



Design of new compact ECR ion source for C⁵⁺ production

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- Introduction
 - Present status of carbon-ion radiotherapy
 - Requirement to ion source for reduce the cost of a facility
- Experiment
 - Gas (CO_2 , CH_4 , C_4H_{10})
 - Dependence of microwave, magnetic field
- Design of magnets
- Conclusion and Next step

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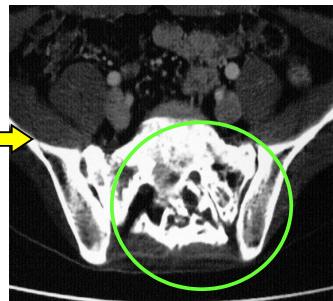


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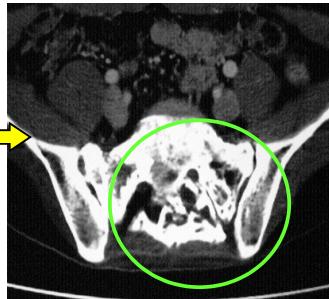


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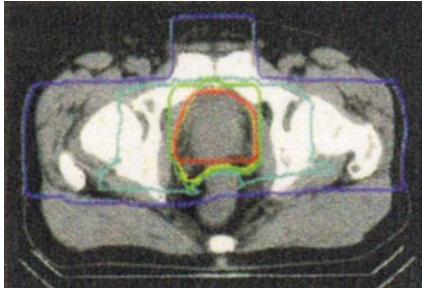


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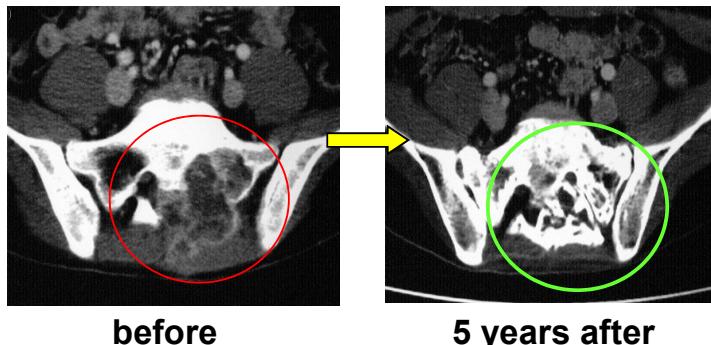
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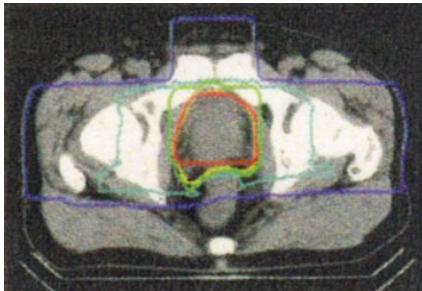
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Hypo-fractionation: The treatment period can be shorten

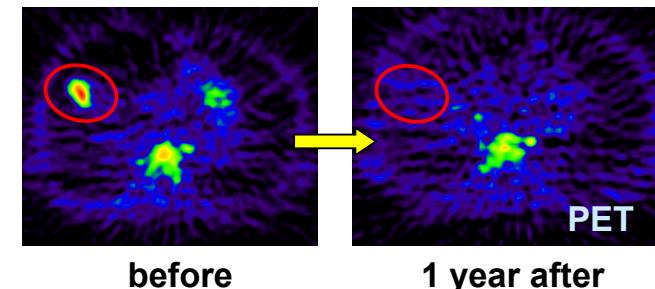
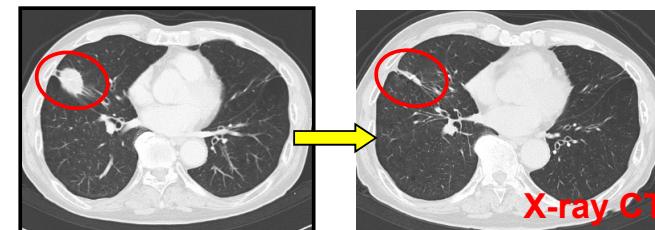
1 day treatment

1 fraction $\sim 50.0\text{GyE}$
in 1 day

3 year Local control
83%
(incl.28-50GyE)

5 years survival
55%
(mean age=73.9)

cause specific survival
73%

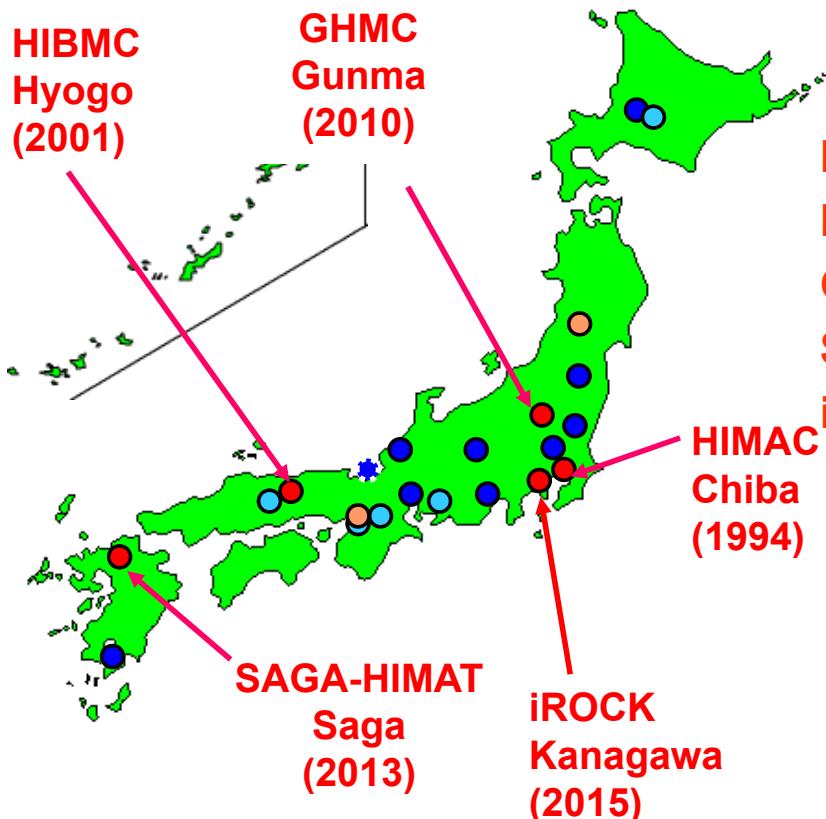


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Carbon-ion radiotherapy in Japan



Operation facilities:

	Period	Patients	
		total	(in 2014)
HIMAC	(1994 – 2016.8)	10031	(794*)
HIBMC	(2005 – 2016.3)	2263	(241)
GHMC	(2010 – 2016.6)	2087	(501)
Saga-HIMAT	(2013 – 2016.7)	1492	(503)
iROCK	(2015.12 –)	-	(-)
	sum	15873	(2039)

*from Apr. to Mar.

Under construction:

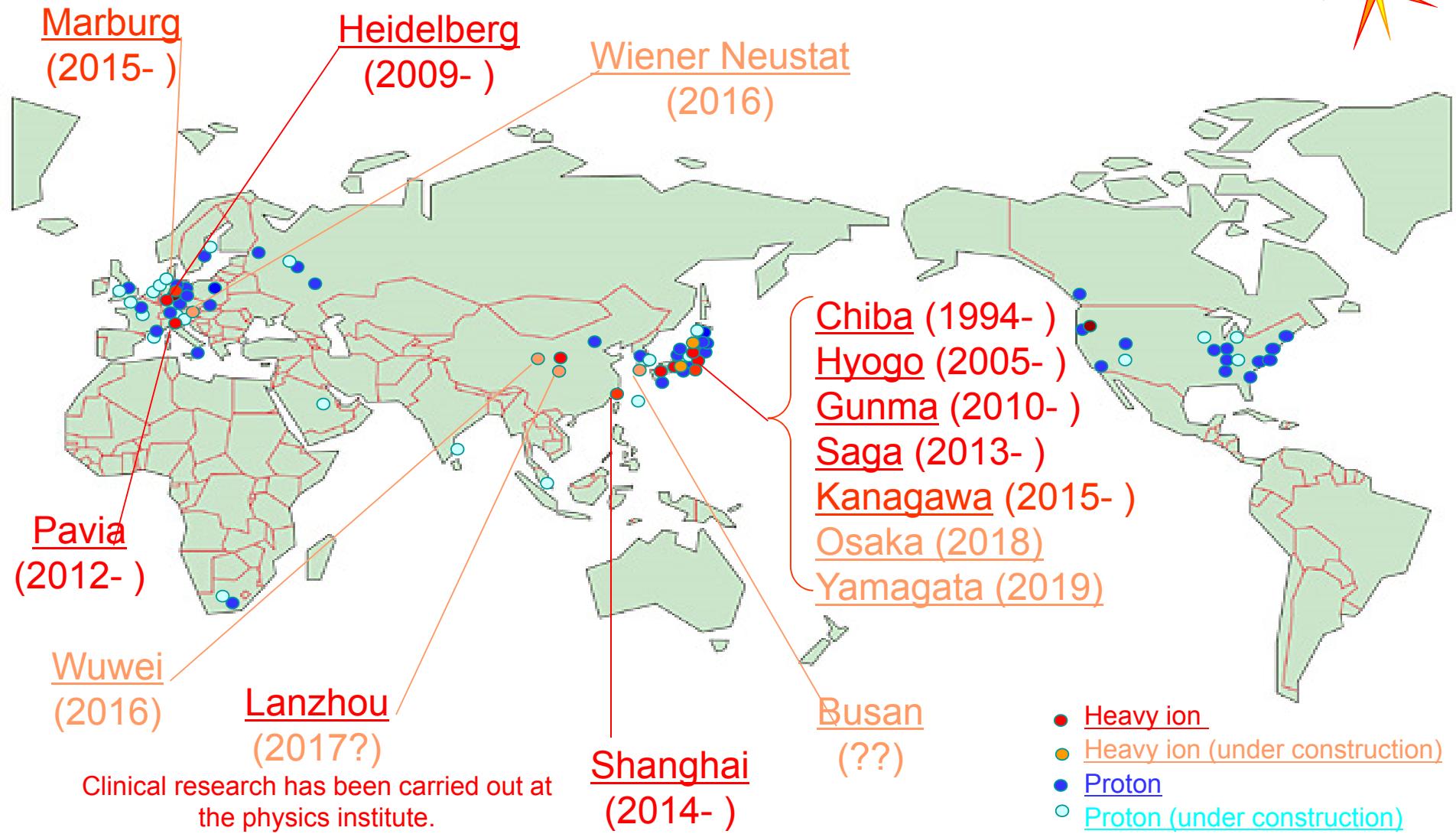
Osaka (plan 2018 –)

Yamagata (plan 2019 –)

Other plans:

Gifu, Okinawa, ...

Charged particle radiotherapy worldwide



Study of new Carbon-ion radiotherapy facility



In order to reduce the cost of the injector Linac,

Lower RF power (tube → semiconductor amp.)

Manufacturing of cavity (reduce the initial cost)

→ Ion source produces the highly charged ions (5+, 6+).

However, it is difficult to separate C⁶⁺ from other ions (nitrogen and oxygen).

→ Production of C⁵⁺ ion.

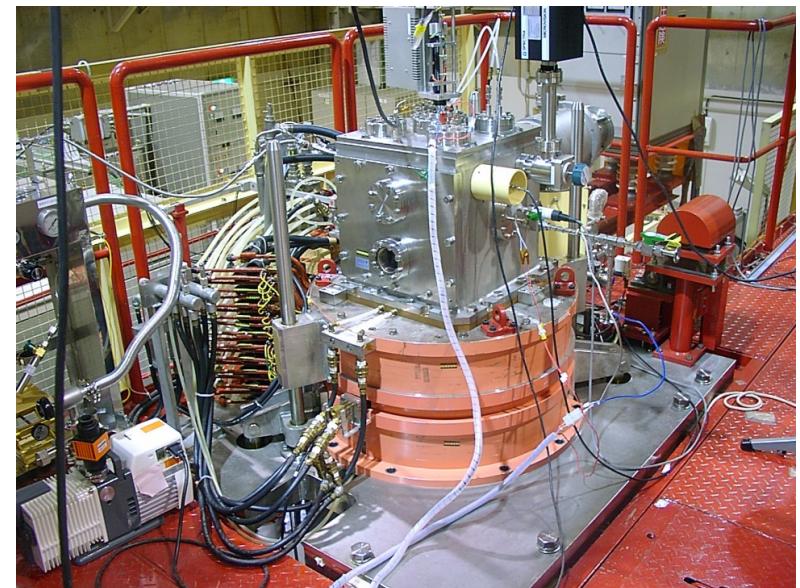
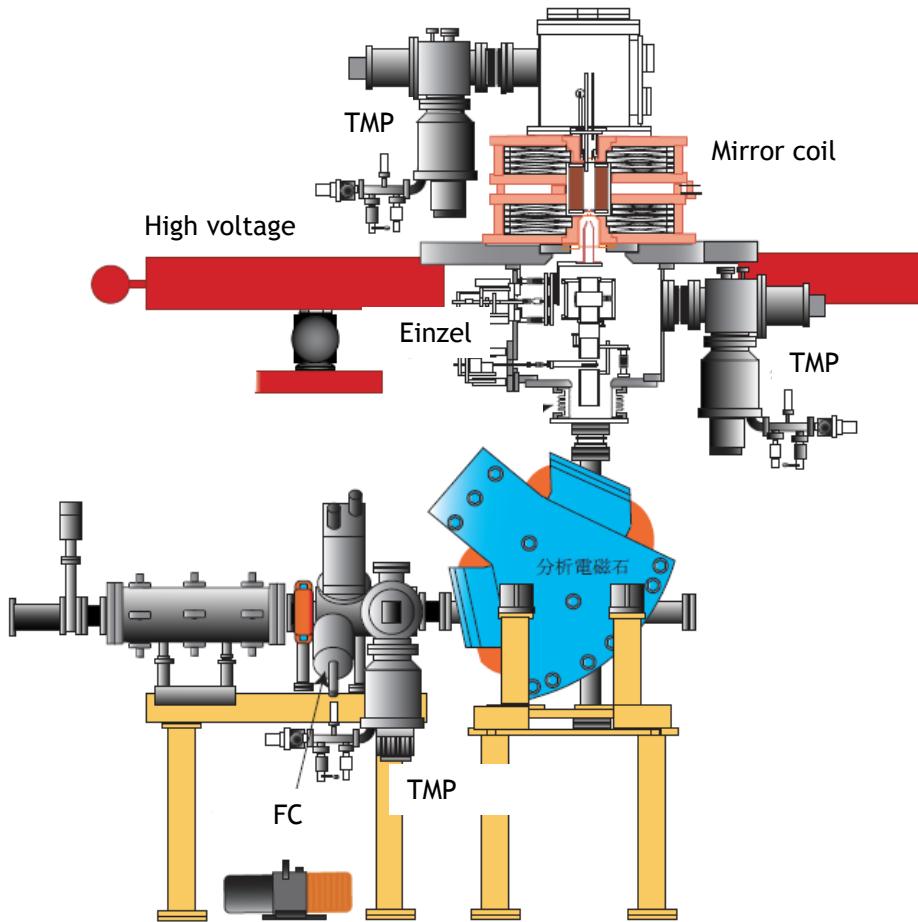


Design concept of compact ECR ion source for medical facility

1. Enough C^{5+} intensity for medical use
2. Long lifetime and good stability
3. Easy operation and easy maintenance
4. Compactness

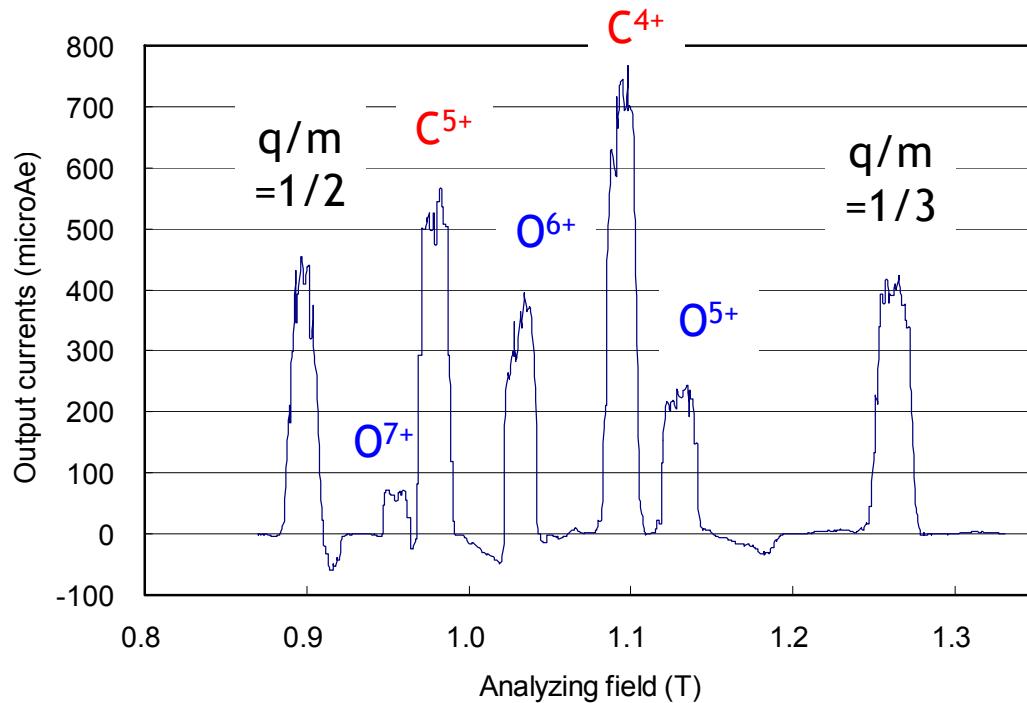
Requirement values of ion source for medical facility

1. Beam intensity: $300 \text{ e}\mu\text{A}$, C^{5+}
2. Emittance: $1.0 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$ (normalized)
3. Lifetime: one year
4. Stability: less than 10% (beam fluctuation)



KPA: 18 GHz, 1400 W
TWTA: 17.10 - 18.55, 1200 W
Extraction voltage : 60 kV max.

18 GHz operation for Carbon ions

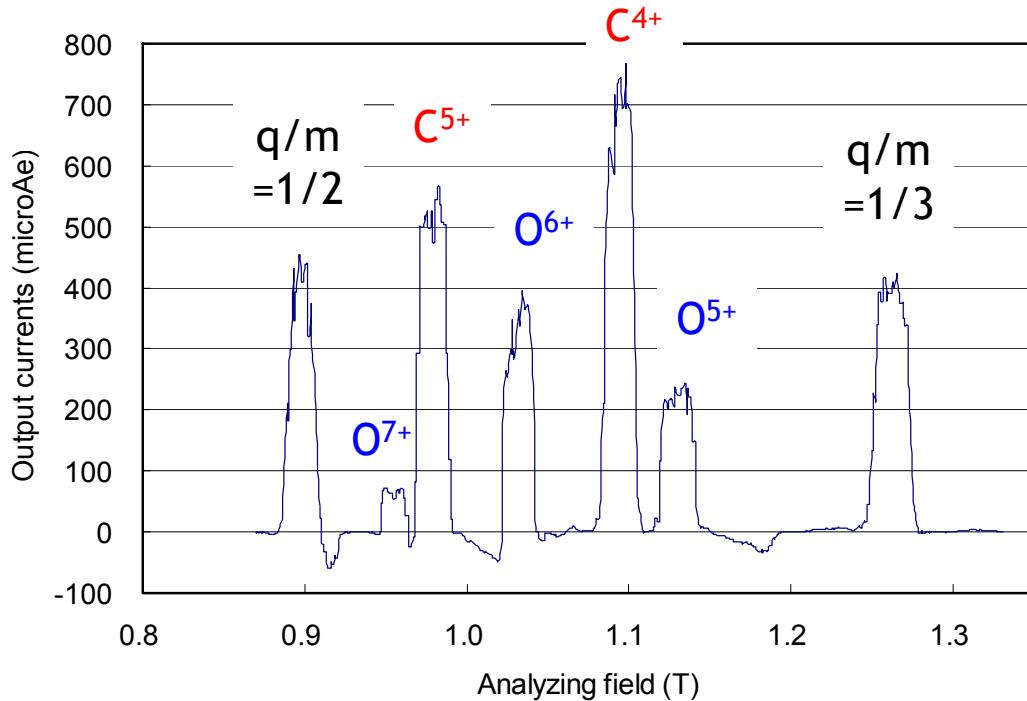


Operation parameters
optimized C^{5+} at after-grow

$t_{mw} = 20\text{ms}$
 $f_1 = 18.00\text{GHz}, P_1 = 1050\text{W}$
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 $B_{inj} = 1.21\text{T}, B_{ext} = 0.72\text{T}$
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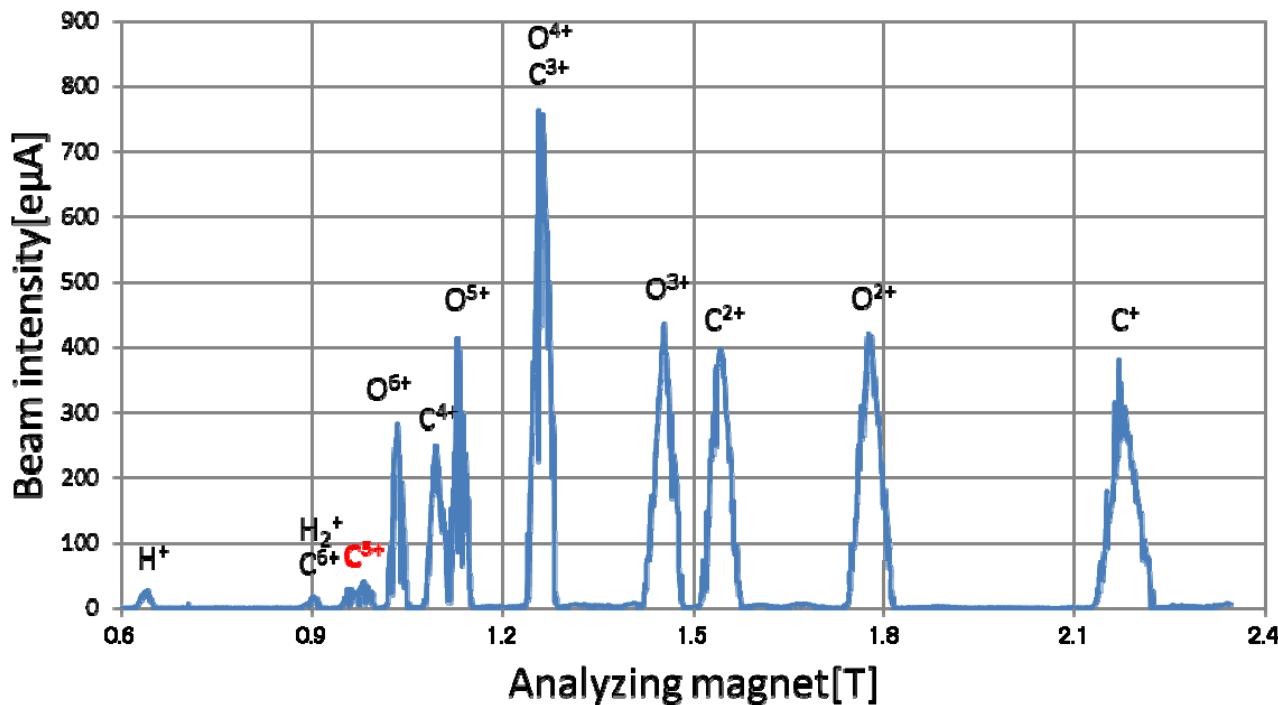
Optimization of the mirror field for C^{5+} production at 18 GHz NIRS-HEC

Operation parameters



- Gas (CO_2 , CH_4)
- Microwave frequency: 14 - 15.02 GHz
- Microwave power: 5 - 300 W
- Upstream coil current : 610 - 840 A
- Downstream coil current : 360 - 660 A
- Microwave Operation mode : pulse, 2.4 Hz, 10 msec
- Extraction voltage: 30 kV

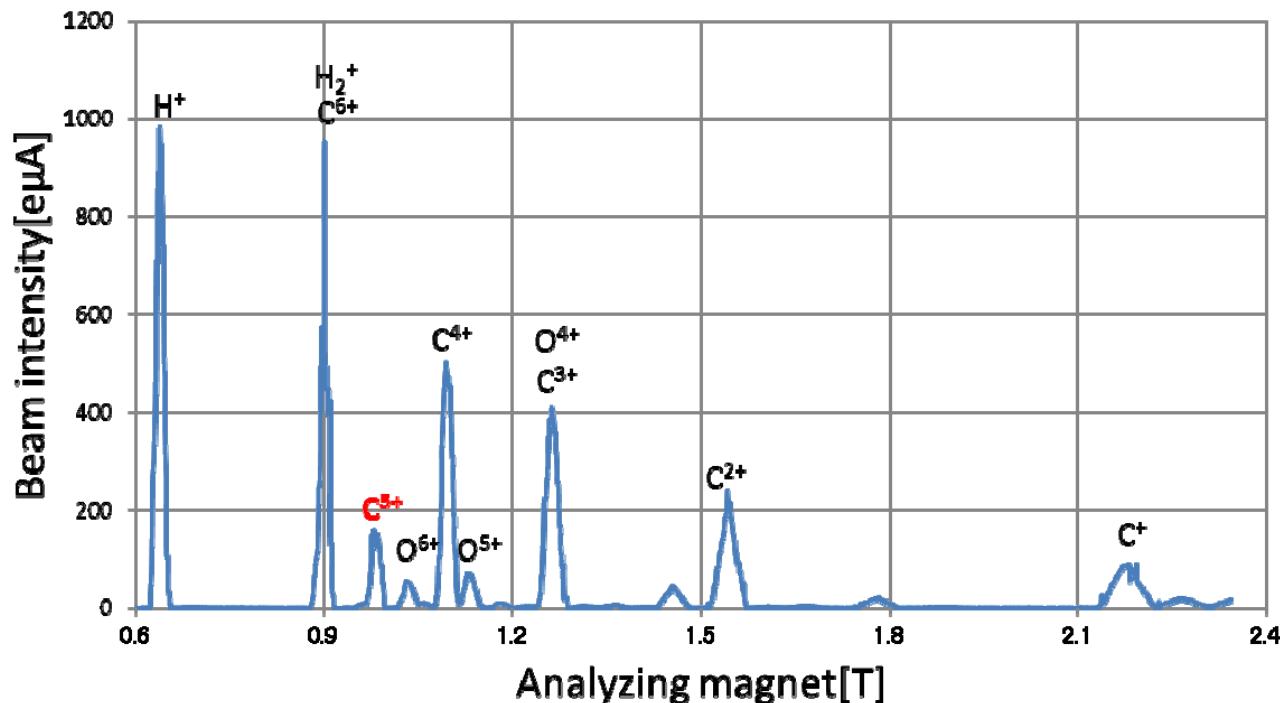
Charge state distribution (CO_2)



Gas: CO_2
 Vacuum pressure (inj): 7.4E-5 Pa
 Vacuum pressure (ext): 5.2E-5 Pa
 Microwave : 14.6 GHz, 300 W
 Operation mode:
 pulse, 2.4 Hz, 10 msec
 Upstream coil: 840 A
 Downstream coil: 530 A
 Disk voltage: -800 V
 Extraction voltage : 30 kV

36 e μ A @ C^5+

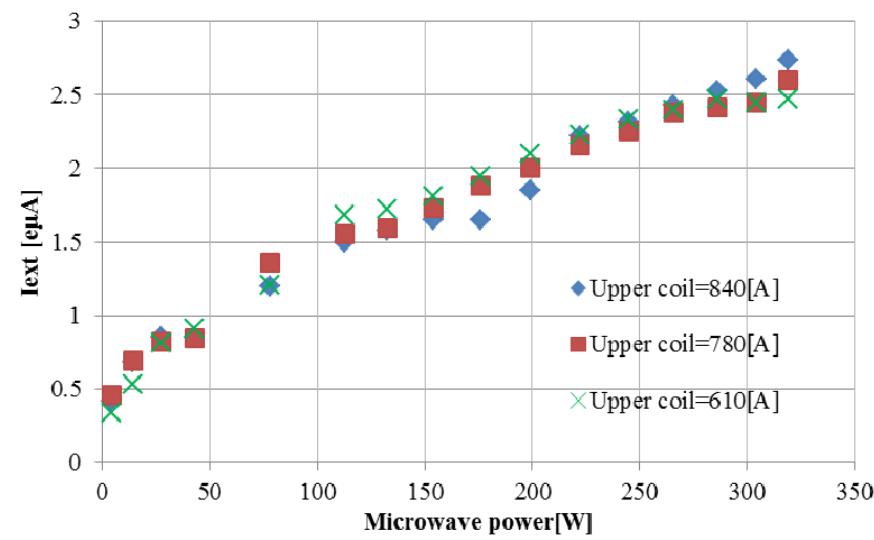
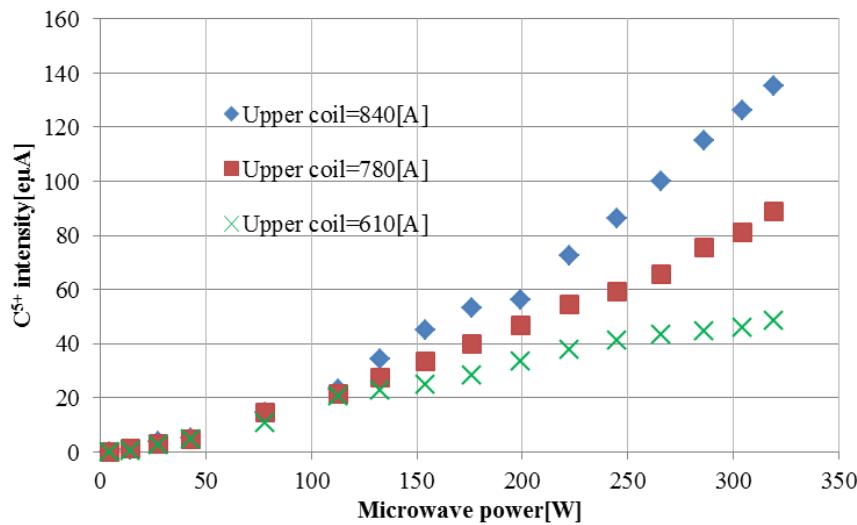
Charge state distribution (CH_4)



Gas: CH_4
 Vacuum pressure (inj): 8.7E-5 Pa
 Vacuum pressure (ext): 6.5E-5 Pa
 Microwave : 14.6 GHz, 300 W
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 Upstream coil: 840 A
 Downstream coil: 500 A
 Disk voltage: -550 V
 Extraction voltage : 30 kV

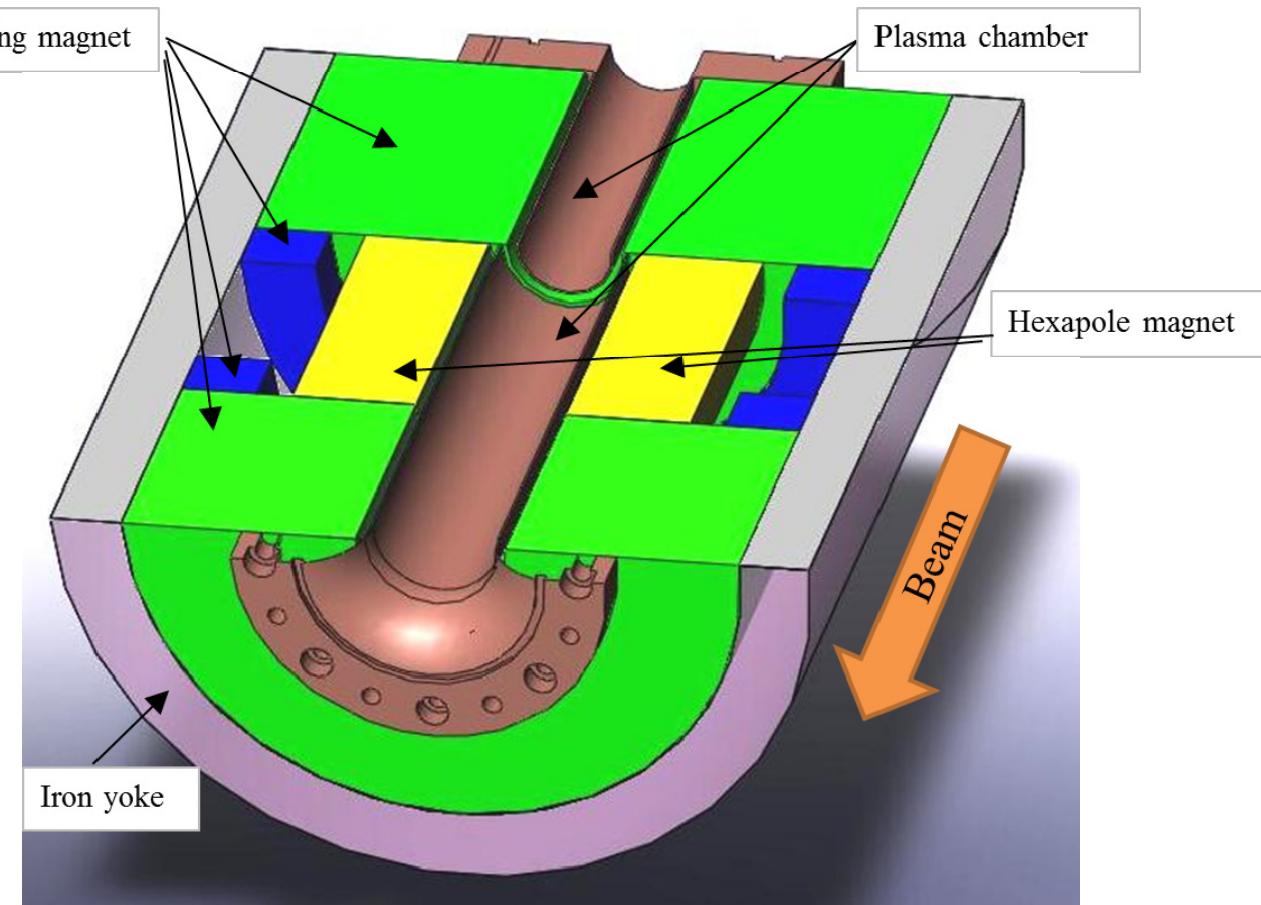
160 $e\mu\text{A}$ @ C^{5+}

Microwave power dependence



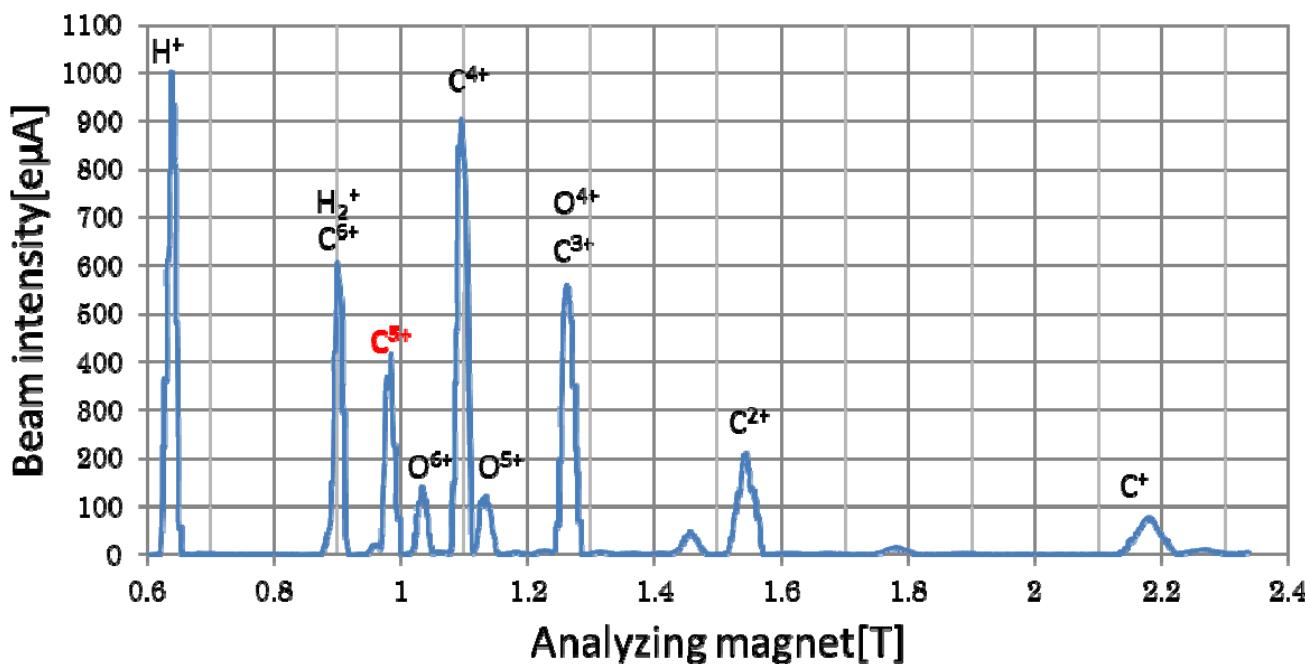
Higher magnetic field is better for C^{5+} production
 Not enough microwave power (300 W)
 We have to take other dependences under the high power.
 ->14.0 - 14.5 GHz, 600 W, TWTA

Design of permanent magnets



Coil current of 840(inj), 500(ext) A

Charge state distribution (C_4H_{10})



Gas: C_4H_{10}
 Vacuum pressure (inj): 1.3E-4 Pa
 Vacuum pressure (ext): 5.3E-5 Pa

Microwave : 18.0 GHz, 1050 W
 Operation mode:
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 Upstream coil: 840 A
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 Disk voltage: -600 V
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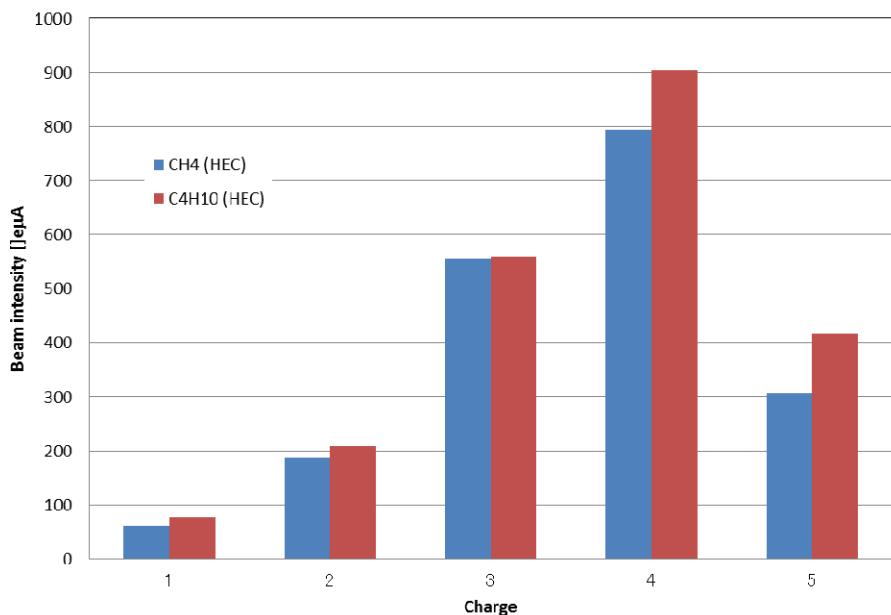
410 e μ A @ C $^{5+}$

CSD and mean charge (18 GHz)

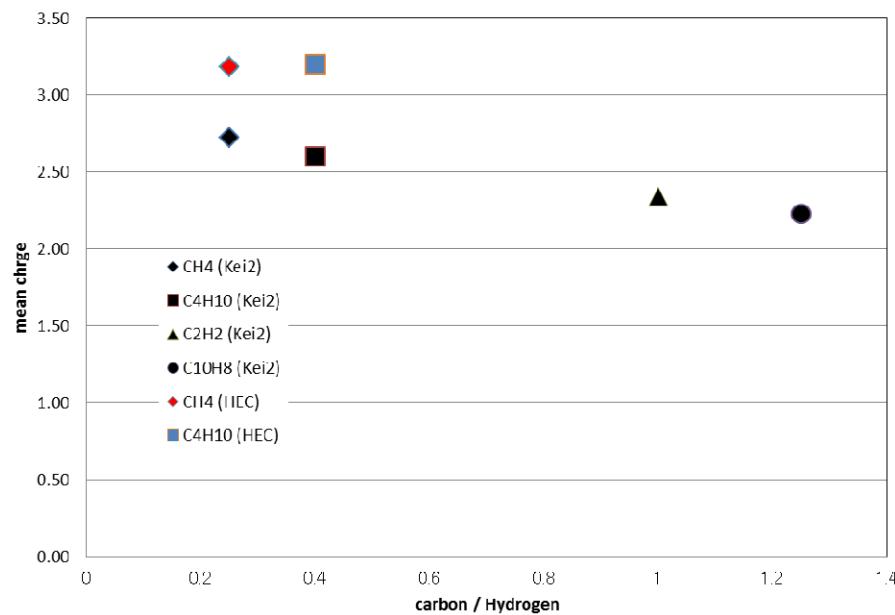
CH_4 is used for medical use at C-ion RT facility
 $\rightarrow \text{C}_4\text{H}_{10}$



CSD of carbon



Mean charge



Conclusion and next step



Conclusion

- Beam intensity was 160 e μ A (14.6 GHz, 300 W, CH₄)
- Microwave power of 300 W was not enough
- Maximum intensity of C⁵⁺ was 410 e μ A (18 GHz, 1050 W, C₄H₁₀)

Next step

- Same dependences at higher microwave power (next week)
- Design of permanent magnet
- Long run test (C₄H₁₀ at Kei2)
- Other gas (C₂H₂)



Thank you



Design of the mirror field for C⁴⁺ production



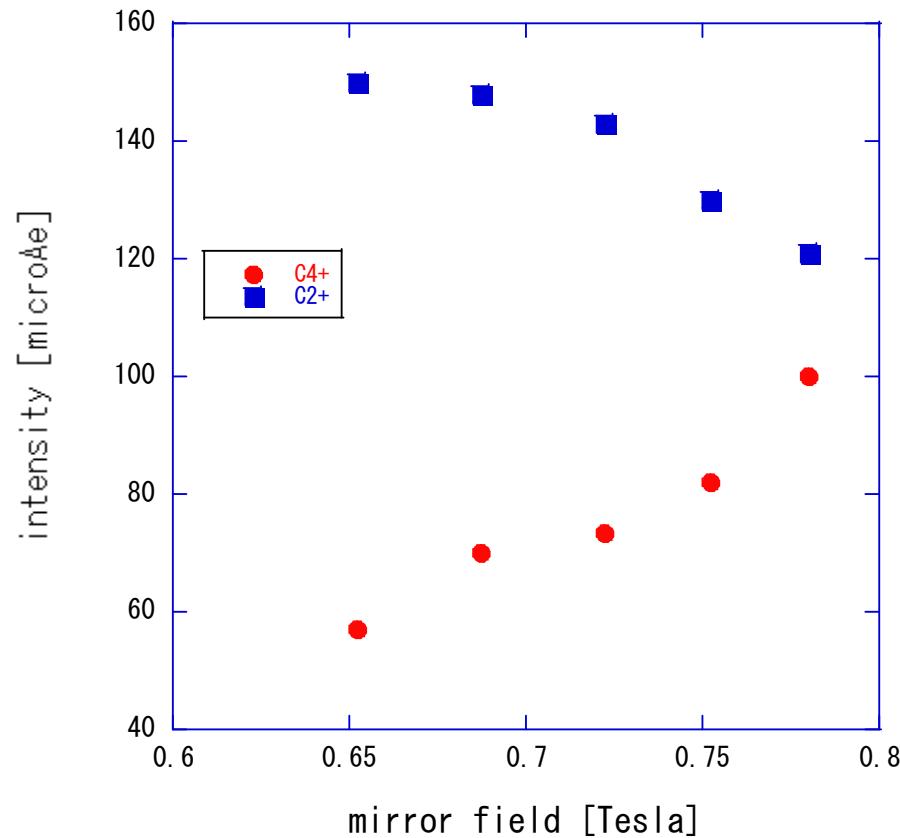
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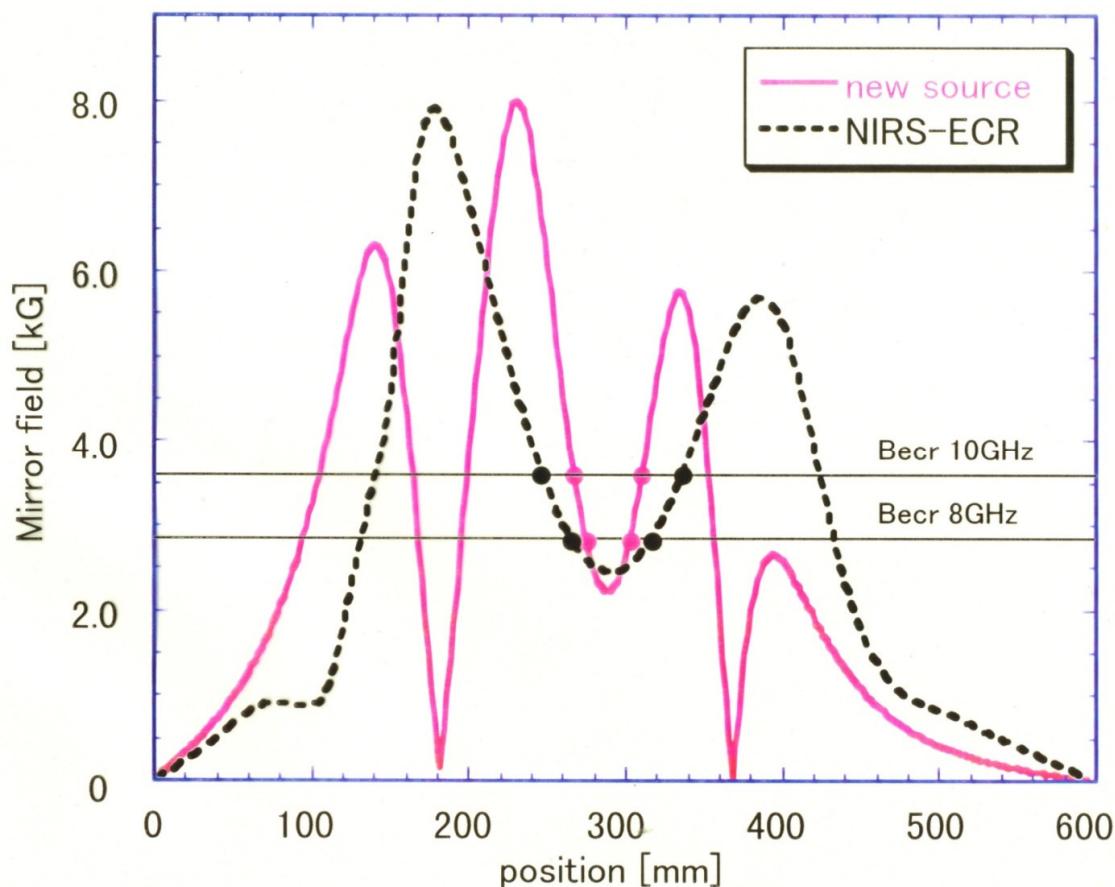
Gas : CH₄

RF : 10 GHz, 300 W

Extraction voltage : 22 kV



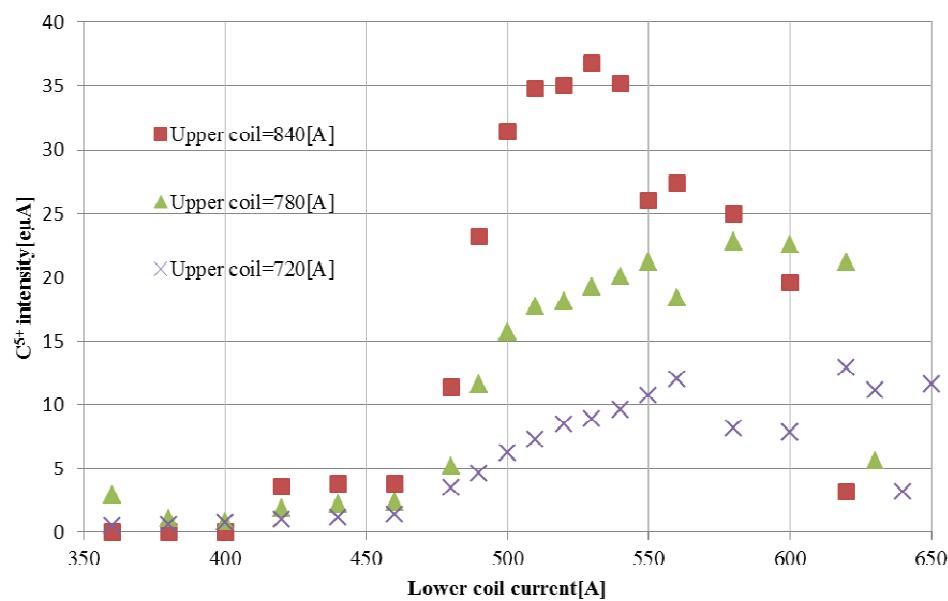
Mirror field for Kei2



Mirror field dependence

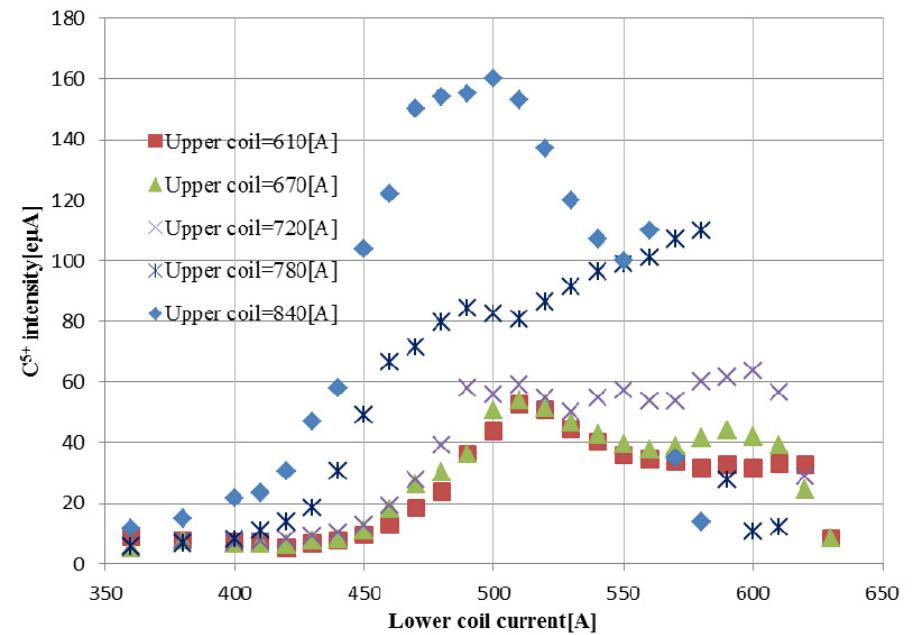


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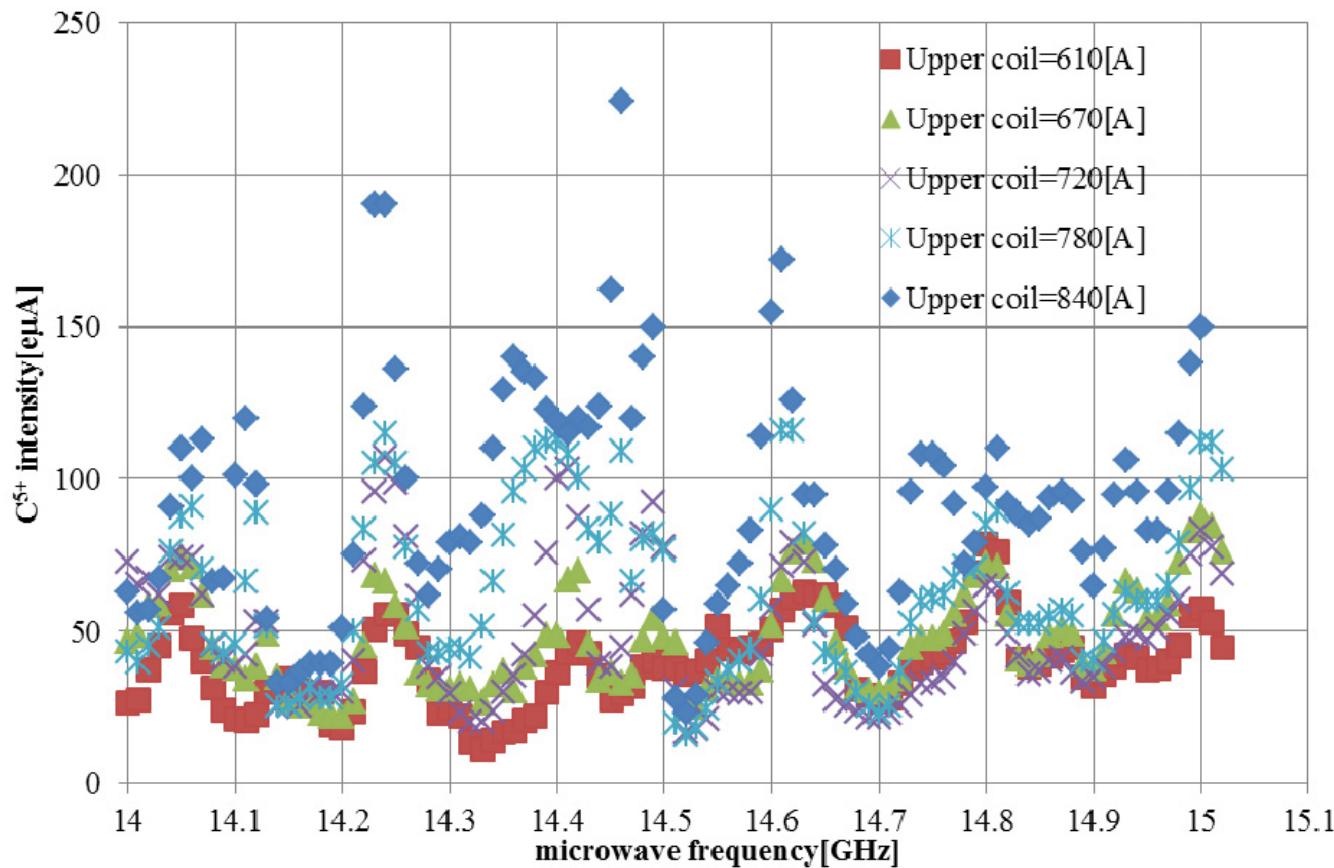
840 A and 530 A

CH_4



840 A and 500 A

Microwave frequency dependence



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