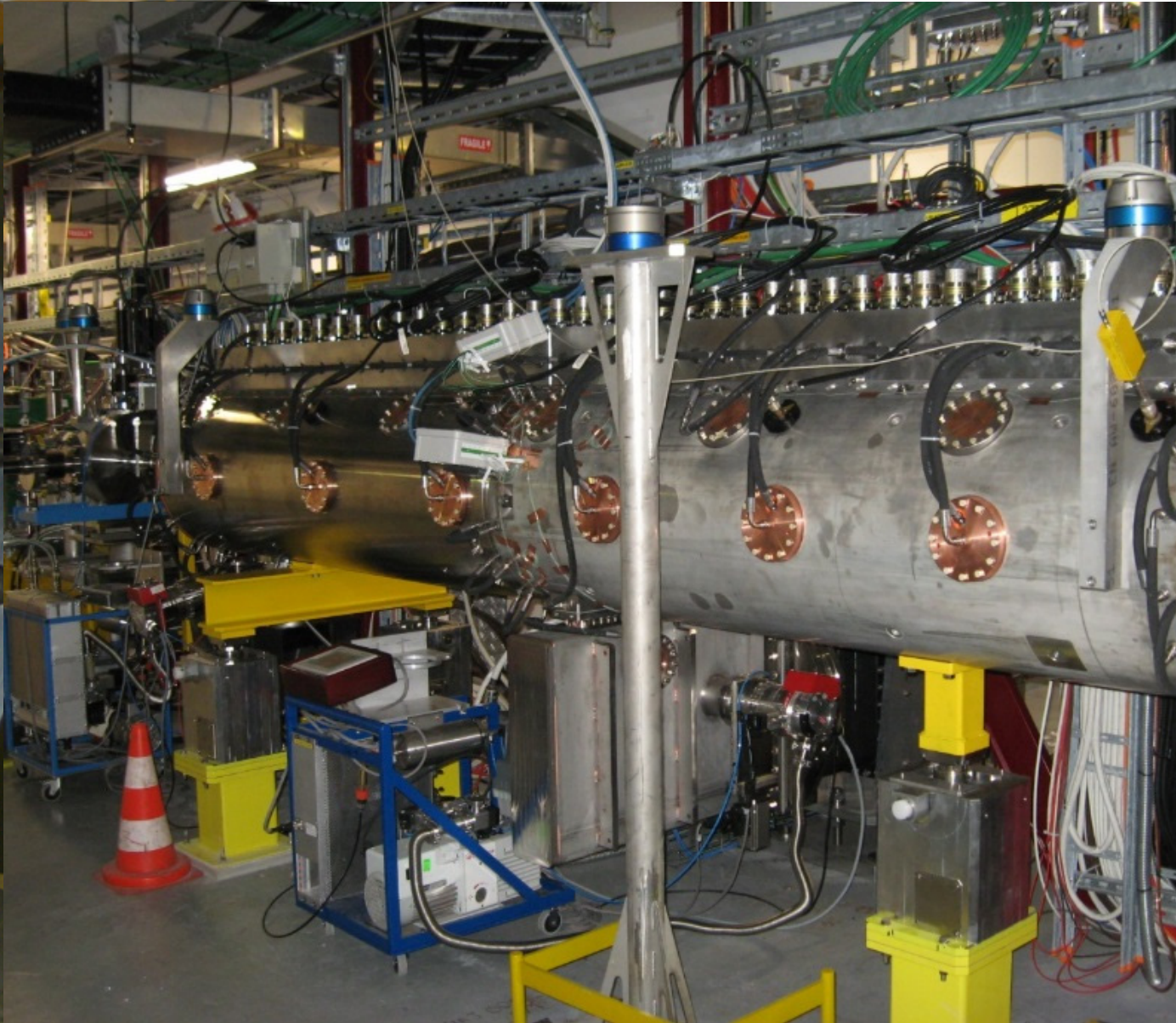
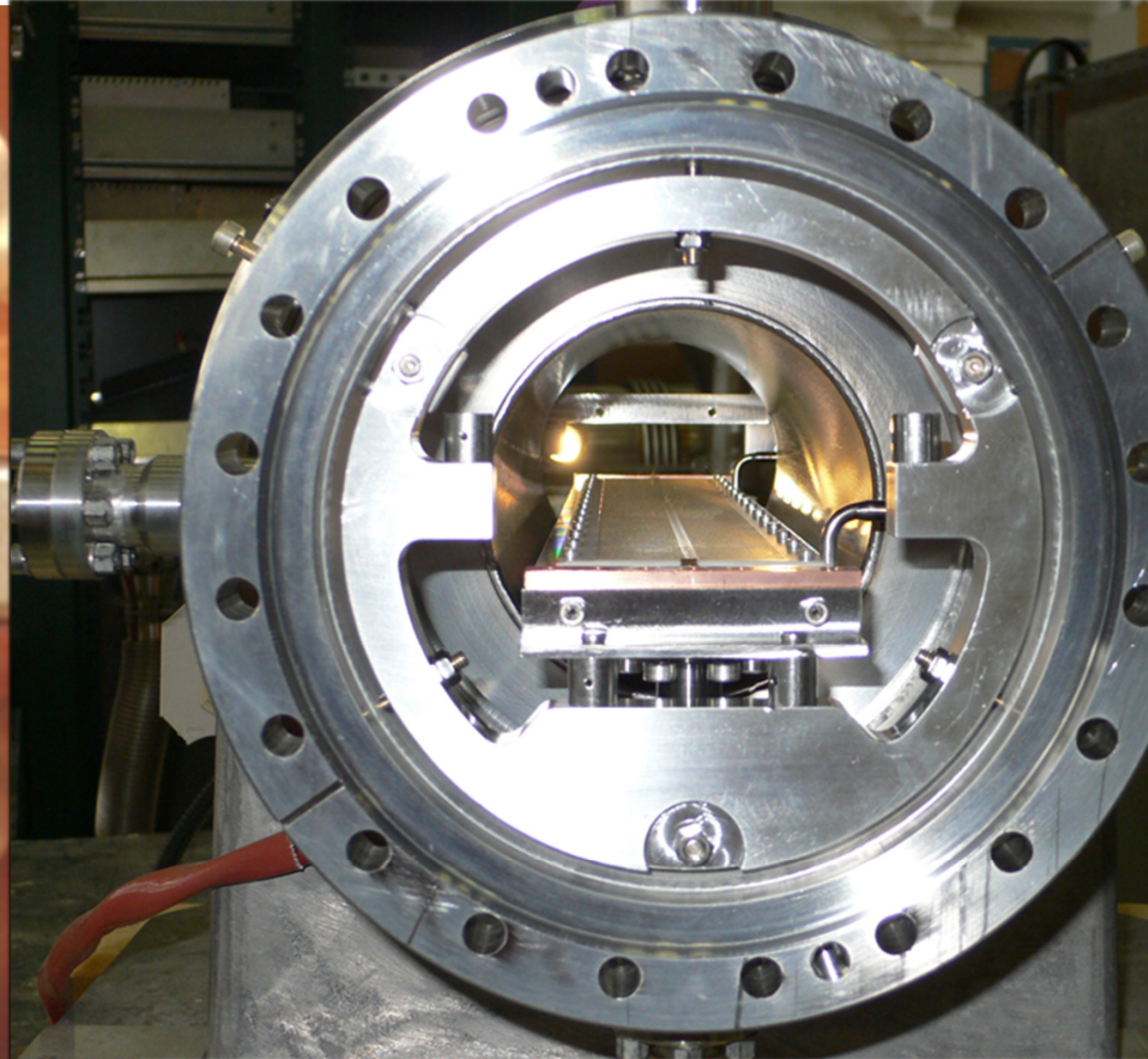
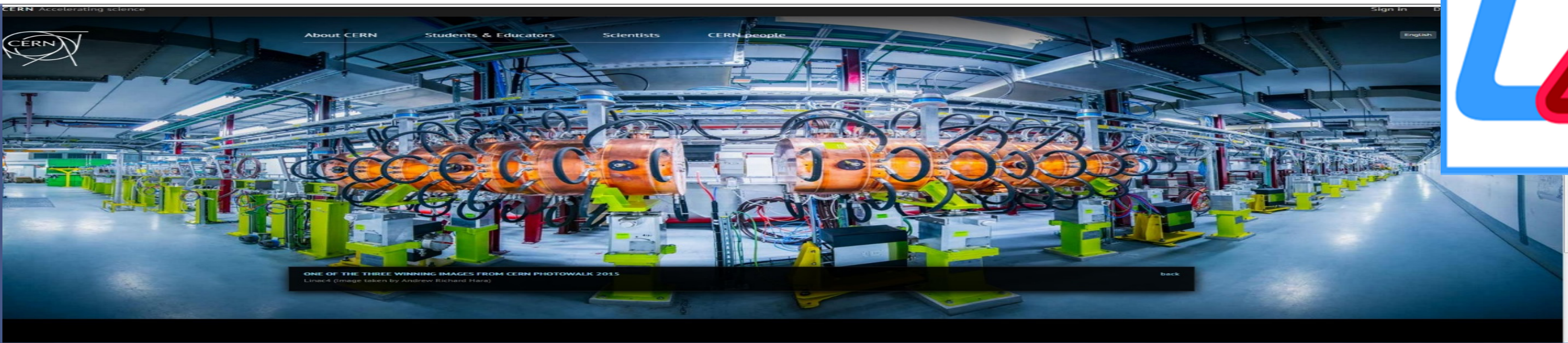
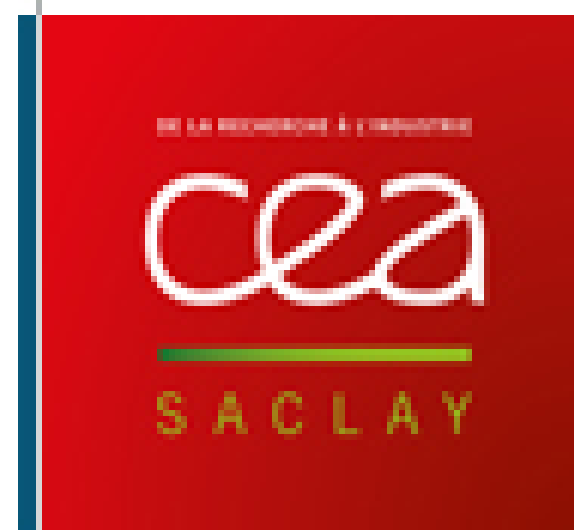




Linac4: From Initial Design to Final Commissioning

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PS/RF/Note 96-27
25 October 1996

PROPOSAL FOR A 2 GEV LINAC INJECTOR
FOR THE CERN PS

R. Garoby, M. Vretenar

CERN/PS 99-064 (RF)

STATUS OF THE PROPOSAL FOR A SUPERCONDUCTING PROTON LINAC
AT CERN

R. Garoby, M. Vretenar

CERN-AB-2006-084 ABP/RF

Linac4 Technical Design Report

1-Proposals from 1996 to 2006

In its June 2007 session the CERN Council has approved the White Paper "Scientific Activities and Budget Estimates for 2007 and Provisional Projections for the Years 2008-2010 and Perspectives for Long-Term", which includes **construction of a 160 MeV H- linear accelerator called LINAC4**, and the study of a 5GeV, high beam power, superconducting proton Linac (SPL).

2-Decision in 2007 R. Aymar director general



3-Ground Breaking ceremony : 16 October 2008



4-Inauguration : 9 May 2017

The big picture : LHC Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\gamma}{4\pi} \times f_r \times \frac{F}{\beta^*} \times n_b \times N_b \frac{N_b}{\epsilon_n}$$

From optics at
Interaction point

From machine design and
limitations (e cloud)

Brightness from
Injectors : defined
at low energy



N_b number of particles per bunch
 n_b number of bunches
 f_r revolution frequency
 ϵ_n normalised emittance
 β^* beta value at Ip
 F reduction factor due to crossing angle

LHC INJECTOR CHAIN :

Linac2 (50 MeV) 1978 length 40 m

160mA , 100 μ sec , 1 Hz

Max Space Charge Tune Shift reached

↓

PS Booster (1.4 GeV) 1972 – radius 25 m

4 rings stacked

Output energy already upgraded twice

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PS (25 GeV) 1959 – radius 100 m

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SPS (450 GeV) - 1976 radius 1100 m

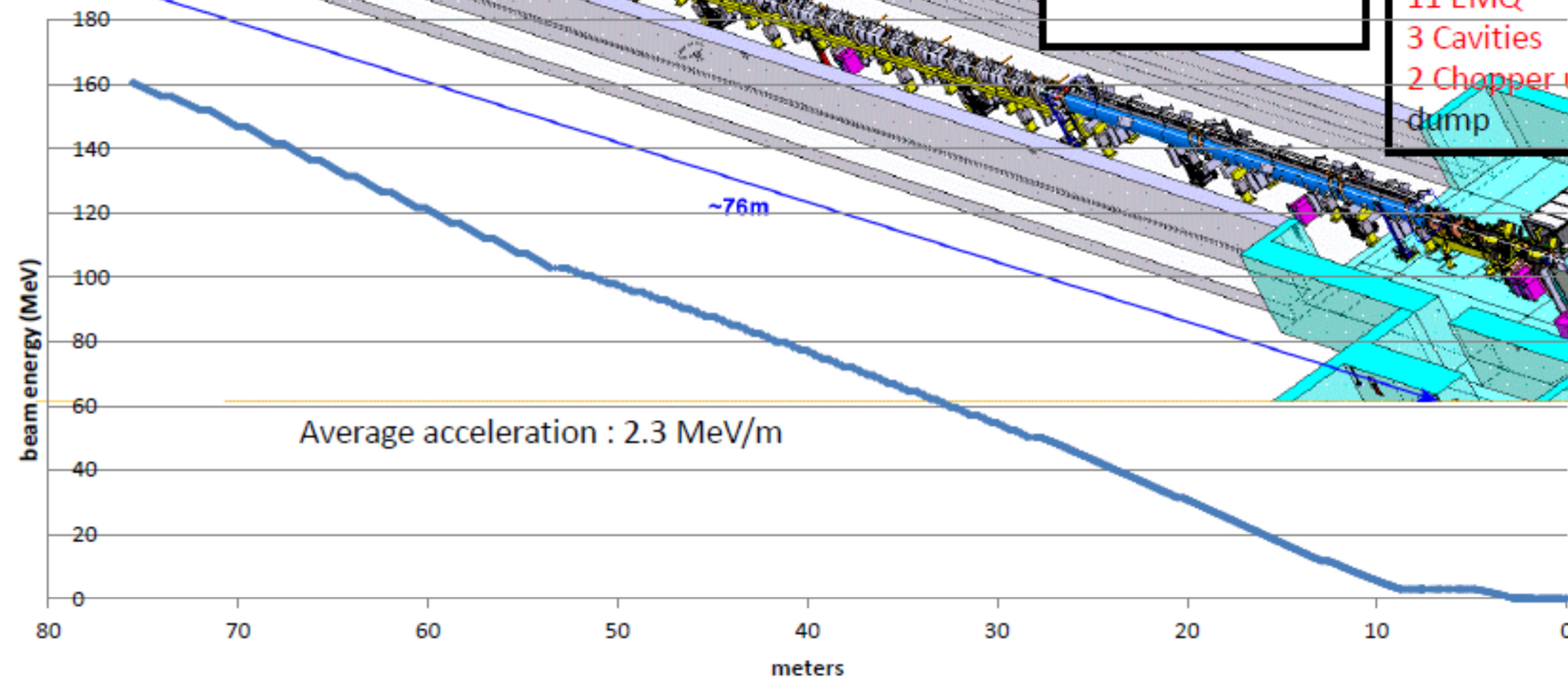
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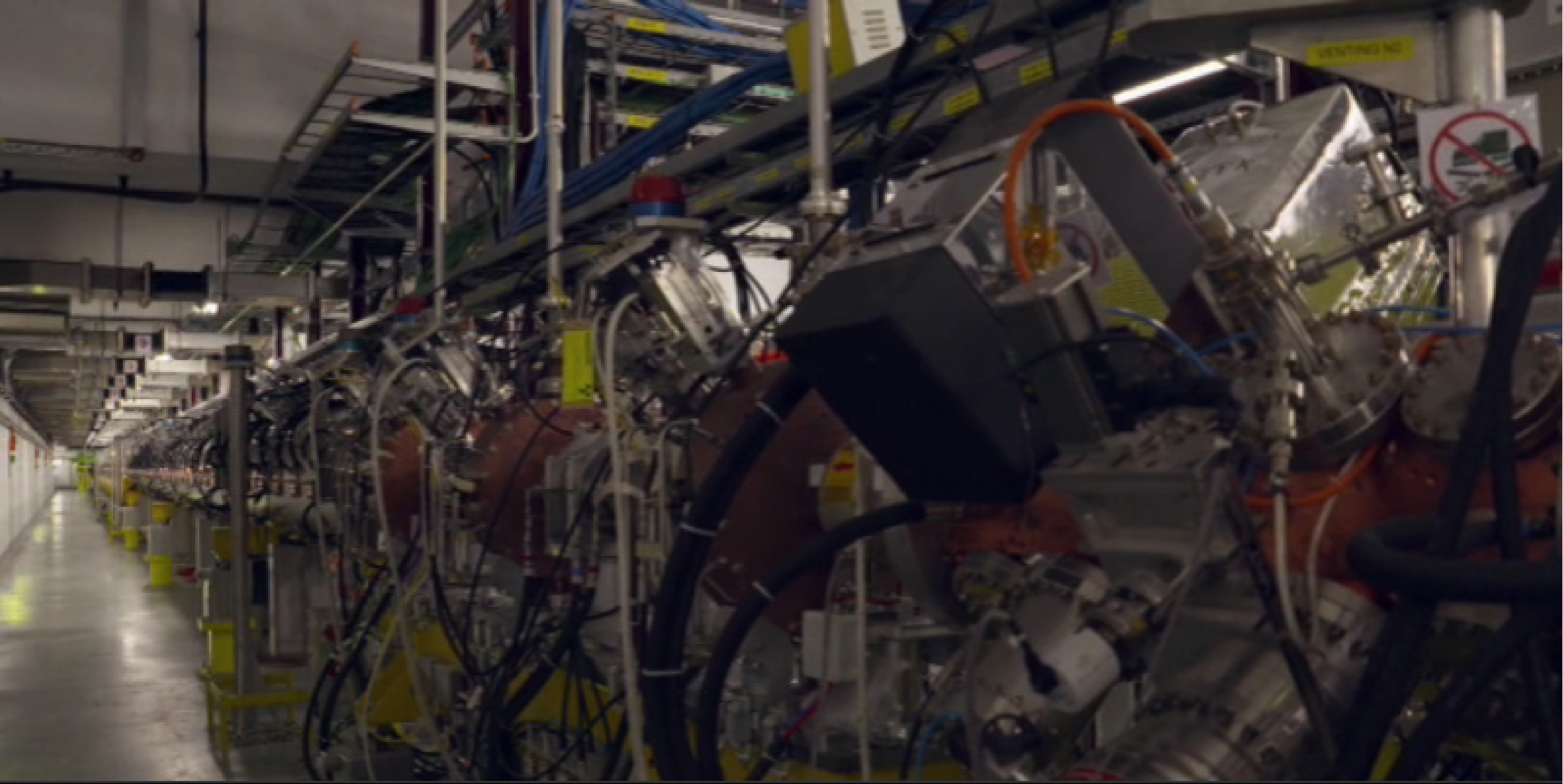
	LINAC4 – CDR -2006	LINAC4 – achieved (2016)	
*	H-	Stripping and more tested in Half Sector Test	
	70mA peak at the source 65 ma peak at 3 MeV 40 mA after chopping	50mA peak (in twice the acceptance of the RFQ) 30 mA peak at 3 MeV (record) 20 mA after chopping	Peak current from the source Average beam current after chopping (LEBT and RFQ transmission and chopping factor)
*	160 MeV	160.48 MeV	All RF structures performing to specs
	0.4 π mm mrad	0.3 π mm mrad (at 160MeV)	Smaller emittance , allows for more turns injected
	400 μ sec 1Hz (4 rings)	Up to 600 μ sec 1Hz	Longer injection in the PSB (100-150turns)
	Fast Chopping at 3 MeV 2 μ sec inj kicker rise-time	Demonstrated , including transmitted beam quality	Unprecedented flexibility, to be exploited Beam from 1 μ sec to 150 μ sec
	Energy painting with the last accelerating modules	Not yet tested	



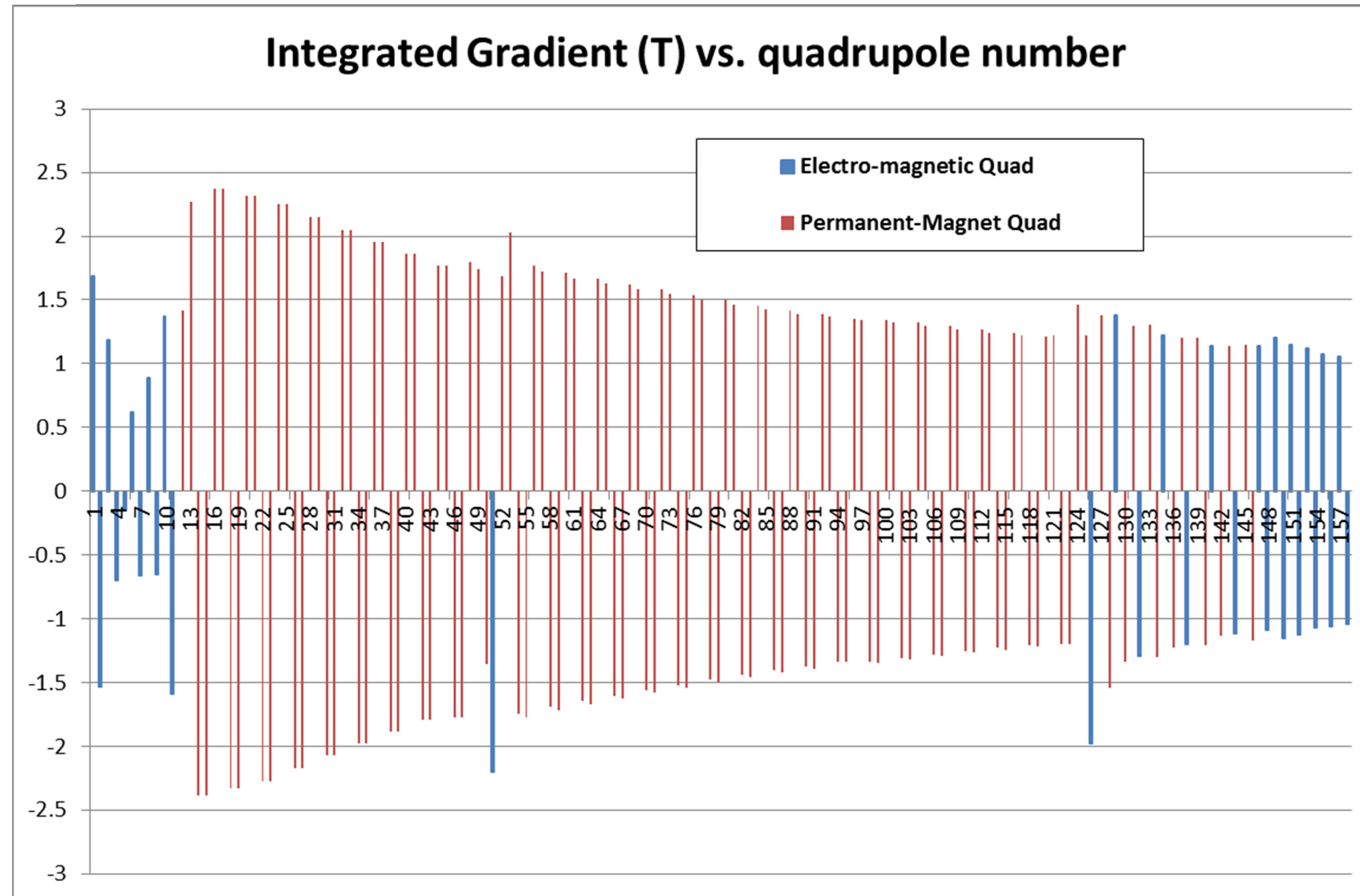
Frequency : 352 MHz
Duty cycle for PSB : 0.06 %
Max duty cycle : 5%

Located 12m underground



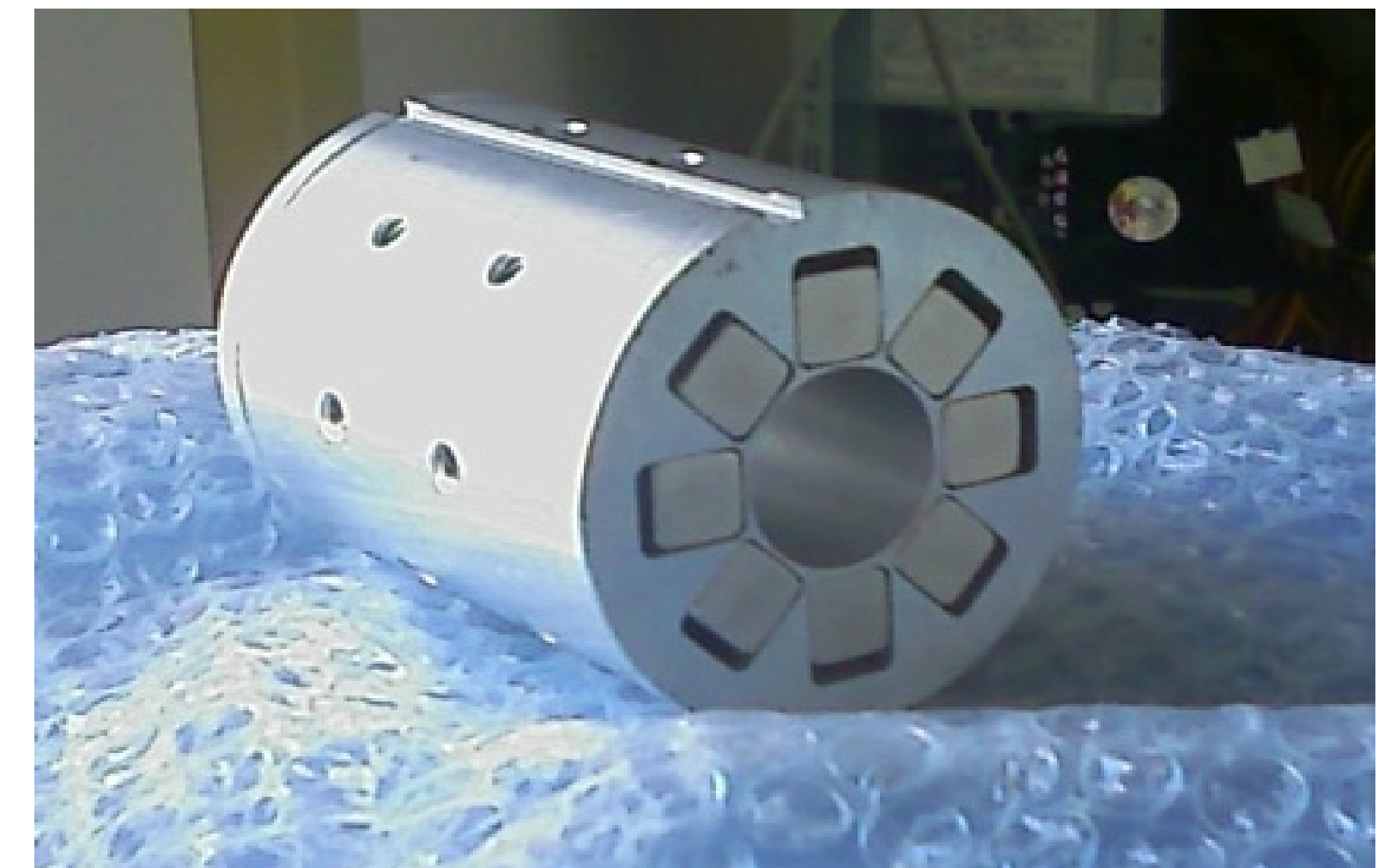


Quadrupoles :mostly PMQ (127/158)



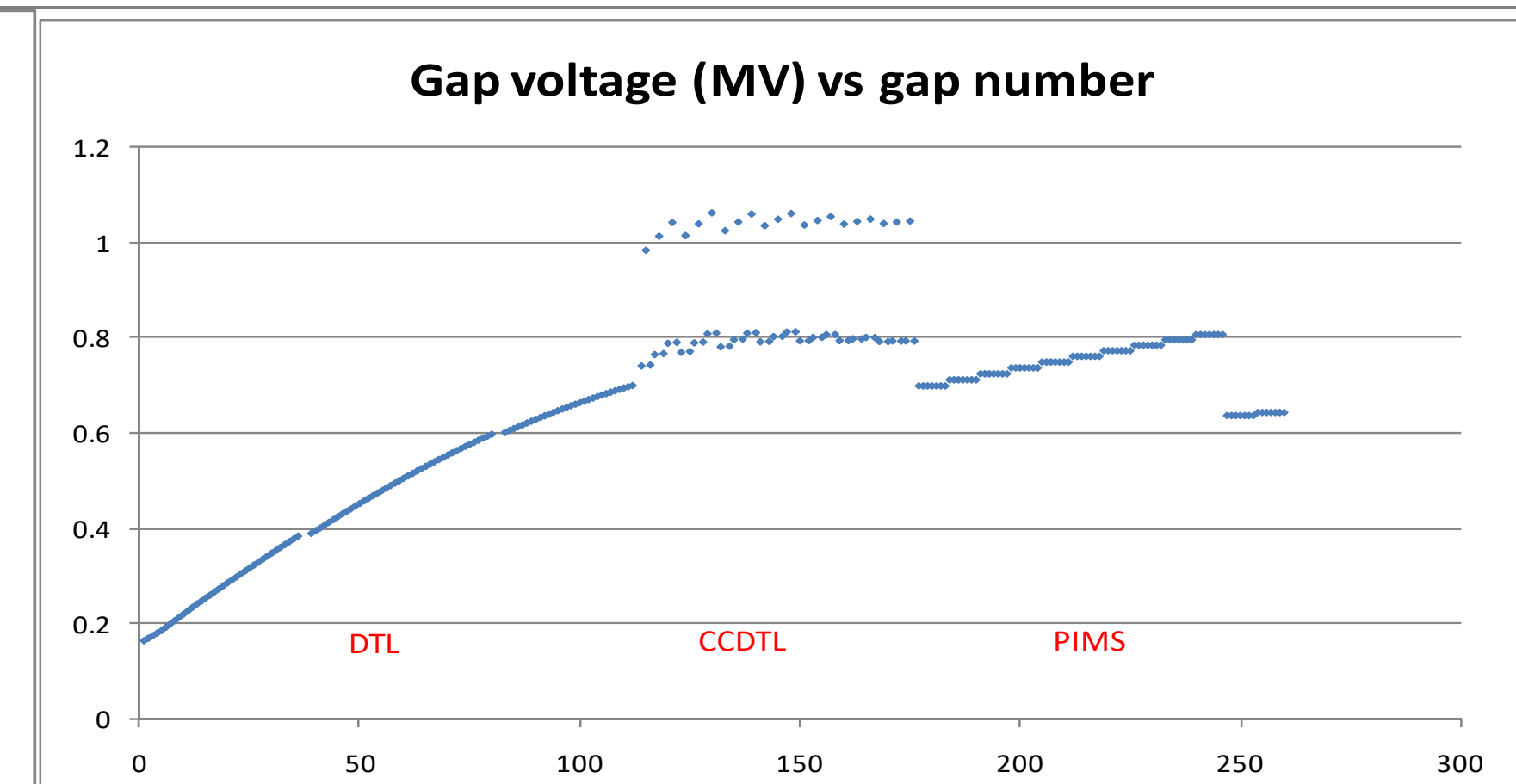
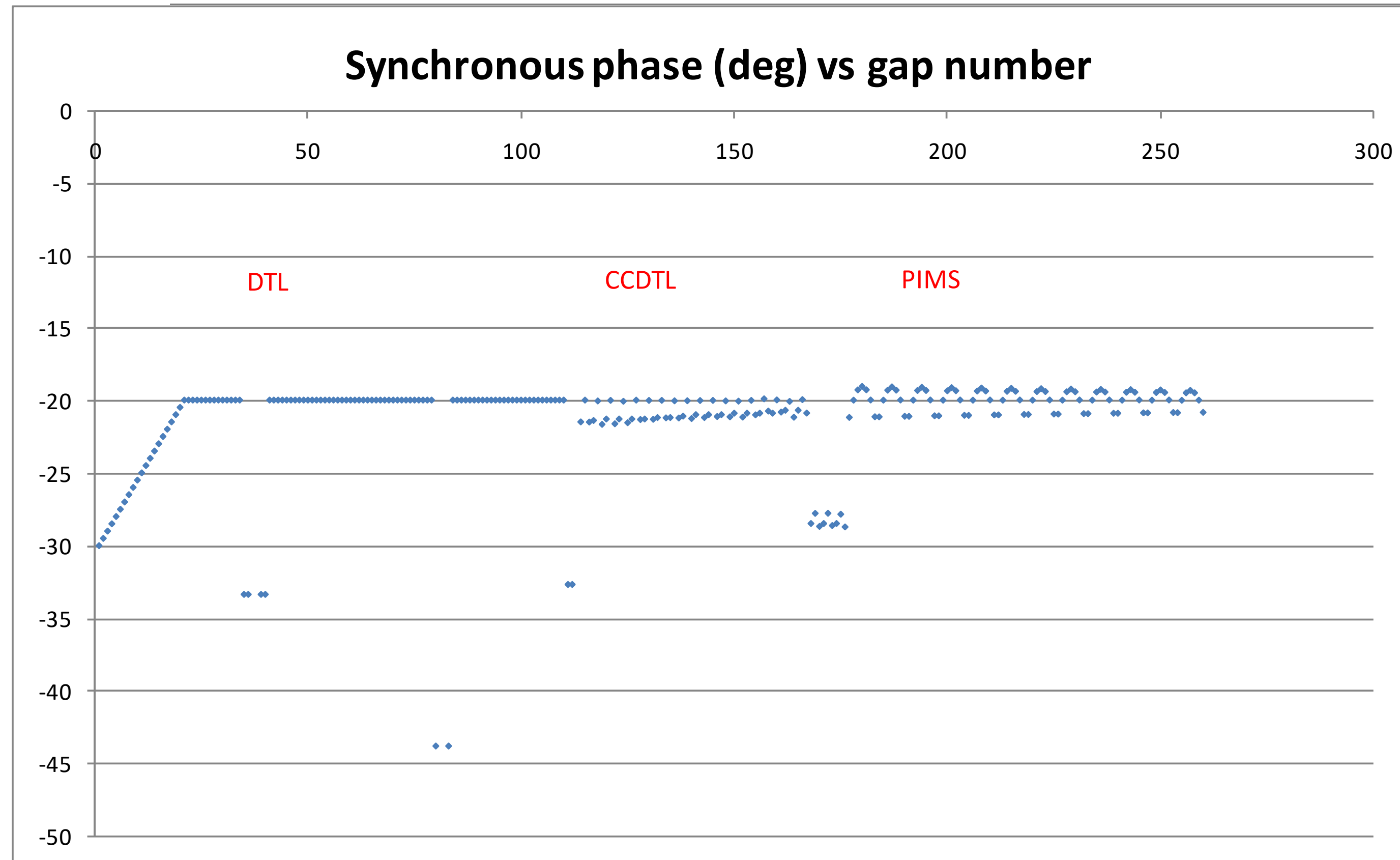
-Flexibility in matching and chopping 0-80 mA currents from the pre-injector.

-Flexibility in bringing beams with energy from 50 MeV onwards to the PSB.



PMQ for tank2 , 60 mm in diameter and 80 mm in length

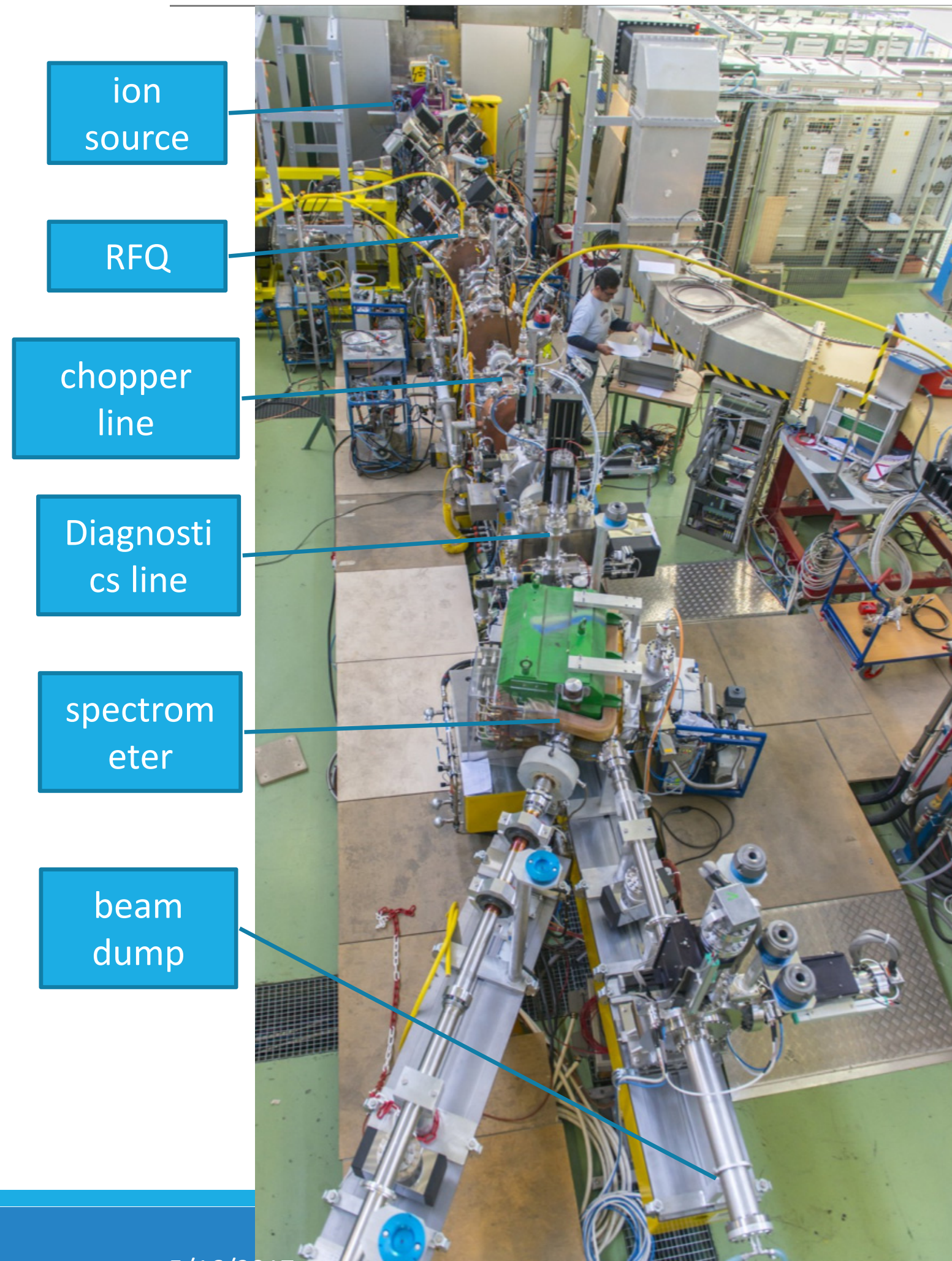
Accelerating Gaps (262) voltage and phase



Quasi-synchronous structures with external focusing from 50MeV

Sequence of 3 identical gaps from 50 to 100MeV and 7 identical gaps from 100 to 160MeV

Pre-injector –source to 3 MeV (Oct 13)

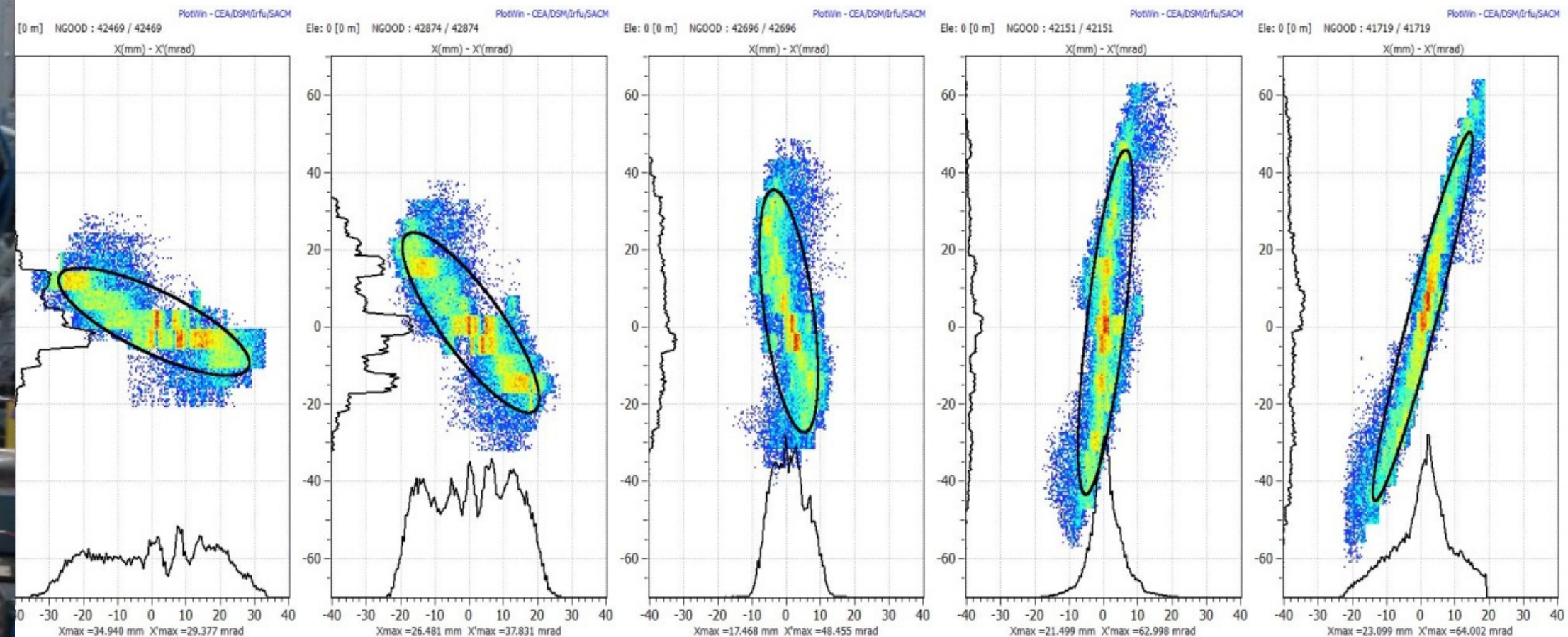


Critical part was tested in a dedicated test stand equipped with a diagnostics line including :

- 1) direct emittance measurement
- 2) bending spectrometer magnet
- 3) time-of-flight

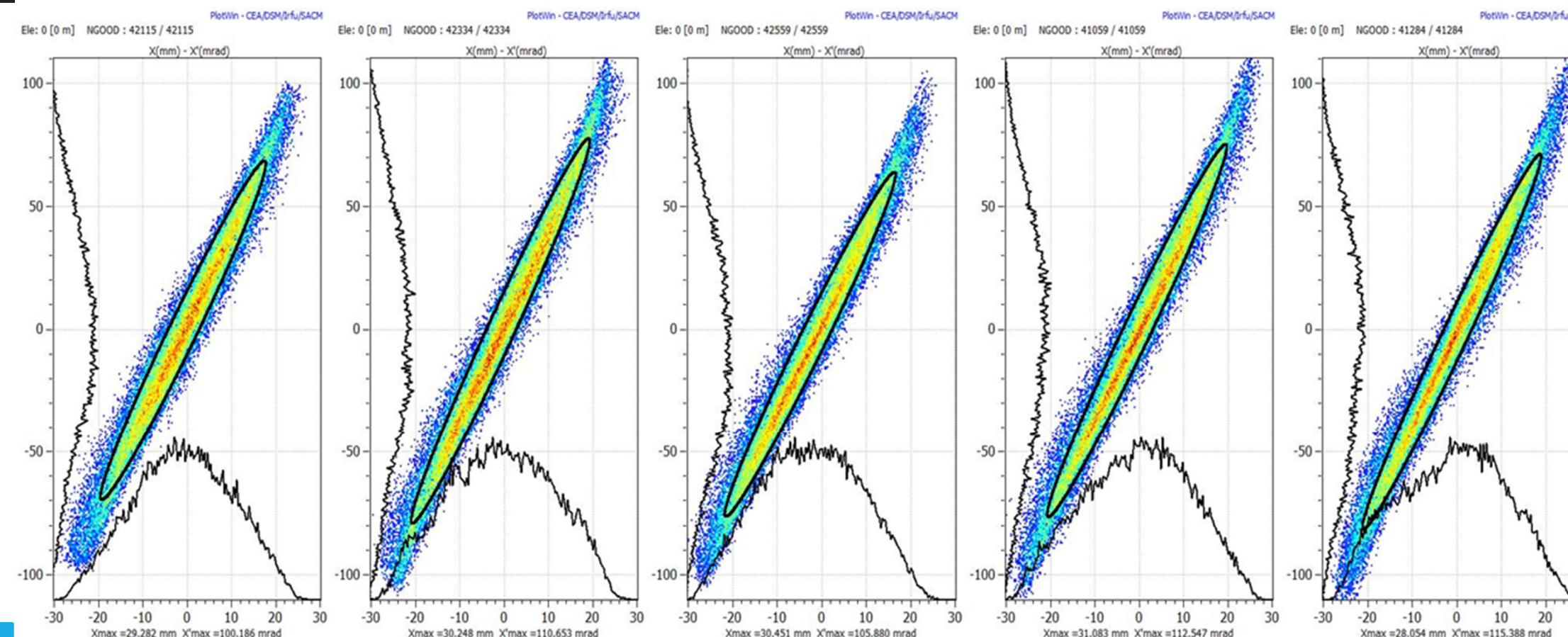
Extensive measurements at 45 keV

1- take measurements varying solenoidal field and generate in tracking code

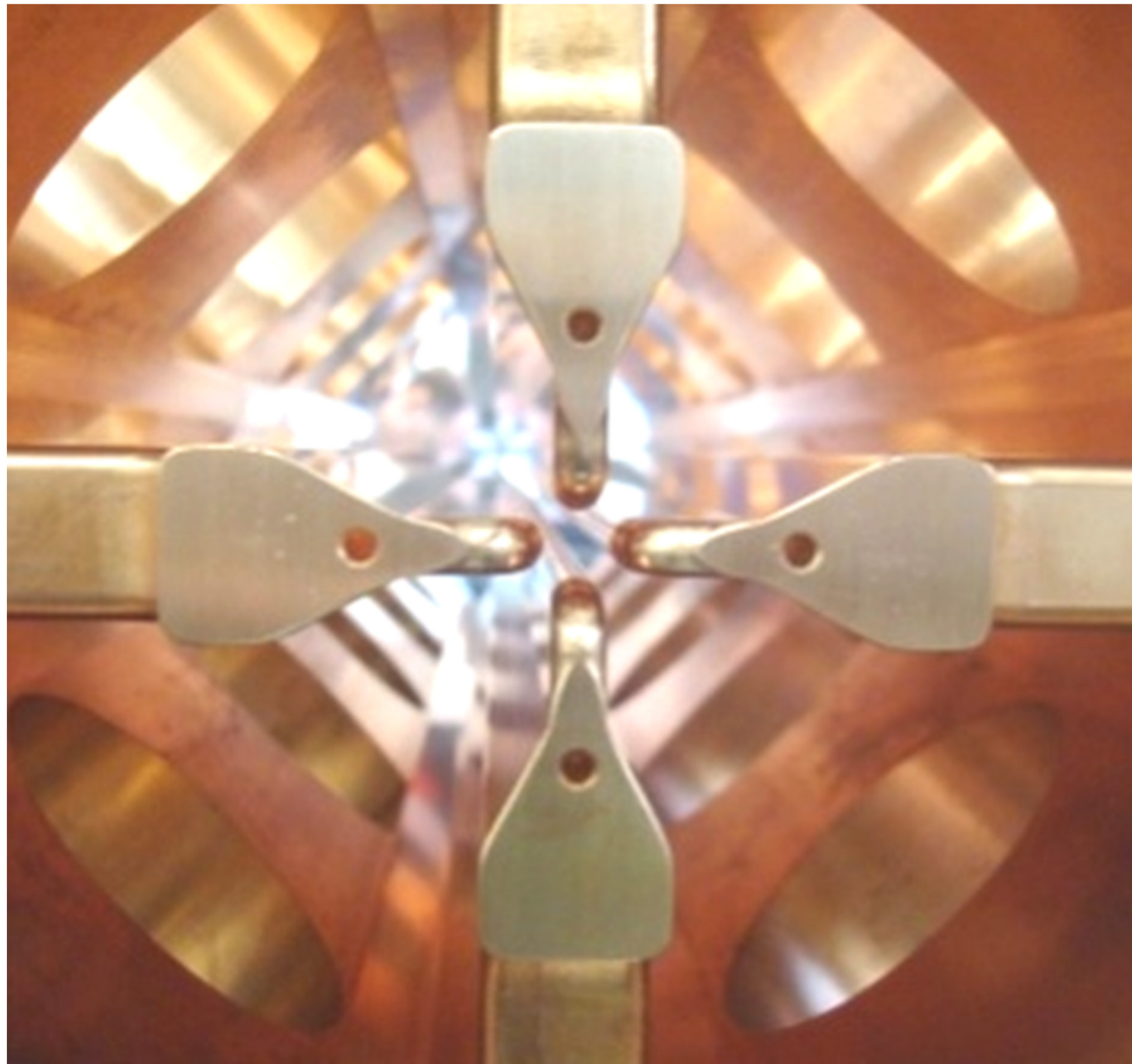


2 – back-trace to source out

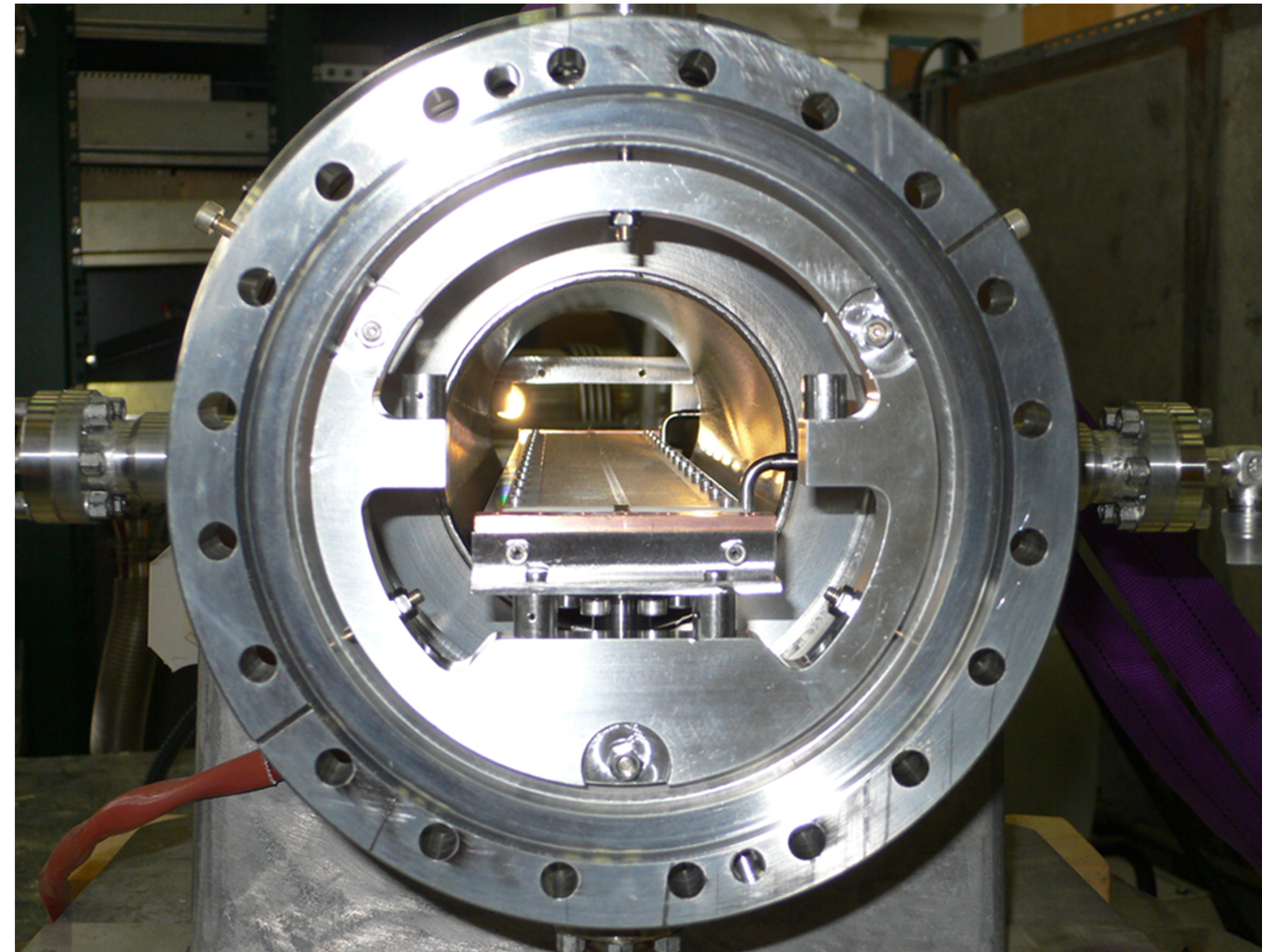
3 - Result : we have an empirical input beam distribution that very well represents the dynamics in the LEBT and the rest of the accelerator.



Pre-injector



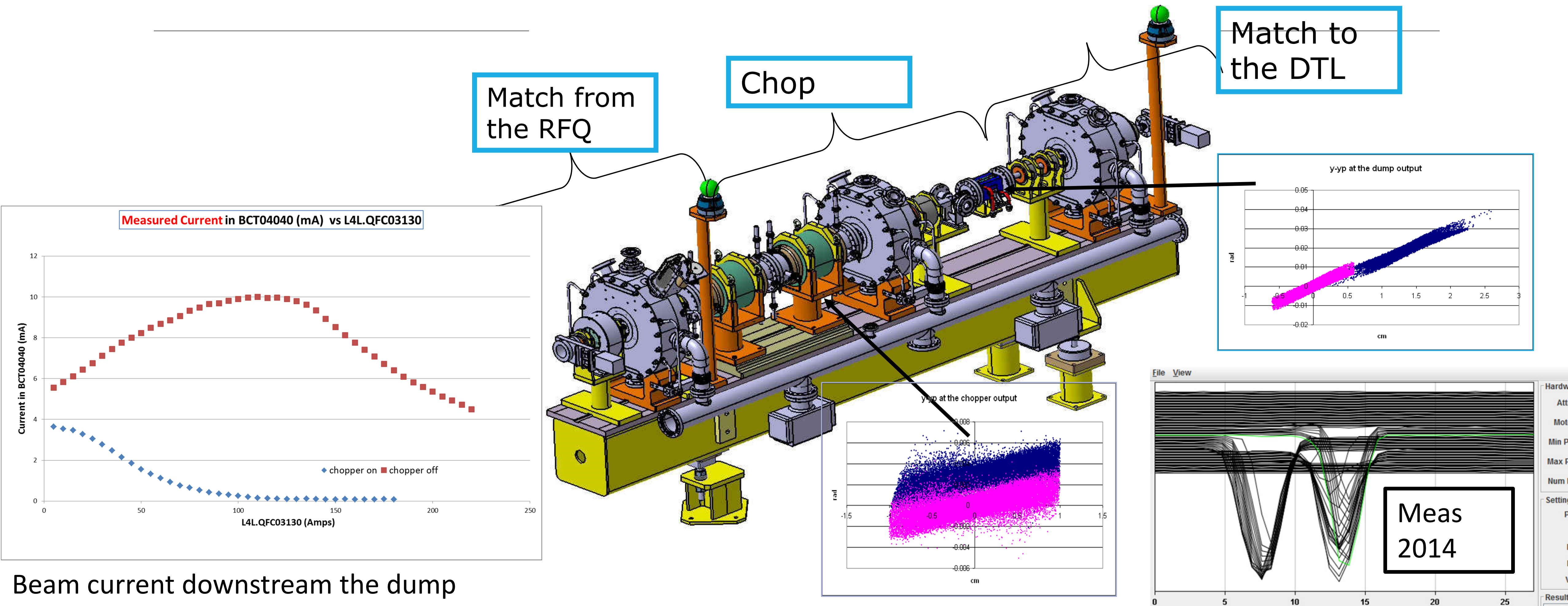
3 MeV/ 352 MHz/ 3 m long RFQ
Commissioned with beam 2013



Fast chopper, functionality validated 2013
Risetime<10nsec/ extinguish factor 100%

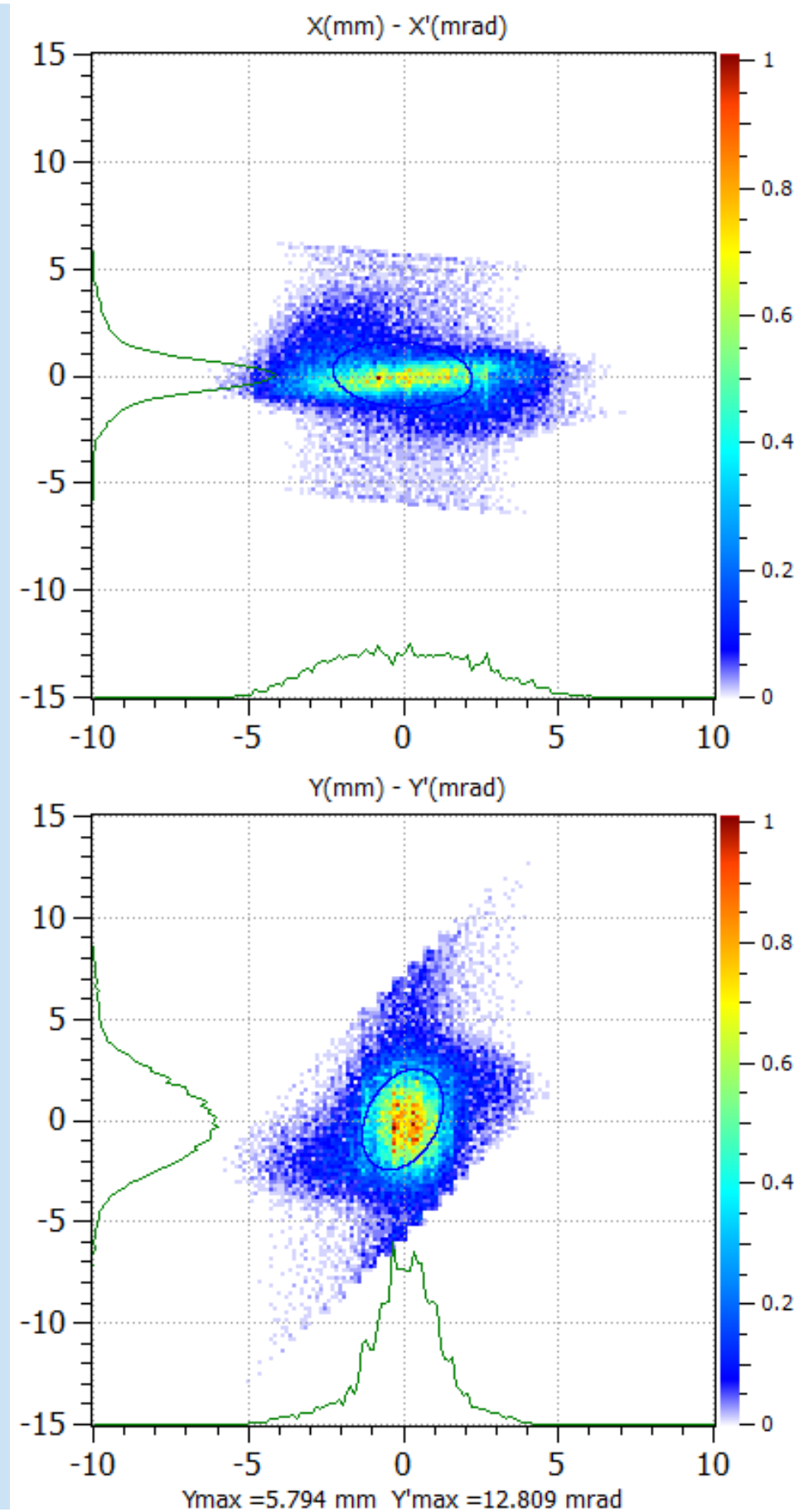
CHOPPING at 3 MeV

removing microbunches (150/352) to adapt the 352MHz linac bunches to the 1 MHz booster frequency

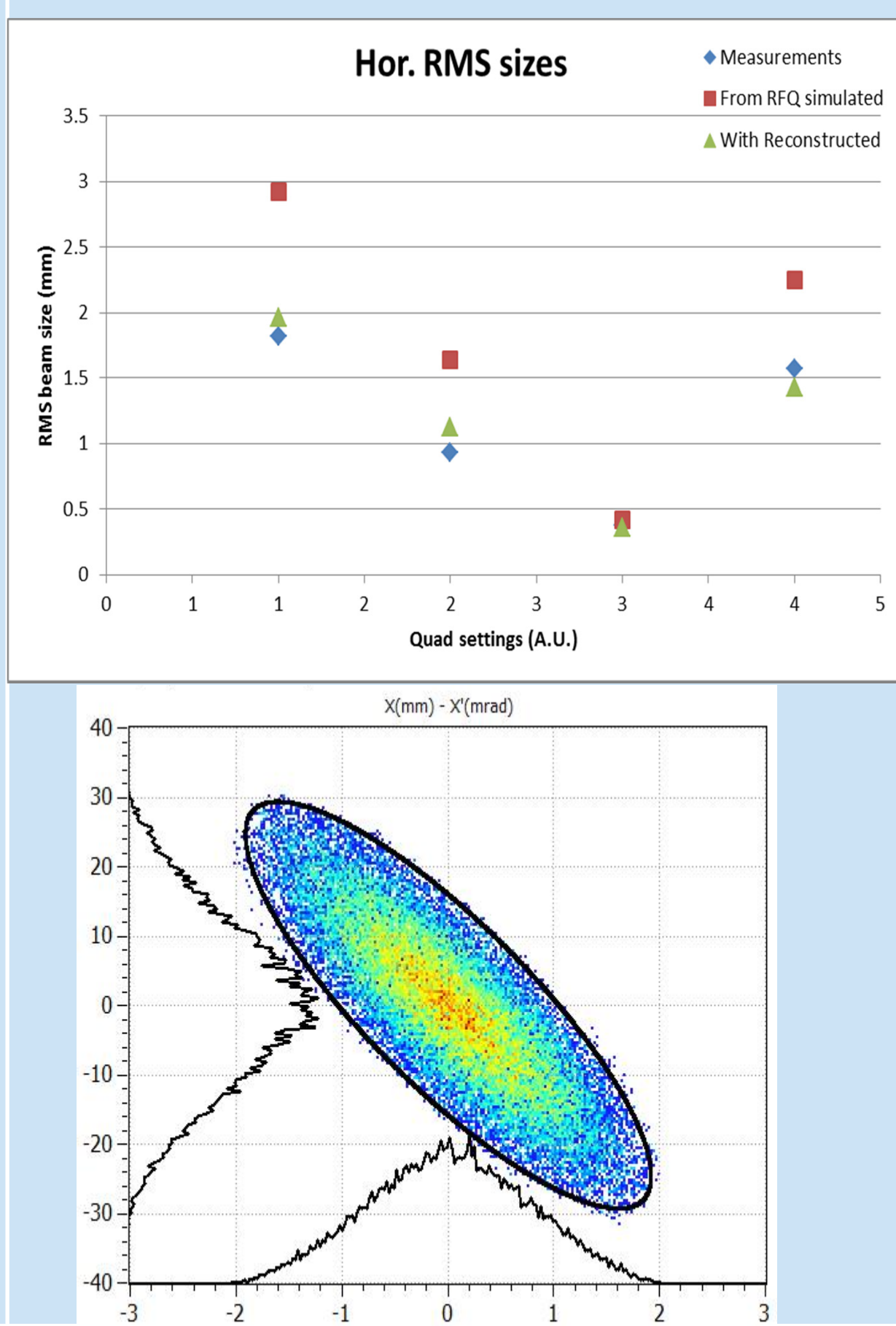


Pre-injector : validation of diagnostics

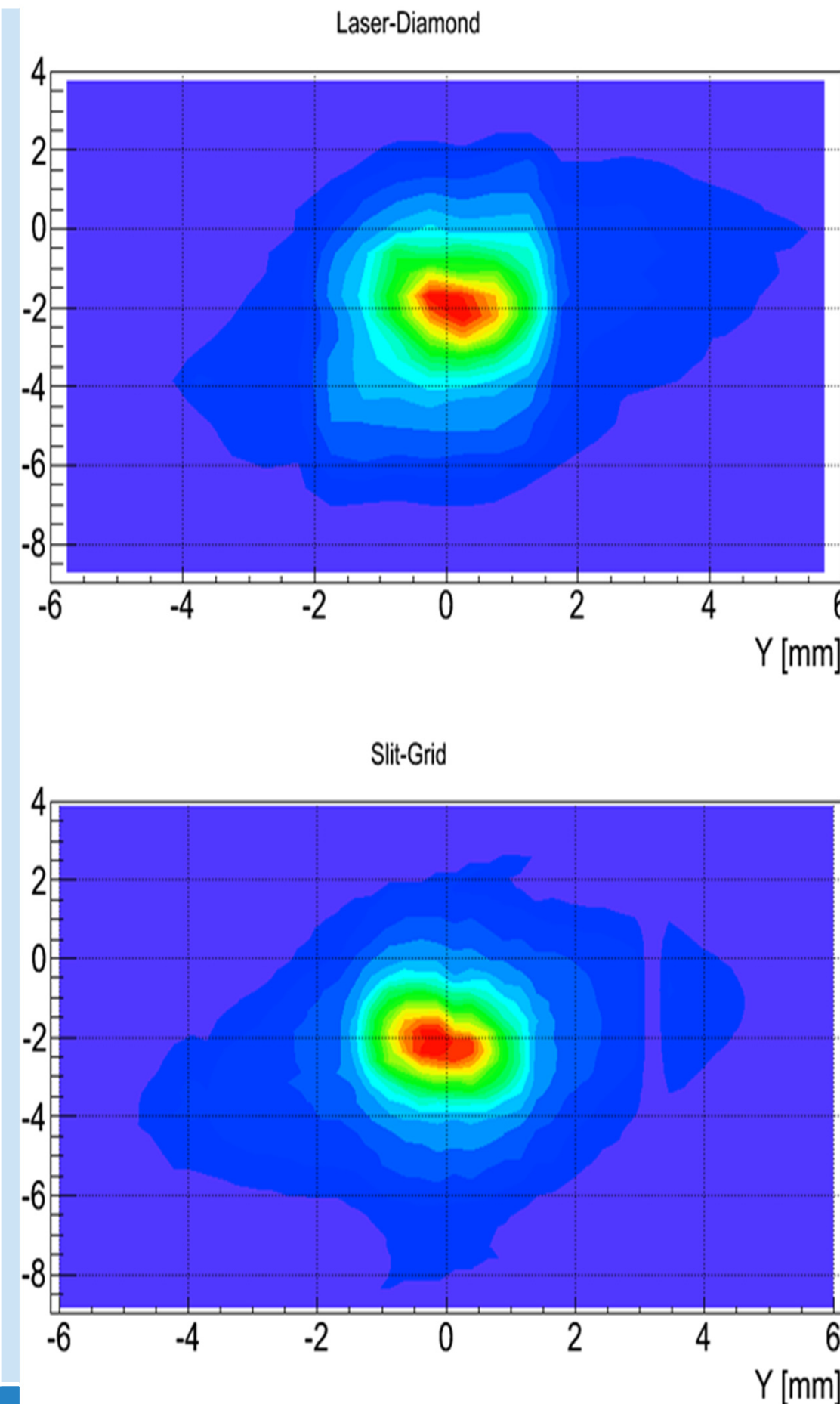
Slit-and-grid



From profile meas



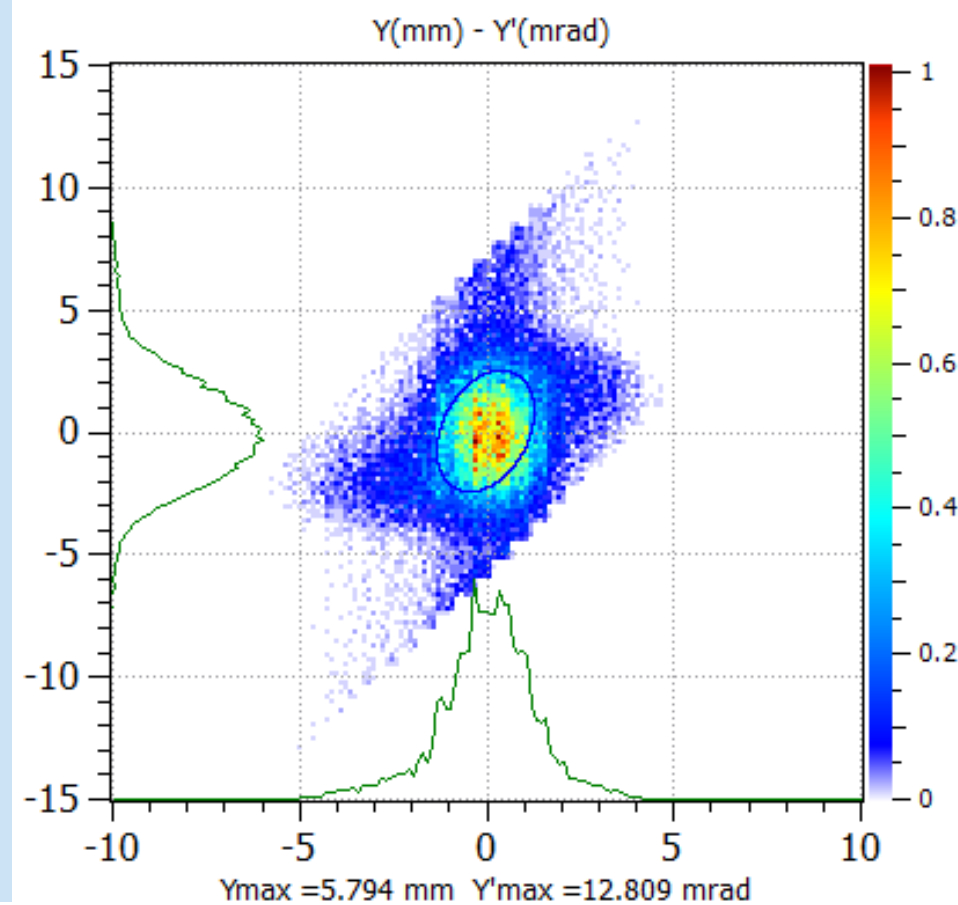
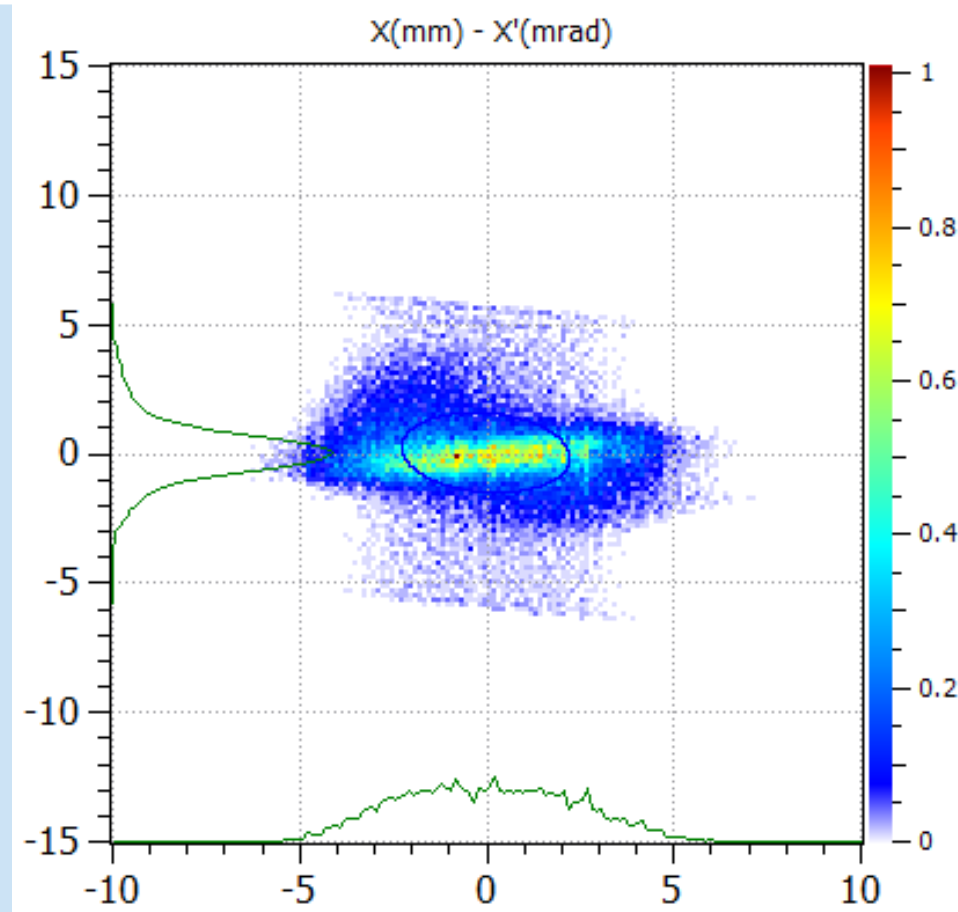
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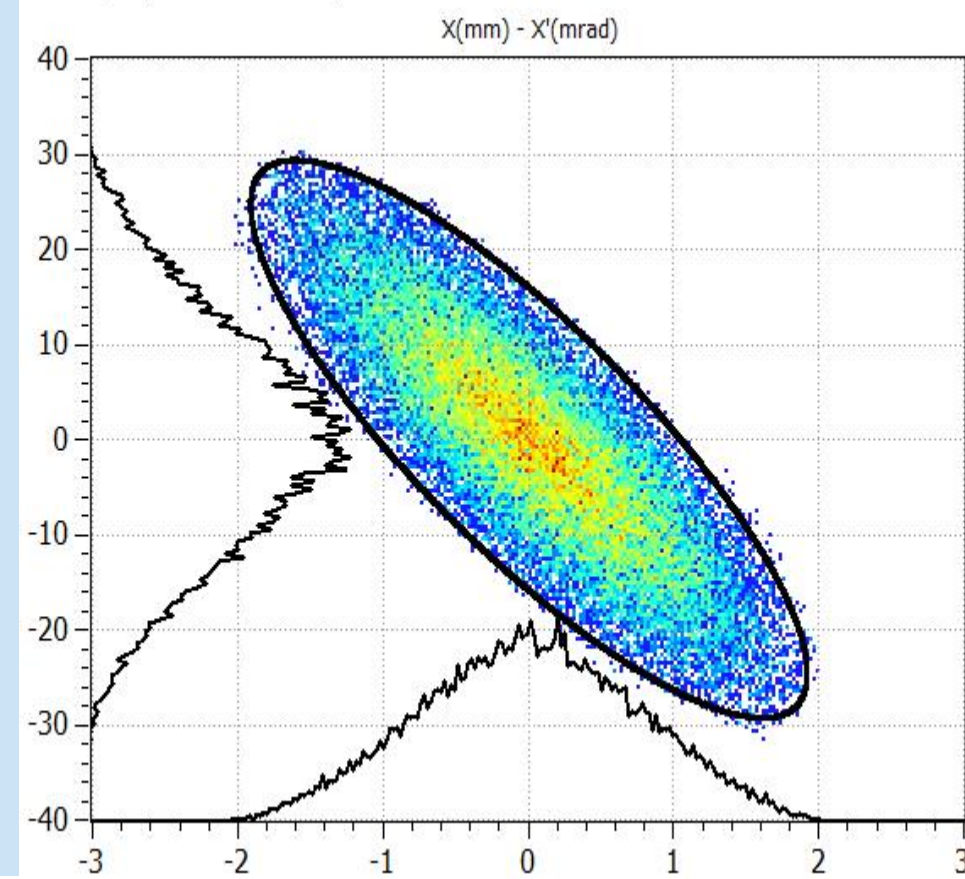
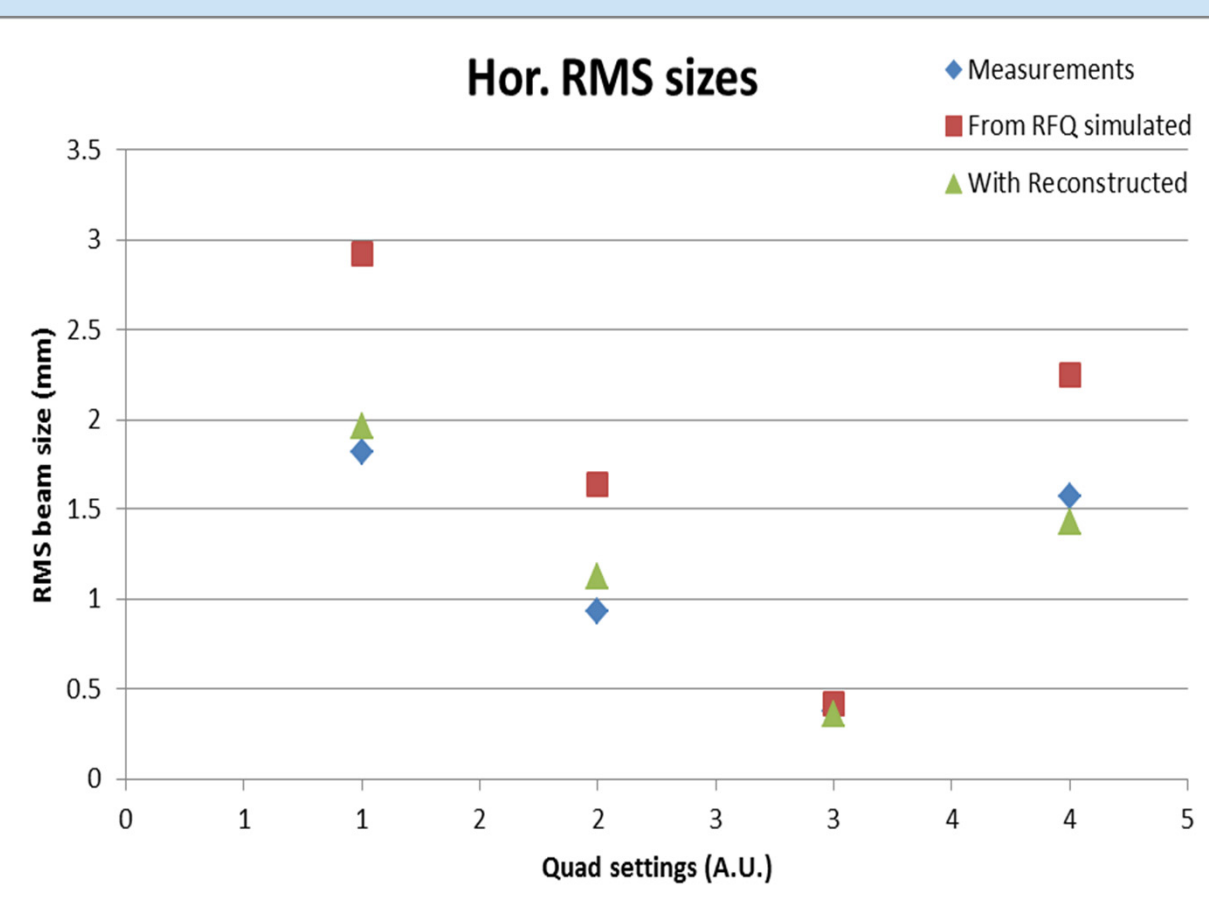
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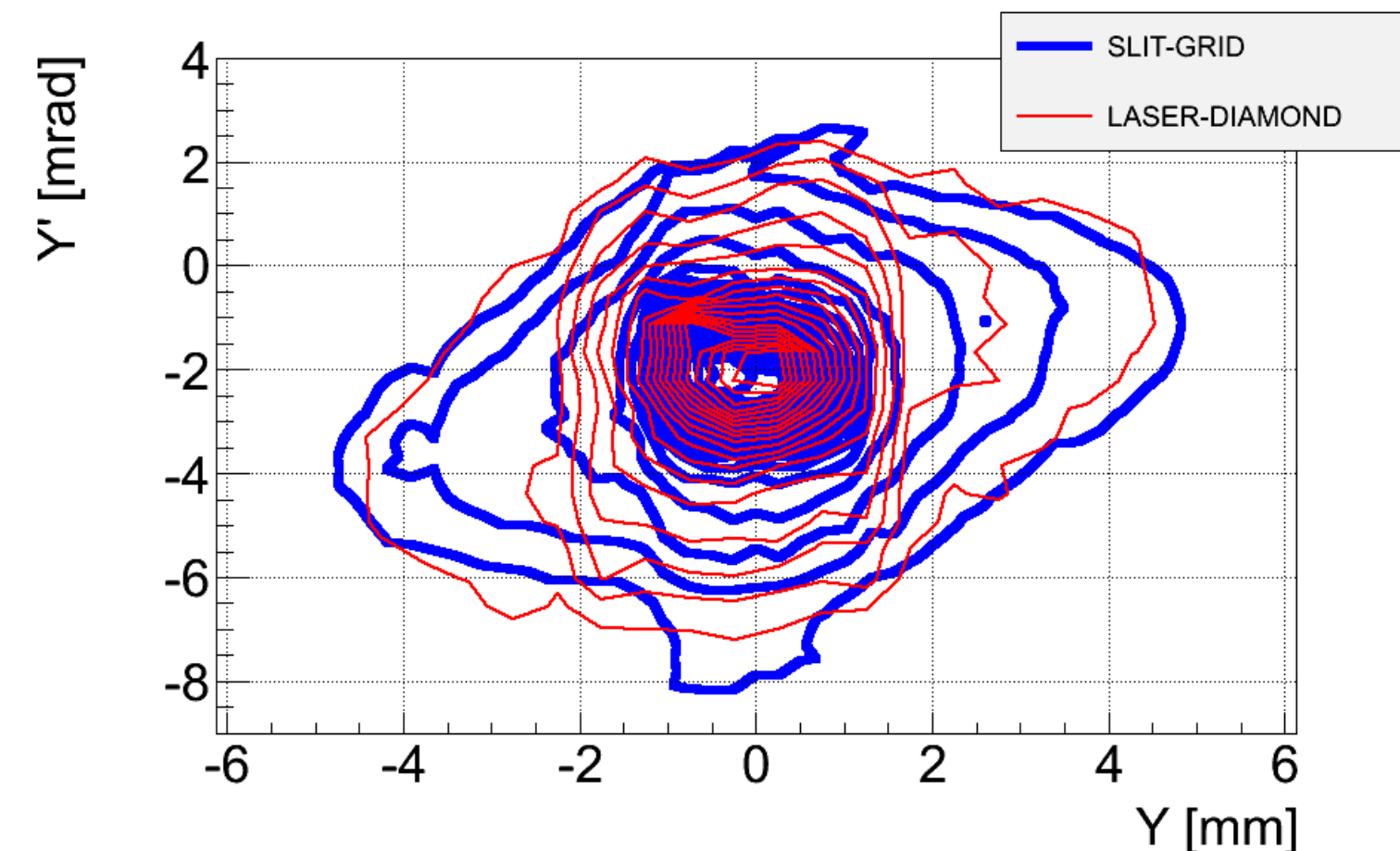
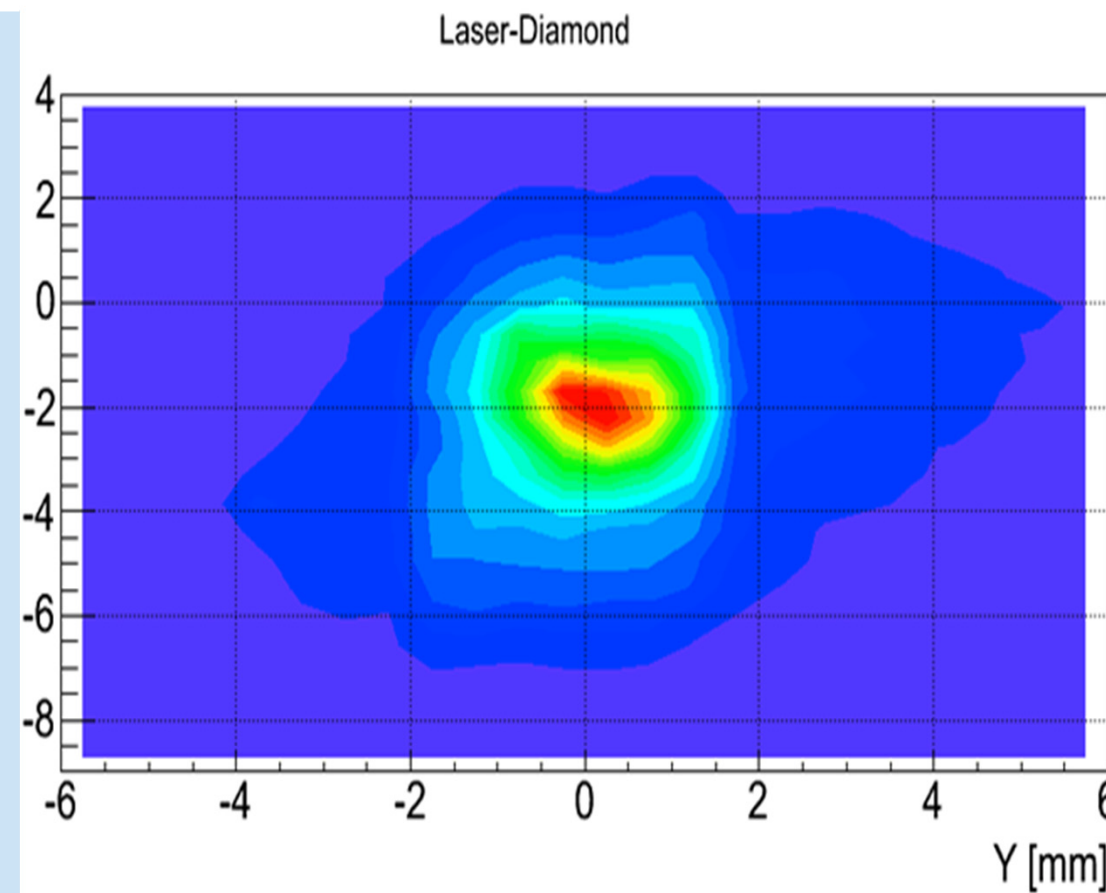
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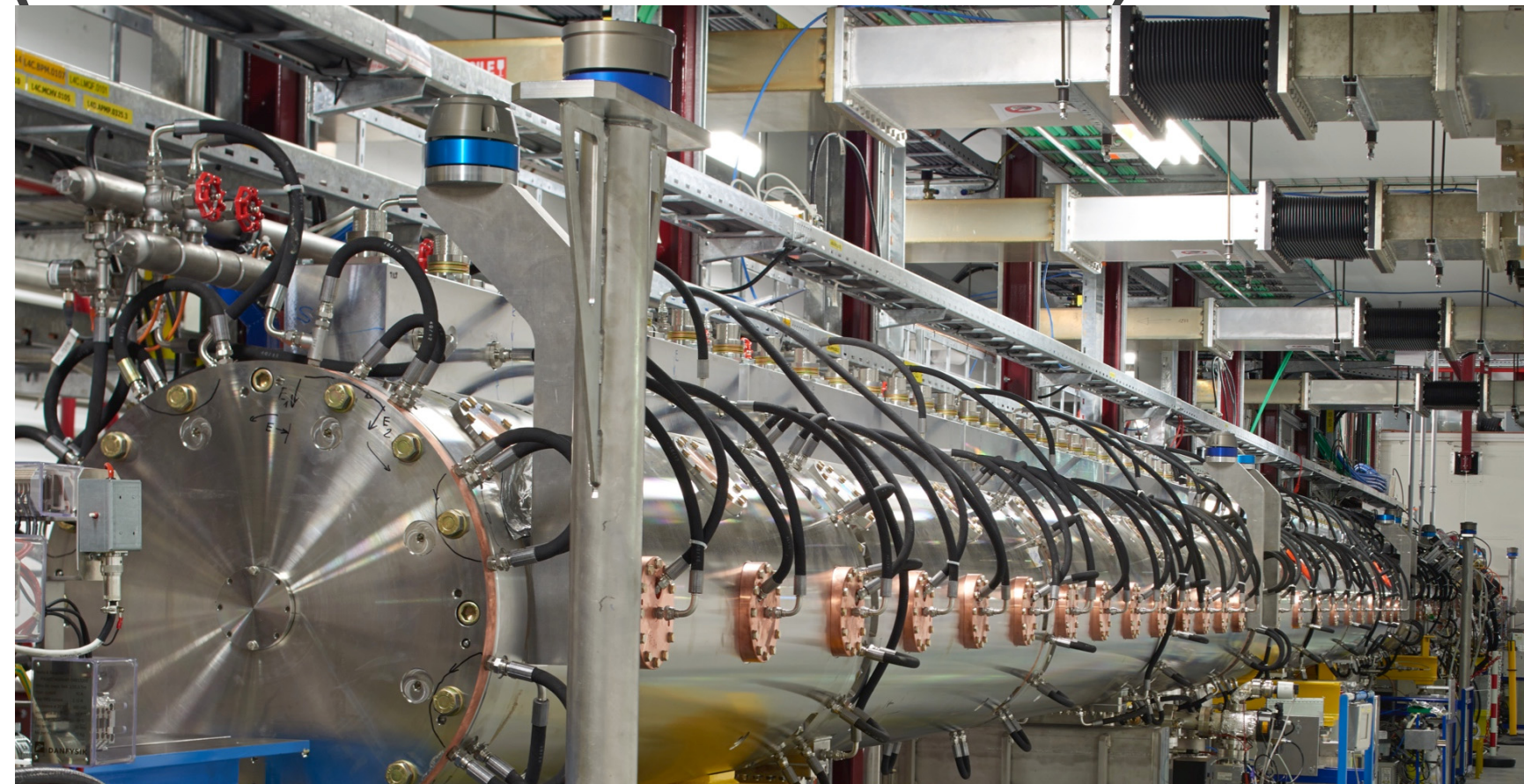
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Drift Tube Linac : 3-50 MeV

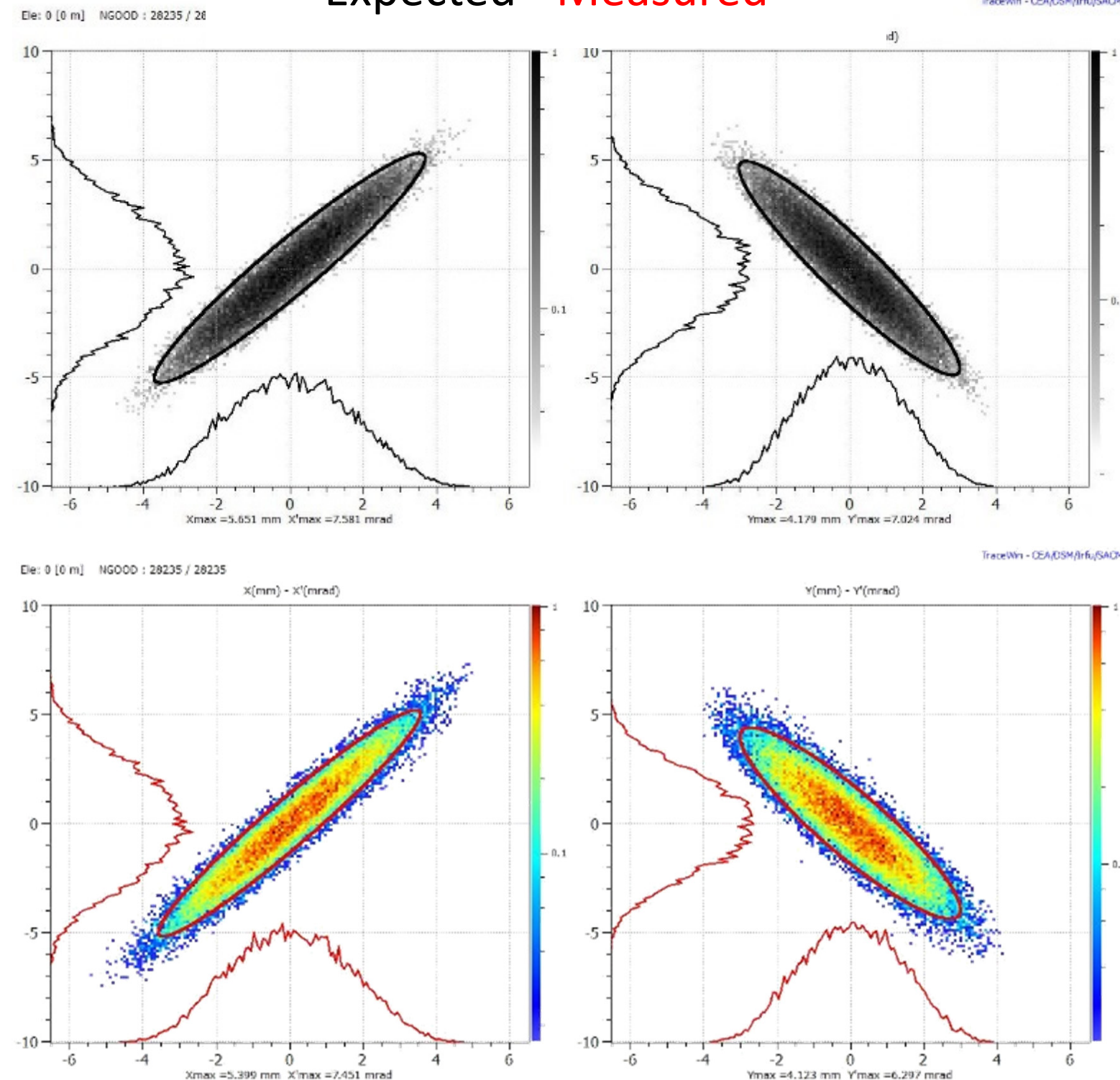
(3-12-30-50 MeV, commissioned in 2 stages Aug 14 and Nov 15)



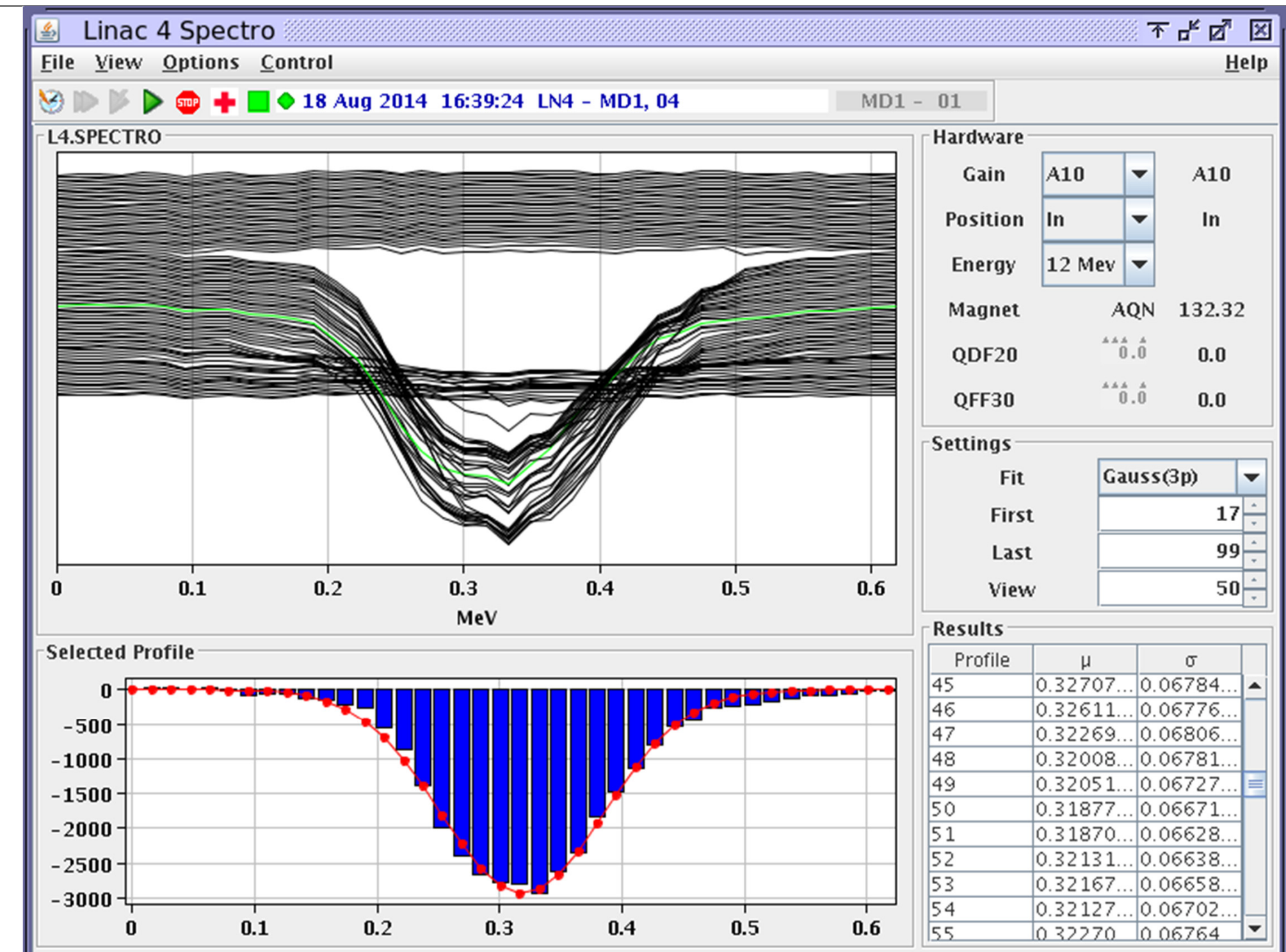
- Designed for ≥ 30 years of reliable operation with up to 10% duty cycle
- Rigid self supporting steel tanks assembled from < 2 m long segments
- Tank Design almost without welds, heat treated after rough machining
- PMQs in vacuum for streamlined drift tube assembly
- Adjust & Assemble: Tightly toleranced Al girders w/o adjustment mechanism
- Spring loaded metal gaskets for vacuum sealing and RF contacts
- Easy to use patented mounting mechanism
- Additional C-seal and temperature probe channel employed for leak testing
- Increased gap spacing in first cells of T1 to reduce breakdown in PMQ fields
- Cooled RF-port & vacuum grid in AISI 304L tank for 10% duty-cycle

Drift tube LINAC – beam measurements

Expected - Measured



Transverse emittance at 50 MeV
after the Drift Tube Linac, Nov 2015



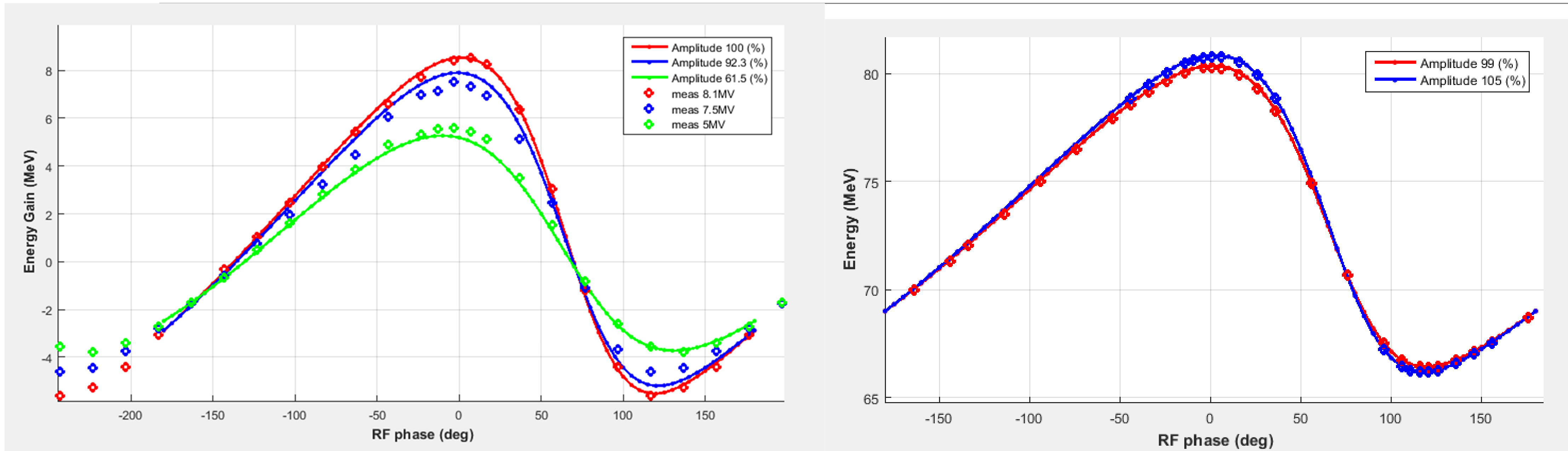
Spectrometer (bending + grid) measurements
indicate an rms energy spread of 52.8 keV (vs 49.2
keV expected) after DTL tank1, 12 MeV, August 2014

Cell Coupled Drift Tube LINAC : 50-100MeV (commissioned June 16)



- ◉ 7 modules of 3 accelerating cavities (3 gaps each) and 2 coupling cells,
- ◉ quadrupoles outside of RF structure,
- ◉ copper plated stainless steel,
- ◉ time-consuming assembly because of high number of C-shaped metal seals, several attempts necessary to achieve vacuum tightness,
- ◉ around 1 month of conditioning needed to clean surfaces,
- ◉ non-trivial support mechanics because of 12 support points per module,
- ◉ all drift tube centres are aligned within ± 0.1 mm
- ◉ first-ever CCDTL in a working machine!

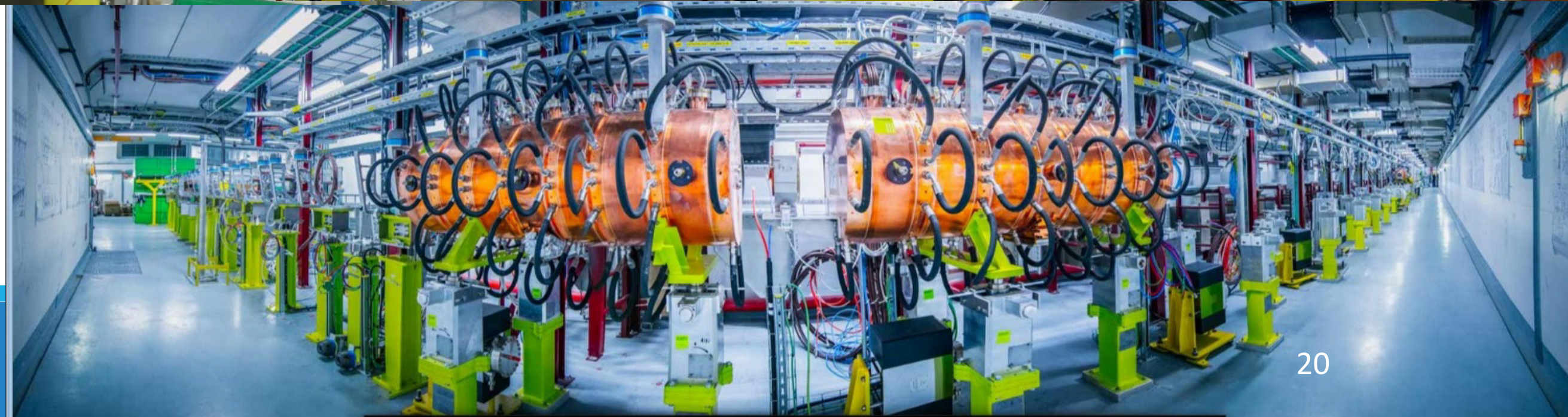
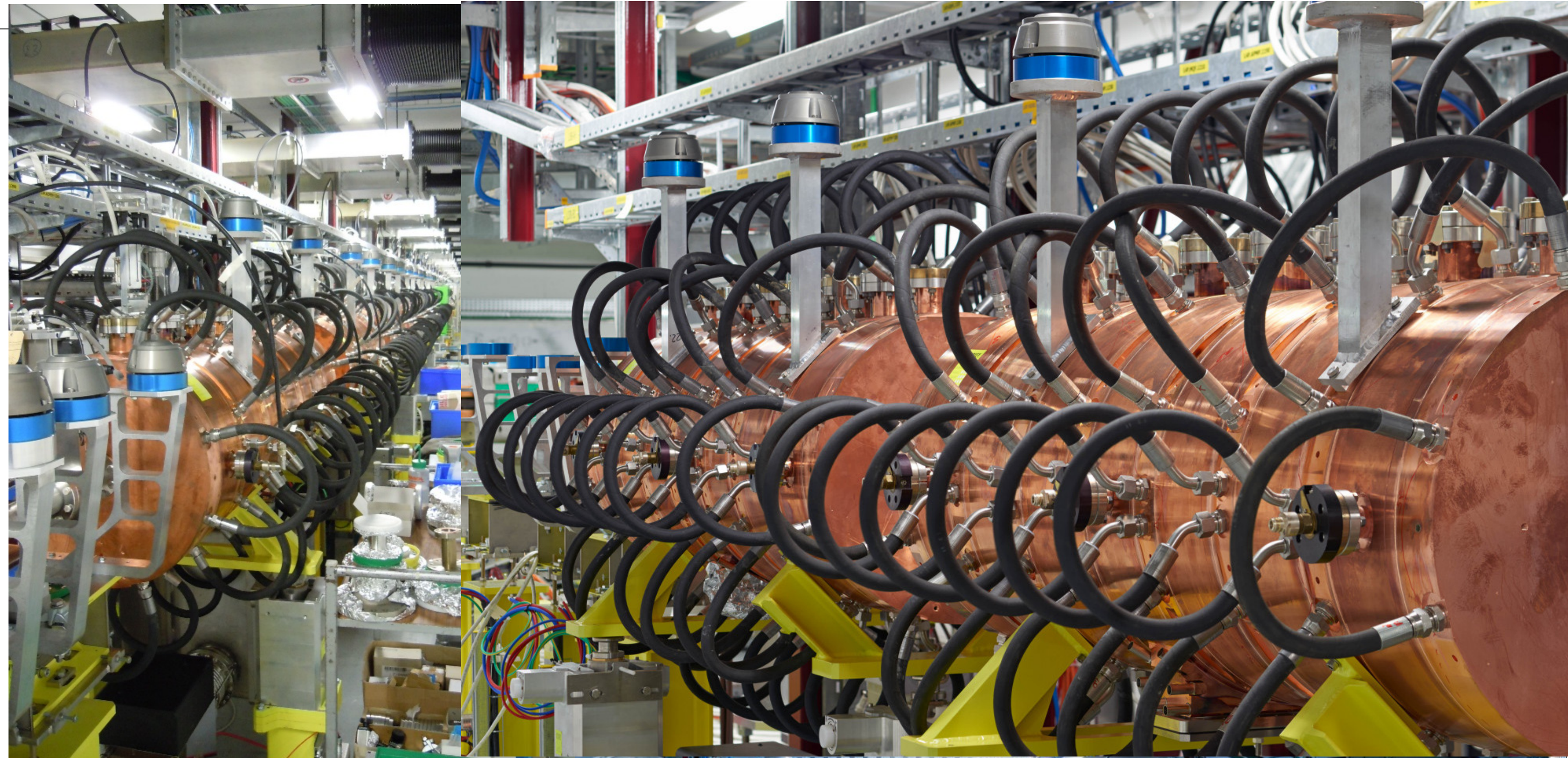
CCDTL beam measurements



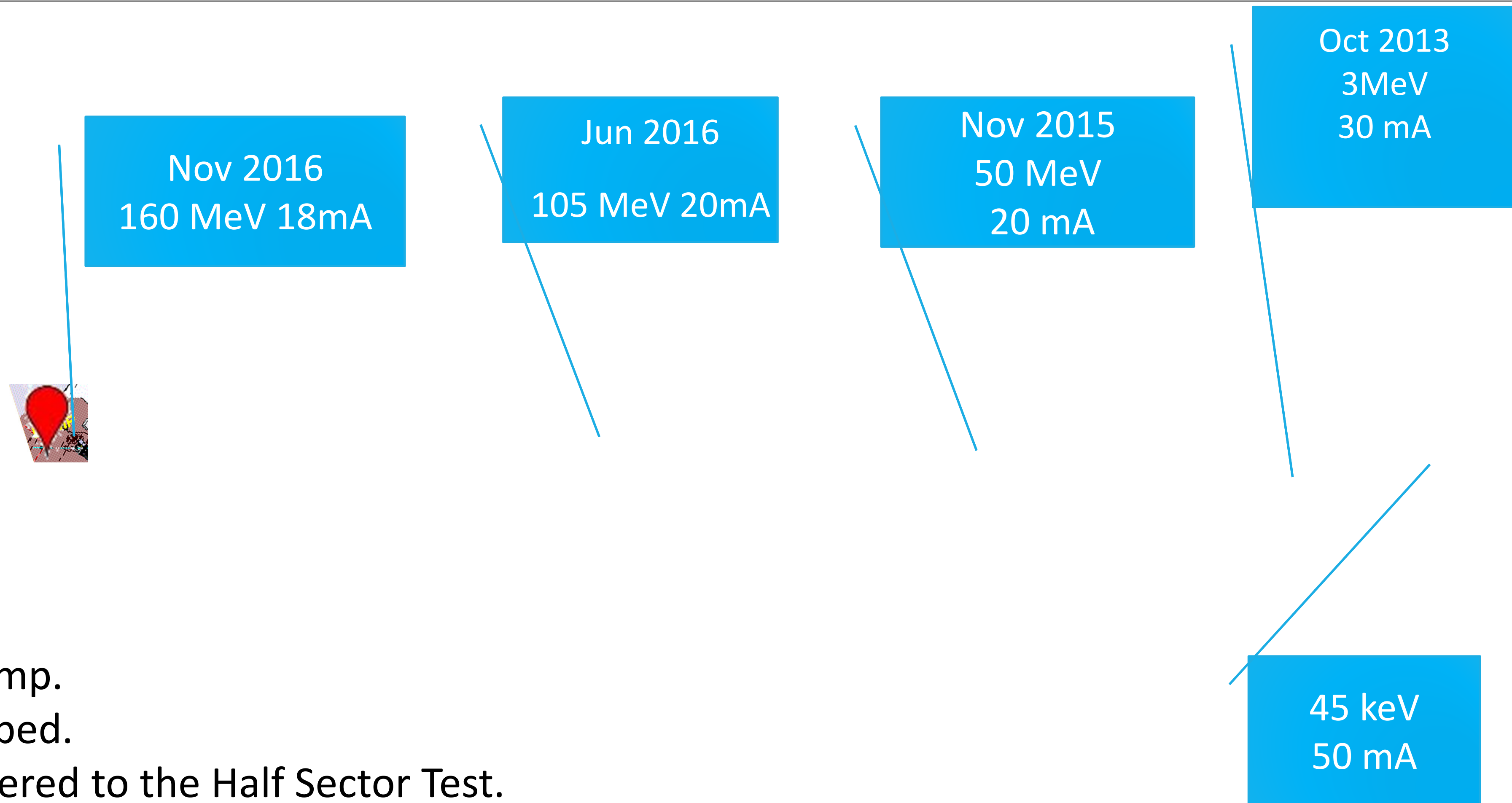
Average energy vs cavity phase for CCDTL module 3 and 4 measured June 2016 with Time-of-Flight

Pi-mode structure : 100-160 MeV (commissioned Oct 16)

- Bulk copper, no RF seals, discs and rings are tuned and electron-beam welded at CERN
- Long qualification period for series production (~3 years), critical point was precision machine large pieces of copper (10 - 20 μm on 500 mm diameter pieces)
- Conditioning time of prototype: 24 hours
- First low-beta pi-mode structure to go into operational machine

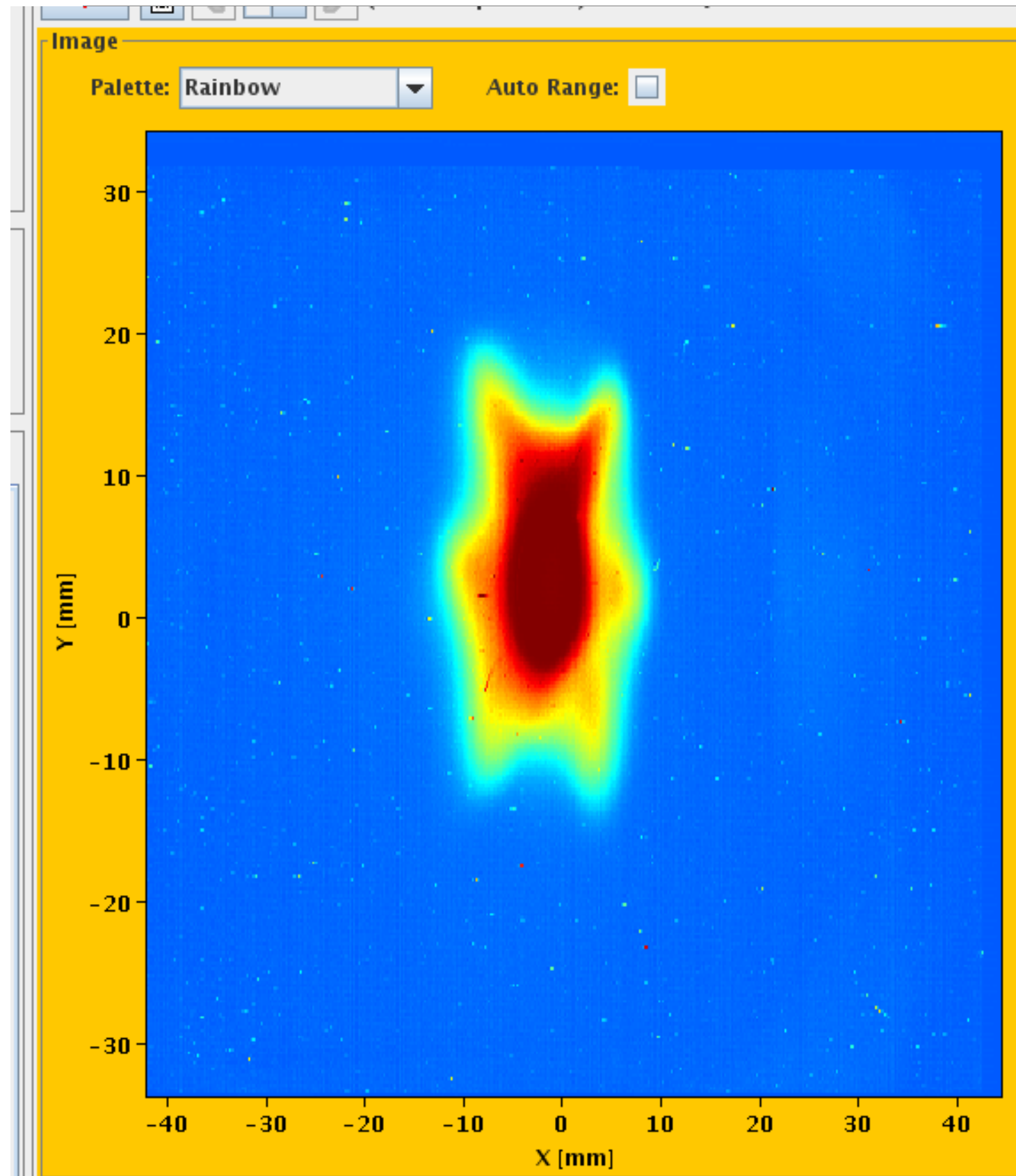


Made it to the final energy!



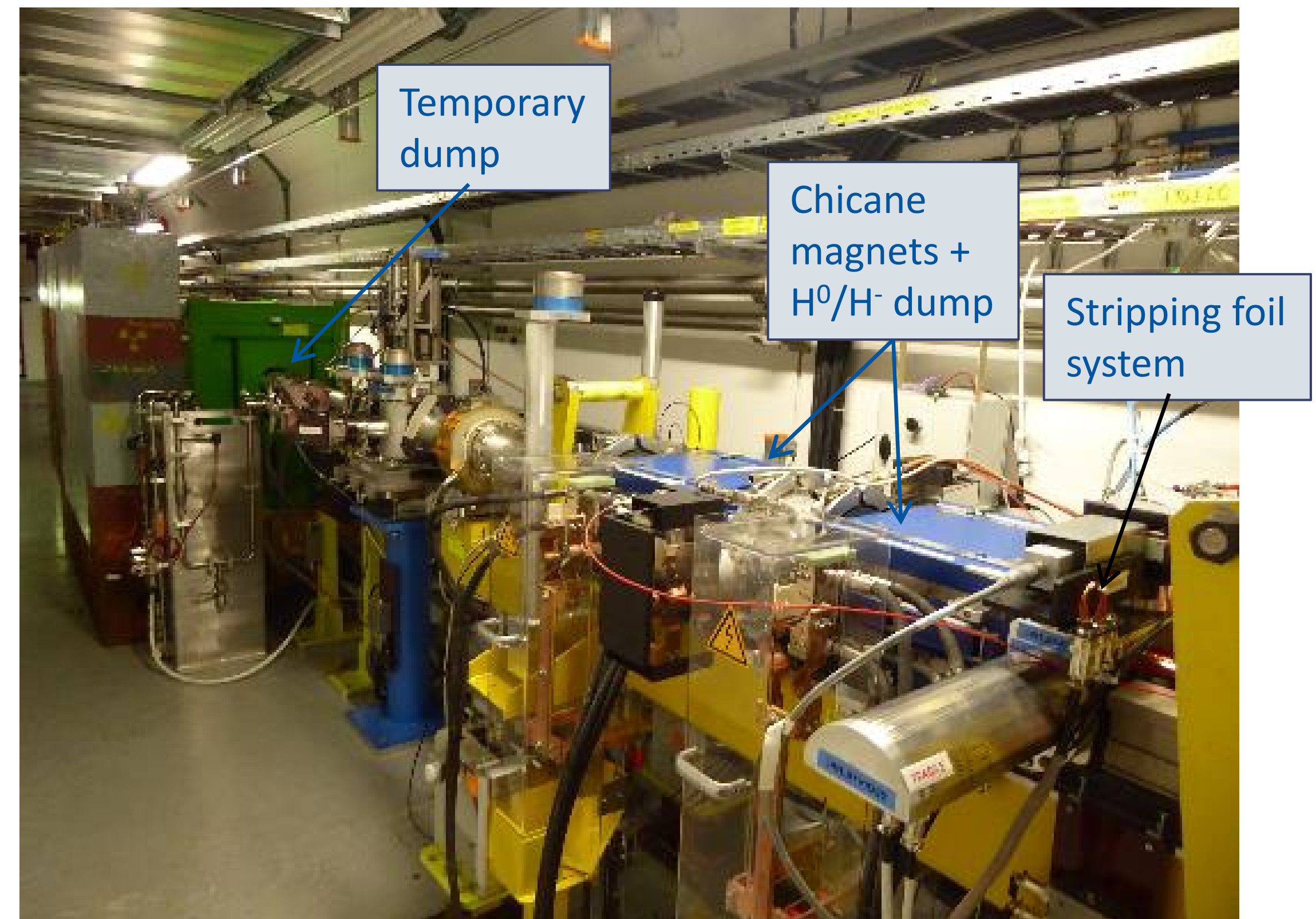
Safely on the dump.
It has been stripped.
It has been delivered to the Half Sector Test.

Half Sector Test (Oct 2016-mar2017)



Beam transverse footprint – stripped
– 160 MeV at BTV1077 , Mar 2017

Run the beam through half the injection chicane with aim of mitigating risks for Future PSB H^- Injection Section



What next?

- demonstrate long term reliability

“non availability of the injectors is the main cause of down time for the LHC”

MOYAA1 Approaching the Nominal Performance at the LHC, Jorg Wenninger (CERN)

- connect to the PSB

- achieve the nominal and possibly the ultimate current

Reliability run (June17-Mar18)

1. Insure a smooth transition from commissioning to operation: train operators, necessary software development, learn to deal with the increased flexibility.
2. Find any weak points and mend them in time for the connection
3. Achieve a *beam-availability* for the PSB as high as possible and possibly above 90% : importance of the fault tracking system

2017												2018												
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Shut down	Half Sector Test		Debuncher installation		Reliability Run						Shut down		Spare for Reliability Run		interventions, repairs				Beam recommissioning			Shut down		
	EYETS											shutdown												LS2

During LS2 for 6 months

- During two weeks :

- Close the line (blank pipes available)
- Reposition the BHZ20
- Switch the source to proton

With 50MeV protons from LINAC4 the PSB would be able to deliver 75% of the present performance for the LHC beam. (**CERN-ATS-Note-2012-047 PERF** – 2012)

- inject via charge-stripping up to 3×10^{12} protons per ring at 160 MeV (e.g. an average current of 25 mA along the pulse before chopping, injection over 40 turns of 40 μ sec)
- The beam injected into each ring can be tailored to durations from 1 to 150 μ sec,
- Average energy can be dynamically varied by ± 1.2 MeV over 40 μ sec
- the rms energy spread varied from 85 to 450 keV rms

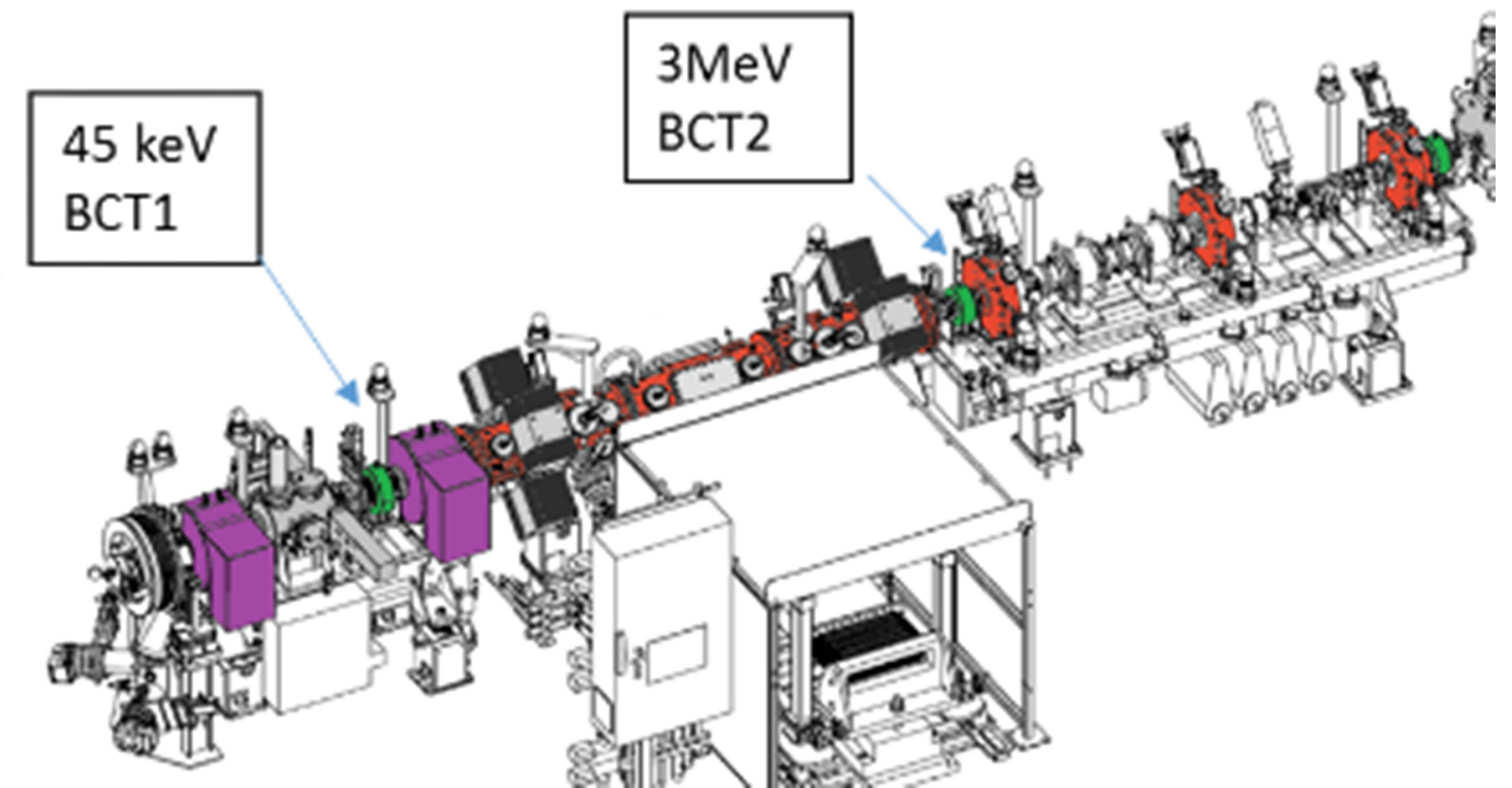
A word on the source

Many improvement since march 2015

- 1) Intensity
- 2) Stability
- 3) Auto-Pilot (automatic regulation of critical source parameters for increased stability)
- 4) Caesiation with autopilot , time needed went from half day w/o beam to few hours in degraded beam conditions

Parallel program at the test stand

- 1) Control of the emittance
- 2) Optimised electrode shape
- 3) Matching into the LEBT
- 4) Mastering neutralisation?



Current at 3 MeV before chopping

Today's LINAC4	20 mA
Record LINAC4	30 mA
Nominal LHC Inj. Upgrade	40 mA
Ultimate LINAC4	60 mA

The gap to the nominal LIU can be compensated with twice the injected number of turns in the PSB.

Final remarks

LINAC4 :

- All the hardware *except the source* in its final configuration
- There is an enormous flexibility built into LINAC4 to be exploited by the PSB and this will require time and trials
- Linac4 is upgradeable
 - in terms of duty-cycle (factor 5) and peak current (factor 3) without any modification to the hardware
 - In terms of duty cycle (factor 50) and final energy with substantial hardware modification

More general :

- The importance of a test stand which includes the full pre-injector
- The importance of validated machine model and accuracy of particle tracking codes
- Also for a relatively small quantity (about 150 Permanent Magnet Quadrupoles pieces) the procurement of the linac4 quadrupoles was an occasion to transfer knowledge to the European industry.