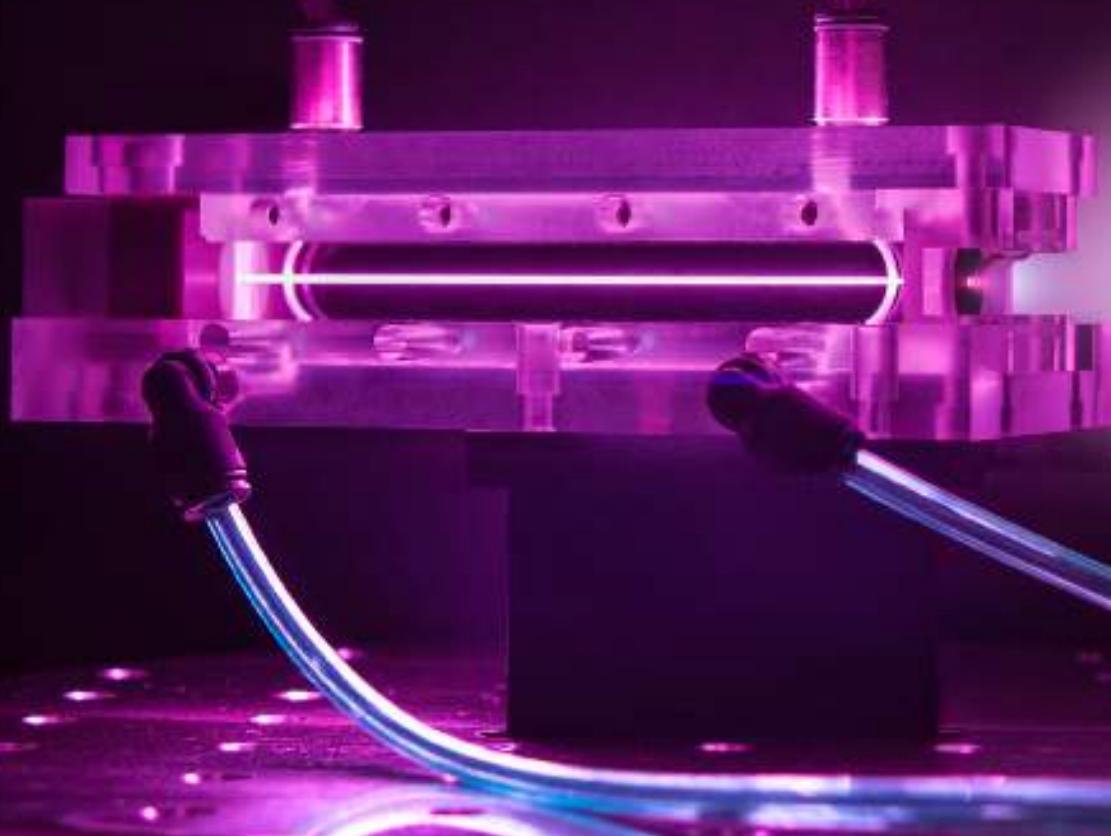


# From SPARC\_LAB to EuPRAXIA

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Courtesy BELLA

# Hawking: the Solartron

Towards the Planck scale:  $1.22 \times 10^{19}$  GeV



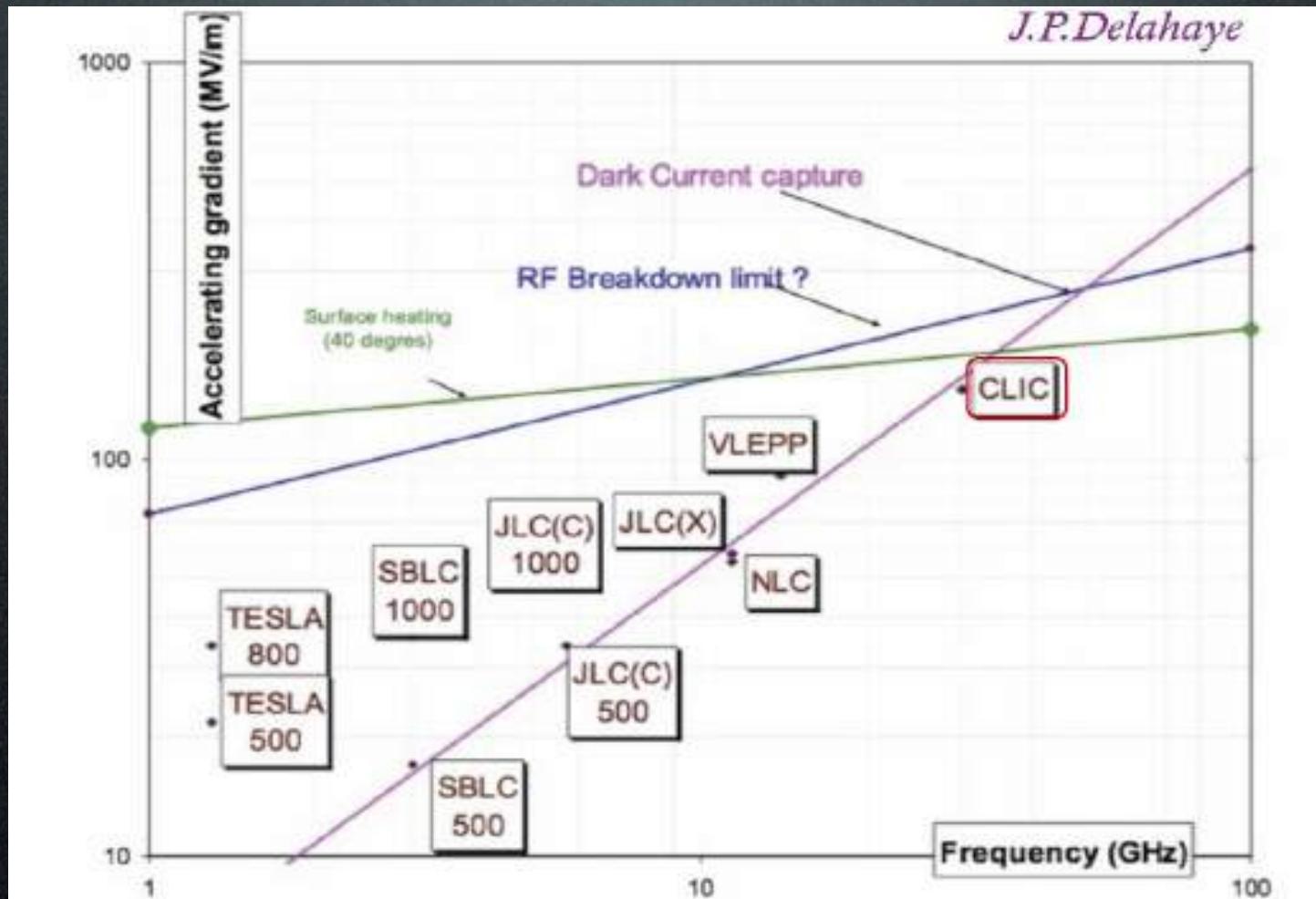
Without further novel technology, we will eventually need an accelerator as large as Hawking expected.

“The Universe in a Nutshell”, by Stephen William Hawking, Bantam, 2001

# HIGH GRADIENT AAC ROAD MAP

- ① Miniaturization of the accelerating structures (~resonant) and beam manipulation components
- ② Wake Field Acceleration (~transient)  
(LWFA, PWFA, DWFA)
  - Power sources
  - Accelerating structures
  - High quality beams

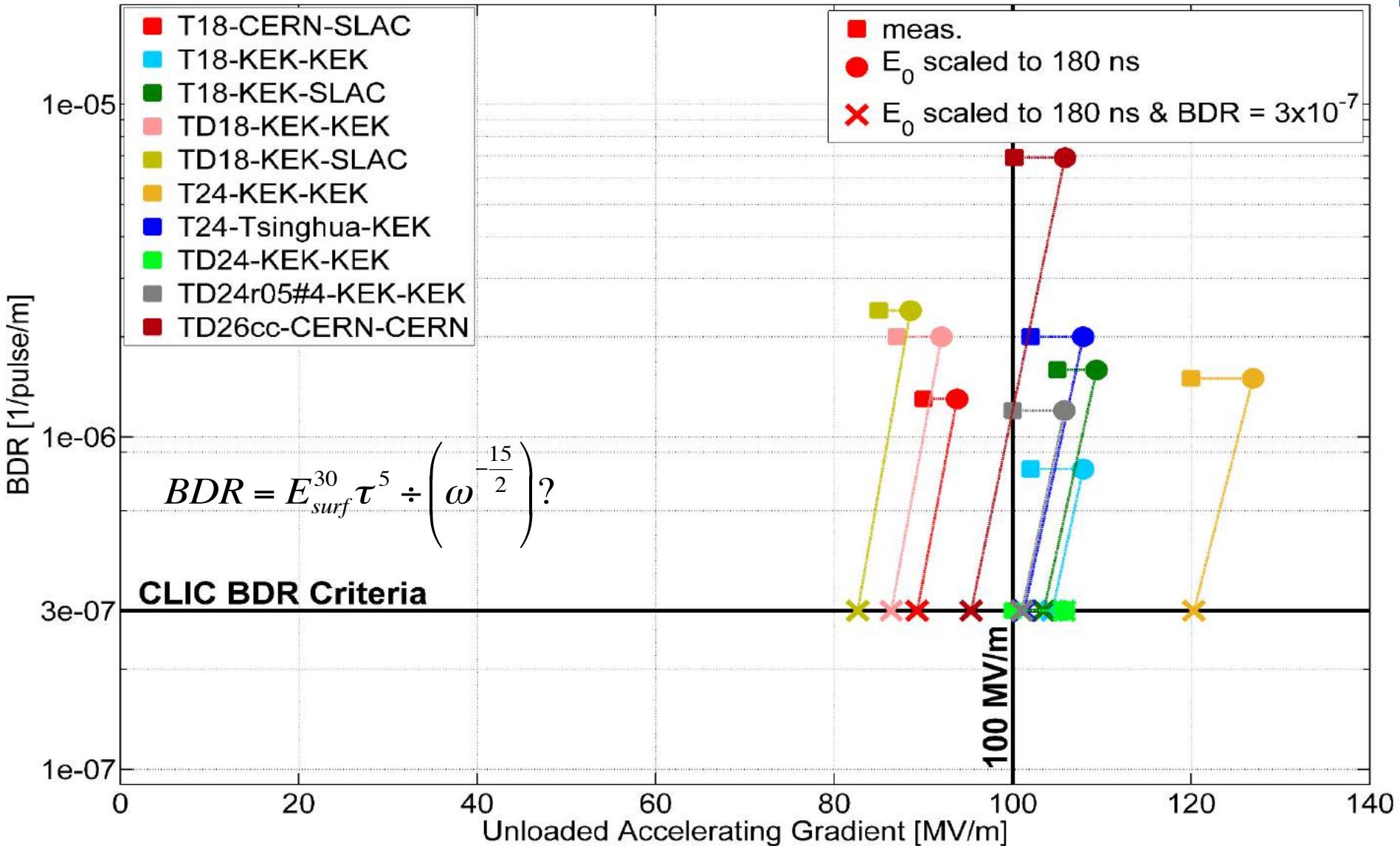
High field ->Short wavelength->ultra-short bunches-> low charge



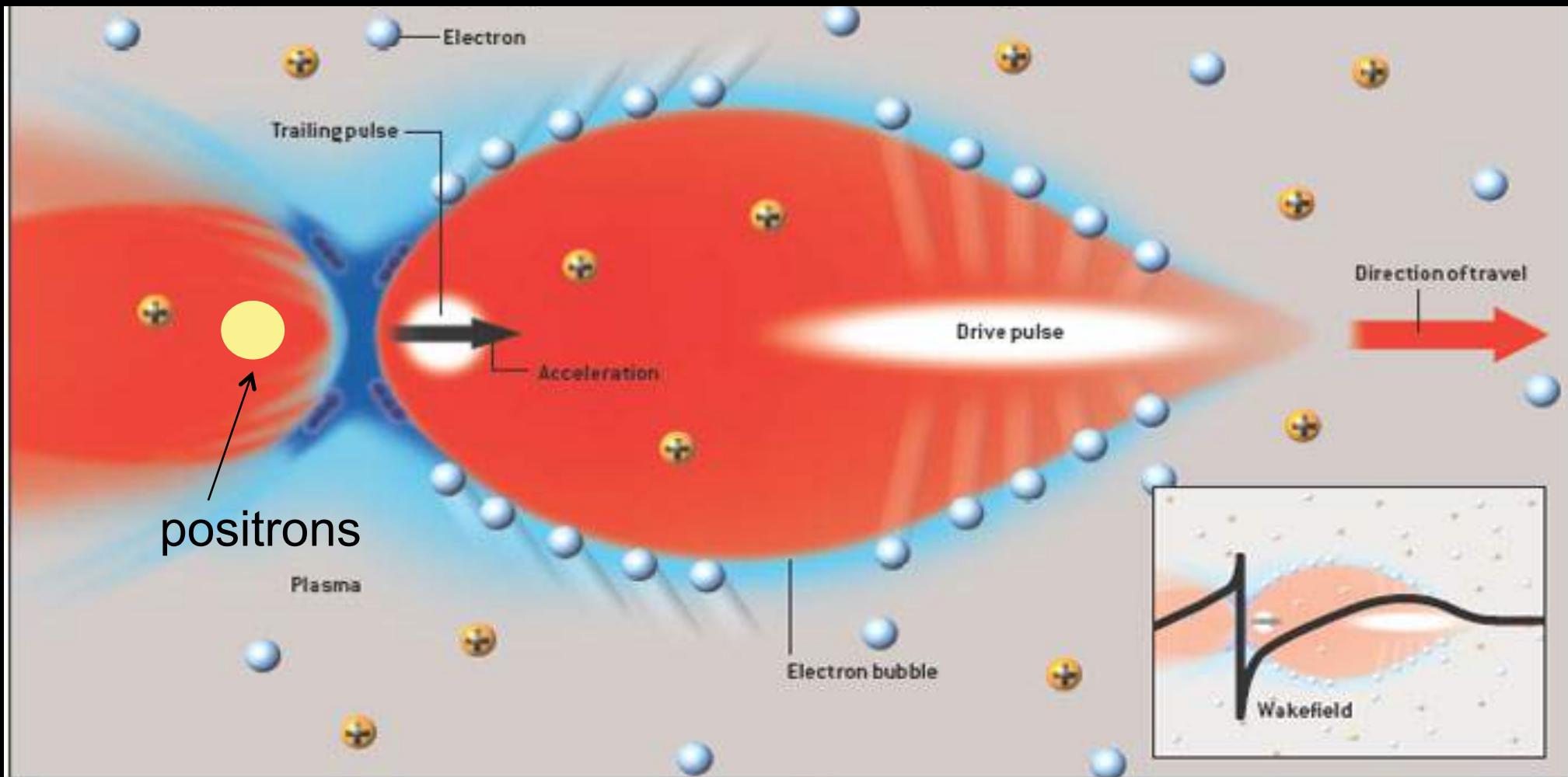
Breakdown limits metal:

$$E_s = 220(f[\text{GHz}])^{1/3} \text{ MV/m}$$

# Performance summary at CLIC specifications

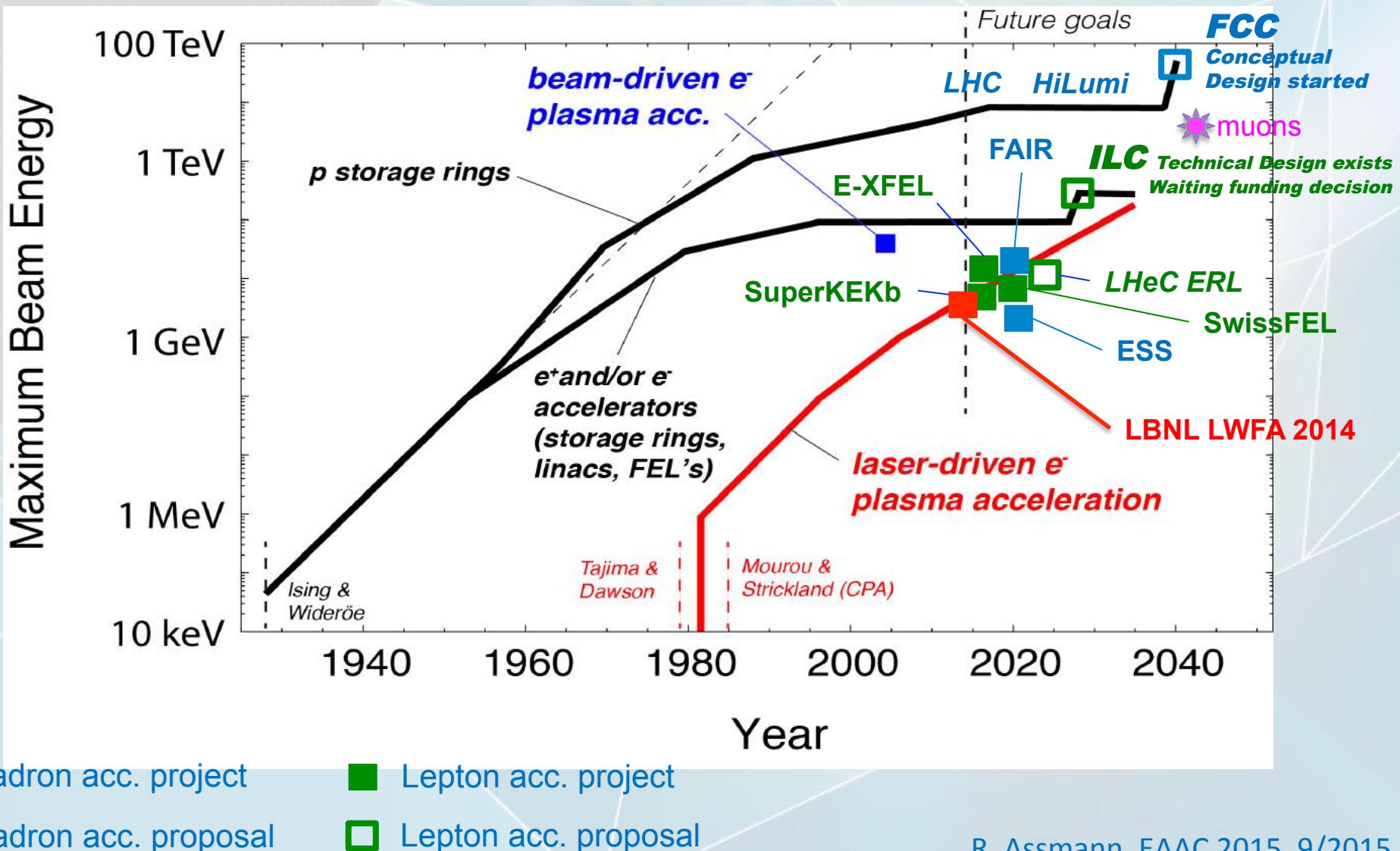


# Plasma Accelerator



Breakdown limit?

$$E_0 = \frac{m_e c \omega_p}{e} \approx 100 \left[ \frac{GeV}{m} \right] \cdot \sqrt{n_0 [10^{18} cm^{-3} ]}$$

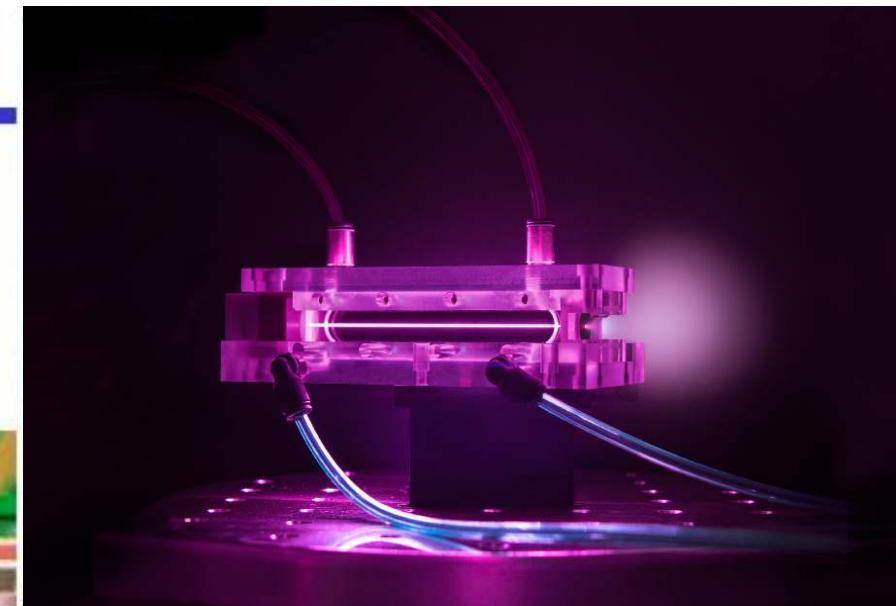
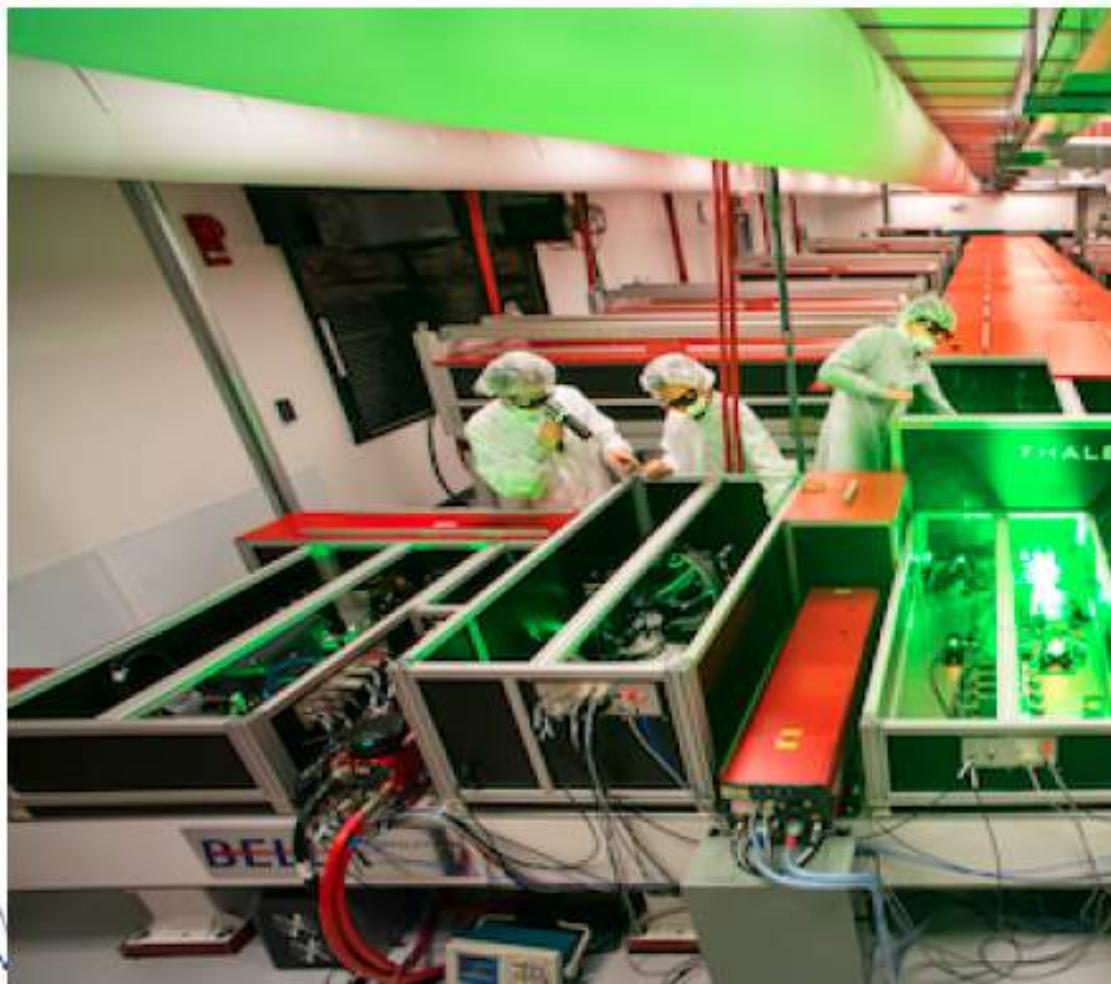




# World Leader

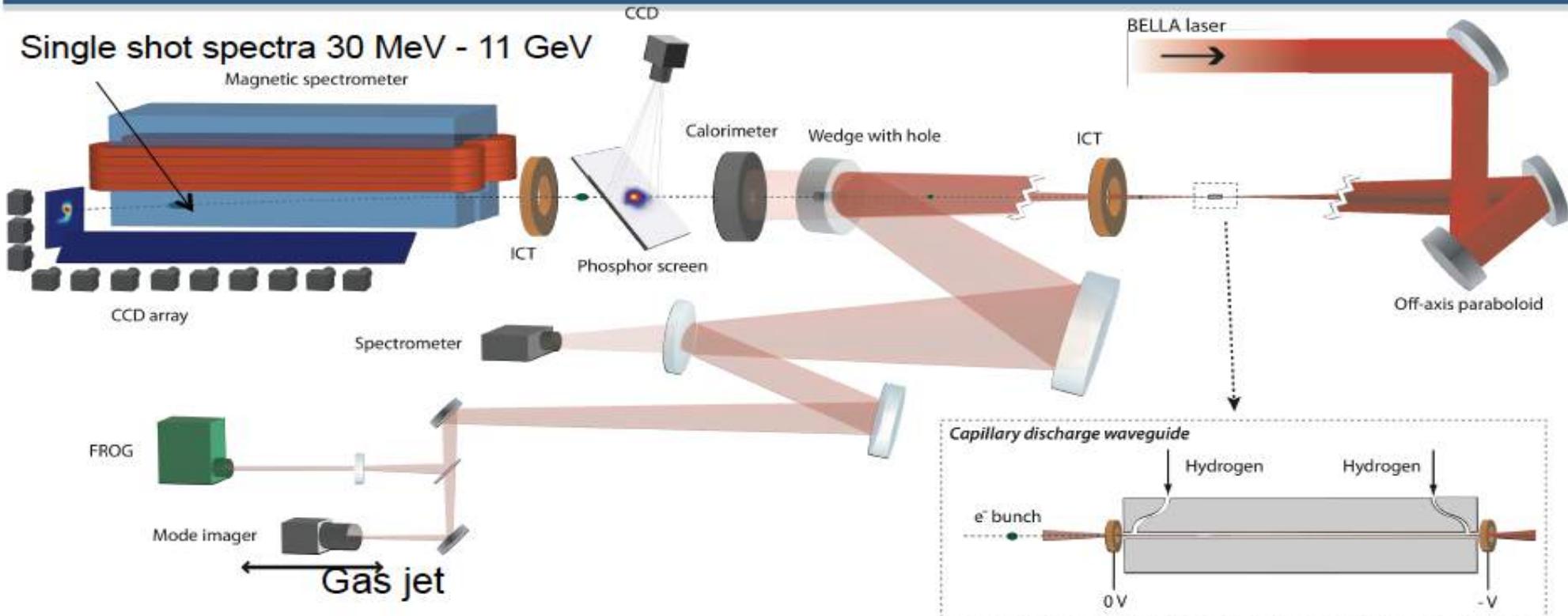
## BELLA LPWA facility:

3 cm 1 GeV 40 TW laser ~1Hz  
10-30 cm 5-10 GeV PW laser, ~1 Hz

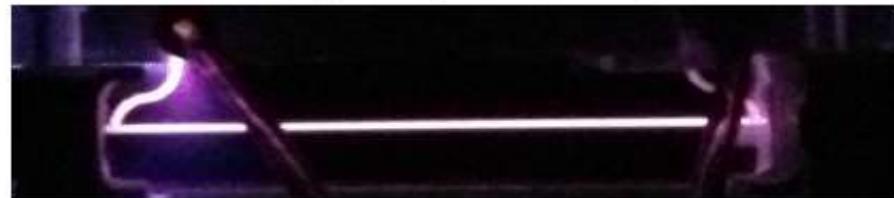


# Experiments at LBNL use the BELLA laser focused by a 14 m focal length off-axis paraboloid onto gas jet or capillary discharge targets

Single shot spectra 30 MeV - 11 GeV



Big Laser In

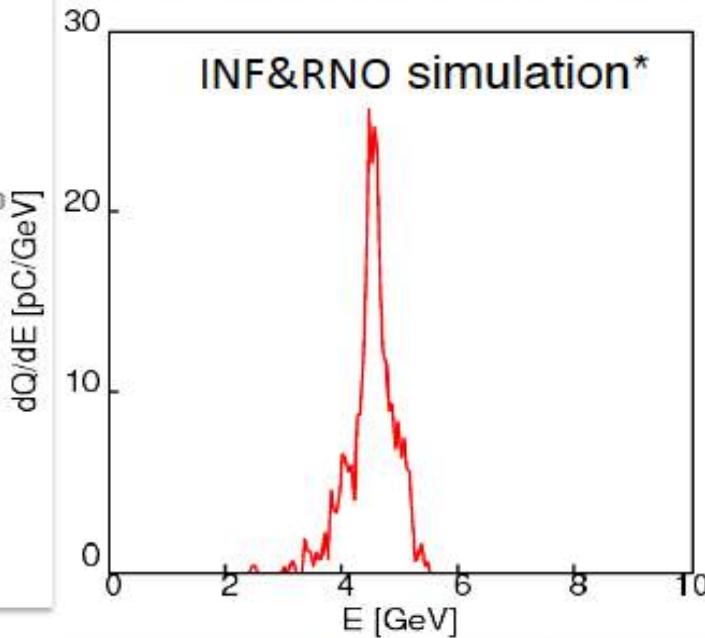
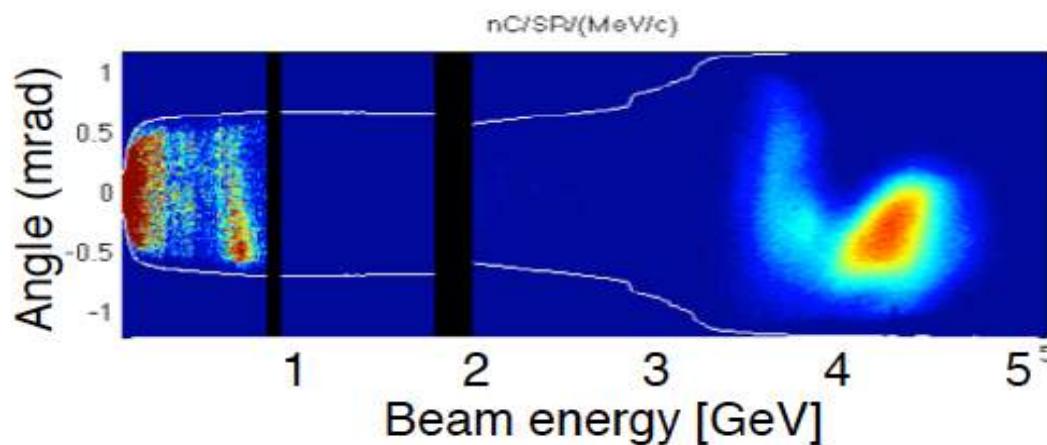


Capillary discharge

## 4.25 GeV beams have been obtained from 9 cm plasma channel powered by 310 TW laser pulses (15 J)

\*C. Benedetti et al., proceedings of AAC2010, proceedings of ICAP2012

Electron beam spectrum



- **Laser ( $E=15$  J):**
  - Measured longitudinal profile ( $T_0 = 40$  fs)
  - Measured far field mode ( $w_0 = 53 \mu m$ )
- **Plasma:** parabolic plasma channel (length 9 cm,  $n_0 \sim 6-7 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )

	Exp.	Sim.
Energy	4.25 GeV	4.5 GeV
$\Delta E/E$	5%	3.2%
Charge	$\sim 20$ pC	23 pC
Divergence	0.3 mrad	0.6 mrad

W.P. Leemans et al., PRL 2014



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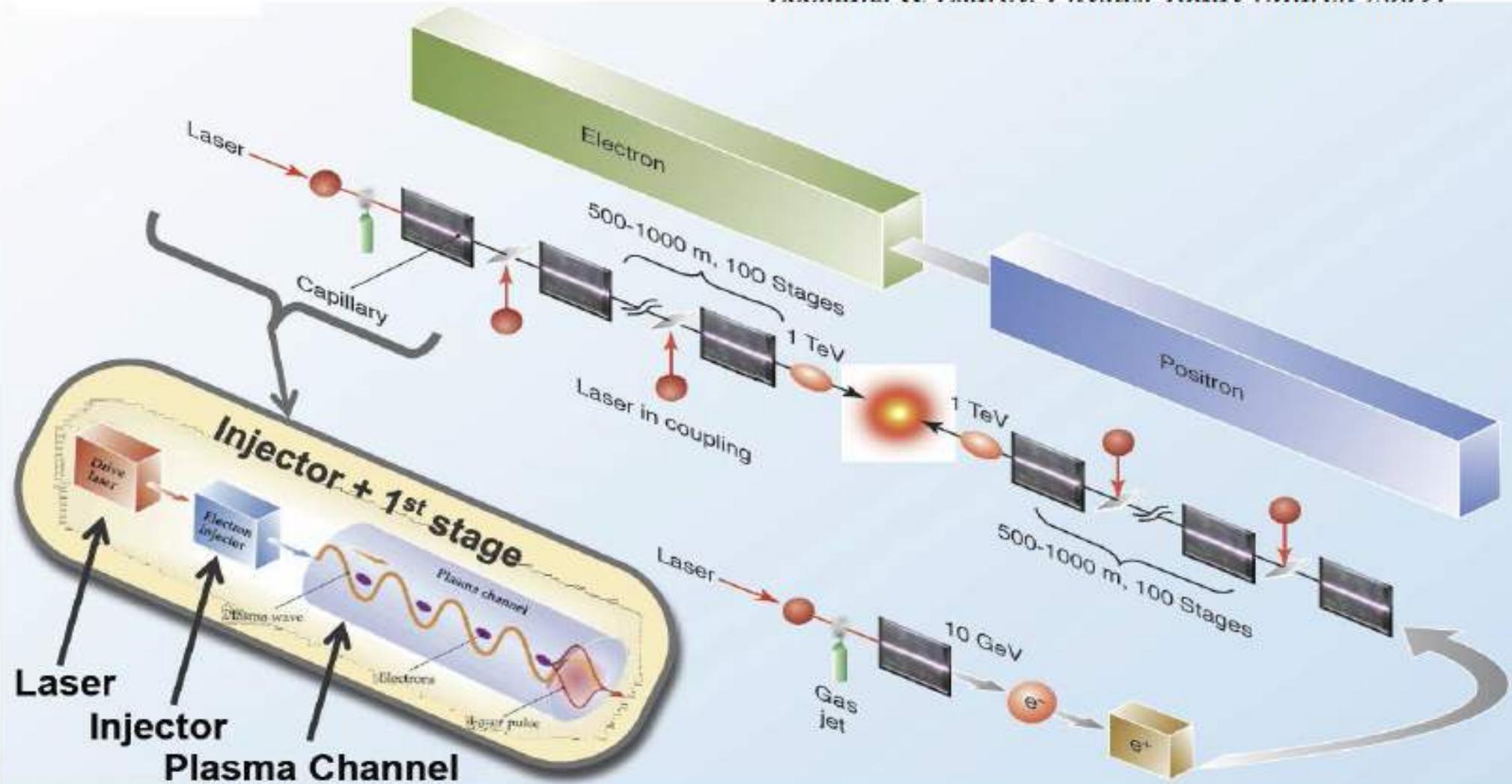
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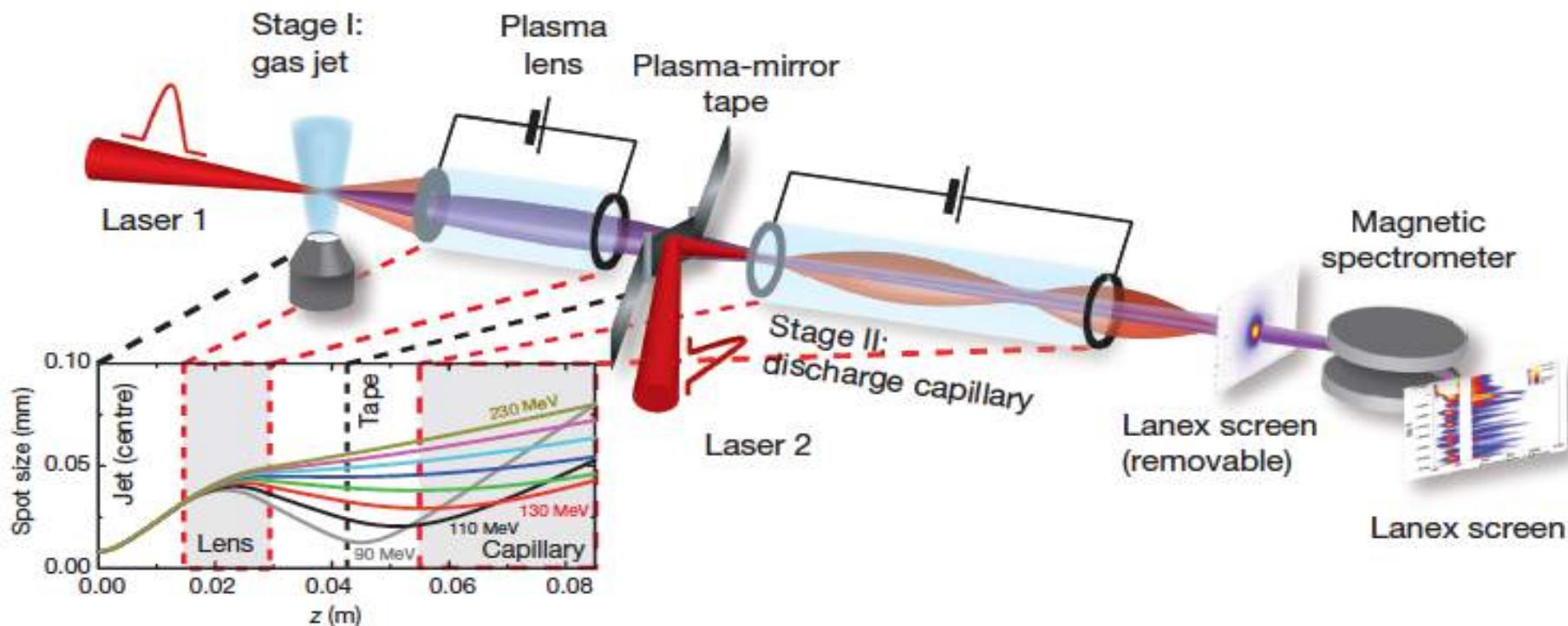
# Laser-Plasma-Accelerator LC

Leemans & Esarev. Physics Today (March 2009)



# Multistage coupling of independent laser-plasma accelerators

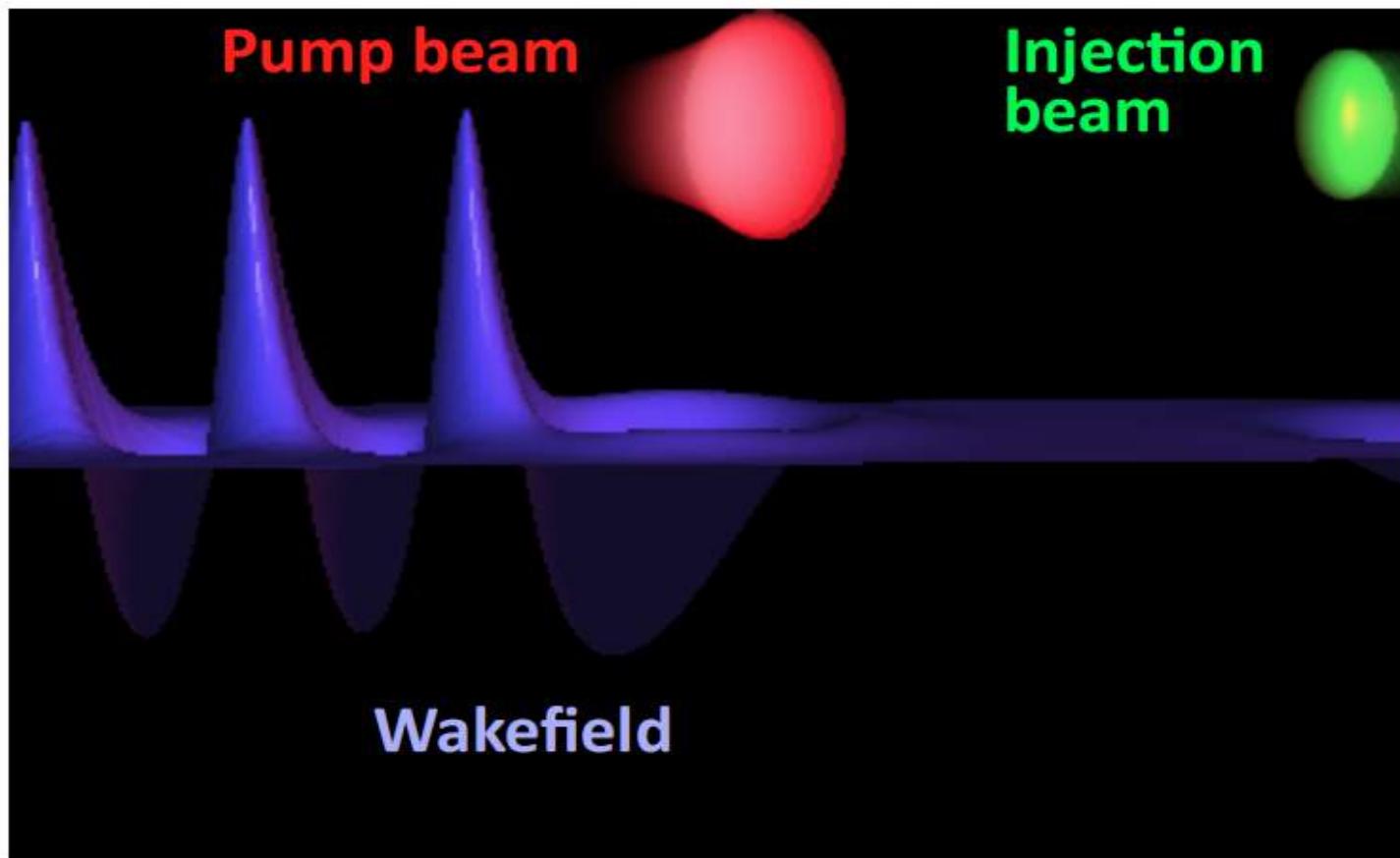
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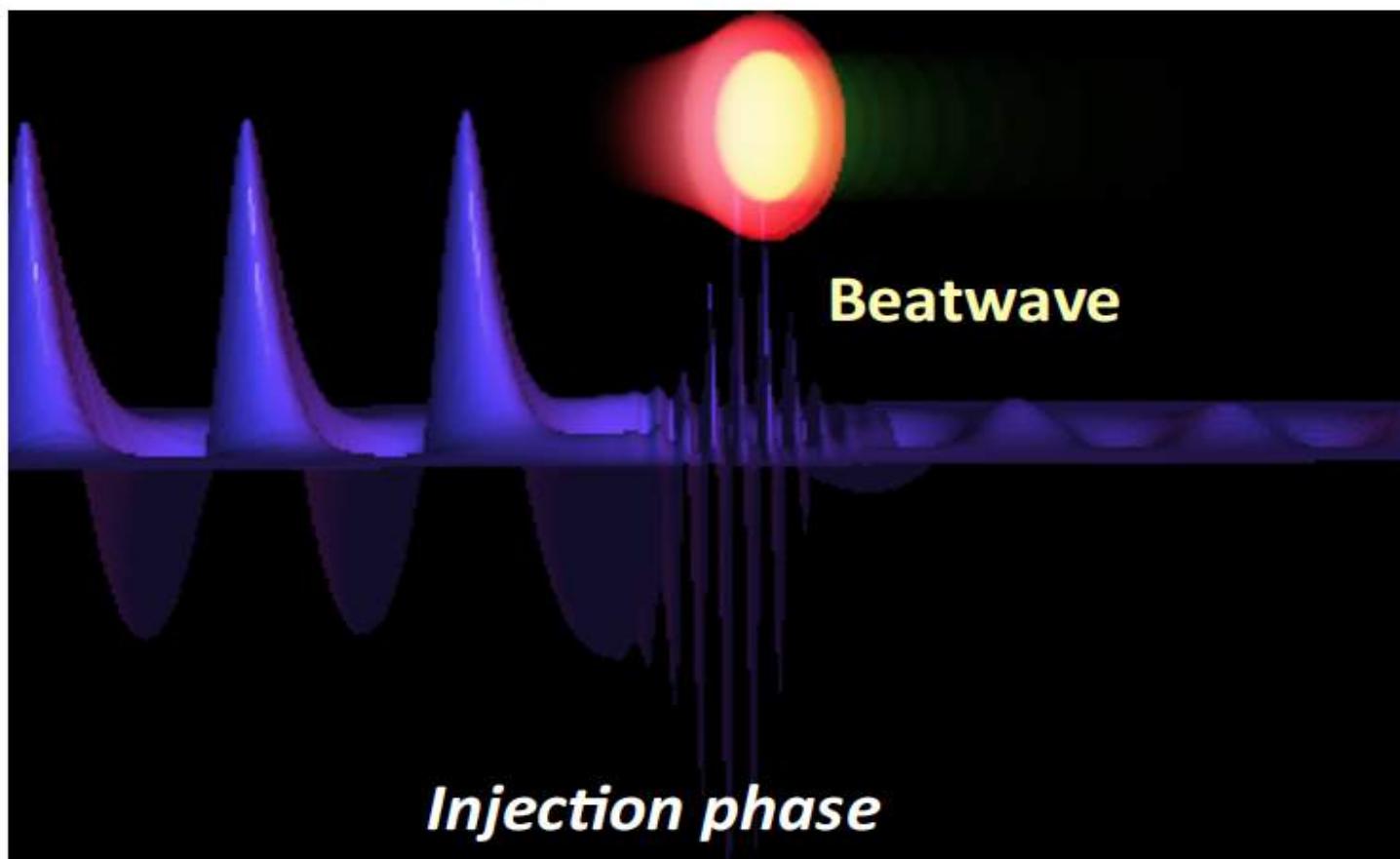
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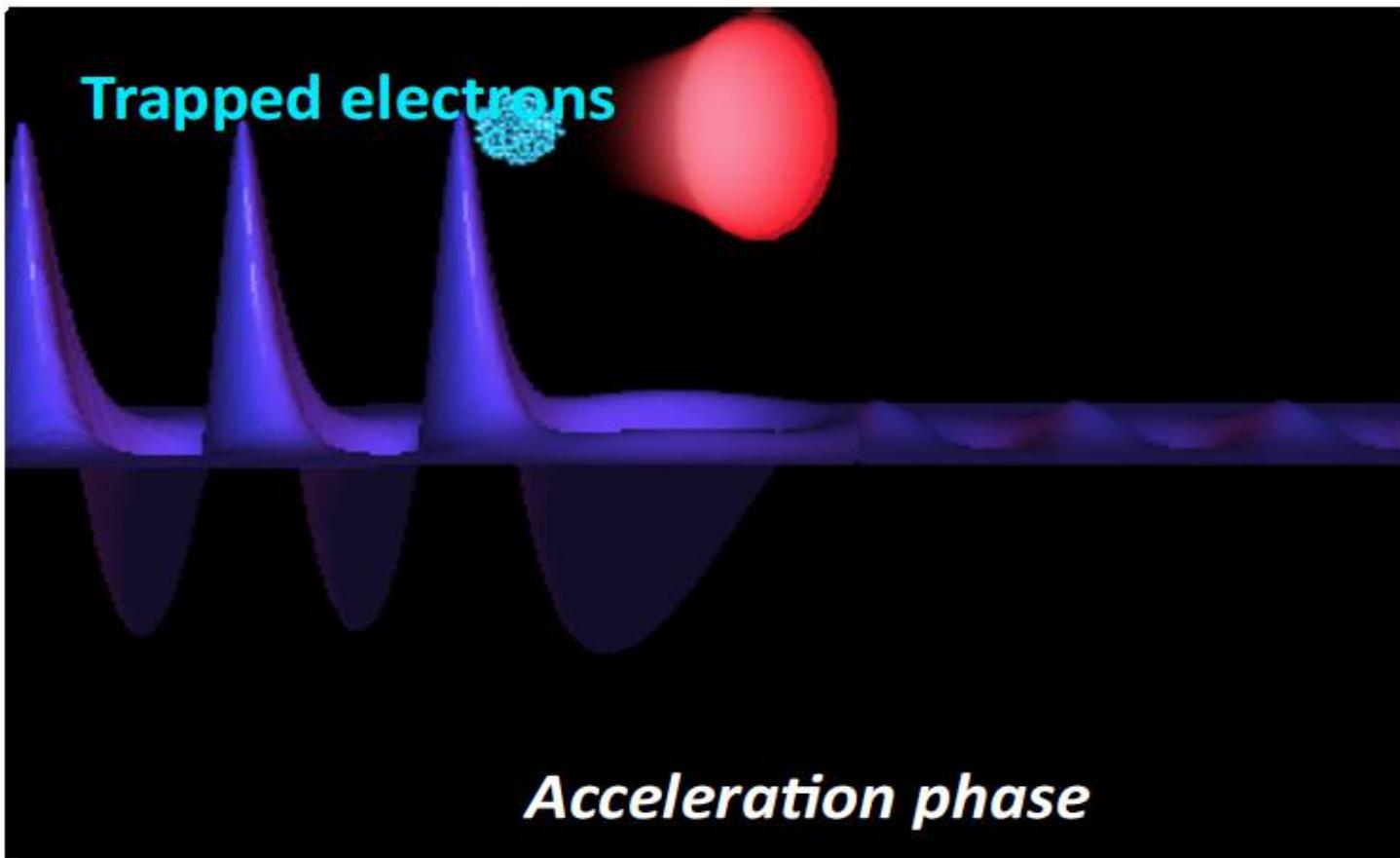
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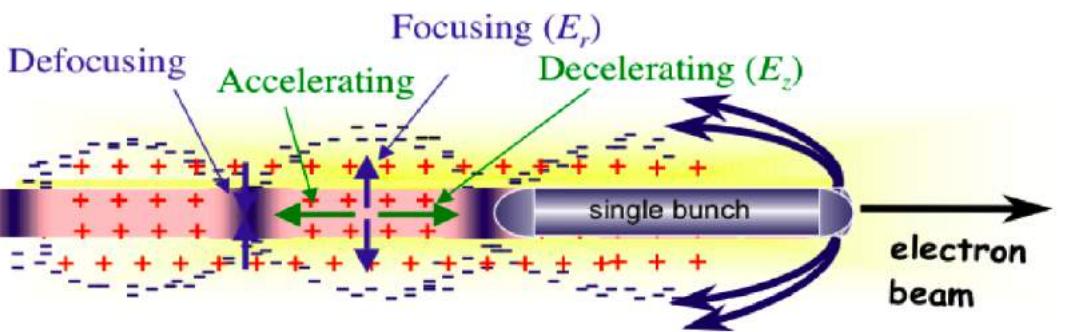
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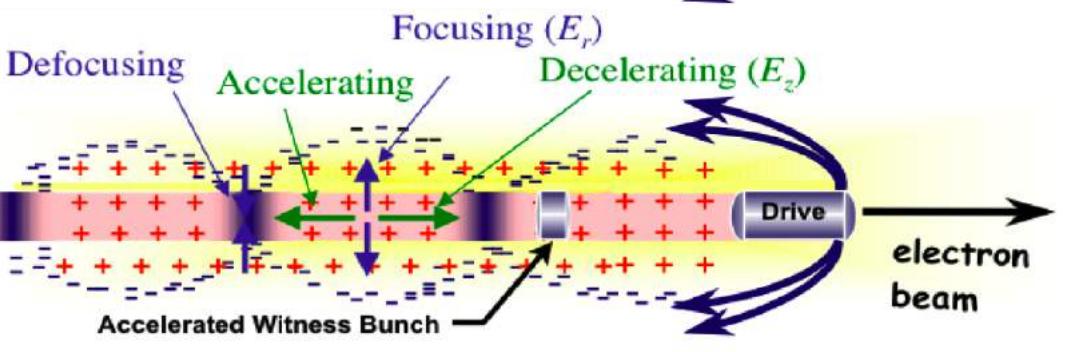
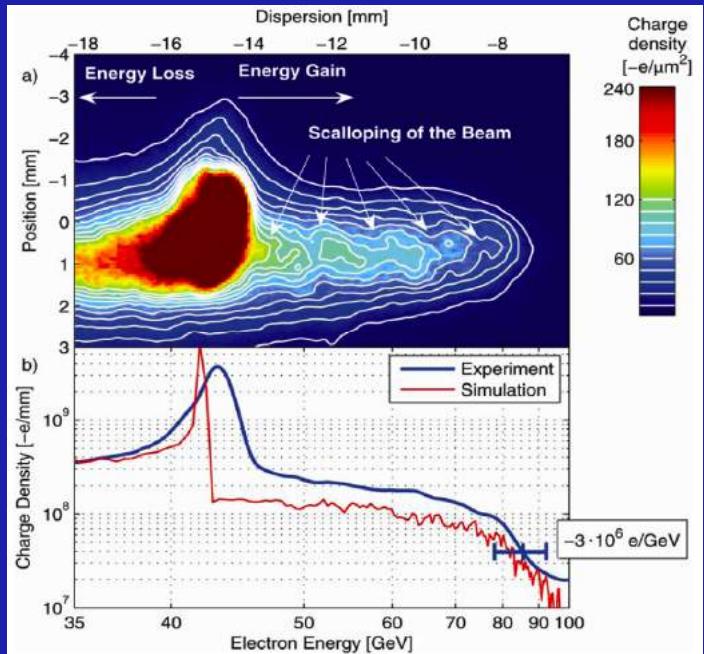
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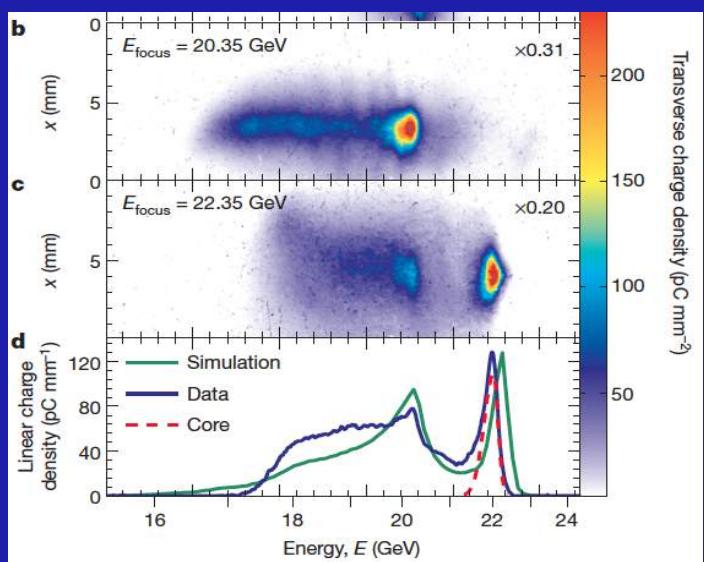
# Beam Driven Plasma



Blumenfeld, I. et al. *Energy doubling of 42 GeV electrons in a metre-scale plasma wakefield accelerator*. **Nature** 445, 741–744 (2007).



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# CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF THE DRIVE BEAM FOR A PWFA-LC\*

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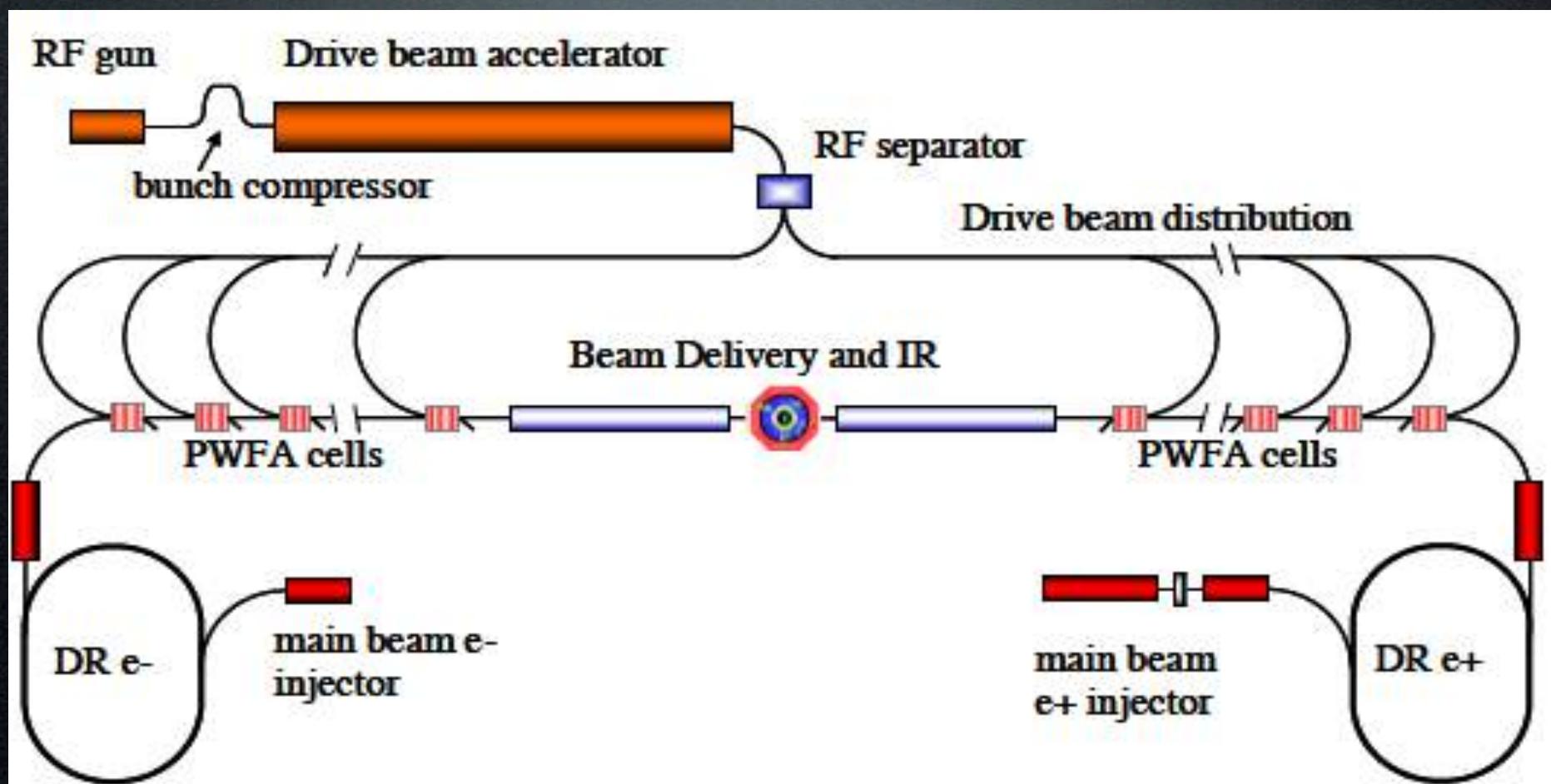


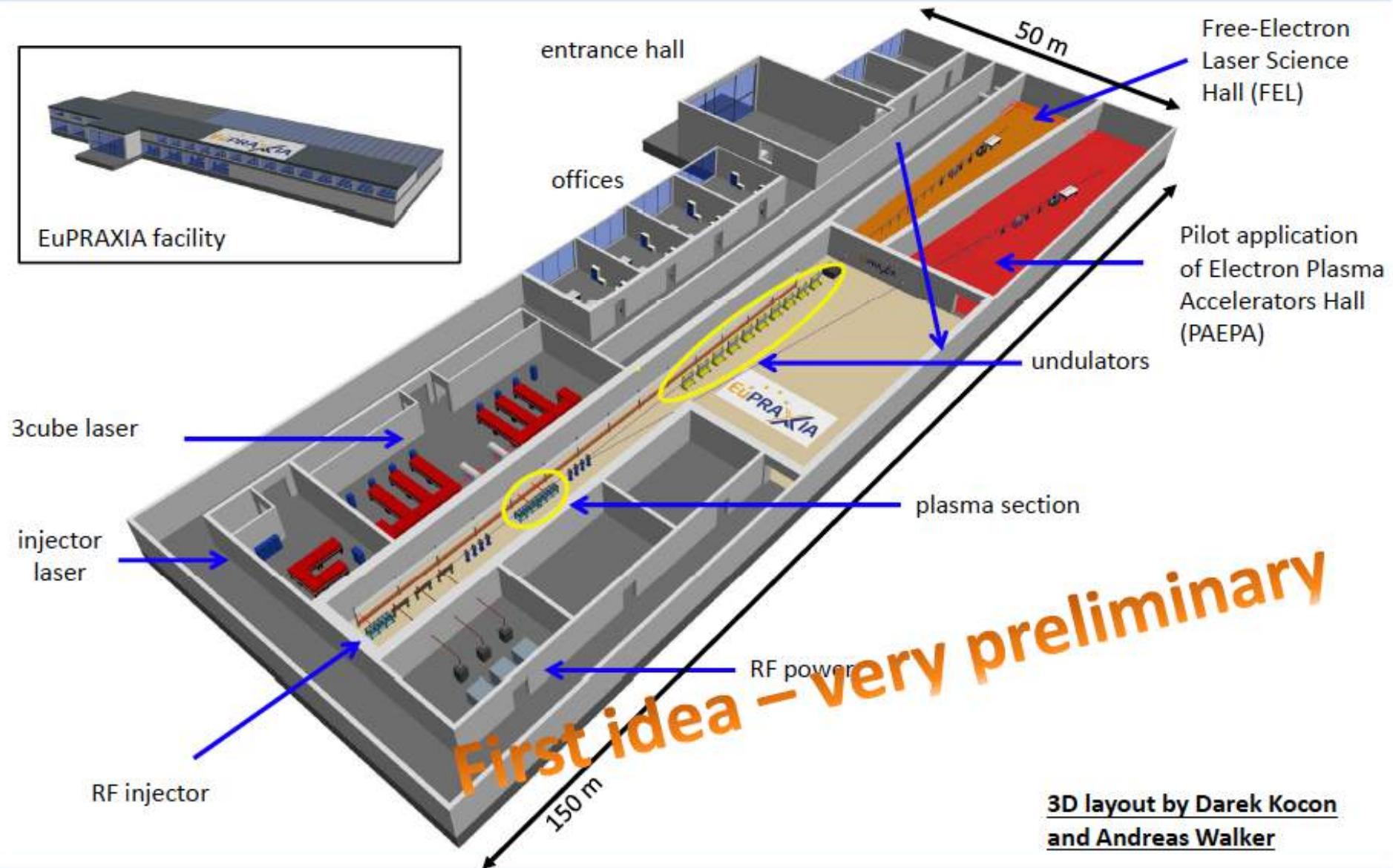
Fig. 1: Concept for a multi-stage PWFA Linear Collider.



# EUROPEAN PLASMA RESEARCH ACCELERATOR WITH EXCELLENCE IN APPLICATIONS

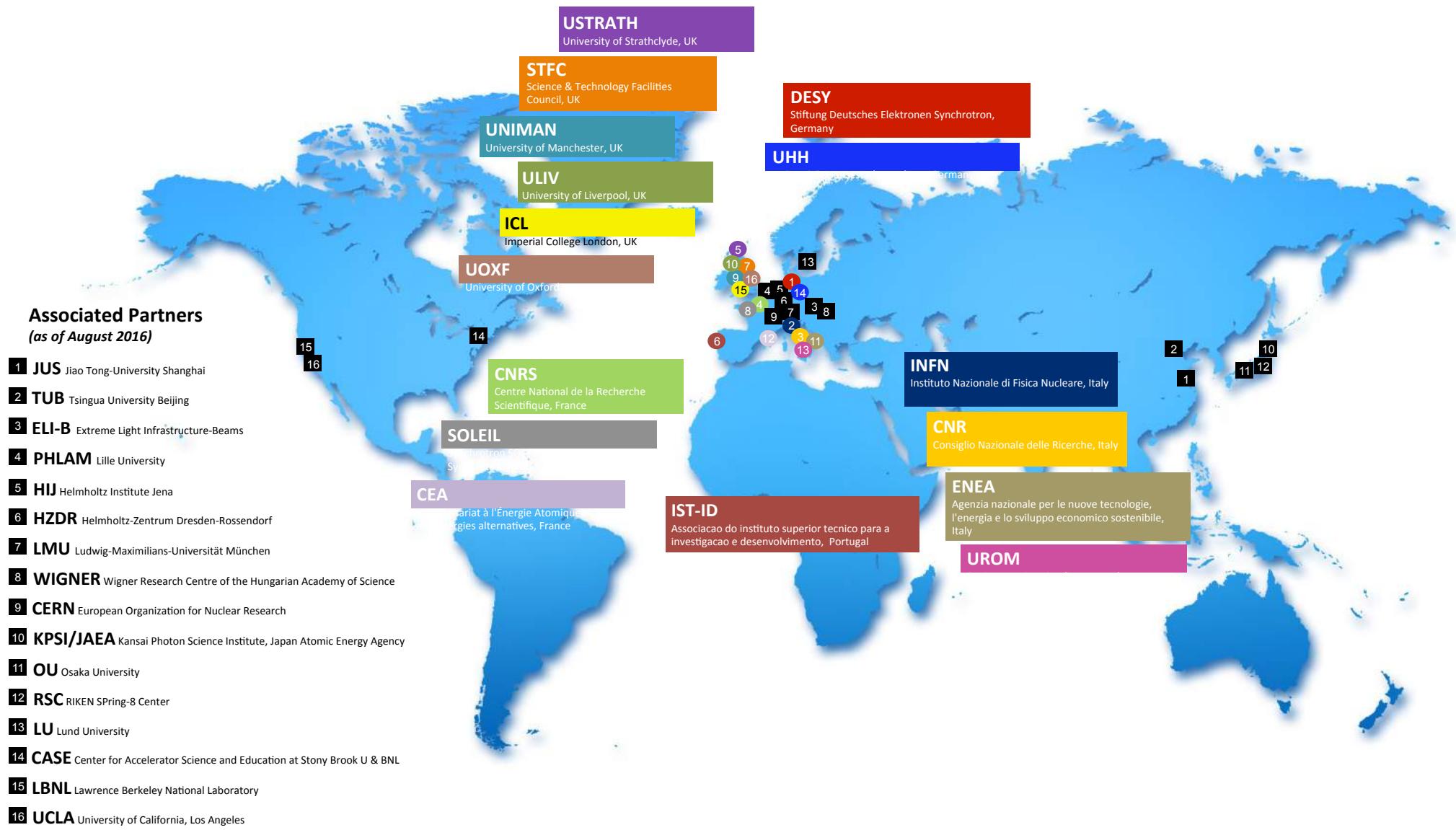


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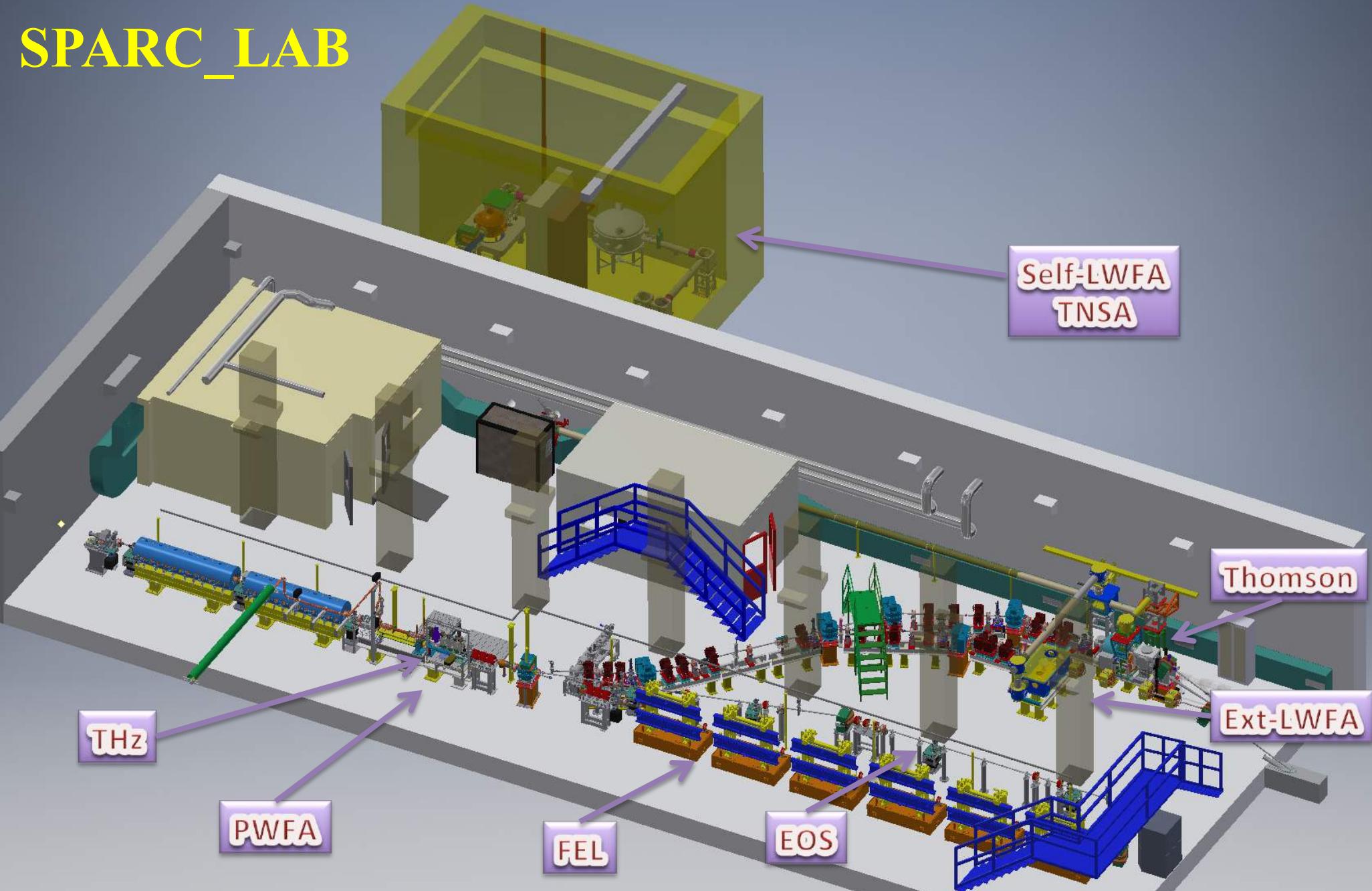


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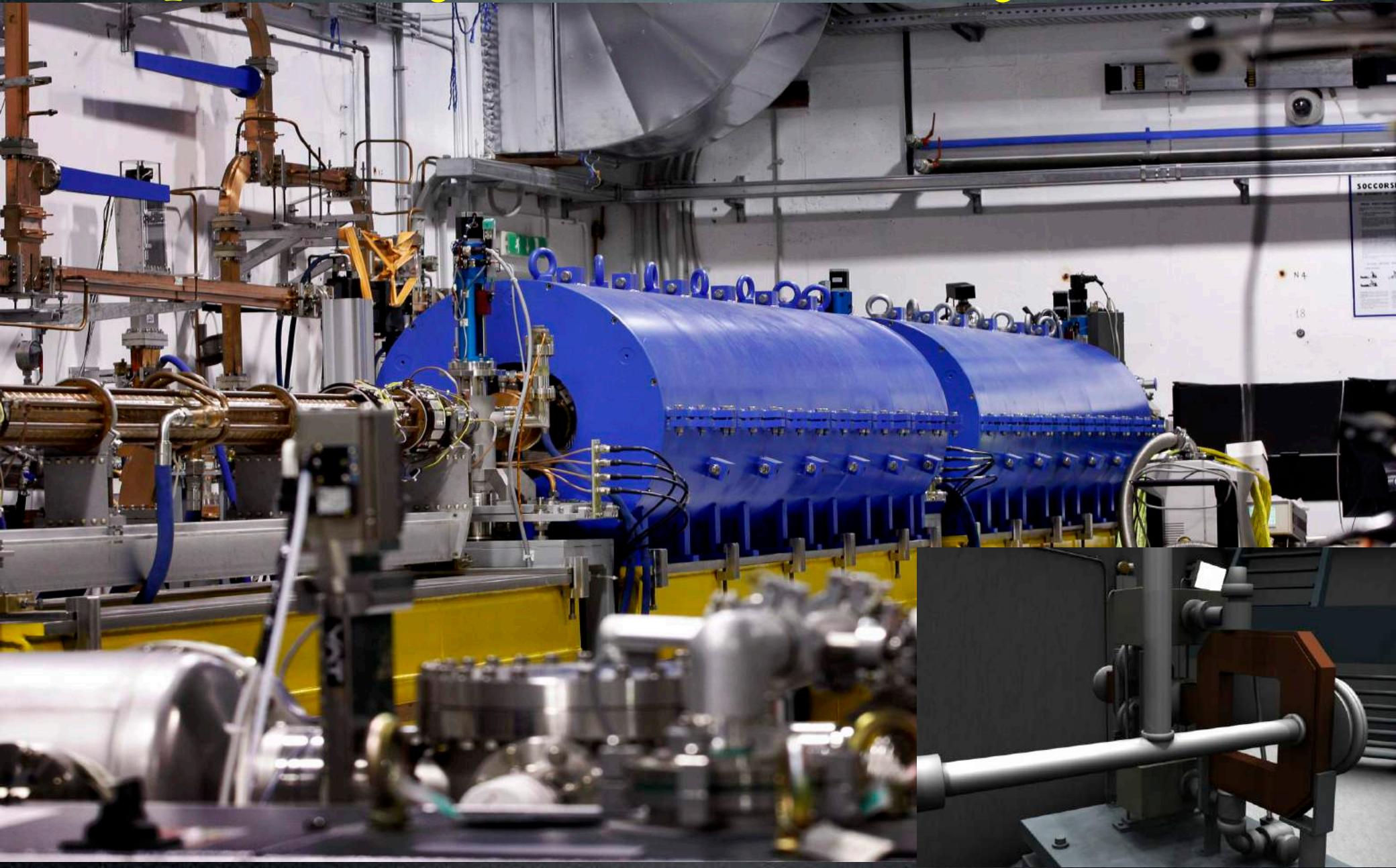
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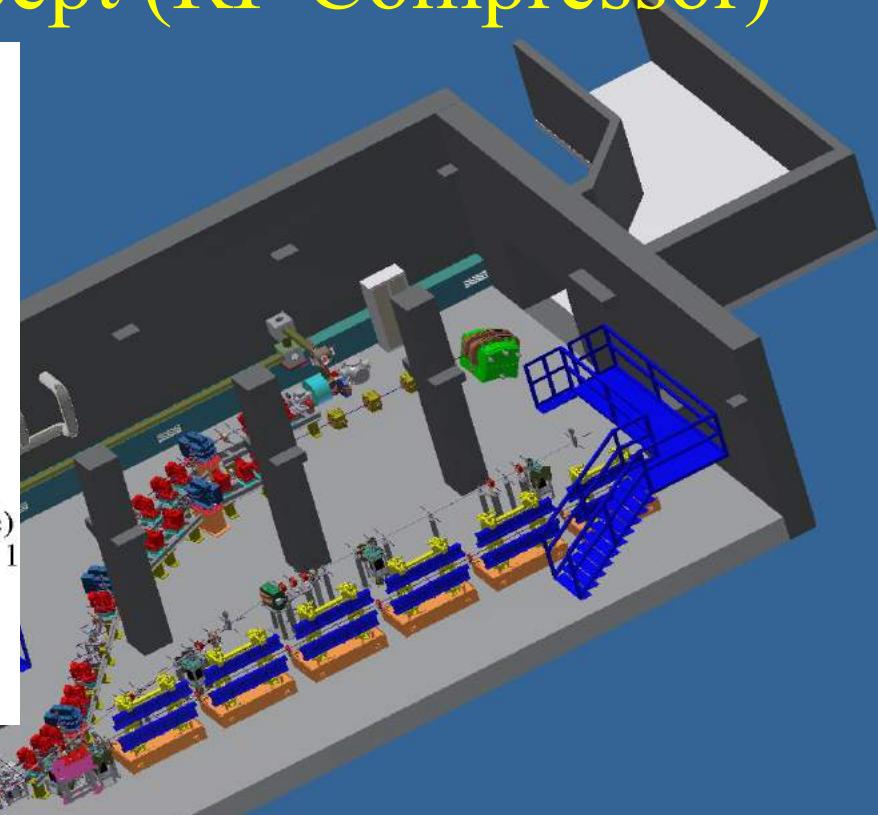
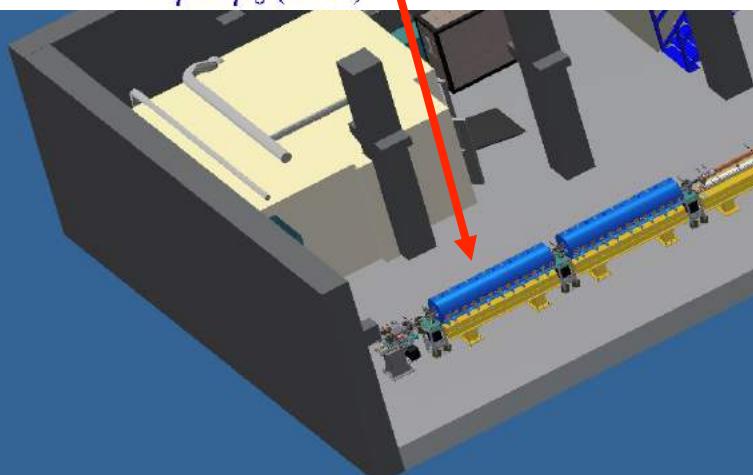
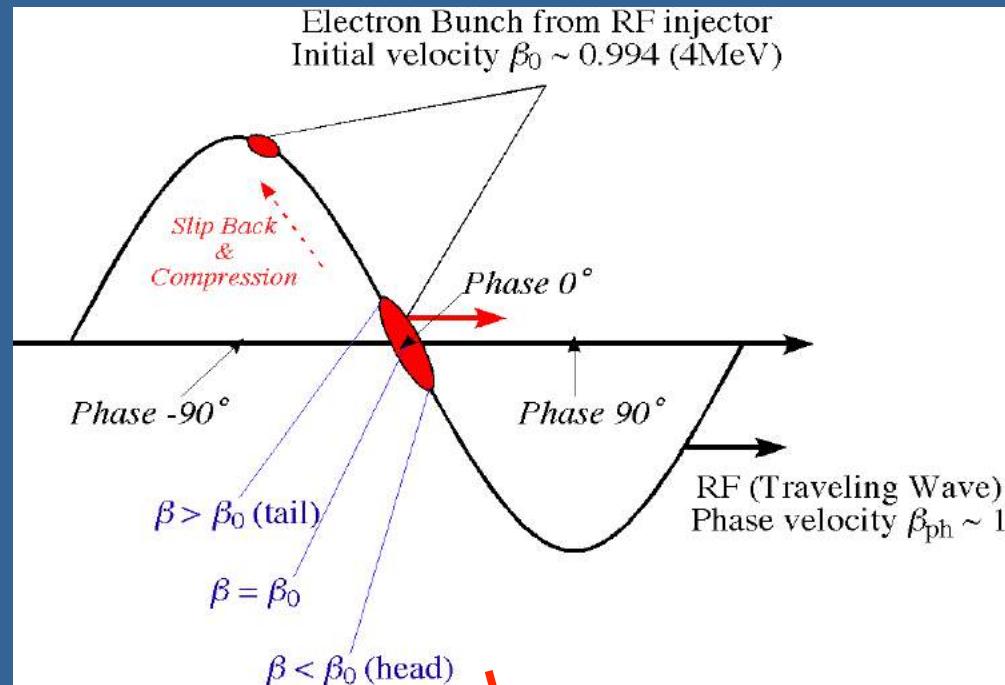
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# HB photo- injector with Velocity Bunching



# Velocity bunching concept (RF Compressor)

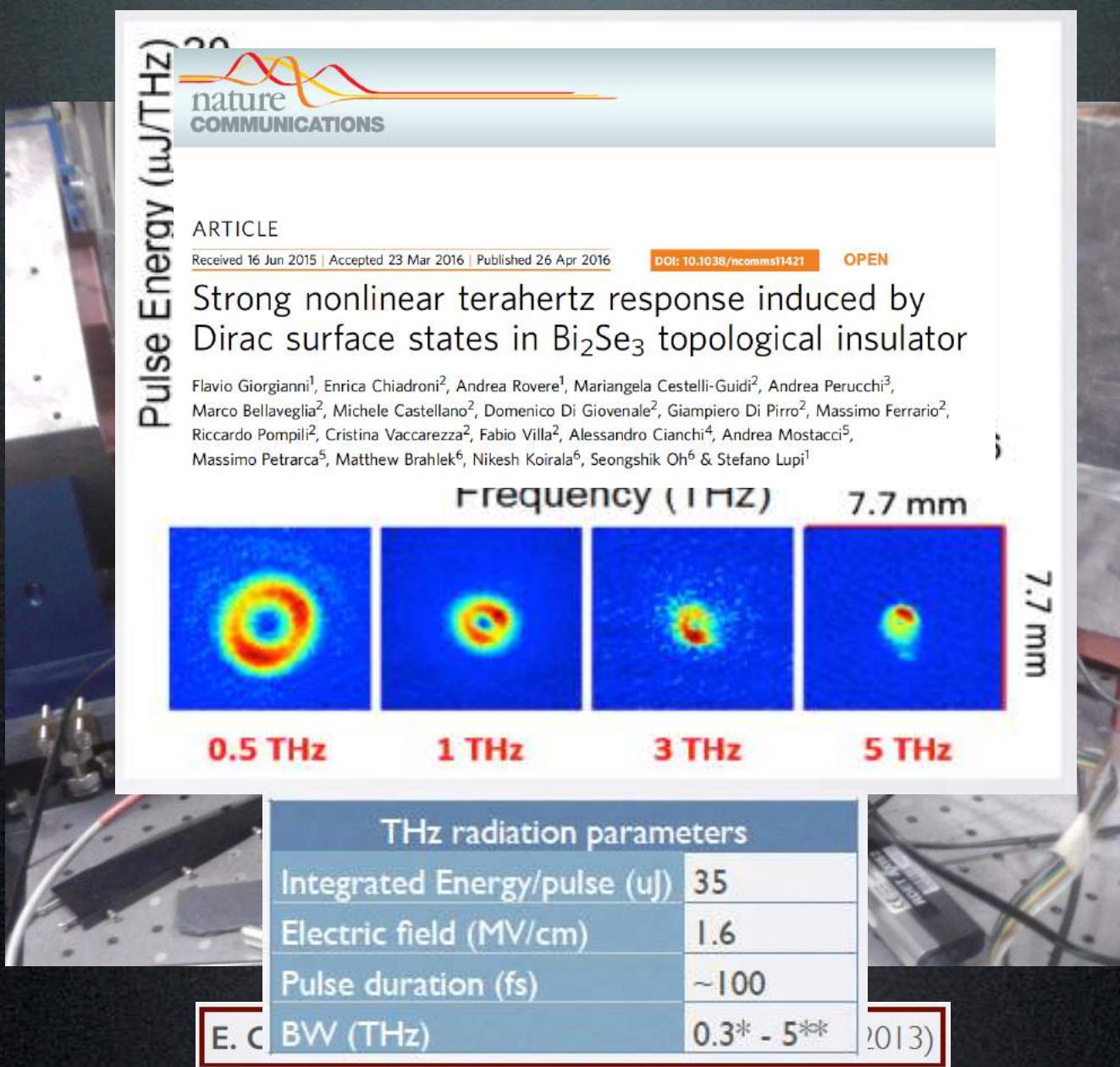


If the beam injected in a long accelerating structure at the crossing field phase and it is slightly slower than the phase velocity of the RF wave , it will slip back to phases where the field is accelerating, but at the same time it will be chirped and compressed.

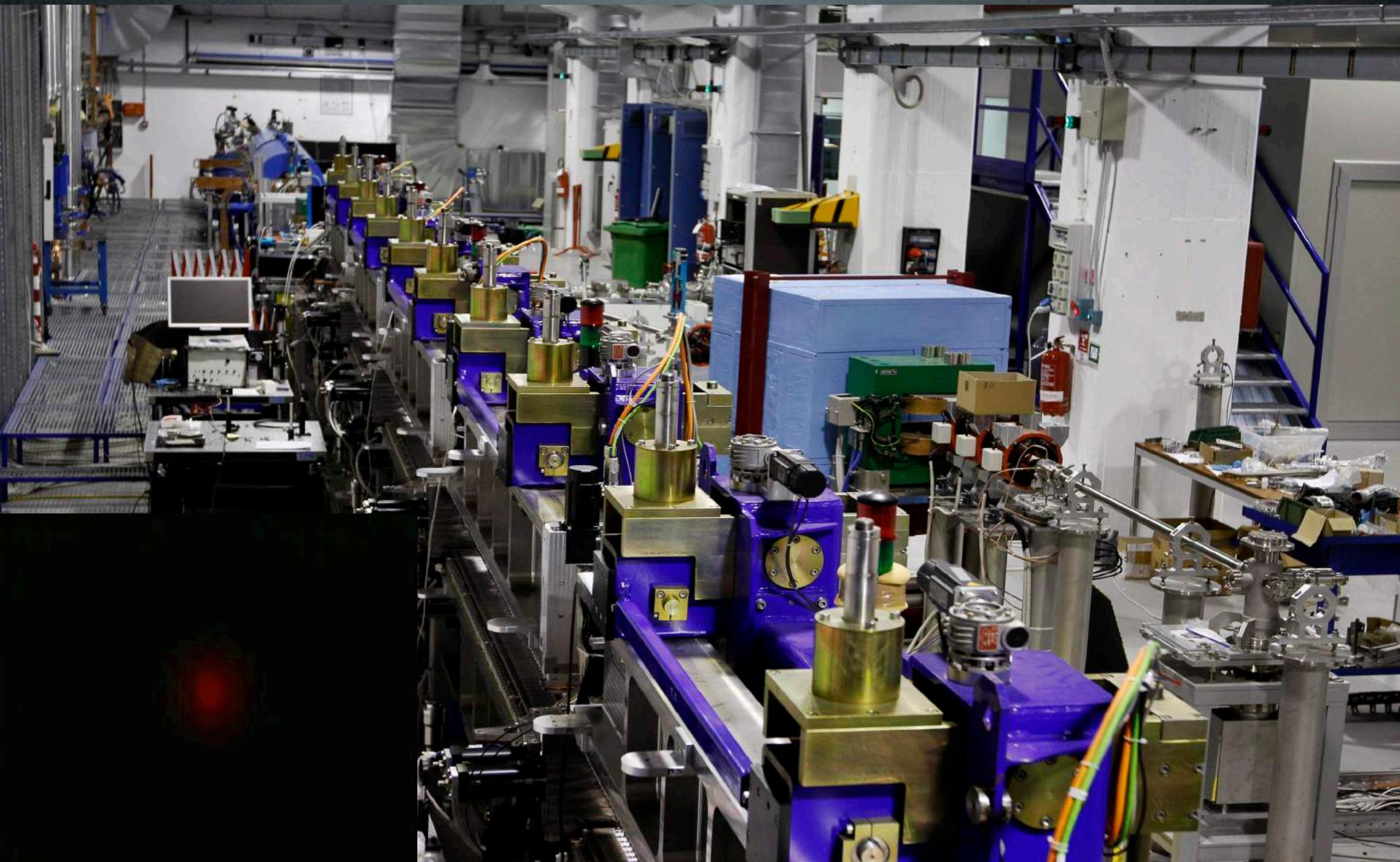
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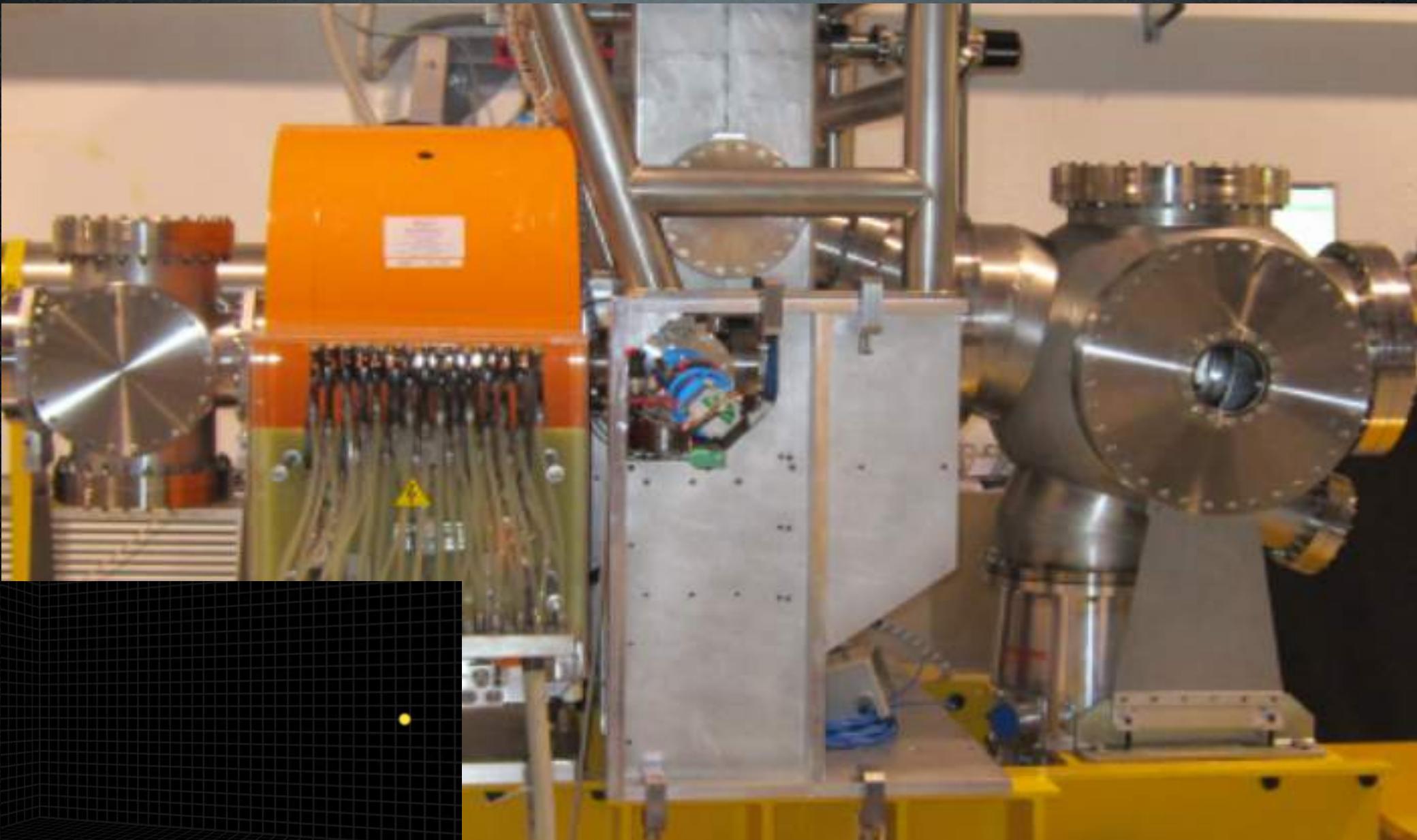
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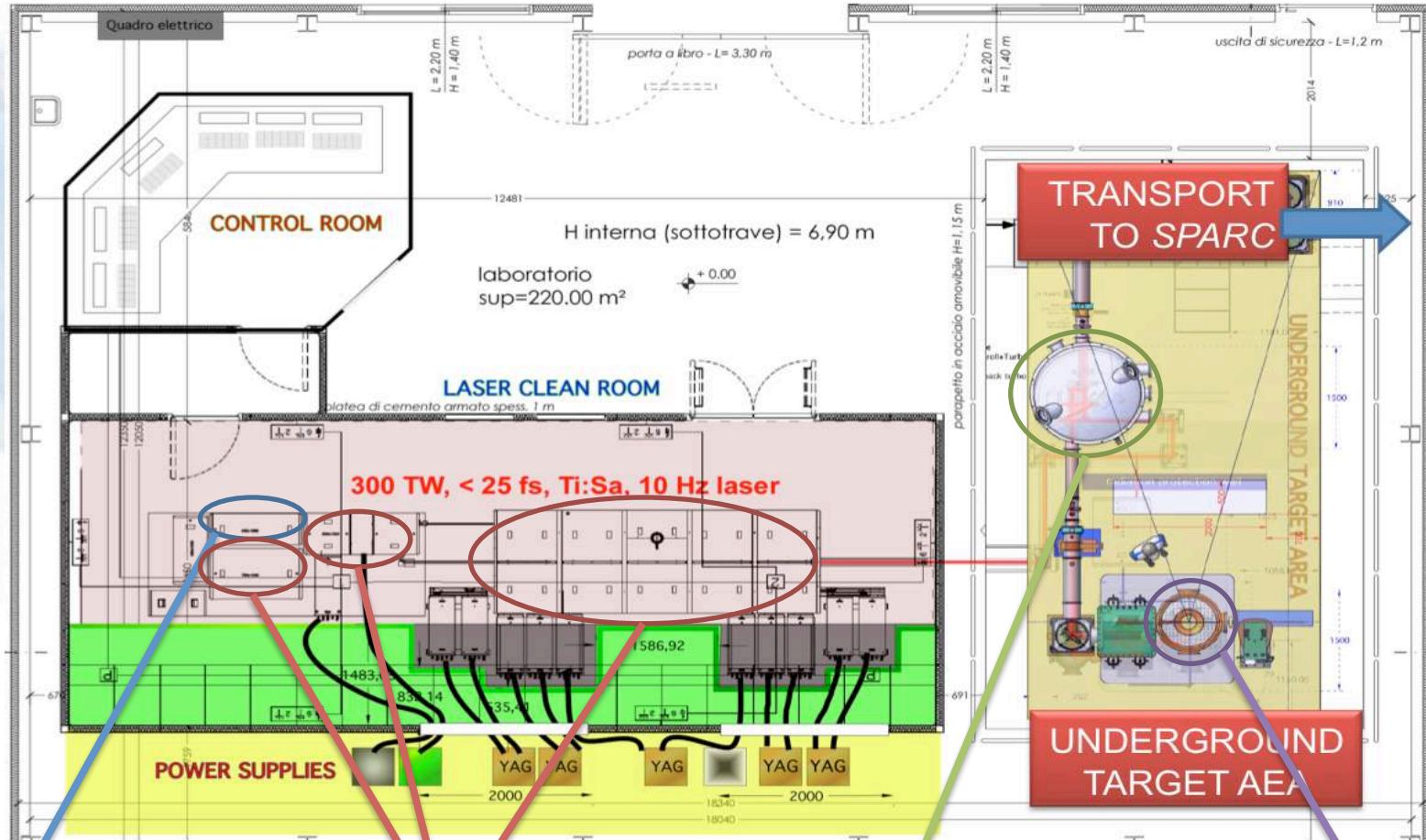
# Free Electron Laser



# Thomson back-scattering source



# Ti:Sa FLAME laser



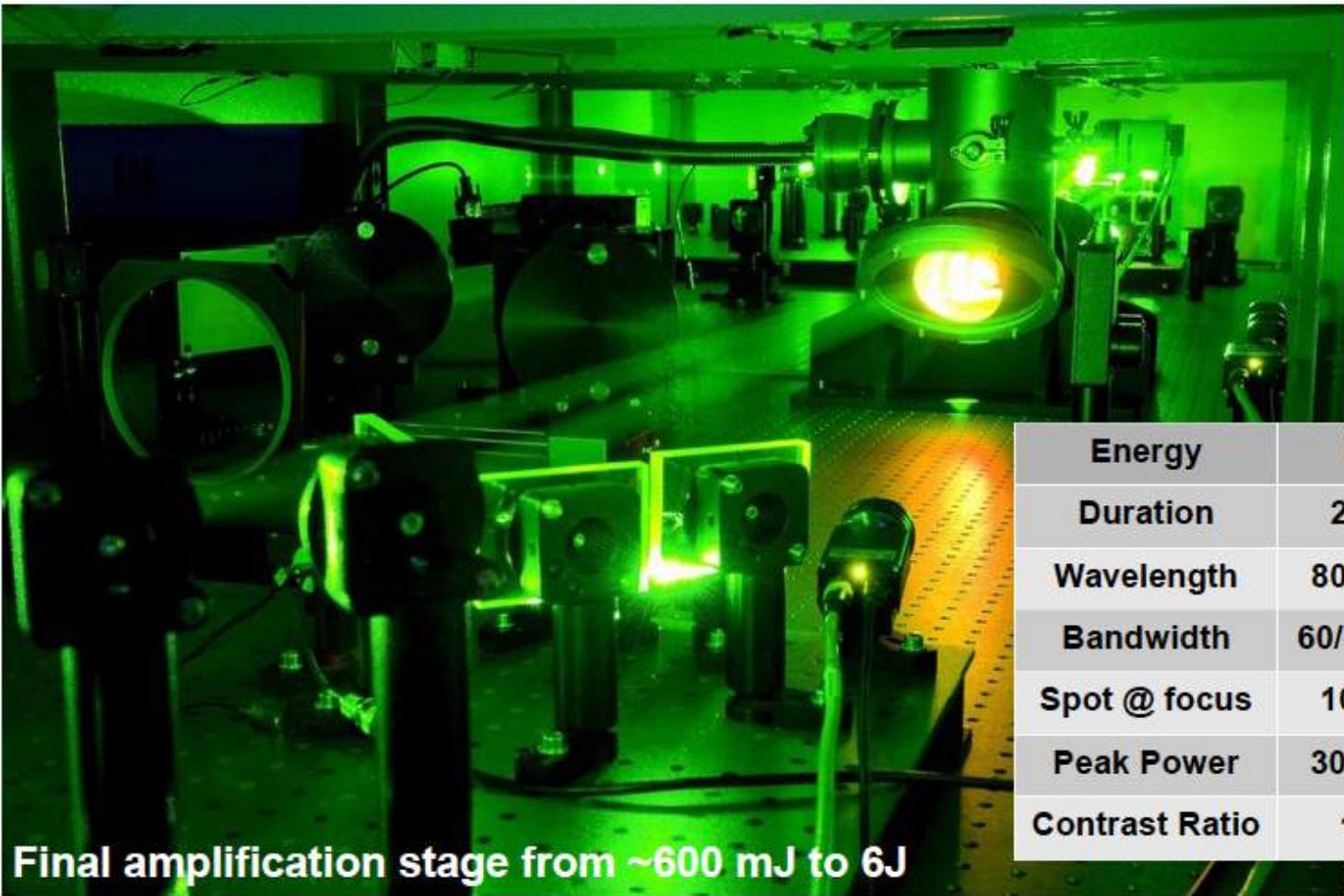
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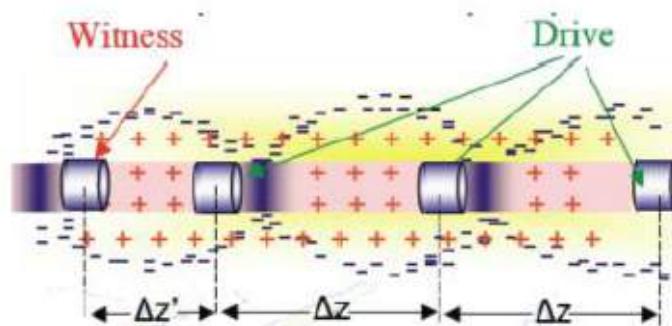
LWFA  
Electron Self Injection  
And  
Protons

# Ti:Sa FLAME laser



# Plasma-based acceleration techniques

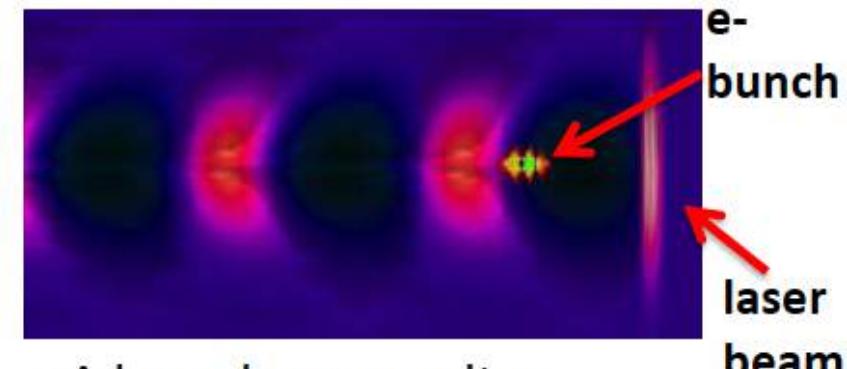
## resonant-PWFA



- A train of three electron bunches (driver bunches) is sent through a capillary discharge
- A resonant plasma wave is then excited in plasma
- A fourth electron beam (witness beam) uses this wave to be accelerated

$$\begin{aligned}n_e &= 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ \lambda_p &= 300 \mu\text{m} \\ \text{Capillary} & 1 \text{ mm} \\ \text{Hydrogen}\end{aligned}$$

## external injection LWFA



- A laser beam excites plasma waves in a capillary filled with gas
- A high brightness electron beam uses this wave to be accelerated

$$\begin{aligned}n_e &= 1 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ \lambda_p &= 100 \mu\text{m} \\ \text{Capillary} & 100 \mu\text{m} \\ \text{Hydrogen}\end{aligned}$$

# Laser Comb technique: generation of a train of short bunches

(Parmela code)

Charge vs. Time

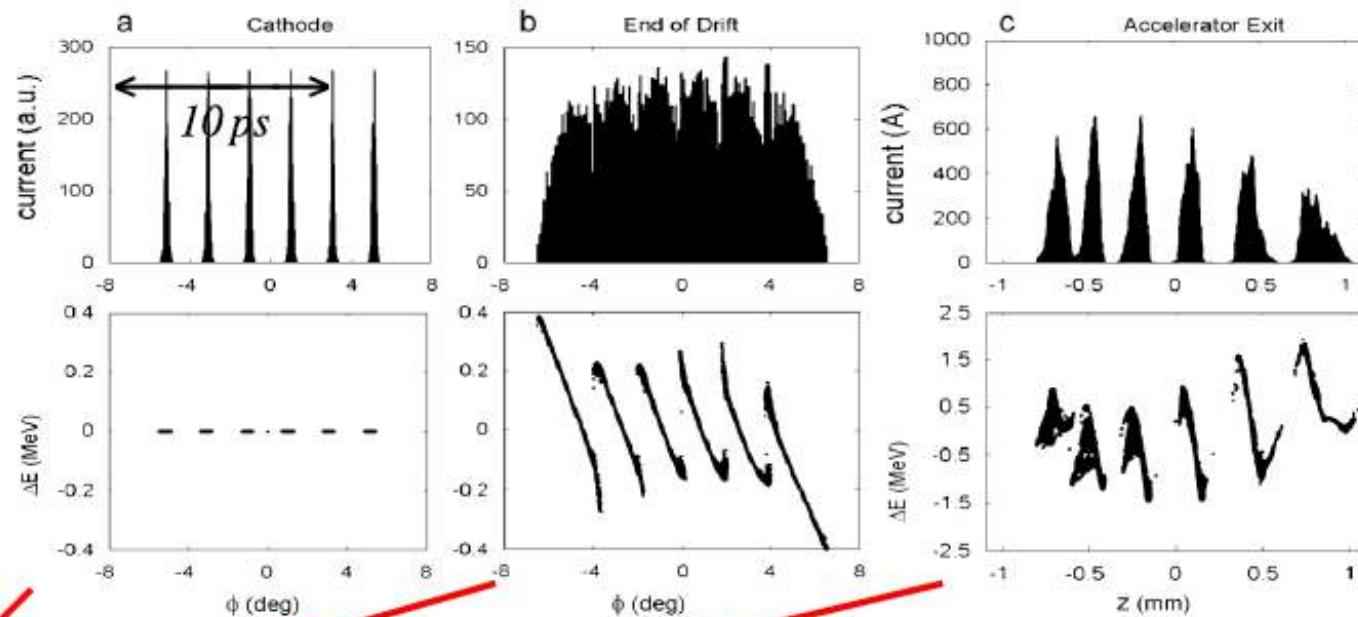
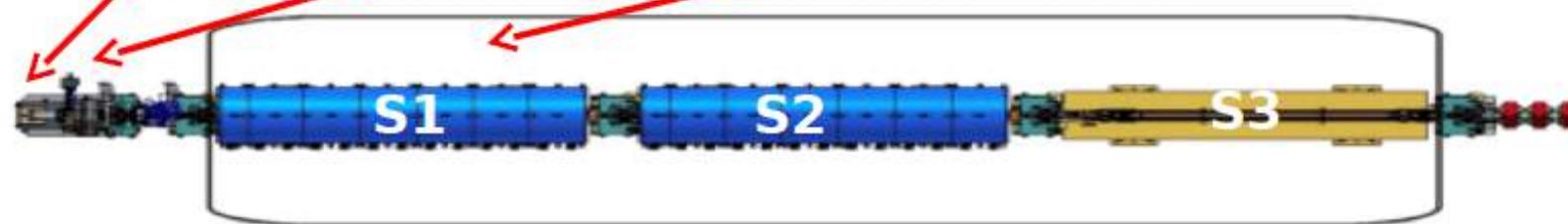
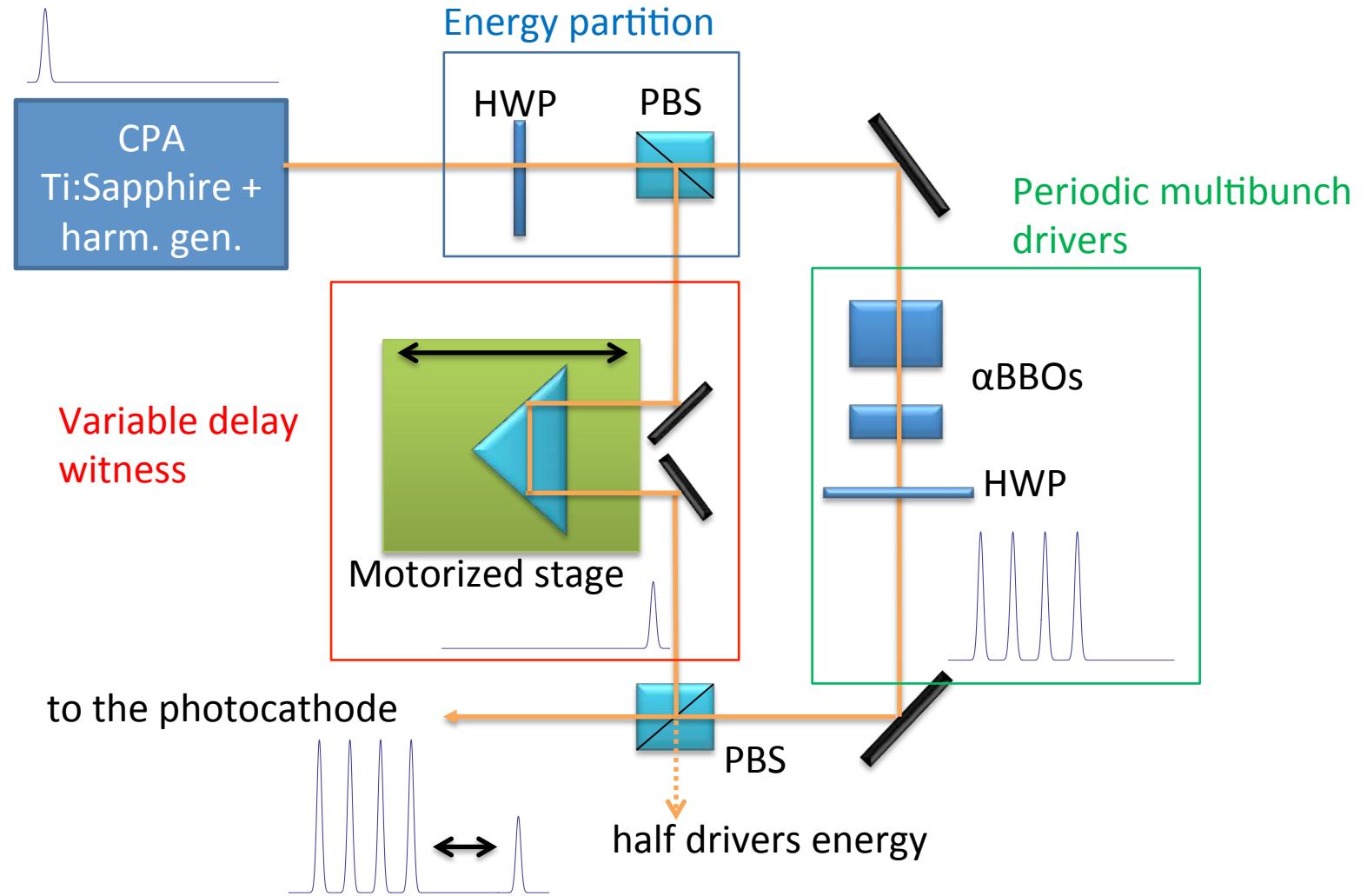


Fig. 1. Evolution of a six bunches electron beam train: the columns from left refer respectively to (a) the cathode; (b) the end of the drift at 150 cm and (c) the end of line: at 12 m far from cathode. The rows from top refer respectively to longitudinal profile and to energy modulation  $\Delta E$  (MeV).



- P.O.Shea et al., Proc. of 2001 IEEE PAC, Chicago, USA (2001) p.704. (Low charge regime only)
- M. Ferrario, M. Boscolo et al., Int. J. of Mod. Phys. B, 2006 (High charge, Beam Echo)

# Driving and witness bunches generation

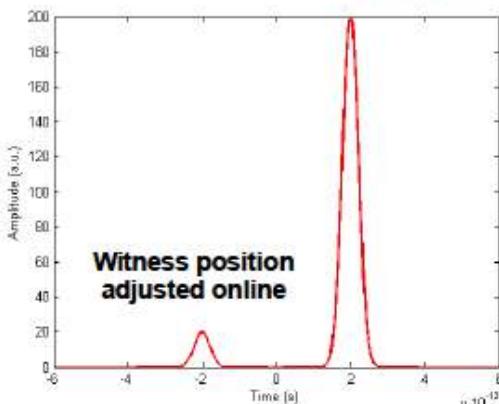


# VB dynamics: 1 driver + witness

Experimental results!

Laser profile on photo-cathode

Driver + witness (20 pC)



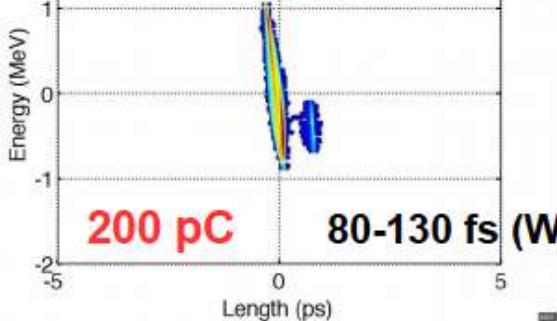
LPS at linac exit

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120-180 fs (D)

200 pC

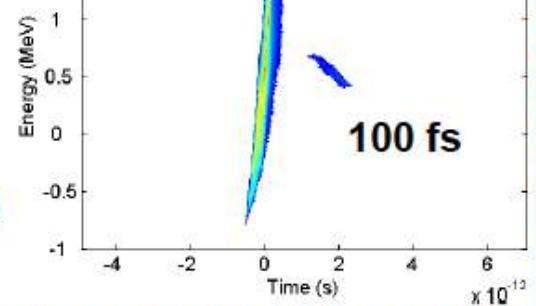
80-130 fs (W)



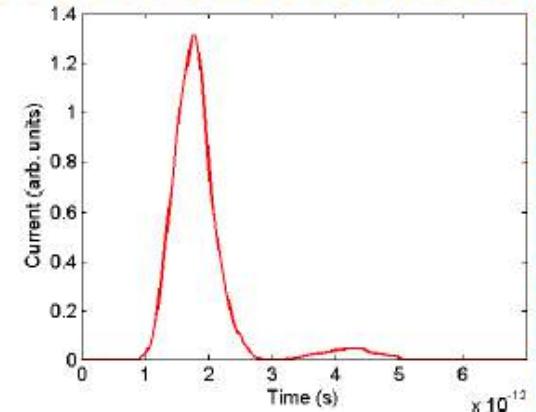
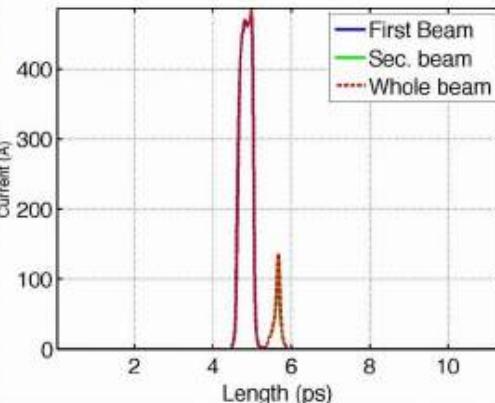
140 fs

400 pC

100 fs



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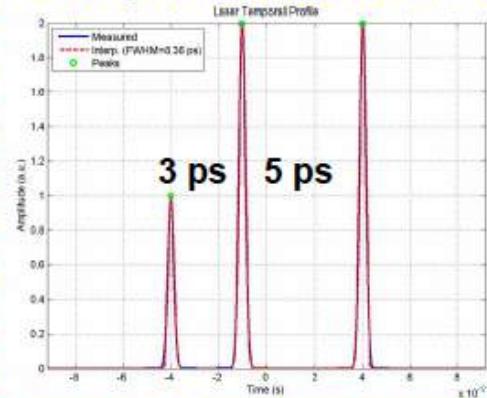
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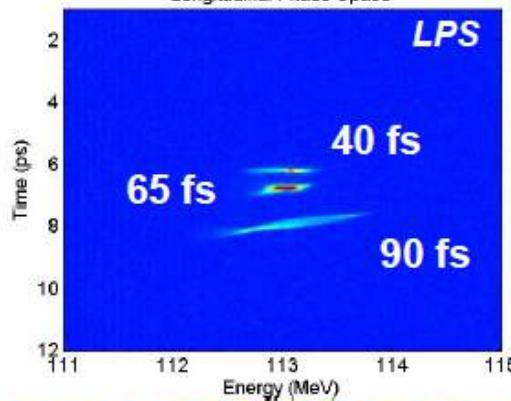
50 pC drivers + 20 pC witness

resonant scheme @  $n_p = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$   $\rightarrow$  bunch distance =  $\lambda_p \sim 1.1 \text{ ps}$

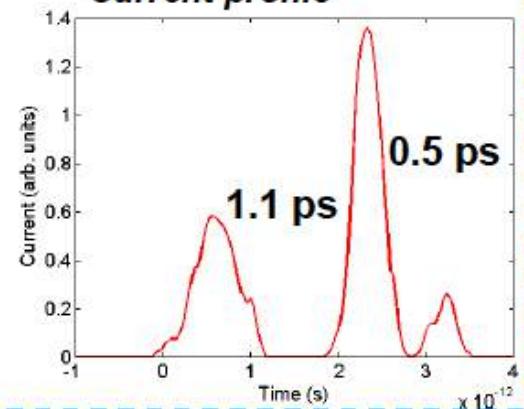
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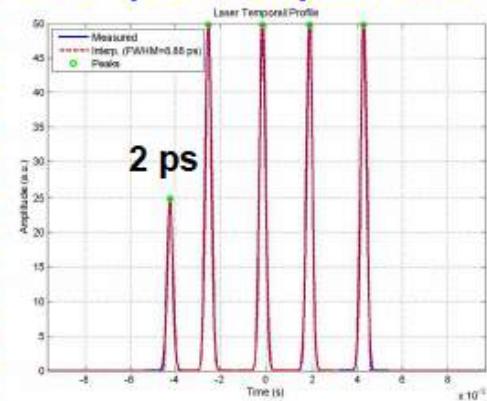
Longitudinal Phase Space



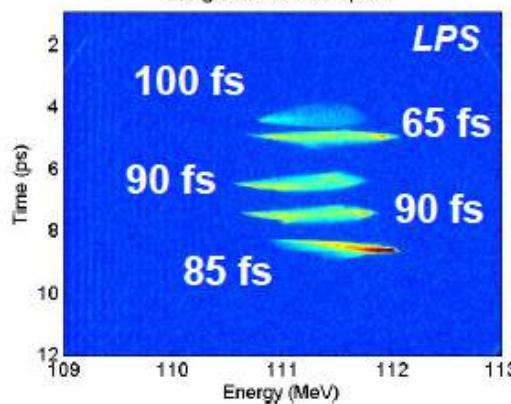
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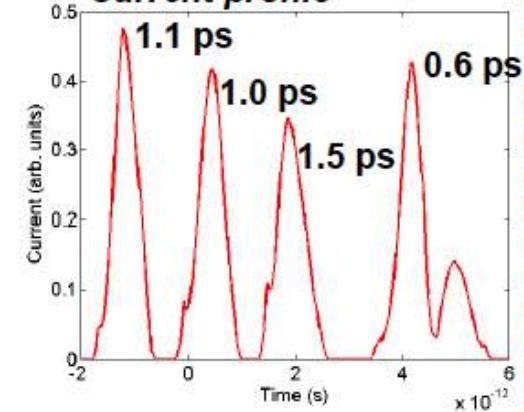
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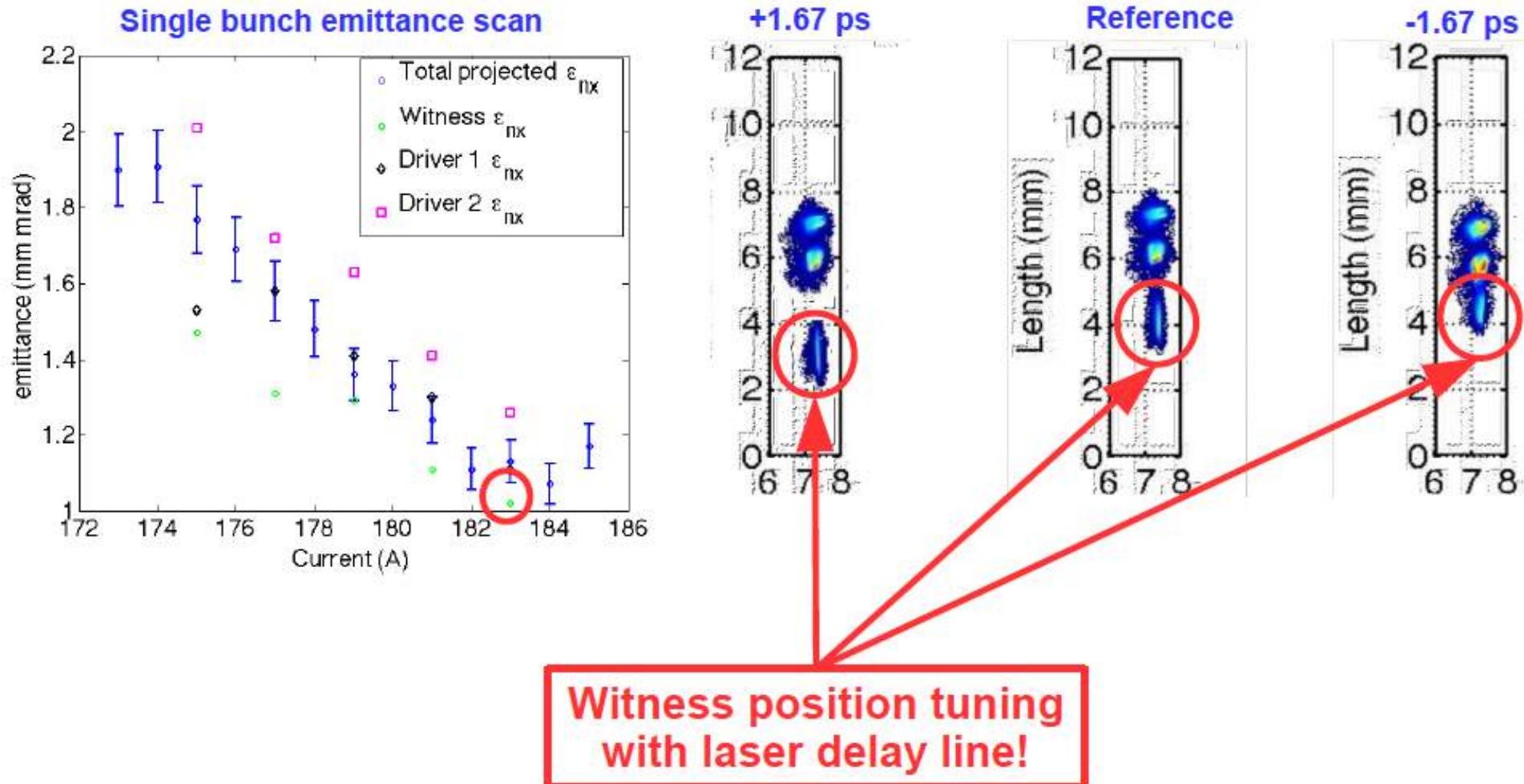
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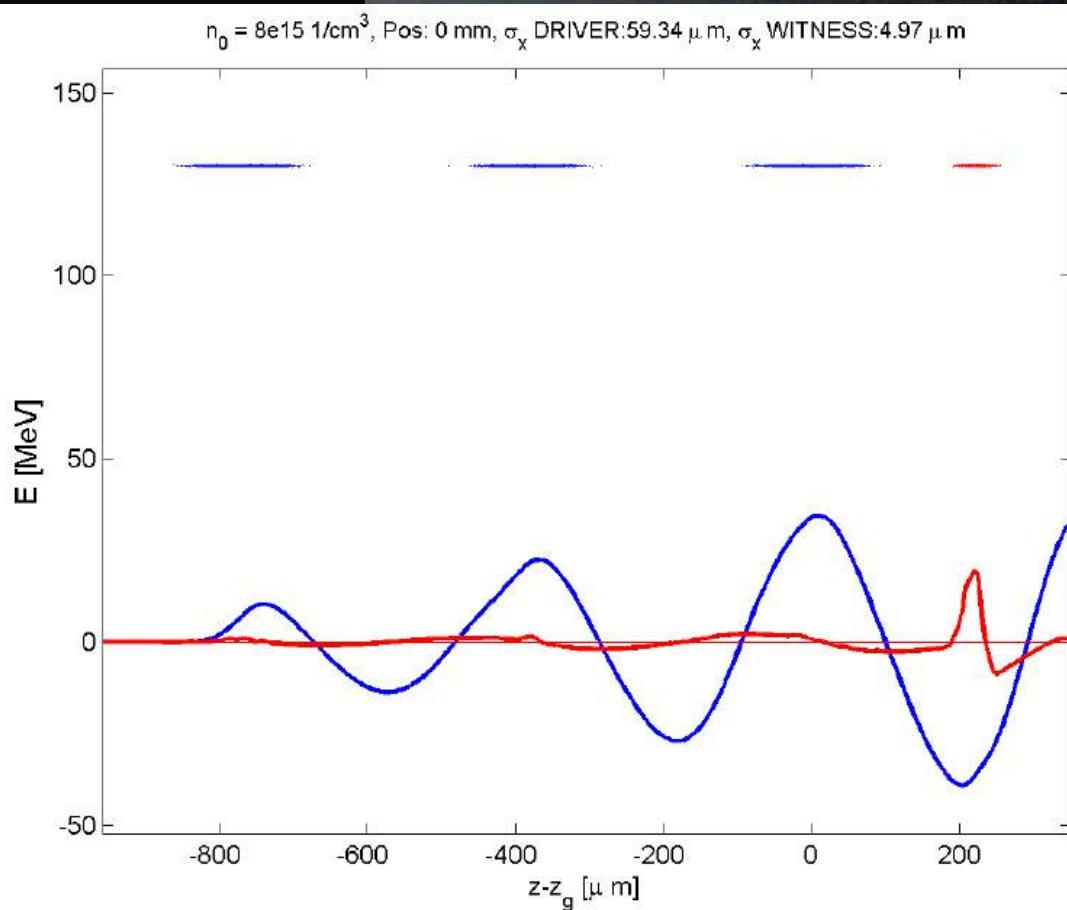


# *Witness – tuning and characterization*

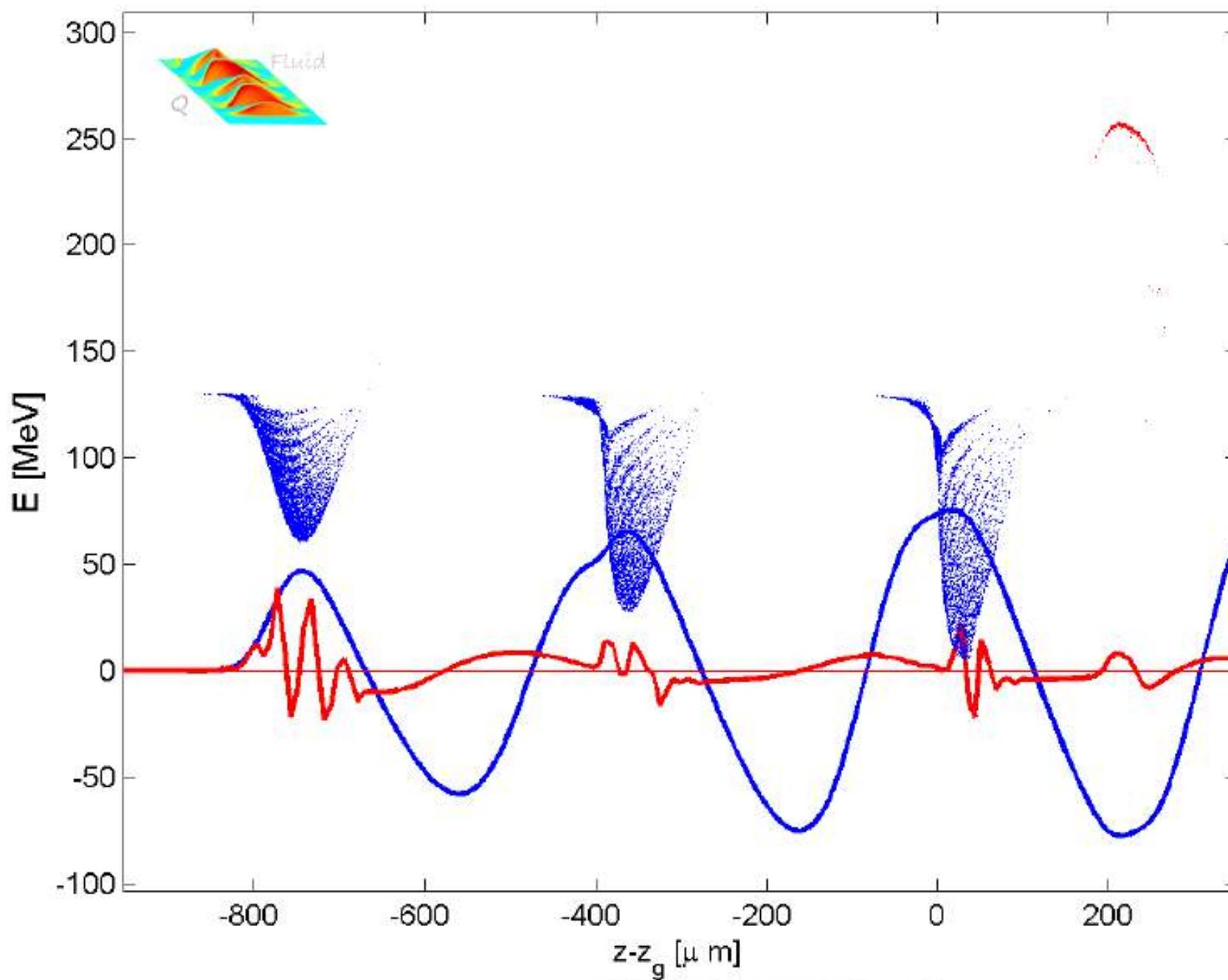


**no=0.75e16 1/cm<sup>3</sup> Lambda\_p=383 um,  
Lacc=10cm Ez=1.2GV/m**

	DRIVER (each, pC)	WITNESS
Charge (pC, each)	200	20
sigma_x (um)	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>
Sigma_z (um)	25	10



$n_0 = 8e15 \text{ 1/cm}^3$ , Pos: -100 mm,  $\sigma_x$  DRIVER:369.91  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_x$  WITNESS:42.87  $\mu\text{m}$



# MULTIBUNCH PWFA

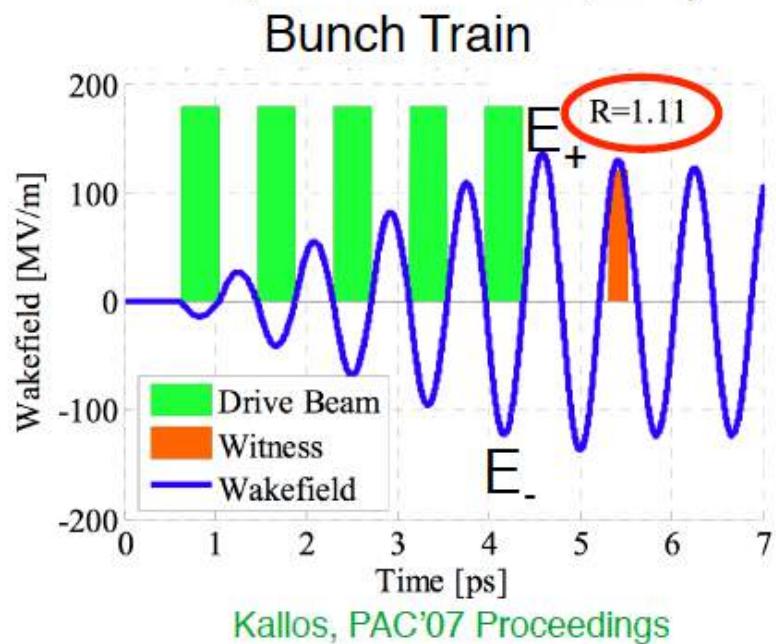
Transformer Ratio:  $R = E_+ / E_-$

Energy Gain:  $\leq RE_0$

$\sigma_r=125 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $n_e=1.8 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $\lambda_p=250 \mu\text{m}$

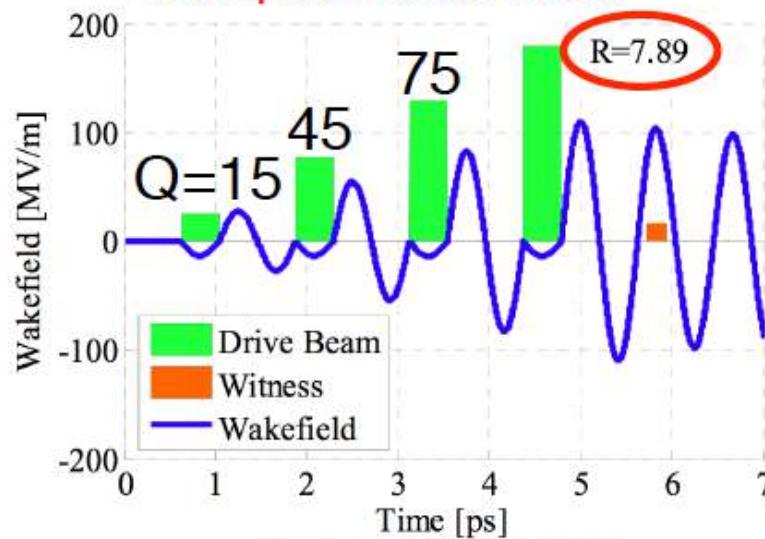
$E_0$ : incoming energy

$Q=30 \text{ pC/bunch}$ ,  $\Delta z=250 \mu\text{m} \approx \lambda_p$



$\Delta z=375 \mu\text{m} \approx 1.5\lambda_p$

Ramped Bunch Train\*



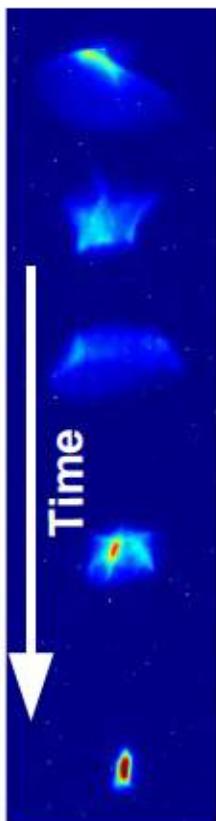
→ Linear (2D) theory for  $n_b \ll n_e$ !

→  $R=7.9 \Rightarrow$  multiply energy by  $\sim 8$  in a single PWFA stage!

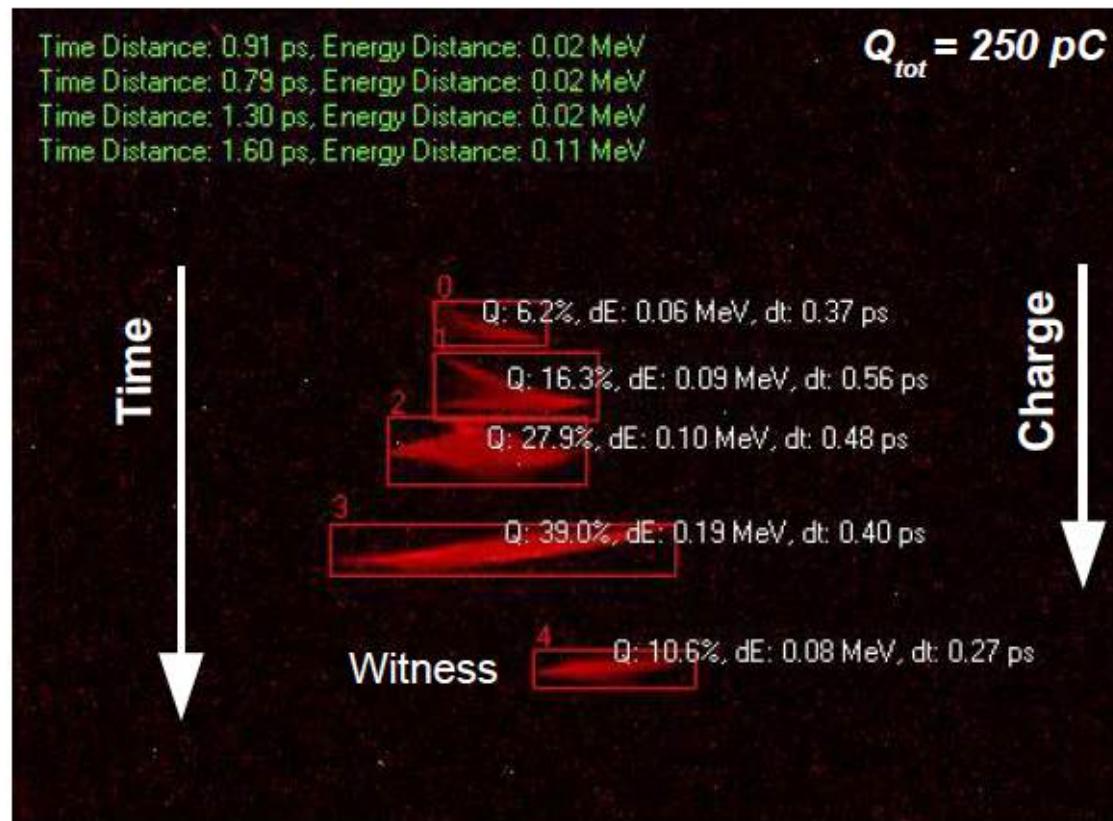


# Ramped comb beams

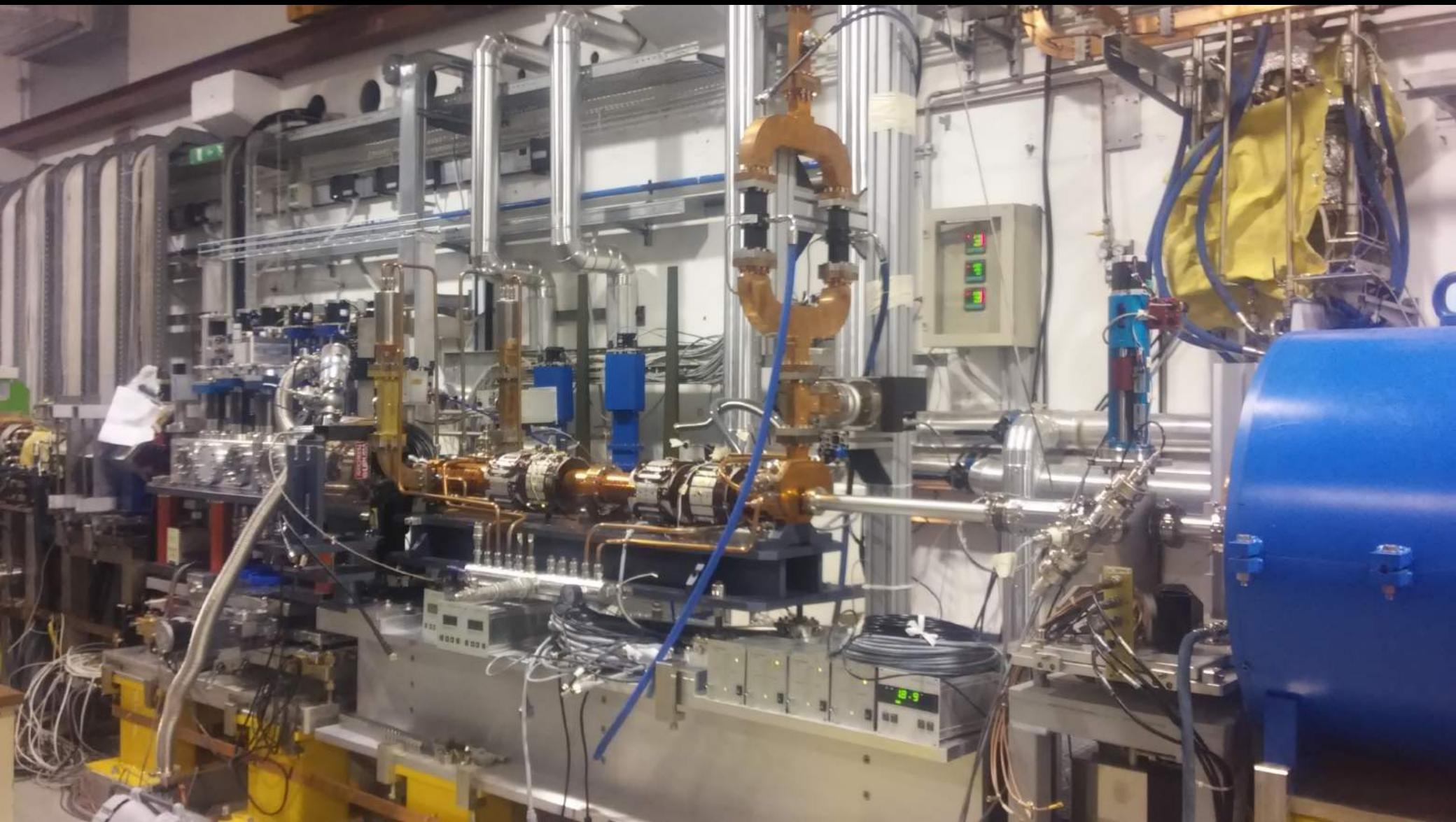
z-x view



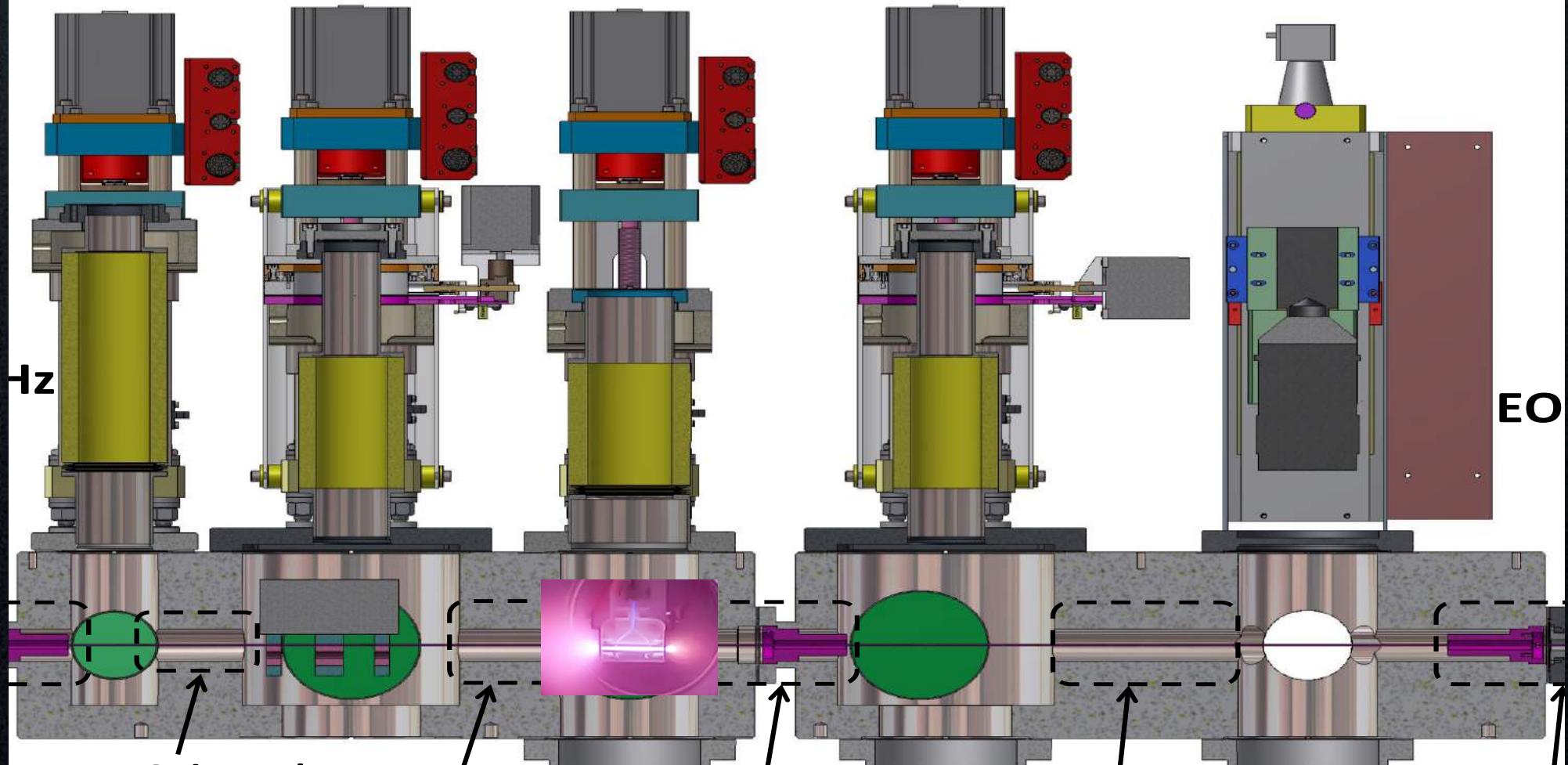
Longitudinal Phase Space



# C-Band accelerating structure and PWFA chamber



# PWFA - Particle Wake Field Accelerator

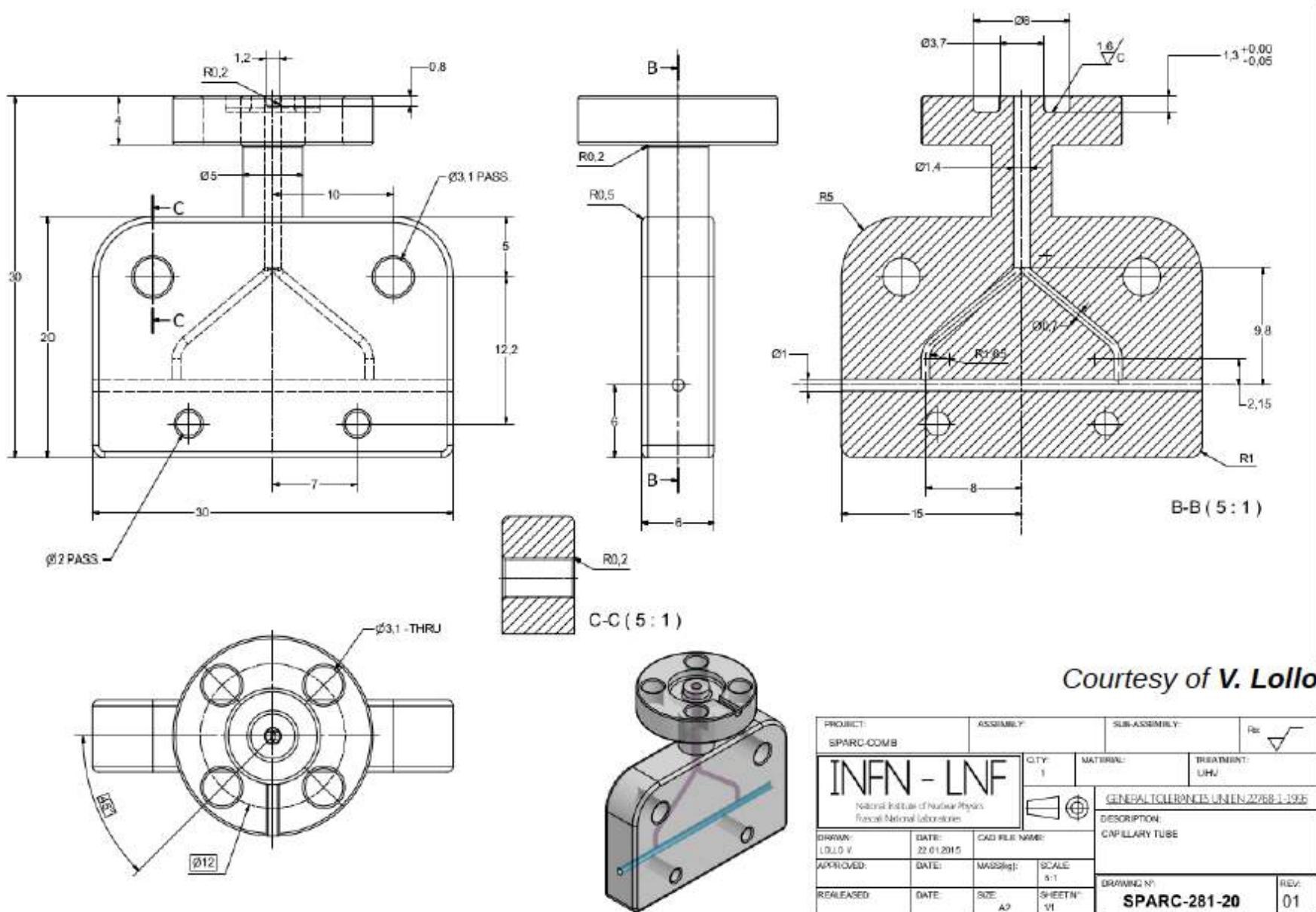


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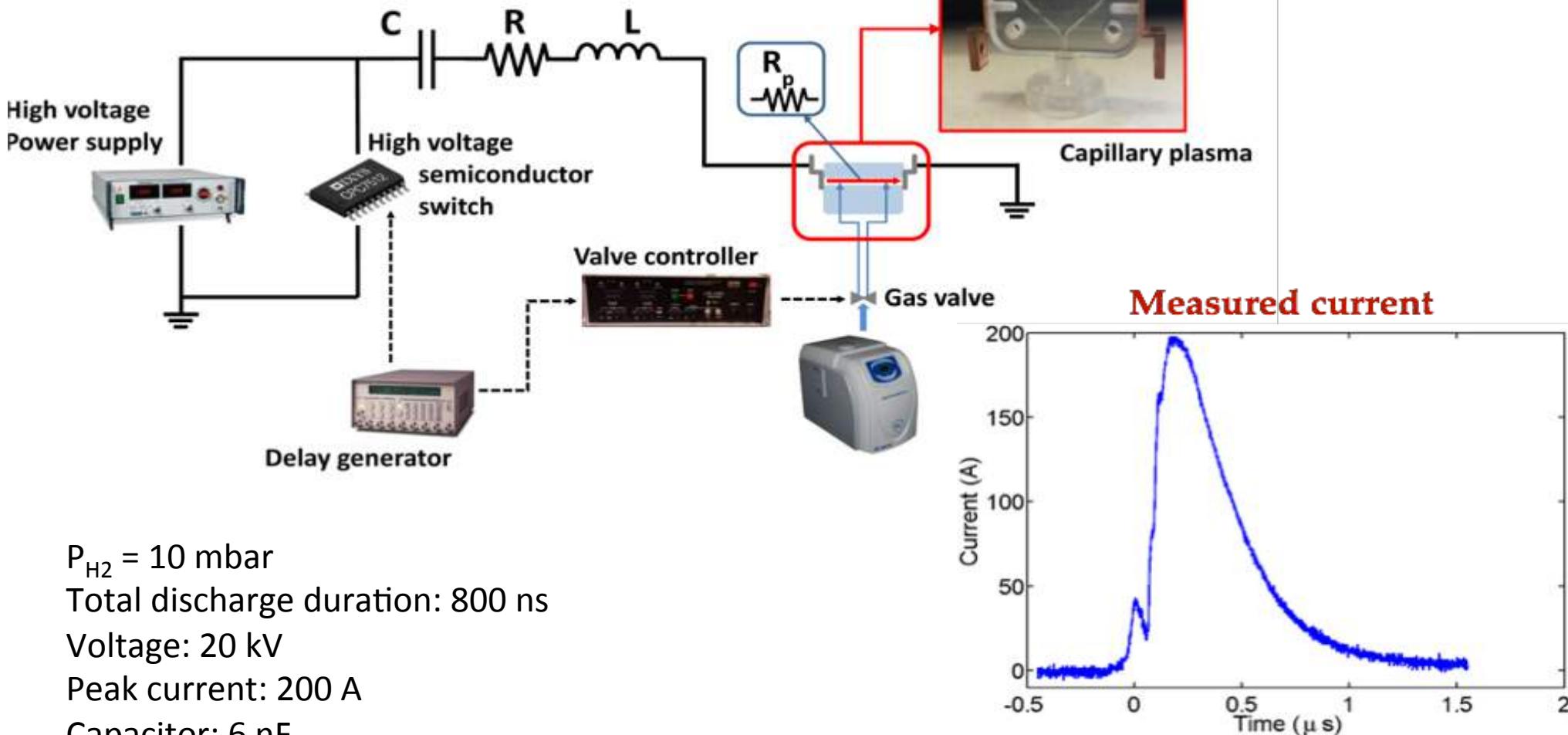
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# Plasma capillary



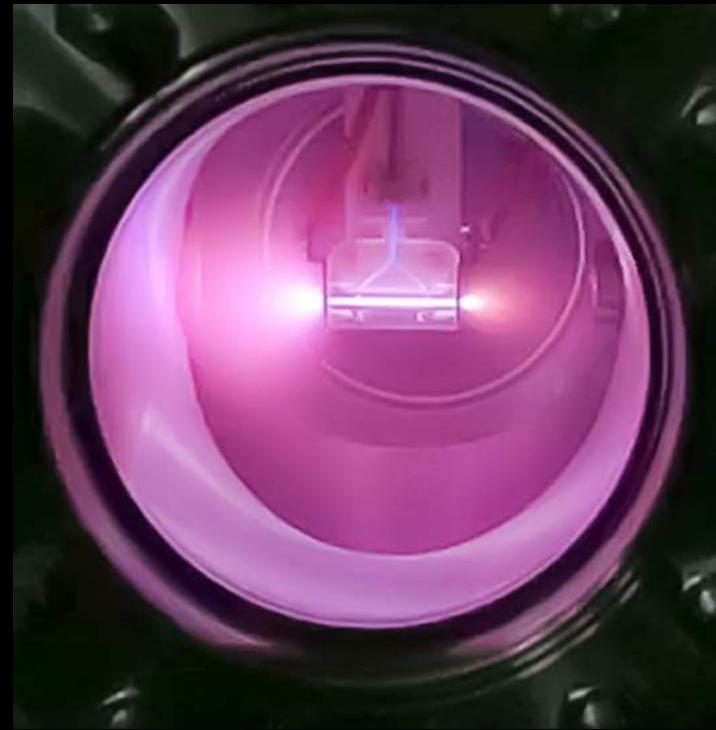
# Plasma Source

## H<sub>2</sub>-filled capillary discharge

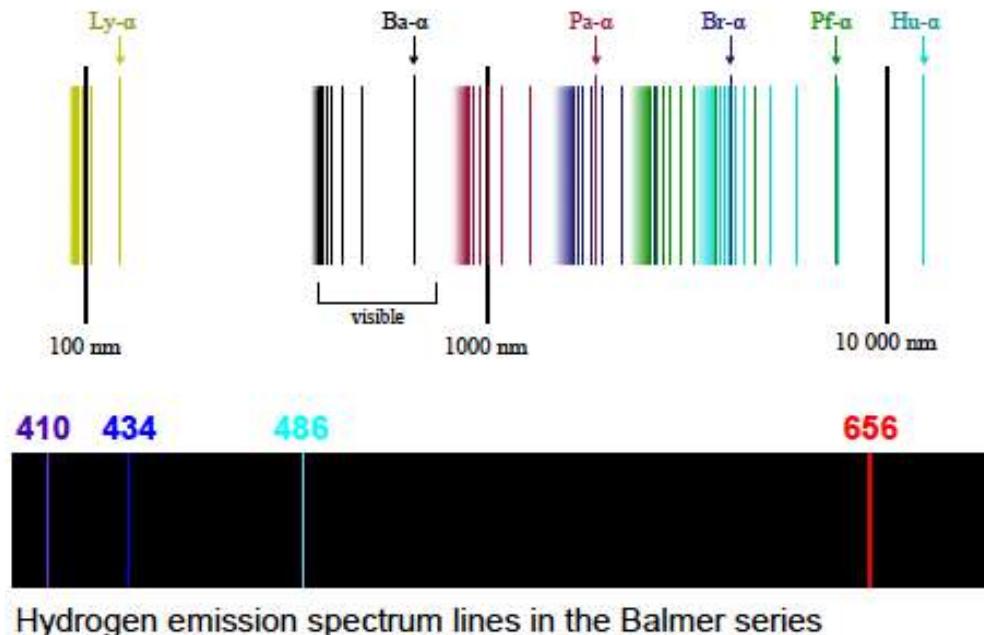


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# Capillary Discharge at SPARC\_LAB



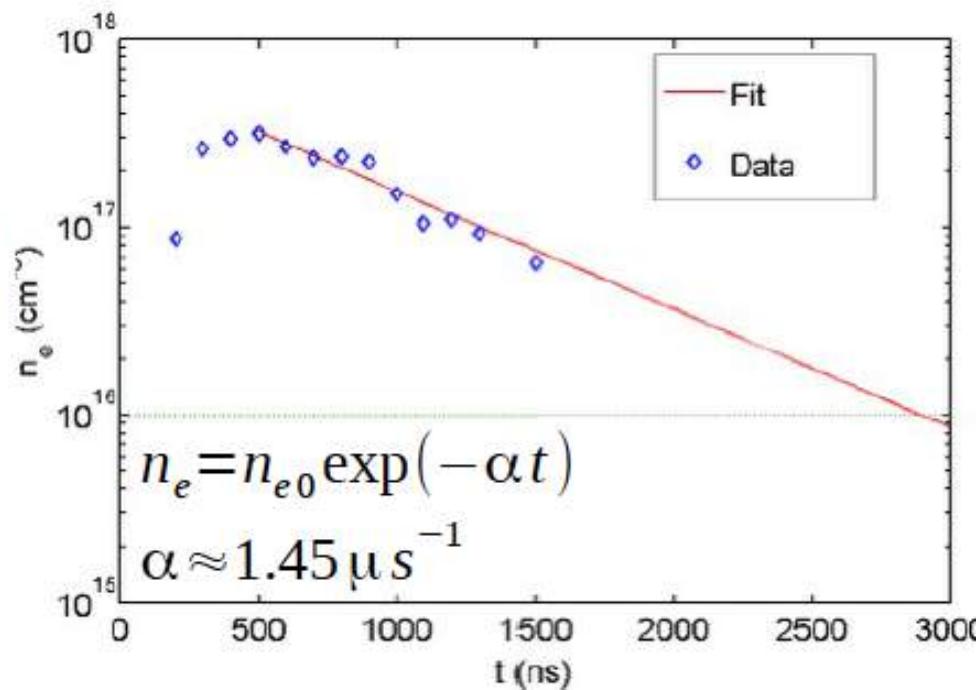
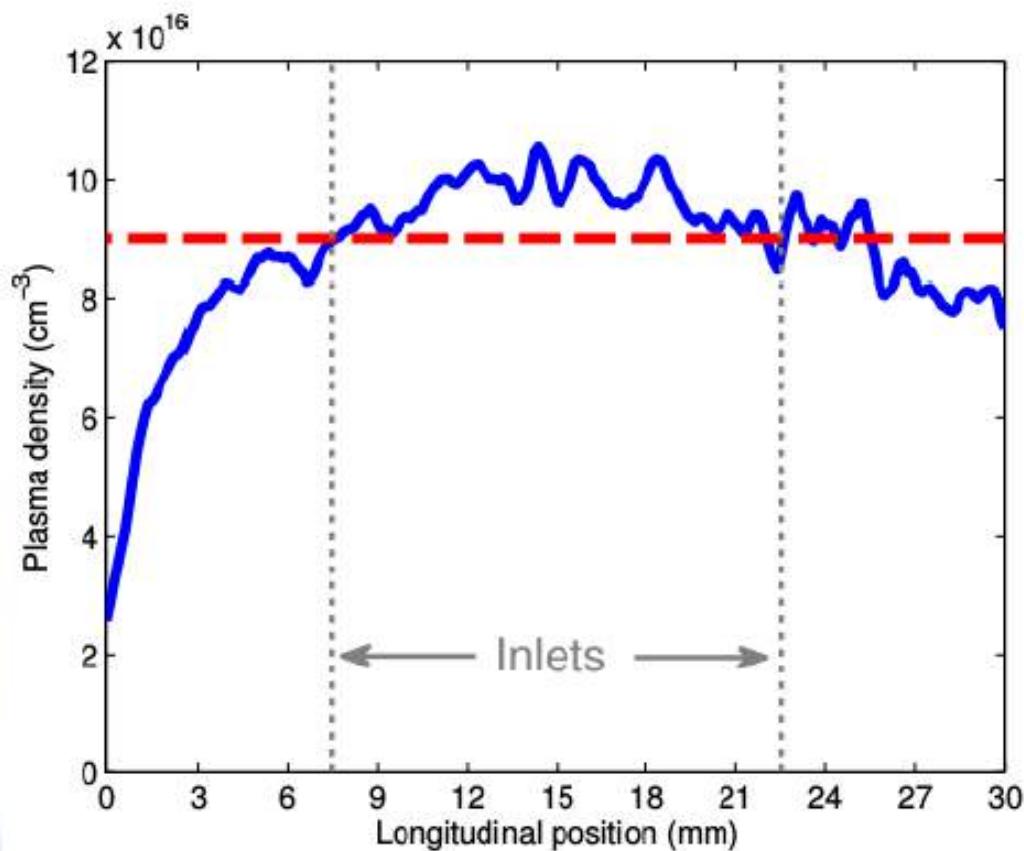
# Stark broadening diagnostics



- Based on the **light emitted by plasmas** → measure of **electron plasma density**
- Plasma density can be determined by means of **Stark broadening effect**
  - Spectral lines of Hydrogen are broadened as a result of the emitter interaction with the electric field produced by nearby ions.
- The **line-width** is directly related to the plasma density →  $\Delta\lambda \propto \alpha(T) n_0^{2/3}$ 
  - For Hydrogen, the H <sub>$\beta$</sub>  line (486 nm) is usually used →  $\alpha$  is less temperature dependent.

# Plasma characterization in capillary

## Plasma density measurement from $H_{\beta}$ Stark broadening



The plasma density is controlled through the delay after the discharge

# Beam Manipulation



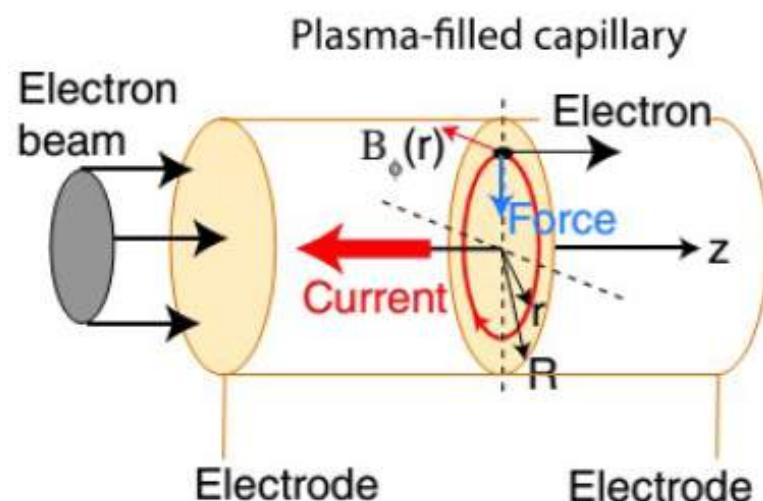
# Active plasma lens

- Focusing field produced by electric discharge in a plasma-filled capillary

- Focusing field produced, according to Ampere's law, by the discharge current*

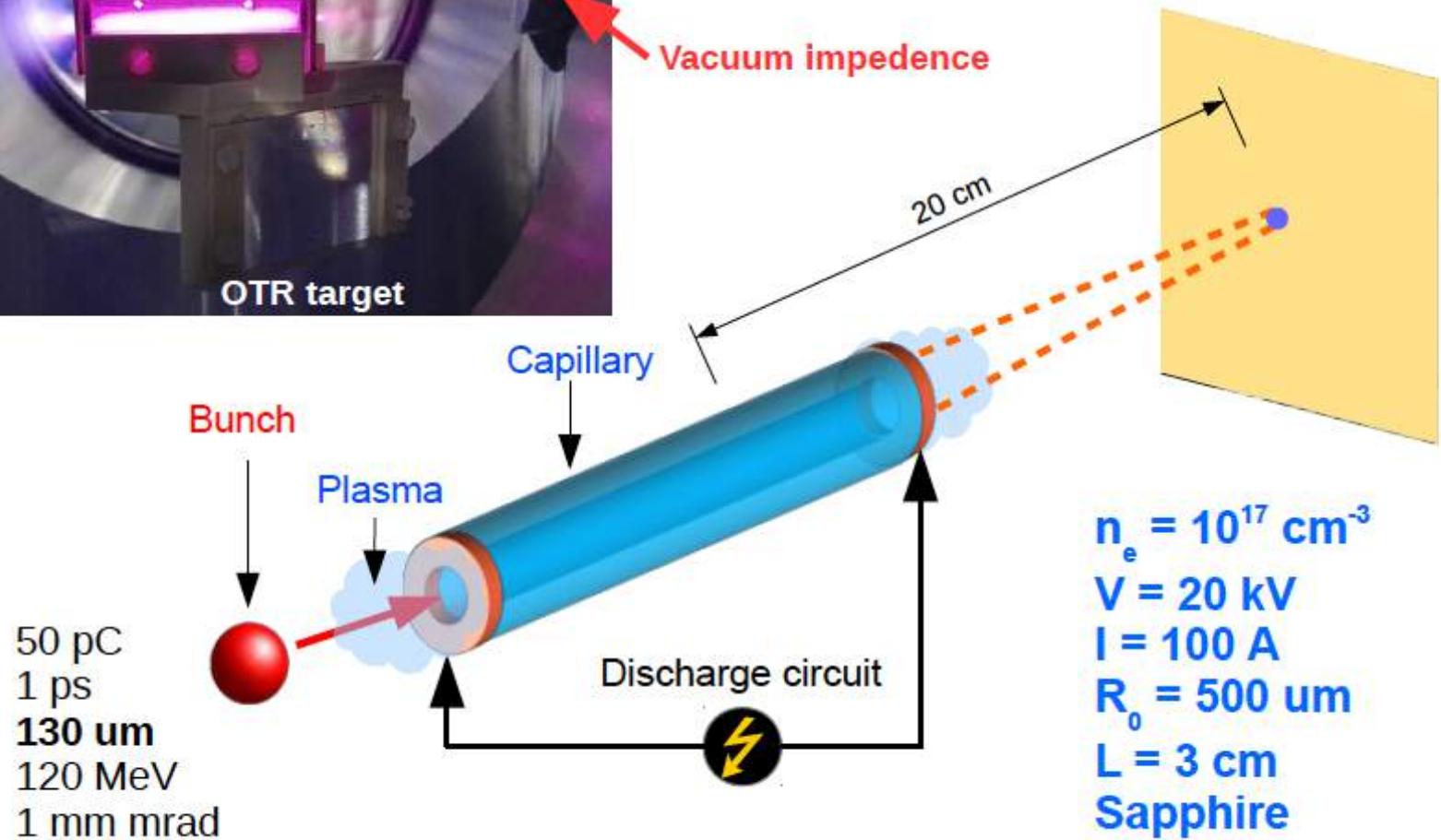
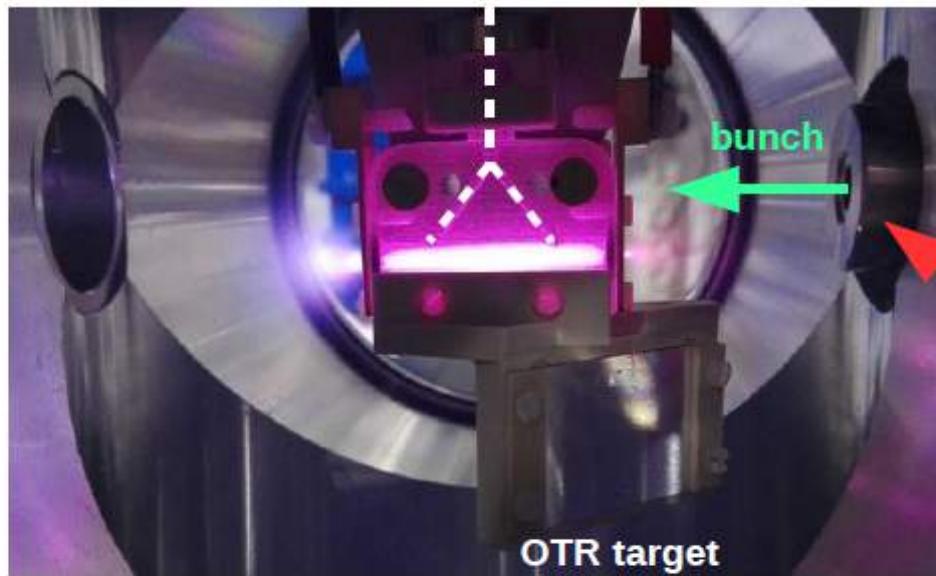
$$B_\phi(r) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^r \mu_0 J(r') dr'$$

- ✓ Radial focusing
  - X/Y planes are not dependent as in quads*
- ✓ Weak chromaticity
  - Focusing force scales linearly with energy*
- ✓ Compactness
  - Higher integrated field than quad triplets*
- ✓ Independent from beam distribution
  - Not sensitive to longitudinal/transverse charge profile as in passive plasma lenses*

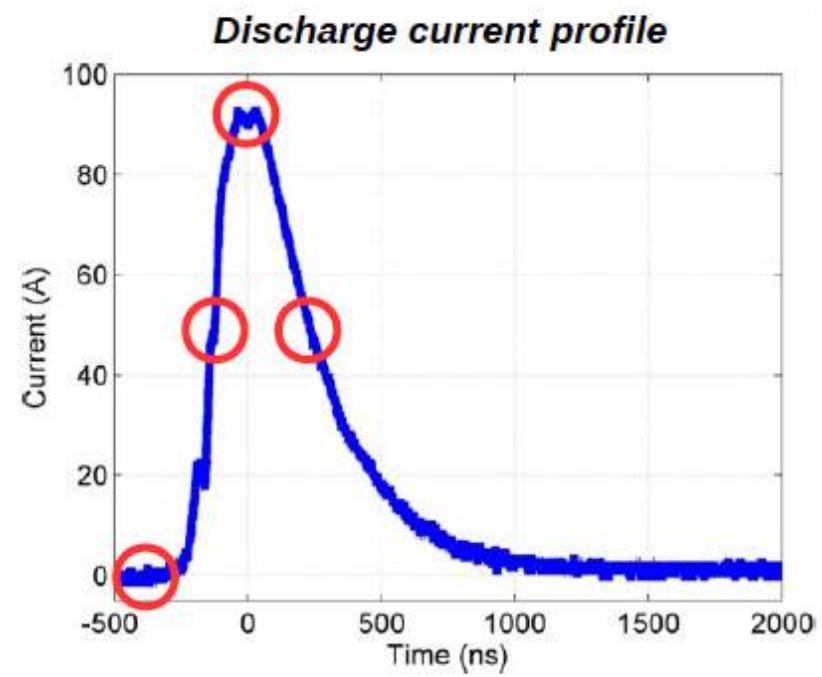
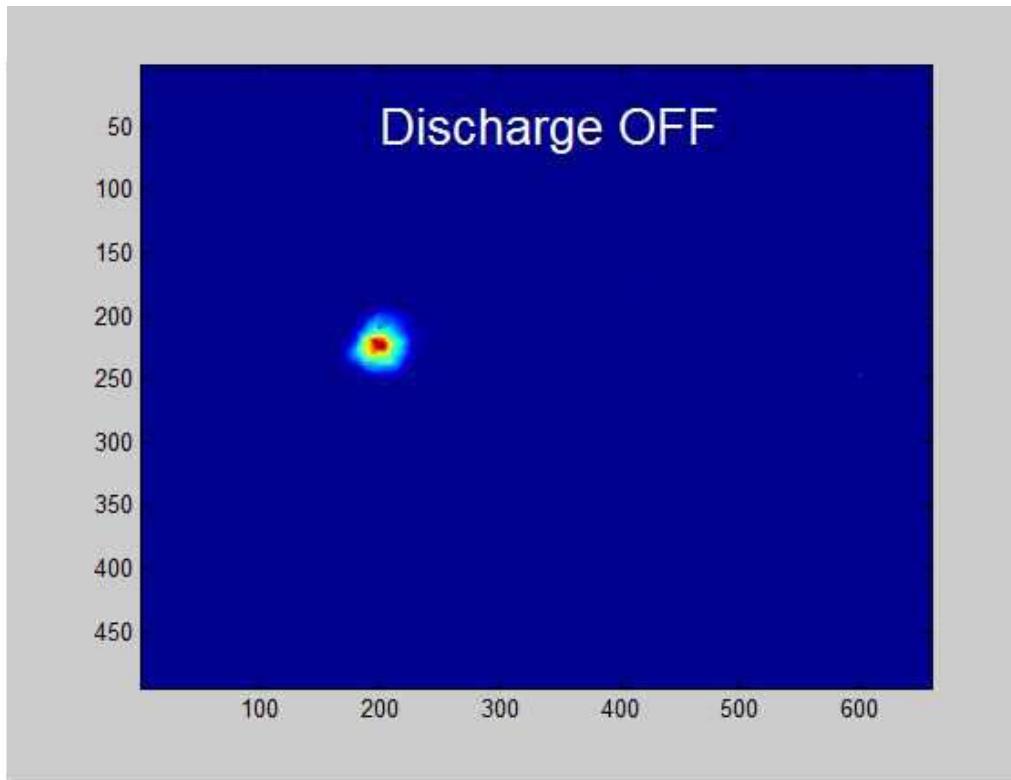


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# *Experimental layout*

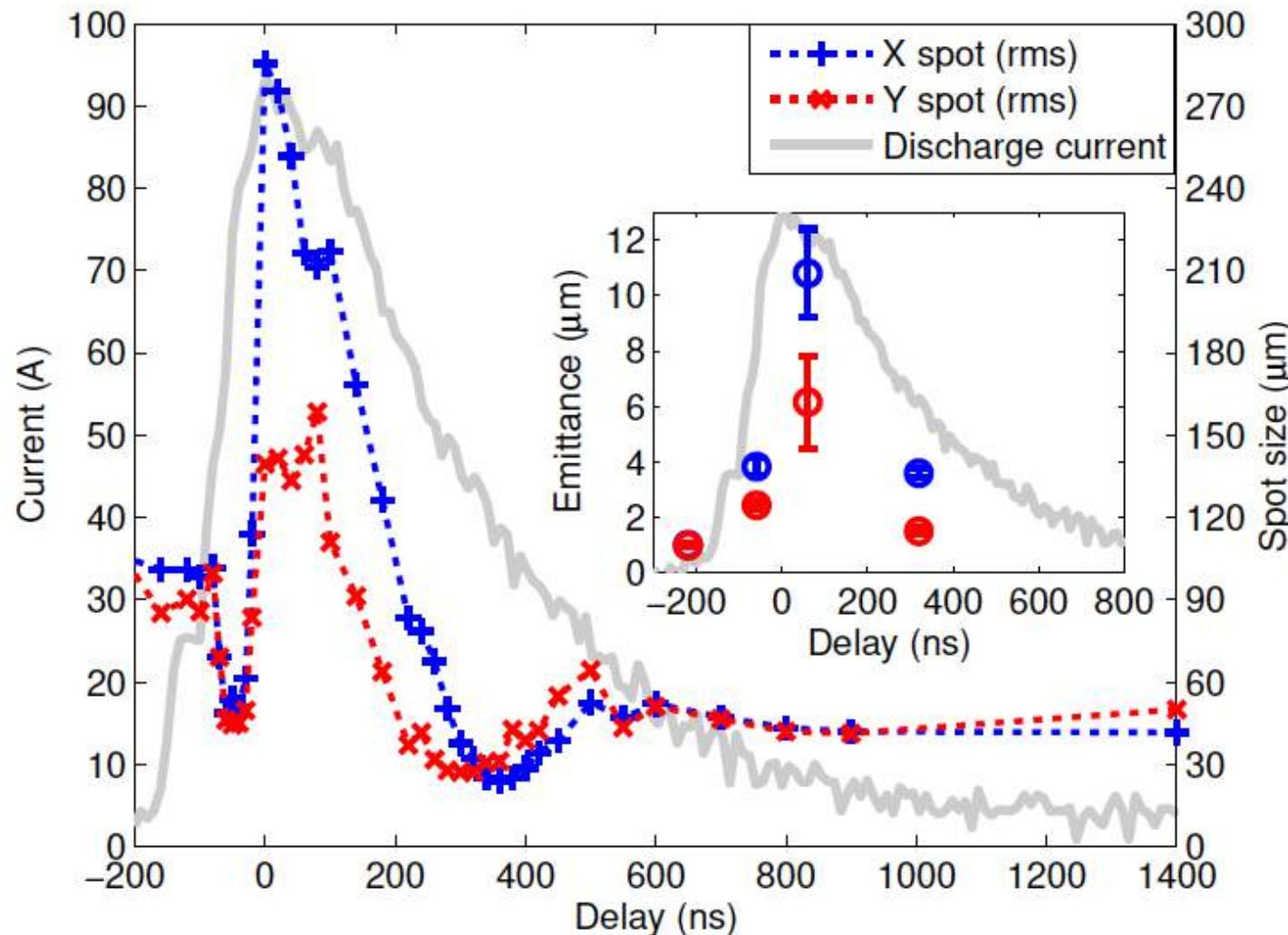


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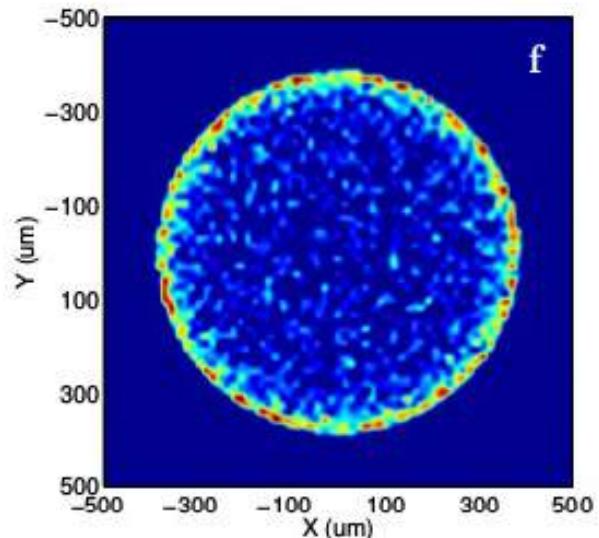
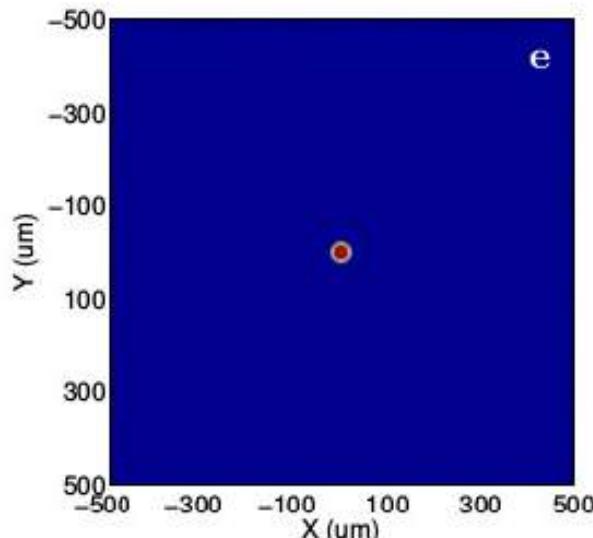
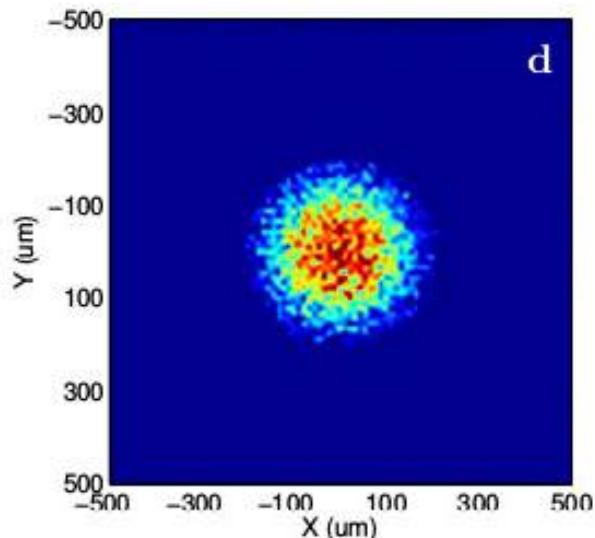
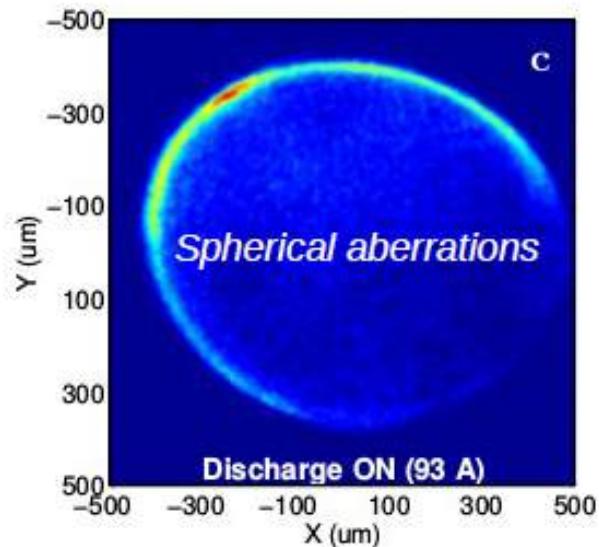
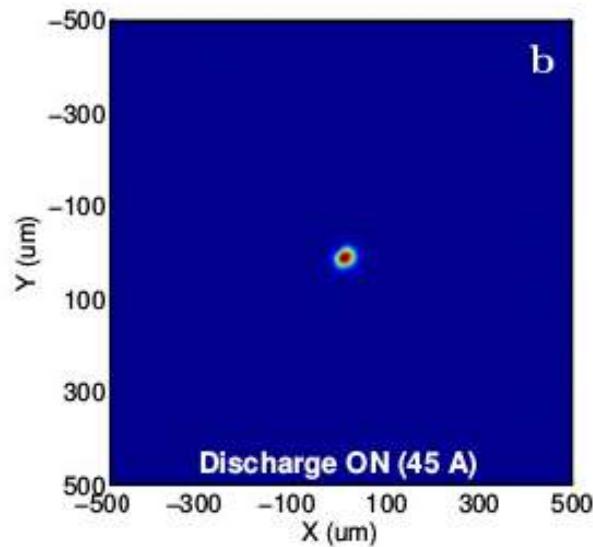
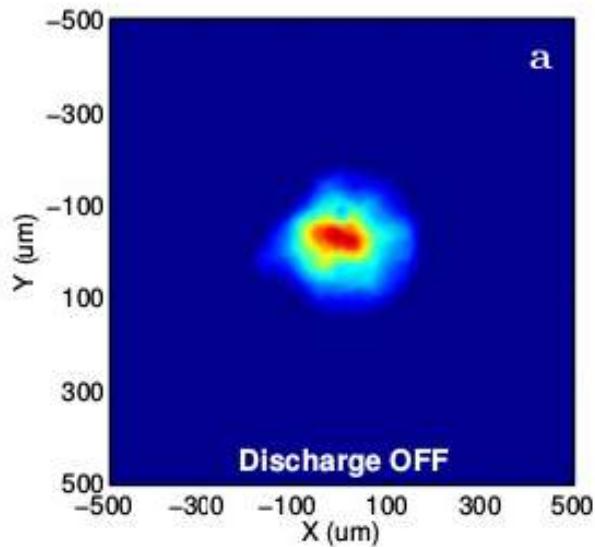


## Experimental characterization of active plasma lensing for electron beams

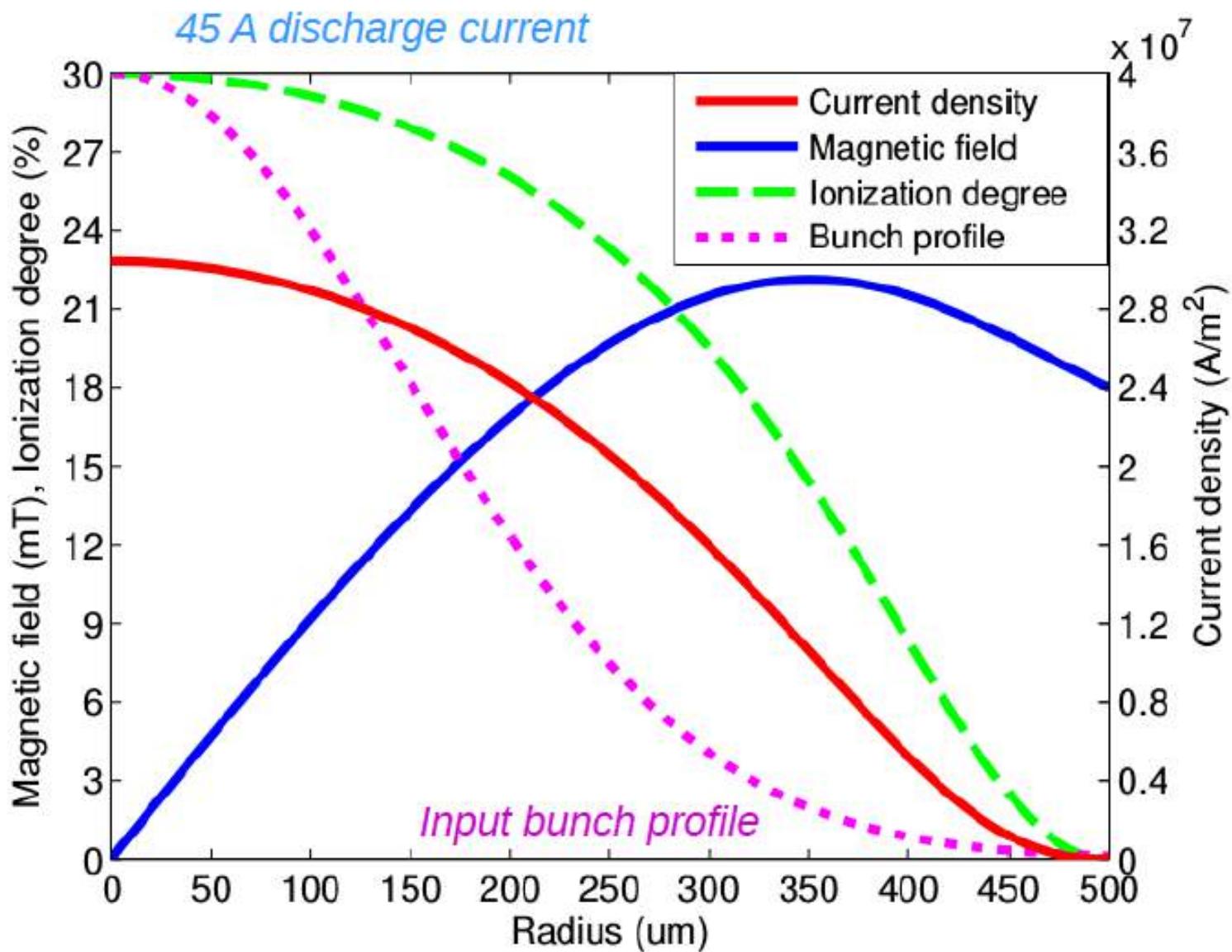
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# *Results vs simulations*

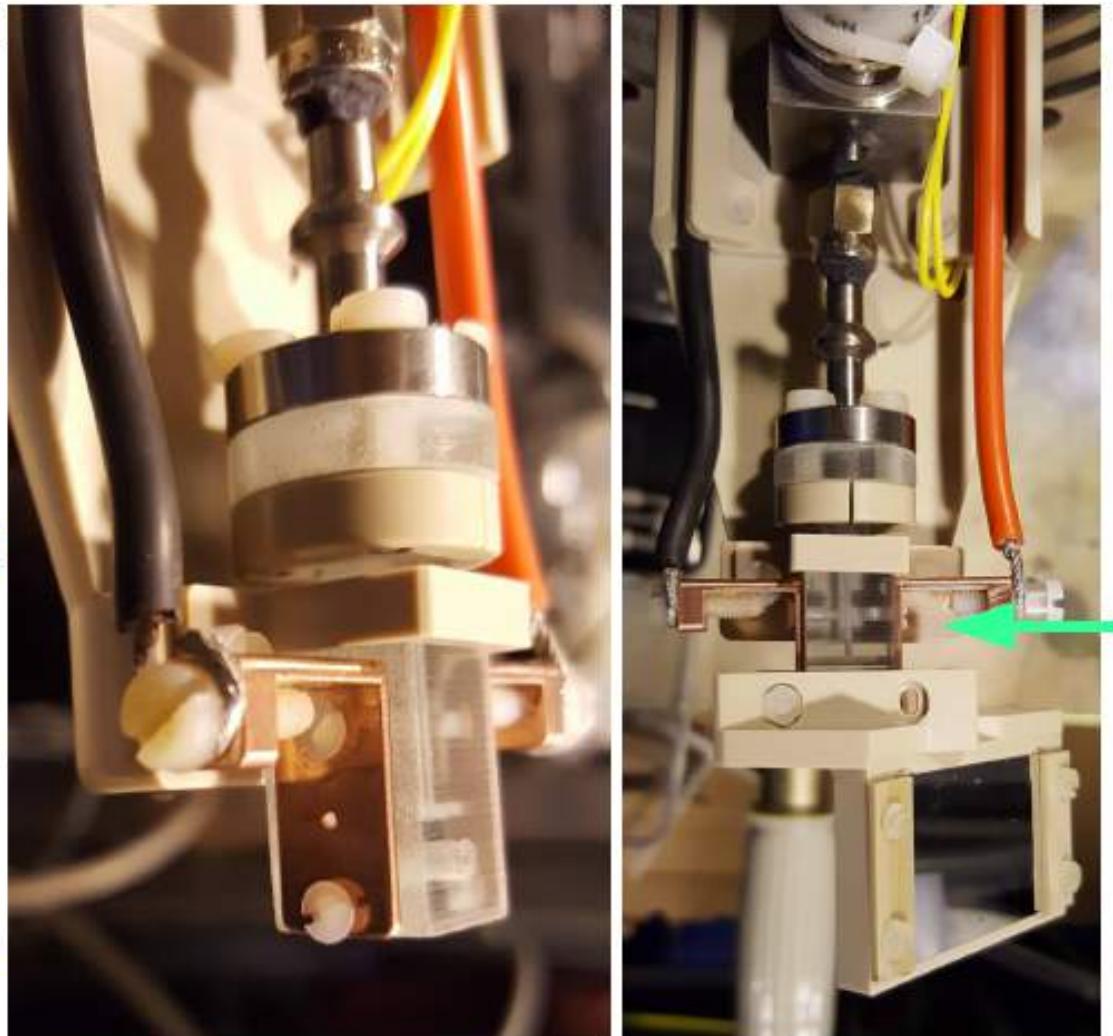


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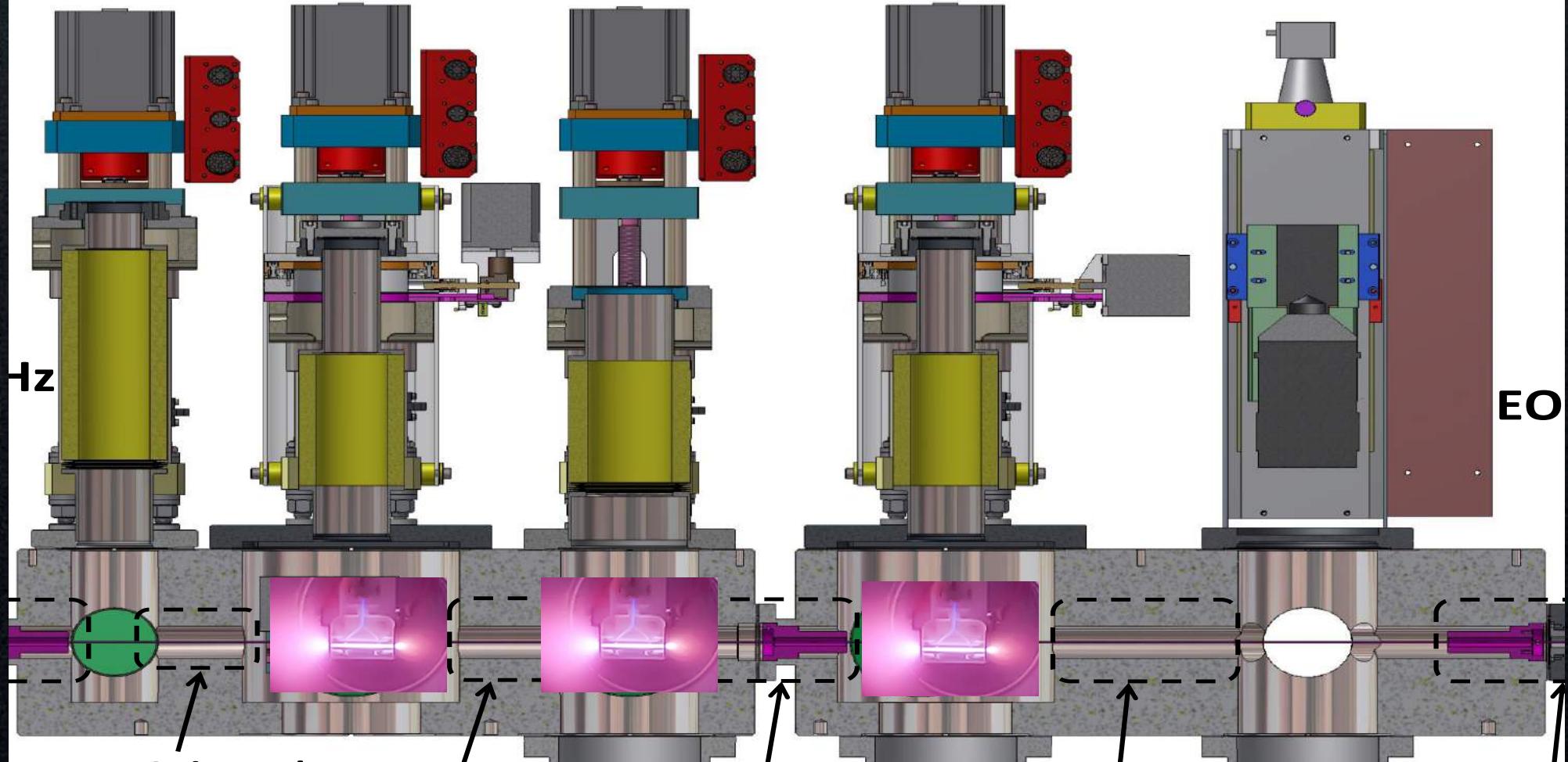


# Preliminary results

- Preliminary results @ max focusing strength (140 A)
  - *Min spot size: 19-20  $\mu\text{m}$*
  - *Normalized emittance: 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$*
- First results show that the emittance after active lensing is still not preserved but much lower than before
  - *It indicates that the magnetic field felt by the beam is “more” linear*
- We will continue with tests on such setup and then move to the last configuration
  - *3 cm-long capillary*
  - *2 mm hole diameter to increase the linear region of the B field*



# Plasma Driven FEL under investigation



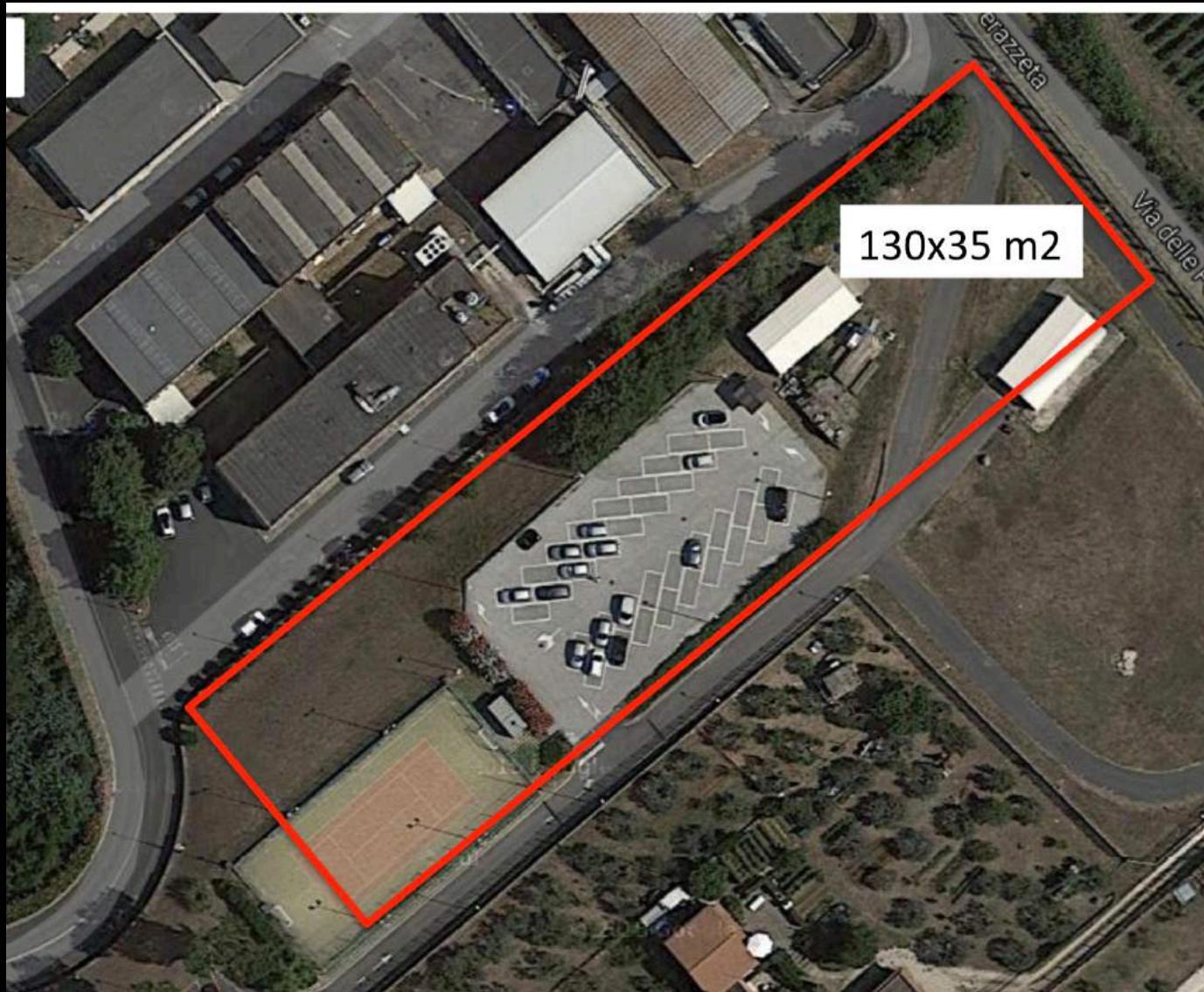
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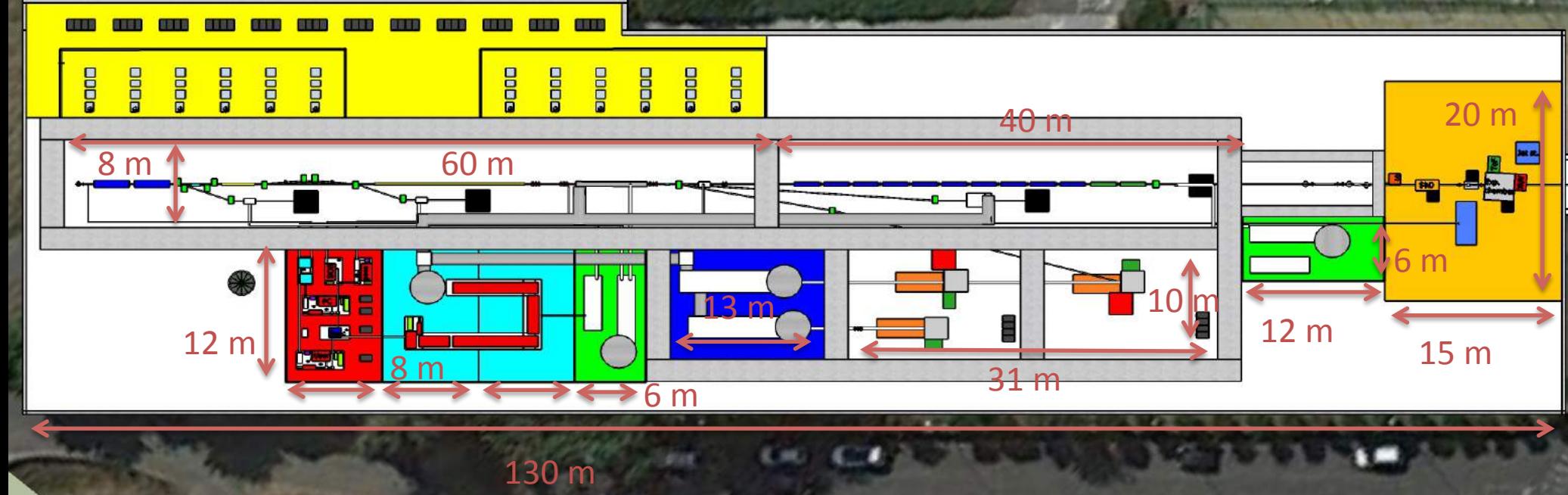
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## WG 0 – Project Management

### 0.1 Executive summary

(M. Ferrario)

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1.1 Advanced High Brightness Photo-injector

(E. Chiadroni)

1.2 HB Linac technology,

(A. Gallo)

1.3 Linac design and parameters

(C. Vaccarezza)

## WG 2 – Laser design and optimization

2.1 FLAME upgrade

(M. P. Anania)

2.2 Advanced Laser systems

(L. Gizzi)

## WG 3 – Plasma Accelerator

3.1 PWFA beam line

(A. Marocchino)

3.2 LWFA beam line

(A. R. Rossi)

3.3 Plasma and Beam Diagnostics

(A. Cianchi)

## WG 4 – FEL pilot applications

4.1 Conventional and Plasma driven FEL

(V. Petrillo)

4.2 Advanced FEL schemes

(G. Dattoli)

4.3 Photon beam lines

(F. Villa)

4.4 FEL user applications

(F. Stellato)

## WG 5 – Radiation sources and user beam lines

5.1 Advanced (dielectric) THz source

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5.2 Compton source

(C. Vaccarezza)

5.3 Secondary Particle Sources

(LNS)?

5.4 Laser-driven neutron source

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5.4 User beam lines

(P. Valente)

## WG 6 – Low Energy Particle Physics

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6.2 Fundamental physics experiments , LabAstro

(C. Gatti)

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(L. Serafini)

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7.3 Radiation Safety

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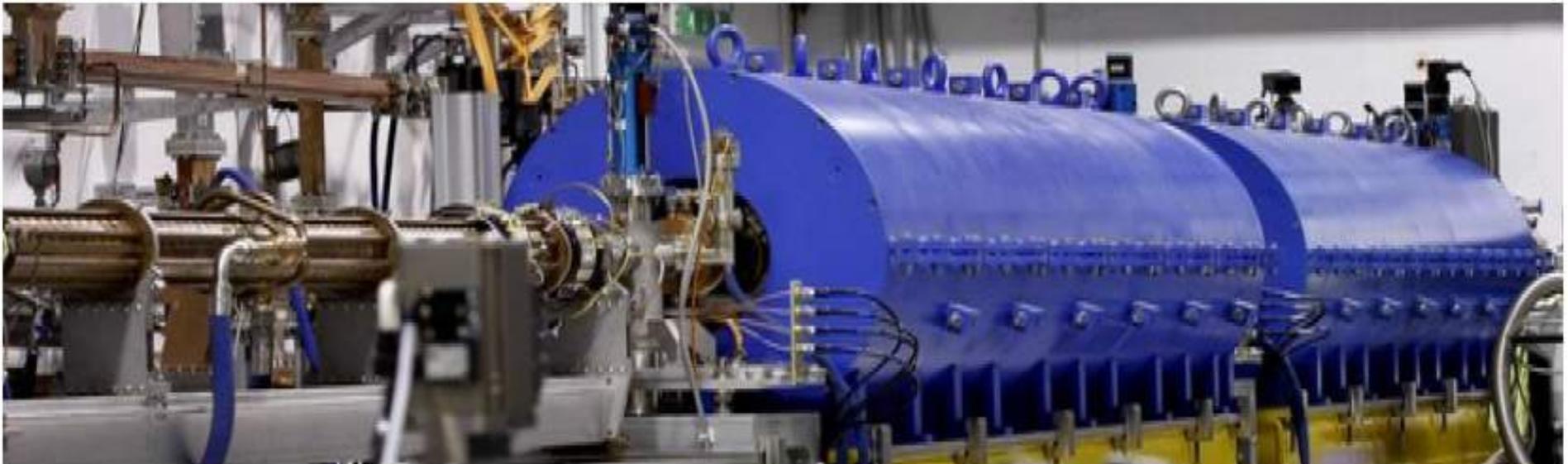
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