

# Why BNL's magnetron ?

Circular aperture  
magnetron operated at  
BNL since 1989

## Linac4

## Typical Running Parameters

80 mA	H- current	90 - 100 mA ( 1.5 A/cm <sup>2</sup> )
45 kV	Extraction	35 kV
	e/H	0.5 - 1.0
	Arc voltage	140-160 V
	Arc current	8-18 A (often run 15-18 A to keep source temp up)
0.8-2.0 Hz	Rep rate	7.5 Hz
700 μs	Pulse width	700 μs
0.07-0.14 %	Duty factor	0.5%
0.25 π mm·mrad	RMS emittance	~ 0.4 π mm mrad (normalized)
5-10 g/year	Cs consumption	< 0.5 mg/hr (T <sub>Cs</sub> = 90 - 100 C 5 gm lasts >6-9 months)
	Gas flow	~ 2.5 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> T-l/s ( 2 sccm)

> 6 month Times between source maintenance are approximately 6 months continuous (3-9 months; almost always shutting down when program ends, rather than due to failure).

Ok We can shut the source down, change it out, restart, and be running well again in 8 hours.

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CP642, High Intensity and High Brightness Hadron Beams: 20<sup>th</sup> ICFA Advanced Beam Dynamics Workshop on High Intensity and High Brightness Hadron Beams, edited by W. Chou, Y. Mori, D. Neuffer, and J.-F. Ostiguy

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# BNL's Magnetron: Linac4 IS-03

*June 2010, L4IS-review:* BNL' magnetron is the option for nominal current

*To be addressed:*

- |                                     |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1) Import technology                | 4) Operation at low duty factor |
| 2) Impact of higher beam energy,    | 5) Cs-handling                  |
| 3) Dumping of co-extracted electron | 6) Emittance                    |

*September 2011, ICIS:* Investigation of **ISIS** and **BNL** ion source electrodes after extended operation

*April 2012:* BNL's drawings received, short test of the gas-pulse at BNL

*September 2012, NIBS:* Estimation of sputtering damages on a Magnetron  $H^-$  ion source induced by  $Cs^+$  and  $H^+$  ions. Operation and thermal modelling of the ISIS  $H^-$  source from 50 to 2 Hz repetition rates

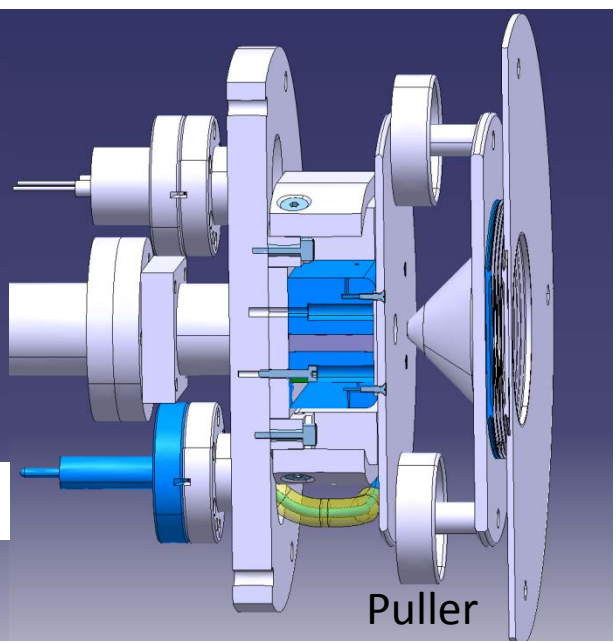
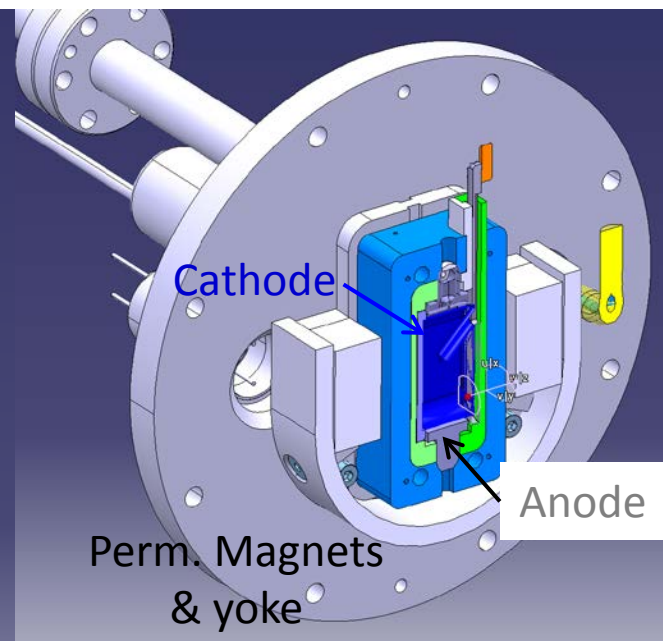
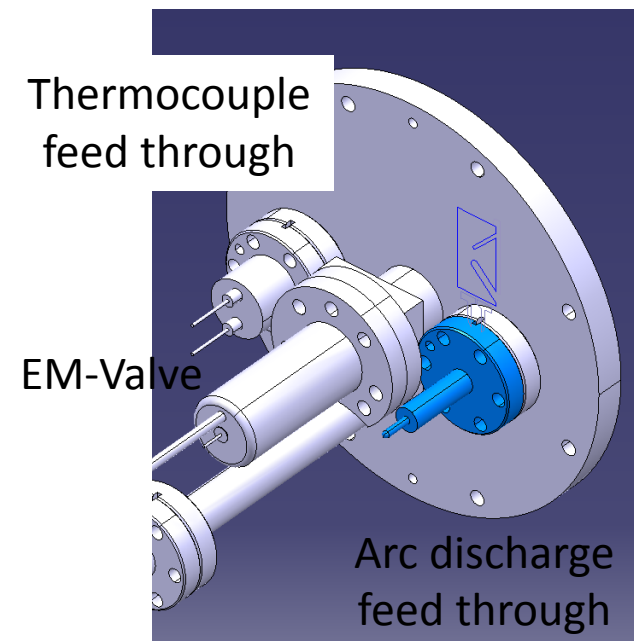
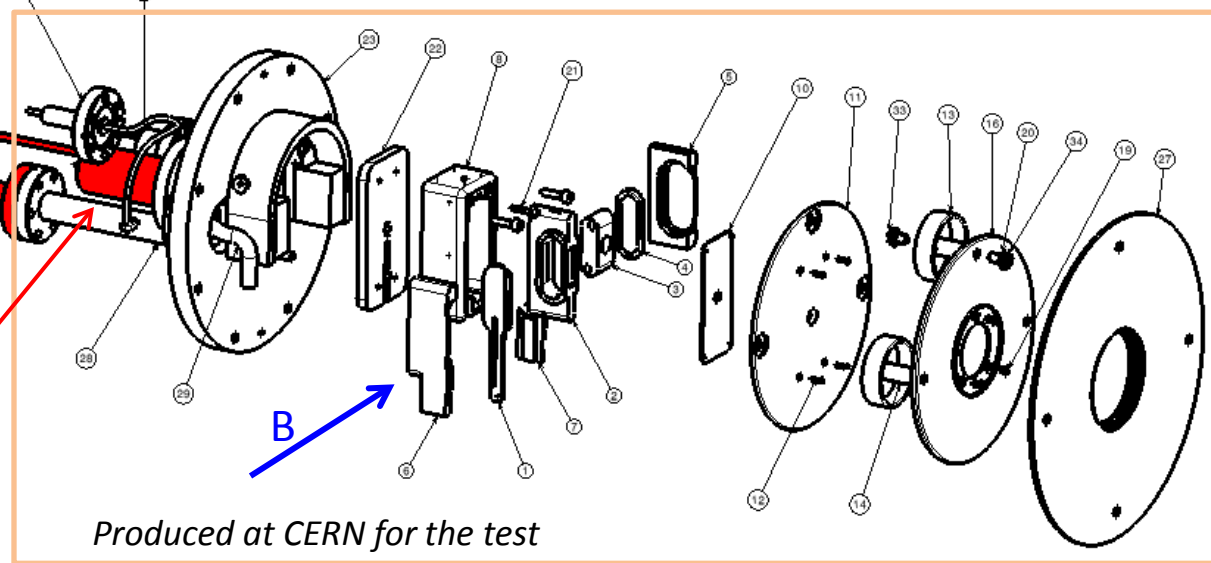
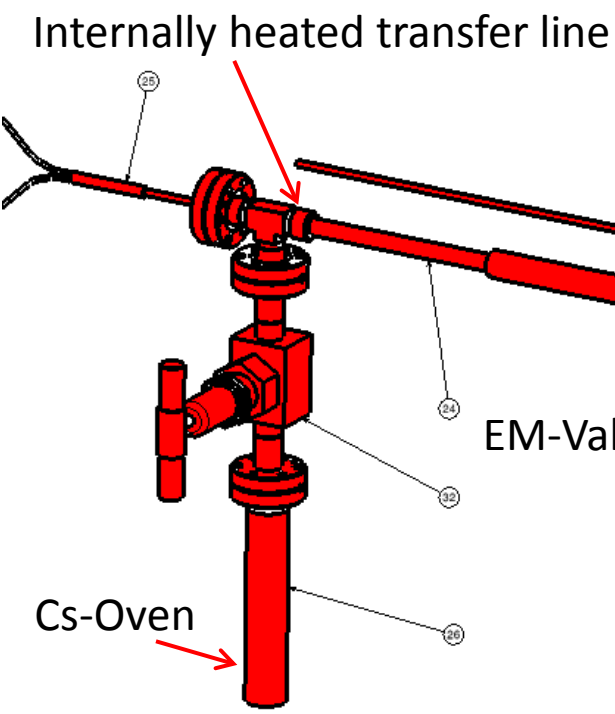
*November 2012:* 3D model and a set of components drawings available (metric and US), from them a Discharge chamber and Puller are produced at CERN.

*Oct. 2013* CERN's discharge chamber tested within BNL's ion source at the Linac injection line →  $O(120 \text{ mA } H^-)$

*The major contribution of D. Steyeart, the support from J. Alessi, T. Lehn, A. Zelenski, J. Ritter and the BNL ion source development team is thankfully acknowledged*

# BNL's Magnetron 3D model

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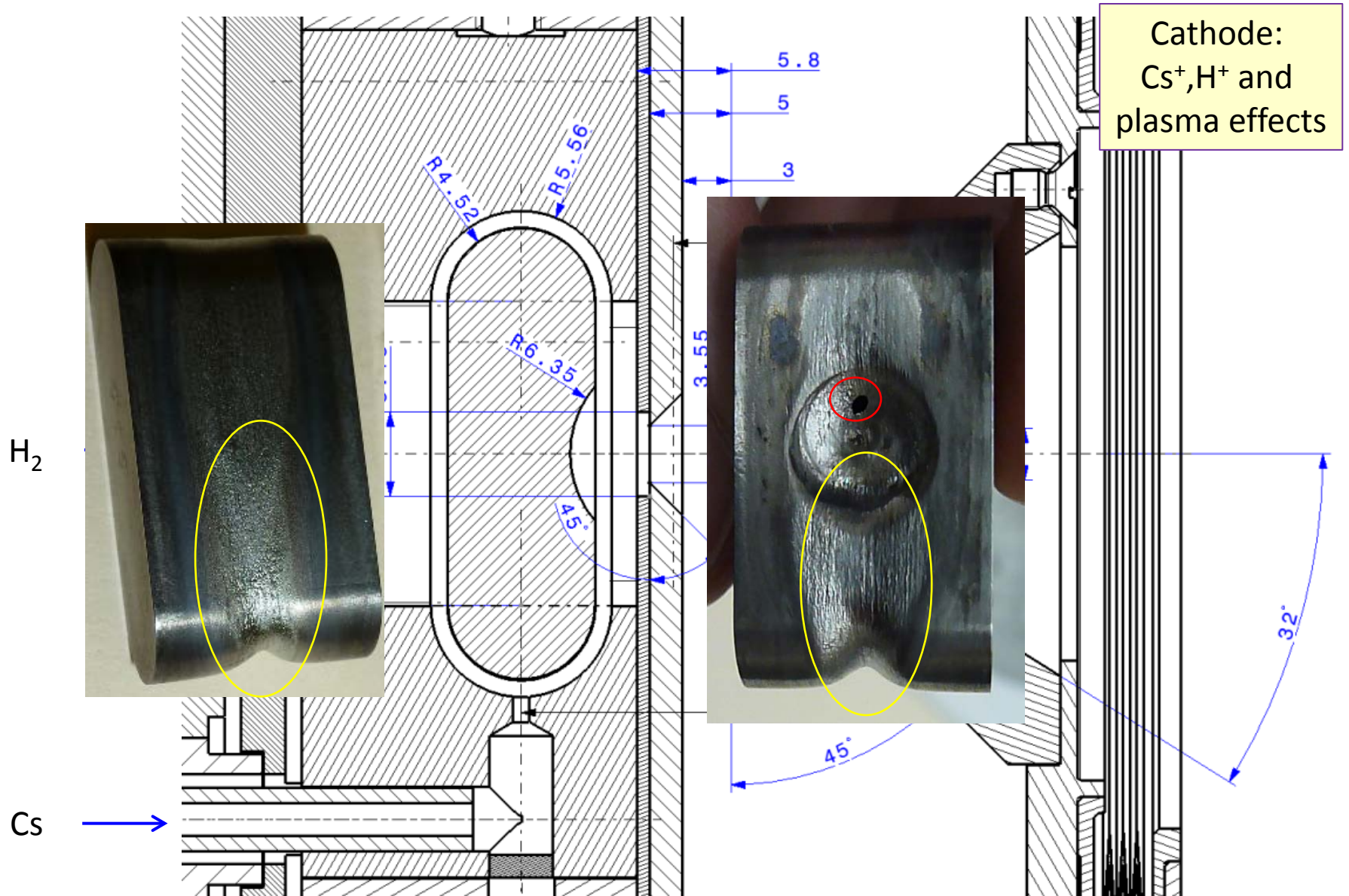
## Typical observations following a long run:

The source is very clean inside (polished)

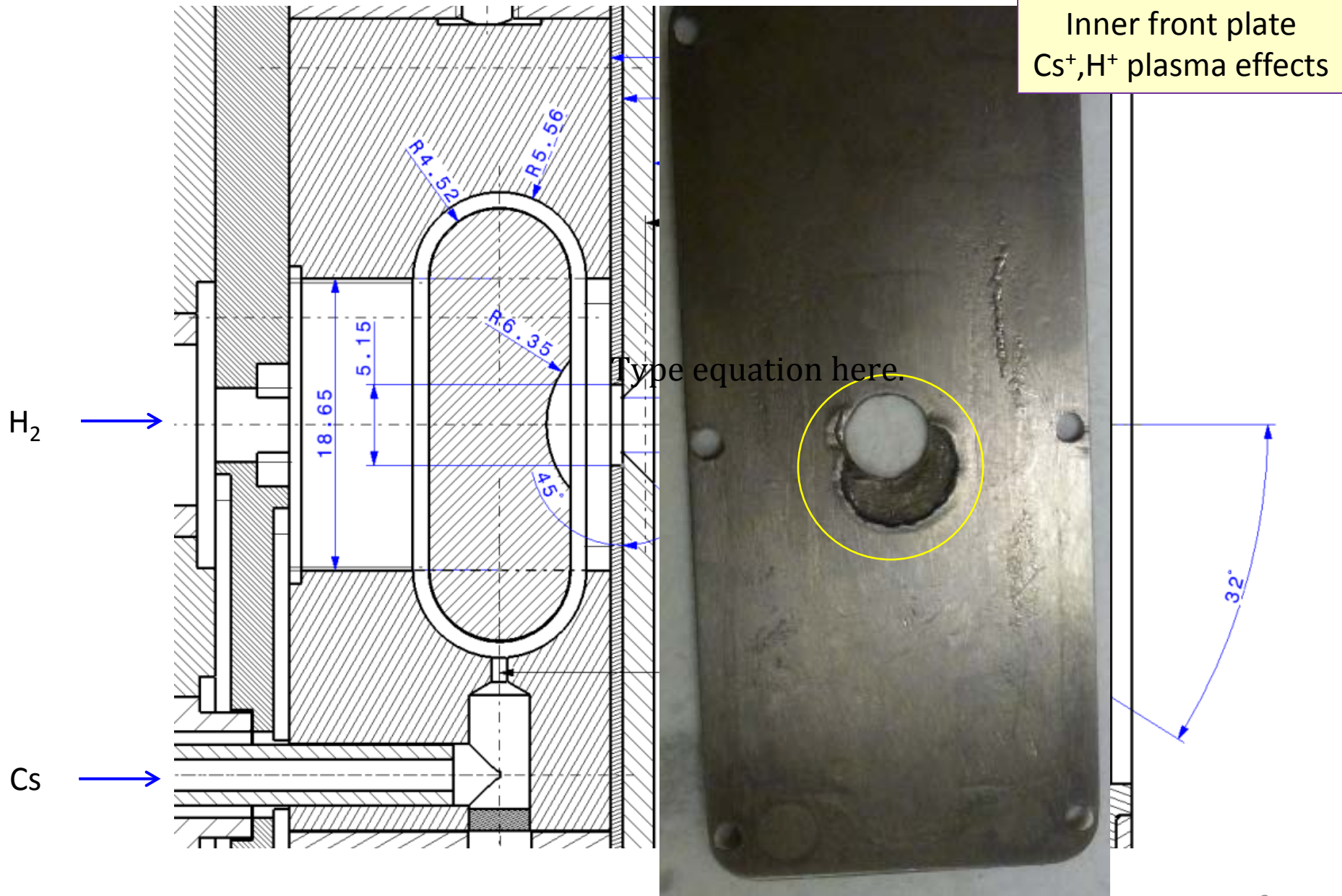
There is erosion of the extraction tip (ions, electrons), anode aperture (electrons), cathode dimple (backstreaming ions), cathode opposite Cs feed (discharge). In spite of these very significant changes in dimensions for the extraction geometry and cathode focusing, the performance remains very constant (output from linac). We often clean parts and reinstall, even with the heavy erosion.

Cs never seen beyond the extractor electrode.

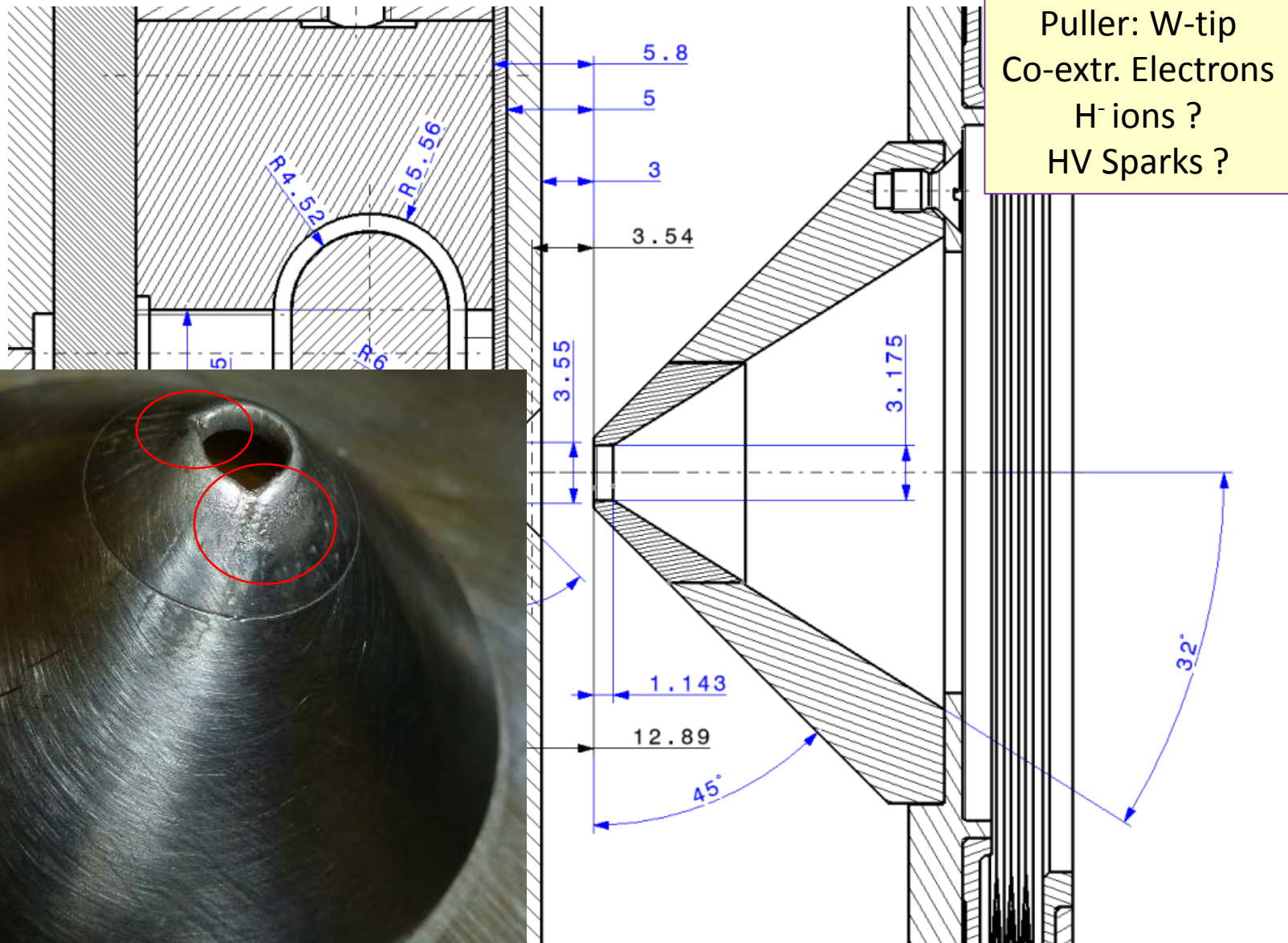
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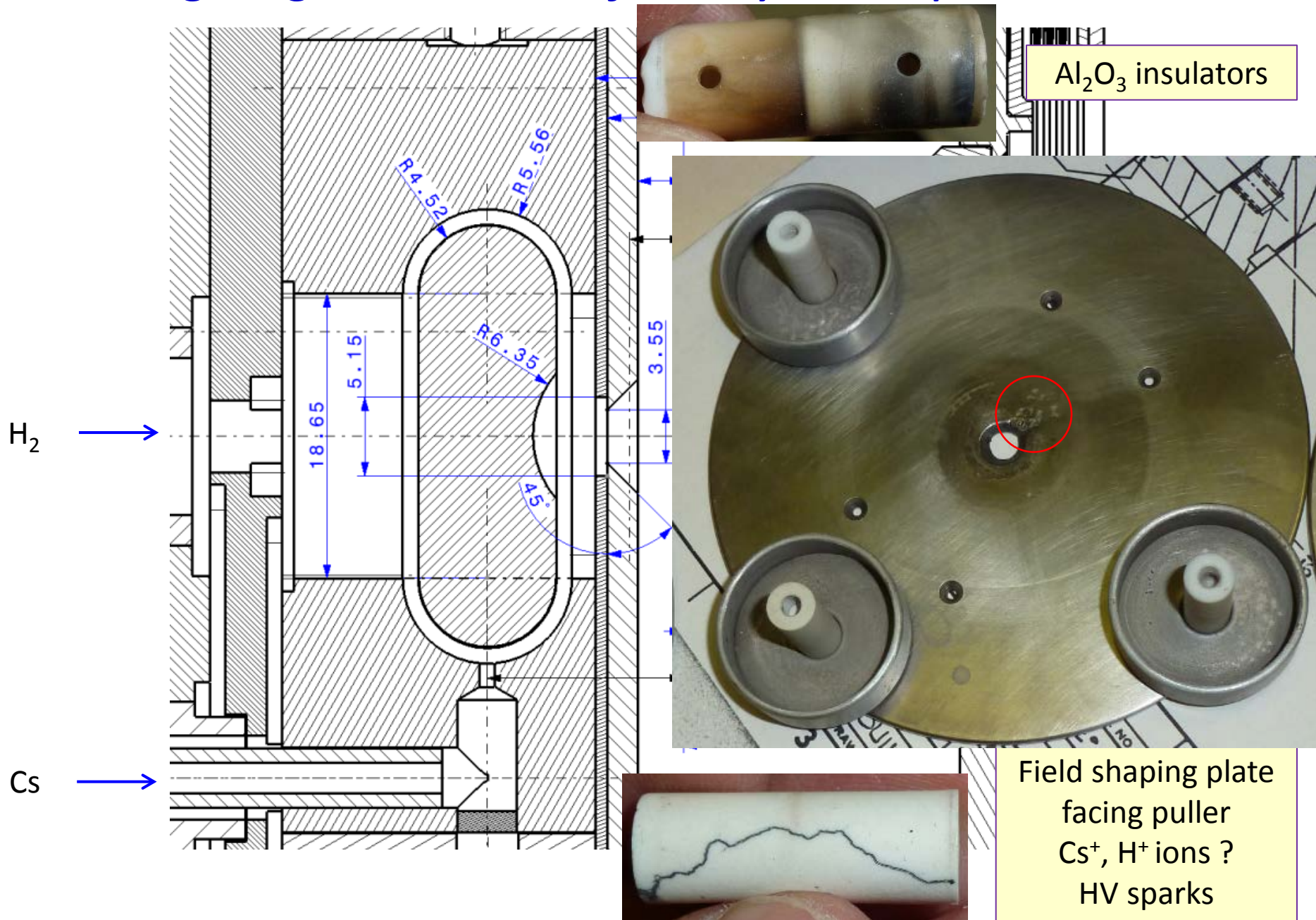
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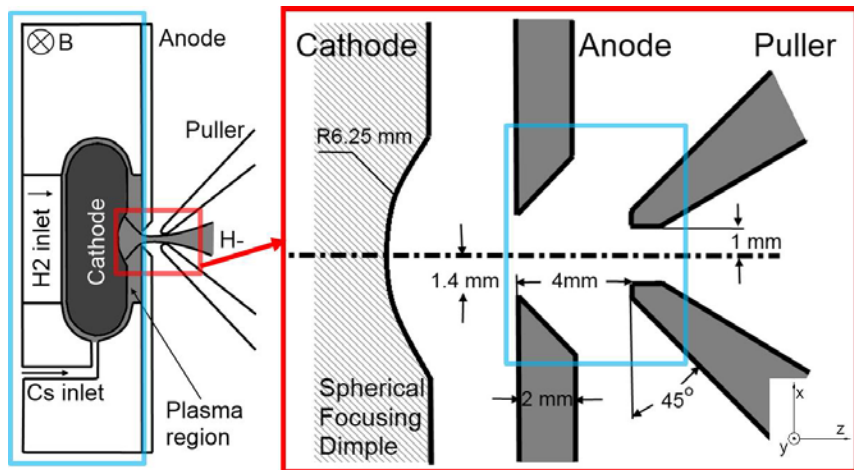


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# Simulation of BNL's Magnetron with IBSimu

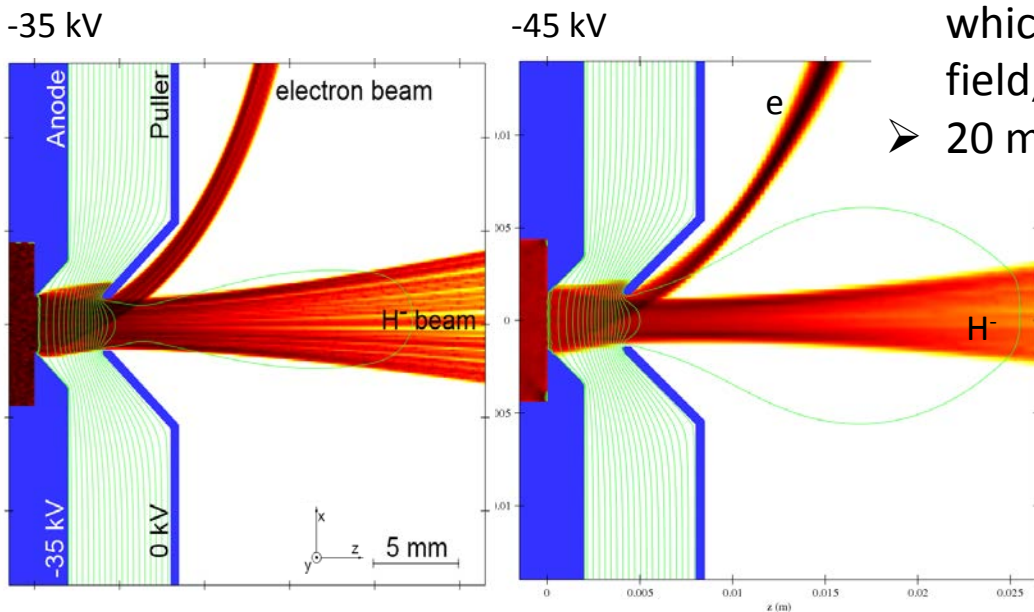


## IBSimu settings:

- $H^-$  beam current density is set to  $1.6 \text{ A/cm}^2$ , resulting in a current of  $100 \text{ mA}$ .
- Electron to  $H^-$  ratio =  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $50 \text{ mA}$ )
- A 3-D magnetic field map created in OPERA from the known magnet geometry and adjusting the field to a peak of  $900 \text{ G}$ .

## Results:

- The  $H^-$  beam is transported through the puller at close to 100% efficiency.
- 60 % of the co-extracted electrons ( $30 \text{ mA}$ ), which trajectories are bent by the magnetic field, are dumped on the puller electrode tip.
- $20 \text{ mA}$  e-beam passes the puller electrode.

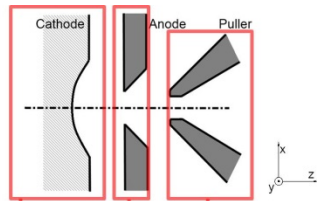


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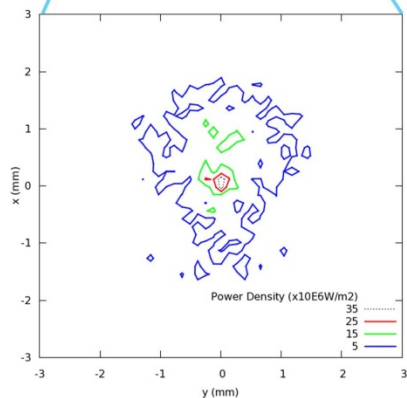
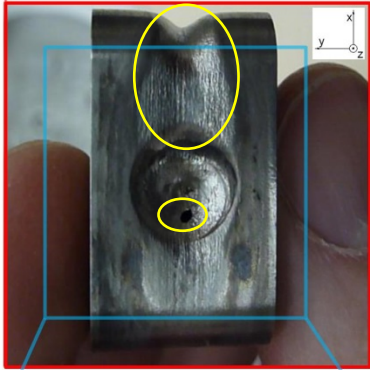
# Ageing/wear mechanisms

## Observation of erosion/damages on:

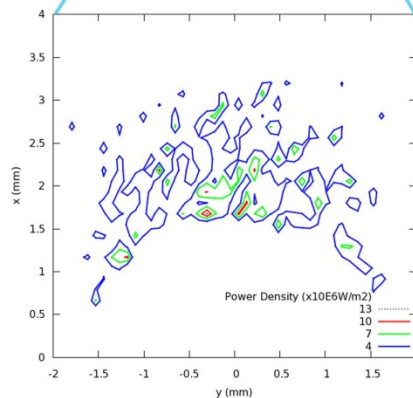
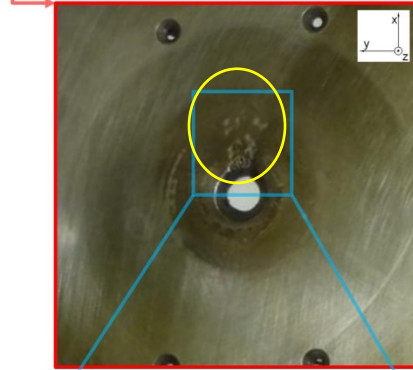
- Mo-cathode: 1mm hole  
1-2 mm wear on circumference.
- Anode plate facing puller
- W-tip of the puller electrode.



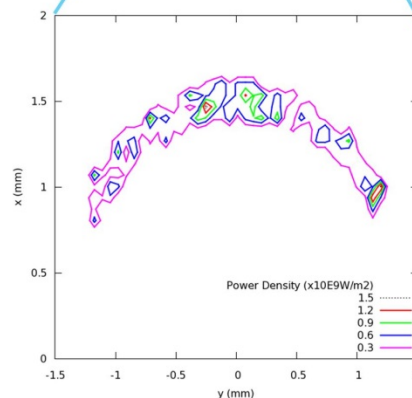
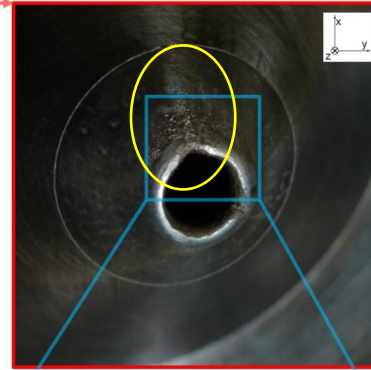
Molybdenum Cathode



Anode



Tungsten Puller Electrode

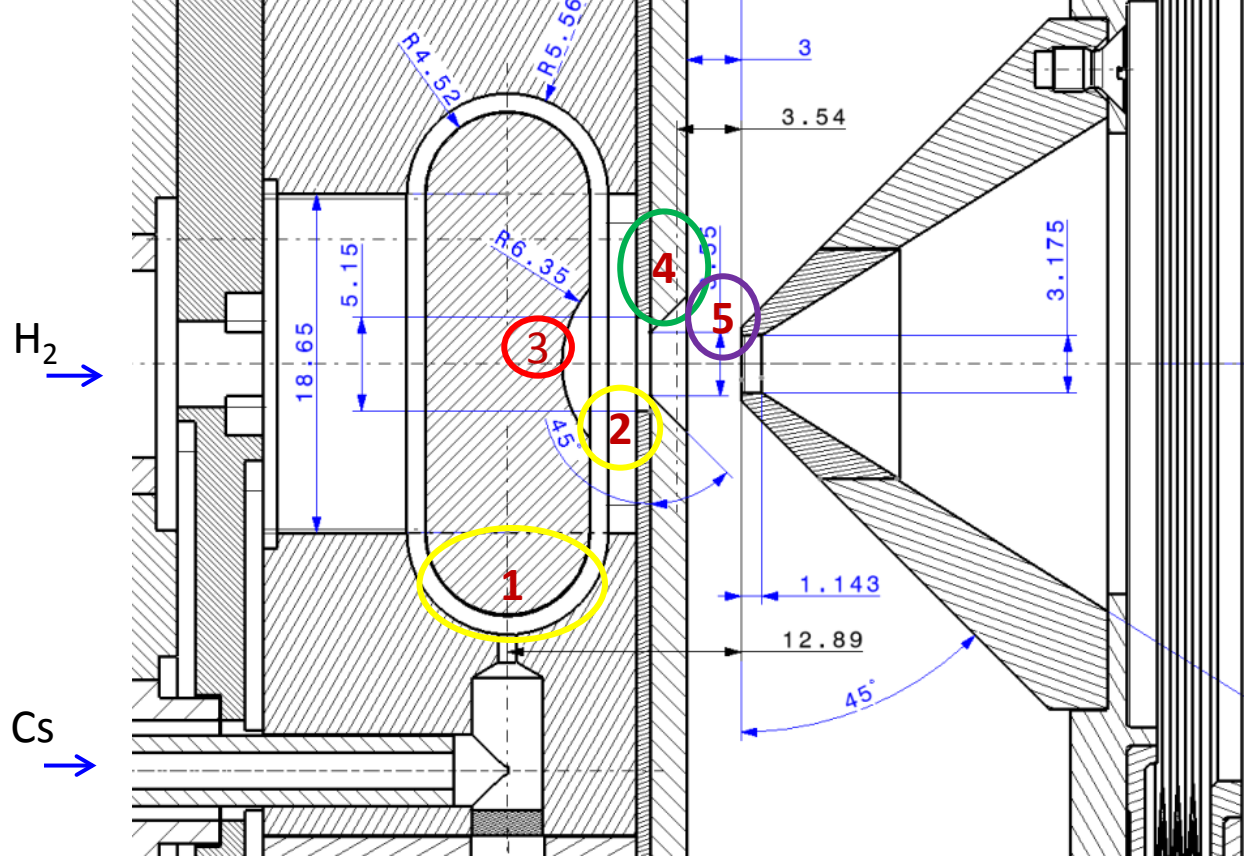


**IBSimu: creation & tracking of positive ions within the extraction region** (electron and  $\text{H}^-$  beam induced ionization of Hydrogen gas and Cs vapor). The positive ions travel backwards in direction of the anode and Mo-cathode

**IBSimu:  $\text{H}^-$ ,  $e^-$  beams  $\rightarrow$  power density on surface**

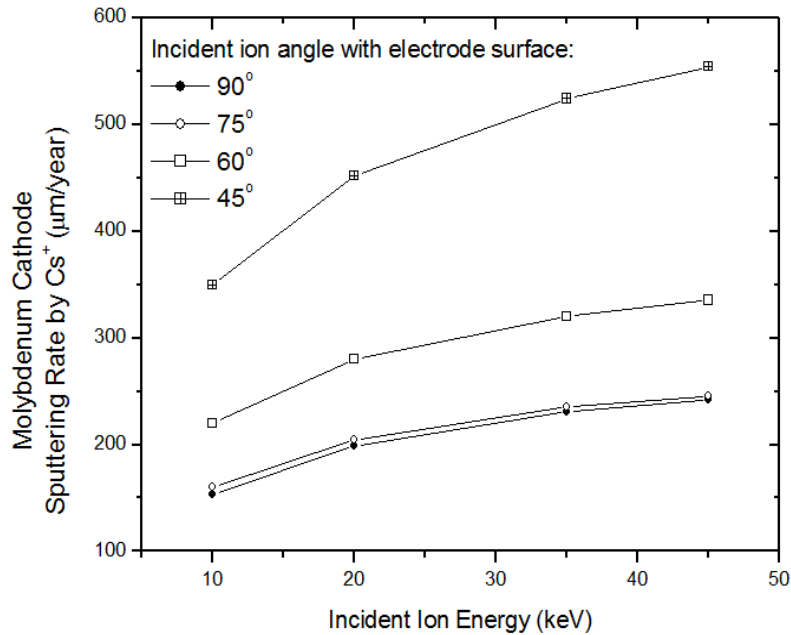
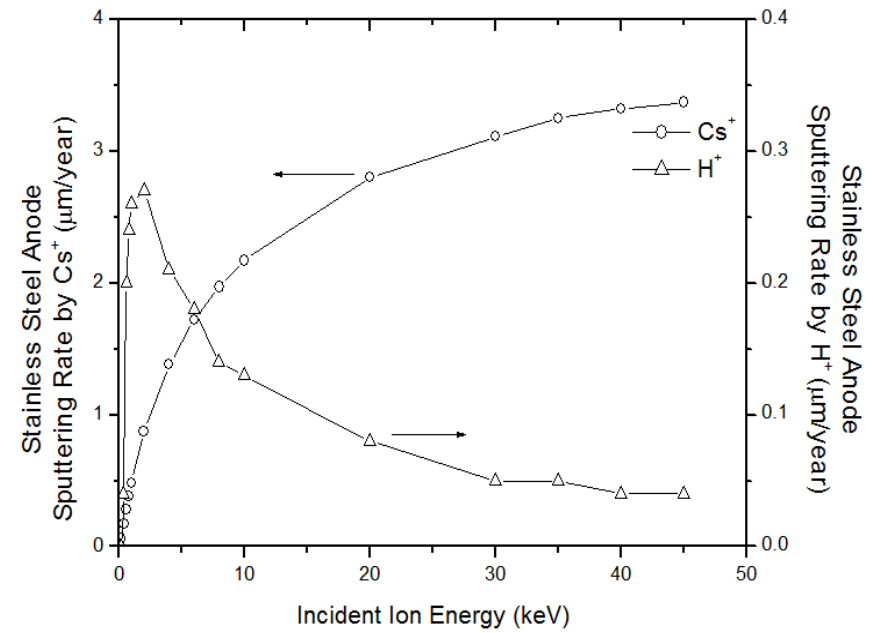
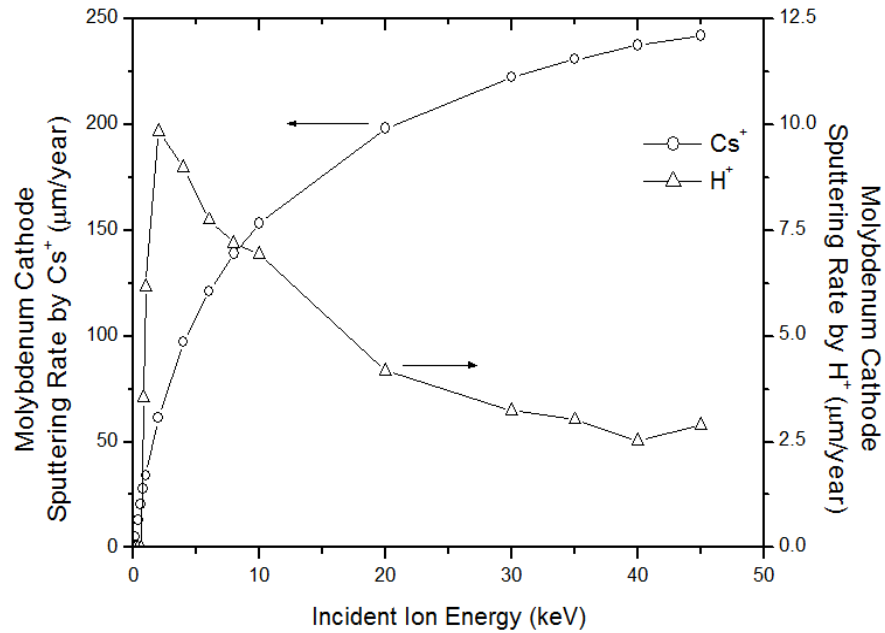
- Mo-sputtering via positive ions ( $\text{H}^+$  or  $\text{Cs}^+$ ) on cathode and anode.
- 30 mA of 35 keV electrons deposit a peak power above  $1 \text{ kW/mm}^2$  on the W-tip of the puller electrode

# Ageing / wear summary



Operation Parameters IS-component		Arc voltage	Arc current	H <sub>2</sub> -pressure	Cs-pressure	Duty factor	Extraction HV	e/H <sup>-</sup>	Sparking	Erosion Process
1	Mo-cathode surface	x	x	x	x	x				e-H <sub>2</sub> -Cs Plasma > Flakes ?
2	SS inner anode plate	x	x	x	x	x				e-H <sub>2</sub> -Cs Plasma
3	Mo-cathode dimple			x	x	x	x	x		Backward accel. p, Cs <sup>+</sup> ions
4	SS outer anode plate			x	x	x	x	x	x	Backward accel. p, Cs <sup>+</sup> ions
5	W-tip puller					x	x	x	x	e-beam overheating, H <sup>-</sup> ions

# Estimation of $Cs^+$ and $H^+$ sputtering rates



*Within a few simplified assumptions (no sparking) & BNL's duty factor of 0.5%:*

- Mo-cathode dominated by Cs-sputtering rate of O(200)  $\mu\text{m}/\text{year}$ .
- SS-anode plate O(3)  $\mu\text{m}/\text{year}$
- Scales down with Linac4 duty factor (0.2%)
- Effect of increased extraction voltage from BNL 35

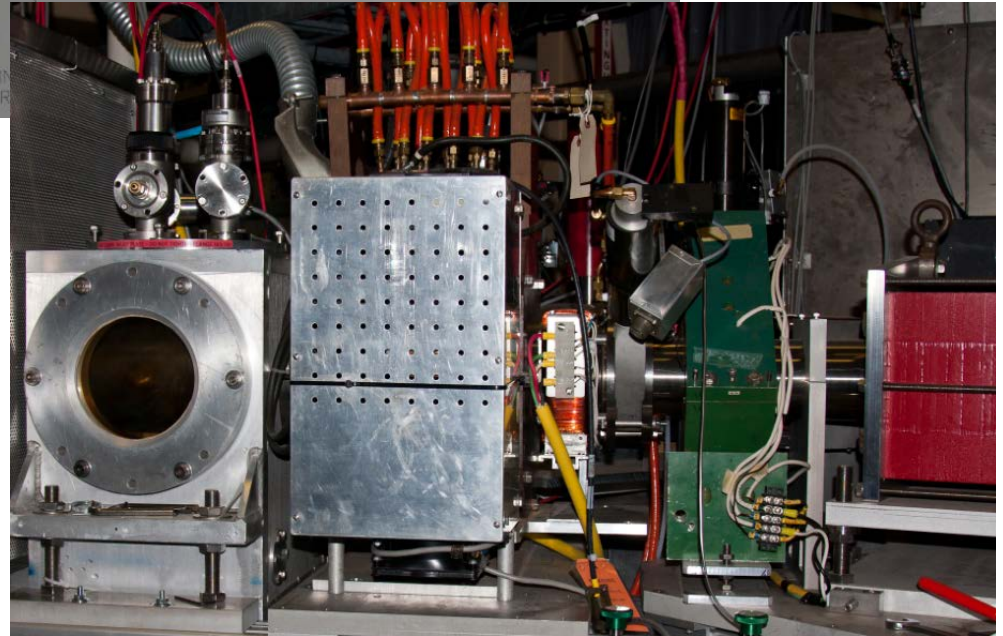
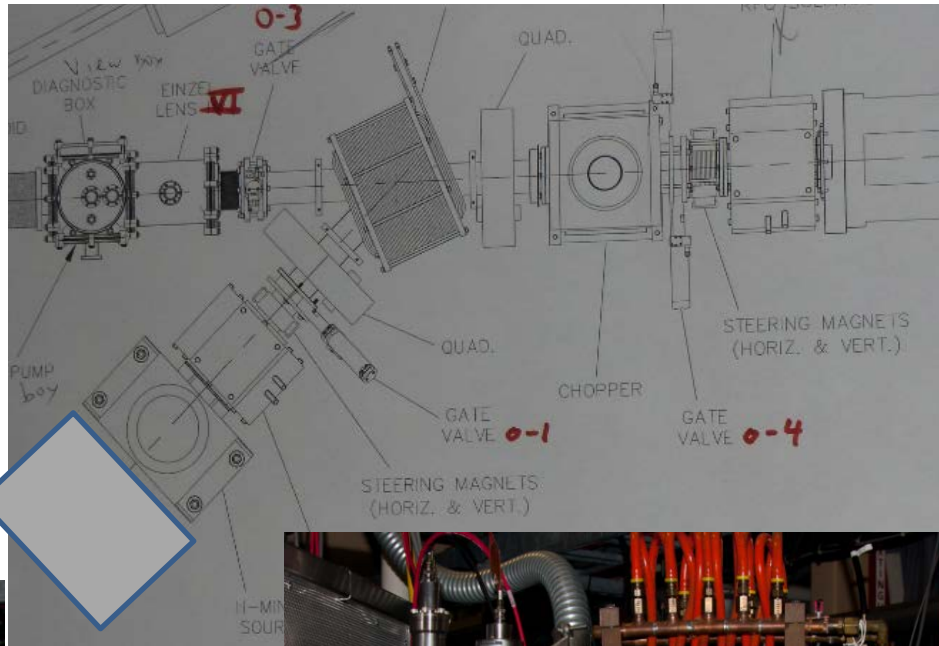
→ Linac4 45 kV:

- O(10%) Increased sputtering rate
- O(25%) increased energy density tbc. via IBSimu modeling of  $e, H^+, p, Cs^+$  beams

# 2013-10 Test location at BNL: Linac injector

Faraday cage

- Cs-Oven
- H<sub>2</sub>-feed line



H<sup>-</sup> source housing, solenoid & steering magnet 13

# HV-rack

Arc discharge monitoring

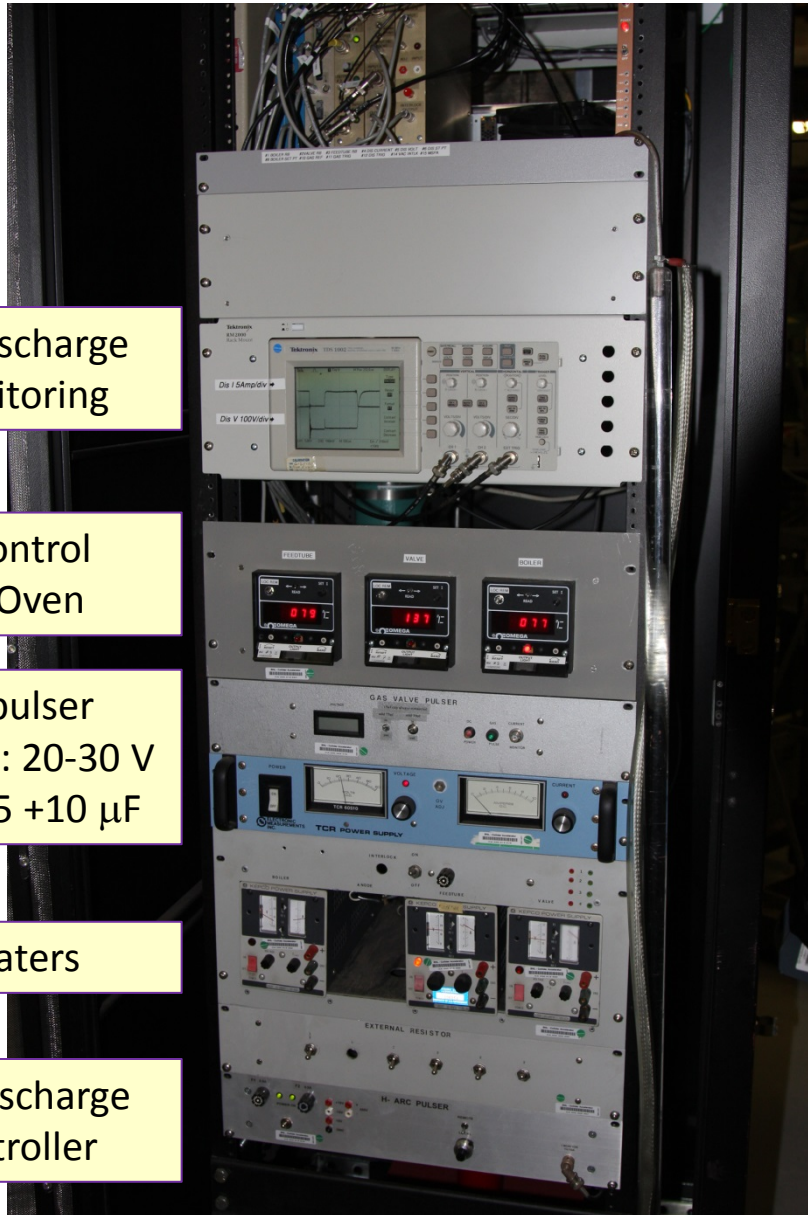
T-control  
Cs-Oven

H<sub>2</sub>-pulser  
Control: 20-30 V  
15, +75 +10  $\mu$ F

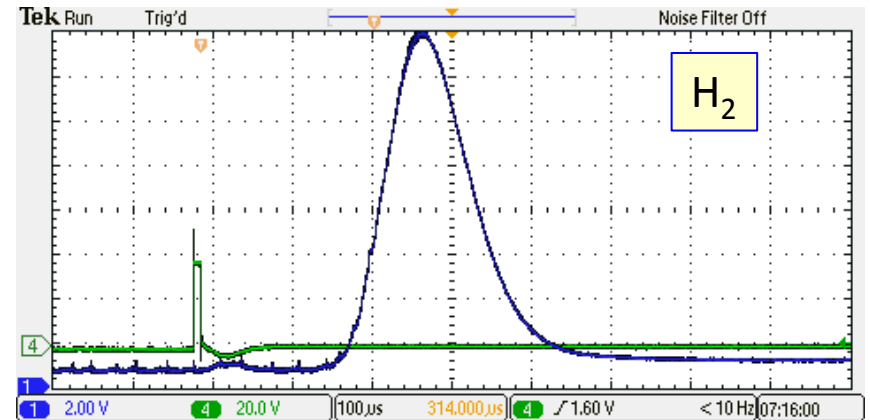
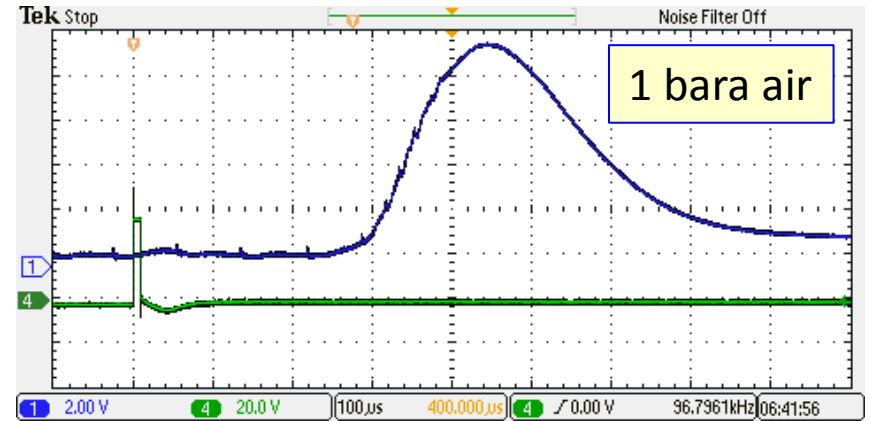
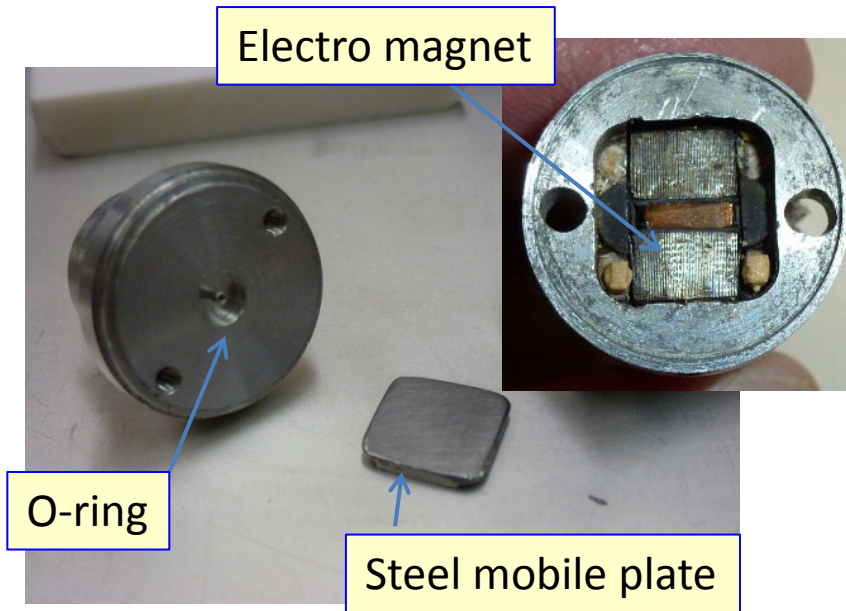
Heaters

Arc-discharge controller

H<sub>2</sub> feed line  
pressure  
regulation



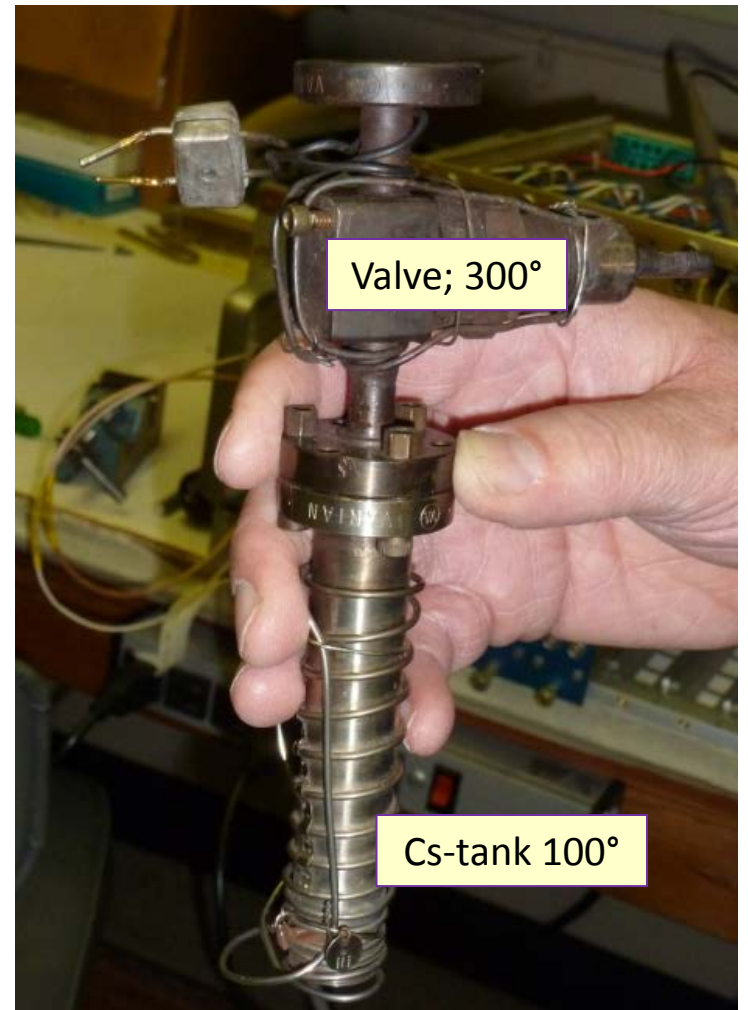
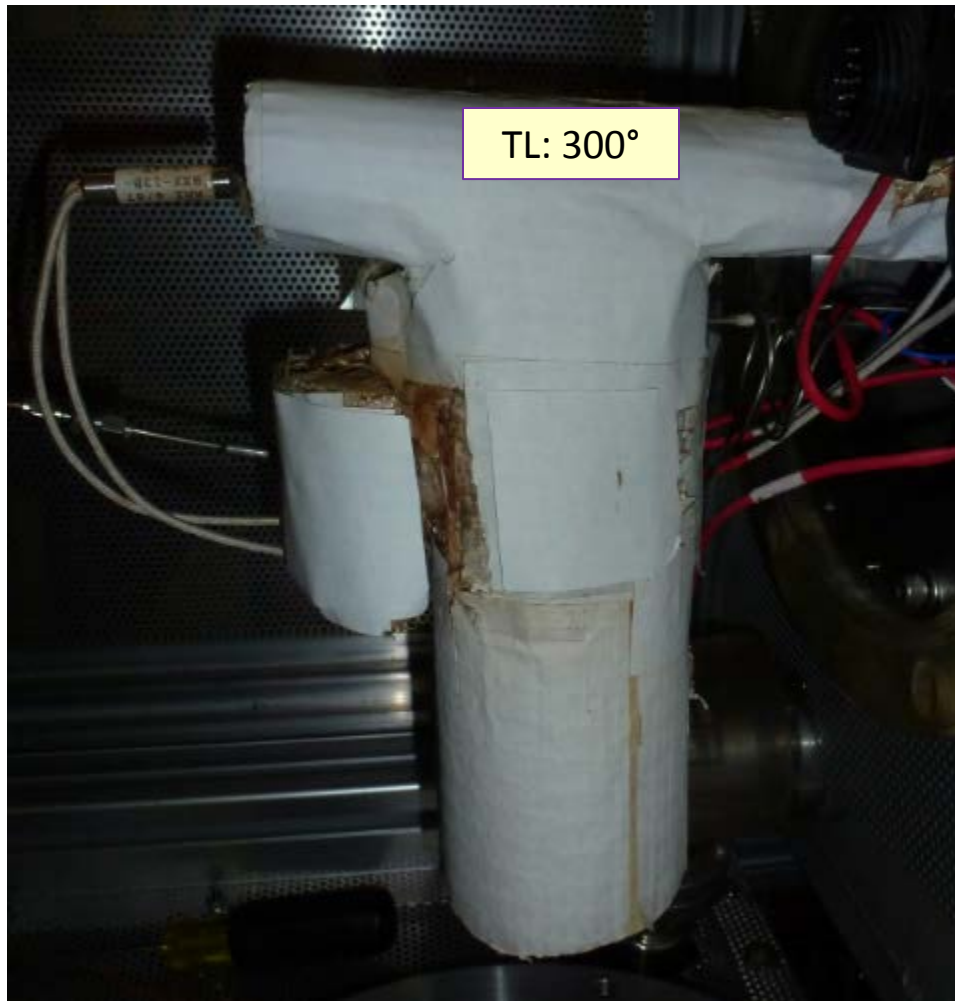
# $H_2$ injection EM-valve Measurement 2011-04



Gauge: **mks** , controller 937A, direct readout via a Tektronix oscilloscope  
Control via pulse generator (square function)

Courtesy of J. Alessi, A. Zelensky and G. Aloian

# Cs-Oven ^& transfer line



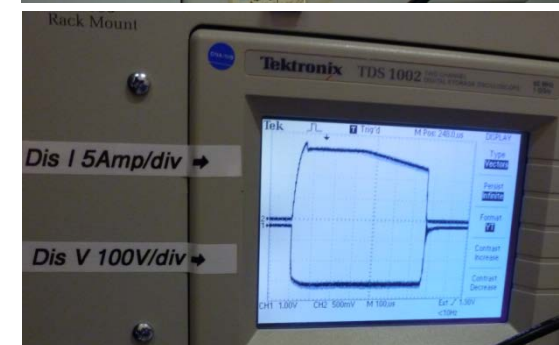
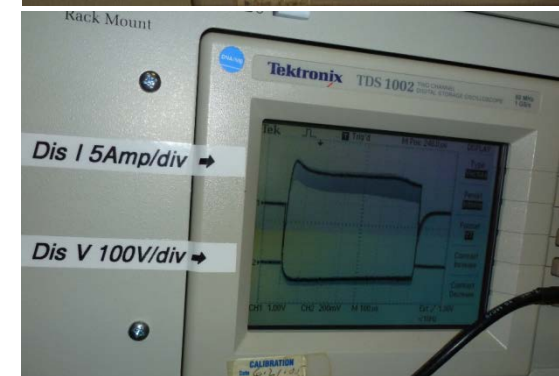
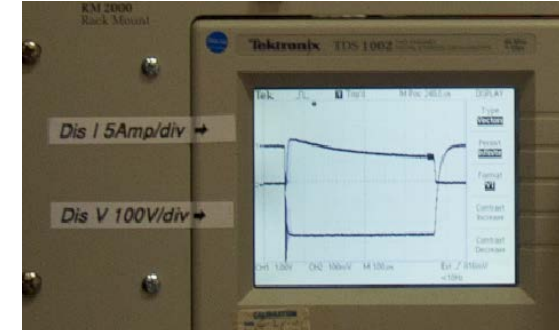
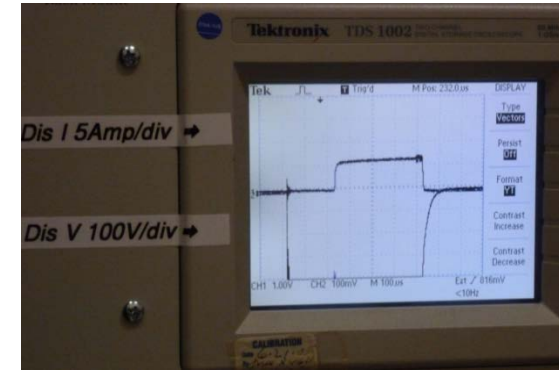
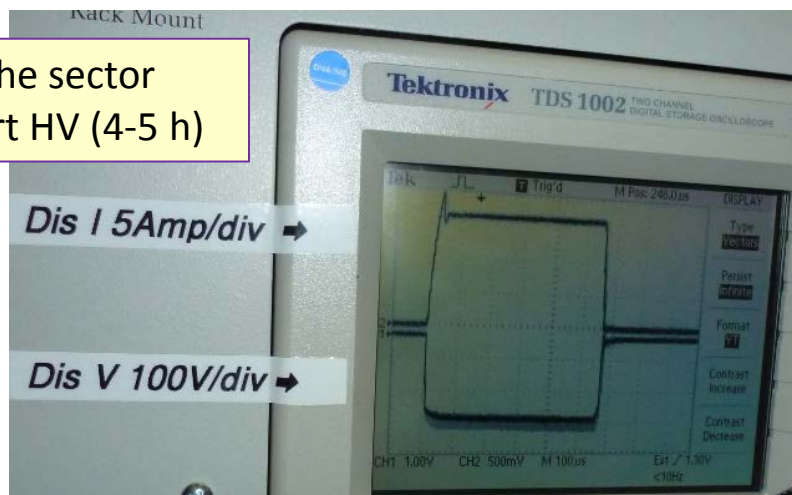
Transfer line **Internal** resistor heating



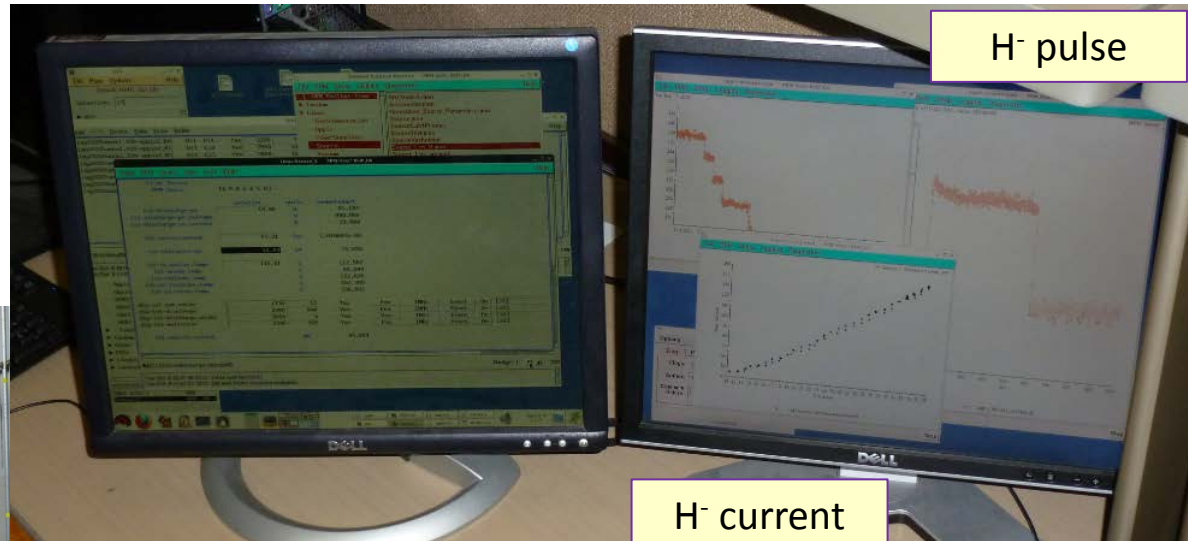
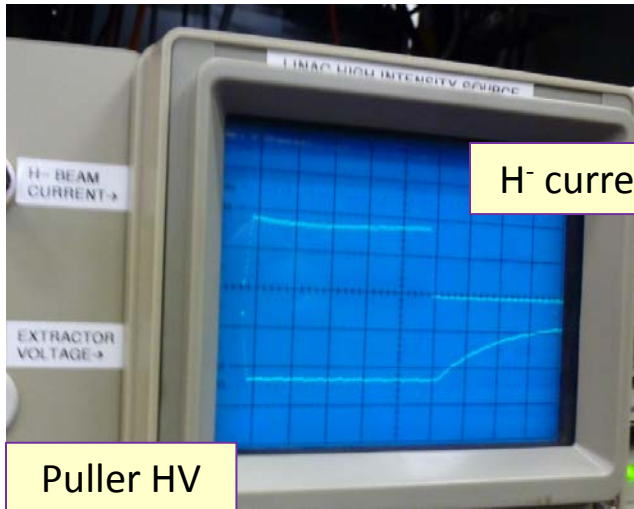
# Commissioning of the cesiated Arc-discharge

- 1) BNL team disassembly-reassembly of CERN's Magnatron, connection of BNL's set of permanent magnets, connection of EM H<sub>2</sub> pulser valve, adaptation of W-tip of the puller and e-beam welded bellow HV flange.
- 2) Pumping down (2200 l/s) source and feed line, heating of Cs-transfer line (300°), start the arc discharge H<sub>2</sub> pulser with excess pressure on gas feed line and enhance capacitive discharge (20-30 V, **15**, +75 +10 μF). Ramp up of the Cs-temperature to 100° then 120°.
- 3) Wait for cesiation tracked via a reduction of the **Arc impedance** from high resistance down to typically 10 Ohms (20 A for 200 V). Arc supply in current controlled mode.
- 4) Reduction of the H<sub>2</sub> flow to 15+10 μF, tuning the H<sub>2</sub> pulse timing. The arc current is by now only weakly depending on the voltage.

➤ Ready to open the sector valve and to start HV (4-5 h)

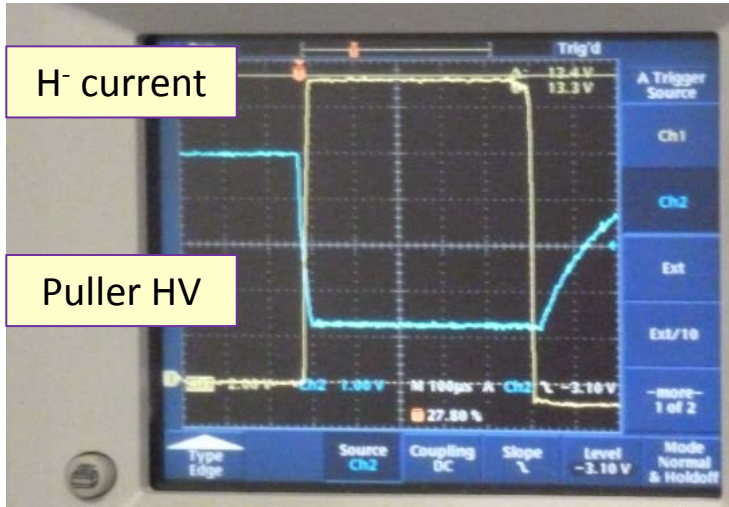


# BNL's IS local control room



System operational @ 6.6 Hz ☺

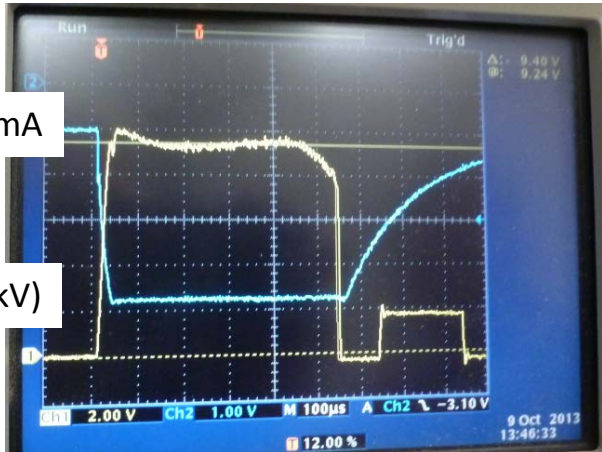
# Operating at 2 Hz rep. rate



H<sup>-</sup> current

Puller HV

Saturation of the H<sup>-</sup> current acquisition 😊



H<sup>-</sup> = 145 mA

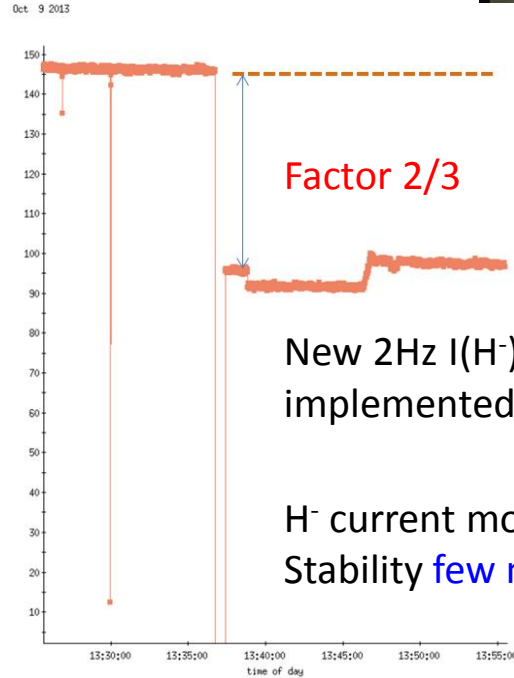
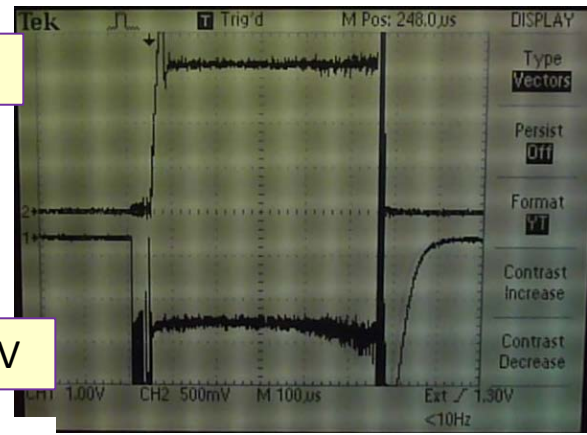
HV = -38 kV)

After modification of the H<sup>-</sup> current acquisition from 20 mA/V to 30 mA /V

Arc current 18 A

$Z_{Arc} = 10.5 \Omega$

Arc voltage 190 V



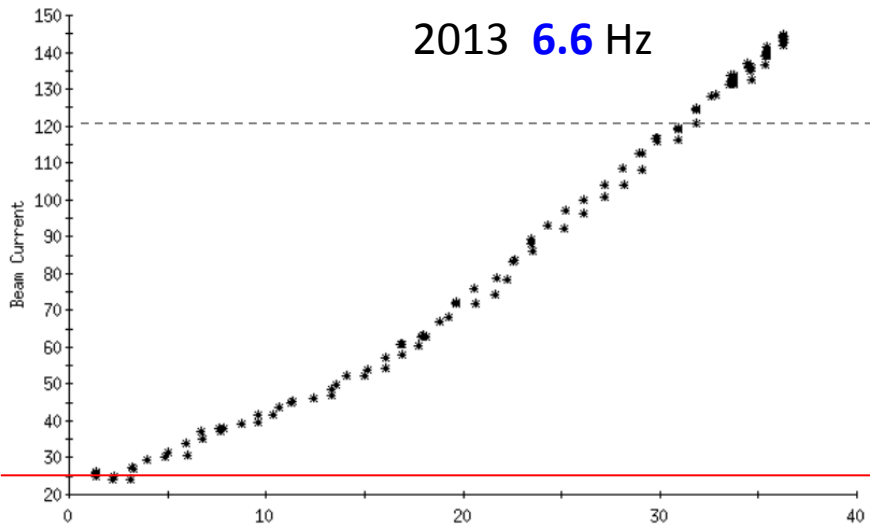
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New 2Hz I(H<sup>-</sup>) calibration was not implemented in the monitoring log.

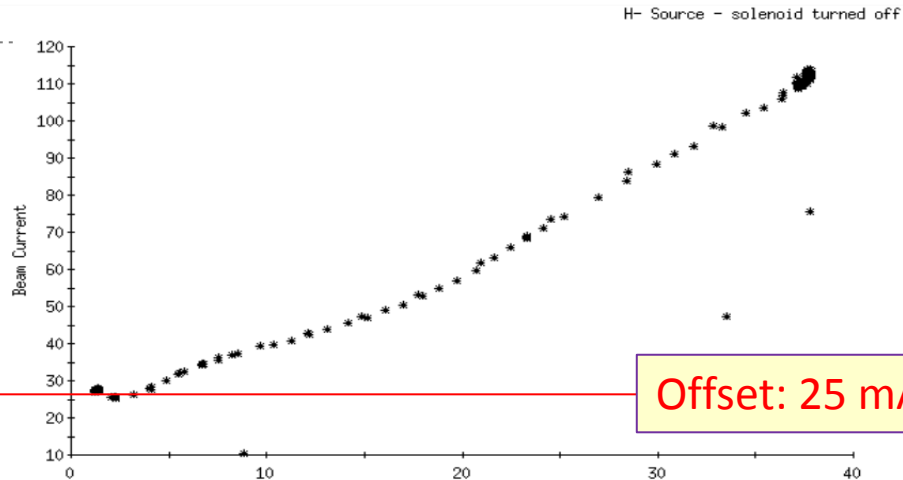
H<sup>-</sup> current monitoring pulse by pulse Stability few mA/h (no stabilization time)

- ✓ T-Oven = 104°
- ✓  $di(H^-)/dt = O(1) \text{ mA/h}$
- ✓ Very responsive to H<sub>2</sub> pressure variation
- ✓ Increase of T-Oven to 130° induces HV sparks
- ✓ Peak H<sup>-</sup> current 135mA @ 39.5 kV

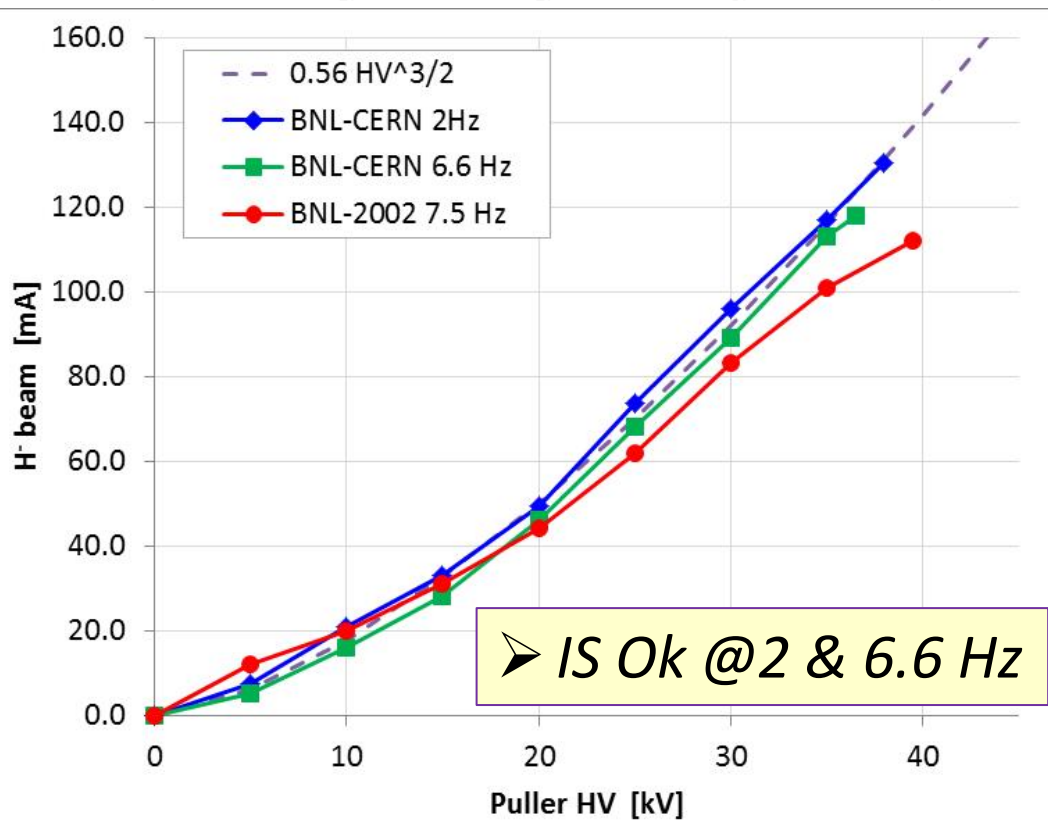
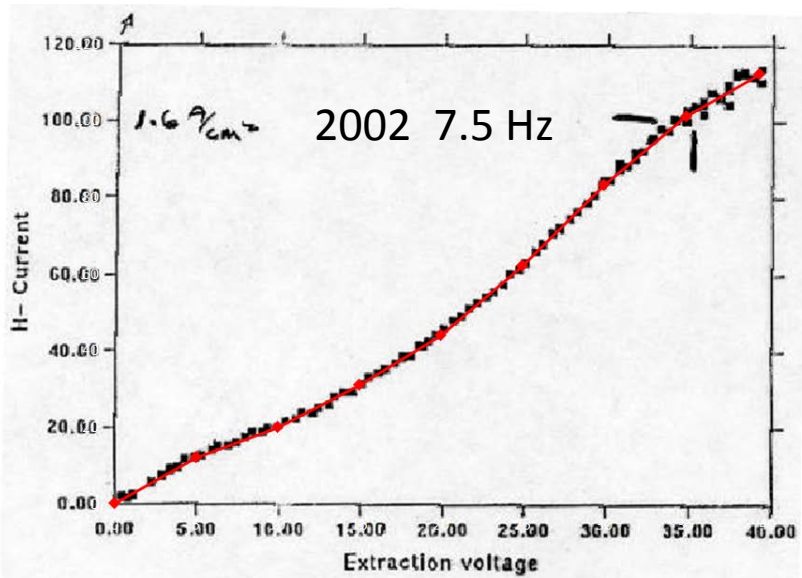
2013 6.6 Hz



2013 2.0 Hz (x 2/3)



# H- beam yield



# Cs-Atomic Oven: bright wall collimation model

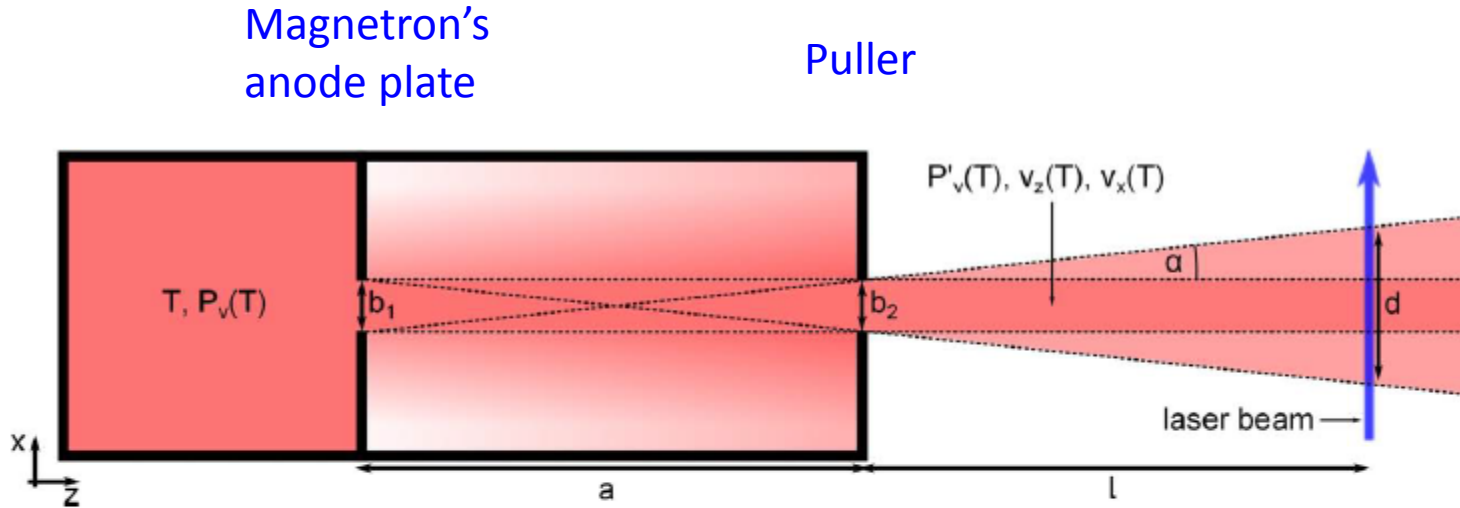


Figure 1.2: Scheme of an effusive oven with aperture 1 of diameter  $b_1$  and aperture 2 at a distance  $a$  with diameter  $b_2$ . Inside the box, the atoms have temperature  $T$  and velocity distribution  $P_v(T)$ . Only atoms inside the dotted lines contribute to the atomic beam. The beam emerges into a solid angle  $\omega = 2\pi(1 - \cos\alpha)$  and has diameter  $d$  at a distance  $l$  from aperture 2. The atoms in the beam have velocity distribution  $P'_v(T)$  and longitudinal and transversal velocity components  $v_z(T)$  and  $v_x(T, f)$ . A laser beam crosses the atomic beam transversal at distance  $l$  from aperture 2.

$$f = \left( \frac{b_1/2 + b_2/2}{a} \right)$$

$$d = 2 \left( (a + l) f - \frac{b_1}{2} \right)$$

Assumption 20% of all Cesium travels through the puller

- O(1) g/y through the puller (and into the LEPT)
- O(25) mg/y into the RFQ (20 mm diam.at 2.3m dist.)

# Cs Vapour pressure

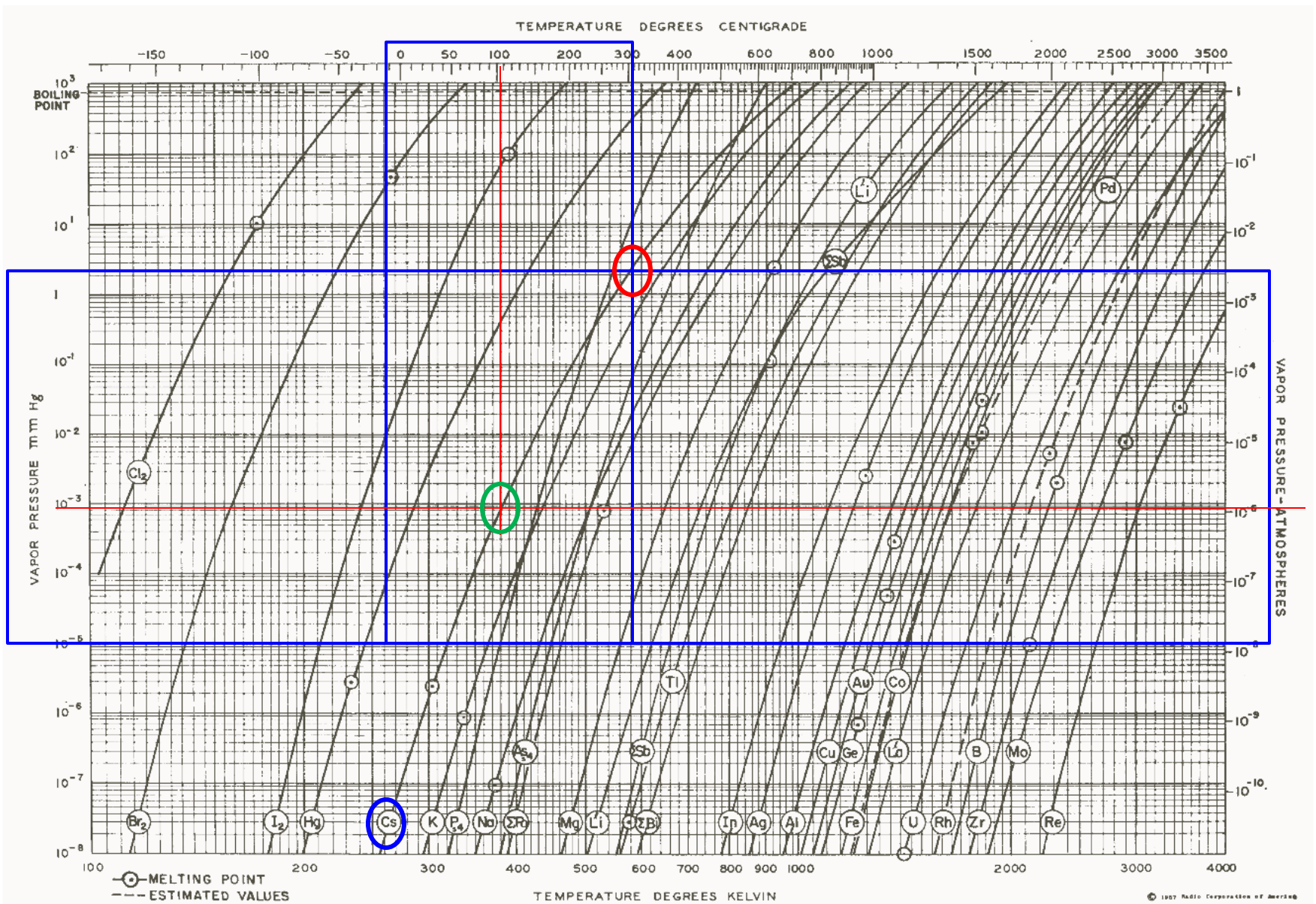


Figure A1(a). Vapor pressure curves for the more common elements. After Honig (Ref. 5:14). (Courtesy RCA

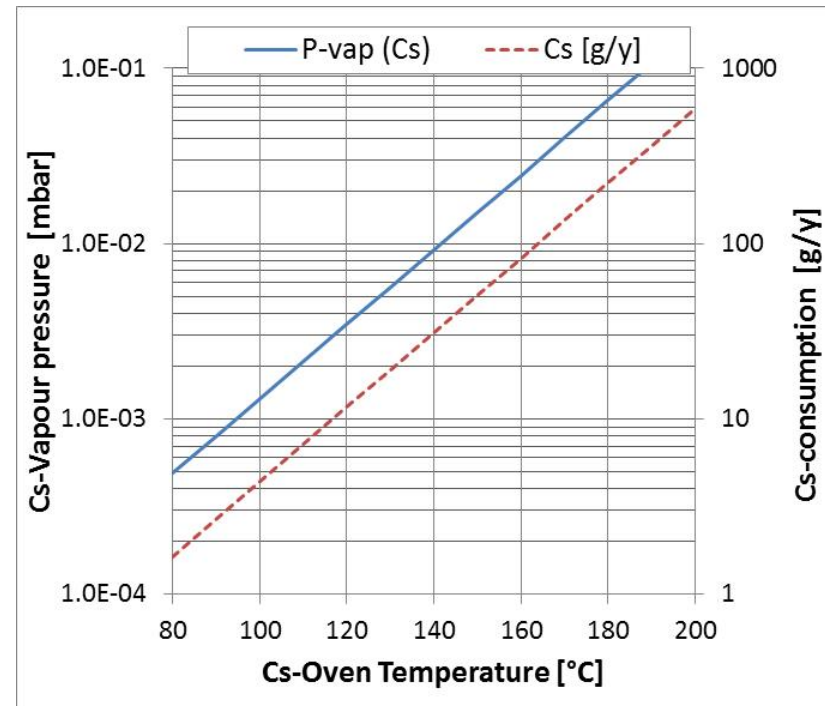
# Cesium

- Yearly consumption for a Cs-oven temperature of 100 °C: 4.5 g/year
- Vapour pressure gradient at  $T_0 = 100^\circ$  :  $dp/p_0/dT = 1 \text{ decade} / 47^\circ$
- Emission form an **atomic oven**  $\rightarrow$  O(25) mg/year in the RFQ & 1g/y into LEBT
- Negligible interaction of  $^{133}\text{Cs}$ -atoms ( $T_{\text{cathode}}$ ),  $r_{\text{Cs}} = 2.60 \text{ \AA}$  with the  $\text{H}_2$  (room temp.),  $d_{\text{H}_2} = 0.74 \text{ \AA}$ 
  - Rest gas in the LEBT: mean free path ( $p_0$ )  $\sim 100 \text{ m}$  at  $1\text{e-}6 \text{ mbar}$

But: “Cs never seen beyond the extraction electrode” at BNL  
 $\rightarrow$  BNL’s magnetron does not behave as a Cs-atomic Oven

## Cs-related Risk scenarios:

- Impact of steady state Cs-flux on RFQ operation not fully clarified; likely increase of e-emission due to lowering of cesiated surface work function
- Maintenance of cesiated inner-surface of vacuum components
- Operation of cesiated beam diagnostics (grids)
- Cs-Oven overheating (*Worst case*  $300^\circ \rightarrow \text{Cs} \times 1000$ )
  - $\rightarrow$  Conditioning of the source with closed LEBT valve
  - $\rightarrow$  Limitation of Cs-Oven heating to  $130^\circ$
  - $\rightarrow$  Single bending or dog legged bend in the LEBT or tilted source ( $>$  increased emittance)
  - $\rightarrow$  Condensation of Cs-vapour



# BNL Test of CERN's Magnetron: Summary

		Typ. BNL 2002		CERN-BNL test	
		min	max		
H- current	mA	90	100	120	130
current density	A/cm <sup>2</sup>	1.6		1.52	1.64
Extraction	kV	35		38	39
RMS emittance	$\pi$ mm·mrad	0.4			
e/H		0.5	1	0.75	0.75
e-current	mA	45	100	90	98
Puller current:	mA	135	200	210	228
Arc voltage	V	140	160	190	190
Arc current	A	8	18	18	18
Plasma impedance	$\Omega$	17.5	8.9	10.6	10.6
Arc power	kW	1.1	2.5	3.42	3.42
Rep. rate	Hz	7.5		6.6	2
Pulse width	$\mu$ s	700		700	700
Duty factor		0.53%		0.46%	0.14%
Av. Arc-power	W	5.8	13.1	15.8	4.8
T(Cs-Oven)	$^{\circ}$ C	90	100		110-120
Cs-Vapour pressure	mbar	8.0E-04	1.0E-03		2.1-35 E-3
Cs consumption	mg/hr	0.5			
	g/y	4.38			7.1-11.7
Gas flow	sccm	2		2	0.7
Pressure				1.50E-06	7.00E-07

Linac4 specification:

80 mA within  $0.25 \pi$  mm·mrad

- Meas. of emittance @45 kV
- Beam intensity tuning via extraction voltage
- 45 kV pulsed transformer designed for 200 mA. Low energy e-dumping not realistic ?
- Measurement of e/H
- T-controlled cathode ?
- Low temperature Cs-Oven operation would be an asset:
  - Measurement of Cs-flow
  - T-controlled magnetron's body
  - Tilted source + Cs-condenser



# Magnetrons with heated anode body

- Avoiding a cold spot at the end of the Cs path: Improved start-up time
- Potential impact of the warm anode body to be assessed:
  - Reduction of overall Cs-consumption
  - Reduction of the necessary arc discharge current
  - Operation at 0.8 Hz

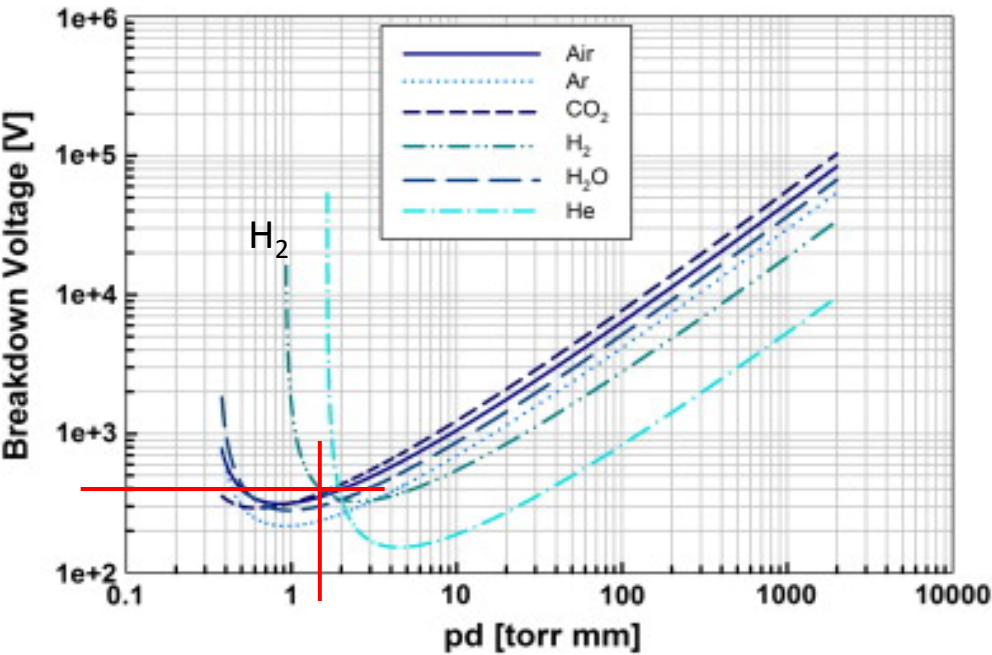


Mo-Cathode: Thermocouple location

Direct cathode heating to compensate  
low rep rate heating ?



# Paschen discharge, e-emission, arc impedance



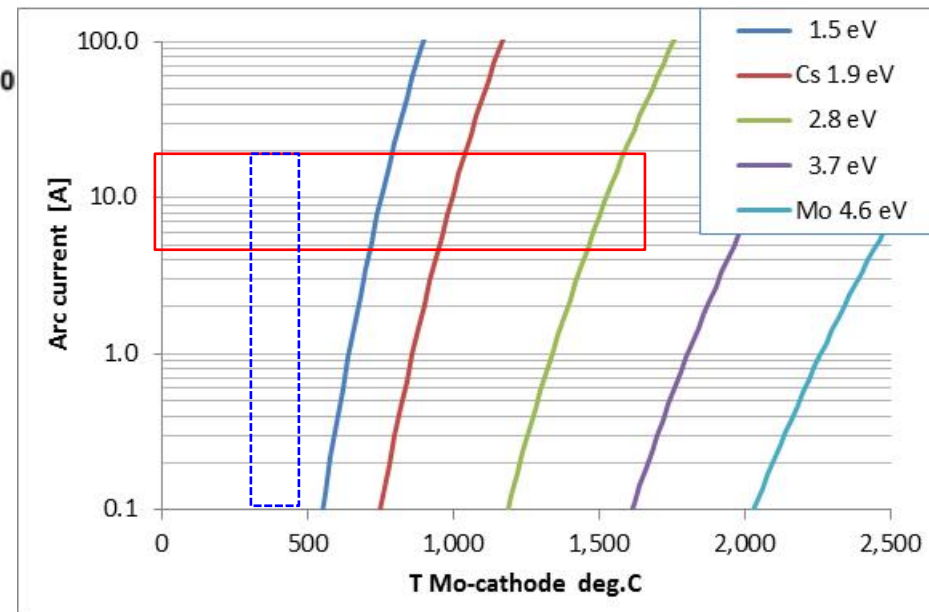
$U_{\text{discharge}} < 400\text{V}$ ,  $d = 1 \text{ mm}$   
 $\rightarrow p(\text{H}_2) > 2 \text{ mbar}$ ,  $U_{\text{min}} = 320\text{V}$

In **clean**  $\text{H}_2$ , No Paschen discharge below 300 V

*An estimation of the  $\text{H}_2$  and Cs partial pressure and cesiated surface temperature in the arc region would be interesting.*

Arc impedance min: 10.5 Ohm  
 Arc power 3.4 kW  
 Av. conductivity: 0.15 S/m  
 Arc electron density of  $10^{18} \text{ m}^{-3}$ ,

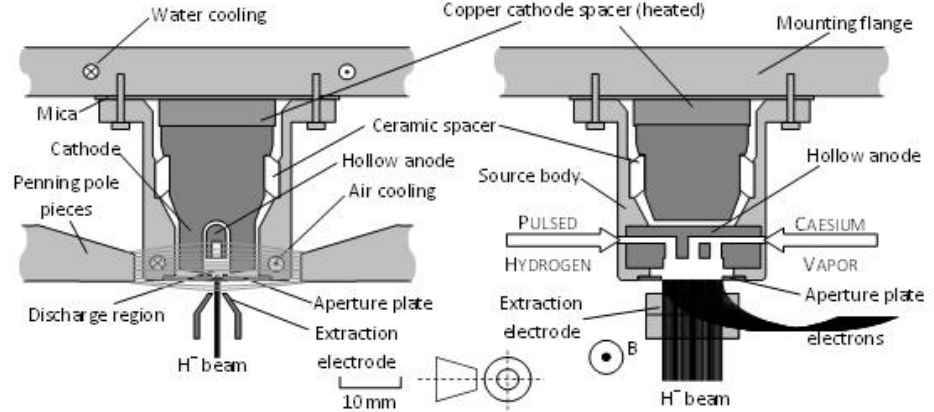
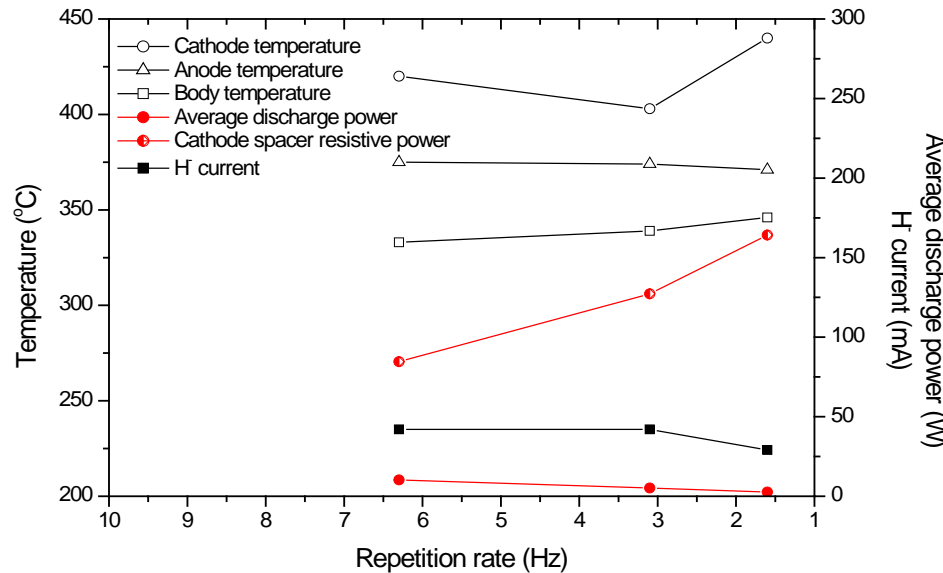
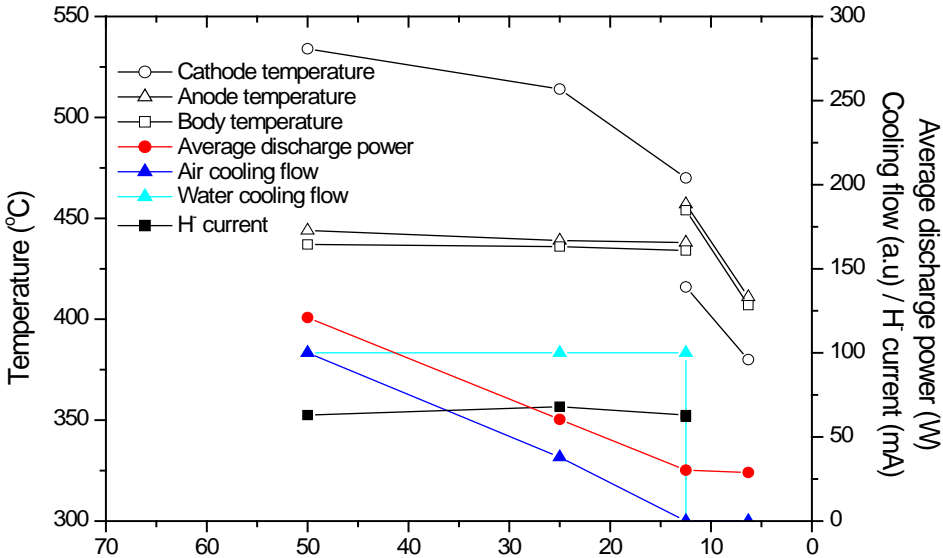
Richardson current (Temp., Work fct.)  
 extracted from the cesiated Mo cathode:



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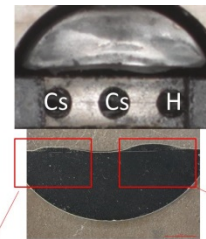
R. Witkov R. Witkov T-cathode bulk =  $\sim 380^\circ$

# ISIS Penning H- IS, ageing and 2Hz operation

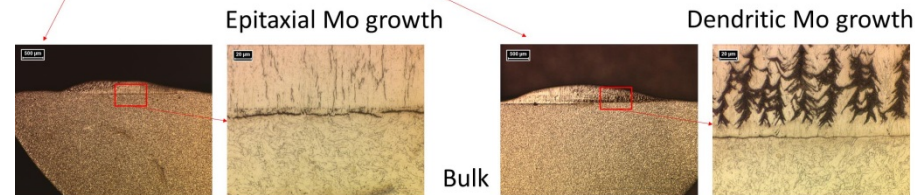


## Results:

- Once equipped with an additional heating circuit (mandatory below 12 Hz) the ISIS penning IS operates at 2 Hz.



- Cs<sup>+</sup>, H<sup>+</sup> Sputtered Mo growth in a brittle layer on Mo-cathode.



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# Conclusion, outlook: BNL's Magnetron as Linac4 IS-03

**2Hz duty cycle** : Operation at 2 Hz already demonstrated, discharge commissioning at higher repetition rate (6-10 Hz), additional heating is an asset to start the ion source, it may be beneficial to limit the Cs-flow

- 0.8 Hz operation via 1 pulse out of 3
- ISIS operation at 1.6 Hz demonstrated, R&D **more** in T-control **less** in Cs-handling

**Operation at 45 kV**: Beam optics mandatory for Electrons and H<sup>-</sup>,

**Ageing**: Marginal increase of the sputtering anticipated for Cs<sup>+</sup> or H<sup>+</sup> ions. Tracking of e-beam-power surface density mandatory

**Emittance**: Measurement at 45 kV mandatory,  $\sim 0.5 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$  expected

**H<sup>-</sup> intensity**: O(100) mA anticipated with O(80%) transmission through the RFQ.

**H<sub>2</sub> injection**: New valve and comparative measurement mandatory,

**Arc discharge power supply**: Achievable by the TE-team, 2015 ?

**Design and production**: New flange and external ceramic insulator required.

**Cs-flow**: Direct view to the RFQ for atomic beam between pulses, measurement required to confirm estimation of O(25) mg/y or clarify suppression mechanism.

**Magnetron at CERN**: **No show stopper** but mandatory 6 month testing the magnetron at the IS-test-stand prior to decision of operation. Design of a Cs-trap + tilted source or dog legged LEBT mandatory.

**BNL's Off-line test stand** could be refurbished for Magnetron R&D

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# *IS03 WP summary*

## *Remaining tasks towards testing the magnetron at the Linac4 IS –test stand*

- Design an Arc discharge power supply and produce 3u + spare parts (TE)
- H<sub>2</sub> pulsed injection valve, (BE)
- Calculate Beam optics protecting the RFQ from IS's Cs-flux (BE)
- Design and produce support flange, Cs-condenser and tilted extraction, (EN)
- Design and produce Ceramics insulator (EN)
- Emittance measurement. (BE)
- Learning phase on operation + >6 month measurement at the test stand

*Resources:* 3 FTE + 100k CHF