

# **PROGRESS TOWARD THE FACILITY UPGRADE FOR ACCELERATED RADIOACTIVE BEAMS AT TEXAS A&M**

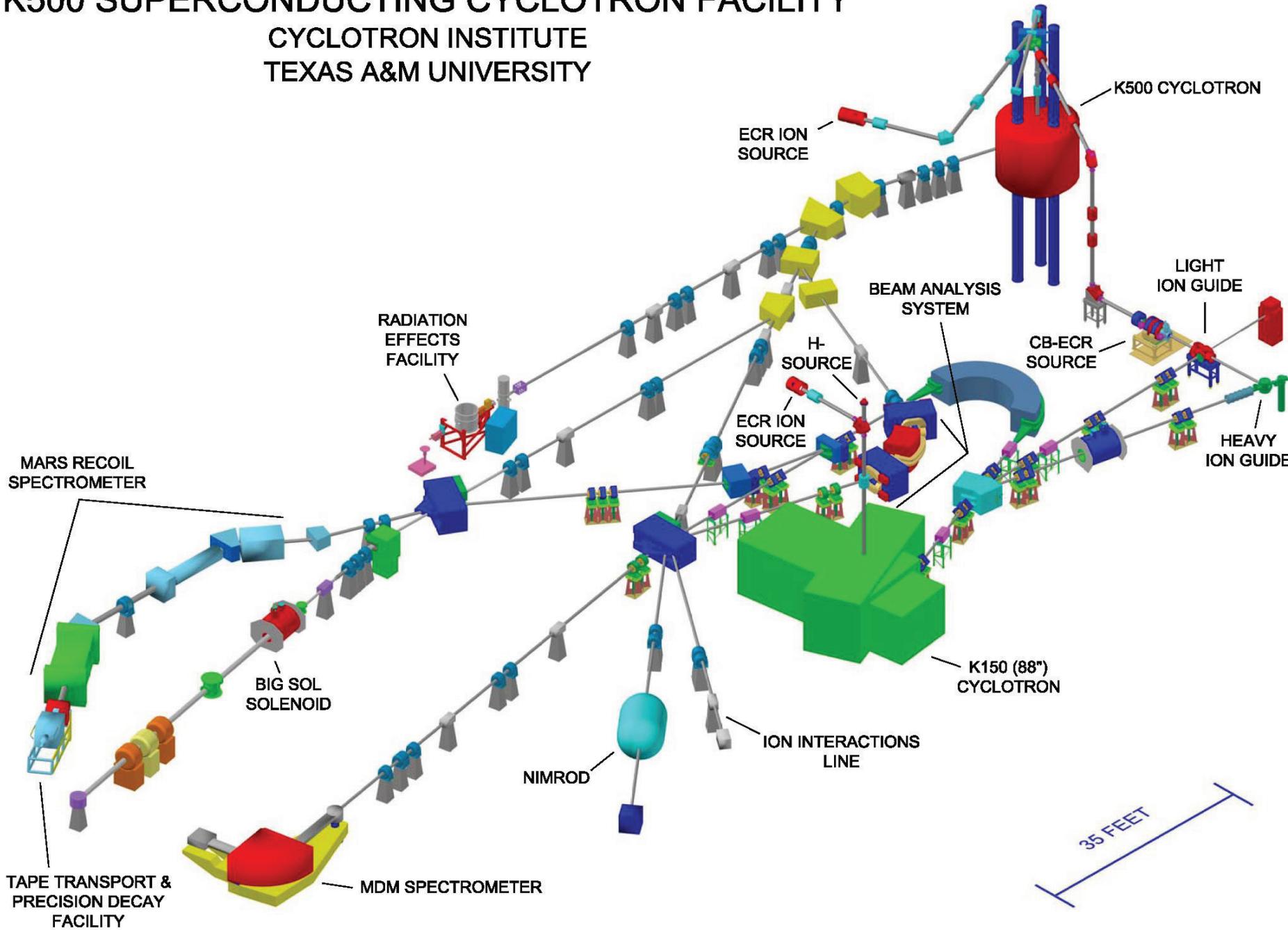
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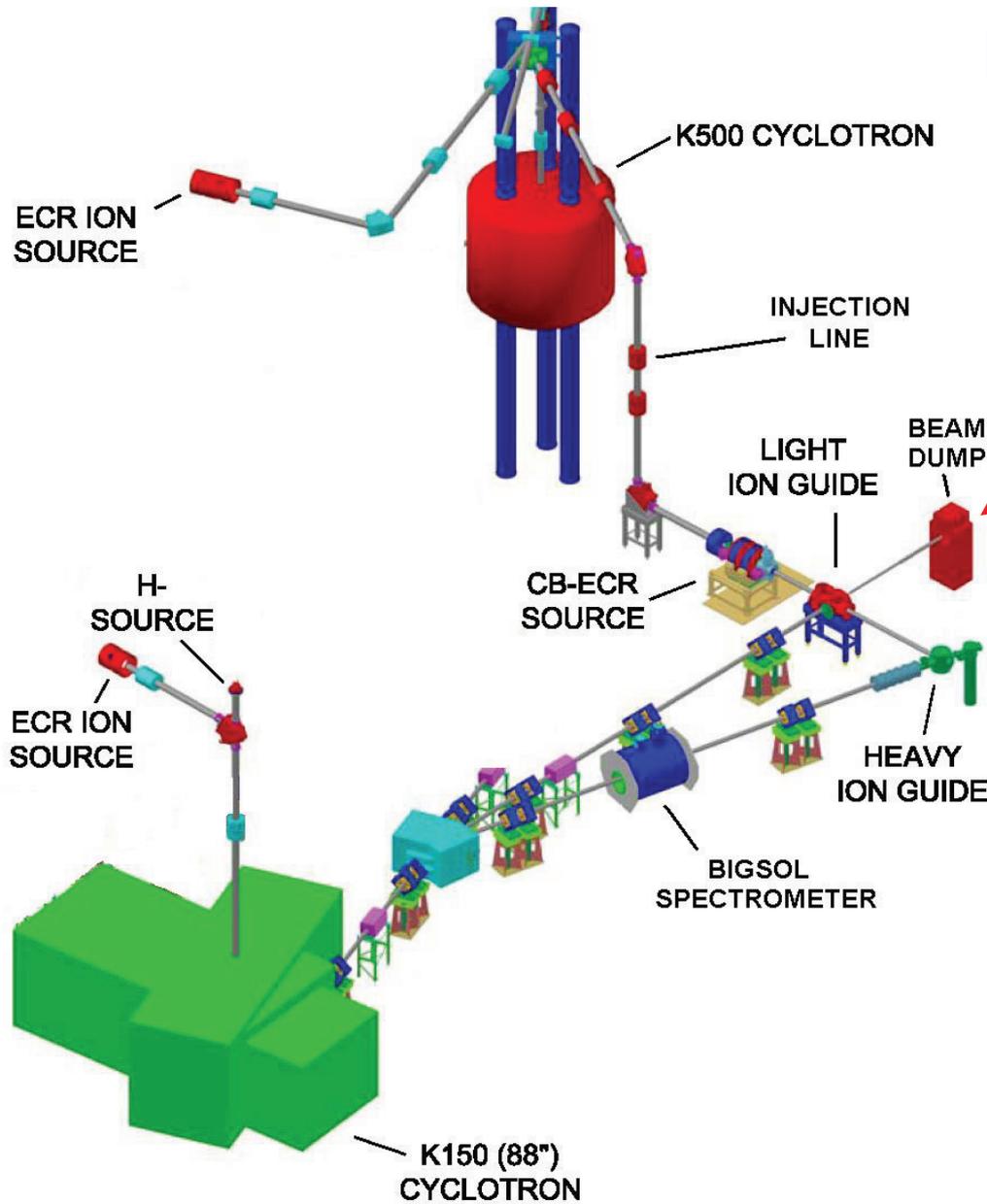
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# K500 SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON FACILITY

CYCLOTRON INSTITUTE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY



# Remove experimental beam-lines



- 30 MeV proton beam
- $^{27}\text{Al}(p,n)^{27}\text{Si}$
- 4.2 sec half-life
- $10^4$  pps, 30 A MeV

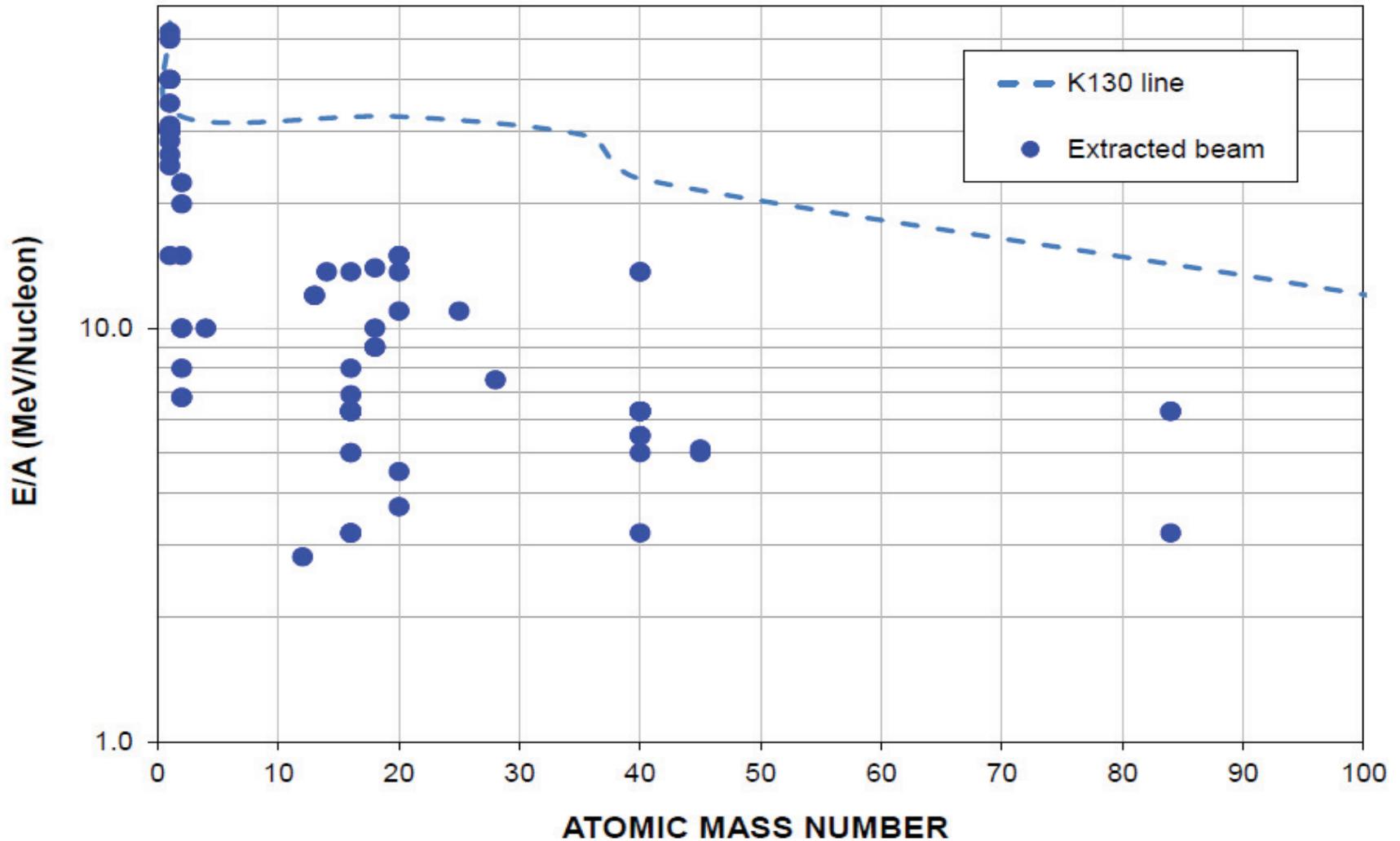
- 13 A MeV  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  beam
- $^{40}\text{Ar} + ^{58}\text{Ni} \rightarrow ^{38}\text{S} + \text{X}$
- 11 sec half-life
- $10^5$  pps, 20 A MeV

# Scheme for Production of RIBs

- The K150 provides either an intense beam of light ions ( $p$ ,  $d$ ,  $\alpha$ ) to a target in the LIG chamber or an intense beam of heavy ions (e. g. argon) to a target in the BIGSOL superconducting-solenoid spectrometer.
- Products from the target directly enter a helium gas flow in the case of LIG, or in the case of HIG the products are focused through an entry foil in the HIG chamber.
- Products in either chamber are stopped by the helium and extracted by the helium flow. They are guided by a multipolar rf structure and formed into a beam.
- This low-charge-state beam of products is focused inside of CB-ECRIS where the products are stopped in the plasma and further ionized by the energetic electrons.
- Extracted beam from CB-ECRIS is analyzed, and a beam of one charge-state is injected into the K500.

# Cyclotron Tuning – George Kim and Brian Roeder

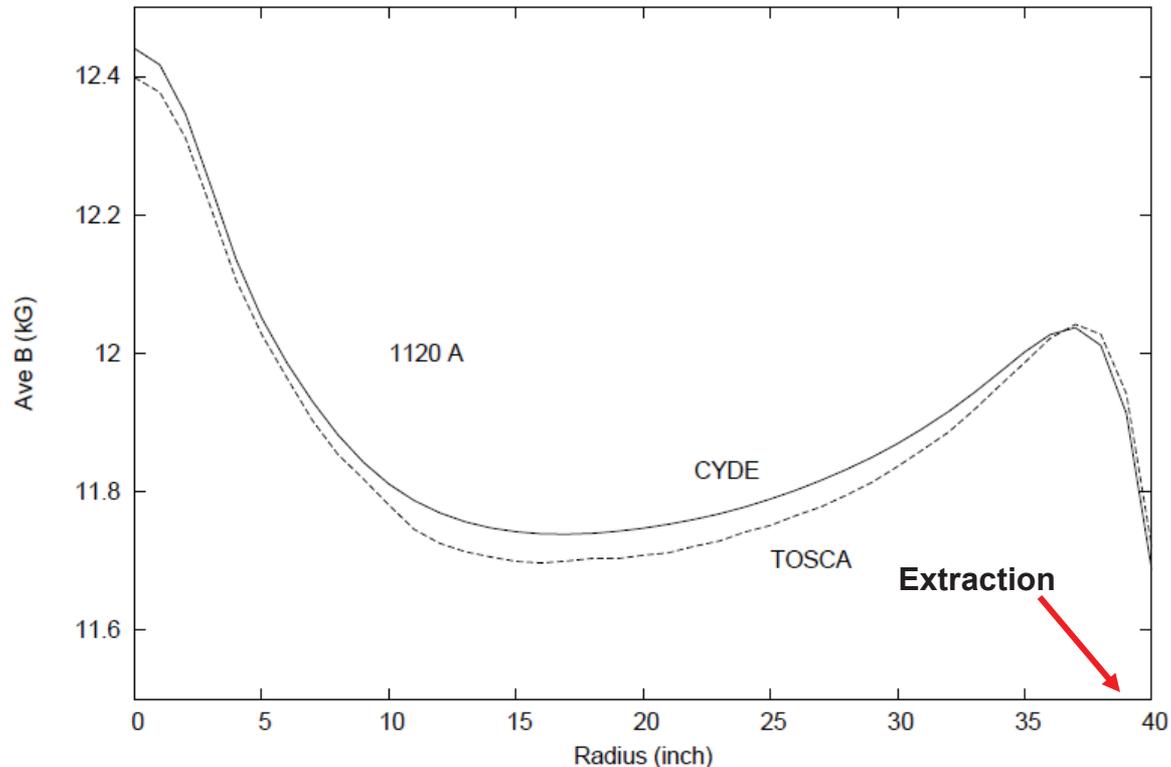
## K150 CYCLOTRON + ECR + H<sup>-</sup>



# *K150 Tuning*

- Use CYDE code for setting trim-coils
- Adjust trim-coils (17 of them), valley-coils, rf-voltage and inflector rotation while observing beam intensity at various radii
- Adjust deflector voltage and position for extracted beam
- Problem – both CYDE and the field maps that it uses are from the 1960's and maps come from the LBNL 88"

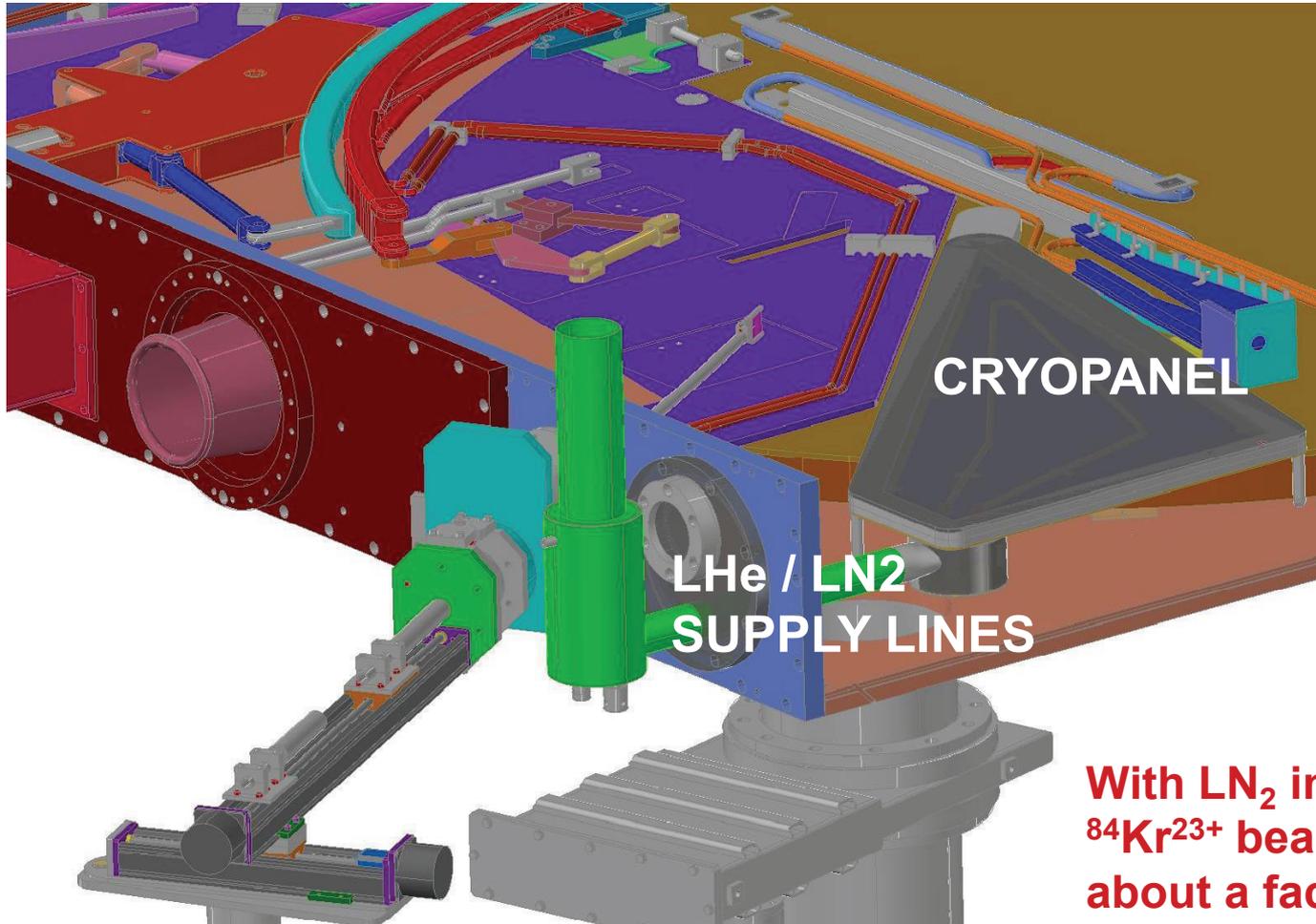
# Effort to model field with TOSCA - George Kim



Difference is approximately TC-13 or TC-14 form factor, so CYDE tune can be corrected here by adding ~200 A to trim.

Plan to introduce TOSCA fields into CYDE - probably need to do this to approach K150 (3200A on main coil).

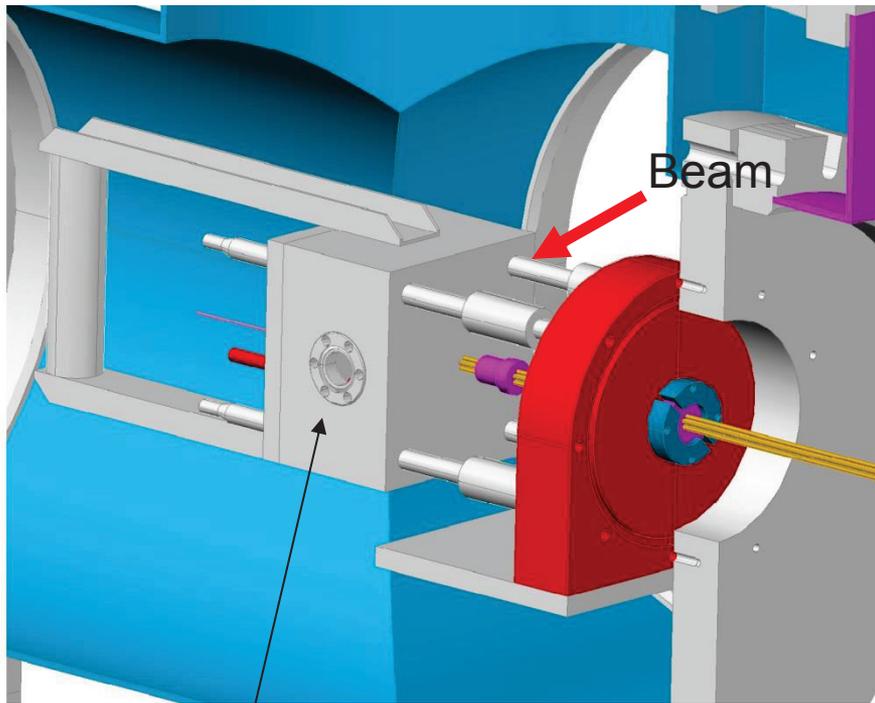
## *Cryopanel installed in K150*



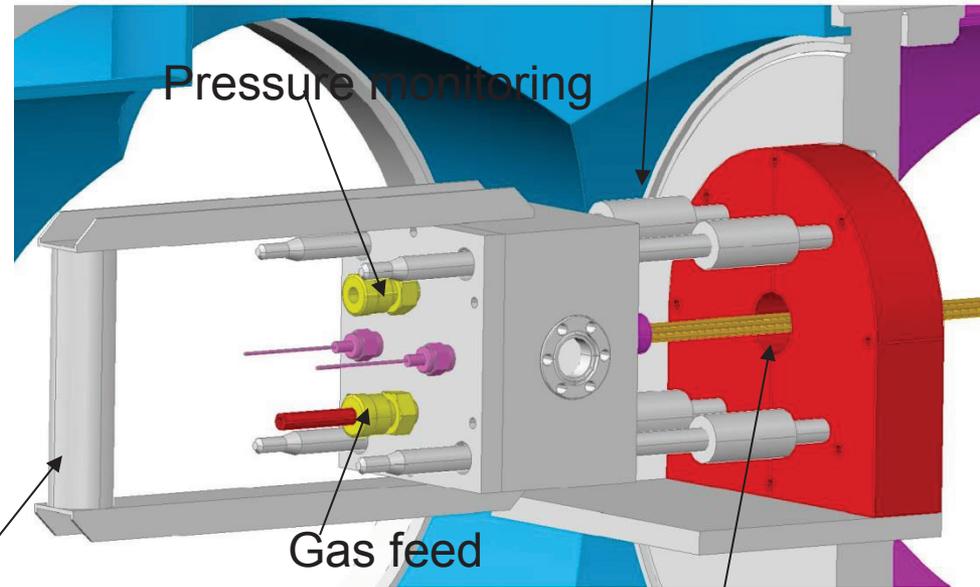
**With LN<sub>2</sub> intensity of 6 AMeV  
<sup>84</sup>Kr<sup>23+</sup> beam increased by  
about a factor of 30.**

# Light-Ion Guide

Juha Arje (JYFL) and Gabriel Tabacaru



Exit foil (Havar)



Rails (4) for positioning

Pressure monitoring

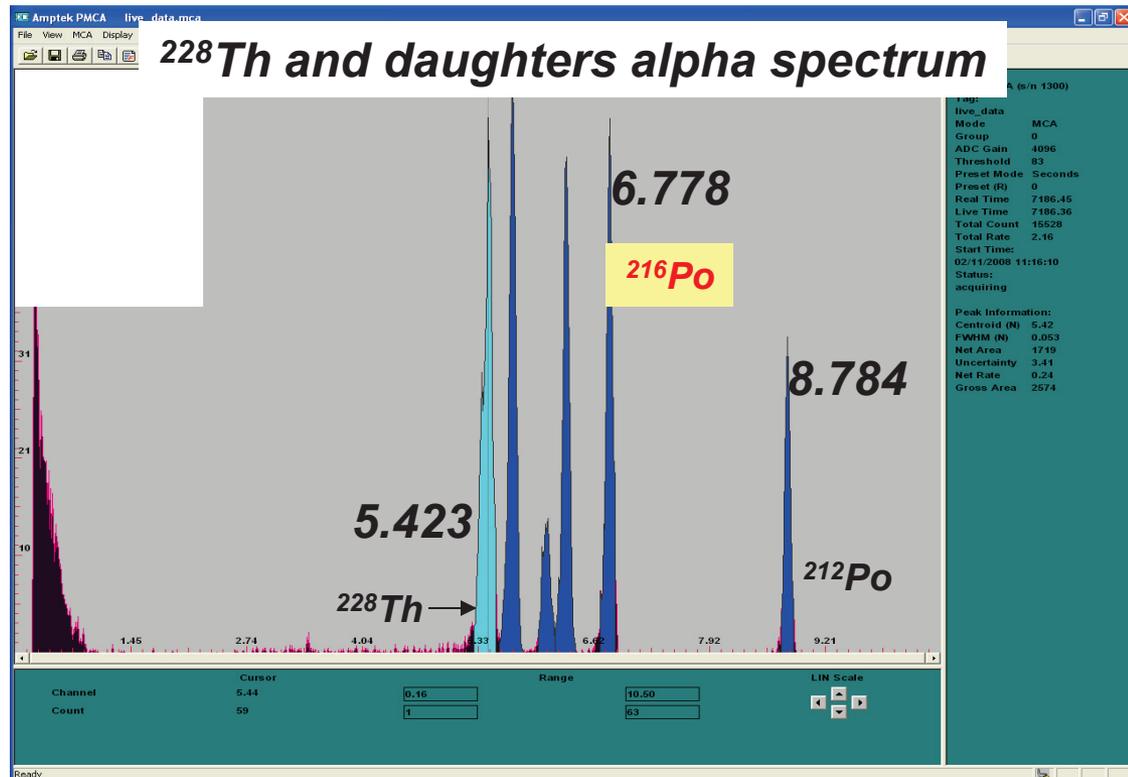
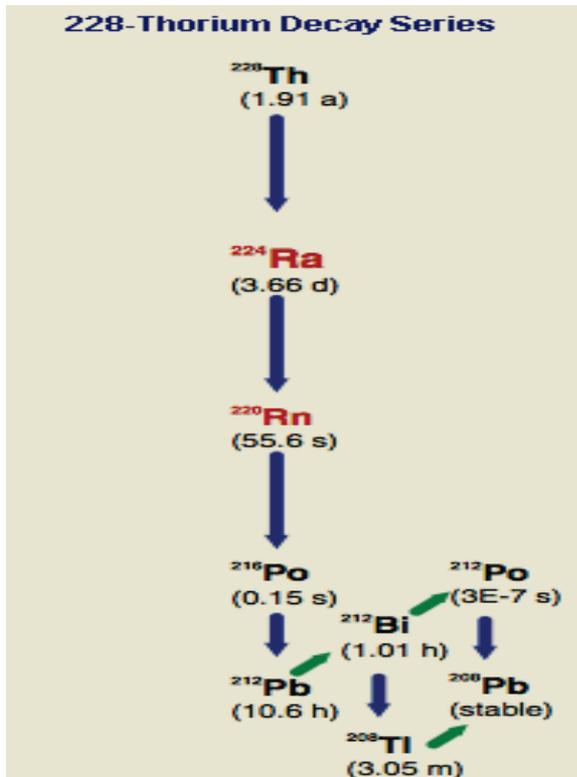
Gas feed

Handle for rapid removal

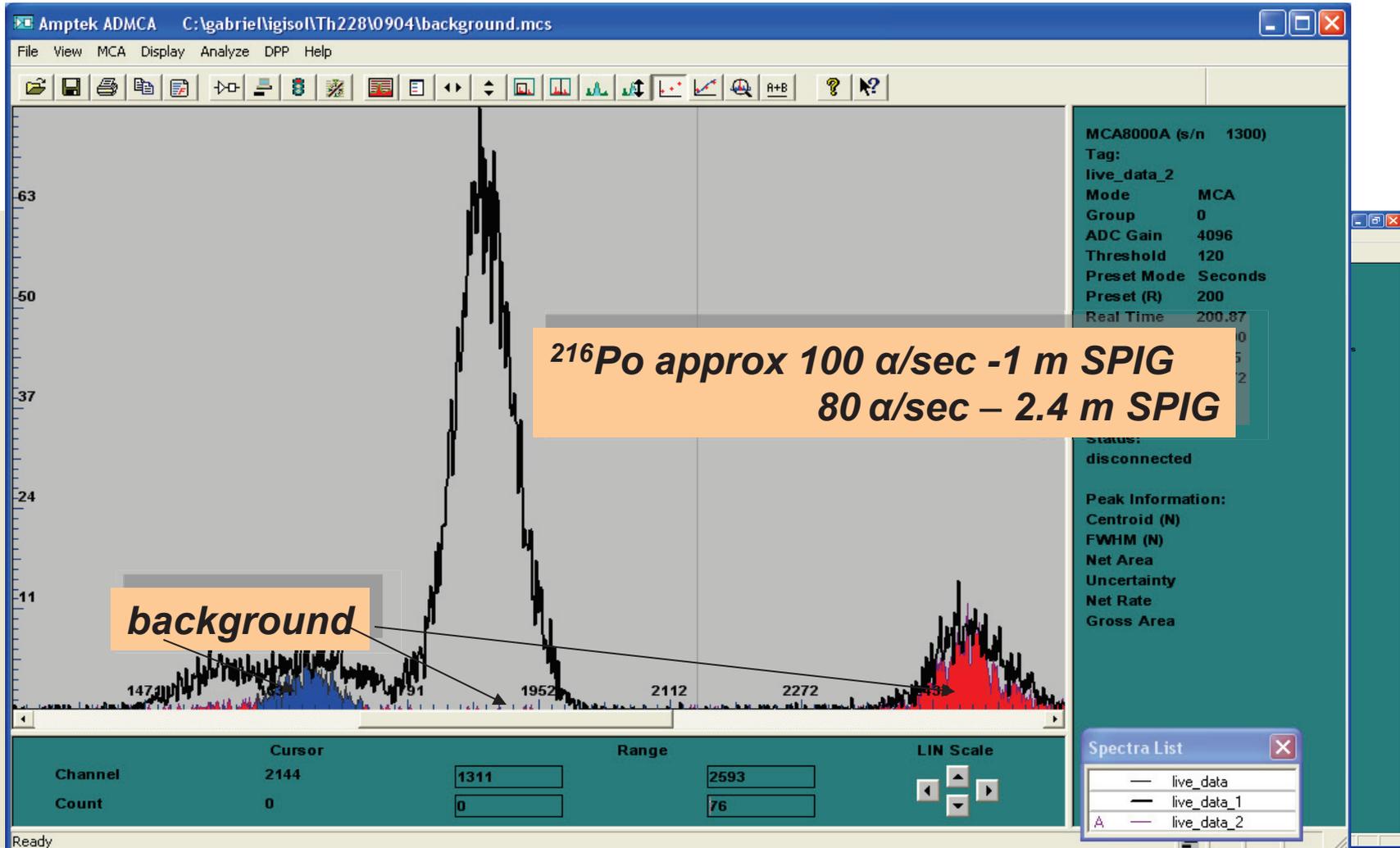
RF only sextupole – SPIG

# Tests – $^{228}\text{Th}$ open source in the chamber

- *Partially simulate the online conditions*
- *Lower final velocity at the injection in the CB-ECRIS*
- *Alpha particle detection necessary – difficult to fine tune*



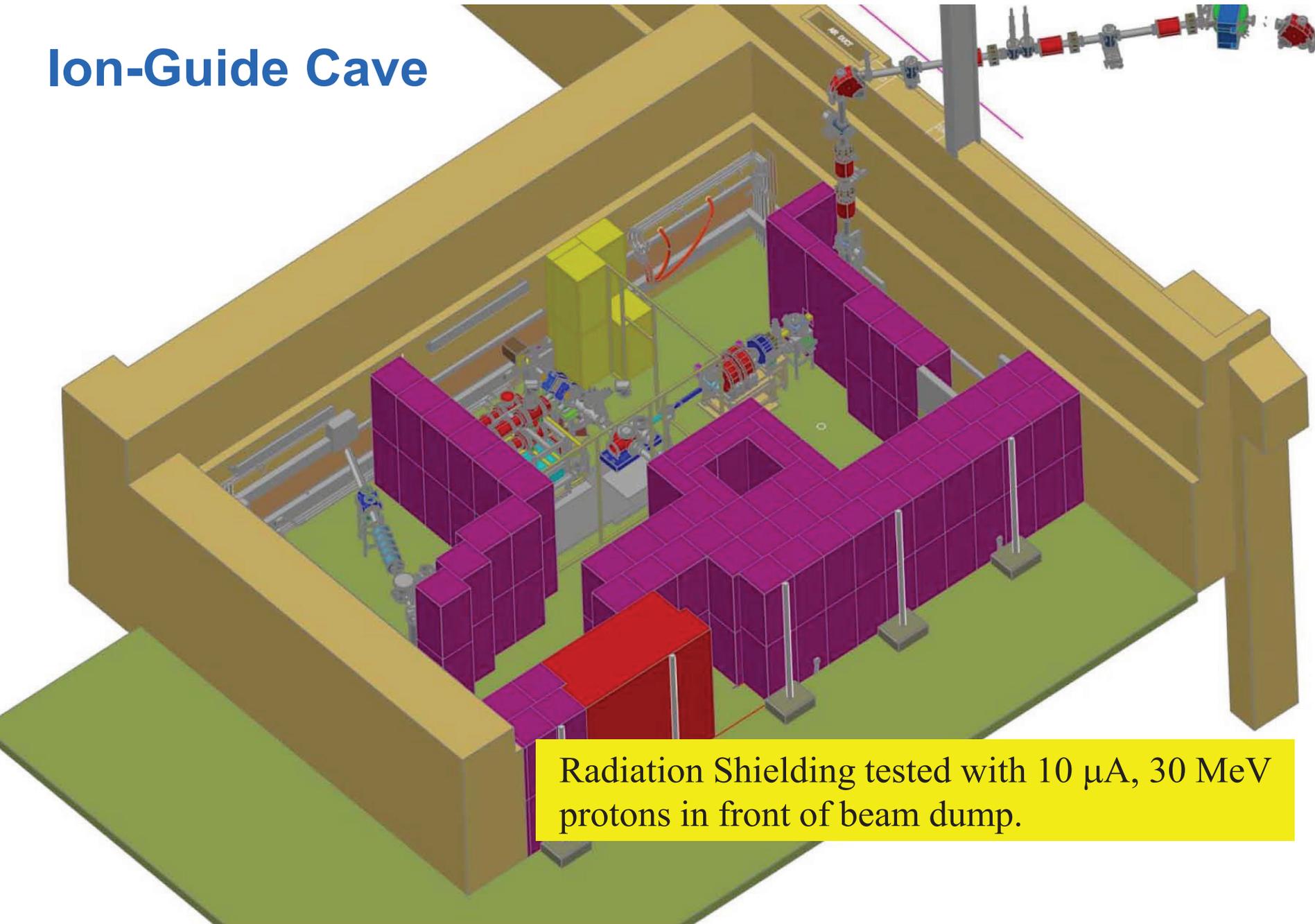
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# *Shielding the Ion-guide Cave*



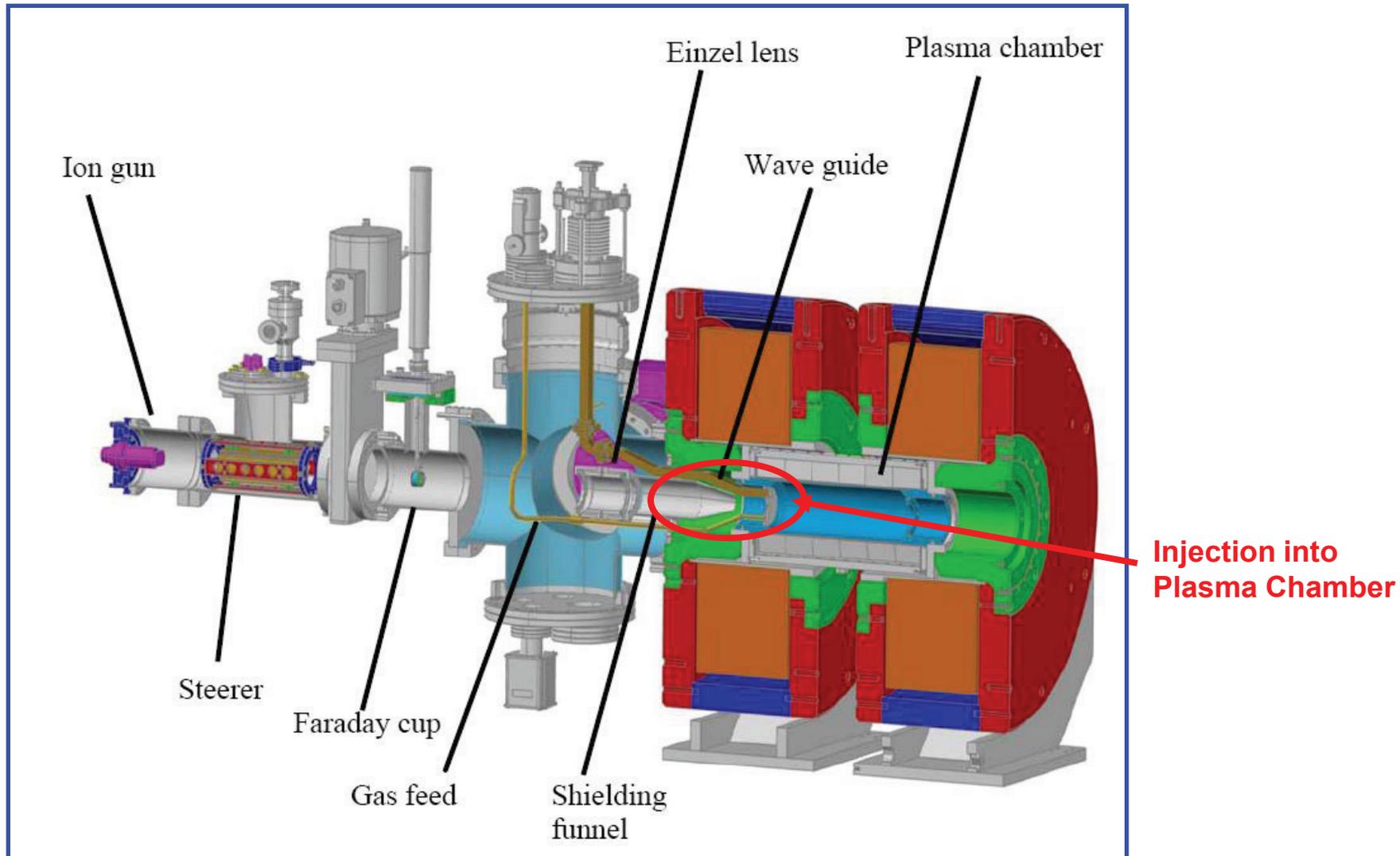
# Ion-Guide Cave



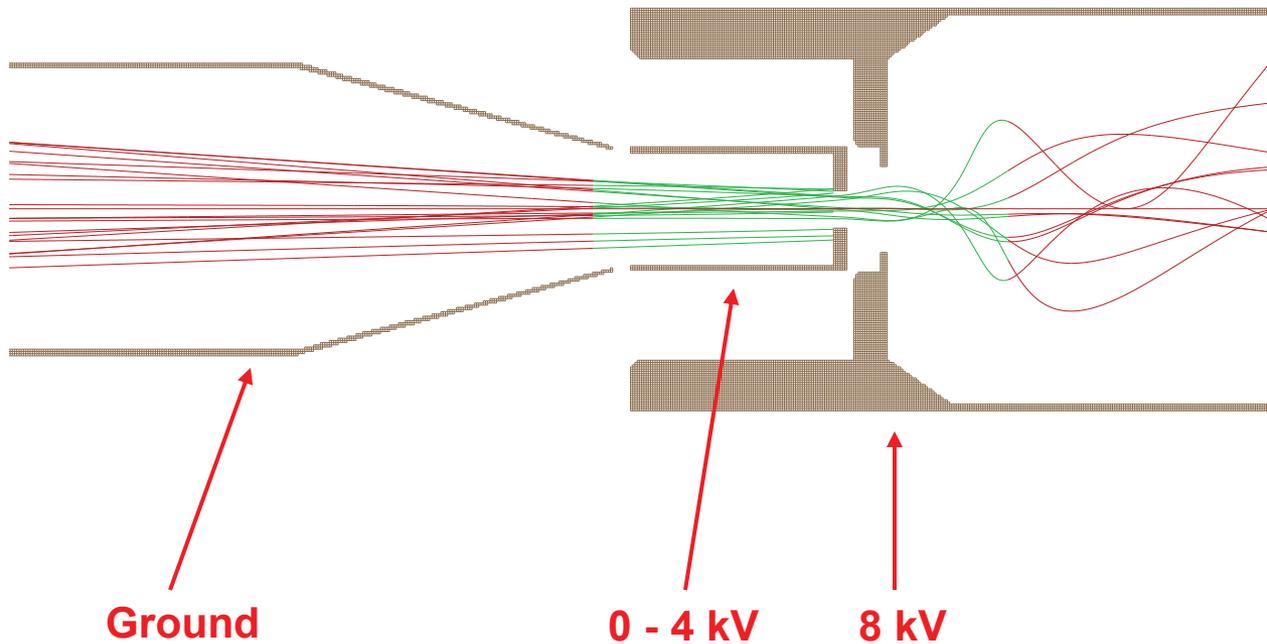
Radiation Shielding tested with  $10 \mu\text{A}$ , 30 MeV protons in front of beam dump.

# Charge-breeding using aluminosilicate ion-gun

Gabriel Tabacaru and Juha Arje

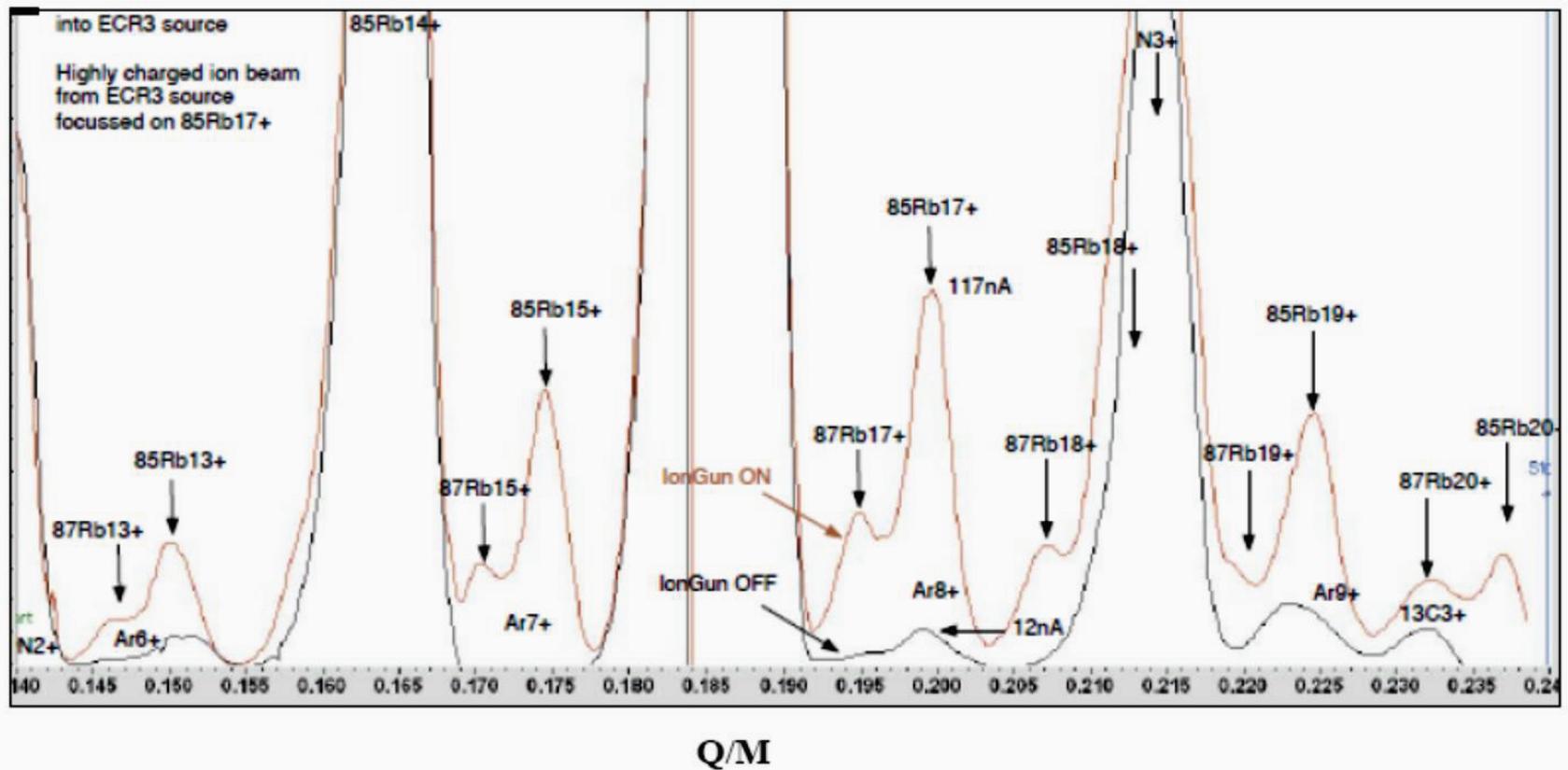


# Simulation of Ion Trajectories into CB-ECRIS Plasma Chamber (SIMION)

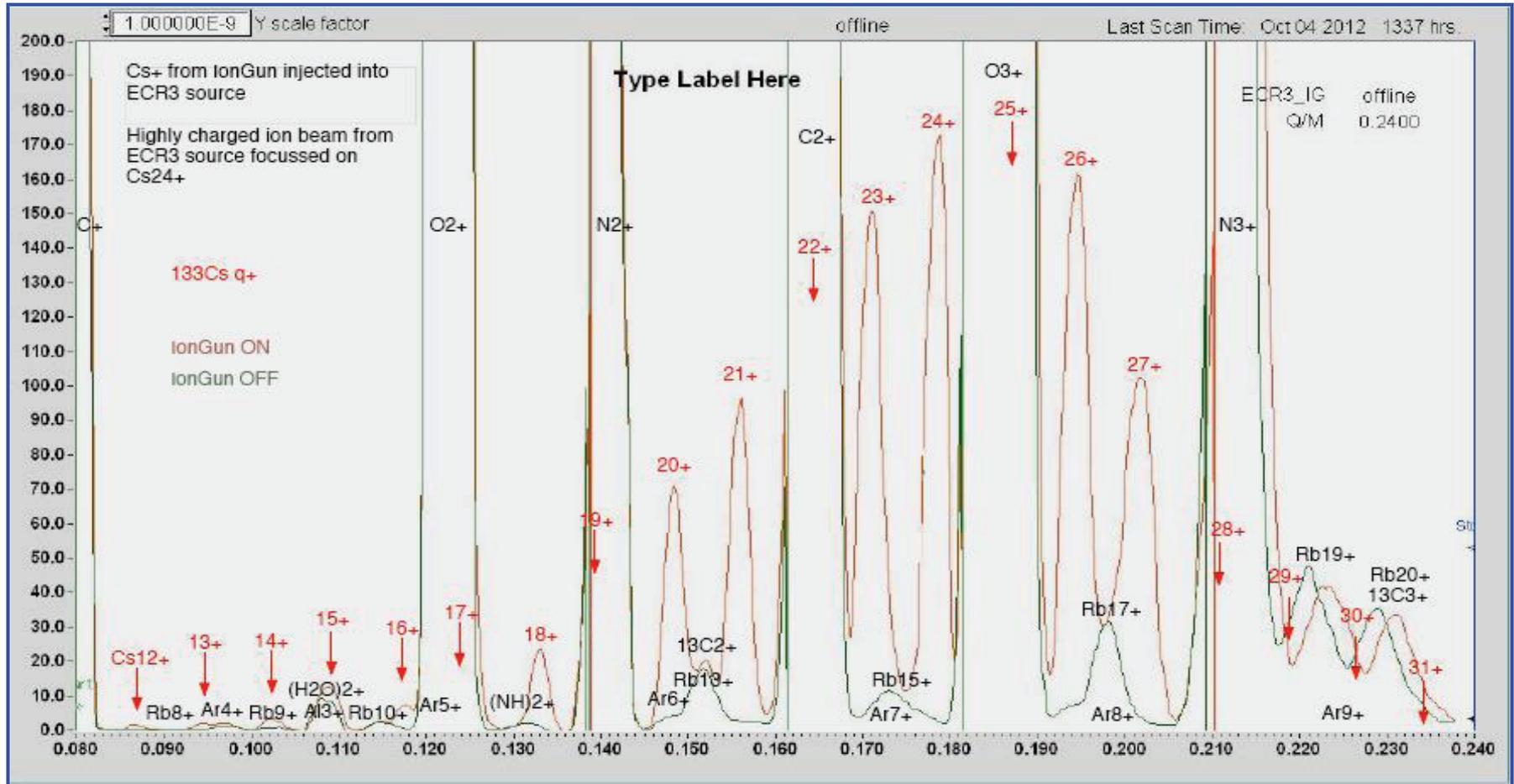


# Charge-bred Rubidium

200 nA

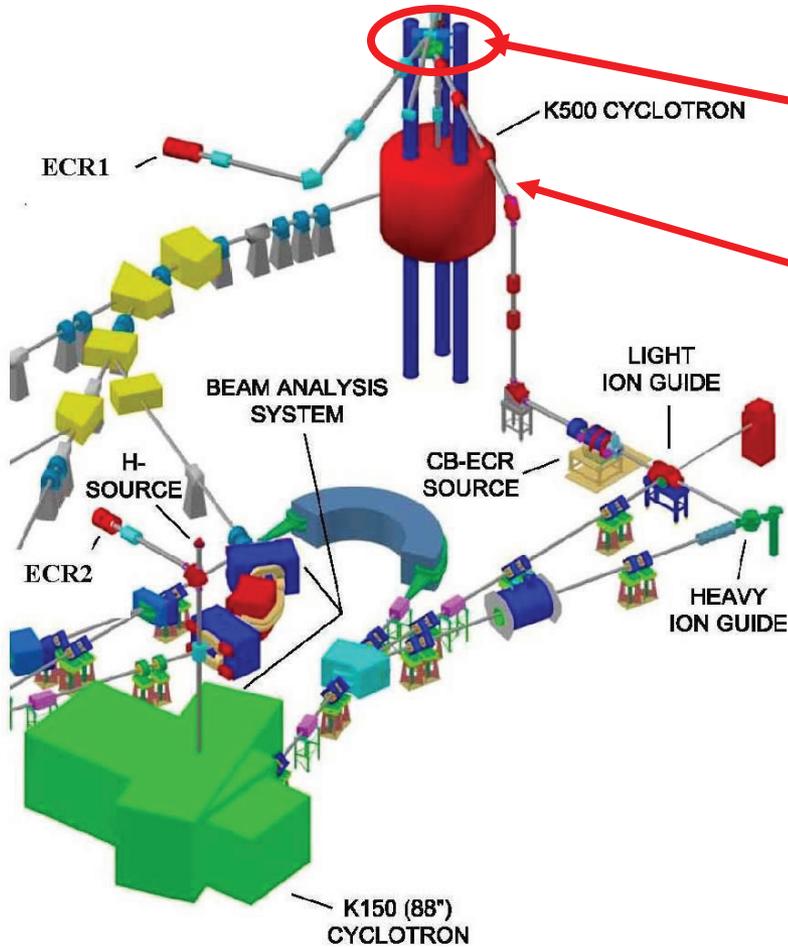


# Charge-bred Cesium



Q/M

## *N<sup>+</sup> Injection Line into the K500*



New switching magnet and 90 deg magnet installed in Jan. '12

Line completed Aug. '12

*Injection Line Vacuum – low 10<sup>-8</sup> torr*

### **Cyclotron Accelerated Beams**

**Rubidium 15<sup>+</sup> and 17<sup>+</sup>: 10 and 15 AMeV – 14% and 10% transmission (analysis to K500 extr.)**

**Cesium 24<sup>+</sup>: 10 AMeV - 13% transmission.**

*At present the effort is to couple LIG to  
CB-ECRIS using K150 beam as ionizer.*

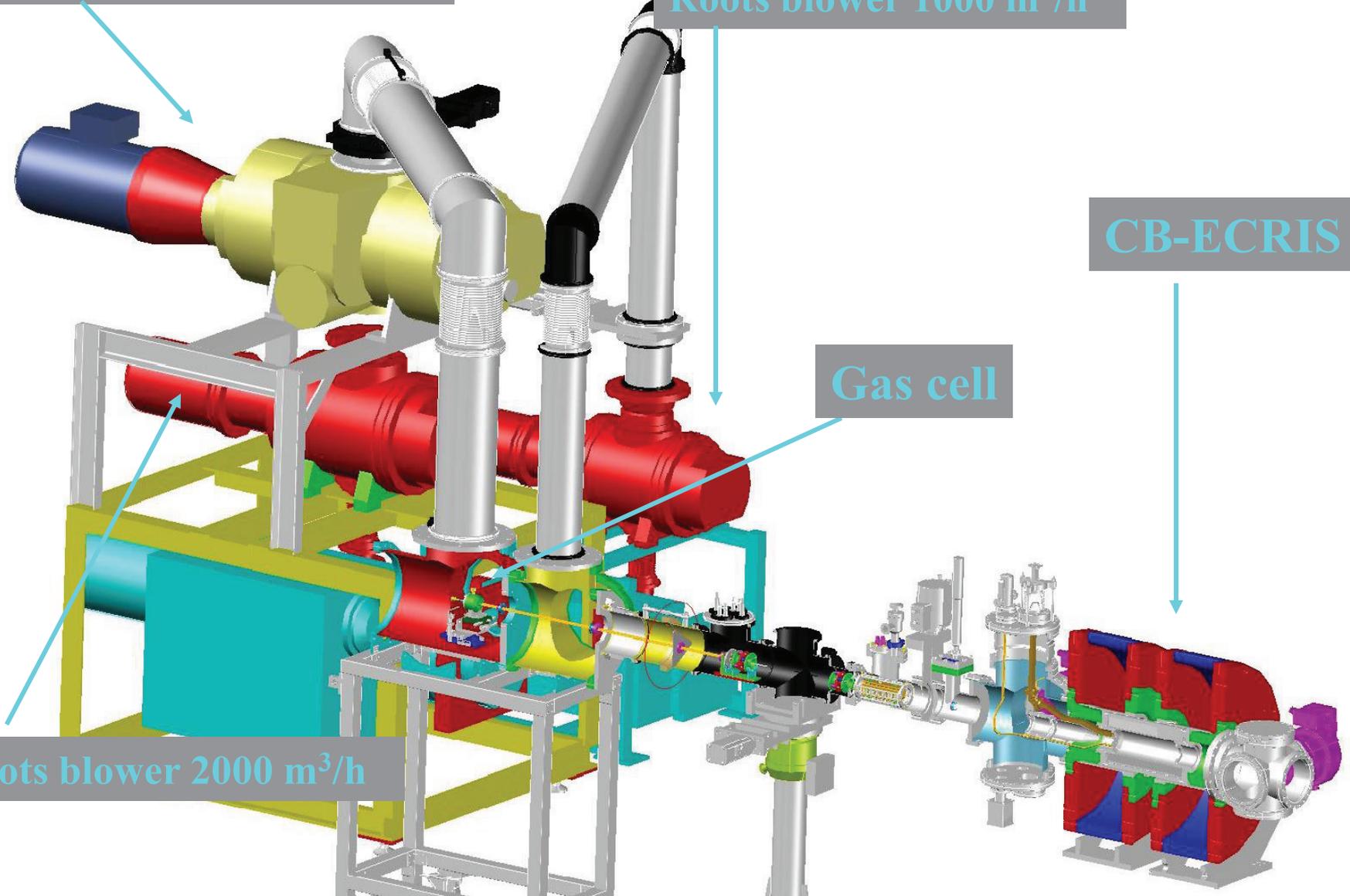
Roots blower 6000 m<sup>3</sup>/h

Roots blower 1000 m<sup>3</sup>/h

CB-ECRIS

Gas cell

Roots blower 2000 m<sup>3</sup>/h



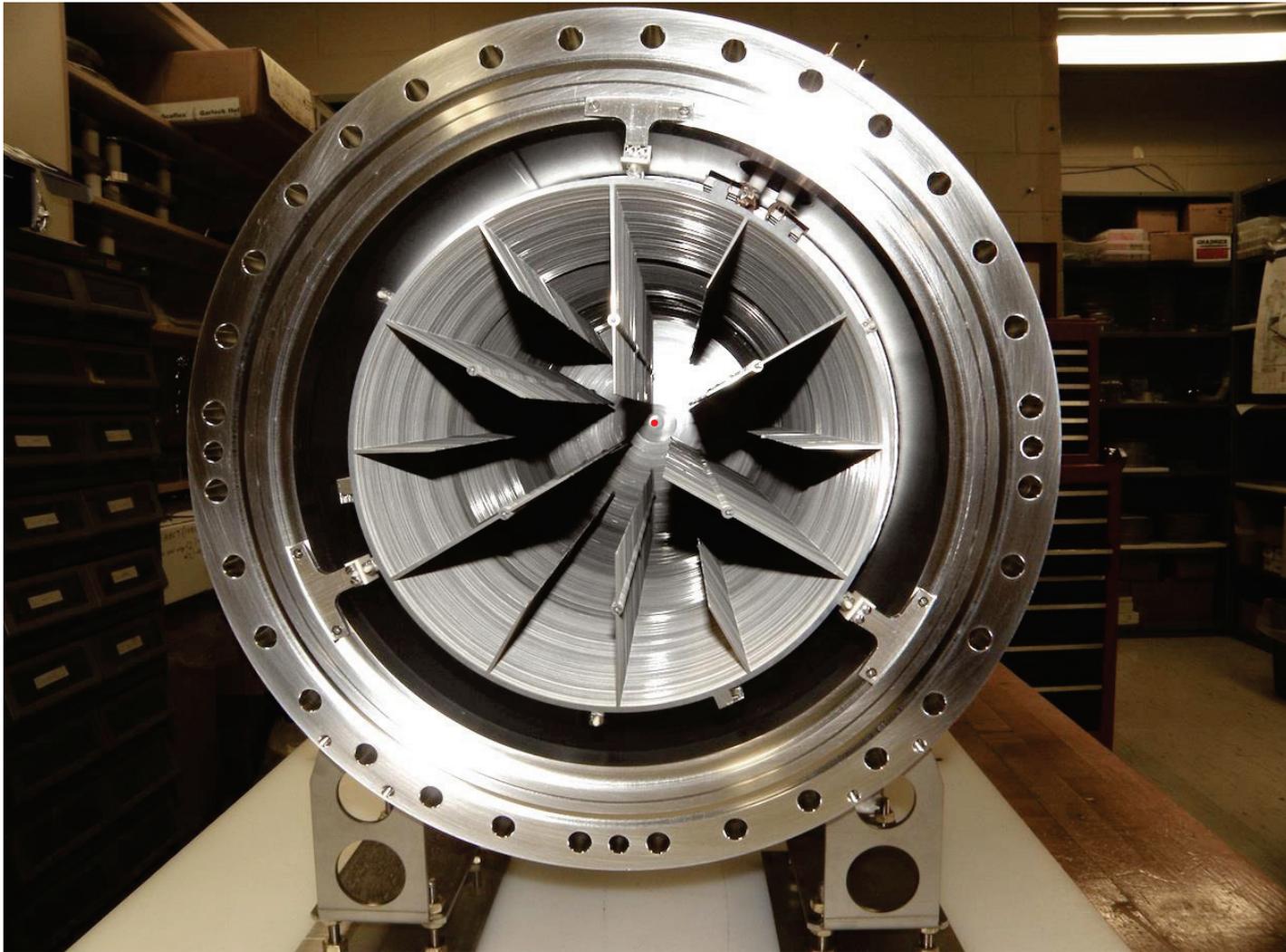
# *Heavy Ion Line*

## **Repair of BigSol Spectrometer heat leak – Fred Abbeglen**



**BIGSOL now tested and awaiting installation in the K150 vault**

# HI Gas Catcher – Greg Chubaryan and ANL (G. Savard)



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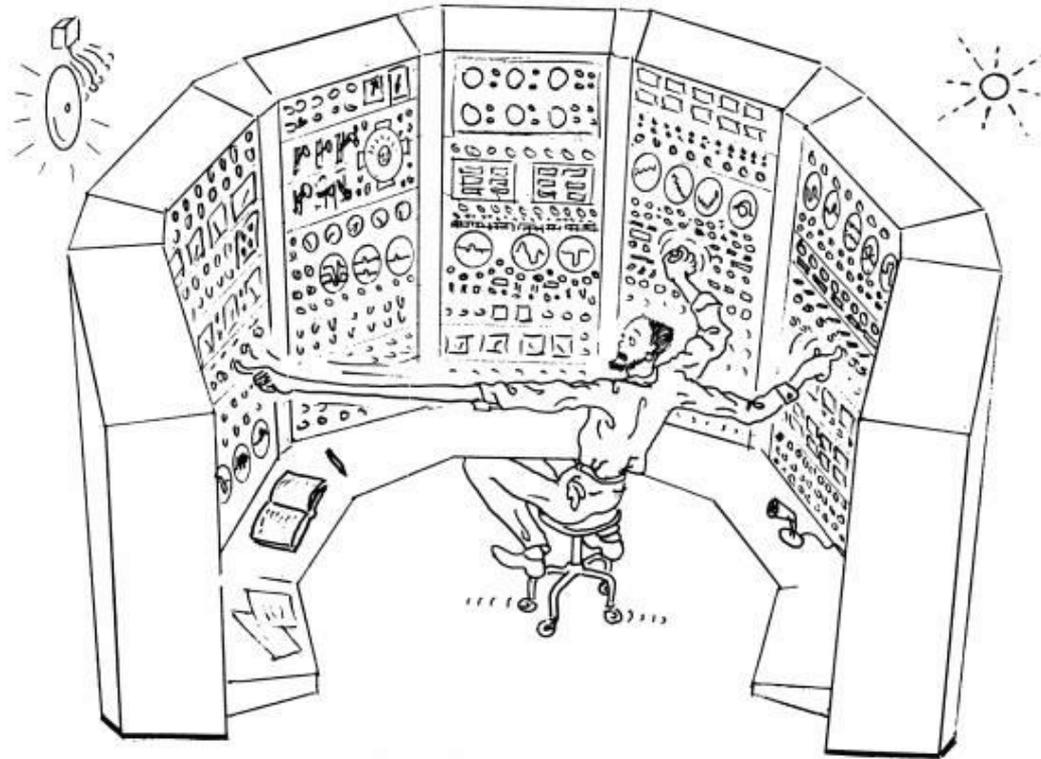


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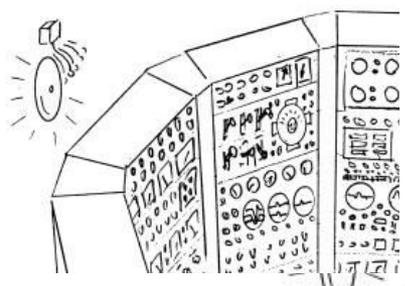
## Possible scenario for RIB acceleration(2010)



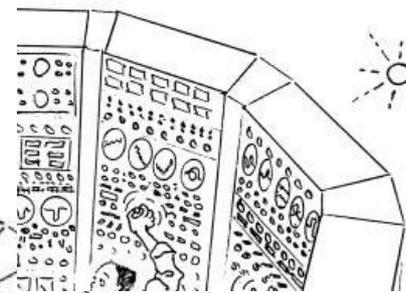
*... the operator*

Courtesy Dave Judd and  
Ronn MacKenzie

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High Bay



Mezzanine



Updated Possible Scenario

Control Room

Basement



... the operator