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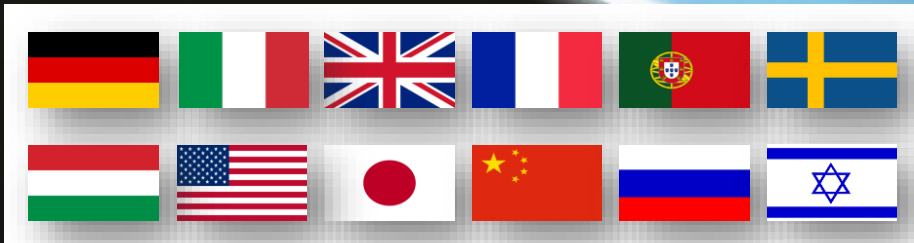
## Status of WP4

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On behalf of WP4



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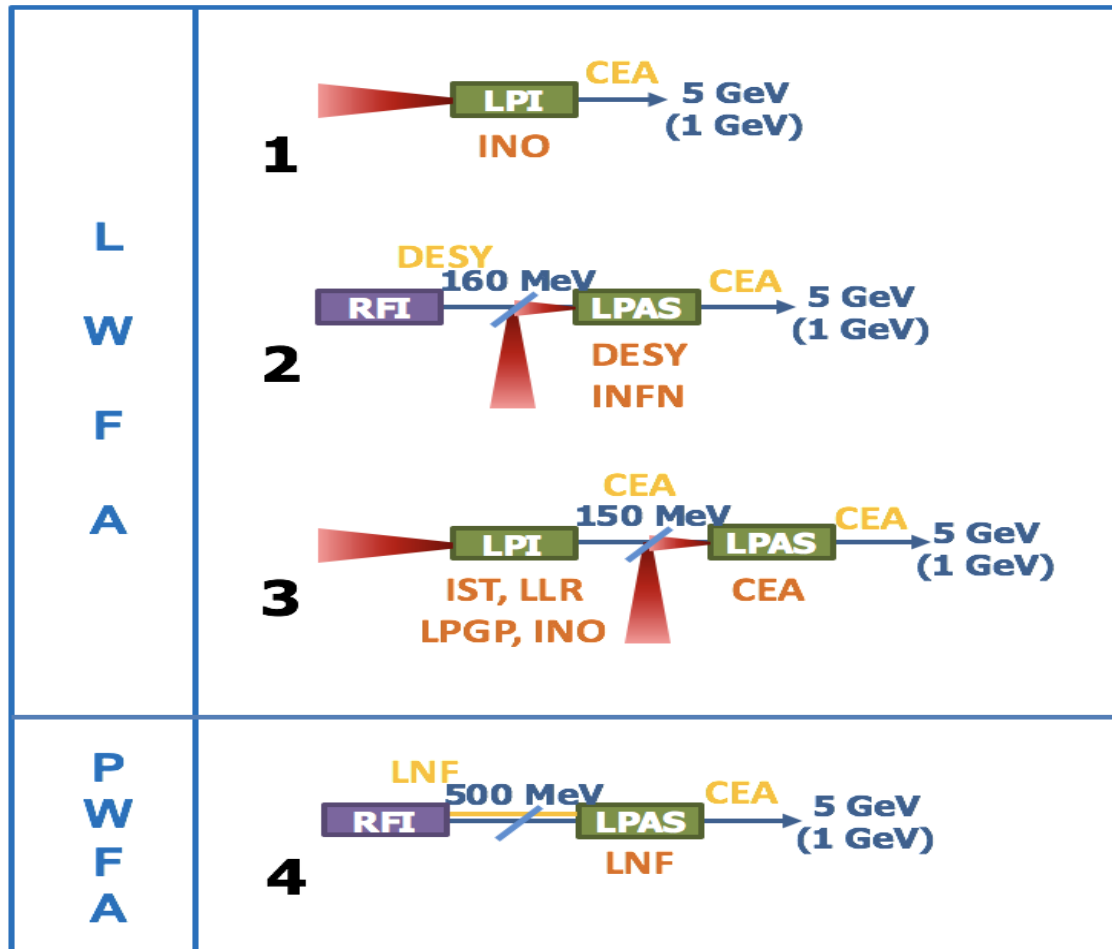
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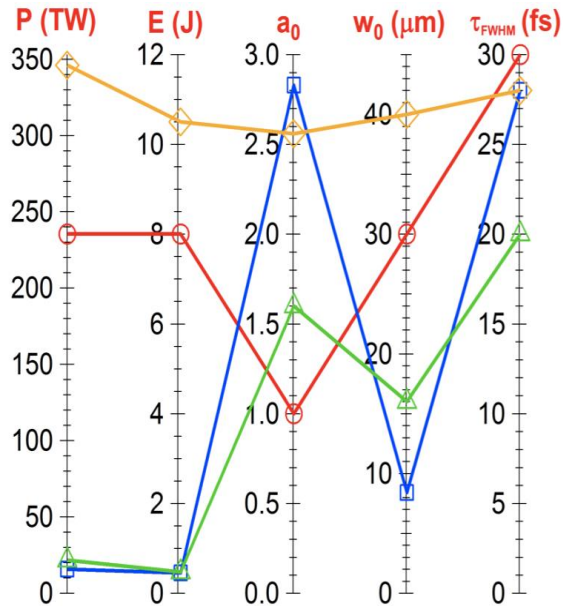
- Main EuPRAXIA laser requirements
- Current design and options
- SAC recommendations
- Conclusions

Acceleration schemes (WP2), selected to provide a beam at **5 GeV** meeting FEL and HEPO requirements and a beam at **1 GeV** 'usable' for FEL and HEPO, as a 'commissioning' step.



## Main laser requirements for acceleration schemes (from WP2)

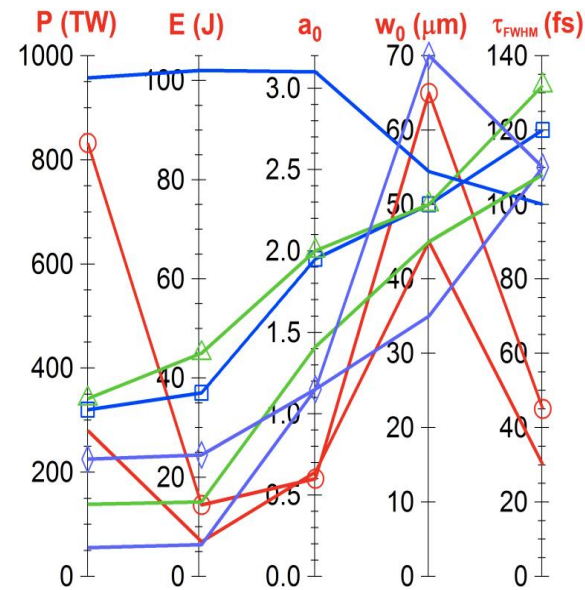
### 150 MeV Injector Laser (LASER1)



- Sch3\_150MeV\_Tomassini
- Sch3\_150MeV\_Silva
- Sch3\_150MeV\_Beck
- Sch3\_150MeV\_Maynard

Bi-Gaussian pulse  
 $\lambda = 800 \text{ nm}$

### 5 GeV accelerator Laser (LASER3)



- Sch1\_5GeV\_Tomassini
- Sch2\_5GeV\_Svystun
- Sch3\_5GeV\_Li
- Sch1\_1GeV\_Tomassini
- Sch2\_1GeV\_Svystun
- Sch2\_1GeV\_Rossi
- Sch3\_1GeV\_Li

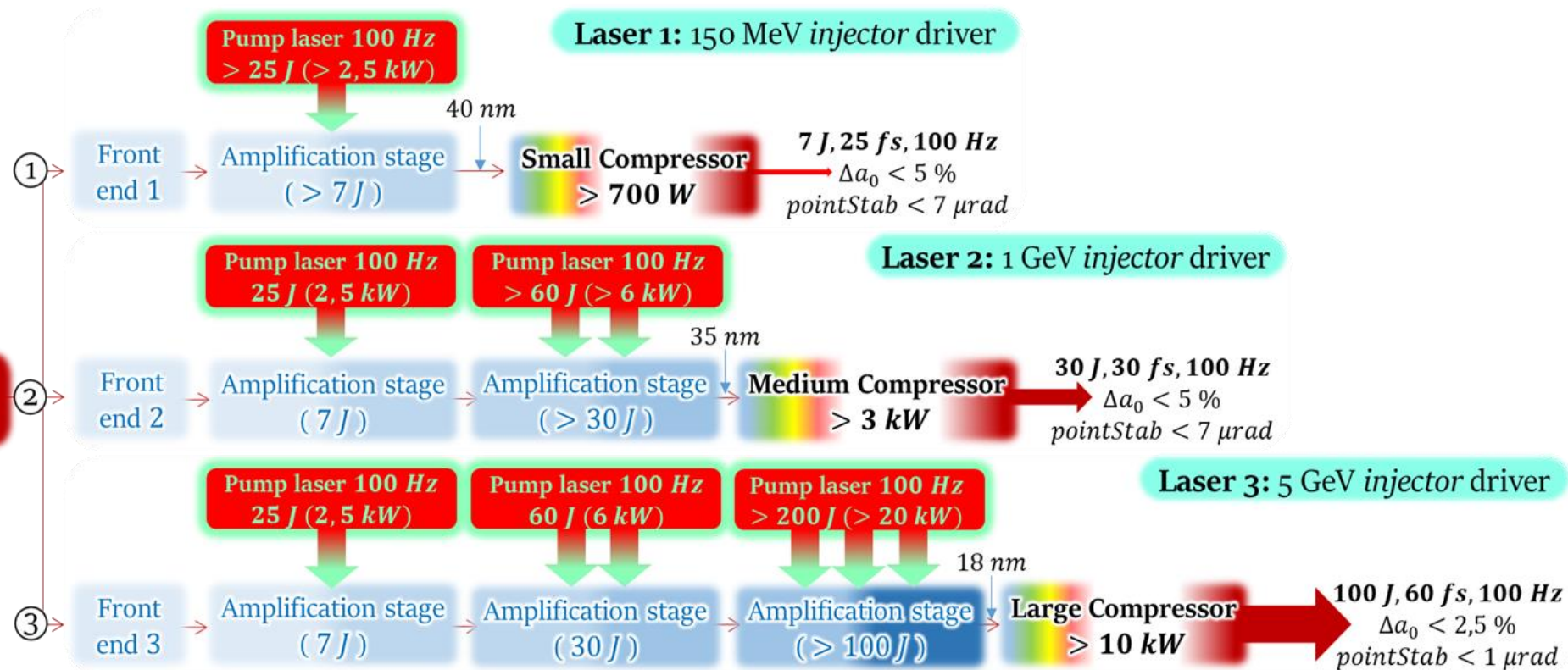
Bi-Gaussian pulse  
 $\lambda = 800 \text{ nm}$

(cosine squared in longitudinal for Sch2\_1 GeV\_Rossi)



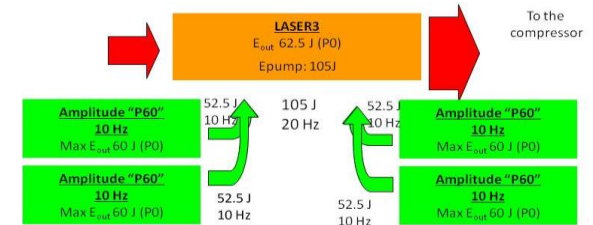
The current EuPRAXIA laser design<sup>1</sup> relies on mature Titanium Sapphire industrial technology to deliver average and peak power as required by the project.

A set of three laser chains are considered, to drive the injectors at 150 MeV and 1 GeV, and the accelerator at 5 GeV.

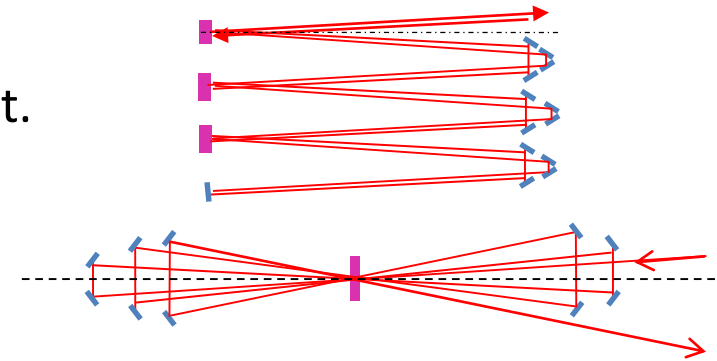


## Main recent activities

Definition of **pump sources arrays** for the various amplification stages, based on available (SCLF DIPOLE / Amplitude P60) and perspective technologies

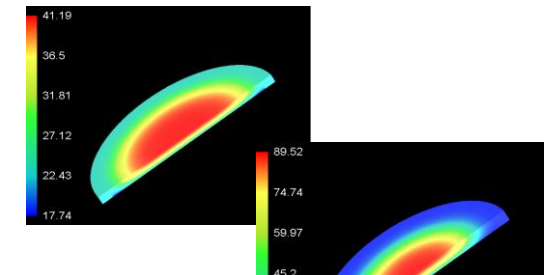


Design of **amplifier stages layout** (both for transmission and reflection amplifiers); evaluation of required footprint. Pump delivery /timing schemes for Extraction During Pumping



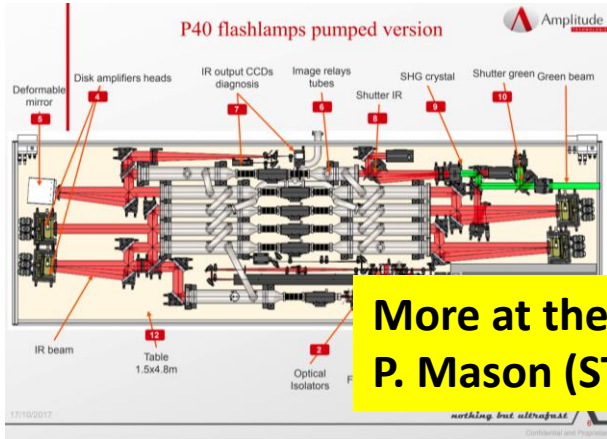
Optimization/simplification of **amplifier design** (reduction of number of stages/passes) and trade-off on thermal design

**More at the WP4 meeting (Thu 3pm-5pm) by G. Toci**

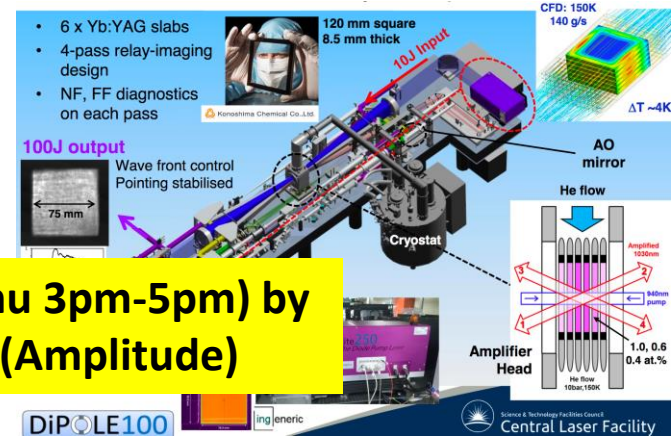


\*) Water cooled Ti:Sa amplifier under development at ELI-HU (After V. Cvykov *et al.* , Opt. Lett, **41**, 3017, 2016)  
 \*\*) Fluid (D<sub>2</sub>O ) cooled Nd:YAG laser, 20 kW CW pump power, D<sub>2</sub>O (After X. Fu *et al.* , Opt. Express, **22**, 18421 (2014)  
 \*\*\*) Fluid (Siloxane ) cooled Nd:YLF laser, 5 kW CW pump power (After Z. Ye *et al.* , Opt. Express, **24**, 1758 (2016)

Promising developments based on diode pumping technology are in progress at EuPRAXIA industrial and research partners, progressively matching requirements



**More at the WP4 meeting (Thu 3pm-5pm) by P. Mason (STFC) and F. Falcoz (Amplitude)**



## Amplitude P60

Flashlamp pumped Nd:YAG

Design: 60 J @ 10 Hz, 532 nm

Conversion to DPSS fully designed

- Expected rep. rate 50 Hz
- Cost of diode still an issue – currently 5x compared to flashlamps.
- Expected to decrease in 5-10 yrs.
- Maintenance free operation for 25-30 yrs.

## DIPOLE<sup>(1)</sup> 100

DPSSL Yb:YAG, cryogenic He cooling  
100 J @ 10 Hz, @515 nm

Planned developments: 10J @ 100 Hz

**Route to 20 Hz pumping for EuPRAXIA  
Scaling of cost of diodes**

<sup>1)</sup>P. Mason et al., "Kilowatt average power 100J-level diode pumped solid state laser," Optica 4, 438-439 (2017)



White paper 100 Hz pump trials to assist EuPRAXIA system design (STFC, LLNL, HZDR, FBH), supported by the Institute of Quantum Optics, Friedrich-Schiller-University, Jena in Germany

## FBH brilliant high duty cycle pump: small-series prototype

Novel chip, carrier



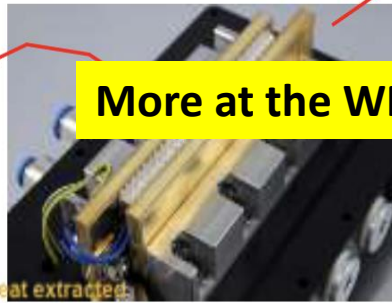
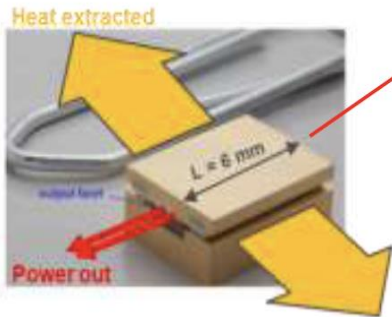
Novel passive Side cooler



Custom beam forming

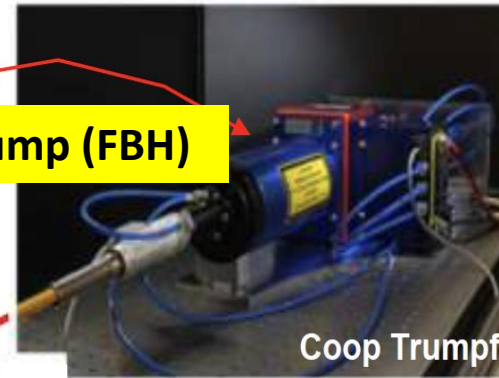
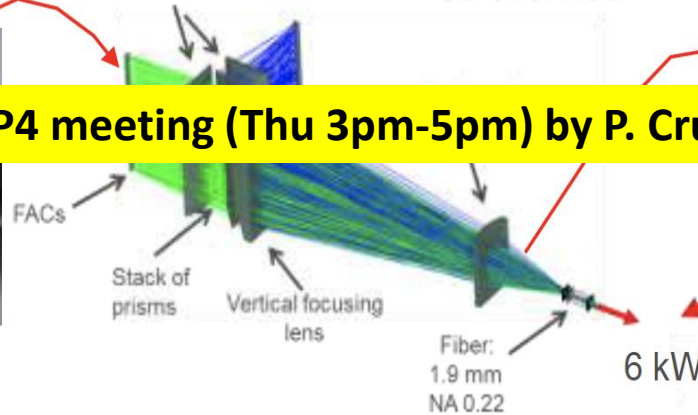


Brilliant, high duty cycle fibered module



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Horizontal collimation lens  
3D overview



130W from 1.2mm  
Peak: ~ 245 W  
60% efficiency  
2x brighter than bars

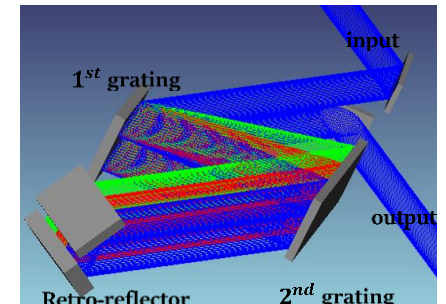
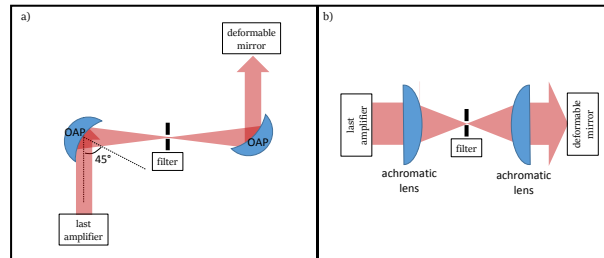
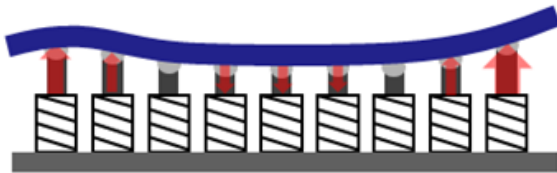
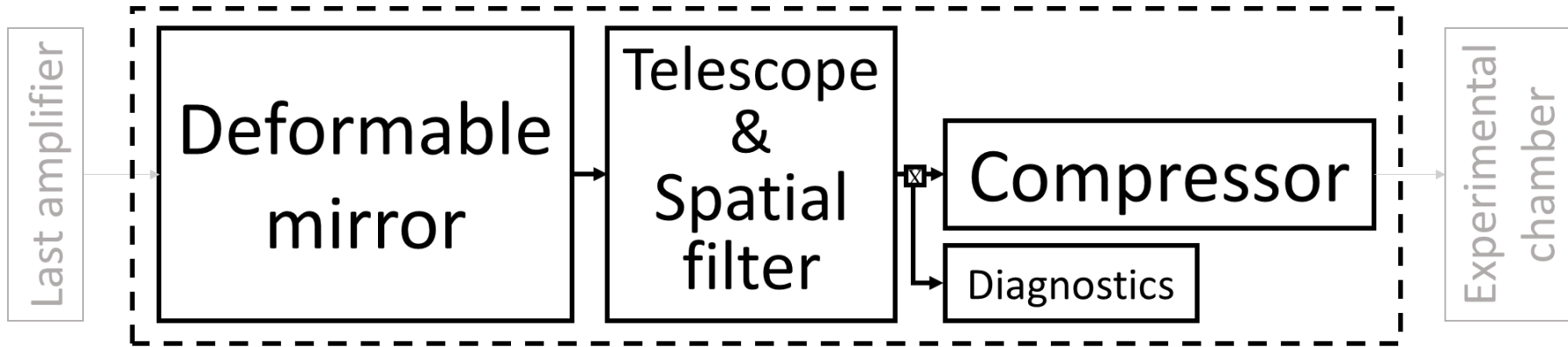
1...20% DC  
1...100ms  
Passive cooling

6 kW 60% efficiency  
 $M^2 \sim 300 \times 300$

1.4 MW/cm<sup>2</sup>-sr  
50% efficiency  
 $M^2 \sim 700$

6 units delivered to Max Born Institut, Berlin; 2 in build

Main challenges: large optics, **mechanical stability**, **cooling of gratings**, beam quality control ...



Different grating technologies under evaluation to address main issues with higher repetition rate. Strategy includes **reduction** of the thermal load at high average power, **cooling** of residual heat and **control** of thermal effects on compression quality.

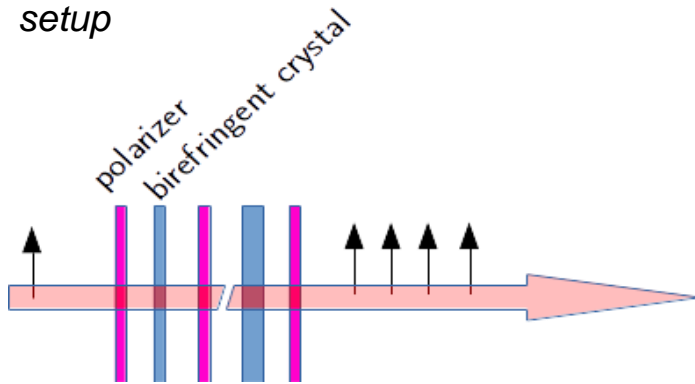
## A (QUASI) LOSSLESS SCHEME

**Motivation.** Shortcomings of current proposed/employed schemes

- Complex setup, to be implemented on the compressed (large) beam
- Intensity homogeneity issues among the different pulses of the same train
- Possibly leading to very high energy losses (up to 50%) ← relevant for the EuPRAXIA laser design

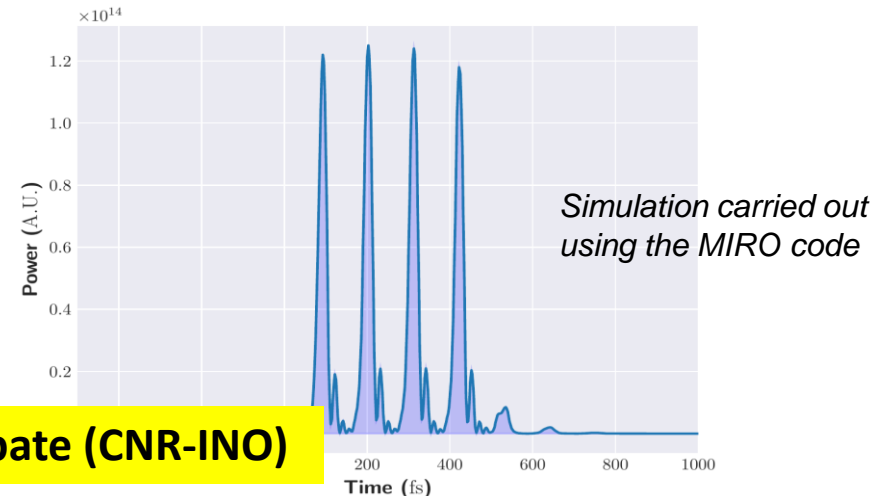
Generation of multiple pulse by a stack of polarizers and birefringent crystals [1]

Shortcomings: remarkable energy loss, cumbersome setup



Quasi lossless Train generation by an early amplitude division (TEMPI) [2]

Splitting occurs very early in the laser chain. Effects due to pulse interference manageable



More at the WP4 meeting (Thu 3pm-5pm) by L. Labate (CNR-INO)

Test experiment carried out at the ILIL laboratory

Energy losses negligible as compared to the overall pump energy

Compact and simple setup

- Prototyping of Ti:Sa amplifiers
- Addressing 100 Hz pump lasers developments
- Thermal management of compressor gratings
- Stability (pointing & more) and active control
- Driver pulse temporal shaping (multi-pulse)
- Synchronization
- Construction
- Integration Issues
- ...

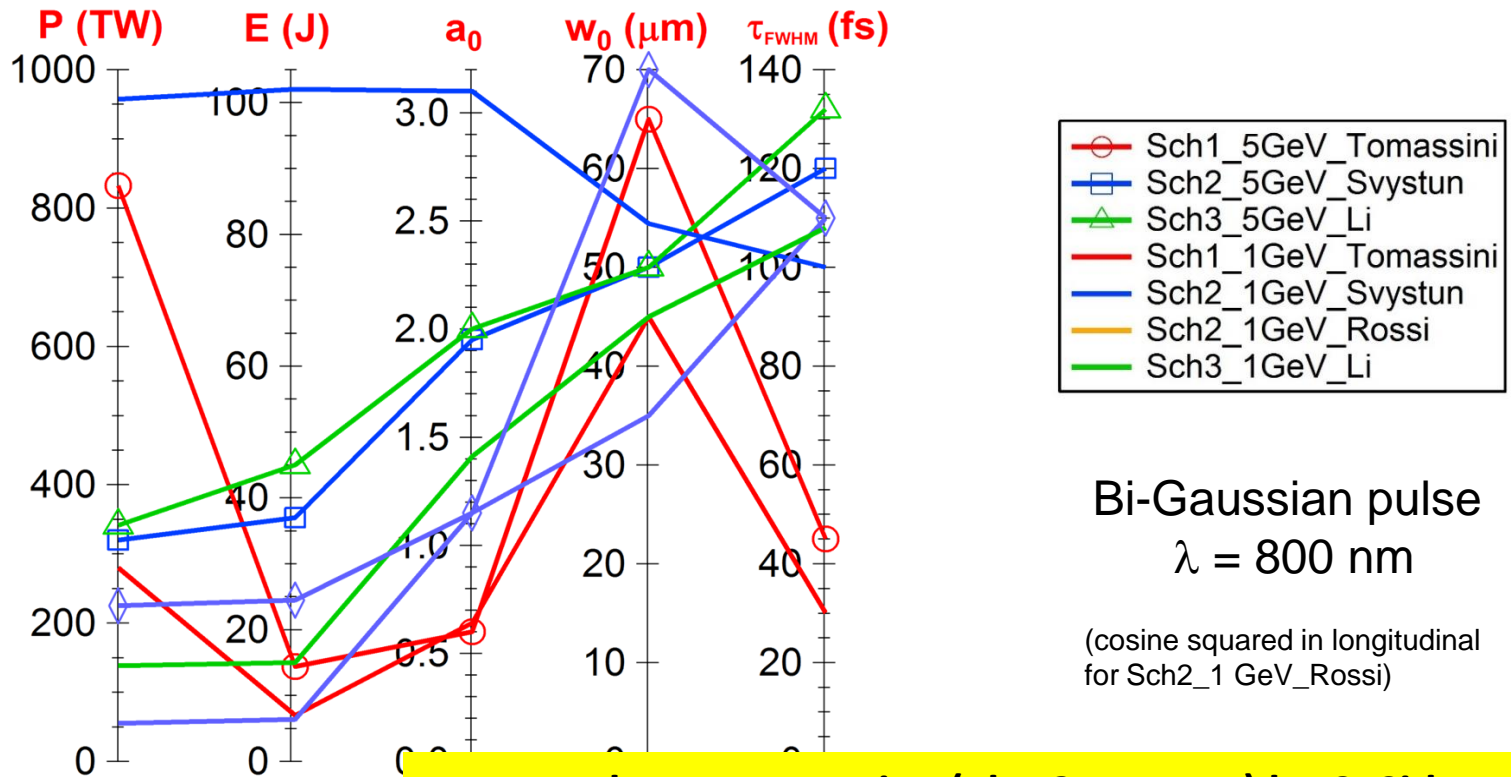
**Seed funding planned by internal collaboration.  
De-risking R&D phase expected prior to TDR.**

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- Rec13.** Explore **feasibility of timing precision and jitter** requirements provided by WP2 and WP3, and how it can be verified at the target. *Work in progress at Desy*
- Rec14.** Develop a better understanding of **pointing requirements** and metrics, specifically how they are coupled to the facility. *Building DB of pointing performance at facilities*
- Rec15.** Develop a strategic **technology roadmap** that supports the overarching performance goals of EuPRAXIA. Get guidance on technology demonstrator vs science facility. Maintain perspective of technologies that can scale. *Work in progress – requires additional funding*
- Rec16.** Given the timescales on how much technology development is required, how long does it take, and when construction of a system could start, identify **risk reduction experiments** that add credibility to the feasibility of certain technologies. *Experiments identified*
- Rec17.** Develop a crisp risk matrix for each technology approach, **identify bottlenecks** and areas where risk reduction experiments are needed. Identify synergetic efforts between technology paths. *Set of bottlenecks identified and being explored*
- Rec18.** Use **technical readiness levels** for the integrated laser system concepts (not individual components) to assess and compare maturity of each solution. *In progress in collaboration with industry*



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## Summary laser requirements from WP2



More interaction on **wavelength scaling of LWFA** to remain informed on impact of other scalable and more efficient, direct dpsl CPA technologies (e.g. Tm:YLF)

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## MAIN ITEMS

- **Pumping technology (\$\$\$):**  
Scaled 100 Hz rep rep. rate, high energy pumping;
- **Gain media (\$\$):**  
Build a test amplifier to test Thermal load, Cooling
- **Grating technology (\$\$)**  
Run high average power illumination tests at existing facilities, to make assessments on LIDT, Thermal load, Cooling. Lifetime ...
- **Pointing stability (\$)**
- Build tools and run tests at existing facilities; define TDR for active stabilization
- .....

**Rec13.** Explore **feasibility** of **timing precision and jitter** requirements provided by WP2 and WP3, and how it can be verified at the target.

*Knowledge and work in progress at Desy, LNF ...*

**Rec15.** Develop a strategic **technology roadmap** that supports the overarching performance goals of EuPRAXIA. Get guidance on technology demonstrator vs science facility. Maintain perspective of technologies that can scale.

*R&D phase for demonstrators (seeking major funding)*

*Scalable technology being observed*

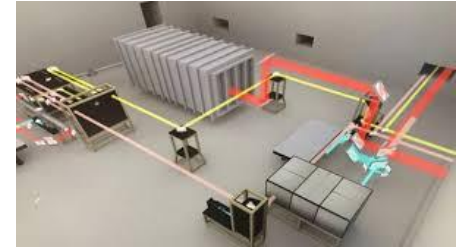
*Collaborative activities involving WP4 partners*

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*Process ongoing in view of the Final Laser Design – in collaboration with Industry*

## D4.1 (M12) Benchmarking of existing technologies and comparison with EuPRAXIA requirements

Explore and identify promising technologies

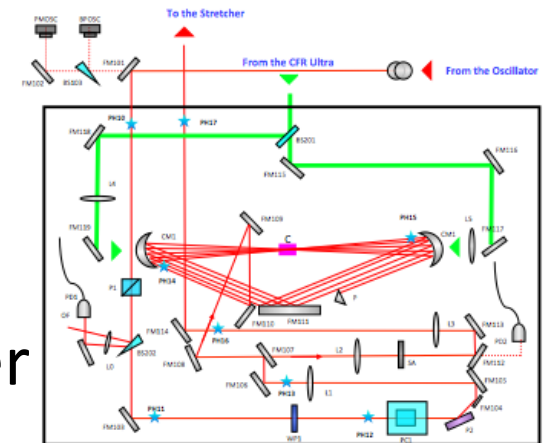


## D4.2 (M24) Preliminary laser design

To be developed with an eye to perspective industrial development

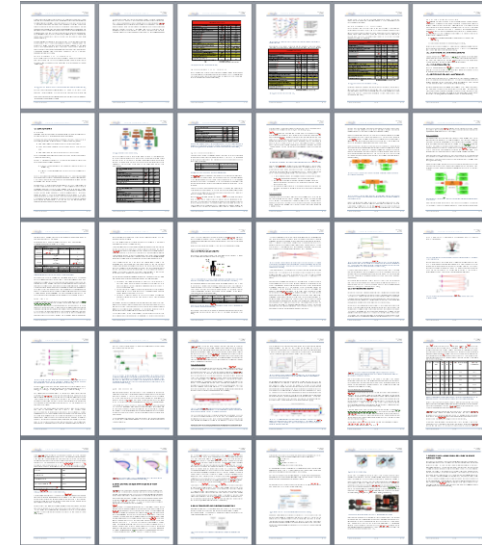
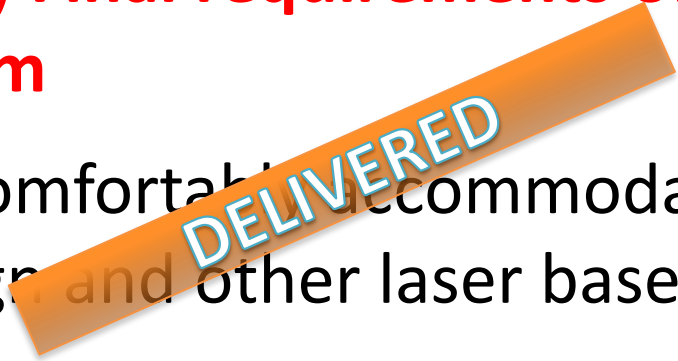
## D4.3 (M24) Preliminary design of transverse functions

To account for final use of EuPRAXIA (user facility)



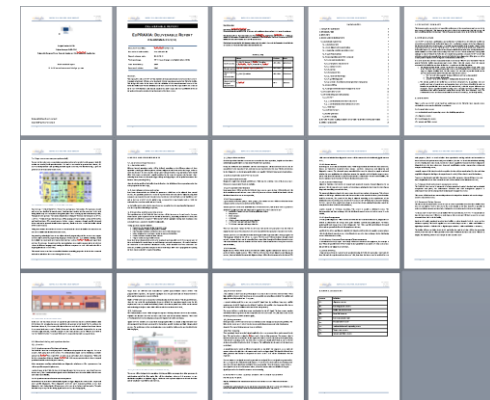
## D4.4 (M36) Final requirements of laser system

To comfortably accommodate LWFA design and other laser based activities



## D4.5 (M36) Control command design system

To enable turn-key-like operation of the laser system





M4.1 (M12) WP4 Personnel in place (completed)

M4.2 (M18) Preliminary Laser Requirements Table and Tech. Survey (completed)

M4.3 (M30) Preliminary Laser Design (completed)

M4.4 (M30) Final Laser and Controls Requirements Table (completed)

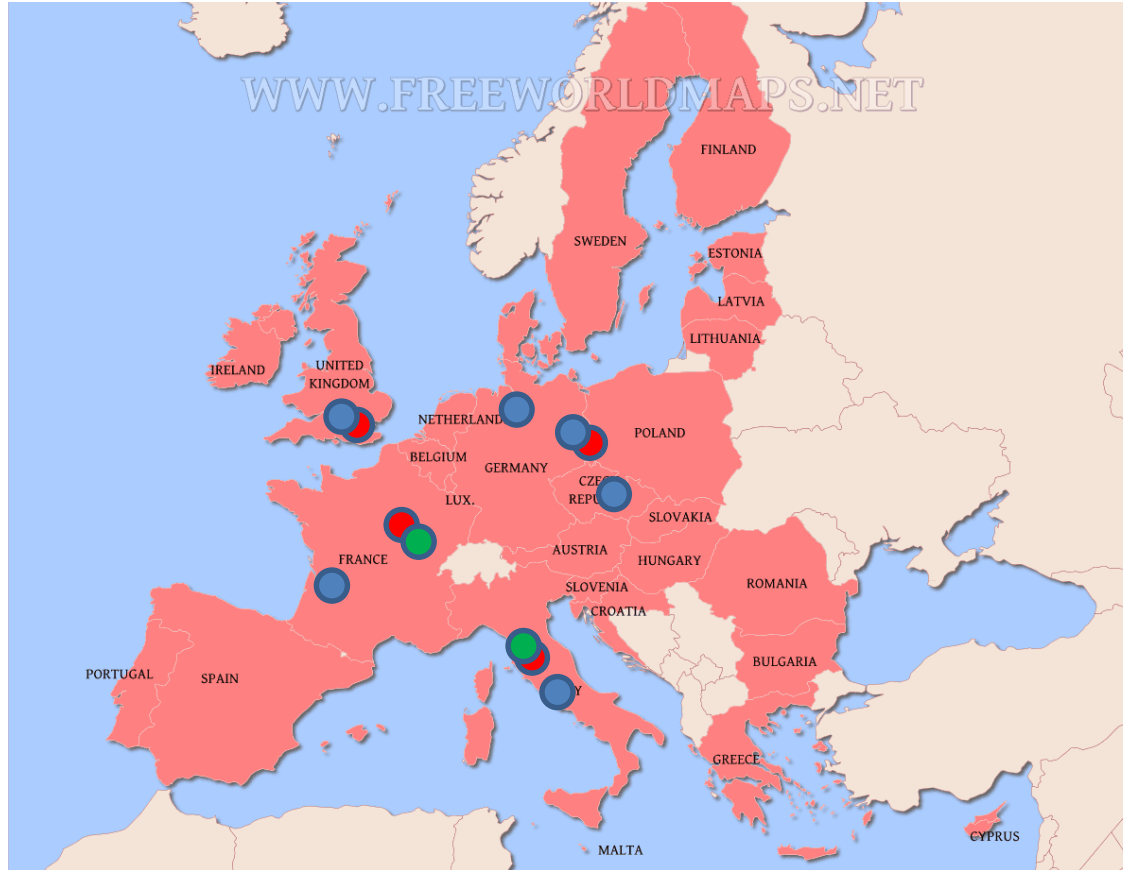
M4.5 (M42) Final Laser Design (in progress; 01.05.2019)

- EuPRAXIA aiming at a PW-kW laser laser driver;
- Current requirements (WP2) compatible with Ti:Sa;
- Major recent progress of DPSSL technology matches 20 Hz operation requirements, with frequency doubled DPSSL based pumping units;
- Design phase ongoing: preliminary design going technical;
- Considering evolution towards 100 Hz repetition rate;
- Significant development activities and funding needed to solve standing technical issues for forthcoming TDR phase.

A wide collaboration is ready to be involved to tackle open issues



and many more



## 16 Participants



## 22 Associated Partners

(as of October 2016)

