

# Plasma Physics @ GSI

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# Facilities for Heavy Ions at GSI

linear accelerator  
UNILAC



M-branch UNILAC

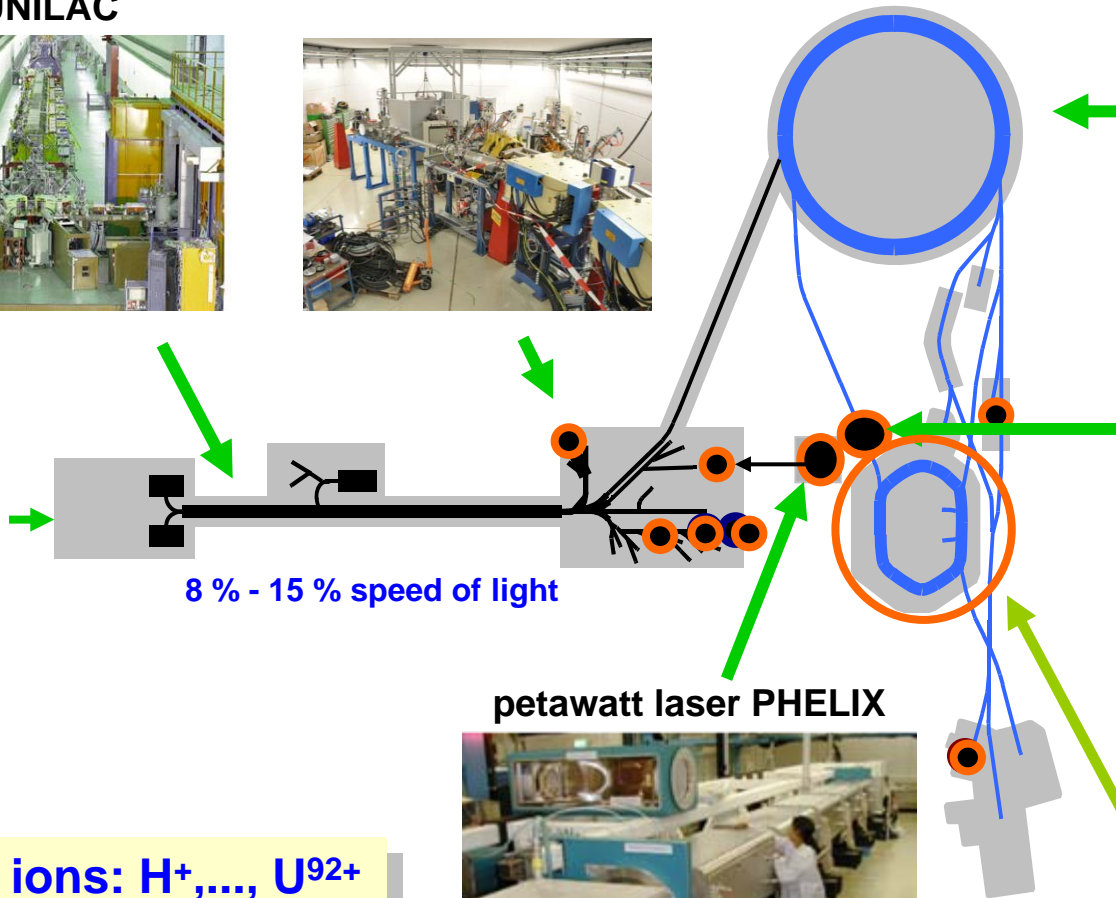
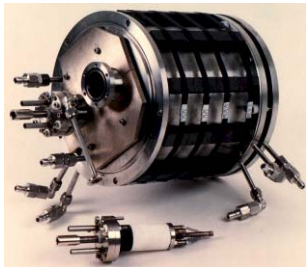


up to 90 % speed of light



heavy-ion synchrotron SIS

ion sources



8 % - 15 % speed of light

petawatt laser PHELIX



ion trap facility HITRAP



storage ring ESR

Accelerated ions:  $H^+$ , ...,  $U^{92+}$

# APPA Collaborations

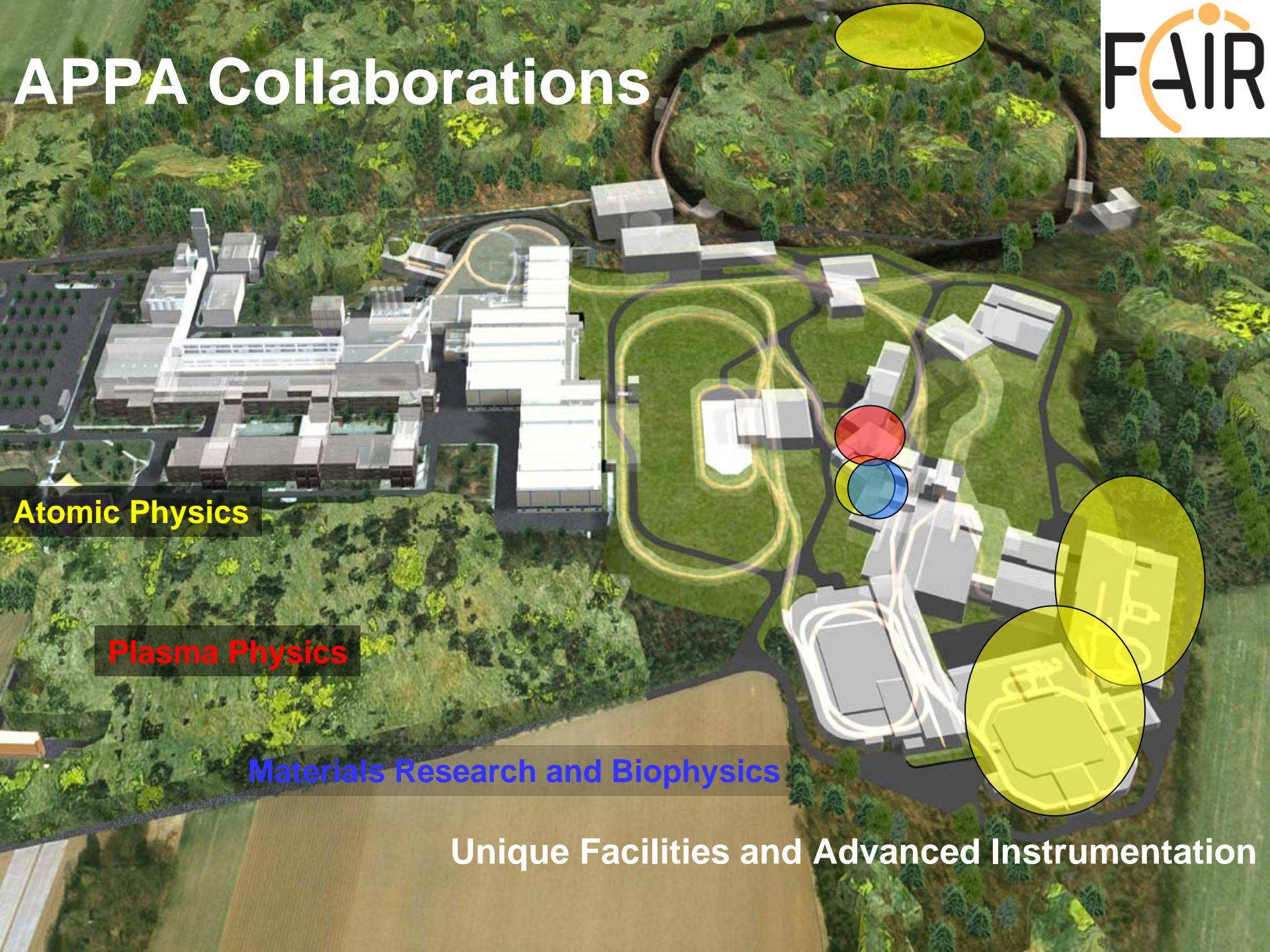


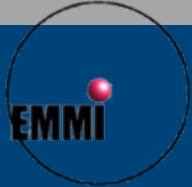
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**Plasma Physics**

**Materials Research and Biophysics**

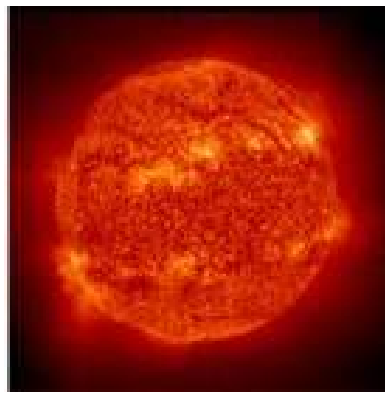
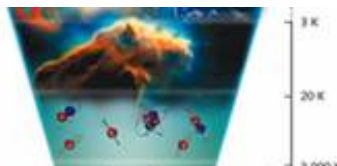
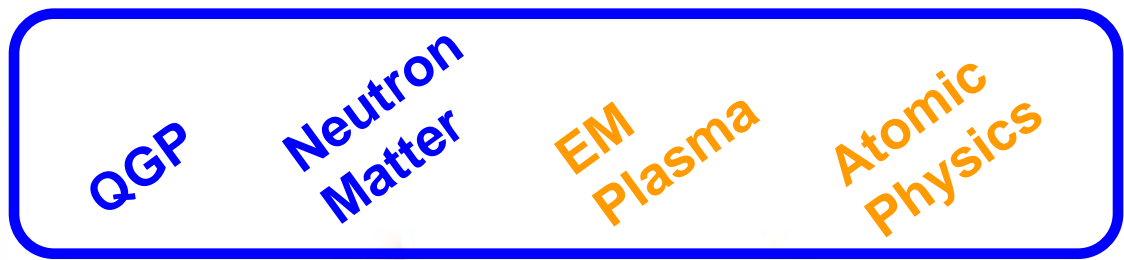
**Unique Facilities and Advanced Instrumentation**



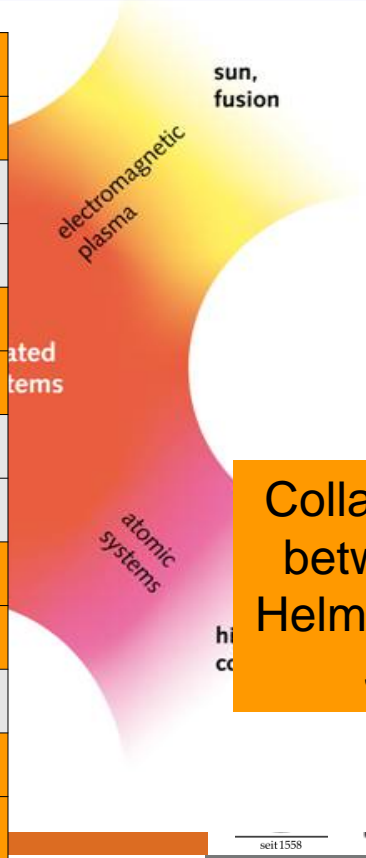


# Helmholtz Alliance: EMMI

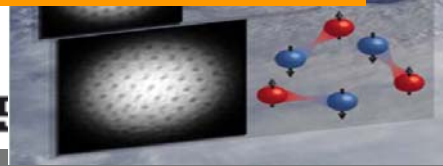
## Extremes of Density and Temperature: Cosmic Matter in the Laboratory



GSI
FZ Jülich (P. Gibbon et al.)
FIAS
JINA
LBNL (W. Leemans et al.)
MPIK, Heidelberg ( C. Keitel, J. Ullrich et al.)
Tokyo Univ. / RIKEN
TU Darmstadt
Univ. Frankfurt (J. Maruhn et al.)
Univ. Heidelberg
Univ. Münster
Univ. VI, Paris (P. Indelicato, F. Rosmej, D. Vernhet)
Ass. Partners e.g. R. Schuch (Univ. Stockholm)



Collaboration Agreement between EMMI and the Helmholtz Institute signed June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010



# Interdisciplinary Aspects

## Research Focus: Matter under Extreme Conditions

Highest Charge States

Relativistic Energies

High Intensities

High Charge at Low Velocity

*Extreme Static Fields*

*Extreme Dynamical Fields and Ultrashort Pulses*

*Very High Energy Densities and Pressures*

*Large Energy Deposition*

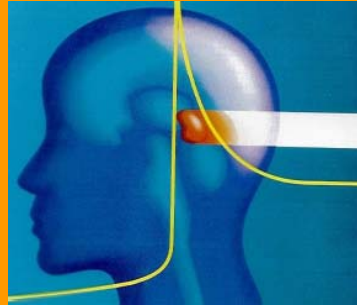
## Contributions to



Energy

**fusion energy research**

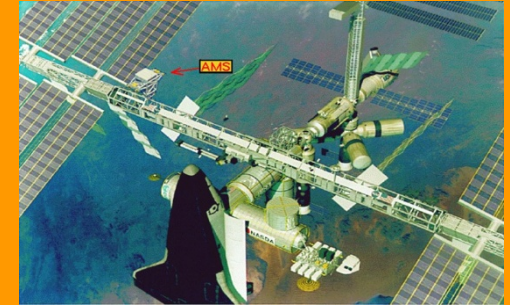
... behaviour of compound materials



Health

**cancer therapy**

... response of cells to irradiation by heavy ions



Aeronautics, Space

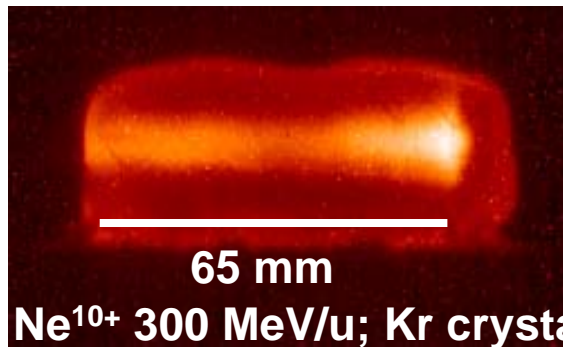
**aerospace engineering**

... active and passive radiation shielding of cosmic radiation

# Creation and Study of Warm Dense Matter (WDM) and of Matter at High Energy Density (HED)

Novel XUV photon sources of highest brilliance and the ions beams at GSI provide complementary tools to study warm dense matter

intense, energetic beams of  
heavy ion (GSI)



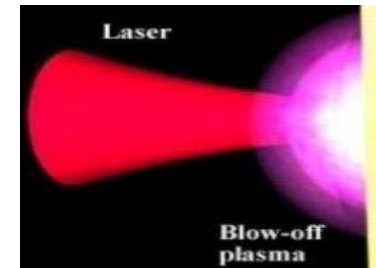
large volume of sample ( $\text{mm}^3$ )  
long time scales (50 ns)  
fairly uniform physical conditions  
any target material

specific energy:  
 $\sim \text{kJ/g}$

temperature:  
up to 1 eV

pressure:  
multi-kbar  
range

photon pulses (XUV) of highest  
brilliance (FLASH)



small volume of sample ( $100 \mu\text{m}^3$ )  
ultra-short time scales (100 fs)  
high gradients  
low-Z target material

# HI-Jena and Helmholtz

European  
**XFEL**

## Helmholtz Institute Jena

**FAIR**



### PHOTONS

Intense fields of real photons

&

### HEAVY IONS



Intense fields of virtual photons

## Helmholtz Center Dresden/Rossendorf

In-House Research  
Atoms, Molecules, and Plasmas

Atomic Physics: The Physics of Strong Electromagnetic Fields

Plasma Physics: Creation and Study of Warm and Hot Dense Matter



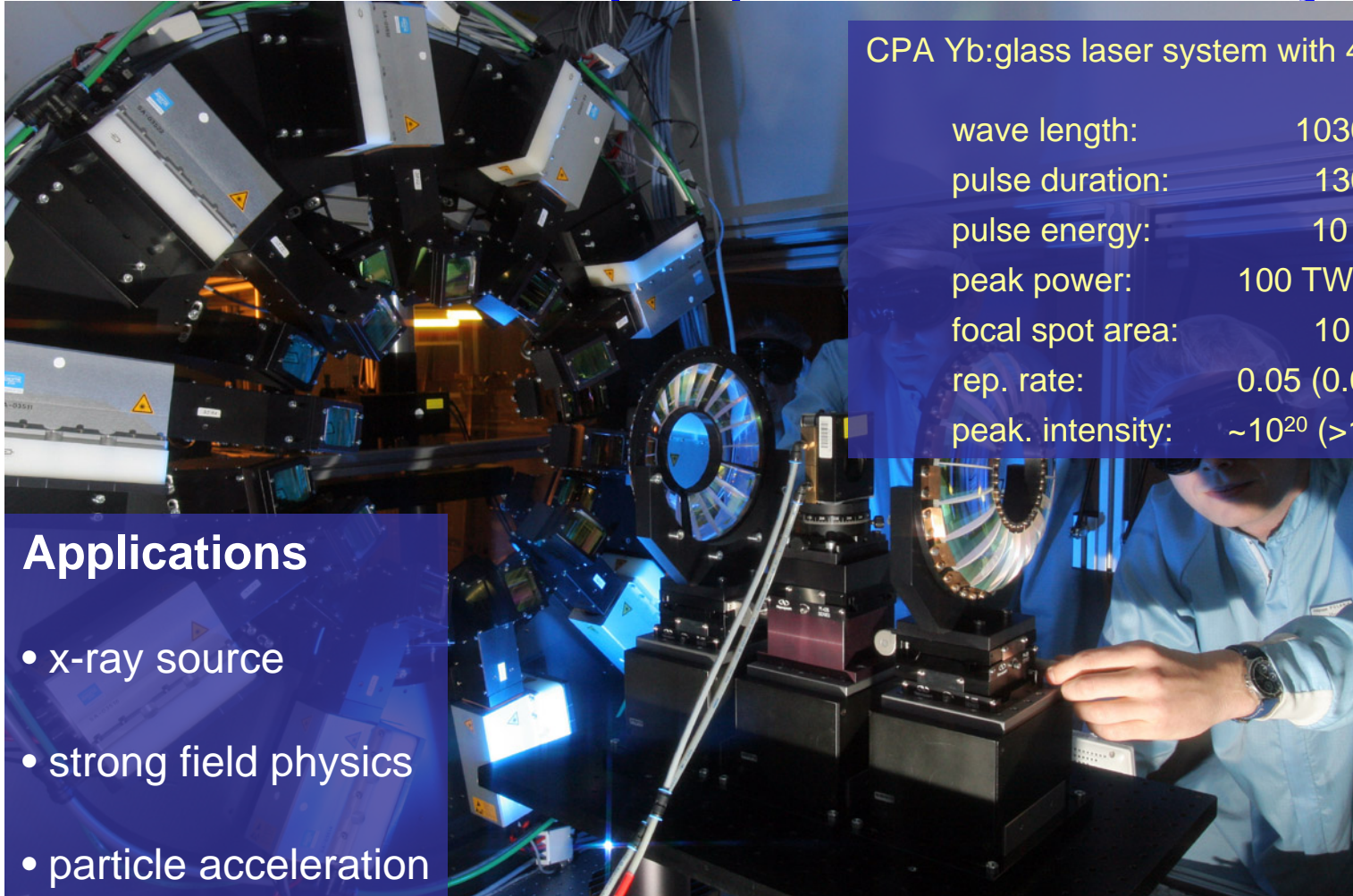
**GSI**



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# High-Power Laser System in Jena

## POLARIS – an all-diode pumped PW-class laser system



CPA Yb:glass laser system with 4 (5) amplifiers

wave length: 1030 nm  
pulse duration: 130 fs  
pulse energy: 10 (100) J  
peak power: 100 TW (1 PW)  
focal spot area: 10 mm<sup>2</sup>  
rep. rate: 0.05 (0.01) Hz  
peak. intensity:  $\sim 10^{20}$  ( $> 10^{22}$ ) W/cm<sup>2</sup>

### Applications

- x-ray source
- strong field physics
- particle acceleration





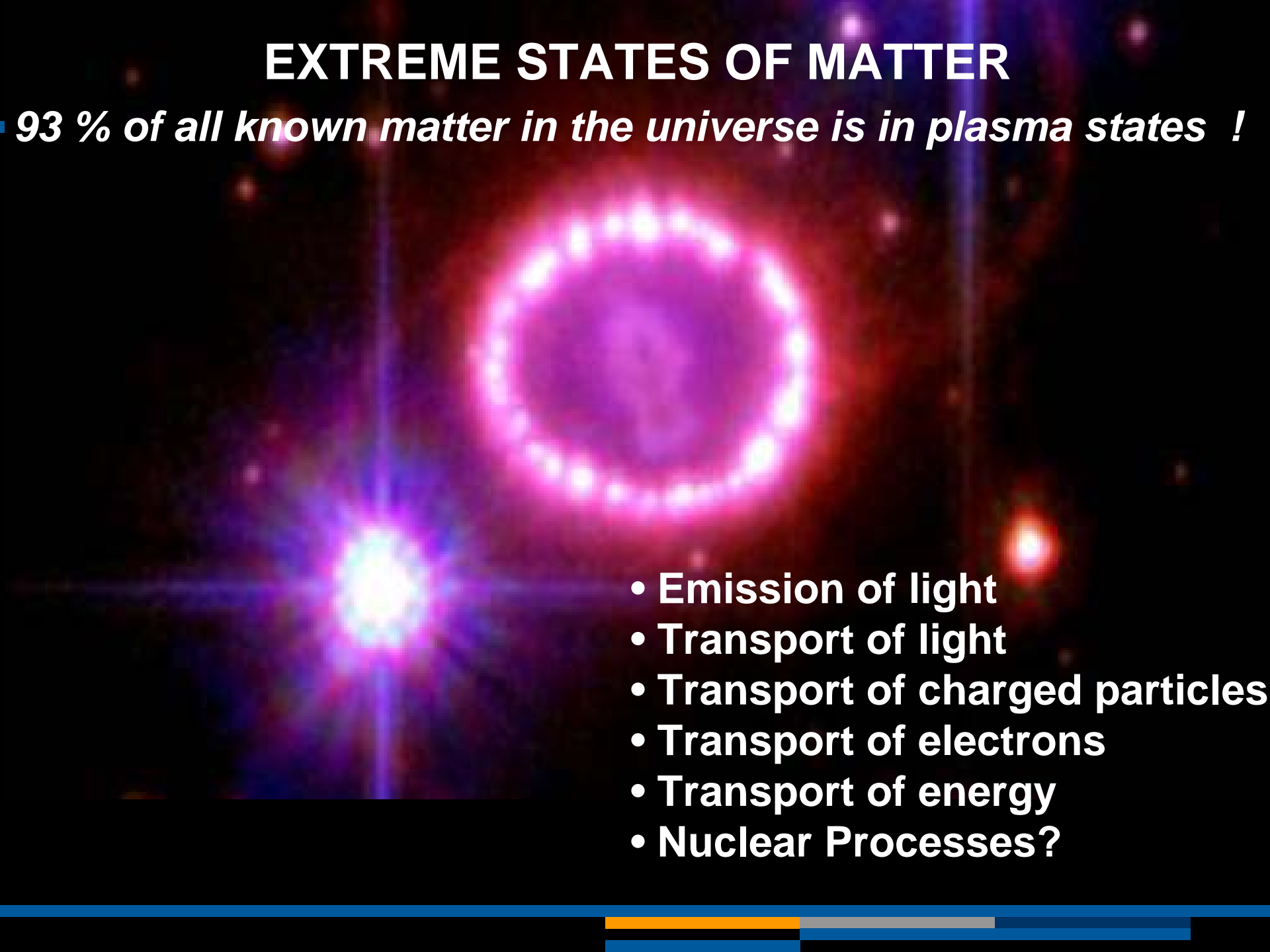
# The Helmholtz Institute Jena

- acts as a competence centre for innovative high-power lasers and light sources
- serves as an interface for future advancements of conventional and laser based acceleration of electrons and ions
- develops and advance innovative ideas in measurement techniques and diagnosis applicable to investigating the interaction between light and matter
- experiments in the fields of the physics of extremely strong electromagnetic fields and of warm, dense matter
- foster basic and advanced education at the graduate and post-graduate level in the field of high-power laser and accelerator physics.



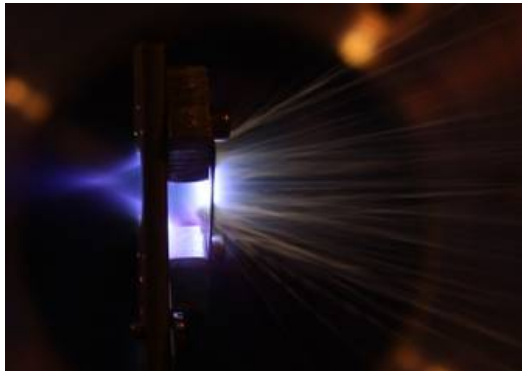
# EXTREME STATES OF MATTER

**93 % of all known matter in the universe is in plasma states !**

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- Emission of light
  - Transport of light
  - Transport of charged particles
  - Transport of electrons
  - Transport of energy
  - Nuclear Processes?

# High Intensity / High Energy Laser at GSI

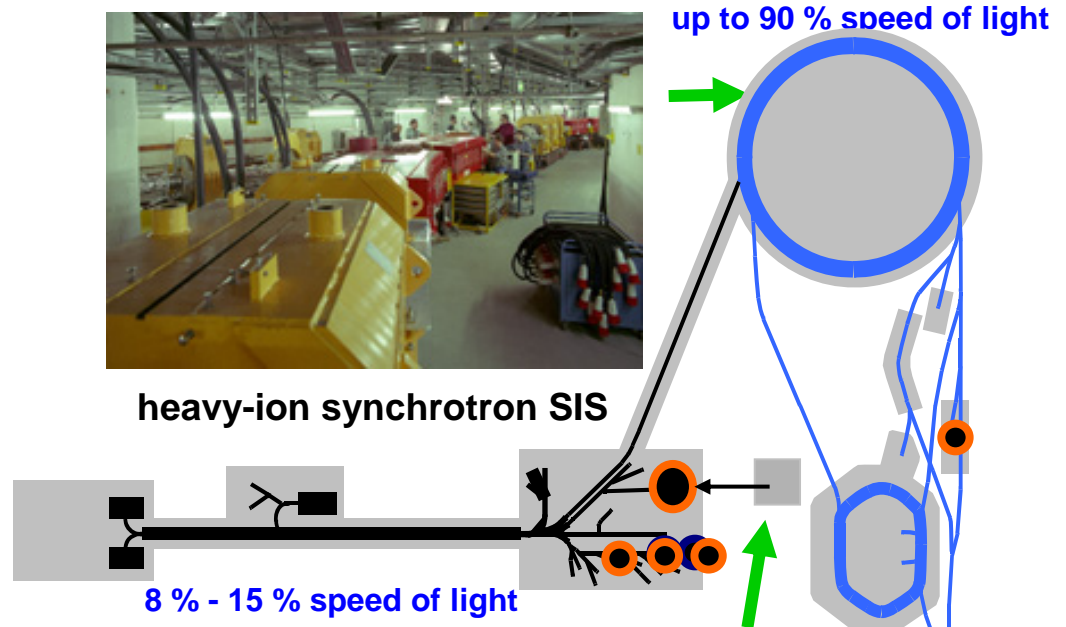
## The PW Class Laser Facility PHELIX



laser heated plasma target



heavy-ion synchrotron SIS



### PHELIX

#### High Energy / High Intensity Laser

Laser bay: 0.5 PW, 250 J @ 500 fs

Z6: 0.3 – 1 kJ @ 1 – 15 ns

50 J @ 0.5 – 2 ps (100 TW)

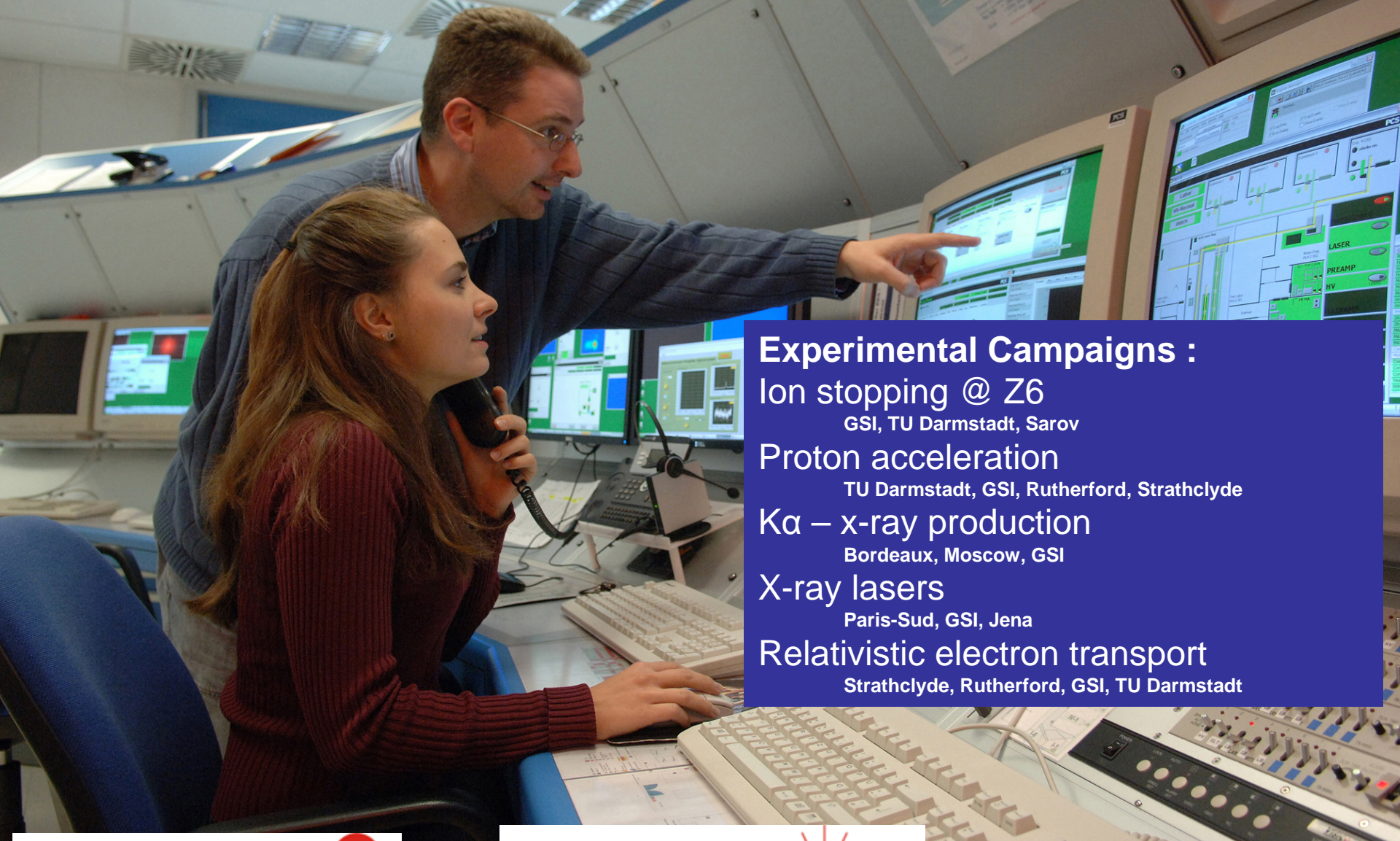
2011: 150 J -- 2 w @ 1 – 15 ns



- Narrow band x-ray source
- Proton acceleration (imaging, injection in accelerator)
- High field effects in highly charged ions



# 2800 Shots of PHELIX delivered



## Experimental Campaigns :

Ion stopping @ Z6

GSI, TU Darmstadt, Sarov

Proton acceleration

TU Darmstadt, GSI, Rutherford, Strathclyde

K $\alpha$  – x-ray production

Bordeaux, Moscow, GSI

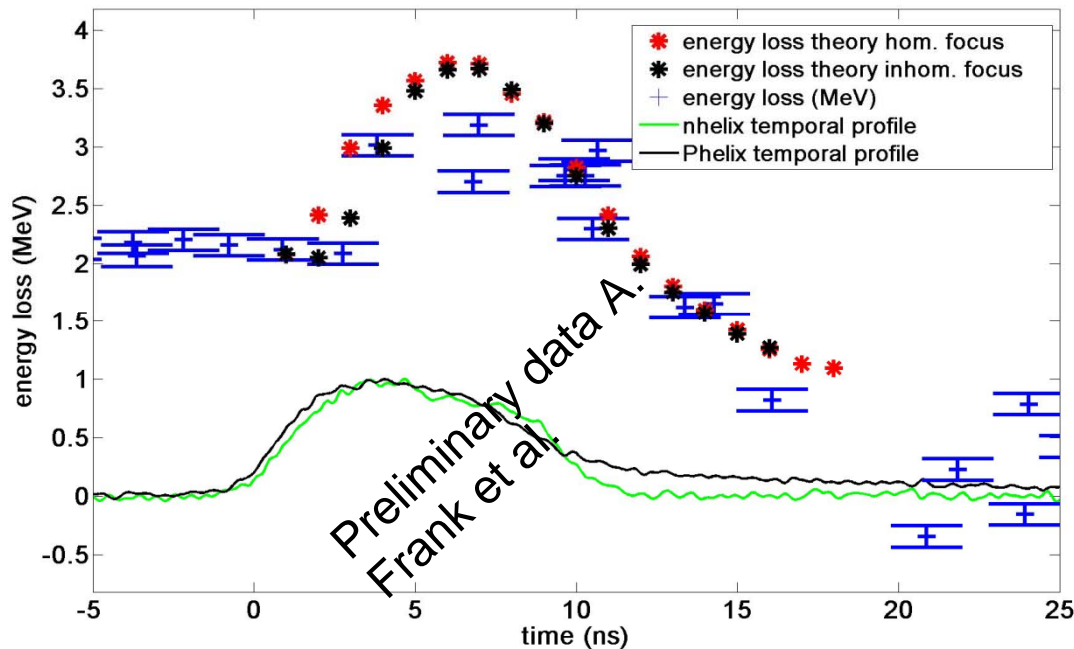
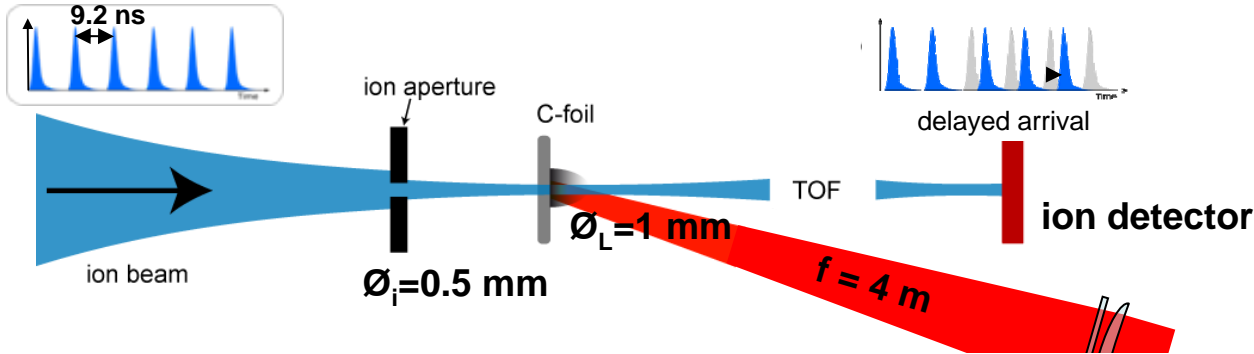
X-ray lasers

Paris-Sud, GSI, Jena

Relativistic electron transport

Strathclyde, Rutherford, GSI, TU Darmstadt

# Ion Interaction with Laser Generated Plasma Targets



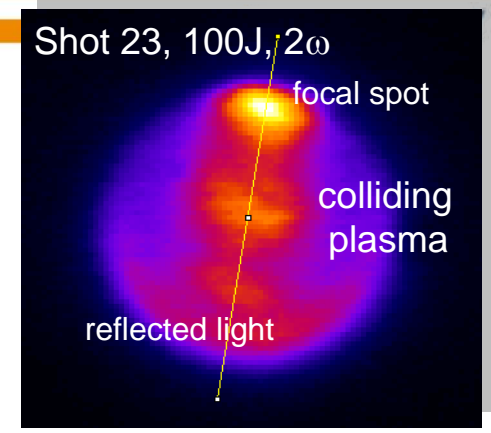
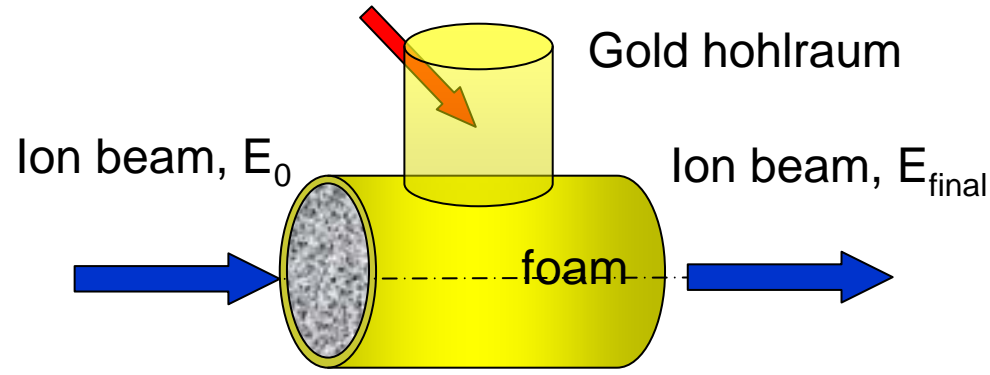
Experimental work by A. Frank et al. TUDa

We have implemented a  $2\omega$  option in order to reduce target instabilities

# Laser heated homogeneous high density plasma for heavy ion – plasma interaction experiments

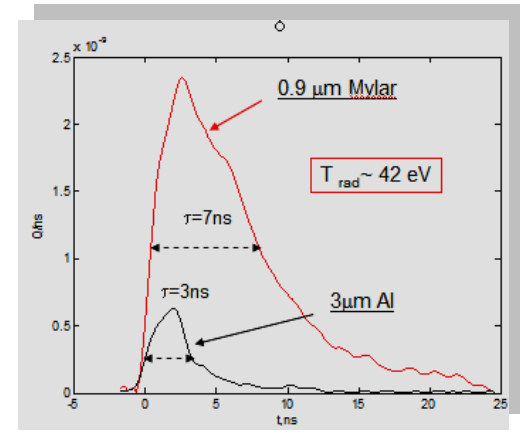
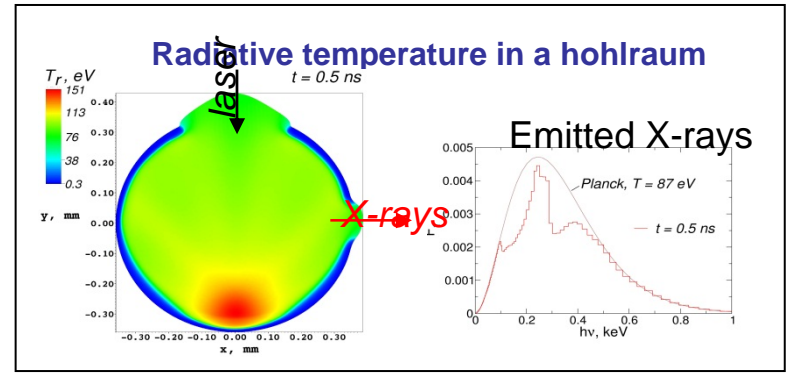
**PHELIX Laser:**  $2\omega$ , 1ns, 100-150 J,  $10^{14}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup>

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X-ray image of the laser interaction with hohlraum wall

Up to 40% of the laser energy is converted into soft ( $<0.5$  keV) X-rays **O.Rosmej et al.**



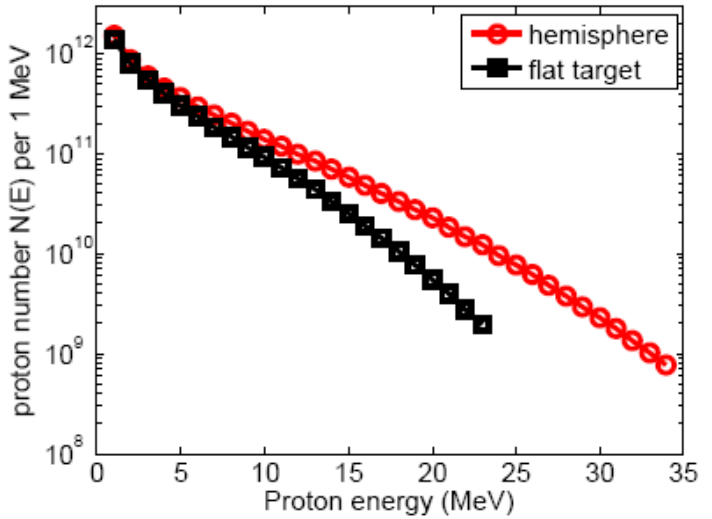
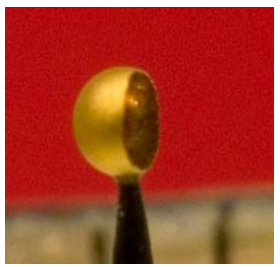
Measured X-ray pulse, duration up to 7 ns

**Good agreement with theory, e.g. RALEF-2D !**

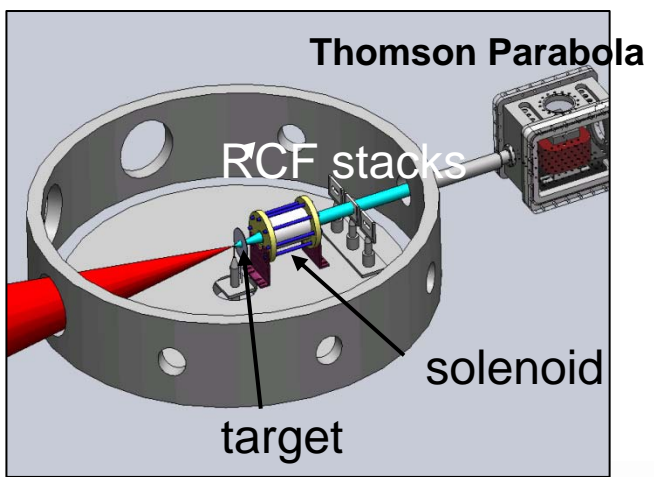
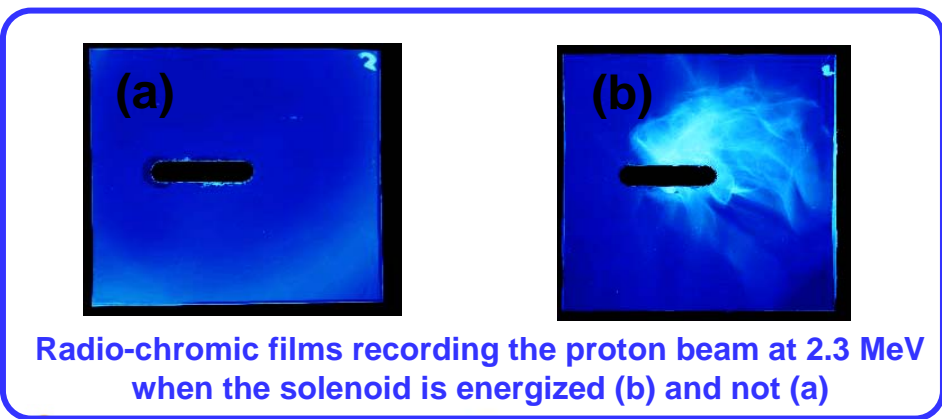
# Significant results were obtained in particle acceleration

- An enhancement of the proton energy when hemispherical targets are used was shown

- Targets developed by TU Darmstadt were shot at PHELIX yielding an increase in proton energy compared to flat foils



- GSI has started a program to couple laser-accelerated ions into conventional structures



# Parametric amplification in the XUV/soft x-ray spectral range has been demonstrated

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ARTICLES

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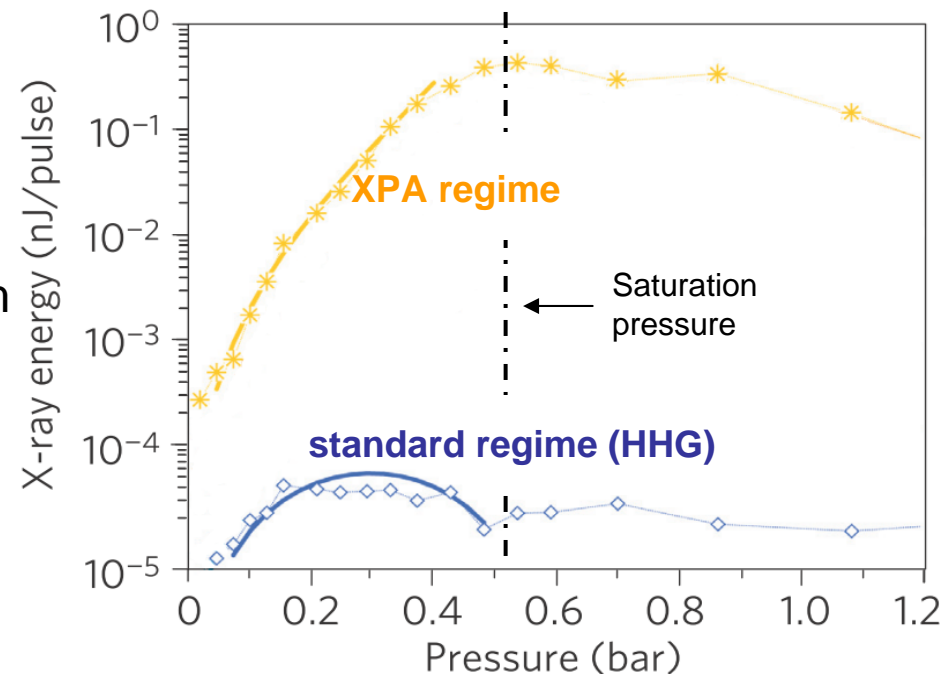
## Laser-driven amplification of soft X-rays by parametric stimulated emission in neutral gases

J. Seres<sup>1,2</sup>, E. Seres<sup>1</sup>, D. Hochhaus<sup>3,4,5</sup>, B. Ecker<sup>3,4</sup>, D. Zimmer<sup>3,4,6</sup>, V. Bagnoud<sup>3</sup>, T. Kuehl<sup>3,4</sup> and C. Spielmann<sup>1,2\*</sup>

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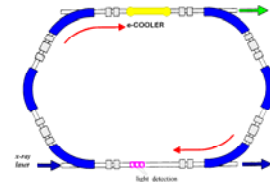
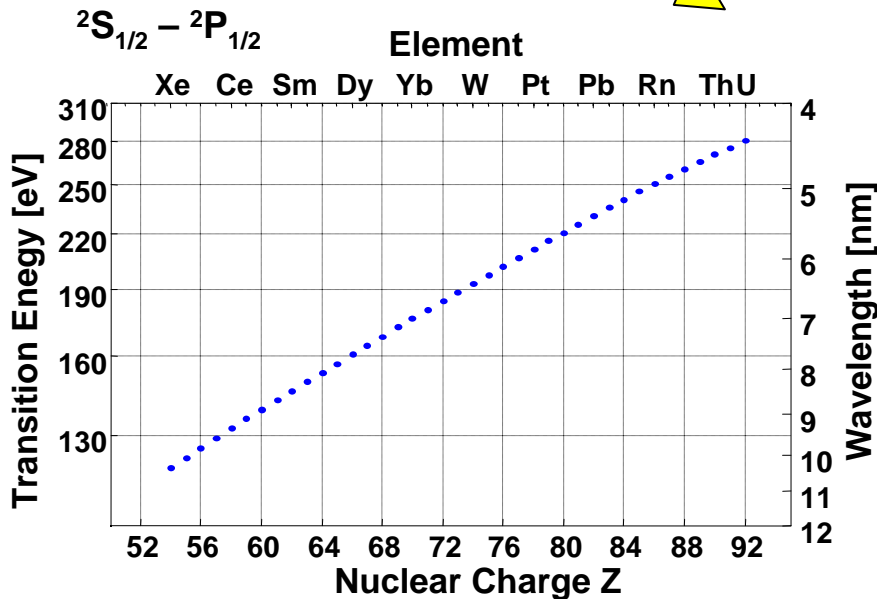
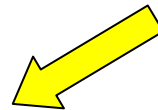
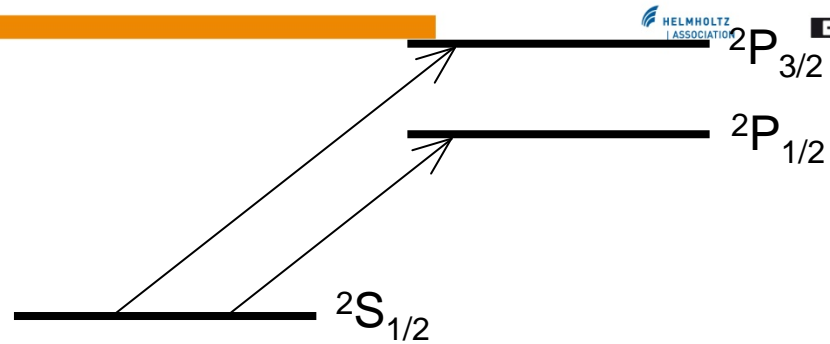
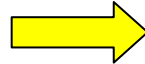
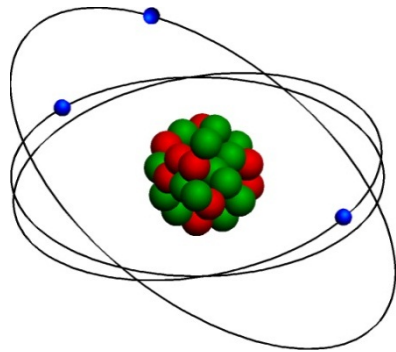
- We discovered an amplification mechanism based on parametric amplification :  
**X-ray Parametric Amplification (XPA)**
- We experimentally observed amplification factors **up to  $8 \times 10^3$**  at 260 eV photon energy
- Our theoretical model describes for the first time the conditions for parametric amplification in the XUV and gives excellent agreement to experimental observations



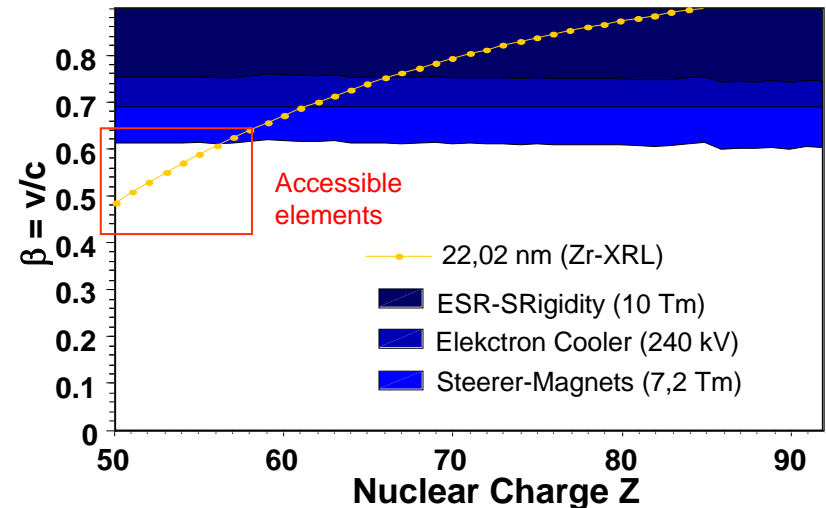
**Experimental signature of a parametric process (exponential gain) in the XUV**



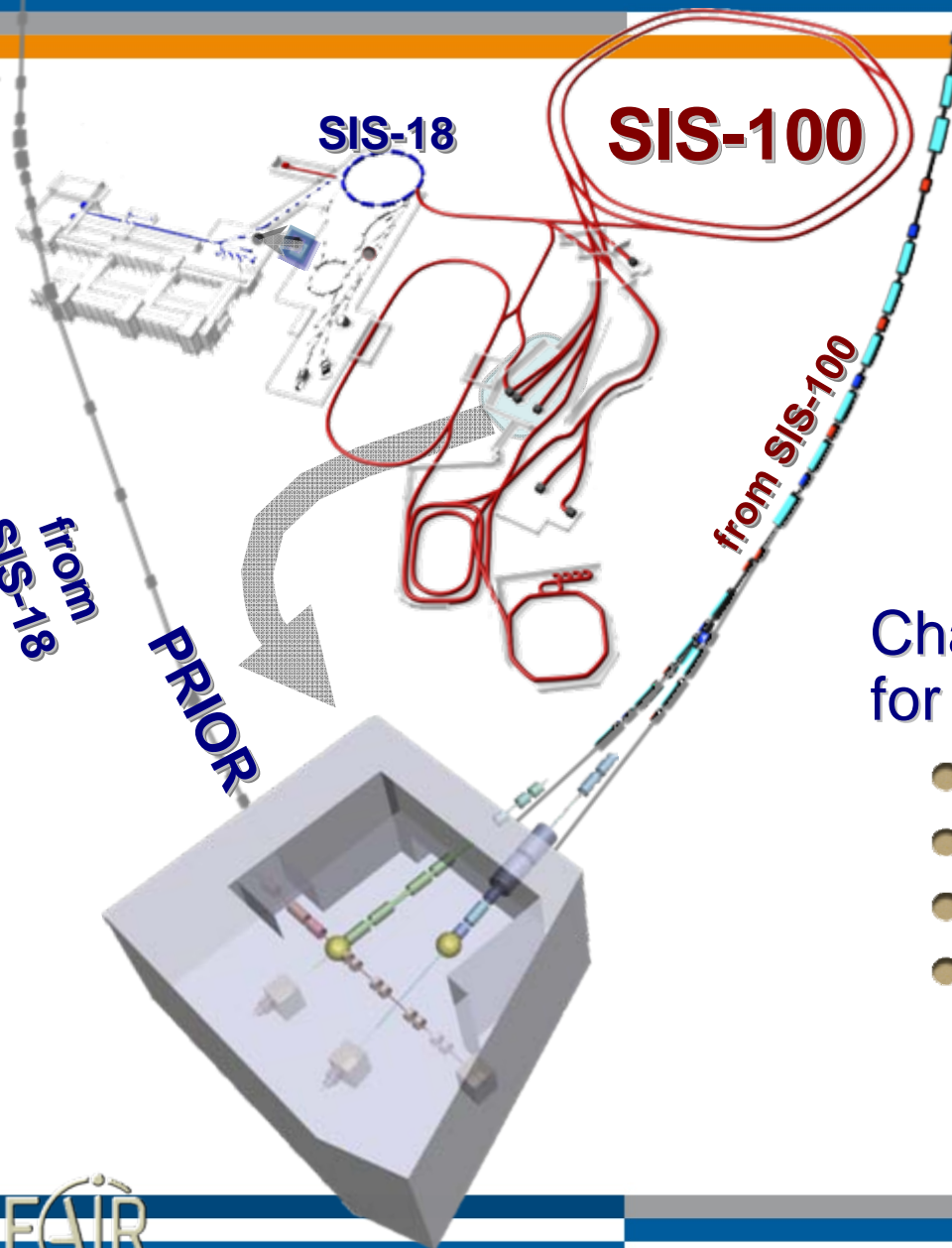
# Lithium-like Ions: Strong Field Physics



$$\lambda = \lambda' \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}}$$



# PRIOR – Proton Radiography at FAIR



At FAIR: a dedicated beam line  
from SIS-18 for radiography  
4.5 GeV,  $5 \cdot 10^{12}$  protons

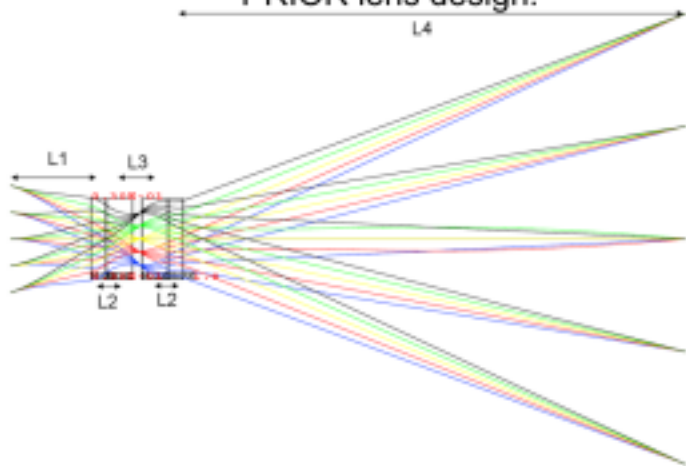
Challenging requirements  
for HEDP experiments:

- up to  $\sim 20 \text{ g/cm}^2$
- $< 10 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution
- 10 ns temporal resolution (multi-frame)
- sub-percent density resolution

# PRIOR Goals

## 4.5 GeV Proton Microscopy

Proton trajectories through the baseline  
PRIOR lens design.



### Lens and detector design goals (in accordance with FAIR pRad specifications):

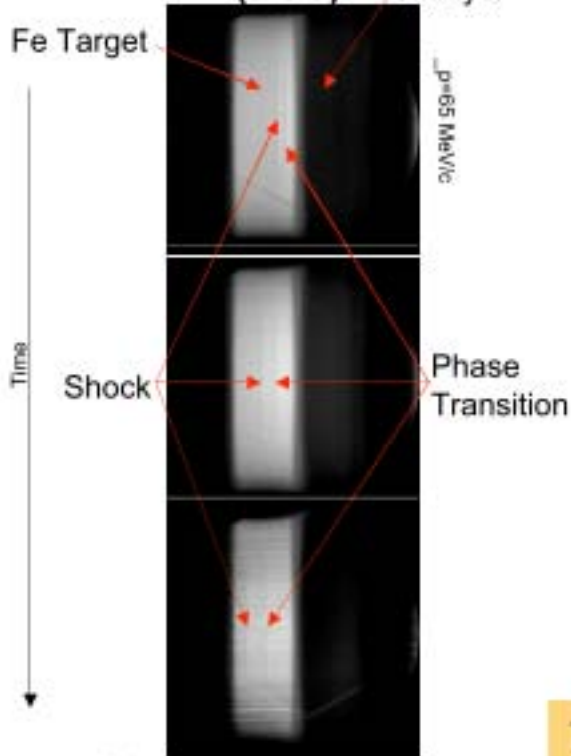
- less than 10  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution;
- sub-percent density resolution;
- target areal density up to 5 – 50  $\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ , high-Z targets;
- temporal resolution <10 ns (for FAIR), <100 ns (for GSI);
- field of view: 20 mm;

### Dynamic experiment design goals:

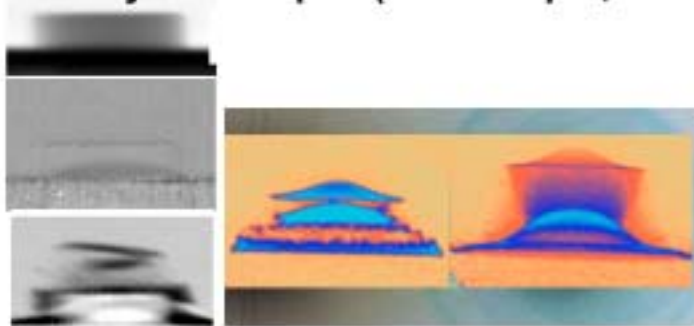
- Multiple drivers in combination with high resolution proton microscopy will provide a unique facility for the study of material properties at extreme temperatures and pressures.

# Dynamic Materials: What can we do today at LANSCE in dynamic materials?

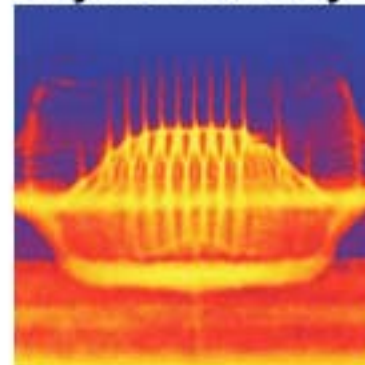
## Internal Phase Transition (EOS) Al Flyer



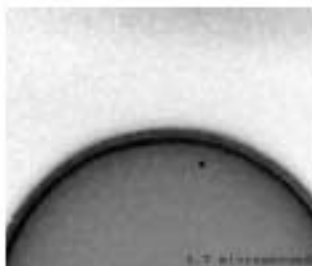
## Dynamic Spall (Sn example;)



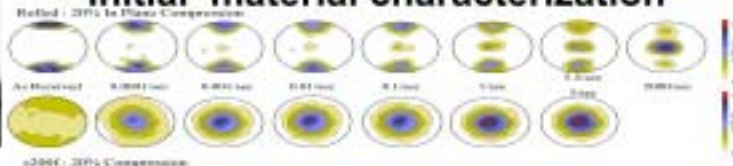
## Hydro Instability



## Dynamic Material Failure

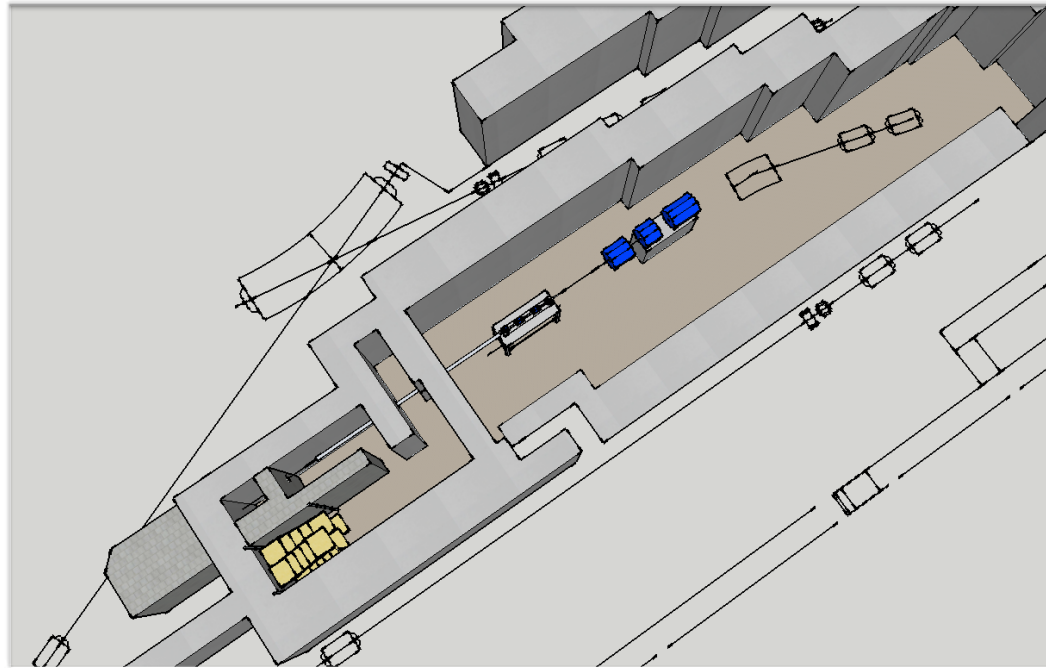
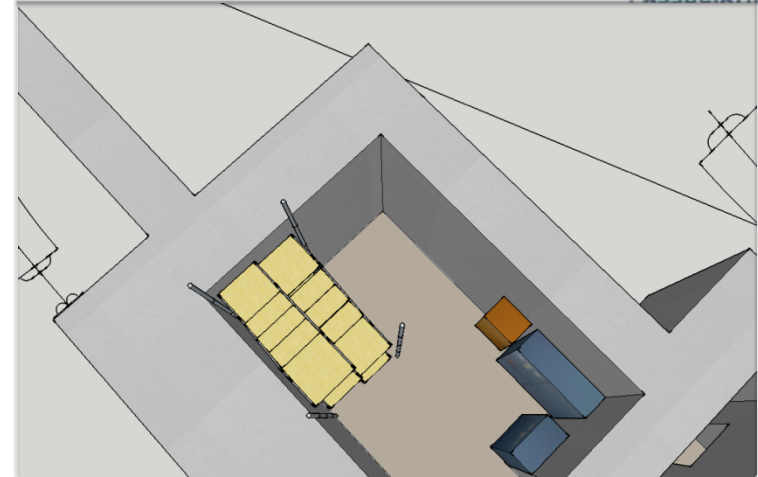
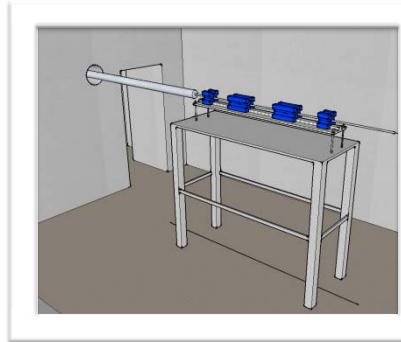
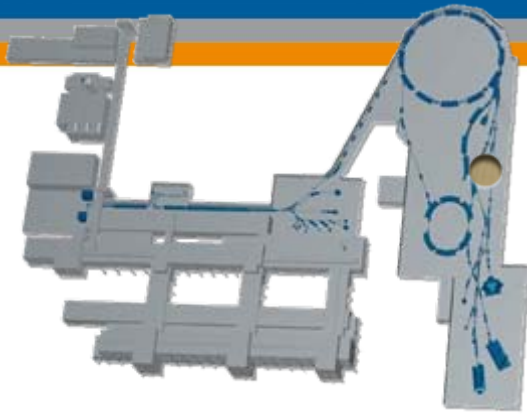


## Initial material characterization



*These studies provide excellent data at continuum scale, but don't address causes at microstructure scale; much more is needed to develop a predictive capability!*

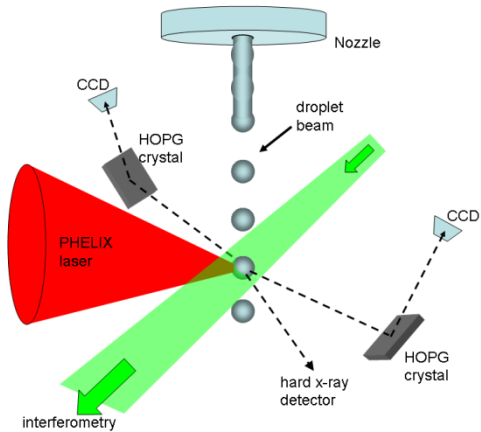
# Fielding at GSI – a minor reconstruction of the HHT cave



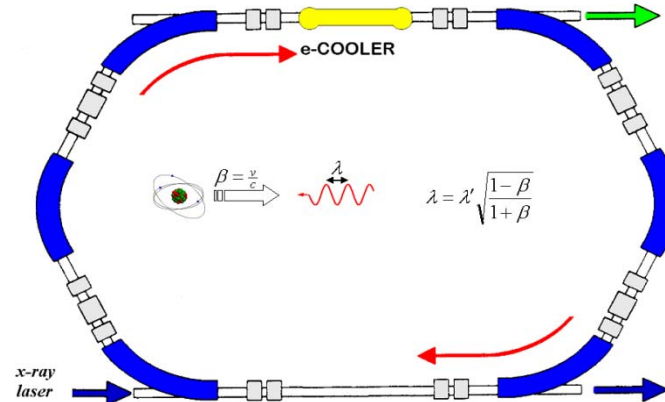
● a compact system but long drift is needed for the microscope

**D. Varentsov**

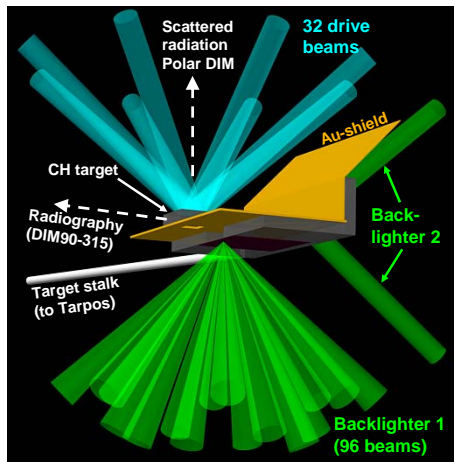
# Future Perspectives



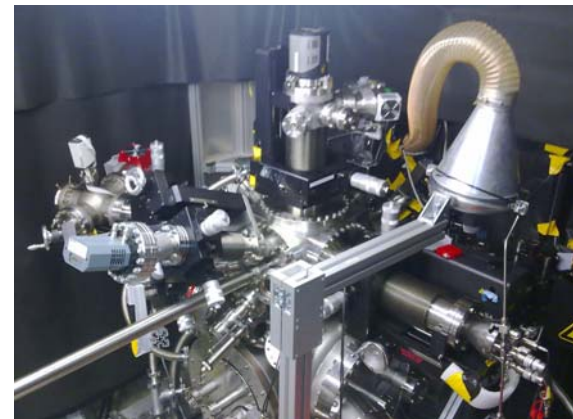
**Droplet target at GSI (Grisenti)**



**X-Ray Laser at ESR/Nuclear Excitation**

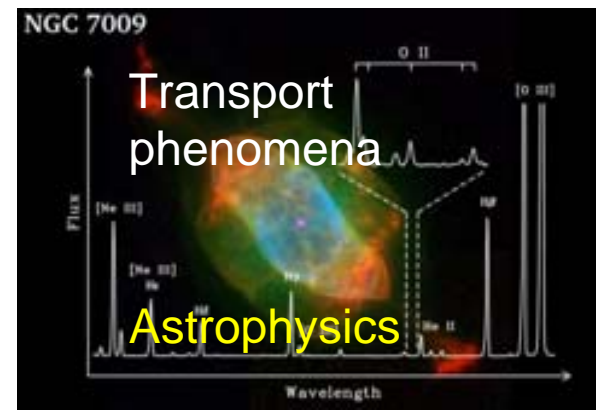
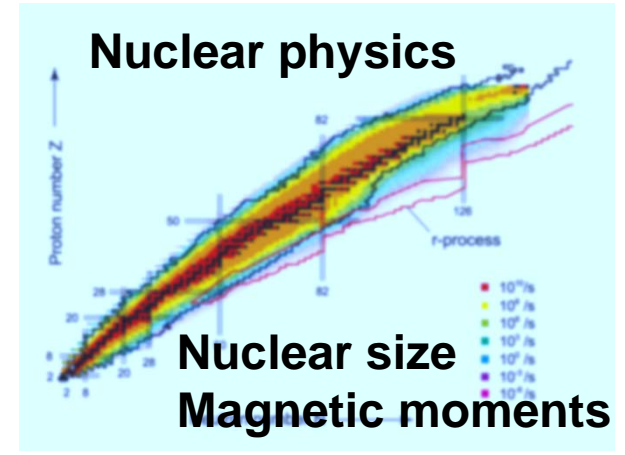
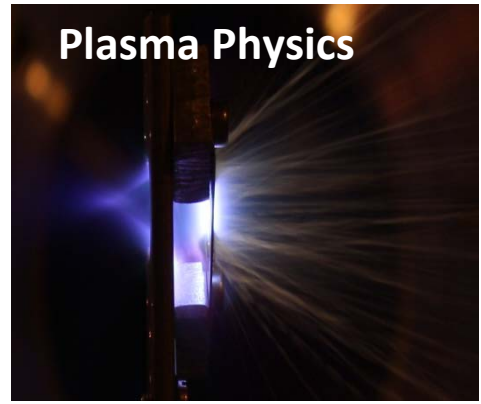
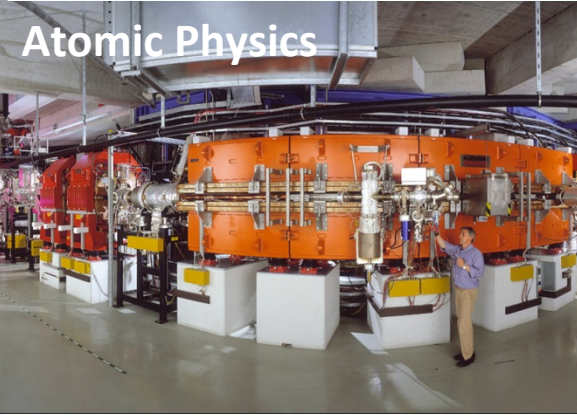


**Accepted proposal at NIF (P. Neumayer)**



**Experiments at FLASH**

# Interactions within EMMI



# APPA Collaborations

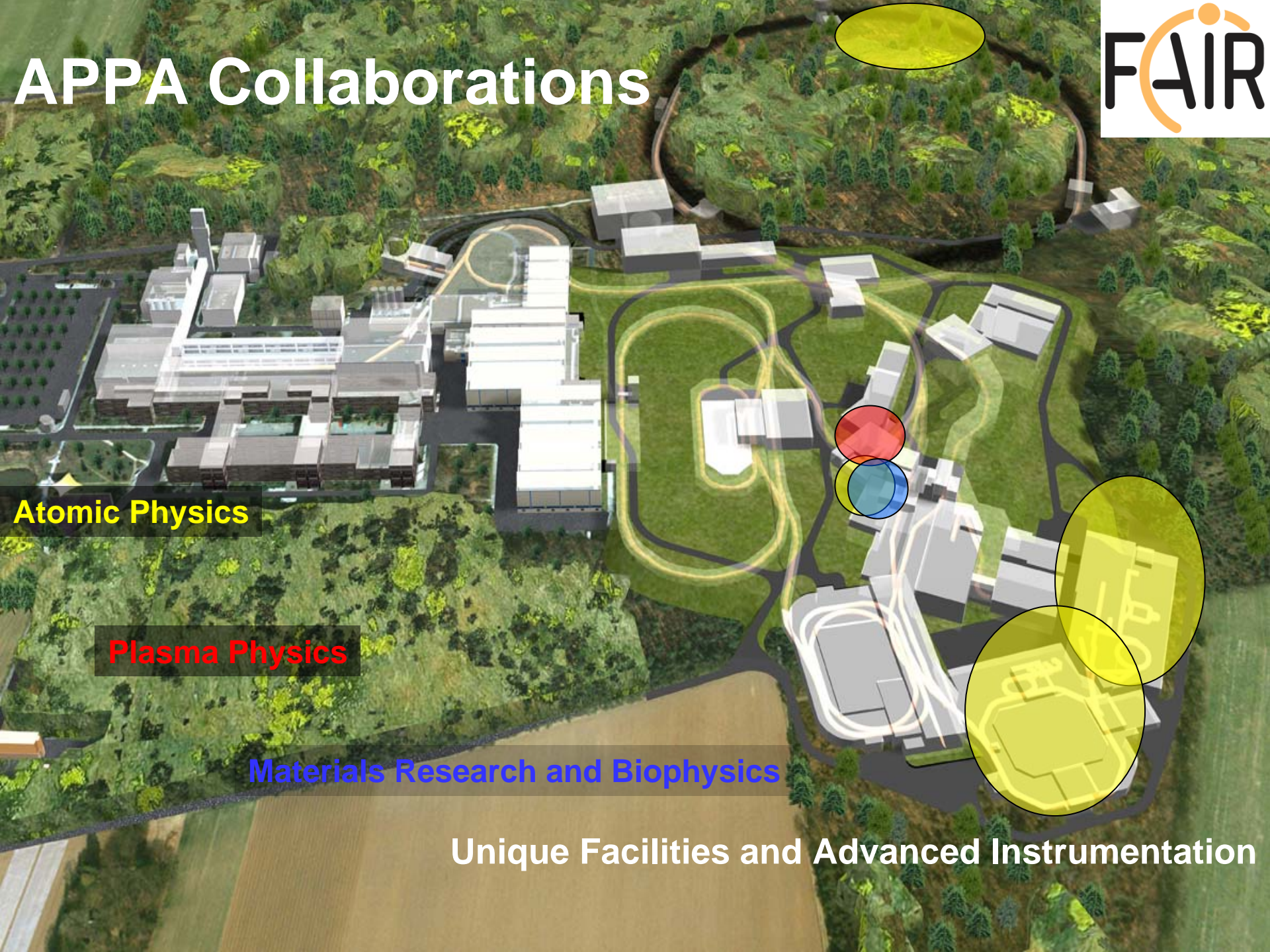


**Atomic Physics**

**Plasma Physics**

**Materials Research and Biophysics**

**Unique Facilities and Advanced Instrumentation**





# New route in HEDP/ WDM research



- **Equation-of-state of High Energy Density matter**  
basic thermodynamic properties of matter in unexplored regions of the phase diagram (two-phase regions, critical points, non-ideal plasmas)
- **Phase transitions and exotic states of matter**  
metal-to-insulator or plasma phase transition, hydrogen metallization problem, etc.
- **Transport and radiation properties of HED matter**  
electrical and thermal conductivity, opacity, etc.
- **Stopping properties of non-ideal plasma**  
anomalous temperature and density dependence of heavy ion stopping and charge-exchange cross sections

**Additional diagnostic tools are an option: high energy protons and high energy high power laser**

# The APPA Collaborations

## BIOMAT

- 110 scientists
- 28 institutions
- 12 countries

## SPARC

- 284 scientists
- 83 institutions
- 26 countries

## FLAIR

- 144 scientists
- 49 institutions
- 15 countries

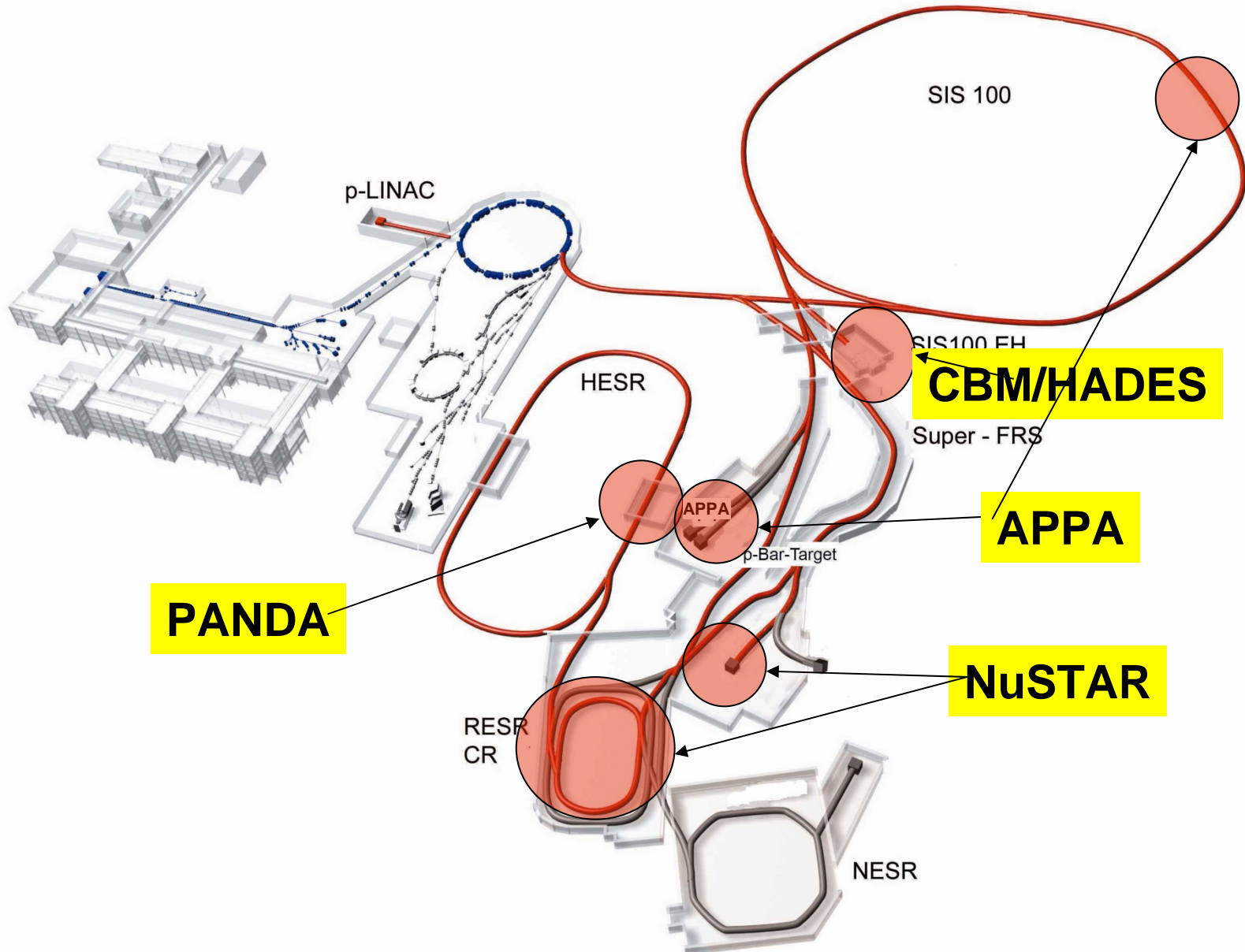
## HEDgeHOB

- 175 scientists
- 45 institutions
- 16 countries

## WDM

- 71 scientists
- 24 institutions
- 8 countries

# Science with the Modularized Start Version



# Development of Project Staging

2003	Recommendation by Wissenschaftsrat – FAIR Realisation in three stages						
2005	Entire Facility Baseline Technical Report						
2007	Phase A						Phase B SIS300
2009	<b>Module 0</b> SIS100	<b>Module 1</b> experimental areas for CBM/HADES and APPA	<b>Module 2</b> Super-FRS fixed target area NuSTAR	<b>Module 3</b> pbar facility, incl. CR for PANDA, options for NuSTAR	<b>Module 4</b> LEB for NuSTAR, NESR for NuSTAR and APPA, FLAIR for APPA	<b>Module 5</b> RESR nominal intensity for PANDA & parallel operation with NuSTAR and APPA	Phase B SIS300
<b>The Modularized Start Version</b>							

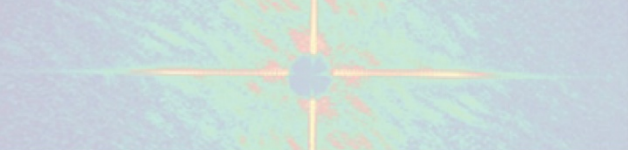
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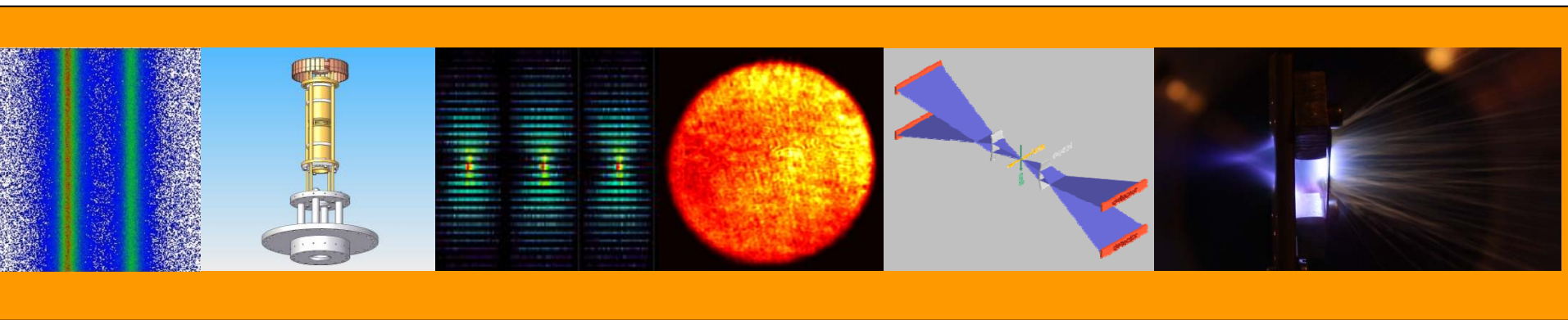


**All colleagues of the Plasma Physics Division at GSI**

**&**

**The colleagues from TU-Darmstadt**





# Atomic and Plasma Physics, and Applied Sciences APPA@FAIR

*From Basic Science to Applications*

Thomas Stöhlker  
*GSI-Darmstadt and Helmholtz Institute Jena*

# APPA Collaborations

(PNI relevant FAIR collaborations)

## Atomic Physics

SPARC: 285 members from 26 countries  
FLAIR: 144 members from 15 countries

## Plasma Physics

HEDgeHOB: 175 members from 16 countries  
WDM: 71 members from 8 countries

## Materials Research and Biophysics

BIOMAT: 110 members from 12 countries

Unique Facilities and Advanced Instrumentation



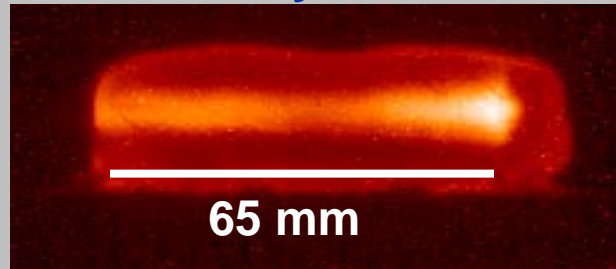




# The uniqueness of heavy ion beams compared to other techniques (Laser, Z-pinch)

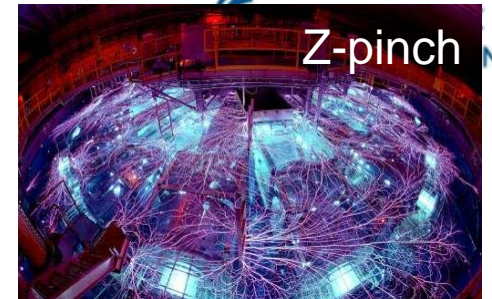


intense, energetic beams of heavy ions



$\text{Ne}^{10+}$  300 MeV/u; Kr crystal

- large volume of sample ( $\text{mm}^3$ )
- fairly uniform physical conditions
- thermodynamic equilibrium
- any material

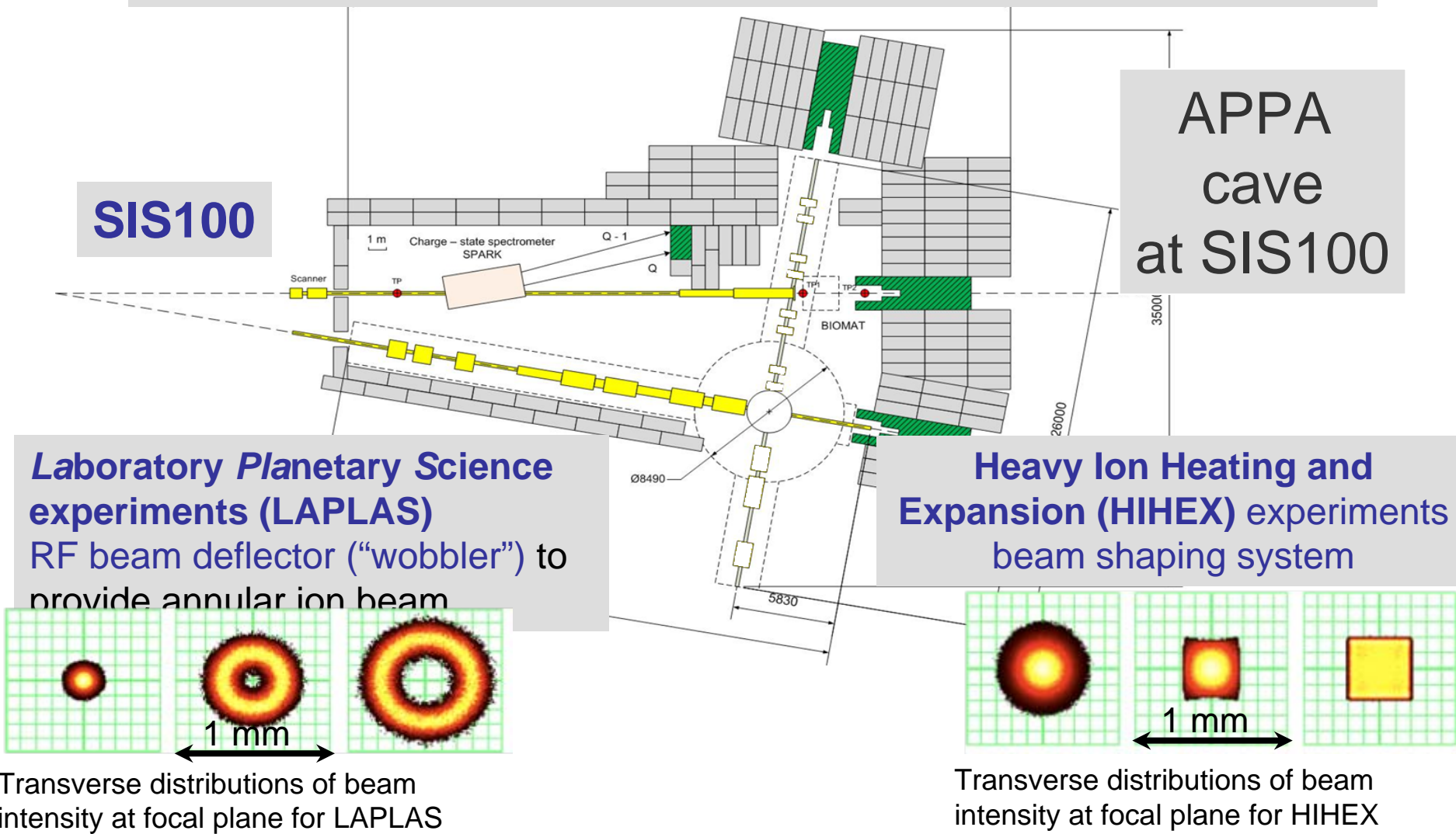


***Compared to GSI, FAIR will provide an intensity and energy density increase by a factor of 100.***

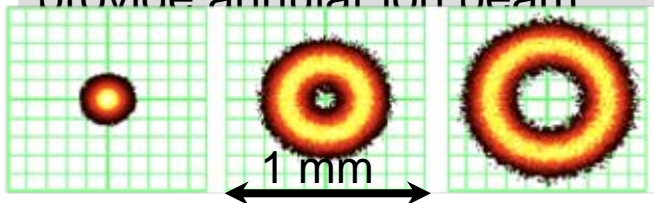
WDM-parameters: **T:** up to 10 eV     **$\rho$ :** ~ solid    **P:** up to 1 Mbar

# Plasma Physics beam line at SIS-100

**SIS-100:** One beam line with replaceable elements:

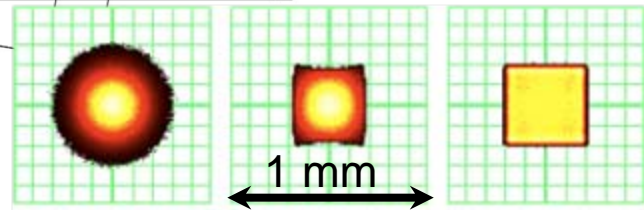


**Laboratory Planetary Science experiments (LAPLAS)**  
RF beam deflector (“wobbler”) to provide annular ion beam



Transverse distributions of beam intensity at focal plane for LAPLAS

**Heavy Ion Heating and Expansion (HIHEX) experiments**  
beam shaping system



Transverse distributions of beam intensity at focal plane for HIHEX

# The GSI Accelerator Facility for Heavy Ions

linear accelerator  
UNILAC



M-branch UNILAC

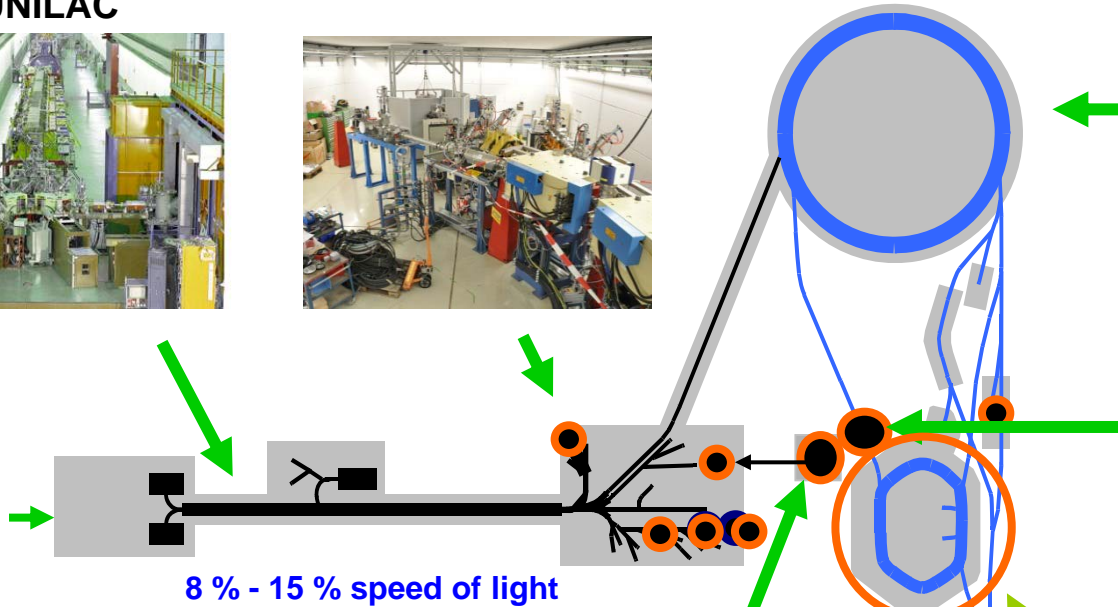
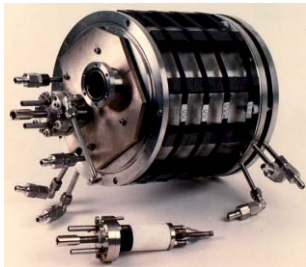


up to 90 % speed of light



heavy-ion synchrotron SIS

ion sources



8 % - 15 % speed of light

petawatt laser PHELIX



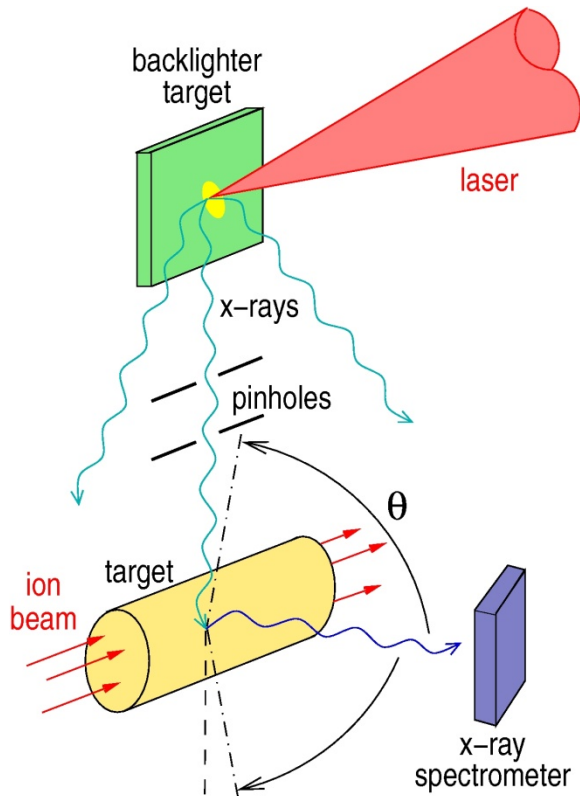
ion trap facility HITRAP



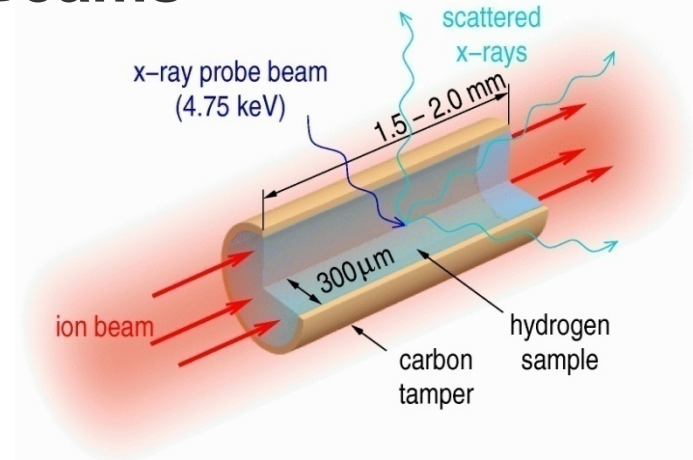
storage ring ESR

Accelerated ions:  $H^+$ , ...,  $U^{92+}$

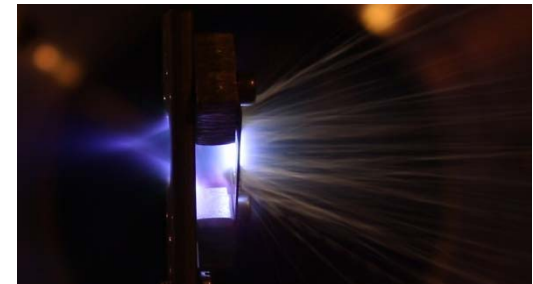
### WDM produced by Intense Heavy Ion Beams and probed by Intense Laser Beams



Unique combination of intense heavy ion beam driven experiments + PHELIX driven diagnostics

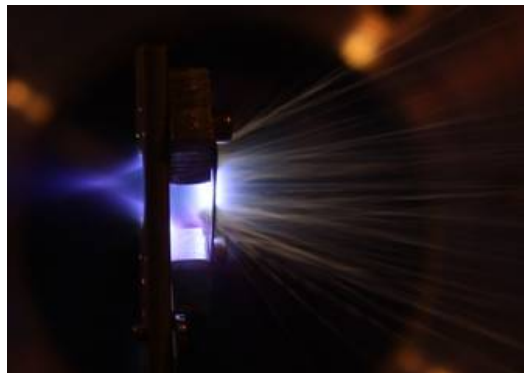


High Power Laser PHELIX



# High Intensity / High Energy Laser at GSI

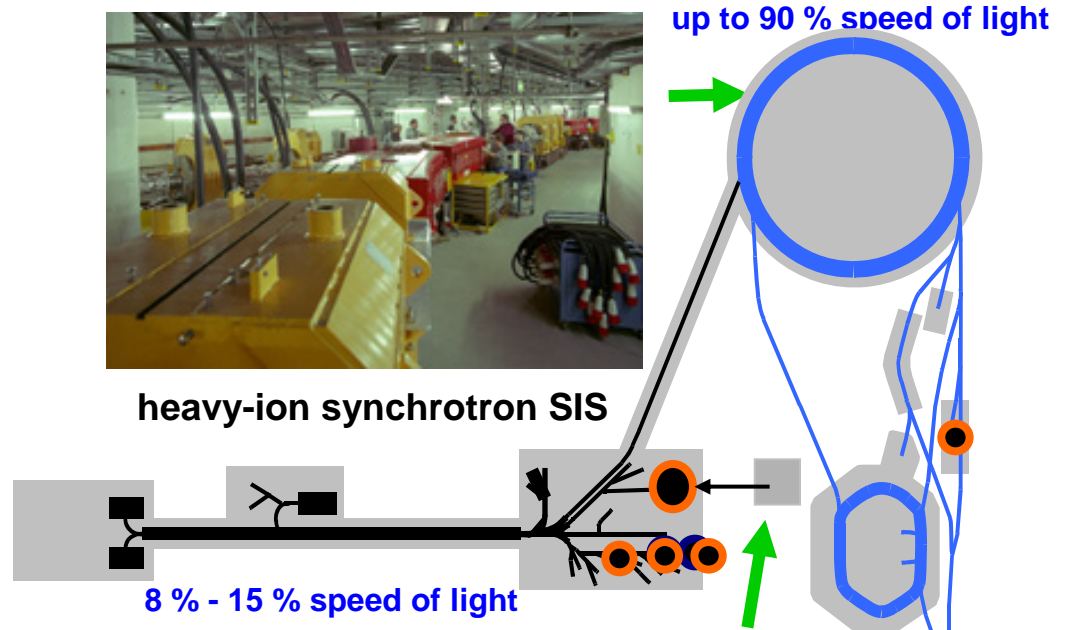
## The PW Class Laser Facility PHELIX



laser heated plasma target



heavy-ion synchrotron SIS



### PHELIX

#### High Energy / High Intensity Laser

Laser bay: 0.5 PW, 250 J @ 500 fs

2008: 0.2 PW, 100 J @ 500 fs

Z6: 0.3 – 1 kJ @ 1 – 15 ns

50 J @ 0.5 – 2 ps (100 TW)

2008: 300 J @ ~ns

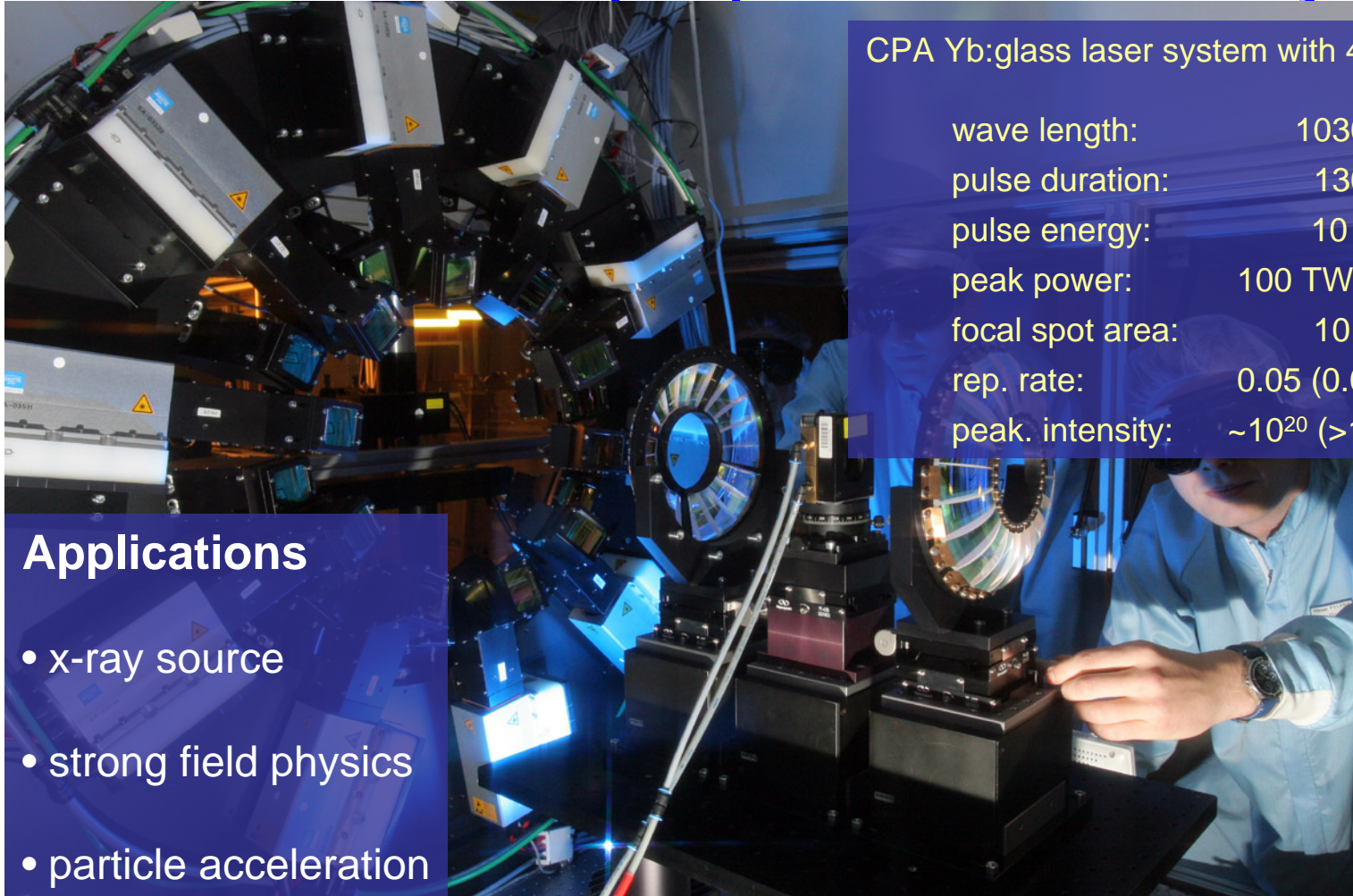


- Narrow band x-ray source
- Proton acceleration (imaging, injection in accelerator)
- High field effects in highly charged ions



# High-Power Laser System in Jena

## POLARIS – an all-diode pumped PW-class laser system



CPA Yb:glass laser system with 4 (5) amplifiers

wave length:	1030 nm
pulse duration:	130 fs
pulse energy:	10 (100) J
peak power:	100 TW (1 PW)
focal spot area:	10 mm <sup>2</sup>
rep. rate:	0.05 (0.01) Hz
peak. intensity:	$\sim 10^{20}$ ( $> 10^{22}$ ) W/cm <sup>2</sup>

### Applications

- x-ray source
- strong field physics
- particle acceleration

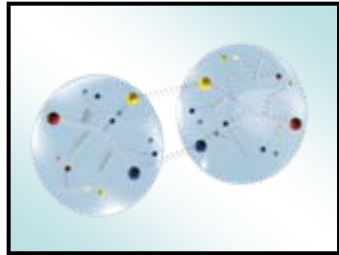
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for

Helmholtz International Center

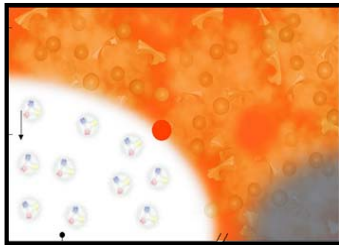
**The first three years,  
the next three years  
and beyond**



# Helmholtz International Center



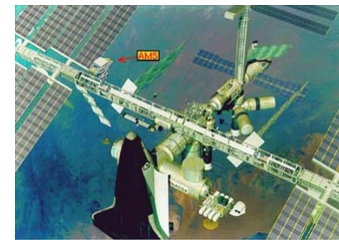
**Hadron Structure and Dynamics:**  
COSY, SIS, FAIR  
+ Theory *PANDA*



**Nuclear and Quark Matter:**  
SIS, CERN, RHIC, *CBM*  
NICA, FAIR  
+ Theory



**Exotic Nuclei and  
Nuclear Astrophysics:** *NUSTAR*  
UNILAC, SIS, FAIR  
+ Theory

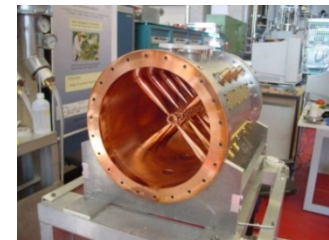


**From Fundamentals to  
Applications:**  
UNILAC, PHELIX, ESR,  
SIS, FAIR  
+ Theory



**FAIR**

*APPA*



**FAIR high-tech foundations:**  
Accelerator Development  
High Performance Computing

# HED-experiments at SIS-100

Up to **200 times** the beam power and **100 times** higher energy density in the target will be available at FAIR

Ion beam	SIS-18( $U^{73+}$ )	SIS-100 ( $U^{28+}$ )	
Energy/ion	400 MeV/u	up to 1GeV/u	
Number of ions	$4 \cdot 10^9$ ions	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$ ions	x100
Full energy	0.06 kJ	6-15 kJ	
Beam duration	130 ns	50 ns	
Beam power	0.5 GW	0.1-0.3 TW	x 200-600

# Research Program at GSI Directed Towards FAIR

## Example: Atomic Physics



### Strong Field QED/Fundamental Constants

- Precision x-ray Spectroscopy on Cooled Heavy Ions: **1S Lamb Shift**
- Laser Spectroscopy of the **Hyperfine Structure of High-Z ions**  
Confined in Storage Rings and Traps
- Trapped Single H-like Ions: **The Bound State g-Factor**
- Towards **Super-Critical Fields**
- Towards **Parity Violation in High-Z Ions**

### At the Borderline to Nuclear Physics

- **Atomic Structure and Nuclear Decay Modes**

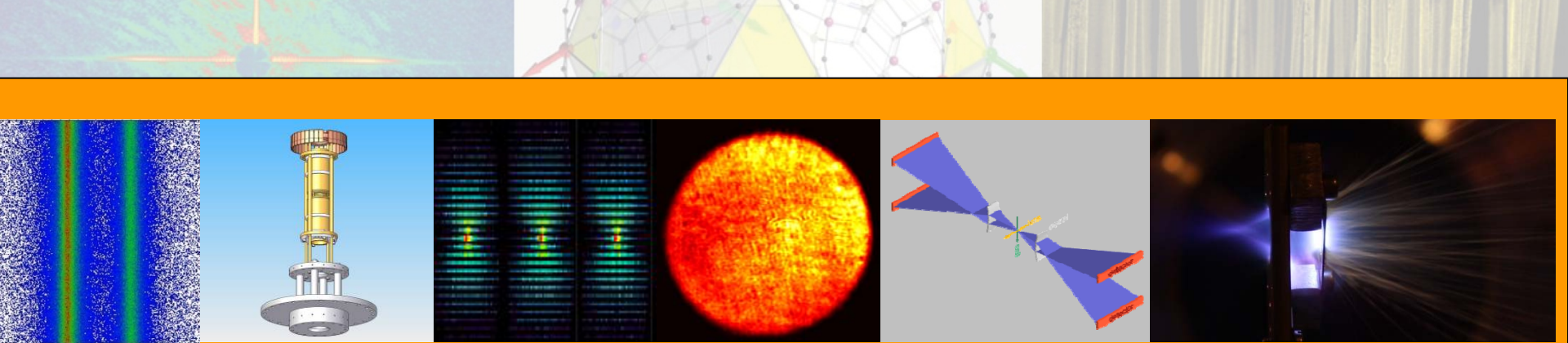
### Novel Instrumentation and Installations for Atomic Physics

new internal target (micro-cluster target), new target chamber (impact parameter), micro-calorimeter detectors, diamond detectors, electron spectrometer, transverse electron target

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Energy/ion	400 MeV/u	up to 1GeV/u	
Number of ions	4.10 <sup>9</sup> ions	5.10 <sup>11</sup> ions	x100
Full energy	0.06 kJ	6-15 kJ	
Beam duration	130 ns	50 ns	
<b>Lead Target</b>			
Specific energy	10 kJ/g	100-1000 TW	x 200-600
Specific power	5 GW/g	1 TW/g	X 200
WDM temperature	~ 1 eV	10-20 eV	

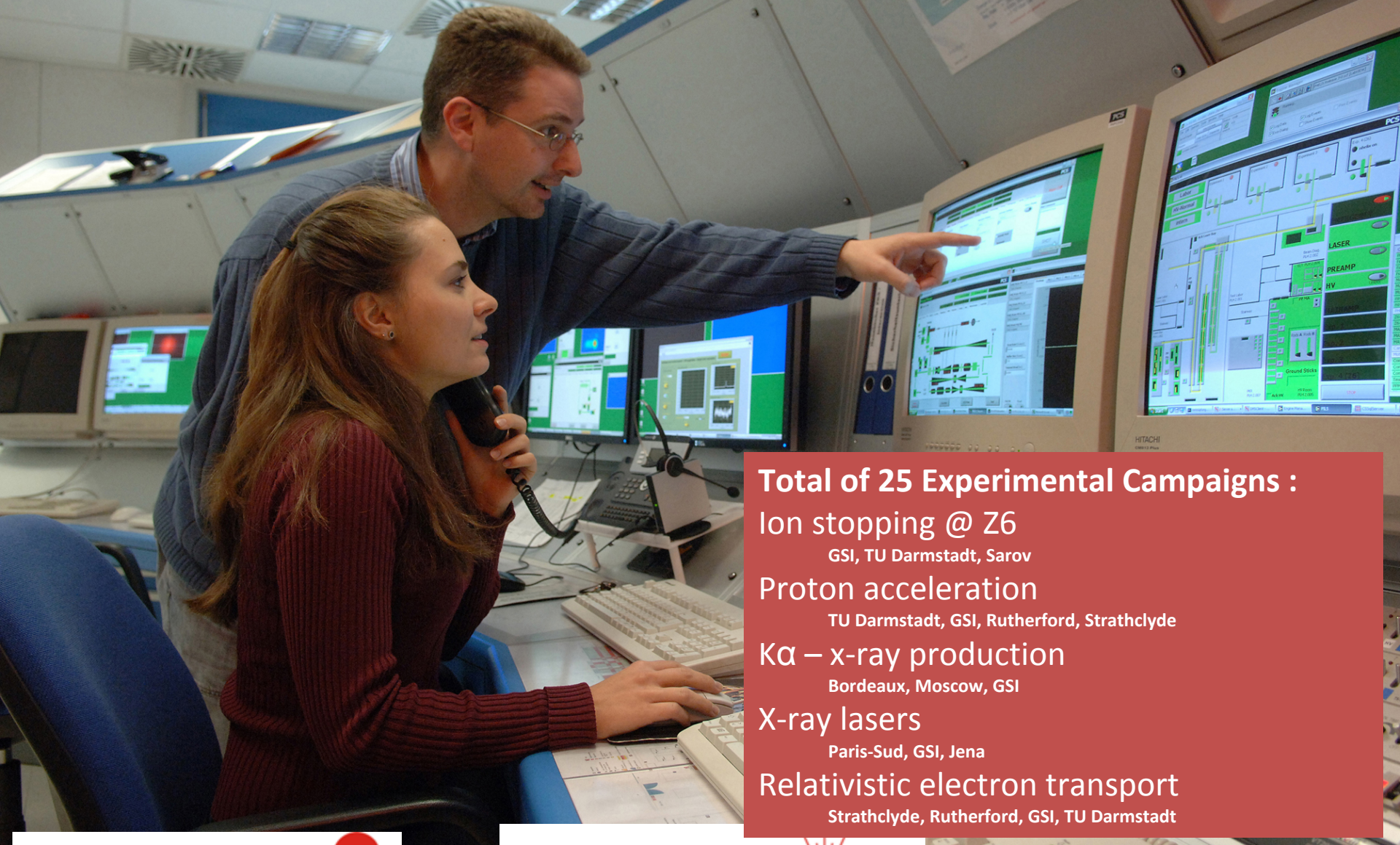


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# 1500 Shots of PHELIX delivered



## Total of 25 Experimental Campaigns :

Ion stopping @ Z6

GSI, TU Darmstadt, Sarov

Proton acceleration

TU Darmstadt, GSI, Rutherford, Strathclyde

K $\alpha$  – x-ray production

Bordeaux, Moscow, GSI

X-ray lasers

Paris-Sud, GSI, Jena

Relativistic electron transport

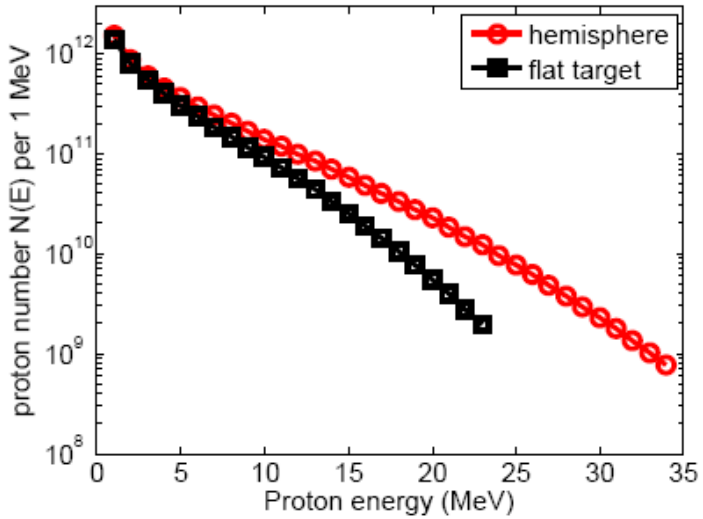
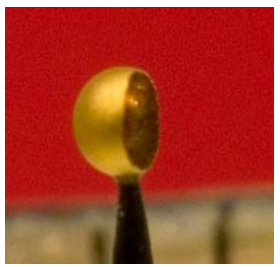
Strathclyde, Rutherford, GSI, TU Darmstadt



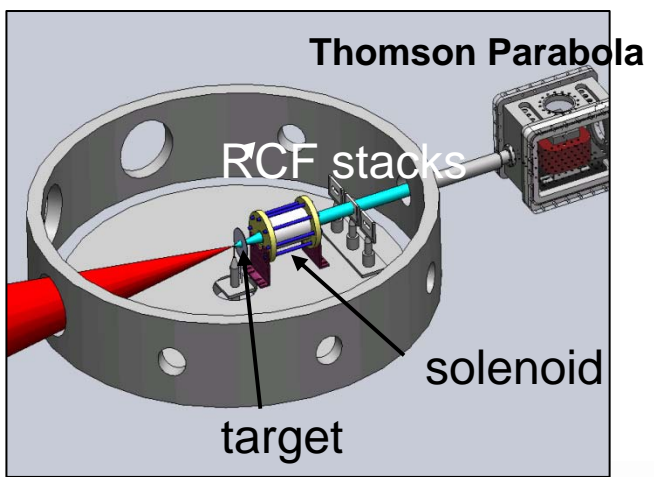
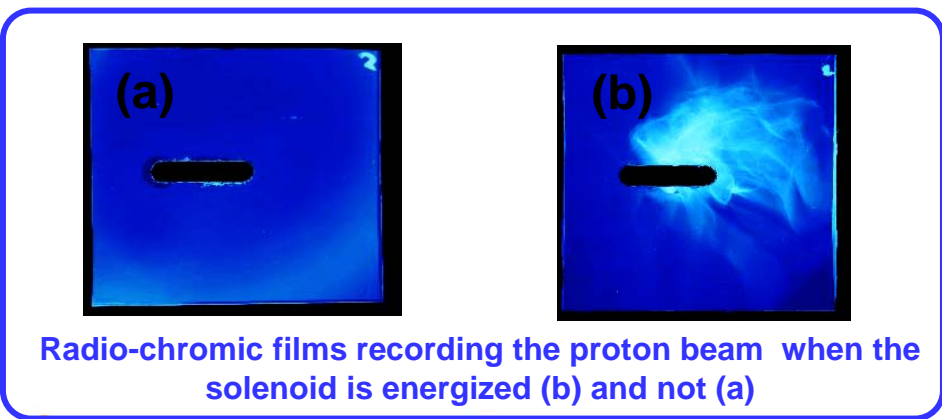
# Significant results were obtained in particle acceleration

- An enhancement of the proton energy when hemispherical targets are used was shown

- Targets developed by TU Darmstadt were shot at PHELIX yielding an increase in proton energy compared to flat foils



- GSI has started a program to couple laser-accelerated ions into conventional structures



# Plasma Physics @ GSI

## The Plasma Physics Facilities @ GSI

### Current Developments

- EMMI, HIC4FAIR, HI-Jena, Helmholtz



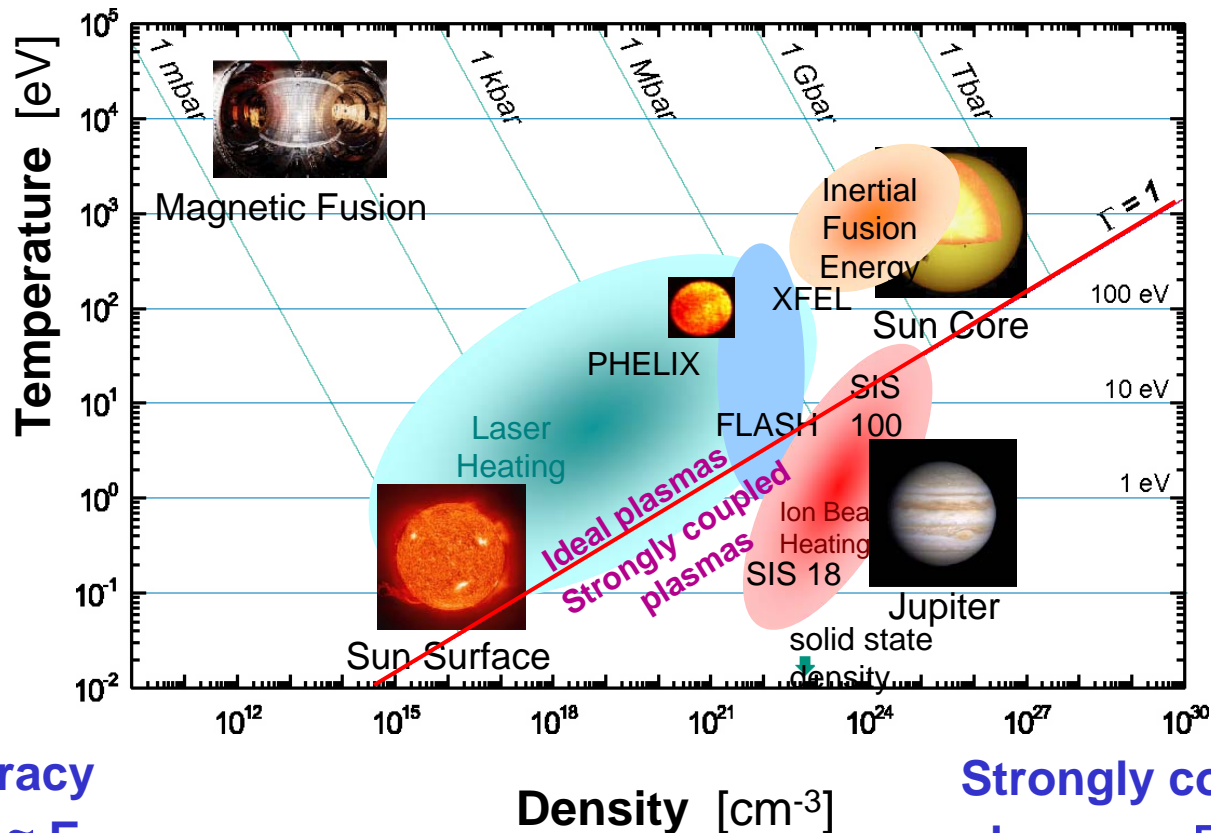
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# Plasma Physics with Intense Ion Beams

Relevant for astrophysics, planetary science, inertial confinement fusion research, material science under extreme conditions

Measurements are required for guidance of theoretical models

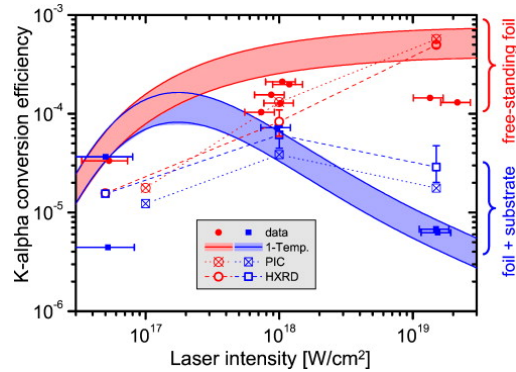


Degeneracy  
 $E_{KIN} = kT \approx E_{Fermi}$

Strongly coupled  
 plasmas,  $\Gamma = E_C / E_{KIN} > 1$

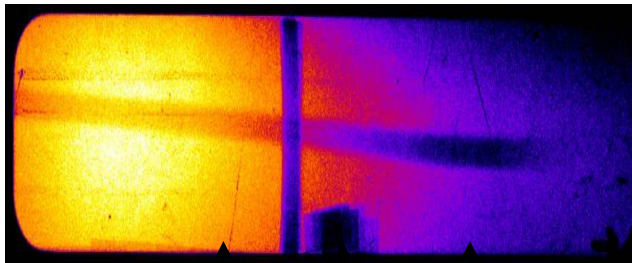
# Electron Transport in a Solid Target

Code development "PEPC"  
Scalable to 300k cores of  
IBM Blue Gene/P  
**A. Karmakar, M. Winkel,  
L. Arnold, P. Gibbon**

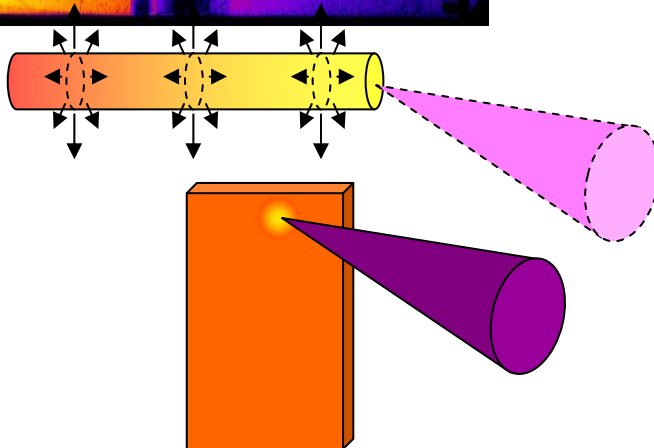


Role of refluxing electrons  
in the production of K-  
alpha radiation

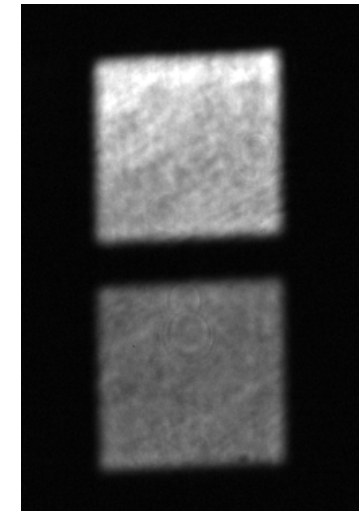
**Paul Neumayer et al.**



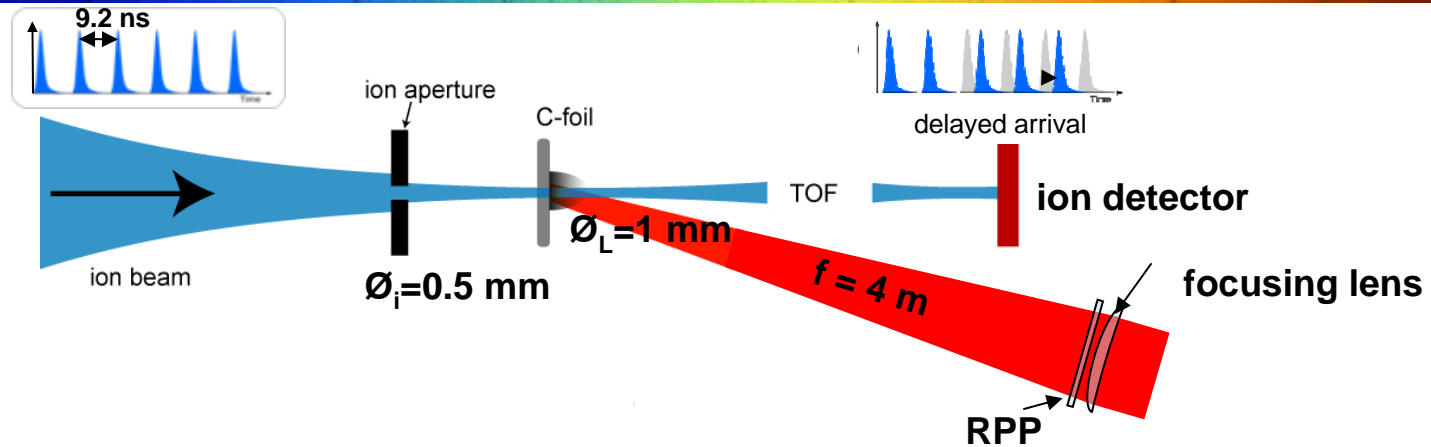
Picosecond resolution  
copper Ka diagnostic



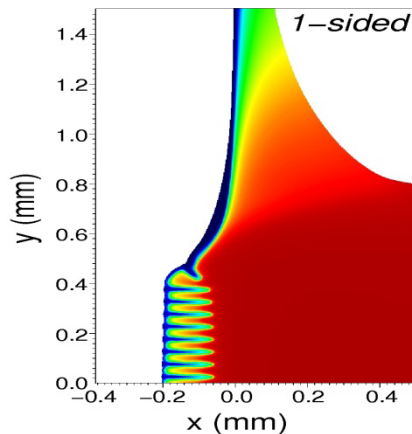
80  $\mu\text{m}$  Ti wire,  
Resolution: 20  $\mu\text{m}$   
(longitudinal  $\sim$  60  $\mu\text{m}$ )



# Ion Interaction with Laser Generated Plasma Targets



Code development RALEF-2D (*R*adiative *A*rbitrary *L*agrangian-*E*ulerian *F*luid dynamics)  
Hydrodynamics from WDM to radiation-dominated plasmas



## Ionization of laser heated foils

*M. Basko, J. Maruhn, A. Tauschwitz*

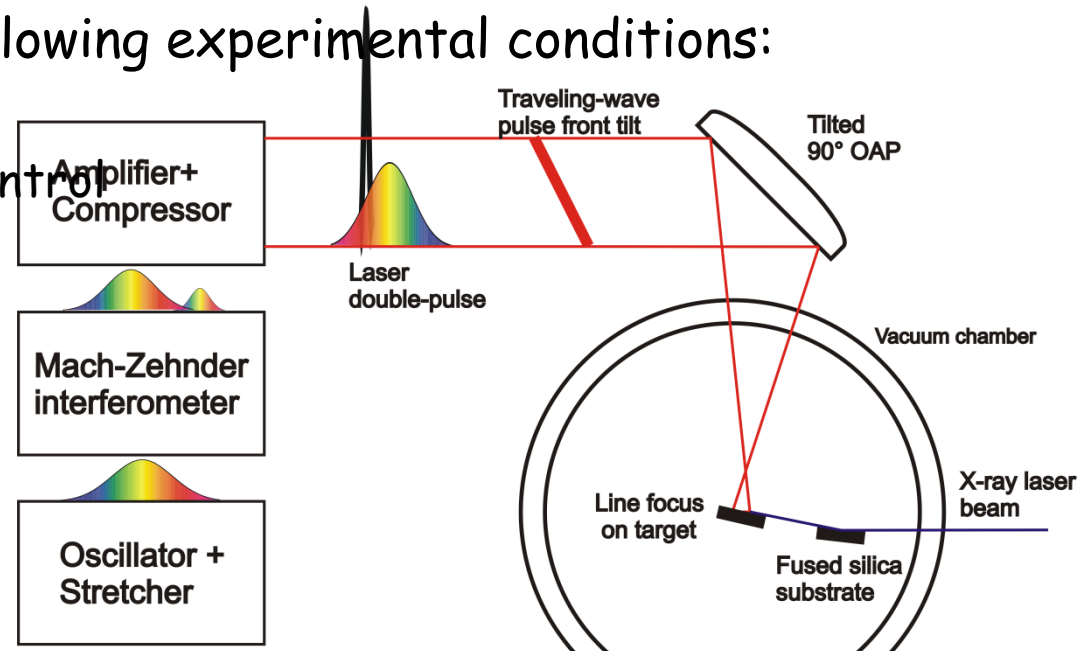
$2\omega$  option for Z6 was implemented in order to reduce target instabilities  
New results by A. Frank et al. show expected improvement

**Theoretical Input From EMMI Decisive For Success !**

# GSI demonstrated an improved scheme for short-wavelength x-ray laser

- The setup answers the following experimental conditions:

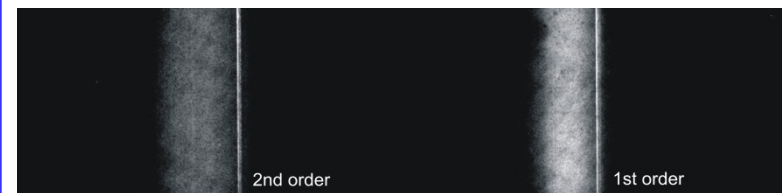
- High Energy Double Pulse
- Exact Traveling-Wave Control



- The results are:

- A simplification of the setup
- A decrease in the energy necessary to reach lasing threshold: 36 J for Ni-like samarium x-ray laser at 7.36 nm

**This brings short-wavelength x-ray laser within reach of high repetition rate systems**



**Signature of Ni-like samarium x-ray laser in the first and second order of a x-ray spectrometer**