

STATUS of TASCA – A Brief Overview

Including the report on Task Group C 2. (separator, mechanics) activities



Matthias Schädel, GSI Darmstadt

<http://www.gsi.de/tasca>

TASCA – Status

Recommendation to build **TASCA** by the Scientific Council of GSI and positive response / funding by the GSI directorate (end of 2004)

The project started January 2005 !

The present situation, September/October 2005)

- * **UNILAC beam line (X8/9) selected** (close to a chemistry laboratory),
 - previously installed experiment moved to the newly built beam line Z7 and
 - **TASCA beam line installed** ✓
 - **Beam diagnostics (2 wire grids, luminescence screen) under construction**
 - Faraday cups ✓
 - **Wobbler design: 2006 – needs work !**

- * **Shielding** (calculations performed and accepted from "authorities"; $I(^{40}\text{Ar}) \leq 30 \mu\text{A}$ ✓)
 - Concrete walls ✓
 - Shielding doors ✓
 - Additional floor, roof and "experiment" shielding existing ✓
 - **Concrete roof: end of October 2005**
 - **Integration of X8 into the UNILAC "Control and Access System": December 2005**

TASCA – Status: The present situation (September/October 2005)

- * Window-less operation (differential pumping) ("A") "in principle" operational
 - first successful tests ✓
 - still room for improvements using bigger roots and roughing pumps
 - tubes (collimators) to connect the 3-sections + holder need to designed / build

- * TASCA ion-optical calculations, design studies, .. ("C 1.")

- Phase I completed: TRANSPORT calculations (A. Semchenkov GSI/TUM) + ✓
Magnet modeling (Efremov Inst.) ✓
 - design and construction of a new -- dipole vacuum-chamber ✓
 - quadrupole vacuum-chamber ✓(to be installed in October 2005, ("C 2."))

- Phase II (present): better, more refined model calculations (GICO,)
 - solve problems w/ conflicting product momentum distrib. behind targets

- * Control (separator, vacuum, beam diagnosis ...) and Safety System:

- Development started; however needs much more work

TASCA – Status: The present situation (September/October 2005)

- * Target (chamber, size, drive, control, ...) ("B"): Design and tests (e.g. drive, targets) ✓
 - target chamber and cassette (outer dimensions) compatible w/ BGS wheel design ✓
 - near future (< 30 % duty cycle): existing 3-segmented *ARTESIA* wheel (2000 rpm) ✓
 - stepping motor and motor control was successfully tested (2000 rpm, in vacuum) ✓
 - w/ photoelectric switch fiber unit w/ amplifier (Omron) ✓
 - distant future (50% duty cycle): same wheel w/ **one half-wheel segment** (3000 rpm)

* Focal plane – Detectors ("D 1."):

- 1st generation stop detector will be built from existing (old SHIP) components
 - components exist
 - not yet installed or tested; open questions about locations, cabling, ...
 - use part of SHIP data acq ? – or separate / independent ? – where ?
- 2nd generation detector set-up under discussion

* Focal plane – RTC ("D 2."): under discussion – *critical, may cause delays (?)*

X8

TASCA

wobbler

beam diagnosis

target position

vacuum chambers
(size, flanges, ...)

D + QQ

differential
pumping

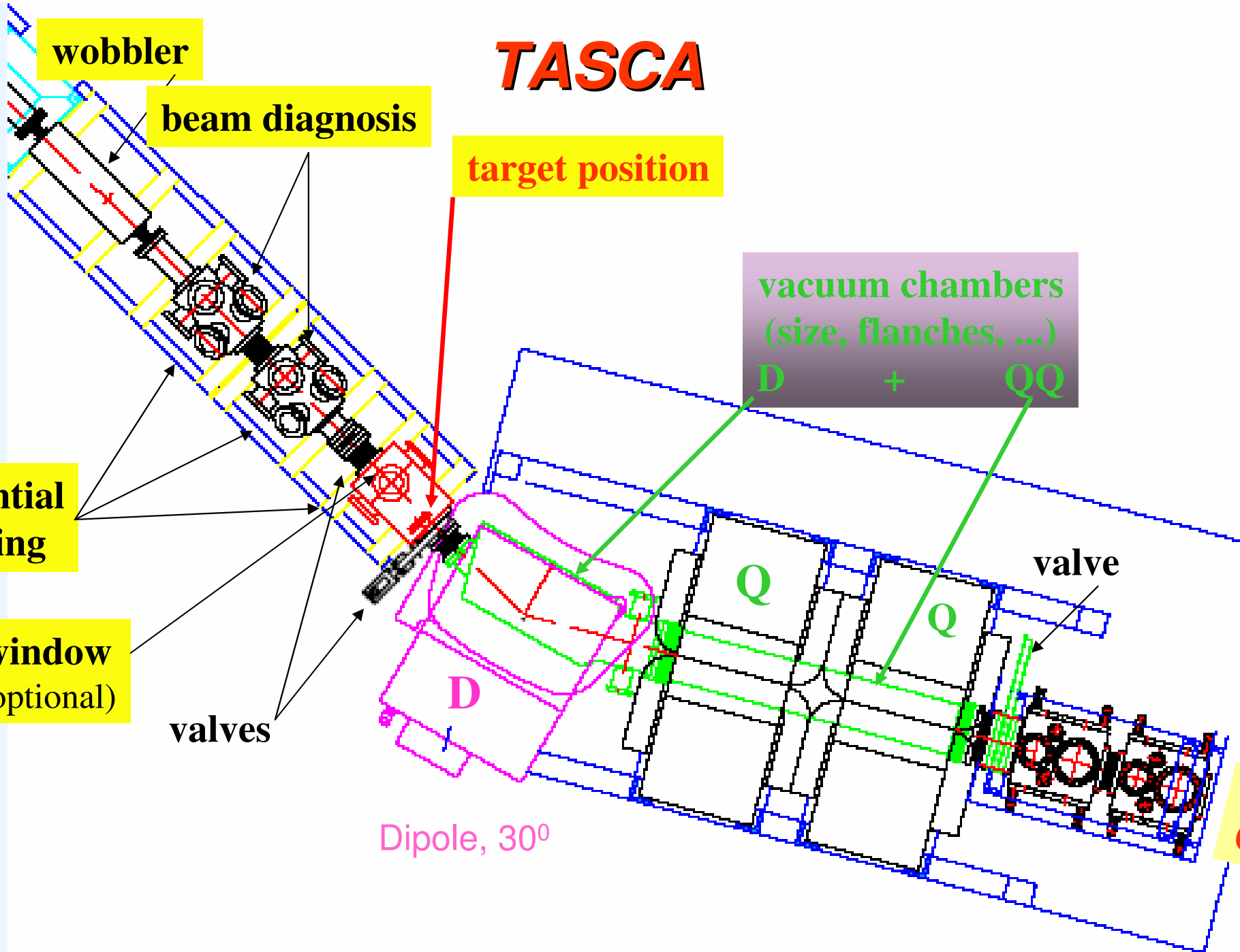
window
(optional)

valves

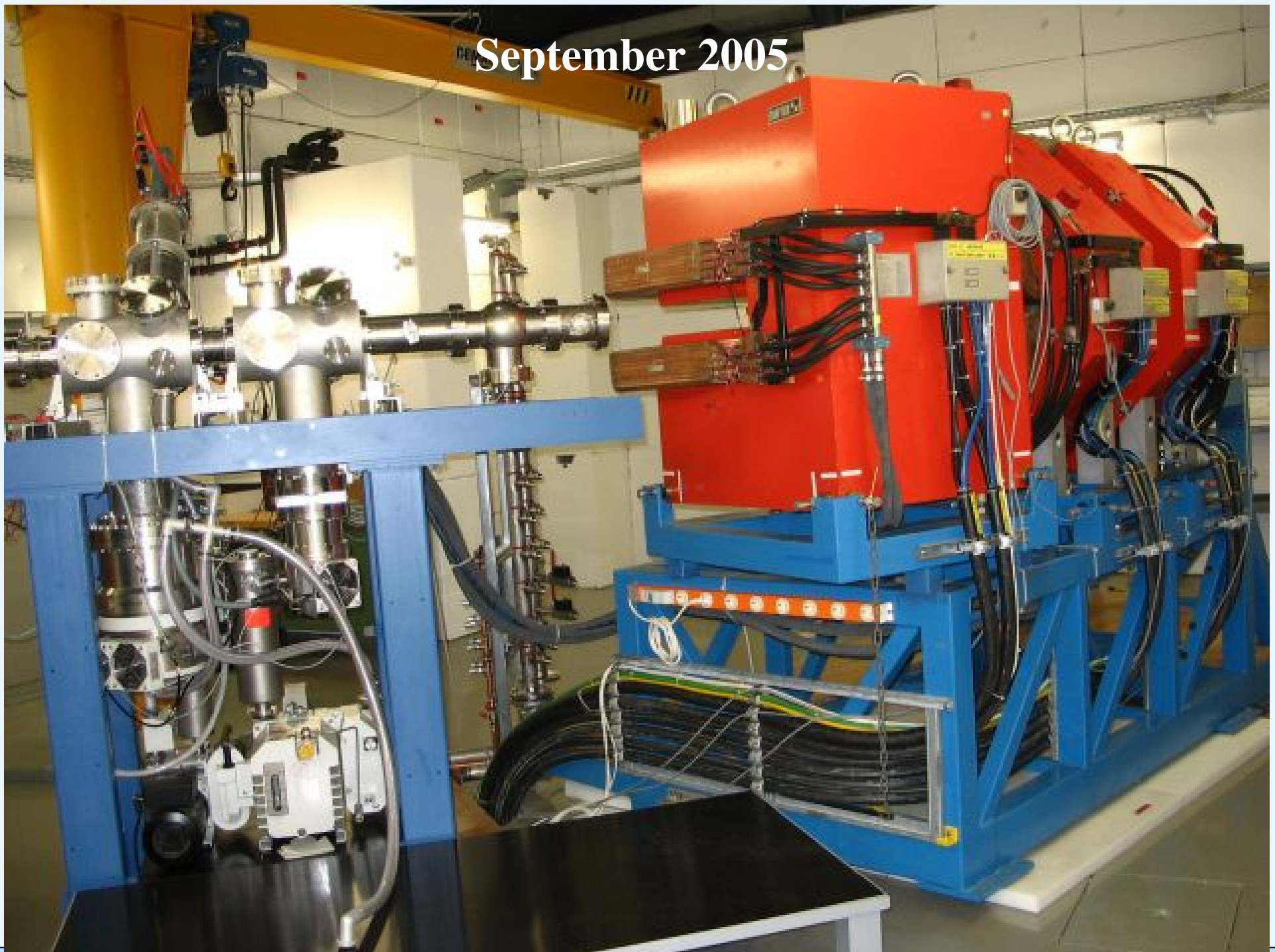
valve

Dipole, 30°

RTC +
Chem



September 2005



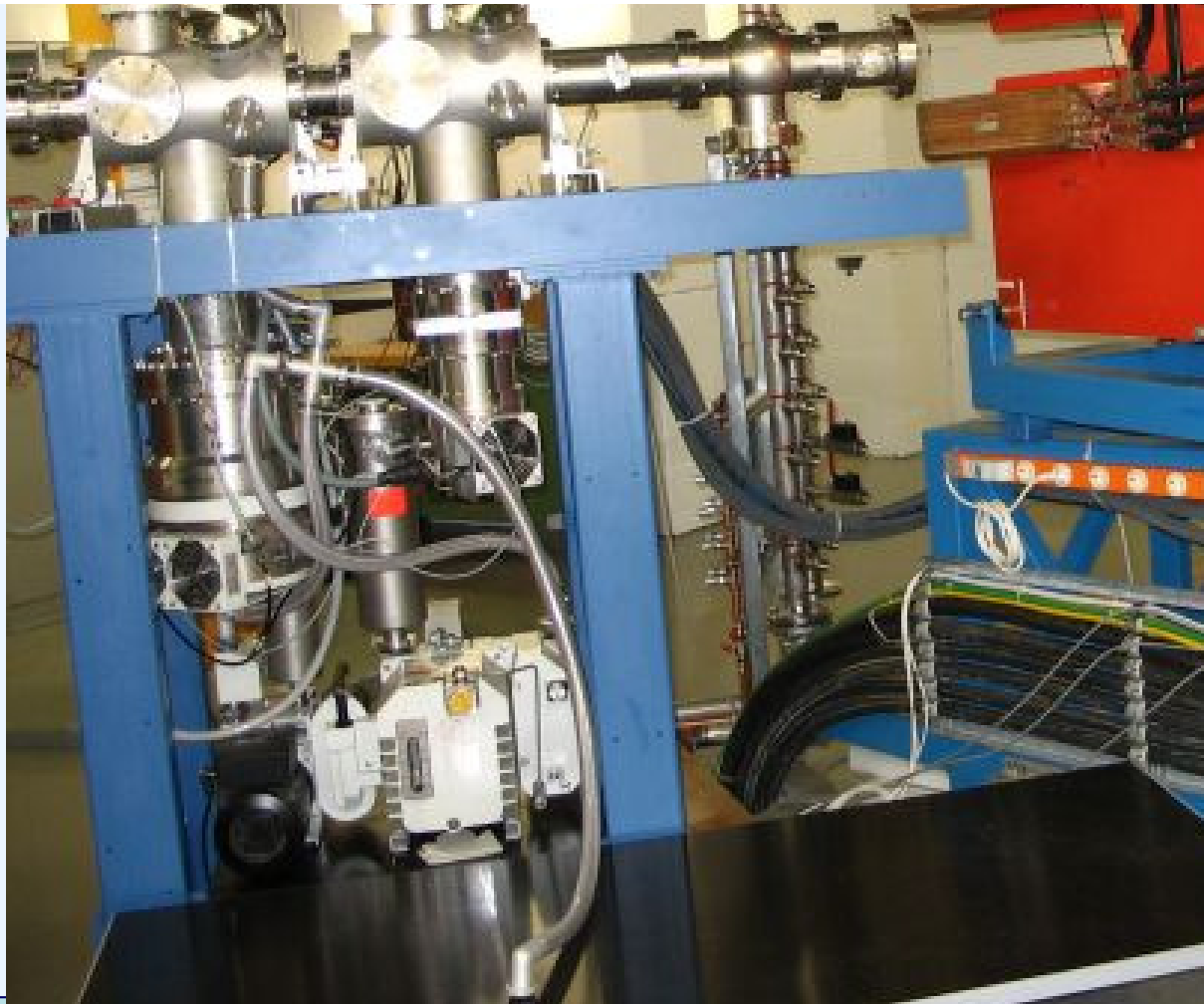
Window-less Operation – Differential Pumping:

WOT 400 / DBP 50 - replace ?

TMU 400 / DUO 35 - ok

TMU 1600 / DUO 20 – ok

tested → working; room for improvement



DQQ:

Cooling water - connected

Power supplies – connected

-- operational

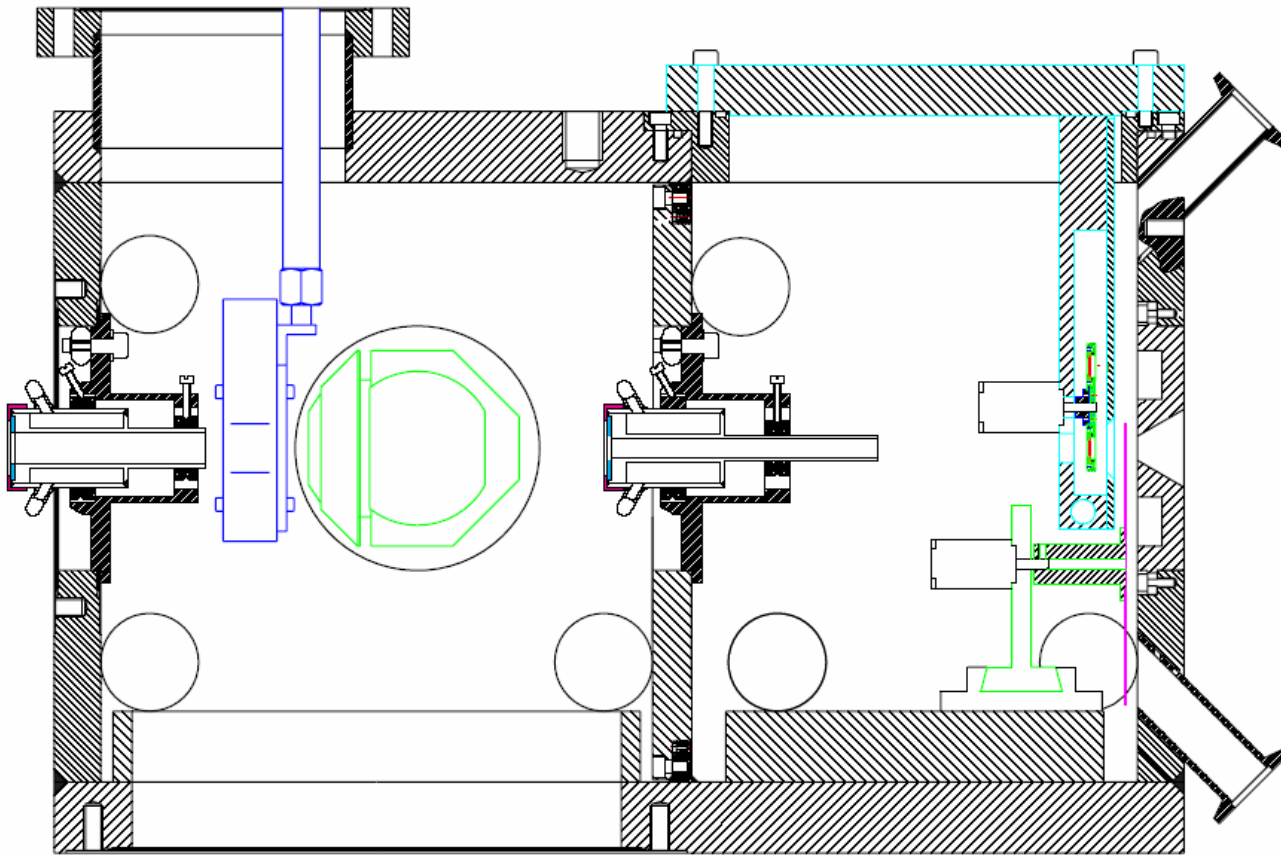
-- tested up to max. B-field



Target Chamber
October 2005 –side view

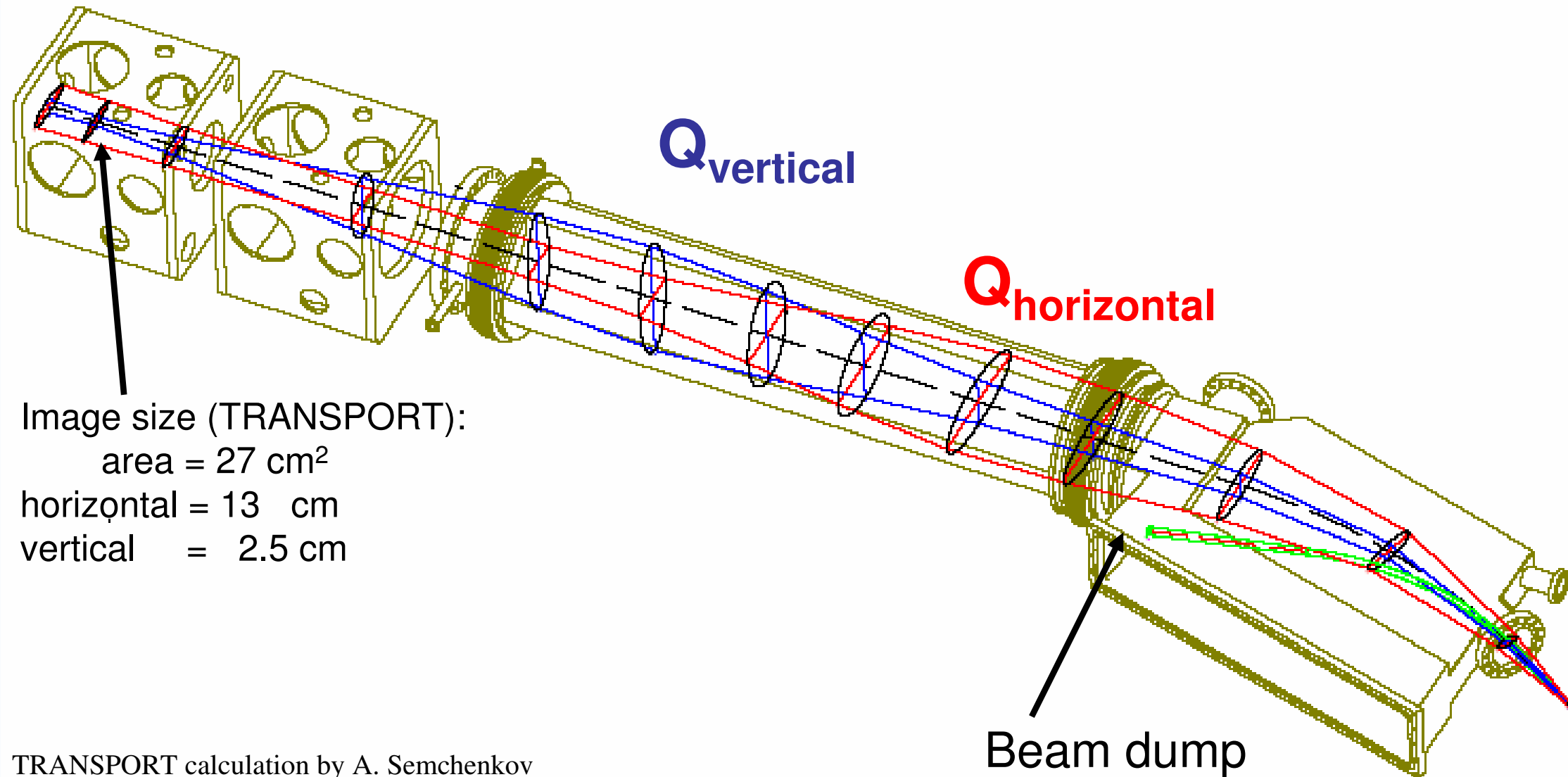


DQQ Vacuum Chambers
October 2005



5 cm

TASCA - $DQ_h Q_v$ - configuration



TRANSPORT calculation by A. Semchenkov

TASCA - $DQ_v Q_h$ - configuration

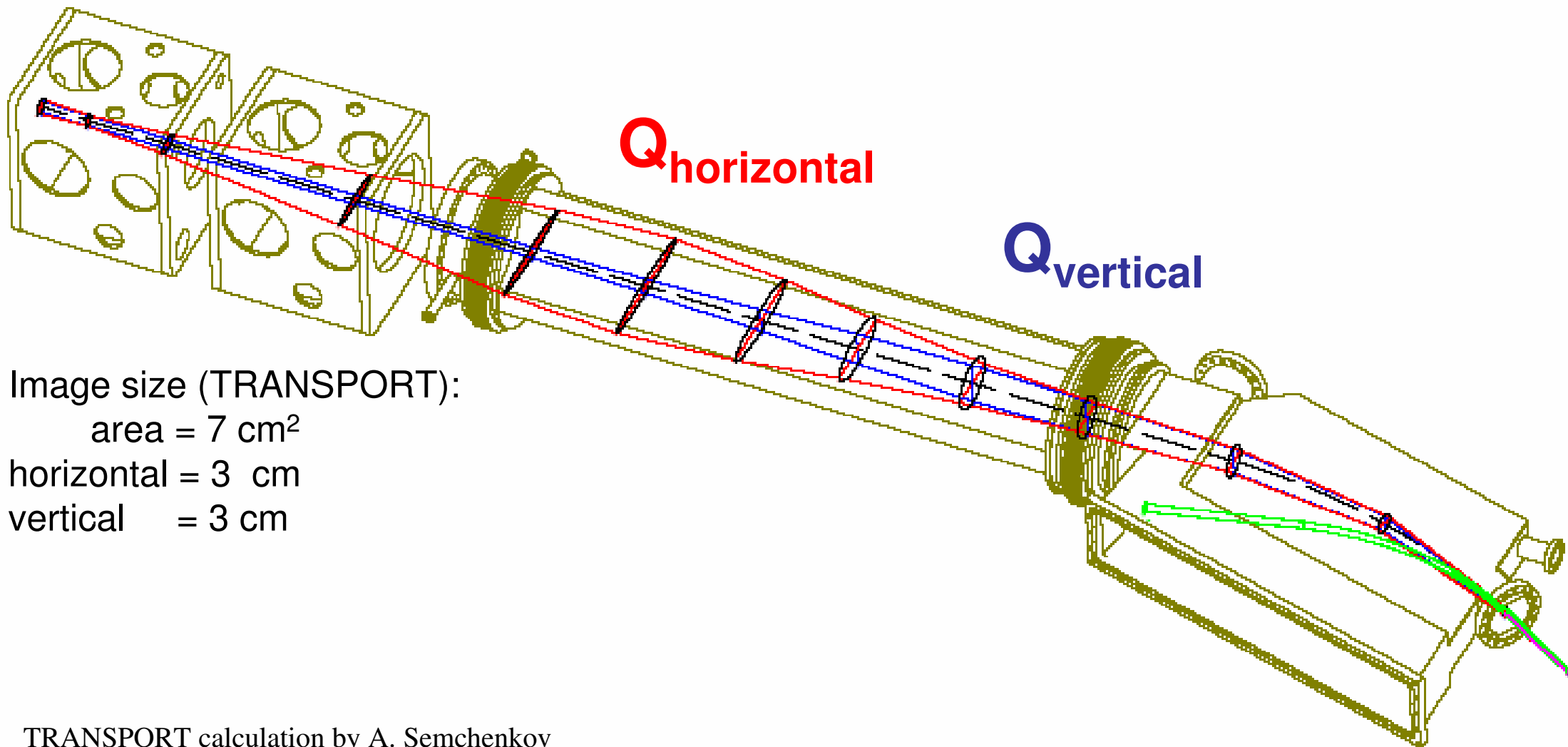


Image size (TRANSPORT):

area = 7 cm²

horizontal = 3 cm

vertical = 3 cm

TRANSPORT calculation by A. Semchenkov

Envisaged Next Steps

- * Cave completed: end of 2005
- * Beam line, target and vacuum chamber completed: end of 2005
- * Test of magnets and power supplies completed: end of 2005
- * Commissioning of beam line and diagnostics completed: mid of 2006
- * 1st generation focal plane detector installed : mid of 2006 (?)
- * Commissioning of the separator w/ beam: 2006 – 2007
- * 1st generation "nuclear" experiments : 2007 - 2008
- * RTC completed: 2007 (?)
- * 1st generation "chemical" experiments: 2007 - 2008