

# PERLE Status and Plans

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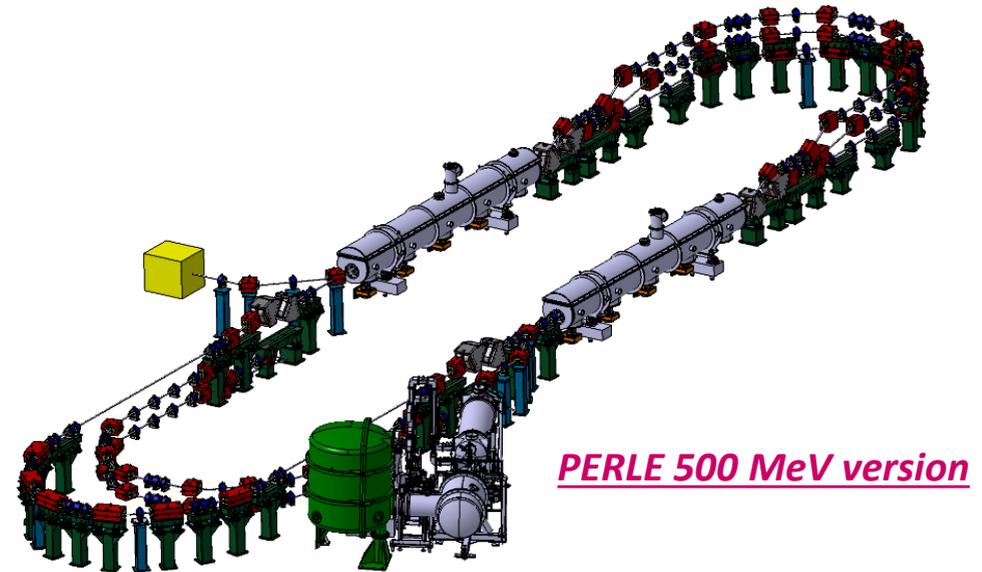
**On behalf of PERLE Collaboration**



## PERLE main objectives:

- Demonstrate multi-turn and high current operation → access to unexplored power regimes
- Validation of important technical choices:
  - High-charge electron gun: 500 pC at 40 MHz
  - Optimized 800 MHz SRF system: Maximise the efficiency
  - Common circulation arcs for accelerated and decelerated beams
  - Non-invasive diagnostics
- Host experiments of interest for our lab and institute.

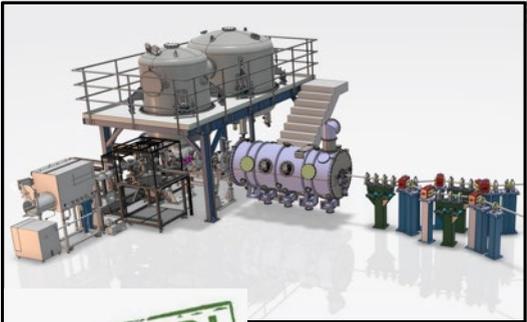
Target Parameter	Unit	Value
Injection energy	MeV	7
Electron beam energy	MeV	500
Normalised Emittance $\gamma\epsilon_{x,y}$	mm mrad	6
Average beam current	mA	20
Bunch charge	pC	500
Bunch length	mm	3
Bunch spacing	ns	25
RF frequency	MHz	801.58
Duty factor		CW



TDR and prototyping

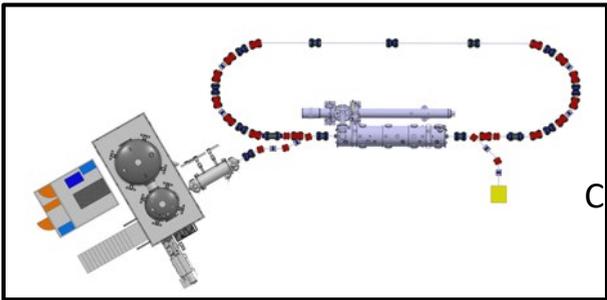
Phase 2: PERLE 1 tour

Phase 1: Injection line



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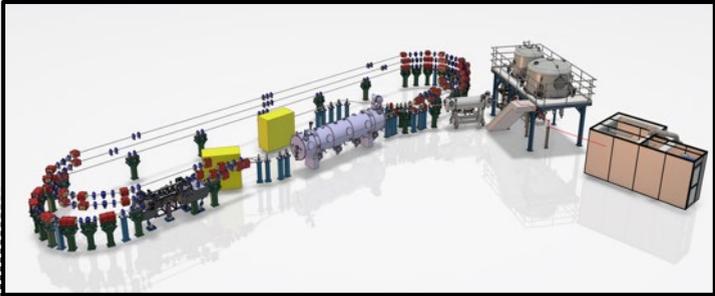
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Phase 3: PERLE 250 MeV

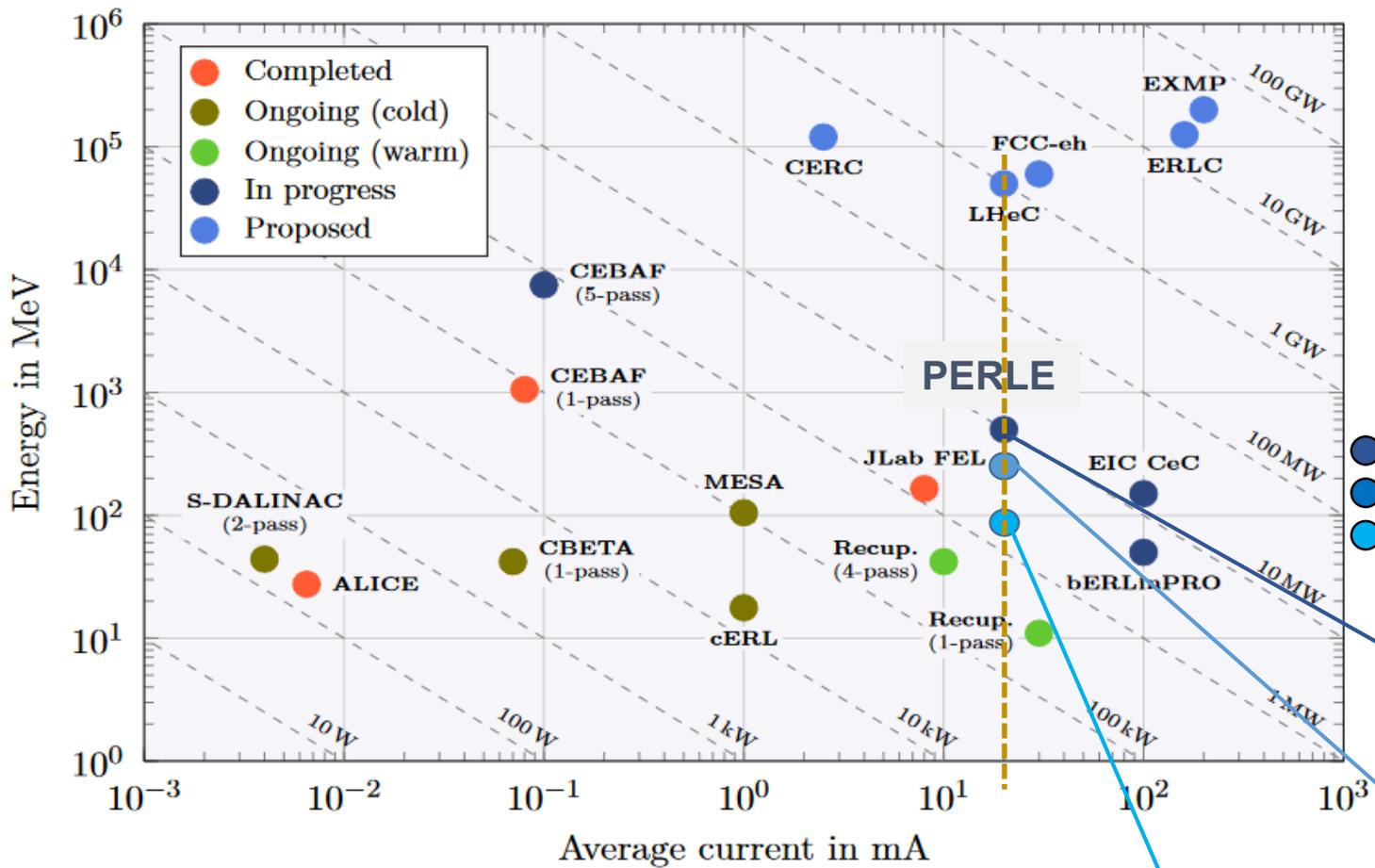


**Extra funding needed for 6 arcs configuration**



Phase 4: PERLE 500 MeV

# PERLE Timeline (macroscopic view)



● PERLE 3 tours @ 500MeV  
● PERLE 3 tours @ 250 MeV  
● PERLE single tour



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Editors' Suggestion

## Beam dynamics driven design of powerful energy recovery linac for experiments

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Powerful ERL for experiments (PERLE) is a novel energy recovery linac (ERL) test facility [1], designed to validate choices for a 50 GeV ERL foreseen in the design of the Large Hadron Electron Collider and the Future Circular Collider and to host dedicated nuclear and particle physics experiments. Its main goal is to demonstrate the high current, continuous wave, multipass operation with superconducting cavities at 802 MHz. With very high beam power (10 MW), PERLE offers an opportunity for controllable study of every beam dynamic effect of interest in the next generation of ERLs and becomes a “stepping stone” between the present state-of-the-art 1 MW ERLs and the future 100 MW scale applications.

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The first paper on Beam Dynamics and PERLE Design has been published in Physical Review Accelerators and Beams (PRAB) and was also selected as a « PRAB Editors Suggestion » on the journal homepage alongside other highlighted articles:

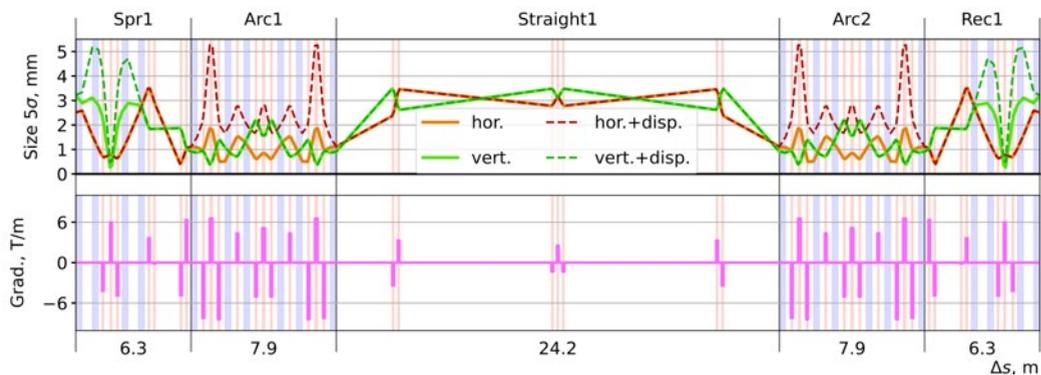
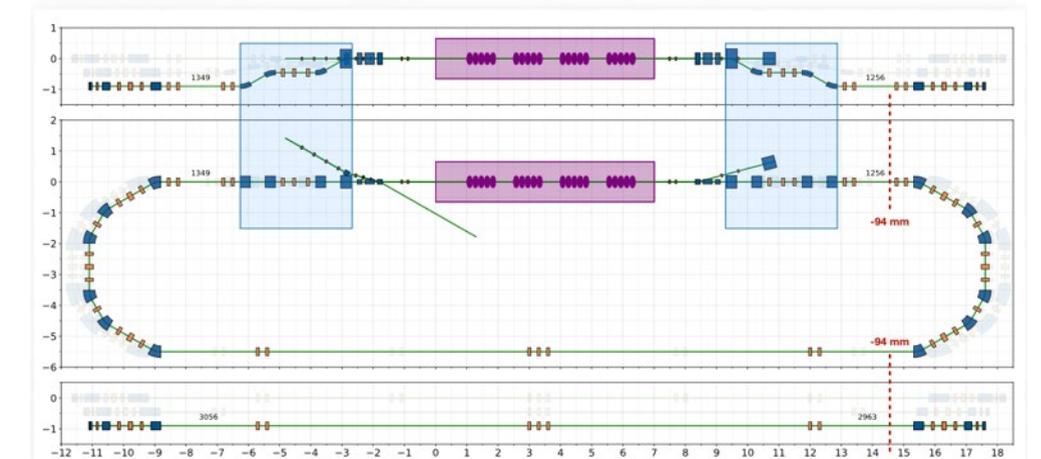
<https://journals.aps.org/prab>

The following studies was reported in this paper for the **500 MeV version** of PERLE:

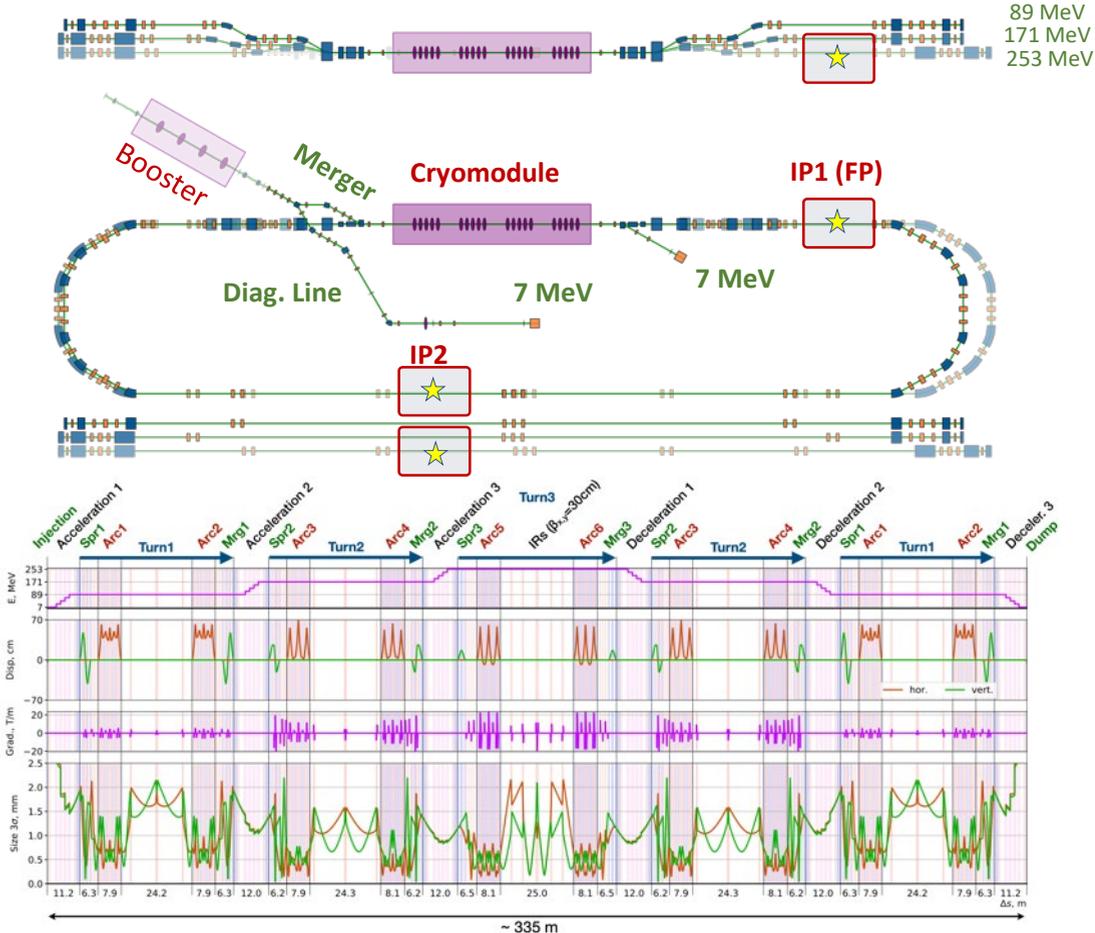
- Lattice architecture and optics
- Staging construction
- Injector and merger, space charge study
- Longitudinal matching
- Filling pattern and bunch timing options
- Start to end simulations with CSR and Wakefield
- BBU study

*More details in Alex Fomin talk*

## Single-Turn "with B-Coms"



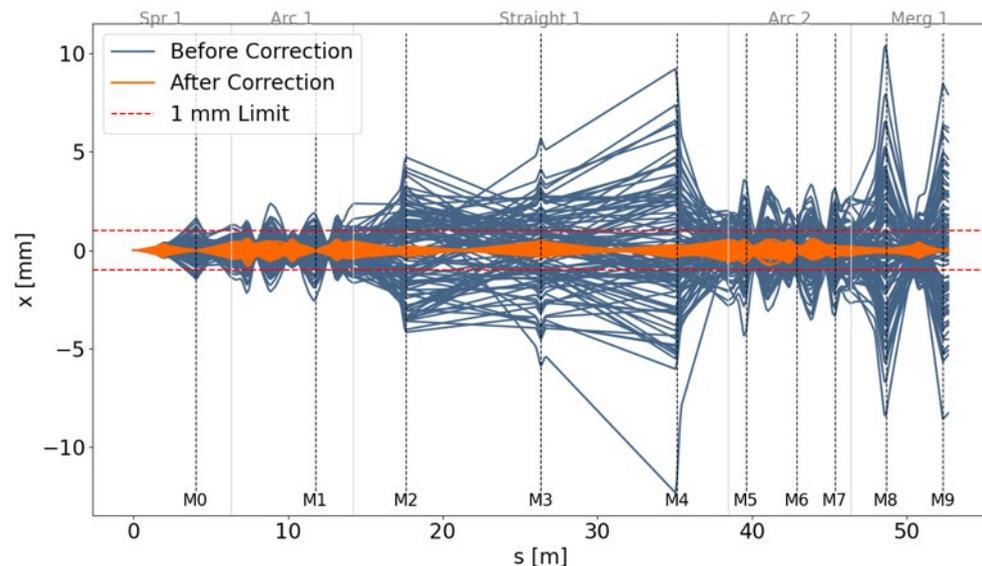
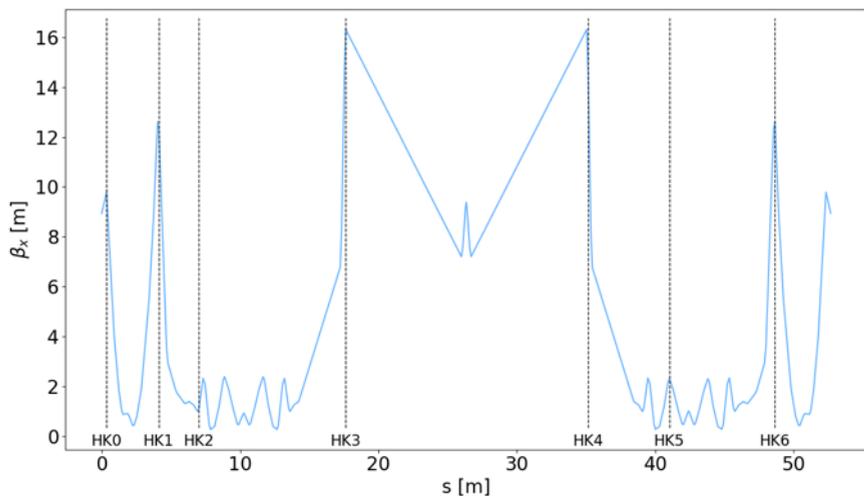
## PERLE 250 MeV version



*More details in Rasha Abukeshek Poster*

First results of misalignment corrections studies:

- Recalculating the optics of Turn 1 with all (45) quadrupoles misaligned: Misalignment affects the dispersion in both planes. No effect on Beta function.
- Gradually adding kicker-Monitor pair and observe the next places to mount the BPMs. In each step, the value of the previous  $HK_n$  are fixed from the previous optimization and introduced directly to the lattice



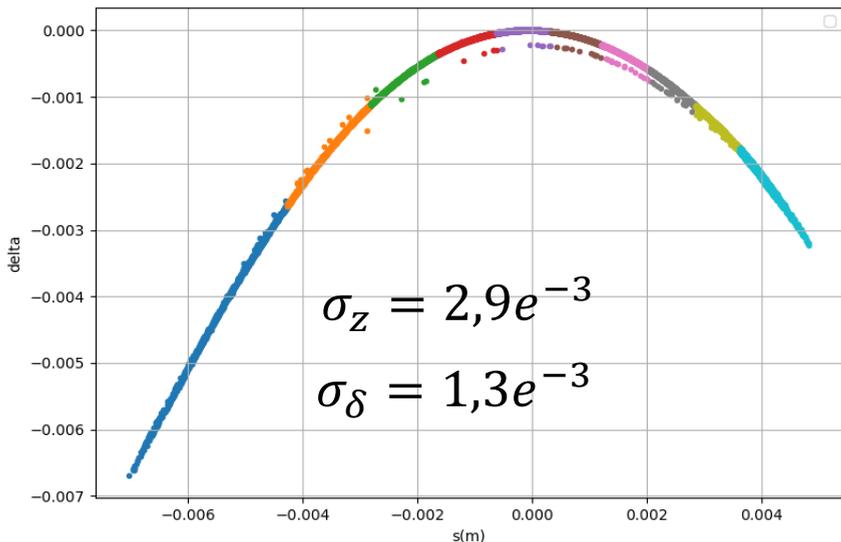
- positions of all kickers & monitors for the 1st turn are found: 7 kickers and 10 BPMs are needed.

Simulation of 100 beam orbits along the 1st pass of PERLE (**blue**) and corrections (**orange**)

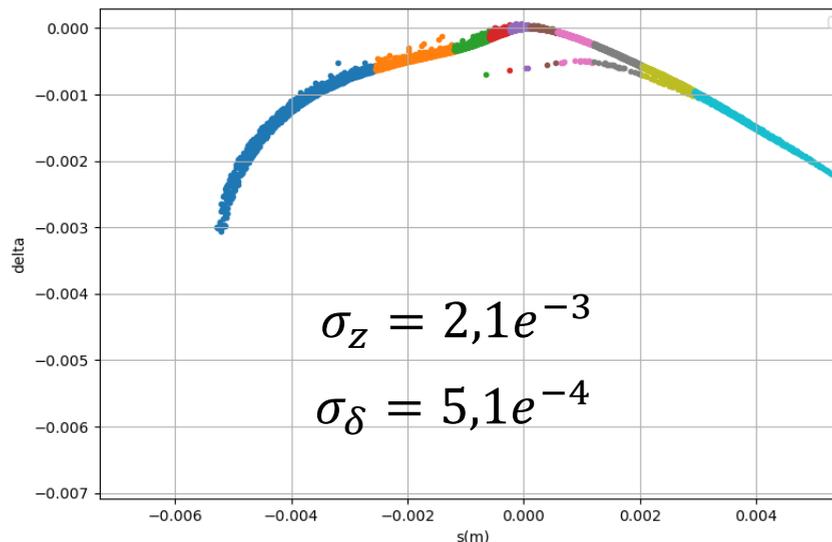
Longitudinal matching for energy spread compression at EP:

[More details in Julien Michaud poster](#)

No longitudinal match



With energy spread compression



	R56	R566	Phase
Pass 1	-0,05	-8	7
Pass 2	-0,8	-8	-11
Pass 3			-2

→ 0,6 MeV

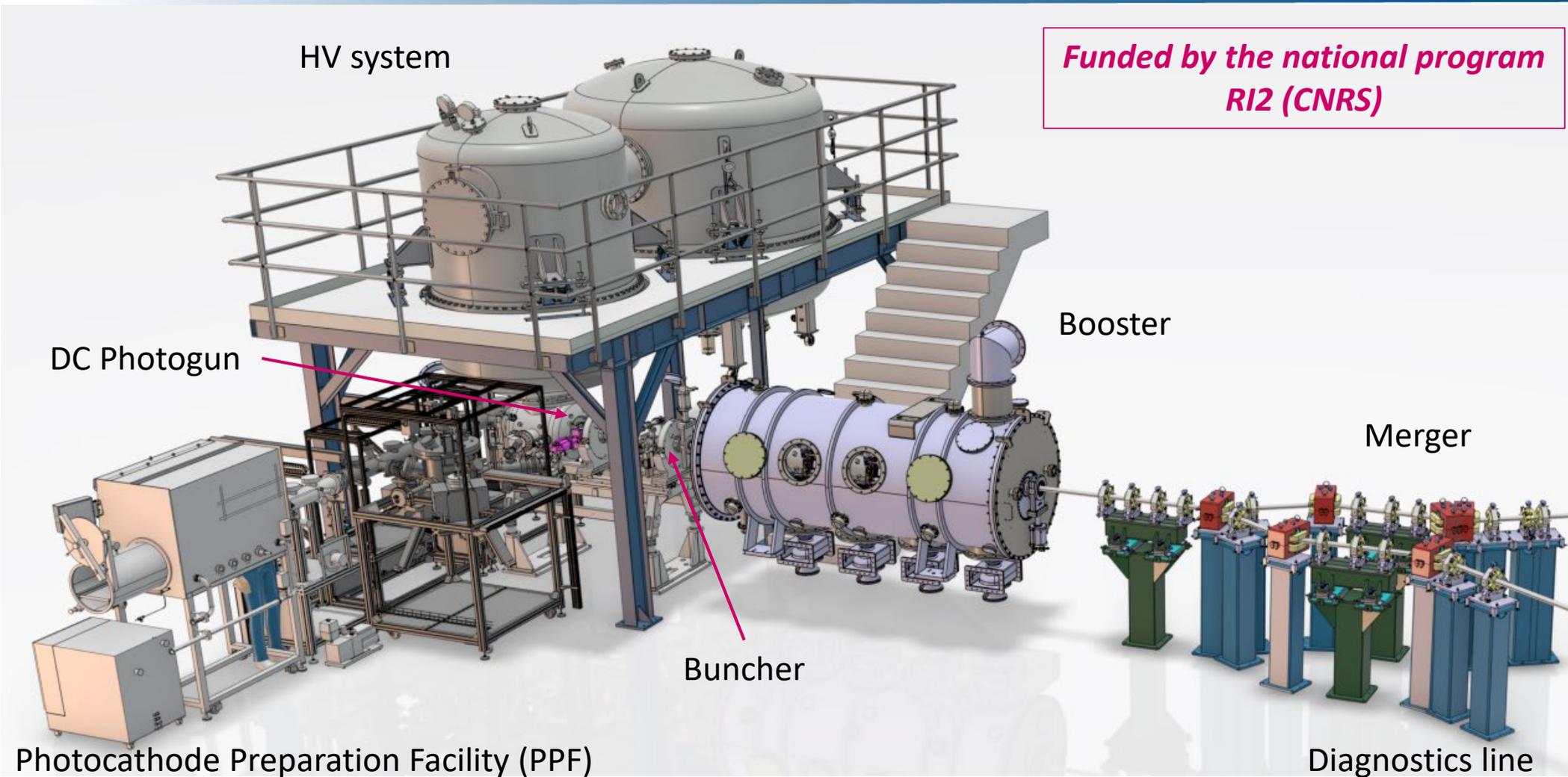
→ 1,5 MeV

→ 0,05 MeV

$1^\circ \approx 1\text{mm}$  path correction

Max : 18mm

# The injection line

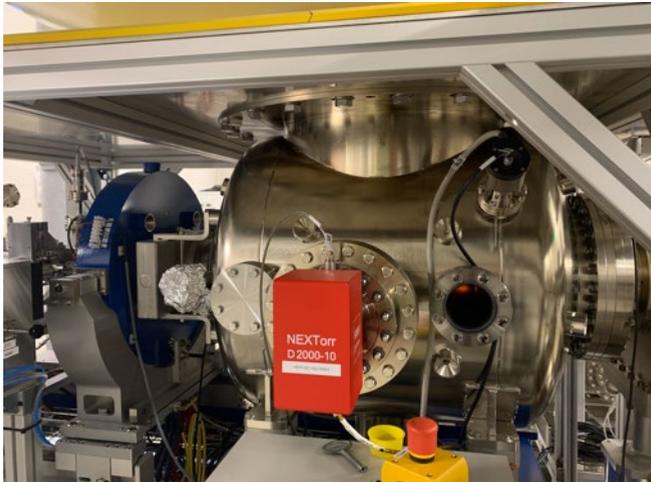


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RI2 (CNRS)*

Photocathode Preparation Facility (PPF)

## Collaboration IJCLab-LPSC & RI GmbH

Within a Collaboration Agreement for photoinjector R&D between IJCLab (IN2P3) and Research Instruments GmbH (RI), Hardware of lighthouse project (terminated) transferred to IJCLab for PERLE. The gun was commissioned and tested at high rep rate, at a limited bunch charge. It includes:



A DC Gun, Cornell design (400 pC, 50 MHz demonstrated), fully equipped (all pumps) in load-lock version



HV power supply suited for high bunch charge (designed for 40 mA, 450 kV)



A Photocathode Preparation Facility (PPF)

## Specifications:

- **Electron beam requirements for PERLE**
  - $Q_{\text{bunch}} = 500 \text{ pC}$
  - Repetition rate : 40 MHz }  $I = 20 \text{ mA}$
- **High DC voltage to extract high bunch charge**
  - 350 kV
- **Multi-alkali antimonide photocathode ( $\text{CsK}_2\text{Sb}$ )**
  - Well suited for high current : typical QE  $\sim 1\%$  (green light) considering degradation
- **Load-lock configuration**
  - Loading of photocathodes without full gun bake for fast exchange
- **Laser power**
  - 5 W (on the photocathode) of green light laser (500-550 nm)
- **Excellent vacuum level for good operational lifetime**
  - $\sim 10^{-11}$  mbar or better
- **Anode bias to limit QE degradation**

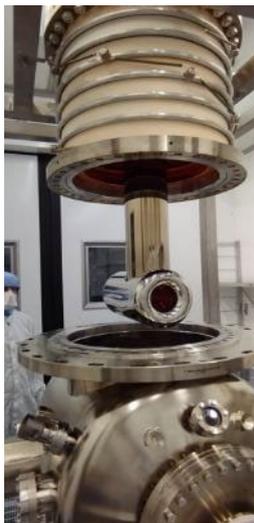
Dismantling of the PPF (September 2023)



Dismantling of the HV Columns tanks  
Dismantling of the platform done by Baumann (November 2023)



Gun status : dismantling of the gun  
in clean room (January 2024)



The equipment were received at Orsay end of January



Photocathode laser room installation  
(Yesterday photo)

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- PERLE buncher cERL-type design

(some summary highlights...)

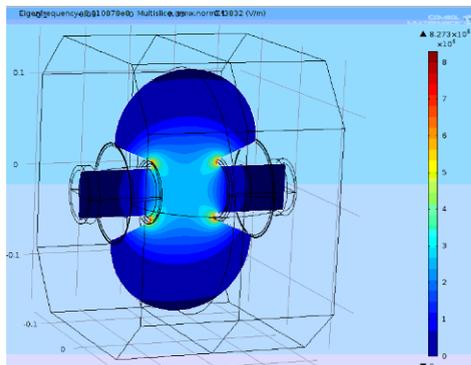
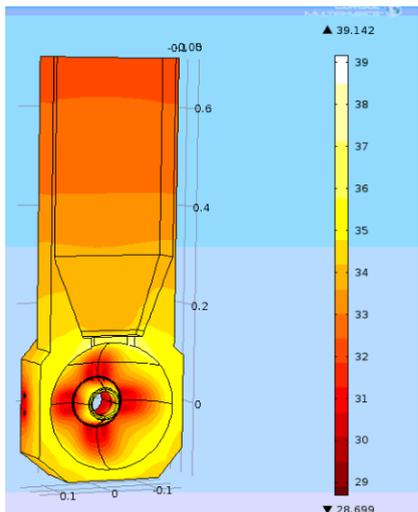
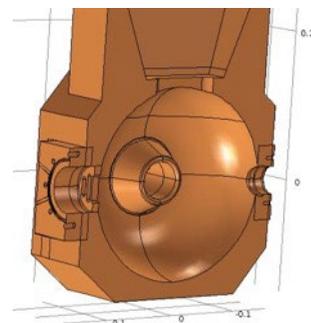
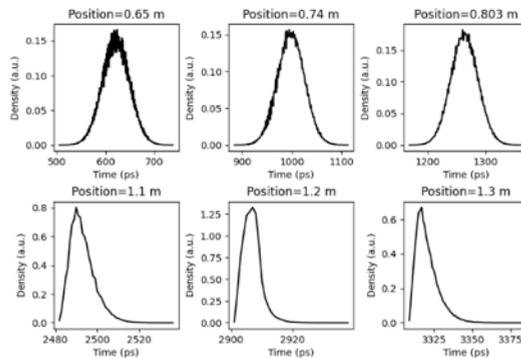


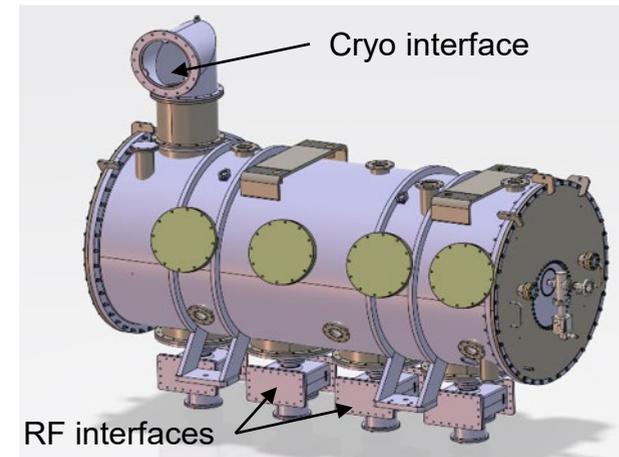
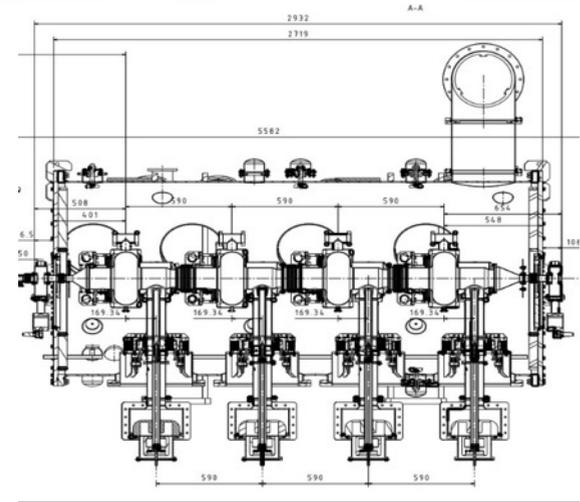
Figure of merit	PERLE buncher cERL-like optimized	Figure of merit	PERLE buncher cERL-like optimized
Input power	5 kW	Iris a	0.070 m
$V_0$	0.21 MV	Iris b	0.020 m
TTF	0.84	Wave guide	WR-975 (274.65 mm, 123.80 mm). Taper=0.5
Gradient ( $V_0 T / L_{cav}$ )	1.392 MV/m	S11dB	-35.81 dB
Power loss	4972 W	ZTT	49.7 M $\Omega$ /m
$R_s T T = (V_0 T)^2 / P_{loss}$	6.26 M $\Omega$	Esurf_max	8.21 MV/m



Important progress in the RF design, thermal and beam dynamics simulations of a buncher cavity for PERLE by colleagues from ESS-Bilbao.

The booster study just started this summer, the specifications are:

- **Bring the beam energy up 7 MeV:**
  - x4 single cell SRF cavities,  $Q_0 > 3E+10$  @ 10 MV/m
  - $T = 2K$  (dynamic losses  $< 5W$  /cavity)
  - $F = 801.58$  MHz
  - RF Power/cavity  $\sim 40kW$
  - No HOM couplers but absorbers needed
  
- **Adapt as much as possible the Linac cryomodule design to the booster requirements:**
  - Same vacuum vessel type (same diameter, alignment supports, openings for accessibility, end-caps...)
  - Same cryogenic interface (jumper connection)
  - Same interface to the RF network
  - Same tuning systems



We tried to standardize its design as much as possible w.r to the 5 cell cavity design:

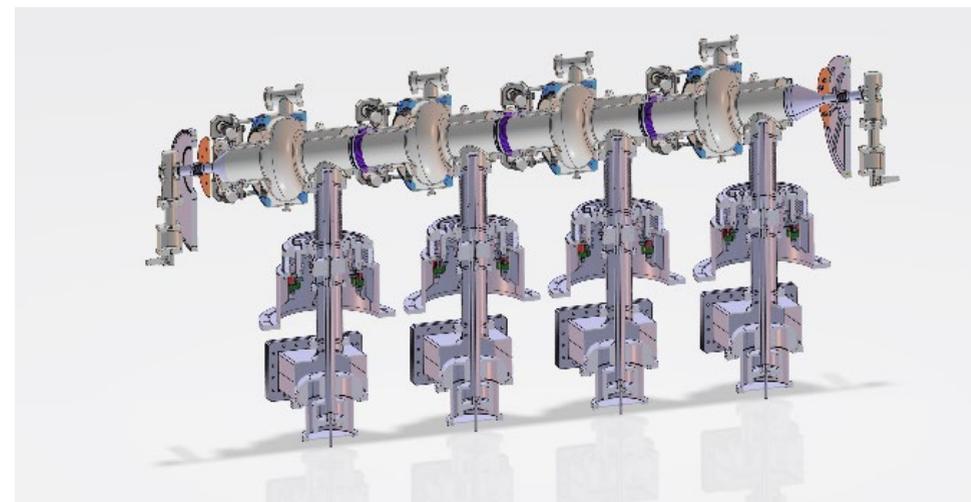
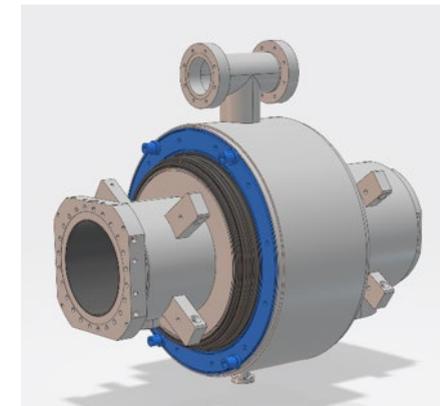
- RF design from the 5-cell cavity
- Helium vessel made also of Titanium
- Same flanges
- Same coupler port aperture
- Same bellows
- Same tuning system
- ... no HOM coupler ports!

→ To be compatible with our vertical cryostat configuration for testing at 2K

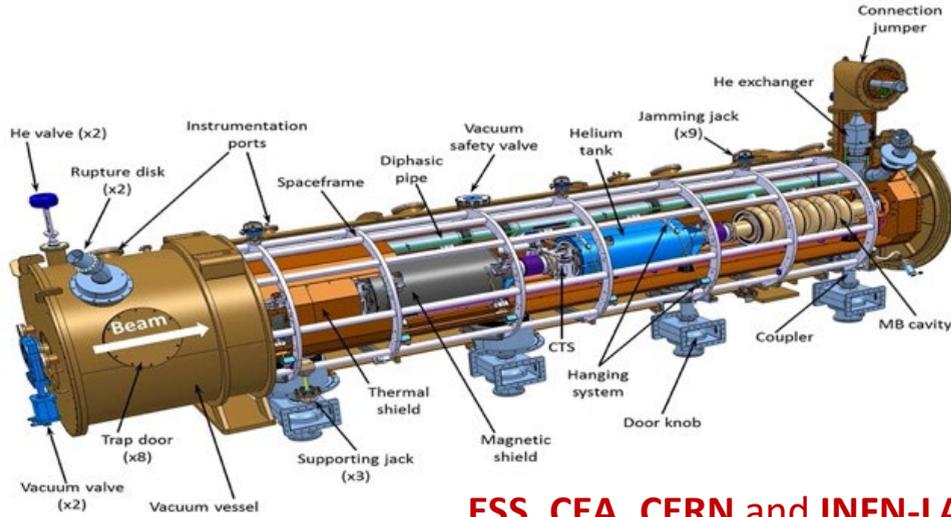
Simulations & Injector design optimization studies were performed with different codes (OPAL and Astra)

*More in Connor Monaghan talk and Raphael Roux Poster*

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PERLE 1<sup>st</sup> cryomodule is adapted from ESS design and will be optimised for efficient high current ERL operation. It will integrate the RF systems (SRF Cavities, HOM couplers & absorbers, Fundamental Power Couplers) optimized and developed within the **European project ISAS**.



**ESS, CEA, CERN and INFN-LASA**  
are involved in this work

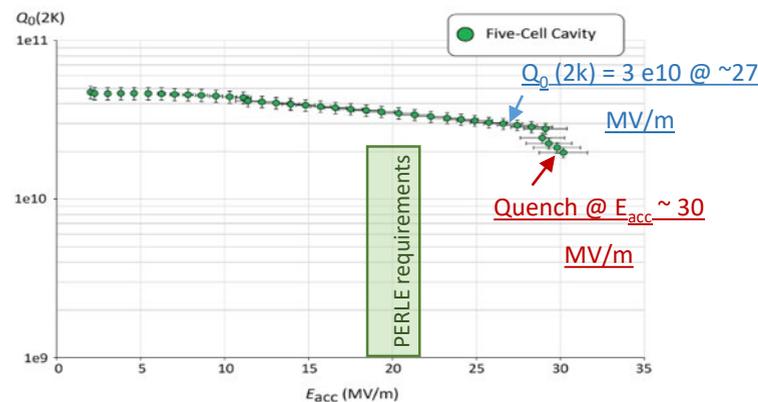
As In-kind contribution of ESS to iSAS, the 1<sup>st</sup> cryomodule of the linac will reuse ESS medium beta prototype components:



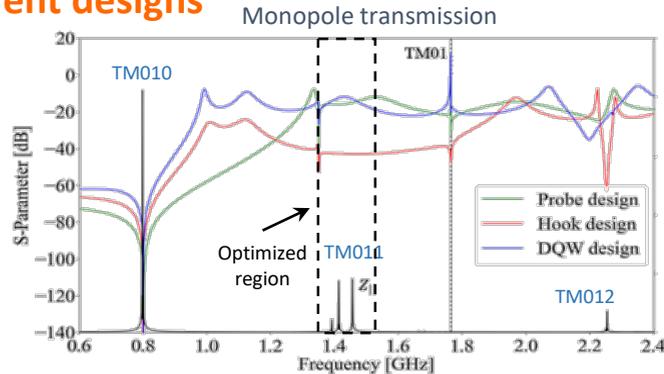
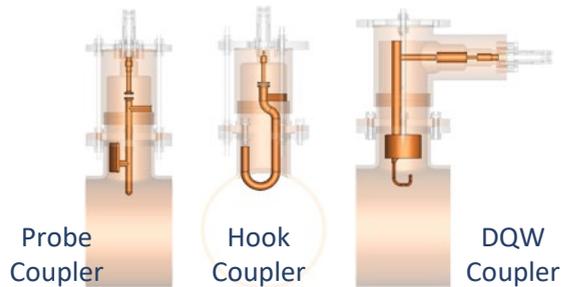
And will host new optimized components developed within the iSAS project

- Cavity string (SRF cavities, RF couplers, Tuning systems, Beam Line Absorbers, HOM couplers...)
- Magnetic shield
- Cryogenics circuit...

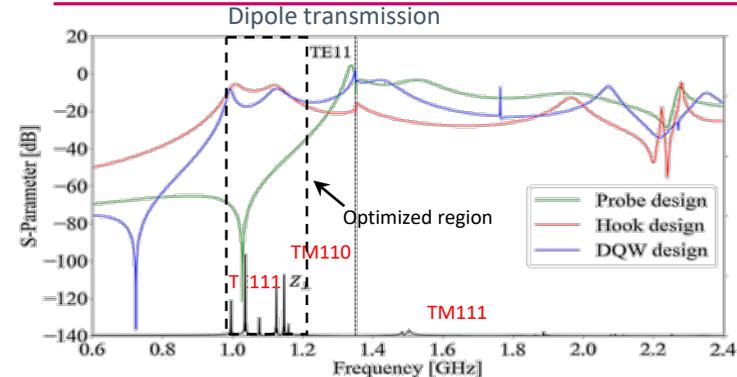
PERLE Requirements	Impacts	Challenges	Possible Solutions
CW operation (RF)	High dynamic losses	The highest cavity $Q_0$	Cavity post-treatment (Doping, infusion...)
High current operation	High HOMs excitation	Efficient HOMs extraction & damping	Act on cavity design: low frequency cavity choice (< 1GHz), larger cavity aperture, fewer cells for the a given gradient, optimisation of end-cell design.
Muti-bunches operation	Increase beam instabilities	The highest BBU threshold	Regular spacing of bunches: optimisation of the bunch filling pattern during Lattice design + BBU study after HOM optimisation (including collective effects).



## HOM coupler optimization of 3 different designs

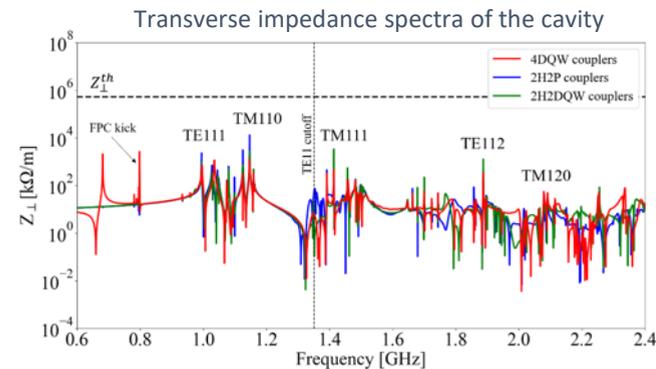
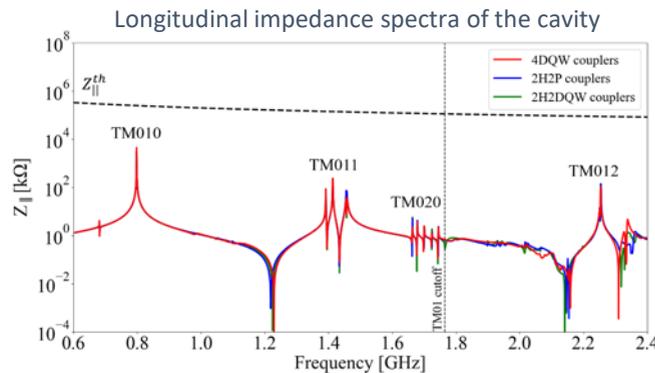
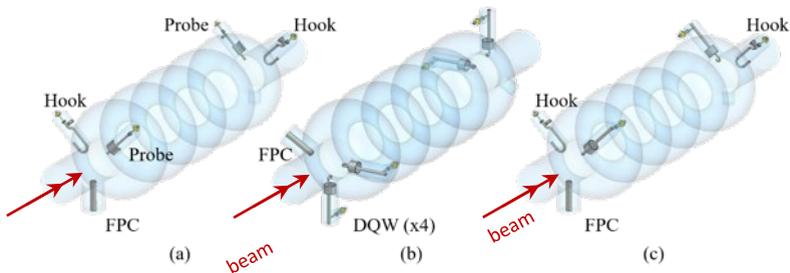


## Collaboration IJCLab-Jlab and CERN



- Couplers were geometrically optimized according to HOM spectrum ( $Z_{||}$  and  $Z_{\perp}$ ) & S-parameters btw port 1 (beam pipe) & port 2 (coupler output) were studied.
- The hook coupler provides higher damping of the first two dipole passbands (TE111 and TM110)
- The DQW coupler exhibits a better monopole coupling for TM010 mode than the probe design.

## Study of 2 damping schemes with 4 HOM couplers (Especially for dipole HOM extraction)

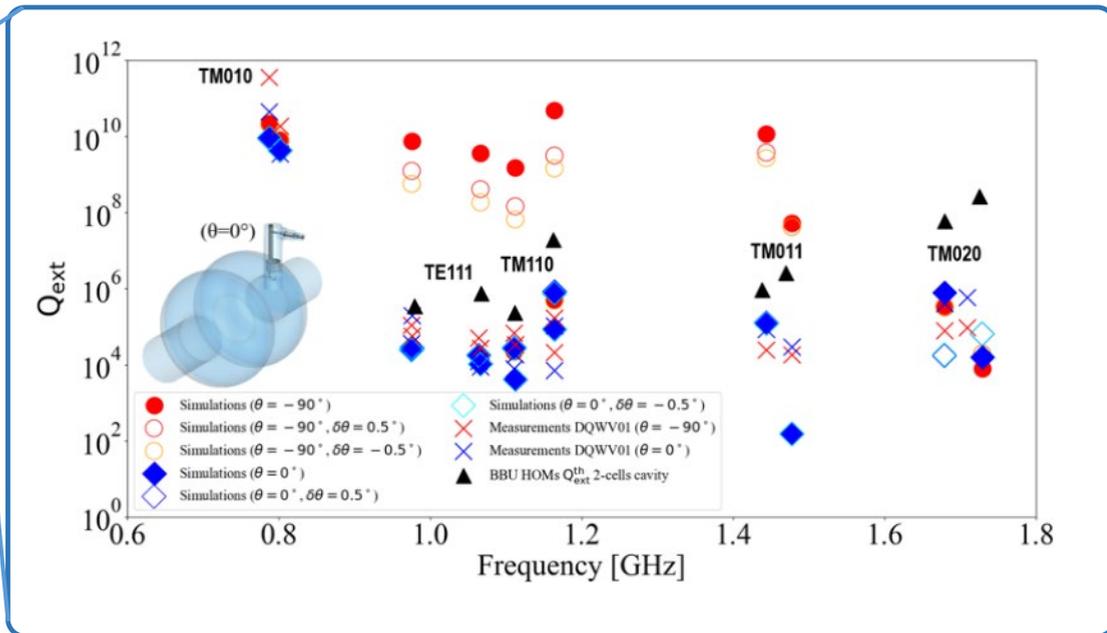
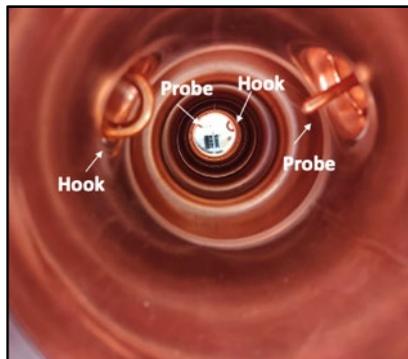
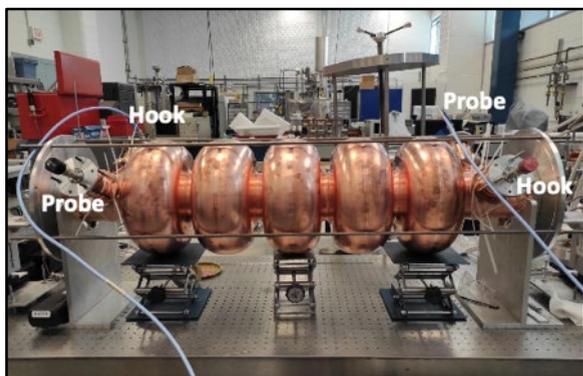


→ Promising results of the 4 DQW scheme: It allows damping both monopole and dipole HOMs below the analytically-computed beam-stability limits

From RF design to performance measurements: **Successful collaborative effort between IJCLab, Jefferson Lab & CERN**



3D-printed prototype (Epoxy Accura 48) copper-coated @CERN



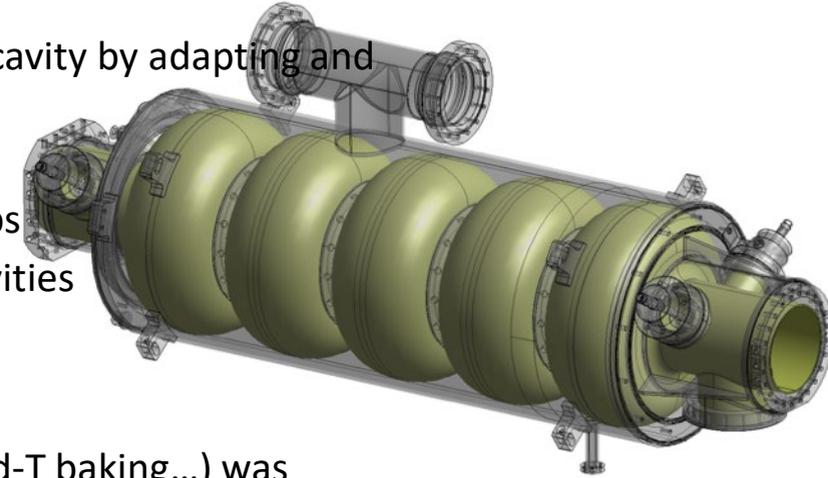
Ultimately, we aim to produce Nb HOM couplers with optimised design and to install them on a new Nb 5-cell PERLE cavity with optimised end groups. **The Production of 4 cavity scheduled within the ISAS program**

C. Barbagallo et al. "First RF measurements of coaxial HOM coupler prototypes in a copper cavity for the PERLE project"- IPAC'23- MOPA025

*More in Akira Miyasaki talk*

With the results of the previous studies, we complete the design of the 5-Cell cavity by adapting and integrating:

- A helium jacket made of Titanium (including the beam pipes)
- 4 HOM couplers and the fundamental power coupler to the end-groups
- A “classical” tuning system as the the one developed for the ESS Spoke cavities
- A BLA (very preliminary design) between cavities
- A “cold” magnetic shield

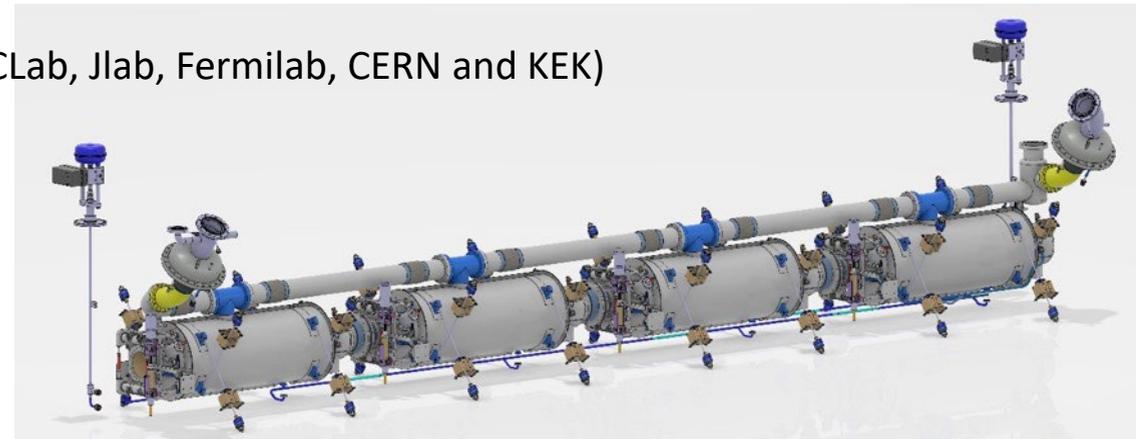


A review meeting on the cavity post-production processes recipes (EP, BCP, Mid-T baking...) was organised end of March with international experts.

→ An R&D program ongoing for recipe optimization (Coll. IJCLab, Jlab, Fermilab, CERN and KEK)

## **Within iSAS program:**

- The Nb procurement procedure is lunched (for single and multi-cell cavities).
- It is foreseen to lunched the procurement procedure of 4 cavities also before end of the year.





## Conclusions and further comments:

- We are making good progress on design phase, **PERLE TDR is foreseen to be released fall 2025.**
- We adopt a **staging approach to build PERLE** in respect to available funds and in-kind contributions. **More funds are needed for the complete program.**
- **DC-gun + photocathode+ preparation chamber** acquired by RI within a **Collaboration Agreement**. All material has been shipped to IJCLab end of January 2024. Installation is ongoing on the chosen site (The “Igloo” at IJCLab). The **Laser** has been also purchased and delivered.
- **iSAS**: European INFRA-TECH project 11 research partners (**CNRS, CERN, ESS, DESY, VUB, CEA, HZB, INFN, UKRI, UL, EPFL**). Financial support for the construction of the **full LINAC cryomodule** (with IN2P3 matching funds + CM vessel from ESS).
- **Funds obtained within RI2 national program (CNRS)** which should allow to finance **the full injection line and a part of a first tour equipment.**
- Agreement with HZB to recuperate part of the Cryogenic equipment: **Cryogenic plant, valve box and transfer lines.** Materiel transfer to IJCLab is foreseen for October 2026.

# In Memory of Max Klein



**We lost a friend and a brilliant scientist.**

Our particle physics and accelerator community owes him so much. In particular PERLE would not exist without Max's hard work and tenacity.



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