

ISOLDE Technical Report

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ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT

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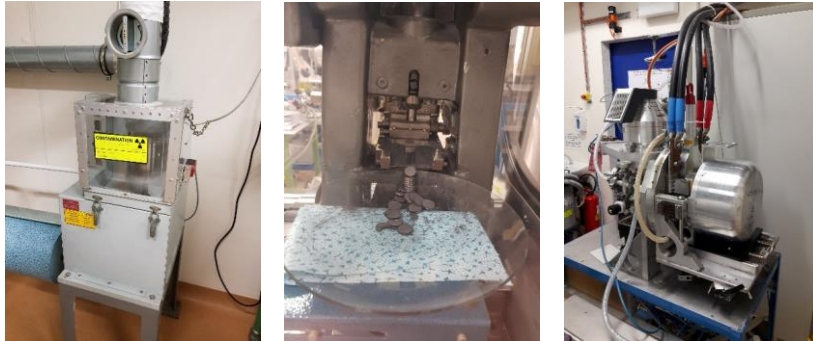
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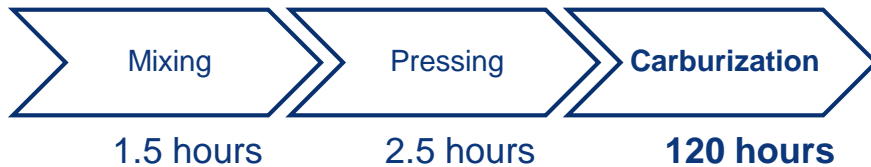
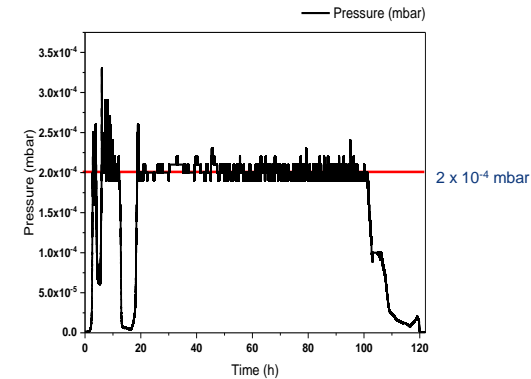
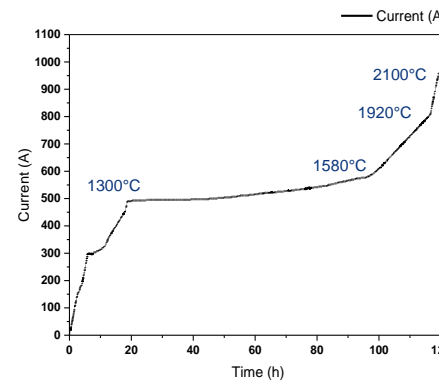
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Optimisation of UC_x production

Current method

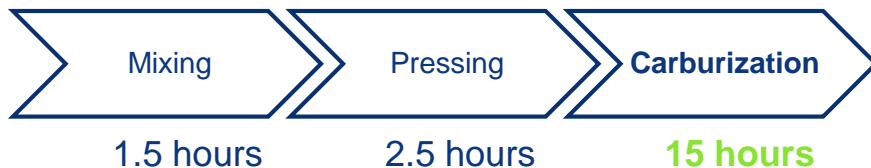


Annual production: 10-12 batch
Production rate: 1 batch / week



Heating speed is limited by vacuum level (max. 2×10^{-4} mbar)

New method



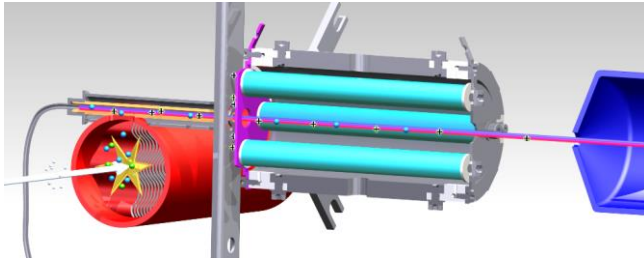
Increase of pressure limit
→ 2 mbar

NEXT STEP:

- Control and Validation of new method
- ✓ Microstructural characterisation of UC_x
- ✓ Isotope release tests online

(N.-T. Vuong, M. Owen, S. Rothe)

LIST @ Frontend 10,11

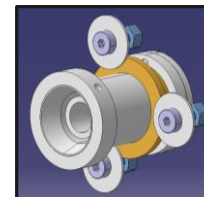
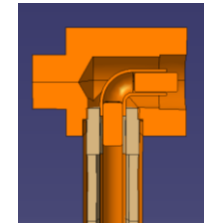
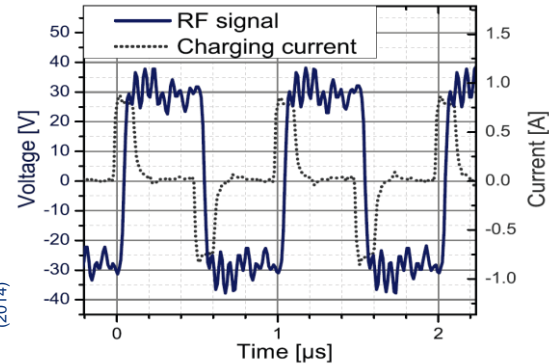


- LIST delivers very pure beams at ISOLDE: More and more requests
- LS2: More reliable rad. hard RF connector designed, integrated to FE
- Square wave driven RFQ needs to be verified, respective hardware purchased and installed

Objectives for after LS2:

- **both Frontends** will be compatible to LIST
- 2 RF lines **reduce complexity** of the target
- **LIST offered as standard ion source** to users

S. Raeder et al., Rev. Of Sc. Instr. 85, 033309 (2014)



LIST RF connectors: frontend and target side
(J.Cruikshank, R.Heinke, S.Rothe)

Restart of non-actinide nano materials

- Requirement for development towards actinide nano materials. Equipment purchase ongoing.



- Old **Glovebox to be refurbished** in Chemical lab Bat.26
- New extraction system for hydraulic press: design phase
- Dry **tests and documentation** with HSE planned for Q4 2019
- After LS2: Ensure safe production of MWCNT and other non-actinide nano targets in-house



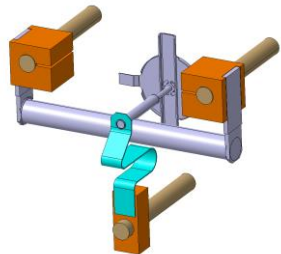
Glovebox underpressure test

(B.Crepieux, R.Martins, S.Rothe)

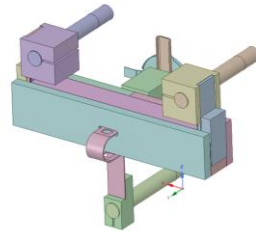
Improved target and ion source heating

- Main goal is to **remove cold spots in the target**, which reduce yield
- CAD design and ANSYS ready, **waiting for prototype**

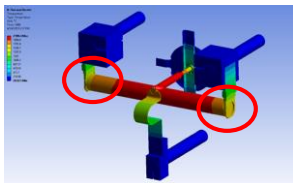
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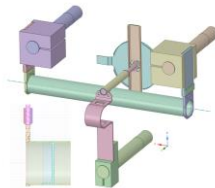
2) SIGRATHERM® MFA as a new thermal insulation



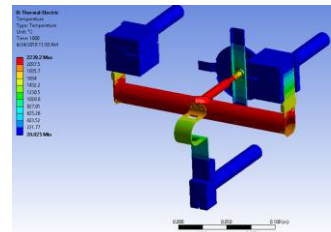
3) New optimized cap design



New caps design + 50% less material in the container extremities

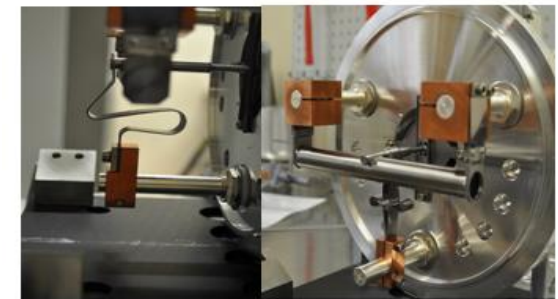


Simulated concept



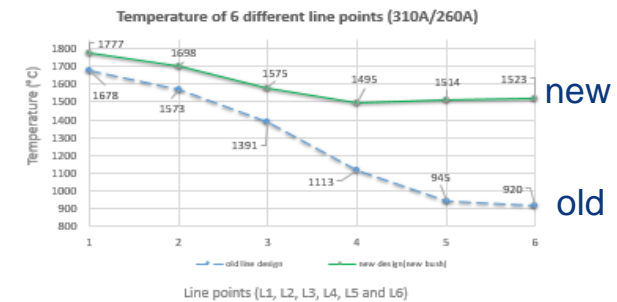
DT < 150°C

First exp. results: New line heating reduces ΔT



new

old



(V.Samothrakis, S.Marzari, S.Roth)

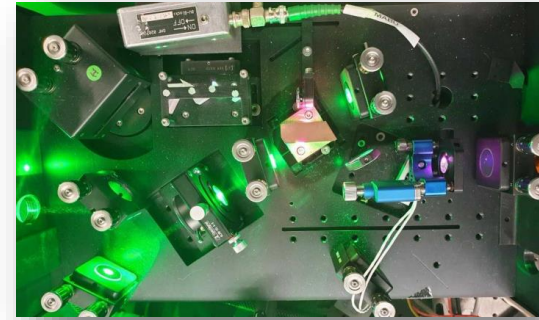
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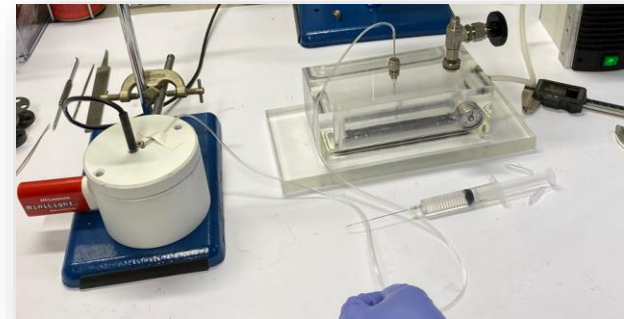
MEDICIS Status Report

- **Successful first collections using external sources and first ever laser ionized beam used during collection**
 - ✓ 7x Er-169 → 288MBq Total
 - Ampoules imported from ILL, delivered to PSI and NPL
 - ✓ 4x Yb-175 → 519MBq Total
 - Ampoules imported from ILL, delivered to PSI : **1st results for medical experiment MED-18 already achieved.**
 - ✓ 2x Tb-155 → 0.2MBq Total
 - Target imported from Arronax, delivered to NPL and SCK/KULeuven
 - ✓ 3x Pt-195m → 450 MBq total
 - Ampoules imported from ILL, 1 delivered to HUG without mass separation
- **New set-up for decontamination and opening of ampoules (courtesy B. Crepieux)**
 - ✓ Successful reduction of dose received during procedure by factor 3
 - Factor 10 reduction achievable with planned development
 - ✓ Well in compliance with ALARA
- **4th MEDICIS Collaboration Board Meeting**
 - ✓ Reports from collaborations and experimental status updates
 - ✓ New proposals and future upgrades discussed
- **Latvia minister visited CERN**
 - ✓ Waiting for the official notification of Latvia joining up

Laser beam in MELISSA laboratory



New set-up for decontamination and opening of vials



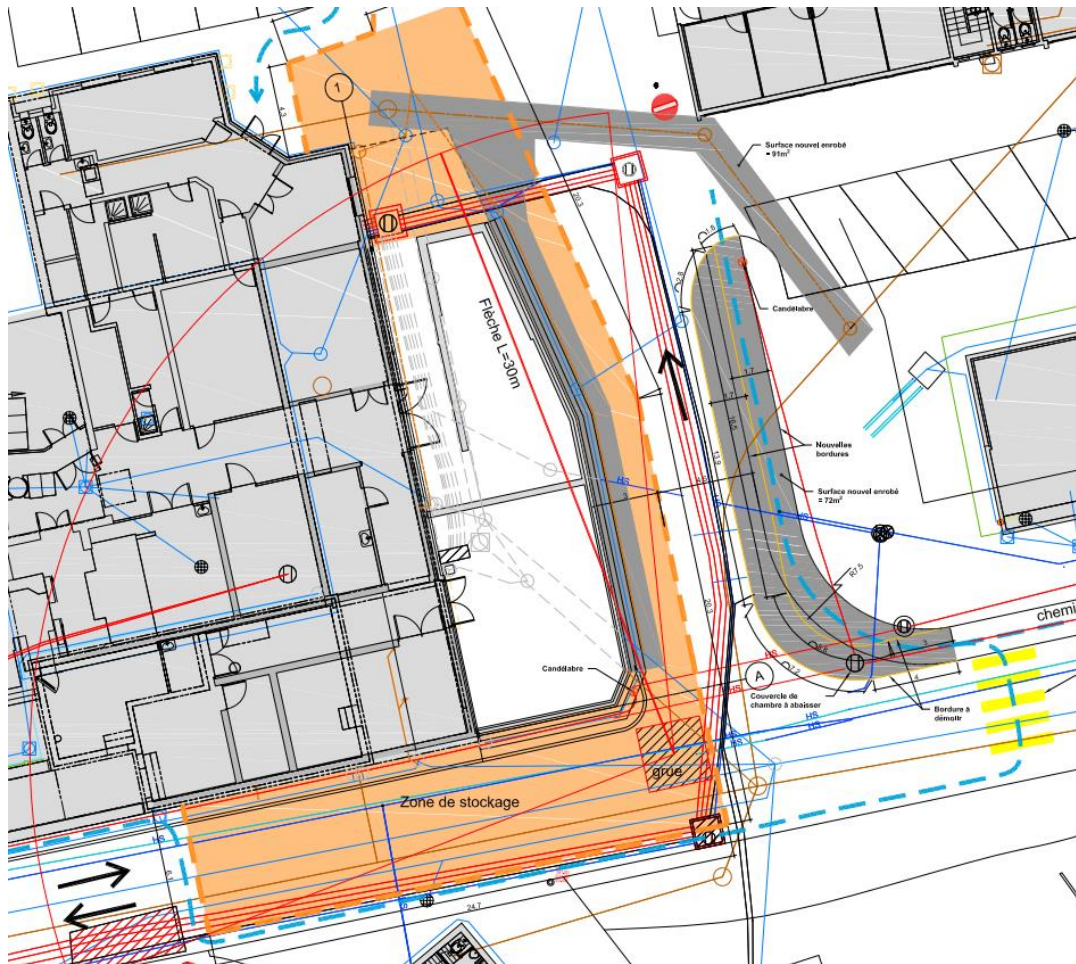
LP + RBS team

Open Days at MEDICIS (~1400 visitors)

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Nano-lab



- As from January 2020, the worksite will be closed off as shown.
- Access to B. 179 for “big” material will be difficult between Feb and May.
- Ventilation of the labs (not target area) will be stopped for ~5 months starting Jan 2021
- Impact on actinide target production

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Readiness ISOLDE Low Energy



Status:

Delay on the production of the new Front-End: a lot of time has been recovered
FE10 and FE11 installation in resp. January and June 2020 followed by commissioning

New Front-Ends:

- Catching up delay caused by mechanical issues (extraction electrode)
- FE10 (HRS) assembly finalized. Ready for installation Jan 2020
- FE11 ready for installation June 2020

GLM & GHM area:

- Refurbishment to comply to modern legislation for the manipulation of open sources
- Ready for start-up in 2020

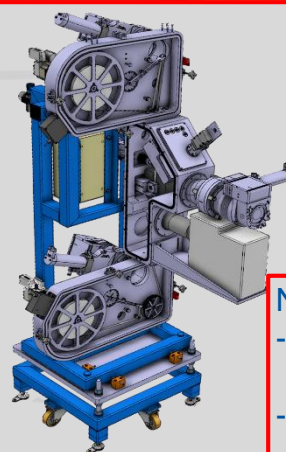
HRS

HT modulators:

- High Precision 60kV DC HV power supplies installed on HT 1 & 2
- Target Modulators, HT fast recovery systems, installed on HT1 & 2
- FESA3 compliant control system deployed
- On site test load and HT calibration tools installed
- Ready for commissioning at start-up in 2020

REX / HIE ISOLDE:

- See next slide



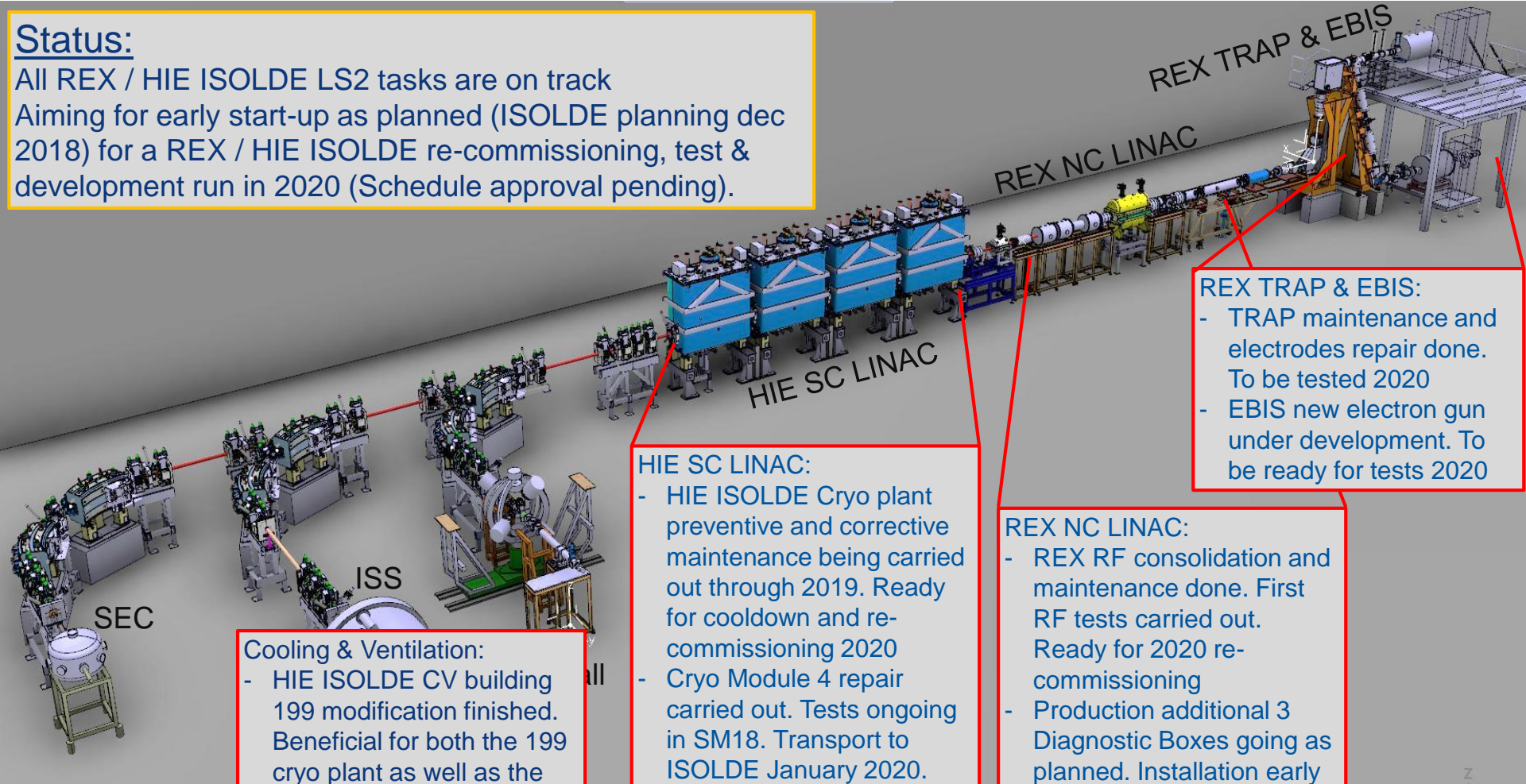
New fast Tape-Station:

- Installed in the CAO beamline
- Operational at start-up in 2020

Readiness REX & HIE ISOLDE

Status:

All REX / HIE ISOLDE LS2 tasks are on track
Aiming for early start-up as planned (ISOLDE planning dec 2018) for a REX / HIE ISOLDE re-commissioning, test & development run in 2020 (Schedule approval pending).



Cooling & Ventilation:

- HIE ISOLDE CV building 199 modification finished. Beneficial for both the 199 cryo plant as well as the 508 CV/airco system (user labs).
- 508 CV/airco upgrade finished and labs are up to user specs.

HIE SC LINAC:

- HIE ISOLDE Cryo plant preventive and corrective maintenance being carried out through 2019. Ready for cooldown and re-commissioning 2020
- Cryo Module 4 repair carried out. Tests ongoing in SM18. Transport to ISOLDE January 2020.
- Re-commissioning CM1-4 with stable beam from EBIS foreseen as of May 2020 as per ISOLDE planning

REX NC LINAC:

- REX RF consolidation and maintenance done. First RF tests carried out. Ready for 2020 re-commissioning
- Production additional 3 Diagnostic Boxes going as planned. Installation early 2020 followed by commissioning and test
- REX vacuum maintenance ongoing. To be ready for 2020 re-commissioning

REX TRAP & EBIS:

- TRAP maintenance and electrodes repair done. To be tested 2020
- EBIS new electron gun under development. To be ready for tests 2020

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FE10 and FE 11 Production

- **Status of Front End 10:**
 - FE10 has been moved to the offline 2 for testing.
 - Fiducialization and alignment done
 - Objective is to have FE10 transported to the target area in January 2020
- **Status of Front End 11:**
 - All pieces are ready and assembling activities have started.
 - Based on experience and duplicity of pieces, assembly should be faster
 - Transfer to ISOLDE in Spring of 2020



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Start Up 2020?

- The decision to start the ISOLDE facility as early as summer 2020 in preparation for the physicist's run in 2021 is still under discussion.
- A justification/planning will be presented to the IEFC on the 22nd November for information prior to the Research Board in December 2019.
- Constraints for FE's
 - Finishing and testing
 - Access due to nano lab construction
- Constraints for HIE-ISOLDE
 - Operation costs – estimated at 130kCHF
 - Both installations and the facility have an intense commissioning program...

Phases for hardware testing of FEs



Action	Group	~Time (days)
Connection	EN-STI-RBS EN-HE	5
Alignment	EN-SMM	2
Movement	RBS/SMM	2
Robot	EN-HE/SMM	3
Vacuum	TE-VSC	3
Water	EN-CV	1
Low tension	RBS/ TE-EPC	2
Target connections	RBS BE-OP	2
HT transfer tube	RBS	1
Controls	BE-OP BE-CO	10
Interlocks	BE-OP	1
High tension (1/2)	TE-ABT	2

Commissioning of FE with stable beam



Action	Group	~Time (days)
Beam production	BE-OP EN-STI	5
Beam transport	BE-OP	5
Scanners and FCs	BE-OP BE-BI	10
Electrostatic equipment	TE-EPC BE-OP	5
Fast tape station	BE-OP/CO EN-STI/SMM	5
RFQ Cooler	EN-STI BE-OP	5
Transport to REX/HIE	BE-OP/ABP	20
Transport to experiments	BE-OP EP-SME	20
Laser tests	EN-LP	20

Beam Commissioning 2020:

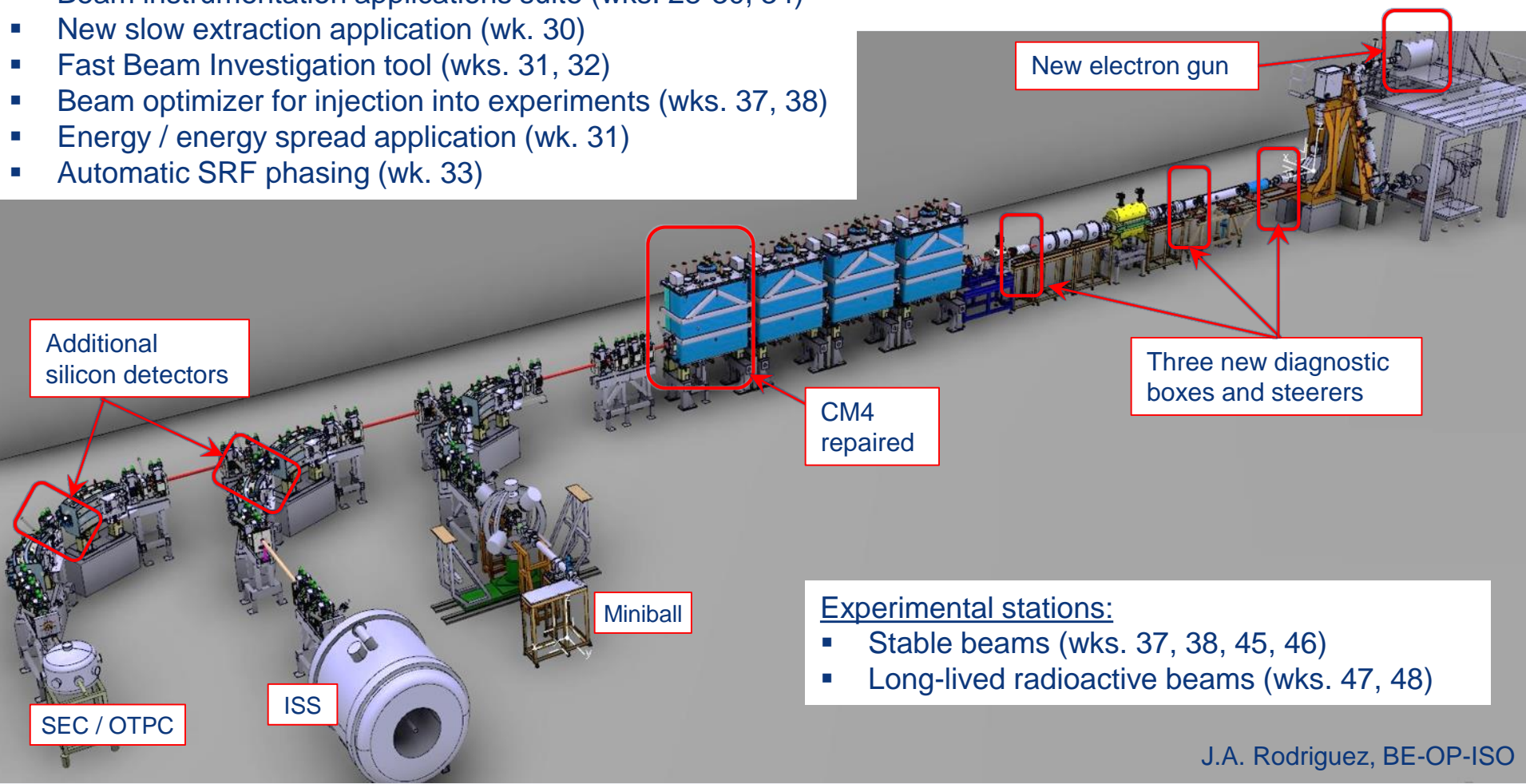


New or heavily refurbished hardware:

- New steerers and diagnostic boxes: FCs, slits, attenuators, collimators and silicon detectors (wks. 28, 29, 30)
- New electron gun in the REX-EBIS charge breeder (contaminant characterization: wks. 29, 31)
- REX RF amplifiers (wks. 30-32)
- Phasing of refurbished cryomodule 4 (CM4) (wk. 33)
- Two additional silicon detectors (wk. 34)

New software or major upgrades:

- Beam instrumentation applications suite (wks. 28-30, 34)
- New slow extraction application (wk. 30)
- Fast Beam Investigation tool (wks. 31, 32)
- Beam optimizer for injection into experiments (wks. 37, 38)
- Energy / energy spread application (wk. 31)
- Automatic SRF phasing (wk. 33)



Experimental stations:

- Stable beams (wks. 37, 38, 45, 46)
- Long-lived radioactive beams (wks. 47, 48)

Machine Studies 2020:

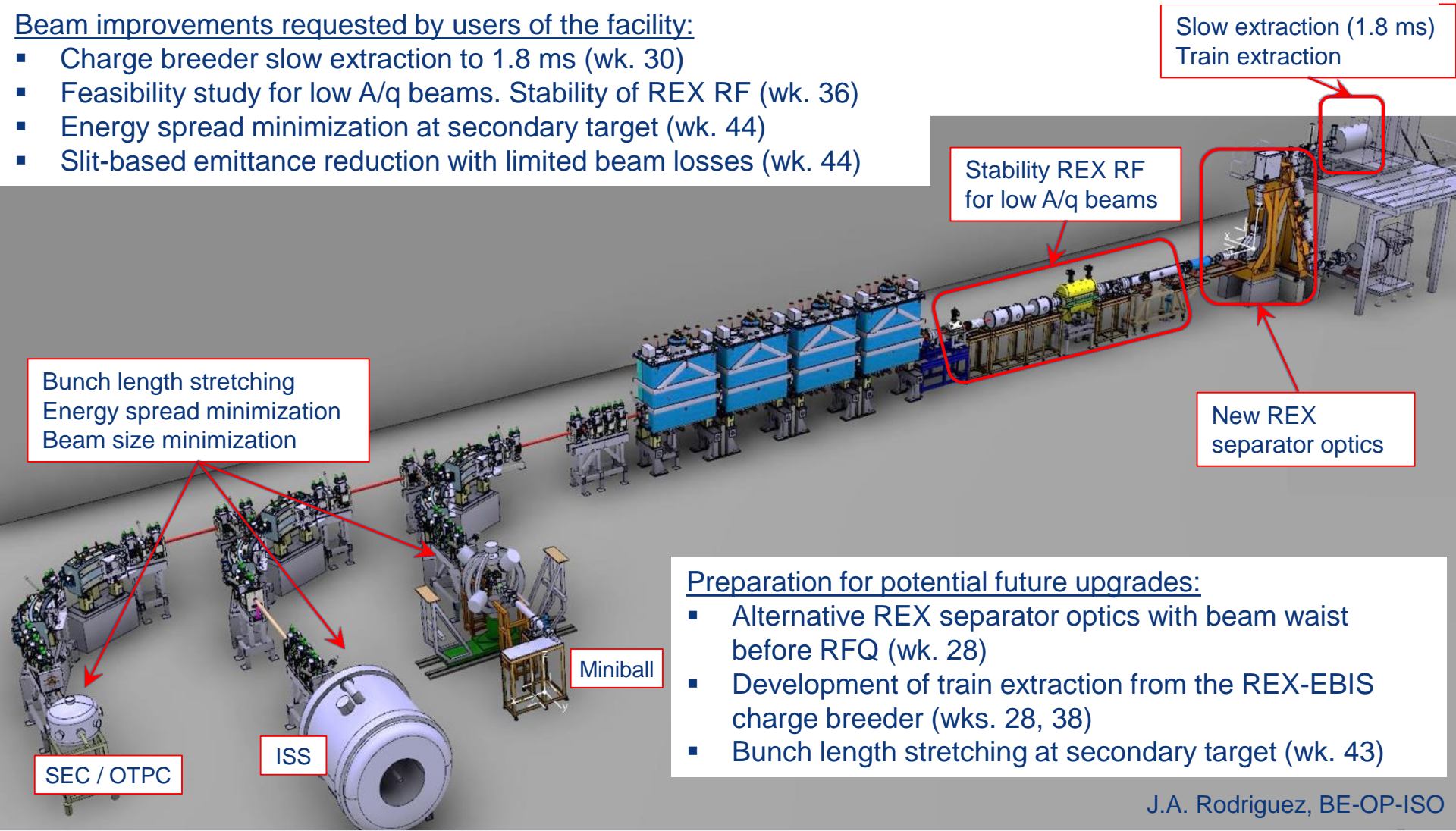


Machine development:

- Energy and energy spread measurement in three HEBT lines (wk. 34)
- Transverse and longitudinal phase space characterization and validation of optics models (wks. 35, 43)
- Machine A/q scalability studies (wk. 41)
- Development of beam-based energy gain measurement (wk. 42)

Beam improvements requested by users of the facility:

- Charge breeder slow extraction to 1.8 ms (wk. 30)
- Feasibility study for low A/q beams. Stability of REX RF (wk. 36)
- Energy spread minimization at secondary target (wk. 44)
- Slit-based emittance reduction with limited beam losses (wk. 44)



Preparation for potential future upgrades:

- Alternative REX separator optics with beam waist before RFQ (wk. 28)
- Development of train extraction from the REX-EBIS charge breeder (wks. 28, 38)
- Bunch length stretching at secondary target (wk. 43)

HIE-ISOLDE commissioning



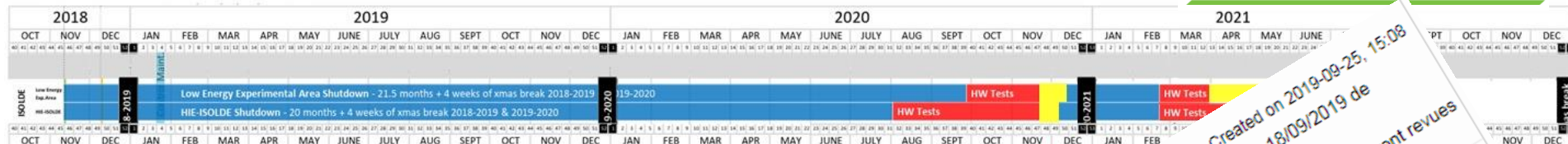
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Cryo commissioning	TE-CRG	55
CM commissioning	TE-CRG	35 (+20)
Survey	EN-SMM	12
Beam commissioning	BE-OP	42
Machine development	BE-OP	40
Total		184

2021 start – up if fully commissioned in 2020

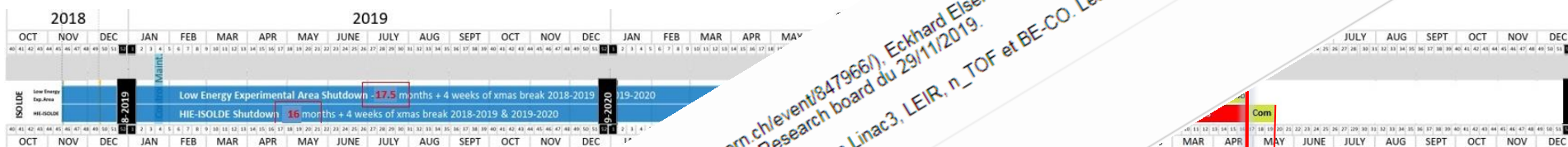


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LS2 Schedule V 2.3: No early start-up in 2020 (since Oct.



As requested: Early start-up in 2020:



No early start-up 2020:

- Low E Physics start end April 2021
- HIE-ISOLDE Physics start mid-May 2021

Gain:

- 1 month Low Energy Physics
- Greater understanding of the machine
- Higher quality beams and shorter set-up times

Accepted with Warning by COUPARD Julie (EN-ACE)
 Comme indiqué par Miguel lors du LS2C #45 du 20/09/2019 (<https://indico.cern.ch/event/847966/>), Eckhard Elsen a demandé lors du Research Board du 29/11/2019.
 Une version Released 2.3 du Master Schedule LS2 sera éditée incluant les modifications Linac3, LEIR, n_TOF et BE-CO. Les modifications ISOLDE/HIE-ISOLDE seront revues

- Approval Closed status - PERROT Anne-Laure - 2019-10-02, 15:15
- Approval Accepted status - PERROT Anne-Laure - 2019-10-02, 15:16

Courtesy of E. Siesling and J.Vollaire for BE-OP-ISO

Possible Planning Scenarios

