# Installation and commissioning of the 1.1 MW deuteron prototype Linac of IFMIF





Medium term Problems Greenhouse effect Resources are finite



#### **FUSION ENERGY WILL BECOME A SOLUTION**



## Neutrons in first wall

ITER first wall will present <2 dpa at the end of its operational life

In a Fusion power plant ~150 dpa within 5 years are expected

Transmutation energies threshold of Fe >3 MeV yield α-particles He induced embrittlement

The first wall of the reactor vessel shall absorb neutrons energy and breed tritium

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Existing neutron sources do not provide the needed answers

Fission reactors n average energy ~2 MeV



No efficient p or α-particle generation

Spallation sources present a wide spectrum with tails in the order of hundreds of MeV Generation of light isotopes in the order of ppm

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International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility

MeV



## IFMIF/EVEDA



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## EVEDA

Engineering Validation & Engineering Design Activities Broader Approach JAEA-EURATOM Agreement











## Validation of IFMIF accelerator

#### Features of IFMIF vs LIPAc d<sup>+</sup> accelerator

125 mA (100% duty cycle) 5 MW vs 1.125 MW Space charge issues Low energy-high power







## Features of LIPAc

Beam halo is known to be a major cause of beam loss and activation in high current hadron Linacs

LEDA reached 100 mA at 6.7 MeV with protons

and demonstrated that beam halo is due to resonances between individual particles and beam core oscillations through optical mismatches in transition regions

> C.K. Allen et al., *Beam Halo Measurements in high current Proton Beams*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 214802

Alignment and commissioning key aspects Precise alignment Halo-matching approach

> P. Nghiem et al., *The IFMIF-EVEDA Challenges in Beam Dynamics and their Treatment*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. 654 (2011) 63–71

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Accelerator facility validation

## LIPAc contribution





## Ion source (CEA Saclay)

D<sup>+</sup> (95% species fraction) ECR (2.5 GHz) E = 100 keV I = 140 mA Duty cycle 100% **E** < 0.3 π mm·mrad

Availability > 95%



#### Acceptance tests in Saclay successful!!

R. Gobin et al., *Final Design* of the IFMIF Injector at CEA/SACLAY, IPAC 2013, Shanghai

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Ion source (CEA Saclay)

#### Margin for performance improvement

Emittance growth mitigated by neutralizing low partial pressure heavy gas in LEBT

5-electrode beam extraction system recently installed 1<sup>st</sup> stage beam extraction system

V increase will reduce further the emittance

N. Chauvin et al., *Beam* commissioning of the Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator Injector: measurements and simulations, IPAC 2013, Shanghai

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### **Injector Installation is starting!!**

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175 MHz  $I_{input}$ = 130 mA  $E_{output}$ = 5 MeV Up to 10mA beam losses allowed Max surface field 25.2 MV/m (1.8 Kp)

Tuning feasibility demonstrated in an Al full scale prototype

Brazing technology developed at CERN

Prototype module leak tight and on tolerances

#### 18 modules 9.8 m long RFQ

**Dielectric Bead pulling** 





M. Comunian, A. Pisent , *The Beam dynamics redesign of IFMIF-EVEDA RFQ for a larger input beam acceptance*, IPAC 2011, San Sebastián

F. Grespan, *Modelization of the* beam loading effect in the IFMIF-EVEDA RFQ in pulsed regime, IPAC 2013, Shanghai

R. Dima et al., *Present status and* progress of the RFQ of *IFMIF/EVEDA*, IPAC 2013, Shanghai Superconducting cavities (CEA-Saclay)

#### Superconducting HWR resonator at 175 MHz

 $E_{input}$  = 5 MeV  $E_{output}$  = 9 MeV Beam loss < 10W  $E_{acc}$  = 4.5 MeV/m Max transm. RF power = 70 kW







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D<sup>+</sup> operation time will be limited to allow hands-on maintenance

Proton beams at half energy and half intensity present same speed and space charge than deuteron beams at nominal energy and intensity

> Duty cycles will start with 0.1% Chopper in LEBT qualified Pulse duration 20 ms to 5 ms repetition rate of 10 Hz 8 kV rise/fall time of 4 µs

> > IPAC 2013 - Shanghai



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## **Commissioning phases**

#### Four consecutive phases are foreseen

1<sup>st</sup> Phase

#### Repetition of Injector + LEBT Individual System Tests in Rokkasho

2<sup>nd</sup> Phase

RFQ + MEBT at full intensity but with a reduced duty cycle (0.1% is targeted)

D-plate will be an essential element of the commissioning tasks

3<sup>rd</sup> Phase

Individual System Tests of cryomodule, HEBT and Beam Dump Commissioning with 0.1% duty cycle

4<sup>th</sup> Phase

Full current with a slow ramping up of duty cycle to reach 100%  $\mu$ -loss monitors will be the essential beam halo diagnostic

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H. Shidara et al., Installation status of deuteron injector of IFMIF prototype accelerator in Japan, IPAC 2013, Shanghai

## Essential elements I - Alignment

An upgrade of the survey network in the Accelerator has been undertaken

Beam error simulations demands alignments (or precision of measurements) within 0.1 mm

Simulations carried out by F4E on the existing fiducials in the accelerator hall with Unified Spatial Metrology Network (USMN) of SpatialAnalyzer<sup>®</sup> (SA) showed an uncertainty of the measurement of **0.145 mm** 

Placement of 120 new fiducials will limit

measurement uncertainties <0.03 mm with the laser tracker Leica AT401 suitably located in the accelerator hall during all future alignment tasks





## Essential elements II

#### Diagnostic Plate will be used for Phase II and part of Phase III beam current, phase, position, transverse and longitudinal profiles, transverse halo, mean energy and energy spread, transverse and longitudinal emittance and beam losses



I. Podadera et al., *A Diagnostic Plate for the IFMIF-EVEDA Accelerator*, IPAC 2008, Genoa

3 μ-loss monitors (CVD diamonds) 4 mm x 4mm placed azimuthally per solenoid (x8) in the SRF module will be used in Phase IV to precisely determine the beam halo



## And learn from all other world's high current accelerator experiences!!!



### Schedule







IFMIF is an essential facility in the world Fusion programme It will become a Fusion relevant neutron source

The validation activities not only cover the Accelerator also the Target facility (JAEA&ENEA) and Test facility (KIT&JAEA)

IFMIF/EVEDA is an effective risk mitigation phase that will allow facing the construction of IFMIF as soon as the Fusion community needs it

LIPAc beam performance (125 mA CW), going beyond present achieved limits, makes it be an unique tool to learn issues related with high beam powers

LIPAc Installation is starting, time ahead is scientifically exciting. Phase IV of commissioning is scheduled to start middle 2016