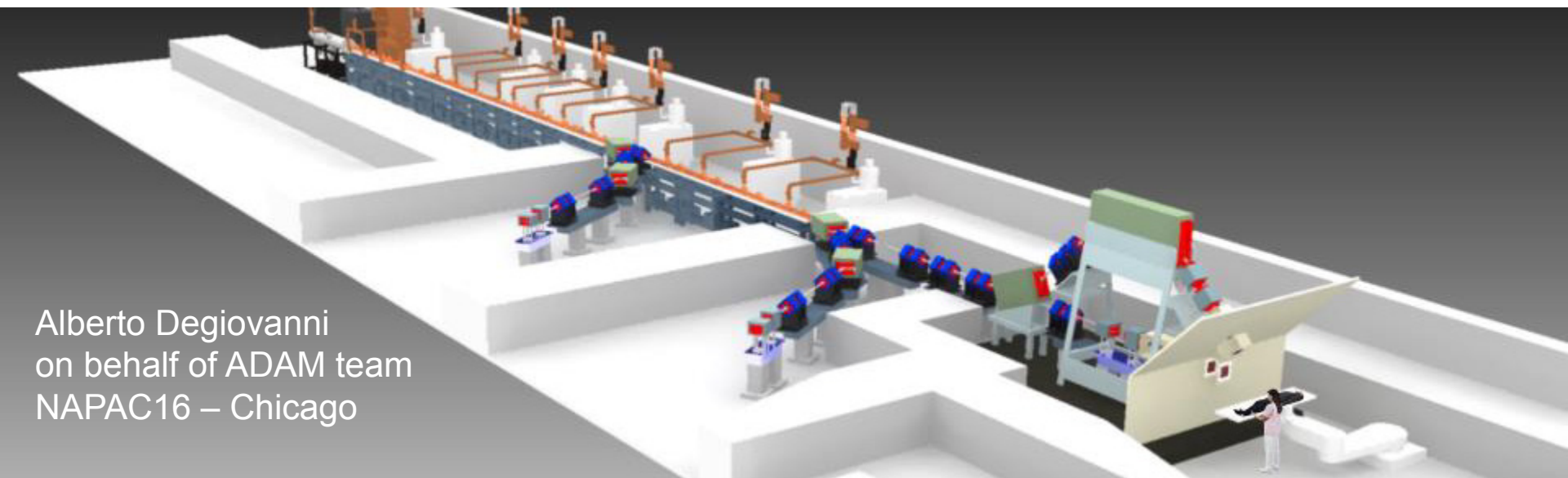




LIGHT: a Linear Accelerator for Proton Therapy

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ADAM - Company's History

- **A.D.A.M. SA (Application of Detectors and Accelerators to Medicine)** is a CERN spin-off, based inside CERN
- ADAM was founded in Dec 2007 by a private investor (A. Colussi) to develop, build and test accelerators for medical applications

Between 2008 and 2012 :

- two compact accelerators for conventional radiotherapy (X-eye and IORT)
- one dosimeter (based on CMS silicon detectors)
- one unit of a linear accelerator (called LIGHT) - for proton therapy

In 2013 the UK company AVO (listed on the market) bought ADAM, now involved in the construction of the full LIGHT accelerator



In Geneva: (Experimental Facility)

- Physics
- Mechanical Engineer
- RF
- Control System
- Regulatory
- Beam Diagnostic
- Health & Safety

In London:

- Finance
- Procurement
- Manufacturing
- Business development
- HR
- IP
- Regulatory

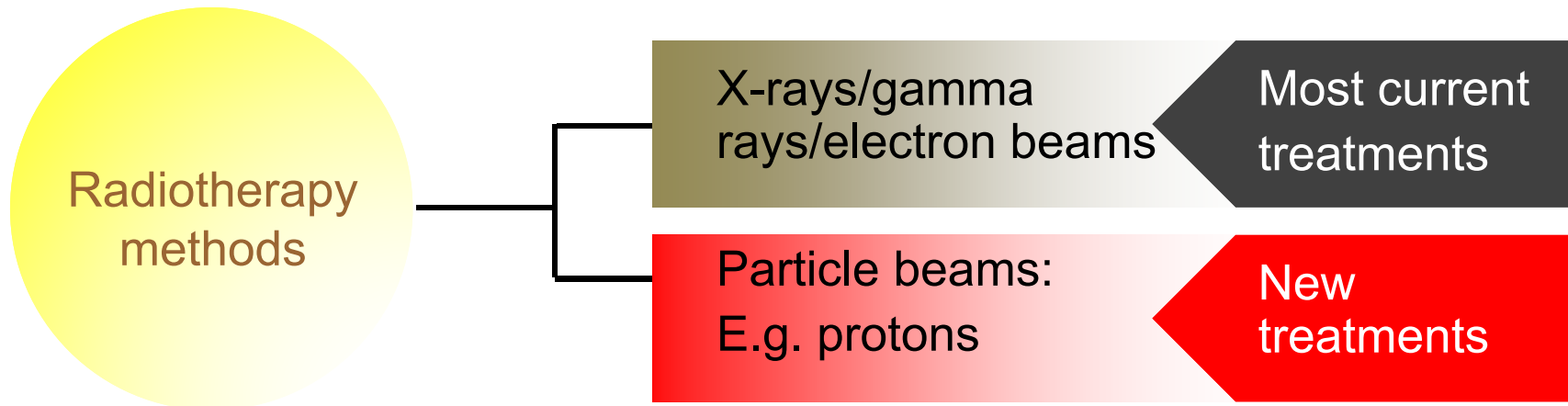
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Outline of the talk

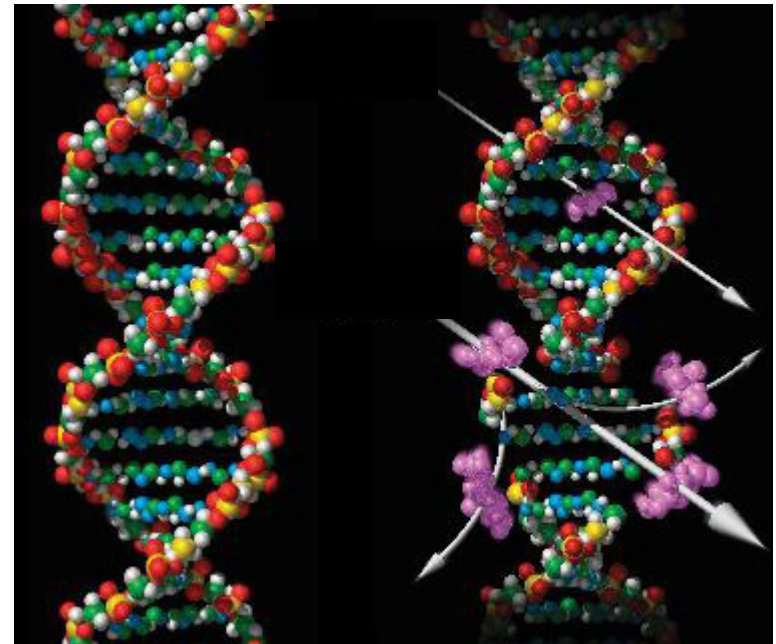
- **Introduction**
 - Proton therapy
 - Accelerators for proton therapy
- **Overview of the LIGHT system**
- **“Technology transfer” into the LIGHT proton therapy system**
- **Integration and commissioning**
- **Conclusion**



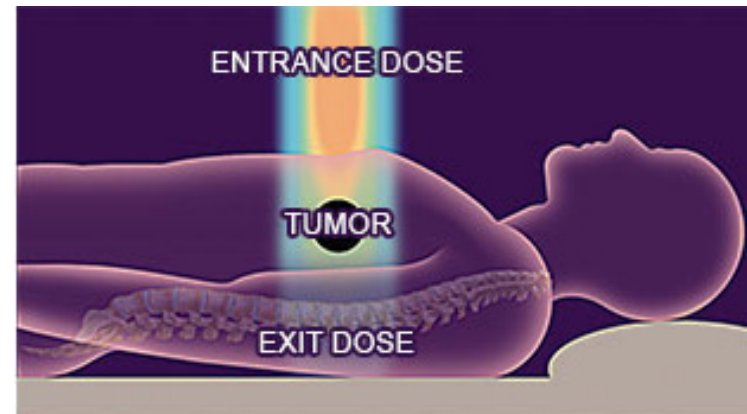
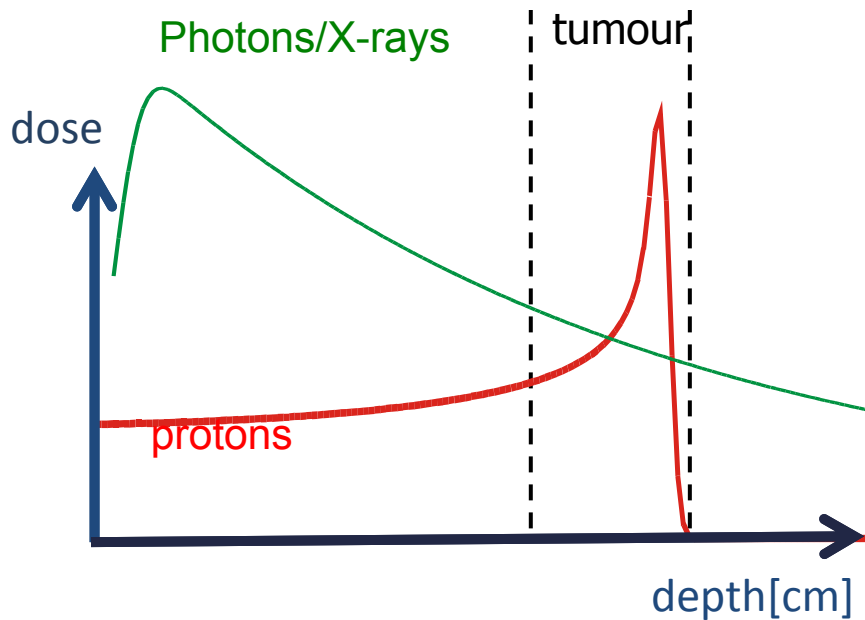
Radiation therapy



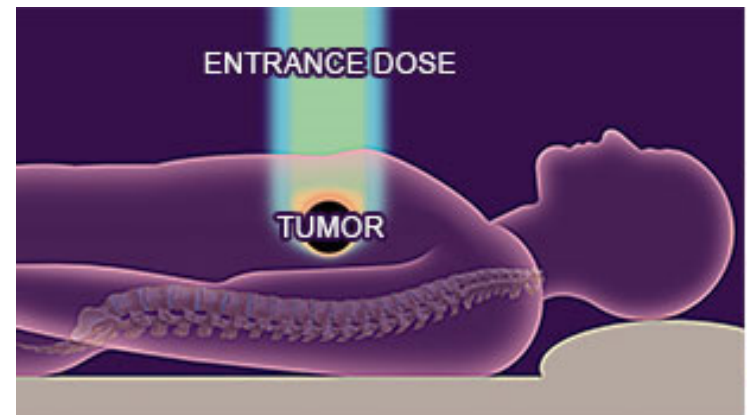
- Radiation can break the DNA of the cells they collide with
- Healthy cells get damaged too...
- **Advantage of protons (see next)**
 - Stop and loose dose in **well-localized** position
 - They are charged (can be steered with magnetic field)



Why use protons for radiotherapy?



CONVENTIONAL RADIATION THERAPY:
Deposits most energy before target



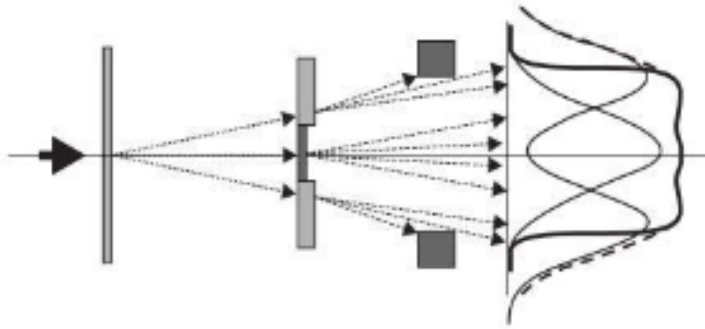
TARGETED PROTON THERAPY:
Deposits most energy on target

- Dose to close-by organs-at-risk is much lower with protons than with photons!
→ Better quality of life after treatment (less side-effects), and less chance for developing secondary cancer

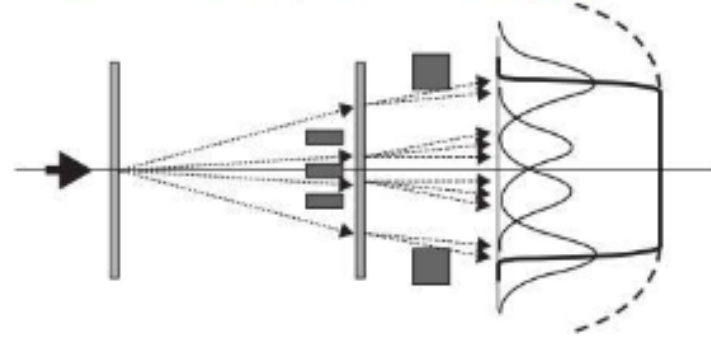
Dose delivery techniques

- Passive beam spreading or scattering technique

Double Scattering with dual ring

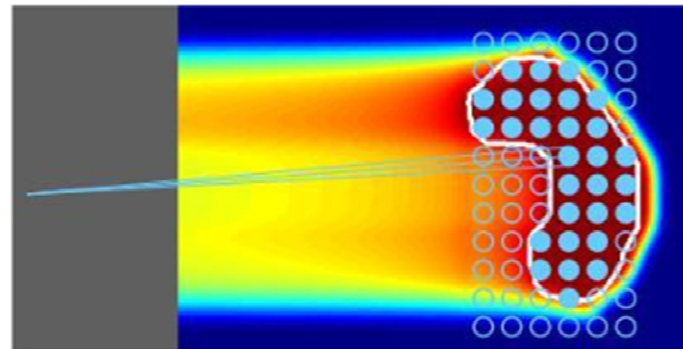


Double Scattering with occluding ring



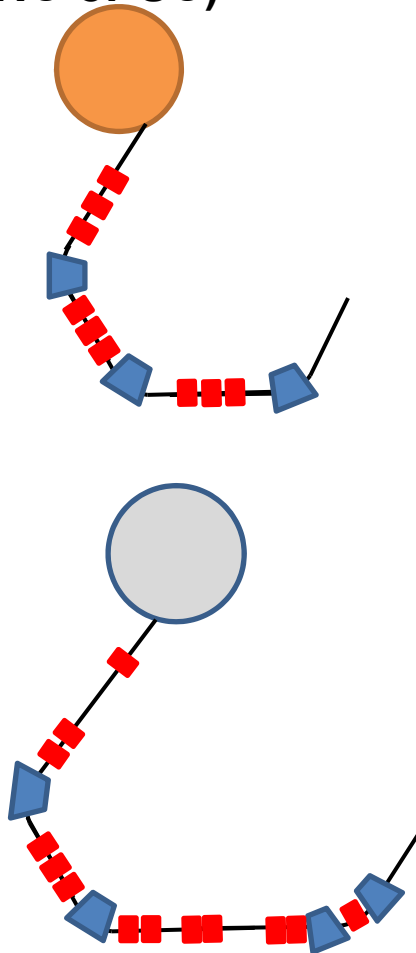
- Pencil beam scanning or 'spot' scanning

70-230 MeV
~1 nA

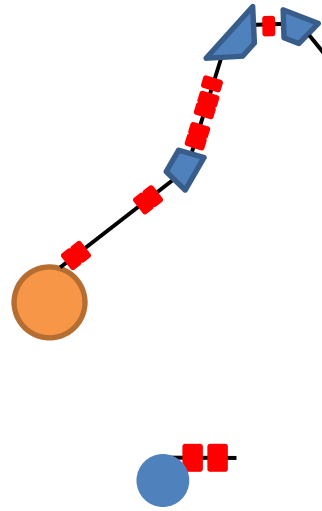


Accelerators for Proton Therapy

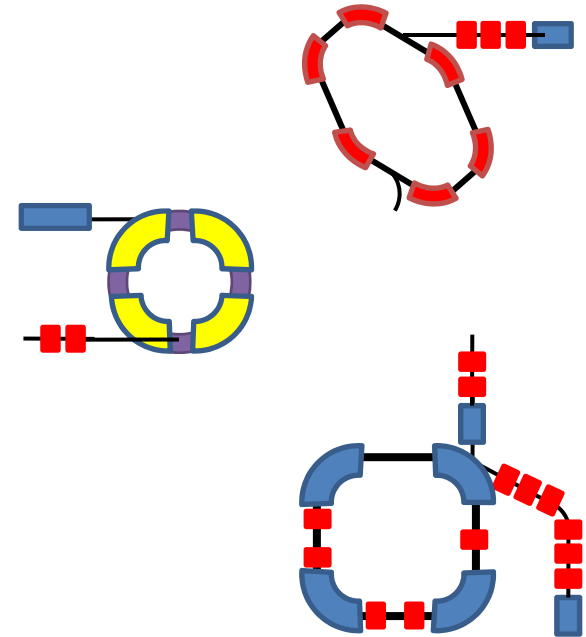
Isochronous cyclotrons (NC or SC)



Synchro-cyclotrons

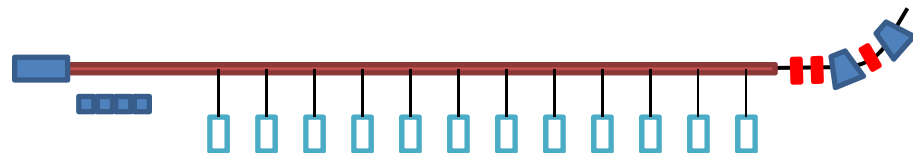


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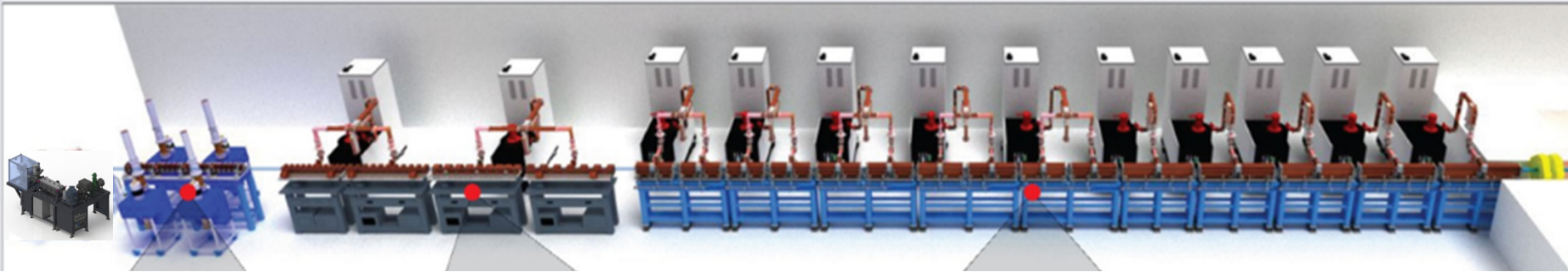


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2 m

Linac (NC)



A linac for protontherapy



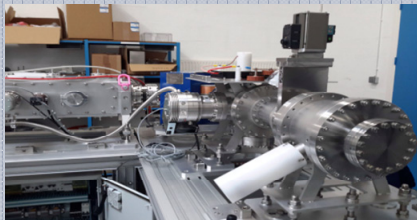
LIGHT =
Linac for Image Guided Hadron Therapy

LIGHT features for proton therapy

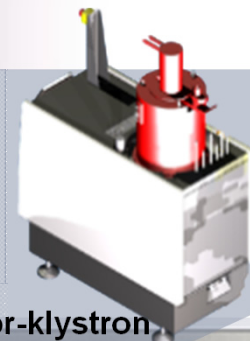
- Active energy modulation → no absorber and degrader
- Pulsed beam at 200 Hz → intensity and energy modulation in 5 ms
- Small beam emittance → small magnets aperture
- Almost no losses! → reduced shielding

→ beam suited for 3D spot scanning

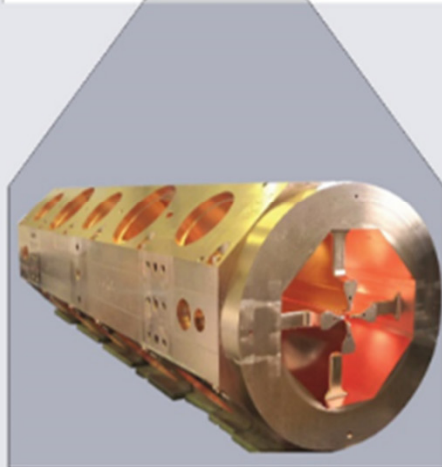
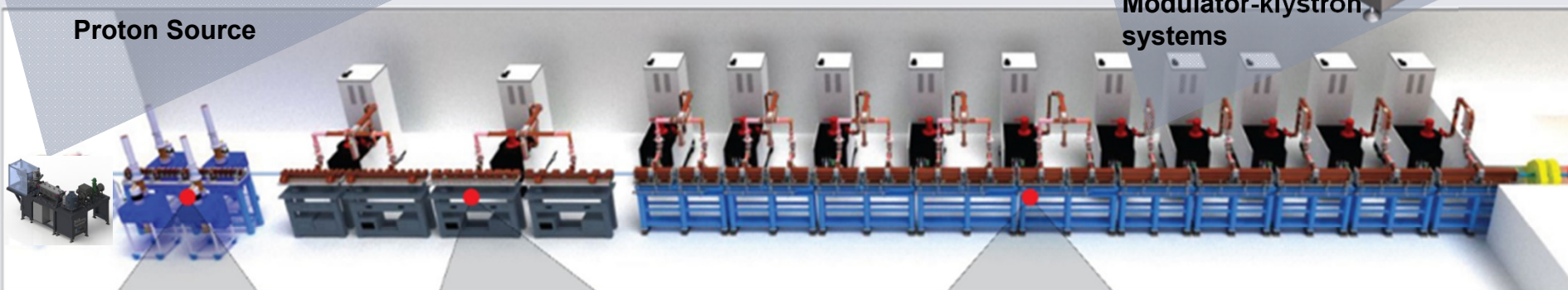
LIGHT overview



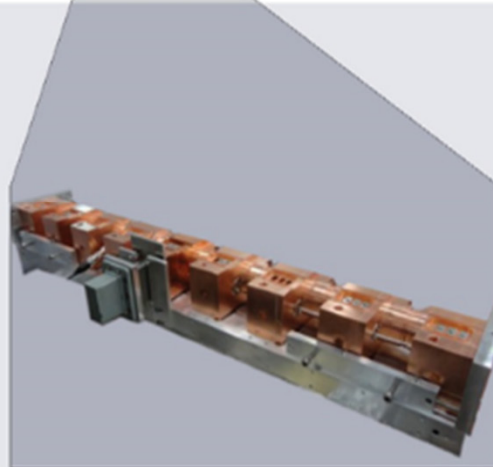
Proton Source



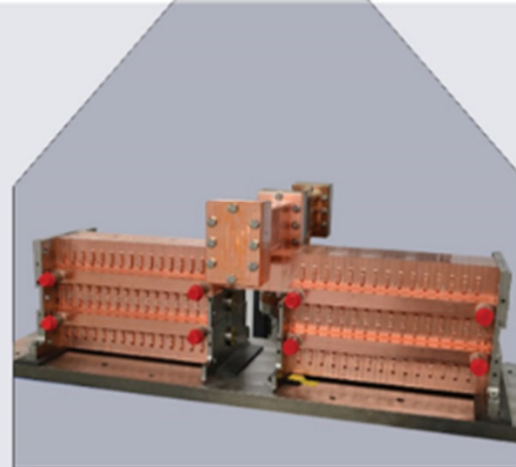
Modulator-klystron systems



Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ)



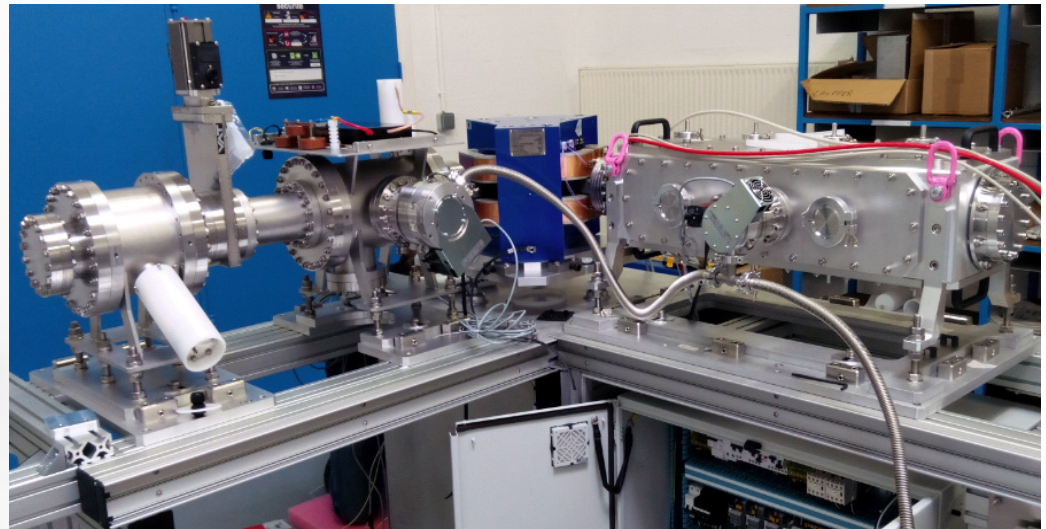
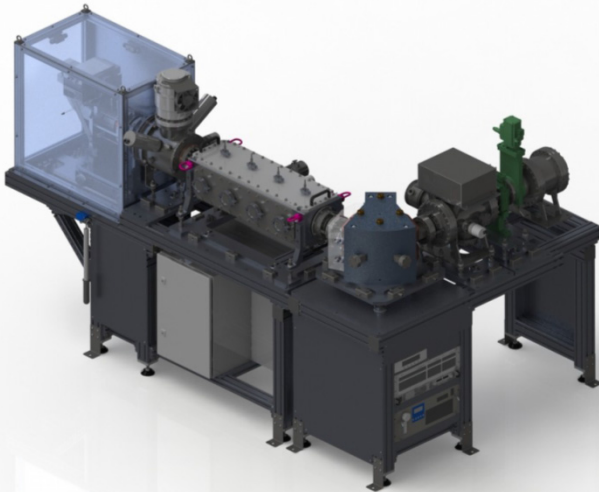
Side Coupled Drift Tube Linac (SCDTL)



Coupled Cavity Linac (CCL)

The proton source

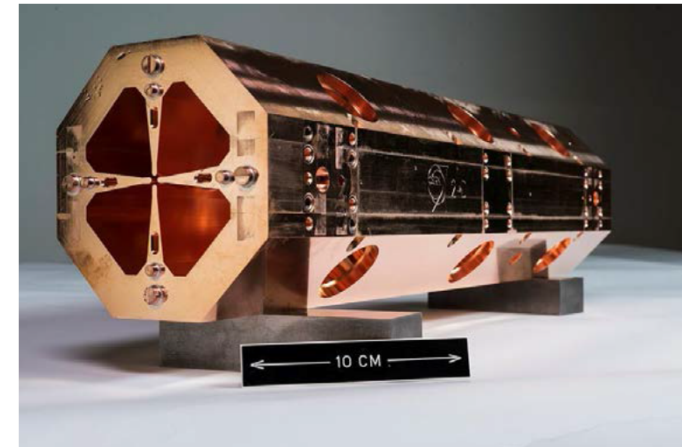
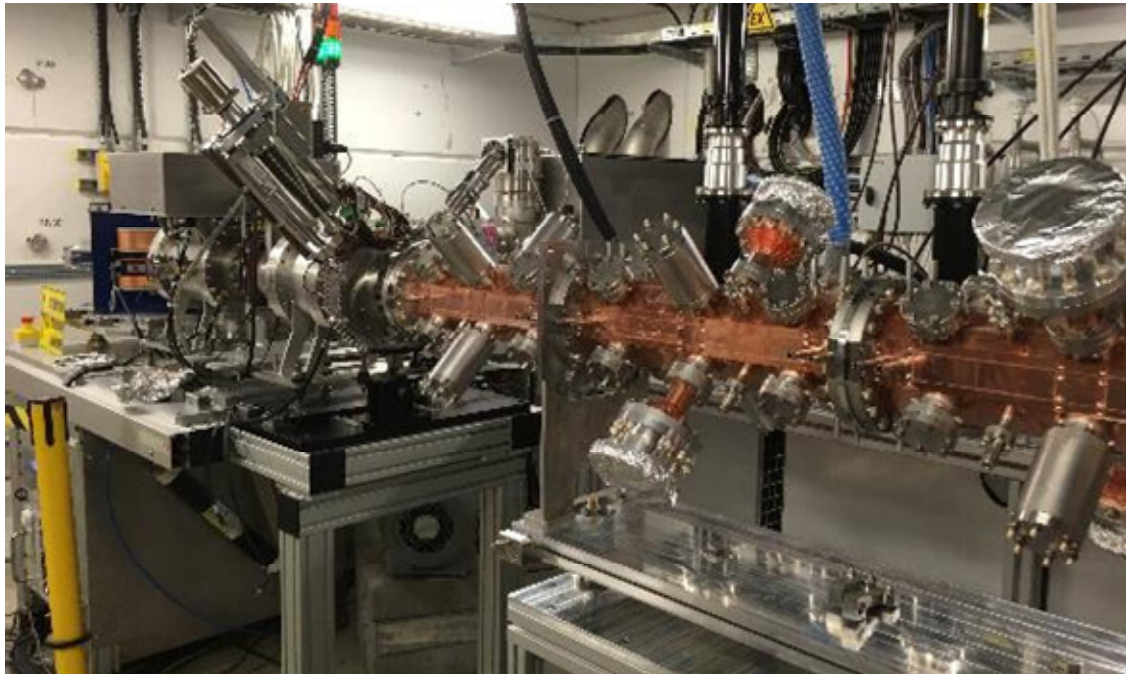
- Proton source:
 - MONO 1000 ECRIS (Pantechnik)
 - RF frequency 2.45 GHz
 - chopped at 200 Hz
 - 300 -1 μ A



The Radio Frequency Quadrupole

- High frequency RFQ designed by CERN
 - 4 vanes type
 - 750 MHz
 - 4 modules - 2 m
 - 5 MeV energy gain

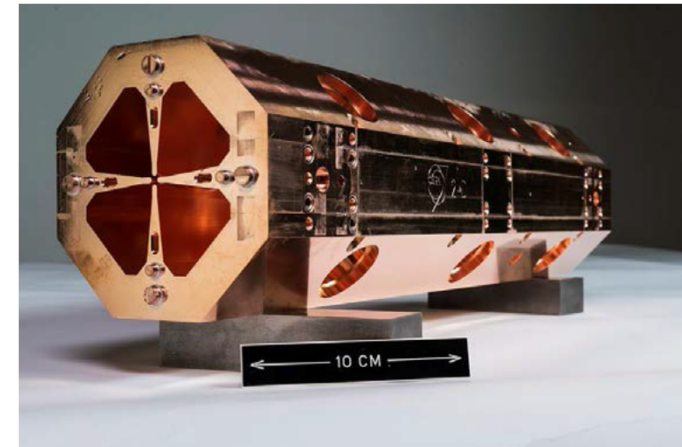
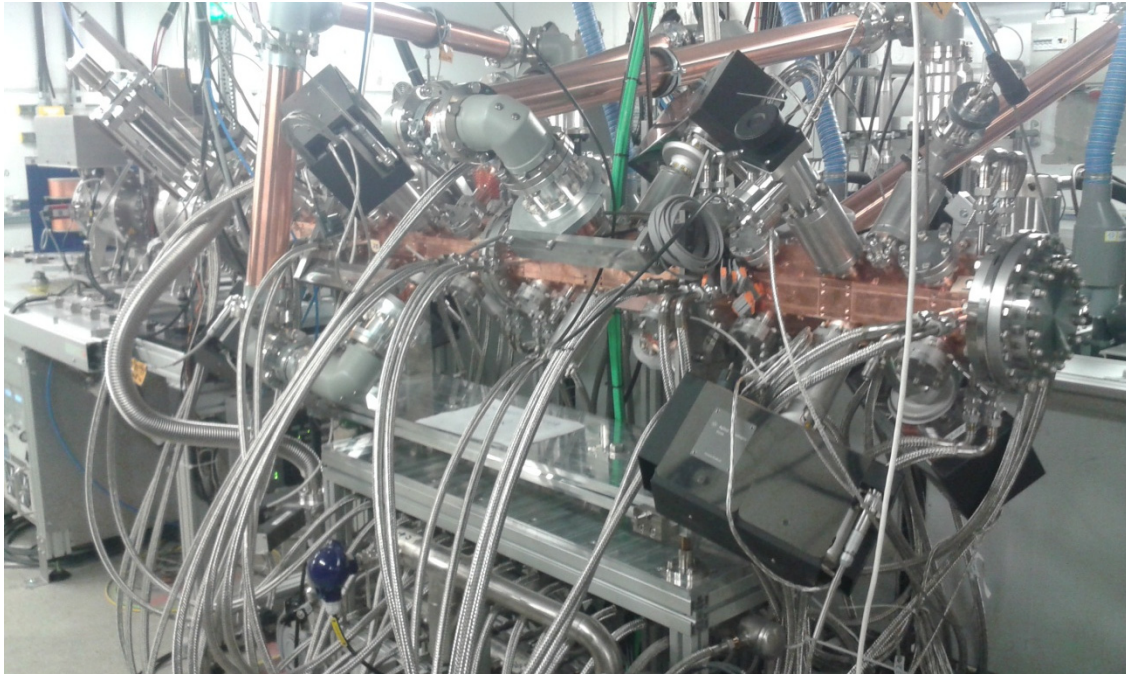
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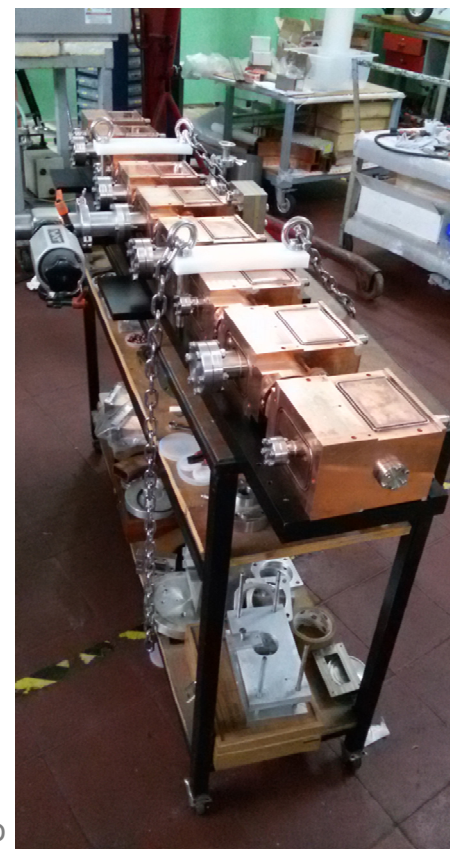
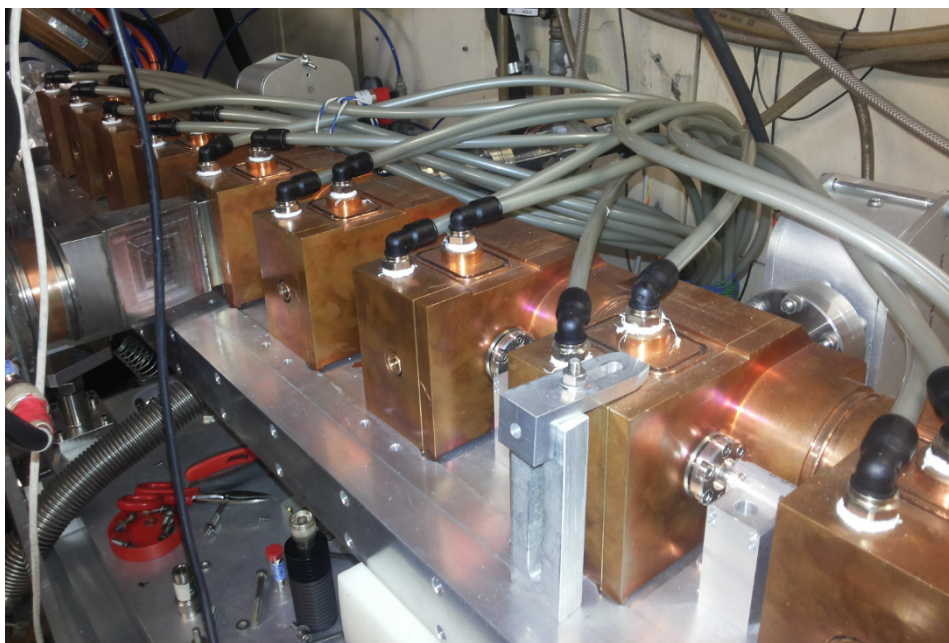
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The Side Coupled Drift Tube Linac

- Designed by ENEA (Frascati, I)
- Manufactured at TSC/VDL
 - SCDTL3 (TSC)
 - SCDTL1, SCDTL2, SCDTL4 (VDL)

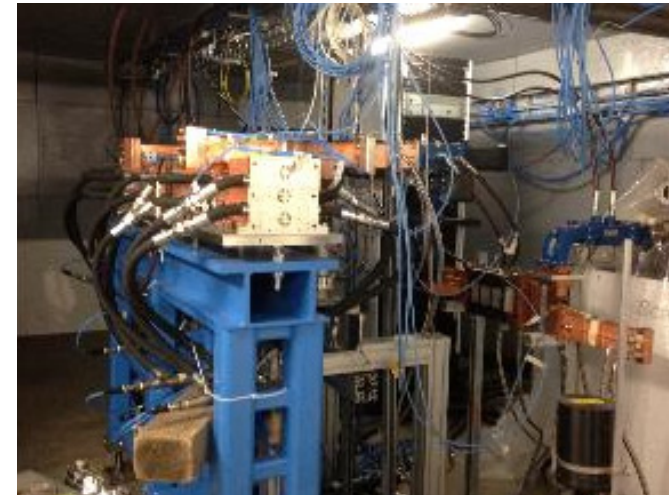
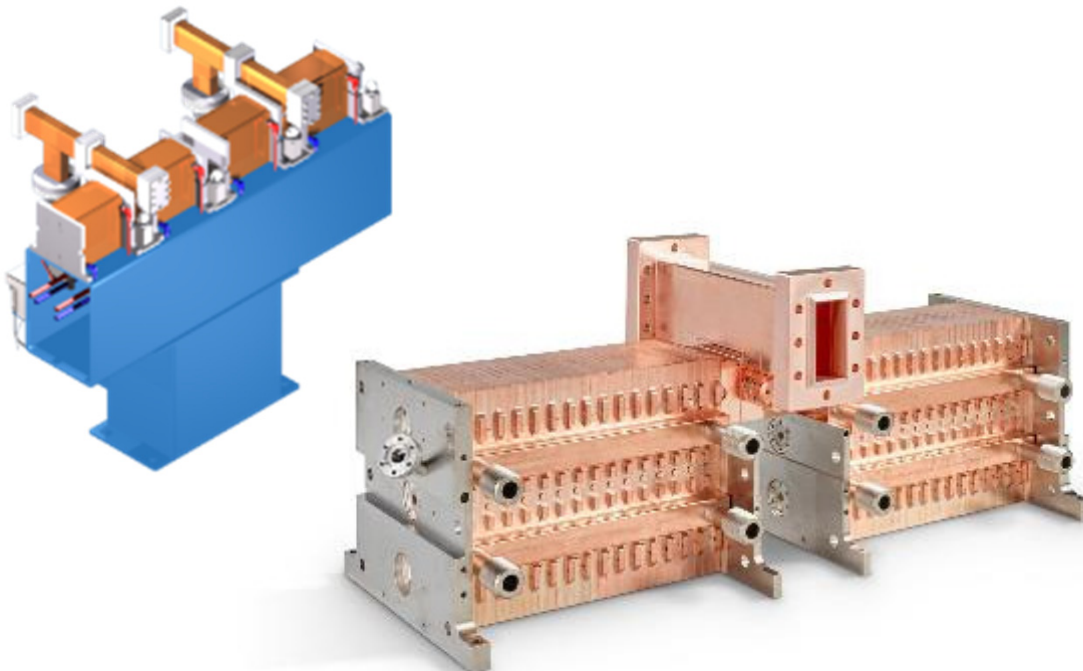
Section	SCDTL
RF frequency [GHz]	2.998
Energy [MeV]	5-37.5
Length [m]	6.2



The Coupled Cavity Linac

- Designed by ADAM
- Manufactured by VDL
- 4 modules already in the bunker (conditioned)
- All remaining modules in production

Section	CCL
RF frequency [GHz]	2.998
Energy [MeV]	37.5-230
Length [m]	15.5



The RF Power System

- Commercial modulator and klystron systems



SCANDINOVA Modulator

Parameter	Value
Pulse Voltage	155 KV
Pulse Current	110 A
Pulse Rep. Rate	5 to 200 Hz
Pulse Length (top)	0.5 to 5 μ sec
Pulse Flatness (top)	<1%

Toshiba Klystron

Parameter	Value
Frequency	2998.5 MHz
Peak RF Drive Power	120 W
Peak RF Output Power	7.5 MW
Gain	48 dB
Pulse Width (RF Out P.)	5 μ sec

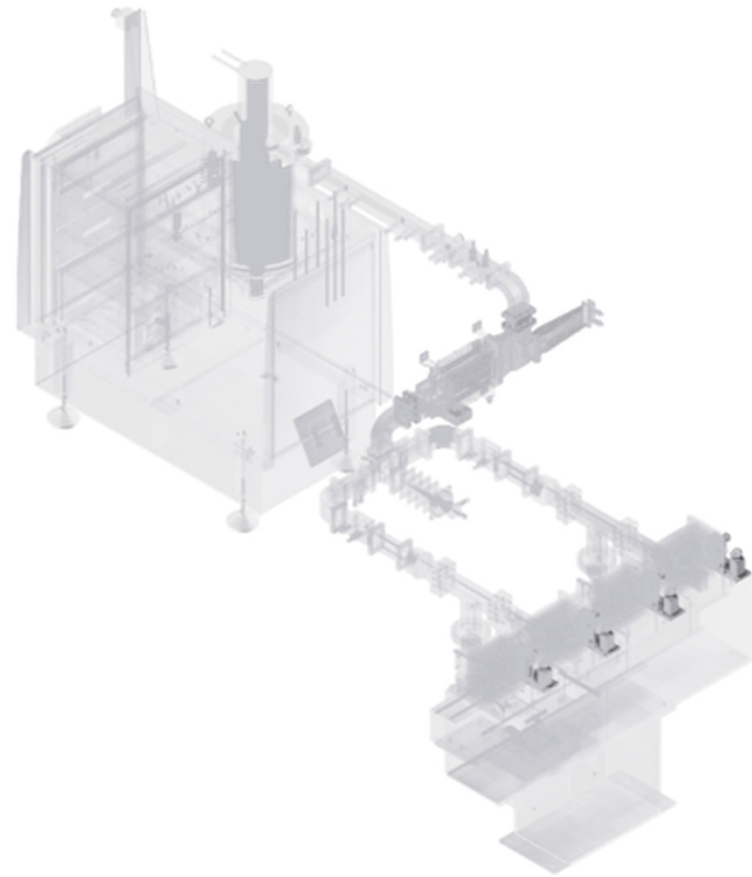
LIGHT: RF Power System installation



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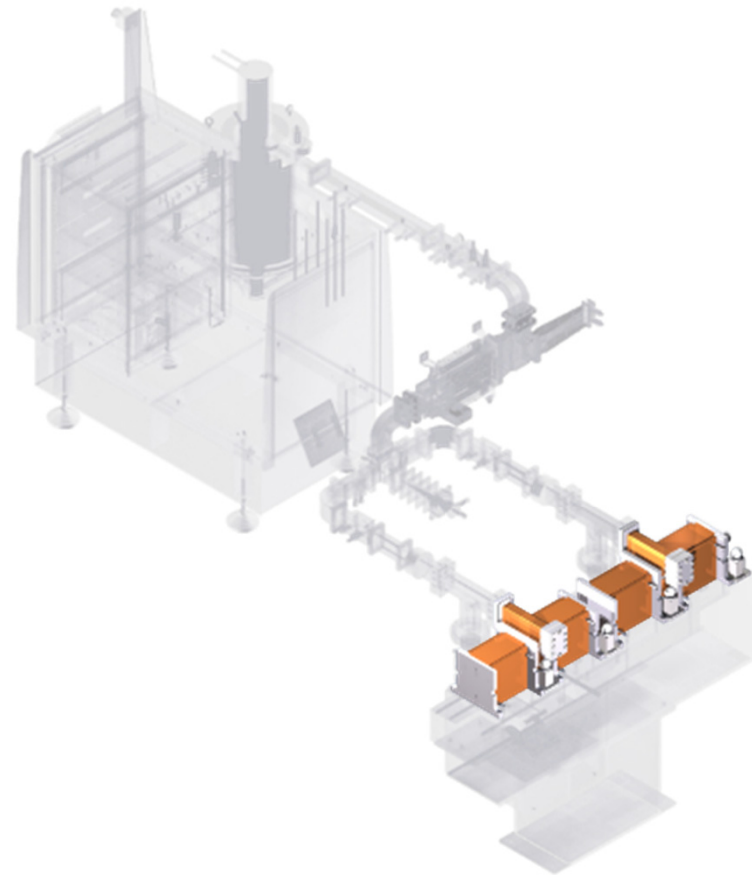
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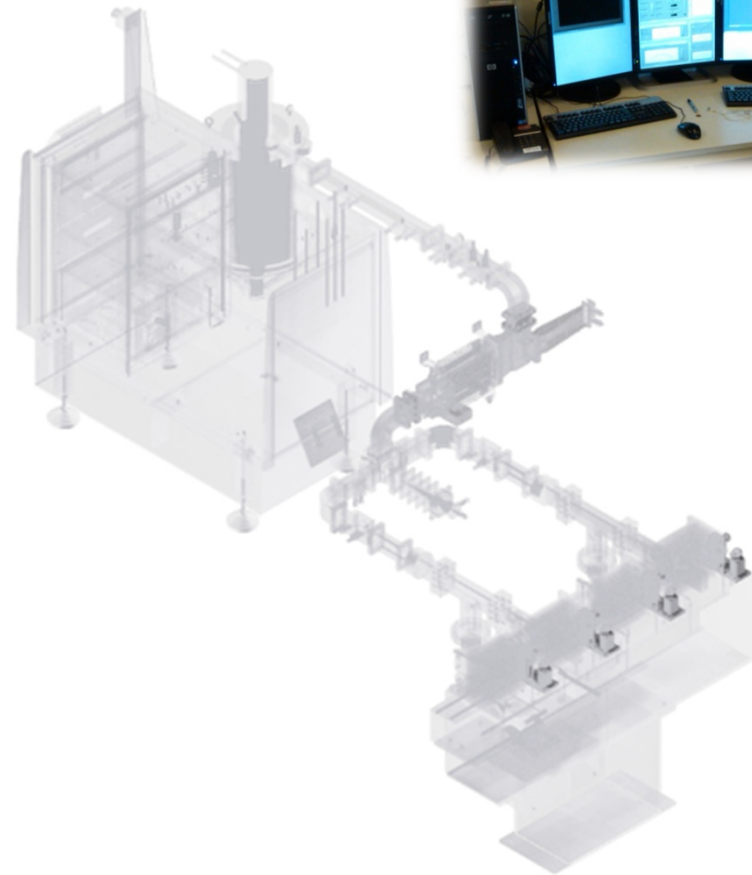
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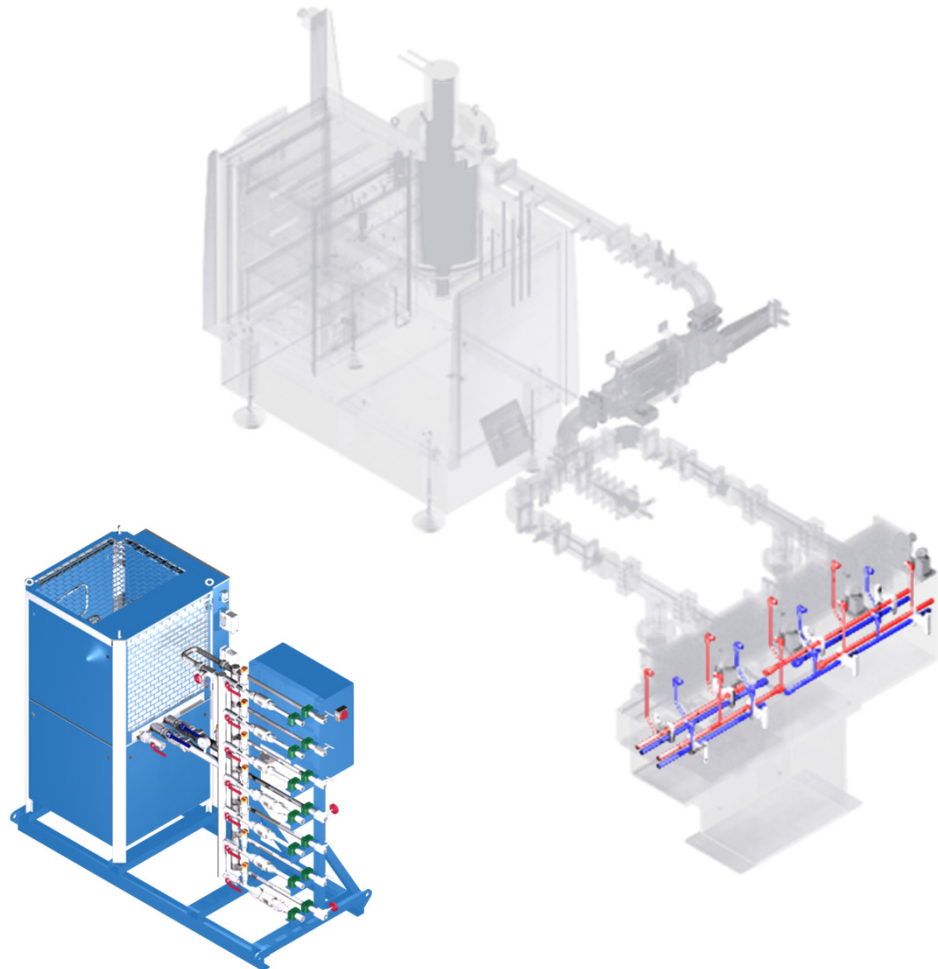
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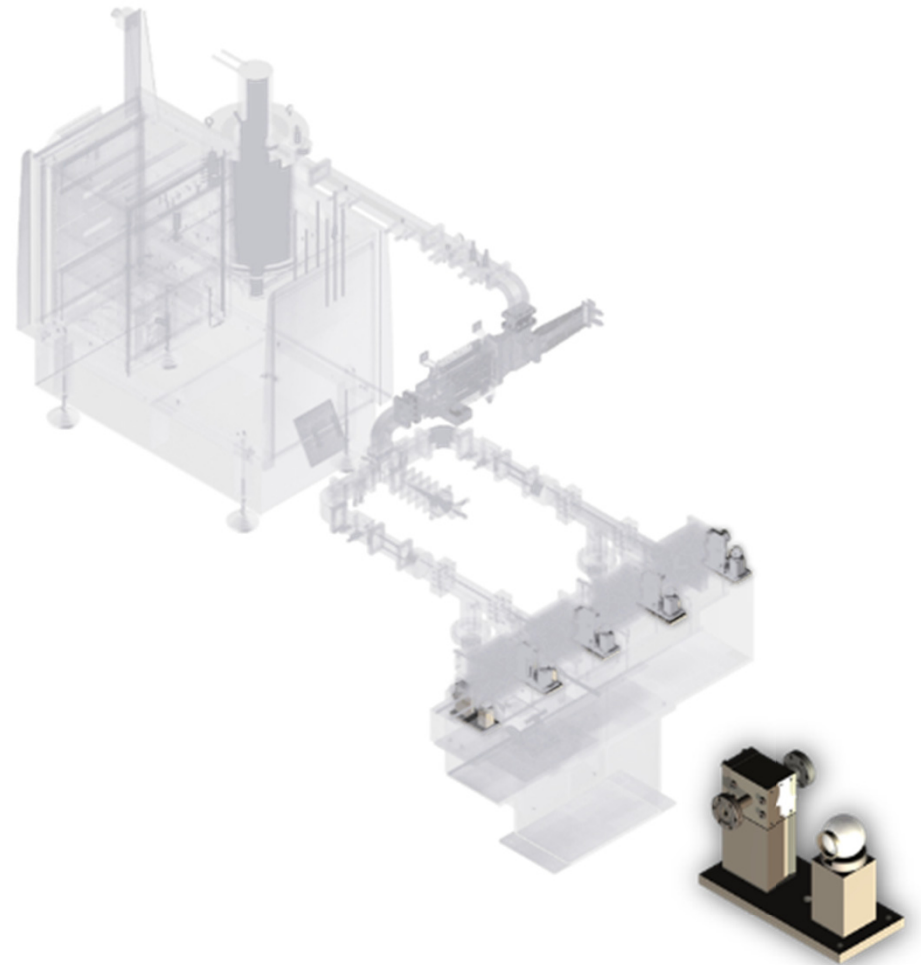
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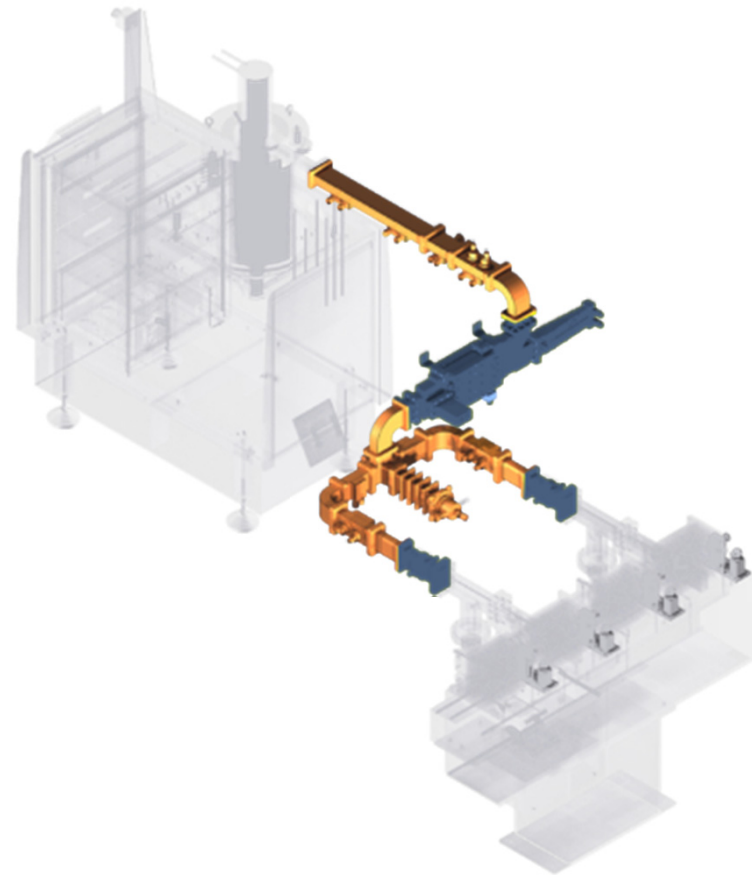
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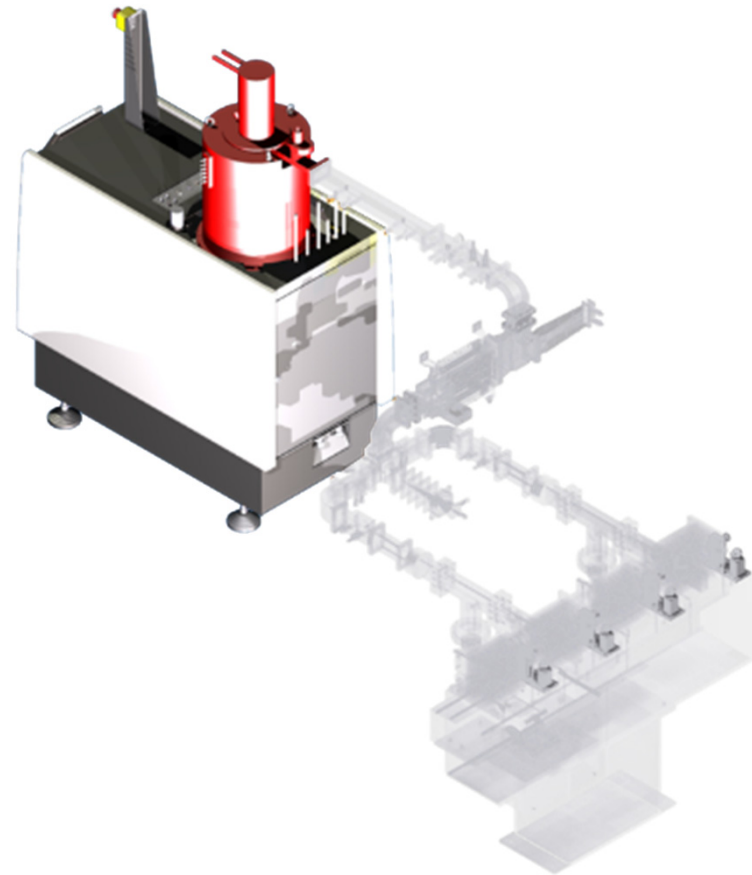
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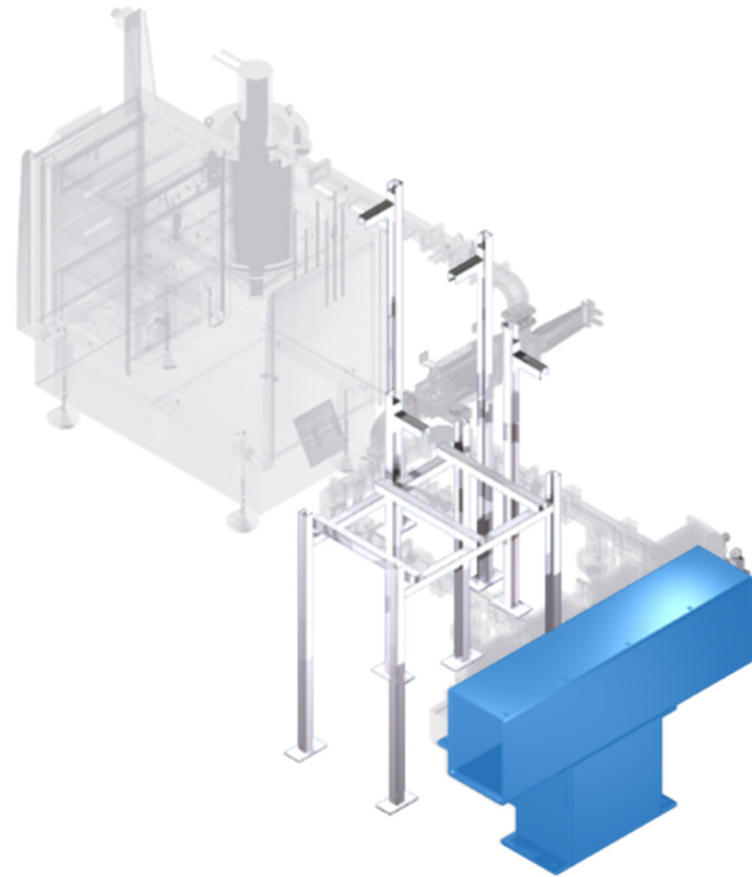
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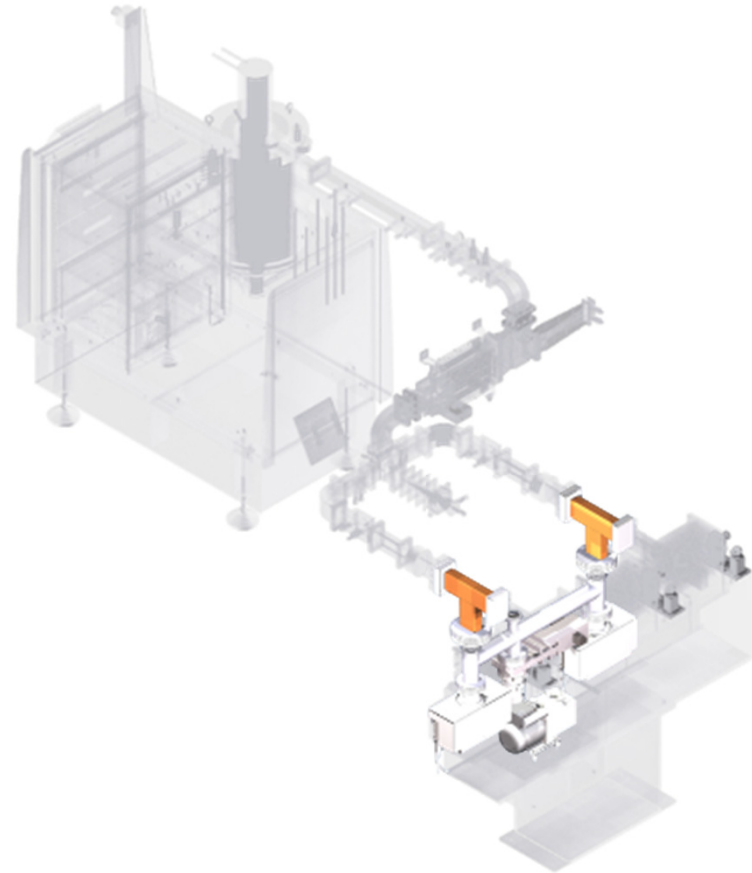
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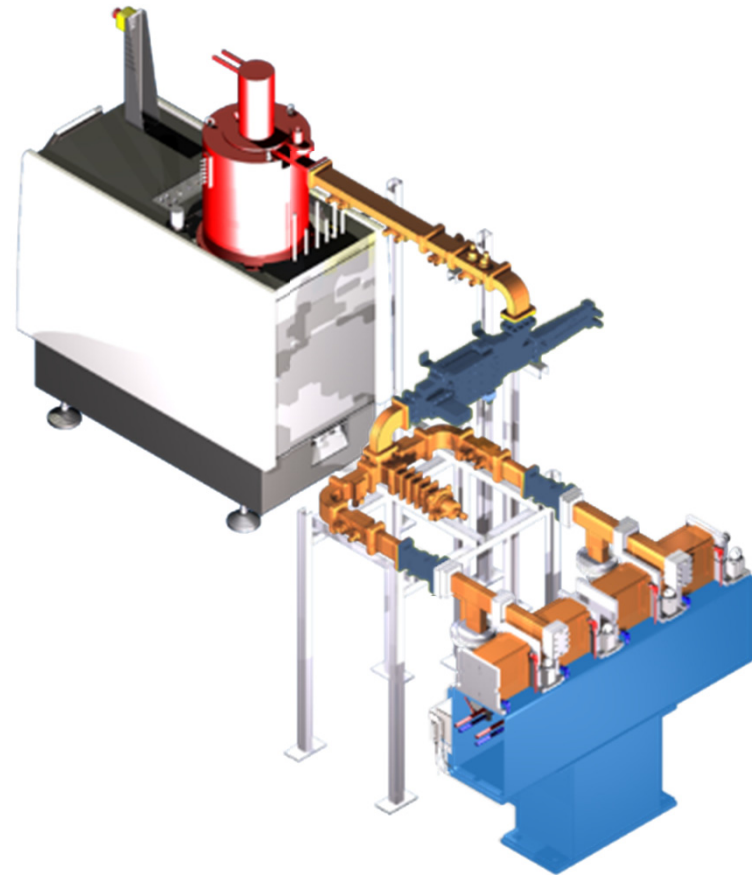
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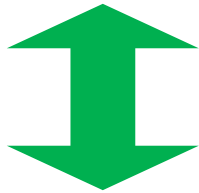
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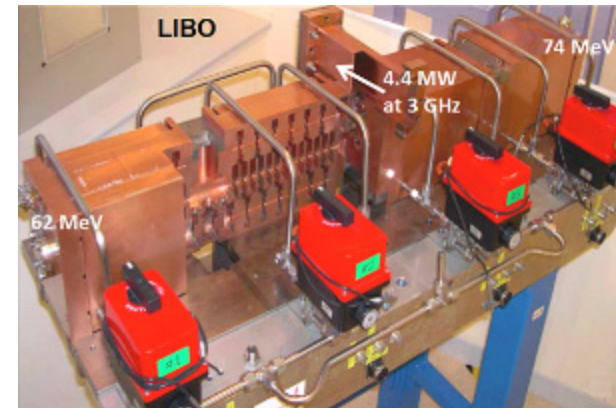
Technology Transfer highlights

Technology transfer I: the LIBO and the first unit

- LIBO (Linac Booster) prototype by TERA-CERN-INFN
 - Built in 1999-2000
 - First proof of principle



- First Unit of ADAM
 - first industrial 3 GHz linac unit for PT
 - Optimized for industrial production

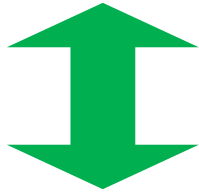


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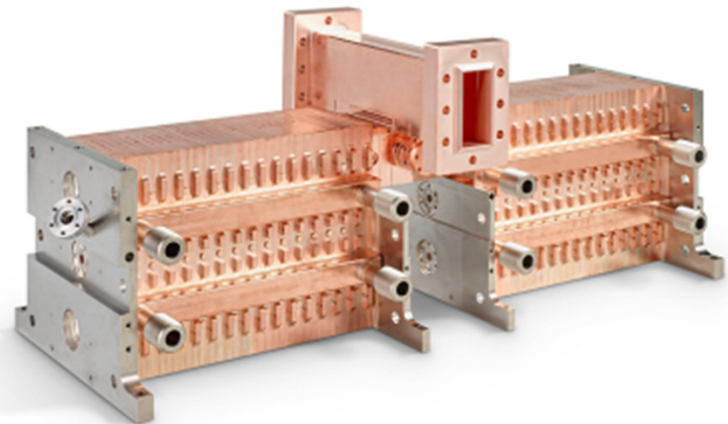
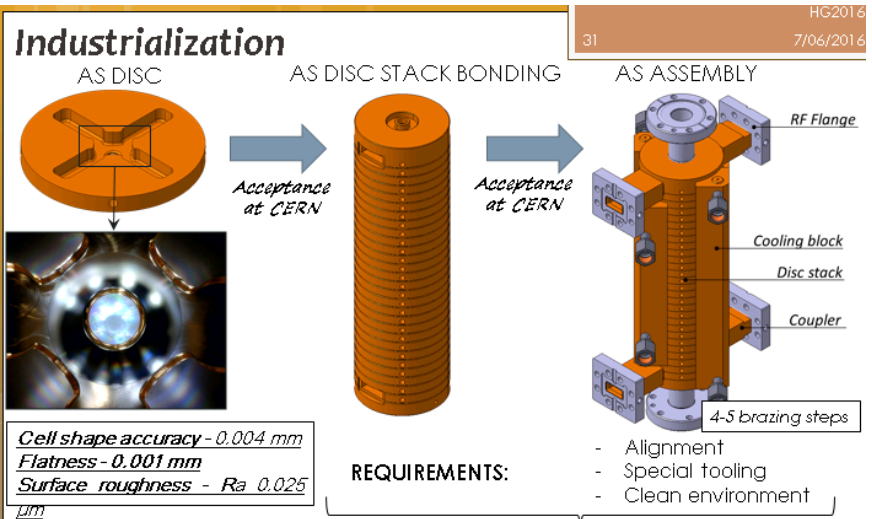


Technology transfer II: high-precision machining

- Experience developed by CLIC group at CERN in design and production of copper structures with μm precision machining

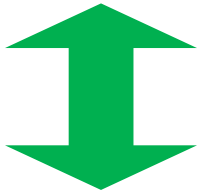


- ADAM - VDL for production of accelerating structures



Technology transfer III : the RF power source

- At CERN: 'Xboxes'
X-band test stand
at 12 GHz with:
 - Scandinova K1mod
 - Toshiba E37113



- ADAM → similar
approach with
 - SCANDINOVA K1
 - Toshiba E3779,A



Commissioning ongoing (LINAC4 experience)

- Not only 'technology' transfer, but also **KNOWLEDGE transfer**

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THE LINAC4 PROJECT

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Beam Commissioning stages					
45 keV	3 MeV	12 MeV	50 MeV	105 MeV	160 MeV
Not yet the final source	Octobre2013	August 2014	November 2015	June 2016	Octobre 2016 (foreseen)

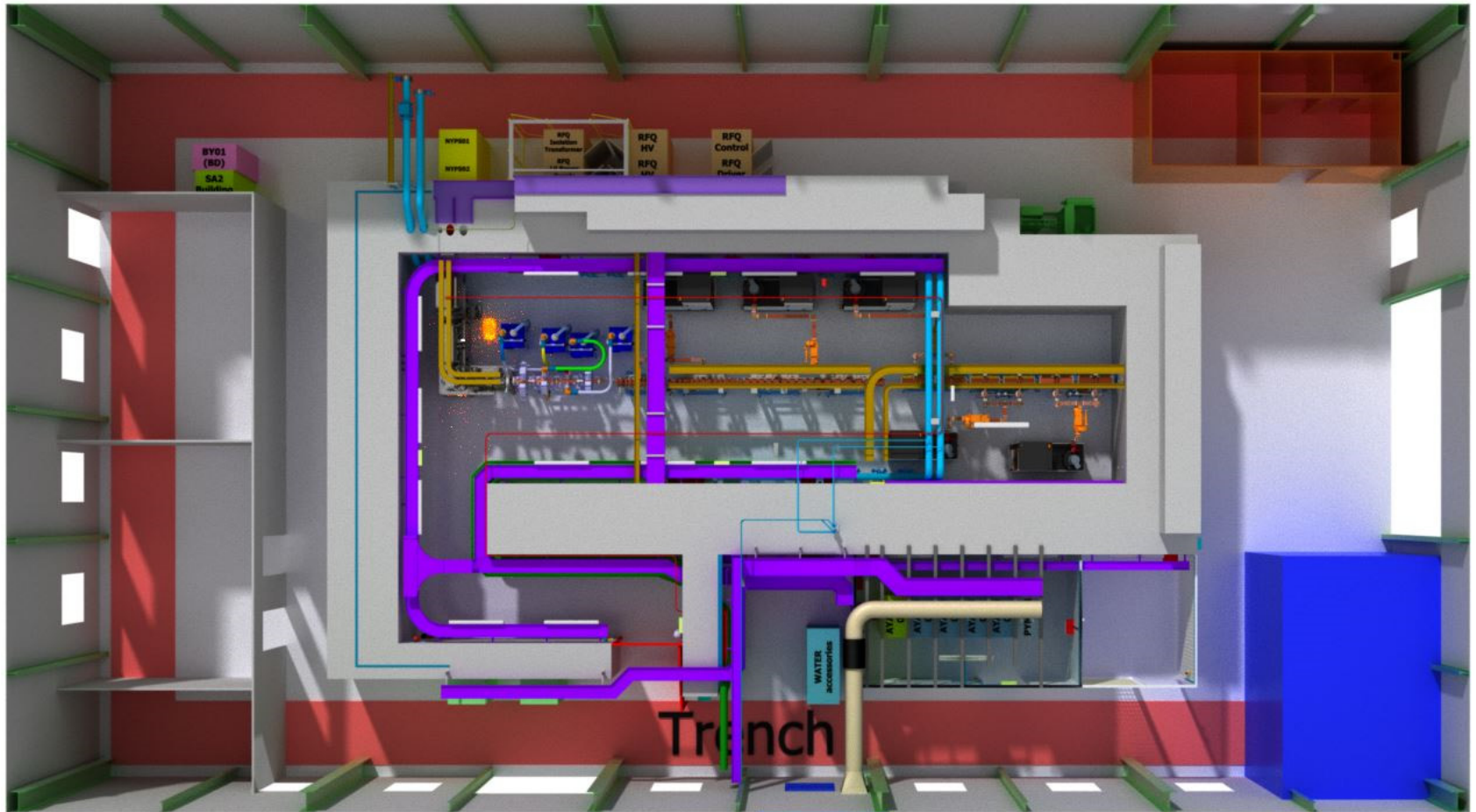


3.3 Commissioning Breakdown (Step-by-step)

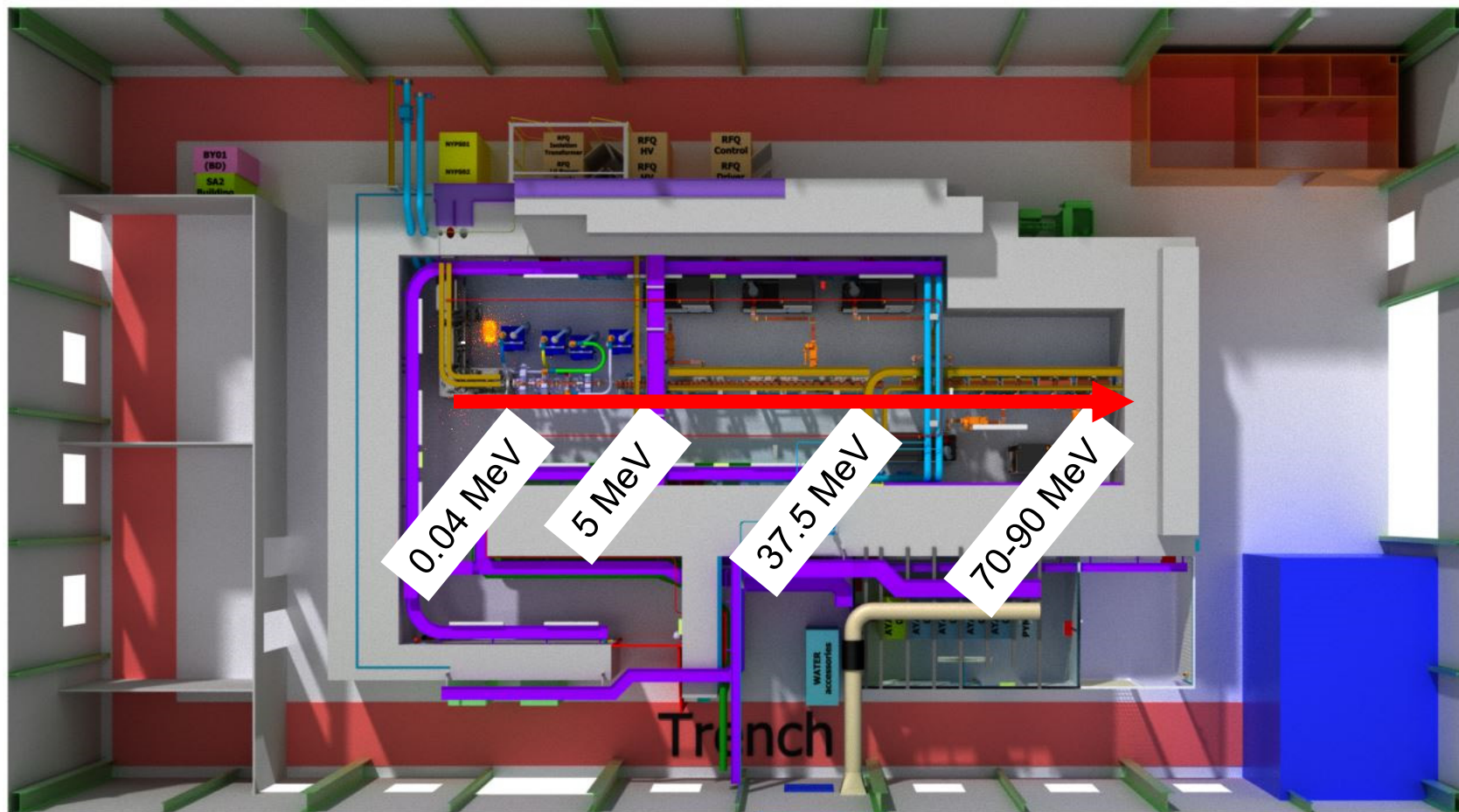


source	RFQ	SCDTL1	SCDTL 2-3		SCDTL4	CCL1-2	CCL3-6
40 keV	5 MeV	7.5 MeV	16 MeV	26.5 MeV	37.5 MeV	52 MeV	70-90 MeV

Commissioning of LIGHT @ CERN

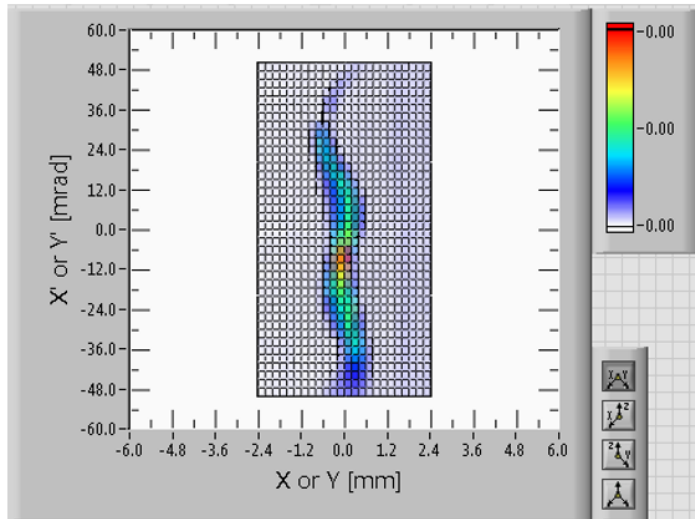


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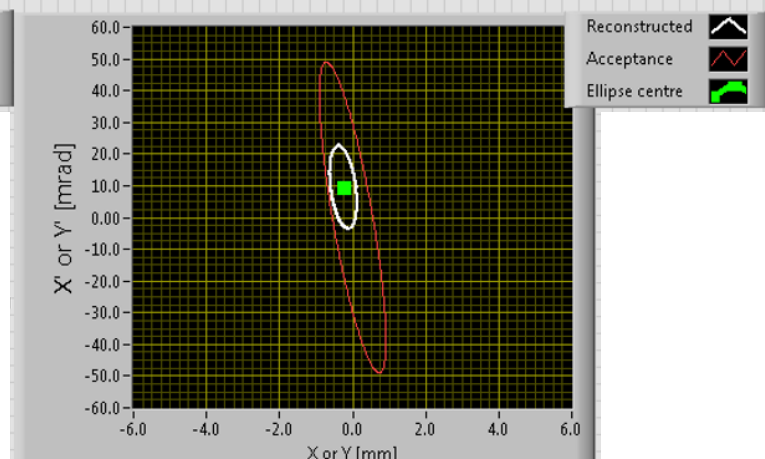
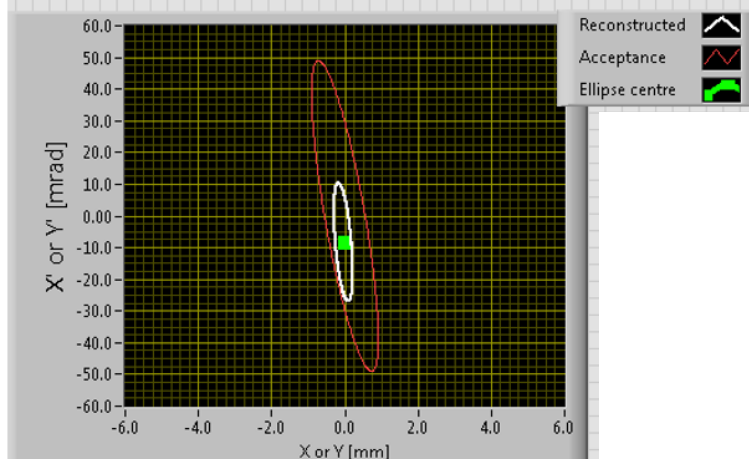
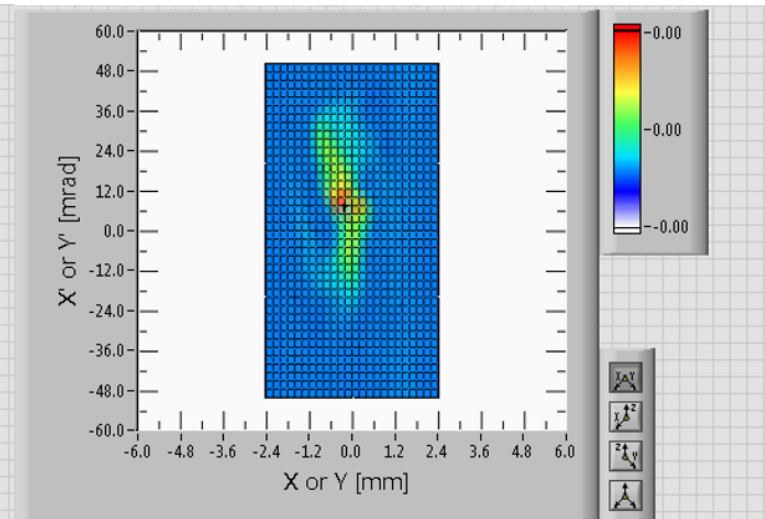


Commissioning of LIGHT @ CERN

a) horizontal



b) vertical



Conclusions

- **LIGHT** is the first commercial 3 GHz linac for proton-therapy
- The beam properties are well suited for **active spot scanning technique**
- **Technologies** developed and in use at CERN have inspired the present design
- **The highest frequency RFQ** in the world is used as injector – allowing for extremely small emittance
- LIGHT represents a good example of **technology and knowledge transfer** to industry and medical applications!

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