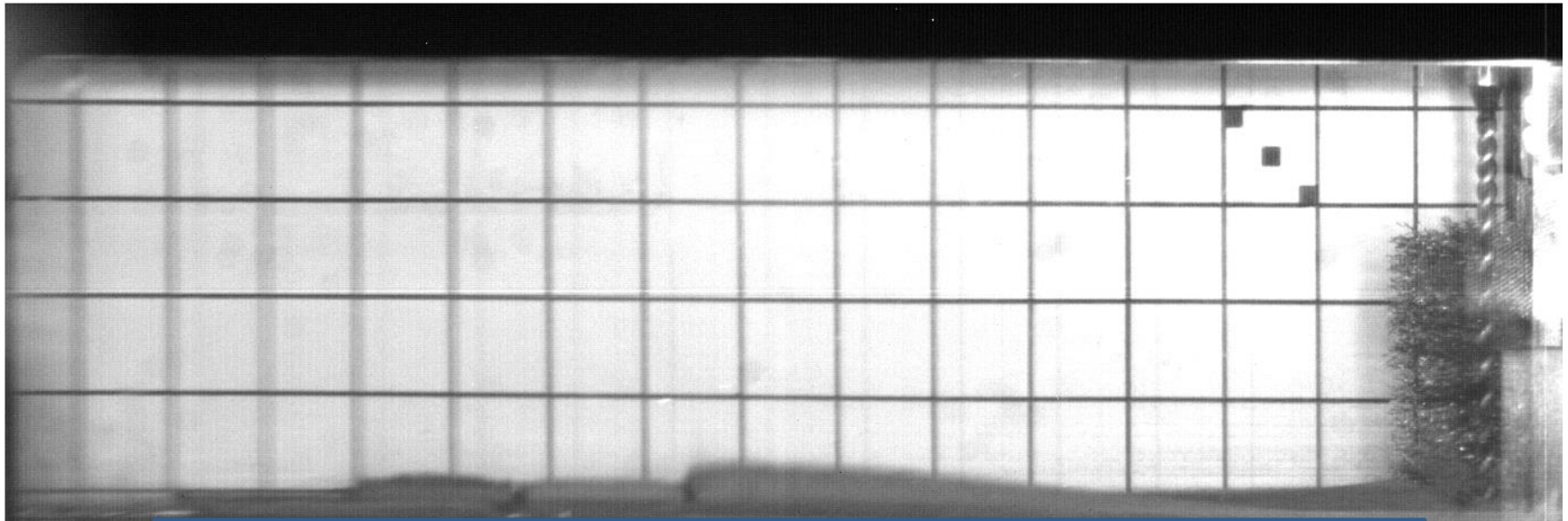
Courtesy: N. Charitonidis

- TT61 (at electronics):  $1e7$  heh/cm<sup>2</sup> (for shielding 2016)
- TNC annual dose (for  $1e16$  pot): 1-5 kGy

# Tungsten powder target

- Collaboration RAL-CERN

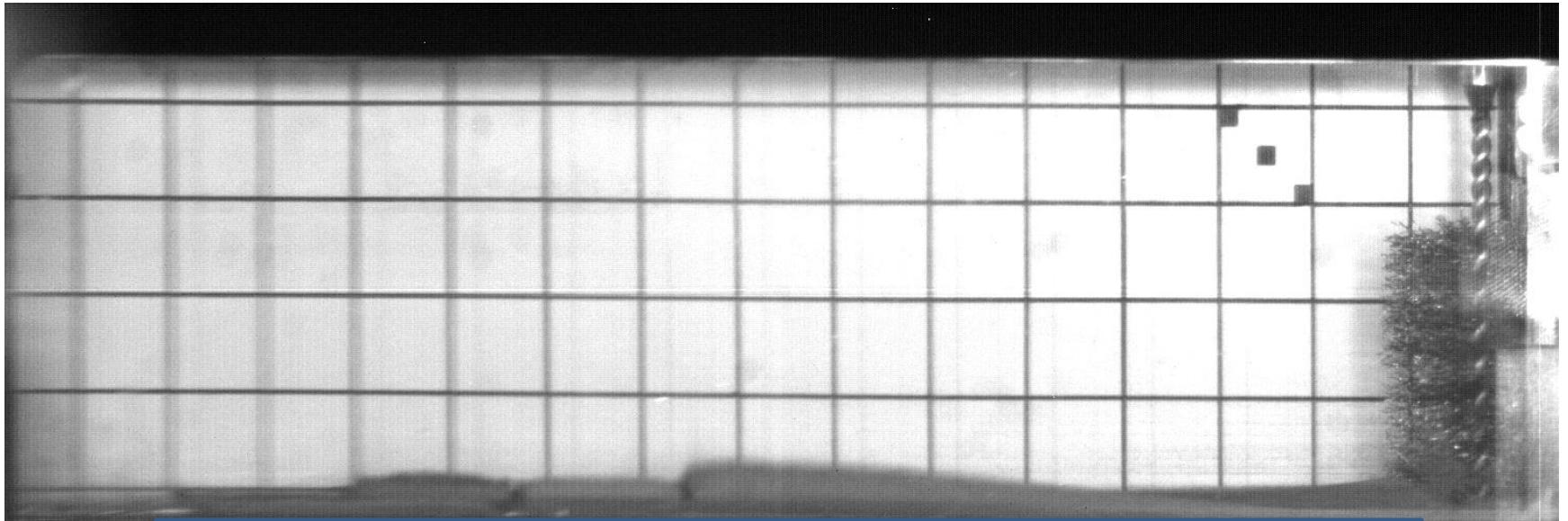
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proton beam

Trough with tungsten grains

# Tungsten powder target



  
proton beam

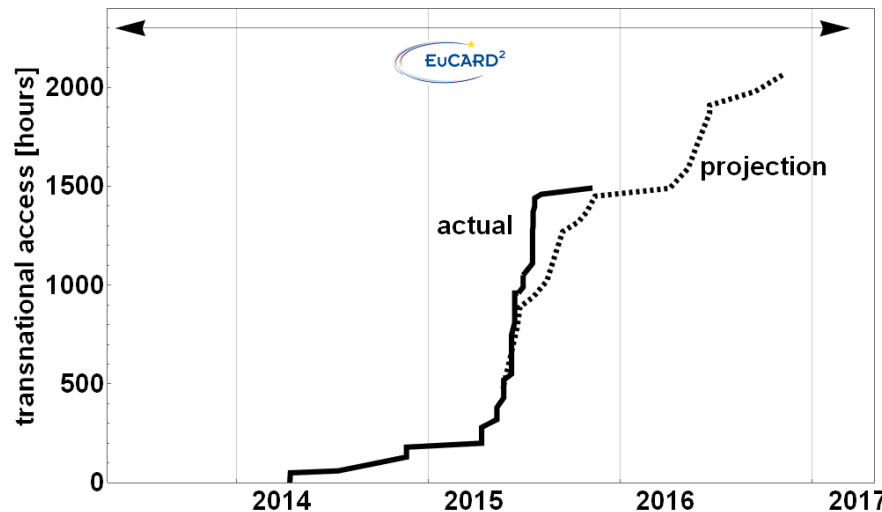
Different grain sizes along beam direction

High speed imaging equipment provided by HiRadMat (EN/EA)

# EuCARD2 Transnational Access

HiRadMat is work package within FP7 EuCARD2

- supports travel/accommodation for external HRM users
- 150 user days at CERN enabled through HiRadMat within FP7



- Participant to the successor proposal “ARIES” (EuCARD3)

# Conclusions

- HiRadMat as dedicated test facility successfully implemented
- Successful HiRadMat performance with large flexibility in performance parameters
- HiRadMat provides a great research opportunity on various accelerator components.

Dedicated THANK YOU to HSE/RP, EN/HE, BE/BI, EN/MME, BE/OP and EN/MEF (EN/EA) for the essential contributions to the implementation/operation of this facility!

All information published/linked at <http://cern.ch/hiradmat>

Announcement

# HiRadMat Users Day

- 28th June 2016 at CERN
- Assess the scientific dissemination of HRM
- Discuss potential improvements/extensions of the facility
- Dedicated presentations on numerous research topics
- Open forum discussions with all participants
- Dedicated invite to all present and interested HRM users will follow these days

You are welcome to participate/contribute!



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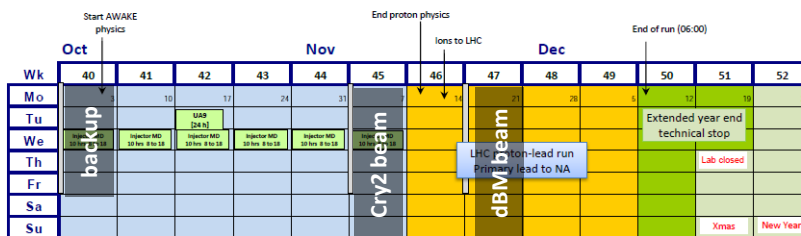
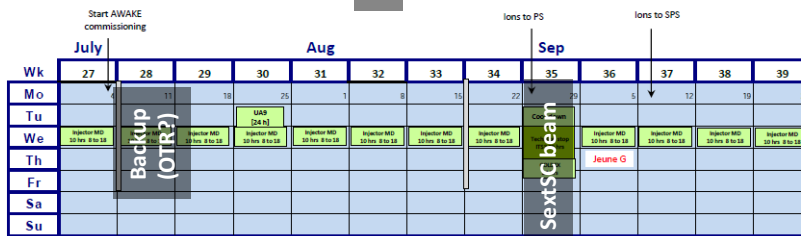
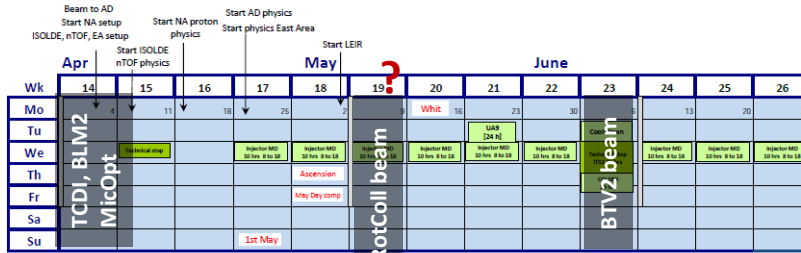
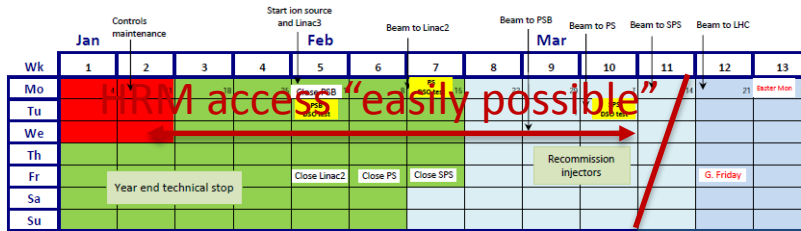
# Beam slot assignments

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## 2016 Injector Accelerator Schedule

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Injector Complex MD Block  
Technical stop for the Injector Chain

AD Setting-up & Studies  
Ions to LHC/NA

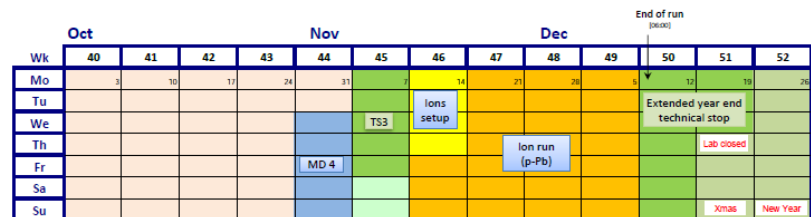
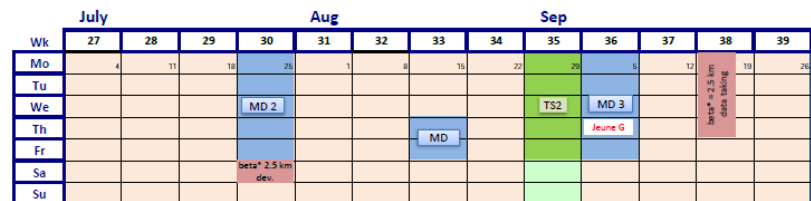
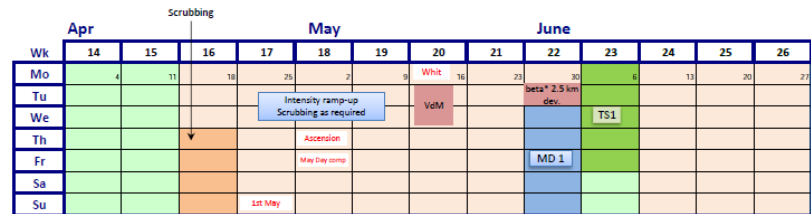
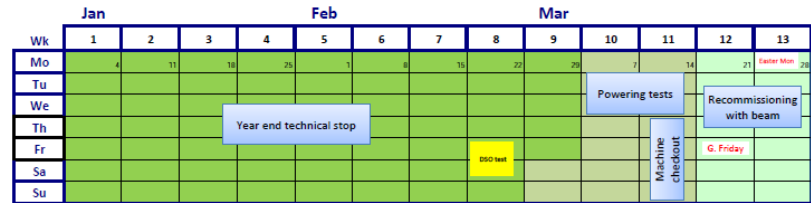
HiRadMat: possible beam request

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## LHC Schedule 2016

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Technical Stop  
Machine development  
Recommissioning with beam  
Special physics runs - provisional dates  
Scrubbing (indicative - dates to be established)

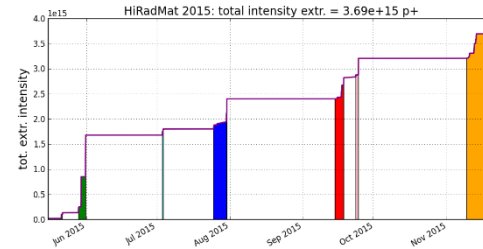


# Injectors to HiRadMat in 2015

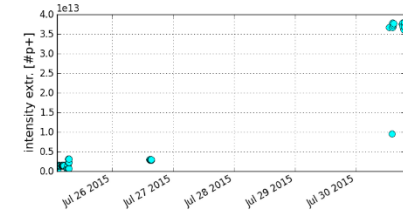
- Accumulated SPS cycle time: 4.0 days

Variable Statistics between 2015-02-16 16:13:00.000 and 2015-12-01 16:13:00.000 (UTC\_TIME)

Variable Name	# Values	MIN Timestamp	MAX Timestamp
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SPS:HIRADMAT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT2	0		
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SPS:HIRADMAT_4INJ_FB11100_FT500_Q20_2014_V1:HIRA...	0		
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SPS:HIRADMAT_HIGH_INTENSITY_2011_V1:HIRADMT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_HIGH_INTENSITY_2011_V1:HIRADMT2	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_2010_V1:HIRADMT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_2011_V1:HIRADMT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_2012_V1:HIRADMT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_NORTHBUMP_2012_V1:HIRADMT1	0		
SPS:HIRADMAT_PILOT_Q20_2014_V1:HIRADMT1	11339	2015-04-04 16:55:49.335	2015-11-21 12:39:50.535
SPS:HIRADMAT_TEST_V1:HIRADMT1	0		



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- Total intensity extracted:  $3.7e15$  pot
- Excellent performance of the injectors providing beams with large flexibility, in the largest intensity range for multi-bunch pulses. All planned beams provided.

- 2012: 2 days,  $1.4e16$  pot

Variable Statistics between 2012-02-16 16:13:00.000 and 2012-12-15 16:13:00.000 (UTC\_TIME)

Variable Name	# Values	MIN Timestamp	MAX Timestamp	MIN Value	MAX Value	AVG Value	Standard Deviation	Frequency
SPS:FEI_HIRADMAT	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT1	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT2	0							NaN/year
SPS:FEI_HIRADMAT:FEI_HIRADMAT	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT_4INJ_FB11100_FT500_Q20_2014_V1:HIRA...	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT_4INJ_FB11100_FT500_Q20_2014_V1:HIRA...	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT_HIGH_INTENSITY_2011_V1:HIRADMT1	3734	2012-06-13 05:58:07.335	2012-11-30 09:42:34.935					12/day
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SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_2010_V1:HIRADMT1	8801	2012-05-09 06:40:19.335	2012-10-10 08:27:07.335					2/hour
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_2012_V1:HIRADMT1	3072	2012-10-11 09:36:02.535	2012-11-03 22:57:57.735					5/hour
SPS:HIRADMAT_L7200_NORTHBUMP_2012_V1:HIRADMT1	2197	2012-10-11 10:00:13.335	2012-10-22 15:09:31.335					8/hour
SPS:HIRADMAT_PILOT_Q20_2014_V1:HIRADMT1	0							NaN/year
SPS:HIRADMAT_TEST_V1:HIRADMT1	0							NaN/year

- ▶ Is the executive body that manages the facility.
- ▶ Evaluates the scientific merit of the proposed experiments, their feasibility, the proposed online information during beam time, the post-irradiation analysis plans and the expected results and publications to the interest of the scientific community.
- ▶ Distributes the EUCARD Transnational Access funds - contractual obligation from EC

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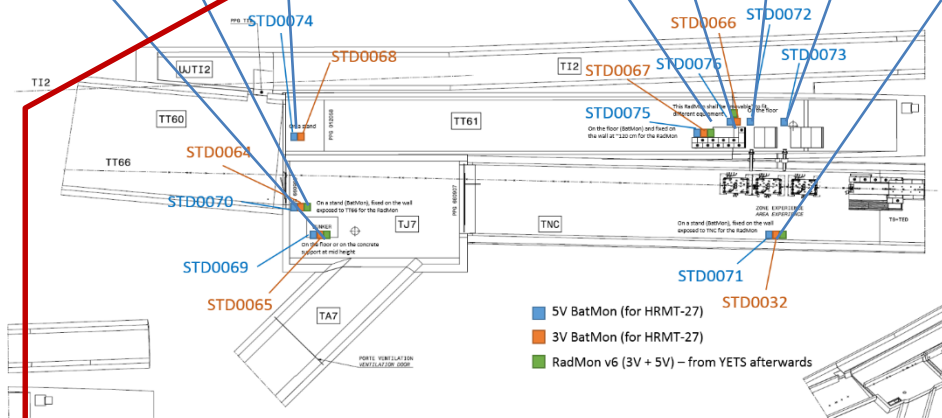
# BatMon reading (HRMT27)

TJ7 bunker			TJ7 door			TT61 door			TT61 equipment table			feedthrough equipment side	feedthrough downstream	Experimental Zone			PROTON ON TARGET				
STD065	STD069		STD064	STD070		STD068	STD074		STD067	STD075		STD066	STD076		STD072	STD073	STD032	STD071			
3V	5V	R factor	3V	5V	R factor	3V	5V	0.5	3V	5V	R factor	3V	5V	R factor	5V	5V	3V	5V	R factor		
02/11/2015																					
17/11/2015	56	1 2.02E+02	189	19	2.23	4	1 0.5	0.5	9	2	0.7	55	4	3.53			3	117323	7253	4.48	
Total	56	1 2.02E+02	189	19	2.23	4	1 0.5	0.5	9	2	0.7	55	4	3.53			3	117323	7253	4.48	8.44E+13
Ternal Neutrons		HEH	Ternal Neutrons		HEH	Ternal Neutrons		HEH	Ternal Neutrons		HEH	Ternal Neutrons		HEH	HEH	HEH	Ternal Neutrons		HEH		
1.07E+07		5.32E+04	3.10E+07		1.39E+07	4.52E+08		8.18E+05	1.10E+06		1.62E+06	9.53E+06		2.70E+06	3.41E+06	2.55E+06	2.08E+10		4.63E+09		
1.27E-07		6.30E-10	3.67E-07		1.64E-07	5.36E-09		9.69E-09	1.31E-08		1.92E-08	0.00E+00		1.13E-07	3.20E-08	4.04E-08	3.03E-08		2.46E+04	5.49E-05	

With new shielding in TT61: still 1e6 to 1e7 heh/cm2 per experiment

Not easy to improve with present space restrictions, except distance

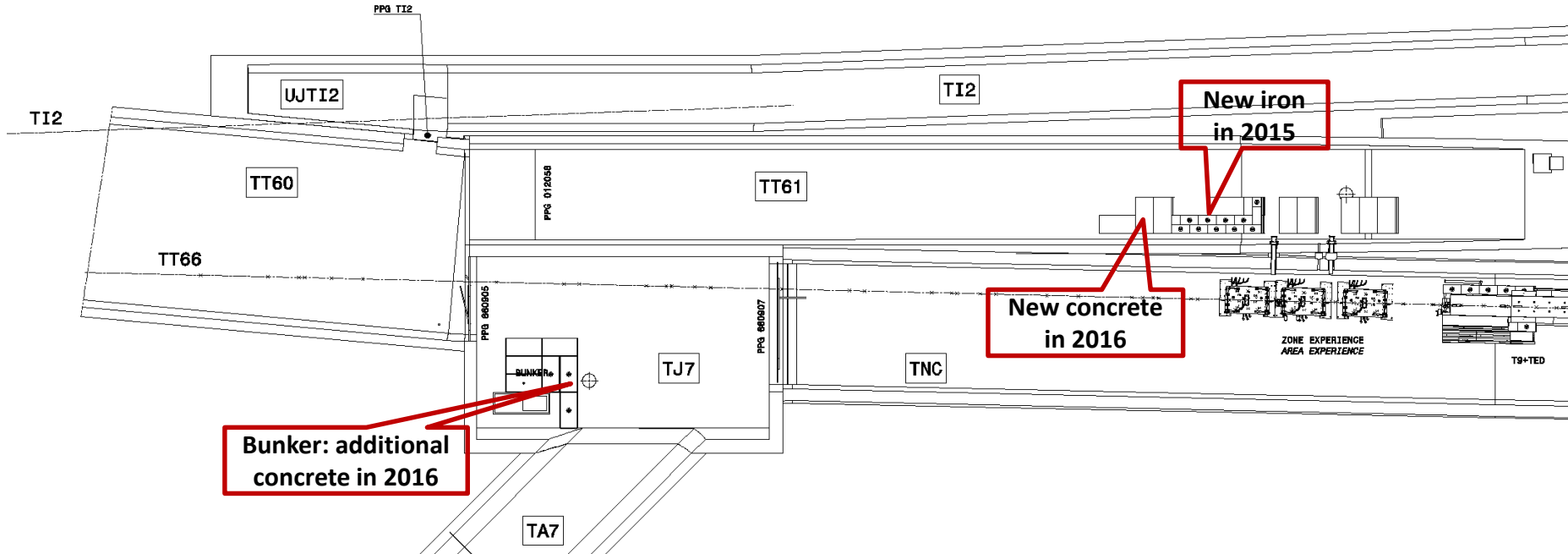
RadMon installed in YETS15/16



Courtesy: EN/STI, R2E

Proposition of BatMons installation for HRMT-27 run and fixed RadMons to be installed during YETS2015-2016

# Extended shielding



- Maximum radiation levels behind :  $1e6$  to  $1e7$  heh/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Further improvements only by increasing distance

Write-up with radiation fields in preparations