



Linac4

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Linac4 construction site – 5.5.2009



Linac4 tunnel ("cut and cover" excavation) seen from highenergy side.

Final concrete works starting at low-energy side, excavation proceeding at high energy side.

Tunnel level -12 m, length 100 m.

Delivery of tunnel and surface equipment building end of 2010.



PSB and SPL connection area





High-energy side of Linac4 tunnel, with beam dump chamber and connecting tunnel to Linac2 line.



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Linac4 location ("Mount Citron"):

- Correct size (~100m x 30m).
- Easy connection to existing Linac2-PSB line.
- Orientation allowing future extension to the SPL.
- Natural (earth) shielding.

Linac4 because the 4th ion linac to be built at CERN







Linac4 is designed for 3 different stages in its lifetime:







- Linac4 is a normal-conducting H⁻ linac at 160 MeV energy, made of 4 types of 352 MHz accelerating structures, matched to the increasing beam energy. A beam chopper at low energy allows modulating the linac beam pulse to minimise losses in the ring. A beam dump at linac end allows setting-up of the beam, will be displaced when connecting to the SPL.
- The Linac4 project includes important modifications to the PSB injection region (higher injection energy, H- stripping).







New Masterplan (04/2009), after the delay by 1 year of all sLHC projects:



MILESTONES:

✓ Building delivery:
December 2010

✓ Infrastructure installation: 2011

✓ Machine and equipment installation: 2012

✓ Linac commissioning: 2013

✓ PSB modifications: shutdown 2013/14.

✓ Beam from PSB: April 2014.



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- o 3 MeV Test stand for Linac4 Front-end (Bld. 152):
 - Infrastructure completed.
 - Prototype modulator and LEP klystron under test.
 - Ion source completed, first plasma mid-June.
 - Chopper line completed.
 - RFQ in construction at CERN Workshop.
- Prototypes of accelerating structures tested (CCDTL), under test (DTL), in construction (PIMS). Construction of DTL and CCDTL start in 2009, material being procured.
- Started preparation of large contracts (klystrons, modulators, magnets,...).
- Setting up network of international collaborations to contribute to Linac4 construction (France in-kind, Russia-EU, India, Poland, ...) – see next slide.

Notwithstanding the additional year given to the project, important activities are progressing slowly because of lack of manpower and low priority.









French in-kind contribution: RFQ design & test, RF amplifiers, modulators - being signed

US contribution: Laser Profile monitor (+ extension), *under discussion*...

