

STATUS OF BERLINPRO

FINAL COMMISSIONING PREPARATIONS

ERL 2024, 69th ICFA Advanced Beam Dynamics Workshop
on Energy Recovery Linacs

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bERLinPro Beam Countdown

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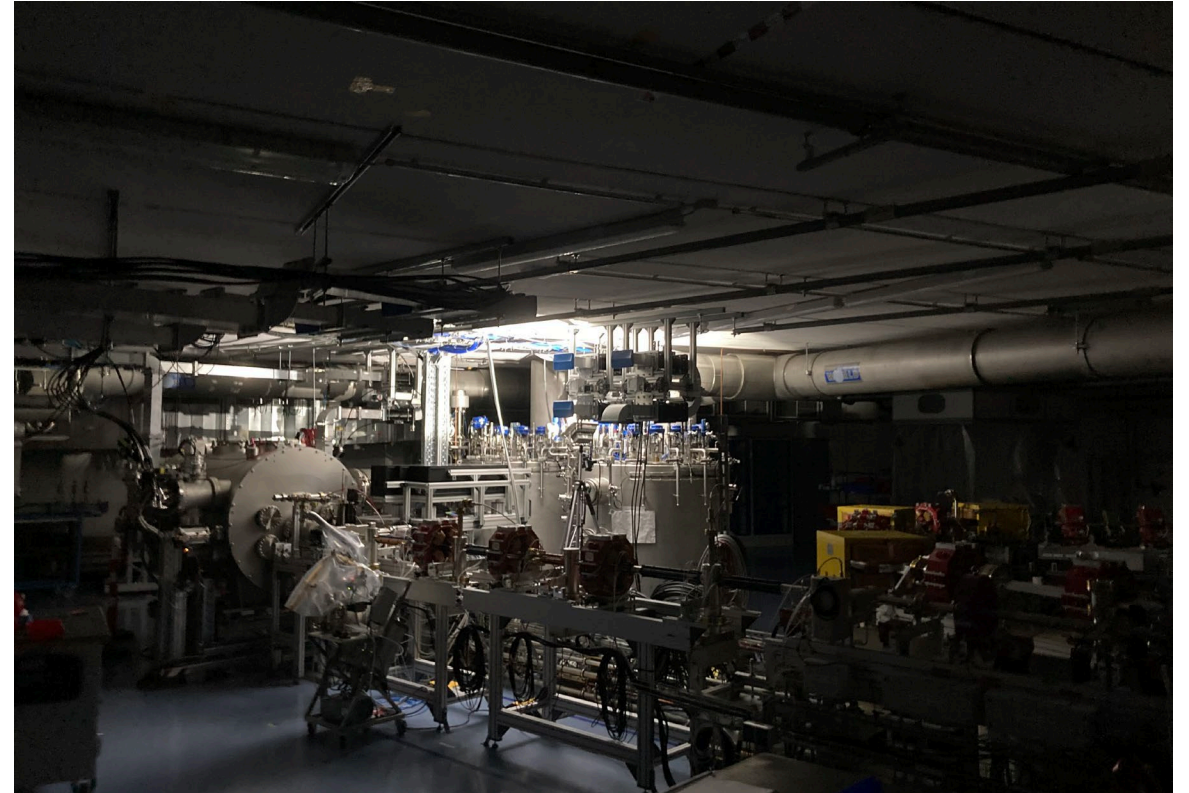
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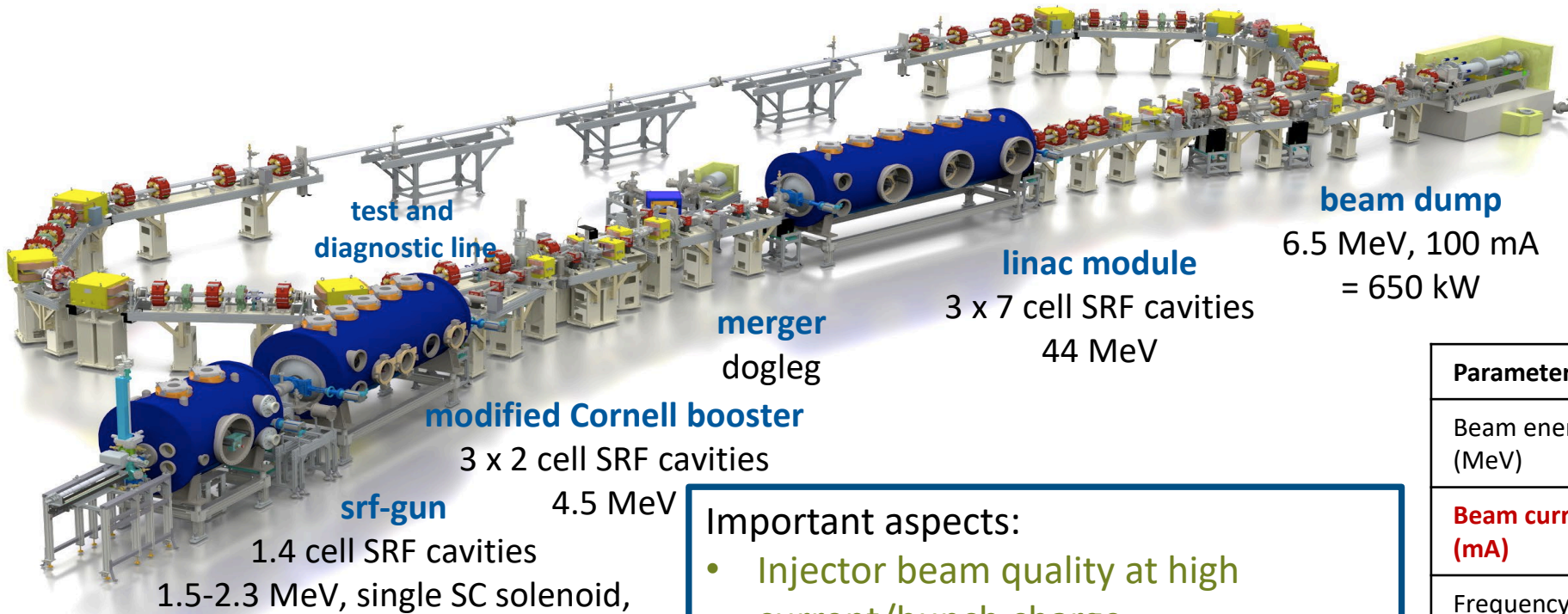
- **Reminder: What was bERLinPro meant for and how far is it assembled and financed?**
- **Current status of the facility**
- **2024: Finally the year of first beam?**
 - Milestones:
 - Final setup of the injector beamline
 - First cooldown and RF tests
- **2024: Beam commissioning plan, a first insight**



The injector awakens

Evolution of bERLinPro

From 4th generation light source prototype (2011), via generic high intensity ERL prototype (2012-2020) towards *application driven* facility (today)



Single turn high intensity ERL
5 MW beam power
650 kW injector beam power

Important aspects:

- Injector beam quality at high current/bunch charge
- Beam loss control and monitoring
→ Radiation protection
- Beam break-up in main Linac
- Longitudinal control of beams for recovery process (low power margin)

Parameter	bERLinPro
Beam energy recirculator (MeV)	50
Beam current ERL mode (mA)	100
Frequency RF and Laser (GHz)	1.3
Normalized emittance (mm mrad)	1 (< 0.6 in simulations)
Bunch length (ps)	< 2 (ERL mode), 100 fs @ 10 mA
Beam losses	<< 10 ⁻⁵ @ 100 mA

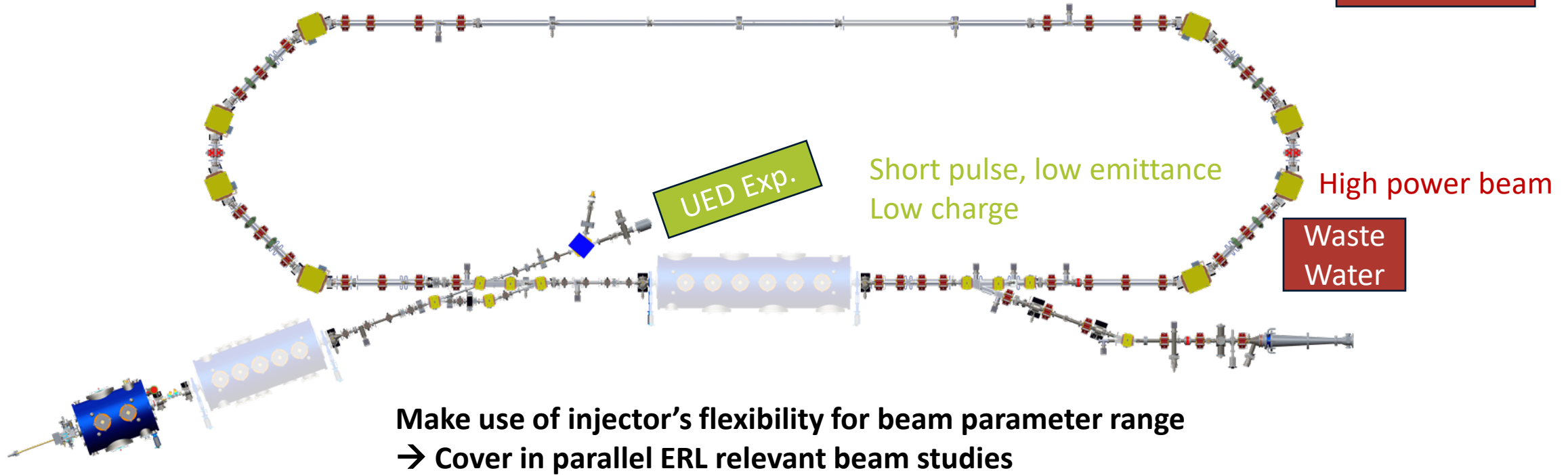
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Stages at bERLinPro

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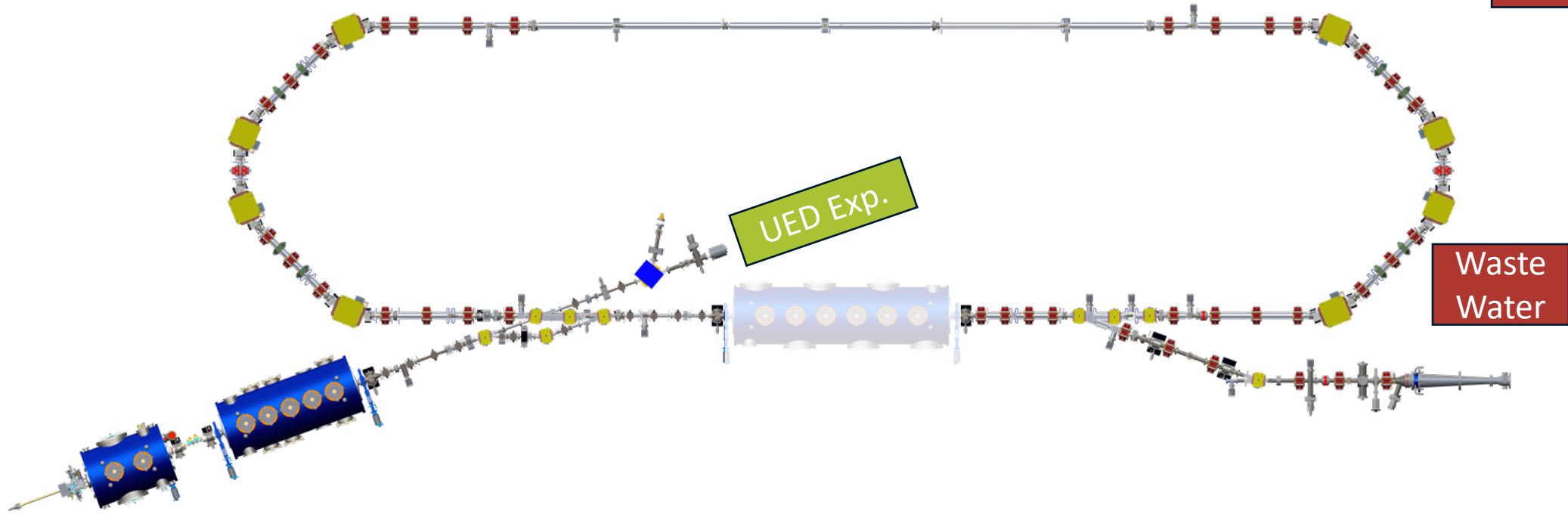
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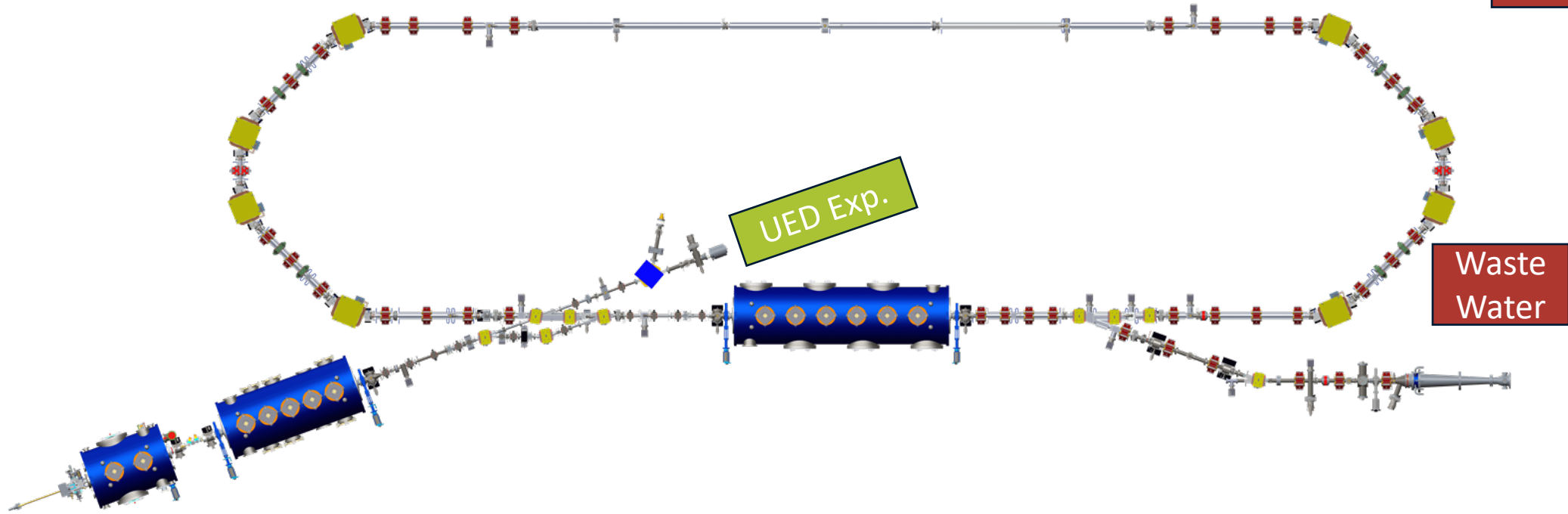
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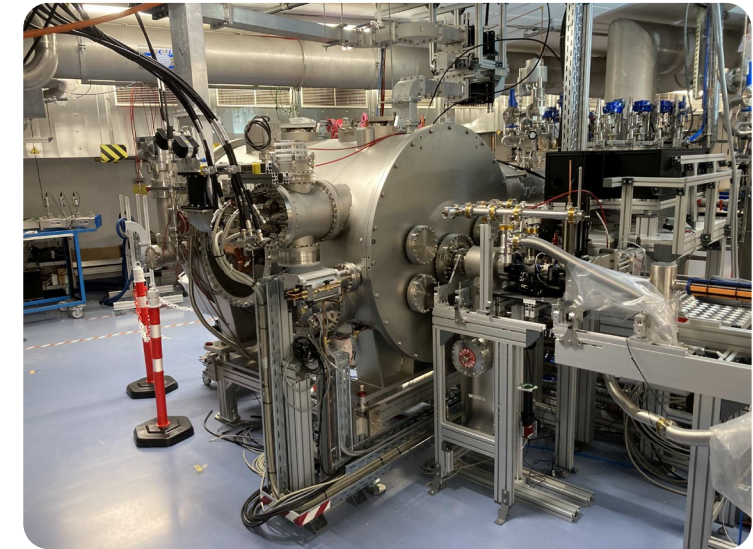
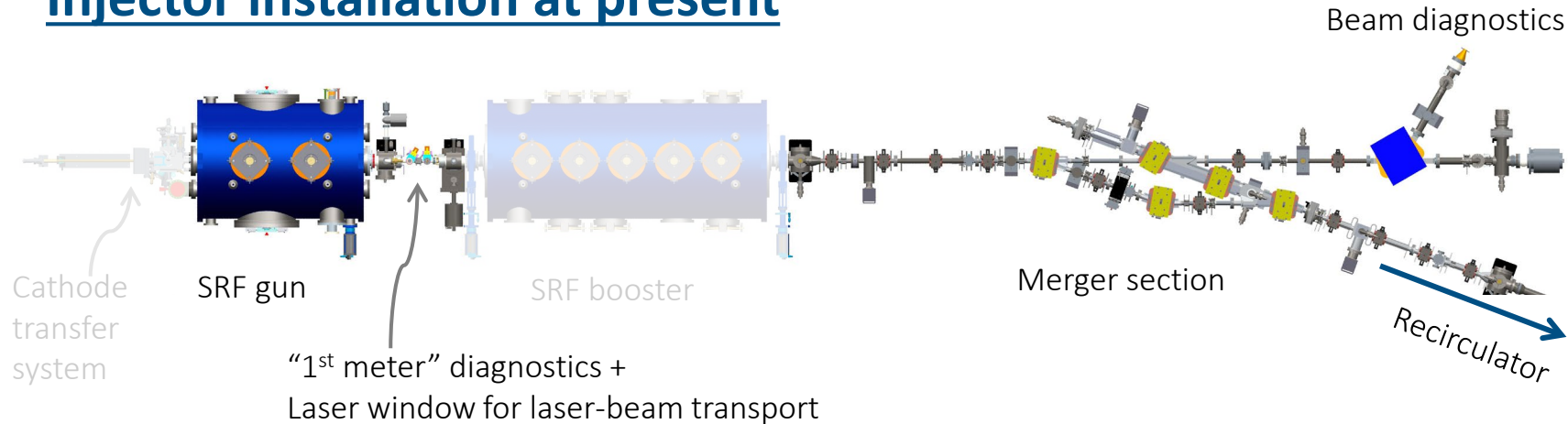


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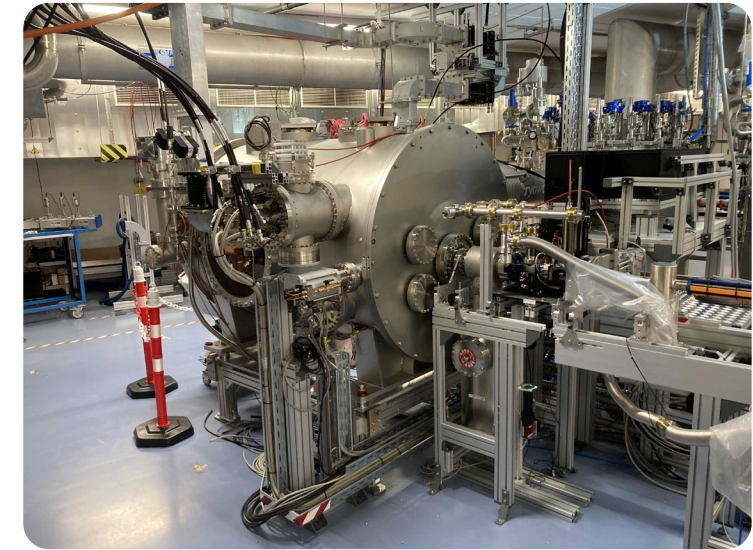
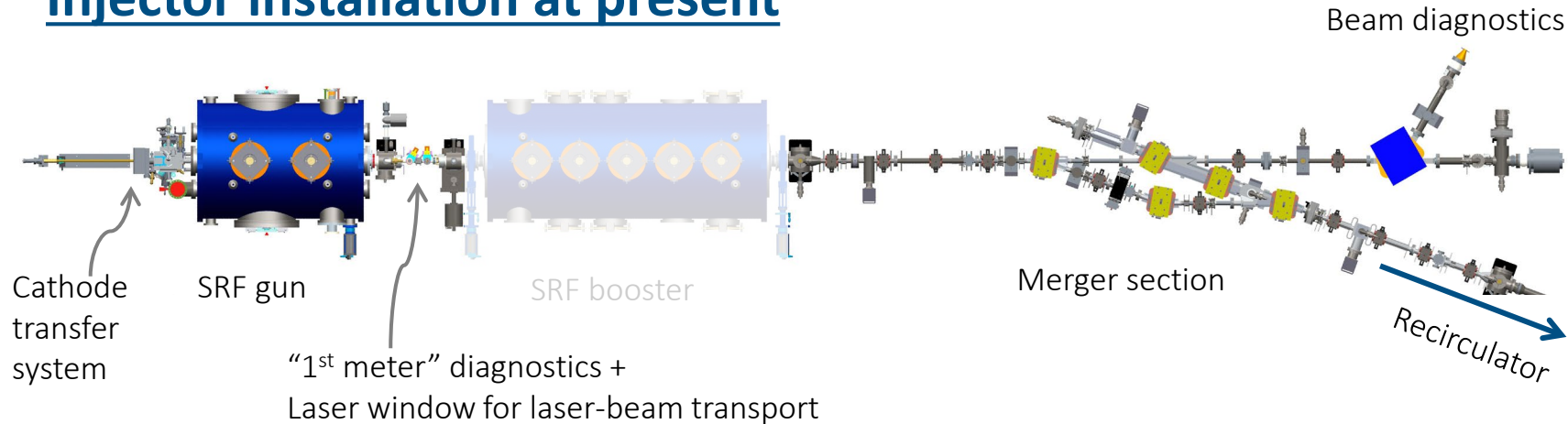


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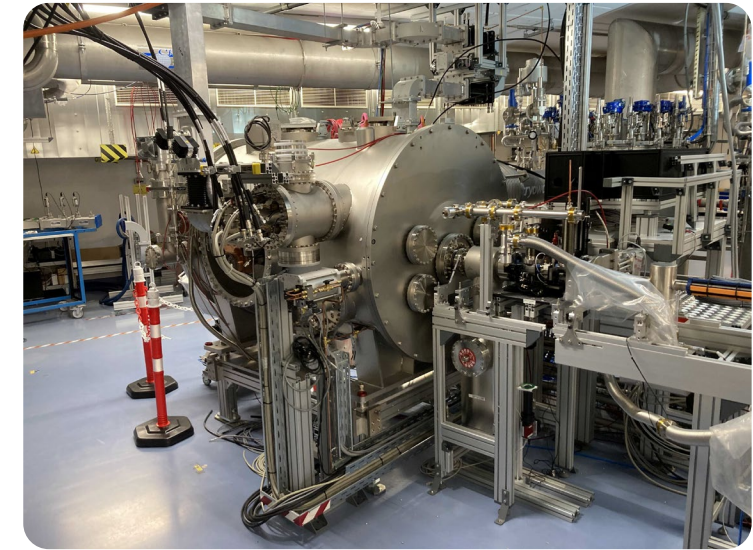
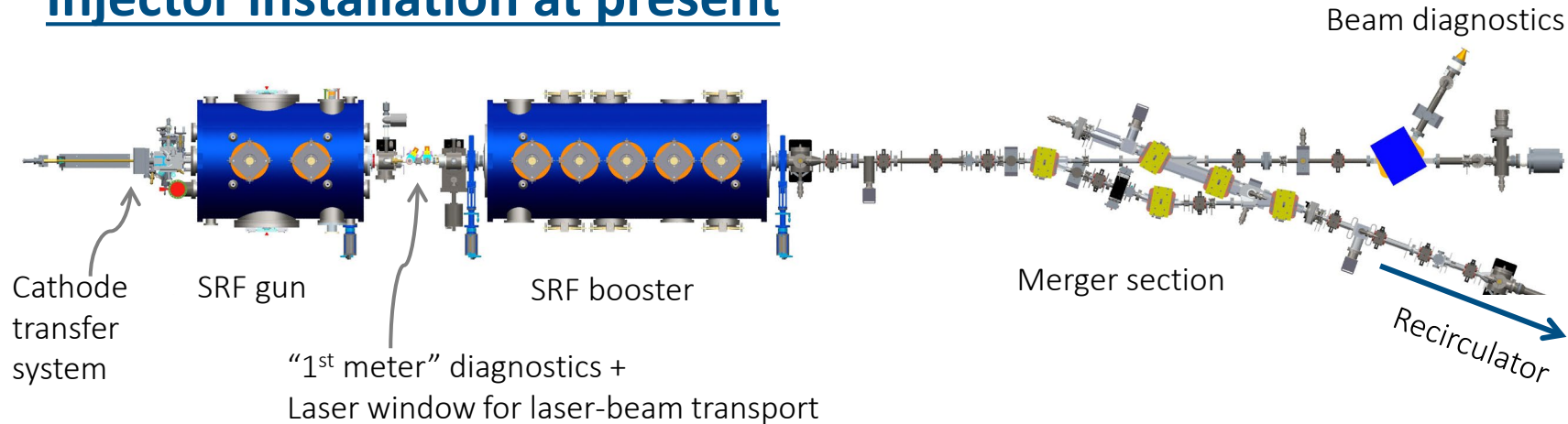


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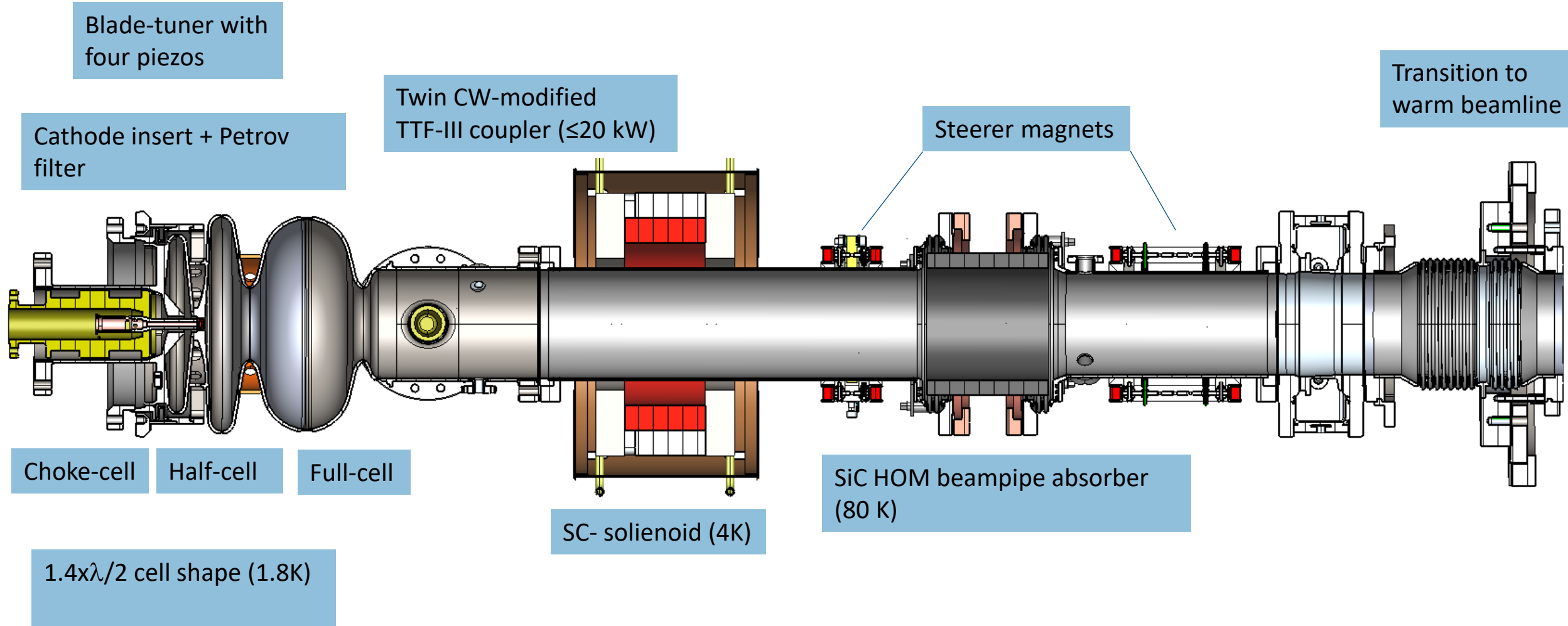
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Reminder: The SRF Gun



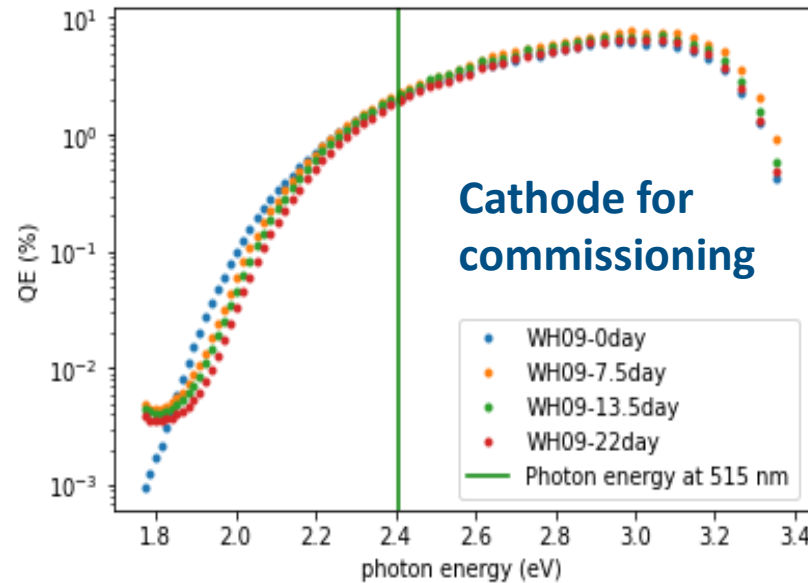
Cathodes: Na-K-Sb vs. Cs-K-Sb

Investigations into Na-K-Sb as more temperature robust alternative to Cs-K-Sb (baseline cathode)

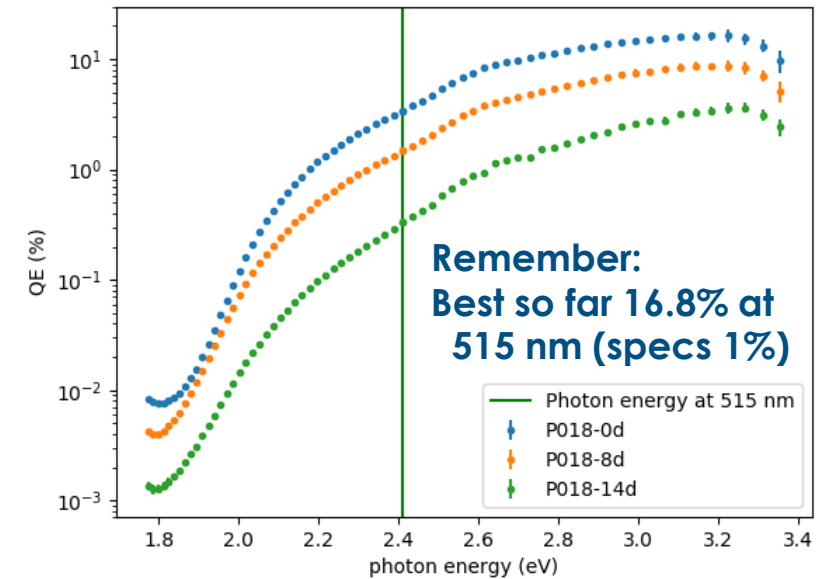
Photocathode Preparation & Analysis System



Spectral Response Na-K-Sb (WH09)



Spectral response Cs-K-Sb (P18)



Time after deposition	Na-K-Sb (WH09) QE @ 515 nm	Cs-K-Sb (P18) QE @ 515 nm
0 days	2.0%	3.4 %
8 days	2.4%	1.5 %
14 days	2.2%	0.3 %
22 days	2.0%	-

High QE photocathodes for SEALAB photoinjector:

Explore multi-alkali Cs- and Na-K-Sb systems, from theoretical modeling (DFG fund), growth and characterization, towards operation in a SRF gun.

Complete infrastructure: growth and characterization system, UHV transport vessels, access to materials science lab EMIL at HZB, collaboration with theory.

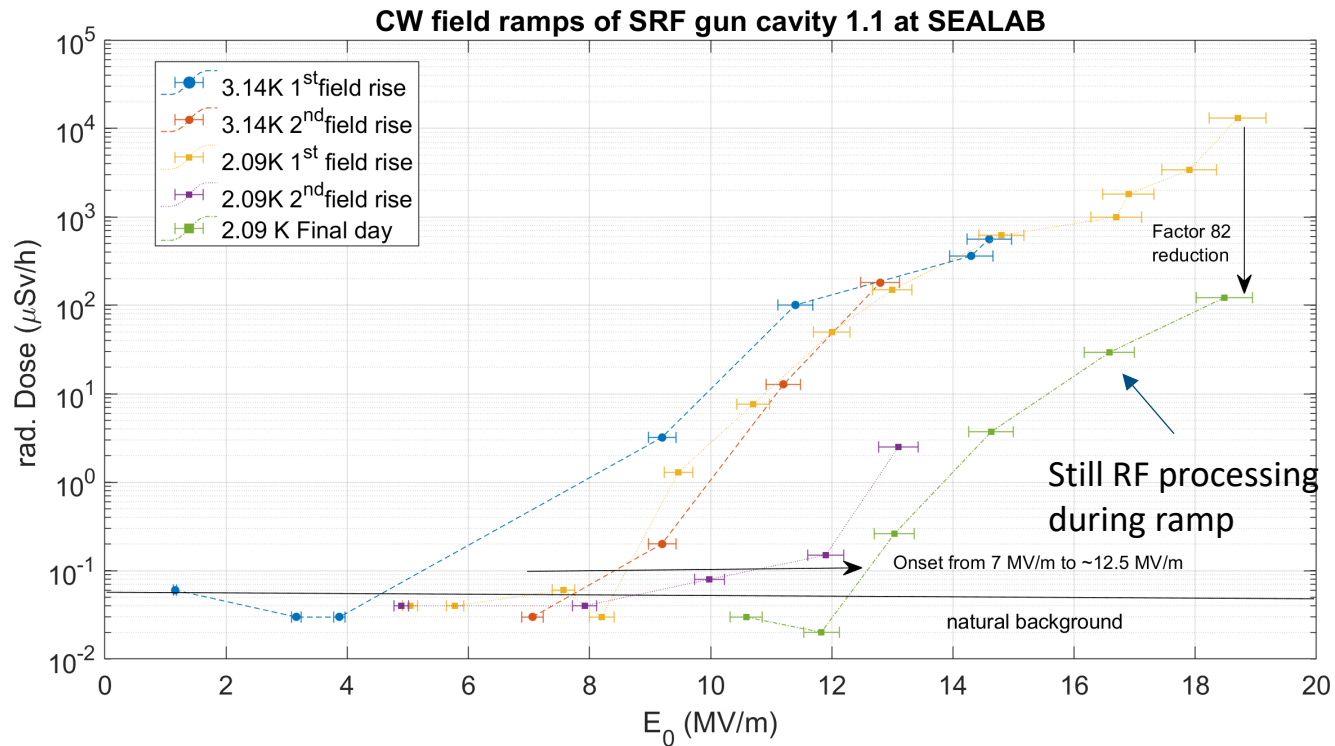


Lifetime/Robustness

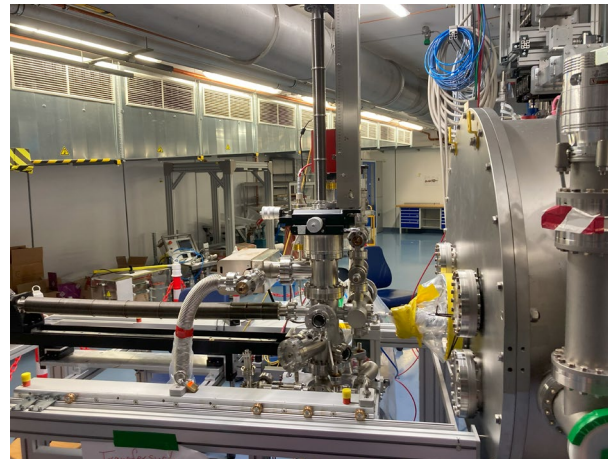


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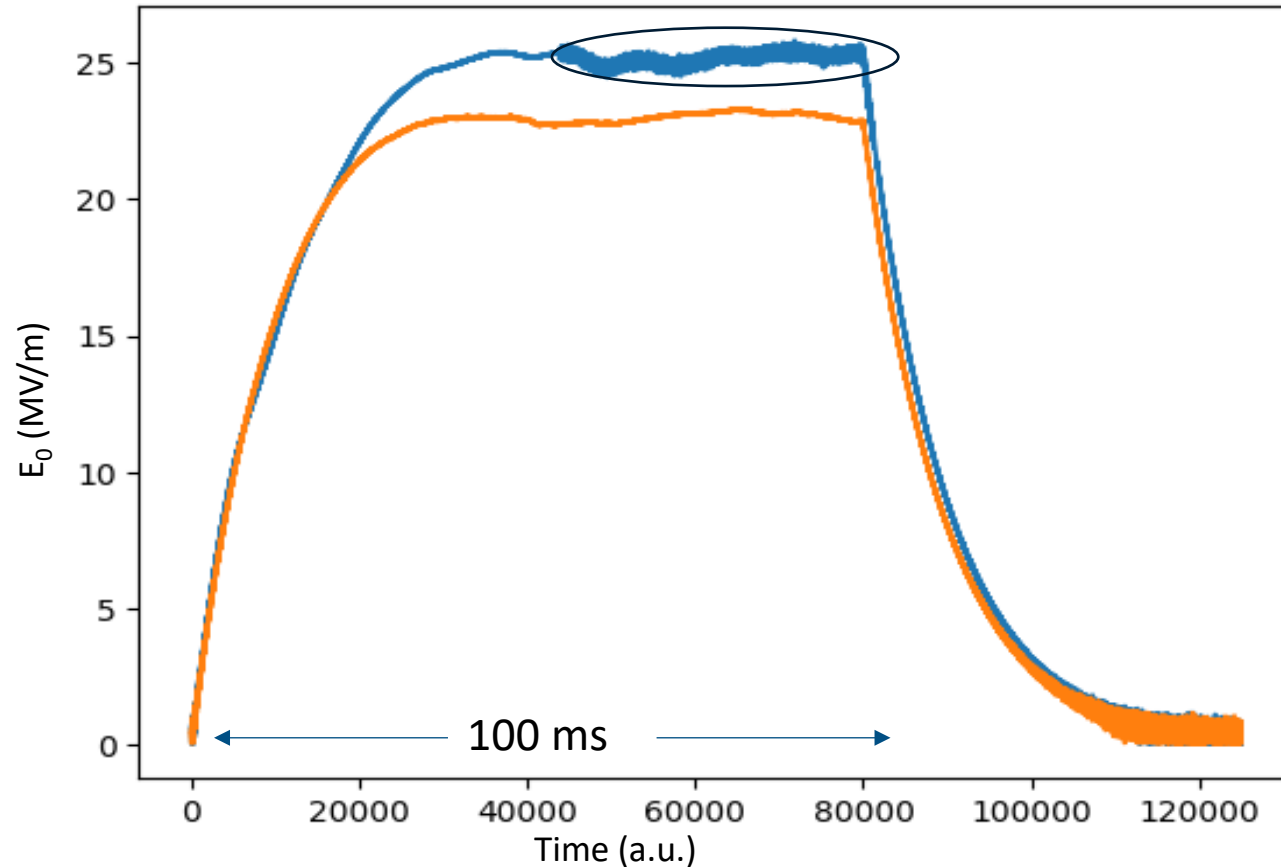
1st RF test at bERLinPro



- Successful RF test, beam energies up to 2.1 MeV
→ there is room for progress
- Field emission was present, but continuously being processed by RF
- Laser system, diagnostics, beam transport optics, beam loss monitoring (several systems) installed and ready
- Cathode transfer system in final bake out



Pulsed processing: Examples



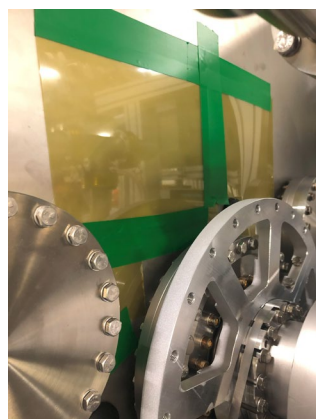
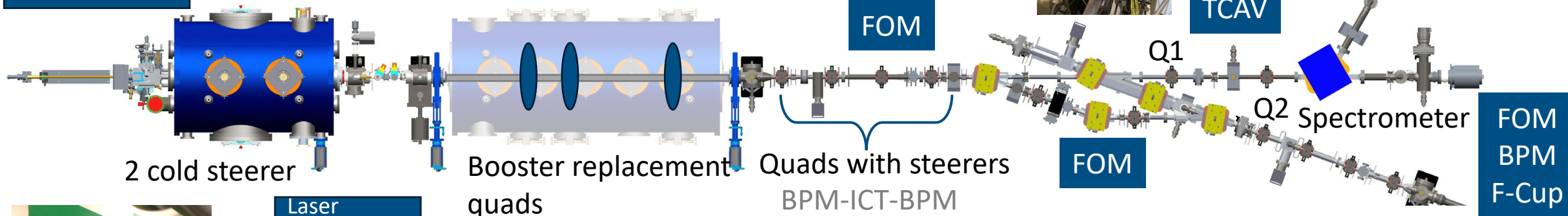
- RF processing at 1 Hz repetition rate
- Pulse length 30 and 100 ms
- Processing event at 14:35, 14th of May: Vacuum in 1st meter $2e-8$ mbar
 - Above threshold for closing gate valve in module, no alarm handler
 - Processing continued not noticing this event
 - Explains also absence of any dark current measurement by Faraday Cup
- After event higher level pulsing showed this ripple effect, stopped and took last CW curve
- Reached: CW 20 MV/m, 25 MV/m pulsed



Beam energies between 1.7 to 2.1 MeV in reach

The Commissioning Setup

Capacitive sensors
(cathode position)
HV DC bias
Cathode current



Gafchromic RTQA2 on Gun cryostat

Laser diagnostics:
Average Power
spot size and position on cathode

Pulse length
Pulse pattern



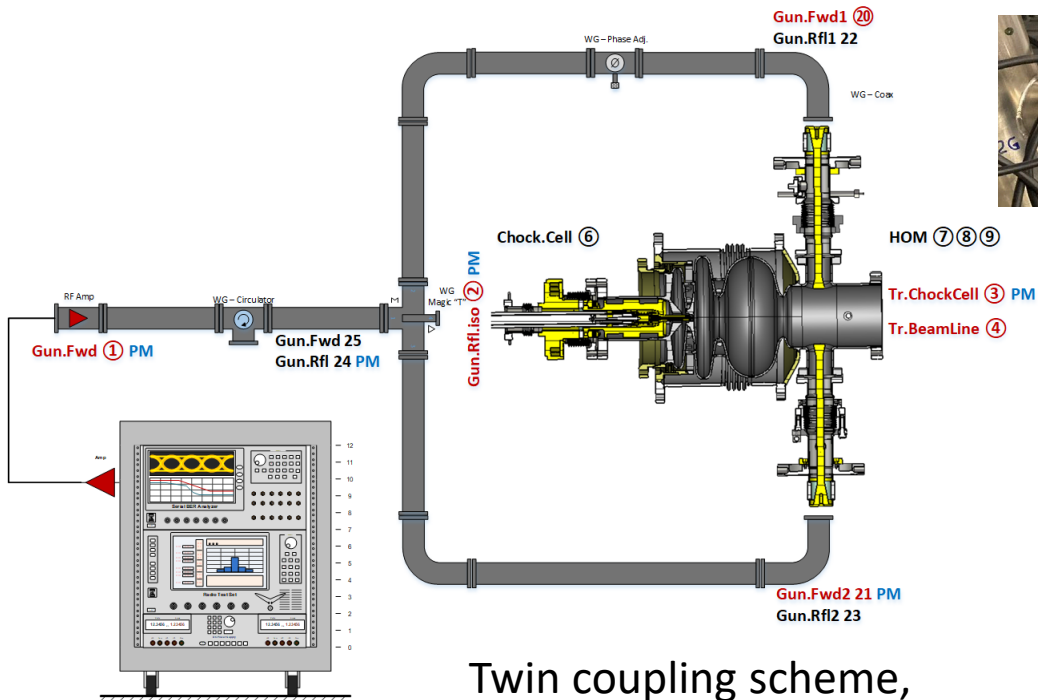
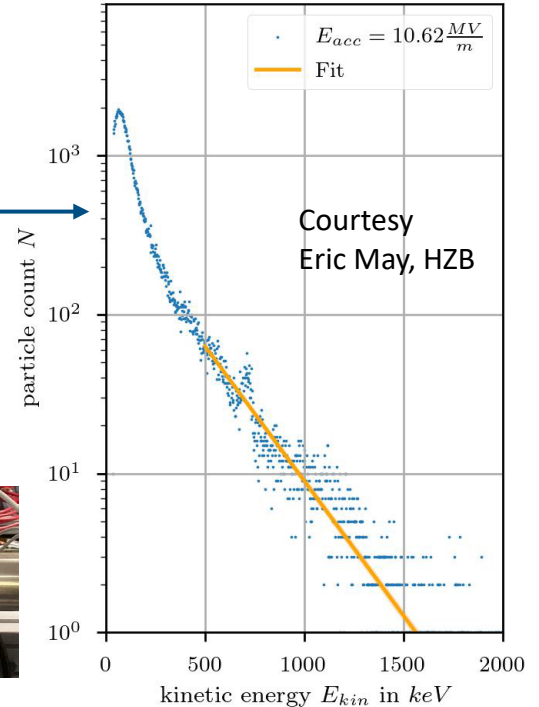
Beam loss monitors:

- PIN diode based systems
- Szintillator + PMT
- Dedicated LaBr Szintillator + PMT for energy spectrum of dark current

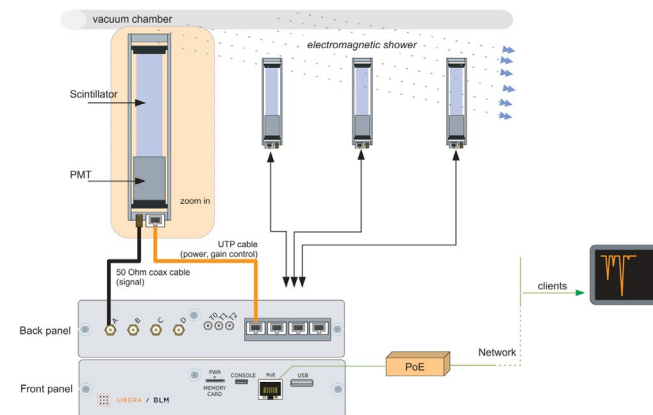


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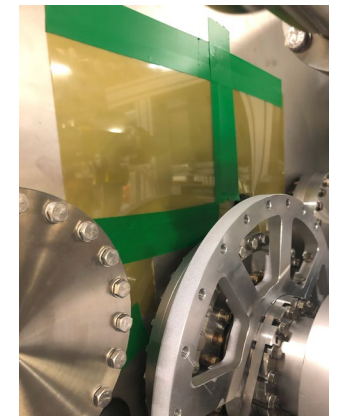
- 2nd RF test w/o cathode:
 - Demonstrate achievable field level with final installations of all beam vacuum systems
 - Measure dark current: Level, on-set field, energy range, determine source → Test beam loss monitoring system (PIN diodes, PMT based systems, Radiation sensitive films, Faraday Cup, foil monitor)
 - Determine field stability: Setup LLRF control system, twin coupler operation → Measure SRF cavity parameter for control: LF detuning, microphonics...



Twin coupling scheme, Pic courtesy A. Ushakov, HZB



<https://www.i-tech.si/products/libera-blm/>

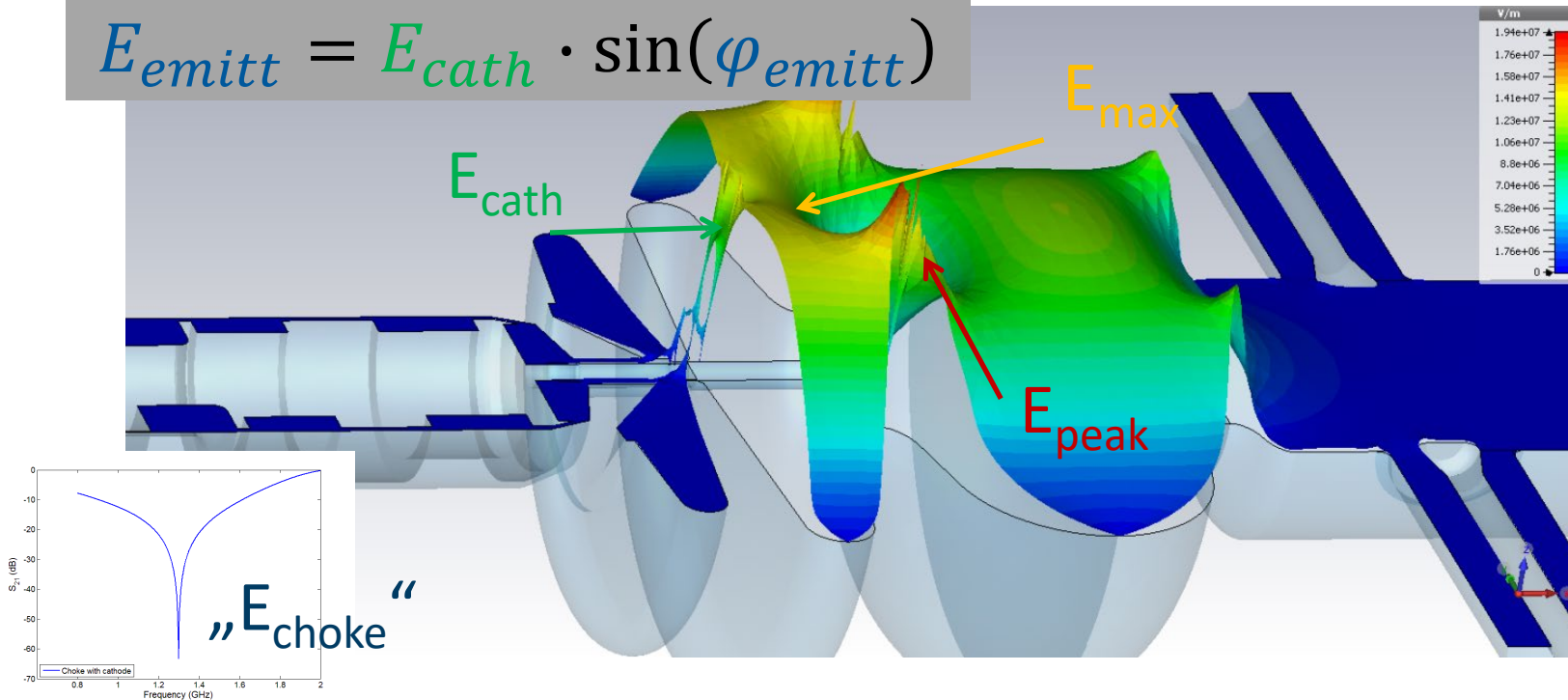


Gafchromic RTQA2 on Gun cryostat

First Commissioning steps

- 2nd RF test **with cathode**:
 - Demonstrate **achievable field** level with uncoated cathode → Measure **position** of cathode w.r.t. backwall: Impact on dark current, beam focusing, emission phase → Longitudinal and transverse beam dynamics.....training of cathode transfer into SRF gun
 - Measure dark current: Level, on-set field, energy range, determine source → How to handle **co-propagating dark current**, how to separate further down-stream?
 - Determine impact on cathode inserted on **RF heating of cathode** → adjust position
Multipacting observed? DC bias as countermeasure → Impacts low field beam dynamics
 - Measure eventually microphonics by cathode insert

$$E_{emitt} = E_{cath} \cdot \sin(\varphi_{emitt})$$



- E_{emitt} : Beam emittance
- E_{max} : Beam energy
- E_{cath} : Beam emittance and level of dark current, eventually multipacting

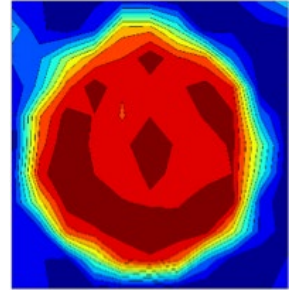
→ High current ERL issue:

Balance Beam quality vs. dark current

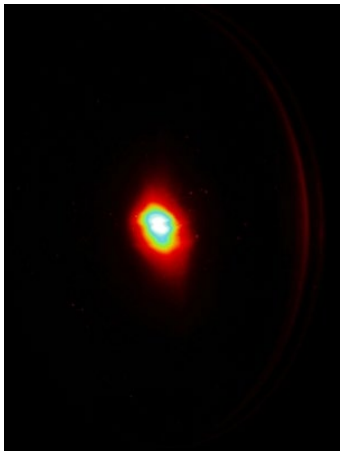
Beam losses all within power limit by high power operation

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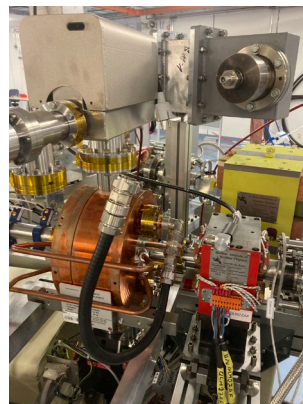
- **Cathode operation:**
 - Characterisation of cathode: Measure first beam, cathode quantum efficiency, QE maps
→ Cathode lifetime QE(t)
 - Determine zero phase \leftrightarrow on-crest phase, field calibration check
 - Measure dark current: Level, on-set field, energy range, determine source
→ How to handle **co-propagating dark current**, how to separate further down-stream?
- Measure multi-parameter beam phase space:
 - Beam based alignment of machine (Solenoid, steerer)
Beam emittance vs. field level, emission phase, cathode position, pulse length, etc...
 - Longitudinal beam phase space: Bunch length studies, short beam studies (TCav)
- Impact of field stability on beam parameter: Jitter studies, beam based feedback



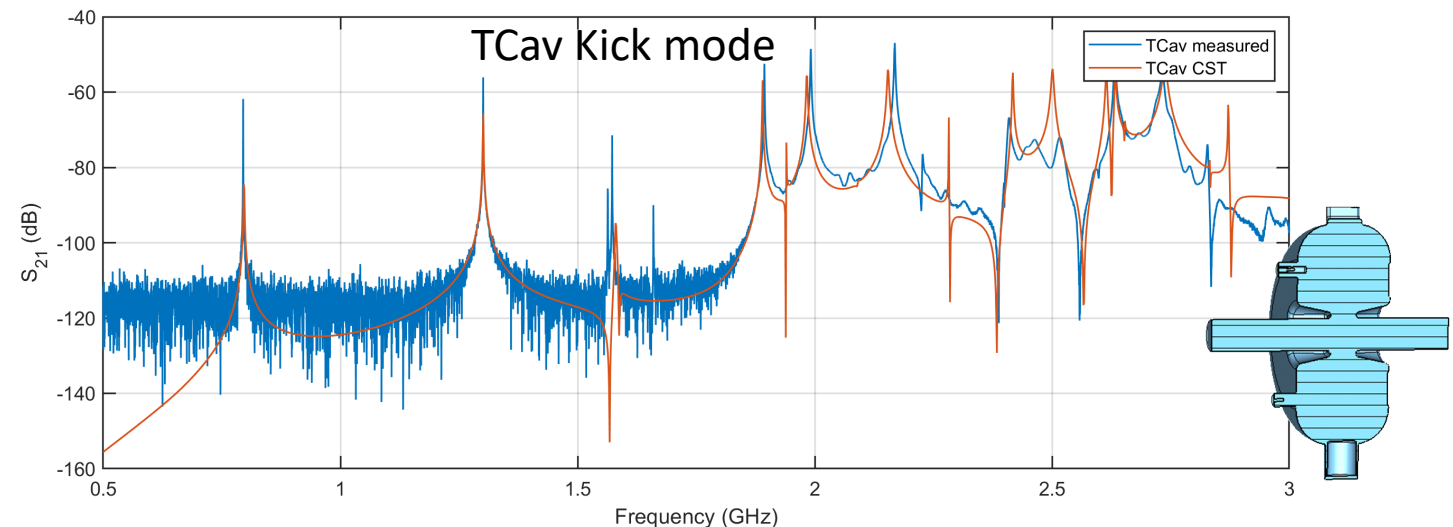
J. Kühn et al., IPAC 18
Cu cathode QE map



A. Neumann et al., IPAC 11
First beam from fully SRF gun with lead cathode

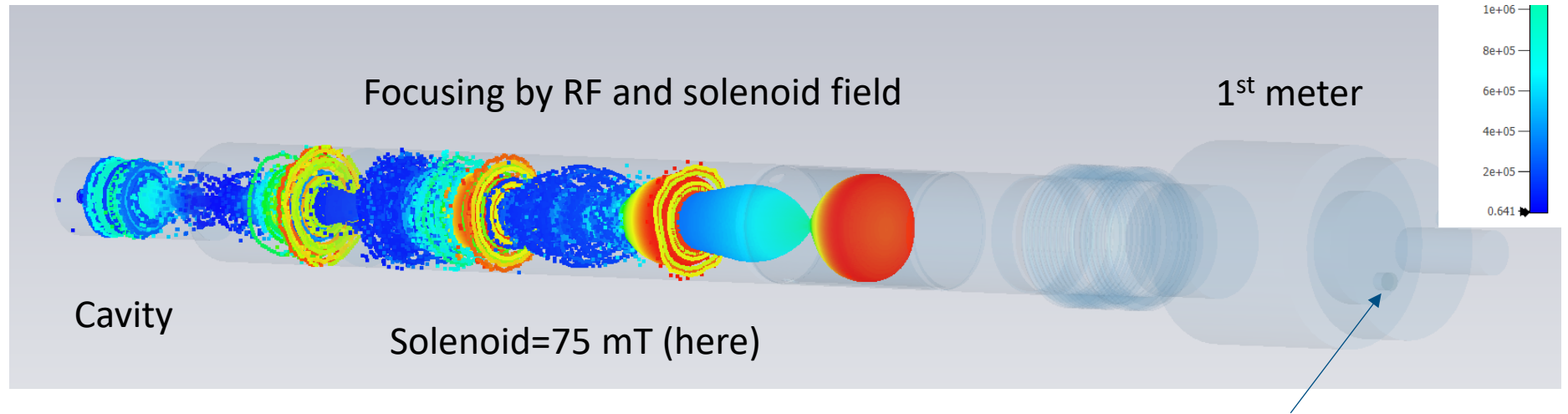
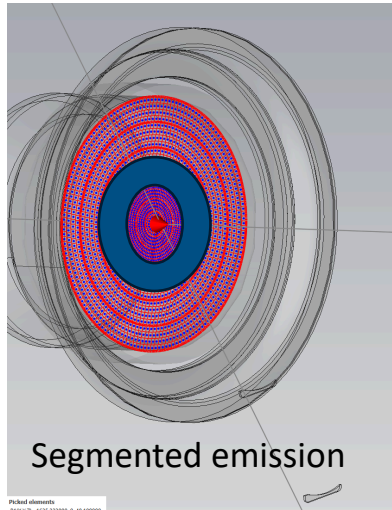


Tcav: see Linac 18
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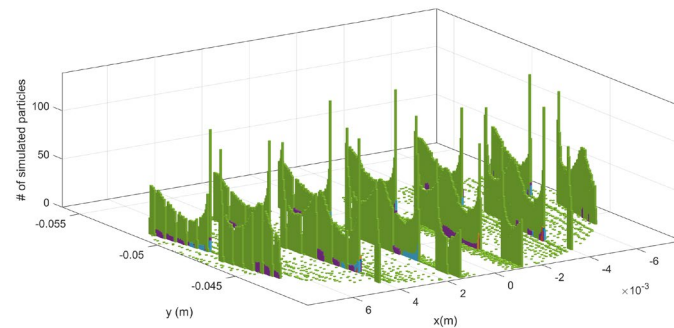
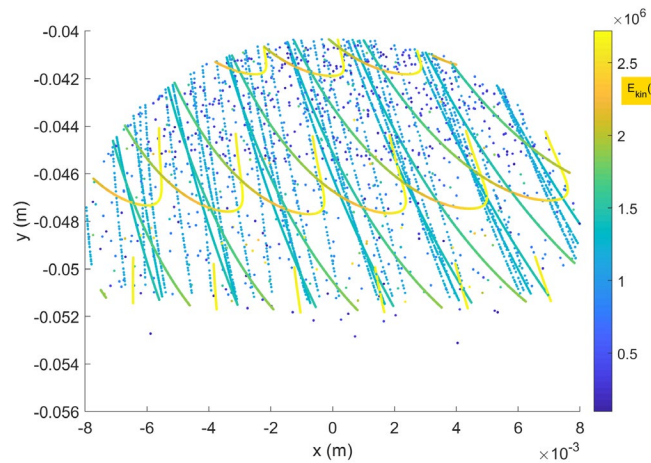


Field emission by cathode on laser windows

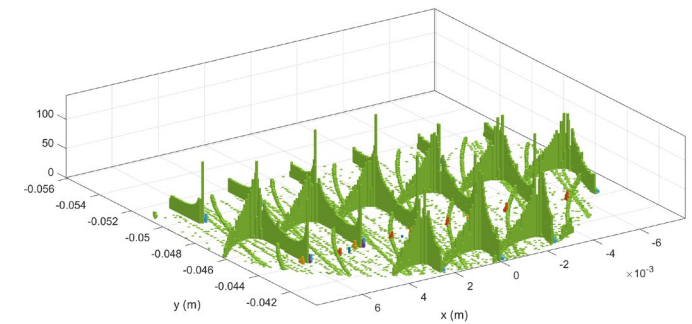
Some parameters: $E_0=20$ MV/m, elevated field in half cell, Solenoid off, 37 mT, 75 mT



Fowler-Nordheim field emission model



Solenoid off



Solenoid 37 mT

bERLinPro@SEALAB injector studies

Parameter	Injector / UED	ERL
Beam energy (MeV)	6.5 – 10 / 2	50
Max. average current (mA)	10 / 0.0025	100
Bunch charge (pC)	0.05 – 400	77
RF Frequency (MHz)	1300	1300
Norm. Emittance (mm mrad)	0.6 / 0.03	1 (0.6)
RMS bunch length (ps)	0.02 – 2	2 (0.1)

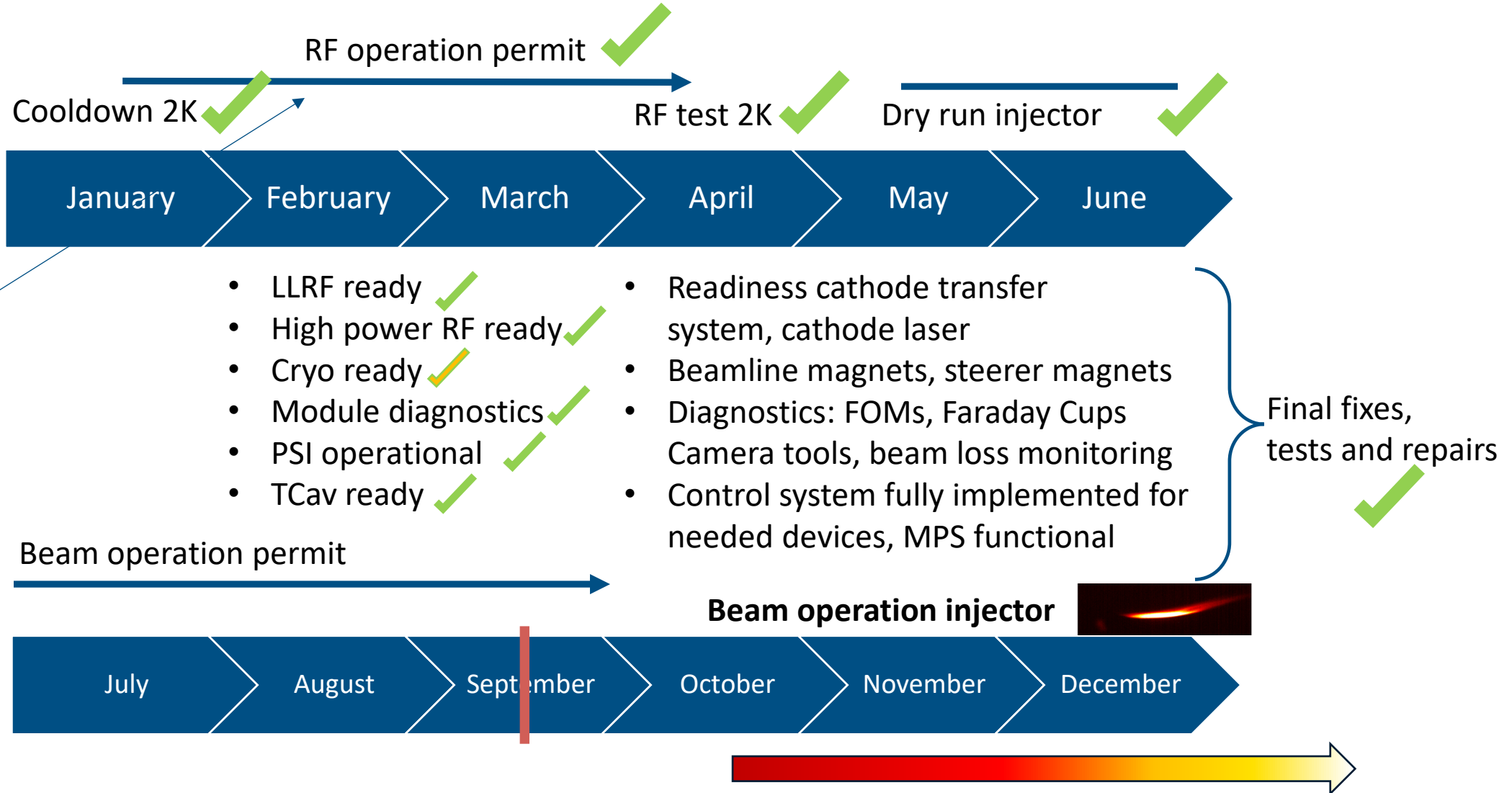
Funded: SRF gun/booster ops & UED mode

Not funded: 100-mA CW gun cavity + couplers
+ LINAC module (existing design)

Medium-power gun (20kW) / booster program

- Explore full parameter space of SRF injector @ $I_b < 10$ mA
- 100 mA can be potentially studied in long-pulse* regime
- Bunch charge up to 0.5 nC with a high QE cathode
- Proof of cathode exchange concept, test of more robust cathode materials: Replace Cs by Na
- Studies of beam loss scenarios by dark current or beam halo formation by bunch tails
- Propagation of beam and unwanted beam from injector to dump
- Beam loss monitoring and machine protection concepts
- High dynamic range diagnostic concepts for low-current start-up to high-power operation ($< \mu\text{A} \rightarrow \text{mA} \rightarrow 100 \text{ mA}^*$)
- Beam arrival time and jitter studies
- Digital twins, ML+AI assisted control methods

A coarse 2024 schedule



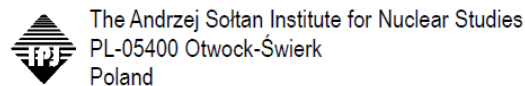
- Setup Laser
- Setup transfer system
- Check for beam condition: FOMS, magnets,...

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*If there is time left, questions are welcome or contact me at
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Please check Emily's, Nick's and Thorsten's talks for more about bERLinPro related topics, visit Andriy's poster as well!

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