Status of the Cluster-Jet Target

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PANDA Cluster-Jet Target Status last Meeting



- Cluster source built up
- Scattering chamber installed
- Beam Dump from Genoa installed
- Optical monitor system in TVC
- Scanning rod system in scattering chamber

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Cluster Beam Stability Final target vs. prototype



Optical monitor system of TVC

E. Köhler, PhD Thesis, WWU Münster 2015

- Partial heating of nozzle
- ightarrow nozzle heater (several wire loops in aluminum holder)
 - $\bullet\,$ Prevent freezing of nozzle \to stable gas flow
 - Unstable core beam was still present



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 $(2.6\pm0.3)\times10^{15}\,\frac{\mathrm{at\,oms}}{\mathrm{cm}^2}$

- Fine adjustments needed
- Thickness in scattering chamber! (Factor of 4 less at IP)
- Higher pressure will lead to higher thickness

- Further adjustments
- \Rightarrow Highest thickness!
 - Beam stability tests
 - Determination of vacuum conditions (IP, Beam Dump...)
 - Transport to COSY/Jülich in summer 2017

Cluster source Laval nozzle 25 m Scattering chamber PANDA IP Beam dump 0.57 m