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# **High-intensity highly charged ion beam production by superconducting ECR ion sources at IMP**

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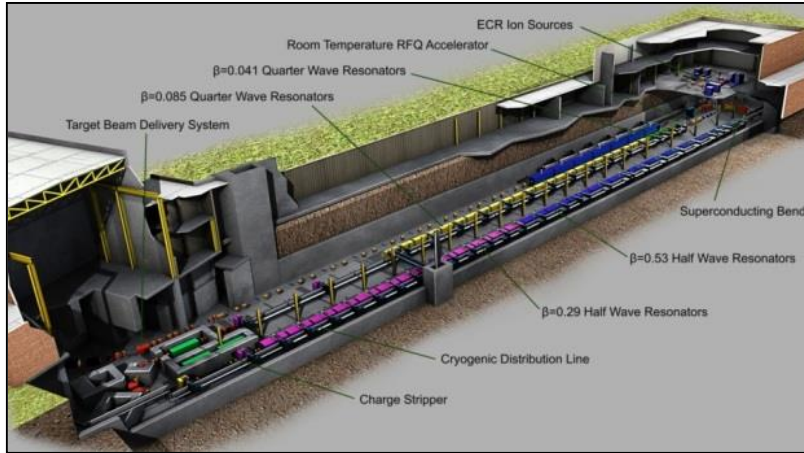
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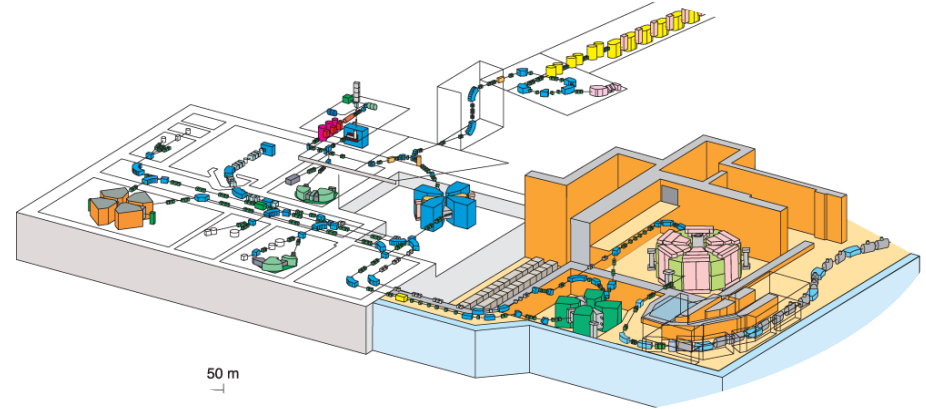


# High power heavy ion accelerator requests intense HCI

Accelerator facility for rare isotope beam production requests high intensity primary ion beams, which actually very much depends on performance of the front-end ion source



**MSU FRIB  $U^{33+}+U^{34+}$  13 pμA/ CW**



**RIKEN RIBF  $U^{35+}$  500 eμA/ CW**



**IMP HIRFL  $U^{41+}$  100 eμA/ CW**



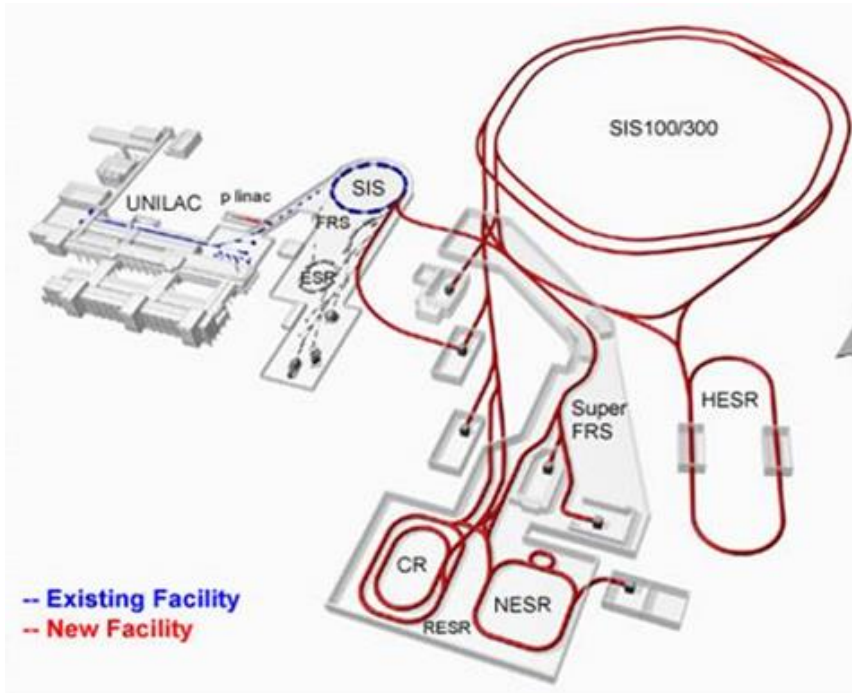
**SPIRAL2  $Ar^{12+}$  1 emA/ CW**

**CW-intense highly charged ion(HCI) beams requested by RIB accelerator complex**

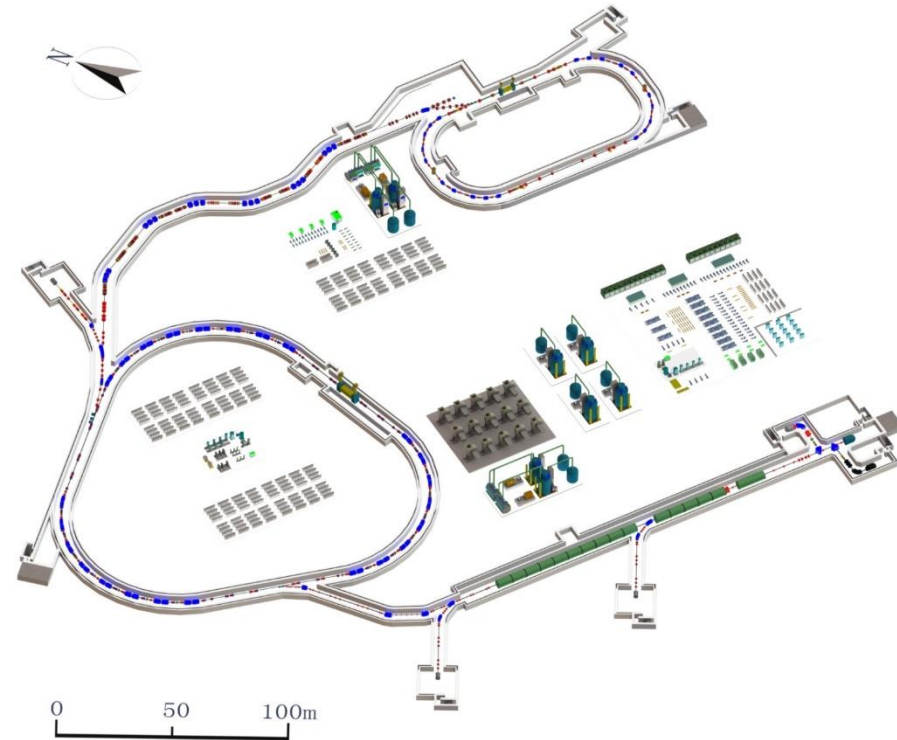


# High power RIB accelerator requests intense HCI beams

**Pulsed-intense highly charged ion (HCI) beams requested by RIB accelerator complex**



**GSI @FAIR  $U^{28+} > 10\text{emA}$  pulsed**

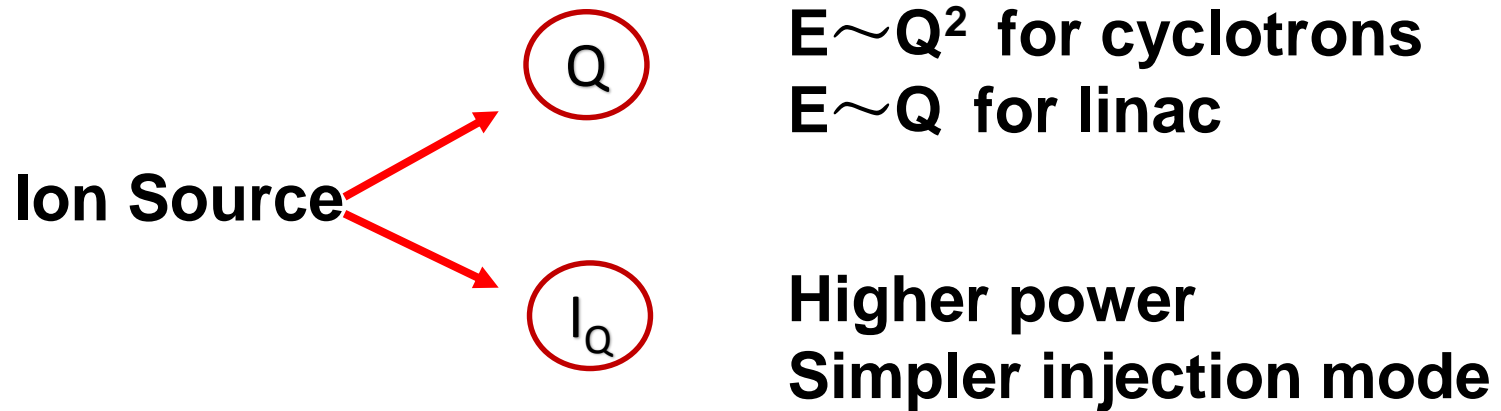


**IMP HIAF  $U^{35+} 50\ \mu\text{A}$  pulsed**



# Why highly charged ion beams (1)?

Requirements of ion source for those high energy (GeV/u) high current heavy ion accelerators



Developing intense highly charged ion source is both **performance-effective** and **cost-effective**.



# Why highly-charged ion beams (2)?

## 100 MeV/u SC heavy ion linac

	$^{238}\text{U}^{34+}$	$^{238}\text{U}^{46+}$	$^{238}\text{U}^{55+}$
Injection E (MeV/u)	1.3	1.3	1.3
Output E (MeV/u)	100	100	100
Design $I_{\text{max}}$ (emA)	1.0	1.0	1.0
SC cavity	<b>It is very much worthy of developing highly charged ion source aiming at very high charge state!!</b>		
SC cavities			
Solenoids	78	65	55
CRM Reduced		11	16
Total length (m)	288	225	197
Budget reduced		>70 M\$ (MP not included)	>100 M\$ (MP not included)



# Highly charged ECR ion source

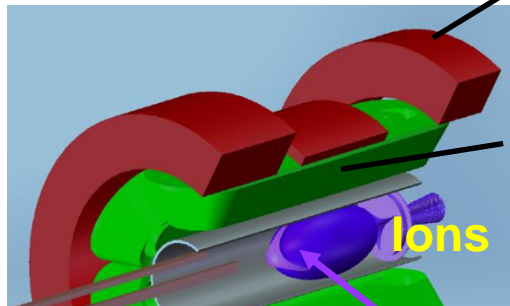
HCI ion source: EBIS; LIS; ECRIS. Only ECRIS for HCI DC and pulsed beam

ECRIS: Electron Resonance Cyclotron Ion Source

## ECRIS

## Highly charged ECR ion source

- ◆ Plasma ion source
- ◆ Plasma is produced and heated by microwave (10-28GHz)
- ◆ Plasma is confined by minimum-B magnetic field



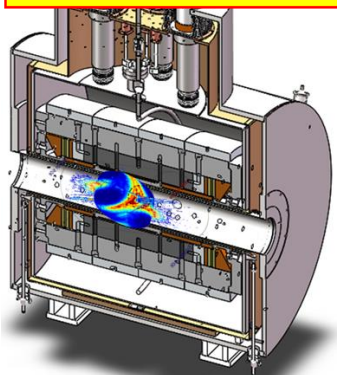
Axial mirror coils

Sextupole magnet

$$I_i^q = \frac{1}{2} \frac{n_i^q q e V_{ex}}{\tau_i^q}$$

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**Higher Q and higher I  $\Rightarrow$  Higher  $n_e \tau_i \Rightarrow$  Higher  $\omega_{rf} \Rightarrow$  Higher B**  
**That is why we need to build SC-ECRIS, and also good device to study ECRIS physics.**

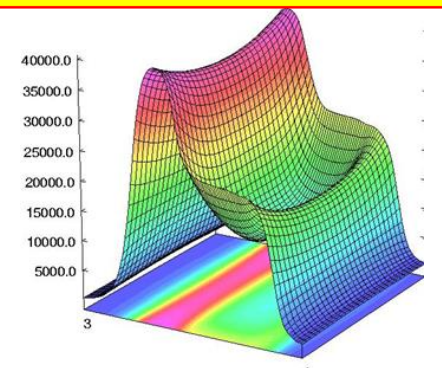


$$B_{inj} \approx 4 B_{ECR} \quad B_{ext} < B_{rad} \approx 2 B_{ECR}$$

$$B_{min} \approx 0.8 B_{rad}$$

$$I \propto \log B^{1.5}$$

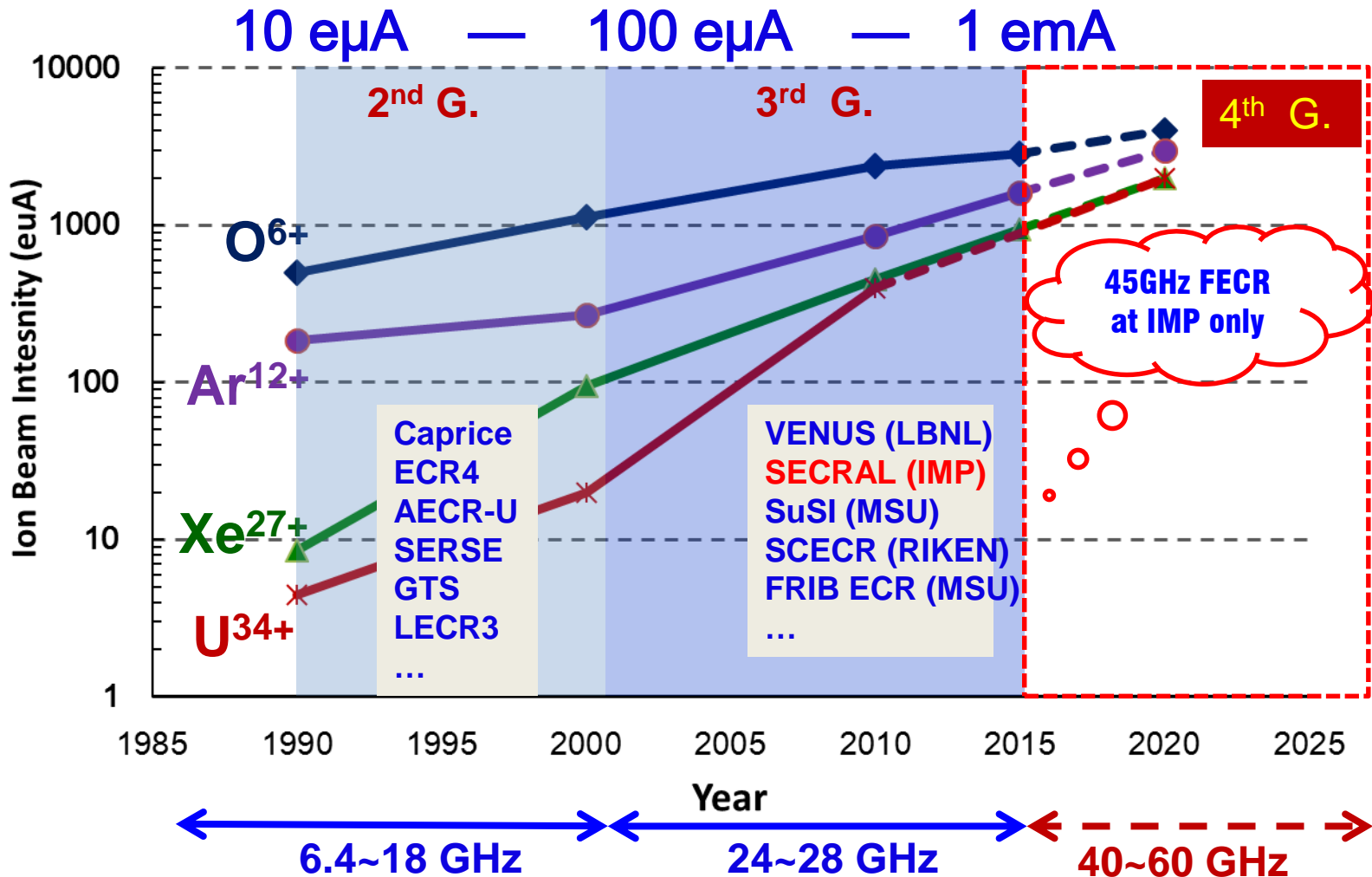
$$P_{rf}, f, B \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{matrix} n_e, T_e, \tau_e \\ n_i, T_i, \tau_i \end{matrix}$$





# Development of highly charged ECR ion source

## Past, present and future







# High intensity HCl sources: **ECRIS**

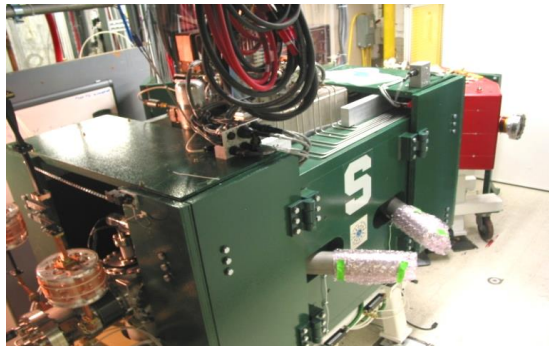
## High performance superconducting ECRIS



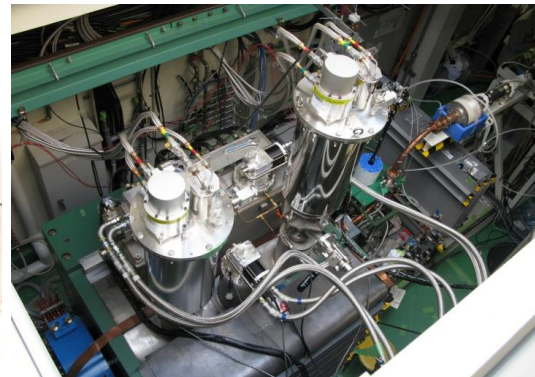
**VENUS@LBNL**



**SECRAL, SECRAL-II@IMP**



**SuSI@MSU**



**SCECRIS@RIKEN**

Parameters	Unit	State of the Art ECRISs
$\omega_{rf}$	GHz	24~28
$P_{rf}$	kW	10.0
$B_{mirror}$	T	3.5~4.0/2.2~2.8
$B_r$	T	1.8~2.0
Chamber ID	mm	Ø100~150
Mirror Length	mm	400~500
HV	kV	30

- ◆ Very high charge state
- ◆ ~ms pulse to dc beam
- ◆ High beam intensity



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# IMP existing heavy ion facility HIRFL

IMP is the biggest nuclear physics research center in China for heavy ion basic-science and nuclear technology application

**CSRe (9Tm)  
2008**

**SSC (K=450)  
1988, 100MeV/u**

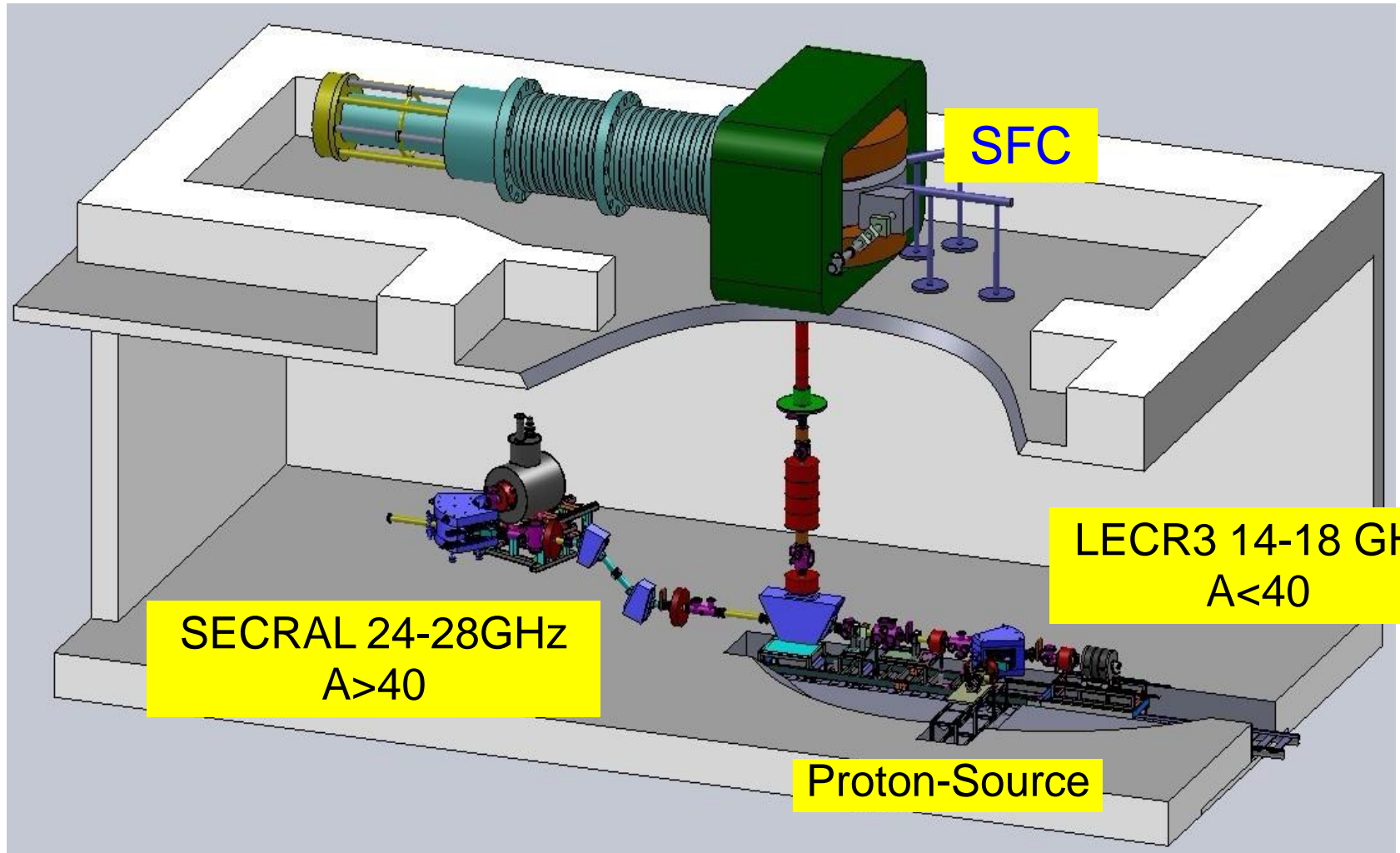
**SFC (K=69)  
1961, 10MeV/u**

**CSRm (11Tm)  
2008, 1000MeV/u**





# Ion sources for SFC cyclotron



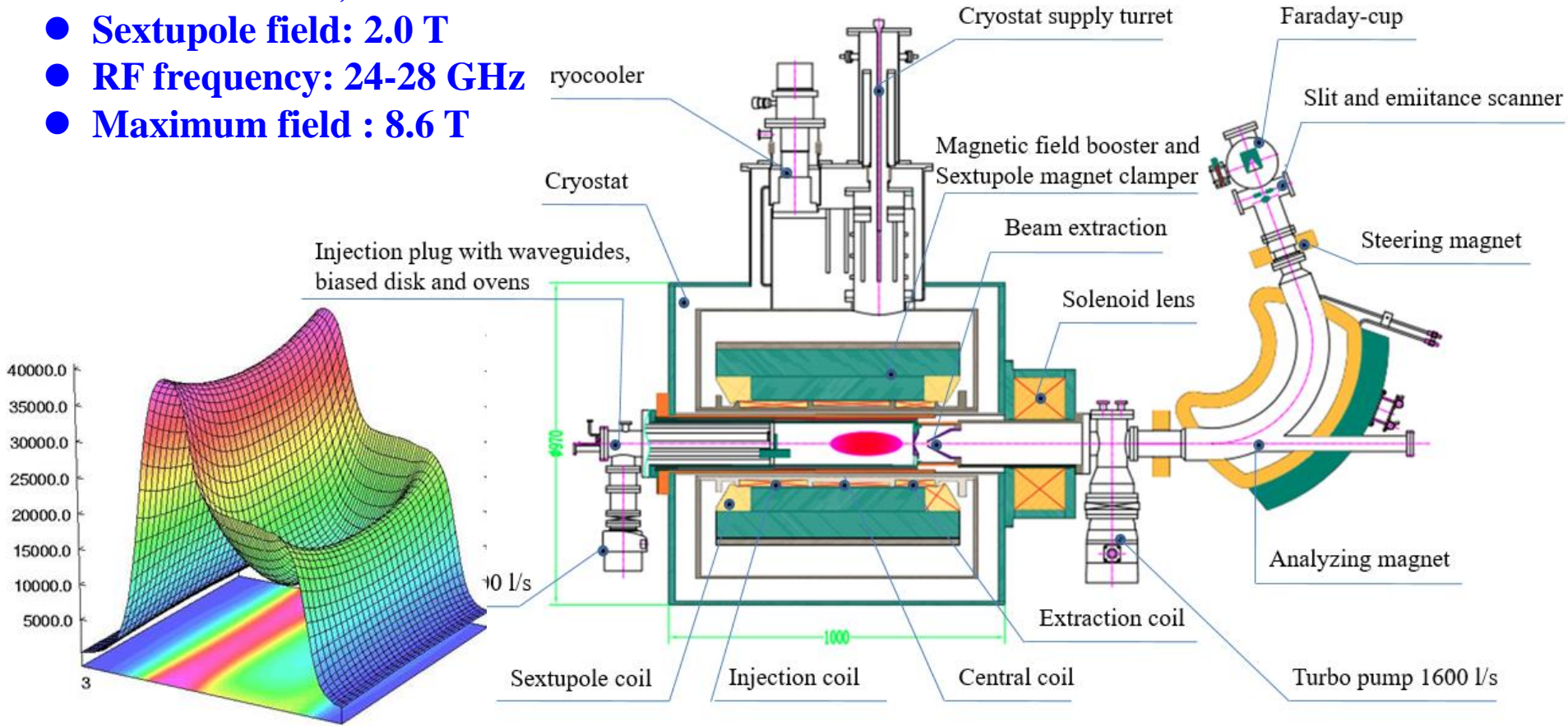


# SECRAL ECR ion source

Fully NbTi superconducting magnet ECR source

SECRAL was built in 2001-2005.  
Beam operation to HIRFL since 2007

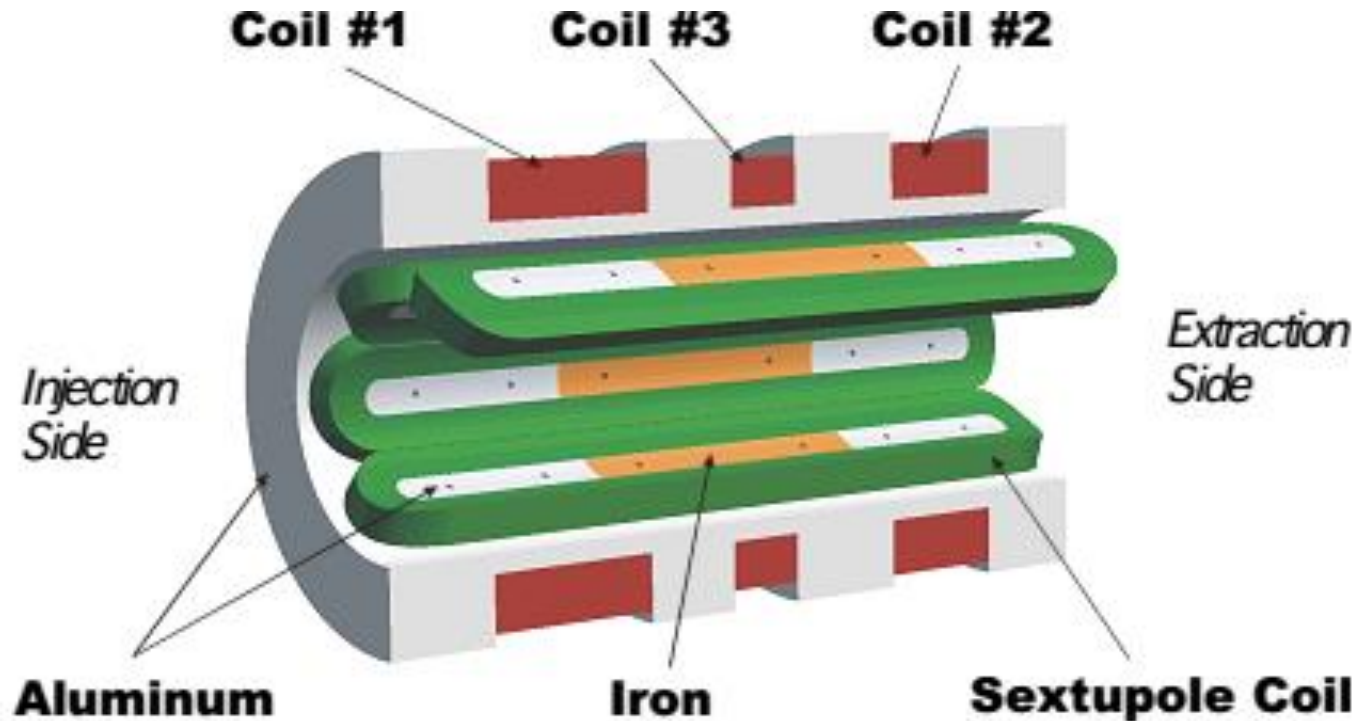
- Axial field: 3.6, 2.2T
- Sextupole field: 2.0 T
- RF frequency: 24-28 GHz
- Maximum field : 8.6 T



## SECRAL Layout



# Conventional magnet structure of ECR ion source



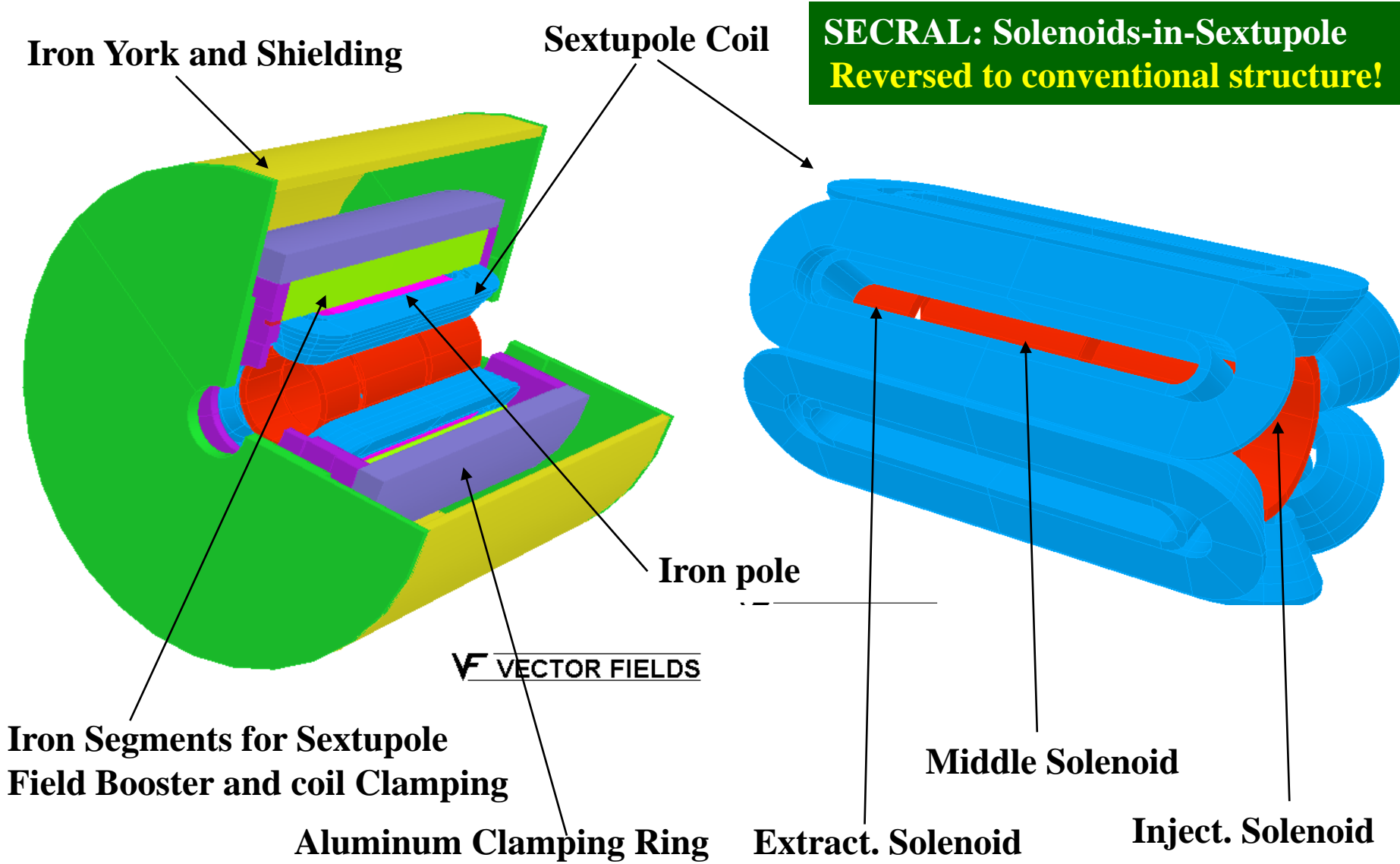
## ***Sextupole-in-Solenoid***

C. Lyneis@presentation ICIS2009

SERSE/LNS, VENUS/LBNL, SuSi/MSU, SC-ECR/RIKEN,....



# SECRAL innovative magnet structure





# SECRAL superconducting ECR ion source

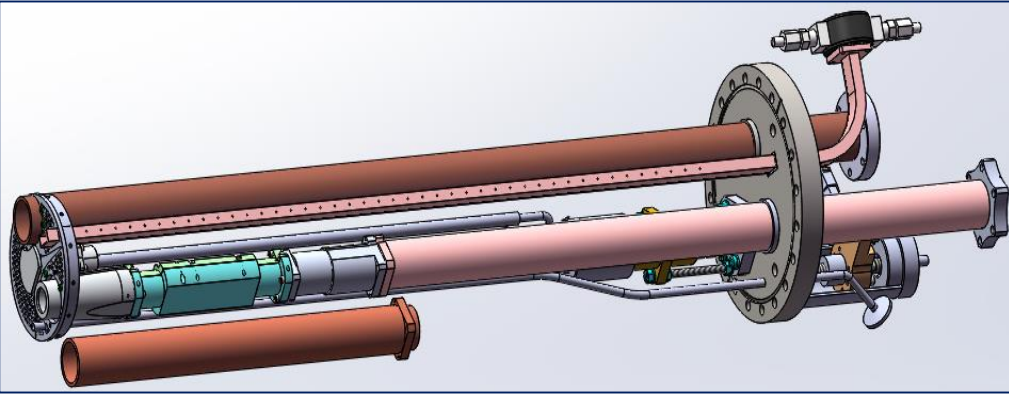


- **SECRAL first beam:2005;**
- **Beam delivery for HIRFL accelerator since 2007**
- **3000-4000 hours beam operation each year in the past 10 years.**

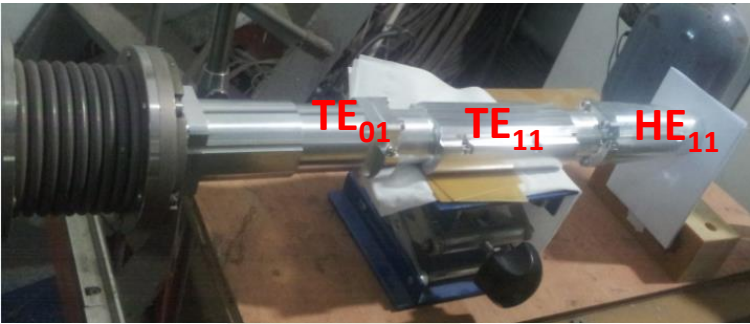




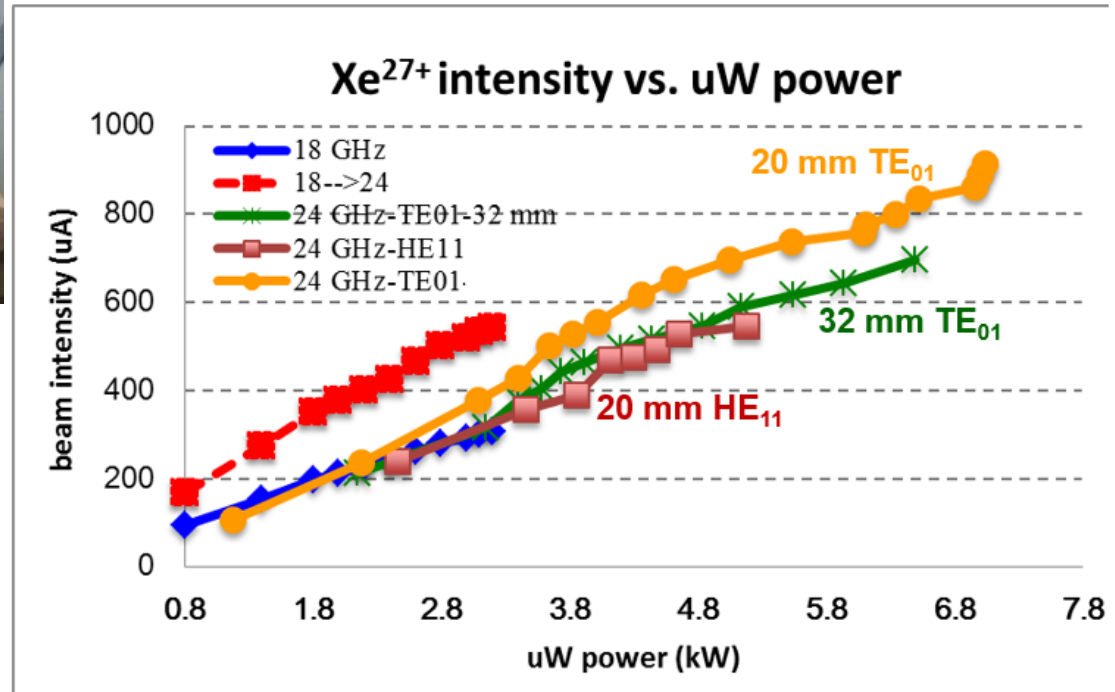
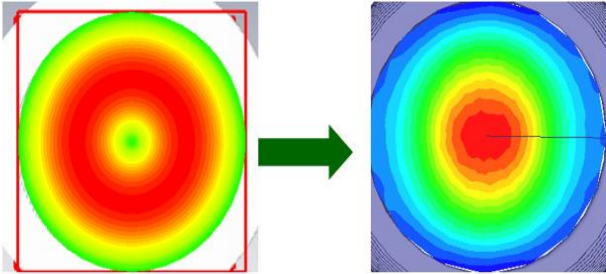
# New microwave coupling system at SECRAI



- Ø32 mm  $TE_{01}$  –traditional 28GHz
- Ø20 mm  $HE_{11}$
- Ø20 mm  $TE_{01}$  shows the best results due to better coupling. Intensity increased by 20-50%

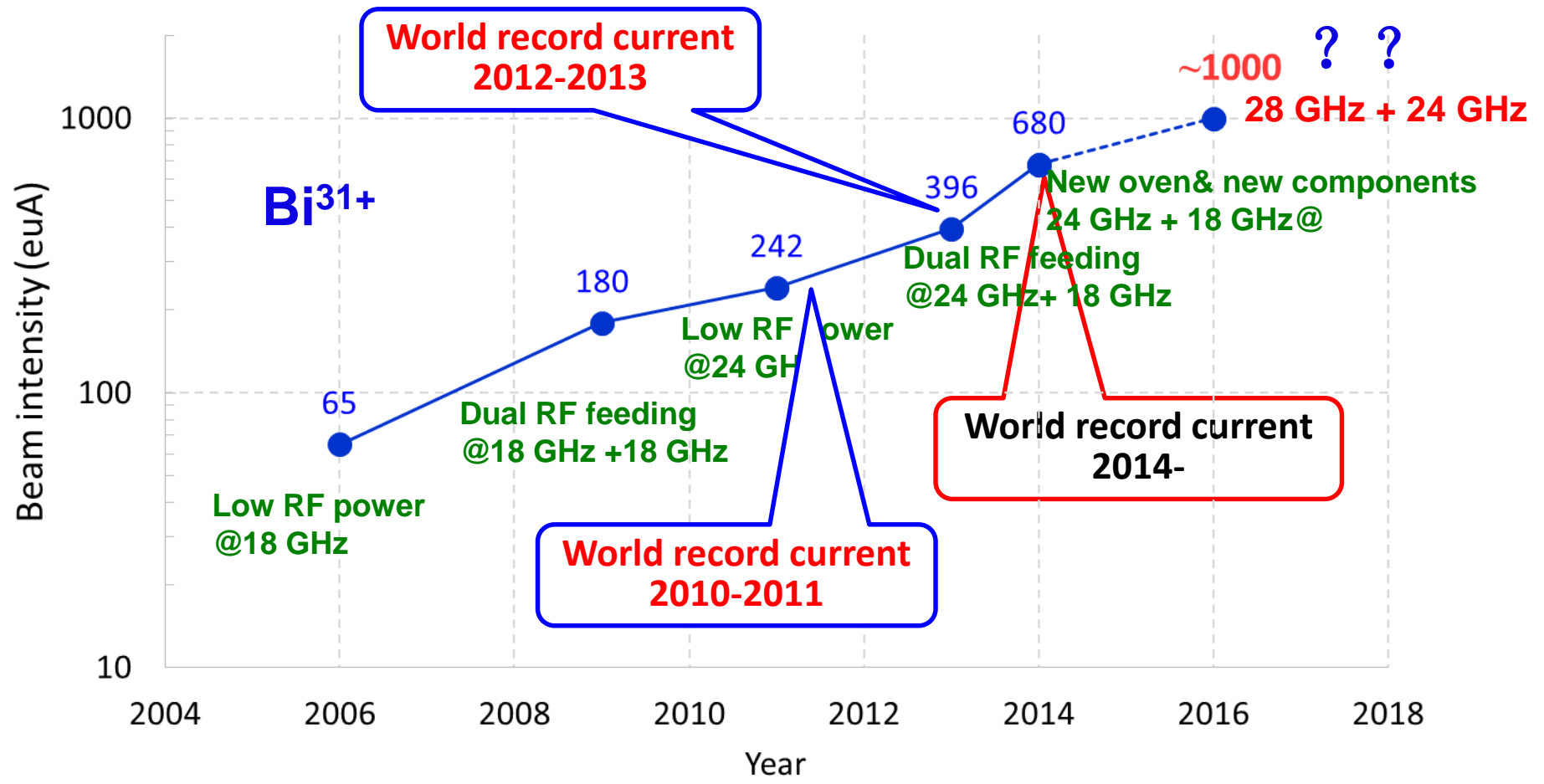


$TE_{01} \rightarrow HE_{11}$





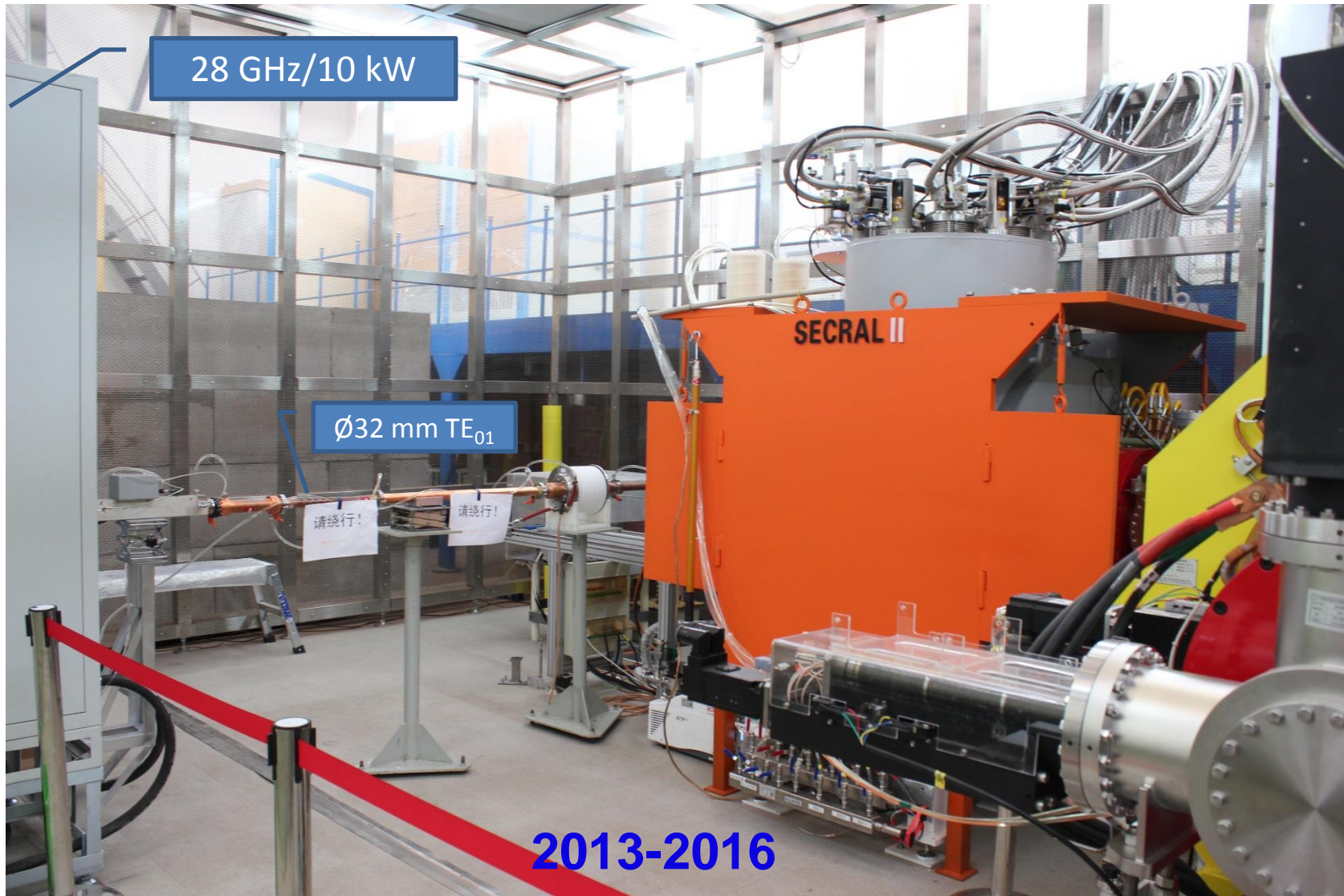
# SECRAL beam current increasing with technologies





# SECRAL II and Test Bench Layout

**SECRAL II was built for HIRFL linac new injector**

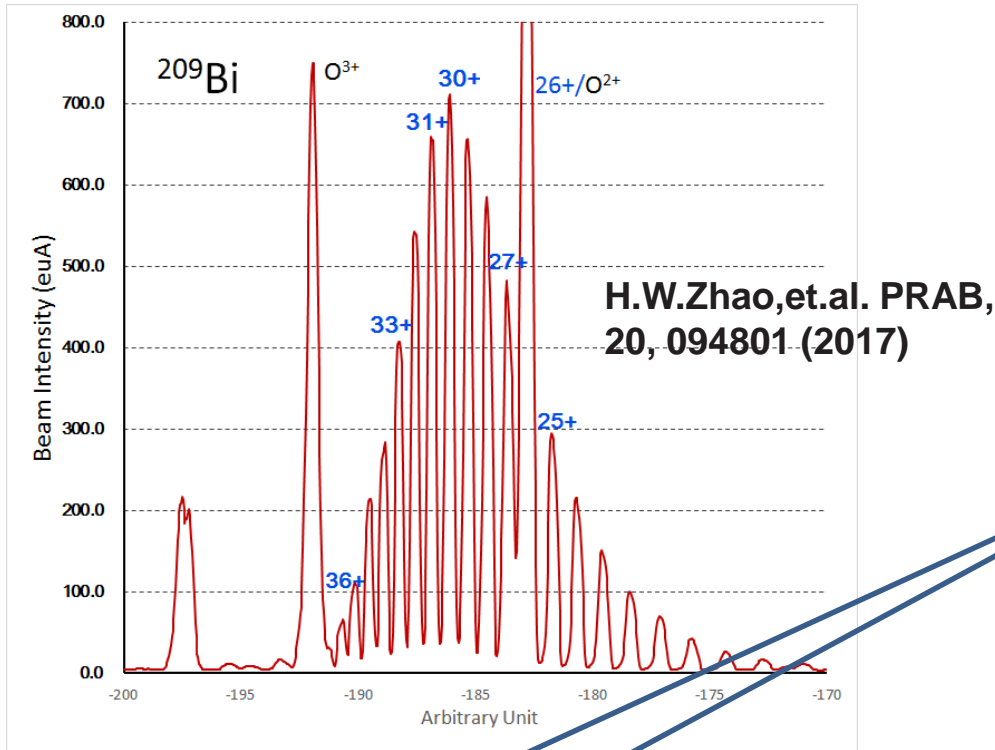




# Record beam intensities produced by SECRAL and SECRAL II

## SECRAL I-II beam intensities and compared to LBNL VENUS

- For the first time in ion source history,  $\text{Ar}^{11-14+}$ ,  $\text{Kr}^{18+}$ ,  $\text{Xe}^{26+} > 1 \text{ emA}$
- Open a new era: HCI DC beams -- emA
- Important to intense-beam heavy ion linac



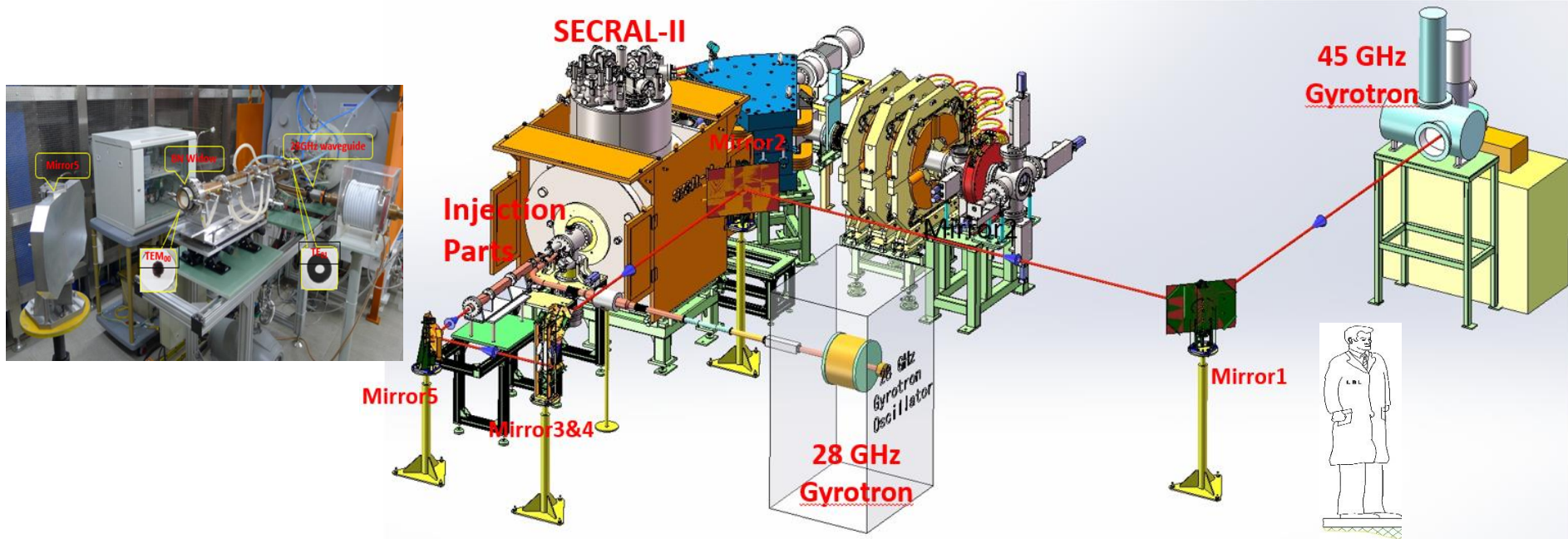
**The world record beam intensities**

Ion Beam	SECRAL I-II (emA) (2015-2017)	LBNL VENUS beam Intensity 2017 (emA)
$^{16}\text{O}^{6+}$	<b>6700</b>	4750
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{12+}$	<b>1420</b>	1060
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{16+}$	<b>620</b>	523
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{18+}$	<b>14</b>	4
$^{40}\text{Ca}^{11+}$	<b>710</b>	400
$^{78}\text{Kr}^{18+}$	<b>1030</b>	770
$\text{Xe}^{26+}$	<b>1100</b>	
$\text{Xe}^{30+}$	<b>320</b>	211
$\text{Xe}^{42+}$	<b>17</b>	6
$^{209}\text{Bi}^{31+}$	<b>680</b>	300
$^{209}\text{Bi}^{41+}$	<b>100</b>	
$^{209}\text{Bi}^{50+}$	<b>10</b>	5
$^{238}\text{U}^{33+}$	202	<b>440</b>

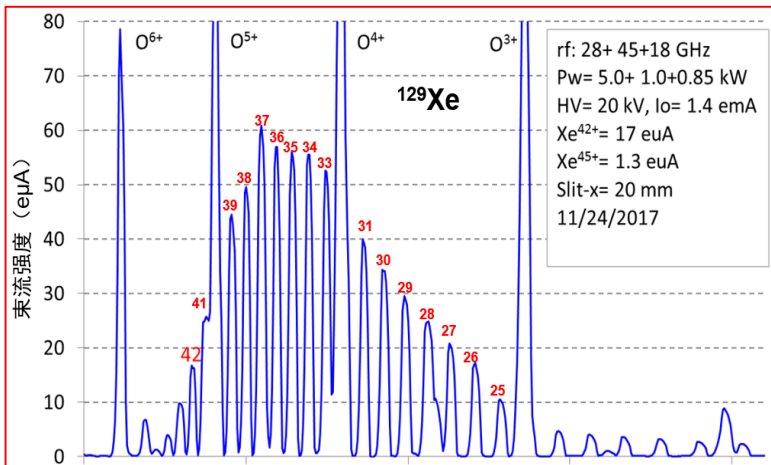


# HCI beam production by 45 GHz ECR plasma at SECRAL II

## World first beam test for HCI production with 45 GHz ECR plasma



## 28+45+18 GHz three frequency heating

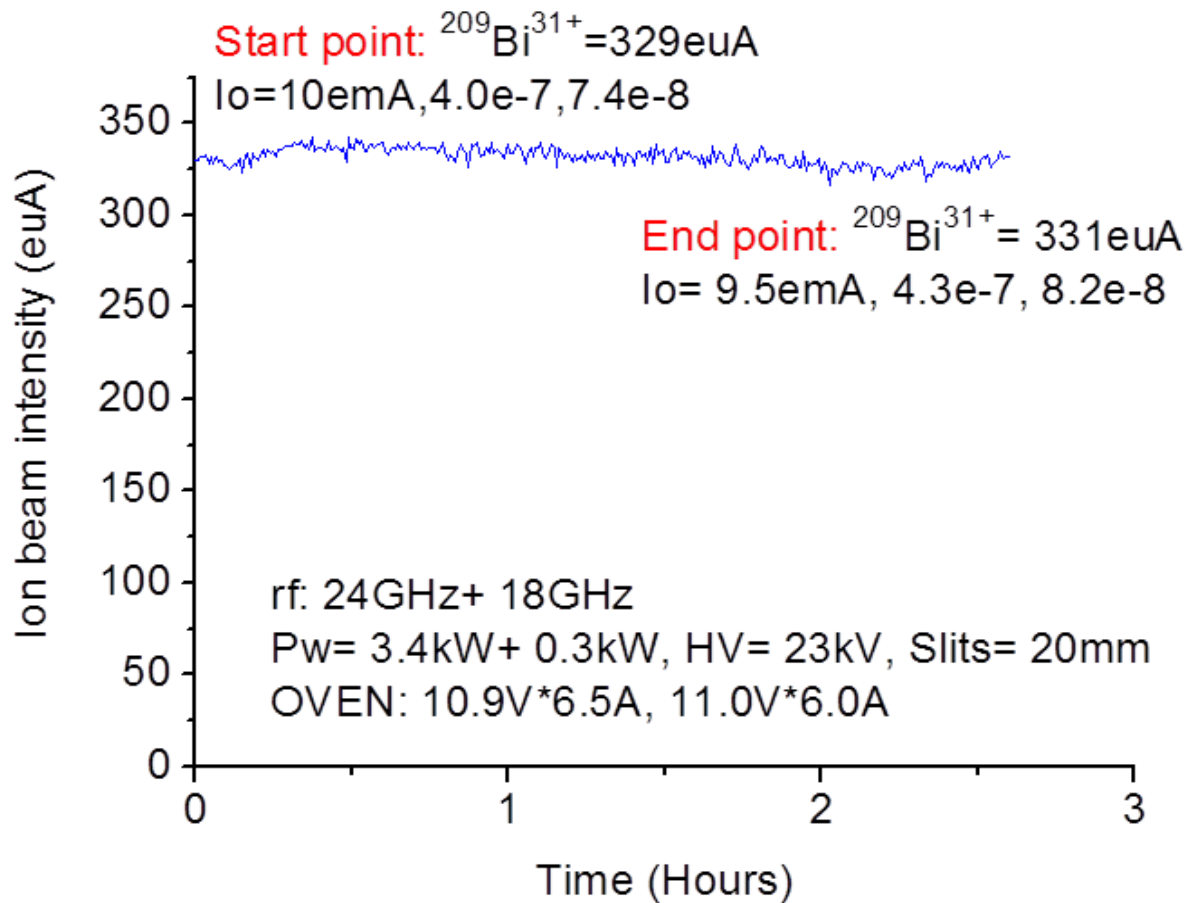


Ion	VENUS 28+18 GHz (eμA)	SECRAL 24+18 GHz (eμA)	SECRAL-II 45+28+18 GHz (eμA)
$^{129}Xe^{38+}$	26	22.6	53
$Xe^{42+}$	6	---	17
$Xe^{44+}$	2	1	3.9
$Xe^{45+}$	0.88	0.1	1.3

H.W. Zhao, et.al. RSI, (2018)



# Intense beam stability from SECRAL

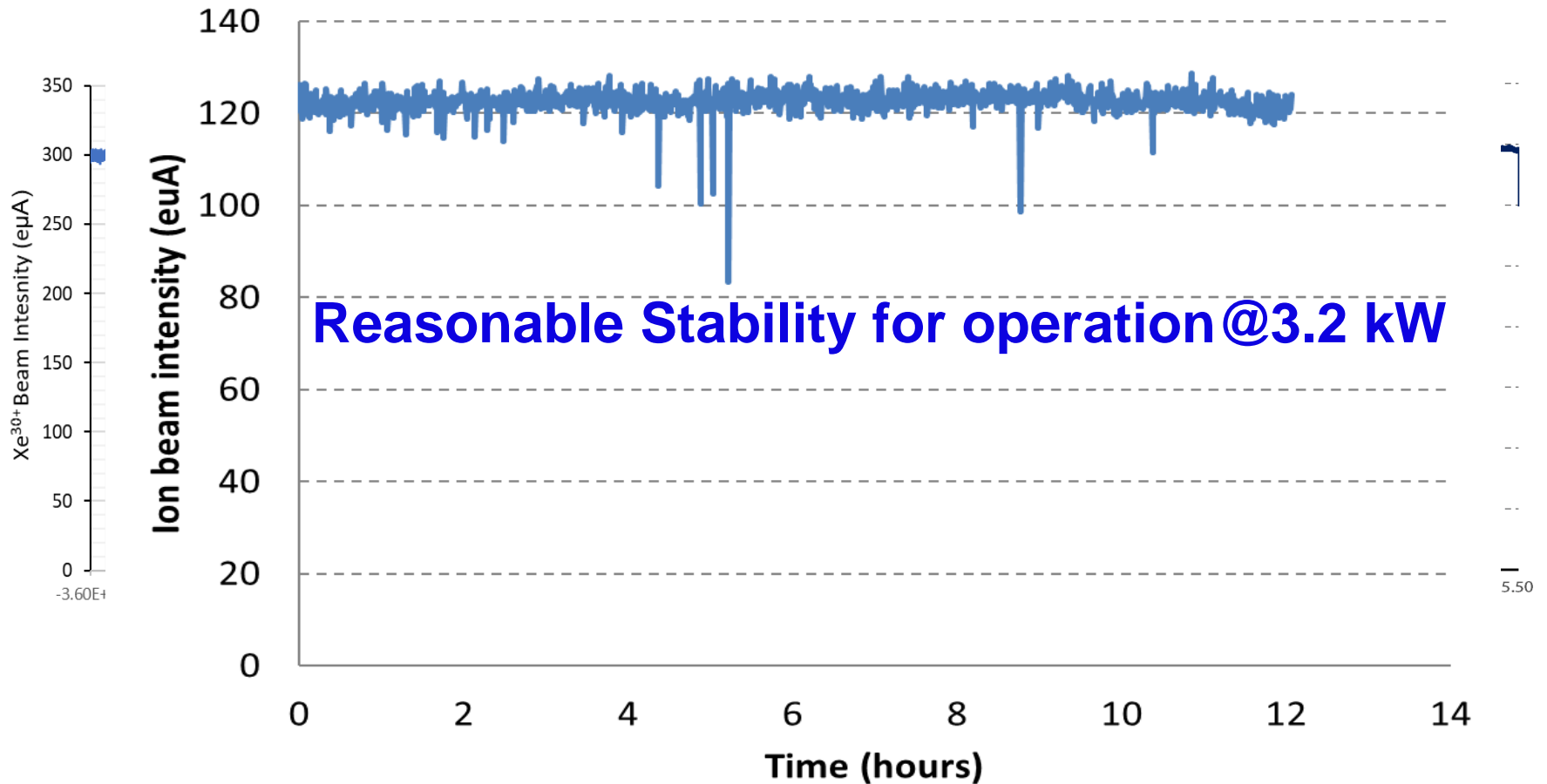


**$^{209}\text{Bi}^{31+}$  329 e $\mu$ A more than 2 hours stability test operation at 3.7 kW**



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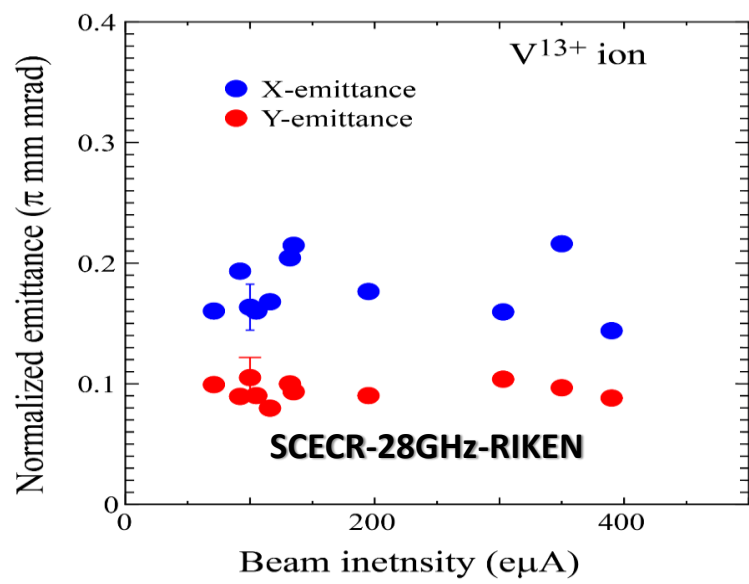
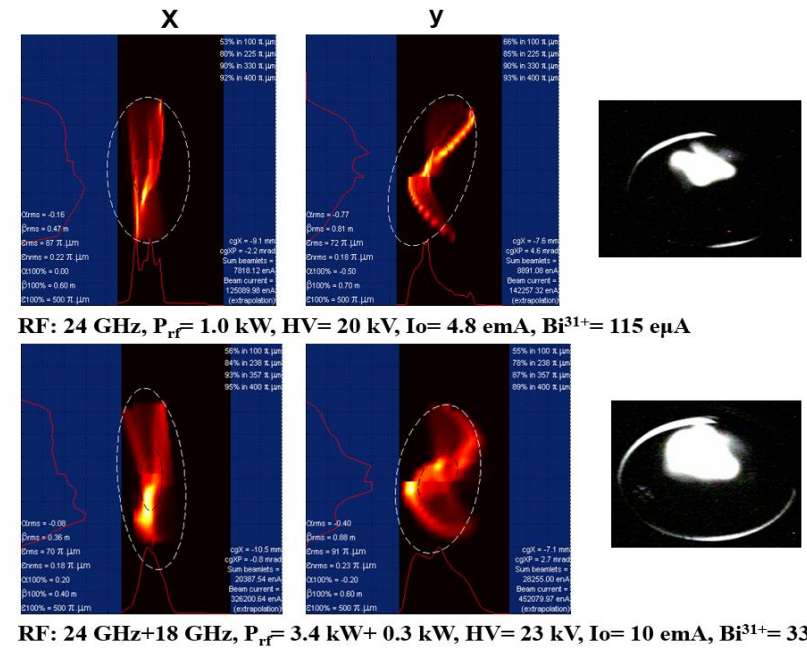
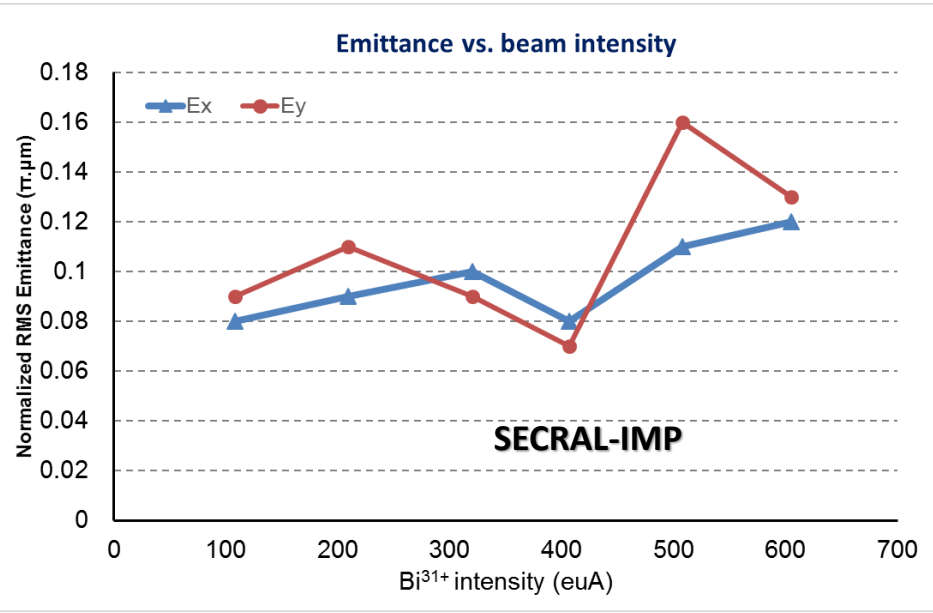
SECRAL-II  $^{86}\text{Kr}^{26+}$  120 euA



□ More sparks at high RF power



# SECRAL beam emittance

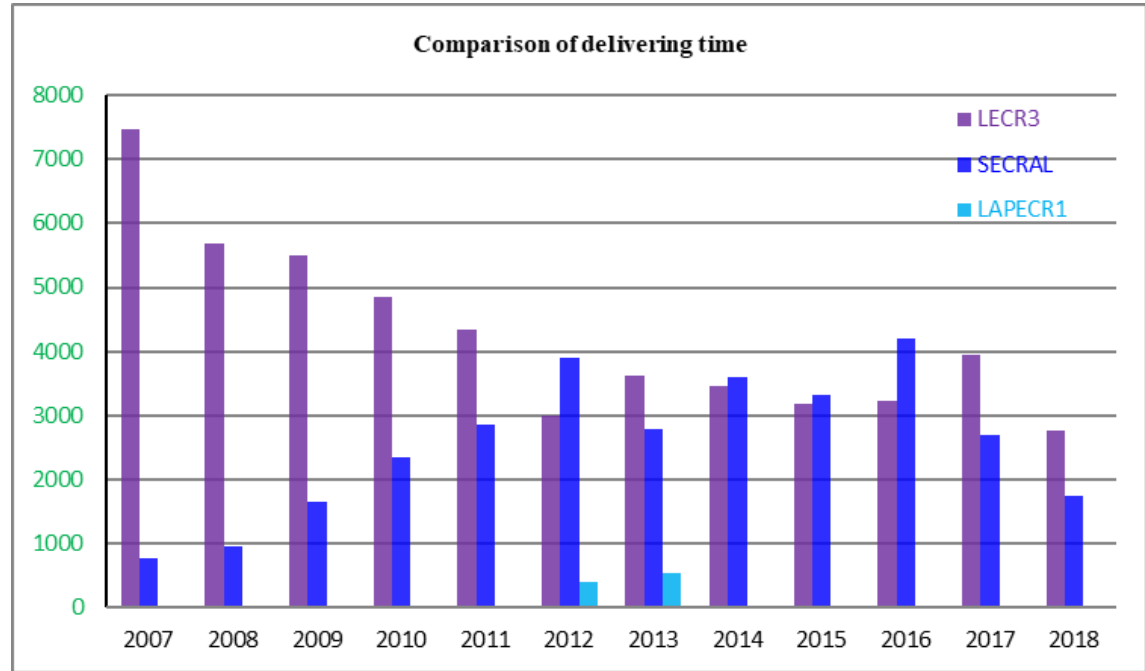
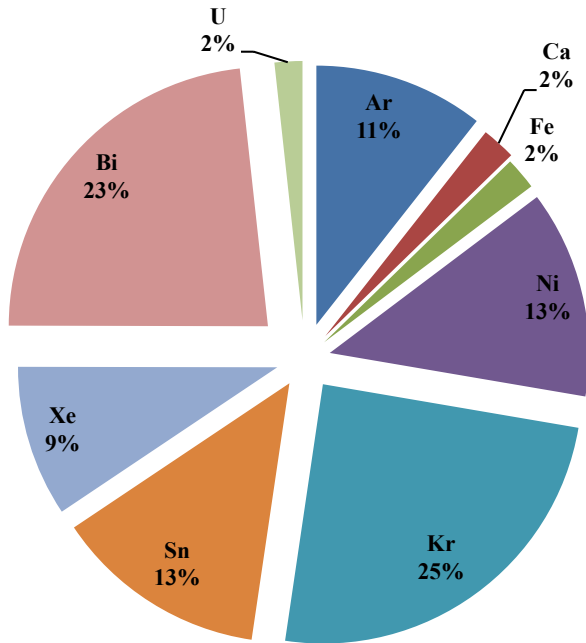


T. Nakagawa talk at ECRIS2018





# SECRAL operation status at HIRFL



- Intense heavy ion beams
- Intense highly charged ion beams

- ~35,000 hours beam time up to June, 2018
- Demonstrate its reliability
- No any other 3<sup>rd</sup> generation SC ECRIS in the world has ever run such long-time beams



# Intensity enhancement of HIRFL accelerator by SECRAI



**SSC (K=450)**  
100 AMeV (H.I.), 110 MeV (p)

**SFC (K=69)**  
10 AMeV (H.I.), 17~35 MeV (p)

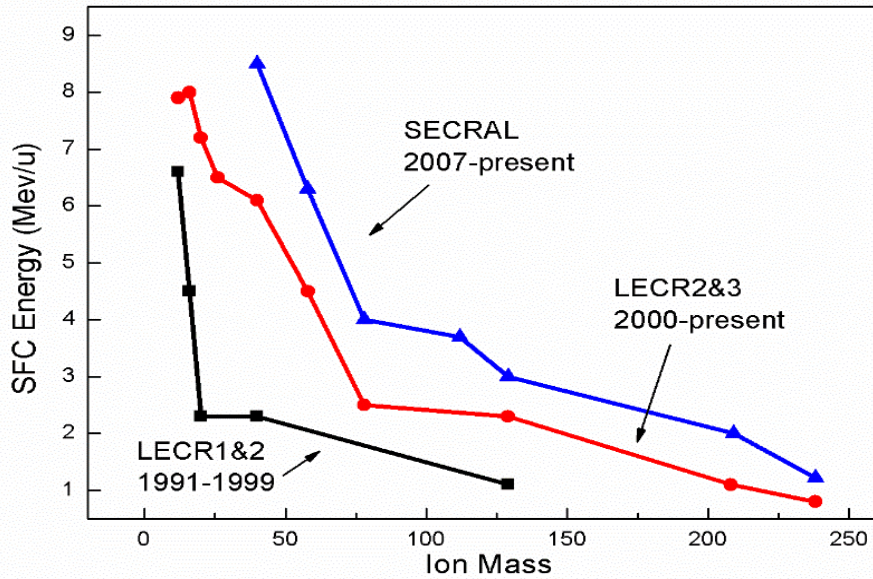


- SFC beam intensities for heavy ions such as Ni, Kr, Xe, Bi, U, increased by a factor 10
- SSC beam intensities for heavy ions such as Ni, Kr, Xe, Bi, increased by a factor  $>50$
- CSR is able to run those heavy ion beams such as Ni, Xe, Bi, U with SFC as an injector.

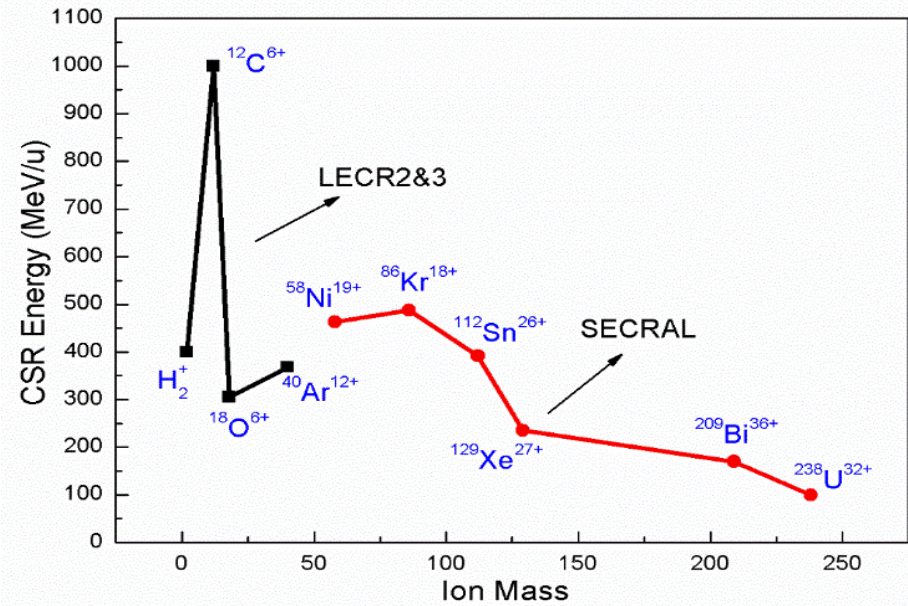


# SECRAL impact to HIRFL performance of beam energy

## SFC



## CSRm





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# IMP future heavy ion facility HIAF

Bring-N: 0.8 GeV/A,  $3 \times 10^{10}$ ppp

HIAF: 2018-2024

Budget: 1.5+1.1 B CNY, approved

Site: Huizhou, Guangdong

## External target station

- High Energy Density Physics
- Nuclear Matter study-CEE
- Hypernuclear
- High energy irradiation

L: 180m, Bp: 25 Tm

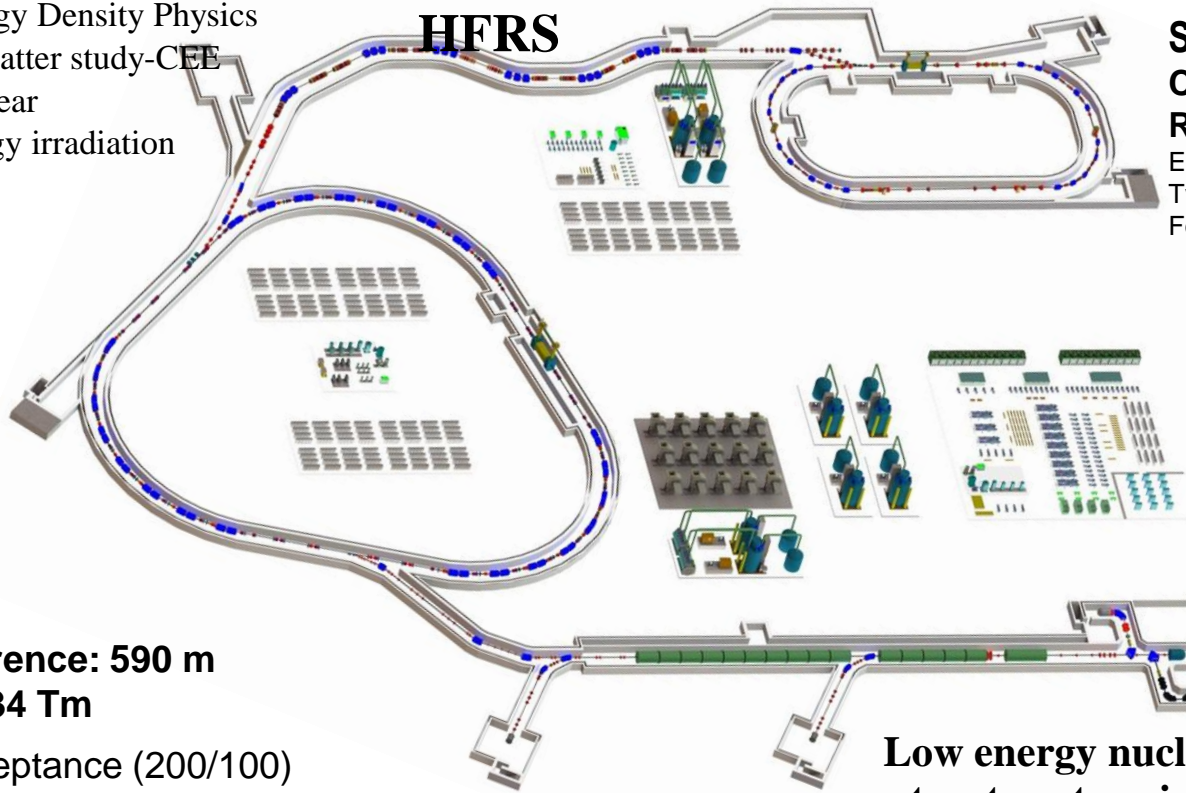
## HFRS

## SRing: Spectrometer ring

Circumference: 273m

Rigidity: 13-15 Tm

- Electron/Stochastic cooling
- Two TOF detectors
- Four operation modes



Bring-N:

Circumference: 590 m

Rigidity: 34 Tm

- Large acceptance (200/100)
- Two planes painting injection
- Fast ramping rate (3-5-10Hz)

## iLinac: Superconducting linac

Length:80 m

Energy: 17~22 MeV/u(U<sup>35+</sup> ~ 46+)

Low energy nuclear structure terminal

## SECRAL and FECR

28-45GHz,  
1.0emA(U<sup>35+</sup>- U<sup>46+</sup>)



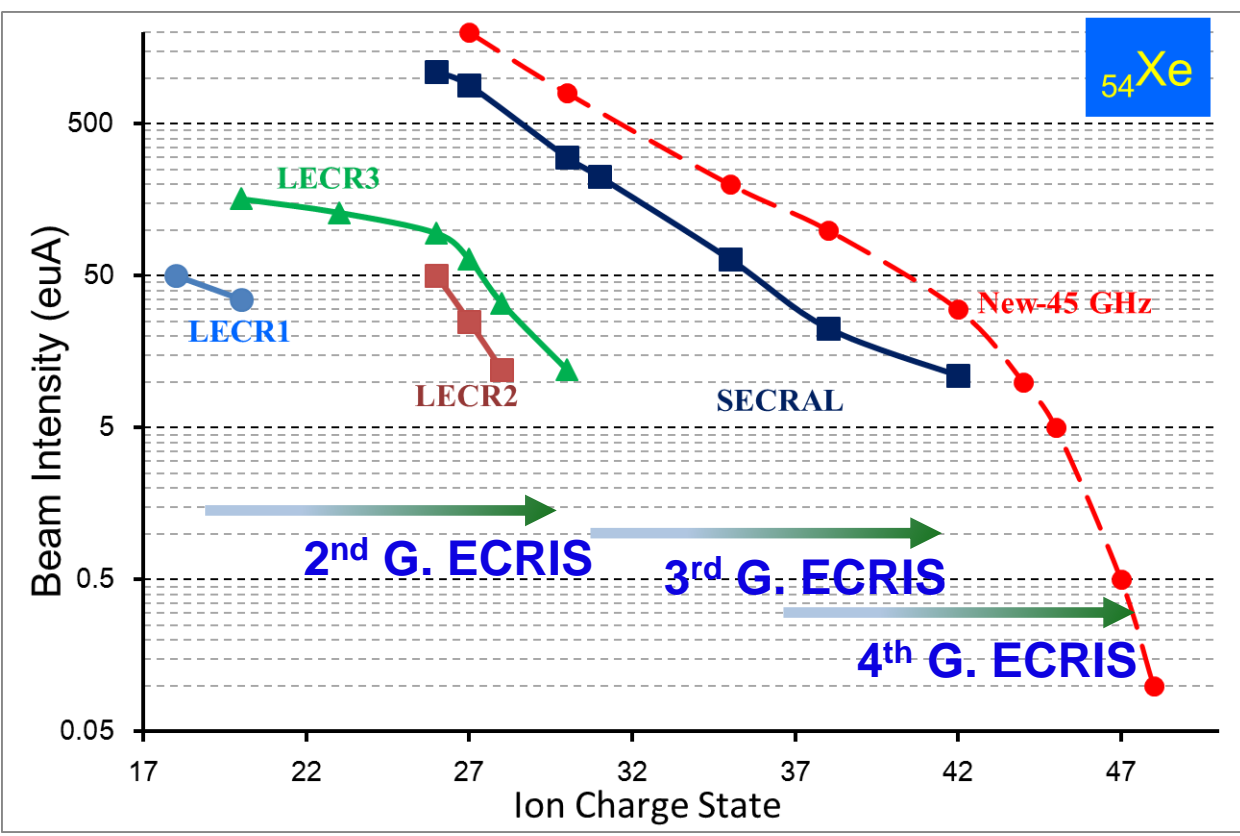
# Next Generation ECR ion source

Higher microwave frequency 40-60 GHz is the most straight forward path to achieve high beam intensity for HCI ECRIS.

$$I^q \propto \omega_{ECR}^2, G_q \sim (28/18)^2 = 2.4$$



**45 GHz ~  $G_q = 2.6$**   
**>1.0 emA  $U^{35+}$ , dc**  
 (>2.0 emA, pulsed)



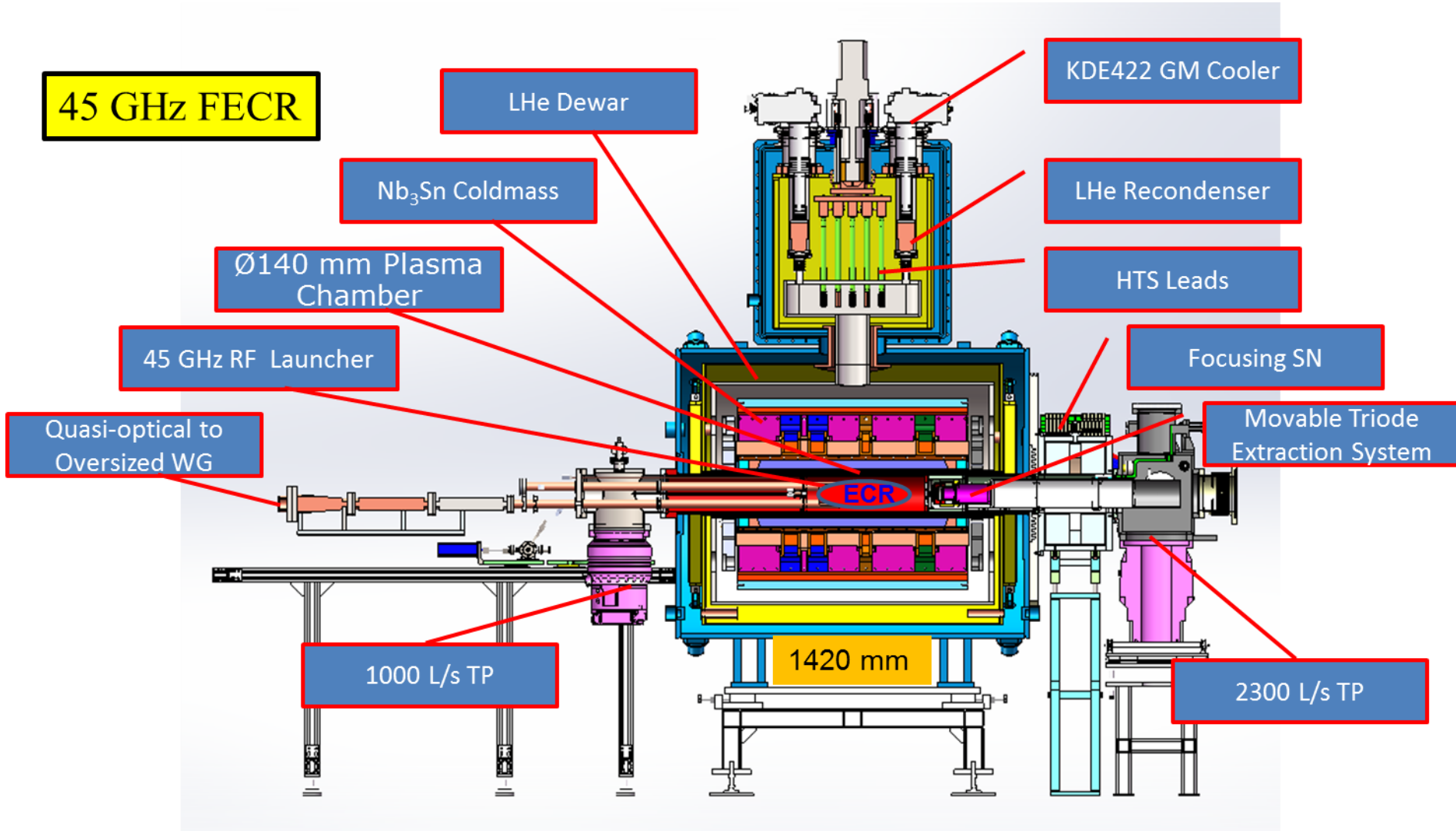
Specs.	Unit	45 GHz ECRIS
Frequency	GHz	45
Mirror Fields	T	≥6.4/3.2
$B_{rad}$	T	≥3.2
Mirror Length	mm	~500
Magnet coils	/	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn
Conductor	$J_c > 1500 \text{ A/mm}^2 @ 12\text{T}$	
Cooling Capacity@4.2 K	W	≥10.0

## IMP ECR ion source development



# The world first 45 GHz ECRIS---FECR

**FECR:** first Fourth generation ECR ion source





# FECR key parameters and goal

## FECR key parameters

Microwave	45 GHz/20 kW
Magnet conductor	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn
Axial fields ( T )	6.5/1.0/3.5
Sextupole field ( T )	3.8@r=75 mm
Maximum field ( T )	11.8 T
Maximum stress (MPa)	150
Magnet bore ( mm )	>Ø160
Stored energy (MJ)	1.6
Extraction ( kV)	50
Typical beam	1.0 emA U <sup>35+</sup>

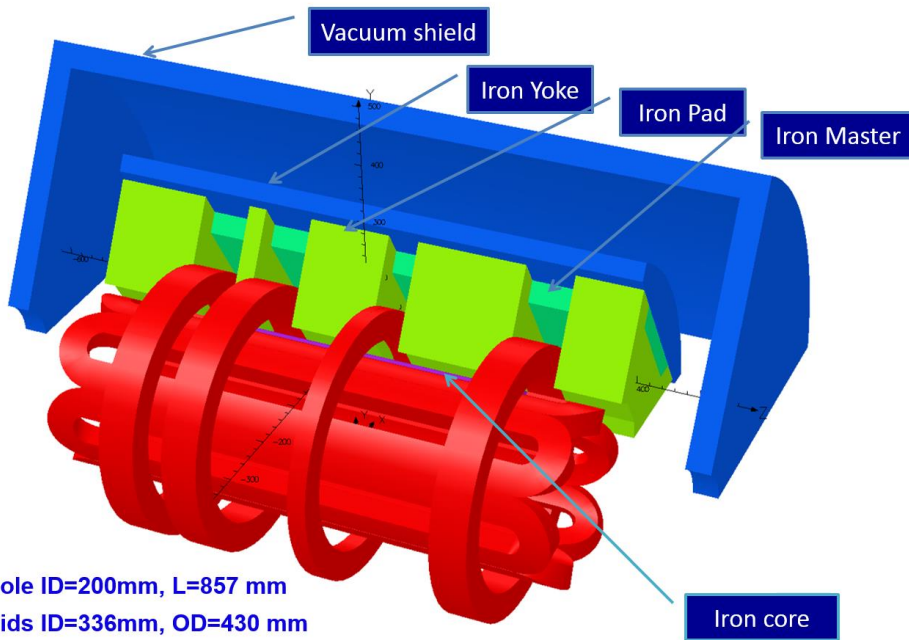
## Beams and intensities expected from FECR

$^{129}\text{Xe}^{30+}$	>1000 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{129}\text{Xe}^{45+}$	> 50 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{209}\text{Bi}^{31+}$	>1000 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{209}\text{Bi}^{55+}$	> 50 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$	>1000 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{238}\text{U}^{41+}$	> 200 $\mu\text{A}$
$^{238}\text{U}^{56+}$	> 30 $\mu\text{A}$

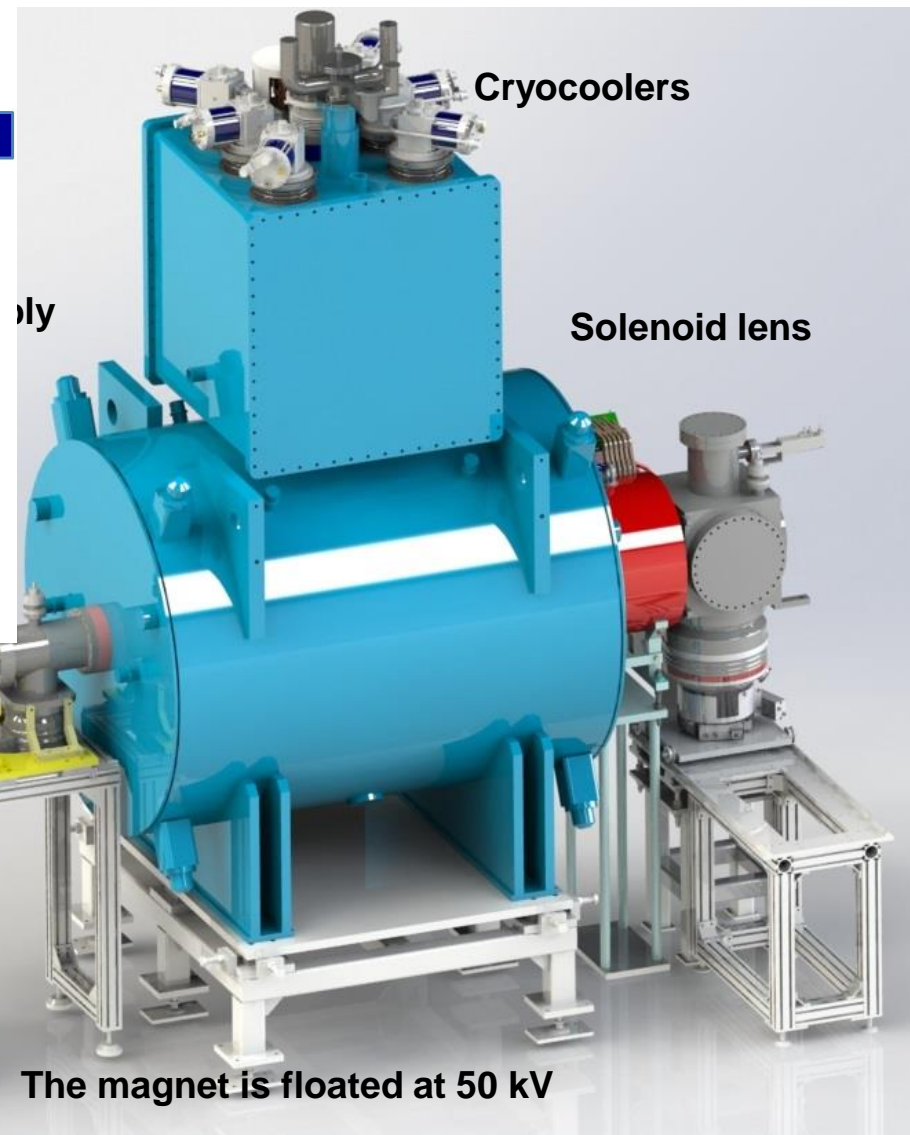




# 45 GHz FECR ion source



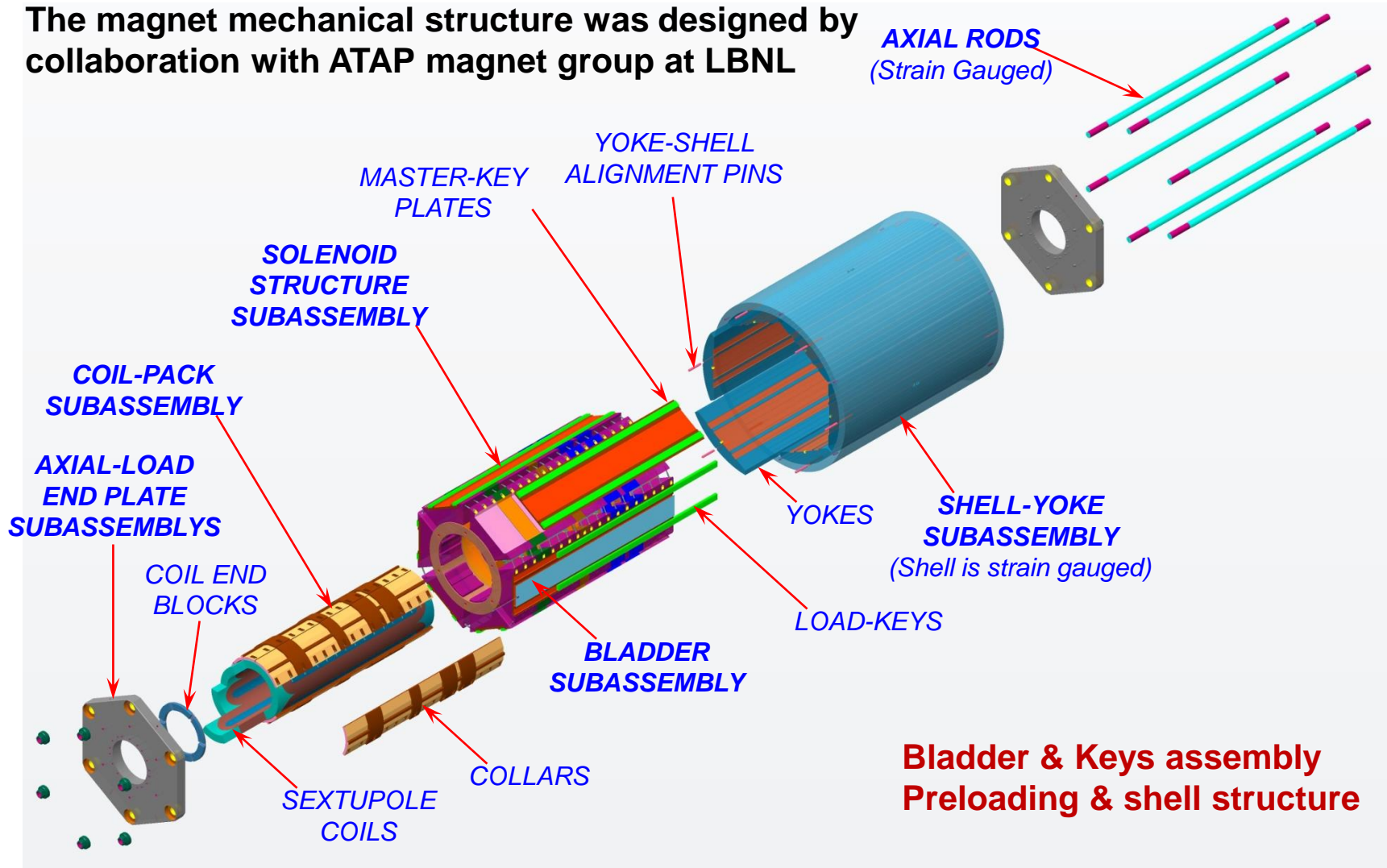
Sextupole ID=200mm, L=857 mm  
Solenoids ID=336mm, OD=430 mm





# FECR Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet mechanical structure

The magnet mechanical structure was designed by collaboration with ATAP magnet group at LBNL



This Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet is being built by a Chinese company without collaboration with ATAP/LBNL. DOE did not approve such collaboration.



# Challenges in FECR magnet development

## ■ Coil fabrication

- **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn single wire winding (sextupole coil)**
- **Curing with precise configuration**
- **Large number of current leads**
- **Insulation**

## ■ Integration and assembling

- **Precise fabrication and assembling**
- **Tolerance control**

## ■ Quench protection

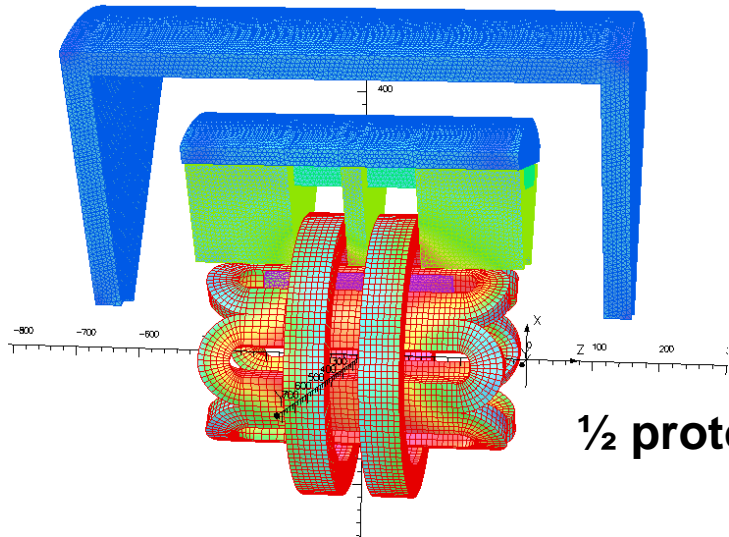
- **Quench detection and protection**

## ■ Dynamic heat load from 45 GHz ECR plasma

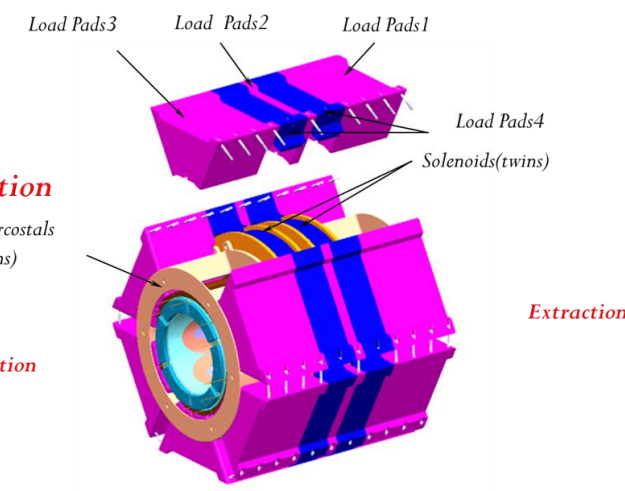
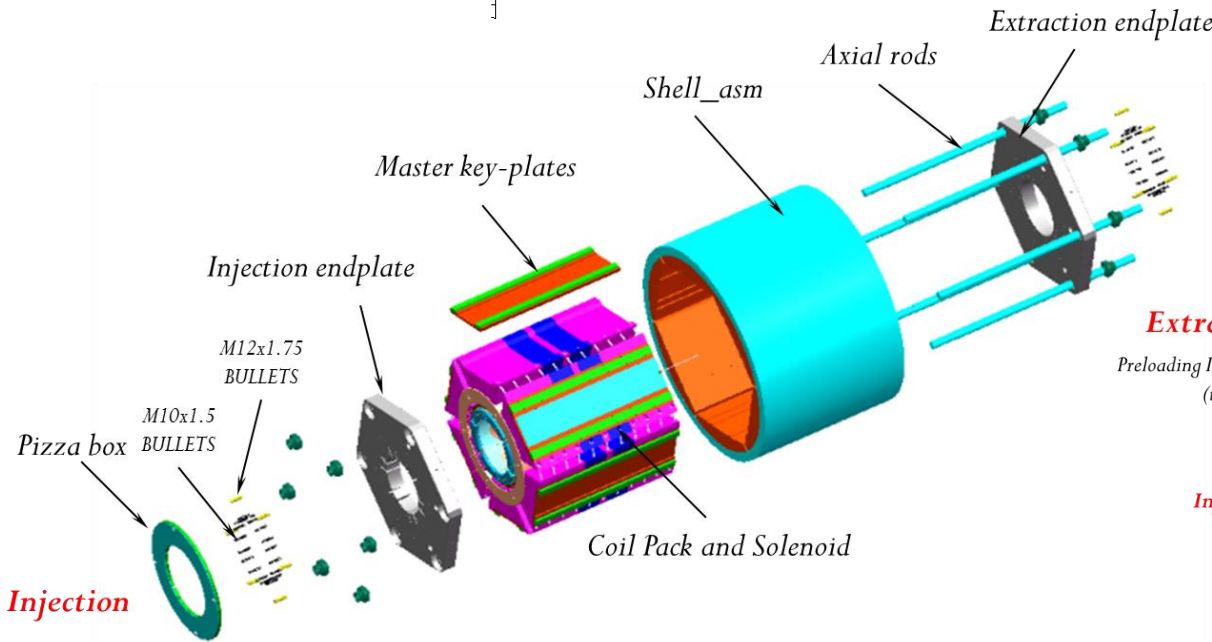
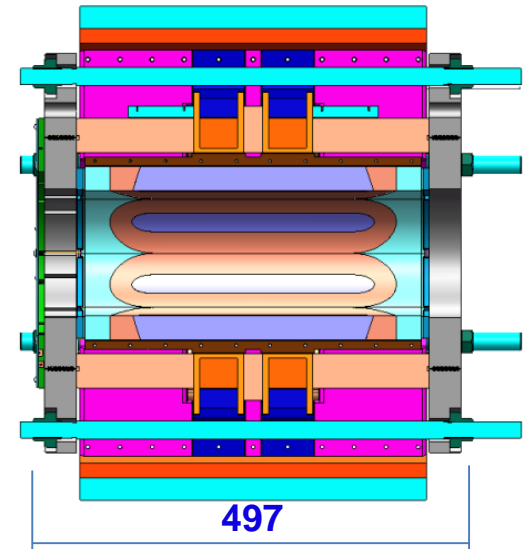
- **Heat load may > 2 W/kW**



# Prototype of FECR Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet



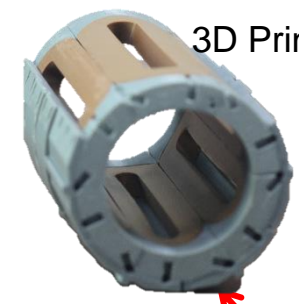
1/2 prototyping magnet



Prototype magnet is being fabricated by a company in China



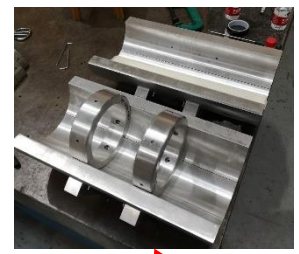
# Status of FECR Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet prototype



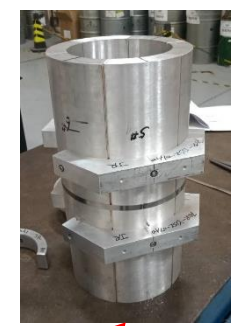
3D Printing Check



Solenoid coil sub-assembly with load-pads



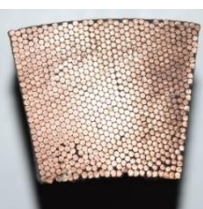
Master plates



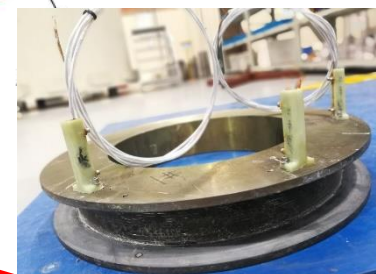
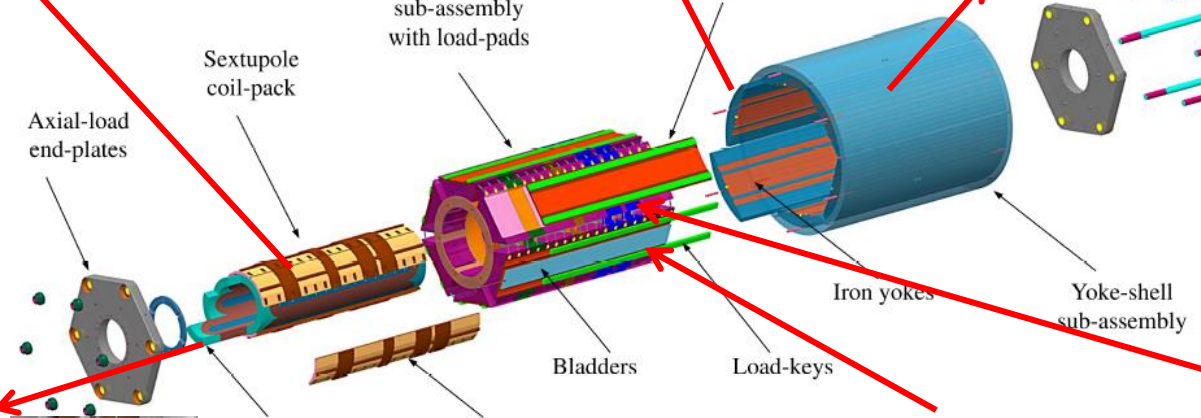
Iron yokes



Pretension with piston



Axial-load end-plates



Yoke-shell sub-assembly



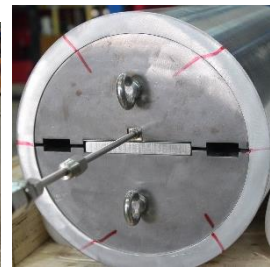
Prototyping Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn sextupole coil



Sextupole coils



Collars



Sextupole coil and bladder+key test assembly



Bladders

Load-keys



800 A no quench



# Summary and conclusion

- Accelerator facility for rare isotope beam production requests high intensity primary ion beam which actually very much depends on performance of the front-end ion source.
- SC ECRIS with higher microwave frequency is the most straight forward path to achieve high beam intensity for HCI.
- SECRA&SECRA II, the world best performance highly charged ECR ion source,, have produced many record beam intensities, such as  $O^{6+}$  6.7 emA ;  $Ar^{11-14+}$ ,  $Kr^{18+}$   $Xe^{26+} > 1$  emA ;  $Xe^{42+}$ .  $Bi^{50+}$ ,  $U^{50+} > 10$  eμA.
- SECRA has delivered HCI beams for HIRFL accelerator for almost 10 years, which has demonstrated its good long-term reliability and stability, and has greatly enhanced HIRFL performance in terms of beam intensity and energy.
- SC ECRIS, such as SECRA & SECRA II, may provide some new research opportunities for rare isotope beam physics because of demonstrated such level of ion source performance.
- Future development of SC ECRIS is the 4<sup>th</sup> generation with microwave heating frequency 40-60 GHz. IMP is developing the world first 4<sup>th</sup> Gen. ECRIS—45 GHz FEER, which may get beam by July 2020.

**Thanks for your  
attention**

**谢谢！**



# Option of FECR magnet Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn superconductor

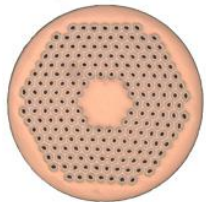
## Wire ✓

### Pros:

- No extra cabling process
- Lower power supply currents (<1000 A)
- Simpler HTS current lead solution
- HV platform feasible
- Cost efficient

### Cons:

- Sextupole coil winding more difficult ✗
- Quench protection issues ✗
  - ~1.6 MJ stored energy
  - Higher quench voltage
- Superconducting joints
- Higher failure risk ✗



OST M-Grade Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn wire

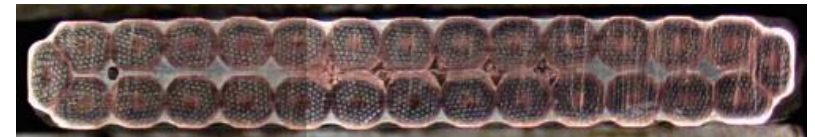
## Cable

### Pros:

- Successful examples of Accelerator magnets
- Good reliability
- Easier quench protection sys.

### Cons:

- Not feasible for HV platform ✗
  - 100~300 kV
  - 10 kA PSs on Platform
- Cryogenic solution ✗
- Higher cost
- Extra Cabling R&D



Rutherford Cable







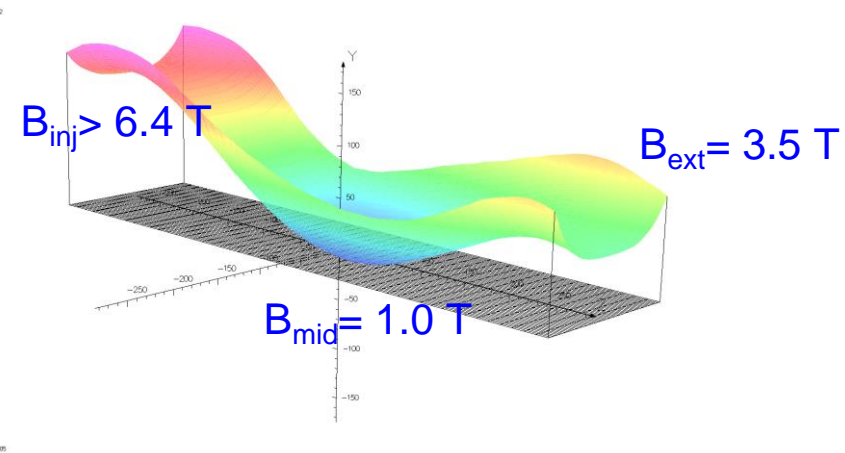
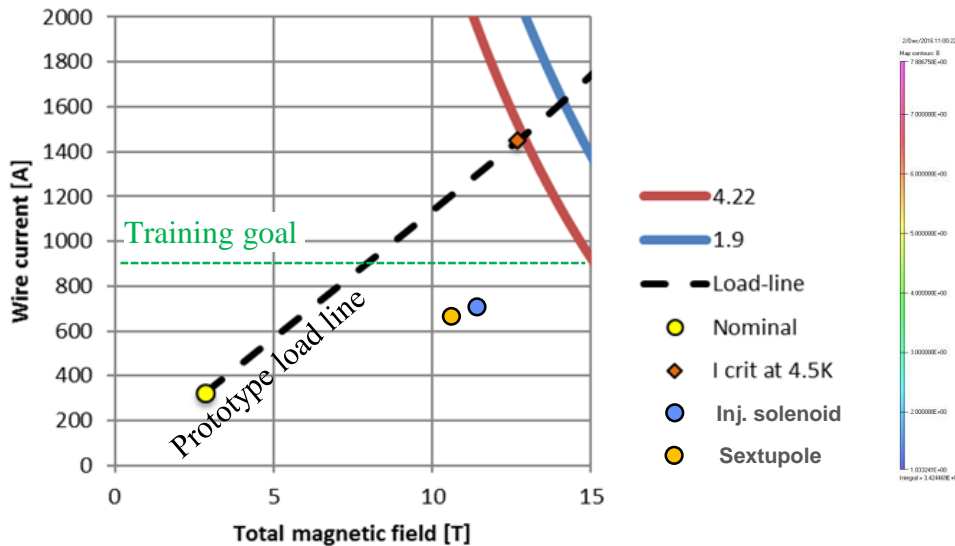
# FECR optimized Magnetic Design

## Coil and conductor operation parameters

	Nominal engineering current density $J_e$ (A/mm <sup>2</sup> )	Nominal wire current $I_e$ (A)	Nominal peak field $B_{\text{peak-n}}$ (T)	Load factor (%)
<b>Sext.</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>75.9</b>
<b>Inj.</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>78.2</b>
<b>Mid.</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>36.5</b>
<b>Ext.</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>67.3</b>

Assuming packing factor of 65% (sextupole) and 70% (solenoid)  
Wire: OST M-Grade Nb3Sn Ø1.43 mm with 0.13 mm S-glass included

## Conductor performance, stability



## Magnetic field distribution