



# Normal conducting RF for muon collider



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Since I am not at all an expert on muon collider RF systems I propose instead:

## An overview of high-gradient, normal-conducting RF developments that may be relevant for a muon collider

A lot of work has been done in recent years on increasing, understanding and applying high-gradients.

Many aspects of this work are relevant for a muon collider.

The work was initially motivated by linear collider studies but now is being pursued by a wide range of applications.

# High-gradient development overview

High-gradient prototypes for CLIC:  
12 GHz, full length, aperture  
constrained, HOM mode damping, etc.

Research structures:  
Single cell cavities, pulsed dc, different  
materials, cryo, short pulse

High-gradient prototypes for other electron  
linacs:  
X, C and S-band, typical applications include  
XFEL, ICS and medical (VHEE and FLASH)

Theory:  
RF design – Sc, breakdown loaded  
voltage  
Materials – vacancy and dislocation  
models  
Modeling of field emission and multi-  
scale modeling of breakdown

Accelerator devices:  
Energy spread linearizers, transverse  
deflectors, typically 12 GHz  
Electrostatic septa

Non-accelerator devices:  
Making connections to fusion, X-ray  
tubes, vacuum interrupters

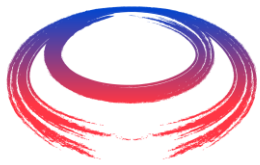
High-fields for low- $\beta$  protons:  
RFQ 350 MHz and proton therapy 3 GHz

Small selection of examples follow...

# What we are looking for

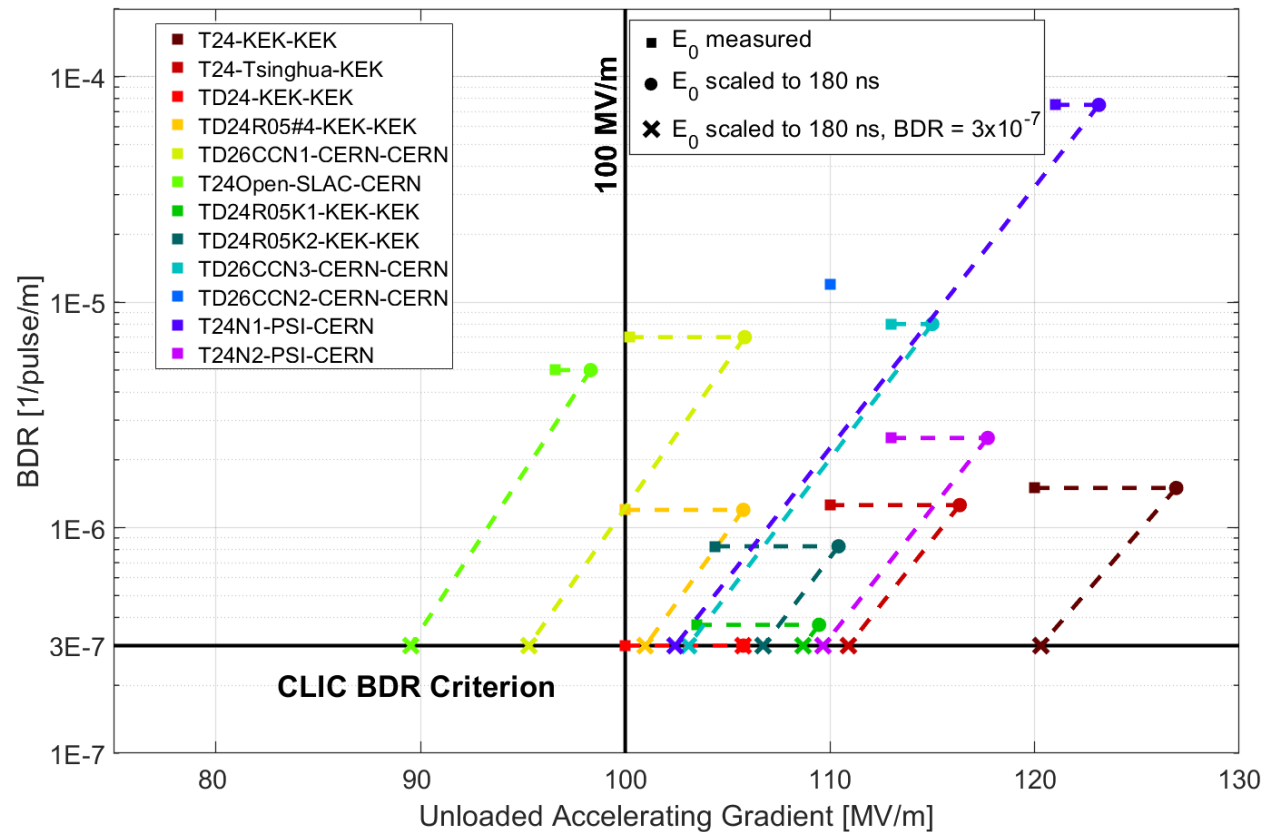
The main challenges for the RF cavities for muon capture and cooling are that they must operate:

- In a high,  $>10\text{T}$ , solenoidal magnetic field,
- with high accelerating gradient,
- and be robust against irradiation damage.



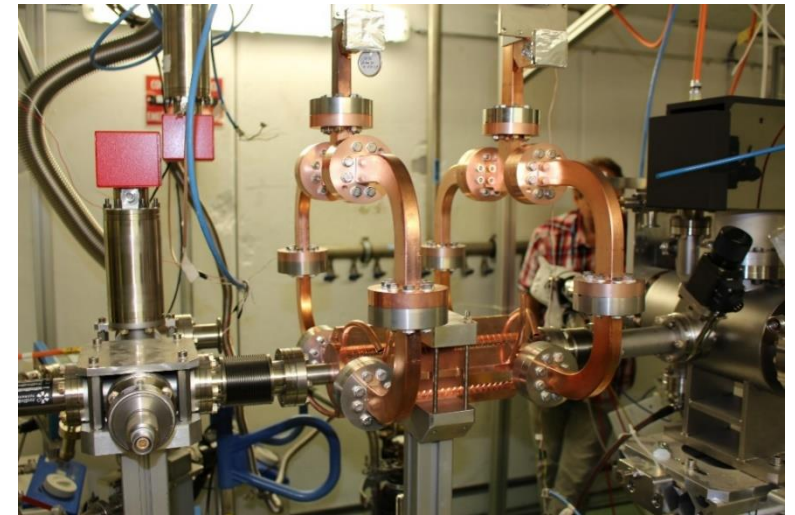
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# CLIC 12 GHz prototypes – what is possible



Peak surface electric fields about x 2.5 higher

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.21.061001>,  
<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.20.052001> etc.

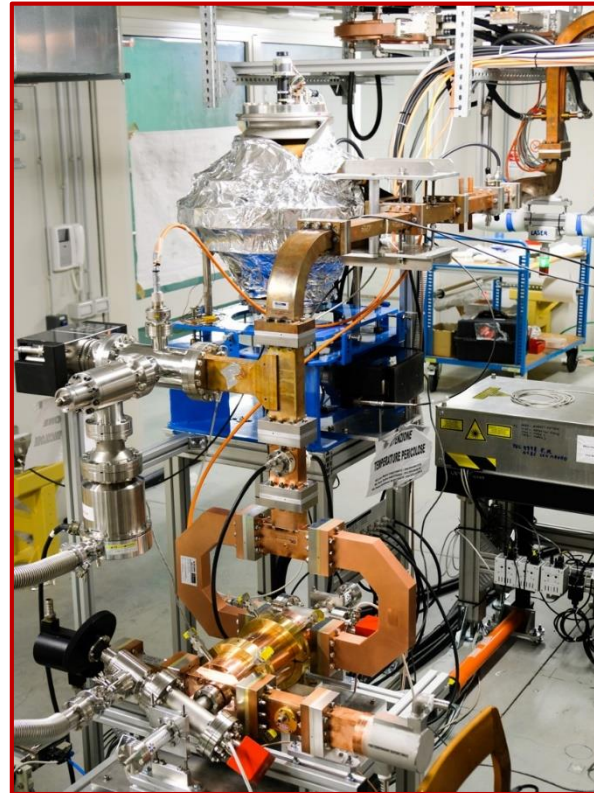
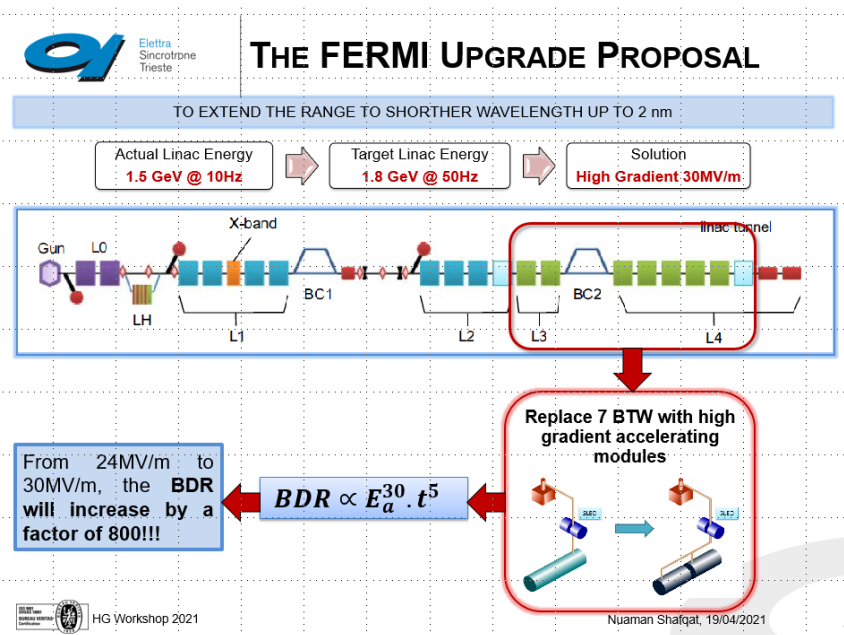


Much of the progress has been in quantifying dependence of gradient on RF design.

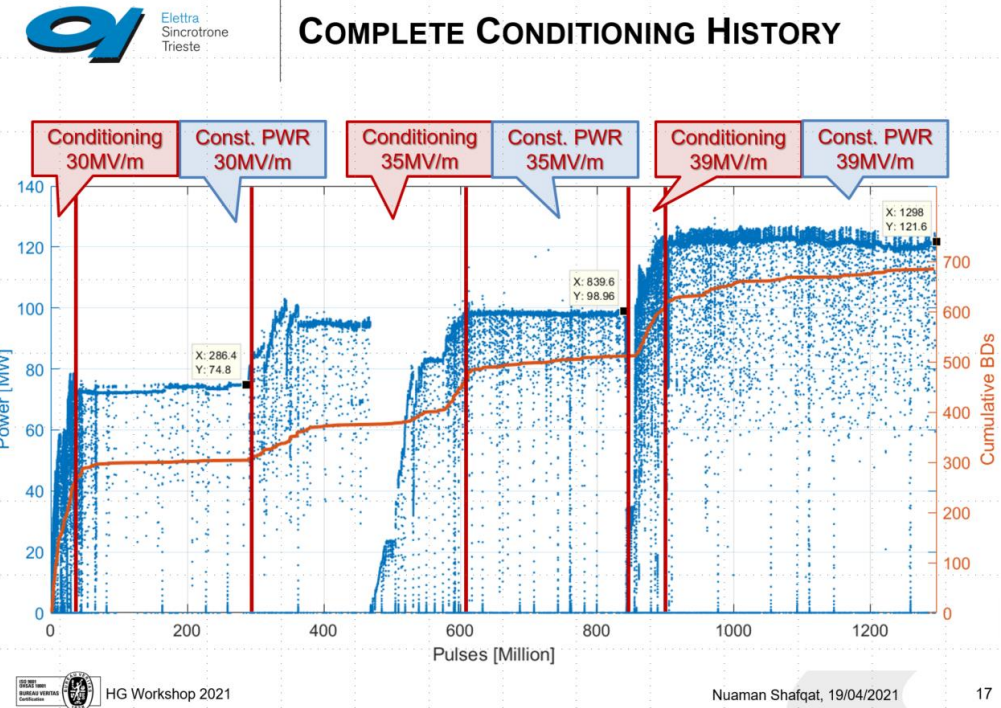


# FERMI energy upgrade – 3 GHz

Material from Nuaman Shafqat <https://indico.fnal.gov/event/22025/contributions/210365/>



Structure fabricated by PSI



<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2020.164473>



# High-gradient, $\beta=0.38$ , 3 GHz for protons

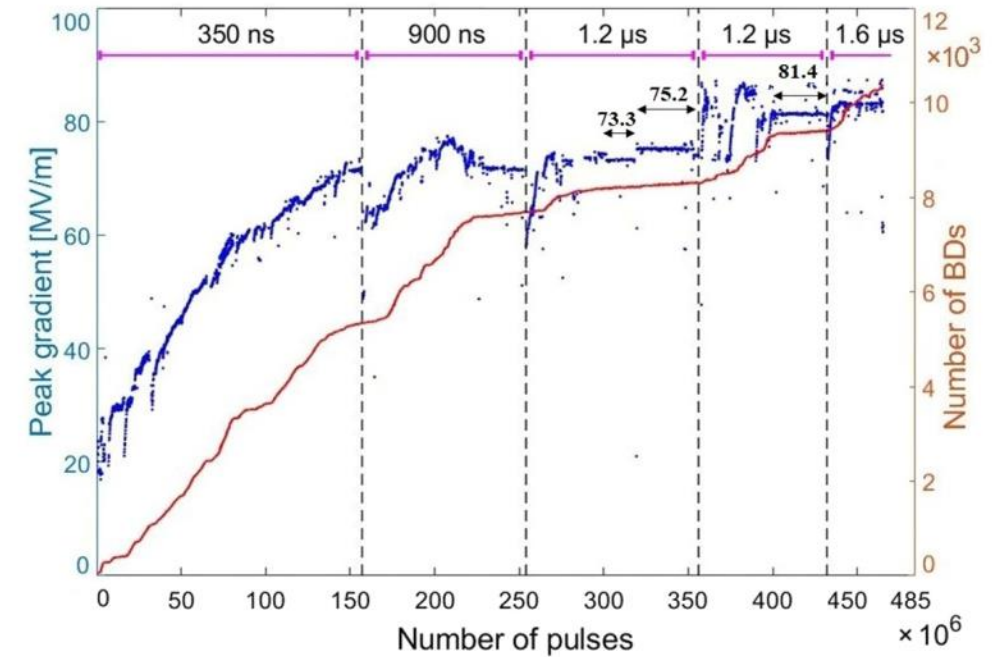
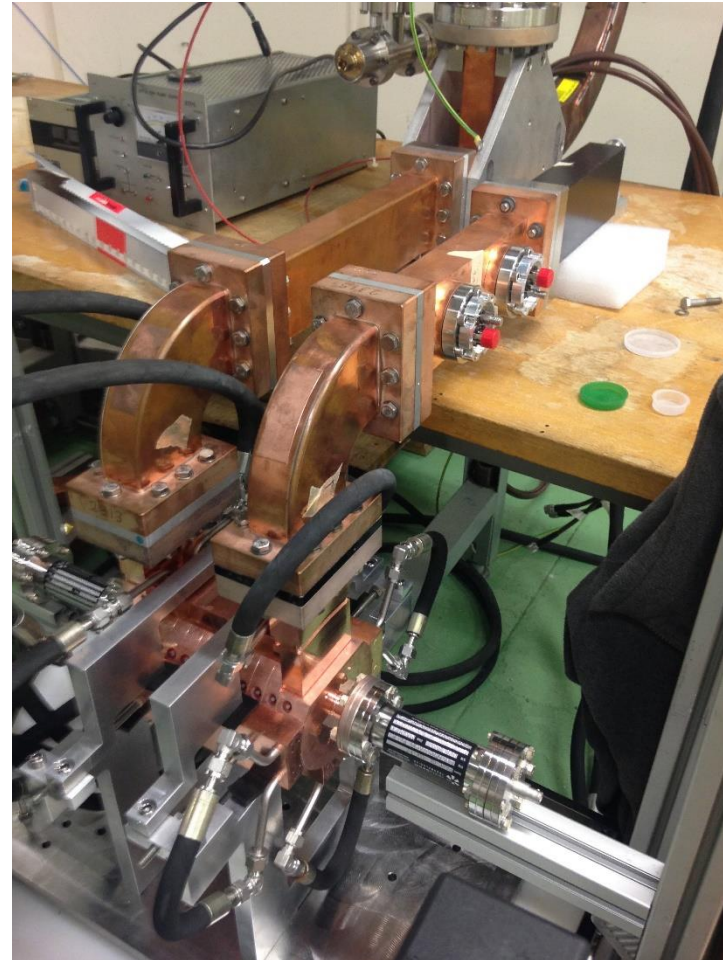
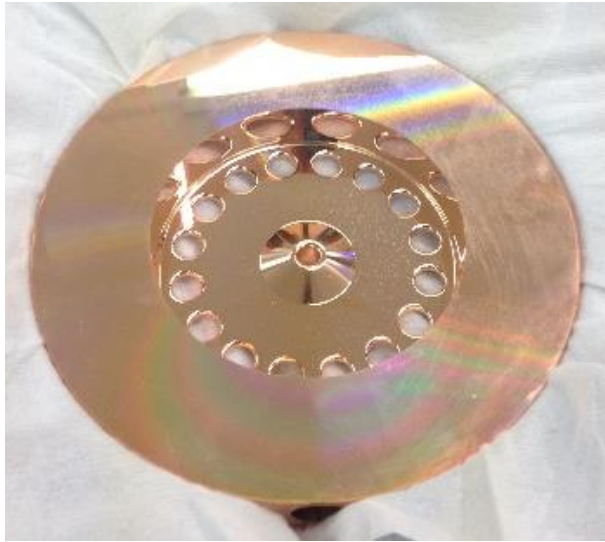
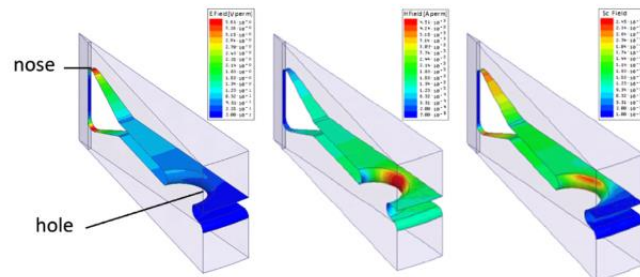
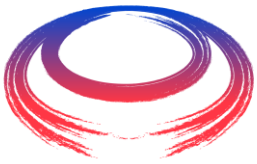


FIG. 8. Conditioning history of the BTW accelerating structure. The plot shows the accelerating gradient in the first cell (blue) and accumulated number of BDs (red) versus the number of pulses, with pulse lengths indicated at the top.



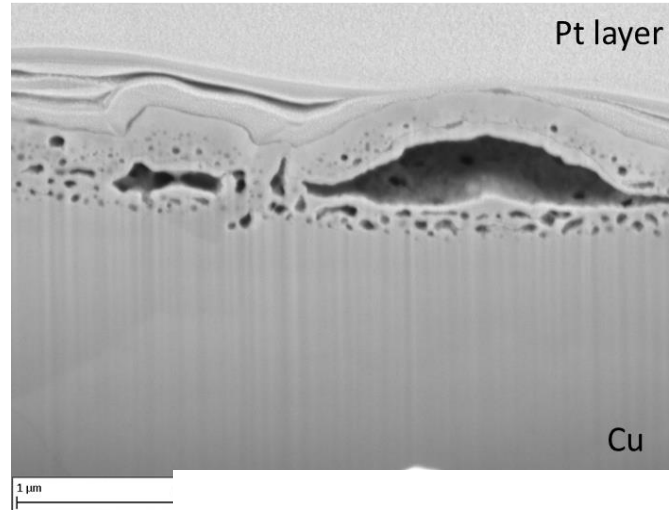
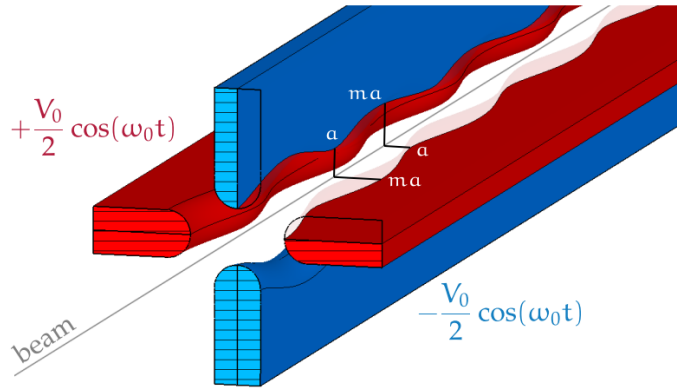


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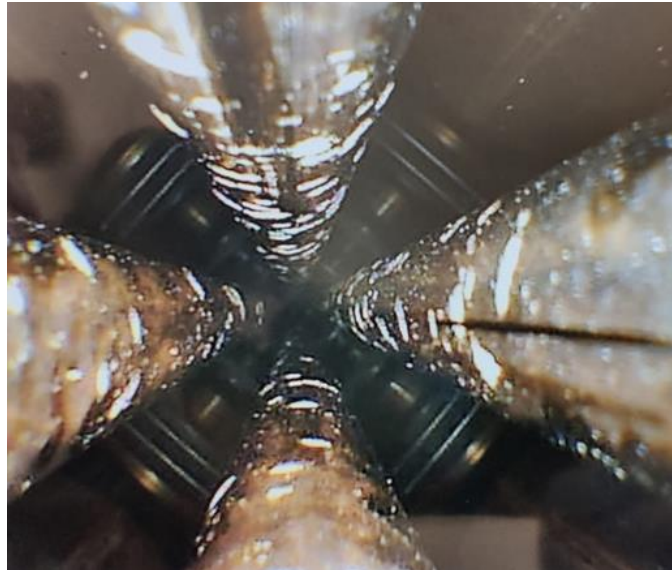
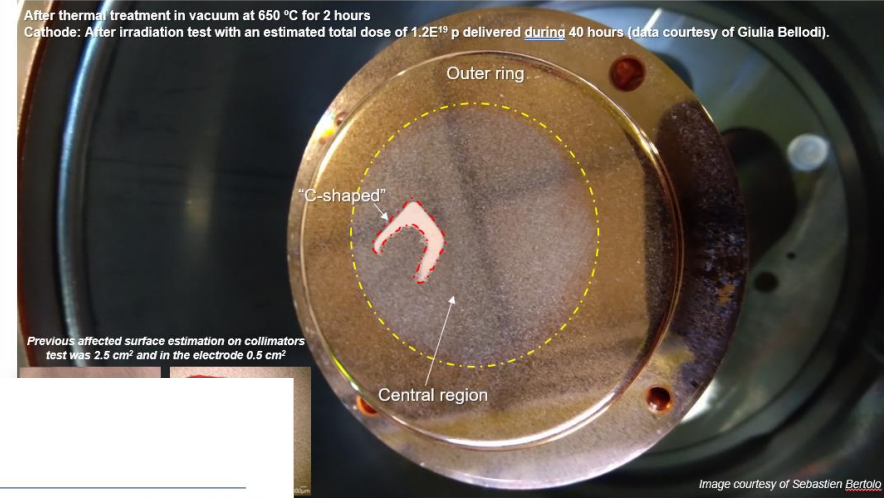
# LINAC4 RFQ – 350 MHz and beam loss



From A. Grudiev <https://indico.fnal.gov/event/22025/contributions/210496/>

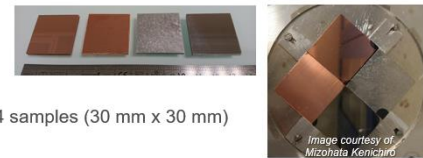
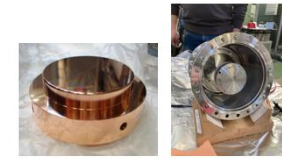


## Results: Cu-OFE electrode



## Proposed studies

- Combined H<sup>-</sup> source test stand + pulsed DC:
  - Particle type H<sup>-</sup> ions at 45 keV
  - Different incidence angles are possible
  - Electrodes of Ø80 mm and Ø60 mm
- Helsinki's system:
  - Particle type H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> at 90 keV
  - Different incidence angles are possible
  - Sample holder ~ Ø100 mm → simultaneously 4 samples (30 mm x 30 mm)



	Combined H <sup>-</sup> source + DC testing at CERN						Helsinki's system						
	Cu-OFE	CuCr <sub>1</sub> Zr	Cu <sub>93</sub> Be <sub>2</sub>	Nb	Ta	Ti <sub>6</sub> Al <sub>4</sub> V	Cu-OFE	CuCr <sub>1</sub> Zr	Cu <sub>93</sub> Be <sub>2</sub>	Nb	Ta	Ti <sub>6</sub> Al <sub>4</sub> V	
~ Dose 1.0 x 10 <sup>19</sup> p/cm <sup>2</sup>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
	n. a.												

Legend: ■ Tested ■ Manufacturing completed ■ Material purchased

## Pulsed dc system



# Pulsed DC

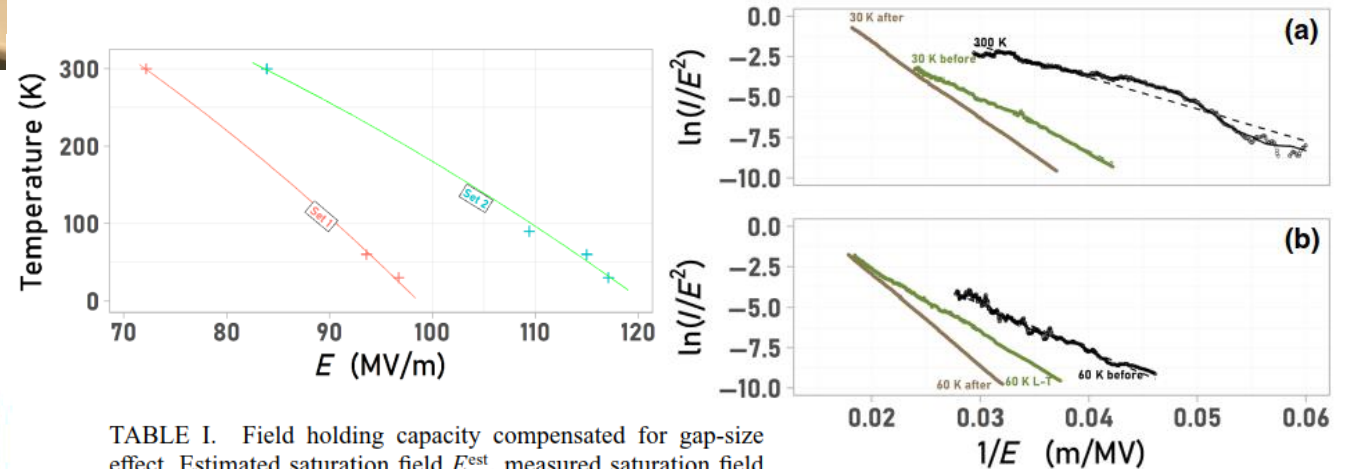
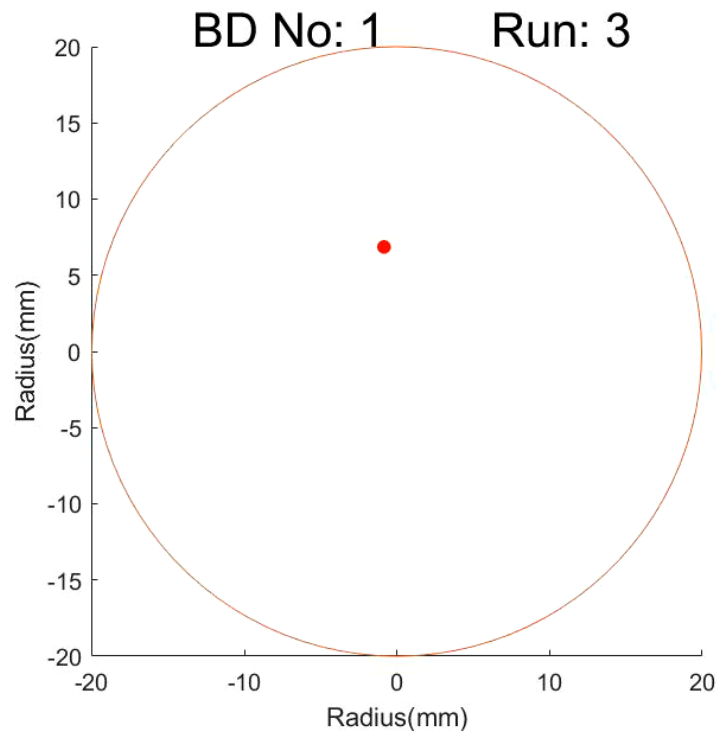
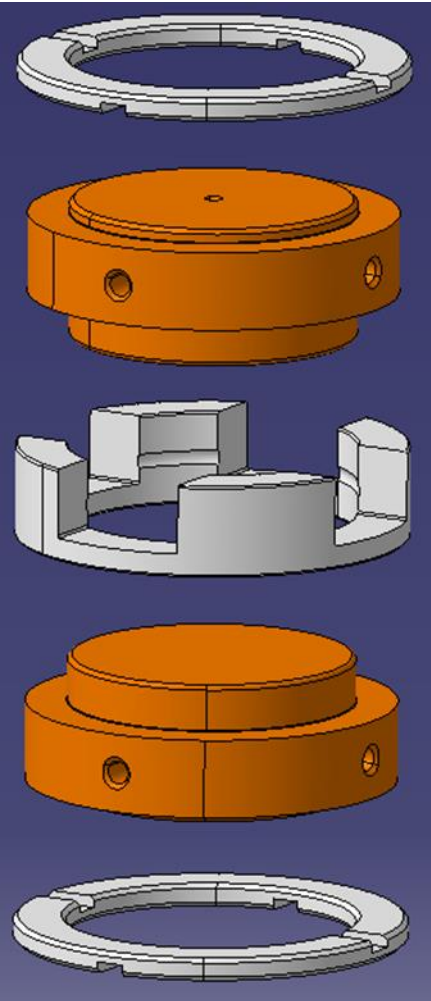
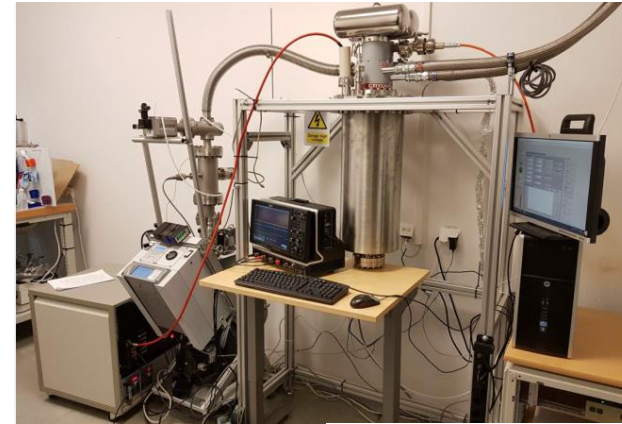
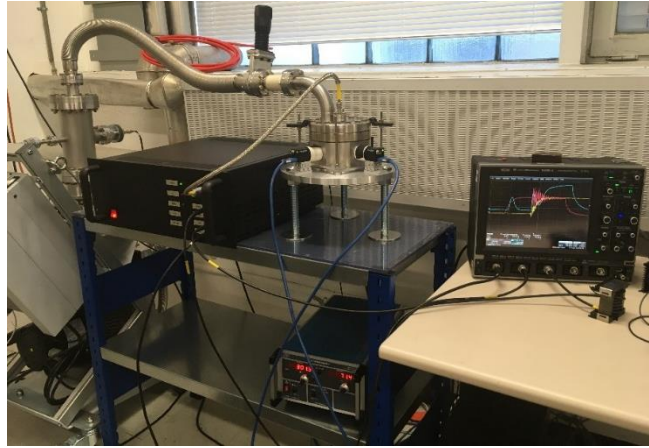


TABLE I. Field holding capacity compensated for gap-size effect. Estimated saturation field  $E_{\text{sat}}^{\text{est}}$ , measured saturation field  $E_{\text{sat}}$ , and relative change  $\Delta E/E$  between them, for conditioning runs at different temperatures  $T$ .

$T$ (K)	Electrode set 1			Electrode set 2		
	$E_{\text{sat}}^{\text{est}}$ (MV/m)	$E_{\text{sat}}$ (MV/m)	$\Delta E/E$ (%)	$E_{\text{sat}}^{\text{est}}$ (MV/m)	$E_{\text{sat}}$ (MV/m)	$\Delta E/E$ (%)
30	67.4	96.7	43	78.3	117.1	50
60	67.7	93.6	38	78.6	115.0	46
90	...	...	...	78.9	109.4	39
300	72.2	72.2	0	83.9	83.9	0

## RF design

$S_c$  has been the workhorse for CLIC and application structures.

Gives gradient limit based on maximum local power flow density so includes electric and magnetic field.

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevSTAB.12.102001>

Now breakdown-loaded field limit. Also power flow but includes loading of fields by incipient breakdown.

Extends range of applicability.

PhD thesis of Jan Paszkiewicz

<http://cds.cern.ch/record/2749494/>

## Fundamentals of breakdown

Vacancy and dislocation (bulk) models give breakdown rate as a function of gradient – a fundamental measurable dependency that we reproducibly observe as  $BDR \propto E^{30}$ .

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevSTAB.15.071002>

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.120.124801>

Surface dynamics under strong electric fields

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevB.99.205418>

Breakdown plasma simulation

<https://doi.org/10.1002/ctpp.201400069>

## Stochastic Model of Breakdown Nucleation under Intense Electric Fields

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A plastic response due to dislocation activity under intense electric fields is proposed as a source of breakdown. A model is formulated based on stochastic multiplication and arrest under the stress generated by the field. A critical transition in the dislocation population is suggested as the cause of protrusion formation leading to subsequent arcing. The model is studied using Monte Carlo simulations and theoretical analysis, yielding a simplified dependence of the breakdown rates on the electric field. These agree with experimental observations of field and temperature breakdown dependencies.

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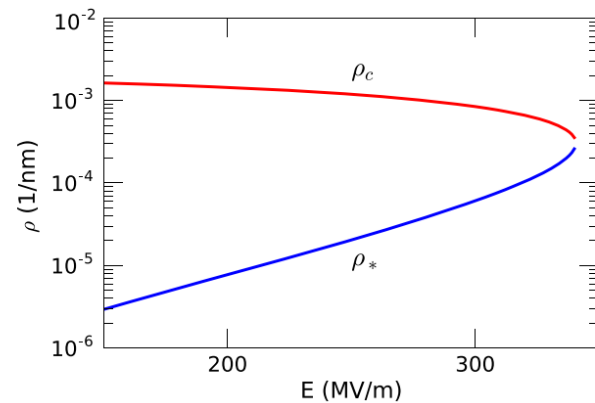


FIG. 1. Fixed points of the dynamical equations for  $\rho$ , attracting ( $\rho_*$ ) and repelling ( $\rho_c$ ), as functions of  $E$ , demonstrating the existence of a bifurcation point.

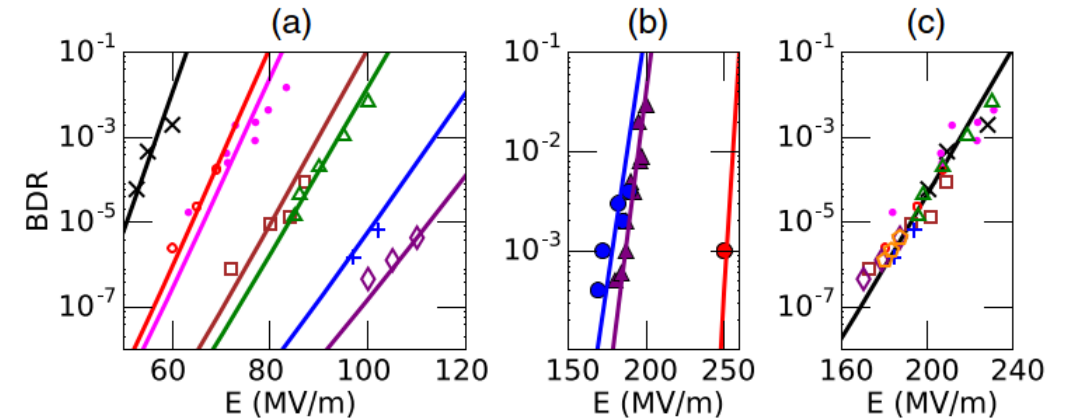


FIG. 3. Experimental BDRs with fitted theoretical lines using Eq. (7): (a) BDR versus  $E$  for various Cu accelerating structures [11]. (b) BDR variation with  $E$  at room temperature (two lines on the left) and at 45 K (line on the right) [51]. (c) BDR versus  $E$  for various Cu accelerating structures [11,52], with  $E$  rescaled so that all measurements are fitted with  $\beta = 4.8$ .





# Conclusions



There are many successful and ongoing developments in high-gradient normal conducting RF that are of relevance for the muon cooling.

We look forward to including muon cooling specific RF requirements in these studies.



# More information



HG workshop series  
High-gradient RF

<https://indico.fnal.gov/event/22025/>

MeVArc workshop series  
Fundamentals of vacuum breakdown

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/966437/>