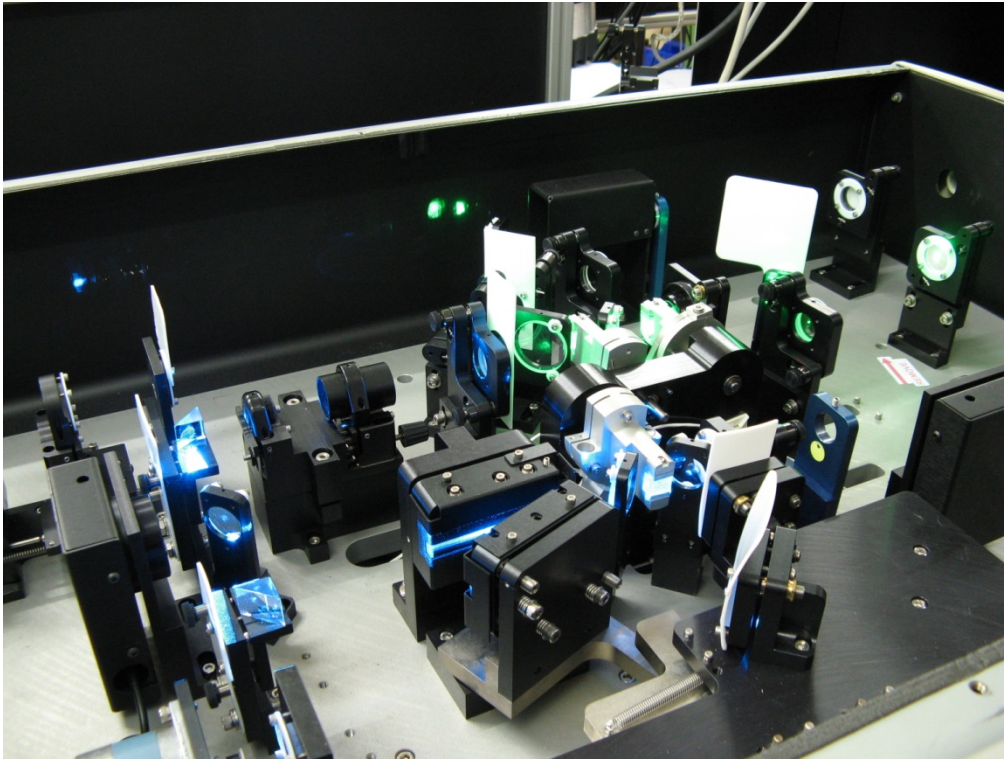
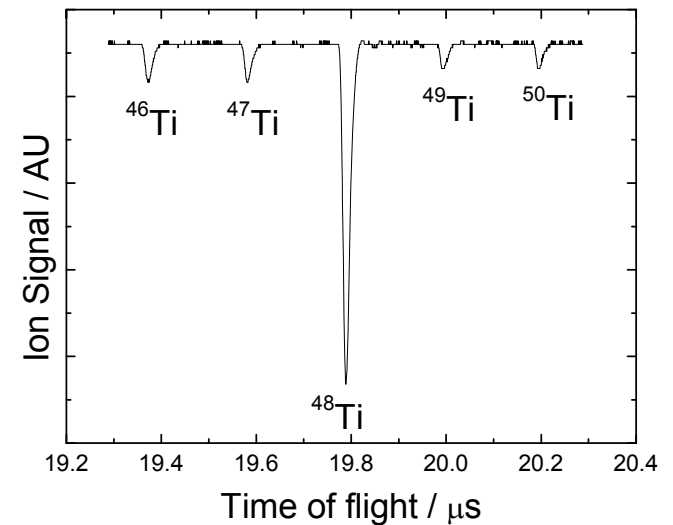
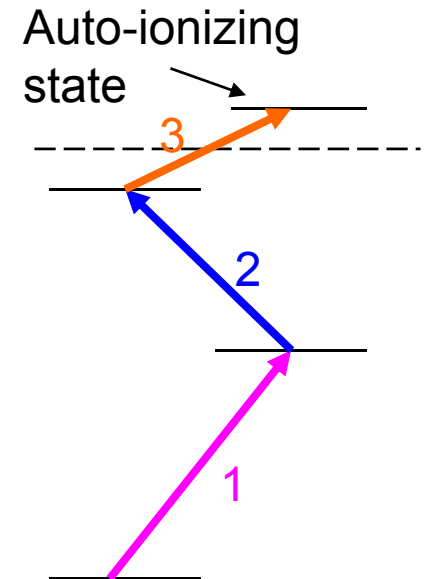


# Update from the LARIS lab



Marica Sjödin

Isolde workshop, November 2008



# The LARIS Laboratory

- Introduction

## Primary objectives:

- **Investigate new ionization schemes (free from ISOLDE scheduling)**
- **Improve upon current schemes that rely on non-resonant ionization**
  - search for auto-ionizing states
- **Prepare for RILIS transition Solid State Laser system**
  - different wavelength range (532 nm and 355 nm pumped dye lasers)

## Secondary objectives:

- **Investigate RILIS selectivity improvements**
  - HFS measurements (isomer selectivity)
  - Hot cavity optimization / material testing

## Tertiary objectives:

- Questions related to fundamental atomic spectroscopy, e.g. accurate determination of atomic ionization potentials.

**CERN/KTH collaboration**



**Funding: Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation**



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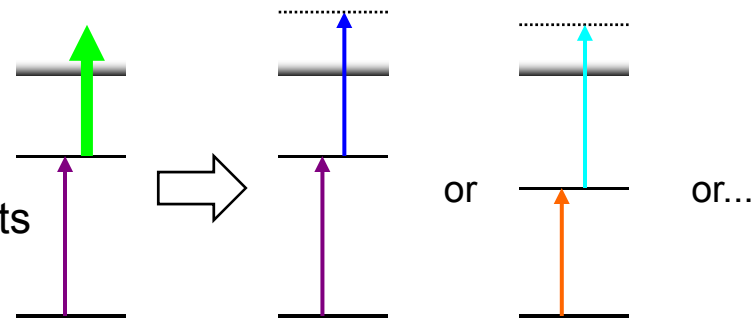
- Immediate tasks

Measure relative efficiencies of ionization schemes

Systematic study of auto-ionising states

New ionisation schemes for currently unavailable elements

Replace schemes that require CVL pumping @ 511 nm



LARIS is an offline development lab for RILIS ISOLDE

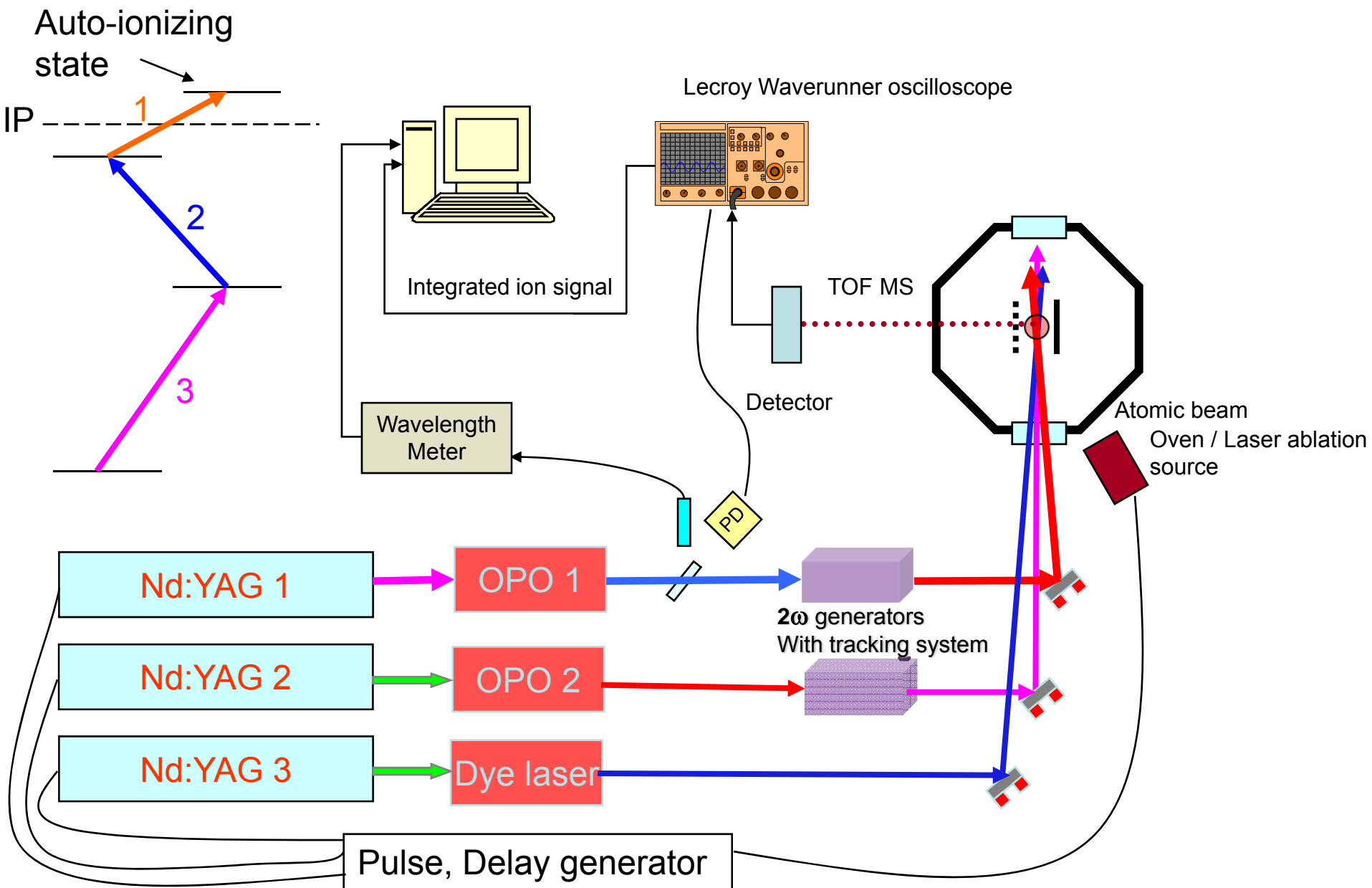
Separate laser system

Separate atomic source

(only stable isotopes)

# The LARIS Laboratory

- overview



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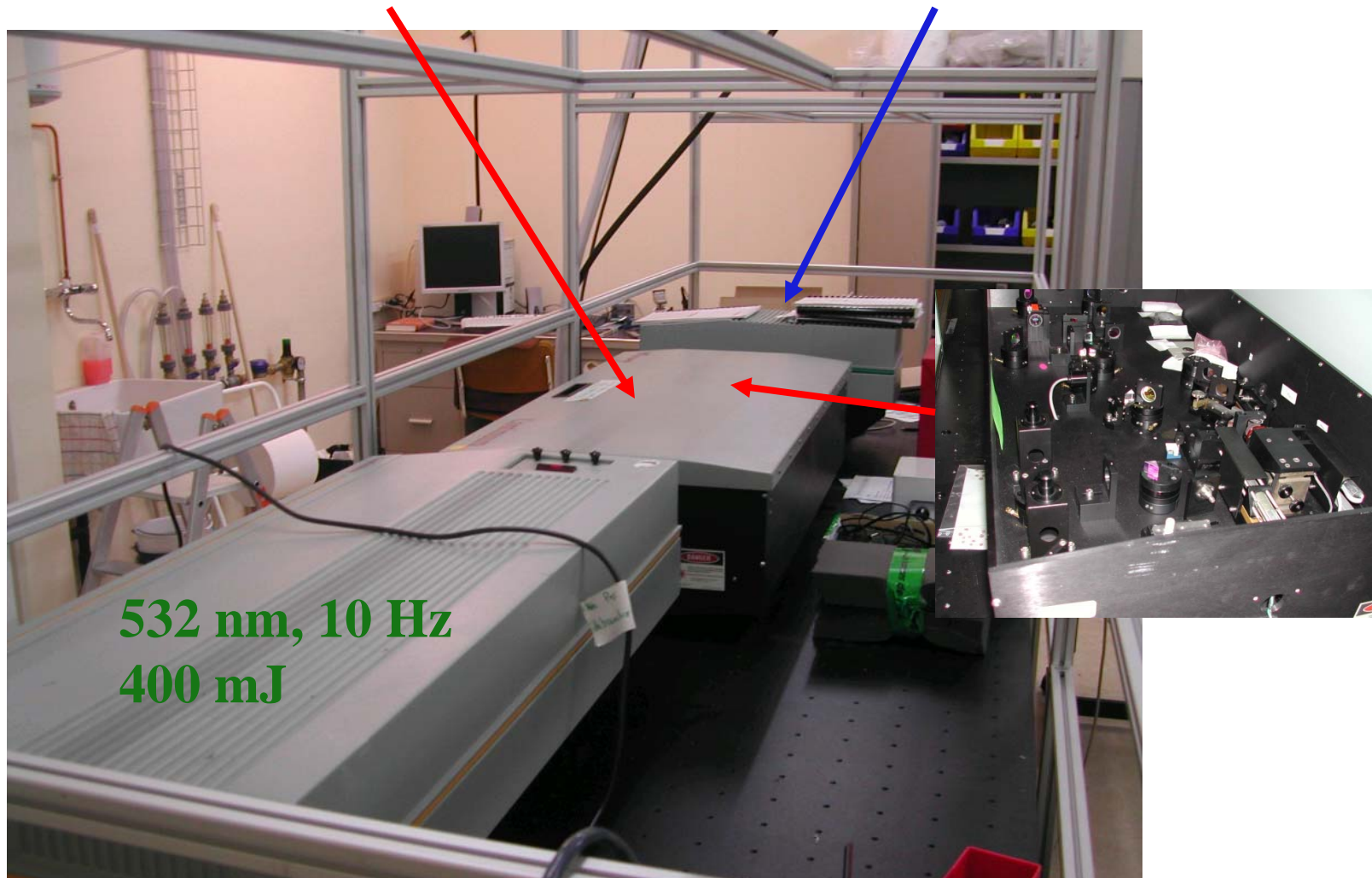
- Lasers

Continuum PowerLite 7010 + OPO Mirage + Continuum UVT

Tuning range: 720 - 920 nm (fund.), 360 - 460 nm ( $2\omega$ )

80 mJ @ 750nm

10 mJ @ 425nm





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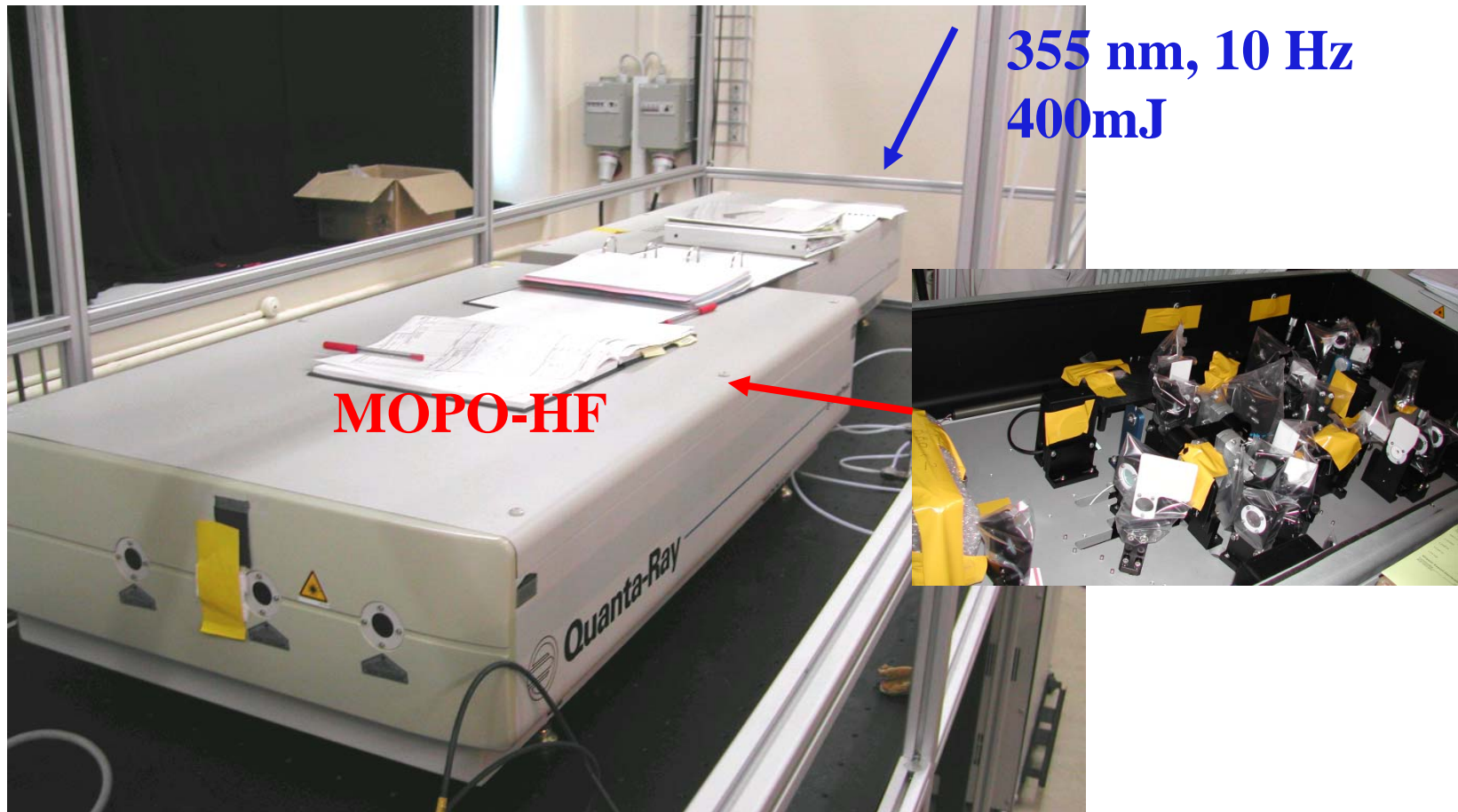
- Lasers

Spectra Physics Quanta-Ray PRO 230-10 + MOPO HF + FDO-970

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70 mJ @500nm

7.5 mJ @250nm

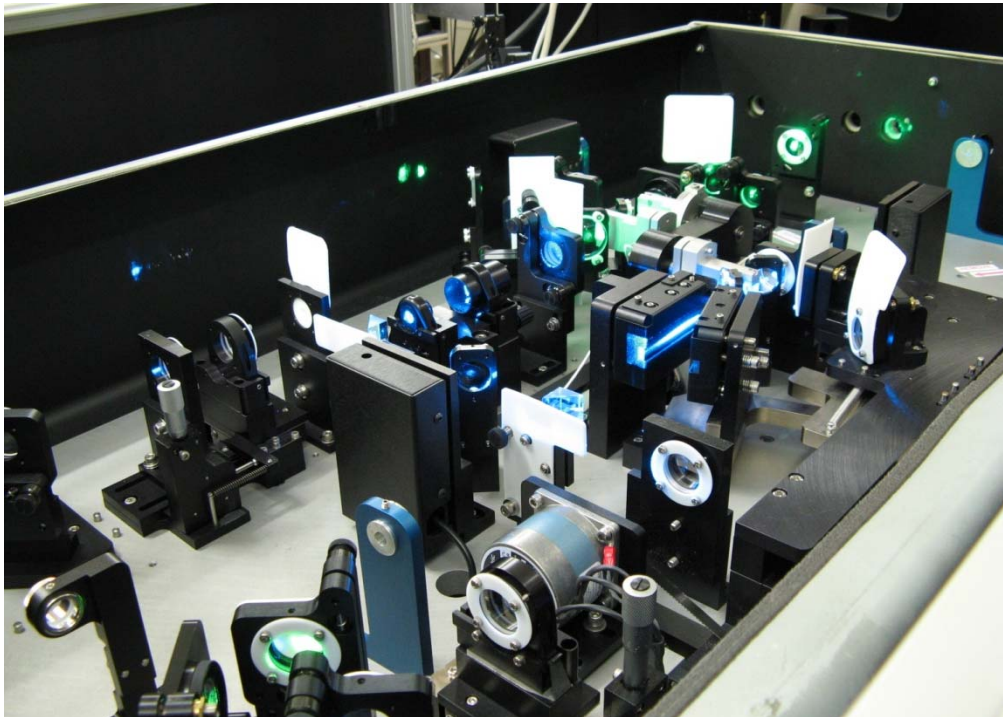


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- Lasers

Spectra Physics Quanta-Ray PRO 230-10 + MOPO HF + FDO-970

Tuning range: 450 - 690 nm (signal), 735 - 1680 nm (idler),  
220 - 345, 365 - 440 ( $2\omega$ )



"Easily" tuneable over a very wide  $\lambda$ -region (with some gaps)

Handy when probing for autoionising states

Complicated (and expensive!) to set up

Need good tables



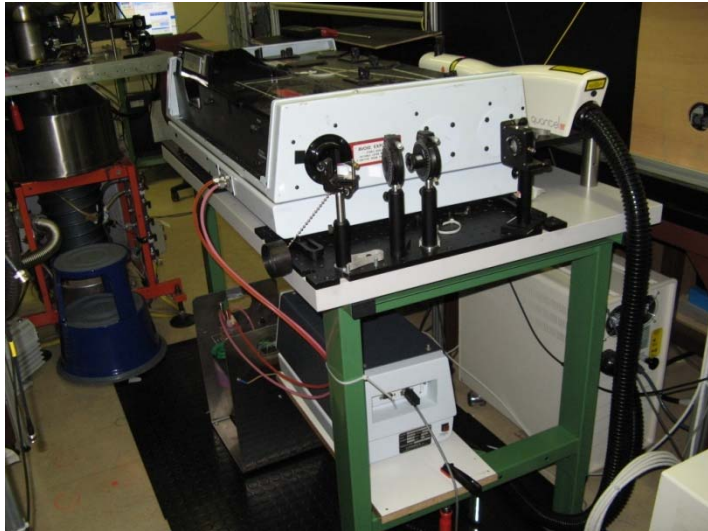
# The LARIS Laboratory

- Lasers

Quantel Brilliant (“Banana laser”) Nd:YAG with  $2\omega$  and  $3\omega$  units

Lumonics HD-500 Dye laser

Dye tuning ranges: 390 - 850 nm (fund.),  $>200$  nm( $2\omega$ )



**Quantel YAG Pump laser**

20 Hz

Pulse energy:

350 mJ (1064 nm)

160 mJ (532 nm)

60 mJ (355 nm)

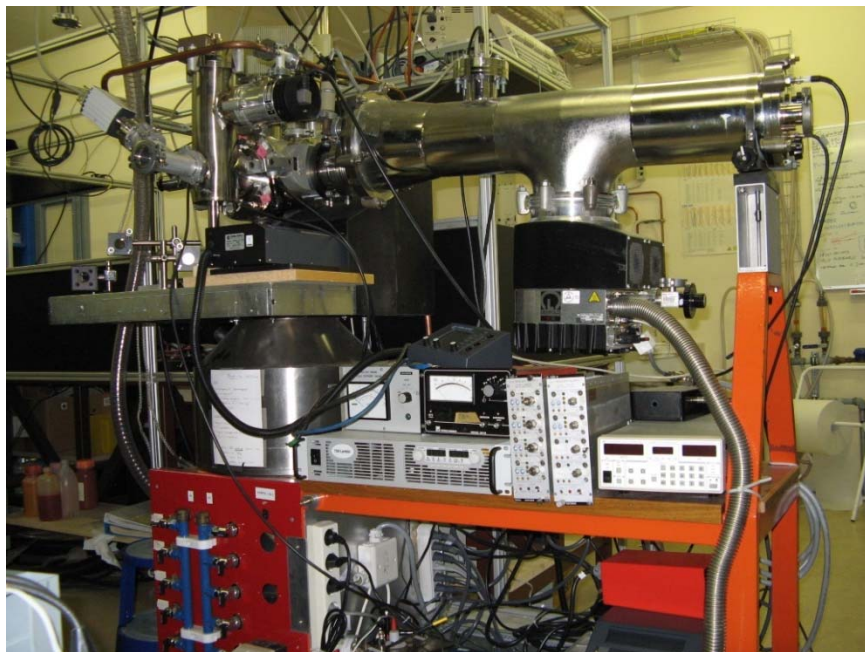
Pulse duration @1064 nm: 4.4 ns



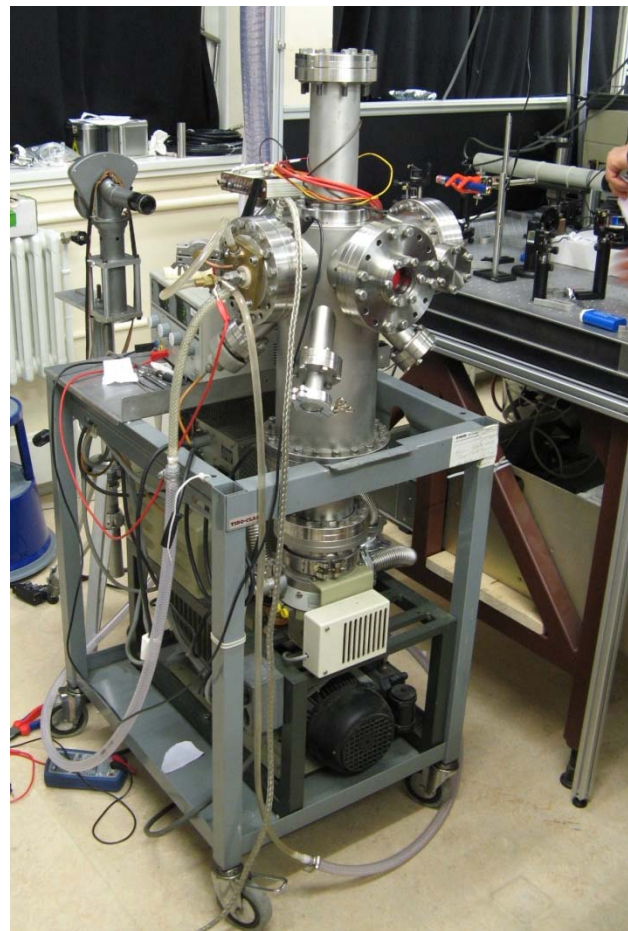
# The LARIS Laboratory

Two complementary units:

**Laser ablation source  
With Time Of Flight MS**



**Thermal atomic beam unit  
TOF MS will be added**

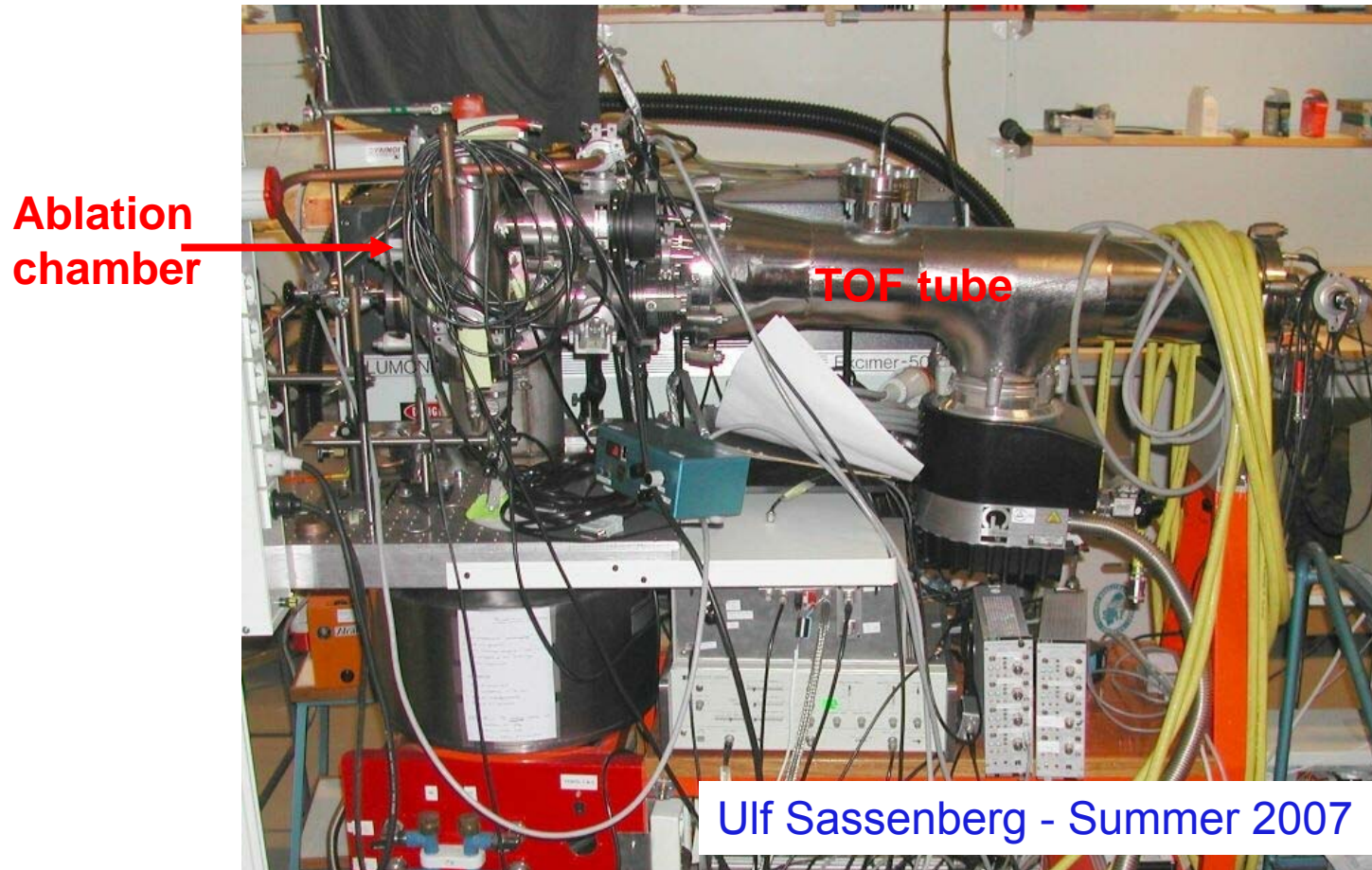




# The LARIS Laboratory

- Time of flight mass spectrometer

Ablation chamber and gas transport of atoms into interaction region:



**To acquire higher resolution laser spectra for specific isotopes**

Measure isotope shifts for stable isotopes

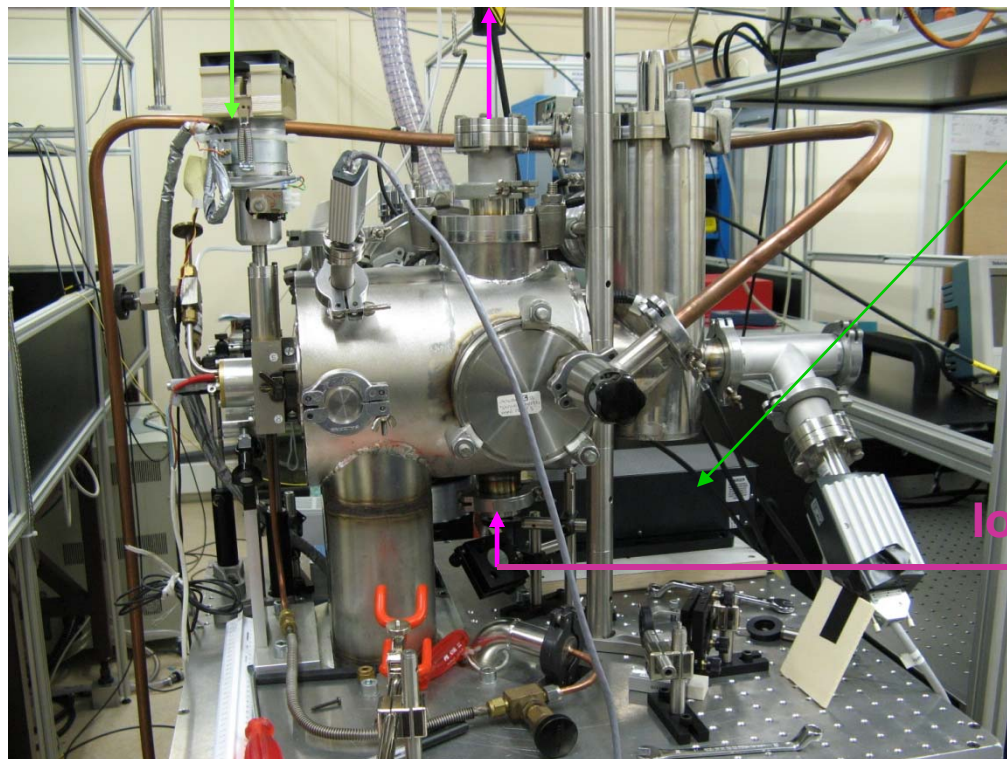
Measure HFS for different atomic transitions in various ionization schemes

(Feasibility study for *isomer separation*)

# The LARIS Laboratory

- Time of flight mass spectrometer

## Ablation unit



Ablation laser  
New wave POLARIS 3  
50mJ @ 532 nm

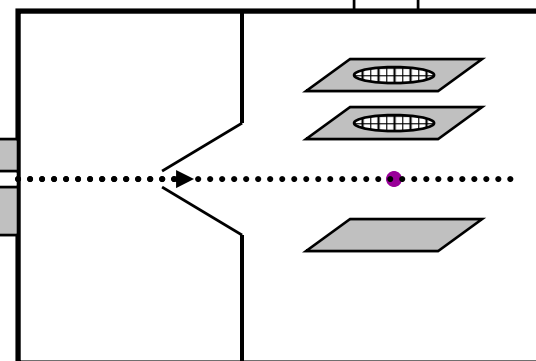
Ionisation lasers

To TOF tube

Carrier gas  
Ar

Pulsed nozzle

Sample rod

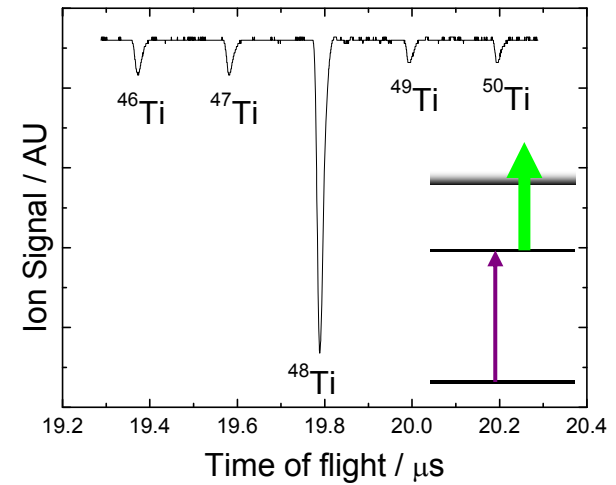
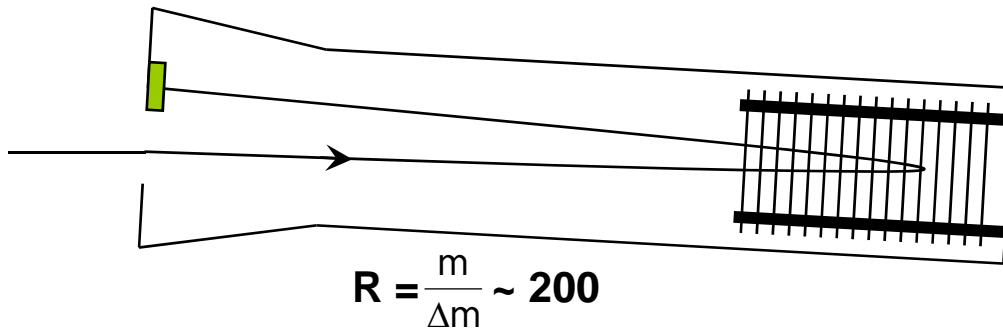
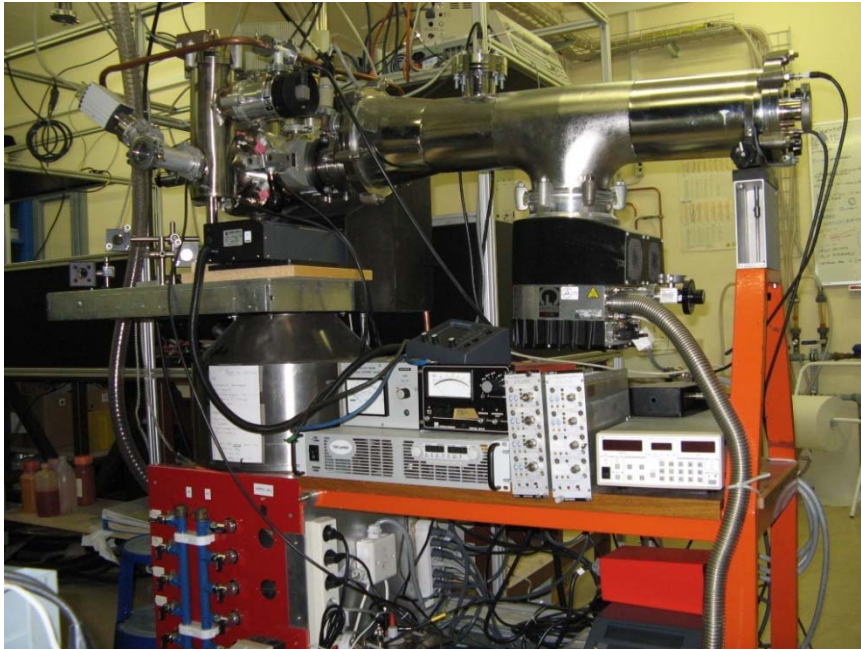


5 cm, Ø 6 mm



# The LARIS Laboratory

- Time of flight mass spectrometer

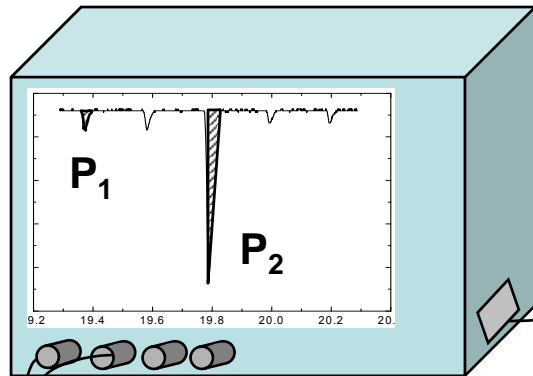




# The LARIS Laboratory

- Data Acquisition system

Oscilloscope (Lecroy Waverunner 104Xi)  
Define parameters



Signal from detector

Photodiode

powermeter

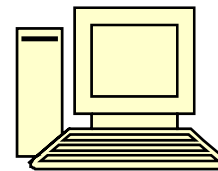
Wavemeter  
LM 007

LABView interface

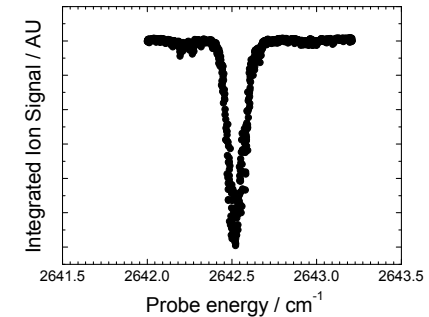
Select parameters to be recorded

Set tolerance levels for  $\omega$

Start program



$\omega$	$P_1$	$P_2$



Wavelength measurement to computer

If the wavelength is "good" then  
Get parameters from oscillator  
And from powermeter(s)

- First test of RILIS ISOLDE relevant element - Mn

[illegible]

### Interesting – what is that accidental resonance?

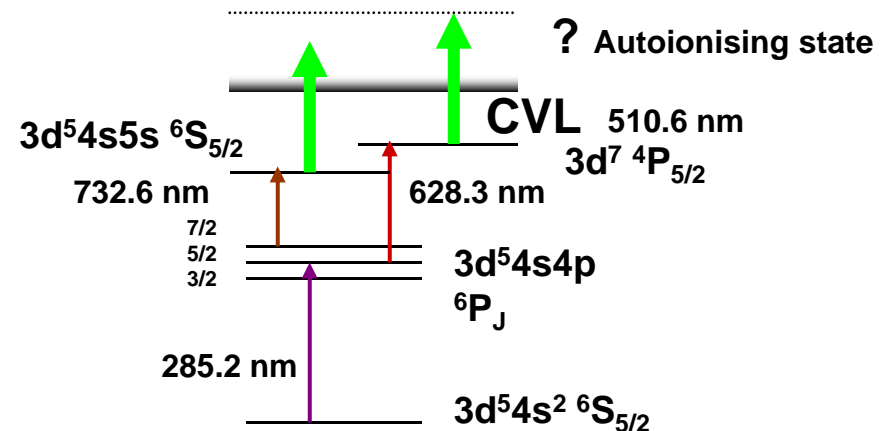
## What happens when we replace CVL with YAG?

## Full test of our entire system

## Why Mn?

## A new ionisation scheme was urgently needed

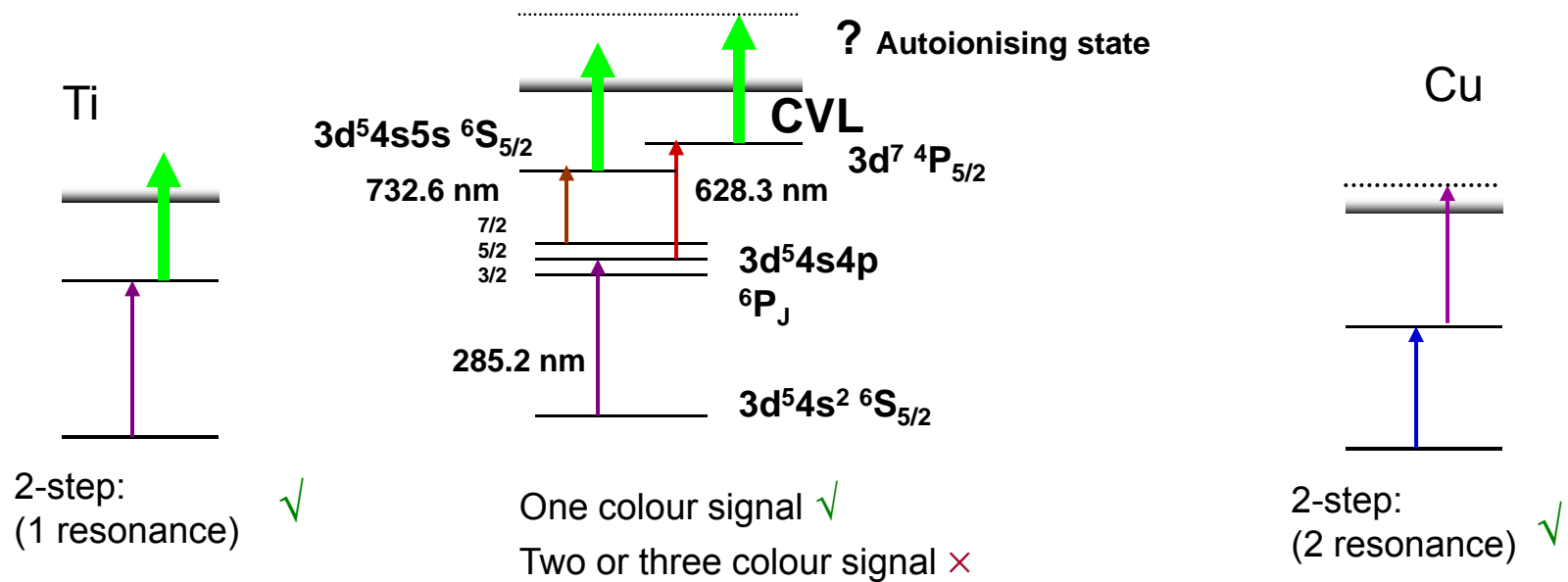
**When the current Mn scheme was developed at RILIS the yield was found to be better when a weak transition was used in the second step –  
Suspect an accidental resonance**



One colour signal ✓

Two or three colour signal ✖

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We can trust our method for overlapping the beams

But...

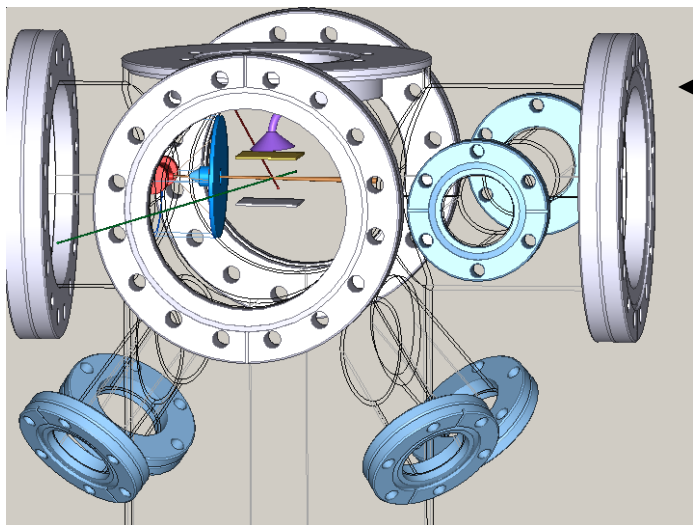
We recently found that we were not using optimal delays between gas pulse, ablation laser and ionisation lasers

And we found that our wavemeter can not be trusted in the UV region

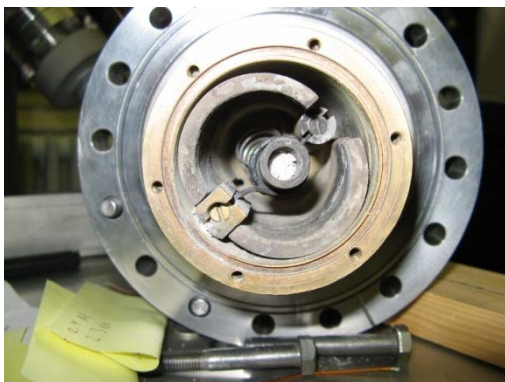
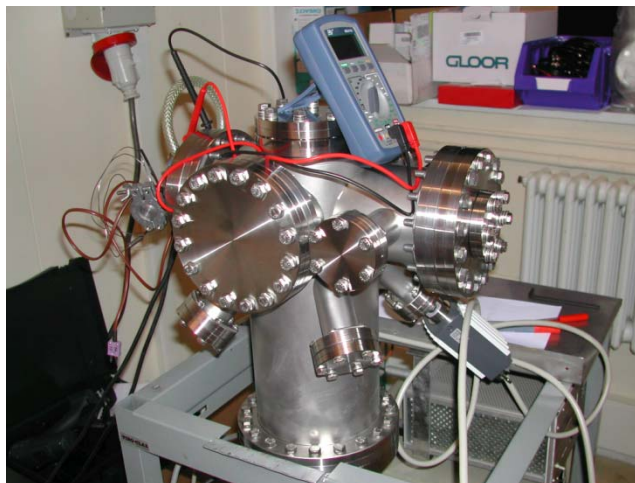
So we will try again

# The LARIS Laboratory

- Thermal atomic beam unit



← Plan of the first thermal atomic beam unit in LARIS built by Fabian Österdahl



Ceramic oven

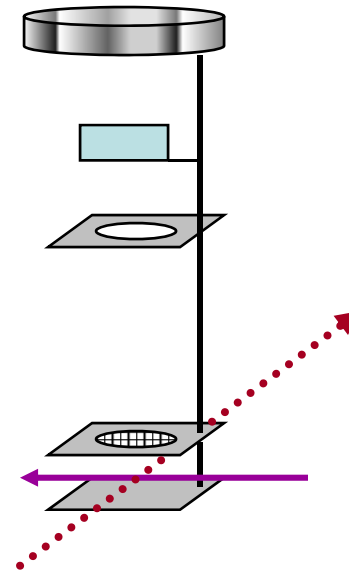
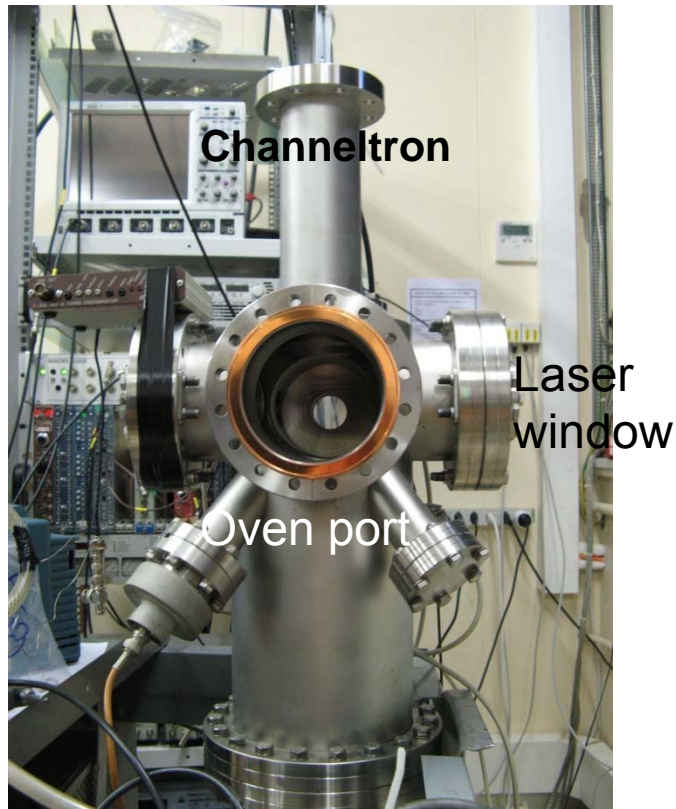
Watercooled flange

Channeltron detector close to the interaction region

We are now in the process of making some modifications to begin using it for spectroscopy

# The LARIS Laboratory

- Thermal atomic beam unit



Ceramic oven replaced with Tantalum oven

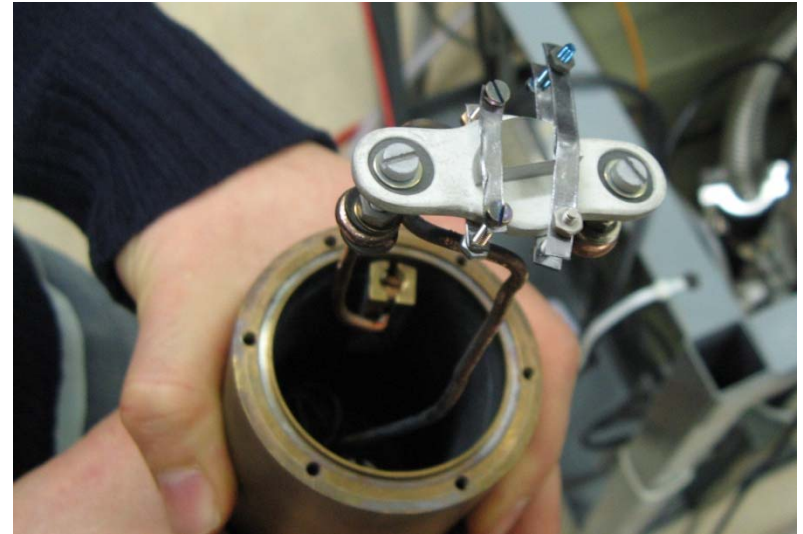
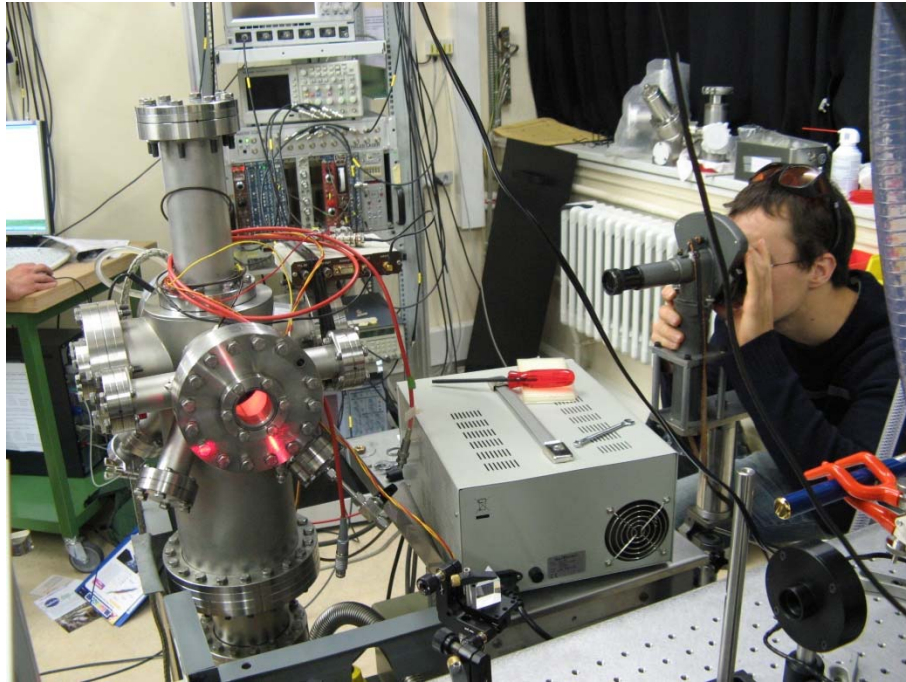
Same flange – Replace insulator and make full use of water cooling

20 cm extension to increase the distance to channeltron



# The LARIS Laboratory

- Testing Reflectivity of Molybdenum mirror at higher temperatures



**Heated mirror up to 1000 C**

**No change in reflectivity has been detected**



- Working Lasers
- Timing system
- Working Laser ablation TOF MS
- Laser Ions – Ti, Cu, Mn, Ca 1 and/or 2 colour signals
- Data Acquisition:  $\omega$ , Oscilloscope can function as 8 Boxcar modules, laser power measurement.

## FUTURE plans

- Reassemble oven unit
- Measurements from thermal ABU to complement laser ablation source
- TOF for oven ABU
- Continue with Mn and other elements...

# The LARIS Laboratory

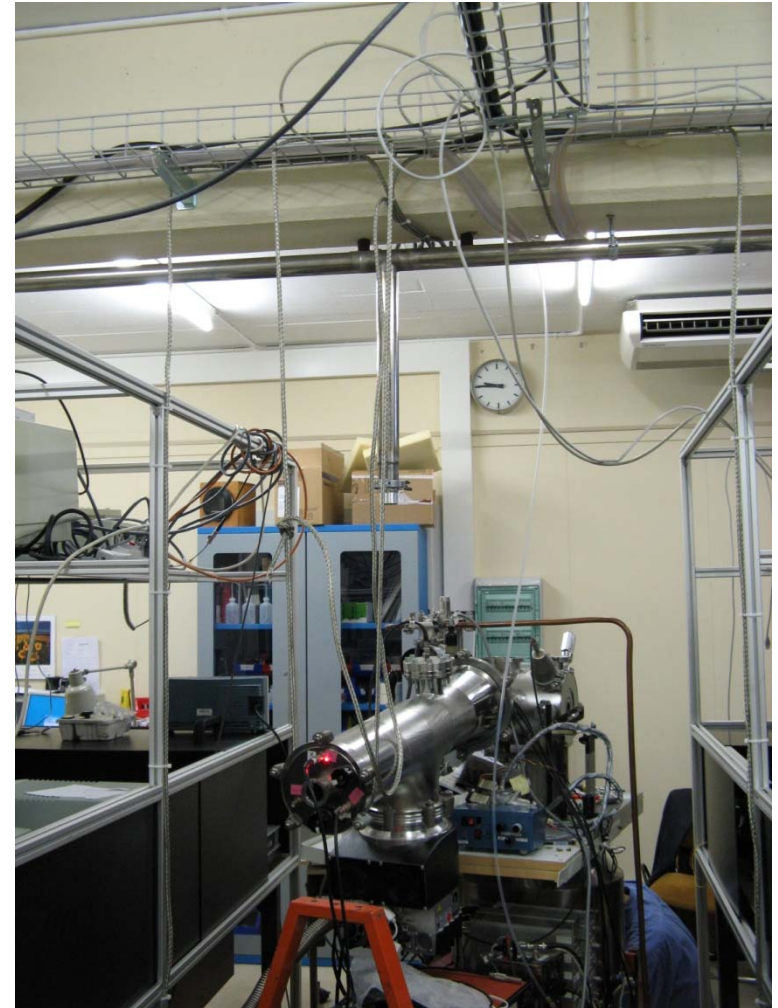
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