

# Status of 500-kV DC gun at JAEA



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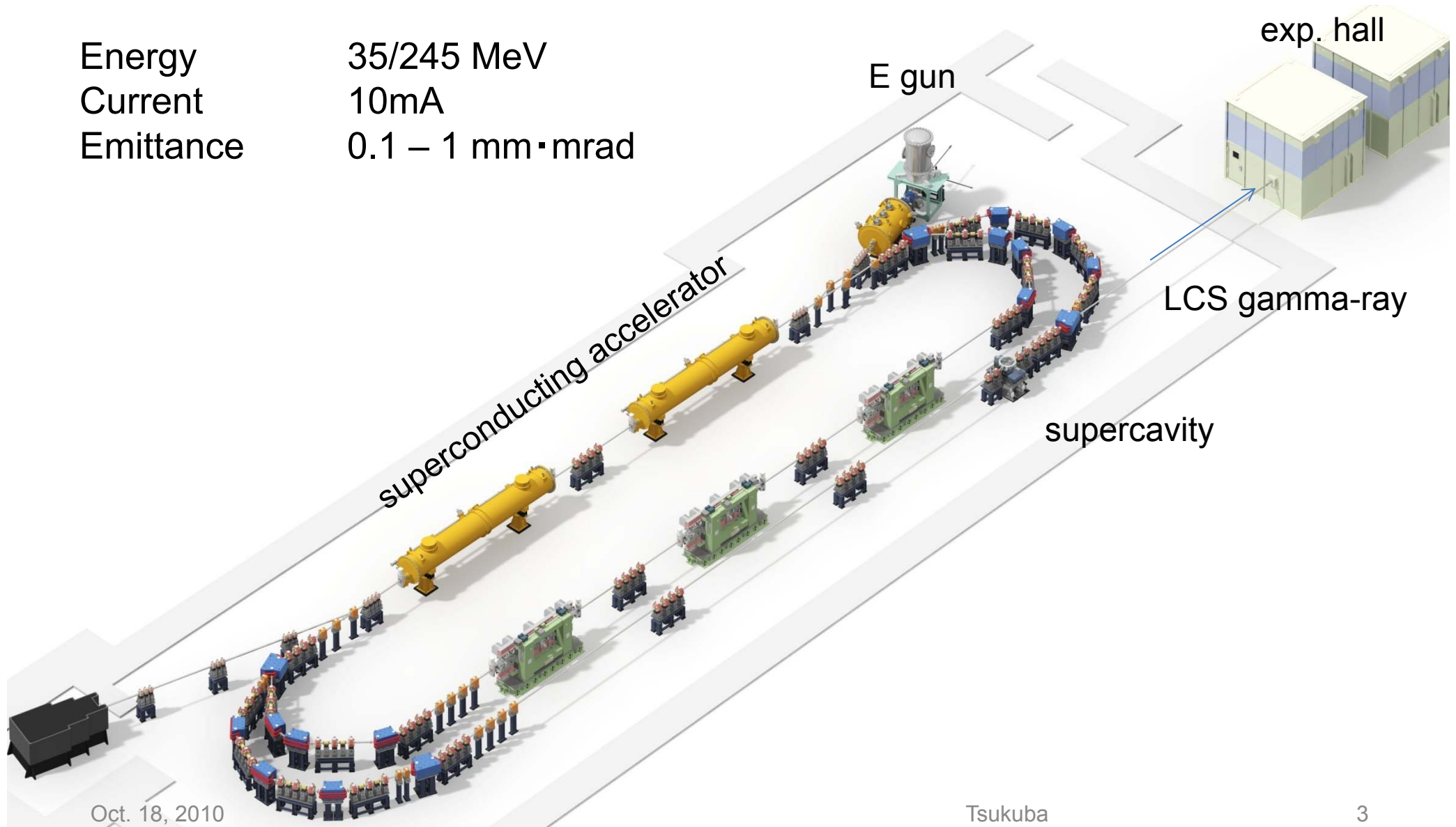
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# Outline

- Introduction (Compact ERL, a 500 kV DC gun)
- High voltage testing of segmented ceramics with a stem electrode
  - HV processing up to 550 kV
  - 500 kV for eight hours without any discharge
- High voltage processing with electrode in place
  - HV processing up to 526 kV
  - Local radiation problem
- Beam generation at 300 kV
- Summary and Outlook

# Compact ERL (test facility)

Energy 35/245 MeV  
Current 10mA  
Emittance 0.1 – 1 mm·mrad

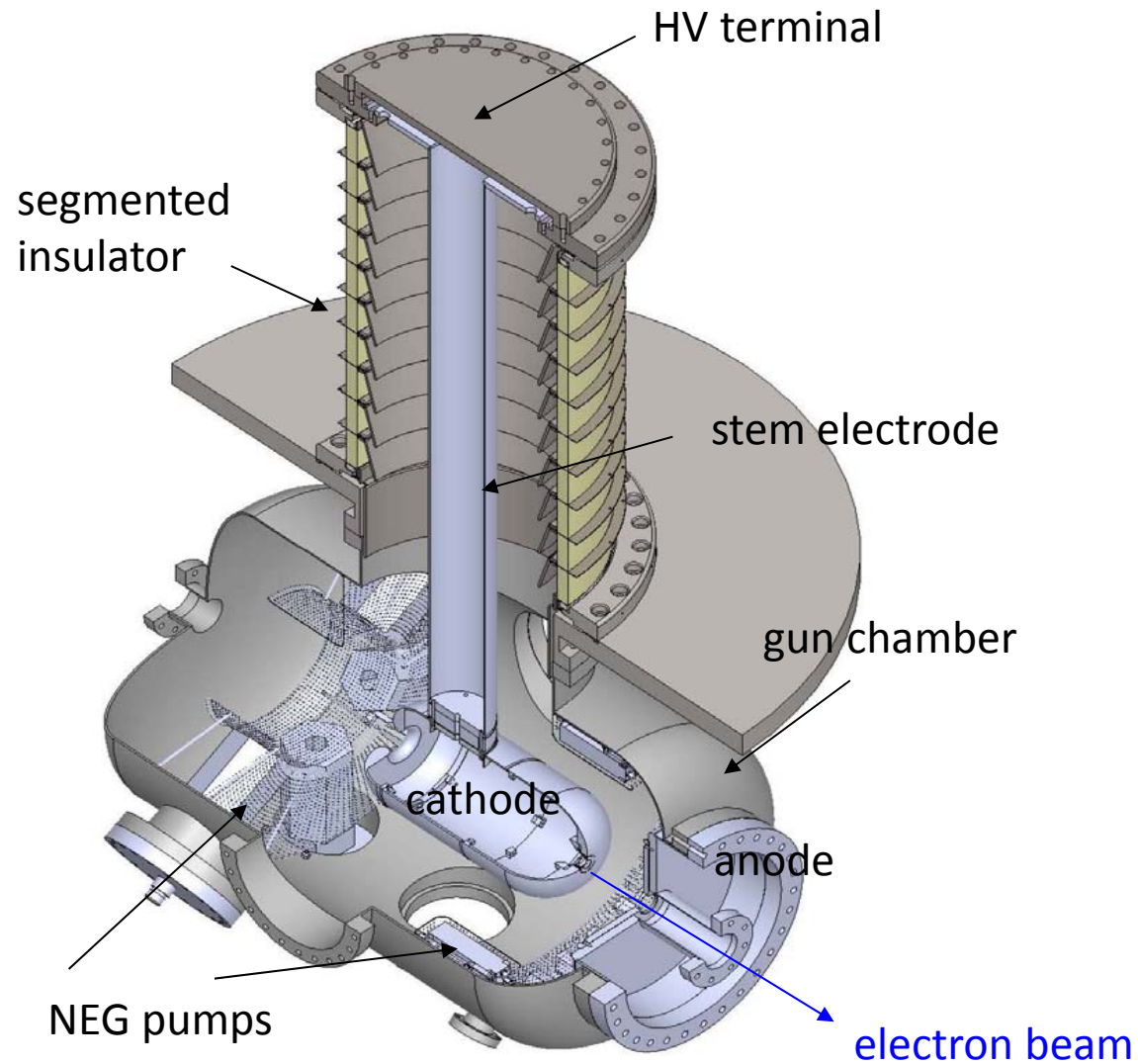


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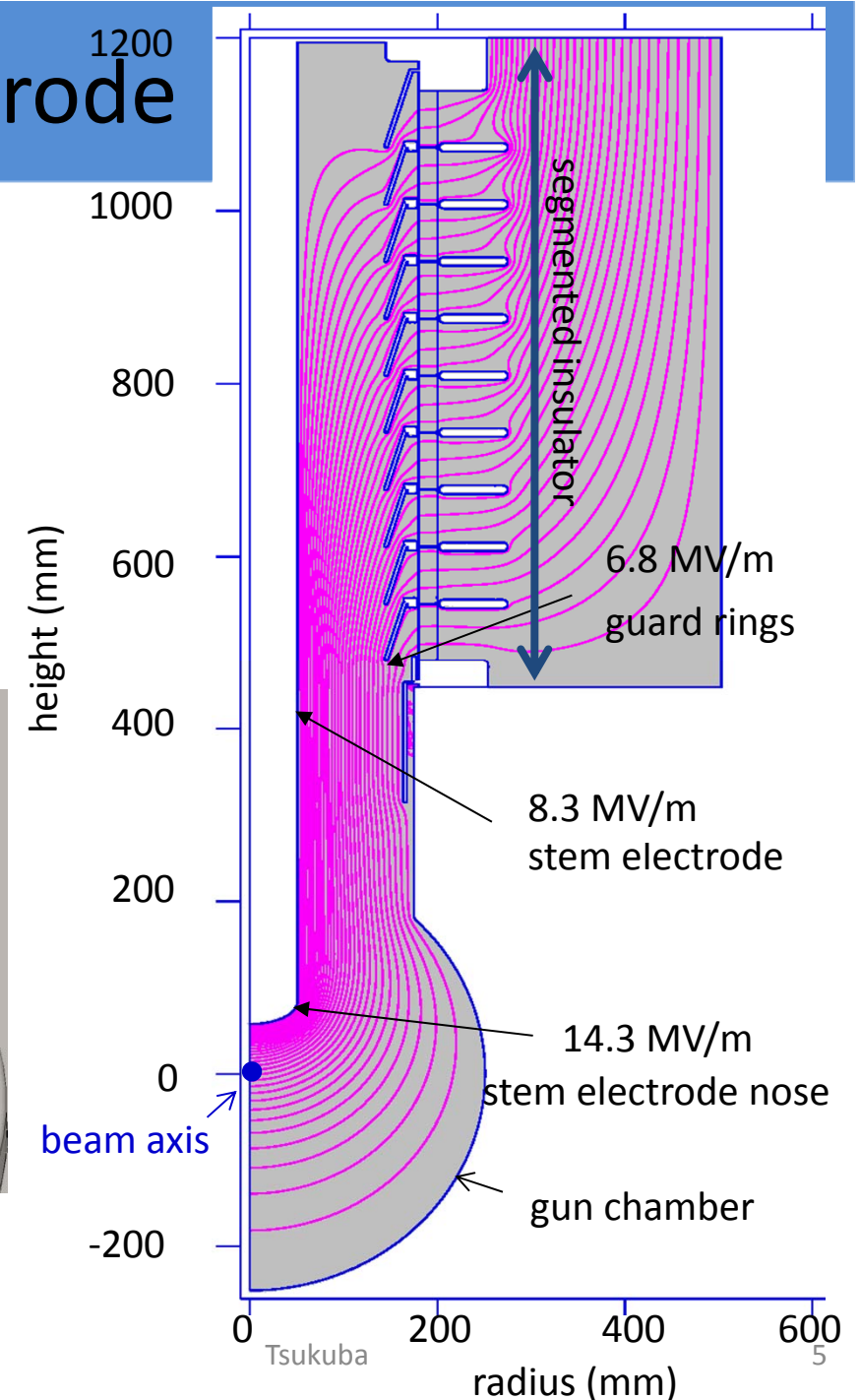
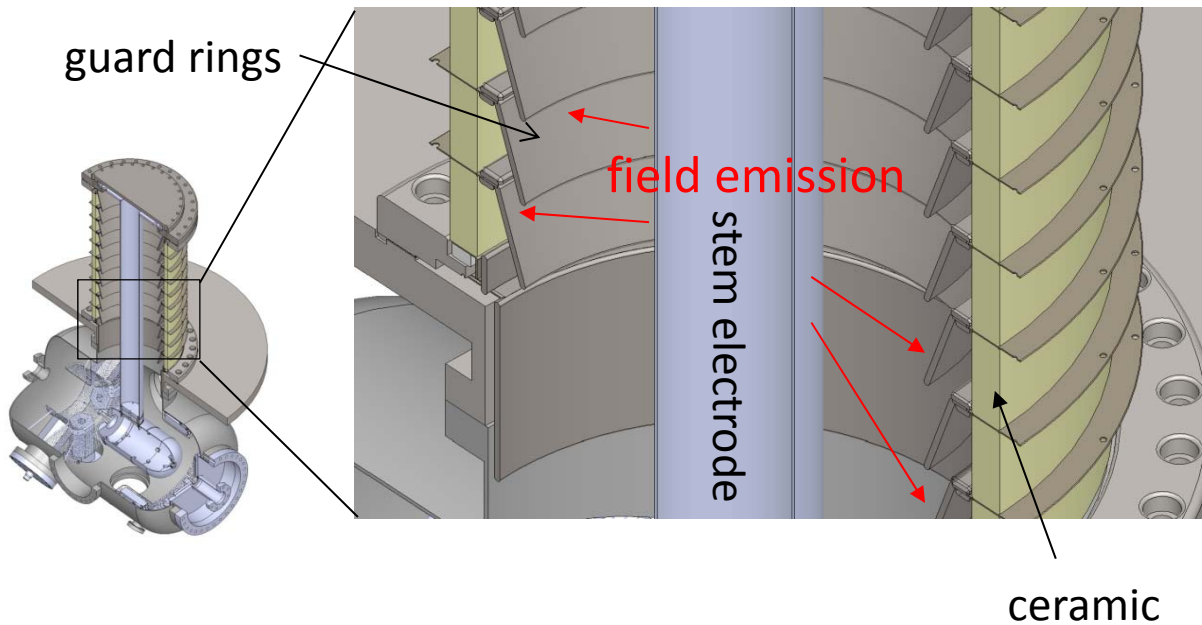
# A 500 kV photocathode DC gun at JAEA



# Field emission from stem electrode

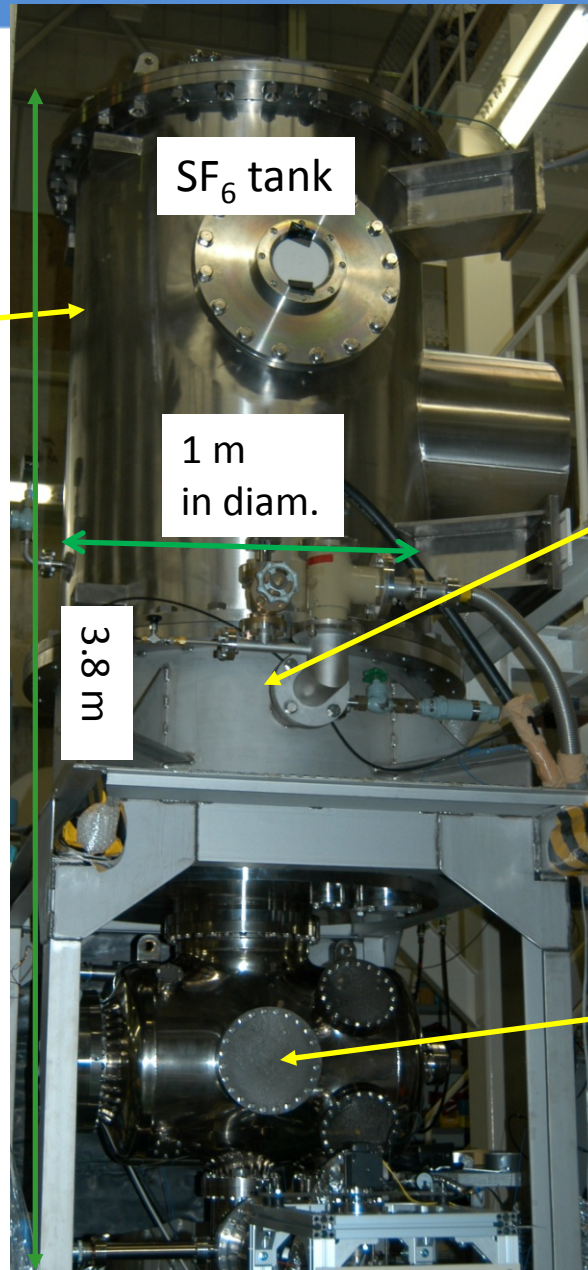
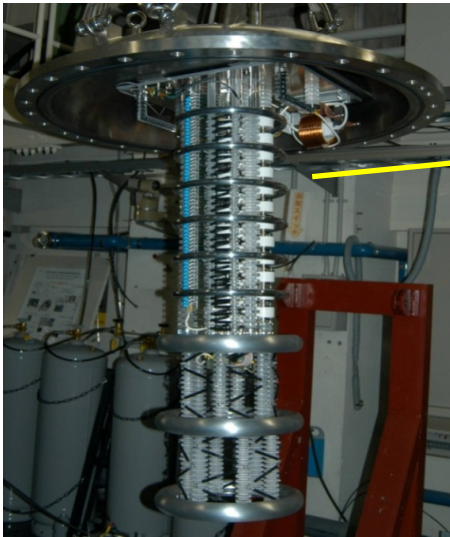
Employed a segmented insulator to mitigate field emission problem.

- uniform electric field
- means to attach rings which guard ceramics against field emission.

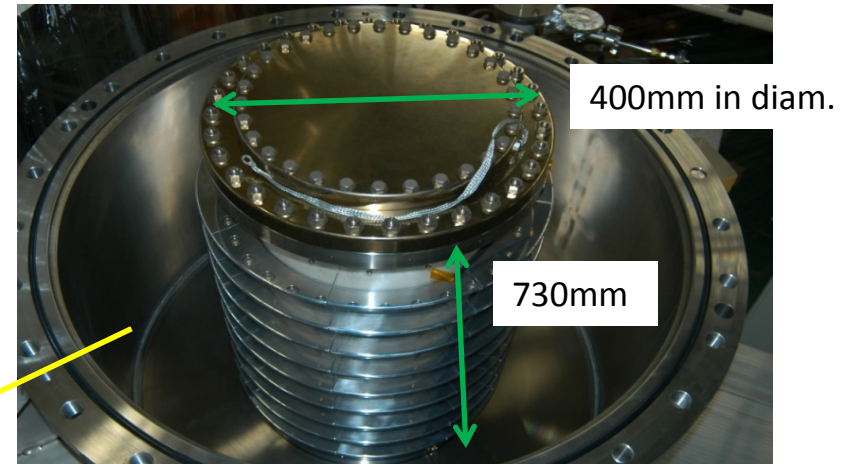


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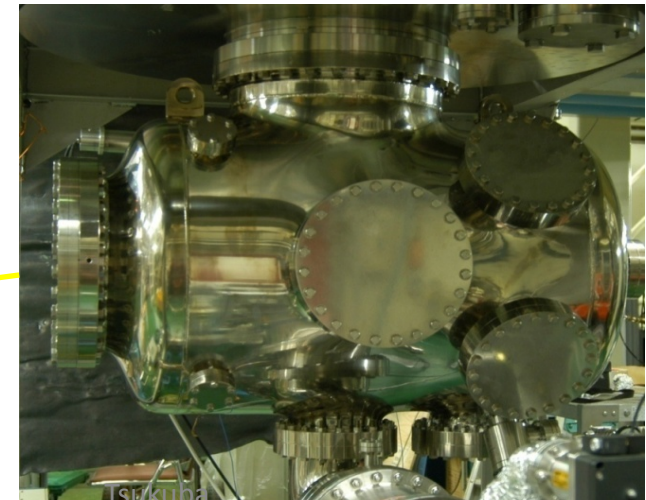
550kV Cockcroft Walton power supply



segmented insulator

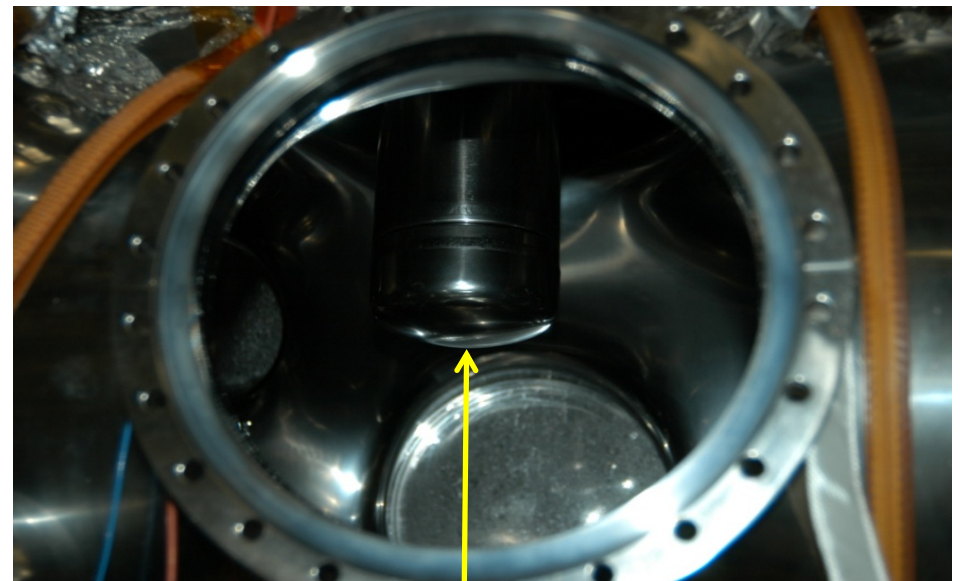


gun chamber made of titanium



# High voltage testing with a stem electrode

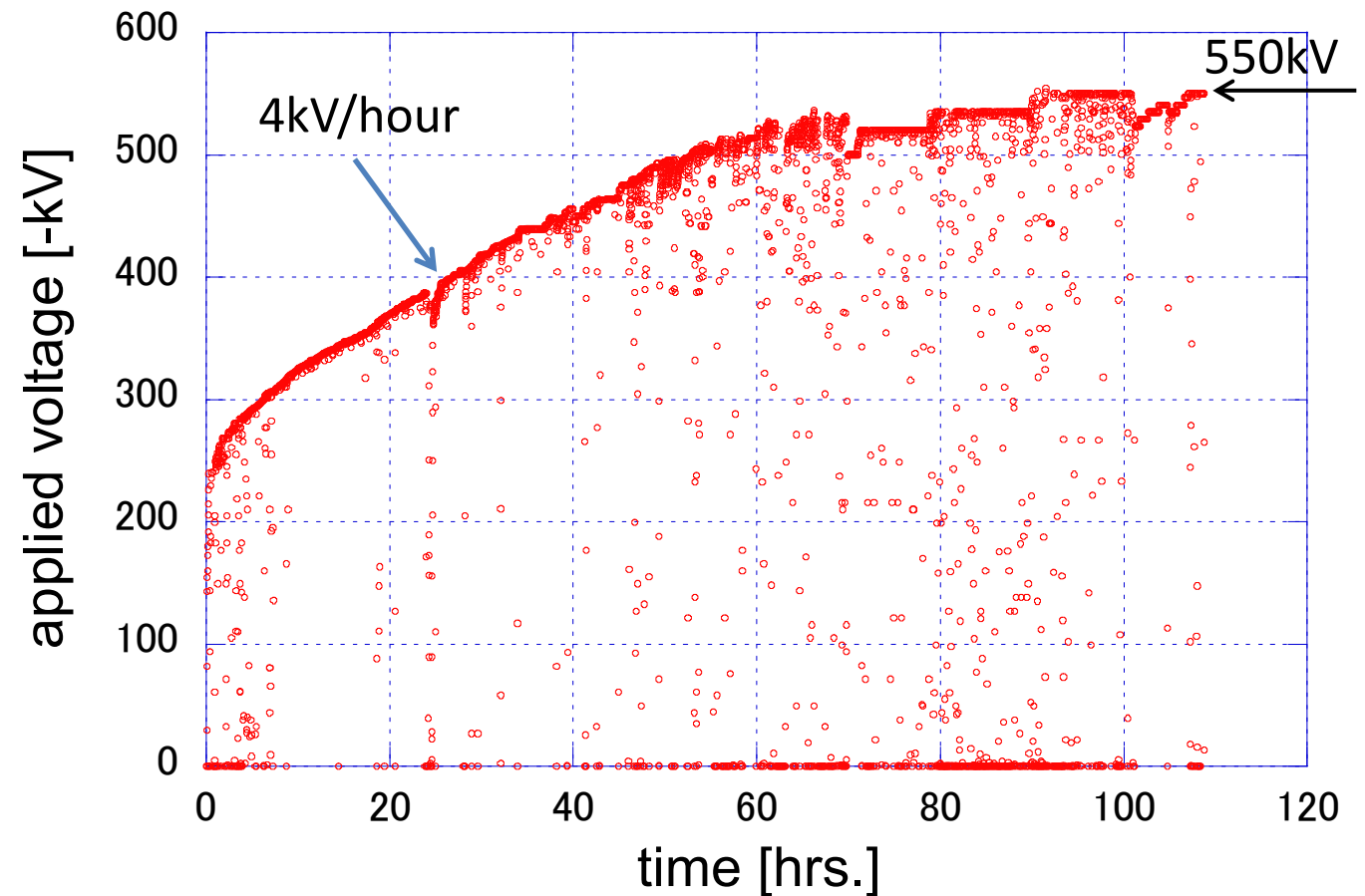
stem electrode



dummy cup instead of cathode electrode

# HV processing

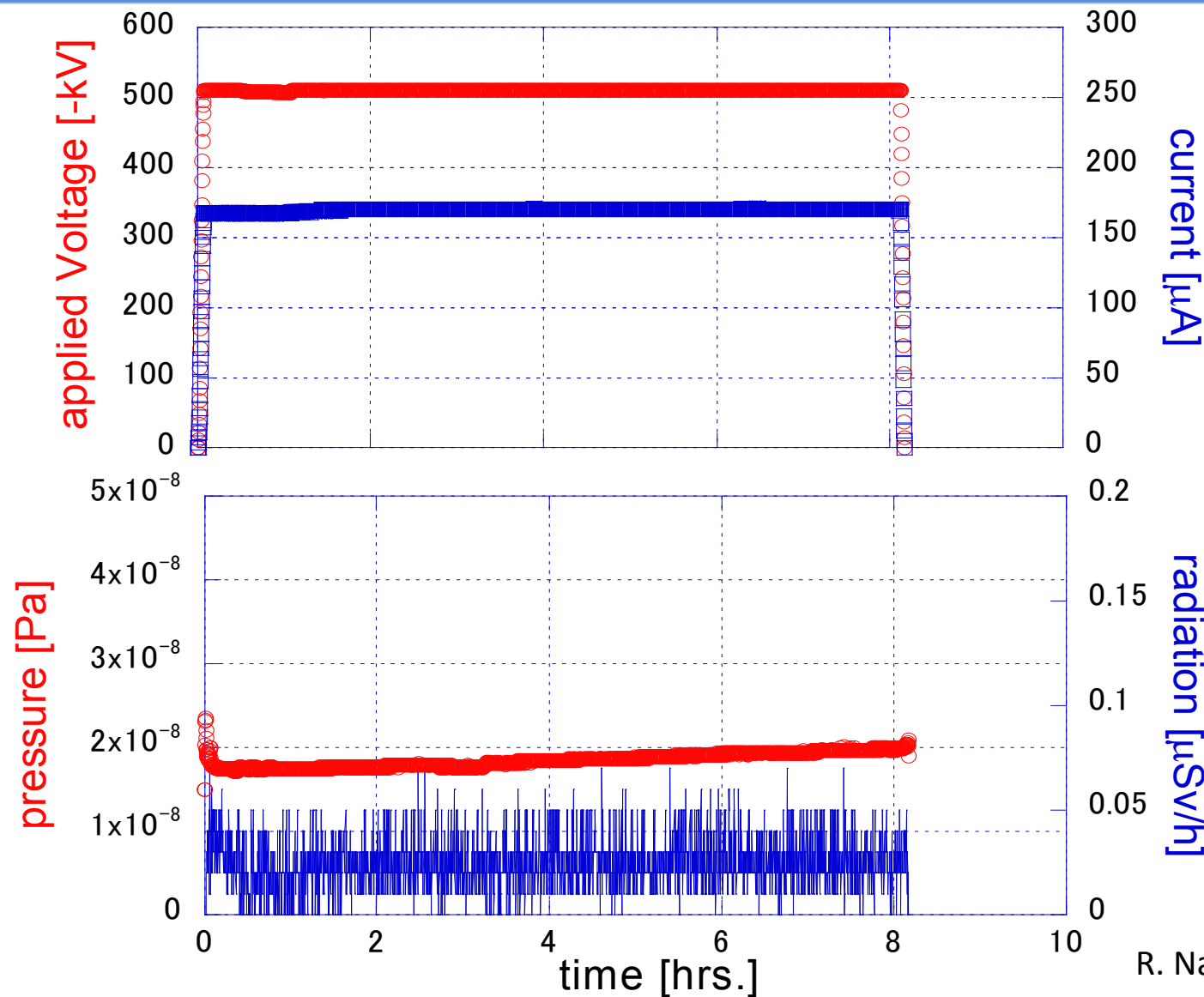
- 190°C baking for 8 hours
- start processing at  $3 \times 10^{-8}$  [Pa]
- Vacuum pump: 1000L/s-TMP



- one hundred hours to reach 550 kV
- quarter hour for each 1kV step from 250 kV to 500 kV
- slower processing above 500 kV

R. Nagai et al., "High-voltage testing of a 500-kV dc photocathode electron gun", RSI. 81 033304 (2010).

# Stable operation at 500 kV for 8 hours



C.W.:510kV

$R_{\text{div}} : 5\text{G}\Omega$

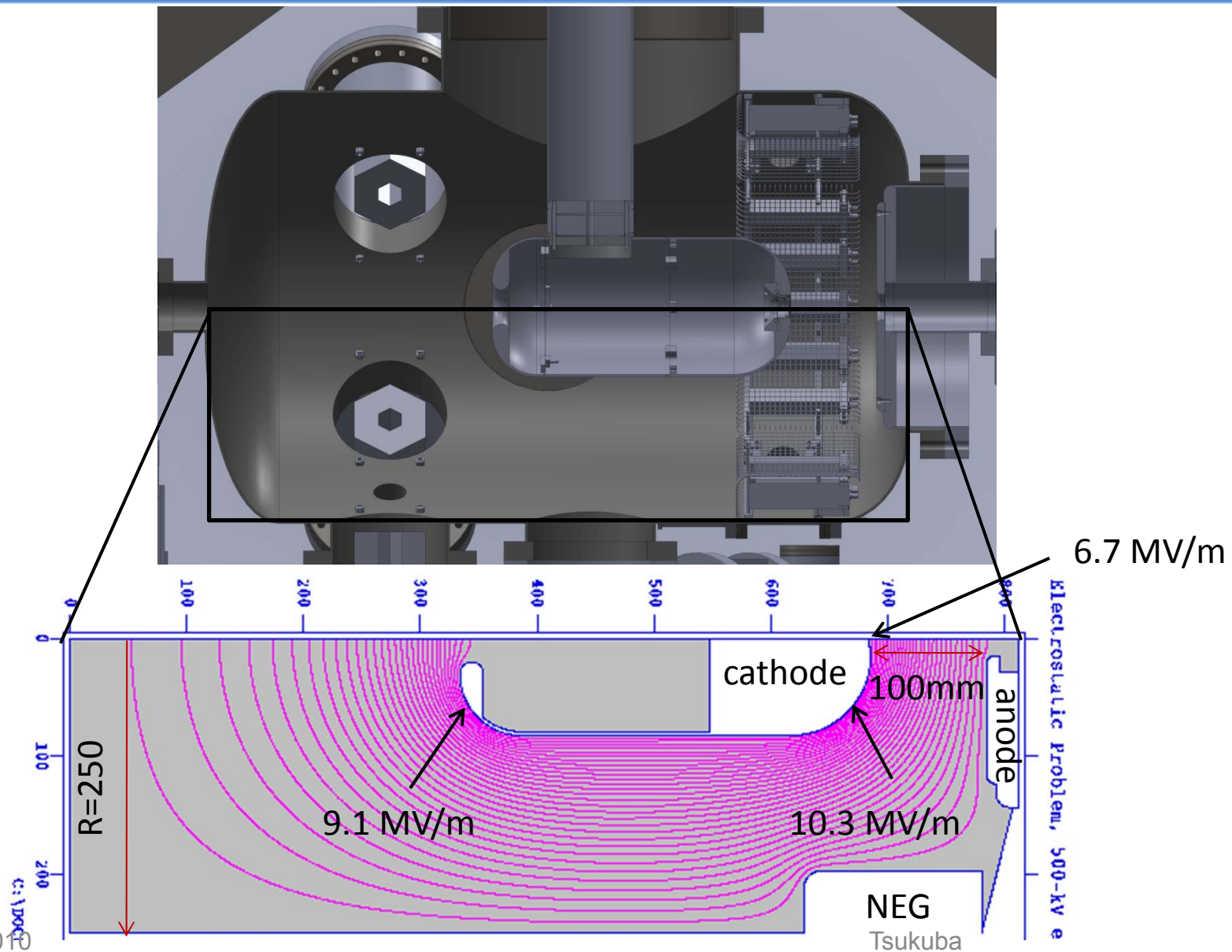
$R_{\text{out}} : 0.1\text{G}\Omega$

→500kV@insulator

No indication of discharge,  
local heating due to dark  
current

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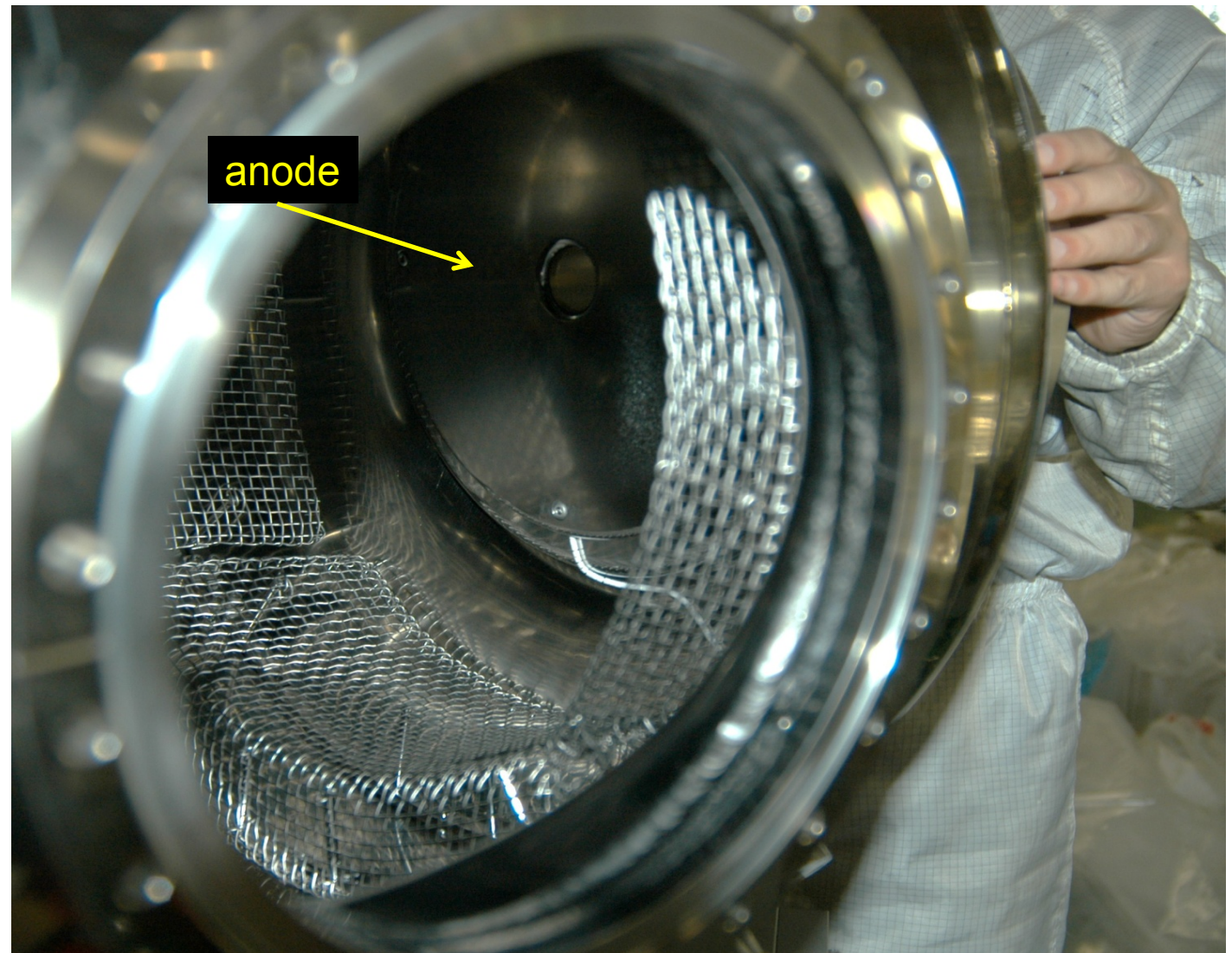
# Cathode electrode: POISSON calculation



# Installation of electrodes



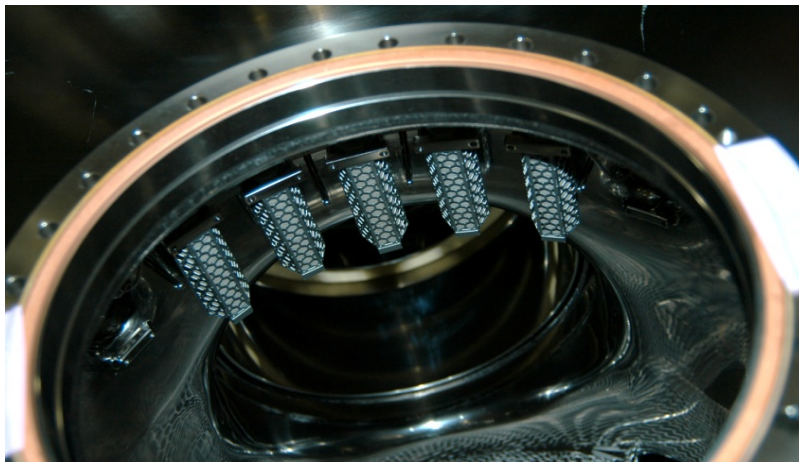
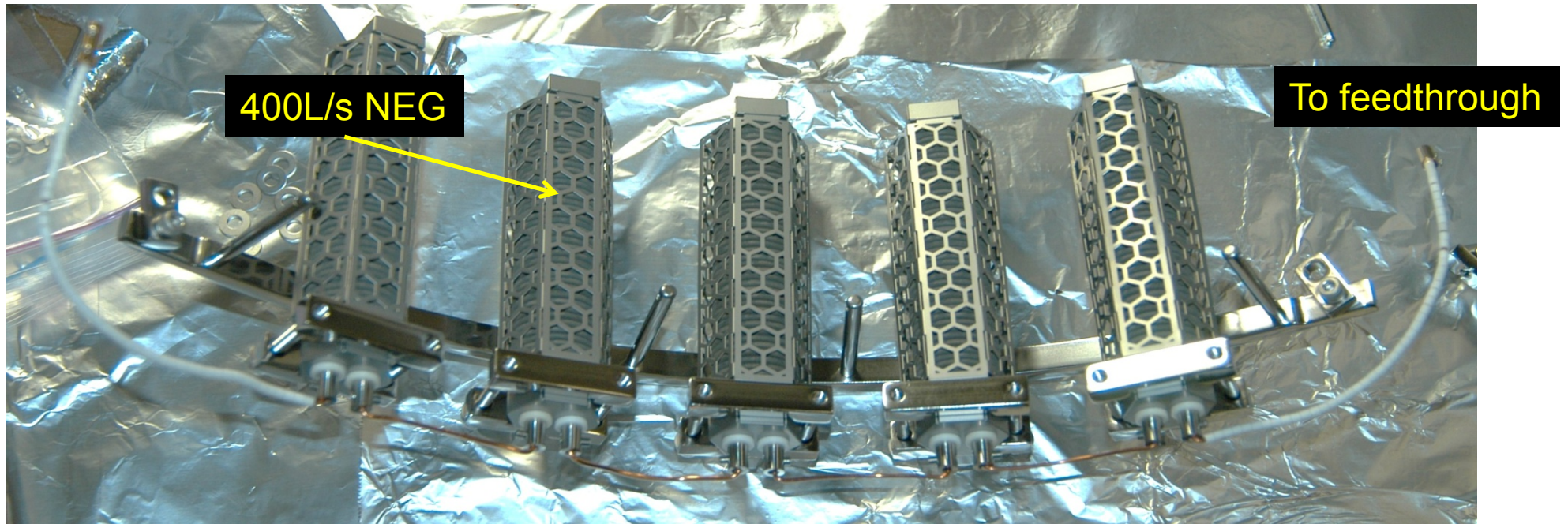
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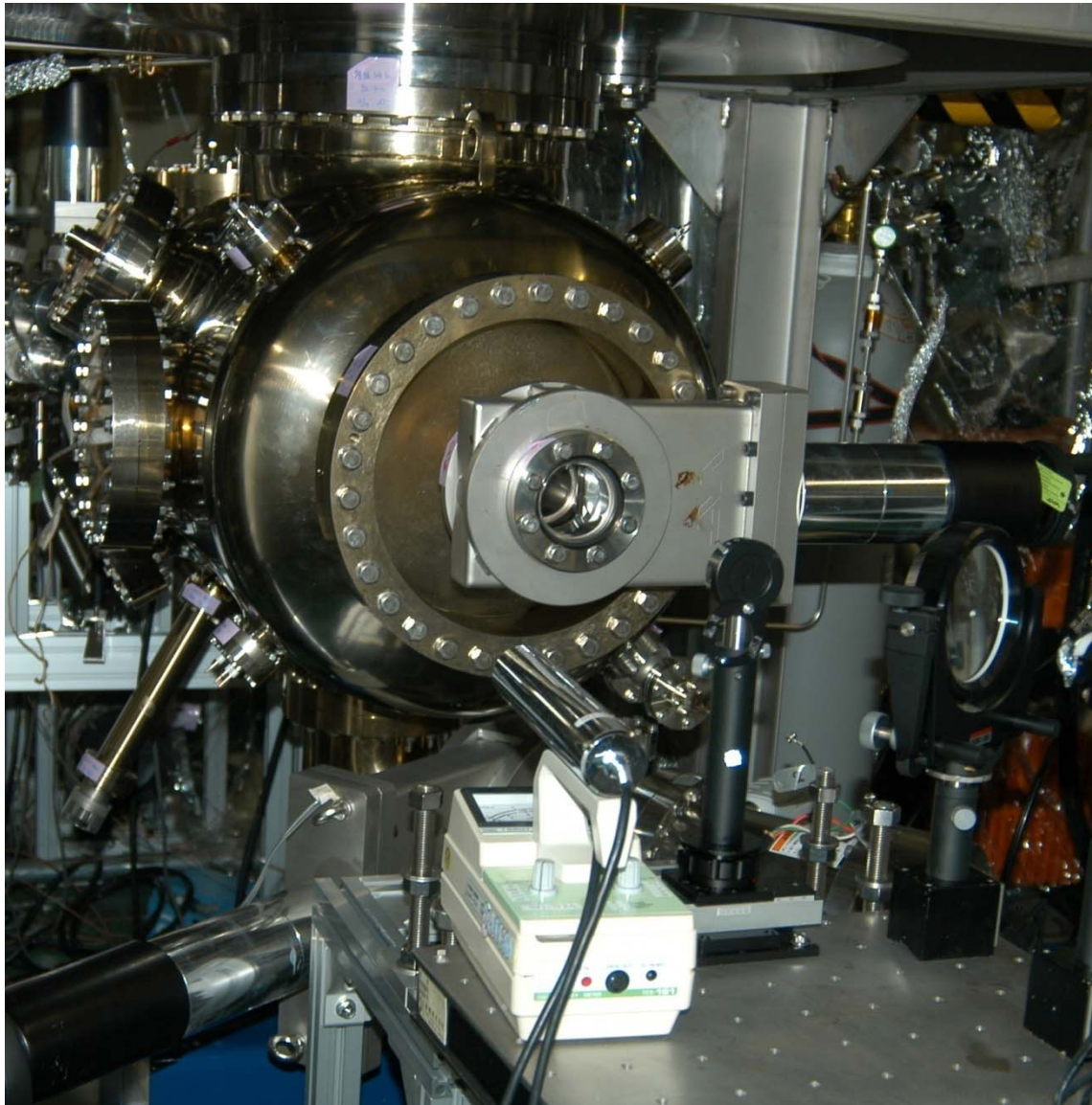
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# Installation of NEG pumps



8,000 l/s around electrodes  
10,000 l/s downstream of cathode

# Processing setup



Interlock system:

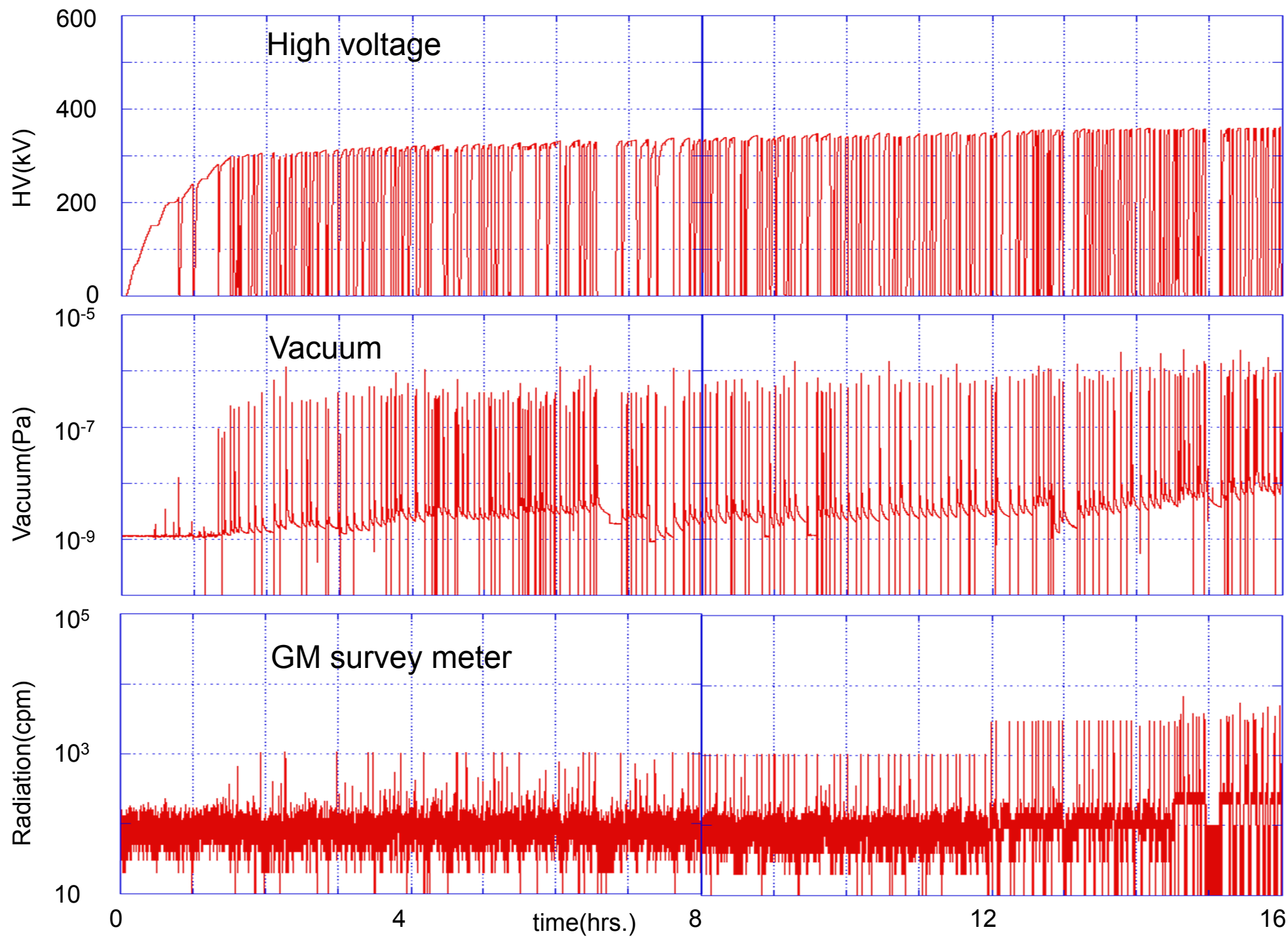
$>1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Pa}$

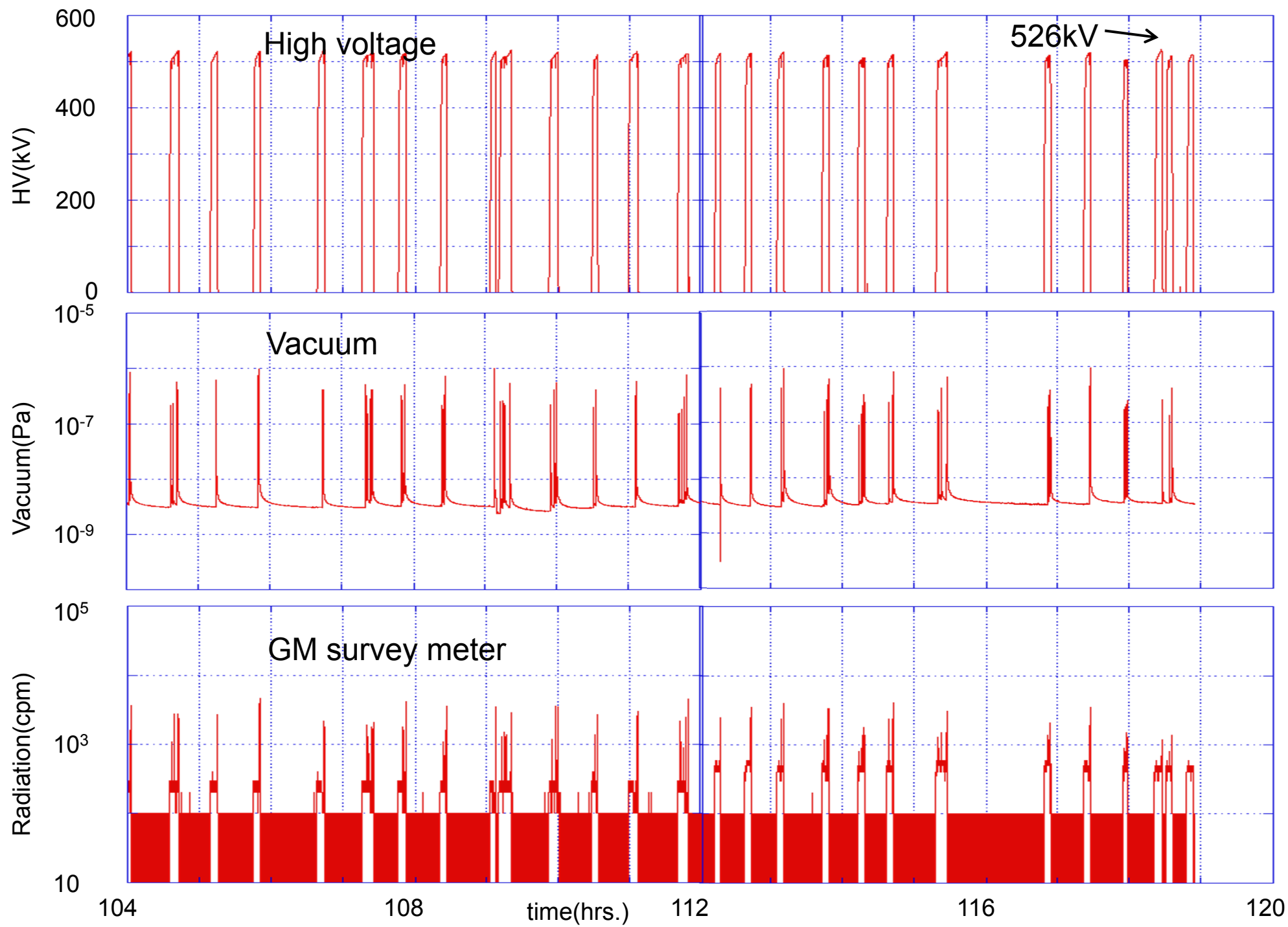
$>3 \mu\text{Sv/h}$

NaI/GM detector:

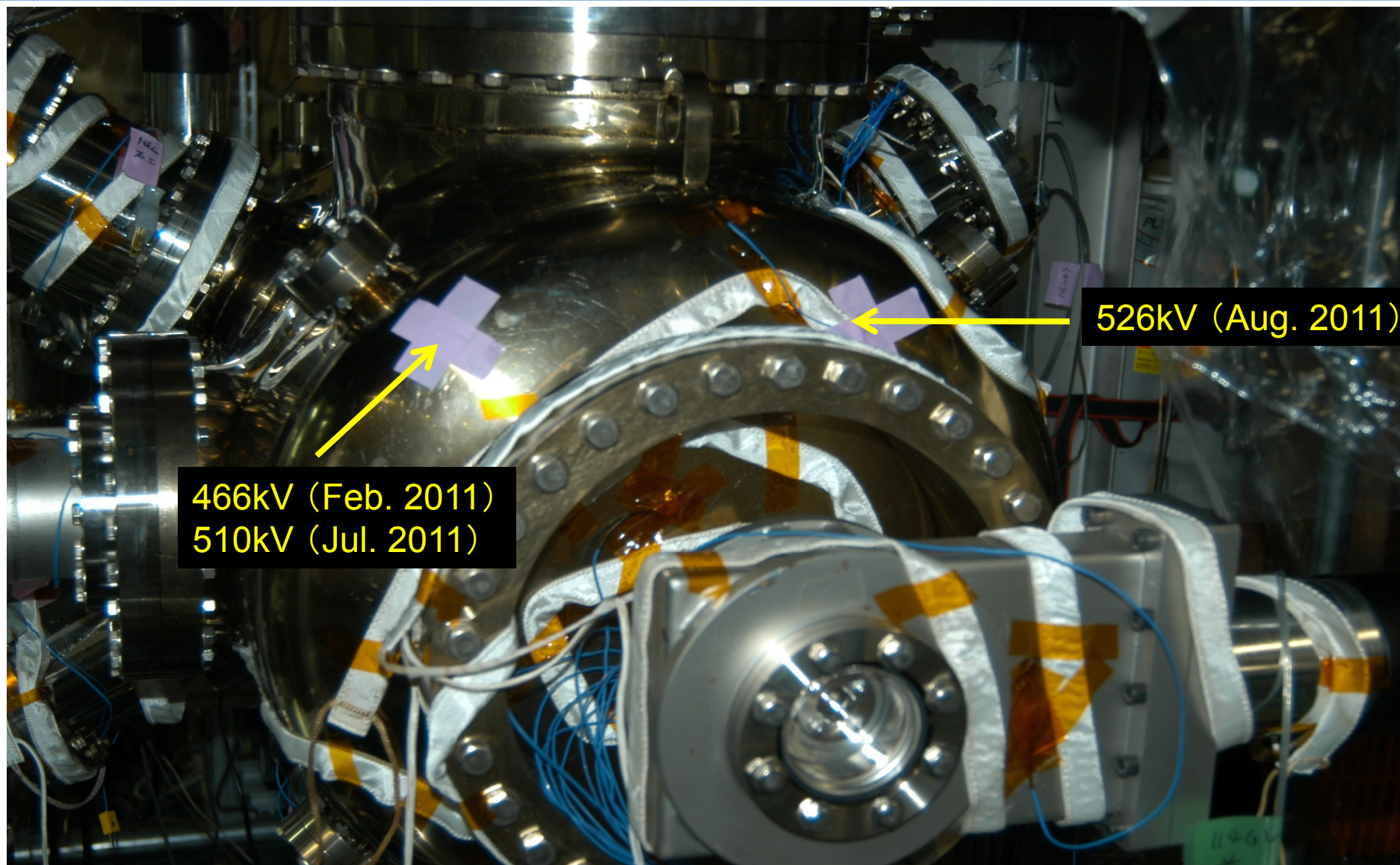
0.2m downstream of anode

Time constant 3s





# Local radiation

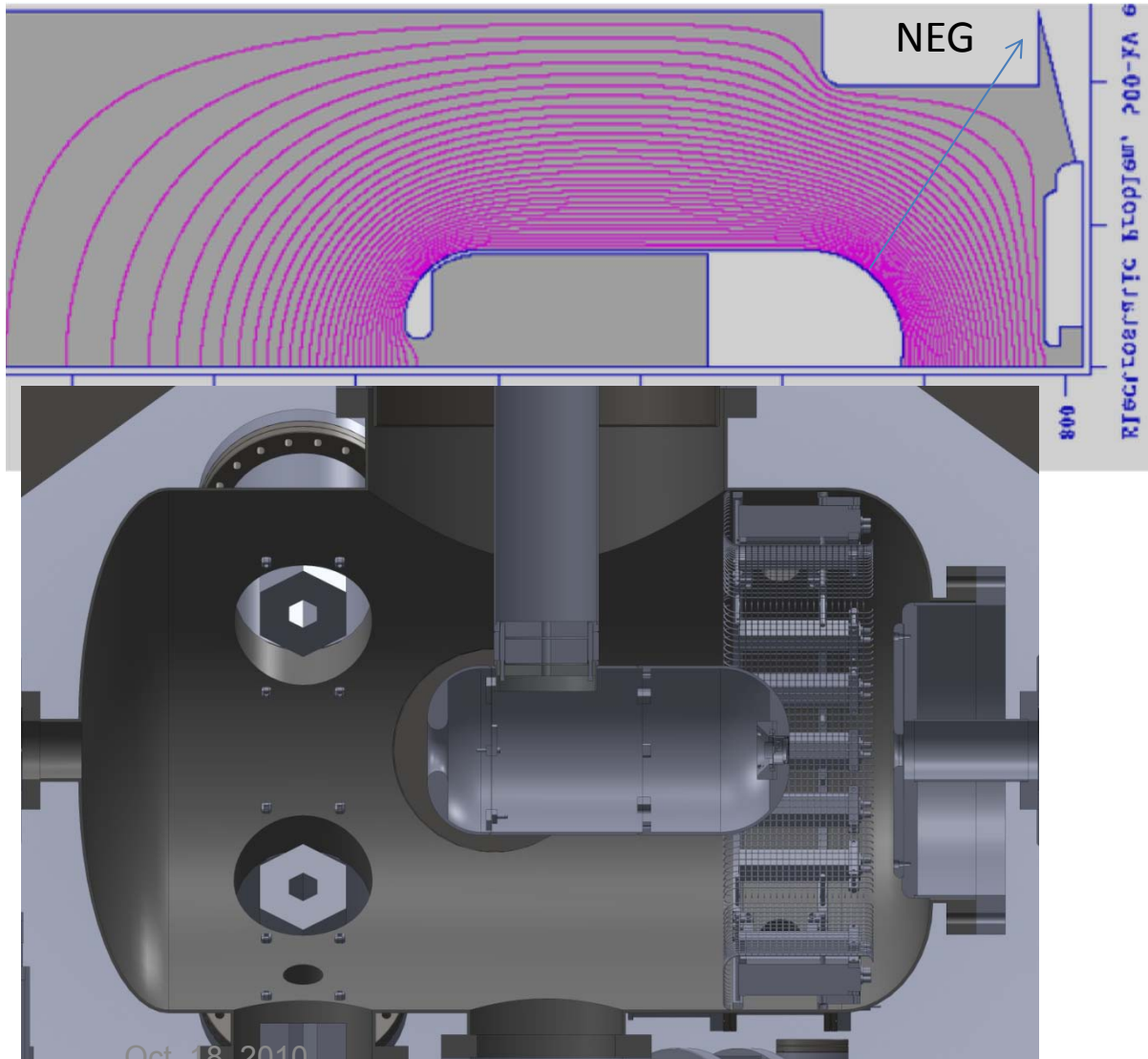


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# What causes local radiation? dust ?



## Local radiation

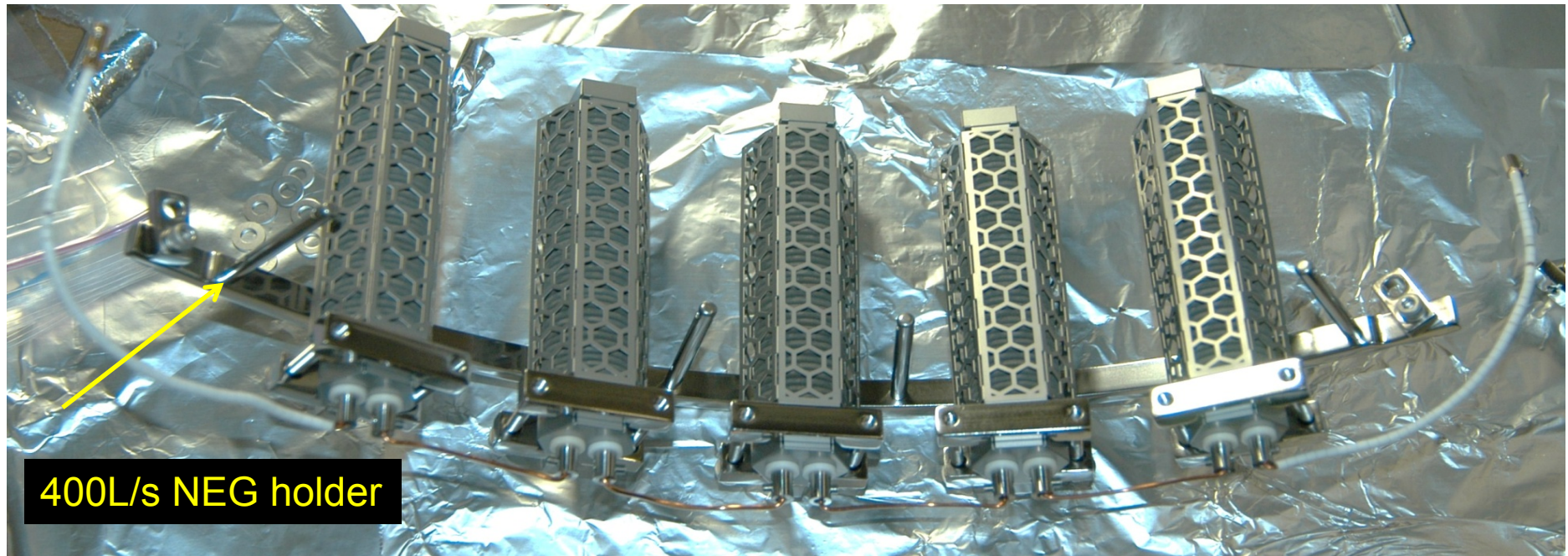
Does not exist at fist  
Appears suddenly after a discharge  
Disappears by hand wiping

→ dust inside HV chamber

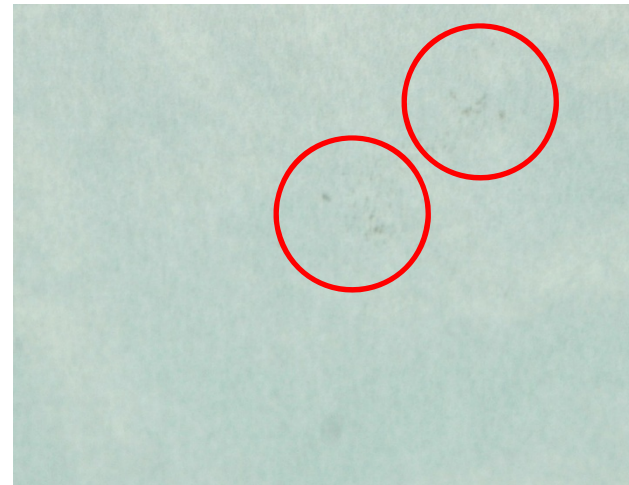
Generated from max. E field  
Levitation of dust ?

Observed upward radiation only  
Fall from NEG, mesh or holder ?

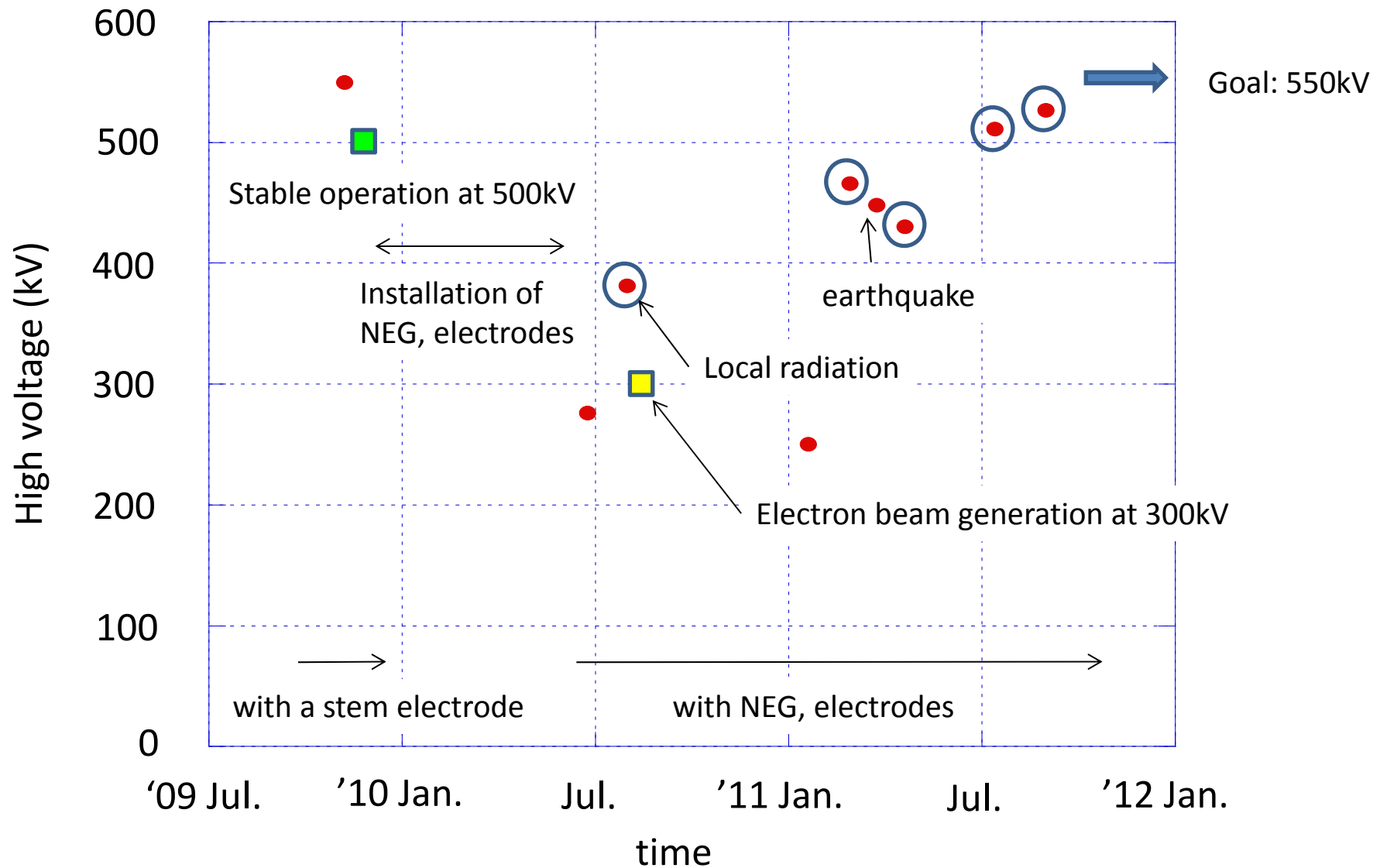
# Possible source of dust



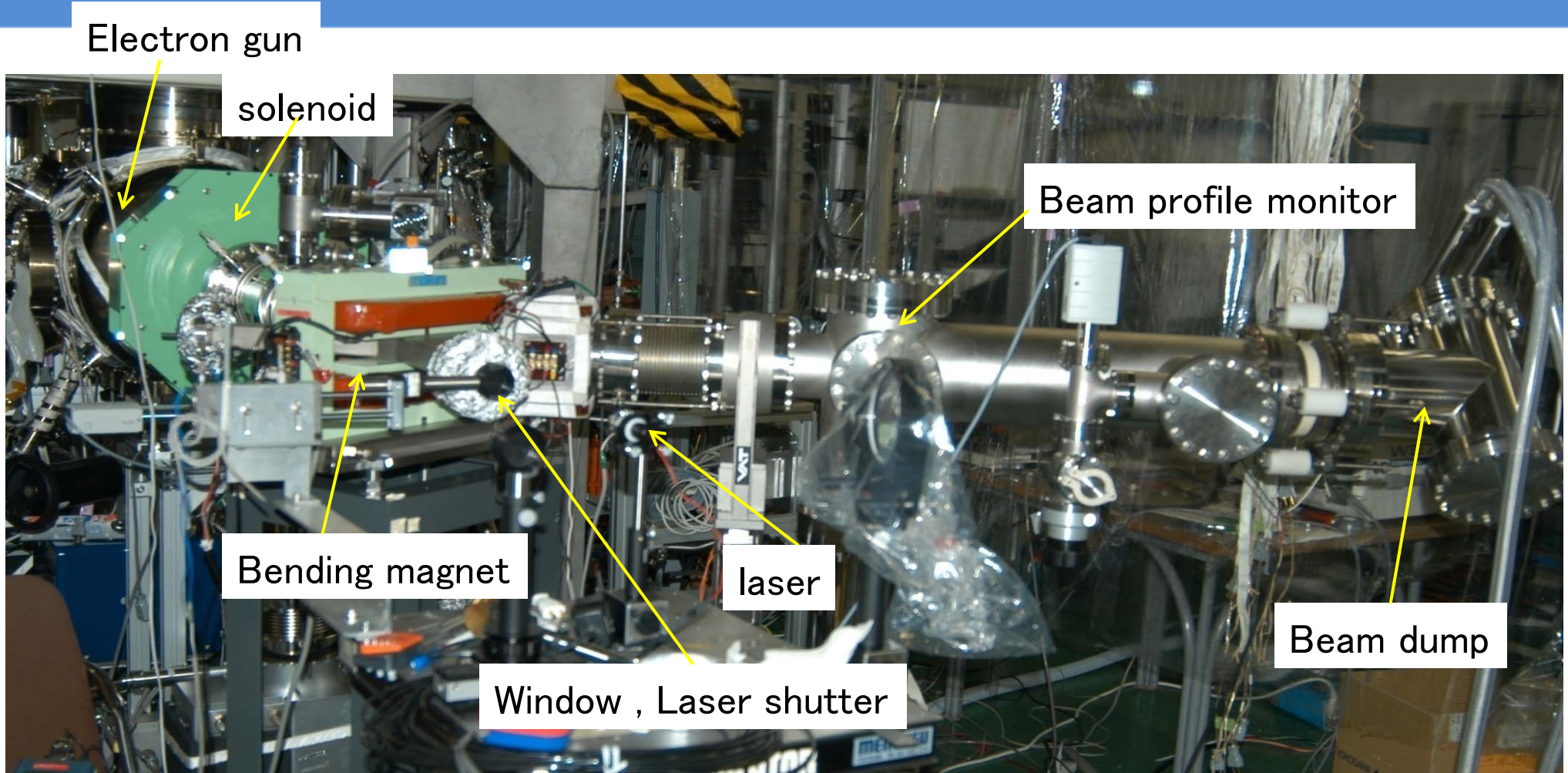
Polishing powder found in holes of  
NEG holder parts



# History of HV processing



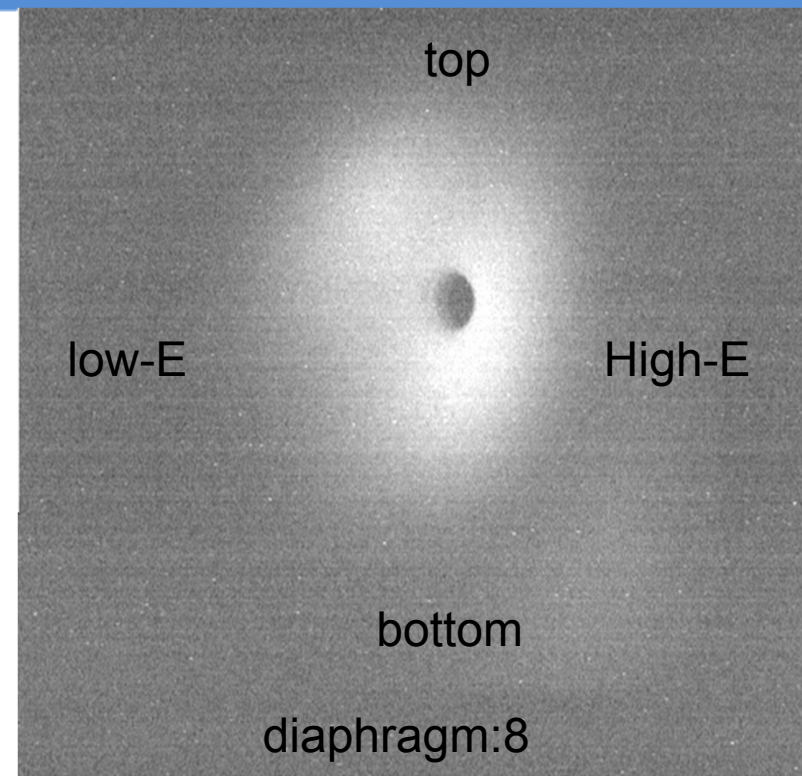
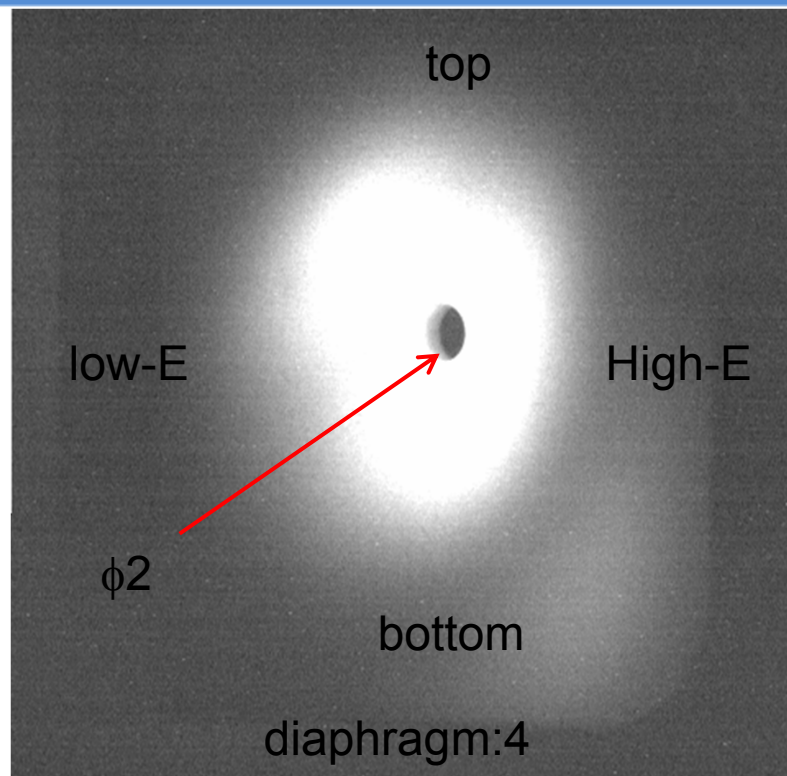
# Downstream beam line



1.2 m from anode to bending magnet

0.7 m from bending magnet to beam profile monitor

# 300 keV beam generation



- Beam profile on screen placed 1.9m downstream from anode.
- 15nA@beam dump, laser power 1.4 $\mu$ W@532nm, QE=2.5%
- 5.7 $\mu$ A@beam dump at maximum due to radiation from beam dump

# Summary and Outlook

## ● 500kV gun status

- ✓ HV test with a stem electrode: 550kV processing, 500kV for 8 hours without any discharge
- ✓ Electrodes: installed. Maximum field  $<10.3$  MV/m, 6.7 MV/m on cathode
- ✓ NEG pumps: Installed in gun chamber
- ✓ Vacuum:  $<1 \times 10^{-9}$  [Pa] in HV chamber
- ✓ HV test with electrodes in place: 526kV processing
- ✓ Beam generation at 300kV

## ● Outlook

- HV processing up to 550kV by solving local radiation problem