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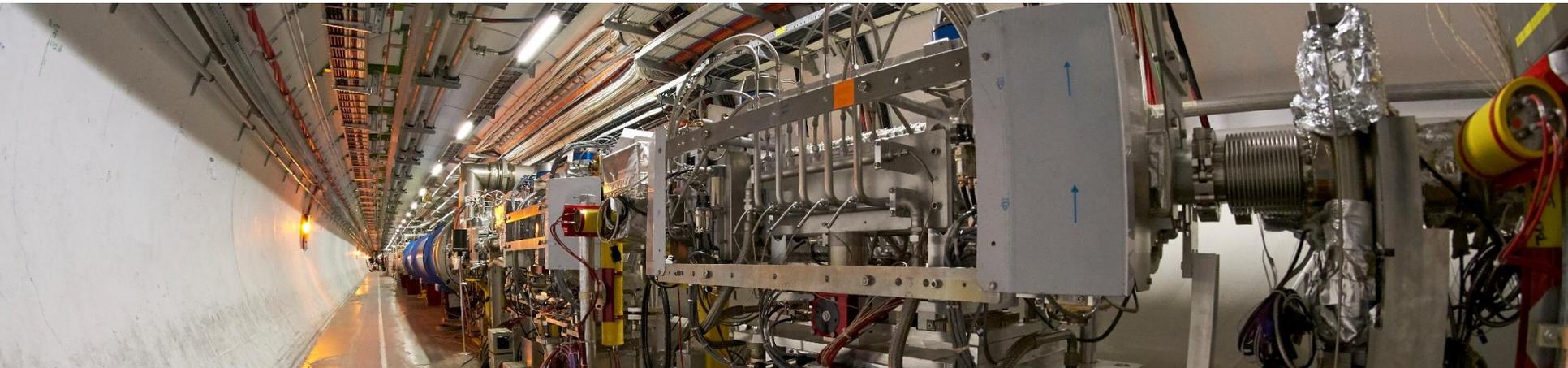


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Vacuum Technology at CERN

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Operation of large systems (km length)

Control and monitoring of distributed systems

Leak detection

Vacuum assessment and identification of contaminants

Physics of gas-surface interaction

Vacuum instruments and calibration

Collaborations

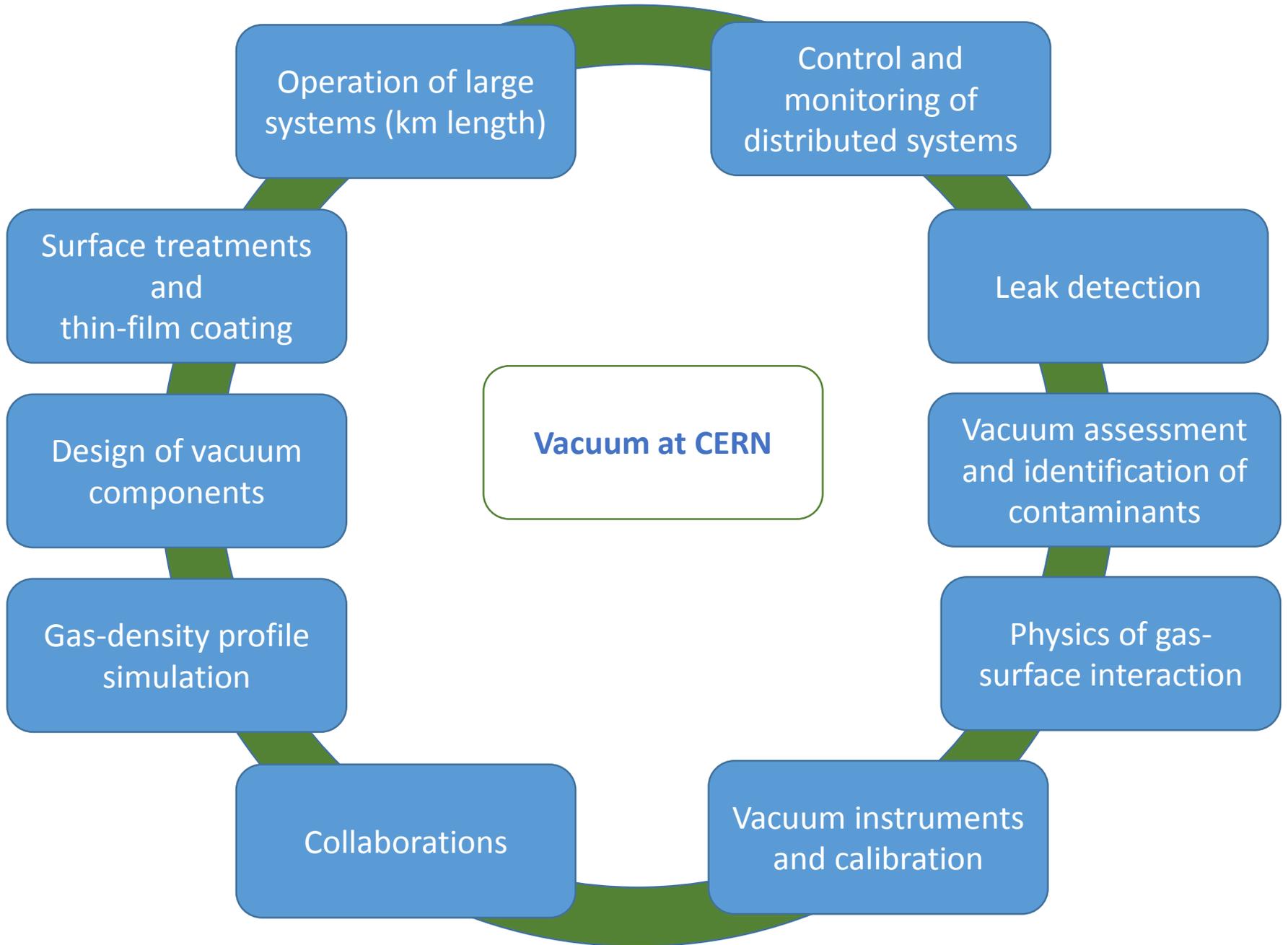
Gas-density profile simulation

Design of vacuum components

Surface treatments and thin-film coating

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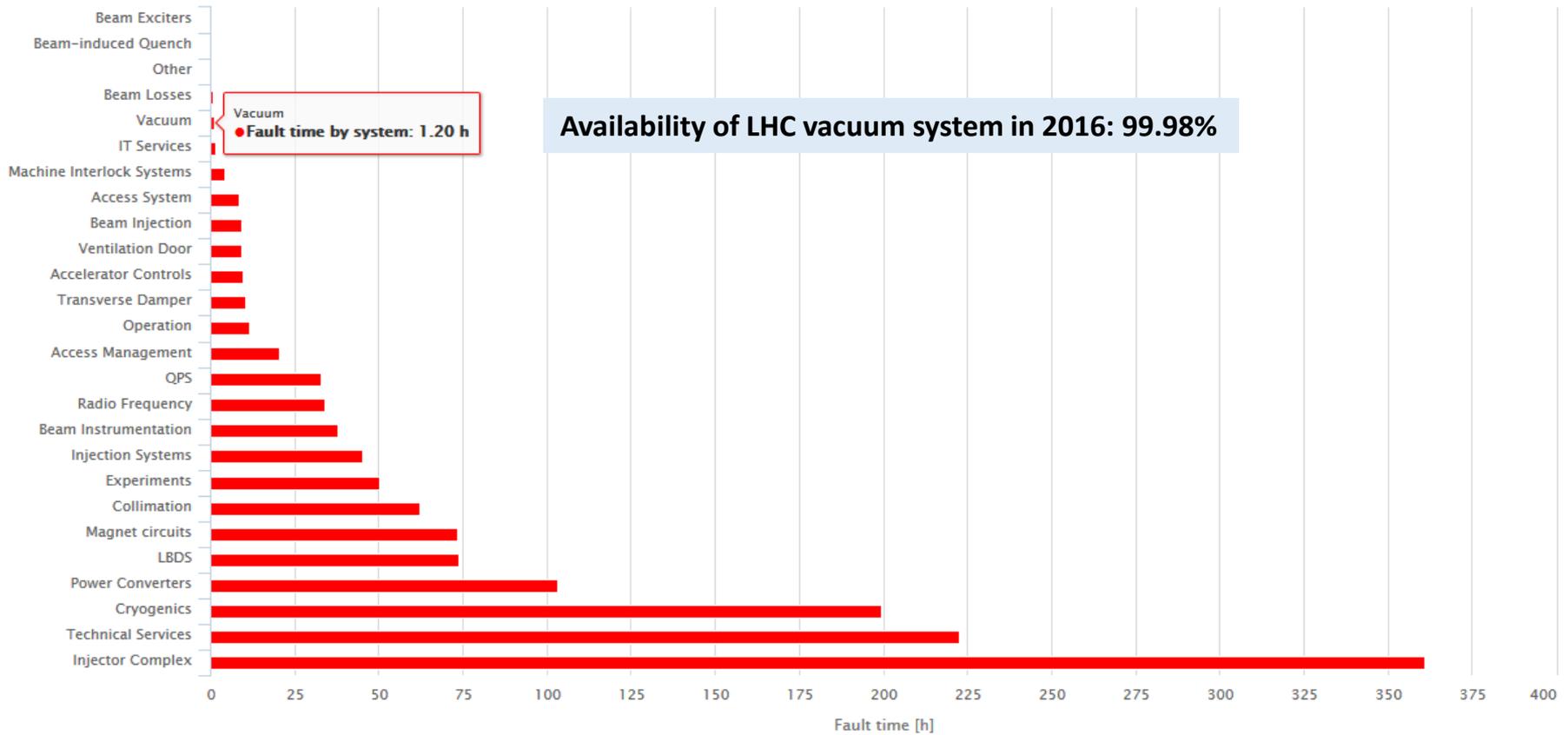
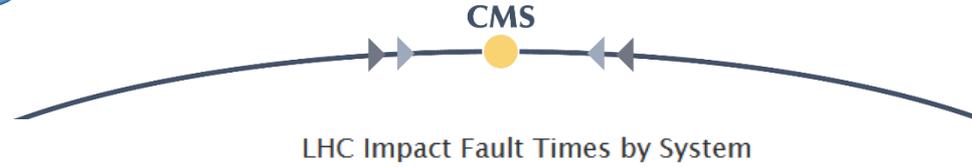
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Availability of LHC vacuum system in 2016: 99.98%

■ Fault time by system

LHC Large Hadron Collider SPS Super Proton Synchrotron PS Proton Synchrotron AD Antiproton Decelerator CTF3 Clic Test Facility

AWAKE Advanced WAKEfield Experiment ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine REX/HIE Radioactive EXperiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE

LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LINear ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight HiRadMat High-Radiation to Materials

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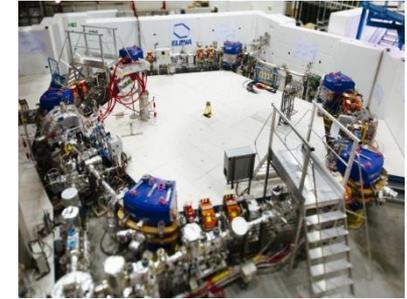
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PSB $<5 \cdot 10^{-8}$ mbar*



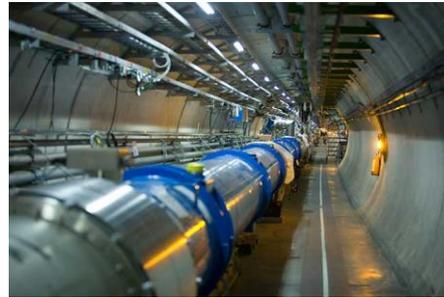
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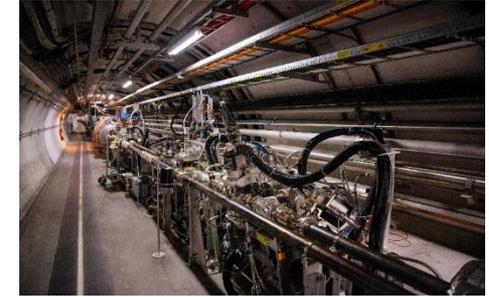
ELENA $<4 \cdot 10^{-12}$ mbar



SPS LSS $<10^{-7}$ mbar*



LHC arcs $<10^{-8}$ mbar



LHC LSS $<10^{-10}$ mbar

Unbaked systems
TMP, ion pumps, Ti sublimators

Cryogenic systems
Cryopumping

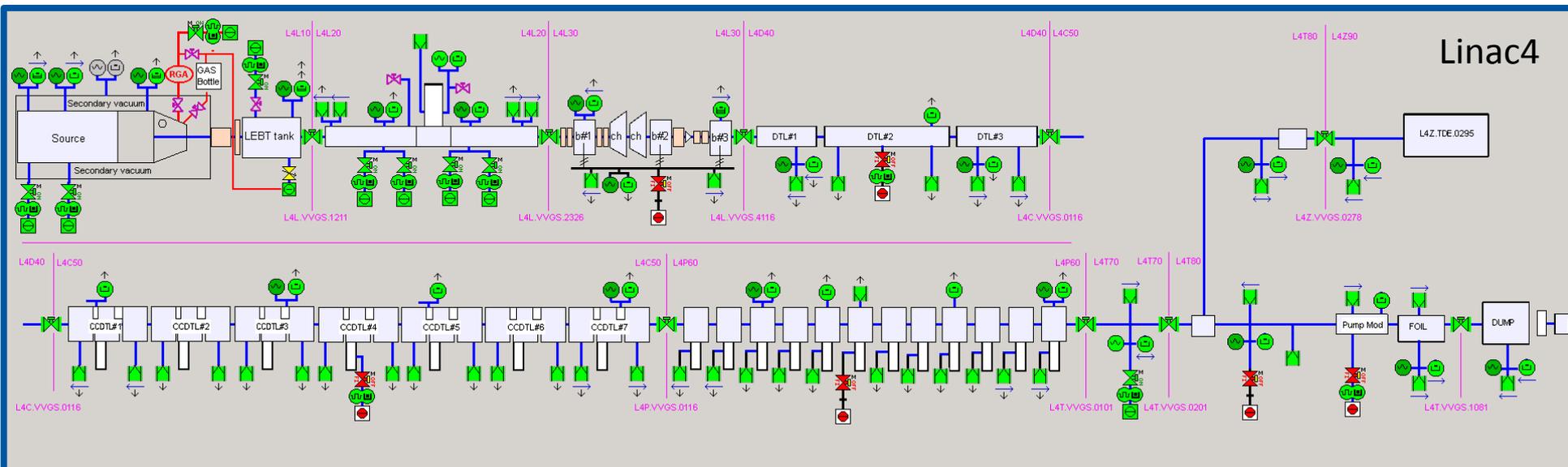
Baked systems
Ion pumps, NEG coating

* After 24 h pumpdown

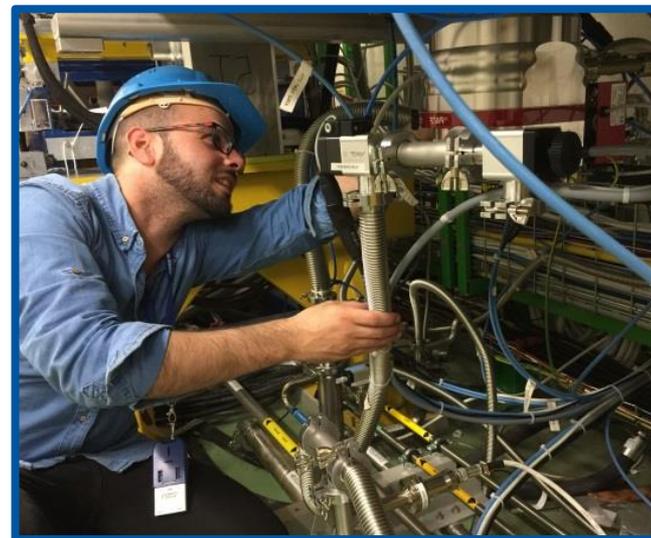
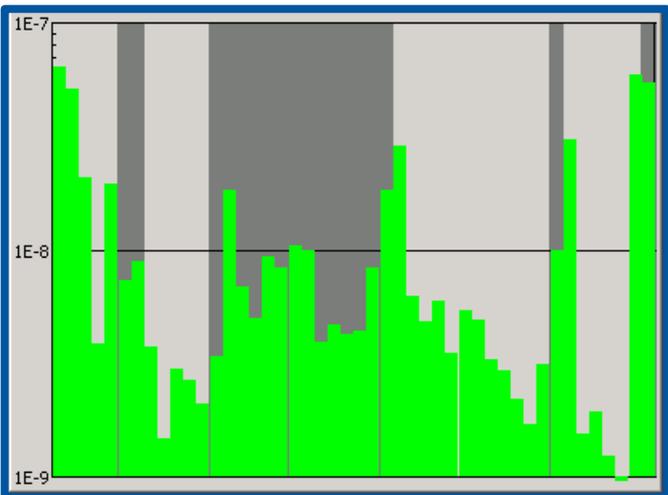
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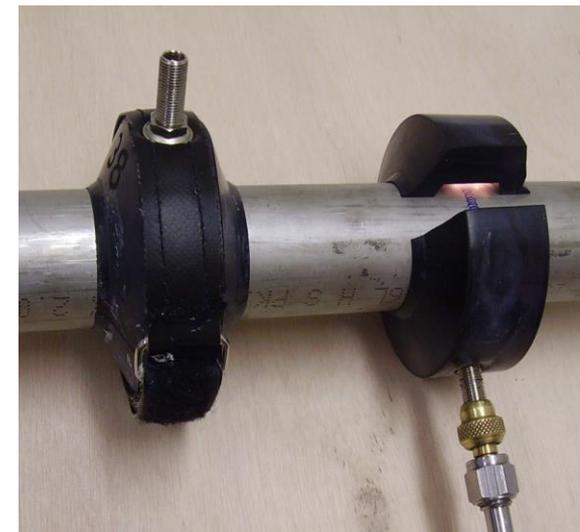
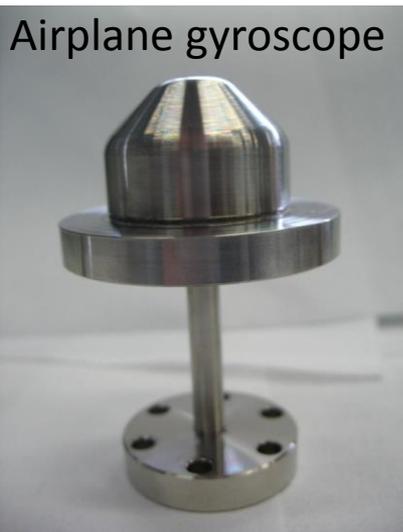


Linac4



- Expertise in leak detection from 10^2 to 10^{-15} mbar l s⁻¹
- Leak detection of large volumes (insulation vacuum) and longitudinal localisation
- Tightness assessment of welding during assembly by clam shells
- Alternative method in high helium background by Ne (²²Ne)
- Co-operation with manufacturing industry

Airplane gyroscope



Vacuum assessment and identification of contaminants

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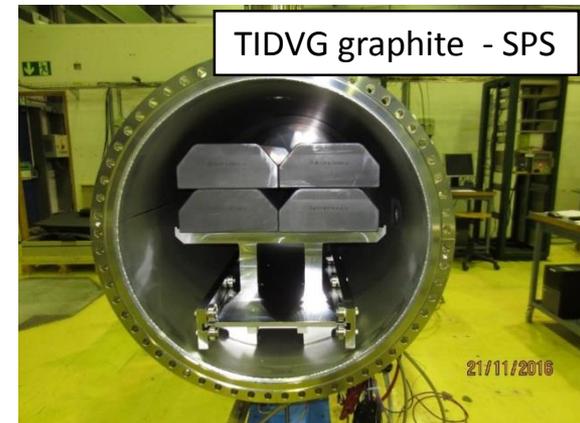
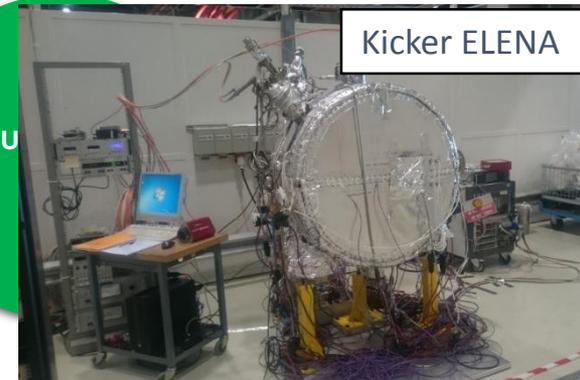
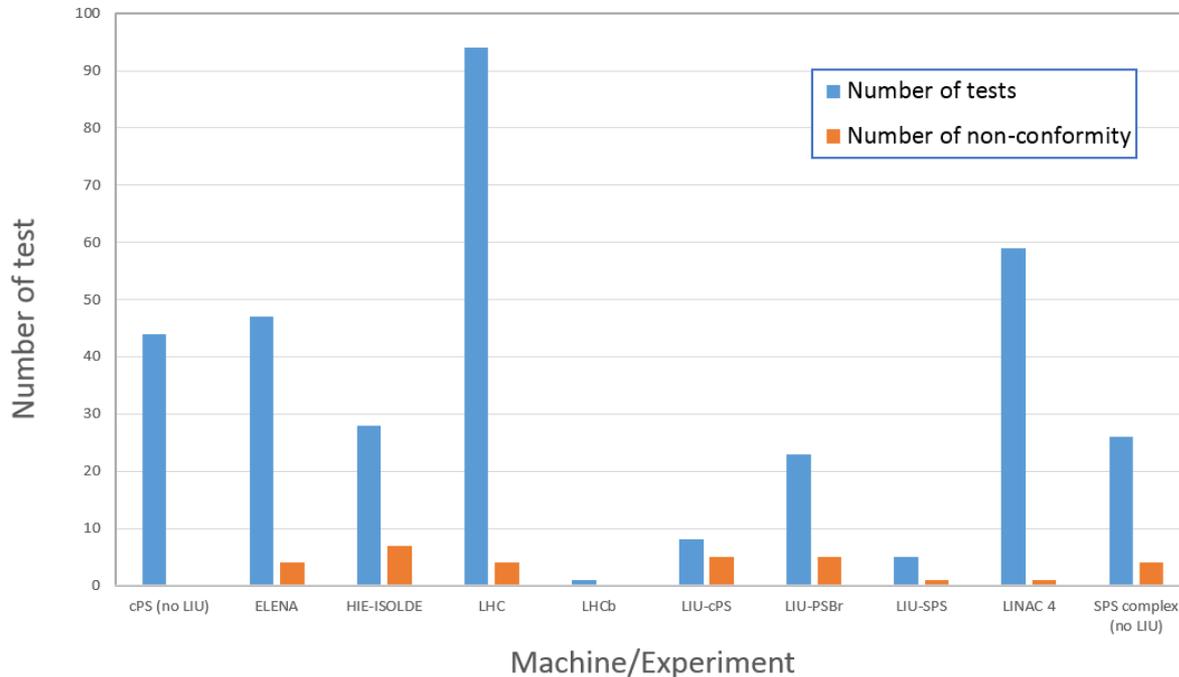
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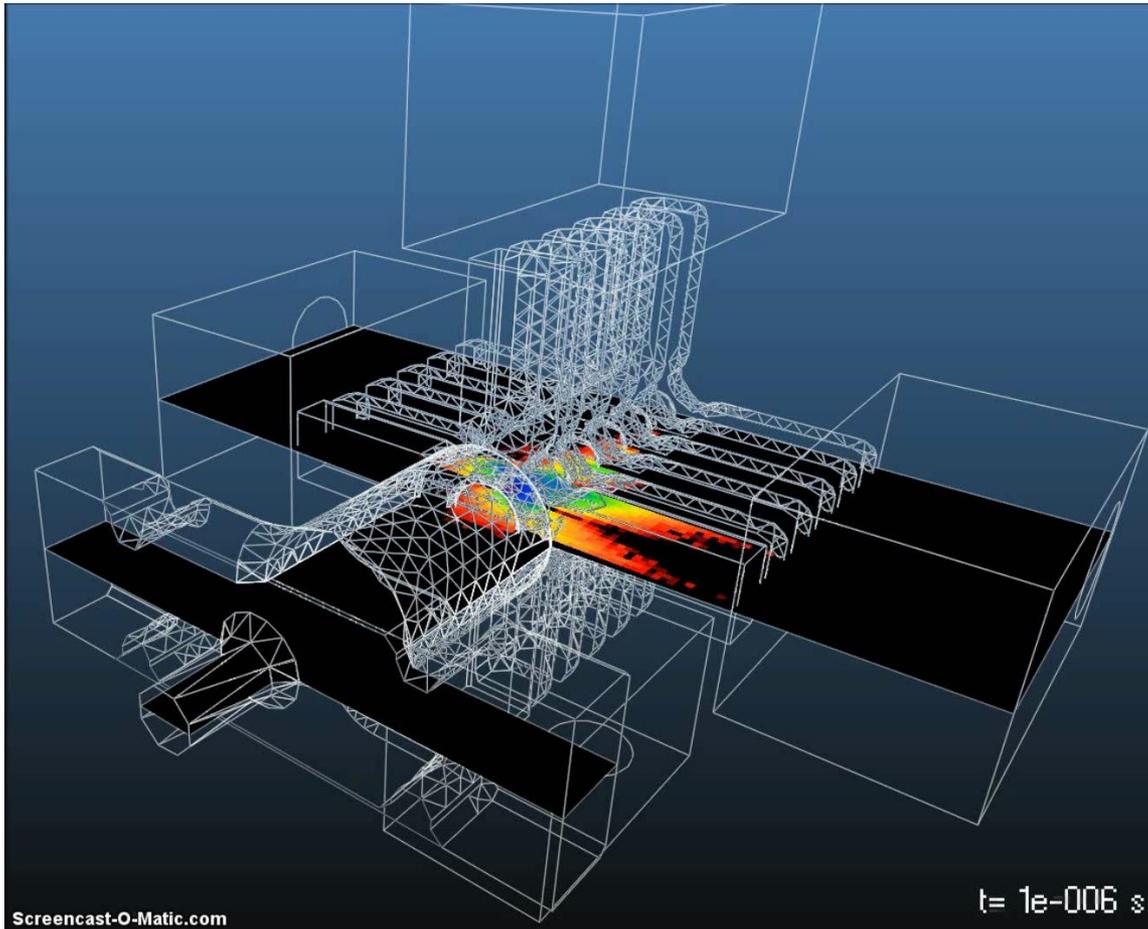
Evaluation of organic contamination by:

- Fourier Transform Infrared spectroscopy
- X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy
- Residual gas analysis



No test = No installation in beam vacuum





- Molflow+, a Monte Carlo code, is now a standard for vacuum simulation.
- Recent developments have introduced 3D time dependence of gas density, including surfaces at different temperatures.
- Synchrotron radiation distribution is integrated in the code.
- Software and assistance are available and free.

Gas expansion after a spark in a CLIC main cavity

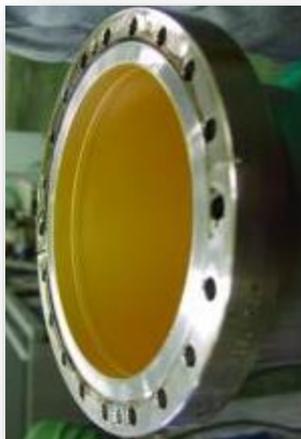
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Galvanic treatments

Gold electroplating



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Copper electroplating



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Silver electroplating



LHC TDI

Rhodium electroplating

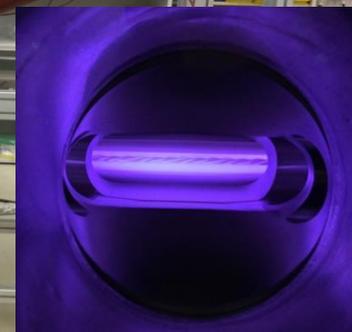
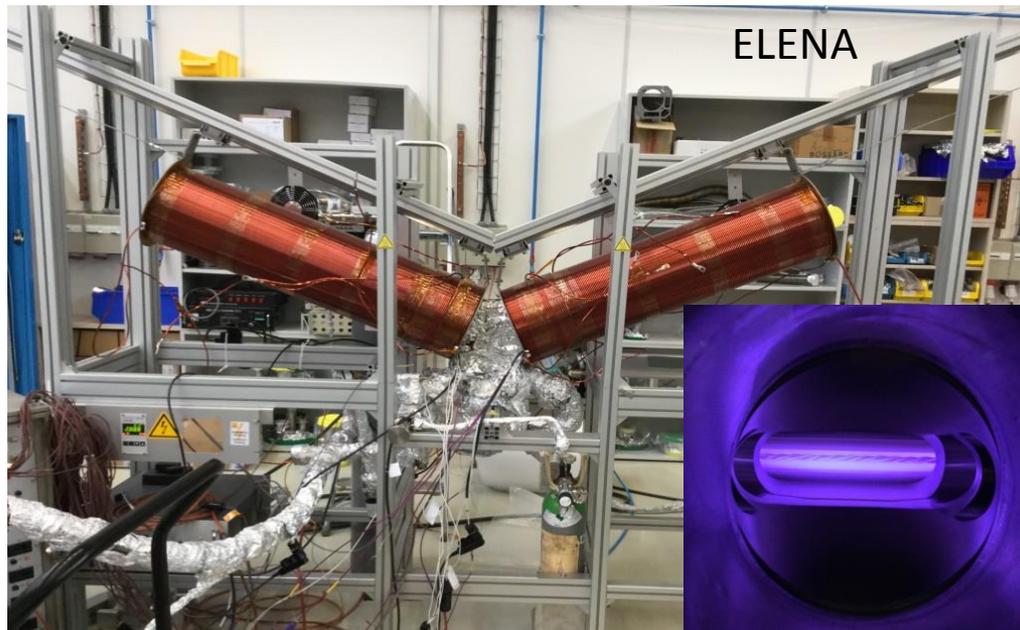


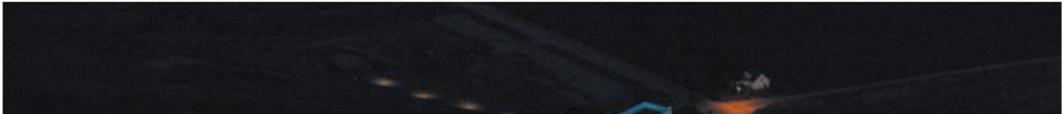
Transition LHCVSR

Surface chemical cleaning



Thin-film coating and
plasma simulation





‘The **crucial innovation** in the fourth-generation machines is to employ a **narrower vacuum pipe** in which to circulate the electrons. In MAX IV’s case, the pipe is 22 millimetres across, about half as wide as in a typical existing synchrotron. This makes it possible to **get stronger magnetic fields using more-compact bending and focusing magnets**, which are also less expensive and can consume ten times less electricity than third-generation systems because of their smaller size.

But keeping such a narrow pipe free of air would not have been possible using conventional high-vacuum pumps alone. **MAX IV borrowed a technology from the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN**, Europe’s particle-physics facility near Geneva, Switzerland, which circulates protons rather than electrons. The LHC’s trick — now adopted by MAX IV — is to coat the inner surface of the pipes with a special alloy that absorbs any gas molecules that happen to bounce around inside the tubes.’

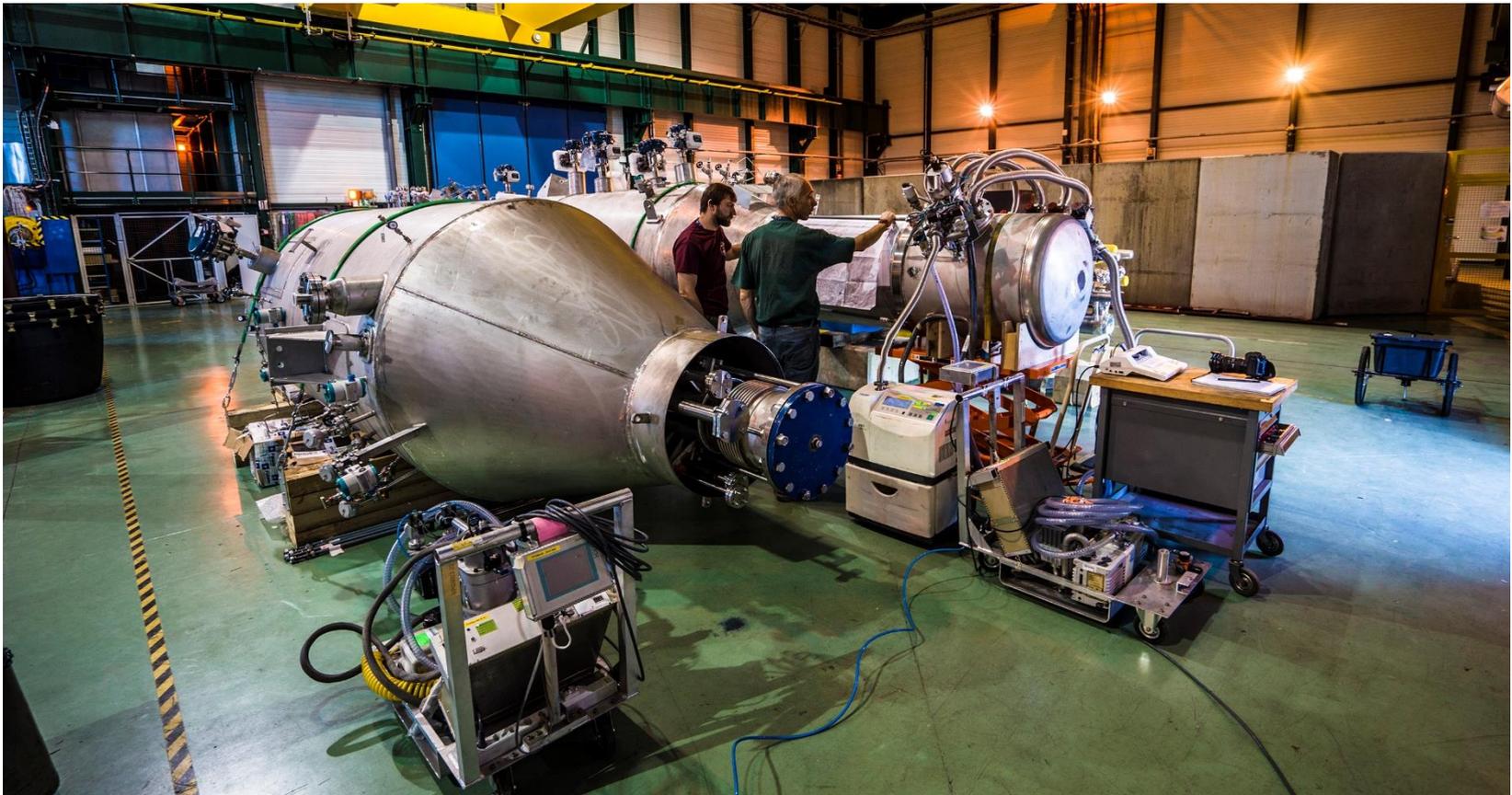
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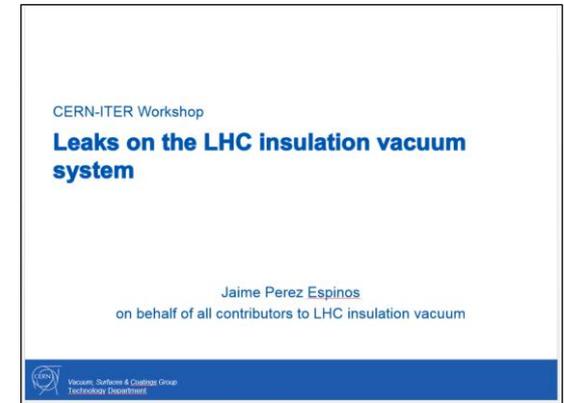
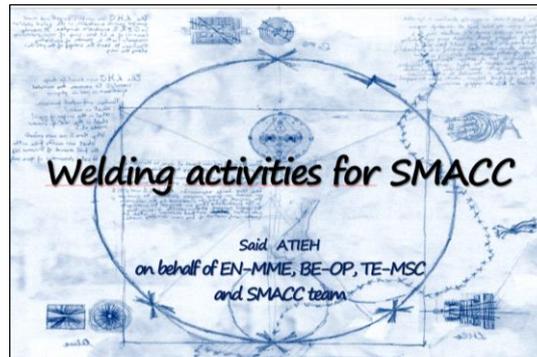
Swedish synchrotron promises super-bright beams and will open up new avenues for researchers.

Leak Testing of ARIA cryostats at CERN

- ARIA: 350 m cryogenic distillation column for argon purification (^{39}Ar removal) for use in dark matter research
- Service Agreement KN3155 established in 2016 between CERN and Princeton University (DarkSide Collaboration) for the room temperature leak testing of 30 ARIA cryostats, prior to their shipment & installation in a mine shaft in Sardinia.



- Workshop at CERN, with strong presence of ITER field engineers and managers in charge of installation.
- Parallel workshops focused on installations & commissioning of vacuum, cryogenic, magnet & electrical systems.
- TE-VSC presentations on acceptance test strategy and execution, special tooling & vacuum instrumentation, welding QA and non-conformity handling, including visits to vacuum laboratories.





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CERN has a wide expertise and experience in vacuum technology.

Through various collaborations, agreements and open exchanges, this knowledge is transmitted outside of CERN.

We are always ready to explore common areas of interest, compatible with our mandate.