

SPIRAL2 Final Commissioning Results

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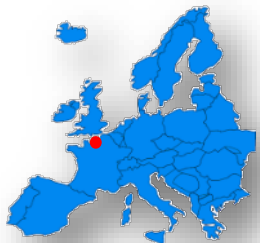
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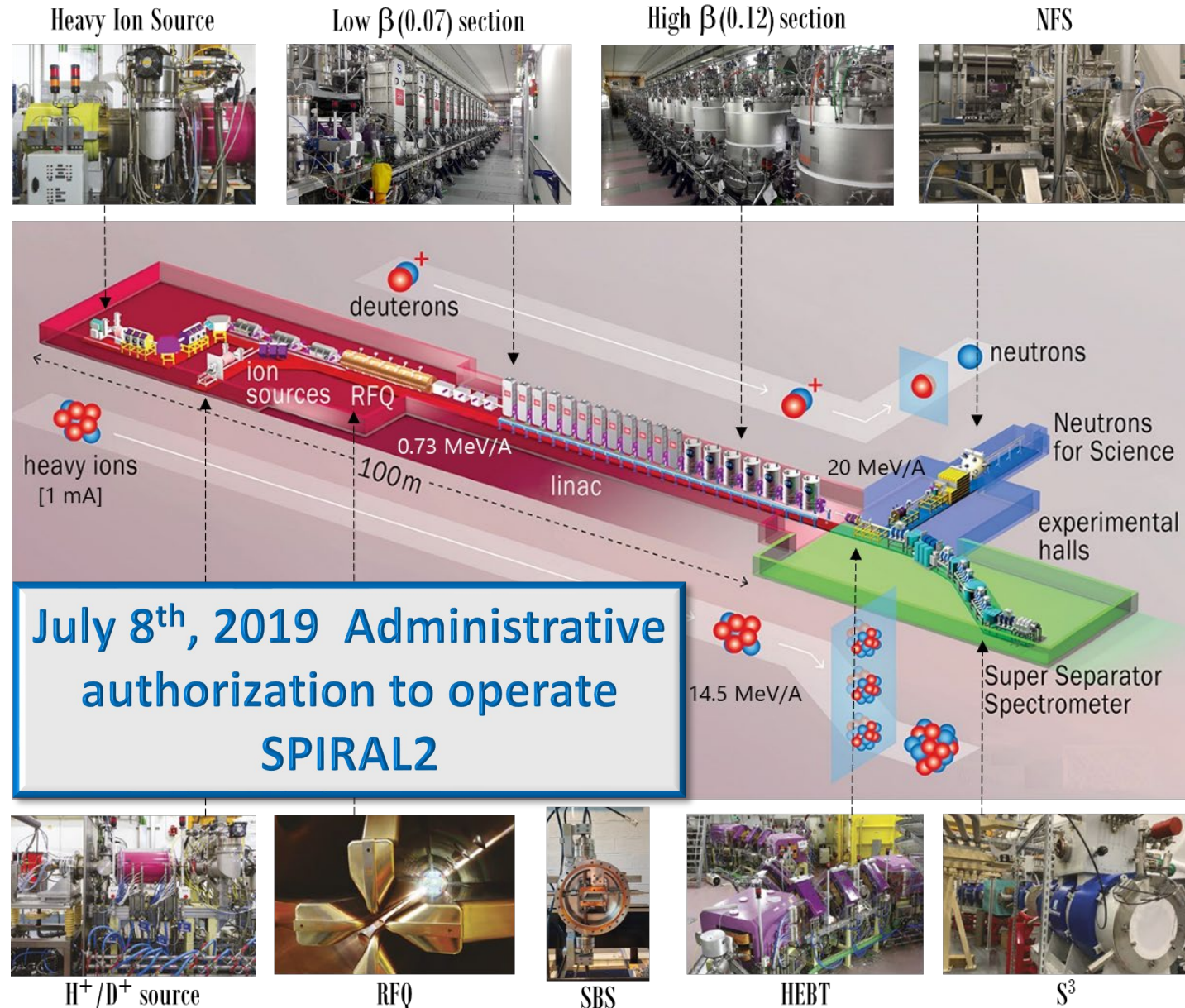
- GANIL-SPIRAL2
- SPIRAL2 SC linac commissioning and results
- Summary and conclusion
- Future perspectives

Particles	H ⁺	D ⁺	ions	NewGain
A/Q	1	2	3	7
Max I (mA)	5	5	1	1
Max energy (MeV/A)	33	20	14	7
Max beam power (kW)	165	200	44	49

Collaboration with National Laboratories
and International Partners



BARC (India), INFN (Italia)
IFIN-HH (Romania), IFJ-PAN (Poland)
SOREQ (Israel), INRNE-BAS (Bulgaria)



Main commissioning dates and milestones

Beam commissioning in 4 phases

Qualification of the ion sources and LEBT in the laboratories in charge of the development (LPSC-Grenoble and CEA-Saclay)

- 2009-2012

Qualification of the injector on a Diagnostic Plate (GANIL)

- Reproduce the results from the pre-commissioning
- Validate the RFQ performances
- Provide a development platform for various diagnostics
- Measure the beam characteristics at the RFQ exit.
- 2014-2018

SC linac beam commissioning up to the main beam dump

- Progressive cool down – started in 2016
- RF validation of all cavities - 2019
- Beam commissioning – Started 2019

"day-1" experiments to NFS and S3 experimental halls

- including commissioning
- first test experiments in NFS in 2019 and 2020

Milestones

J1: Injector qualification with beam on the D-plate

J3: LINAC RF power qualification

J4: LINAC beam up to the beam dump

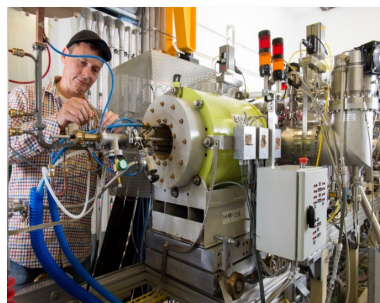
J5: Beam in NFS experimental hall

J6: Beam in S³ experimental hall (after the completion of S³)

Commissioning Time Line



P/D source:
first beam
2 mA H⁺.
December



Diagnostic plate
commissioning end
April-November



SBS @ 5 mA H⁺.
MEBT @1.2 mA ⁴He²⁺
SBS* @1.2 mA ⁴He²⁺
SC LINAC @ 5 mA H⁺
16kW H⁺
July – December



2014

2015

2018

2019

2020

2021

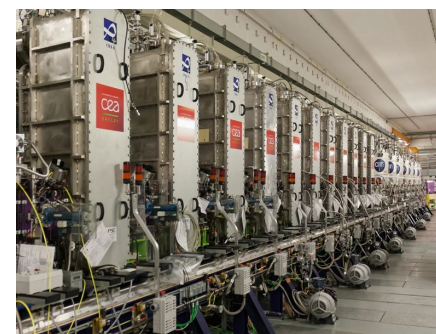
Phoenix V2: first
beam 230 μ A Ar⁹⁺
July.
RFQ: first H⁺ beam
December.



MEBT @5 mA H⁺.
SBS* @ 0.2 mA H⁺
SC LINAC @ 0.2 mA H⁺
33MeV H⁺
July-December

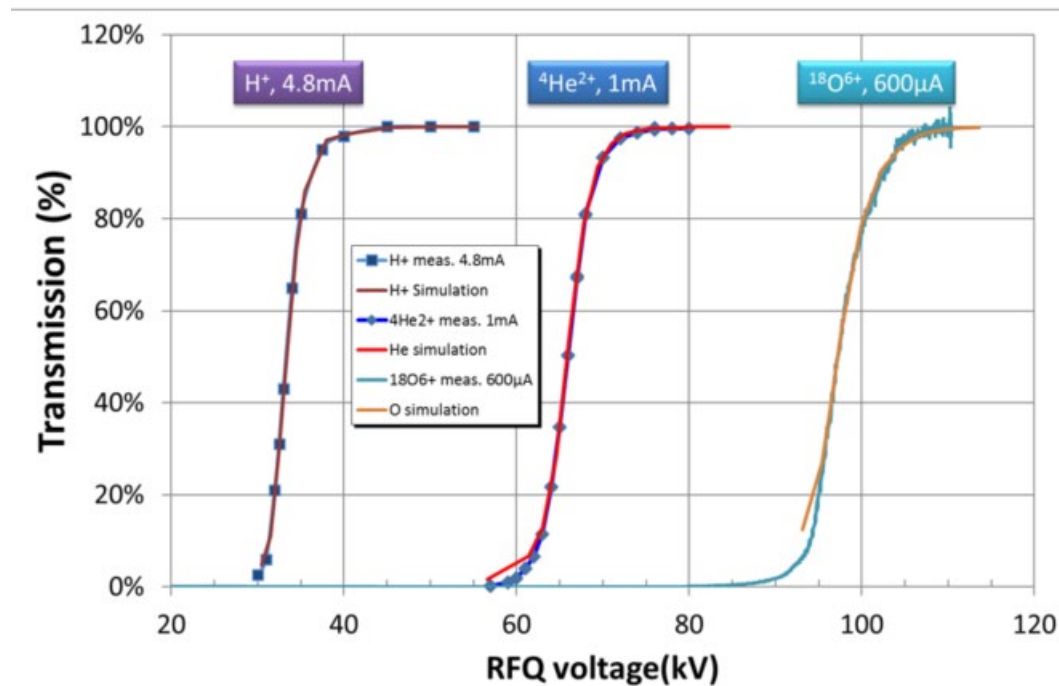


SC LINAC@1.3 mA ⁴He²⁺
SBS @ 5 mA D⁺
SC LINAC @ 5 mA D⁺
40 MeV D⁺
50 μ A NFS
July-September

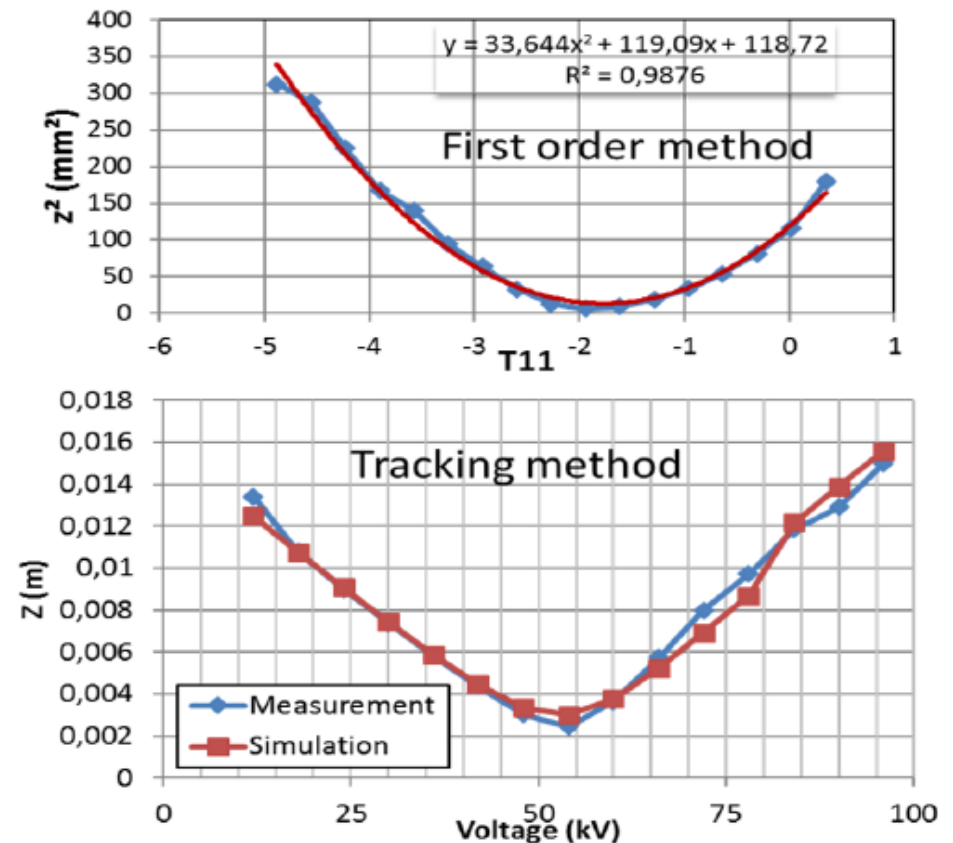


Injector qualification on a D-Plate

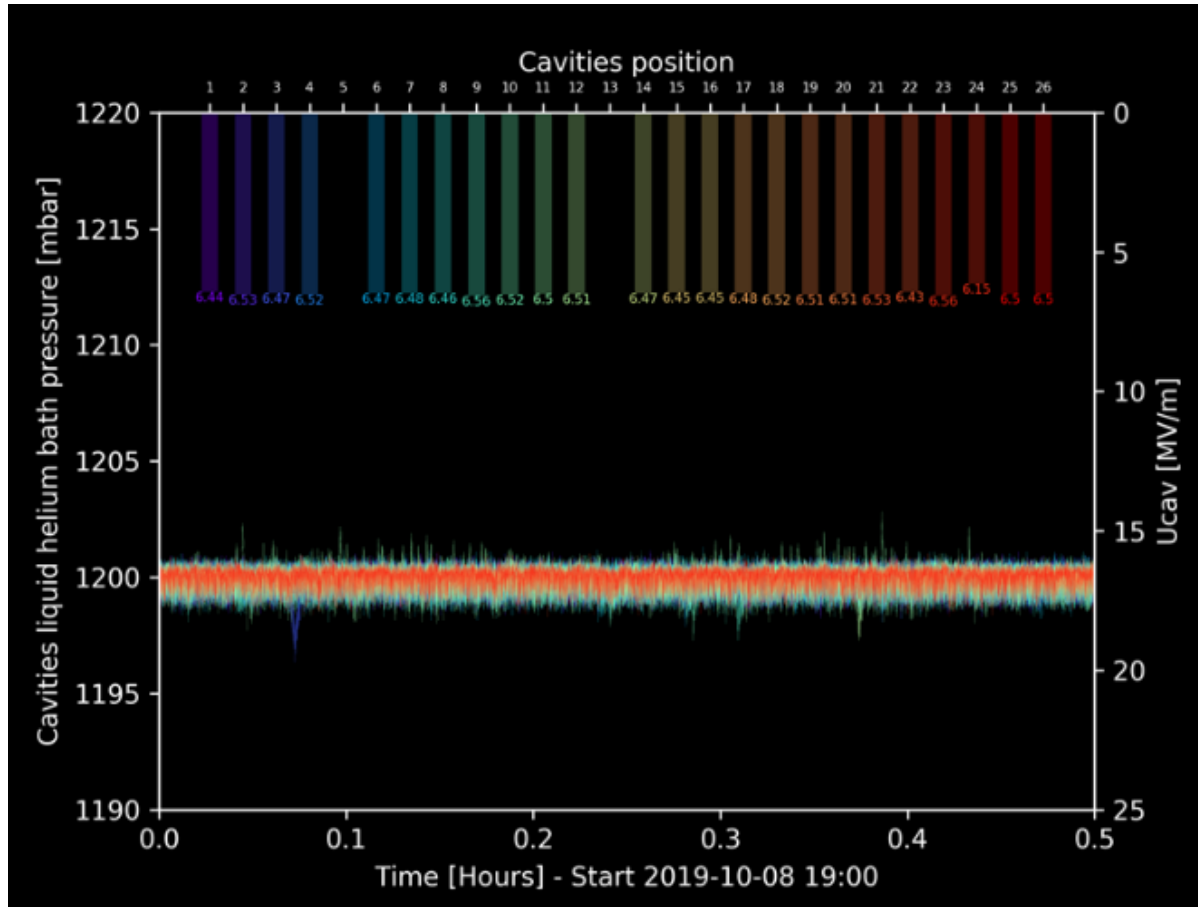
- The SPIRAL2 injector and sources, LEBT lines and RFQ were commissioned in the D-plate.
- CW operation of the RFQ was validated at nominal voltage.
- Transmission, transverse and longitudinal emittances are in agreement with reference simulations with TraceWin.
- 100% beam transmission in the RFQ for H^+ , $^4He^{2+}$, $^{18}O^{6+}$ and $^{40}Ar^{14+}$



R. Ferdinand *et al.*, Final Results of the SPIRAL2 Injector Commissioning
IPAC'19 doi:10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2019-TUPTS007.



G. Normand *et al.*, SPIRAL2 RFQ Bunch Lengths and Longitudinal Emittance Measurements.
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*LINAC cavities at nominal fields
and cavities L_{He} bath pressure*

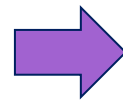
- J3 : September 24, 2019
All LINAC cavities ramped up to their nominal fields
- RF : Validation and comparison with earlier performances at the partner labs after at least 4 years of storage (vacuum).
 - Nominal gradient 6.5 MV/m except for cavity 24 (CMB6.2).
 - X-ray ($\mu\text{Sv/h}$)
=> Same values except for CMA11
- Cryogenics :
 - He bath pressure regulation $< \pm 5\text{mBar}$ for all cavities with full RF power

Detailed information on RF and cryogenic systems on posters: MOPOPA015, TUPOGE002.

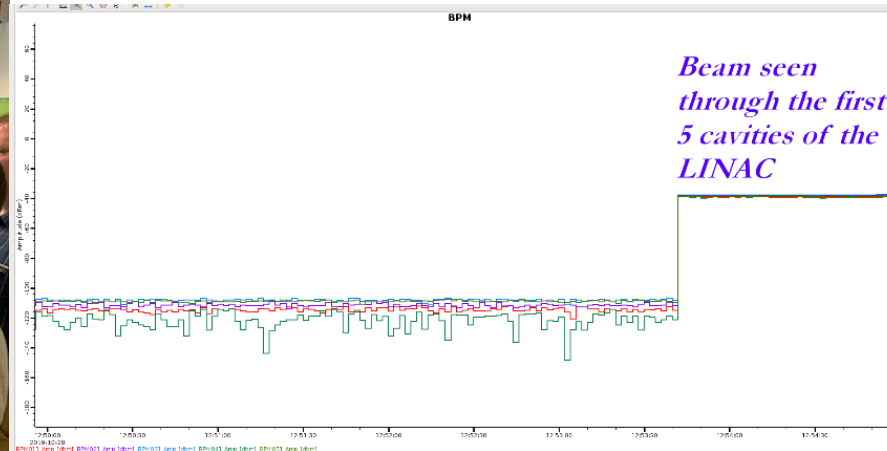
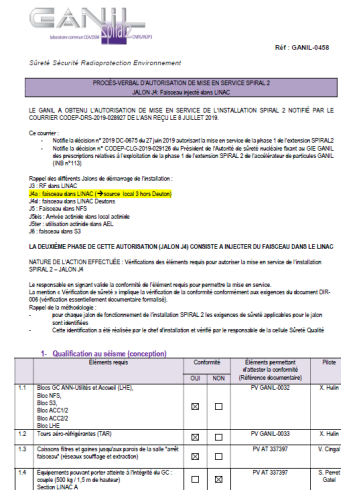
First beam in LINAC - 2019

October 28th, 2019 : internal safety authorization for the first linac beam

Very strong GANIL teams involvement to reach this milestone (J4)
(122 prerequisites, 22 safety systems validated for operation according to safety requirements)



Oct. 28th, 2019
1st beam in the LINAC
(H⁺, 250μA, 730keV, 1W)

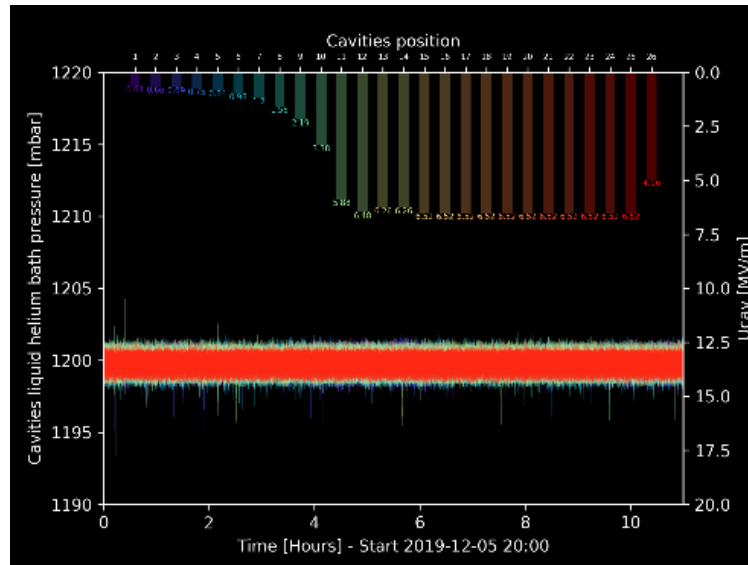


Beam seen
through the first
5 cavities of the
LINAC

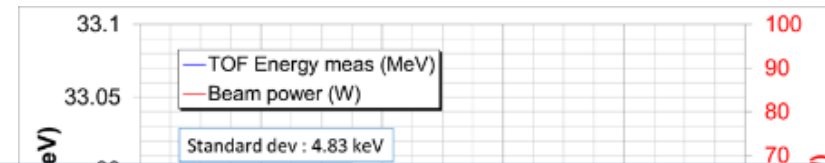


First acceleration H^+ beam 2019

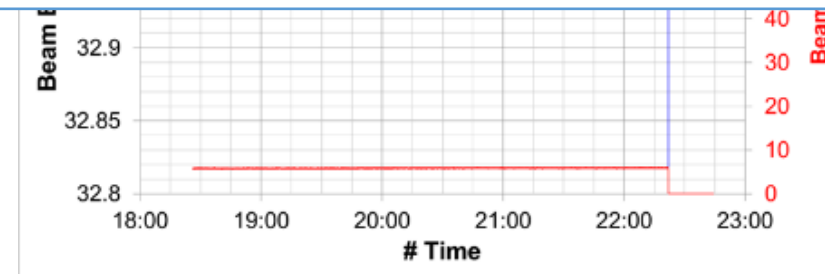
November 27th, 2019 : H^+ nominal acceleration, 33MeV
200 μ A, 960 μ s/s, 6.34W



Pressure stability over 10 hours, LINAC tuned for 33MeV proton



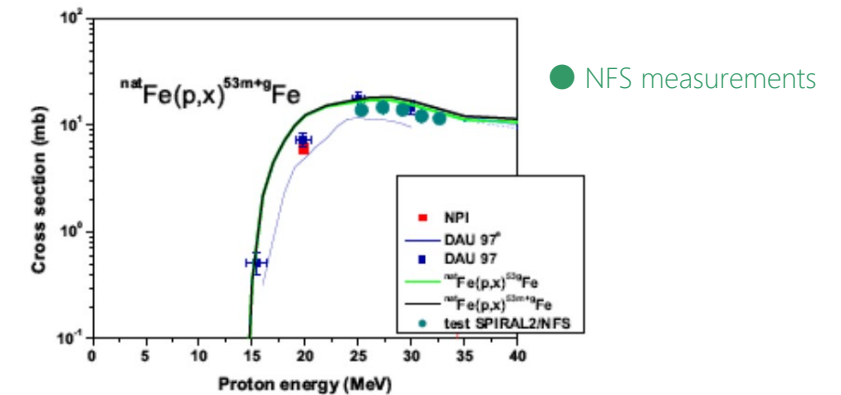
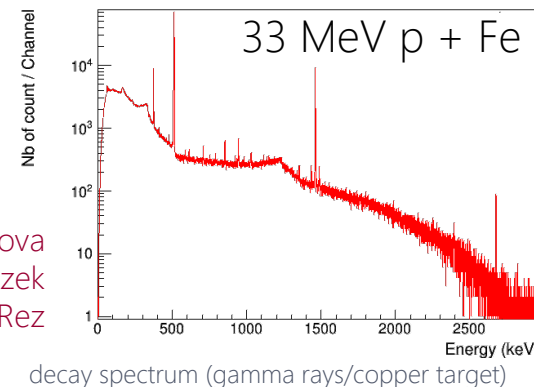
December 17, 2019 => LINAC warm up



December 11th, 2019 : H^+ beam injected in NFS experimental hall (milestone J5)

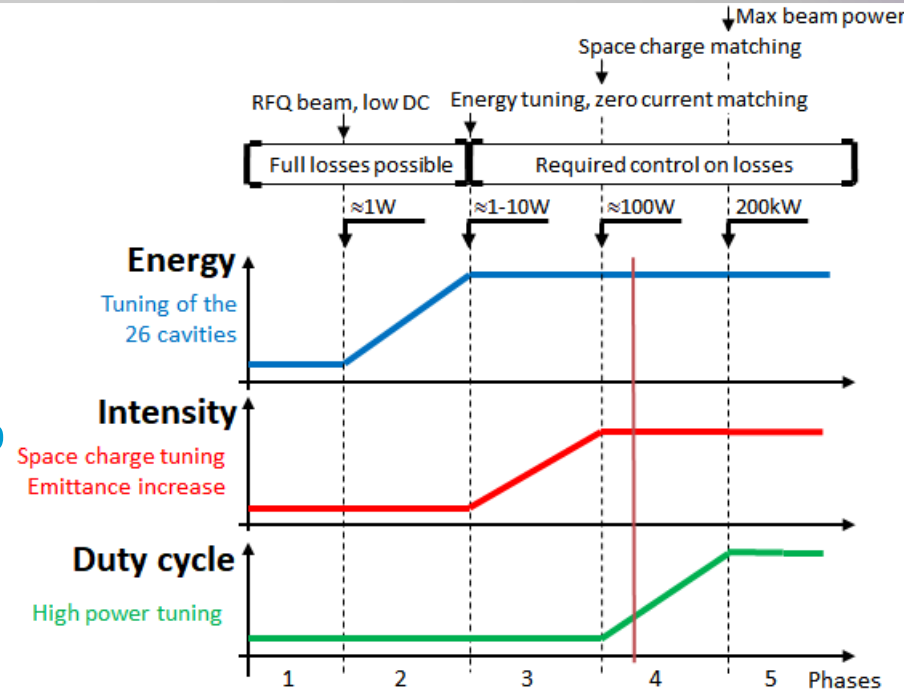
First test experiment in NFS Irradiation set up (Collab with the Nuclear Physics Institute of Czech Republic.)
Successful measurement

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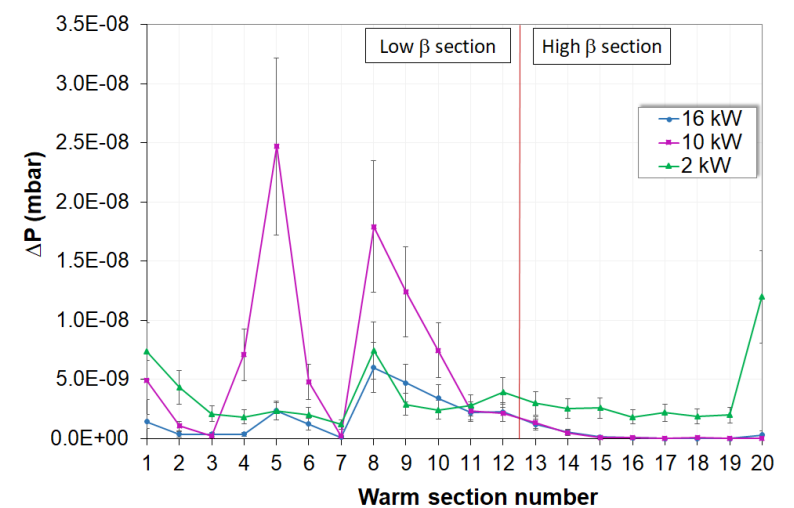
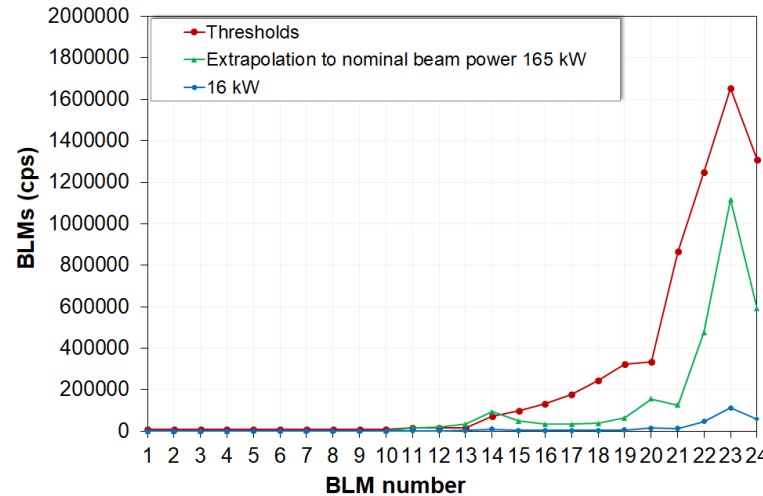
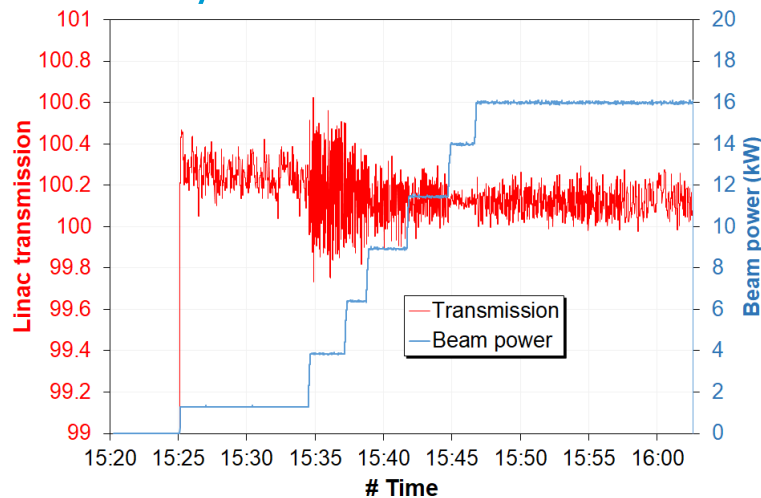
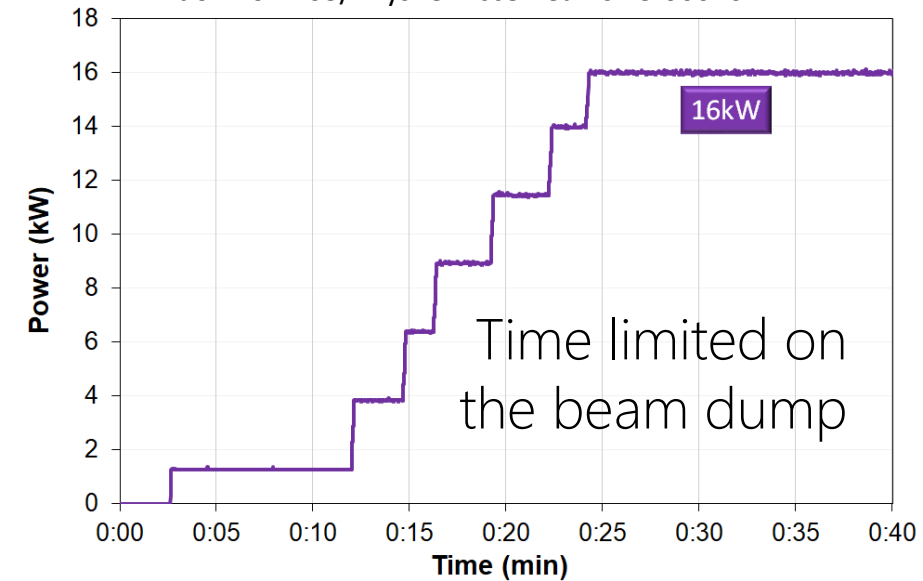


Power ramp-up 16 kW - 2020

- Major project milestone 2020
- Duty cycle @ $I_{\max}$ from 1% to 12.6% - no Single Bunch Selector (16 kW)
- Demonstration of capability to run at 100% duty cycle, $I_{\max}$, $W_{\max}$ (165kW)
- 4mA, 10Hz, 12.6ms/100ms, 31.9MeV

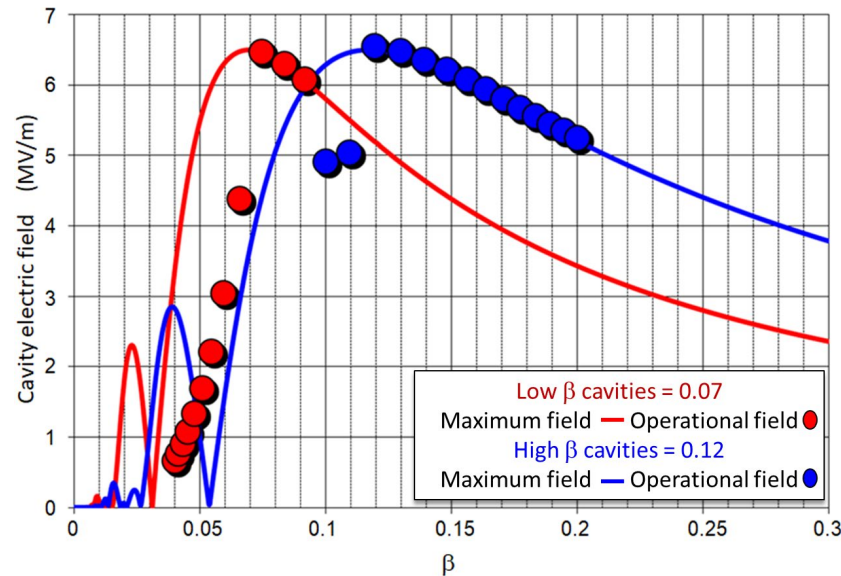


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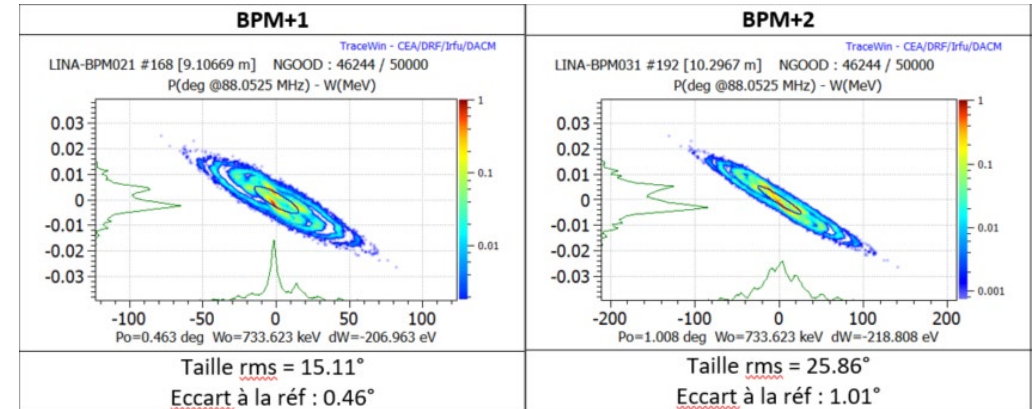
Towards the D^+ acceleration - 2020

- First tuning of the $^4\text{He}^{2+}$.
- MEFT validated, including the Single Bunch Selector
- Difficulties with the LINAC tuning with a $^4\text{He}^{2+}$:
Finally 3 weeks of Helium operation was inserted to optimize the 2021 strategy and valuated the possible difficulties.

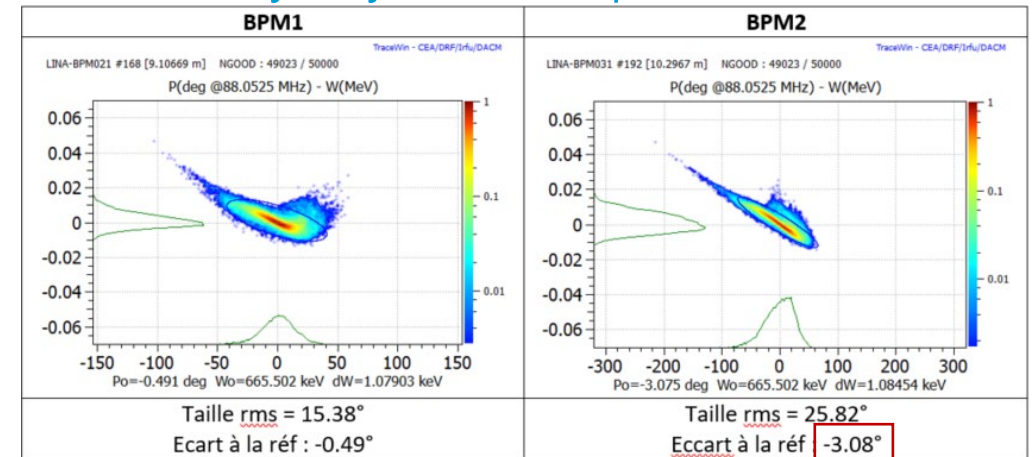


Impossible to differentiate between input energy error and cavity voltage error.

Cavity 1: Synchronous phase - 45°



Cavity 1: Synchronous phase - 180°

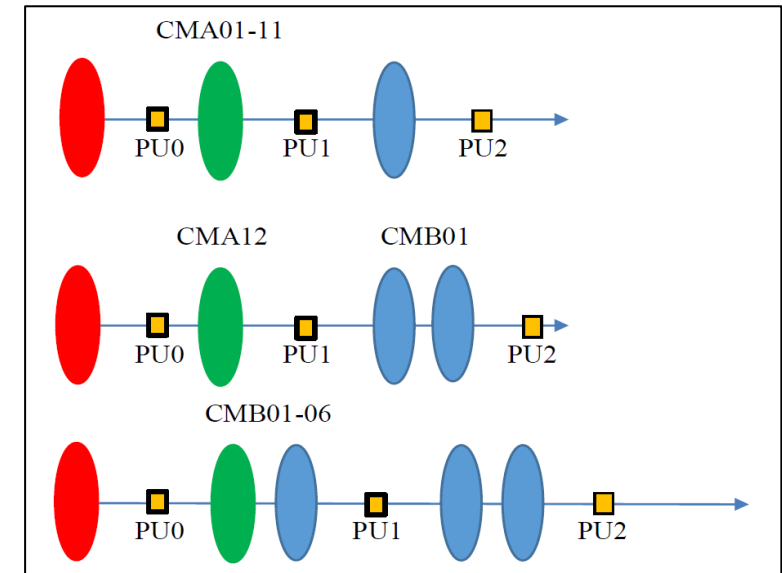


Due to the longitudinal beam size in the first cavities ($>100^\circ$), the non linear effects during the 360° phase scan is such that the ToF given by the 2 BPMs after the cavity is not the one computed (up to 5° in the worst cases)

- Cavities $\geq N$ detuned, 3 BPMs phase measurements (N-1, N, N+1)
- 360° fast scan to find buncher phase ($\sim$ nominal RF field).
- $\pm 25^\circ$ precise scan (2° step) around this buncher phase ($\sim$ nominal RF field).
- $\Phi_{\text{cav}} = \Phi_{\text{cav_rebunchers_measured}} - (\Phi_{\text{entrance_cav_theoretical}} - \Phi_{\text{entrance_cav_rebuncher_theoretical}})$.
- U_{cav} obtained by comparison between two slopes around buncher phase :
- $d(\Delta W)/d(\Phi_{\text{cav}})$ theoretical vs measured.
- Cavity N tuned with the phase and voltage correction obtained.

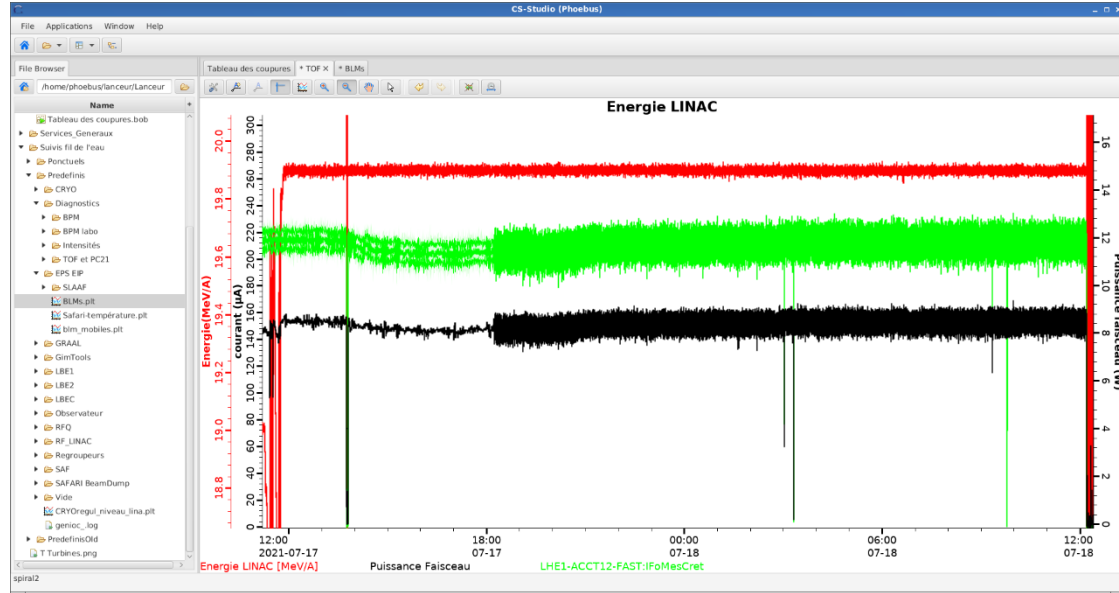
Lots of intermediate and final controls with energy :

- ToF
- BPM (2020) and phase
- BPM (2021)



Accelerated D⁺ beam - 2021

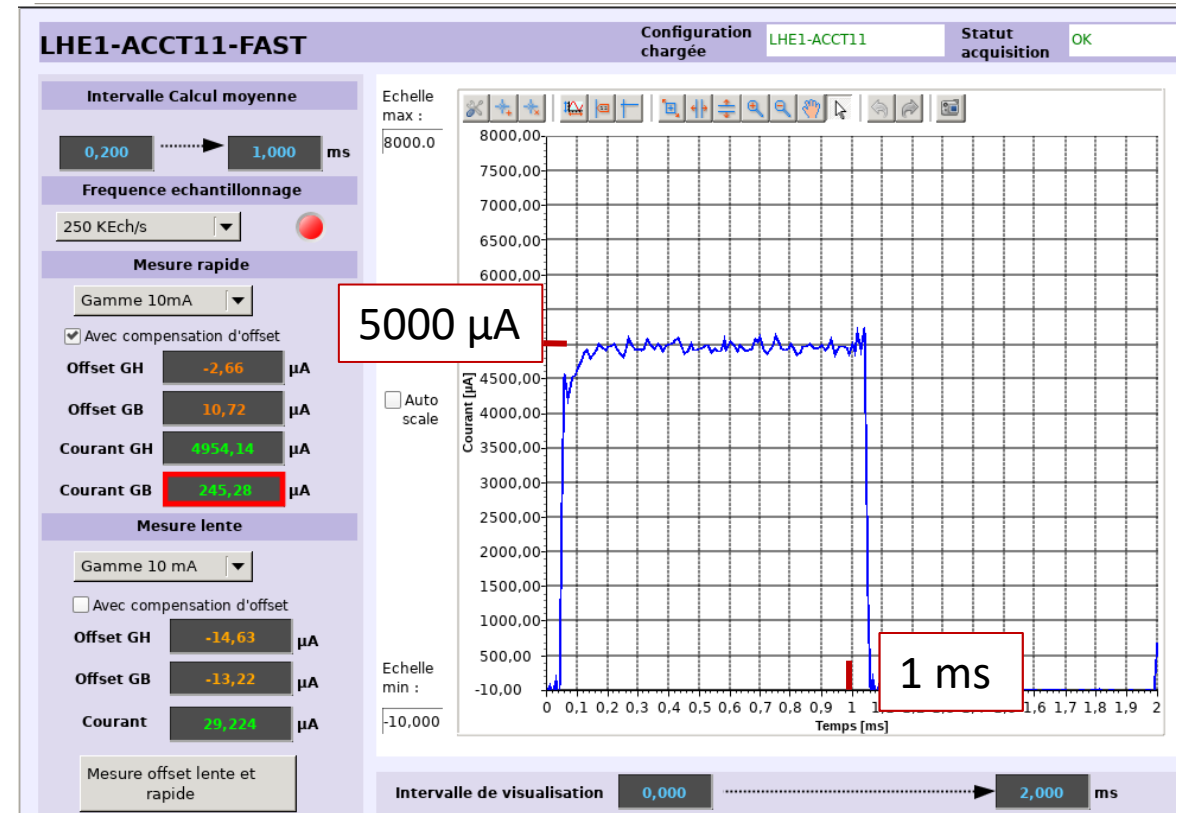
- July 17 - Linac tuned with 1.1 mA of $^4\text{He}^{2+}$ @ 20 MeV/A (A/Q=3 source)



- Linac commissioned with D⁺ beam current from 0.2 up to 5 mA
 - No retuning of the linac
 - Use of the Deuteron source

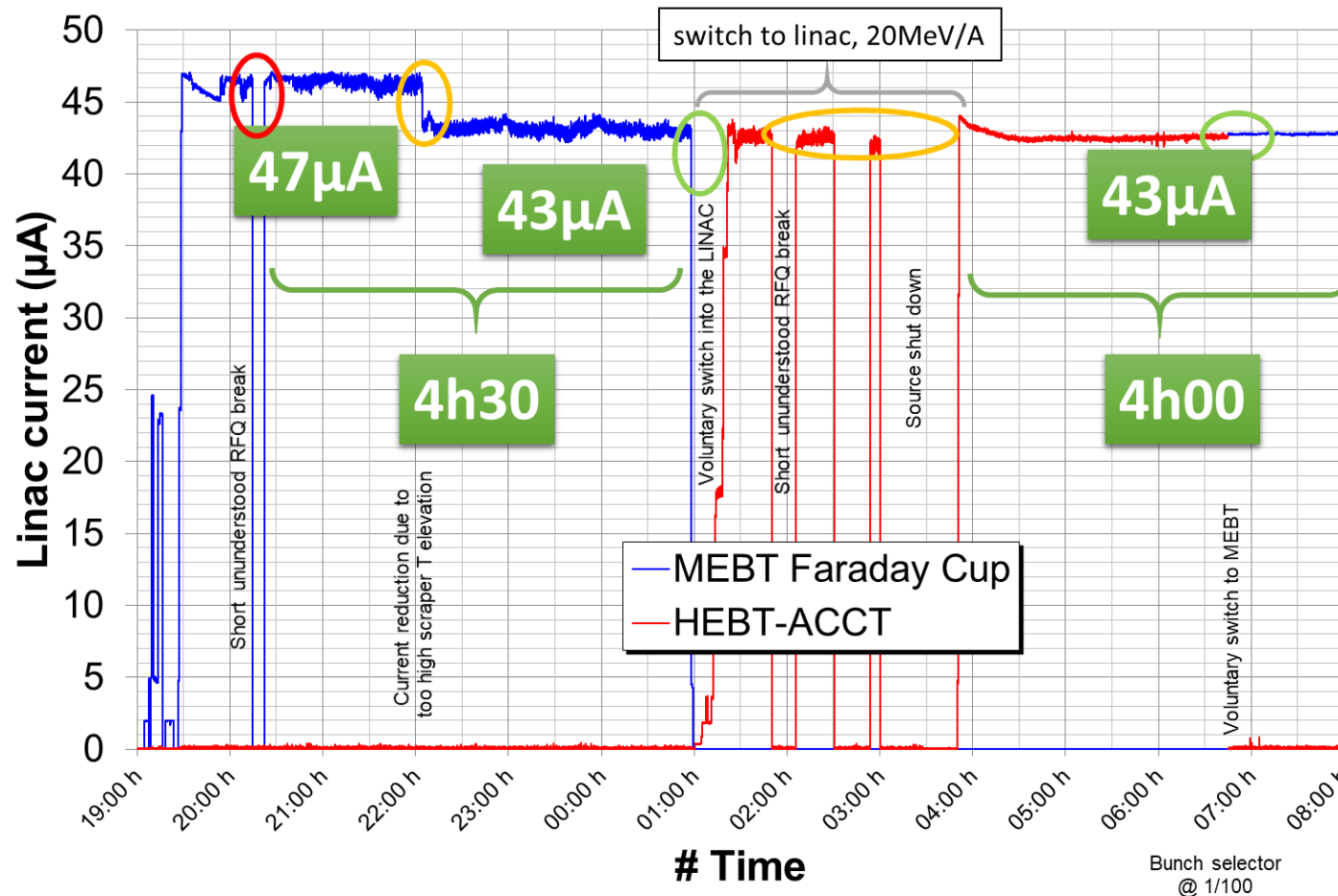
20 MeV/A energy validated

- July 30 – Acceleration of a 5 mA D⁺ beam with a 1ms/s pulsed beam (without SBS)
- Transmission in the linac > 99.8% (not yet optimized)



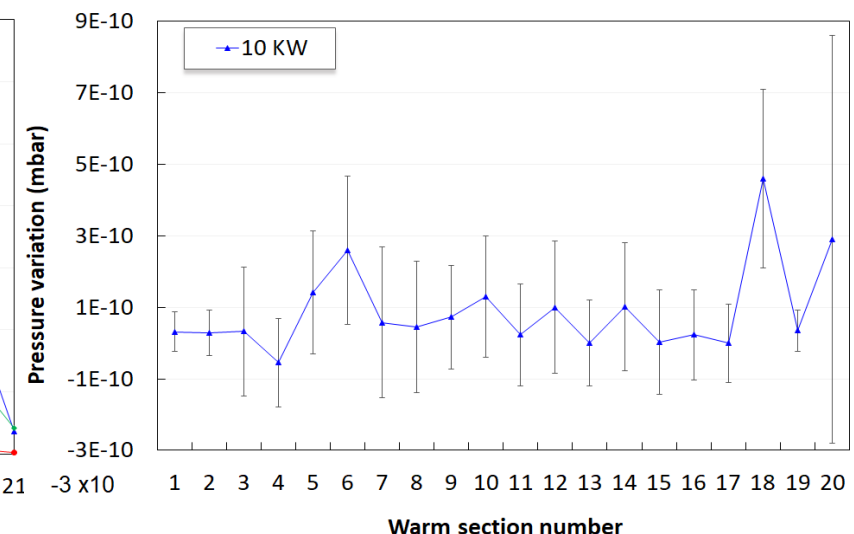
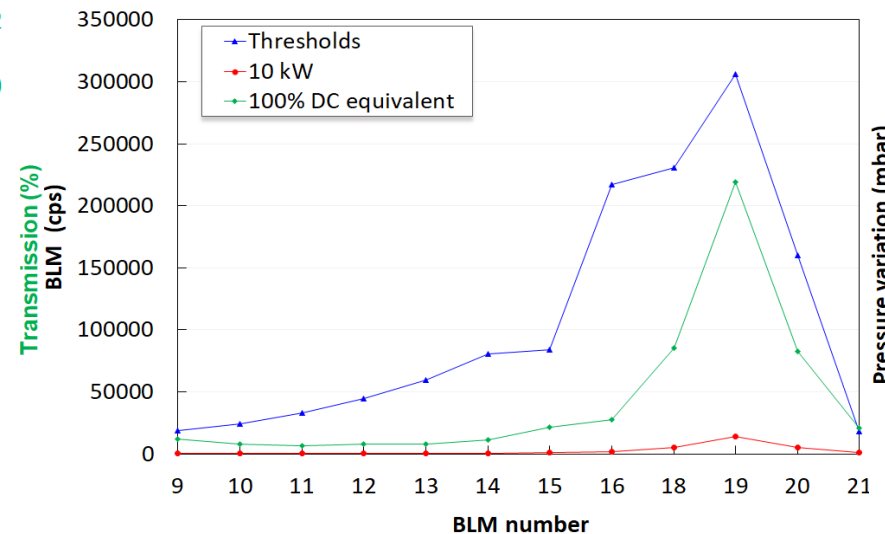
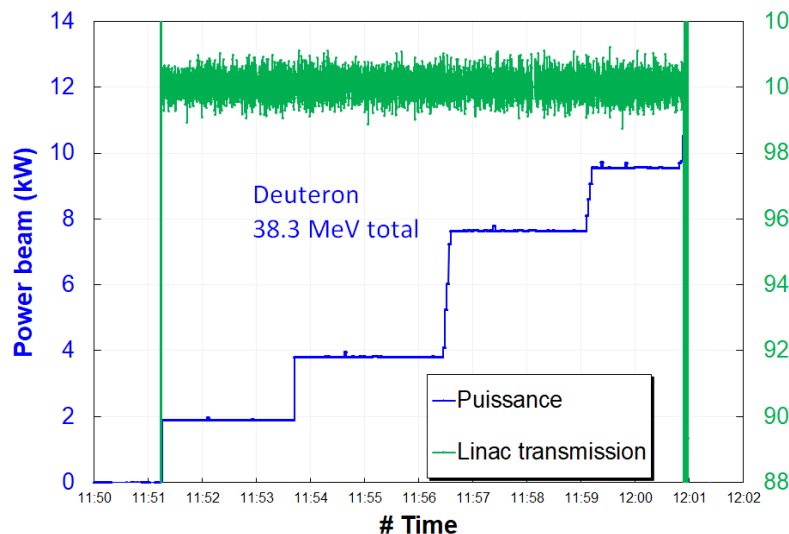
I max tuning on target - 2021

- I max tuning with the SBS 50 μA in target.
- Beam current increase to 46.5 μA in the MEBT and later in the HEBT.
- Stabilized beam at 43 μA average with the SBS (1/100).



Power ramp-up 10 kW - 2021

- The SPIRAL2 facility has been successfully commissioned with D⁺ beam.
- Power ramp-up with a final energy of 38.3 MeV (one cavity not working).
- The margin between the extrapolation and the 1 W/m limit indicates the feasibility to work with the nominal 200 kW deuteron beam power.
- Excellent agreement between measurements and reference simulations.



A. K. Orduz *et al.*, Deuteron Beam Power Ramp-Up at SPIRAL2. IPAC'22.
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1st Neutron production @ SPIRAL2

- 2020: 6 tests periods from September to November, only with H^+ beam.

- ◆ Tests required to produce and characterize the neutron beam at the Neutron for Science facility :
 - Thin convertor test -> for quasi-mono energetic neutrons
 - Thick convertor -> for continuous neutron spectrum (using max proton beam power available in 2020)

- 2021: 6 periods September to December with D^+ and H^+ beams.

- ◆ Gradual increase in power in the thick Be convertor (200 to 1350 W).
- ◆ Temperature measurements with 3 probes for a comparison with simulations

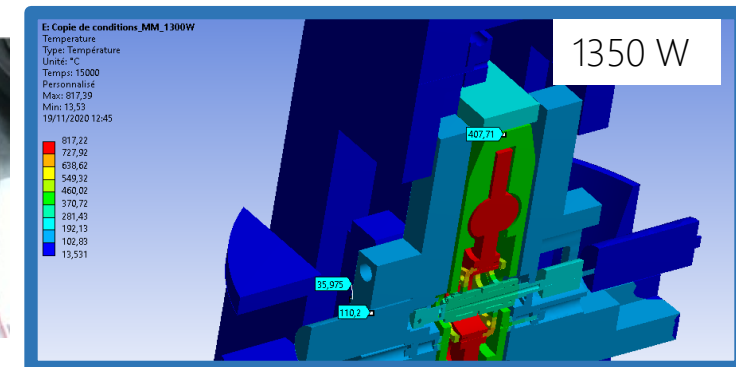
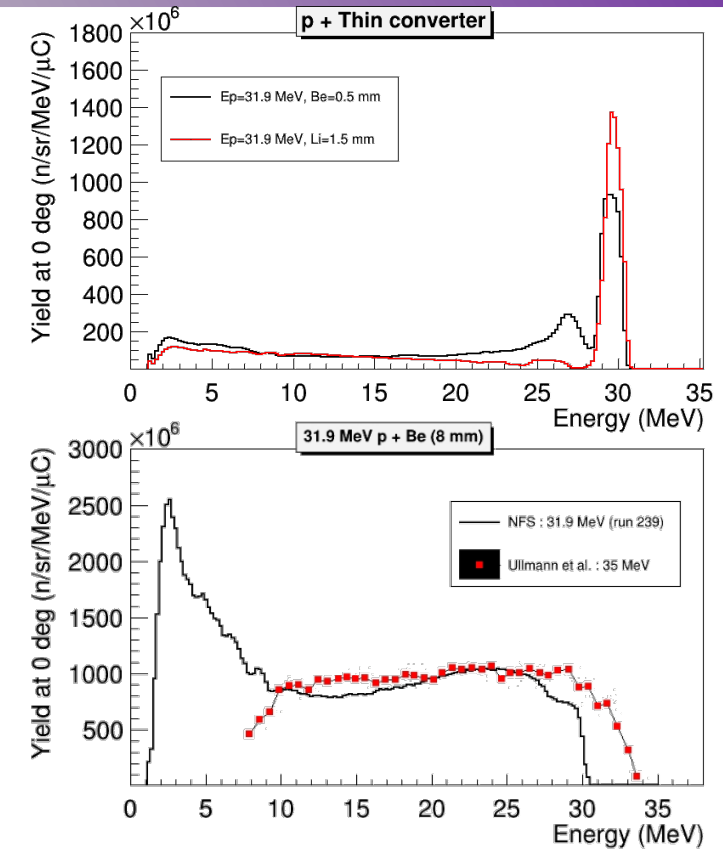
Peak ratio ($E > 28.5$ MeV) / total ($E > 2$ MeV):

p + Li (1.5 mm) : 51% ($1.77E9$ n/sr/ μ C)

p + Be (0.5 mm) : 32%

p + Be (thick) $E > 10$ MeV

NFS 31.9 MeV : $1.81E10$ n/sr/ μ C



- **2020 50% Physics 50% Commissioning.** Tests required to produce and characterize the neutron beam at the Neutron for Science facility
- **2021 60% Physics 40% Commissioning.** Gradual increase in power in the thick Be convertor (200 to 1350 W)
- Continuous transfer between the commissioning phase and operation for users.
 - Training of all technical teams (software, data, control, safety) on operation, interfaces and procedures.
- Permanent collaboration with national and international laboratories for the transfer of experience and knowledge.
- SPIRAL commissioning validation with international experts in 2 reviews in 2015 and 2021.
- Developments for machine operation and control improvements.
- SPIRAL2 posters presented at this conference:
 - MOPOPA015, *3 Years of Operation of the SPIRAL2 LINAC – RF feedback*, M. Di Giacomo et al.
 - MOPORI11, *Seismic Analysis Safety requirements for the Spiral2 Accelerator*, C. Barthe-Dejean et al.
 - TUPOGE002, *3 Years of Operation of the SPIRAL2 LINAC – Cryogenics SC RF feedback*, P-E. Bernaudin et al.
 - TUPOGE003, *Advanced Cryogenic Process Control of the SPIRAL2 Superconducting LINAC*, Adnan Ghribi et al.
 - THPOPA13, *Superconducting Cavity and RF Control loop model for the SPIRAL2 LINAC*, F. Bouly et al.

- ✓ The SPIRAL2 facility was commissioned successfully.
- ✓ The four planned phases were completed in time led to start the operation for users.
- ✓ The beam power ramp-up with H^+ and D^+ demonstrate the reliability of the linac.
- ✓ Beam physics started already in 2021.

- Heavy ions required for S3 in 2023
 - Demonstration of cavities fields at their maximum value
 - Individual demonstration already achieved – without beam
 - Machine tunability to be demonstrated @ 14.5 MeV/A
 - S3 Commissioning
- NewGain injector for $A/Q < 7$
 - The new project has already started and reached the construction phase to build a third injector for heavier beams with A/Q up to 7.

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