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SOLARIS  
NATIONAL SYNCHROTRON  
RADIATION CENTRE

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# Commissioning of high-power RF at Solaris Light Source

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*On behalf of Solaris Team*

- 1. Introduction to Solaris project**
- 2. Injector**
- 3. Storage ring**
- 4. Installation**
- 5. Commissioning**

SOLARIS @ Jagiellonian University new Campus:  
Czerwone Maki 98, Kraków, Poland



## The motivation

- Polish synchrotron radiation users community - >300
- Polish Synchrotron Radiation Users Society (PTPS)
- Polish Synchrotron Consortium – 36 members
- Long lasting initiative to built a SR source in PL
- **2009 – 40 M€ package assigned**

## The goal

- The best possible synchrotron radiation source for the money
- Upgradable

## The context

- New MAX-IV facility in Lund - 2 rings:
- MAX IV ring: 3 GeV, 528m circumference
- MAX II replacement: 1.5 GeV, 96m circumference ring
- SOLARIS - **replica** of the new 1.5 GeV MAX-lab ring
- New MAX-lab magnet technology - Integrated Double Bend Achromats

*Courtesy of M.Stankiewicz*

## National Project, executed by Jagiellonian University

### Timetable

- Conceptual design 2009
- Project approved 2010
- Deadline: December 2015

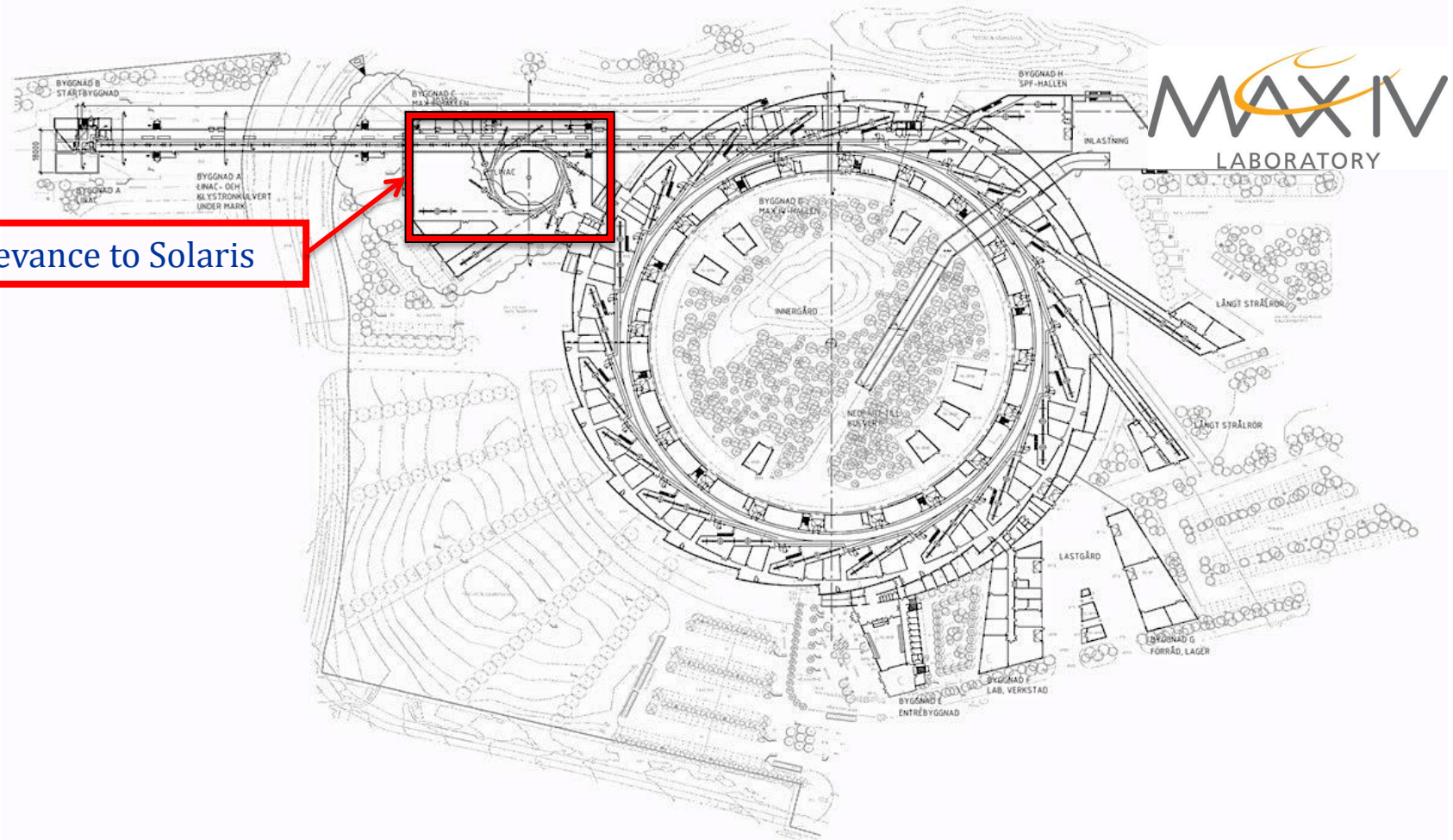
### Budget

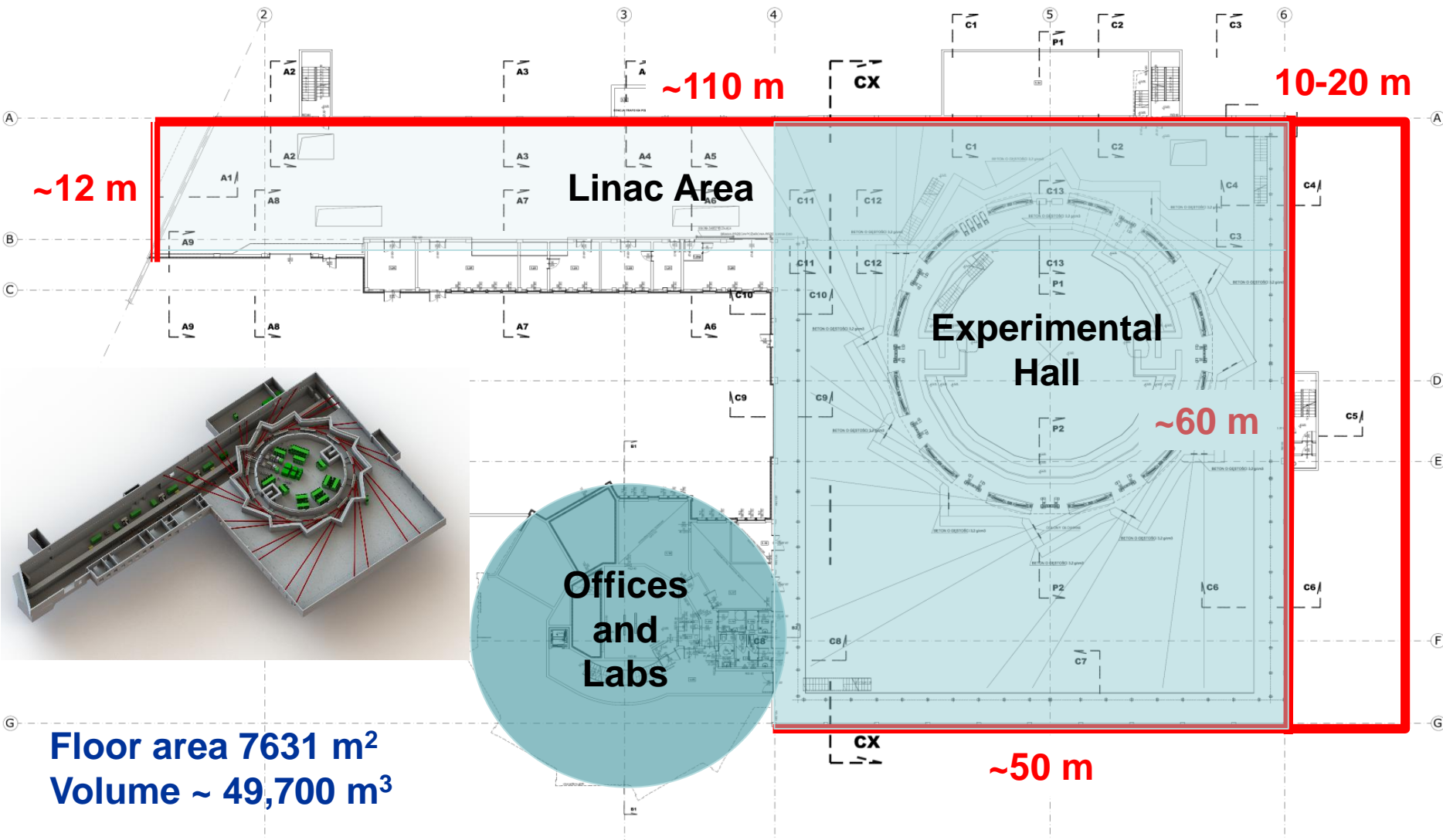
- 50 M€ - EU funds

### Deliverables

- Building (Land donated and administrative support by the Jagiellonian University)
- Machine (linac + synchrotron)
- 2 experimental beamlines: PEEM/ XAS and UARPES

Solaris is the replica of the 1.5 GeV MAX IV Storage Ring and part of the injector but Max IV design had to be adapted to SOLARIS building





**Floor area 7631 m<sup>2</sup>**  
**Volume ~ 49,700 m<sup>3</sup>**

Storage Ring Parameters	Value
Energy	1.5 GeV
Current	500 mA
Circumference	96 m
Horizontal emittance (bare lattice)	5.982 nm rad
Coupling	1%
Tunes $Q_x, Q_y$	11.22, 3.15
Natural chromaticities $\xi_x, \xi_y$	-22.96, -17.14
Momentum compaction	$3.055 \times 10^{-3}$
Momentum acceptance	4%
Overall Lifetime	13 hrs



Injector Parameters	Value
Energy max	600 MeV
Bunch charge	0.1 nC
Emitance (geom, rms) x/y	3.1 / 2.0 nm rad
Energy spread (rms)	0.23%
Bunch length (rms)	3.68 ps
Injection rep. rate	2 Hz (linac up to 100Hz)

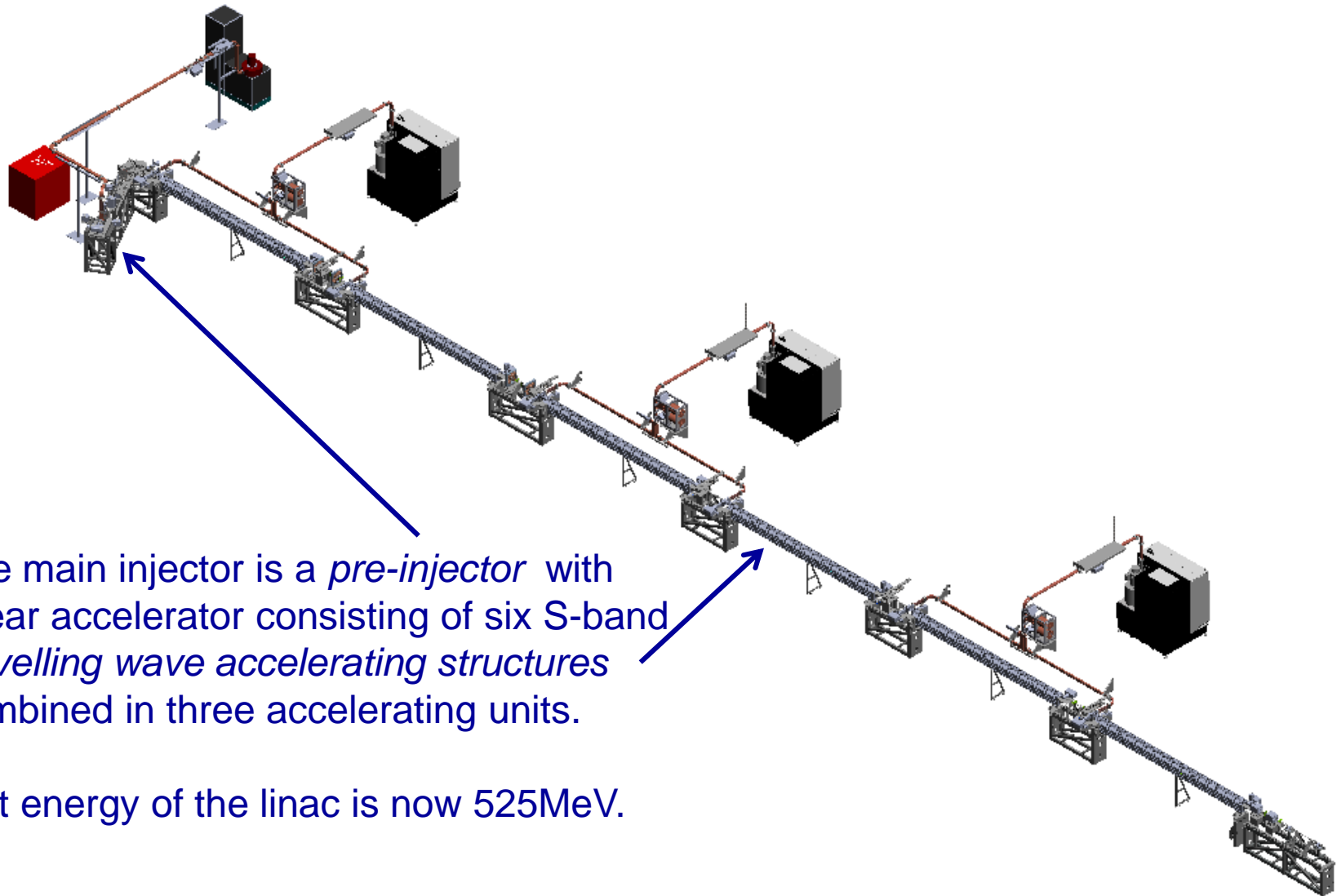


### Max IV

- Agreement established between Jagiellonian and Lund Universities for mutual cooperation in the construction of Solaris based on MAX IV.
- MAX IV freely giving all know-how, reports, designs, info on tenders, training, ..., to Solaris
- Solaris team (technical) is hosted at MAX IV and participate in project activities and training. Sharing of mutual resources and also providing a support to MAX IV.
- Procurements for Solaris are as options in MAX IV tenders.

### Elettra

- Commercial contract for expertize of activities in all aspects of synchrotron construction
- PSS design, design of transfer line, vacuum chamber components, beamline and front-end, EPU insertion device



The main injector is a *pre-injector* with linear accelerator consisting of six S-band *travelling wave accelerating structures* combined in three accelerating units.

Exit energy of the linac is now 525MeV.

## Isolator

- Manufacturer: AFT, Backnang – Waldrems, Germany
- Forward peak power: 20 MW
- Forward average power: 5 kW
- Reverse power: 100% at any phase
- Filled with SF<sub>6</sub>

## RF thermionic gun

- Manufacturer: Max IV, Lund, Sweden
- Cathode: BaO
- Energy of beam: 1.5-3 MeV
- Rep. Rate: 10Hz

## Stripline chopper to fit bunches time structure to the 100 MHz bucket

- Manufacturer: Max IV, Lund, Sweden

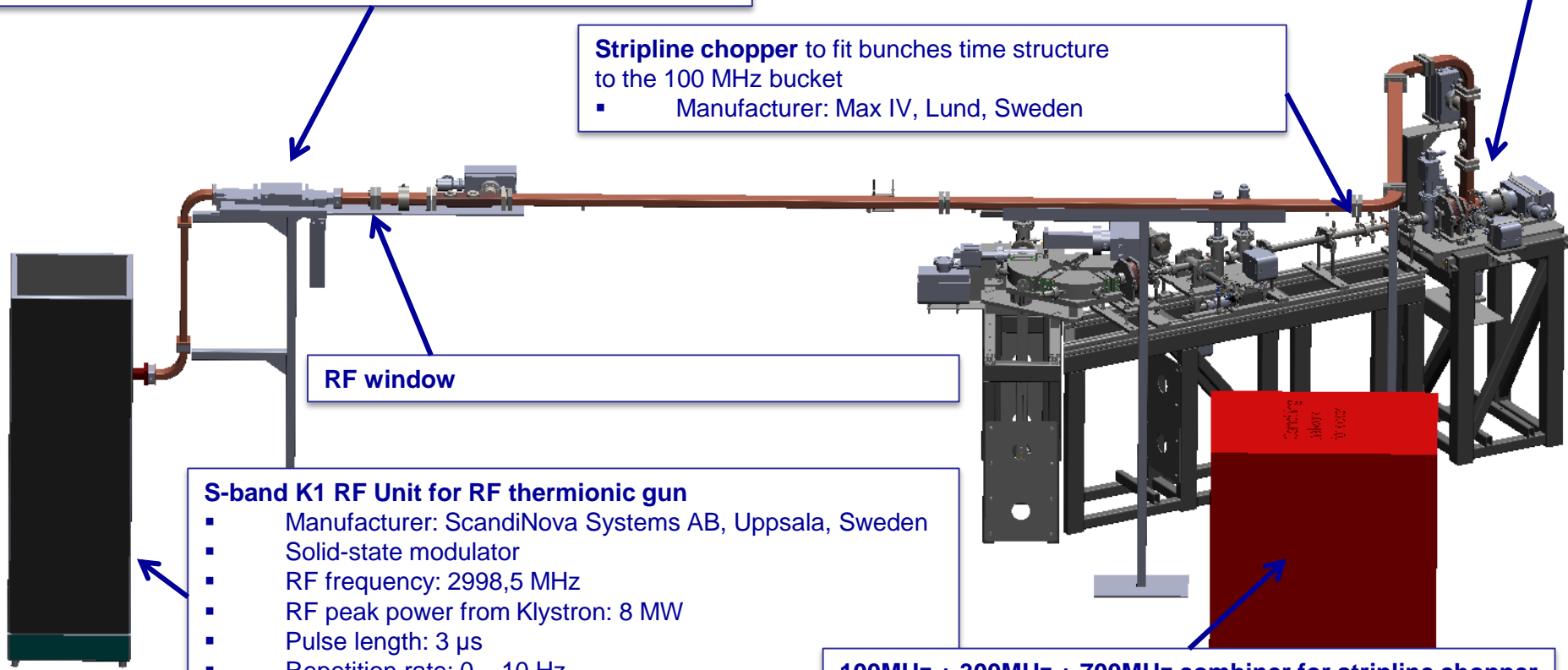
## RF window

## S-band K1 RF Unit for RF thermionic gun

- Manufacturer: ScandiNova Systems AB, Uppsala, Sweden
- Solid-state modulator
- RF frequency: 2998,5 MHz
- RF peak power from Klystron: 8 MW
- Pulse length: 3  $\mu$ s
- Repetition rate: 0 – 10 Hz
- Klystron: Toshiba TH2175A-1

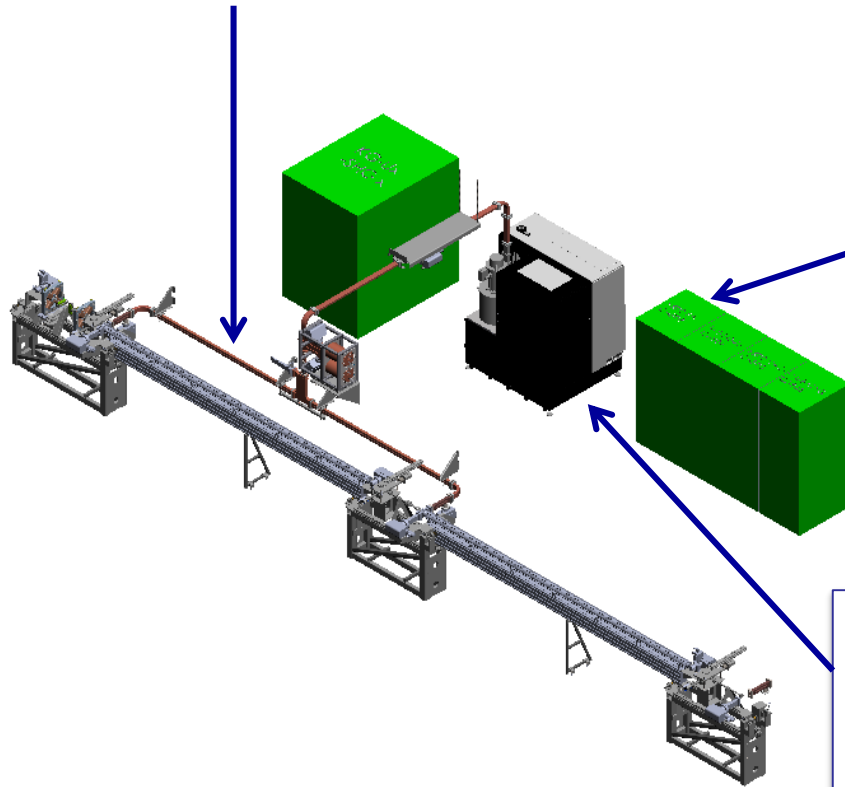
## 100MHz + 300MHz + 700MHz combiner for stripline chopper

- Manufacturer: Exir Broadcasting AB, Hörby, Sweden



## Waveguides

- Manufacturer: IHEP, Beijing, China
- Size: WR284
- Flanges: LIL for UHV, CPR for SF6



## „LLRF” for each RF Unit in the Linac

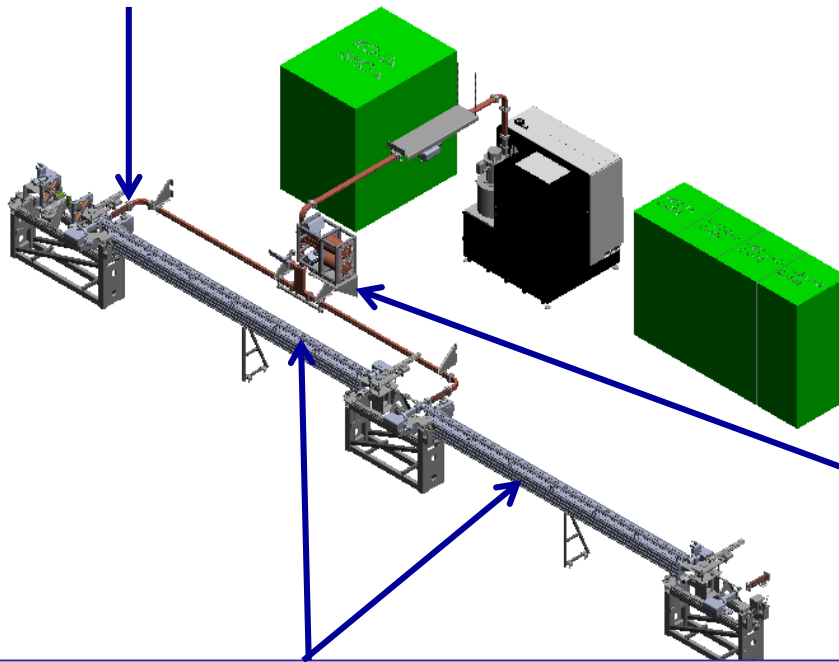
- Manufacturer: Max IV, Lund, Sweden
- Pulse shaping
- Phase adjustment
- 180° phase swap for SLED
- Open loop, no feedback

## S-band K2 RF Unit for accelerating sections

- Manufacturer: ScandiNova Systems AB, Uppsala, Sweden
- Solid-state modulator
- RF frequency: 2998,5 MHz
- RF peak power from Klystron: 37 MW
- Pulse length: 4,5  $\mu$ s
- Repetition rate: 0 - 100Hz
- Klystron: Toshiba E37310

## Waveguide directional couplers

- Manufacturer: Max IV, Lund, Sweden
- Flanges: LIL
- Coupling: 50 dB
- Some have CF40 port for ion pump connection



## SLED cavity with 3dB hybrid coupler

- Manufacturer: Research Instruments GmbH, Bergisch Gladbach, Germany

## Room temperature S-band travelling wave accelerating structure

- Manufacturer: Research Instruments GmbH, Bergisch Gladbach, Germany
- Resonant mode:  $2\pi/3$
- Accelerating gradient : 20MV/m
- Length: 5m

## 6 1/8" EIA rigid coax line and directional couplers

- Manufacturer: Exir Broadcasting AB, Hörby, Sweden

## Isolator

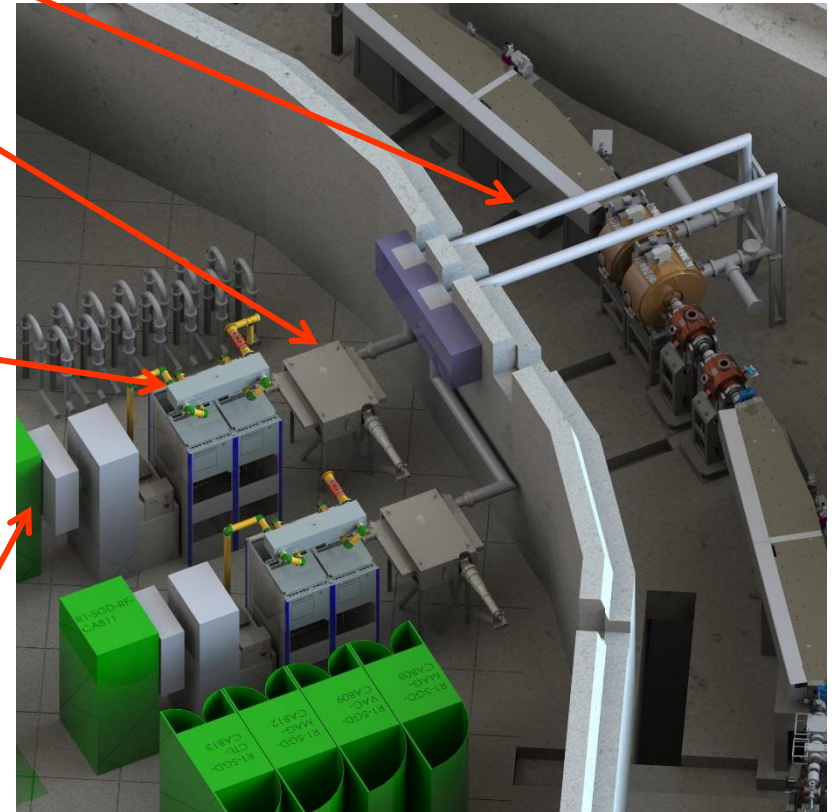
- Manufacturer: AFT, Backnang – Waldrems, Germany
- Forward peak power: 120 kW CW
- Reverse power: 100% at any phase

## 100MHz RF Transmitter THR9

- Manufacturer: Rohde & Schwarz GmbH, Germany
- Technology: Solid state
- RF frequency: 99,93 MHz
- RF peak power: 60 kW CW

## Digital LLRF for Storage Ring

- Manufacturer: ALBA, Barcelona, Spain
- Commercial  $\mu$ TCA board
- Control of amplitude and phase cavity voltage and resonance frequency control (Tuning)
- Safety Interlock and Diagnostic
- Fast data logger
- I/Q demodulation technique



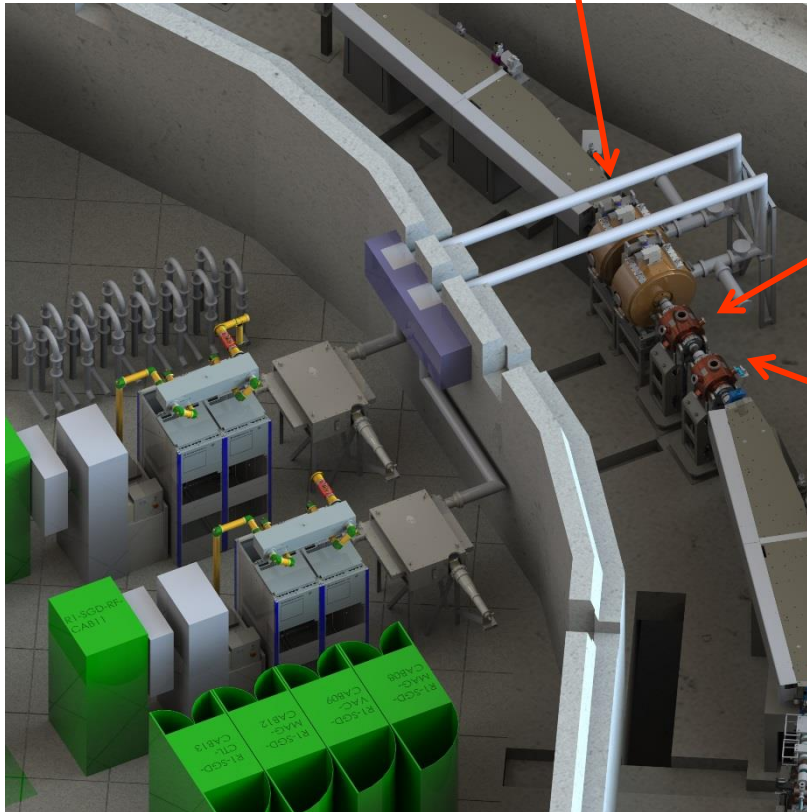
Two identical system for two cavities are controlled by LLRF

## 100MHz Main Cavity

- Manufacturer: Research Instruments GmbH, Bergisch Gladbach, Germany
- Upgraded MAX-Lab cavity
- Resonant frequency: 99,93 MHz
- Tuning range:  $\pm 540$  kHz
- Gap voltage: 300 kV

## 300MHz Landau Cavity

- Manufacturer: Research Instruments GmbH, Bergisch Gladbach, Germany
- Tuning range:  $\pm 550$  kHz
- Total voltage: 487 kV



## Plunger for fast detuning of Landau Cavity during injection and ramping

- Manufacturer: Measline Krakow, Poland
- Detuning range: 500 kHz



Expected beginning of installation: **December 2013**

Building handover: **05.05.2014**

Postponed installation caused logistic problems



**Accelerating structures (pressurized with N<sub>2</sub>) - building of Solaris in container**

**Waveguides (pressurized with N<sub>2</sub>)- storage place at Jagiellonian University**

**Main cavities (vacuum) - Max Lab, Sweden**

**Modulators + klystrons (vacuum) - Scandinova, Sweden**



**March 2014 at Max LAB**

**Good training to avoid assembly mistakes in Solaris**

**Delivered as a „plug-in” component**



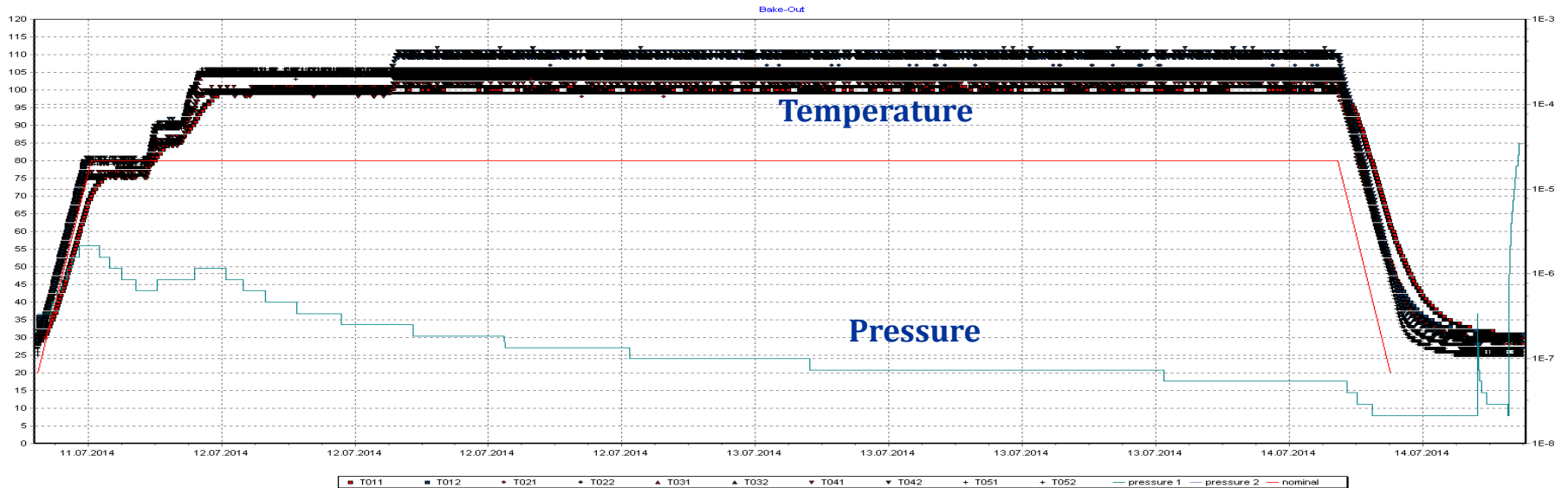
**Gun was conditioned in test-stand at Max LAB**



**June -July 2014**  
**3 days cycle at 110 °C**



**Oven borrowed from PSI**  
**Thank you!**

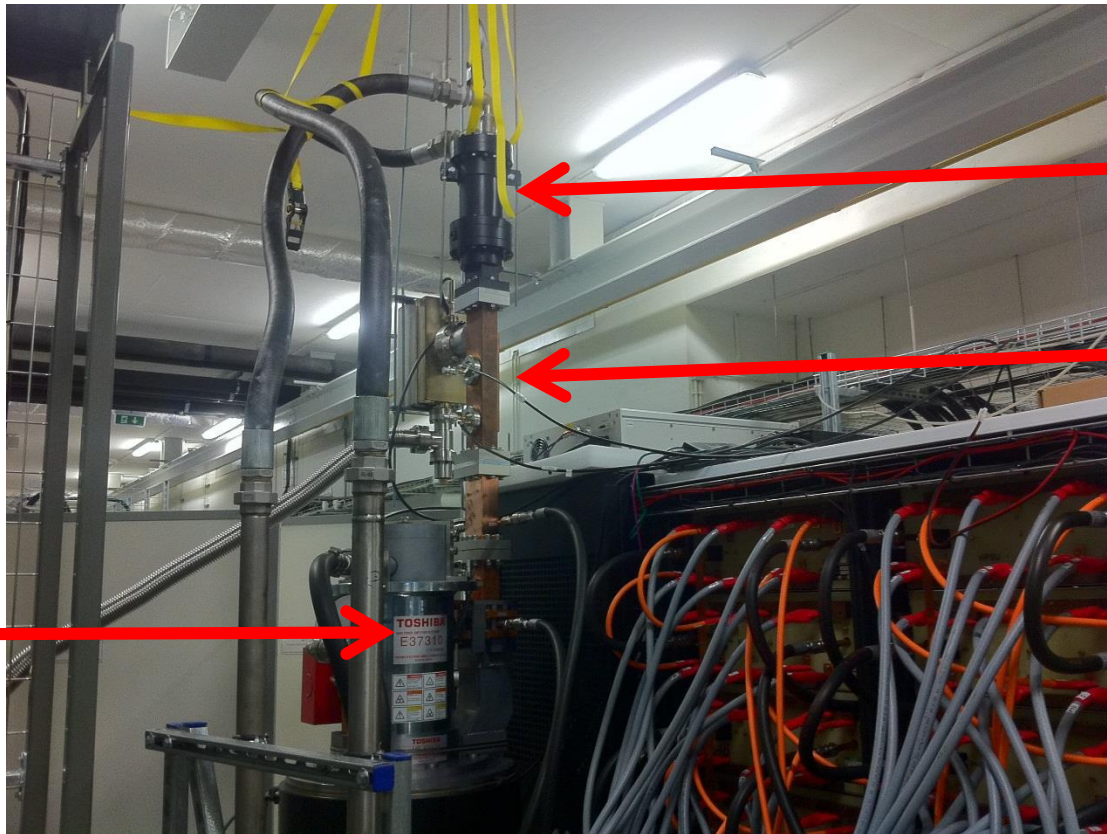


- 02.06.2014**      **Start of linac installation**
- 17.06.2014**      **Start of linac vacuum assembly**
- 08.2014**        **Linac under vacuum**
- 08-11.2014**    **Cabling and water installation**
- 09.2014**        **Gun system and transfer line under vacuum**
- 10.2014**        **SAT of modulators**
- 11.2014**        **Connecting of klystrons to waveguides**
- 11.2014**        **Start of conditioning of waveguides and accelerating structures**



## Start-up of high power RF

One K2 modulator driven up to 33MW on dummy load

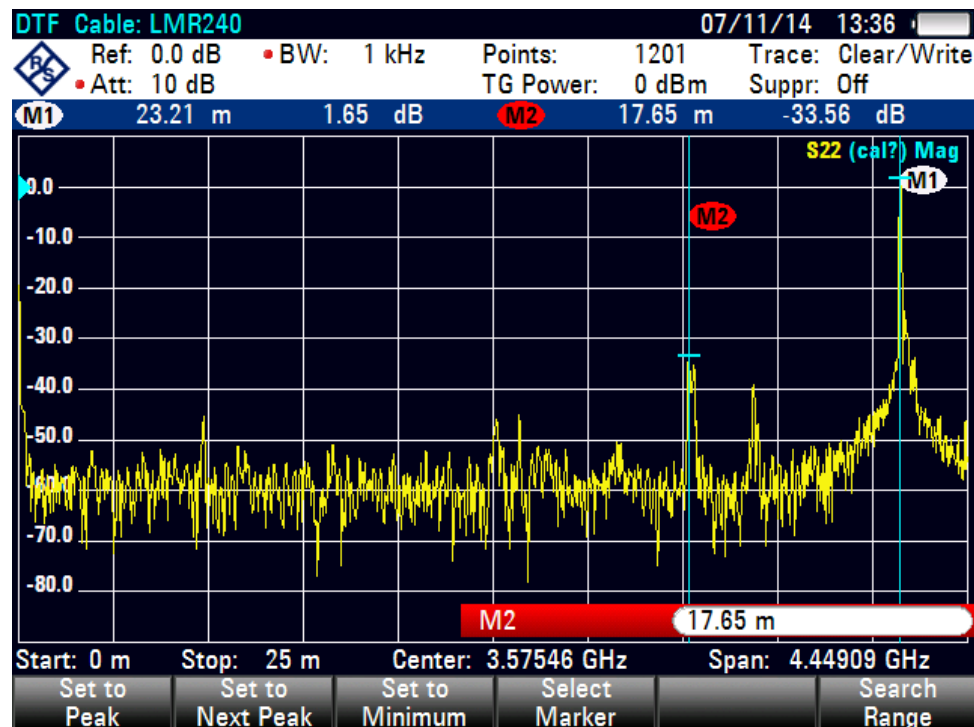


Water cooled waveguide  
dummy load

waveguide directional  
coupler

klystron

1. Education of sub-contractor about importance of work quality
2. Each RF cable examined before and after installation in terms of:
  - Attenuation at working frequency
  - Distance to fault
  - VSWR
3. Each RF cable has unique serial numer and „from-to” description
4. Around 5% of cables have to exchanged



1. **Contamination of waveguides during venting after baking.**
  - **Viton sealings have broken, exchange to copper one for the next batches**
2. **Dimension of 3m long waveguides.**
  - **Manufacturing process – extrusion, not straight**
  - **Correct order of works to fit with flanges to accelerating structure**
3. **Water leak in connection on accelerating structure**
  - **Research Instruments has fixed in-situ**
4. **Vacuum leak in waveguide, LIL flange brazing**
  - **New one has been manufactured by HERT Beijing, leaking one has been re-brazed**
5. **Vacuum leak in waveguide directional coupler**
  - **Exchange to new one**
6. **Wrong length of the CPR type waveguide, no possibility to connect gun's modulator**
  - **Our mistake in 3D model.**
  - **New waveguide has been manufactured by MaxLab in one week!**
7. **Water leak in modulator during SAT**
  - **Not properly crimped water hose**

**Klystron conditioning in diode mode has been accomplished in 4 days (after 2,5 years of storage)**

## **1. Short RF pulse without SLED phase inversion at 1Hz**

- Increasing of klystron's high voltage, then elongation of RF pulse and start from lower voltage
- Since conditioning of waveguides after power divider were not efficient, SLED have been used

## **2. Short RF pulse with SLED phase inversion at 1Hz**

- Increasing of klystron's high voltage, then elongation of RF pulse and start from lower voltage
- When reasonable high voltage has been achieved, increasing of repetition rate to 5Hz, 10Hz, 50Hz and 100Hz with start from lower voltage (it depends on vacuum activation)

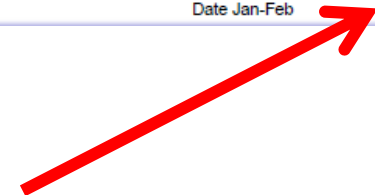
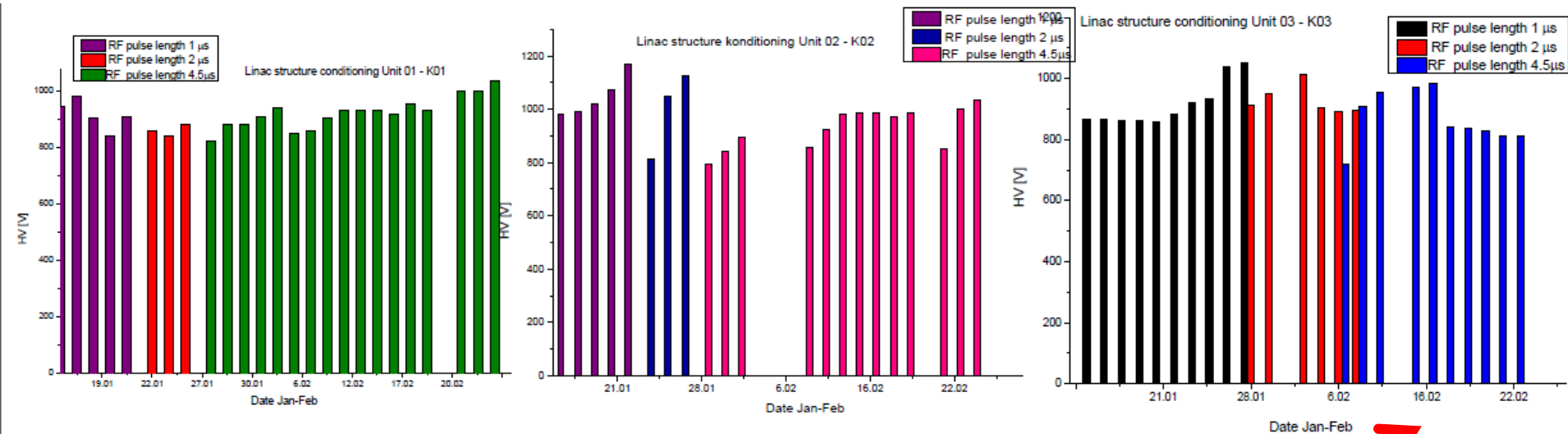
## **3. Nominal RF pulse length at 100Hz**

**Baking out of waveguides before installation helped in conditioning process**

**Shifts organisation for linac conditioning (January- February & May-June):**

**Monday -Friday; 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.**

## January - February 2015

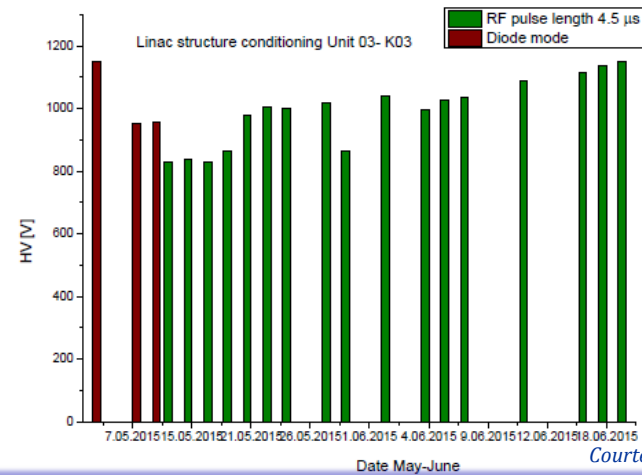
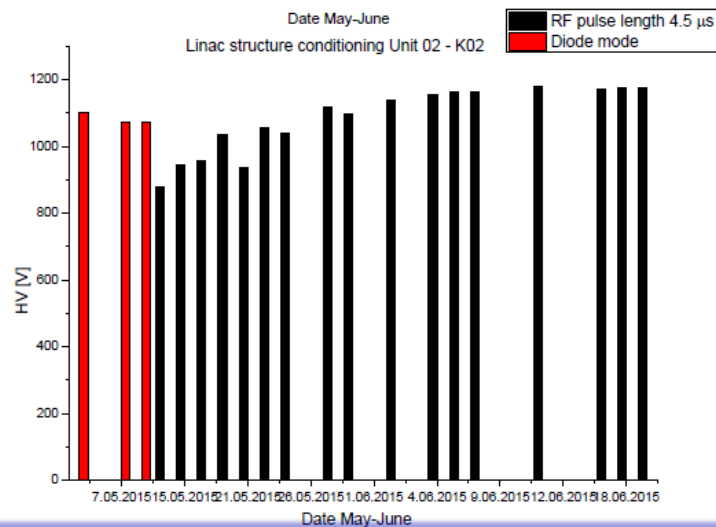
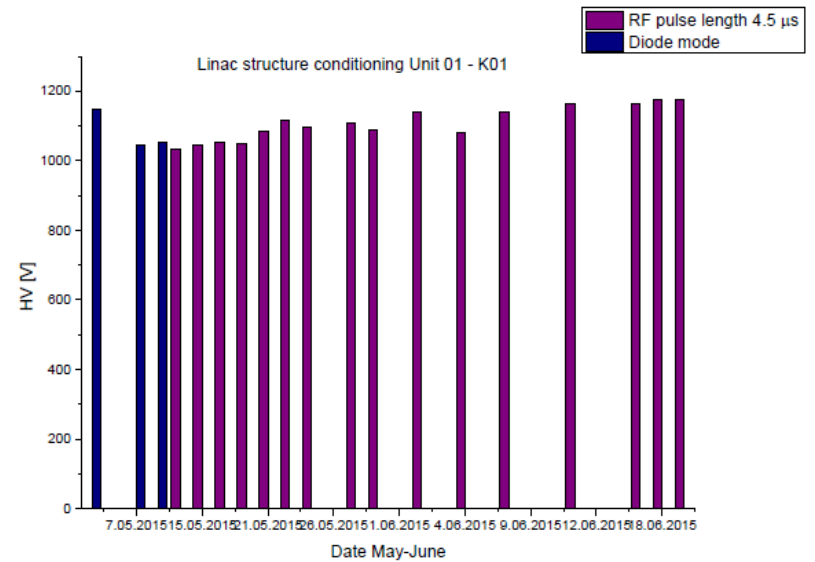
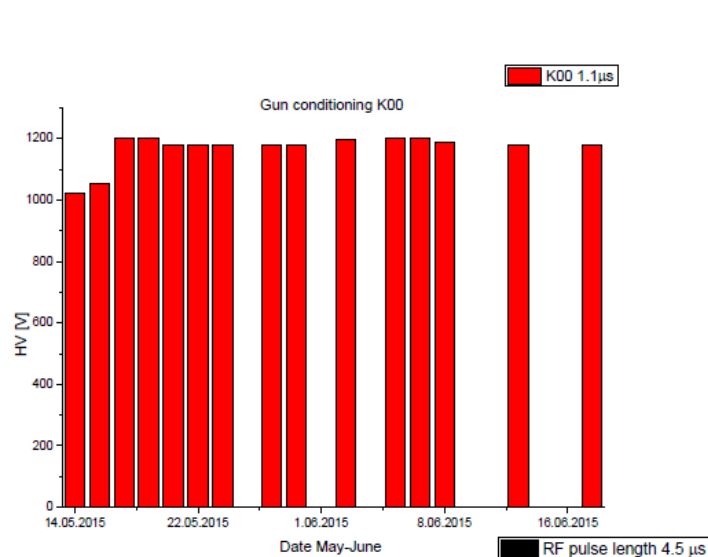


3rd accelerating unit worse at nominal pulse length

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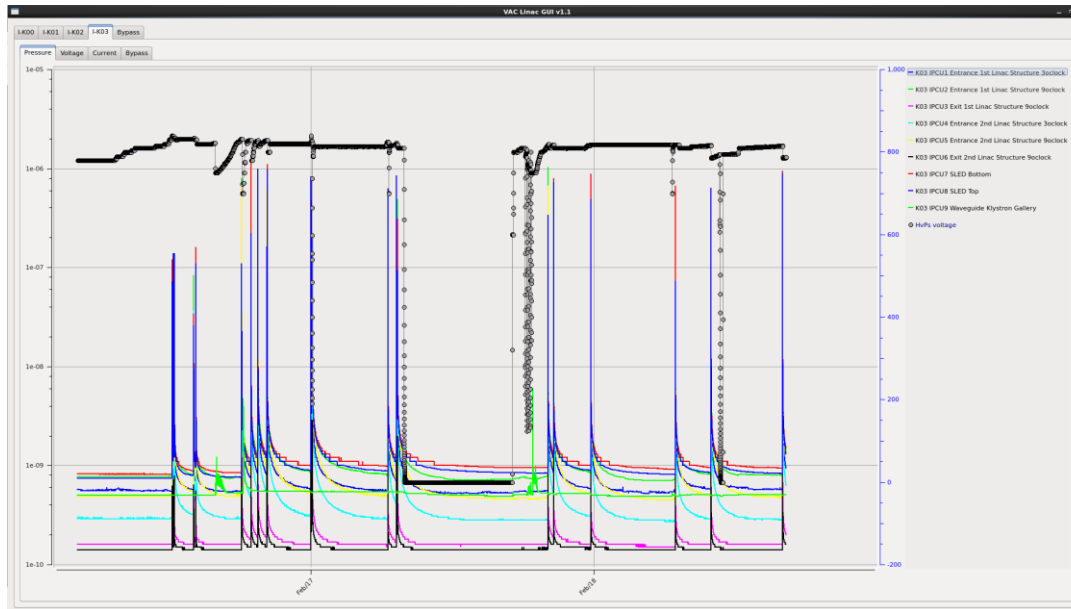


## May – June 2015, after shutdown for transfer line installation

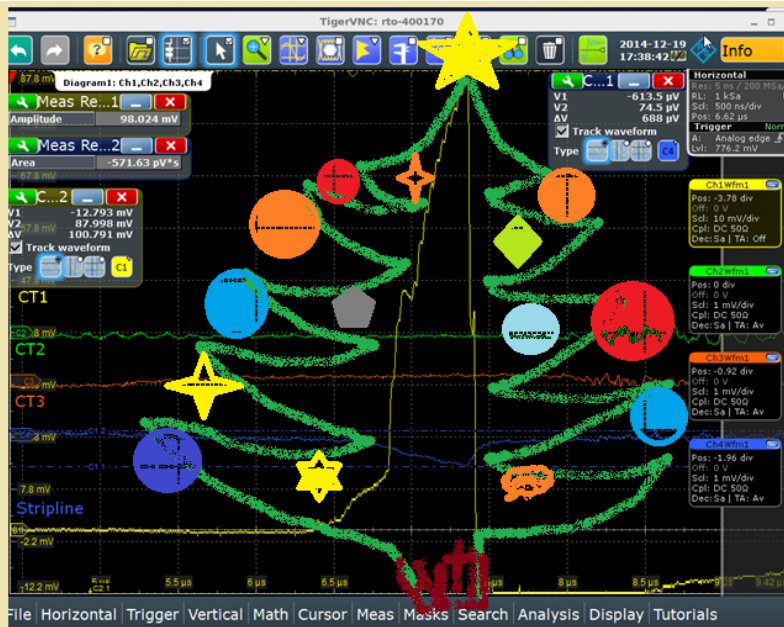


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### Arcing in waveguides



- Broken many of 20dB attenuators and RF sensor diodes
- Still some conditioning necessary after weekend shutdown



19.12.2014

**First electrons from  
SOLARIS RF GUN**

**RF Power Forward to the  
gun= 0.86MW**

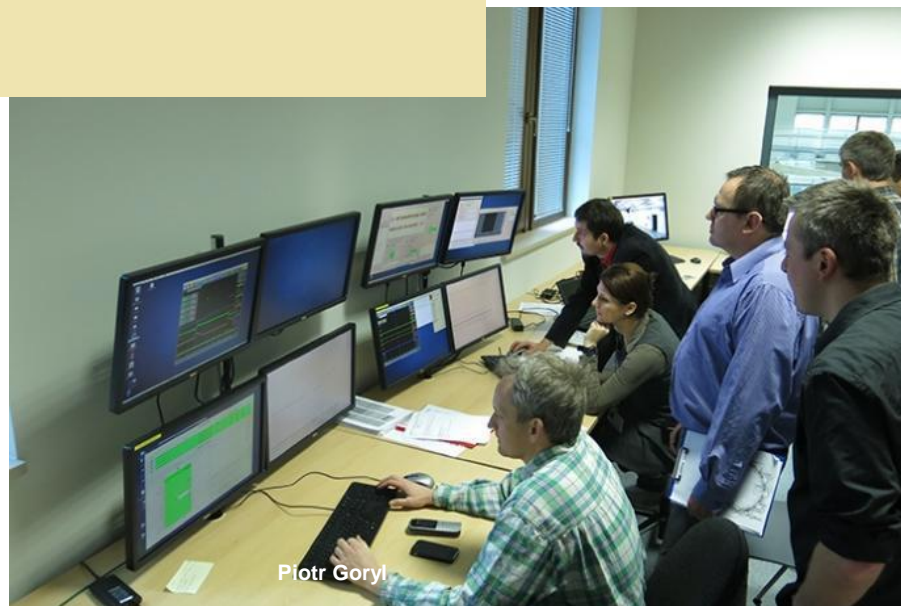
**Electron current = 100mA**

*Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year*

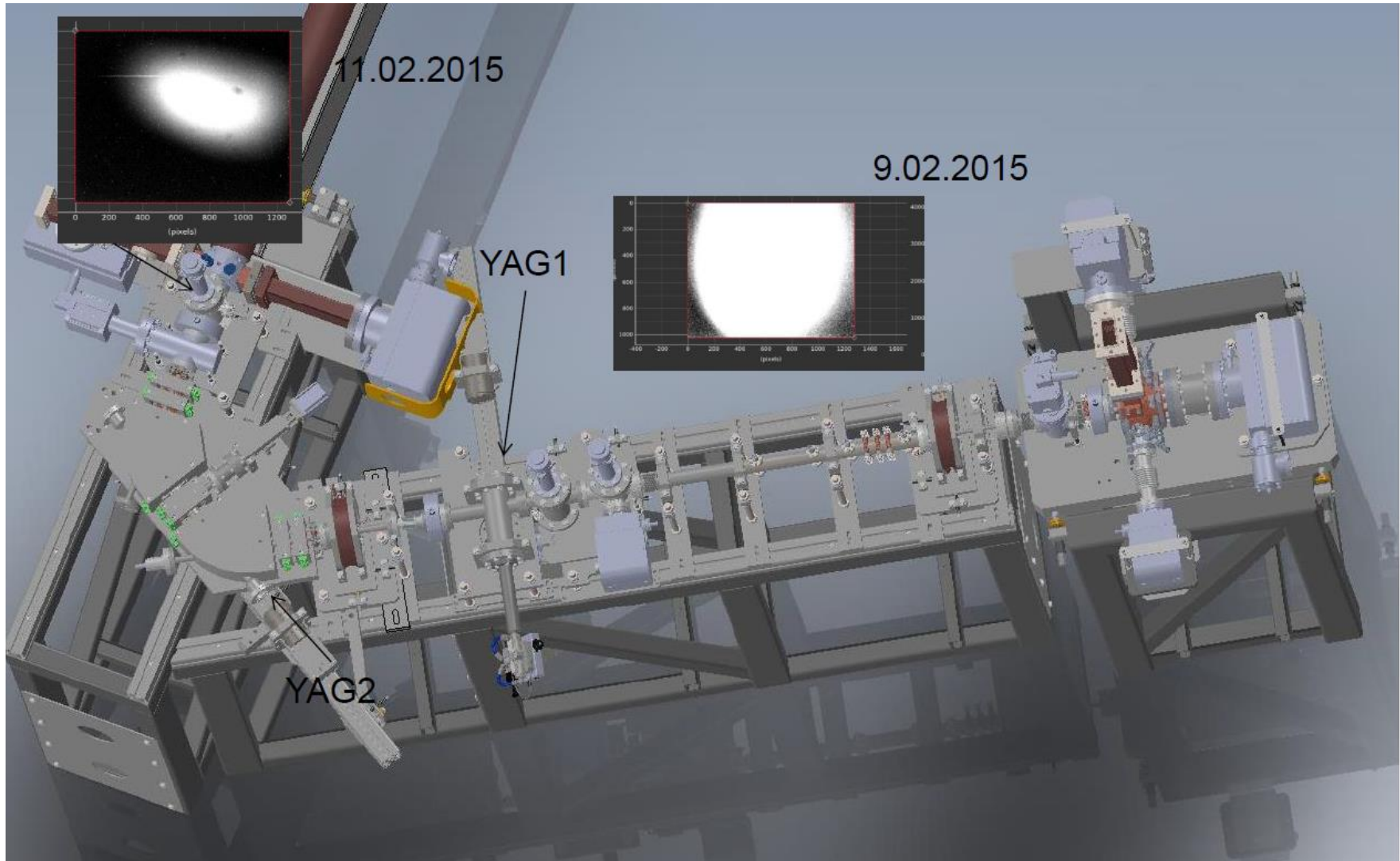
*SOLARIS TEAM*

**Current transformer signal just after gun**

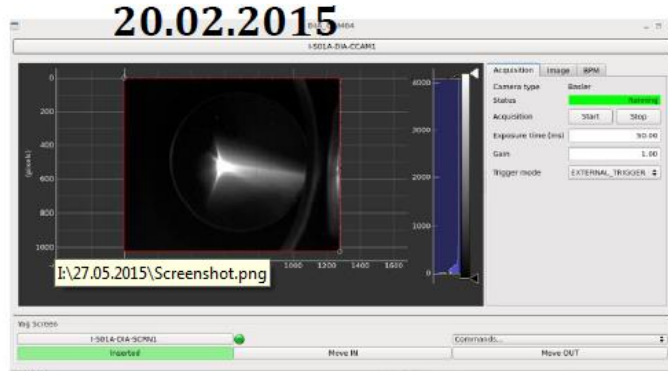
**Last day (Friday) before Christmas shutdown**



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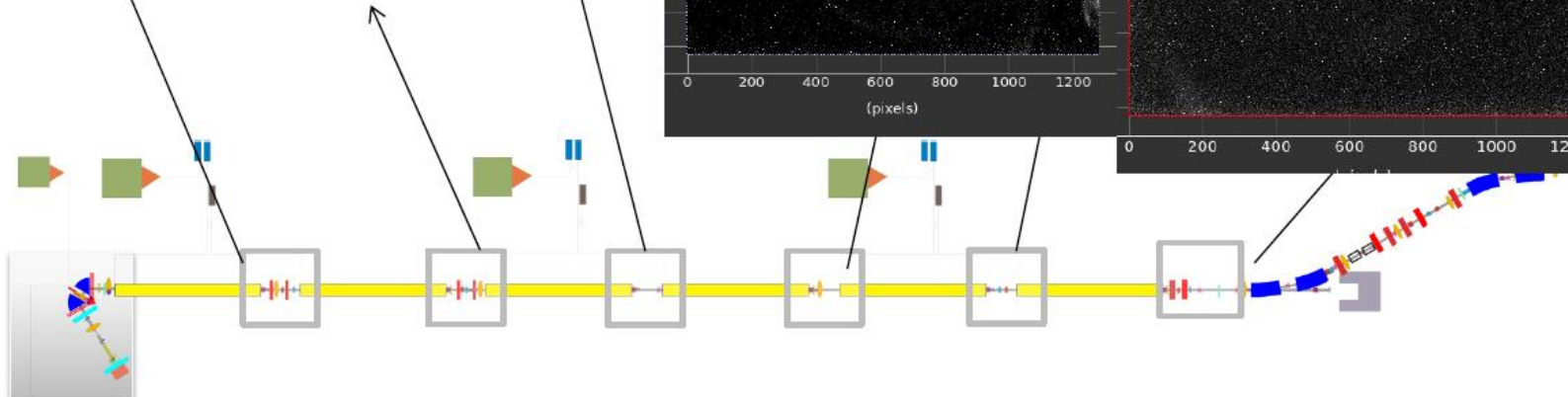
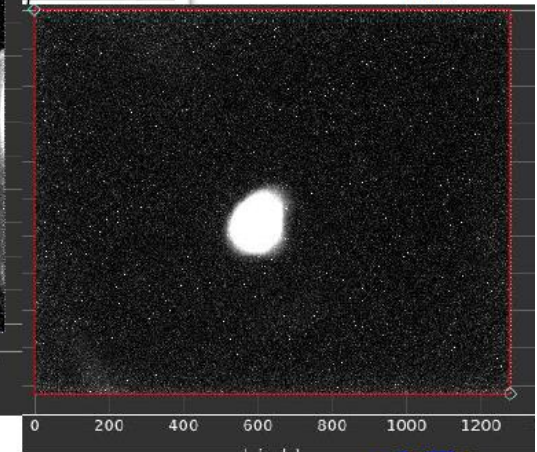
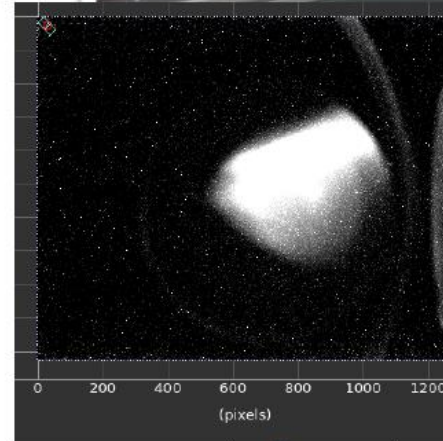
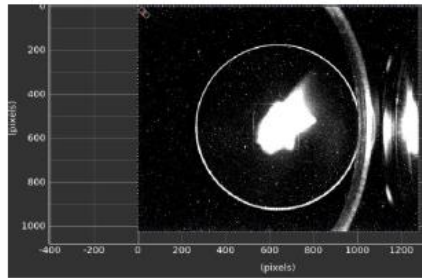


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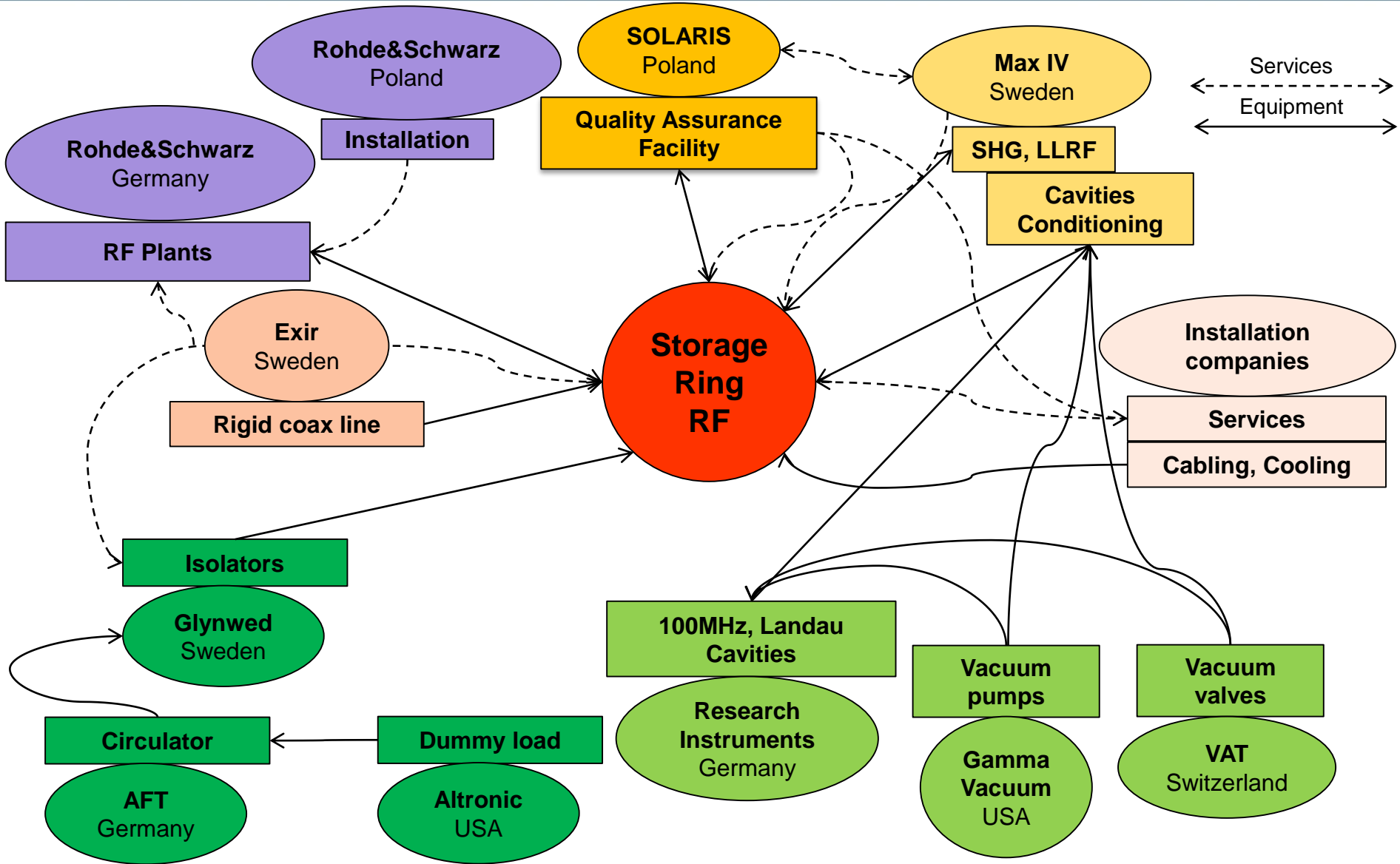


22.02.2015

YAG



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1. **Modification of raised floor, electrical grid in service galery 02.2015**
2. **Signature of contract with Rhode&Schwarz, Sweden in December due to formal reason with delivery date 10.03.2015**
  - **SAT of transmitters 23 - 27.03.2015**
  - **First THR9 system and highest installed RF power in Band II in Poland**
3. **Signature of contract with Rhode&Schwarz Poland for installation of transmitters and assistance during SAT**
  - **16 - 20.03.2015**
4. **Signature of contract with Exir, Sweden for installation of rigid line and assistance during SAT of circulators**
  - **Connection of transmitters to circulators with rigid line 07.04.2015**
  - **Connection of circulators to cavities with rigid line 15-17.04.2015**
5. **SAT of circulators 08 - 10.04.2015. AFT required to fix SAT date 8 weeks in advance**



**High power SR RF installed and tested within 5 weeks  
10.03.2015 to 17.04.2015**





## 1. Delivery and installation

- Among of 24 delivered packages one with water connectors was missing, it has been shipped in 2 days
- Installation time not correctly estimated, finishing during SAT of 1st system

## 2. SAT of transmitters on dummy load

- PLC interlocks not ready (Solaris), locally wired interlock loop
- Both systems achieved 60kW RF output

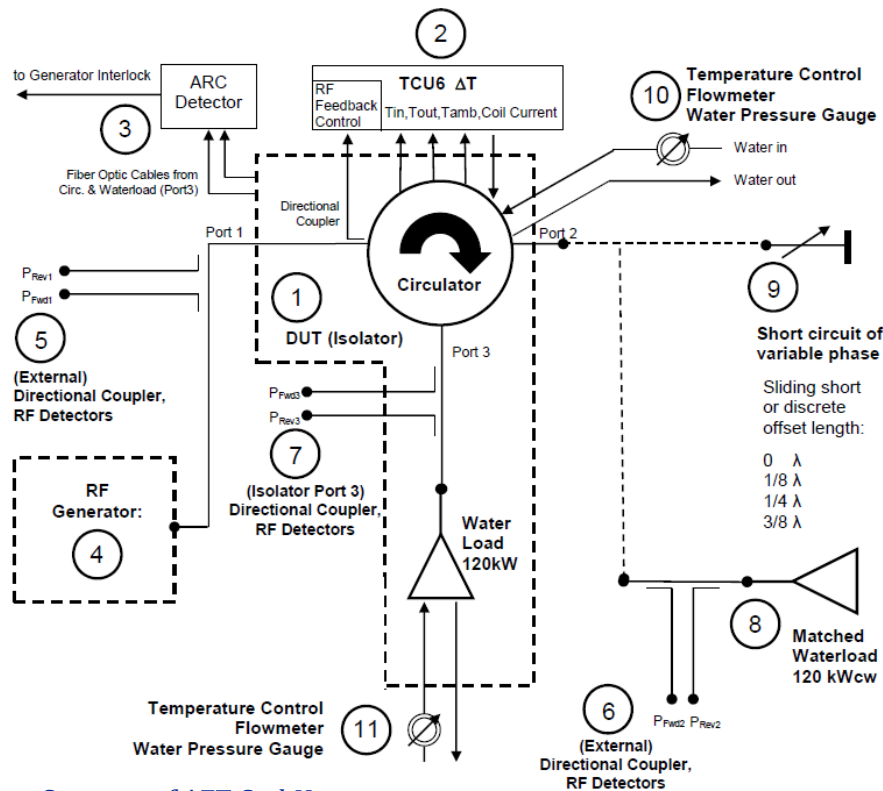


## Delivery and installation

- New 2-ports arc detector electronics

## SAT

- Test at dummy load and  $0\lambda$ ,  $1/8\lambda$ ,  $1/4\lambda$ ,  $3/8\lambda$  terminations

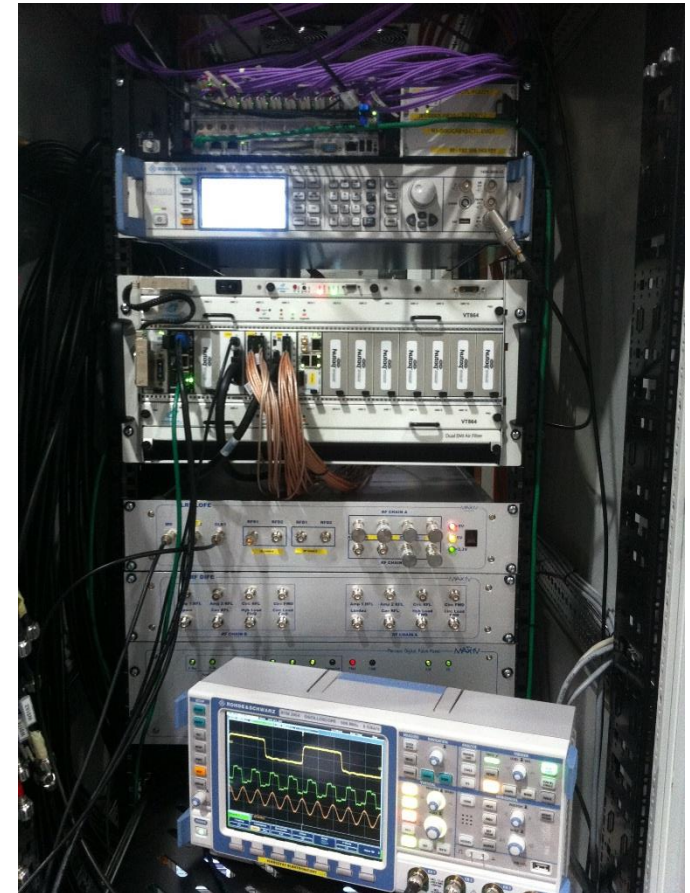
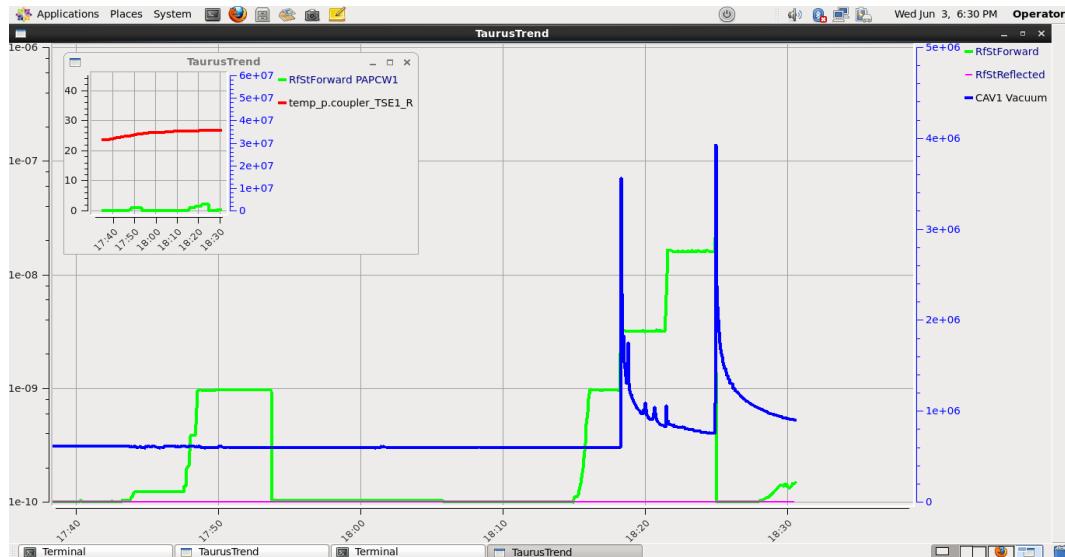
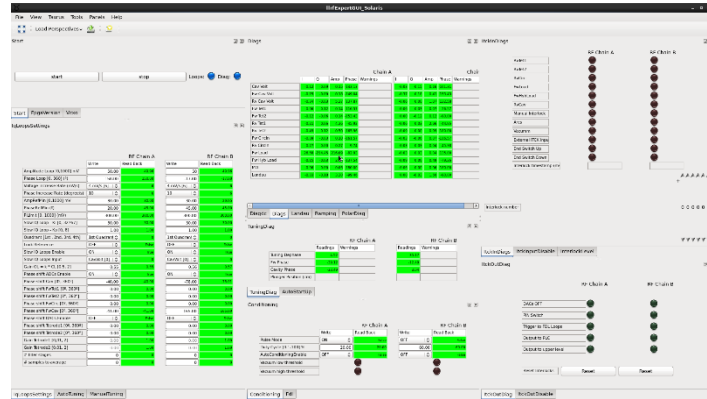


Courtesy of AFT GmbH

- Vibroisolators damage in cooling fan support, replaced for new, safe type
- Foreign object in cooling circuit, removed
- Damage of ceramic insulator (myself) in ion HV connector. Exchange of ion pump, additional venting was necessary
- False alarms from arc detectors in circulators. After long investigation found that ground connection between arc detector and PLC works like antenna. Optocouplers has been installed.
- Overlooked  $\beta$  tuning (from 1 to 2) during installation for beam operation, additional venting was necessary. Phase matching of pick-ups at the same time.
- Not sufficient flow in water cooling of main cavities, additional pump installed

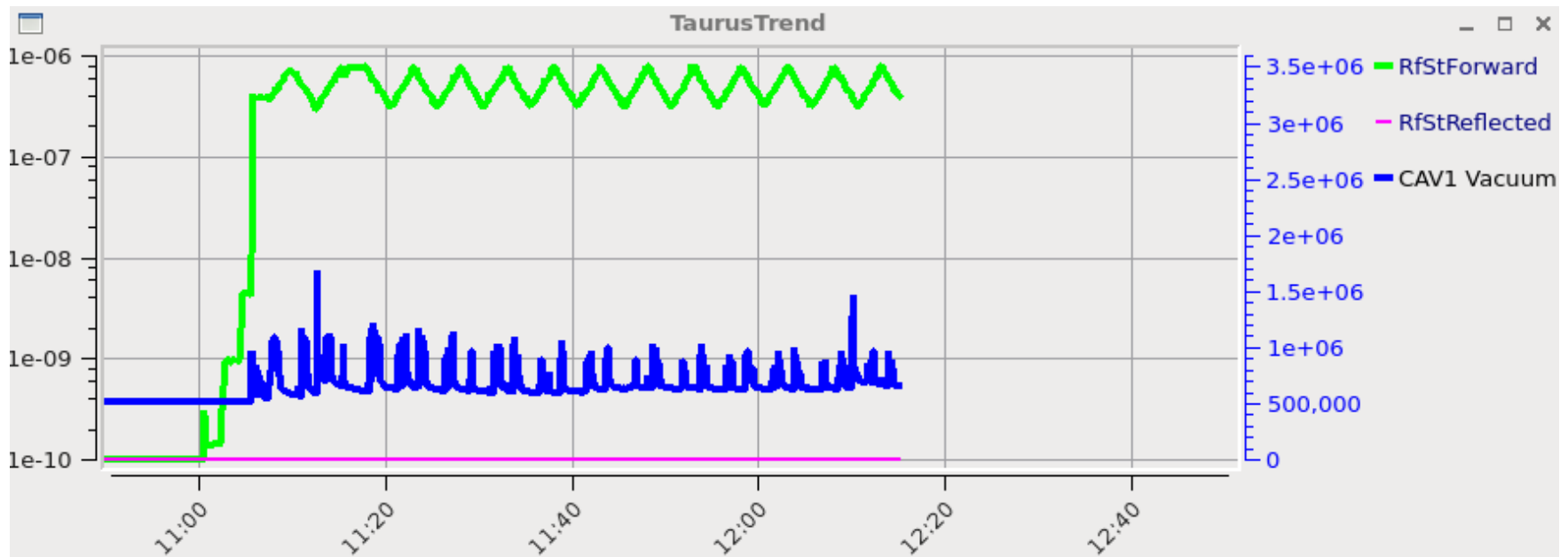


Delivered on 18.05.2015  
Commissioning with presence A.Salom (Alba synchrotron).  
03.06.2015 first RF in one cavity from LLRF



## Automatic cavity conditioning:

- **Disabling RF transmitter at  $1,3e-07$ mbar, manual reset is required**
- **High vacuum level at  $5,0e-08$ mbar**
- **Low vacuum level at  $1,0e-08$ mbar**
- **Controlling of RF power to keep vacuum between low and high**
- **Additional code for sweep of RF power especially around multipacting area**
- **Both cavities conditioned up to 30kW (there were conditioned before installation at Max Lab as well)**



**Delivered to Solaris but not installed in first stage of commissioning.**

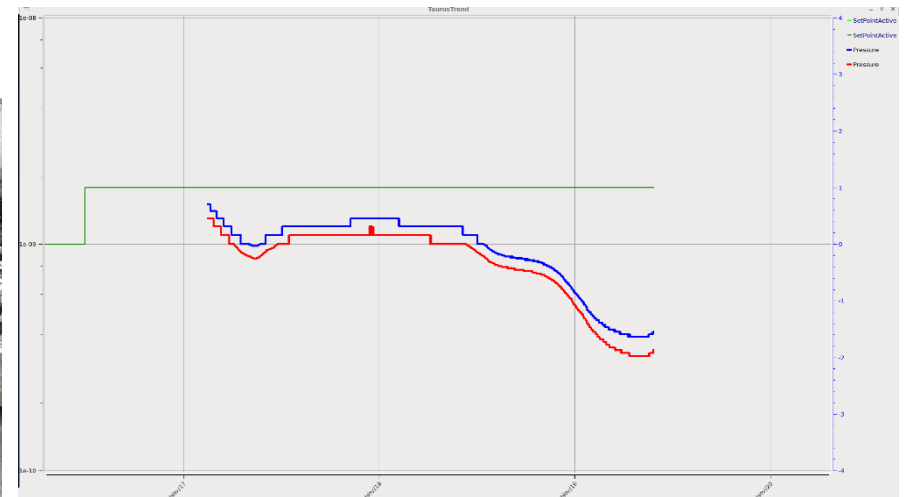
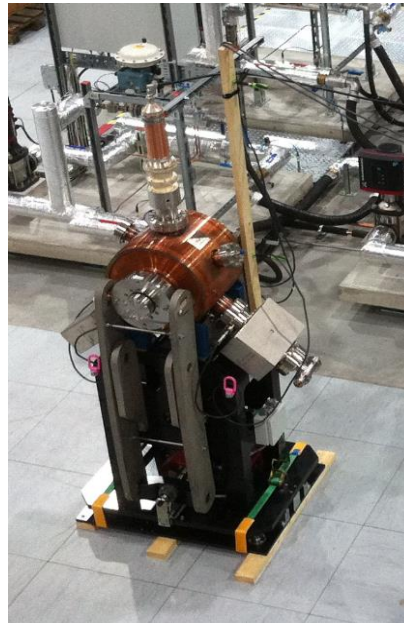
- Easier start-up of SR

**07.2015 Baked out**

**11.2015 Conditioning at 50W only because no test-stand available @ Solaris**

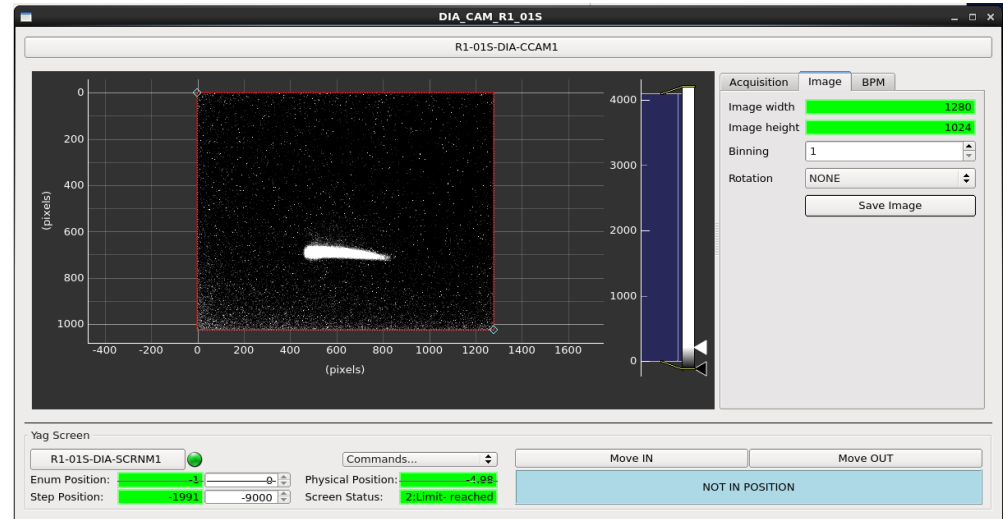
- Power coupler borrowed from Max IV
- 50W RF power, monitoring of Pfor and Pref
- Without cooling, without tuning of cavity
- Manual reflected RF power optimisation (change of signal generator frequency)
- Vacuum interlock
- No radiation has been observed, No shielding required

**12.2015 Installation in SR**

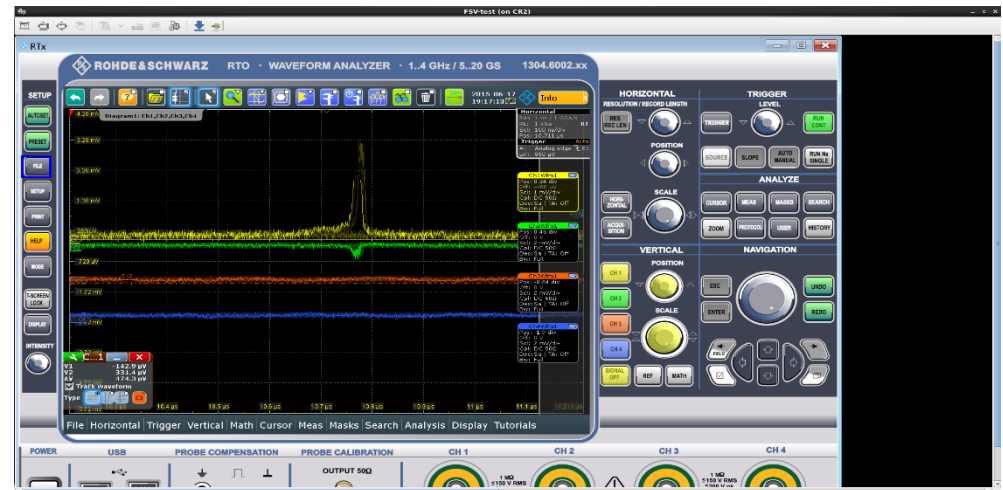


04.05.2015 restart of linac after storage ring installation

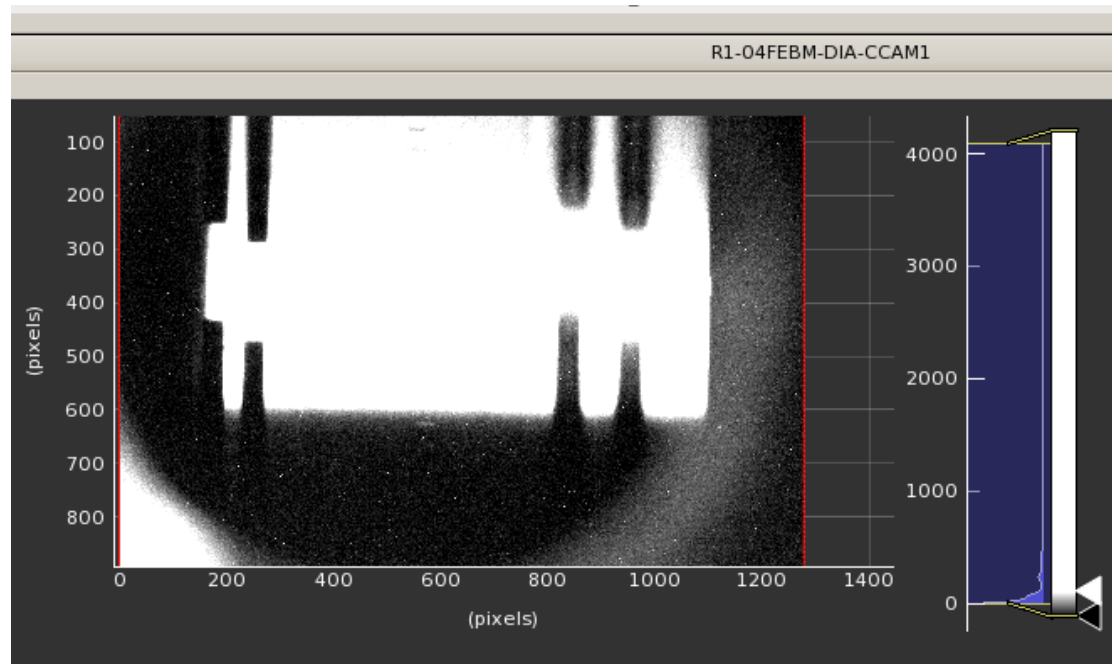
27.05.2015 first beam in storage ring,  
Energy 320 MeV  
Charge 1.5 nC  
Rep. rate 10Hz



11.06.2015 first turn in storage ring  
stripline kicker connected  
to scope



**31.07.2015 Max. accumulated current 13,5 mA**



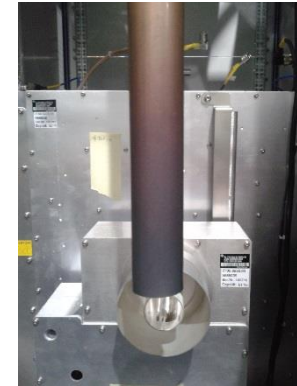
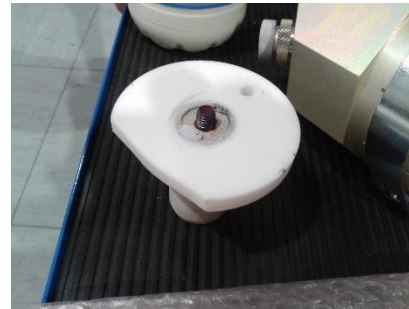
**Photon beam @ BL04 front end YAG screen**

**Recently we accumulated 408 mA! More than 10 Ah accumulated beam dose.**



## Rhode & Schwarz transmitters, modularity make operation possible even with some issues:

- Overheating of 3 1/8" elbow, wrong inner spacer assembly



- Cooling pumps didn't start, thermal interlock switched off transmitter but permanent problem with one module. After 2 visits in service it will be exchange for the new one.

## 100MHz cavities

- Stacked tuner mechanism, not enough grease in tapered roller bearings. Exchanged to new ones.
- Leakage up to  $1.0e-7$  mbar\*l/s at ceramic of pick-up (already 4 pieces), even after one discharge in the cavity. They will be replaced for pick-up loop without ceramic.



Ceramic – vacuum side, 30 x  
Metal inclusions

Crack



I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS SPECIAL THANKS TO

**MAX IV TEAM** for sharing their knowledge and time

**ELETTRA TEAM** for the assistance and consultancy in various areas of the project

**ANGELA SALOM** for support with LLRF



**Virtual tour of SOLARIS:**

<http://synchrotron.wkraj.pl/?EN#>

**Thank you for your attention**