

# CYCLOTRON 13

## ECR SOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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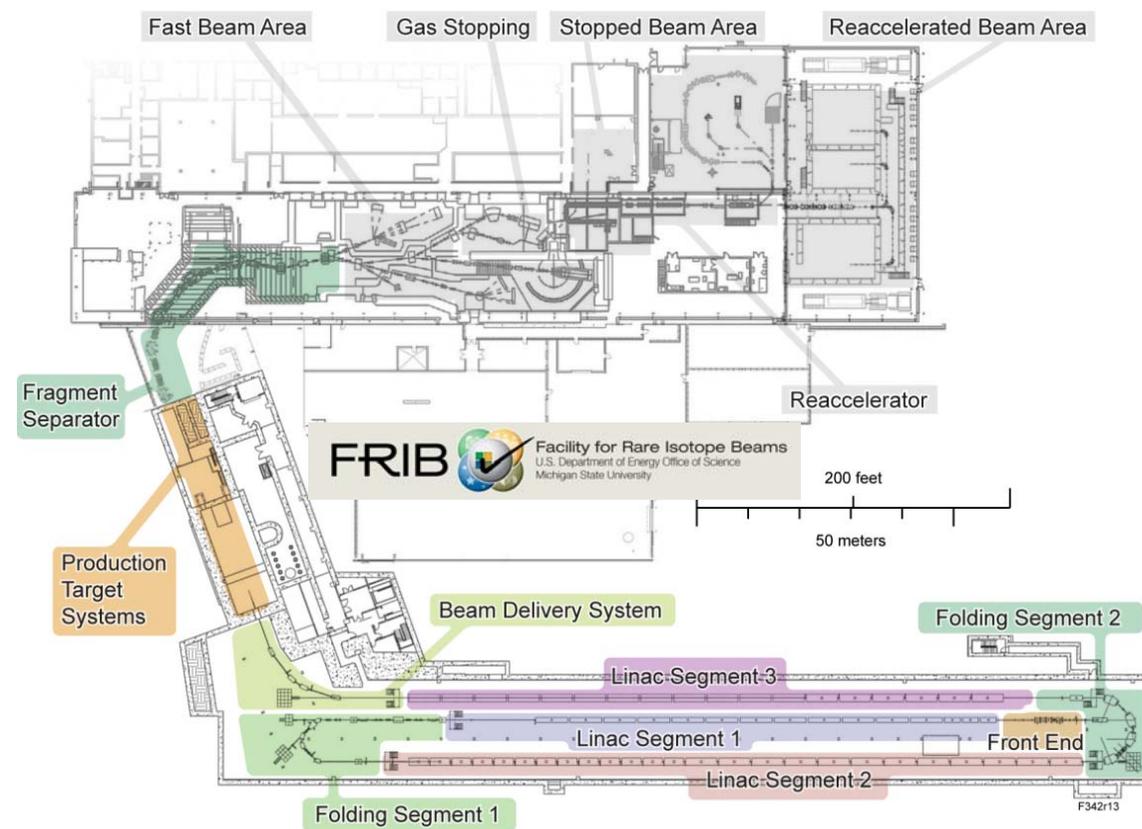
# Preamble

- The ECRIS'12 Workshop and the ICIS'13 Conference demonstrated that the ECR Ion Source field is still very active
- Many interesting new developments have been presented in the last years, but it 's unfortunately impossible to summarize all of them in 25 minutes
- The philosophy retained for this presentation is to focus on some
  - new challenging projects
  - newcomers
  - Original/exotic developments

# OUTLINE

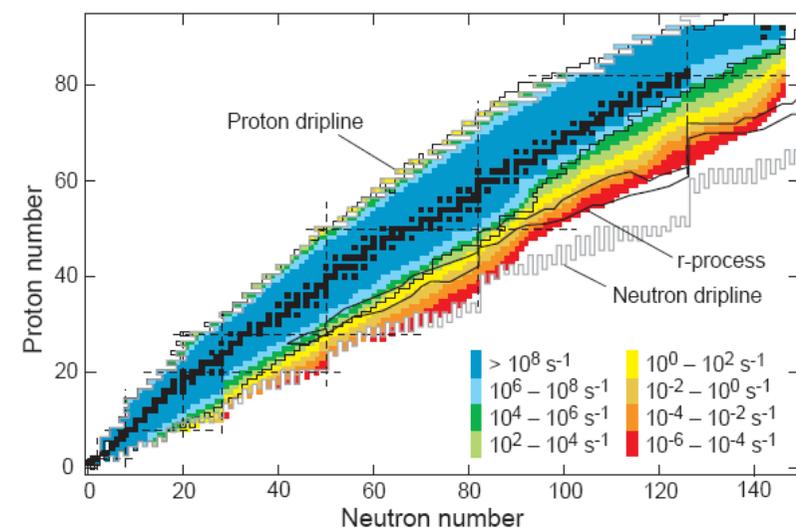
- **ECRIS DEVELOPEMENT FOR (non cyclotron) ACCELERATORS**
  - FRIB (MSU)
  - SPIRAL2 (GANIL)
  - RISP (IBS) *newcomer*
  - KBSI (KBSI Busan) *newcomer*
- **SOME ORIGINAL/EXOTIC ECRIS DEVELOPMENT**
  - INTENSE PULSED PROTON BEAMS AT IAP (IAP RAS)
  - INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS WITH THE COMIC SOURCES (LPSC)
  - $TE_{01} \rightarrow HE_{11}$  MODE CONVERTER FOR THE VENUS ECR ION SOURCE (LBL)
  - MASS SPECTROSCOPY (ANSTO) *newcomer*

# ECR developments for the FRIB project



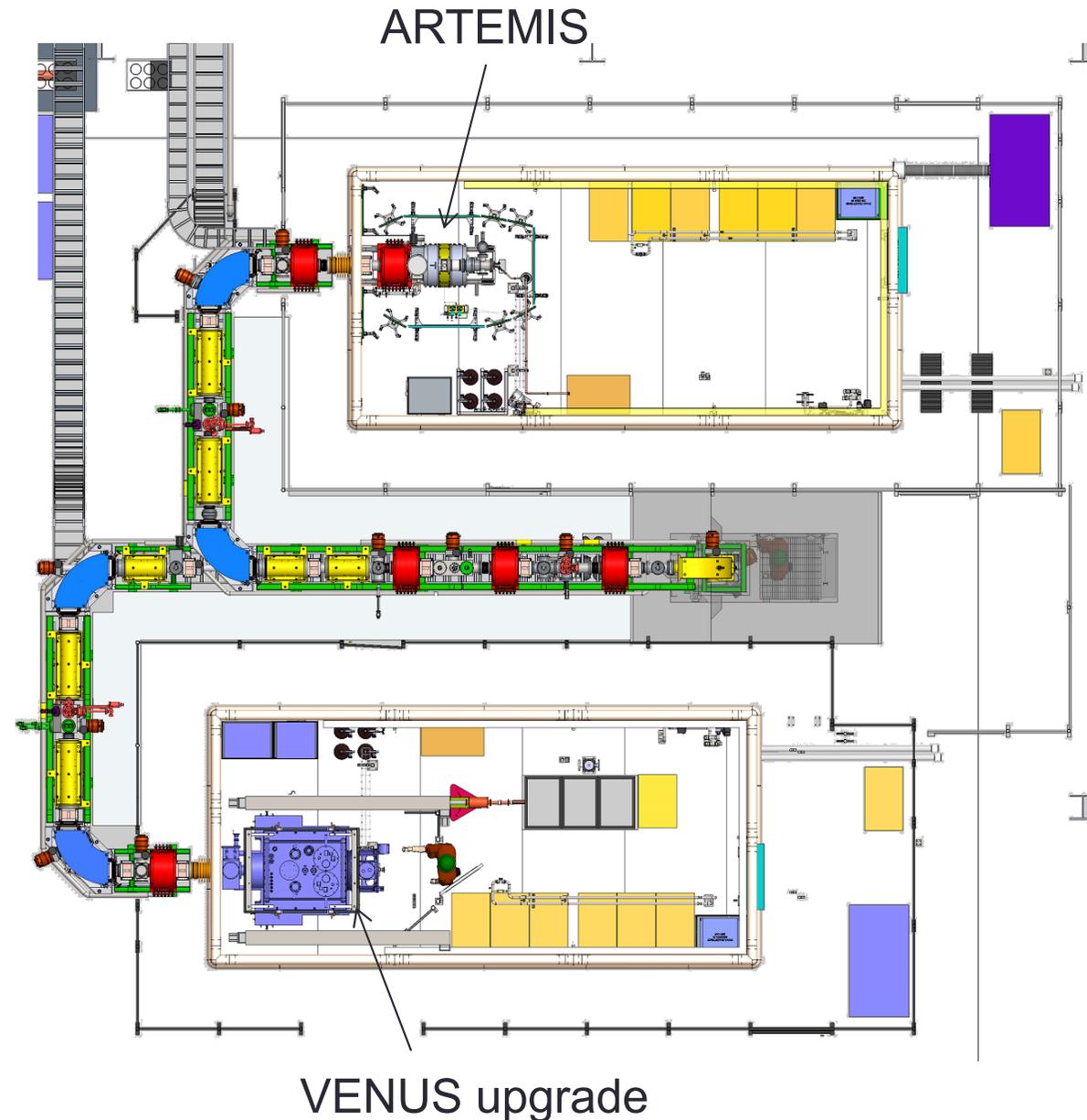
- A facility to study nuclei synthesis and properties far from stability by means of radioactive ion beams
- Accelerate ion species up to  $^{238}\text{U}$  with energies of no less than 200 MeV/u
- Provide beam power up to 400 kW to the target

- 450  $\mu\text{A}$  of  $^{238}\text{U}^{33+} + ^{238}\text{U}^{34+}$  required from the source
- Beam norm. emittance (99%):
  - $< 0.9 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$  (for single charge)
  - $< 0.6 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$  (for dual charge)

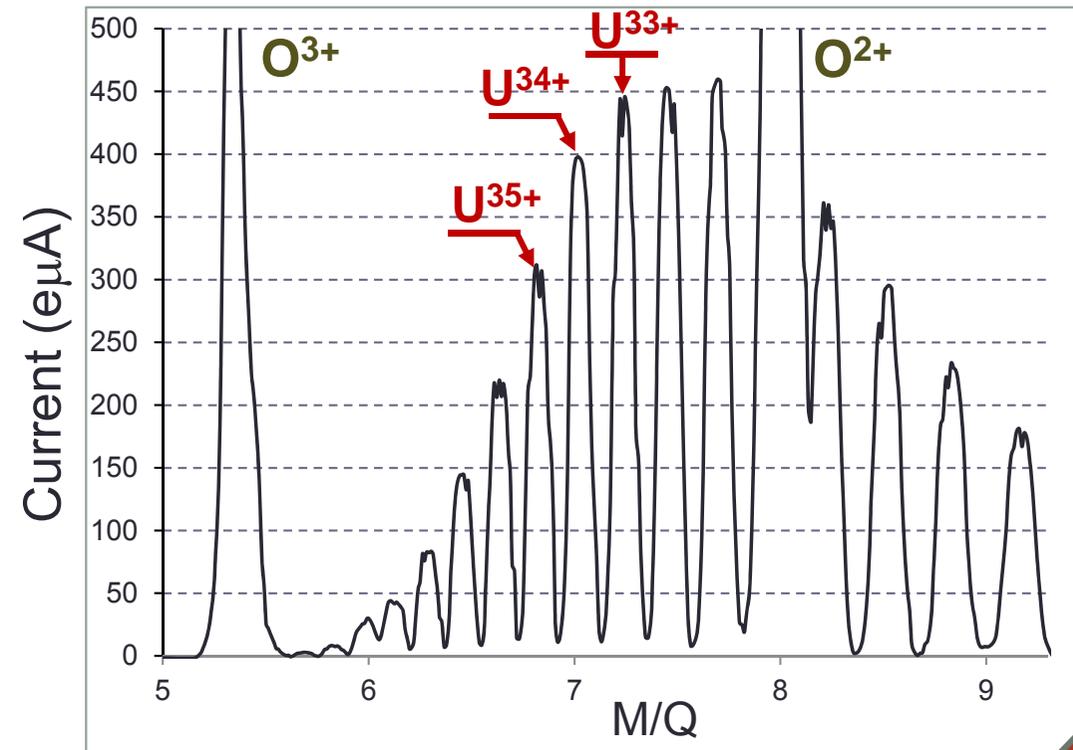


# FRIB ECR systems

- Two ECR on two 100 kV HV platforms:
  - Existing ARTEMIS ECRIS (room temp.)
    - For commissioning
  - An upgraded version of VENUS
    - For high intensity beam operation
    - Under design
- A complex achromatic LEBT to transport simultaneously  $U^{33+}+U^{34+}$  beams
  - The LINAC is one floor below (not shown here)

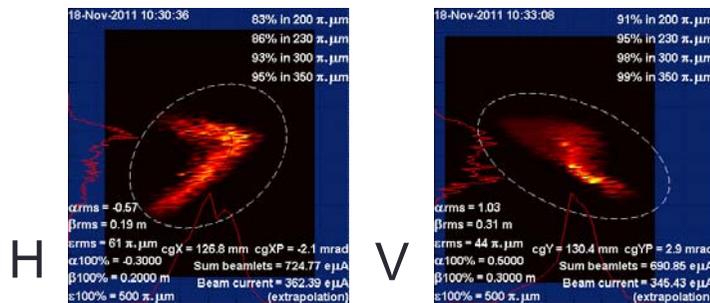


# Uranium production test with VENUS (LBNL+MSU)



- Impressive Uranium spectrum!
- Oven with a Rhenium crucible
  - U consumption ~9 mg/h
- 2 kW 18 GHz + 6.5 kW 28 GHz
  - VENUS tuned to its maximum experimental power
- LEBT transmission limited at 22 kV
  - HV drain 9 mA, FC tot ~5 mA
- No production limitation observed: source still responsive with power and oven temperature

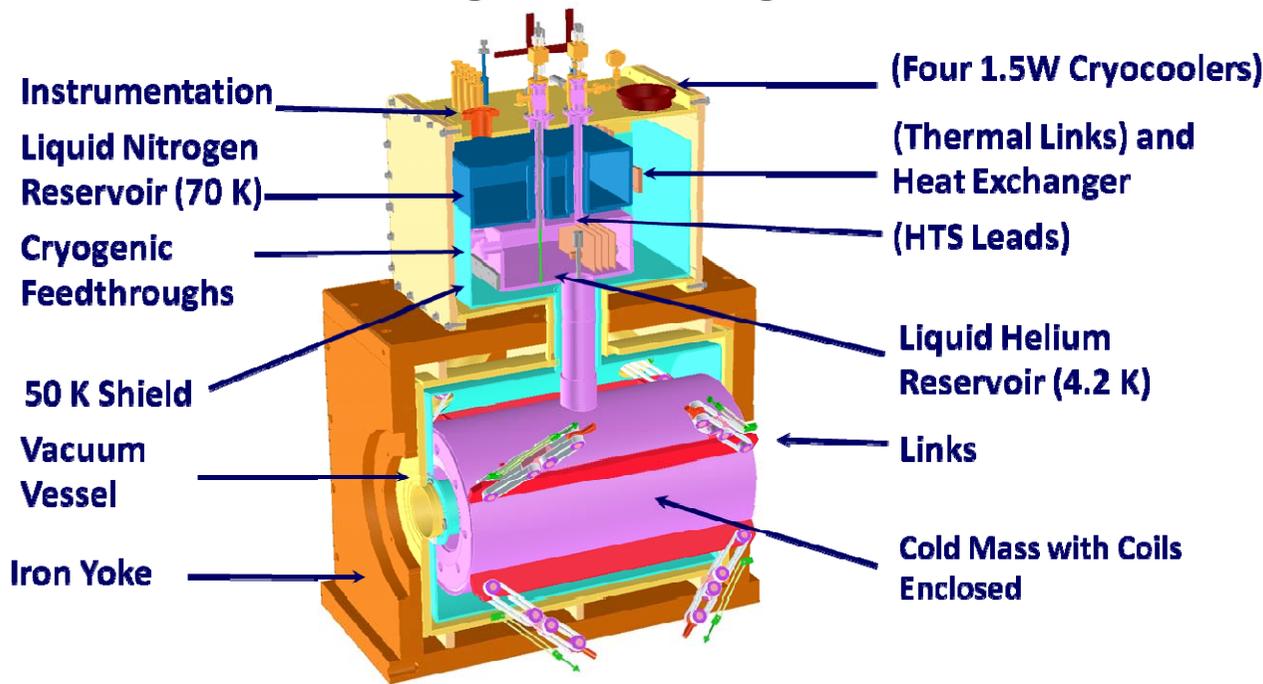
- Emittance compatible with FRIB specification



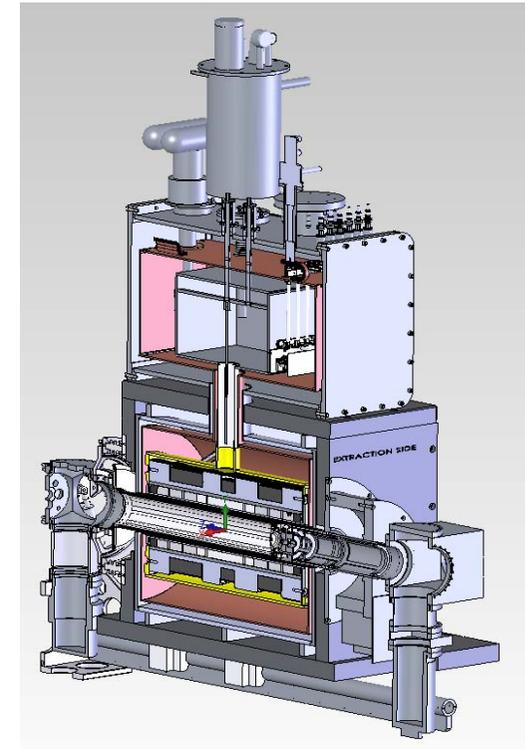
Validates the FRIB operation  
 With 220 µA U<sup>33+</sup> + 220 µA U<sup>34+</sup>

# VENUS upgrade for FRIB

- VENUS original design

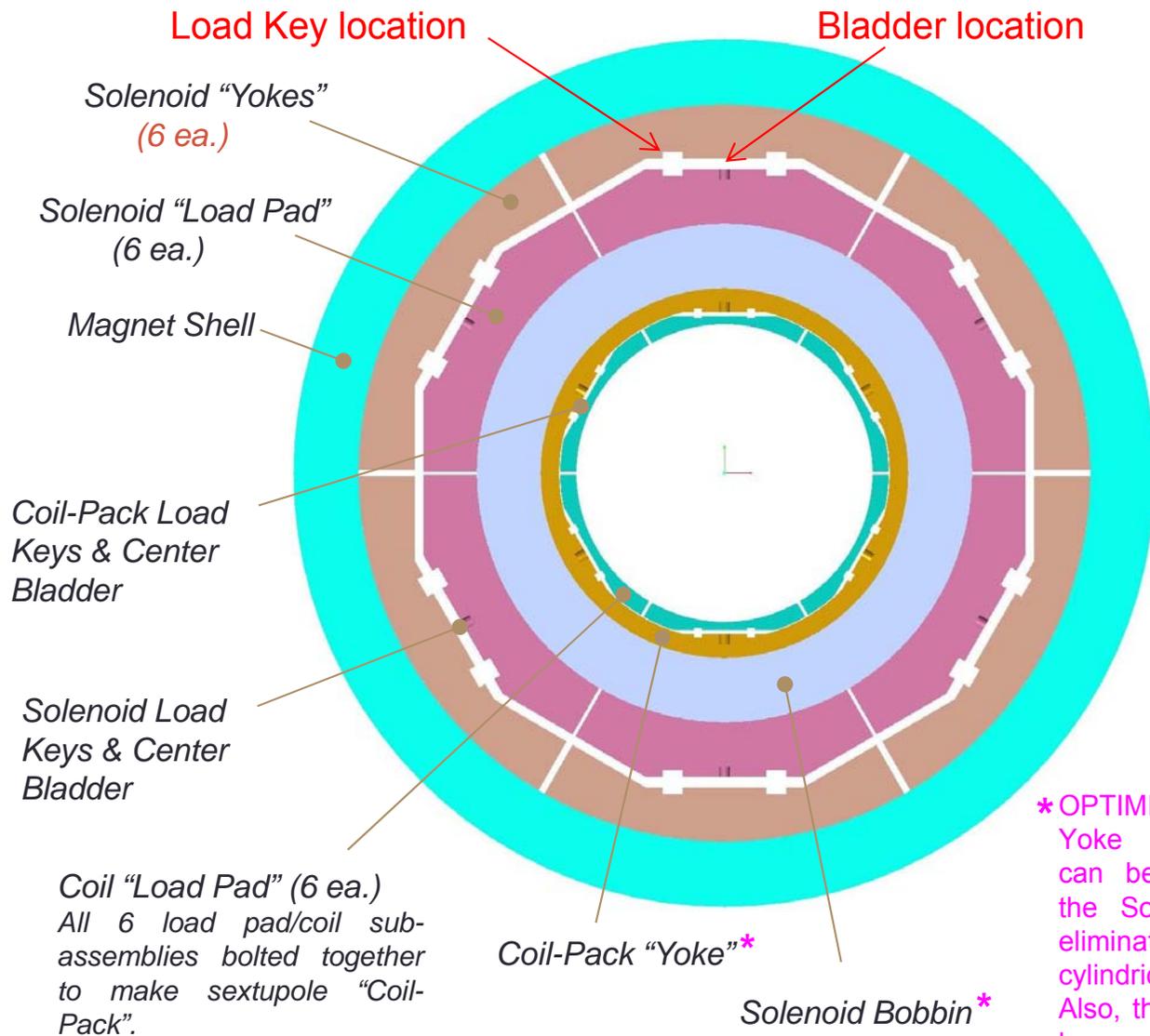


- VENUS upgrade for FRIB



- Cold mass of FRIB SC-ECR essentially identical to VENUS
  - re-design entrusted to LBL Superconducting Group (see next slides)
- Original VENUS Cryostat extensively modified (MSU)
  - Cooling rely only on cryocoolers
  - Added cooling capacity at 4.2 K (8 to 9W total vs. 5 to 6 W for VENUS)
  - Optimized material, and design to minimize heat leak and simplify maintenance

# FRIB / VENUS upgrade: possible new cold mass design

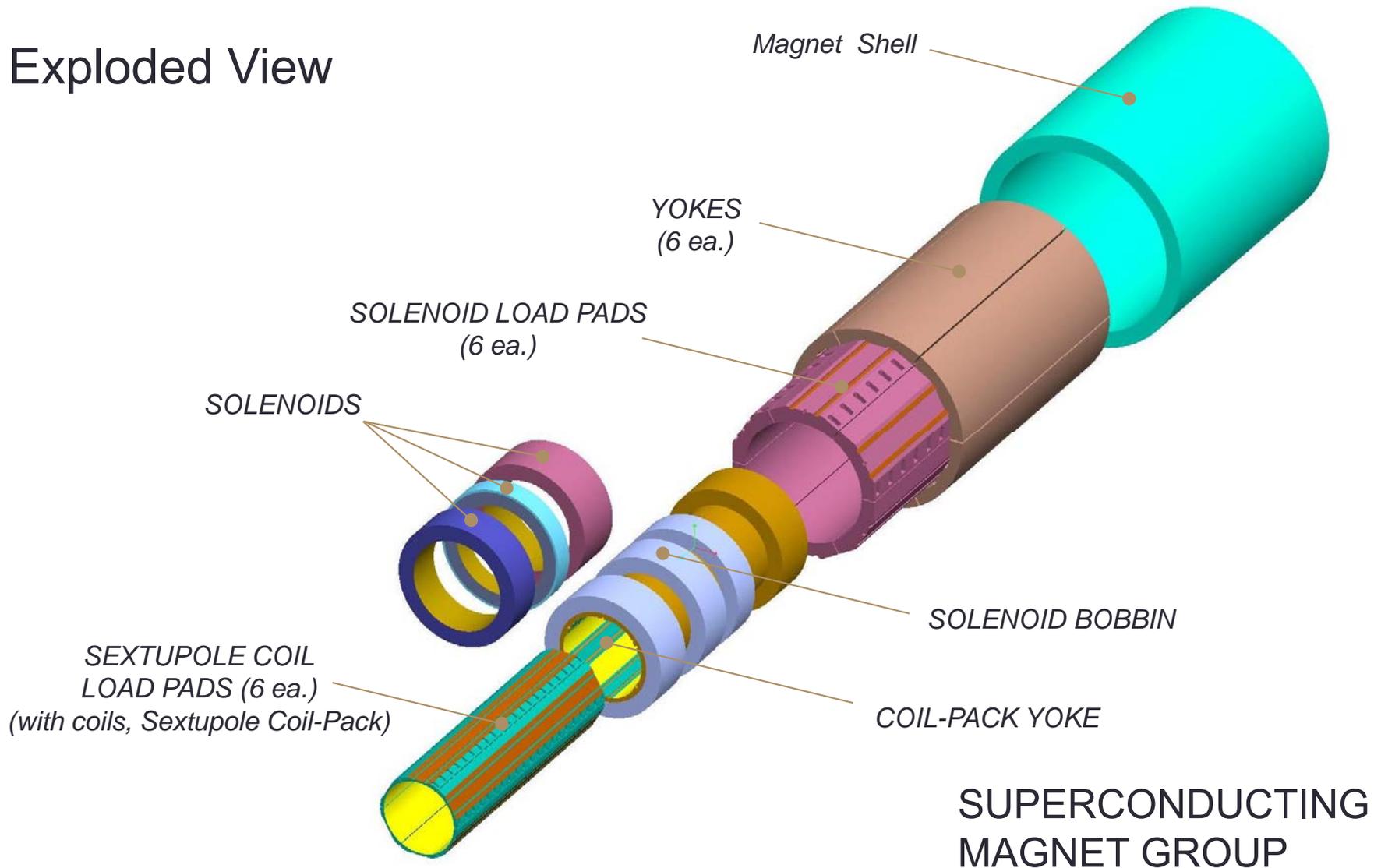


- New cold mass mechanics design for the coils
  - Bladders and Keys
- Each sextupole coil is dismountable
- Pre-stress can be modified/optimized
  - By changing the keys size

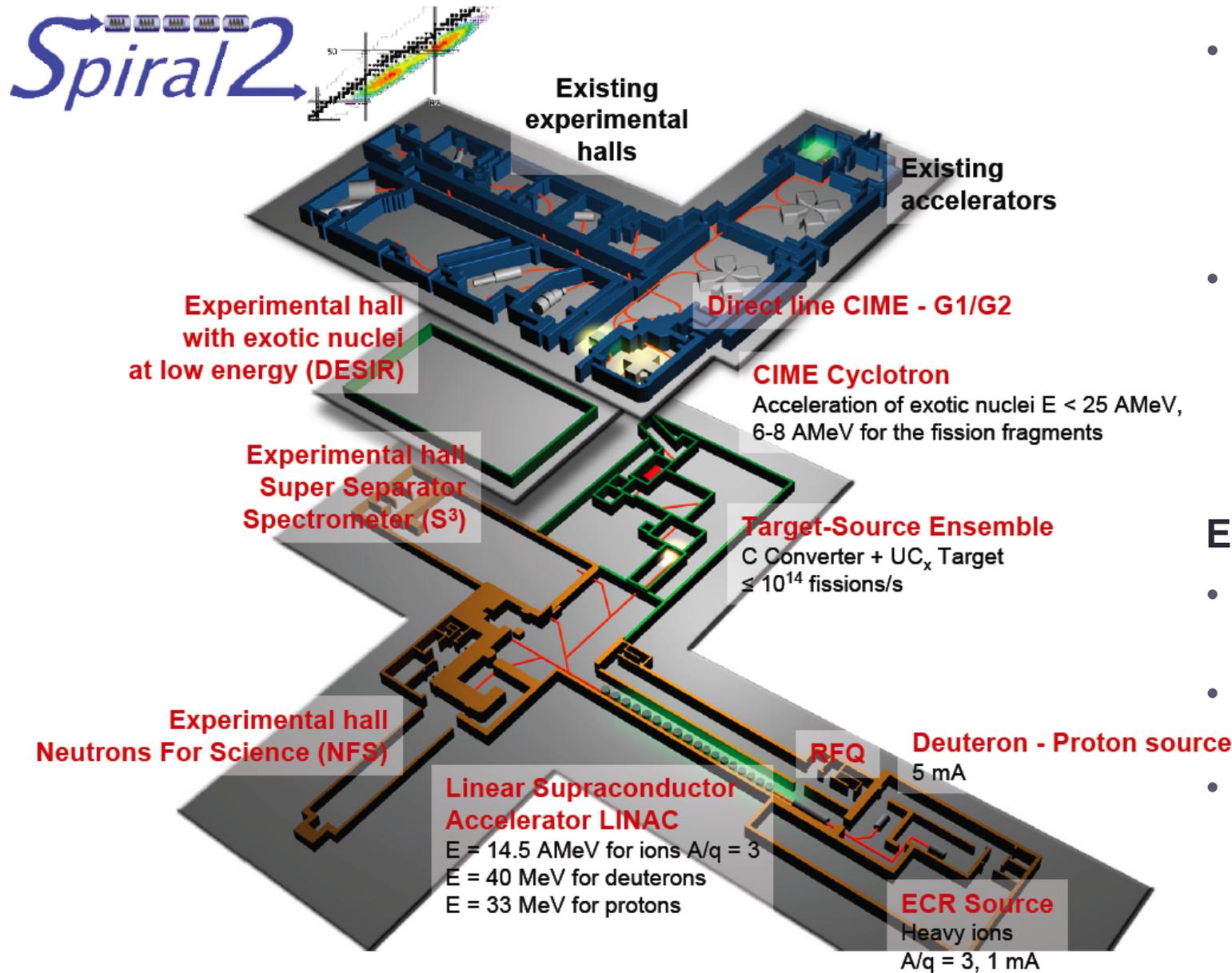
\*OPTIMIZATION:  
Yoke keyway features can be incorporated in the Solenoid Bobbin – eliminating a thin, cylindrical machining. Also, the Load Pads can be made thicker and structurally stable.

# FRIB / VENUS upgrade: possible new cold mass design

- Exploded View



# ECR development for the Spiral2 project



- GANIL extension to produce radioactive ion beams (RIB)
  - 5 mA Deuterons on target
  - Re-acceleration of RIBs in existing cyclotron
- Stable Heavy ion program with the LINAC
  - Super Separator Spectrometer
  - Neutron for Science

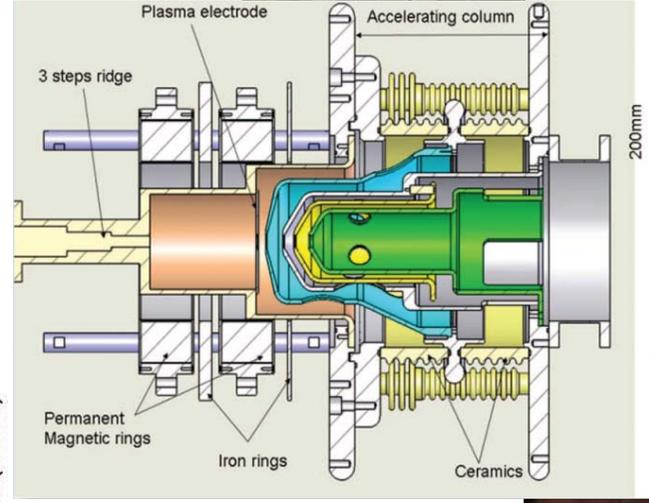
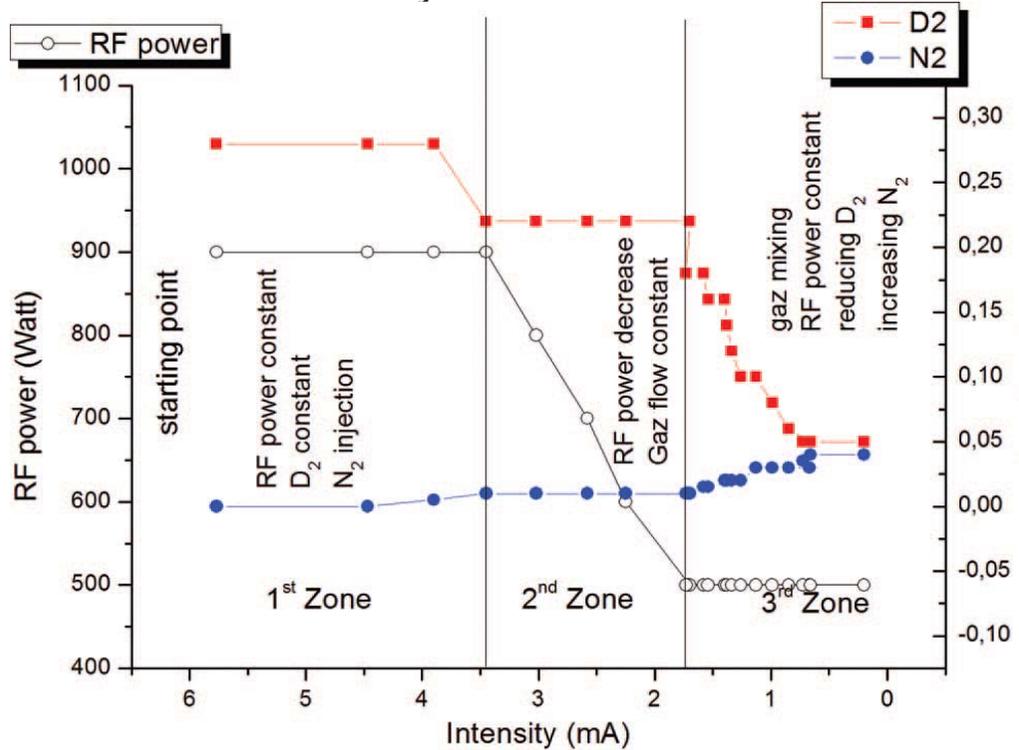
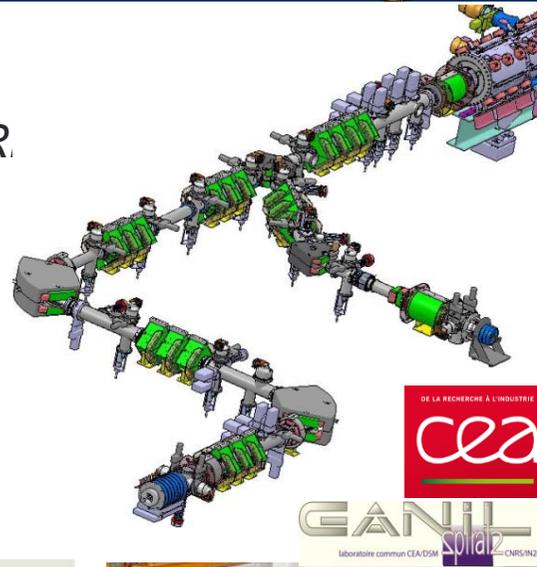
## ECR challenge:

- Produce 1 mA  $A/Q=3$  beams up to the argon mass at 60 kV
- Produce high intensity Metallic beams (Ni, Ca, S, Si, C...)
- Emittance  $1\sigma$  norm. RMS  $< 0.4 \pi$ .mm.mrad

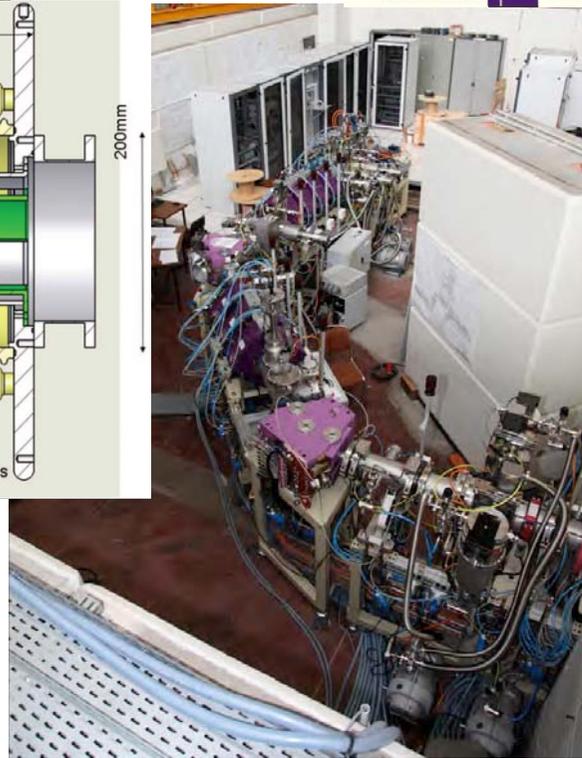
# Deuteron Spiral2 LEBT commissioning

- A variation of the SILHI (Taylor) source
  - Permanent magnets
  - The source produces up to 100 mA of D+
  - 0.1 to 5 mA required @ 40 kV OK (see plot)
  - Emittance OK
- Source and LEBT commissioned at CEA/IRFU Saclay
- Now under assembly at GANIL

Deuteron ECR



- 1: injection of N<sub>2</sub>, P=cst
- 2: reduction of P, N<sub>2</sub>=cst
- 3: D reduced, N<sub>2</sub> increased



Deuteron LEBT @ IRFU

# A/Q=3 ECR and LEBT commissioning

- Source and LEBT commissioned at LPSC, Grenoble
  - Excellent transmission ( $T > 90\%$ )
- Starter source is PHOENIX V2
  - Room temperature 18 GHz ECRIS
  - **OK** for LINAC commissioning at GANIL and first year experiments
  - Emittance **OK**
- But a new high performance ECRIS should be built (and financed) to fulfill the final beam requirement



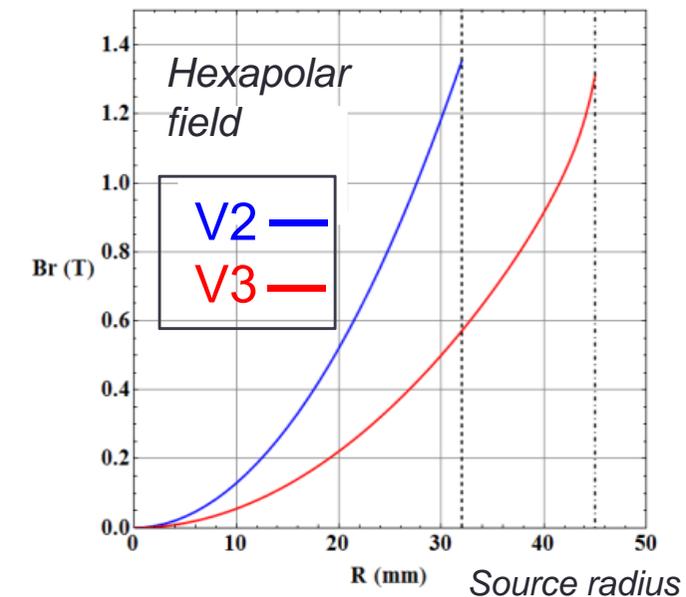
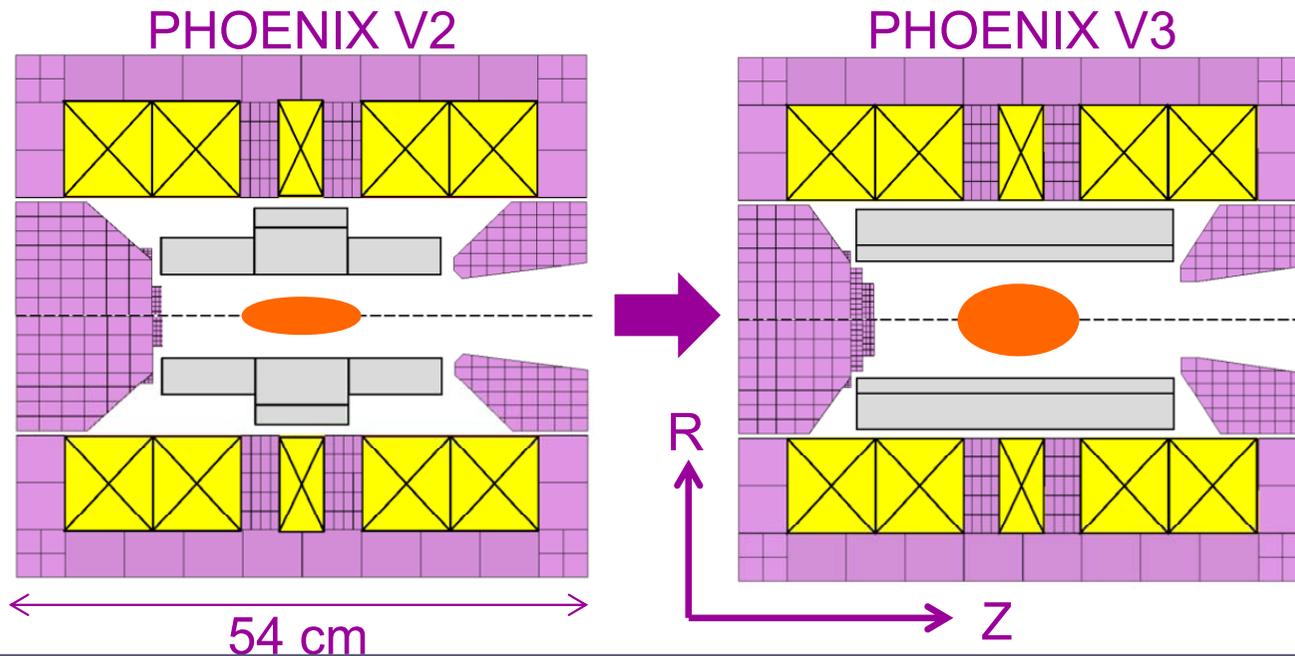
Ion	Required ( $\mu\text{A}$ )	PHOENIX V2 ( $\mu\text{A}$ )	World record ( $\mu\text{A}$ )	Ref.
O <sup>6+</sup>	1000	1300	3000	VENUS
S <sup>12+</sup>	240	55	-	-
Ar <sup>14+</sup>	420	50	514	VENUS
Ca <sup>16+</sup>	160	16	70	SECRAL
Ni <sup>19+</sup>	57	19	50	SUSI



Heavy ion LEBT @ LPSC

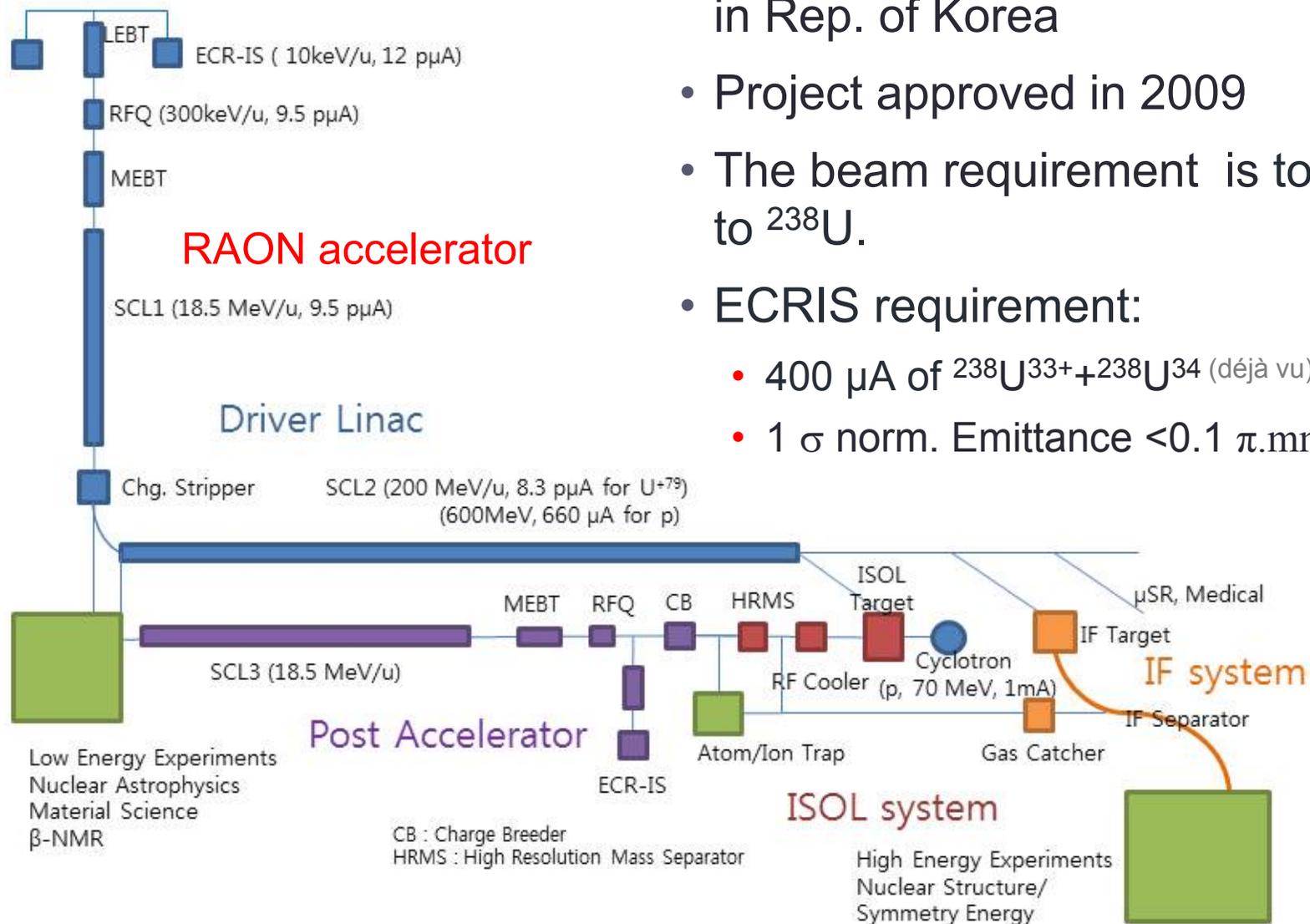
# Spiral2 ECR $A/Q=3$ upgrade and prospect

- PHOENIX V2 → PHOENIX V3 upgrade
  - Increase the plasma chamber volume : 0.7 → 1.4 litre
  - ECR Magnetic confinement kept identical
  - Expected shift of CSD: Gain expected +50-100% on  $A/Q=3$
  - Under design, to be assembled and tested in 2014



- Long term upgrade: design and build a superconducting 28 GHz ECRIS
  - Pending funding

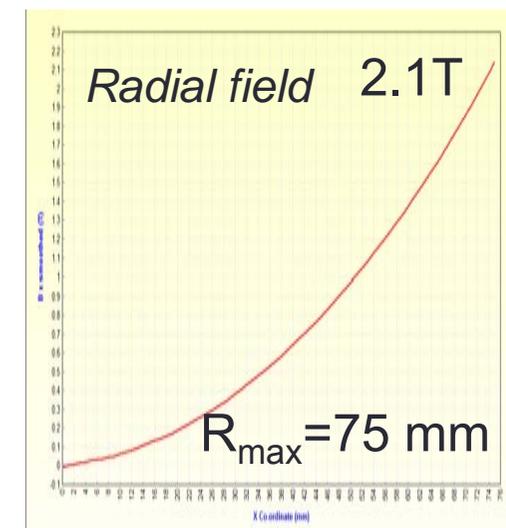
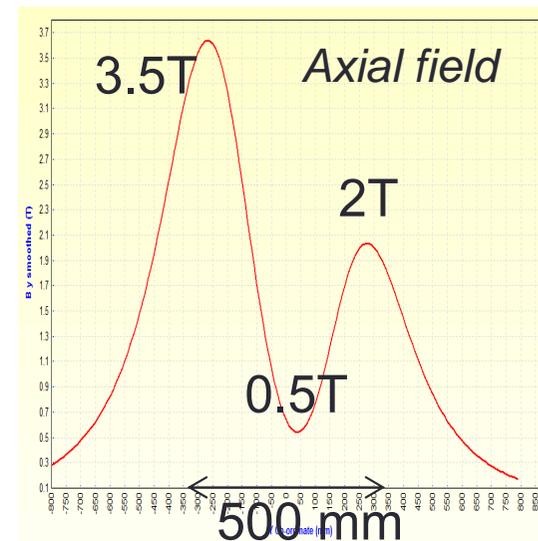
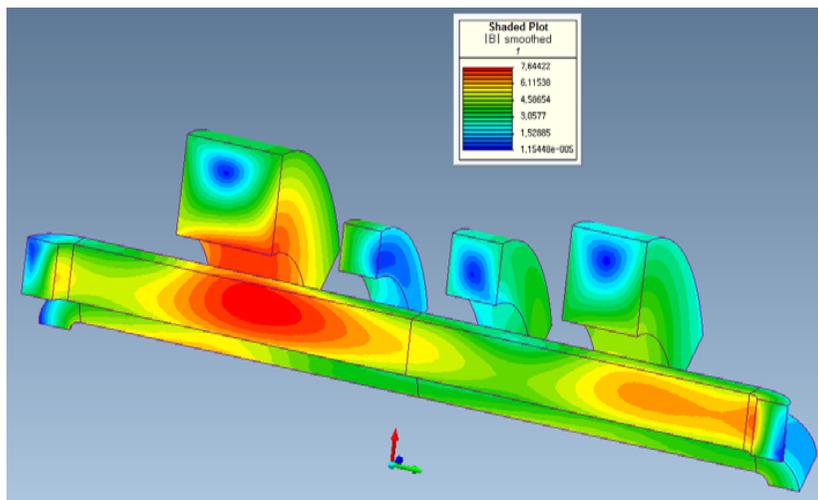
# The Rare Isotope Science Project (Institute of Basic Science)



- A new RIB facility to study nuclei far from stability in Rep. of Korea
- Project approved in 2009
- The beam requirement is to accelerate ion from H to  $^{238}\text{U}$ .
- ECRIS requirement:
  - 400  $\mu\text{A}$  of  $^{238}\text{U}^{33+} + ^{238}\text{U}^{34}$  (déjà vu)
  - $1 \sigma$  norm. Emittance  $< 0.1 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$

# ECRIS development for the RAON accelerator

- A Newcomer team in the ECRIS community from Daejeon
- A 28 GHz superconducting ECRIS is under development
  - Overall dimension and cryostat technology similar to VENUS
  - 4 axial coils instead of the usual 3 (inspired by the SUSI SC (MSU) with its 6 coils)



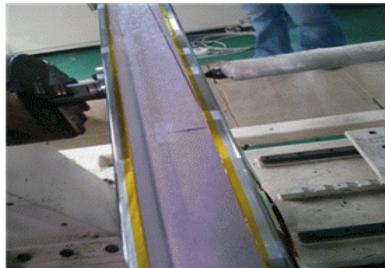
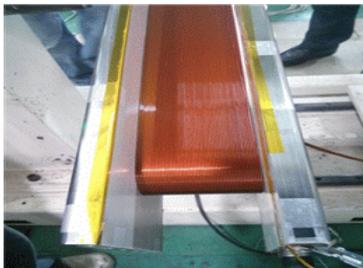
Boundary condition :

$$B_{inj} > 3.5B_{ecr}, B_{ext} \sim 2B_{ecr}, B_r \sim 2B_{ecr}, B_{min} \sim 0.8B_{ecr}$$

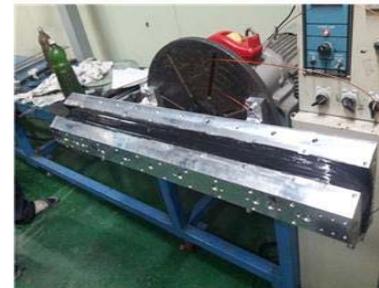
Design result :  $B_{inj} = 3.61 \text{ T}$ ,  $B_{ext} = 2.07 \text{ T}$ ,  $B_r = 2.17 B_{ecr}$ ,  $B_{min} = 0.545 \text{ T}$

# Superconducting coil prototyping

- 3 single hexapolar coils prototype have been built
  - Rectangular wire  $1.9 \times 1 \text{ mm}^2$  with Cu:NbTi ratio of 3:1
  - 1 saddle coil wet winding, no fiber cloth
  - 1 racetrack coil pre-preg impregnation (wet winding, fiber cloth)
  - 1 saddle coil, pre-preg impregnation => validated



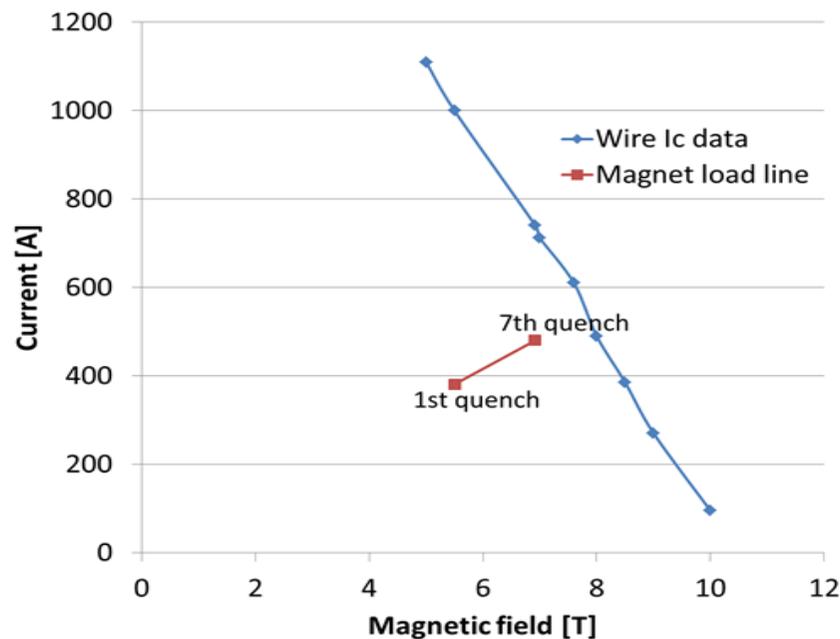
racetrack type



Saddle type

# Superconducting coil test performed in LHe

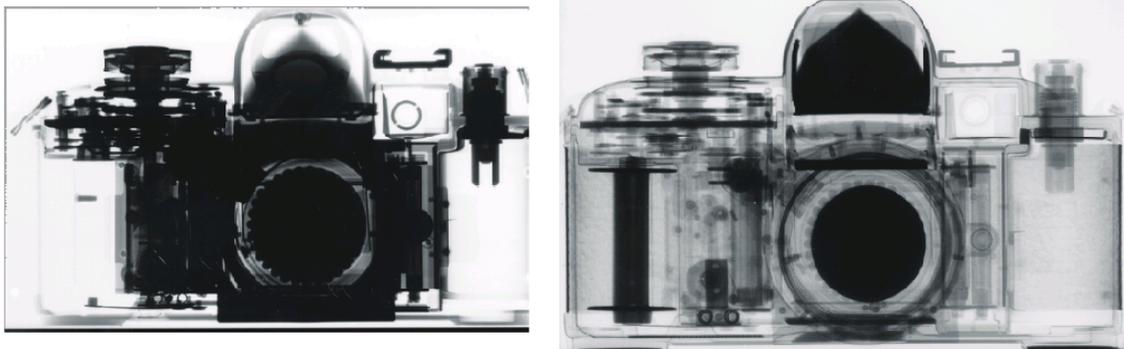
- The final saddle prototype reached 95% of wire  $I_c$  current data
  - Validation of the design
- Other coils under construction
- Final assembly and test will follow



# A new compact LINAC at the Korean Basic Science Institute, (KBSI), Busan, South Korea

- Project started in 2009 *Unfortunately only a few papers available on the topic...*
- The goal is to produce intense fast neutron flux up to  $5 \times 10^{13}$  n/s applied to neutron radiography
- A LINAC accelerates 1 mA of  ${}^7\text{Li}^{3+}$  to produce fast neutron flux in a windowless hydrogen target
  - LEBT equipped with a 28 GHz SC ECR Ion Source
  - RFQ 500 kV/u
  - DTL 3 MeV/u

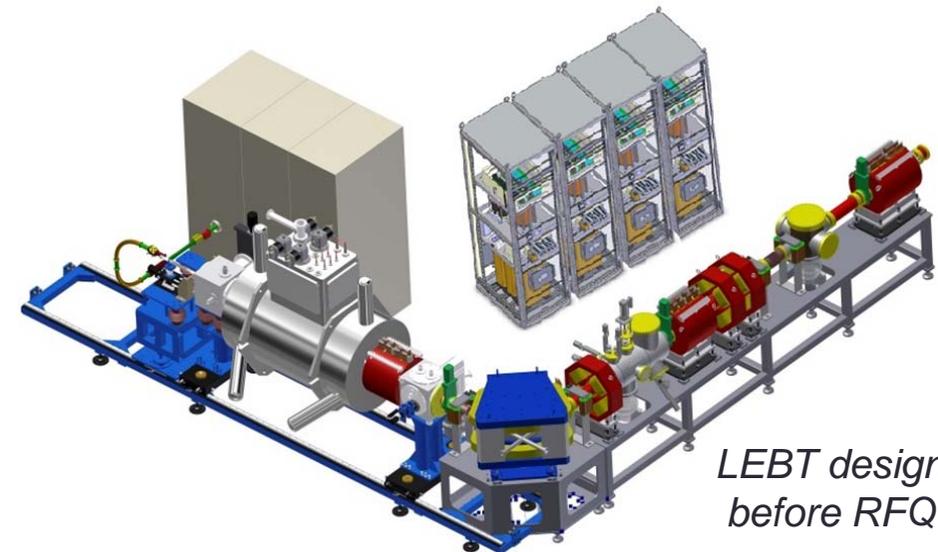
COMPARATIVE RADIOGRAPHS OF A SLR CAMERA



X-Ray Radiograph

McClellan Nuclear Research Center, UC Davis

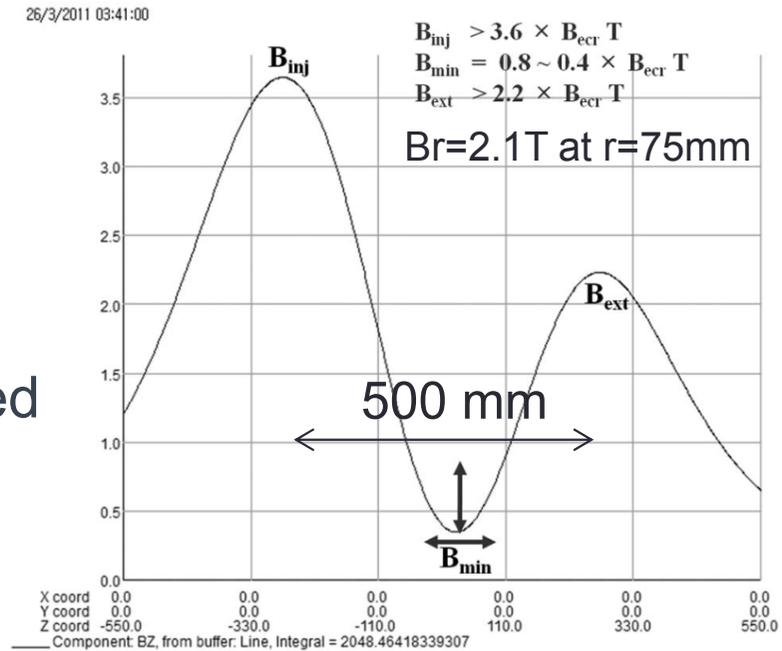
Fig. 2. X-ray and Neutron radiographs of a SLR camera. Dark components in the neutron radiograph are due to plastic components which in turn are almost transparent to x-rays. Note that they are almost transparent for neutrons.



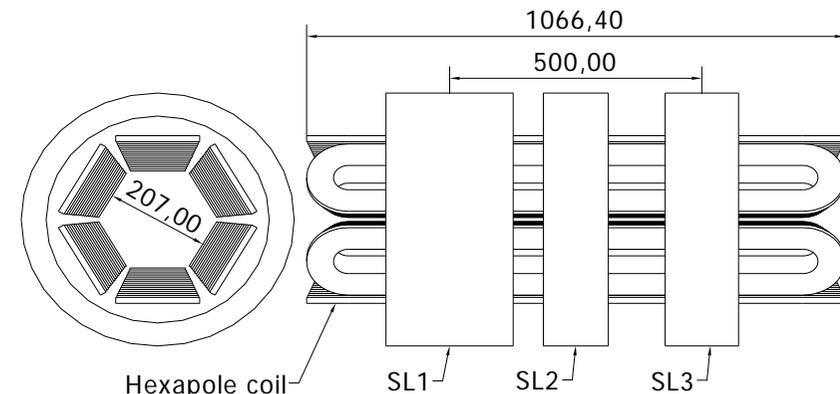
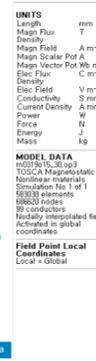
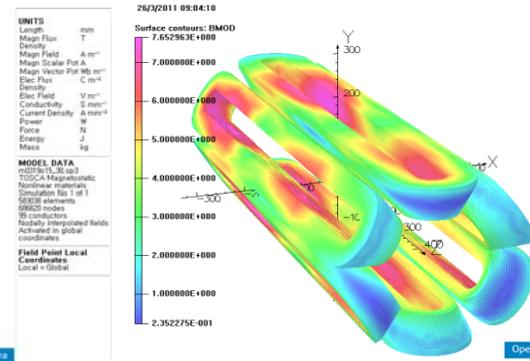
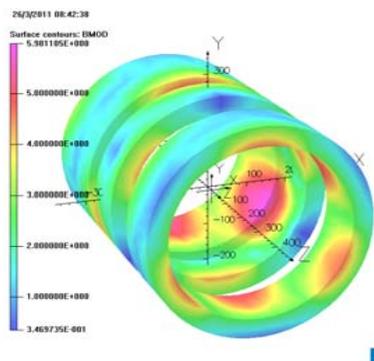
LEBT design before RFQ

# A new 28 GHz ECRIS at KBSI

- Another Newcomer Team in the ECR community
- The ECRIS construction is well advanced
  - The ECRIS design and technology is close to VENUS (LBNL)
  - Except for the hexapole coils which are more inspired from SECRA (IMP Lanzhou)
    - Racetrack coils with a trapezoid section

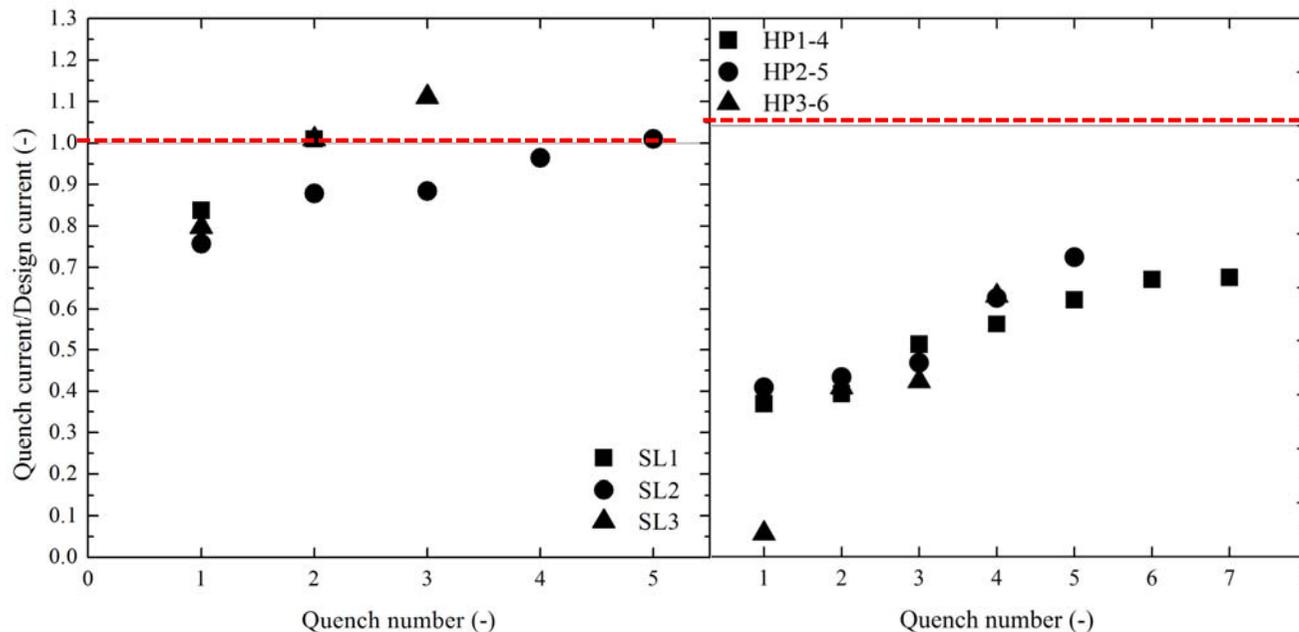


## KAERI 28 GHz ECRIS magnetic design



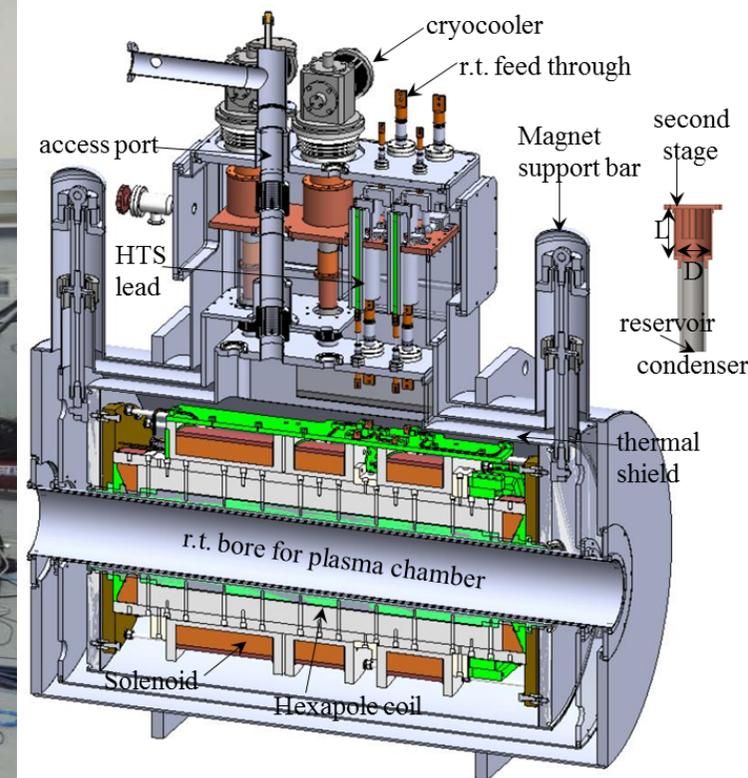
# A new 28 GHz ECRIS at KBSI

- Individual Coil test in a vertical cryostat
  - Axial coils OK
  - Hexapole reacetrack at 70% of design
    - At least suitable for a high performance 18 GHz operation (1.5T)
  - Tests stopped because of LHe shortage



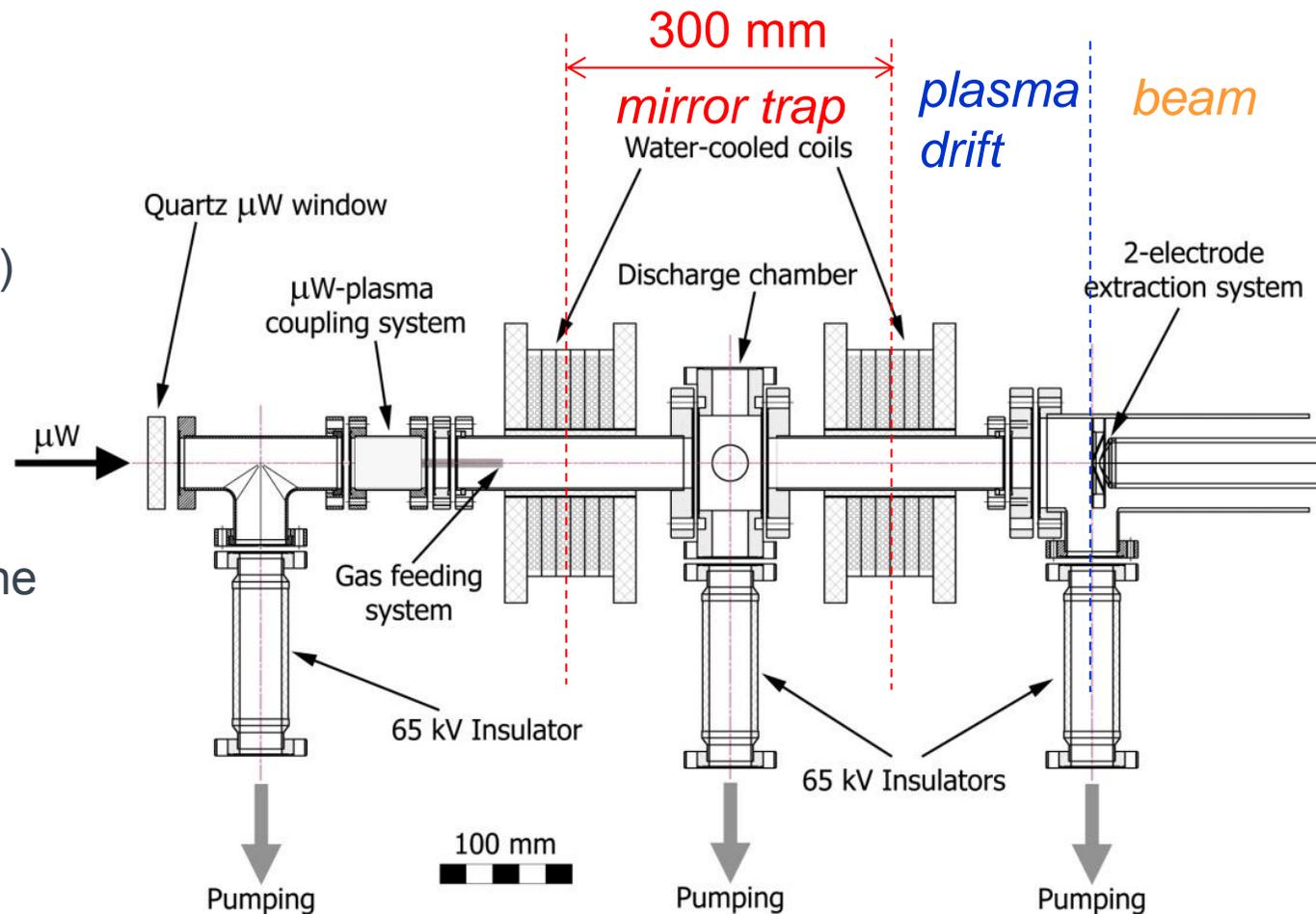
# A new 28 GHz ECRIS at KBSI

- The source has been assembled recently:
  - We wish them good luck with the final global magnetic test!



# Intense pulsed proton beam at IAP RAS

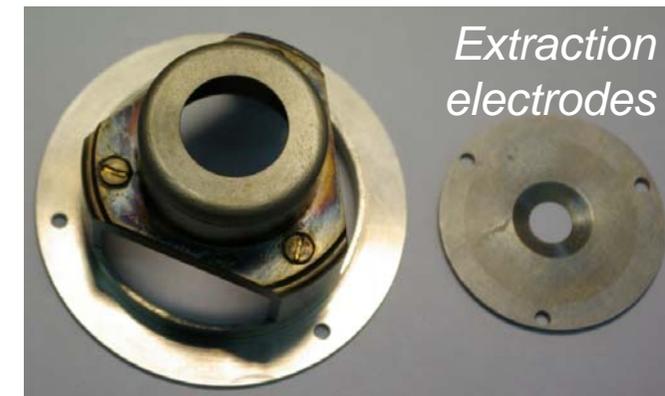
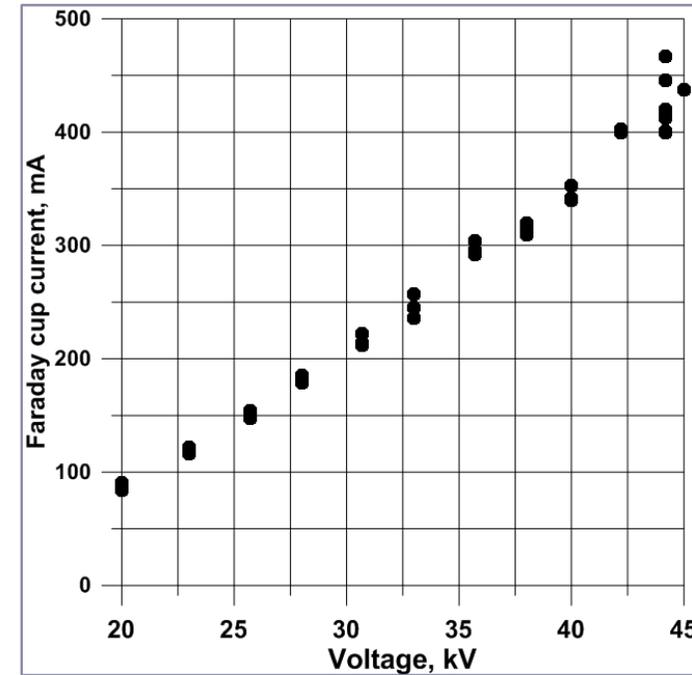
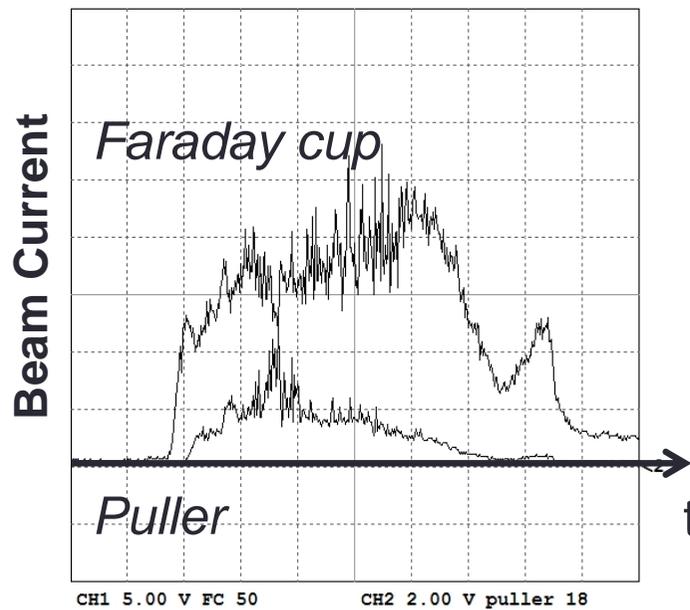
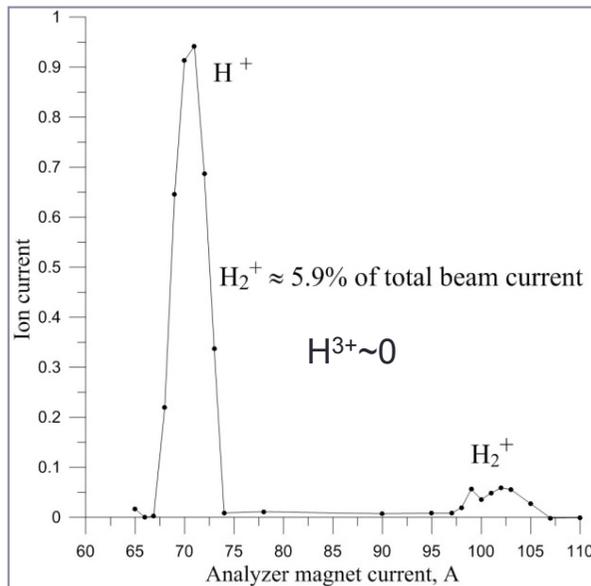
- SMIS 37 is a pulsed ECR operated at 37.5 GHz
- RF power up to 100 kW
- pulse duration  $\leq 1.5$  ms
- Optical microwave coupling
- Gaussian beam (linear polarization)
- Fast pulsed gas valve (5 ms pulse)
- Water cooled pulsed coil
  - Capacitor discharge ( $T/2=11$  ms)
  - $B_{\max} \sim 4$  T
- HV  $\leq 65$  kV
- Beam Current measured right at the extraction in a Faraday cup
- Or current analyzed in a bending magnet
- Beam emittance measured with a pepper pot
- **Gasdynamic regime** (collisional plasma),  $P \sim 10^{-3}-10^{-4}$  mbar



SMIS 37 experimental setup

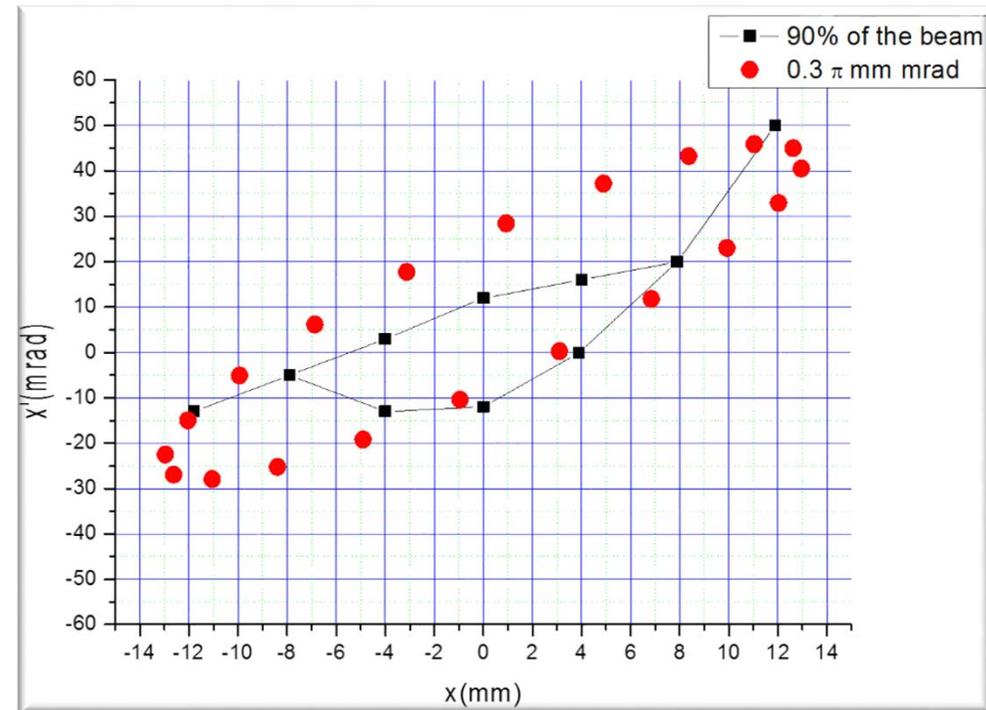
# 450 mA of H<sup>+</sup>

- SMIS 37 produces pulses up to **450 mA of H<sup>+</sup>**
  - Diode Ion Extraction:
    - HV electrode Ø10 mm
    - ground electrode Ø22 mm
  - Proton fraction ~95%



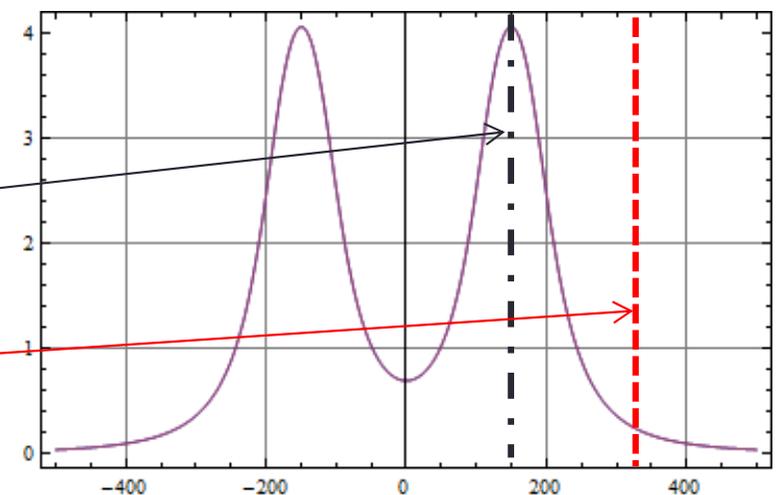
# H<sup>+</sup> Emittance measurement

- SMIS 37 Beam emittance
  - 450 mA H<sup>+</sup>
  - Current density ~600 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - 90% norm. Emittance is 0.3  $\pi$ .mm.mrad
    - So RMS norm. Emittance ~0.06  $\pi$ .mm.mrad
- Why is the emittance so small?
  - Because the magnetic emittance is small!
  - plasma drifts far out of the magnetic trap and the beam is accelerated where  $B \ll B_{max}$



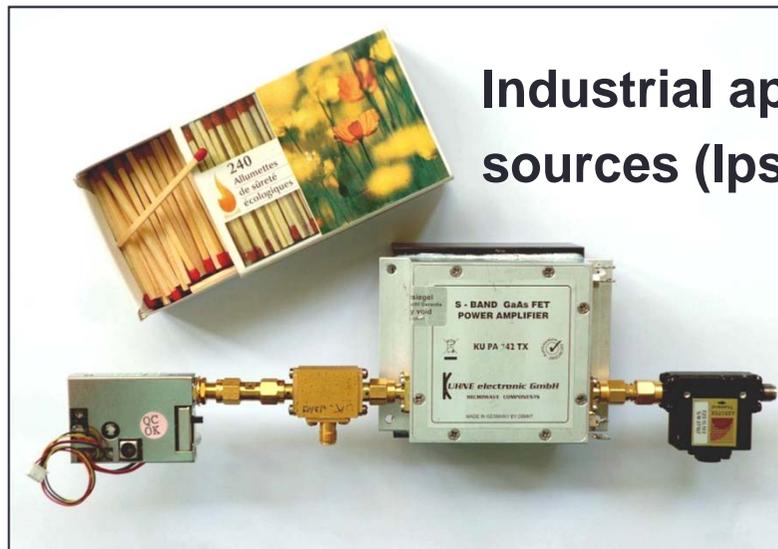
Classical ECRIS  
extraction position

Gasdynamic  
extraction position

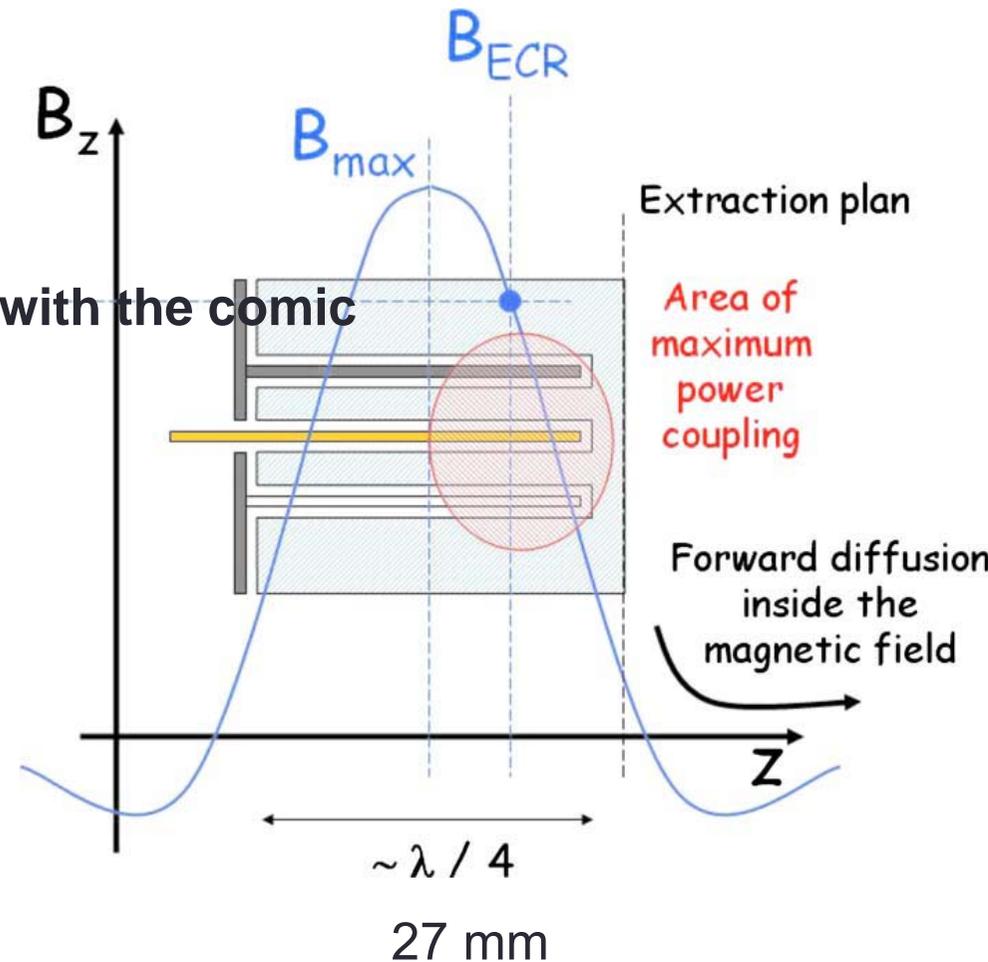


# COMIC sources at LPSC

- COMIC 2.45 GHz
  - Compact ECR source operated at low power
  - 10 W solid amplifier



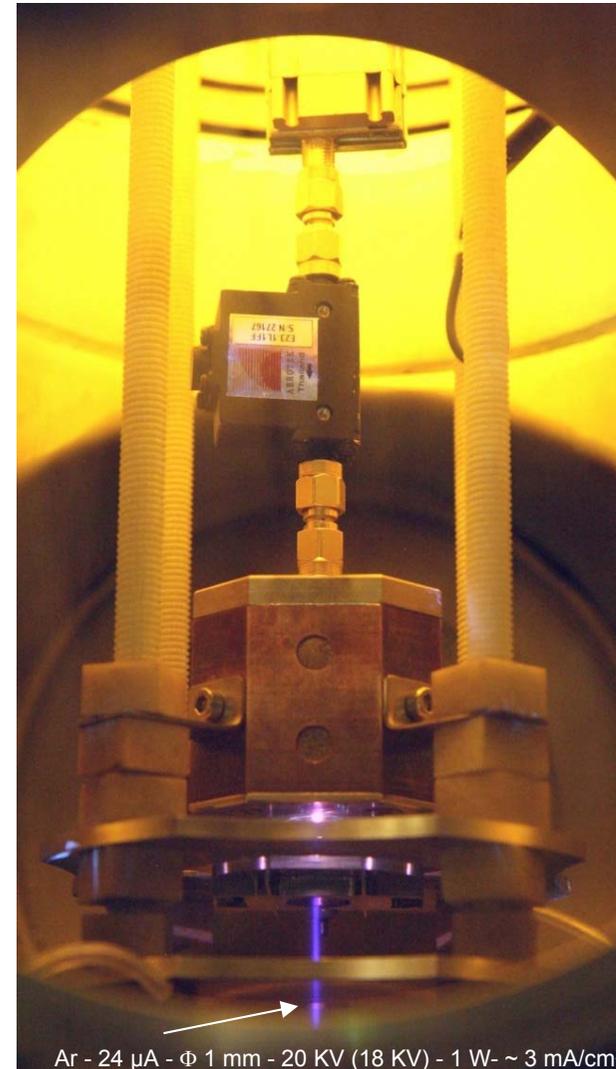
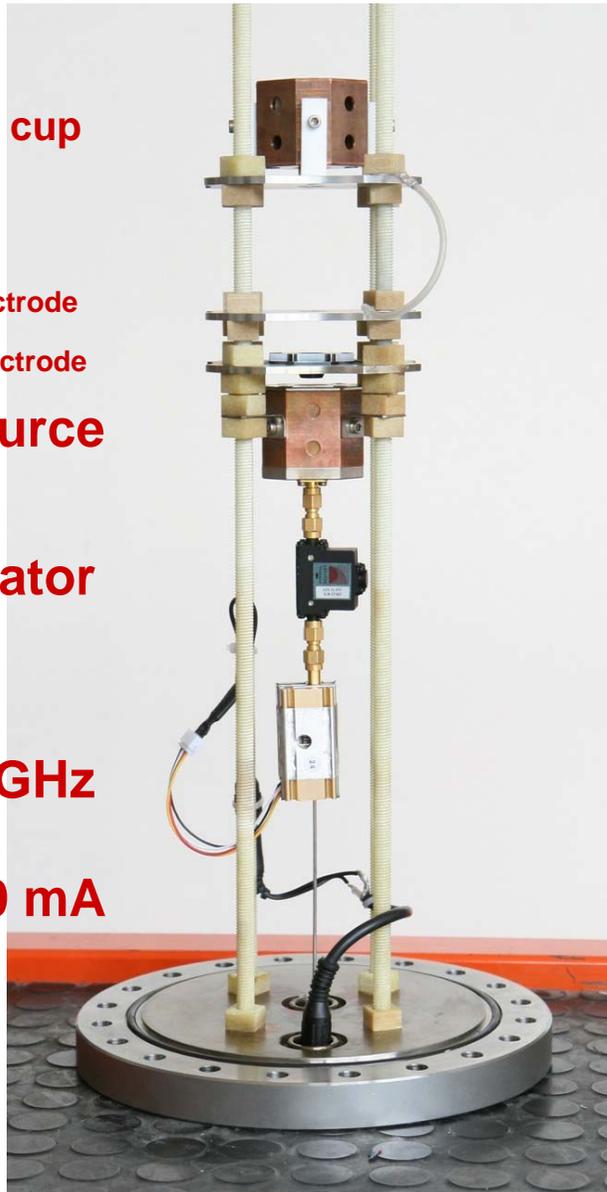
Industrial applications with the comic sources (lpsc)



# COMIC 2.45 GHz

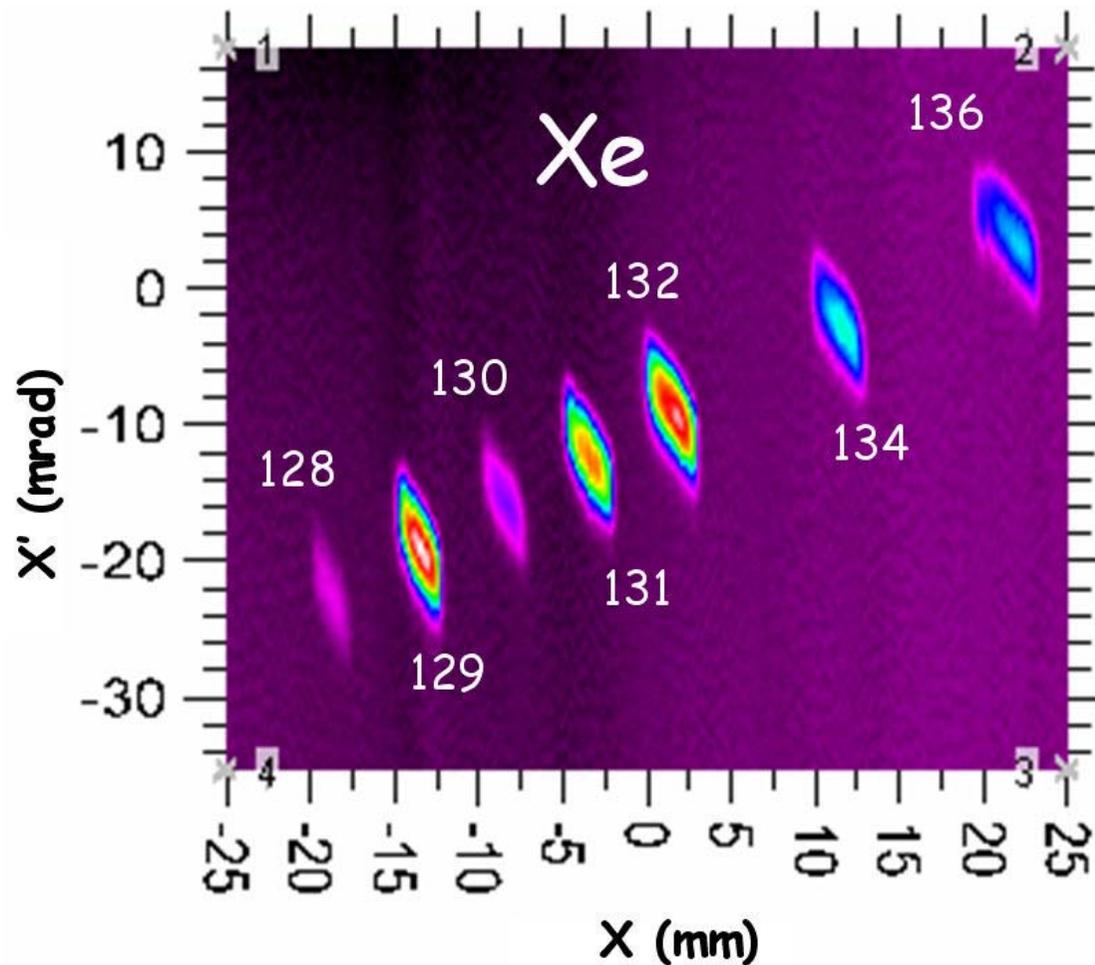
- 1W vacuum ECRIS

Faraday cup  
ground electrode  
Intermediate electrode  
**COMIC source**  
1W isolator  
1W 2.37-2.51 GHz  
12 V / 500 mA



# COMIC 2.45 GHz

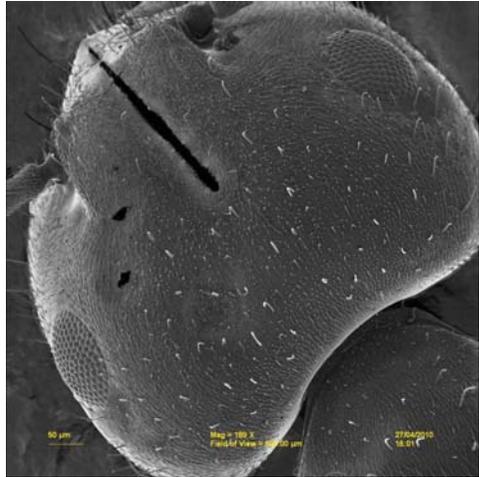
- Emittance - Xenon – 1.8  $\mu\text{A}$  tot / 3 W /  $\varnothing$  0.3 mm / 15 kV



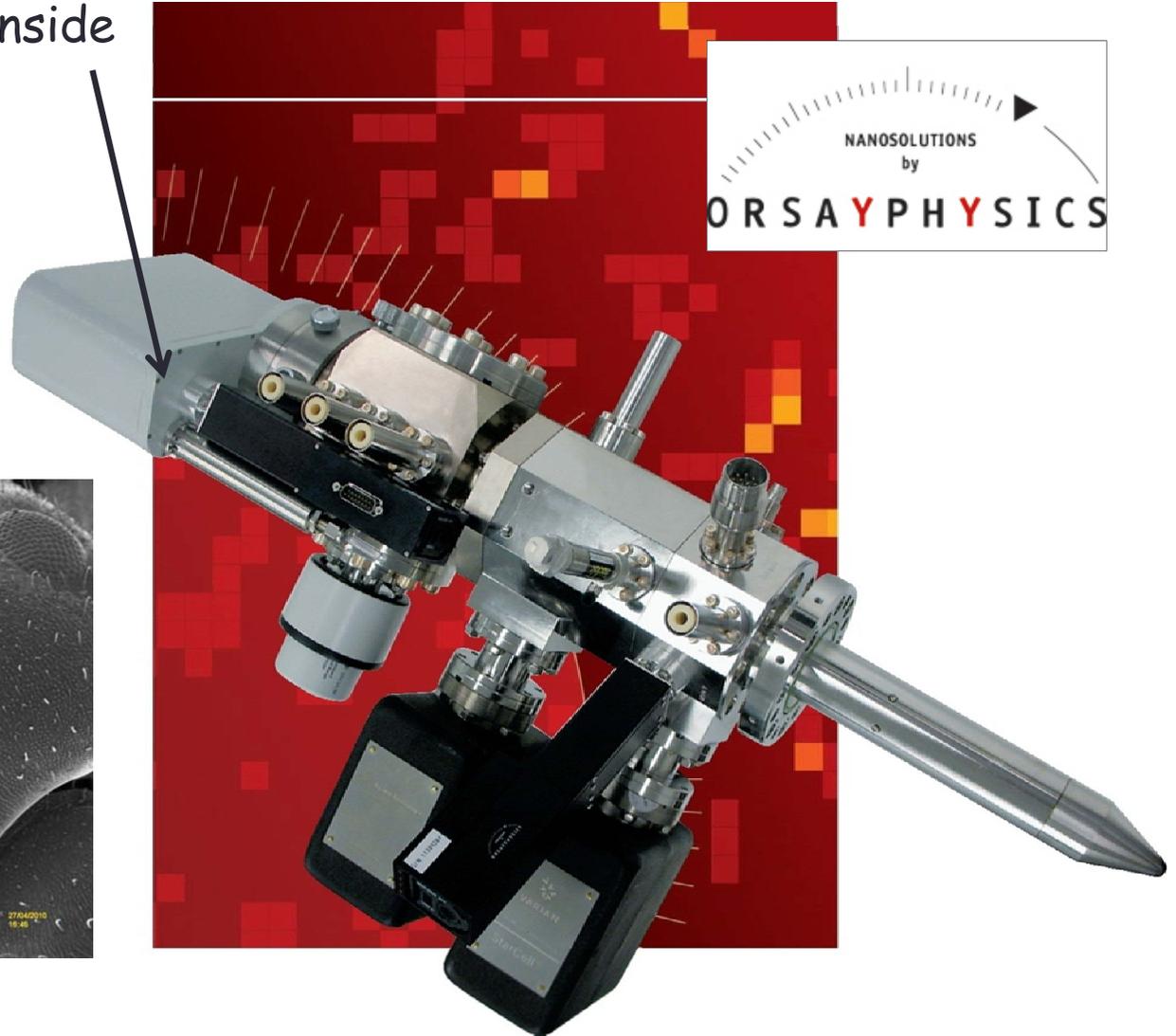
1  $\sigma$  RMS  
1.2  $\pi$ .mm.mrad  
15 KV  
3/10 mm ext.

# COMIC Application on a Focusing Ion Beam

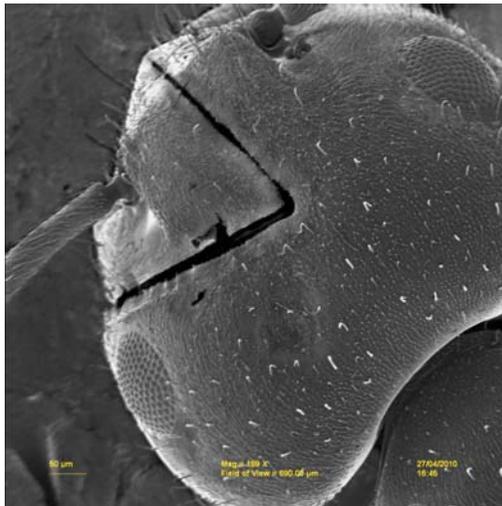
- Orsay Physics FIB



COMIC source  
inside

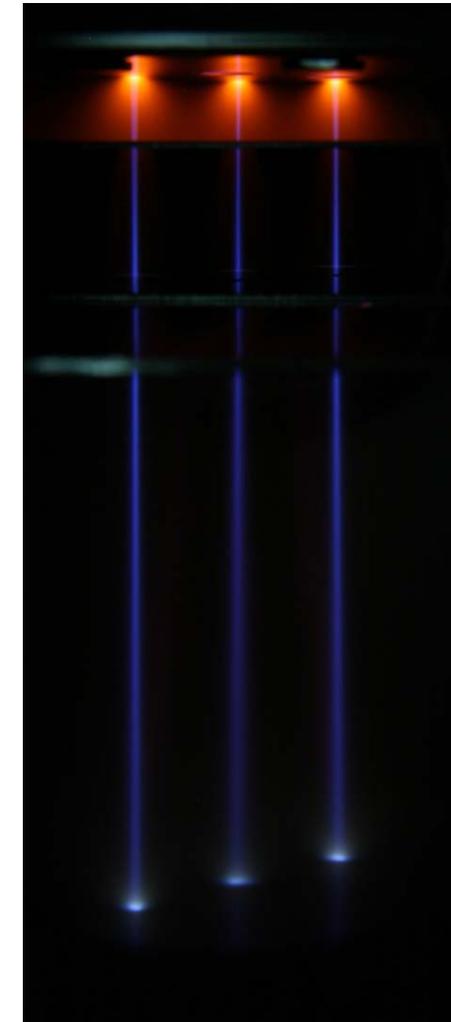


Microsurgery  
Of an ant head



# COMIC Application for Implantation

- Multi-beam implanter 10 sources (HV>30 kV)

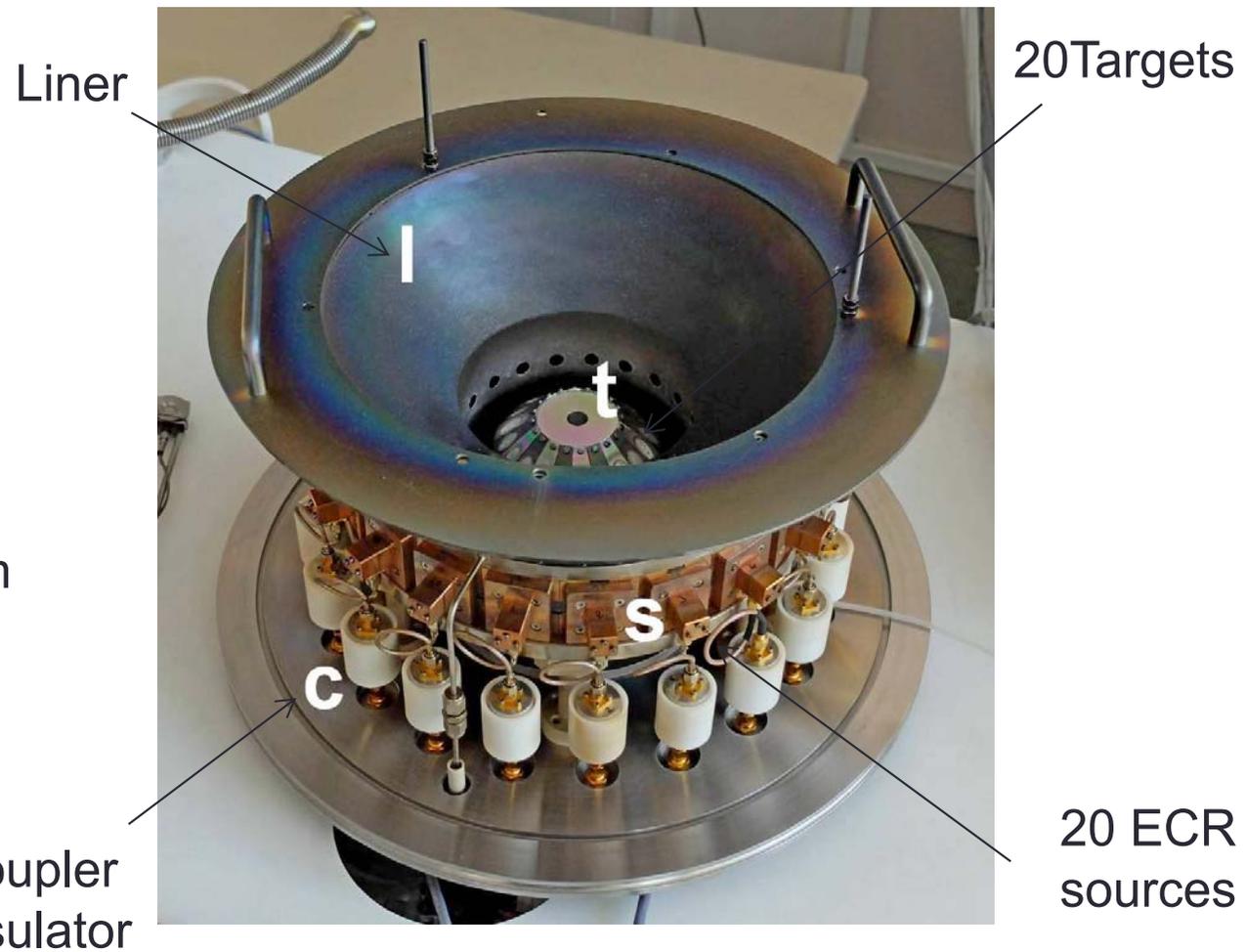


# COMIC Application for thin film deposition

- Multi-Beam Sputtering with 20 ECR sources

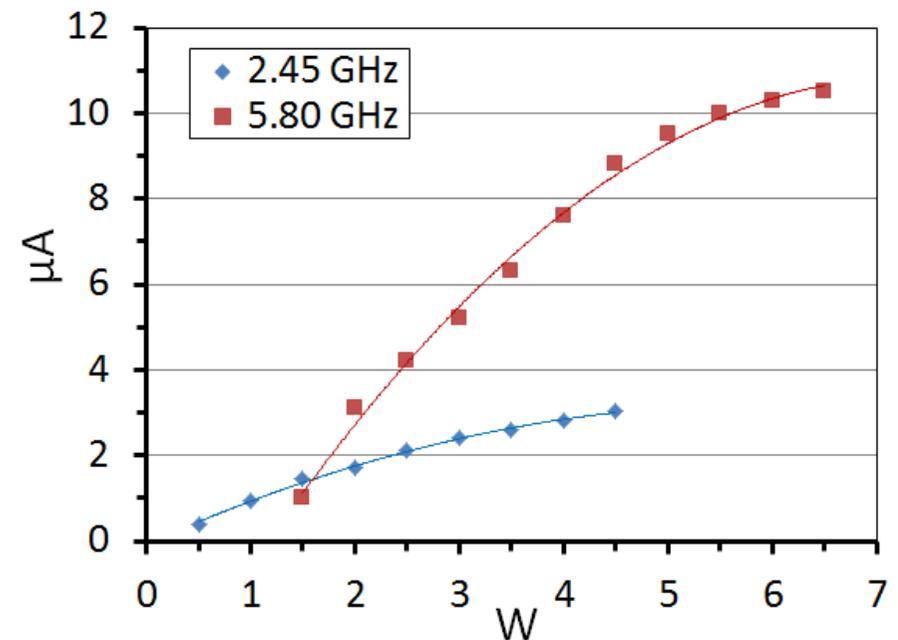


Ø100 mm substrate



# COMIC 5.8 GHz

- The Goal is to improve the current density (ECR scaling law)
  - Quarter wave cavity down-scaled from 2.45 to 5.8 GHz
  - A clear current increase is observed
    - Higher plasma density



15 kV- Ø 0.3 mm extraction - Ar gas pressure:

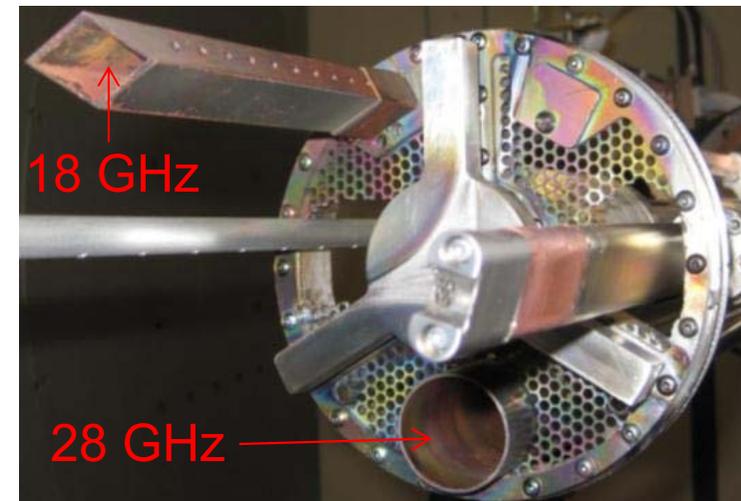
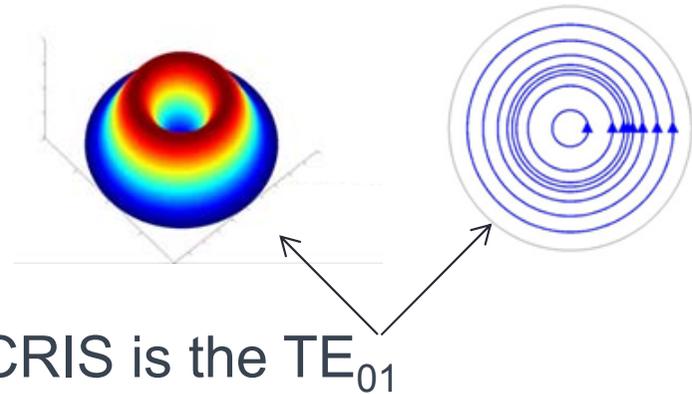
$2 \times 10^{-6}$  mbar at 2.45 GHz

$1 \times 10^{-5}$  mbar at 5.8 GHz

# TE<sub>01</sub> to HE<sub>11</sub> Mode Converter for the VENUS ECR Ion Source

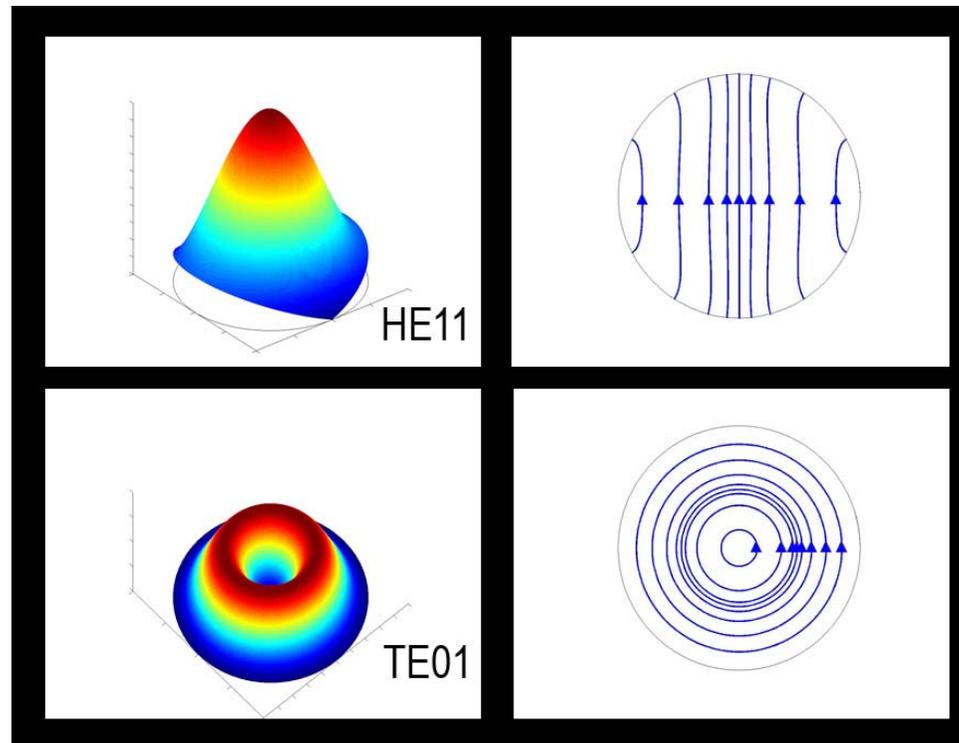
## • Motivations:

- The usual 18 GHz mode injected in an ECRIS is the TE<sub>10</sub>
  - Transverse Electric, linearly polarized
  - Rectangular waveguide
  - Efficient plasma coupling
  - Excellent performance vs RF power
- The 24/28 GHz mode injected in new generation ECRIS is the TE<sub>01</sub>
  - Oversized circular waveguide
  - Transverse Electric circular polarization
  - The RF power density profile is hollow
  - Weaker performance vs power observed /18 GHz
- Is this weaker performance coming from the TE<sub>01</sub> mode used?



## HE<sub>11</sub> mode vs TE<sub>01</sub>

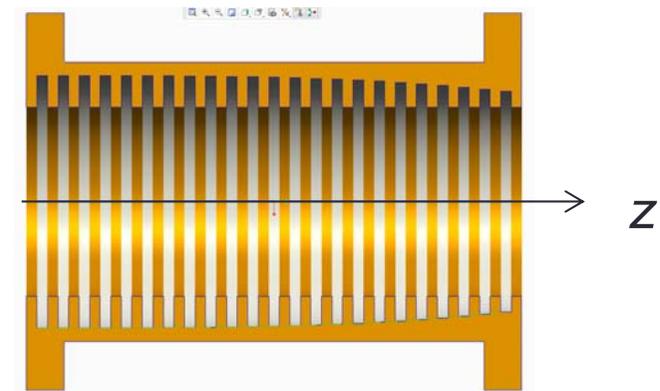
- The HE<sub>11</sub> mode is used in fusion research since the 80's
  - HE<sub>11</sub>=Hybrid Electric~85%TE<sub>11</sub>+15%TM<sub>11</sub>
  - Quasi gaussian beam profile with a linear polarization



- The HE<sub>11</sub> @ 28 GHz is nearly equivalent to the TE<sub>10</sub> @ 18 GHz

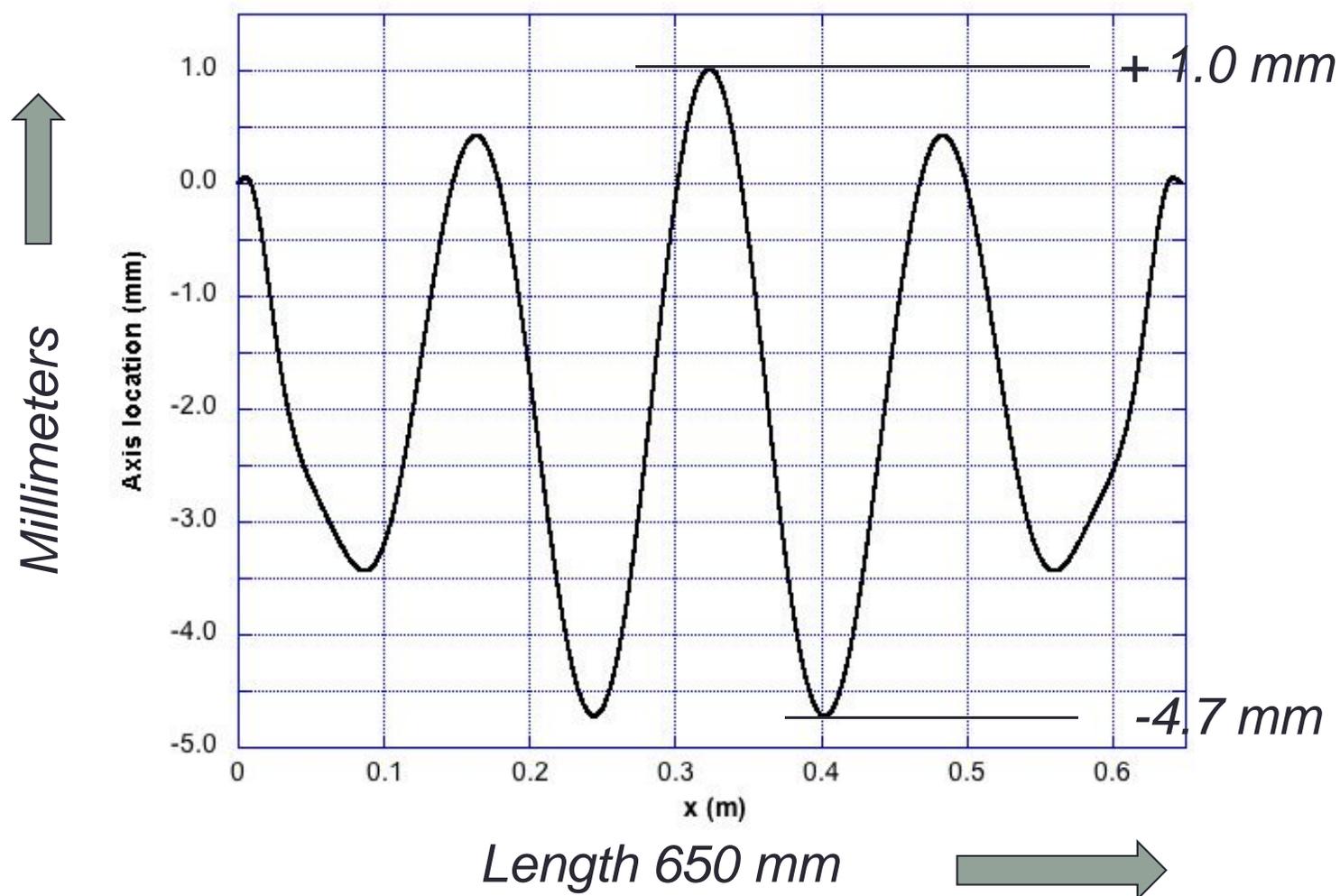
# HE<sub>11</sub> conversion steps

- The mode conversion is done into two steps:
  - 1) Convert the TE<sub>01</sub> to TE<sub>11</sub> using a circular waveguide whose center is wiggling in a direction perpendicular to the waveguide axis. This is the « **Snake** ».
  - 2) Convert partially the TE<sub>11</sub> to TM<sub>11</sub> to build up the HE<sub>11</sub> in a corrugated waveguide whose groove depth is following a special curve from  $\lambda/2$  to  $\lambda/4$

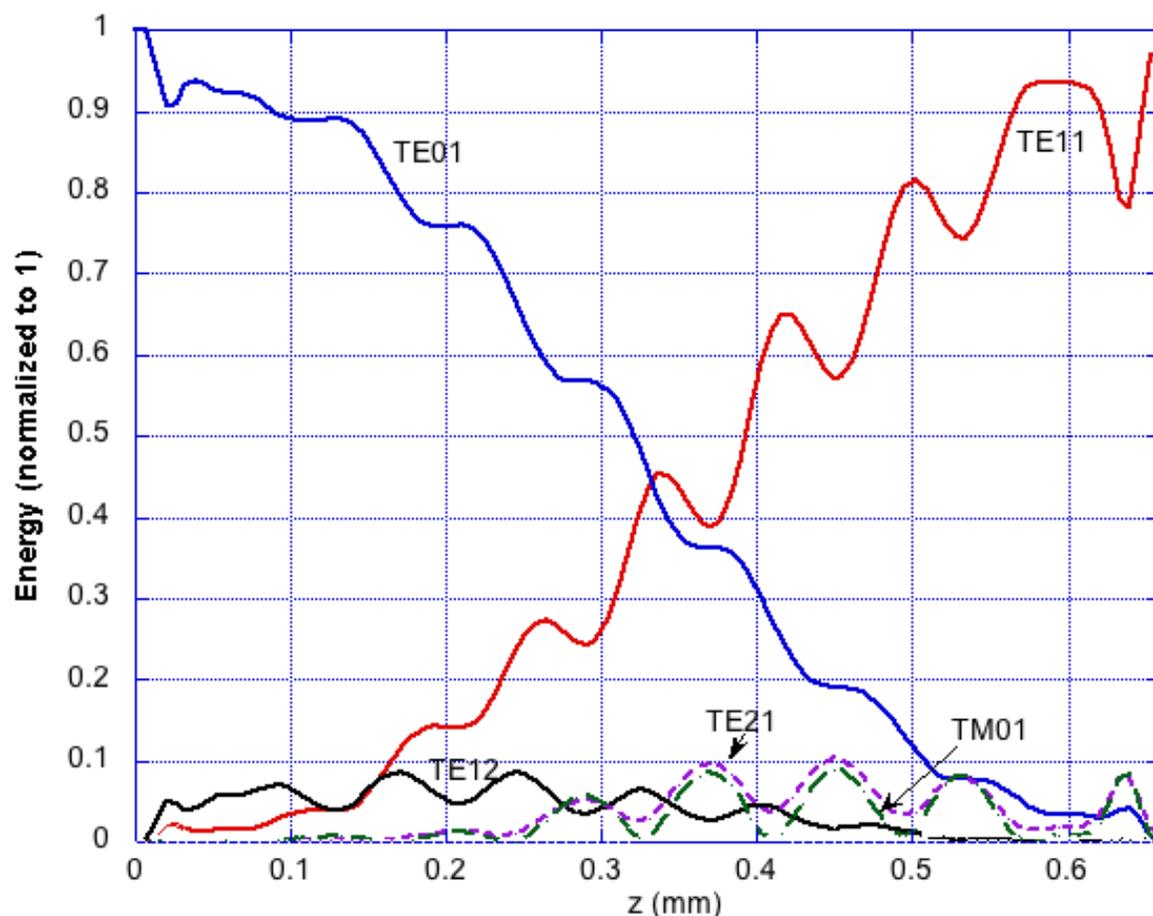


# Snake optimum profile

- Obtained by a simulation program



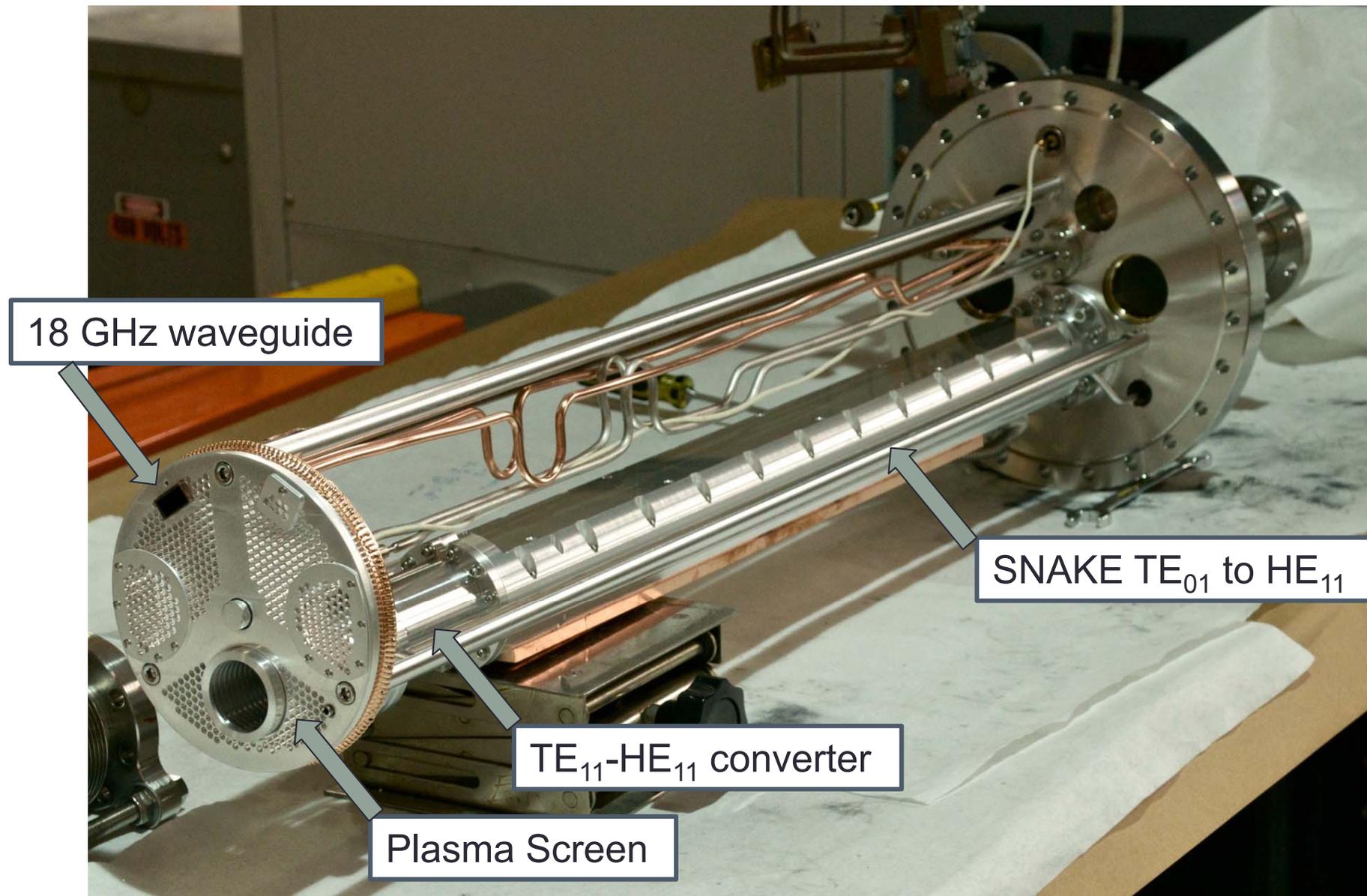
# Snake calculated mode conversion profile



← 97% into TE11

Modes	
Curvature Coupling Coefficients	
TE11-TM21	0.2605380
TE11-TE22	-0.0883540
TE11-TM22	-0.0970206
TE11-TE02	0.1590250
TE11-TM02	-0.313236
TE11-TM01	3.5267400
TM11-TM02	-1.724160
TM11-TM01	3.3100900
TE01-TE11	-1.6289790
TE01-TE12	2.489450
TE01-TE13	-0.1800641
TE11-TE21	2.6557800
TE12-TE21	-0.8366008
TE01-TM11	1.7056530
TM11-TE21	1.4960860
TM11-TM21	2.4503221

# New VENUS Injection Assembly

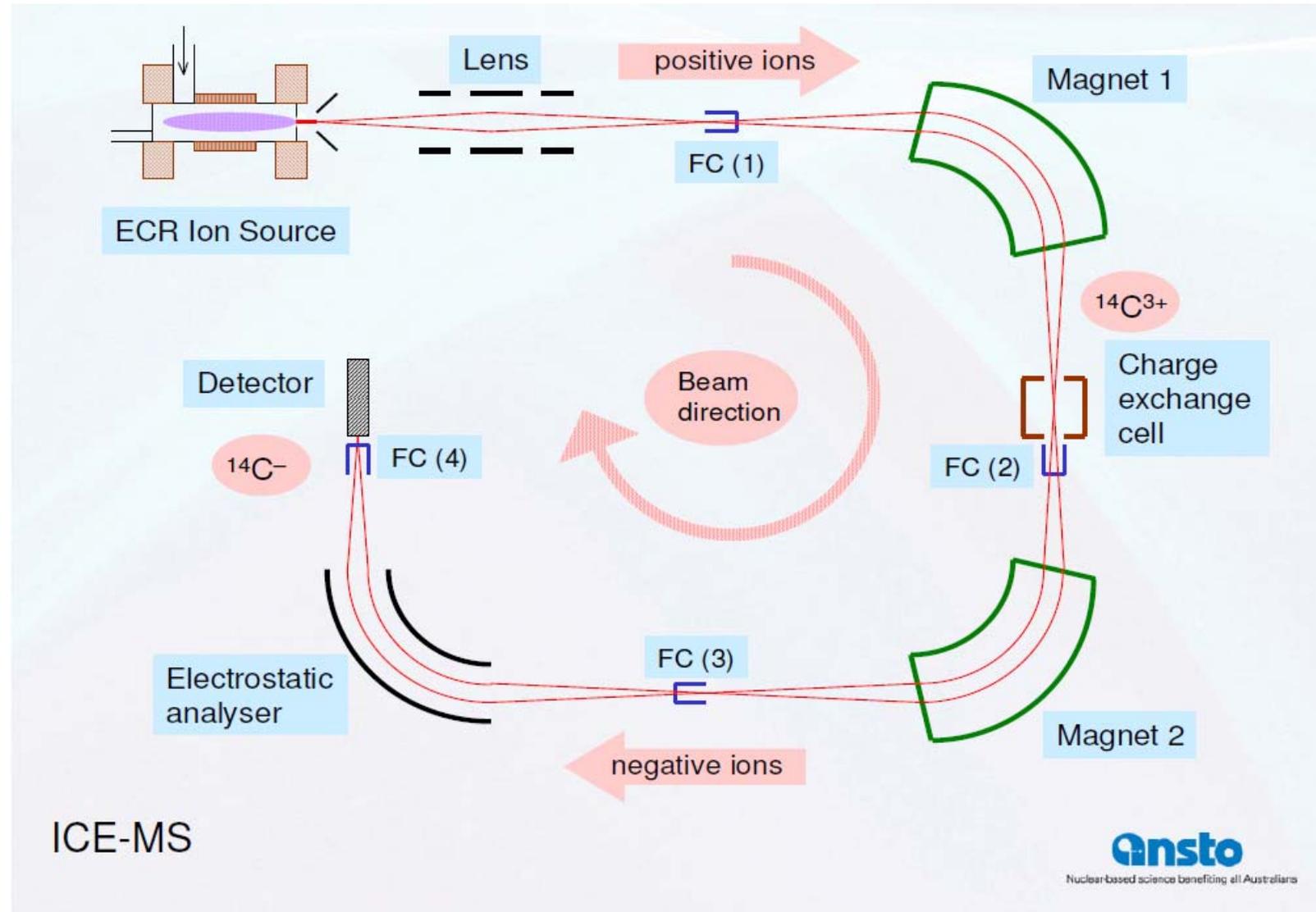


# Initial tests with the HE11 mode launcher

- Installation beginning of August 2013
- It has performed very well in the early tests.
  - Up to 5 kW of power
  - No problems with arcing or parasitic mode generation
- Compared to the old system
  - Tuning appears to be broader
  - Smoother dependence on 28 GHz power (more monotonic)
  - Maximum Xe<sup>27+</sup> test at 5 kW of 28 GHz only
    - TE<sub>01</sub> mode launcher                      330 μA
    - HE<sub>11</sub> mode launcher                      370 μA
  - Some indications of improvements when used in two frequency mode with the 18 GHz
- Further development is needed see if HE<sub>11</sub> mode launching has significant advantages over TE<sub>01</sub> mode
  - VENUS has an enormous range of settings, ions and power levels
  - As Geller said, “Tuning an ECR ion source is searching for an island of stability in a sea of turbulence.” This will take some time.

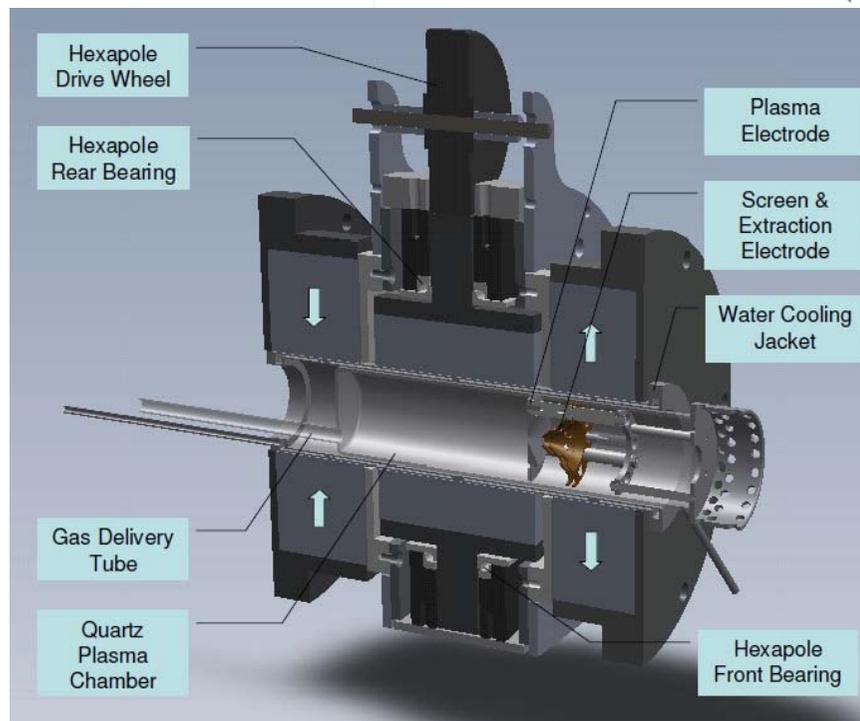
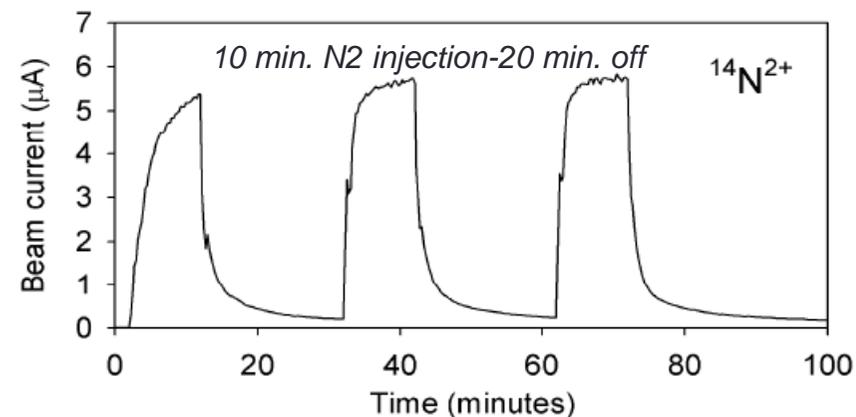
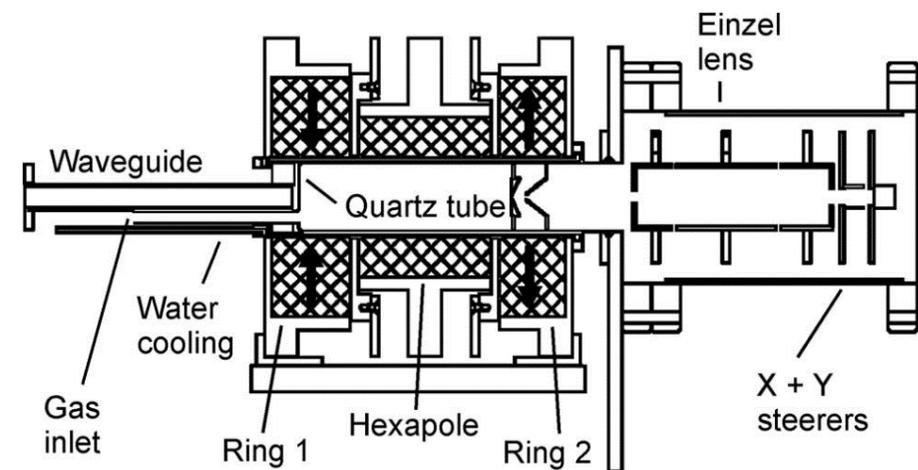
# The Ion Charge Exchange Spectroscopy at ANSTO

- 7 GHz ECRIS
  - Quartz tube
  - Volume 300 ml
  - $P < 100$  W
- $^{14}\text{C}:^{12}\text{C}$  ratio measurement down to  $10^{-9}$
- Charge 3+
  - $^{14}\text{N}3+$  rejection
  - Molecule rejection ( $^{13}\text{CH}$ ,  $^{12}\text{CH}_2$ ..)
- Online transient  $^{14}\text{C}:^{12}\text{C}$  ratio count foreseen for medical application
- Limitations:
  - Reproducibility
  - Ion residence time in plasma chamber
  - background



# Source upgrade

- Hexapole rotation to enhance desorption from the plasma chamber walls



Thank you for your attention!