



# Status of R&D and Beam Plans for Low-Impedance Collimators



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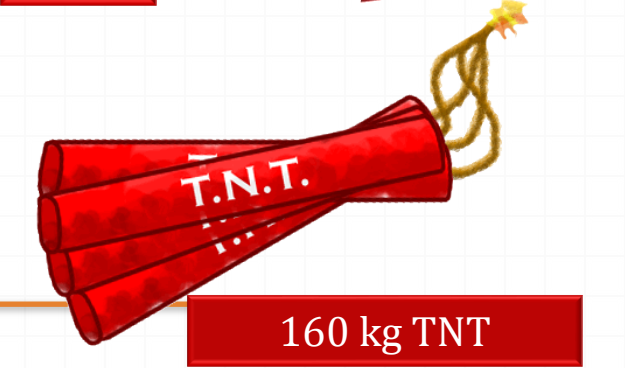
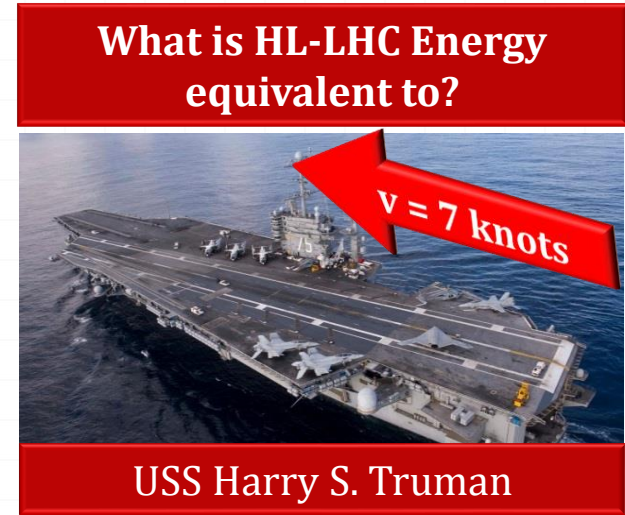
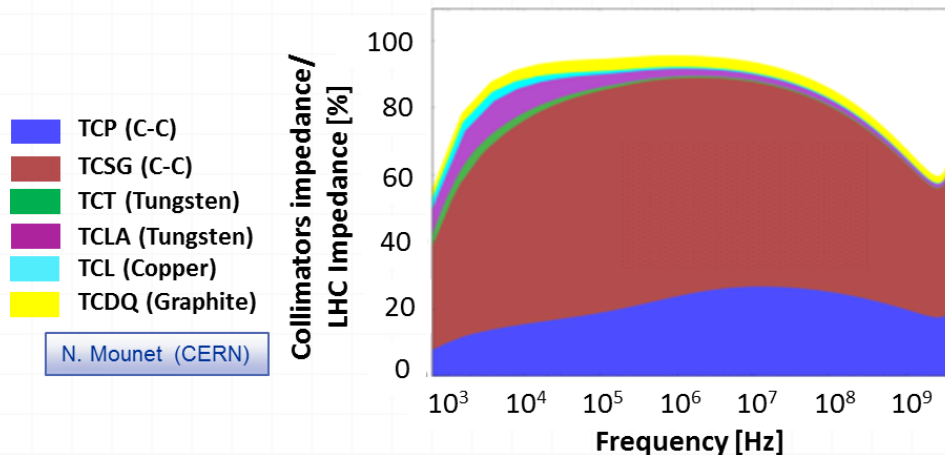


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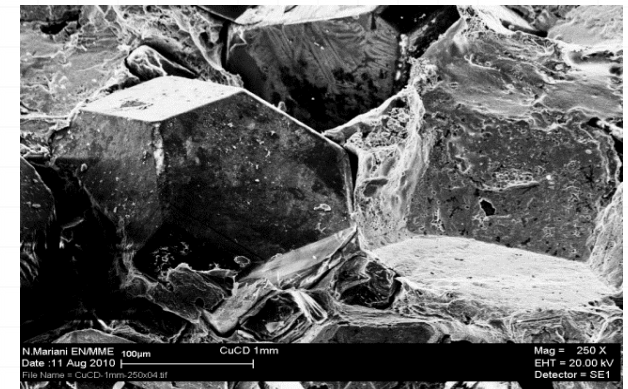


- Future HL-LHC beam will store **unprecedented energy (678 MJ)** released, in case of impact on BIDs, in few **microseconds!**
- Collimator materials must **withstand such energetic beam impacts** as well as **guarantee jaw geometrical stability in standard operation**
- Collimators are also the highest contributors to **machine RF impedance**, which potentially leads to serious instabilities
- Resistive-wall impedance is decreased by **increasing the electrical conductivity** of jaw materials
- Further material requirements include **radiation hardness, UHV compatibility, industrial feasibility, machinability**





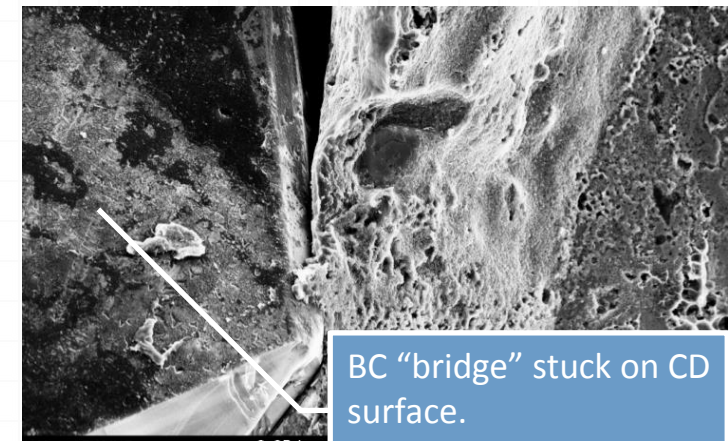
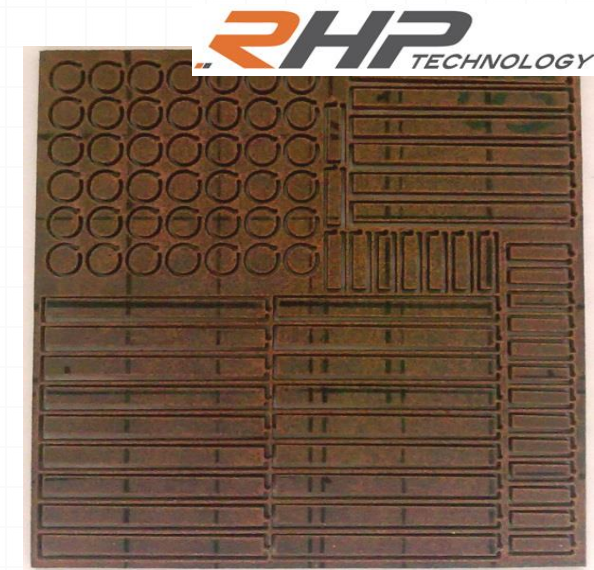
- Extensive **R&D program** launched at CERN in partnership with industries and other institutions
- Aim: explore/develop composites combining the properties of **graphite or diamond (low  $\rho$ , high  $\lambda$ , low  $\alpha$ )** with those of **metals and transition metal-based ceramics (high  $R_M$ , good  $\gamma$ )**
- Amongst many investigated materials, most interesting are **Copper-Diamond** and **Molybdenum Carbide-Graphite**
- Production techniques include Rapid Hot Pressing, Liquid Phase Sintering and Liquid Infiltration



# Copper-Diamond

- Developed by **RHP-Technology** (Austria)

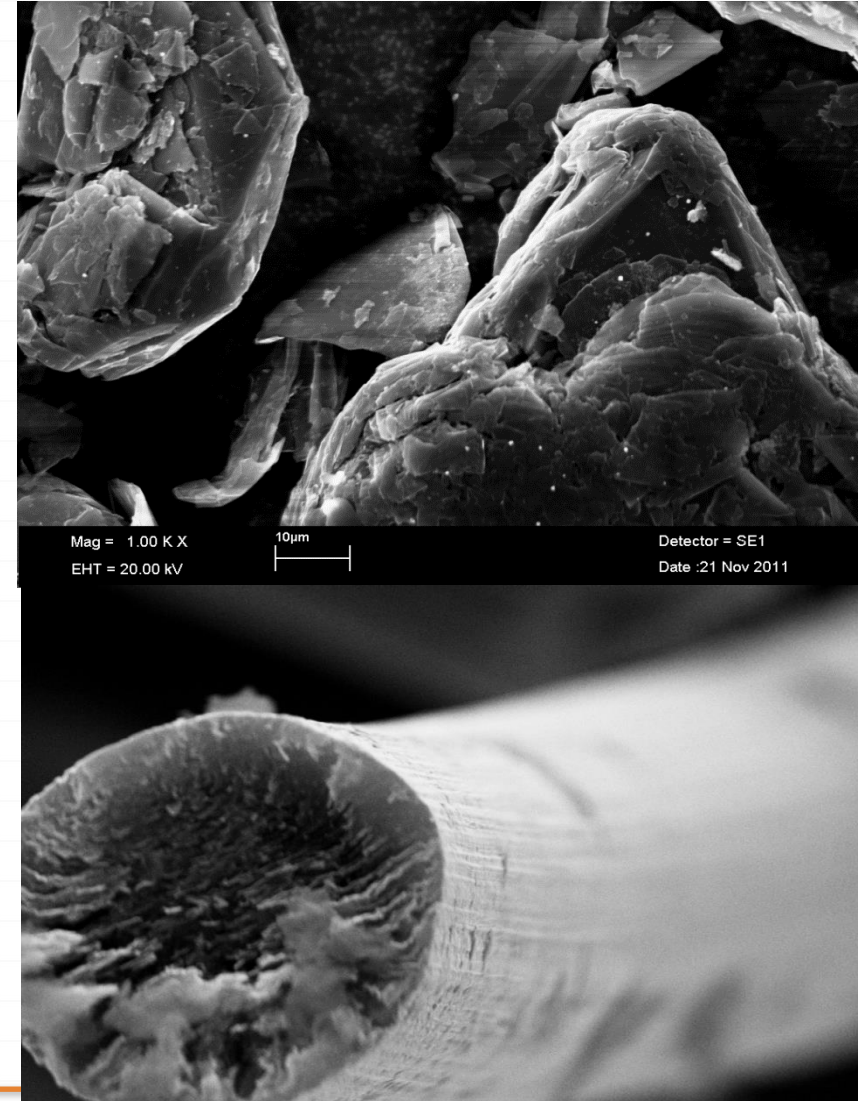
- Composition :
  - 60%v diamonds (90% 100  $\mu\text{m}$ , 10% 45  $\mu\text{m}$ )
  - 39%v Cu powder (45  $\mu\text{m}$ )
  - 1%v B powder (5  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- No diamond degradation
    - Thermal ( $\sim 490 \text{ Wm}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ ) and electrical conductivity ( $\sim 12.6 \text{ MSm}^{-1}$ )
  - No direct interface between Cu and CD (lack of affinity) impairs mechanical strength. Issue partly offset by limited bonding assured by Boron Carbide ( $\sim 120 \text{ MPa}$ )
  - Cu low melting point ( $1083 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )
    - CTE increases significantly with T due to high Cu content (from  $\sim 6 \text{ ppmK}^{-1}$  at RT up to  $\sim 12 \text{ ppmK}^{-1}$  at  $900 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )

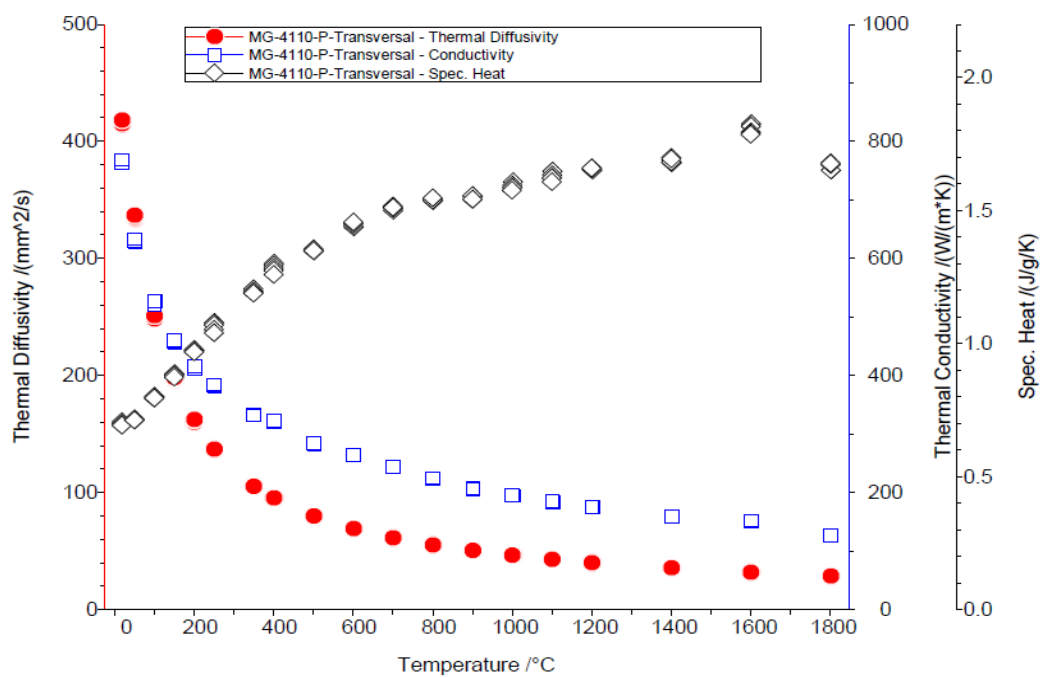


BC "bridge" stuck on CD surface.  
No CD graphitization

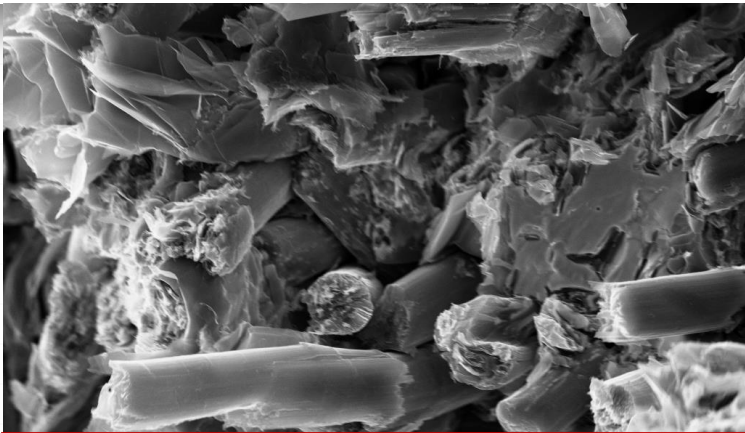
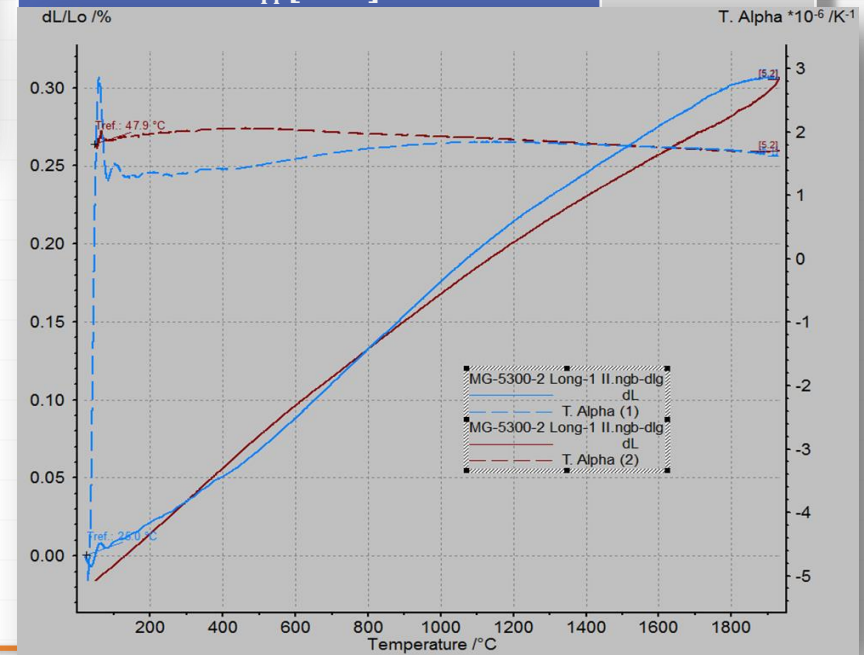


- Co-developed by CERN and Brevetti Bizz (Italy)
- Broad range of processes and compositions investigated (Molybdenum, Natural Graphite, pitch-based Carbon Fibers)
- **Why Molybdenum?**
  - Refractory metal
  - Density lower than Tungsten
- **Why Natural Graphite?**
  - Low CTE (along basal plane)
  - High Thermal Conductivity (along basal plane)
  - Low Density
  - Very High Service Temperatures
  - High Shockwave Damping
  - Low cost
- **Why Mesophase Pitch-based Carbon Fibres?**
  - Increase mechanical strength
  - Contribute to Thermal Conductivity (highly ordered structure)

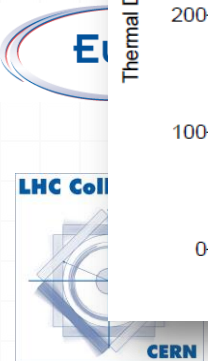




$\rho$ [g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]	2.5
$\alpha_{\perp}$ (RT to 1000° C) [10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> ]	<1.8
$\alpha_{//}$ (RT to 1000° C) [10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> ]	12
$\lambda_{\perp}$ (RT) [W/mK]	>770
$\lambda_{//}$ (RT) [W/mK]	85
$\gamma_{\perp}$ (RT) [MS/m]	1÷18
$\gamma_{//}$ (RT) [MS/m]	0.3
E (Flexural) [GPa]	53
R <sub>F1</sub> [MPa]	85

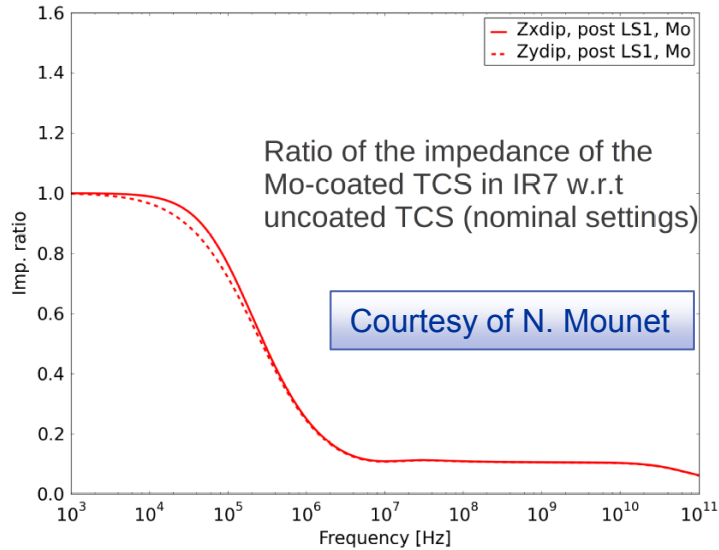


Fracture surface of MoGr with fibres

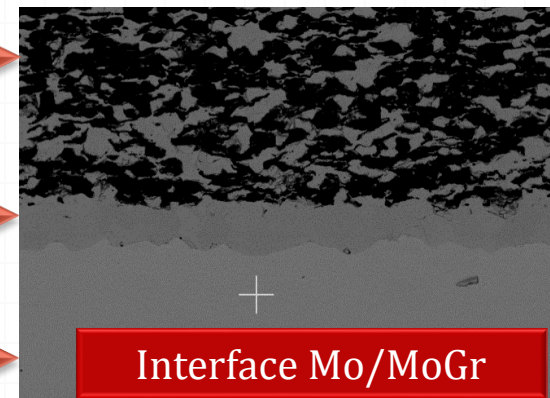
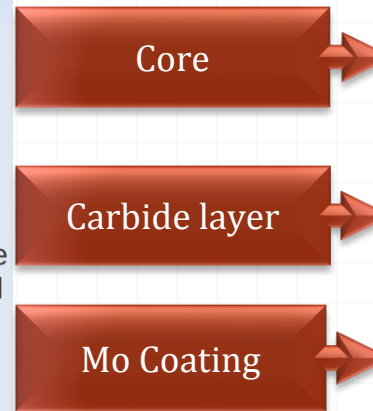




- Electrical conductivity ( $\gamma$ ): **1 order of magnitude higher than CFC**
- Coating with **chemically-affine material** to further increase  $\gamma$  by another order of magnitude
- **Factor 100 in electrical conductivity  $\rightarrow$  factor 10 in impedance reduction of the LHC collimators!**



$\Rightarrow$  Impedance of these collimators decreased by a factor **10**.

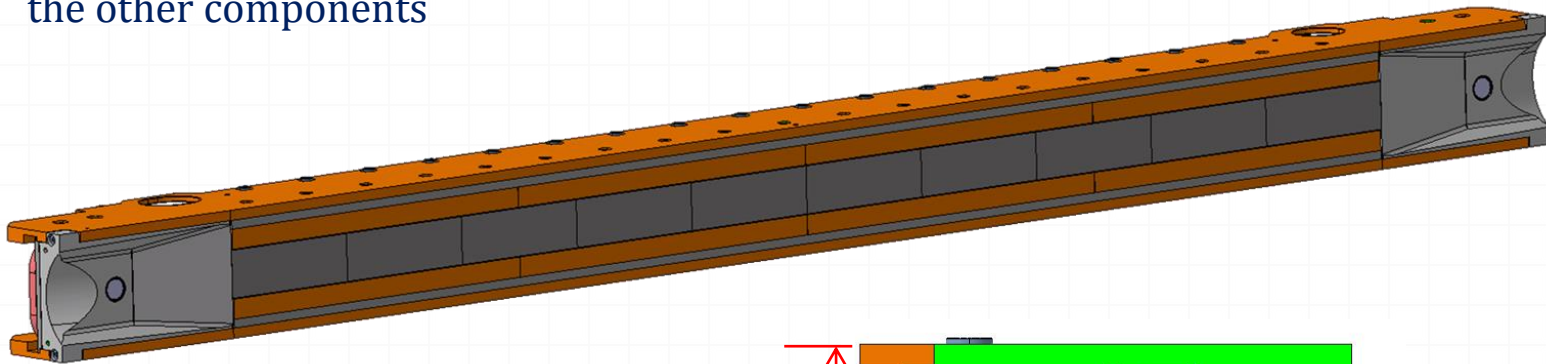


- **Mo coating:** promising in terms of  $\gamma$  and chemical affinity
- R&D ongoing on **low-Z, high- $\gamma$ , refractory layers** to boost the coating resistance to particle beam impacts

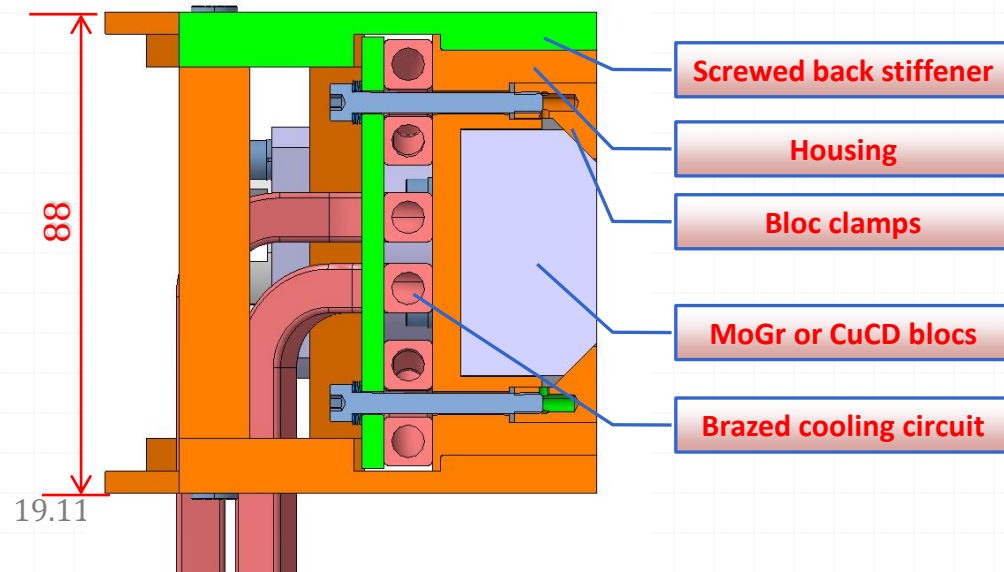
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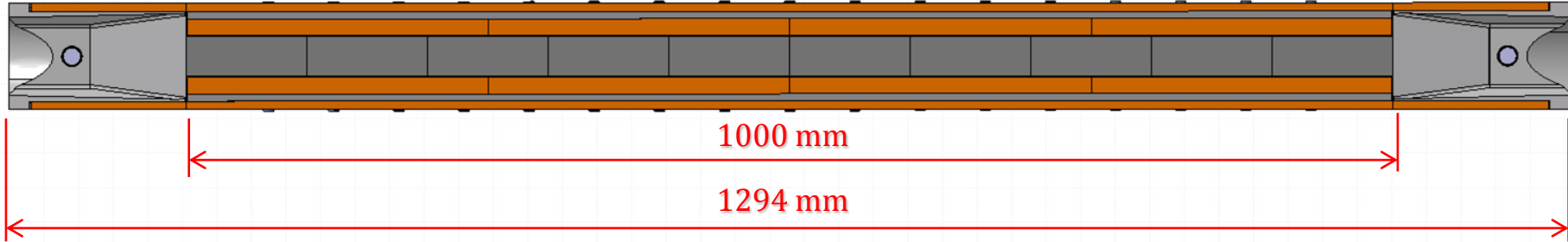
- **Main objective: install a new low-impedance secondary collimator prototype (TCSPM) in the LHC in early 2016**
- New design studied: the active jaw can be made of CuCD or MoGr without any modification to the other components



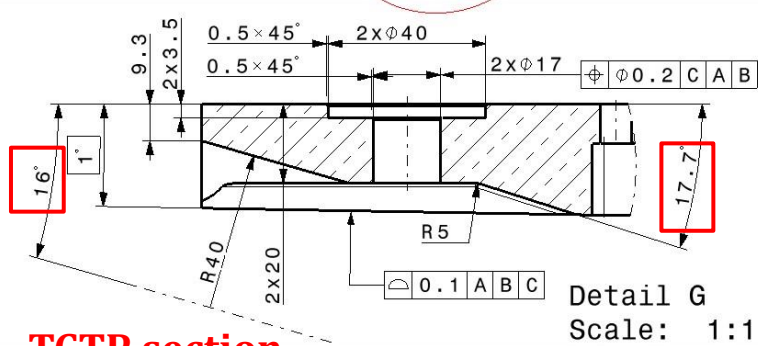
- **1m active jaw made of 10 composite blocs**
- **Clamped solution** to avoid stress concentration on the material, allowing sliding between components with different CTE
- **Brazed cooling circuit**
- **Screwed stiffener** to increase the geometrical stability of the jaw



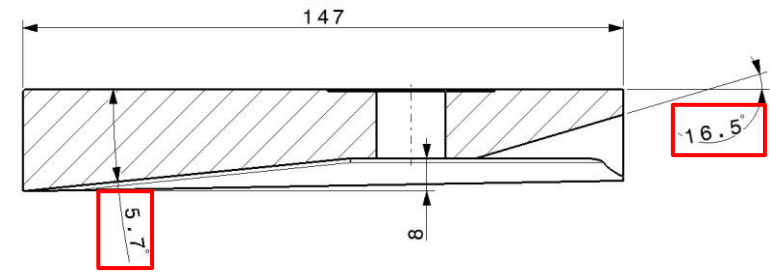




- Jaw 100 mm longer than TCSP, allowing a reduction of the tapering angle to **further decrease the collimator impedance**
- The tapering will also be made of a novel composite, to **increase its robustness to particle beam impact**

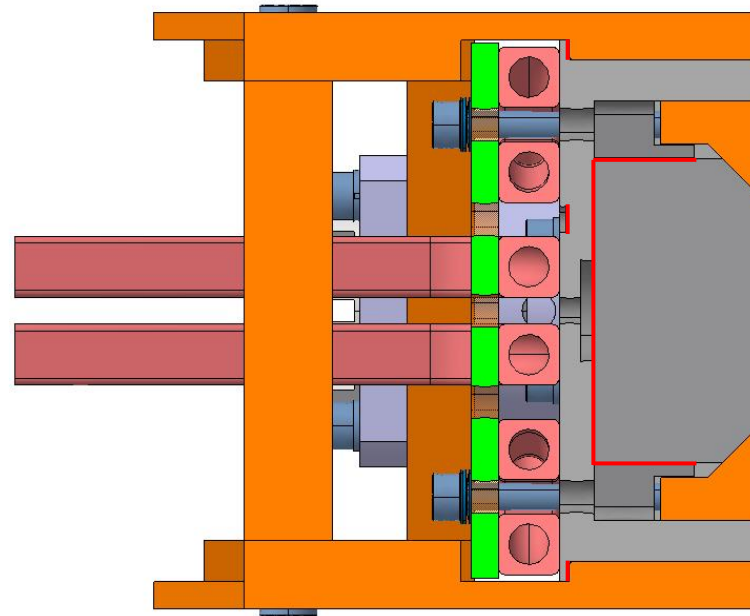


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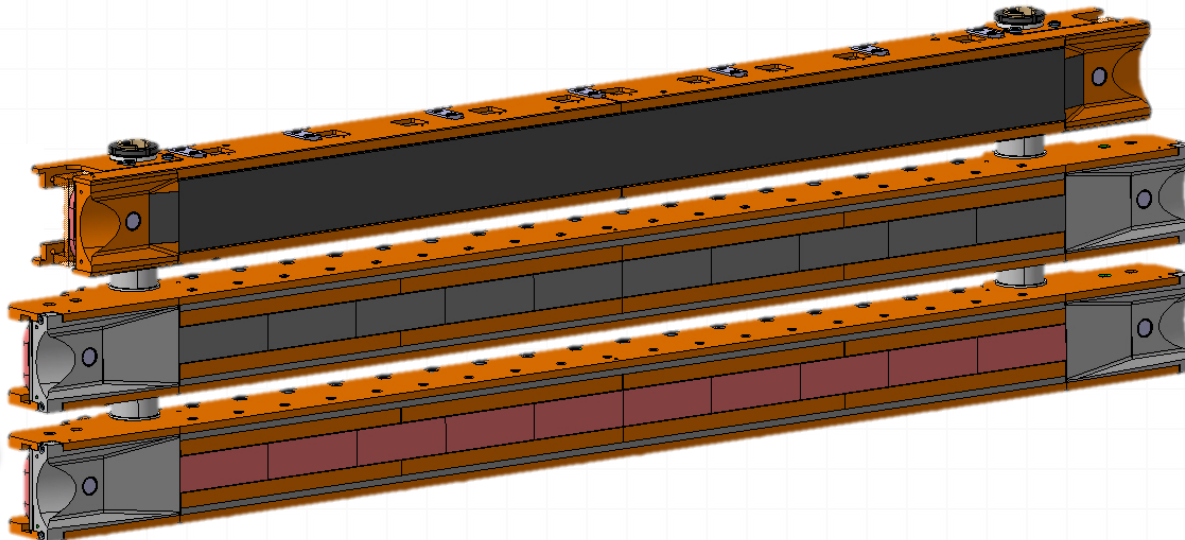
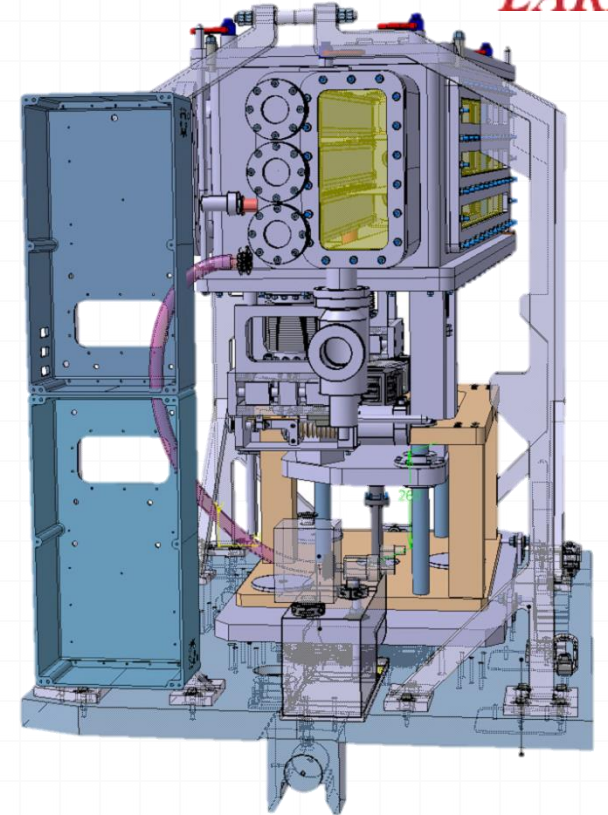
- The final choice of the active jaw material can be made only after a **robustness test** against particle beam impacts at the **highest possible intensity (ideally HL-LHC beam parameters)**
- With this goal, an experiment named **HRMT-23** will be performed in Spring 2015 in the **HiRadMat facility**
- Other objectives of the experiment include:
  - **Determine damage thresholds** for secondary collimators with BPM buttons (TCSP) and for TCSPM
  - **Acquire online data about response of complete jaws** to beam impact
  - **Assess impact consequences** on jaws components after irradiation
- Approved by the HiRadMat Scientific Committee and recently submitted to the HiRadMat Technical Board



Quick overview of HRMT-23 in the next slides: for more details on this and other future collimation-related tests in HiRadMat (SLAC collimator, MultiMat) please refer to the presentation: **“Planned HiRadMat beam tests on collimation materials”**, F. Carra et al. - WP5/7/14 Session

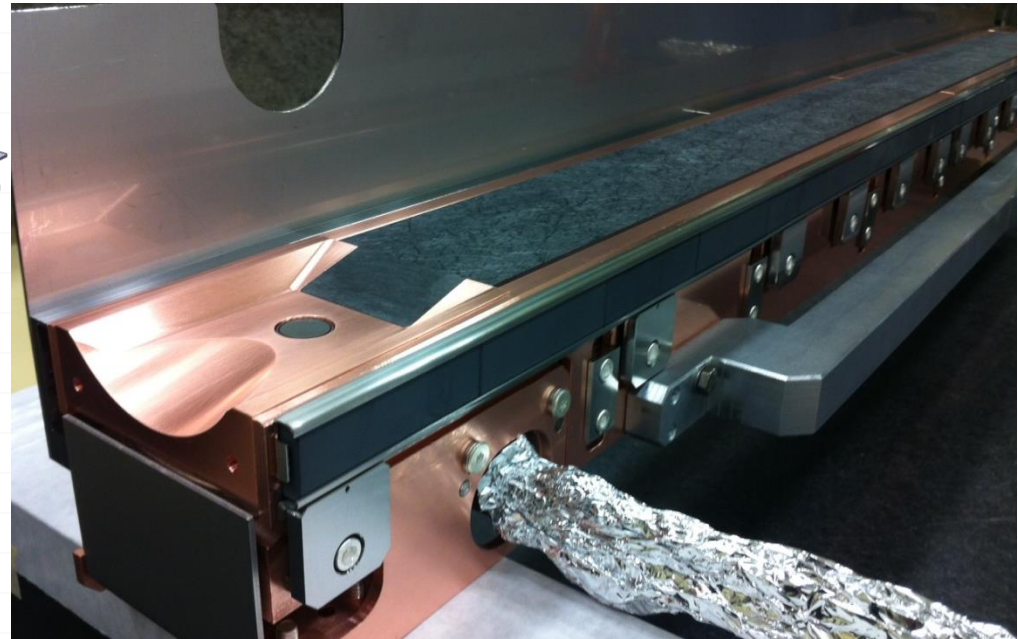
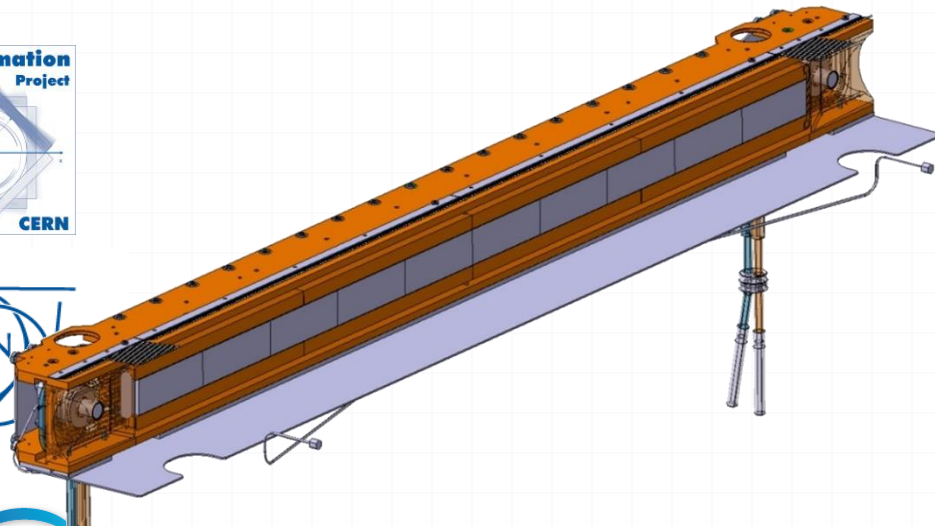
# HRMT-23 Experiment

- 3 separate **complete jaws** extensively instrumented.
- **Stainless steel vacuum vessel** ( $p > 10^{-3}$  mbar). Quick dismantling system to access and manipulate jaws in a glove box. On a standard HiRadMat table
- **Control system** derived from HRMT-14. Horizontal (jaws) and vertical (whole tank) movement enabled.
- Total expected number of protons  $\sim 3e14$  p



Currently envisaged proposal for Jaws:

1. **TCSPM** with 10 **Molybdenum Carbide–Graphite** inserts (some inserts possibly coated)
2. **TCSPM** with 10 **Copper–Diamond** inserts
3. **TCSP jaw**: to verify the resistance of C/C jaw, metallic taperings and BPM buttons to beam injection accident with HL-LHC parameters





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- Bringing LHC beyond nominal performances (HL-LHC) will require a new generation of collimators embarking **novel advanced materials**
- An ambitious R&D program is focusing on the development, simulation and test of such materials: the most promising are **CuCD and MoGr**
- In particular, the use of these composites would decrease the **collimators impedance by a factor of 10**
- A **new collimator design based on these two novel materials** has been studied: thanks to its flexibility, it permits a late choice of the active jaw material
- To provide indications about the material choice, and to validate the proposed design and the simulations performed, a **new experiment called HRMT-23 is scheduled in 2015 in HiRadMat**
- **On the basis of HRMT-23 results, a TCSPM prototype will be built and installed in the LHC in early 2016**





***Thank you for your attention!***

