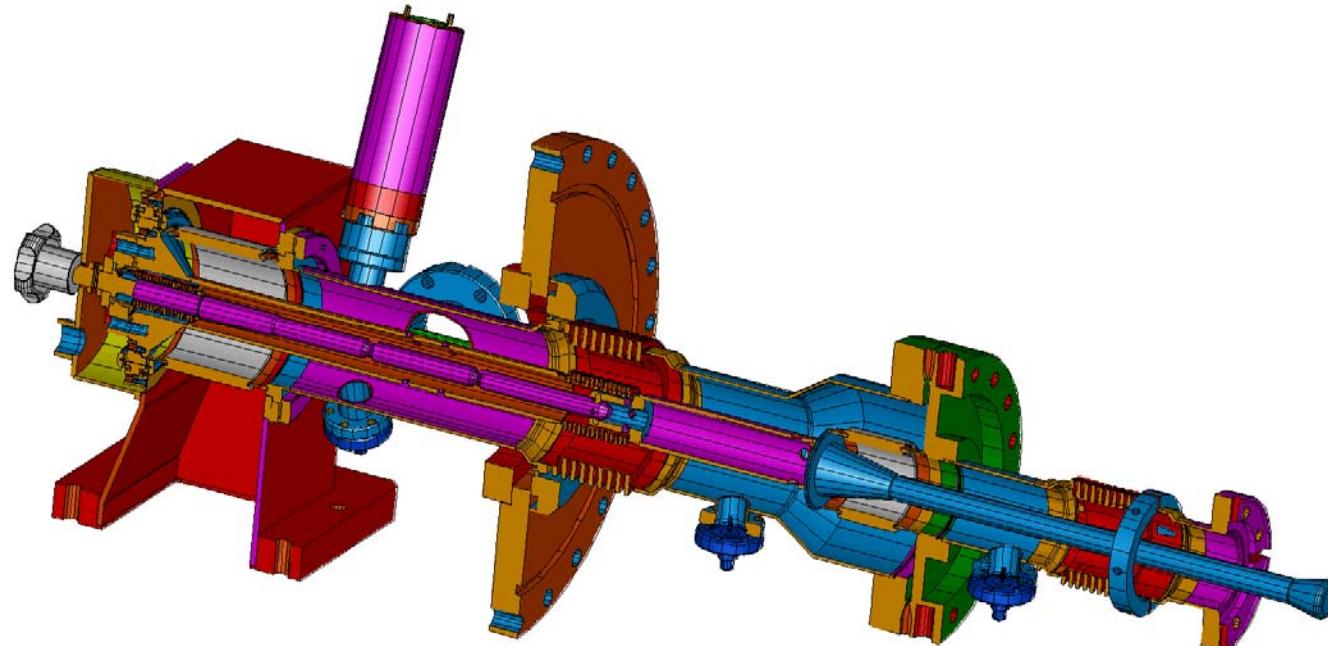




LAL & Power Couplers



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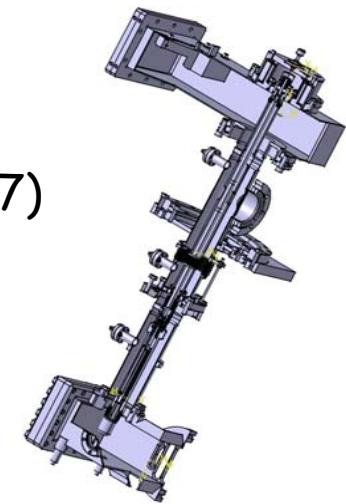
Different activities

- Manufacture of 30 TTF-III Couplers in Industry for VUV-FEL. Reception, cleaning and assembly. Pre-conditioning at room temperature. (2006)
- Design, construction and test of new proto-type power couplers: TTFV, TW60. => Cost & Conditioning time (2006-2007)
- Industrialisation studies of the Coupler for the European X-Ray Free Electron Laser (1000 couplers !!!). (2006-2008)
Prototypes are expected from the industries (ACCEL, Toshiba, E2V) for validation of the process (2008)
- 30 new couplers in the DESY-LAL cooperation agreement framework (2007-2009).

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- Design and construction/acquisition of TiN coating bench (2007)
 - Conditioning studies ~ 10 couplers (2006-2007)
 - Associated studies (surfaces, vacuum, mechanics..etc)

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Coupler Lab Infra-structure



1 shared building !
27 m² class 1000
13 m² class 10
External laminar flow class 100

Ultra sonic bath => up to 8kW @ 40 kHz
Ultra-pure Water => 200 litres /day @ 18 MΩ cm
Diagnostics: Particle counter & resistive-meter



Vacuum furnace => 400° @ 10⁻⁶ mbar



Ultra-pure water production

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UPGRADE FORESEEN

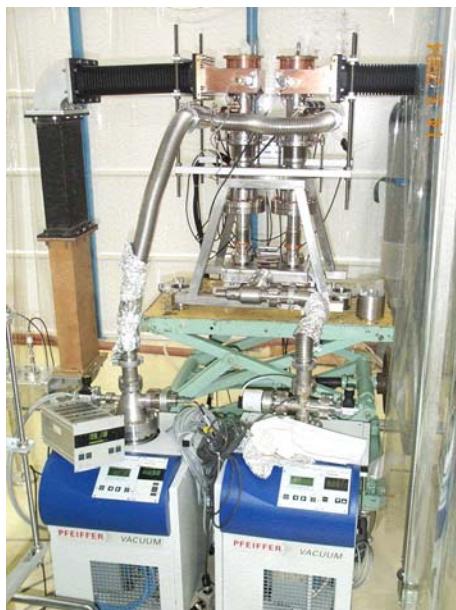
- In the framework of the next 30 couplers conditioning (DESY-LAL) we will double the UP water production to allow a continuous flow resistivity measurement.
- We will acquire a special baking jacket to speed up the process.
- In the WP7 framework we are working to acquire a TiN coating bench for the TTF-type ceramics. We plan to get an in-house know-how on the magnetron-sputtering technique.



Conditioning Facility

- Modulator and klystron (THALES TH 2104C), RF source of 5 MW peak power rating
- Rep. Rate up to 10 Hz
- Variable pulse width from 20 μ sec. to 1300 μ sec. (max 2 msec)
- Computer controlled acquisition procedure



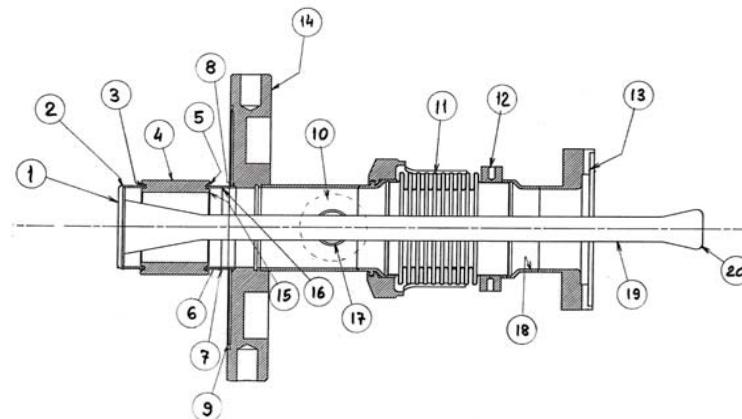


For the coupler reception:

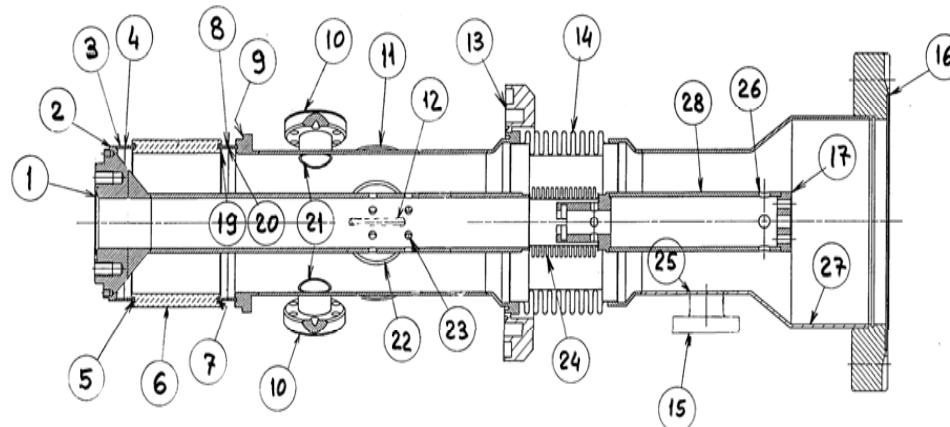
- Non-destructive examination by endoscopy @ LAL
- Visualisation and acquisition by CCD camera
- Storage of the reception datas in a database



Example: Points of visual inspection



Cold assembly



Warm assembly

Observations → EXCEL files → data base



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Coupler preparation

- Ultra-sonic cleaning using ultra-pure water ($\rho = 18 \text{ M}\Omega\text{.cm}$) with 1% Tickopur solution.
- Rinsing with UP water.
- Drying in class 10 clean room area
- Baking to 400°C in vacuum oven during 4 hours.
- Assembly of cold coupler parts to WG test box in Class 10 clean room.
- Assembly of warm parts.
- Leak test in the clean room
- Connection of couplers to high power source under mobile laminar flow (class 100)
- In situ baking (130 degrees)



Conditioning procedure

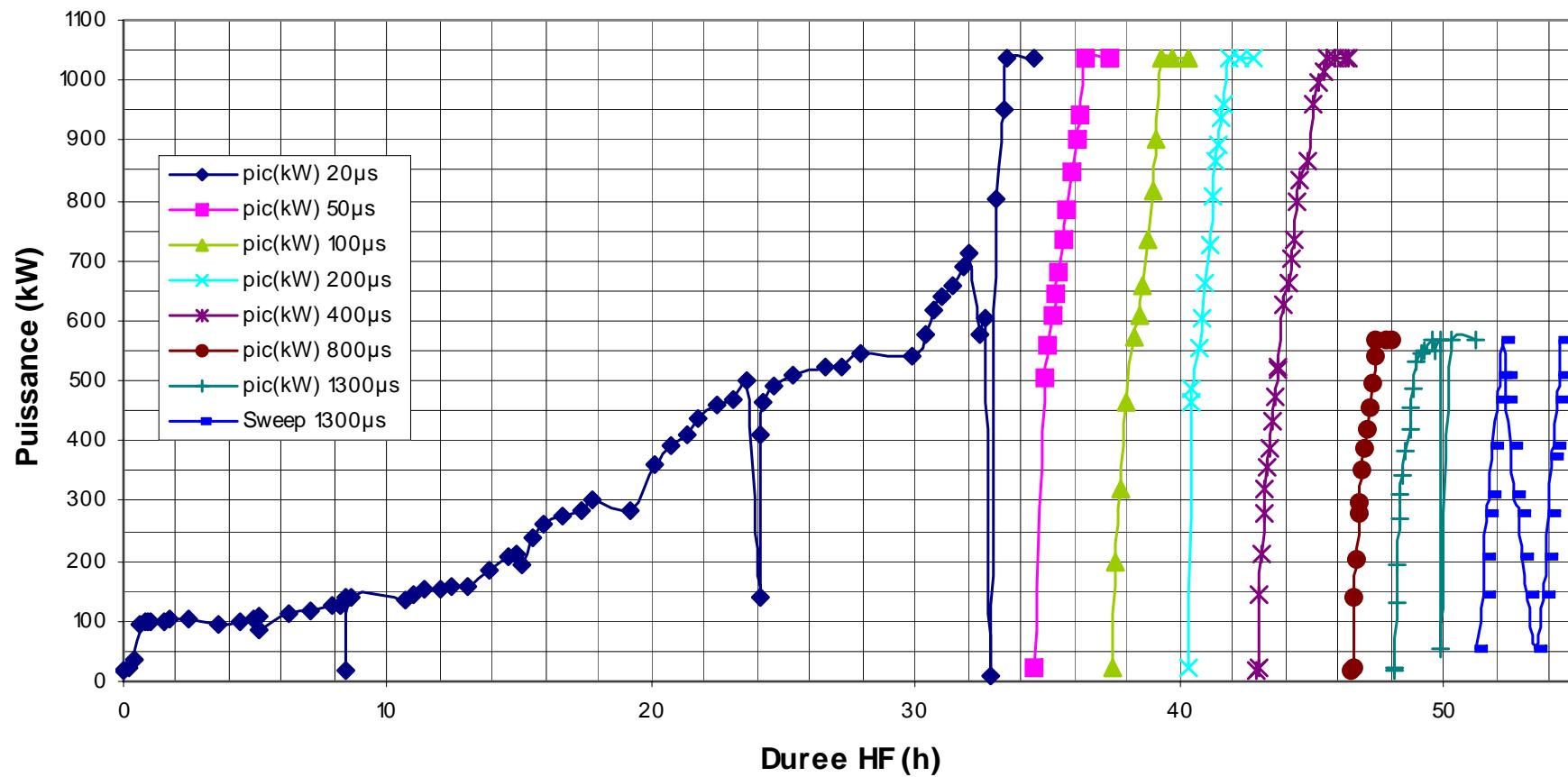


- Pulse length 20 ms, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 50 ms, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 100 ms, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 200 ms, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 400 ms, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 800 ms, ramp power to 0.5 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 1300 ms, ramp power to 0.5 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Sweep power @ 1.3 ms, 50 to 500 kW.
- **Interlocks**
- e- pick-ups, photo-multiplier, vacuum, ceramic temperature
- Wave-guide sparks - stop operation!



EXAMPLE

Evolution de la puissance au cours du conditionnement

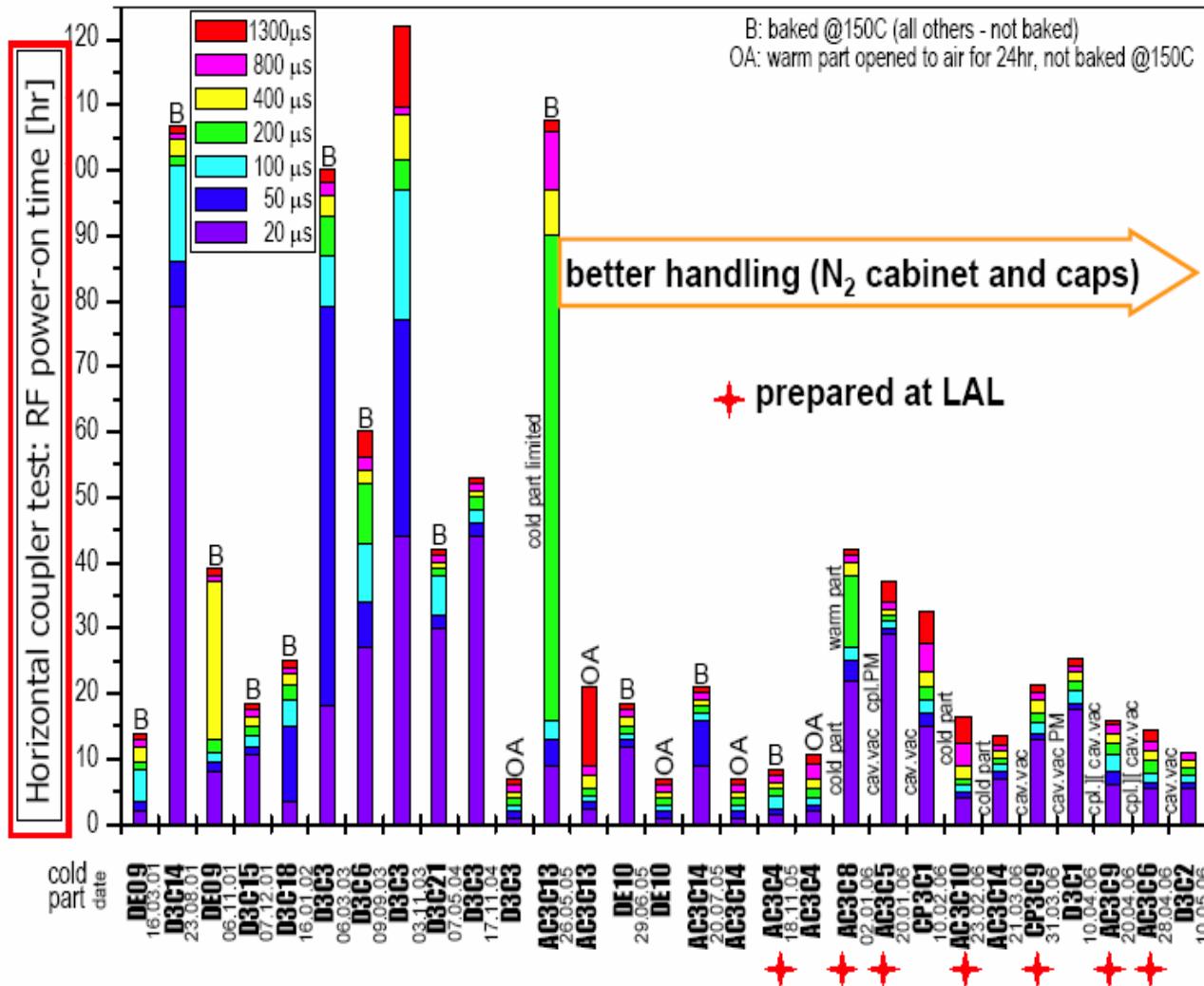


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Results



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More:
The couplers have been tested on CHECHIA attaining ~ 35 Mv/m With a Q of ~ 10¹⁰



Rate

- In continuous mode we can overlap, up to a certain degree of freedom, the preparation of a new coupler with the conditioning phase.
- This allows us to provide one pair every three weeks.
- So actually, taking into account the stops due to the cooling water and the holidays, we are working on a basis of one pair per month (twelve pairs in a year)
- All modification of this schedule requires the re-evaluation of the whole procedure, starting from assembling in the clean room.



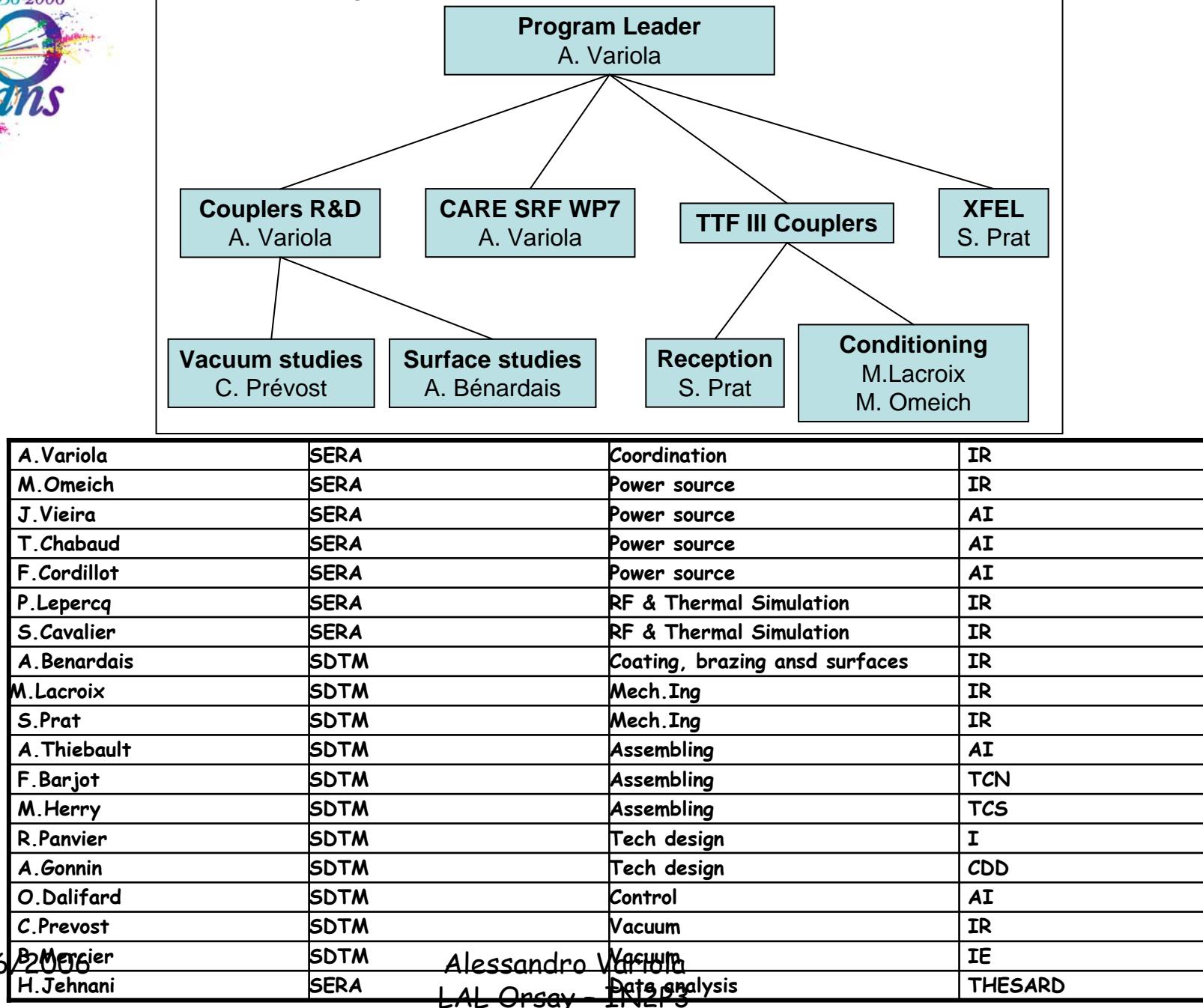
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Couplers program

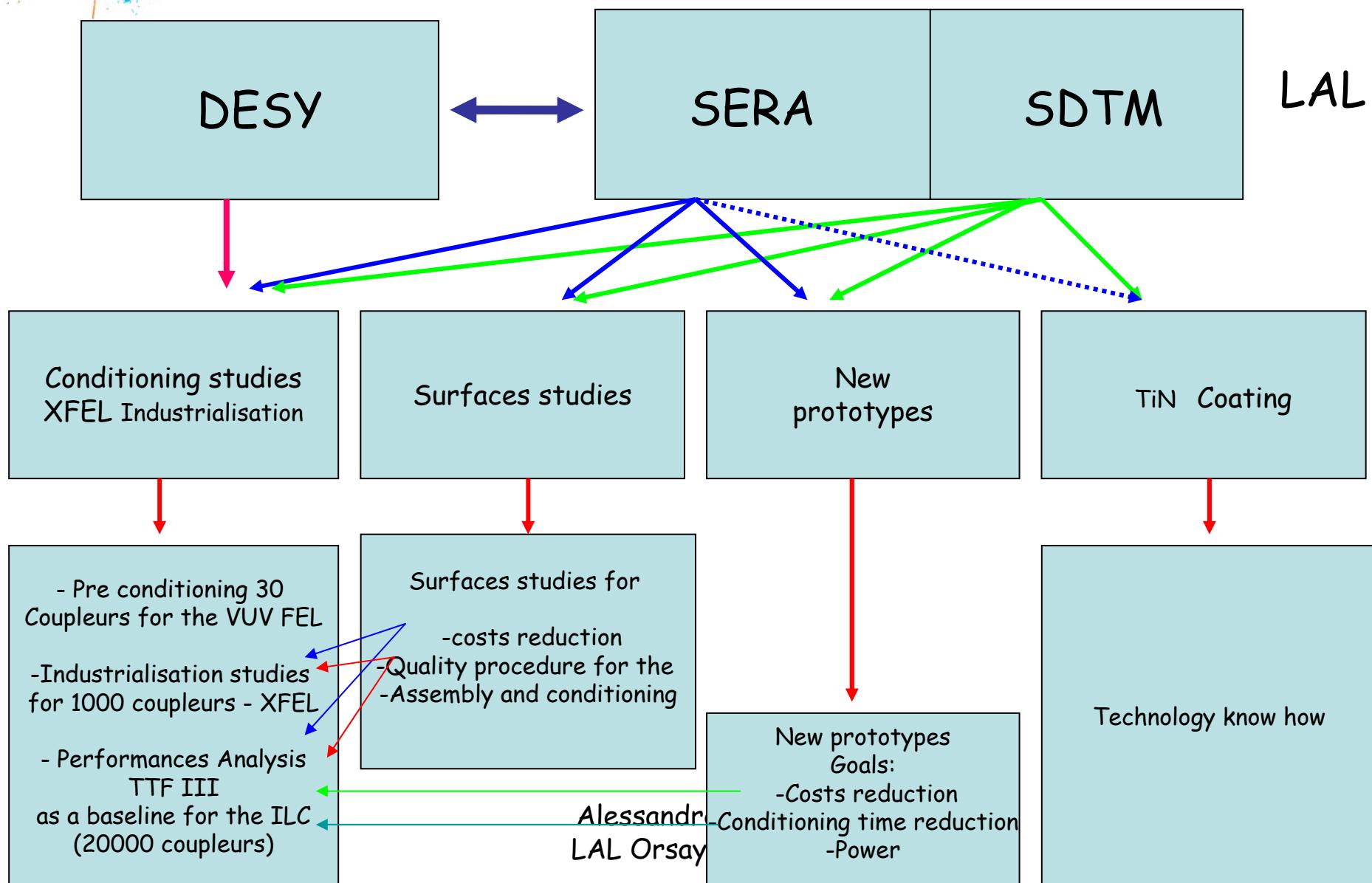


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Collaboration Scheme





FUTURE

- We have a full R&D program up to the beginning / middle 2009 (depending on XFEL prototype couplers arrival).
- This program is strictly connected to the ILC that is our priority
- For any new perspective we will take into account this priority