

Workshop on
 High-Power Targetry for Future Accelerators
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MEGAPIE - A liquid Pb-Bi target at SINQ

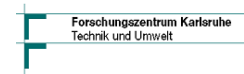


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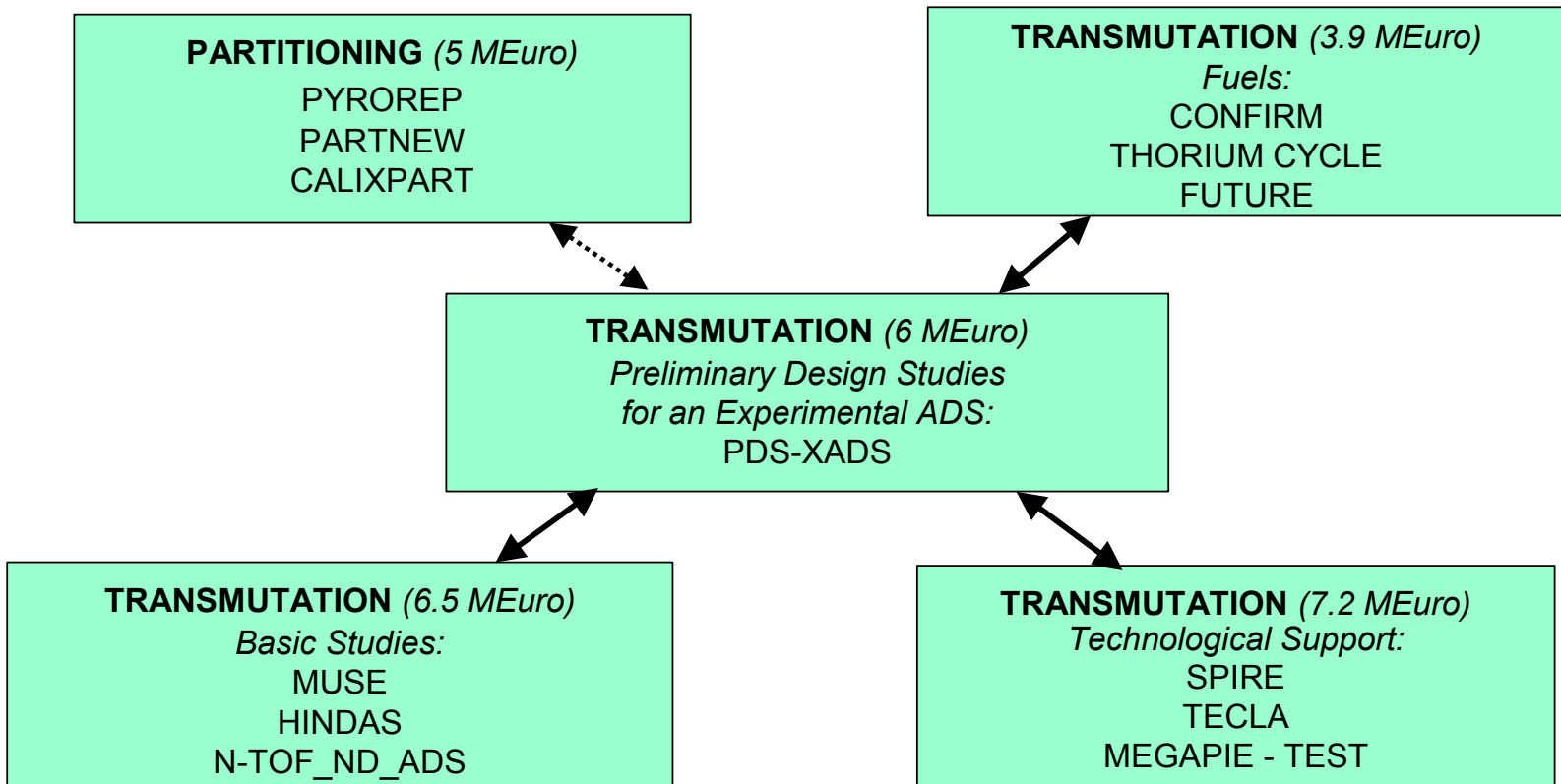
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5th Framework Program

Projects on ADvanced Options for Partitioning and Transmutation (**ADOPT**)



MEGAPIE Objectives

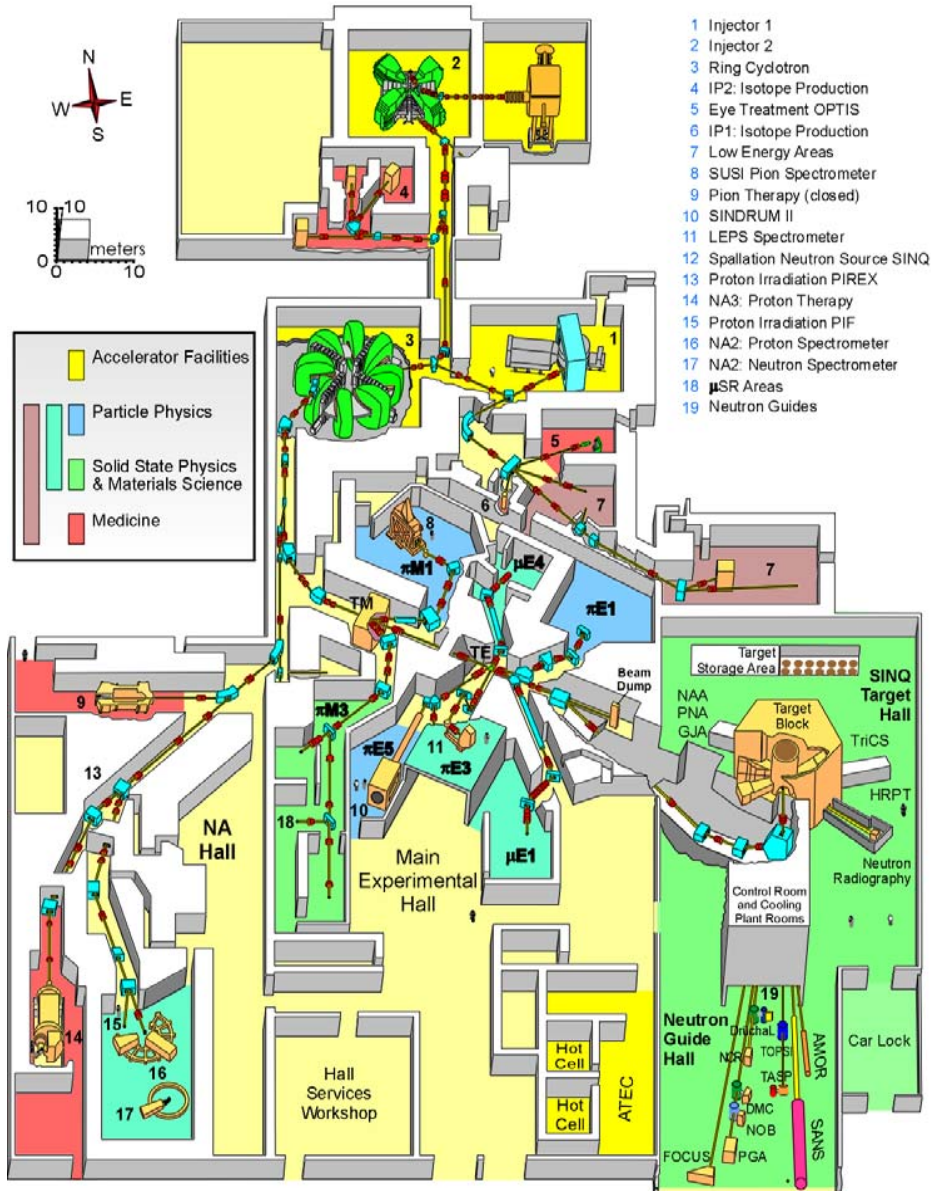
An experiment to be carried out in the SINQ target location to demonstrate the safe operation of a liquid metal spallation target of about 1 MW beam power

The minimum design service life will be 1 year (6000 mAh).

- Demonstration of feasibility for future ADS development
- Increase neutron flux for SINQ

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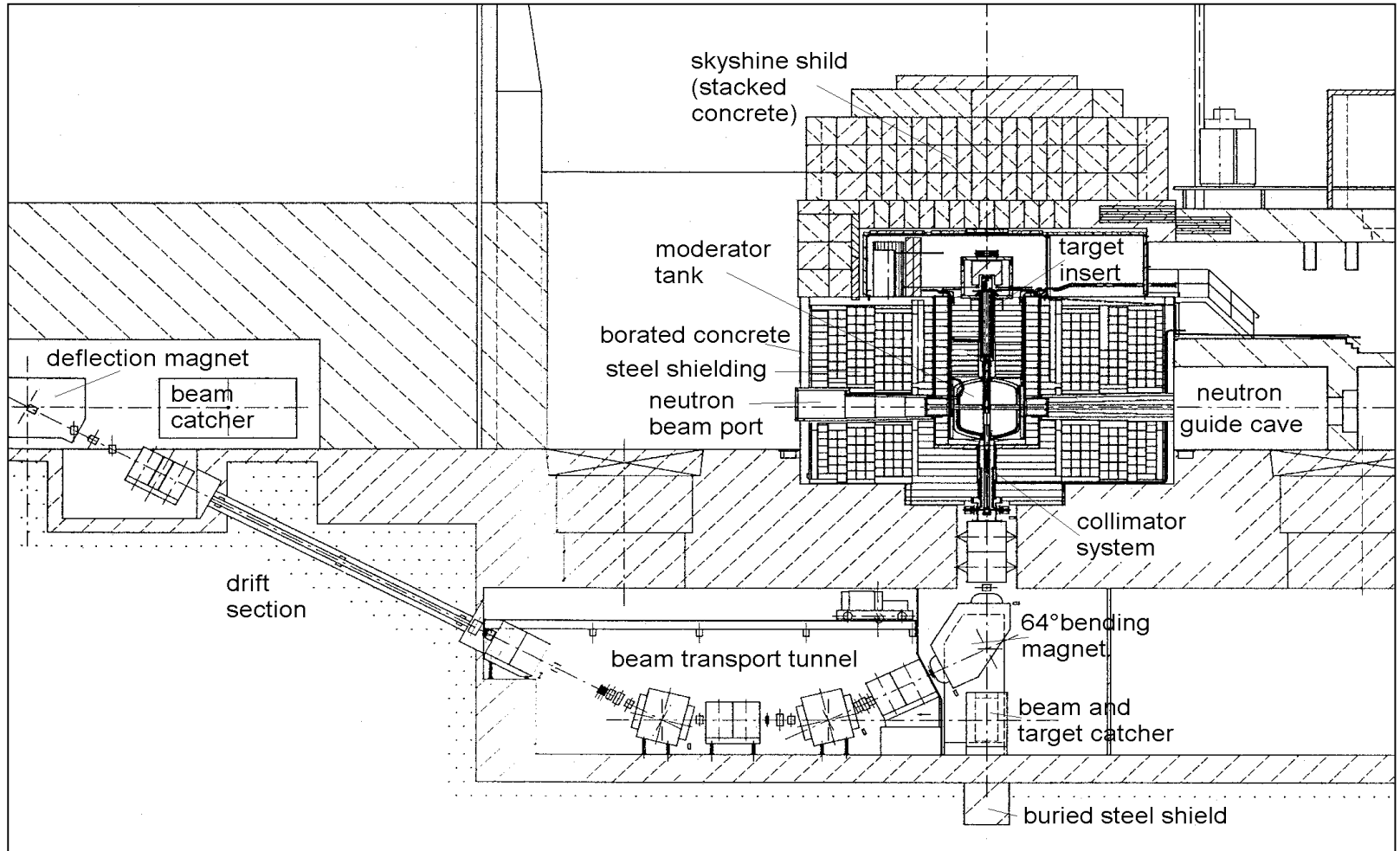
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- Radiation Damage
- Heat Removal
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- Status and Conclusions



590 MeV, 1.8 mA
 CW proton
 accelerator

575 MeV, 1.25 mA
 spallation neutron
 source

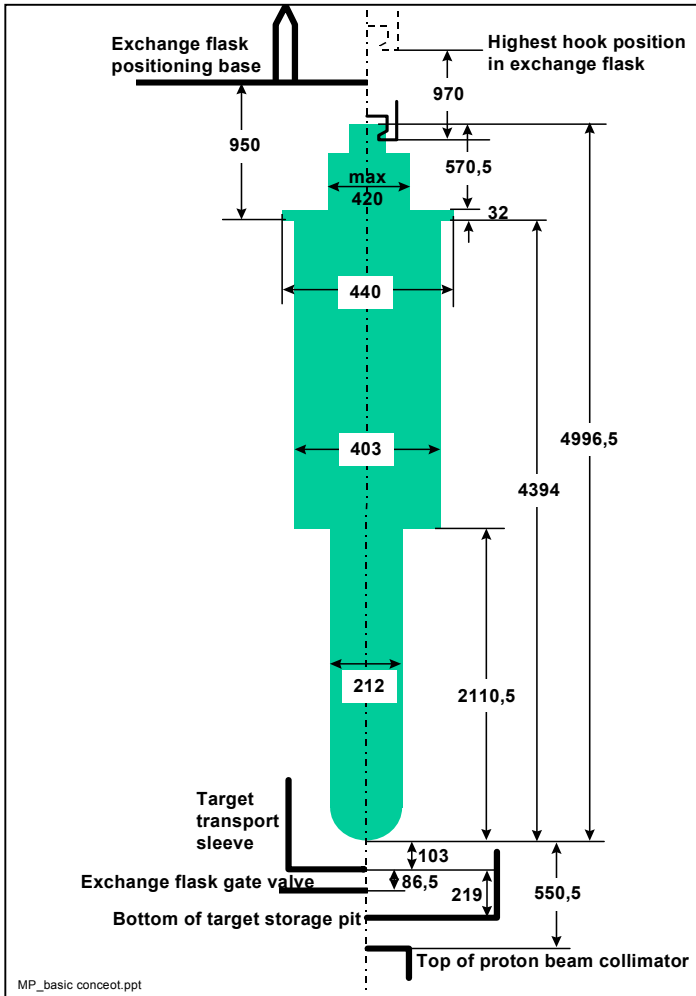
SINQ Spallation Neutron Source



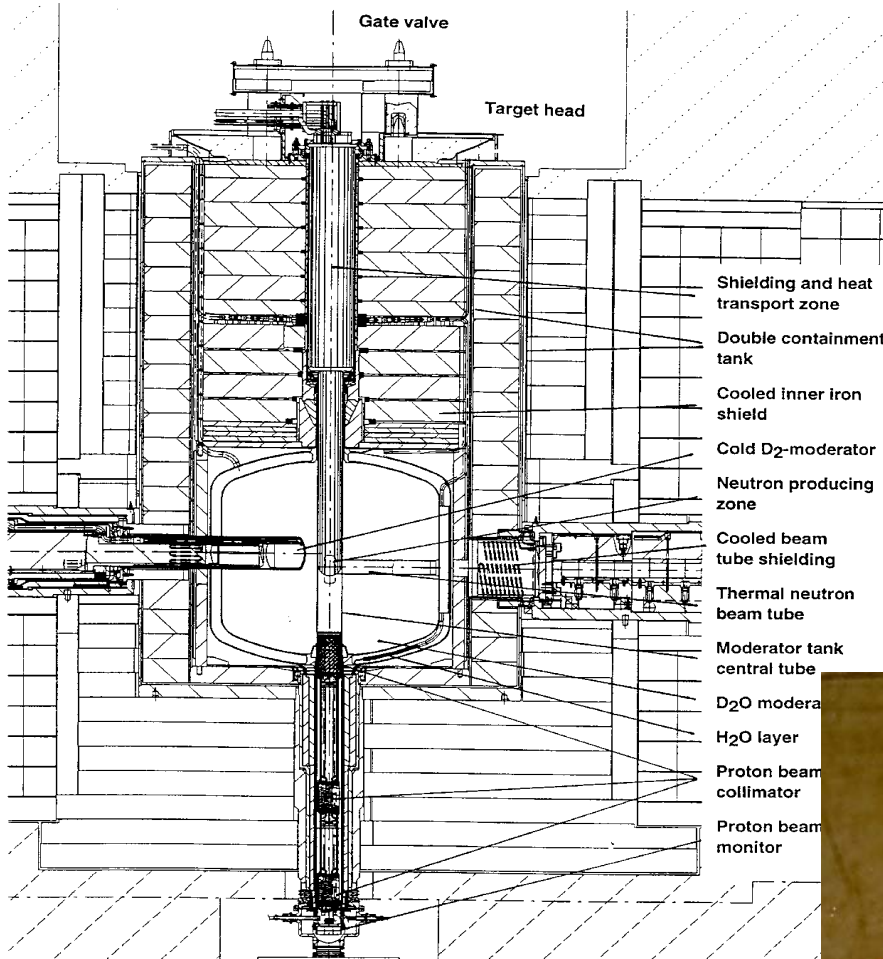
SINQ Target Mark II/III

- 150 rods (\varnothing 10.7 mm, 170 mm long)
- 316L stainless steel tubes filled with Lead
- about 20 rods for STIP program filled with miniature specimens of different materials (F/M steels, austenitic, W, Ta, SiC/SiC, Hg or LBDE capsules)
- Temperature range up to 250C (STIP-1), up to 350C (STIP2), 450C (STIP-3), \rightarrow 650C (STIP-4)
- Irradiation period is 2 years (peak fluence of 20 dpa)

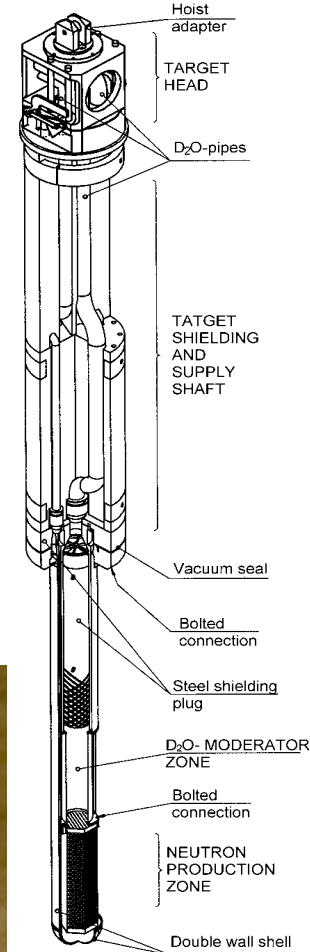
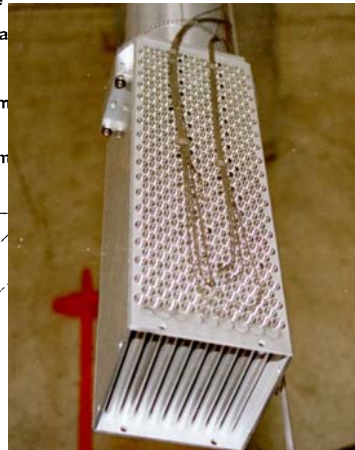
SINQ Target



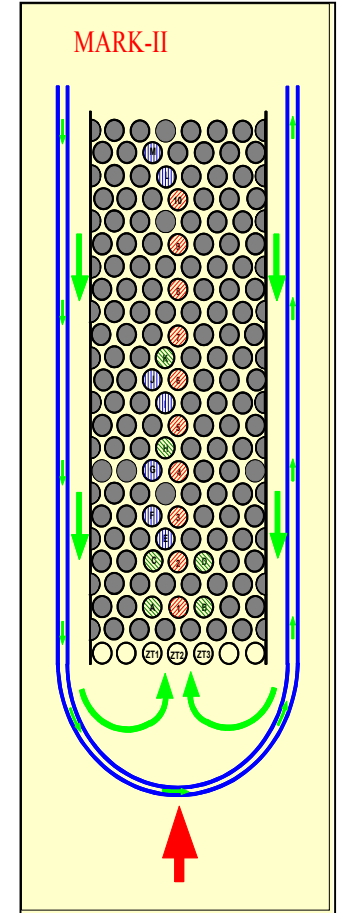
SINQ and Target



SINQ Target Block

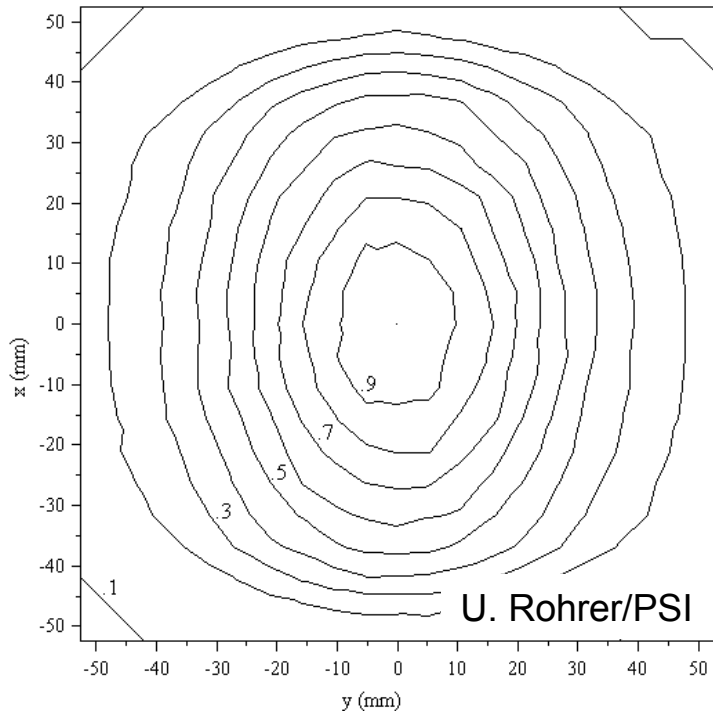


Solid Target



Proton Beam Profile

Normal Operation, Target E 4 cm



I_{\max} 20.7 $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$ per 1 mA

$$\sigma_x = 2.1 \text{ cm}, \sigma_y = 3.78 \text{ cm}$$

Accelerator Proton Beam in 2005:

2.0 mA

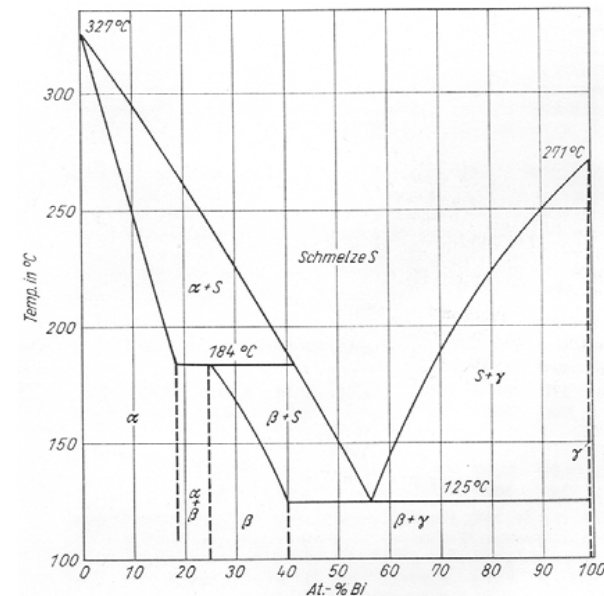
Beam on SINQ:

1.4 mA at 575 MeV

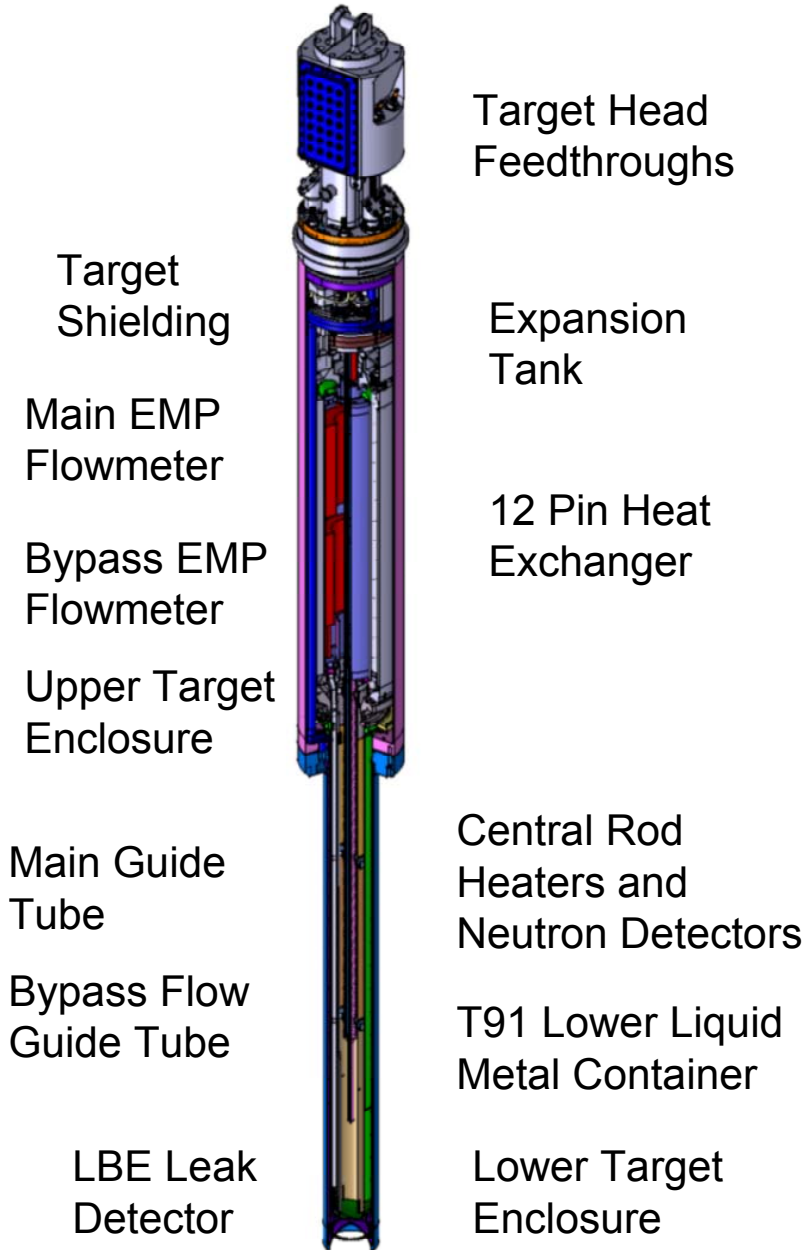
Reasons for LBE

- No Radiation Damage
- Good Heat Removal
- Low Melting Point
- Low thermal neutron cross section
- Low activation of cooling water
- Corrosion
- Po production (α)
- Complex Handling
- Limitation Beam Window

Properties		Hg	Pb	Bi	LBE
Atomic Number		80	82	83	„82.5“
Mass	g/mol	200.6	207.2	209	208.2
Density (20°C) liquid	g/cm ³	-	11.35	9.75	10.73
		13.55	10.7	10.07	10.57
Lin. Thermal Expansion	10 ⁻⁵ K ⁻¹	6.1	2.91	1.75	
Solidification Shrinkage ΔV	%	-	3.32	-3.35	-1.48
Melting Point	°C	-38.9	327.5	271.3	125
Boiling Point	°C	356.6	1740	1560	1670
Specific Heat	J/gK	0.12	0.14	0.15	0.15
Thermal Neutron Cross Section	barn	389	0.17	0.034	0.11



MEGAPIE Target



Target Head
Feedthroughs

Expansion
Tank

12 Pin Heat
Exchanger

Central Rod
Heaters and
Neutron Detectors

T91 Lower Liquid
Metal Container

Lower Target
Enclosure

Target
Shielding

Main EMP
Flowmeter

Bypass EMP
Flowmeter

Upper Target
Enclosure

Main Guide
Tube

Bypass Flow
Guide Tube

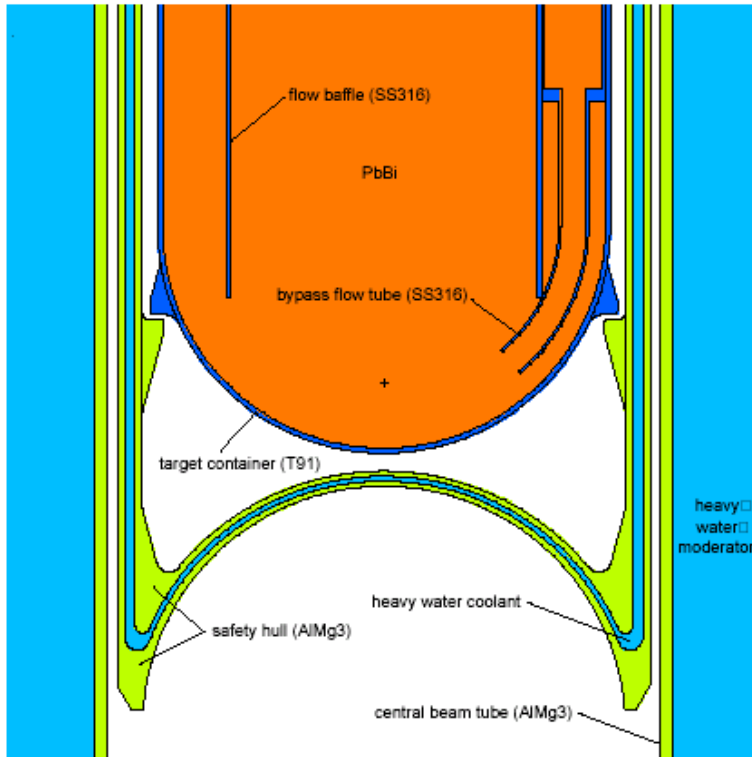
LBE Leak
Detector

Beam energy:	575 MeV
Beam current:	1.74 mA (design)
Target material:	Lead-bismuth eutectic
LBE volume:	85 l
Wetted surface:	8 m ²
Deposited Heat:	650-700 kW
LBE T range:	230-380°C
Max. flow velocity:	~1.2 m/s
Beam window:	T91 martensitic steel
Window Temperature:	330-380°C
Radiation Damage:	20 dpa
Other components:	316L

Nuclear Assessment

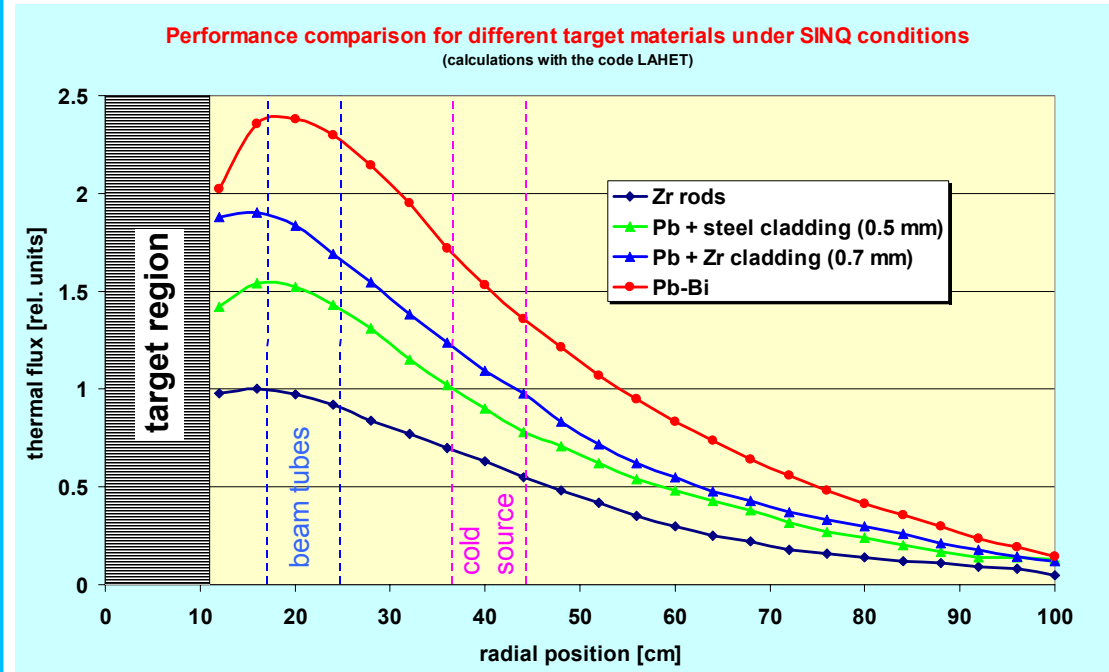
- Code comparison calculations
- MCNPX and FLUKA
- Validation experiments (CERN, PSI, HINDAS) on gas and spallation products production
- Instrumentation of target with microfission chambers and activation foils
- Neutron flux measurement at beam ports

MEGAPIE Neutron Flux



Peak flux

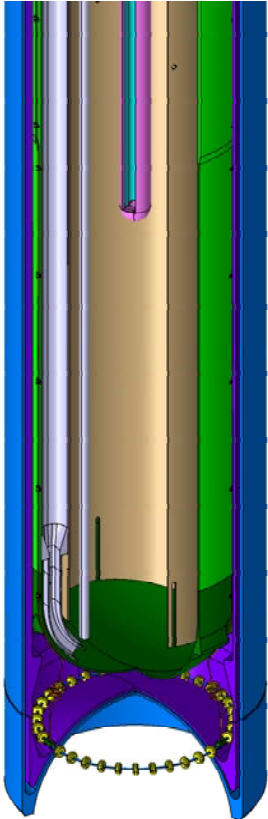
1.8-2 E14 total neutrons
1.2-1.3E14 thermal neutrons
at 1.74 mA



LAHET calculations A. Dementjev, E. Lehmann

Increase of >40% compared
 to current solid lead target

Neutron Yield

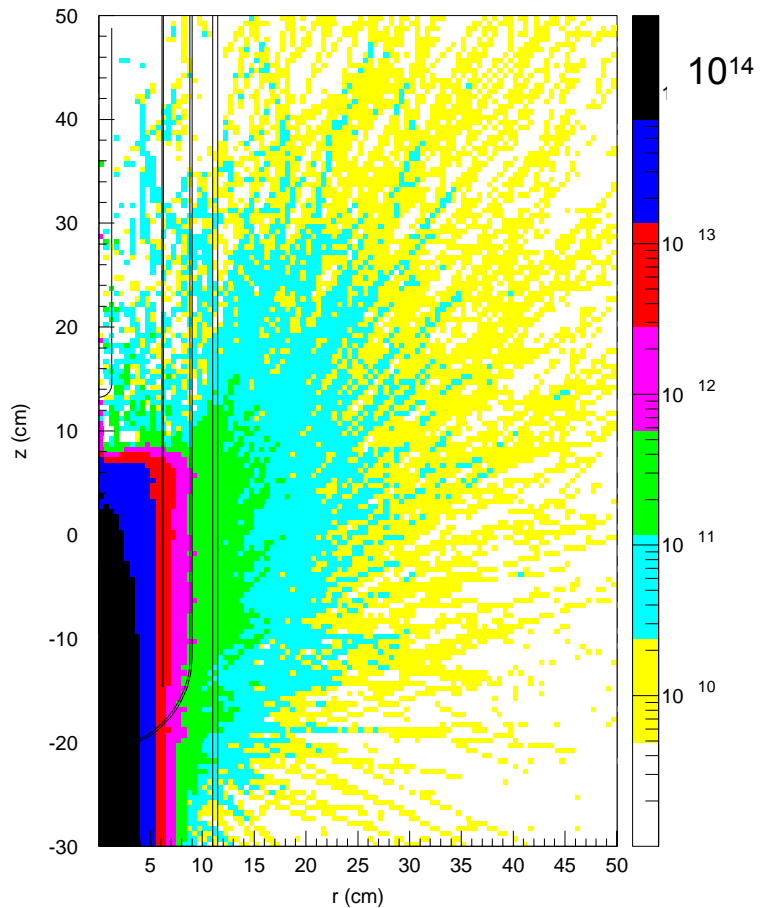


Neutrons per Proton

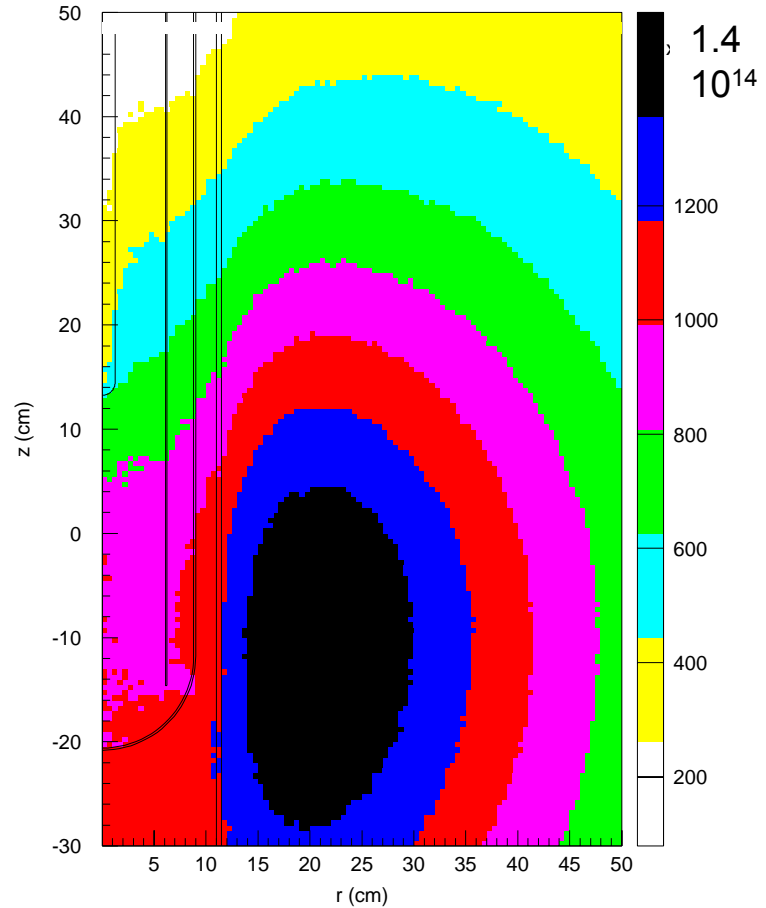
	Pb/steel	LBE
Total	7.62	10.99
Target Int.	- 0.113	- 0.232
Cladding	- 1.01	- 0.635
D2O	- 0.044	- 0.401
Container	-0.248	- 1.23
Net	6.17	8.49

E. Pitcher et al.: Icats-XVI, 2003

Nuclear Assessment



Proton Flux, 1.74 mA



Thermal Neutron Flux

$E < 0.625$ eV

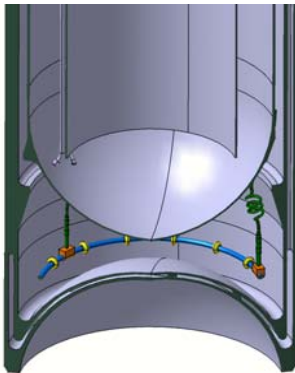
E. Pitcher, 2002

Beam Window: T91 martensitic 9Cr-1MoVNb steel

- Removal of Heat (5kW): cold LBE jet across window
 - CFD modelling
 - Experimental verification (KILOPIE, TECLA)
- Static and Fatigue Loads (ABAQUS, ANSYS, RCC-MR)
- Corrosion and LME (TECLA)
- Radiation Damage (SPIRE, STIP)

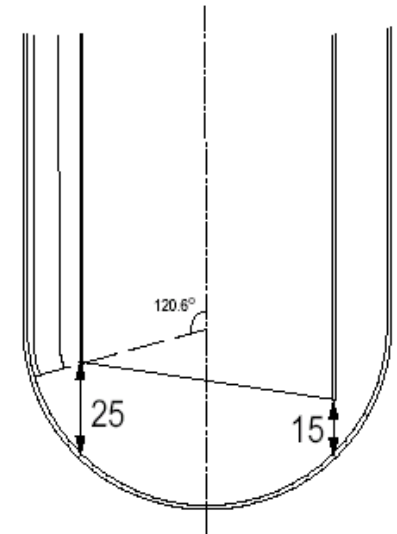
Lower Liquid Metal Container

LBE Container
 Beam Entrance Window
 Carry LBE Leak Detector



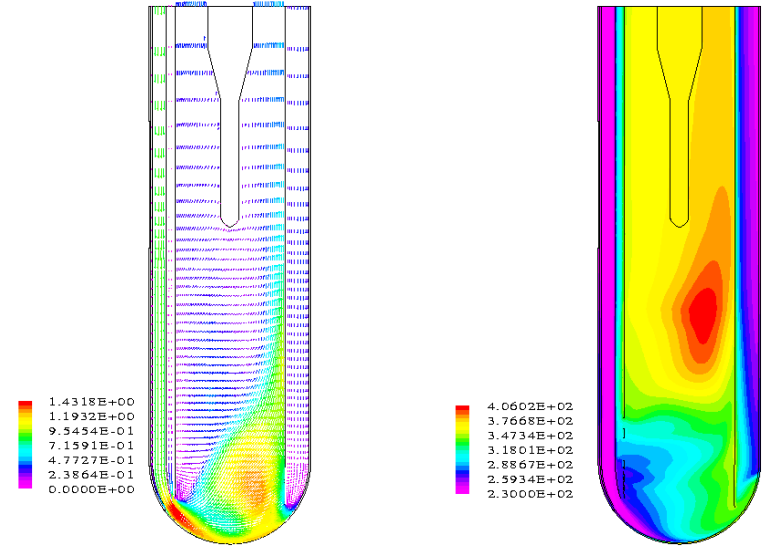
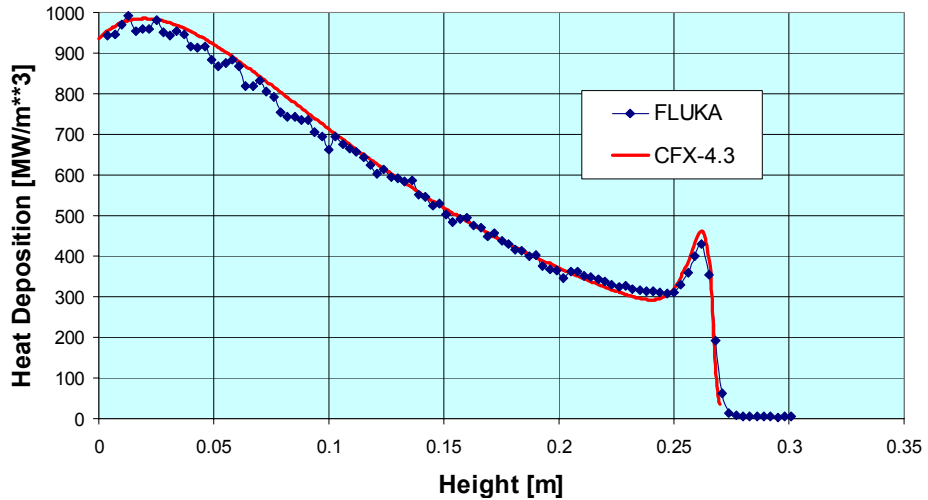
4 mm outside
 2 mm in
 spallation zone
 1.5 - 2 mm in
 window

T91



Reference Design

Thermalhydraulics - CFD simulations



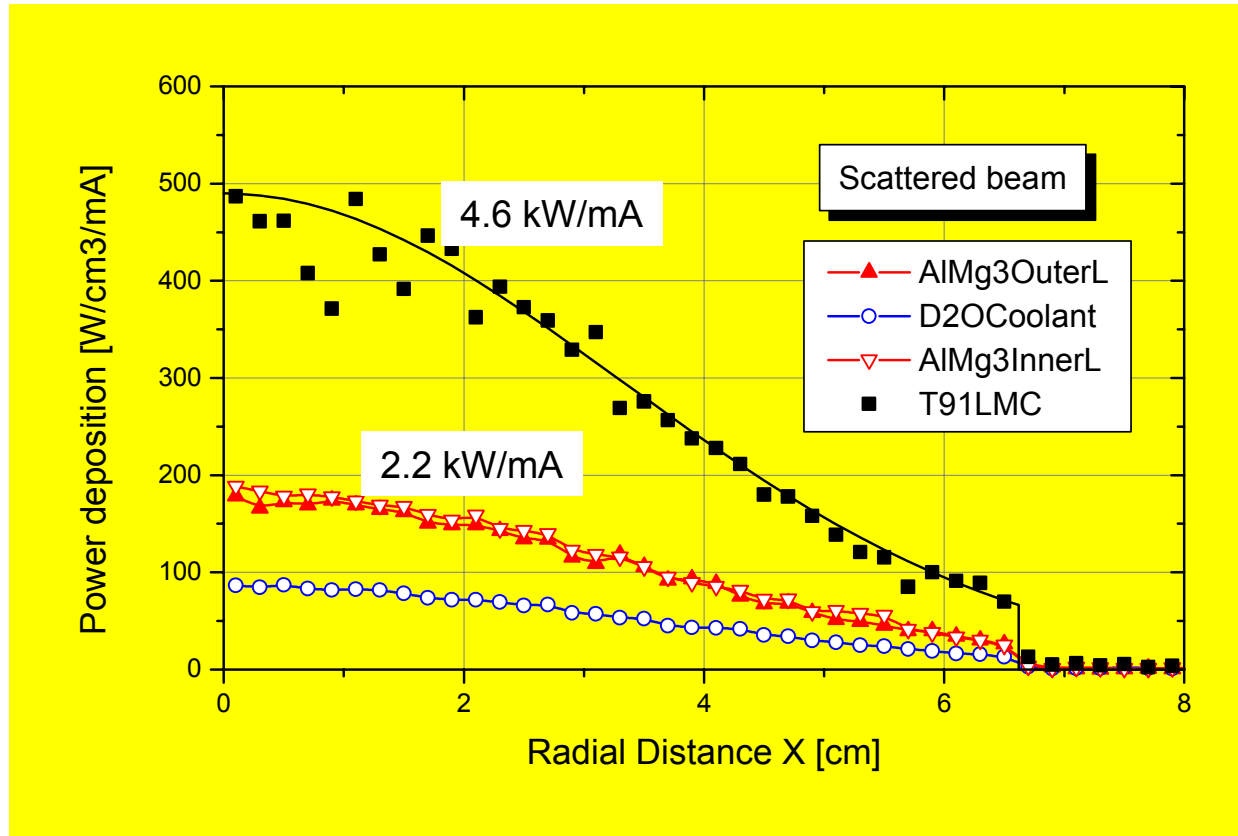
Material	FLUKA [kW]	CFX-4.3 [kW]
LBE	705.8	709.9
Window	5.56	5.28
T91 Hull	2.68	1.21
Guide tube	5.55	6.03
Total	719.6	722.4

1.74 mA

		T_{peak} [C]			
Beam	Maj. Axis	LBE	Guide T.	C. Rod	Window
1.74 mA	= Bypass	422.7	368.2	386.8	370.2
	⊥ Bypass	424.1	363.1	389.5	360.3
1.4 mA	= Bypass	384.4	339.4	355.7	342.5

T. Dury, PSI, 2003

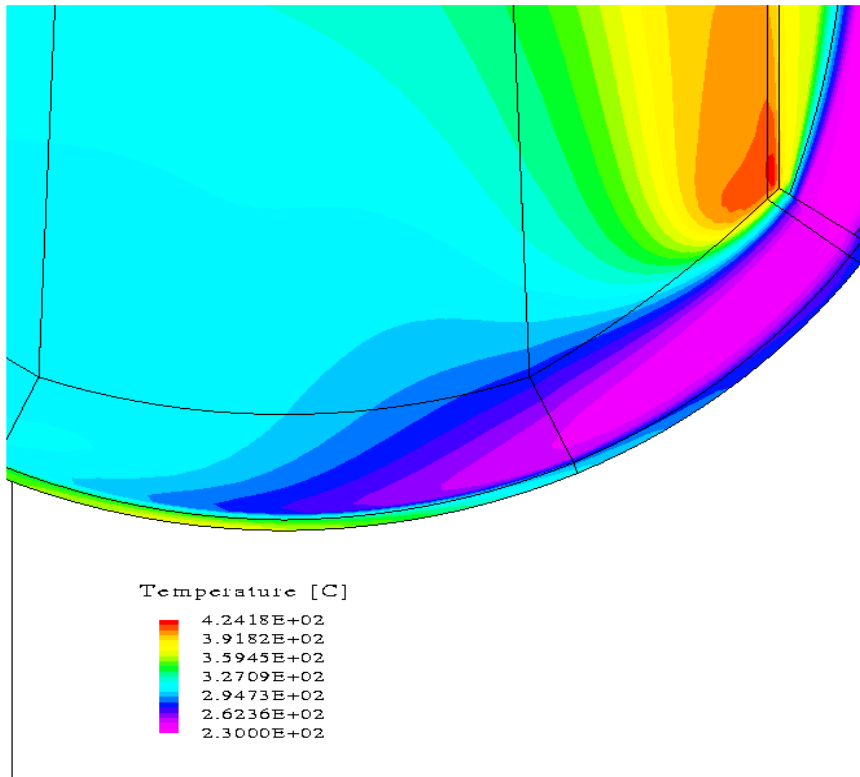
Power Deposition in Beam Windows



Y. Foucher, PSI Report 2002

Normal Operation Target E 4 cm
Baseline Profile

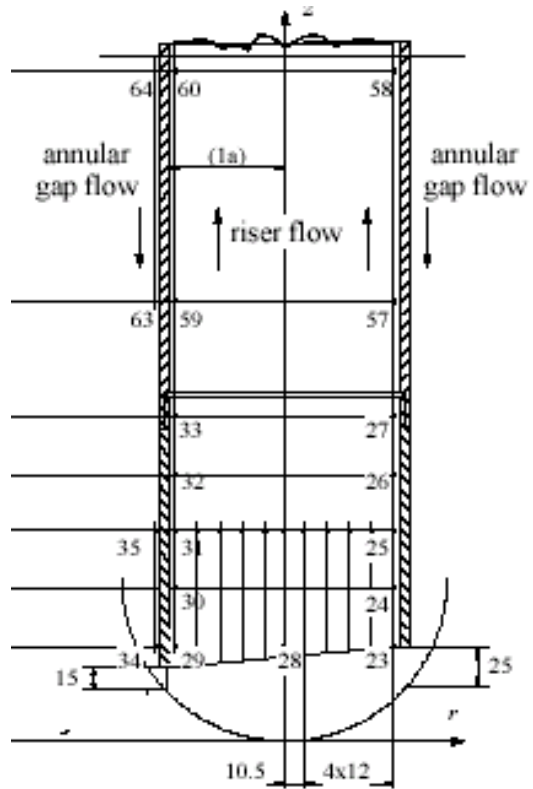
Beam Window Cooling



Baseline Beam Profile, 1.74 mA
 Bypass Jet Flow: 0.25 l/s
 Annular Down Flow: 3.75 l/s

Y. Dury: PSI Report 2002, Annex

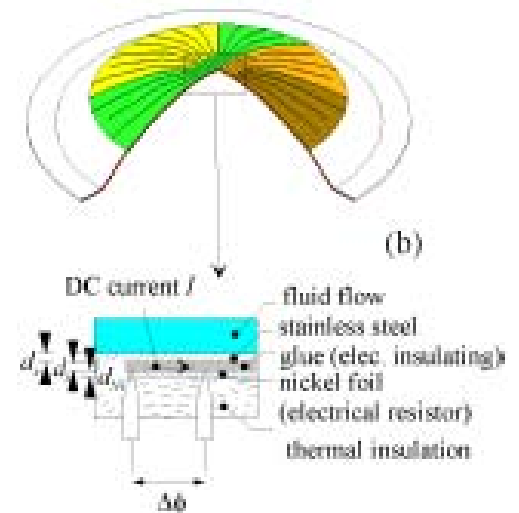
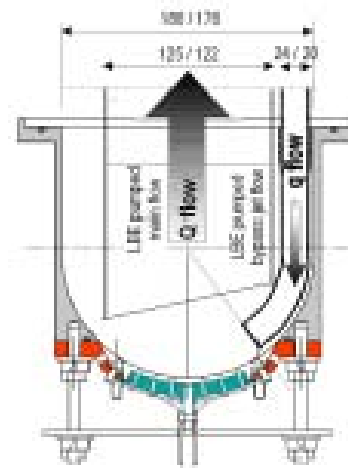
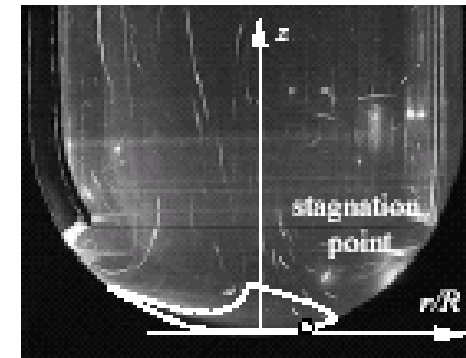
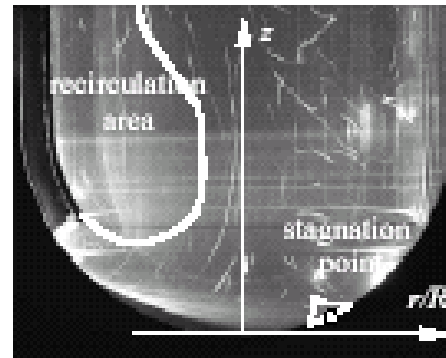
Experimental Validation



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 $Q_{\text{main}}/Q_{\text{bypass}}$

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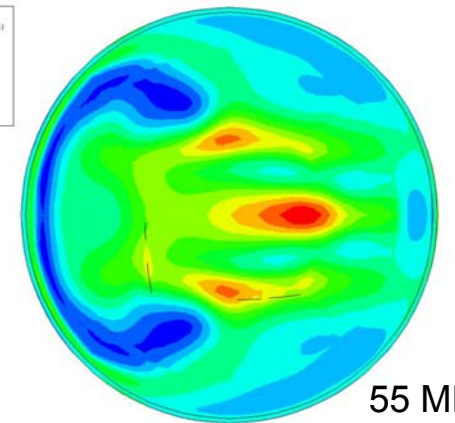
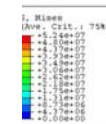


HYTAS Water Experiment, FZK
 LBE Heated Jet Experiment, FZK
 LBE KILOPIE Experiment, PSI-FZK

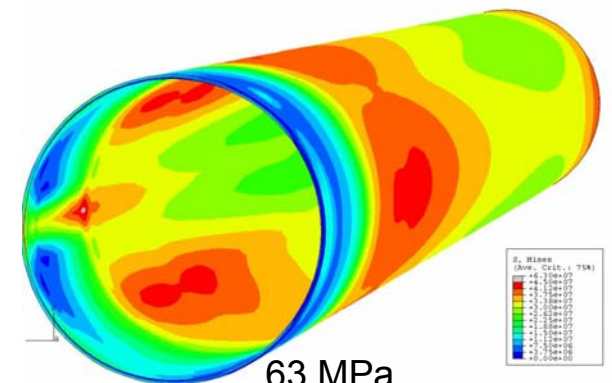
Stress Analysis

Guide Tube	Beam			LBE Weight	Max. Temperature (°C)		Max. Mises Stress (MPa)	
	Profile	Power (mA)	Orientation		Guide tube	Window	Guide tube	Window
Flat	old	2.5	0°	no	411	367	201	44
Flat	old	2.5	90°	no	359	380	44	45
Slanted	old	2.5	0°	no	364	368	107	42
Slanted	old	2.5	0°	yes	364	368	105	57
Slanted	old	2.5	90°	no	360	371	44	42
Slanted	old	2.5	90°	yes	360	371	45	58
Slanted	new	2.5	0°	no	367	370	66	41
Slanted	new	2.5	0°	yes	367	370	63	55
Slanted	new	2.5	90°	no	362	359	46	43
Slanted	new	2.5	90°	yes	362	359	46	58
Flat	new	2.0	0°	yes	337	353	49	51
Slanted	new	2.0	0°	yes	338	342	49	46

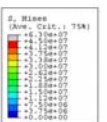
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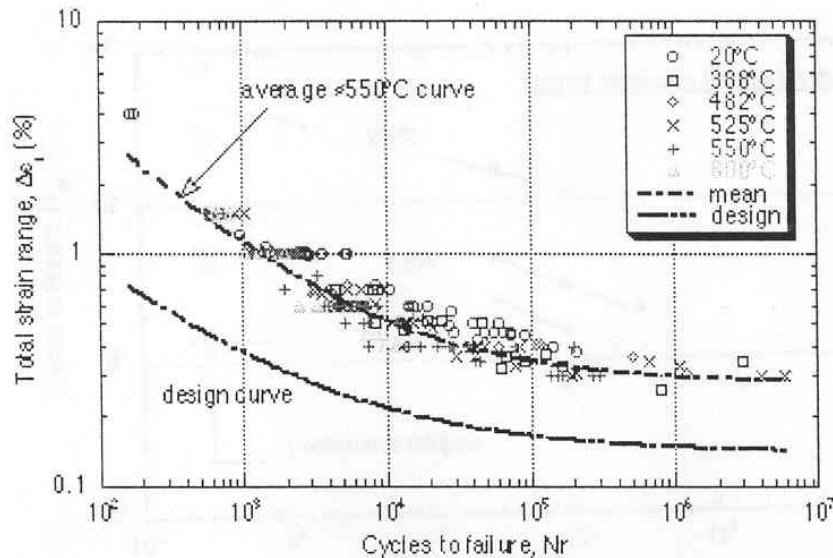
55 MPa



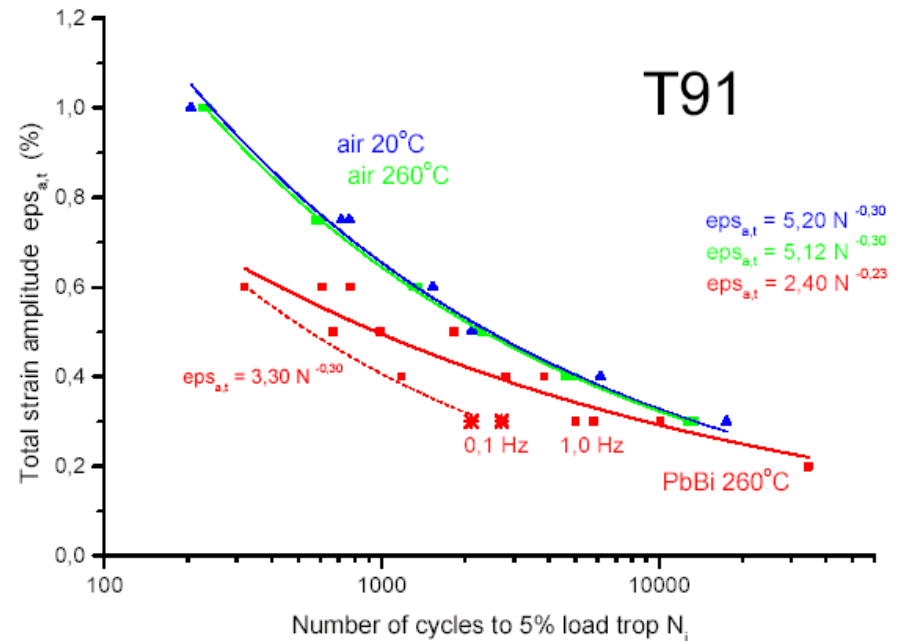
63 MPa



Fatigue Resistance of T91 - Influence of LBE

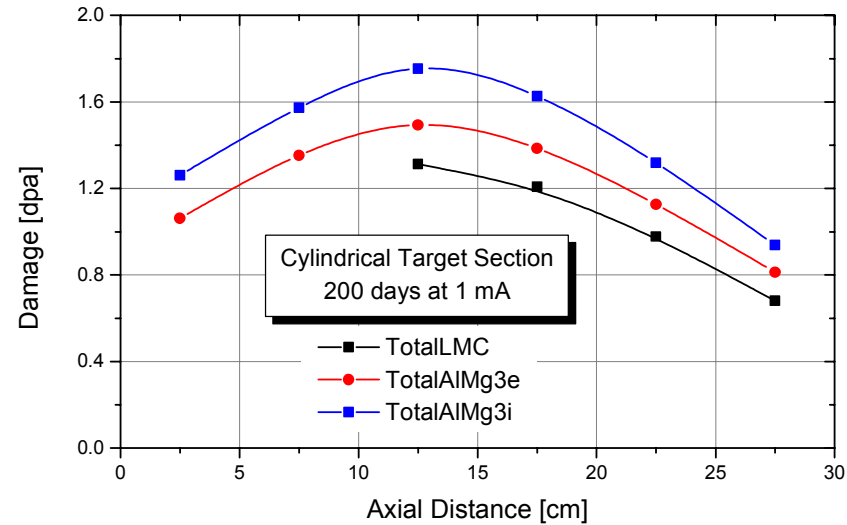
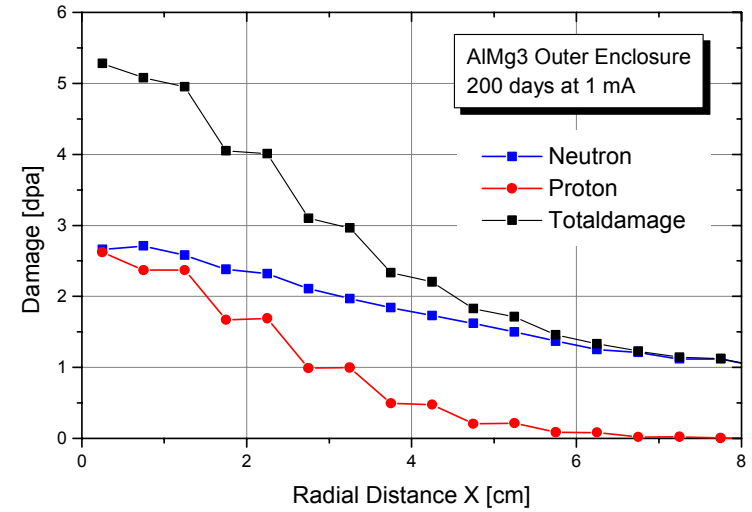
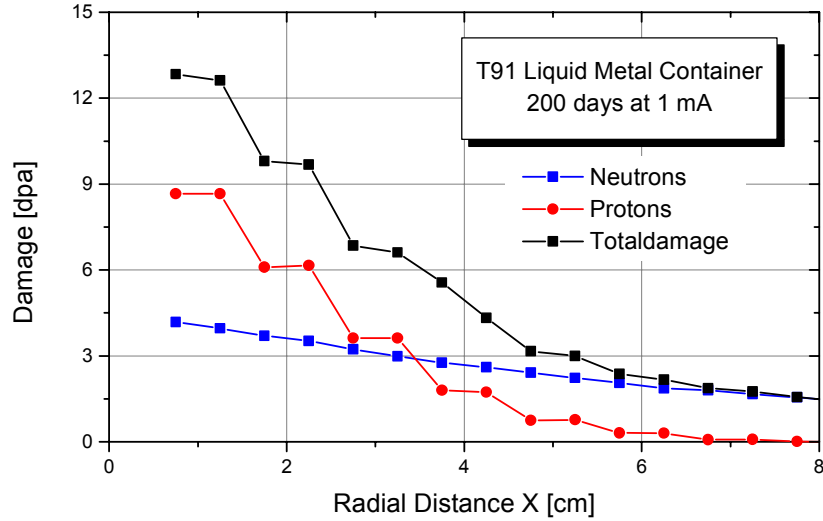


Design curve acc. RCC-MR



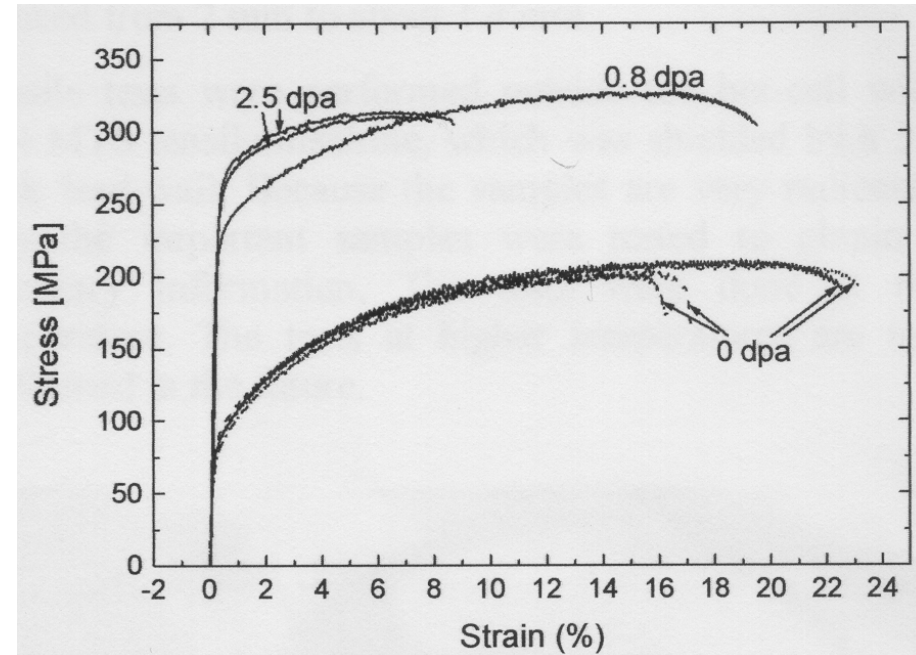
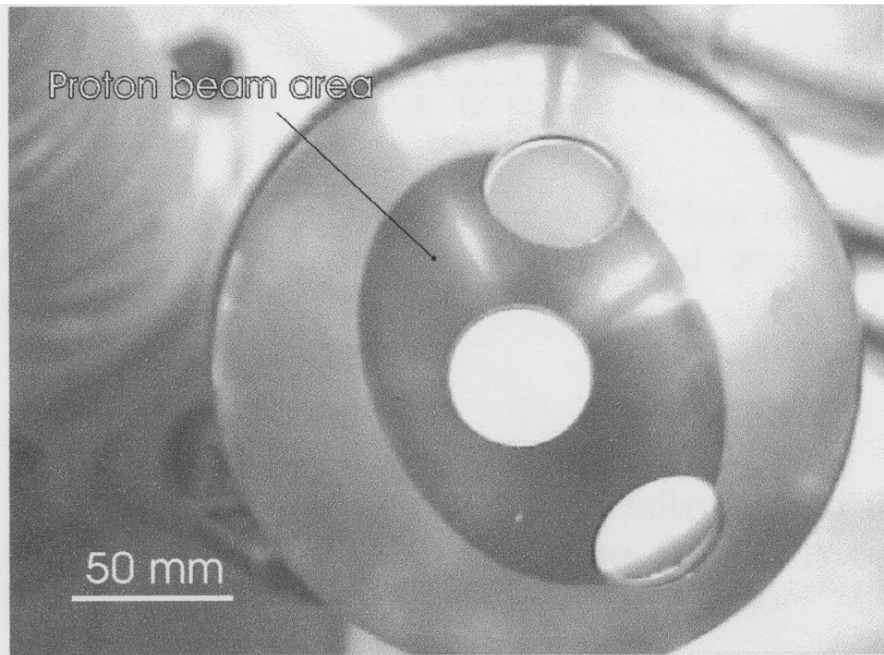
Kalkhof, Grosse: IWSTM-5, 2002

Radiation Damage



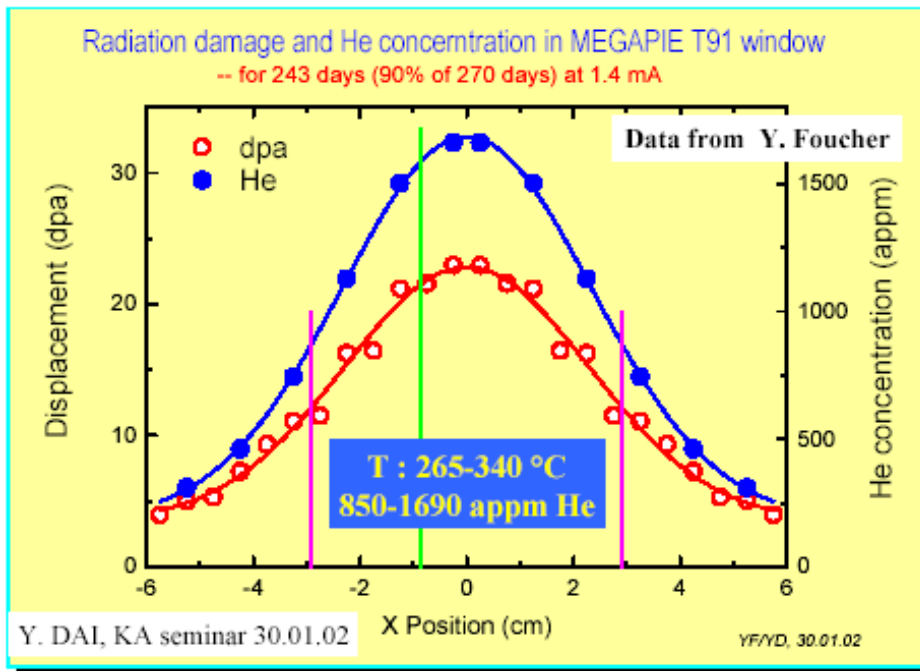
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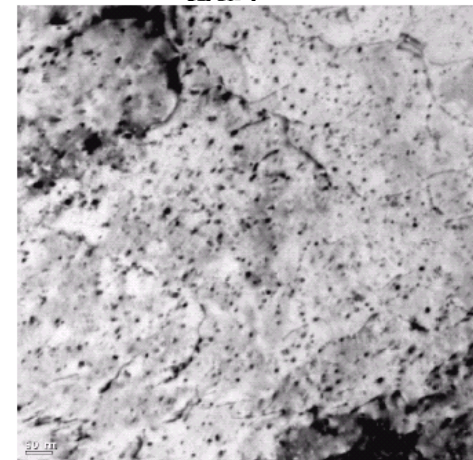
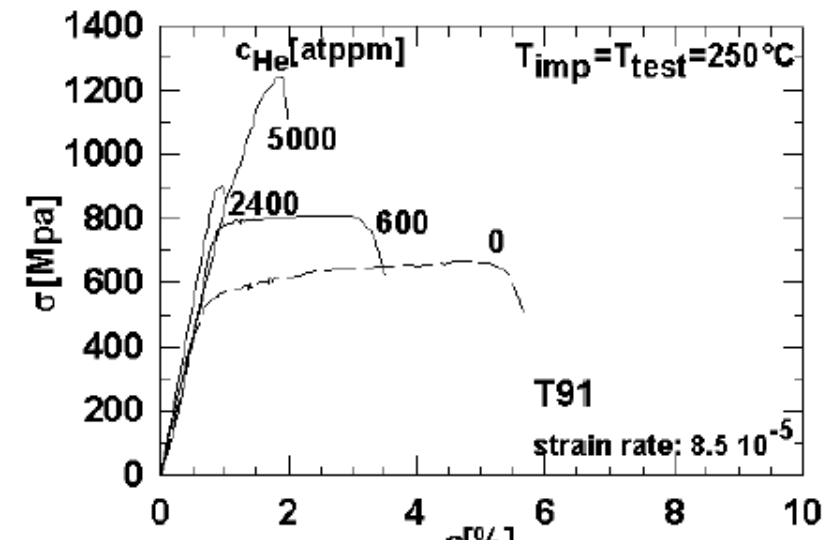


Dai et al.: PSI Annual Report 2001

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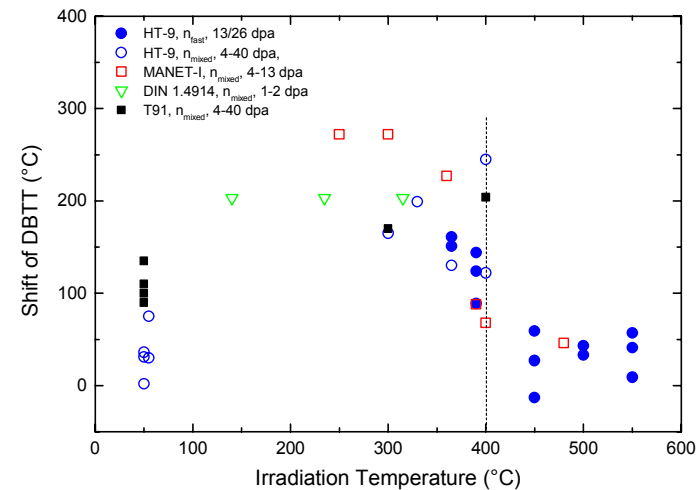
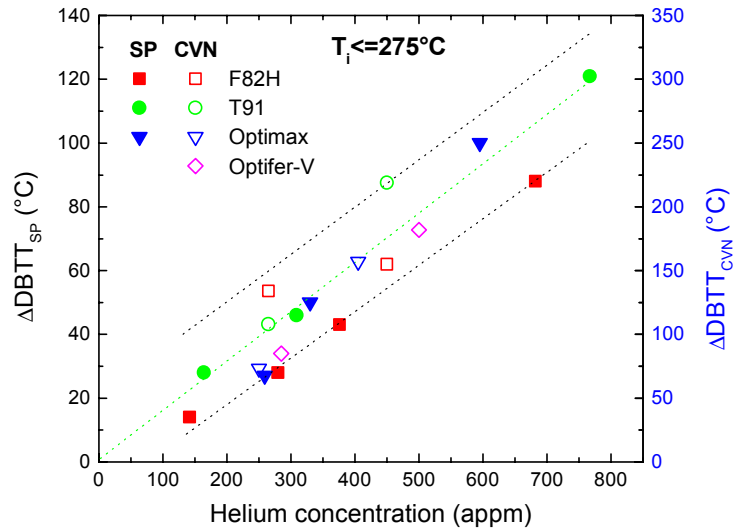
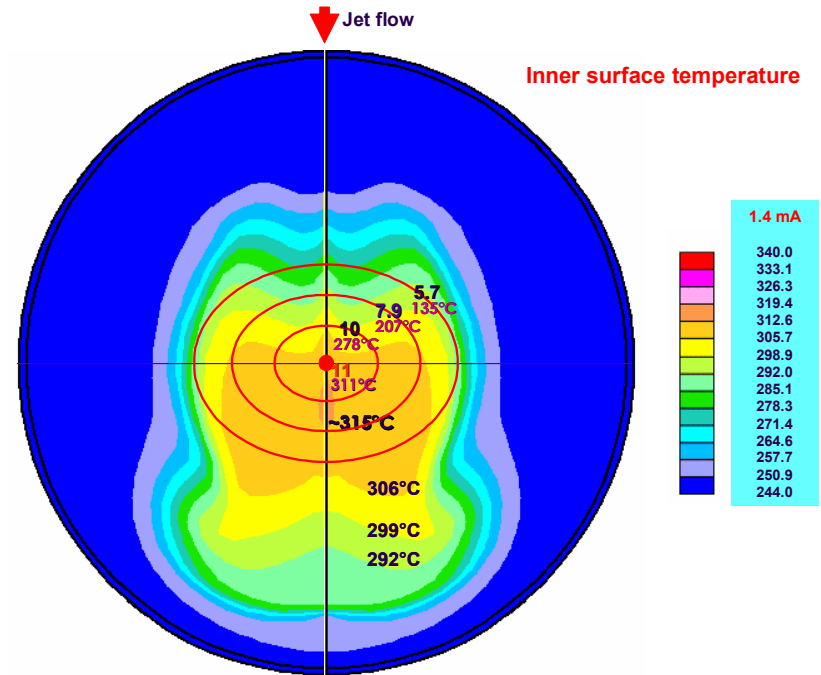
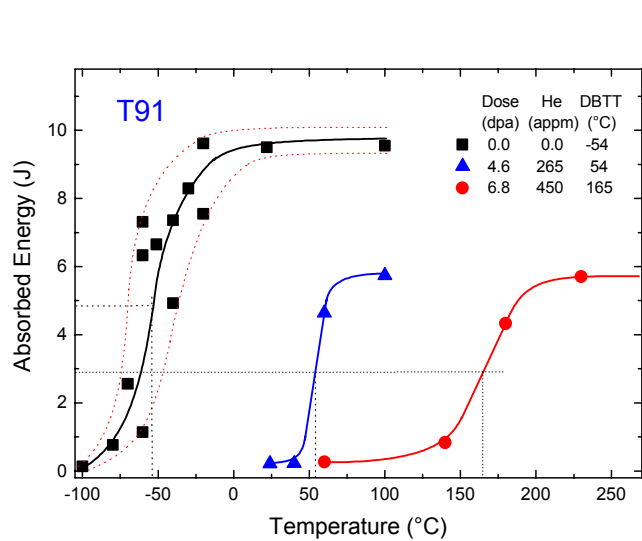


T91 implanted at 250 °C

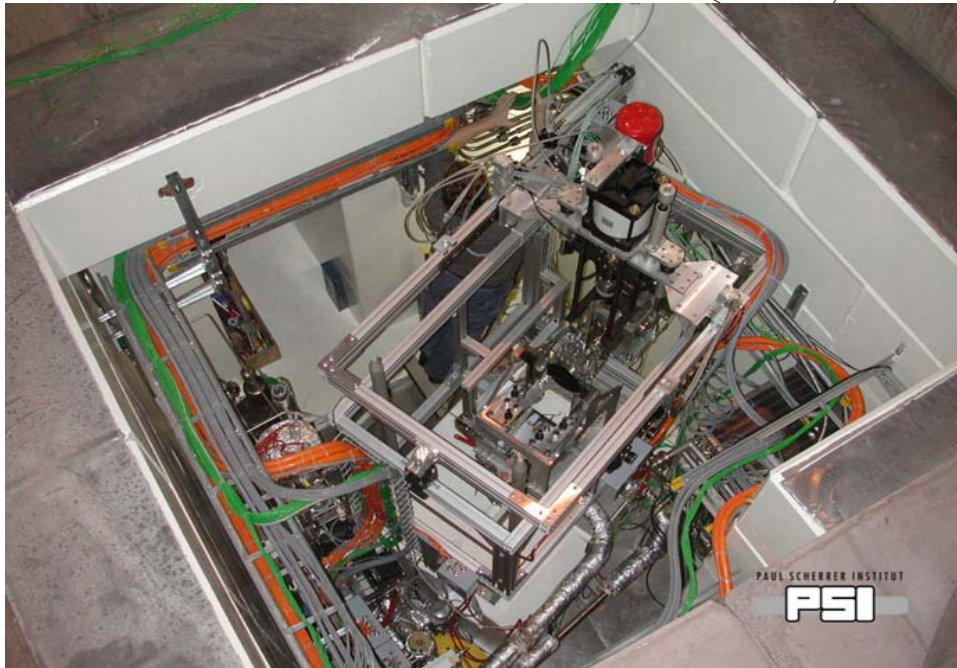
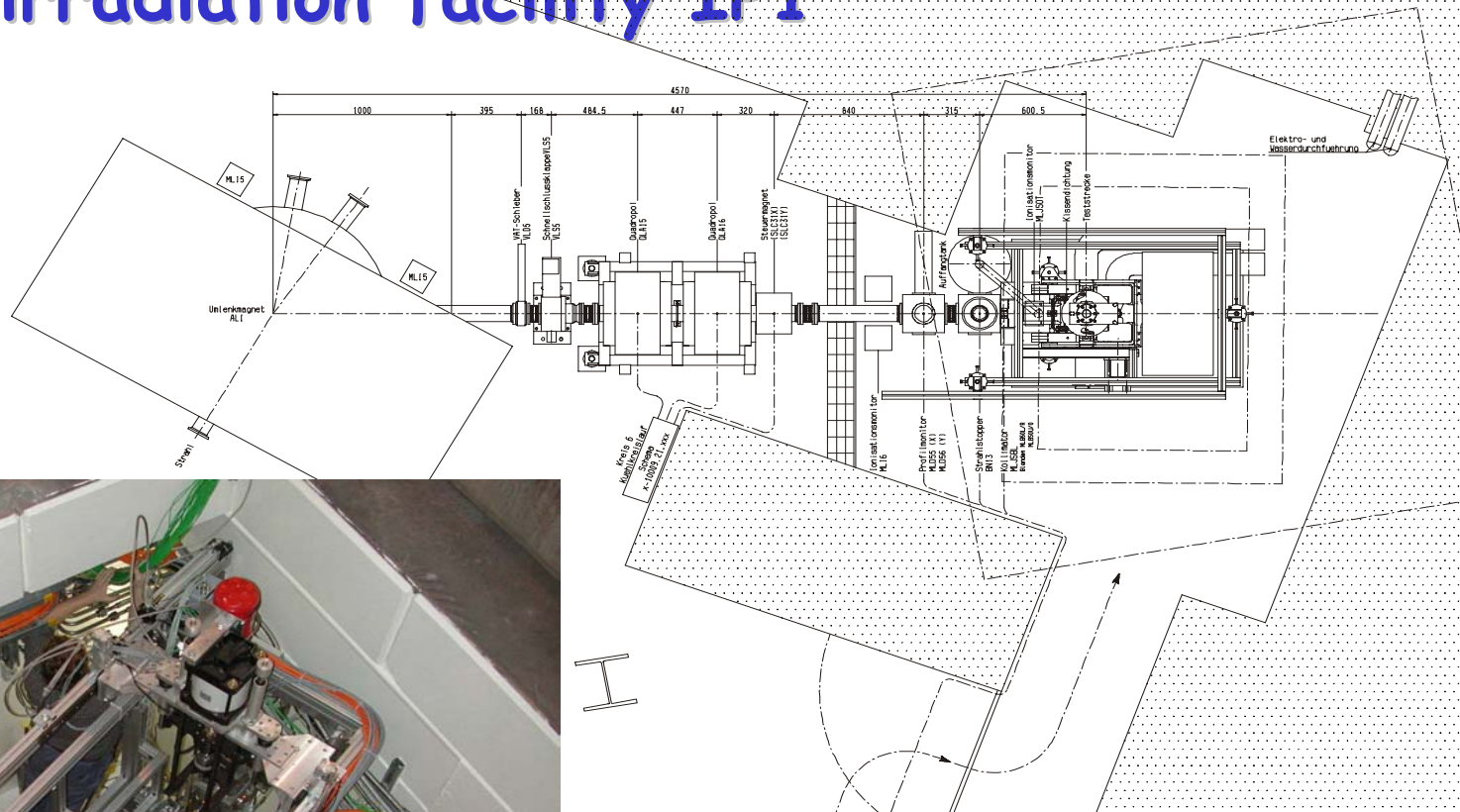


Henry, Jung: IWSTM-5, 2002

Radiation Effect on Impact Toughness

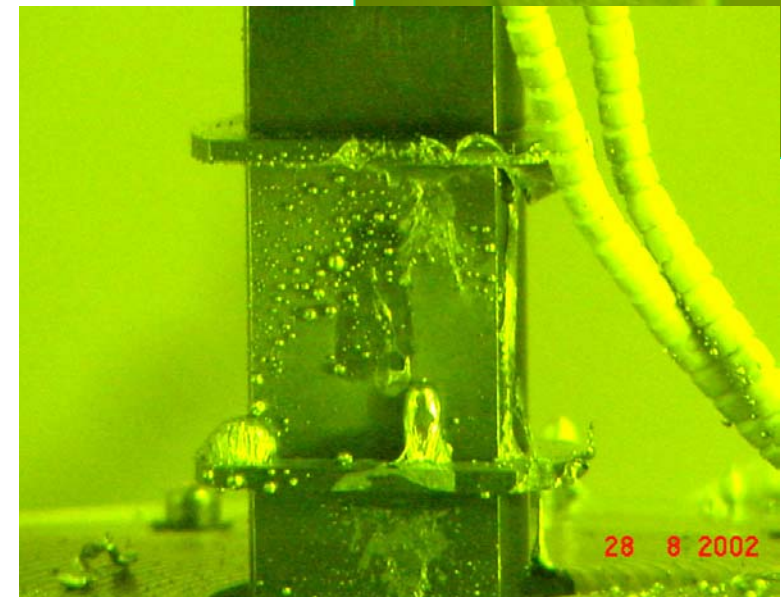
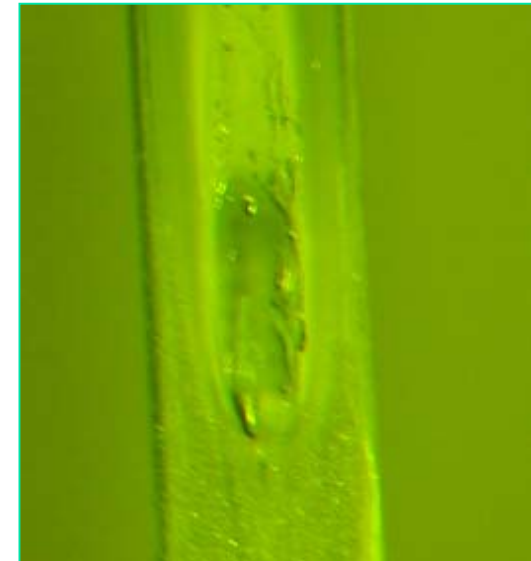
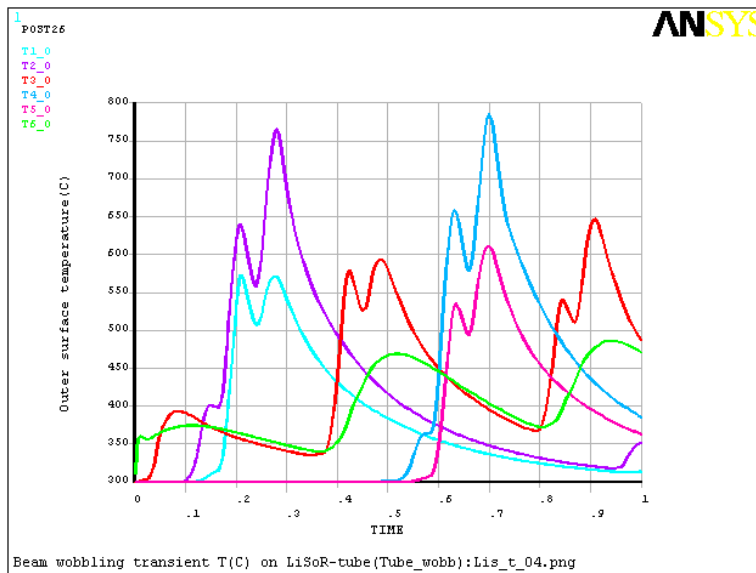
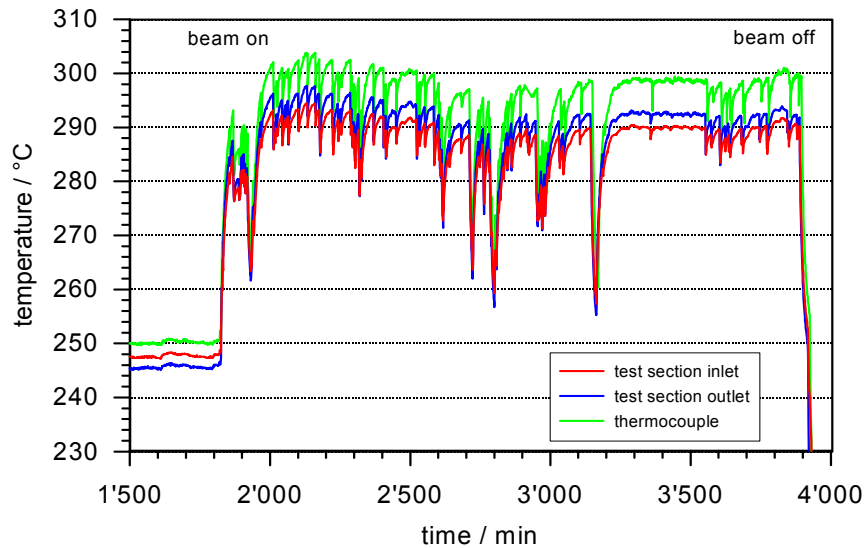


LiSoR in irradiation facility IP1



Beam energy-72MeV
 Max current-30 μ A
 Max proton flux- 2×10^{14} p/cm²/s
 Beam time per test up to 10days
 Radiation damage- ~ 0.25

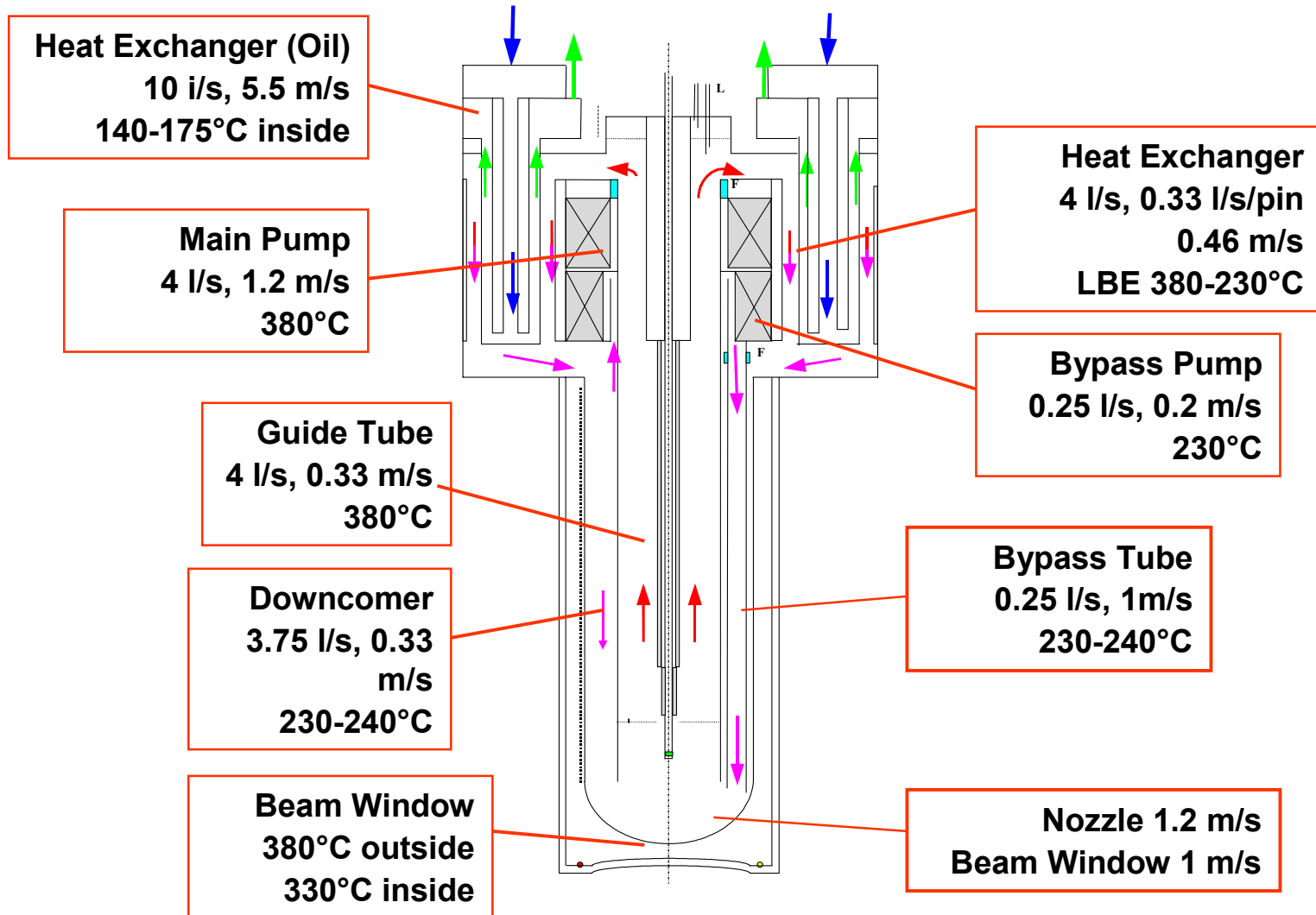
LISOR - 1st Experiment



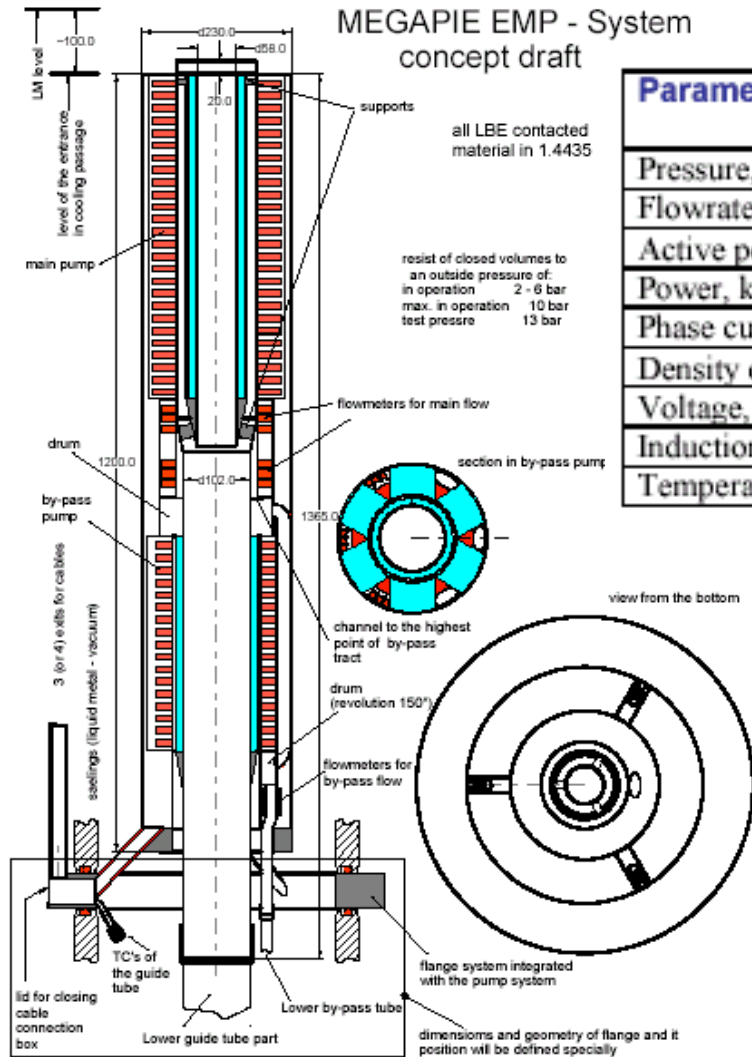
Heat Removal

- Forced flow by in-line electromagnetic pump (4 l/s)
- Bypass-flow by in-line EMP (0.25-0.35 l/s)
- 12 pin heat exchanger
- Diphyl THT intermediate cooling loop
 - 3-way valve and HEX bypass to control LBE THX outlet temperature
- Intermediate water cooling loop

LBE Flow Rates and Temperatures



EM Pump - System

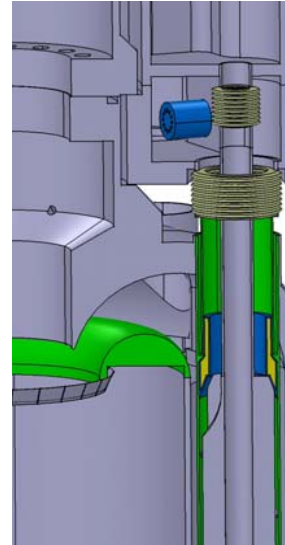
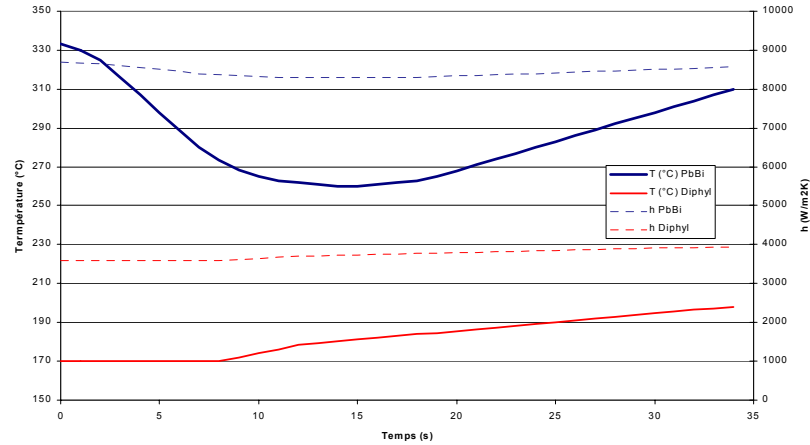
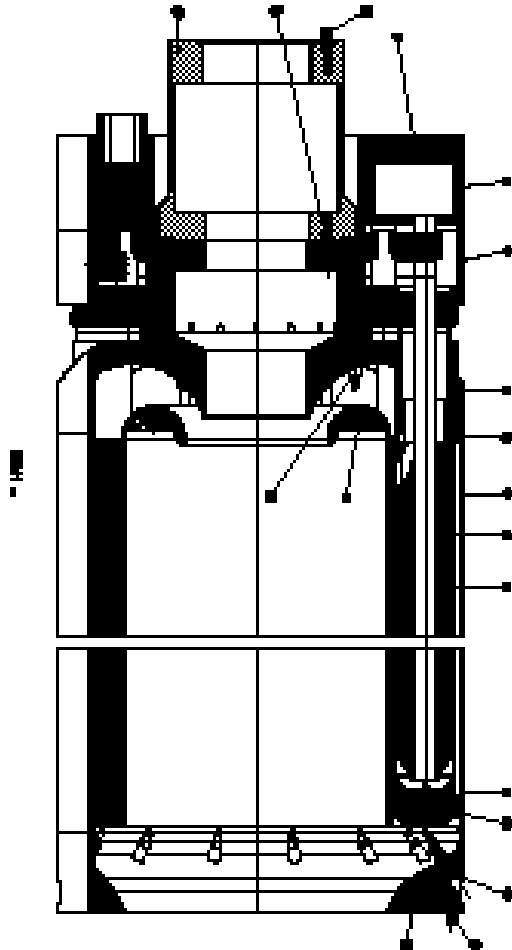


Parameters	Main pump	Bypass pump
Pressure, atm	0.2	0.5
Flowrate, L/s	5.0	0.35
Active power, kW	8.2	6.8
Power, kVA	9.8	8.14
Phase current, A	30.3	30.1
Density of current, A/mm ²	6.0	6.0
Voltage, V	108	90
Induction in passive magnetic core, T	1.2	1.14
Temperature, °C	480	320

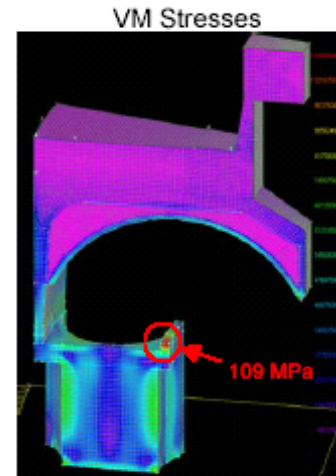
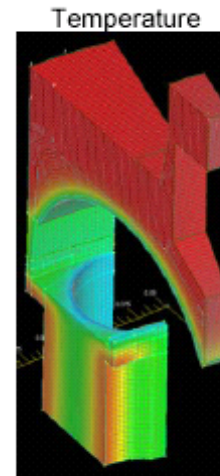


Target Heat Exchanger

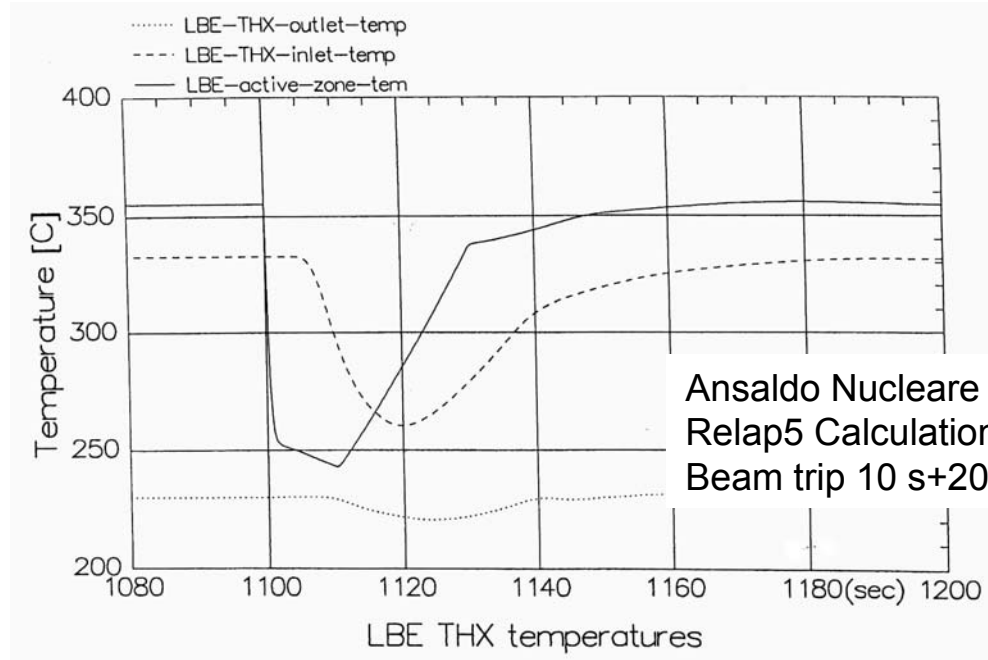
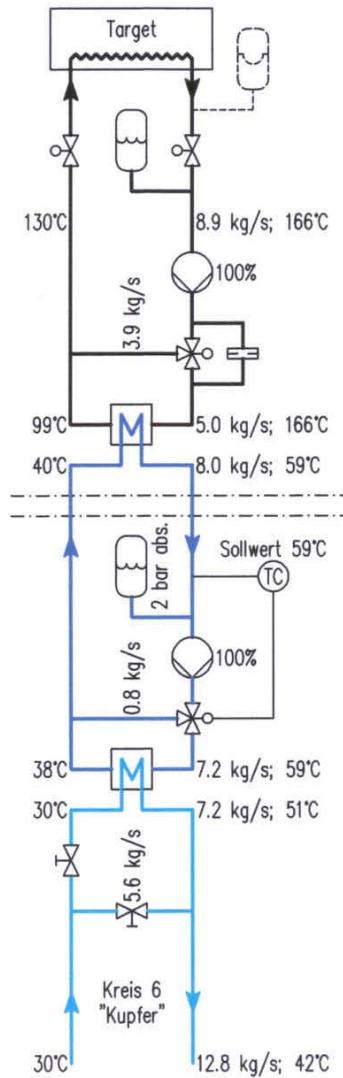
- ❖ Heat Removal
- ❖ Thermal Transients



Stresses remain below 110 MPa limit according to RCC-MR



Heat Removal System



	LBE THX	THT IHX	H2O IHX
Inlet	330 C	165 C	40 C
Outlet	230 C	130 C	59 C
Flow Rate	9.28 kg/s	THT Velocity	3.5 m/s
Pump Head	12 m	THT P drop	626 kPa

Handling of Spallation Products

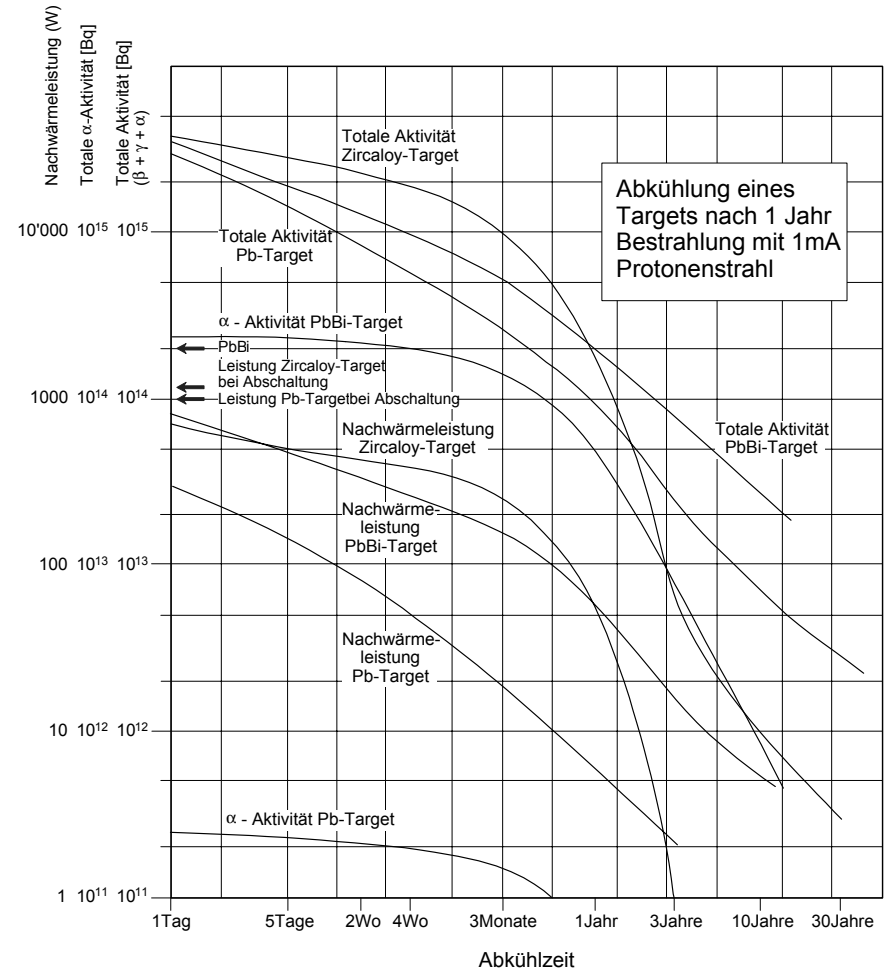
- Safe enclosure
- Drain or freeze ?
- Behaviour of Po
- Release of Volatiles

Spallation Products

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Po	1.17	Cs	0.027	H	0.548
Tl	4.59	J	0.048	He	0.479
Hg	11.78	Te	0.137	Ar	0.001
Au	2.53	Sn	0.274	Kr	0.205
Pt	3.50	Cd	0.274	Xe	0.137
Ir	1.03	Zn	0.055		
Os	3.08				

Production (g) in a LBE target
after 1 yea, 6000 mAh



Handling of Gases

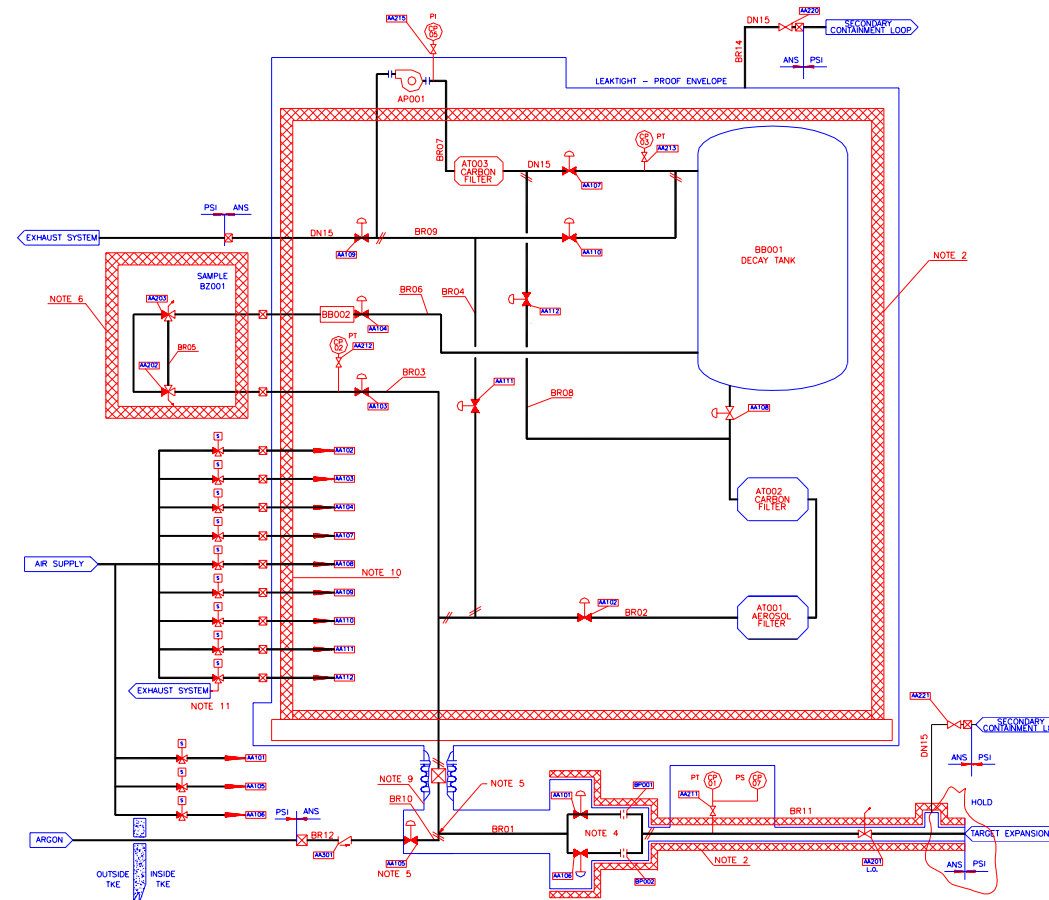
- Safe enclosure
- Periodic venting in decay tank (shielding)
- Filters for volatiles (active carbon + HEPA particle filters)
- Gas sampling

Gas Production and Handling

Production (Liter NTP)
After 1 year and 6000 mAh

H	6.0
He	0.24 .. 2.6
Ar	0.0026
Kr	0.06
Xe	0.024
Total	6.3 ... 8.7

Enderle: Neutronic Benchmark



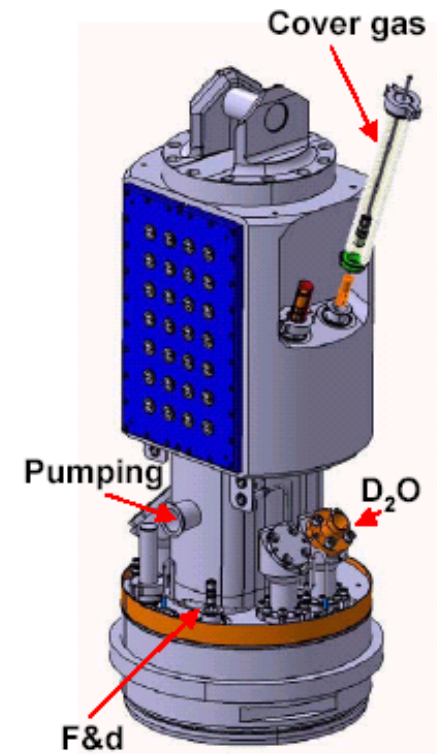
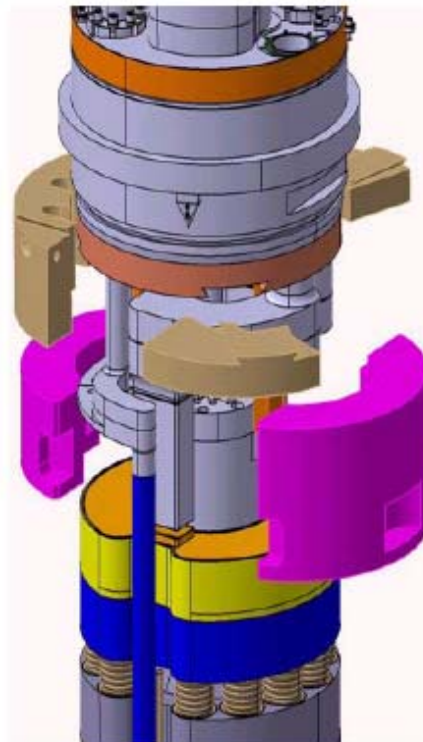
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Target Head and Top Shielding

Target Support

Feedthrough for Supplies and Instrumentation

Shielding



Barrier Concept - Containment of Radioactivity

Internal effects

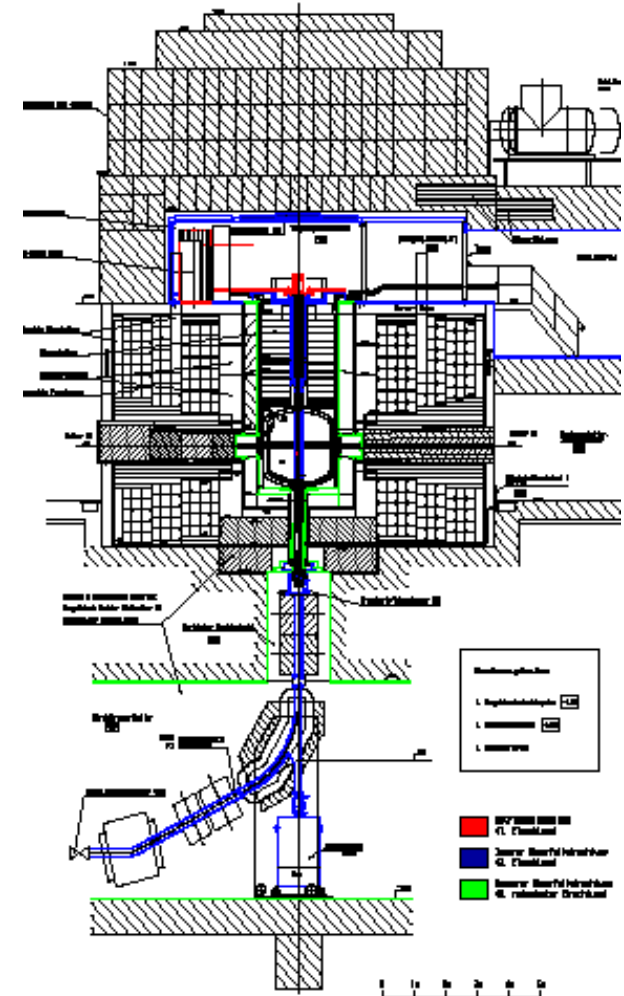
- Leak/Break of Liquid Metal Container
 - Guillotine break of LMC
 - Leak or Jet of LBE
 - Water/Oil Leak
- Leak in Gas System

3 barriers for gas systems

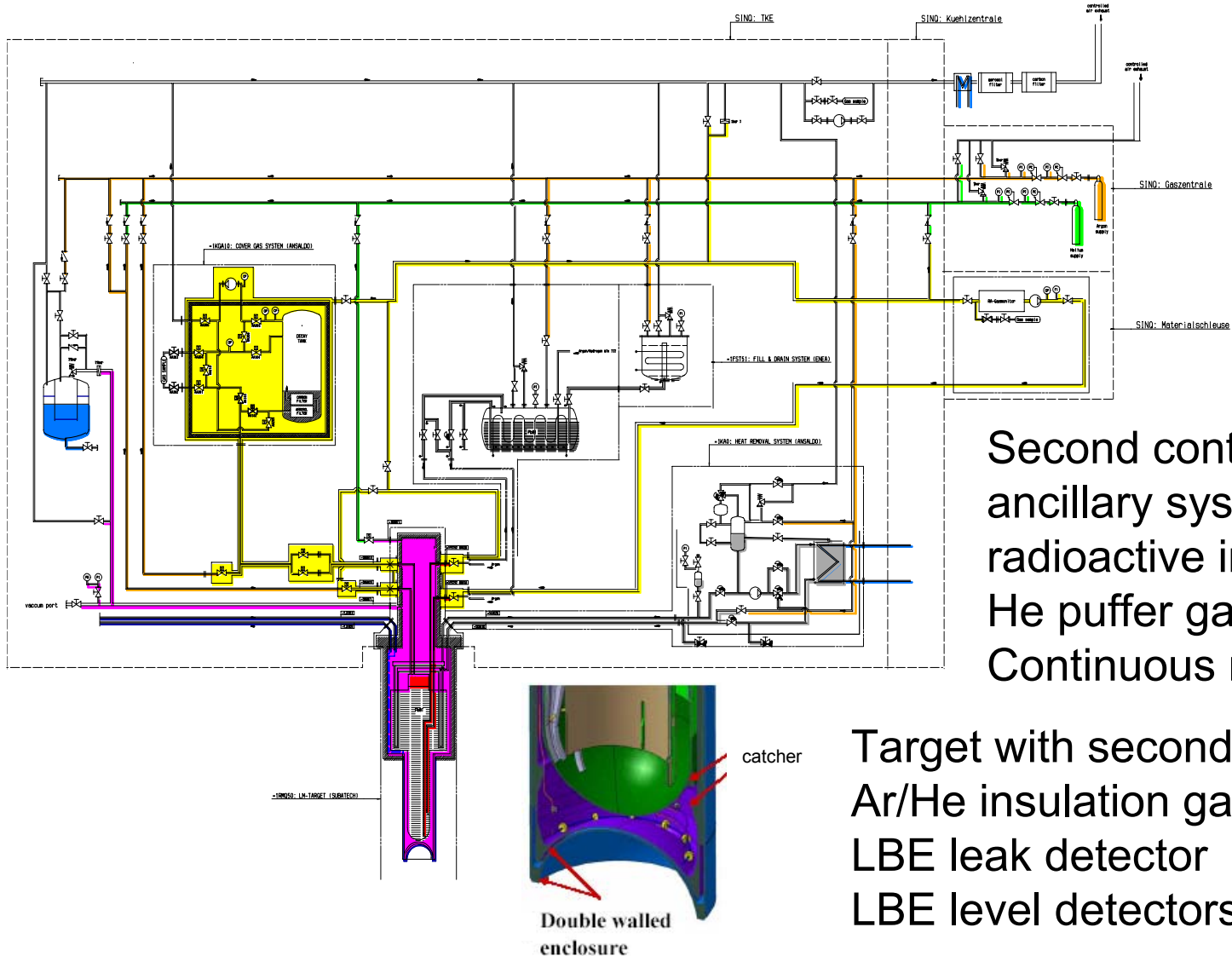
External effects

- Focused Beam
- Earthquake
- Airplane Crash
- Fire

4 barriers for liquid metal



Failure of 1st Containment



Second containment for ancillary systems with radioactive inventory
 He puffer gas < 0.9 bar
 Continuous monitoring

Target with second enclosure
 Ar/He insulation gas < 0.5 bar
 LBE leak detector
 LBE level detectors

Summary and Conclusions

- Design of main components completed
- Optimisation and validation ongoing
- Licensing Process ongoing
- Target manufacturing started
- Input from Design Support on
 - Thermohydraulics/Thermomechanics of transients
 - LM - Speciation and volatility of spallation products
 - Materials – Corrosion, LME and radiation damage
 - Reliability assessment
- Target on the Critical Path
 - Delivery in June 2004
 - Intensive testing in 2004
 - Irradiation in 2005