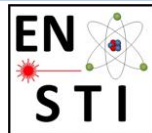


# EN Engineering Department

Recent operation and outlook for the ISOLDE  
Resonance Ionization Laser Ion Source (RILIS)

Bruce Marsh - EN-STI-LP

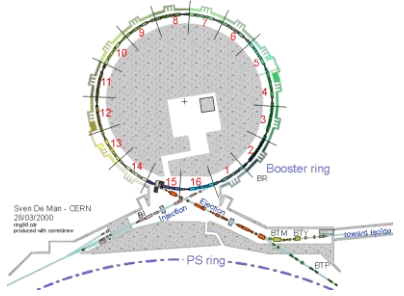
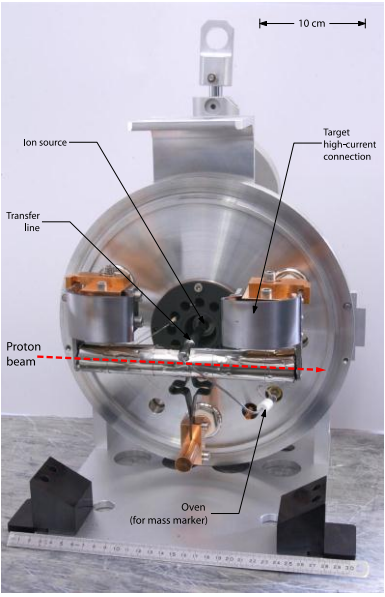
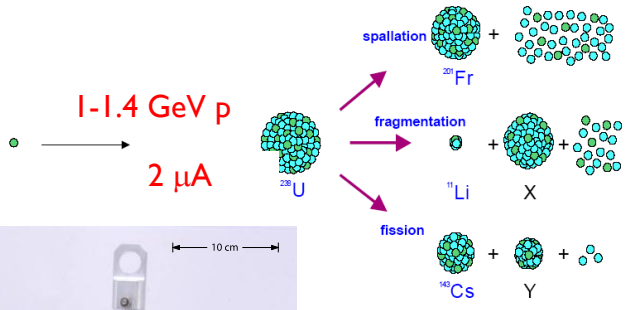
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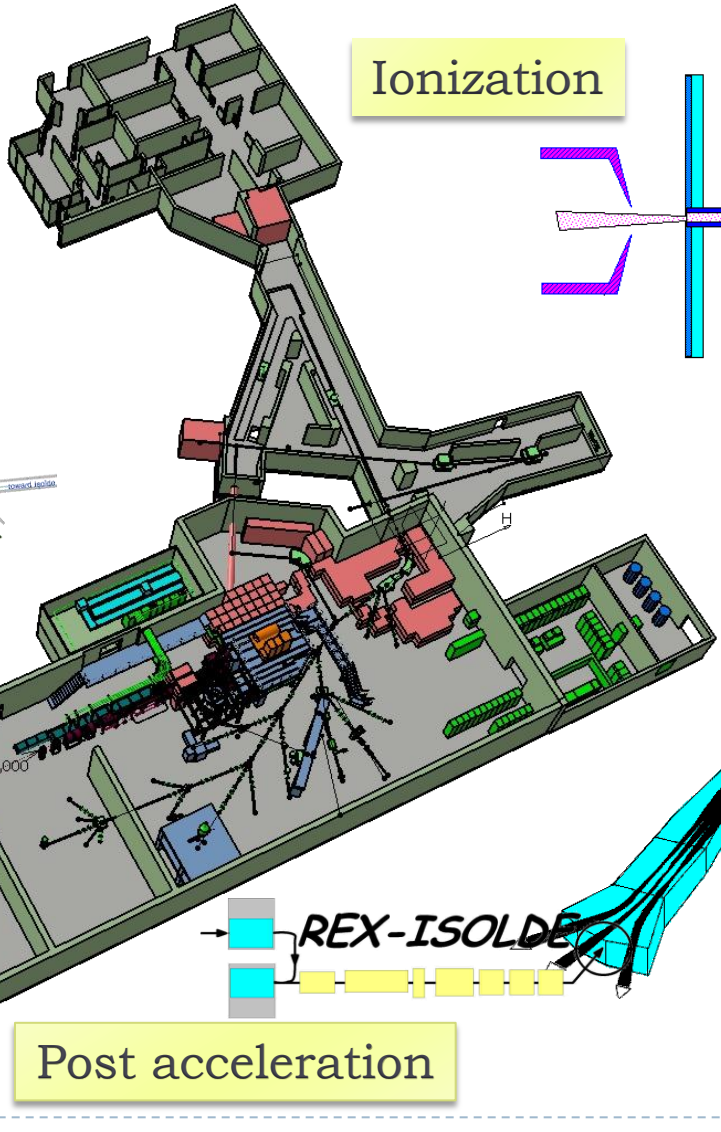
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ISOLDE isotope separator on-line



Production

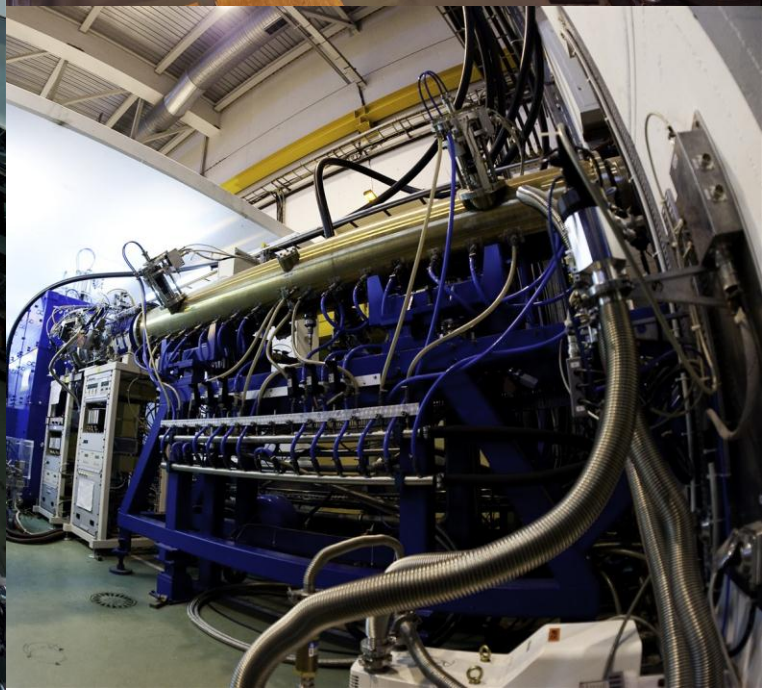


- Single charge:
- Surface
  - Plasma
  - RILIS
  - ECR

Delivers yearly 3200 h of radioactive ion-beams to 30 experiments by means of two target stations

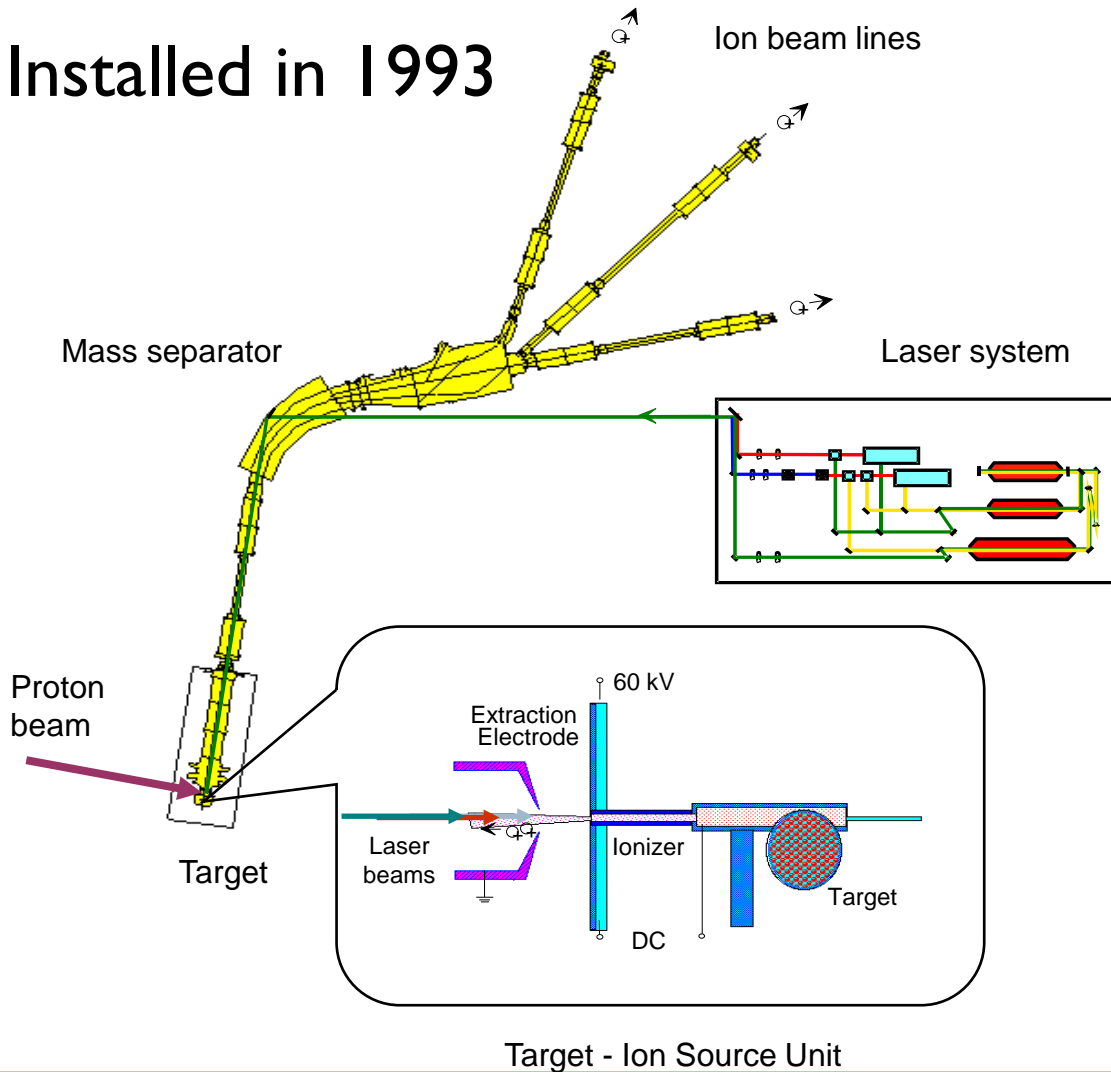
Mass separation







Installed in 1993



Slava Mishin  
(Talk on Friday)



**CVL lasers:**  $\nu_{\text{rep}} = 11.000 \text{ Hz}$   
 Oscillator + 2 amplifiers  
 2-3 dye lasers with amplifiers,  
 nonlinear crystals BBO:

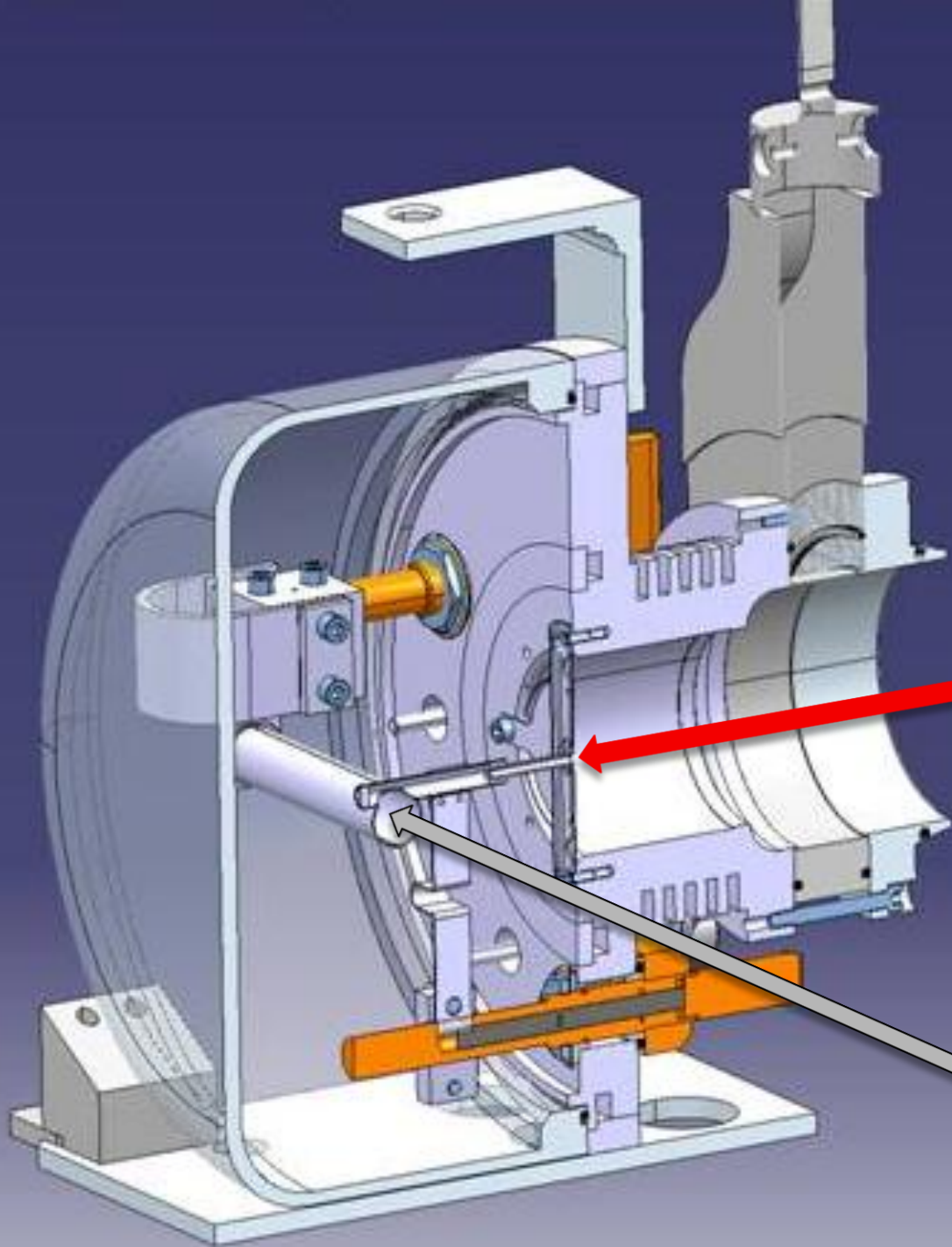
$$P_{\text{Cu}}^{\text{total}} \leq 75 \text{ W}$$

$$P_{\text{dye}} \leq 8 \text{ W}$$

$$P_{2\omega} \leq 2 \text{ W}$$

$$P_{3\omega} \leq 0.2 \text{ W}$$

Mishin, V., Fedoseyev, V., Kluge, H., Letokhov, V., Ravn, H., Scheerer, F., Shirakabe, Y. et al. (1993).  
 Chemically selective laser ion-source for the CERN-ISOLDE on-line mass separator facility. NIM B: 73(4), 550–560.



**RILIS LASERS**

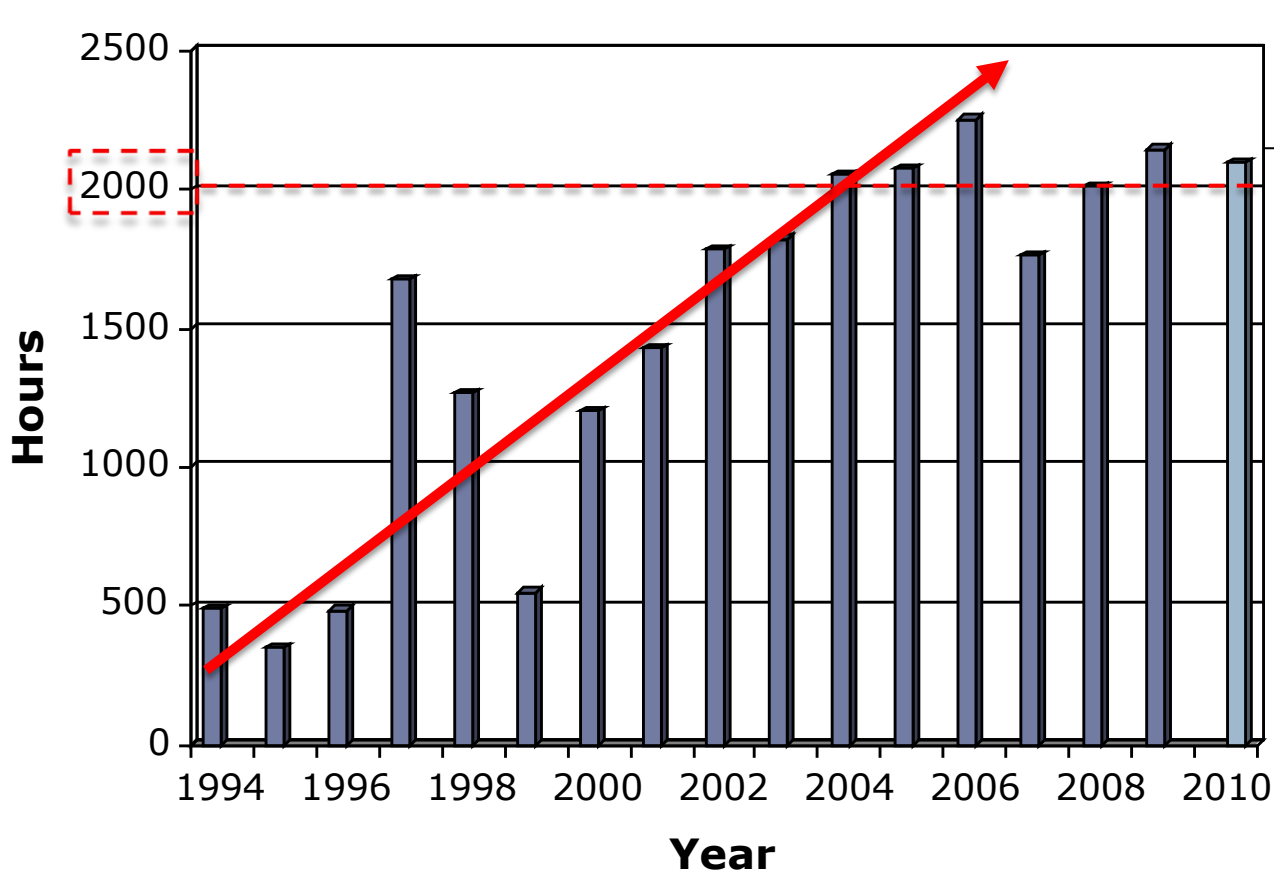
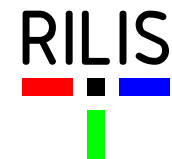
> 20 m optical path  
3 mm diameter ion source

Proton beam  
from PSB

~10 cm



RILIS operation: 1994-2010



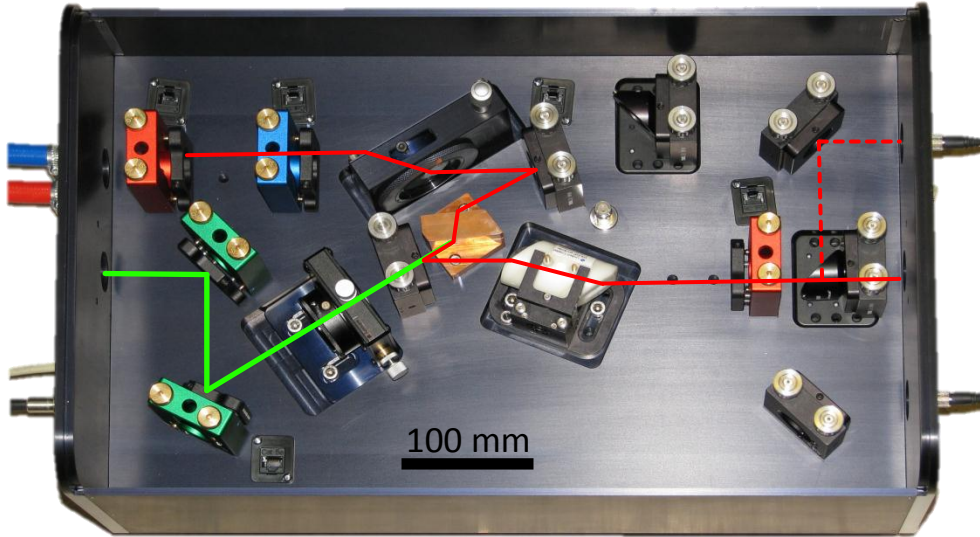
Laser ON time  
in 2010:

2096 h - total  
2000 h - on-line

Laser time  
per beam for  
the 2010

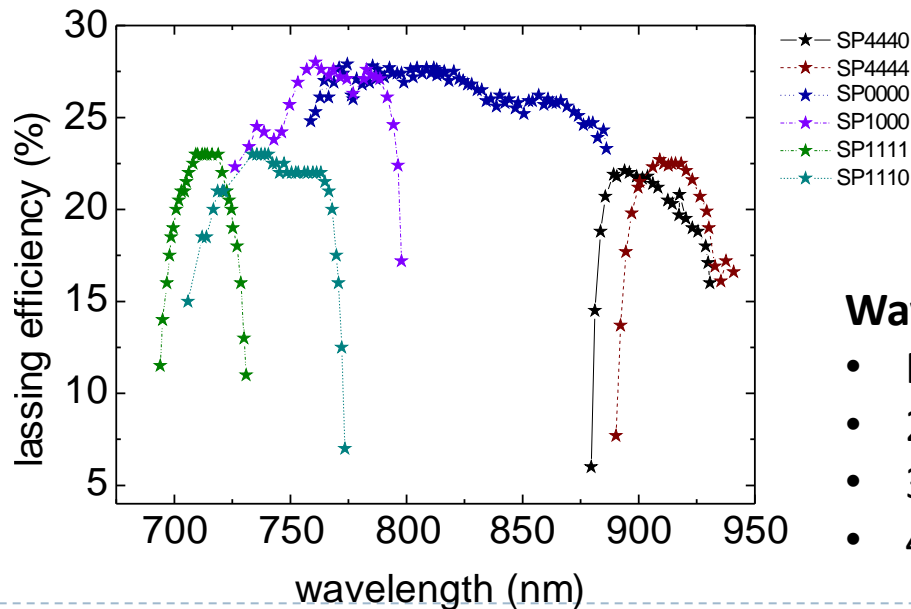
Sm	Mg	Cu	Ga	Tl	Be	Pb	Mn	Au	Be	Zn	Ag	At
52	154	183	52	184	54	123	228	114	344	299	140	74





**Pump laser: Nd:YAG (532 nm),**  
Photonics Industries Ltd. DM60  
Repetition rate: 10 kHz  
Pulse length: 180 ns  
Power: 60 W

**Ti:Sa lasers:**  
Line width: 5 GHz  
Pulse length: 30-50 ns



**Wavelength tuning range (6 mirror sets):**

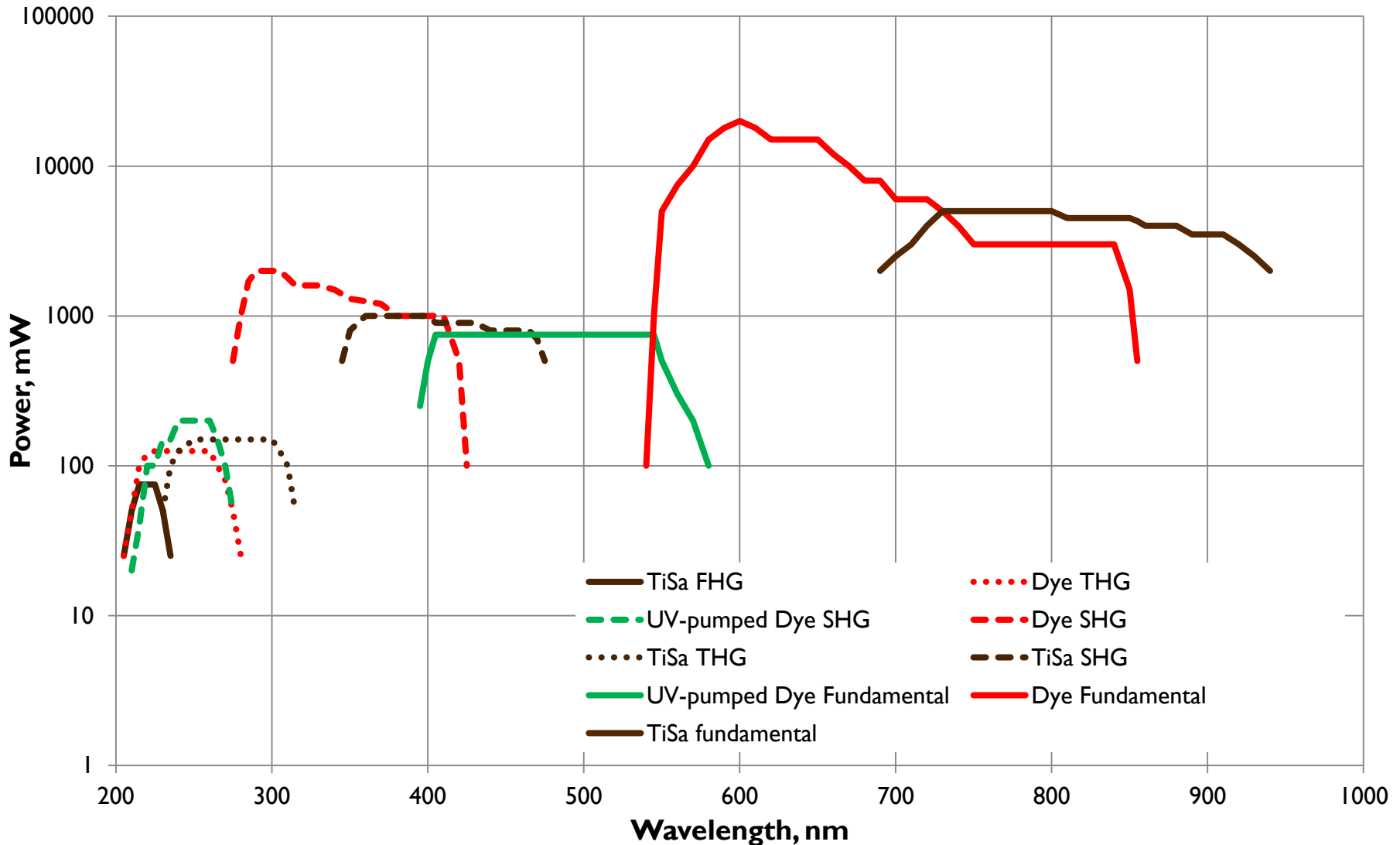
- Fundamental ( $\omega$ ) **690 - 940** nm (5 W)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic ( $2\omega$ ) **345 - 470** nm (1 W)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic ( $3\omega$ ) **230 - 310** nm (150 mW)
- 4<sup>th</sup> harmonic ( $4\omega$ ) **205 - 235** nm (50 mW)

Featured in the next talk by **Sebastian Rothe**

“A complementary laser system for ISOLDE RILIS”

S Rothe et al: Journal of Physics: Conference Series 312 (2011) 052020

Dual RILIS tuning range



Fedosseev, V. N., Fedorov, D.V, Fink, D., Losito, R., Marsh, B.A., S.Rothe et al. (2012).

Upgrade of the RILIS at ISOLDE; Rev. Sci. Inst 83(2), 02A903. doi:10.1063/1.3662206

# The RILIS Dye + Ti:Sa system

Improved HRS laser beam launch system with a 4<sup>th</sup> laser beam path for laser transport to ISCOOL

Sirah dye lasers with 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic generation and UV pumping option

Narrow band dye laser with computer controlled grating and etalon for high resolution spectroscopy or isomer selectivity

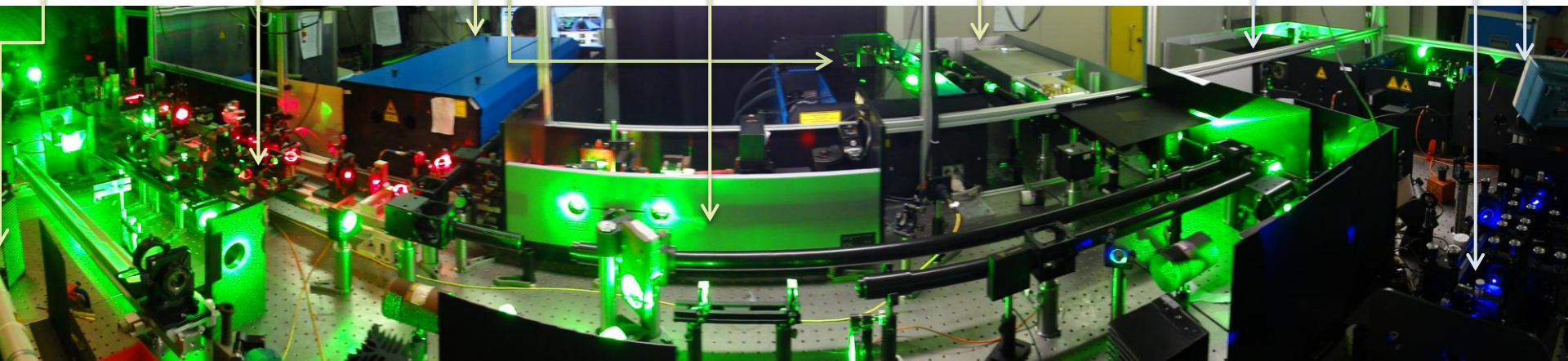
Edgewave Nd:YAG laser for dye pumping or non resonant ionization

3 Ti:Sa lasers

Dye laser 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic generator

Photonics Industries Nd:YAG pump laser for the Ti:Sa lasers

Harmonic generation unit for Ti:Sa system

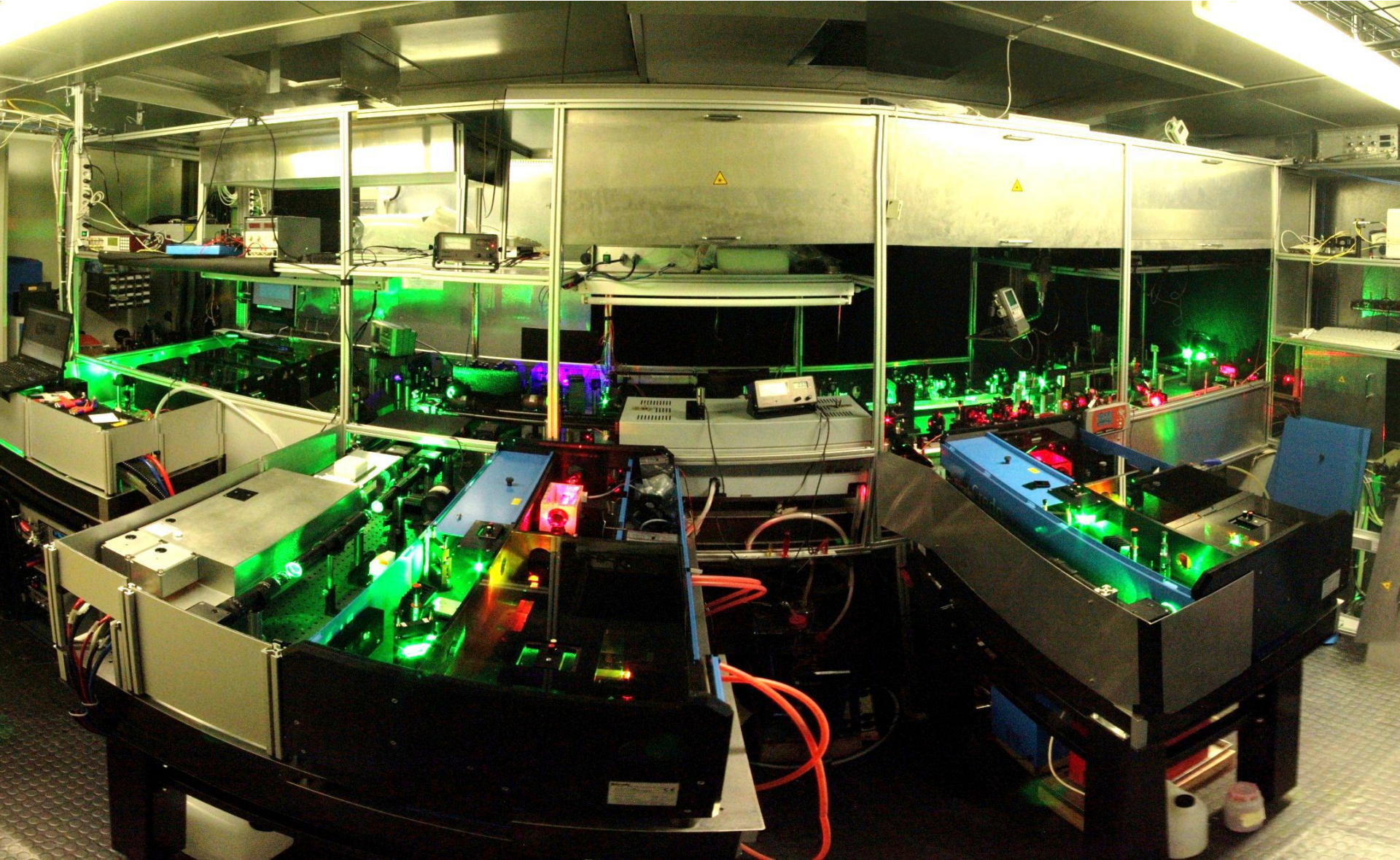


- RILIS cabin layout has been redesigned to accommodate the new lasers
- Dye and Ti:Sa synchronization → mixed ionization schemes are possible
- The laboratory is now at maximum capacity – extension is planned.

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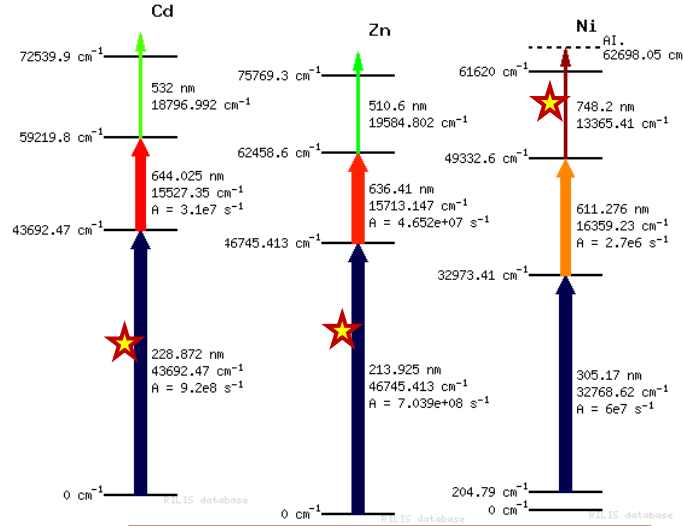
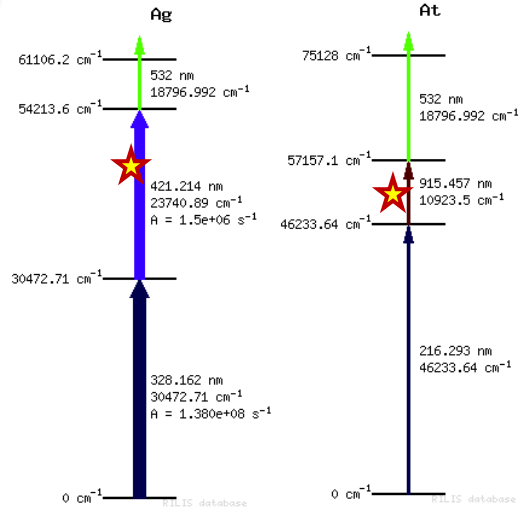
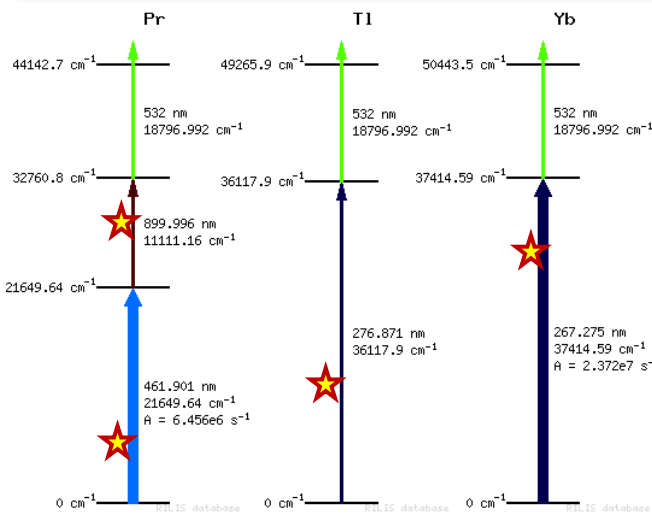
New modes of operation

Prerequisite for dual operation: **Temporal synchronization** pulses of the two laser systems

100W Nd:YAG laser is available for non-resonant ionization in **Ti:Sa only** schemes

**Mixed schemes**

Dye and Ti:Sa are **exchangeable**



Increased efficiencies

New elements

Backup solution

Keep one dye set up for future, use Ti:Sa instead

Reduction in down time

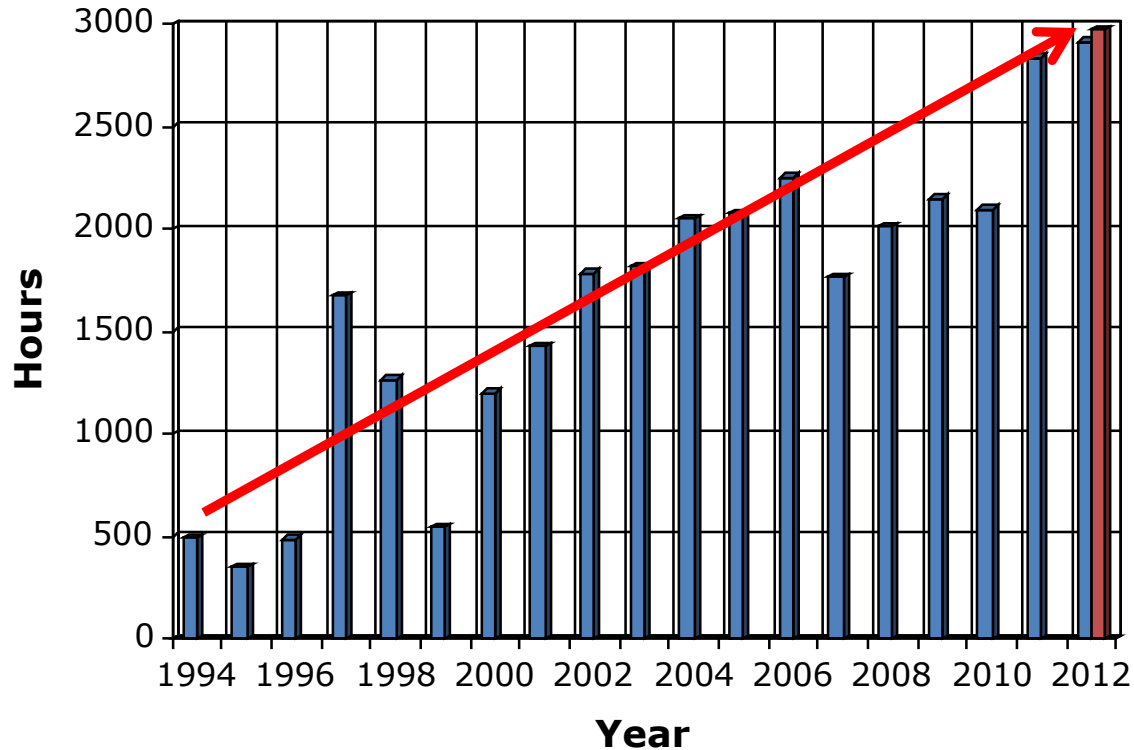
The Dual-RILIS is unique amongst laser ion sources



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Ion beams of **13** elements were produced with RILIS in **2012**

Laser ON time in 2012:



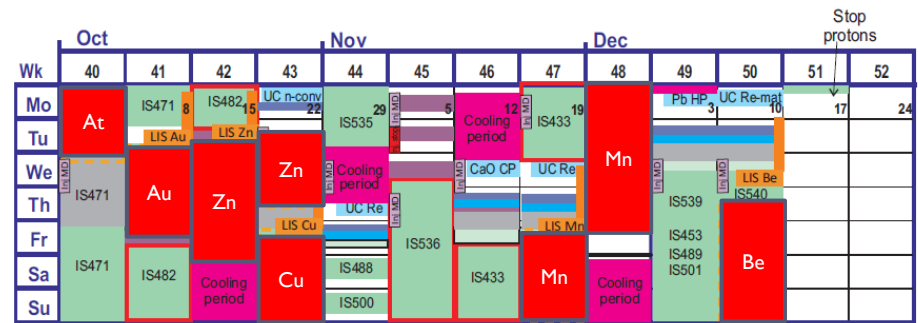
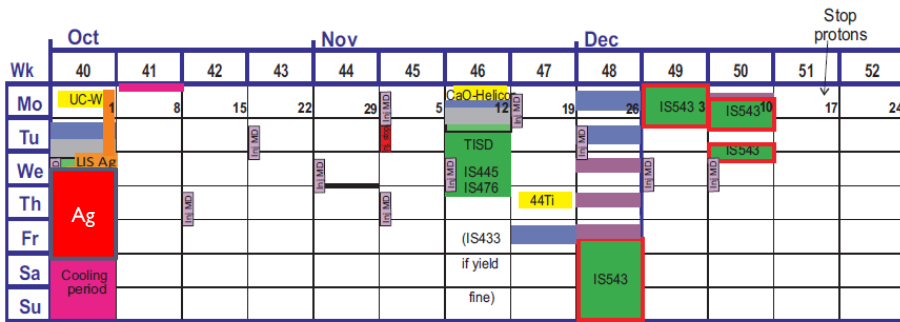
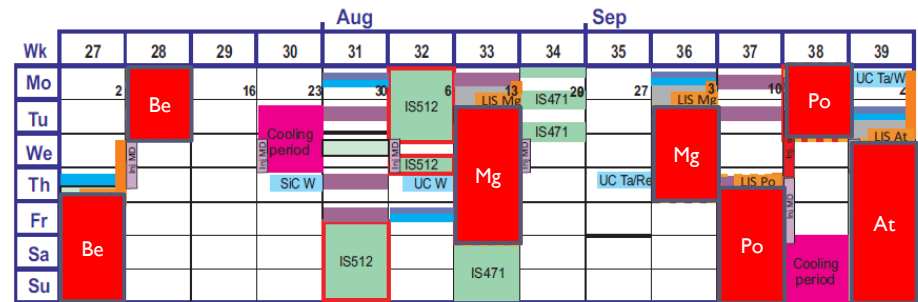
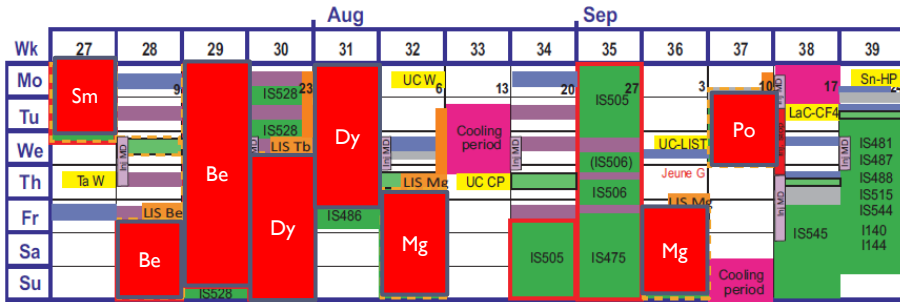
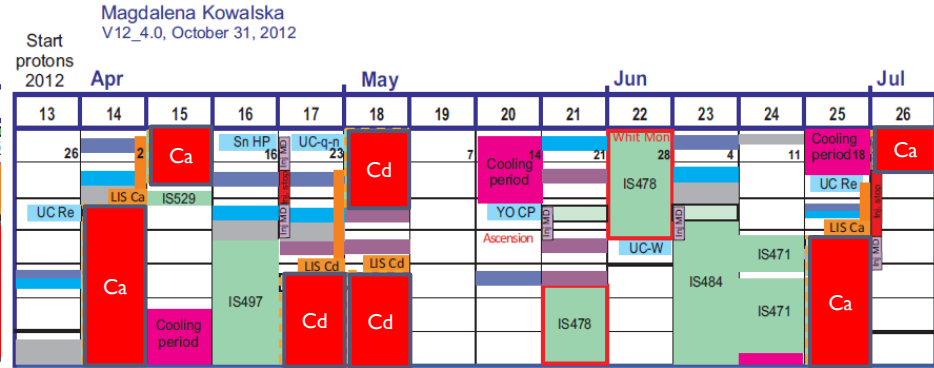
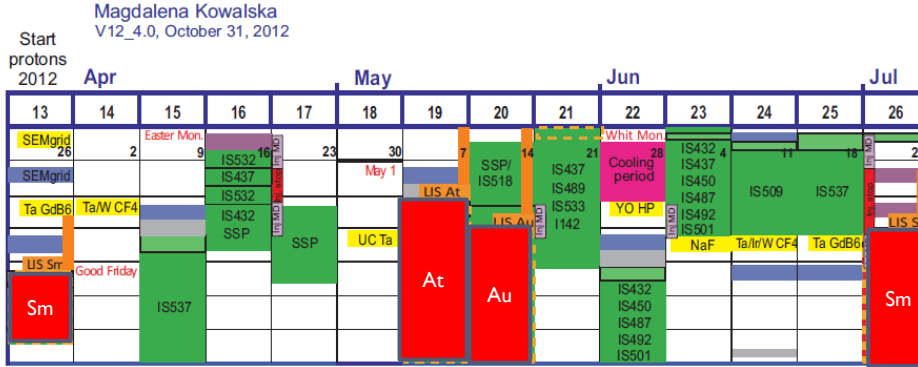
← **3000 h** in 2012  
**24** separate runs  
**344** RILIS operator shifts

Availability of two complementary laser systems (Dye and Ti:Sapphire) has ensured the increase of RILIS beam time in 2011-2012

Beam	Sm 2 runs	Ca 2 runs	Cd	At 2 runs	Au 2 runs	Be 3 runs	Dy	Mg 4 runs	Po 2 runs	Ag 2 runs	Zn	Cu	Mn
Planned	208	272	192	300	172	446	88	296	206	96	198	112	148
Real	212	359	253	345	262	278	111	378	206	113	124	69	208

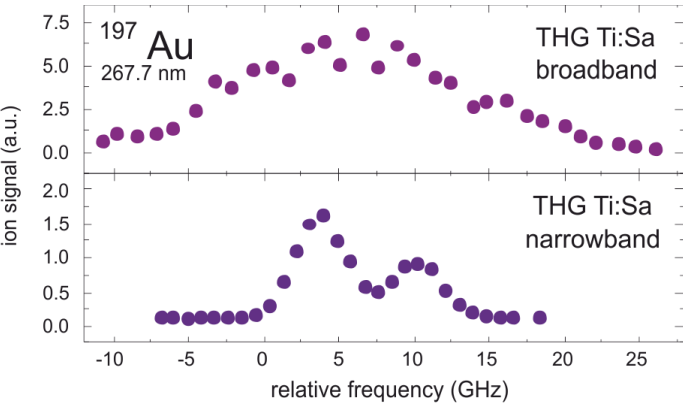
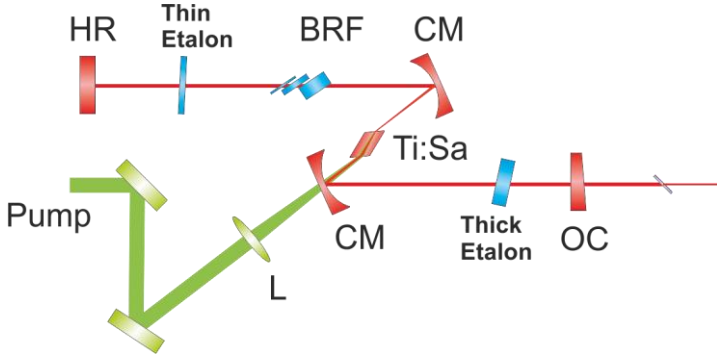
# ISOLDE GPS SCHEDULE 2012

# ISOLDE HRS SCHEDULE 2012



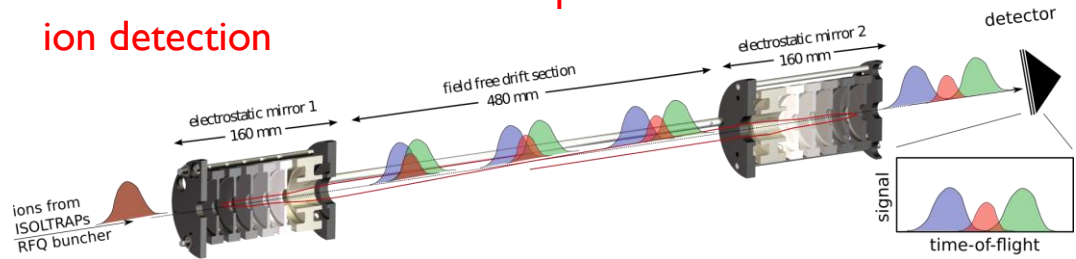


Dual etalon, narrow line-width Ti:Sa

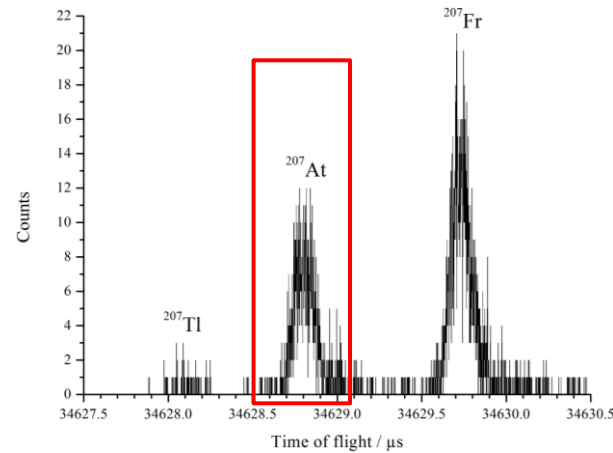


- Addition of a thick etalon to the Ti:Sa cavity
- Reduction of linewidth from >5 GHz → <1GHz
- Remote dual etalon control, automatic optimization routine and feedback based frequency stabilization

ISOLTRAP MR-TOF isobar separated ion detection



- Mass resolution in the range of  $M/\Delta M = 10^6$
- MCP is used for direct ion detection with ~1% efficiency: No activity required for detection.
- Direct communication with RILIS for cycle triggering and shared data acquisition is established.



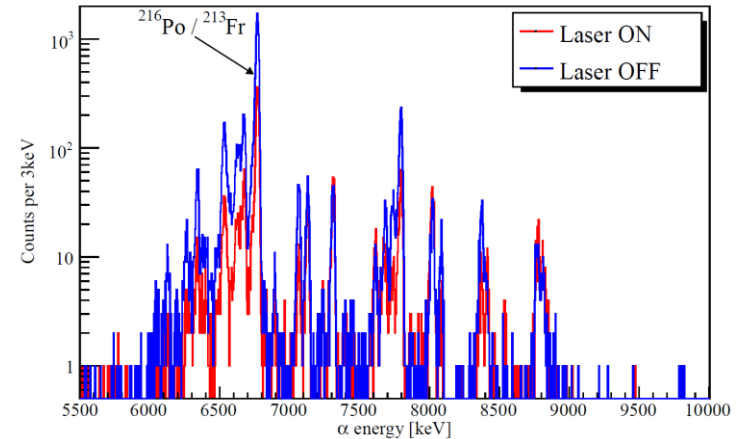
See talks of **Anatoly Barzakh** and **Maxim Seliversov** on Friday

R. N. Wolf et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A 686, 82-90 (2012), (MR-TOF)

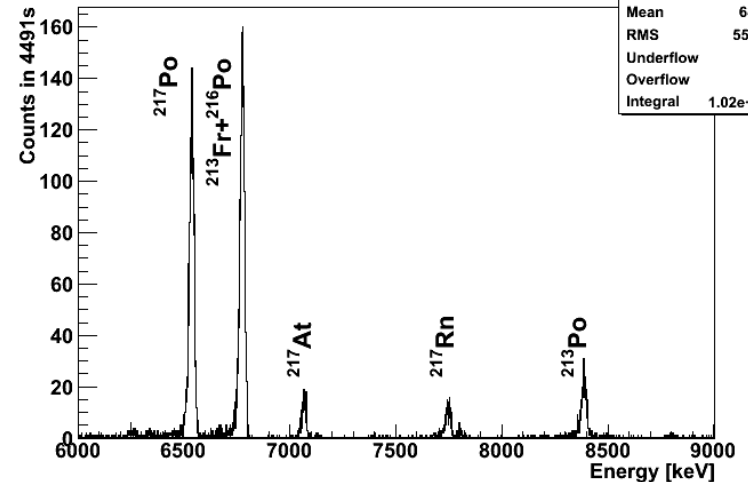
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**LIST + UCx run for Fr suppression for laser spectroscopy of Po**

- **Suppression of > 1000 for most surface ions**
- **Ionization efficiency reduction by  $\approx 20x$  (Mg,Po)**



Si2 - A=217 - all data



Talk by **Sven Richter** on Friday morning!

► **Daniel Fink** (CERN, Univ. Heidelberg) and **Sven Richter** (Univ. Mainz): **PhD work**

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## Future developments

- **Extension of RILIS cabin** GENERAL RILIS DEVELOPMENTS
  - Enlarged entrance/storage and work area to maximize the useable laser laboratory space
- **Implement a dedicated, high power Nd:YVO<sub>4</sub> laser for non resonant ionization**
  - High beam quality industrial laser could significantly improve efficiency for many schemes.
  - Would simplify RILIS setup, increase reliability and reduce setup time.
- **On-call operation**
  - Installation of a machine protection and monitoring system to reduce reliance on shift-based operation
  - To be implemented during LS1

- Investigate RILIS for refractory metals at ISOLDE IONIZATION SCHEMES
- Improved RILIS schemes for the Dual RILIS system *See talk of Tom Day Goodacre*

- Installation of a reference cell at RILIS IN-SOURCE SPECTROSCOPY
- Pulsed amplification of CW seeded Dye laser or TiSa
- Improved motorization of Narrow-band TiSa *See talk of Anatoly Barzakh*

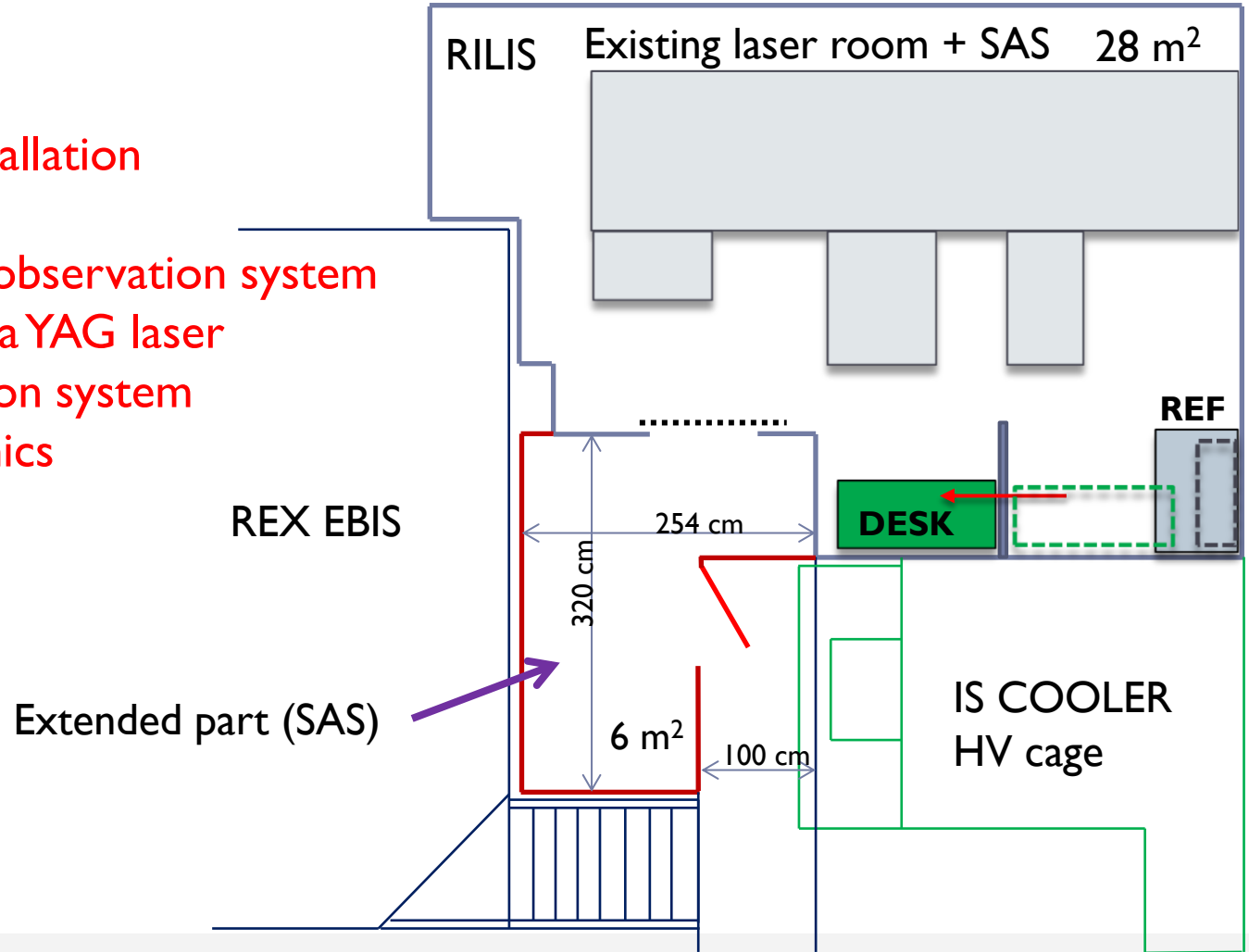
- Further optimization of LIST SELECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS
- Improving the laser ion time structure or using a time focus for effective beam gating *See talk of Sven Richter*



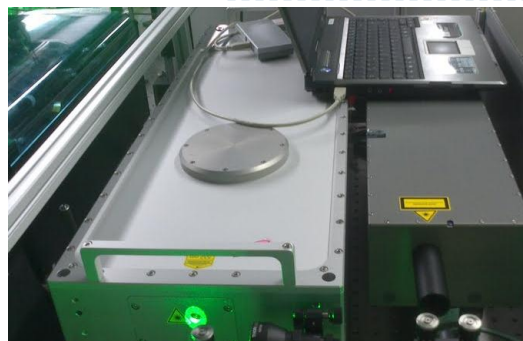
RILIS room extension

**Required for:**

- Safety
- Reference cell installation
- Dye handling
- Upgrade of beam observation system
- Installation of extra YAG laser
- Improved ventilation system
- Comfort/ergonomics



Independent laser for non resonant ionization



- **40W** at 10 kHz
- **17ns Pulse**
- **Low Jitter**
- **Gaussian beam**
- **Much better transmission efficiency to ion source**

Blaze laser installed for a short test at RILIS in Dec 2012

Laser	Laser Power (on table)	Reference beam power in 3 mm aperture	Transport efficiency
Edgewave	43 W	370 mW	33 %
Blaze	15 W	350 mW	> 80%
Blaze	40 W	800 mW	~80 %

A similar efficiency improvement should be expected for the **18** RILIS elements that use non-resonant ionization for the final step!

Power dependent thermal lensing in the beam transport optics is to be eliminated  
 Can be used for Dye and Ti:Sa pumping as a back-up laser

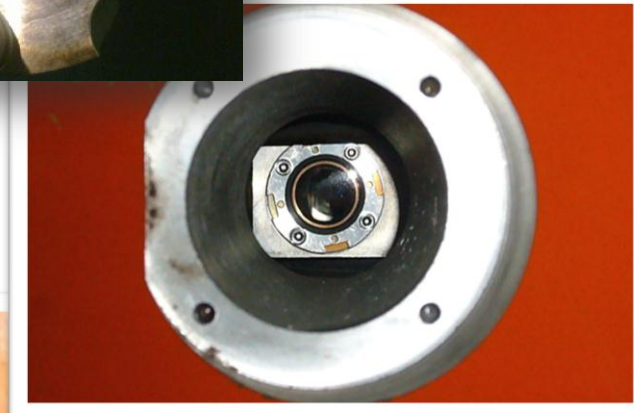
Upgrade of HRS window

**Problem with existing window**

- 1) Window contamination:
  - Annual window change is required
  - Difficult to access for change or inspection
- 2) Thermal lensing:
  - Defocussing issue for high power beams must be measured and resolved

**Solution**

1. Extend the vacuum chamber and mount an adjustable window outside the magnet shielding
2. Use the internal and external reflections from the window for thermal lens and contamination diagnostics



**Dye Leak:**

**Fire hazard; laser damage risk**

Up to 6 dye circulators each containing up to 3 L of ethanol flowing at 7 L/min.

*Action required: Stop dye circulator, Stop or block pump laser, alert the laser operator.*



Organic solvent detector (breathalyzer)



Laser beam shutter or pump laser switch **OFF** using interlock system **RELAY** for circulator interlock

**Dye flow interruption:**

**Fire hazard; laser damage risk**

Up to 40 W pump beam focused on dye cell. Almost immediate dye cell damage if dye flow stops.

*Action required: Block pump beam to dye laser, alert the laser operator.*

**Solution to be tested:**



Non invasive dye flow sensor (ULTRASONIC)



Remote controlled Laser beam shutter

**Water leak:**

**Equipment damage risk; electrical safety hazard**

Water cooling for Ti:Sa crystals. Water cooling network for each dye circulator. Water cooled pump lasers

*Action required: Stop pump lasers, alert the laser operator.*



Install water leak sensor cables on laser table and RILIS cabin floor  
Include sensor data logger in RILIS monitoring system



# On-call operation

3 requirements for On-Call operation:

1) Machine protection / safety

2) Performance monitoring

3) Automation

This must be a **ROBUST** system (PC independent).

+ Alert system to request operator intervention.

To maintain RILIS performance therefore reducing the frequency of operator interventions.

→ **ESSENTIAL** ←

**NON ESSENTIAL**

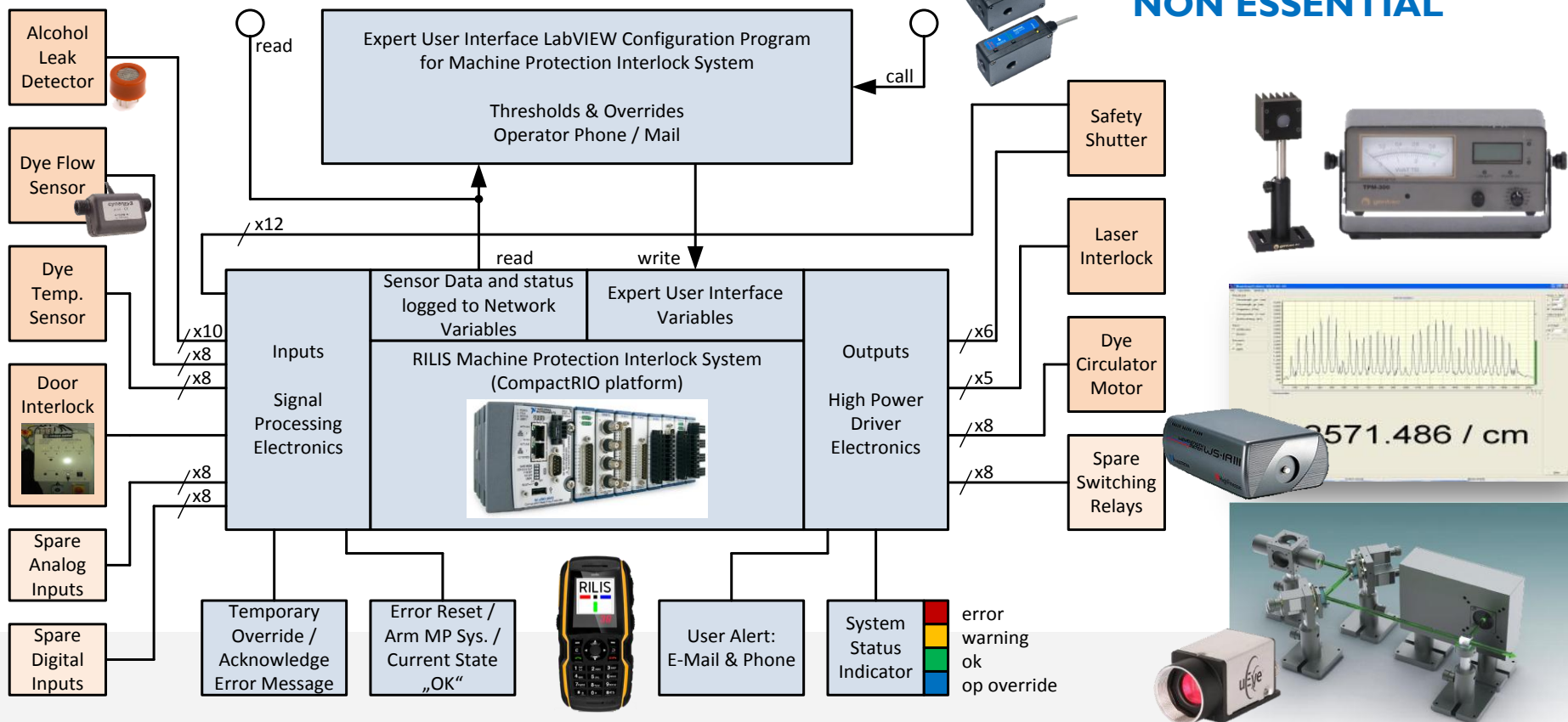


Diagram made by **Ralf Rossel**; the project is being realized in collaboration with **EN-STI-ECE**

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Spectroscopy with RILIS

**IS511**

Shape coexistence in the lightest Tl isotopes studied by laser spectroscopy

<http://greybook.cern.ch/programmes/experiments/IS511.html>

**IS534**

Beta-delayed fission, laser spectroscopy and shape-coexistence studies with radioactive At beams

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**IS456**

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Spare slides



# RILIS scheme setup requirements

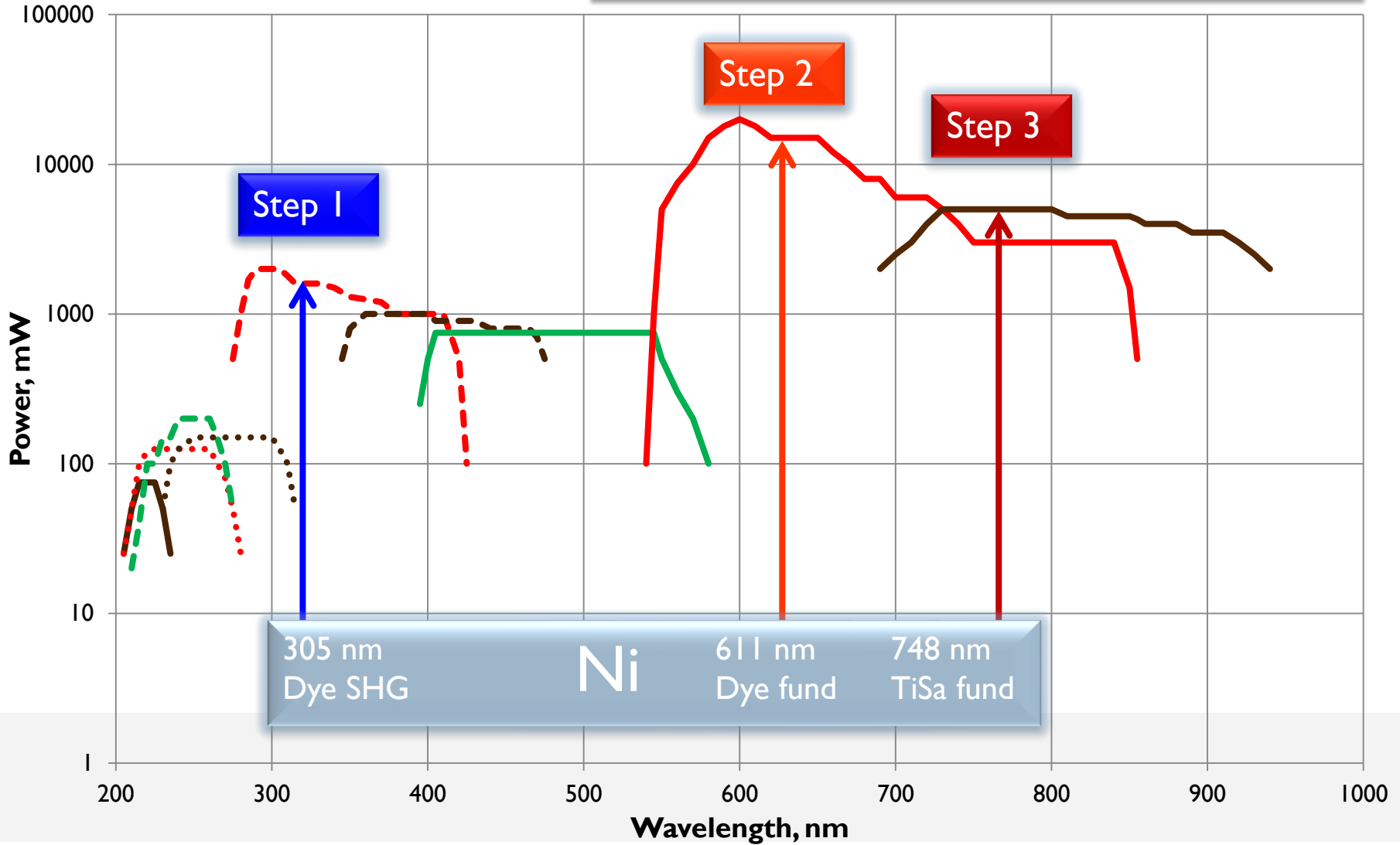
Element	Dye laser schemes								Ti:Sa schemes					
	Setting time* days	Step 1		Step 2		Step 3		Efficiency off-line	Step 1		Step 2		Step 3	
		$\lambda_1$ , nm	Dye	$\lambda_2$ , nm	Dye/YAG	$\lambda_3$ , nm	Dye/YAG		$\lambda_1$ , nm	Fundamental	$\lambda_2$ , nm	Fundamental	$\lambda_3$ , nm	TiSa/YAG
<sup>4</sup> Be	3	234.9	Pyridin 1	297.3	Rhod B	-	-	>7%	234.9	939.444	-	-	-	-
<sup>12</sup> Mg	2	285.2	Rhod 6G	552.8	Fluorescein 27	532.1	YAG	10%	285.2	855.639	552.8	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>13</sup> Al	2	309.3	Rhod B	532.1	YAG	-	-	20%	309.3	-	532.1	-	-	-
<sup>20</sup> Ca	2	308.2	Rhod B	-	-	-	-	-	308.2	-	-	-	-	-
<sup>20</sup> Ca	2	272.2	?	532.1	YAG	-	-	0.50%	422.7	845.346	-	Rhod B	-	DCM
<sup>21</sup> Sc	2	327.4	Phenox 9	719.8	Pyridin 2 ?	532.1	YAG	15%	327.4	-	719.8	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>25</sup> Mn	3	279.8	Rhod 6G	628.3	DCM	635.8	DCM	19%	279.8	-	628.3	-	635.8	-
<sup>27</sup> Co	2	304.4	Rhod B	544.5	Fluorescein 27	532.1	YAG	>3.8%	304.4	-	544.5	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>28</sup> Ni	3	305.1	Rhod B	611.1	Rhod B	748.2	Styr 8	>6%	-	Dye	-	Dye	748.2	TiSa
<sup>29</sup> Cu	2	327.4	Phenox 9	287.9	Rhod 6G	-	-	>7%	327.4	-	287.9	-	-	-
<sup>30</sup> Zn	3	213.9	DCM	636.2	DCM	532.1	YAG	4.90%	213.9	855.428	636.2	Dye	532.1	YAG
<sup>31</sup> Ga	2	287.4	Rhod 6G	532.1	YAG	-	-	21%	287.4	-	532.1	-	-	-
<sup>31</sup> Ga	2	294.4	Pyrr 597	-	-	-	-	-	294.4	-	-	-	-	-
<sup>39</sup> Y	2	414.3	Styr 9	662.4	Phenox 9	510.6	YAG	-	414.3	-	662.4	-	510.6	YAG
<sup>47</sup> Ag	2	328.1	Phenox 9	546.6	Fluorescein 27	532.1	YAG	14%	328.1	-	546.6	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>48</sup> Cd	3	228.8	Pyridin 1	643.8	DCM	532.1	YAG	10.40%	228.8	915.208	643.8	Dye	532.1	YAG
<sup>49</sup> In	2	303.9	Rhod B	532.1	YAG	-	-	-	303.9	-	532.1	-	-	-
<sup>49</sup> In	2	325.6	Phenox 9	-	-	-	-	-	325.6	-	-	-	-	-
<sup>50</sup> Sn	4	286.3	Rhod 6G	811.4	Styr 9	823.5	Styr 9	9%	286.3	858.9	811.4	TiSa	823.5	TiSa
<sup>51</sup> Sb	3	217.6	Phenox 9	560.2	Rhod 6G	532.1	YAG	2.70%	217.6	-	560.2	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>60</sup> Nd	2	588.8	Rhod B or Pyrr 597	596.9	Rhod B	596.9	-	-	588.8	-	596.9	-	596.9	-
<sup>62</sup> Sm	3	600.4	Rhod B	675.2	Phenox 9	676.18	Phenox 9	-	600.4	-	675.2	-	676.18	-
<sup>65</sup> Tb	3	579.6	Pyrr 597	551.7	Fluorescein 27	618.3	Rhod B	-	579.6	-	551.7	-	618.3	-
<sup>66</sup> Dy	2	625.9	DCM	607.5	Rhod B	532.1	YAG	20%	625.9	-	607.5	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>70</sup> Yb	2	555.6	Pyrr 567	581.0	Rhod 6G	581.0	Rhod 6G	15%	555.6	-	581.0	-	581.0	-
<sup>71</sup> Lu	-	573.7	Rhod 6G	642.5	DCM	643.5	DCM	-	451.9	903.8	460.7	921.4	-	-
<sup>79</sup> Au	5	267.6	Coum 540A	306.5	DCM	673.9	Phenox 9	>3%	267.6	-	306.5	-	673.9	-
<sup>80</sup> Hg	3	253.7	Styr 8	313.2	DCM	626	DCM	-	253.7	-	313.2	-	626	-
<sup>81</sup> Tl	2	276.8	Rhod 110	532.1	YAG	-	-	27%	276.8	-	532.1	-	-	-
<sup>82</sup> Pb	2	283.3	Rhod 6G	600.2	Rhod B	532.1	YAG	>3%	283.3	-	600.2	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>83</sup> Bi	2	306.8	Rhod B	555.2	Fluorescein 27	532.1	YAG	6%	306.8	-	555.2	-	532.1	YAG
<sup>84</sup> Po	4	255.8	Styr 8	843.4	Styr 9	532.1	YAG	-	255.8	767.403	843.4	TiSa	532.1	YAG
<sup>85</sup> At	4	216.9	Phenox 9	795.4	Styr 9	532.1	YAG	-	216.9	867.6	795.4	TiSa	532.1	YAG
<sup>85</sup> At	4	224.4	Phenox 9	793.2 ?	Styr 9	532.1	YAG	-	224.4	897.6	793.2 ?	TiSa	532.1	YAG



# Ni: Dye-Dye-TiSa



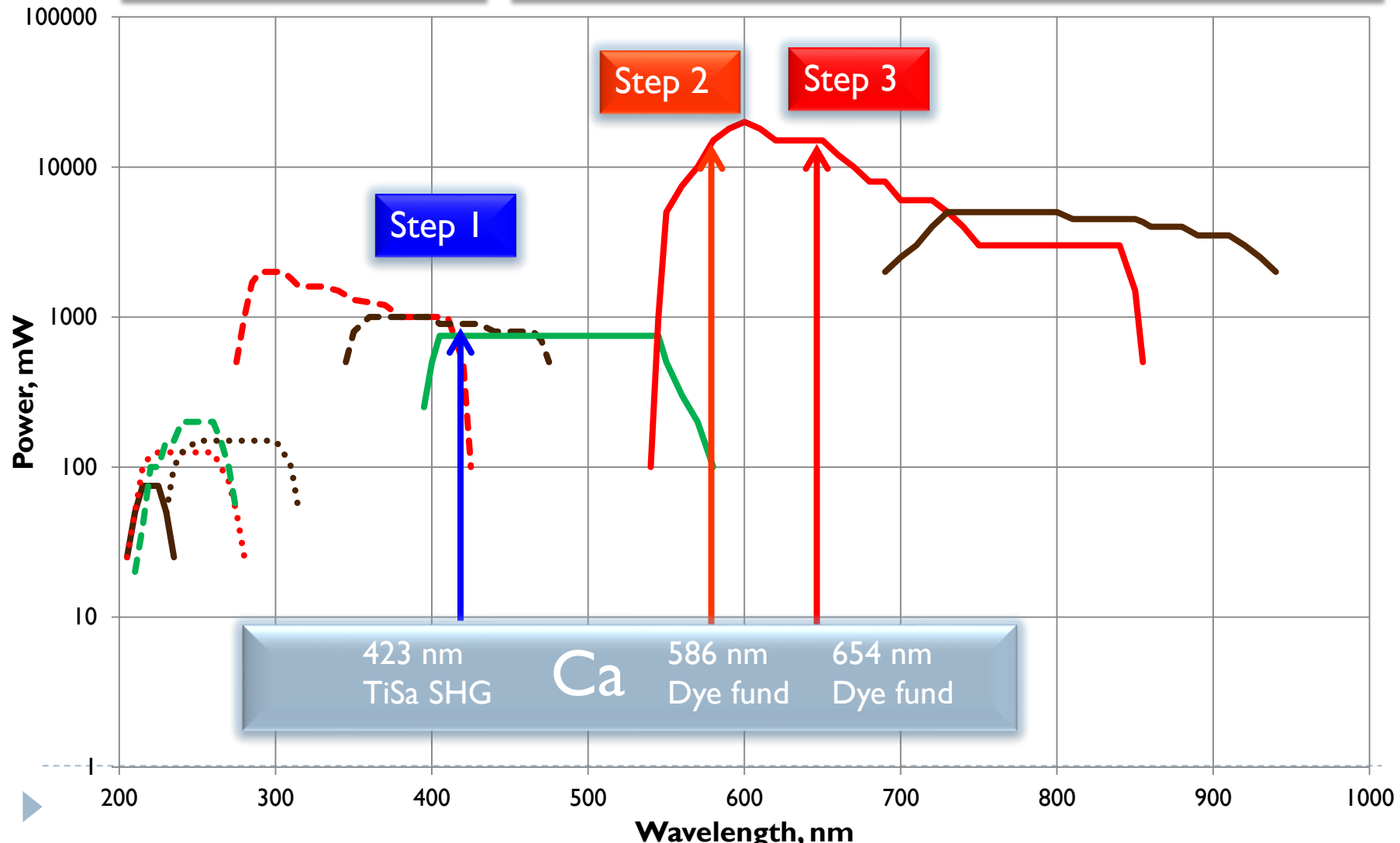
Higher power from TiSa for AIS transition



Ca: TiSa-dye-dye

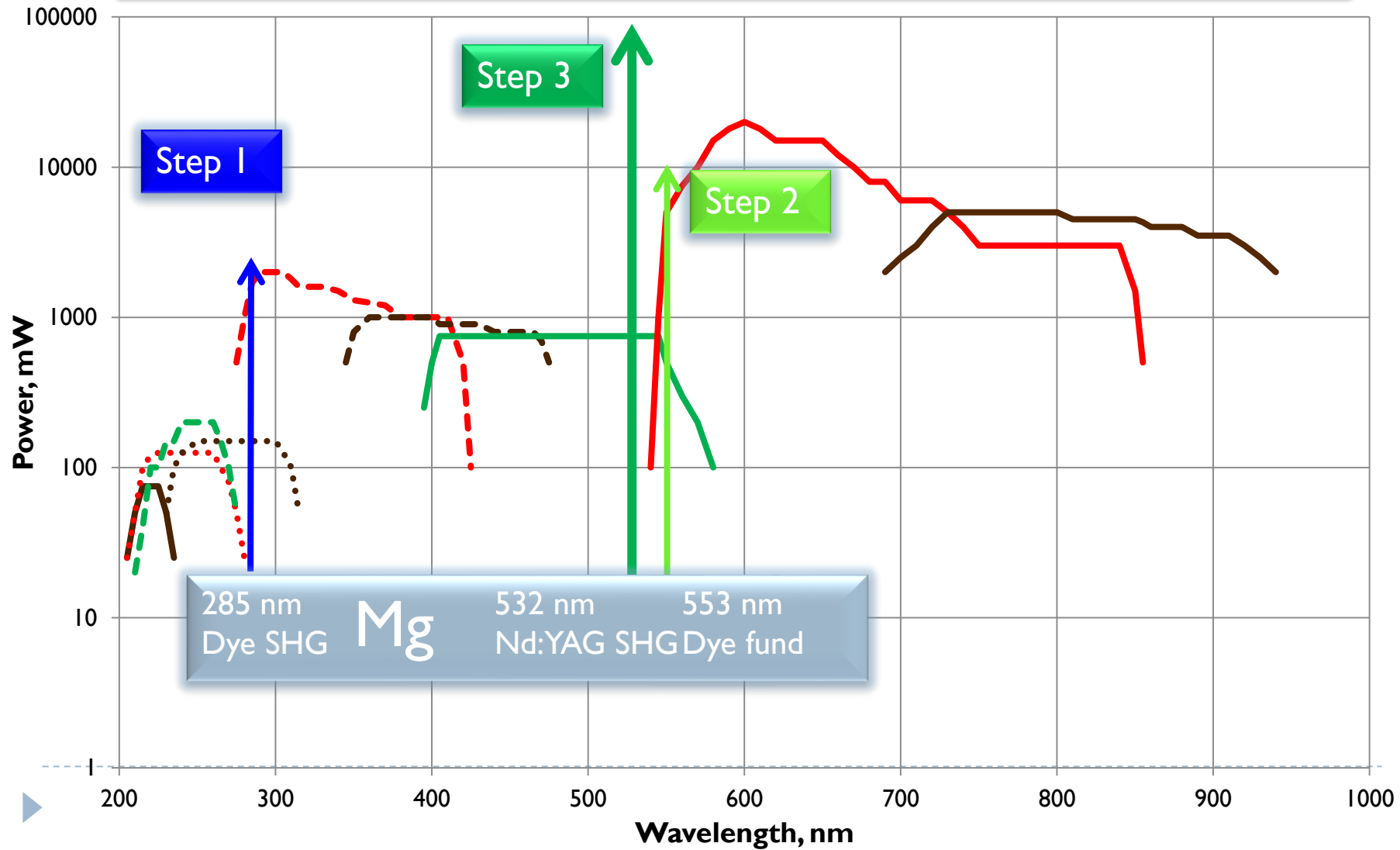
Higher power from TiSa for Step I

~50W @ 532 nm to pump dye laser for AIS search for step 3 – new scheme found



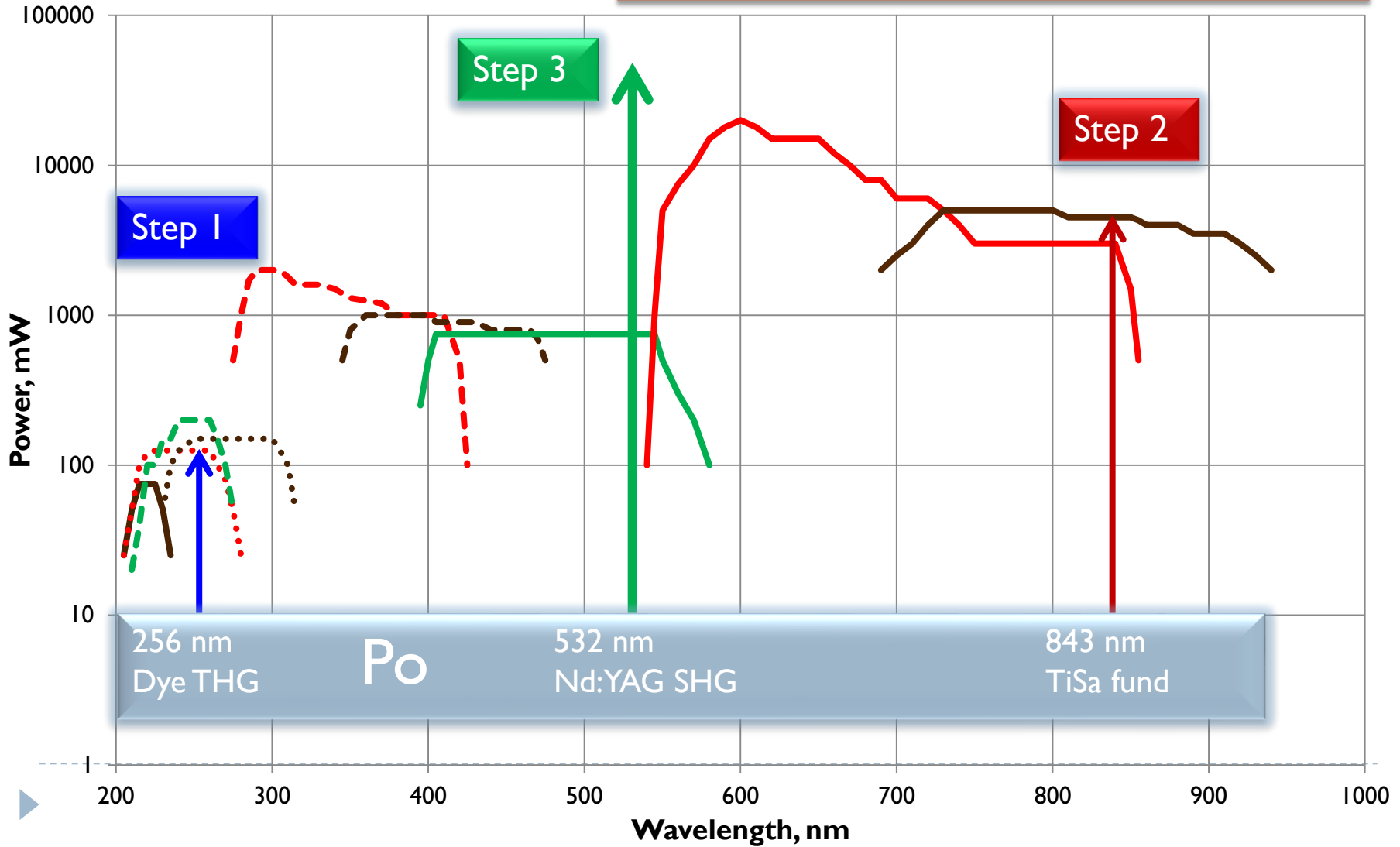
Mg: Dye-Dye-YAG

Dye only: TiSa is available for preparation for the next RILIS element



Po: Dye-TiSa-YAG

Higher power from TiSa for Step 2, narrow line-width TiSa for spectroscopy



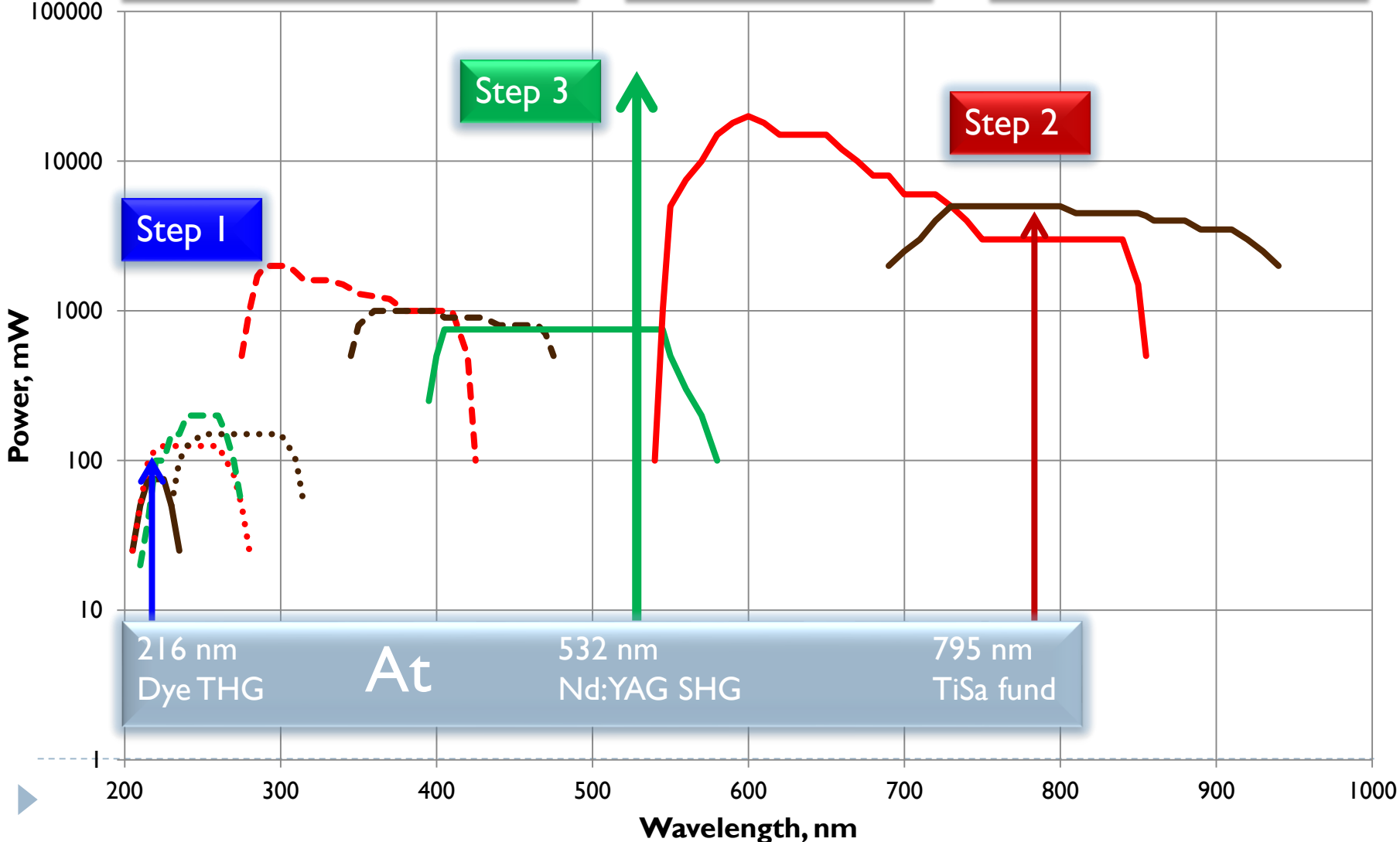


At: Dye(TiSa)-TiSa-YAG

Dye and TiSa  
exchangeable for Step 1

~50W @ 532  
nm for Step 3

Higher power from  
TiSa for Step 2



**Au: TiSa-Dye-Dye**

Higher power from TiSa for Step 1

~50W @ 532 nm to pump dye laser for Step 3

