

APPLICATIONS OF PARTICLE ACCELERATORS IN EUROPE

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on behalf of APAE committee

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From M.Vretenar Eucard2 coordinator

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The aim of the project is to create a European document equivalent of the "Accelerators for America's Future" document (US focus, 5 years old)

The focus will be on **applications** of interest in **Europe** and for which technology developed for research can have an impact. The document will be entitled "**The Applications of Particle Accelerators in Europe**"



Objectives

It is intended for policy makers, as a result, it will be in two parts:

- Executive summary, focussing on the main issues for each country and in the correct language (International Committee)
- Supporting document in English (Conveners)

It is being organized by Work Package 4 of



Avoiding duplications with others existing docs in Europe such: the Nupecc report, but exploiting the complementarity and synergies on work already done in Europe:

- TIARA, Accelerators for Society
- CERN document
- Documents from various countries

Report will be finished by end of EUCARD2 April 2017



WP4: Application of Accelerators

- ✓ Rob Edgecock (WP4 coordinator)
- ✓ Agnes Szeberenyi
(outreach&communication)

International Organizing Committee:

- ✓ Roy Aleksan
- ✓ Oliver Boine-Frankenheim
- ✓ Phil Burrows
- ✓ Angeles Faus-Golfe
- ✓ Steve Myers
- ✓ Andrea Pisent

International Committee and Roles

International Committee charge is:

- Identify the areas and the conveners ✓
- Coordinate and support the different areas and conveners ✓
- Meeting organization: kick-off ✓
mid-term and next
- Responsible for writing of the Executive summary, focussing on the main issues for each country and in the correct language
- Ensure Main doc (English) is well balanced

Areas, Conveners and Roles

Energy

Fission: E. Mund

Fusion: A. Mosnier

Accelerators: J.L. Biarrott

Health

Radiation Therapy: M. Dosanjh

Radionuclides: O. Lebeda

Accelerators: H. Owen

Industry & Environment

Ion implantation: R. Webb

Ion beam analysis: M. Chiari

e⁻ beam treatment and uses: A. Chmielewski

e⁻ accelerators: F. Roegner

Security

G. Burt

Photonics

L. Rivkin

Neutronics

M. Lindroos

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Conveners charge will be to:

- Identify the agenda and speakers for the appropriate session at the kick-off meeting ✓
- Invite participants to the meeting ✓
- Create a working group to deliver a chapter for the application area ✓
- Ensure that this chapter is written

Kick-off meeting: the objective

- Starting the APAE process
- Bring together people interested in the different application areas
- Initial discussion of what to include
- Existing and possible new applications
- Identification of the next steps



APAE kick-off meeting

“THE APPLICATIONS OF
PARTICLE ACCELERATORS
IN EUROPE”

<http://indico.cern.ch/e/APAE-2015.html>

Royal Academy of Engineering
London, 18-19 June 2015

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Angeles Faus-Golfe (IFIC Valencia) - Chair
Steve Myers (CERN)
Andrea Pisent (INFN LNL)
Rob Edgecock (Huddersfield & STFC) - WP4 coordinator
Agnes Szeberenyi (CERN) - EuCARD2 Communications



Kick-off meeting: the programme



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Thursday 18 June 2015

09:00 09:30	Registration and Coffee	
09:30 10:00	Welcome and Opening	
10:00 11:15	Security G. Burt	
	Imran Tahir, Rapiscan Systems	Application of Accelerators in borders and homeland security
	Philippe Dethier, IBA	The Rhodotron used as an X-ray generator for next generation automated 3D Cargo Inspection System
	John O'Malley, AWE	Opportunities for accelerator driven radiation sources to support the detection of radiological and nuclear materials
	Slawomir Wronka	- Security applications development at NCBJ
	Discussion session animated by G. Burt: Present challenges for accelerators for Security, future needs in the next decades....	
11:15 11:30	Coffee	
11:30 13:00	Industry and Environment: Ions Roger Webb, Massimo Chiari	
	Russell Gwilliam	Ion implantation
	Franco Lucarelli	Ion beam analysis
	Graeme Taylor	Metrology and accelerator applications
	Discussion session animated by Franco Lucarelli: Present challenges for accelerators for Industry and Environment: Ions, future needs in the next decades....	
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14:00 15:00	Industry and Environment: Electrons Andrzej Chmielewski, Frank-Holm Roegner	
	A. G. Chmielewski	Developments in the electron beam accelerators and e/X systems engineering. Industrial applications of electron beams – materials processing, sterilization, food irradiation and environment
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	M. Demsky	Linear electron accelerators for radiation processing
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	Bledwyn Jones	Radiation Treatment
	Ulli Koester	Isotopes
	Tim Antaya	Accelerators
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11:00 11:30	Discussion session animated by Manjit Dosanjh: Present challenges for accelerators for Health, future needs in the next decades....	
11:30 12:15	Photonics L. Rivkin	
	Gabriel Aeppli	Photonics applications: from beamline to industry
	Ian Robinson	Use of beam brilliance in imaging nanomaterials
	Discussion session animated by Leonid Rivkin: Present challenges for Photonics, future needs in the next decades....	
12:15 13:00	Neutronics M. Lindroos	
	John Thomason, ISIS	ISIS and future short pulse spallation sources in Europe
	Eugene Tanke, ESS	The first long spallation source (ESS) and continuous sources spallation sources (PSI)
	Pierfrancesco Mastinu, LNL	Compact neutron sources
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The document

- One chapter per application area, with an extension of around 20 pages, responsibility of the convenors
- The contents of the doc:
 - State of the art: technology and applications
 - Issues and present Challenges, which technology developments are needed to overcome it?
 - New possible applications, how technology could help to developed these new Applications?
- Executive summary, recommendations and summary chart table with particles/characteristics/applications/numbers responsibility of the International Committee
- Format to use: a template will be provided
- Final professional formatting at the end

The APAE web page

The APAE web page <http://apae.ific.uv.es/apae/> is under construction, with the help of IFIC computer service.

Conveners has to provide :

- Short text to be added in each of the areas and nice pictures if you have for the public area
- Suggestions for the useful links

APPLICATIONS OF ACCELERATORS IN EUROPE: HEALTH

Manjit Dosanjh
Ondrej Lebeda
Hywel Owen

Radiation therapy

1. State of the art IMRT conventional treatment is doing an excellent job but one cannot change physics, so what next?
2. High energy electrons... Immunotherapy...
3. Protons are here and from the physics they are better so which are the problems and challenges before they can become widely adopted and accepted?
4. Is there room for other ions such as helium and carbons which are more conformal and have higher radiobiological effects?
5. What is the future for alpha emitters in treatment?
6. Can advances in nanoparticle delivery offer future scope for improved brachytherapy?
7. Stereotactic radiotherapy/theragnostics?

Radionuclides – 1

1. Nuclear medicine is today dominated by imaging applications, although the role of radionuclide targeted therapy slowly increases.
2. SPECT procedures (dominated by ^{99m}Tc) still significantly outnumber PET imaging (dominated by ^{18}F).
3. In principle replacements exist for many ^{99m}Tc -based radiopharmaceuticals. Cyclotron production of ^{99m}Tc in Europe.
4. Will ^{18}F replace ^{99m}Tc if supplies of ^{99m}Tc fall?
5. Neutron-rich radionuclides are produced by research reactors and neutron-deficient ones by accelerators (mainly cyclotrons). Some radionuclides can be produced by either facility.
6. Research reactors will not die out!

Radionuclides – 2

6. Future is open for emerging positron emitters, frequently prepared from generators like $^{68}\text{Ge}/^{68}\text{Ga}$, $^{82}\text{Sr}/^{82}\text{Rb}$, etc. Direct production of ^{68}Ga – an alternative to $^{68}\text{Ge}/^{68}\text{Ga}$ generators, interesting for the existing PET centres
7. Targeted radionuclide therapy are on the rise: ^{177}Lu and ^{90}Y are the gold standards for β^- therapy, but new therapeutic or theranostic (e.g. ^{64}Cu , ^{67}Cu , ^{186}Re) radionuclides continue to appear; Auger emitters
8. Alpha emitters provide more targeted irradiation but are still in short supply: ^{149}Tb (GeV p beams), ^{211}At (29 MeV α beams), ^{213}Bi (decay of ^{225}Ac that is obtained either from $^{233}\text{U}/^{229}\text{Th}$, or via $^{226}\text{Ra}(p,2n)$ reaction), ^{223}Ra – cyclotron production of alpha emitters or their parent nuclides
9. New non-conventional positron emitters for PET (^{44}Sc , ^{52}Mn , ^{64}Cu , ^{86}Y , ^{124}I etc.)

Accelerators

1. Proton therapy – how do alternative technologies compete with established cyclotron technology – FFAGs, laser acceleration, linacs etc.
2. What are the next steps in carbon therapy?
3. What is the role of He and ^{11}C in particle therapy in the next 5 years?
4. Other ions?

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Next steps – Strategy

- Need a list of topics and the people to be involved for each topic
- Put forward ideas and get a community response
- Separate the document into near-term and mid-term needs
- Get contributions from experts in the field in Europe and beyond
- Currently – Manjit, Hywel and Ondrej but looking for help
- To be discussed: need broad endorsement from institutes - how

Purpose of the document

- Why is it being written?
- How will it help?
 - Funding?
 - Awareness?
- Impact
 - How will we measure it?
 - Need to start today

Next steps

- Periodic Meetings: once per month, first in July 2015. ✓
- If the conveners have some names to add as co-conveners or collaborators in the working group please let know us to be added in the list or in the web page.
- Mid-term meeting 16-17 December 2015 in Paris: outline of the chapter
- Meeting in the framework of 3rd EUCARD2 meeting: draft of the chapter
- Meeting End 2016 : final version chapter
- Printing the document End 2016
- Document presented on April 2017 in EUCARD2 meeting

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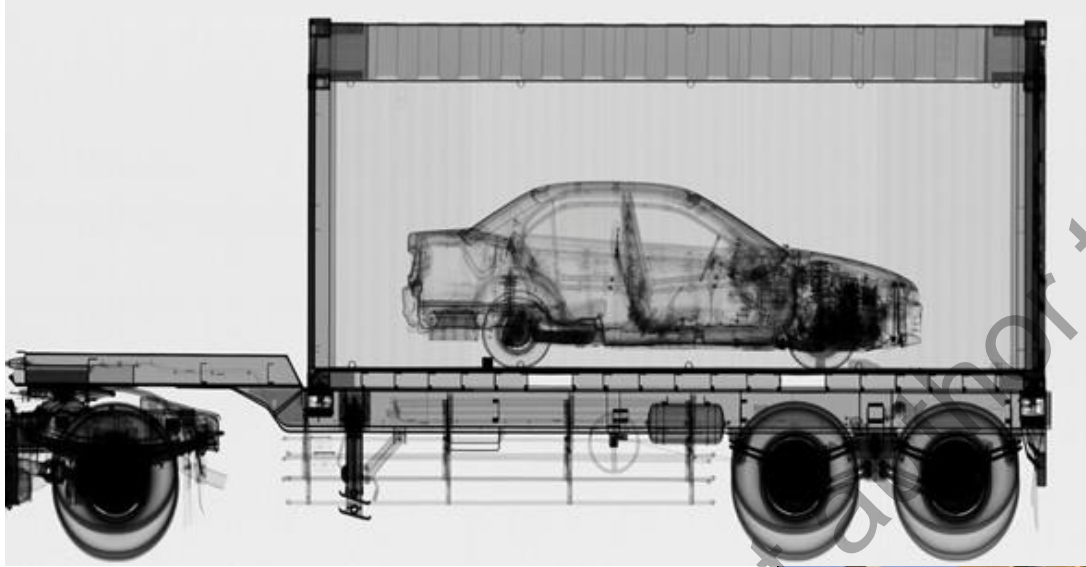
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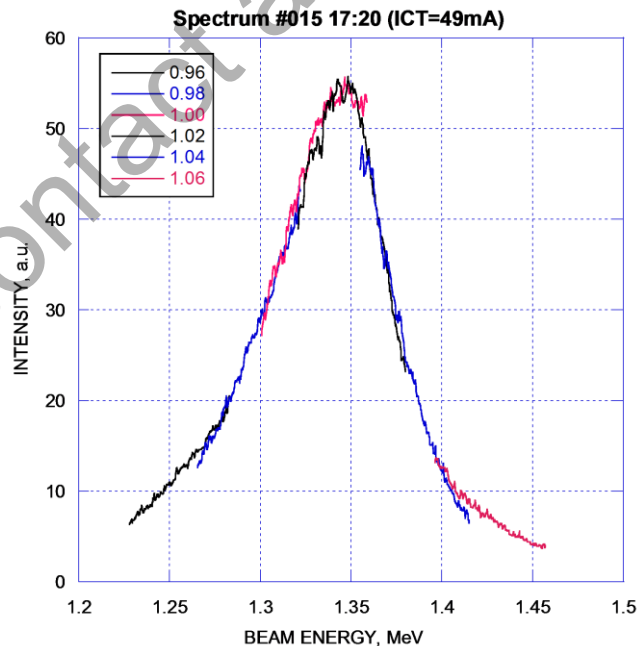
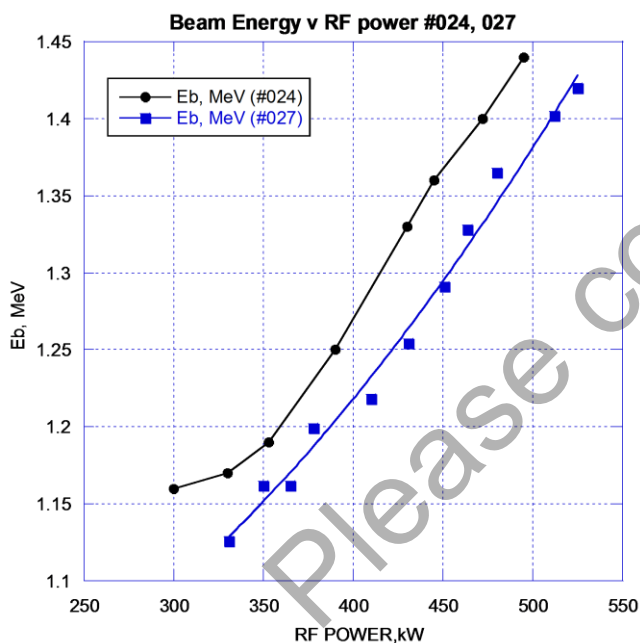
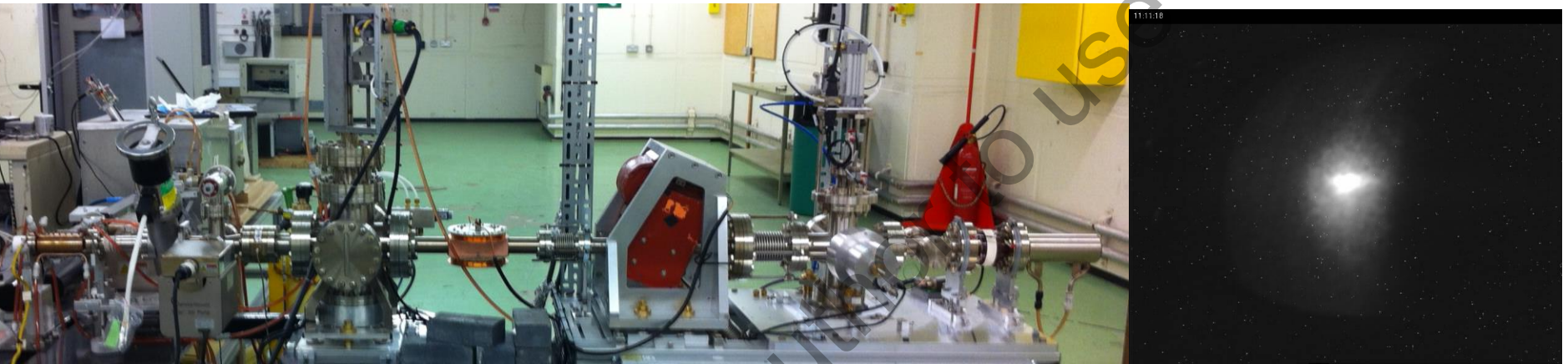
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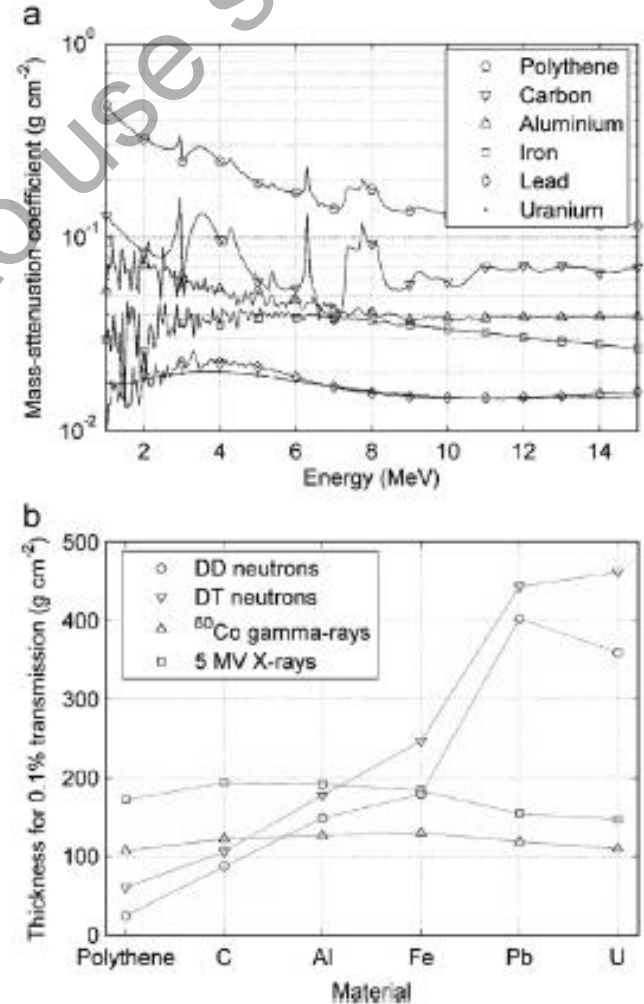
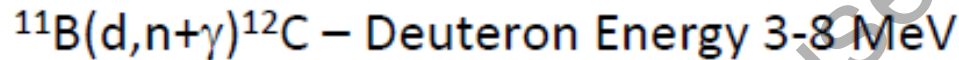
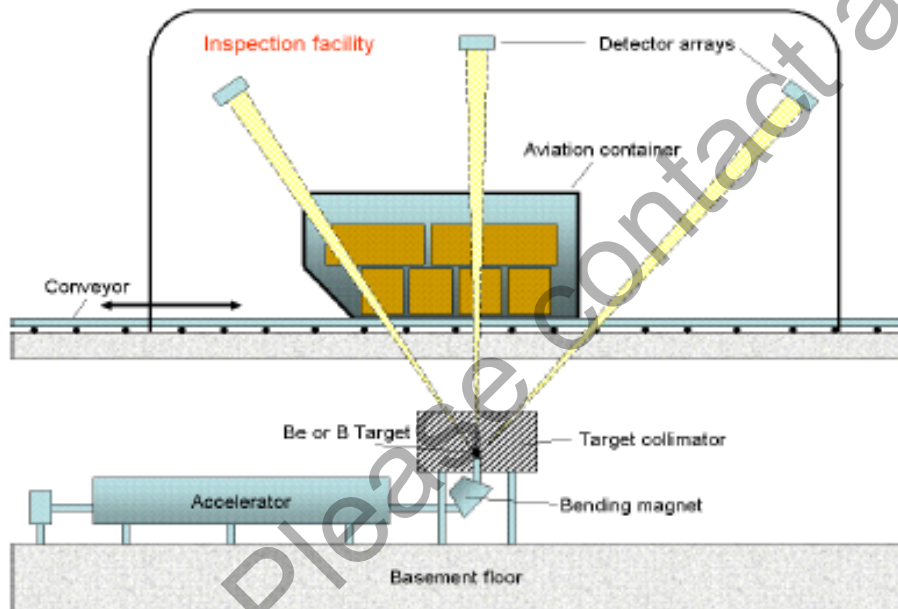


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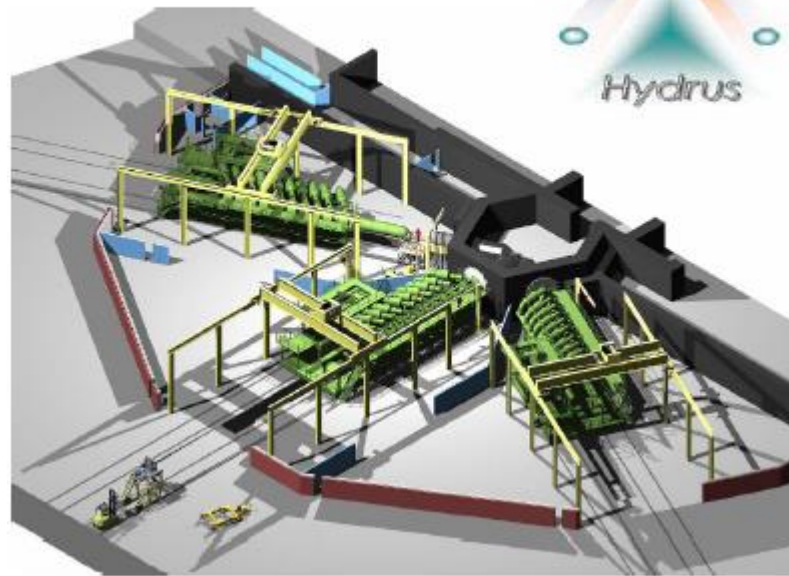
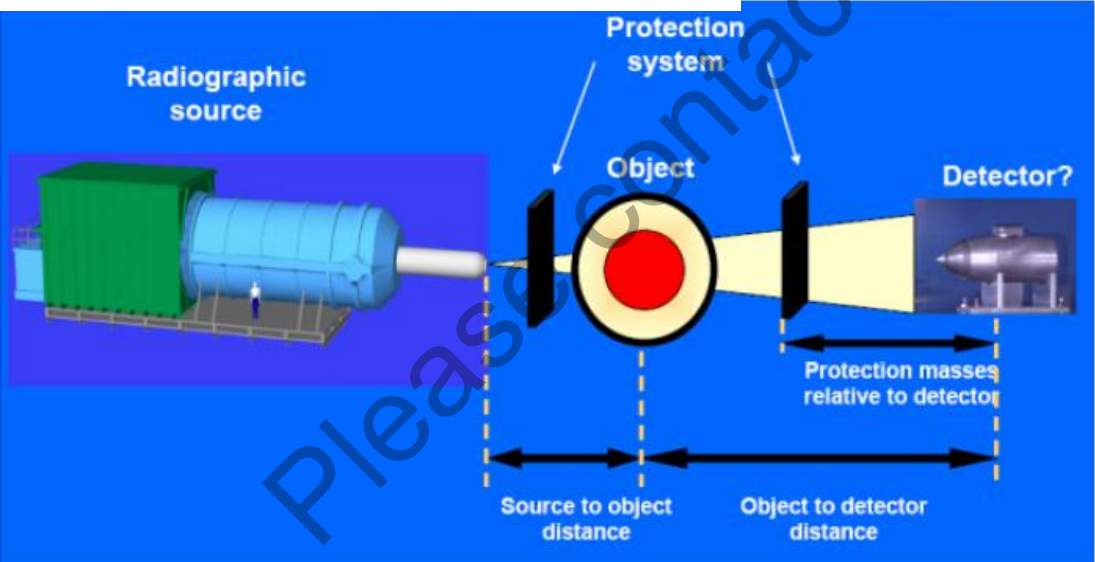
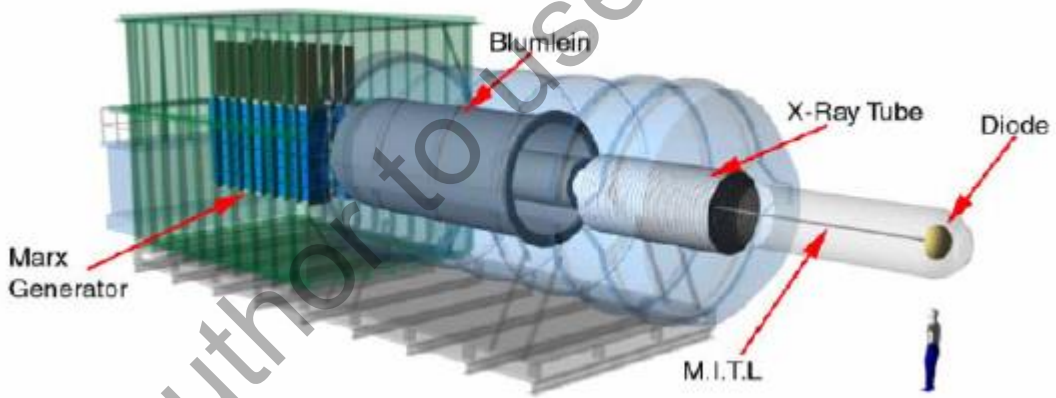
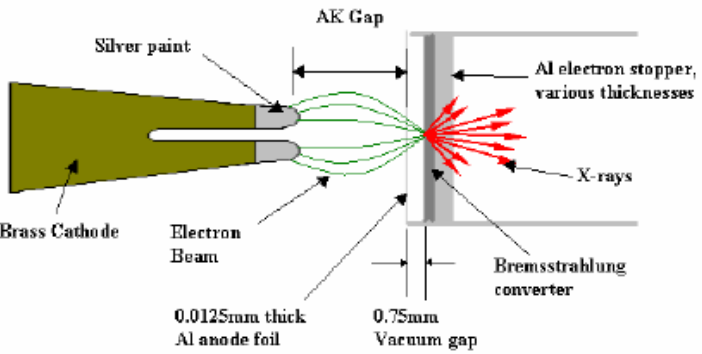
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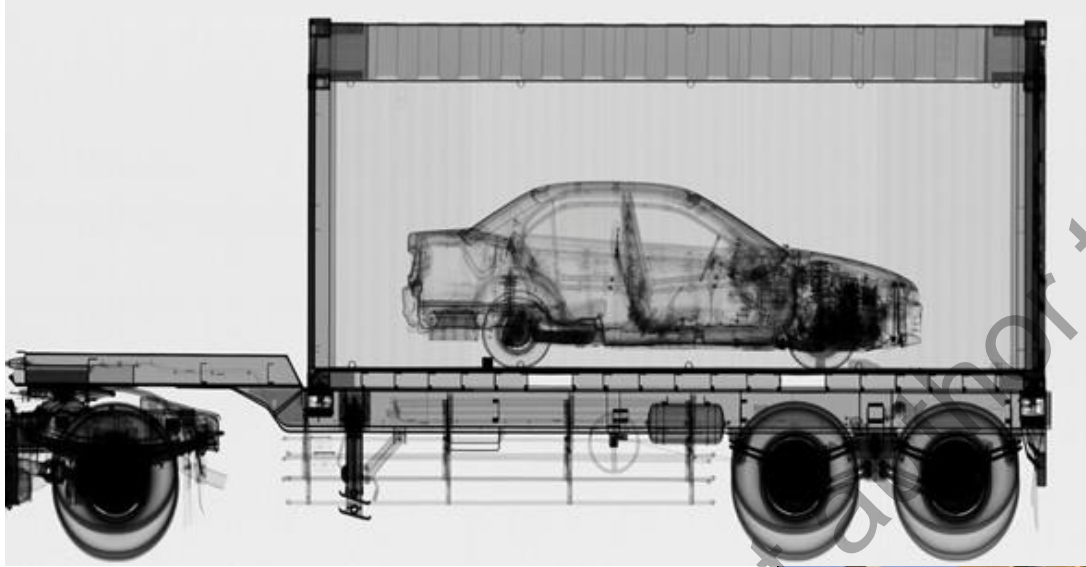
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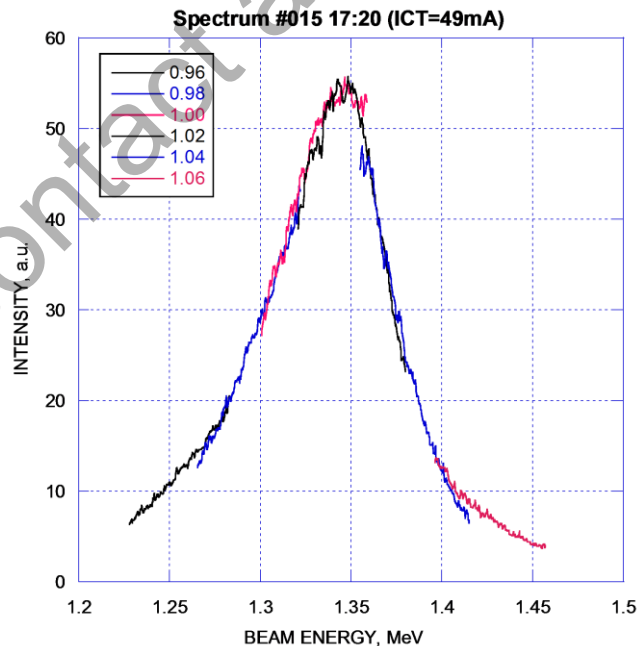
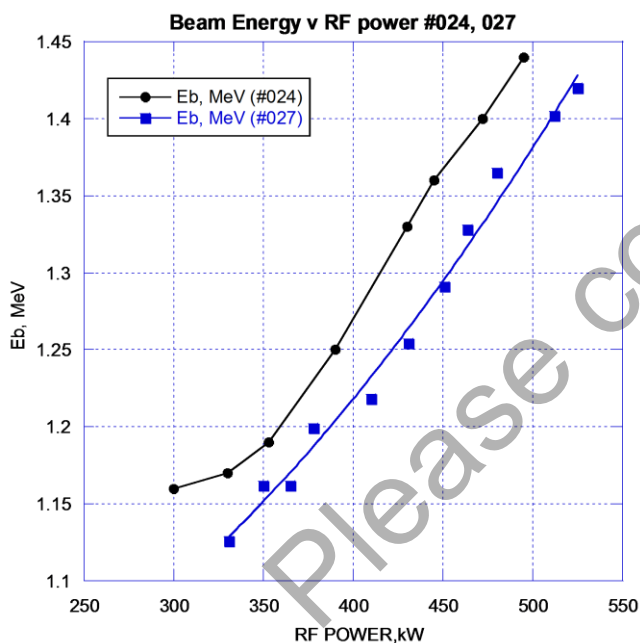
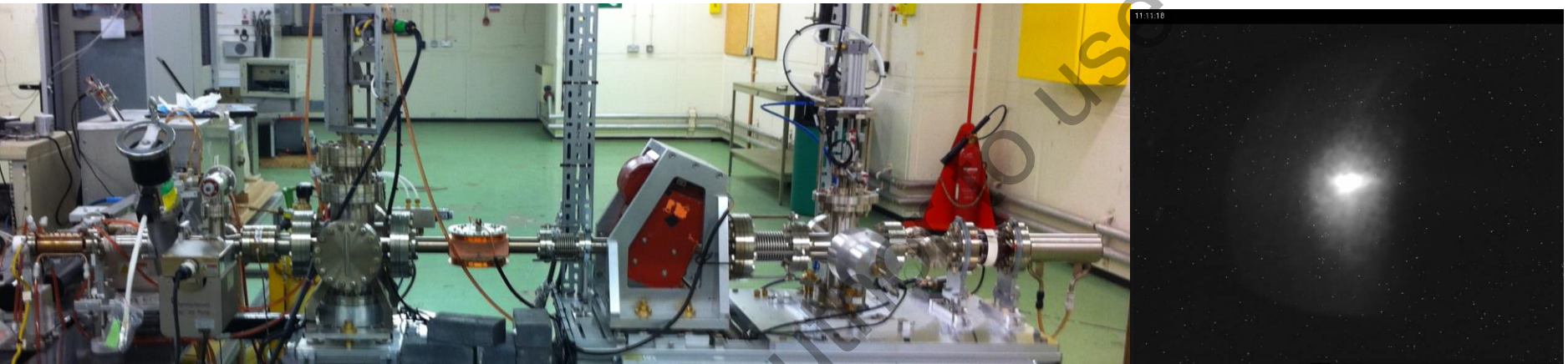
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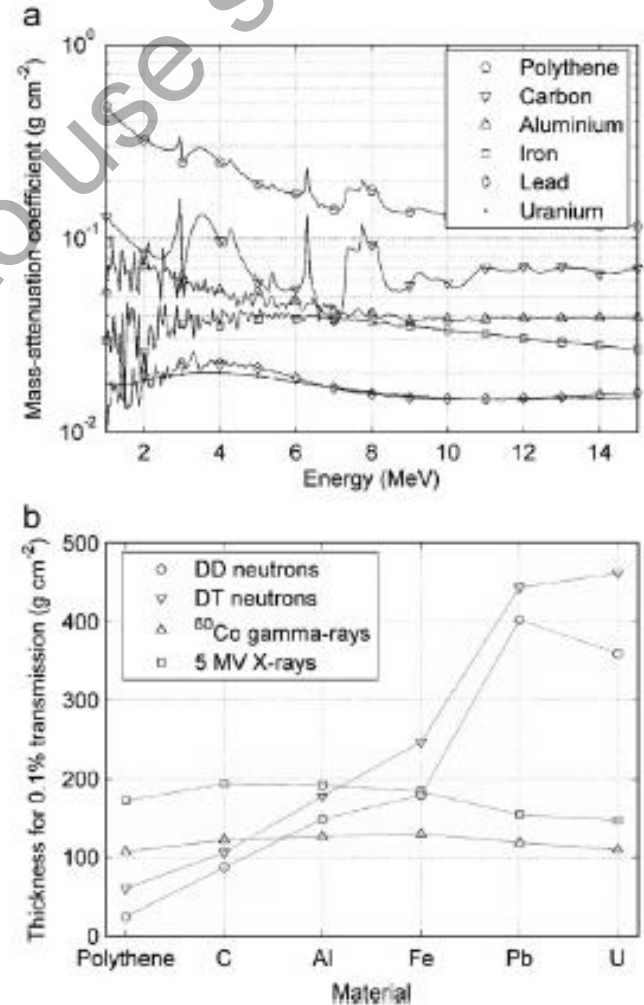
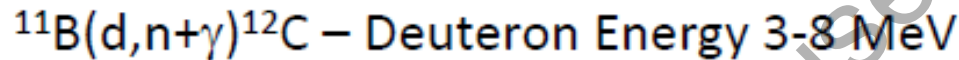
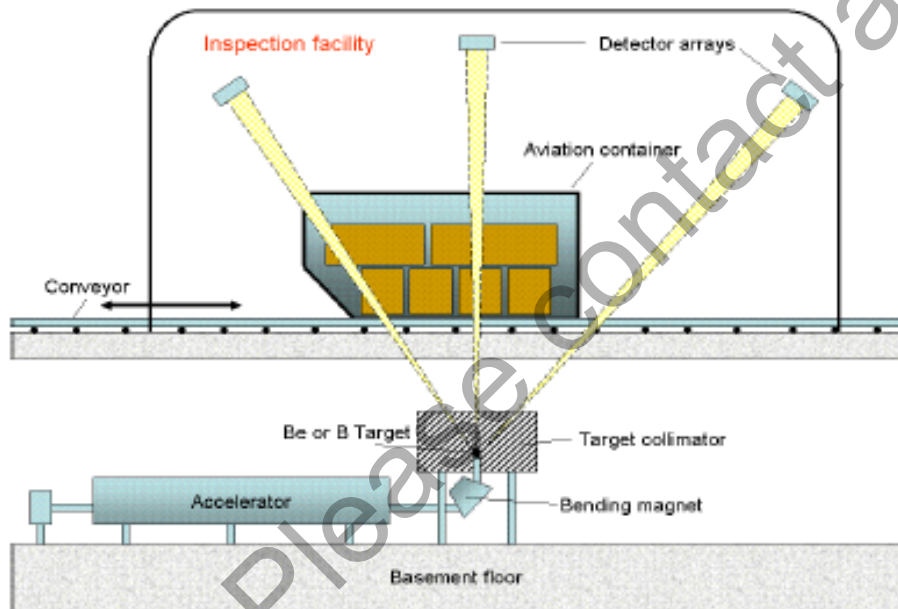


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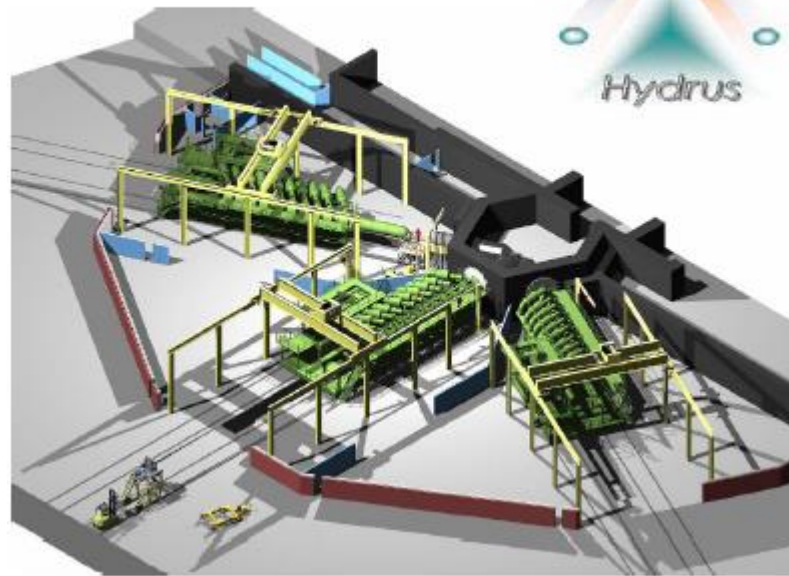
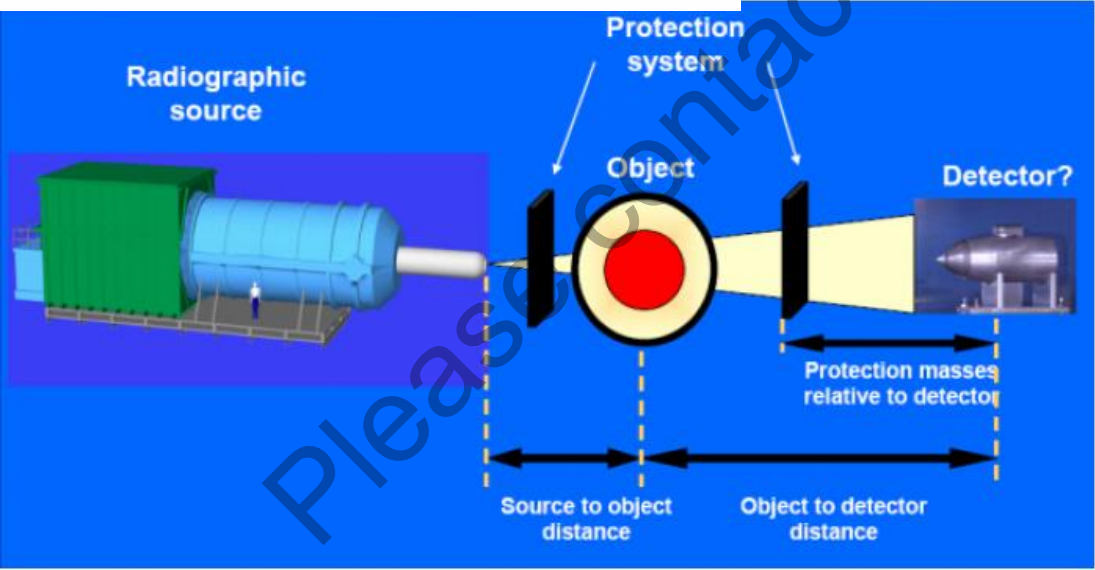
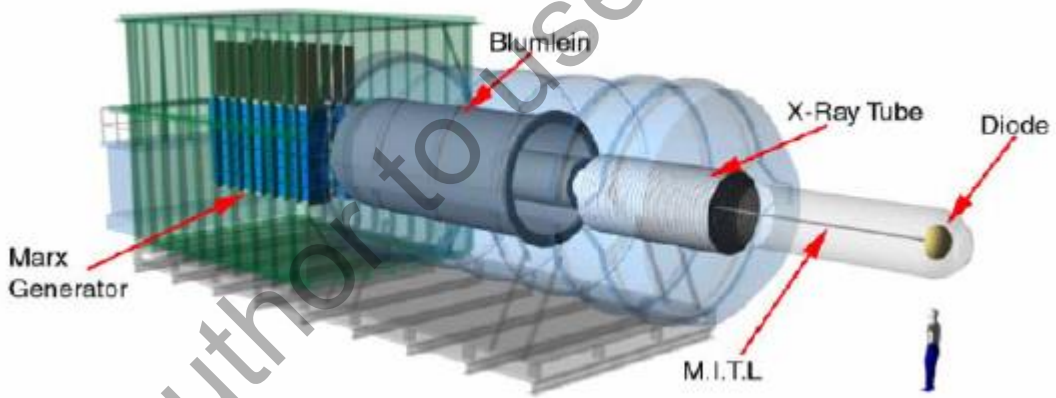
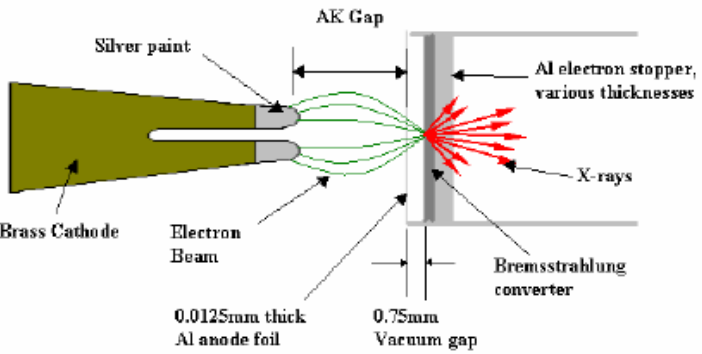
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Energy session: discussion topics

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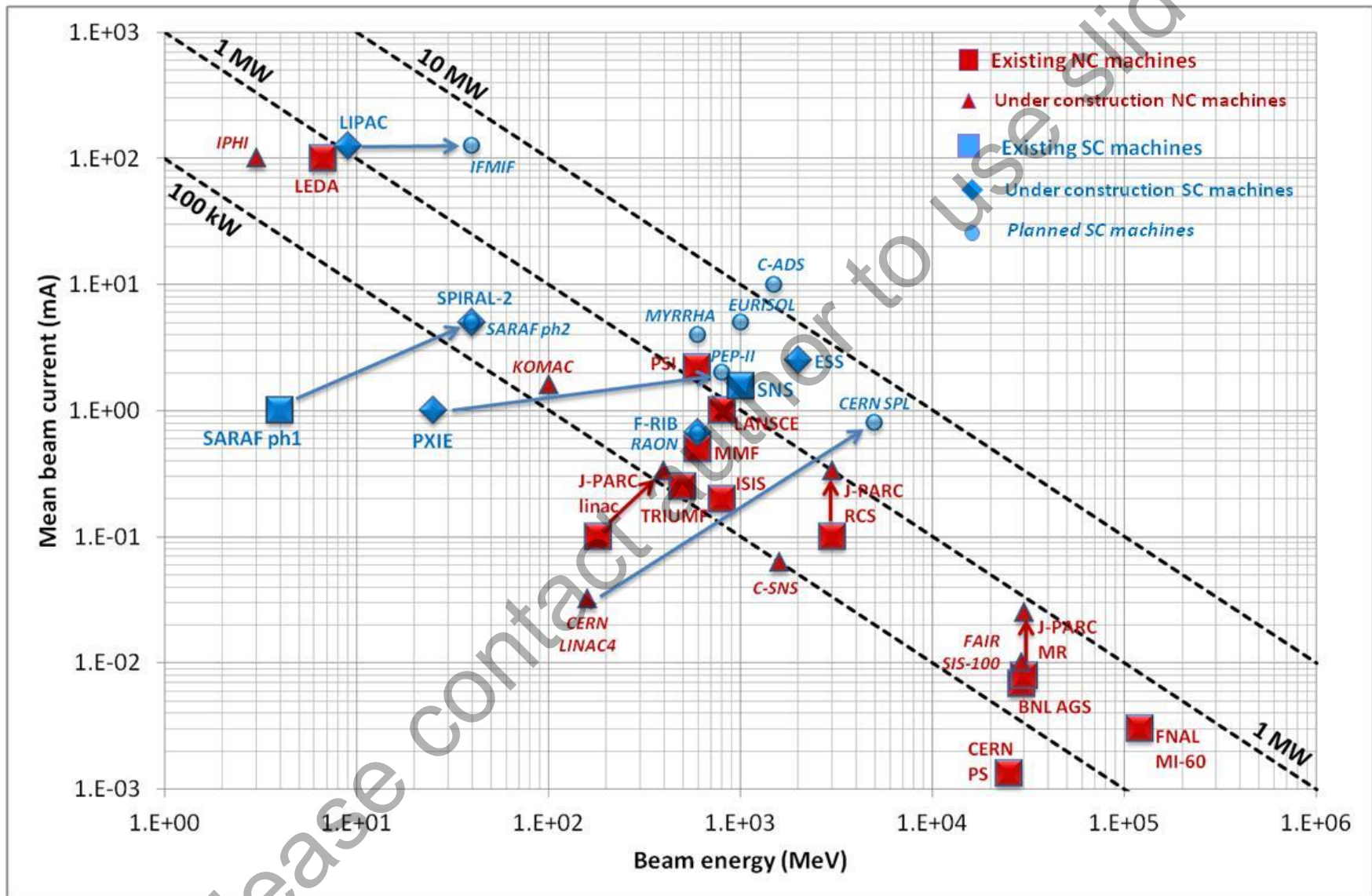
Main challenges

- Beam power levels
- Accelerator reliability requirements
- More generally, lack of clear view on the future of nuclear energy (at least in Europe...)

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Beam power levels

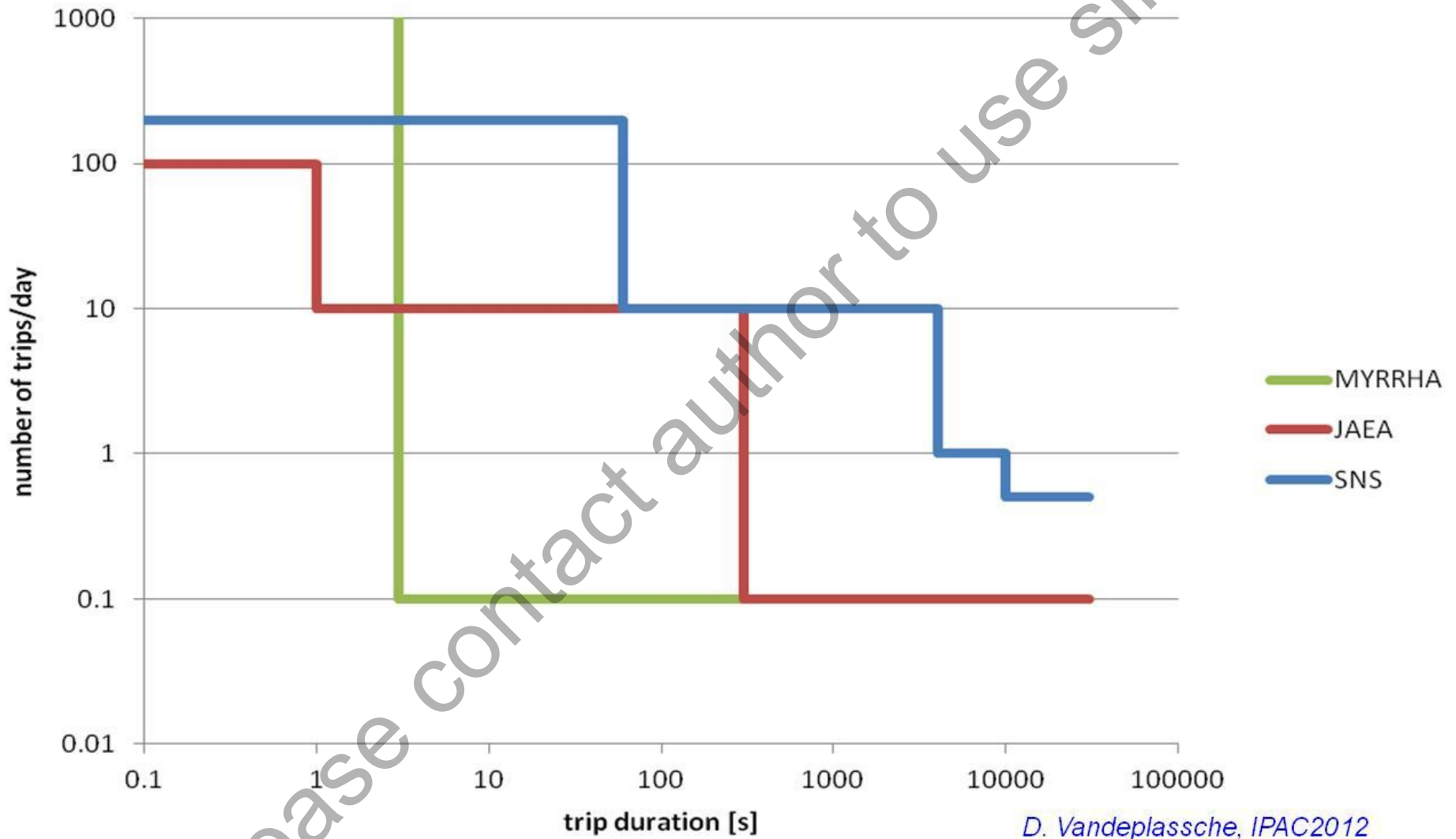
- Multi-MW hadron beams
 - Demo LIPAC: 1.1 MW
 - IFMIF: 5 MW
 - MYRRHA: 2.4 MW
- State of the art is 1.3MW (PSI, SNS)
- Adequate present technology for HP proton linac is SRF
 - ESS is now under construction @5MW
- Main challenges
 - High beam current production/transport
 - Low-loss machine operation (low activation for maintenance)
 - High Power components (RF, beam instrumentation...)
 - Machine protection
 - Energy efficiency
- Up to which power level in the future using these technologies ?
- What will the future needs? 10-100 MW for ADS?



Non exhaustive plot !

Reliability requirement

- 250h MTBF for Myrrha
 - 2/3 orders of magnitude higher than state-of-the-art
- Induced extra-cost & extra-complexity is high
 - Redundant systems
 - New generation innovative control systems
 - A lot of additional R&D is needed in general
- Justification for such a requirement is to be reinforced
 - Could this requirement be relaxed? Cf Chinese-ADS
 - What to expect for industrial ADS?



Future of nuclear energy

- Fusion
 - ITER
 - DEMO, Post DEMO ???
- Fusion
 - Gen IV
 - Transmutation & ADS??
- Politics/support
 - Euratom is (one of the only?) clear support
 - Several different national policies/flavours on these issues... NO CONSENSUS presently

Industry and Environment: ions

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What is Ion Implantation?

Ion Implantation refers to an energetic process by which impurity atoms are introduced into the *near surface* of a material to change its *electrical, optical or materials* properties:

Doping in semiconductors

Device isolation in integrated circuits

Compound synthesis

Defect Engineering

Waveguides and optical devices

Anti-fouling

Wear resistance in metals - hip replacement

Tumour therapy

Etc, etc, etc,.....



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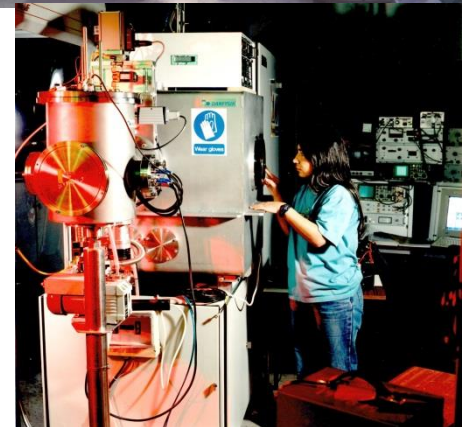
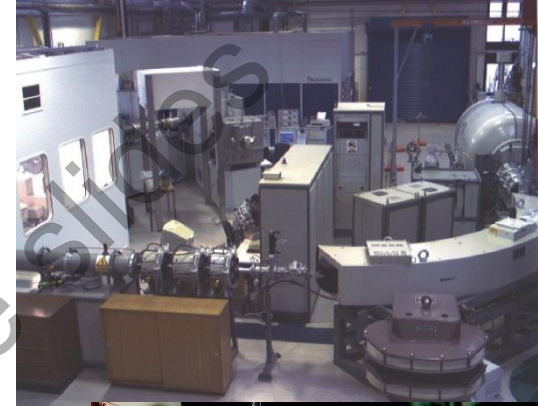
• Controllable Materials Modification

– Facilities

- 0.2-2MV HVEE High Energy Implanter (1991)
- 2-200kV Danfysik High Current Implanter (1997)
- Implantation 2keV \Rightarrow 4MeV (up to 10mA)
- Sample size $\frac{1}{4}$ mm² to $\frac{1}{4}$ m²
- Hot (1000°C) or cold (~LN & 20K)
- Sample chambers in class 100 clean room

– Applications

- Ion Implantation
- Defect Engineering
- Single ion implantation with high spatial resolution
 - **Bio clean room with targeting facility**
- Proton beam lithography (using Tandem)
 - **potentially nm resolution to 10 μ m depths**
- Ion Beam Synthesis
 - **Buried and surface oxides, silicides etc**



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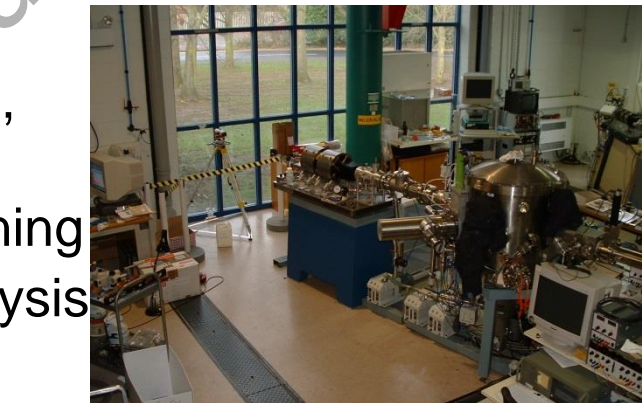
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• **Advanced Materials Analysis**

– **Facilities**

- 2MV Tandem (commissioned 2002)
- Techniques include RBS, EBS, ERD, PIXE, NRA
- Sub micron size micro-beam with full scanning
- Channelling spectroscopy for damage analysis
- Automated collection and analysis
- External Beam for vacuum sensitive samples

– **Applications**

- Thin Film Depth Profiling
- Compositional Analysis
- Disorder Profiling of Crystals
- 3-D elemental composition and mapping



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Conclusions

- Implant is versatile and can bring positive benefits to many material systems
- The implant hardware is well understood and characterised however the target behaviour requires careful thought in some materials
- Emerging tools require development for specific applications – this requires knowledgeable companies and is very leading edge (SIMPLE!!!)
- Funding is tough, trust is expensive. Keep your customers.



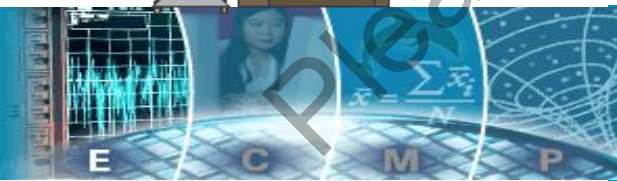
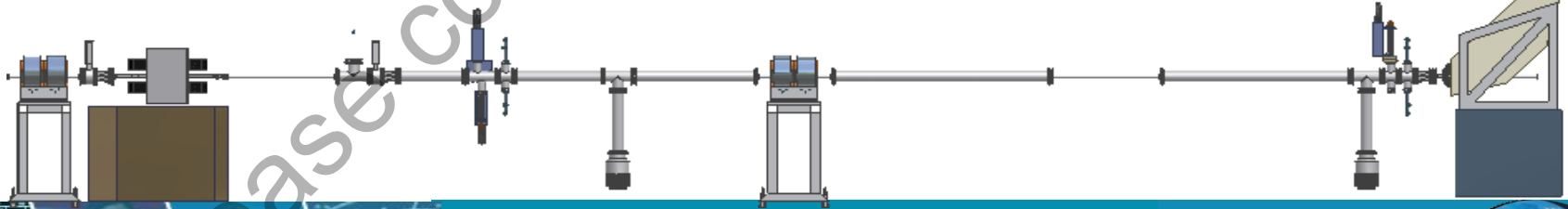
- **Bio-medical Irradiation Facility**

- **Facilities**

- Targeted (~30nm) single ion irradiation
- End Station in Cat 2 biological clean room
- Vertical Arrangement to allow irradiation of living cells in liquid cultural
- Looking for 10,000 cell irradiations per hour
- Ions up to Ca from 2MVTandem
- Environmental chamber, incubators etc.

- **Applications**

- Cell Irradiation
- Proton/hadron therapy research
- Continuous mode for in-situ analysis



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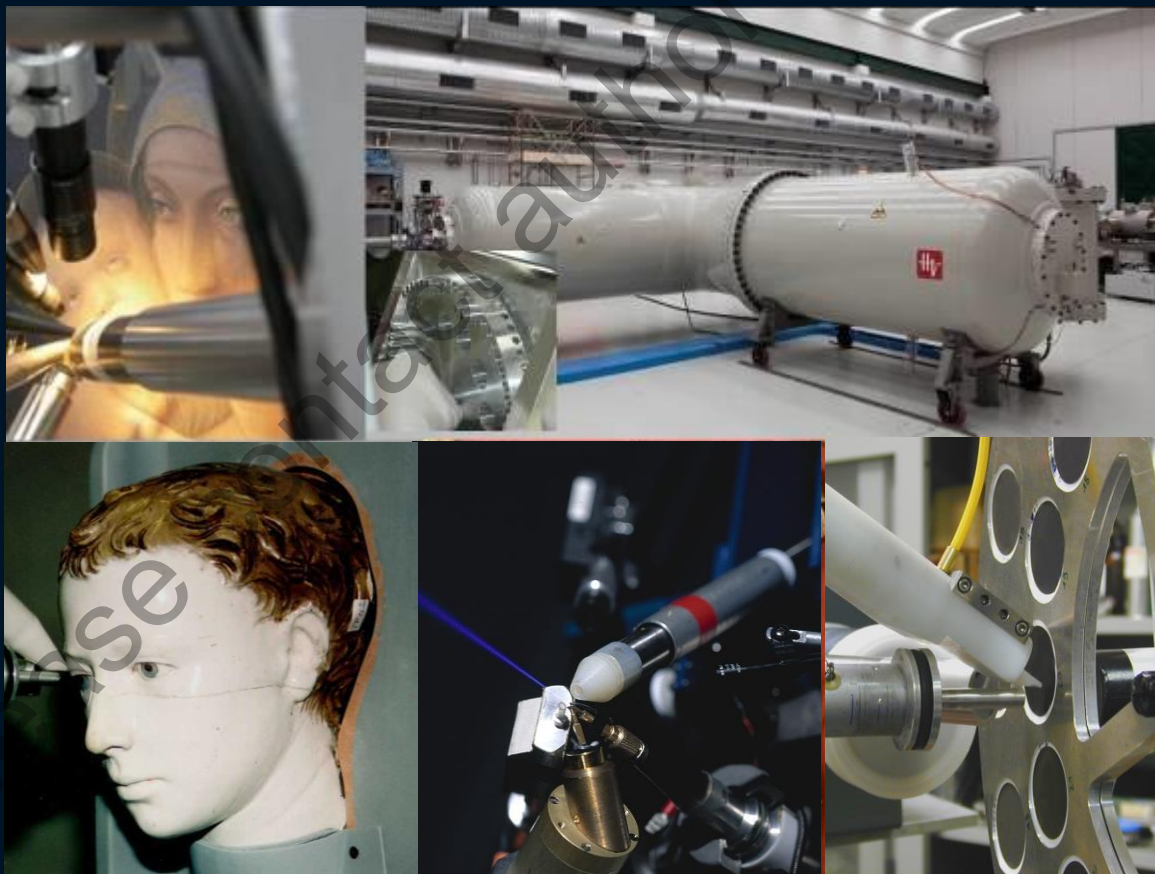
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Ion Beam Analysis for Environmental and Cultural Heritage studies

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PIXE technique for
aerosol pollution studies

Conclusions (I)

- The use of a proper experimental set-up is a prerequisite for a rational application of PIXE for aerosol analysis
- The high sensitivity-rapidity of PIXE makes the use of this technique a feasible approach to study the impact of desert dust over representative long periods and for extended monitoring networks
- The use of a streaker sampler followed by PIXE analysis produces elemental concentrations with 1-h resolution which help to identify the aerosol sources in urban or industrial areas
- The possibility to analyze by PIXE samples with very low mass :without any samples preparation is useful for the analysis of the aerosol collected in remote areas
- ✓ **It is mandatory to collaborate with other groups (chemists, geologists, physicists....)**
- ✓ **Partecipate to aerosol conferences and publish on “non nuclear physics” journals**
- ✓ **Partecipate to all the steps of the study, not only to the measurements**

Ion Beam Analysis techniques for Art and Archaeology



LABEC – Laboratorio di Tecniche Nucleari per l'Ambiente
e i Beni Culturali

Which IBA techniques to use in archaeology ?

Materials identification

- *analysis of major elements by PIXE and PIGE*

Materials provenance

(sources of raw materials and trade routes)

- *analysis of trace elements by PIXE*

Manufacture technology

- *High spatial resolution required: lateral by μ -PIXE, in depth by RBS*

Which IBA techniques to use conservation science ?

Evaluation of the state of conservation of museum objects
study of alteration of the surface

➤ *depth profiling by RBS, ERDA and NRA*

Preventive conservation

monitoring the museum environment (air)

➤ *analysis of aerosols collected on filters in museums by PIXE*

Conclusions

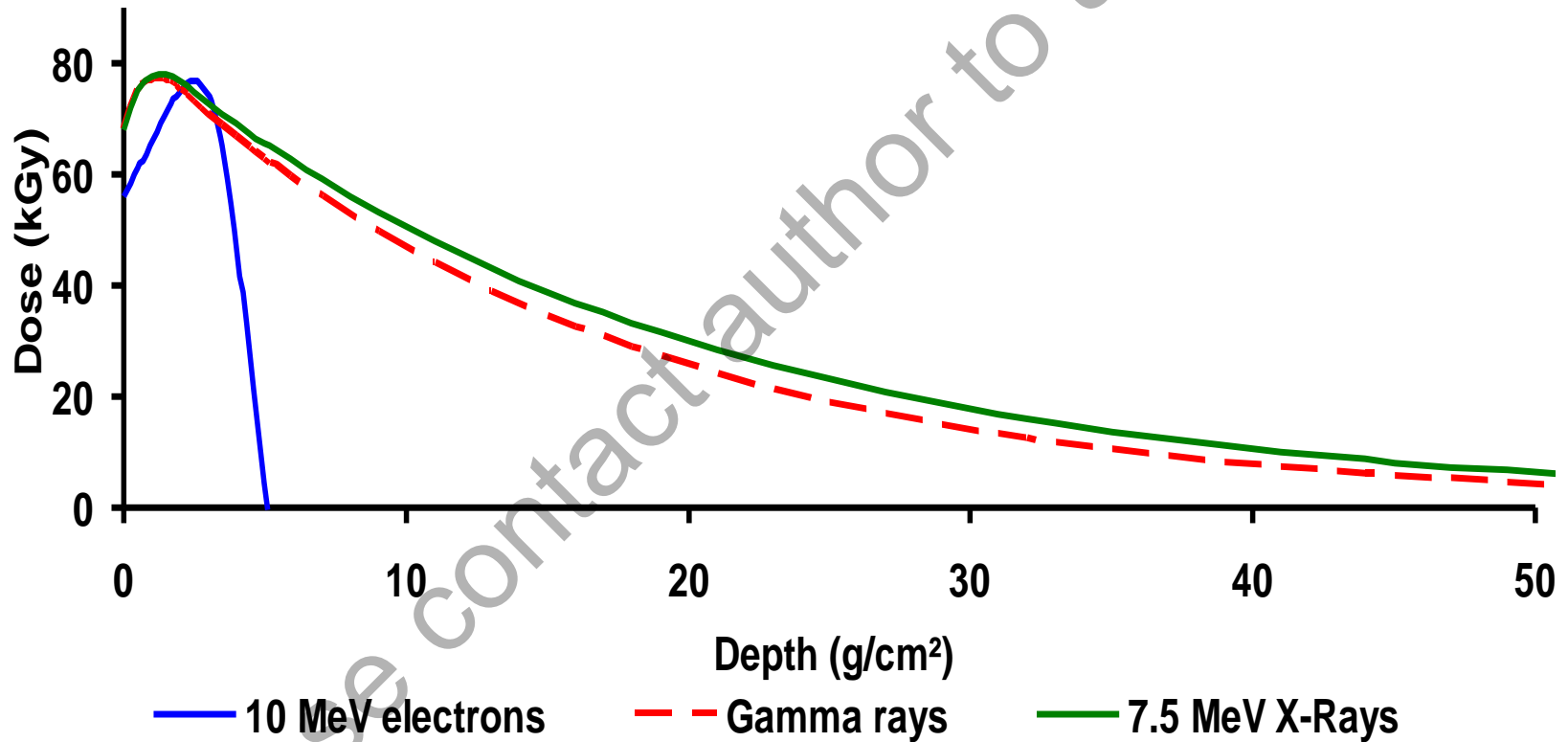
- Also for cultural heritage applications a proper experimental set-up is mandatory
- A strong collaboration with restorators, art historians, is necessary
- IBA must be used when portable techniques cannot give equivalent information



Industry and Environment: e- beams

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Gamma Ray and X-ray Penetration



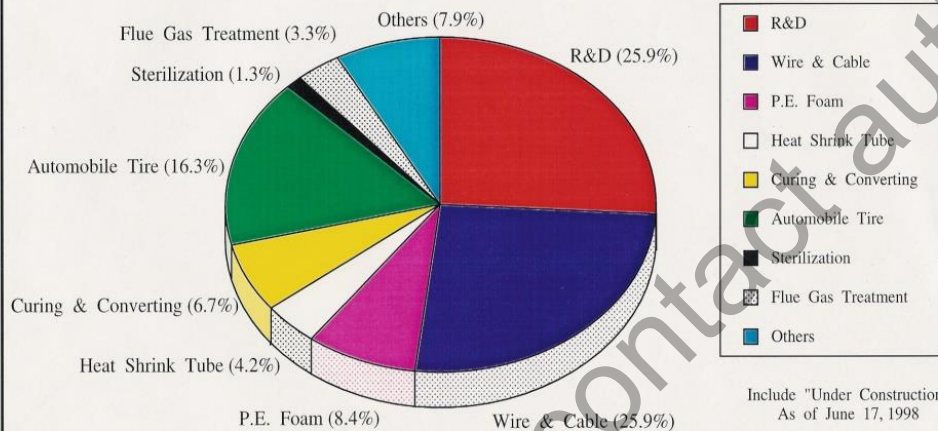
Accelerators for different applications

Market segment	Typical energy	Electron penetration
Surface curing	80 – 300 keV	0.4 mm
Shrink film	300-800 keV	2 mm
Wire & Cable	0.4 – 3 MeV	11 mm
Sterilization	4 – 10 MeV	38 mm
Food	4 – 10 MeV	38 mm
Composites (carbon fiber)	10 MeV	24 mm or less
Flue gas	300 – 1000keV	120cm do 3m
Wastewater	1MeV	2mm
Biological sludge	1 – 10 MeV	2mm do 30mm

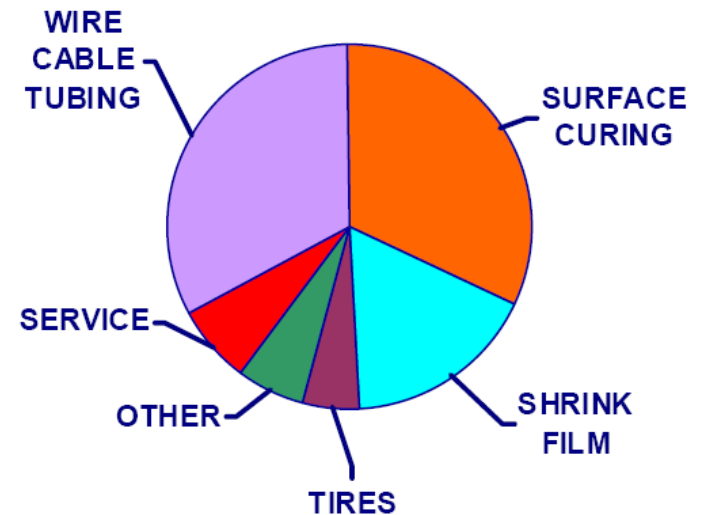
Industries using electron accelerators



Total Number of EB System

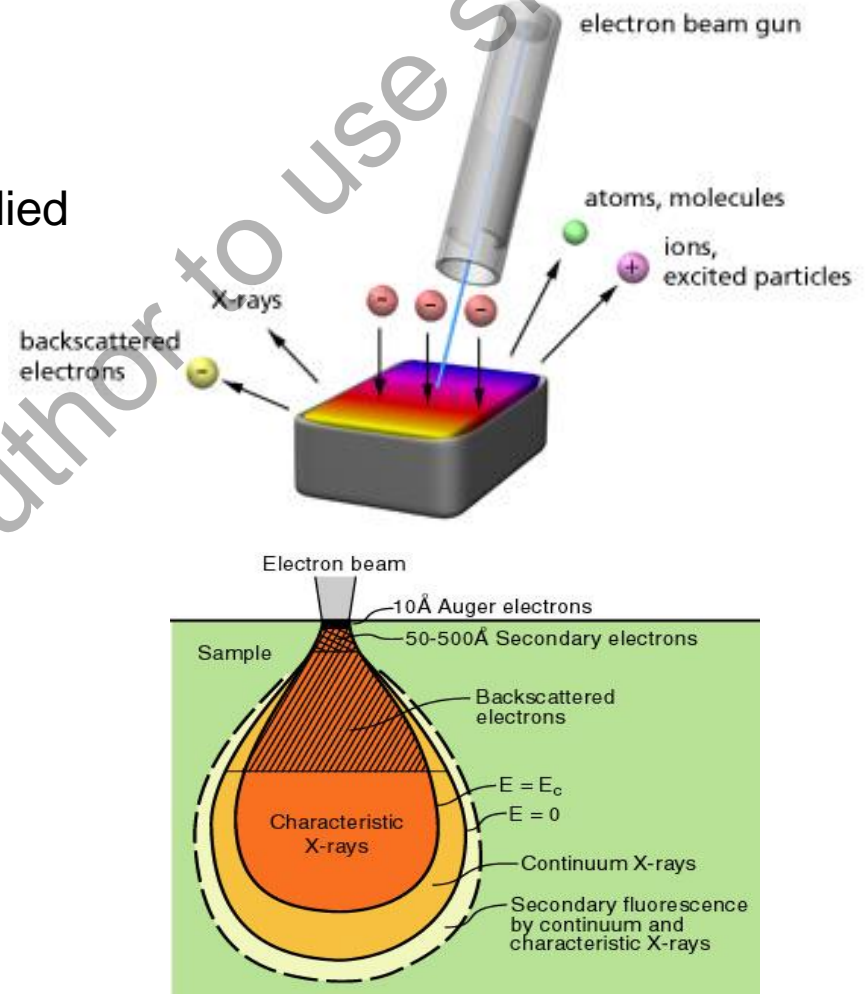
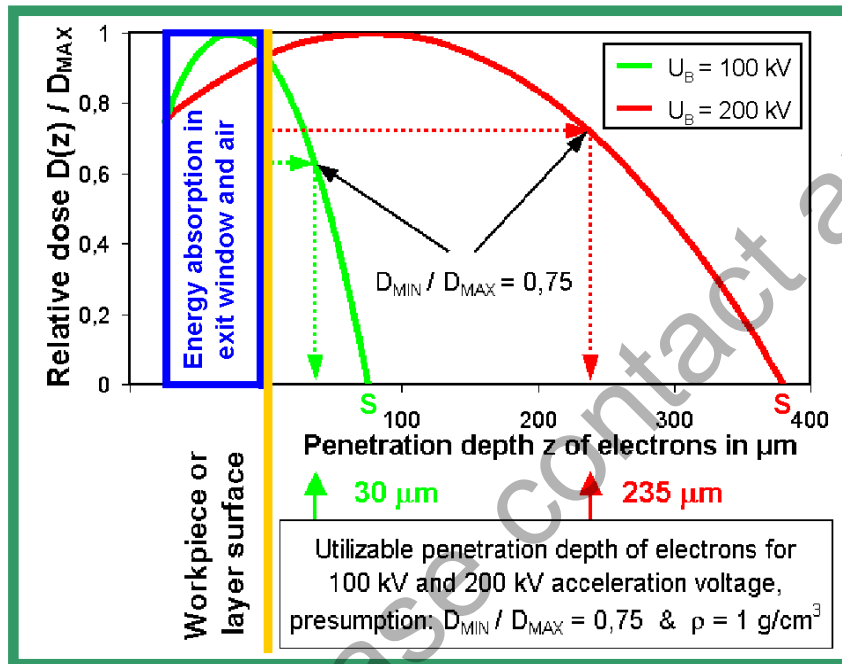


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Electron Beam Processing - General

- Different interactions of accelerated electrons with matter
- Each interaction is technological applied



Electron Beam Processing - General

Effects of Electron Beam Interaction

Thermal Processes

Heat Production

Vacuum

- Evaporation
- Melting
- Welding / Joining
- Hardening
- Micro- structuring

Non-thermal Processes

Chemical Reactions

Atmosphere

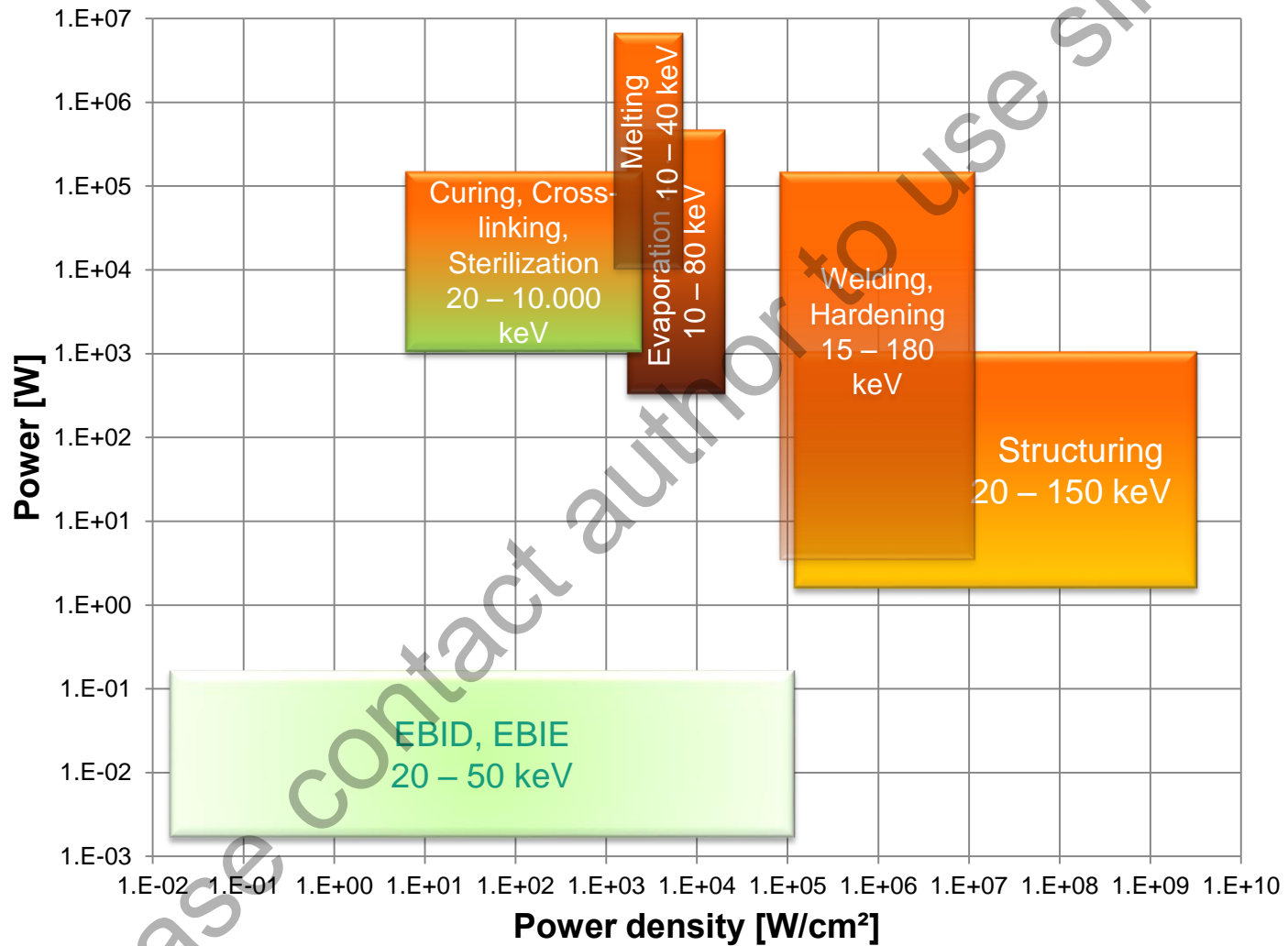
- Curing
- Crosslinking
- Drying print-inks
- Surface modification (Grafting)

Biocidal Effects

Atmosphere

- Disinfection of animal feed
- Seed treatment
- Sterilisation of products
- Sterile packaging
- Inactivation of pharma waste

Electron Beam Processing - General



4. “Hot Spots/Highlights” of Low-Energy EB-Applications

(Examples)

■ 4.1. Sterilization Lines of Pharmaceutical Syringe Filling Tubs

- Linac-Getinge
- Metall + Plastic
- IBA Industrial Inc.

■ 4.2. Sterilization of Bottles

- Krones AG, Neutraubling/Germany
- Hitachi Zosen (No Europe)

■ 4.3. Sterilization of Water

- 4.3.1. Krones AG, Neutraubling/Germany
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4. “Hot Spots/Highlights” of Low-Energy EB-Applications

(Examples)

■ 4.4. Cleaning of Gases

- IOM Leipzig/Germany and FZK Karlsruhe/Germany

■ 4.5. Disinfection of Seeds

- Fraunhofer FEP Dresden/Germany

■ 4.6. Crosslinking of Polymers

- CFS Kempten – Schur Flexibles Dixie GmbH Kempten –
ConFlex Packaging GmbH Kempten/Germany
- DTS-Systemoberflächen GmbH – Oberhausen/Germany
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4. “Hot Spots/Highlights” of Low-Energy EB-Applications

(Examples)

■ 4.7. Coating/Printing of Decor Foils

- FEP Dresden/Germany in Coop with MEC Alsdorf/Germany (in 1995)
- Fachhochschule München/Germany, (Experimental Pilot Plant)
- DTS-Systemoberflächen GmbH, D-39291 Möckern/Germany
- SURTECO-Süddekor GmbH, Laichingen/Germany

■ 4.8. Lacquer Curing on Furnitures

- FEP Dresden/Germany in Coop with MZI, Kraft and Kampmeier (in 2000)
- Scannery Holztechnik GmbH, Falkenhagen/Germany

Summary

- Electron beam technology is an all-round tool for application in different industries
- Processing by electron beam means:
 - energy efficiency
 - very high processing speed
 - environmental friendly
 - long term stability
 - Vacuum or non-vac processing

Summary

- Actually market trends
 - Rising EB-technology implementation driven by energy, environment, throughput, quality arguments
 - Online dosimetry will become a key part of quality ensurance
 - Need of compact design for production line implementation
 - Thermal application have a markable part of industrial application
 - Food safety and plant protection will become more importance

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Metrology and Accelerator Applications

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Aims and capabilities

Role: Ensure measurements in the UK are consistent and to the required accuracy

The Neutron Metrology Group, NMG, provides:

Characterised neutron fields

Traceable calibrations

Type test facilities

Neutron spectrometry capabilities (field mmts)

Research into dosimetry techniques

Proton and ion beam dosimetry at NPL

- development of a primary standard for protons and ions based on a portable graphite calorimeter
- improved measurements of the mean energy required to produce an ion pair in air for ionisation chamber dosimetry in proton and ion beams
- improved measurement and simulation using Monte Carlo methods of ionisation chamber perturbation factors;
- characterisation of energy dependent absorbed dose response of relative dosimeters: alanine, radiochromic film
- Improved dose conversion from different materials to water
- develop SQUID-based micro-calorimeter to measure ion beam microdosimetric spectra to underpin the definition of more biologically relevant quantity for radiotherapy.

Looking to the future

(accelerator-based neutron metrology in Europe)

- PTB Germany
 - Approval for new Tandetron 2 MV accelerator granted
 - Under construction by HVEE in Amersfoort/Netherlands
 - Expected delivery Q2-Q3 2016
- IRSN France
 - Already have a 2 MV Tandetron from HVEE
 - Off-line 2014 – 2016 for installation of 2nd beam line for microbeam facility
- NPL
 - Discussions re: accelerator replacement at early stage

2011 EMRP bid for HE Neutron

Reference Fields (Fai



- Secondary radiation produced during ion (proton / carbon) therapy consists primarily of high-energy neutrons
- Characterization and calibration of dosimeters used in such fields require traceable neutron reference fields in the energy ranges under consideration (up to “a few 100 MeV”)
- No metrological facilities for this purpose in Europe
- Several proton / carbon ion therapy centres already in operation and more will start treatment in next few years
- There is a need to provide metrological infrastructure for such reference fields and provide them to stakeholders
- Proposed to develop such reference fields at existing proton therapy facilities.