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IMPACT: A Substantial Upgrade to the HIPA Infrastructure at Paul Scherrer Institute

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Accelerator Facilities at PSI

UCN

SINQ Spallation Neutron Source

SWISSFEL

5.8 GeV

p-Therapy (PROSCAN) Comet: 250MeV, <1μA

Central control room

Swiss Light Source (SLS) 2.4GeV, 400mA High Intensity Proton Accelerator (HIPA) 590 MeV, max. 2.4mA

SINQ

The PSI Proton Accelerator Facilities



HIPA (High Intensity Proton Accelerator) PROSCAN (Proton therapy): since 2007

- CW (50.63 MHz), 590 MeV,
- up to 2.4 mA(1.44 MW)
- 2 meson production targets
- 7 secondary beam lines
- SINQ and UCN spallation source

Comet: superconducting cyclotron CW, 250 MeV, up to 1 µA protons medical treatment:

3 Gantries, 1 Eye Cancer Treatment Station Irradiation Station: PIF



Target: graphite

2 mm thick rim

 \rightarrow effective 5 mm (due to angle),

cooled by thermal conduction

no problems with bearings, since well shielded!



IMPACT = HIMB + TATTOOS

Isotope and Muon Production with advanced cyclotron and target technology

- Upgrade of target station M to target station H for 100 x more surface muons
 → HIMB
- New target station for producing radioisotopes for research in cancer therapy
 → TATTOOS
 - 77 M project, 60 M by Swiss Roadmap for Research Infrastructure
 - 1. evaluation passed in July 2022: best marks!
 - 2. evaluation in Dec. 2022







IMPACT Conceptual Design Report

> PSI Bericht Nr. 22-01 January 2022 ISSN 1019-0643

~ 100 people are involved

9 subprojects and 35 working groups

Conceptional Design Report (Jan. 2022) https://www.dora.lib4ri.ch/psi/islandora/object/psi%3A41209



Particle & material physics (µSR)

Surface muons (~ 28 MeV/c) rates of 10¹⁰/s for

- Increasing the sensitivity for the detection of rare/forbidden muon decay
 → Physics beyond the standard model
- Study of magnetic properties below surface with more sensitivity





Keep the competiveness for future experiments & attractiveness for users

[Plot courtesy of A.Papa/A.Knecht] A. Signer



TATTOOS: Targeted Alpha Tumour Therapy and Other Oncological Solutions

Life science:

Producing enough radioisotopes with 590 MeV p (100 μ A)

- for cancer treatment & diagnostics (theranostics) in quantities needed for clinical studies on human beings
- research only, no commercial production planned.





2 separators to remove positrons



View in the experimental hall present TgM,

to be replaced by TgH(IMB) \rightarrow remote handling



power _ supplies

> Besides the shielding a lot of infrastructure has to be removed, e.g. He cryo station and the water cooling loop (below cryo station) and later built-up



- short wide solenoids with large fringing field in high radiation area
- close distance to the target +/- 250 mm
- thicker target (20 mm instead of 5 mm) \rightarrow higher losses & activation
- slanted target type larger rim (> 100 mm) \rightarrow larger surface
 - large rotating wheel for cooling
 - small angle relative to beam
- beamline optimized for large transmission of surface muons
 & small losses of the proton beam



Beamline simulations from TgM/H to SINQ

Moving from 5 mm to 20 mm target:

Does the remaining beam line stand the losses?

Is the transmission acceptable?

Can the fringing field from the close capture solenoids corrected?

Can the beam profile required at TgE & SINQ target be fulfilled?

Complete Beamline from Ring to SINQ in BDSIM by building GDML files, some parts (targets, collimators) from CAD



- Fixing aperture & positions of 3 collimators
- fringing field at Target H included
- non-pencil realistic beam profile before Target H/M
- sensitivity studies of non-perfect beam



• The beam is injected into the cyclotron chain using a movable collimator (KIP2)



Radial probe measurement at the extraction of the PSI 590 MeV cyclotron (June 2021): Normalized bunch intensity

- ightarrow Energy deposition on the components and losses depend on the current.
- \rightarrow Successful benchmarks of present beamline and BDSIM



- Very good agreement between simulation and profile measurement for 5 mm TgM.
- Optics tweaked in TgM-TgE region to minimize beam losses.
- Energy spread after TgE about a factor of 2 larger for HIMB.
- Optics tweaked by ± 3 % after TgE (strength of Quads).

Transmission ~ 67 % (main losses before TgE)



TATTOOS: Building variants

WEHA



WMFA

14 x 16 x 16

13 x 16 x 8



~ 50 % larger but half of cellar will be kept $(D_2 \text{ water tanks for UCN } \&$ entry to active cooling station)

Several rebuildings

- UCN-D₂ reservoir,
- UCN He buffer tank
- UCN electr. infrastructure
- UCN control room
- WEHA transformers
- **PROSCAN** ventilation
- SULTAN media pipes
- waste water pipes etc

Lots of infrastructure for HIPA, UCN, PROSCAN, SULTAN have to be removed before start of construction

Up to 14 m deep, difficult & expensive due to small space & close to fundament WEHA



HIPA: 2027 no beam

- \rightarrow Installation of HIMB
- ightarrow 2028 first beam with new target station H

TATTOOS: New building necessary \rightarrow Realization 2 years after HIMB

Advantages:

- Target station installations for HIMB and TATTOOS not at the same time
- \rightarrow less shortage on storage place for new components, shielding
- \rightarrow more PSI resources available, less temporary hired staff

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Beamline to TATTOOS and operation modes



 \rightarrow ~ 15 % beam time loss for TATTOOS (acceptable)







175 stripes out of a W-alloy
size: 2 mm x 50 μm
2 cathodes operating with 172 kV
deflection: +/- 1.5 mrad

Electric field map, resolution : 25 μm by 3000 μm by 500 μm

First 3 stripes measure the current.

For protecting the splitter from damage:

→ current limit on stripes was set by comparing to the splitter EXT used at 72 MeV for the isotope production simulations



Result of splitter test



As expected: larger losses about a factor 2

- ightarrow dose rate measurements above proton beam line are analyzed
- \rightarrow critically, since the beamline is maintained hands-on
- \rightarrow further measurement (dose rates) & simulations needed

2023: larger beam optic with water cooled quadrupoles should be possible



ightarrow challenging to cool

Coupling of target to media supply

Separation of ions

by RILIS (Resonance Ionization Laser Ion Source)

- & ISOL (Isotope Separation Online)
- & chemistry

Clinical preparation (radiolabeling) in a separate clean room (GMP), collaboration with University hospital Zurich (USZ)



- IMPACT: a 77 MCHF project to upgrade the existing meson production station M
 & a new target station to produce radioisotopes with 590 MeV protons
 covers a broad field of applications: particle, solid state physics, life science
 to be realized in 2027 to 2030
 - CDR finished Jan. 2022, TDR planned for end of 2024

Thank your for your attention!