

# Overview of the LIPAc Beam Instrumentation for the Initial Accelerator Commissioning

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## IFMIF/EVEDA & LIPAc

## LIPAc Beam Instrumentation

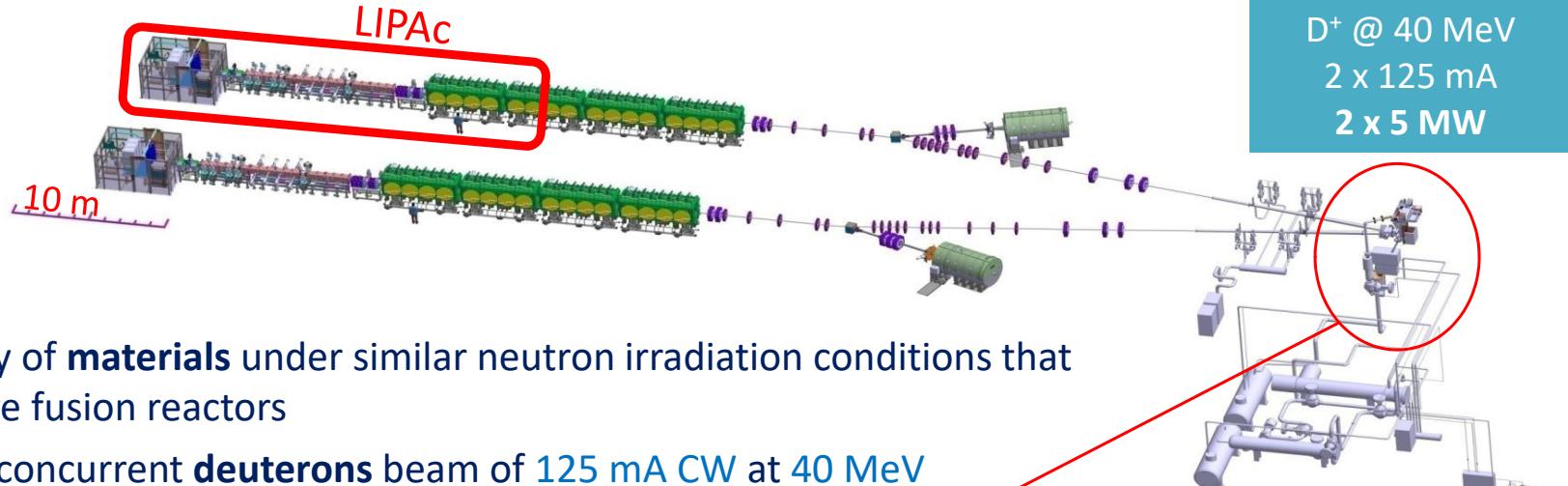
## Feedback from different instruments

- Current measurements
- Beam position and phase measurements
- Interceptive profile measurements
- Transverse emittance measurements
- Non-interceptive profile measurements

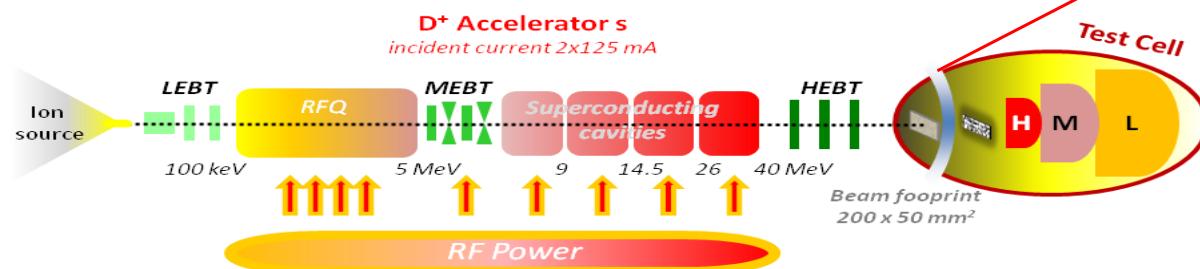
## Conclusions & outlook

# IFMIF-EVEDA & LIPAc

## IFMIF: International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility



- Study of **materials** under similar neutron irradiation conditions that future fusion reactors
- Two concurrent **deuterons** beam of **125 mA CW** at **40 MeV**
- Impact on a liquid **Li screen** flowing at **15 m/s**



A flux of neutrons of  $\sim 10^{18} \text{ n/m}^2\text{s}$  is generated in the forward direction with a broad peak at **14 MeV** and irradiate three regions:

- >20 dpa/fpy in 0.5 liters (H)
- >1 dpa/fpy in 6 liters (M)
- <1 dpa/fpy in 8 liters (L)

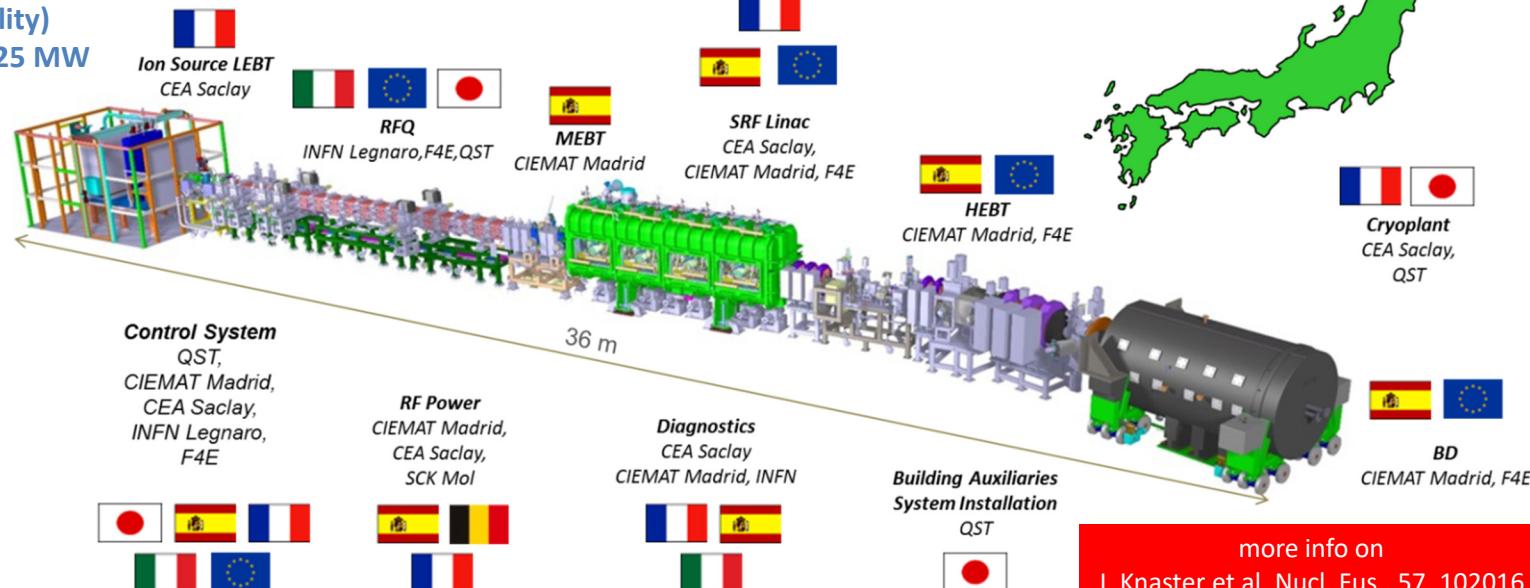
## EVEDA: Engineering Validation &amp; Engineering Design Activities



System Installation, Checkout, Start-up, Commissioning  
~50 people



LIPAc (Accelerator Facility)  
 $D^+$ , 9MeV, 125mA CW, 1.125 MW



Broader Approach

JA-EU  
Collaboration



In Japan

France  
Japan

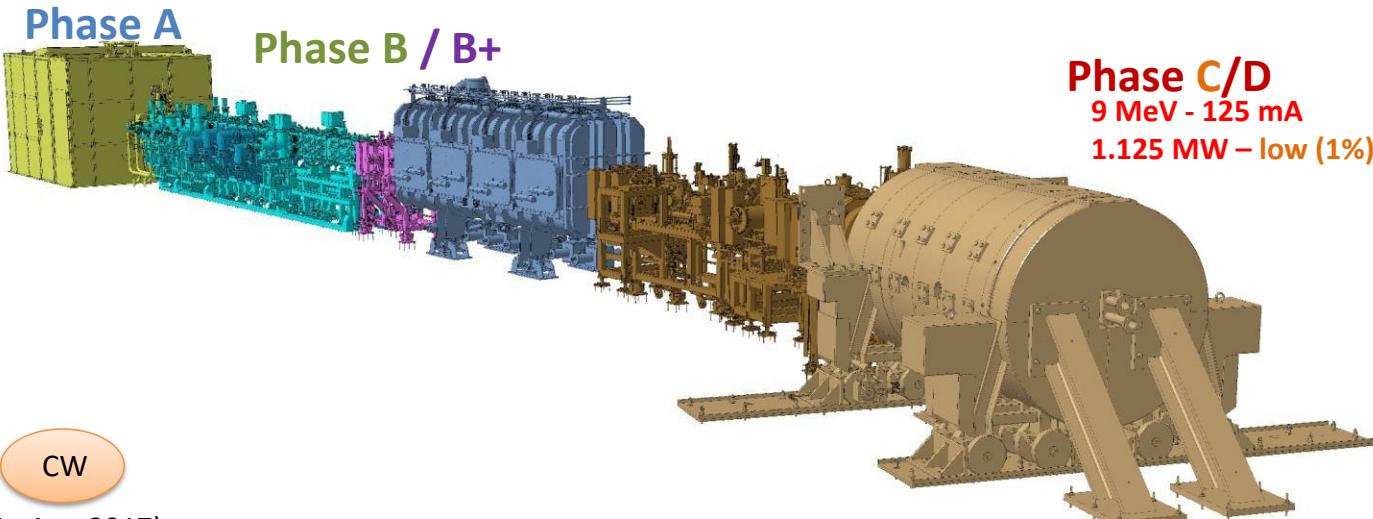
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more info on  
J. Knaster et al, Nucl. Fus., 57, 102016

Equipment designed and constructed in Europe, Installed and commissioned in Rokkasho

4 configurations tested in 5 main phases to validate the LIPAc performances



A

Injector

CW

(TESTED Apr.2015 - Aug.2017)

B

Injector

RFQ + MEBT

D-Plate+LPBD

0.1-1ms

(TESTED June 2018 – July 2019)

Status

- ✓ 1st H<sup>+</sup> @2.5 MeV on June 2018
- ✓ 125 mA D<sup>+</sup> @5 MeV on July 2019 (1 ms / 1 s / 625 W)
- ✓ Installation of beam for restart with Phase B+ next spring

B+

Injector

RFQ + MEBT

Drift line + HEBT/D-Plate

1ms-CW

Final Beam Dump

C/D

Injector

RFQ + MEBT

SRFL + HEBT/D-Plate

1 ms/CW

Final Beam Dump

P. Cara, MOPOY057, IPAC'16

M. Sugimoto, TU2A04, LINAC'18

# LIPAc Beam Instrumentation

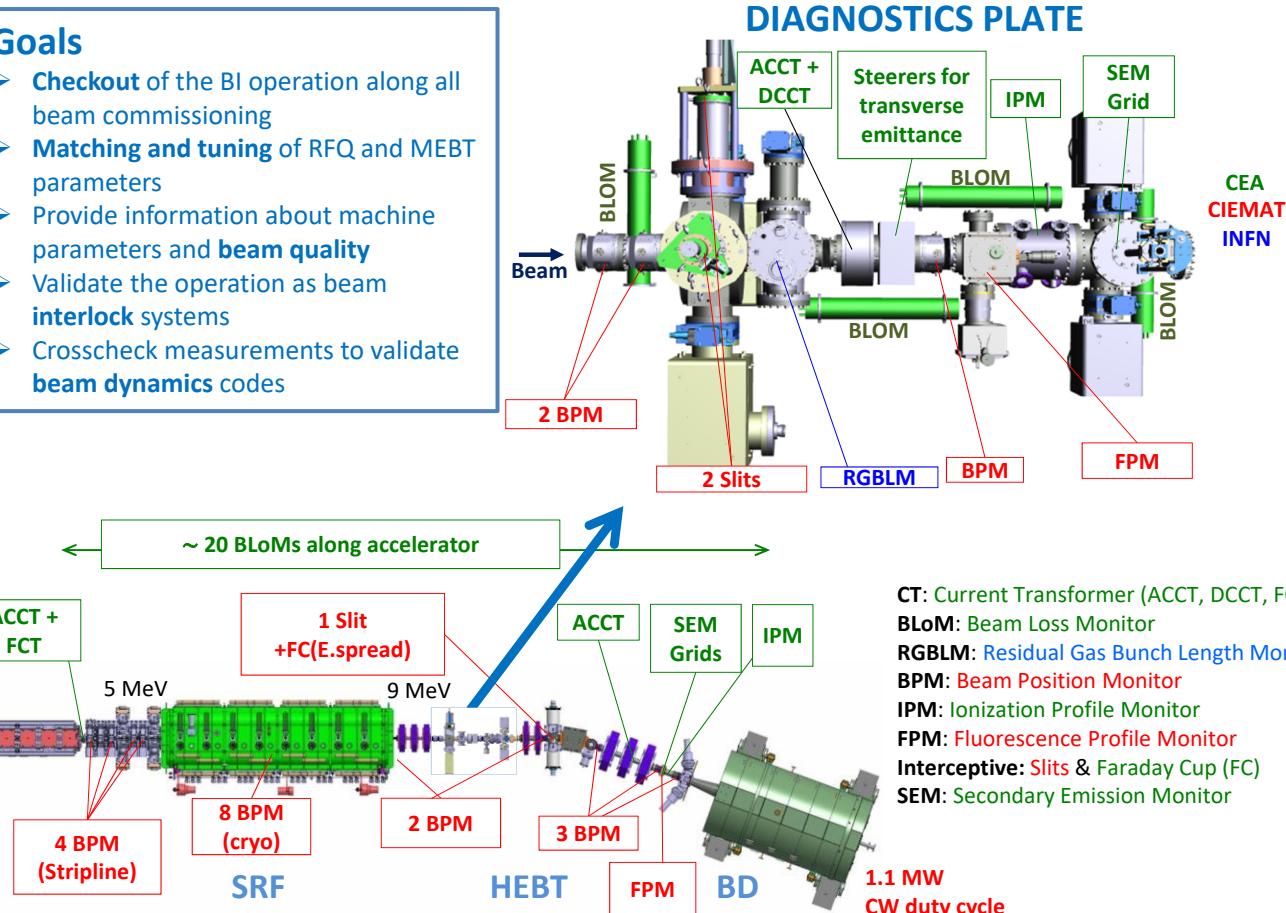
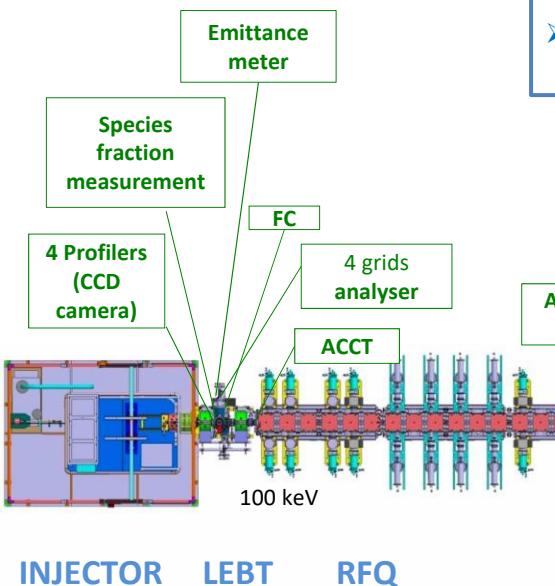
# LIPAc Beam Instrumentation

## Challenges

- High beam current in CW ( $D^+$  125 mA)
- Low beam energy (5-9 MeV)
- High beam power (up to 1.12 MW)

## Goals

- Checkout of the BI operation along all beam commissioning
- Matching and tuning of RFQ and MEBT parameters
- Provide information about machine parameters and **beam quality**
- Validate the operation as beam **interlock** systems
- Crosscheck measurements to validate **beam dynamics** codes



## BI during initial beam commissioning

### Injector preparation

- FC measurement
- EMU measurement

### RFQ acceleration

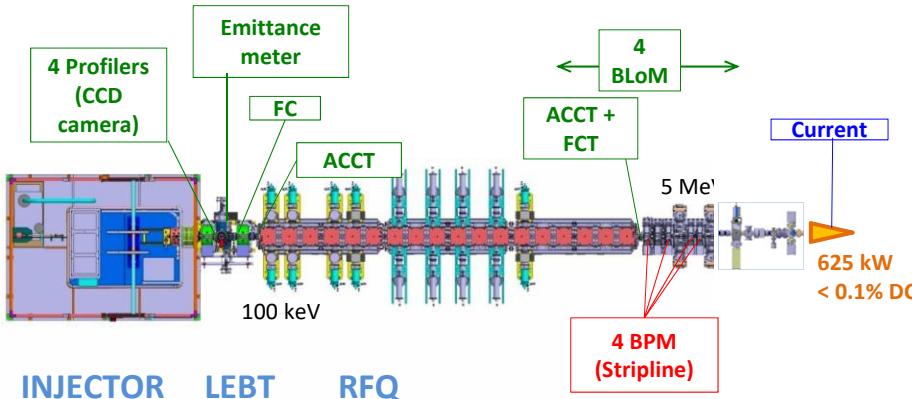
- CT's measurement
- CT's for optimization

### Characterization

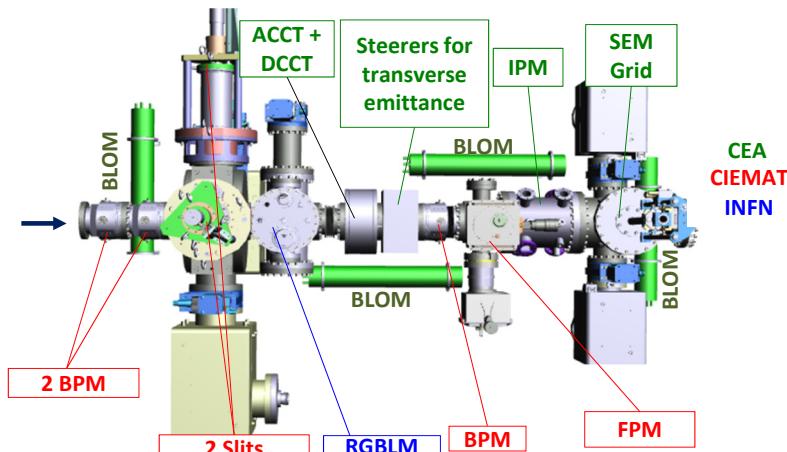
- BPM
- Profile measurements
- BLoM
- Radiation monitors
- Transverse emittance

### General status BI

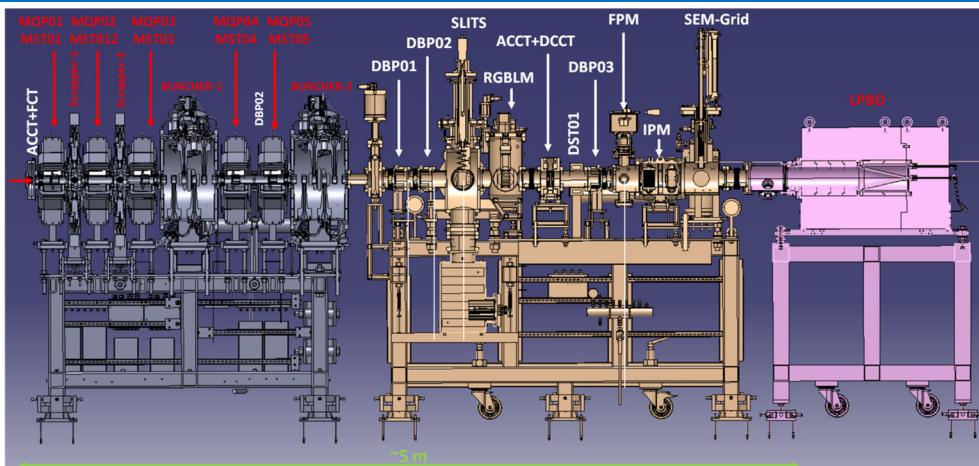
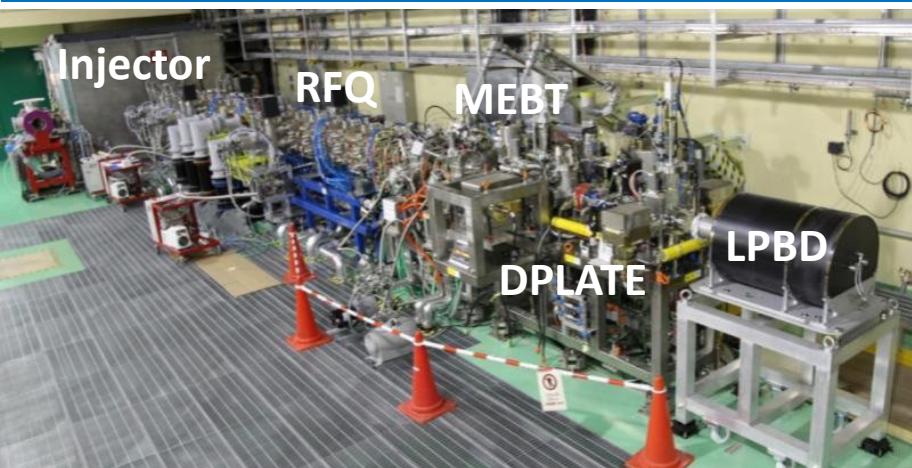
- ✓ All instrumentation **tested** with proton and deuteron
- ✓ A lot of data and **knowledge** has been learned from all the systems
- ✓ **Postprocessing** and crosschecking with Bdyn of recent data still under way
- ✓ **Upgrade** the instruments with the lessons learned from operation during this maintenance period to be ready for CW operation



### DIAGNOSTICS PLATE



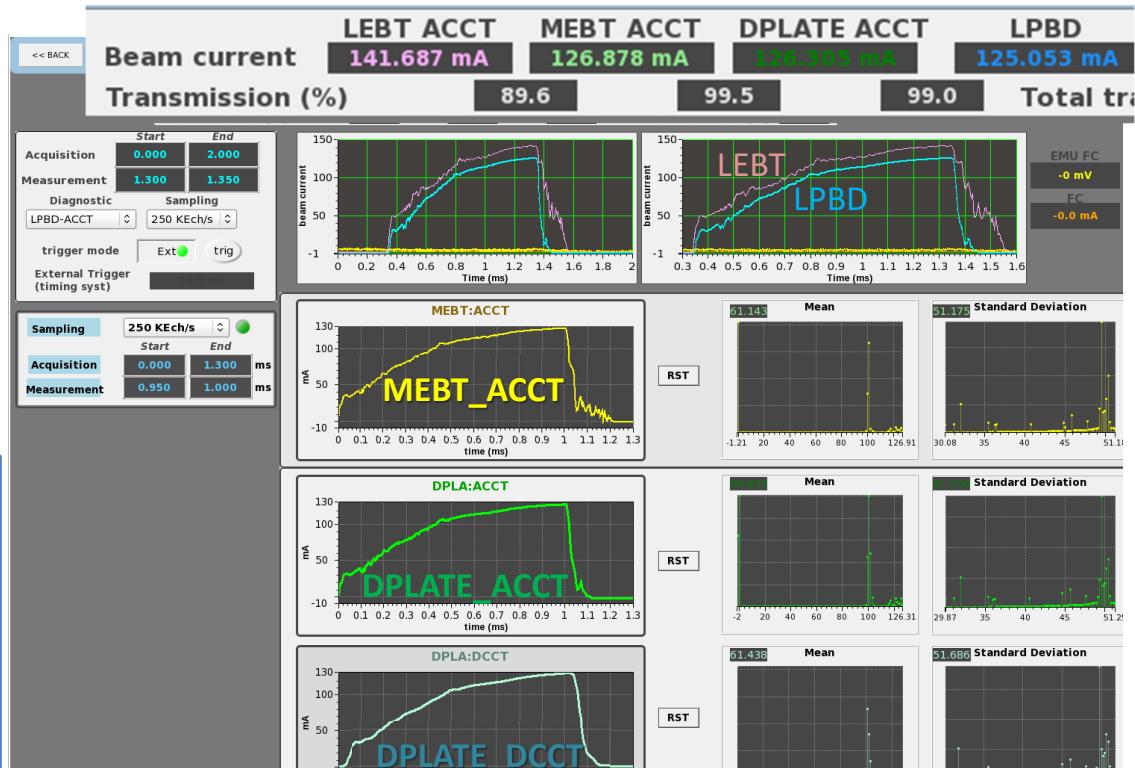
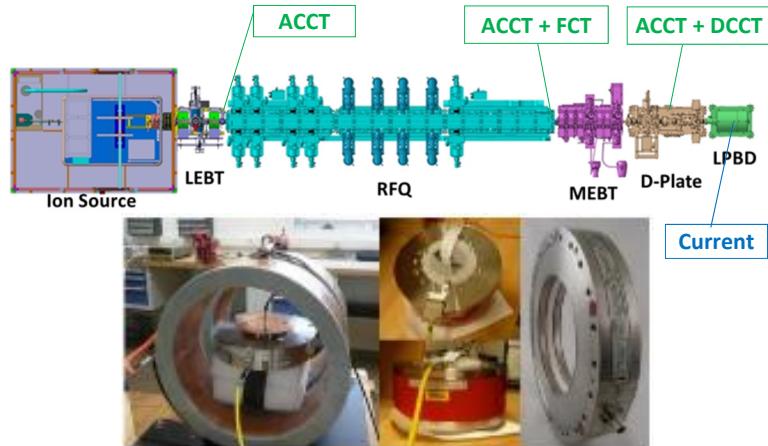
# Status Phase B Beam Instrumentation



Requirement	Target	Status
ACCT-DCCT and FCT	Current, Transmission, and Phase	Ok
BPM	Position, Phase & Energy	Ok
DP Interceptive (Slit+Steerer+Grid)	Transverse Profile	Ok
	Emittance	
FPM	Position and beam shape	Ok but only @ low beam current
IPM	Position and beam shape	Under study
BLOM & Radiation sensors	Beam losses and transmission	Ok
RGBLM	Longitudinal emission	Under study

# Feedback from different instruments

# Current Measurements: macropulse

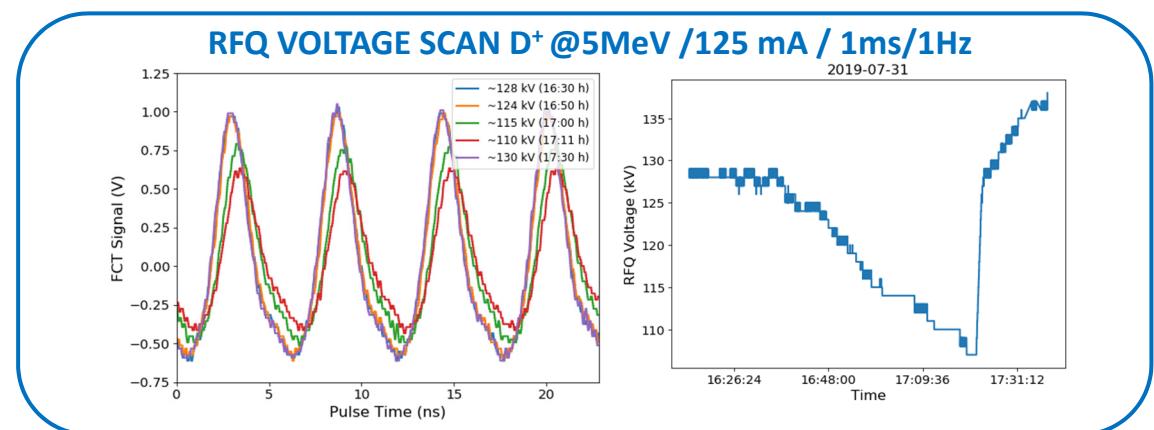
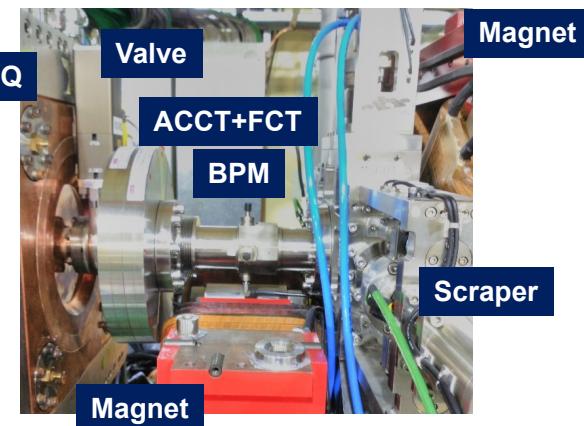
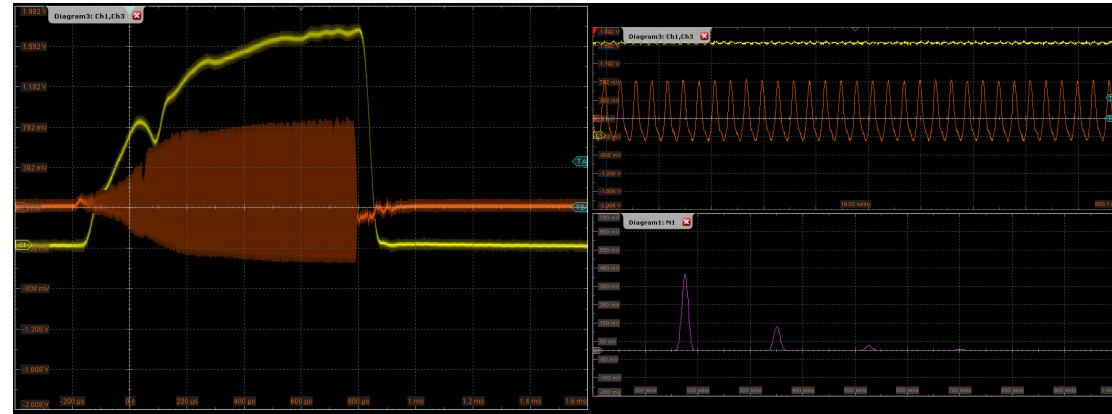


- Macropulse was measured with:
  - One commercial **ACCT** upstream the RFQ
  - One ACCT combined with FCT downstream the RFQ
  - One ACCT in DPlate.
- They have been **key devices** for the beam commissioning from the beginning both with proton / deuteron at pulsed mode
- Used during:
  - First checkout
  - RFQ transmission optimization
  - High energy transport line optimization
- Method to compensate ACCT long droops →  
Y. Hirata, MOPP009 (Monday)

Current measurements during  
**first 125 mA deuteron beam acceleration (1 ms / 1 Hz)**

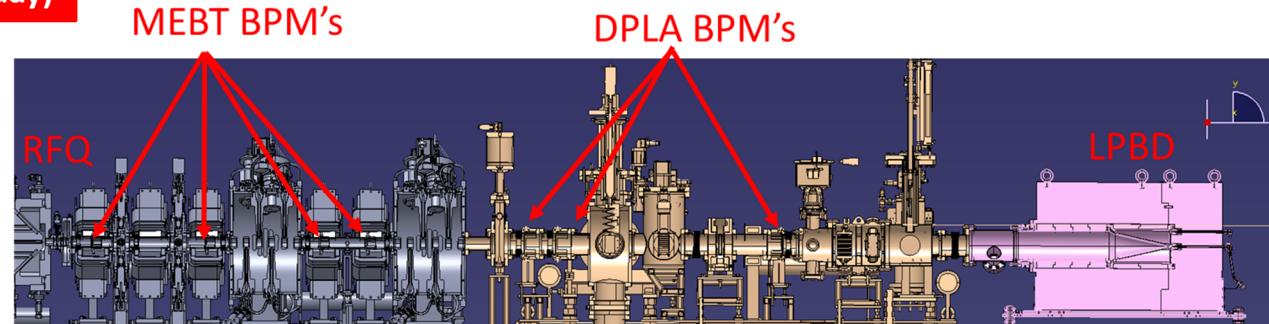
# Current measurements: bunch

- A Fast Current Transformer is installed together with the ACCT just downstream the RFQ
- **Very complex installation in this area**
- However, the **bandwidth** is limited to 14.2 kHz – 266.2 MHz, meaning 175 MHz bunch shape is **filtered**
- Monitor has been used during RFQ scans → Postprocessing of the data is still under way with this device

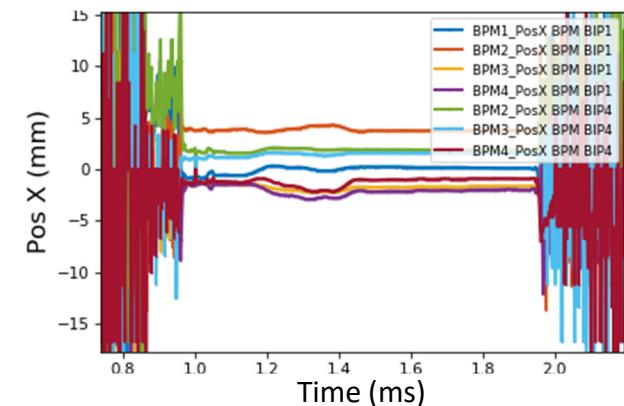


I. Podadera, WEPP013 (Wednesday)

4 x MBPM 3 x DBPM

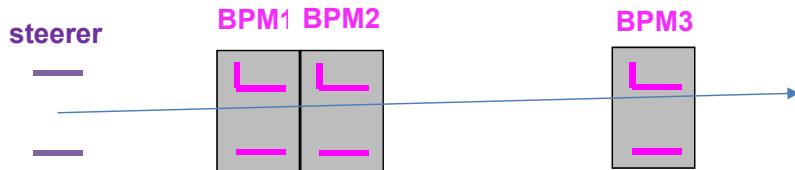


- Measurement of the position of the **centroid (transverse position and phase)**,
- **Digital acquisition** based on IQ demodulation of the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic after RF downmixing in analog frontend
- Matching of the long RF cables during installation
- **Automatic calibration** directly from AFE to minimize phase and amplitude errors introduced by the cable length
- **Installation** inside magnets aperture in MEBT due to lack of space (complex) → aligned to less than 150  $\mu\text{m}$
- From July, integration **new digitizers** from Seven Solutions adding new features to the system (intrapulse measurement, White Rabbit synchronization, direct energy measurement...)

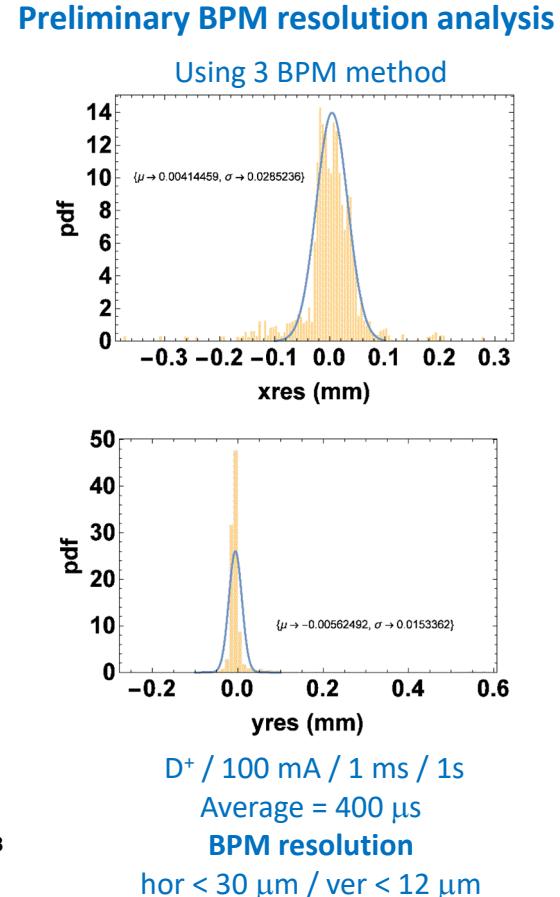
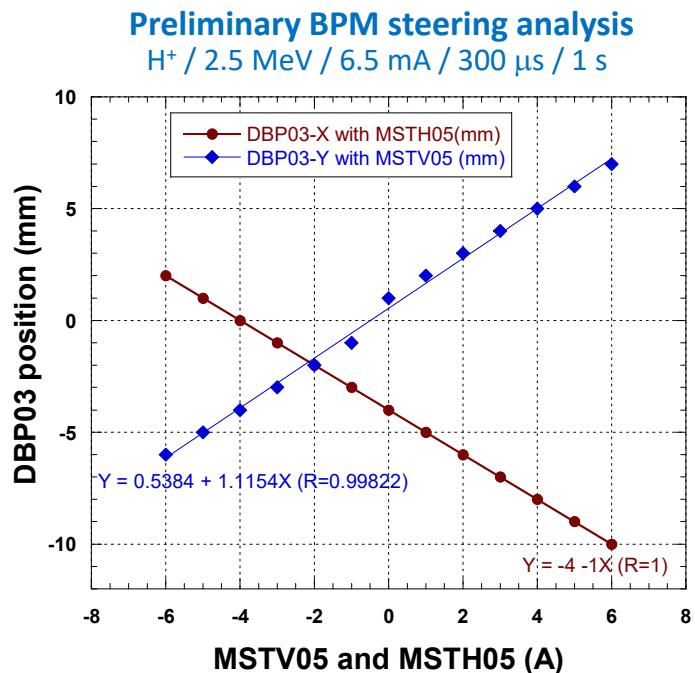


Intrapulse measurements with new acquisition upgrade

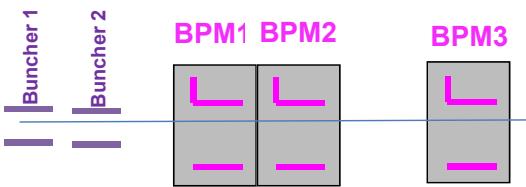
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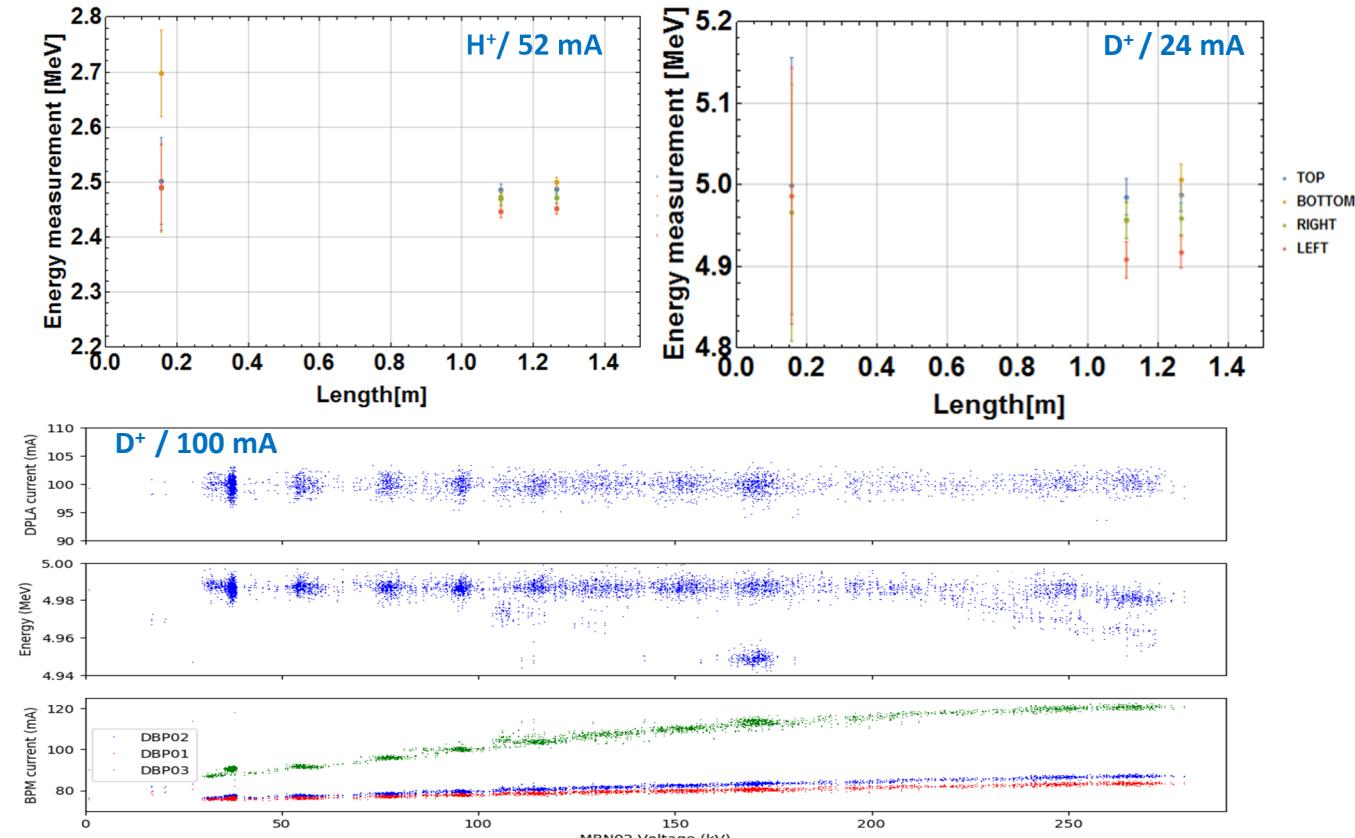
- Used for the **transport** down to the LPBD
- A lot of tests for the **absolute calibration** of the channels and measurement (under work)
- **Characterization** tests of the system (linearity, resolution, sensitivity...) → under analysis

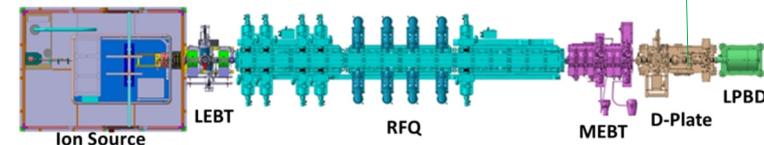


# Phase measurements

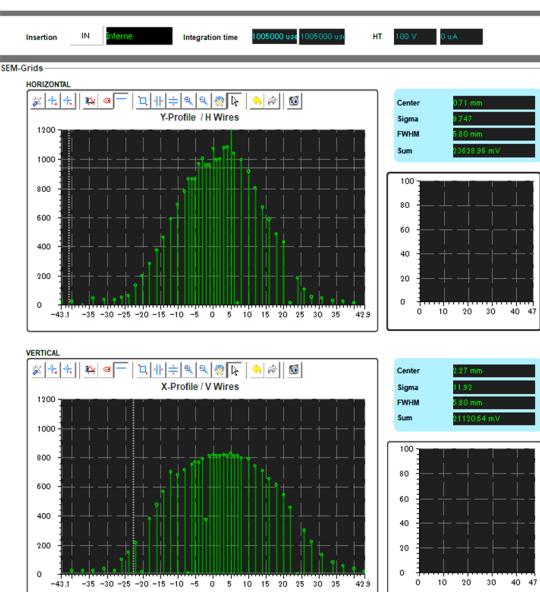


- Used for the energy measurements, RFQ voltage scans and rebuncher cavities tuning
- A lot of tests for the absolute calibration of the channels and measurement (under work)





J. Marroncle et al., TUPP006 (Tuesday)



### SEM Grid by GANIL

#### 2 squared wire grids:

- Tungsten golden plated wires
- 47 wires H & V  $\rightarrow \varnothing = 20 \mu\text{m}$
- Frames: Rogers 4350B
- Aperture = 100 mm
- Repeller (+100 V)

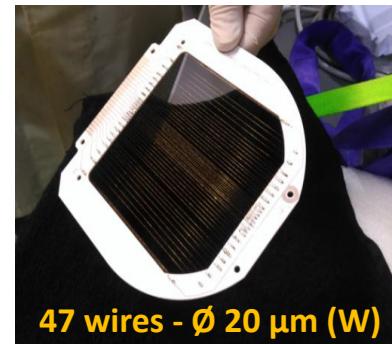
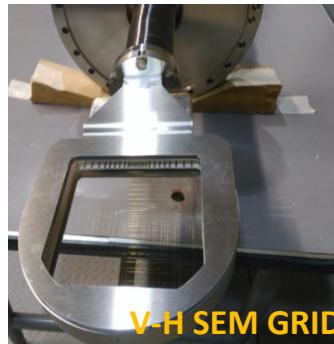
1 actuator

1 CF DN200

Integration time: 40  $\mu\text{s}$  to 16 s

Integrating capacitors = 68 nF

Monitoring: PLC



Pulse length is limited well below the thermionic threshold, using a thermal software for each beam conditions

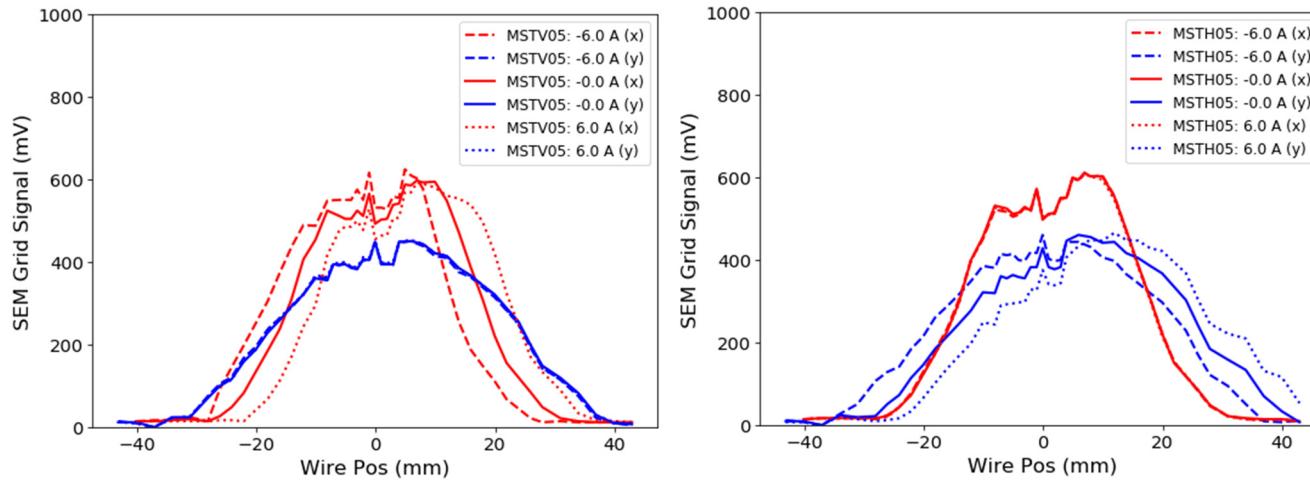
$\rightarrow$  Depends on  $\sigma_{\text{beam}}$ ,  $E_{\text{beam}}$  and  $I_{\text{beam}}$

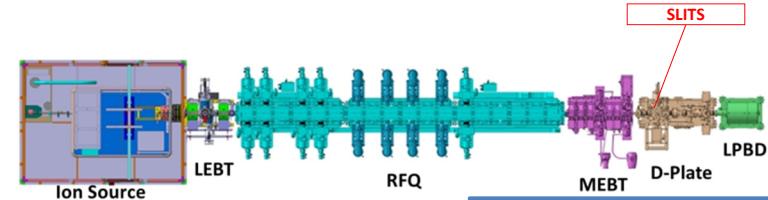
#### Secondary Emission Current

$\rightarrow$  Measurement is in agreement with estimation following the rule of thumb (electron emission occurring in the 1 nm outer layer)

Used for **optimization** of the profile & losses to the LPBD

Example of last MEBT vertical (*top*) and horizontal (*bottom*) magnetic field steering scan

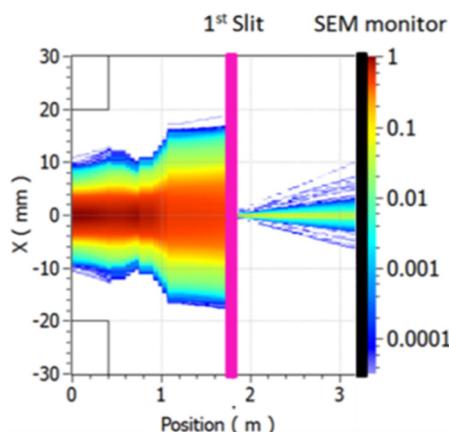




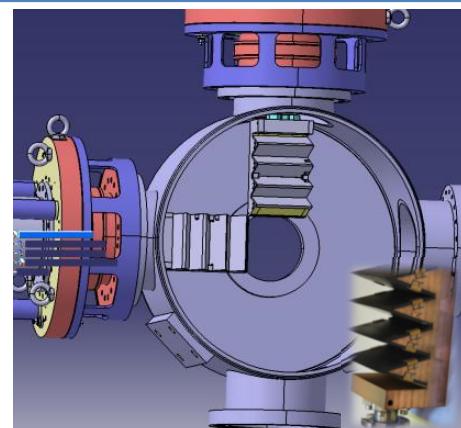
Slits are used in combination with SEM grids for the emittance measurement in each direction, by moving it along the beam distribution

#### Difficulties:

- Slits alignment and perpendicularity with beam
- High motion accuracy and bidirectional repeatability
- Slits size **200 µm** (high flatness and aperture parallelism)
- Long measurements time ( $\sim 30'$ )
- Shot to shot variation
- Required a control system for motion and acquisition very precise

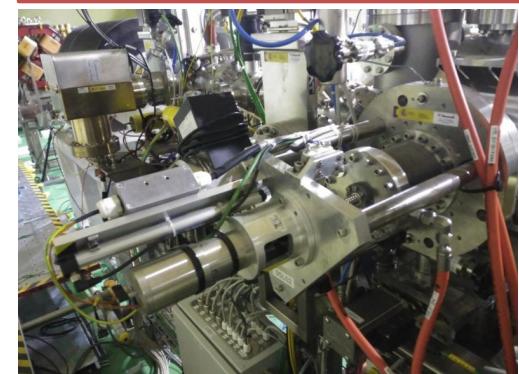


Low Duty Cycle (Maximum up to 1 Hz, 100 us, 0.1% DCycle)

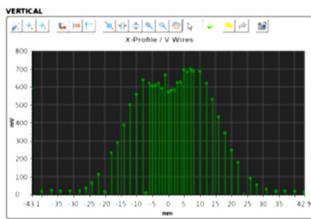
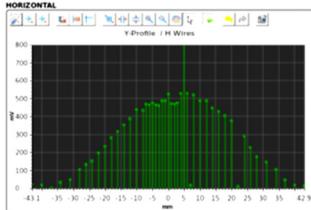


#### Uncertainties

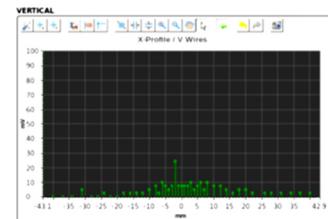
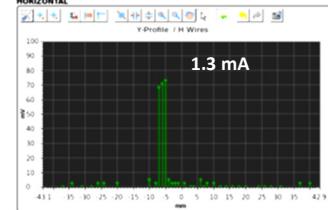
- Material dynamic properties
- Thermal shock
- Fatigue assessment:
  - Plastic follow-up or ratcheting
  - Post failure behaviour: crack propagation or stability
- Thermal interaction between surfaces: conduction by pressure



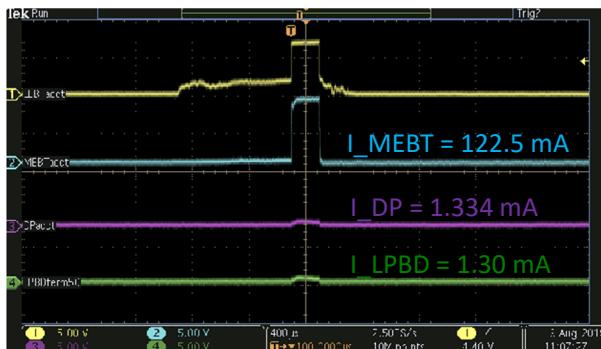
Slit OUT



Slit IN

**D<sup>+</sup> @5 MeV, 120 mA (200us/single-shot)****Thermomechanical validation of slits and SEM-grid @ 125 mA (low DC / Single beam pulse)**

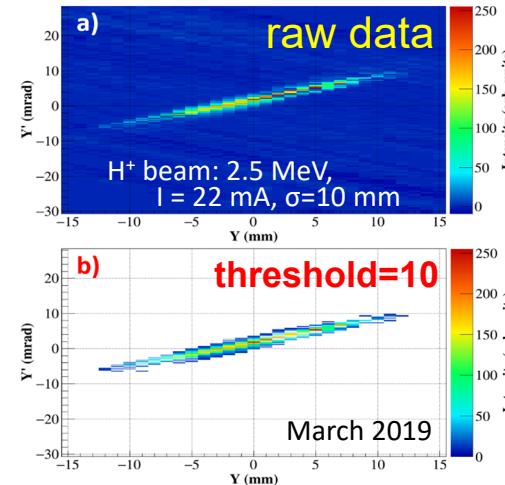
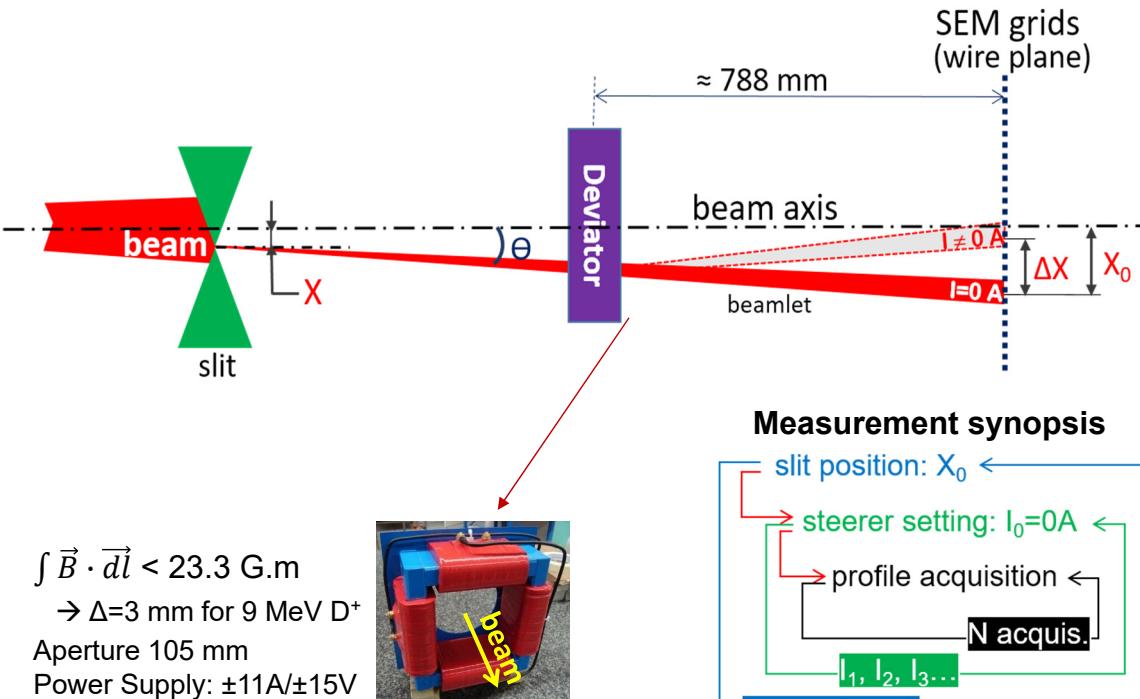
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# Transverse emittance measurements

J. Marroncle et al., TUPP006 (Tuesday)

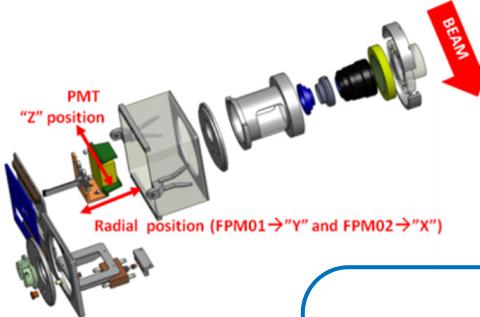
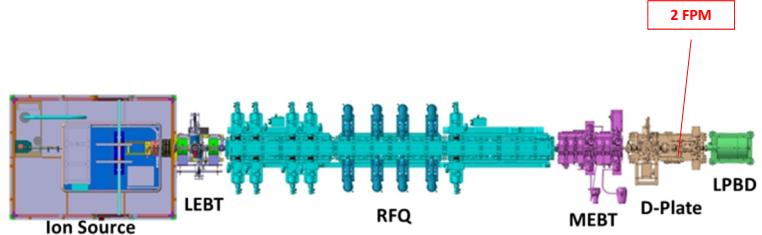
As Read-Out is a SEM-Grid, large wire gaps (1, 2, 3 mm) avoid measuring accurately beamlets  
 → Steerers allow for sweeping the beamlet on few wires



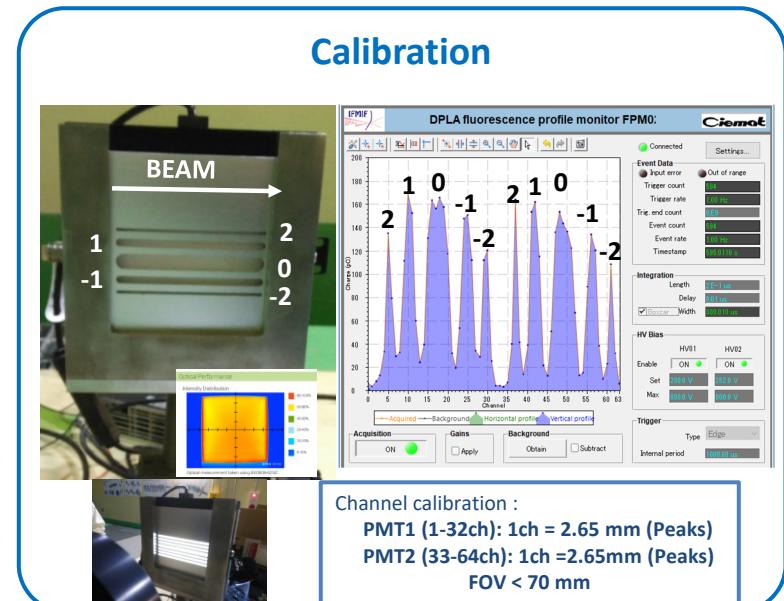
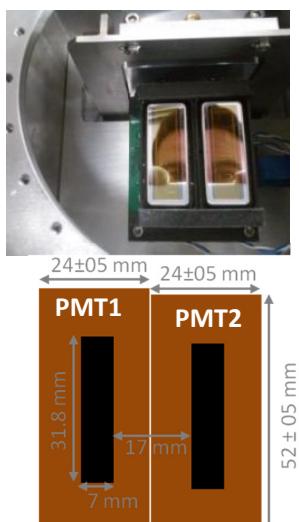
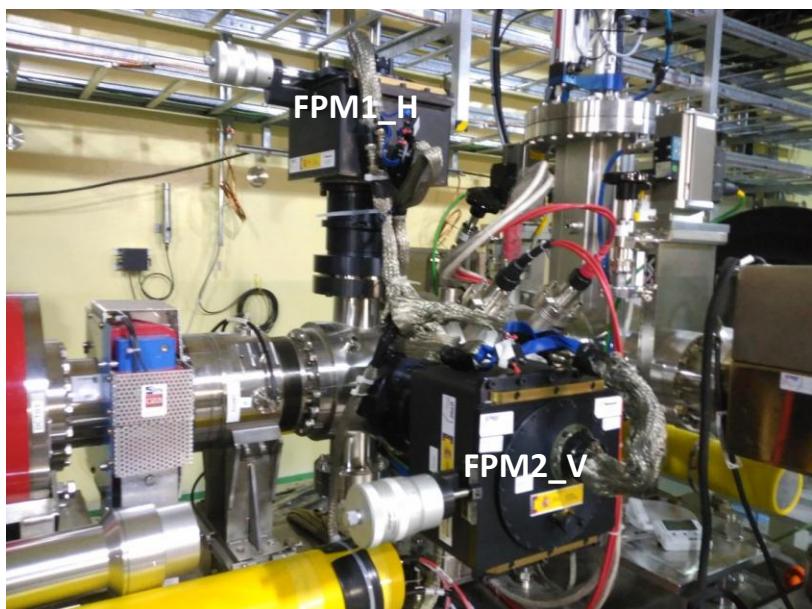
Experimental transverse Emittance and Twiss parameters are in good agreement with dynamics simulations

Measurement	1	2	3	4
SOL1 [A]	135	135	135	131
SOL2 [A]	160	160	162	162
V... / kV/l	66	62	70	70
Norm. $\epsilon_{\text{exp}} / \epsilon_{\text{sim}}$	0.24 /	0.24 /	0.22 /	0.24 /
[π mm mrad]	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.28
$\beta_{\text{exp}} / \beta_{\text{sim}}$	7.1 /	8.0 /	6.6 /	6.5 /
[mm/π mrad]	7.5	8.1	6.3	6.0
$\alpha_{\text{exp}} / \alpha_{\text{sim}}$	-4.8 /	-5.4 /	-4.3 /	-4.4 /
	-5.5	-6.0	-4.3	-4.5

# Fluorescence profile monitors

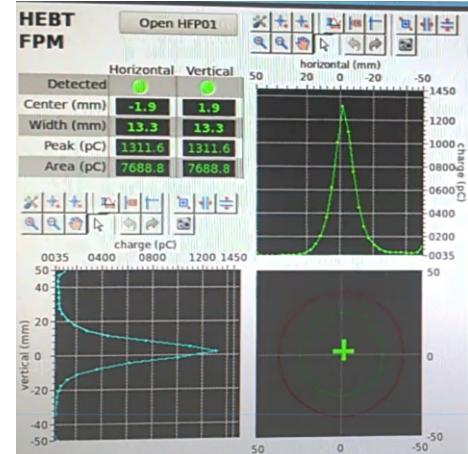
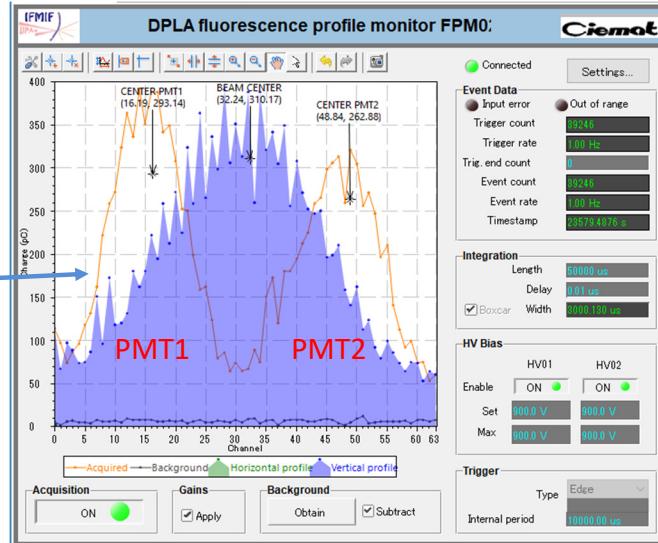
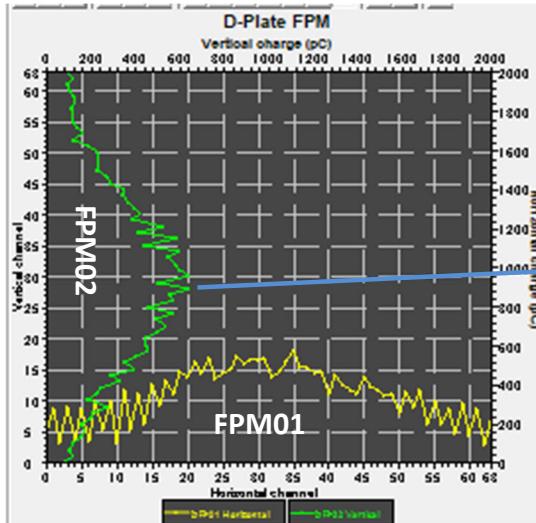


- 2 PMT arrays of 32 channels
- PMT1 & PMT2 shifted 500 µm to increase spatial resolution
- Optical adjustment of PMT (focal, radial and "Z") and lens



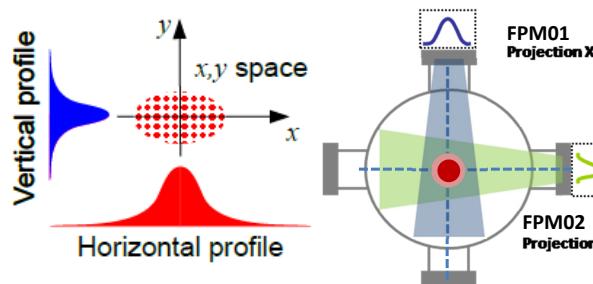
# Fluorescence profile monitors

$H^+$ @2.5 MeV, I-LEBT= 22 mA (3.7 ms/1Hz), integration time 1 msec  
 SOL1/SOL2=142/150V\_RFQ=70 kV



$$\varepsilon \sim \sigma^{eq} P_{gas} \cdot I_{beam} \cdot d_{path}$$

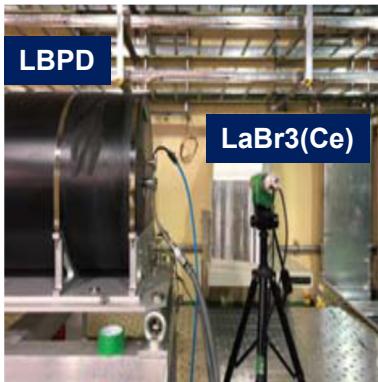
$$N \sim \varepsilon \cdot \Omega \cdot \tau \chi^{sist}$$



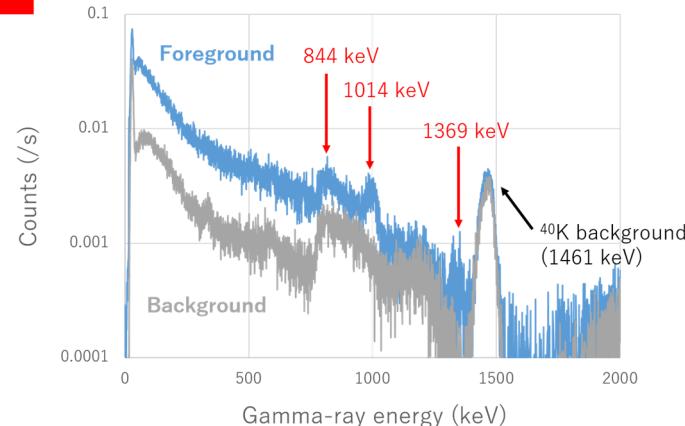
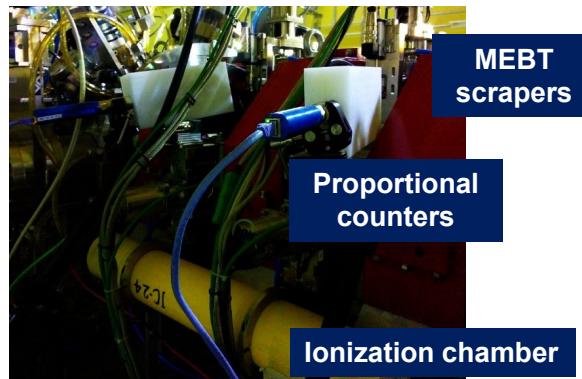
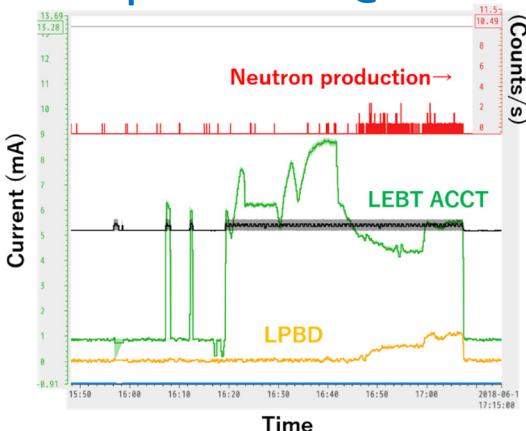
- Used for studies of the profile to the LPBD
- Linearity with  $I_{beam}$  and with pressure
- High efficiency even at low current and vacuum pressure,  $1e^{-7}$ mbar or lower
- Beam shape spectrum with pulse length above 1 ms and  $I_{beam}$  above 22 mA
- the approximation to the triple product of  $\tau \cdot P_{gas} \cdot I_{Beam} \simeq 1E^{-7}$  (The light efficiency, N)
- At **high current** the radiation (in phase B) the increase of background level from beam dump is masking the beam signal → under investigation for Phase B+

# Beam loss measurements: H<sup>+</sup>

K. Kondo et al., MOPTS047, IPAC'19

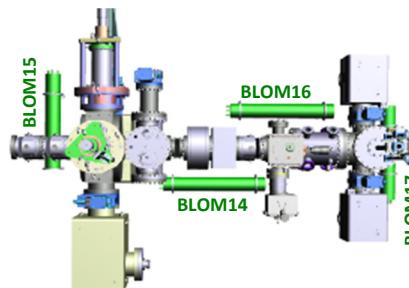
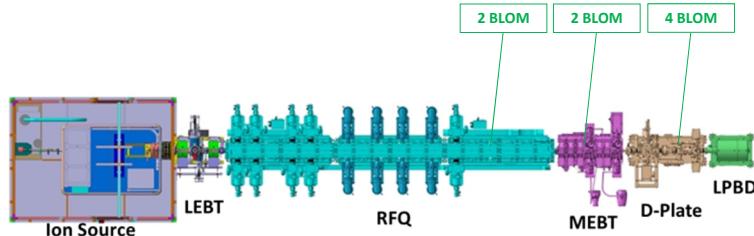


1<sup>st</sup> proton beam @ LBPD

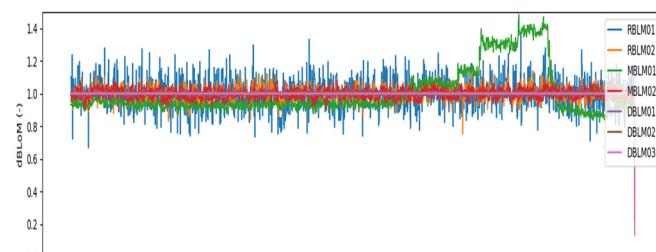
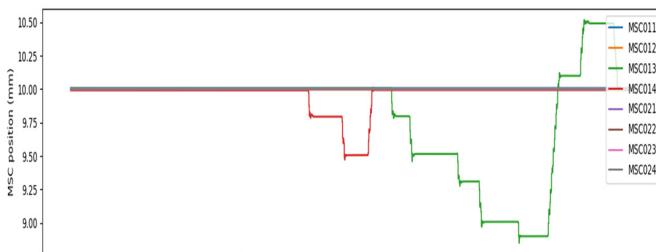


- Slow signal was obtained from:
  - LaBr<sub>3</sub>(Ce) **scintillation detectors** for gamma-ray detection downstream the LPBD
  - He-3 **proportional counters** for neutron detection surrounding the MEBT
- Used for beam checkout and energy measurement:
  - **Gamma-rays** corresponding to certain excited states of aluminium (LPBD) coming from inelastic scattering reactions: 844 keV /<sup>27</sup>Al(p,p'γ1), 1014 keV / <sup>27</sup>Al(p,p'γ2), 1369 keV/ <sup>27</sup>Al(p, αγ1) <sup>27</sup>Mg (*E<sub>th</sub>*> 1.7 MeV)
  - Also some **neutrons**, which would originate from the interaction of protons with copper -<sup>65</sup>Cu(p,n)<sup>65</sup>Zn, *E<sub>th</sub>*> **2.17 MeV**- of **MEBT scrapers**, were observed.

# Beam loss measurements: D<sup>+</sup>

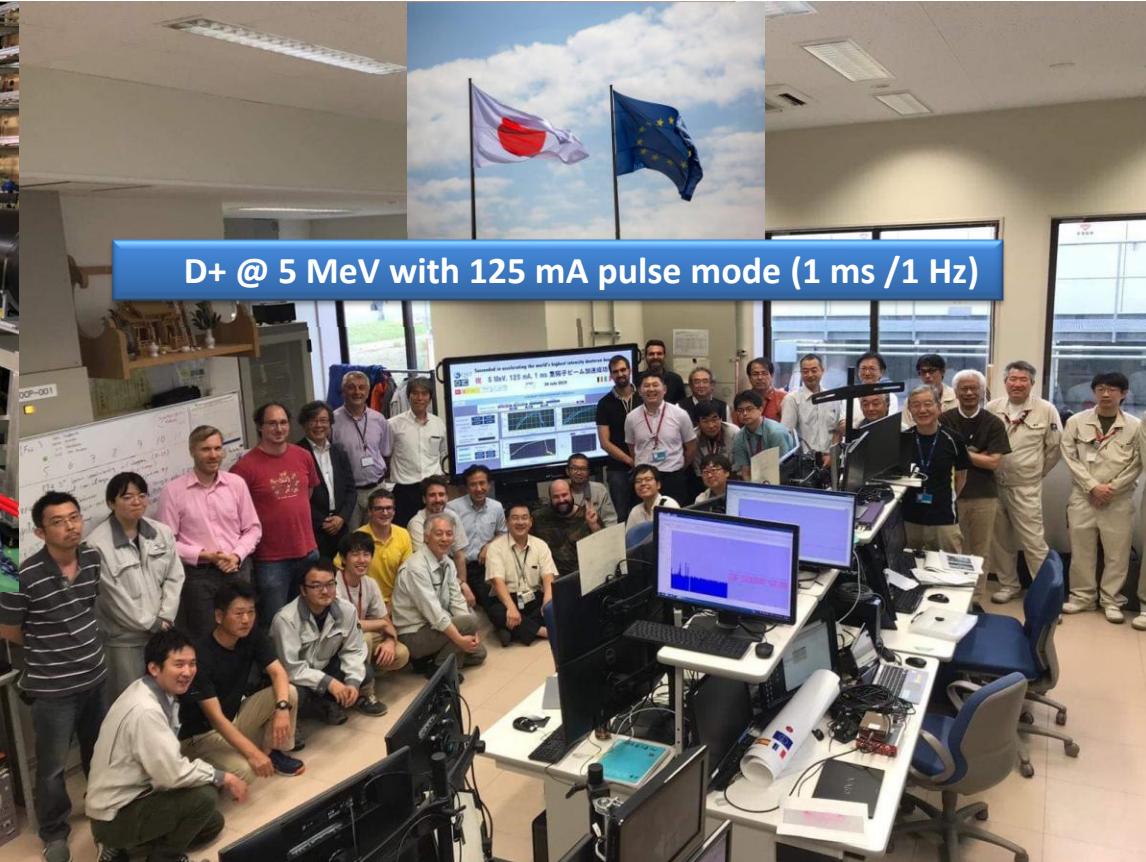


MEBT Scrapers scan



- Signal obtained from **ionization chambers**
- BLoMs signal proportional to beam current (LPBD irradiation) and sensitive to beam losses
- Useful for **MEBT scrapers scan** (signal only detected by nearest BLoM)
- **Alarm & MPS thresholds** still be defined after more machine time and simulations crosscheck

- Beam Instrumentation has been key devices for LIPAc validation in pulsed mode:
  - **H<sup>+</sup> @ 2.5 MeV with I\_LPBD = 62 mA (800us / 1Hz)**
  - **D<sup>+</sup> @ 5 MeV with 125 mA pulse mode (1 ms / 1 Hz)**
- **Main beam Instrumentation is operational**
- RFQ and MEBT operational parameters has been tested at high current, and transmission through MEBT has been optimized
- The information obtained in the present commissioning phase is vital for the operation in CW, and for SRF-linac operation:
  - Characterization of **current, position and energy** has been performed at all operation regimes
  - Characterization **transverse profile** with protons and deuterons (single pulse).
  - Characterization **transverse emittance** only at low current and low duty cycle protons
  - Characterization of **longitudinal profile** and **longitudinal emittance** planned to be measured during the next commissioning phase
- Using the data acquired to **upgrade** the instrumentation during **maintenance period** to be ready for a new phase bringing us to **D<sup>+</sup> @ 125 mA\_CW operation (Phase B<sup>+</sup>)**



# Thanks !!