

Conceptual Design of Advanced Fusion Neutron Source (A-FNS)

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ABSTRACT

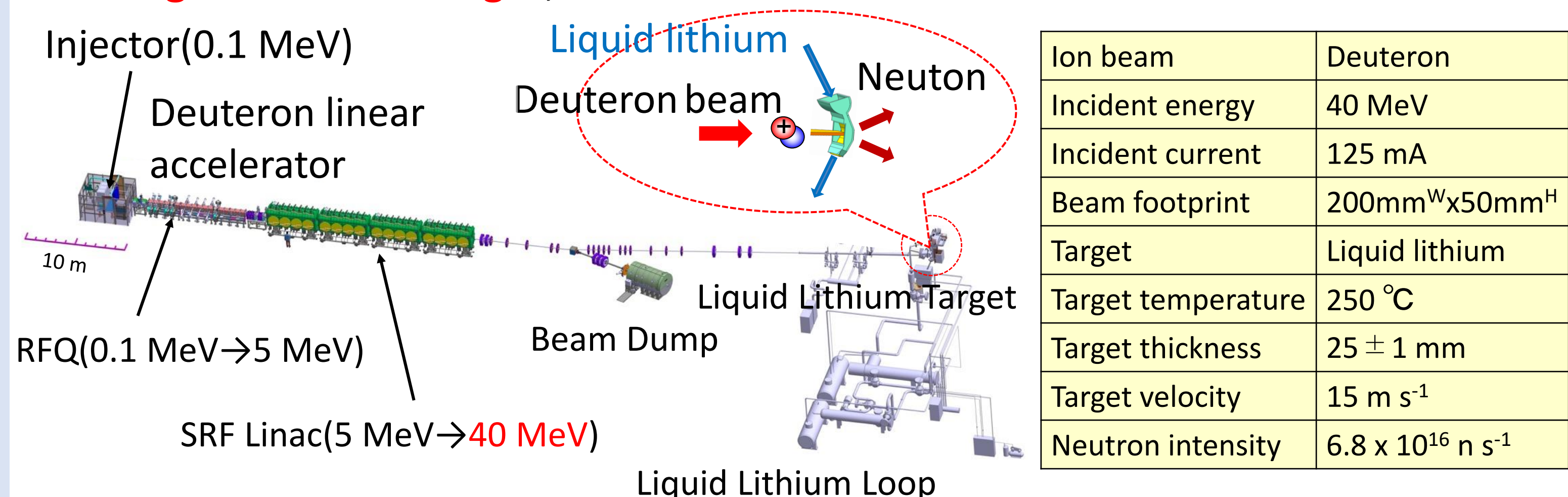
- We established a conceptual design of **Advanced Fusion Neutron Source (A-FNS)**. In order to obtain irradiation data required in qualifying materials of fusion DEMO DT reactor, we newly designed **nine test modules (TMs)** based on a 'horizontal maintenance method **integrated with the shielding plug**'.
- We are to perform **multipurpose usage** by using huge amounts of neutrons.

1. BACKGROUND / INTRODUCTION

- In the Japanese Project of development of fusion power plant, one of the key milestones is to acquire **initial irradiation data on the fusion DEMO DT reactor materials** by using a **fusion neutron source** around 2035.
- Obtaining irradiation data is required on the followings; (1)**blanket materials**, (2)**divertor material**, (3)**tritium behaviour** and **nuclear property** in blanket, (4)**diagnostic** and **control devices**. We plan to construct A-FNS in Rokkasho.
- Critical issues in the A-FNS design are to establish a concept of the test modules for acquisition of the irradiation data while enabling **remote maintenance** of the test modules, and to achieve **multipurpose usages**.

2. BASIC SPECIFICATION, SITE AND BUILDING DESIGN

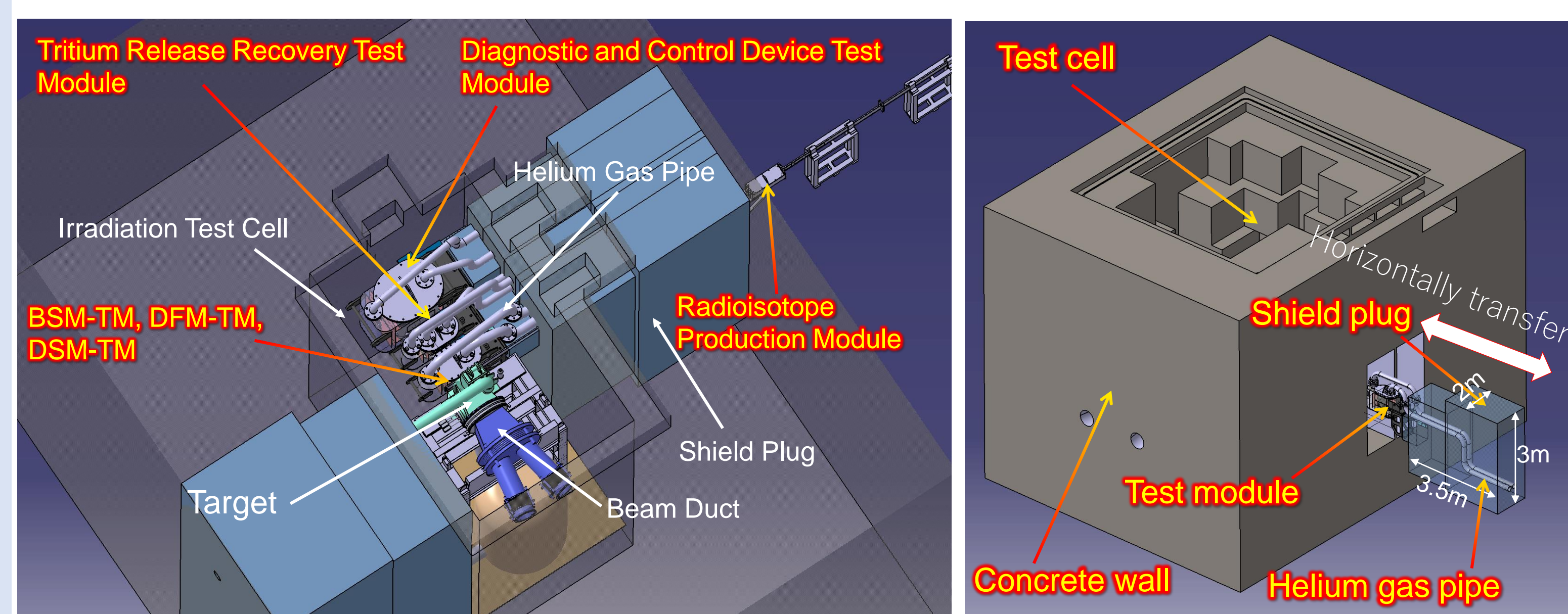
The A-FNS facilities are planned to be placed in the area adjacent to Rokkasho Fusion Institute of QST. The site is estimated to be **400 – 500 m in width**, around **400 m in length** and around **17 hectares in area**. The **A-FNS main building** is **179 m in length**, **112 m in width** and **48 m in vertical direction**.



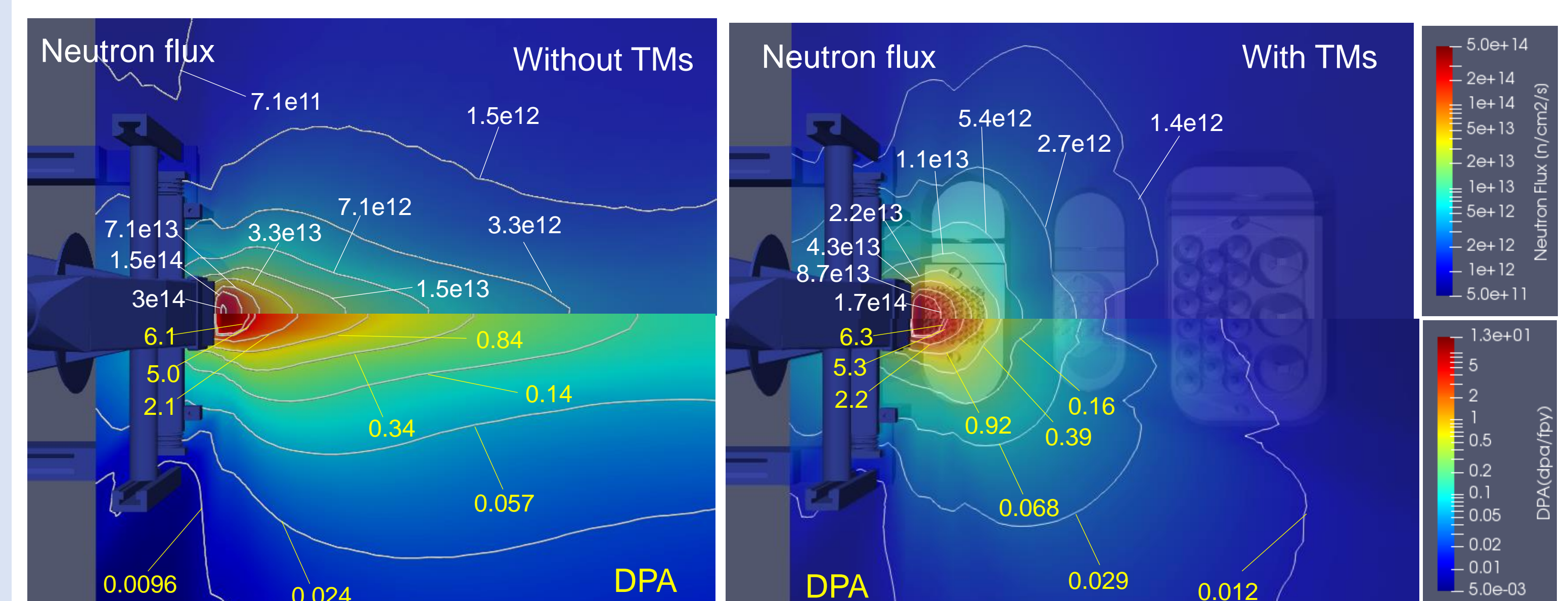
Conceptual view of accelerator and target in A-FNS, and main basic parameter

3. TEST FACILITY DESIGN

Test Modules (TMs) are installed in the test cell. We established **new conceptual designs on the nine TMs**; Blanket Structure Material TM (BSM-TM), Divertor Functional Material TM (DFM-TM), Blanket Functional Material TM (BFM-TM), Activated Corrosion Production TM, Tritium Release TM, Creep Fatigue TM, Diagnostic and Control Device TM, Blanket Nuclear Property TM, Neutron Flux Measurement Module. We designed them based on a new maintenance scheme: '**horizontal maintenance method integrated with the shielding plug**'. We evolved the arrangement on each of the test modules to make it possible to acquire a variety of the irradiation data at the same time.



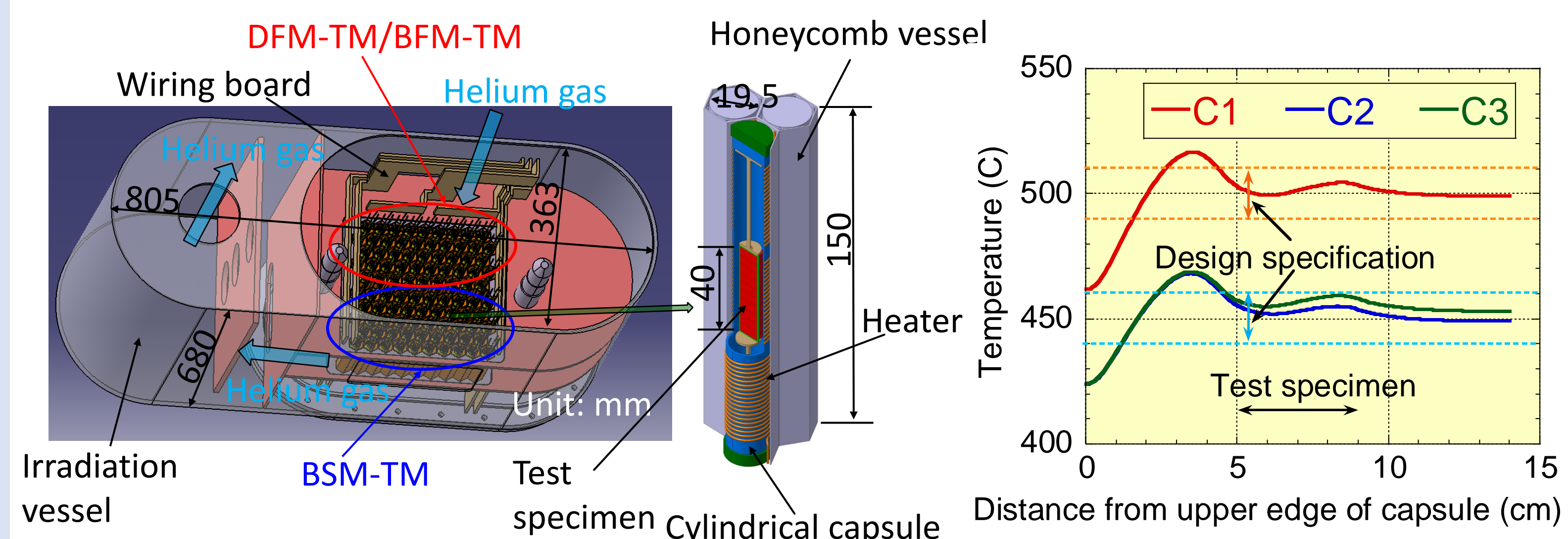
Conceptual view of test cell in A-FNS Conceptual view of maintenance scheme



Neutron flux and neutron displacement damage in the A-FNS test cell

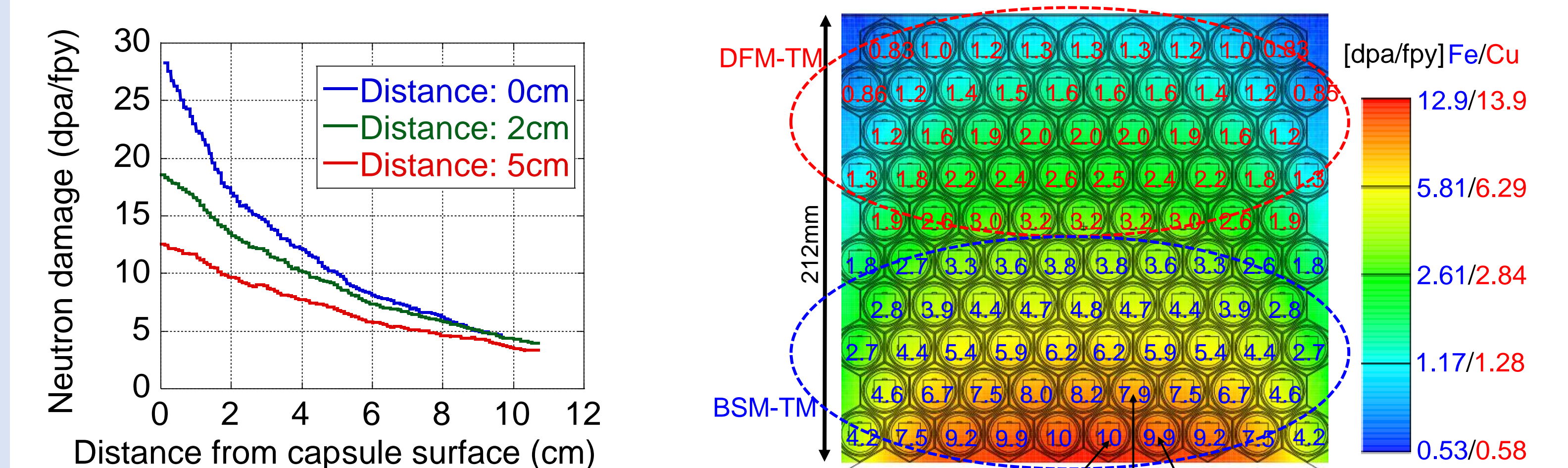
4. TEST MODULE DESIGN

BSM-TM, DFM-TM and **BFM-TM** are installed in a single irradiation vessel of a race-track shaped box structure. The test specimens are inserted in the **cylindrical capsules**. By conducting FEM thermal analyses, we designed the TMs which could satisfy the design specification on the irradiation temperature.



Conceptual view of BSM-TM/DFM-TM/BFM-TM Temperature in capsule center

We designed that the closest capsules were placed at 5 cm distance from the target from both viewpoints of uniformity of the dpa distribution in capsule and the maintenance by the remote handling means. The maximum dpa of **F82H** and **Cu** were found to be about **10dpa/fpy** and **3.2dpa/fpy**, respectively, which are designed to fulfil critical requirements for the initial irradiation campaign, namely **20dpa** for **F82H** and **10dpa** for **Cu**, by accumulated irradiation for **2 - 3 years** which mean **4 – 6 years** operation periods.



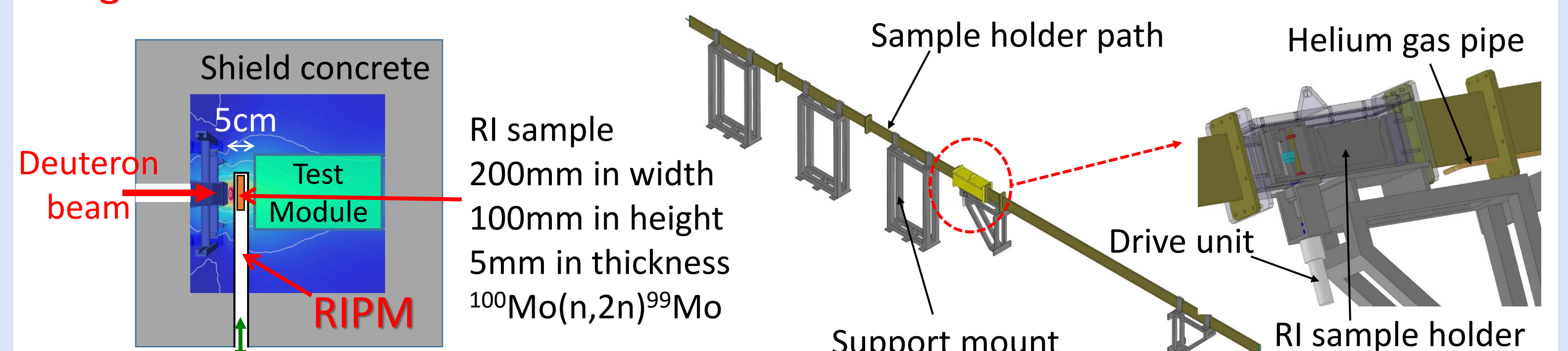
Neutron displacement damage as a function of distance from capsule surface Neutron displacement damage map in the BSM-TM and DFM-TM

5. TRITIUM MIGRATION

Radioactive materials such as tritium, beryllium-7, etc, are generated in the A-FNS. One of critical issues is tritium treatment for radioactive materials. We carried out preliminary estimation of tritium migration for the **lithium target system**. It was found that **10⁵m³/h** of **continuous ventilation** and a **couple of 30m³ drainage tanks** for **weekly wastewater discharge** were needed.

6. RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPE PRODUCTION MODULE (RIPM)

We could established RIPM by inserting it in the space between the target and the TMs. By applying the reaction of **¹⁰⁰Mo(n,2n)⁹⁹Mo**, we can produce **⁹⁹Mo** of **83TBq**, which can almost satisfy the demand in Japan (**84TBq** for one week), for medical RI with **three-days irradiation**. RIPM is transferred to the access cell during neutron irradiation by remote handling with the transfer unit. Decrease of the DPAs is only **1%**, and we can achieve a good balance between the irradiation tests on the fusion reactor materials and the **multipurpose usage**.



Conceptual view of RIPM Conceptual view of transfer unit for RIPM

CONCLUSION

- We established a conceptual design of the A-FNS.
- In order to acquire the initial irradiation data on the fusion reactor materials required for DEMO reactor around 2035, we newly designed **nine TMs** based on a 'horizontal maintenance method **integrated with the shielding plug**'.
- We designed the **RI production module** which could fully produce large amounts of radioisotopes for **medical and industrial use**.