

CERN STI/LP operational experience

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Mandate

“The LP section is responsible for ***laser installations and optical beamlines used to produce charged particle beams*** in the CERN accelerators complex and research facilities”



- + Support for laser applications in the AT sector, including safety aspects.
- + Training networks (LISA)
- + Knowledge Transfer (@RILIS, @CLEAR)

Lepton and ion beams at CERN

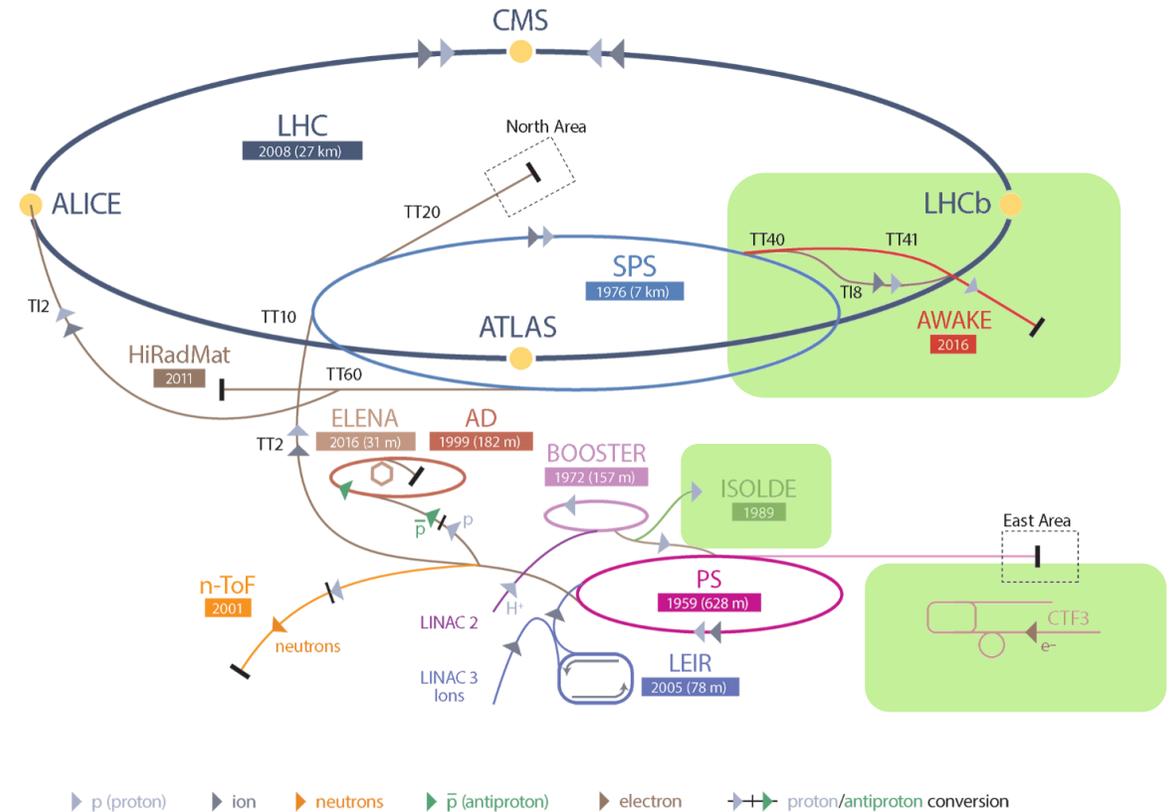
- Next generation of colliders (“Higgs factories”) will likely use leptons instead of hadrons exclusively:

- CLIC (multi-TeV electron-positron collisions)
- FCC-ee/eh
- LHeC (PERLE)

- Accelerator R&D + synergies with other facilities worldwide:

- AWAKE: Plasma wakefield accelerators and components (High gradient, LWFA)
- CLEAR: Particle sources for medical applications (CHUV)
- Radiation testing [for space missions, medicine] (ESA)
- Gamma Factory at CERN
- CompactLight Collaboration, Inverse Compton Scattering source at CLEAR.
- Photocathode R&D: For high repetition rate sources (GHz) and plasmonically assisted photoemission.

- Ion Beam production at ISOLDE employing lasers



Outline

- Part I: Photocathode preparation facility at CERN
 - Development of co-deposition of Cs₂Te and Cs₃Sb photocathodes
 - Lifetime studies in RF and DC guns, XPS surface analysis
 - Plasmonic photocathodes
- Part II: Overview on CERN photoinjector activities
 - CTF3 / CLEAR Facilities
 - AWAKE experiment
 - Laser upgrades for photoinjectors
- Part III: Laser ion source RILIS at ISOLDE
 - The ISOLDE laboratory
 - RILIS laser laboratory
 - Diamond Raman laser development
 - MELISSA radioisotopes for medical applications
- Conclusions and outlook



Part I: Photocathode R&D at CERN

“Common” photocathode technologies

Class	Material	QE	Wavelength	Gun	Application
Normally conducting metals	Cu, Mg	$10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$	UV	NC-RF	Low Rep rate FELs (LCLS, SwissFEL...)
Super-conducting metals	Nb, Pb	$10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$	UV	SC-RF	High Rep rate FELs
Positive electron affinity semiconductor	Cs ₂ Te, Cs ₃ Sb, K ₂ CsSb ...and others...	0.1 – 0.2	Visible – UV	NC-RF, DC	FELs, ERLs
Negative electron affinity semiconductor	GaAs, etc	0.1-0.35	IR – Visible	DC (XHV)	Polarized sources, ERLs (ALICE)

▪ Metals

- Low quantum efficiency -> requires high power lasers -> plasma is formed
- Robust and simple

▪ Semiconductors

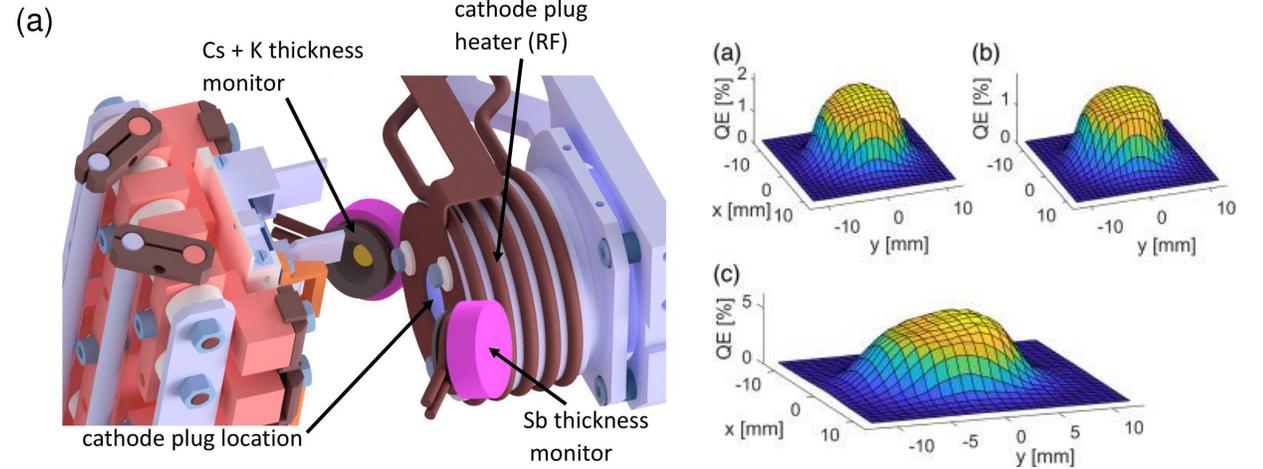
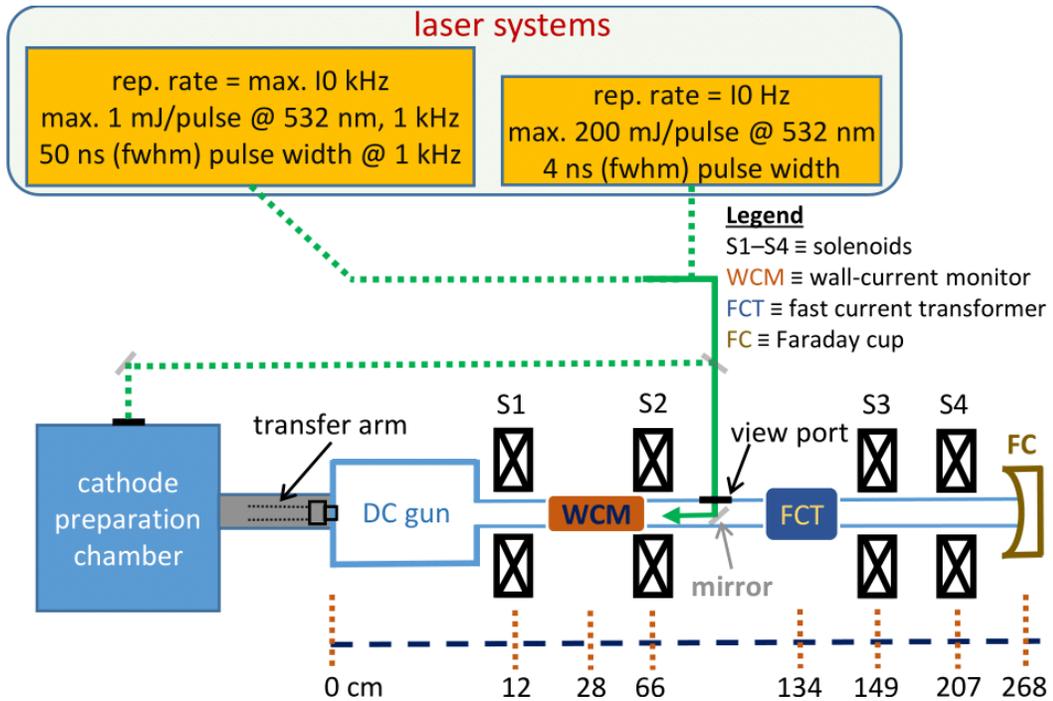
- High quantum efficiency at extended wavelength range.
- More difficult to maintain – x-rays and ions can cause decomposition and surface damage, vacuum...
- Cs₂Te is quite standard, but requires UV

▪ CERN Photoemission lab

- Cs₂Te photocathodes (UV, high QE) → current workhorse for AWAKE and CLEAR guns.
- Bi-alkali photocathodes (green, high charge) → proposed for CLIC.
- Cu cathodes for single bunch RF guns
- NEW: Plasmonically enhanced metal photocathodes.

Photoemission lab @ CERN

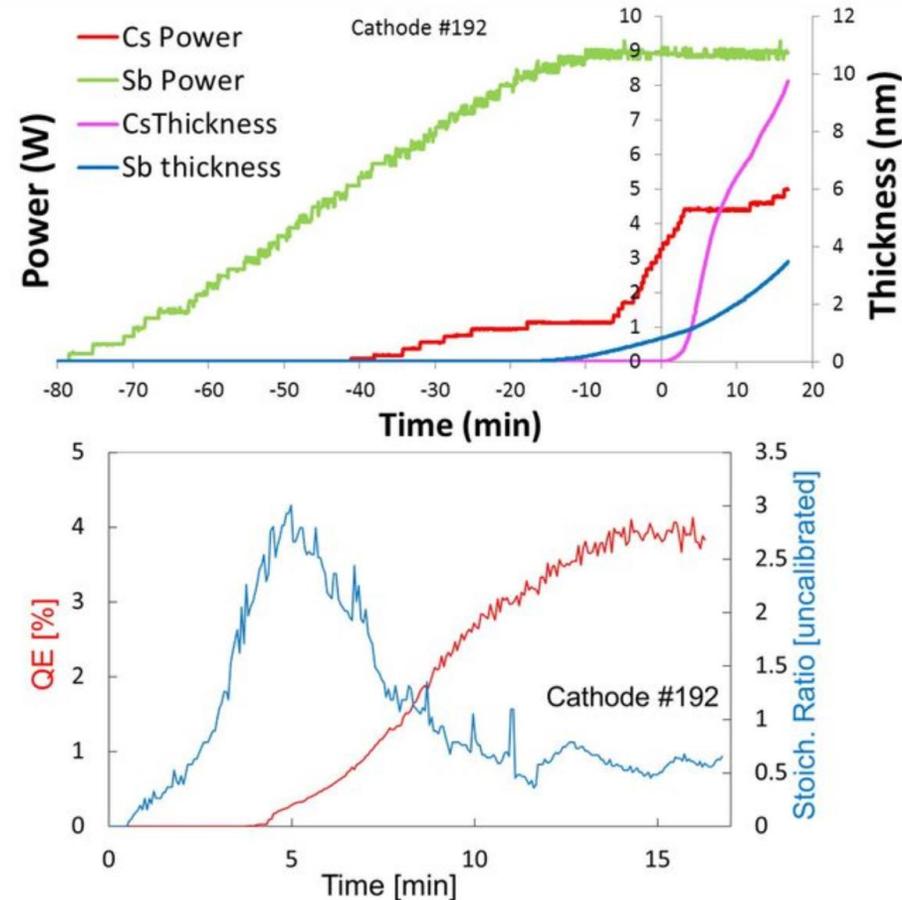
- >25 years producing cathodes
- Fabrication, lifetime studies, characterization



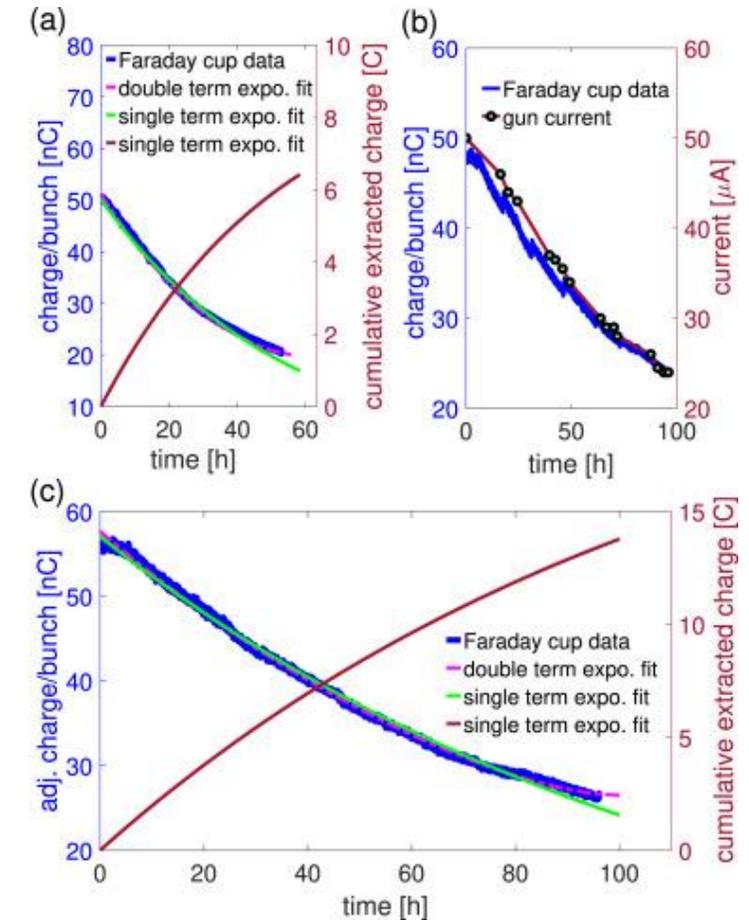
Co-deposition process

- Co-deposition: Cs and Sb (or Te) evaporated at the same time. The metallic elements can mix together in the vapour phase.
- The evaporators power is adjusted in order to reach a maximum value of QE.
- Average pressure during the process is $1e-8$ mbar.
- Once the cathodes are fabricated, they undergo QE testing spatially, lifetime studies and XPS characterization.

Production process

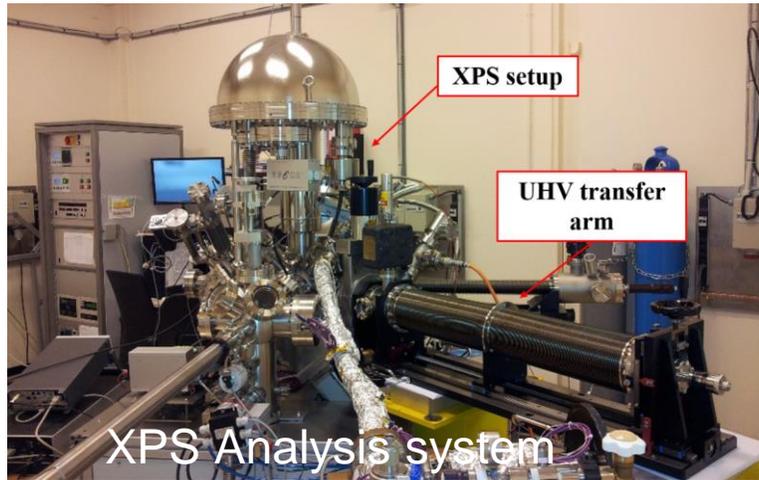
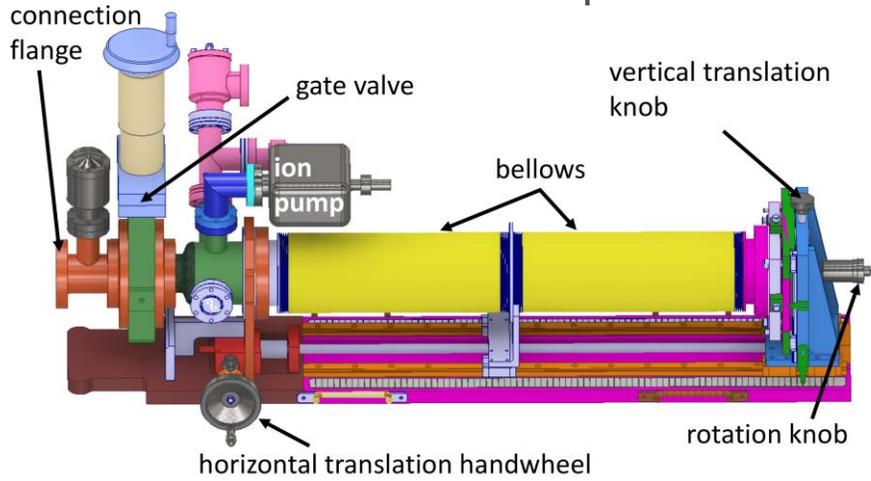


Lifetime studies

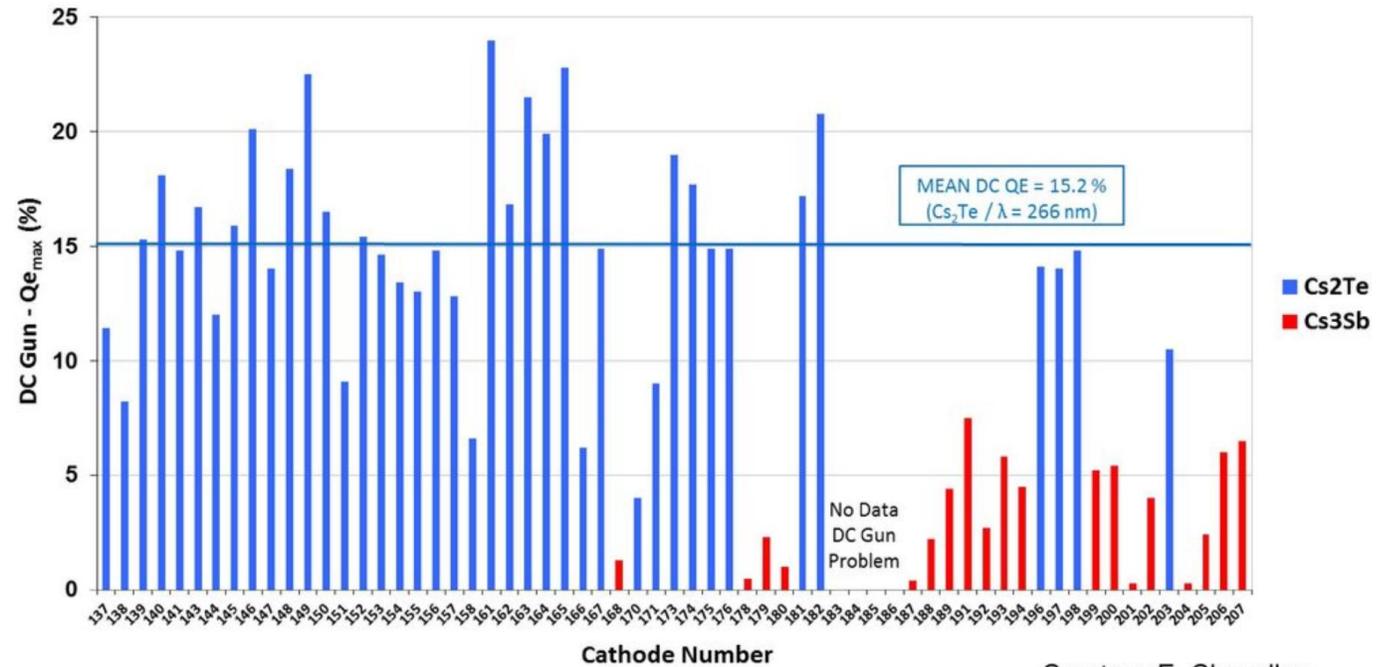


Photocathode production, transport and characterization

Photocathode transport device



Co-Deposition Photocathodes Production at the CERN Photoemission Laboratory
from ~mid 2001 to 2016
Laser Wavelength: Cs₂Te λ = 266 nm / Cs₃Sb λ = 532 nm

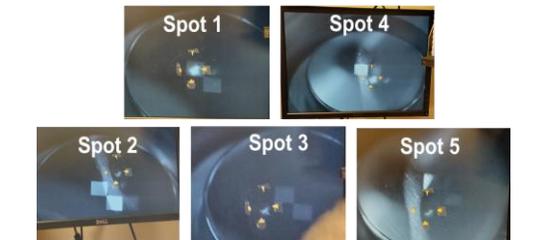
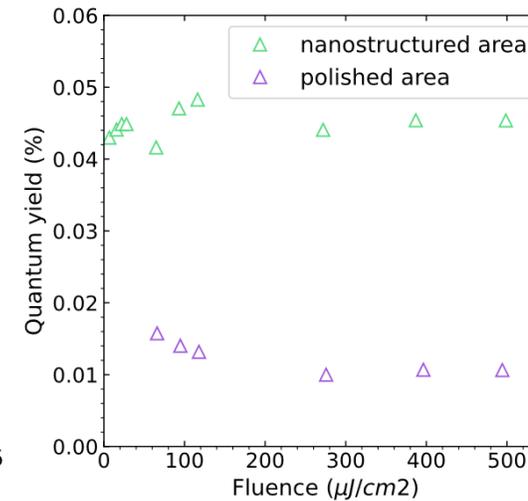
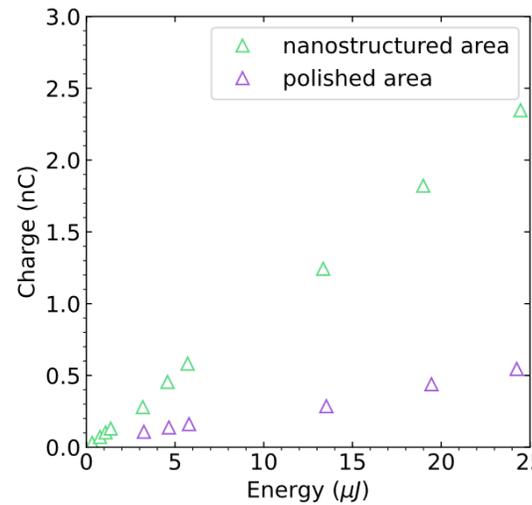
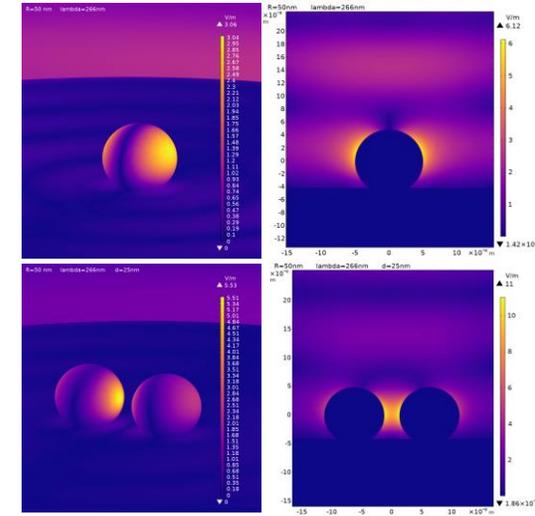
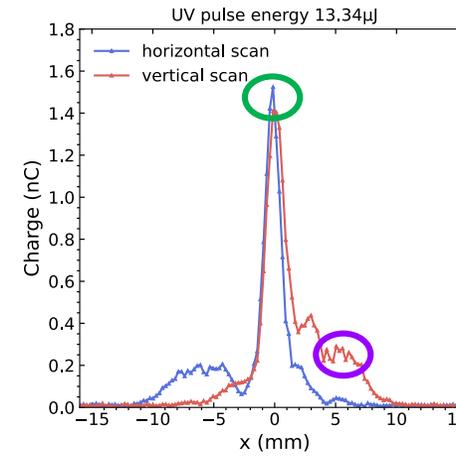
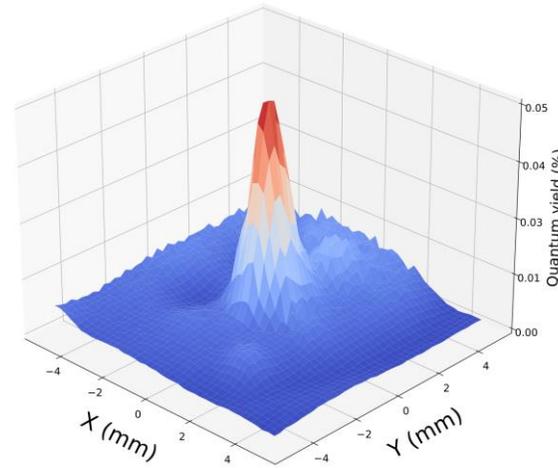
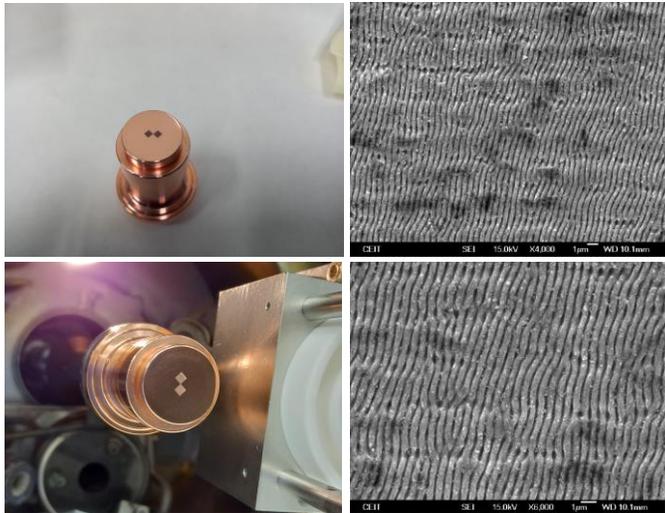


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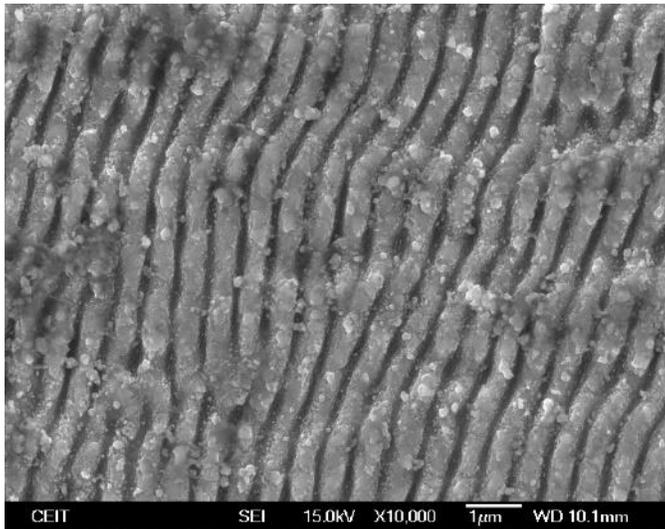
Cs₃Sb and Cs₂Te photocathode experience at CERN

- Cs₃Sb seems to be less robust than Cs₂Te and more sensitive to non-optimal operation conditions.
- For obtaining good lifetimes with Cs₃Sb cathodes it is important to have the following conditions:
 - Excellent vacuum
 - Very stable phase between RF and laser
 - Linear charge extraction regime of the gun. Otherwise non-extracted e- can cause desorption in the gun -> bad lifetime.
 - Good laser beam shape characteristics
- More studies are needed, but mature technology with great potential for high charge production in ERLs for example.
- Capability of adapting photocathode design to specific projects, including future accelerators such as LHeC and FCC-eh.

Plasmonically enhanced metallic photocathodes

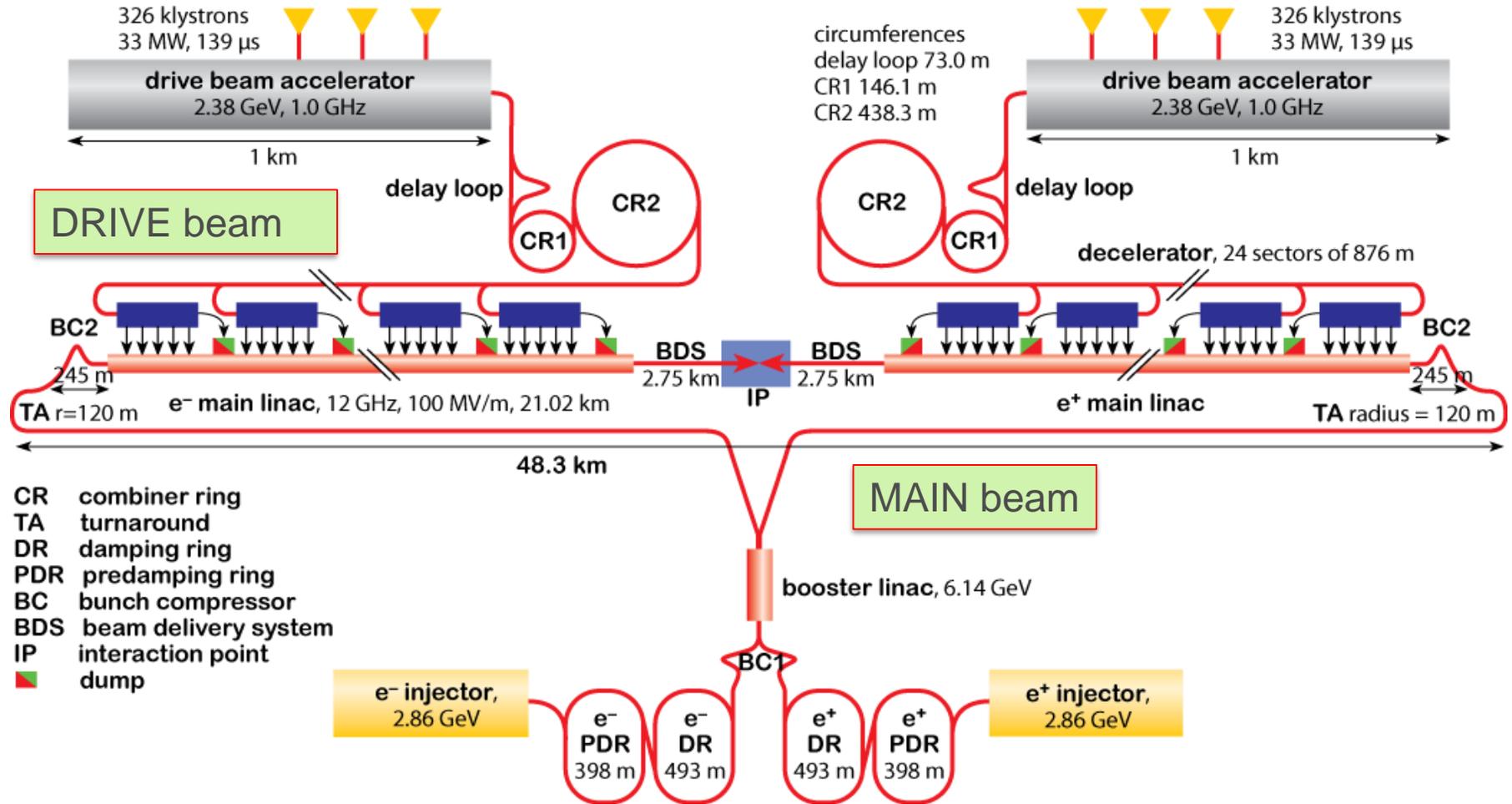


Name	Cu2p	O1s	C1s	K2p	Te3d	Cs3d
XPS_spot_01	42.8	16.1	20.1	0.2	20.1	0.6
XPS_spot_02	44.1	5.6	21.0	0.1	28.0	1.0
XPS_spot_03	44.3	4.0	22.7	0.1	27.8	1.0
XPS_spot_04	42.9	14.8	20.3	0.3	21.1	0.6
XPS_spot_05	43.9	4.7	22.1	0.1	28.3	1.0

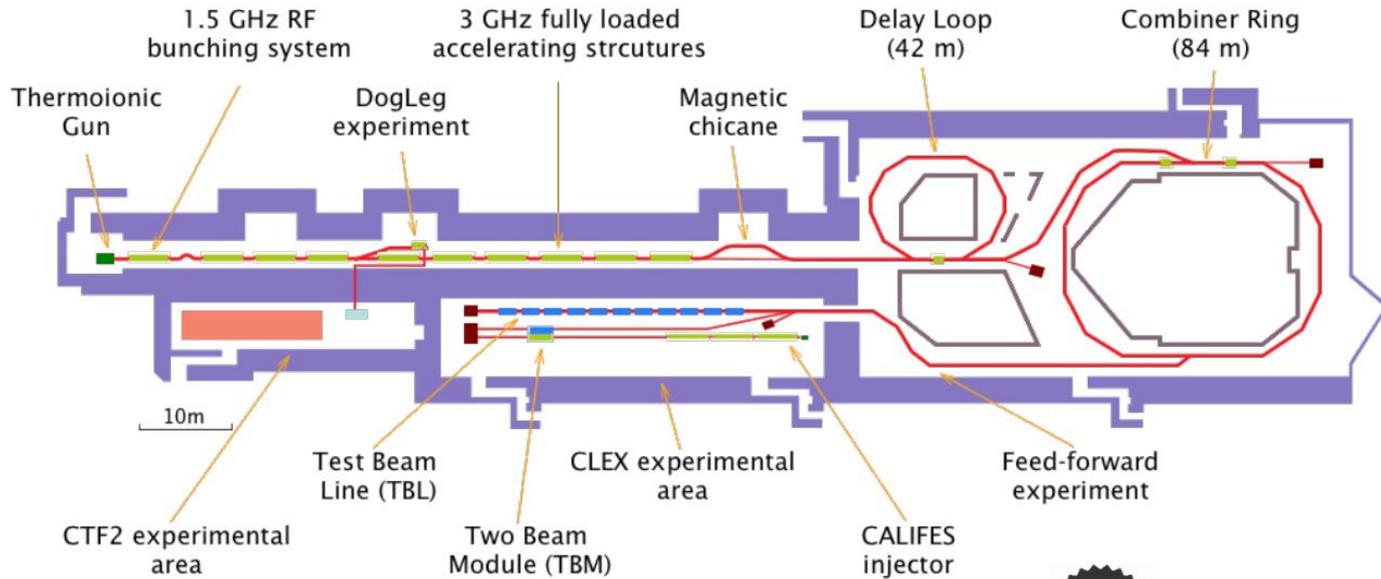


Part II: CERN Photoinjector activities

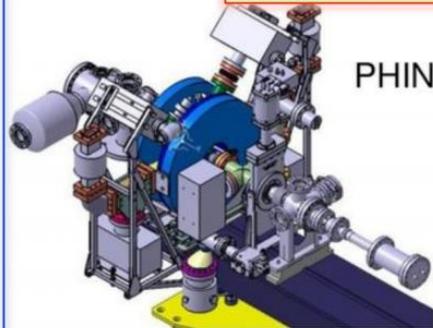
CLIC accelerator concept



CLIC Test Facility (CTF3)



DRIVE beam



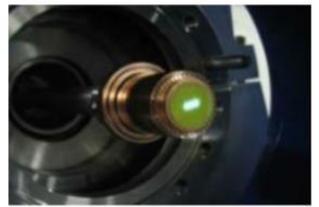
PHIN
Cs₂Te / Cs₃Sb
Co-deposition

Now at:



MAIN beam

Cs₂Te @ CALIFES
In-situ, dual layer



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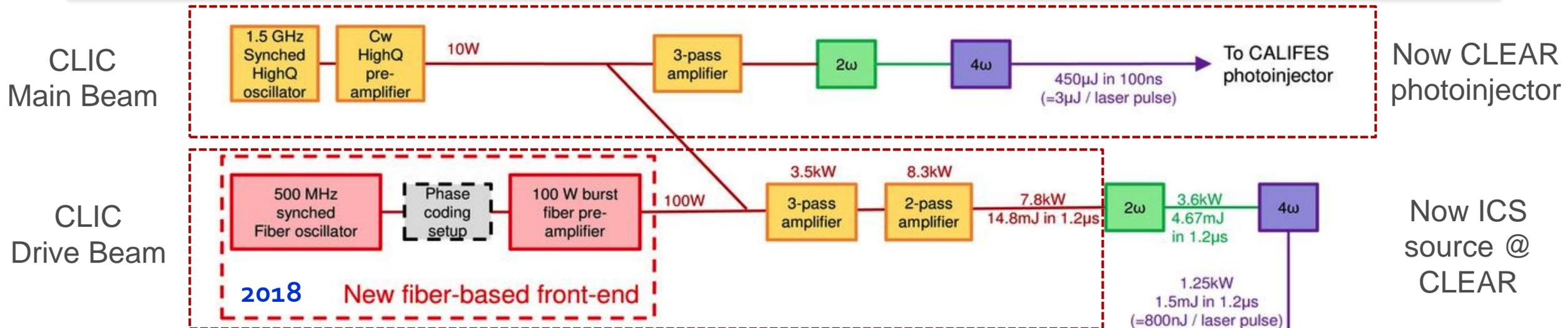
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Test facility for:

- X-band technology
- Bunch compression
- Advanced beam dynamics
- Plasma lens, AWAKE...
- Wakefield physics
- Radiation studies



Laser development for CLIC

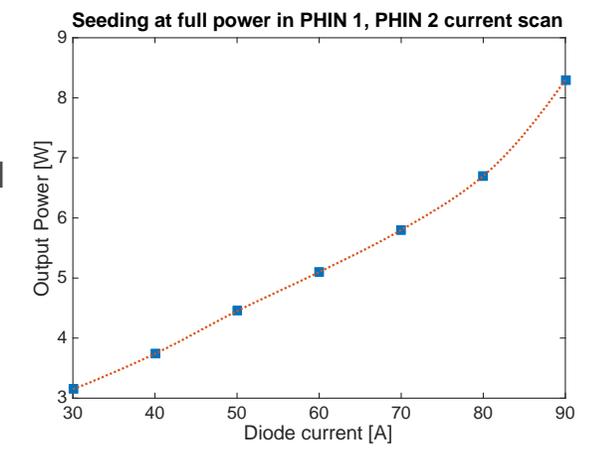
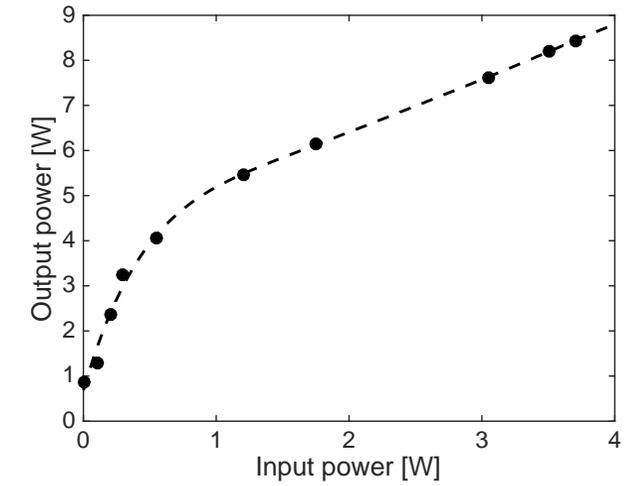
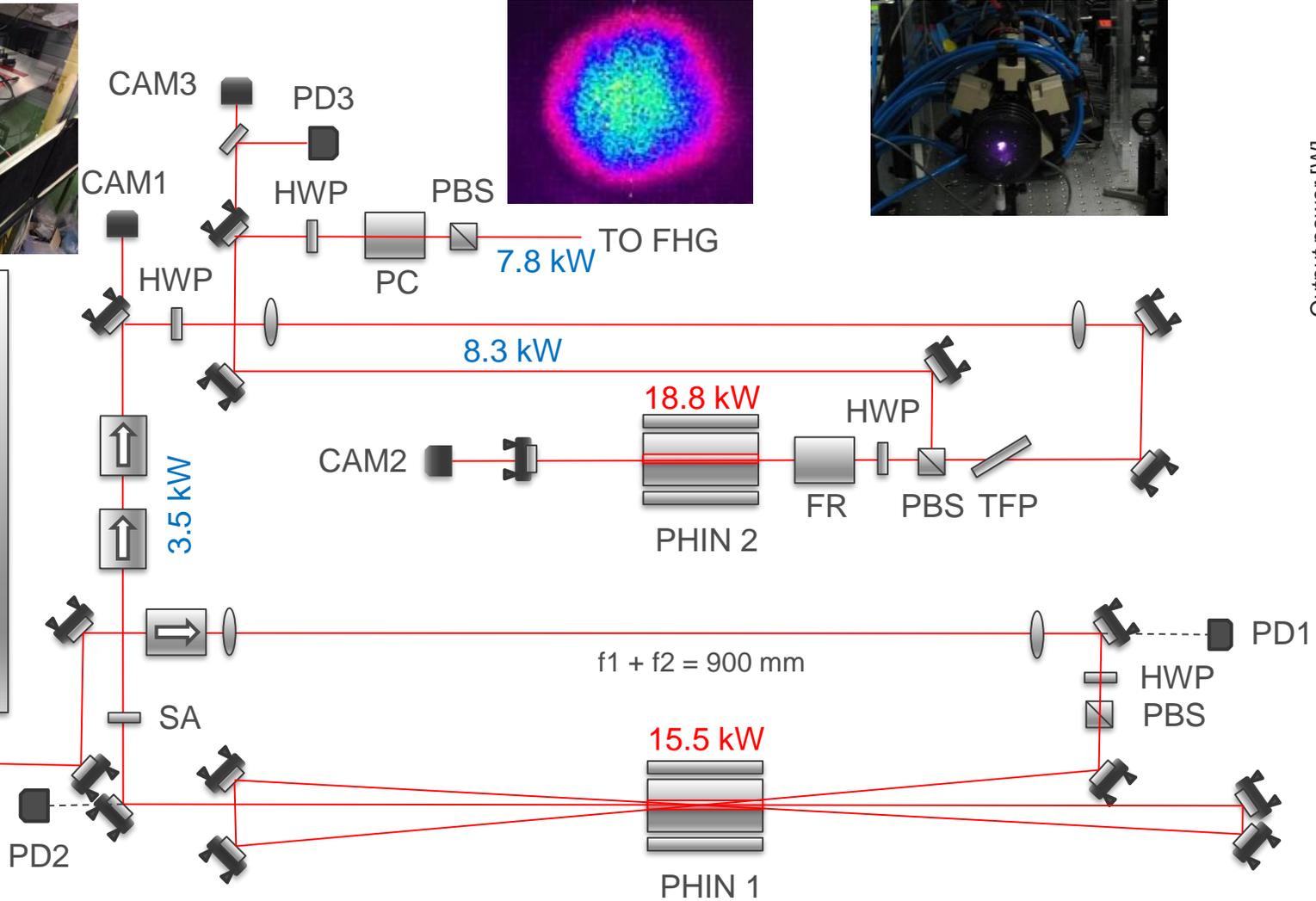
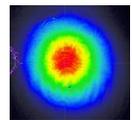
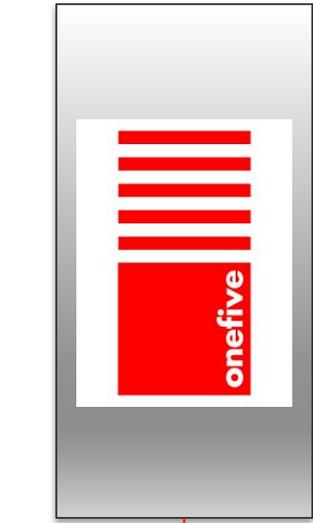
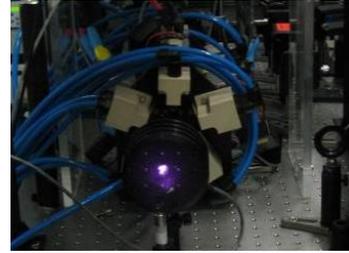
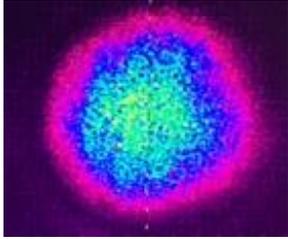
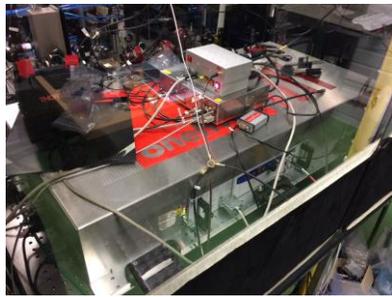


Now CLEAR photoinjector

Now ICS source @ CLEAR

	DRIVE beam		MAIN beam	
	PHIN	CALIFES	PHIN	CALIFES
Electrons				
charge/bunch (nC)	2.3	0.6		
Number of subtrains	8	NA		
Number of pulses in subtrain	212	NA		
gate (ns)	1272	20-150		
bunch spacing(ns)	0.666	0.666		
bunch length (ps)	10	10		
Rf replate (GHz)	1.5	1.5		
number of bunches	1802	32		
machine replate (Hz)	5	5		
margin for the laser	1.5	1.5		
charge stability	<0.25%	<3%		
QE(%) of Cs2Te cathode	3	0.3		

CLIC drive beam laser in 2022 (now for Inverse Compton Scattering experiments at CLEAR in 2023)



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- 2 laser set-ups at CLEAR suitable for ICS:
 - PHIN 1 has a lower burst repetition rate of 5 Hz. The beam quality is low, more than 50% power may not be coupled with the best mode matching.
 - The One-five laser is useful for higher Q cavities. It has a near-perfect beam quality, compact and fully independent of the CLEAR control system → would like to consider this laser for FP cavity
- Fabry-Perot enhancement cavity in burst mode could be feasible

Parameter	PHIN 1	One-five	Photo-injector	Unit
P_{avg}	7	2	10	W/s
Burst rep rate	5	10	10	Hz
Micropulse rep rate	0.5	0.5	1.5	GHz
Burst duration	< 300 μ s	< 1 ms	< 120 ns	
Wavelength	1047	1047	1047	nm
Pulse duration	4	4	4.7	ps
Micropule energy	9.3	0.4	10–15	μ J
Burst energy	1400	200	2.3	mJ
# pulses in each burst, N_p	150,000	500,000	180	

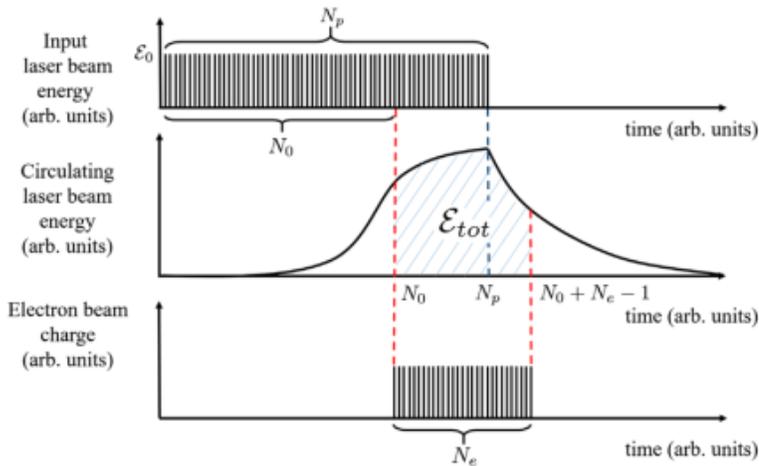


Table 2: Projected parameters of the photons generated by the HPCI-based ICS source.

Parameter	Value	Unit
Energy	360	keV
Source <i>rms</i> spot size, σ_γ	10	μ m
Total flux, \mathcal{F}	9×10^{13}	ph/s
Flux in a 1.5 mrad cone	2×10^{13}	ph/s
Average brilliance, \mathcal{B}	4×10^{14}	1
Peak brilliance, $\hat{\mathcal{B}}$	3×10^{22}	1

¹ ph/(s mm² mrad² 0.1%BW).

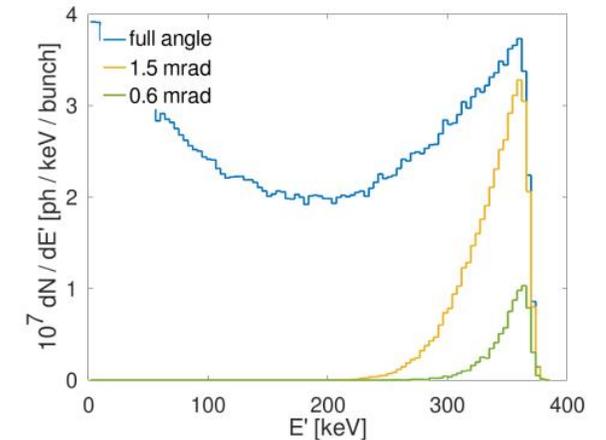


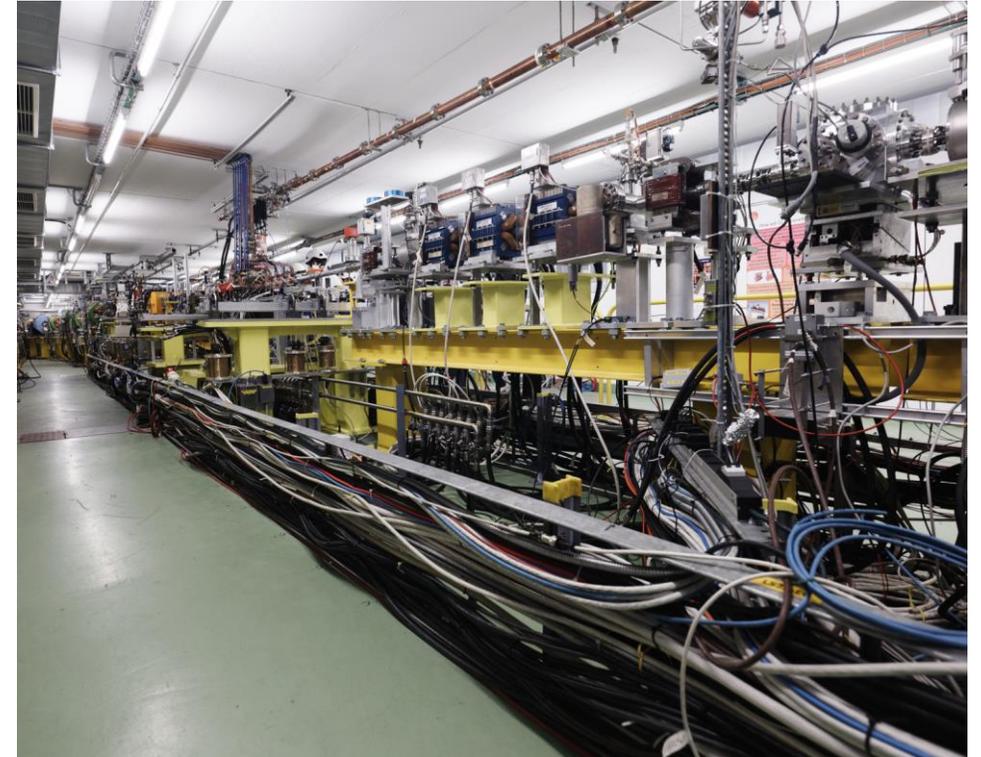
Figure 2: Scattered photon spectra from RF-Track generated by the HPCI-based ICS source. The 0.6 mrad spectrum corresponds to an energy bandwidth of 5%.

Pierre Favier et al, Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams **21**, 121601 (2018)

CLIC main beam -> CLEAR facility

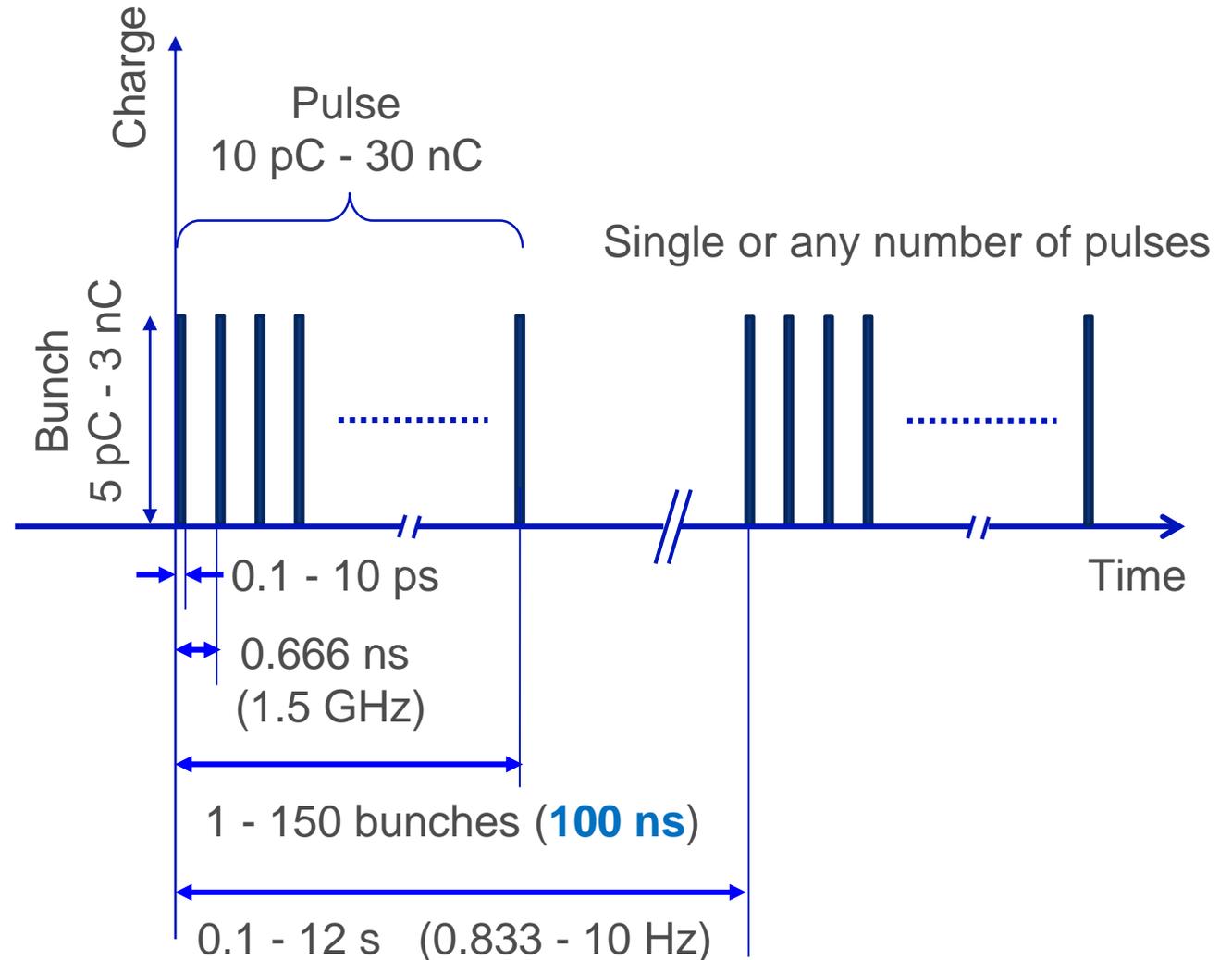


- Multipurpose e- accelerator operating since 2017 and until 2025.
 - CLEAR is a versatile 200 MeV electron linac + a 20 m experimental beamline, operated at CERN as a multi-purpose user facility.
 - Currently **>98% uptime** for photoinjector.
 - Providing a test facility at CERN with **high availability, easy access and high quality e- beams**.
 - Performing R&D on accelerator components, including beam instrumentation prototyping and **high gradient RF technology**
 - Providing an irradiation facility with high-energy electrons, e.g. for testing electronic components in collaboration with ESA or for medical purposes (**VHEE/FLASH**)
 - Performing R&D on novel accelerating techniques – electron driven plasma and THz acceleration.
 - Maintaining CERN and European expertise for electron linacs linked to future collider studies

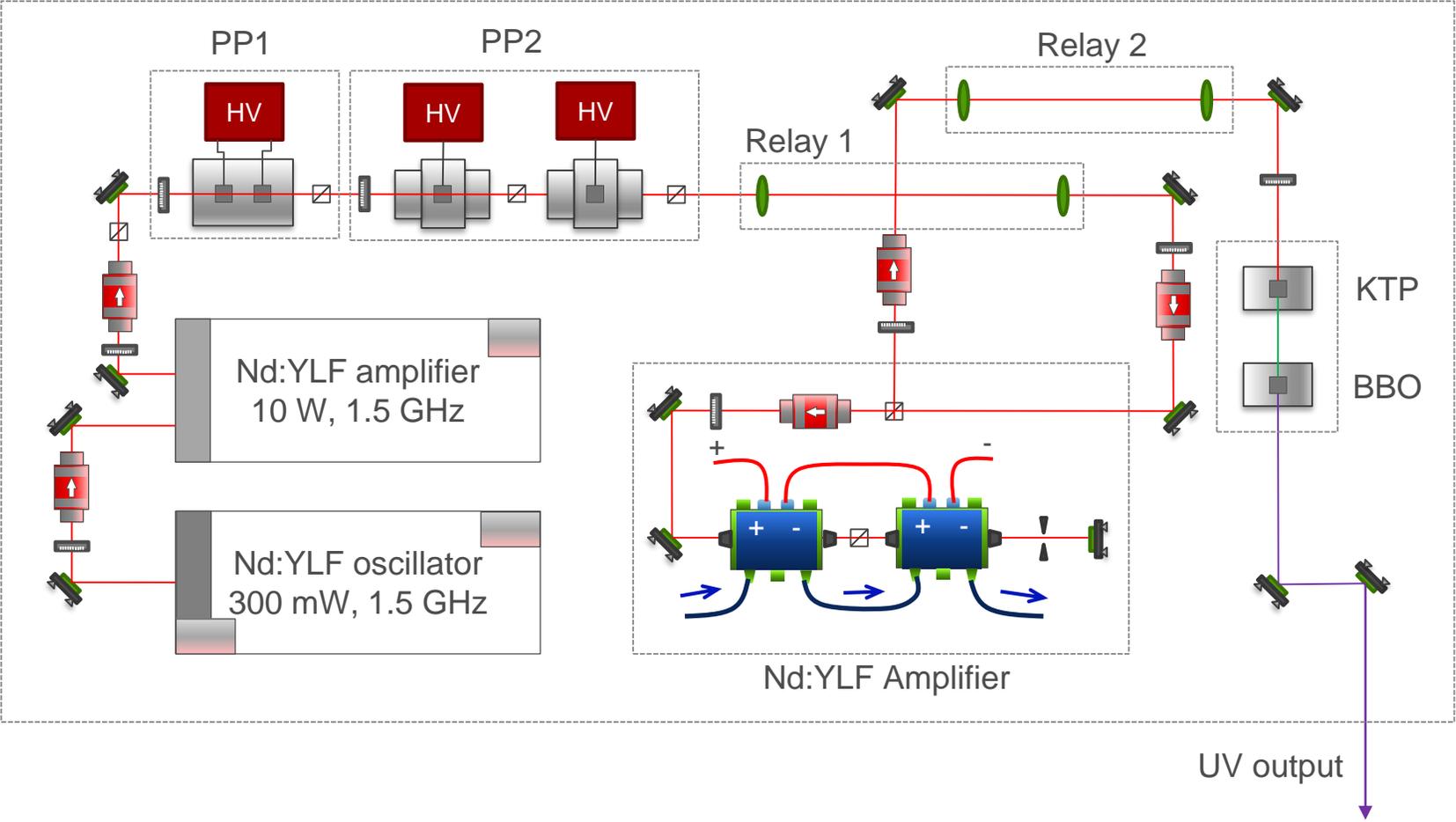


CLEAR Facility photoinjector

Beam parameter	Range
Energy	60 – 220 MeV
Energy Spread	< 0.2 % rms (< 1 MeV FWHM)
Bunch Length	0.1 ps – 10 ps rms
Bunch Charge	5 pC – 2 nC
Number of bunches per train	1 to ~150
Maximum total train charge	80 nC
Normalized emittances	3 mm to 30 mm (bunch charge dependent)
Repetition rate	0.8 to 10 Hz
Bunch spacing	1.5 GHz (from Laser) or 3GHz (double-pulse setup in the UV)



CLEAR laser development



CLEAR laser development



Oscillator output

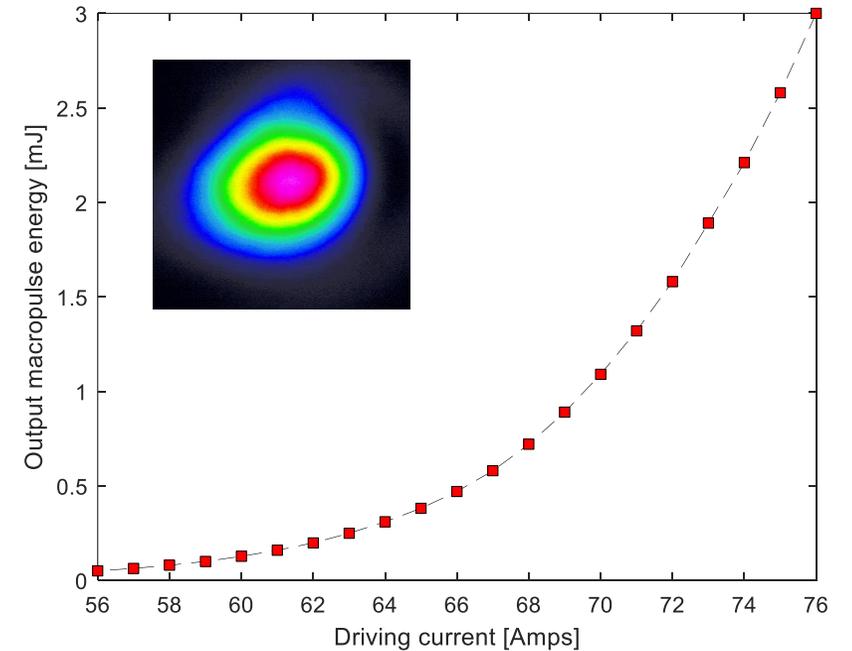
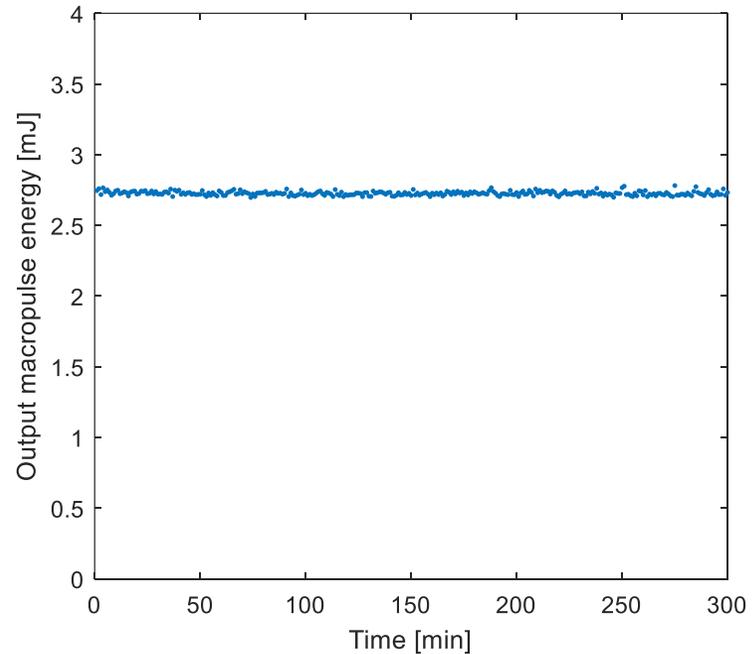
Parameter	Value
P_avg	321.1 mW
P_max	322.6 mW
P_min	320.2 mW
P_std	0.47%
Pk-Pk	0.75%

Pre-amp output

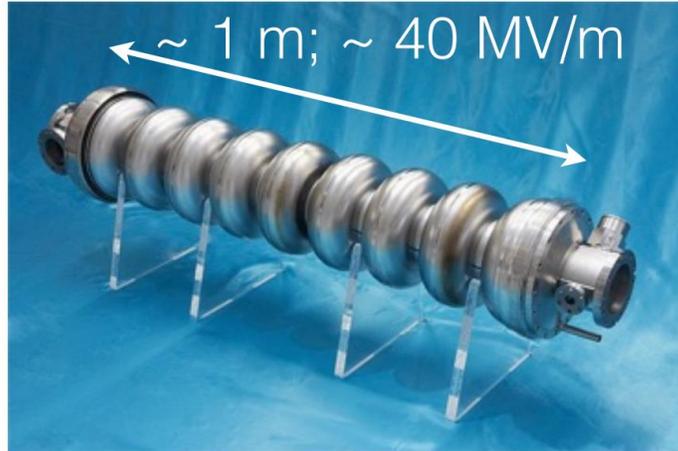
Parameter	Current value
P_avg	9.68 W
P_max	9.75 W
P_min	9.60 W
P_std	0.37%
Pk-Pk	1.53%

Main amplifier output

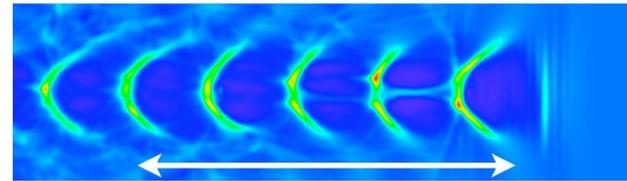
Parameter	Value
E_avg	2.726 mJ
E_max	2.781 mJ
E_min	2.697 mJ
E_std	0.52%
Pk-Pk	3.08%



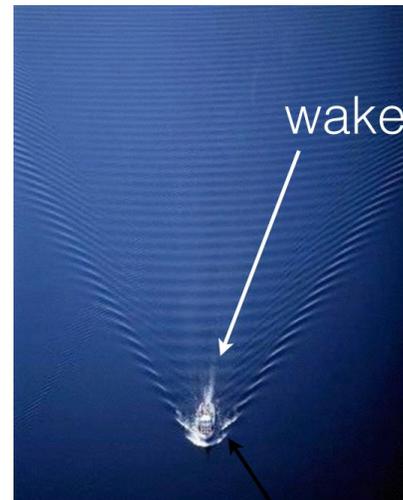
PHIN electron gun -> AWAKE Collaboration



a section of RF cavity

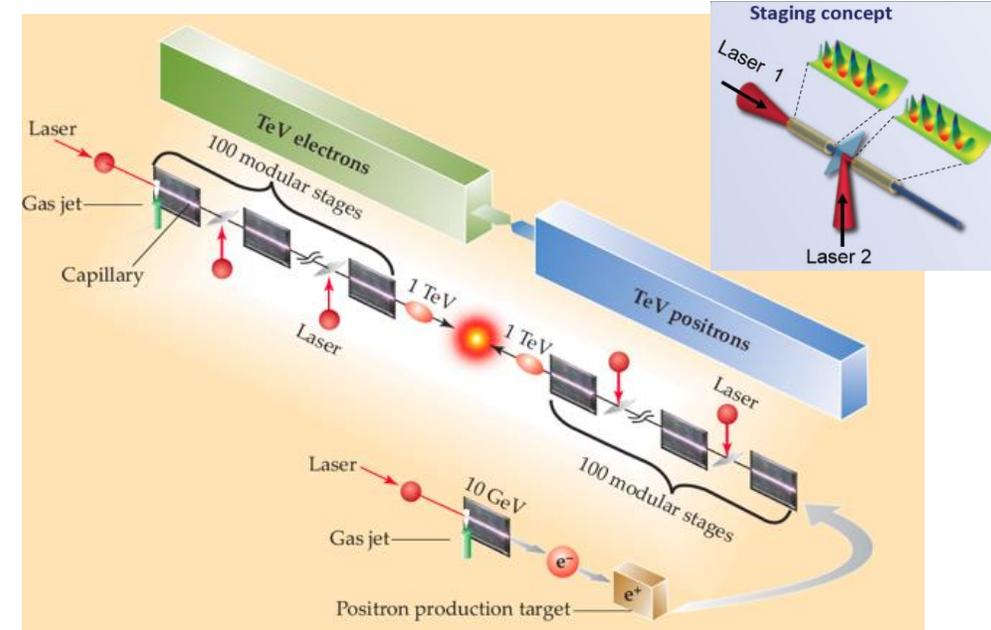


$\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$; $\sim 100 \text{ GV/m}$
a plasma wave



boat

- Conventional Accelerators are large (100 m) and expensive (10-100 M\$)
- Conventional accelerators cannot achieve better than a few 10 MV/m or you get breakdown
- Plasma waves are a possible alternative – providing a route to small scale accelerators and radiation sources



e⁺/e⁻ collider @ 1 TeV in a few 100s meters

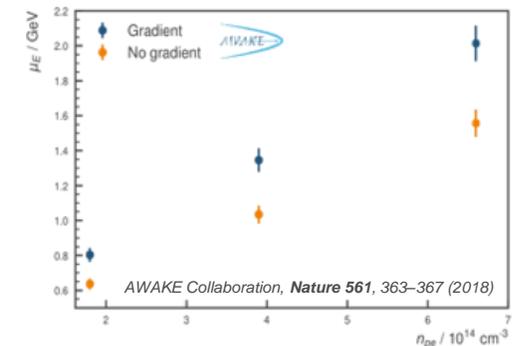
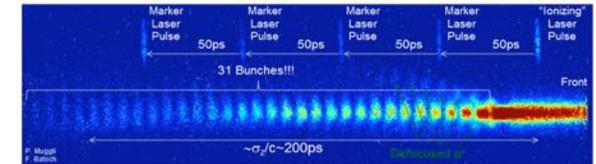
Laser technology to develop
 High repetition rate (10's kHz)
 High average power (100's kW)
 High efficiency (10's de %)

Leemans & Esarey, Physics Today 2009

Advanced Proton Driven Plasma Wakefield Acceleration Experiment (AWAKE)



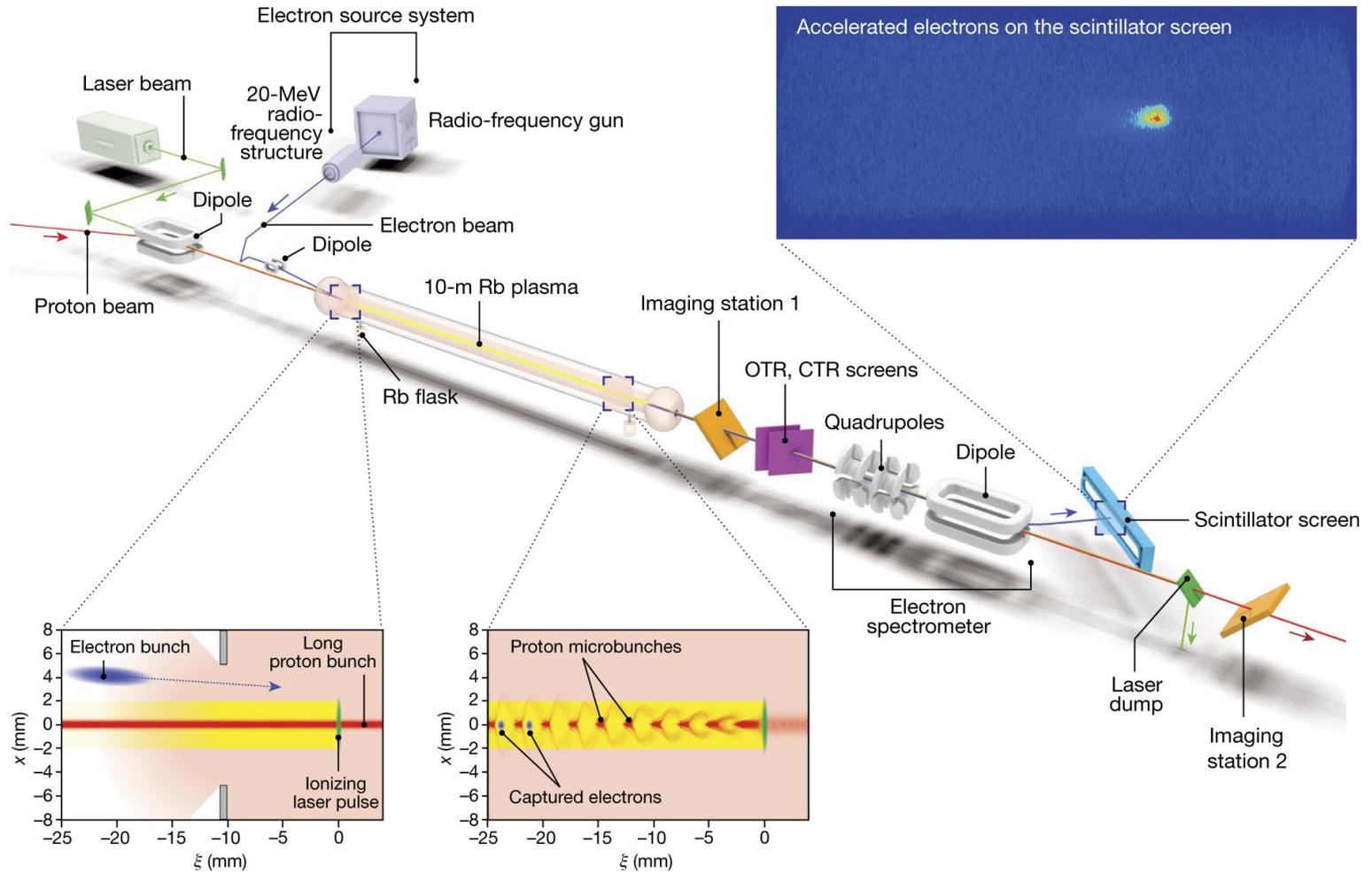
- Accelerator R&D project based at CERN, taking advantage of high energy proton beams
- “It is a proof-of-principle experiment investigating the use of plasma wakefields driven by a proton bunch to accelerate charged particles”
- Collaboration of 22 institutes world-wide
- AWAKE Run 1:
 - 1st milestone: Demonstrate seeded self-modulation of the proton bunch in plasma (2016/2017)
 - 2nd milestone: Demonstrate electron acceleration in plasma wakefield driven by a self-modulated proton bunch (2018)
- AWAKE Run 2 (2021-2028):
 - Accelerate an electron beam to higher energies of 0.5-1 GV/m while preserving the electron beam quality and demonstrate scalable plasma sources technology.
- AWAKE after 2028: Application to physics experiments (dark photon search etc).



AWAKE Run 1

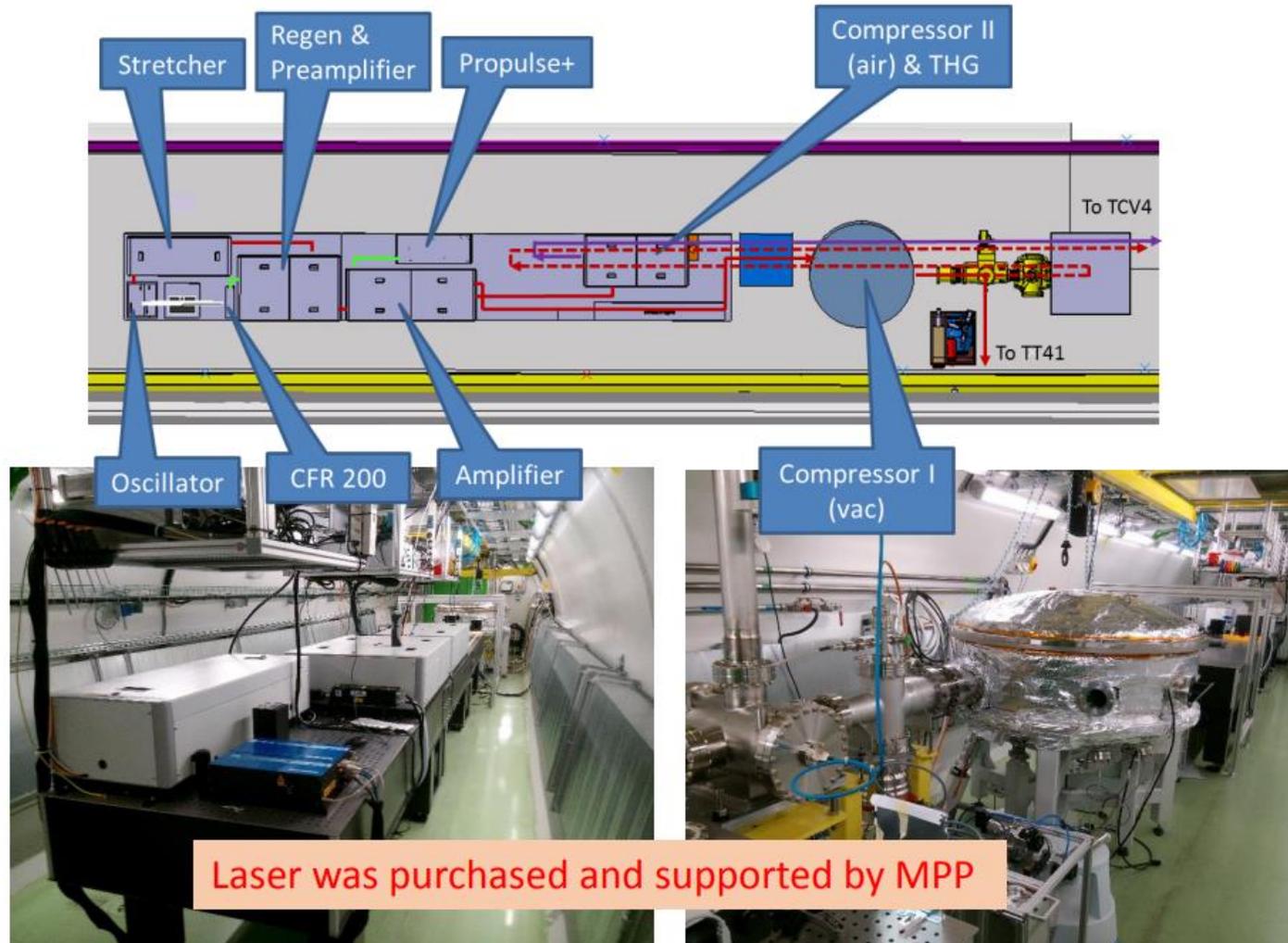


- Proof-of-principle experiment: wakefield plasma acceleration using a proton bunch as a driver, a world-wide first.
- It demonstrated acceleration of a low-energy witness bunch of electrons from 15-20 MeV to several GeV over a short distance (~10 m) by creating a high acceleration gradient of several GV/m
- Our contribution:
 - UV beam generation, delivery, and photocathode, diagnostics.
 - IR beam delivery for plasma generation, diagnostics.
 - Experimental and laser support



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AWAKE Run 1 laser beamlines



Laser beam to plasma cell

- $\lambda = 780 \text{ nm}$
- $t \text{ pulse} = 120 \text{ fs}$
- $E = 450 \text{ mJ}$

Laser beam to streak camera ("time marker")

- $\lambda = 780 \text{ nm}$
- $t \text{ pulse} = 120 \text{ fs}$,
- $E \approx 0.01 \text{ mJ}$

Laser beam to electron gun

- $\lambda = 260 \text{ nm}$
- $t \text{ pulse} = 0.3\text{-}10 \text{ ps}$
- $E = 0.1 - 2 \mu\text{J}$

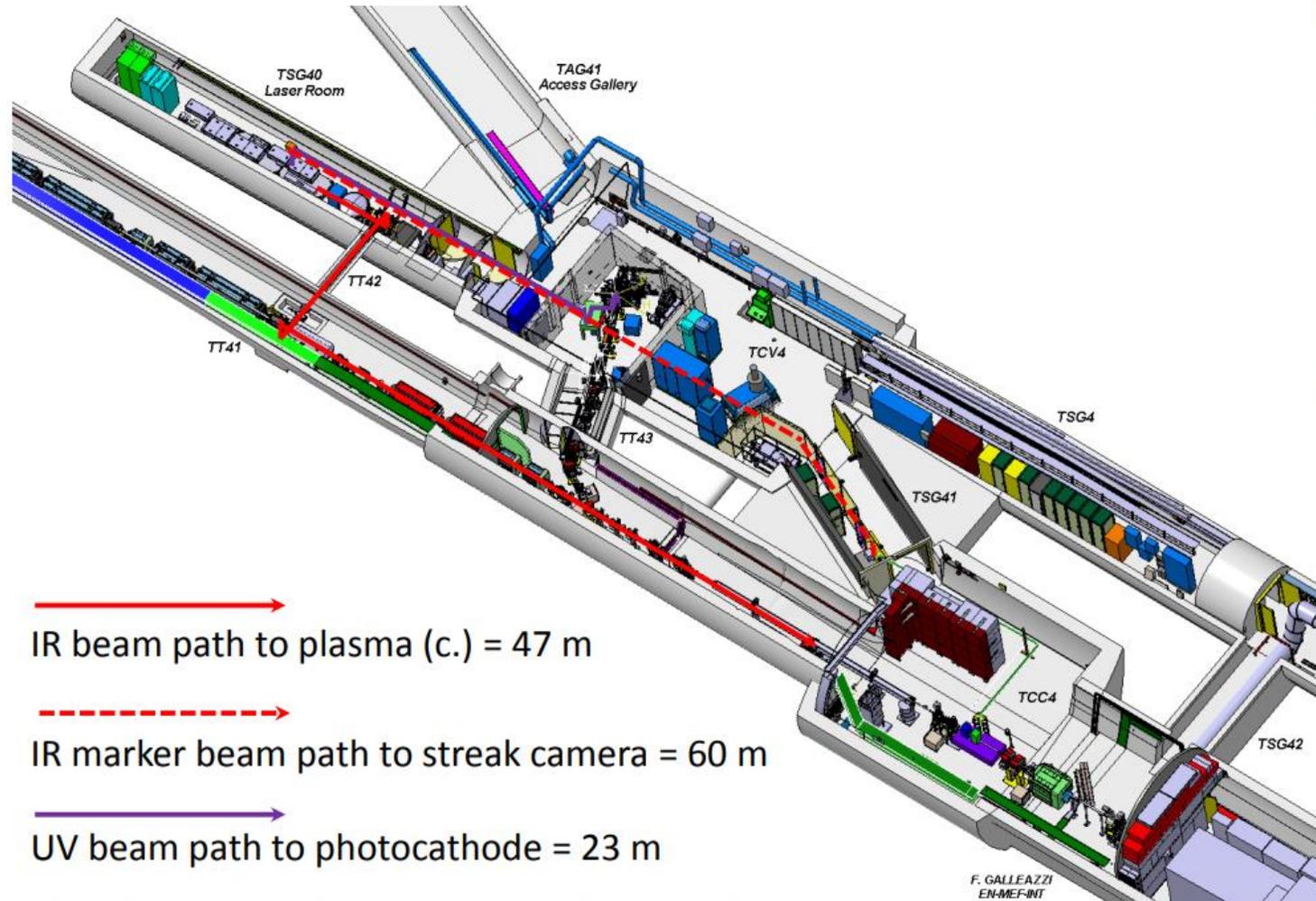
Problems and their mitigation

- Pointing instability
 - Use of rigid support for optics
 - Applying beam imaging
 - Transport in vacuum

- Beam drifts
 - Temperature stabilization
 - Alignment algorithm

Optics damage

- Beam size increasing
- Decreasing the pulse energy within the possible margin:
 $E(\text{IR}) < 200 \text{ mJ}$



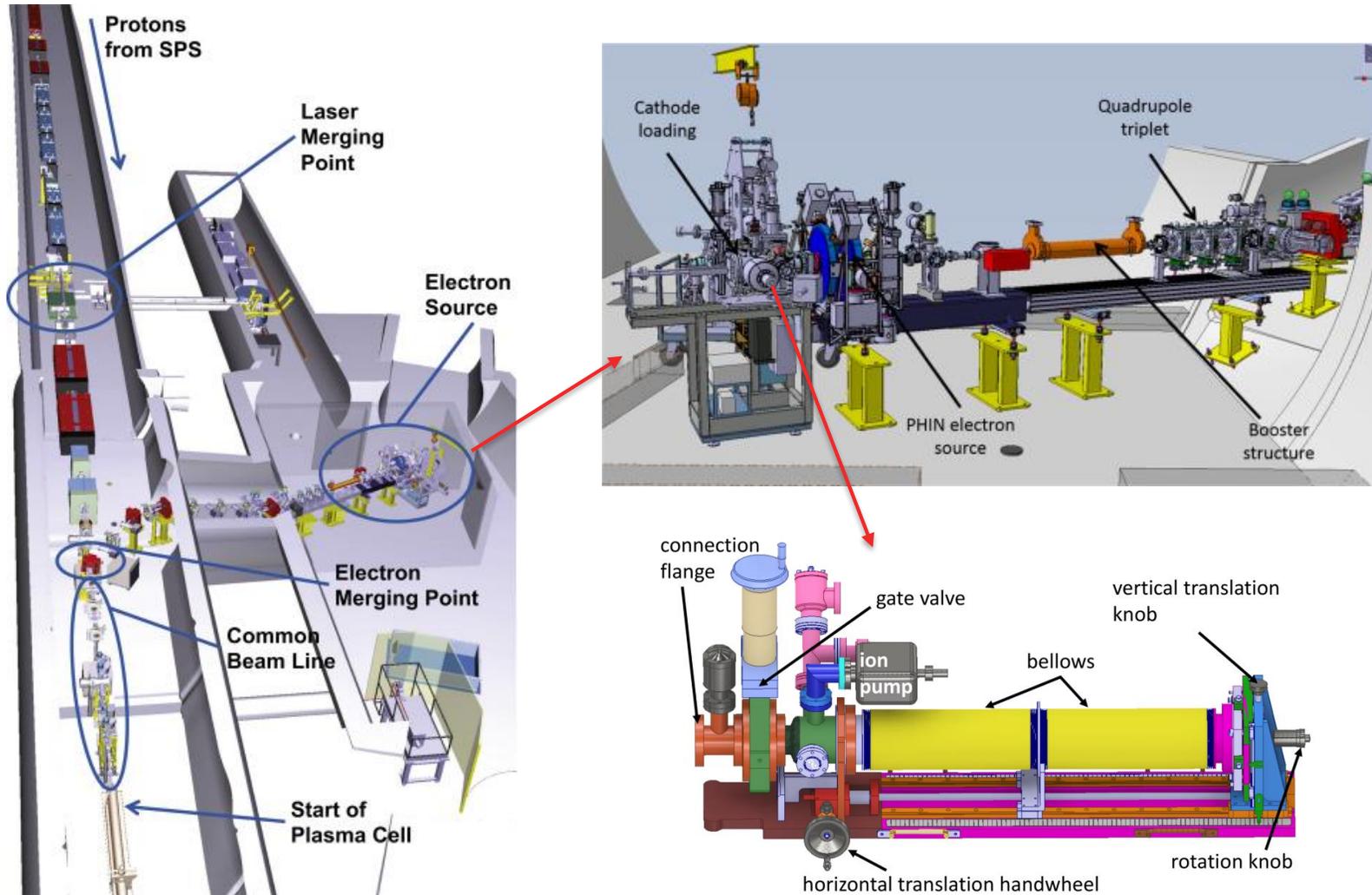
IR beam path to plasma (c.) = 47 m

IR marker beam path to streak camera = 60 m

UV beam path to photocathode = 23 m

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AWAKE Run 1 e- injector

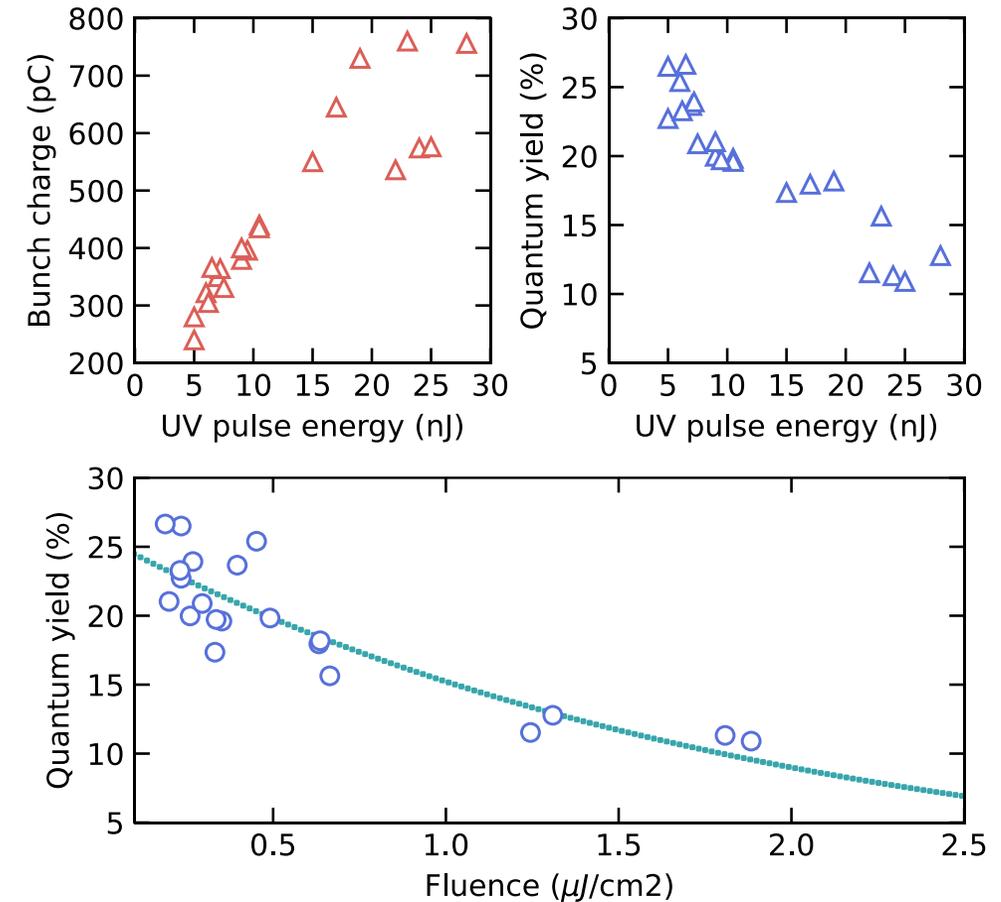


Cs₂Te cathodes produced in the Photoemission lab

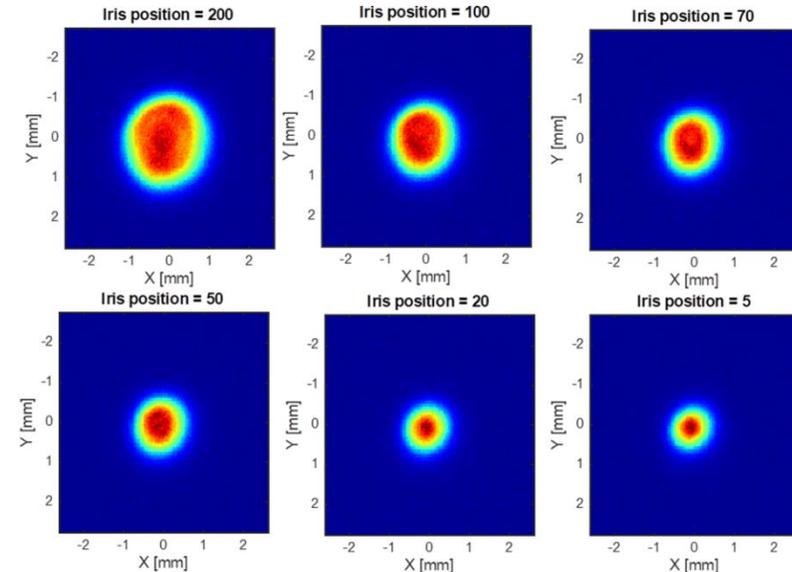
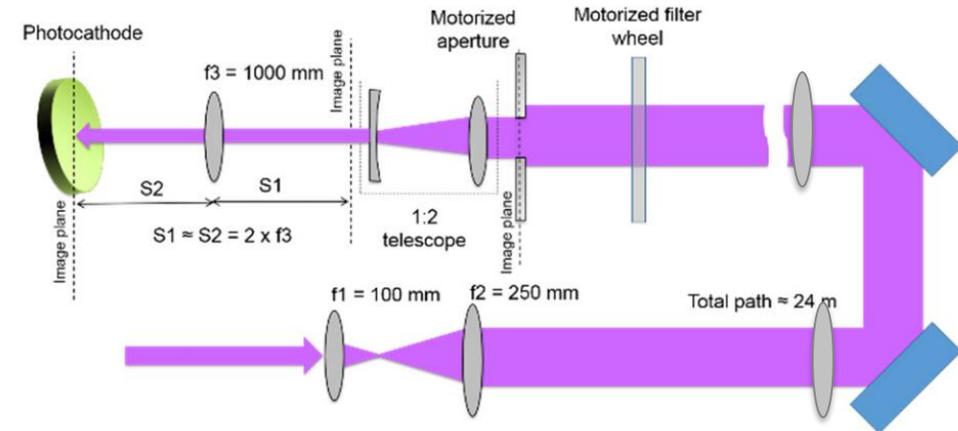
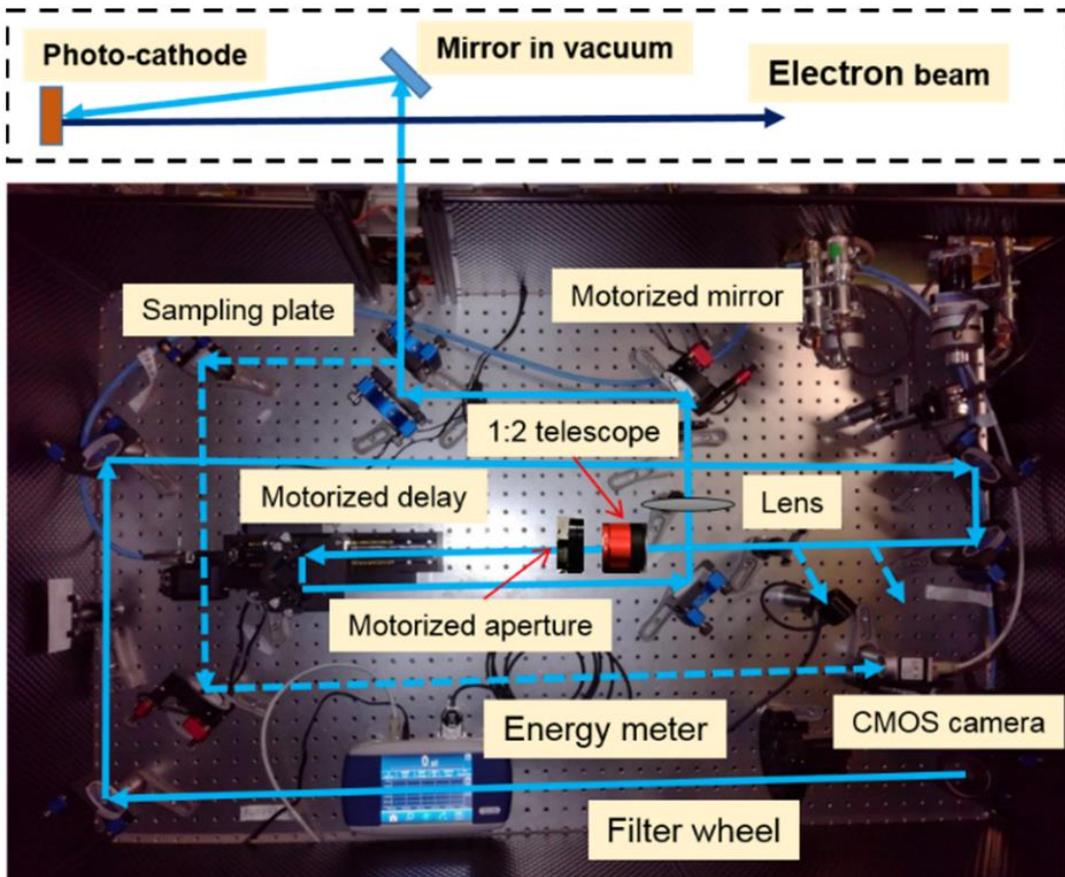
Parameter	Value
Beam energy	18.5 MeV
Energy spread	0.5 %
Stability	10 ⁻²
RMS bunch length	2-3 ps
Bunch charge	100-600 pC
Emittance	2-5 μm
Beam size plasma focus	~190 μm

AWAKE Photocathode

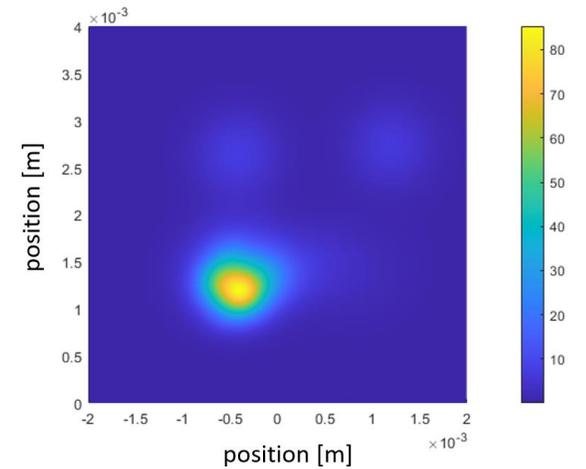
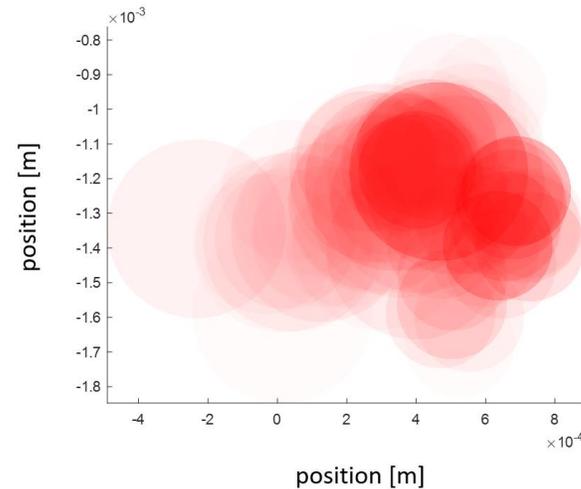
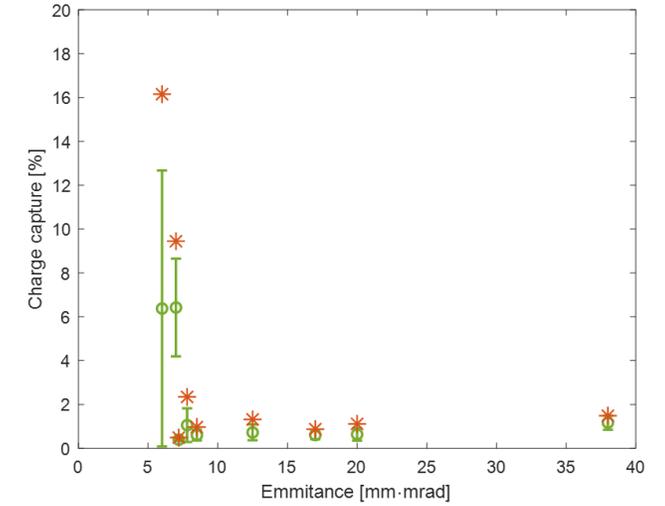
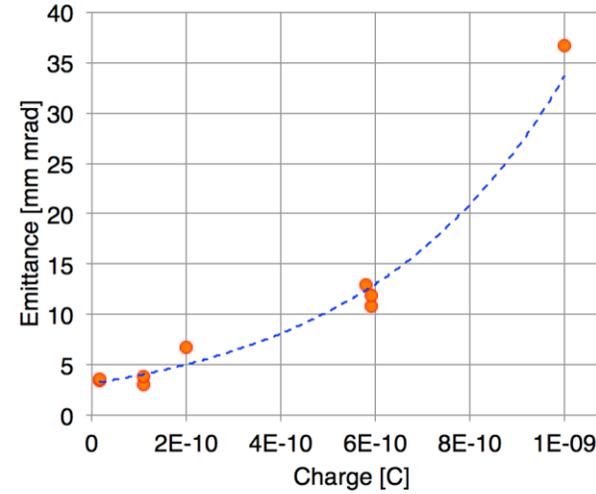
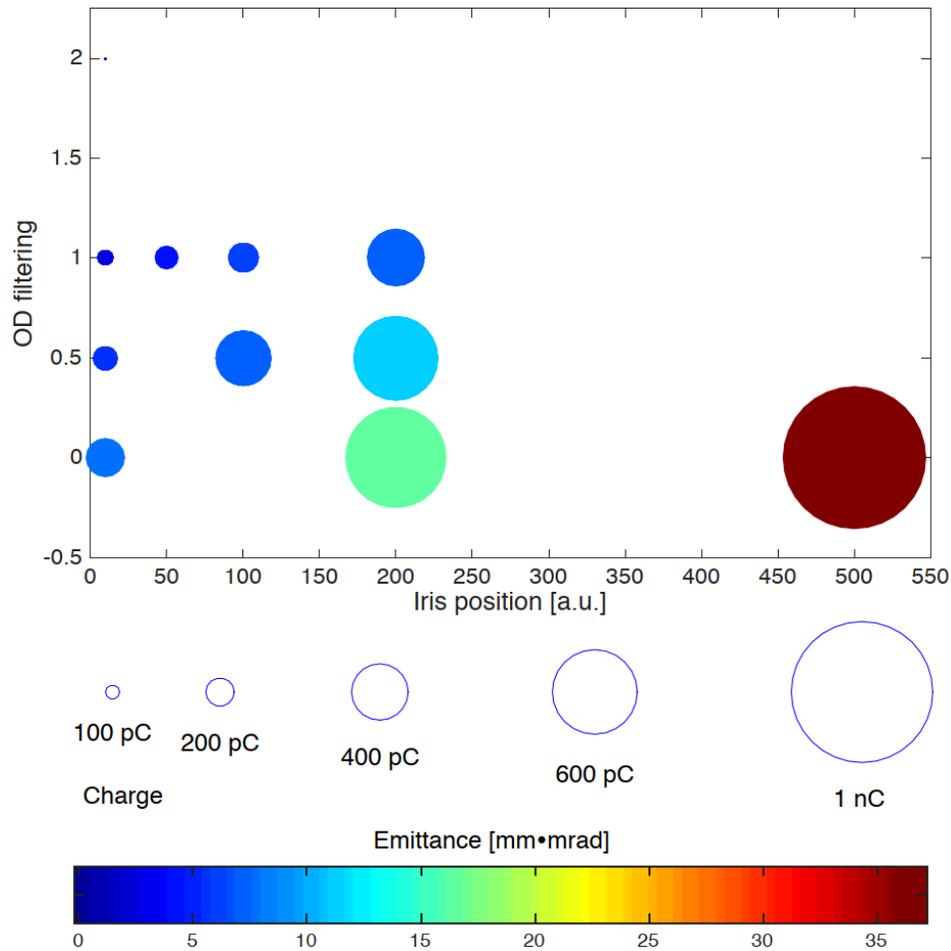
- Photocathode performance at AWAKE RF-photoinjector
 - **Maximum measured QE ~ 26%**, good agreement with DC-GUN measurements
 - Saturation Fluence ~ $1.5 \mu\text{J}/\text{cm}^2$
 - Issues to measure pulse energy below 5 nJ and charge higher than 800pC during the commissioning tests
 - Photocathode performing very well during last months of intense operation at AWAKE run 2b



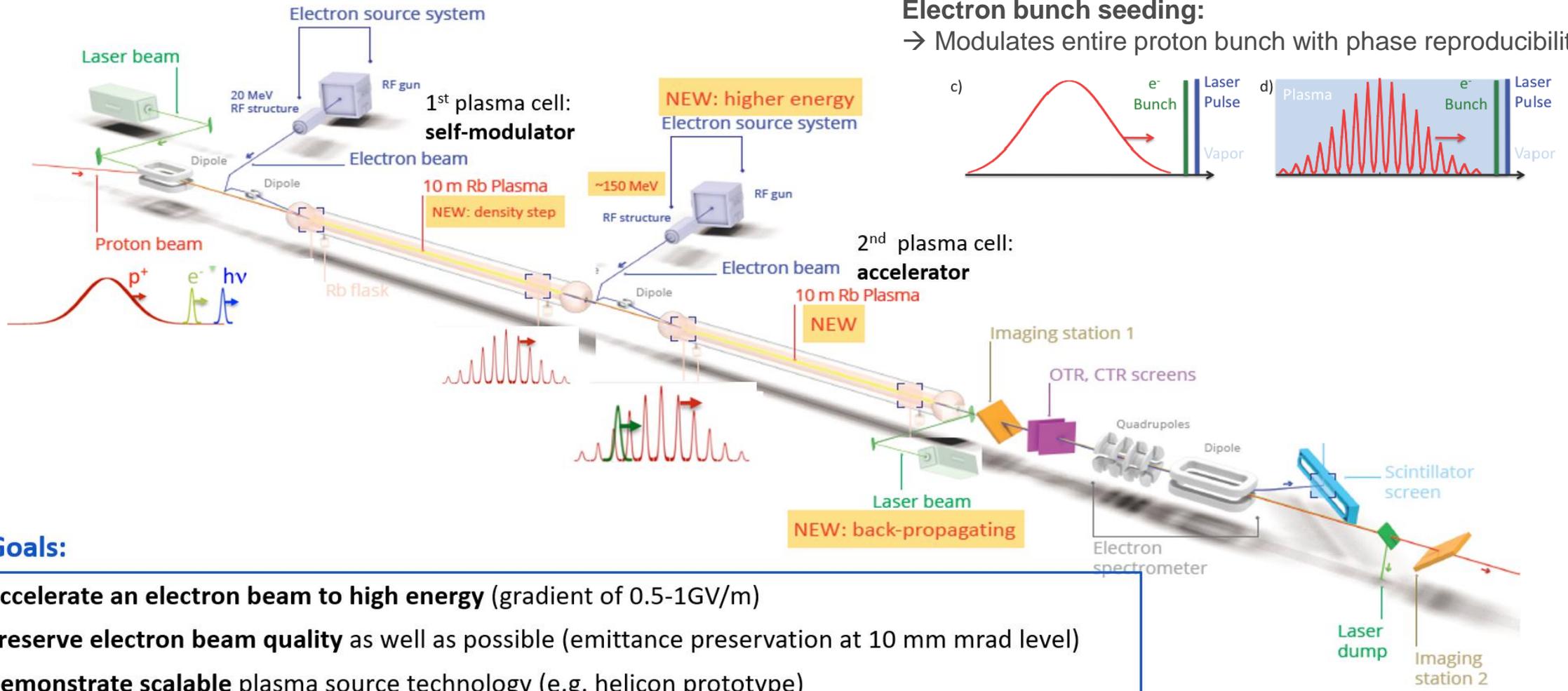
AWAKE photoinjector illumination



Mapping charge capture at AWAKE

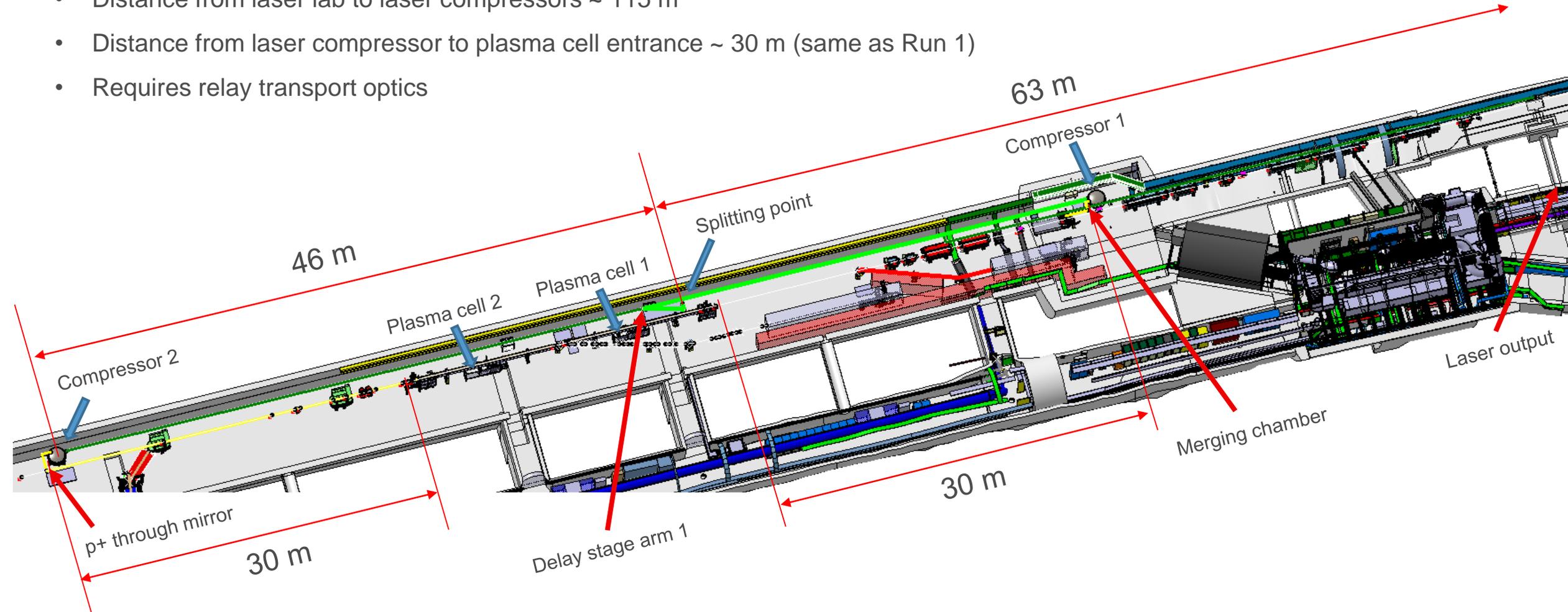


AWAKE run 2 (2021-2028)



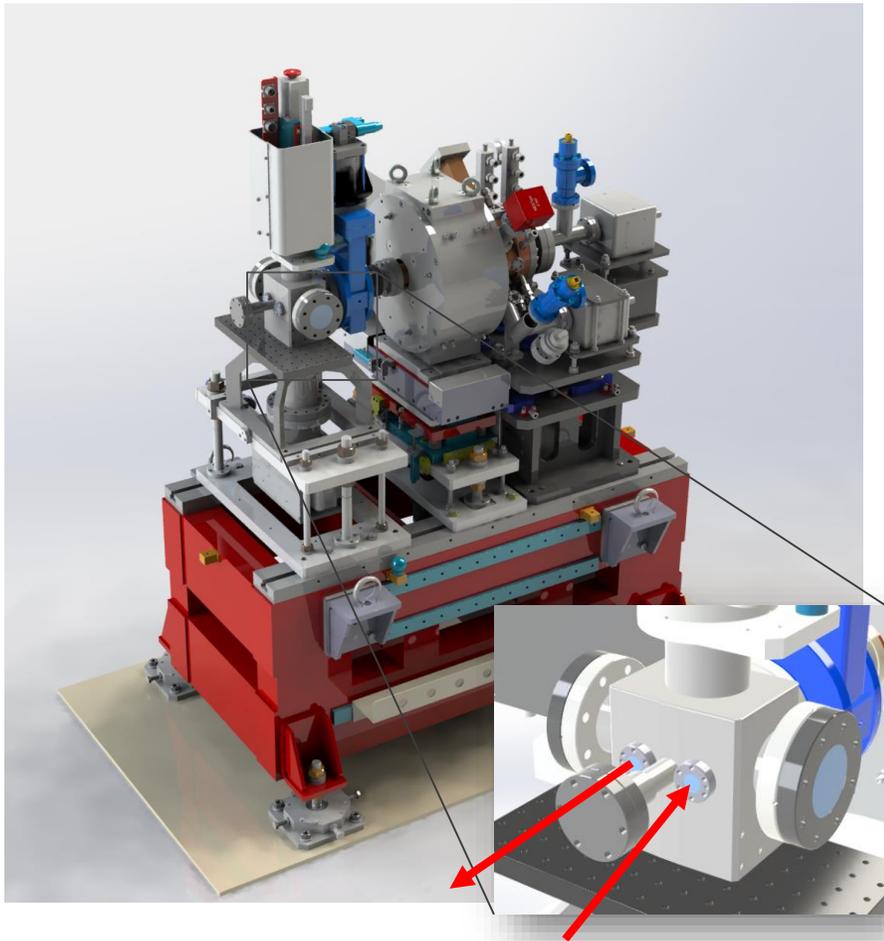
AWAKE 2 (ionizing lasers beam delivery)

- Distance from laser lab to laser compressors ~ 115 m
- Distance from laser compressor to plasma cell entrance ~ 30 m (same as Run 1)
- Requires relay transport optics

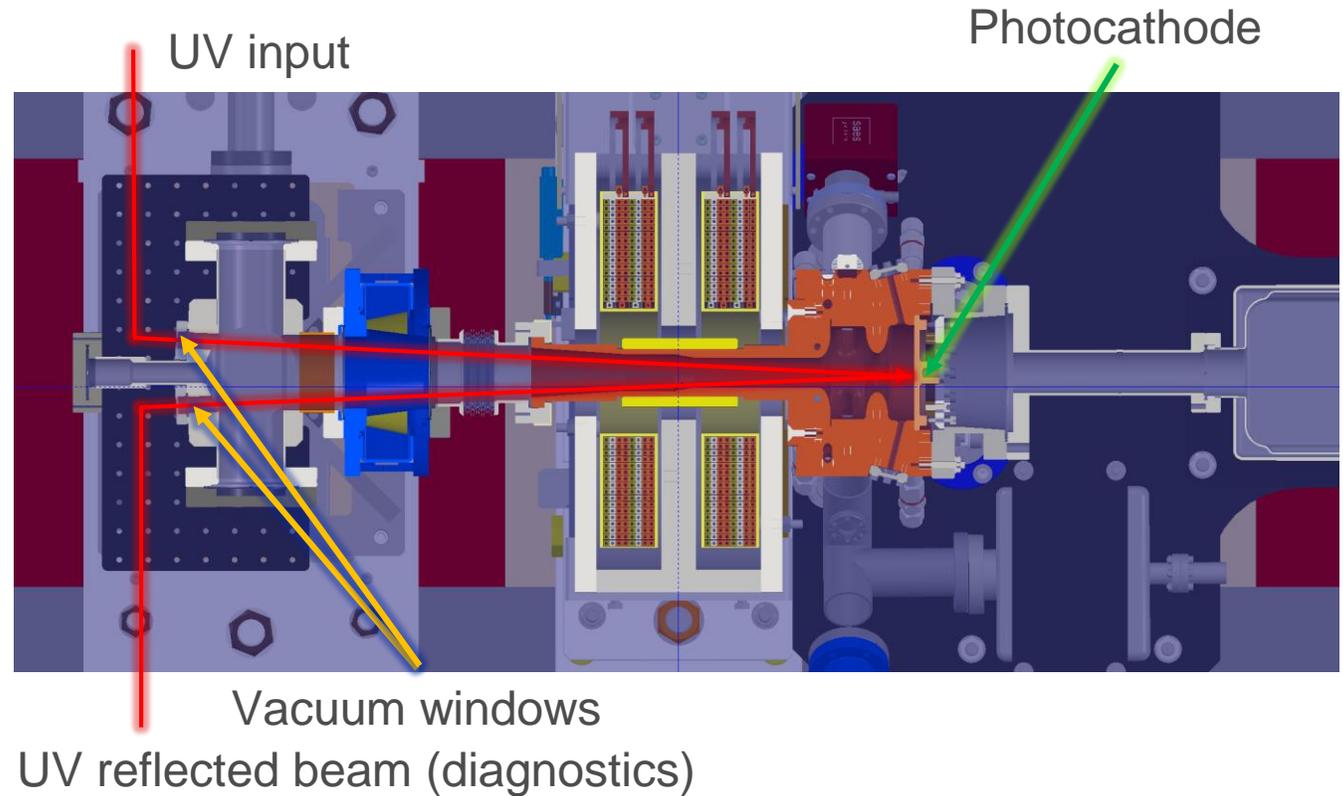


AWAKE Run 2 e- gun

Femtosecond gun from INFN

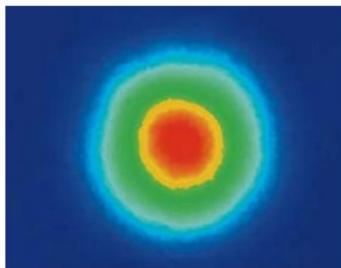


- Will be installed at CLEAR during 2021-2022
- Possibility of *virtual* and *real* diagnostics
- Initially with Cu cathode, eventually Cs₂Te
- Compatible load-lock system

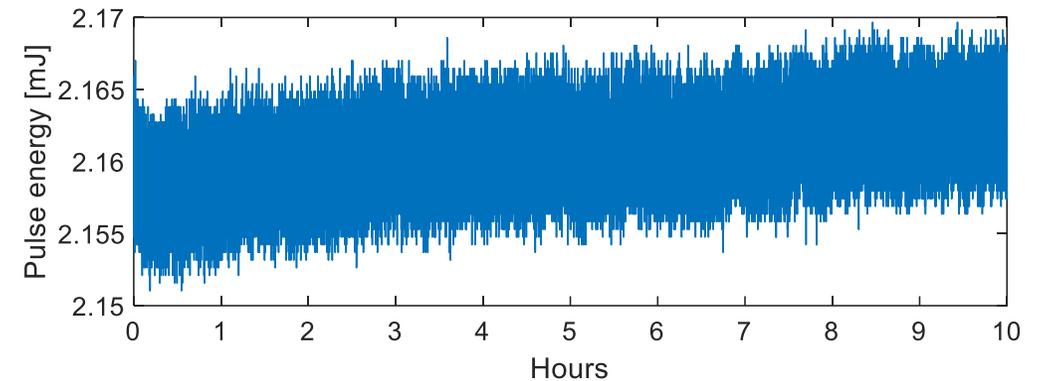


AWAKE Run 2 photoinjector laser

- Light Conversion Pharos system already purchased (delivery Dec 2020, integration & commissioning mid-2022)
 - Yb-doped fiber technology
- Designed to operate with both Cu or Cs₂Te
- Variable pulse duration from < 300 fs up to > 5 ps
 - Requires multiple harmonic stages or UV stretcher.
- Synchronizable to RF (1.5 GHz) reference
- Expected maximum charge production:
 - Cu cathode : ~ **400 pC**
 - Cs₂Te : > **1 nC**



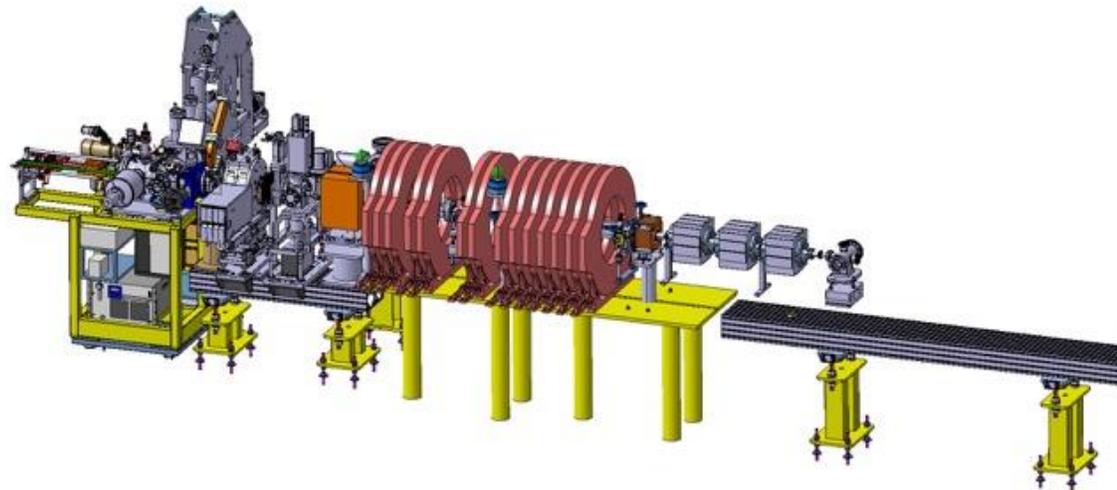
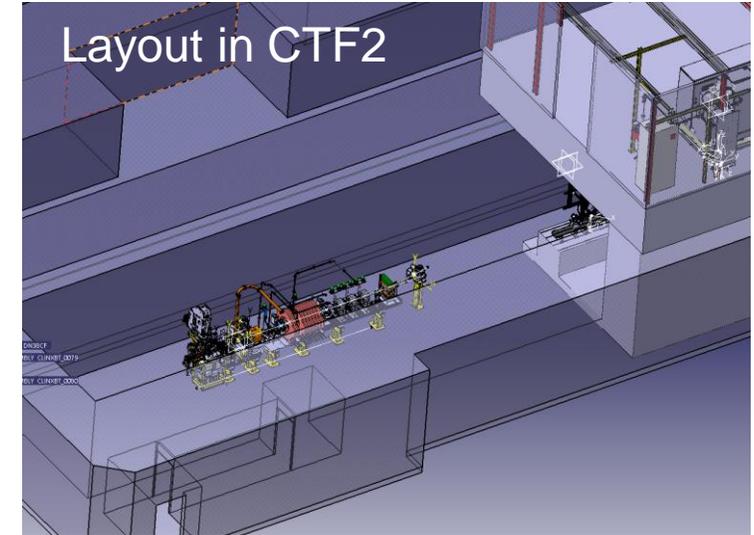
Typical PHAROS near field beam profile at 200 kHz



Pulse energy @ 1030 nm	2 mJ
Pulse energy @ 257 nm	~ 400 uJ (RMS <0.06%)
Repetition rate	0 – 200 kHz
Average Power	20 W
M ²	<1.3
Pulse duration	190 fs – 10 ps

AWAKE Run 2 femtosecond e- gun

- **Demonstrate velocity bunching** with x-band and **emittance preservation/control**
- Show **reliable high gradient** x-band operation
- **Study mechanical/integration** aspects
- Test **diagnostics**
- **Optimise final design** for AWAKE
- Get team together, **gain momentum** for challenging AWAKE Run2 injector



Prototype injector in CTF2:

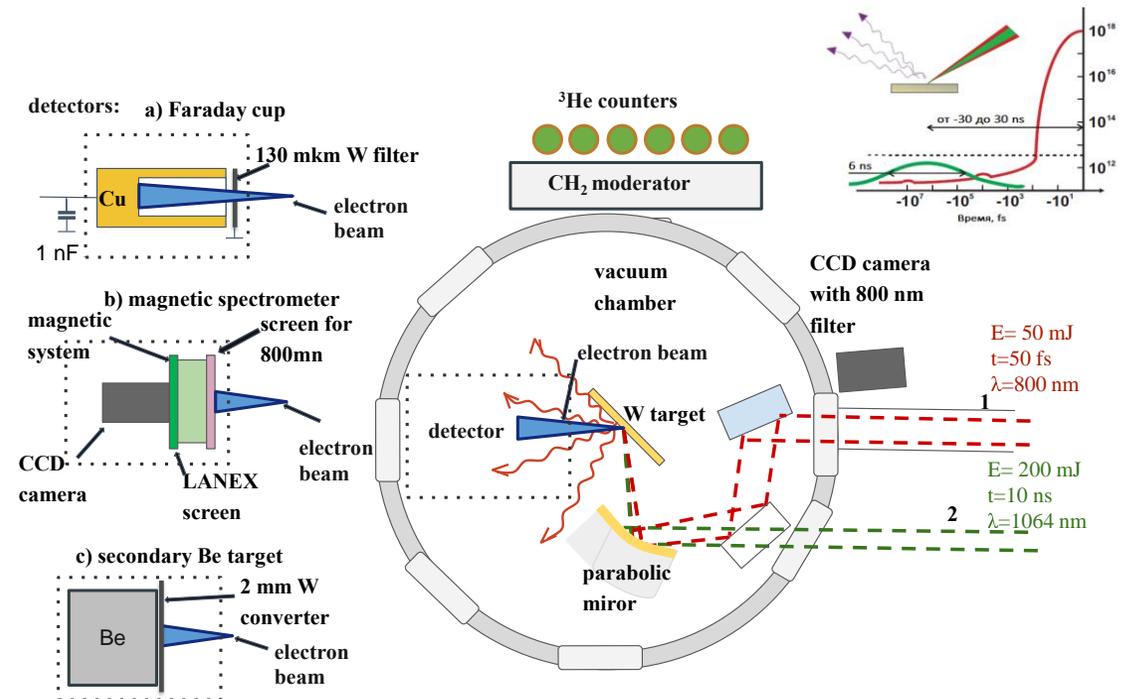
60-70 MeV and typically 100 pC single bunch, bunch length 200-300 fs (goal), emittance $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$, Laser osc. frequency 75 MHz, rep. rate up to 3 kHz, Length: 5 m

AWAKE Run 2 LWFA injector (e4AWAKE)



- The project aims to realize "laser-assisted electron injection" in AWAKE, as proposed in Ref. [1], taking advantage of the AWAKE Run 2 experimental setup without interfering with it.
- Current proposal includes input from:
 - CERN: (BE-ABP-LAF, SY-STI-LP, SY-BI-PM, TE-VSC-BVO, HSE-RP-AS, EN-MME-EDS, TE-MS-C-NCM, TE-VSC-SCC, EN-ACE-OSS, SY-RF-MKS, BE-CEM-MRO, BE-CEM-MTA)
 - Max Planck Institute for Physics, Munich, Germany: use of the AWAKE laser, laser expertise, Rb expertise and used of Rb glovebox, Rb
 - Dusseldorf University, Germany: simulation of wakefield acceleration in Run 2c setup
 - Wigner Institute, Budapest, Hungary: simulation of laser ionization in both demonstrator chamber and Run 2c setup
 - Moscow State University, Russia: expertise and design of demonstrator chamber
 - LOA, Ecole Polytechnique, ENSTA Paris, France and LIDYL, CEA, CNRS, Universite Paris-Saclay, France: expertise and design of demonstrator chamber

Sketches and picture for Demonstrator, based on [2] and [3]
 The CERN demonstrator would likely be smaller, with diagnostics outside the vacuum.

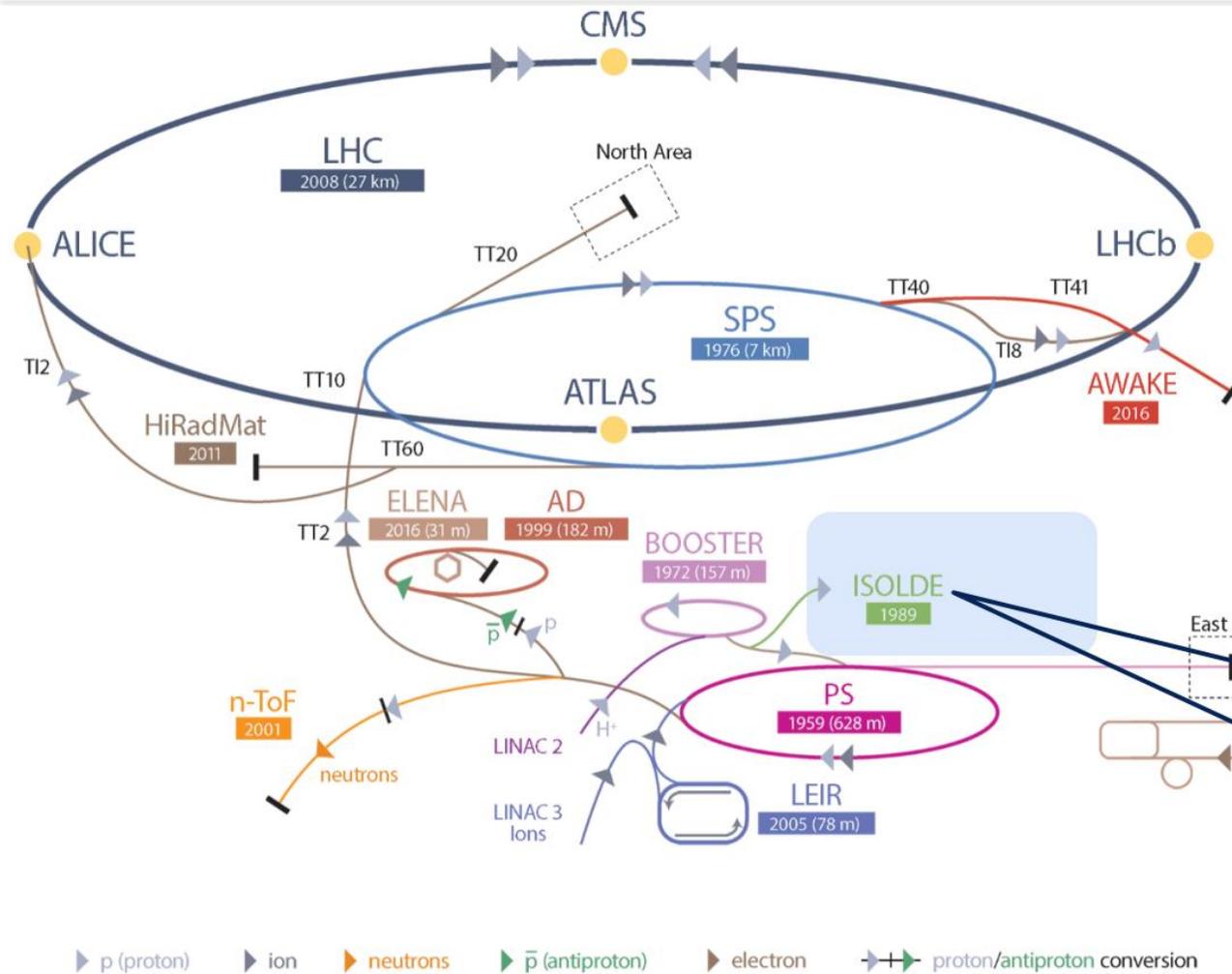


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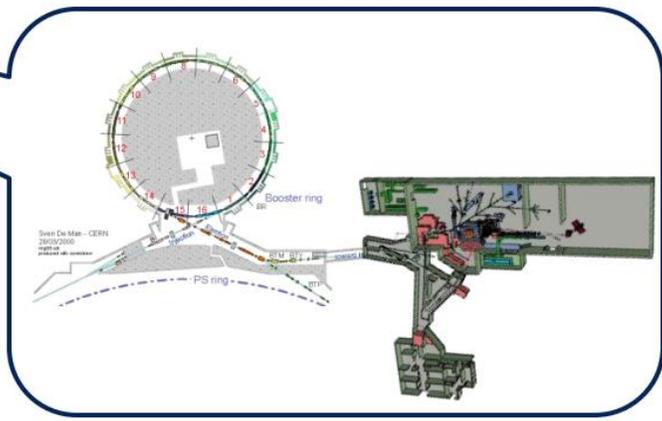
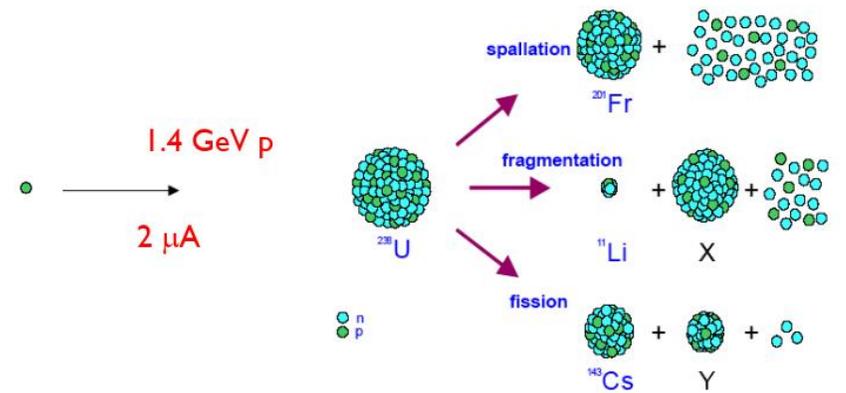


Part III: Laser ion sources at ISOLDE (RILIS)

Ion beams, ISOLDE in the CERN accelerator complex

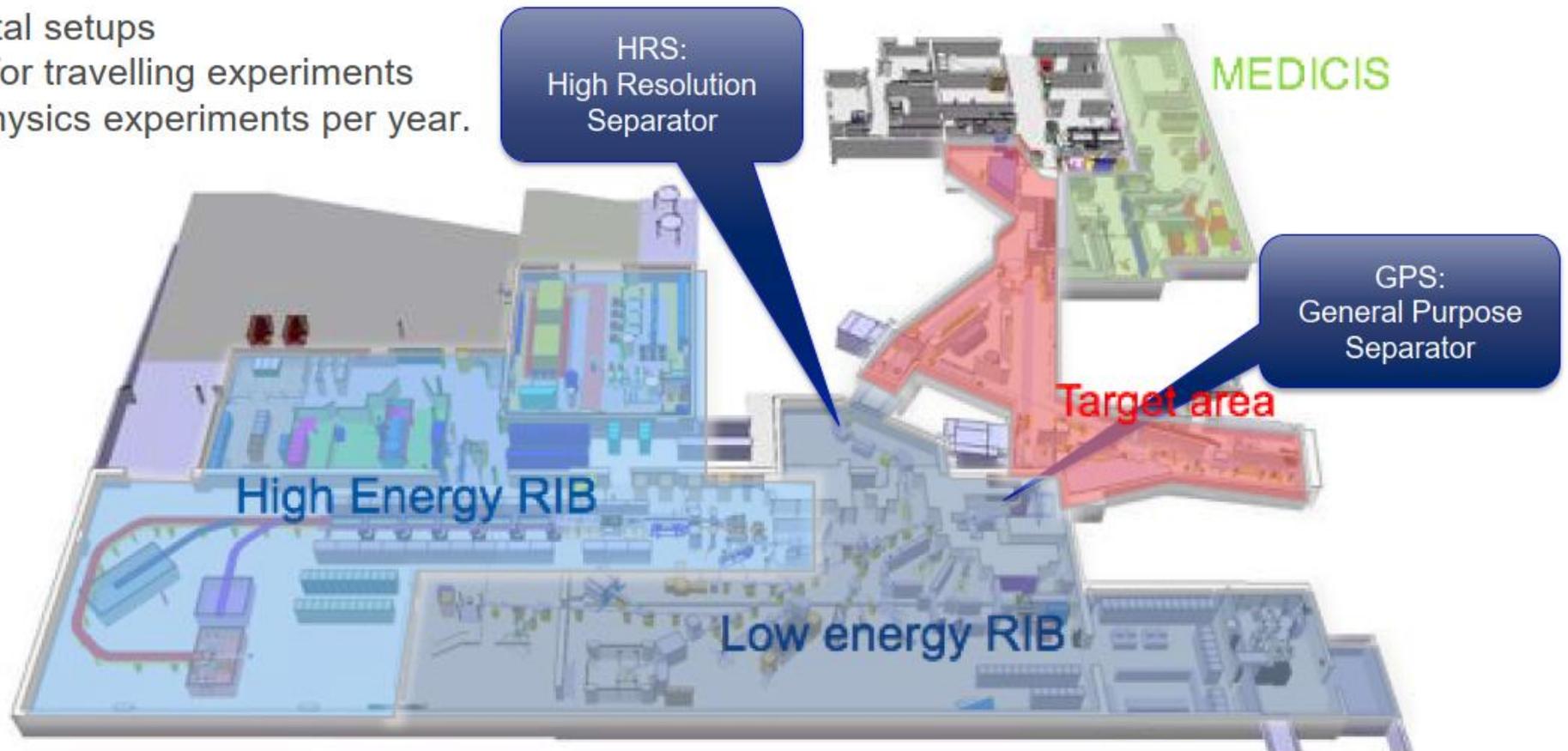


Delivers yearly >3000 h of radioactive ion beams by means of two target stations

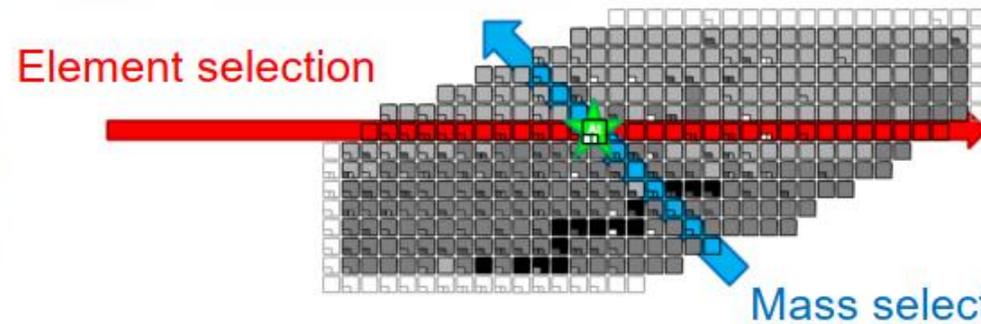
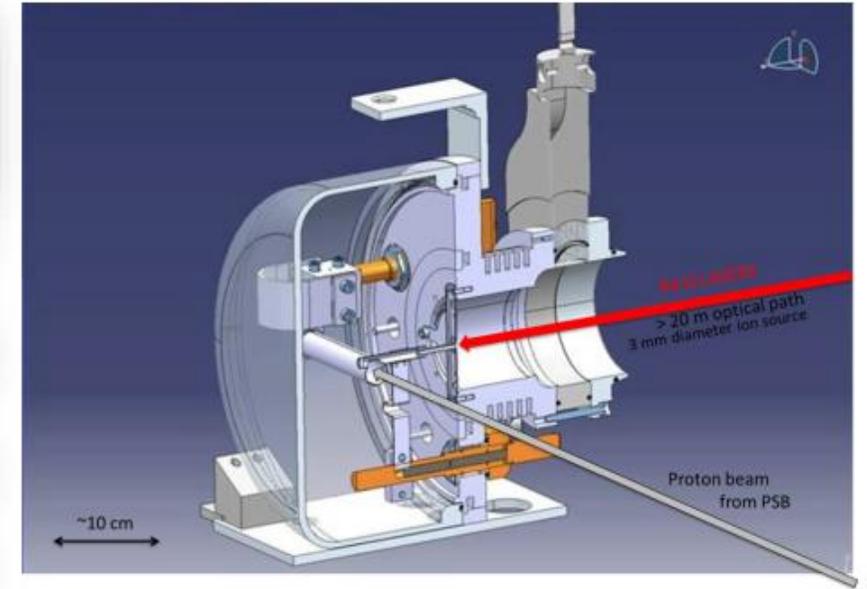
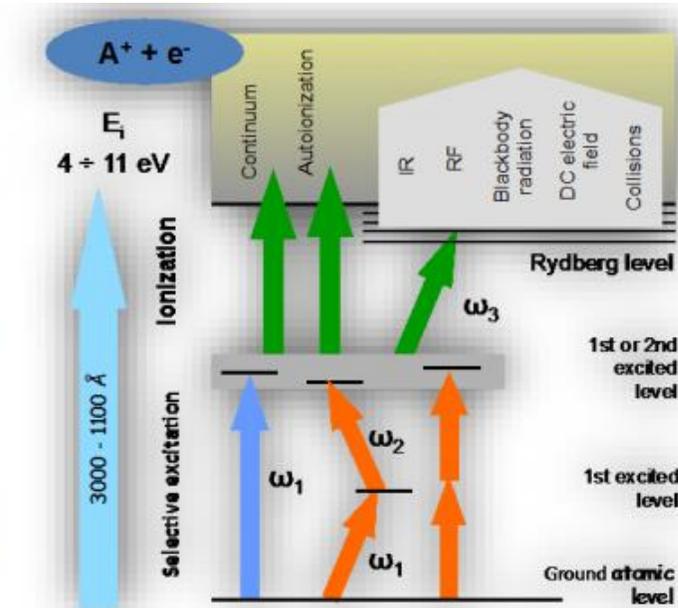
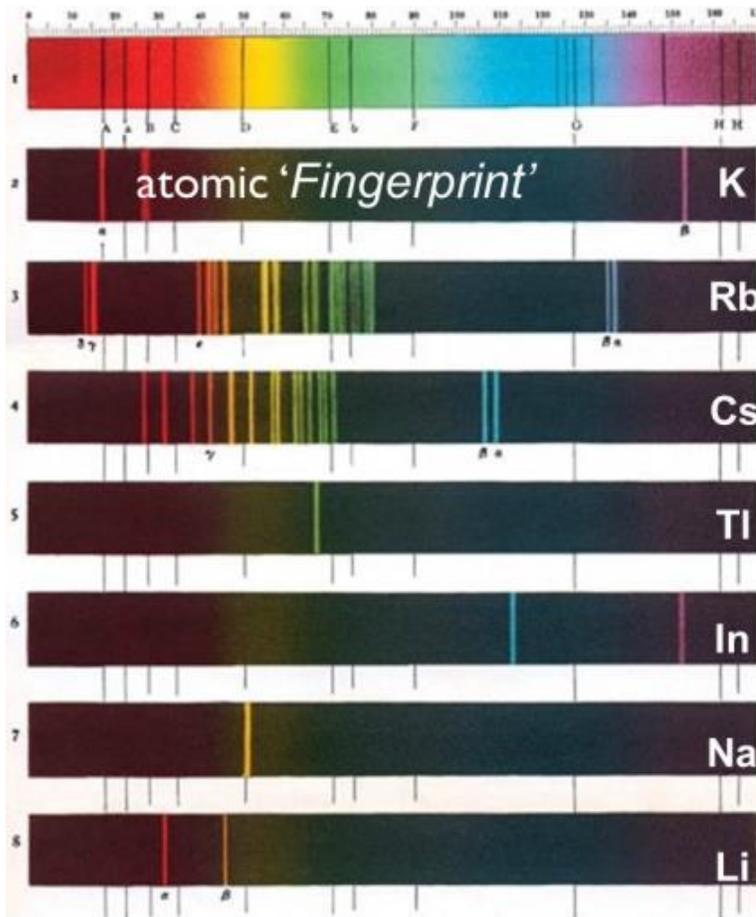


The ISOLDE Laboratory: target and experimental areas

- 12 beam lines
- 10 fixed experimental setups
- Temporary setups for travelling experiments
- Over 50 different physics experiments per year.



Resonance Ionization Laser Ion Source (RILIS)



Hot-cavity RILIS:
 $T \approx 2100$ °C

Ionization efficiency
10-30%

RILIS Ion beams

Elements ionized with RILIS

Ionization scheme tested (dye or Ti:Sa)

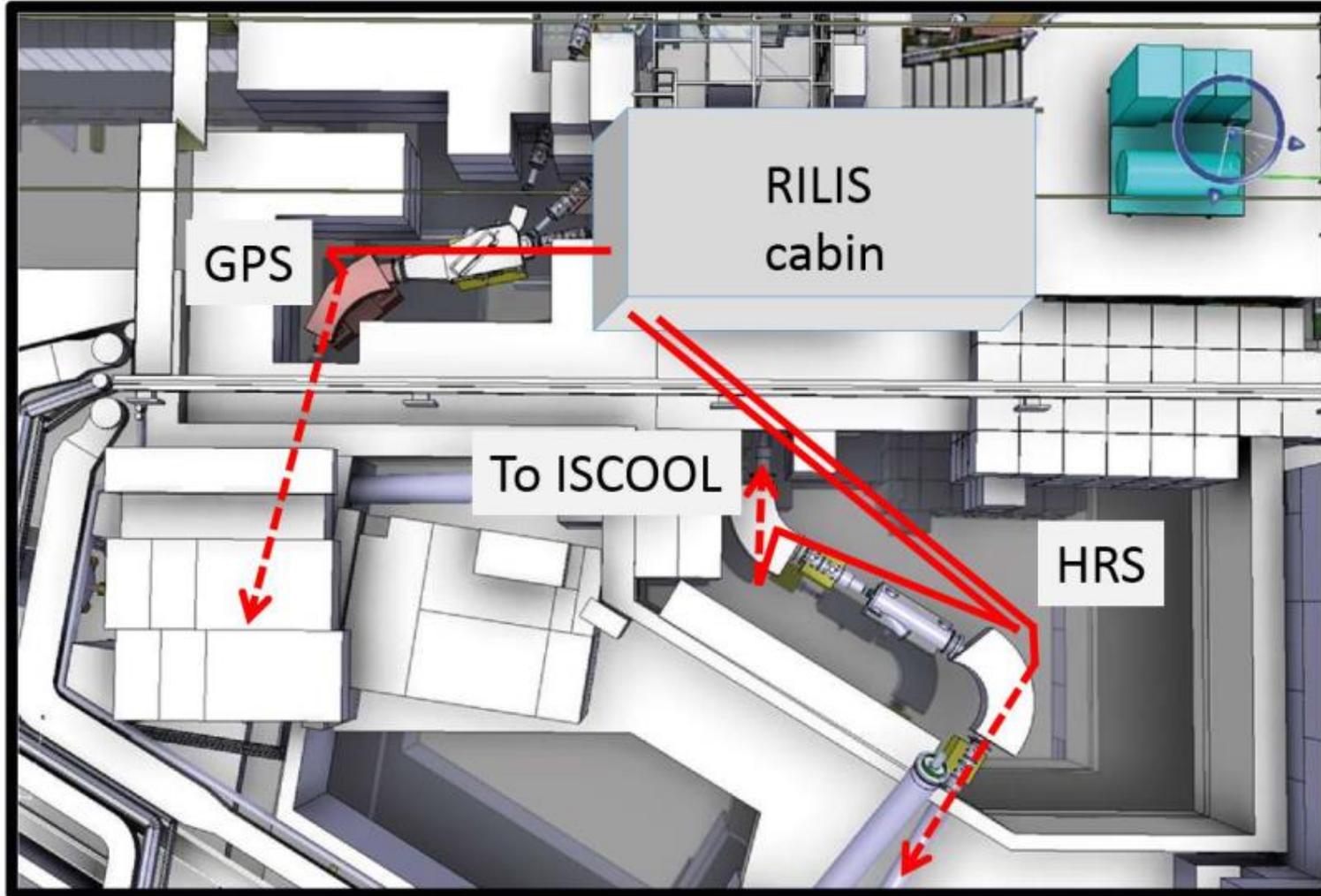
RILIS ionization feasible

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H																	He
3	4											5	6	7	8	9	10
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
11	12											13	14	15	16	17	18
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
55	56	57	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
87	88	89	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112						
Fr	Ra	Ac	Rf	Ha	Sg	Ns	Hs	Mt									

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

Ion beams of 48 elements have been produced at ISOLDE with RILIS

RILIS at ISOLDE Facility



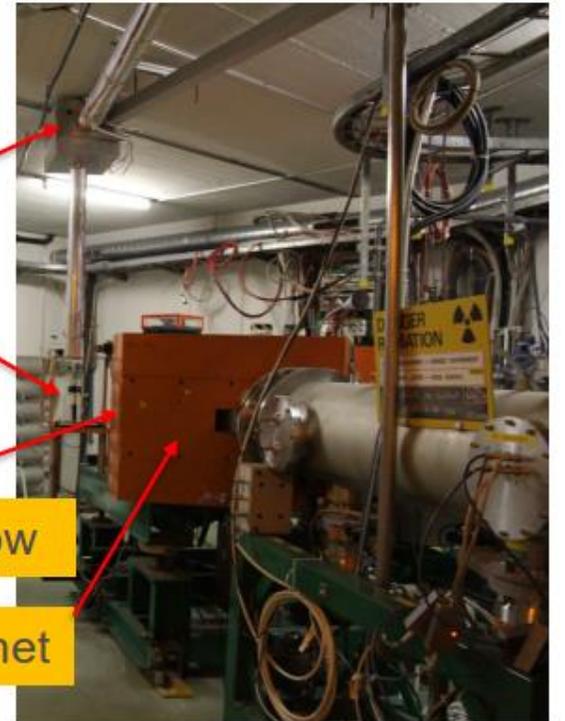
Laser beams transported to:

- GPS Frontend, ~18 m
- HRS Frontend, ~23 m
- Gas-filled Paul trap ISCOOL ~20 m

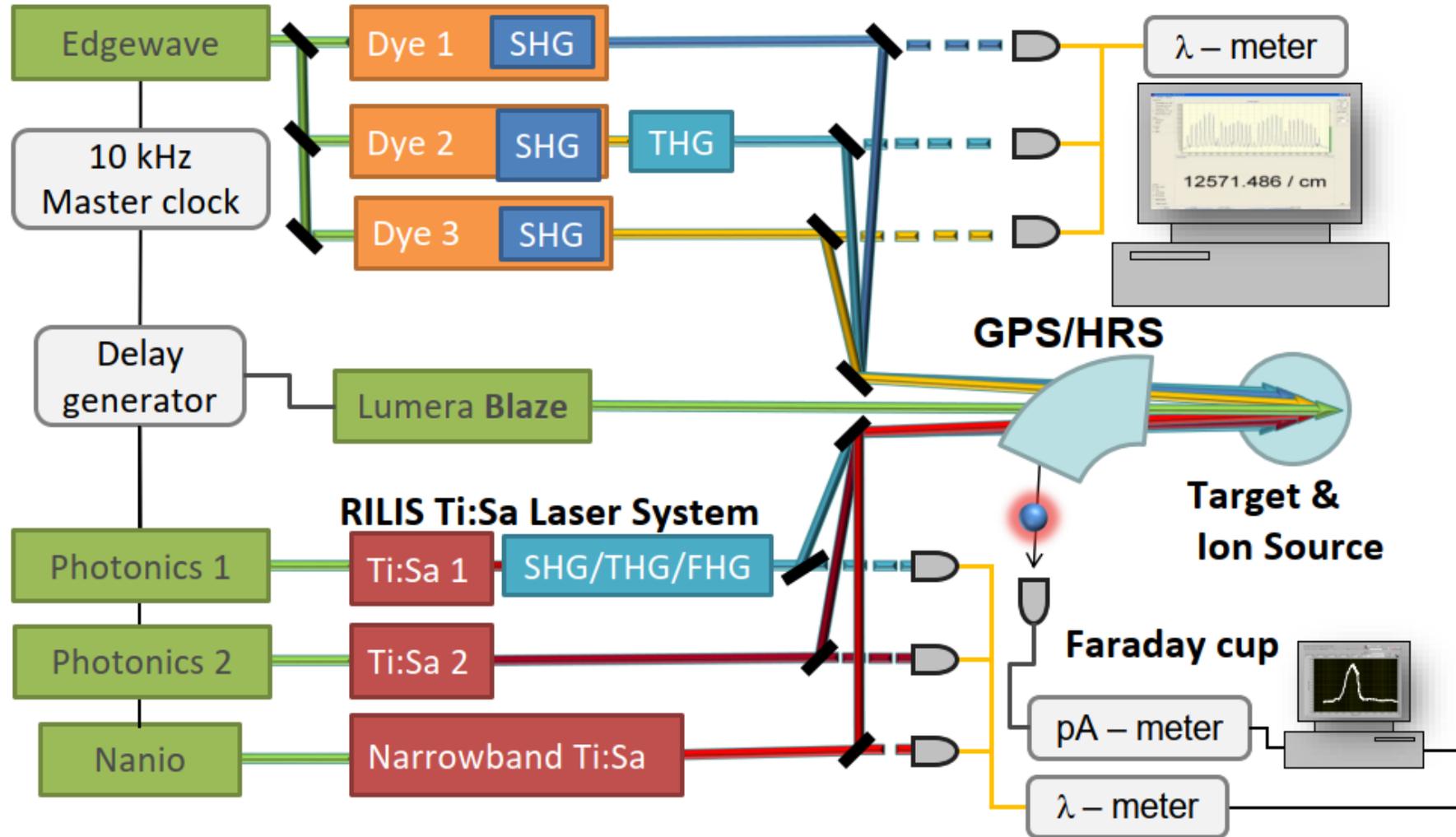
90° prisms

Vacuum window

HRS 90° magnet



RILIS laser setup (simplified)



RILIS laser setup

Industrial grade
10 kHz Nd:YAG/YVO lasers



Photronics
60 W



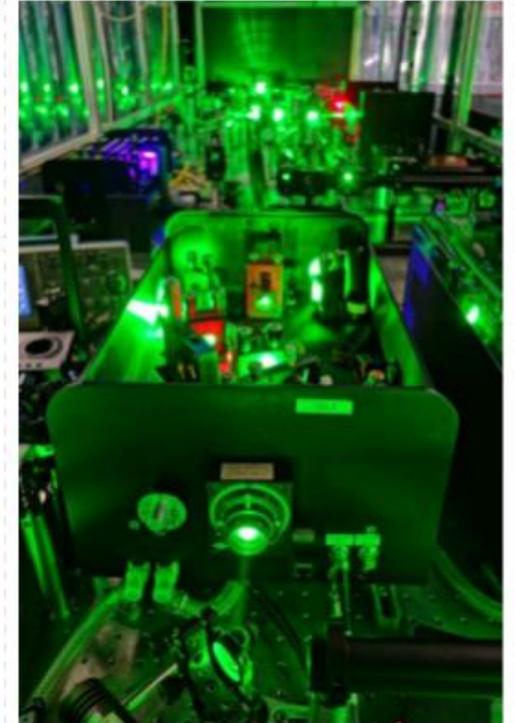
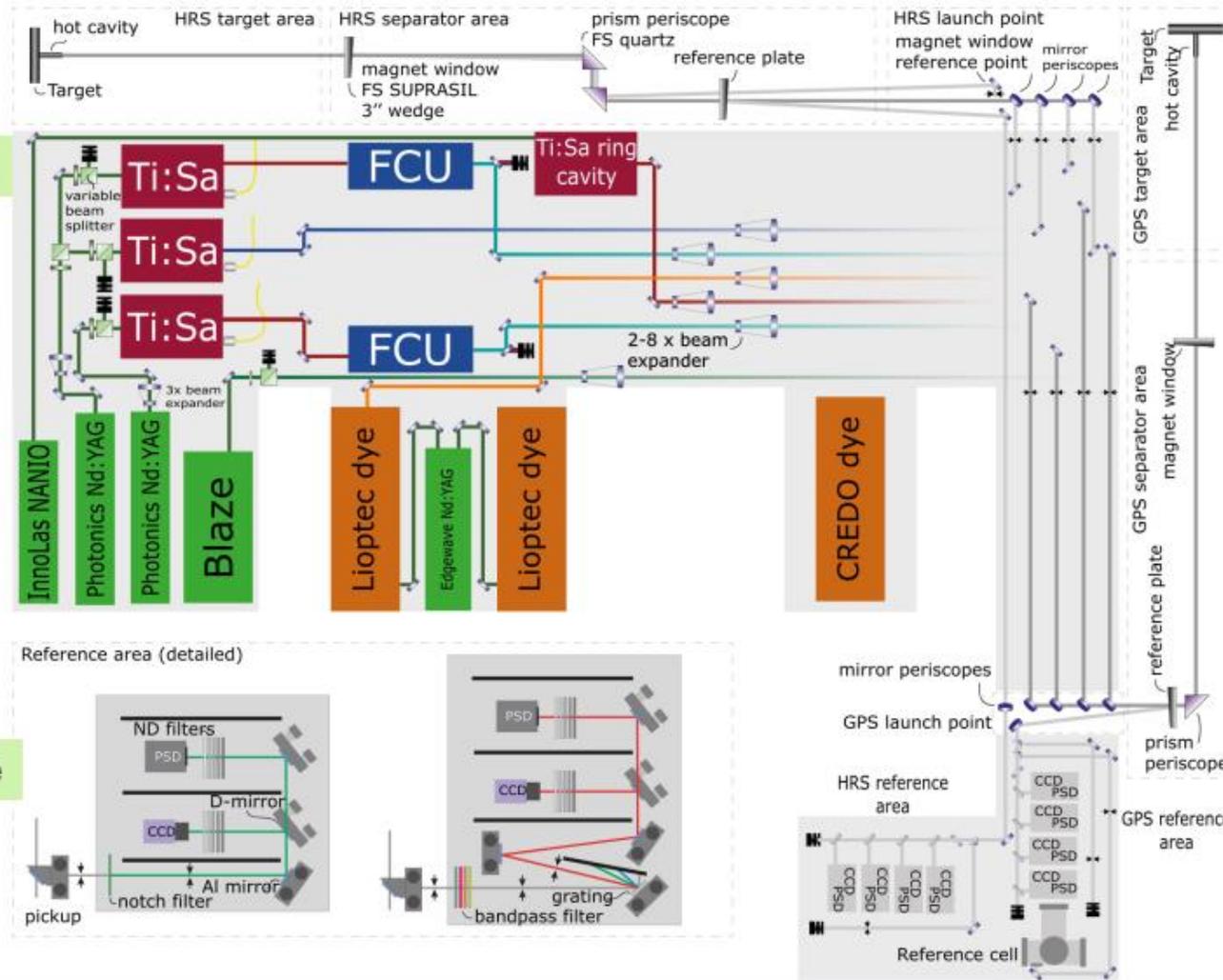
InnoLas
18 W



Lumera
40 W



EdgeWave
100 W

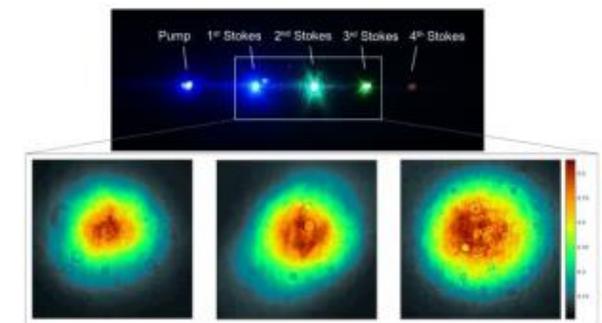
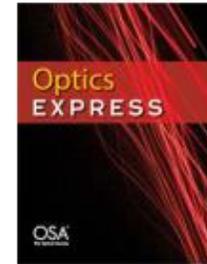
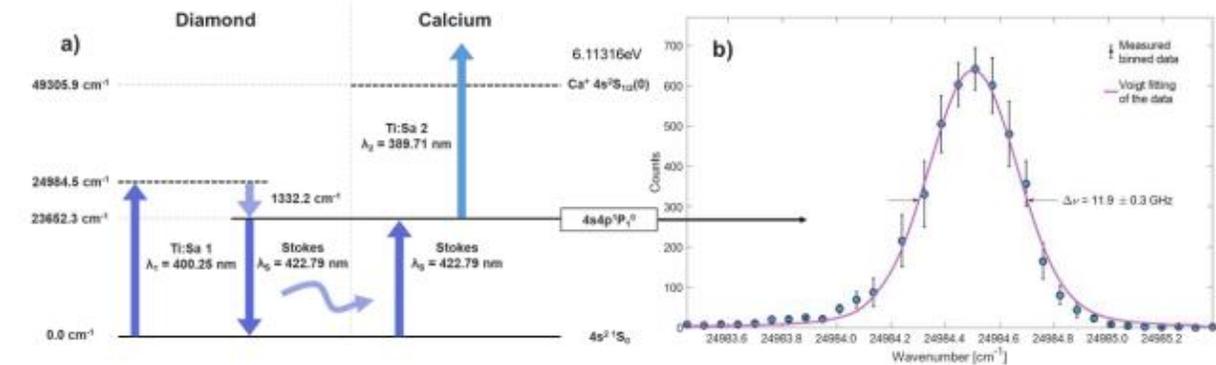
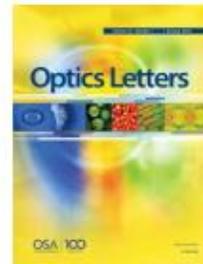
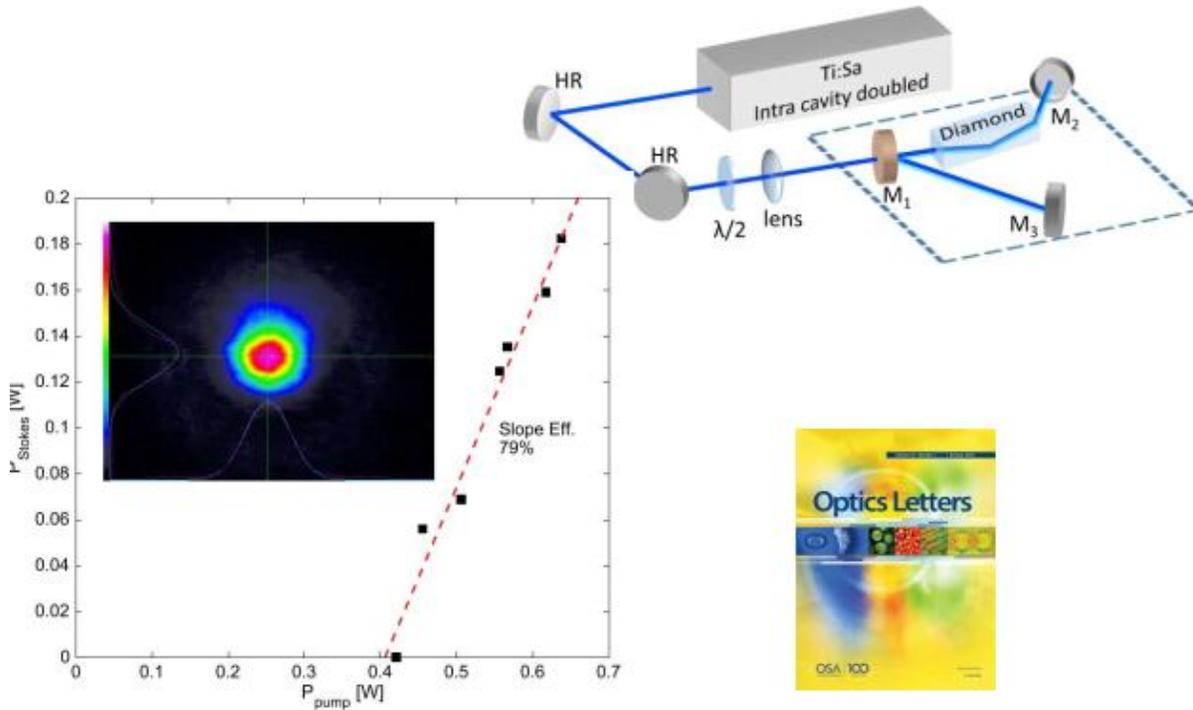
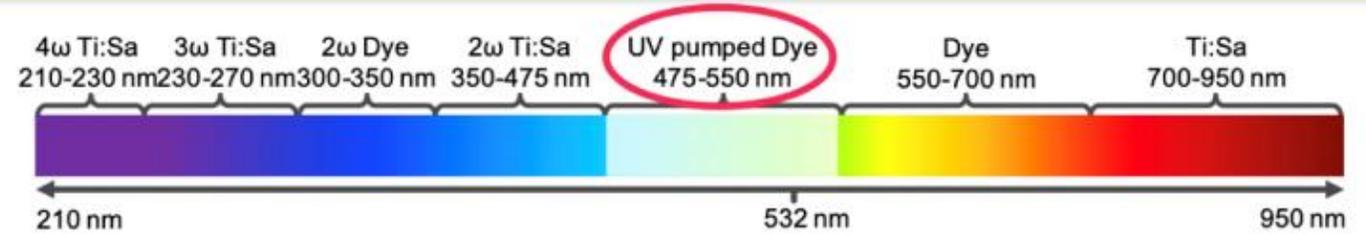


Tuning range
210 – 950 nm

Diamond Raman lasers at RILIS

Broadband:

To extend the Ti:Sa tuning range towards the UV pumped dye range



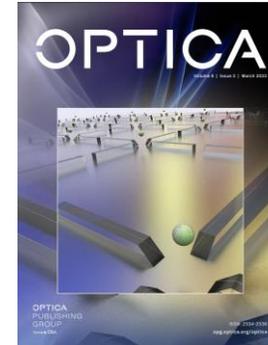
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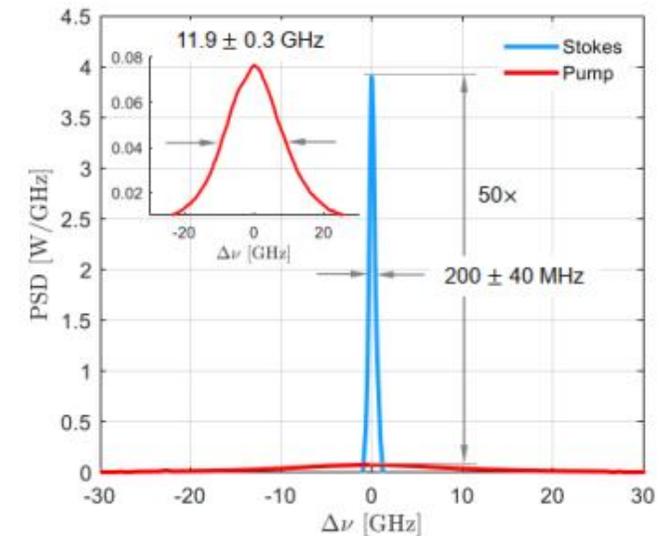
Diamond Raman lasers at RILIS

Narrowband:

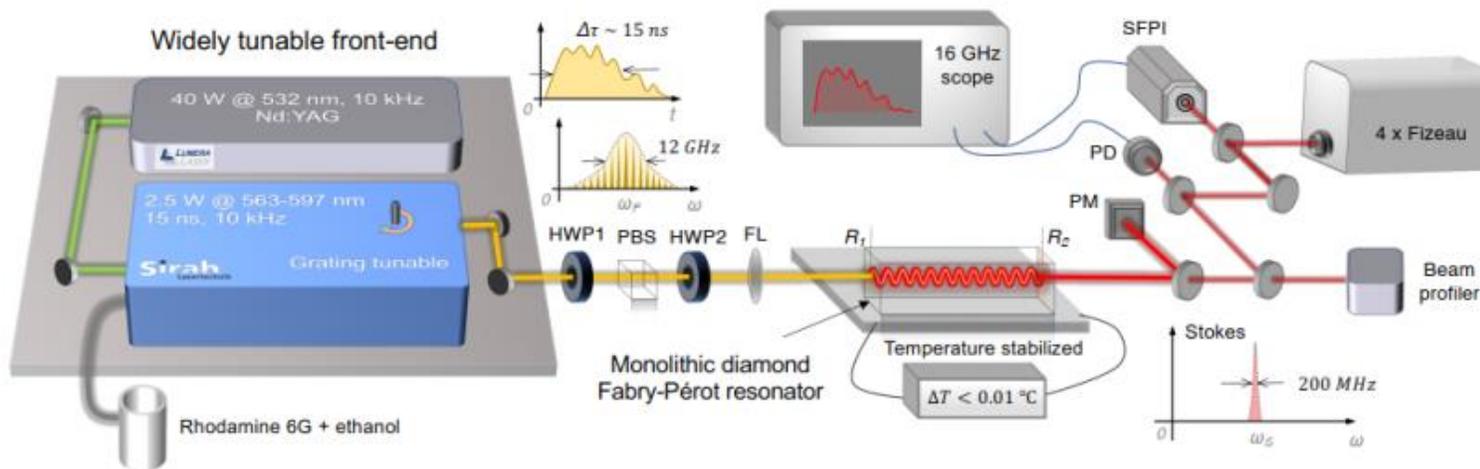
To enable laser spectroscopy with a laser line width $\sim 10\times$ narrower than is currently possible with RILIS lasers



KT project "Singular light"



Stokes spectral squeezing via phonon resonant interaction in diamond



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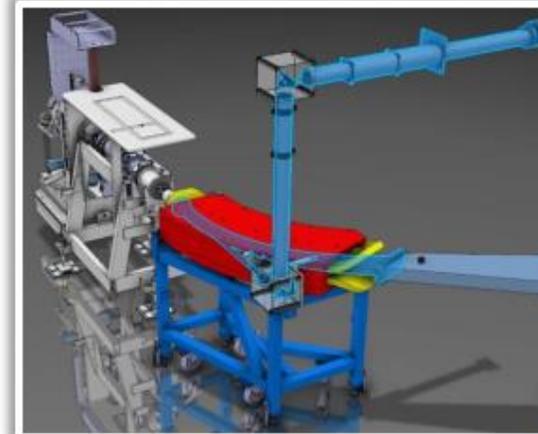
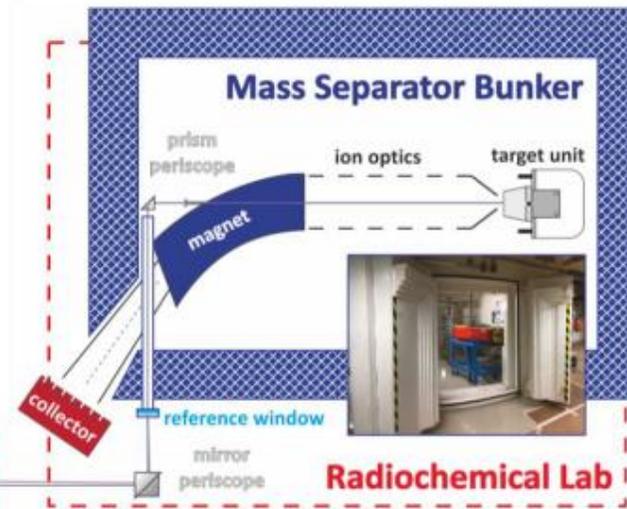
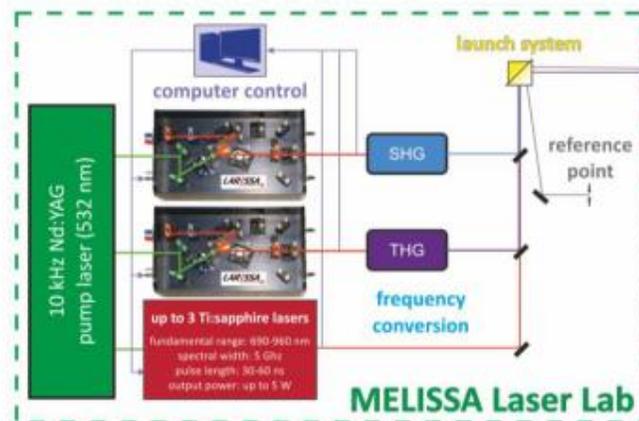
MEDICIS Laser Ion Setup at CERN (MELISSA)

MEDical Isotopes Collected from ISOLDE – facility for production of medical isotopes for research in radiopharmaceutical science

Long-lived radio-isotopes

- Produced in a cold target (at ISOLDE or elsewhere)
- Transported to the MEDICIS front-end
- Extracted by heating the target material
- Ionized and mass-separated
- Collected on a substrate
- Shipped to medical research laboratories

Sm-153
Tb-155, Tb-149
Er-169
Tm-167
Yb-175
Ac-225



Setup similar to RILIS, based on Ti:Sapphire lasers

Summary

- Multiple users facility at CERN profit from charged particle beams produced using laser technology
 - Electron sources of existing and future lepton accelerator require robust photocathodes and high-quality laser beams
 - Plasma created by high-intensity laser beams enables conditions for self-modulation of high energy proton bunches and wake-field acceleration
 - RILIS systems at ISOLDE and MEDICIS are essential for isobaric purity of delivered radioactive ion beams
- Laser development directions are defined by expanding requirements for new and higher quality particle beams

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