

Diamonds for Beam Loss monitoring of LIPAc

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Overview

IFMIF, LIPAc: a brief introduction

CVD diamonds purpose

Diamonds as μ LoM^{*}?

- Cryogenic ability
- counting rates evaluation
- electronics

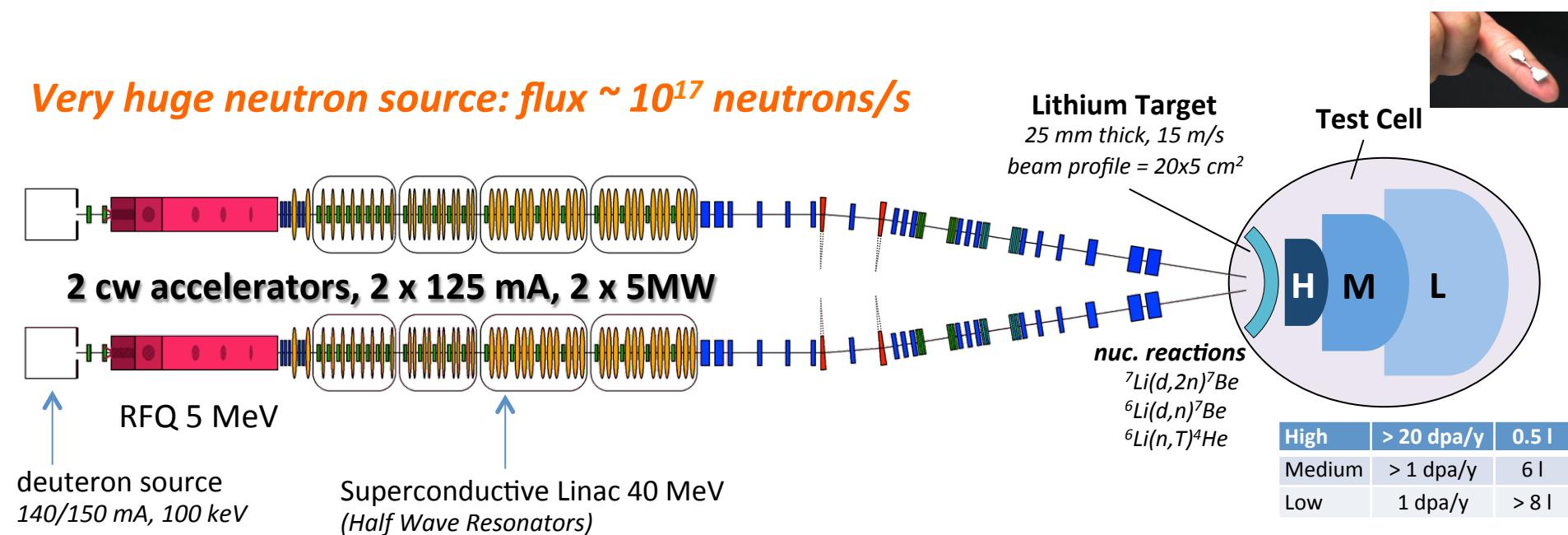
Summary

^{*} μ LoM: micro Losses Monitor

(International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility)

International agreement of the “**Broader Approach**” (Japan + Europe in Feb. 2007)
 = IFMIF + IFERC + JT60-SA

IFMIF* : to test materials submitted to very high neutron fluxes for
 future **Fusion** Reactors.

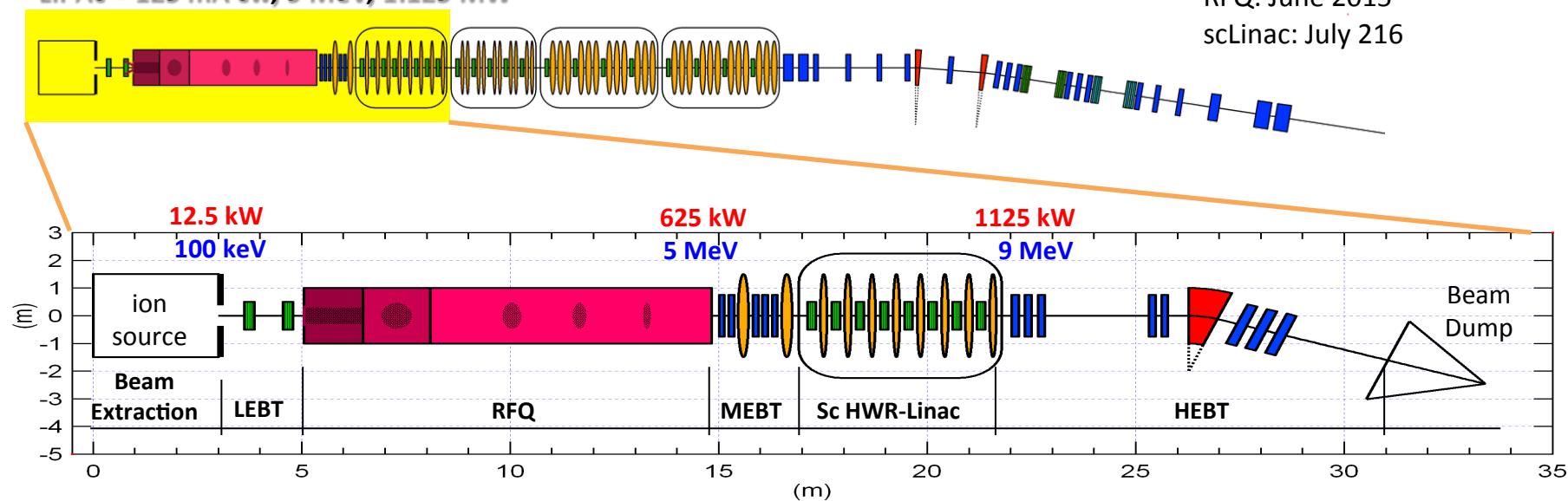


(Linear IFMIF Prototype Accelerator)

Validation phase:

prototype accelerator → LIPAc (Rokkasho – Japan)

LIPAc = 125 mA cw, 9 MeV, 1.125 MW



LEBT / MEBT / HEBT = Low / Medium / High Energy Beam Transport

RFQ = Radio Frequency Quadrupole

Commissioning at Rokkasho beginning:

Injector: March 2013

RFQ: June 2015

scLinac: July 2016

Beam tuning challenge

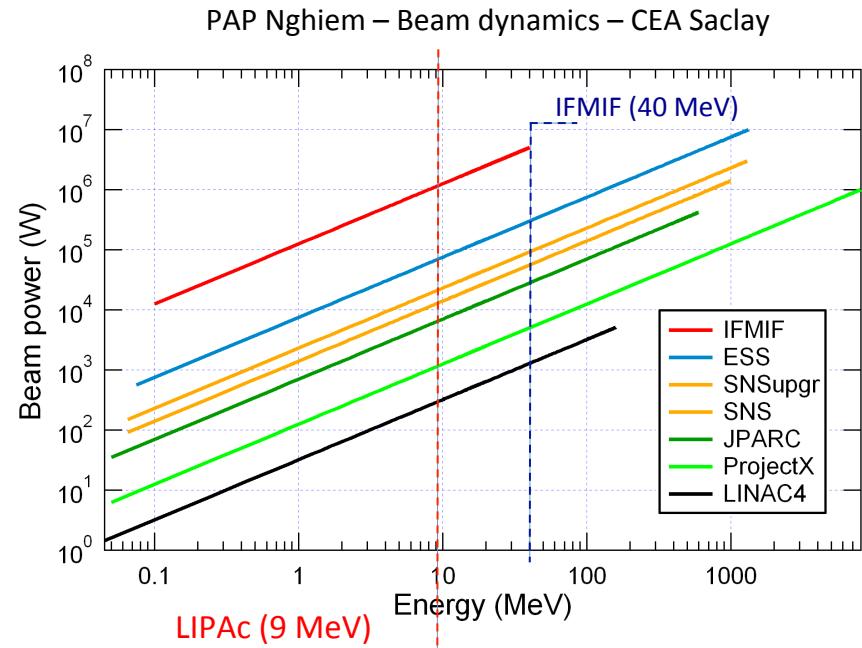
Very challenging machine

- highest beam power
- highest space charge

Space Charge → difficulties for beam tuning (superconductive cavities) ⇒ original proposition:

- not optimizing the beam core
- but, minimizing the beam halo

⇒ CVD diamonds for beam halo measurement



deuteron beam:

$E_{\max} = 9 \text{ MeV}$

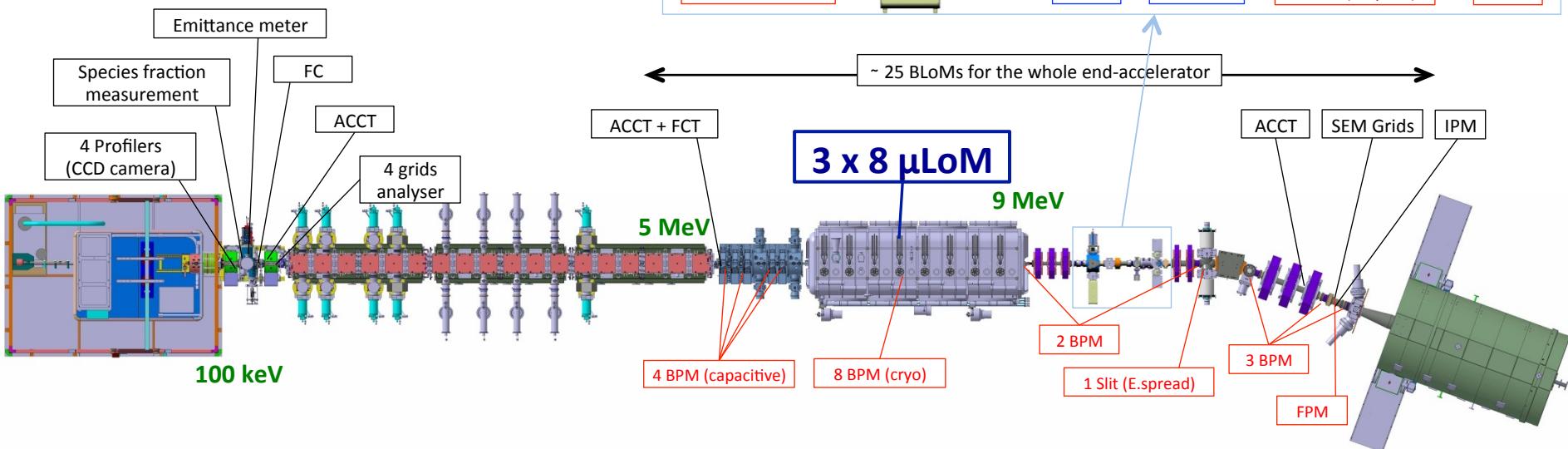
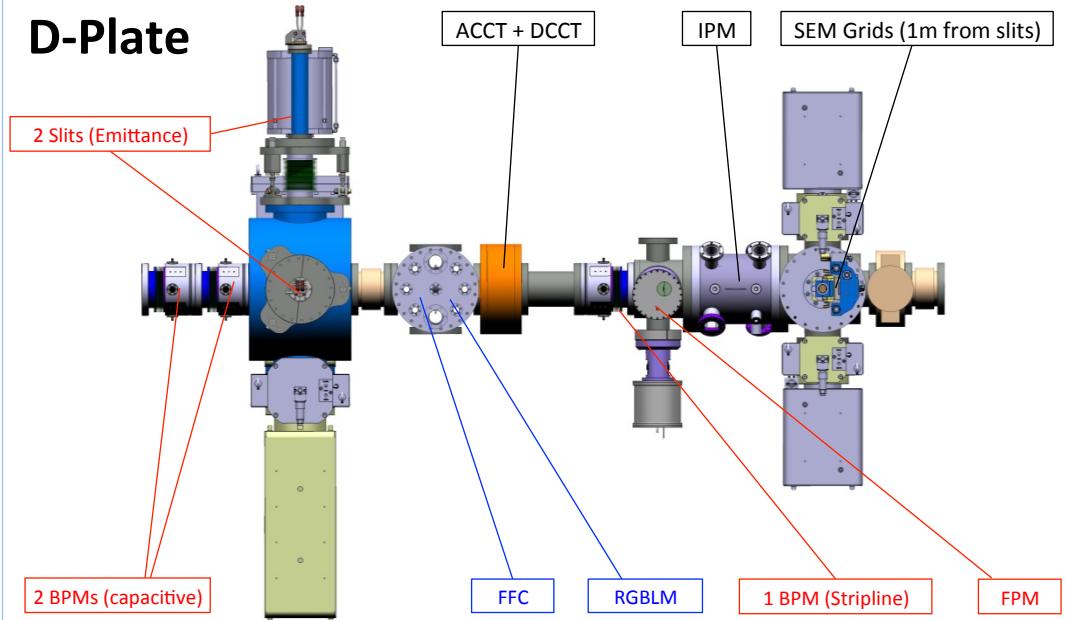
$I = 125 \text{ mA}$

$P_{\max} = 1.125 \text{ MW}$

Duty Cycle: $<10^{-4}$ to cw

RF: 175 MHz (5.7 ns)

D-Plate



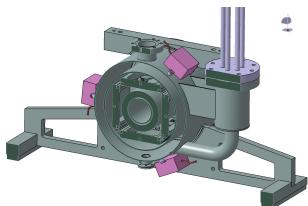
Diamond as μLoM

Ideal micro losses monitor:

- sensitive to neutrons, less to X-rays and γ produced by sc cavities
- reasonable counting rates in \approx minute (for pulsed beam)
- ability to work at 4.5K
- very good reliability (no possibility of dismounting) and radiation hardness
- compromise: single crystalline **CVD diamond** (Chemical Vapor Deposit)

Objective: 3 diamonds/ensemble ($8 \times [\text{cavity} + \text{solenoid} + \text{BPM}^*]$)

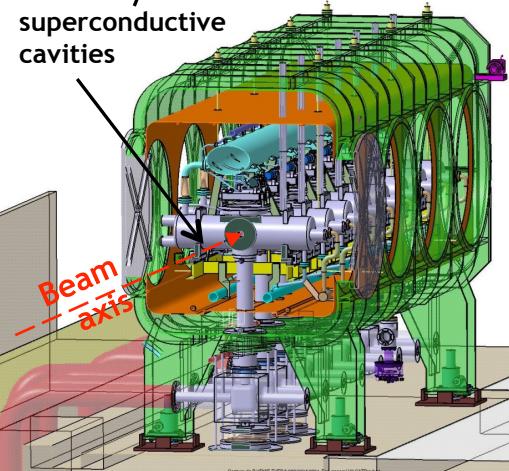
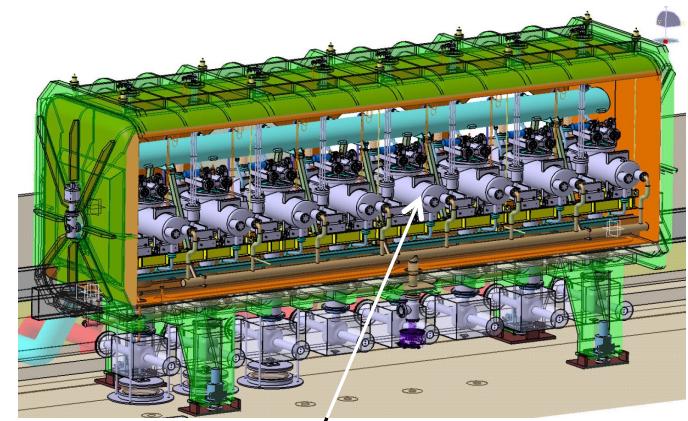
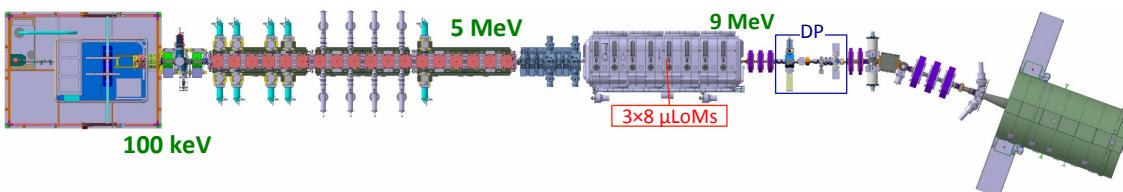
- improve reliability
- better transverse localization



^{*}BPM: Beam Position Monitor

Feasibility study:

- cryogenic temperatures
- simulation for 1W/m losses
- electronics



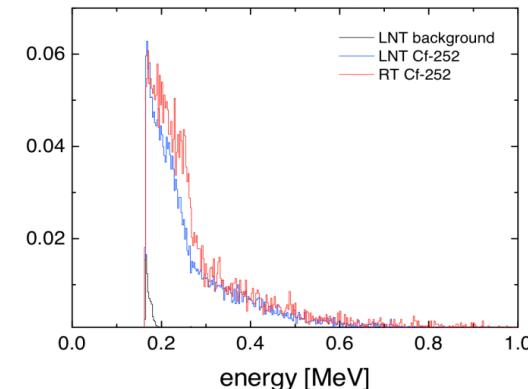
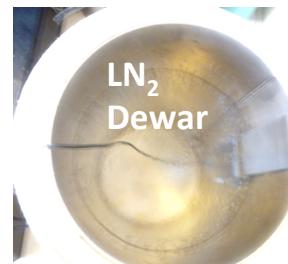
Cryogenic temperature ability?

2010 : nothing was found in literature about diamond at cryogenic temperature

- **Test at 77 K (LN_2) → Saclay, December 2010**

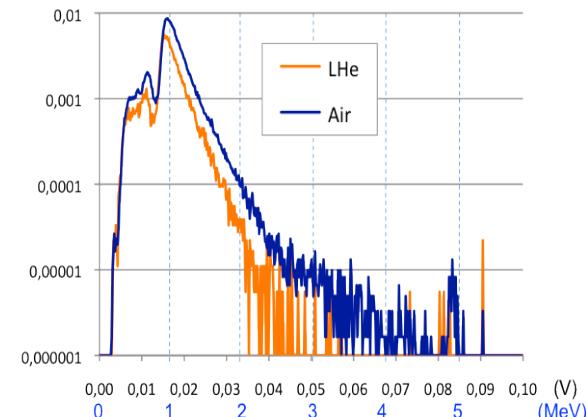
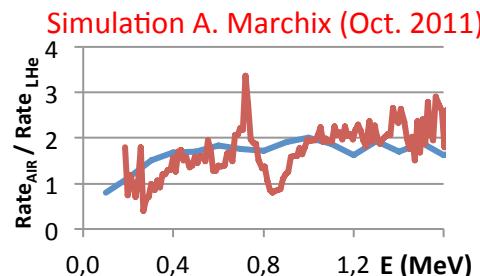
^{252}Cf : “neutrons” and γ
mono CVD: $4 \times 4 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^3$

⇒ good agreement with simulation



- **Test at 4.5 K (LHe) → Saclay, May 2011**

^{252}Cf : “neutrons” and γ



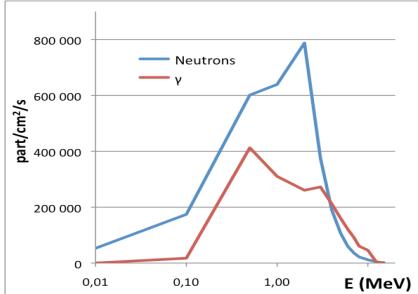
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Results show diamond ability to work at cryogenic temperature

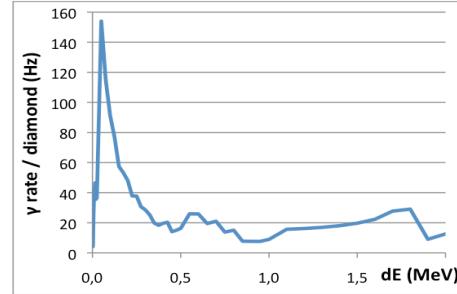
Feasibility study: counting rates

Rate versus the electronic threshold (keV) for neutron & γ (calculated for 1W/m beam energy losses)

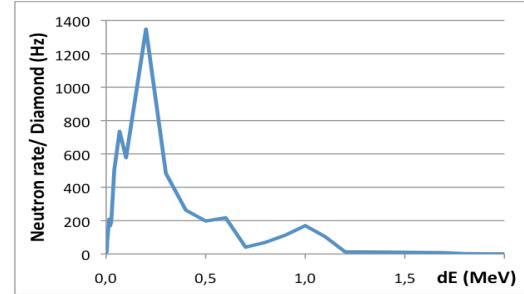
Incident neutron & γ spectra



$\Delta E \gamma$ spectrum in diamond



ΔE neutron spectrum in diamond



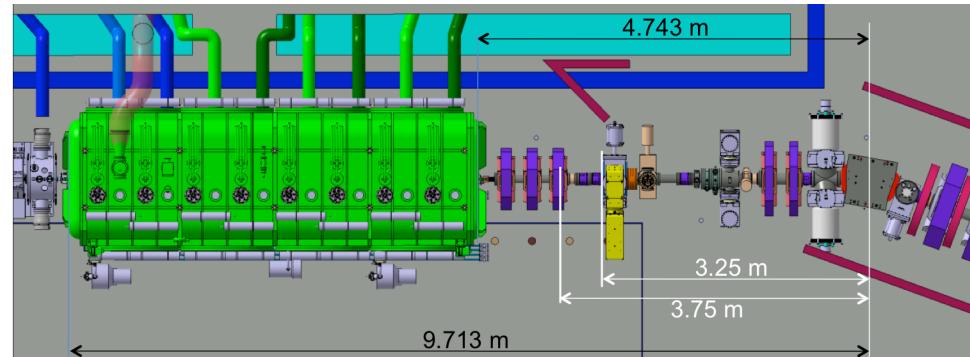
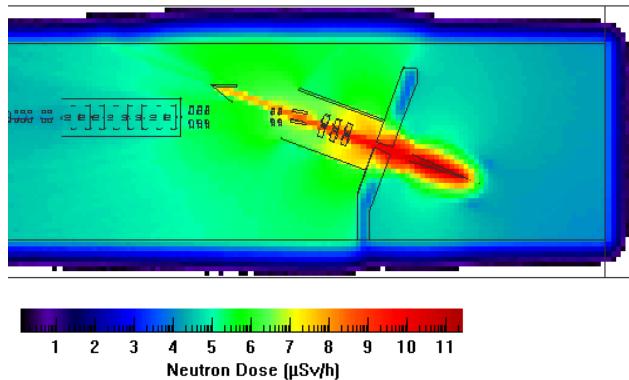
Simulation MCNPX, A. Marchix (Oct. 2011)

Threshold	$\gamma + n$	
	Continuous beam	pulsed beam: 1 ms/s
keV	kHz	counts/mn
100	4.3	258
200	2.7	162
300	2.1	126

diamond:

- $4 \times 4 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^3$
- $3 \times 3 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^3$ (active size)

Vault background \rightarrow negligible versus 1 W/m loss contribution



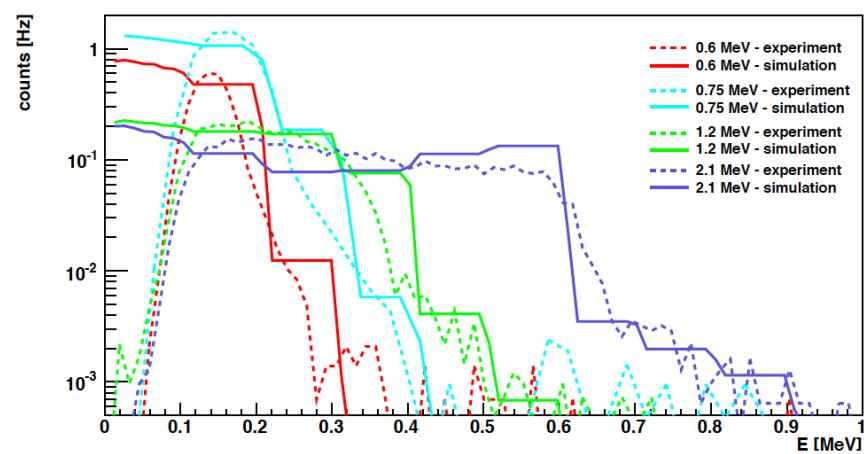
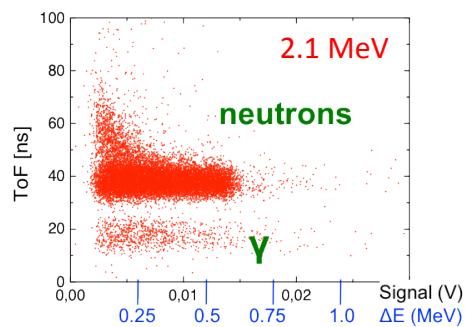
Experimental counting rates validation

Neutron tests made with a Van de Graaff (CEA Bruyères-le-Châtel):

$E_n = 0.2, 0.6, 0.75, 1.2, 2.1, 3.65, 6, 16 \text{ MeV}$

Goal: diamond response (energy deposit...), counting rates...
but, at room temperature

neutron/ γ discrimination \rightarrow time of flight



Conclusion

Threshold is $\approx 100 \text{ keV}$, but short cable

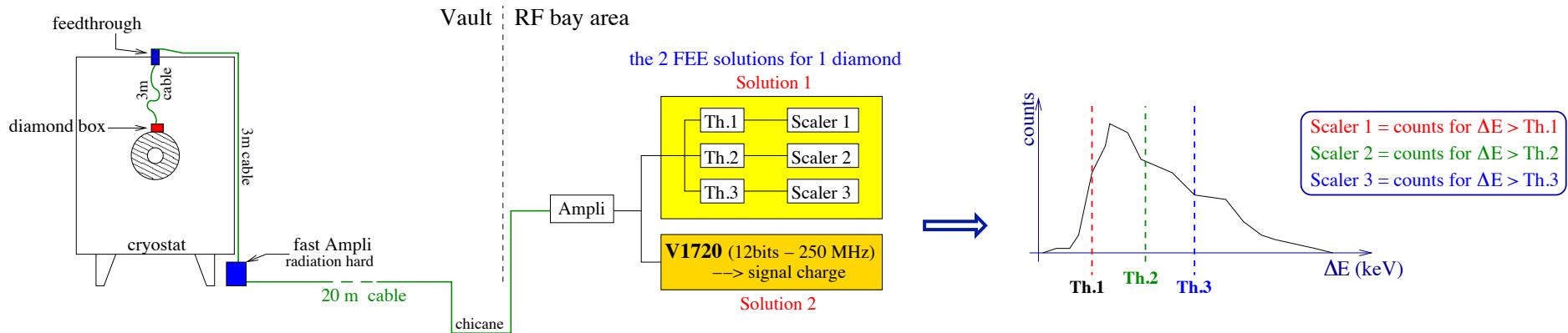
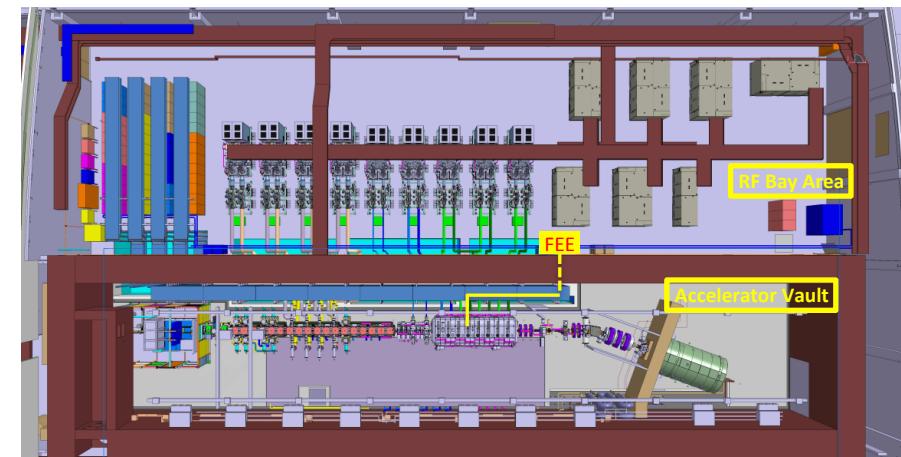
Simulation fits quite well data

\Rightarrow more confidence in previous counting rates.

Front-End Electronics (FEE)

FEE located in 2 places

- Diamond + cable ~ 6 m length
- Fast amplifier in the accelerator vault
 - \rightarrow BW ~ 1 GHz
 - \rightarrow Gain > 40 dB
- Cable ~ 20 m length
- FEE in the RF bay area
 - \rightarrow amplifier
 - \rightarrow 2 solutions
 - counting rates for 3 thresholds
 - signal integration to reconstruct the energy deposited in diamond (CAEN 1720 \rightarrow tbt beginning 2013)



Fast amplifiers

^{60}Co source tests

Diamond + cable ~ 6 m length

Fast amplifier in the accelerator vault

→ BW ~ 2 GHz

→ Gain > 40 dB

Fast amplifier in the accelerator vault

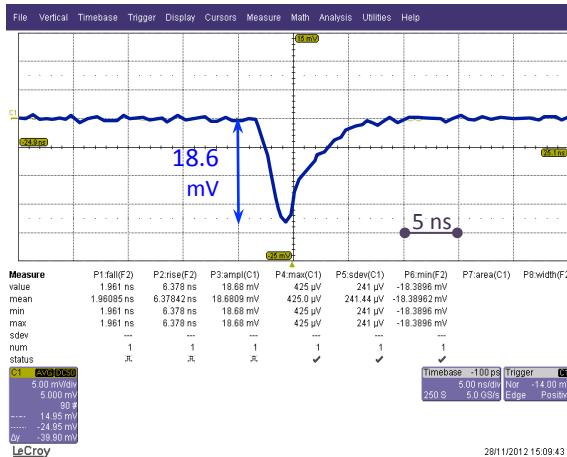
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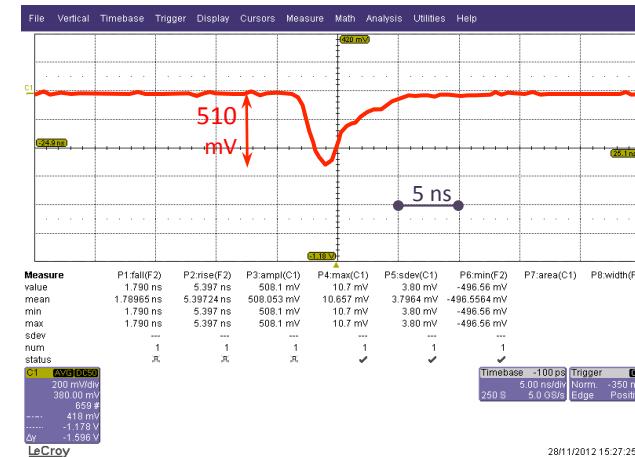
→ ^{60}Co Cividec (noise = -10 mV)



Cividec 40dB ("Vault") + Ampli (ZFL500)

→ elec. noise ≈ -300 mV

→ ^{60}Co (threshold = 350 mV)



Summary & Perspectives

CVD diamonds look promising for LIPAc beam monitoring, tuning

- good neutron and γ sensitivity
- cryogenic temperatures
- quite good radiation hardness
- reasonable counting rates

but,

- expensive (diamonds & electronics)
- diamond behavior in superconductive cavity vicinity (X-rays)?
→ test foreseen in January 2013 at Saclay on superconductive cavity of Spiral2

Next year

Energy deposit calibration in diamond

FFE design completion by may 2013 (amplifiers + daq)

Faraday boxes for diamond implementation in the cryostat (Rf shielding, noise)

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Backups

Diamond signal

$\rho = 3.52 \text{ g/cm}^3$

Resistivity $\sim 10^{13}$ and $10^{16} \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$

$\epsilon_r \sim 5.7$

$\text{HV} \sim 1 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$

Pair e/hole $\sim 13.2 \text{ eV}$

$E_{\text{gap}} = 5.4 \text{ eV}$

$$Q = 10^{-6} \times 2.5 \times 10^{-9} = 2.5 \text{ fC}$$

Pair production for MIP:

PDB (MIP) \rightarrow

$$dE = 1.7 \text{ MeV}/(\text{g/cm}^2)$$

0.5mm thickness

$$\rightarrow \Delta E = 300 \text{ keV}$$

$$\rightarrow 22000 \text{ e}^-/\text{h pairs}$$

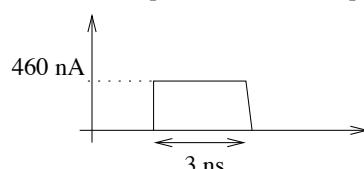
$$\rightarrow 44 \text{ e}^-/\text{h pairs per } \mu\text{m}$$

Rk: find 33!

Events occurring in the center of the diamond

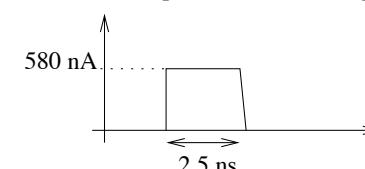
electron signal

(rise time = few ps & fall time = 200ps)



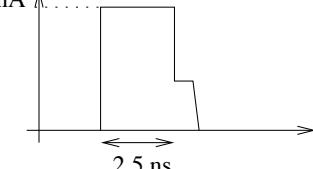
hole signal

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electron + hole signal

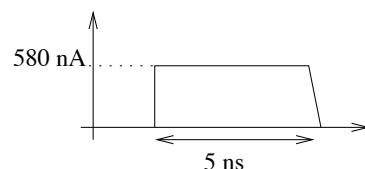
1040 nA



Events occurring close to the positive electrode (electron signal is negligible)

hole signal

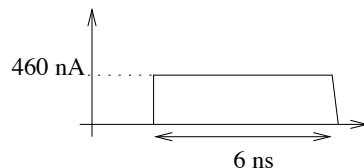
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Events occurring close to the negative electrode (hole signal is negligible)

electron signal

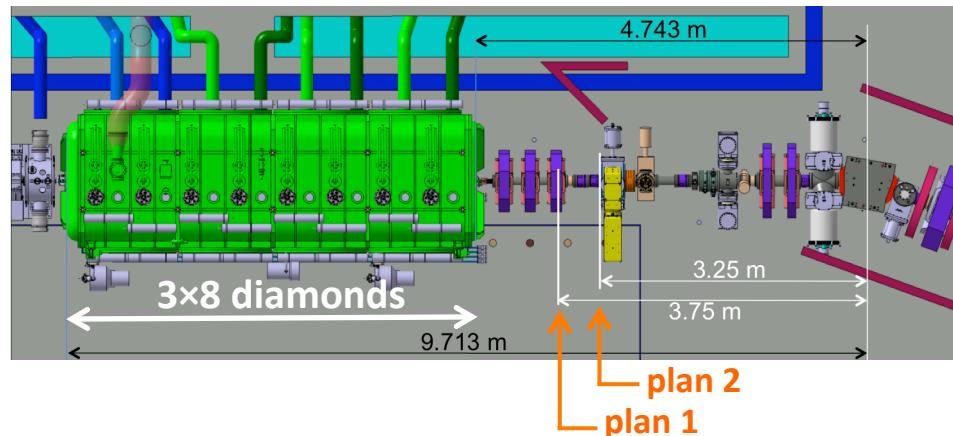
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Note: other events are close to these extreme cases. For 1 interaction, we assume 18000 e/h pairs.

Radiation background counting rates

Radiation background using old simulations from UNED (Madrid 2008)



No data at the SRF Linac,
1 m downstream

Threshold (keV)	Neutron rates (kHz)		γ rates (kHz)		$\gamma+n$ (kHz)	1 W/m
plan number	1	2	1	2	1	
100	0.9	1.9	0.13	0.26	1.0	4.3
200	0.5	1.2	0.10	0.21	0.6	2.7
300	0.4	0.9	0.08	0.17	0.5	2.1

Rate versus the electronic threshold (keV) for neutron & γ background compared to 1W/m

Remark:

- plan2 / plan 1 \approx 2 \Rightarrow plan 1 > background rate inside the SRF Linac
- Background should be stable while beam losses \gg 1 W/m, particularly during commissioning!

Preliminary conclusion: counting rates seems to be reasonable.

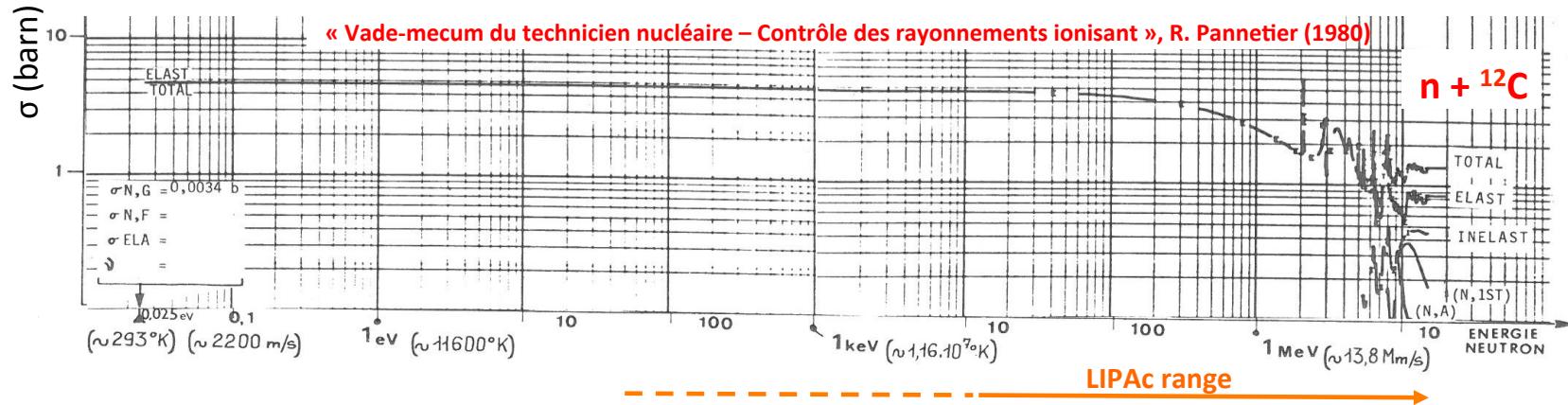
^{252}Cf source & neutron cross sections

^{252}Cf source
decays

- 96.9% $\rightarrow \alpha$ (giving ^{248}Cm with 340 kyear of $\frac{1}{2}$ life - $\langle E_n \rangle \approx 1.42$ MeV with 3.7 n/fission)
- 3.1 % \rightarrow spontaneous fission

$\frac{1}{2}$ life : 2.645 years

Old radioactive source implies less fission processes \rightarrow more γ will be produced from other processes



Simulation with ^{60}Co source

^{60}Cf source simulated response

