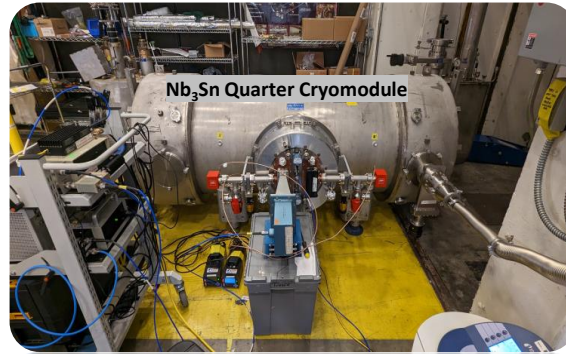


# First Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn coated CEBAF style quarter cryomodule



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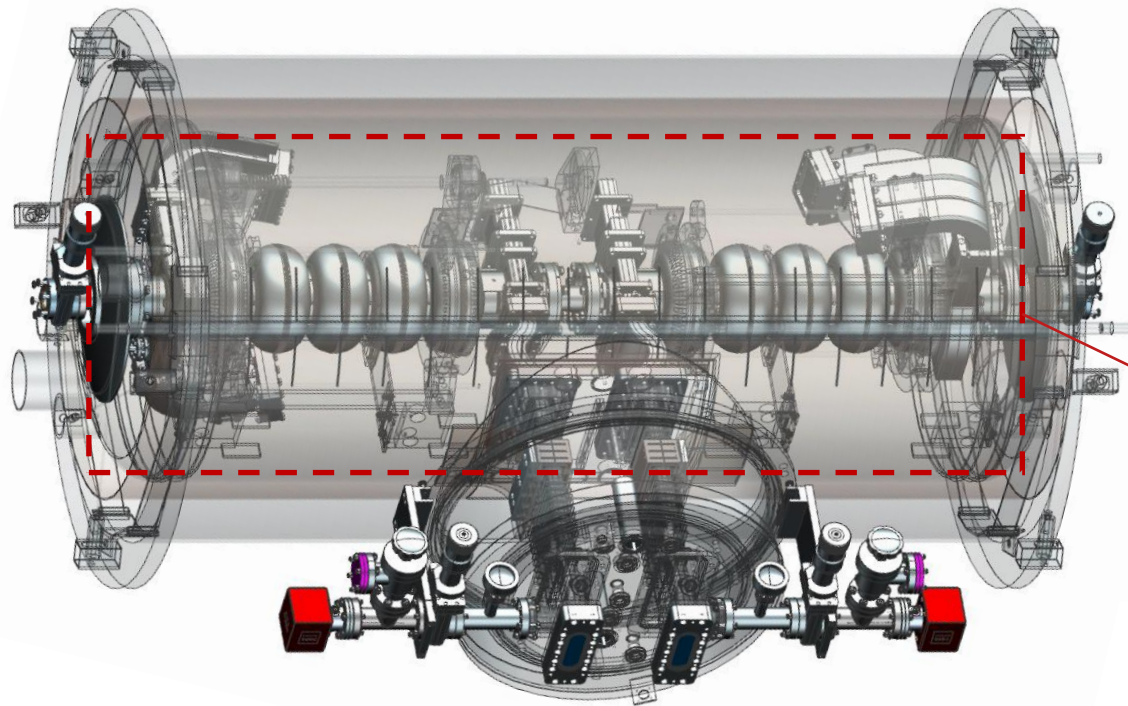
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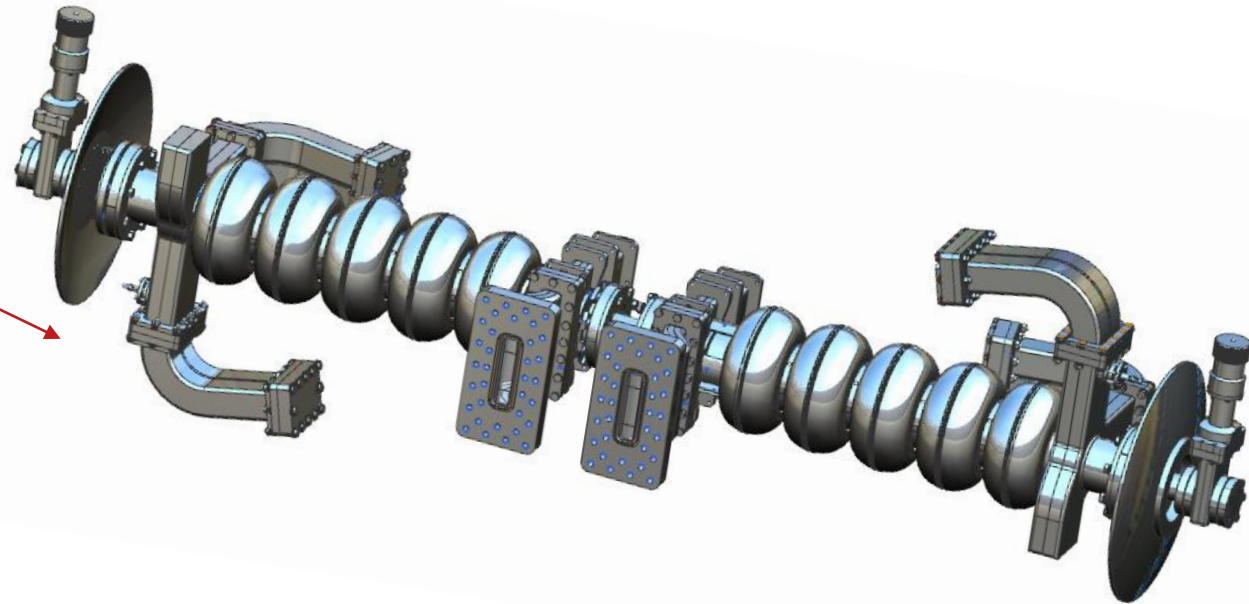
- Introduction
- Technique & coating facilities
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- Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cryomodule development
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- Lessons learned
- Summary & outlook

# Introduction

**Goal: develop a quarter cryomodule with Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn-coated cavities with an average gradient of 10 MV/m per cavity.**



Based on:  
1.5 GHz CEBAF C75 (low-loss) 5-cell cavities

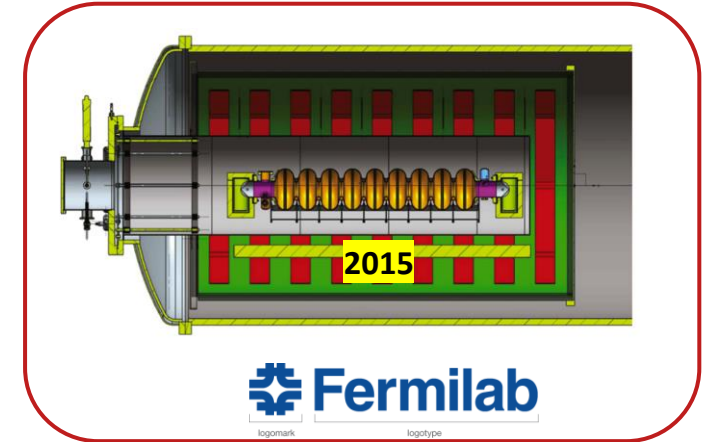
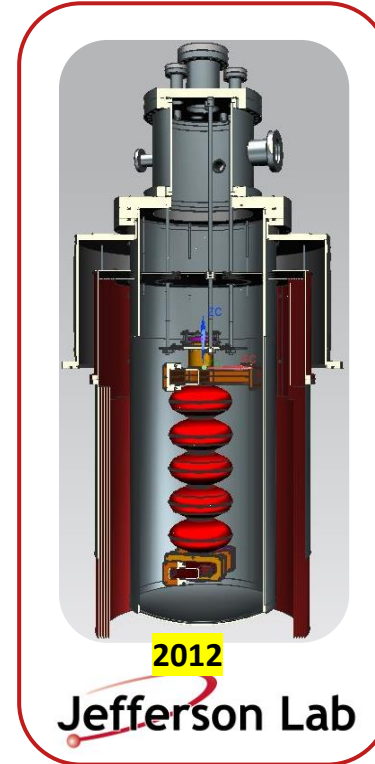
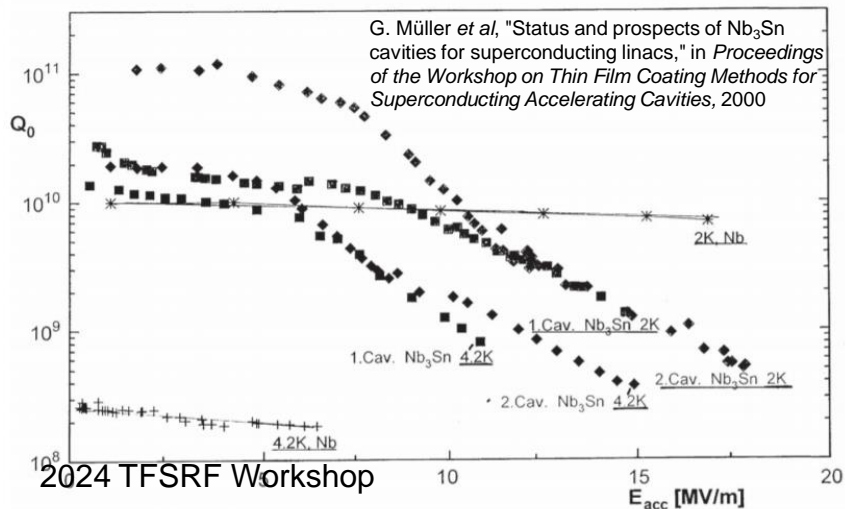
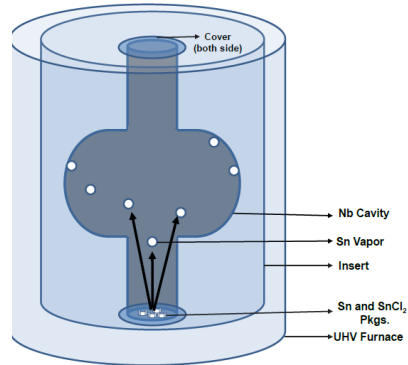
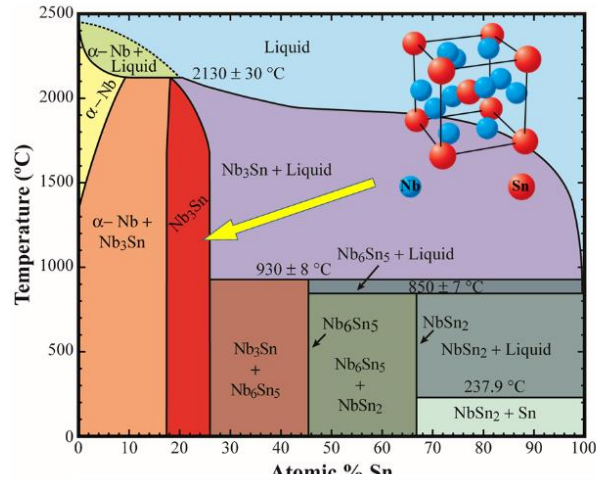


In the framework of G. Ereemeev's ECA : "Formation of Superconducting Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Phase for Superconducting Radio Frequency (SRF) Cavities "

# Vapor Diffusion – “The” current mainstream technique

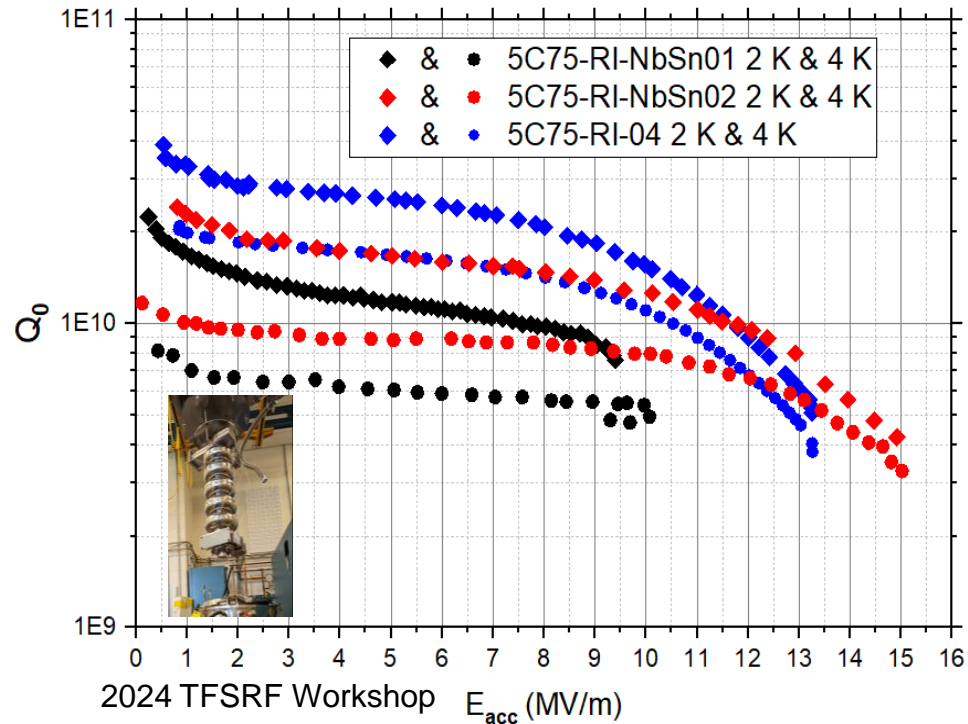
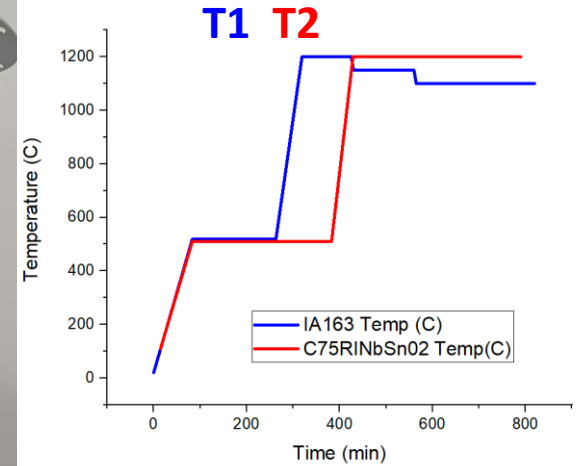
- since 1970s (*Siemens*)
- so far ‘THE’ technique producing practical Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cavities

Vapor diffusion coating facilities around the world



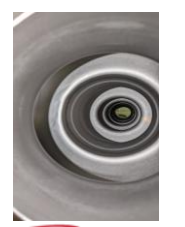
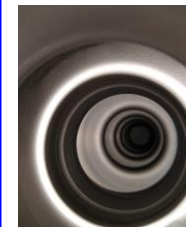
# Multi-Cell Coating at Jefferson Lab

- Process development based on witness samples coated with multi-cell cavities
  - 1.5 GHz 5-cell and 1.3 GHz 3-cell
- Sn source(s) and temperature profile optimization
- $Q_0$  and  $E_{max}$  suitable for accelerator applications



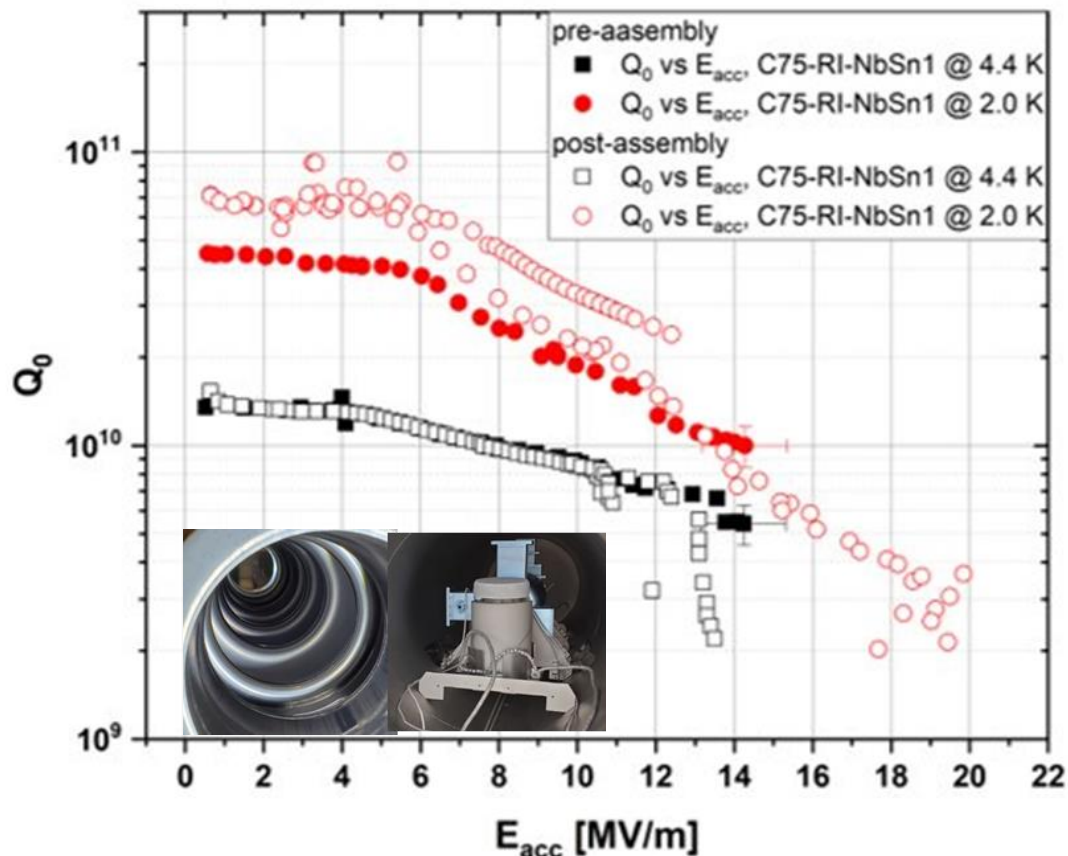
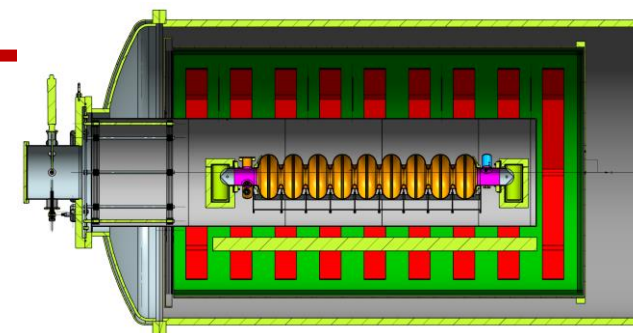
## Witness sample in each run. Sn consumption (g)

	1 <sup>st</sup> coating	2 <sup>nd</sup> Coating	3 <sup>rd</sup> Coating	5C75-RI-NbSn02 02	5C75-RI-NbSn02 02
Primary	3.6	2.50	2.79	3.05	<b>2.42</b>
Secondary 1	1.7	1.50	1.42	1.50	<b>1.48</b>
Secondary 2	---	1.60	1.43	1.51	<b>1.48</b>
<b>Total</b>	5.3	5.60	5.64	6.06	<b>5.38</b>
<b>Setup</b>	S1-T1	S2-T1	S3-T2	S2-T1	<b>S3-T2</b>

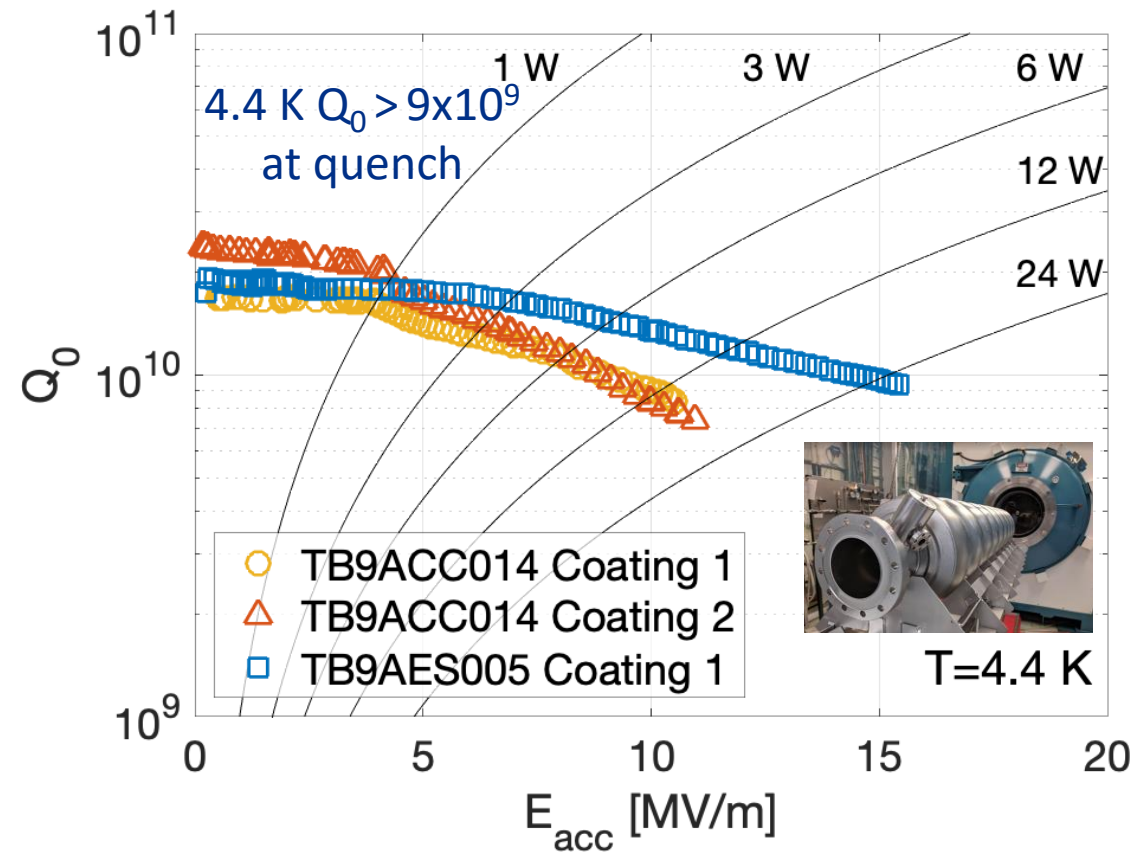


# Multi-cell Cavity Coating at Fermilab

- Coatings of multicell accelerator structures for various projects
- $E_{acc} > 15$  MV/m,  $Q \sim 1 \times 10^{10}$  at 4.4 K



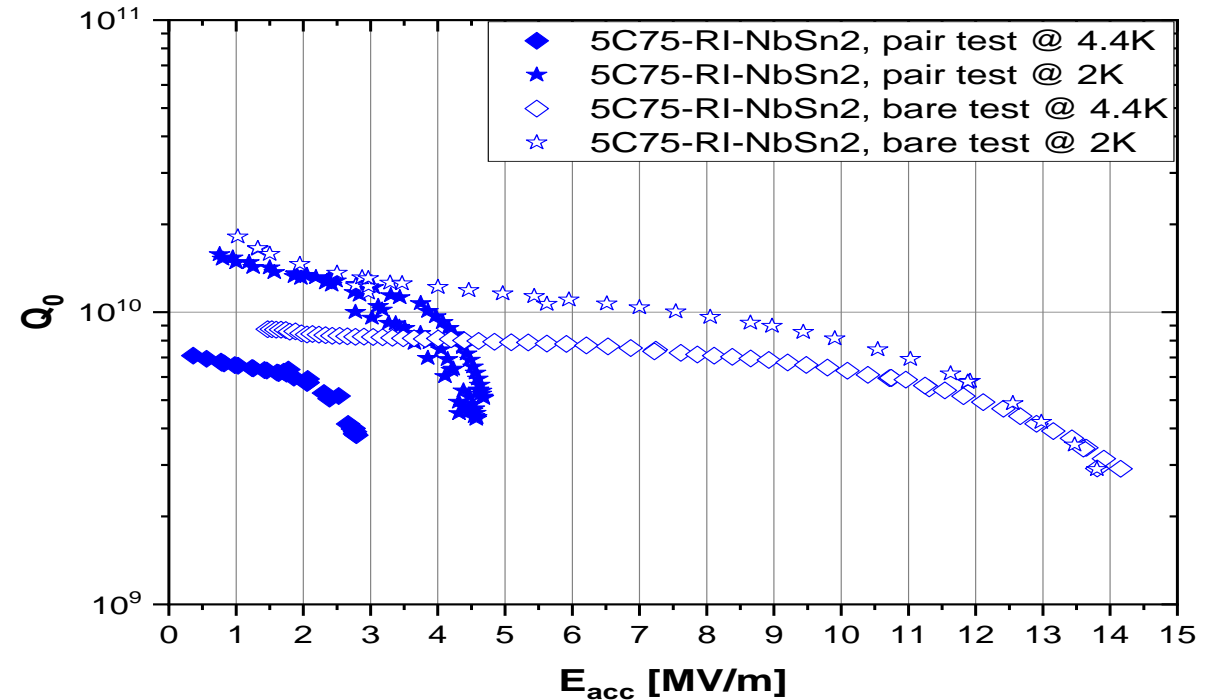
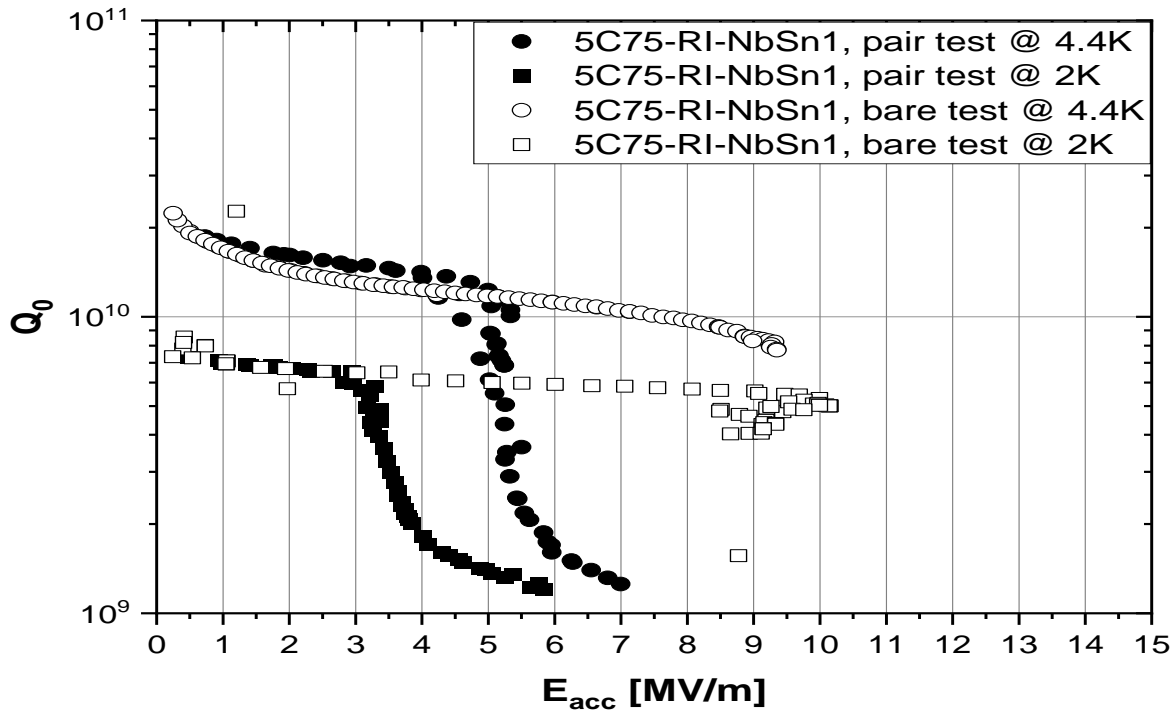
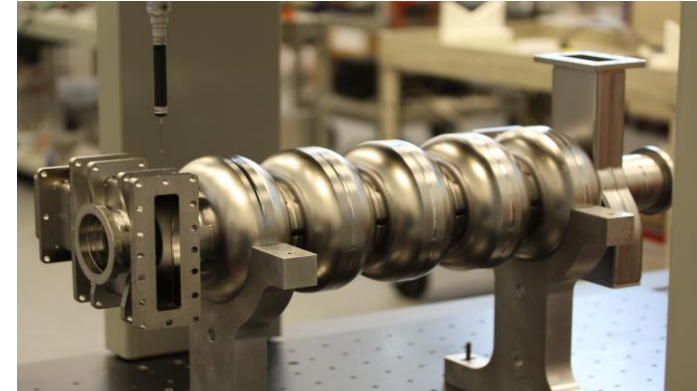
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# Qualification of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn-coated C75 5-cell cavities at JLab

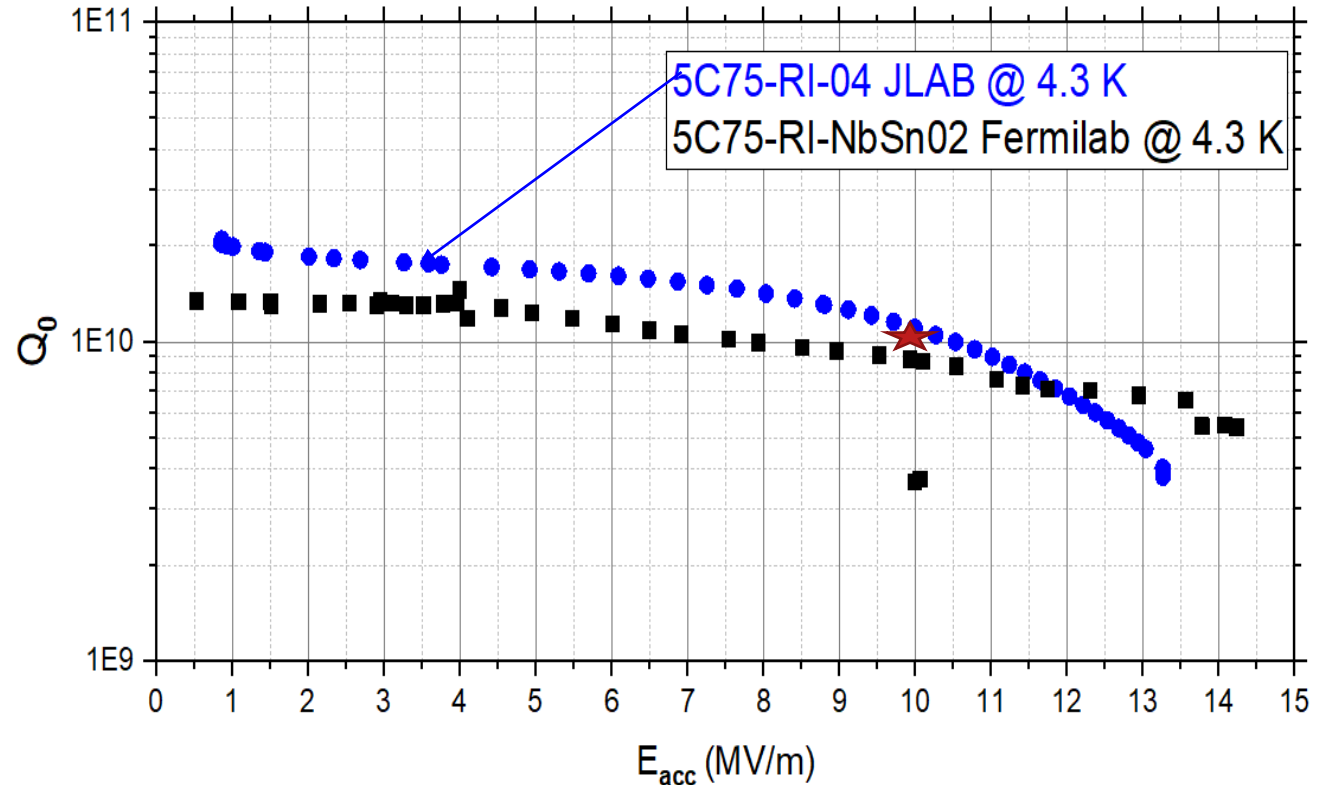
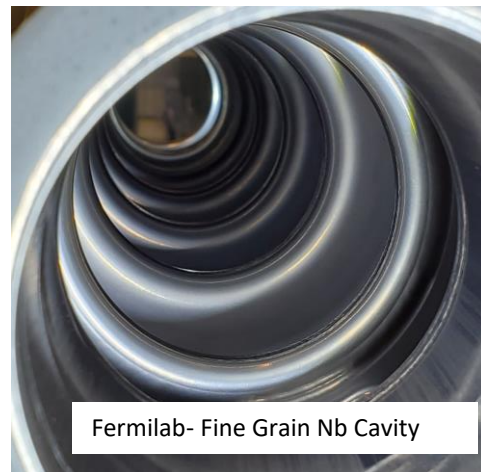
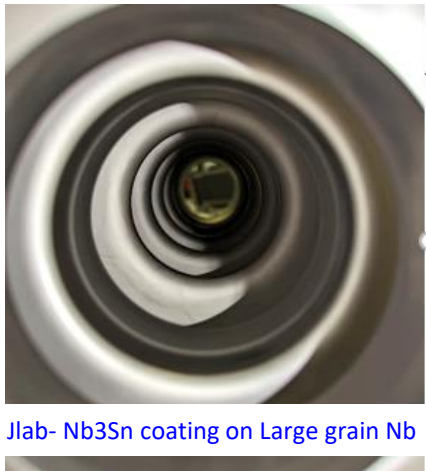
- ❖ Two five-cell Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn-coated cavities qualified in 2019 with  $E_{\max}$  of 12 and 14 MV/m
- ❖ Degraded to below 5 and 7 MV/m during the vertical pair test
  - Mechanical stress due to vertical pair assembly & hanging
- ❖ Both cavities required reprocessing and re-coating

G. Ereemeev, U. Pudasaini, Tesla Collaboration Meeting 2022, Aomori Japan



# Re-Qualification of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn-coated Cavities

- ❖ One cavity coated at JLab and another at Fermilab
- ❖ Both cavities reached >13MV/m with Q~10<sup>10</sup> at 10MV/m

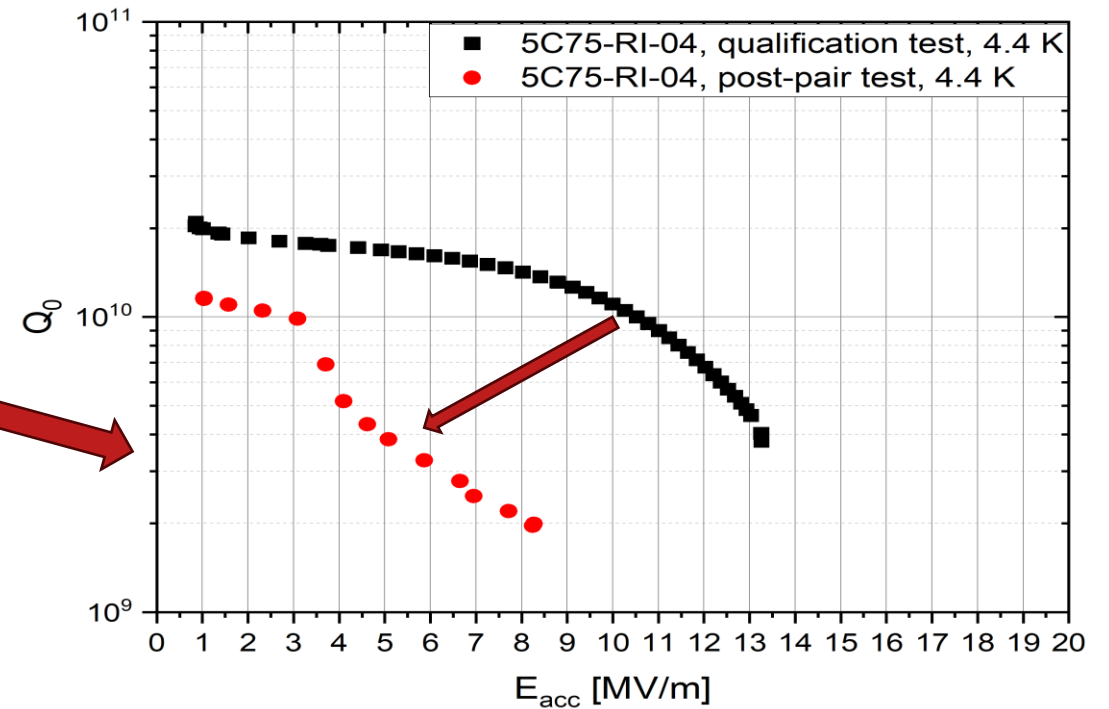
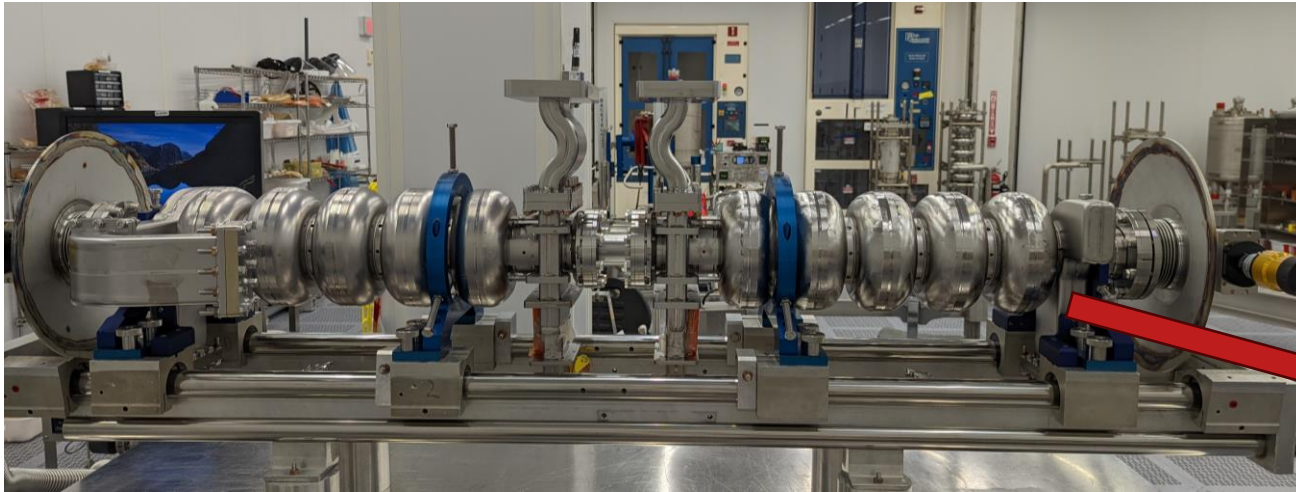


- ❖ Pair subjected to disassembly due to a leak in a RF window



# Re-Qualification of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn-coated Cavities

- ❖ Cavities were re-tested independently – degraded one cavity
- ❖ Pair successfully assembled again
- ❖ Skipped vertical test of the pair to avoid mechanical degradation



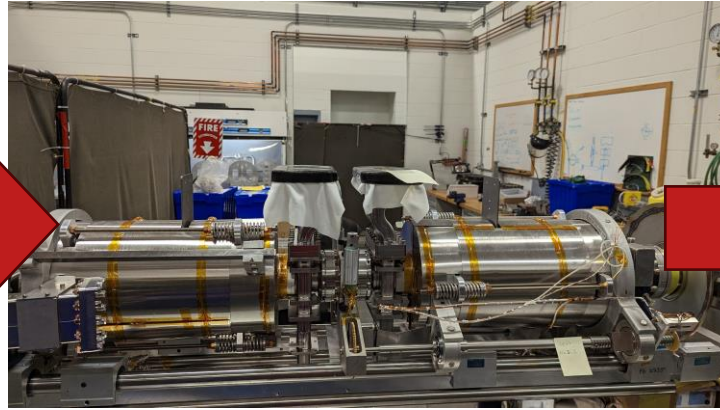
# Cryomodule Assembly

- Several assembly steps required modifications to avoid mechanical strain on the cavities.

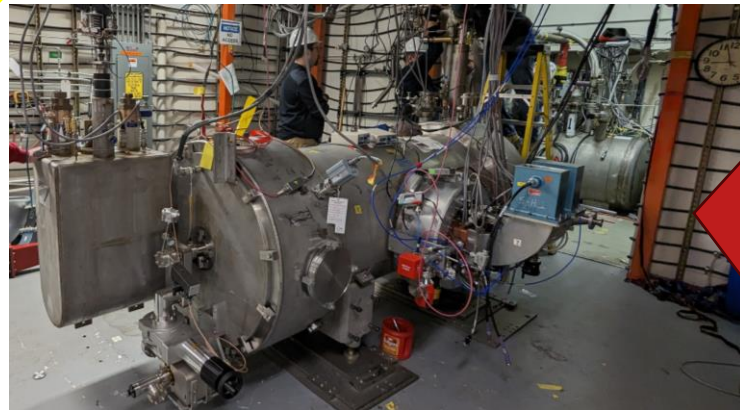
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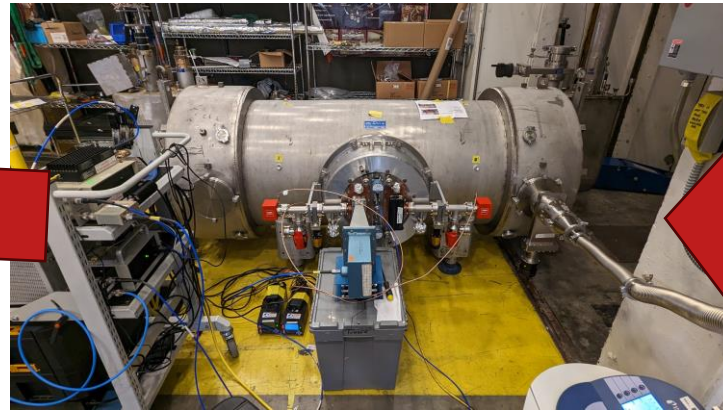
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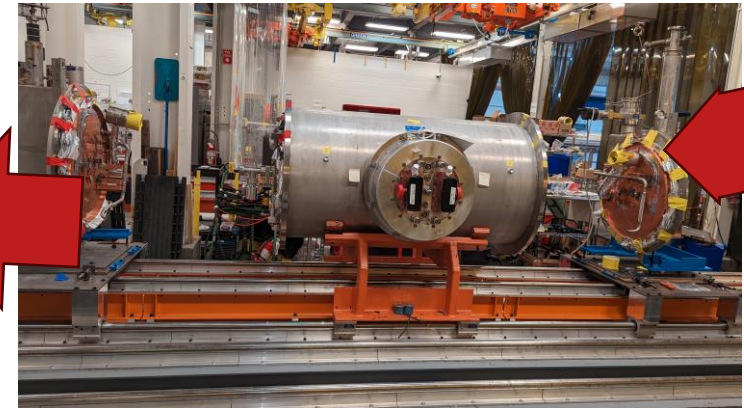
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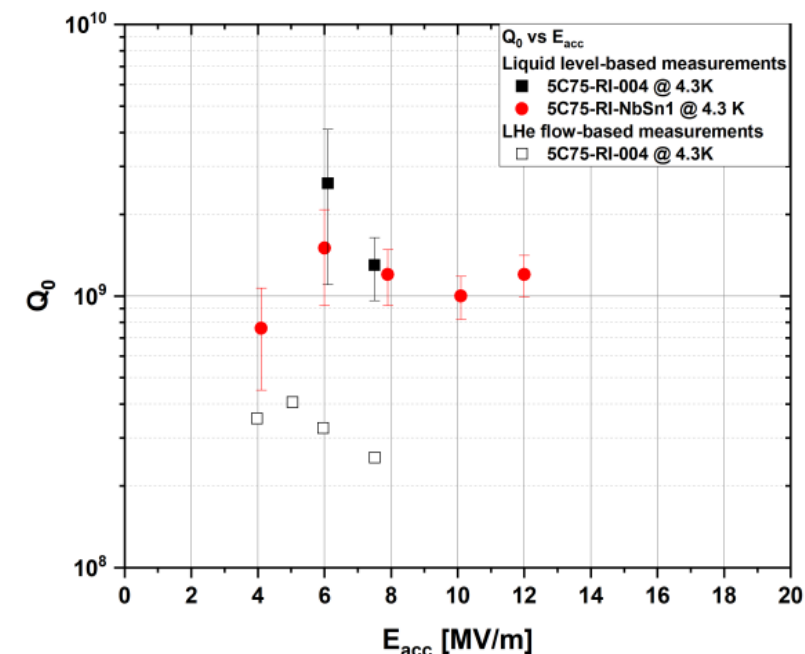
Slow cooldown with temperature gradient  $\sim 0.3$  K across the cryomodule.

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# QCM Preliminary Qualification Test Results

- Accelerating gradients close to vertical test at 4 K
- Frequency difference between two cavities  $\sim 150$  kHz
- 2<sup>nd</sup> cavity tuned to match the first one at 2 K– no degradation

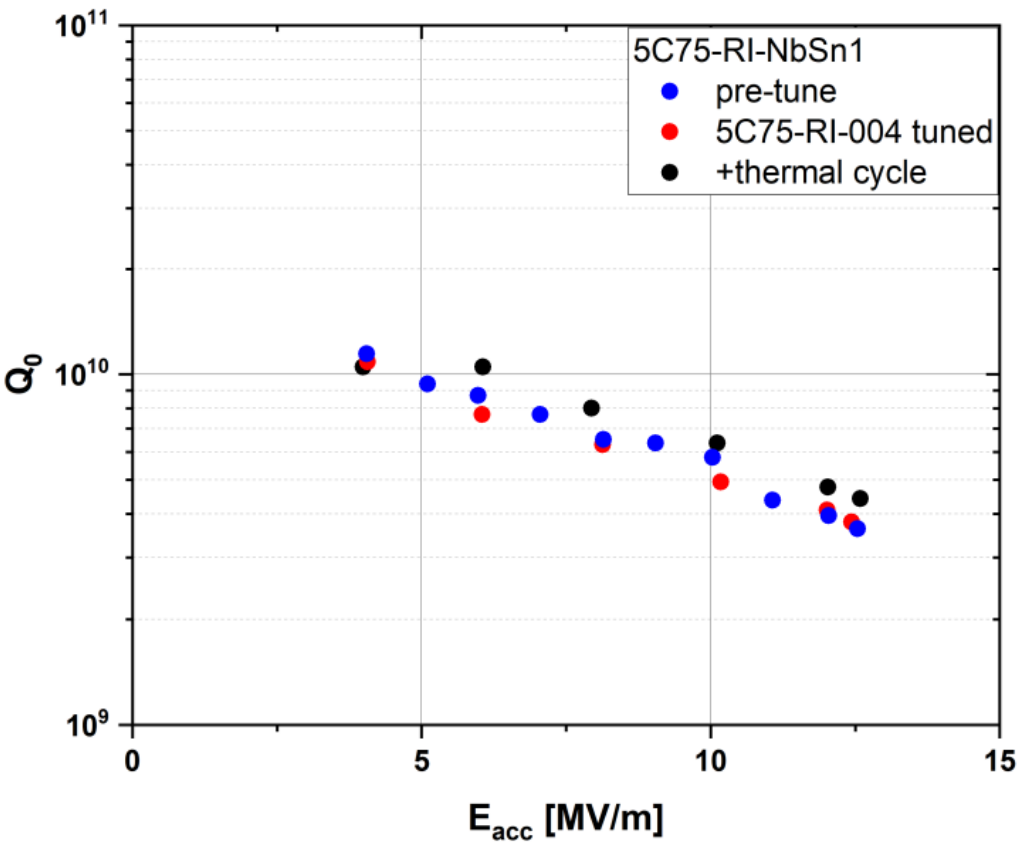
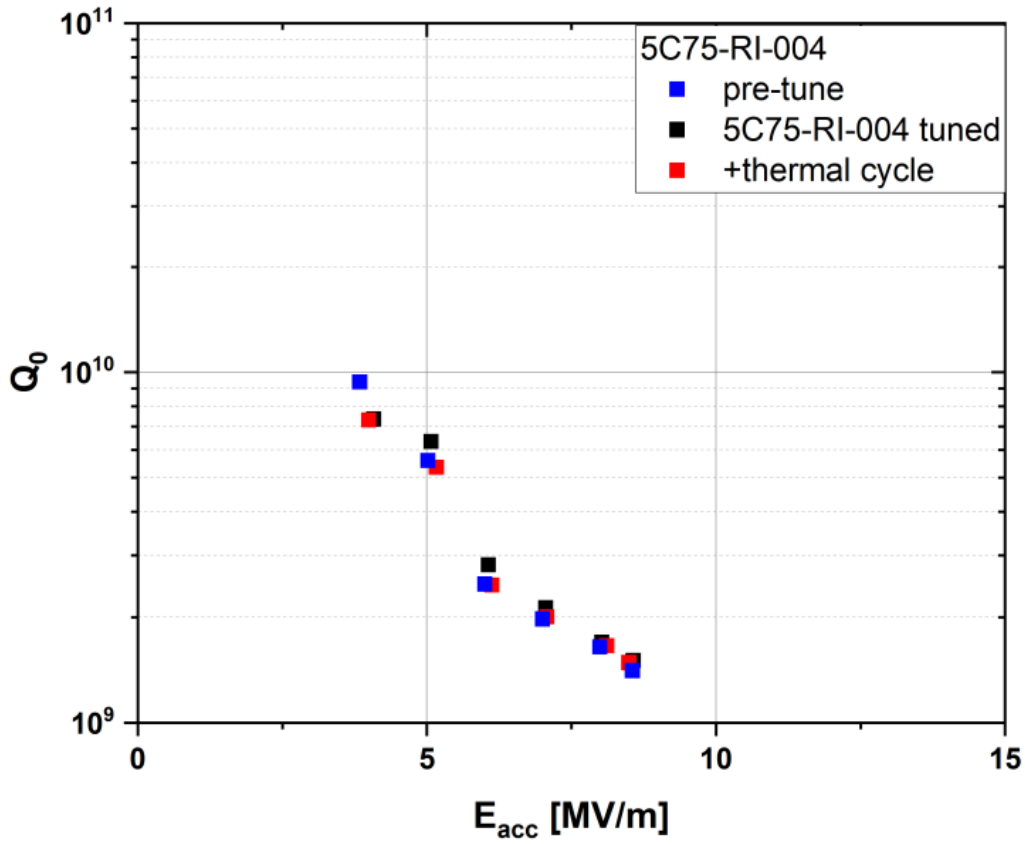
Cavity	$E_{\max}$ at 4.4 K (MV/m)	$E_{\text{op}}$ at 4.4 K (MV/m)	$E_{\max}$ at 2.1 K (MV/m)	$E_{\text{op}}$ at 2.1 K (MV/m)
<b>5C75-RI-NbSn01 (cavity #7)</b>	13.3	12.6	13.2	12.4
<b>5C75-RI-04 (cavity #8)</b>	7.9	7.5	8.7	8.5



Cavity performance at 4.4 K. No degradation in the field but reduced quality factor compared to VTA test: cooldown and measurement technique effects?

First demonstration of **>10 MeV** Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cryomodule

# Cryomodule performance performance at 2 K

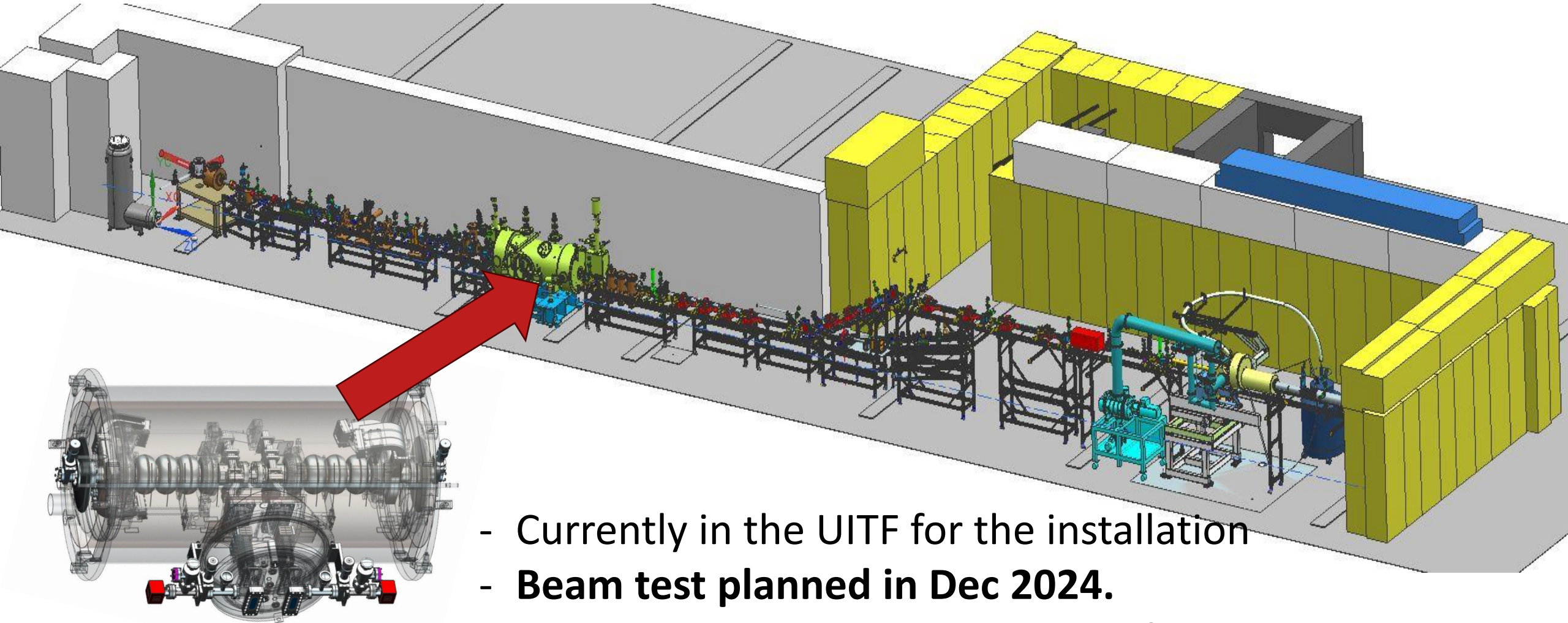


5C75-RI-004 cavity tuned by ~ 180 KHz at 2 K to match the frequency of 5C75-RI-NbSn01  
induced no degradation.

Eremeev, G., U. Pudasaini, A. Reilly, B. Tennis, G. Ciovati, J. Fischer, M. Drury et al. "First results from two Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cavities assembled in a CEBAF quarter Cryomodule." In Proc. 32nd Linear Accelerator Conference (LINAC'24)

# What's next?

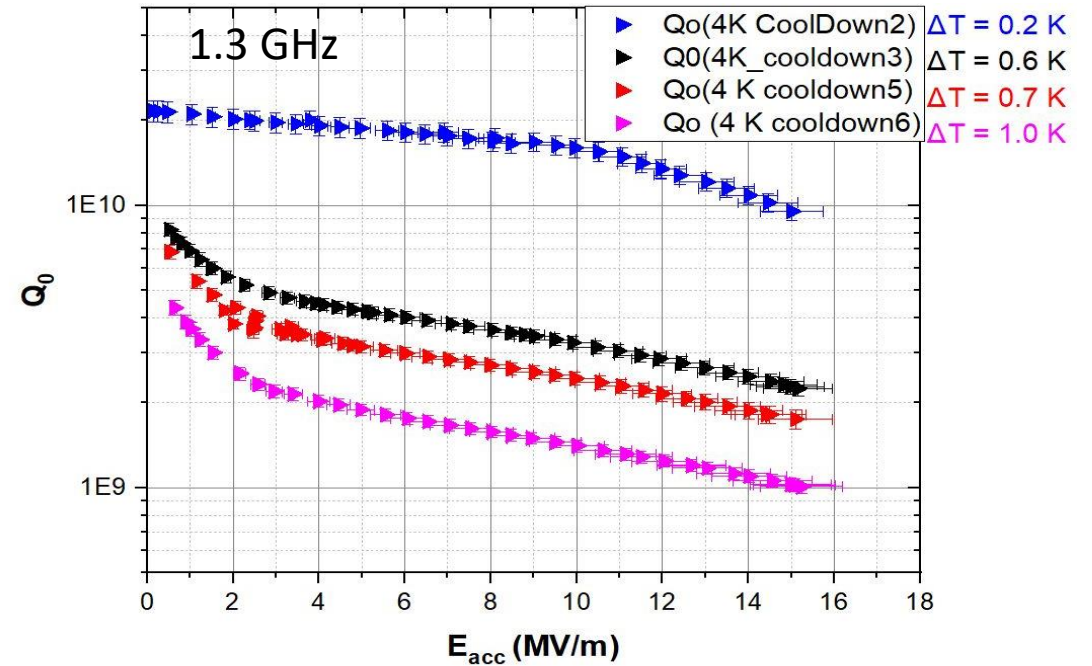
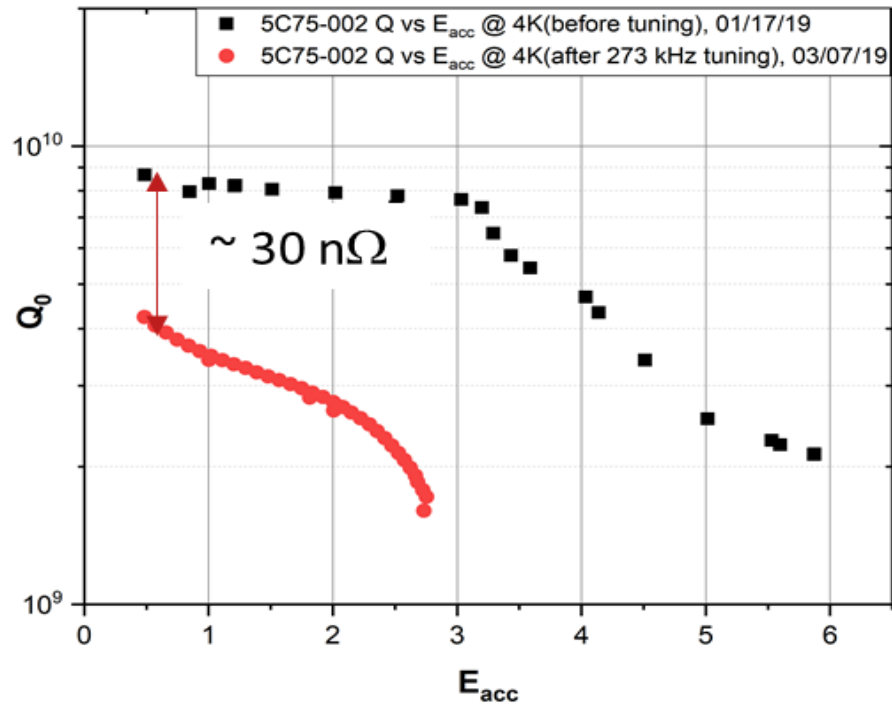
## *Upgraded Injector Facility at Jefferson Lab*



- Currently in the UITF for the installation
- **Beam test planned in Dec 2024.**

**Stay Tuned.**

# Lessons Learned



## Challenges in Deploying $Nb_3Sn$ Cavities for Accelerators

- ❑ Mechanical vulnerability due to material brittleness – Need for specific procedures
  - Risks associated with handling & assembly
  - Tuning sensitivity
- ❑ Bi-layer material
  - Thermal current during the cooldown resulting in Q-degradation

# Summary & Outlook

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- ❑ First-ever  $\geq 10$  MV/m gradient achieved in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cryomodule with multi-cell cavities
- ❑ Cryomodule progressing for the beam test in the UITF
- ❑ Material brittleness poses challenges in maintaining performance from fabrication to installation
- ❑ Successful exercise highlighting the potential of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, but further efforts needed for reliable deployment of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn based cavities in cryomodules