



E4 technology and applications

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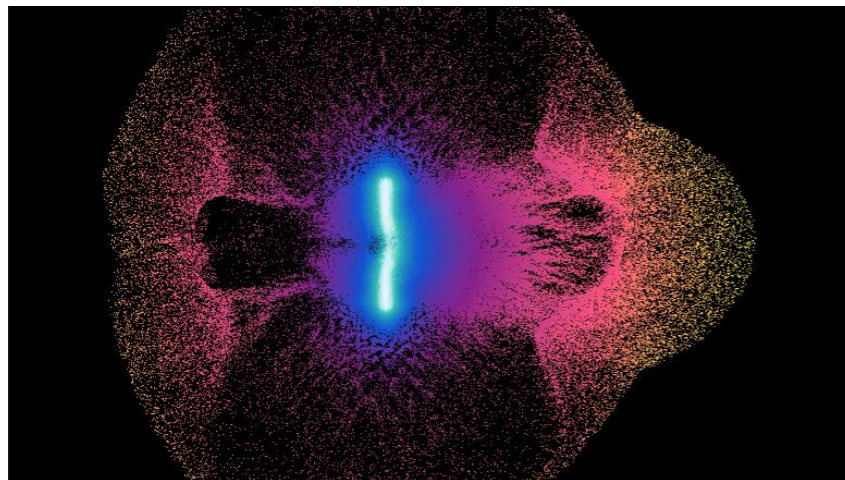
Conventional Accelerators



$$E_{\max} \sim 50 \text{ MV/m}$$

$$L_{\text{acc}} \sim 1\text{-}10 \text{ m}$$

Laser-Plasma Accelerators



$$E_{\max} \sim 1 \text{ TV/m}$$

$$L_{\text{acc}} \sim 1 \mu\text{m}$$

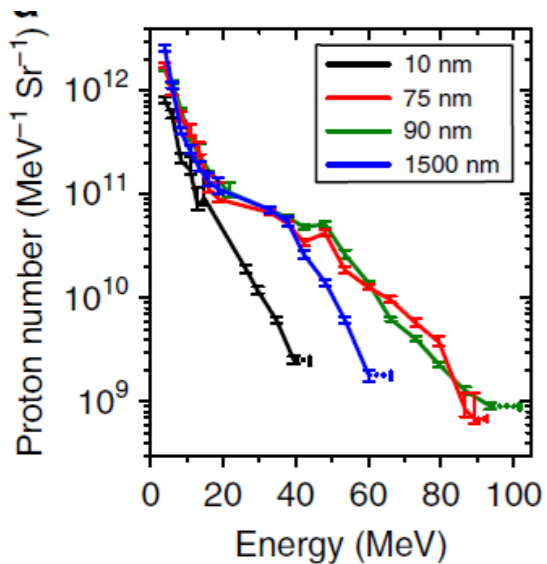
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***Compact
Accelerator***

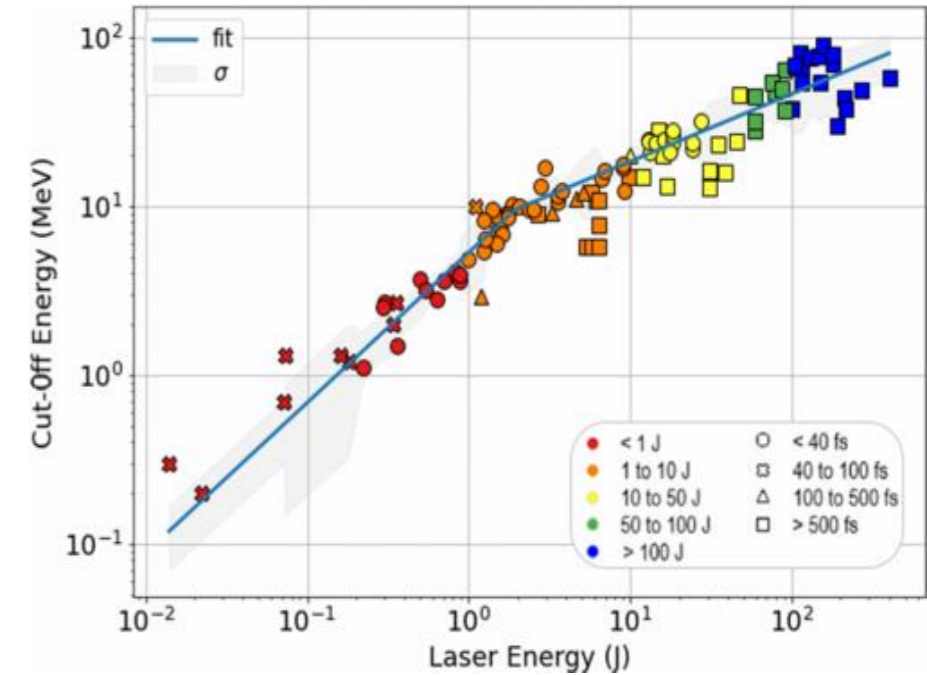
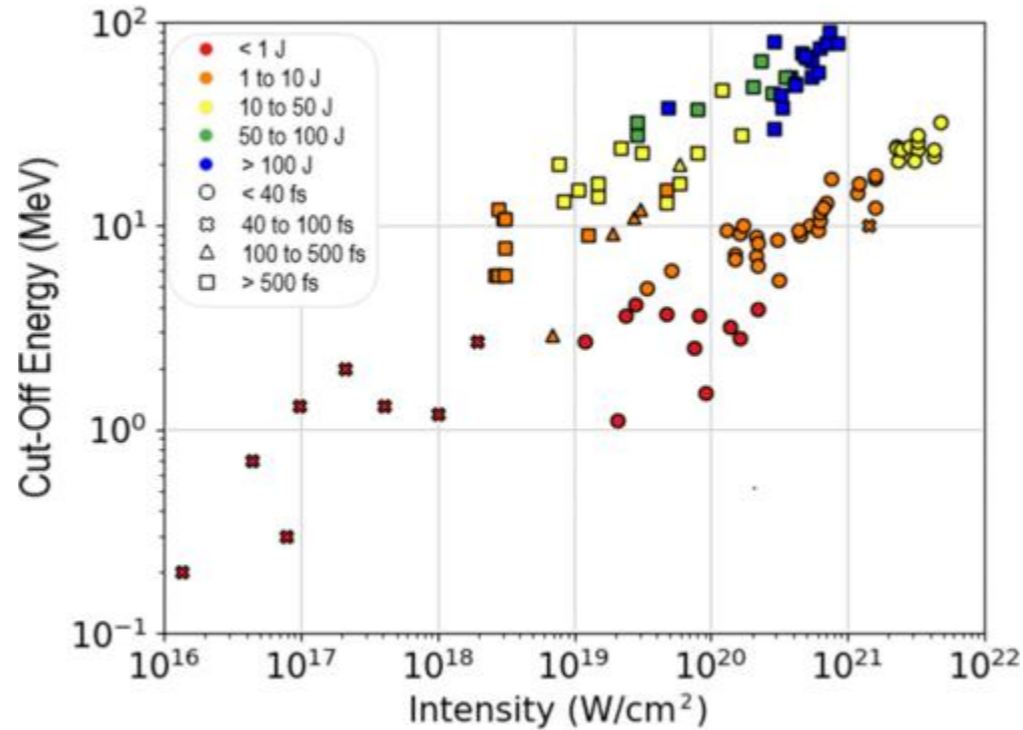


Ion Acceleration experimental scaling

Experimental scaling law for protons:
Zimmer, PRE 2021



Higginson et al., Nat. Comm. (2018)

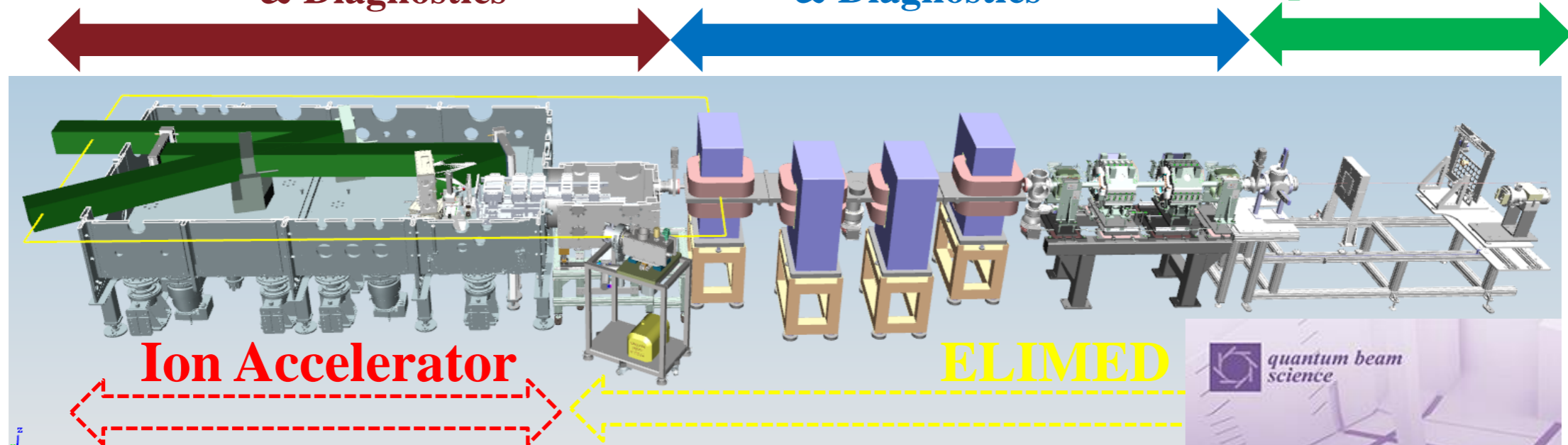


ELI Multidisciplinary Applications of laser-Ion Acceleration

Acceleration, Collimation
& Diagnostics

Selection, Transport
& Diagnostics

Dosimetry &
Sample Irradiation



- *D. Margarone et al., “ELIMAIA: A Laser-Driven Ion Accelerator for Multidisciplinary Applications”, Quantum Beam Science 2 (2018) 8*
- *G.A.P. Cirrone et al., “ELIMED-ELIMAIA: The First Open User Irradiation Beamline for Laser-Plasma-Accelerated Ion Beams”, Frontiers in Physics 8 (2020) 564907*
- *F. Schillaci et al., “The ELIMAIA Laser-Plasma Ion Accelerator: Technology Commissioning and Perspectives”, Quantum Beam Sci. 2022, 6(4), 30*

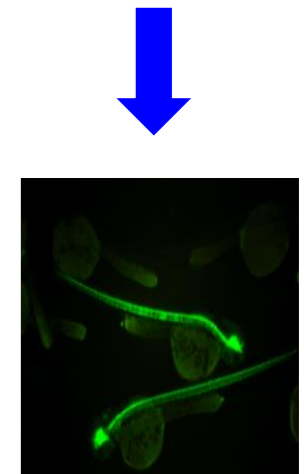
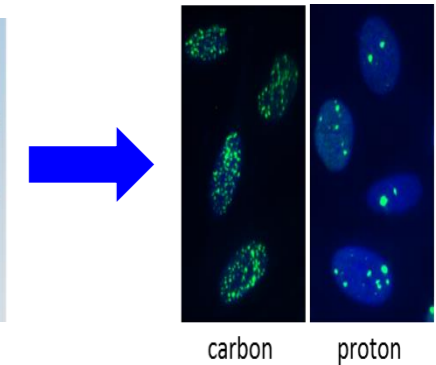
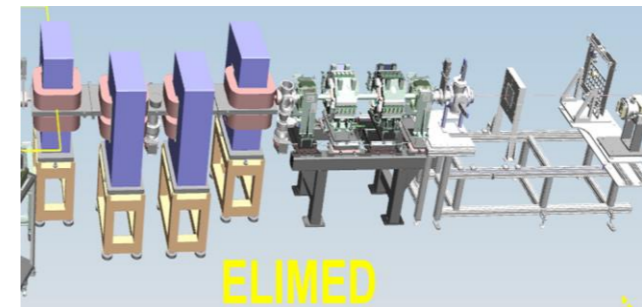
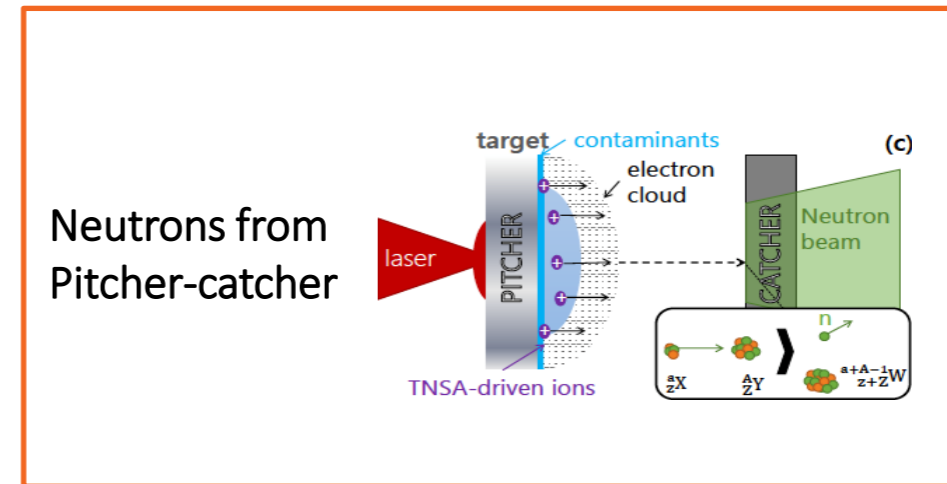


Laser-plasma accelerator:

- ✓ Advanced laser-driven ion mechanisms
- ✓ Laser-driven nuclear reactions
- ✓ Ion stopping power with tunable ion source

Multidisciplinary user applications (ELIMED)

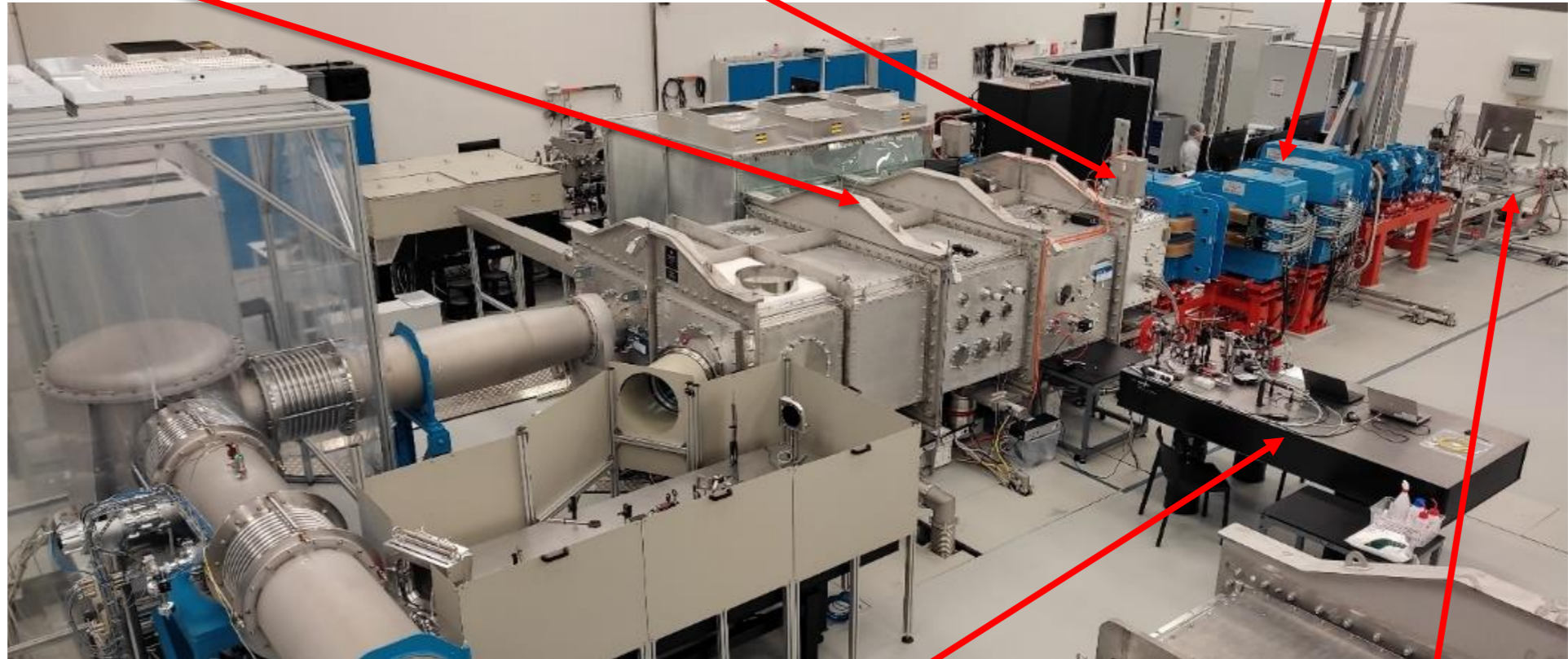
- ✓ Radiobiology, cancer treatment (hadrontherapy & BNCT), medical imaging
- ✓ Radiation chemistry with protons & neutrons (pulsed radiolysis of water, management of nuclear waste)
- ✓ Space radiation (electronics, radiobiology in space)
- ✓ Material analysis for cultural heritage (PIXE, XRF, DPAA)
- ✓ Non-destructive inspection of massive objects with proton & neutron radiography



Interaction chamber

Ion and gamma diagnostic stations

Ion beam transport

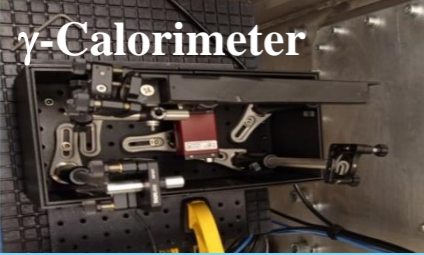


In-air laser diagnostic station (BDS) – *on-shot & full-power*

Laser Alignment and Plasma diagnostic stations


Ion Dosimetry and sample irradiation

X/γ-ray diagnostics

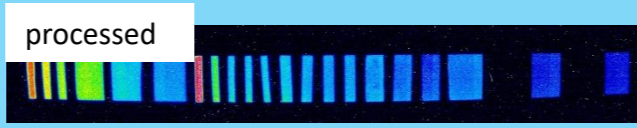


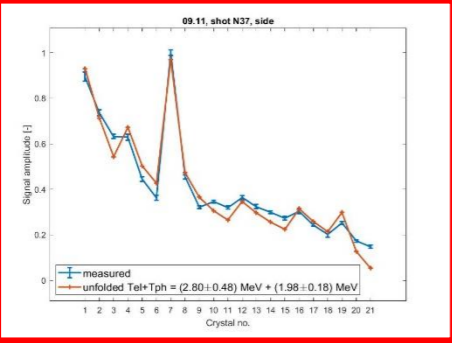
γ-Calorimeter

raw



processed





09.11, shot N37, side

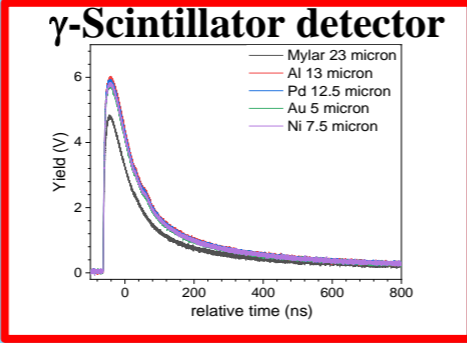
Signal amplitude [-]

Crystal no.

measured

unfolded Te_L+T_{ph} = (2.80 ± 0.48) MeV + (1.98 ± 0.18) MeV

γ-Scintillator detector




Yield (V)

relative time (ns)

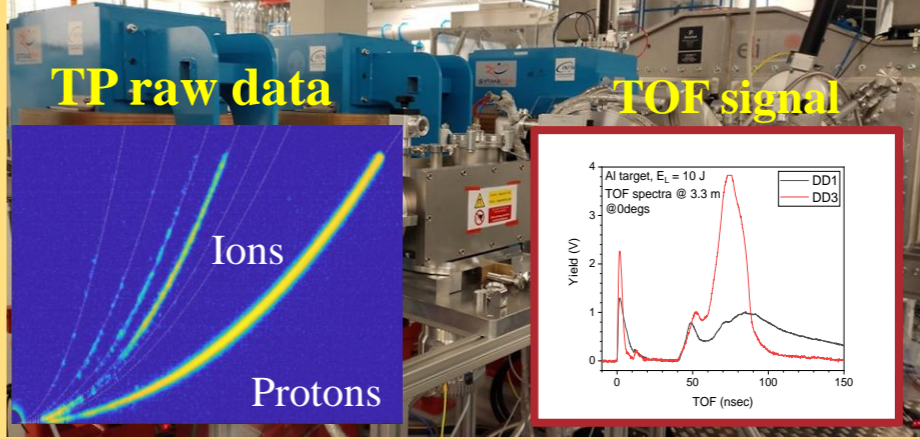
- Mylar 23 micron
- Al 13 micron
- Pd 12.5 micron
- Au 5 micron
- Ni 7.5 micron

Ion diagnostics



CR39

RCF



TP raw data

TOF signal

Ions

Protons

Al target, E_L = 10 J

TOF spectra @ 3.3 m @ 0deg

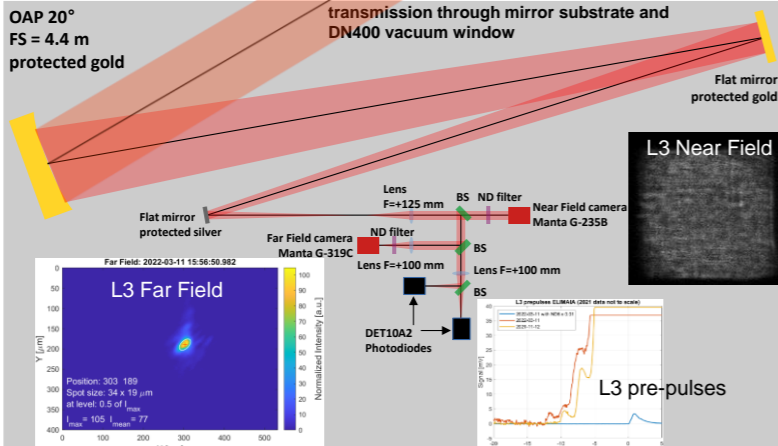
Yield (V)

TOF (nsec)

DD1

DD3

On-shot laser diagnostics



OAP 20°

FS = 4.4 m

protected gold

transmission through mirror substrate and DN400 vacuum window

Flat mirror protected gold

L3 Near Field

Flat mirror protected silver

Far Field camera Manta G-319C

Lens F=+100 mm

BS

ND filter

DET10A2 Photodiodes

L3 pre-pulses

L3 Far Field

Position: 303 189

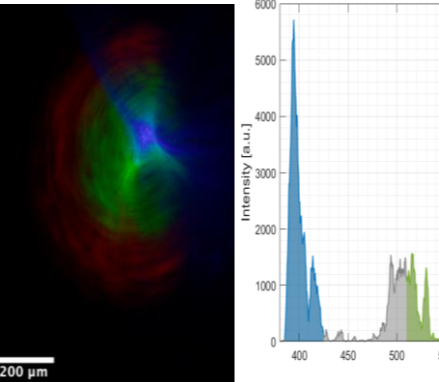
Spot size: 34 x 19 μm

at level: 0.5 of I_{max}

I_{max} = 105 1

mean = 7.7

Plasma imaging/spectroscopy

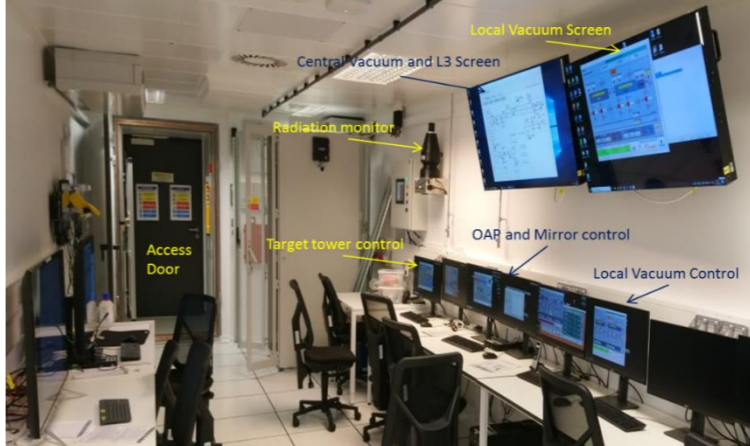


Intensity (a.u.)

Time [ps]

200 μm

Online data analysis (1-10 Hz)



Central Vacuum and L3 Screen

Local Vacuum Screen

Radiation monitor

Access Door

Target tower control

OAP and Mirror control

Local Vacuum Control

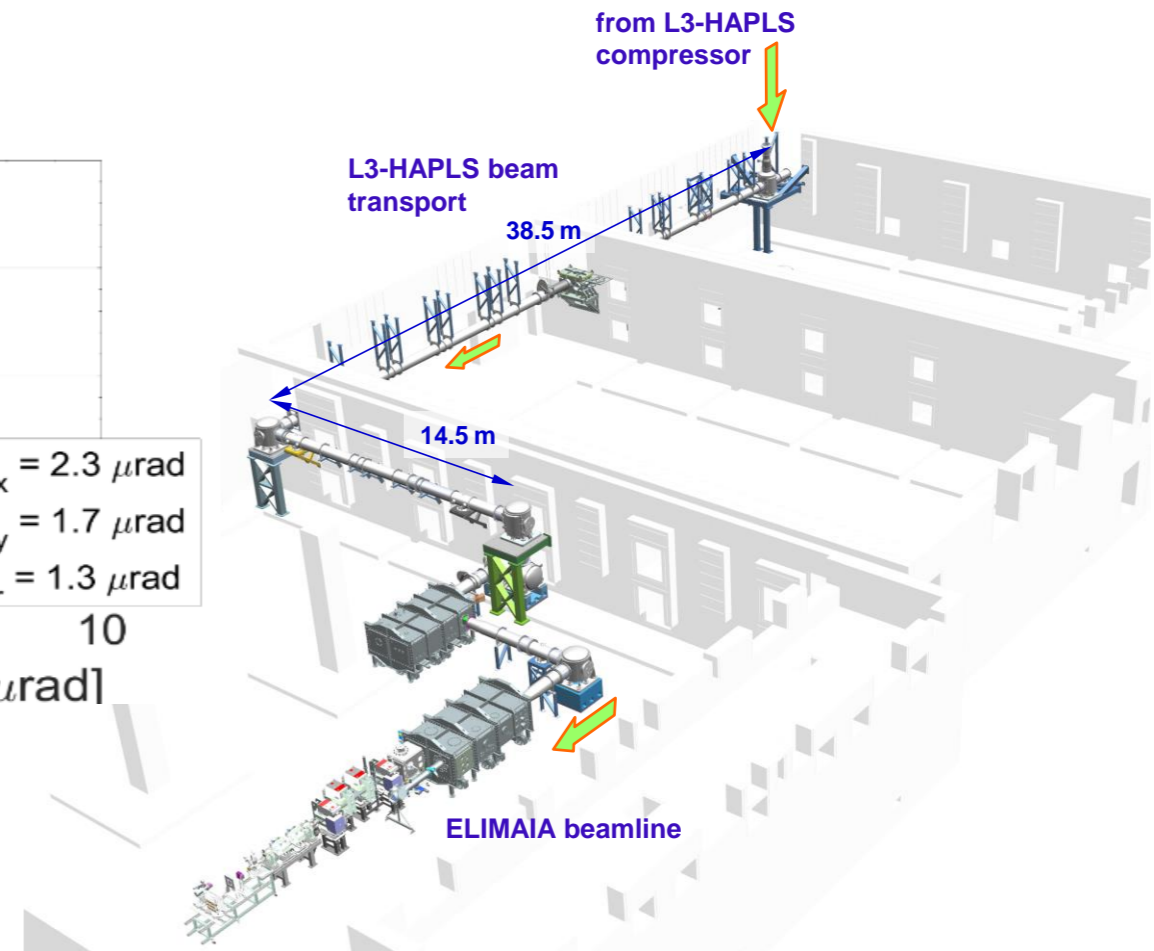
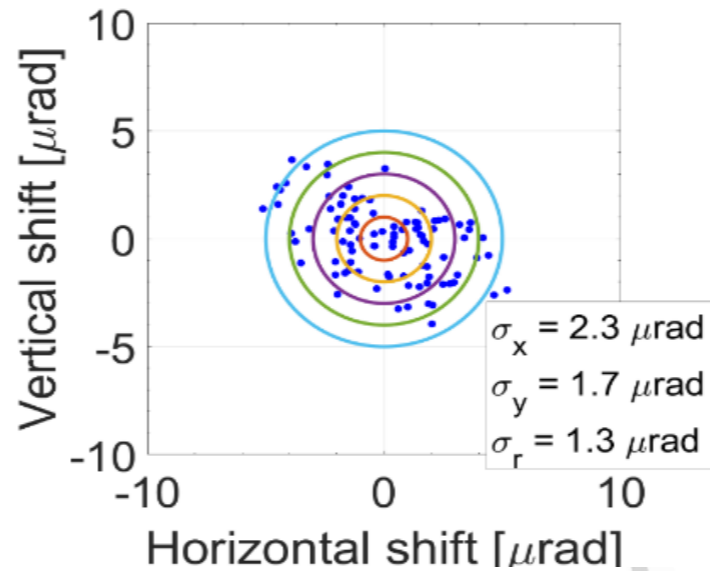
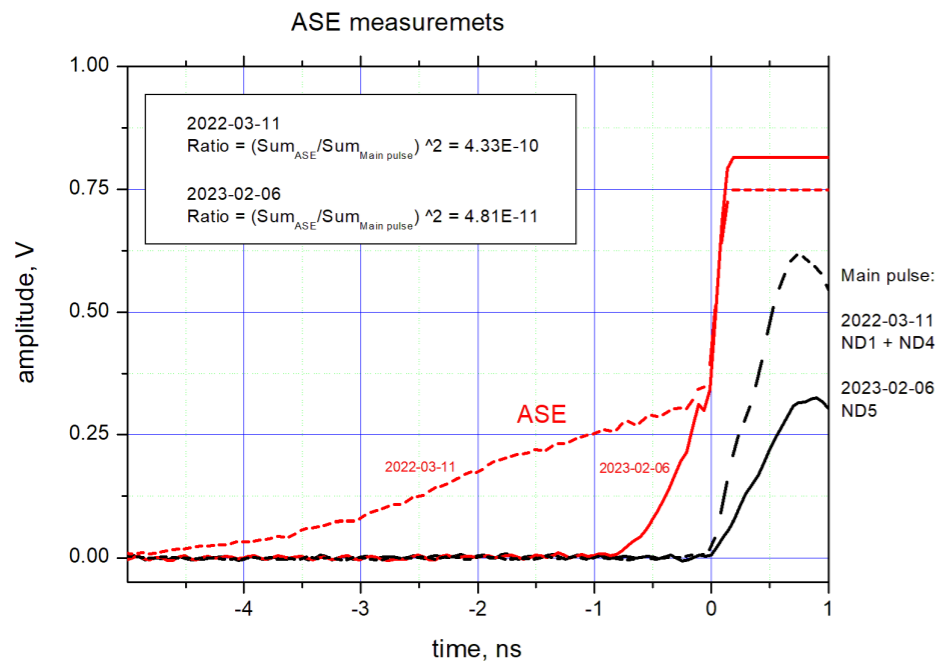


HAPLS laser system

Laser energy > 10 J
 Pulse duration < 30 fs
 Laser Intensity > 10^{21} W/cm²
 Rep. rate ~ 1 Hz

ns-pedestal contrast level $5 \cdot 10^{-11}$

Pointing stability (shot-to-shot linear fluctuation on target < 1 μm rms)





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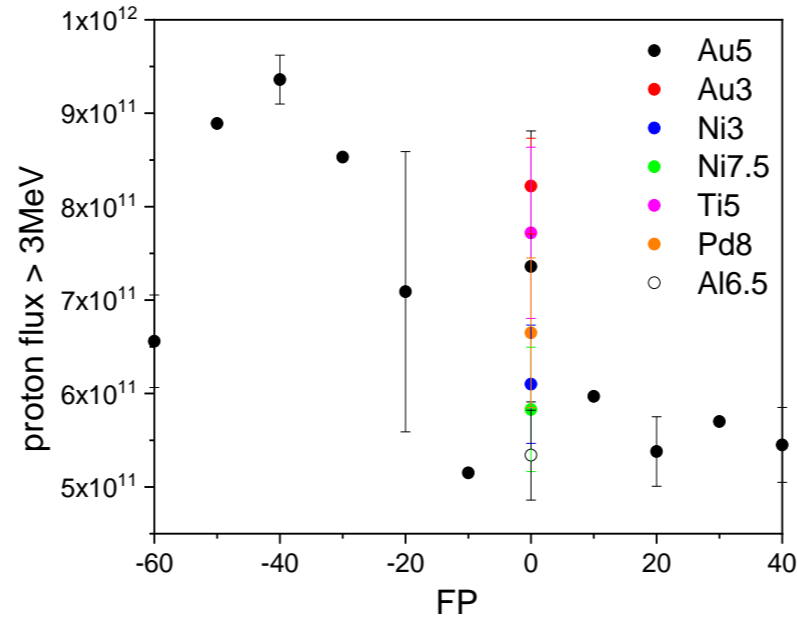
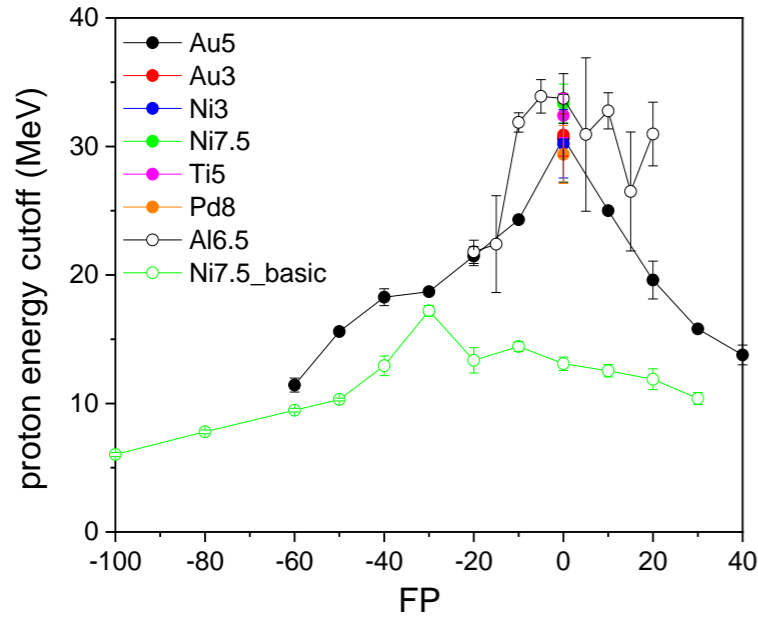
Laser-plasma accelerator commissioning @ ELIMAIA beamline

ELIMAIA laser-plasma ion accelerator commissioning for evaluating:

- the performances of the plasma accelerator (accelerating proton beams cut-off energy and flux per shot);
- shot-to-shot reliability both in single shot and repetition rate (0.5 Hz) mode.

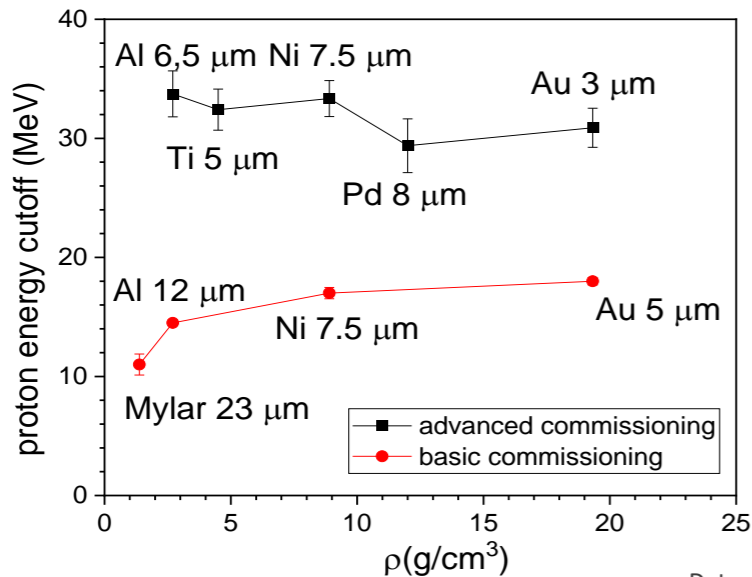
Two phases:

- Basic commissioning: accelerator performances @ poor laser contrast;
- Advanced commissioning: define the input proton beam for the ELIMED user station
basic commissioning using high quality contrast level.



Main information

- ✓ Max cut-off energy > 30 MeV;
- ✓ Proton fluxes @ 3 MeV >> 1×10^{11} protons;
- ✓ Max ion signal without defocusing

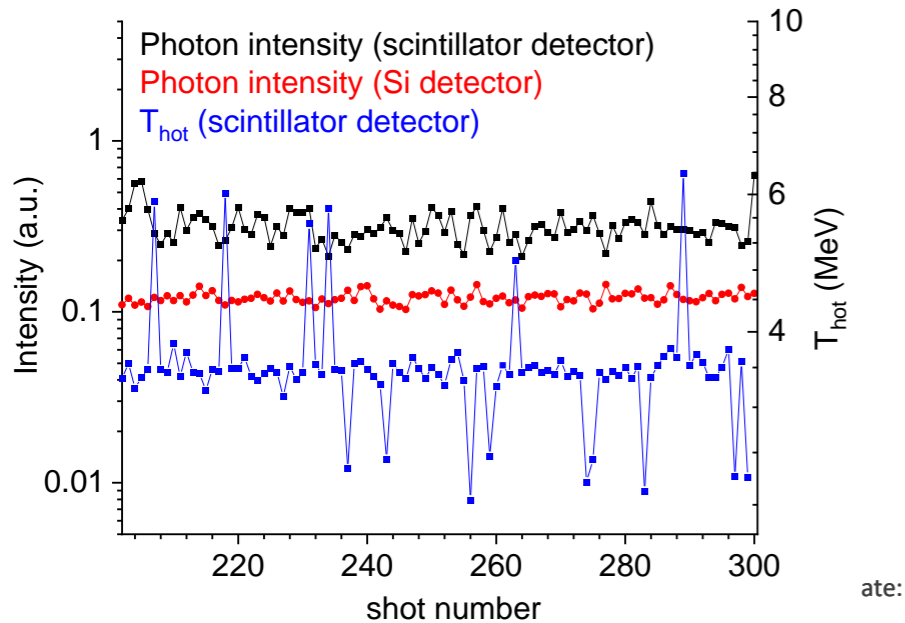
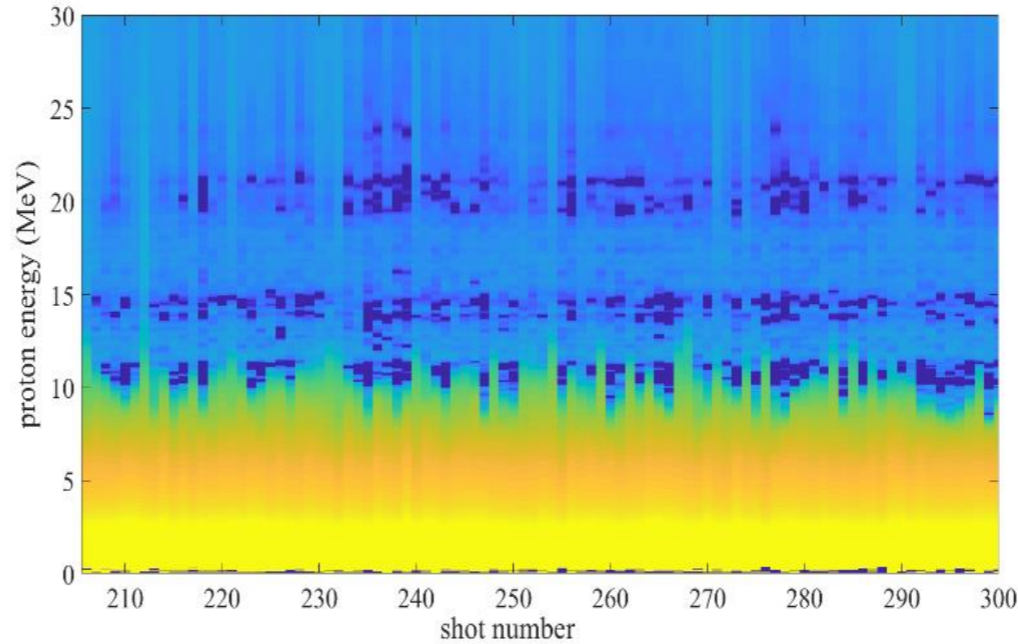
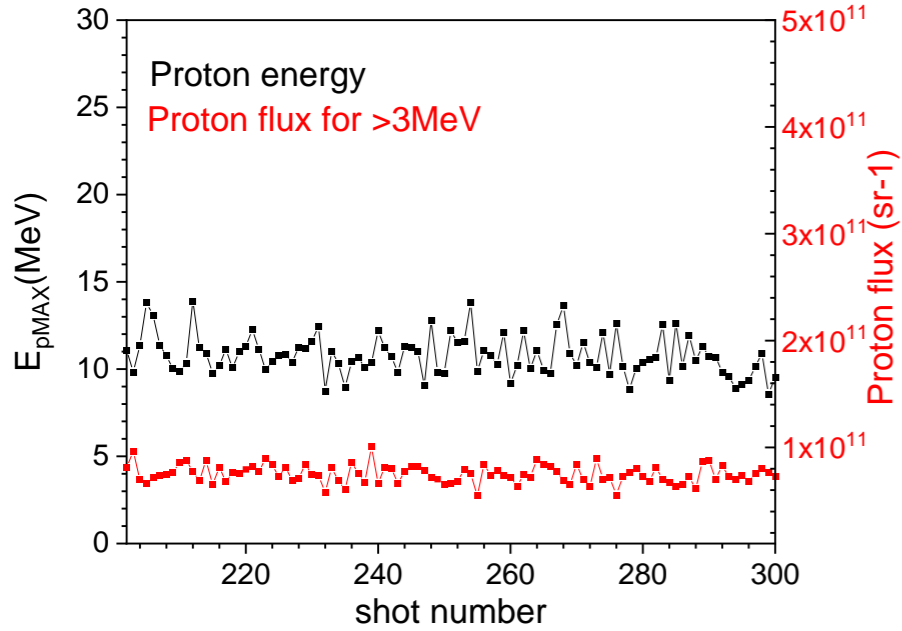


	Low ns-contrast	High ns-contrast
Max cut-off energy	<20 MeV	>30 MeV
Proton fluxes @ 3 MeV	$\sim 1 \times 10^{10}$	$\gg 1 \times 10^{11}$
Best signal	Negative defocusing	On hard focusing



Rep. rate series @ 10^{21} W/cm²

fluctuation evaluation



Fluctuations		100 consecutive shots @ 0.5 Hz
Laser energy	0.2%	9.58 ± 0.02 J
Laser intensity @FWHM	2.7%	$(1.33 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{21}$ W/cm ²
T _{hot}	1.1%	3.502 ± 0.037 MeV
Photon flux	1%	
E _{pMAX}	1.1%	10.79 ± 0.12 MeV
Proton flux >3 MeV	1.2%	$7.5 \times 10^{10} \pm 8.9 \times 10^8$ sr-1

Consistency on ion diagnostics

Are we sure about the measured signal???

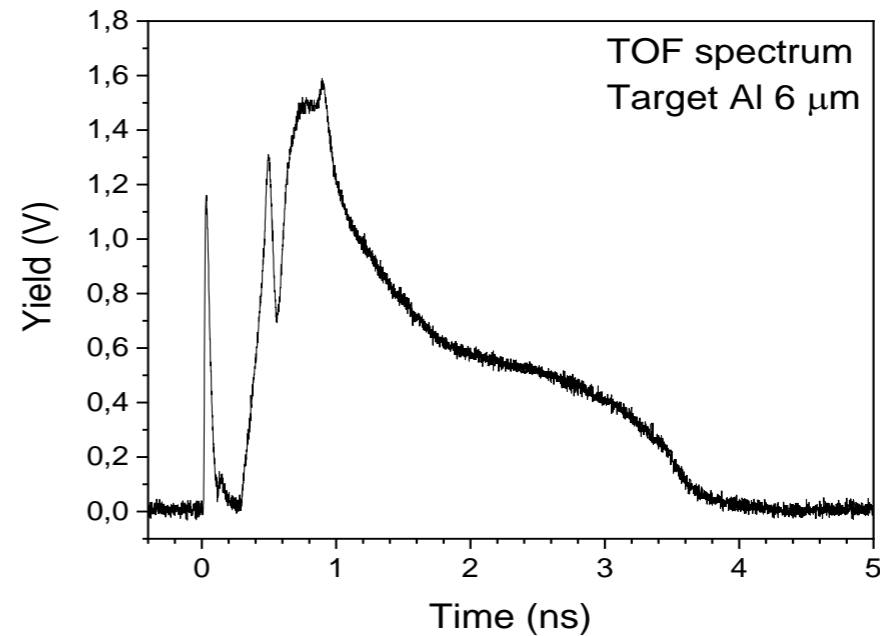
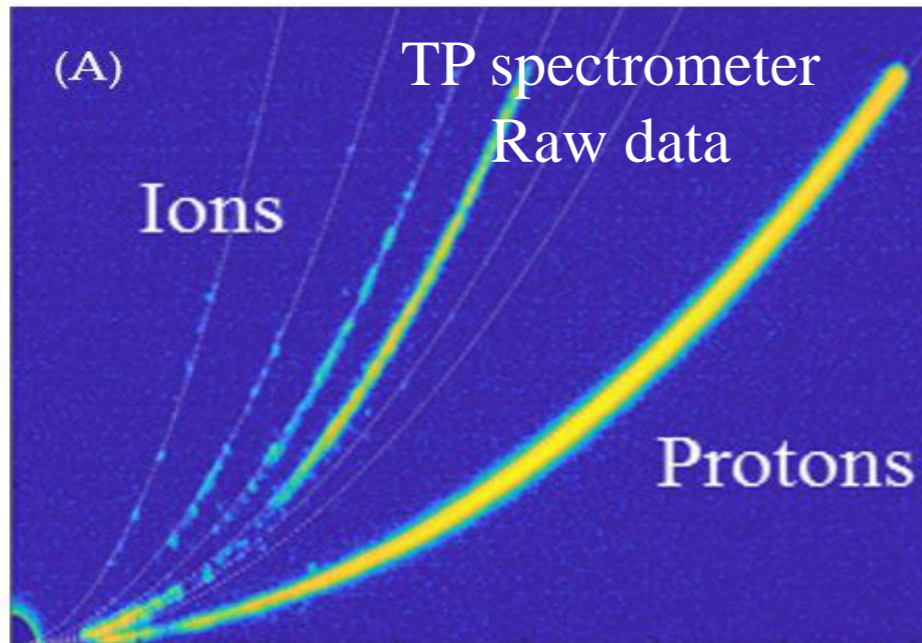


Comparison of different ion diagnostics

TP results

vs

TOF results

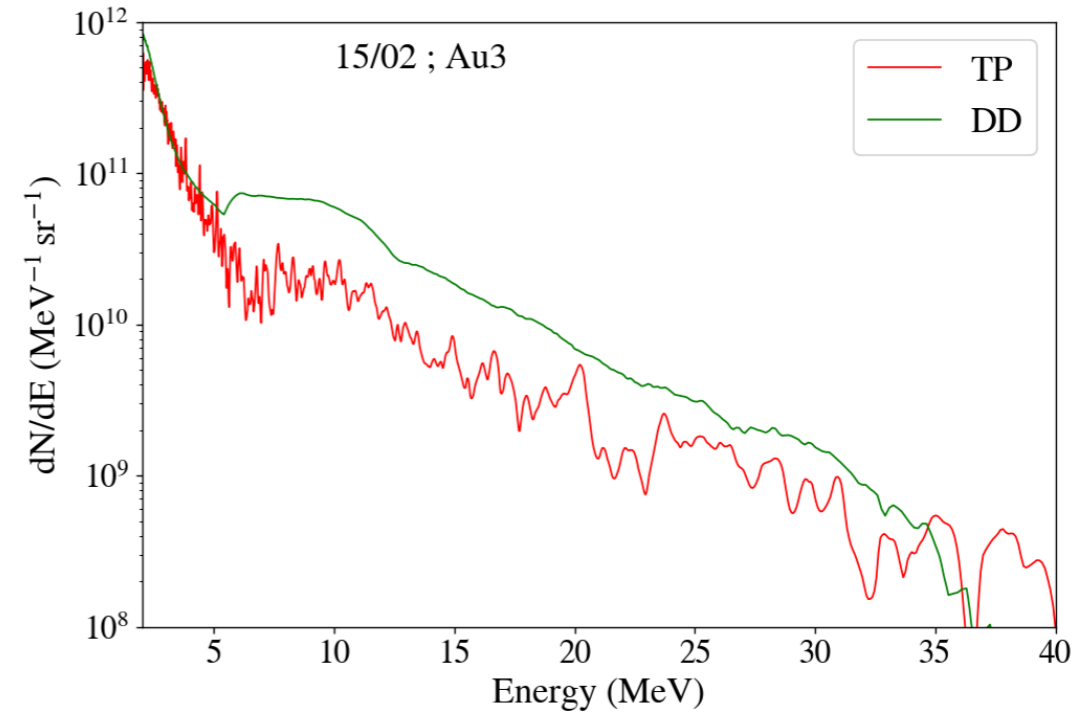
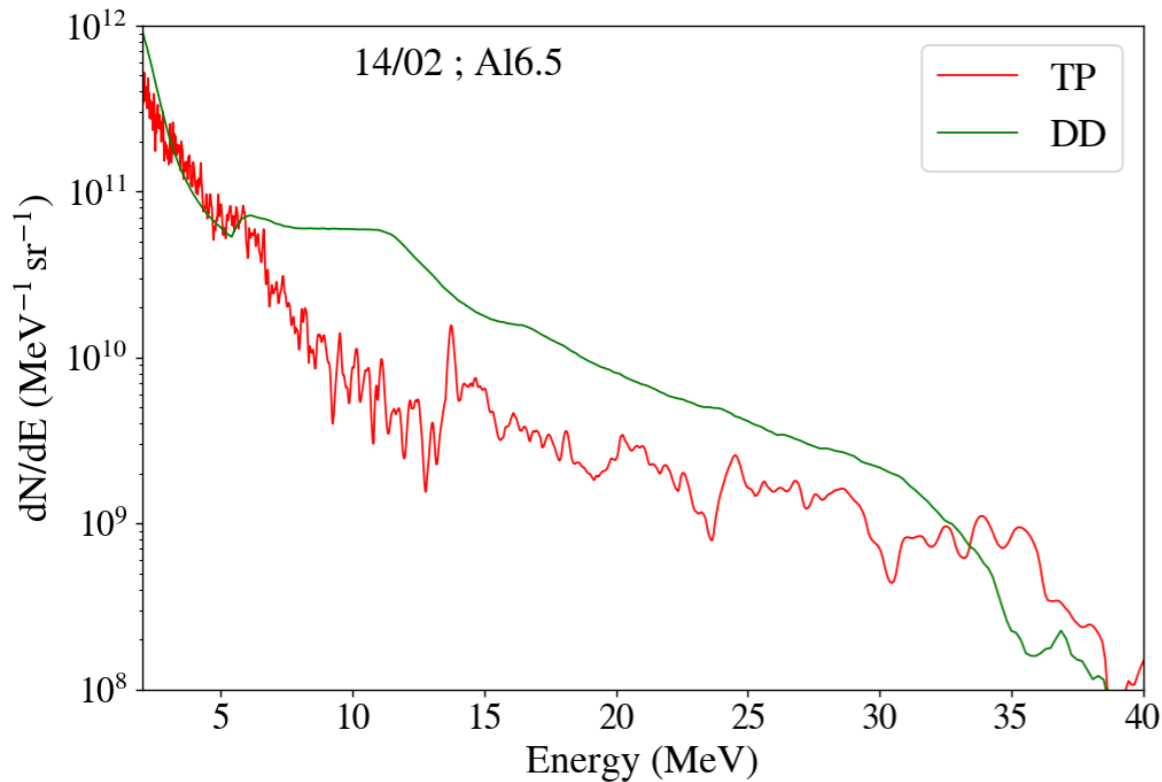


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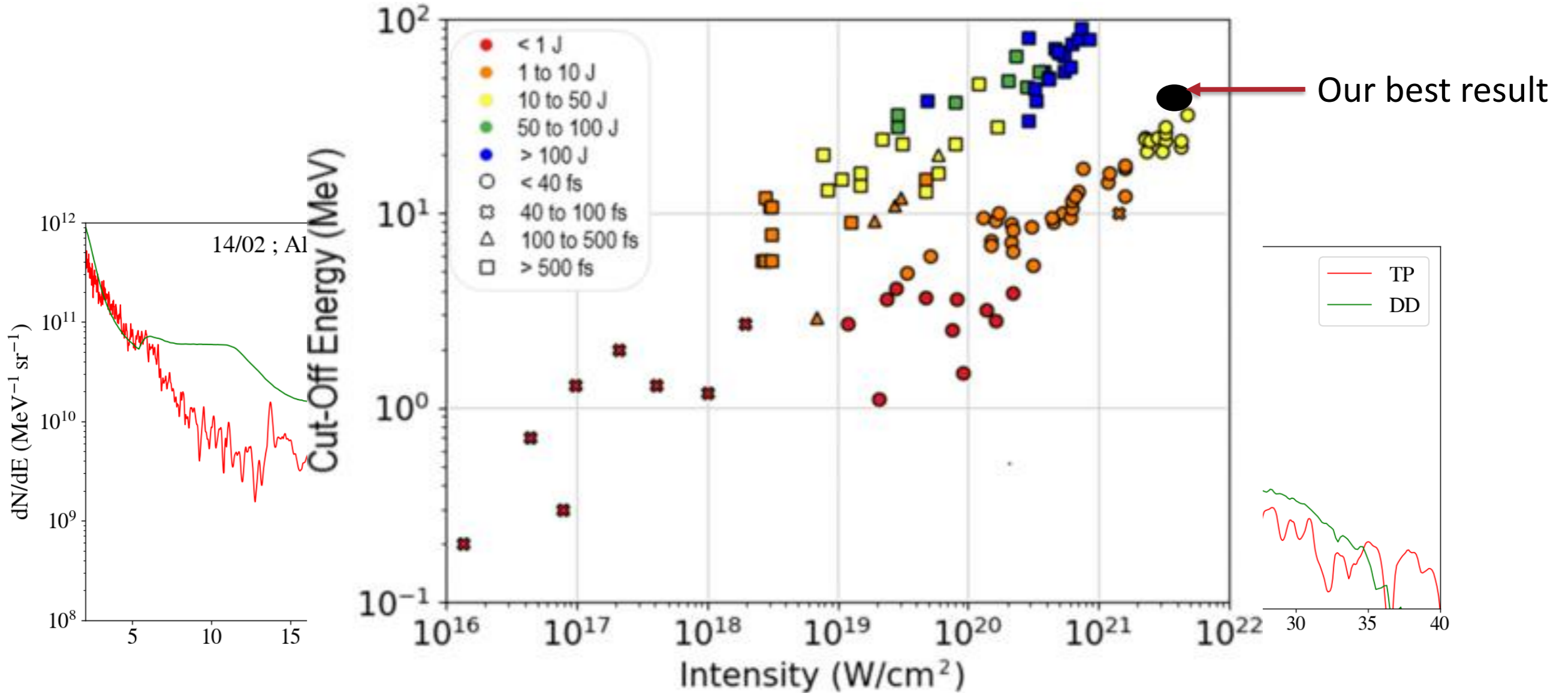


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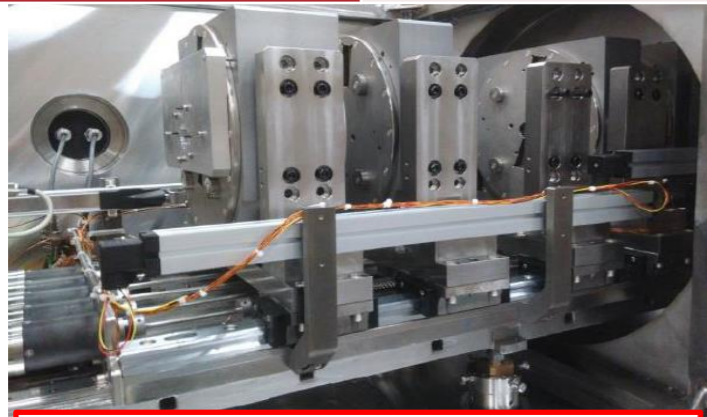
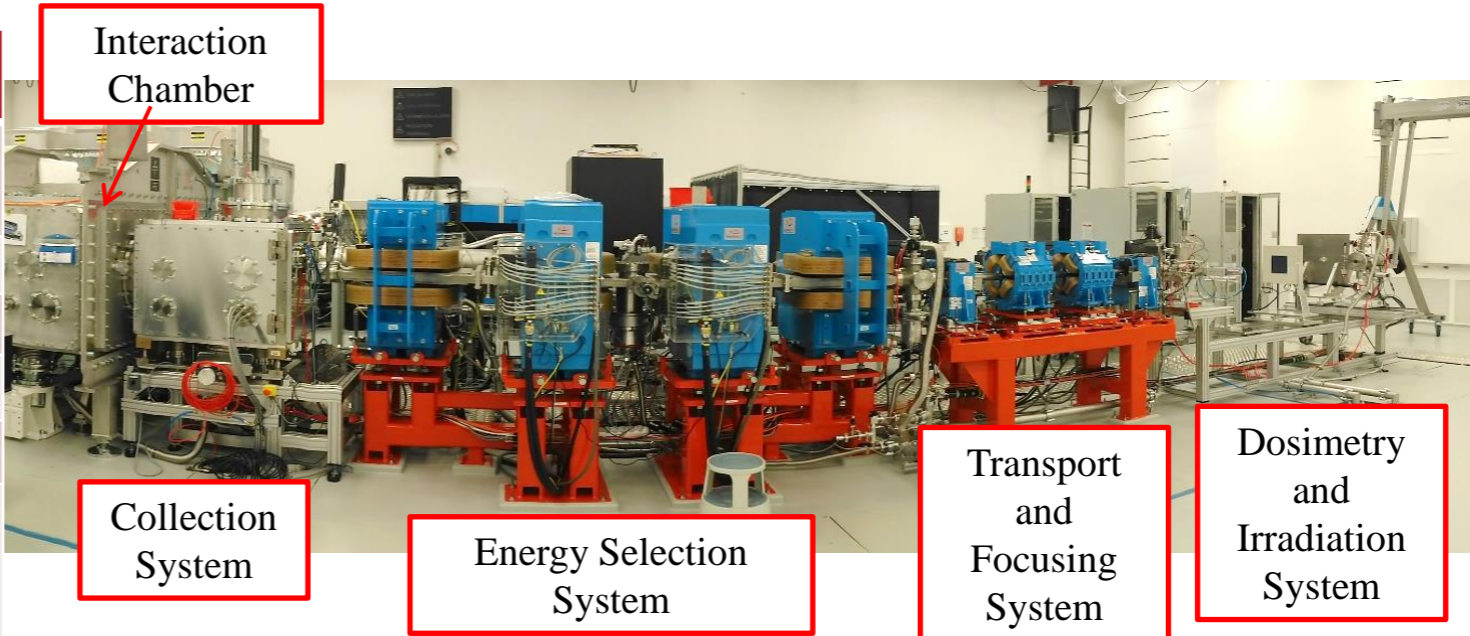
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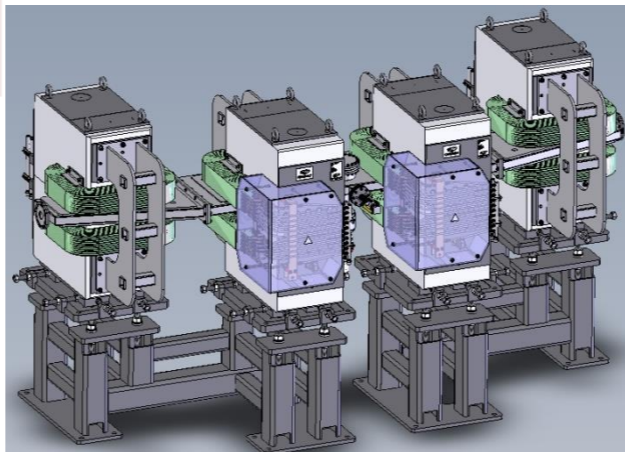


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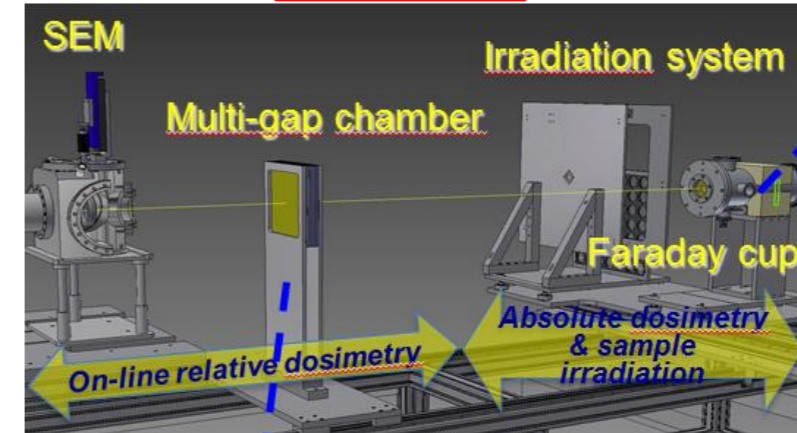
ELIMED Station	Design parameters @ user sample
Proton energy	5-60 MeV (angular spread and PMQ limited)
Ions/shot	$1 \cdot 10^8 - 1 \cdot 10^{10}/\text{sr}$
Bunch duration	~10 ns
Ion beam aperture	~ 1 deg (FWHM)
Ion beam spot size	0.1-10mm (FWHM)
Repetition rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Static setup allows for CW beams. • Up to 1Hz in active energy modulation mode



Collection System:
5 PMQs, 36mm magnetic bore, 100 T/m gradient with 2% uniformity



Energy Selection system:
4 electro-dipoles, 55mm bore, 0.06 – 1.226 T with 0.5% uniformity, linear resolution with slit aperture size, active energy modulation possible



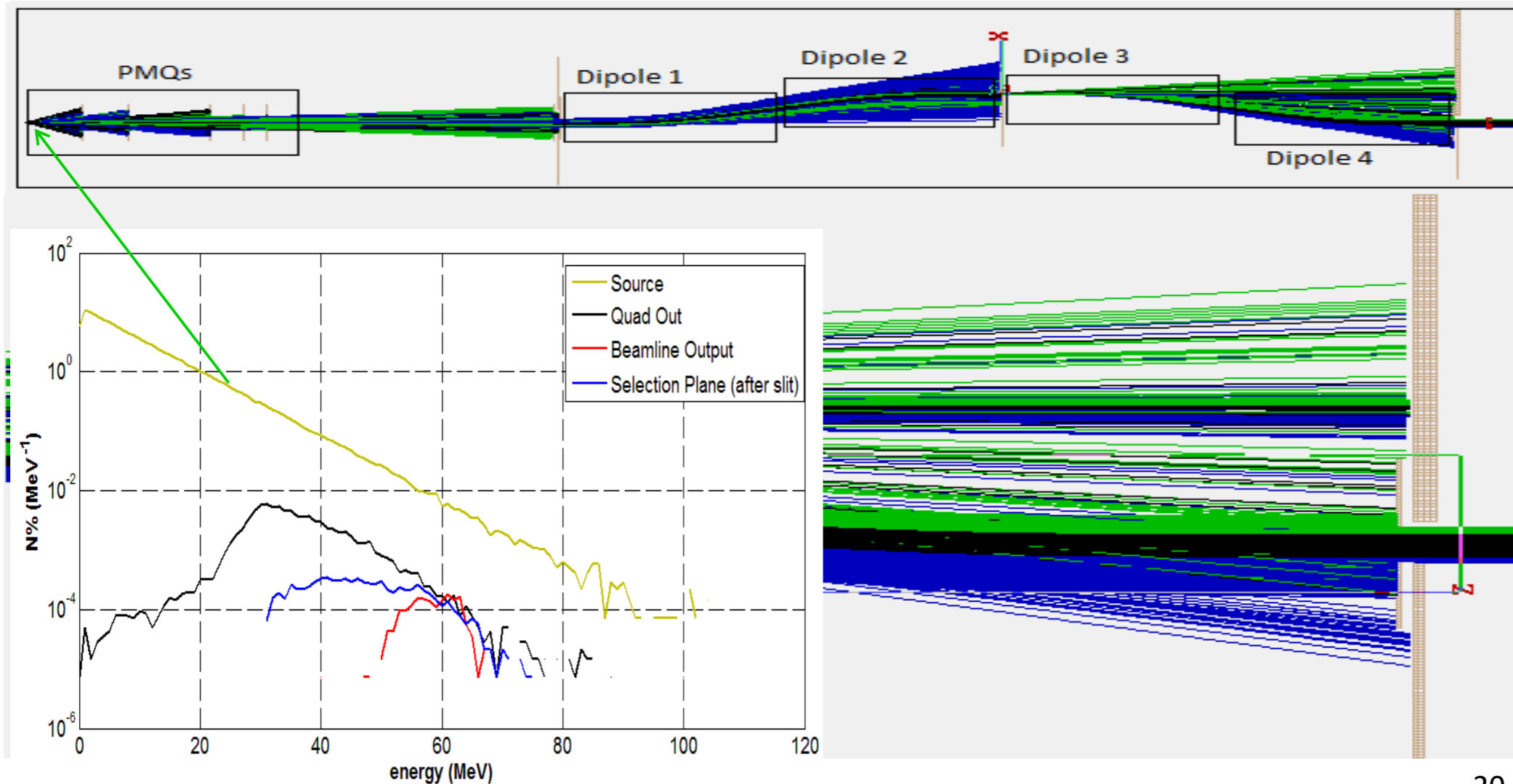
Dosimetry and Irradiation System:
SEM for beam current monitor, Multi-gap chamber for relative-online dosimetry, FC for absolute dosimetry, automated sample irradiation system



Beam transport: TNSA-like protons

Angular divergence = 5° (FWHM)

Transmission efficiency $\sim 12\%$ ($9,2e7$ H⁺/bunch)

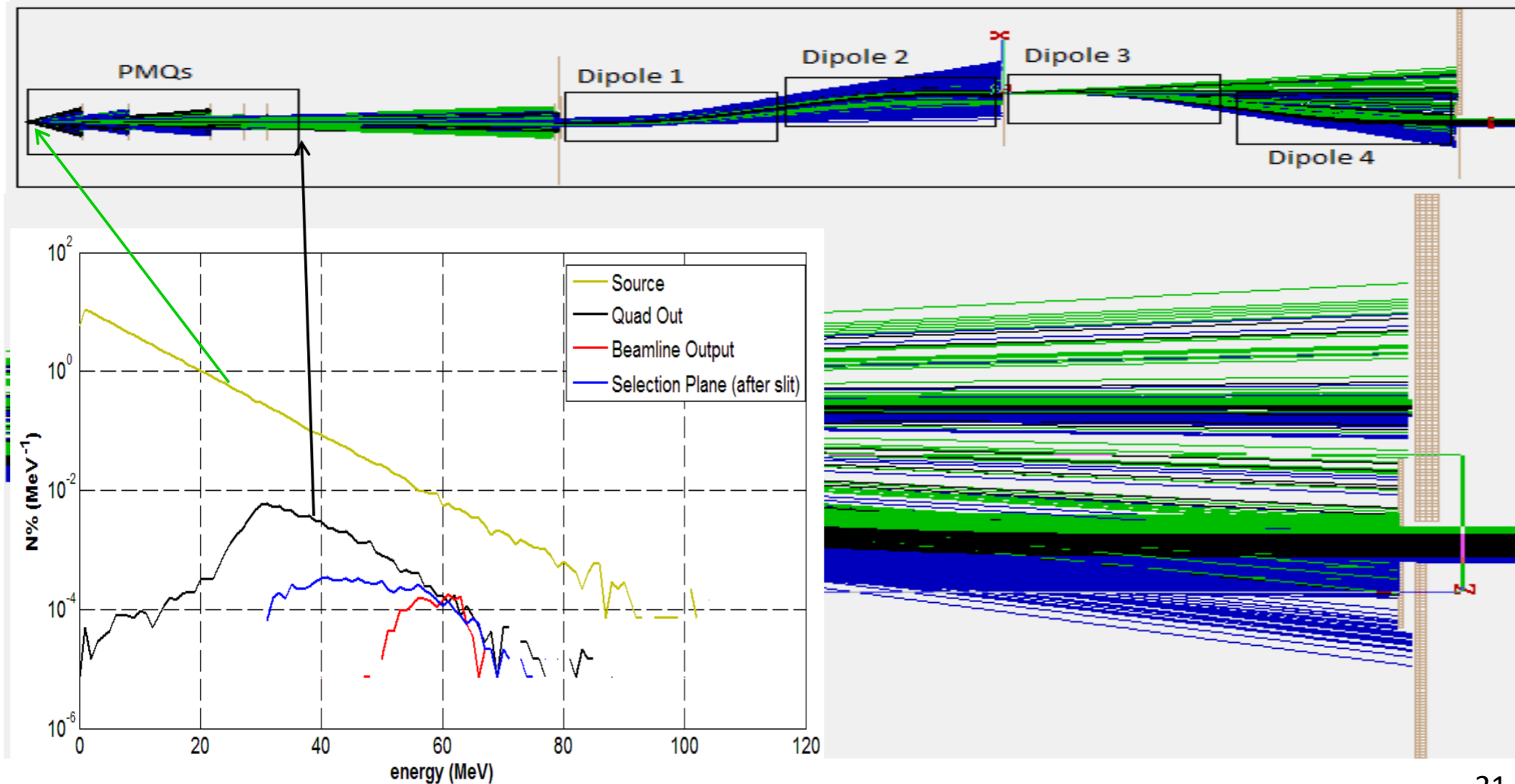




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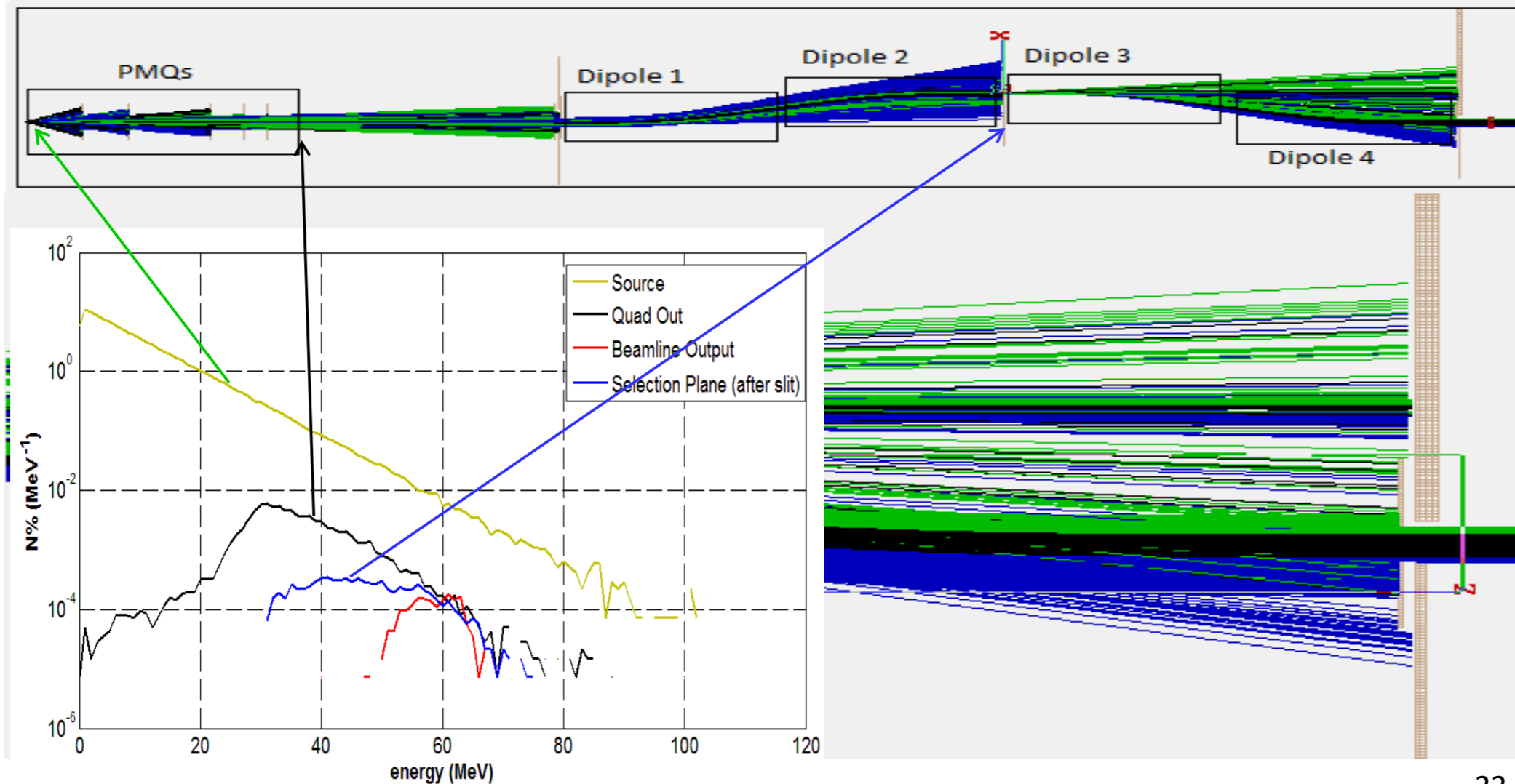




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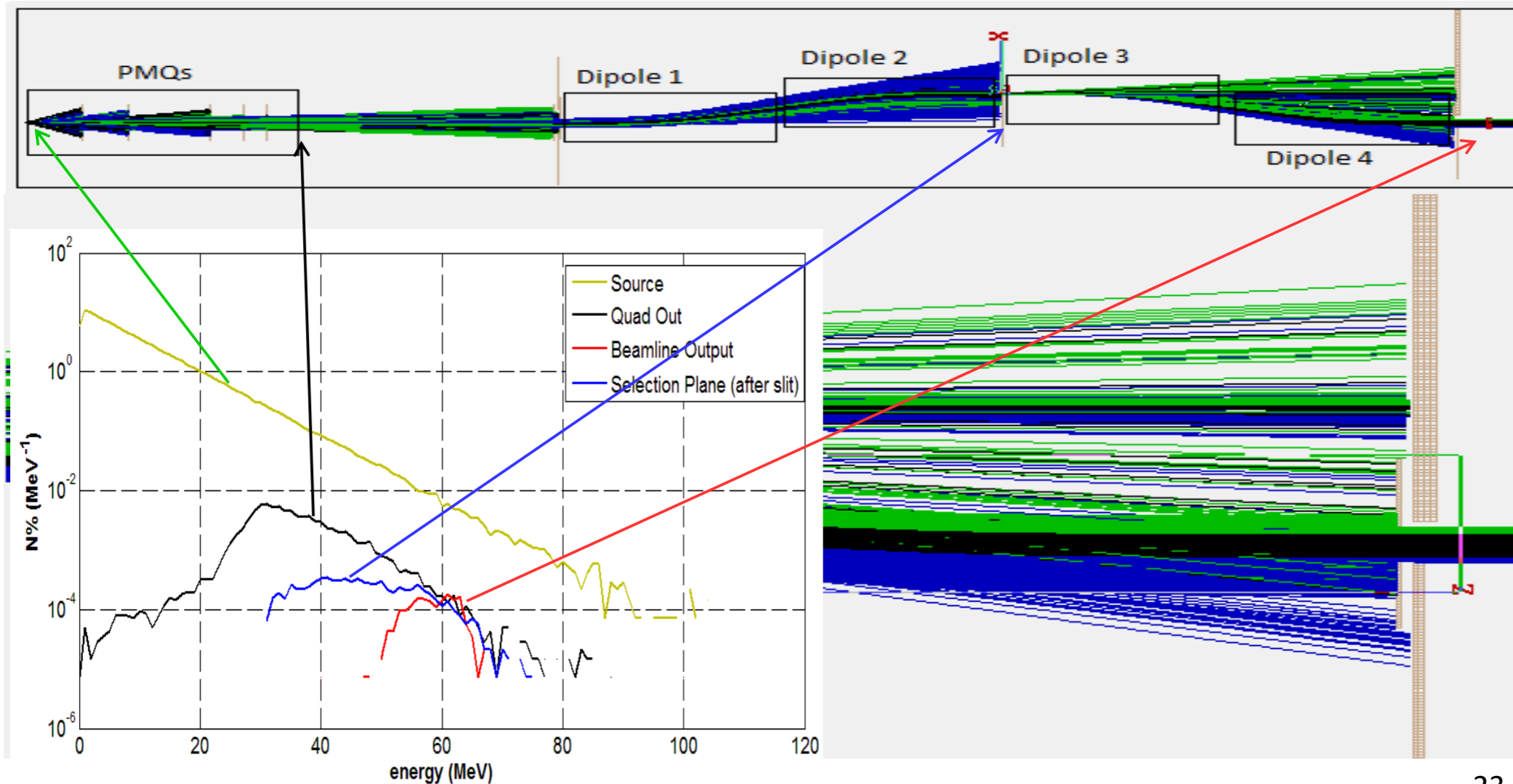




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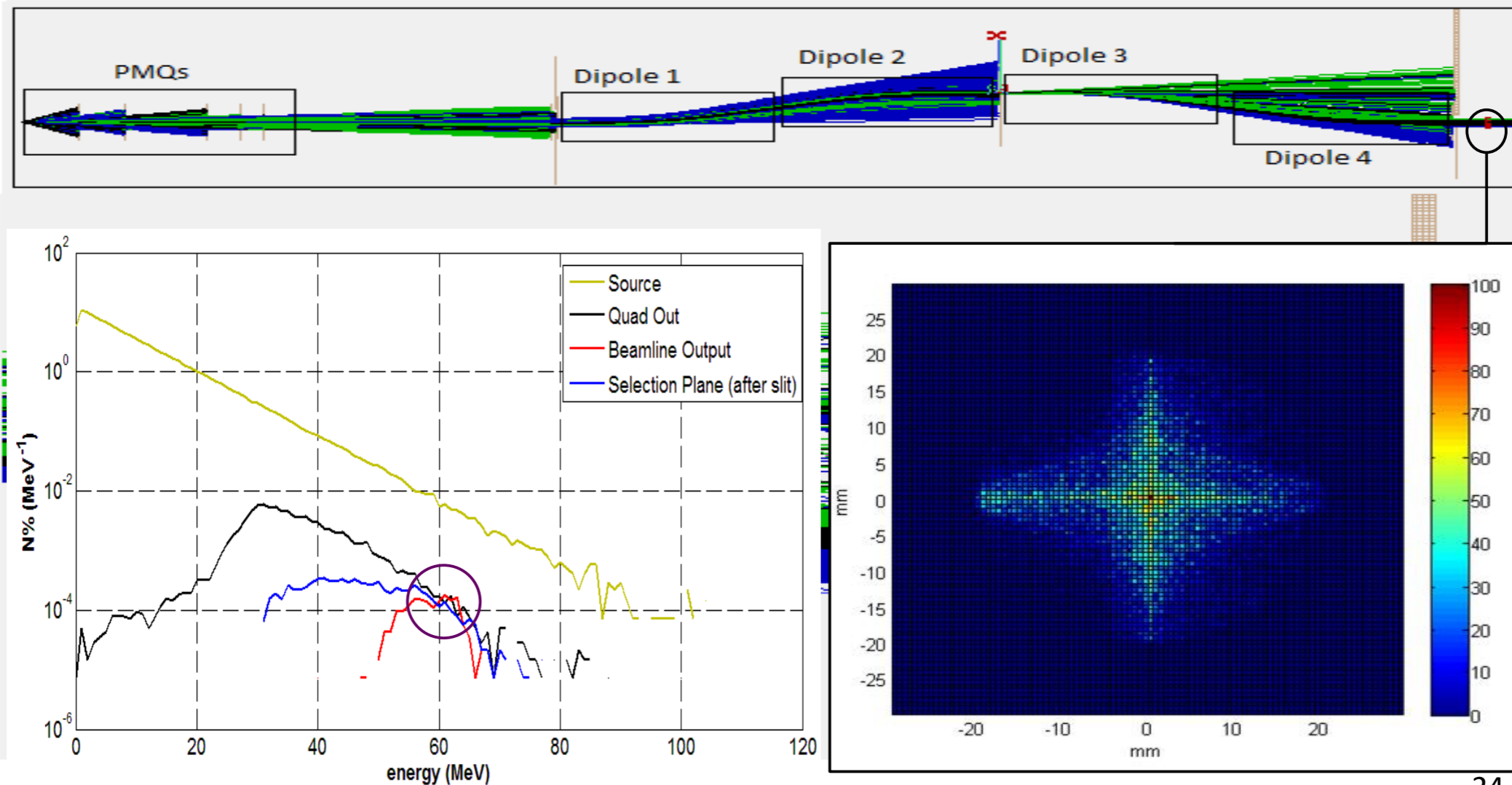
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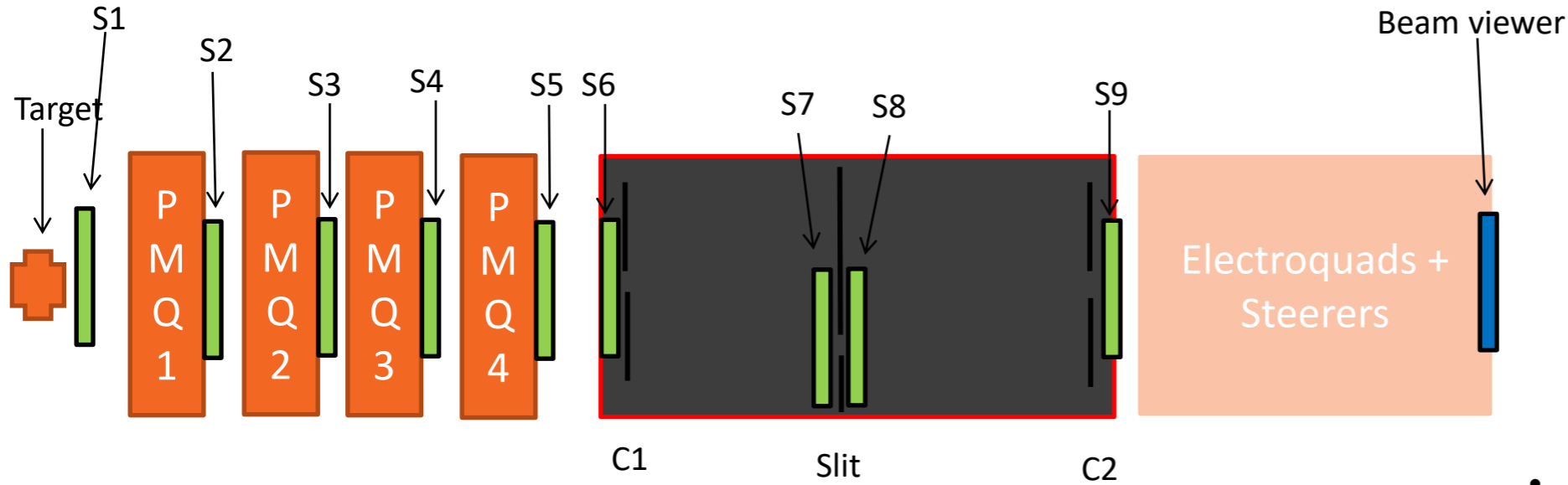


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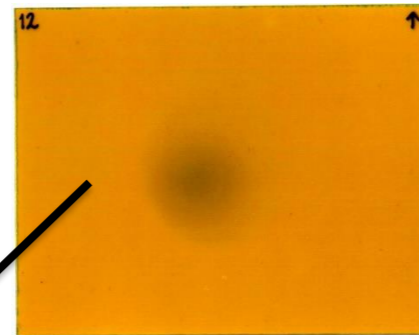
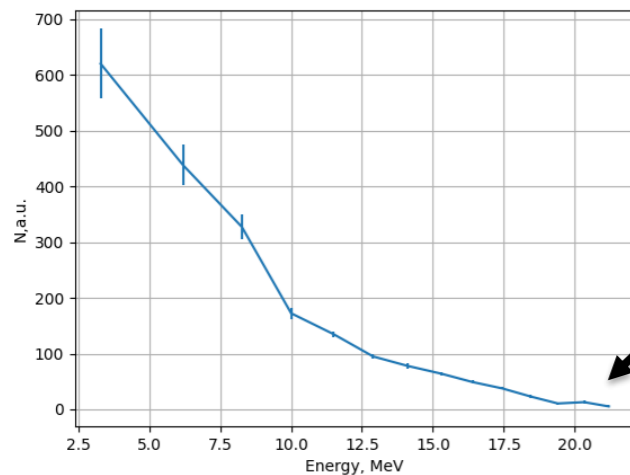
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- In-vacuum ion beam optics study for the different subsystems of ELIMED (Collection, Selection and Focusing)
- Energy resolution study of the selection system
- In-air dosimetric characterization of the ion beam





**Thank you
for your attention!**



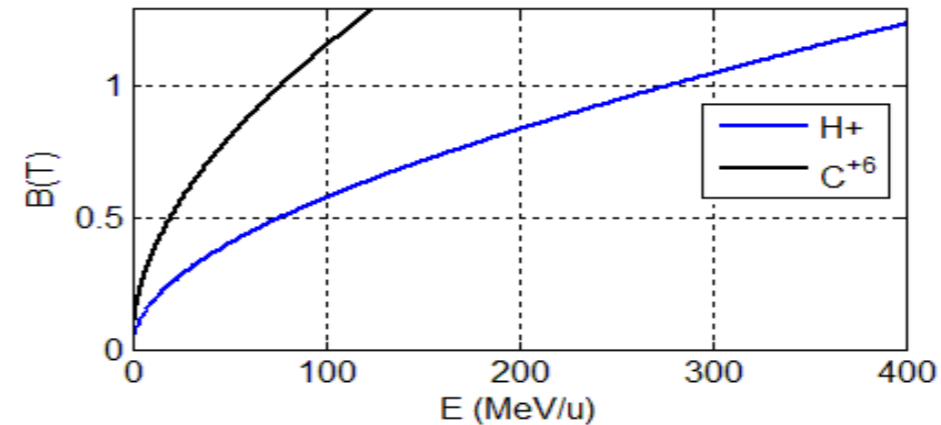
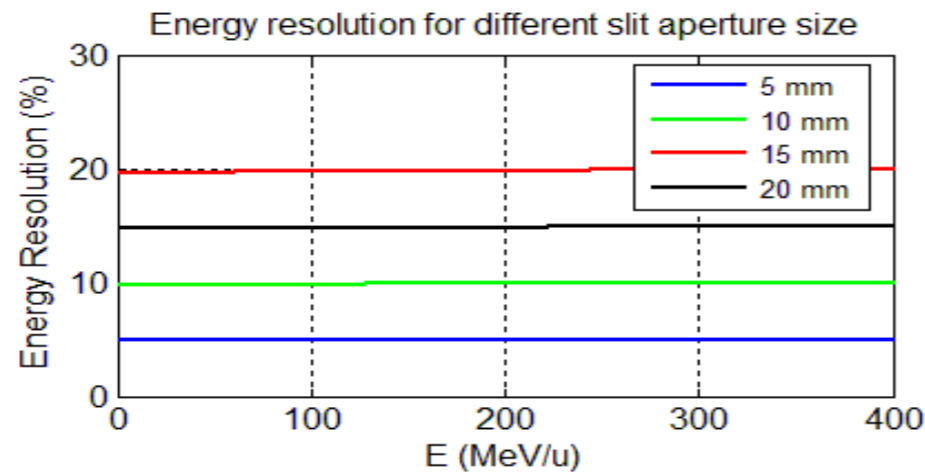
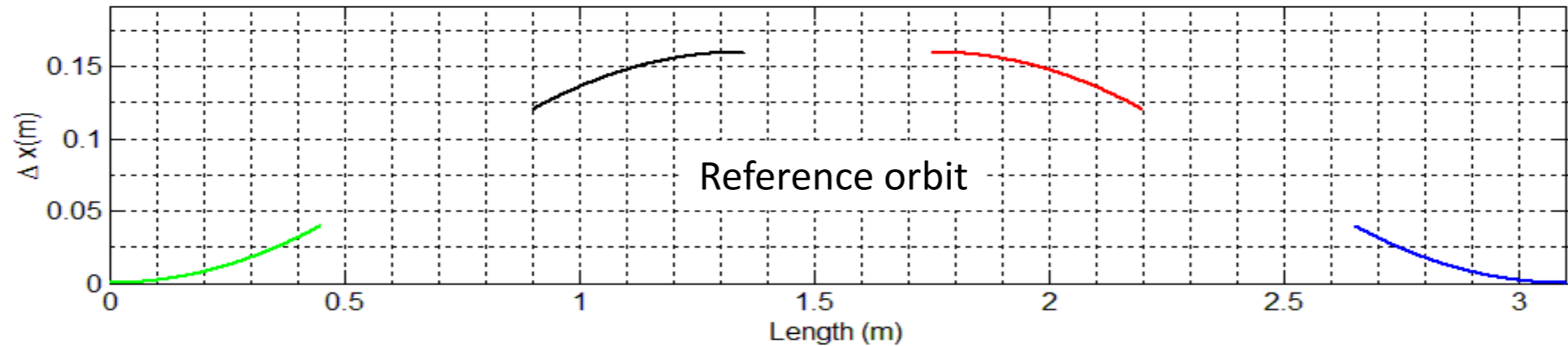


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ESS Features



Magnetic chicane based on a bunch compressor scheme
 Path length: 3,168m
 Two collimators $\phi = 30$ mm, selection slit $s \times 20$ mm.

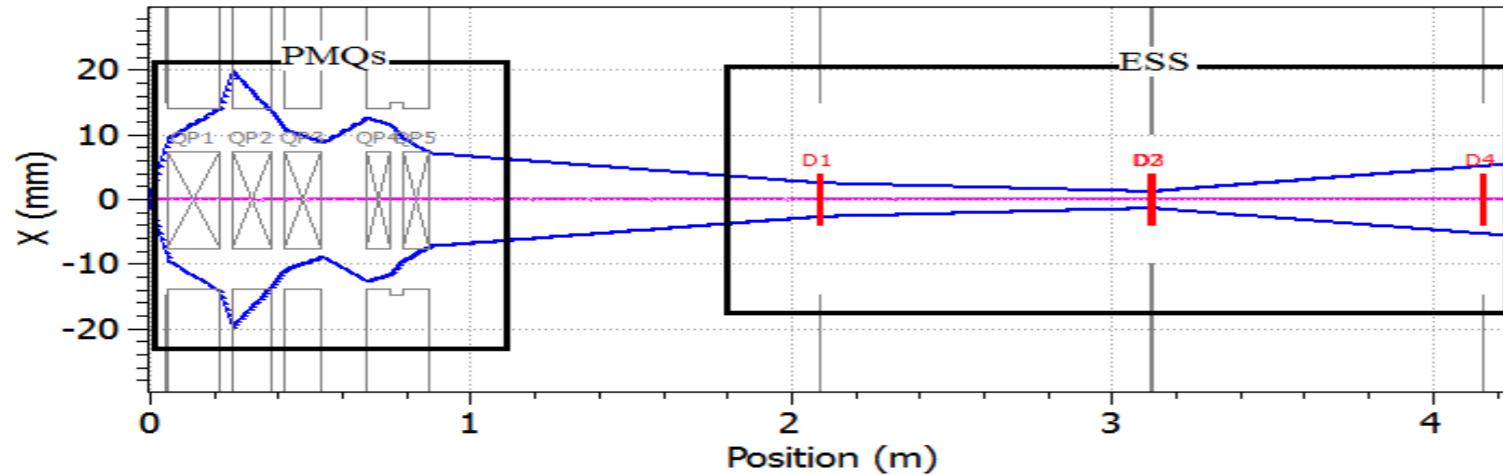
Collection and Selection systems matching conditions

Linearised chicane to define the PMQs set up according the (general) matching conditions:

- 1) Waist close to the slit on the radial direction $M_{12}=0$
- 2) Parallel beam on the transverse plane $M_{44}=0$
- 3) Fixed beam dimensions at the selection plane (20x20mm)
- 4) Transmission efficiency of 10% is ensured

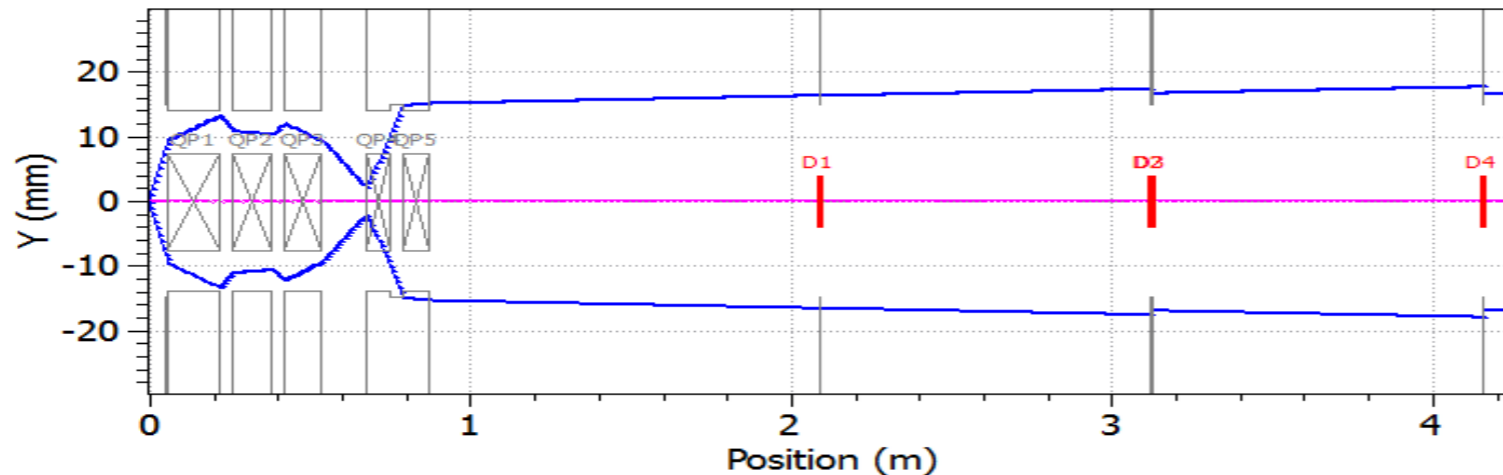
4 conditions require 4 quads

Originally they were 2x160 and 2x120
One of the longest was cut in 2 to
match condition for all energies as
cost effective solution



Input Beam:

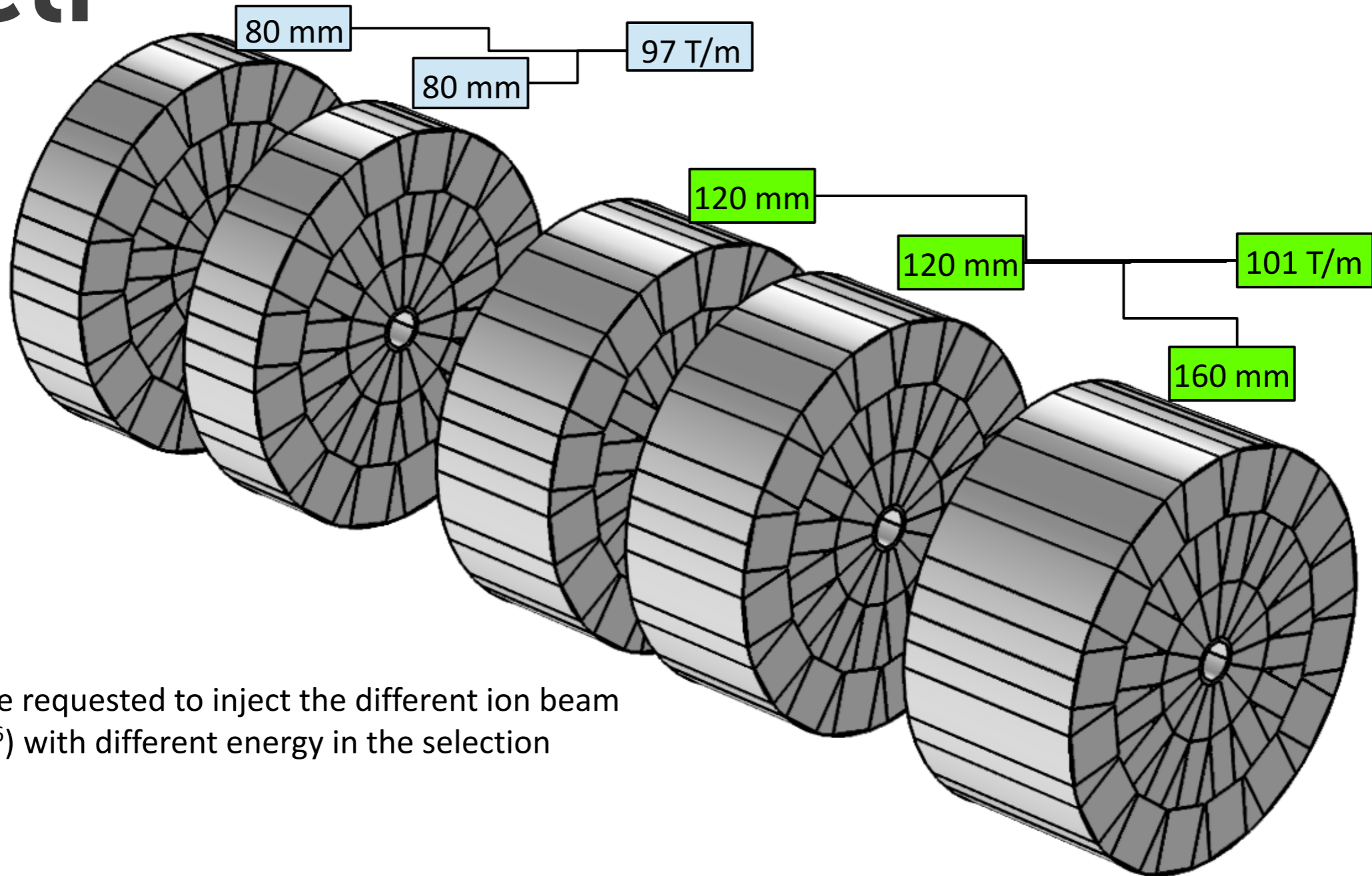
- .60 MeV
- $\pm 10^\circ$ uniform angular spread
- ~40 μm diameter



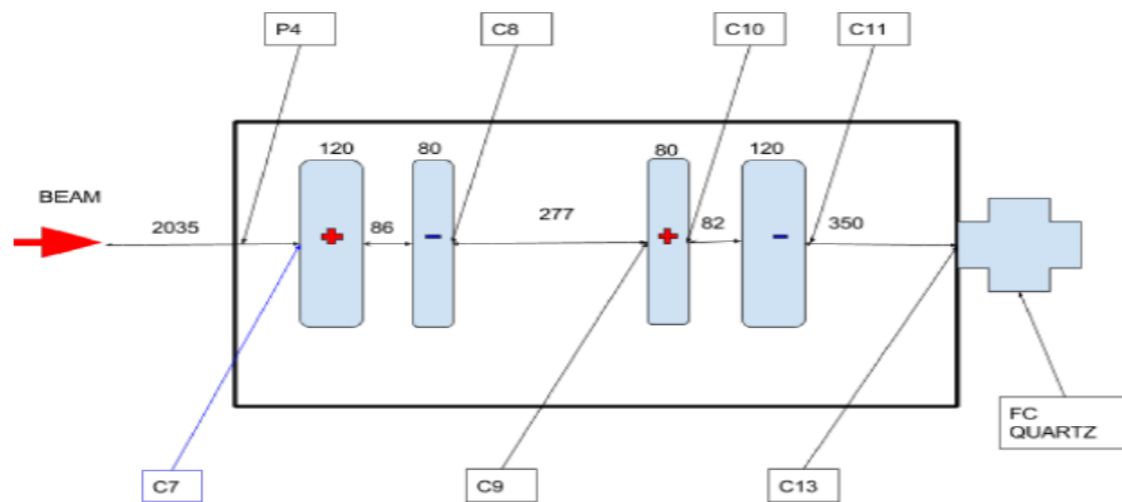
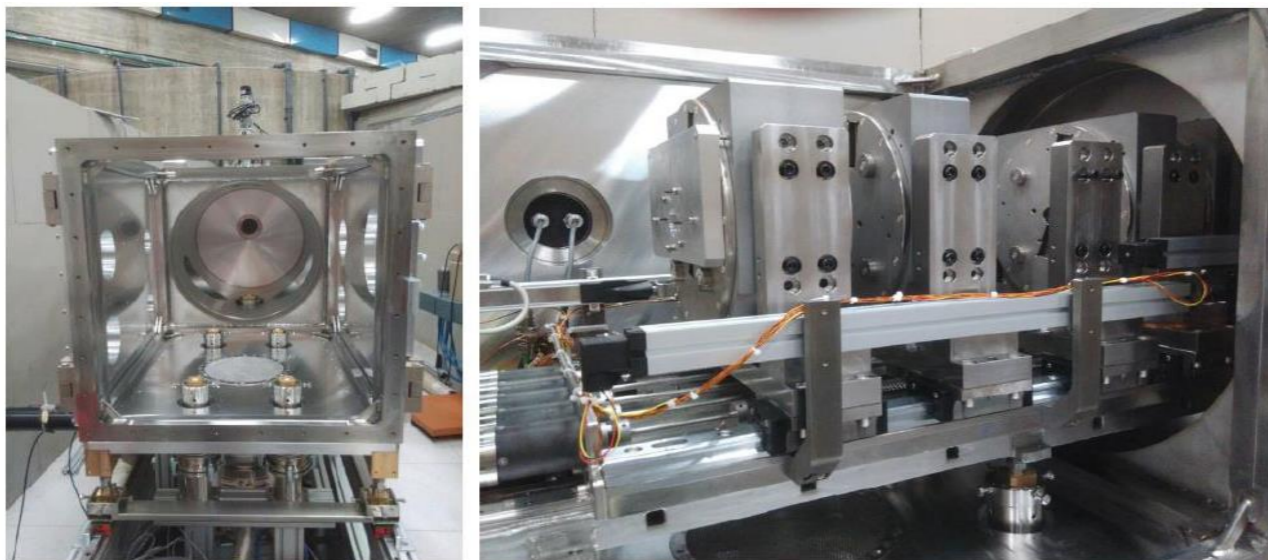
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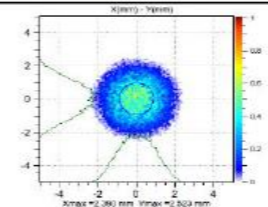
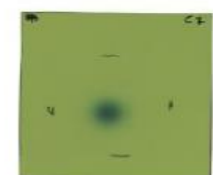
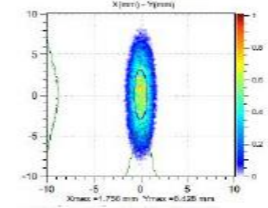
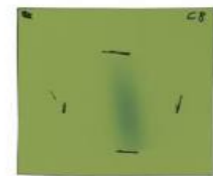
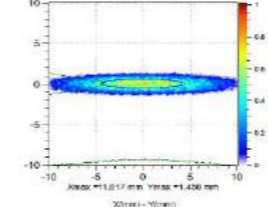

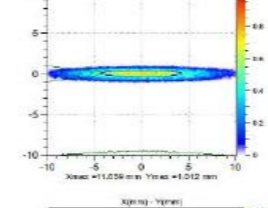
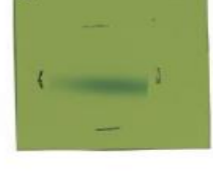
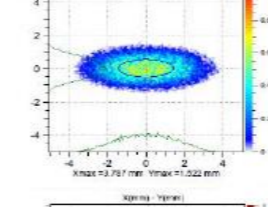
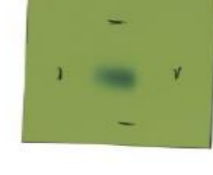
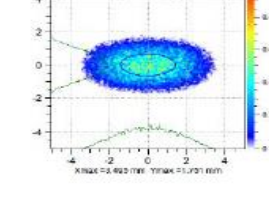

- Target-Quad1 minimum distance: 50 mm
- Minimum distance between Quads: 40 mm
- Target-ESS distance 2.05 m

Collection systems



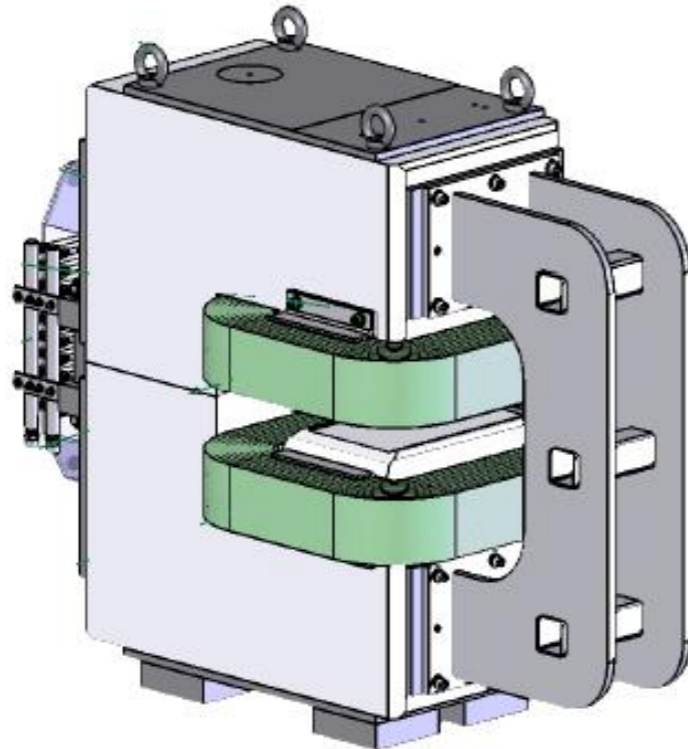
5 PMQs are requested to inject the different ion beam (H^+ and C^{+6}) with different energy in the selection system



Position	Simulation	GAF
C7		
C8		
C9		
C10		
C11		
C13		

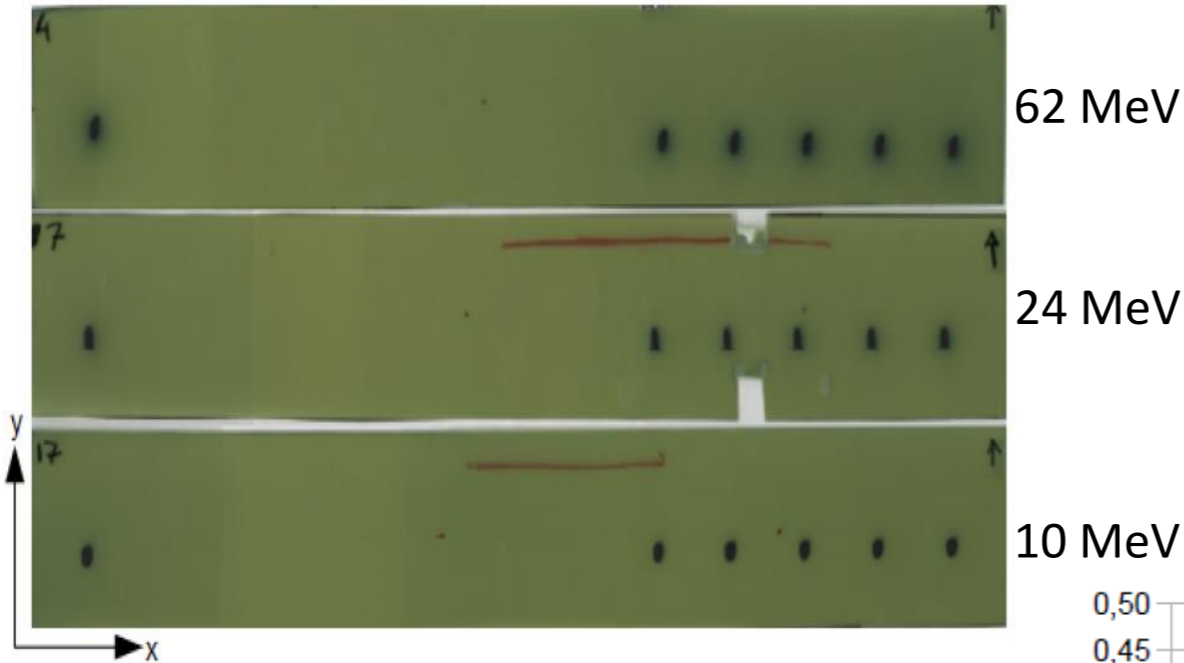
Energy Selector Features

n° of Dipoles	B field	Geometric length	Effective length	Gap
4		400 mm		
Good Field region (GFR)	Field uniformity	Curvature radius	Bending angle	Drift between dipoles
100 mm	< 0.5 %	2.570 m	10.10°	500 mm



- Magnet efficiency: **97%**
- Packing factor: **99% (1 mm lamination)**
- 116x116** mm coil section (10x10 turns, 0.4 mm of insulator, 4 mm water channel)
- Max current: **300 A**
- Total weight: **2.6 Tons**
- < 28** kWatt in total

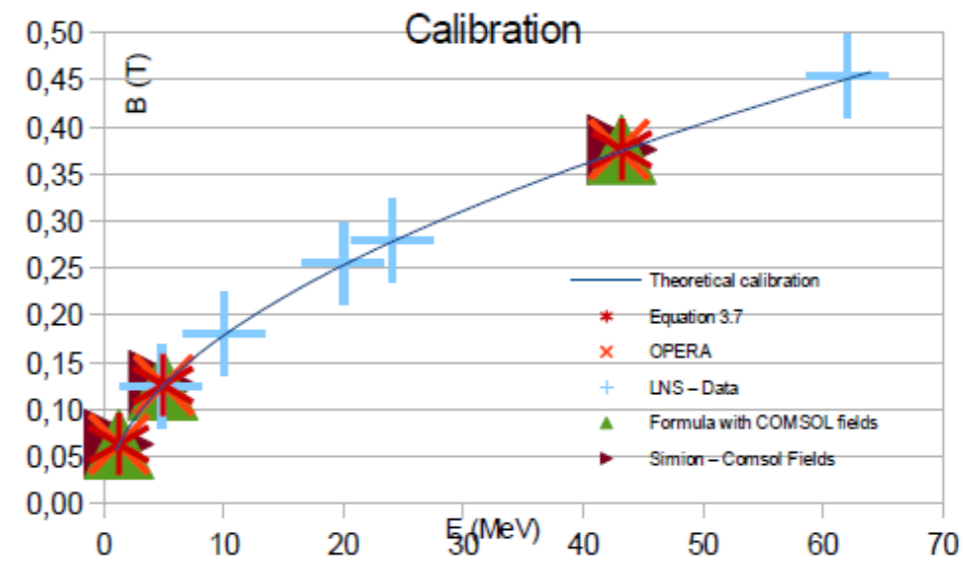
Reinforcement to guarantee 42 mm inner clearance in the vacuum chamber



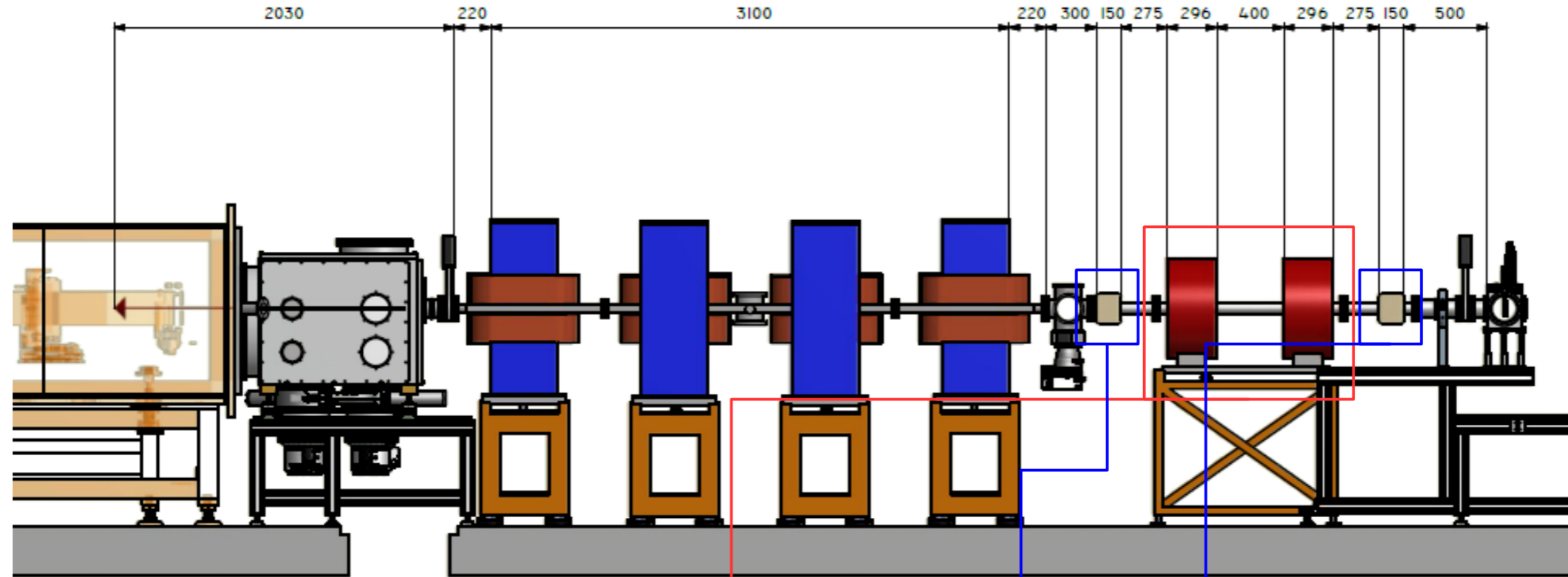
GafChromic films set up on the selection plane

B field [G]	Nominal position [mm]	Measured position [mm]	Deviation [%]
3630,3	127,5	128	0,4
4084,1	142,5	143	0,3
4537,1	160	160,5	0,3
4991,7	177,5	177	-0,3
5445,5	192,5	193,5	0,5

Data for 62 MeV Protons



Quads and Steerers



Quads Specs:

Iron length: 296mm
 Packing factor 98%
 Effective length: 331.5 mm
 Gradient (max): 10T/m
 Bore: 70 mm
 GFR: 55 mm

Correctors Specs:

xy steering magnets
 B max: 300 gauss
 Geometrical length: 150mm