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# RILIS status and development plans for LS2



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# Outline

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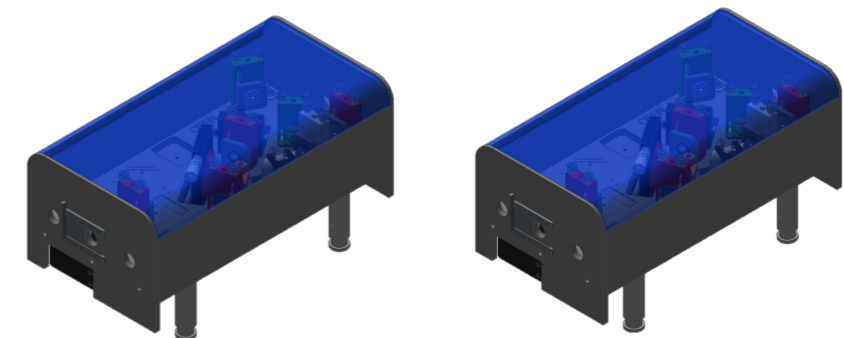
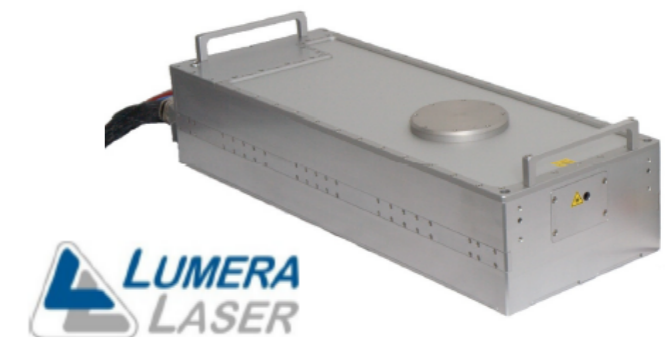
- RILIS Laboratory Infrastructure
  - CV upgrade (postponed)
  - Laser equipment and controls
- MEDICIS RILIS system
- Off-line lab infrastructure
- Off-line laser and ion source R&D
  - Molecular breakup, LIST, ToFLIS, 2-photon ionisation, VADLIS, Raman lasers.

# RILIS hardware consolidation and upgrades

## ONLINE

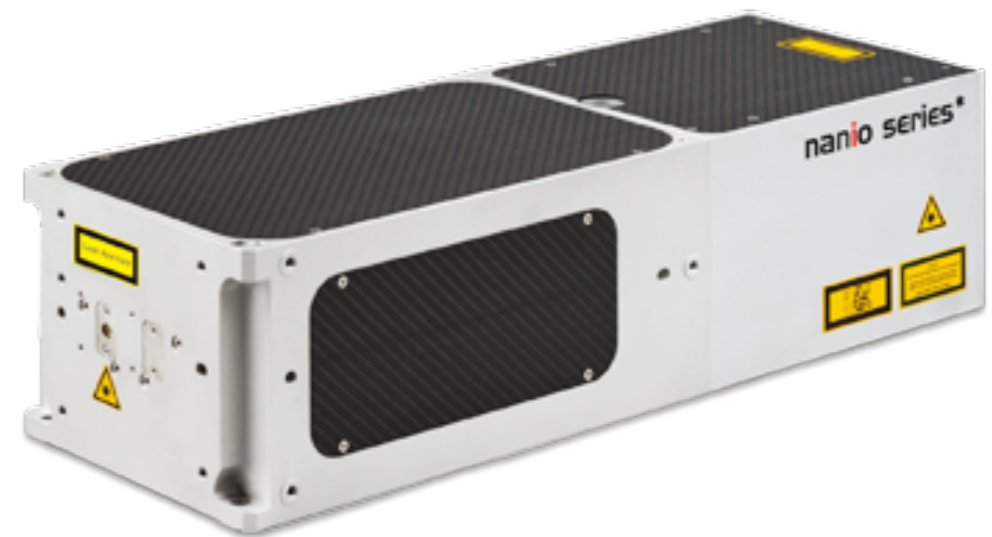
Consolidation budget from EN-Dept:  
280 kCHF being used

- RILIS dye pump laser replacement in 2017
- ~~Spare BLAZE laser in 2017~~
- New TiSa cavities
- Alternative TiSa pump laser
- Pulse amplified CW lasers for PI-LIST
- Test picosecond laser for molecular breakup
- Replace dye lasers
- Test and purchase a replacement Blaze laser



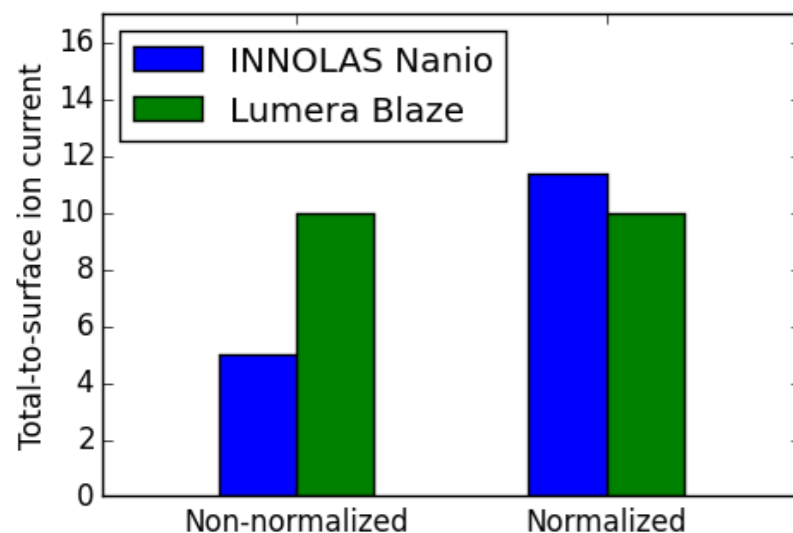
# Multi-purpose pump laser

- New DPSS laser **Innolas Nanio** for Ti:Sa pumping and other applications
  - TEM<sub>00</sub> – mode
  - 18W output @ 10kHz pulse rate, 30ns pulse length
- Simpler cooling mechanism → decreased risk for chiller failures
- Proposed laser for CERN-MEDICIS  
**2 will be delivered this week**

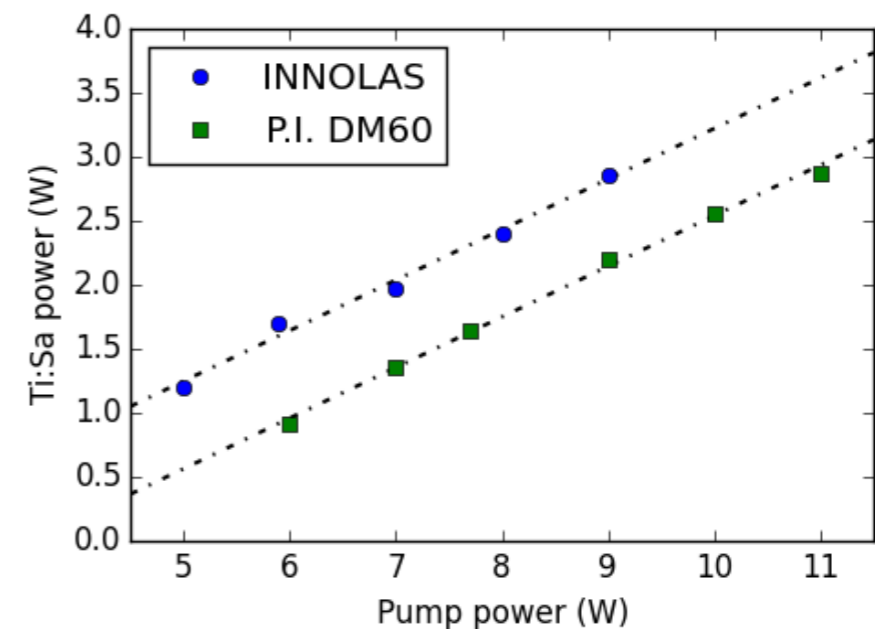


**Ti:Sapphire pumping test:**  
 Increased efficiency:  
 lasing at <5W pump power

## Non-resonant ionization test:



Demonstrated to be effective for non-resonant ionization



# New Dye Lasers

LiopStar-HQ - high repetition rate



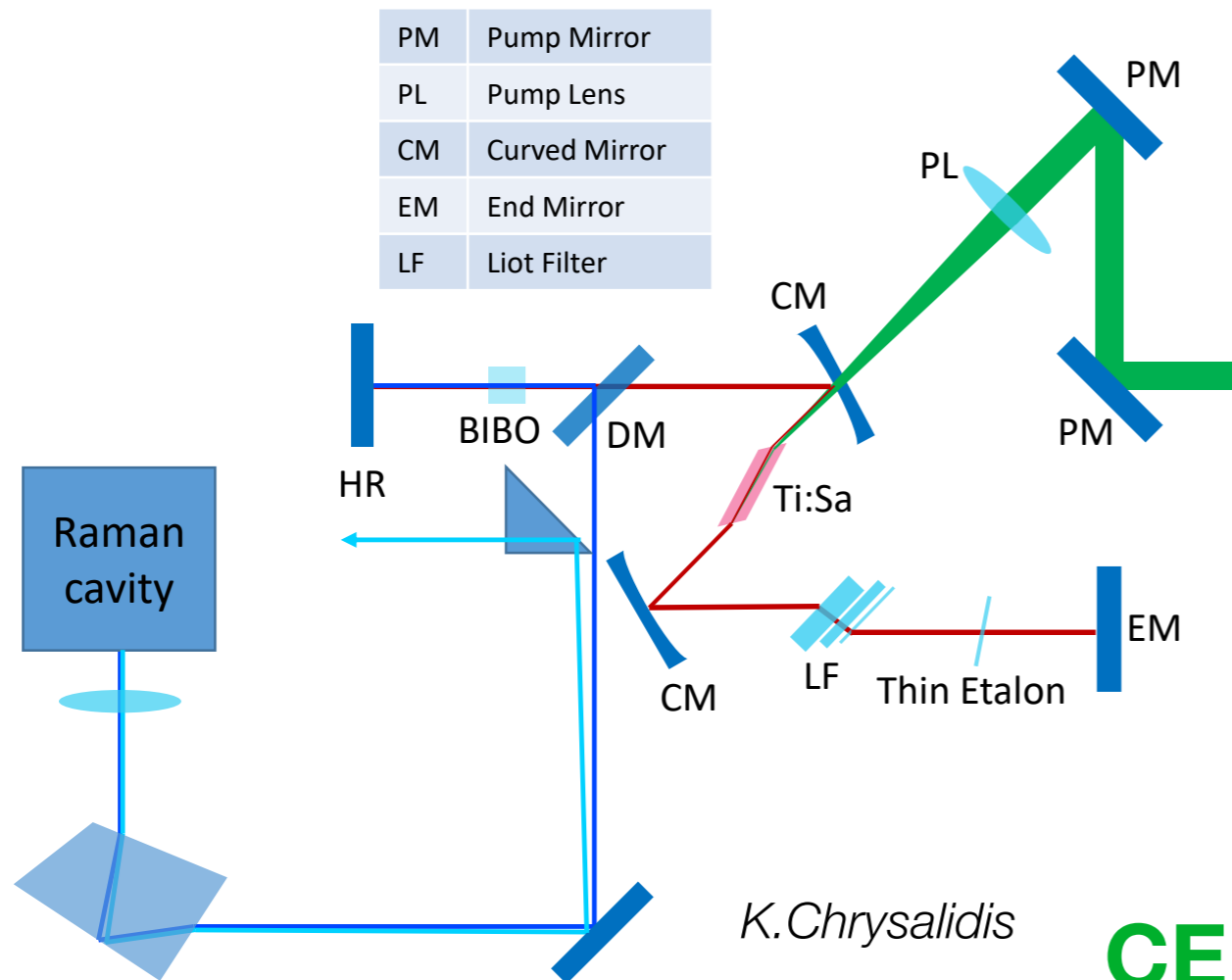
**Investigate the addition of 2 LIOPTEC dye lasers at RILIS**

Compact and more ergonomic alternative to Sirah Credo laser

Quieter operation and easier to manipulate dye circulators

Move one Sirah laser to Offline 2 ?

# Solid-State Raman lasers for RILIS



**Use blue TiSa to pump a diamond Raman laser**

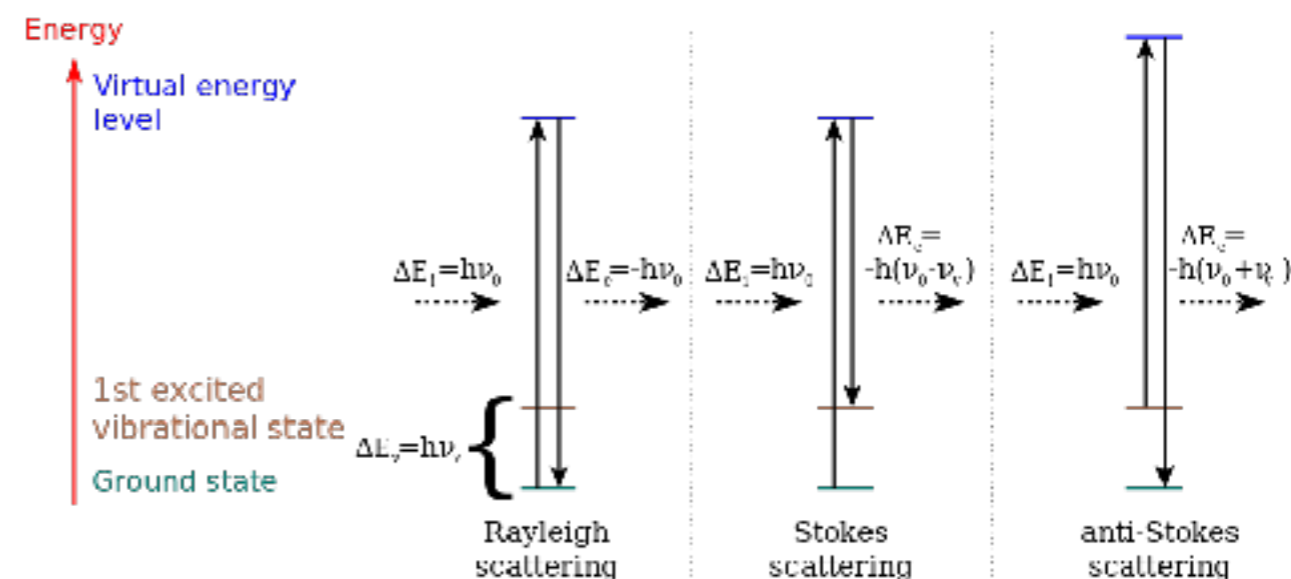
Bridge the Ti:Sa/dye spectral gap

Promising tests already conducted

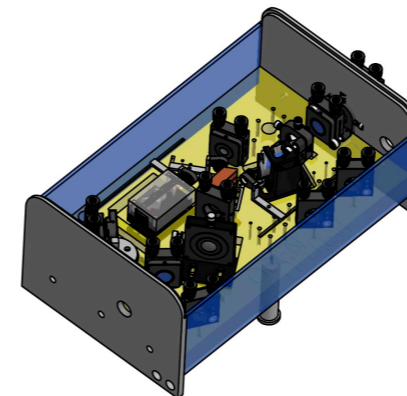
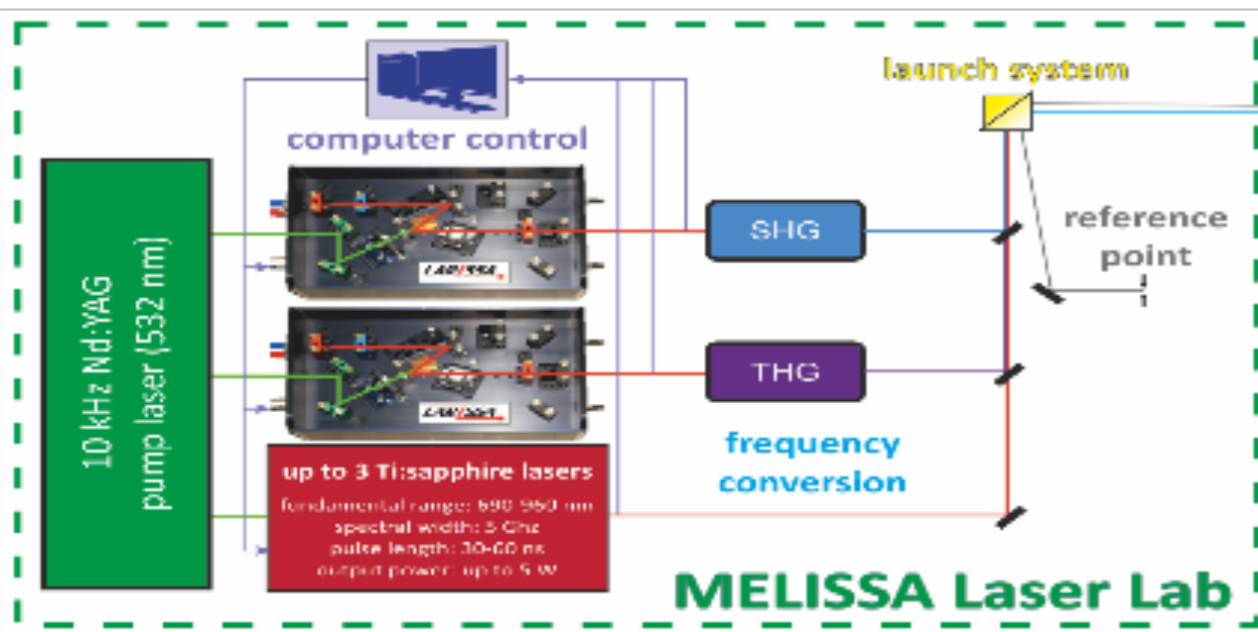
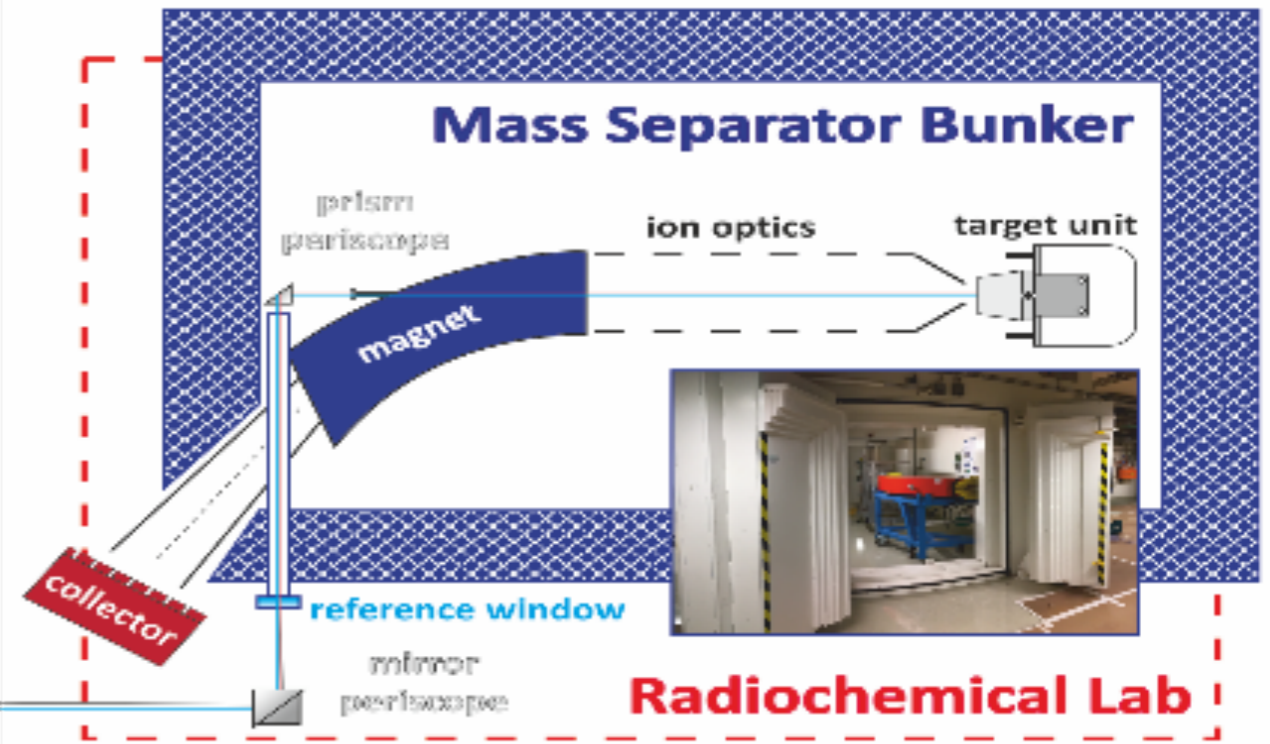
To be presented in CLEO19

Under discussion with KT

**CERN DOCT student during LS2**

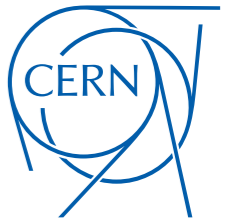


# MEDICIS laser lab (MELISSA)



V. Gadelshin, K. Dockx for MEDICIS-PROMED

First MELISSA beams in winter 2018/2019



# Simultaneous HRS and GPS RILIS

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- Upgraded laser beam observation system and stabilisation system
- Re-arrange optical layout with compact telescope systems and additional optics/optomechanics

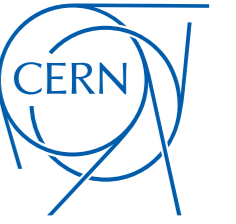
Reduced setup time,  
faster switching  
between elements  
and mass separators

## Consolidate RILIS controls and monitoring systems

- 50% of EN/SMM PJAS working on this task jointly with development of control system for the off-line mass separator.

Improve long-term  
maintenance and  
expandability of RILIS DAQ  
and controls, and make  
use of CERN specialist  
support





# Offline 2

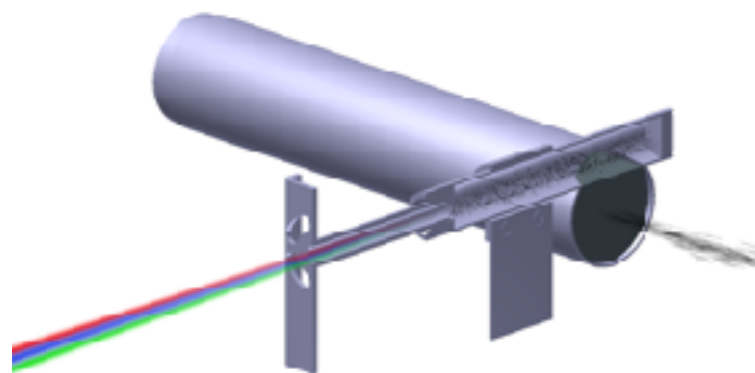
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## **OFFLINE** (+ MEDICIS)

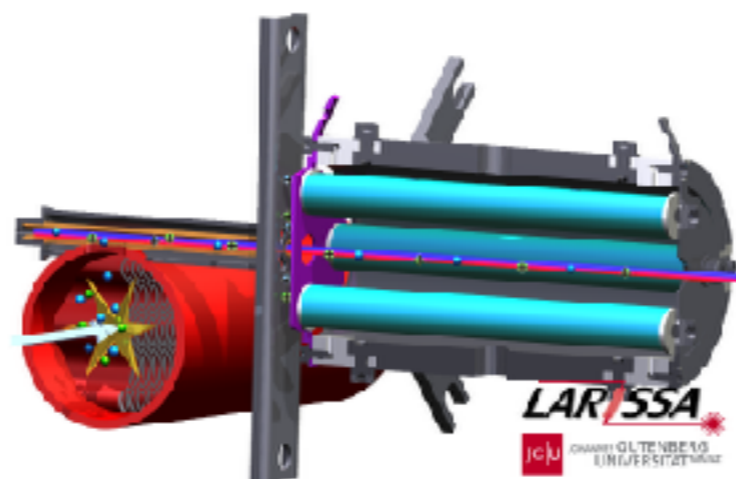
- ~300 kCHF required (*not allocated*) to properly equip RILIS @ offline-2
- Offline-2 can also be also considered a RILIS@MEDICIS test bench, and we should try to have similar hardware at all installations (redundancy)
- All RILIS development will move to offline 2 (remove laser system from offline 1)
- Offline 2 will be running with spare RILIS hardware in early 2019

# RILIS cavity development directions

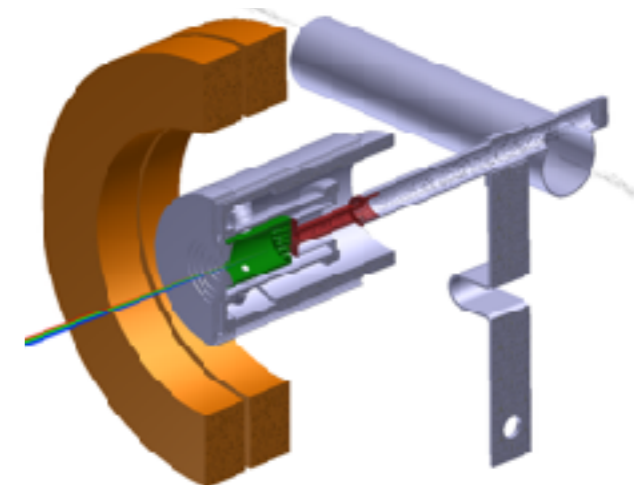
**HC-RILIS**



**HC-LIST**



**VADLIS**



High resistance cavity  
Pulsed line heating

'DC-offset' Short LIST  
Inverted-LINE

LWF-VADLIS

**HIGH SELECTIVITY**

2-photon  
HC-RILIS

PI-LIST

**HIGH RESOLUTION**

New materials

ToF-LIS

Adjustable  
EXTRACTOR  
VOLTAGE

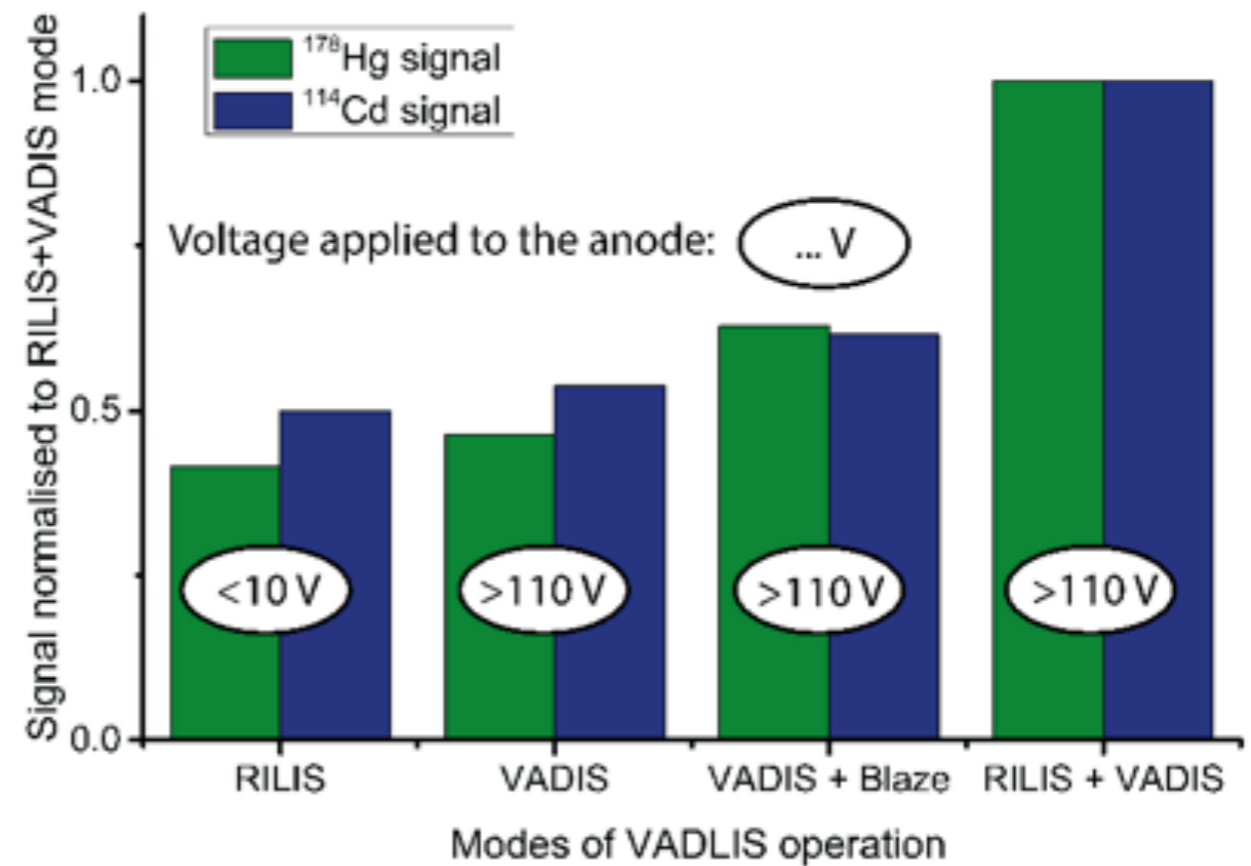
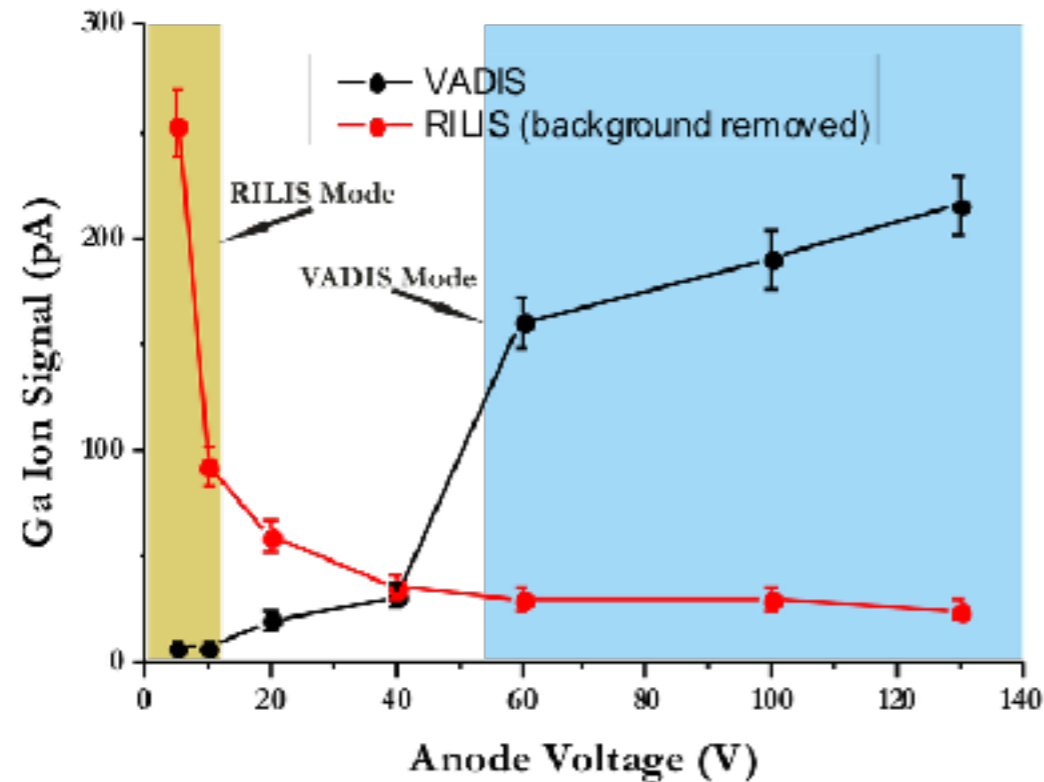
**HIGH EFFICIENCY**

+

RILIS for M(CO)<sub>x</sub> breakup +

Ion load issues for next-gen facilities

# VADLIS — explanation



**Selectivity**

**Increased efficiency**

**Beam diagnostics (laser ON/OFF)**

**RILIS coupled with liquid targets**

So far demonstrated for:

**Ga, Cd, Hg (2016, 2017, 2018), Ba, Ba+, Sn, Mg (for 2016 ISOLTRAP run)**

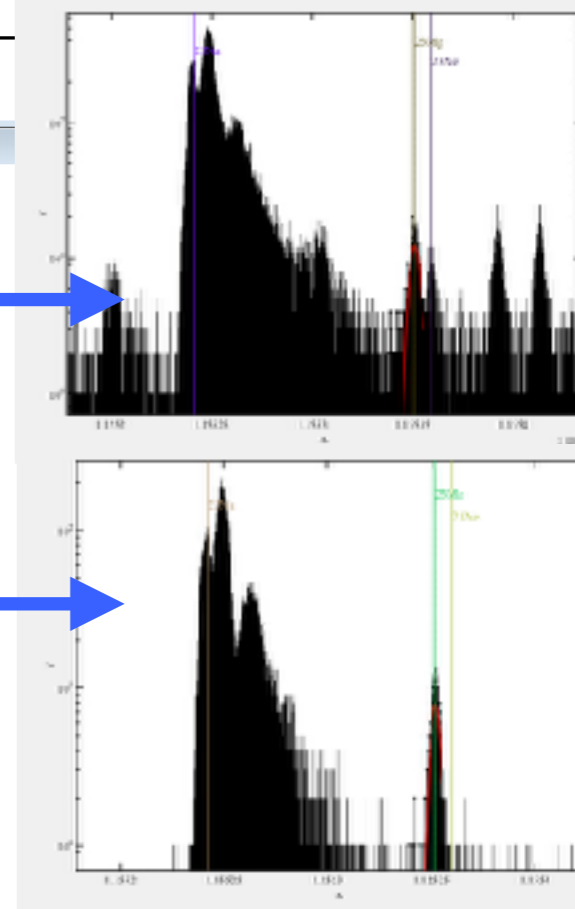
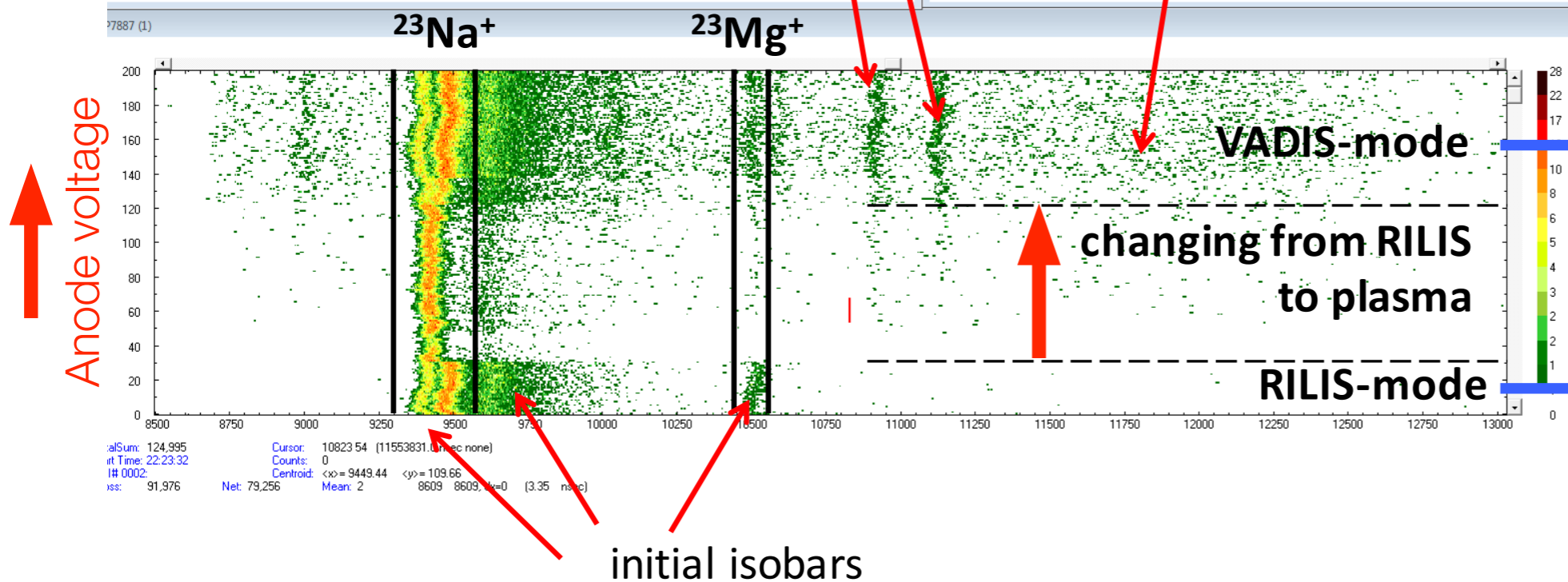
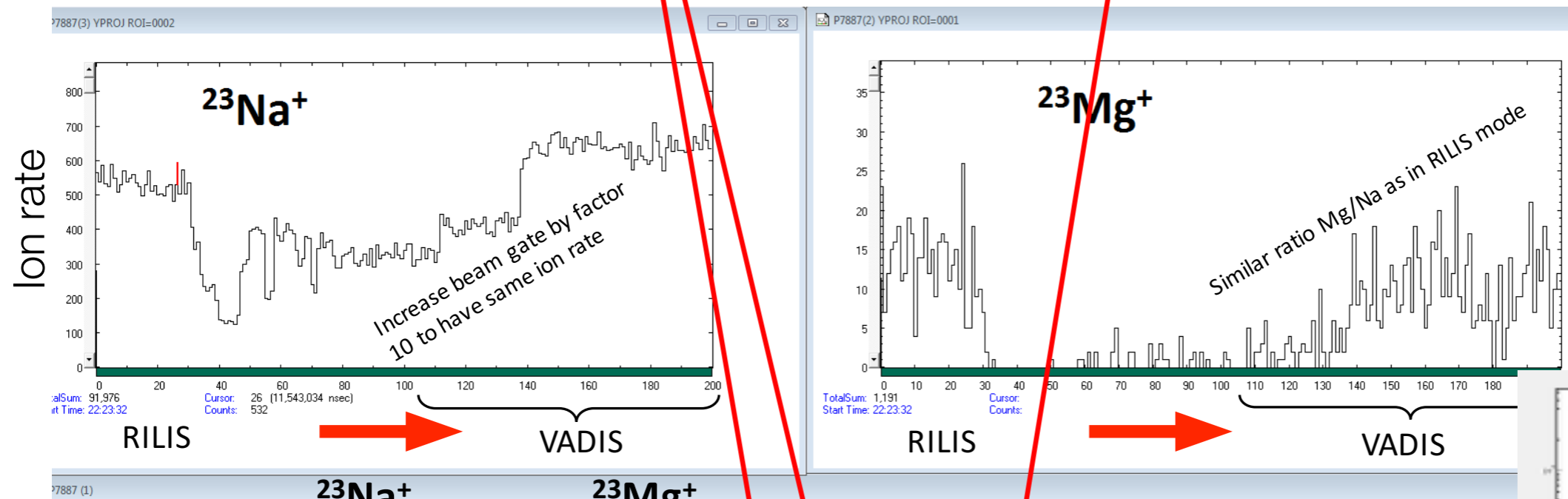
**Still not optimised for RILIS**

# Demonstrating VADLIS modes for Mg beams

Plots provided by V. Manea

new contaminants

more significant background



# VADLIS development



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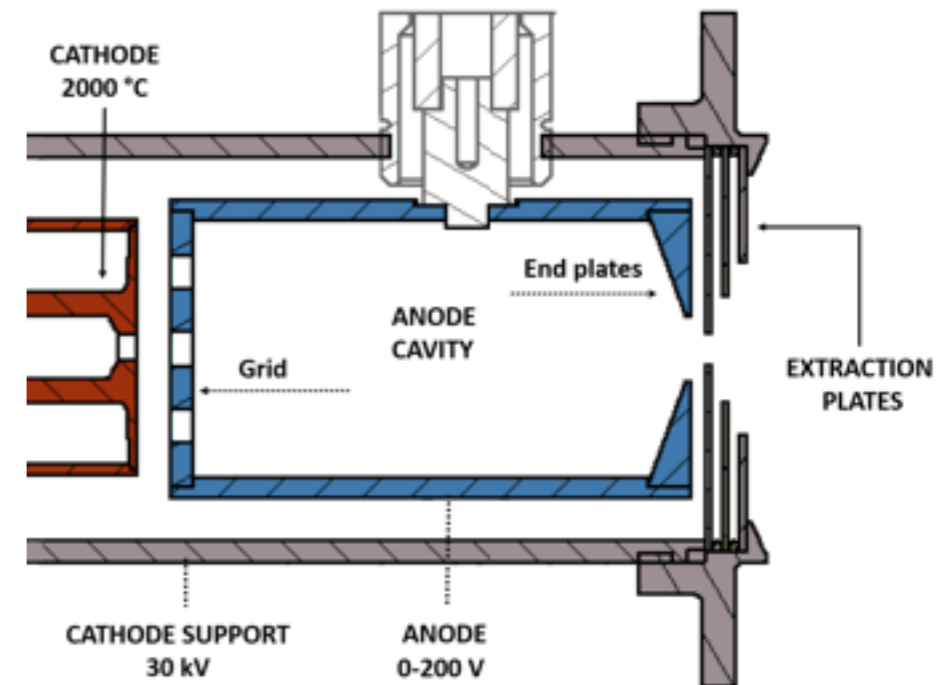
## Blurring the boundaries between ion sources: The application of the RILIS inside a FEBIAD type ion source at ISOLDE

T. Day Goodacre<sup>a, b, c, d, e</sup>, J. Billowes<sup>b</sup>, R. Catherall<sup>a</sup>, T.E. Cocolics<sup>b</sup>, B. Crepieux<sup>a</sup>, D.V. Fedorov<sup>c</sup>, V.N. Fedosseev<sup>a</sup>, L.P. Gaffney<sup>a, f</sup>, T. Giles<sup>a</sup>, A. Gottberg<sup>a</sup>, K.M. Lynch<sup>a</sup>, B.A. Marsh<sup>a</sup>, T.M. Mendonça<sup>a</sup>, J.P. Ramos<sup>a, d</sup>, R.E. Rossel<sup>a, f, g</sup>, S. Rothe<sup>a</sup>, S. Sels<sup>o</sup>, C. Sotty<sup>o</sup> ... M. Valnhard<sup>a</sup>

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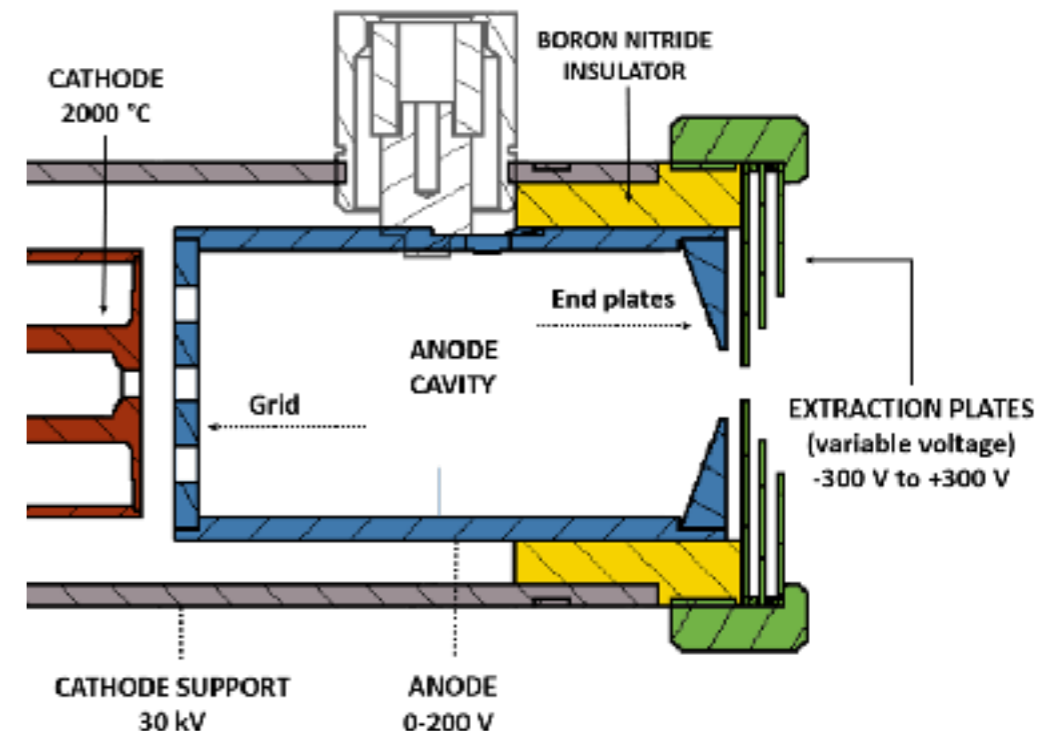
## Enhancing the extraction of laser-ionized beams from an arc discharge ion source volume

Y. Martinez Palenzuela<sup>a, c, d, e</sup>, B.A. Marsh<sup>a</sup>, J. Ballot<sup>a, b</sup>, R. Catherall<sup>a</sup>, K. Chrysalidis<sup>a, d</sup>, T.E. Cocolics<sup>c</sup>, B. Crepieux<sup>a</sup>, T. Day Goodacre<sup>a, e, f</sup>, V.N. Fedosseev<sup>a</sup>, M.H. Huyse<sup>c</sup>, P.B. Larmonier<sup>a, g</sup>, J.P. Ramos<sup>a</sup>, S. Rothe<sup>a</sup>, J.D.A. Smith<sup>h</sup>, T. Stora<sup>a</sup>, P. Van Duppen<sup>c</sup>, S. Wilkins<sup>a</sup>

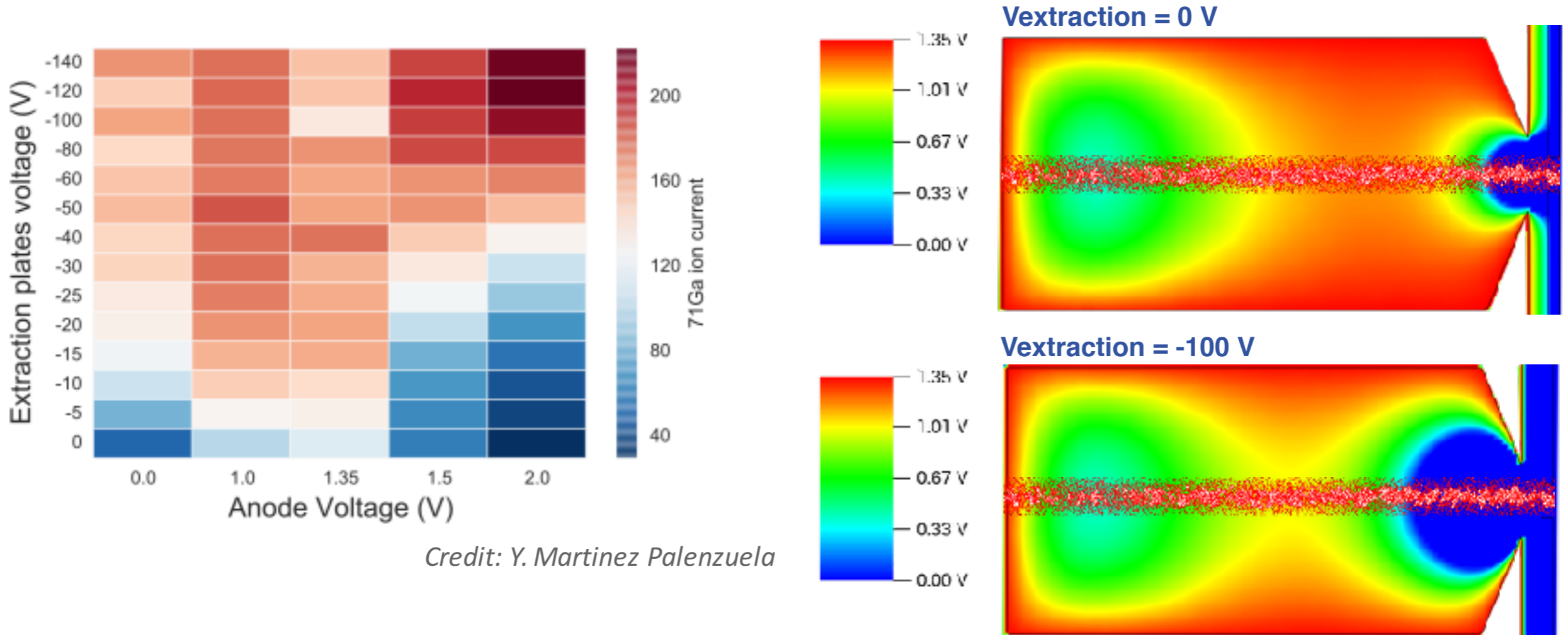
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# VADLIS modes of operation

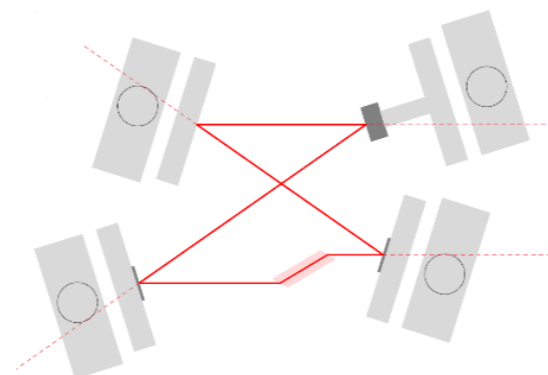
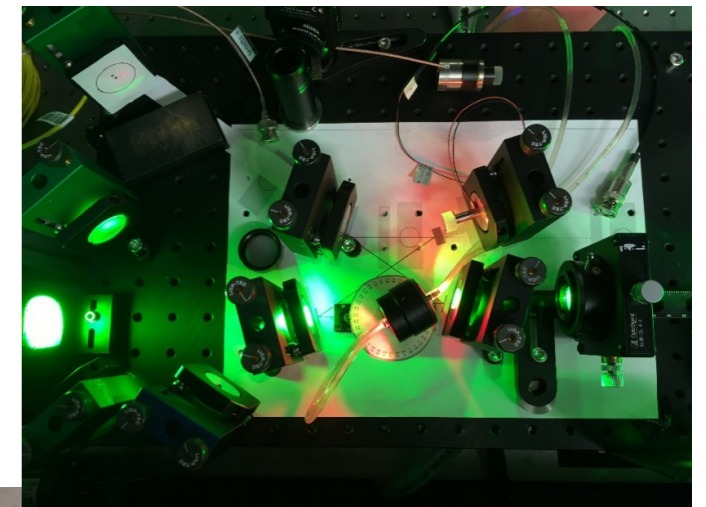
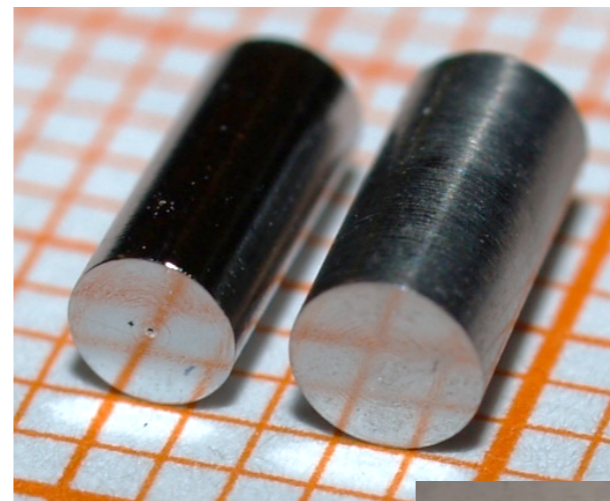
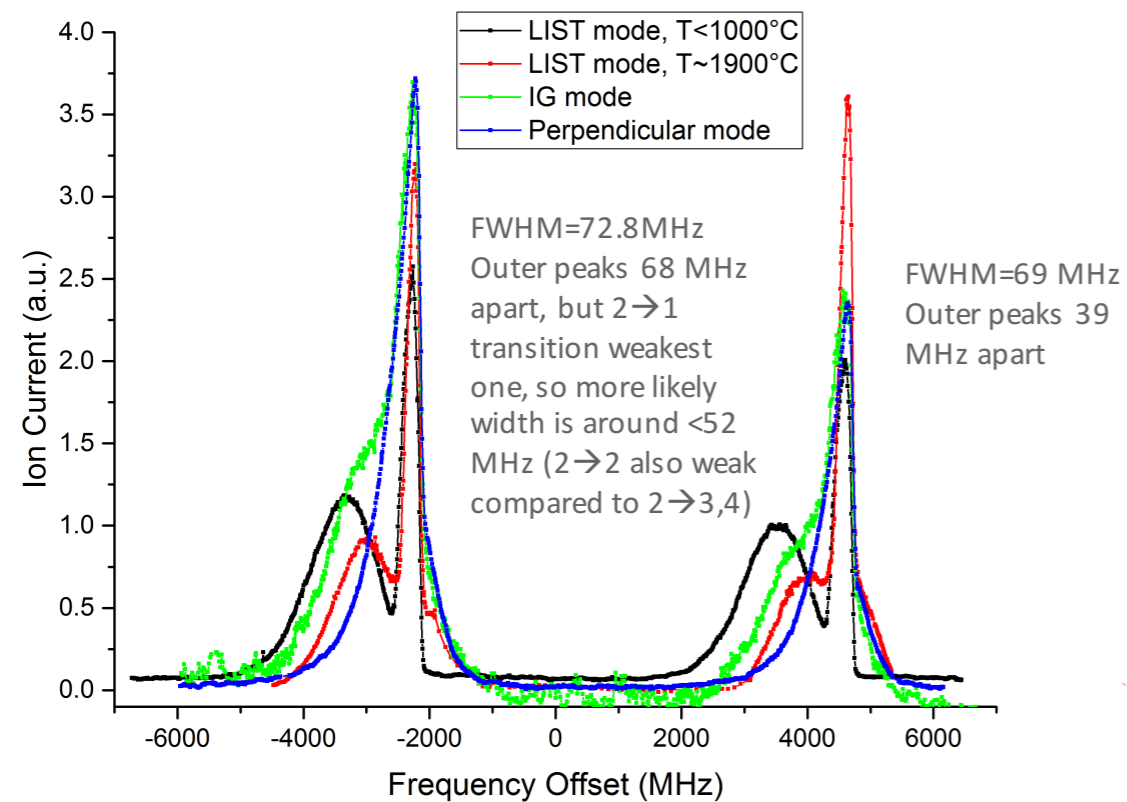
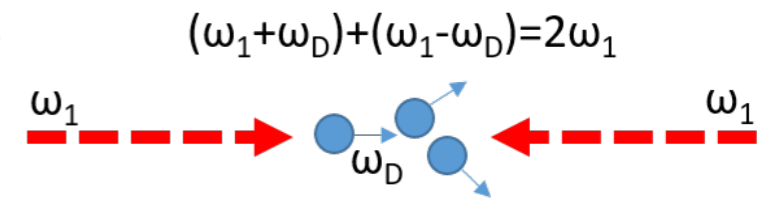


- New design with variable extraction voltage improves laser ion extraction
- Demonstrated off-line with Ga
- Demonstrated on-line with Mg: **factor 3 extraction efficiency improvement** when voltage was adjusted!

*Possible reliability advantage also, even for normal VADIS operation*

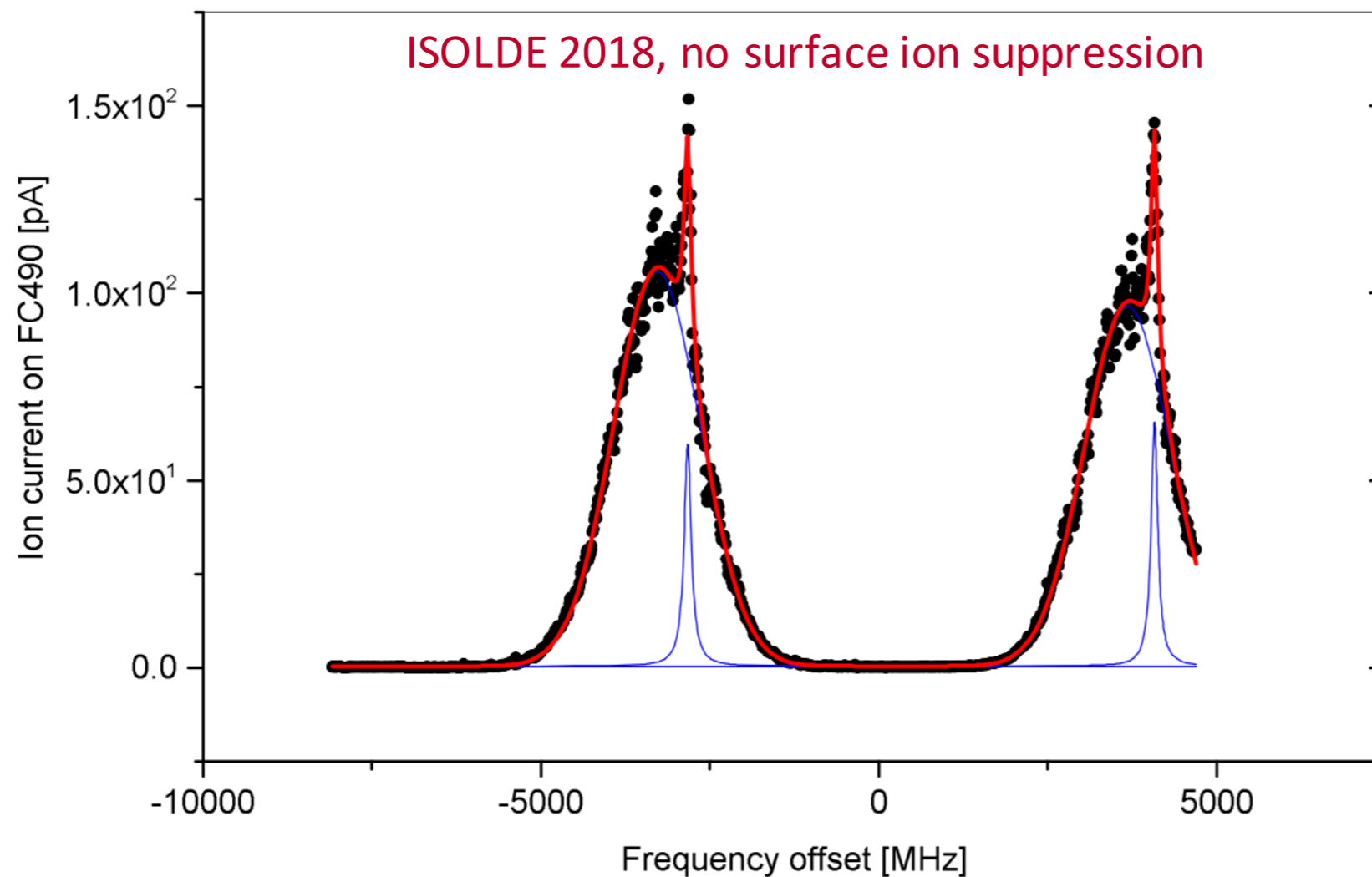
# Development of 2-photon ionisation at RILIS

- Efforts towards high resolution spectroscopy
- Aim: Doppler-free two-photon excitation in-source
- Demonstrated successfully at RISIKO Mainz off-line separator for Rb



# First demonstration at ISOLDE

- First measurements at ISOLDE with Mo foil
- Clearly visible two-photon peaks – less dominant than in Mainz
- Continue efforts towards more suited mirror solution



FWHM:

126.7 MHz for ,left' peak

116.5 MHz for ,right' peak

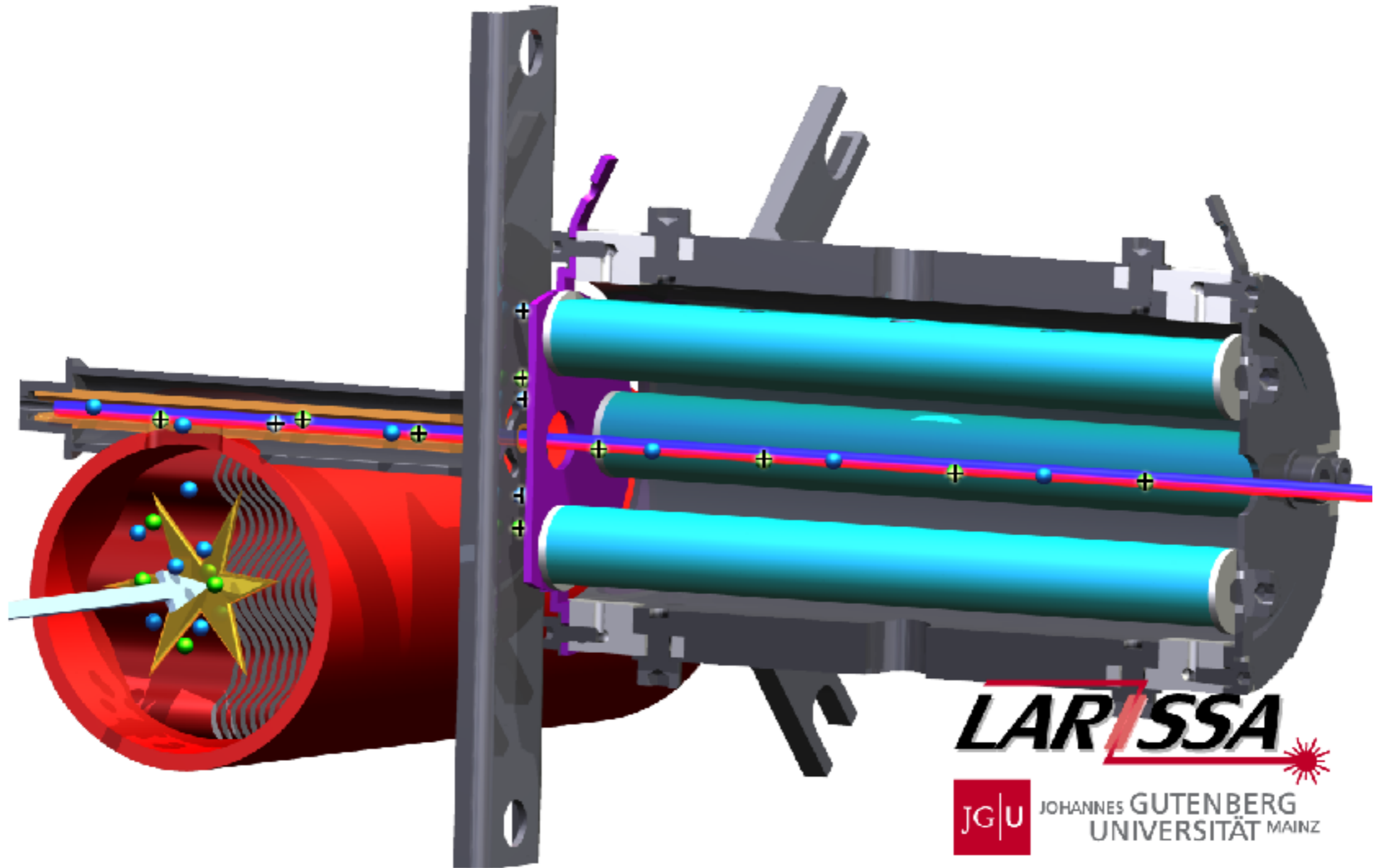
→ Broadening

mechanism needs to be investigated with better reflectivity of mirror

Katerina Chrysalidis  
(EMIS talk)

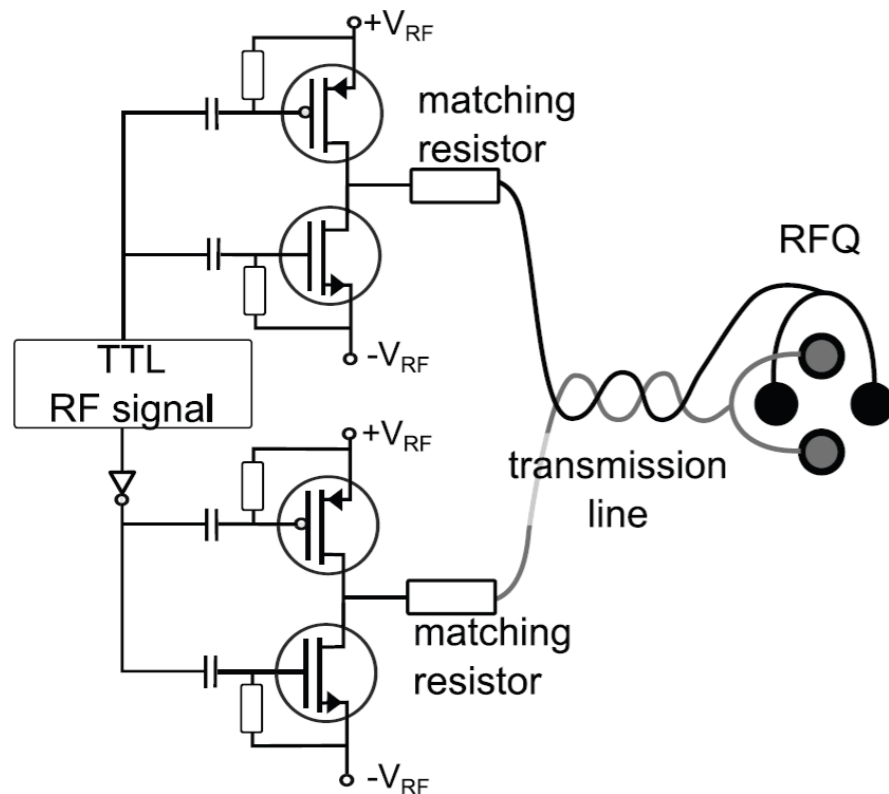


# LIST development



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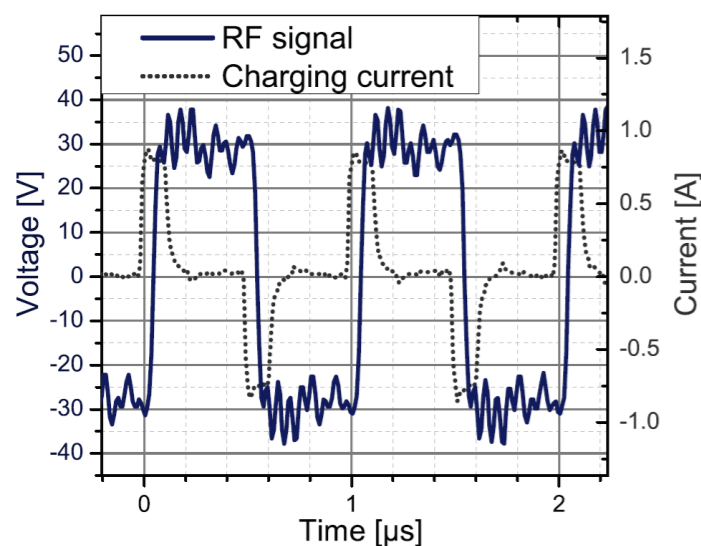
# LIST with GPS and HRS compatibility?



MHz-switched DC voltages (instead of sine wave) on quadrupole rods

- Transducer box obsolete
- Easy implementation of DC offset on rods
  - DC Offset LIST
- Method successfully used at TRIUMF

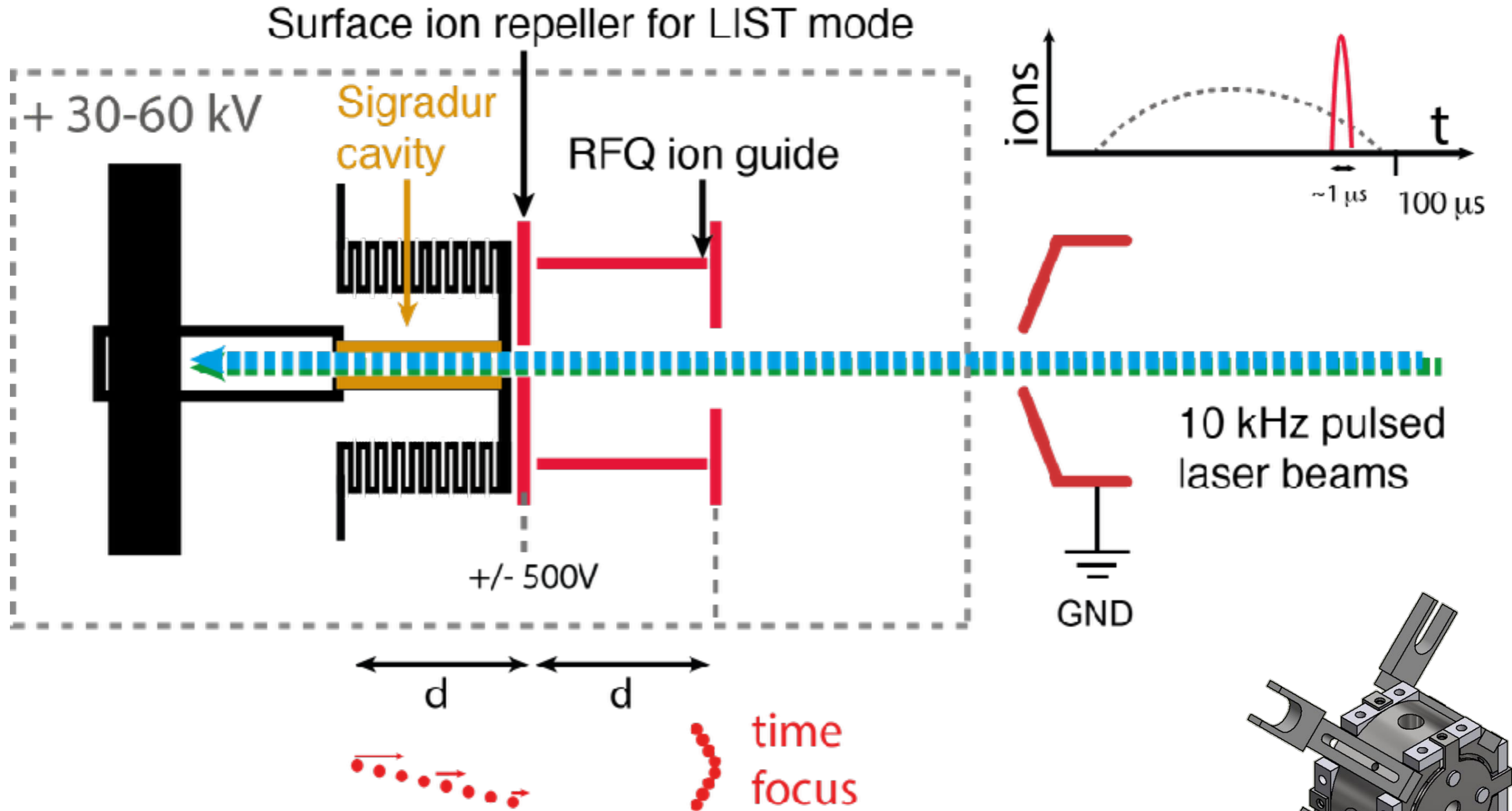
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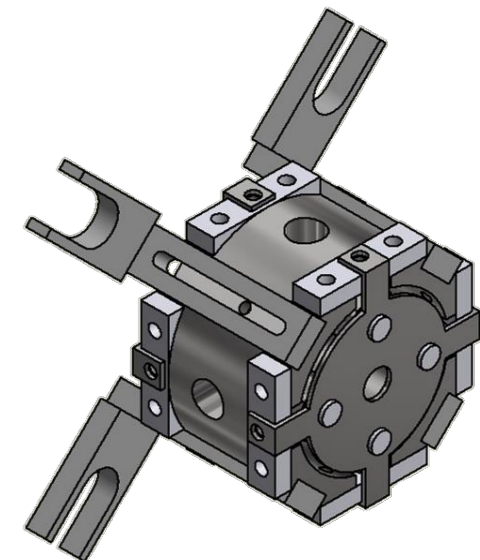
- High switching currents
- Low capacity transmission cables to target
- Impedance matching to reduce power dissipation
- Cooling of switching units on HV platform
- TRIUMF implementation currently refined by electronics workshop @ JGU
- Easy commercial solution with Behlke switches?



# LIST as a field-free region for ToFLIS



- LIST provides transverse confinement along 'drift' region
- Hot-cavity (ion-guide) and standard LIST mode still available



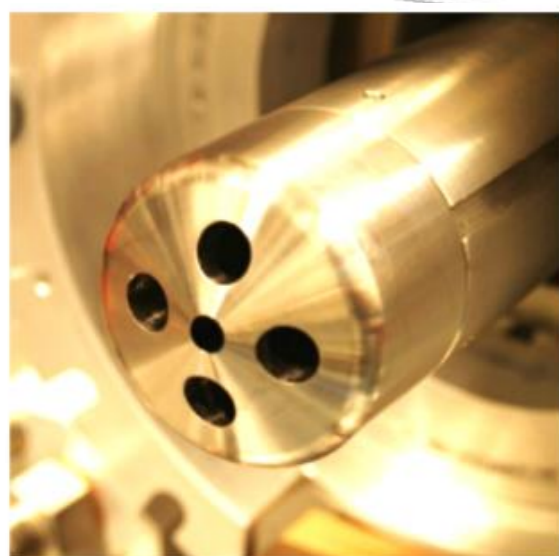
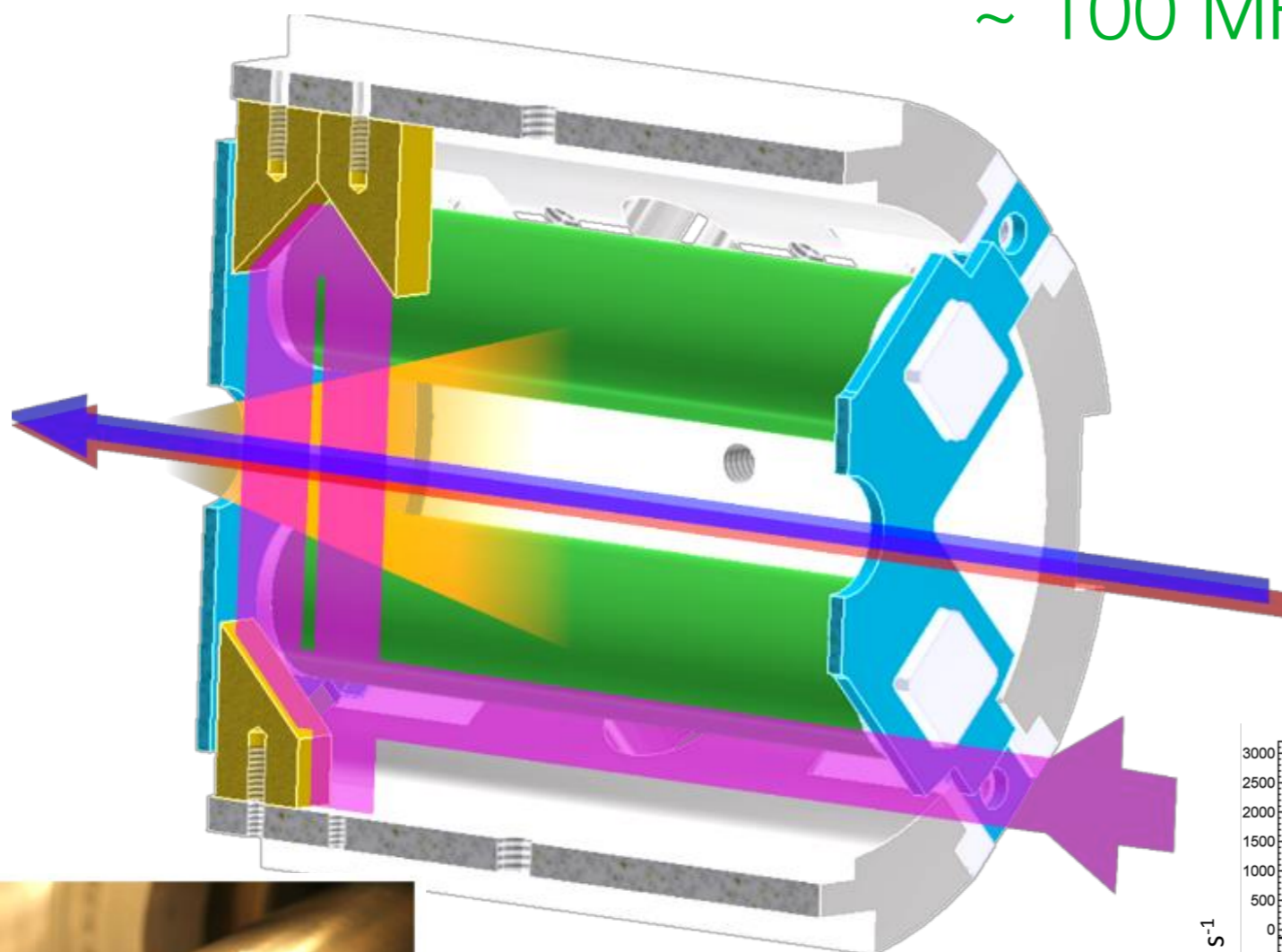
# Perpendicular illuminated LIST

~ 100 MHz resolution ( $> 10x$  better)

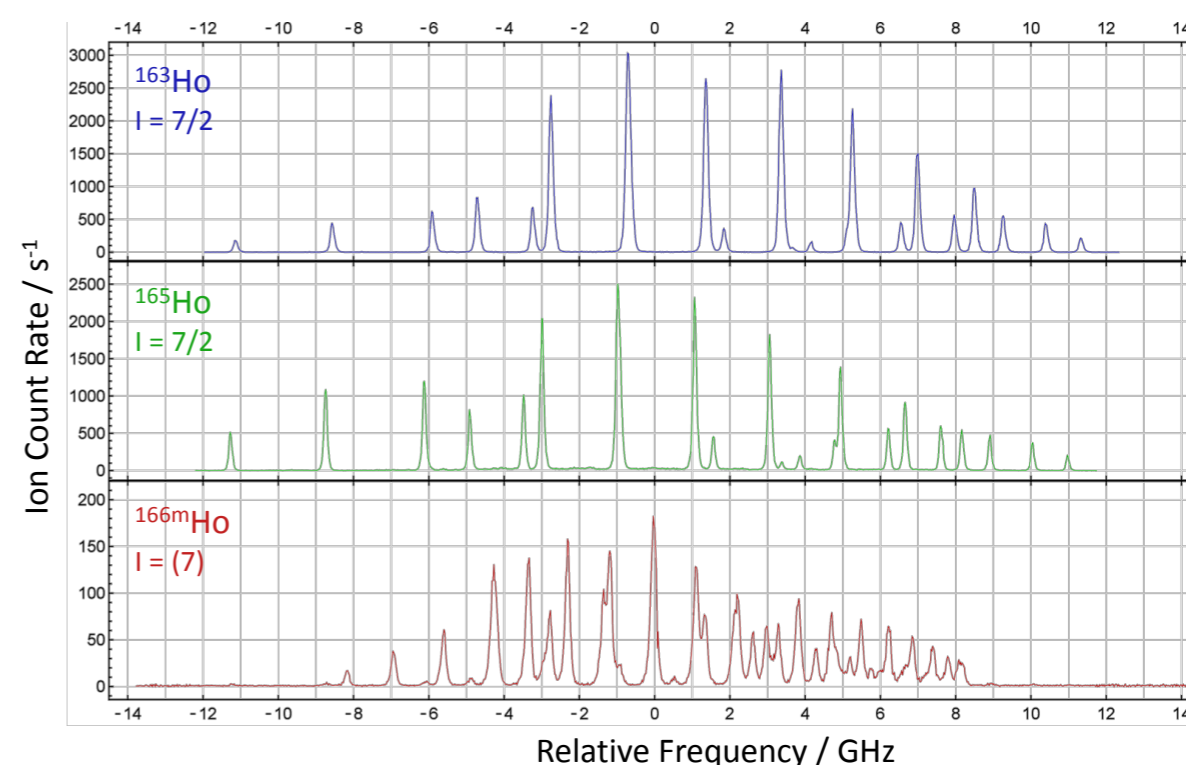
Isomer selective ionization  
for many elements

Extend In-Source RIS  
to light elements

$> 100x$  efficiency loss wrt RILIS

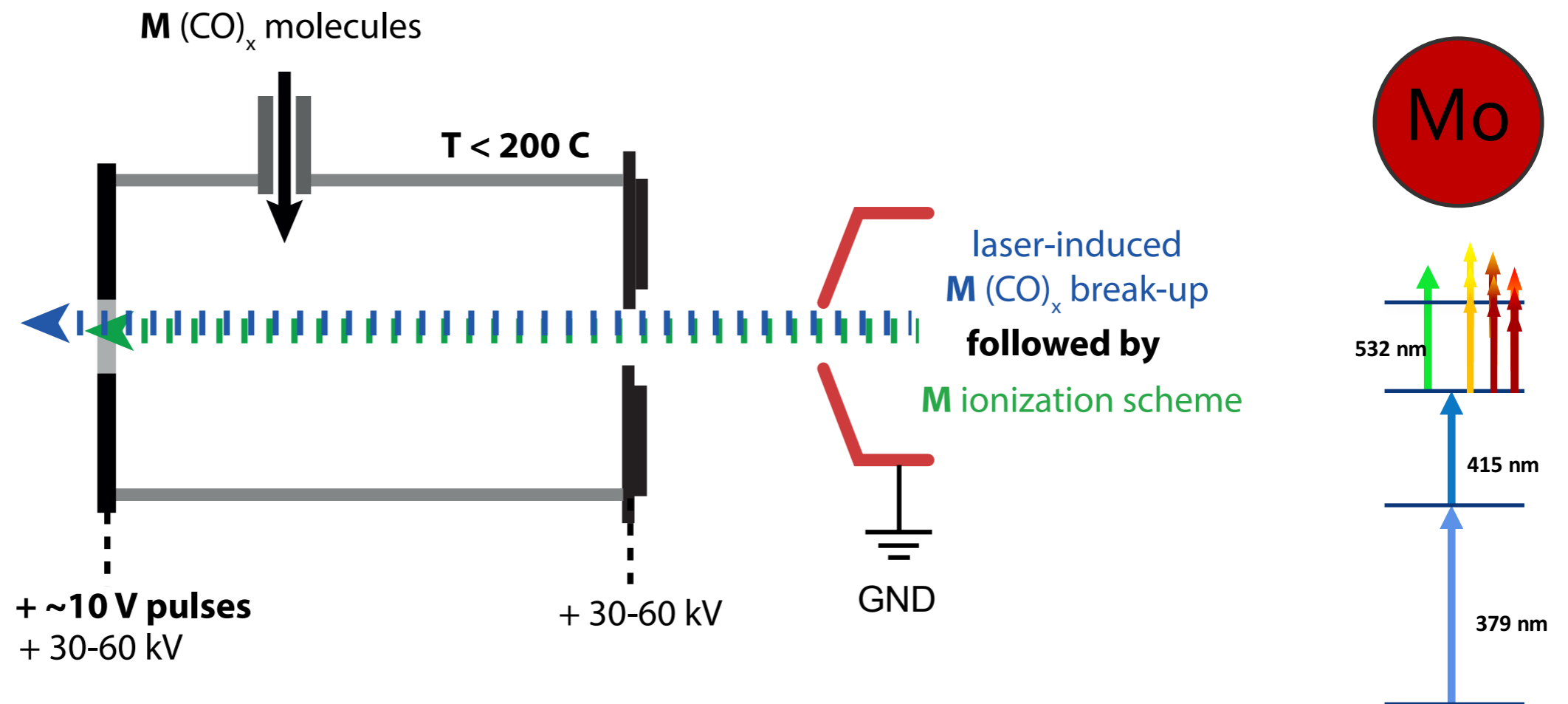


Reinhard Heinke (Mainz)



# Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub> - Molecular breakup + ionisation

- 1) Creation and transport of volatile molecules of refractory metals
- 2) Dissociation by laser pulse
- 3) Resonance ionisation before atom/wall collision



# ~picosecond laser for molecular breakup



0-200 kHz (600 fs), 100W @ 515 nm

FX series INNOSLAB laser

75 x peak power increase w.r.t  
our 100 W IS-series laser  
> 20 laser-molecule interactions  
per molecule (in hot cavity)

Test planned for Winter 2018/19

### Laser-induced molecular fragmentation at ISOL facilities

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#### Motivation

- A drawback of thick-target ISOL facilities is the difficulty in extracting reaction products of non-volatile elements [1].
- One approach is their extraction in the form of a volatile molecule but this poses the following disadvantages:
- Not compatible with experiments requiring elemental ion beams.
- Specific activity is spread across multiple molecular components.
- Reliance on unselective ionization (surface/plasma).

#### Possible breakup environments

- There are 4 environments in which molecular breakup could be performed.
- Each environment offers advantages and disadvantages.

**Hot-cavity ion source:**

- Simple and robust.
- Molecular fragmentation can occur on hot surfaces, leading to loss of refractory species.
- Laser/molecule overlap is good.
- Atom/molecule survival time: ~100 μs (mass-dependent).
- Small interaction volume - can achieve high photon density.

**FEBIAD:**

- Flexibility to probe various species with electron impact ionization.
- Can inject various gases and control neutral and ion load.
- Cold transfer line can be used to improve purity.

**RFQ cooler buncher:**

- Ions can be trapped for much longer times: 10-1000 ms.
- Larger interaction volume - hard to interact with entire ensemble.
- Attempt fragmentation of ionic molecules in trapping volume.

**Custom cold insulator cavity:**

- Simple and robust design.
- High ion extraction efficiency.
- Pulsed extraction synchronized with laser pulse timing is possible.
- Molecules can survive in the cold cavity, allowing interaction with multiple breakup laser pulses.

#### Laser-molecule interaction

- Molecular relaxation time,  $t_r$ , of the order of picoseconds.
- Laser pulse width,  $t_{laser}$ , is crucial in determining type of interaction with molecule.

**Nanosecond laser pulses:**

- Produced by current RILIS lasers [2].
- Peak power: ~ 1-100 kW.
- $t_r \ll t_{laser}$
- Single-photon processes dominate.
- Single-photon molecular fragmentation requires UV wavelength - power limited to  $\leq 1$  W.

**Femtosecond laser pulses:**

- Used commonly in fields of imaging/spectroscopy.
- Peak power: 1- 100 MW.
- Requires specialist optics (to prevent pulse broadening).
- $t_{laser} \ll t_r$
- Multi-photon processes dominate.
- However, non-fragmented molecular ionization can take place.
- (Subsequent fragmentation of ionized molecule can also occur).

**Picosecond laser pulses:**

- Intermediate instantaneous photon density.
- $t_{laser} \approx t_r$
- Molecules sometimes relax between absorption of photons.
- Can cause molecular rearrangement and fragmentation.
- Could provide a 'sweetspot' for molecular breakup.
- Can be used with current infrastructure (compared to fs laser).

#### Proposed tests at Offline 1

**Loan of picosecond laser:**

- Model: HyperRapid NX 532-25
- Wavelength/power: 532 nm, 25 W
- Pulse width/repetition rate: 25 ps, 200 kHz - 1 MHz.
- Peak power: 5 MW.

**Near future:**

- Use a VADIS at Offline 1 with 'dirty' target and/or gas leaks to produce lots of molecules.
- Perform mass scans with and without picosecond laser beam focused into ion source.
- Identify species (if any) that fragment from picosecond laser.
- Optimize any observed fragmentation process.
- Estimate efficiency.

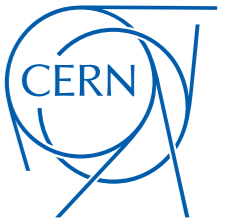
**Long shutdown 2:**

- Testing in RFQ cooler buncher at Offline 2.

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# RILIS support



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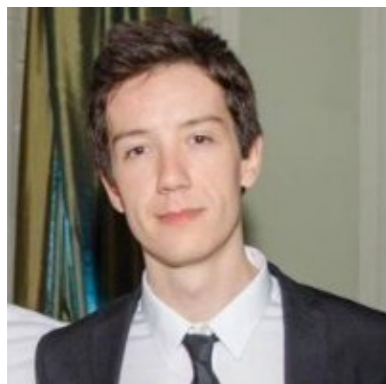
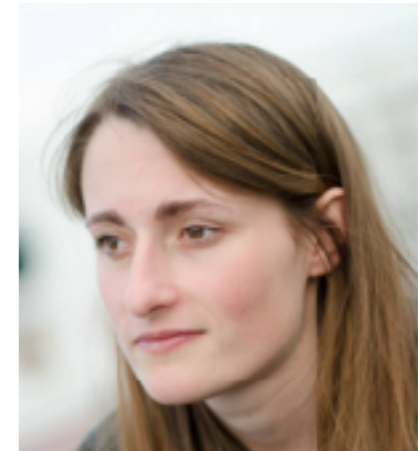


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PhD student since Oct. 2016

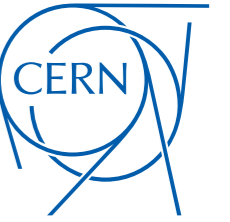


Shane Gary Wilkins  
CERN fellow since  
Oct. 2017



Support from PNPI: Dima Fedorov,  
Pavel Molkanov, Maxim Seliverstov

Eduardo Granados (new Staff member STI-LP)



# Conclusion - aims for after LS2

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Fully operational RILIS @ OFFLINE 2

Fully operational RILIS @ MEDICIS

New dye lasers @ RILIS

Spare Blaze equivalent laser @ RILIS

Dual beam observation system (GPS and HRS) @ RILIS

Fourier limited linewidth Dye and Ti:Sapphire systems @ RILIS

RAMAN laser at RILIS?

CERN-supported RILIS control/DAQ

LIST operational at HRS and GPS

Modified VADLIS as standard

High-resistance (Sigradur) RILIS cavity

Offline demonstration of ToFLIS

LIST with PI option ?

Feasibility study of laser-induced molecular breakup

ISBM activities

RILIS activities

MEDICIS



spare slides

# Setting development priorities

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$$\frac{\text{Feasibility} \times \text{Usefulness}}{\text{Resources} \times 0.5} = ?$$

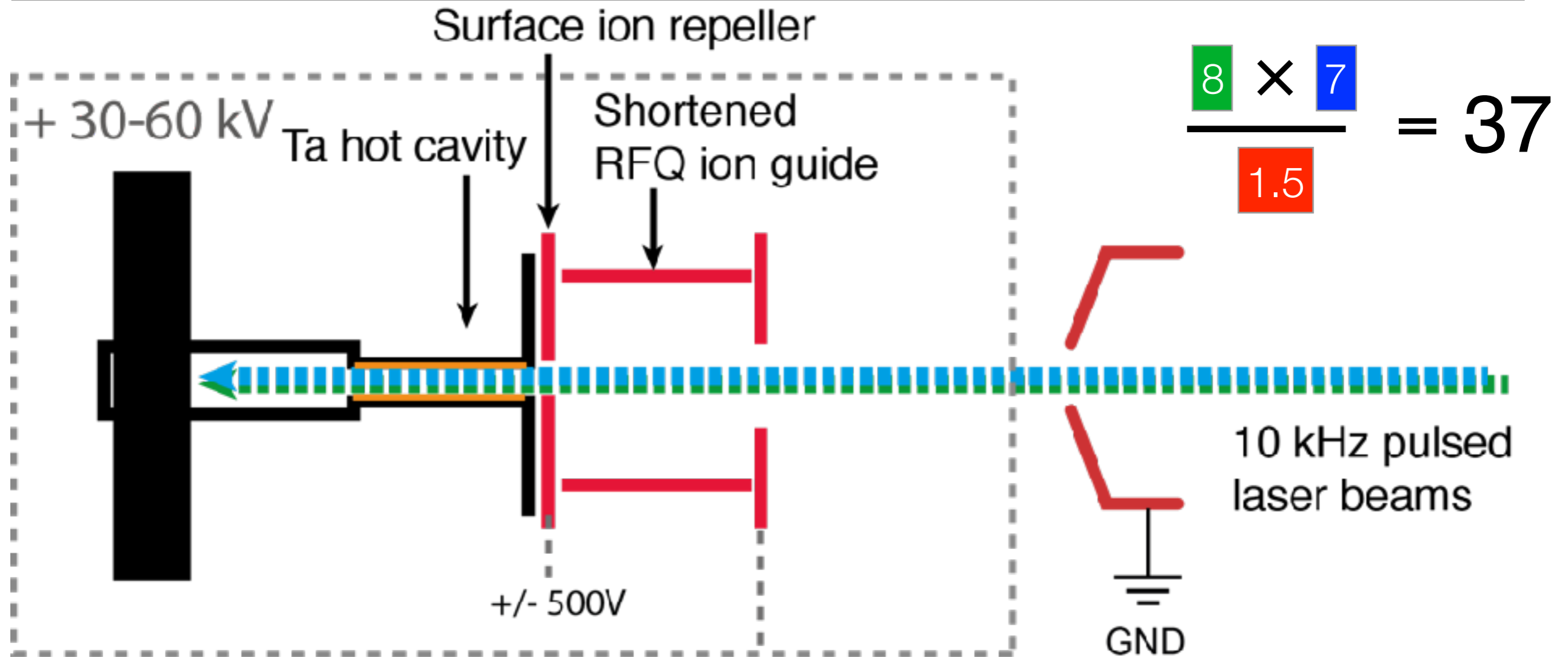
Suggestion: apply a 1-10 rating to each of these:

**Feasibility** How likely it is to work as intended and withstand ISOLDE conditions?

**Usefulness** How much benefit does it bring compared to existing options?

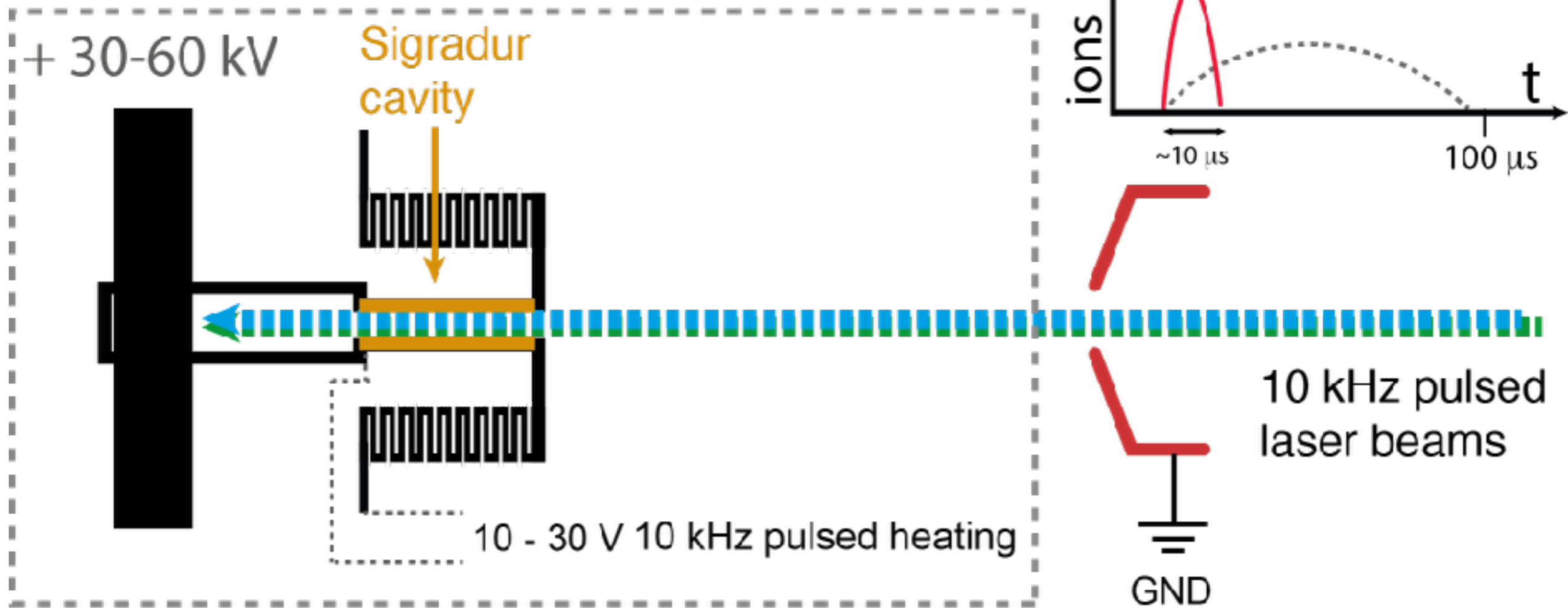
**Resources** What are the financial, time, manpower and equipment costs?

# High Selectivity RILIS #1 — Short LIST



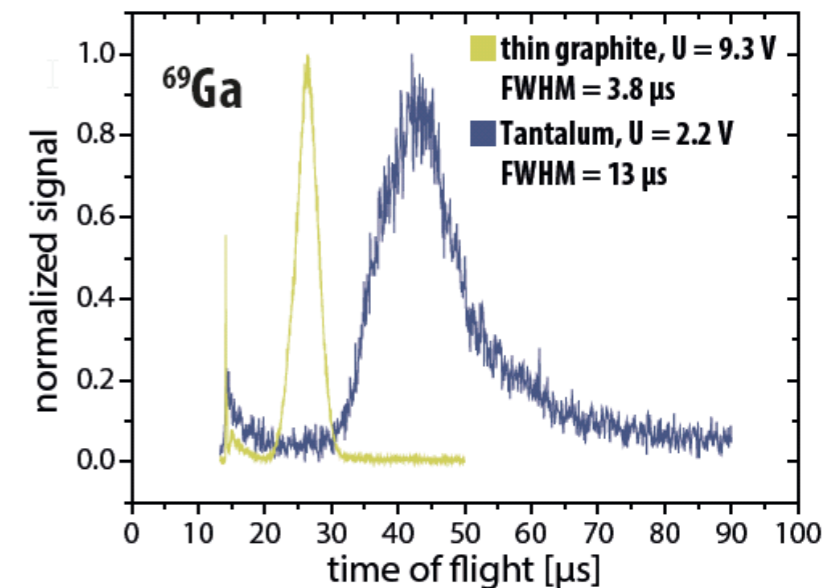
- New size enables compatibility with quartz line for extra selectivity
- No additional efficiency loss factor
- Accepted proposal for Tl, Po
- Quartz line suppression of Fr, Ra and transmission of Tl, Po unknown

# High Selectivity RILIS #2 – HR Cavity

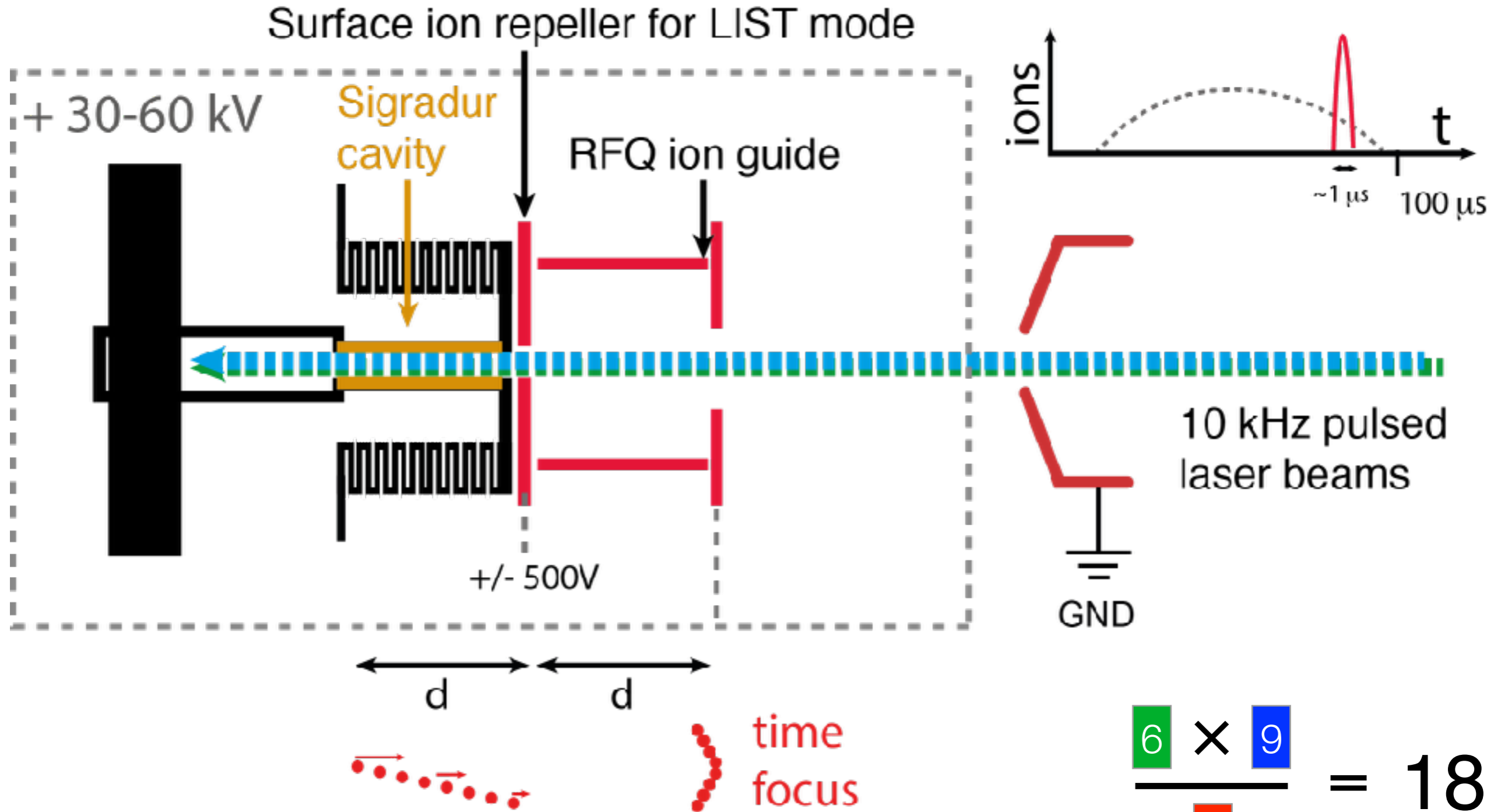


- Factor of  $\sim 10$  surface ion suppression by beam gating
- Negligible efficiency loss?
- Possible improvement in hot cavity ion capacity??

$$\frac{7 \times 9}{2.5} = 25$$



# High Selectivity RILIS #3 — ToF-LIS



$$\frac{6 \times 9}{3} = 18$$

- LIST provides transverse confinement along 'drift' region
- Hot-cavity (ion-guide) and standard LIST mode still available