



Perspectives for study with light radioactive ion beams at ACCULINNA-2

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- Introduction. Light RIB facility at FLNR (ACCULINNA)
- Status of the ACCULINNA-2 project
- First beam at the ACCULINNA-2
- Experimental methods and techniques
- Experiments @ACCULINNA& first day experiments at ACCULINNA-2
- Optical Time Projection Chamber – OTPC at ACCULINNA
- Summary

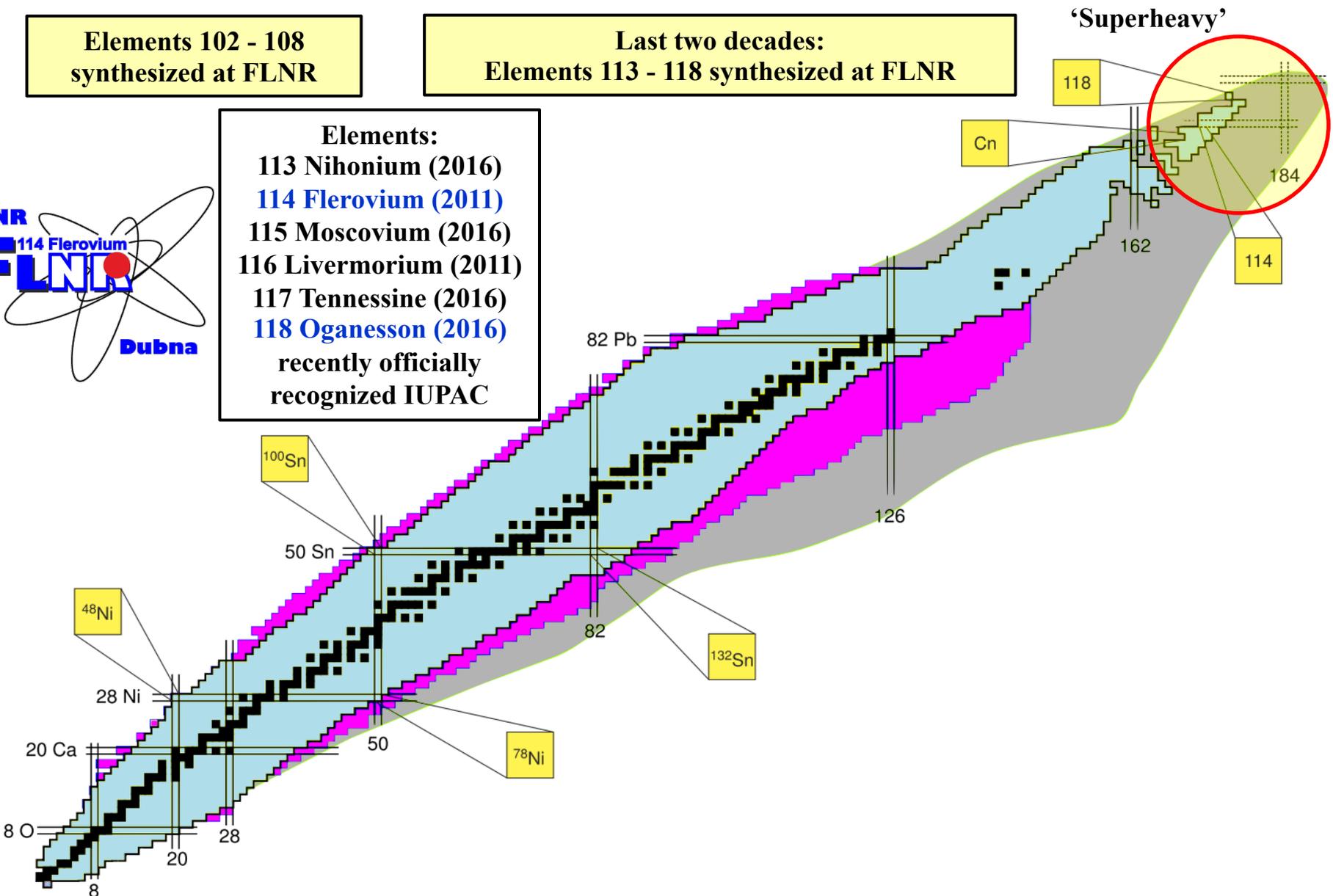


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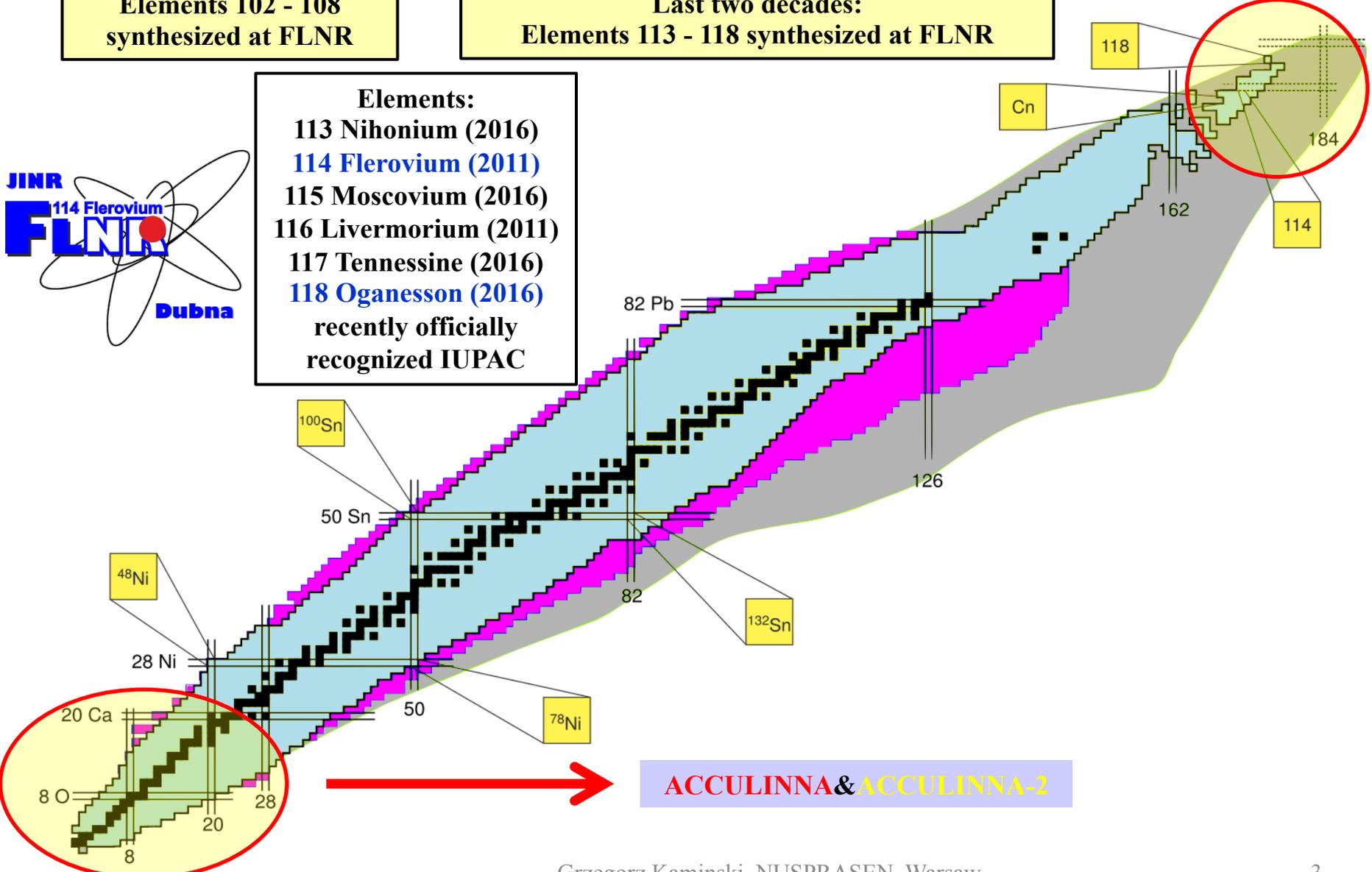
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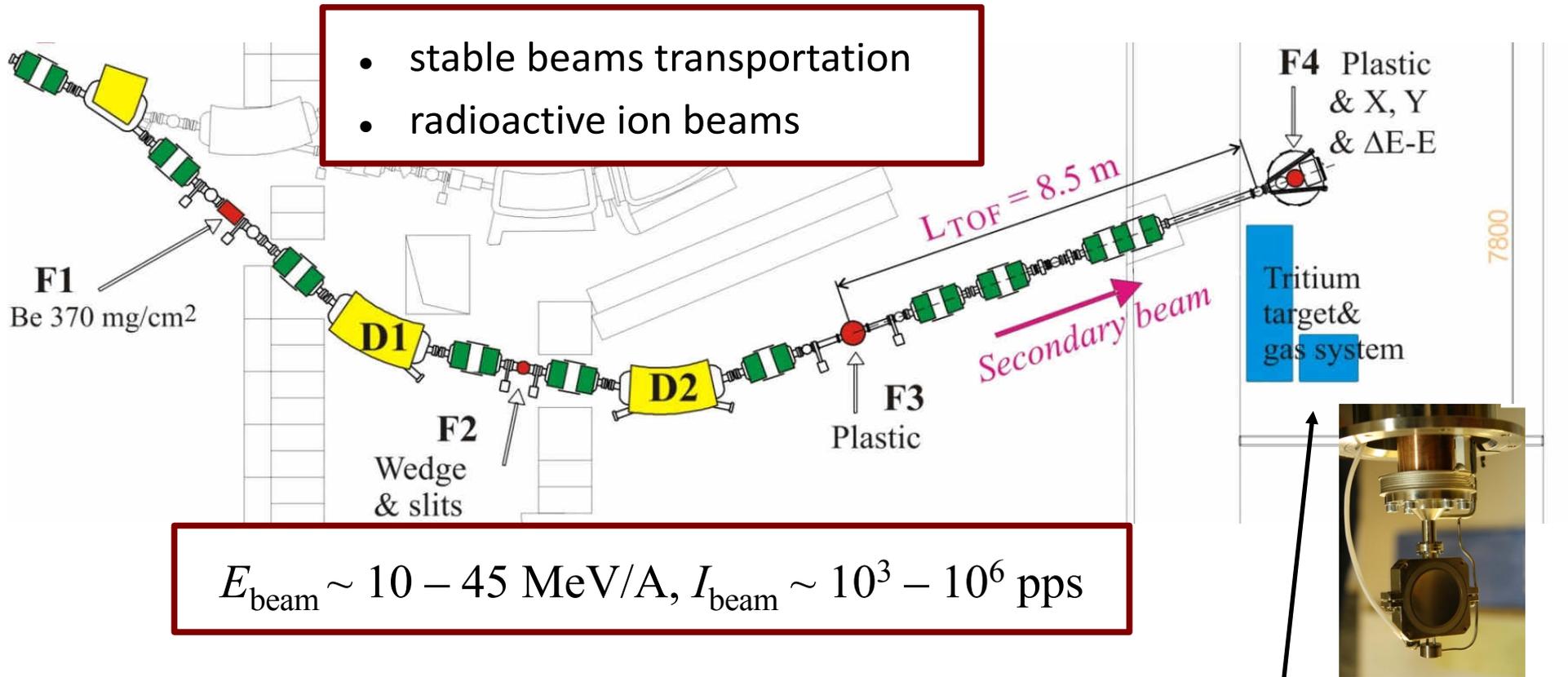


‘Superheavy’



ACCULINNA & ACCULINNA-2

Light & ‘Superlight’



- the only working RIB facility at JINR
- **in-flight technique**, TOF, $\Delta E/E$, full kinematic
 - beams up to ²⁶S

unique combination of tritium beam and target

Use of the **ACCULINNA** fragment separator **has Advantages:**

- The **record intensity** of the primary cyclotron beams (5 μA of ^{11}B);
- Relatively (to in-flight separators) **low beam energies**, that provide a good energy resolution, high reaction cross section partly compensate the low intensities of secondary beams.
- These **beam energies are optimal** for the nuclear structure studies in transfer, charge-exchange reactions;
- **Complete kinematics method** allows for clean, background-free spectra;
- **Correlation studies** provides possibilities for spin-parity identification of the resonance states.

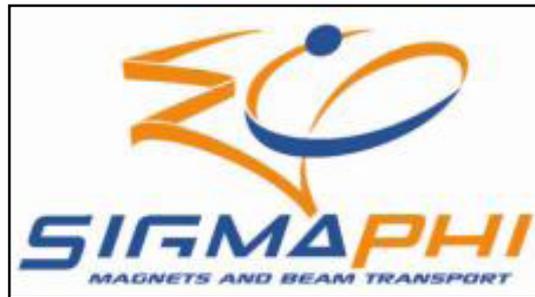
ACCULINNA open **possibilities** for wide range of experiments

- correlation experiments
- lifetime measurements
- spectroscopic structure studies
- search for new light exotic nuclei and exotic decays

Use of the **ACCULINNA** fragment separator **has its Disadvantages:**

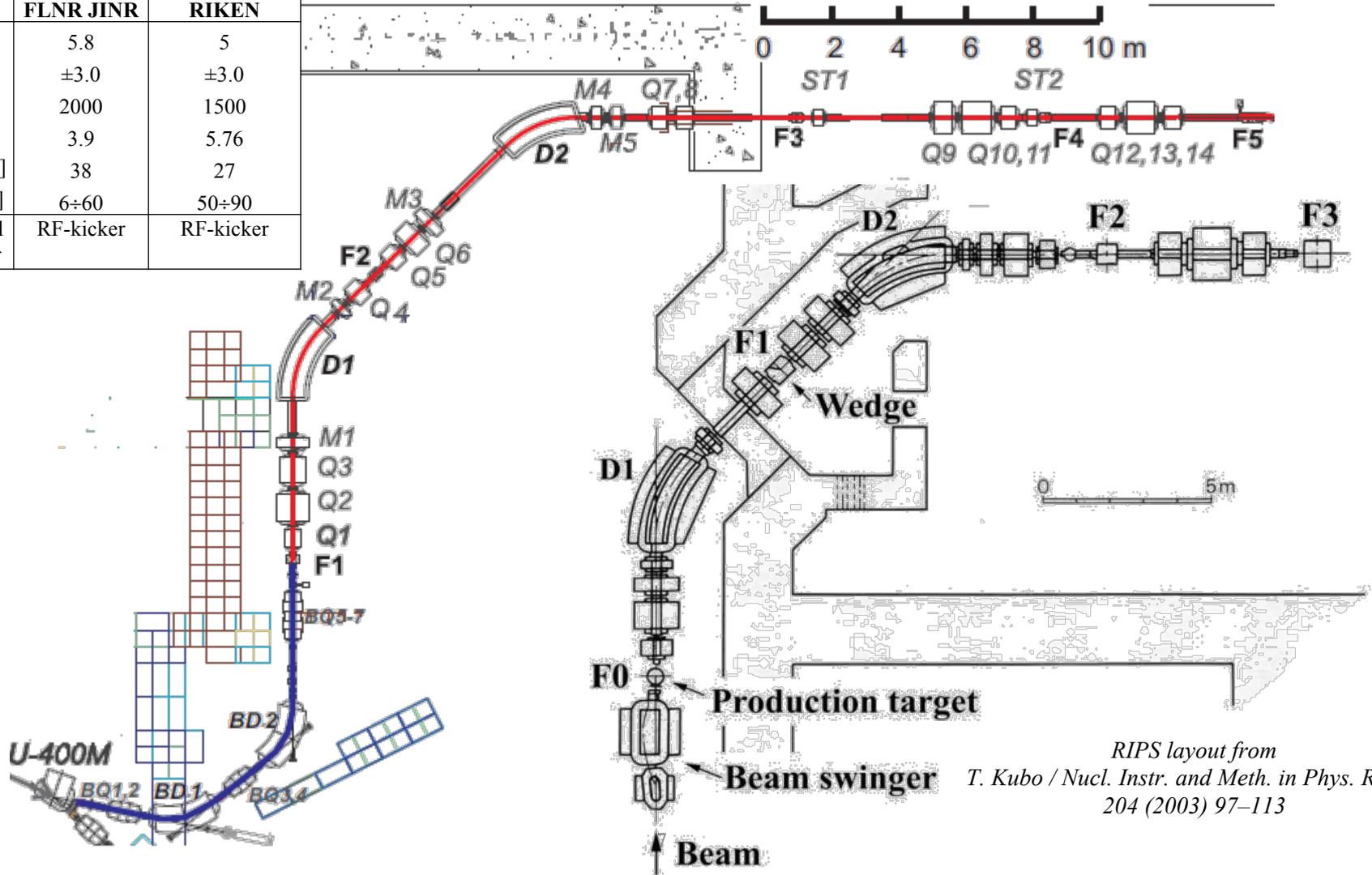
- It is only efficient with **lightest neutron-rich nuclei**;
- Does not cope with the request of **high intensity clean beams** with $Z > 8$;
- We need **more powerful detector rays**, and a bigger experimental area (for TOF);
- **Small length of the separator** puts limitation on the energy resolution;

A new separator ACCULINNA-2
 Contract with SIGMA PHI to design and instalation of the ACC-2:
 2011 - 2015



Layout of ACCULINNA-2

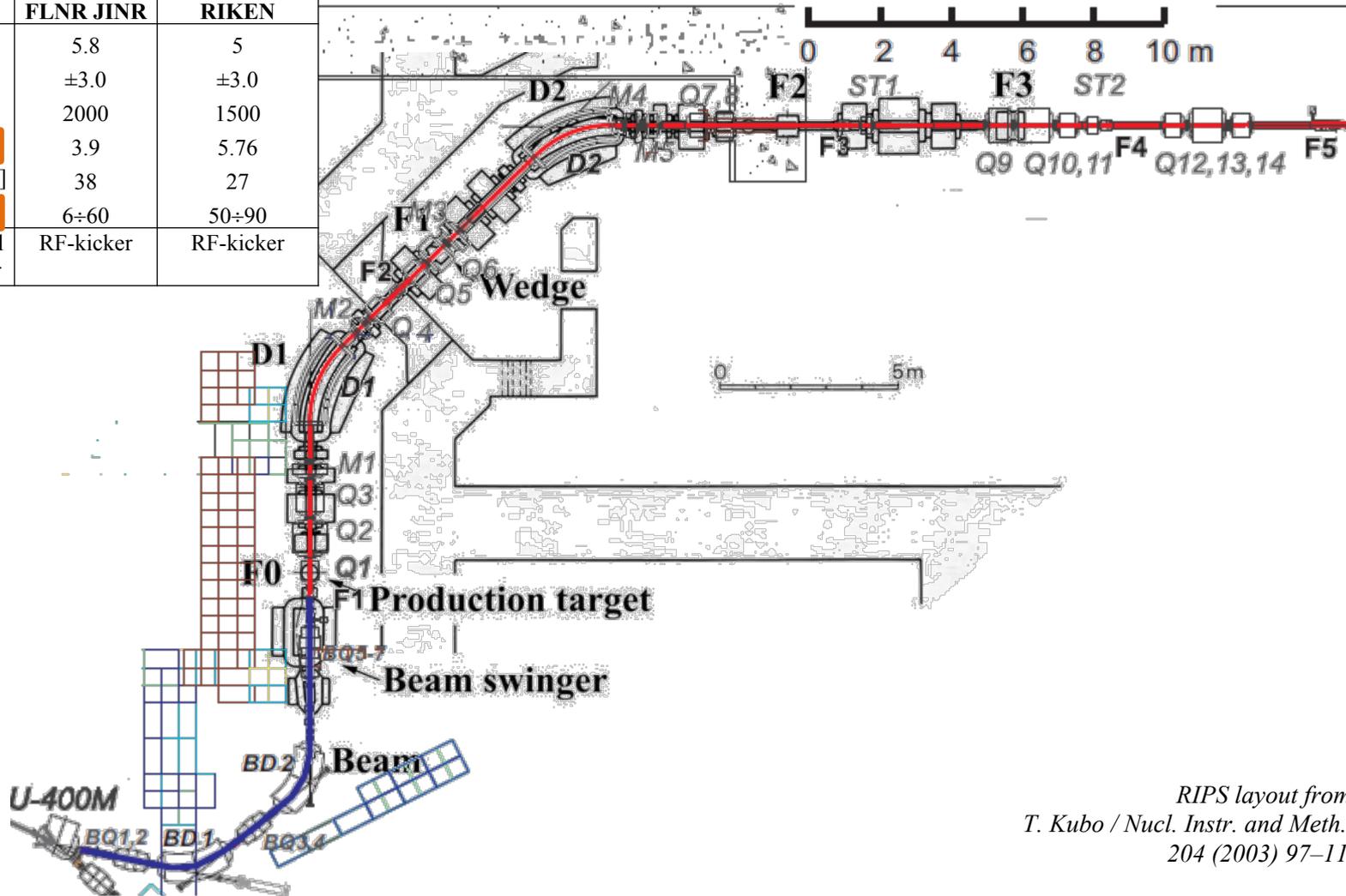
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E [AMeV]	6-60	50-90
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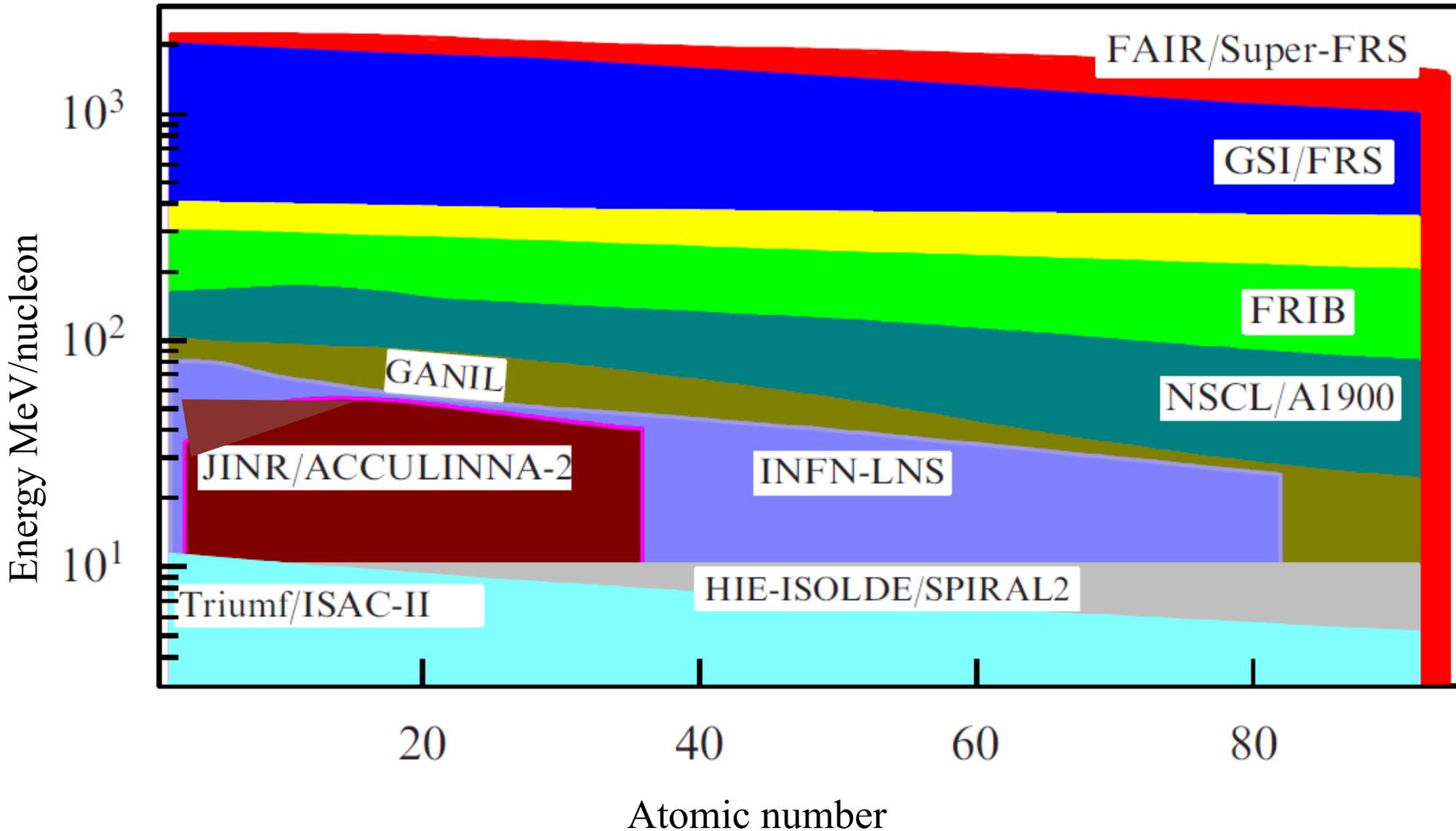


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Characteristics of existing and new in-flight RIB separators
 ($\Delta\Omega$ and $\Delta p/p$ are angular and momentum acceptances, $R_p/\Delta p$ is the first-order momentum resolution when 1 mm object size is assumed)

	ACC / ACC-2 FLNR JINR	RIPS / BigRIBS RIKEN	A1900 MSU	FRS / SuperFRS GSI	LISE3 GANIL
$\Delta\Omega$, msr	0.9 / 5.8	5.0 / 8.0	8.0	0.32 / 5.0	1.0
$\Delta p/p$, %	$\pm 2.5 / \pm 3.0$	$\pm 3.0 / 6.0$	± 5.5	$\pm 2.0 / 5.0$	± 5.0
$R_p/\Delta p$	1000 / 2000	1500 / 3300	2915	8600 / 3050	2200
$B\rho$, Tm	3.2 / 3.9	5.76 / 9.0	6.0	18 / 18	3.2 - 4.3
Length, m	21 / 38	27 / 77	35	74 / 140	19(42)
E, AMeV	10÷40 / 6÷60	50÷90 / 350	110÷160	220÷1000/1500	40÷80
<i>Additional RIB Filter</i>	No / RF-kicker	RF-kicker / S-form	S-form & RF-kicker	S-form / Preseparator	Wien Filter

... somewhere among other facilities

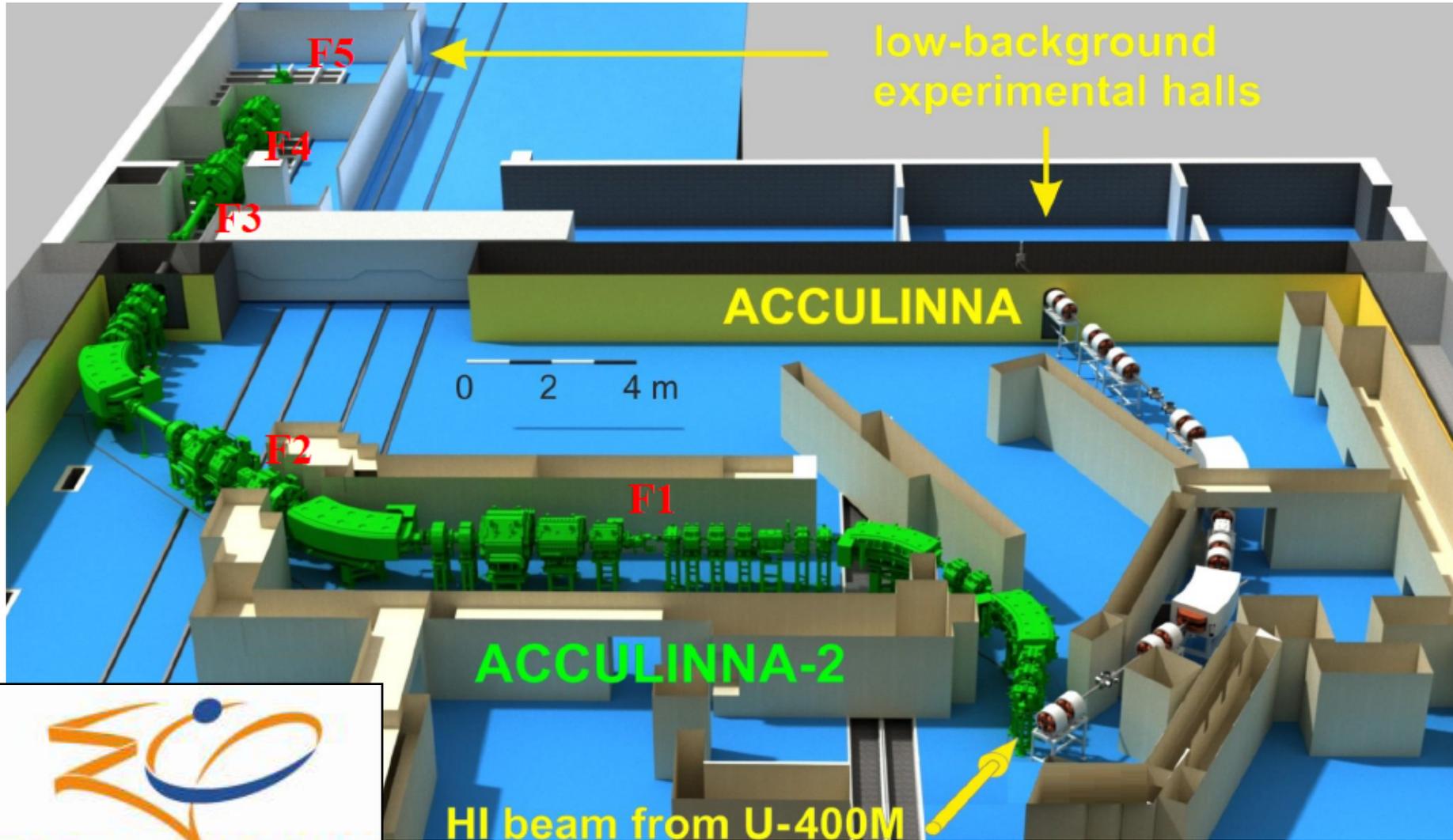


RIBs from ACCULINNA-2

calculations done with LISE++

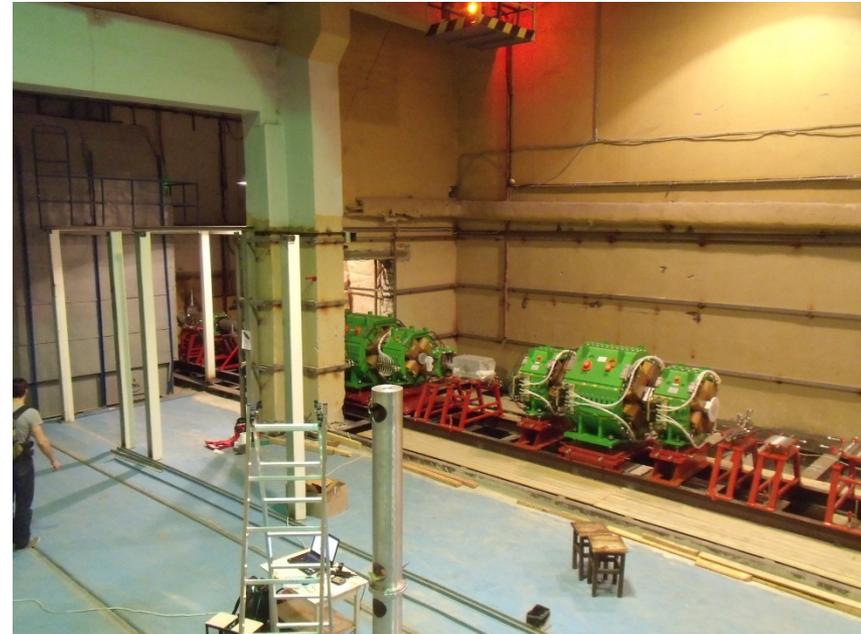
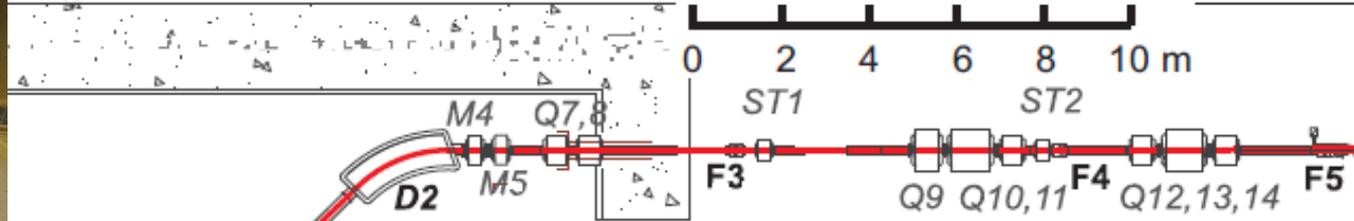
Primary beam		Radioactive Ion Beam			
Ion	Energy, MeV/u	Ion	Energy, MeV/u	Intensity, s ⁻¹ (per 1 pμA)	Purity, %
¹¹ B	32	⁸ He	26	3*10 ⁵	90
¹⁵ N	49	¹¹ Li	37	3*10 ⁴	95
¹¹ B	32	¹⁰ Be	26	1*10 ⁸	90
¹⁵ N	49	¹² Be	38.5	2*10 ⁶	70
¹⁸ O	48	¹⁴ Be	35	2*10 ⁴	50
²² Ne	44	¹⁷ C	33	3*10 ⁵	40
		¹⁸ C	35	4*10 ⁴	30
³⁶ S	64 (U400M upgrade)	²⁴ O	40	2*10 ²	10 (with RF kicker)
¹⁰ B	39	⁷ Be	26	8*10 ⁷	90
²⁰ Ne	53	¹⁸ Ne	34	2*10 ⁷	40
³² S	52	²⁸ Be	31	2*10 ⁴	5 (with RF kicker)

Layout of ACCULINNA-2

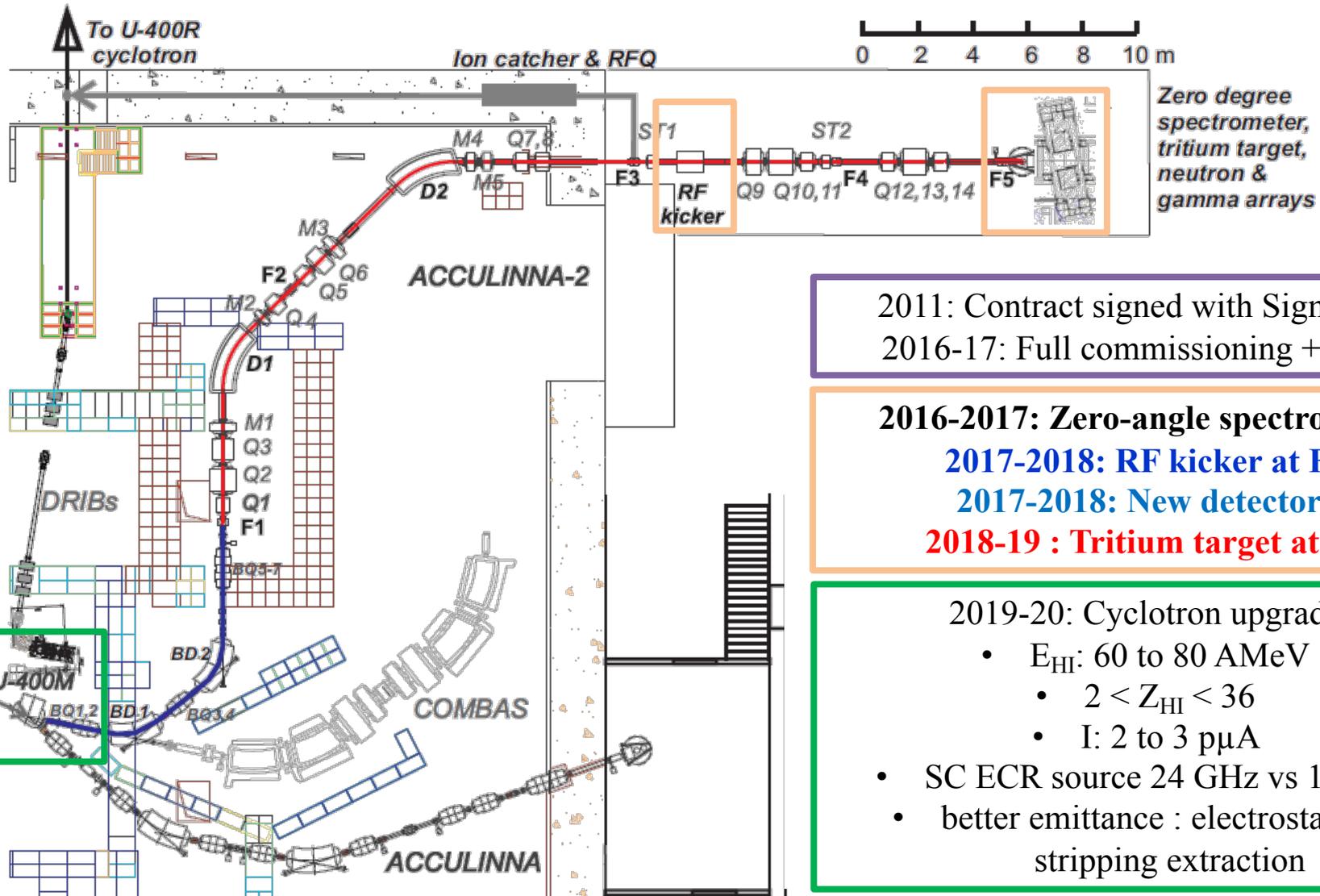


Layout of ACCULINNA-2

September 2015



ACCULINNA-2 project: timeline



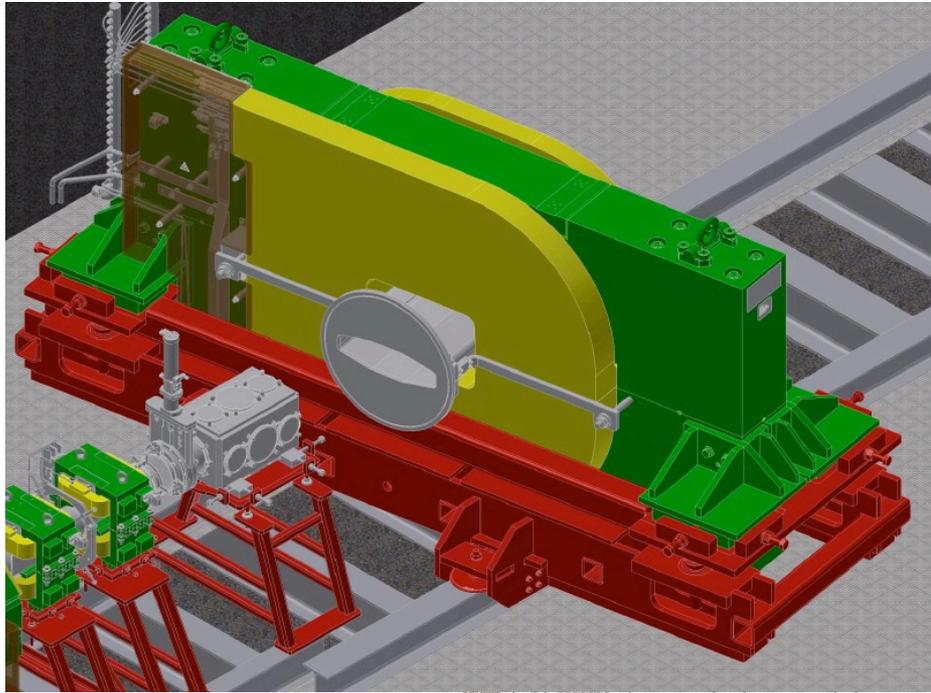
2011: Contract signed with Sigma PHI
 2016-17: Full commissioning + Beam

2016-2017: Zero-angle spectrometer
2017-2018: RF kicker at F3
2017-2018: New detectors
2018-19 : Tritium target at F5

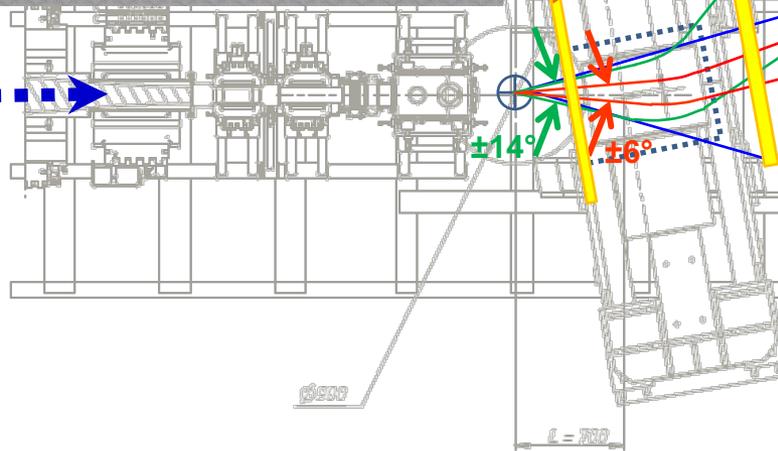
2019-20: Cyclotron upgrade

- E_{HI} : 60 to 80 AMeV
- $2 < Z_{HI} < 36$
- I : 2 to 3 μ A
- SC ECR source 24 GHz vs 18 GHz
- better emittance : electrostatic vs stripping extraction

The zero angle spectrometer



RIB



Particle tracking system
(2017-2018 – designing, construction)

Protons, deuterons, tritons
 $B_p = 0.4 \sim 1.0 \text{ Tm}$
Cone $0 \sim 14^\circ$

$B_p=0.4$

$B_p=1.0$

$B_p=1.1$

$B_p=1.7$

Heavy decay products

$B_p = 1.1 \sim 1.7 \text{ Tm}$

Cone $0 \sim 6^\circ$

Neutrons
(stilbene array)
Distance to target $> 2 \text{ m}$
TOF accuracy $< 1\%$

The zero angle spectrometer - INSTALLED

February 2017



November 2017

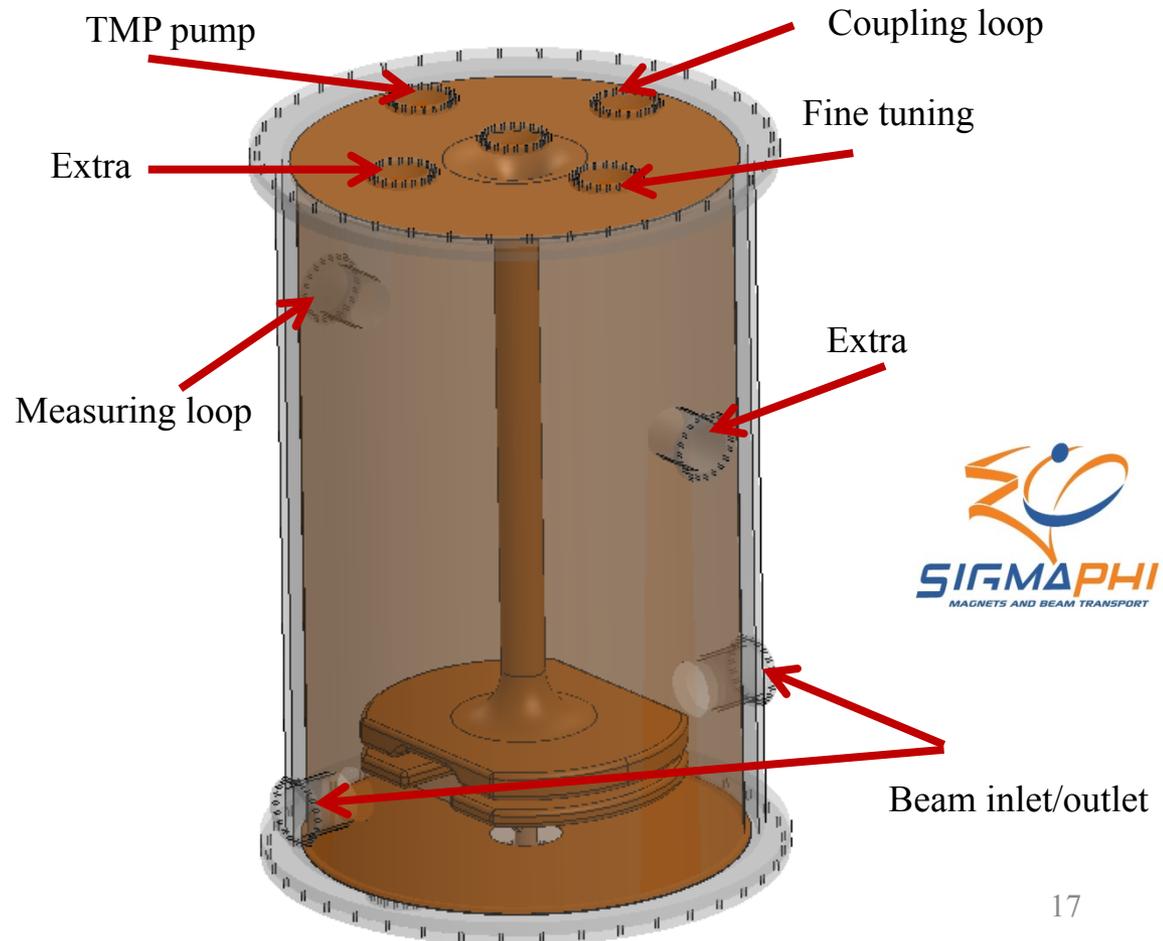


RF kicker: started in 2016, installation in the middle of 2018

- The frequency range 14,5 – 20 MHz is the best compromise in term of dimensions and RF power
- We consider some margin on the RF power and a 15 Kwatts amplifier.
- Reducing the copper cavity diameter to 1000 mm and the coaxial line diameter to 100 mm gives a RF power of 12 Kwatts which is still below 15 Kwatts.

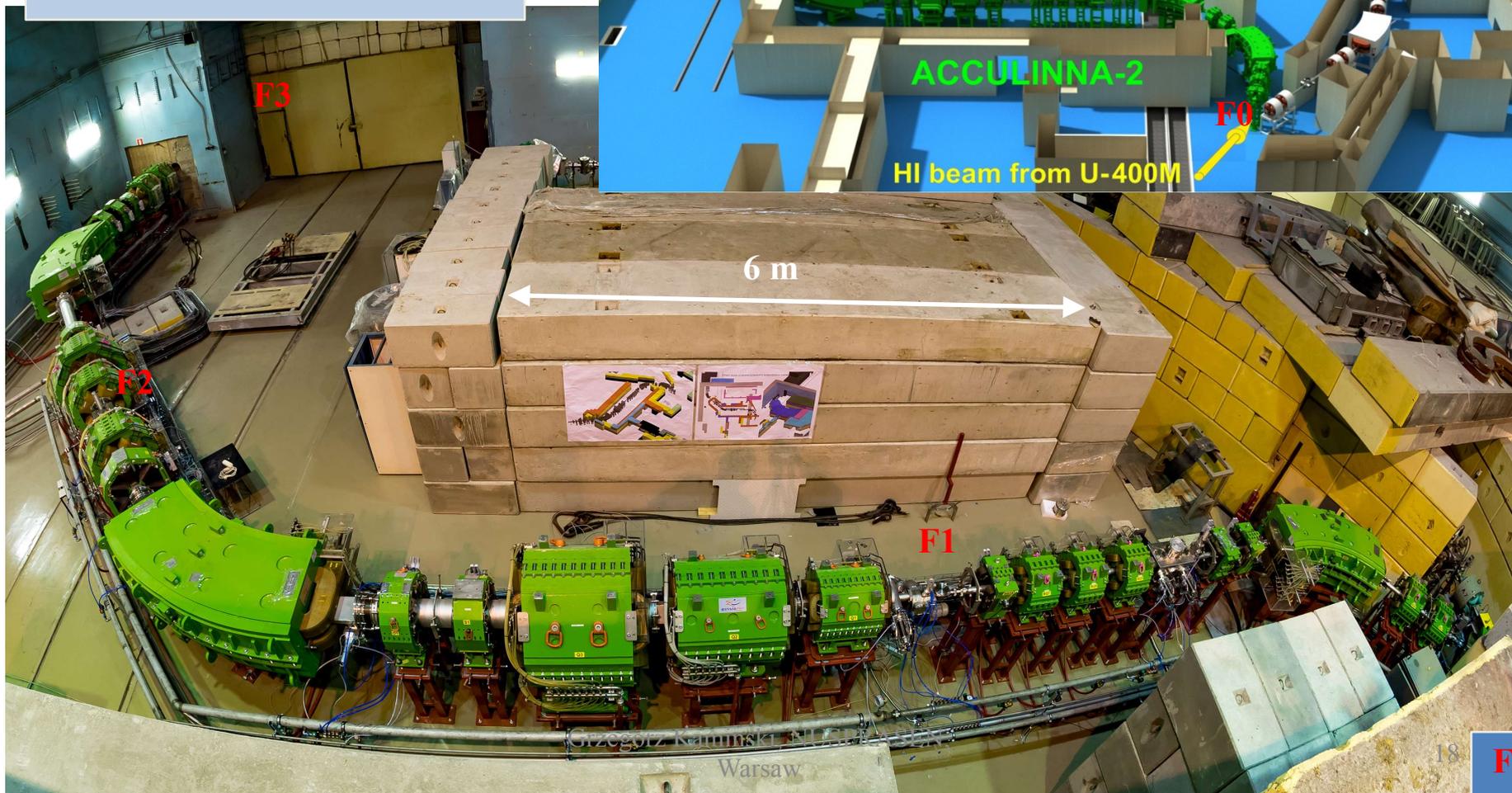
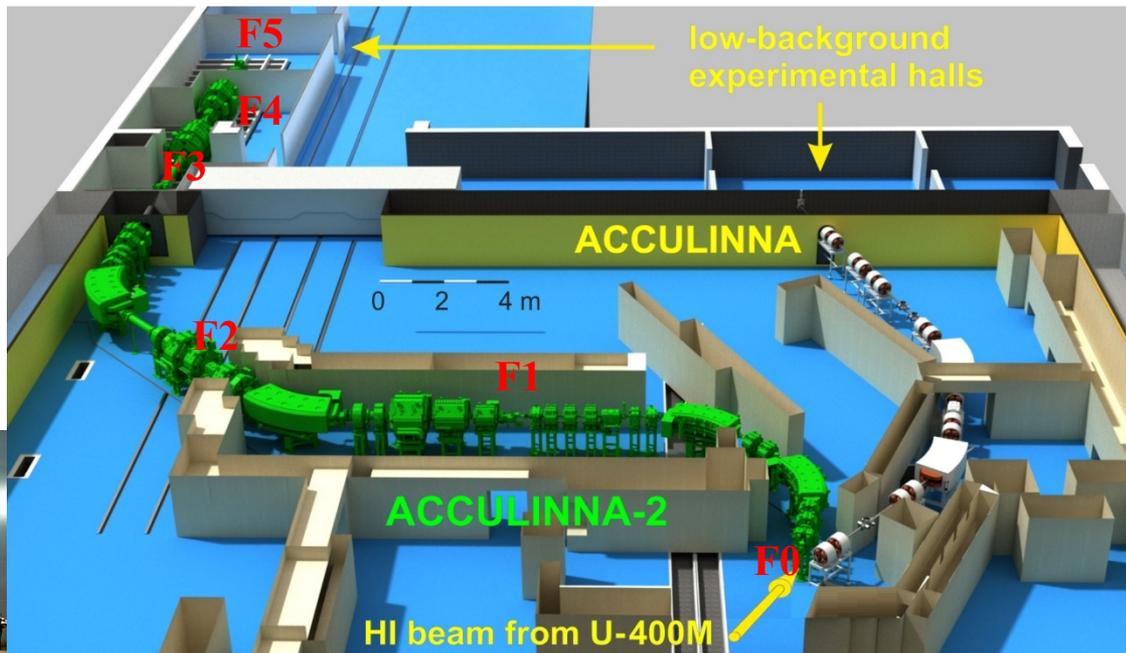
PARAMETERS AND CALCULATION RESULTS

Frequency range (MHz)	14,5 - 20
Peak voltage (KV)	120
GAP (mm)	70
Width of electrode (mm)	120 min
Length of electrodes (mm)	700
Cylinder diameter (mm)	1200 max
Stem diameter (mm)	120 max
Length of coaxial line from beam axis (mm)	1830
Current at junction (A)	990
Current in short-cut (A)	1200
RF power (Watts)	10 000
Reactance Q	8 500
Df (RF tuning) (MHz)	0,66



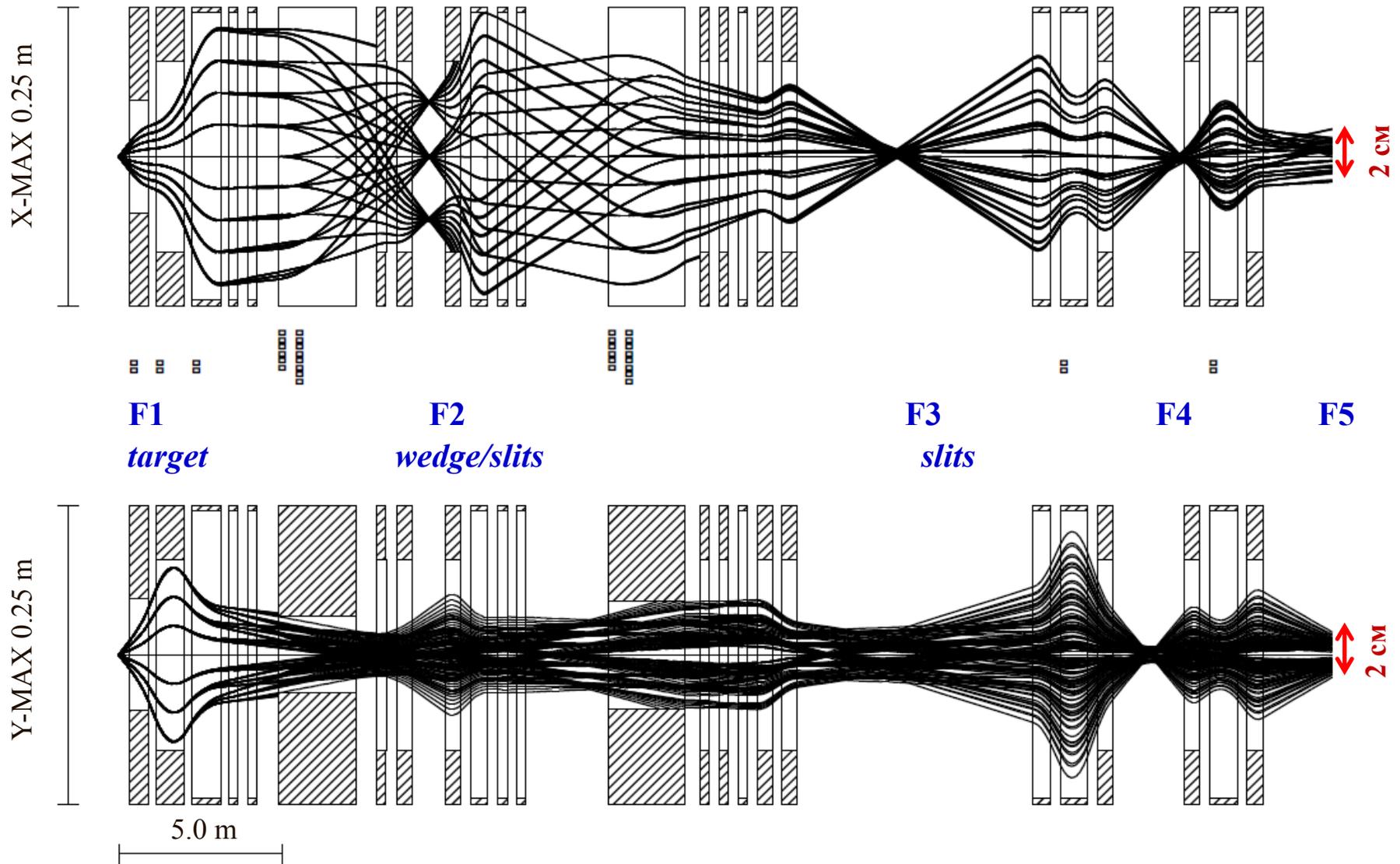
Setup layout & Today status

total length F0-F5 ~53m
39 magnetic elements



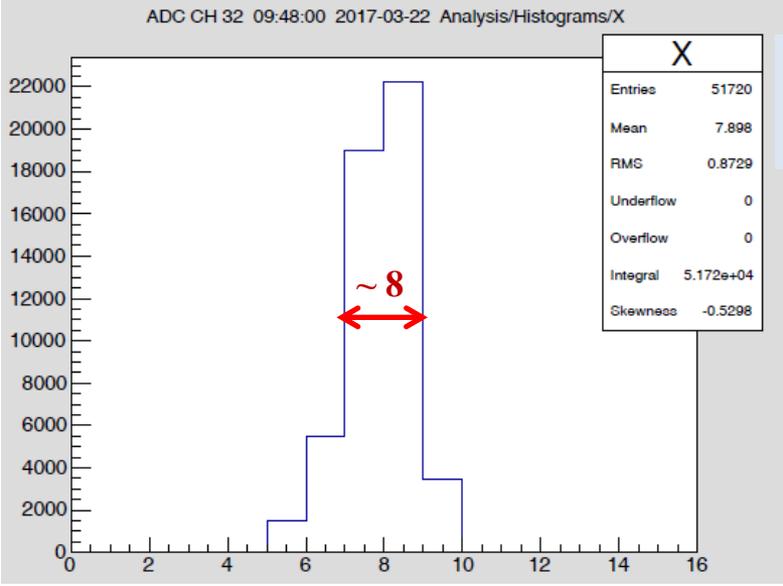
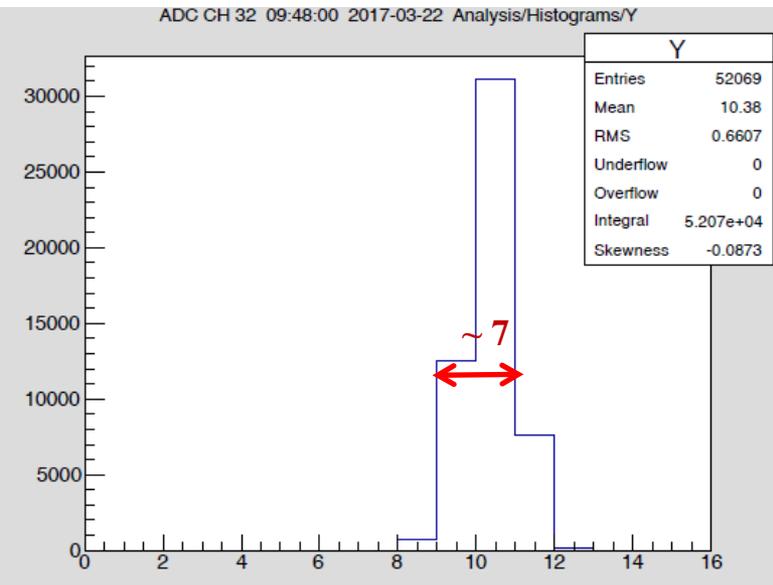
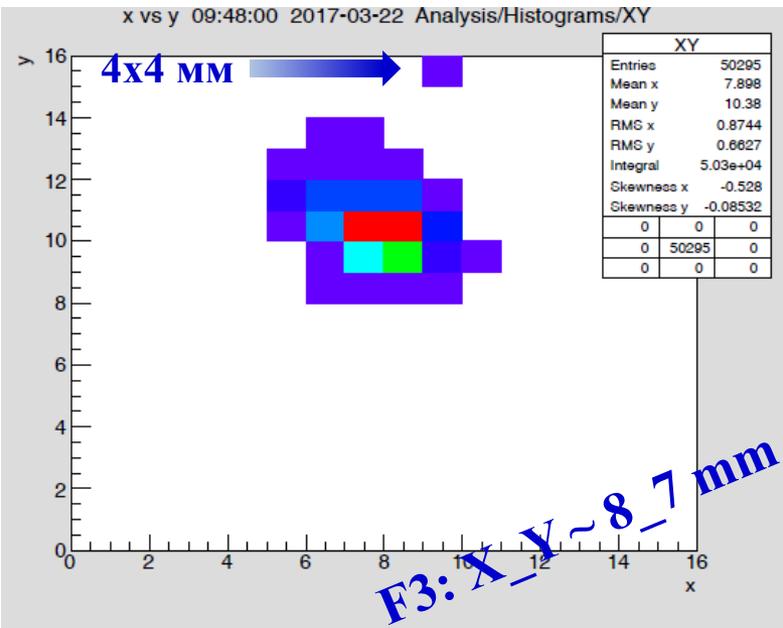
**Goals of the test
in March 2017:**

- ^{15}N profile at F3 depending on F1 diaph. (\varnothing 25, 12, 7 mm)
- main parameters (I, P, X_Y) of some RIBs at F3, F4, F5



**RIB's profile estimation in ^{15}N (49.7 AMeV) + Be (2 mm) reaction
($X_1_Y_1 = 2_8$ mm, $\varepsilon = 35$ mrad, $\Delta p/p = 2.5\%$, $W = 1$ mm)**

Beam profile of ^{15}N at F3 with $\varnothing 7$ mm diaphragm at F1



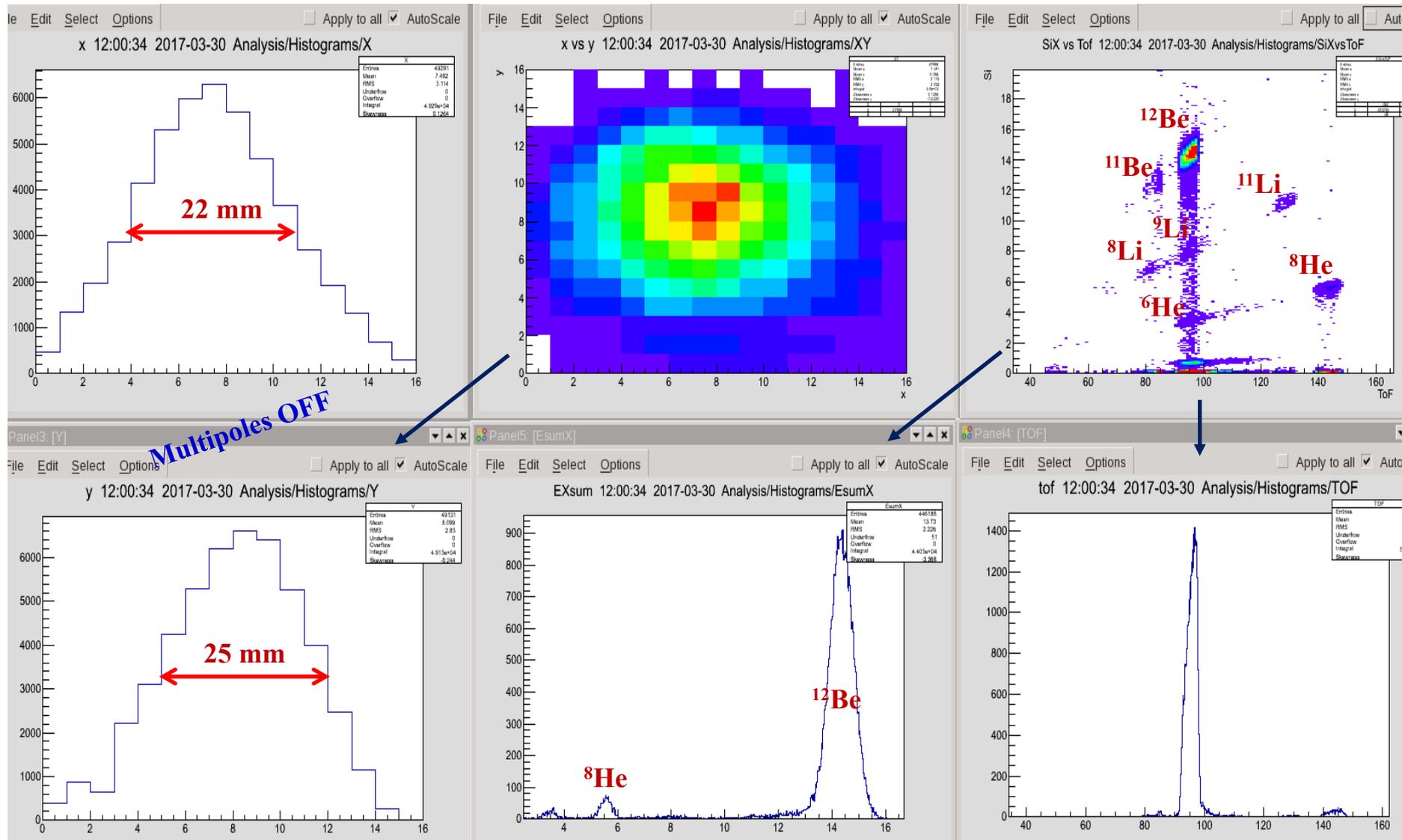
*** Ion optics working well !**
**** RIB production could be started**



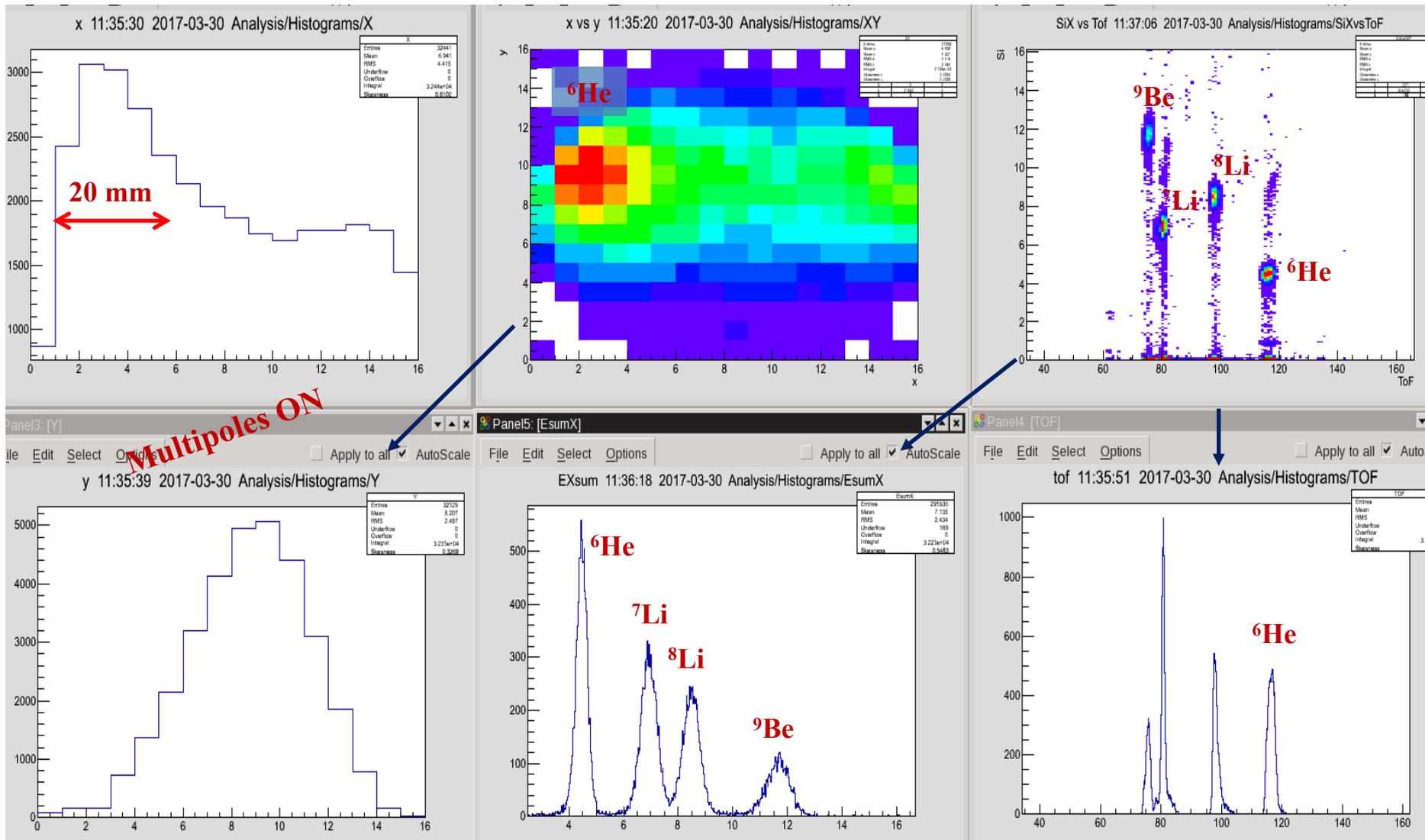
^{12}Be from $^{15}\text{N}(49.7 \text{ AMeV}) + \text{Be}(2 \text{ mm})$:

$I = 190 \text{ 1/s @ } 1 \text{ p nA}; \Delta p/p = 4\%; P \sim 92\%; E = 39.4 \text{ AMeV}; X_5_Y_5 = 22_25 \text{ mm}$

Good agreement with calculation & Factor $\sim 25 (I_{\text{Acc2}} / I_{\text{Acc1}})$



${}^6\text{He}$ from ${}^{15}\text{N}(49.7 \text{ AMeV}) + \text{Be}(2 \text{ mm})$:
 $I = 2700 \text{ 1/s @ } 1 \text{ p nA}; \Delta p/p = 2\%; E = 31.5 \text{ AMeV};$
 $X_5_Y_5 = 20_20 \text{ mm}; P \sim 53\% \text{ @ F3: } \pm 11 \text{ mm}$



Good agreement with estimations

RIBs production rates in $^{15}\text{N}(49.7 \text{ AMeV}) + \text{Be}(2 \text{ mm})$ reaction
F1: $I(^{15}\text{N}) = 1 \text{ pnA @ } 7 \text{ mm}$; F2: $\Delta p/p = 2\%$, Wedge_Be = 1 mm

RIB	Energy, MeV/nucl.	Intensity, 1/s
^{14}B	37,7	120
^{12}Be	39,4	150
^{11}Li	37,0	4
^9Li	33,1	1100
^8He	35,8	25
^6He	31,5	2700

Experiments in 2017

Main parameters (I, P, X_Y) are agree well with estimations

First experiments with RIBs could be started in 2017 ($I < 0.1 \mu\text{A}$)

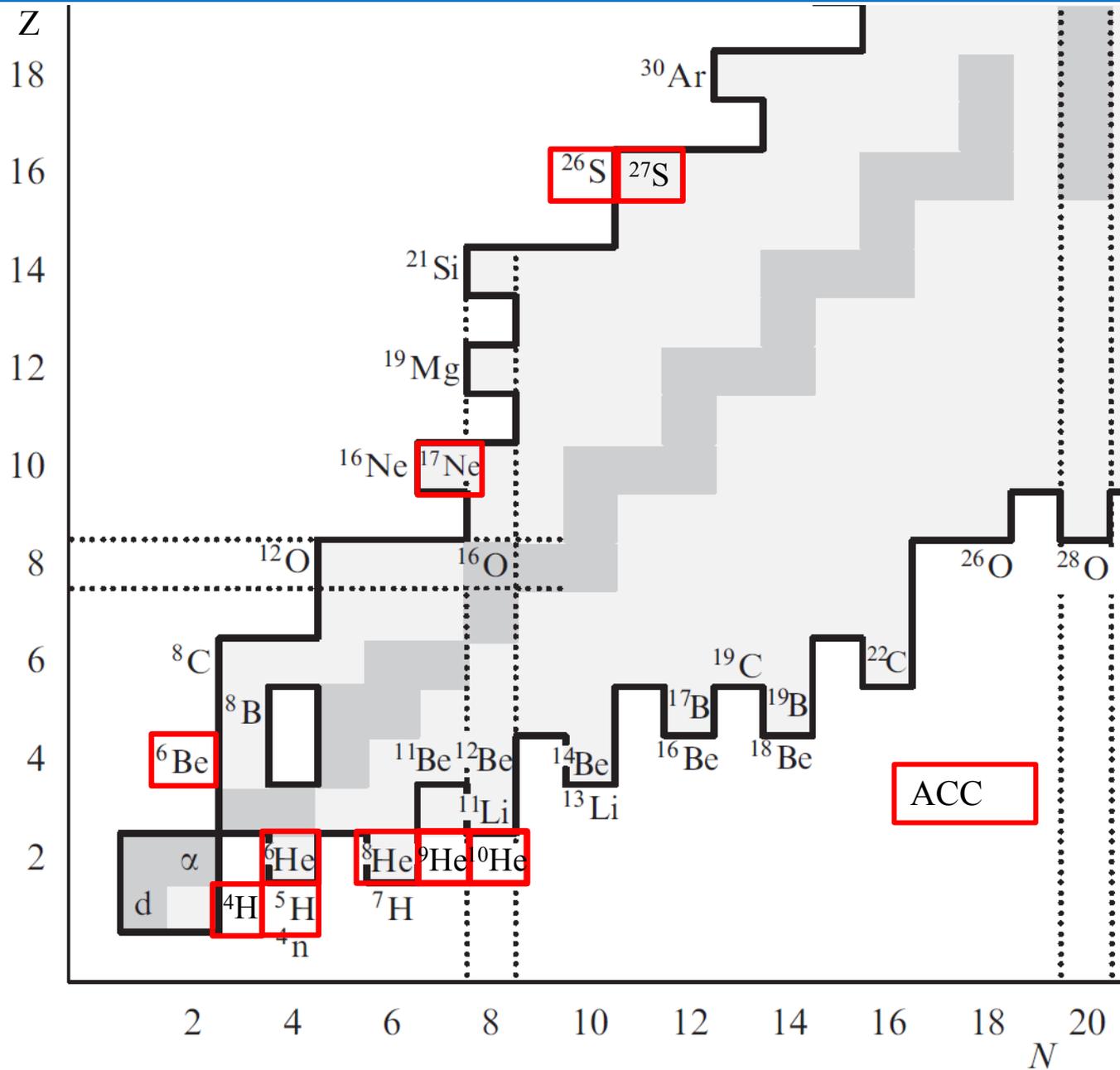
Experiments with intense primary beam ($\sim 1 \mu\text{A}$) will be able since 2018



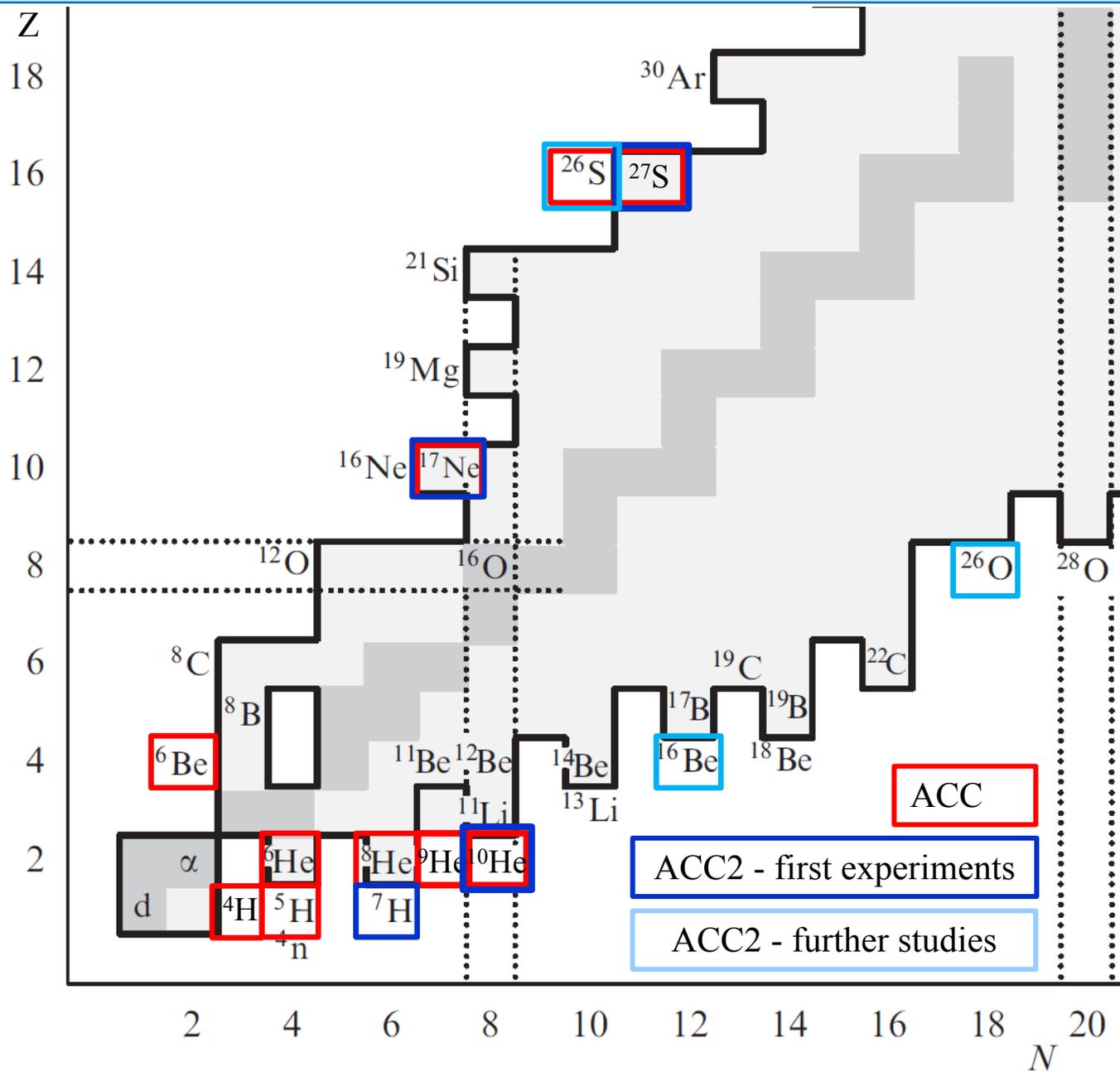
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**Moving ahead to ^7H
via ^{11}Li or ^8He
2018 - flagship exp.**

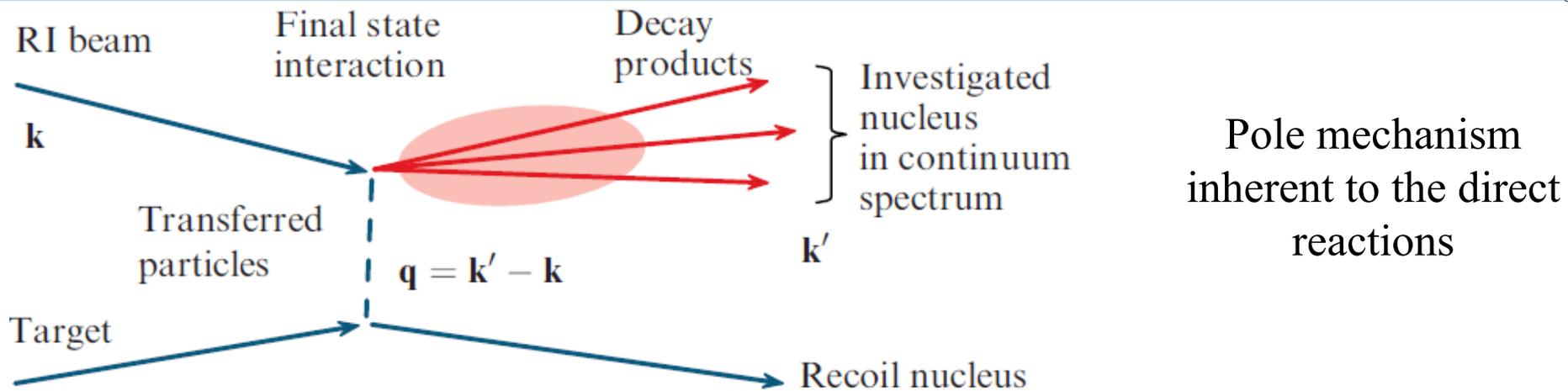
Scope of activity of ACCULINNA



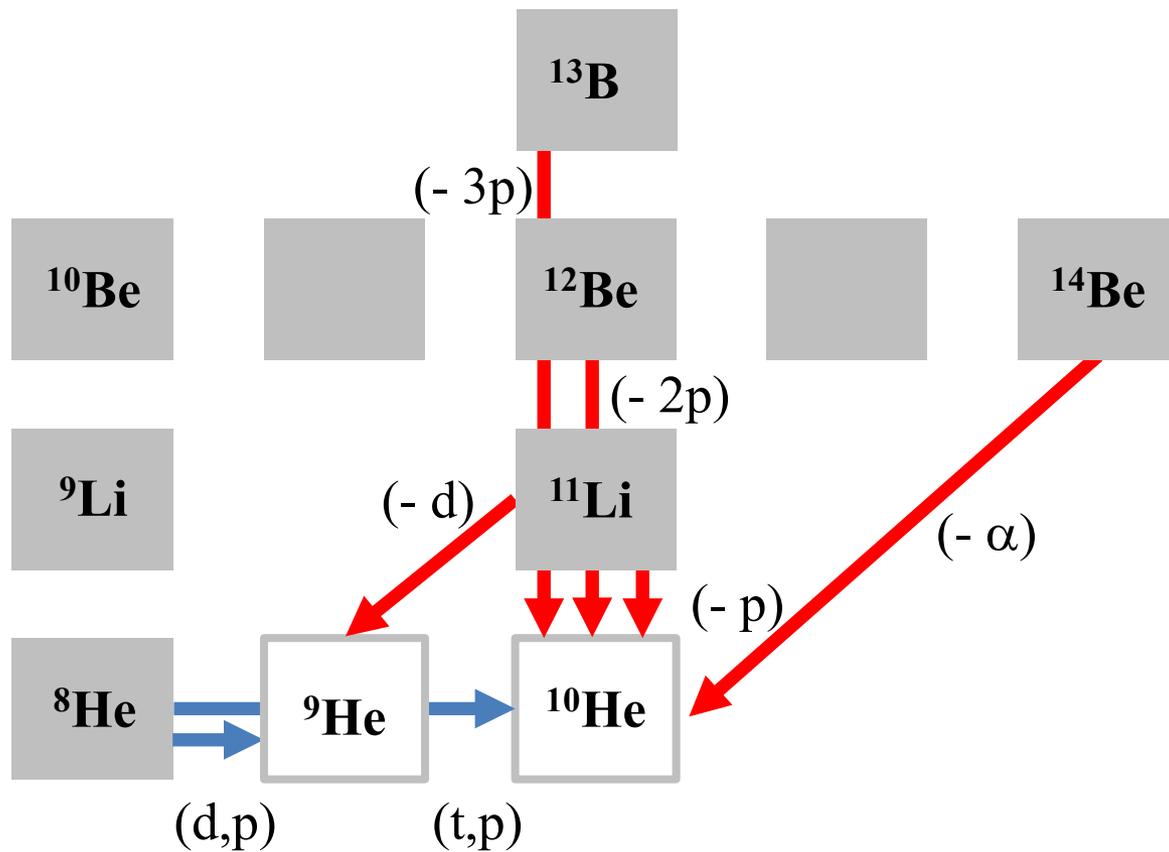
Scope of activity for ACCULINNA-2



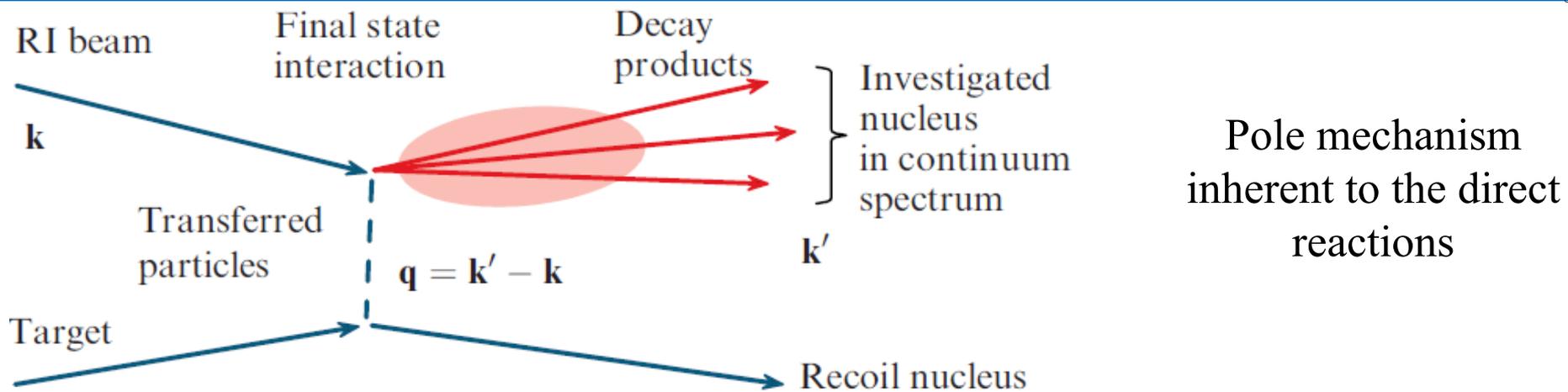
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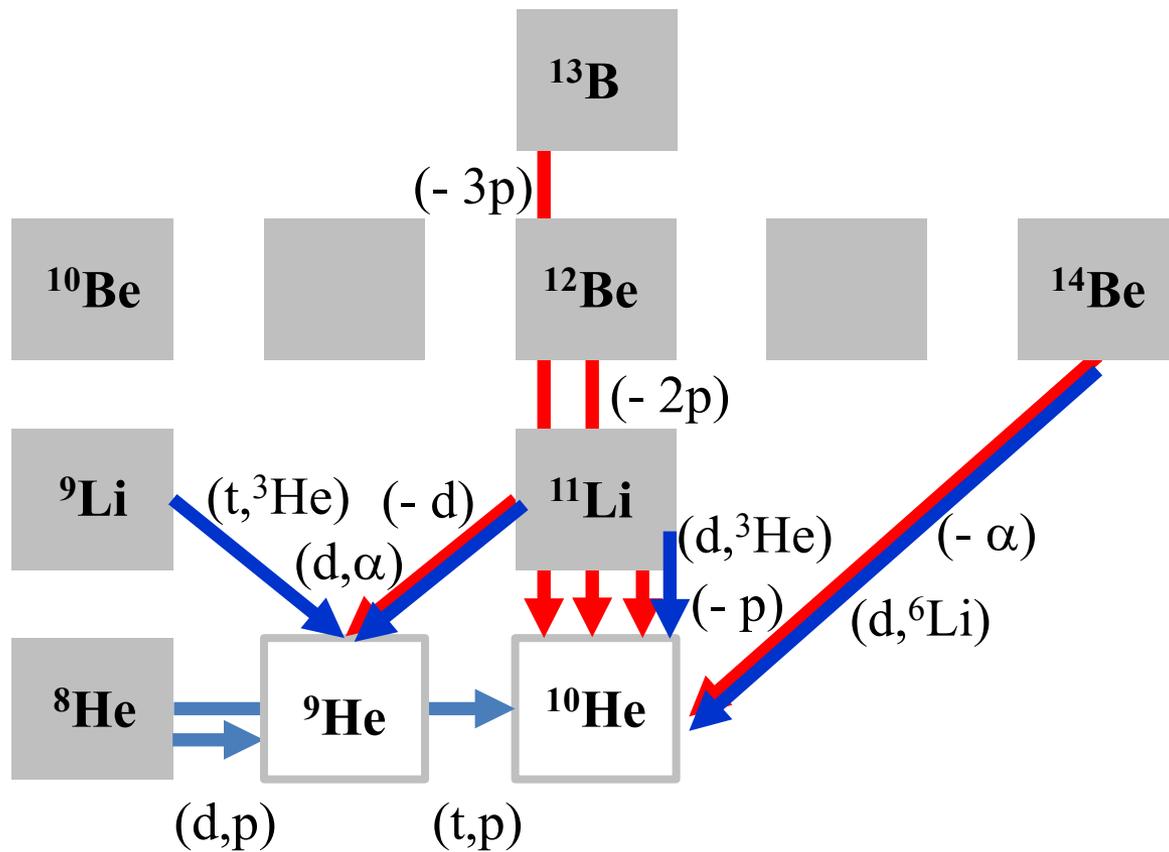
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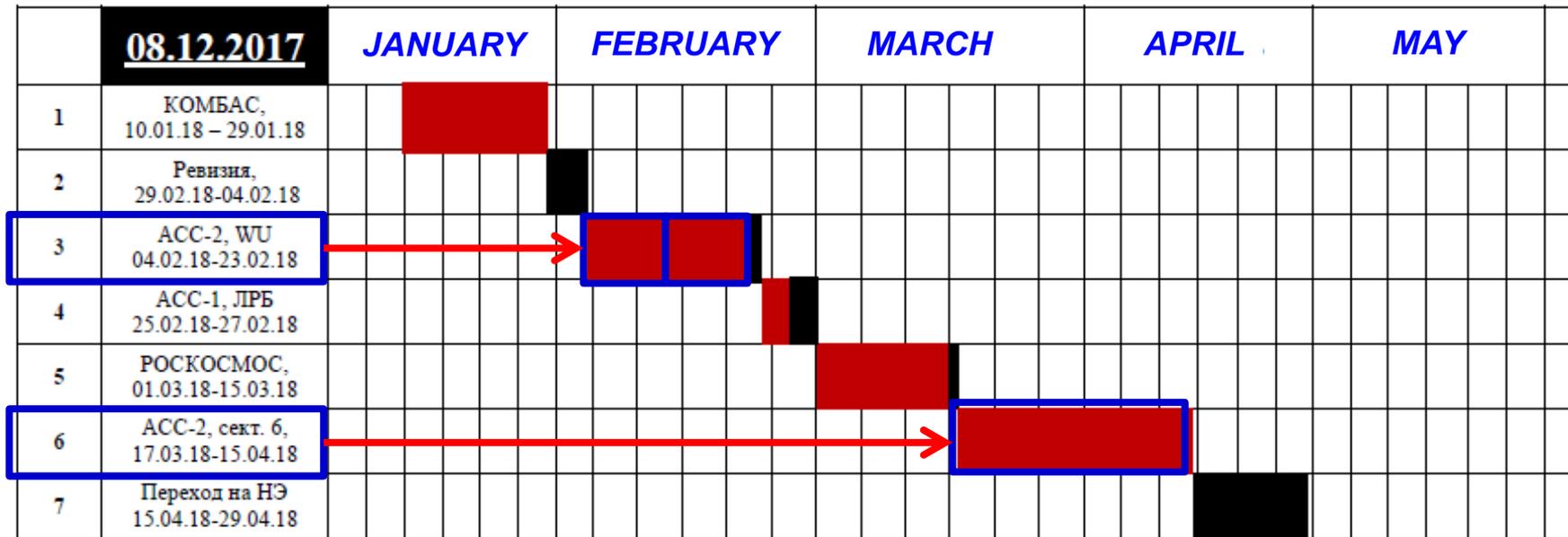


Plan for the year 2018:

${}^6\text{He}+d$ elastic and inelastic scattering at $\theta_{\text{lab}} \sim 5\text{-}80$ deg ($\sim 20\text{-}170$ CMdeg)

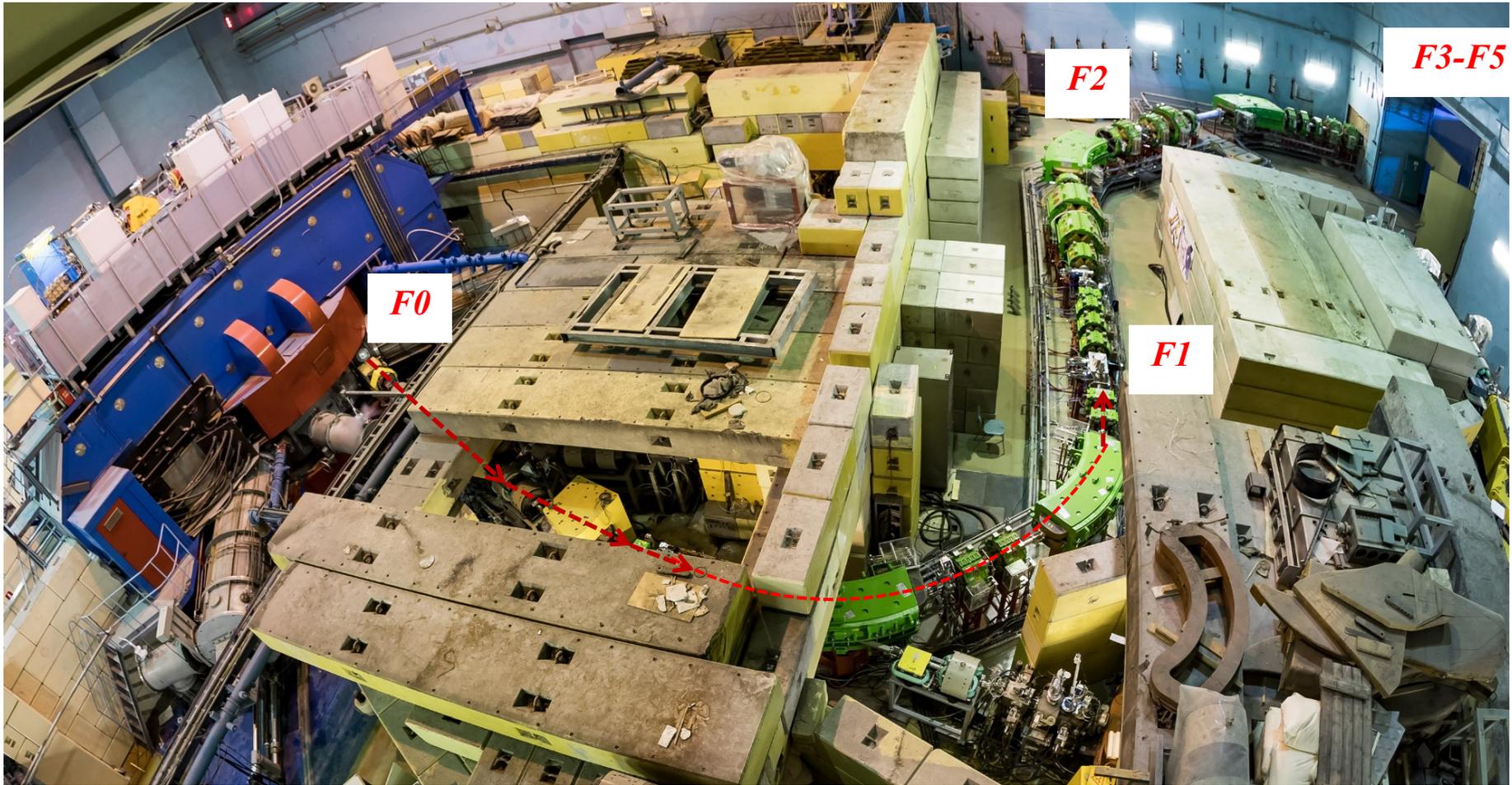
Beta-delayed alpha decay of ${}^{11}\text{Be}$: re-investigation with the use optical-TPC

$d({}^6\text{He}, {}^3\text{He}){}^5\text{H}$ invariant mass measurement and first attempt for $d({}^8\text{He}, {}^3\text{He}){}^7\text{H}$



1. КОМБАС, 10 января – 29 января 2018, **11B** 36A MeV, 1 едА.
2. Ревизия каналов. 29 января – 04 февраля 2018.
3. ACCULINNA-1(?), эксперимент (Варшавский ун-т), 4 февраля – 23 февраля 2018, **11B, 32S(?)**, 36A MeV.
4. ACCULINNA-1, эксперимент (ЛРБ), 25 февраля – 27 февраля 2018, **32S?, 11B**.
5. РОСКОСМОС, 01 марта – 15 марта 2018.
6. ACCULINNA-2, эксперимент (сектор 6 ЛЯР), 17 марта – 15 апреля 2018, **11B**, 36A MeV.
7. Переход на низкие энергии. 15 апреля – 29 апреля 2018.

Moving ahead to the flagship experiment ${}^7\text{H}$

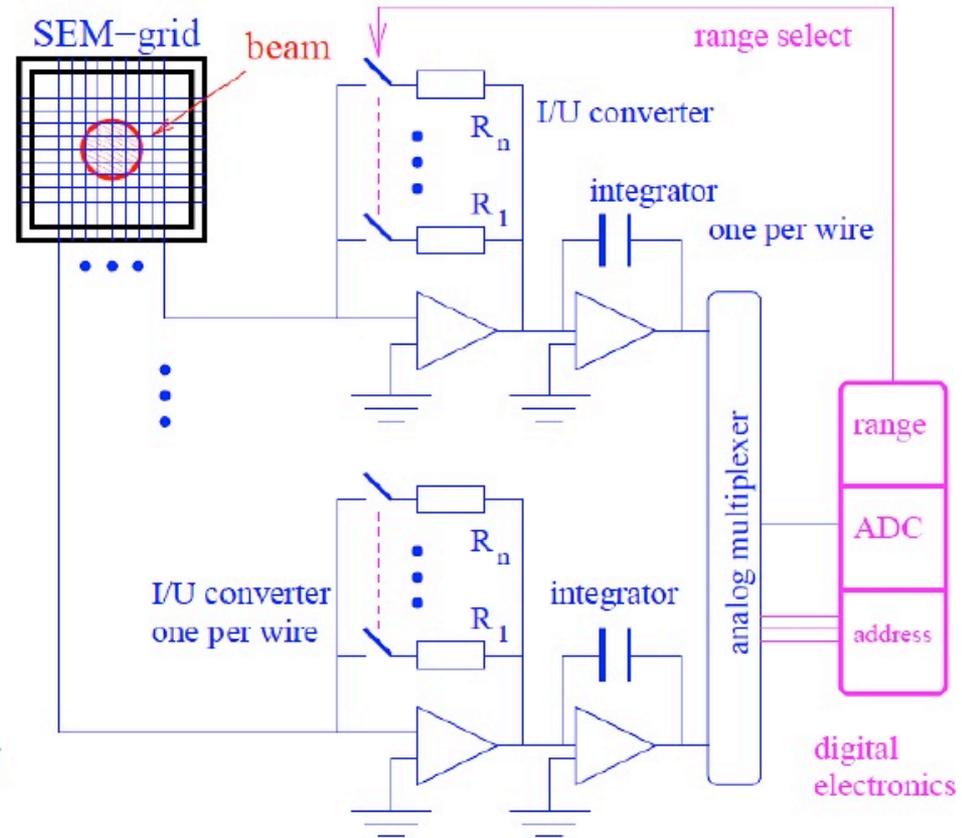
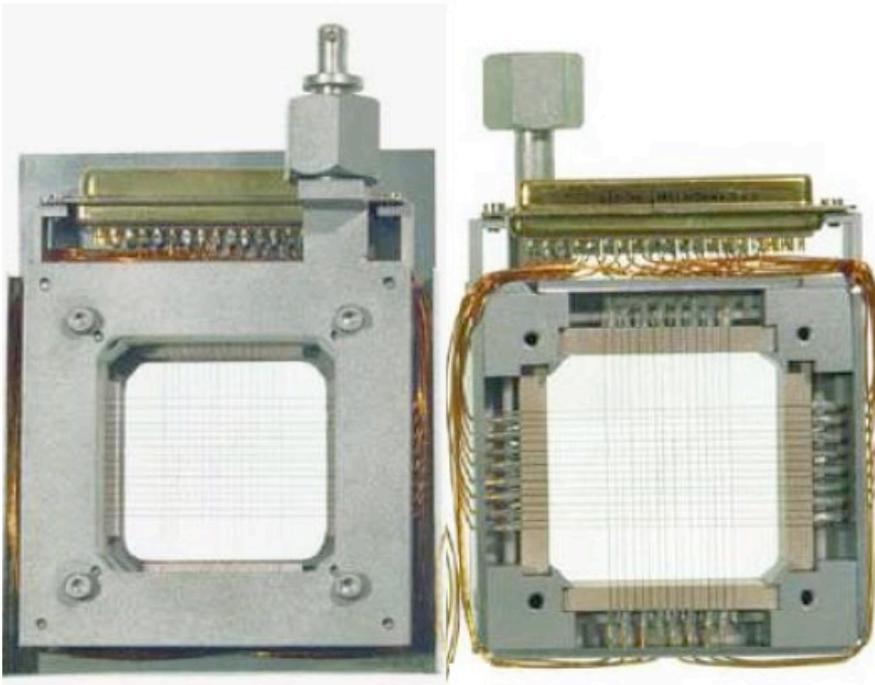


1. Primary beam diagnostics along the line **F0-F1** has been partly completed.
2. Radiation shell near movable gate at **F3** was done; at **F1-F2** area – 2018.
3. All communications at **F3-F5** (electricity, water, air condition, reaction chamber etc.) were fully completed.

Primary beam diagnostics along the line **F0-F1**: Faraday Cups & Al_2O_3

Secondary Electron Emission Crids with **POLAND** electronics (since 2018)

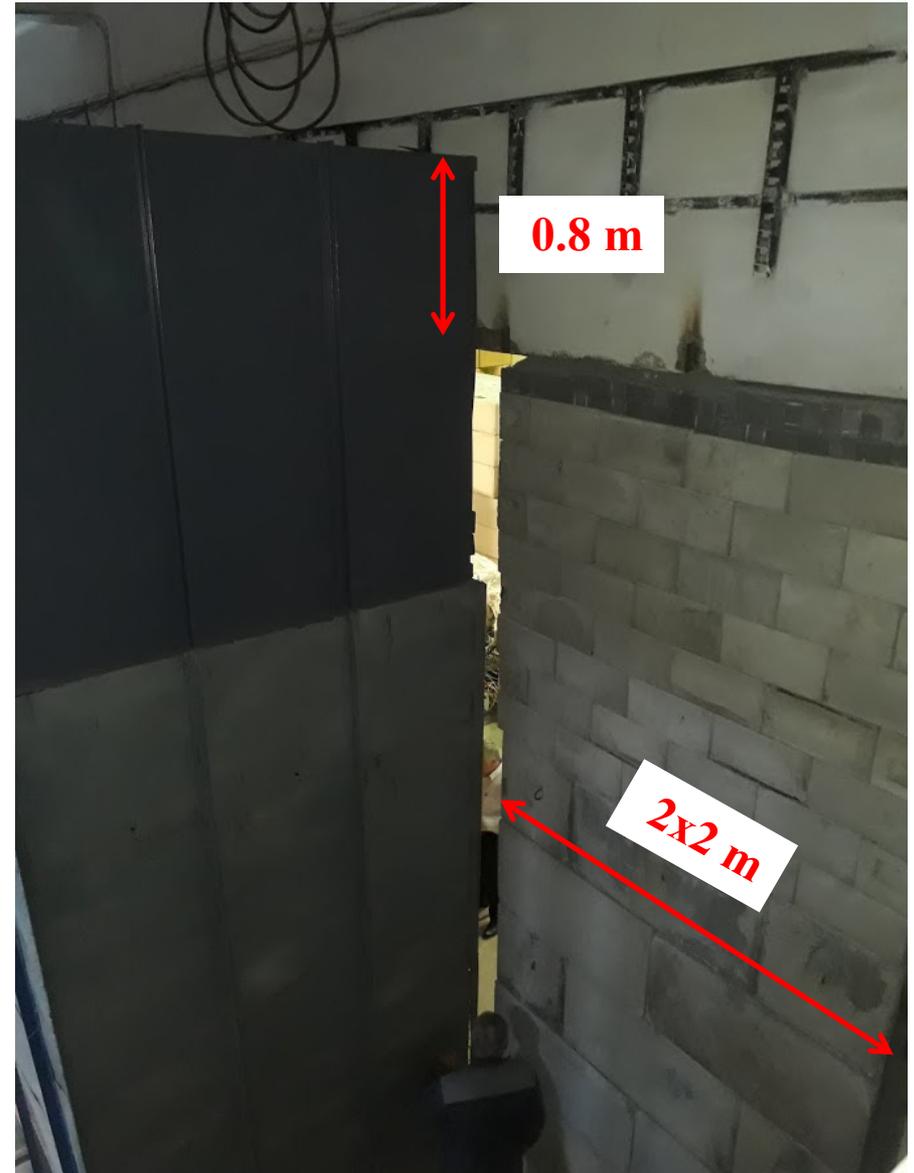
Example: 15 wire spaced by 1.5 mm:



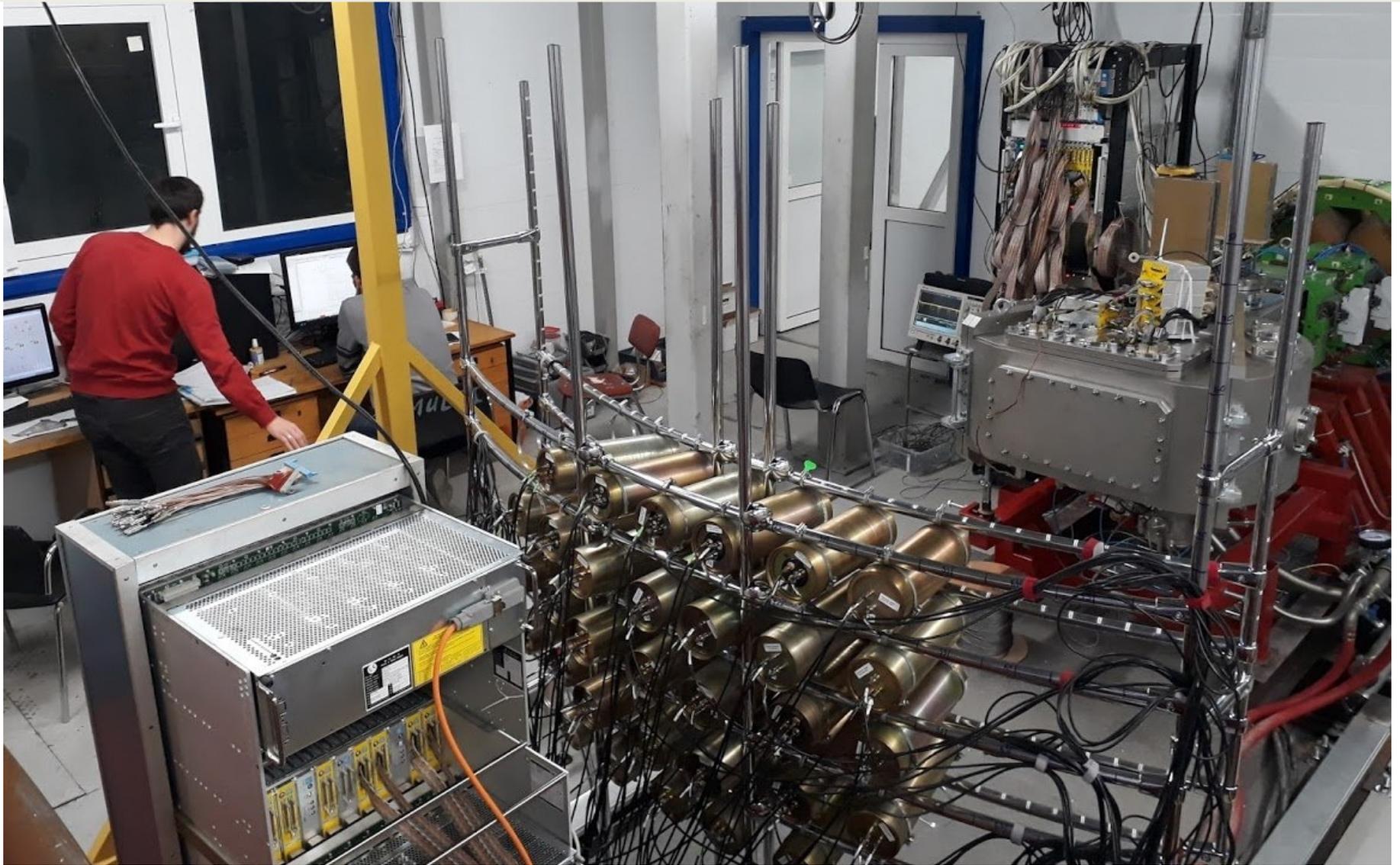
Each wire is equipped with one I/U converter
different ranges settings by R_i
 \Rightarrow very large dynamic range up to 10^6 .

**$I \sim 10^6 \div 10^{12}$ ions/wire,
permanent data,
 ~ 0.5 mm accuracy**

*Radiation shell in the area of movable gate was significantly reinforced:
a) column 2x2 m; b) top of the gate ++> overlap with a wall (August 2017)*

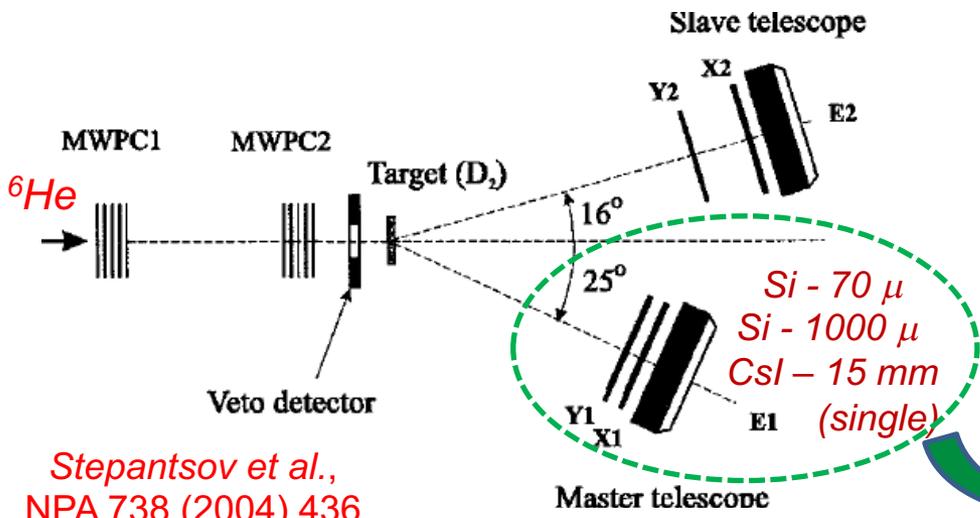


F3-F5 area was fully completed by communications, equipment and electronics

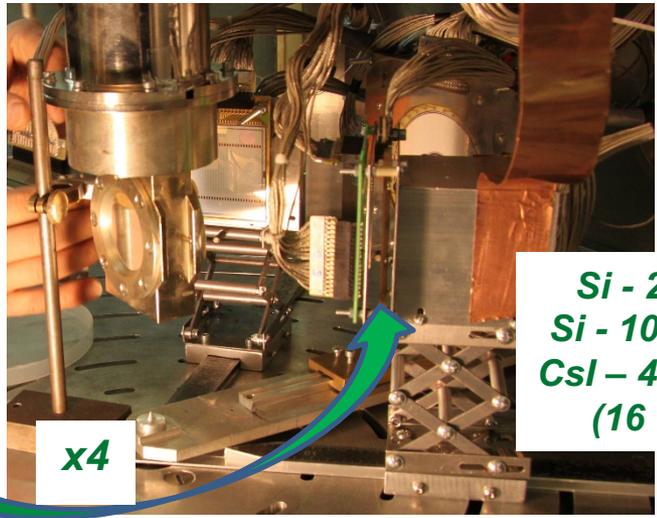


First experiment at ACCULINNA-2 was performed in December 2017 with ^{15}N primary beam ($E \sim 49$ AMeV & $I \sim 0.1 \mu\text{A}$) on the production target, Be 2 mm)

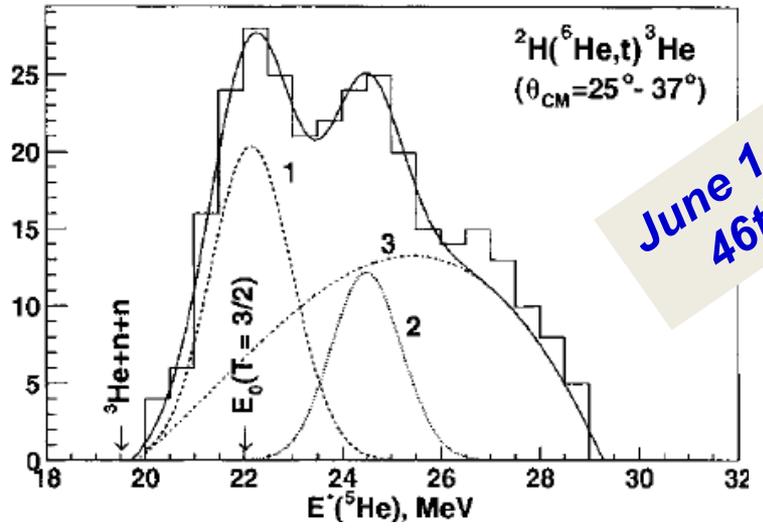
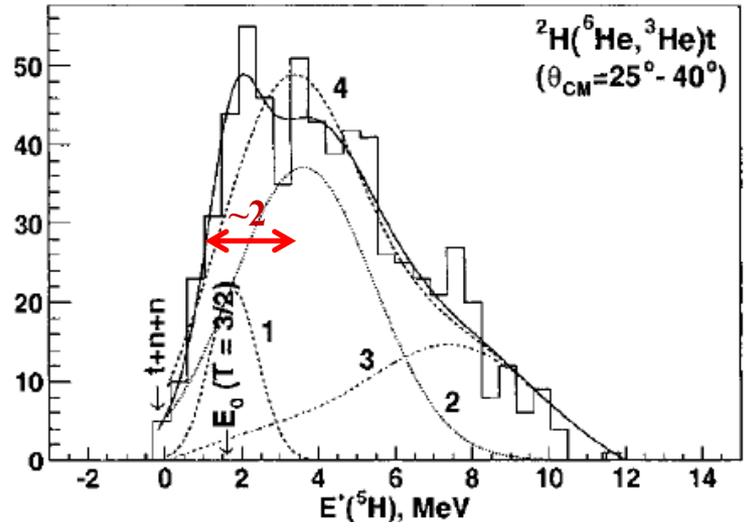
Plan on 2017: $d(^6\text{He}, ^3\text{He})^5\text{H}$ as a tool for the main run $d(^8\text{He}, ^3\text{He})^7\text{H}$
*** cross section values for the $1p$ and $1n$ transfer reactions in a wide θ_{CM}**
**** improvement in missing mass measurements via novel telescopes**



Stepantsov et al.,
 NPA 738 (2004) 436



Si - 22 μ
 Si - 1000 μ
 CsI - 45 mm
 (16 units)



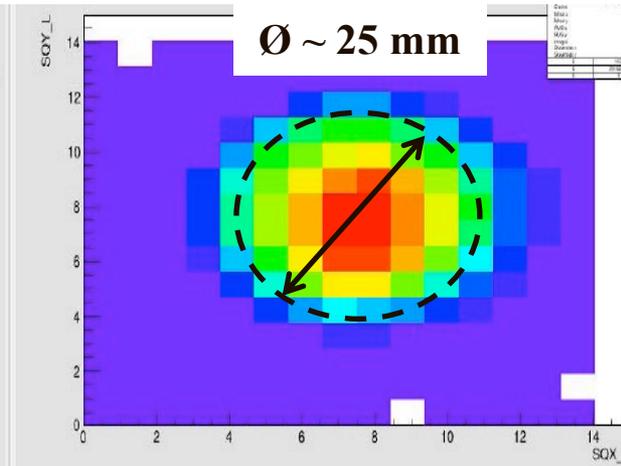
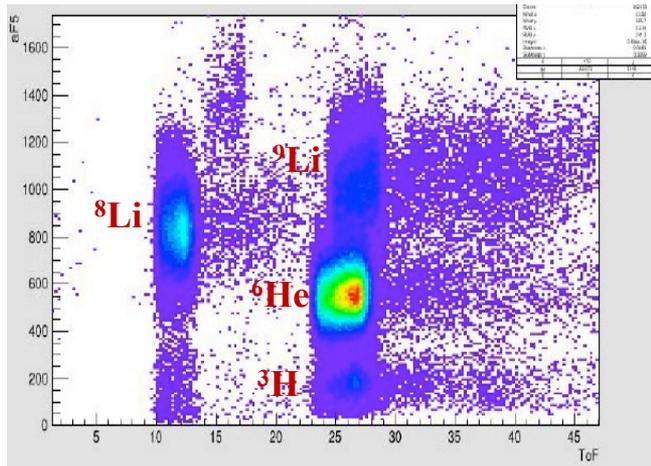
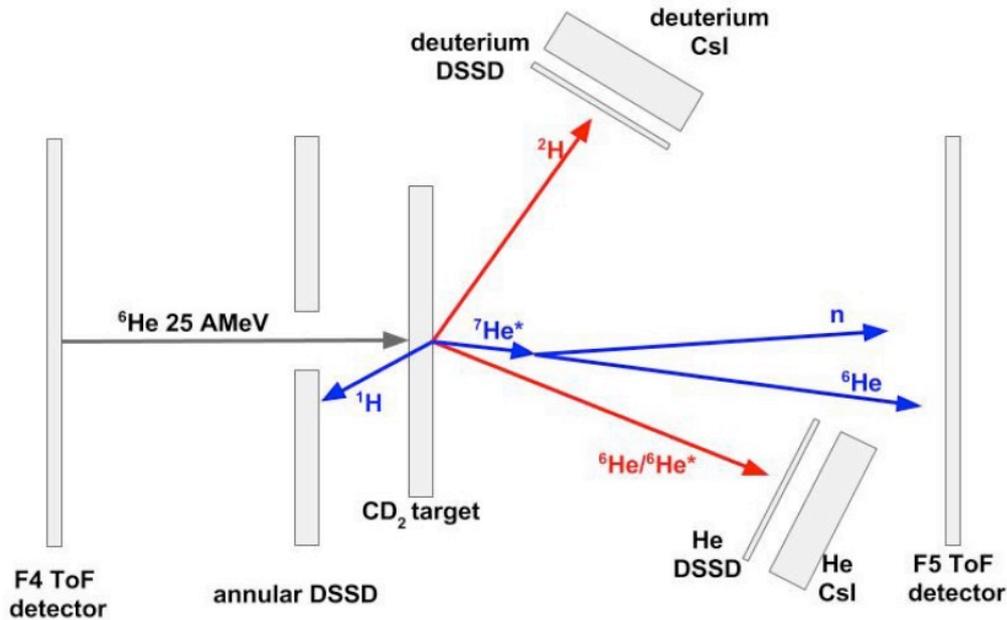
June 14, 2017
 46th PAC

^5H (left) and ^5He (right) energy spectra depending on ^3He - t coincidences

Experimental program in 2017 was a little bit modified:

${}^6\text{He}+d$ (elastic and inelastic scattering in a wide θ_{CM}) instead of $d({}^6\text{He},{}^3\text{He}){}^5\text{H}$

Motivation: *pure information about OP, more simple run, short expositions*

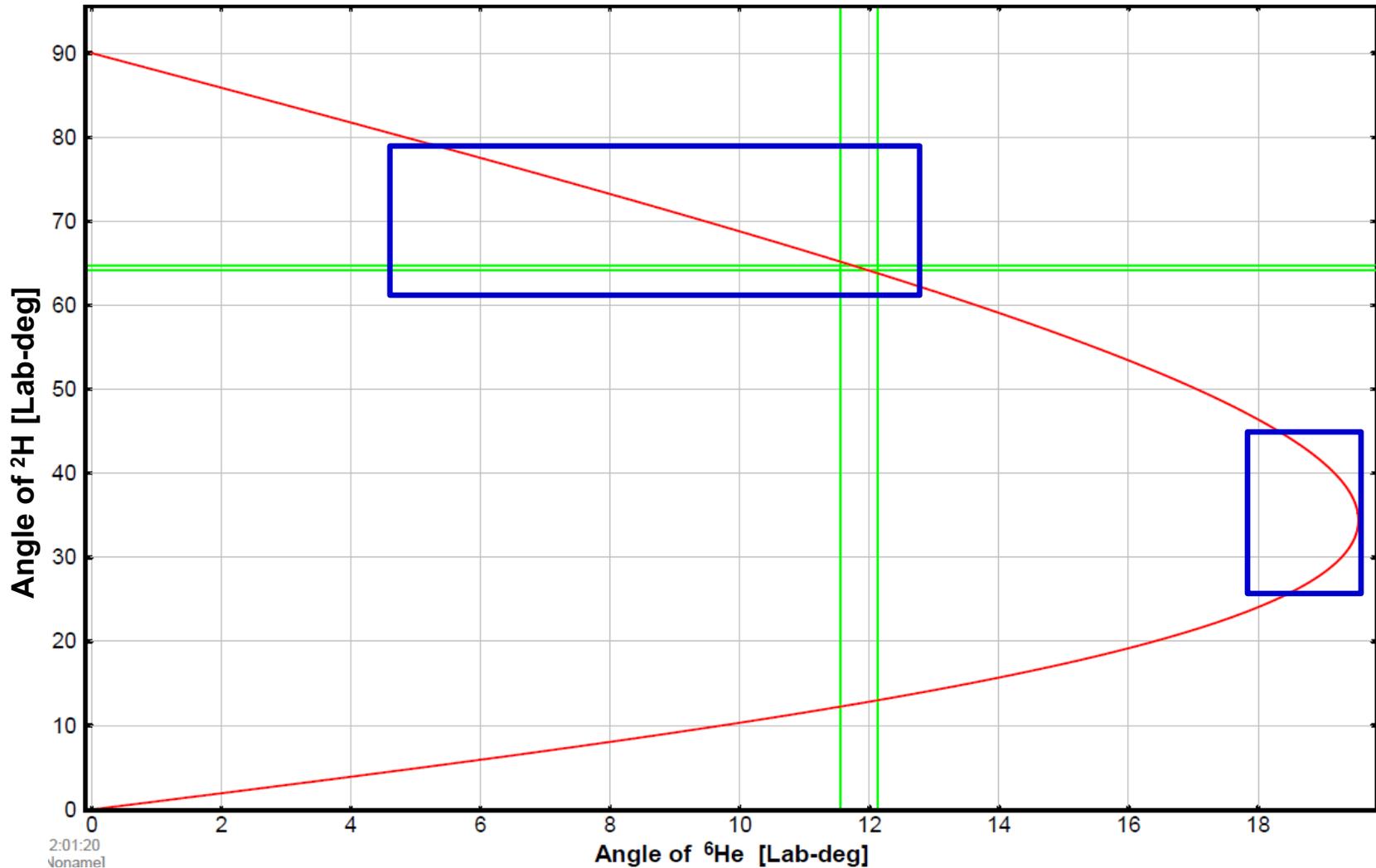


2×10^5 ${}^6\text{He}/\text{s}$ @ 0.1 μA
 $\Delta p/p = 3\%$
 $P \sim 75\%$
 $E \sim 38 \text{ AMeV}$

Preliminary results of the first exposition in December 2017.

d-⁶He coincidences were measured in the following two ranges:

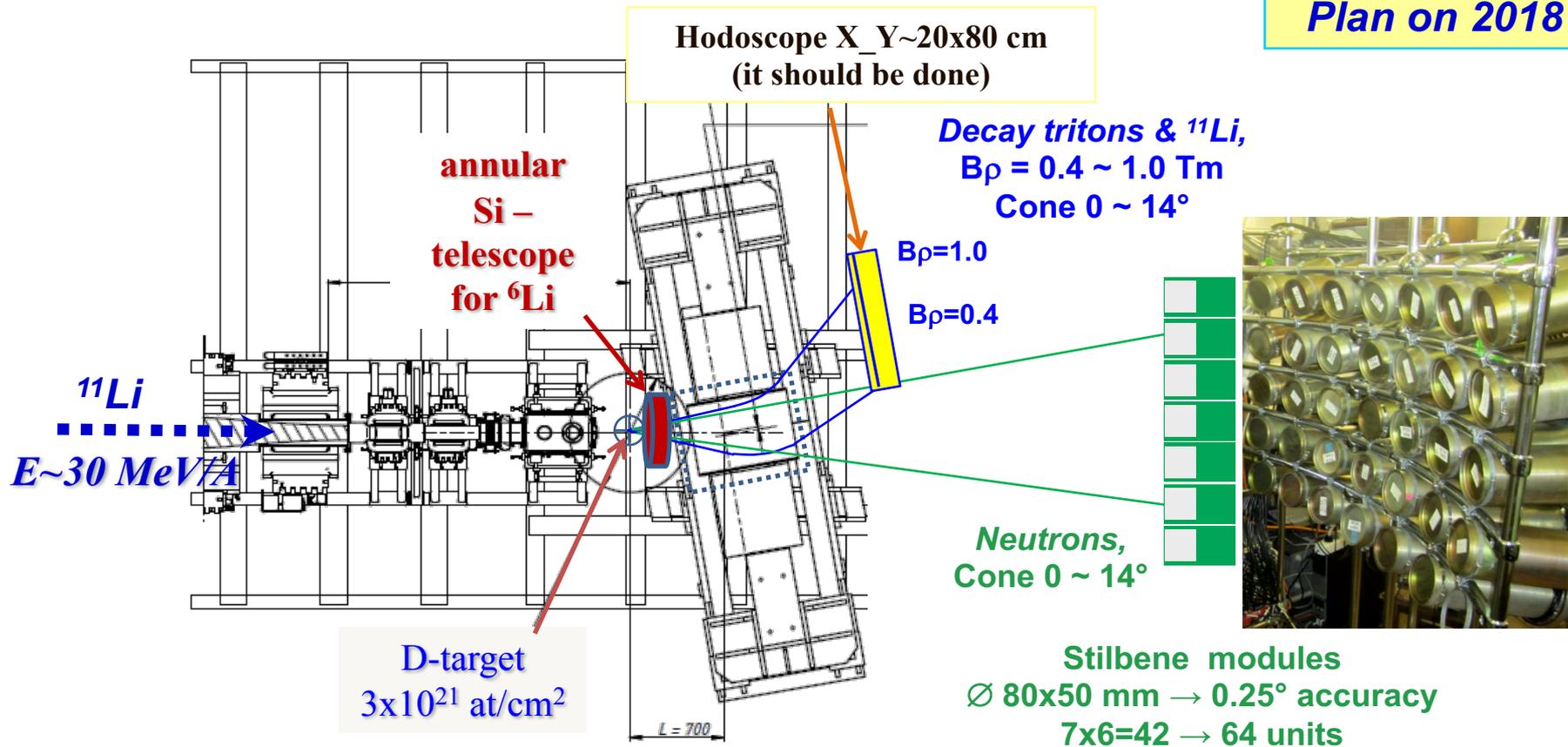
25-45 LABdeg (~130-90 CMdeg) and 60-80 LABdeg (~20-60 CMdeg)



Plan: 5-80 LABdeg (20-170 CMdeg) for both elastic and inelastic process

Hunt for ${}^7\text{H}$ and search for the $4n$ radioactivity in the $d({}^{11}\text{Li}, {}^6\text{Li}){}^7\text{H}$ reaction

Plan on 2018

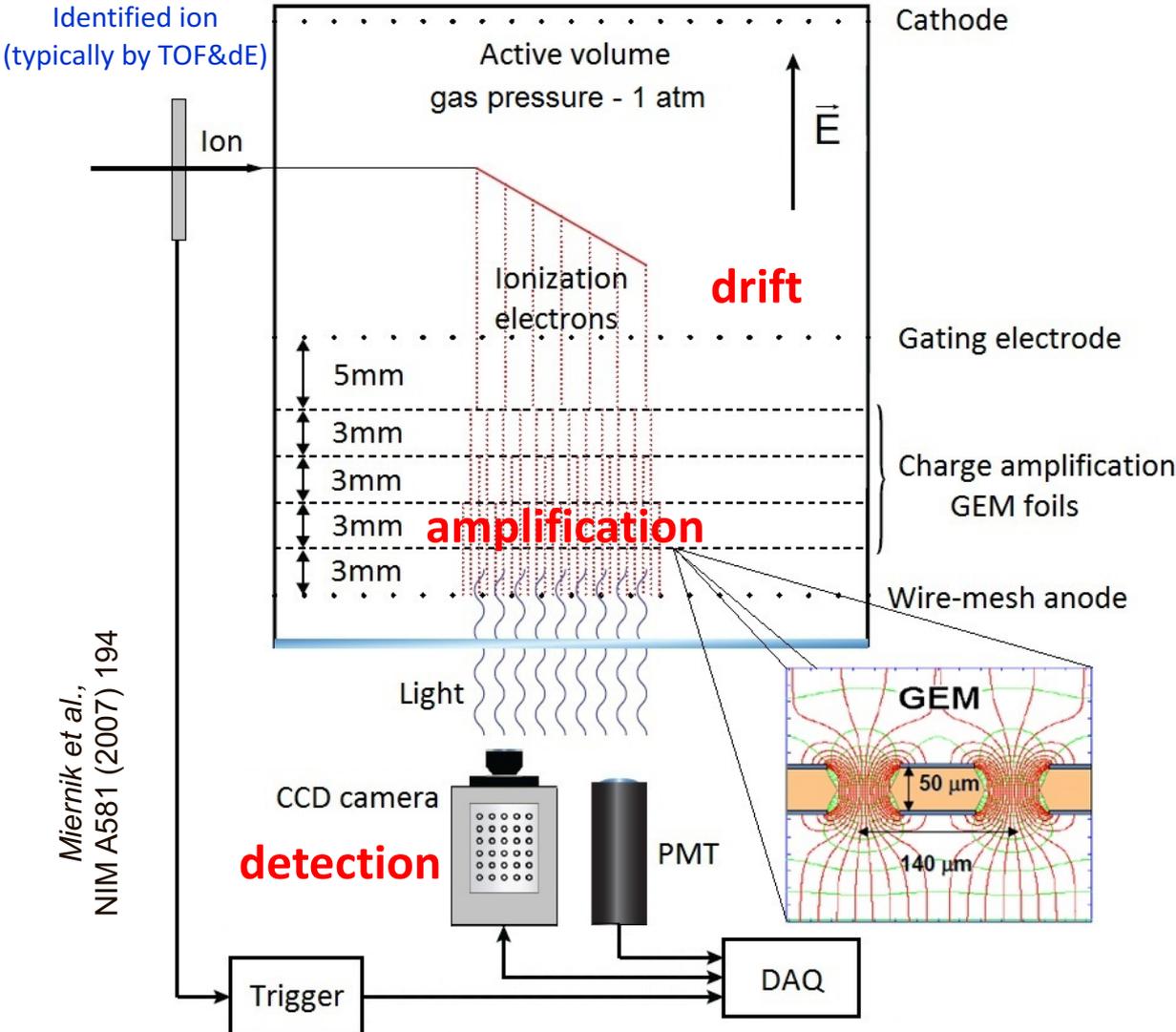
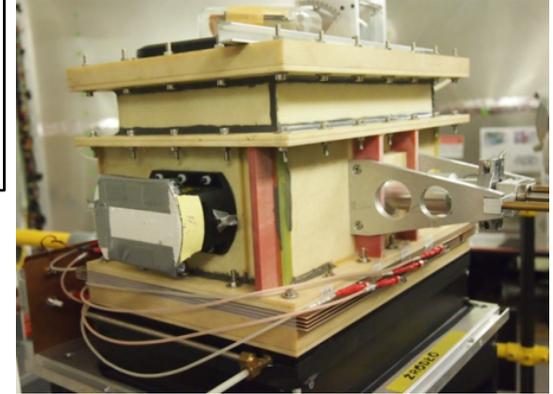


* $I({}^{11}\text{Li} @ 30 \text{ A MeV}) \sim 2 \times 10^4 \text{ pps} \implies \sim 100 \text{ } {}^7\text{H} \text{ events/day (missing mass)}$

** Decay energy will be measured with around 100 keV resolution,
 $\sim 3 \text{ events/day (} {}^6\text{Li-t-n coincidences)}$

Experimental tool - Optical Time Projection Chamber

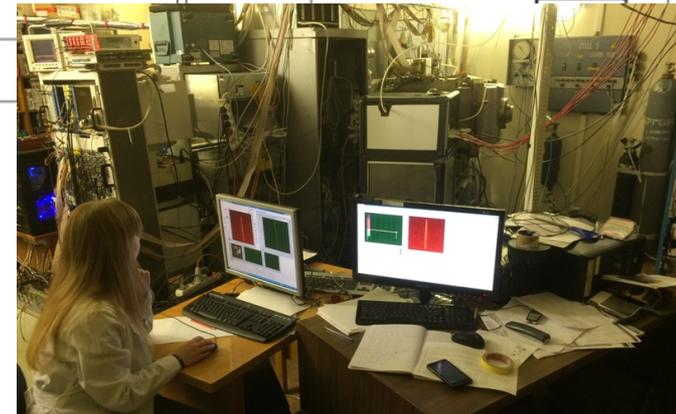
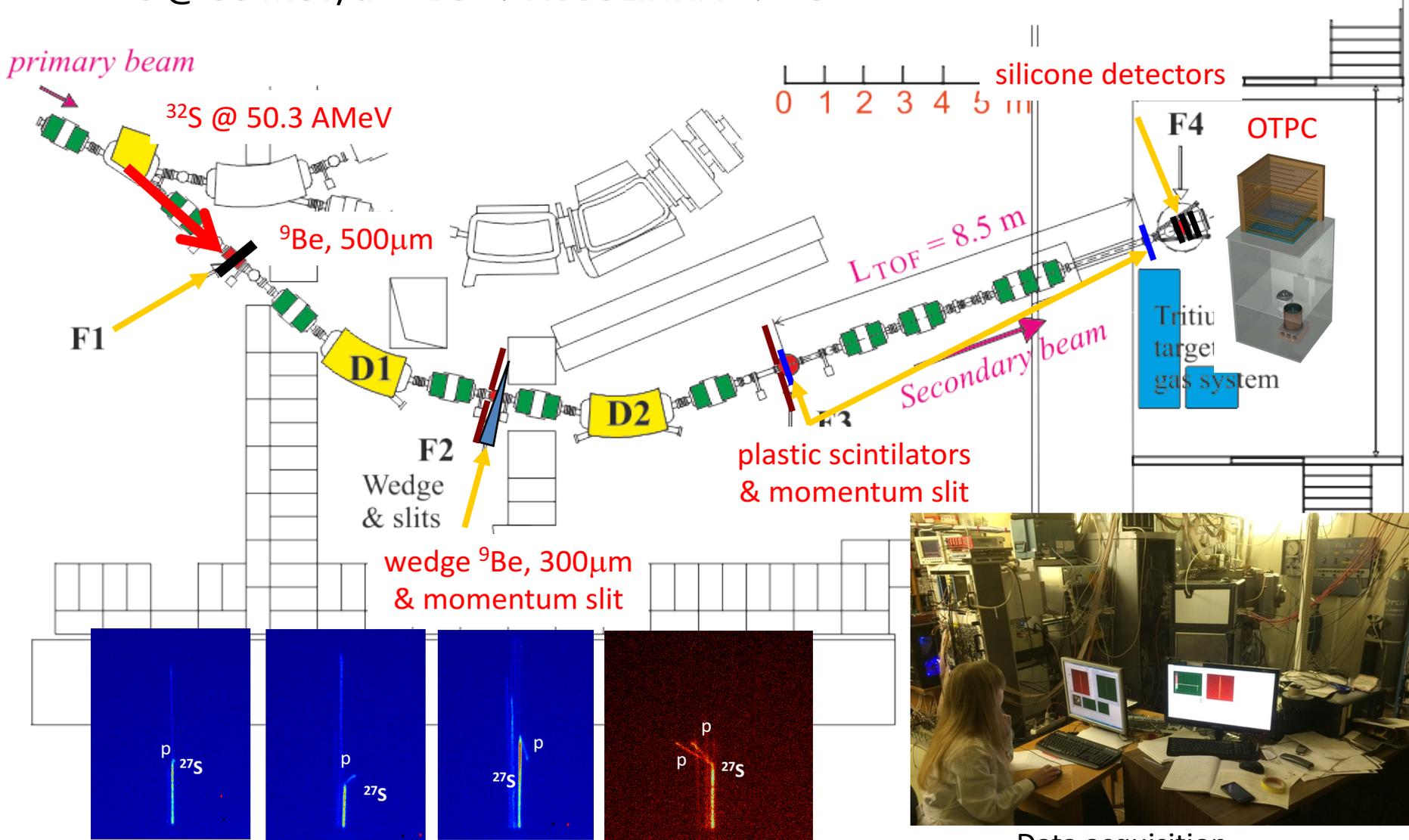
Optical Time Projection Chamber (OTPC) - A new type of modern ionization chamber with an optical readout. Invented at the University of Warsaw by W. Dominik



Miernik et al.,
NIM A581 (2007) 194

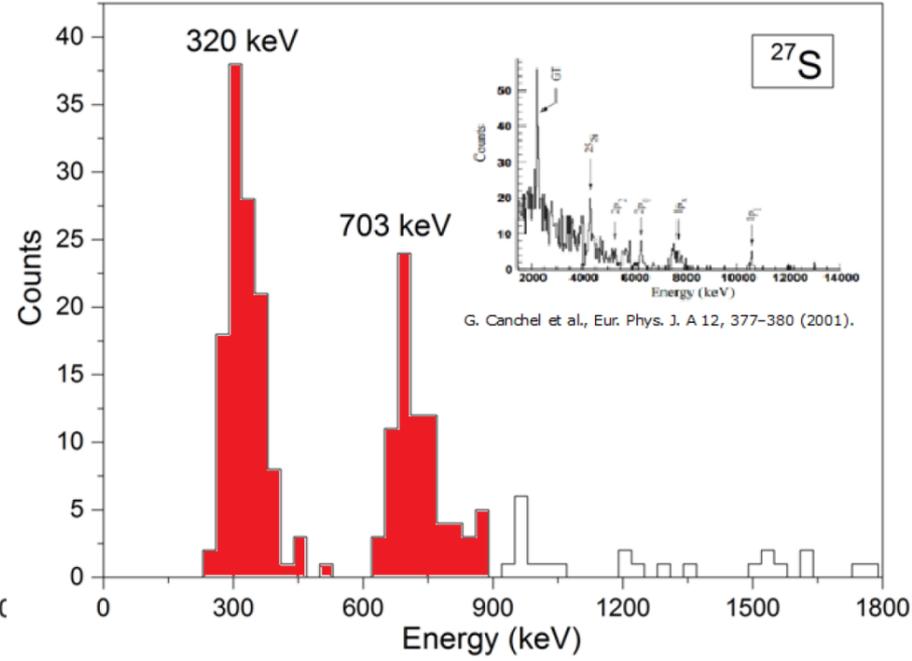
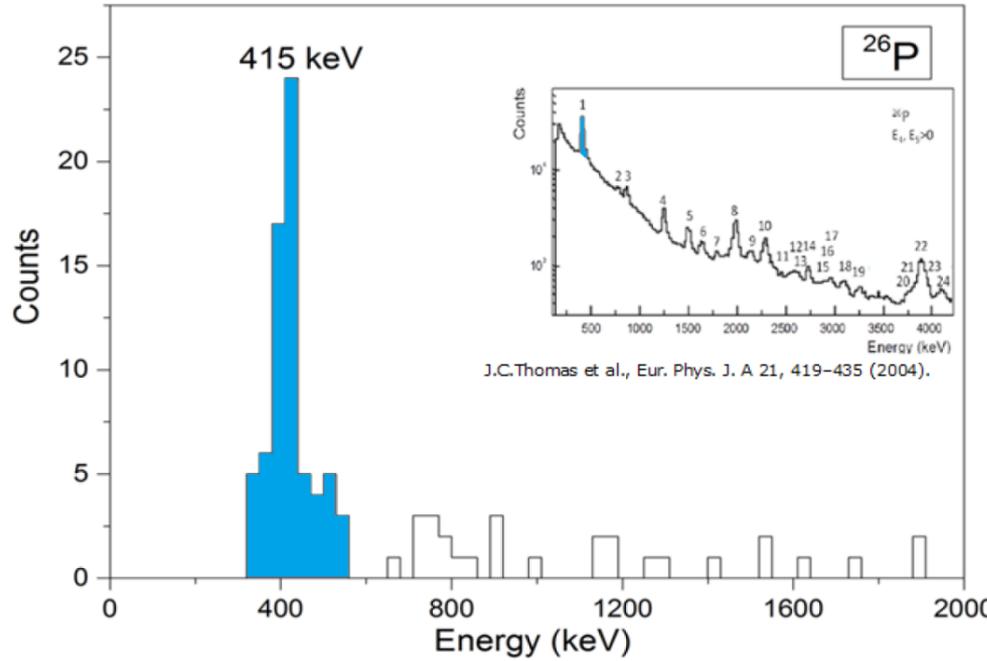


Study of β -delayed charged particle emission from ^{27}S and ^{26}P



Data acquisition

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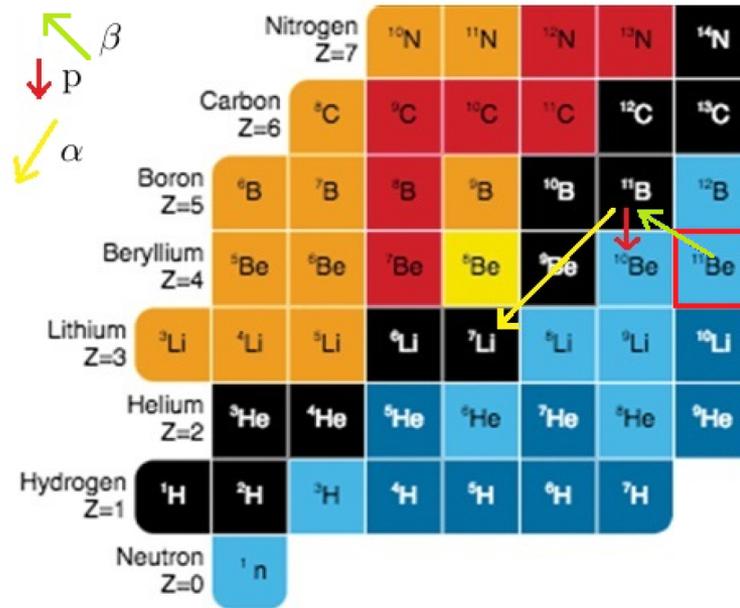
^{26}P				^{27}S			
$P_{\beta p}$	$P_{\beta p}$	$P_{\beta 2p}$	P_{tot}	$P_{\beta p}$	$P_{\beta p}$	$P_{\beta 2p}$	P_{tot}
415 κэВ	~800 κэВ			320 κэВ	710 κэВ		
10.4(9)% ÷ 13.8(10)%	1.1(3)%	1.5(4)%	35(2)%	24(3)% ÷ 28(2)%	> 6.7(8)%	3.0(6)%	64(3)%
17.96(90)%	2.5(3)%	2.2(3)%	39(2)%	2.3±0.9%	1.1±0.5%	~ 4%	
<i>Thomas et al., EPJ A21 (2004) 419</i>				<i>Canchel et al., EPJ A12 (2001) 377</i>			
				$P_{\beta 3p} < 0.08\%$			

L. Janiak, N Sokolowska et al., PRC 95 (2017) 034315, N Sokolowska Master Thesis, AGH, Krakow 2016

In 2018/2019 new measurements of β -delayed particle emission from ^{27}S @ ACCULINNA-2 are planned
 → much better statistic of two orders of magnitude is expected (we plane tu purify the beam with RF-kicker)

Study of β -delayed particle emission from ^{11}Be

One of the approaches of study of ^{11}Be by means of the OTPC at ACCULINNA-2
 Accurate determination of the branching ratio of β -delayed α emission decay



- ▶ 1n halo nucleus
- ▶ $T_{1/2} = 13.76(7) \text{ s}$
- ▶ decay modes:

- β^- , BR = 100%
- $\beta^- \alpha$, BR = 3.1(4)% [1]
- $\beta^- p$, BR:

- * theoretical predictions $\sim 10^{-8}$
- * experimental **indirect** measurement $\sim 10^{-6}$ [2]
- * NO DIRECT observation so far

[1] - D. Millener et al., Phys. Rev. C66 (1992) 1167-1185
 [2] - K. Riisager et al., Phys. Lett. B 732, 305 (2014).

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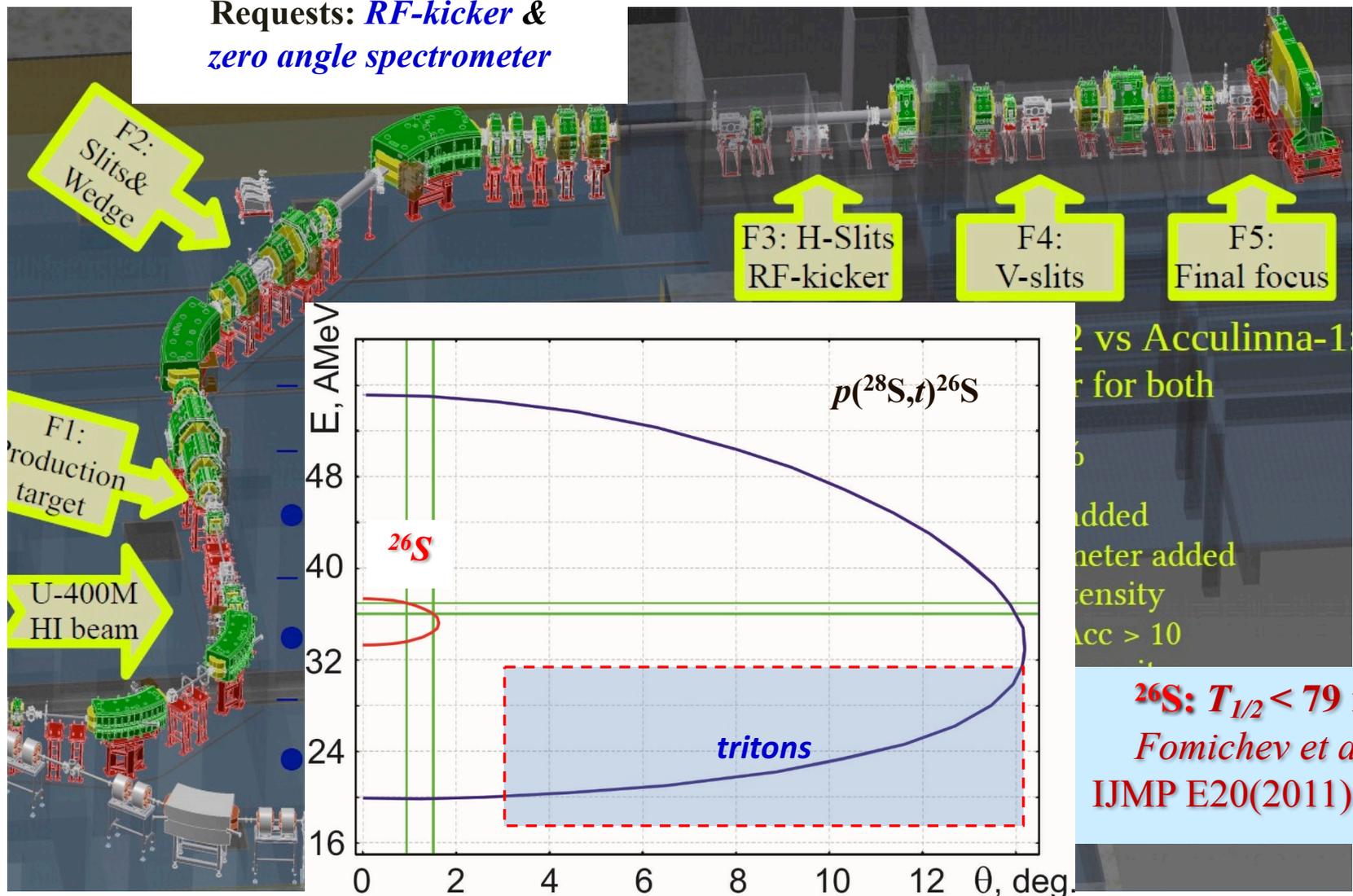
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Plan on 2019:

**^{26}S in the reaction $p(^{28}\text{S},t)^{26}\text{S}$: $I(^{28}\text{S}) \sim 10^3$ pps, $P \sim 25\%$, $E \sim 38$ MeV/A,
 1 mm liquid H_2 , $\sigma \sim 200$ $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr} \implies \sim 10$ events ^{26}S per week**

Requests: *RF-kicker & zero angle spectrometer*



vs Acculinn-1:
 for both
 6
 added
 meter added
 density
 acc > 10

$^{26}\text{S}: T_{1/2} < 79$ ns
Fomichev et al.,
 IJMP E20(2011)1491

- ACCULINNA-2 fragment separator commissioned in 2017 is now ready for first-day experiments.
- The intensities obtained in the fragmentation reaction ^{15}N (49.7 AMeV) + ^9Be for the RIBs of ^{14}B , ^{12}Be , $^{9,11}\text{Li}$, $^{6,8}\text{He}$ were on average 25 times higher in comparison with the values for old facility.
- The first-priority experimental program with RIBs is focused on $^6\text{He}+d$ scattering, beta-delayed exotic decays of ^{11}Be and $^{5,7}\text{H}$ study.
- Further experiments (with RF-kicker and zero angle spectrometer) will be aimed on ^{26}S observation in (p,t) reaction with ^{28}S .
- We are open for collaboration

Thank you for attention

