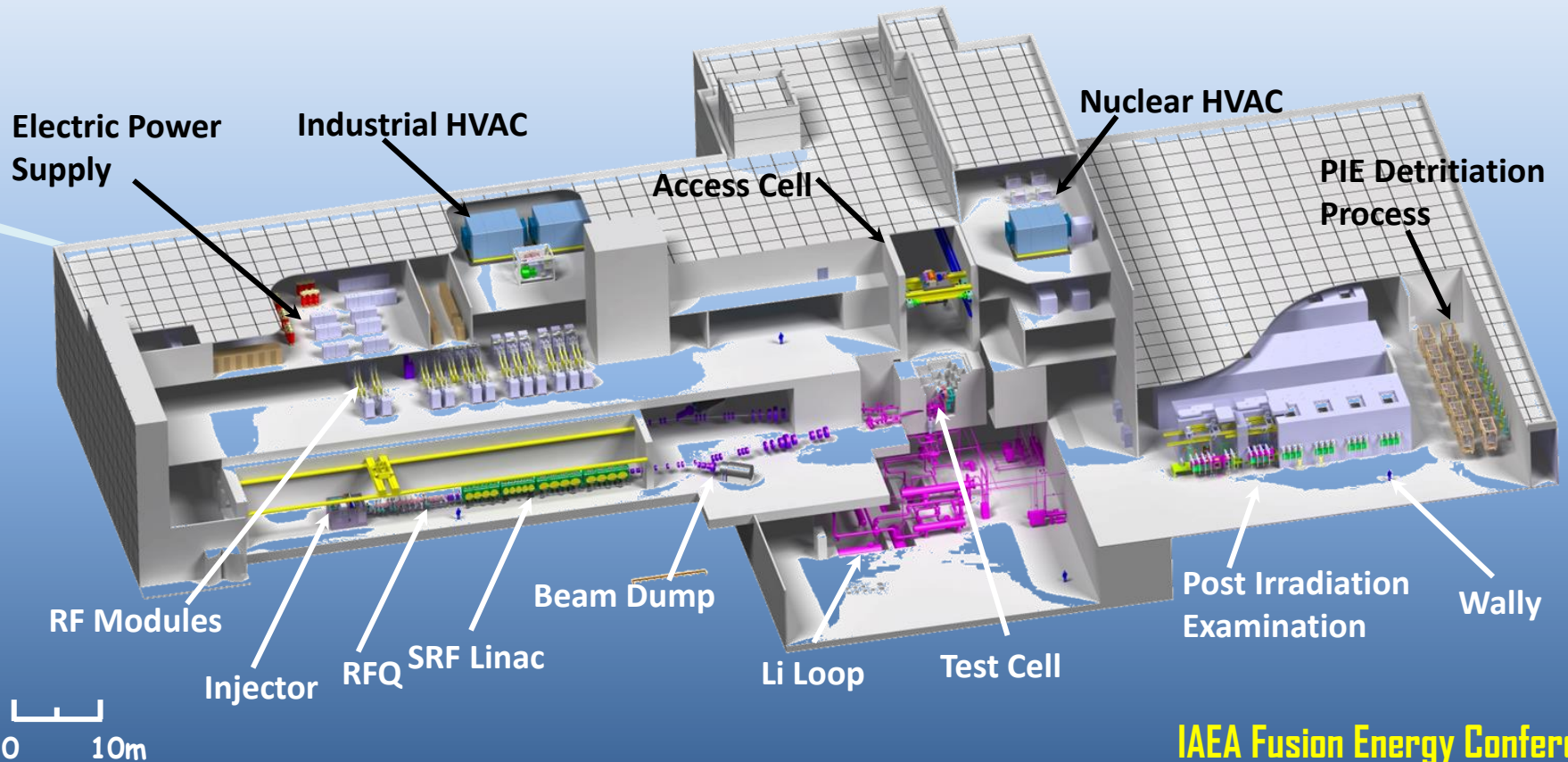


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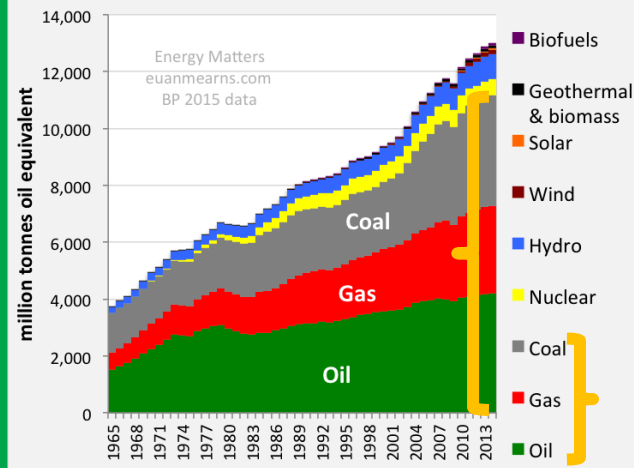
the neutron source for the Fusion Program

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Kyoto
October 2016

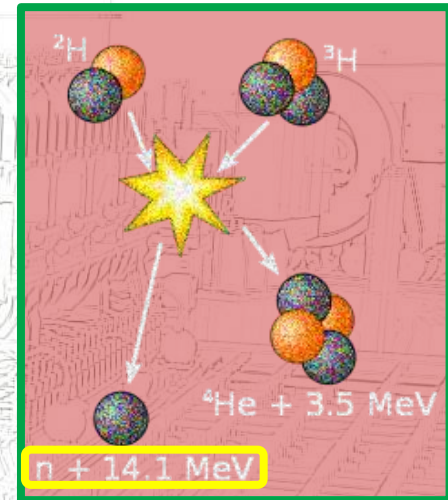
Global Energy Consumption 1965-2014



Nuclear Fusion

the potential energy solution for humankind

The first wall
of the reactor vessel shall
absorb 14.1 MeV neutrons
product of DT reactions



ITER first wall will present
 $3 < \text{dpa}$ at the end of its operational life

In a Fusion power plant
 $\sim 15 \text{ dpa}$ per year of operation

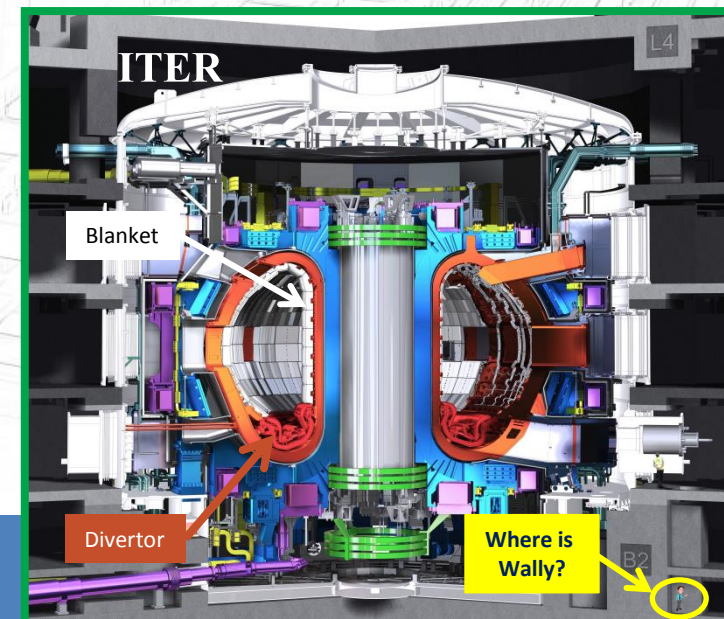
Two transmutation reactions become critical



and



with n threshold energies at **2.9** and **0.9 MeV**



Structural Fusion materials are to withstand the combination of

High fluxes (and fluences)

$$10^{18} \text{ n/m}^2\text{s}$$

Cyclic stresses

$$\Delta\sigma > 100 \text{ MPa}$$

(Maxwell stresses)

Thermal loads

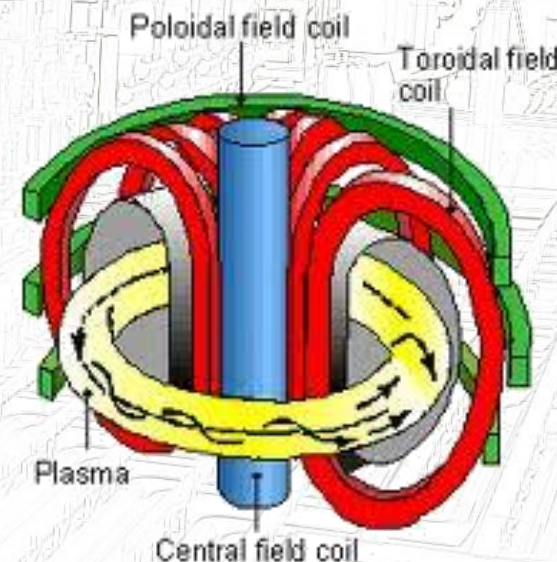
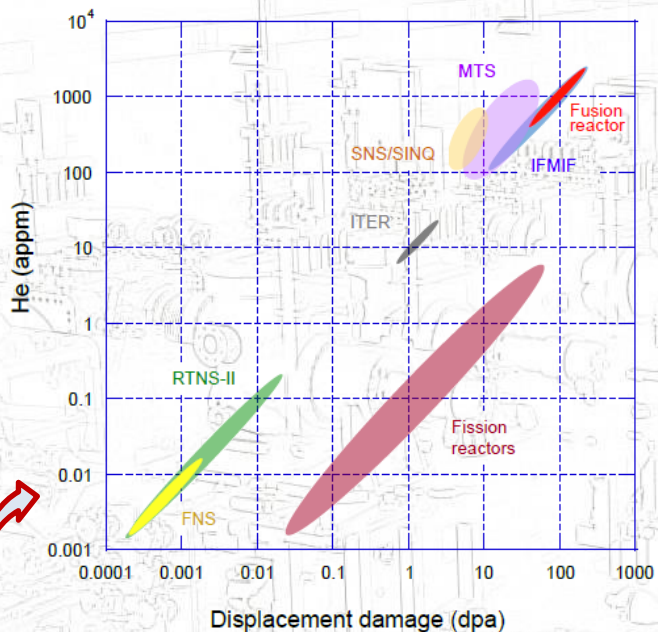
$$>10 \text{ MW/m}^2$$

(critical in W based divertor)

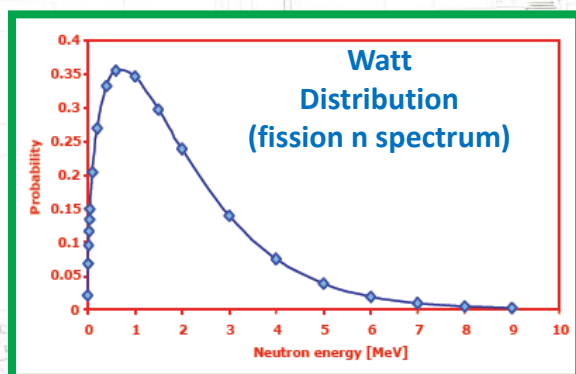
He&H generation

$$\sim 12 \text{ appm He/dpa}$$

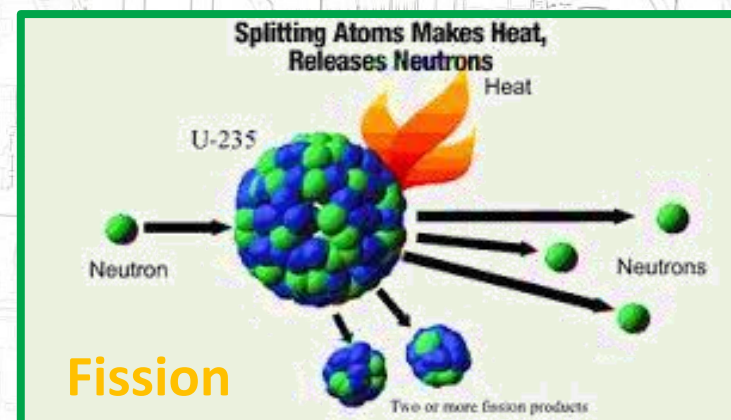
Neither fission reactors (0.3 He/dpa) nor spallation sources (>50 He/dpa) give needed answers



Fission reactors n average energy < 2 MeV

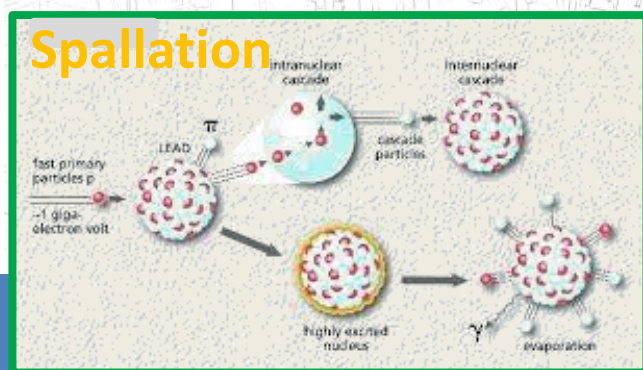


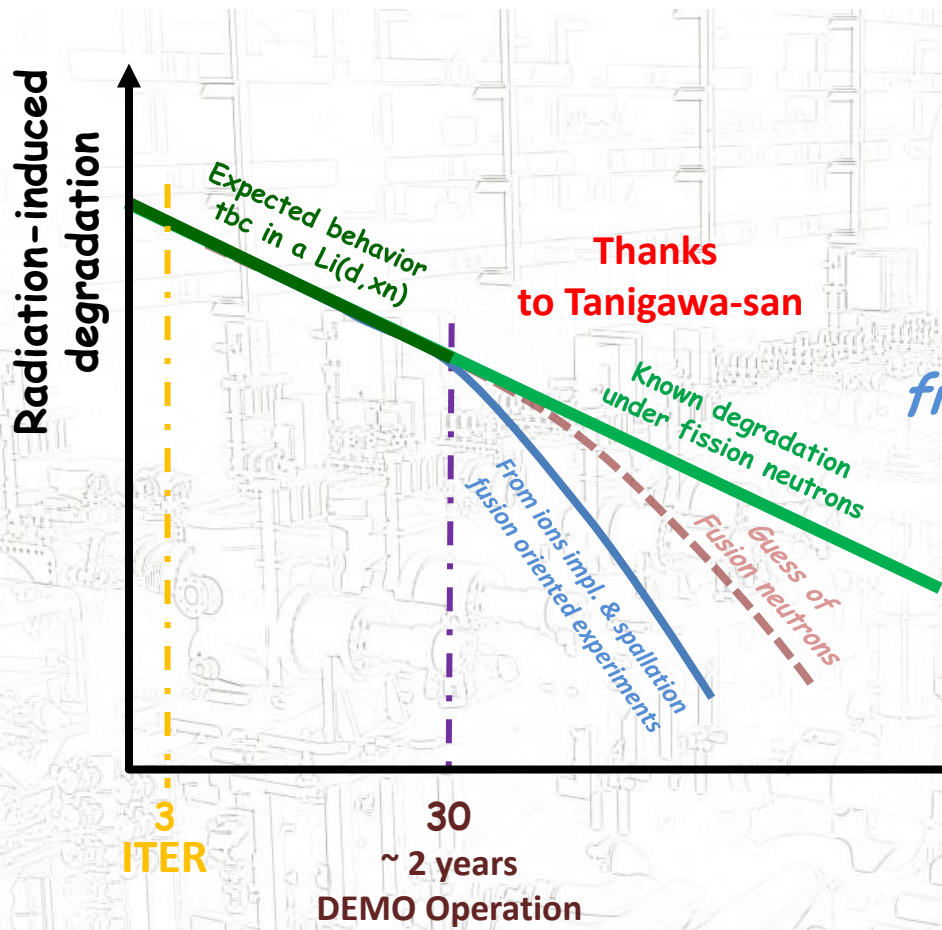
No efficient p^+ or α -particle generation



Spallation sources present a wide spectrum with tails reaching impacting particle energy

~ 20 n per reaction
and are pulsed





Thanks
to Tanigawa-san

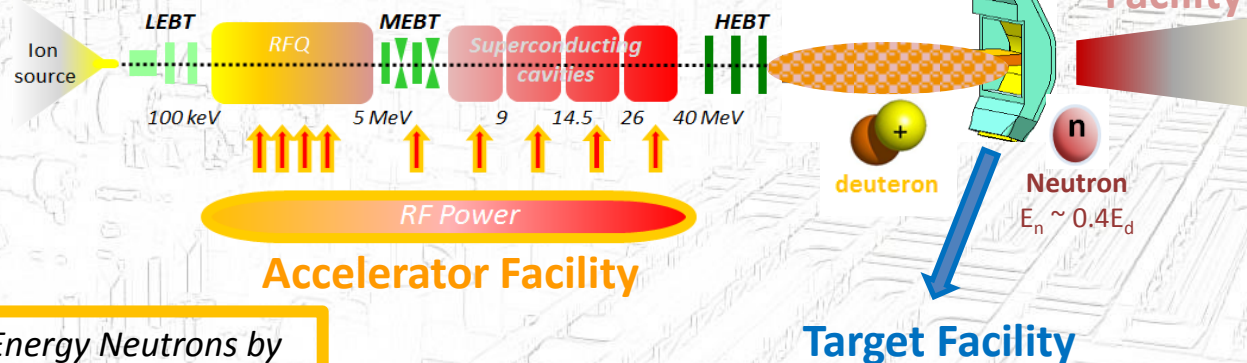
We need data
from all possible sources
from fission reactors
from spallation sources
from ion implantation
from a 14 MeV neutron source

A 2 GW DEMO will reach ITER's expected degradation damage
in a couple of months operating at full power

Fusion relevant neutron sources are indispensable

A worldwide R&D and design work has continuously been in place since the '70s

P. Grand et al., *An intense Li(d,n) neutron radiation test facility for controlled thermonuclear reactor materials testing*, Nuclear Technology, Vol 29, p. 327 (1976)



R. Serber, *The Production of High Energy Neutrons by Stripping*, Phys. Rev. Vol. 72, No 1 (1947)

FMIT (80s in the US) – ESNIT (90s in Japan)

IFMIF for last 20 years

Initially as a US, RF, JP & EU collaboration up to 2007



Four decades of work towards a Li(d,xn) facility

IFMIF
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Irradiation Facility

IFMIF
Post-Production
Engineering Facility

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Special Topic

The accomplishment of the Engineering Design Activities of IFMIF/EVEDA: The European–Japanese project towards a Li(d,xn) fusion relevant neutron source

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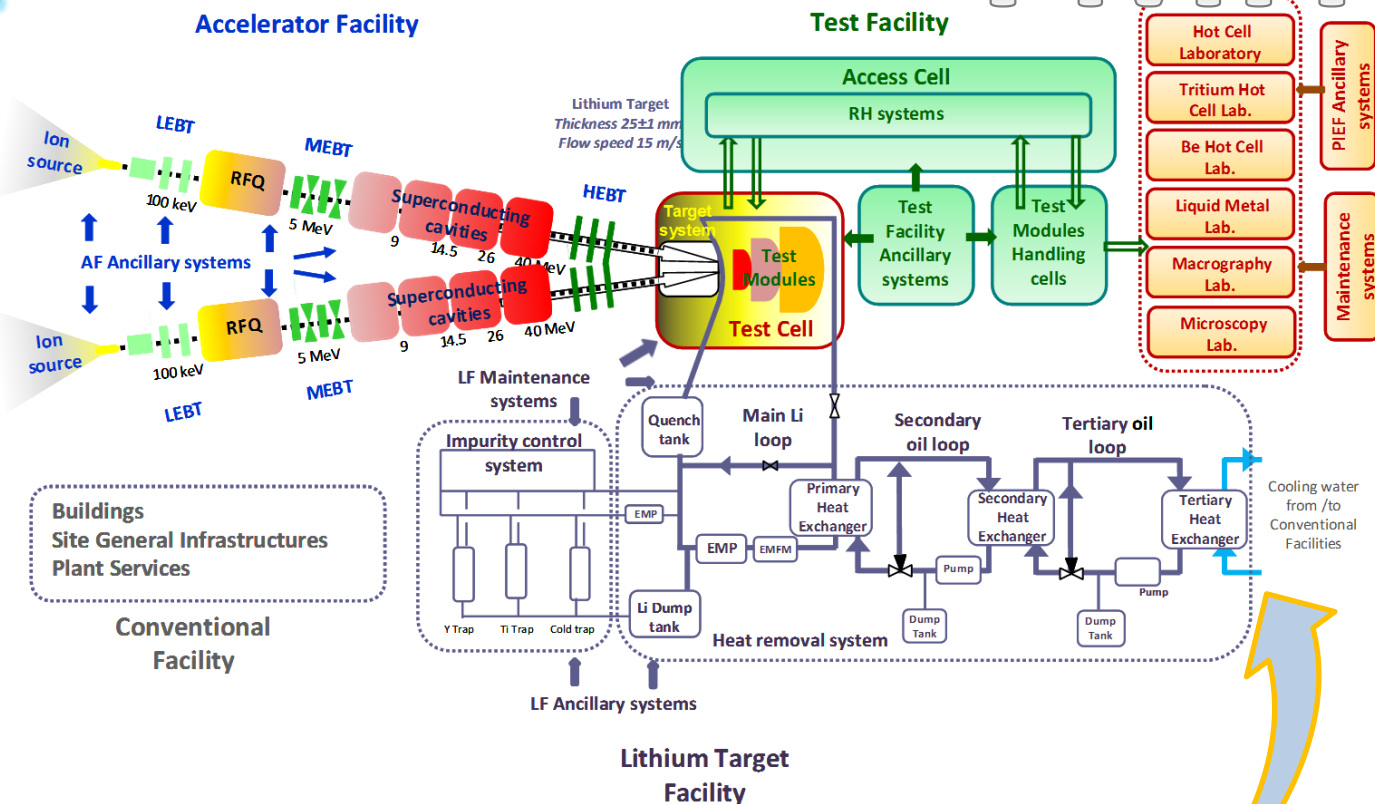
Abstract
The International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility (IFMIF), presently in its Engineering Validation and Engineering Design Activities (EVEDA) phase under the frame of the Broader Approach Agreement between Europe and Japan, accomplished in summer 2013, on schedule, its EDA phase with the release of the engineering design report of the IFMIF plant, which is here described. Many improvements of the design from former phases are implemented, particularly a reduction of beam losses and operational costs thanks to the superconducting accelerator concept, the re-location of the quench tank outside the

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as those produced in fission reactors. Little is known about the degradation in material properties resulting from the combination of

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IFMIF

International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility

EVEDA

Engineering Validation & Engineering Design Activities

...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



Signed in February 2007

Framed by the Broader Approach Agreement



Nagoya University



Osaka University



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Hachinohe National College of technology





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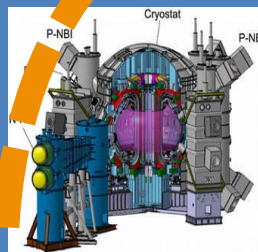
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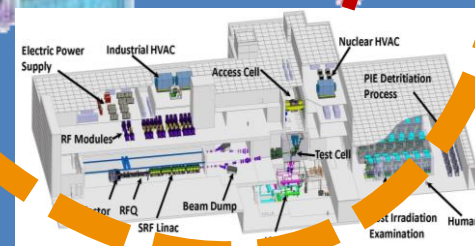
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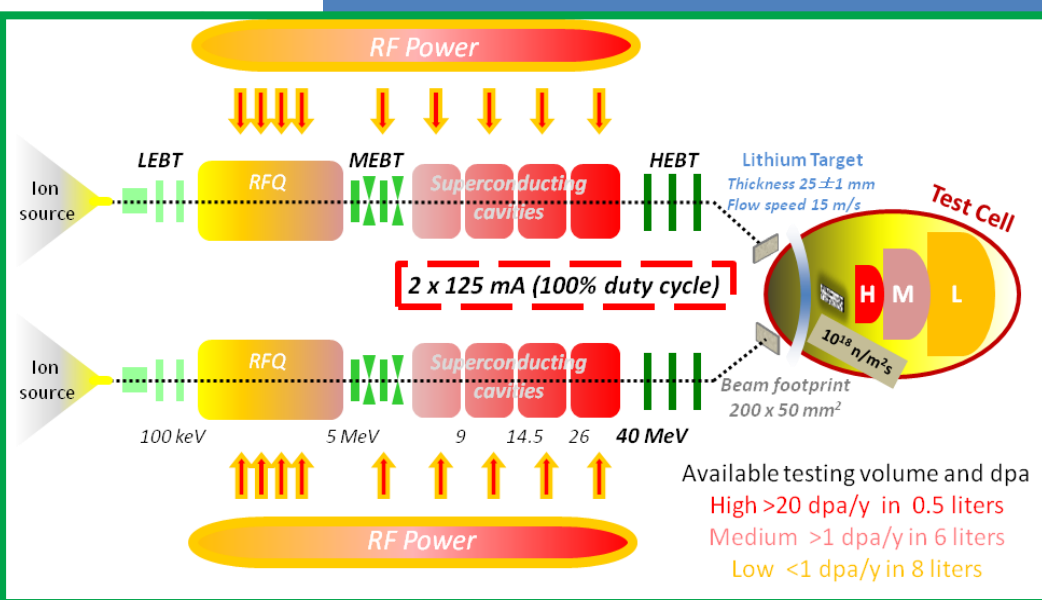
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ITER
500MWth

The Broader Approach Agreement
since 2007

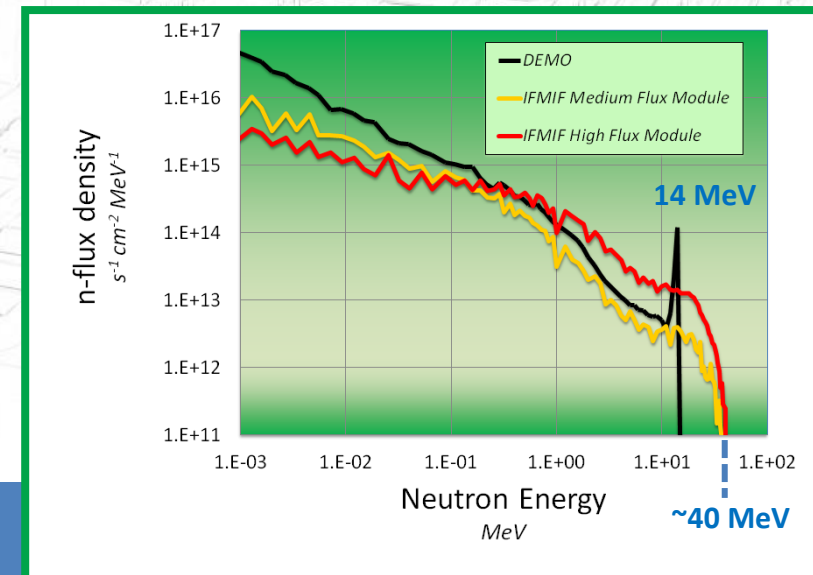
IFMIF concept



A flux of neutrons of $\sim 10^{18} \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
is generated in the forward direction
with a broad peak at
14 MeV
and irradiate three regions
>20 dpa/y in 0.5 liters
>1 dpa/y in 6 liters
<1 dpa/y in 8 liters

Availability of facility >70%

Two concurrent
125 mA CW deuterons beam
at 40 MeV
impact with
a beam footprint of $200 \times 50 \text{ mm}^2$
on a liquid Li screen
flowing at 15 m/s





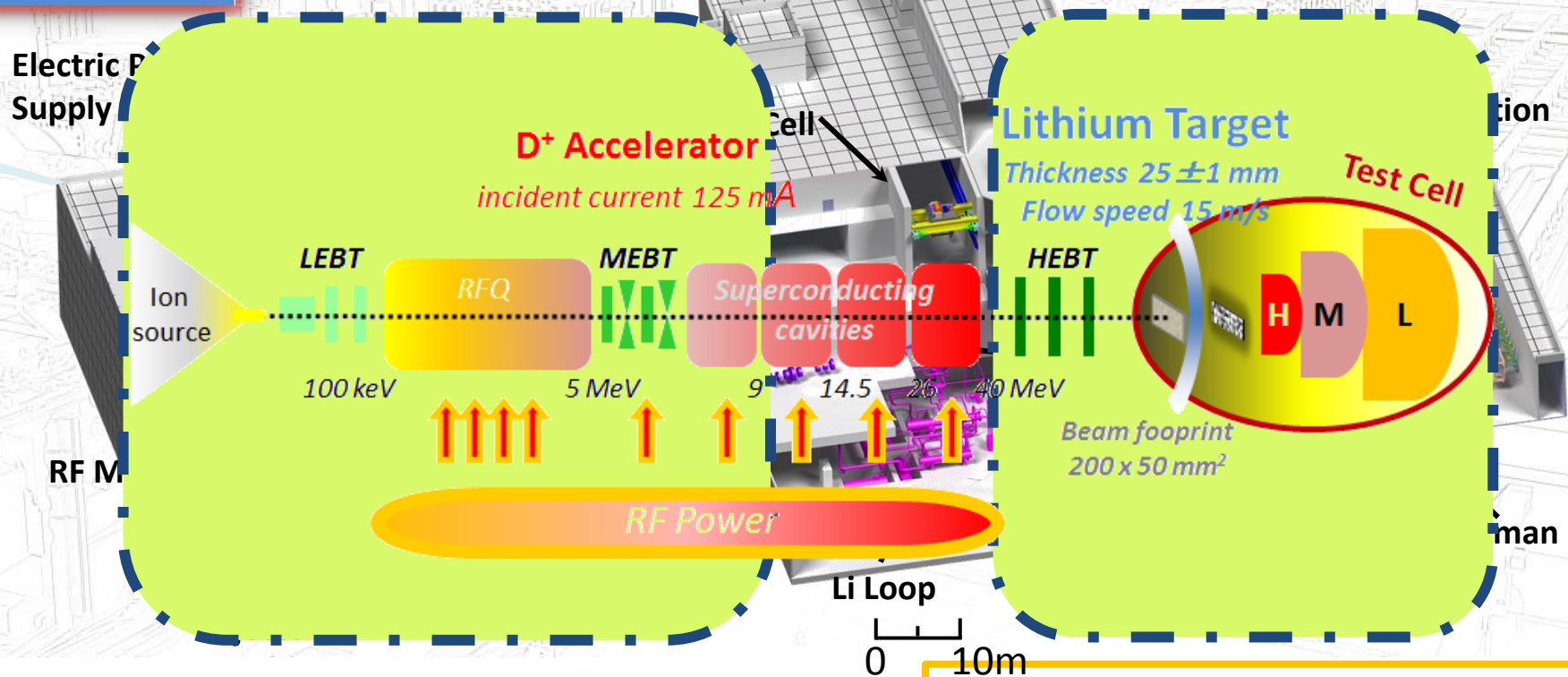
EVEDA = EDA + EVA Phases

Engineering Design Activities – EDA phase

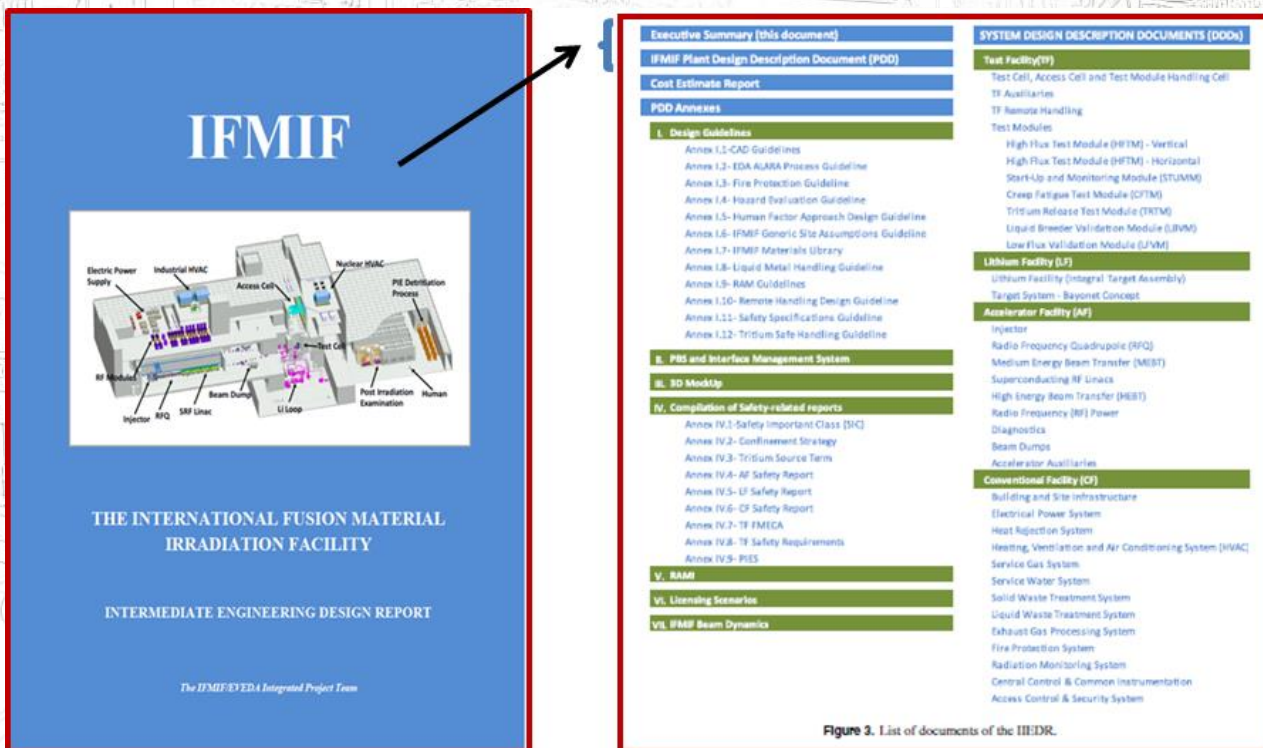
Successfully delivered on schedule

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Validation Activities – EVA phase



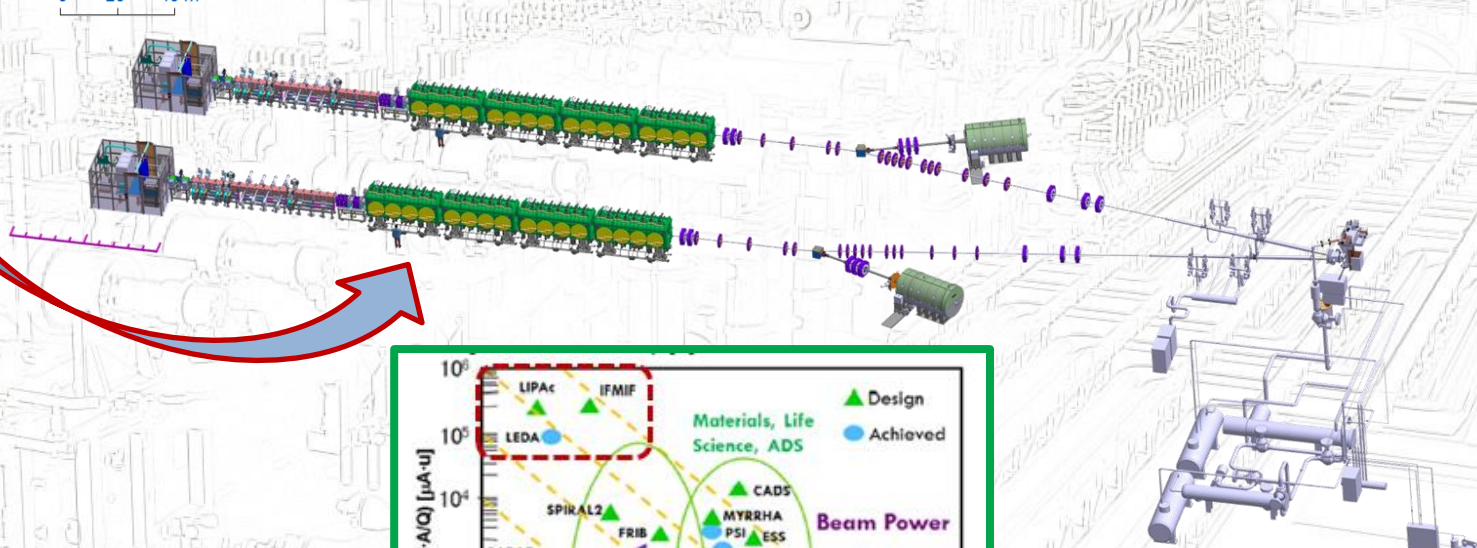
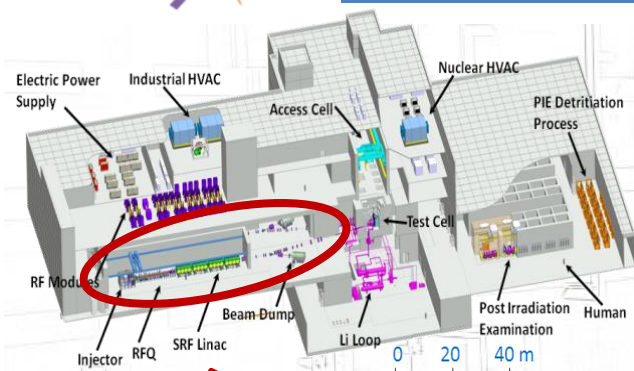
It includes
 >100 technical reports
*interfaces with thorough 3D models, licensing scenarios,
 RAMI analysis, nuclear safety studies, beam dynamics,
 35 Detail Design Description documents of all sub-systems
 and cost&schedule*



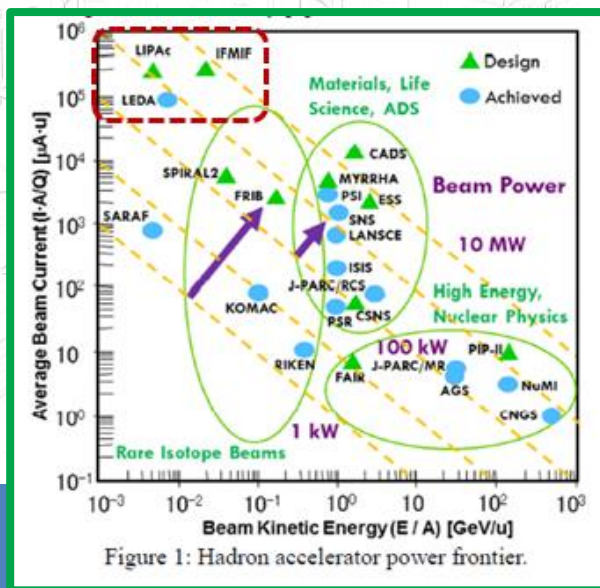


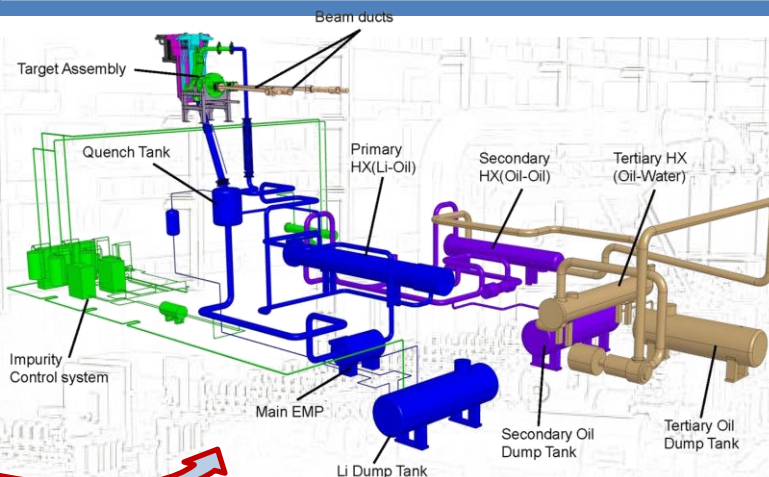
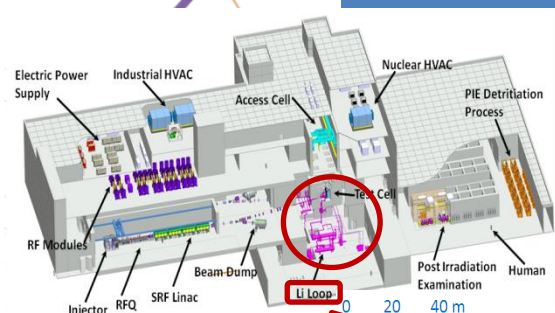
EVA Phase – Accelerator Facility

*Deuteron beams 2 x 125 mA in CW
40 MeV energy
2 x 5 MW beam power*



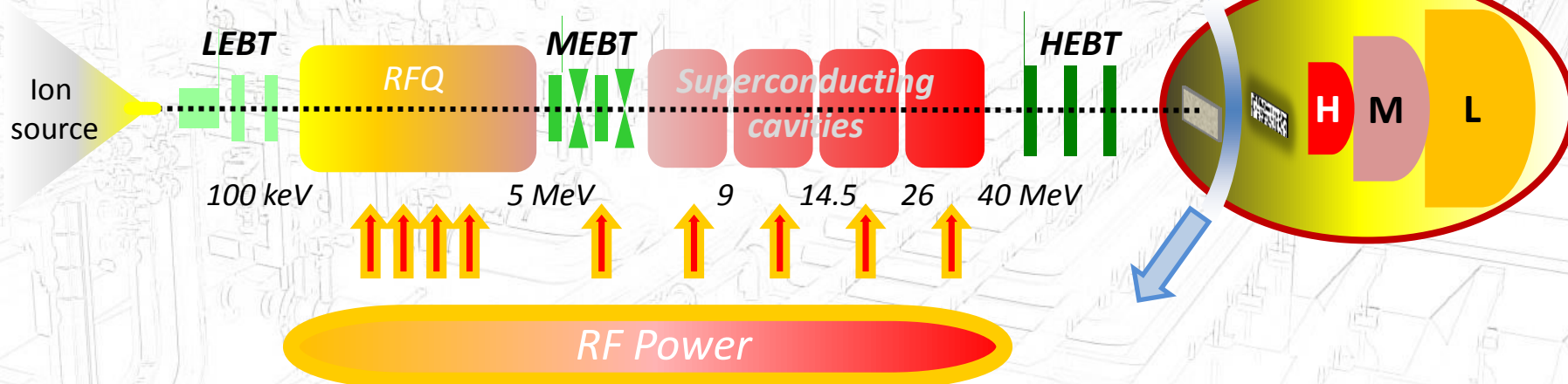
J. WEI et al., *The very high intensity future*, **IPAC 2014, Dresde**





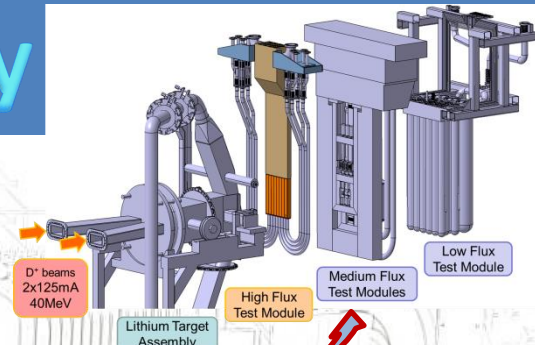
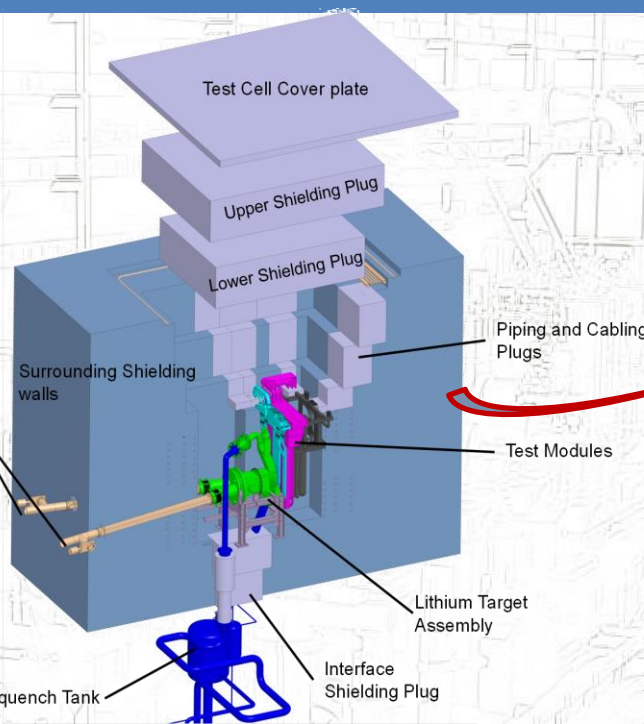
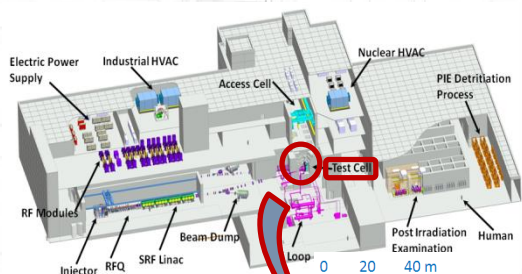
Lithium jet
at 250 C
Flow speed 15 m/s
Thickness 25 ± 1 mm

D⁺ Accelerator
incident current 125 mA





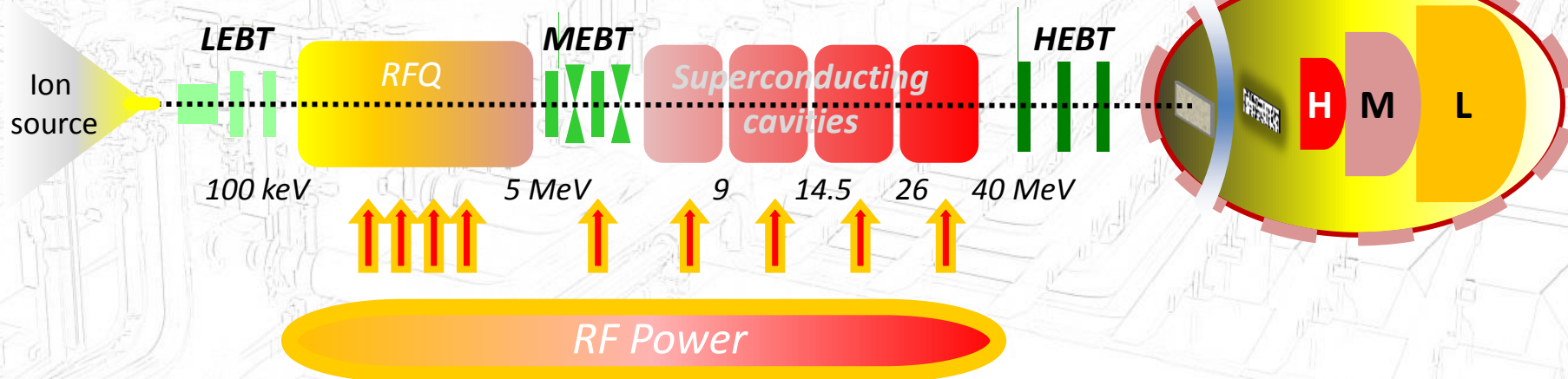
EVA Phase – Test facility



HFTM

**20 dpa/y in 500 cm³
12 x 80 small specimens
independently cooled
within +/-3% T**

Test Cell



The validation activities covered
a very wide range

There is no time to cover the full scope
in this talk

**J. Knaster et al., *IFMIF: overview
of the validation activities*,
Nuclear Fusion 53 (2013) 116001**

I will focus on identifying
those historical main technological challenges
and explain how EVEDA has addressed them

Five major historical technical concerns addressed in IFMIF/EVEDA

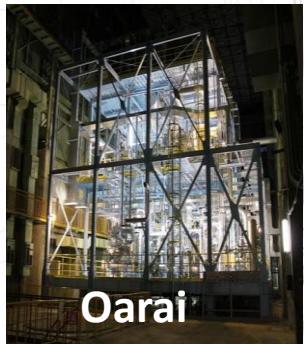
1st concern: D⁺ accelerator of 125 mA CW at 40 MeV
D⁺ prototype accelerator of 125 mA CW at 9 MeV in Rokkasho

2nd concern: Stable flow of lithium at required performance
Full scale prototype of Li facility in Oarai

3rd concern: Irradiated capsules allowing independent cooling
High Flux Test Module prototype in KIT

4th concern: Small Specimens Test Techniques
Shape validation for pending specimens in Japanese Unvers.

5th concern: 2 x 5 MW beam vs target interaction



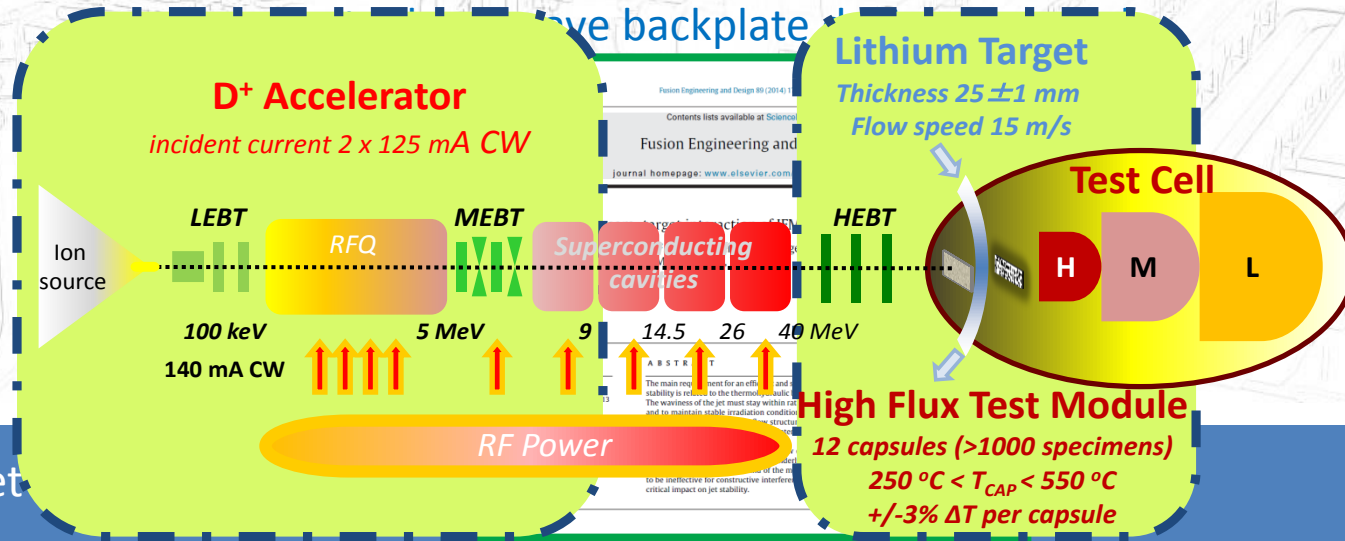
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Rokkasho



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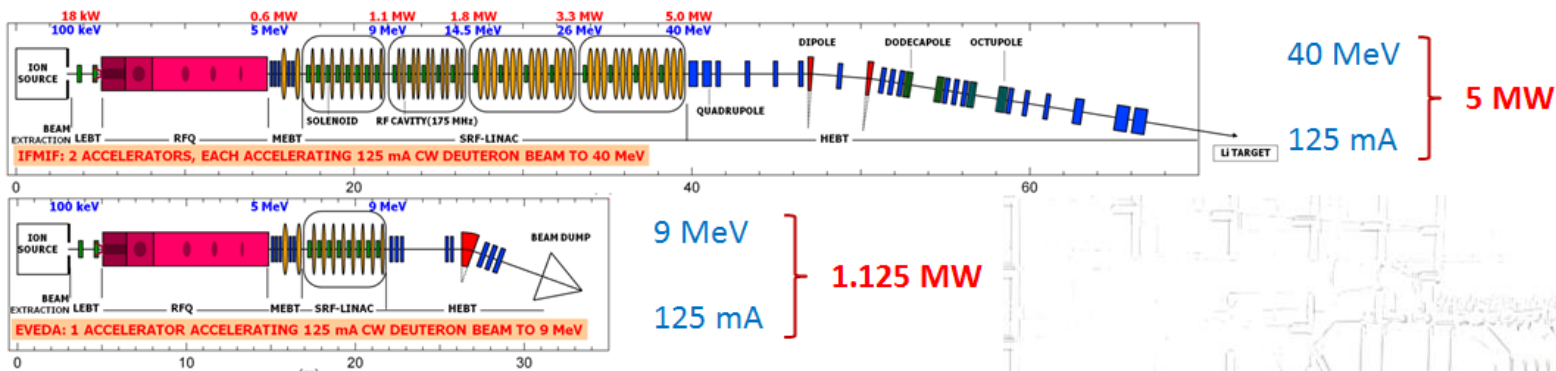




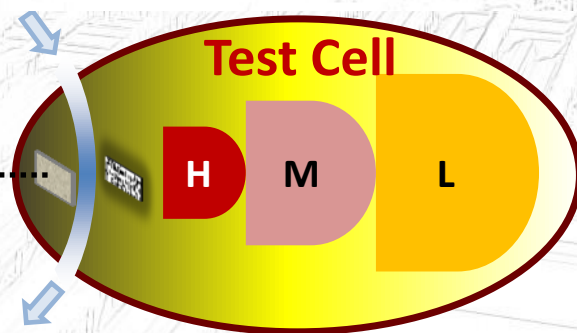
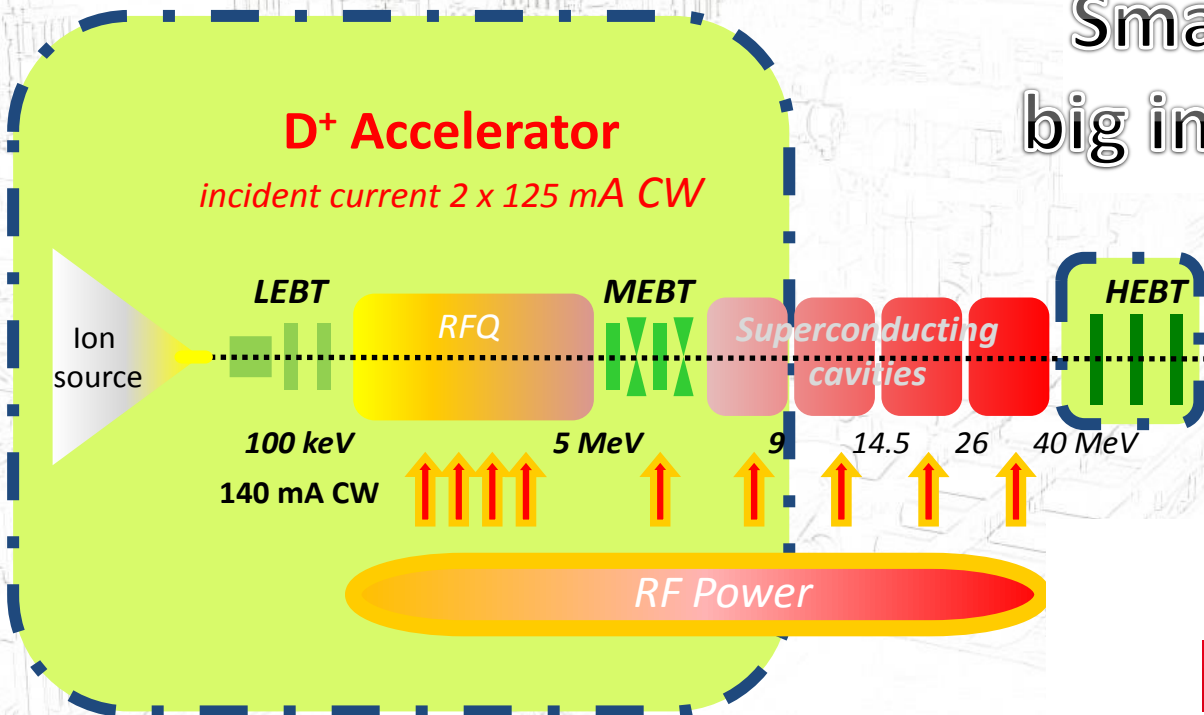
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IFMIF

LIPAc



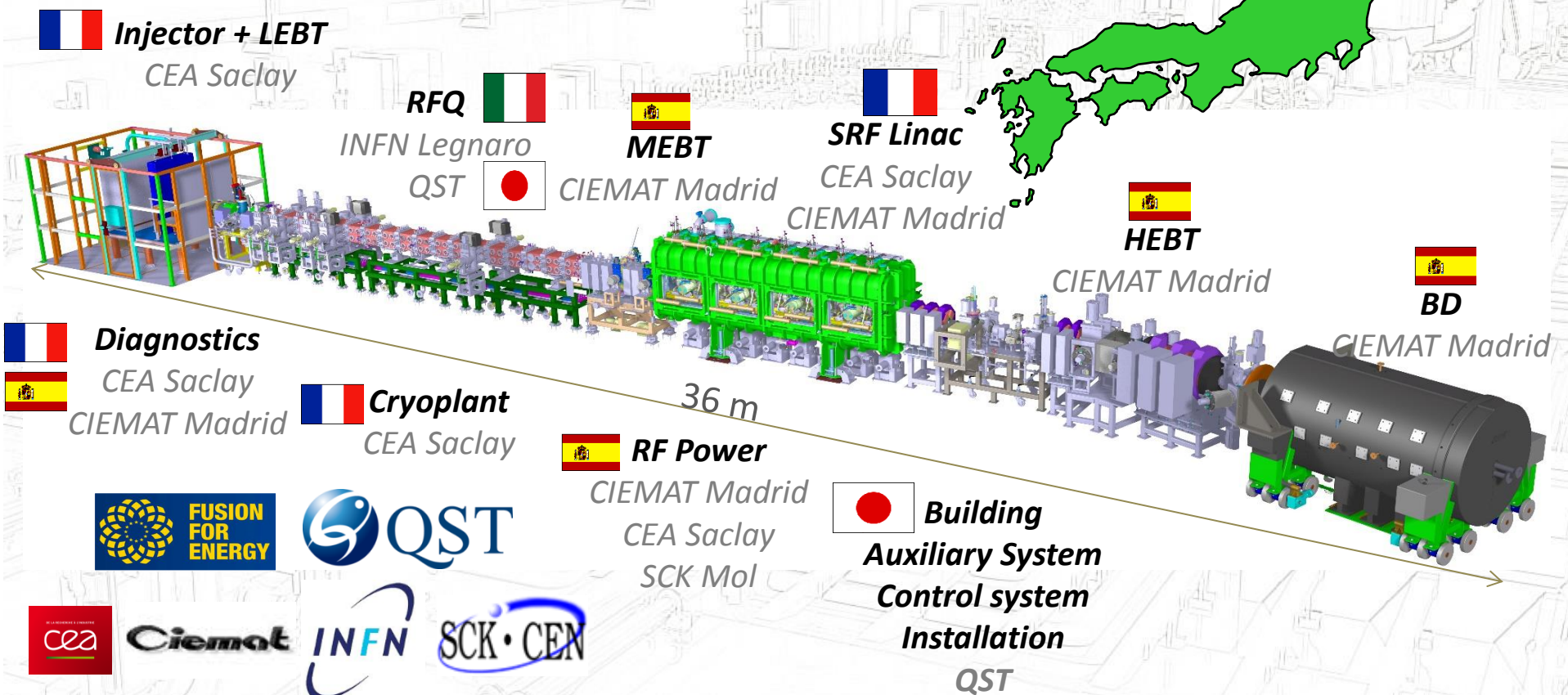
Small in size but
big in performance





EVA Phase – Accelerator Facility

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





1st concern: D⁺ accelerator of 125 mA CW

The accelerator
of records

LIPAc is very ambitious

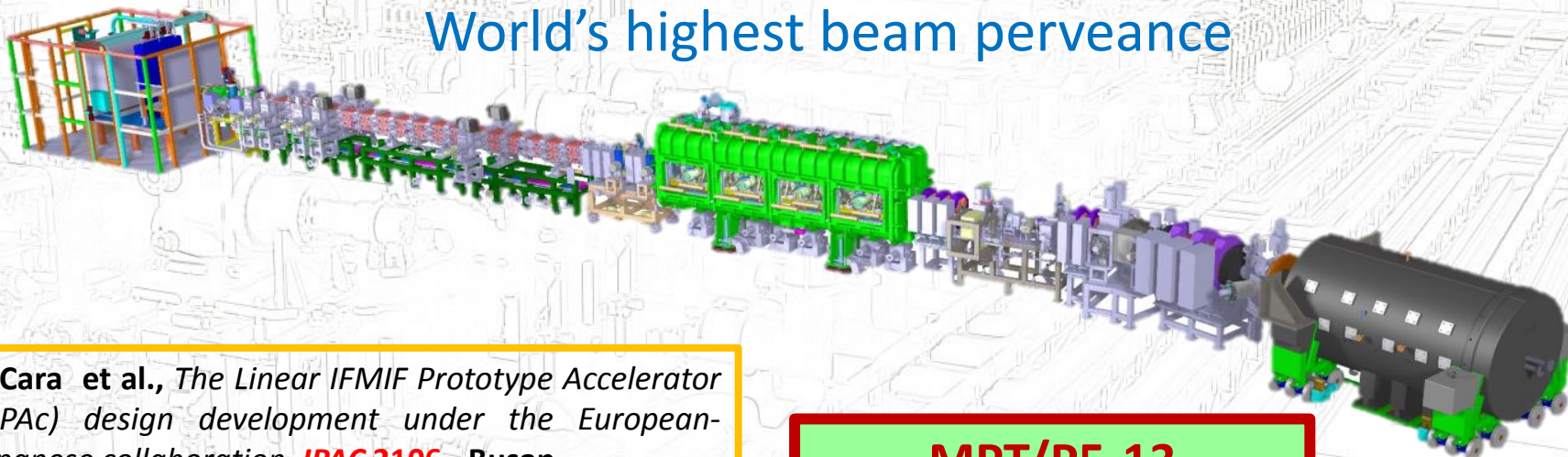
World's highest current linac

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



P. Cara et al., *The Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator (LIPAc) design development under the European-Japanese collaboration*, **IPAC 2106** - Busan

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A. Kasugai et al., *Progress on the Development of Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator and the Beam Commissioning*

Rokkasho Fusion Institute

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A. Kasugai et al., *Progress on the Development of Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator and the Beam Commissioning*

Ion source + LEBT

MEBT

RFQ RF Power



9.8 m long RFQ
during bead pulling exercise
May 2016

Diagnostic Plate

Are we technologically ready for such accelerator?



Evolution of accelerators technology since FMIT

The 1st attempt to run a RFQ in CW was in Los Alamos (LANL) for FMIT accelerator validation exercise

The 'beam halo' was discovered the rough way

T. Taylor and J.S.C. Wills, *A high-current low-emittance dc ECR proton source*, Nucl. Instr. Meth. Phys. Res. A309, (1991)

W.D. Cornelius, *CW operation of the FMIT RFQ accelerator*, Nucl. Instr. Meth. Phys. Res. B10/11 (1985) 859-863

80s

90s

Beam quality injected in RFQ was poor
ECR approach was technologically validated for H⁺ in Chalk River

L.M. Young et al., *High power operations of LEDA*, LINAC 2000, Monterey

1999

LANL successfully operated LEDA
100 mA in CW at 6.7 MeV
with a dual electrodes capacitive/inductive part cooling RFQ tuning
and unraveled beam halo physics the following years

2001

C.K. Allen et al., *Beam-Halo Measurements in High-Current Proton Beams*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, Number 21, 18 Nov. 2002

M. Kelly, *Superconducting Radio-Frequency Cavities for Low-Beta Particle Accelerators*, Reviews of Accelerator Science and Technology 5:185 (2012)

Alvarez type accelerating structure (DTL)

for beam energies within $0.2 < \beta < 0.6$

is a difficult challenge for high currents in CW
the feasibility of superconducting resonators for low- β
was demonstrated in LANL in 2002

2001

T. Tajima, et al., *Evaluation and Testing of a Low- β Spoke Resonator*, PAC 2001, Chicago

2010

Operation of superconducting HWR cavities in CW
SARAF has operated 176 MHz HWR cavities in CW in 2010

J. Knaster and Y. Okumura, *Accelerators for fusion materials testing*, Reviews of Accelerator Science and Technology 8, 115142 (2015)

D. Berkovits et al., *Operational experience and Future goals of the SARAF proton/deuteron linac*, LINAC 2012, Tel-Aviv

LIPAc implements best possible technologies



2nd concern: Stable flow of lithium at required performance

The mandate was challenging
the demonstration
of the flow operational conditions of IFMIF lithium target

Lithium temperature at 250 °C

Flow speed at 15 m/s

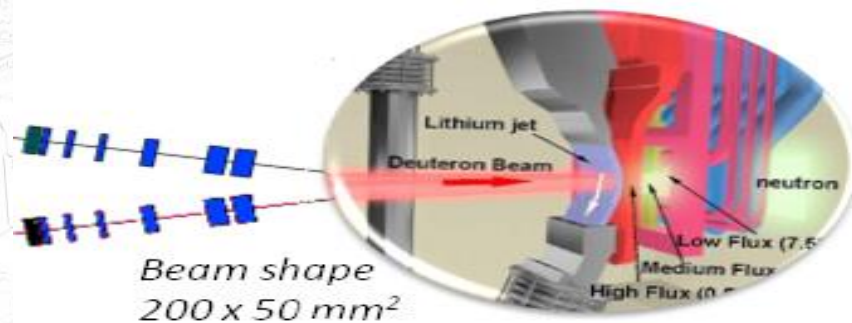
Stable flow with +/- 1 mm amplitude

10^{-3} Pa on free surface

Long term operation stability

Free surface interferometry diagnostics

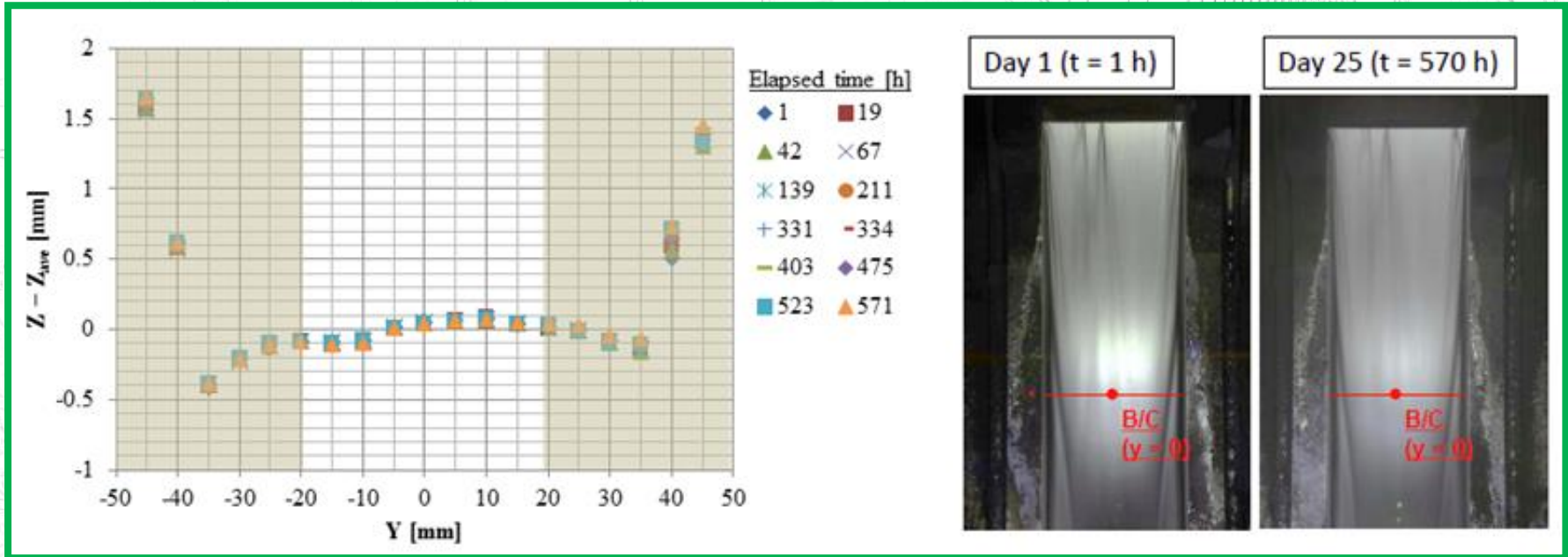
Feasibility of Impurities in lithium <10 ppm



Kondo, H. et al. Validation of IFMIF liquid Li target for IFMIF/EVEDA Project, Fusion Eng. Des. 9697, 117122 (2015)

2nd concern: Stable flow of lithium at required performance

The result of 25 days
continuous operation (24 h/day)



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F. Arbeiter et al.,

*The Accomplishments of Lithium Target and Test Facility
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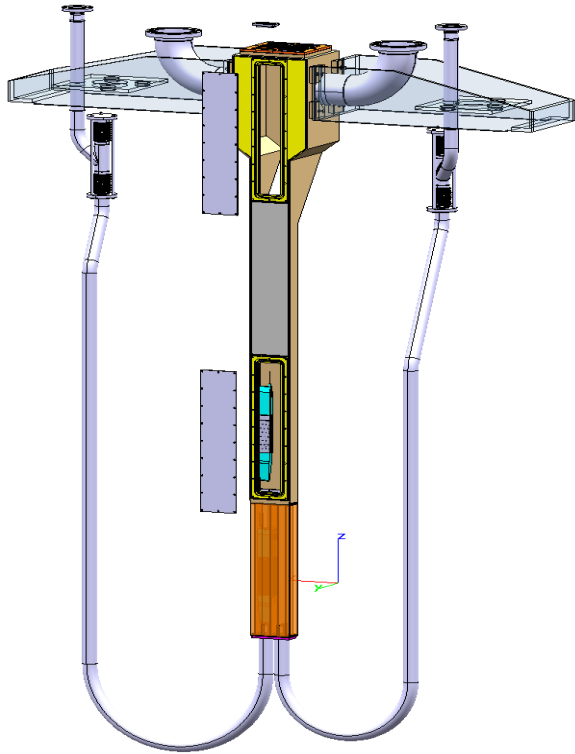
H. Kondo et al.,

*Validation of Liquid Lithium Target
Stability for Intense Neutron Source*

Long term flow stability demonstrated



3th concern: Irradiated capsules allowing independent cooling



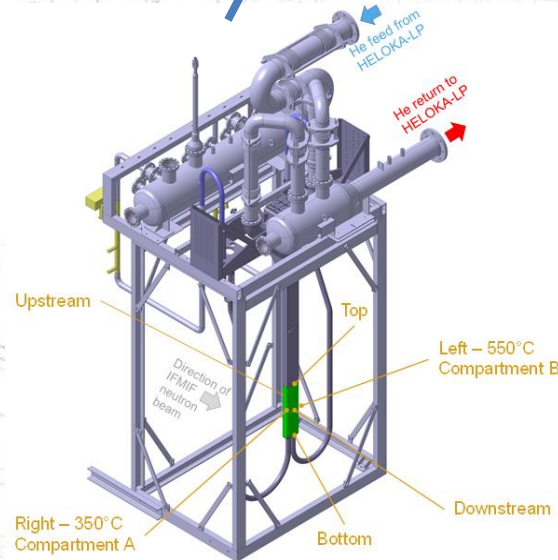
HFTM-Double Compartment

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Target T uniformity of specimens demonstrated



4th concern: Small Specimens Test Techniques

Small specimens

are neither exclusive of fusion
nor a new technology

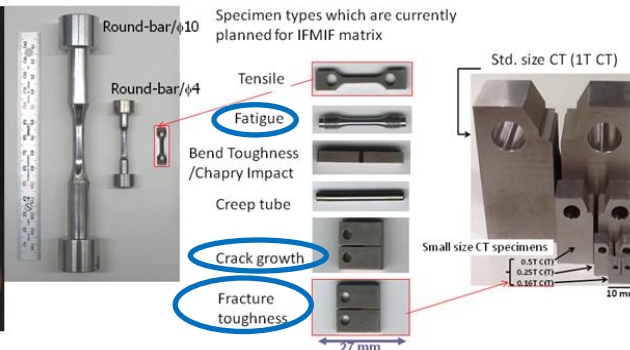
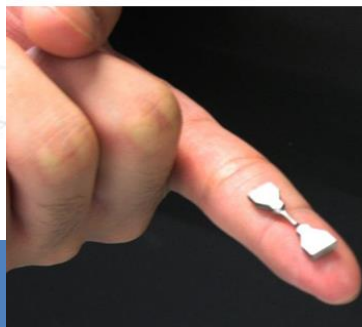
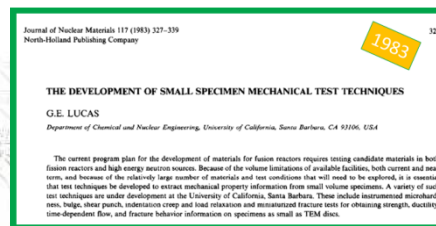


Under EVEDA intense work has been developed on

Fatigue

Fracture toughness

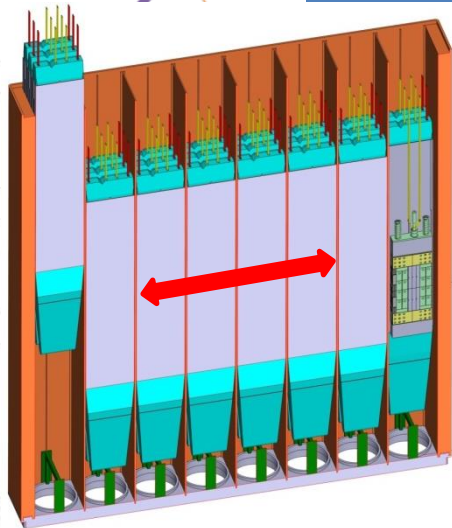
Crack growth rate



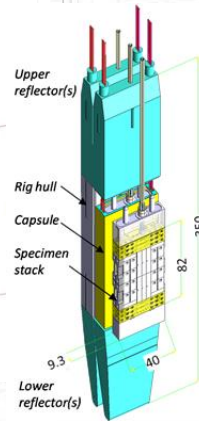
4th concern: Small Specimens Test Techniques

12 capsules within beam footprint
x2 sets of 40-45 spec/capsule
within 3% ΔT /capsule

Thermalized with NaK



8 compartment
4 central directly irradiated

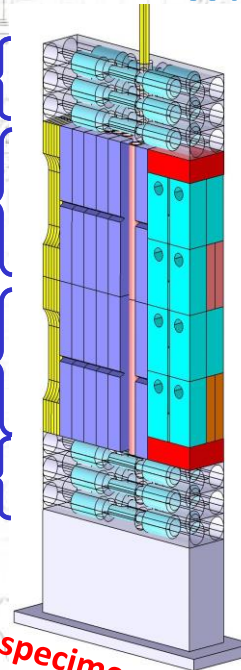


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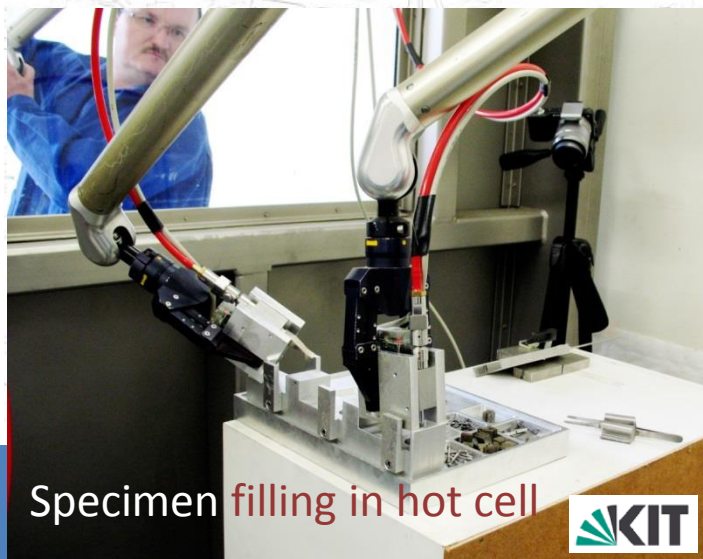
Bundle-2 Bundle-1

Alloy A Alloy B

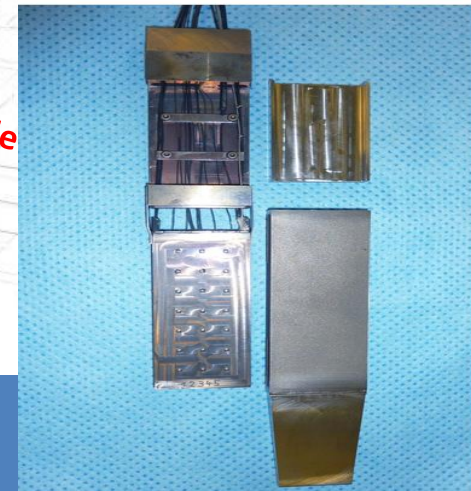
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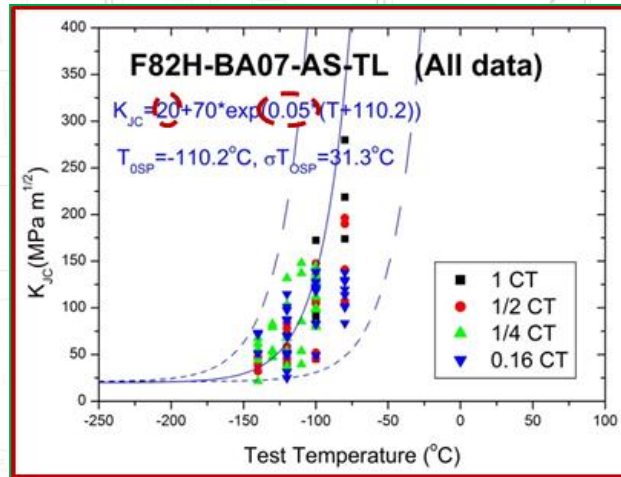
80-90 specimens/capsule



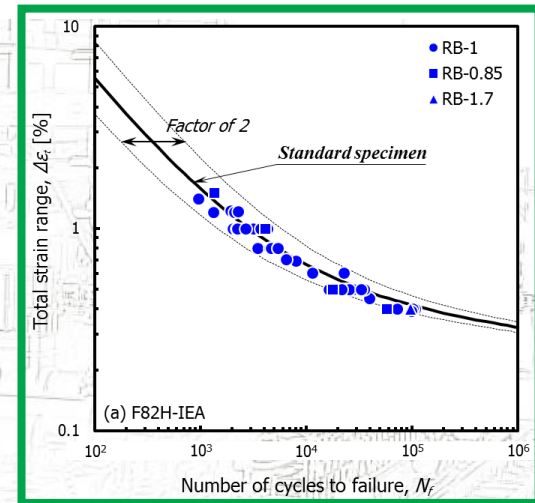
Specimen filling in hot cell



4th concern: Small Specimens Test Techniques



Master Curve for ferritic steels under ASTM E1921 did not work an adaptation is being studied

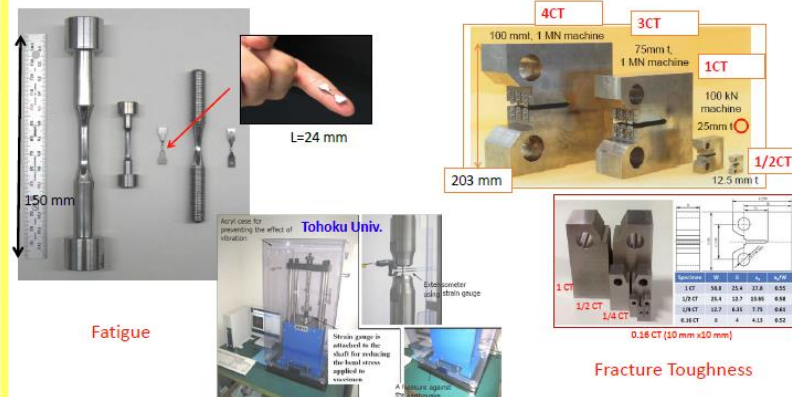


Fatigue matches standard specimens

MPT/P5-25

E. Wakai et al., *Small Specimen Test Technology Develop. towards Design of Fusion DEMO Reactors and Future Direction Plan*

Short Summary of SSTT Subject in IFMIF/EVEDA Project



IAEA's Coordinated Research Project launched
'Towards standardization of SSTT for Fusion applications'



5th concern: Beam – Li target interaction

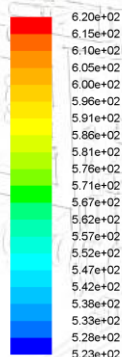
Design of the Li target implements
the lessons learnt
throughout 30 years of studies

Bragg's peak in Li of 40 MeV at 19 mm
25 mm thick screen +/- 1 mm perturbations

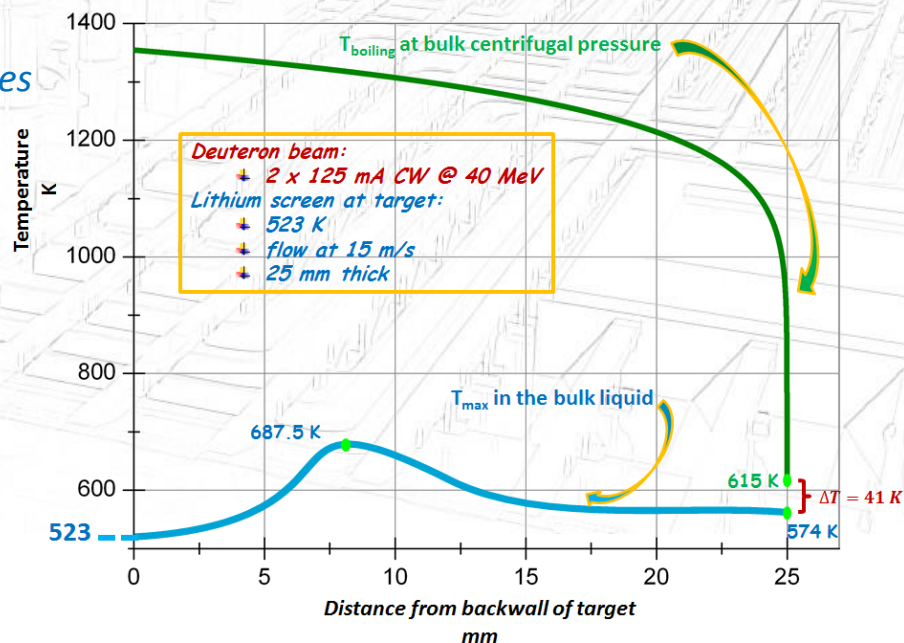
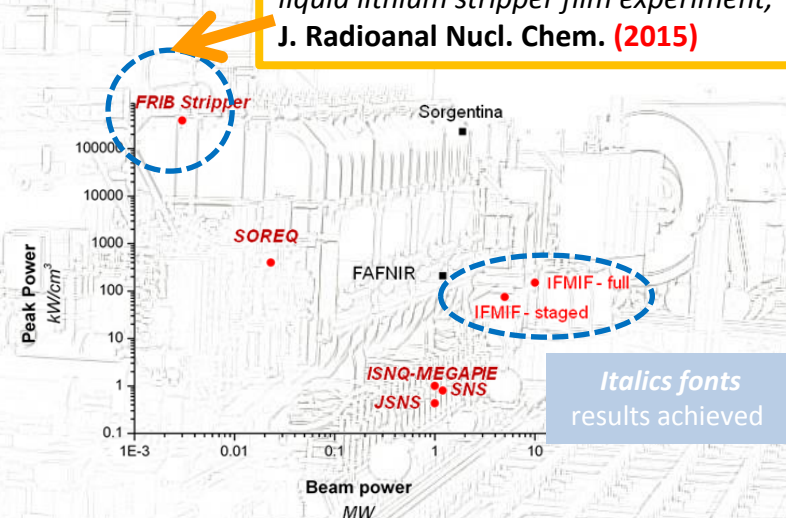
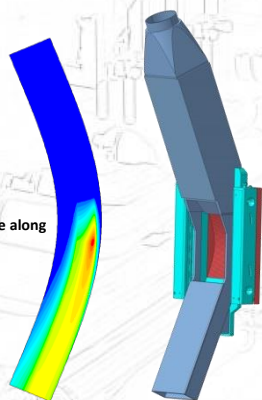
Power density of 1 GW/m² (beam footprint maximized)
~x10 lower than FMIT

Concave back plate leads to kPa centrifugal pressures
Maximum pressure waves amplitudes of 32 Pa

15 m/s liquid Li speed evacuate the beam power
V_{max} = 0.5 m/s of wave pressure prevents resonances

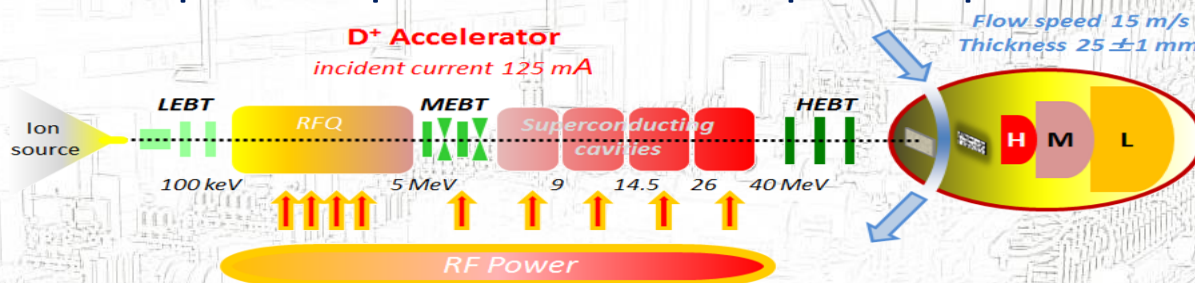


Temperature profile along channel [K]



J. Knaster et al., Assessment of the beam-target interaction of IFMIF:
state of the art, Fusion Engineering and Design 89 (2014) 1709–1716

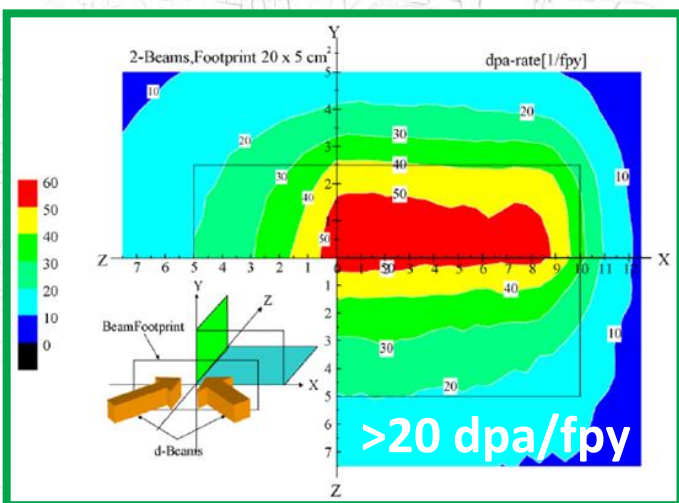
Possibly not
one only accelerator suffices
to cope with present DEMO expected performance



A sensitivity analysis with involved parameters
has been carried out

F. Mota et al., Sensitivity of IFMIF-DONES irradiation characteristics to different design parameters, Nuclear Fusion (2016)

Deuteron energy MeV	n spectrum broad peak MeV	Bragg peak mm	Relative cross section $^{56}\text{Fe}(n,\alpha)^{53}\text{Cr}$
9	~4	1	2.5×10^{-3}
26	~10	7	0.5
40	~15	19	1



The EDA Phase was successfully accomplished on schedule

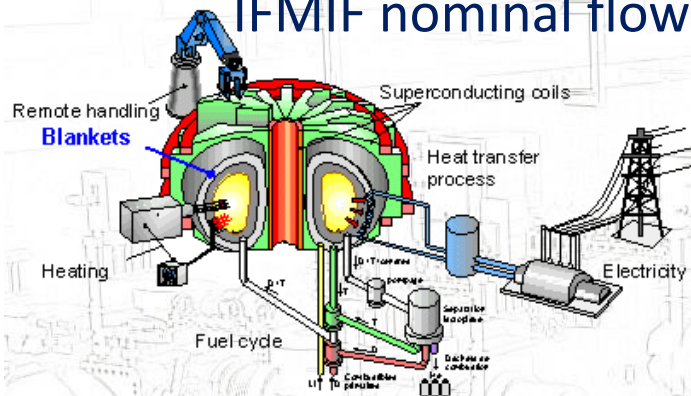
IFMIF nominal flow operational conditions of liquid lithium have been validated

IFMIF HFTM specs have been validated

LIPAc commissioning is advancing in Rokkasho
125 mA in CW 40 MeV deuteron accelerator
is nowadays at hand of technology

The on-going success of IFMIF/EVEDA
allows us to expect counting next decade
with a Li(d,xn) fusion relevant neutron source
adapted to fusion community needs

for a marginal cost of a fusion reactor



Thanks to the EU-JA IFMIF team
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