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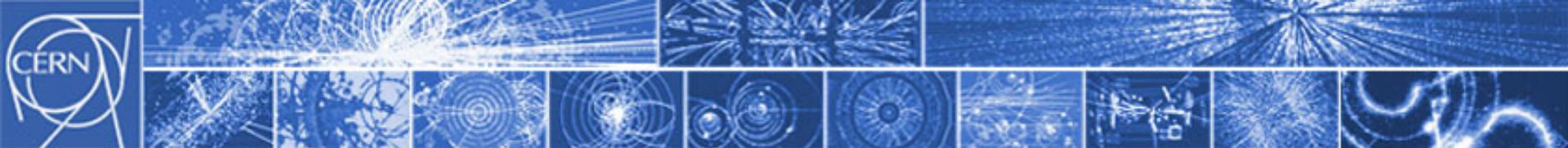
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Electron clouds are created in accelerators when bunches of positive charge accelerates the stray electrons already floating in the tube towards the walls, producing secondary electrons that are again accelerated by the next bunch, resulting in electrons multiplication bunch after bunch.

UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS: emittance blow up, thermal loads, pressure rises, beam losses, rise of detector's background.

CURES: clearing electrodes (pull electrons with a polarized electrode), trap electrons with an axial magnetic field, limit electron multiplication by **reducing the Secondary Electron Yield (SEY)** of the walls of the beam pipe.

Reduction of SEY by coating the internal surface of the beampipes.

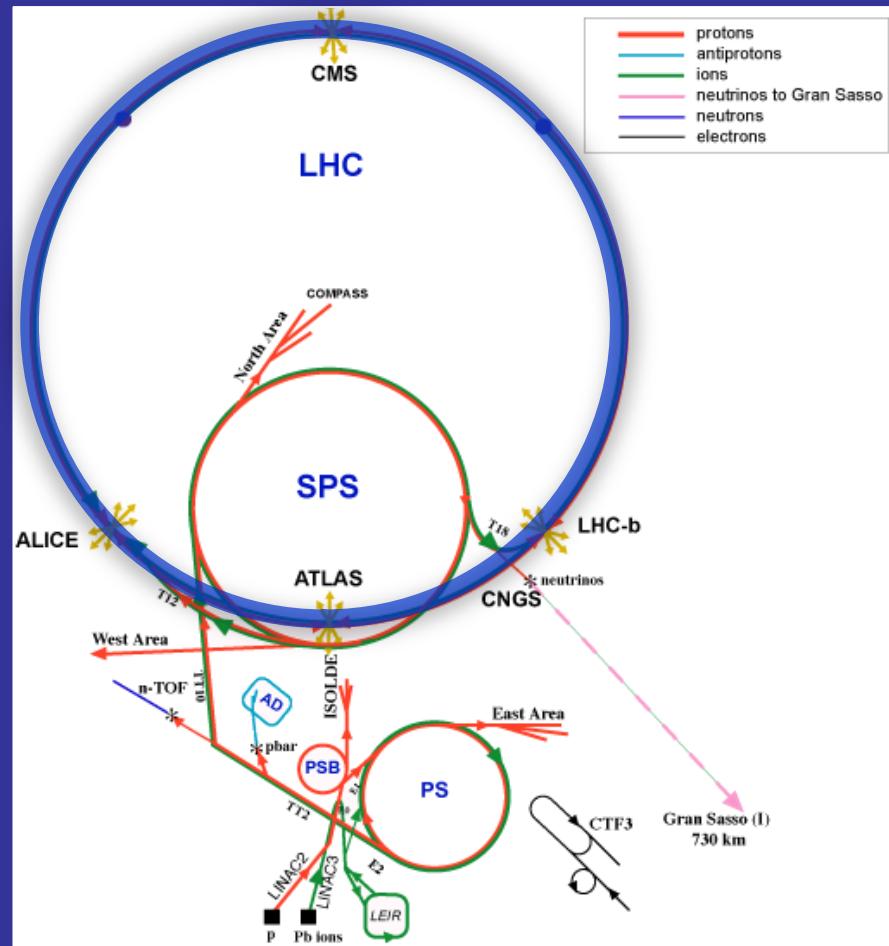
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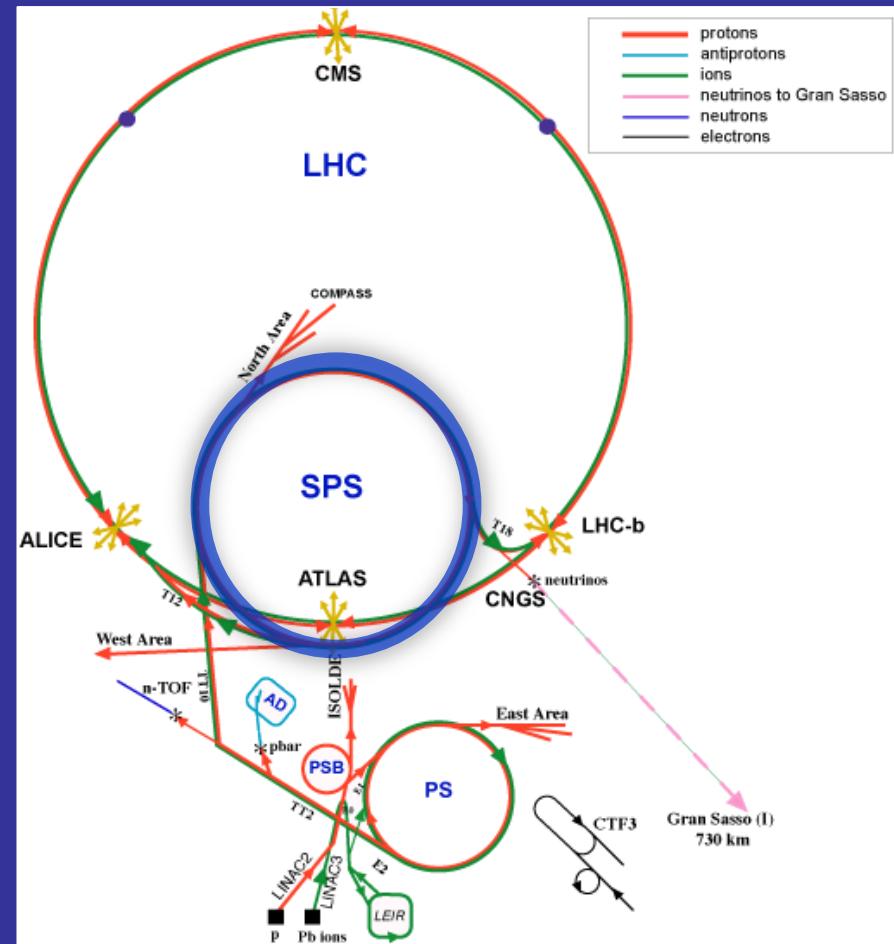
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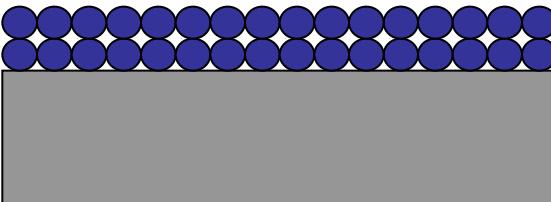


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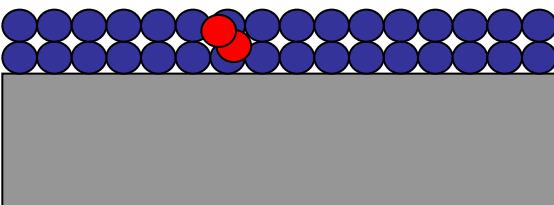
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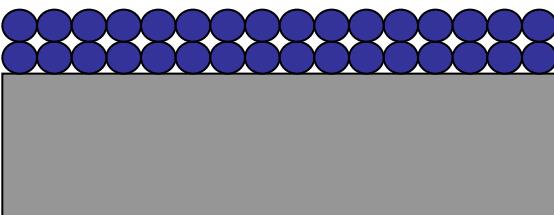
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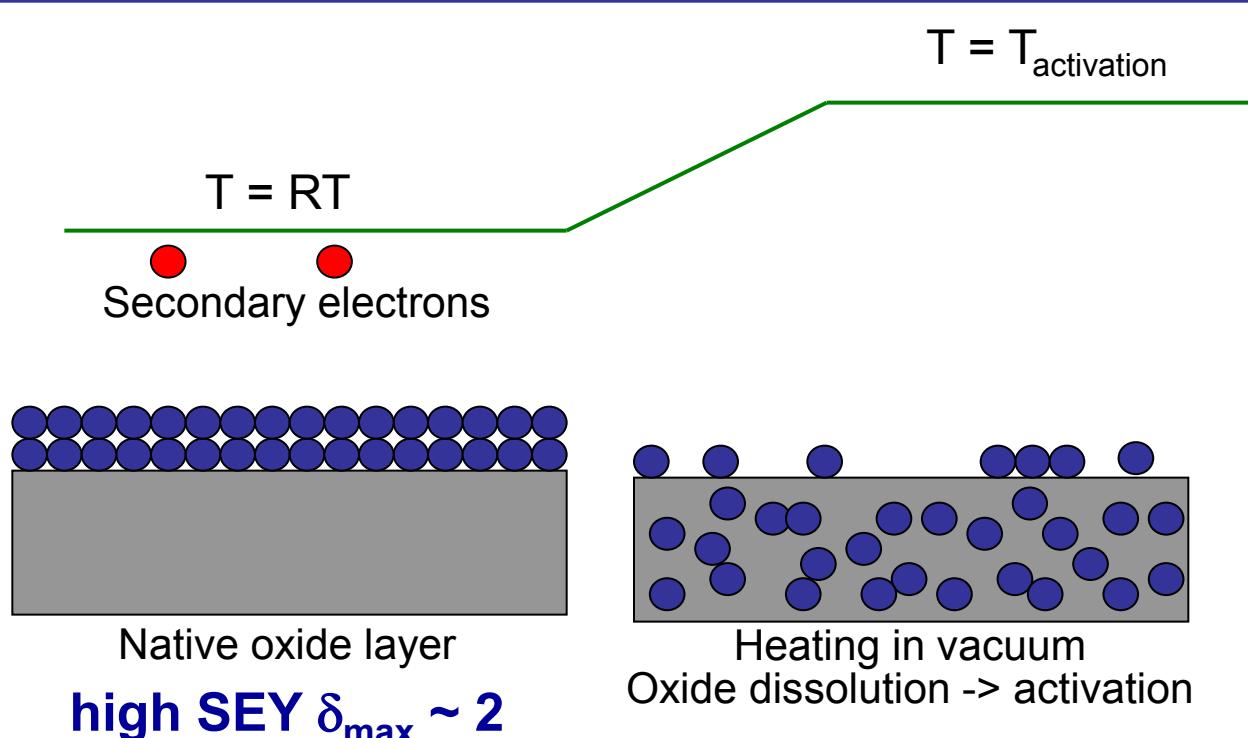


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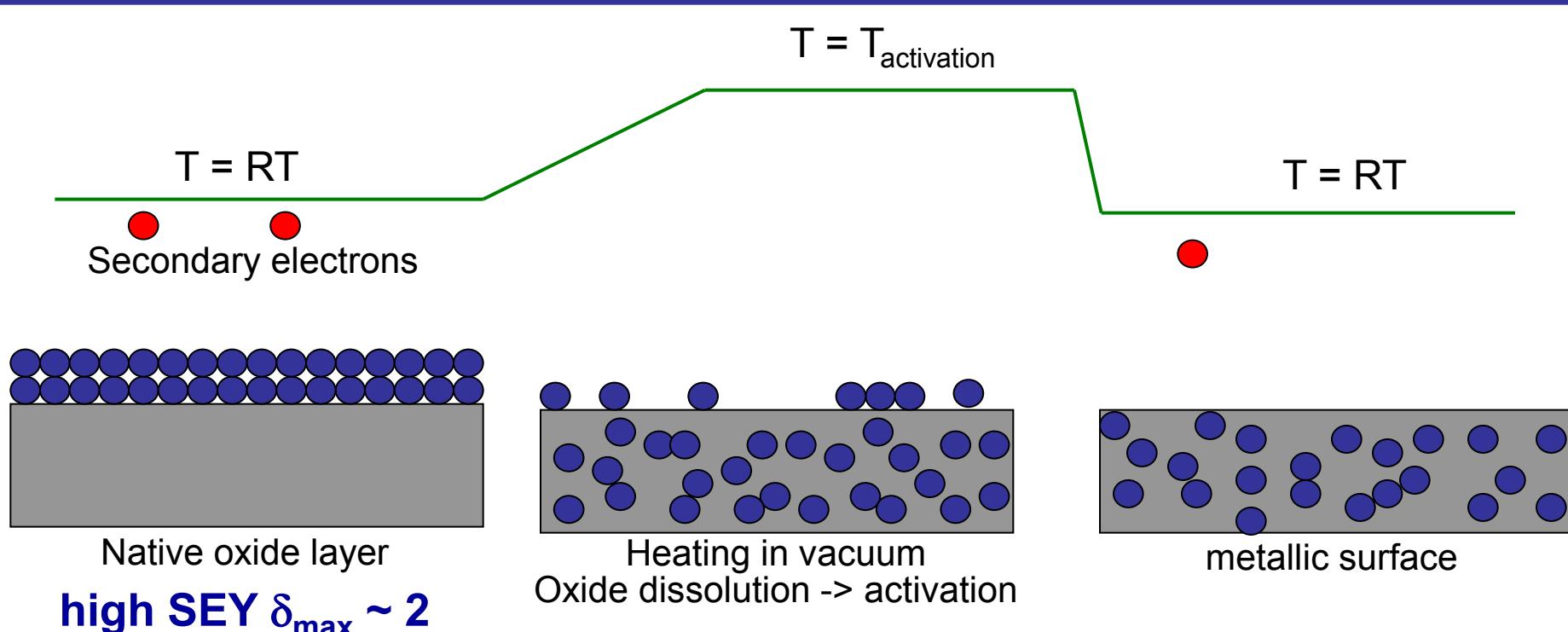
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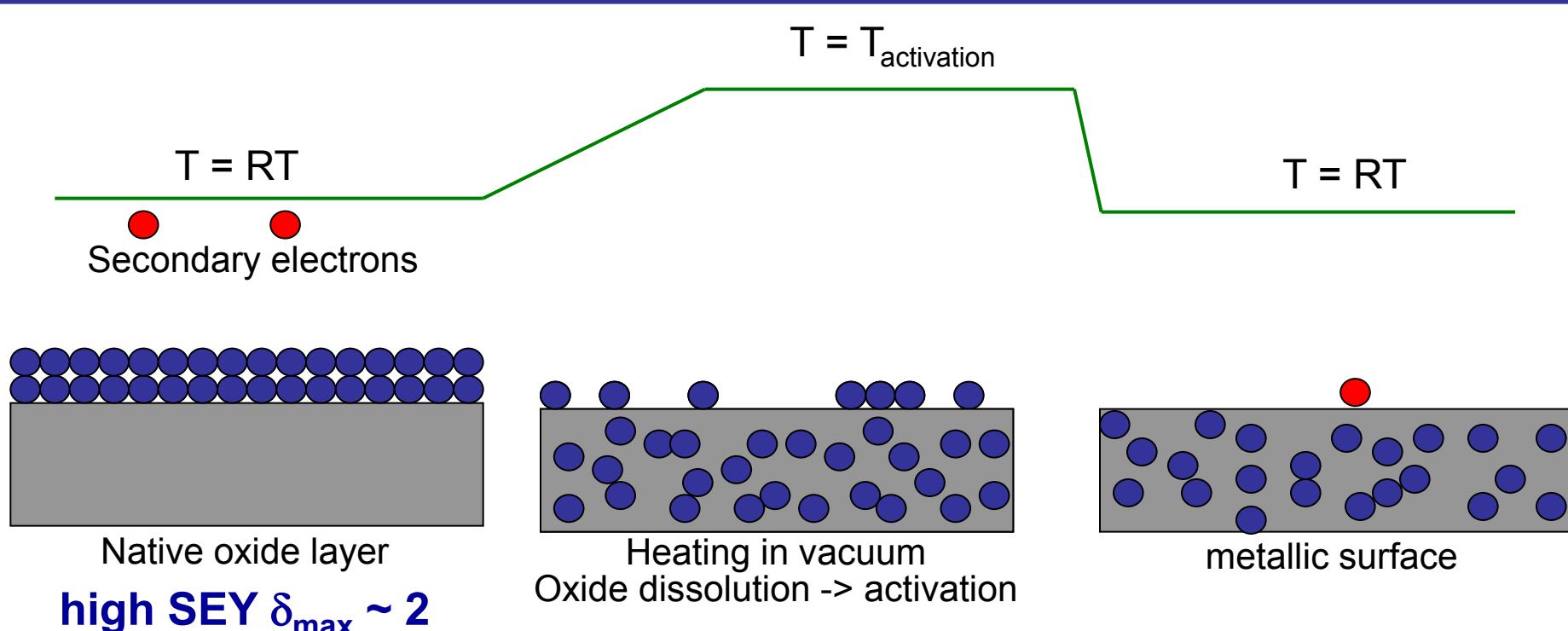
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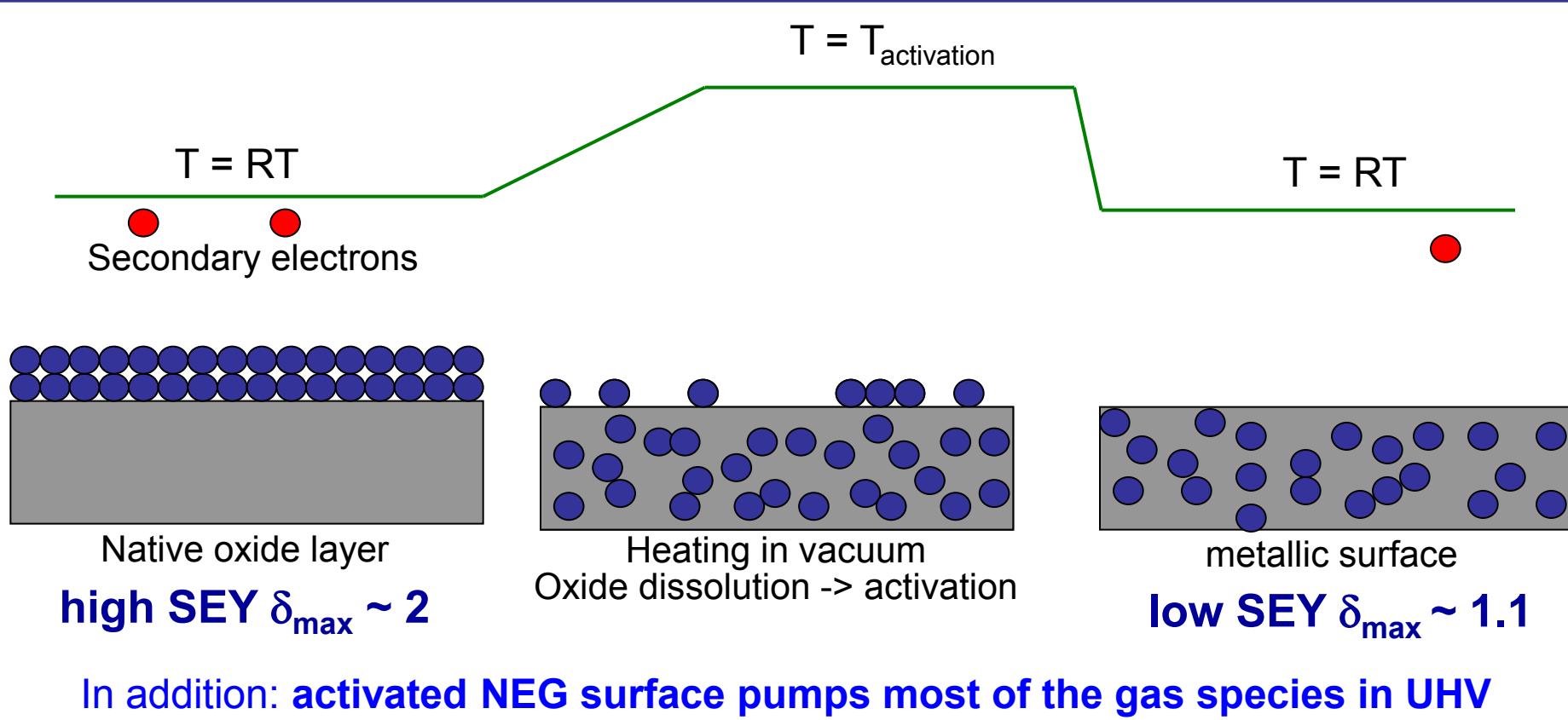
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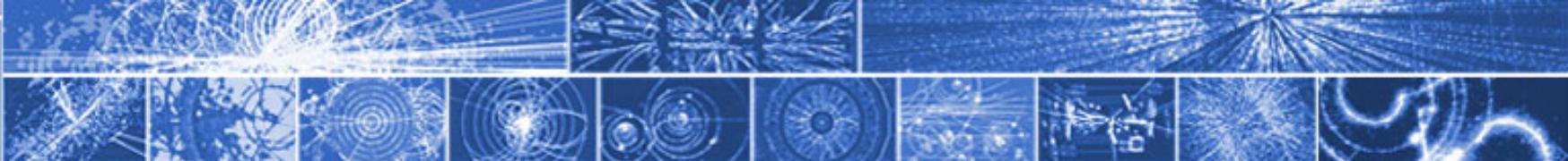
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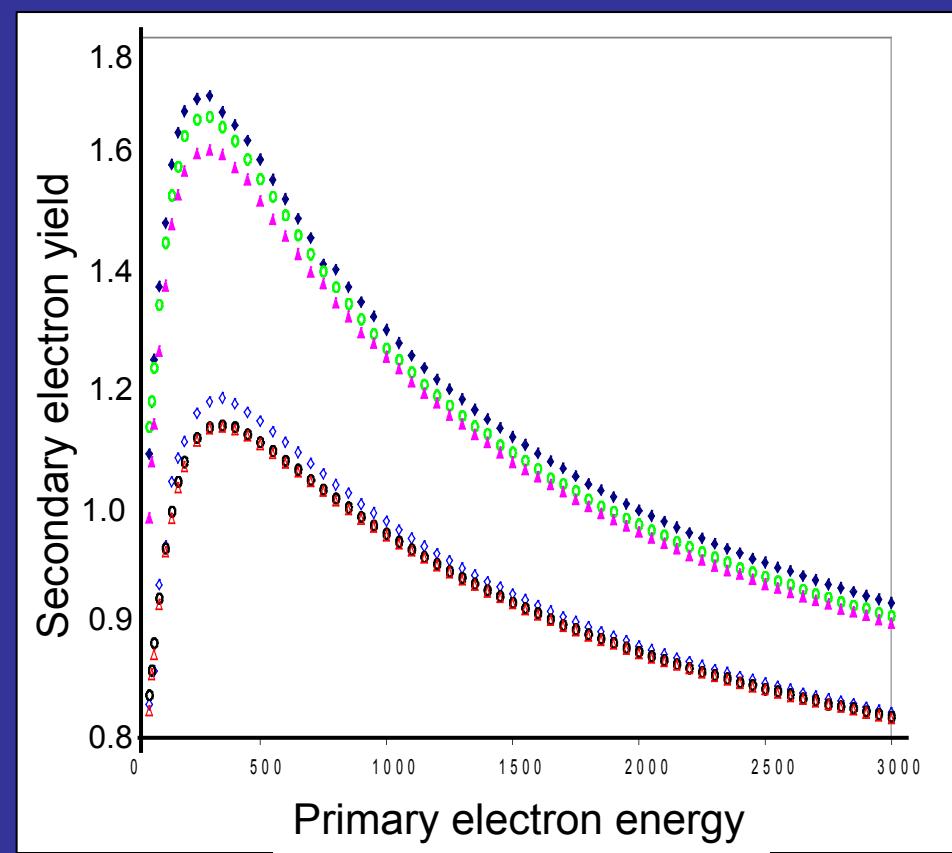
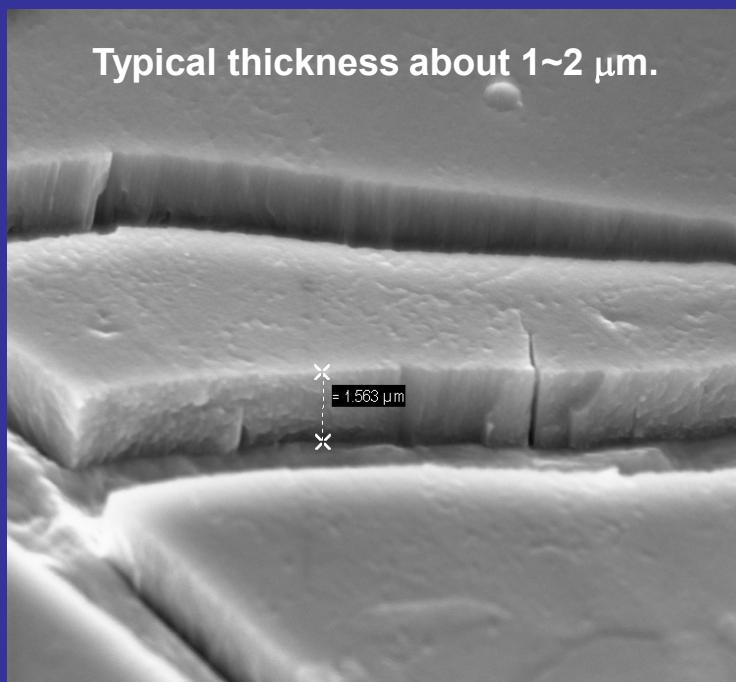




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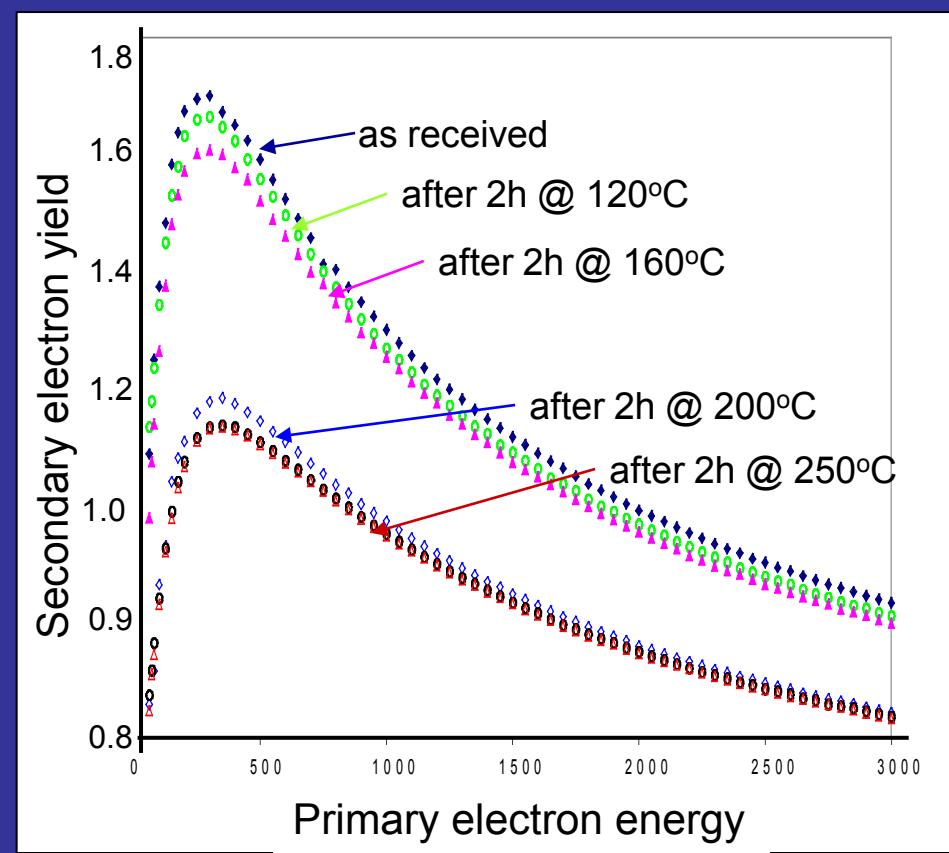
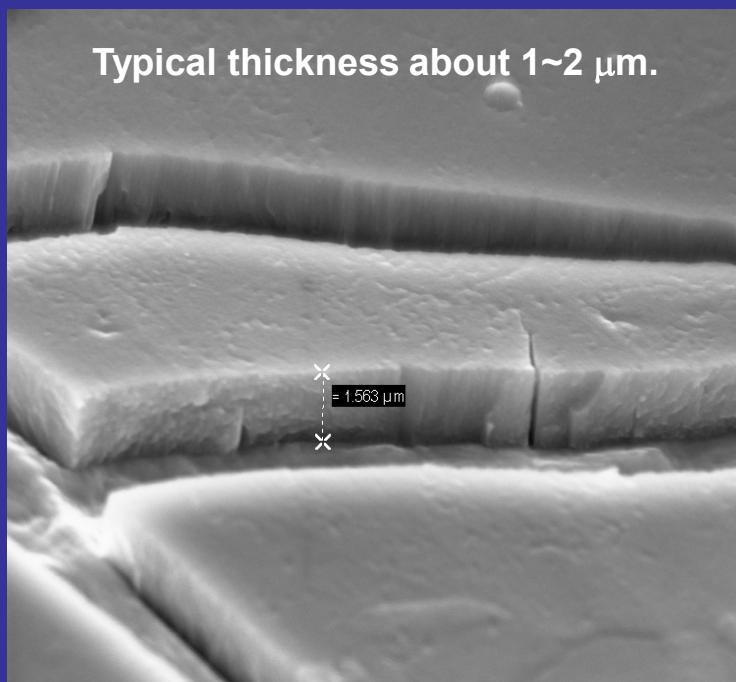
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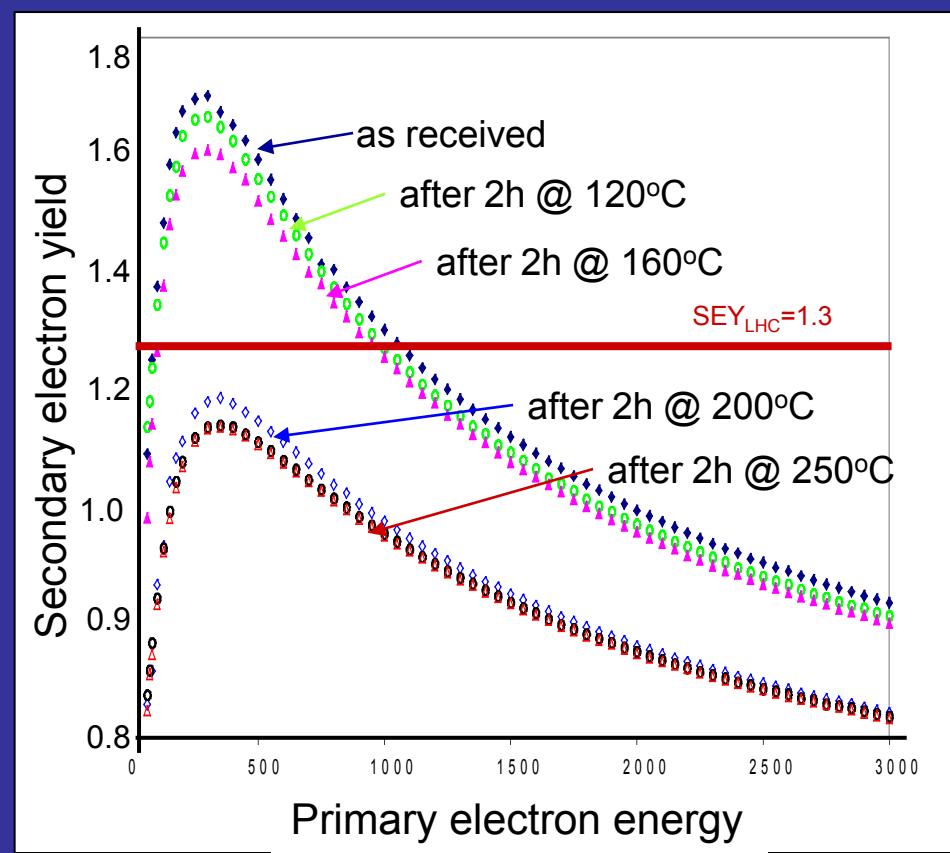
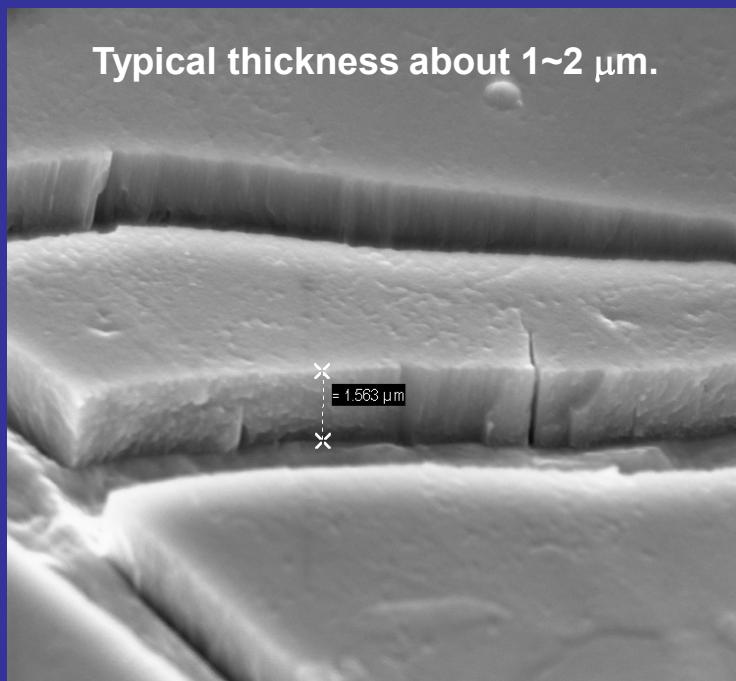
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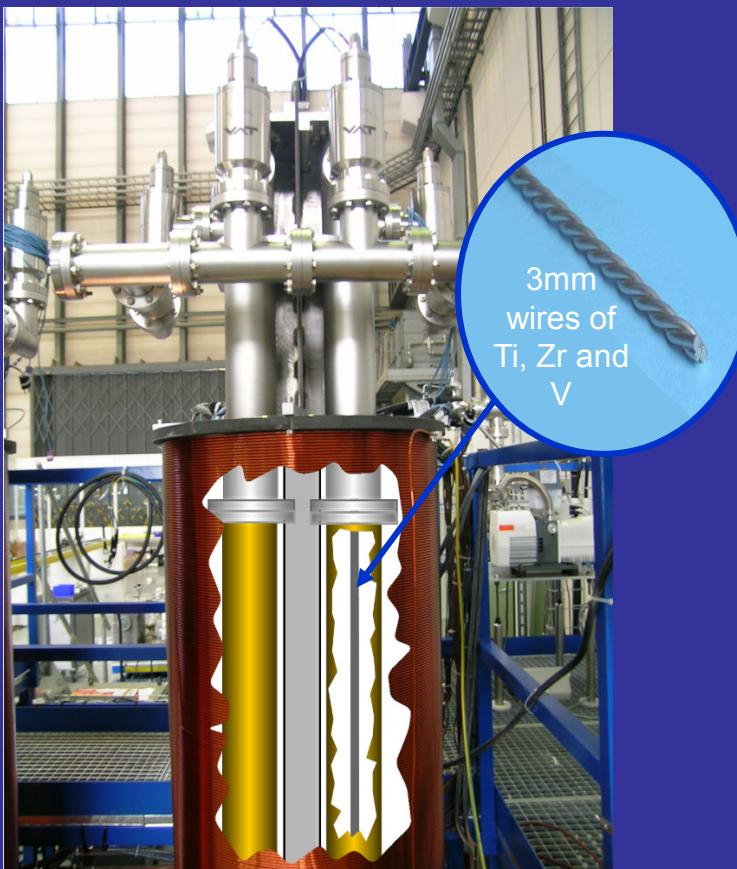
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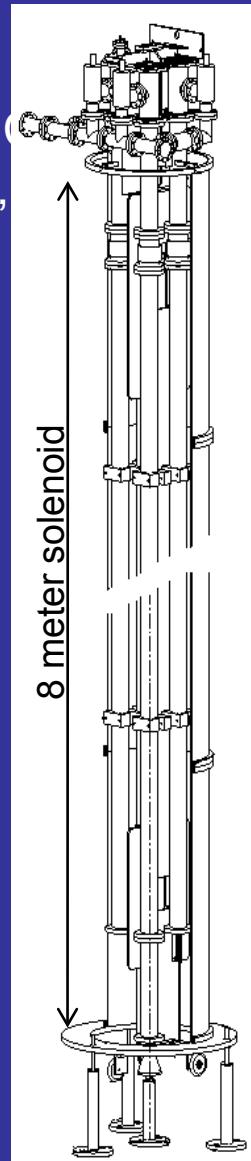
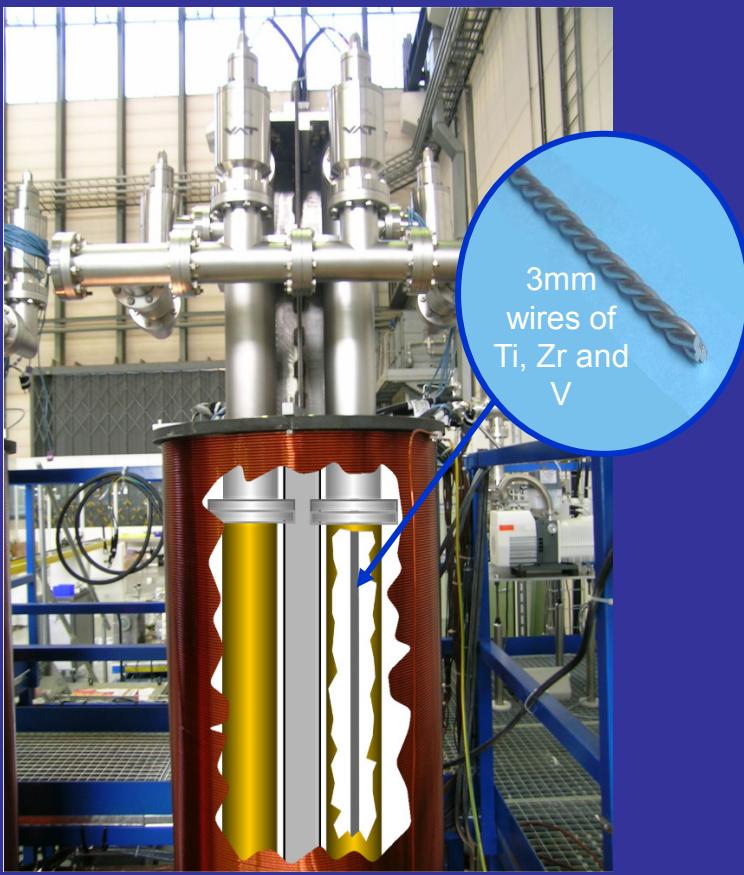
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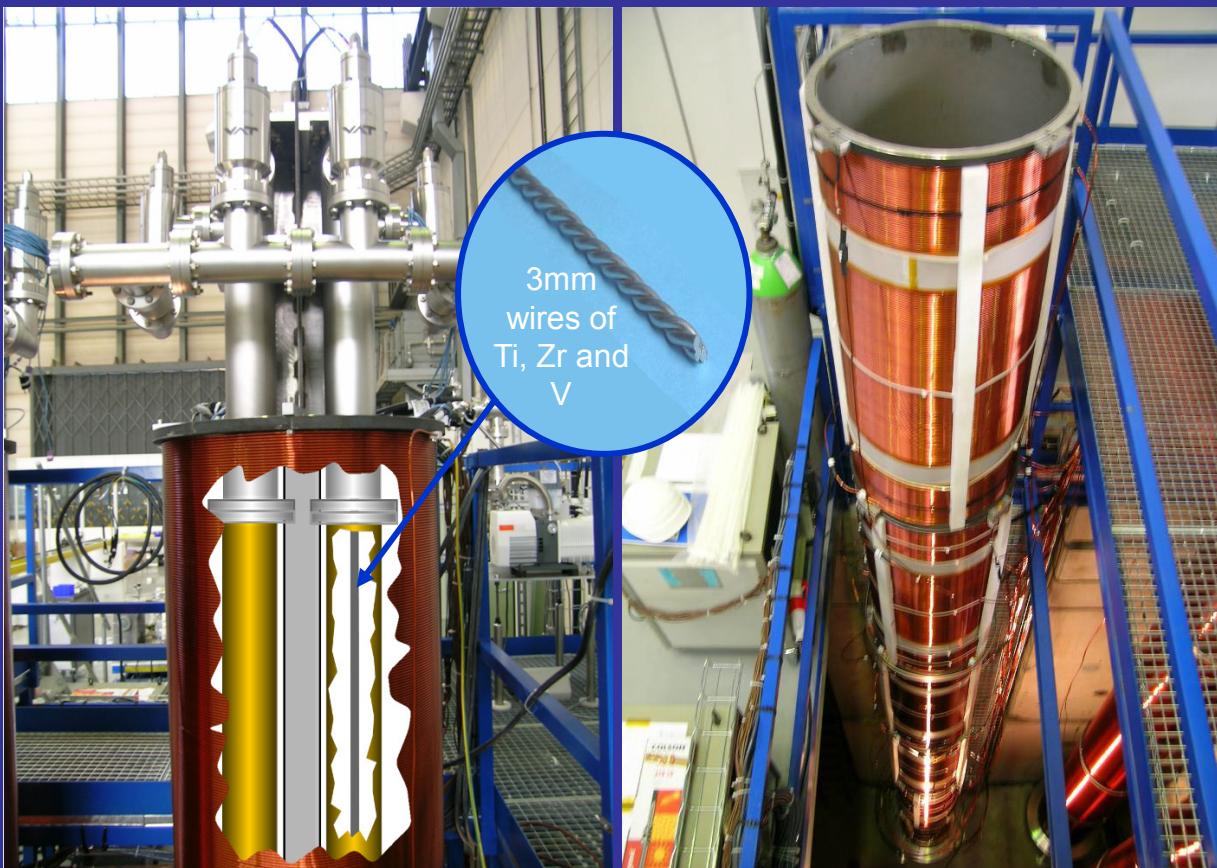
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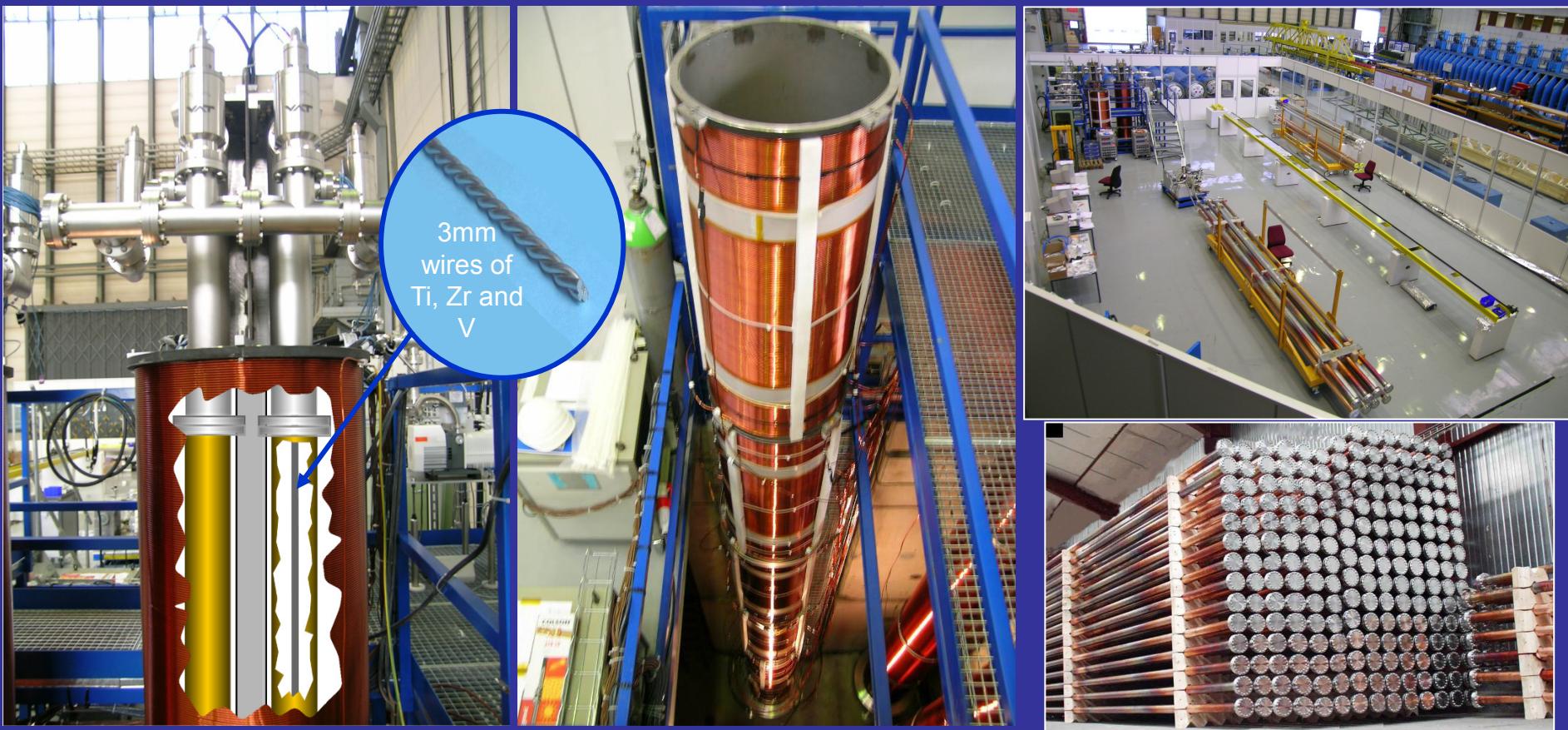
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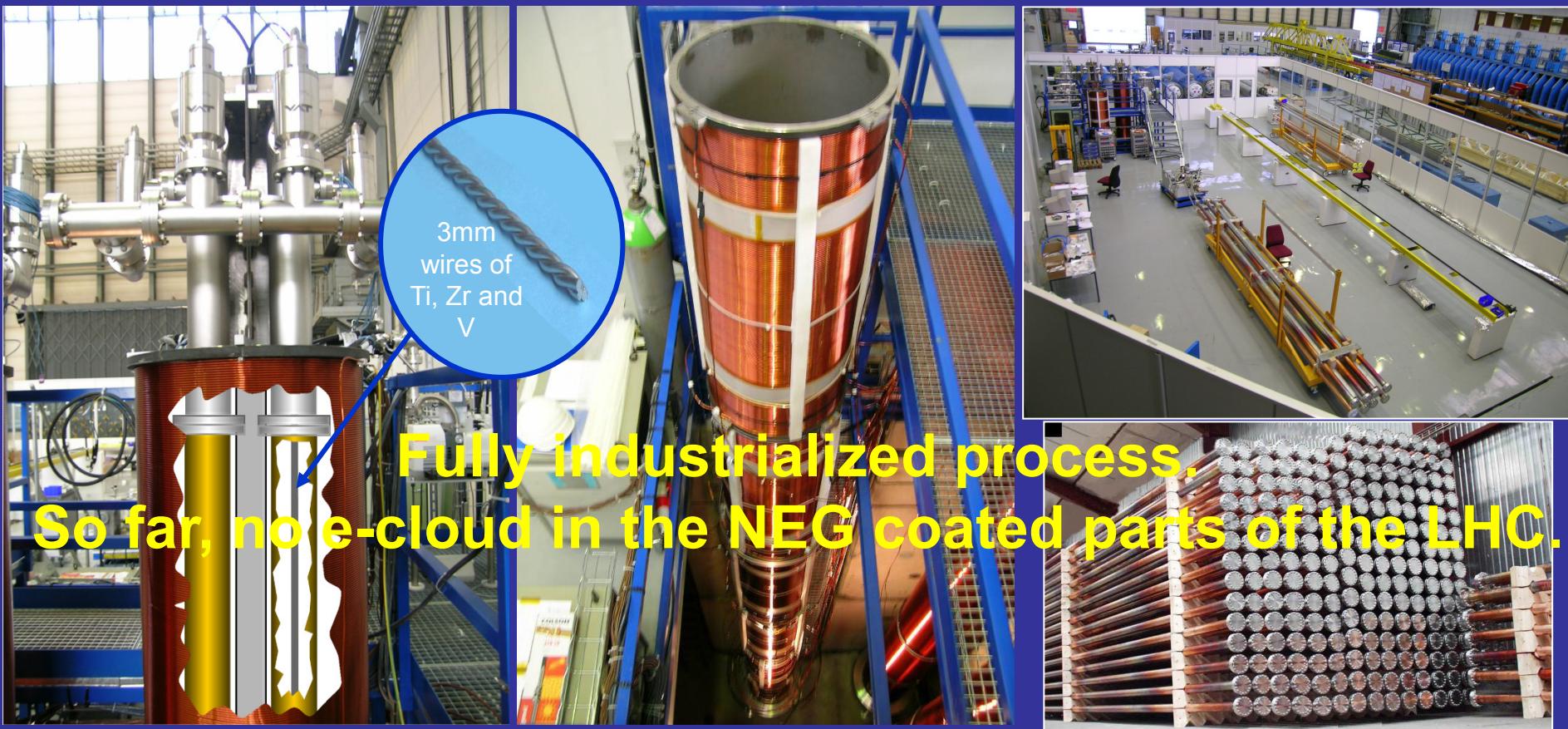
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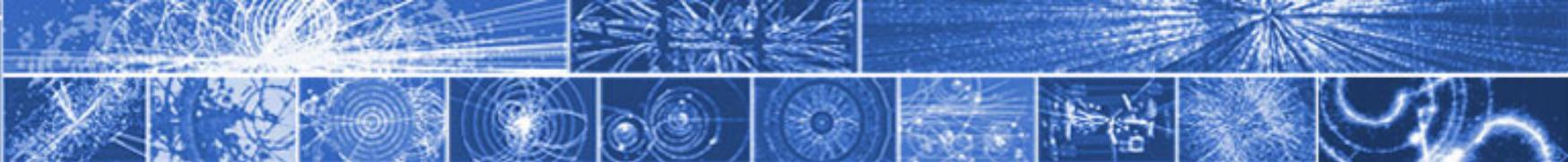
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SPS dipole: 6.5 m, ~16 tons, non bakeable, Radioactive, >700 magnets to be coated.



Why carbon? Because **graphite** has low SEY and is not very reactive.

Why sputtering? Because it favours **sp₂ hybridization** in C-C bonds. Diamond: 100% sp₃ HIGH SEY

How to do it?... Two possible scenarios:

1) **Coat new beampipes**: disassemble the magnets, insert coated beampipes, re-assemble magnets. **Easy for coating process (< 0.5M USD)**
Expensive to disassemble/re-assemble: 17M USD

2) **Coat actual beampipes** inside the magnets.

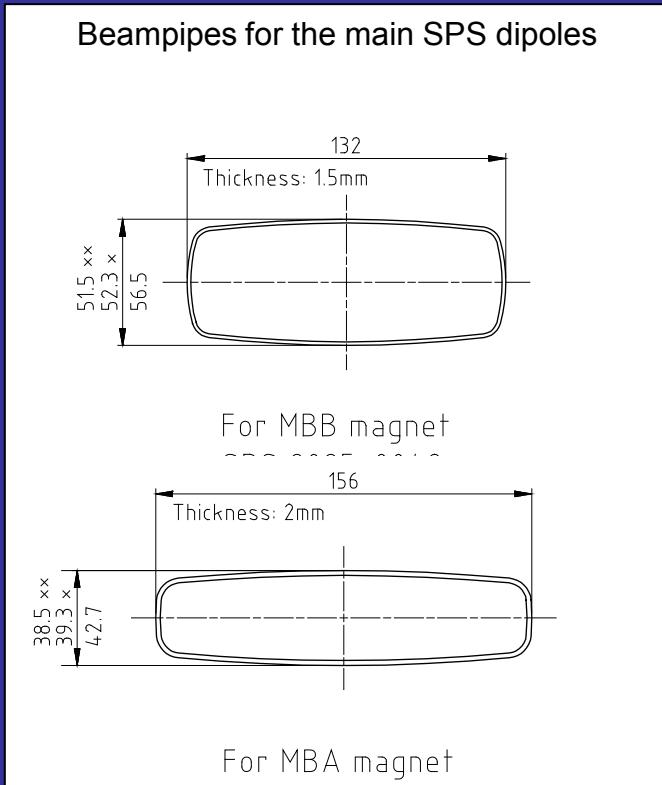
Difficult for coating process

Cheaper: 4M USD (coating < 0.5M USD)

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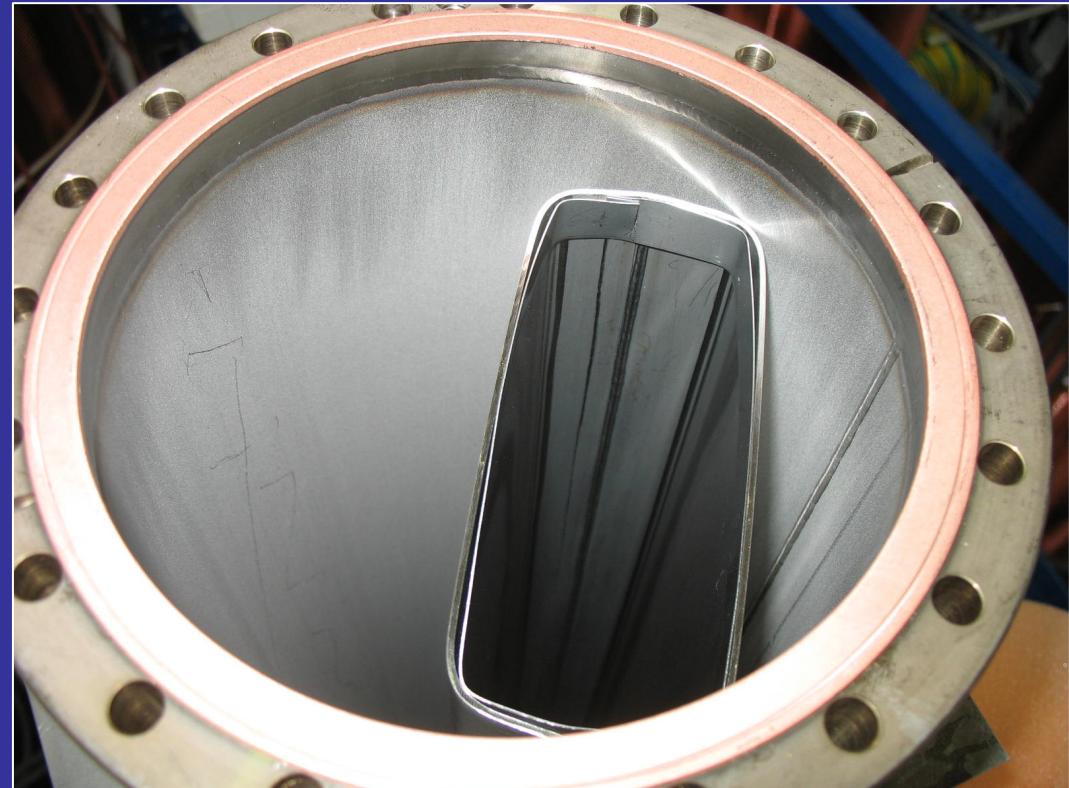
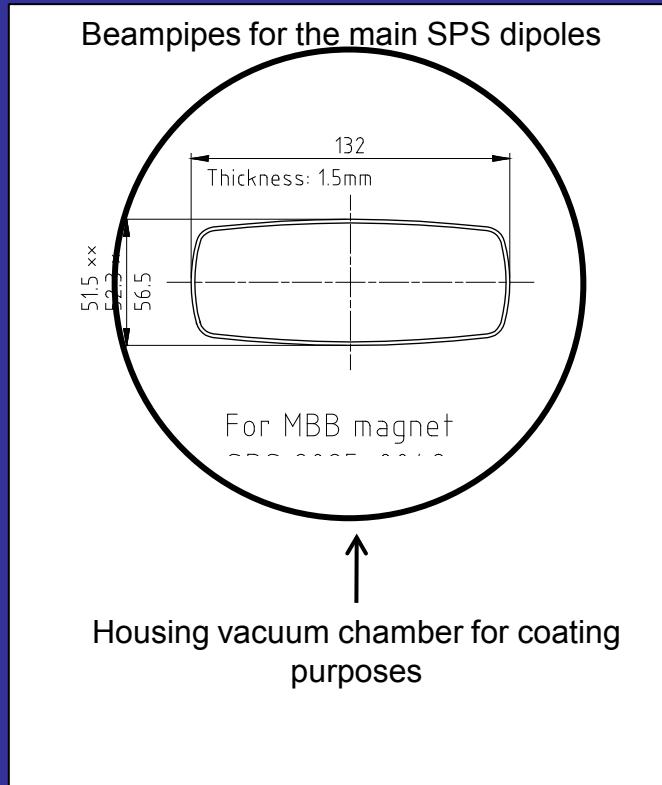
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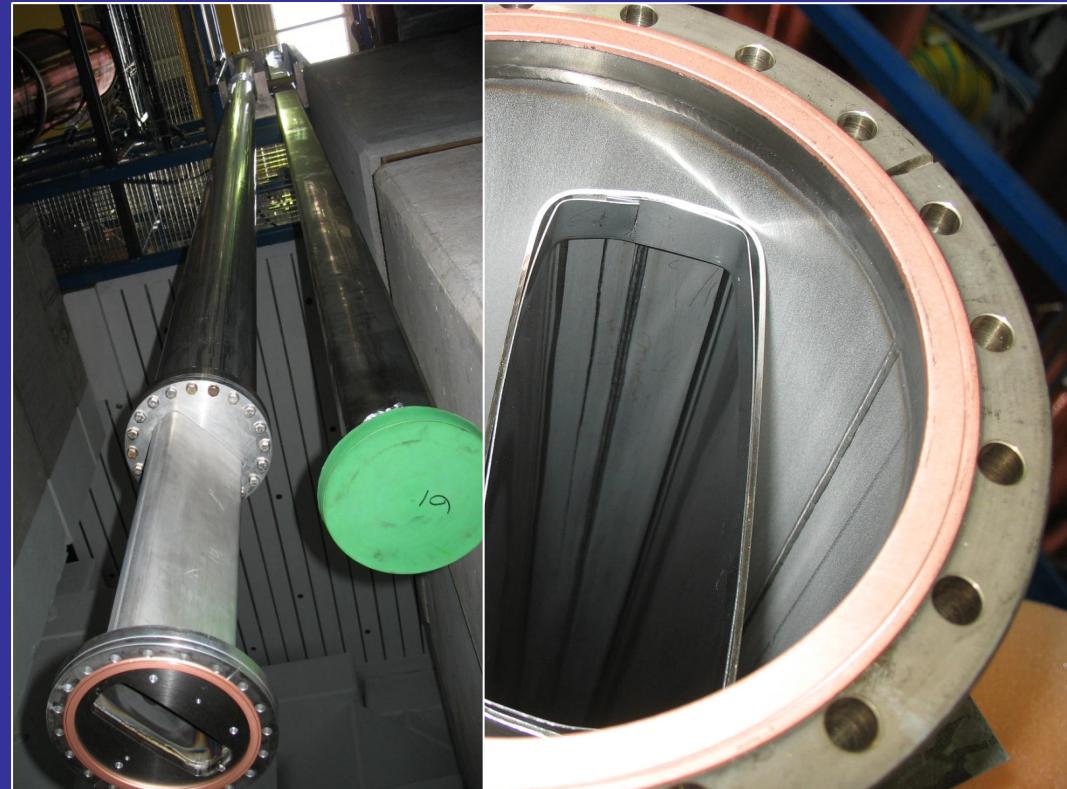
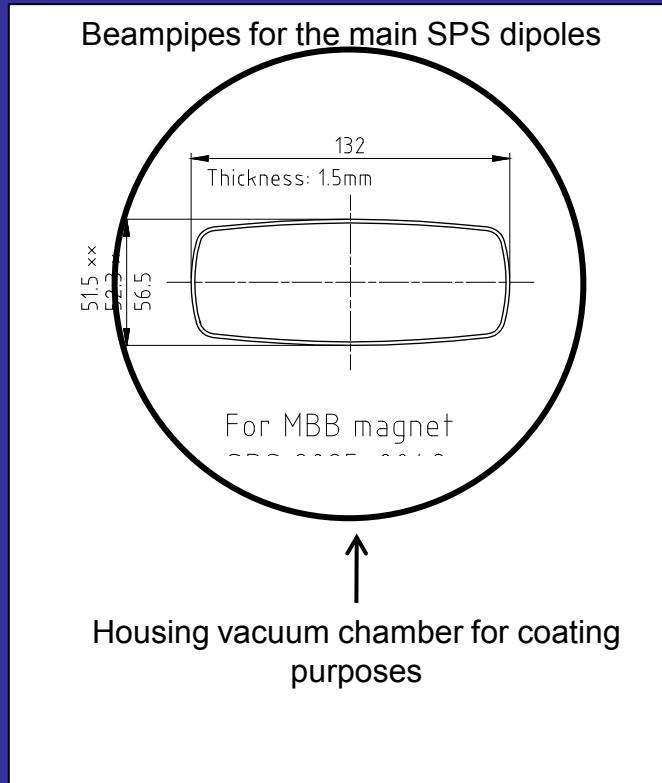
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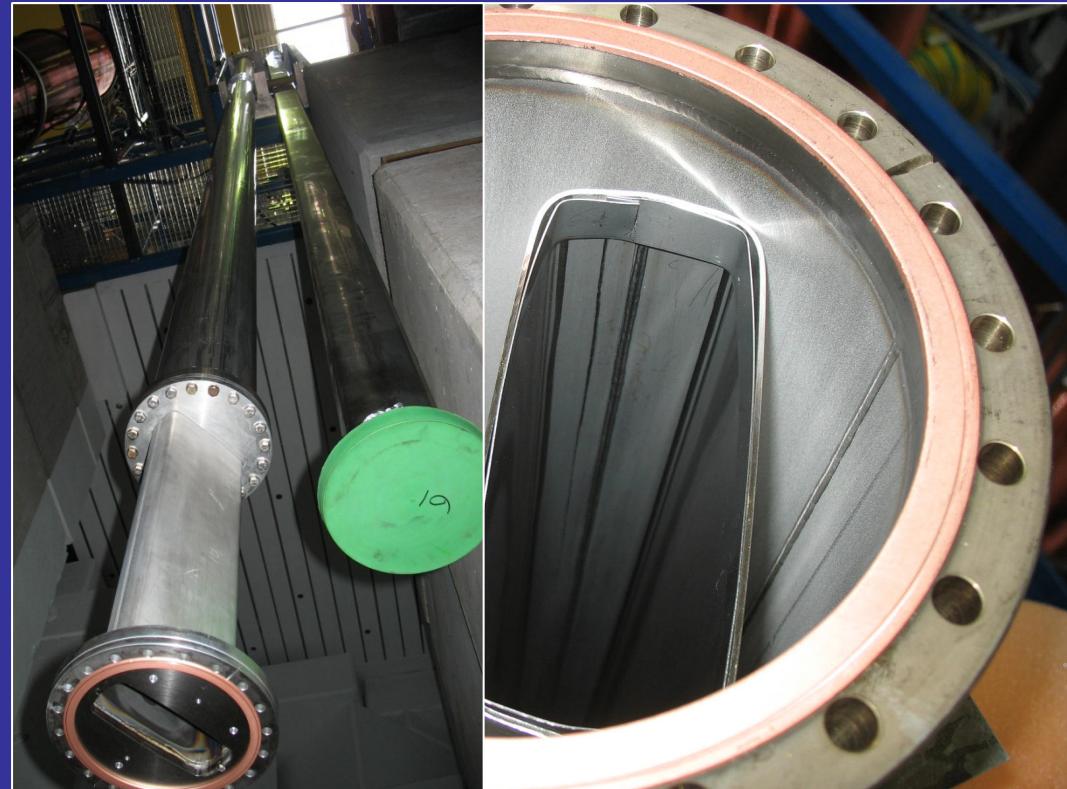
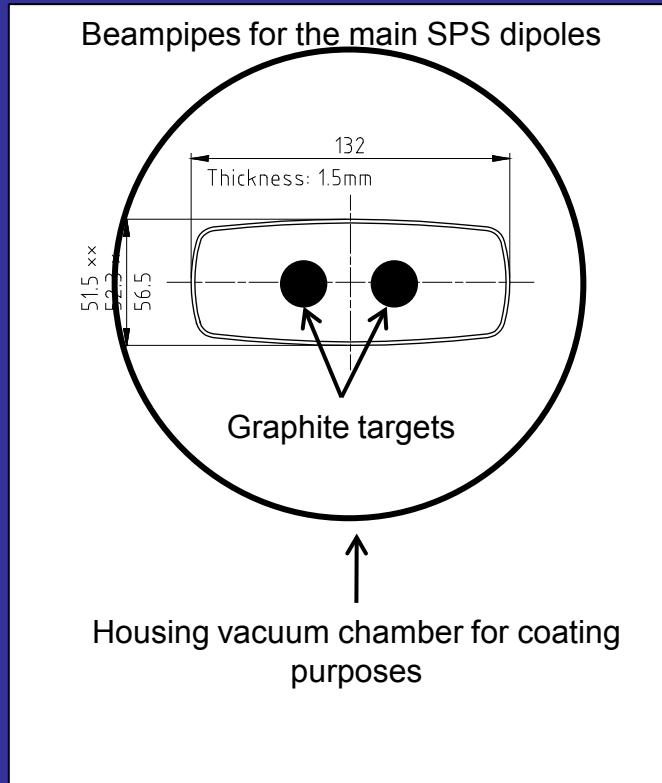
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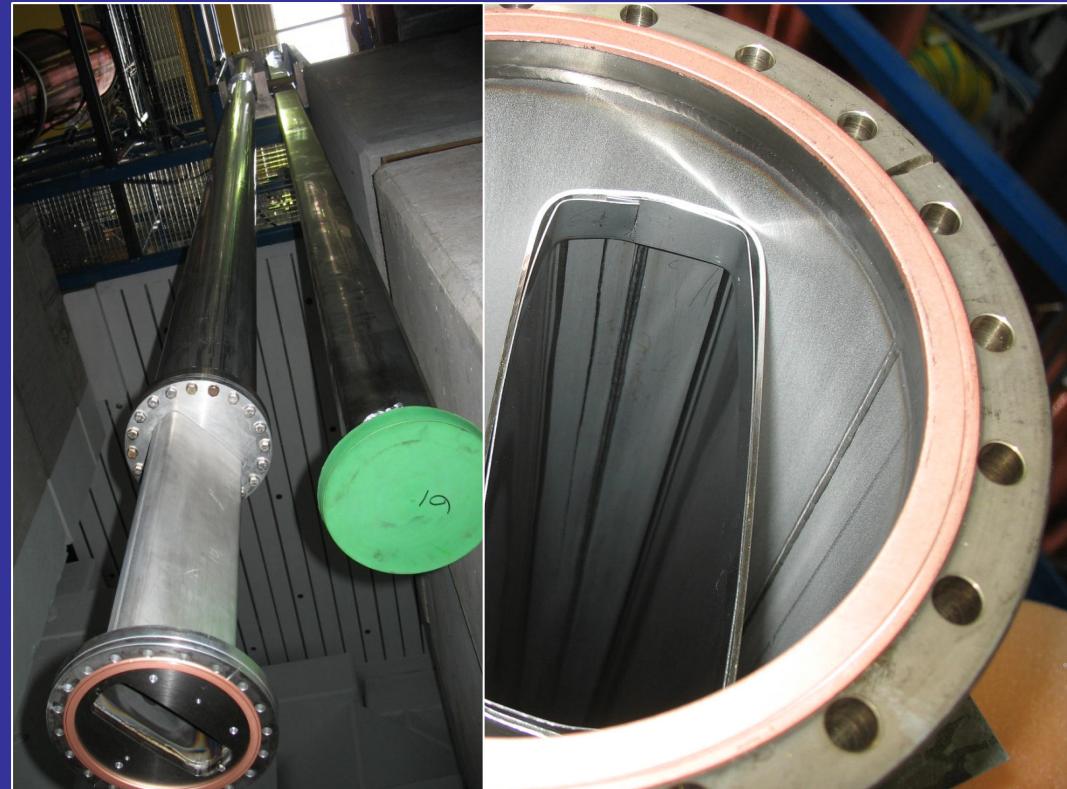
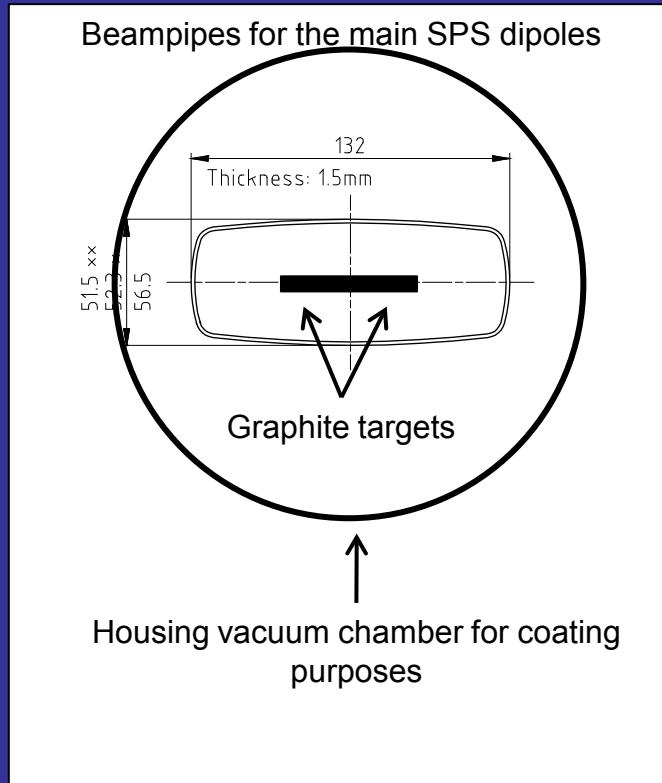
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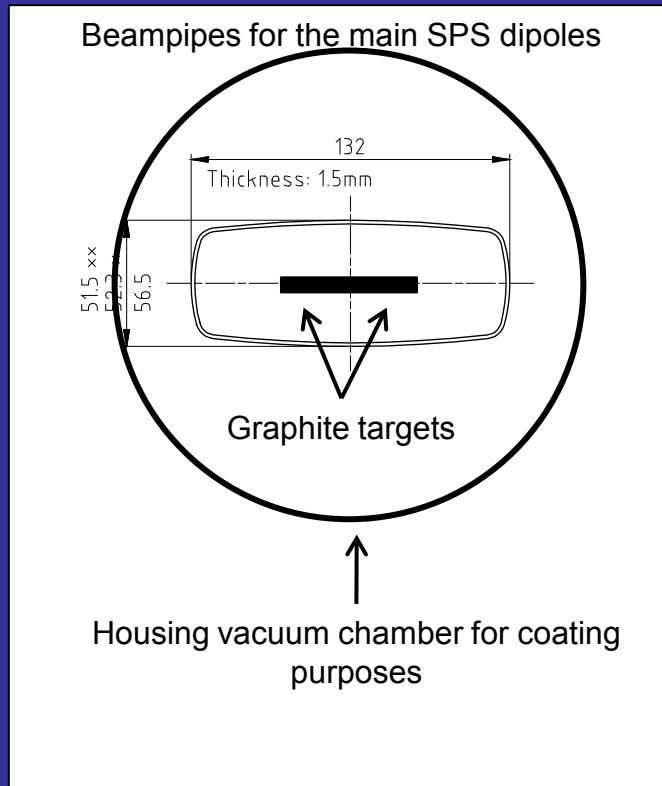
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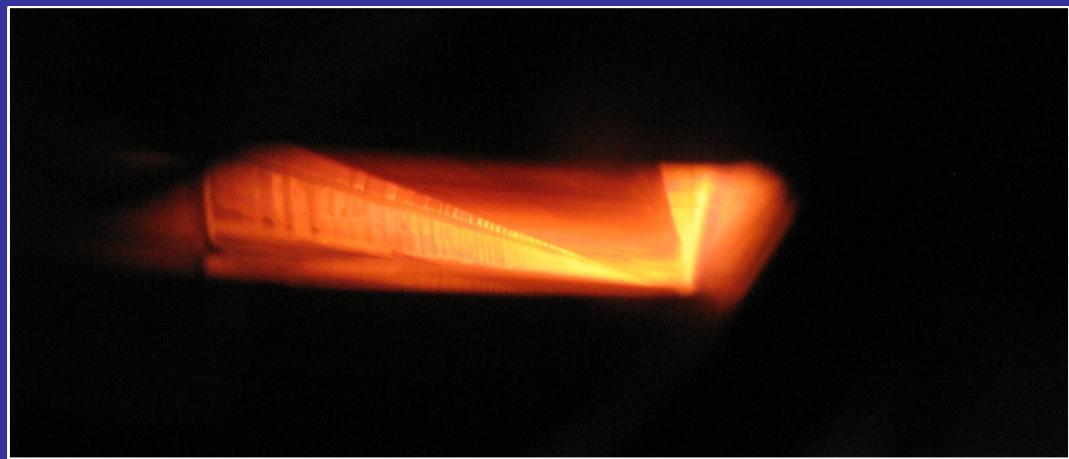
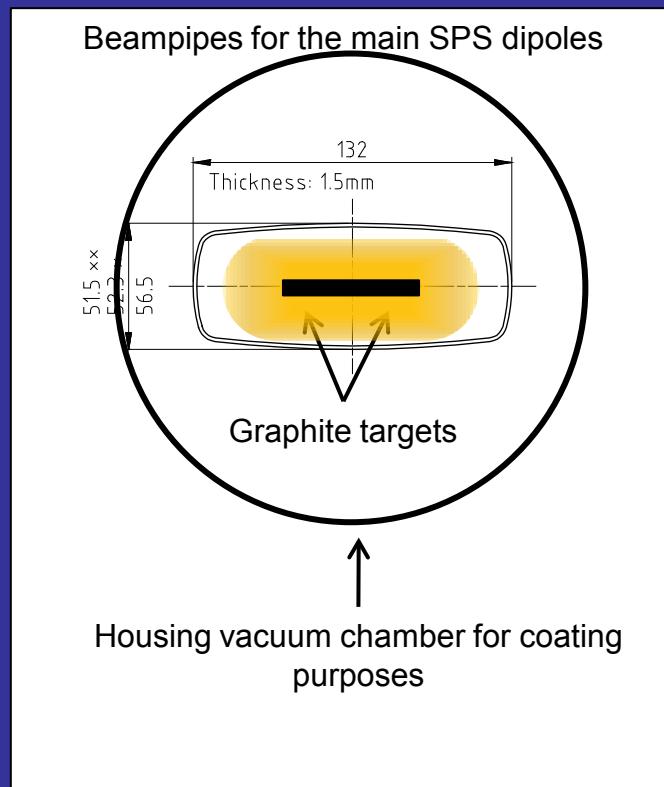
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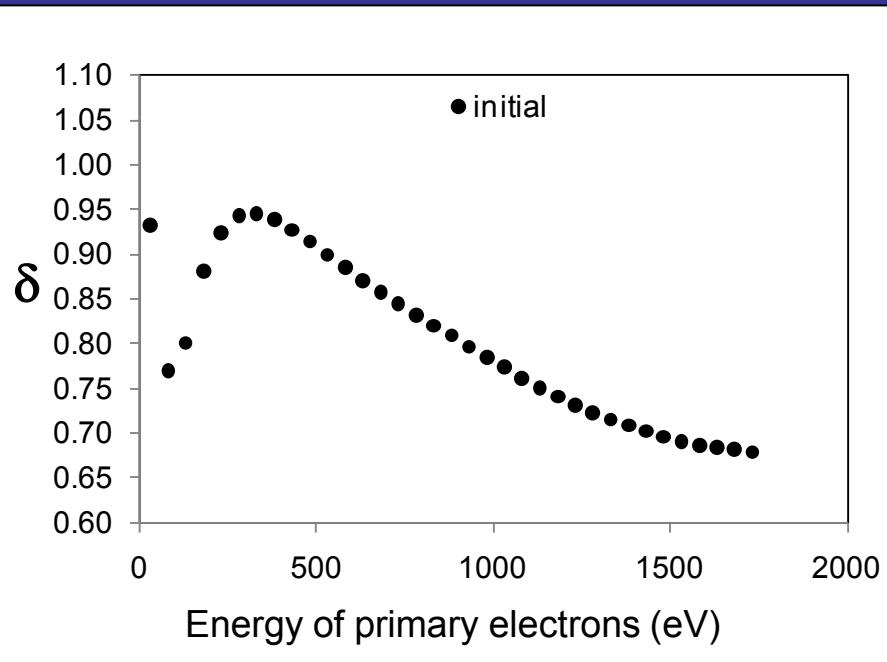


Ne pressure 8×10^{-2} mbar
Power 400 Watt / meter of cathode
Target bias -650 V
Substrate temperature 300°C
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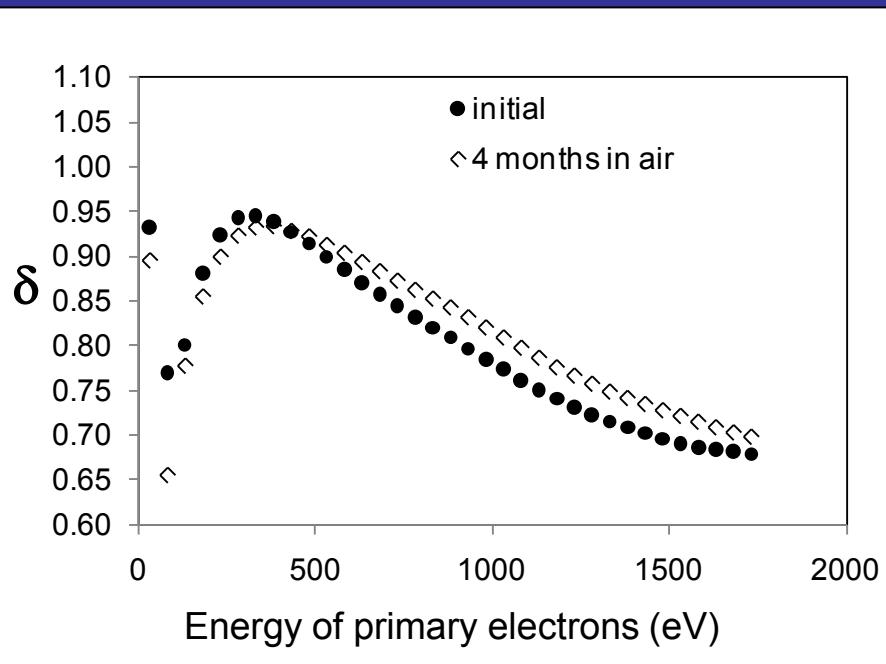
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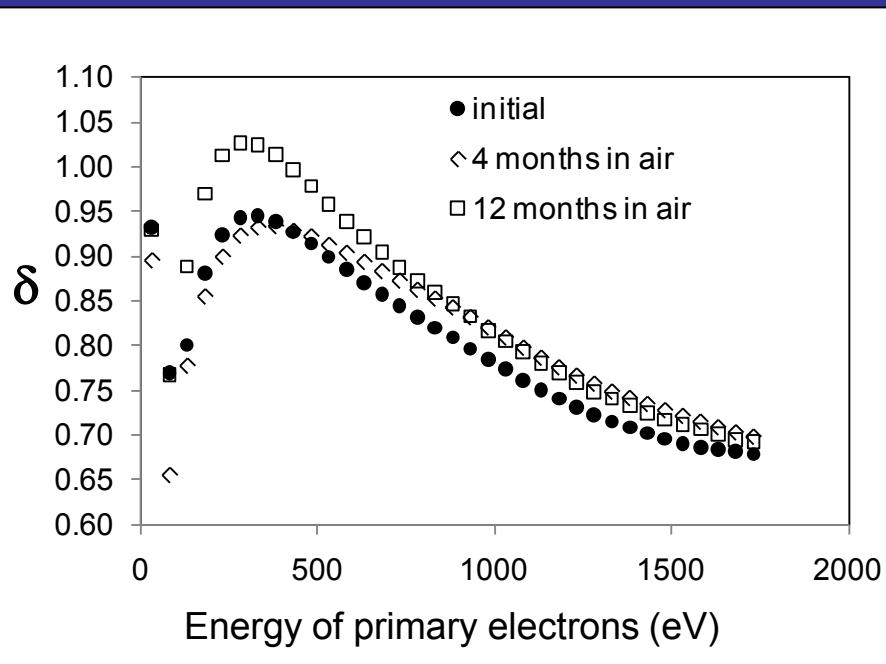
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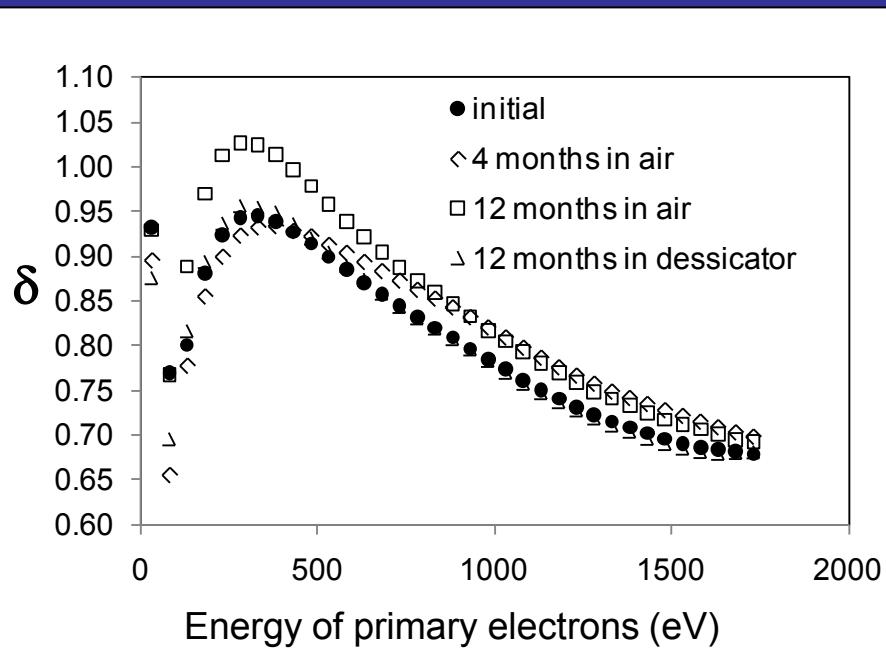
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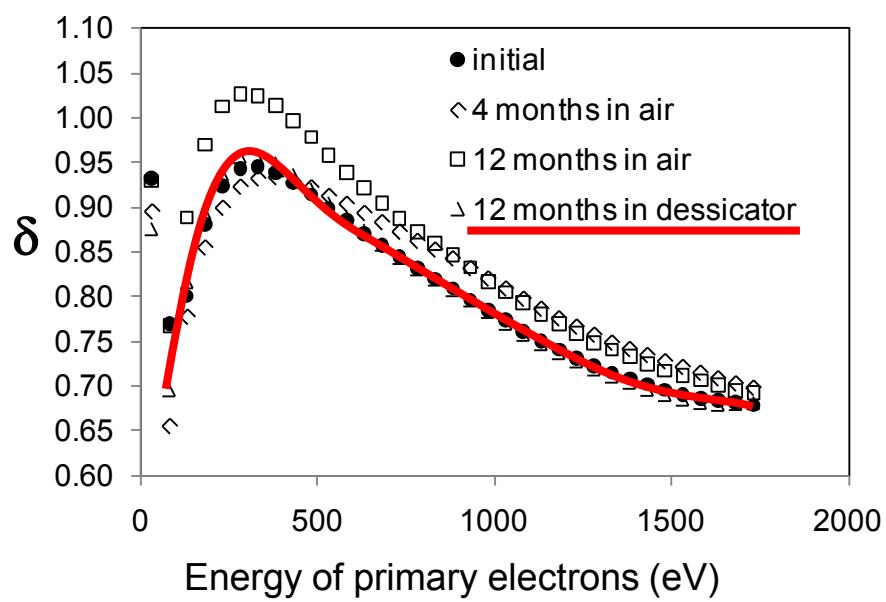
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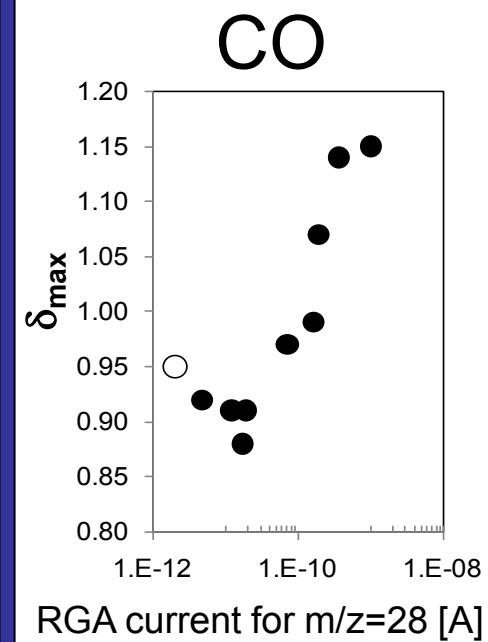
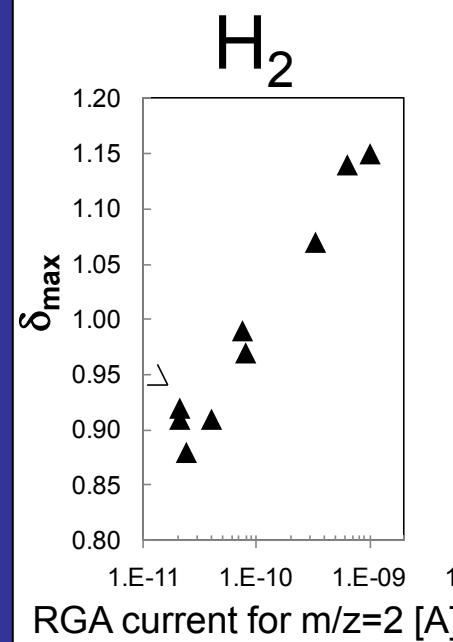
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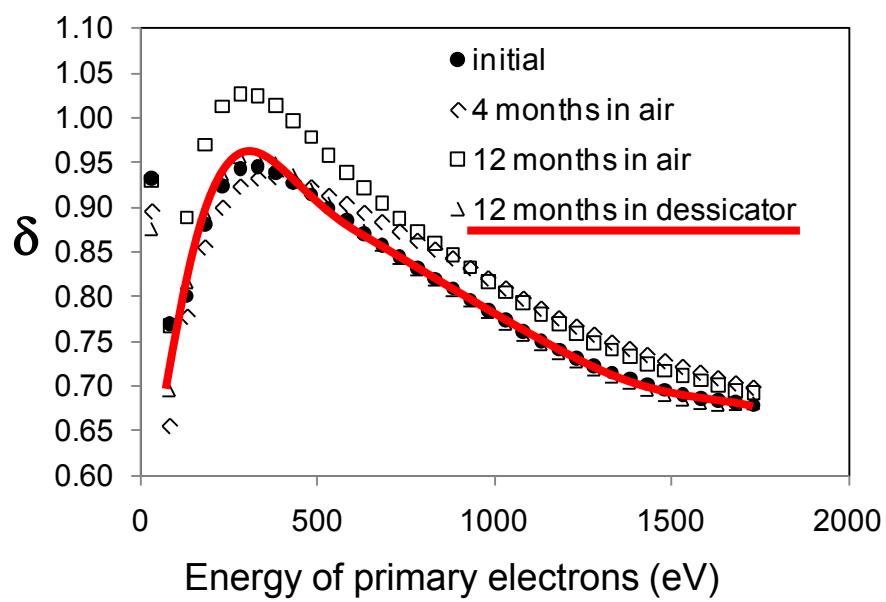


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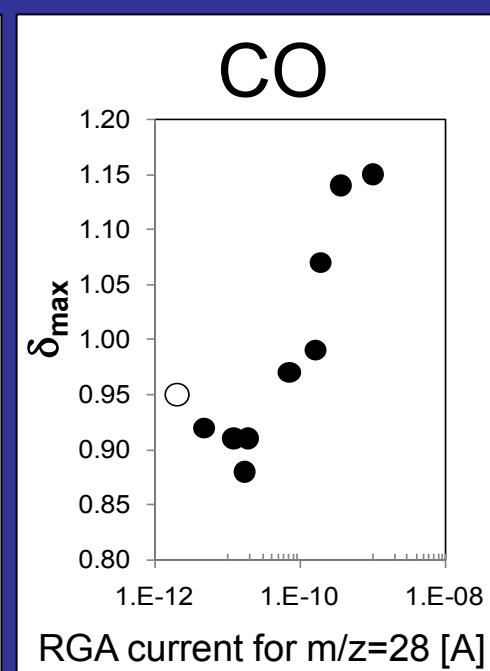
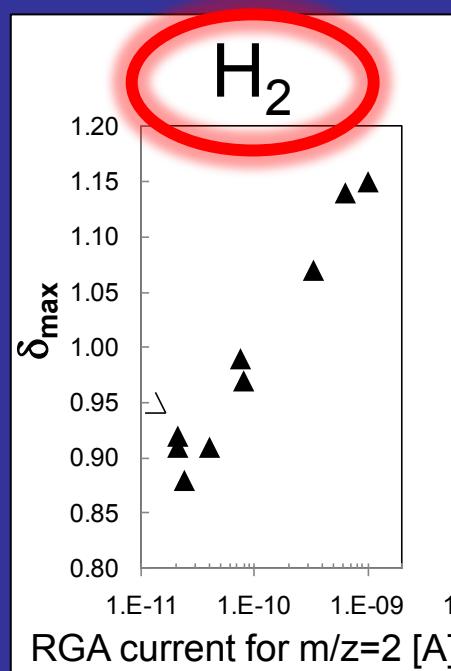
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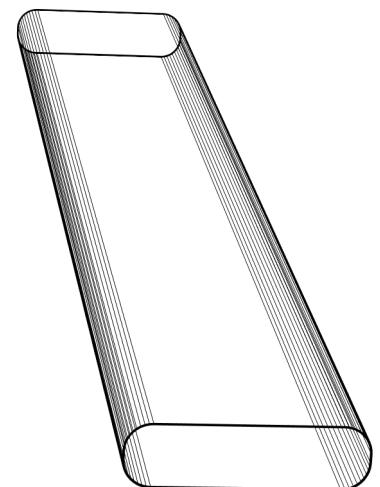


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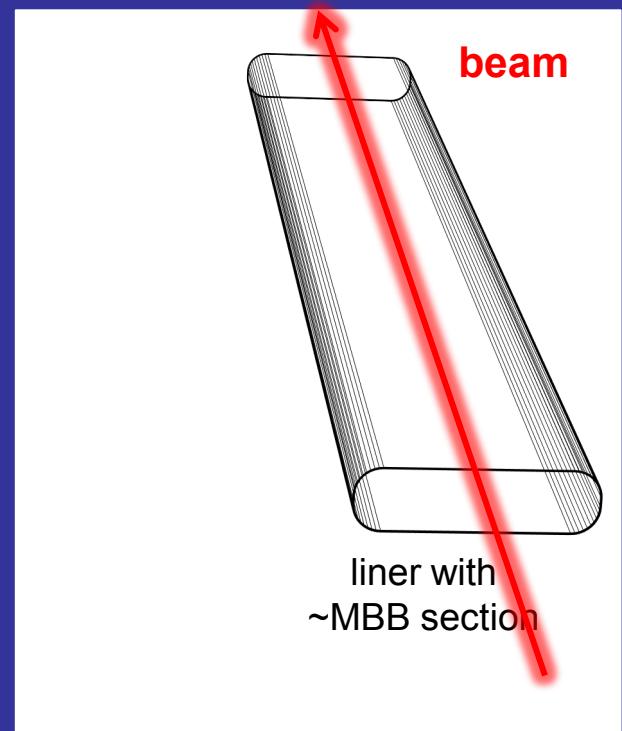


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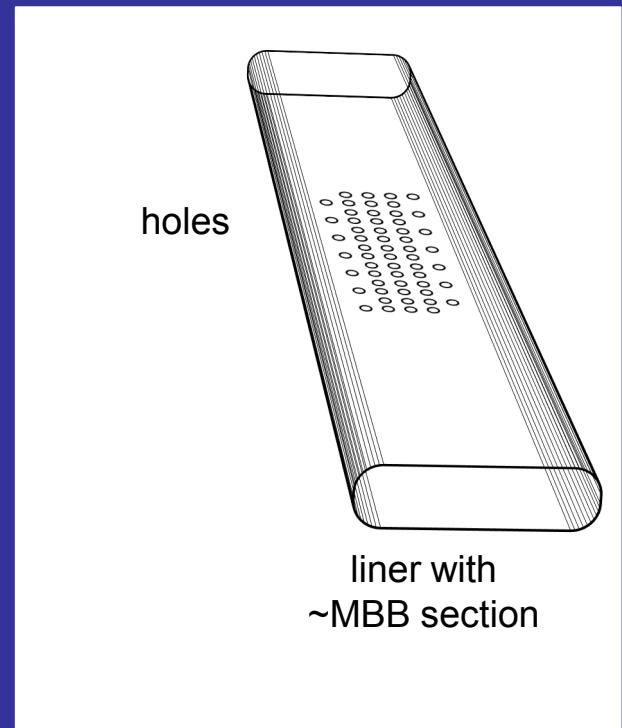
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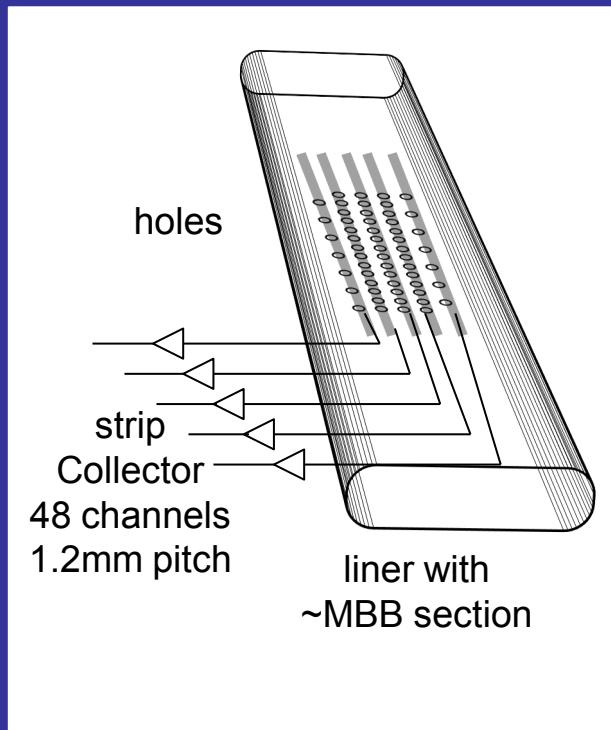
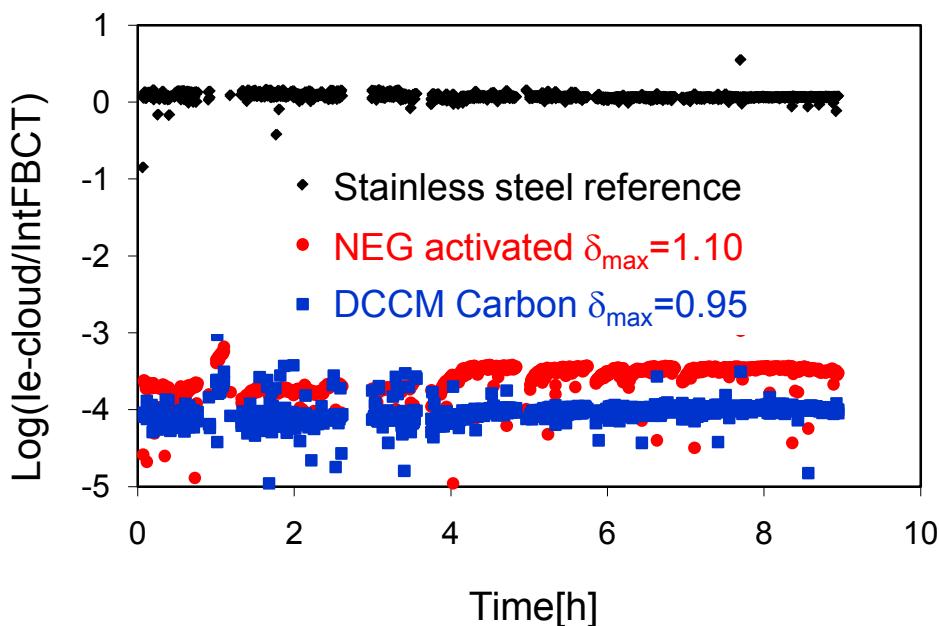


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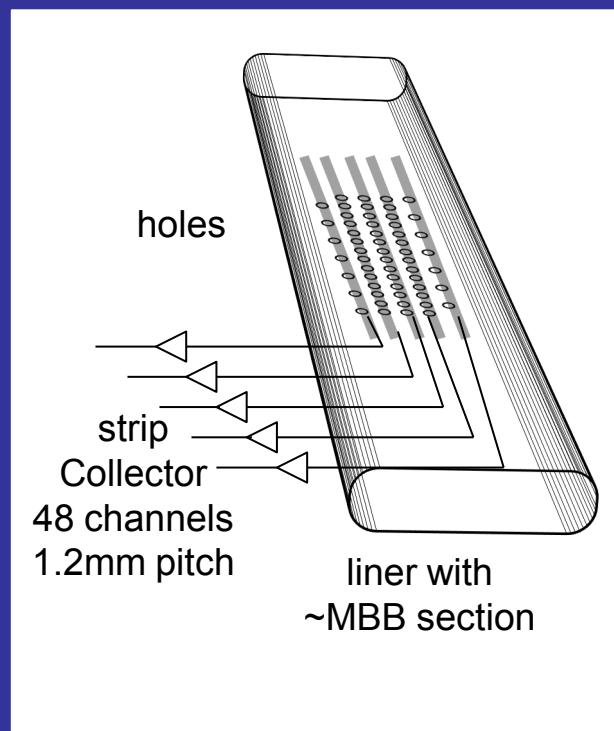
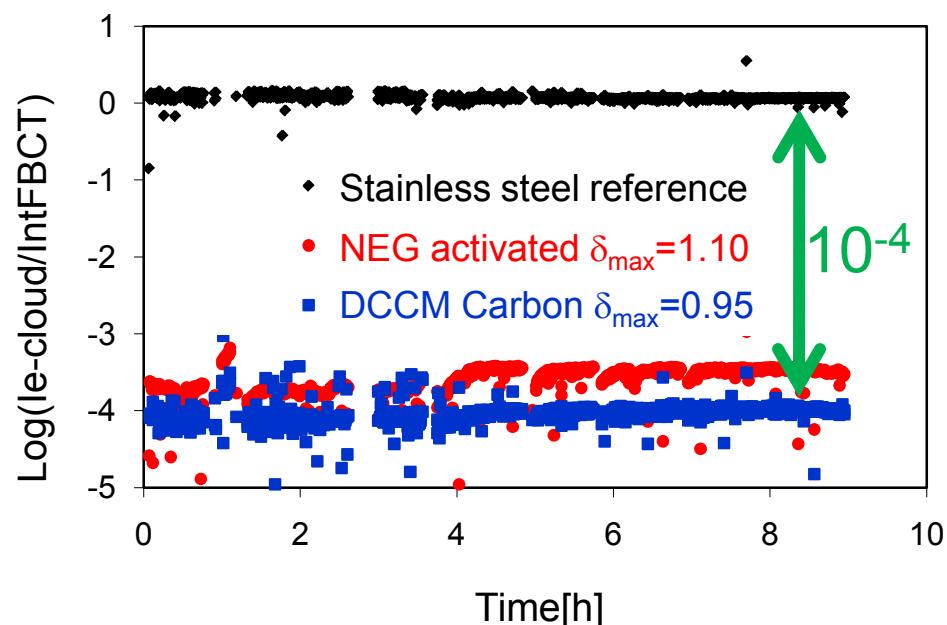


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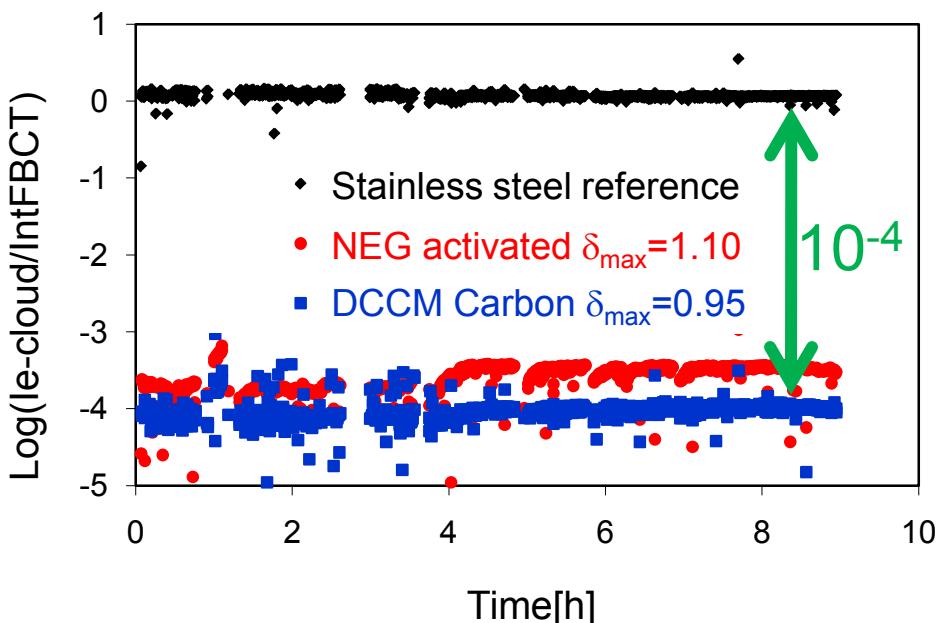
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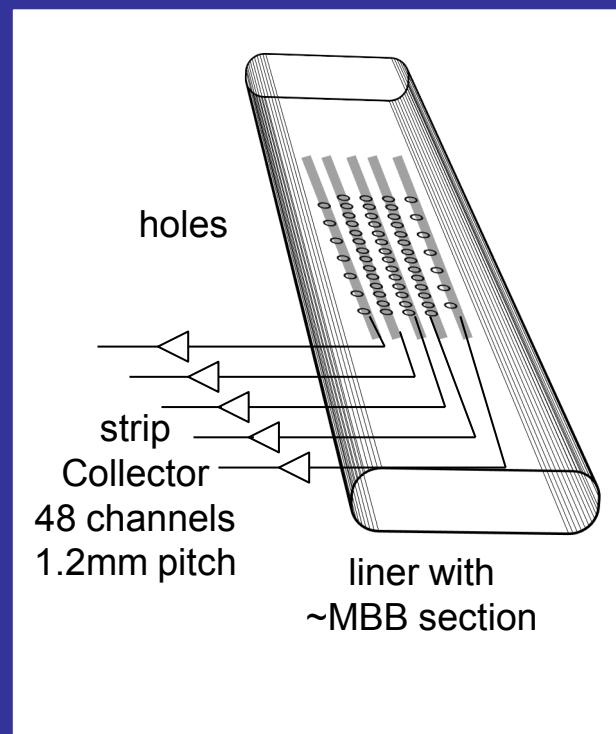
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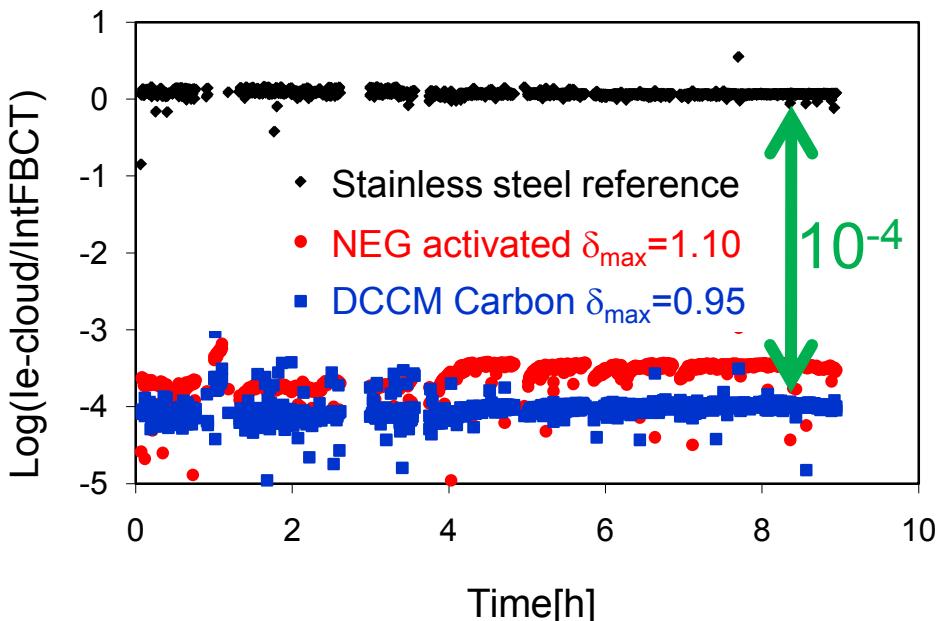


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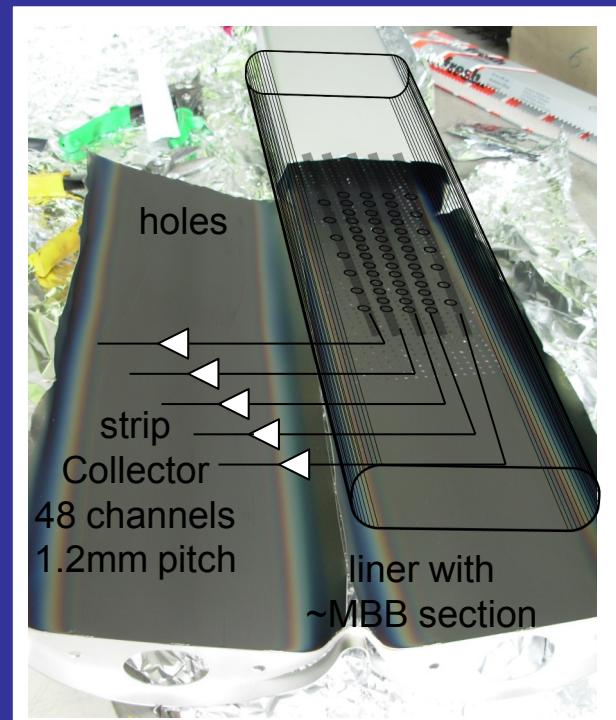
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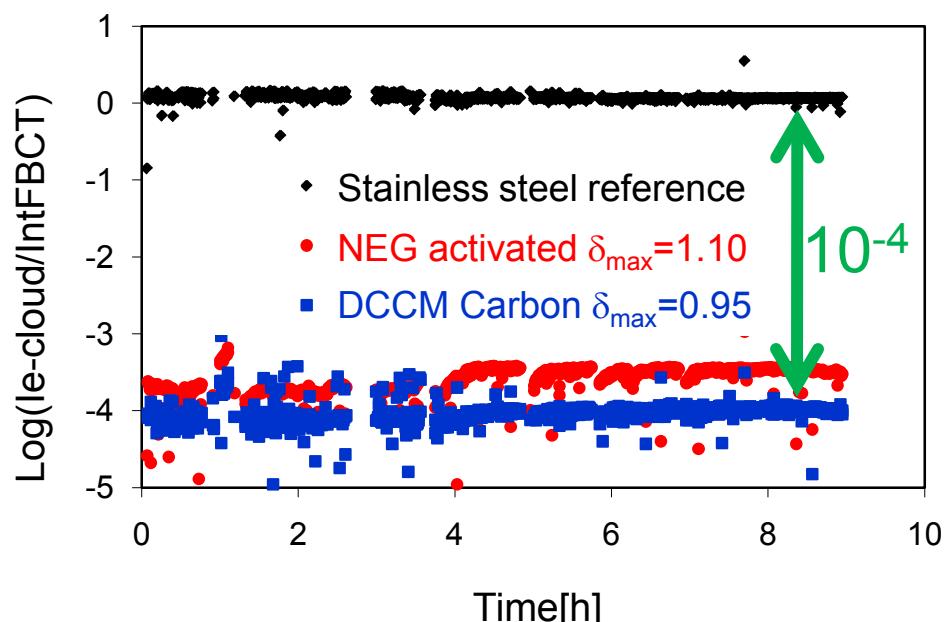
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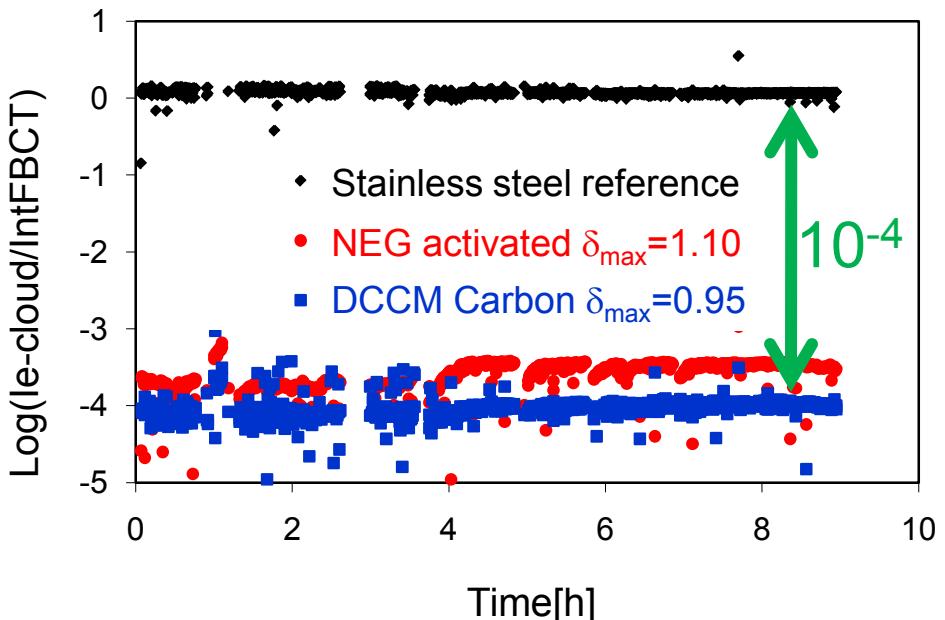
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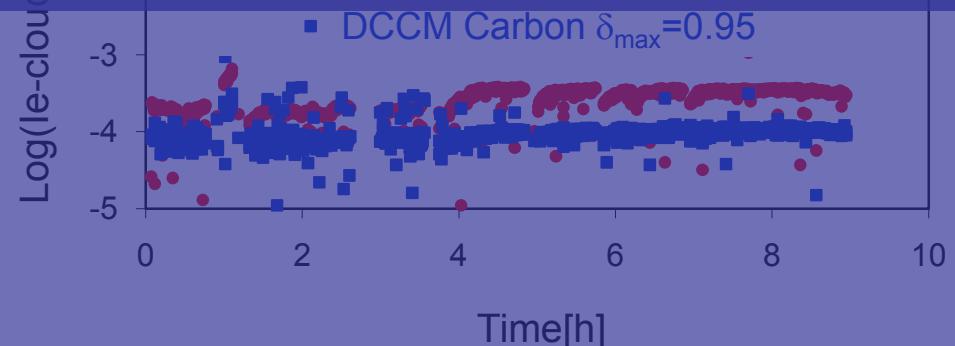
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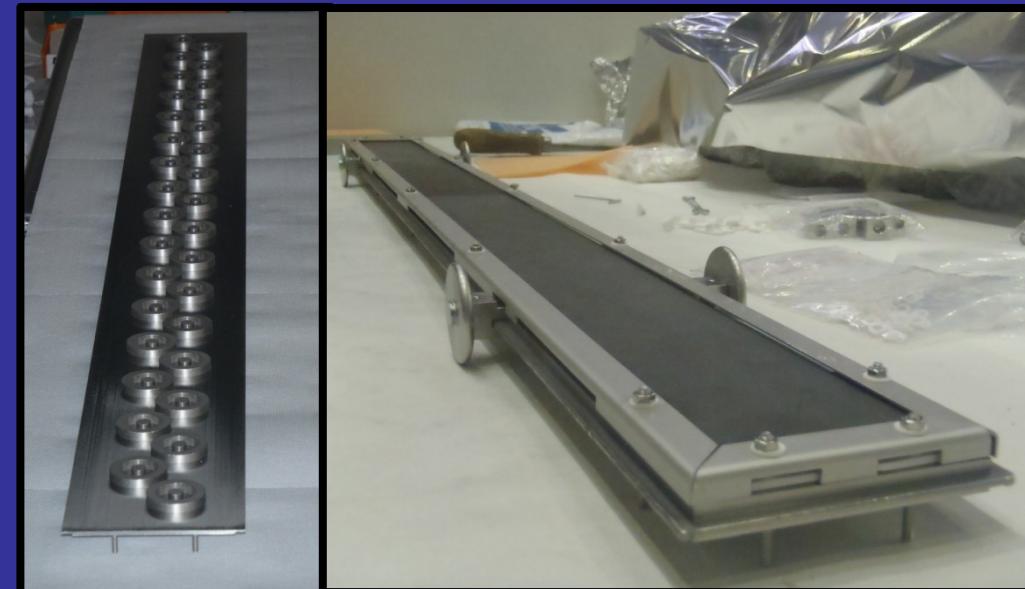
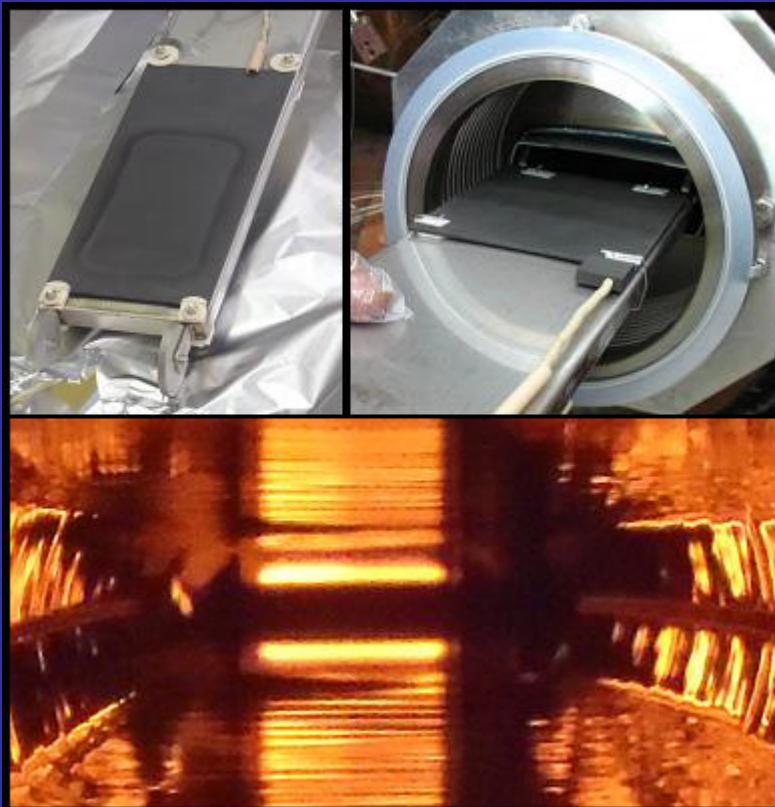
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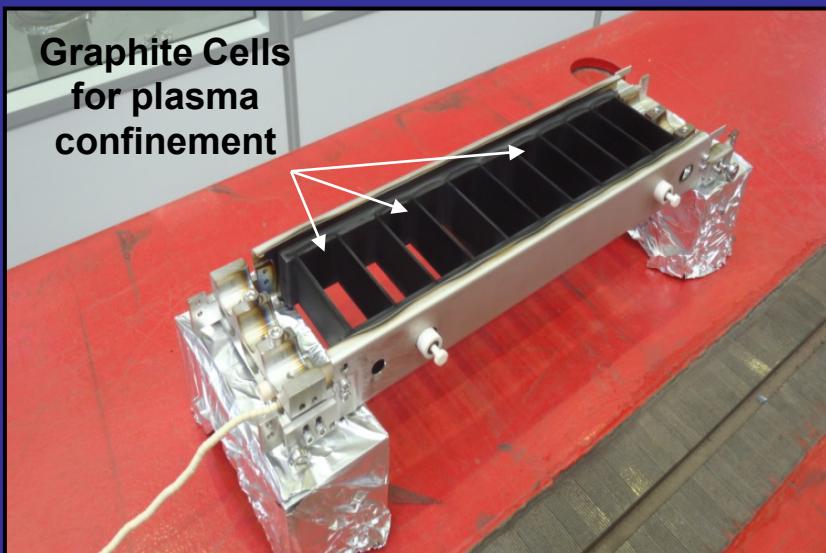
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