



High Current Results from the 2X Scaled Penning Source

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70 MeV 4 tank Drift Tube Linac

665 keV RFQ

800 MeV 160 kW Rapid Cycling Synchrotron

Target Station 1
21 Neutron beamlines
4 Muon beamlines

Target Station 2
11 Neutron beamlines

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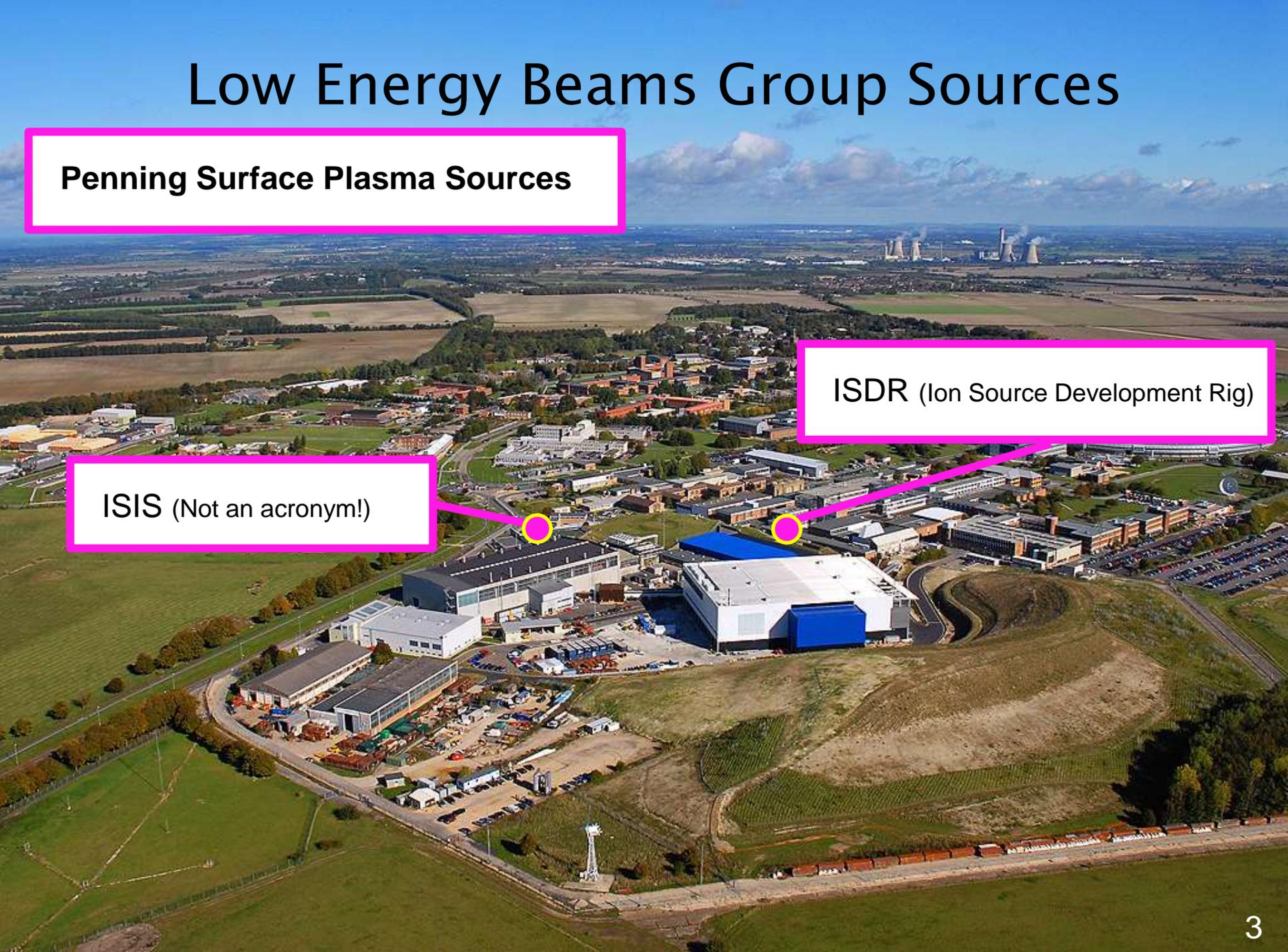
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Low Energy Beams Group Sources

Penning Surface Plasma Sources

ISIS (Not an acronym!)

ISDR (Ion Source Development Rig)





ISIS

Operational sources run for 2-3 weeks before scheduled changes

All operational sources are pre-tested
Also used for ancillary equipment tests

ISDR



Sources routinely produce
55 mA 250 μ s 50 Hz H⁻ beams

However only 25 mA is transported
through LINAC tank 1 because there
is no MEBT!

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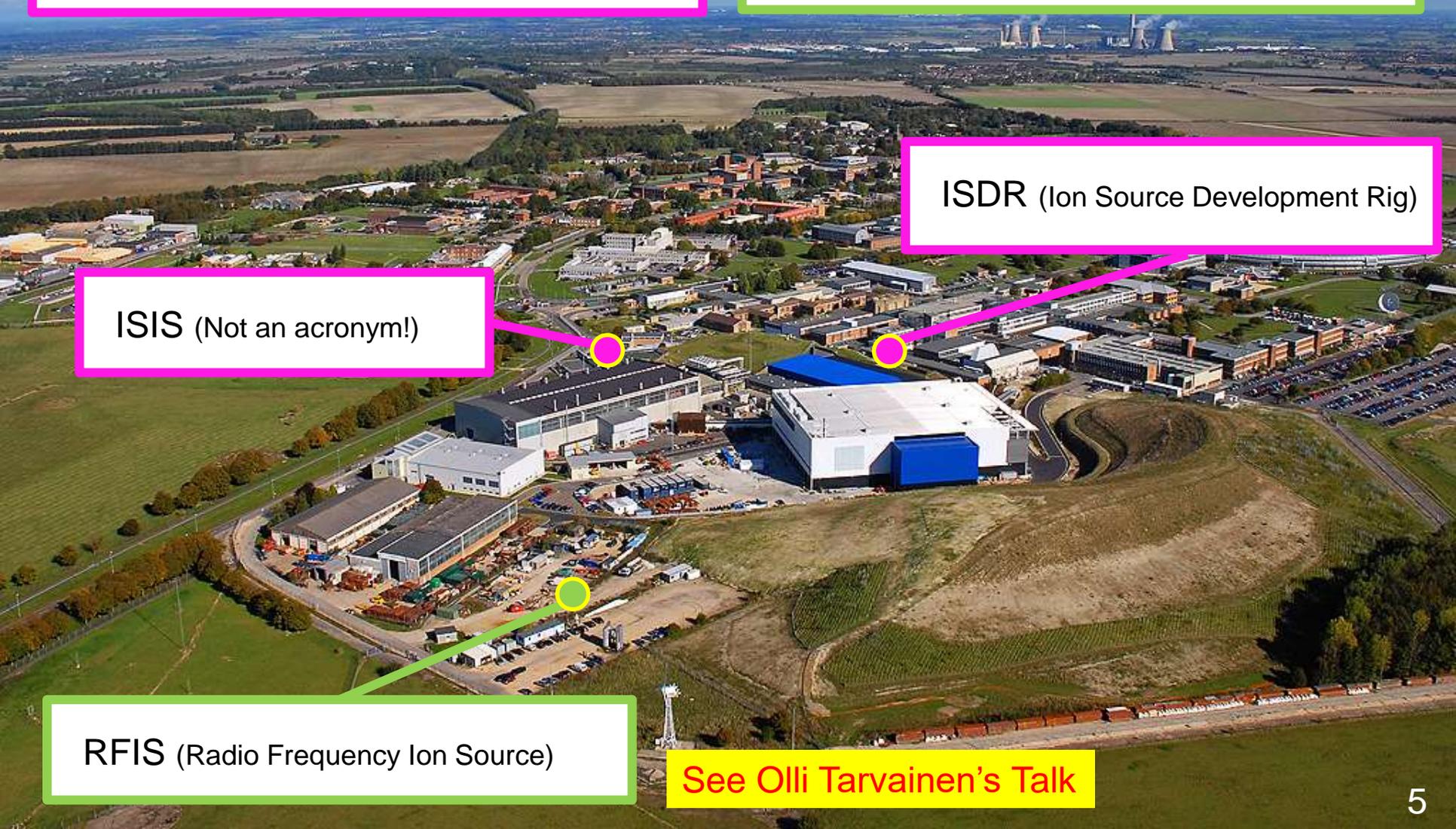
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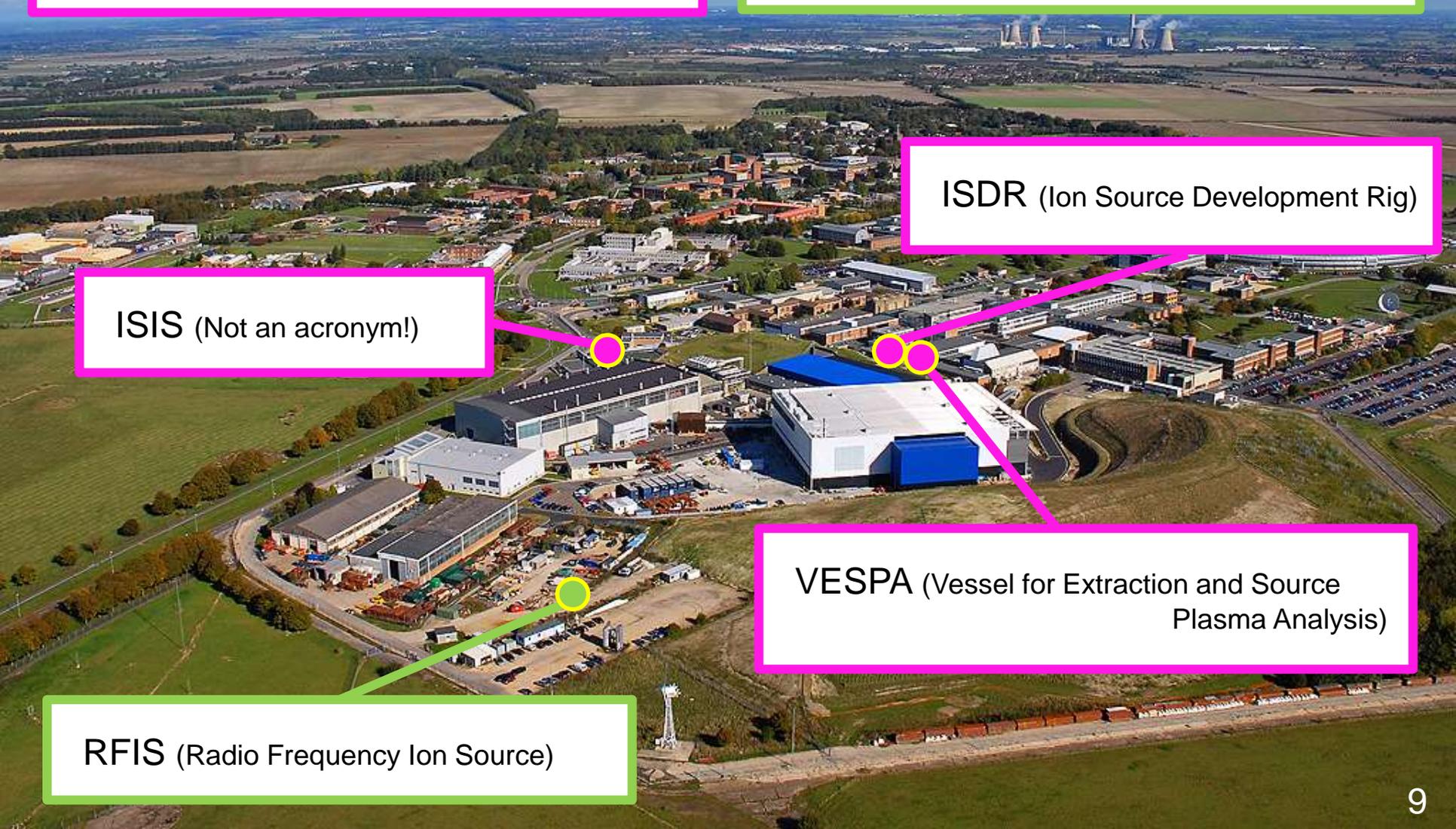
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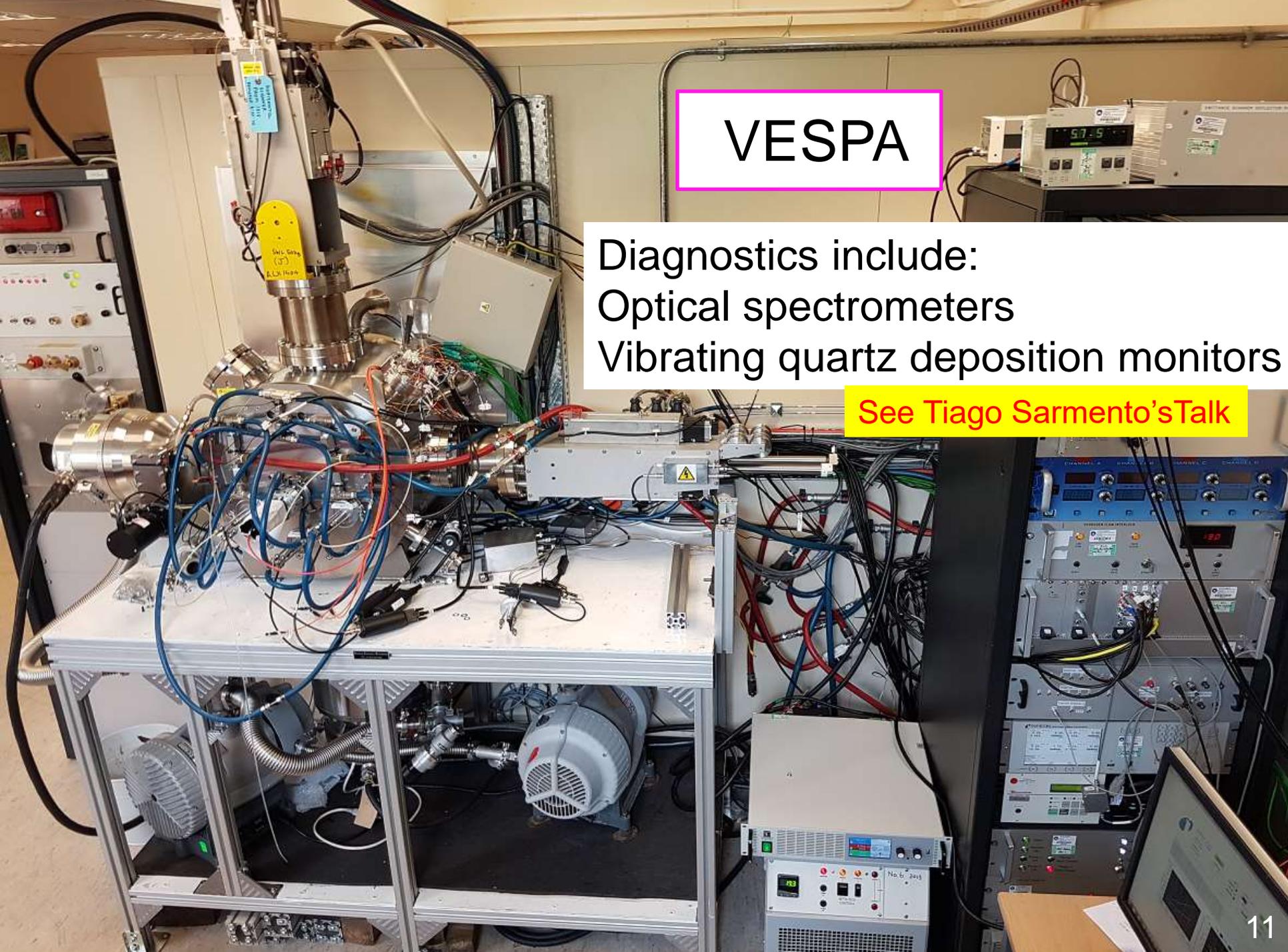
VESPA



VESPA

Diagnostics include:
Optical spectrometers
Vibrating quartz deposition monitors

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FETS (Front End Test Stand)

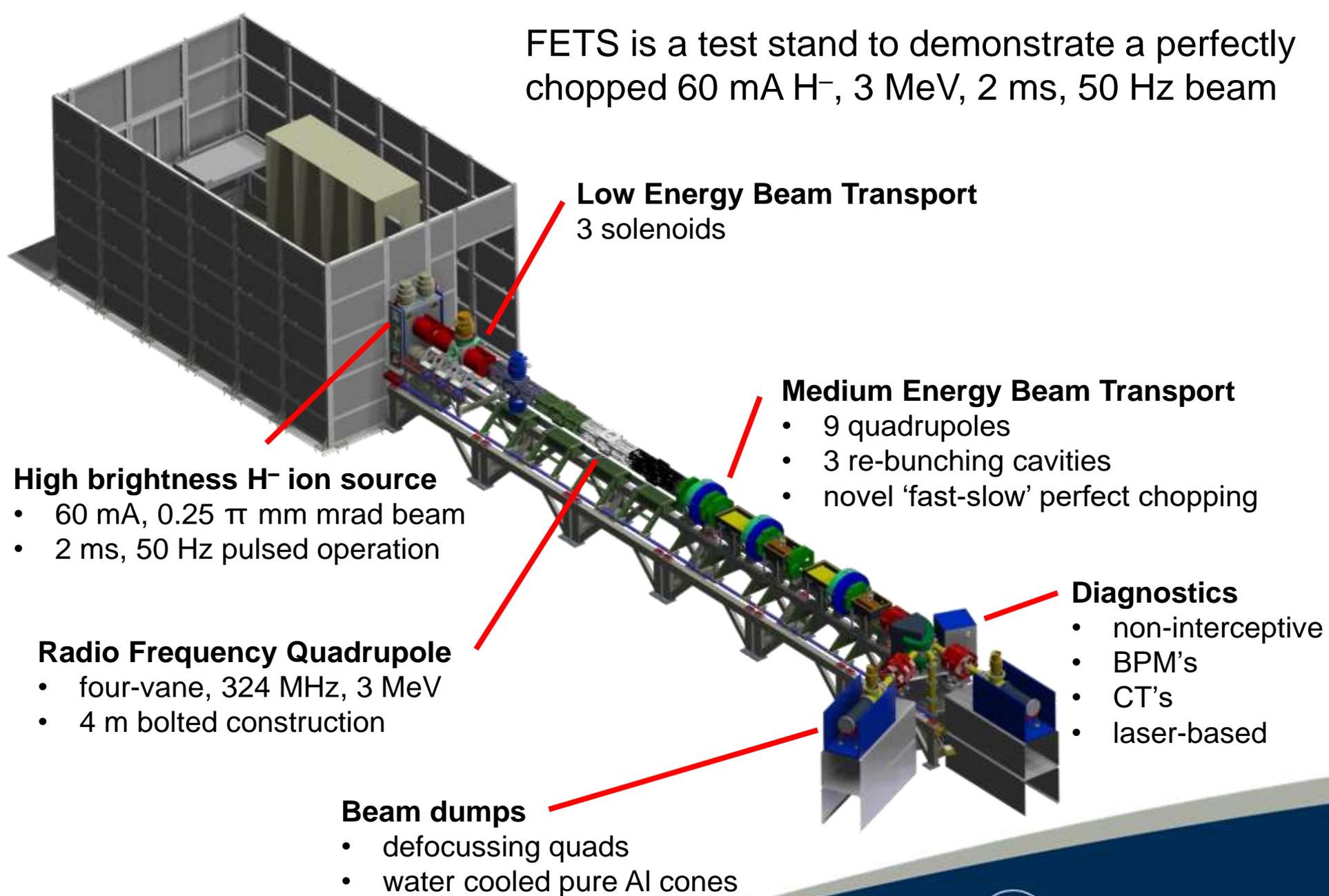
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FETS is a test stand to demonstrate a perfectly chopped 60 mA H⁻, 3 MeV, 2 ms, 50 Hz beam

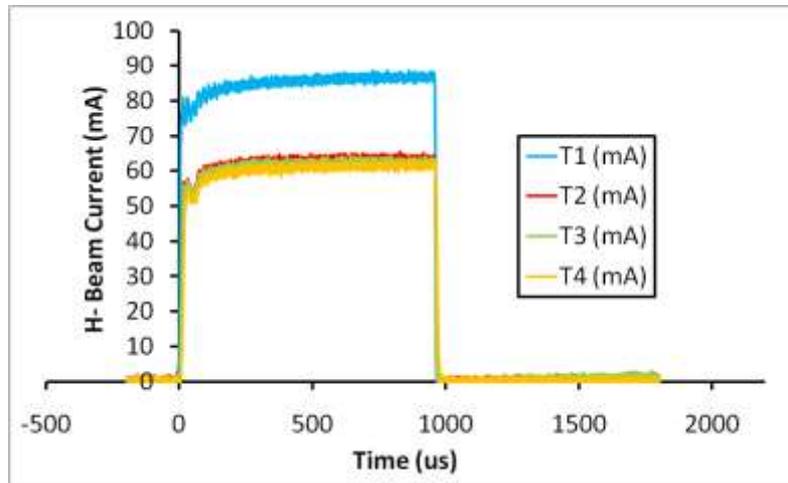


FETS September 2018
RFQ is being installed



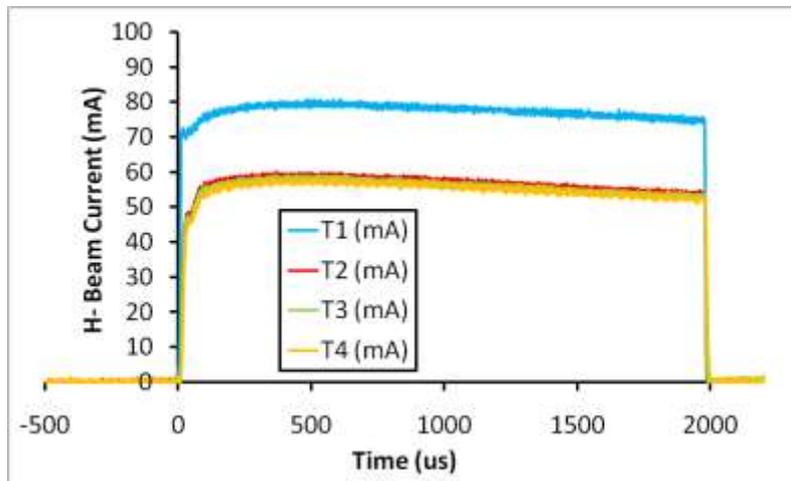
Limit of the 1X Source

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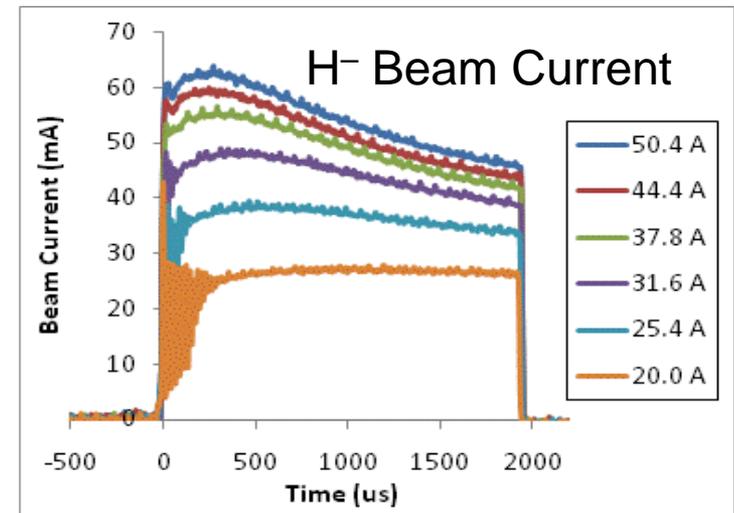


60 mA 1 ms 50 Hz

or



60 mA 2 ms 25 Hz

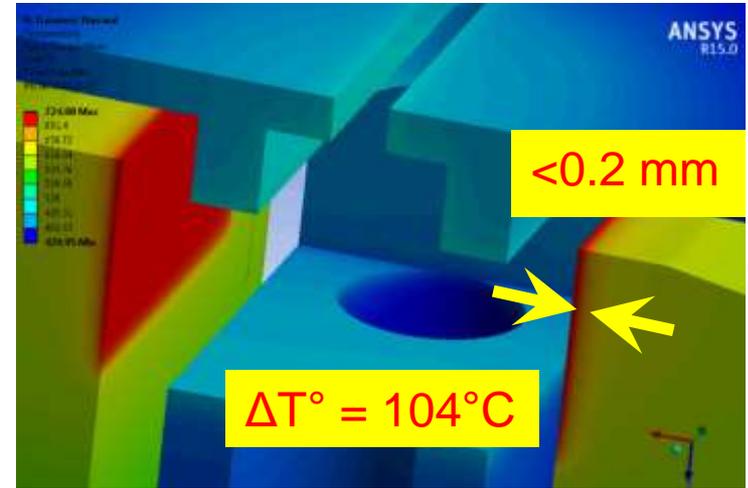
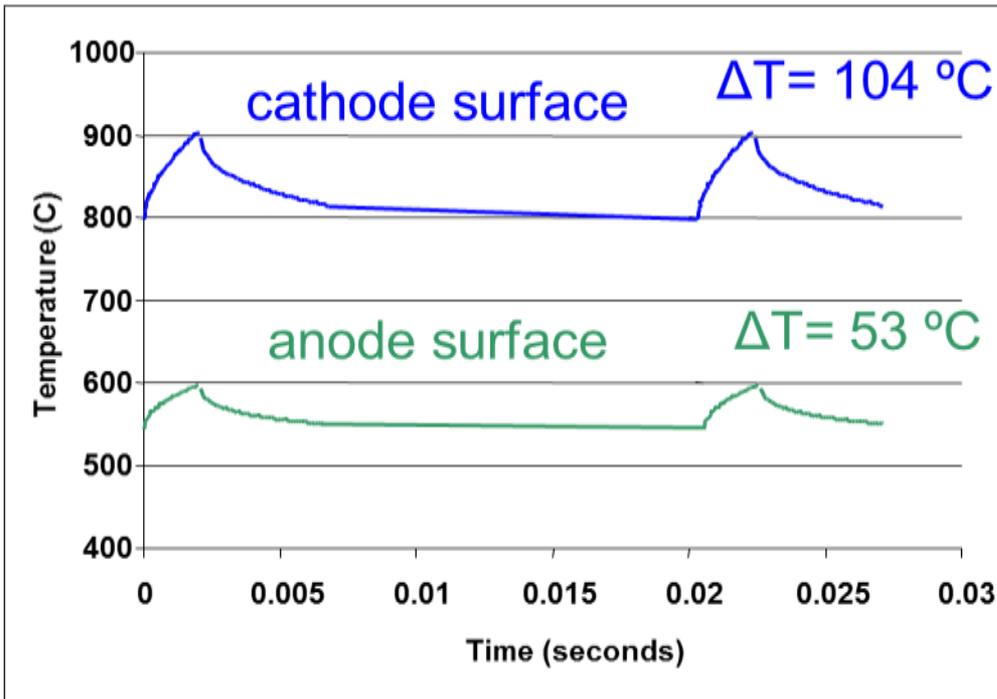
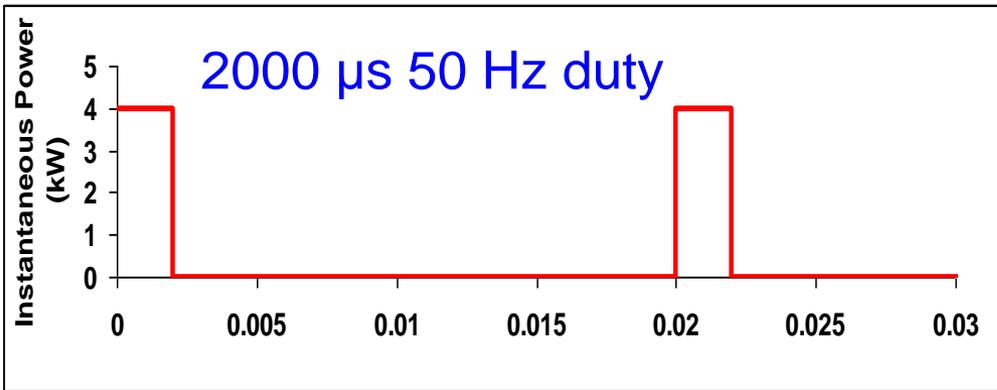


Droop is unavoidable at 50 Hz 2 ms



Duty factor limited thermal problems:

1. TRANSIENT PROBLEM



Transient surface temperature rise occurs in a very thin layer

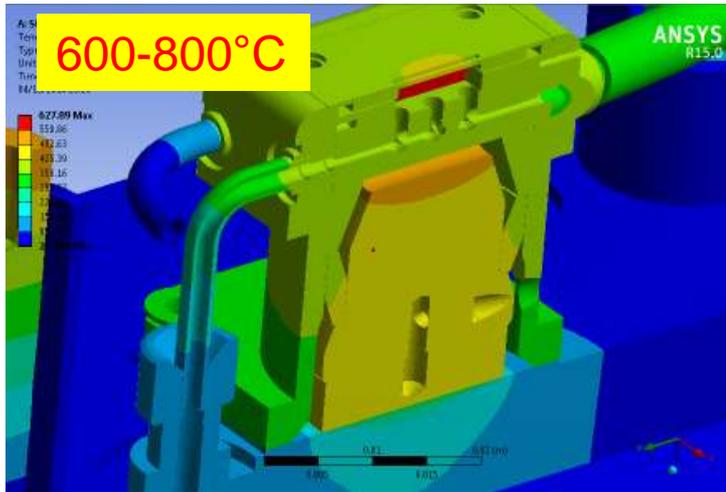
SOLUTION

Reduce plasma power density by increasing surface area = Scaling



Duty factor limited thermal problems:

2. STEADY STATE PROBLEM

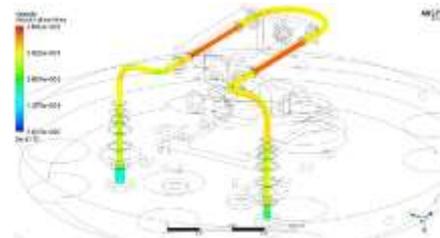


Average surface temperatures must be maintained at increased duty cycles

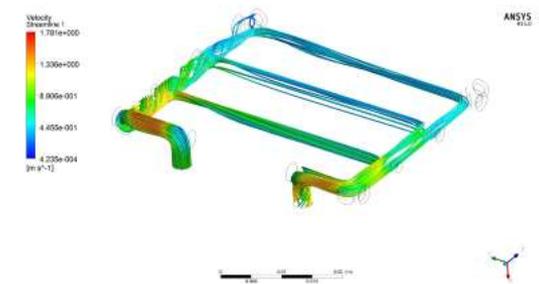
SOLUTION

Improve cooling:

CFD cooling simulations



Head cooling-
switched from air to
water



Flange cooling-
extra parallel
water channels



Permanent Magnet 1X Source



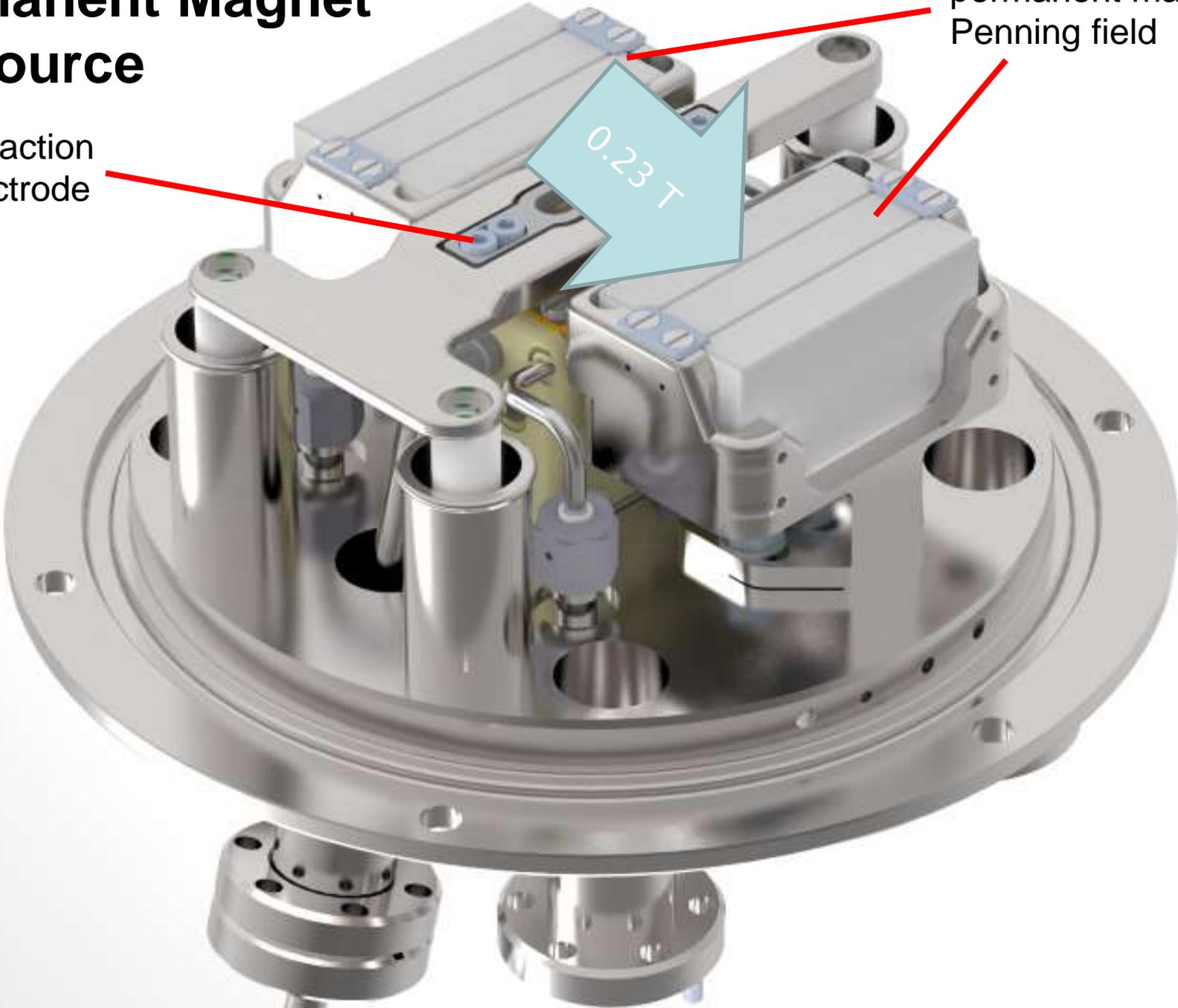
140 mm diameter flange

Permanent Magnet 1X Source

extraction
electrode

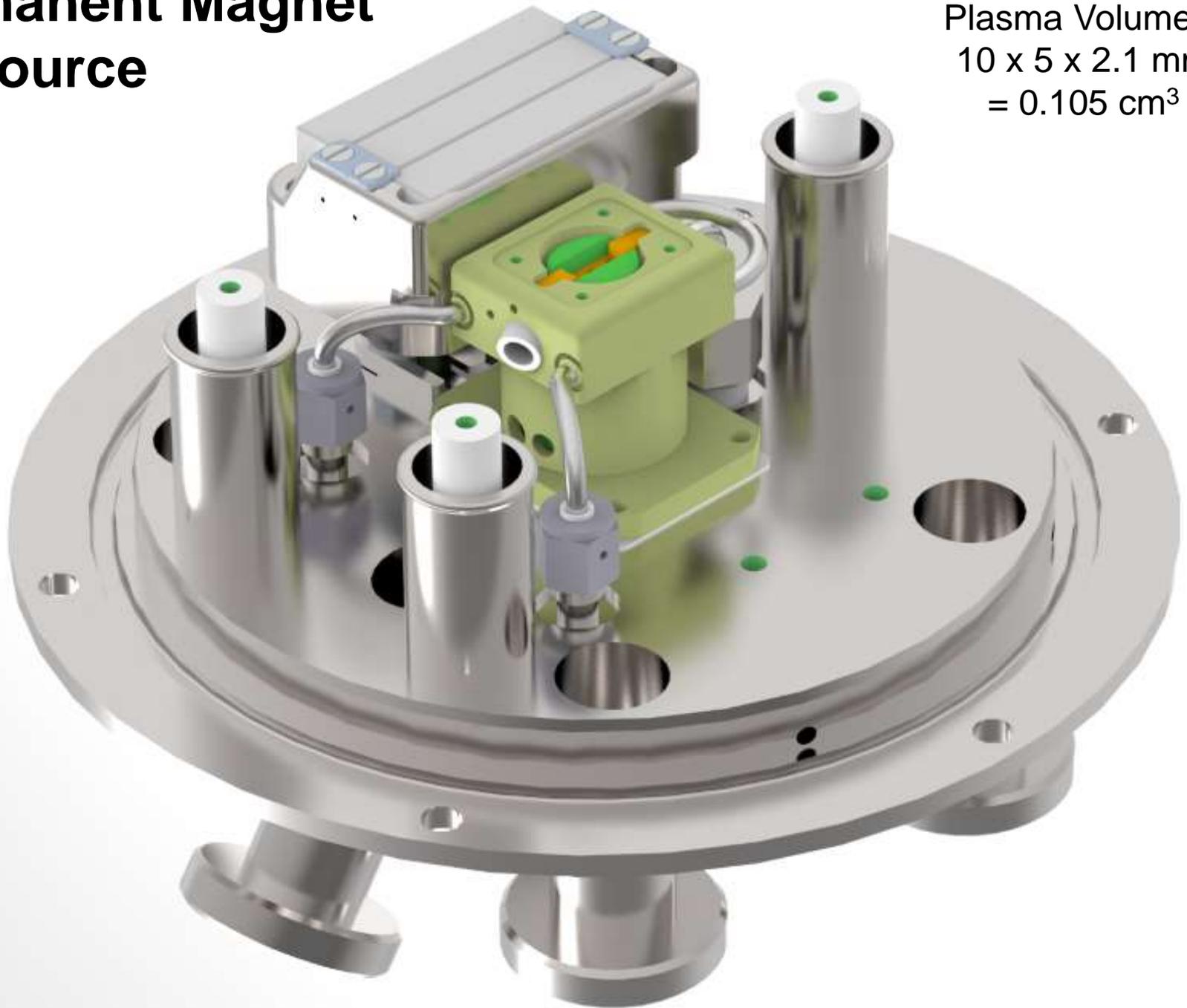
permanent magnet
Penning field

0.23 T



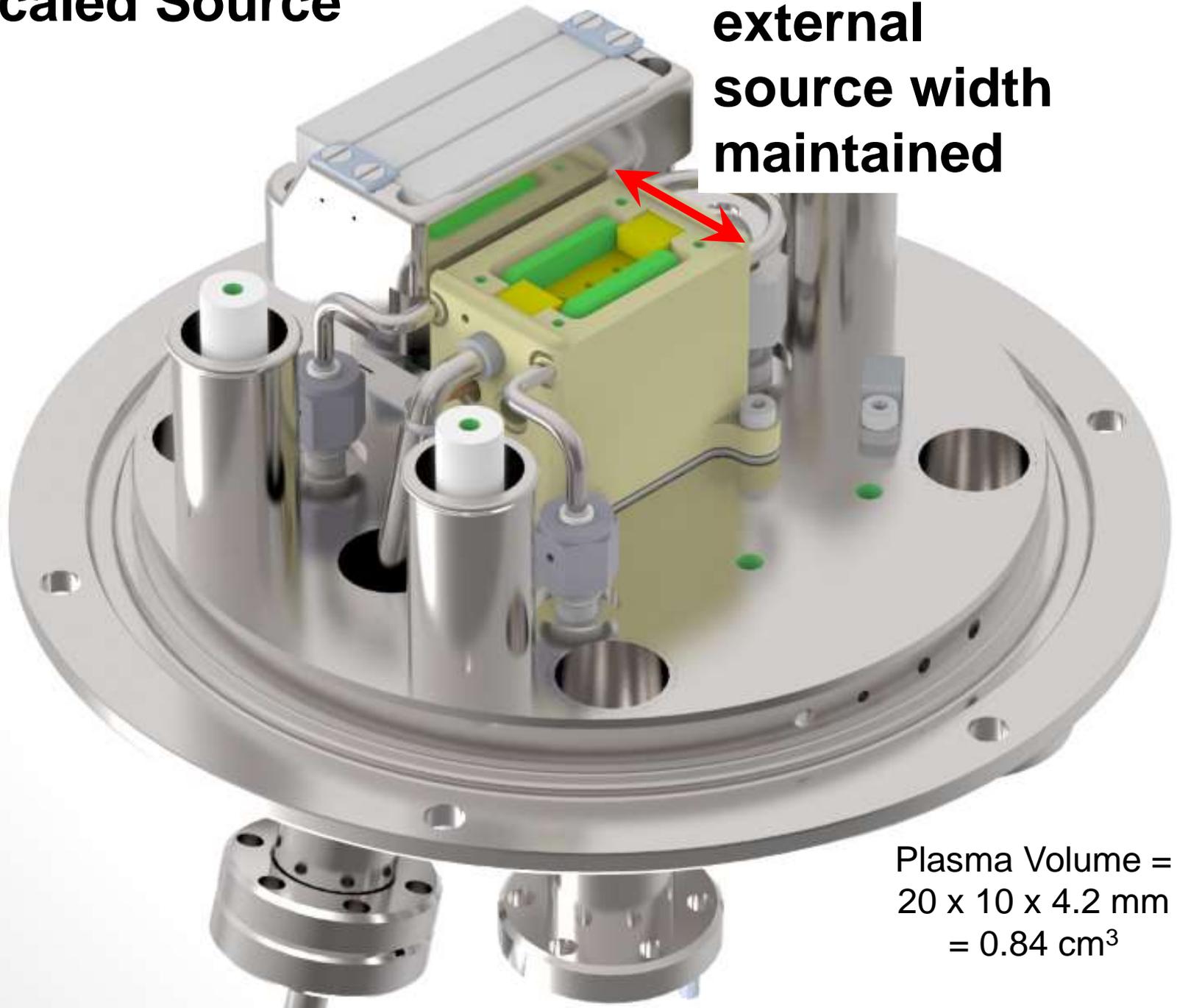
Permanent Magnet 1X Source

Plasma Volume =
10 x 5 x 2.1 mm
= 0.105 cm³



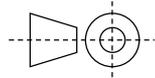
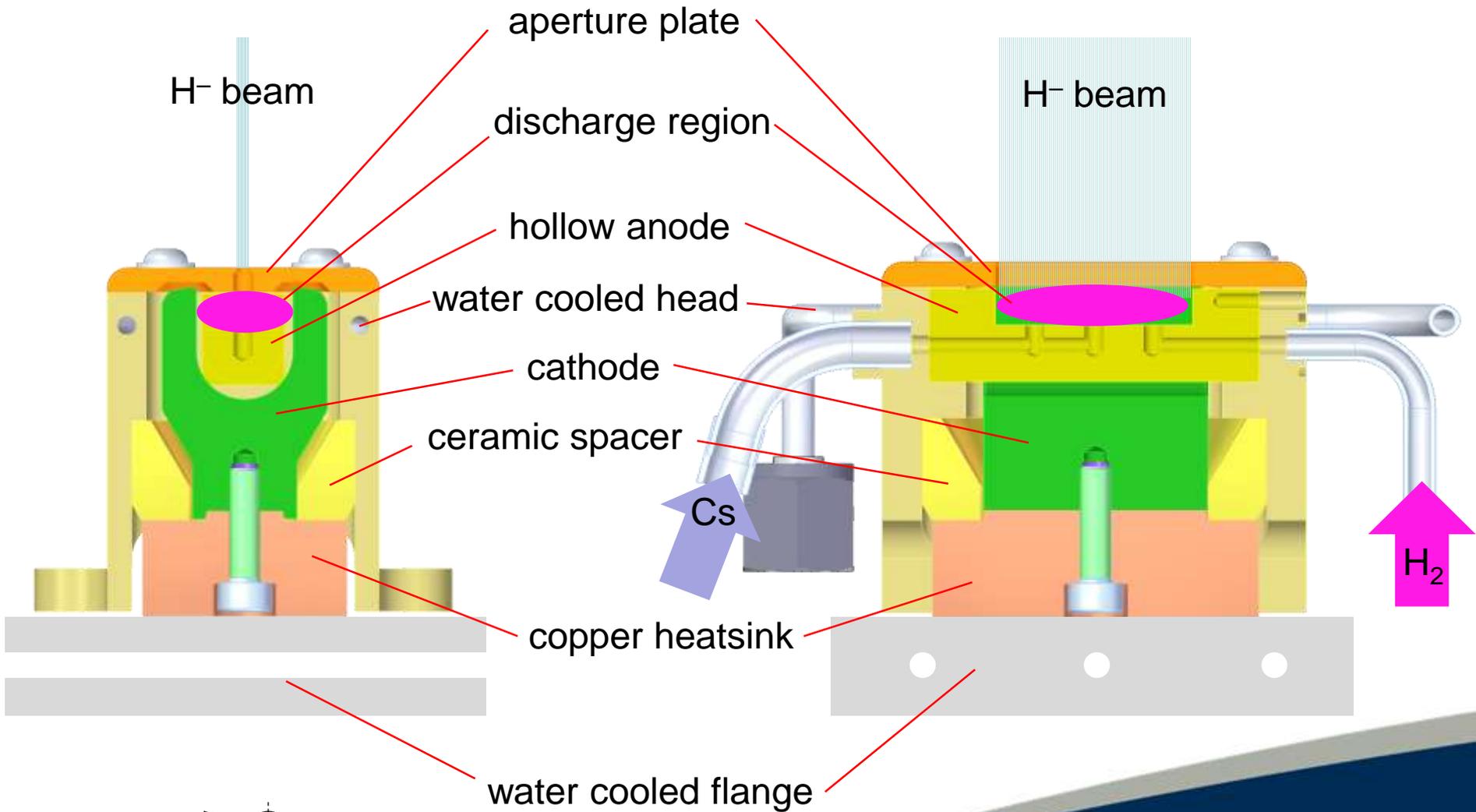
2X Scaled Source

**external
source width
maintained**



Plasma Volume =
20 x 10 x 4.2 mm
= 0.84 cm³

2X Source Cross-sections



sectional views



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Thermal Contact Resistances

316LN Stainless Steel

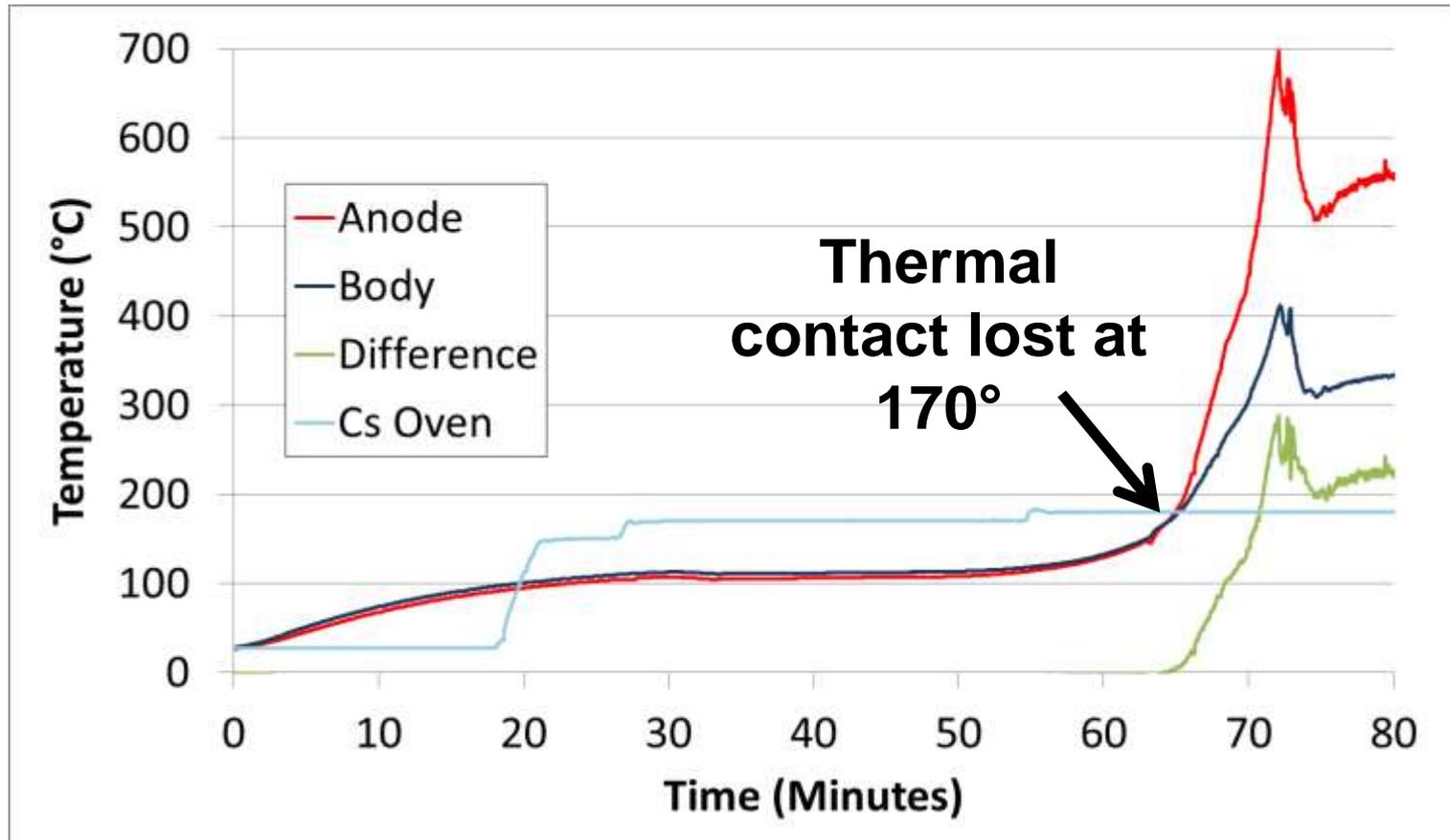
Molybdenum

Anode cooling relies on good contact between the molybdenum anode and the stainless steel source body head

Anode Press



Anode Cooling



Dissimilar Expansion Coefficients and Mechanical Tolerances

Component	Length	Tolerance	Width	Tolerance
Anode	33.5	+0.02/+0.01	8.5	+0.028/+0.020
Source Body	33.5	+0.02/-0.00	8.5	+0.01/-0.00

Possible clearance above 130 °C

Guaranteed clearance above 320 °C

20 C			
Most clearance		Length	Width
	Anode	33.51	8.52
	Source body	33.52	8.51
	Difference	0.01	-0.01
	Inter/Clear	Clearance	Interference
Least Clearance			
	Anode	33.52	8.528
	Source body	33.5	8.5
	Difference	-0.02	-0.028
	Inter/Clear	Interference	Interference

130 C			
Most clearance		Length	Width
	Anode	33.528	8.525
	Source body	33.579	8.525
	Difference	0.051	0.000
	Inter/Clear	Clearance	Clearance
Least Clearance			
	Anode	33.538	8.533
	Source body	33.559	8.515
	Difference	0.021	-0.018
	Inter/Clear	Clearance	Interference

320 C			
Most clearance		Length	Width
	Anode	33.560	8.533
	Source body	33.681	8.551
	Difference	0.121	0.018
	Inter/Clear	Clearance	Clearance
Least Clearance			
	Anode	33.570	8.541
	Source body	33.661	8.541
	Difference	0.091	0.000
	Inter/Clear	Clearance	Clearance

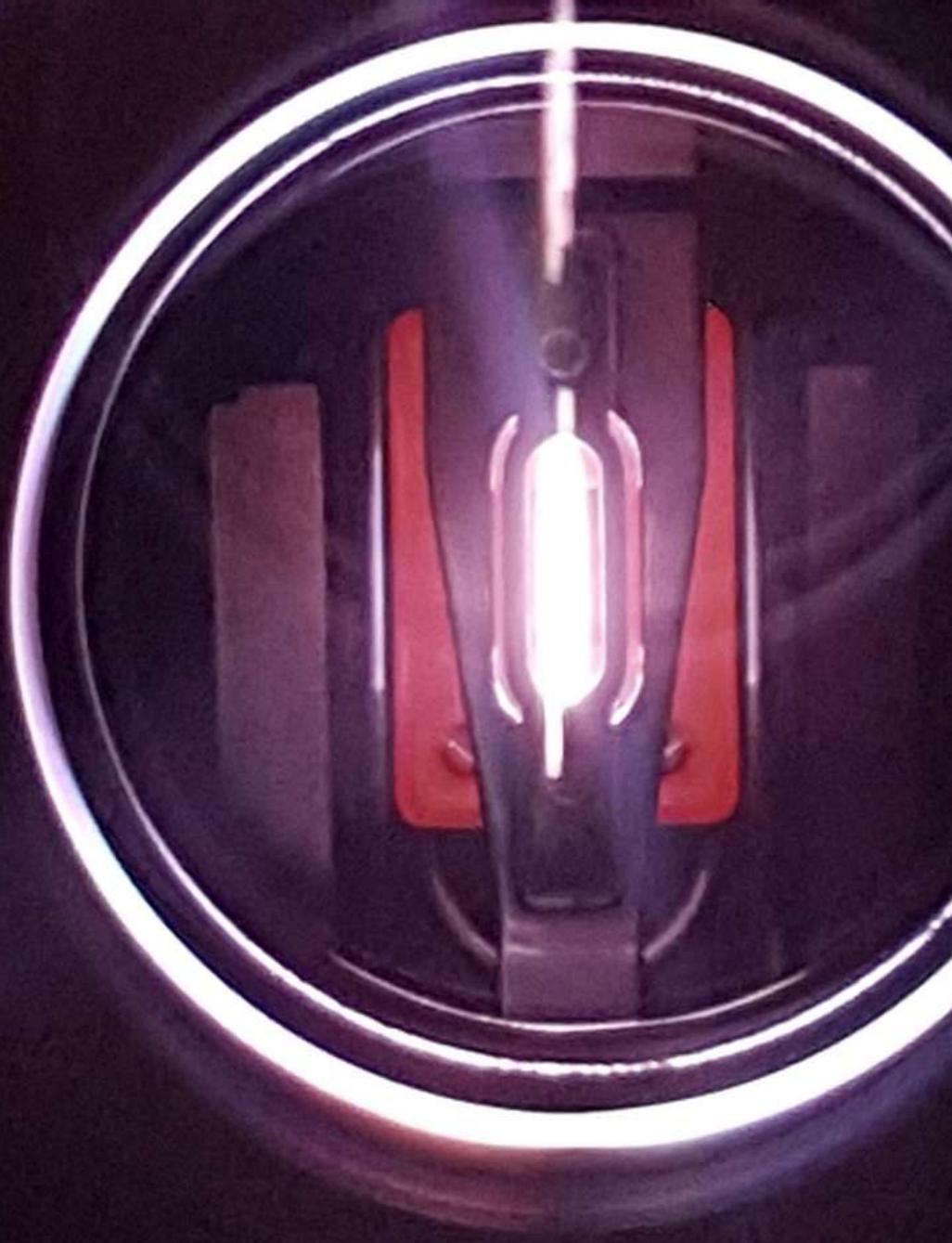
Anode length and width tolerances modified to:
+0.04/+0.03 and +0.048/+0.038



Thermal Contact Resistances

$R_a = 0.8 \mu\text{m}$ improved to $R_a = 0.4 \mu\text{m}$

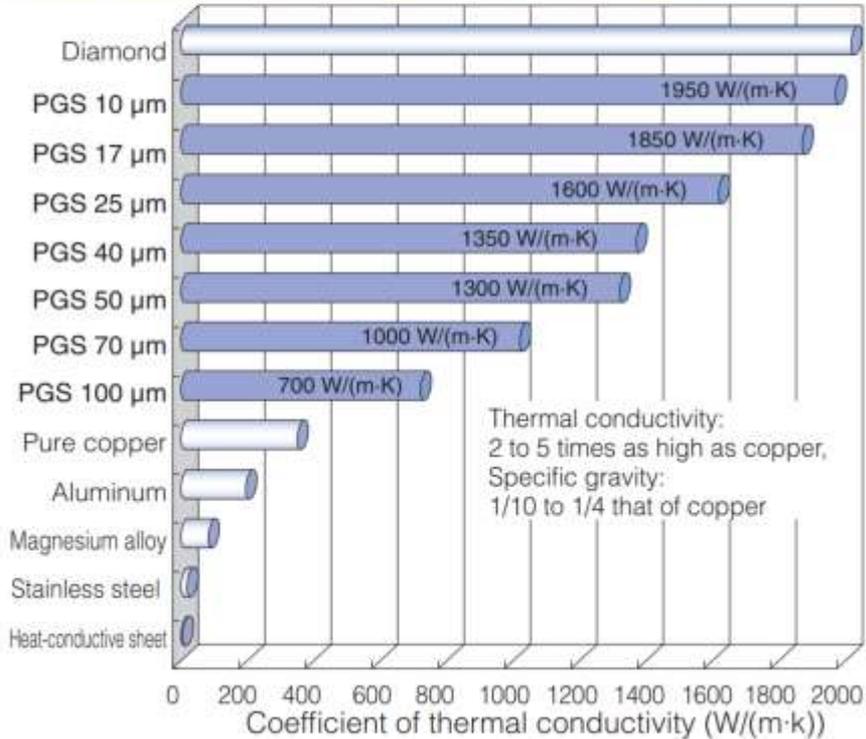
Aperture plate cooling relies on good thermal contact



overheating aperture plate

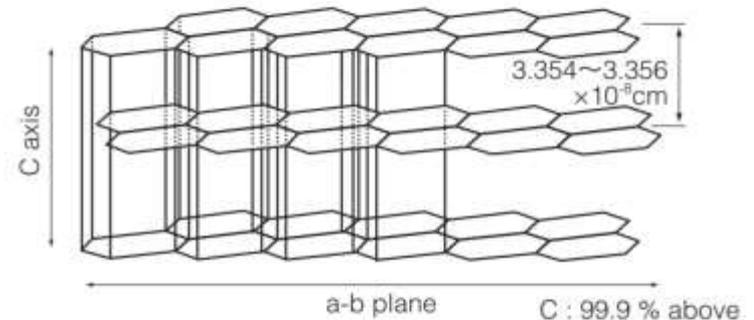


Comparison of thermal conductivity (a-b plane)



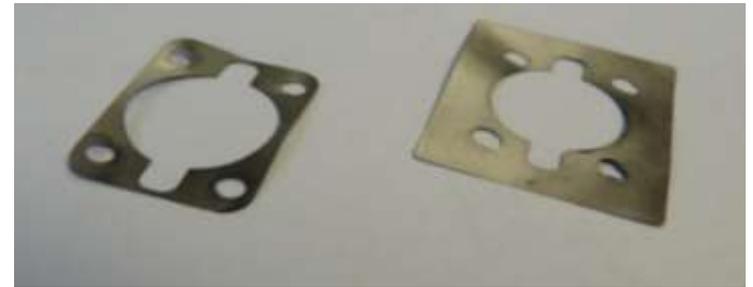
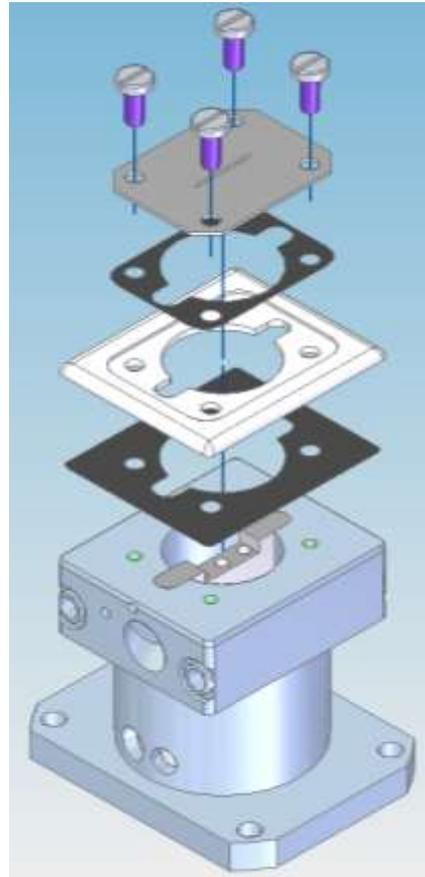
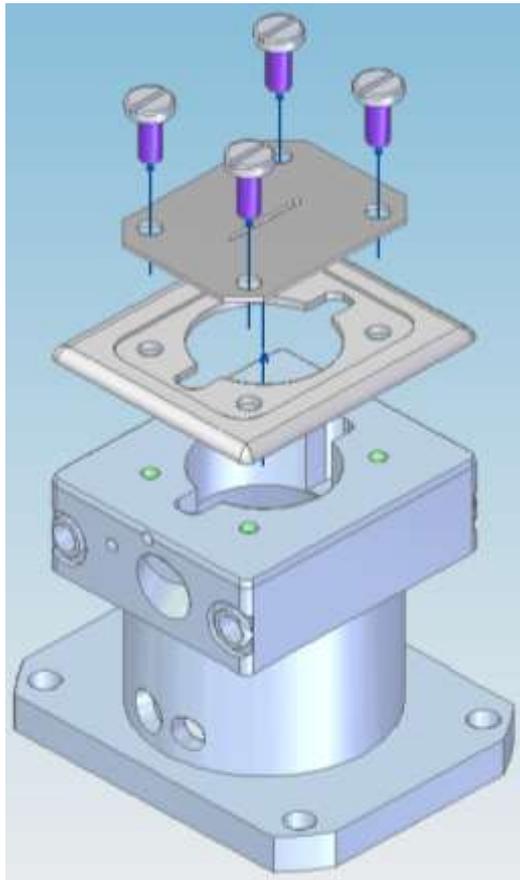
2.5x conductivity of copper!

Layered structure of PGS



**Laser cut
70 μm thick
PGS thermal
interface gasket**

PGS allows biasable aperture plate



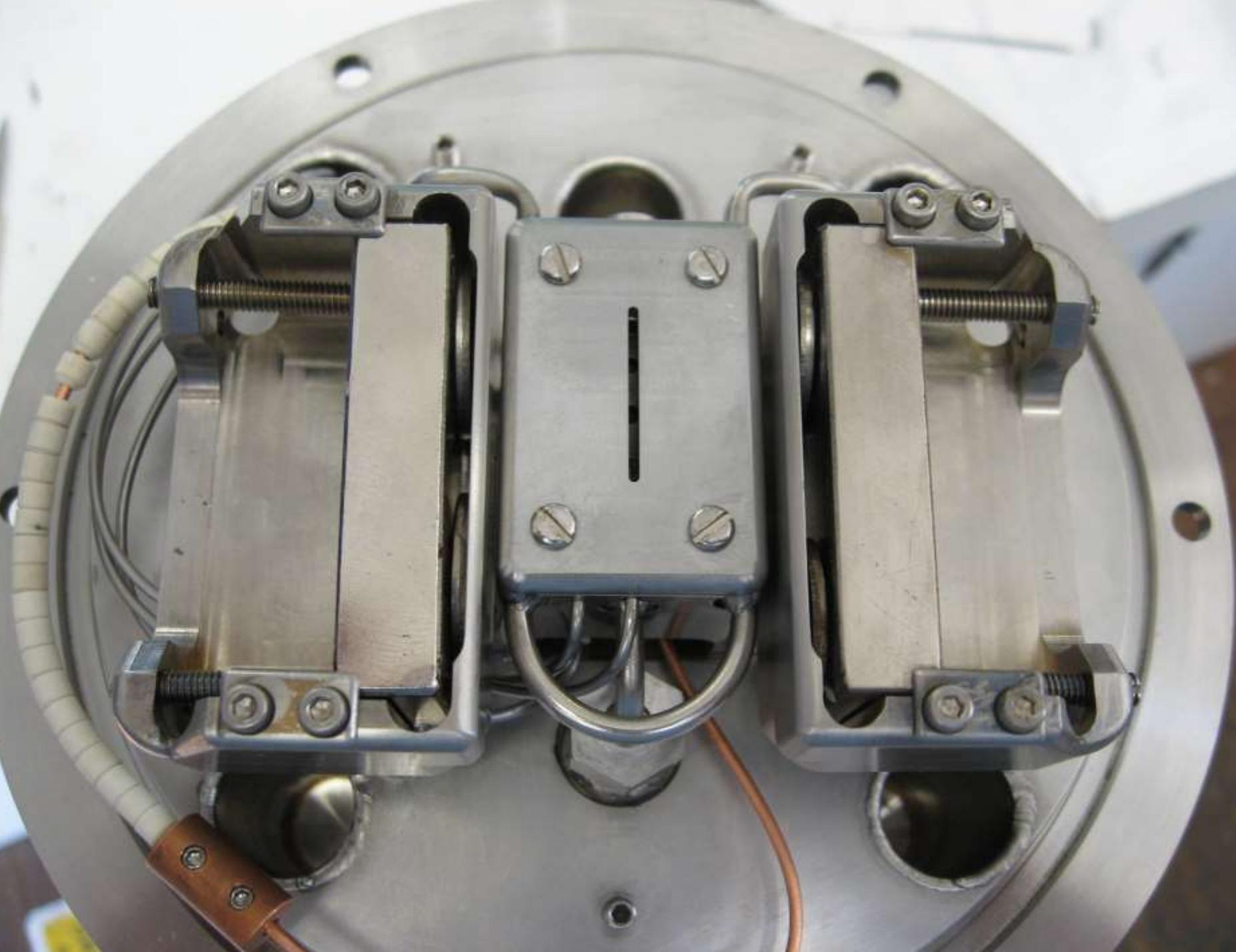
Not implemented on scaled source



Magnetic Penning Field

- Cathode separation is doubled in the 2X source
- Penning field should be halved
- 0.084 T found to be best after experimentation





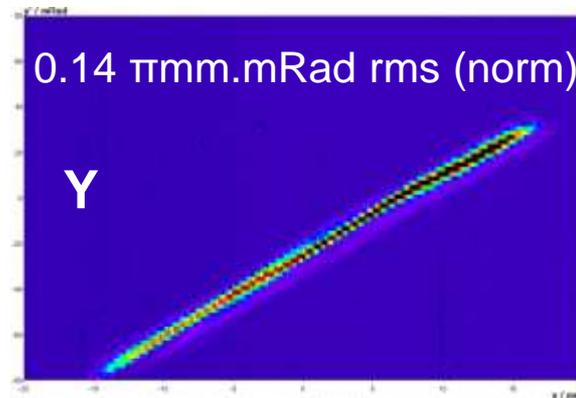
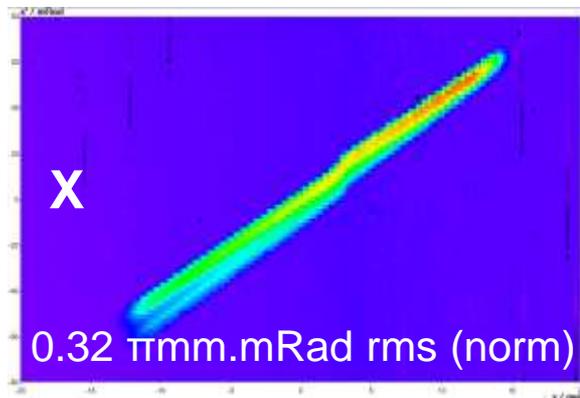
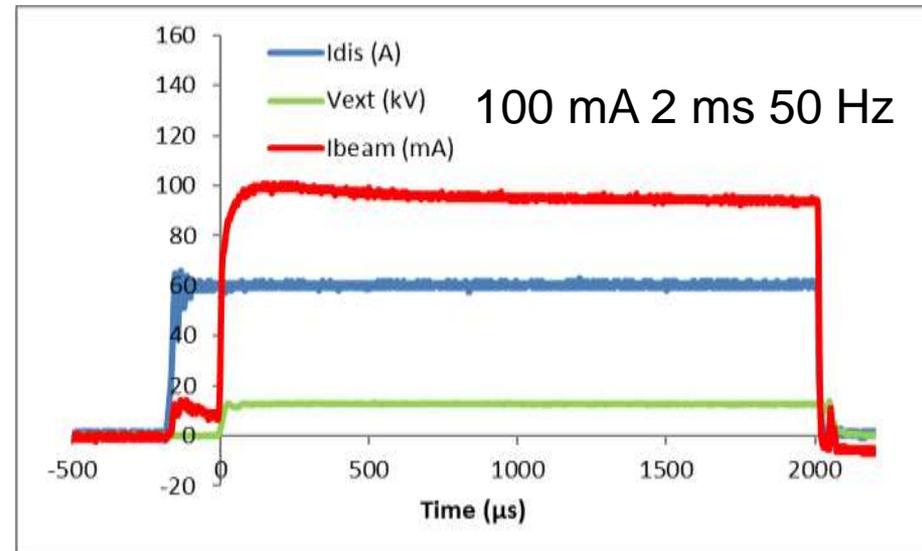
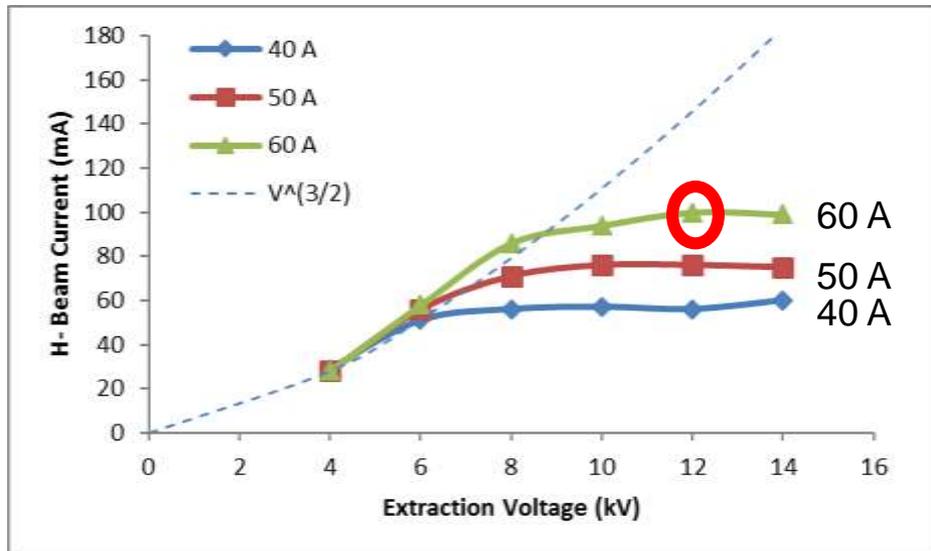


Power Supply Upgrades

- Extraction and discharge power supplies both had to be upgraded to operate at full 2 ms 50 Hz duty cycle



Full Duty Cycle Results

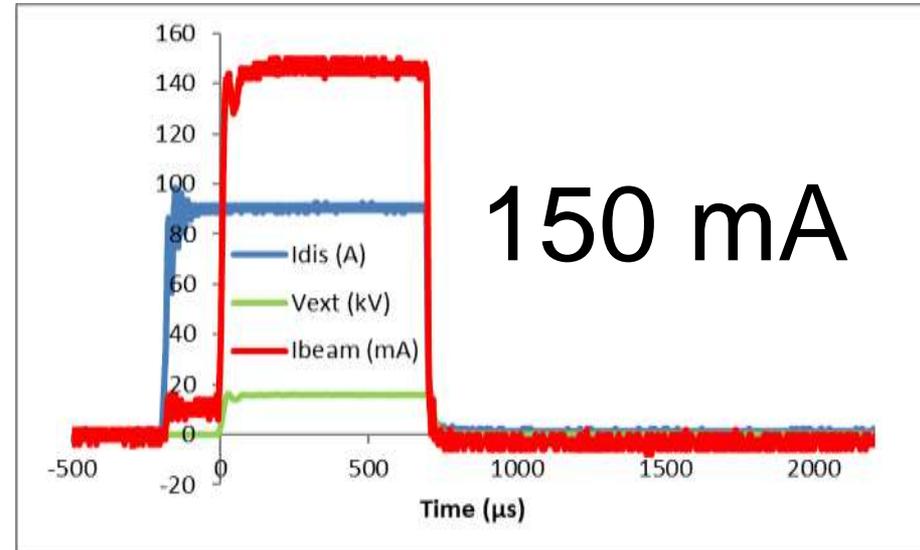
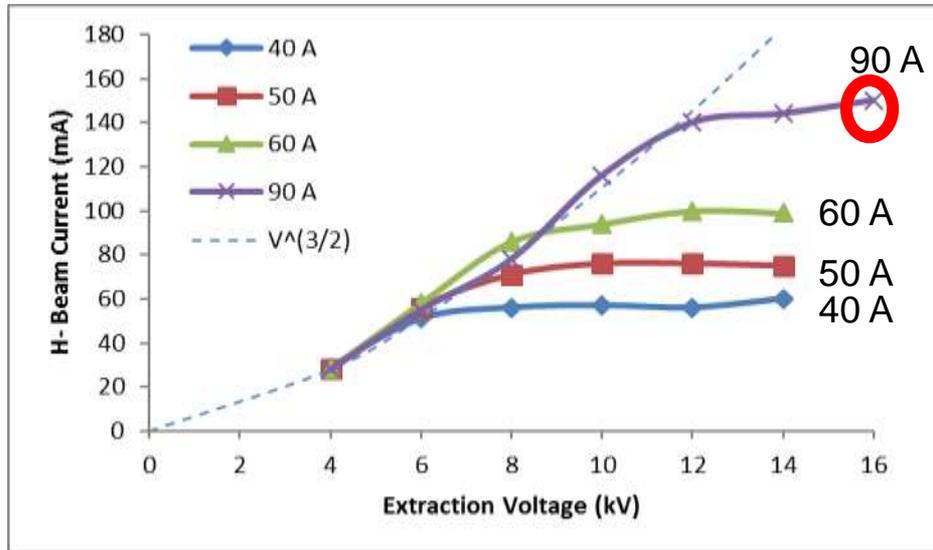


60 A discharge
 12 kV extraction voltage
 35 keV beam
 210°C Cs oven!

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Shorter 700 μs Pulse at 90 A



90 A discharge
16 kV extraction voltage
35 keV beam
210°C Cs oven
150 mA 700 μs 50 Hz



Next Steps

- Integration on to FETS
- Lifetime tests
- Investigate high caesium/noise problem
- Investigate scaling laws
- Deliver a scaled source to Fermilab





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