



# Plasma Parameters at Upper/Down Stream Region near ECR Zone and Optimizing Microwave-launching on ECRIS

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✓ Brief introduction of the optimizing microwave-launching

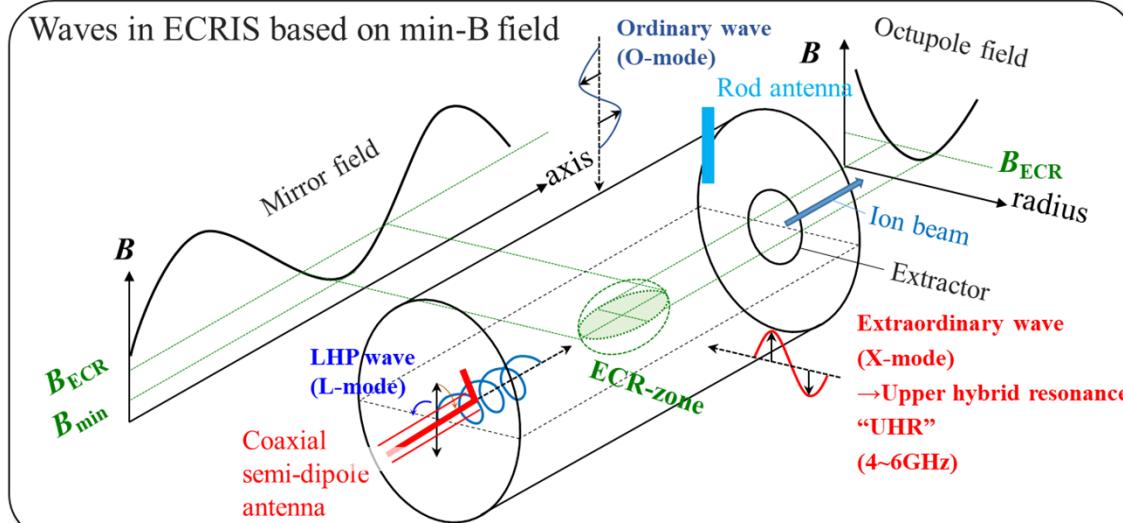
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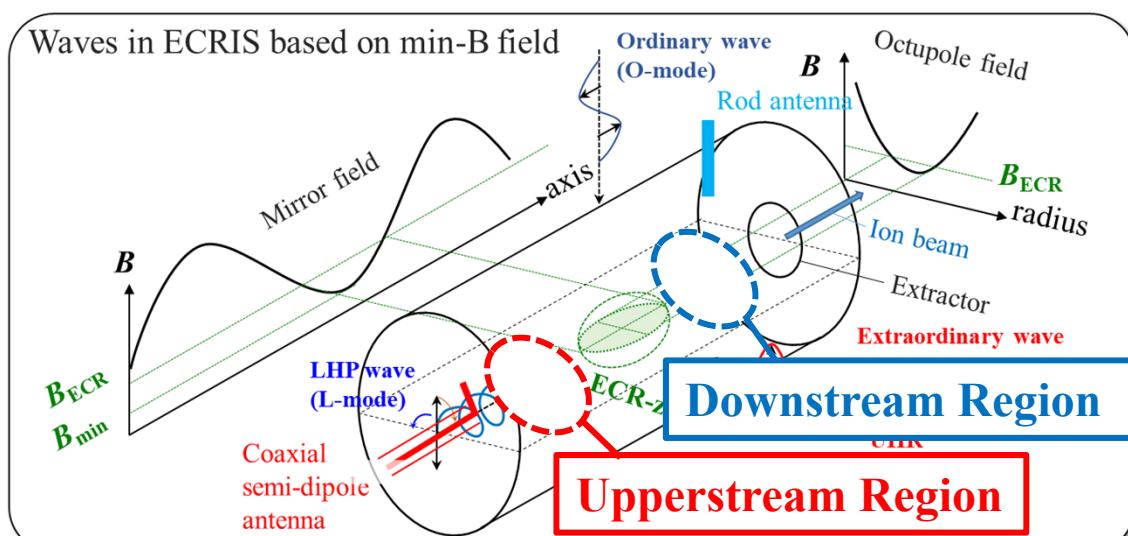
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## RHP wave

- The wave which give rise to ECR
- Transverse electric (TE) mode
- The direction of the propagation is parallel to the magnetic field

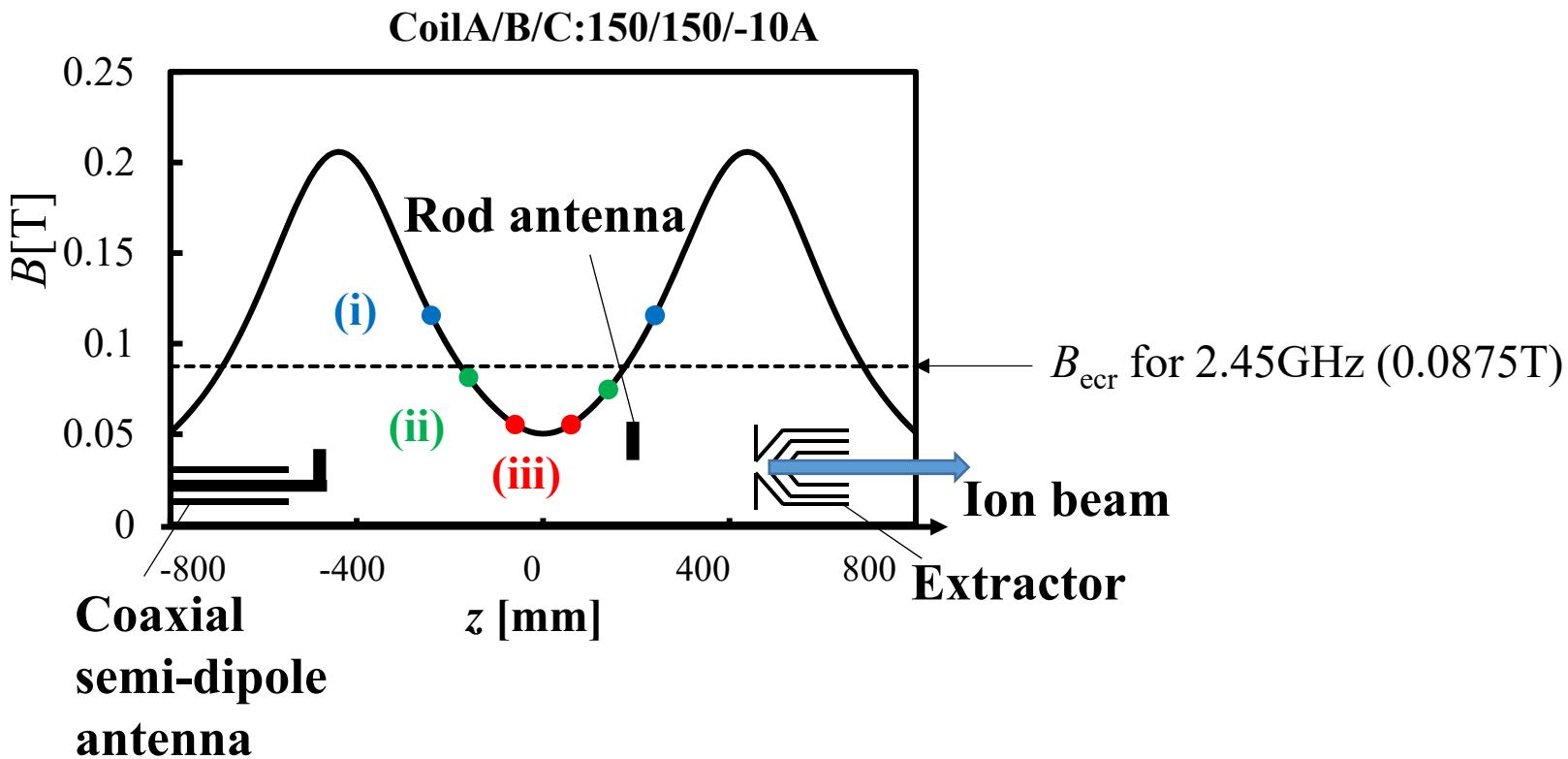
## The dispersion relationship

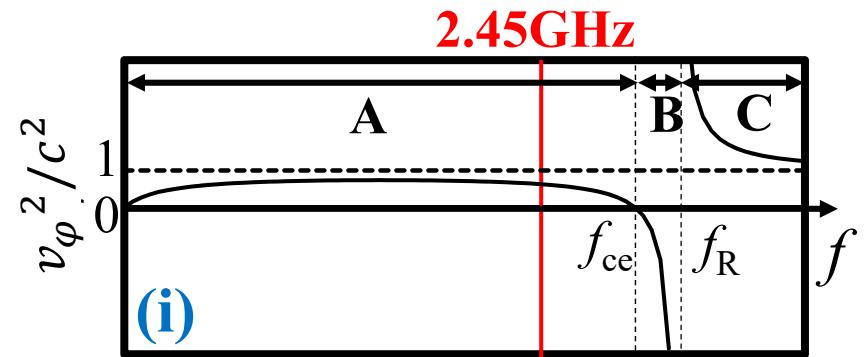
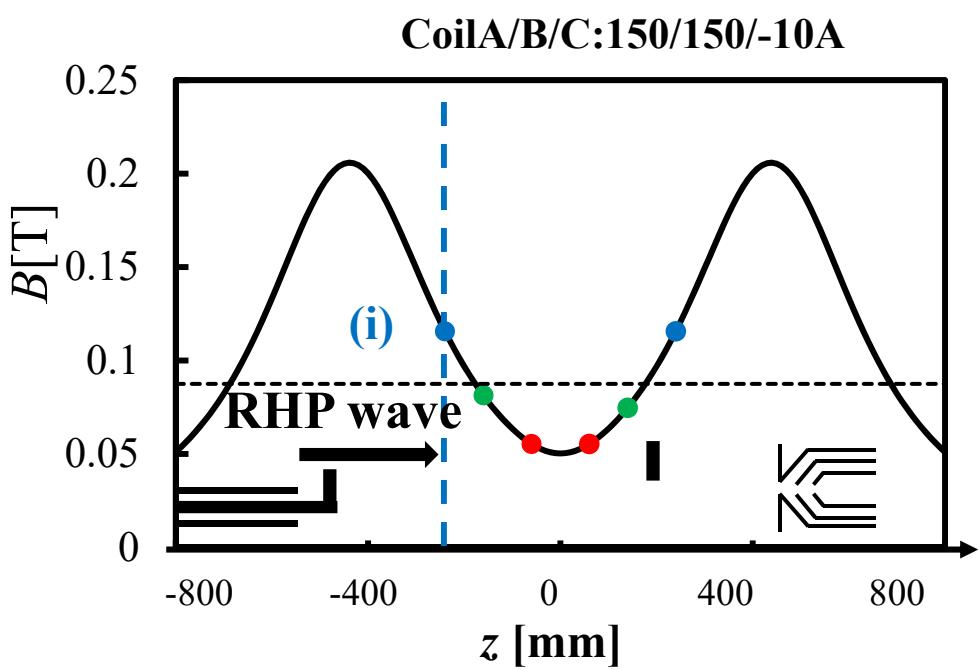
$$N_r^2 = \left( v_\phi^2 / c^2 \right)^{-1} = 1 - \frac{f_{pe}^2}{f(f - f_{ce})}$$
$$f = f_r \Leftrightarrow N_r = 0, f = f_{ce} \Leftrightarrow N_r = \infty$$

$N_r$ : Refraction index of RHP wave,

$v_\phi$ : Phase velocity of RHP wave,  $f$ : Microwave frequency (fixed (at 2.45GHz))

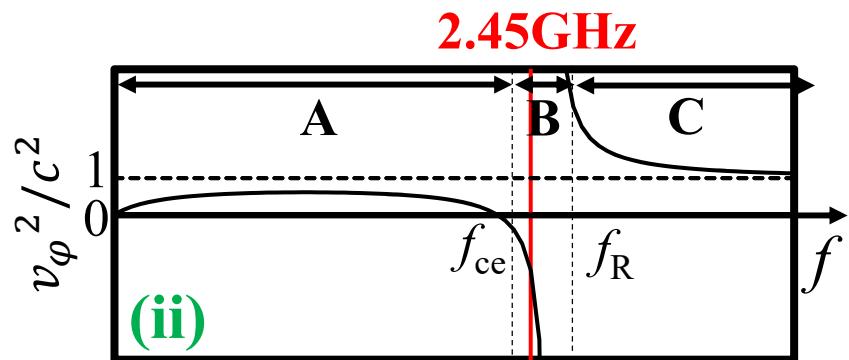
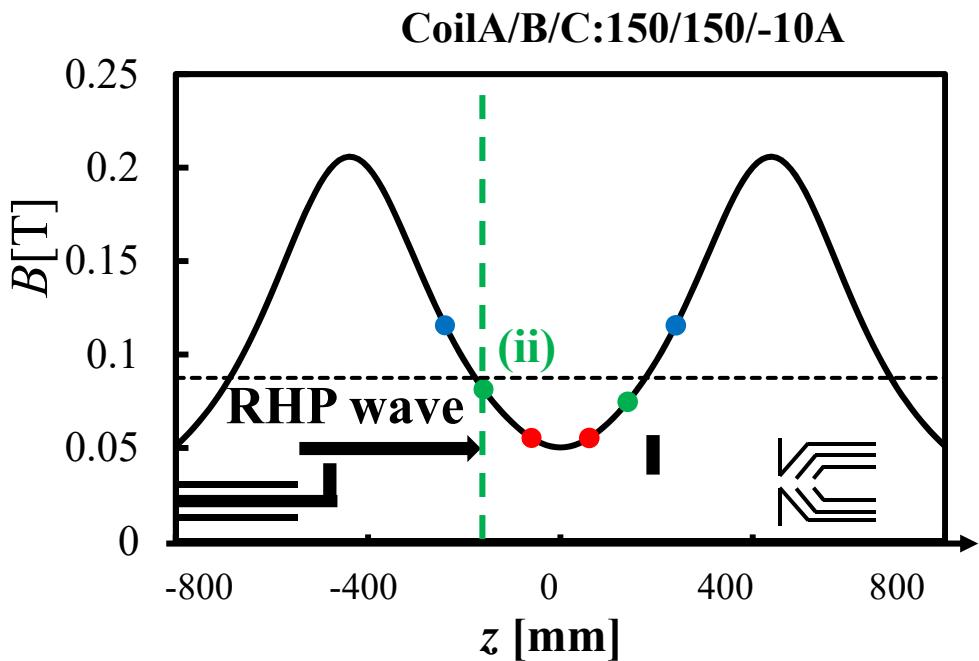
$f_r$ : R-cutoff frequency,  $f_{ce}$ : electron cyclotron frequency,  $f_{pe}$ : electron plasma frequency





**Three regions (A, B, and C) definition**

A:  $f < f_{ce} \rightarrow v_\phi^2 > 0$  (Propagation region)



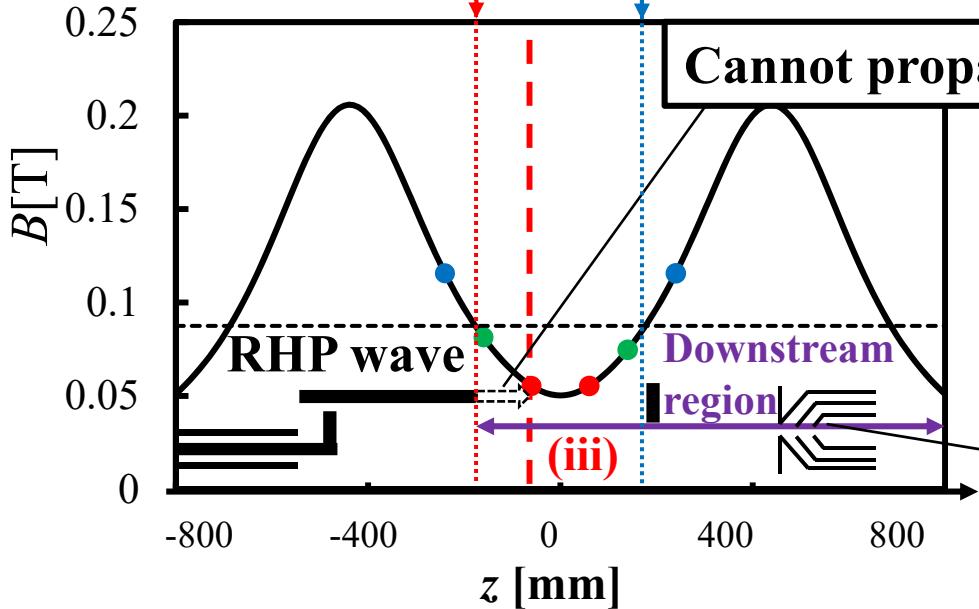
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$B: f_{ce} < f < f_R \rightarrow v_\phi^2 < 0$  (Non-propagation region)

CoilA/B/C:  
150/150/-10A

The side of ECR-zone  
nearby the coaxial  
semi-dipole antenna

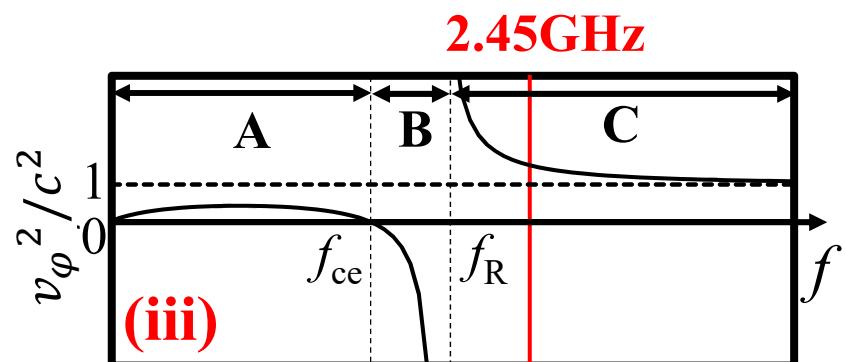
The side of ECR-zone  
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RHP wave is not able to reach the downstream region beyond the side of ECR-zone nearby the coaxial semi-dipole antenna.

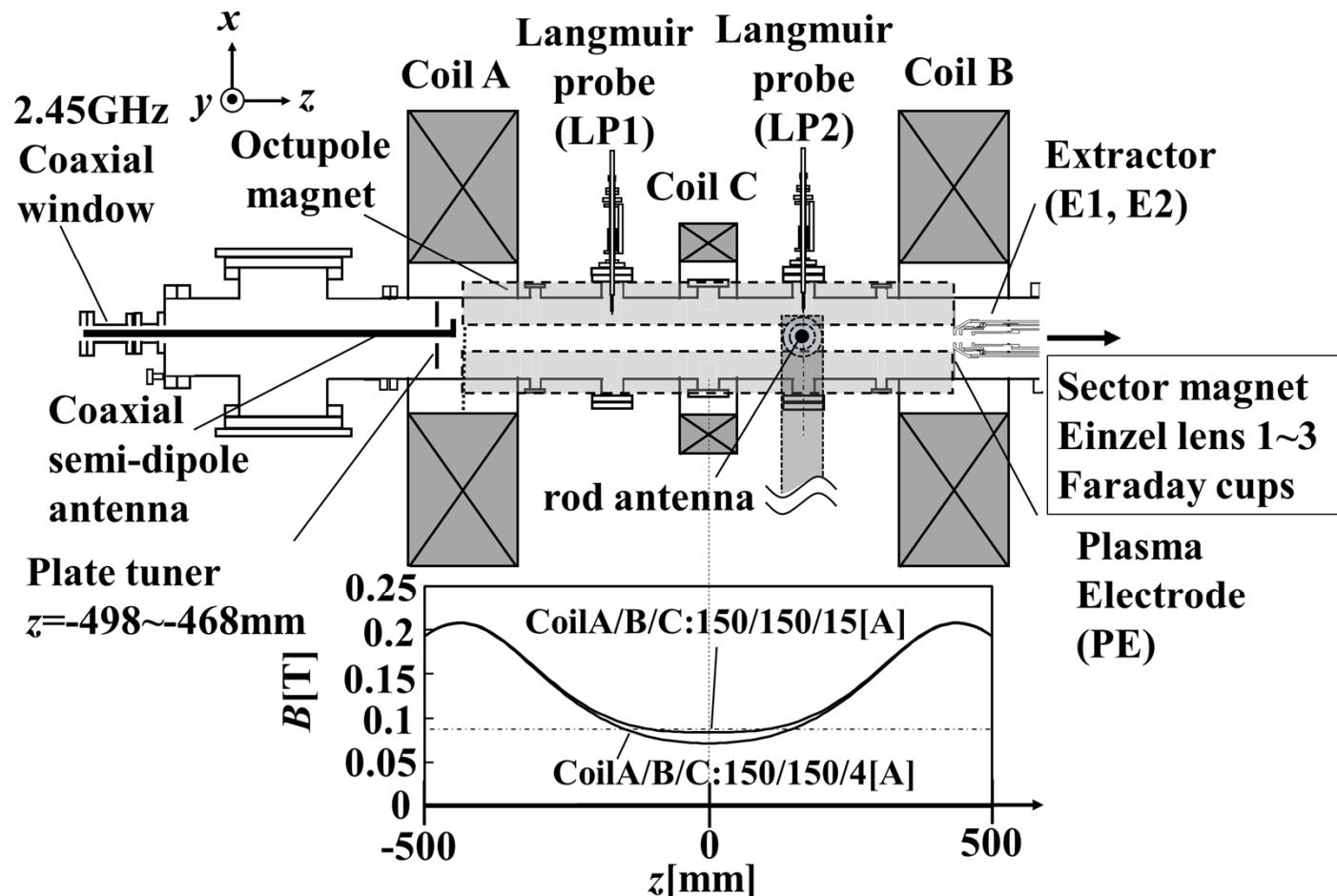
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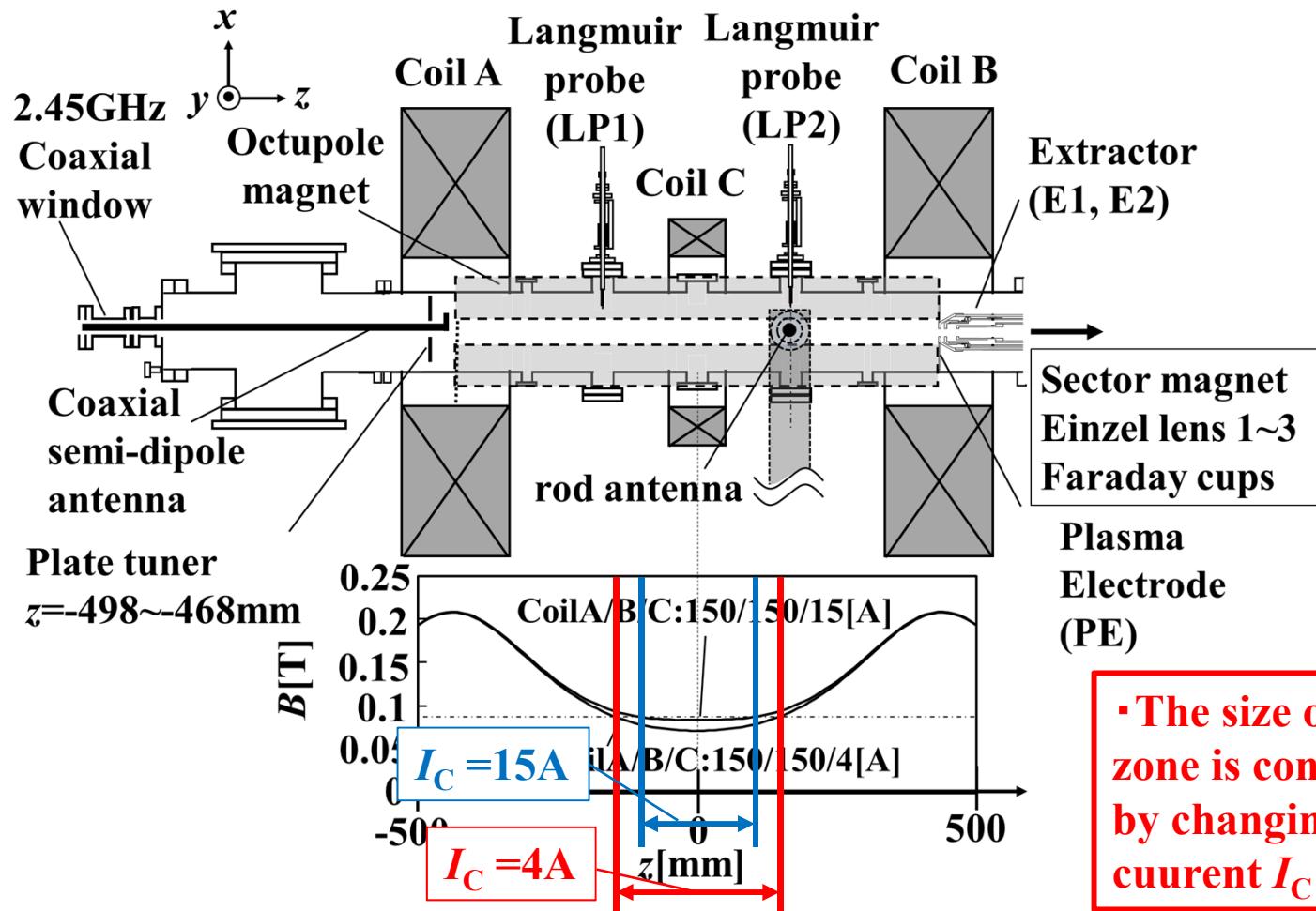
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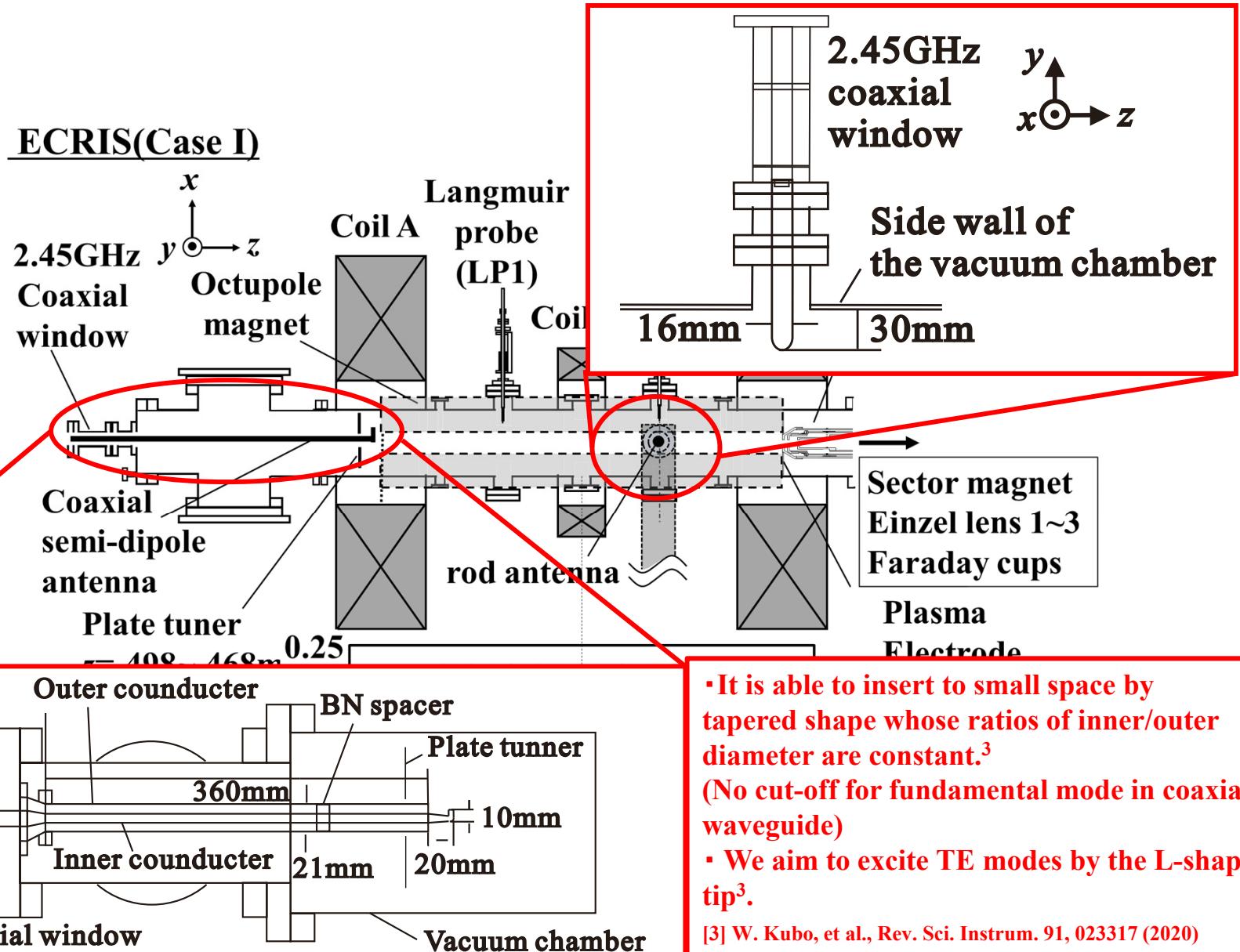
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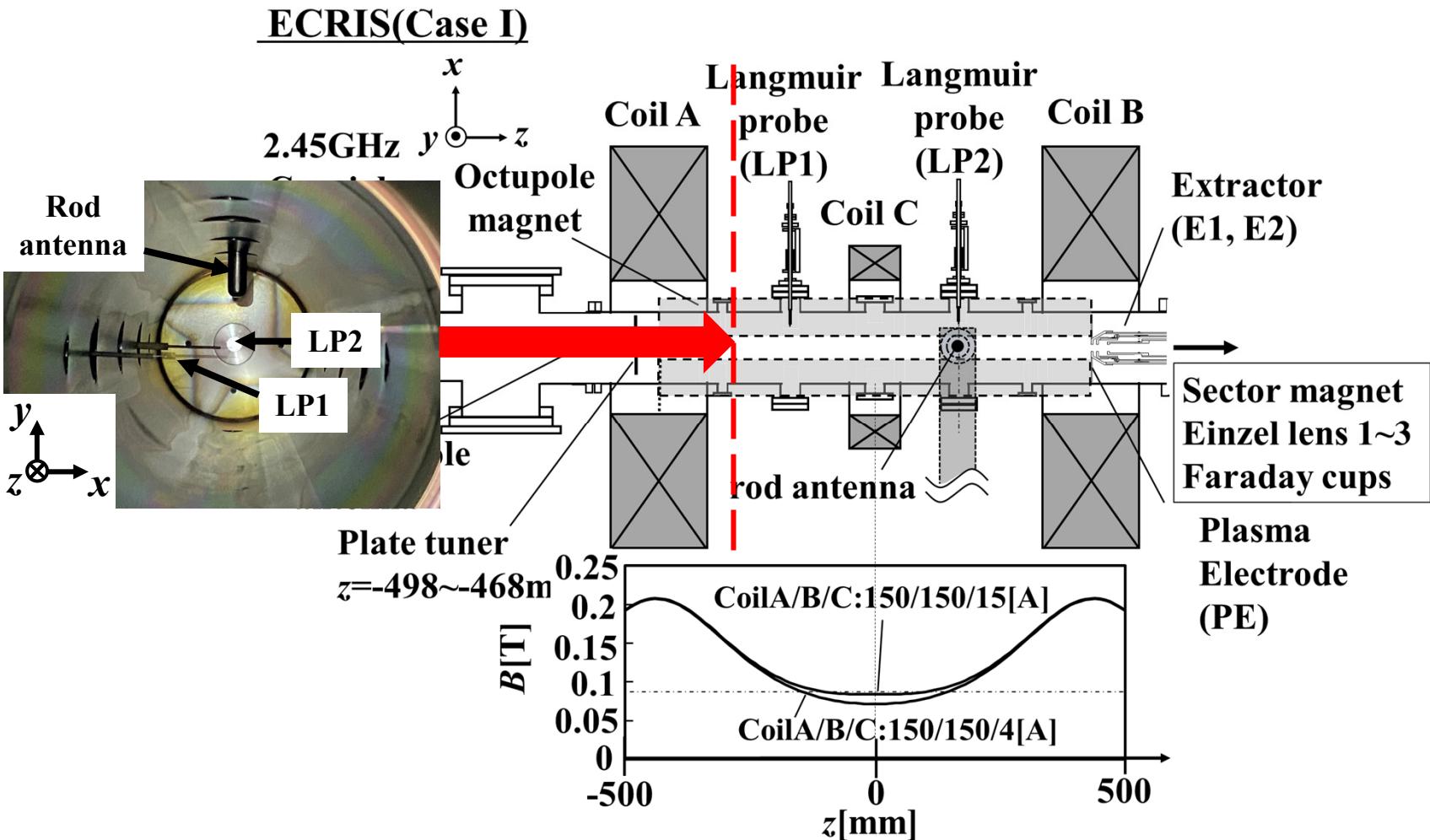


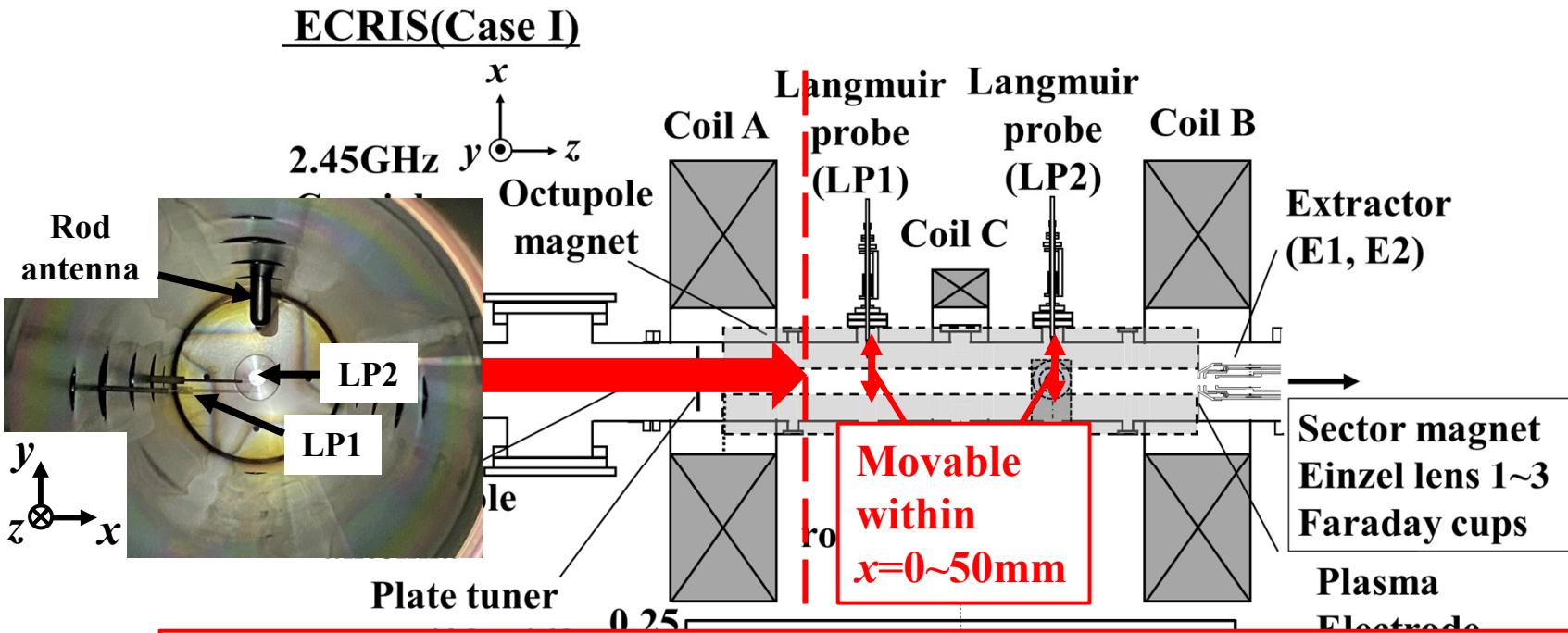
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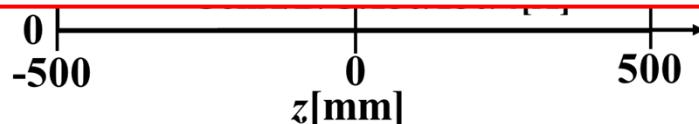


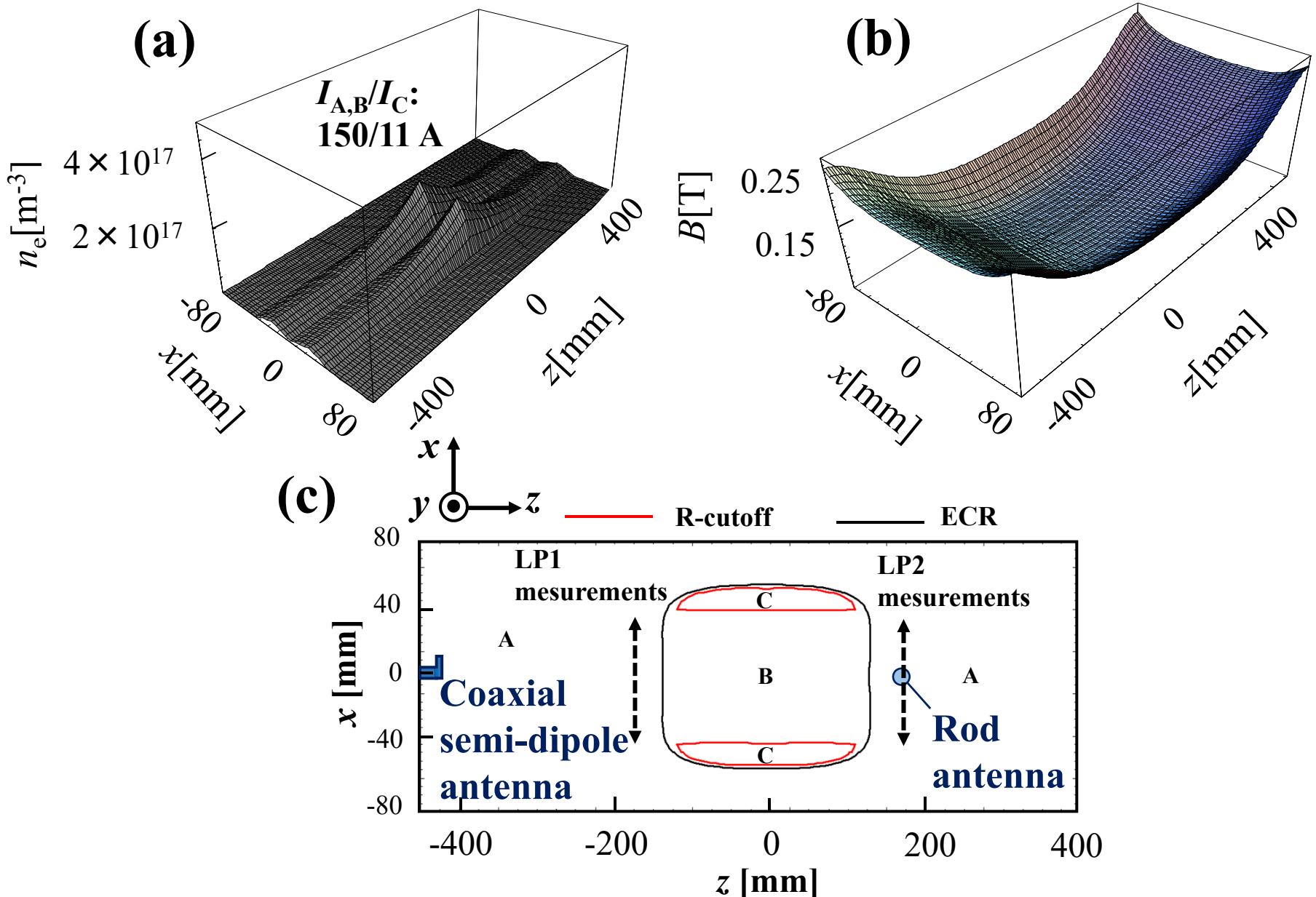


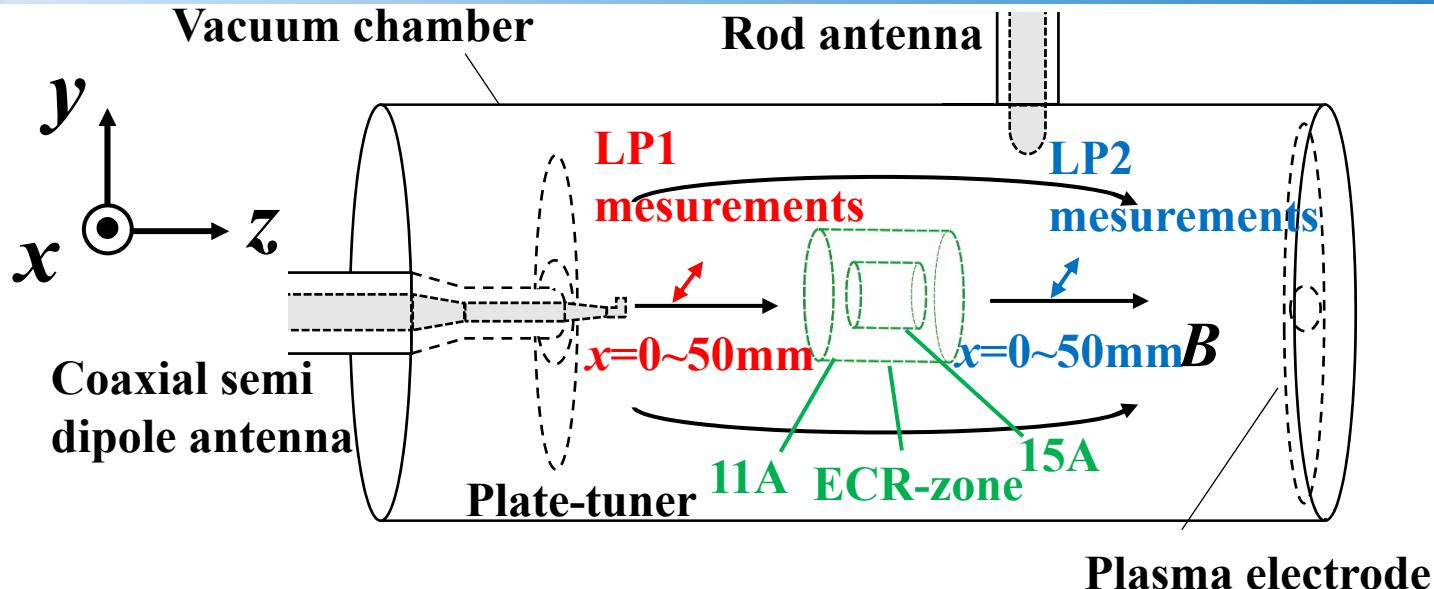
➤ Measurements

Ion saturation current ( $I_{is}$ )  $\Rightarrow$  applying -45V to probes

Electron energy distribution function (EEDF)  $\Rightarrow$  from  $I-V$  curve of probe measure

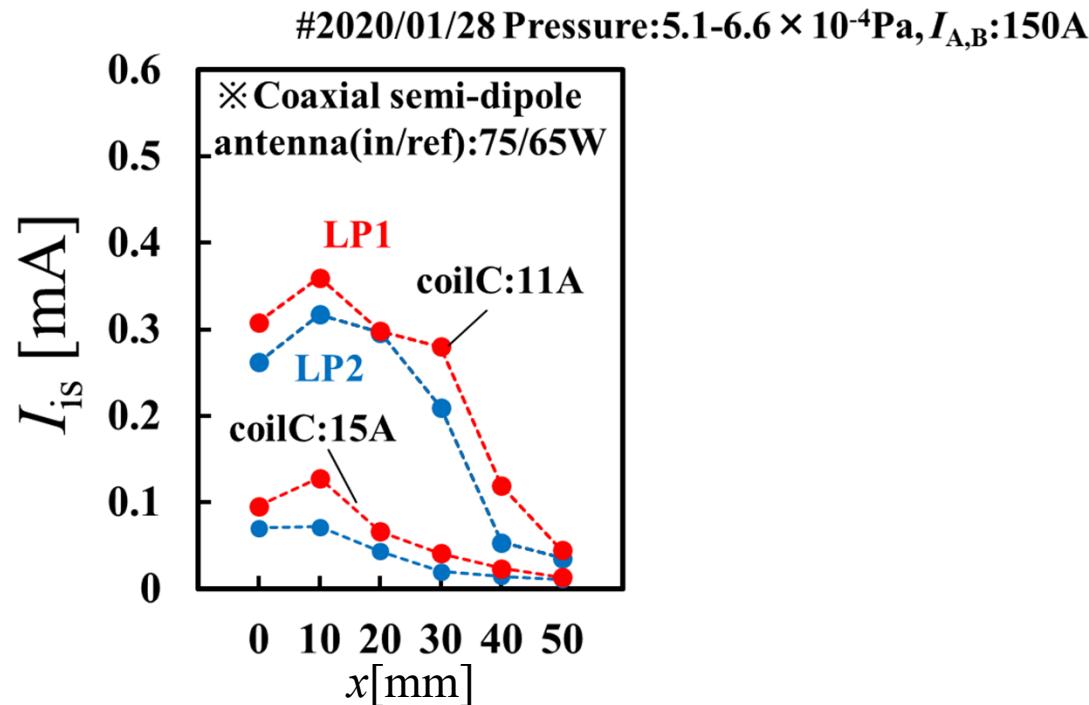
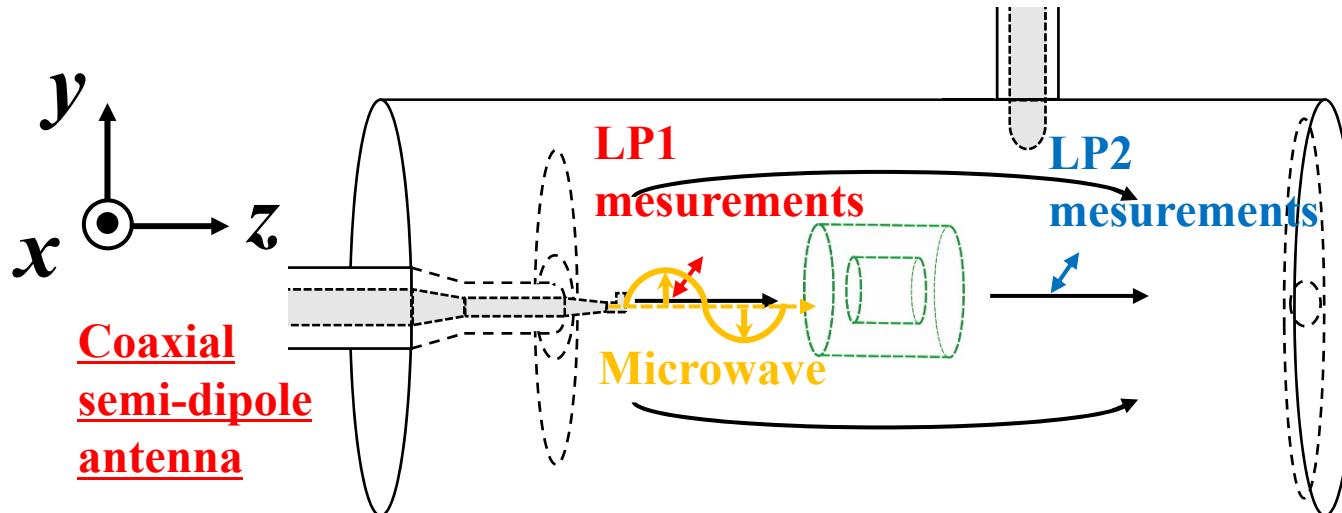






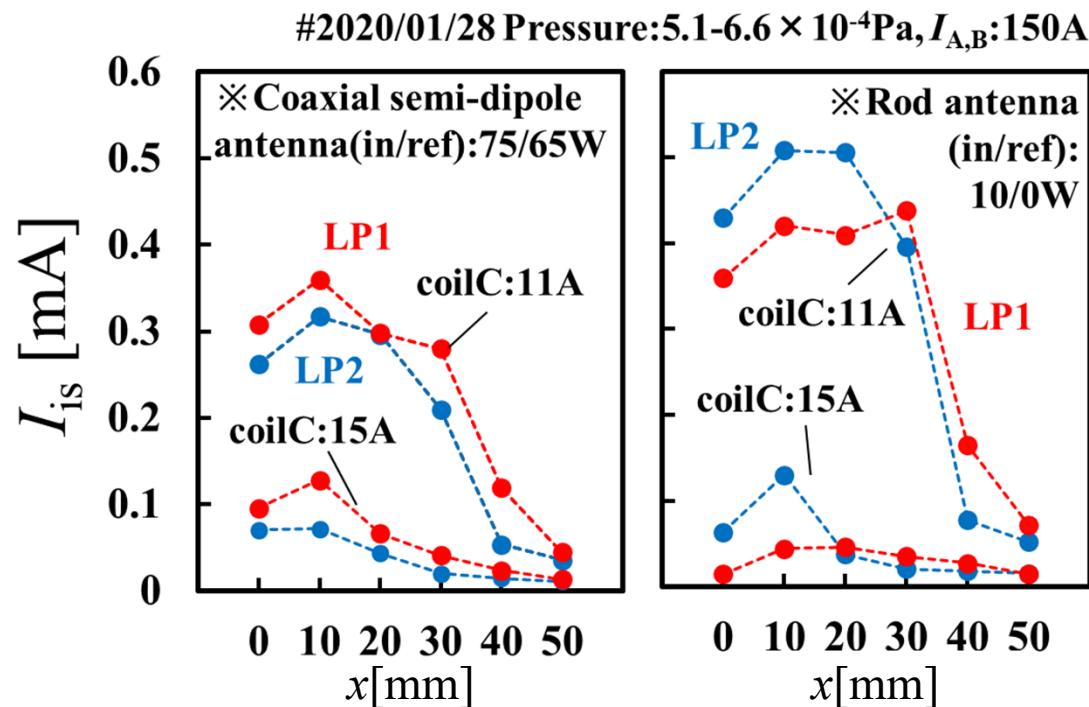
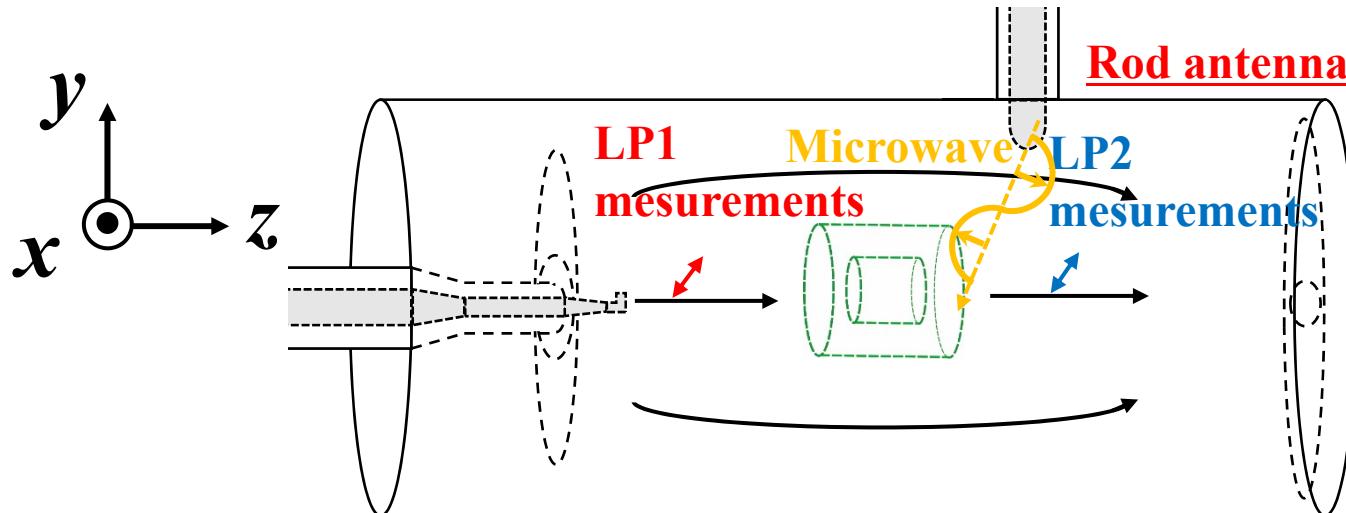
- Measurement position:  $x=0\sim50\text{mm}$
- CoilC current  $I_C$  : 11, 15A

# Case I Experimental Results (1)



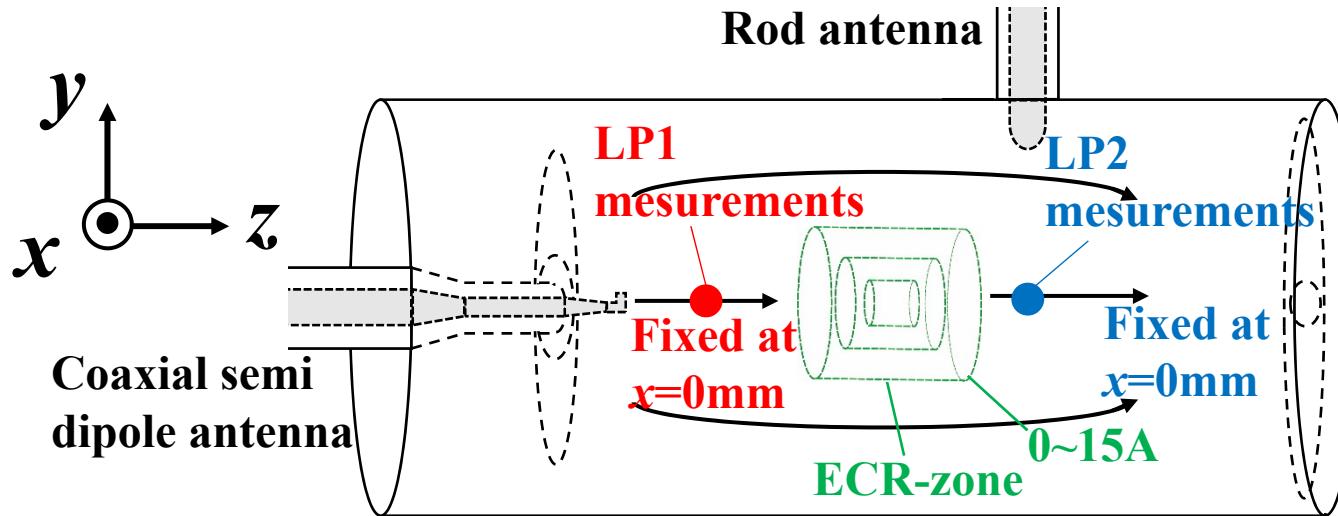
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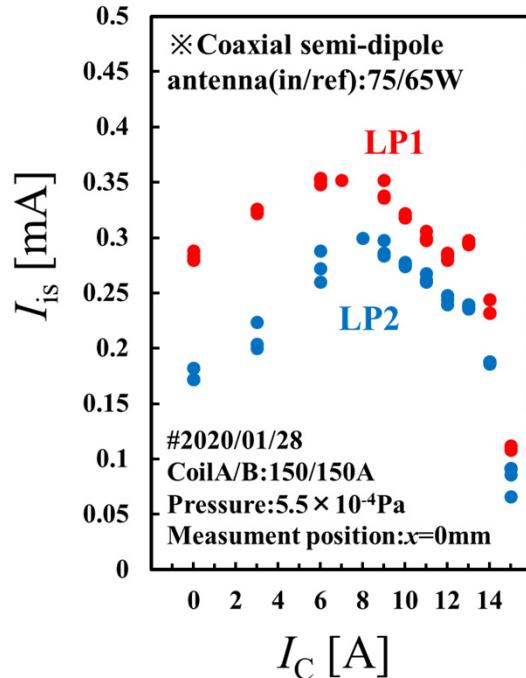
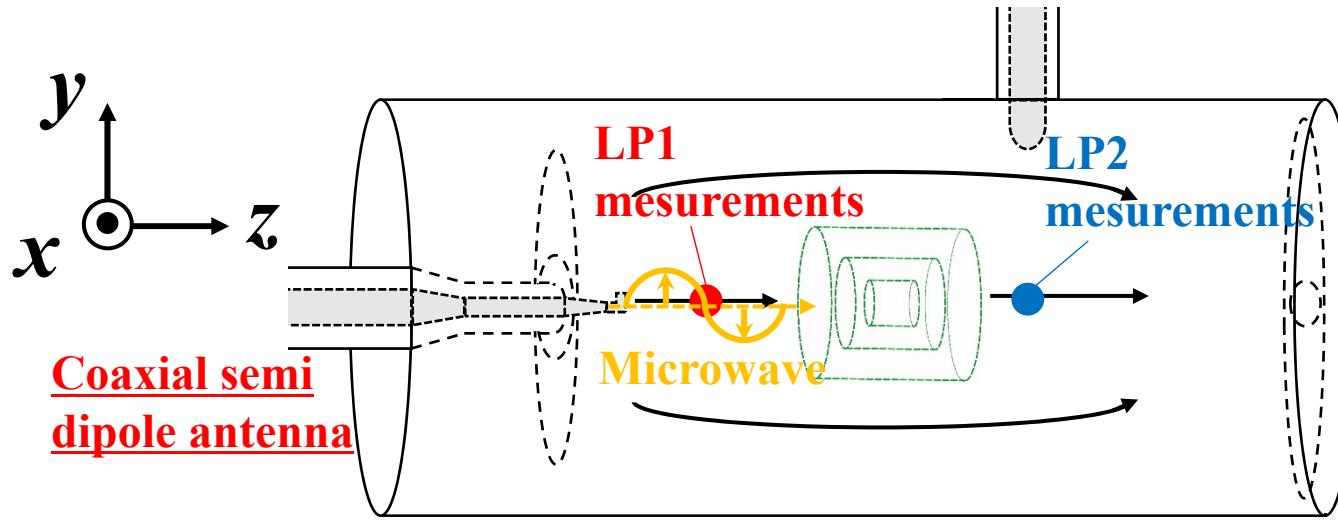
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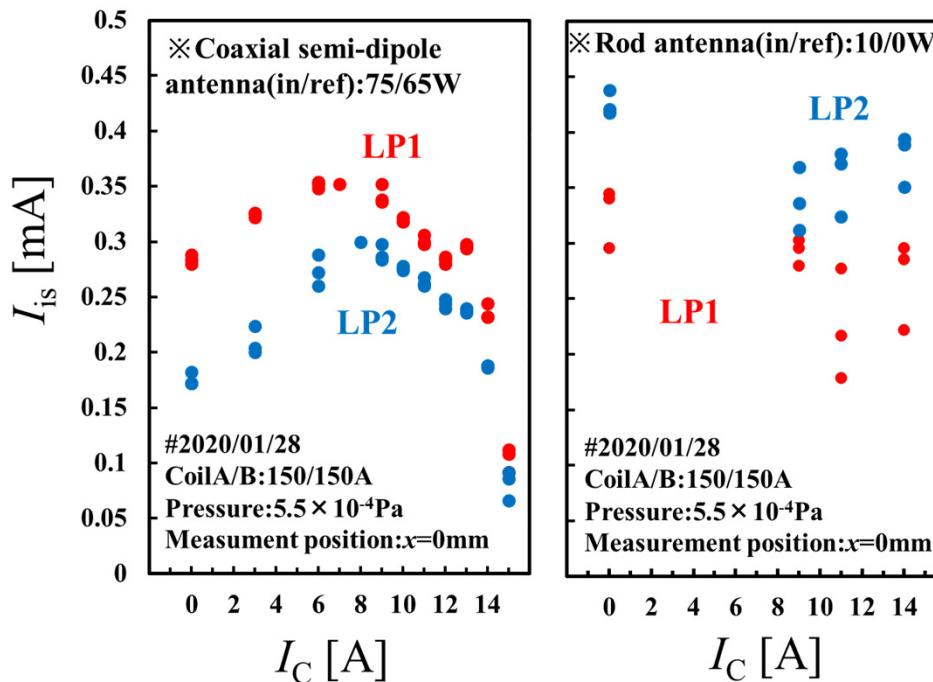
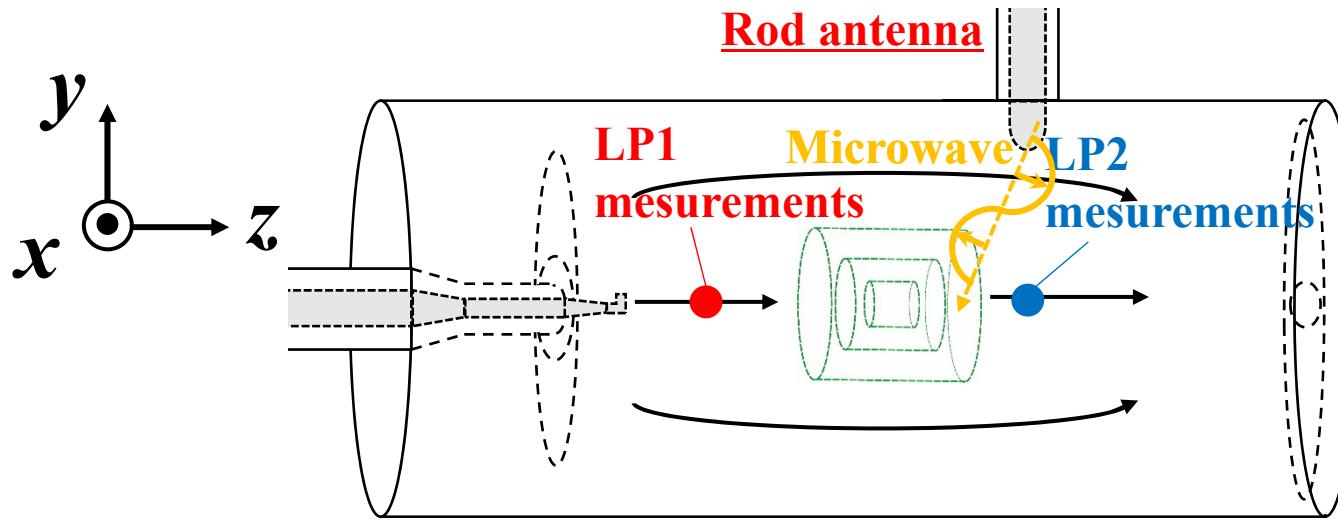
- Measurement position: Fixed at  $x=0\text{mm}$
- Changing  $I_C$  ( $0\sim15\text{A}$ )

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$I_{is}$ 's measured by LP1 are higher than those by LP2 when  $I_C$ 's are 0~15A in the case of the coaxial semi-dipole antenna

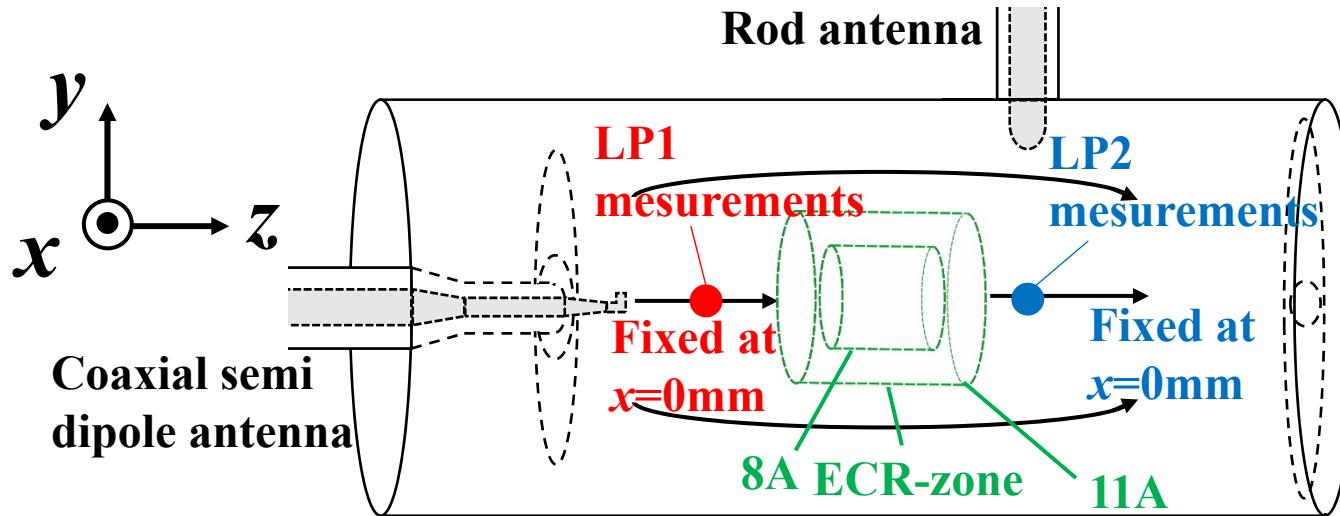
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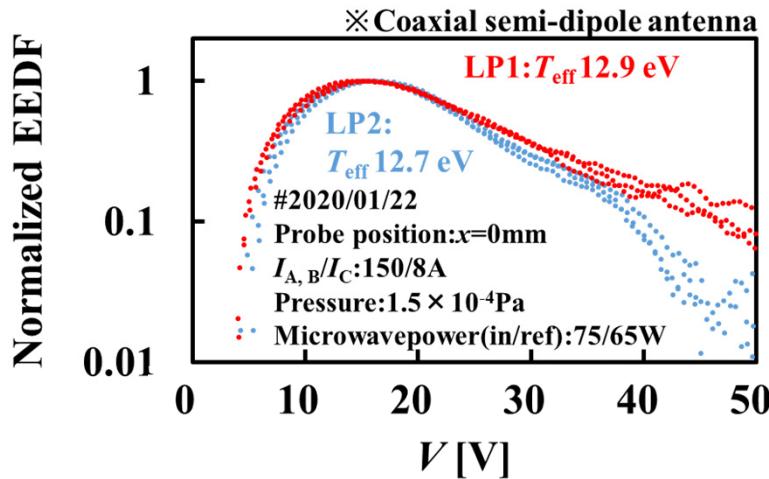
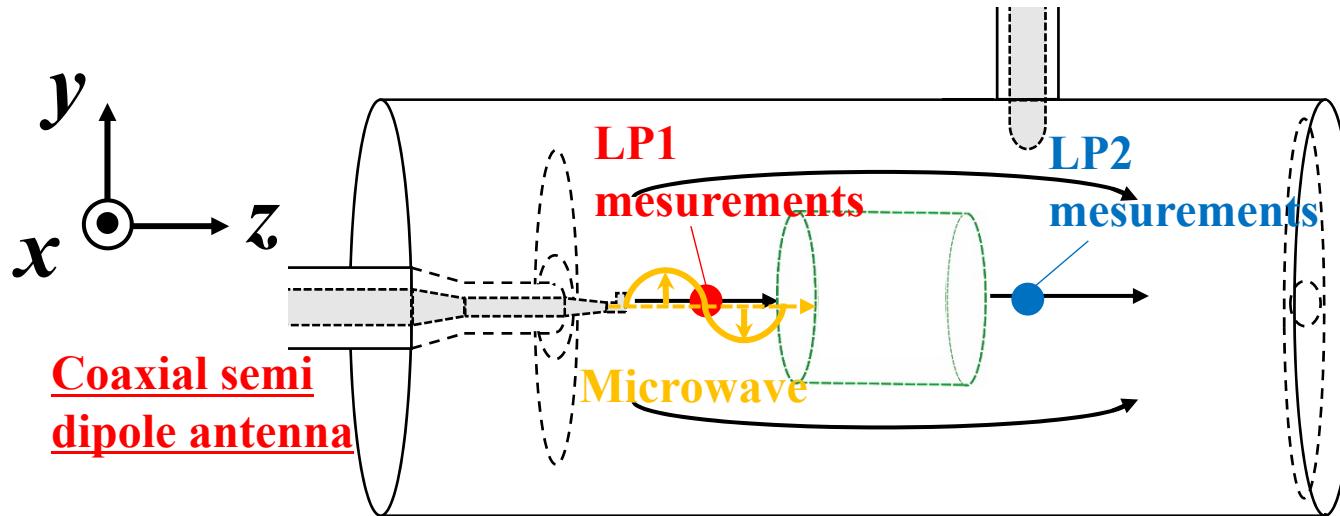
Measurement results (1), (2) of  $I_{is}$  suggest that the RHP wave cannot pass through the ECR-zone

# Case I Experimental Results (3)



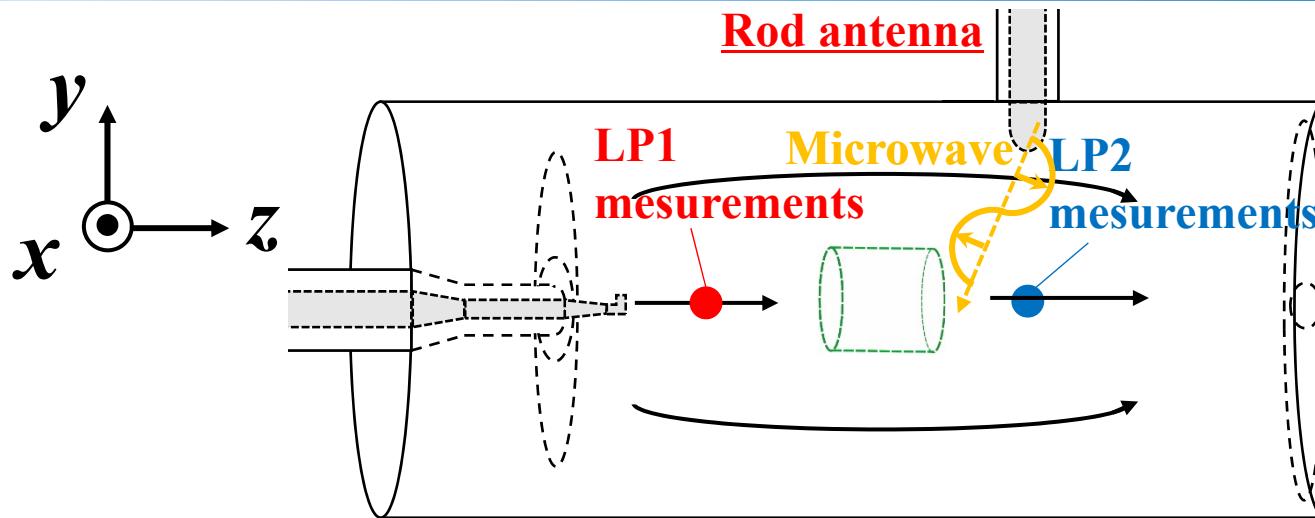
- Measurement position:  $x=0\text{mm}$
- $I_C = 8\text{A}$  (the coaxial semi-dipole antenna),  
and  $11\text{A}$  (the rod antenna)

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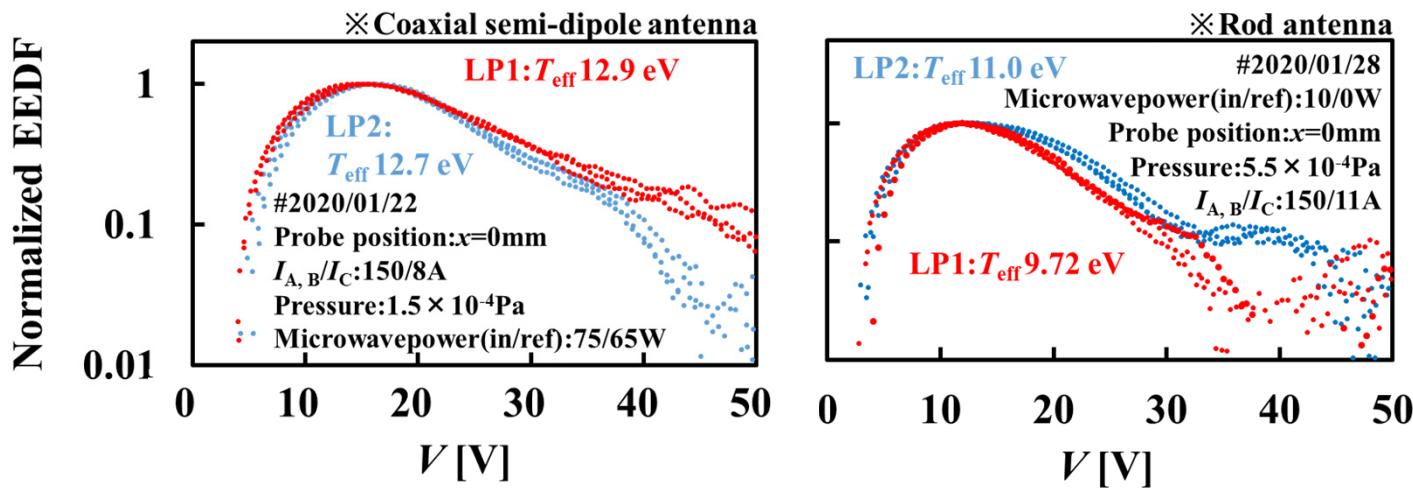


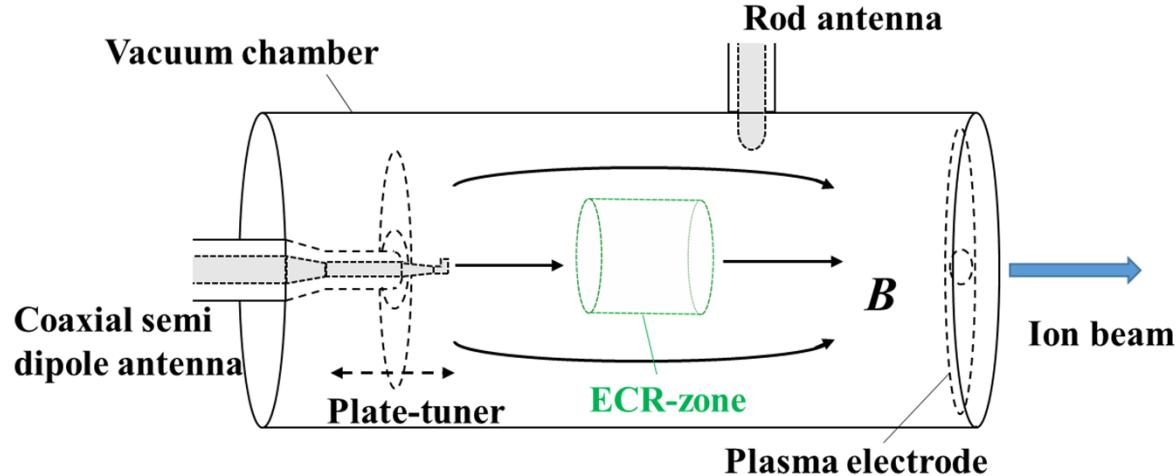
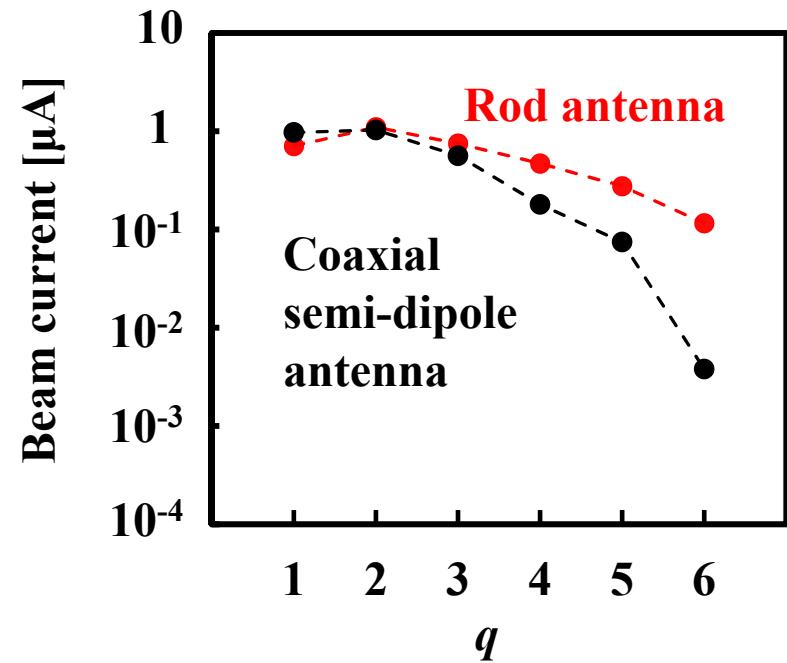
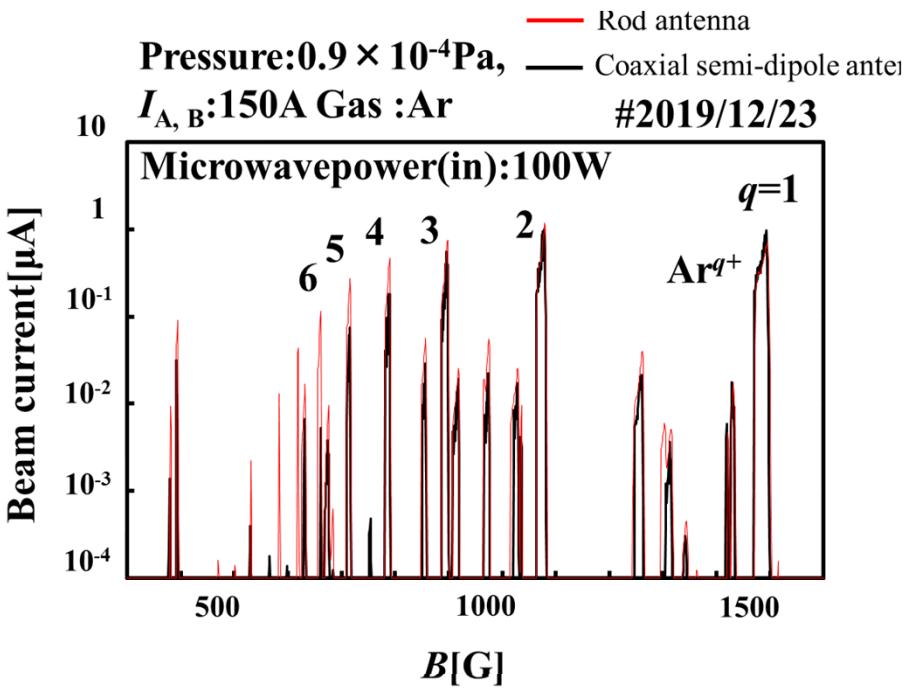
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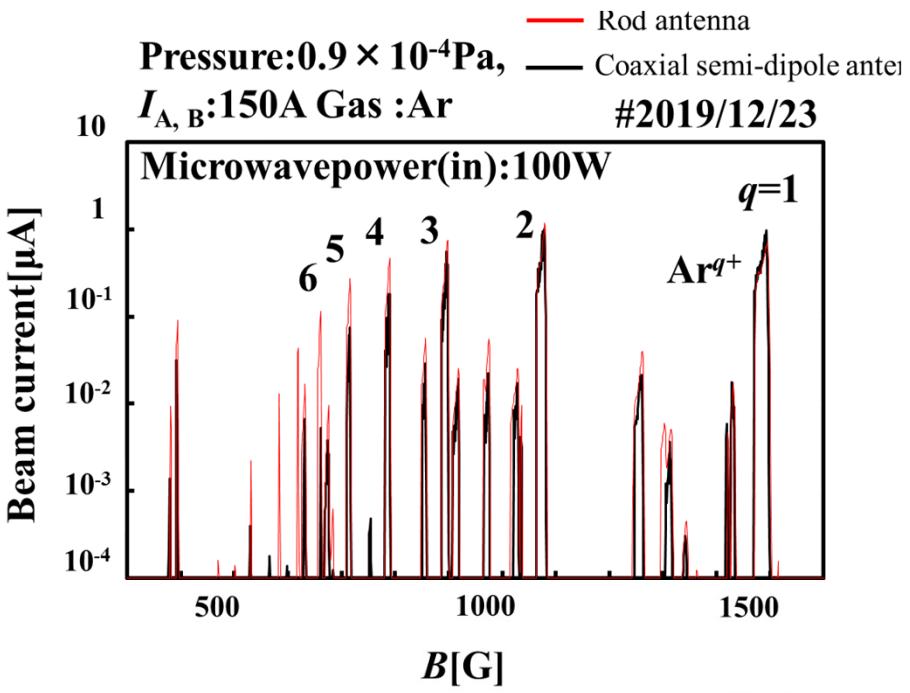


EEDF measured by LP2 has higher tail than that by LP1 in the case of rod antenna

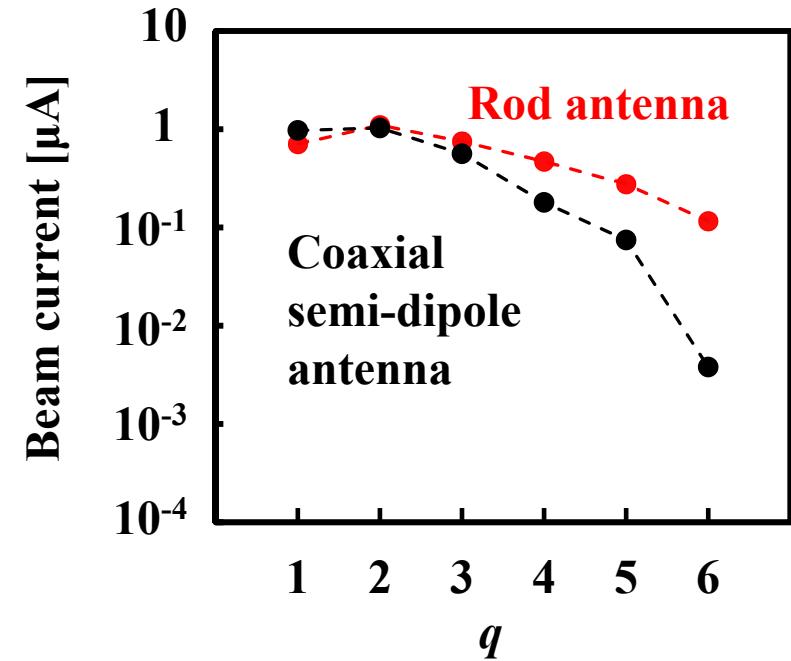
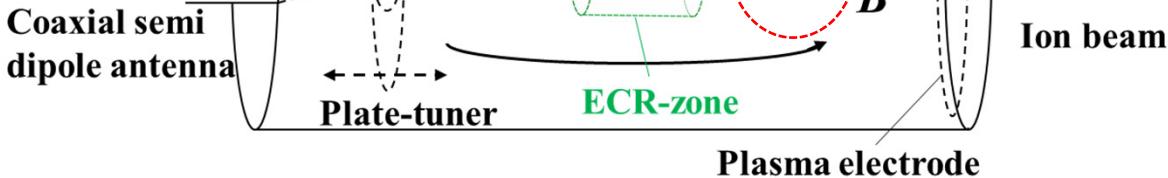




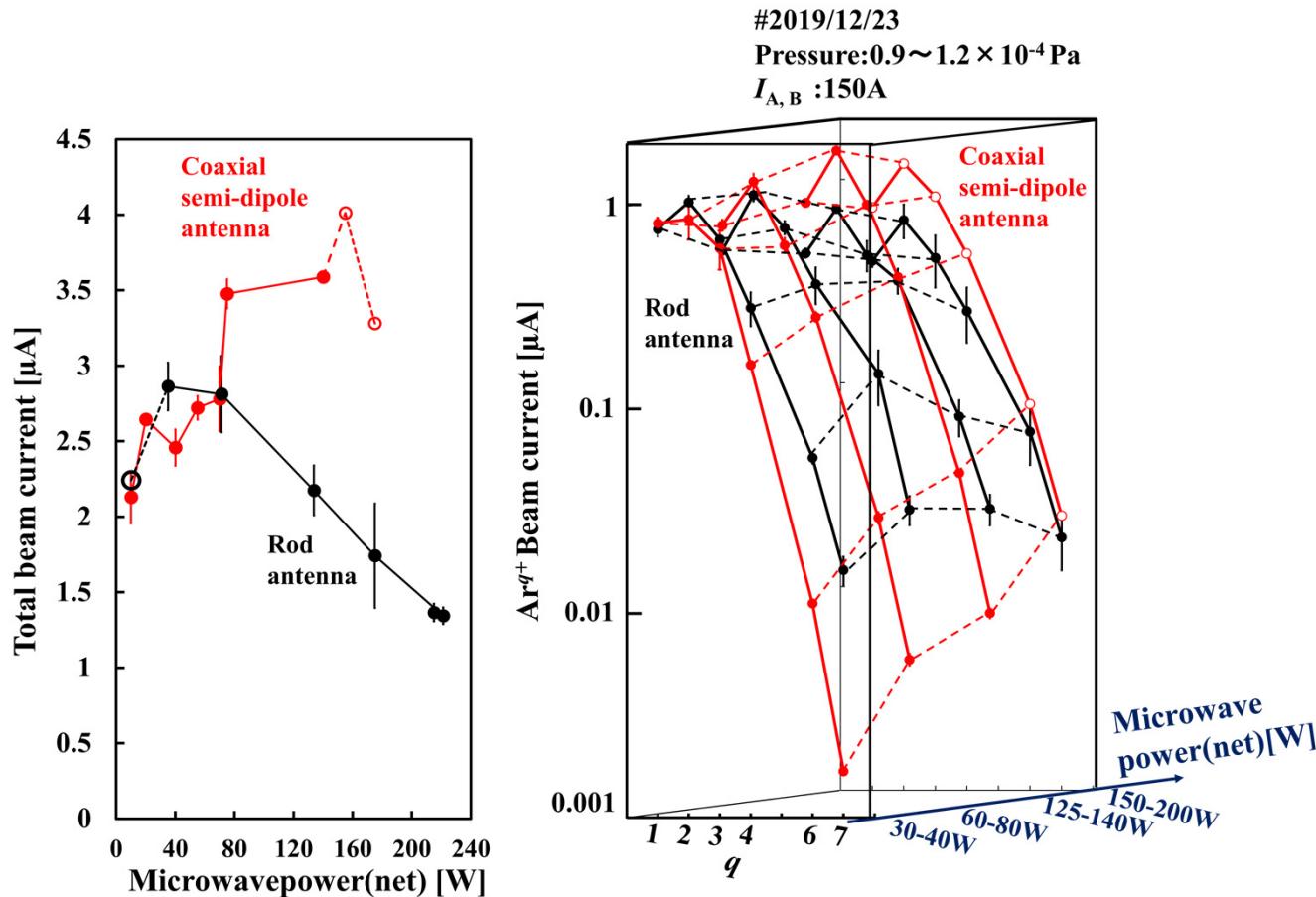
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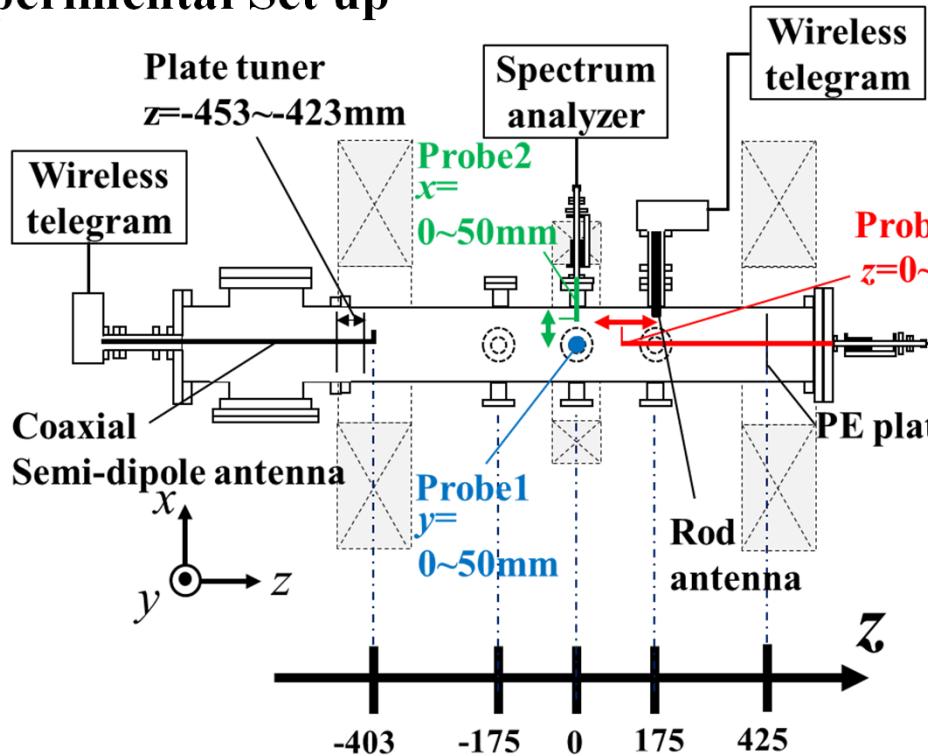
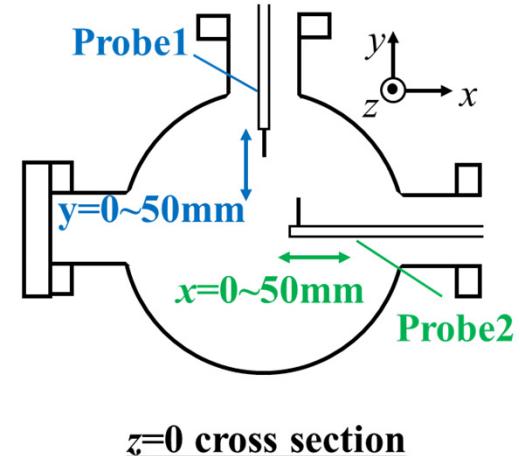


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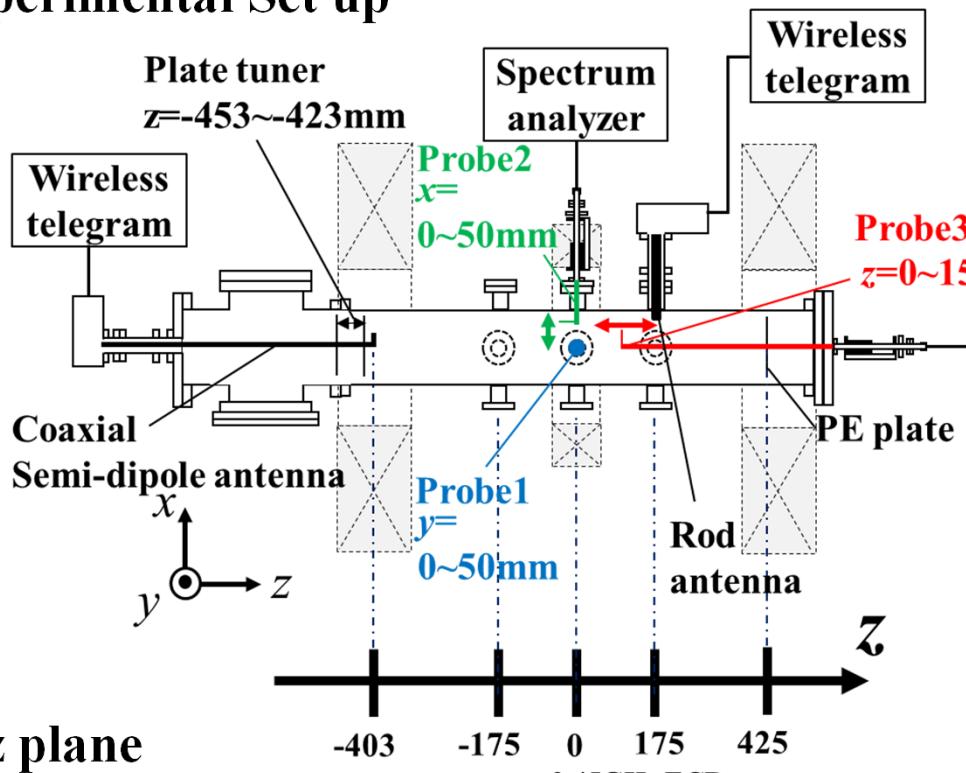
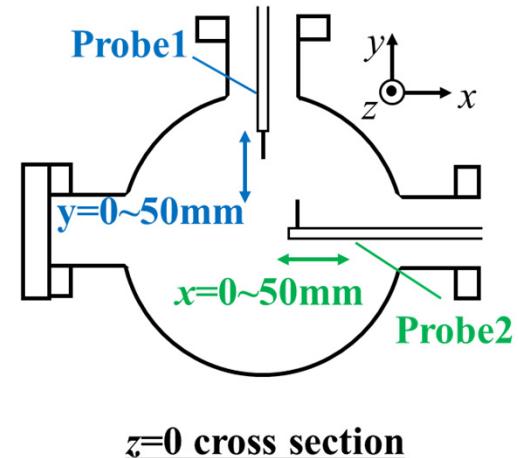
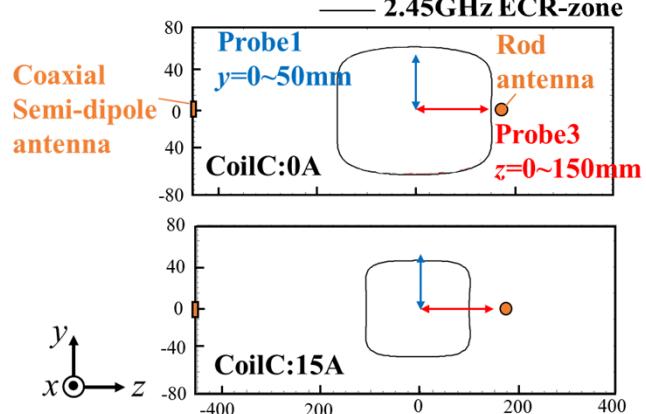
- At microwave powers higher than net 80W, total ion beam current and CSD's tend to become unstable and change to decrease in the case of the rod antenna.
- On the other hand, they continue to increase stably in the case of the coaxial semi-dipole antenna.
- It is considered that this is because installing the antenna on the z-axis is better for the waves propagation in high electron density than inserting it from the side port<sup>3</sup>.

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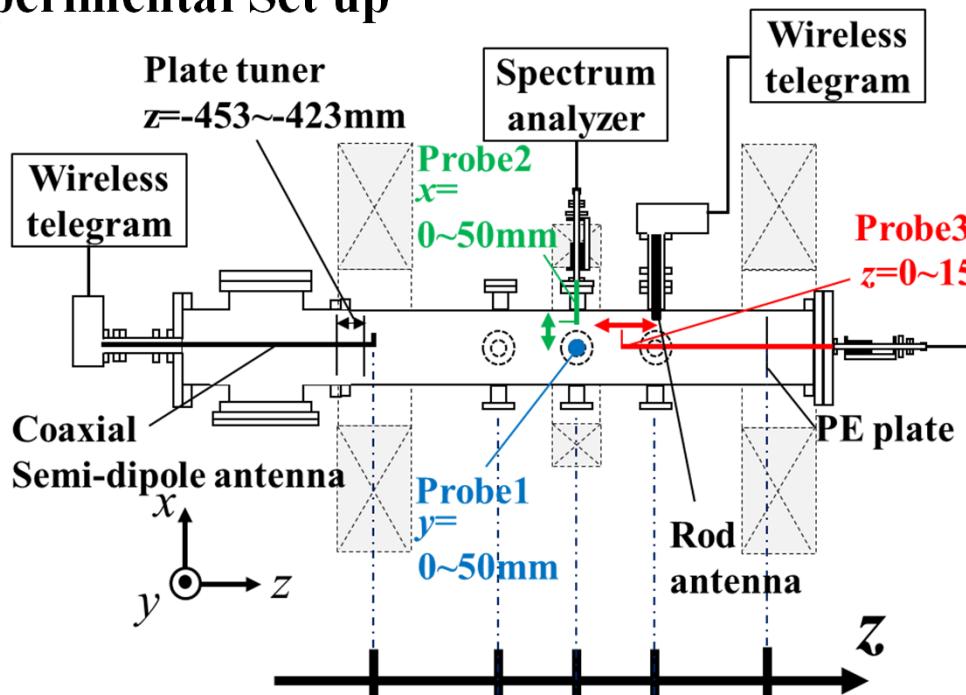
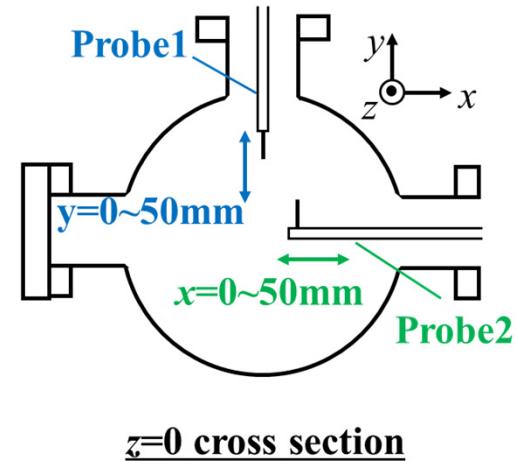
- We are going to install the coaxial dipole antenna and the rod antenna on the test chamber.
- We are going to generate the microwave by the wireless telegram and launch them from the two antennas.
- We measure the electric field strength in  $y$  direction by 3 probes and spectrum analyzer (probe 1, 2, and 3)
- We plan to improve two antennas to suitable ones for 2.45GHz microwave-launching.

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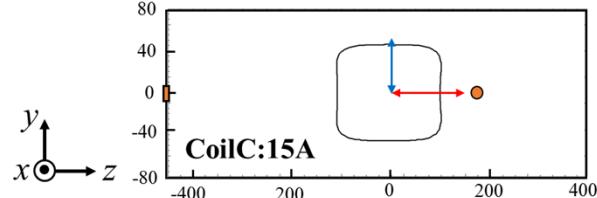
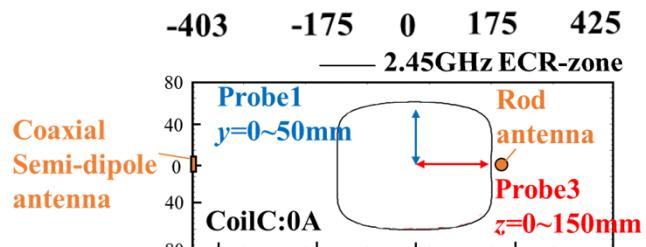
(b)  $z=0$  cross section(c)  $y$ - $z$  plane

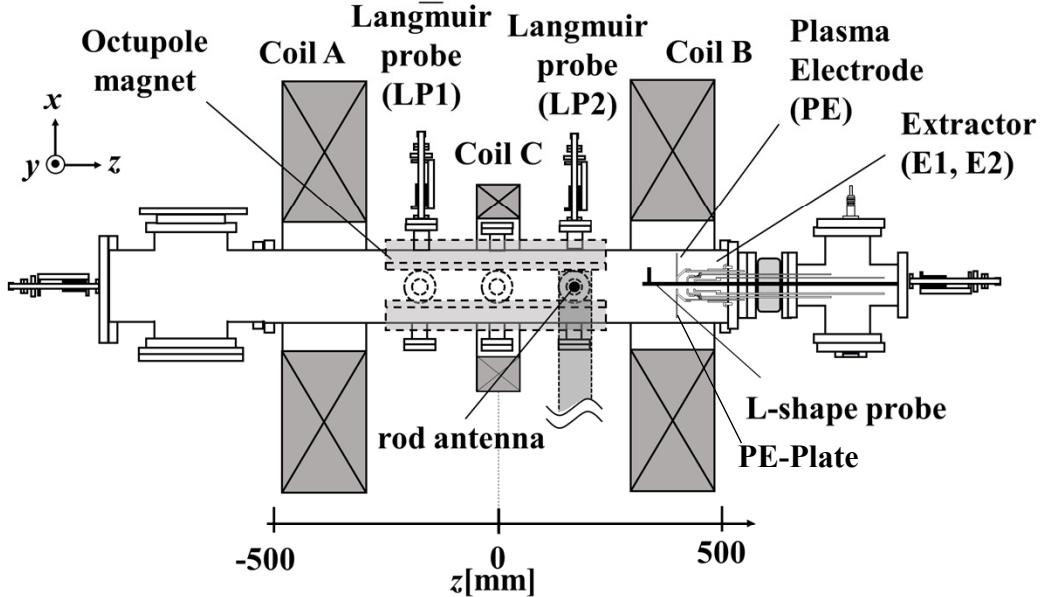
- We are going to conduct the measurements near ECR-zones.
- We aim to maximize the electric field strengths near ECR-zone by improving antennas.

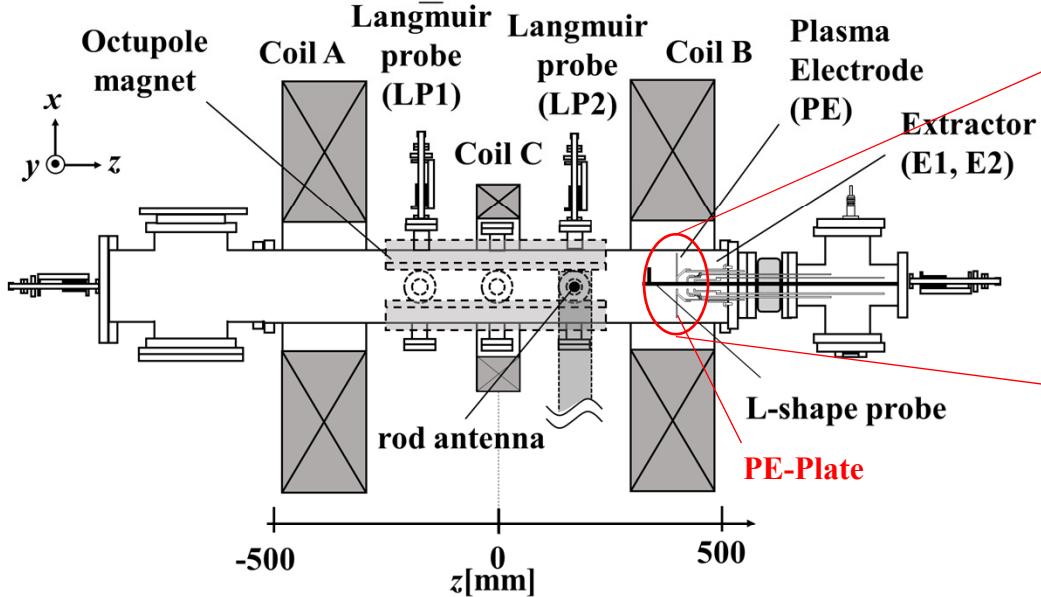
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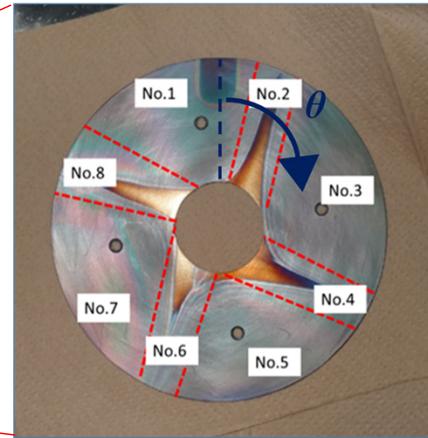
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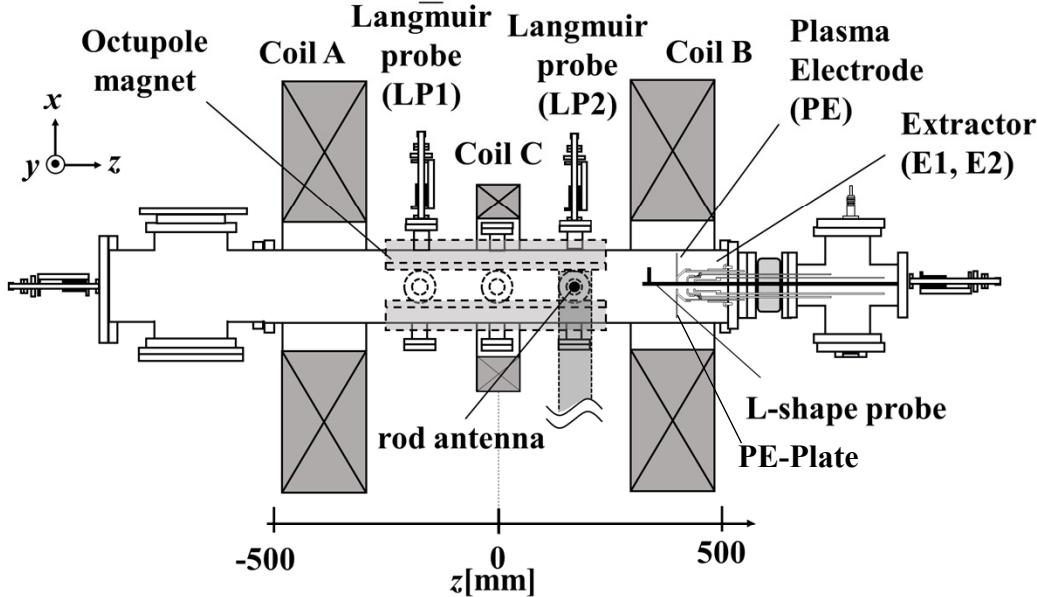
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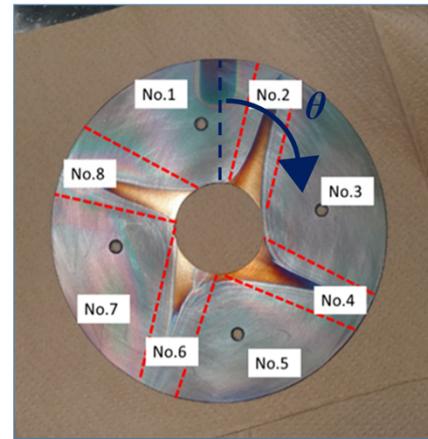
(c) PE-plate



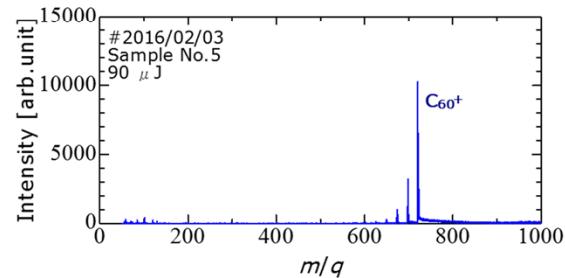
After a series of synthesizing Fe@C<sub>60</sub> experiments,  
 We confirm the plasma pattern on PE-plate.  
 ⇒ We try to dissolve samples deposited on No. 5  
 and No. 6 region and analyze them by TOFMS.

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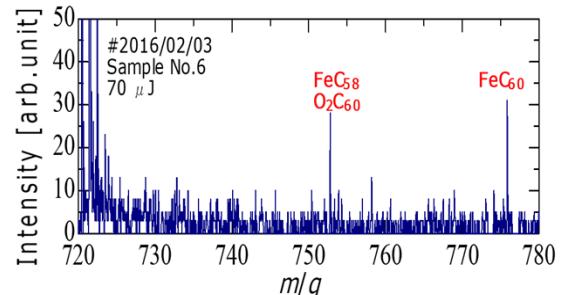
(d) Spectrum in No. 5

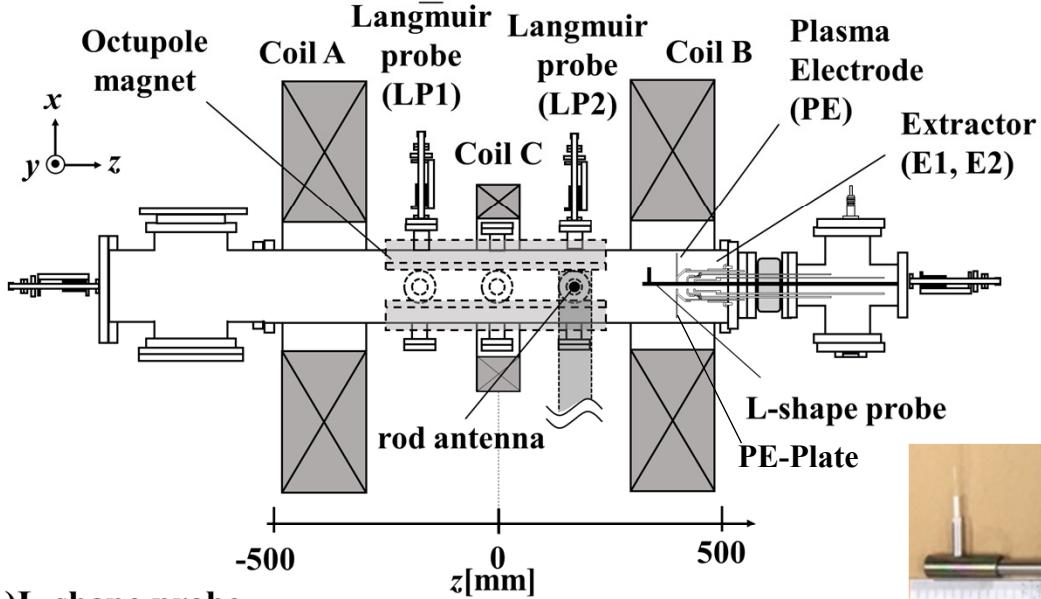


- ✓ Results of TOFMS analysis<sup>4</sup>
- No. 5⇒C<sub>60</sub> spectrum is confirmed
- No. 6⇒Productions of Fe@C<sub>58</sub> and Fe@C<sub>60</sub> are suggested

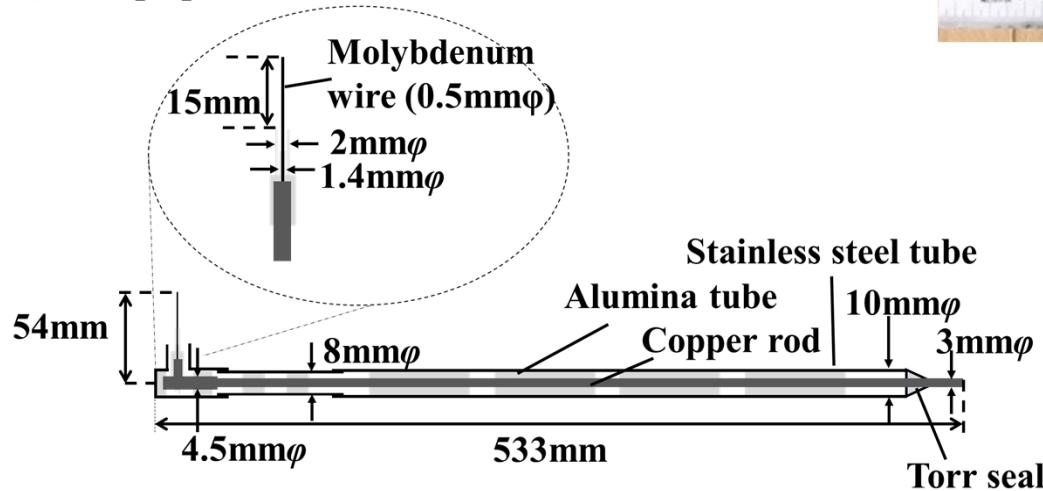
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(e) Spectrum in No. 6

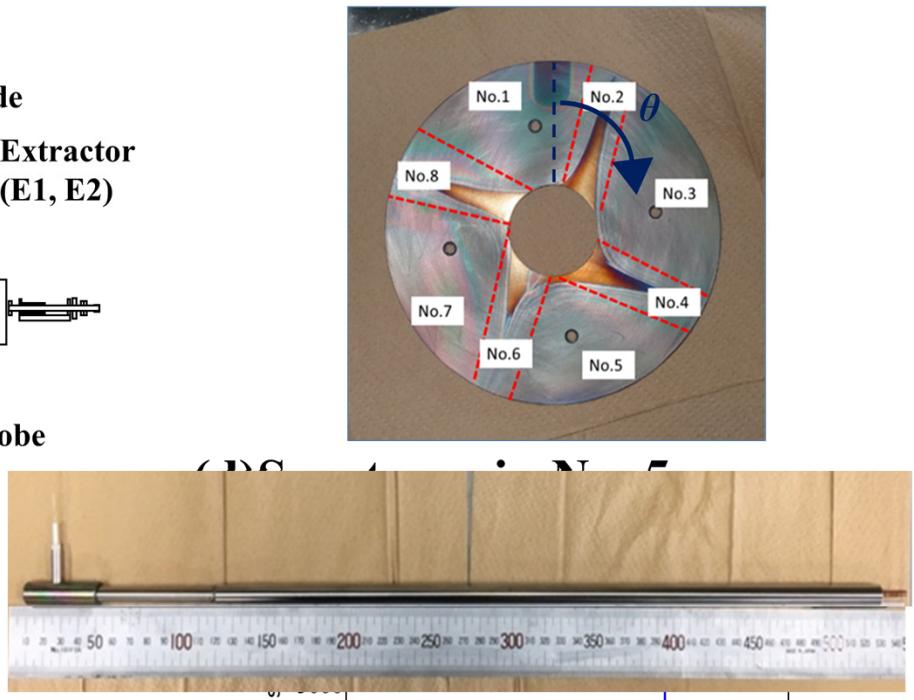


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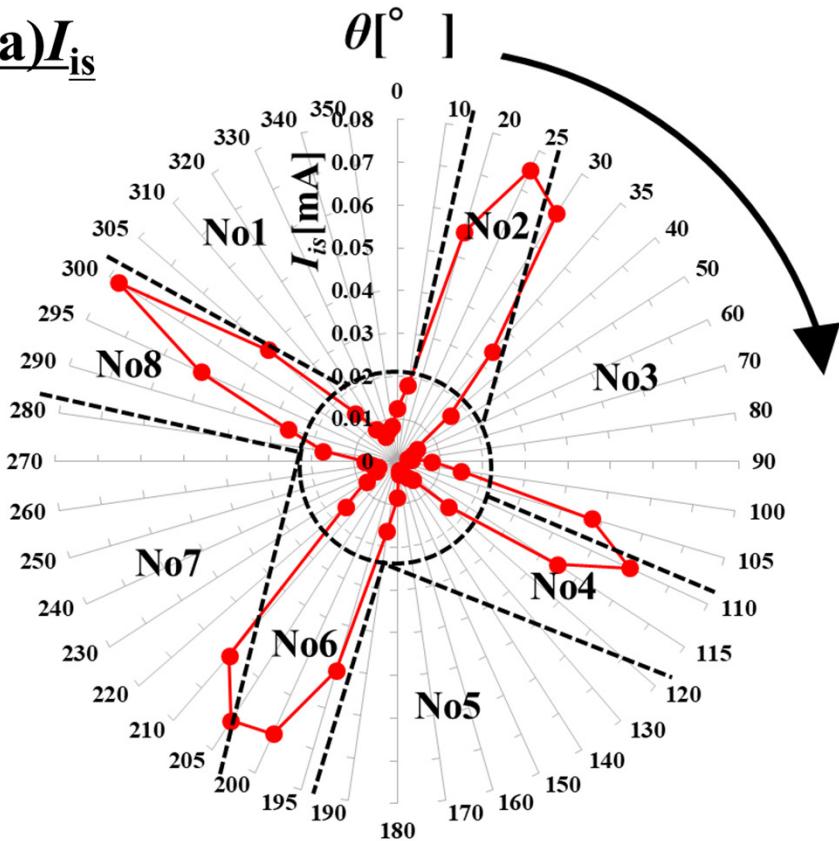
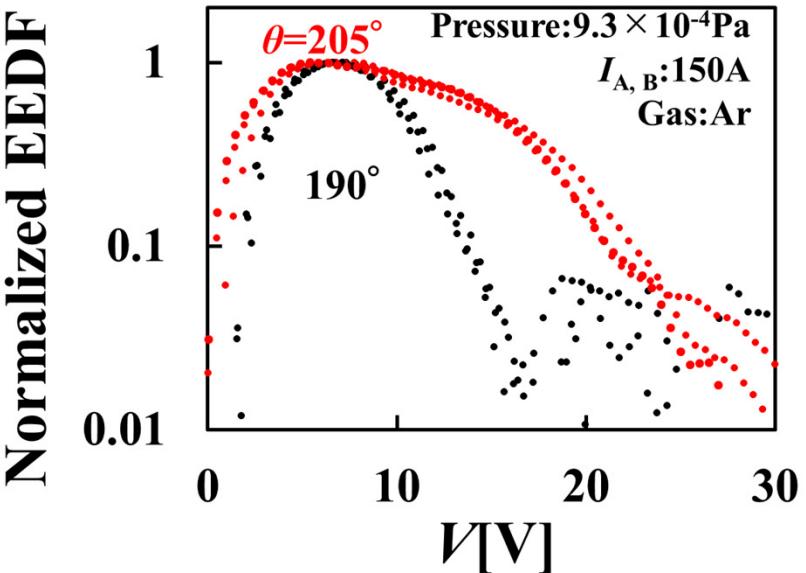
(b) L-shape probe



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- Our ECRIS was damaged by the earthquake in Osaka on June 18, 2018.
  - The damaged extractor was removed when we reconstruct and improve the ECRIS<sup>5</sup>.
- ⇒ There was the opportunity to insert the L-shape probe to the vacuum chamber from the extractor.

(a)  $I_{is}$ (b) EEDF at  $\theta=190^\circ$  and  $205^\circ$ 

- The  $I_{is}$  peaks are observed in even number regions (No. 2, 4, 6, 8).
- EEDF at  $\theta=205^\circ$  which is in the No.6 has the higher tail than that at  $\theta=190^\circ$  which is in the boundary region of No.5 and No. 6.

## Summary

- We measure plasma parameters in upper/down stream regions.  
⇒ We confirm differences of plasma parameters in upper/down stream regions consistent with the RHP wave propagation theory by comparing them.
- We compare the extracted ion beams in the case of antennas in upper/down stream regions.
- We measure plasma parameters near the extractor for Fe@C<sub>60</sub> experiments and observe high energy electrons in the region where Fe@C<sub>60</sub> production are suggested.

## Future plan

- We optimize microwave-launching for 2.45GHz (ECR) and 4~6GHz (UHR)
- We conduct the dual ECR heating experiments by the optimized microwave launching.
- We conduct UHR experiments under the condition that ECR is optimized.

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