

ENTRY NO. 34  
 NAME OF MACHINE Variable Energy Cyclotron  
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**HISTORY AND STATUS**

DESIGN, date 1967 Model tests  
 ENG DESIGN, date 1968-69  
 CONSTRUCTION, date 1969-77  
 FIRST BEAM, date (or goal) June 77 (Int) July 78 (Ext.)  
 MAJOR ALTERATIONS

COST, ACCELERATOR \$ 3x10<sup>6</sup>  
 COST, FACILITY, total \$ 11x10<sup>6</sup>  
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**ACCELERATOR STAFF, OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

SCIENTISTS 12 ENGINEERS 32  
 TECHNICIANS 58 CRAFTS 131  
 GRAD STUDENTS involved during year  
 OPERATED BY Research staff or 12 Operators  
 OPERATION 96 hr/wk. On target hr/wk  
 TIME DISTR. in house % Outside %  
 BUDGET, op & dev \$ 1.5 x 10<sup>6</sup>  
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**RESEARCH STAFF, not included above**

USERS, in house 7 groups outside 20 groups  
 GRAD STUDENTS involved during year 10  
 RESEARCH BUDGET, in house  
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**MAGNET**

POLE FACE, diameter (compact) 224 cm, R extraction 99 cm  
 R injection cm  
 GAP, min 19 cm, Field 21 kG  
 min 30 cm, Field 14.1 kG at 0.56 x 10<sup>6</sup>  
 AVERAGE FIELD at R ext 17.1 kG Ampere turns  
 B max / < B >

NUMBER OF SECTORS { compact 3 } Spiral, max 55 deg  
 { separated }  
 SECTOR ANGLE (SSC) deg

TRIMMING COILS 17 pairs

CONDUCTOR, material and type Cu  
 STORED ENERGY (cryogenic) MJ  
 POWER: main coils 525 max, kW; current stability 0.01%  
 trimming coils 460 max, kW; current stability 0.01%  
 WEIGHT: Fe 275 tons; coils 10 tons  
 COOLING system LCW  
 ION ENERGY (bending limit) E/A = 140 q<sup>2</sup>/a<sup>2</sup> MEV/amu  
 (focusing limit) E/A = 70 q/a MeV/amu

**ACCELERATION SYSTEM**

DEES, number 1 180 deg  
 BEAM APERTURE 3.5 cm; DC Bias VC kV  
 TUNED by coarse fine  
 RF 5.5 to 16.5\* MHz, stable ± 1 in 10<sup>-7</sup>  
 Orb F to MHz  
 HARMONICS, RF/Orb F, used  
 DEE-Gnd, max 60 kV, min gap 6.19 cm  
 STABILITY, (pk-pk noise)/(pk RF volt)  
 ENERGY GAIN, max 120 kV/turn  
 RF PHASE, stable to ± deg  
 RF POWER input, max 300\* kW  
 FREQUENCY MODULATION, rate /s  
 modulator, type  
 beam pulse, width

**VACUUM SYSTEM**

OPERATING PRESSURE 3 x 10<sup>-6</sup> Torr or mbar  
 PUMPS, No, Type, Size Two 39 cm dia oil diffusion pumps

**ION SOURCES**

PIG - Hot filament

**INJECTION SYSTEM**

Internal Ion Source

**EXTRACTION SYSTEM**

DC Electrostatic Deflector

**FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH**

SHIELDED AREA, fixed 226 m<sup>2</sup>; movable 535 m<sup>2</sup>  
 TARGET STATIONS 9 in 4  
 STATIONS served at same time, max 1  
 MAG SPECTROGRAPH, type QSD (under construction)  
 COMPUTER model IRIS-80, ND-500 (planned)  
 OTHER FACILITIES

**CHARACTERISTIC BEAMS**

| PARTICLE         | ENERGY (MeV) |          | CURRENT (pμA) |          |
|------------------|--------------|----------|---------------|----------|
|                  | Goal         | Achieved | Internal      | External |
| He <sup>++</sup> | 140          | 100      | 5             | 7        |
|                  |              | 85       |               | 1.5      |
|                  |              | 30       | 55            | 15       |
| SECONDARY        |              |          | (part/s)      |          |

**BEAM PROPERTIES**

MEASURED CONDITIONS  
 PULSE WIDTH 10 RF deg 1.1 pμ A of 40 MeV He<sup>++</sup> ions  
 PHASE EXC. max RF deg pμ A of MeV ions  
 EXTRACT eff 35% 15 pμ A of 30 MeV He<sup>++</sup> ions  
 RESOL ΔE/E 1% 10 pμ A of 30 MeV He<sup>++</sup> ions  
 EMITTANCE { 19.9 axial } pμ A of MeV  
 (π mm. mrad) { 28.6 rad }

**OPERATING PROGRAMS, time distribution**

BASIC NUCLEAR PHYSICS 72% SOLID STATES PHYSICS 14%  
 BIOMEDICAL APPLICAT. ISOTOPE PRODUCTIONS 2,4%

**REFERENCES/NOTES**

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PLAN VIEW OF FACILITY, COMMENTS, ETC.

\* Design value