

CLEAR overview and beam program









CLEAR - Scientific and strategic goals:

- Providing a test facility at CERN with high availability, easy access and high quality e- beams.
 - Performing R&D on accelerator components, including innovative beam instrumentation prototyping, high gradient RF technology realistic beam tests and beam-based impedance measurements.
 - Providing an irradiation facility with high-energy electrons, e.g. for testing electronic components in collaboration with ESA or for medical purposes (VHEE), possibly also for particle physic detectors.
 - Performing R&D on novel accelerating techniques electron driven plasma and THz acceleration. In
 particular developing technology and solutions needed for future particle physics applications, e.g.,
 beam emittance preservation for reaching high luminosities.
- Maintaining CERN and European expertise for electron linacs linked to future collider studies (e.g. CLIC and ILC, but also AWAKE and FCC-ee injectors), and providing a focus for strengthening collaboration in this area.
- Using CLEAR as a training infrastructure for the next generation of accelerator scientists and engineers.





- Approved in December 2016, as a 2 + 2 years program
- Reviewed and extended until 2020 in February 2019
- Included in the new CERN Medium Term Plan 2021-2025 in spring 2020
 - Operational budget, independent from CLIC, 800 kCHF/year (material)
- MTP 2021-2025 approved by the CERN Council in September 2020



Start with beam August 2017

- 19 weeks of operation in 2017
- 36 weeks in 2018
- 38 weeks in 2019
- 29 weeks so far in 2020 with about two months lockdown

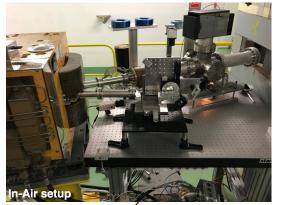
Due to Covid related measures, 2020 activities limited so far to CERN users





CLEAR Layout & main installations

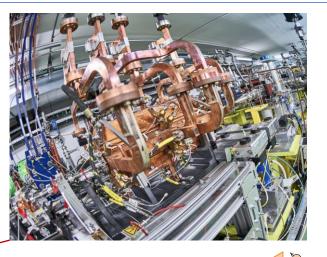




In-air test stand

Testing ground for beam diagnostics R&D and THz radiation studies

Irradiation for medical and other applications



CLIC Test-Stand

High-gradient and linear colliders R&D



ACS 0270



Novel concepts of plasma-based focusing and acceleration



Beam irradiation facility for studies on radiation damage of electronics and medical applications





ACS 0250

ACS 0230

CALIFES electron linac

Flexible accelerator providing 200 MeV electron beams to all CLEAR users



CLEAR Beam Parameters



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	Beam parameter	Range
	Energy	60 – 230 MeV
R	Energy Spread	< 0.2 % rms (< 1 MeV FWHM)
	Bunch Length	0.1 ps – 10 ps rms
	Bunch Charge	5 pC – 3 nC
	Number of bunches per pulse	1 to ~150
-/	Maximum total pulse charge	30 nC
F	Normalized emittances	$3 \ \mu m$ to $30 \ \mu m$ (bunch charge dependent)
*	Repetition rate	0.8 to 10 Hz
	Bunch spacing	1.5 GHz (from Laser)





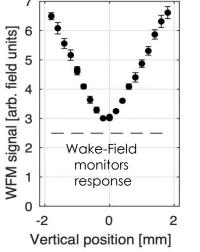
K. Sjobaek, A. Gilardi, M. Wendt, A. Lyapin

Ongoing experiments:

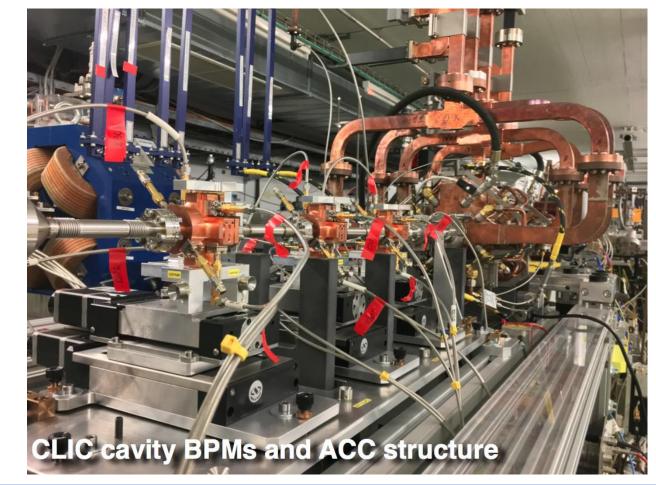
- Wake-Field monitors
- Wake-field kicks
- CLIC cavity BPMs

Main collaborators

- University of Oslo
- CEA Saclay
- Università di Napoli Federico II
- RHUL



Former CLIC Module



Future step, connecting the cavity to X-Box1

possible tests:

- RF kicks
- Breakdown kicks
- RF effect on WFMs
- Stability & reliability runs



Figure 1: Prototype copper CLIC cavity BPM.

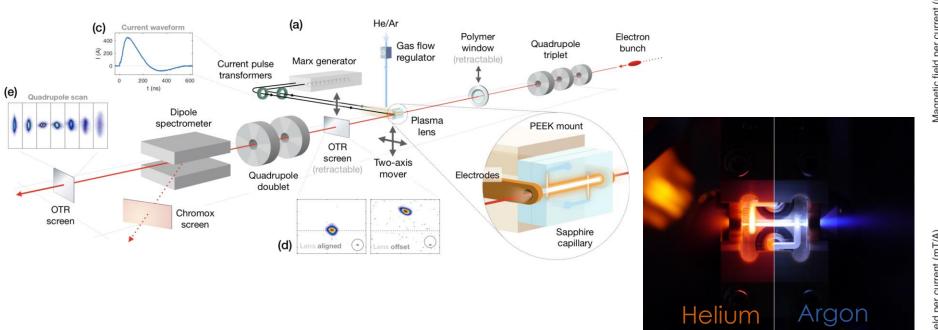


Past highlights – Plasma lens

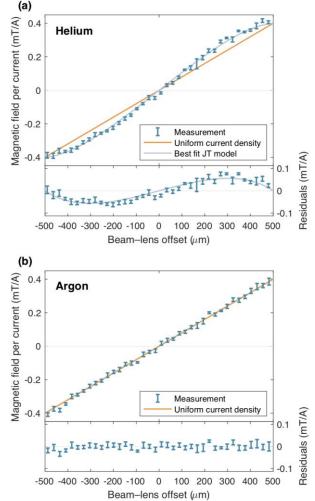


Emittance Preservation in an Aberration-Free Active Plasma Lens

C. A. Lindstrøm, E. Adli, G. Boyle, R. Corsini, A. E. Dyson, W. Farabolini, S. M. Hooker, M. Meisel, J. Osterhoff, J.-H. Röckemann, L. Schaper, and K. N. Sjobak Phys. Rev. Lett. **121**, 194801 – Published 7 November 2018



- Emittance preservation and fully linear focusing in an active plasma lens demonstrated with the use of an argon-based discharge capillary.
- Direct October 2019 record magnetic field gradient of 5.2 kT/m ! d nonline company.
- Quadrupole scans demonstrated expected emittance preservation and growth (respectively) consistent with the measured field profiles.





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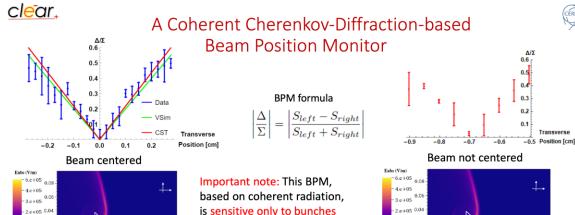
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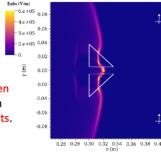
Past highlights – Beam Instrumentation R&D

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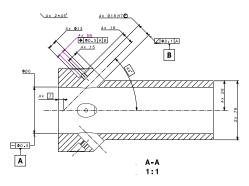


is sensitive only to bunches shorter than a certain threshold bunch length. This means that it can be used to distinguish between bunches of different length, or even to make bunch length measurements.

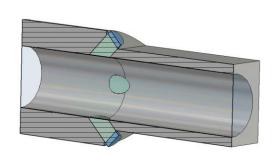


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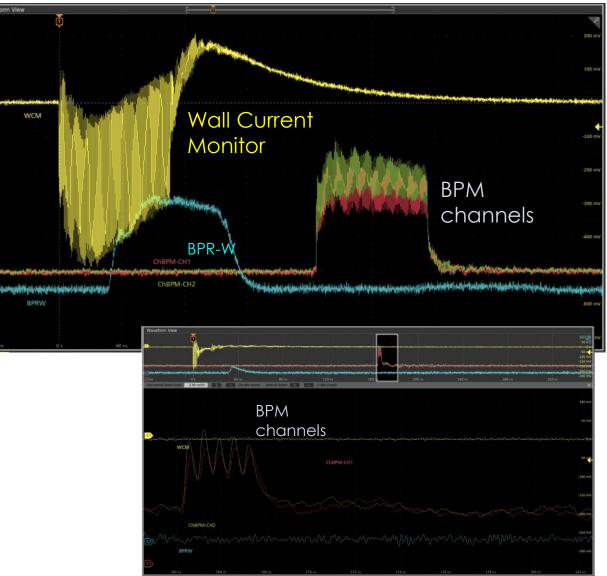
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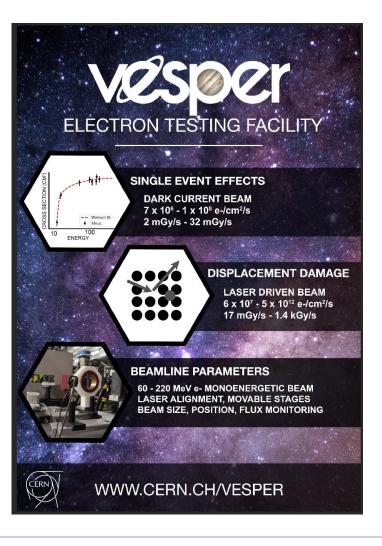


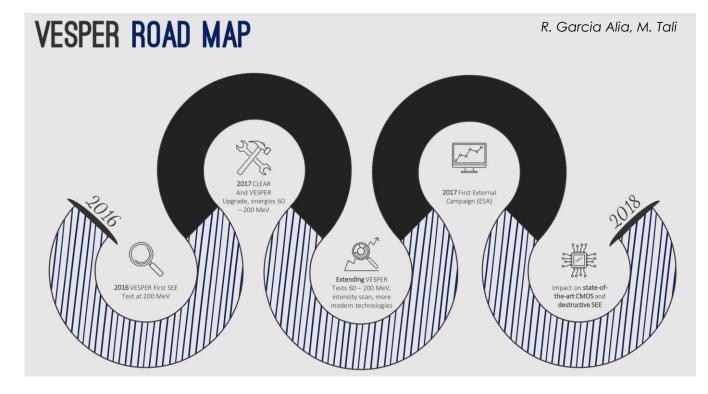


Esper irradiation facility R2E



- Beam line already developed and tested in 2016, in collaboration with the CERN R2E team
- In CLEAR we improved diagnostics, stability and energy range (60 220 MeV)





- ESA collaboration: SEU studies at high e- energy for JUICE mission, initial tests
- Campaigns with TRAD and IROC (ESA sub-contractors)
- Extension to higher fluxes, destructive SEE



Medical irradiation tests - VHEE

50 MeV



VHEE

 Rapid advances in compact highgradient (~ 100 MV/m) accelerator technology in recent years

- CLIC
- NLC
- W-band*

Superior dose deposition properties compared to MV photons

- High dose-reach in tissue
- High dose rate (compared to photons)
- More reliable beam delivery around inhomogeneous media

Manchester University: A. Lagzda, R. Jones and other

- Project to characterize VHEE irradiation on radiosensitive films

Better sparing of surrounding healthy tissue

Particle steering

V. Dolgashev, HG2016

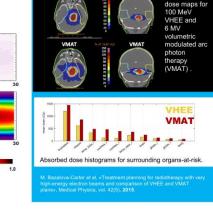
bose maps of narrow () VHEE beams in water

Dose maps of wide () VHEE beams in water Clinical studies by M. Bazalova-Carter et al. (2015) have compared 100 MeV VHEE with conventional (and MV) VMAT (Volumetric Modulated Arc Therapy) photon radiotherapy plans

Brain tumou

Pediatric brain tumour, lung and prostate cases

VHEE therapy plan showed a decrease of dos up to 70% in surrounding organs-at-risk (OARs VHEE plan was found to be more conformal than VMAT plan



Initial interest: Manchester Univ. (A. Langzda, R. Jones)

• Three measurements campaigns (2017-2018)

Further requests from:

Nat. Phys. Lab. UK (A. Subiel et al.)

• Two measurement campaigns (end 2018, spring 2019)

Strathclyde University (K. Kokurewicz et al.)

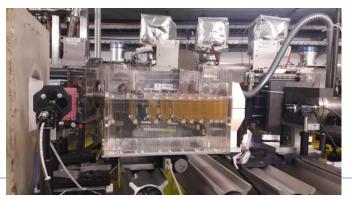
• One campaign completed (end 2018)

Oldenburg University and PTW (B. Poppe, D. Poppinga et al.)

• Two campaigns completed (end 2018, September 2019)

CHUV Lausanne (M.C. Vozenin, C. Bailat, R. Moeckli et al.)

• Preliminary tests (end 2018, spring 2019)



Relative Insensitivity to Inhomogeneities on Very High Energy Electron Dose Distributions

IPAC 2017 Proceedings • May 19, 2017

Agnese Lagzda, R.M. Jones, D. Angal-Kalinin, J. Jones, A. Aitkenhead, K. Kirkby, R. MacKay, M. van Herk, W. Farabolini, S. Zeeshan

Very-High Energy Electron (VHEE) Studies at CERN's CLEAR User Facility

IPAC 2018 Proceedings • 2018

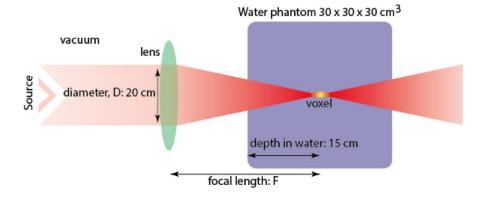
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Activities:

- Experimental verification of dose deposition profiles in water phantoms
- Calibration of operational medical dosimeters nonlinear effects with short pulses
- Demonstration of "Bragg-like peak" deposition with focused beams



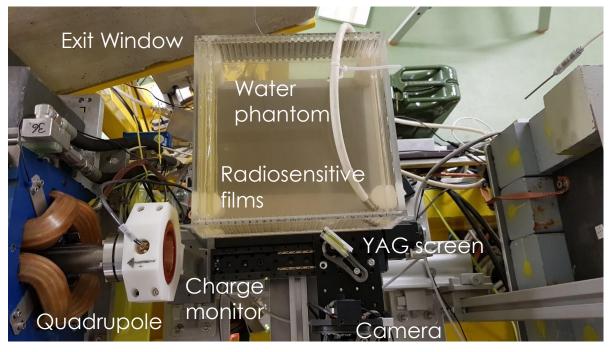




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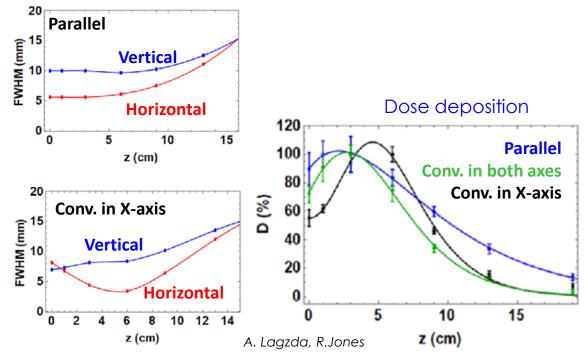
Focus the beam on the tumour to minimize the dose on the nearby healthy tissues

- Main activity in October 2019
- Two groups (Strathclyde and Manchester) Two full week of testing (plus installation and dismounting)
- Required rearrangement of beamline, with a temporary dump.

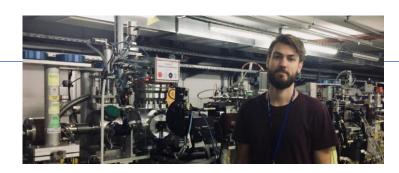


W. Farabolini, E. Senes, K. Kokurevicz

Beam size









Experiments/Activities in 2019

(Possibly not a complete list)

- JUAS Practical Work Days
- NPL Irradiation/dosimetry
- CHUV FLASH dosimetry
- AWAKE Cherenkov BPM
- CLIC Wake-Field Monitors
- EOS bunch length monitor
- Inductive BPMs

- CLIC Structure wake-field kicks
- THz Smith-Purcell radiation
- THz high power generation/bunch length monitoring
- Ionization chambers dosimetry (Oldenburg U. /PTW)
- R2E Irradiation studies SEU-SEE
- R2E ESA monitor flash

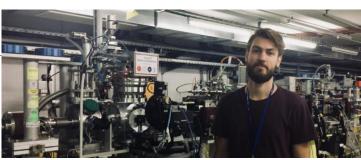
- R2E displacement damage
- Plasma Lens (Oslo, DESY, Oxford U.)
- VHEE radiobiology/plasmid irradiation (Manchester U.)
- AWAKE spectrometer calibration
- Cryogel radiation length evaluation (FCC detectors R&D)
- Cherenkov X-ray pre-tests (Belgorod)
- RP measurements/neutrons
- Double-bunch generation
- High Charge bunch compression

- Irradiation of DCDC converters for detectors (EP/ESE group)
- IRRAD Beam Profile Monitors prototype tests
- WSM-BPR diagnostics tests
- Cherenkov Plasmonic



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CLEAR operation & experimental program in 2020

- Started operation end-February, stopped with lockdown mid-March
- Resumed operation end of May
- Short shutdown in August photocathode renewal and manpower availability
- Had received 24 formal requests for beam time for 2020
- About 15 completed or under way at present
- A couple of other informal requests being followed up
- Limited until now to CERN users

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2442530 (v.1) 41-Test of OTR and YAG screens exposed to Rubidium vapour





New experiments – examples



Mask Sterilization

STAR DOME

IRRADIATION WITH Co-60



Ionizing radiation sterilization

STAR DOME

(STerilizzAzione e Riutilizzo di DispOsitivi e Mascherine Ecosostenibili per Covid-19)

STAR DOME. A proposal to Lombardy region

- (Capofila), GAMMATOM s.r.l. (a company near Como performing industrial irradiation
- M3R s.r.l. (a spin-off company of University Milano Bicocca having access to the microbiology laboratory of the Polytechnic of Milan,
- Solving the following problem · Billions of facial masks needed per month worldwide
- Up to 24 PPE/day/patient needed in hospitals (source ECDC) production & distribution issues
- Most PPE are single use, made with of non-recyclable material and after use potentially contaminated with bacterial and viral patogens Logistics and environmental problem



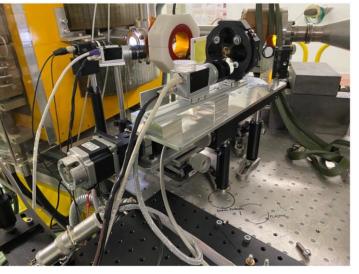


Figure 4. Experimental location at CLEAR for the irradiation tests of the PPE.



Sample	Af (600nm)	Af-Ai	k	Dose (kGy)
reference	0.18	0	0.000	FILM
1	0.462	0.282	6.635	3.8
2	0.444	0.264	6.212	3.6
3	0.458	0.278	6.541	3.7
4	0.454	0.274	6.447	3.7
BG 1	0.277	0.097	2.282	1.6
BG 2	0.280	0.1	2.353	1.6
BG 3	0.280	0.1	2.353	1.6



- NUCLEAR DETECTION INNOVATION s.r.l.
- of medical equipment, food, etc),
- CERN HSE-RP. CLEAR
- University of Brescia

Verification of mechanical and filtration integrity of PPE

 Irradiation at different doses Microbiological analysis post-irradiation

Microbiological analysis of PPE pre-irradiation

CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research With STAR DOME we already have the embryo of a larger consortium in which CERN can be full partner

STERILIZATION WITH ELECTRON BEAMS



- First irradiation test in CLEAR •
- Next steps:
 - Irradiation optimization
 - BFE (bacterial filtration efficiency) tests likely by CERN
 - Sterilization tests with University Bicocca Milan



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• LHCb Photonic Crystal Experiments

Potential beam test experiments of novel LHCb RICH radiator materials





Experiment Request Form

A. REQUESTER DETAILS

Principal Investigator:	Michele Piero Blago
Institution:	CERN; University of Cambridge
Contact Information (phone/email):	
Experiment Members:	Sajan Easo, Carmelo D'Ambrosio, Giovanni Cavallero
Collaborating Institutions:	CERN
Funding Source (optional)	
Approximate Duration:	1 day_

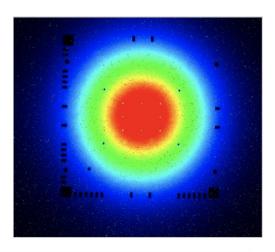
B. EXPERIMENT DESCRIPTION

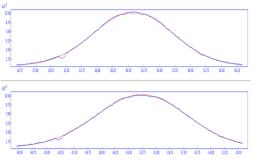
1. Scientific justification (one paragraph)

Test of the effect of irradiation on a polymer photonic crystal. That is to prepare for a more sophistaced beam test at CLEAR at a later stage.

2. Experiment short description and goals (max 1 page)

The polymer photonic crystal strip should be irradiated with varying exposure times. Each exposure time session should hit a separate part of the crystal sheet. For that purpose the photonic crystal may be placed on a translation stage and moved between irradiations. The irradiation times should ideally spread between 1 s and 1000 s (e.g. 1 s; 10 s; 100 s; 1000 s) and the accumulated charge measured for each irradiation step.

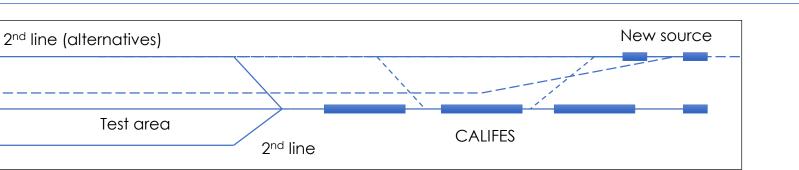




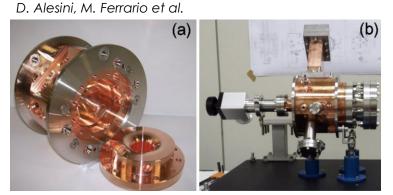
High dose irradiation – about 100 μ C delivered in less than 15 minutes and 1 mC delivered in about 2 hours

(15 nC/pulse at 10 Hz)

Options for a second beam line + source



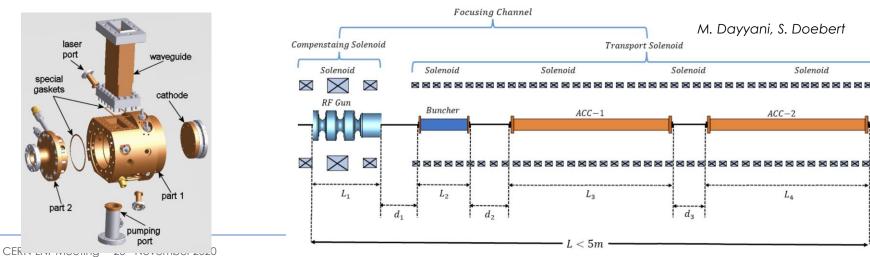
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New Source common development CLEAR/AWAKE

- RF gun provided by INFN-Frascati
- S-band gun + X-band high gradient acceleration validated by simulations
- Most hardware existing



Parameter	Nominal Value	Size	
Total Length	< 5 m	4 m	
Beam Energy	220 > 60 <i>MeV</i>	100 MeV	
Energy Spread	< 1 %	0.45 %	
Bunch Charge	100 p <i>C</i>	100 pC	
RMS Bunch Length	< 100 fs	81 <i>fs</i>	
Emittance	< 10 µm	0.6 μ	





- Now we have finally a longer horizon, 5 years and more
- Need to re-evaluate the experimental program and the available resources:
 - Will held a CLEAR advisory committee meeting soon (early 2021?)
- Short term (winter shut-down 2020/2021 and during 2021)
 - Consolidation for extended running (5y or more) laser, RF, controls, ...
 - Repair, conditioning and connection of X-box1
 - Design and prepare for installation of a new (simple) beam-line
- Long term
 - New source it will be developed, tested and commissioned in CTF2 hall
 - May be installed in CLEAR from 2022
 - New AWAKE timeline requires new source in 2026 no potential conflict





- X-band beam tests (wake-field monitors, ...)
- Plasma (lenses, acceleration in capillaries? diagnostics? link with AWAKE N.B.: collaboration with Oslo and others)
- THz radiation dielectric structures (paused for now in CLEAR)
- General beam diagnostics R&D
- Suggestions?







- The CLEAR facility provides access to high quality e- beams to a wide community of users, with high availability and easy access
- The 2020 experimental run is being completed, with only relatively partial disruption by the Covid crisis
- Beam parameters and experimental infrastructure have been improved, and keep improving, since the facility start-up in 2017
- CLIC related activities are still playing a large role in CLEAR, and can be further extended with the connection to X-BOX1
- Beam time requests are increasing, further extending the scope of the facility
- CLEAR running has been de-facto extended at least to 2025, the longer time span implies a consolidation of the facility hardware, and gives the opportunity for a proper planning of upgrades

The CLEAR team warmly welcomes further opportunities for collaboration with INFN-Frascati!





Thanks for your attention!











Many activities planned (most ongoing)

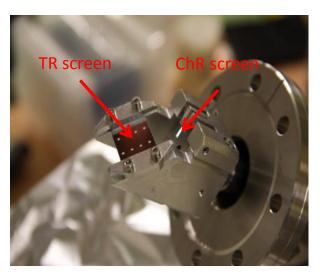
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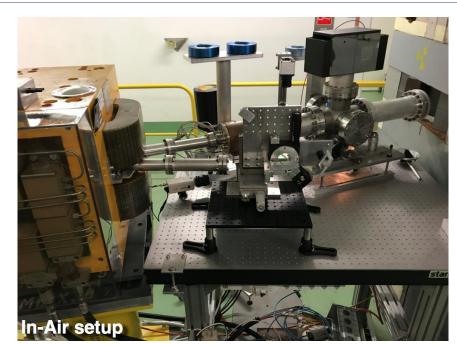
- 1) Consolidate and improve beam instrumentation for CLEAR
- 2) Diagnostics R&D
- Diffraction Cherenkov radiation
- Electro-Optical monitors

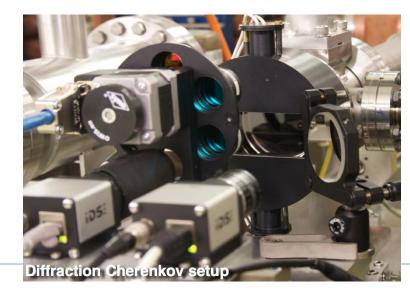
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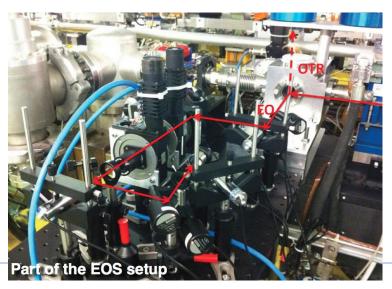
Collaboration at CERN with BE/BI group and several external collaborators

Direct applications to CERN accelerator complex & potential for future applications









Medical irradiation tests – FLASH therapy clear

Fast (<100ms) delivery of high dose (>10 Gy) radiation seems to retain the same effect on the tumoral tissue of similar integrated doses delivered with the standard fractional method, minimizing at the same time the impact on healthy tissues.

- Such dose rates are not easily achievable with protons or X-rays ٠
- Tests with low energy electrons done by CHUV Lausanne
- Energies in the 50-200 MeV range allow cure of deep seated tumours

RADIATION TOXICITY

Ultrahigh dose-rate FLASH irradiation increases the differential response between normal and tumor tissue in mice

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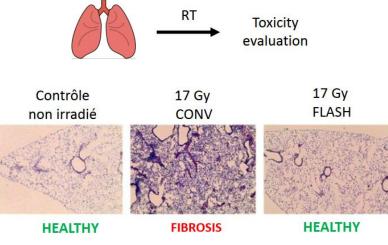
\rightarrow use of e-beams

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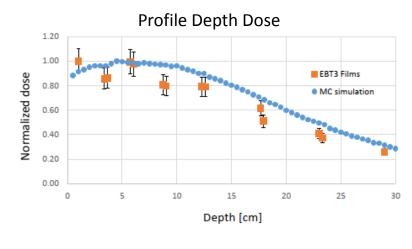
Preliminary tests in CLEAR in collaboration with CHUV in December 2018:

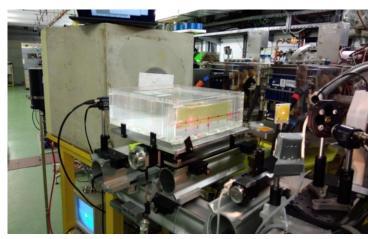
- Calibration .
- Profile Depth Dose
- Feasibility of biological dosimeters irradiation ٠

New measurements in March 2019 – using biological dosimeters



Pierre Montay-Gruel





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FLASH dosimetry



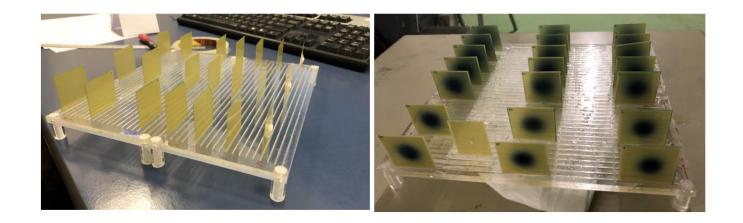
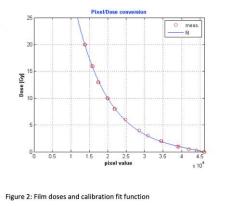
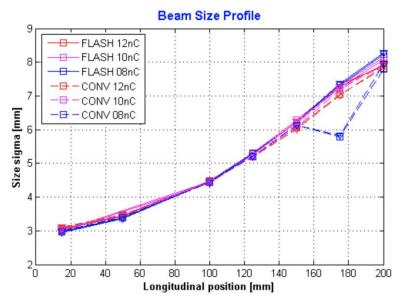
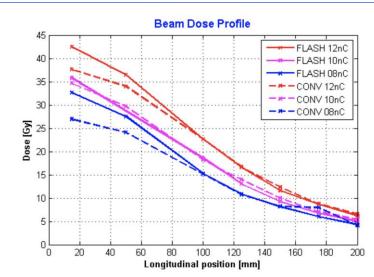


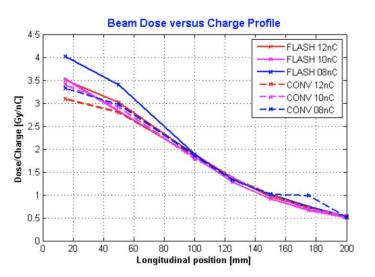


Figure 1: Calibration films with corresponding doses in Gy









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- First tests in sub-THz region, demonstrated use as bunch length ٠ diagnostics
- Characterization of beam-produced THz radiation from TR screen • + shadowing studies, using THz camera from Univ. Roma
- Bunch length diagnostics for CLEAR ٠
 - Close to be operational Teflon conical Cherenkov diffraction radiator, 4 frequency detection bands.
- High power THz (> 1 MW) from different sources ٠
 - Tested so far: diamond, TR screens, Teflon, gratings, metamaterials ٠

Many possibilities beyond that...

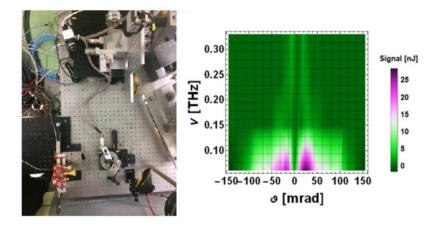
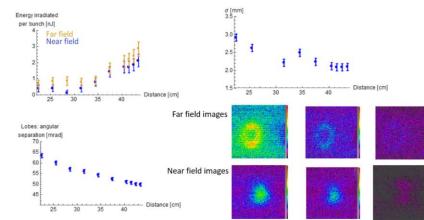


Figure 3: Left: Experimental setup for the spectral-angular characterization of CTR light. Right: Experimental results on spectral-angular characterization of the CTR light emitted by a 215 MeV, 40 pC, 1.5 ps long electron bunch. April 2018.



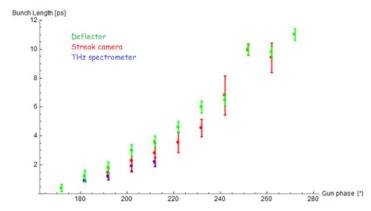


Figure 2: Bunch length measurement with different techniques/detectors. The bunch length compression in this case was made only by varying the gun phase, March 2018.

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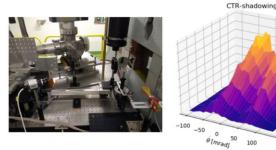
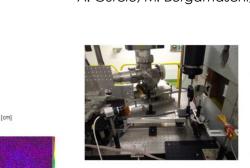


Figure 4: Left: Experimental setup for the two-screens experiment. Right: Experimental results on the electromagnetic shadowing at $\lambda = 4 \ mm$. The distance axis is understood to be the distance between the two CTR screens, May 2018.



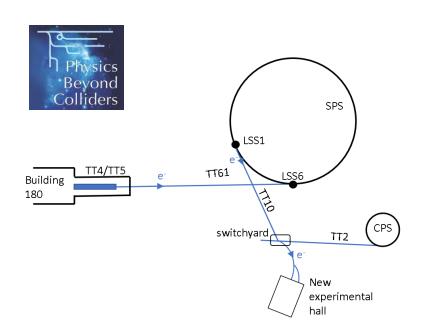






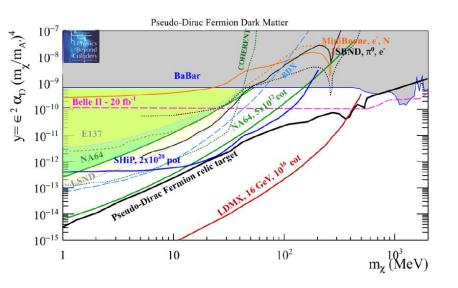
Accelerator implementation of e-beams at CERN for physics – Light Dark Matter search

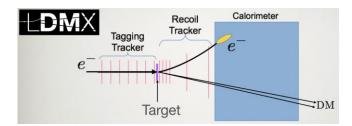
- 70 m long X-band based linac (CLIC technology) in TT4-5 accelerates e- to 3.5 GeV
- SPS filled in 1 to 2 s via TT60
- Acceleration to 16 GeV in the SPS
- Slow resonant extraction down the TT10 transfer line in \sim 10 s
- Beam delivered via the existing TT10 line to the Meyrin site
- A new, short beamline would branch from TT10 to the experimental hall (LDMX)



- Input to EU Strategy for Particle
 Physics Update
- Preparing CDR (beginning 2020)





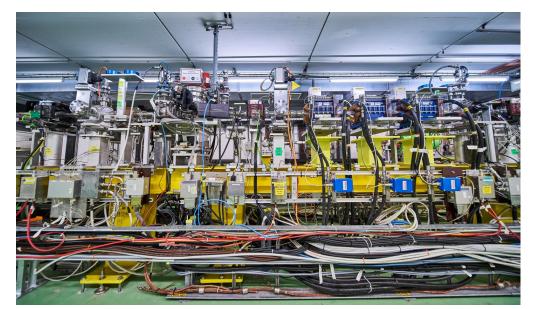


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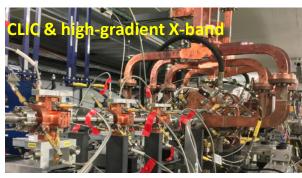
CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research

 User facility for general accelerator R&D and component studies for existing and possible future machines at CERN

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- 200 MeV, S-band electron linac
 - The 3.5 GeV Linac injector has to be be very similar to CLEAR
 → present baseline is re-use CLEAR linac
 - In-house know-how available in any case
 - 3.5 GeV Linac may be used to extend in a significant way the present CLEAR program – by sharing beam time with e-SPS

Relevance in different areas



The 3.5 GeV linac itself is a perfect showcase for the technology. Dedicated tests.



A 3.5 GeV, better quality beam will extend the R&D scope dramatically (e.g., for diffraction radiations studies, high-res BPMs).

Potentially important options: single bunch capability, two independent-timing sources, positrons?

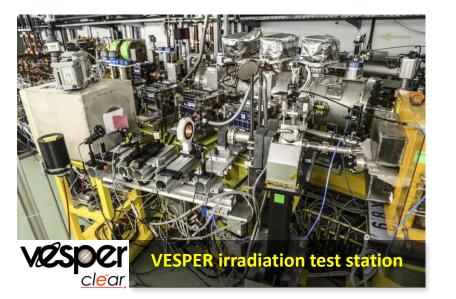
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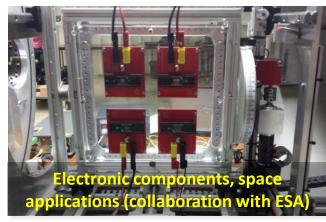


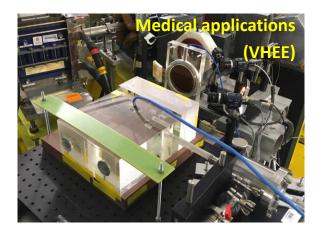


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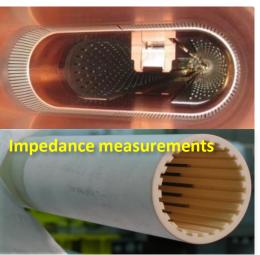






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Potential of higher energy reach unclear. Continuation of present program (intermediate stations along the linac) desirable.



Impedance measurements in time domain (wake-fields) may reach higher precision with a 3.5 GeV beam.

An electron test beam:

- Electron beams can also be used for detector tests of course 200 MeV in CLEAR low, but 3-15 GeV interesting repetition rates can be very high
- A good example of a successful facility is the LNF BTF up to 750 MeV (BTF: Beam Test Facility - see recent summary (<u>link</u>)
 - Used 200day/year, 25-30 groups, 150-200 users
 - Examples of use: calorimeter studies, diamond detector studies, calibration systems, air shower plasma, etc
- DESY another example, several e-beams up to ~6 GeV (<u>recent workshop</u>) very much used