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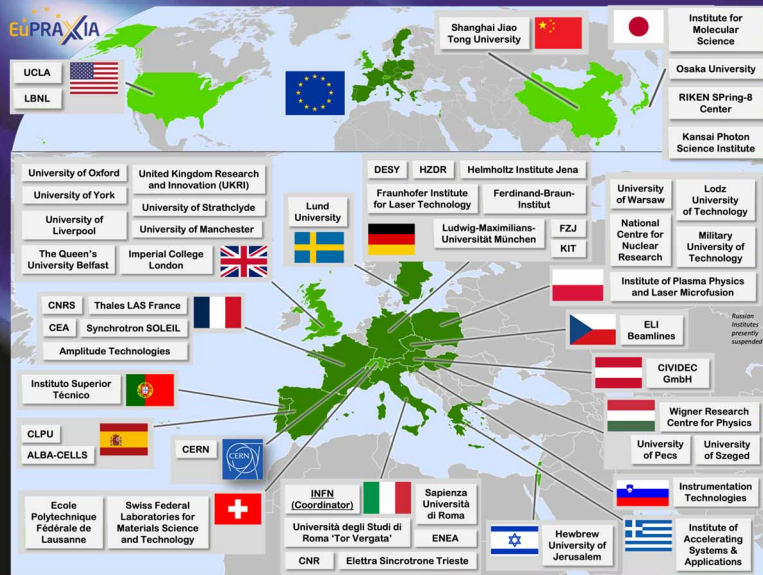
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# EuPRAXIA: The First FEL User Facility Driven by a Plasma Accelerator

R. Assmann, INFN

Future Light Sources (FLS) Workshop

Luzern, Switzerland, 28 Aug 2023

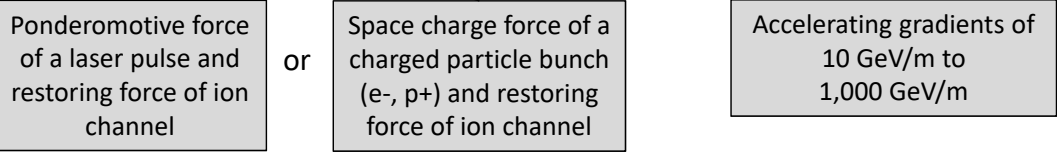


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Overcome high-field limitations of metallic walls with dynamic plasma structures (undestructible)

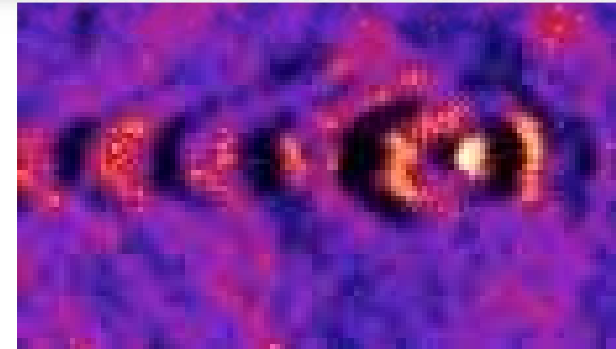
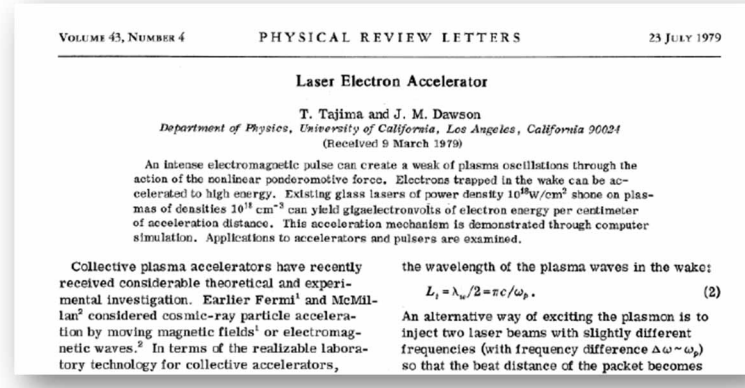
New **idea in 1979 by Tajima and Dawson**: Wakefields inside a homogenous plasma can convert

**transverse forces** into **longitudinal accelerating fields**



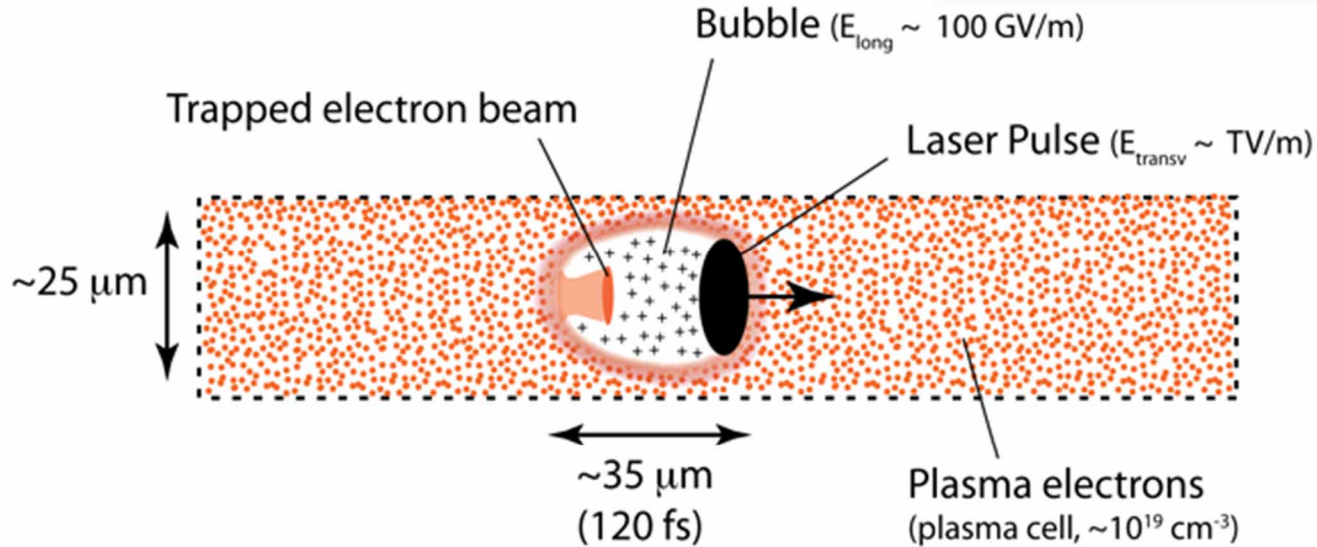
Options for driving wakefields:

- **Lasers:** Industrially available, steep progress, path to low cost  
Limited energy per drive pulse (up to **50 J**)
- **Electron bunch:** Short bunches (need  $\mu\text{m}$ ) available, need long RF accelerator  
More energy per drive pulse (up to **500 J**)
- **Proton bunch:** Only long (inefficient) bunches, need very long RF accelerator  
Maximum energy per drive pulse (up to **100,000 J**)



Courtesy M. Kaluza

This accelerator fits into a human hair



Like wakes left behind by a boat in water



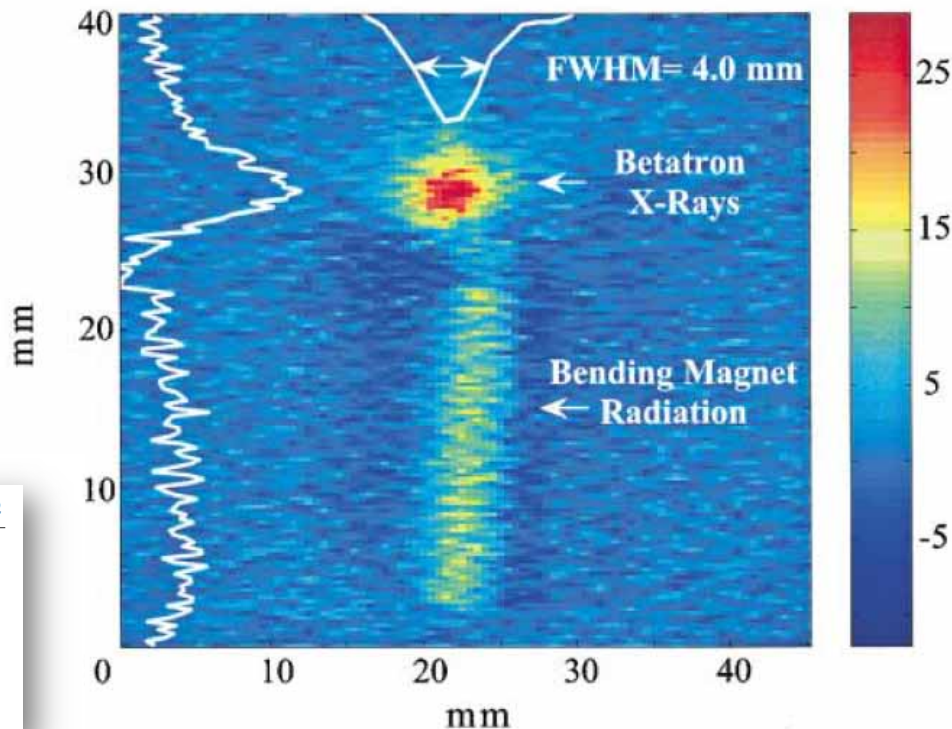
*Wiggling electrons emit X rays → a plasma accelerator as accelerator and undulator at once*

Electrons travel in the ion channel of the plasma accelerator:

→ experience ultra-strong transverse focusing forces, they oscillate and **emit photons**

Can enhance with beta mismatch oscillations of the beam size or offsets.

We studied this in 2002 at SLAC.



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1 APRIL 2002

### X-Ray Emission from Betatron Motion in a Plasma Wiggler

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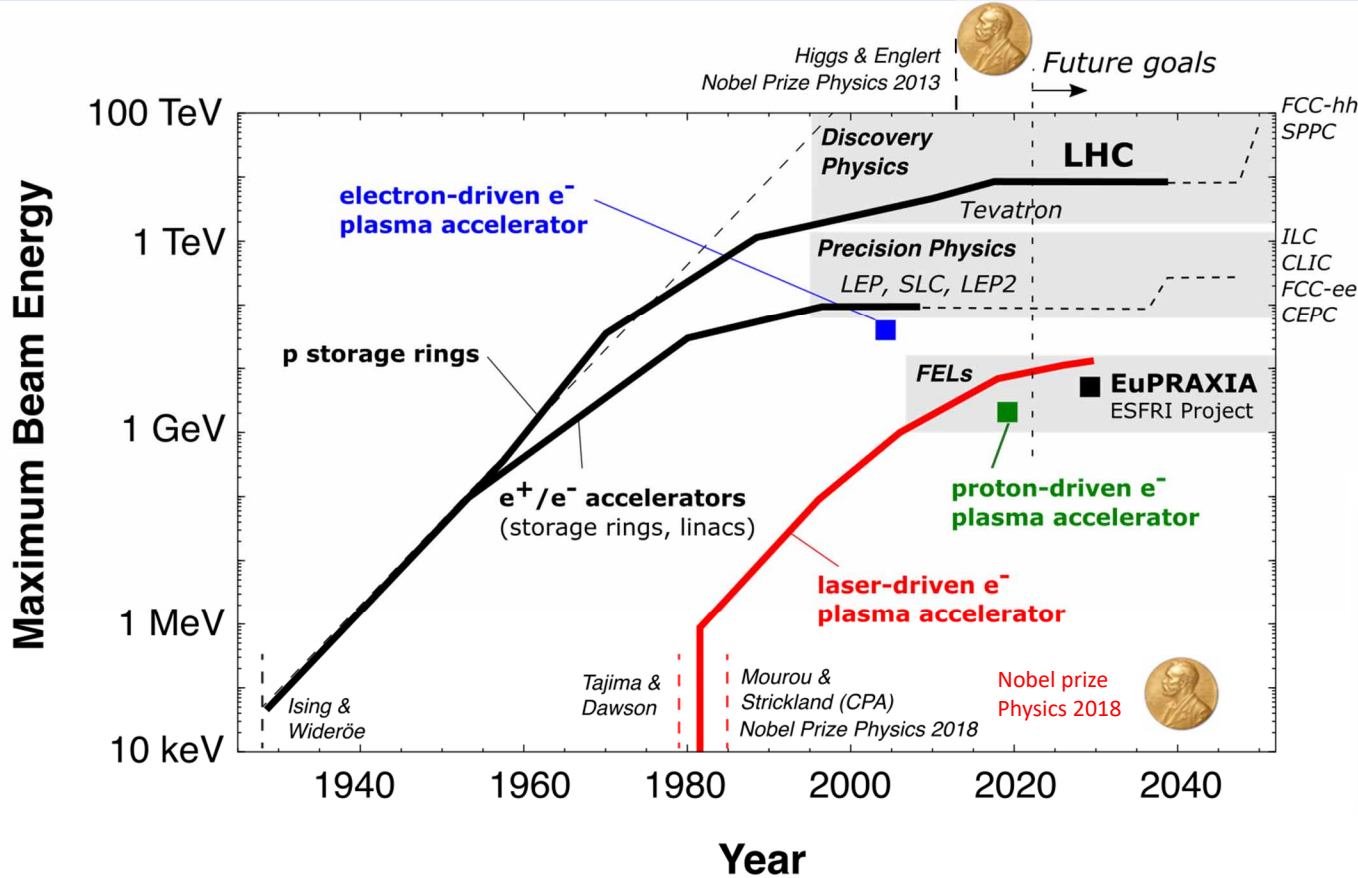
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**42 GeV**      **85 GeV**

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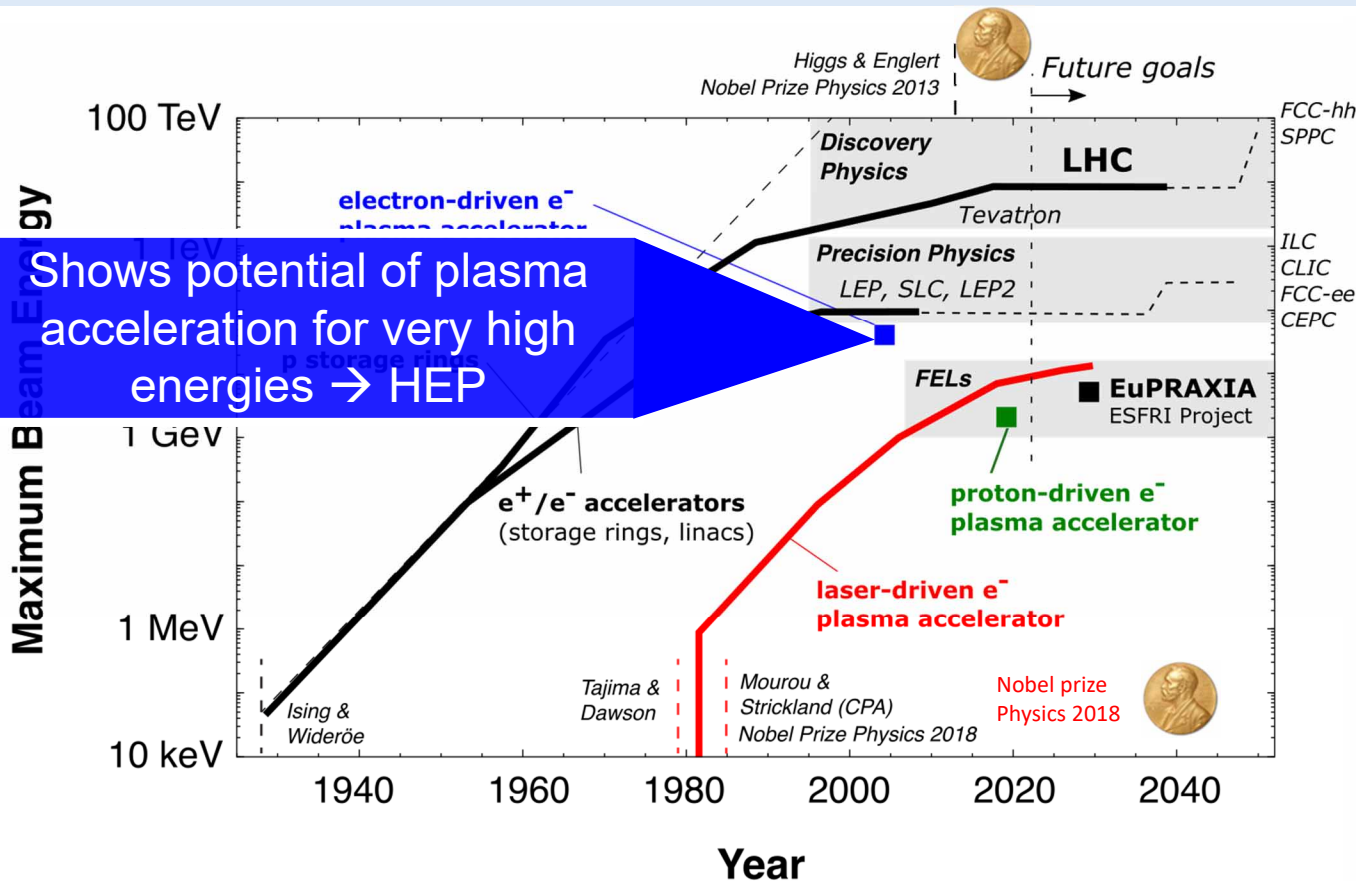
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High energy laser guiding

High energy electron beams: up to 8 GeV

LBNL and collaborators  
Gonsalves et al, PRL 122, 084801 (2019)



Shows potential of plasma acceleration for very high energies  $\rightarrow$  HEP

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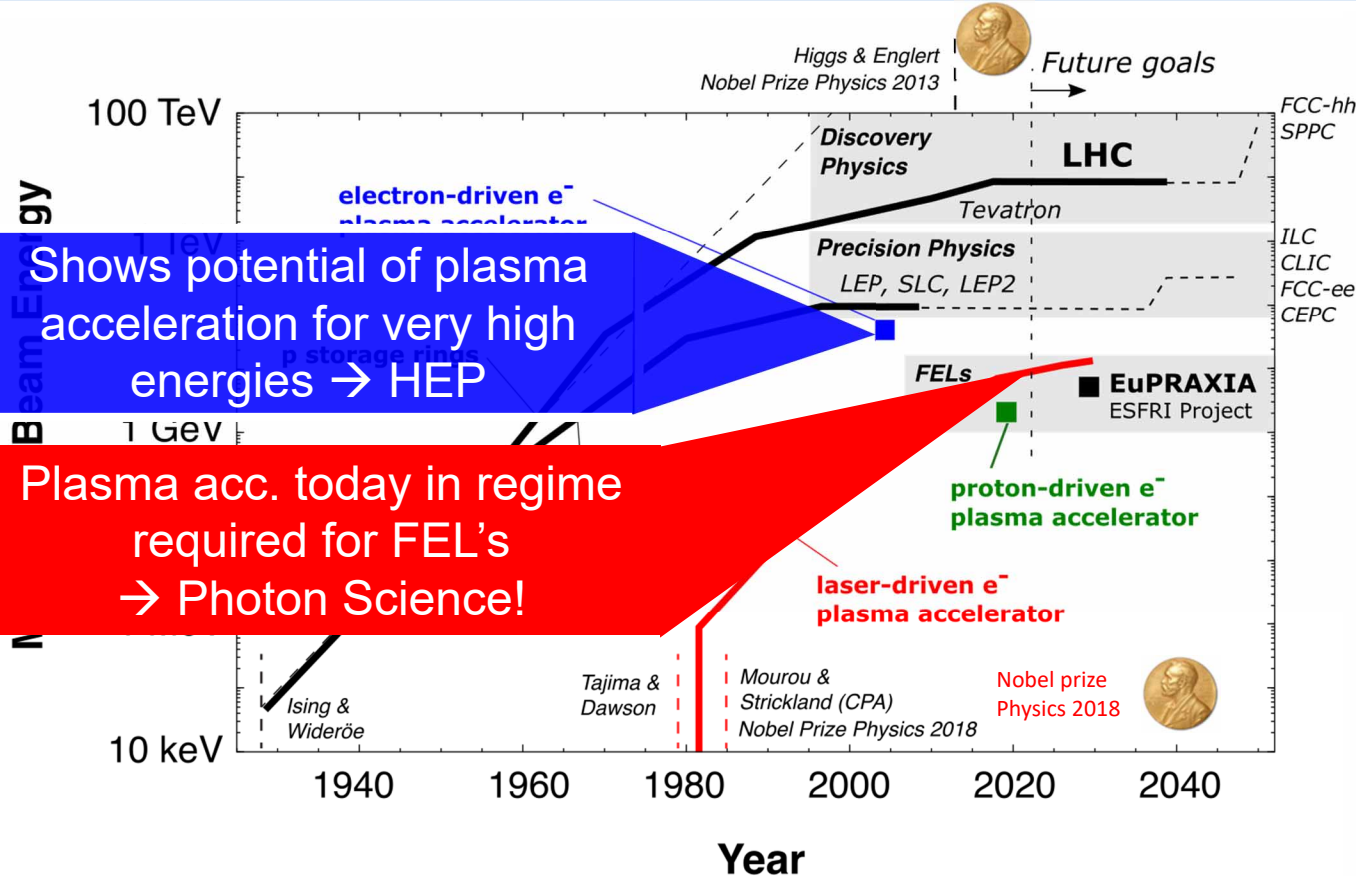
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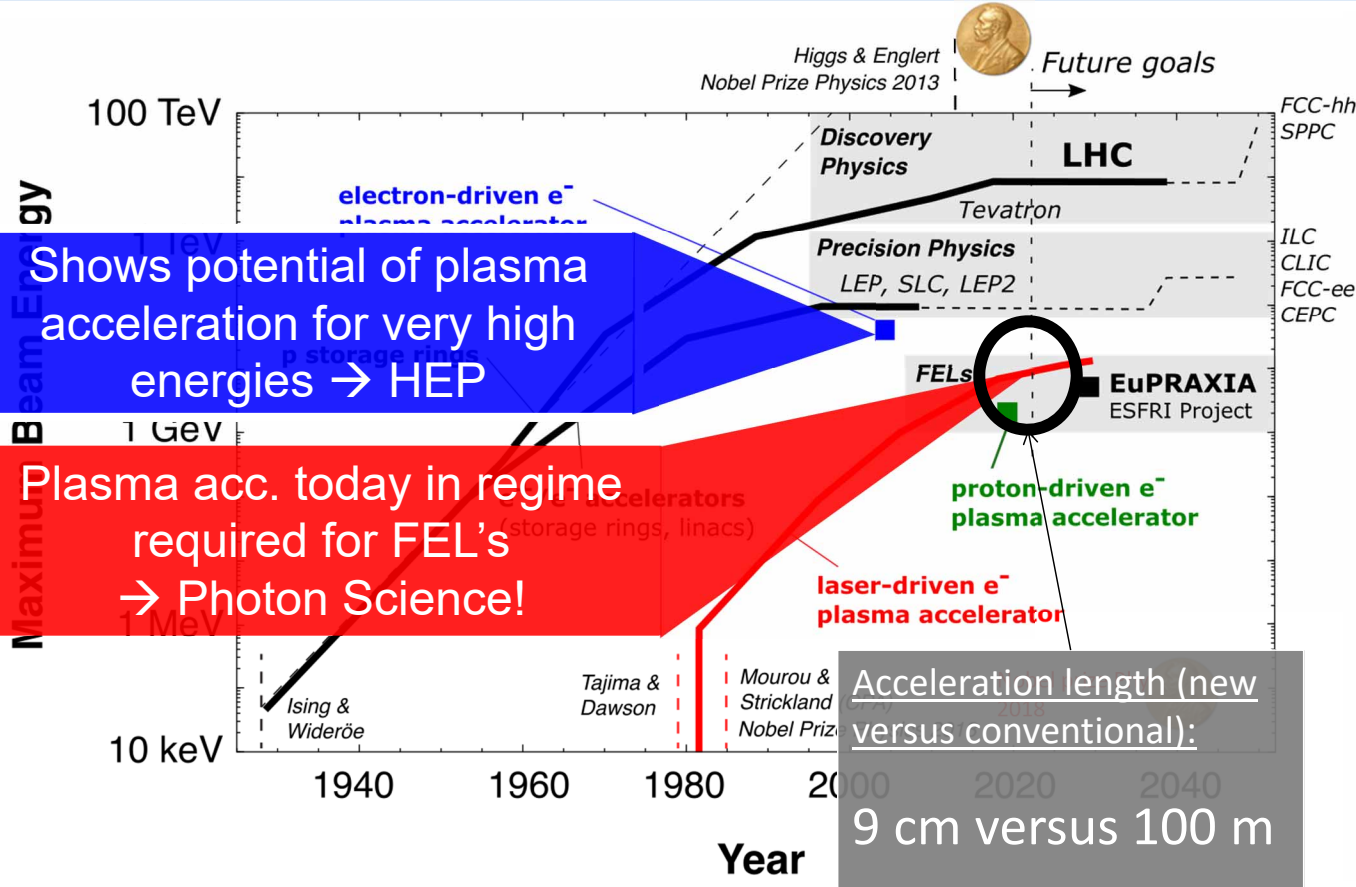
Made at capillary exit (after after focus)

Made at capillary exit without plasma channel

Laser focus without capillary (Drift tubes)

A.J. Gonsalves et al, PRL, accepted

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2021:  
LWFA  
FEL  
Shanghai,  
China  
Nature

**2021 Plasma FEL Feasibility Proven: Laser-driven**

Recent ground-breaking result in China

500 MeV electron beam from a laser wakefield accelerator

FEL lasing **amplification of 100** reached at 27 nm wavelength (average radiation energy 70 nJ, peak up to 150 nJ)

W. T. Wang, K. Feng, *et al.*, *Nature*, 595, 561 (2021).

2021:  
PWFA  
FEL  
LNF/INFN  
Italy  
Nature

**2021 Plasma FEL Feasibility Proven: Electron-driven**

Recent ground-breaking results in Frascati:  
**First FEL lasing from a beam-driven plasma accelerator**

Pompili *et al.*, *Nature* 605, 659–662 (2022)

Single Spike SASE spectrum

2021:  
PWFA  
seeded  
FEL  
LNF/INFN  
Italy  
PRL

**First Beam Driven SEEDED - FEL Lasing at SPARC\_LAB (June 2021)**

~1 uJ (SEED)  
~30 nJ (SASE)

Stable Operation of a Free-Electron Laser Driven by a Plasma Accelerator

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**Seeded FEL radiation**

- ✓ Pulse energy increased 2 order of magnitude respect to SASE radiation
- ✓ 6% pulse energy RMS fluctuations over 90% of successful shot respect to 17% over 30% of shot for SASE

2022:  
LWFA  
seeded  
FEL  
HZDR,  
Soleil, ...  
Germany  
France  
Nat.  
Phot.

**Seeded UV free-electron laser driven by LWFA**

Collaboration Soleil/HZ Dresden, published on *Nat. Photon.* (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41566-022-01104-w>

III: FEL  
IV: Isolated FEL

FIG. 1. Experimental layout. The electron beam generated in the LPA is first characterized using a removable electron spectrometer and then sent through a triplet of quadrupoles (QUAPENS) for beam transport to the undulator and FEL radiation generation. ICTs: Integrated Current Transformers. Non-labeled electronic dipoles (red blocks), optical lenses (blue), mirrors (gray curved black disks). Inset a: Particle-in-Cell simulation renders of the accelerating structure driven by the laser pulse (red), the electron cavity shot formed from the plasma medium (right blue) is visible in purple and the accelerated electron bunch visible in green. Inset b-c-d: Electron beam transverse distribution measured at LPA exit (b), at undulator entrance (c) and at undulator exit (d).

- 1<sup>st</sup> ever design of a **plasma accelerator facility**. 1<sup>st</sup> ESFRI plasma acc. project. 1<sup>st</sup> ESFRI acc. project since 2016.
- **Conceptual Design Report for a distributed research infrastructure** funded by EU Horizon2020 program. Completed by 16+25 institutes.
- Challenges addressed by EuPRAXIA since 2015:
  - **Can plasma accelerators produce usable electron beams?**
  - **For what can we use those beams**
- Next phase consortium: > **50 institutes**
- Preparatory Phase project: **2022 – 2026** (ongoing)
- Start of 1<sup>st</sup> operation: **2028**

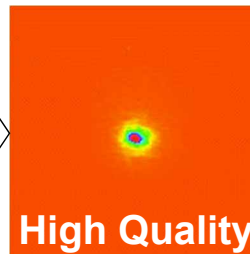
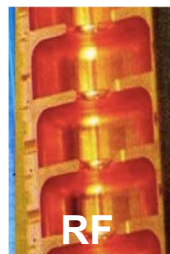
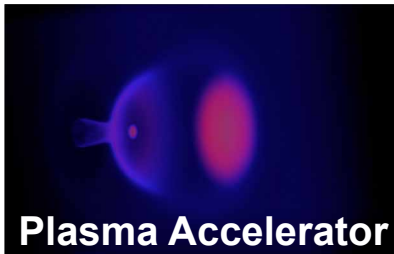
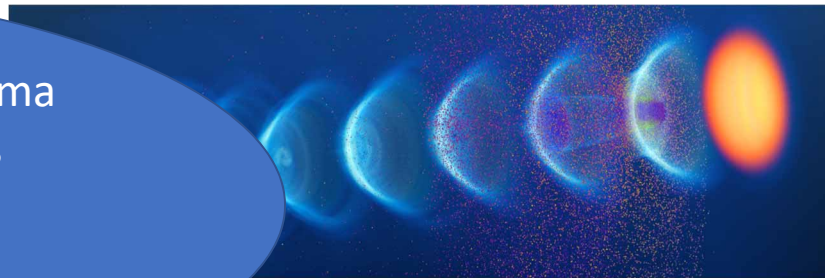


**600+ page CDR, 240 scientists contributed**

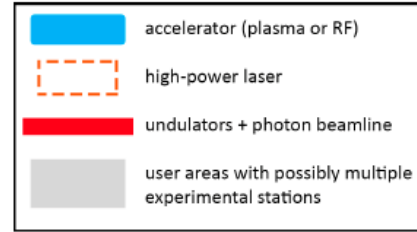
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Building a facility with very high field plasma accelerators, driven by lasers or beams  
1 – 100 GV/m accelerating field

Shrink down the facility size



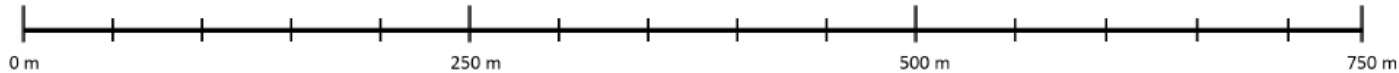
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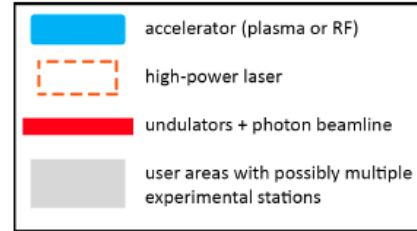


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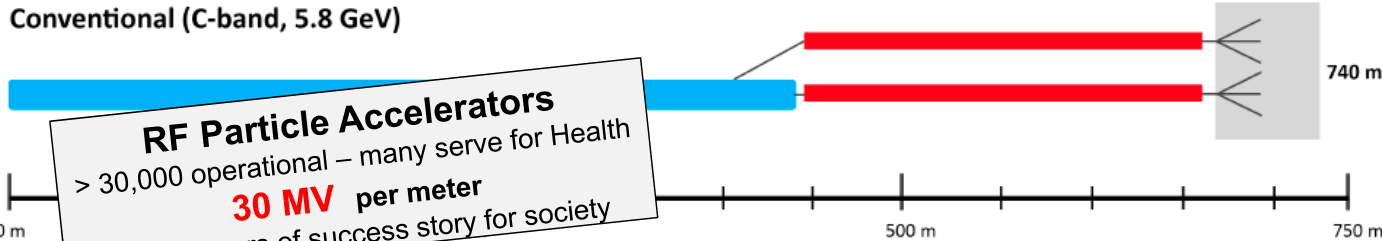




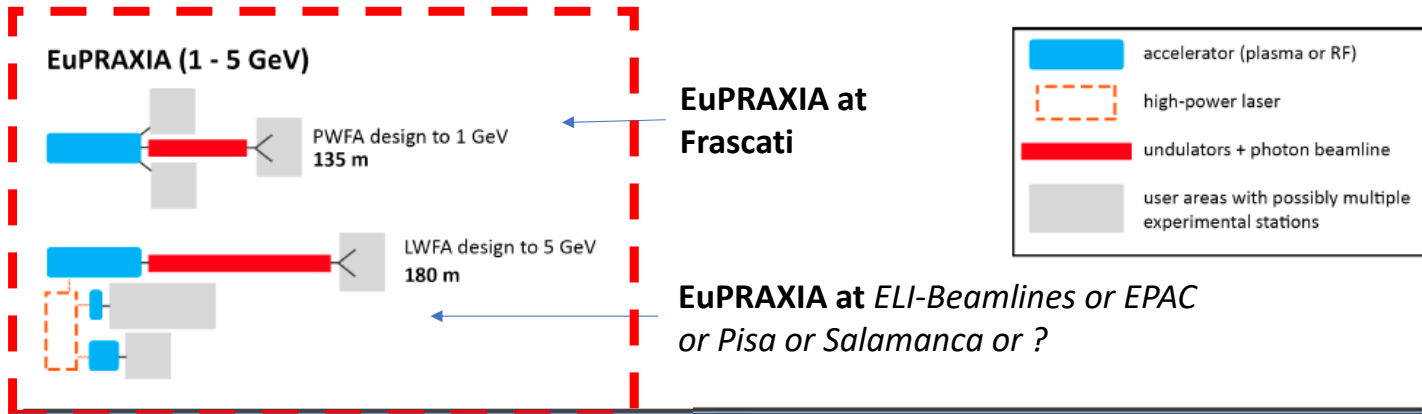
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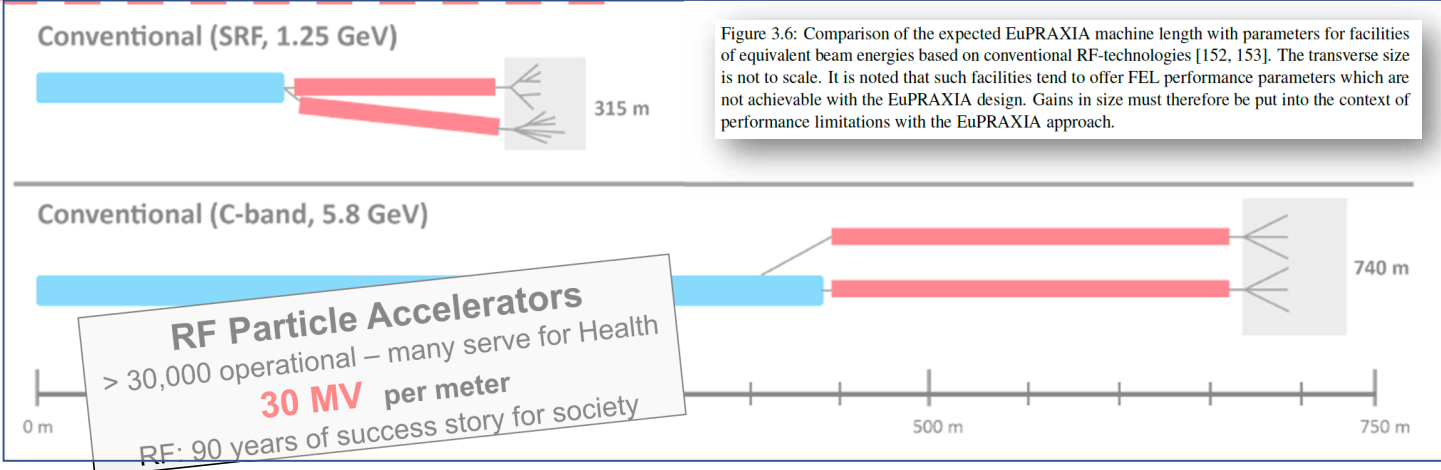


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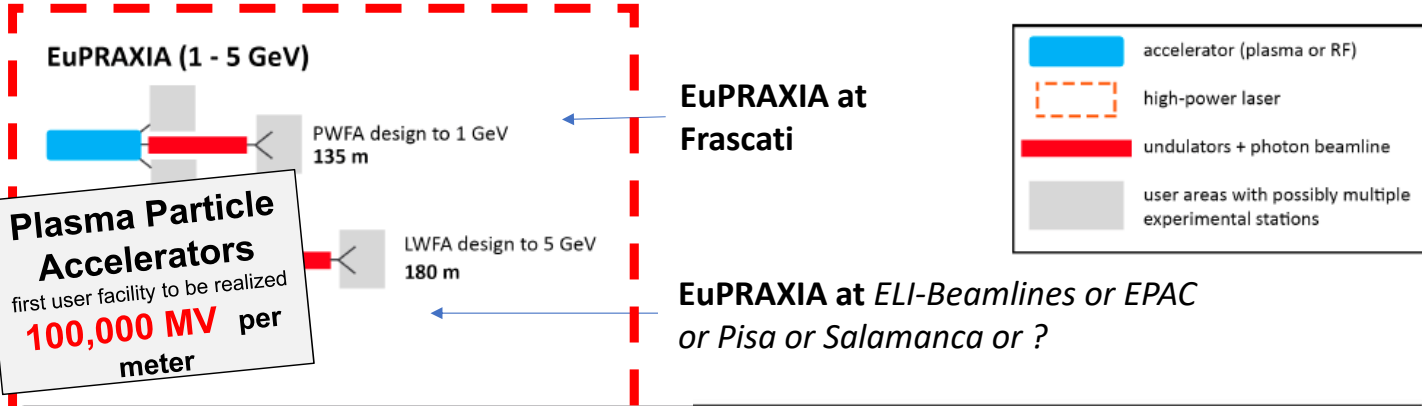
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- **2 Construction Sites**
- Several Excellence Centers

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 but also lab space, RF injectors, transfer lines, undulator lines, shielding, ...  
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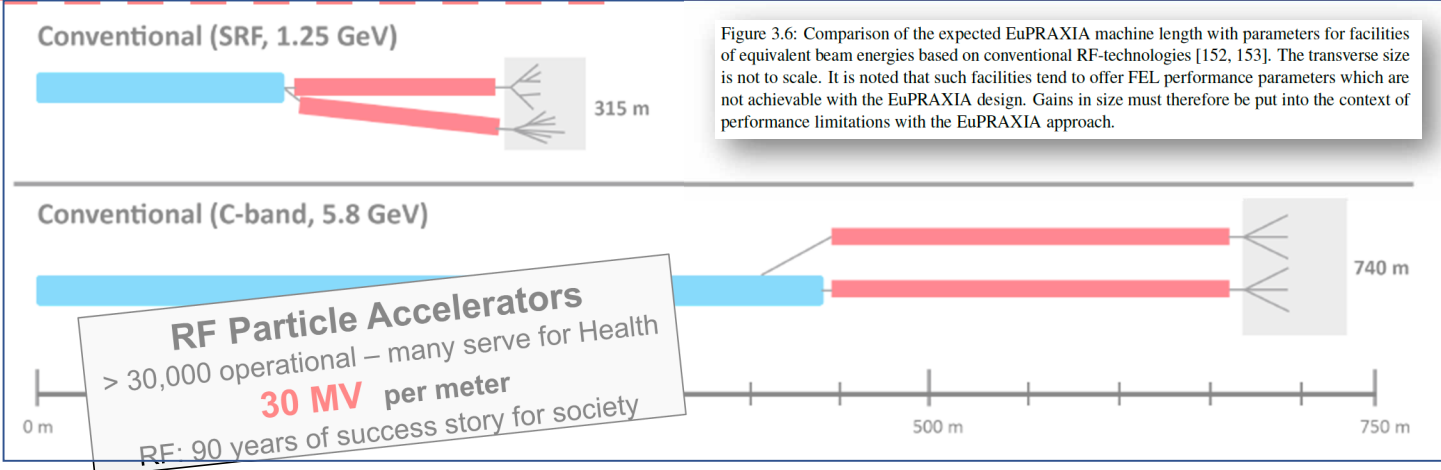
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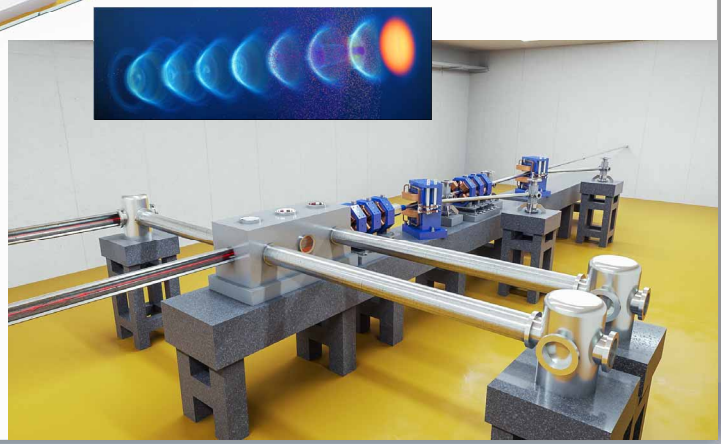


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135 – 175 m



~35 m

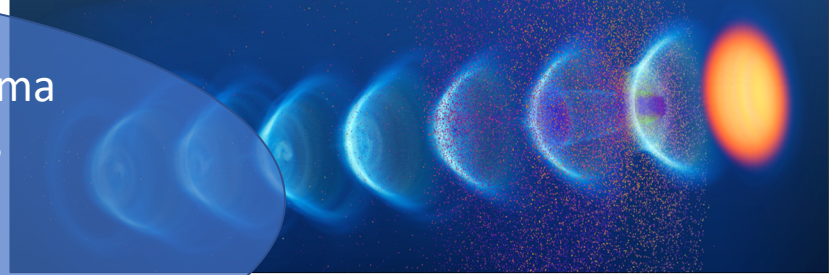




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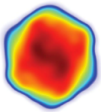
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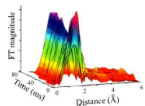


**Experimental techniques and typology of samples**

Coherent imaging



X-ray absorption spectroscopy



Raman spectroscopy

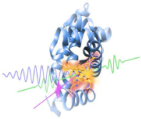
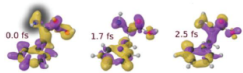


Photo-fragmentation of molecules

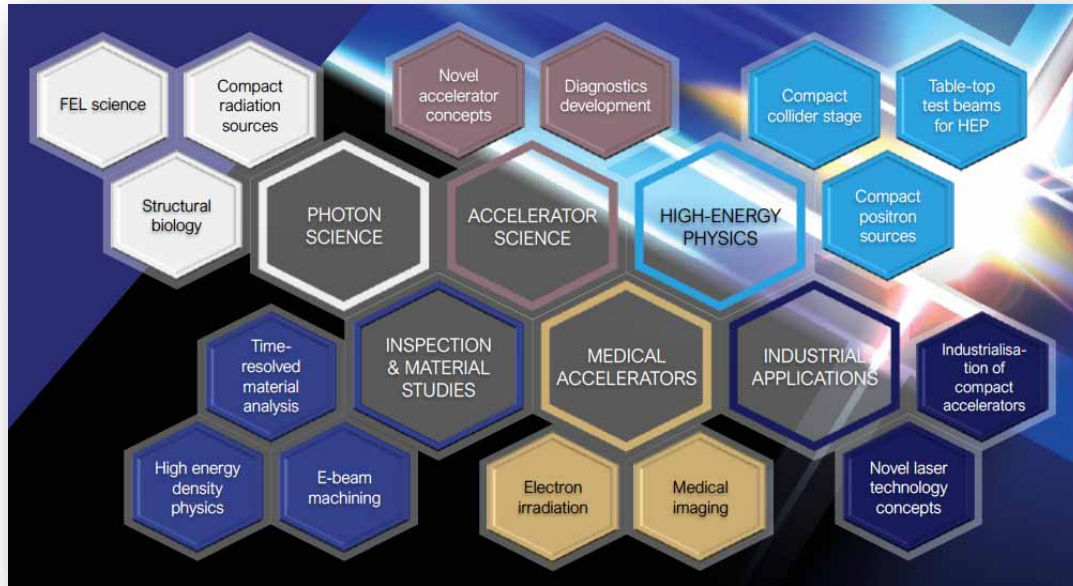


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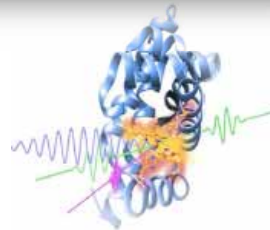
Producing particle and photon pulses to support several urgent and timely science cases

Enable frontier science in new regions and parameter regimes

# Versatile – Designed for Users in Multiple Science Fields



**Topics of research:** proteins, viruses, bacteria, cells, metals, semiconductors, superconductors, magnetic materials, organic molecules



*Delivers 10-100 Hz **ultra-short pulses***

- **Electrons**  
(0.1-5 GeV, 30 pC)
- **Positrons**  
(0.5-10 MeV,  $10^6$ )
- **Positrons** (GeV source)
- **Lasers**  
(100 J, 50 fs, 10-100 Hz)
- **Betatron X rays**  
(1-110 keV,  $10^{10}$ )
- **FEL light**  
(0.2-36 nm,  $10^9$ - $10^{13}$ )

## European Plasma Research Accelerator with eXcellence In Applications

### Solve external timing for laser-driven plasma acc.

External injection into a laser-driven plasma accelerator with sub-femtosecond timing jitter

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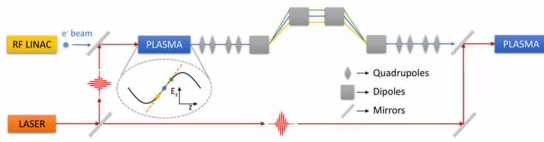


Figure 1. Schematic view of the synchronizing stage.

## European Plasma Research Accelerator with eXcellence In Applications

### Try to finally realize low energy spread...

Old proposal from Simon van der Meer

CERN/PS/85-65 (AA)  
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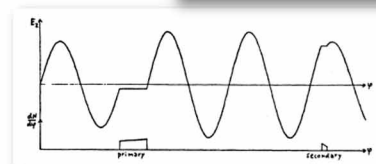
1985 van der Meer



van der Meer: Nobel Prize Physics for invention of stochastic cooling → SppS collider at CERN

IMPROVING THE POWER EFFICIENCY  
OF THE  
PLASMA WAKEFIELD ACCELERATOR

S. van der Meer



## European Plasma Research Accelerator with eXcellence In Applications

### Compact Multi-Stage Plasma-Based Accelerator

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 123, 054801 (2019)

#### Compact Multistage Plasma-Based Accelerator Design for Correlated Energy Spread Compensation

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(Received 20 November 2018; revised manuscript received 10 June 2019; published 31 July 2019)

The extreme electromagnetic fields sustained by plasma-based accelerators could drastically reduce the size and cost of future accelerator facilities. However, they are also an inherent source of correlated energy spread in the produced beams, which severely limits the usability of these devices. We propose here to split the acceleration process into two plasma stages joined by a magnetic chicane in which the energy correlation induced in the first stage is inverted such that it can be naturally compensated in the second. Simulations of a particular 1.5-m-long setup show that 5.5 GeV beams with relative energy spreads of  $1.2 \times 10^{-3}$  (total) and  $2.8 \times 10^{-4}$  (slice) could be achieved while preserving a subpicosecond emittance. This is at least one order of magnitude below the current state of the art and would enable applications such as compact free-electron lasers.

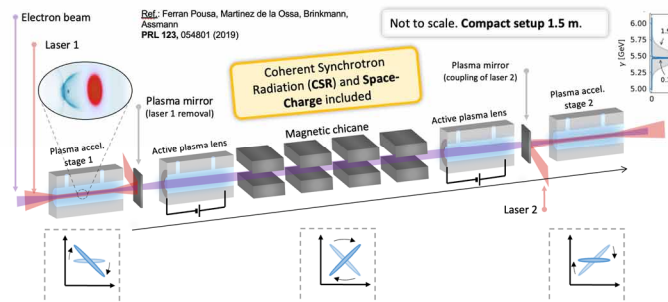
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Combined RF plus optical scheme

- 1.5 m long
- 5.5 GeV
- **0.03% slice energy spread**
- **0.12% total energy spread**
- sub-micron emittance

## European Plasma Research Accelerator with eXcellence In Applications

### Compact Multi-Stage Plasma-Based Accelerator



and many others...

# Why Another Photon Science

**Facility?** (smaller size, lower power, less performance initially)

→ Make it Fit!

→ **Enable Additional Science!**

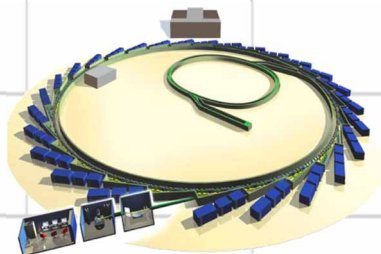
Visible light



Ultraviolet light



Soft X Rays

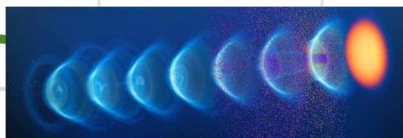


FELs OF EUROPE

Hard X Rays

- Beautiful and highly optimized **masterpieces of science**.
- Go here for **best possible performance**.
- Issue: Only few FEL's can be built due to their size and cost. **Access to beam time is strongly limited.**

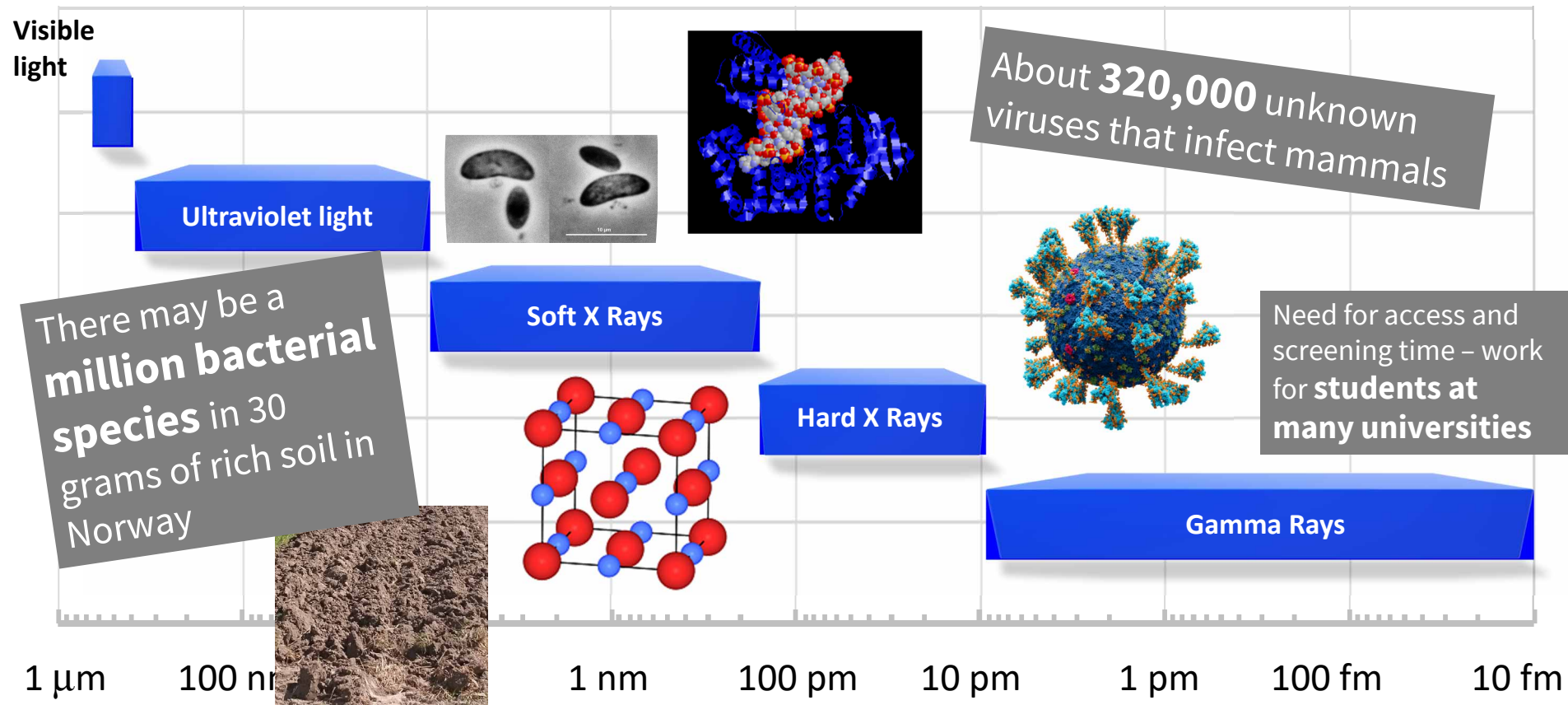
In **addition**: Compact plasma-based FEL's

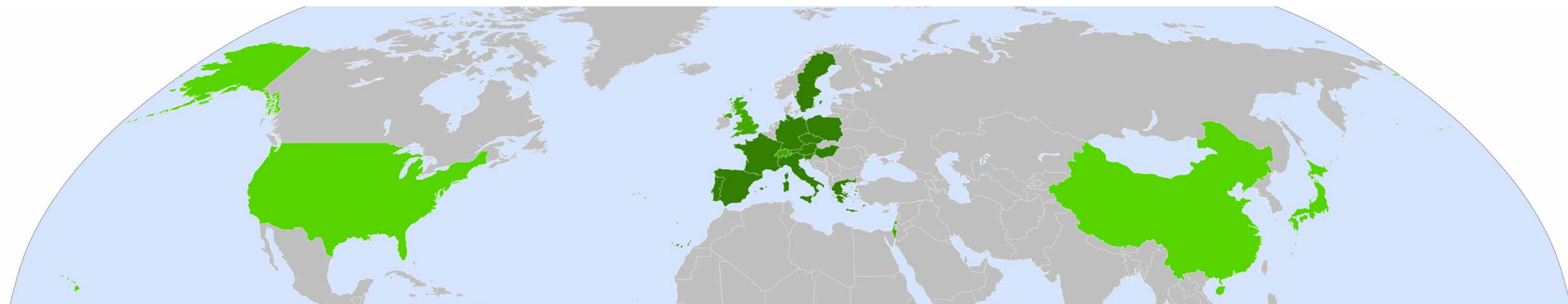


Gamma Rays

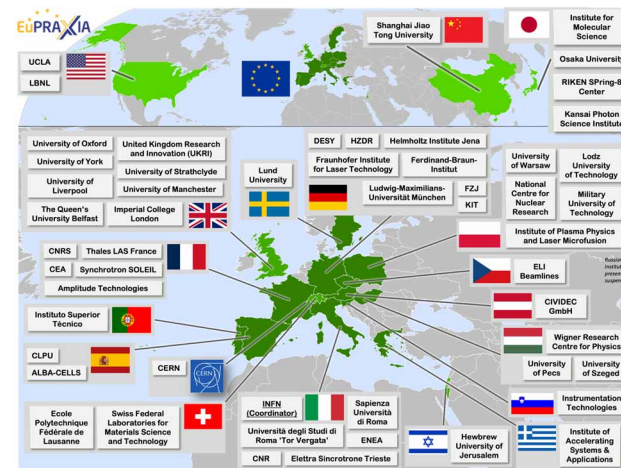


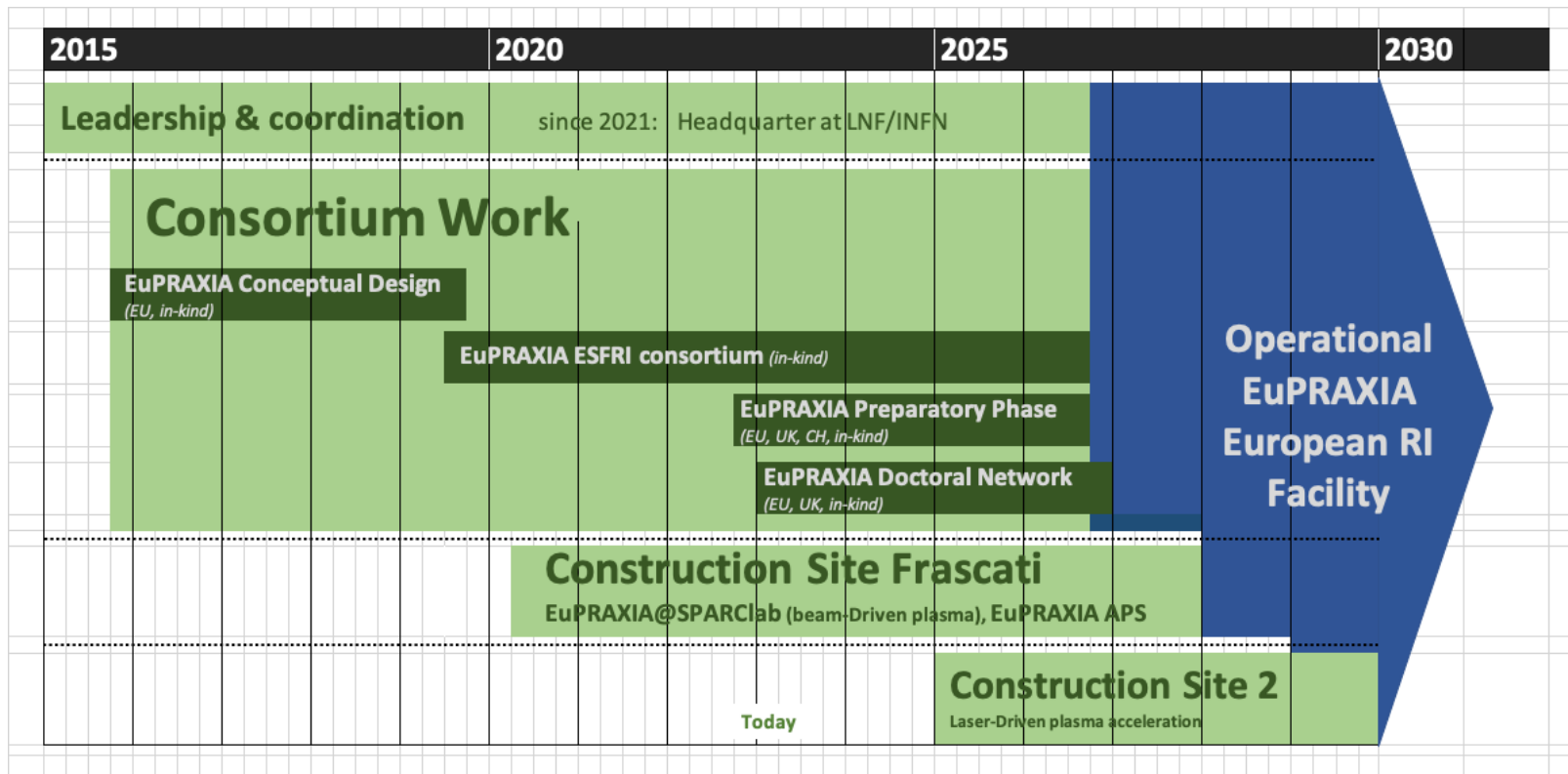
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- **54 institutes** (*in addition > 3 asked to join us presently*)
- from **18 countries** plus CERN
- signed on one or several presently **active EuPRAXIA consortia**:
  - **ESFRI** consortium (funding in-kind)
  - **Preparatory Phase** consortium (funding EU, UK, Switzerland, in-kind)
  - **Doctoral Network** (funding EU, UK, in-kind)





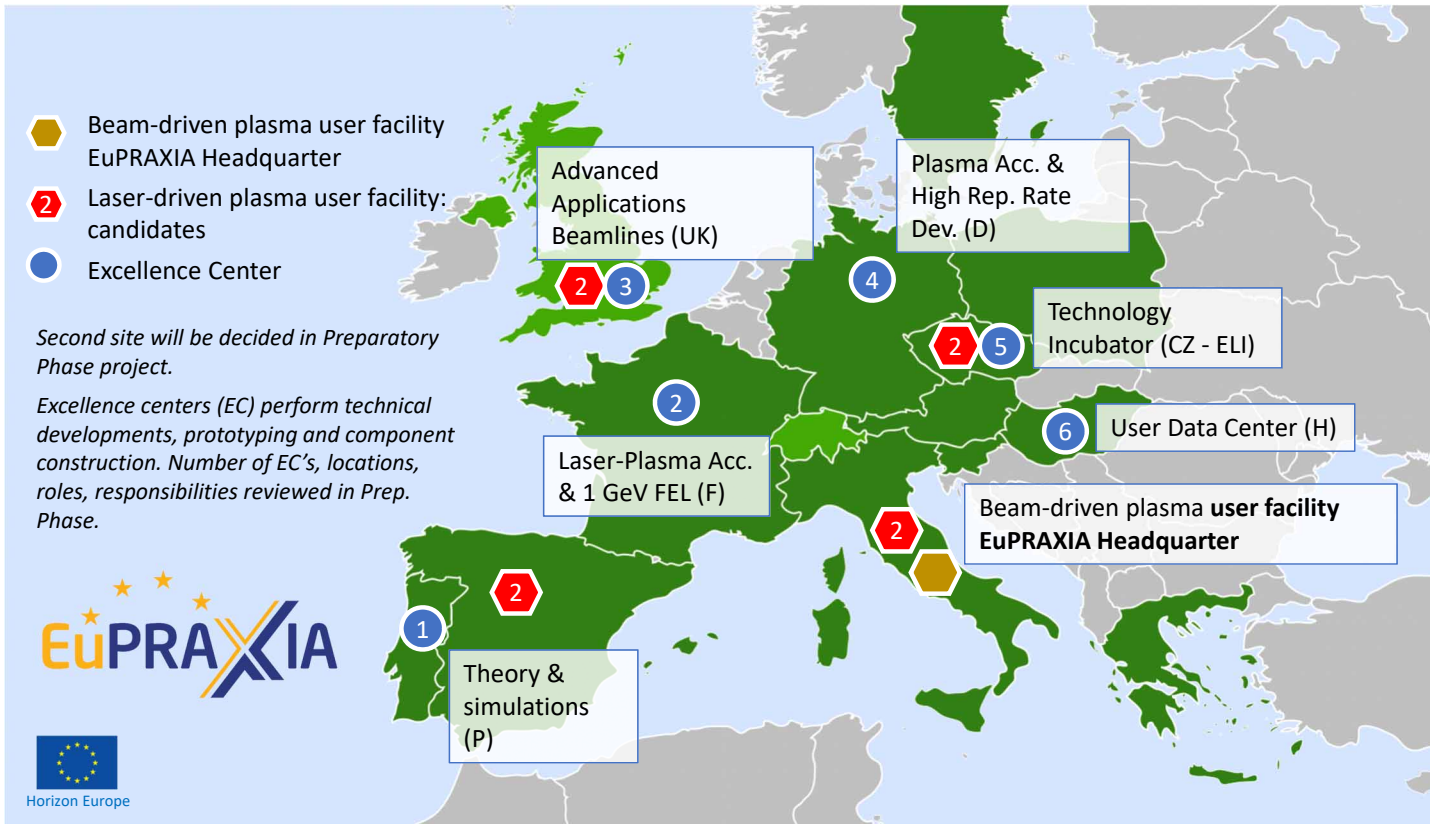


Cost item	Invest (M€)	Personnel (M€)	Total cost (M€)	Obtained (M€)	Coverage (%)	Missing (\$) (M€)
Site 1 (*), Frascati	151,0	23,0	174,0	<b>138,8</b>	<b>80%</b>	35,2
Site 2 (**), tbd	149,0	29,0	178,0	0,0	0%	<b>178,0</b>
Termination	1,0	2,0	3,0	0,0	0%	3,0
CDR	0,2	2,8	3,0	3,0	<b>100%</b>	0,0
Preparation, incl. excellence centers	137,0	74,0	211,0	34,6	16%	<b>176,4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>438,2</b>	<b>130,8</b>	<b>569,0</b>	<b>176,4</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>392,6</b>

(\*) includes estimate of 240 FTE-y of personpower from LNF-INFN

(\*\*) cost will be reduced in case of relevant pre-invests (existing infrastructure, equipment)

(§) for full implementation, phased EuRAXIA approach allows **user operation without full funding**



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Connect with WP's to Horizon Europe and national funding lines

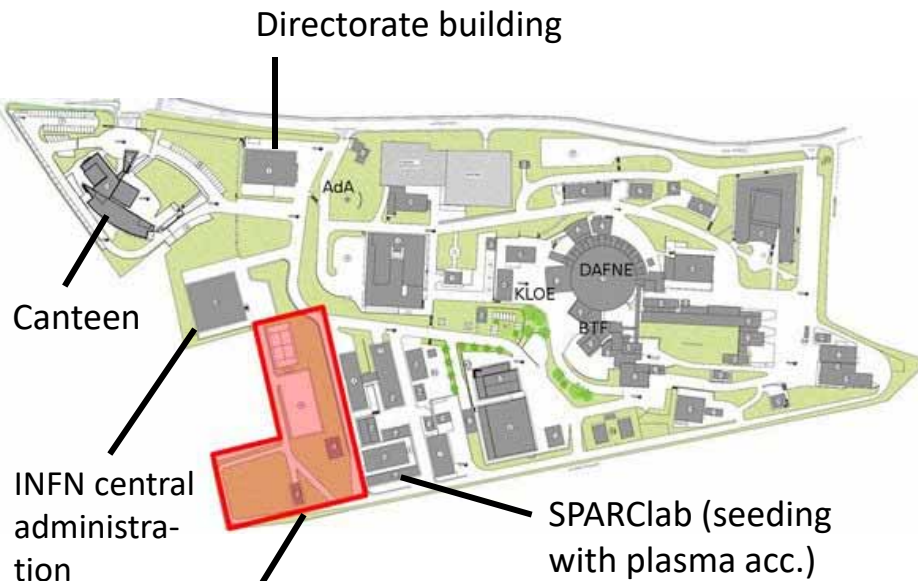


- Frascati's future facility
- > 130 M€ invest funding
- Beam-driven plasma accelerator
- **Europe's most compact and most southern FEL**
- The world's most compact RF accelerator (X band with CERN)



<http://www.lnf.infn.it/sis/preprint/pdf/getfile.php?filename=INFN-18-03-LNF.pdf>





VS

**Vladimir Shiltsev**

viva Eupraxia!

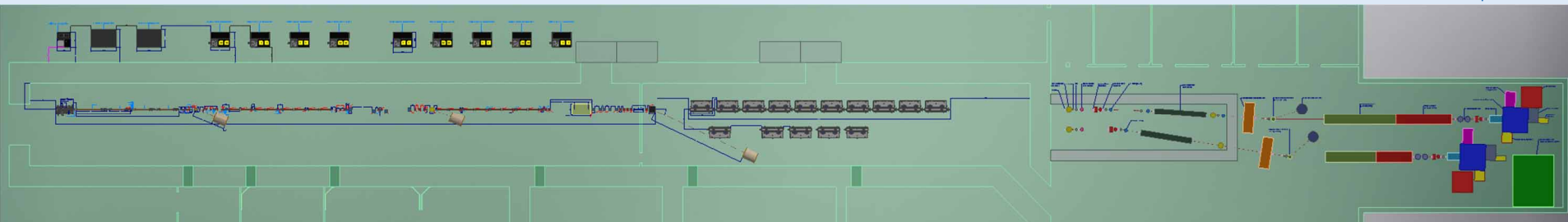
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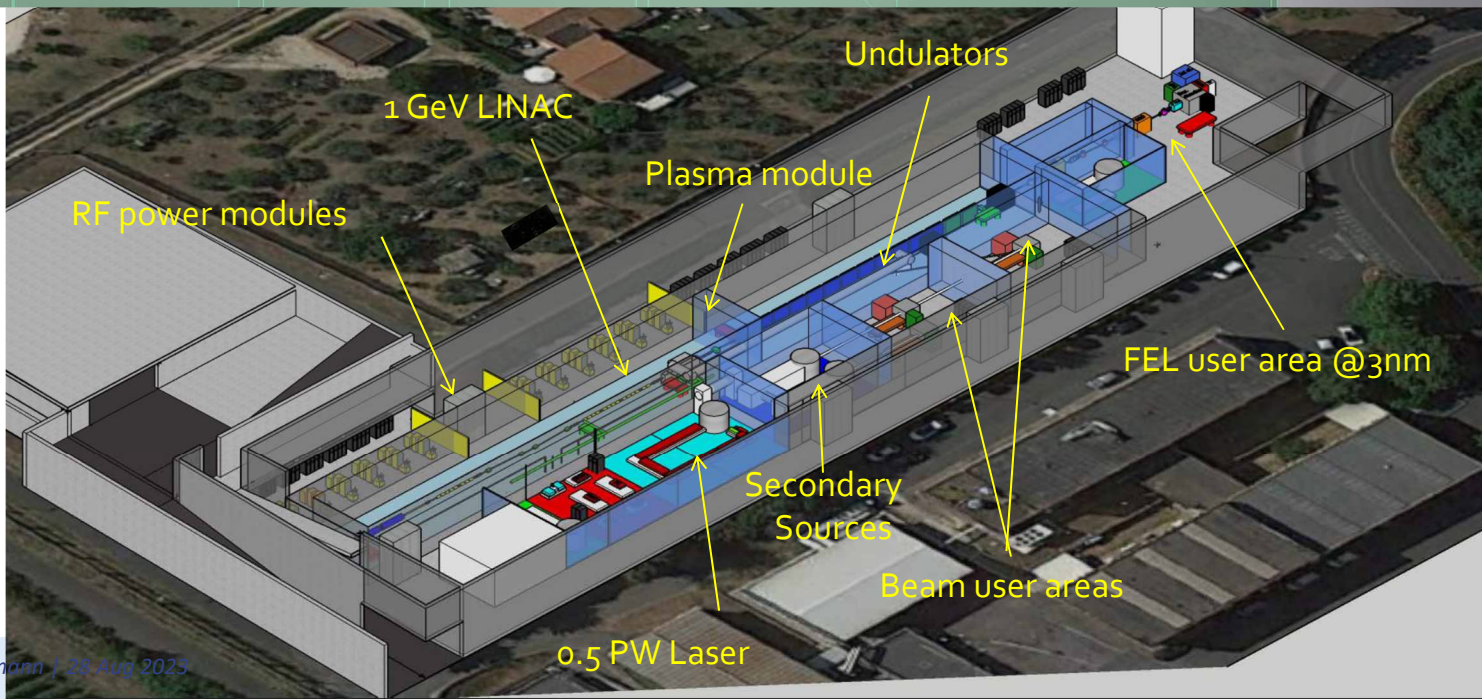


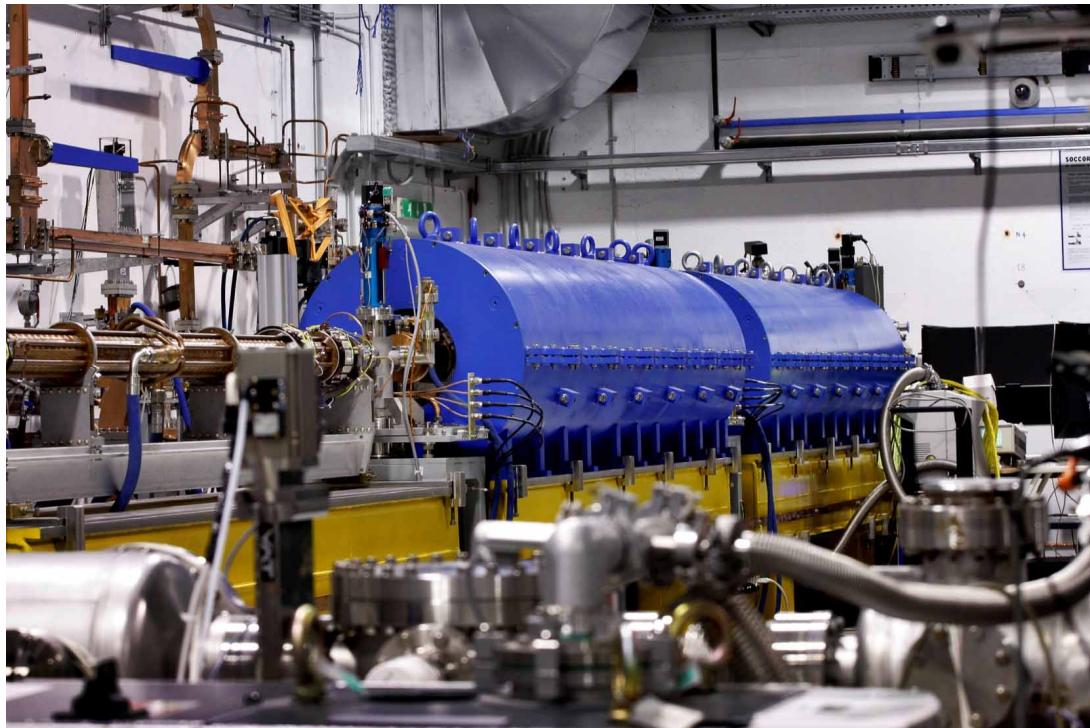
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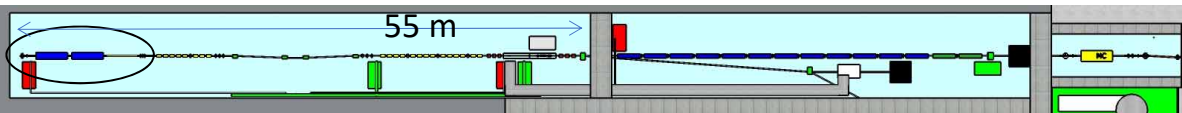
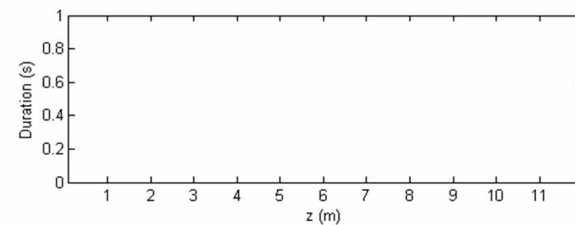
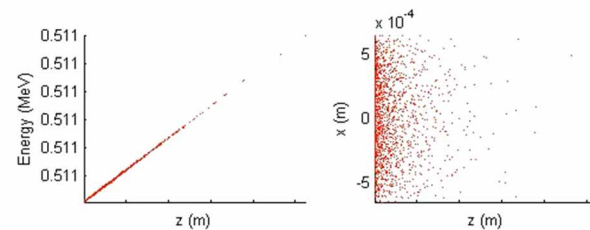
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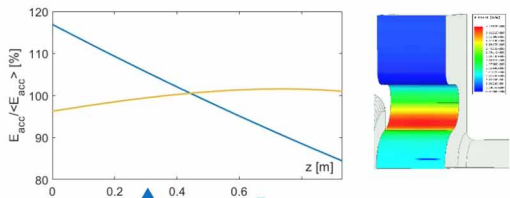




Parameter	Unit	Witness	Driver
Charge	pC	30	200
Energy	MeV	101.5	103.2
RMS energy spread	%	0.15	0.67
RMS bunch length	fs	12	20
RMS norm. emittance	mm mrad	0.69	1.95
Rep. rate	Hz	10	10

Table 7.2: Driver and witness beam parameters at the end of photo-injector.





1. E.m. design: *done*

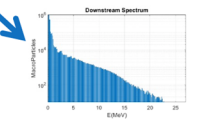
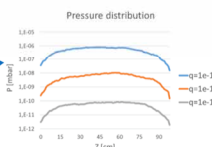
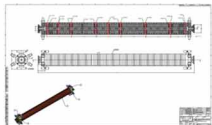
2. Thermo-mechanical analysis: *done*

3. Mechanical design: *done*

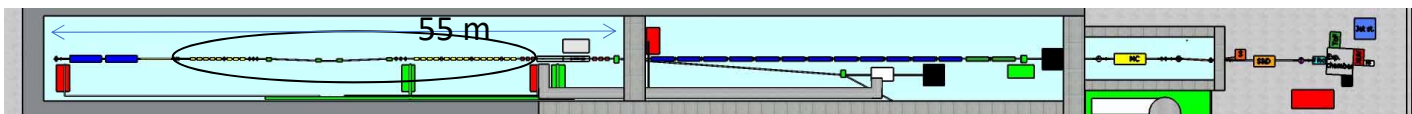
4. Vacuum calculations: *done*

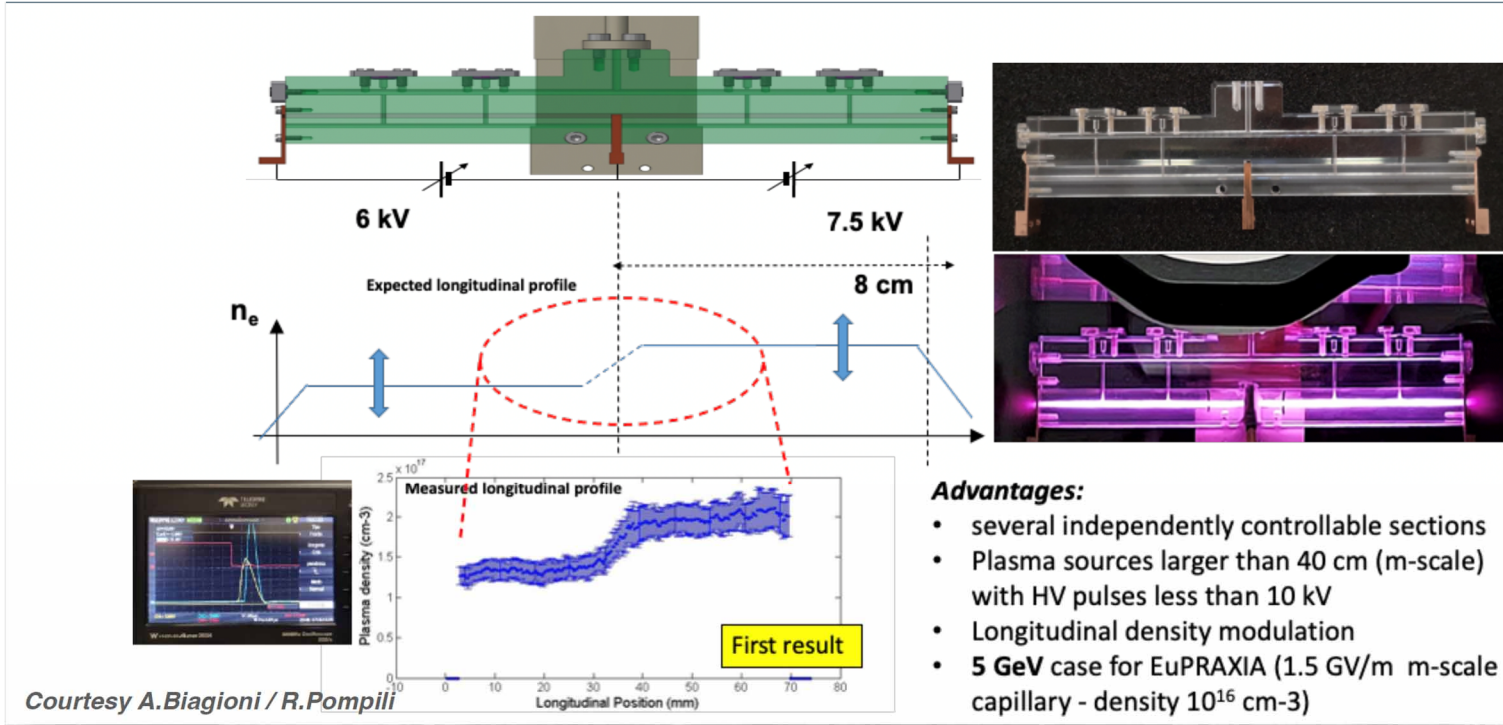
5. Dark current simulations: *done*

6. Waveguide distribution simulation with attenuation calculations: *done*

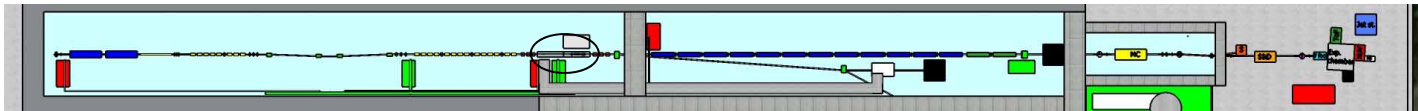


PARAMETER	Value	
	with linear tapering	w/o tapering
Frequency [GHz]	11.9942	
Average acc. gradient [MV/m]	60	
Structures per module	2	
Iris radius a [mm]	3.85-3.15	3.5
Tapering angle [deg]	0.04	0
Struct. length $L_s$ act. Length (flange-to-flange) [m]	0.94 (1.05)	
No. of cells	112	
Shunt impedance R [M $\Omega$ /m]	93-107	100
Effective shunt Imp. $R_{sh, eff}$ [M $\Omega$ /m]	350	347
Peak input power per structure [MW]	70	
Input power averaged over the pulse [MW]	51	
Average dissipated power [kW]	1	
$P_{out}/P_{in}$ [%]	25	
Filling time [ns]	130	
Peak Modified Poynting Vector [W/ $\mu\text{m}^2$ ]	3.6	4.3
Peak surface electric field [MV/m]	160	190
Unloaded SLED/BOC Q-factor $Q_0$	150000	
External SLED/BOC Q-factor $Q_E$	21300	20700
Required Kly power per module [MW]	20	
RF pulse [ $\mu\text{s}$ ]	1.5	
Rep. Rate [Hz]	100	





Courtesy A.Biagioni / R.Pompili



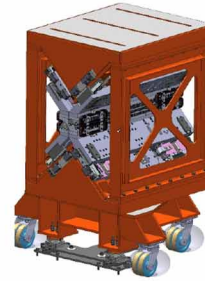


**Two FEL lines:**

**1) AQUA: Soft-X ray SASE FEL – Water window optimized for 4 nm (baseline)**

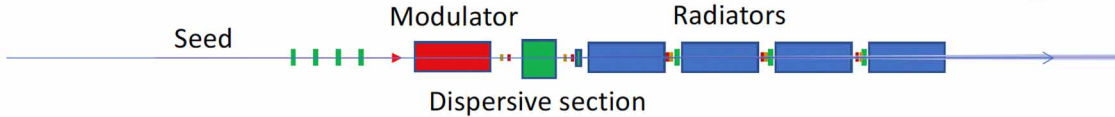


SASE FEL: 10 UM Modules, 2 m each – 60 cm intraundulator sections.  
 Two technologies under study: Apple-X PMU (baseline) and planar SCU.  
 Prototyping in progress

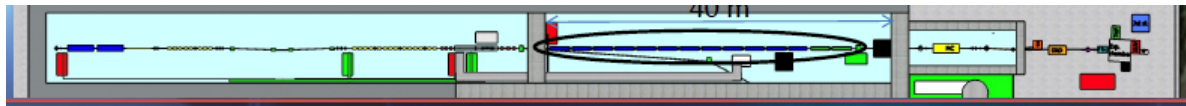
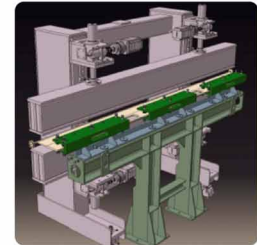


FERMI FEL-1 Radiator

**2) ARIA: VUV seeded HGHG FEL beamline for gas phase**



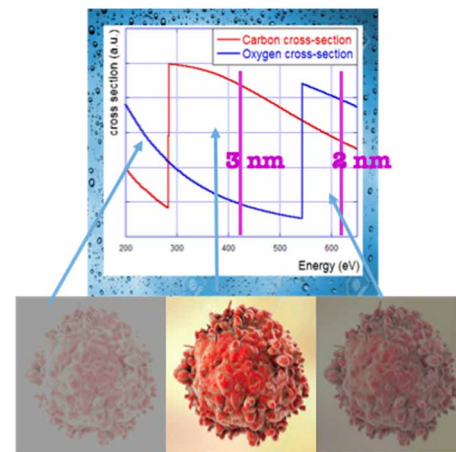
**SEEDED FEL** – Modulator 3 m + 4 Radiators APPLE II – variable pol. 2.2 m each – SEEDED in the range 290 – 430 nm (see former presentation to the committee and *Villa et al. ARIA—A VUV Beamline for EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB. Condens. Matter 2022, 7, 11.*) – Undulator based on consolidated technology.  
 Frascati 06/05/23 – EUPRAXIA TDR



Parameter	Unit	PWFA	Full X-band
Electron Energy	GeV	1-1.2	1
Bunch Charge	pC	30-50	200-500
Peak Current	kA	1-2	1-2
RMS Energy Spread	%	0.1	0.1
RMS Bunch Length	$\mu\text{m}$	6-3	24-20
RMS norm. Emittance	$\mu\text{m}$	1	1
Slice Energy Spread	%	$\leq 0.05$	$\leq 0.05$
Slice norm Emittance	mm-mrad	0.5	0.5

Parameter	Unit	PWFA	Full X-band
Radiation Wavelength	nm	3-4	4
Photons per Pulse	$\times 10^{12}$	0.1-0.25	1
Photon Bandwidth	%	0.1	0.5
Undulator Area Length	m	30	
$\rho(1D/3D)$	$\times 10^{-3}$	2	2
Photon Brilliance per shot	$\text{mm}^2\text{mrad} \cdot \text{bw}(0.1\%)$	$1-2 \times 10^{28}$	$1 \times 10^{27}$

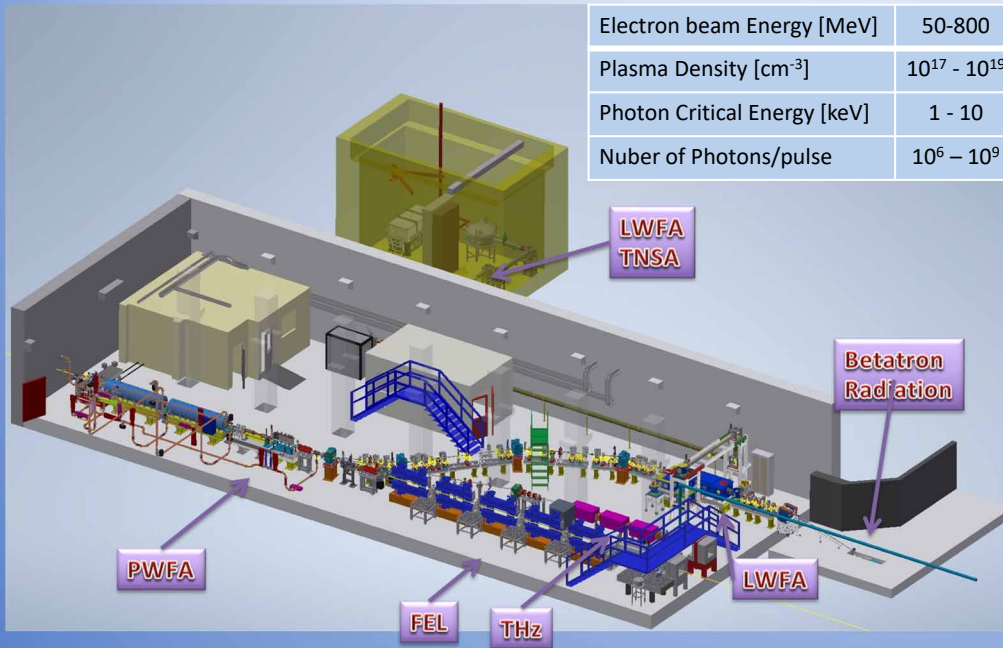
In the Energy region between Oxygen and Carbon K-edge 2.34 nm – 4.4 nm (530 eV -280 eV) water is almost transparent to radiation while nitrogen and carbon are absorbing (and scattering)



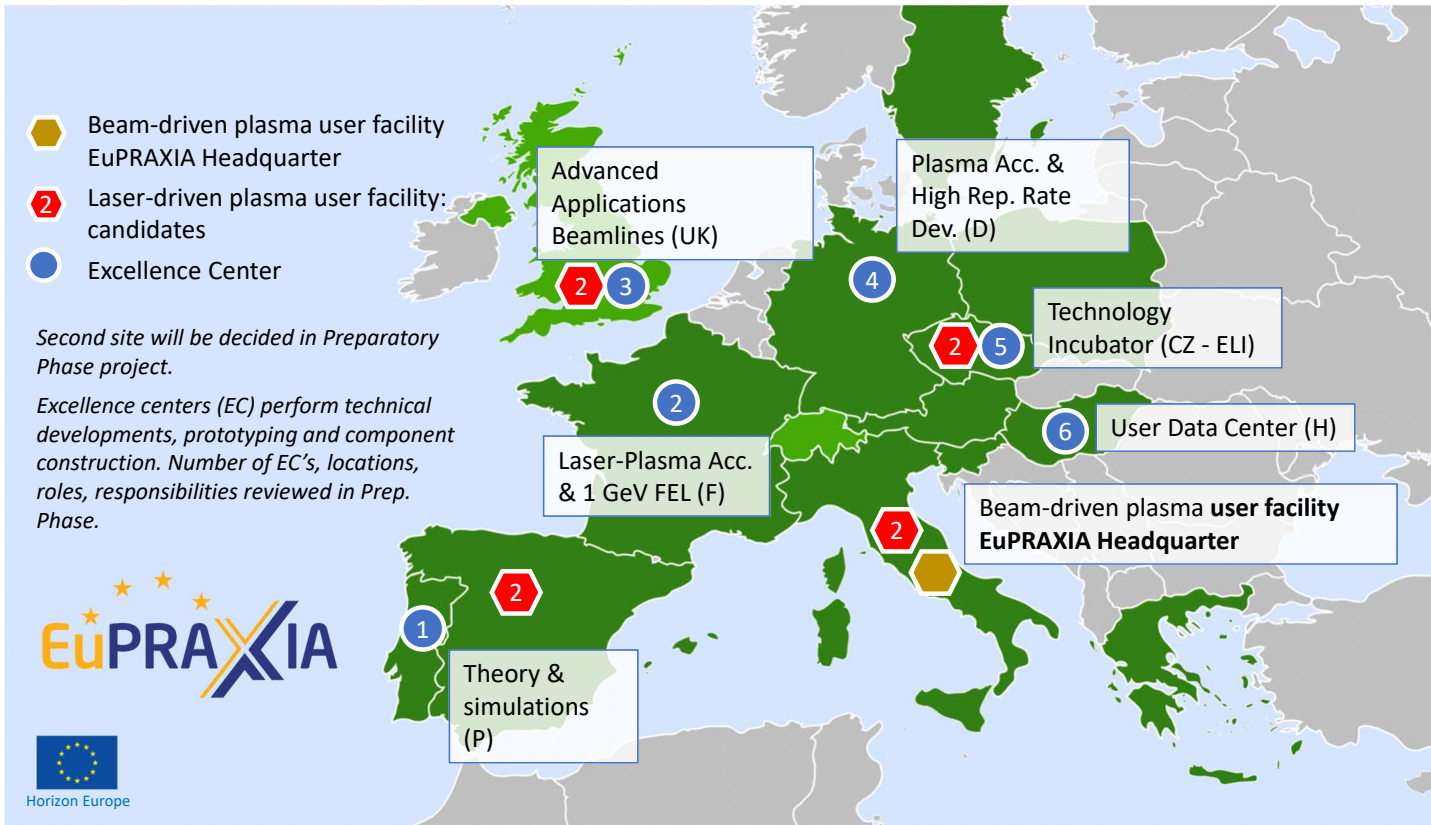
Coherent Imaging of biological samples  
protein clusters, VIRUSES and cells  
living in their native state  
Possibility to study dynamics  
 $\sim 10^{11}$  photons/pulse needed



## Betatron Radiation Source at SPARC\_LAB



- Supported by PNRR funding
- Collaboration among INFN, CNR, University of Tor Vergata
- Operational facility at SPAClab by end of 2025
- EuPRAXIA pre-cursor for users



Today's status

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Second site: **one** to be selected

Connect with WP's to Horizon Europe and national funding lines

## 32.9 CAD Model of the Conceptual EuPRAXIA Facility Layout

Some example screenshots of the CAD model of the proposed EuPRAXIA facility layout are shown below. The current model is conceptual, but will form a basis for the detailed technical layout to be developed in the next phase of EuPRAXIA. The full CAD model is available upon request.

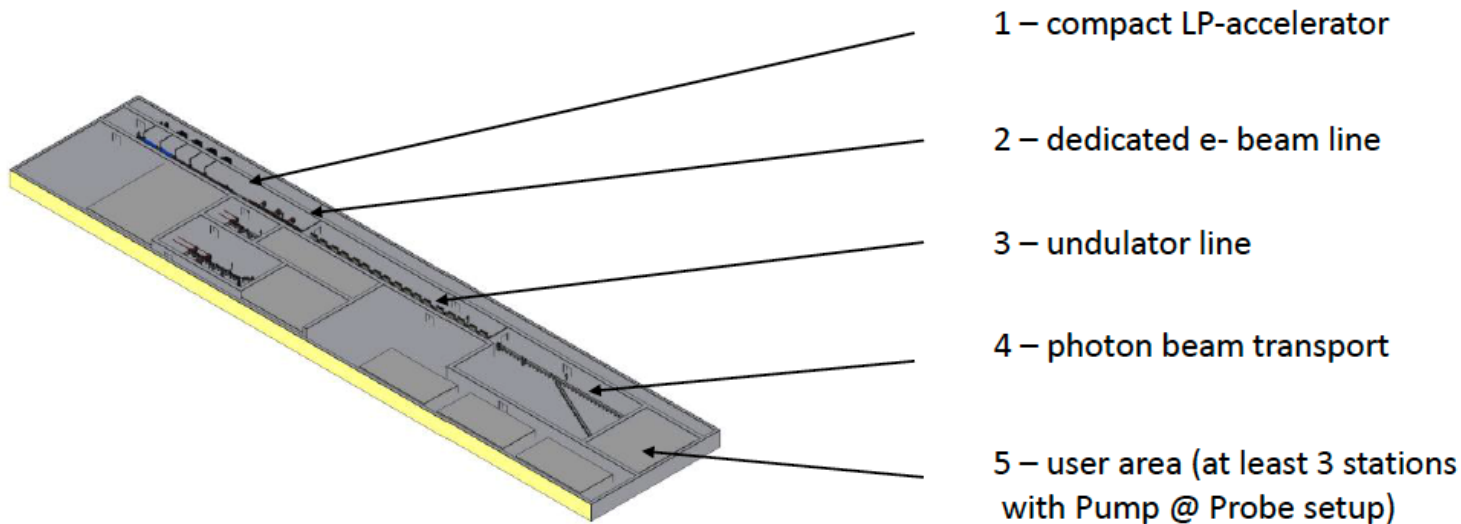


Figure 32.27: Screenshot of the CAD model of the proposed EuPRAXIA facility layout. Here, the laser-driven plasma acceleration construction site is shown in a perspective view.



ELI Beamlines explores the interaction of light with matter at intensities 10 times higher than previously achievable.

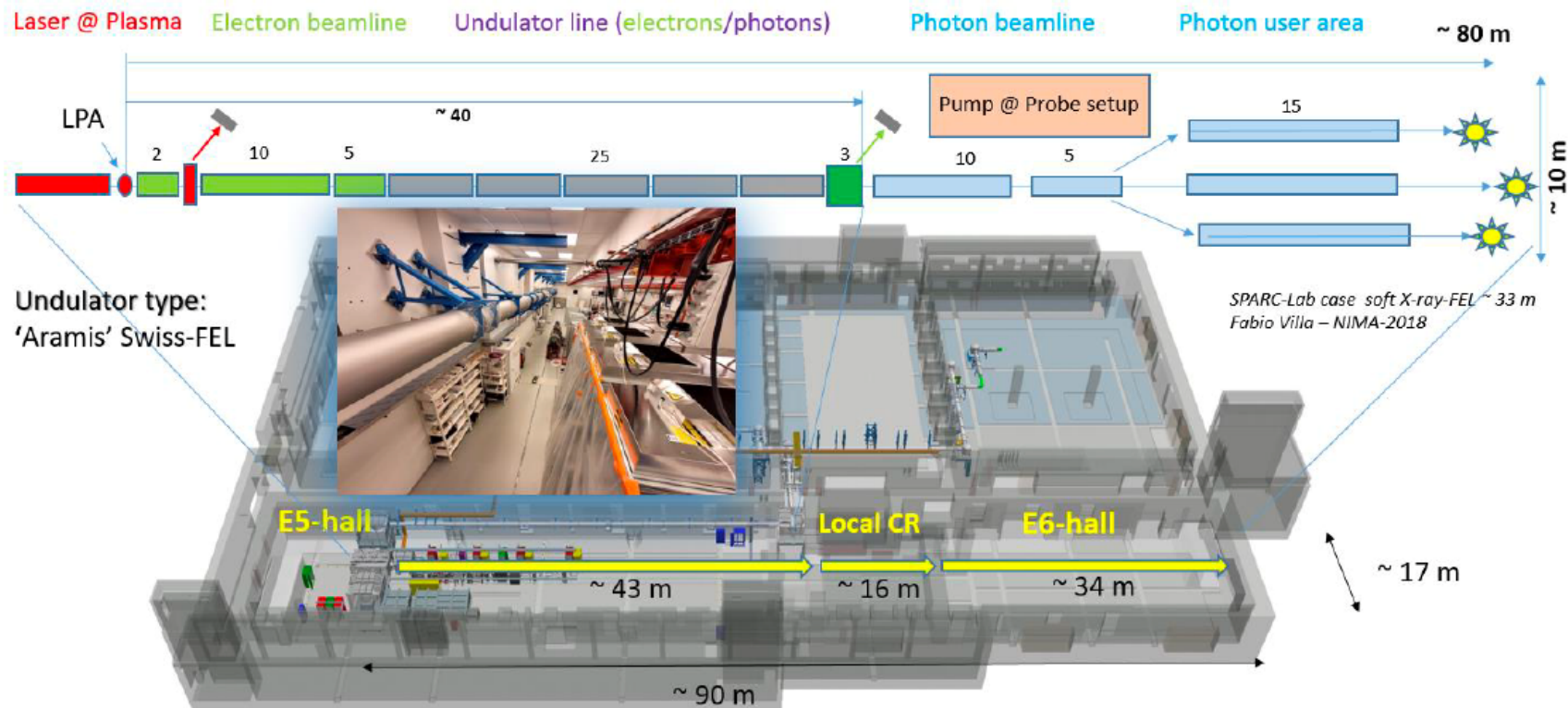
4 PW class laser systems, 4 support lasers

7 Secondary sources – EUV - X-rays, Electron and Ion Accelerators

10 User stations

- 350 international staff
- Area 31,000 m<sup>2</sup>
- Structural Dynamics
- Particle Acceleration and Applications
- HED Physics and ICF
- High Field Physics





**EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE at ELI-Beamlines**

## Option-A (using existing facility)

Extension of E6 hall → extra 60 meters length



→ **Budget estimation for E6 extension**

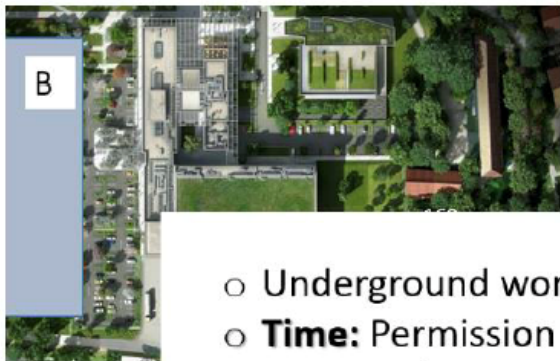
permission @ TDR ~ 10% (NON-inv) of total budget → 1.5 year  
underground work ~ **11 MEur** (INV) → + 2 years

→ **Finalization of extended infrastructure (shielding, engineering) ~ 20 MEur**

→ **Budget for other key components → TBD**



## Option B: new facility



- Underground work (160m x 35m x 5m) → ~ **40 MEur**
- **Time:** Permission @ TRD ~ 10% (NONinv) → ~ **3 years**
- Building / Laser-Hall and Experimental-Hall finalization → ~ **20 MEur**
- **Time: + 3 years**

NO pre-investment from ELI-beamlines

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# Option for Second Site: Extreme Photonics Applications Centre



Rajeev Pattathil

Rome, Italy, 5 – 7 June 2023



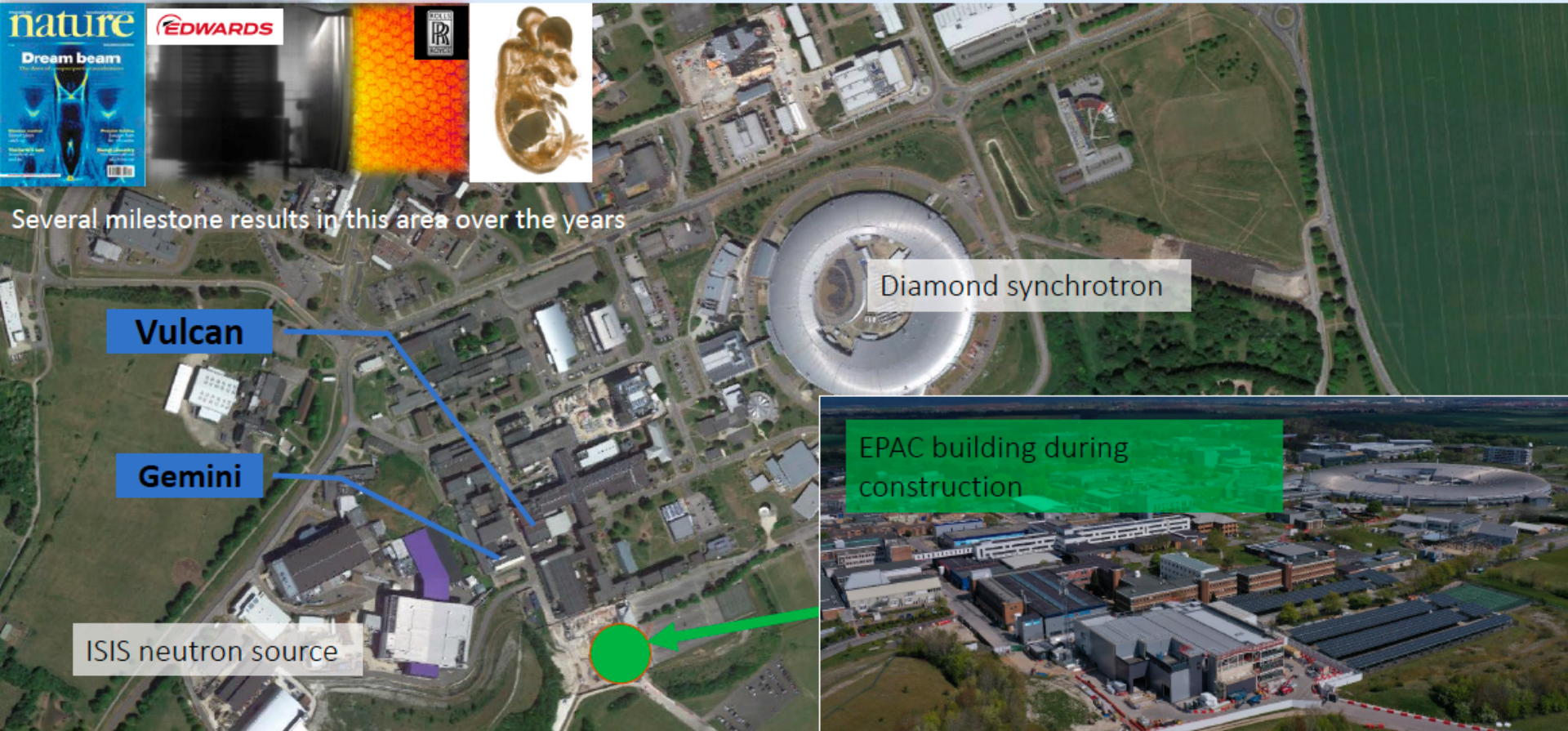
# EuPRAXIA Builds on the success of Gemini and Vulcan



Funded by the European Union



Several milestone results in this area over the years



Diamond synchrotron

Vulcan

Gemini

ISIS neutron source



EPAC building during construction

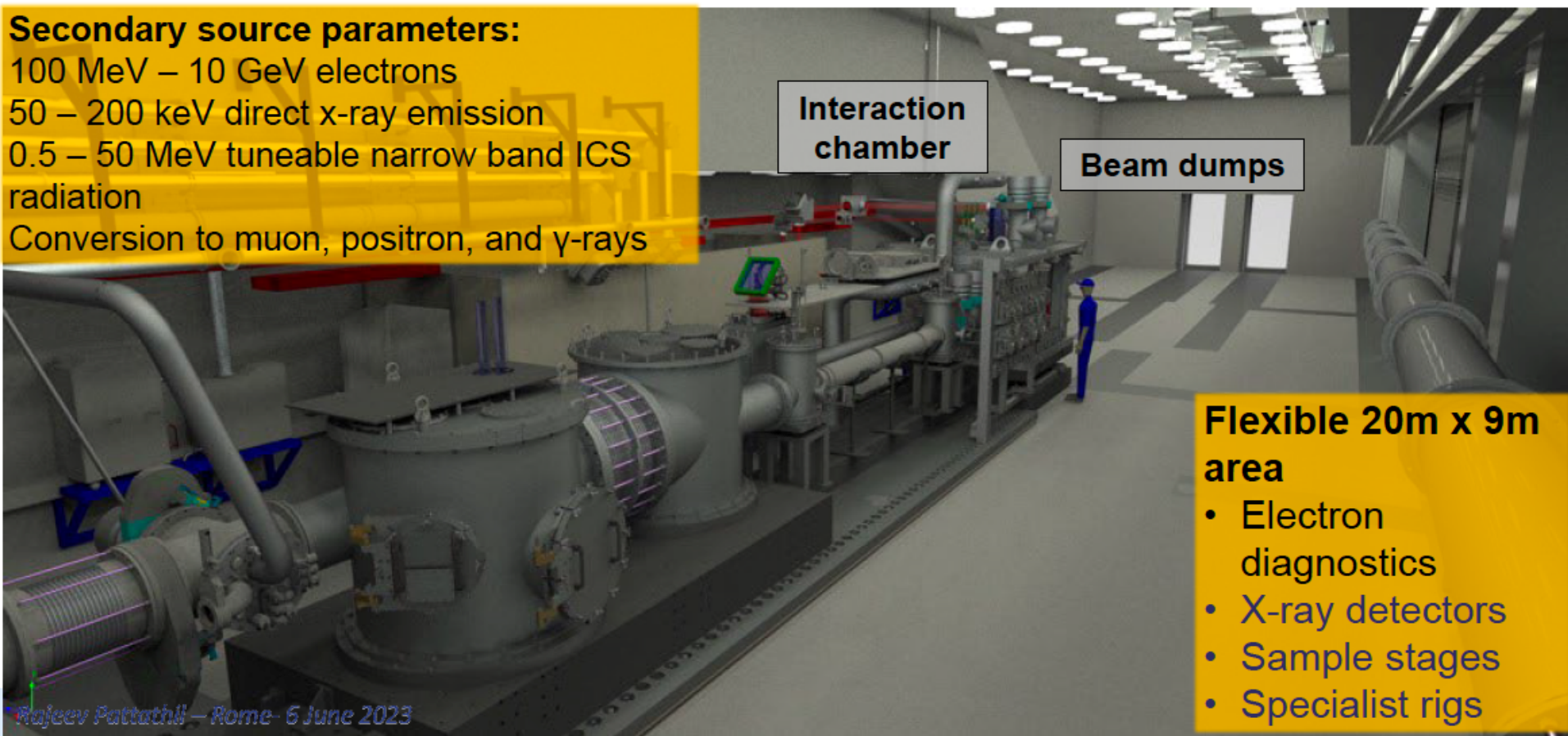
**Secondary source parameters:**

100 MeV – 10 GeV electrons

50 – 200 keV direct x-ray emission

0.5 – 50 MeV tuneable narrow band ICS  
radiation

Conversion to muon, positron, and  $\gamma$ -rays



Interaction  
chamber

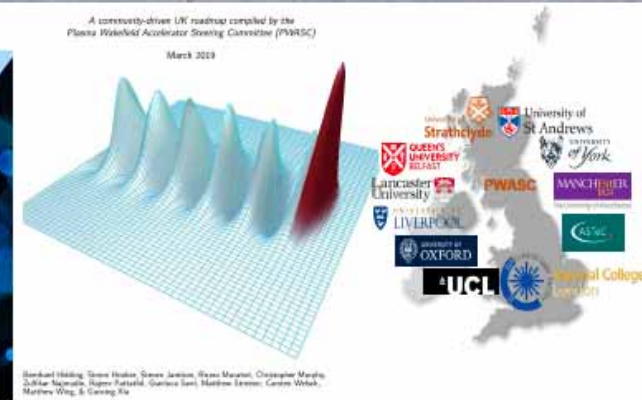
Beam dumps

**Flexible 20m x 9m  
area**

- Electron diagnostics
- X-ray detectors
- Sample stages
- Specialist rigs

# EuPRAXIA @ EPAC?

- EPAC's operations would start 2025/26 – can de-risk a lot of EuPRAXIA concepts
- Additional space for future laser and experimental areas (eg. a 100Hz system under development)
- Has the capacity to expand the EPAC building to house the additional beamlines – EuPRAXIA @ EPAC
- EPAC's strategy, applications-oriented program and industry links would help EuPRAXIA
- STFC has all the infrastructures required to run a successful user programme
- Infrastructure proposal to UKRI was identified as “future potential funding”
- STFC's Accelerator Strategy now includes development of plasma accelerators
- STFC Executive is in full support – Mark Thomson was instrumental in getting support for EuPRAXIA
- **Political questions remain, however**



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## EuPRAXIA 2<sup>nd</sup> SITE @CNR

### Status of preparation

Leonida A. GIZZI, CNR-INO and INFN, Pisa, Italy

EuPRAXIA-PP and ESFRI Workshop on Excellence Centers  
and 2nd site (Laser-driven)

6<sup>th</sup> June, 2023, Museo Ninfeo, Roma, Italy



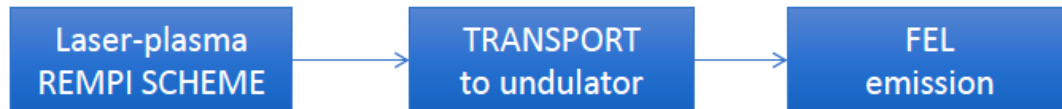
This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon  
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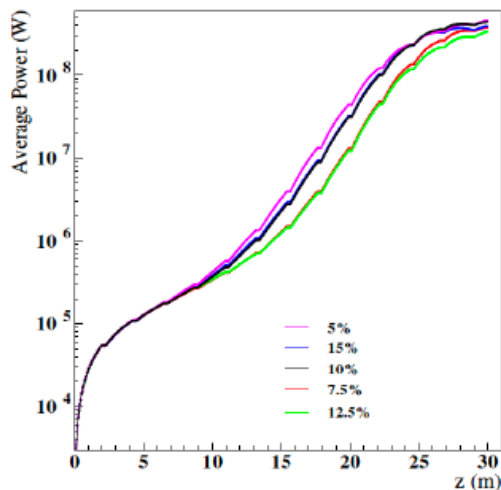
Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche

**Area della Ricerca di Pisa**





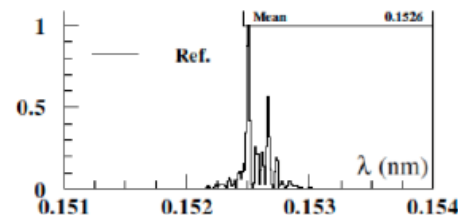
Up to 39 m planar undulator line with period  $\lambda_u = 14$  mm, with  $E_{\text{beam}} \approx 4.5$  GeV, the resonant wavelength of 1.5 Å.  
**The Self-Amplified Stimulated Emission (SASE) vs. pulse energy, gain length and resonant wavelength**



e-beam	$L_G$ [m]	$E_p(z_{\text{exit}})$ [ $\mu\text{J}$ ]	$\lambda_{\text{exit}}$ [nm]
7.5%	1.753	9.28	0.152619
15%	1.781	9.60	0.152533
5%	1.912	11.15	0.152546
12.5%	1.756	8.22	0.152574
10%	1.791	10.78	0.152568
RMS	0.065	1.6	0.000033

Emission stable against plasma density variations (10%)

P. Tomassini, L. Giannessi, A. Giribono, F. Nguyen, and L. A. Gizzi, "Brilliant X-Ray Free Electron Laser Driven by Resonant Multi-Pulse Ionization Injection Accelerator", presented at the FEL2022, Trieste, Italy, Aug. 2022, paper TUP17.



SIS 1.3 simulations by Federico NGUYEN (ENEA, Frascati)

Now working on the proof of principle implementation



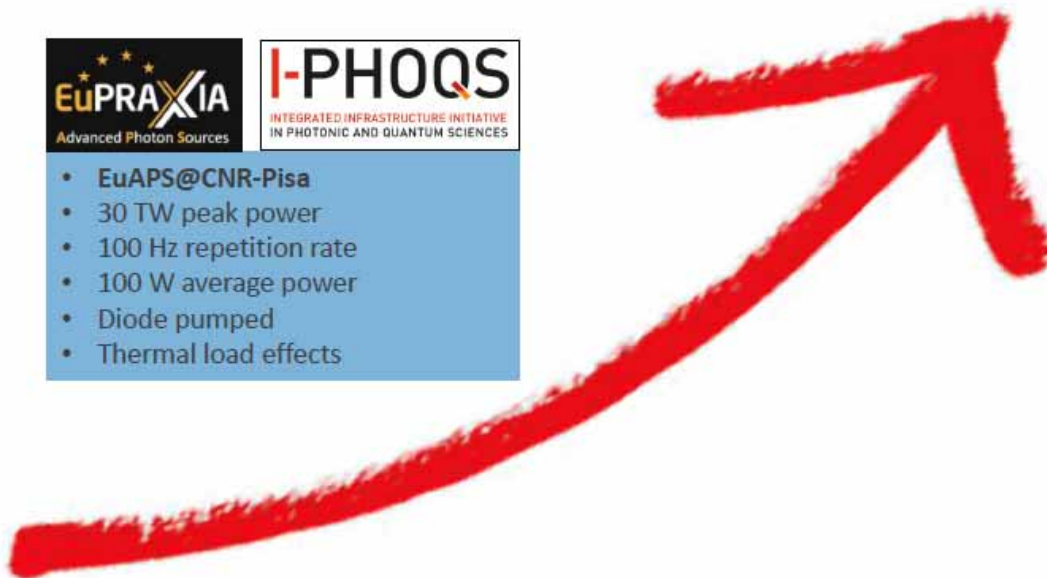
**Eupraxia laser development is aimed at delivering more efficient, kW-PW laser driver for plasma acceleration at >100 Hz rate**

- **EuPRAXIA**
- PW class,
- 100 Hz repetition rate,
- multi kW average power,
- diode pumped
- Full thermal load transport



- **EuAPS@CNR-Pisa**
- 30 TW peak power
- 100 Hz repetition rate
- 100 W average power
- Diode pumped
- Thermal load effects

- **CURRENT**
- PW class,
- Hz repetition rate,
- ≈10 W average power
- flashlamp pumped
- No thermal load transport



# **CLPU as EUPRAXIA LASER SITE**

**G. Gatti**

**Scientific Division Head**

- **CLPU: Location & Governance**
- **Infrastructure**
- **International Framework**
- **Glimpses on User Access**
- **Upgrade**
- **Activities**
- **Strong Points**

# Location

## Castilla y León region

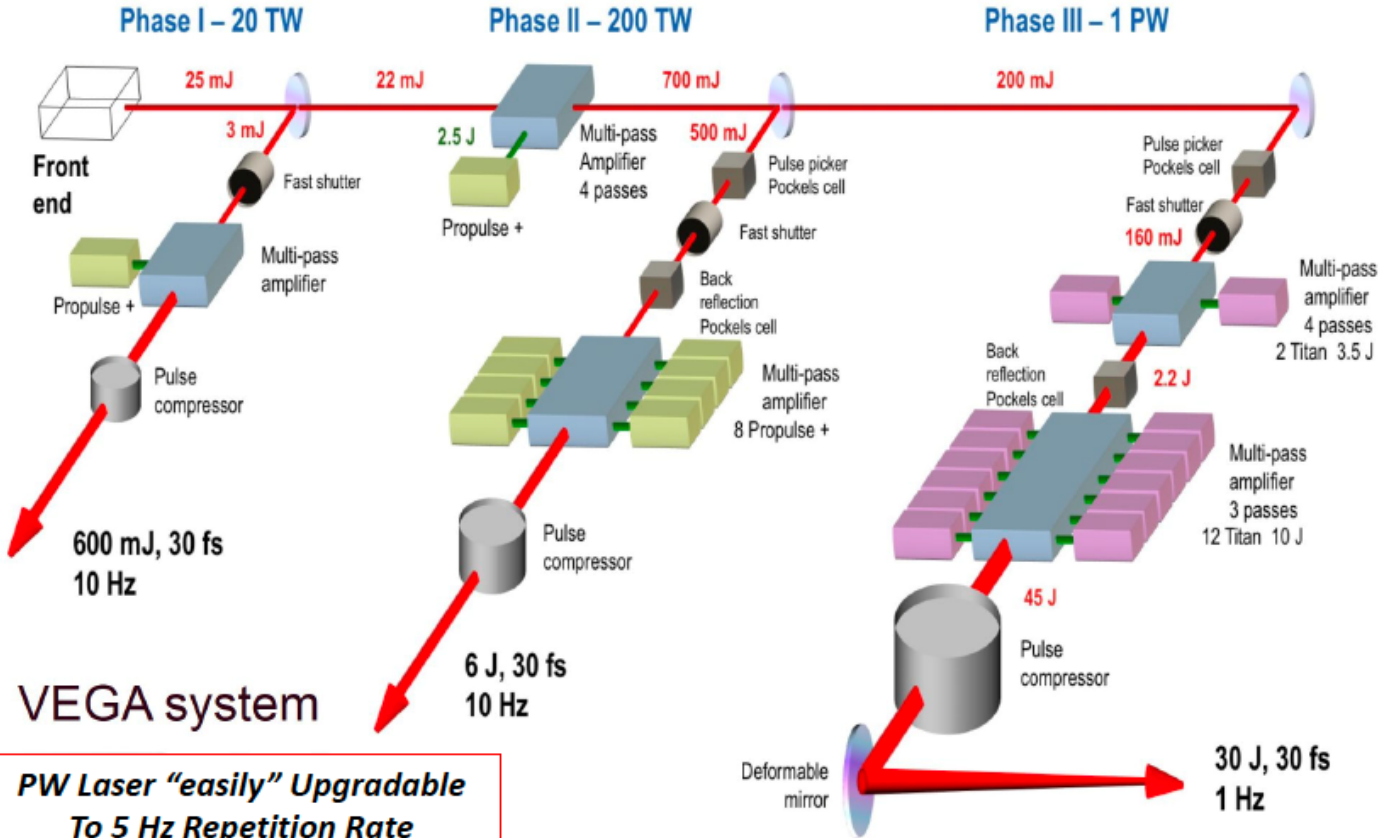


## Salamanca



USAL Science Park

# Infrastructure



VEGA system

**PW Laser "easily" Upgradable  
To 5 Hz Repetition Rate**

# Building Upgrade



- Multiple Users & Set-ups
- Get Advantage of Laser Independence
- 3 M€ Funding

- Plasma accelerators have advanced considerably in beam quality, **achieving FEL lasing**.
- EuPRAXIA is a design and an ESFRI project for a distributed European Research Infrastructure, **building two plasma-driven FEL's in Europe**.
- EuPRAXIA FEL site in Frascati LNF-INFN is sufficiently funded for **first FEL user operation in 2028**.
- Second EuPRAXIA FEL site will be selected in next 18 months, among **4 excellent candidate sites**.
- Concept today **works in design and in reality**. Expect (solvable) problems in stability for **24/7 user operation**. Facility needed to demonstrate!
- *Many thanks to all my EuPRAXIA colleagues and close friends, especially Massimo Ferrario from INFN.*



## Preparatory Phase Steering Committee: Leaders Behind EuPRAXIA

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*WP's on coordination & implementation as ESFRI RI (organization, legal model, financing, users)*

*WP's on technical implementation and sites*

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