



IFMIF/EVEDA PROJECT: Achievements and Outlooks beyond 2020



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Accelerator Facility

Target Facility

Test Facility

IFMIF/EVEDA Project

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1 Introduction

Broader Approach

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November 2006

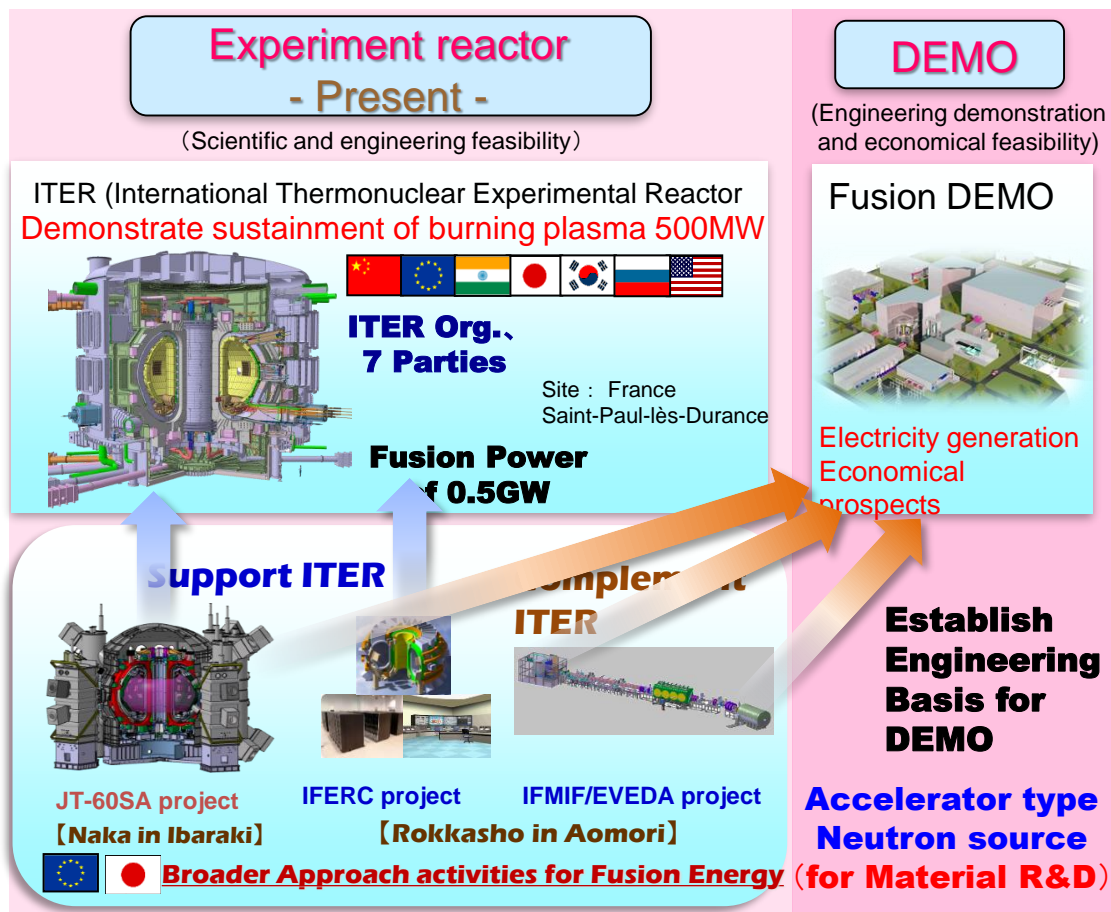
BA Signed in February 2007

Entered into force on June
2007

**JA-EU
Collaboration**



In Japan





IFMIF

International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility

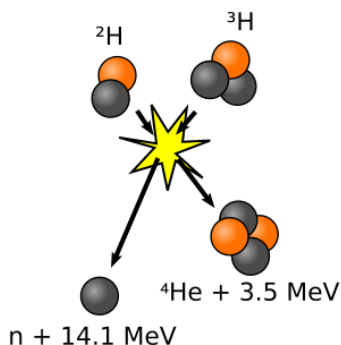
EVEDA

Engineering Validation & Engineering Design Activities

Article 1.1 of Annex A of the **BA Agreement**
mandates **IFMIF/EVEDA**

...to produce **an integrated engineering design of IFMIF** and the data necessary for future decisions on the construction, operation, exploitation and decommissioning of IFMIF, and **to validate continuous and stable operation of each IFMIF subsystem**

The first wall of the fusion reactor vessel
will see 14.1 MeV neutrons
Due of DT reactions



ITER first wall will face
< 3 dpa at the end of its operation life

DEMO reactor is expected to see
>15 dpa per year of operation (20 years ~6 fpy)

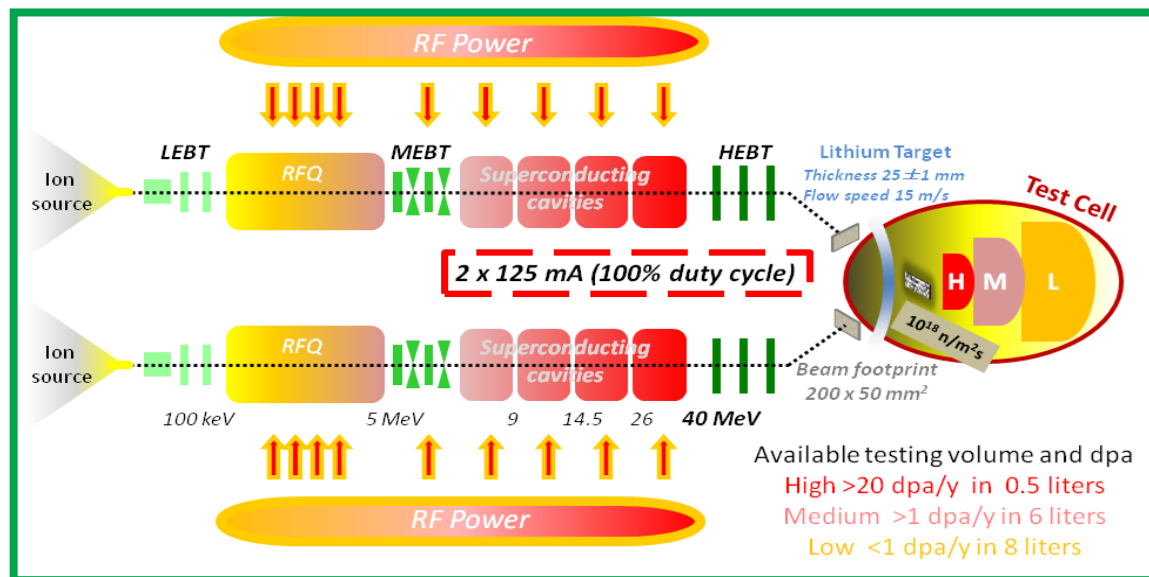
It is also expected transmutation (He and H) reactions
which will change the properties of the materials
(structural and functional integrity)

- Selection and qualification of candidate materials for fusion reactors
- Generation of engineering data for design, licensing and safe operation of DEMO up to end-of-life
- Completion, calibration and validation of material databases (mainly generated from fission reactors research)
- Material testing and simulation carried out simultaneously to correlated fundamental understanding of radiation response of materials

International Advisory Panels pointed out Fusion Neutron Source as essential need toward Fusion Power Plant → best fulfilled with a D-Li stripping source → IFMIF concept

Two concurrent deuterons beam of
125 mA CW at 40 MeV
Impact on a liquid Li screen
flowing at 15 m/s

Generating a footprint of $200 \times 50 \text{ mm}^2$



A flux of neutrons of $\sim 10^{18} \text{ n/m}^2\text{s}$ is generated in the forward direction with a broad peak at 14 MeV and irradiate three regions:

- >20 dpa/fpy in 0.5 liters (H)
- >1 dpa/fpy in 6 liters (M)
- <1 dpa/fpy in 8 liters (L)

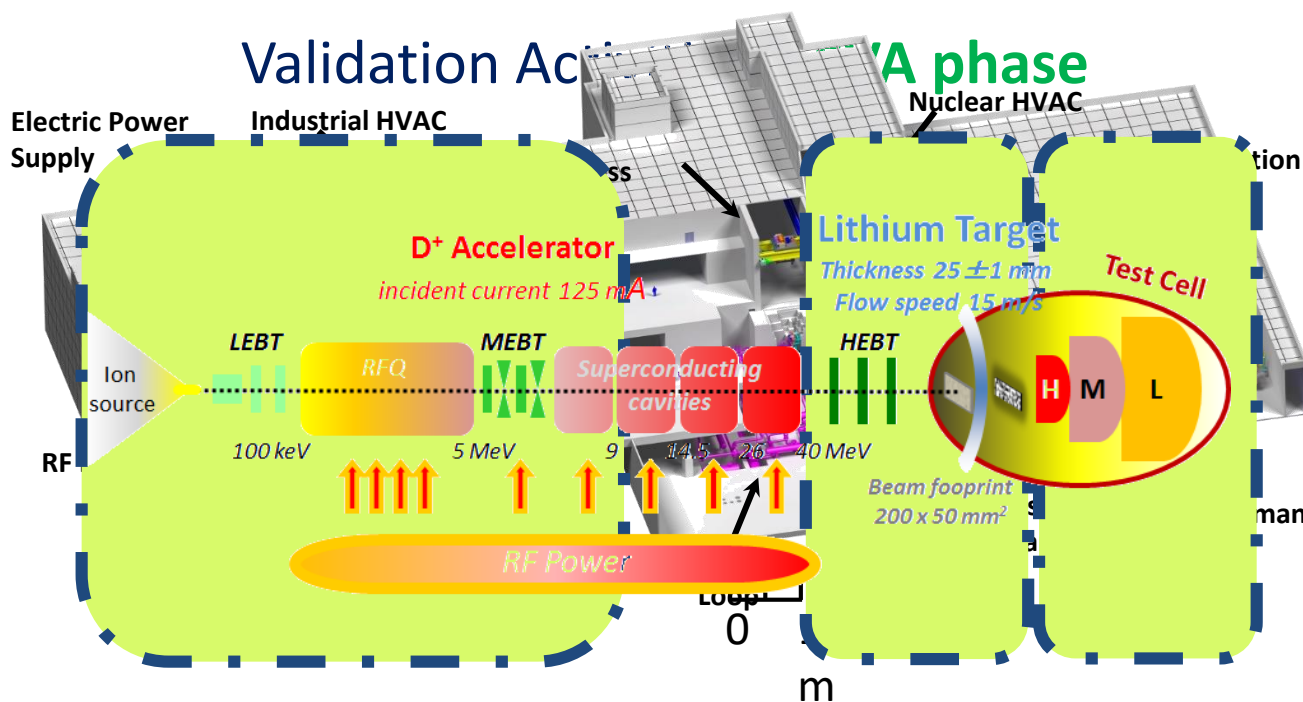
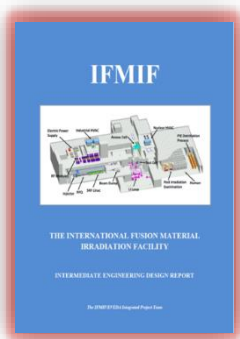
→ Availability of facility >70%

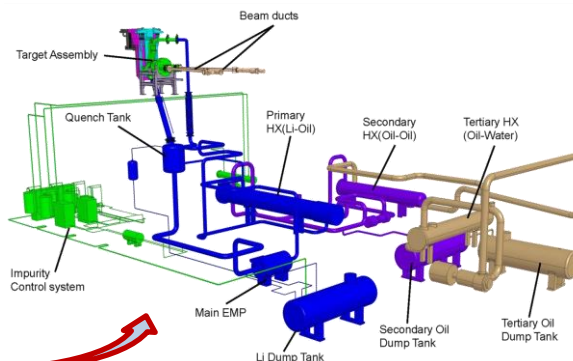
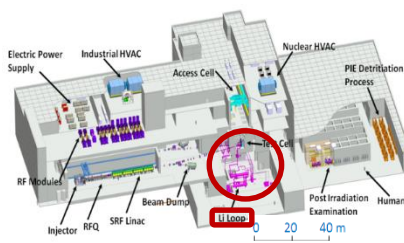


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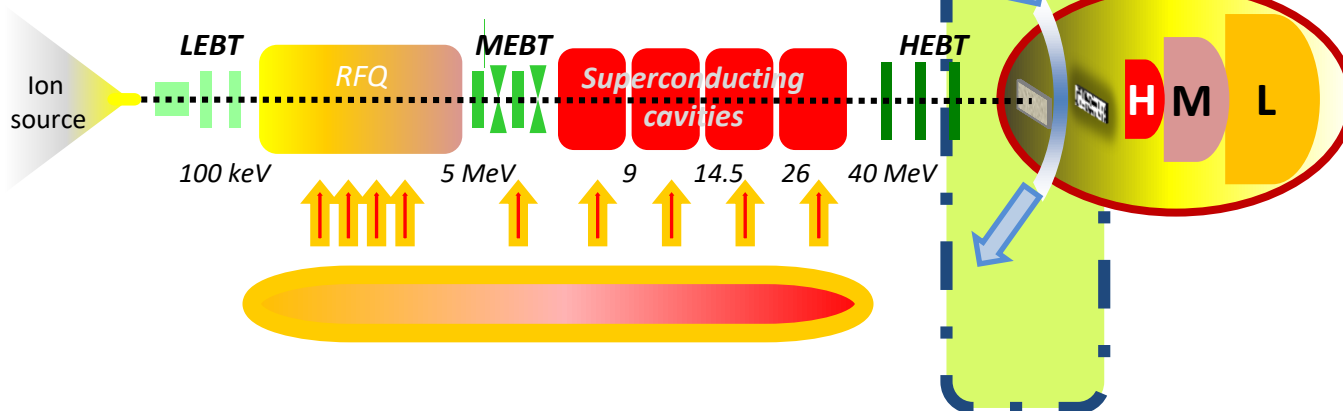
IFMIF/EVEDA Status

Engineering Design Activities – EDA phase Successfully delivered on schedule





D⁺ Accelerator incident current 125 mA

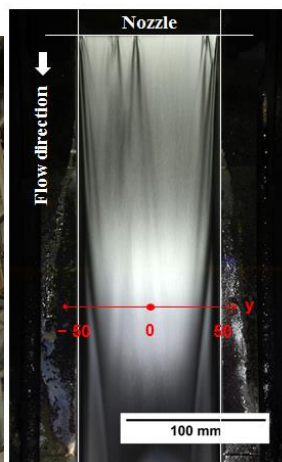
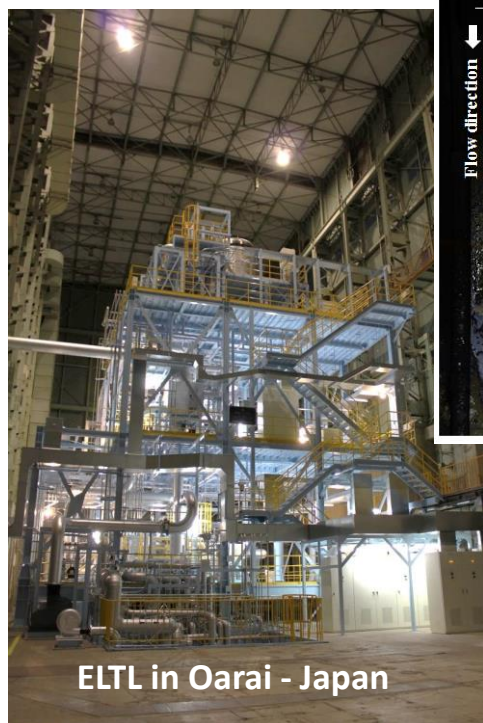


*Lithium jet at 250 C
Flow speed 15 m/s
Thickness 25 ± 1 mm*

Milestones

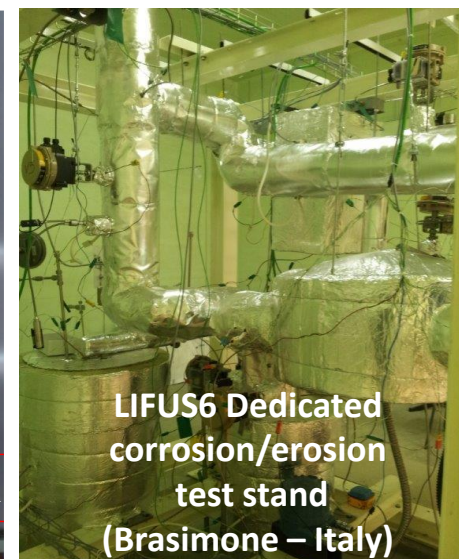
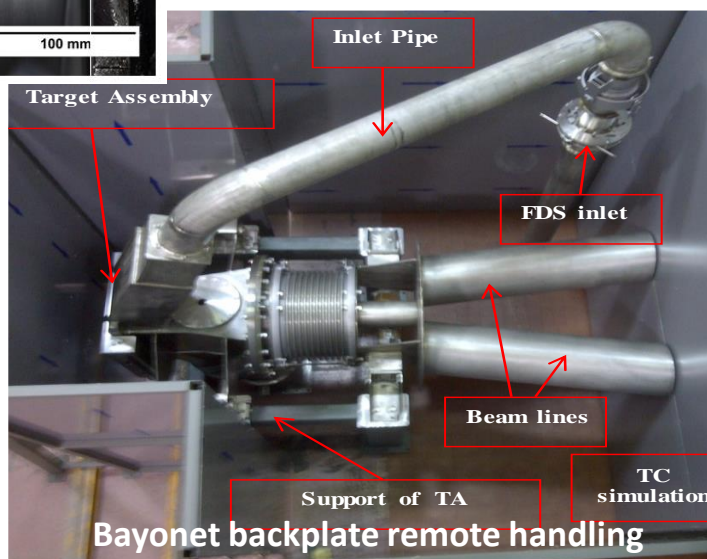
Construction completed on 19 Nov. 2010

Test completed on 31 March 2015

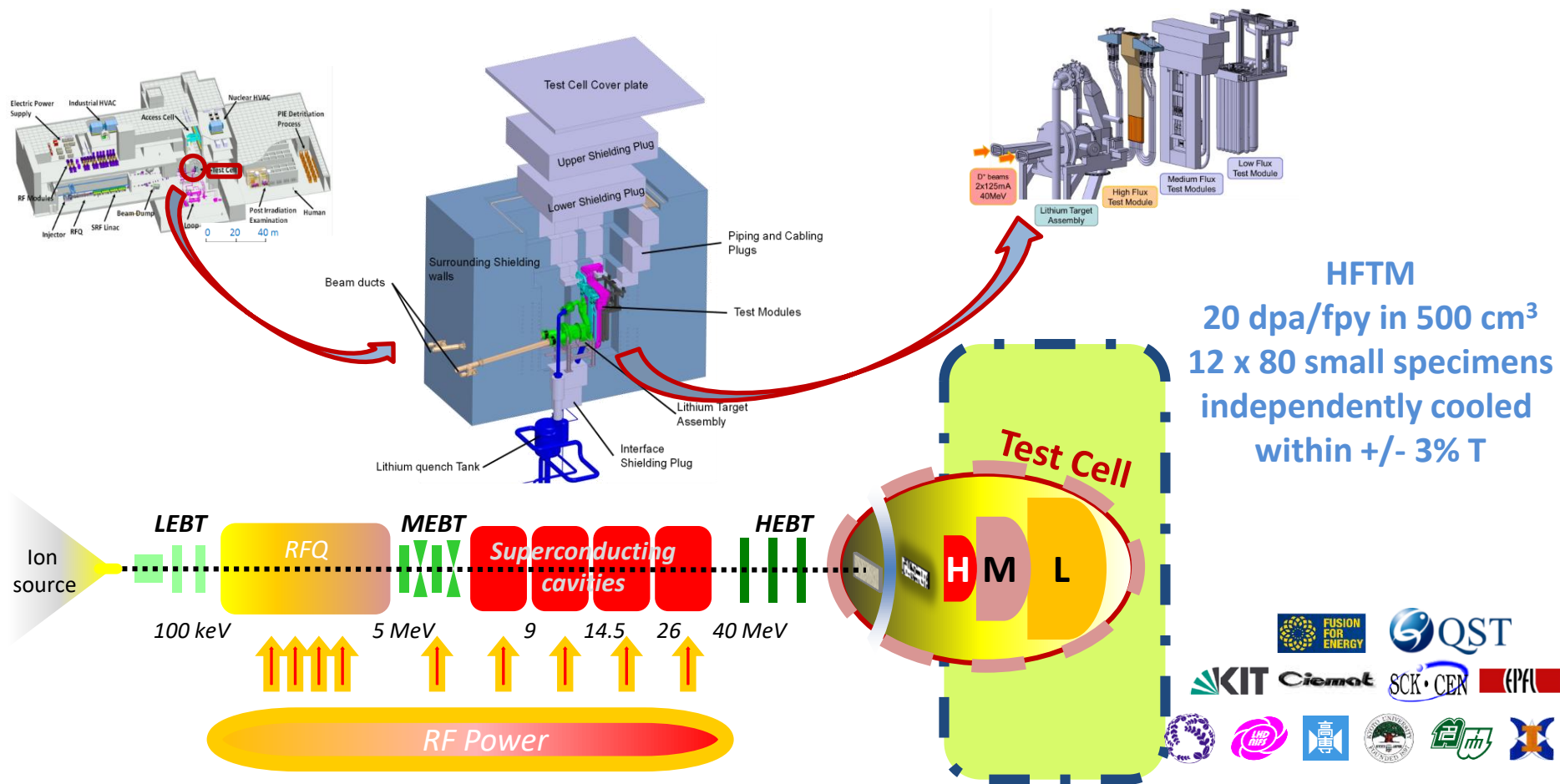


Results: No change in Li target thickness and stable Li target throughout the continuous operation for 571 h (~24 days).

System Integration was successfully demonstrated
March 2015



Engineering Validation Activities completed on Feb. 2017



6 reference specimens have been developed

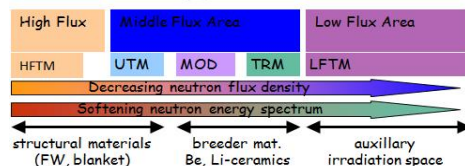
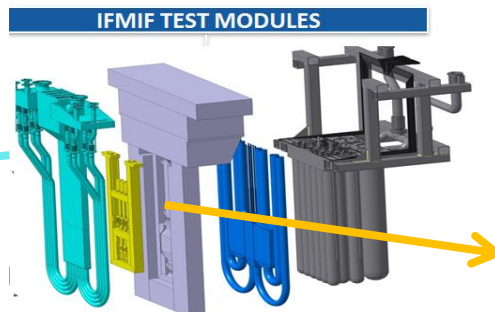
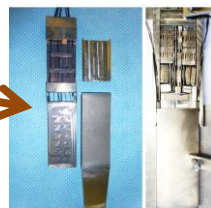
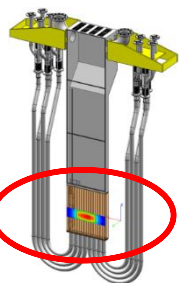
Specimen type	Geometry
Tensile	
Fatigue	
Bend/Charpy DFT	
Creep	
Crack growth	
Fracture toughness	

Fatigue A

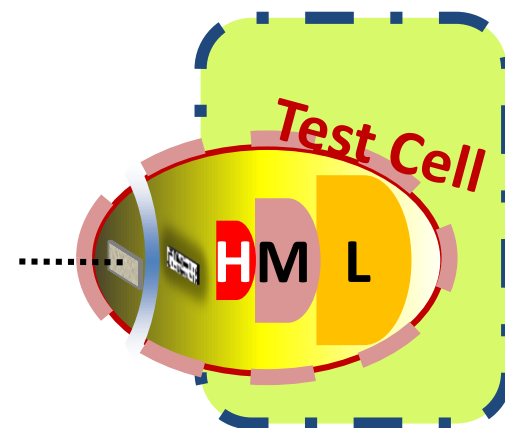
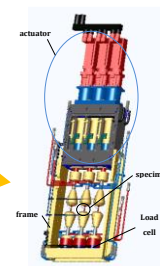
Bundle-2 Bundle-1
Alloy A Alloy B

Fatigue B

Successfully tested using the Belgian material test reactor BR2 in Mol



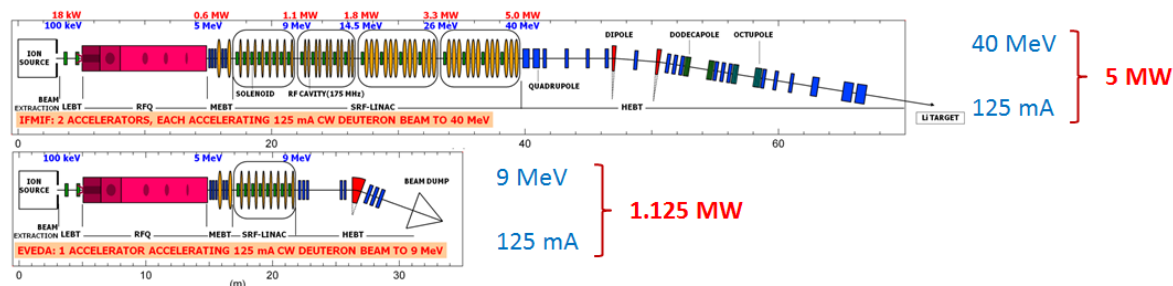
HFTM-DC
in Karlsruhe



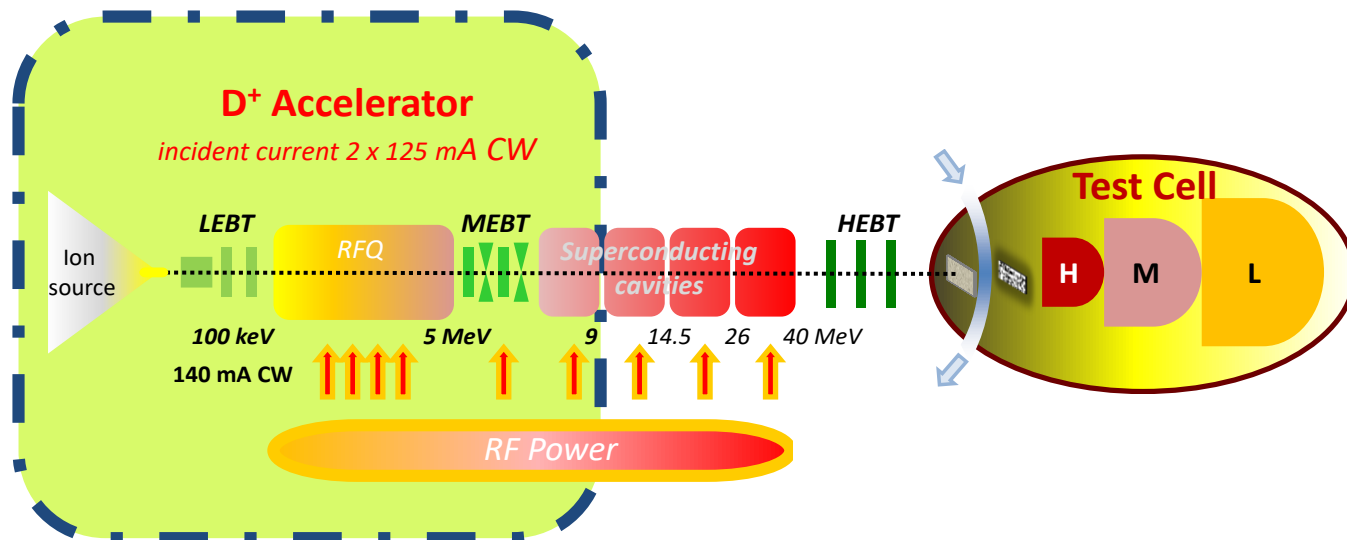
Validation Activities completed on Apr. 2015

IFMIF

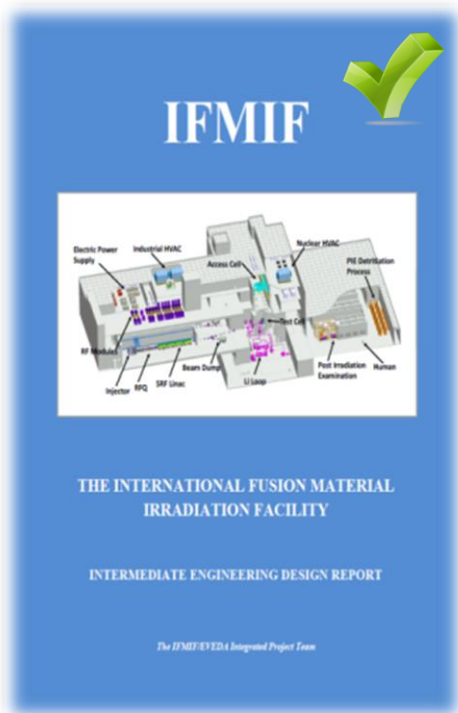
LIPAc



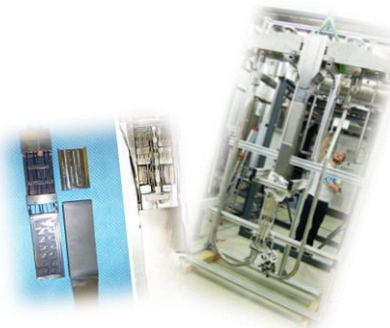
Small but challenging



EDA phase:



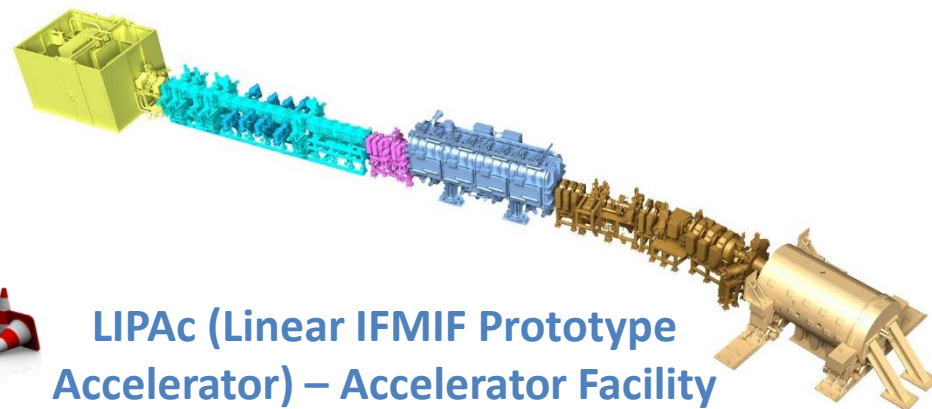
EVA phase:



Test Facility



Target Facility



LIPAc (Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator) – Accelerator Facility
9MeV, 125mA CW, 1.125 MW

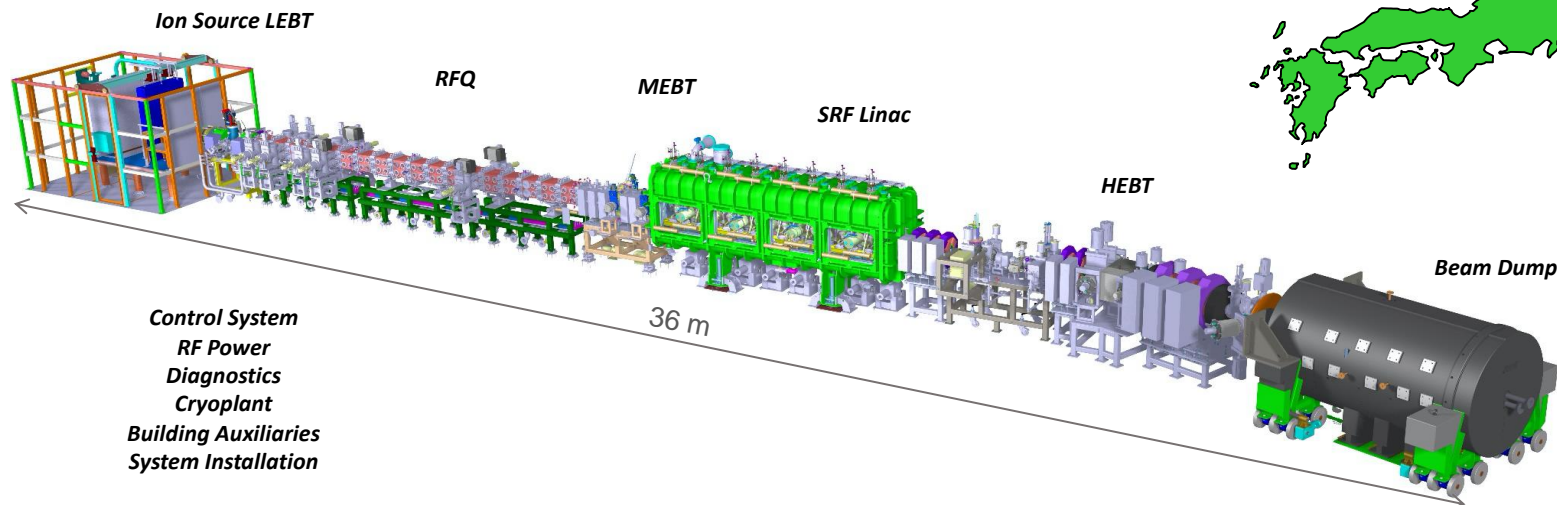


3 LIPAc: Accelerator Facility

Japan-Europe scientific collaboration



Rokkasho



Equipment designed and constructed in **Europe**, Installed and commissioned in **Rokkasho**

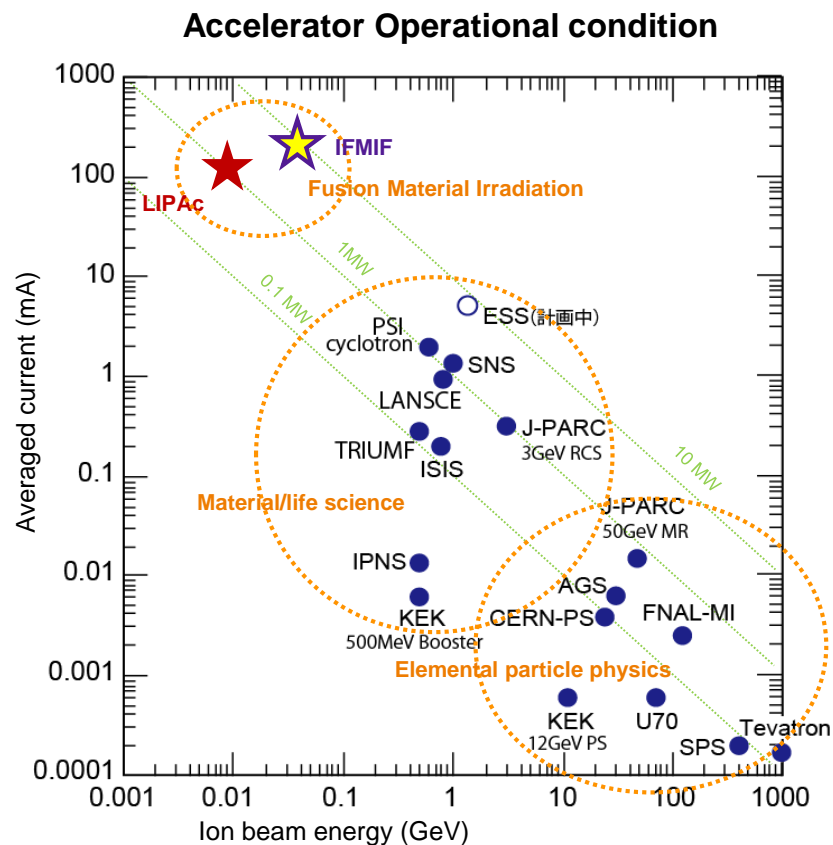
World's highest current linac in H^+
and D^+ in CW

World's top H^+ & D^+ injector
performance

World's longest RFQ

World's record of light hadrons
current through SC cavities

World's highest beam perveance



Project Coordinated by
IFMIF/EVEDA Project Leader
 In liaison with 2 Home Teams



Organization evolved since 2007....

LIPAc Organization Since 2018:

- Beam Operation,
- Maintenance,
- Installation & Commissioning...

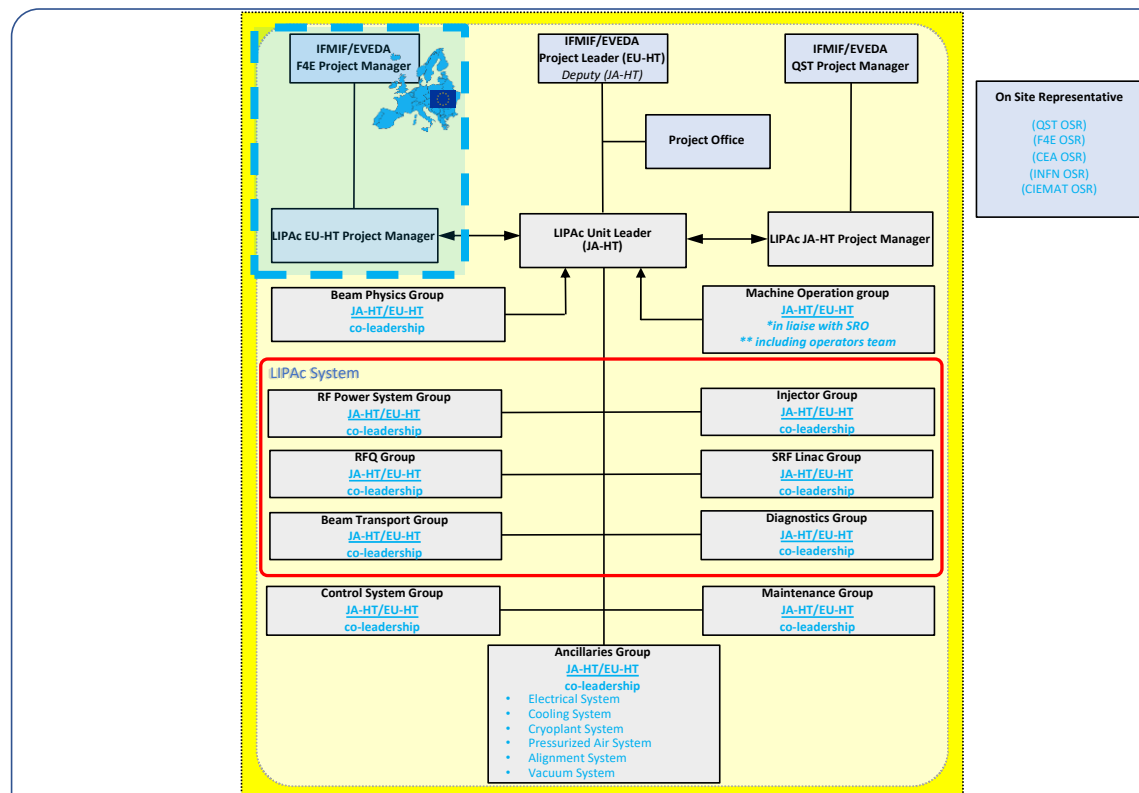
**System Installation, Checkout, Start-up,
 Commissioning**

LIPAc Unit in Rokkasho

~50 people



LIPAc Operation Team



IFMIF/EVEDA CQMS-0920 (DMS Ref. BA_D_27MTRU)



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LIPAc: Commissioning Status

4 configurations considered for 5 commissioning phases to validate the LIPAc performances

1st configuration – Commissioning Phase A

Phase A
100 keV - 125 mA
12.5 kW



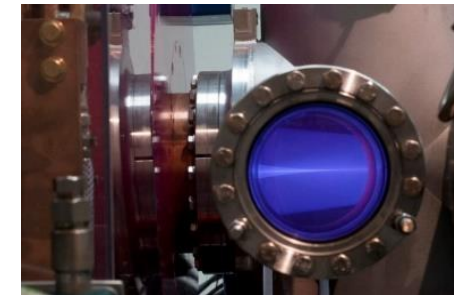
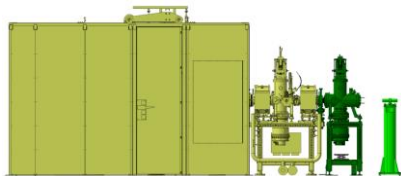
Injector

CW

Diagnostic Box + Beamstop

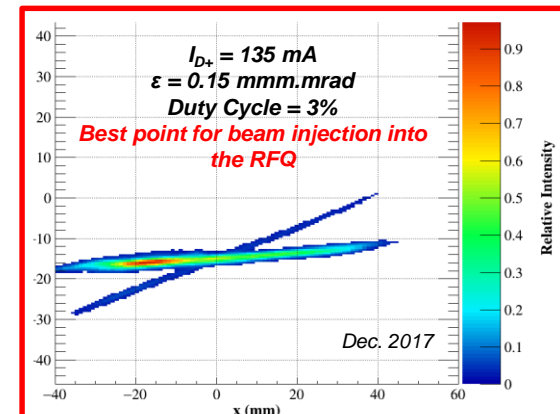
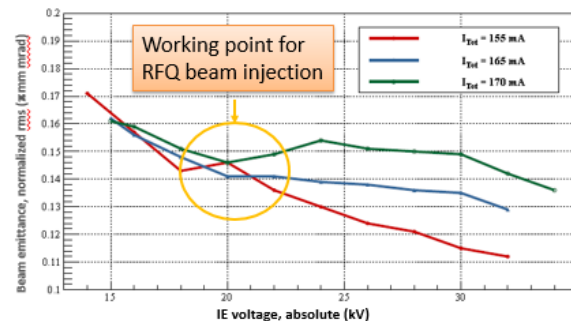
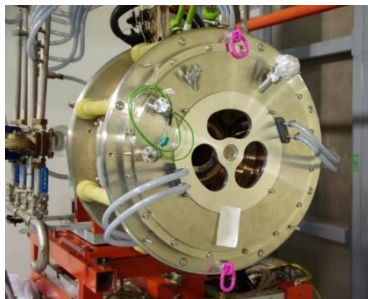
(Apr.2015 - Aug.2017)

COMPLETED



LIPAc injector requirements

- D⁺ beam.
- Energy: **100 keV**.
- Intensity: **140 mA**.
- Final emittance: $\leq 0.3 \pi$ mm.mrad
(target value: $\leq 0.25 \pi$ mm.mrad).
- Twiss parameters at the RFQ entrance: less than 10% mismatch



2nd configuration – Commissioning Phase B



COMPLETED

Injector

CW

Diagnostic Box + Beamstop

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Injector

RFQ + MEBT

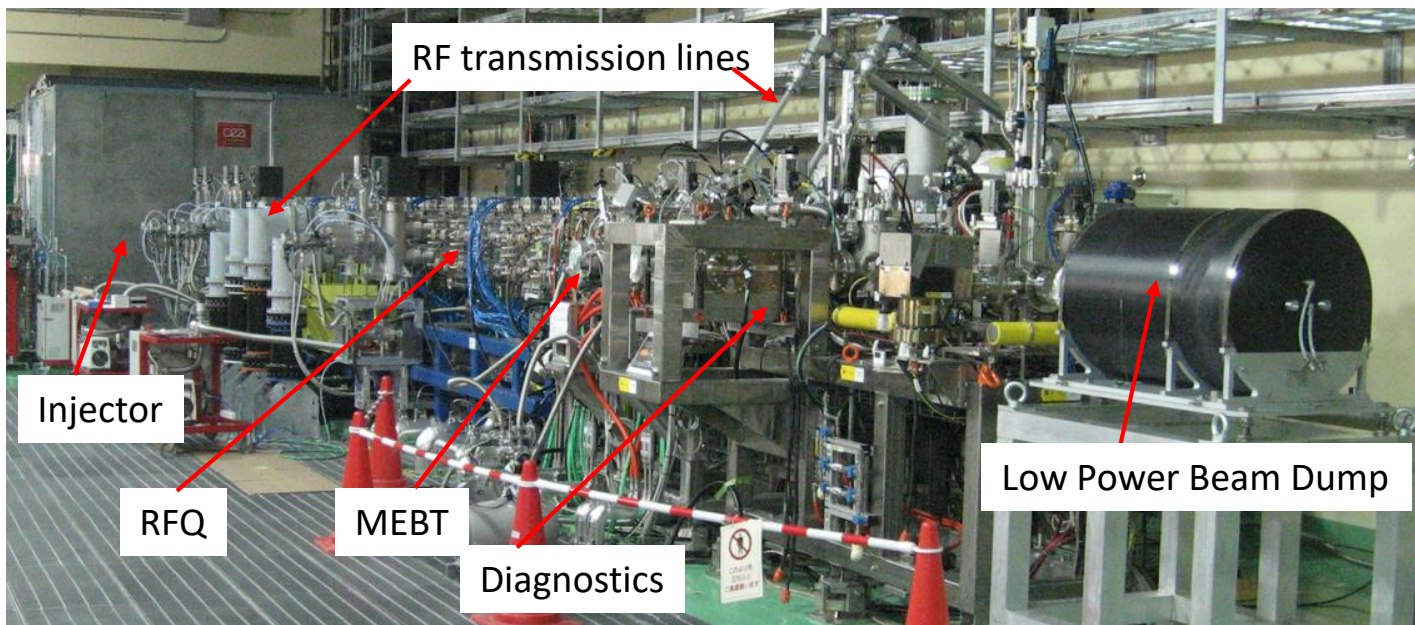
D-Plate+BD

0.1-1ms

(June 2018 – August 2019)

Diag.-Plate + Low Power Beam Dump

Phase B installation was completed in October 2017.



*Operation Mode
2 shifts
Beam Operation
&
RFQ Conditioning*



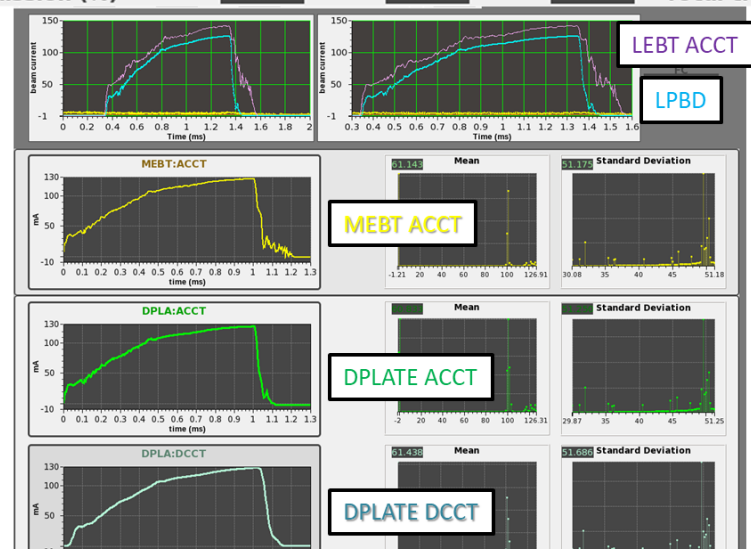
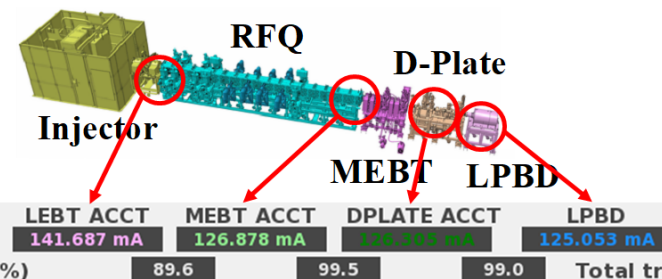
Achieved in LIPAc research activity

- RF operation at full RF level (**132 kV ~ 1 ms, 1 Hz**)
- Beam acceleration with nominal space charge with pulsed:
 - Proton beam (**2.5 MeV, 60mA**)
 - Deuteron beam acceleration (**5 MeV, 125 mA**)

Celebration of the end of 5 MeV, 125 mA, D+ beam acceleration on 9th Aug 2019



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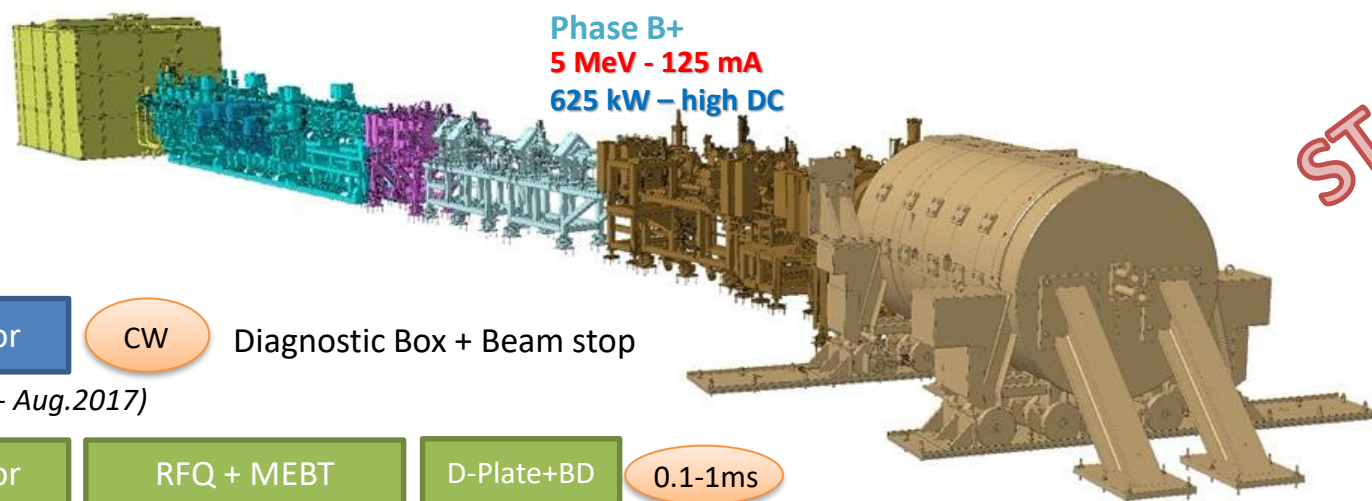


> 90% Beam transmission through the RFQ

Significant project milestone reached
(125 mA, @ 5 MeV, 1 ms pulse)

We demonstrate that all the components needed to run the LIPAc accelerator in the phase B configuration work as expected.

3rd configuration – Commissioning Phase B+



STARTED

Injector

CW

Diagnostic Box + Beam stop

(Apr.2015 - Aug.2017)

Injector

RFQ + MEFT

D-Plate+BD

0.1-1ms

(June 2018 – August 2019)

Diag.-Plate + Low Power Beam Dump

Injector

RFQ + MEFT

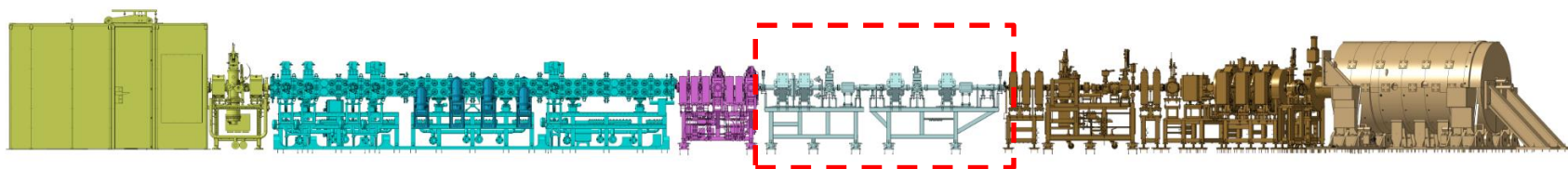
Drift line + HEFT/D-Plate

1ms-CW

Final Beam Dump

Phase B+: LIPAc in temporary configuration

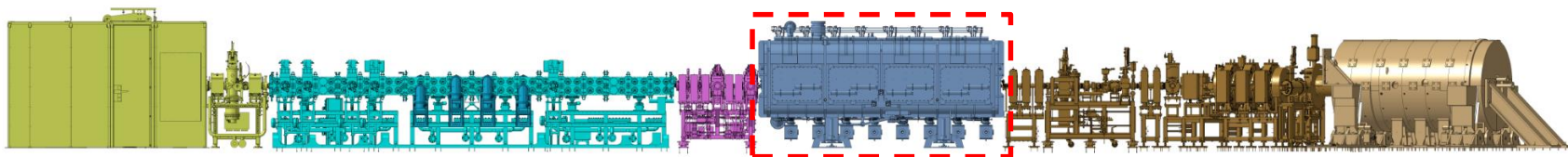
5 MeV - 125 mA
625 kW – high DC



Drift line

Phase C/D: LIPAc in its final configuration

9 MeV - 125 mA
1.125 MW – low and high DC



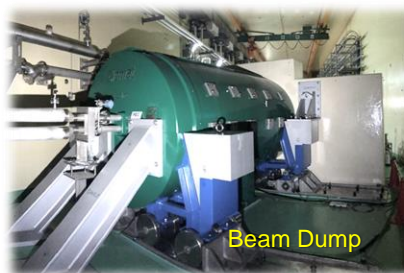
SRF Linac



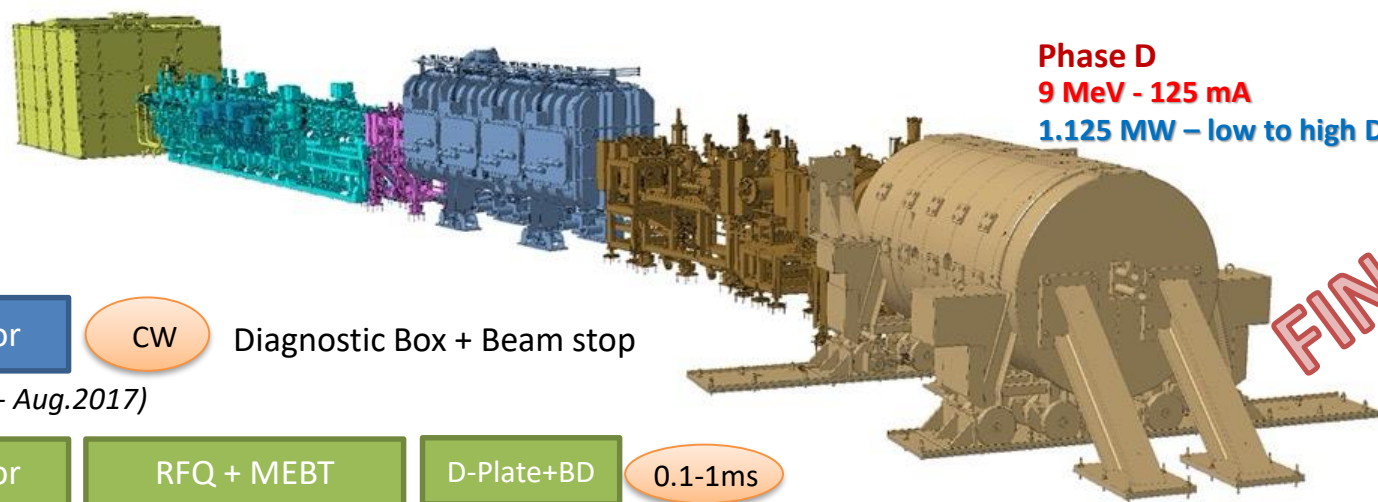
Check-out tests and individual commissioning of the
HEBT/BD on going
(Performed remotely)

Injector and RF injection started

Start Beam Operation by the end of second trimester



4th configuration – Commissioning Phase C/D



Phase C (installation SRF Linac)

9 MeV - 125 mA

1.125 MW – low DC

Phase D

9 MeV - 125 mA

1.125 MW – low to high DC

FINAL STAGE

Injector

CW

Diagnostic Box + Beam stop

(Apr.2015 - Aug.2017)

Injector

RFQ + MEFT

D-Plate+BD

0.1-1ms

(June 2018 – August 2019)

Diag.-Plate + Low Power Beam Dump

Injector

RFQ + MEFT

Drift line + HEBT/D-Plate

1ms-CW

Final Beam Dump

Injector

RFQ + MEFT

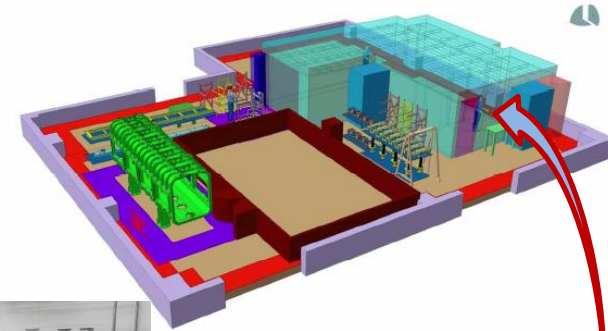
SRFL + HEBT/D-Plate

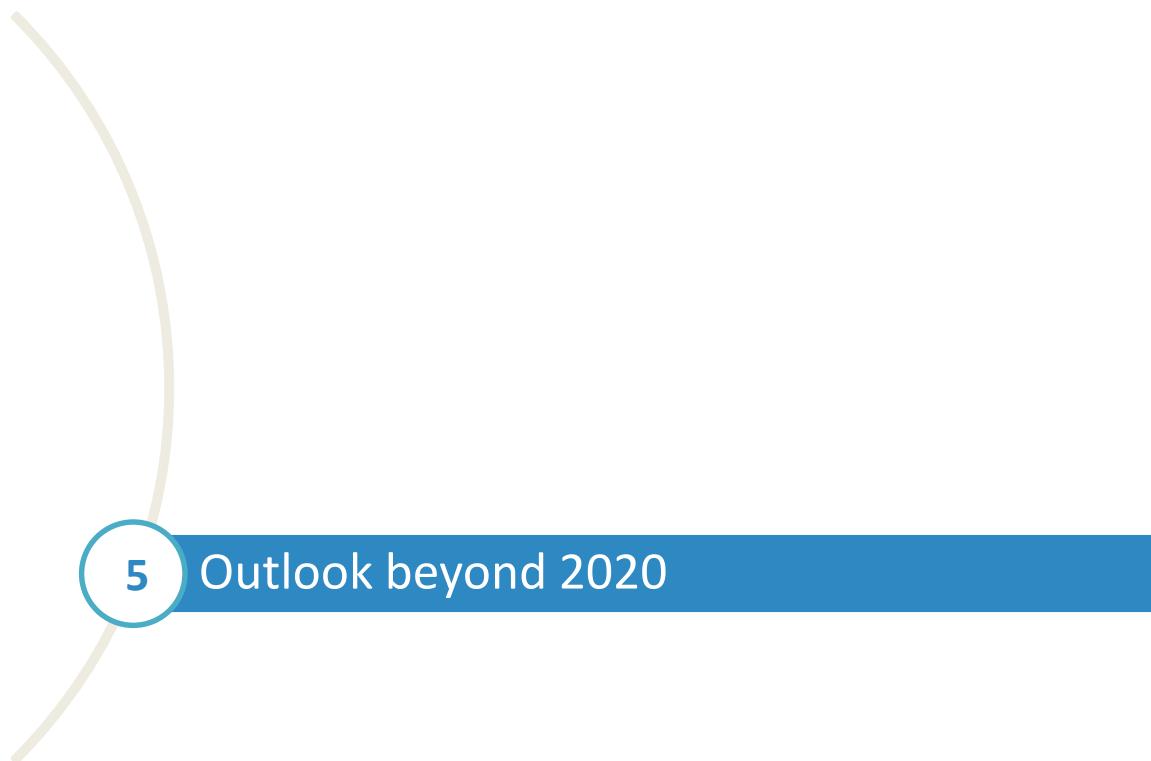
1 ms-CW

Final Beam Dump

Components under assembly in Rokkasho

- ☑ A clean room has been built in Rokkasho under the responsibility of QST in the DEMO Joint Research Building
- ☑ F4E is responsible of the assembly, CEA provide support
- ☐ Almost all components delivered on site, assembly to start last semester 2021





In March 2020, Euratom and Japan signed a joint declaration reaffirming their collaboration via the Broader Approach agreement



For IFMIF/EVEDA this fruitful collaboration is continuing in pursuing the mandate assigned to IFMIF/EVEDA Project by:

- ✓ Complementing the engineering design of the IFMIF-like Fusion Neutron Source and complementing the Lithium Target Facility engineering validation,
- ✓ Continuing the commissioning of the LIPAc (Phase B+, C and D), by enhancing systems already validated during the first phases.

- ❑ **2020-2022:**
Phase B+ commissioning (125 mA D+, 5 MeV – High DC)
- ❑ **2021-2022:**
Assembly, integration and checkout tests of the cryomodule
- ❑ **2023-2024:**
Phase C/D Commissioning (125 mA D+, 9 MeV – CW)
- ❑ **2021-2025:**
LIPAc enhancement activities to improve both reliability and availability required for the fusion neutron source (e.g. A-FNS/DONES), but also to validate the operation requirements

The Fusion Neutron Source engineering design activities and the Lithium Target Facility engineering validation activities have restarted in 2020 aiming to provide an updated Fusion Neutron Source Engineering Design report.

The main activities will be dedicated to:

- ☐ **The enhancement of the design of the Lithium loop (e.g. tritium migration, erosion/deposition modelling, purification, accident analysis, optimization of the Li-Oil Heat Exchanger),**
- ☐ **The update of the Fusion Neutron Source Design focusing in the design activities for safety and accidental analyses.**

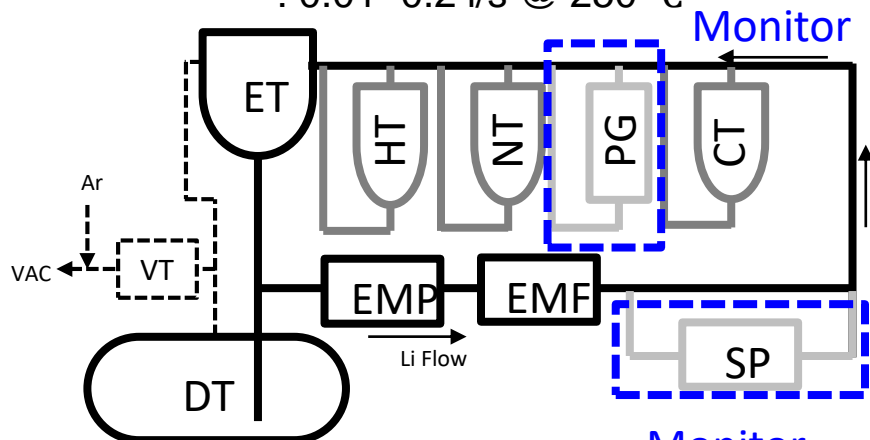
Li purification system validation activity

Concept of 1:10 pilot plant (JA)

Li inventory : 0.1 m³

Li flow rate : 0.005~0.1 kg/s

: 0.01~0.2 l/s @ 250 °C



DT: Dump tank

ET: Expansion tank

VT: Vapor trap

CT: Cold trap

EMP: Electro-magnetic pump

EMF: Electro-magnetic flow meter

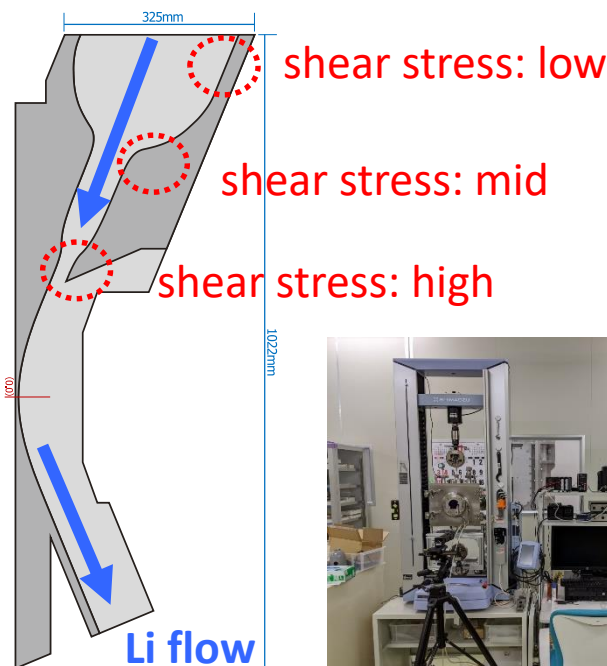
PG: Plugging gauge

NT: Nitrogen trap

HT: Hydrogen trap

SP: Li sampler

ELTL Target



Surface morphology analyses and tensile tests

Outline



6 Conclusions

- Since the project started in 2007, this international collaboration has continued to grow and has achieved important milestones,
- We have managed to create an excellent team spirit with the ‘in-kind’ suppliers, F4E and QST,
- The recent progress and achievements reflect the importance of the fruitful collaboration between Japan and Europe for the development of the future fusion neutron source by:
 - ❑ Completing the design activities for the future neutron sources,
 - ❑ Enhancing the systems to demonstrate the full reliability,
 - ❑ Maintaining the competences and already developed know-how that are essential for the future.



Thank you for your attention!



*Celebration of 5 MeV, 125 mA, D+ beam acceleration
9th Aug 2019*

