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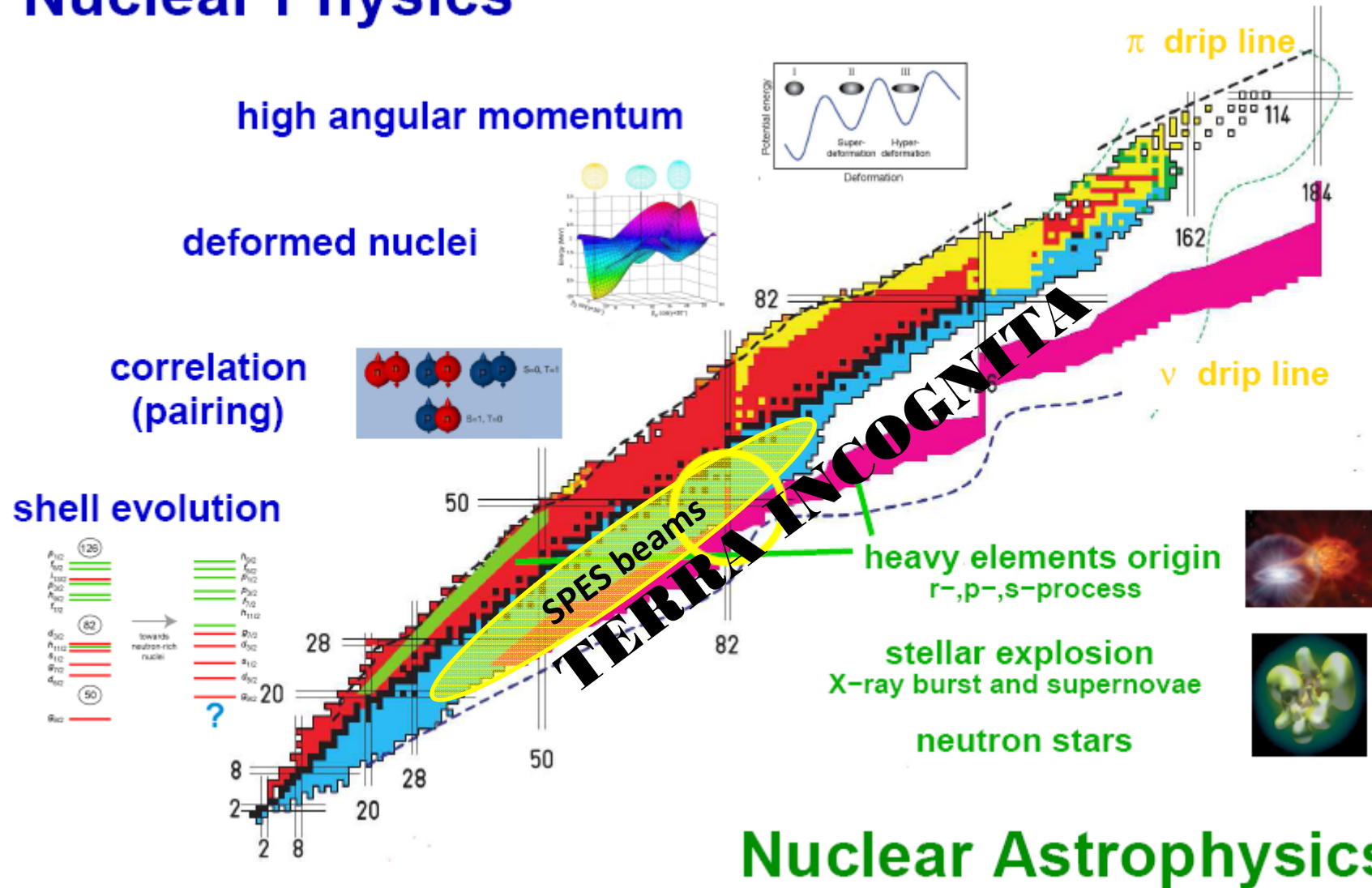
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# SPES (Selective Production of Exotic Species)

## Nuclear Physics

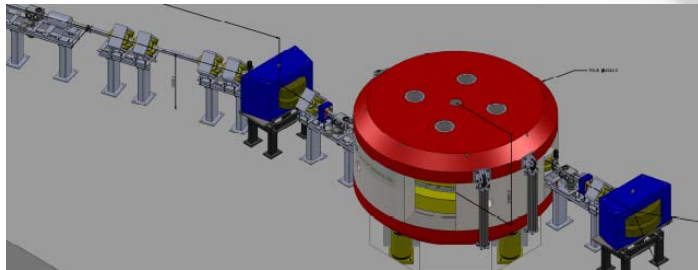
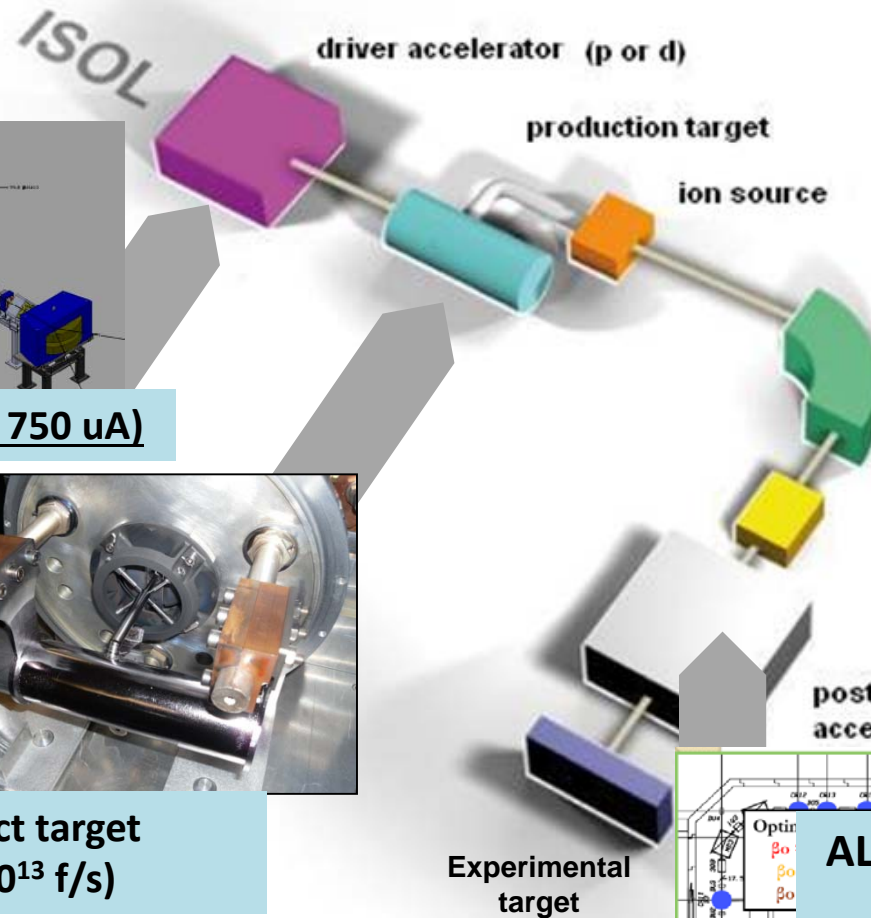


## Nuclear Astrophysics

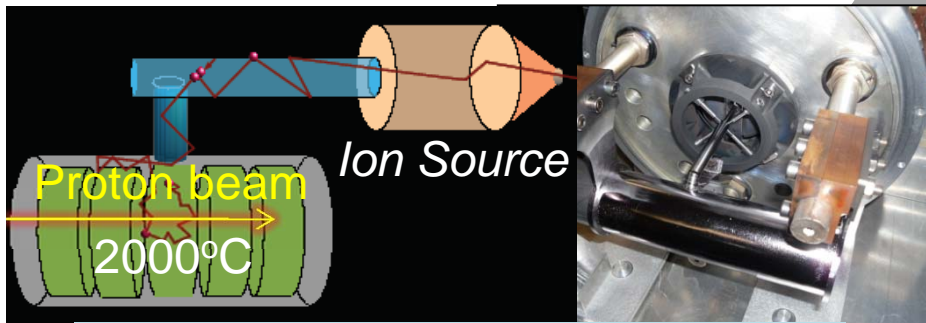
# The SPES choice for the ISOL facility

**Cost-effective**  
 (≈50M€) 50% spent,  
 50% secured

- Cyclotron 10
- Building 10
- RIB production 5
- RIB transport 15
- Re-acc 10

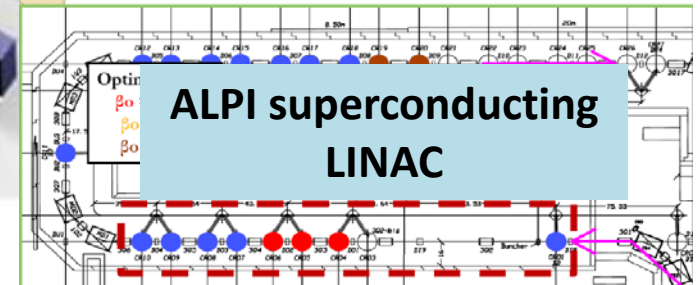


**Cyclotron p-driver (30-70 MeV, 750 uA)**



**NEW CONCEPT: direct target multi-foil UCx (for  $10^{13}$  f/s)**

**Beam commissioning expected in 2018**



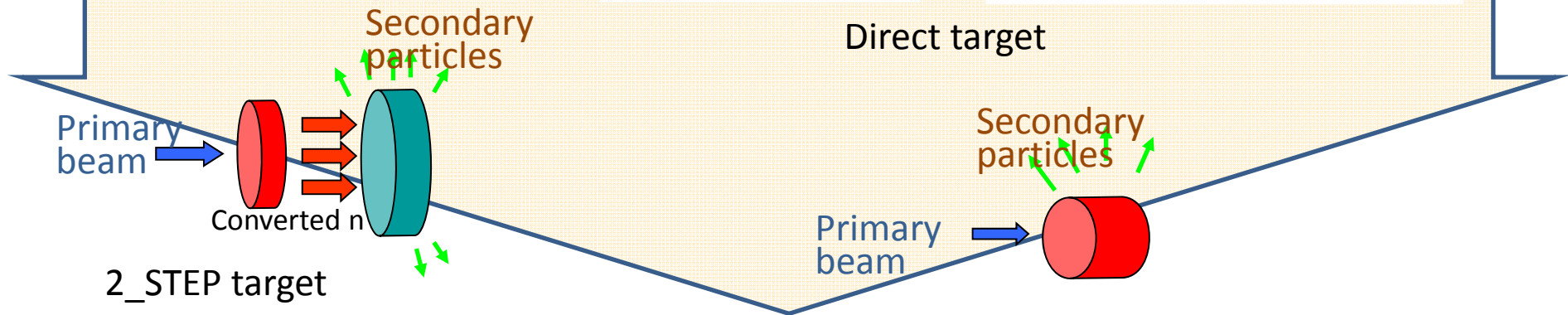


# ISOL Roadmap in EUROPE

Second generation  
2014-2025

$10^{13-14}$  fission/s  
10 MeV/n (A=130)

Effective Mass resolution  
1/20000



$> 10^{15}$  fission/s  
100 MeV/n (A=130)  
Mass resolution 1/20000

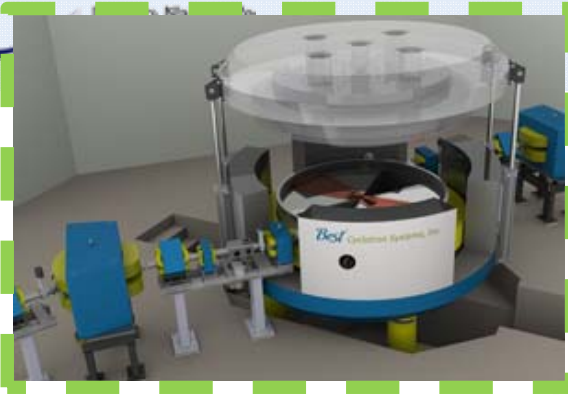


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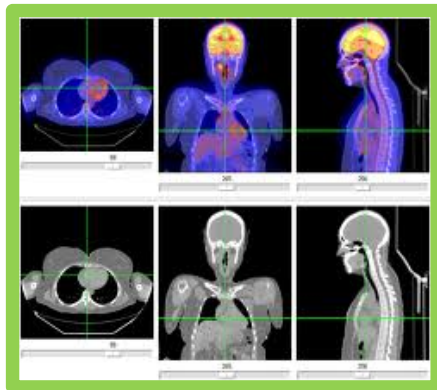




# The four phases of SPES



BEST Cyclotron:  
- 70 MeV  
- 1 mA



**LARAMED Project @ LNL**

Research and production  
of RI for medicine:  
 $^{82}\text{Sr}$ ,  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -,  $^{67}\text{Cu}$ , ...

**Second generation  
ISOL facility**



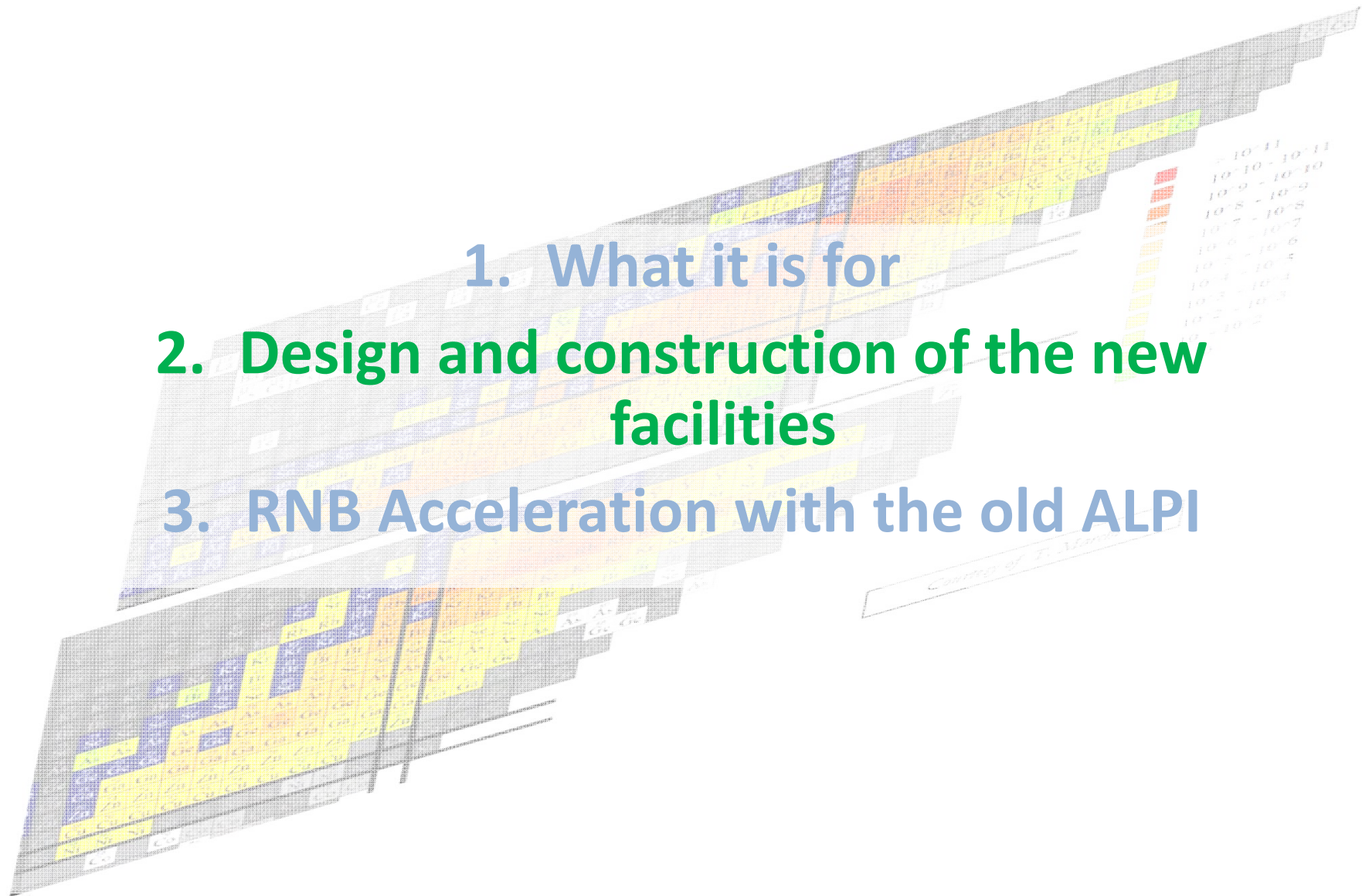
Study of neutron  
rich nuclei



**NEPIR Project @ LNL**

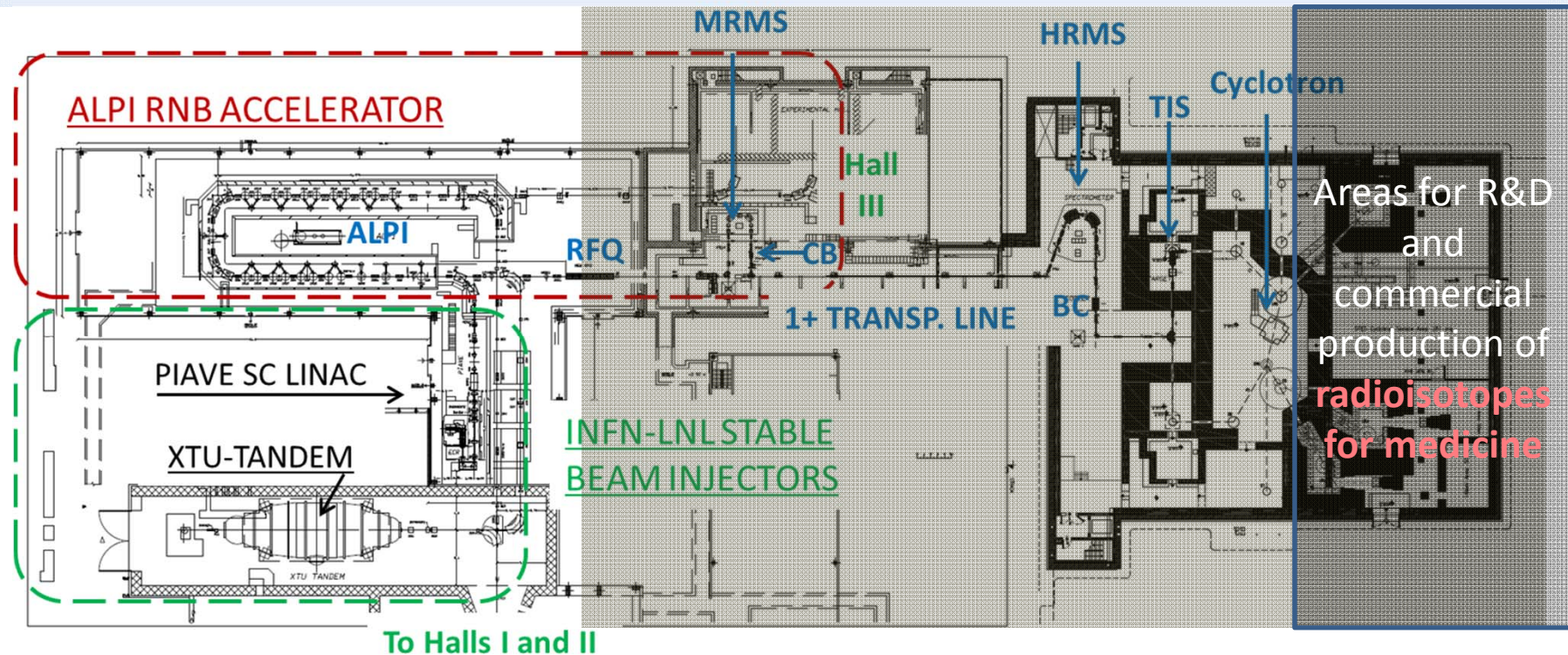
Accelerator based neutron source  
(cosmic spectrum and QMN  
beams)

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# LNL Facilities: from stable to exotic

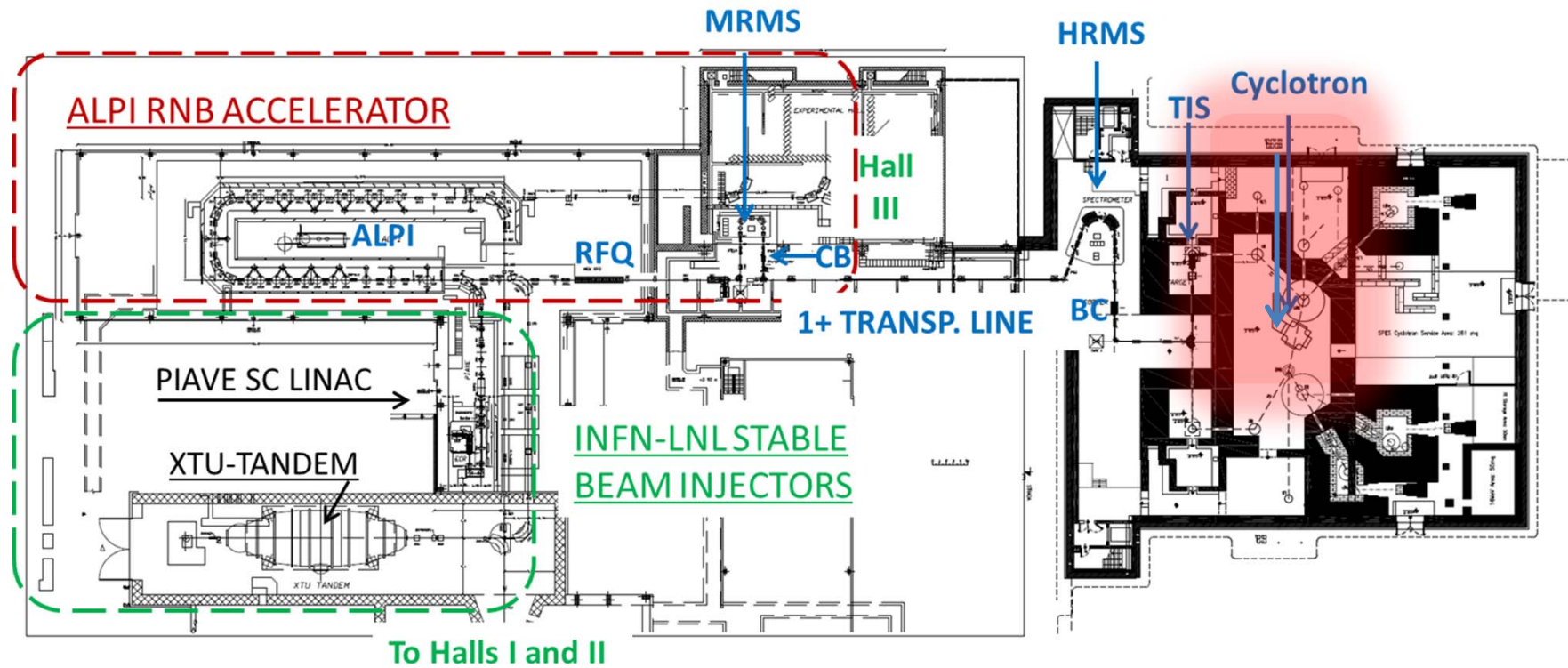


SPES project is rooted on an **existing (folded...)** SC linac, to be upgraded, but **suitable to RNB acceleration.**

**Start-to-end** excursus, **from cyclotron to ALPI**

Wide scope aspects: **Safety and Radioprotection**, **Mechanics** (design and integration, new and new+old equipment), **Controls** (new and old integrated), **Vacuum**

# SPES Layout



**Cyclotron p-driver (30-70 MeV, 700  $\mu$ A)**



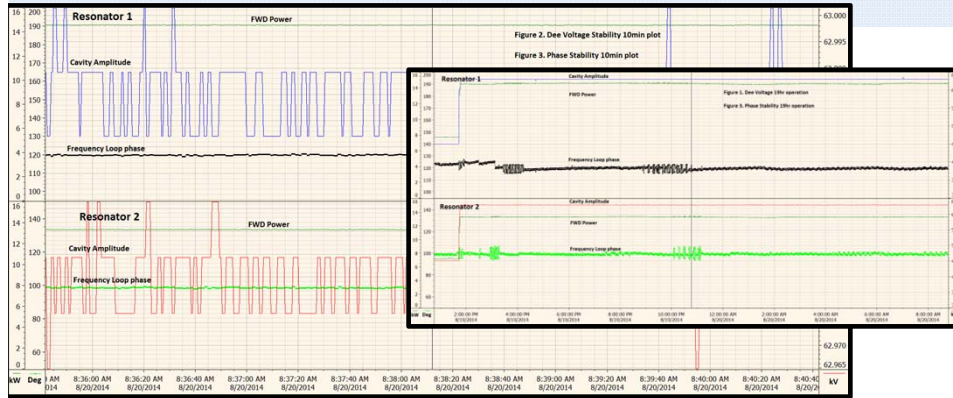




# Status July 2014(@BEST Cyclotrons, Ottawa)



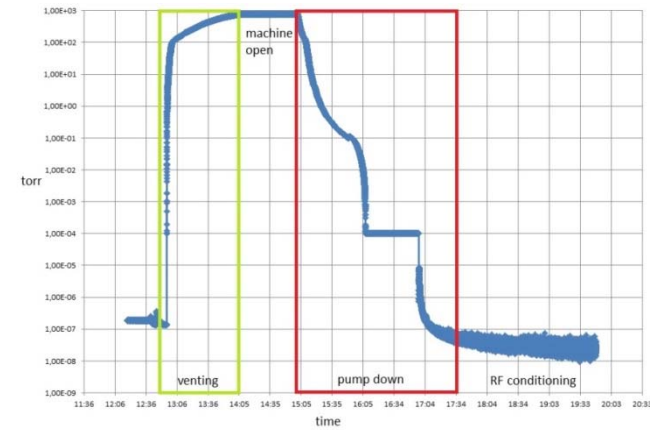




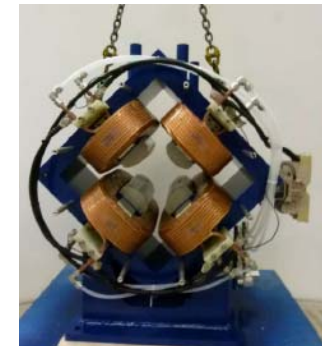
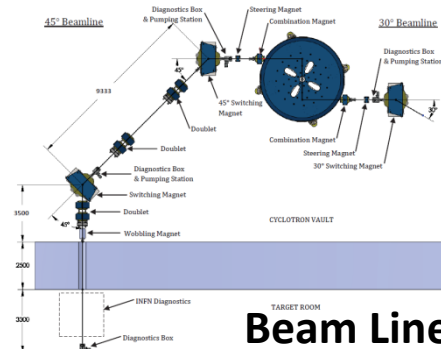
**Cavity short and long term stability tests:**  
 $\Delta V \leq 2,5 \times 10^{-5}$  (specs:  $\leq 5 \times 10^{-4}$  ;  $\pm 0.1$  deg)



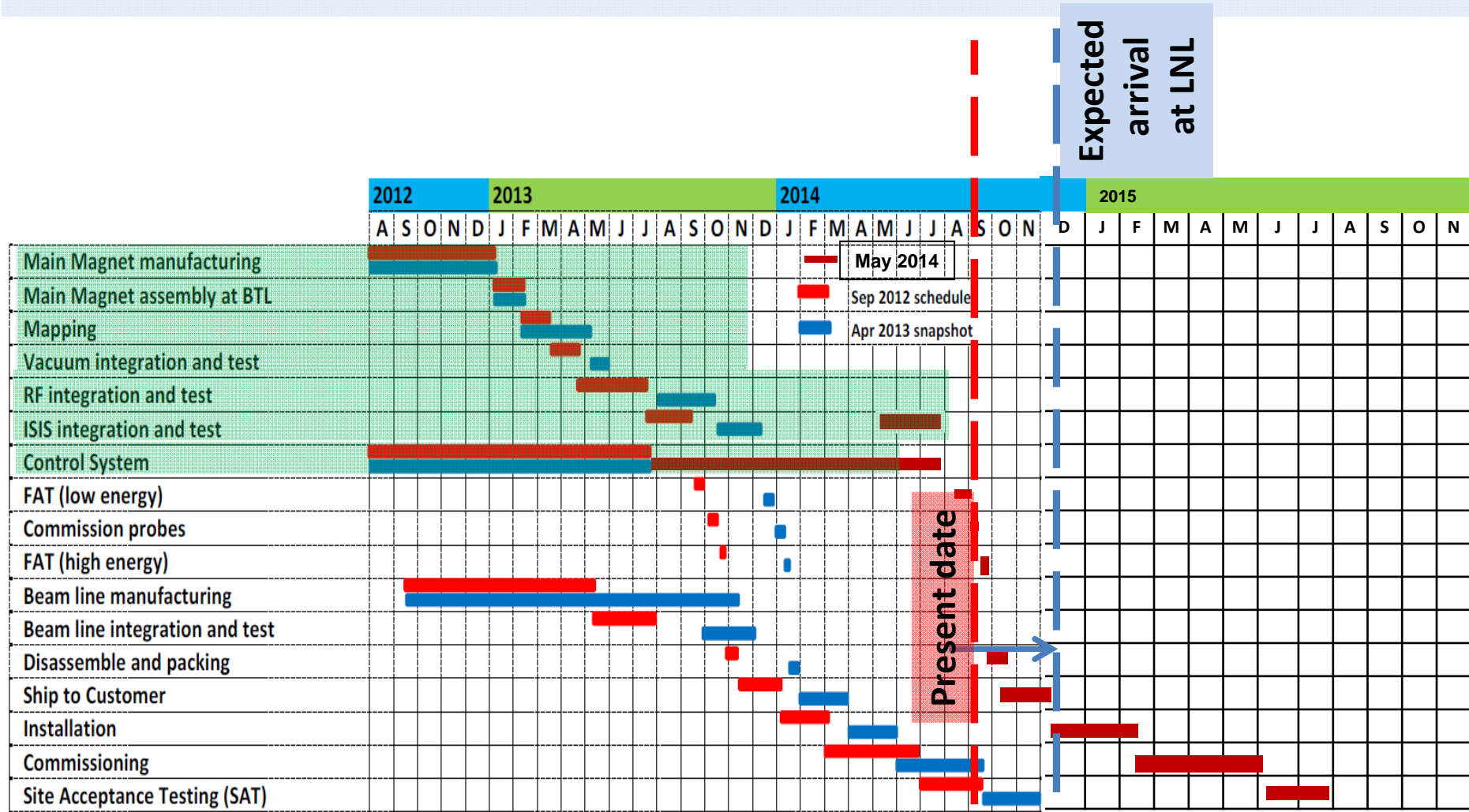
**Source:** 6 mA of H- achieved within acceptance (spec: 10mA spec, for 800uA extraction)



**Vacuum:** 2,5 hrs from open machine to better than  $10^{-8}$  mbar (no trim coils and one-piece poles)



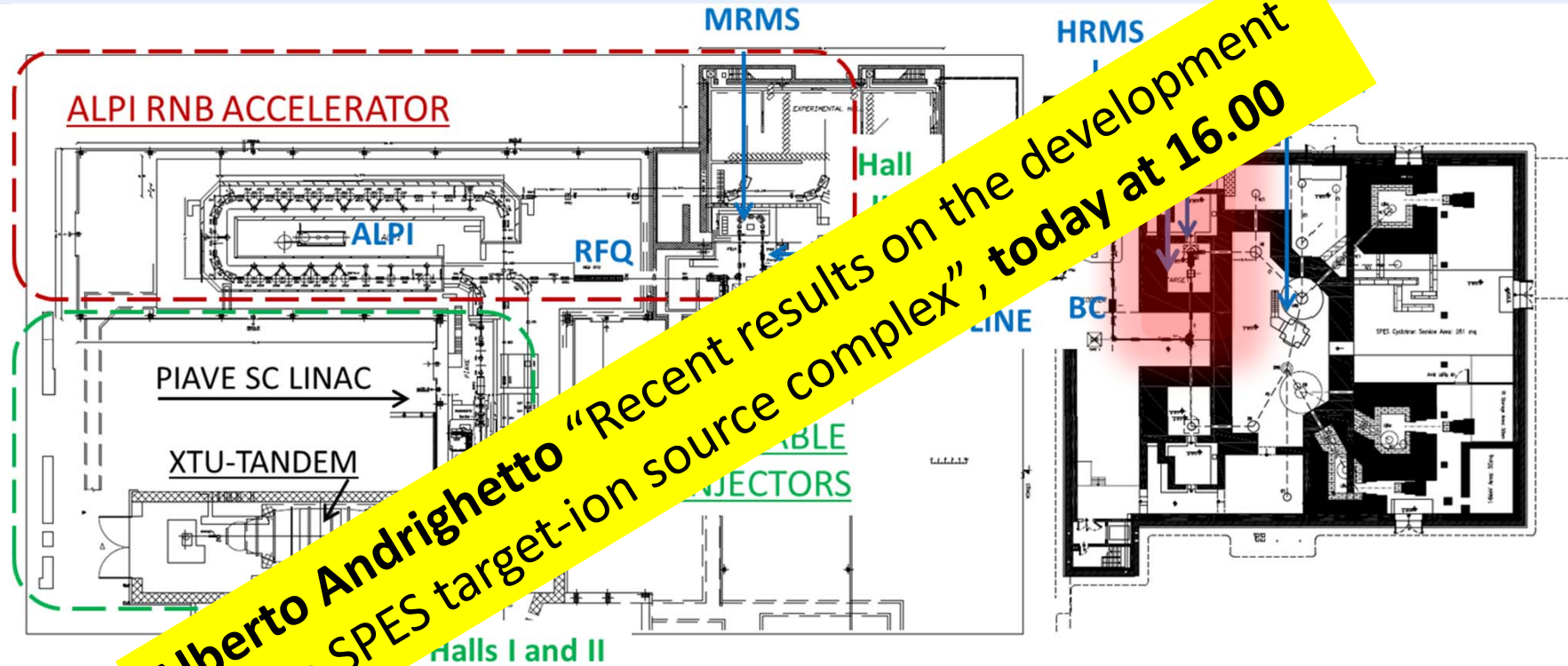
# Cyclotron Schedule



Latest official schedule. Might be stretched by 3 more months



# SPES Layout



**Target-Ion-Source System: UCx multislice direct target, associated with Surface, Plasma and Laser Ion Sources**

# SPES safety: main issues

## Radioprotection specific:

- ✓ Radioactive release, in case of accident
- ✓ Activation (cyclotron-beam line, air, water, concrete)
- ✓ Exhausted radioactive gas
- ✓ Temporary storage of irradiated targets
- ✓ Activity build up on selected elements of the RIB-line

- ✓ Shielding
- ✓ Access Control System

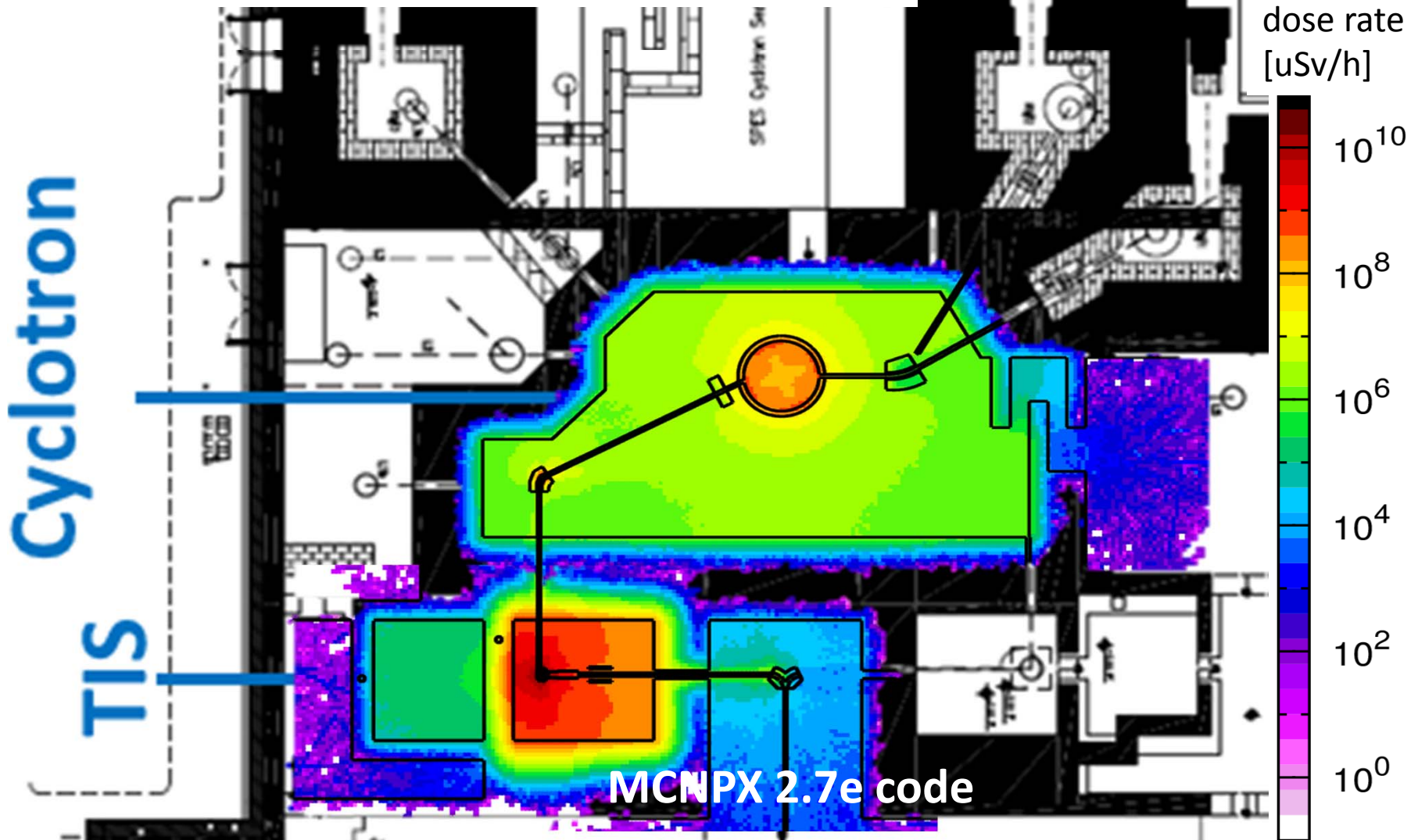
## Nuclear Safety Issues:

- TIS cooling system
- Air ventilation and pressure drop plant for target bunker and cyclotron rooms
- ISOL Front End (handling system, interventions, ...)
- Vacuum and radioactive gases storage plant; Target Repository

Failure mode, effects and criticality analysis (FMECA) of the above in progress  
(revision of **critical** components)



Monte Carlo simulations for dose rates estimation and radioactivity analysis in critical areas of the facility: target bunker, cyclotron vault and RIB transport beam line

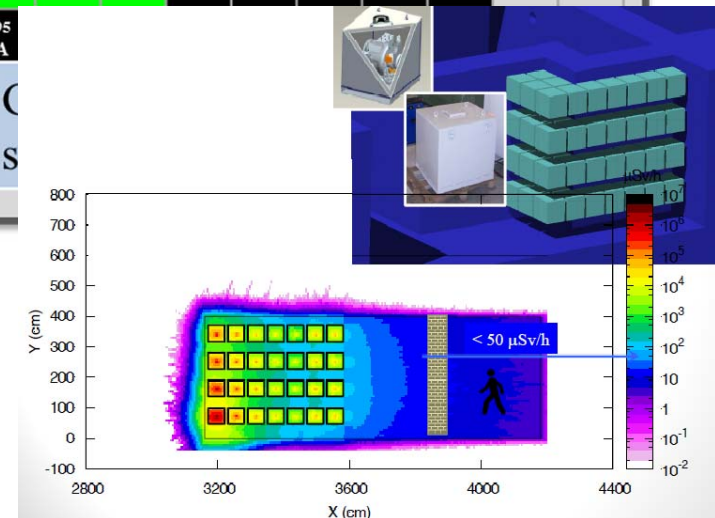
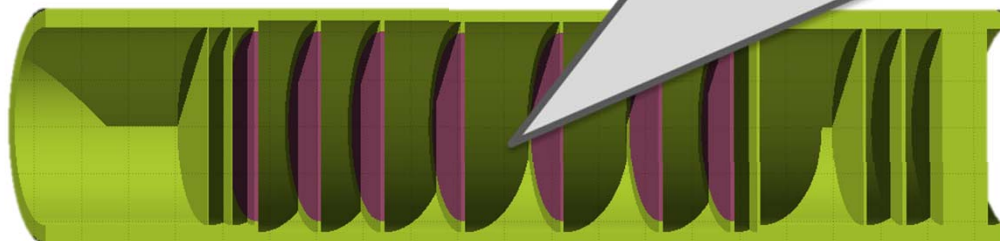


# Irradiated target composition

## RA elements:

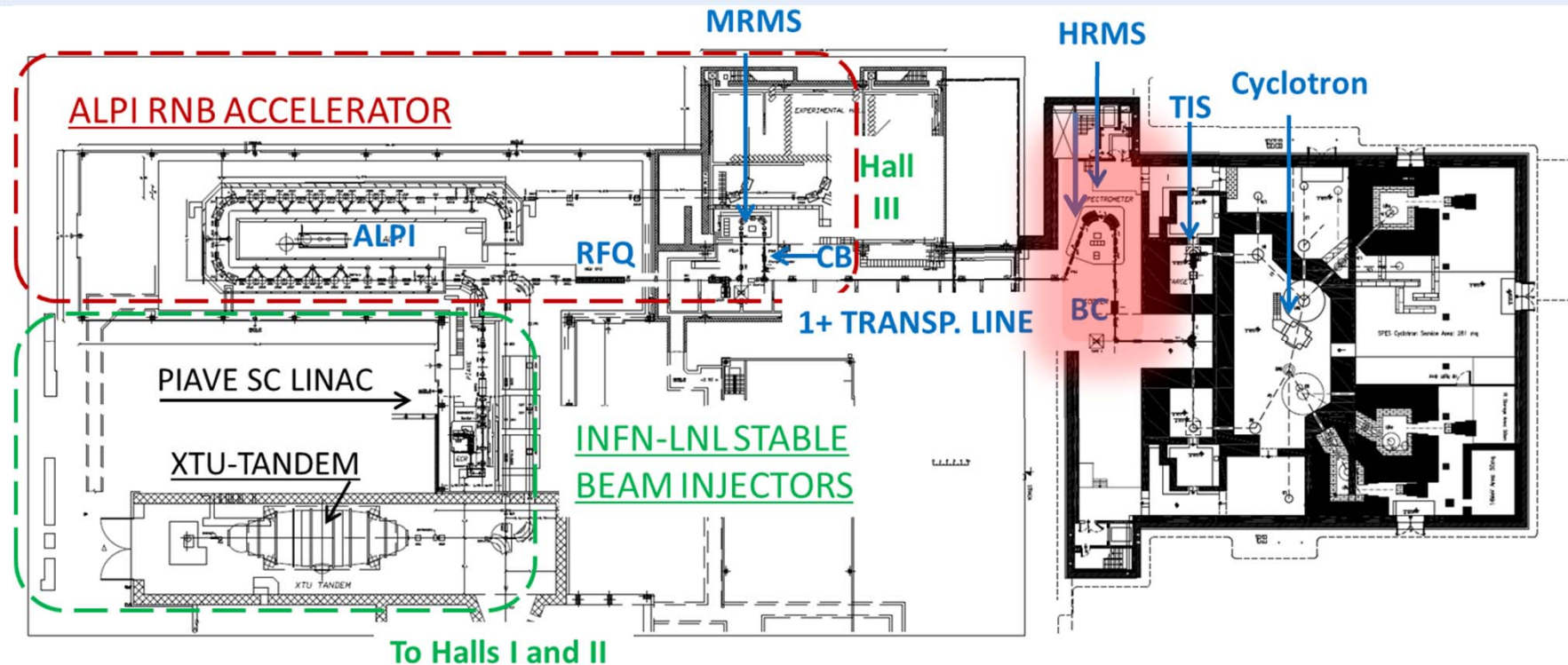
1. Some remain there (storage)
2. Other are released (gas/vapor into gas storage tanks):  
quantitative assessment done.

1 H																			2 He	
3 Li	4 Be																		9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg																		17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr			
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe			
55 Cs	56 Ba	71 Lu	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn			
87 Fr	88 Ra	103 Lr																		
		57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb					
		89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am												
		Evaporation		Liquid state																





# Beam Cooler and HRMS

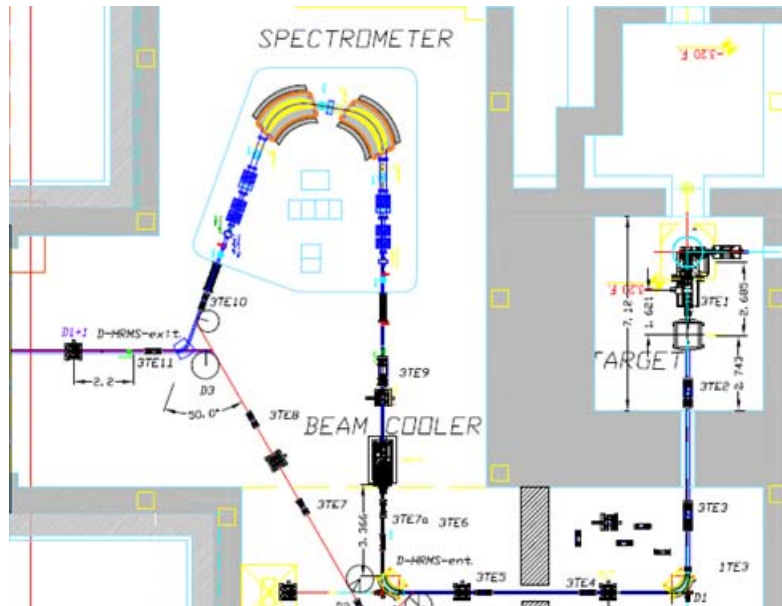


**Beam Cooler and HRMS:** required to ensure proper mass separation for fission-generated exotic nuclei



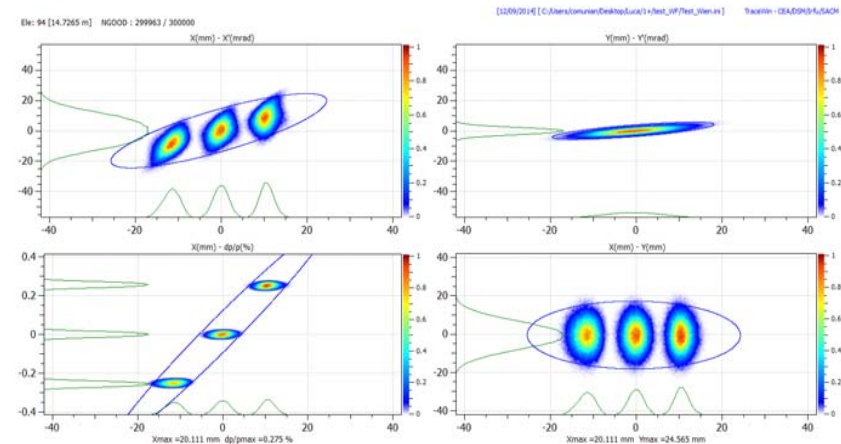


# WF + by-pass line

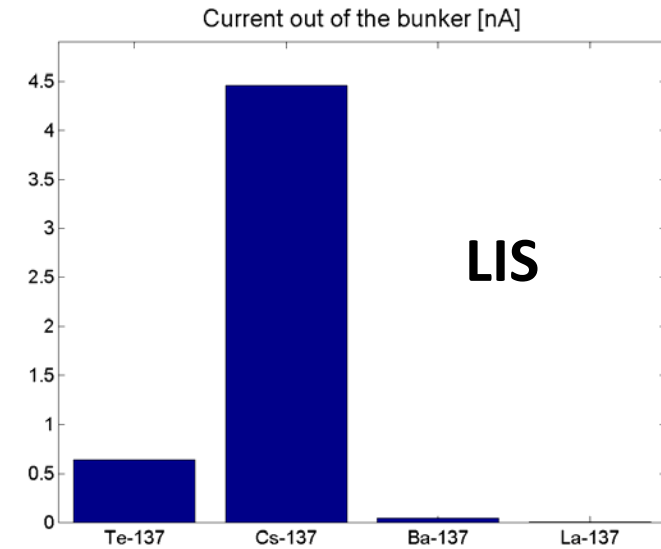
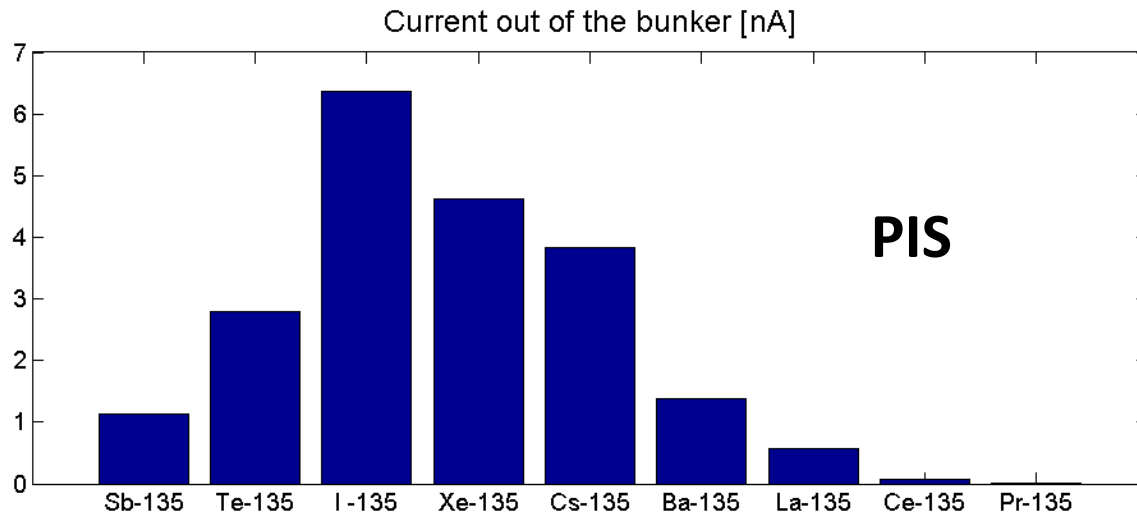


Name	Length (m)	Width/Height or diameter(cm)	Magnetic field (kG)	Comments
D29	1.2			
FI3	26.5°			Entrance edge
BN90	0.9425		5.51	R=0.6 m
F03	26.5°			Exit edge
D30	1.25			
QU81	0.2	∅=8	6.76	
D32	0.07			
QU82	0.4	∅=8	-1.7	
D33	0.07			
QU83	0.2	∅=8	1.68	
D34	1.79			

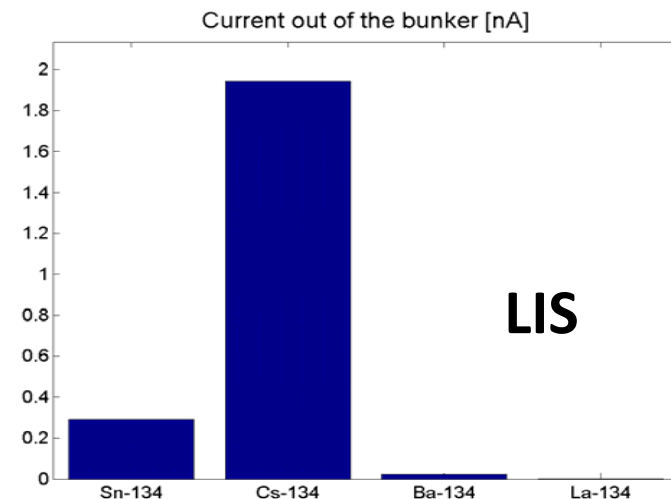
- $\Delta M/M \approx 1/400$  (1° order)
- $\Delta M/M \approx 1/200$  (2° order)
- Error study on-going



# Beam contaminants to be selected along the beam line



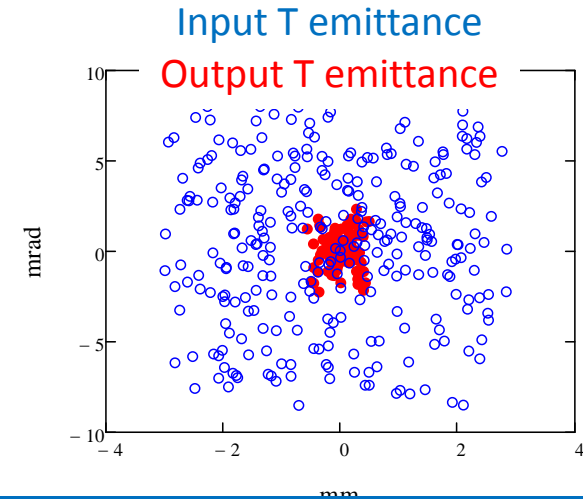
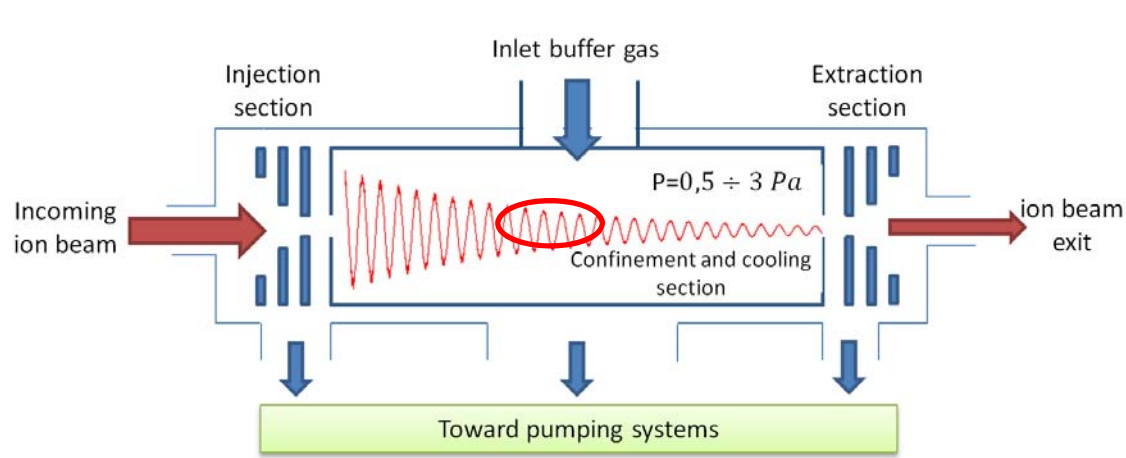
Depending on the desired species and the source type (SIS, LIS, PIS), different **M-resolution** along the beam line are required for **proper RNB selectivity**.



Beam distribution out of the bunker (after the  $\Delta M/M \sim 1/70$  WF)



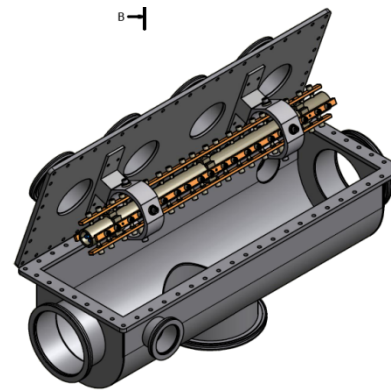
# RFQ Beam Cooler



## SPES RFQ Beam Cooler parameters

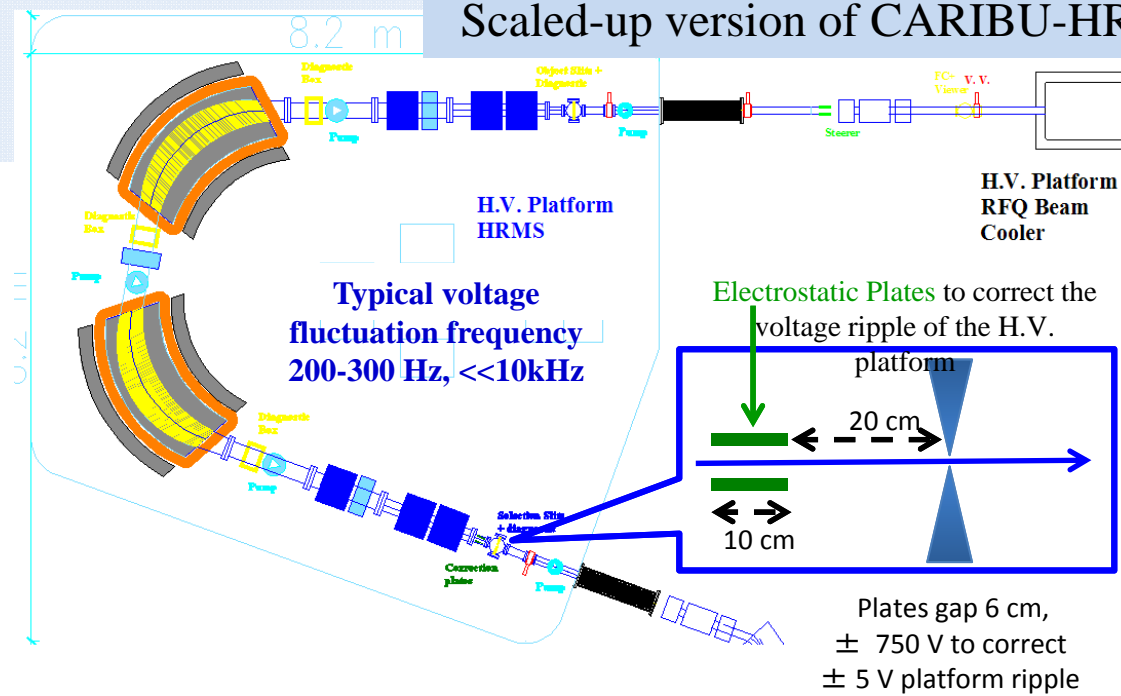
Mass Range	5-200 amu
Transverse Emittance Injected beam	30 $\pi$ mm mrad @ 40 keV
Emittance Reduction factor	10 (max)
Buffer Gas	He @ 273 K
Beam Intensity	50-100 nA $\rightarrow$ $\times 10^{11}$ pps
Energy spread	< 5 eV
RF Voltage range	0.5 – 2.5 kV (1 kV at $q=0.25$ )
RF Frequency range	1 -30 MHz ( 3.5 – 15 MHz at $q=0.25$ )
RFQ gap radius ( $r_0$ )	4 mm
RFQ Length (total)	700 mm
Pressure Buffer Gas (He) range	0.1 – 2.5 Pa
Ion energy during the cooling	100-200 eV

**BD and EM simulations, mech. and quads : done**  
**RF system and HV tests in high-P: will be tested**



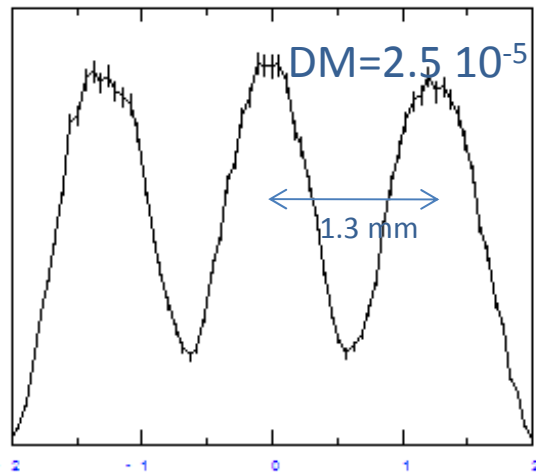
**Inj/extr design: Q1/2015**

## Scaled-up version of CARIBU-HRMS, ANL (USA)



PLOT OF ( X VERSA Y) AT Z= 1.347E+01 LLL

TITLE OF GIOS INPUT: Separatore SPES caribu like 80



### 3<sup>o</sup> order effects analysis (LNS-LNL)

Input parameters:

Energy = 260 KeV

$\Delta\theta = 4\text{ mrad}$

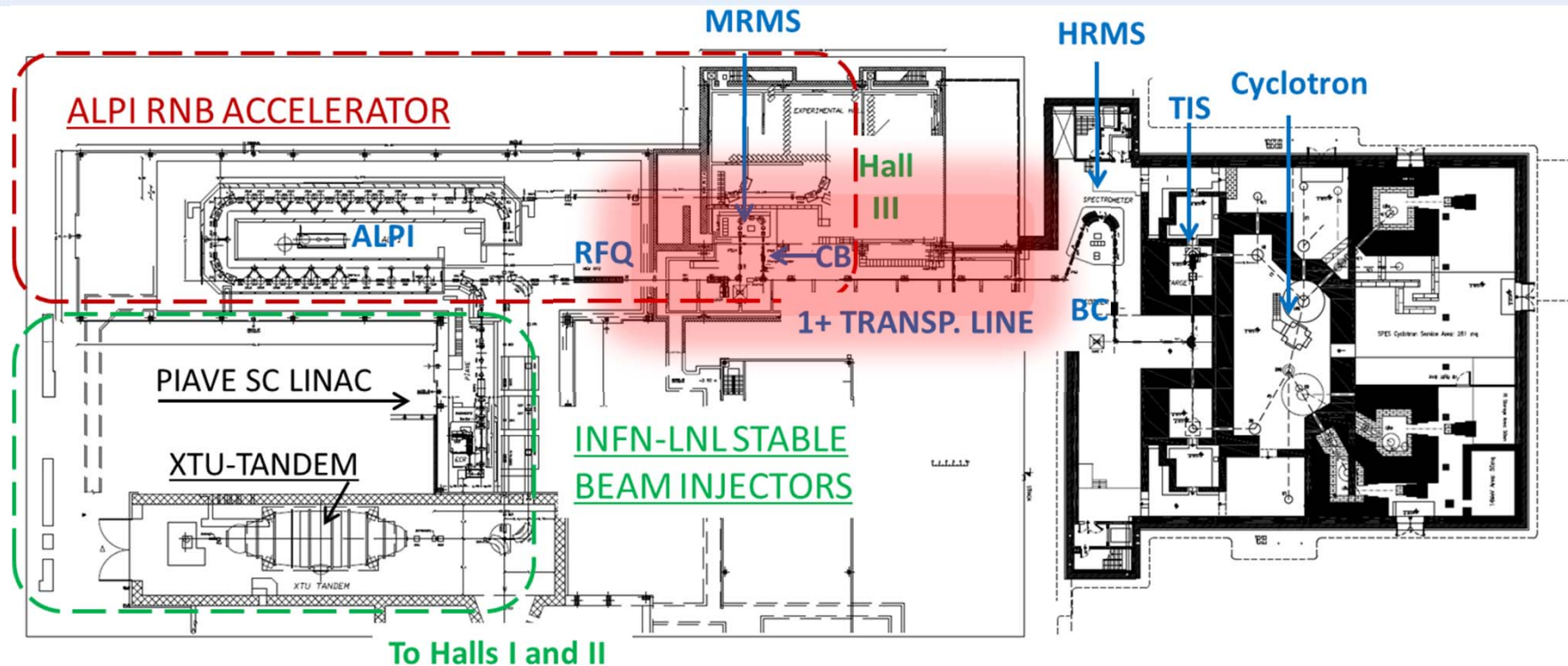
$\Delta E = \pm 1.3\text{ eV}$

Emittance =  $3\pi\text{ mm mrad}$

Mass resolution: 1/40000 (eng. design: 1/25000)



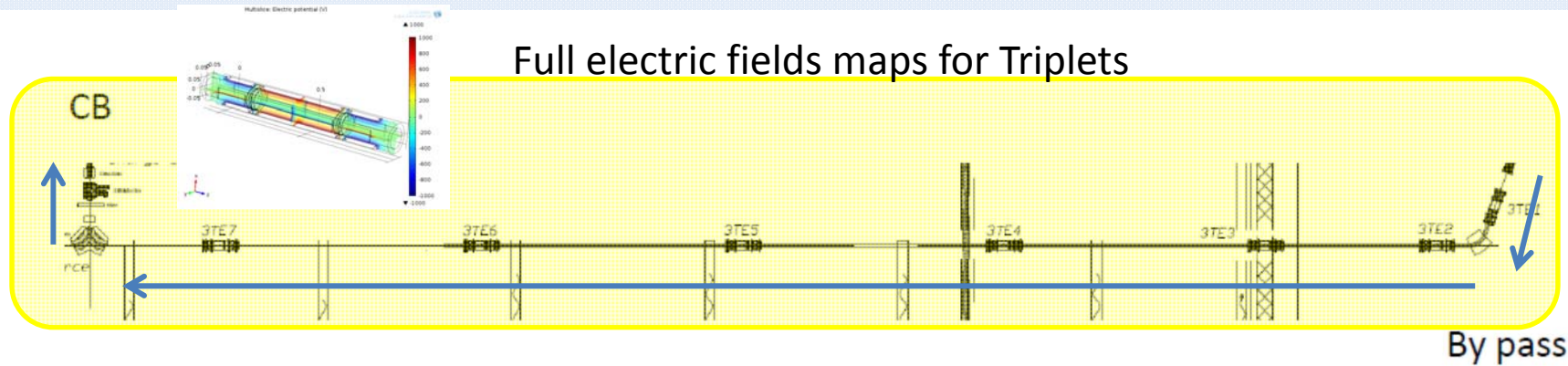
# Beam preparation for RNB-acceleration



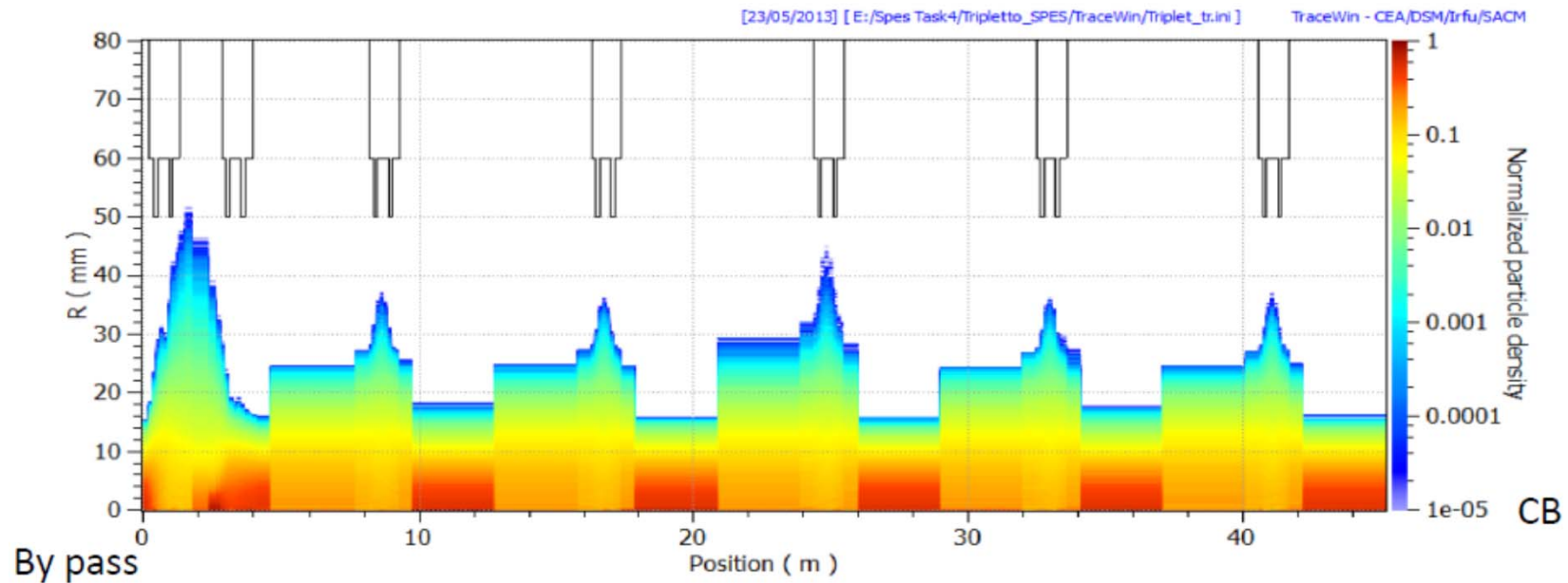
**Transport Line to the Charge Breeder:** a long line with electrostatic triplets links the new building to the stage of ch. state boosting, mass selection, RFQ injector and ALPI...

# Transport line to the Charge Breeder

Full electric fields maps for Triplets



By pass



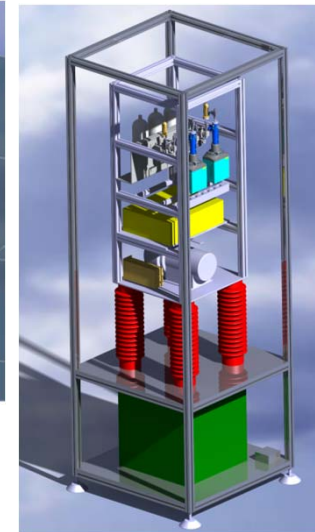
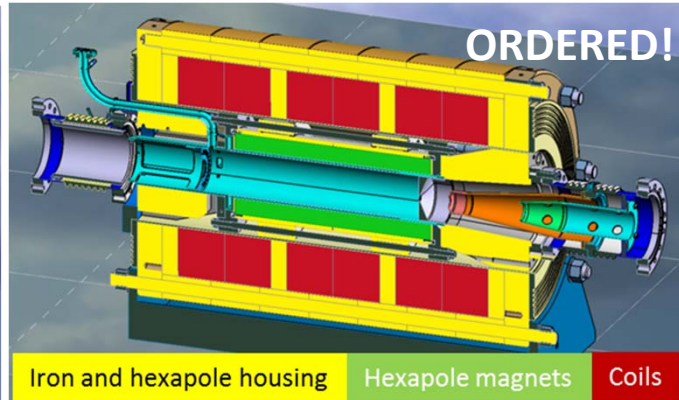
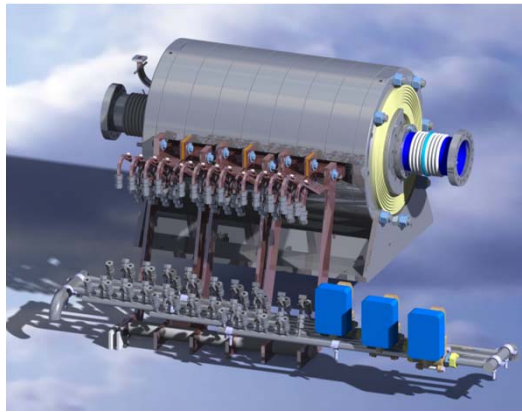
By pass





# ECR-type Charge Breeder

- Developed by LPSC (linked to LEA-COLLIGA coll.)
- Designed in 2013, approved in June 2014, Delivery: April 2015

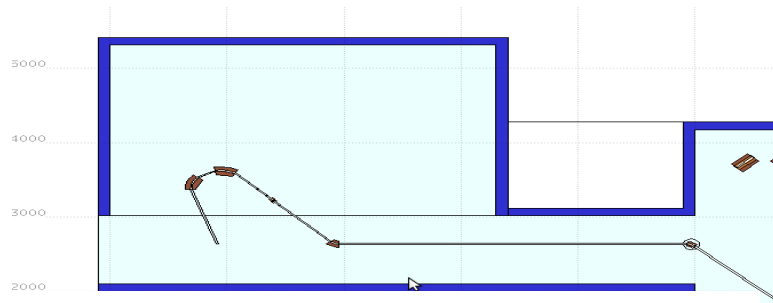


**Delta-V bay:**  
to finely adjust  
CB and 1+  
Source Voltages  
and optimize  
capture of 1+  
beam.

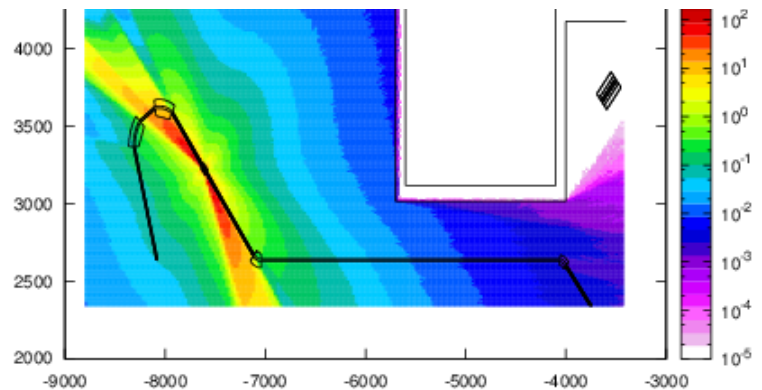
Element	Charge State	Efficiency [%]	CB time [ms]	Global Capture [%]
Ar	8+	16.2	78	75
Xe	20+	10.9	252	80
Rb	17+	7.5	226	55
Sn	21+	6.3	200	-

# RIB transport

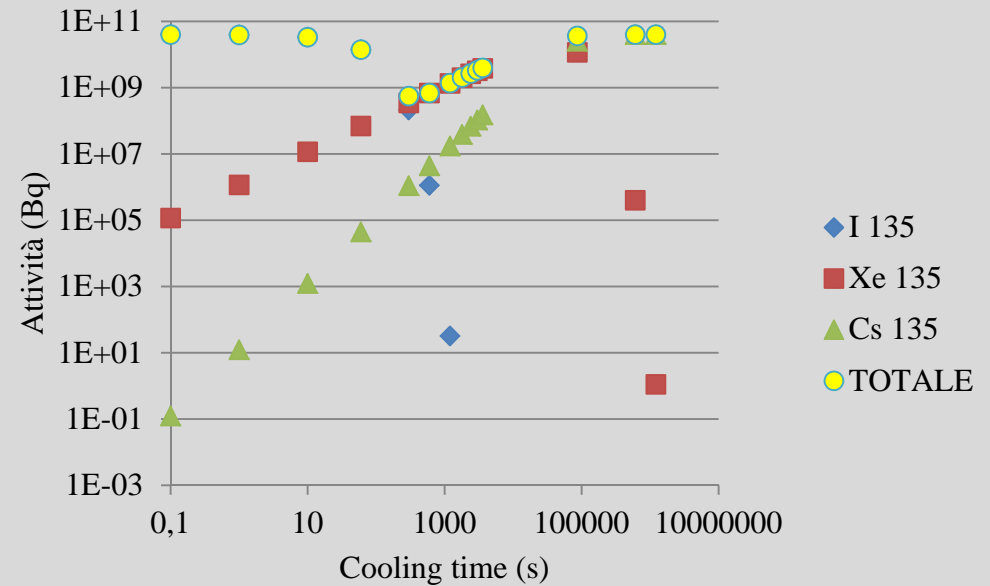
Dose rates evaluation in proximity of the beam line to **avoid overexposure of the accessing personnel**



Dose rate distribution (arb. units) – MC simulations



Radioactivity build up in the charge breeder for selected beams of interest in order to plan **hands-on maintenance**



Radioactivity build up – analytical evaluation

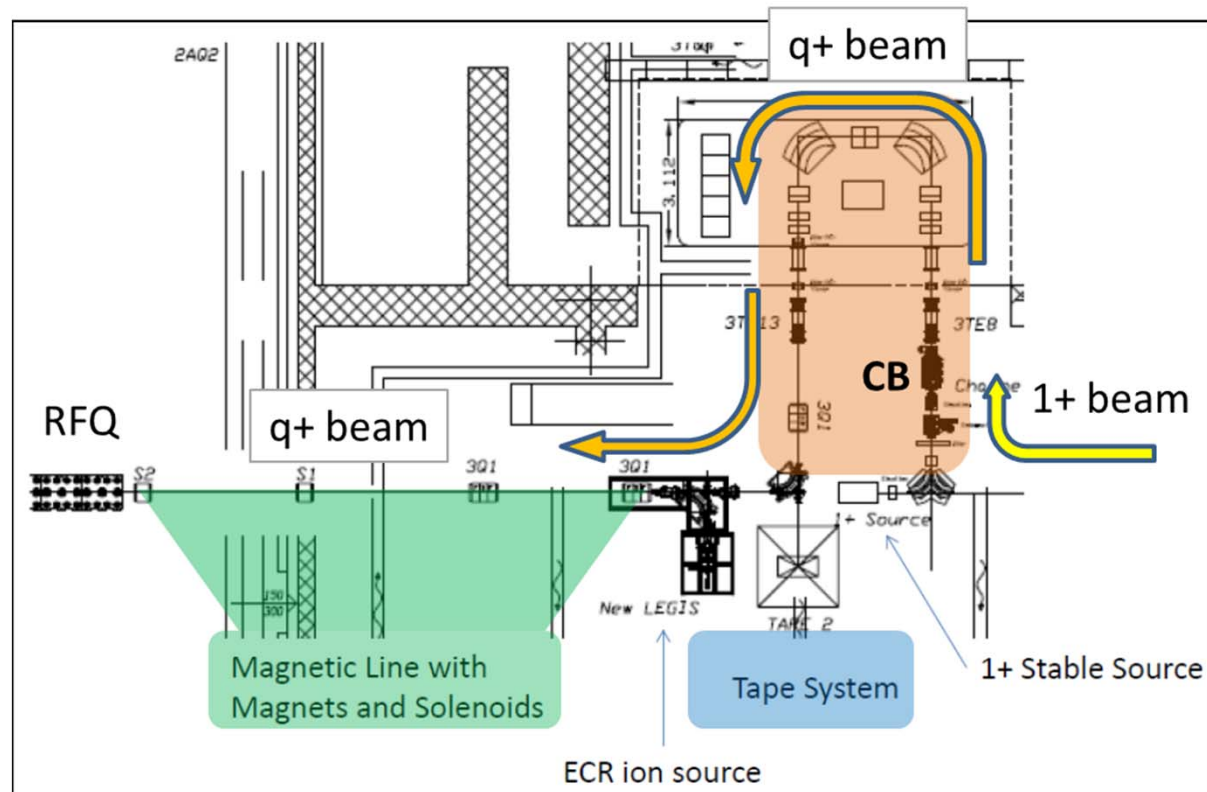
# Charge Breeder Contaminants

isotope	element	Mass	abundance (%)	M/q															
				1+	2+	3+	4+	5+	6+	7+	8+	10+	11+	12+	13+	14+	15+	16+	
12	C	12.000	98.9	12.000	6.000	4.000	3.000	2.400	2.000										
13	C	13.003	1.1	13.003	6.502	4.334	3.251	2.601	2.167										
14	N	14.003	100	14.003	7.002	4.668	3.501	2.801	2.334	2.000									
15	N	15.000	0.366	15.000	7.500	5.000	3.750	3.000	2.500	2.143									
16	O	15.995	99.762	15.995	7.997	5.332	3.999	3.199	2.666	2.285	1.999								
17	O	16.999	0.038	16.999	8.500	5.666	4.250	3.400	2.833	2.428	2.125								
18	O	17.999	0.2	17.999	9.000	6.000	4.500	3.600	3.000	2.571	2.250								
36	Ar	36.968	0.337	36.968	18.484	12.323	9.242	7.394	6.161	5.281	4.621								
40	Ar	39.962	99.6	39.962	19.981	13.321	9.991	7.992	6.660	5.709	4.995								
78	Kr	77.920	0.35									7.792	7.084	6.493	5.994	5.566	5.195	4.870	
80	Kr	79.916	2.25									7.992	7.265	6.660	6.147	5.708	5.328	4.995	
82	Kr	81.913	11.6									8.191	7.447	6.826	6.301	5.851	5.461	5.120	
83	Kr	82.914	11.5									8.291	7.538	6.910	6.378	5.922	5.528	5.182	
84	Kr	83.912	57									8.391	7.628	6.993	6.455	5.994	5.594	5.244	
86	Kr	85.911	17.3									8.591	7.810	7.159	6.609	6.136	5.727	5.369	

Main contaminants of the RNB delivered by the charge breeder are C, N and O:  $\Delta M/M$  of a Medium Resolution Mass Separator (MRMS) to separate contaminants  $\sim 1/1000$ .



# CB and Medium Resolution Mass Spectrometer, Injection into the RFQ



- A Tape System after the MRMS: RNB identification
- After L-bend: magnetostatic triplets (future stable beam)
- **Beam Optics of the MRMS (...)**

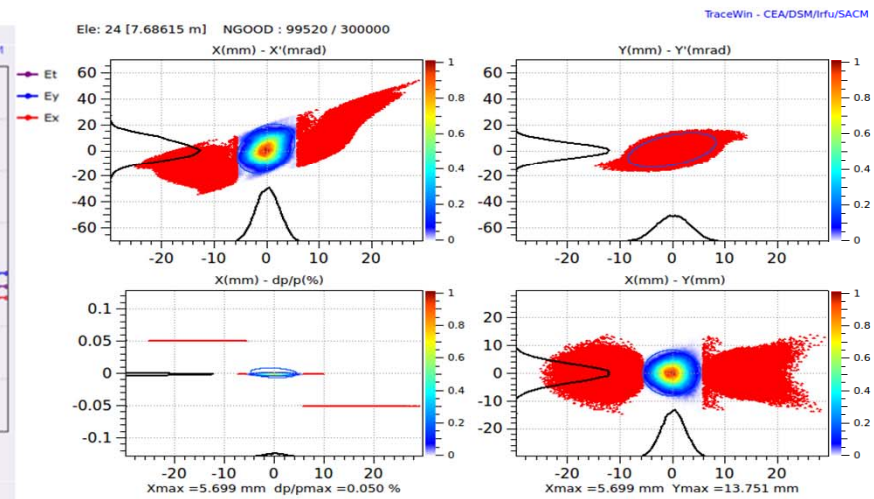
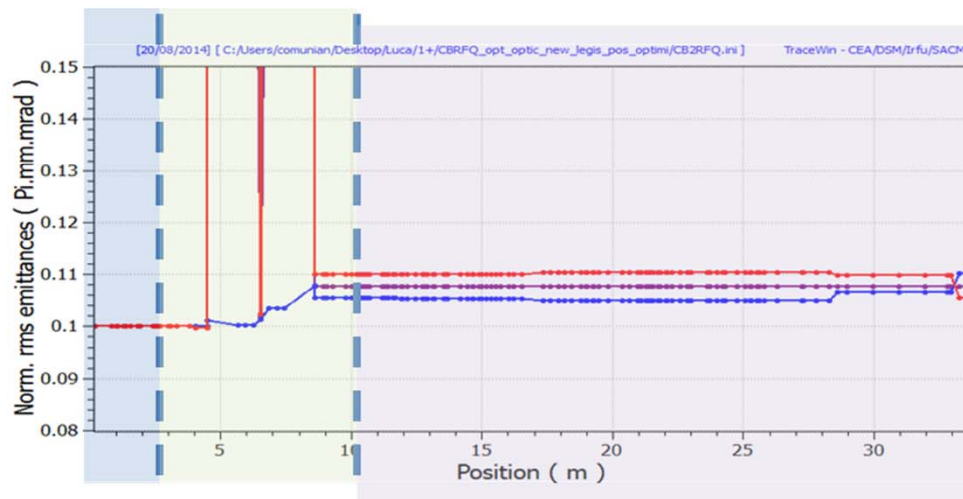
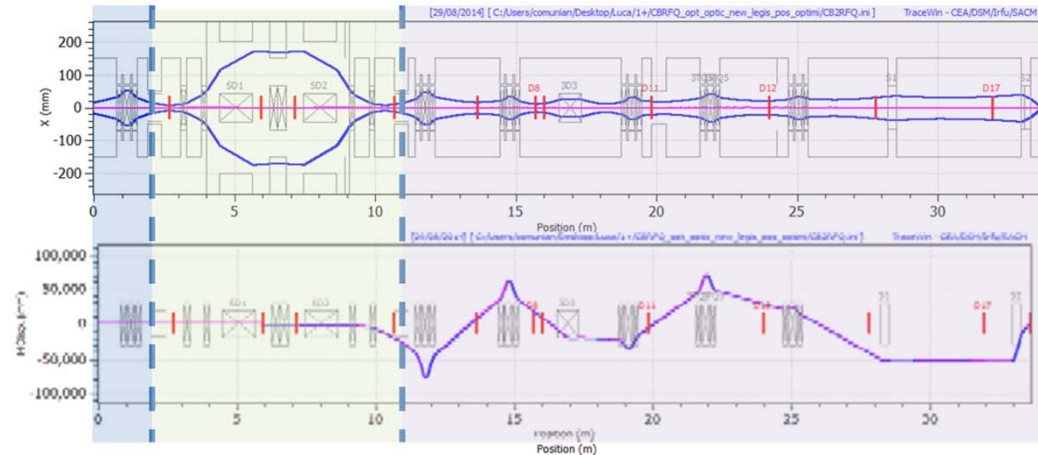
# Beam Optics from CB to RFQ

$E_x$ ,  $D_x$  and  $\varepsilon_{(x,y),n}$ :

from the CB,

through the MRMS,

to the RFQ



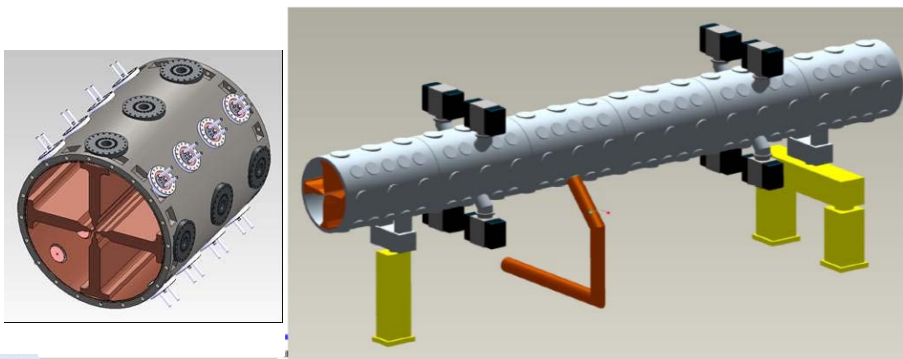
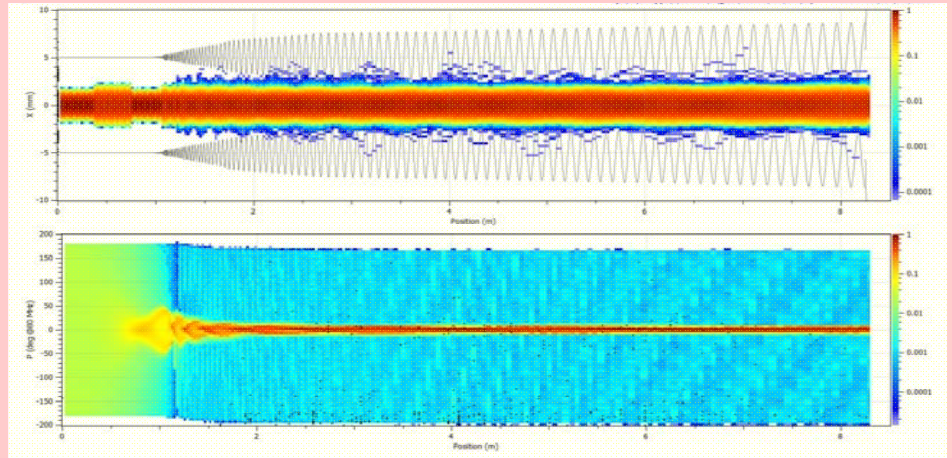
**Error study** on quad position, angle, gradient; input energy, position

→ **7% beam loss**, after the RFQ

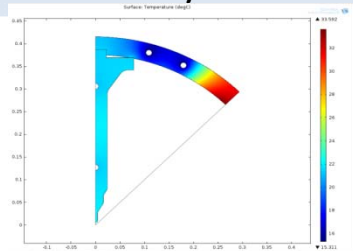
# New RFQ Injector for ALPI

(7 m, 7 modules)

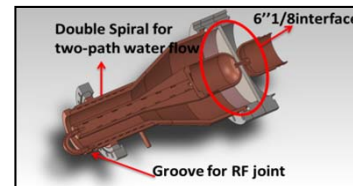
- **Energy 5.7 → 727.3 keV/A** [ $\beta=0.0395$ ] ( $A/q=7$ )
- **Beam transmission >93%** for  $A/q=3 \div 7$
- **RF power (four vanes) 100 kW** ( $f=80$  MHz)
- **Mechanical design** and realization, similar to the Spiral2 one, takes advantage of IFMIF experience (LNL, INFN\_Pd, Bo, To) **for up to 1 mA**



Mechanical layout of the RFQ tank module ( $\approx 1$  m)



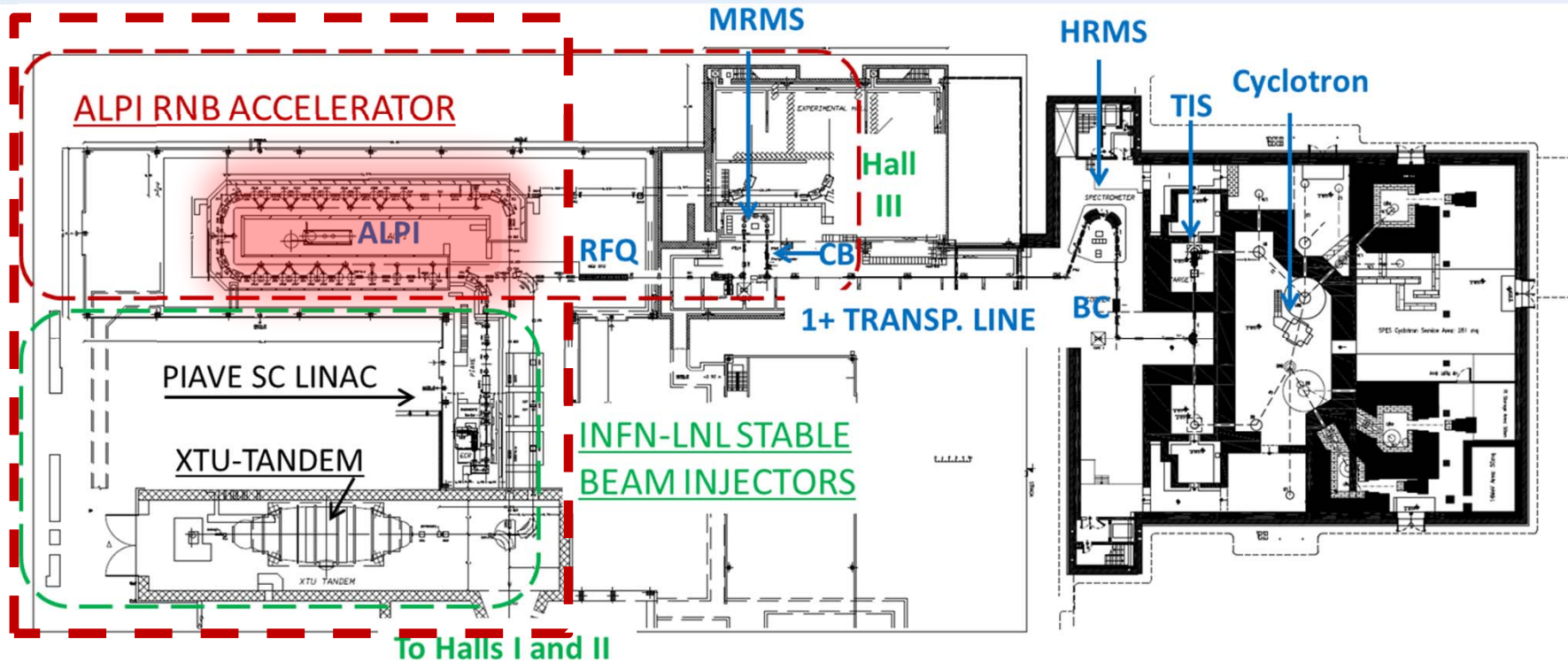
Temperature,  
Deformation,  
Heat plots



200 kW tetrode **RF amplifier** (175 MHz) available from IFMIF test bench, with f-tuning of the cavity ( $\rightarrow 80$  MHz); 200 kW **Power Coupler** developed

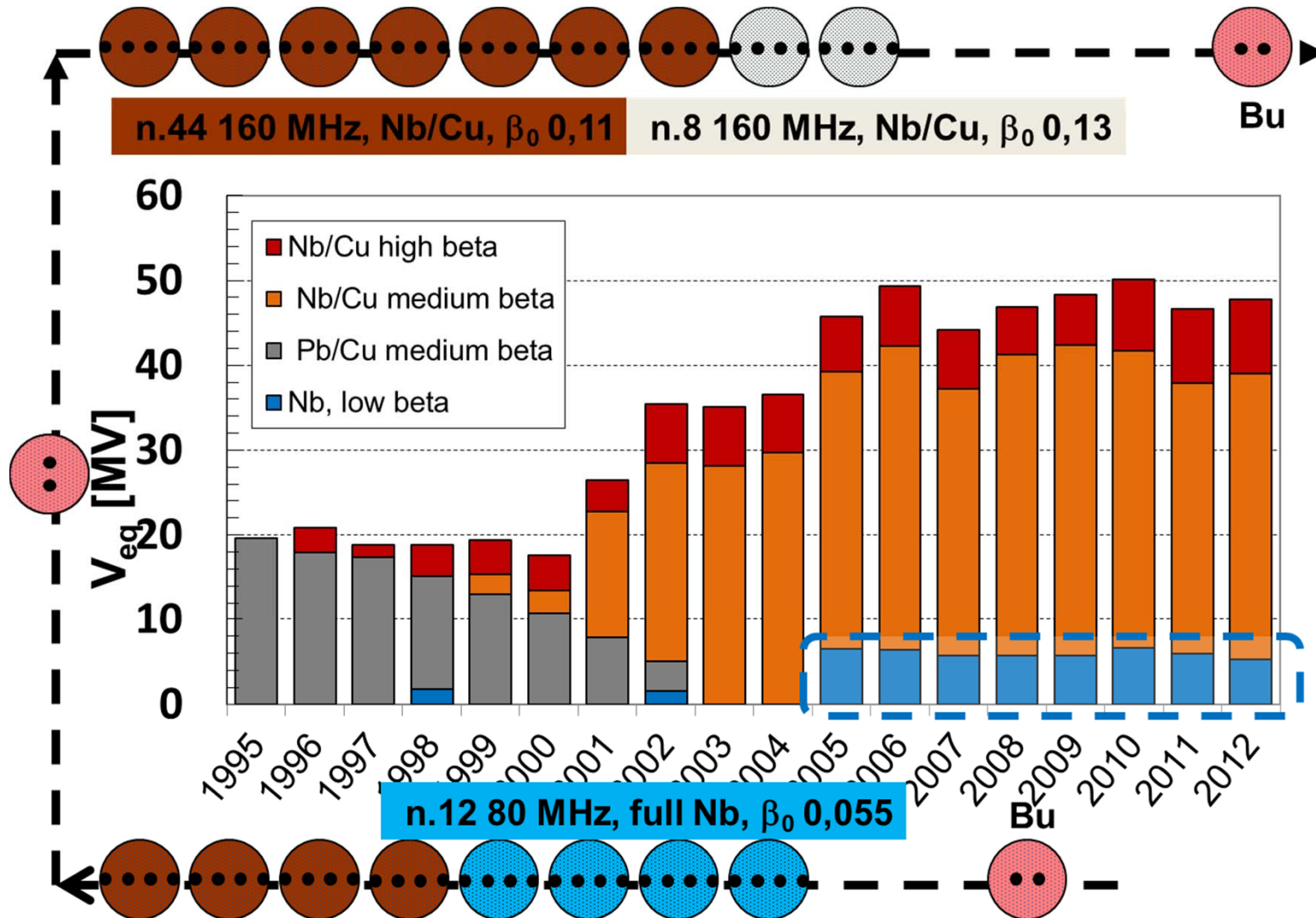


# ALPI Upgrades for exotic and stable beams

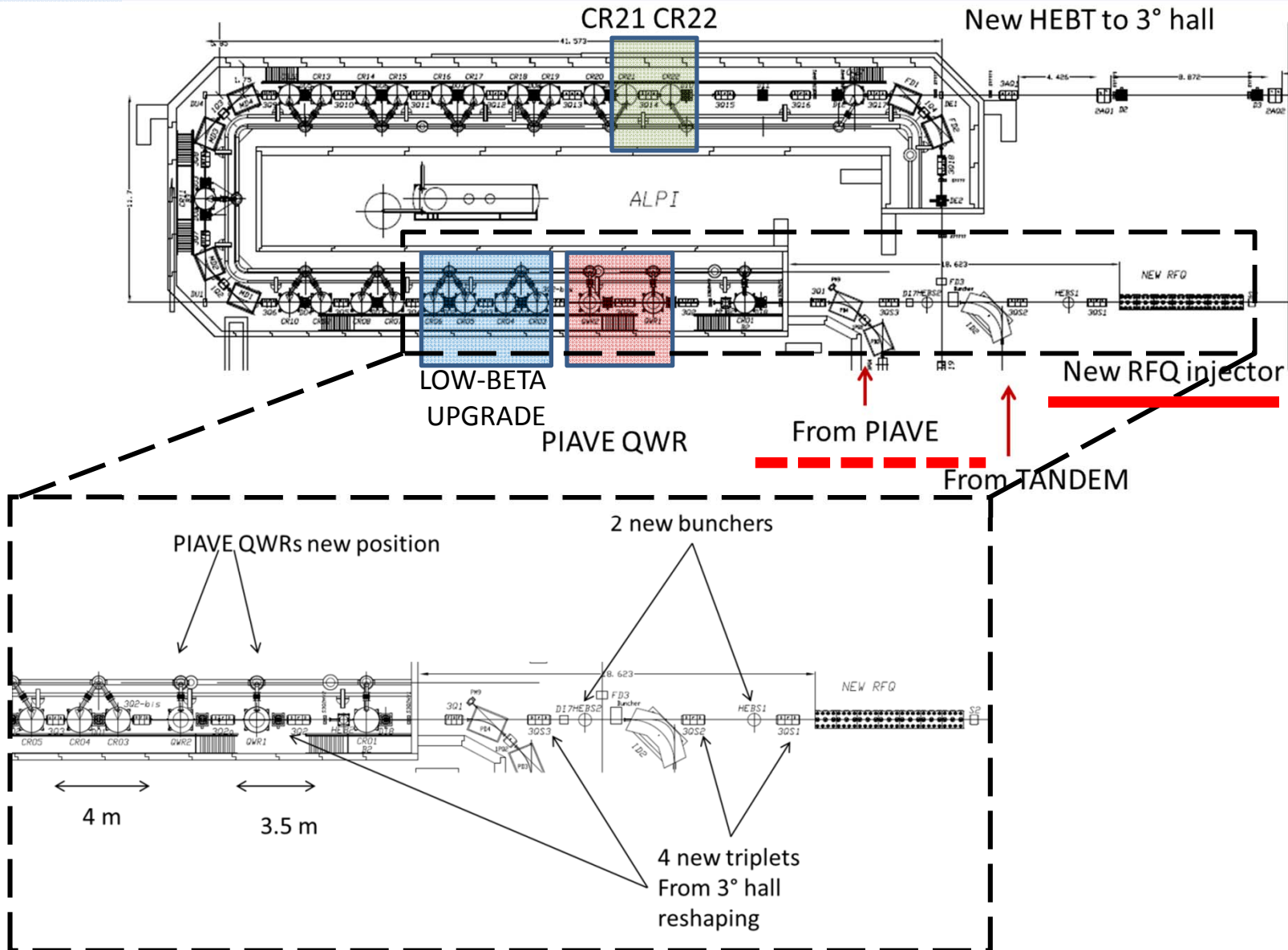


1. higher beam **energies** (more and better working cavities);
2. improved beam transmission (**current**)
3. Improved **reliability** (cryogenics upgrade)

# ALPI $V_{eq}$ increase

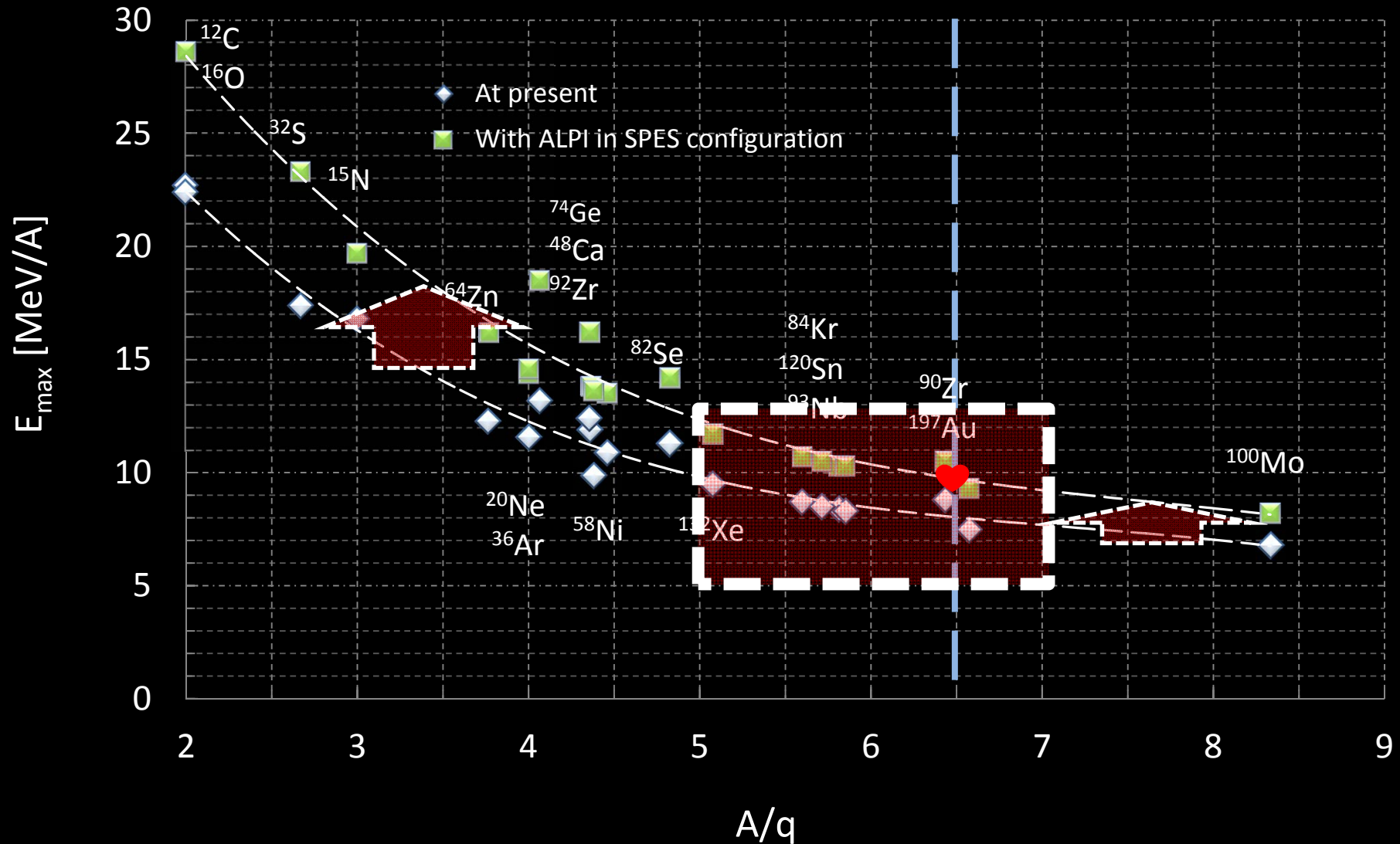


# SC Resonator Improvements on ALPI

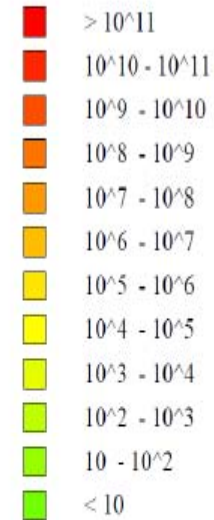
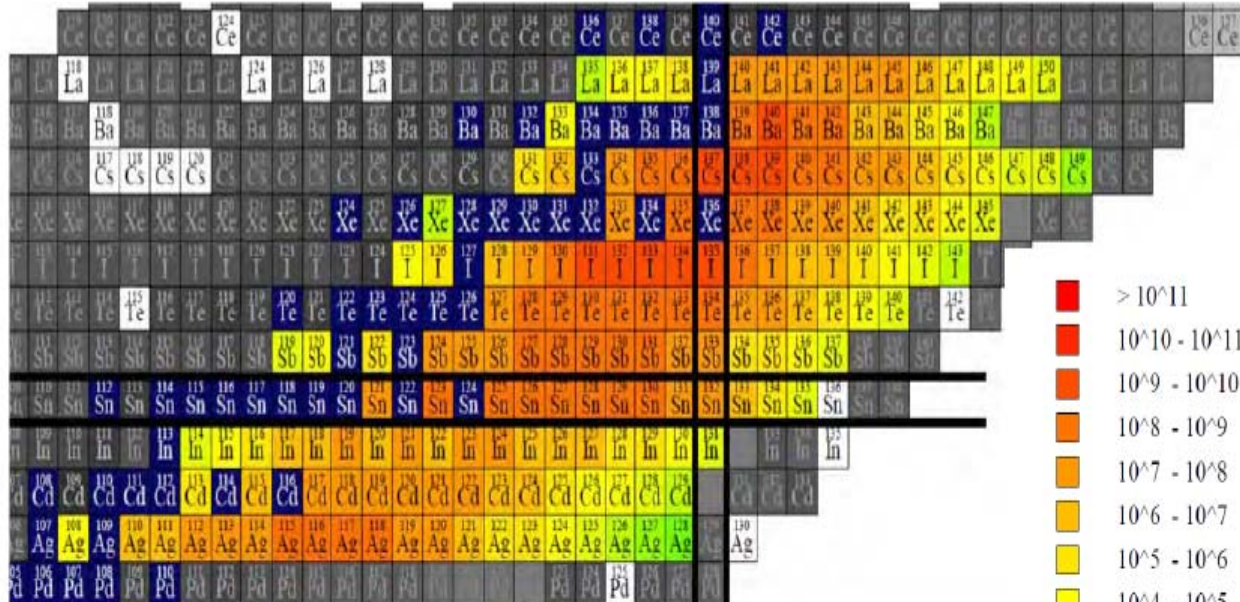




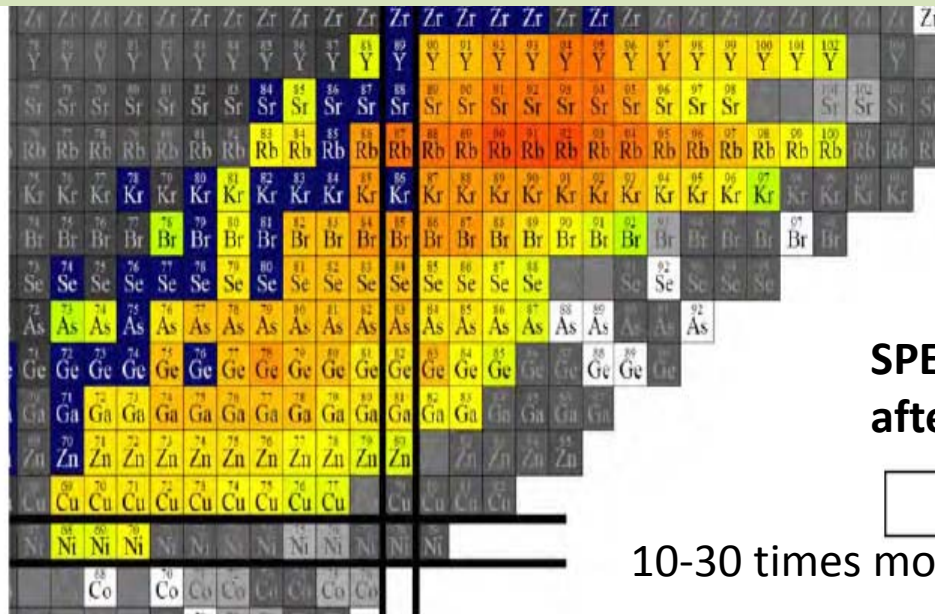
# Effect of the E-upgrade on stable beams



# SPES beams (Ni → La, A=60→150)



From Zr to Pd not extracted with ISOL due to bad volatility

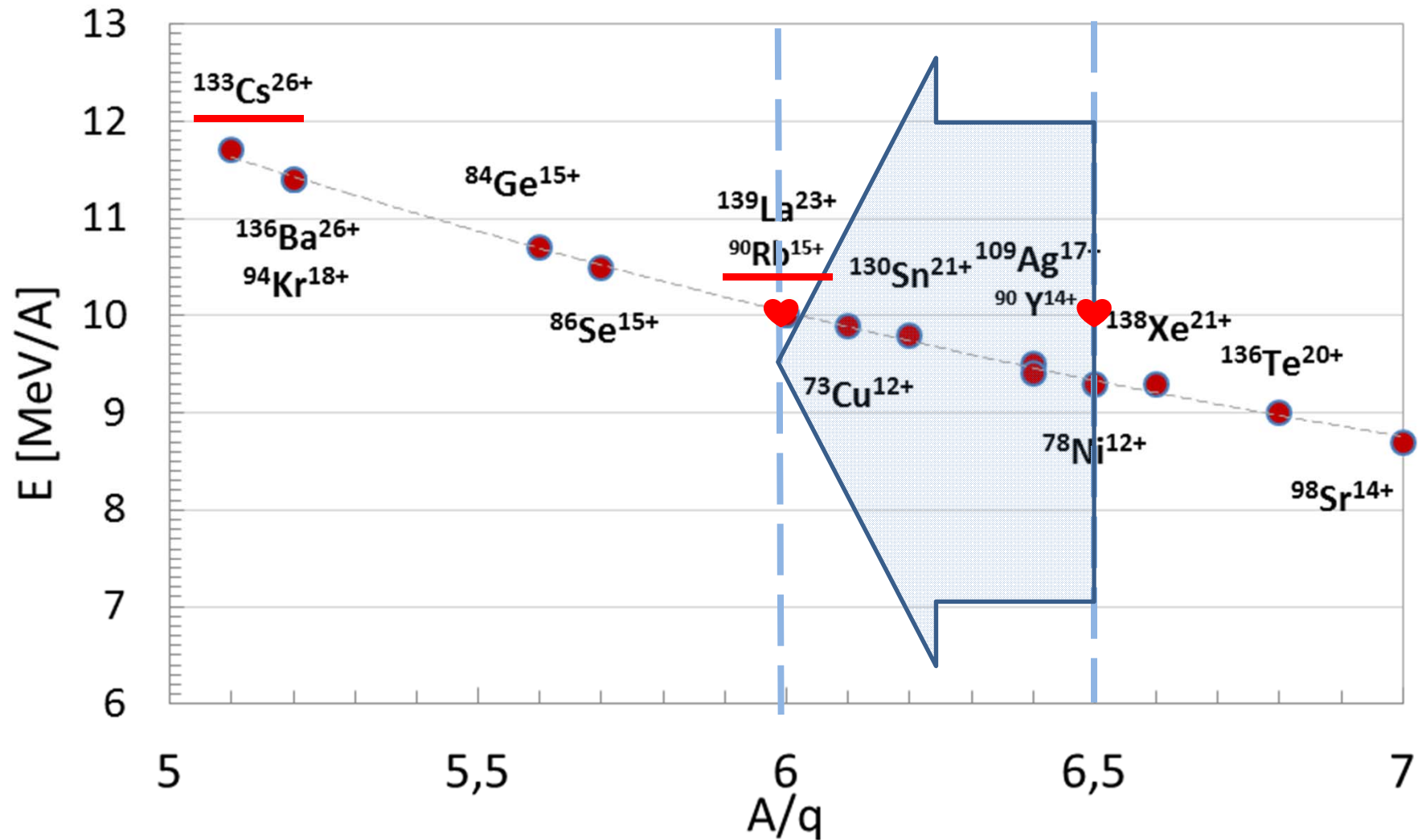


SPES beam intensities (*fission UCx*)  
after re-acceleration (q+)

Courtesy of T. Marchi

10-30 times more intense before acceleration (1+)

# Final Energy of Exotic Beams





# What about beam transmission...?

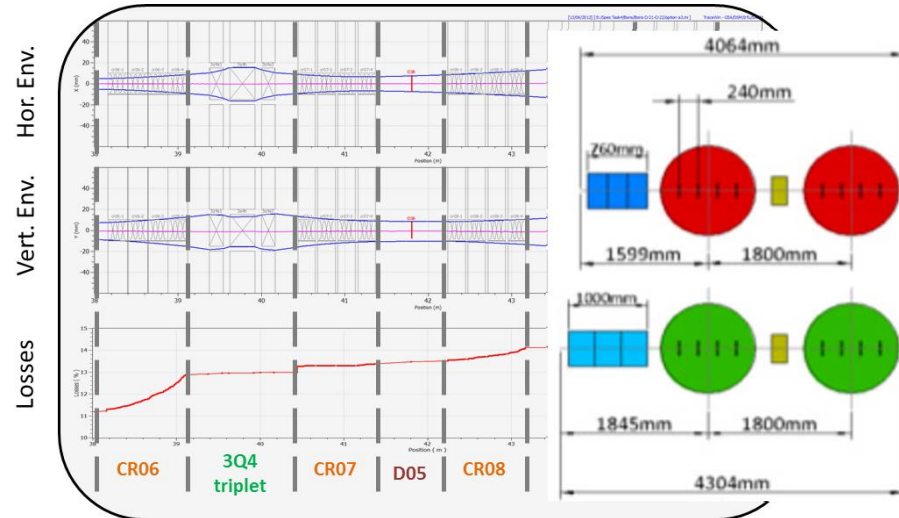
At present only  $\leq 50\%$  for mid-A beams

ALPI lattice designed for  $E_a = 3$  MV/m (now **4,5÷6,5**) → **intrinsic losses** (longitudinal phase space)

- *Higher gradient quadrupole triplets*

Imperfect alignment, rough definition of resonator phases, ... → **additional losses**, which can be minimized by:

- *Better linac alignment* (done!) improve beam transmission
- *Better resonator controller* (digital univ.controller, in R&D)



## Laser tracking campaign

Completed in January 2013  
Feb 18-24, 2013: commissioning with **95% transmission**

# Conclusion

- SPES is a national 50 M€ project in the construction phase, 50% funds arrived, 50% are secured
- It will allow n-rich nuclei produced by fission (40 MeV p beam onto a multislice UCx target) to be accelerated to 9-10 MeV/A
- Improvements on ALPI (energy, current, reliability) are required
- «Research and production of radioisotopes for medicine» is an essential partner of Nuclear Science
- Assembly and commissioning is scheduled at present for 2017-2018
- We intend to open shortly 3 positions for young collaborators:
  - ✓ RF engineer for cyclotron and for SC cavity lab tests (mainly on sputtered cavities)
  - ✓ HVAC Engineer
  - ✓ Project Engineer

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST MOSTLY WELCOME!

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# Cyclotron building in progress

