



# ISIS Upgrades – A Status Report

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— one of  
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ISIS

Diamond

ISIS — world's leading spallation neutron facility

PSI	↓ Decreasing power — at present
ISIS	
SNS	
J-PARC	

ISIS: 800 MeV protons on to tungsten target  
200  $\mu\text{A}$   $\rightarrow$  300  $\mu\text{A}$ , 160 kW  $\rightarrow$  240 kW

But ISIS accelerators primarily a neutron factory

~800 experiments/year

~1600 visitors/year

## Typical machine parameter list

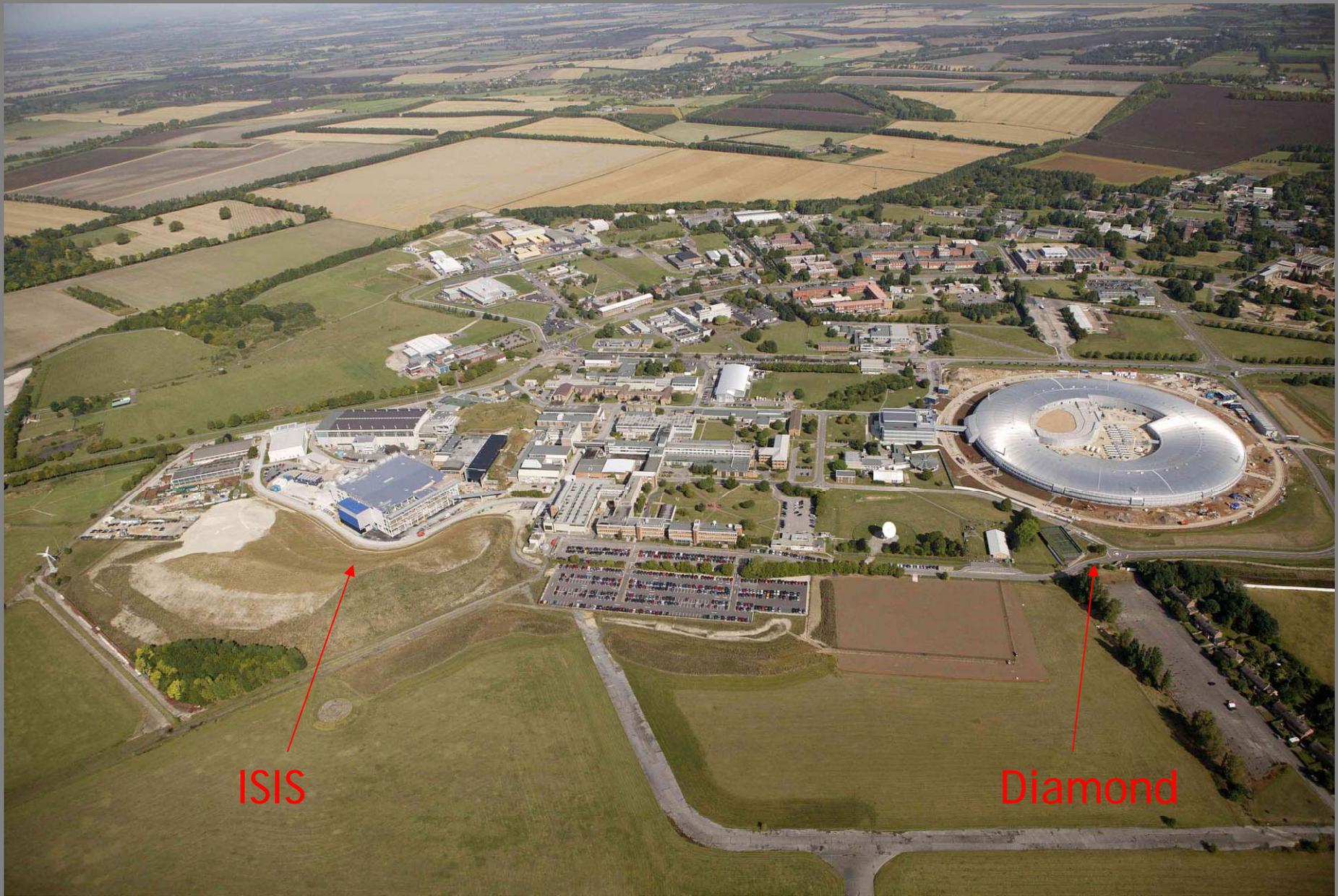
### Machine parameters

Mean radius (3 × ISIS)	78.0 m
Repetition frequency	50 Hz
Injection energy from ISIS	0.8 GeV
Extraction energy (option of 8 GeV)	3 GeV
Number of circulating protons	$3.75 \times 10^{13}$
Ring acceptance	$304 \pi$ mm mrad
Magnet lattice type	racetrack
Number of ring superperiods	2
Number of 3-cell periods per arc	5
Number of arc cells	$2 \times 15$
Number of straight section cells	$2 \times 7$
Number of main B dipoles	$2 \times 10$
Number of secondary b dipoles	$2 \times 5$
Number of main D quadrupoles	$2 \times 22$
Number of trim d quadrupoles	$2 \times 12$
Number of main F quadrupoles	$2 \times 22$
Number of trim f quadrupoles	$2 \times 12$
Gamma transition	13.8
Horizontal betatron tune	11.7
Vertical betatron tune	7.4
Bending angle for B dipoles	$16.5^\circ$
Bending angle for b dipoles	$3.0^\circ$
Bending angle for 3-cell arc periods	$36.0^\circ$
Length of main B dipoles	5.940 m
Length of secondary b dipoles	1.080 m
Length of main D quadrupoles	1.036 m
Length of main F quadrupoles	1.200 m
Length of trim quadrupoles	0.200 m
RMS unnorm. injection trans. emittance	$19 \pi$ mm mrad
100% unnorm. injection trans. emittance	$125 \pi$ mm mrad
100% unnorm. 3 GeV trans. emittance	$50 \pi$ mm mrad
100% unnorm. 8 GeV trans. emittance	$25 \pi$ mm mrad
100% norm. longitudinal emittance	<1.0 eV sec

## ISIS – key machine parameter list

Reliability

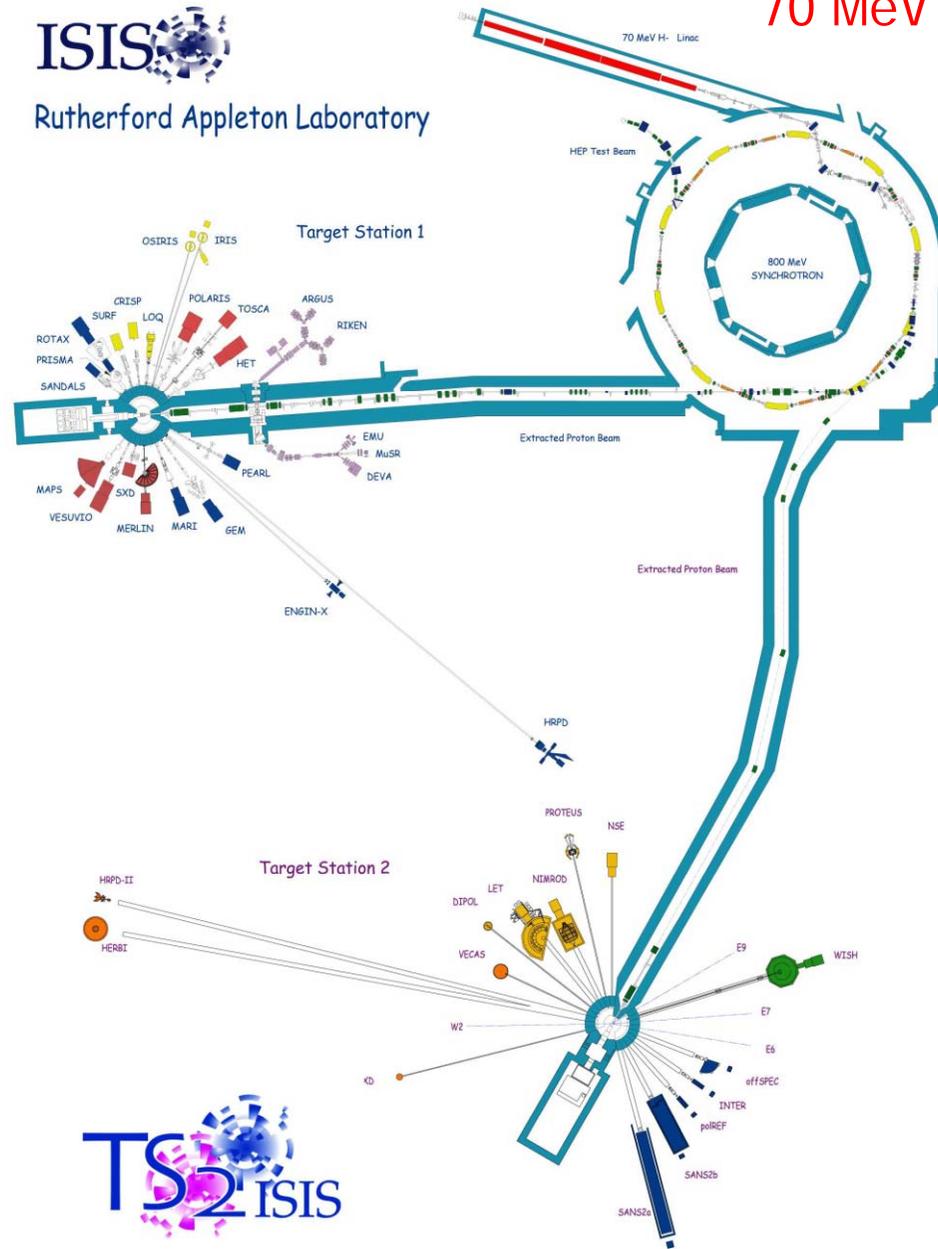
Output

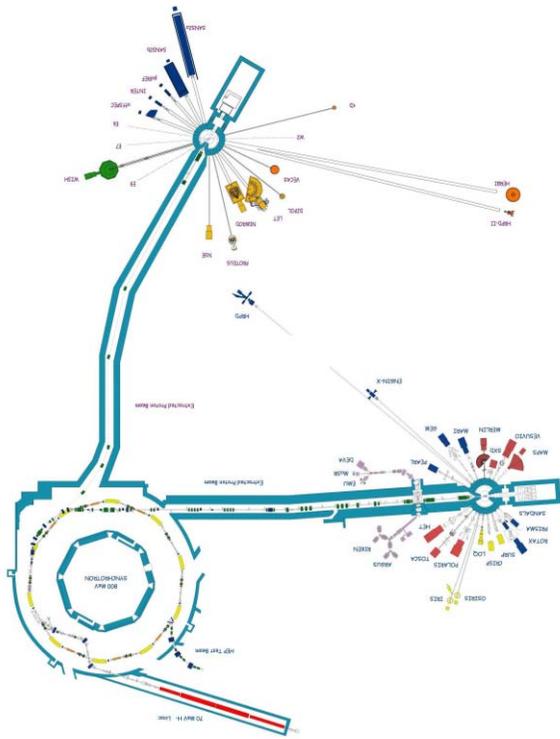


Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, looking north

70 MeV H<sup>-</sup> linac

800 MeV  
proton  
synchrotron





ISIS from air

## ISIS

First beam December 1984



10 amp-hours delivered on 12 December 2005

36,000 C

$2.25 \times 10^{23}$  protons

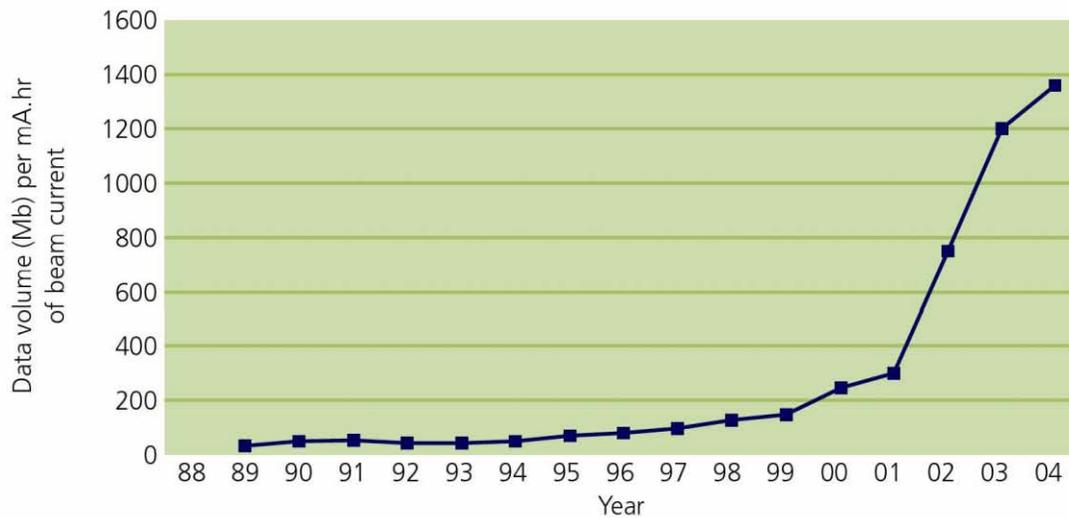
$4.4 \times 10^{24}$  neutrons

7.5 g neutrons

~£30M/g (excl. capital costs)



*Average ISIS beam current per cycle.*



*As ISIS instrument performance has increased, the amount of data taken per mA.hr of proton current has risen sharply.*

## ISIS development from 1985 to 2005

## Factors determining success of accelerator facility

- Source strength ← often wrongly consider only this
- Reliability
- Instrumentation
- Innovation
- Investment
- Support facilities
- Support staff
- Cost effectiveness
- User community

## ISIS upgrades:

New extraction straight for the synchrotron

Replacement of the Cockcroft-Walton by RFQ

Installation of a second harmonic RF system

Replacement and upgrading of installed equipment

Improved diagnostics + beam dynamics simulations

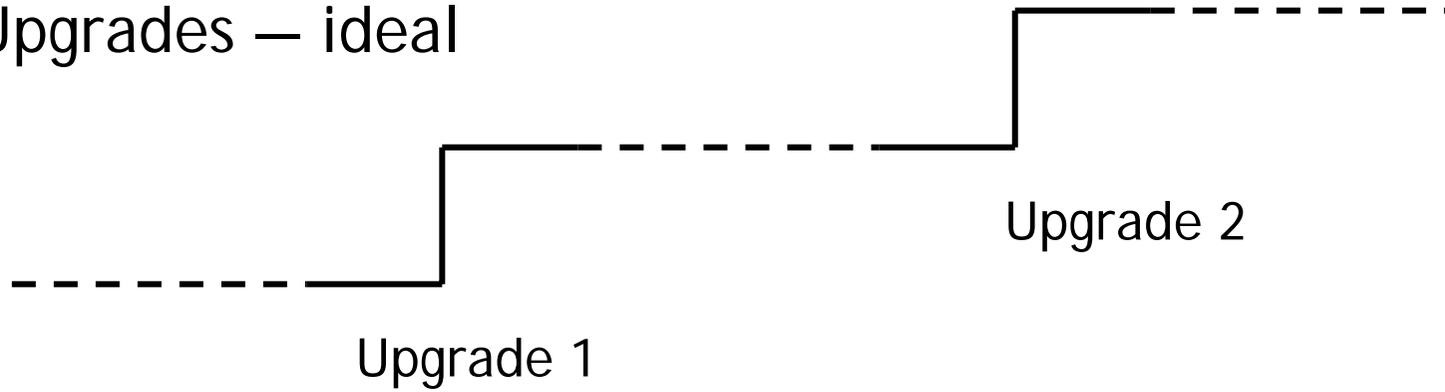
Construction of a second target station

Design and construction of a front end test stand

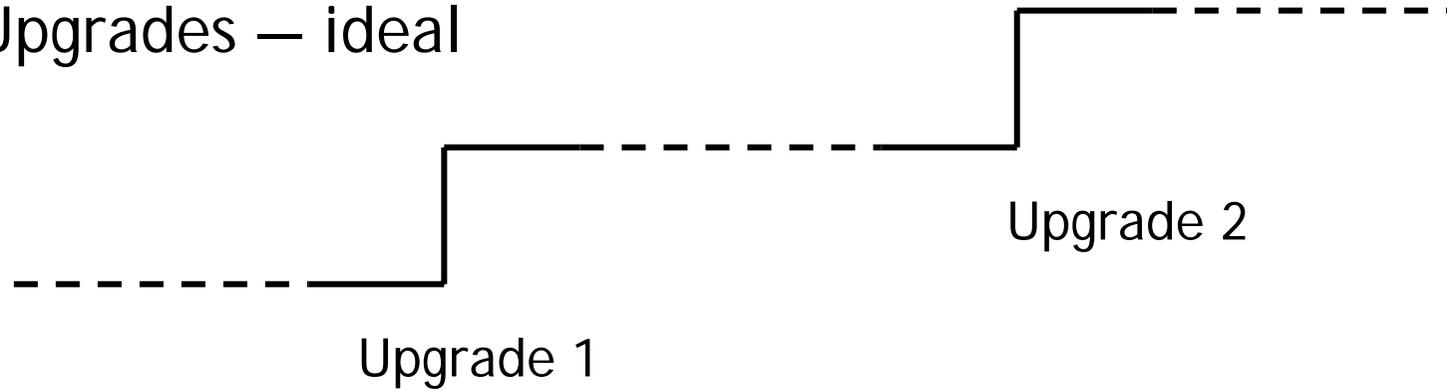
MICE experiment

Upgrade schemes for ~1 MW and beyond

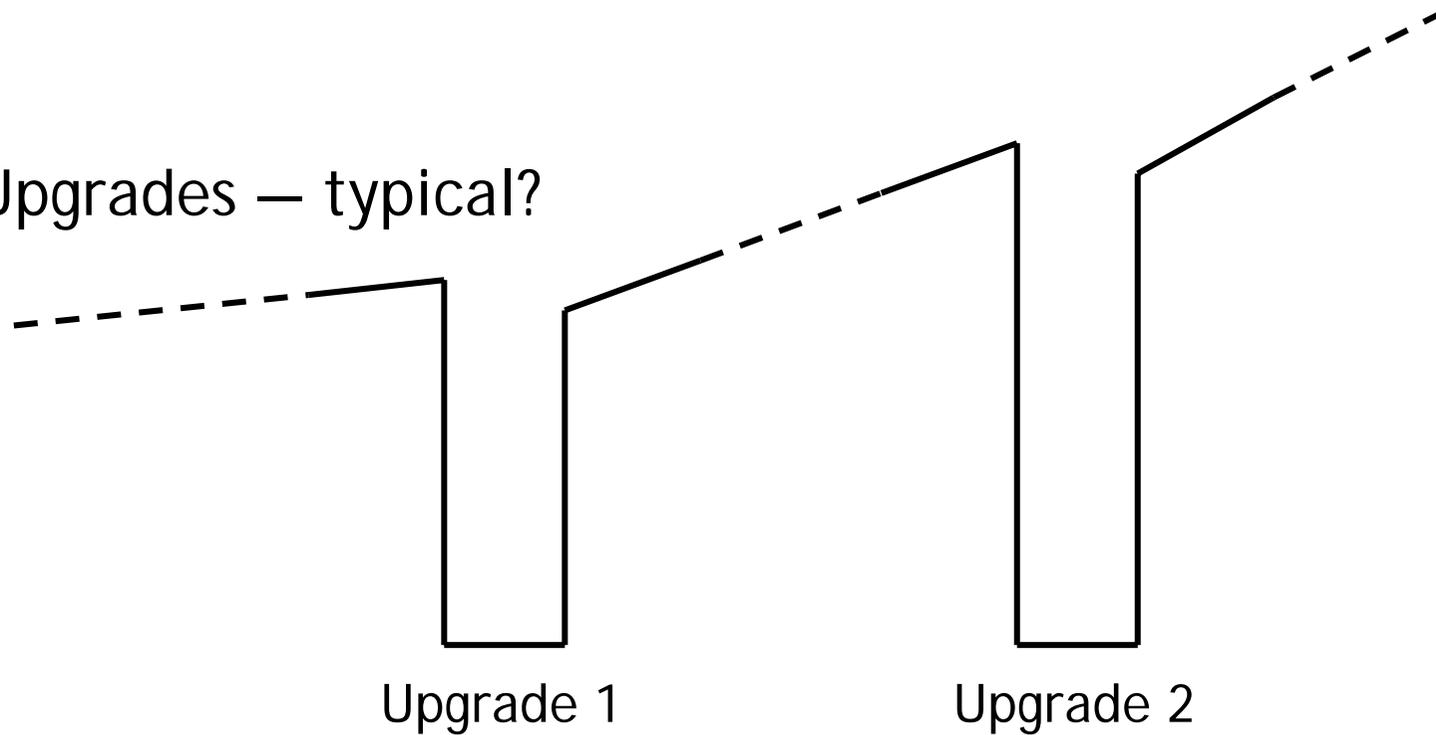
Upgrades – ideal



Upgrades – ideal



Upgrades – typical?





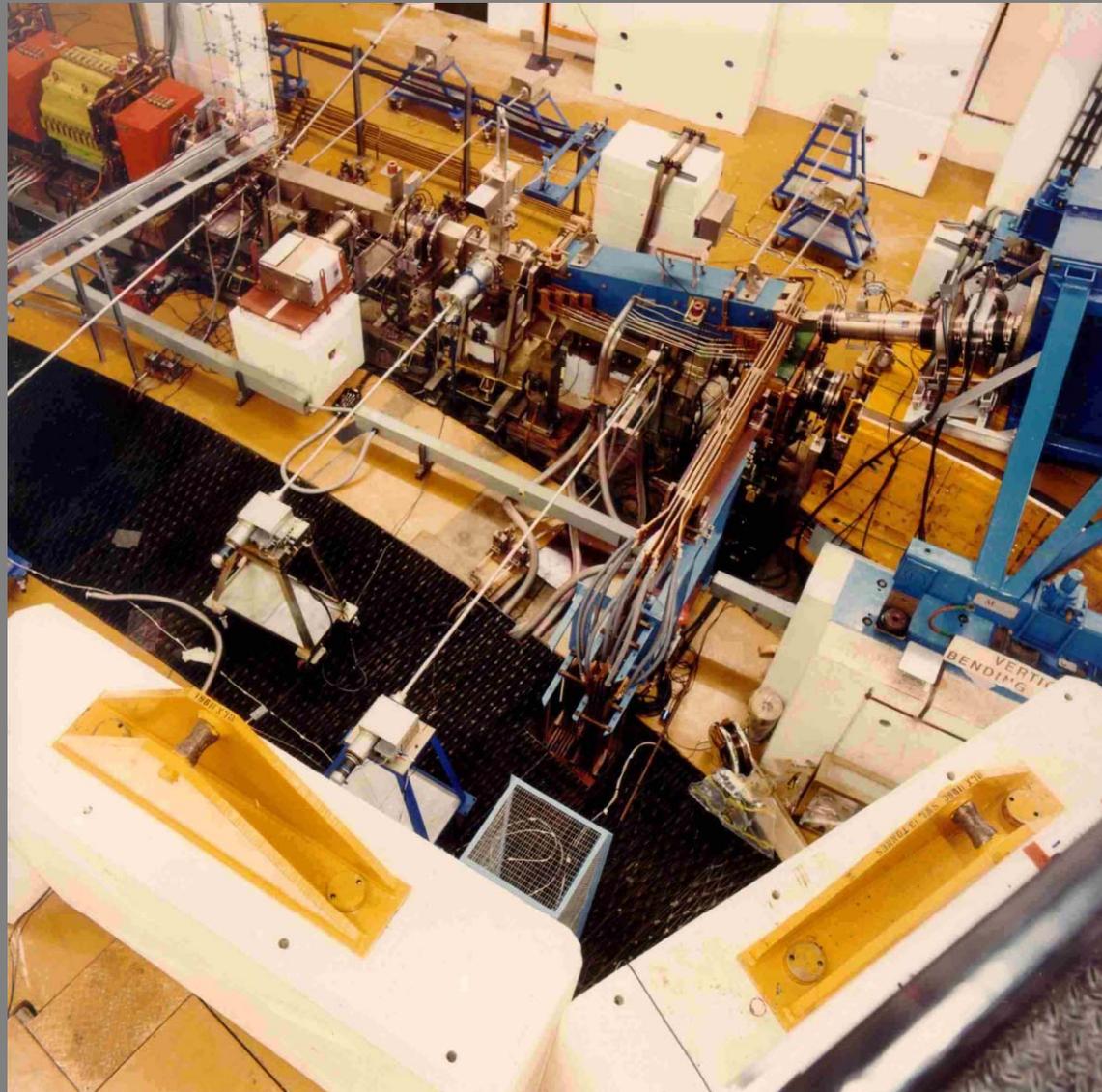
View down north side of ISIS 70 MeV H<sup>-</sup> MeV linac



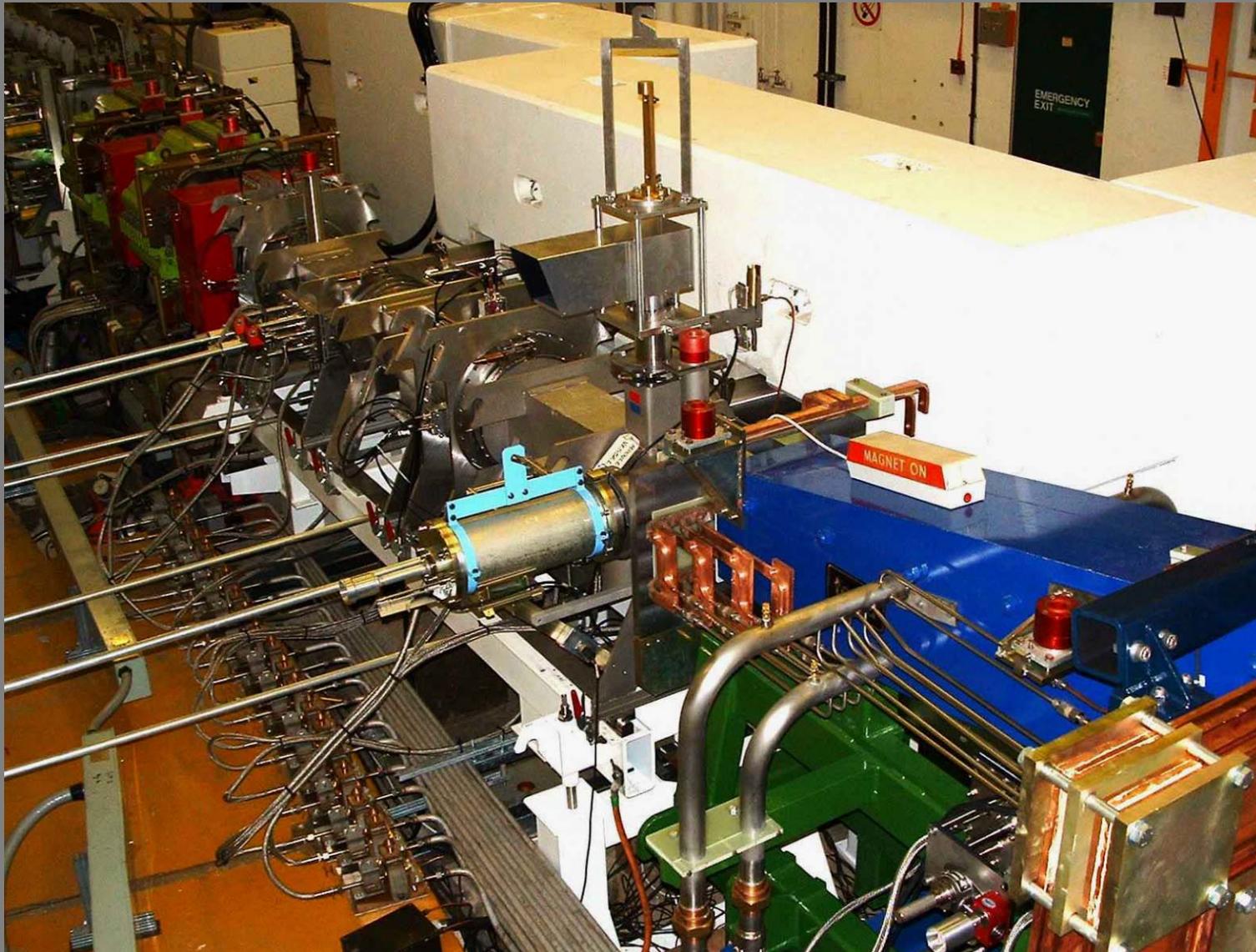
Superperiods 9, 0 and 1 of the ISIS 800 MeV synchrotron



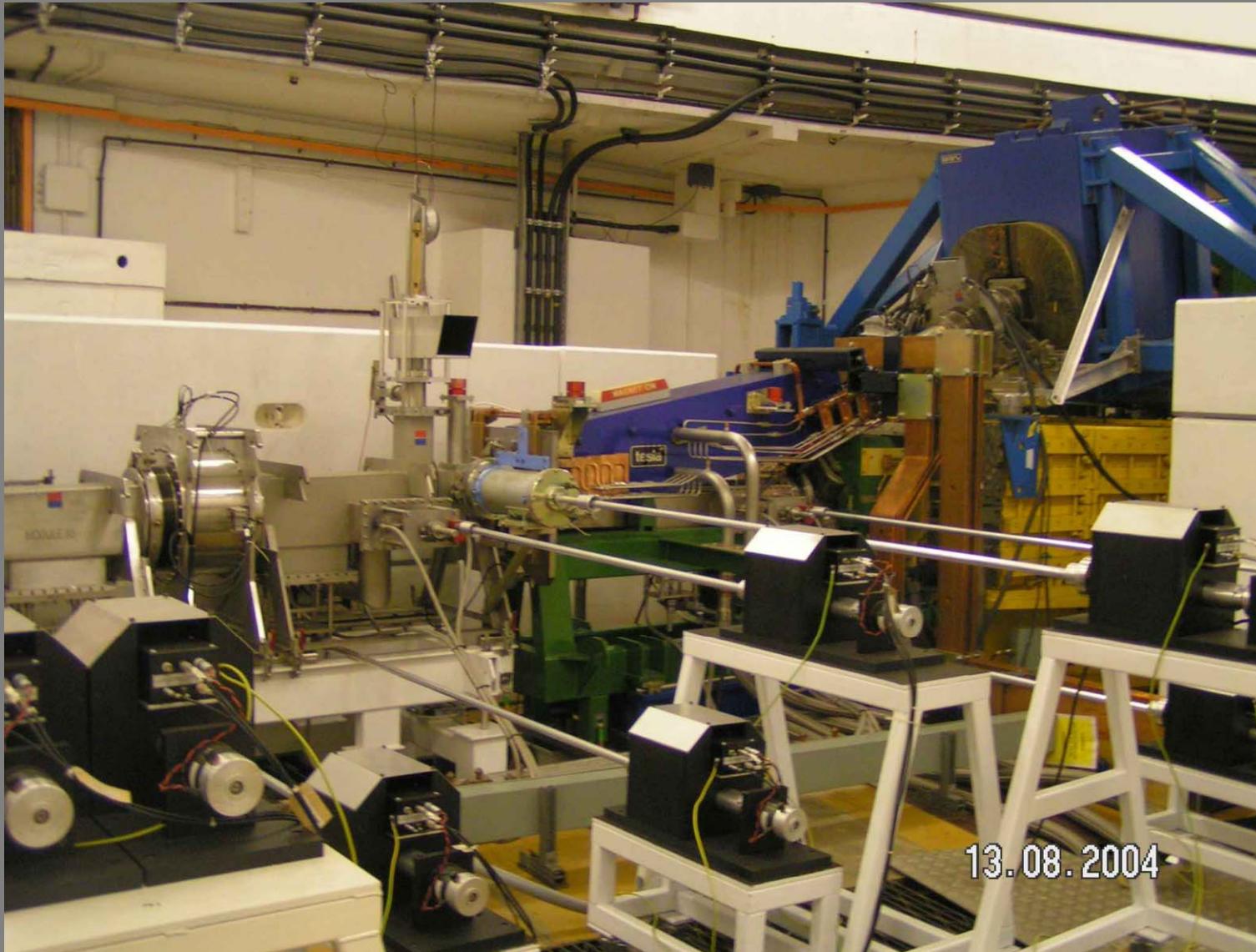
ISIS experimental hall



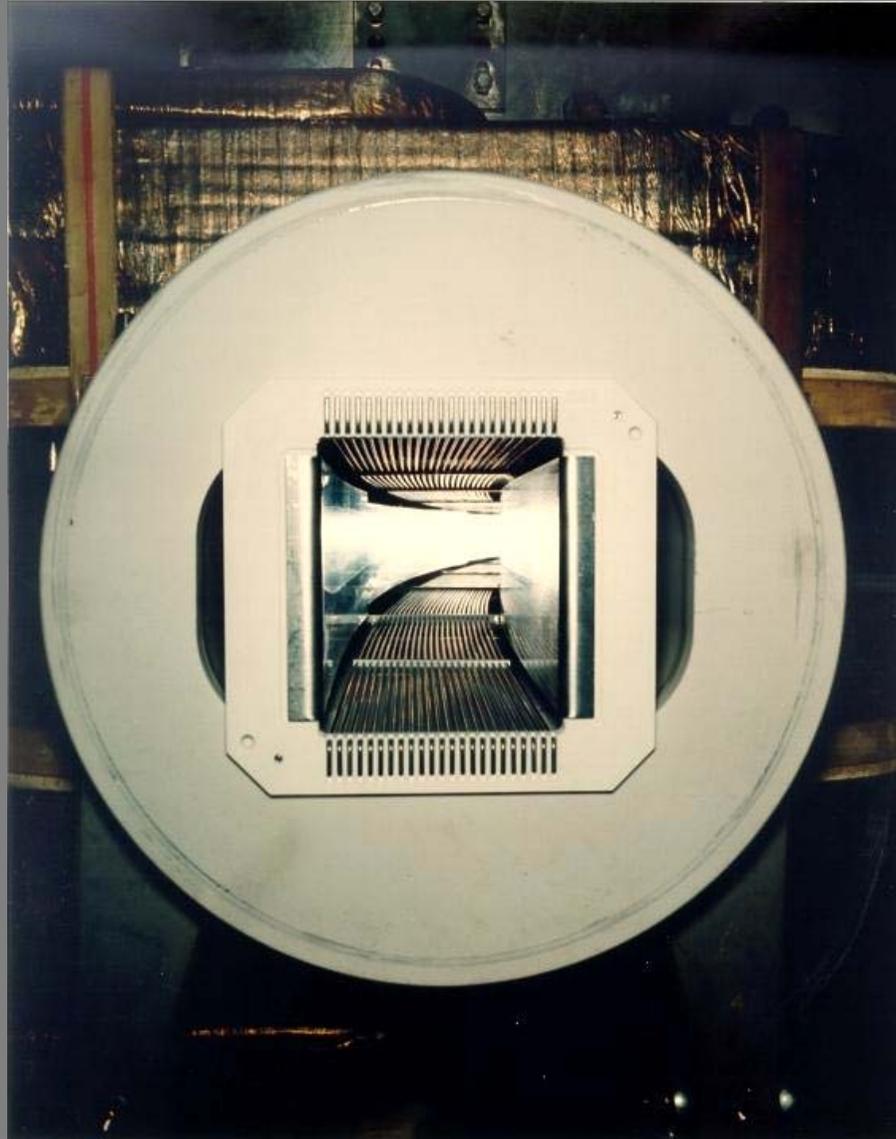
Old extraction straight with collimators



New extraction straight with collimators and septum



New extraction straight with collimators and septum (2)



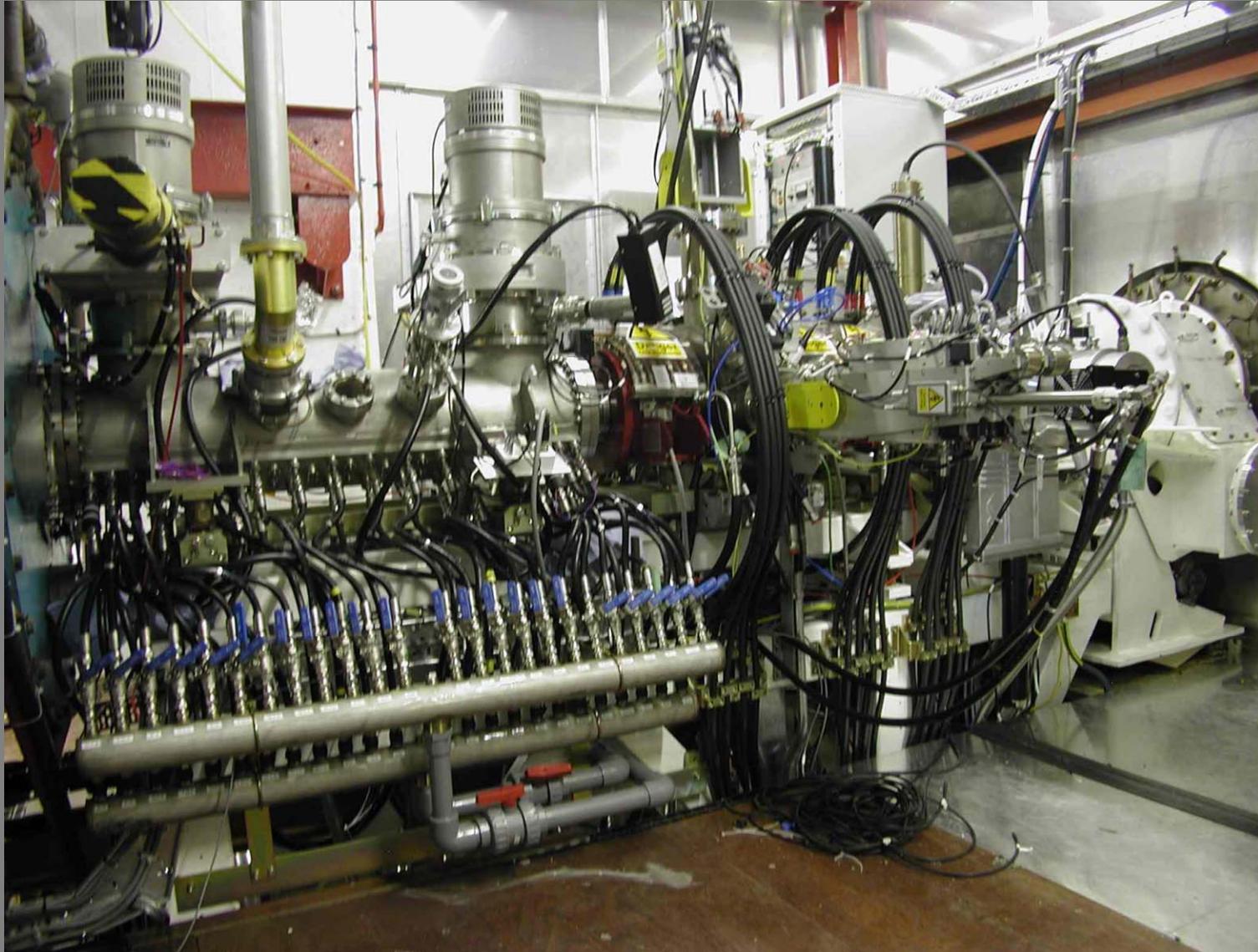
RF screen inside ceramic vacuum chamber



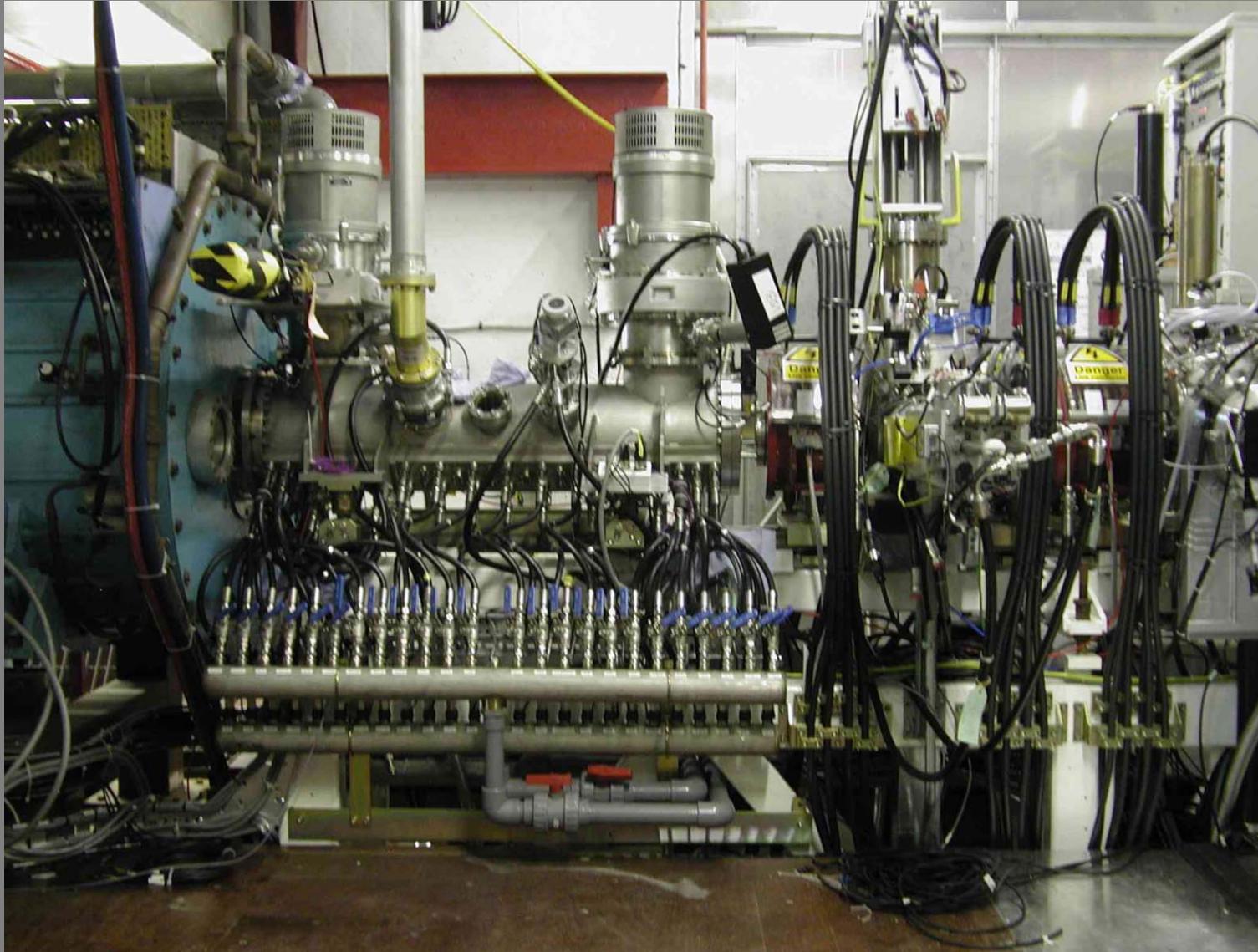
New collimators, looking downstream



Old Cockcroft-Walton 665 kV H<sup>-</sup> pre-injector



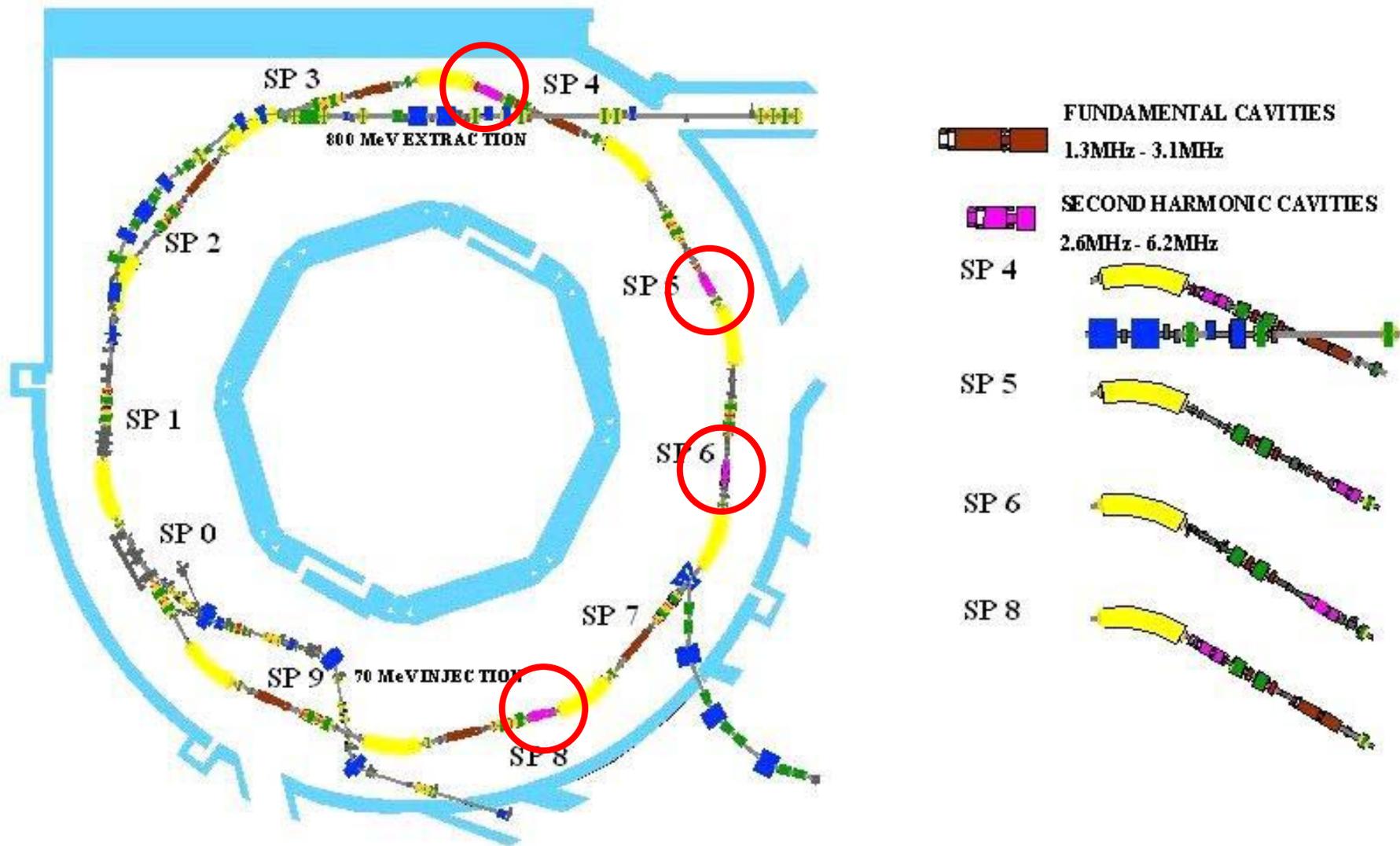
665 keV 202.5 MHz four-rod RFQ pre-injector  
(Frankfurt - RAL collaboration)



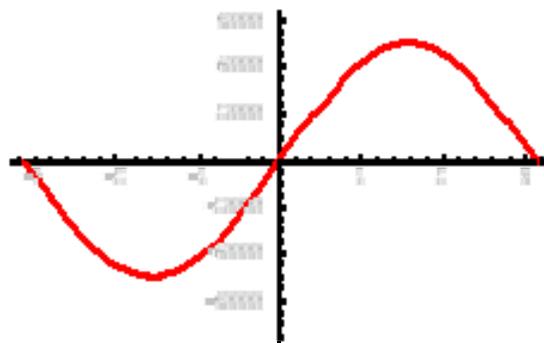
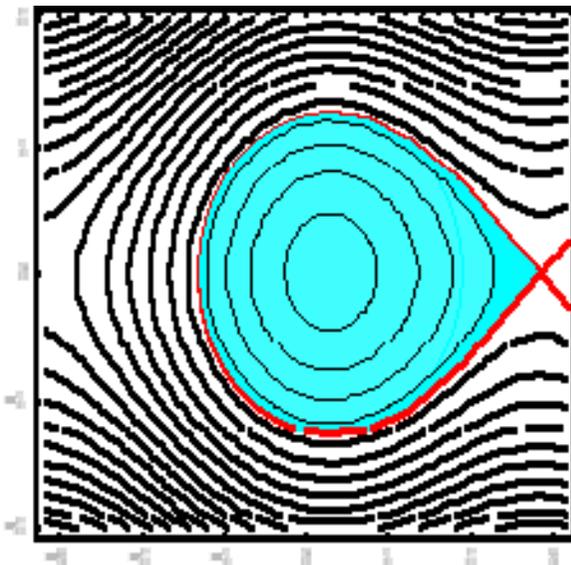
RFQ closely coupled to Tank 1 of drift tube linac



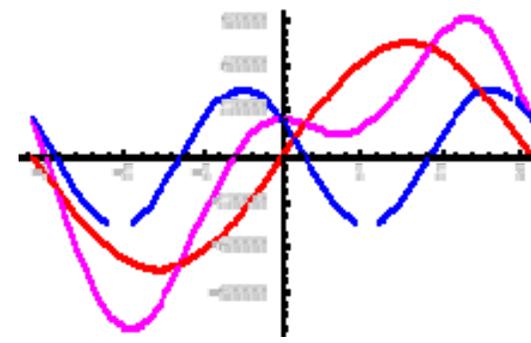
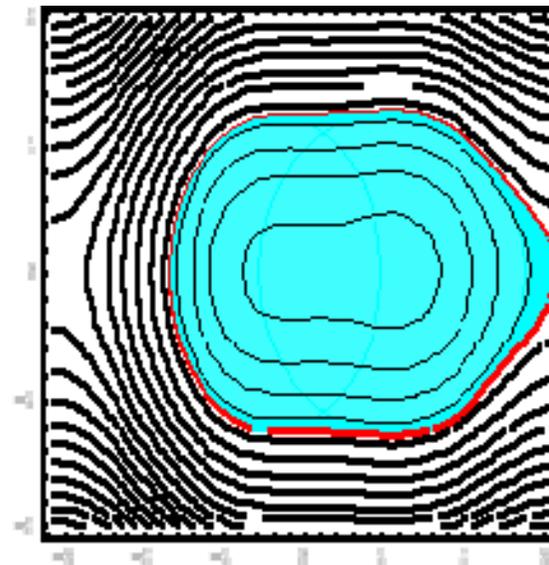
RFQ 202.5 MHz rod and stem structure



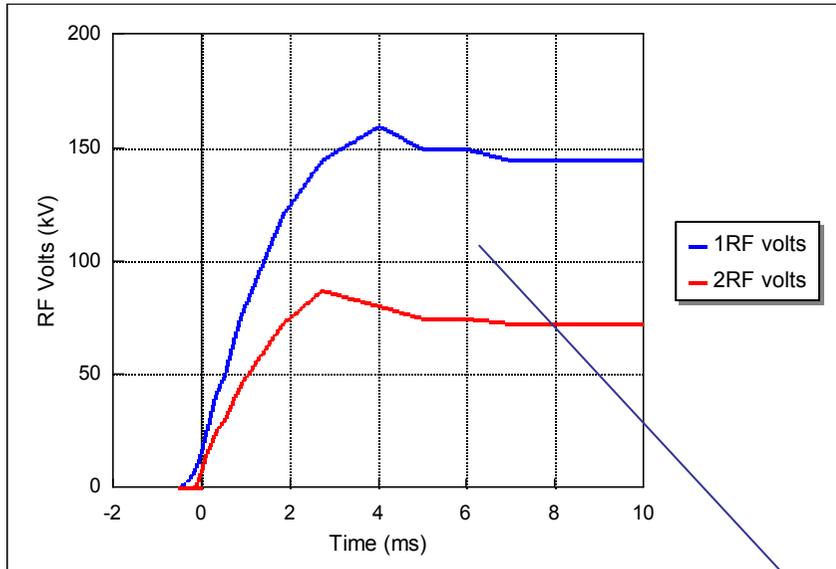
Four 2RF cavities in Straights 4, 5, 6 & 8



1RF

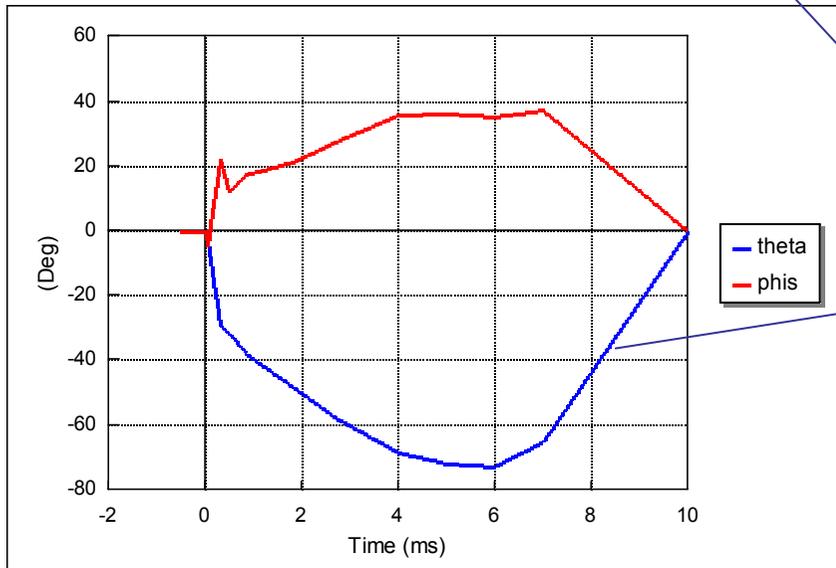


1RF + 2RF

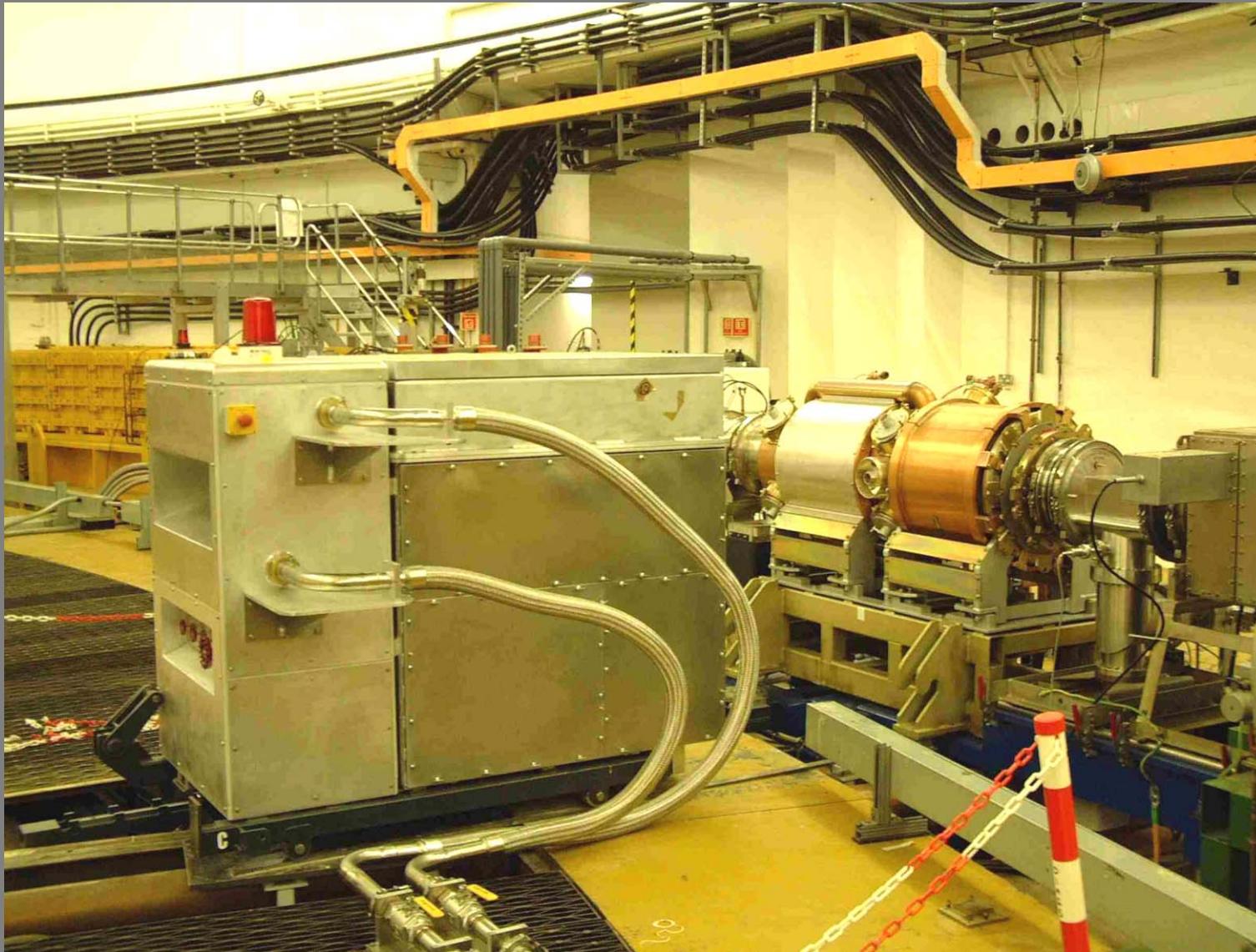


RF voltage

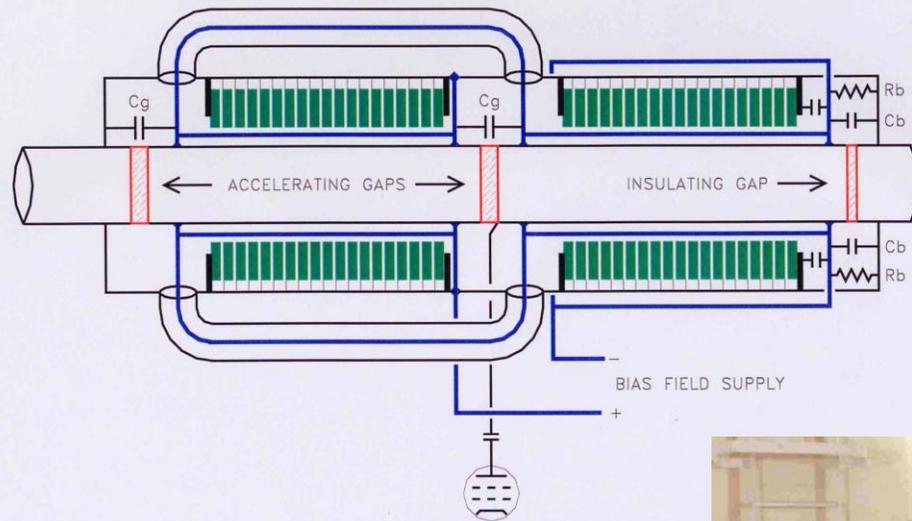
$$V = V_0(\sin\phi + \delta \sin(2\phi + \theta))$$



$\delta$  and  $\theta$  chosen to minimise loss during injection, trapping and acceleration cycle

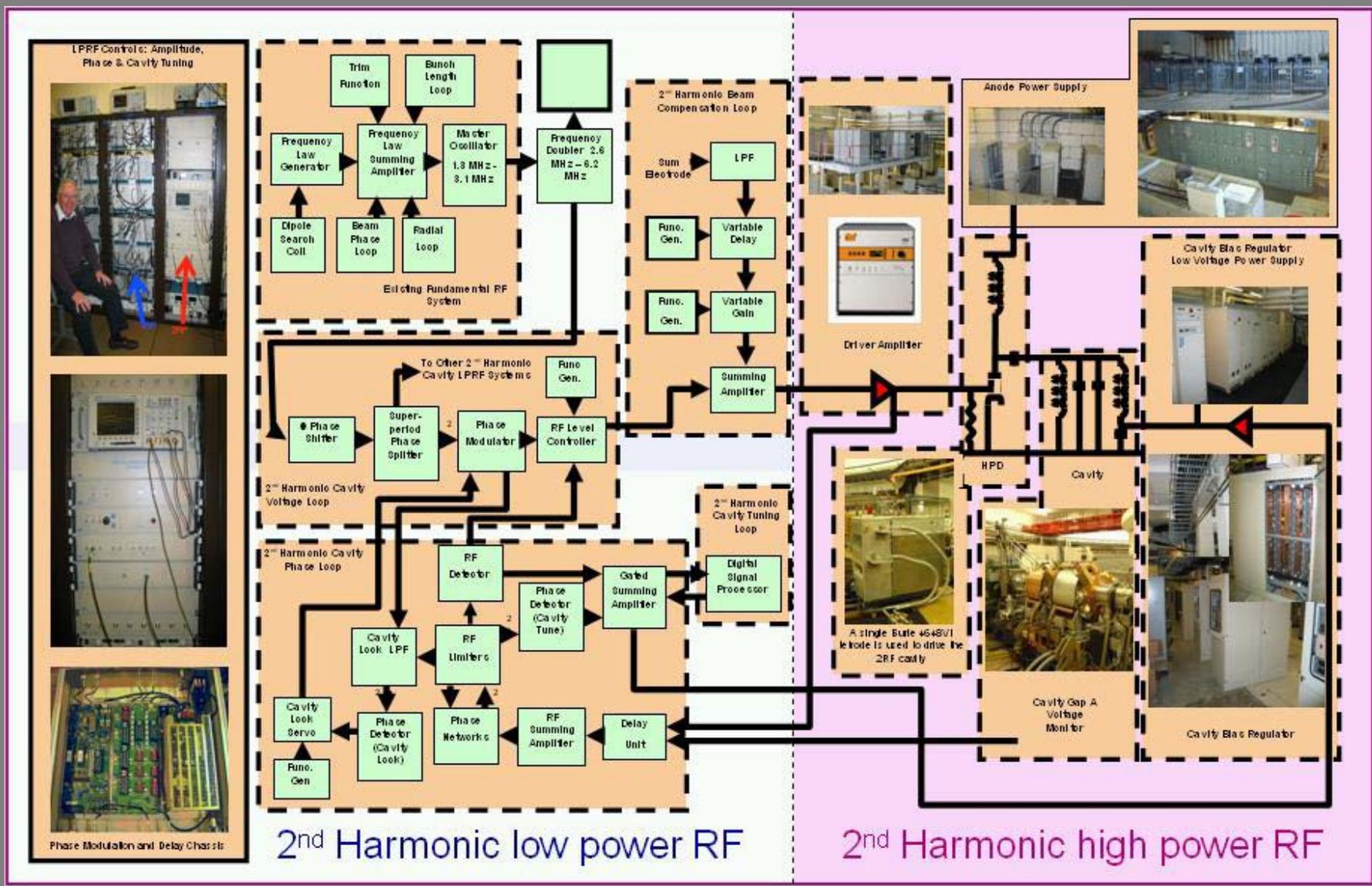


2RF:      High power driver      Cavity



Ferrite-loaded 2RF cavity  
 2.6 - 6.2 MHz over 10 ms  
 (200 - 2000 A bias)





2RF schematic

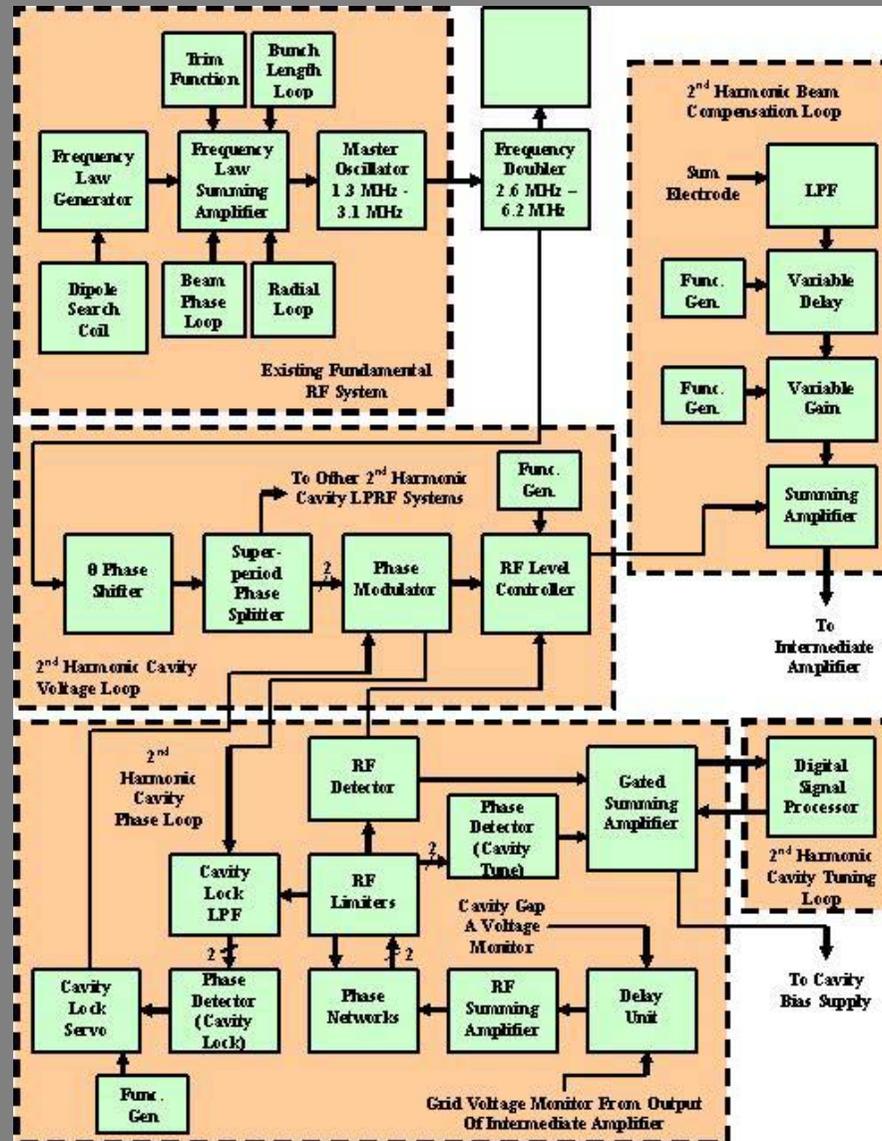
Frequency sweeper

Voltage loop

Phase loop

Beam compensation loop

Cavity tuning



2RF control block diagram

Progress on dual harmonic RF system

Hardware commissioning complete

Odd teething trouble

Commissioning with beam being fitted around user programme – restrictive in practice

Scheduled to run DHRF in user cycle starting September

Details: Seville, MOPCH114  
Appelbee, THPCH111

## Low output impedance RF cavity driver

To reduce sensitivity to beam-induced voltages in cavities

Original aim was cathode follower

Now anode follower  
(tube analogue of inverting op-amp circuit)

LOI HPD output impedance 30 - 50  $\Omega$

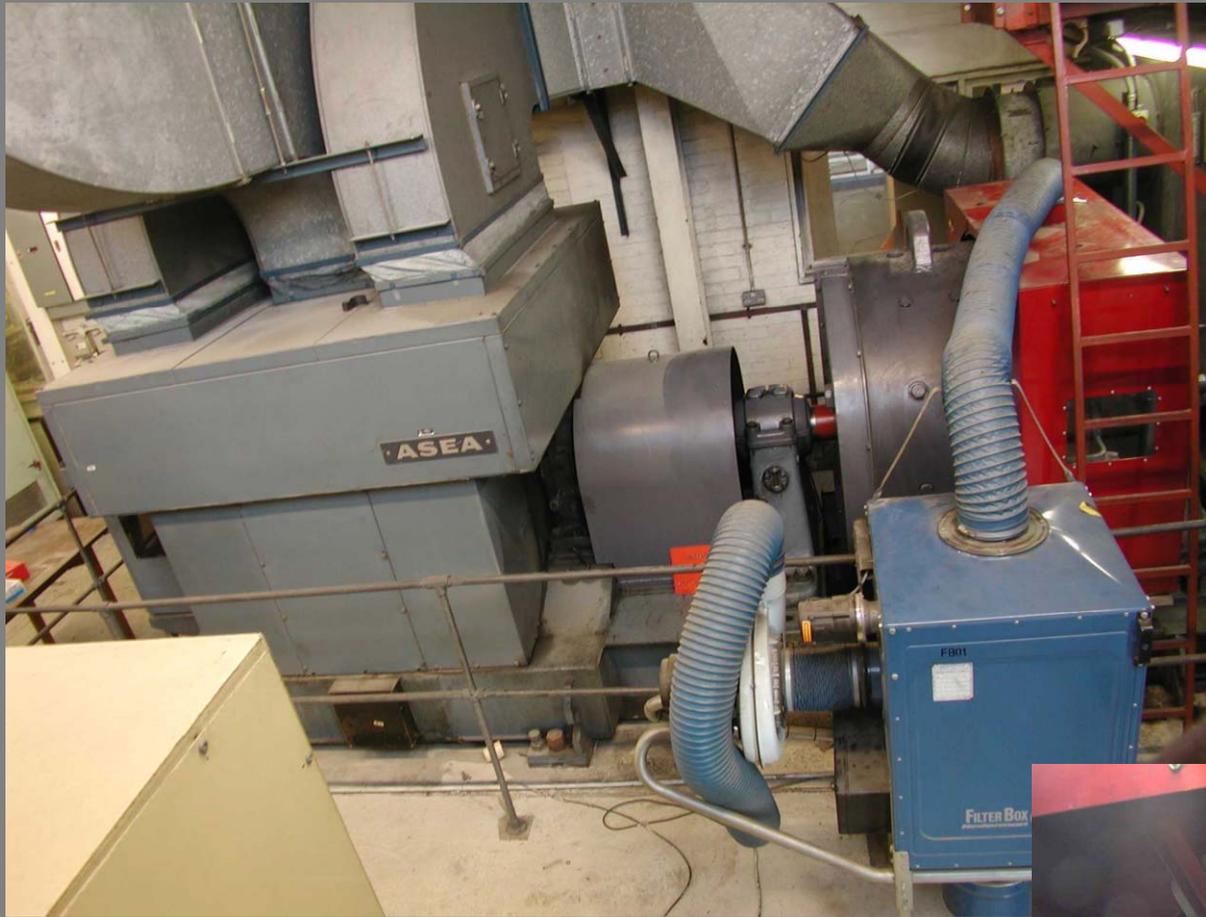
Normal ISIS HPD output impedance ~few k $\Omega$

Factor ~100 reduction





Old and new chokes for synchrotron main magnet power supply



Old motor-alternator set for  
800 A p-p AC current for  
synchrotron main magnets





New UPSs for AC current for synchrotron main magnets

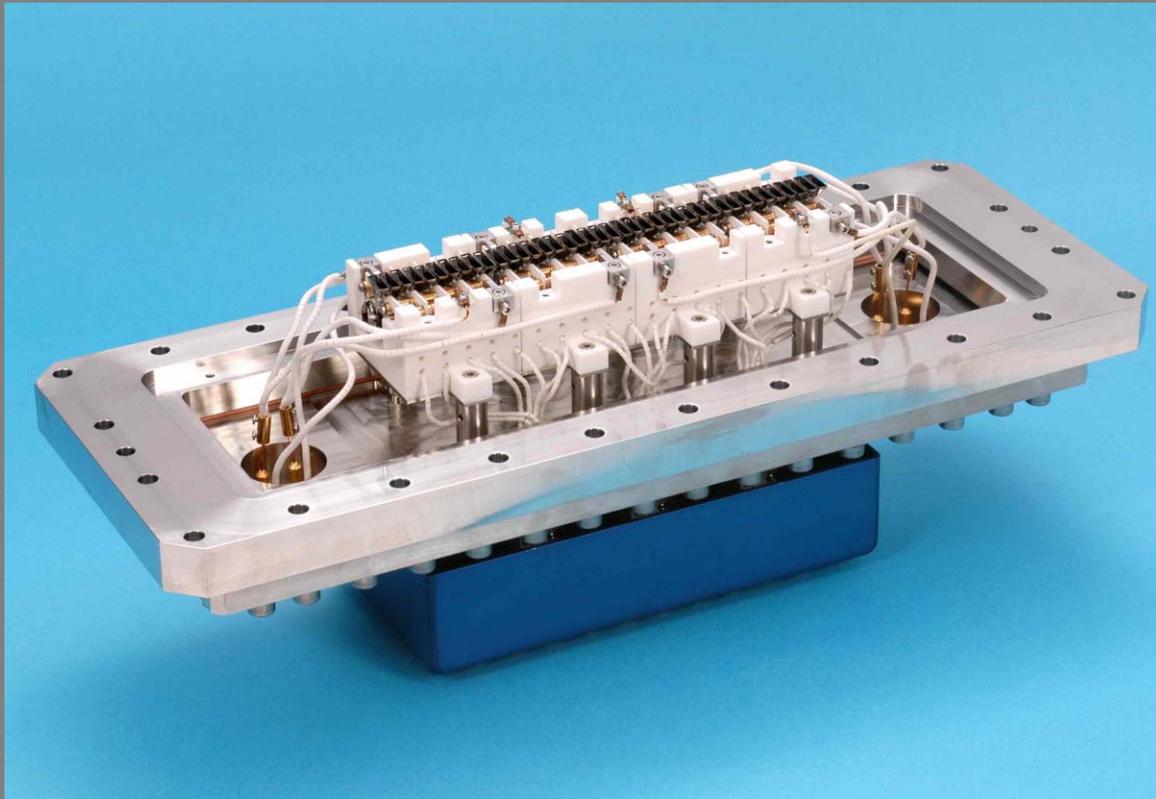


Old capacitor bank for resonating at 50 Hz with synchrotron main magnets



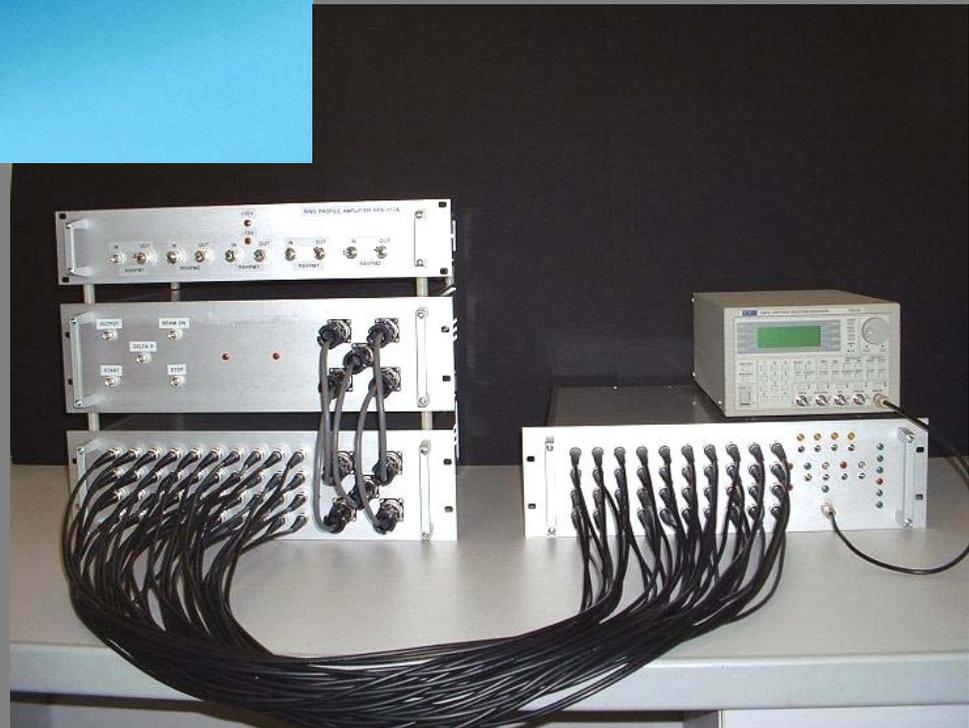


New capacitor bank (~one-third of size)

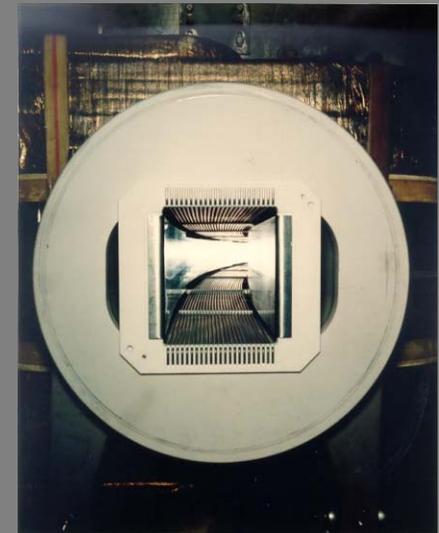
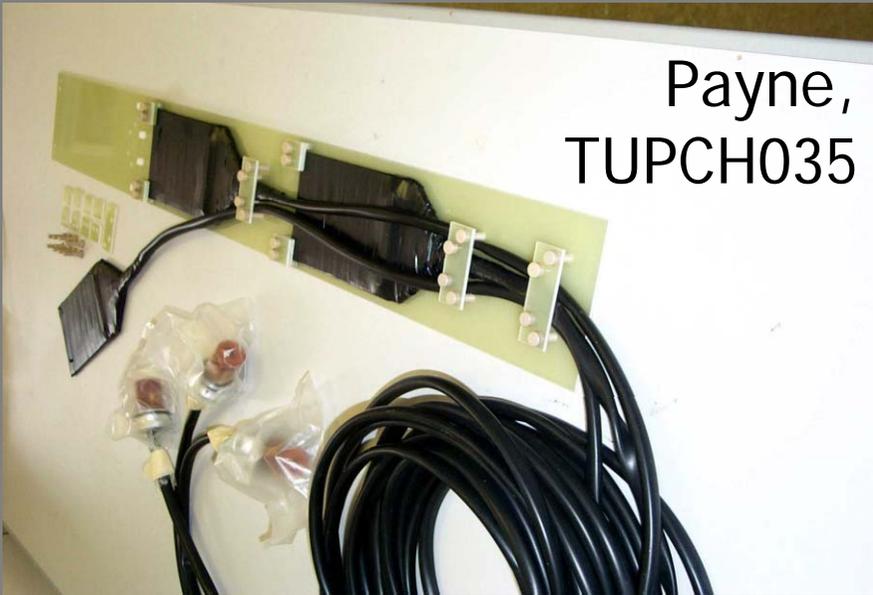


Warsop, MOPCH115  
Pine, TUPCH036

Multi-channel residual gas  
ionisation beam profile  
monitor



Payne,  
TUPCH035



Scintillator-based beam loss monitors



Optimised for cold neutron production

Low repetition rate

10 Hz

100 ms frame

Low power

48 kW

60  $\mu$ A

TS-2 Instrument	Performance <i>cf.</i> TS-1	Performance <i>cf.</i> ILL	Particular features
INTER	<b>x 20</b> compared to SURF	World Leading	Wide simultaneous Q range
poIREF	<b>x 20</b> compared to SURF / CRISP	World Leading	Wide simultaneous Q range, control of polarization direction
offSPEC	<b>x 20</b> compared to SURF	World Leading Unique capability	Wide Q <sub>x</sub> , Q <sub>y</sub> range . First instrument dedicated to off-specular studies
SANS2a/b	<b>x 40</b> compared to LOQ	Comparable to D22 at ILL	Particularly wide simultaneous Q range. Q min limited to 0.002 Å <sup>-1</sup>
NIMROD	<b>x 10</b> compared to SANDALS for Q 0.01 to 1 Å <sup>-1</sup> with comparable resolution	World leading Unique capability	High Q range, extended to low Q values
LMX	<b>x 40</b> compared to SXD	Highly competitive with VIVALDI at ILL	Quasi Laue: benefits from TOF
HRPD-2	<b>x 10</b> compared to HRPD for d spacings > 1.5Å	World Leading	Emphasis on larger structures, highest resolution
WISH	<b>x 10</b> compared to GEM for d-spacings > 10Å	World leading for high resolution magnetic powder diffraction	Dedicated high resolution magnetic powder diffractometer
LET	<b>x 10</b> compared to MARI at 10 meV; unique access to lower energies.	World Leading	Wide dynamic range: 0.01 to 80meV Position sensitive detector
HERBI	<b>x 10</b> better resolution than IRIS, wider dynamic range, similar flux	Highly competitive with IN16 at ILL	Particularly wide dynamic range



Aerial view with location of Second Target Station



Hill to be removed



Hill being removed – 1



Hill being removed – 2



Hill removed



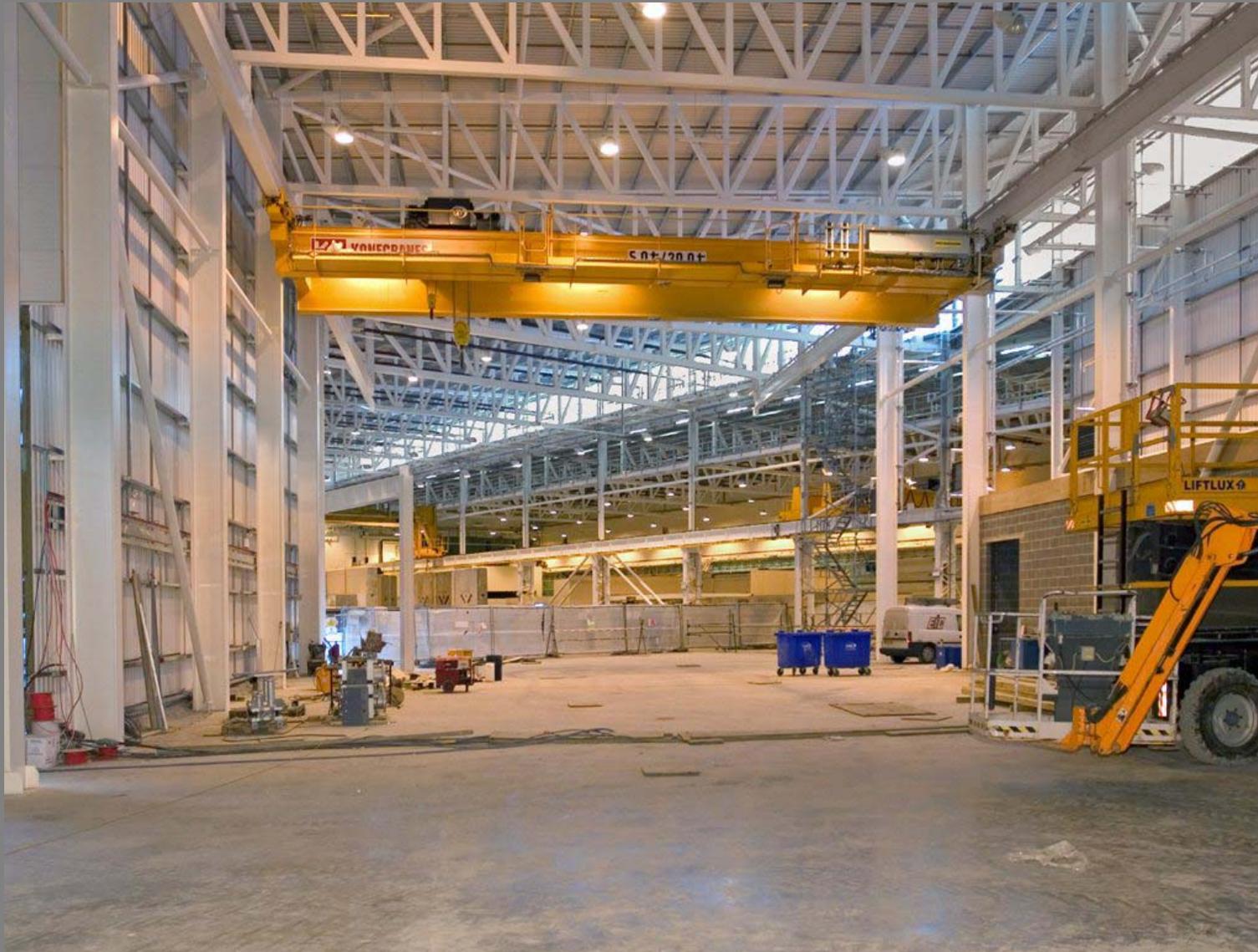
Building starts on excavated site



Second Target Station (TS-2) at present

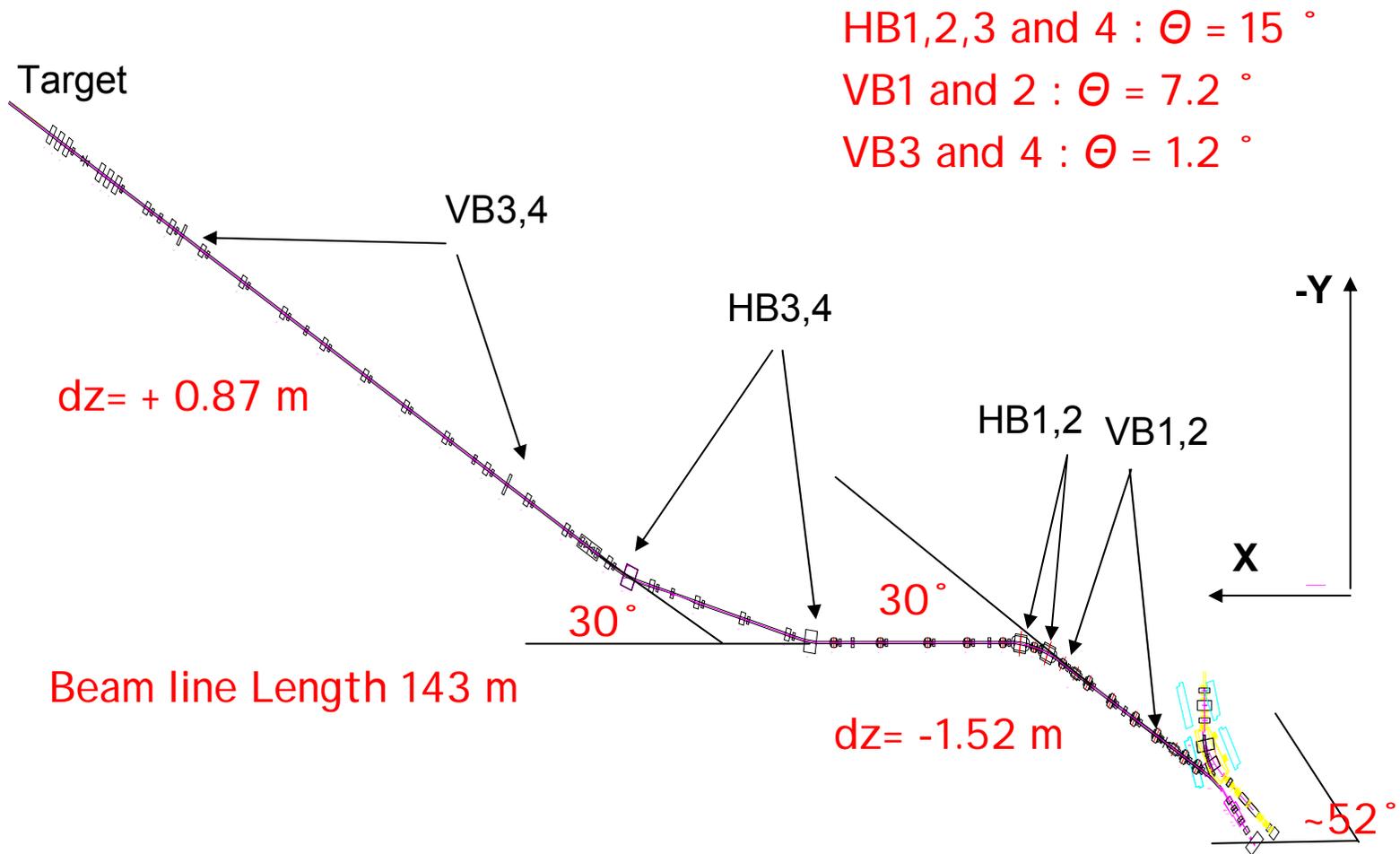


Reconfiguration of existing buildings

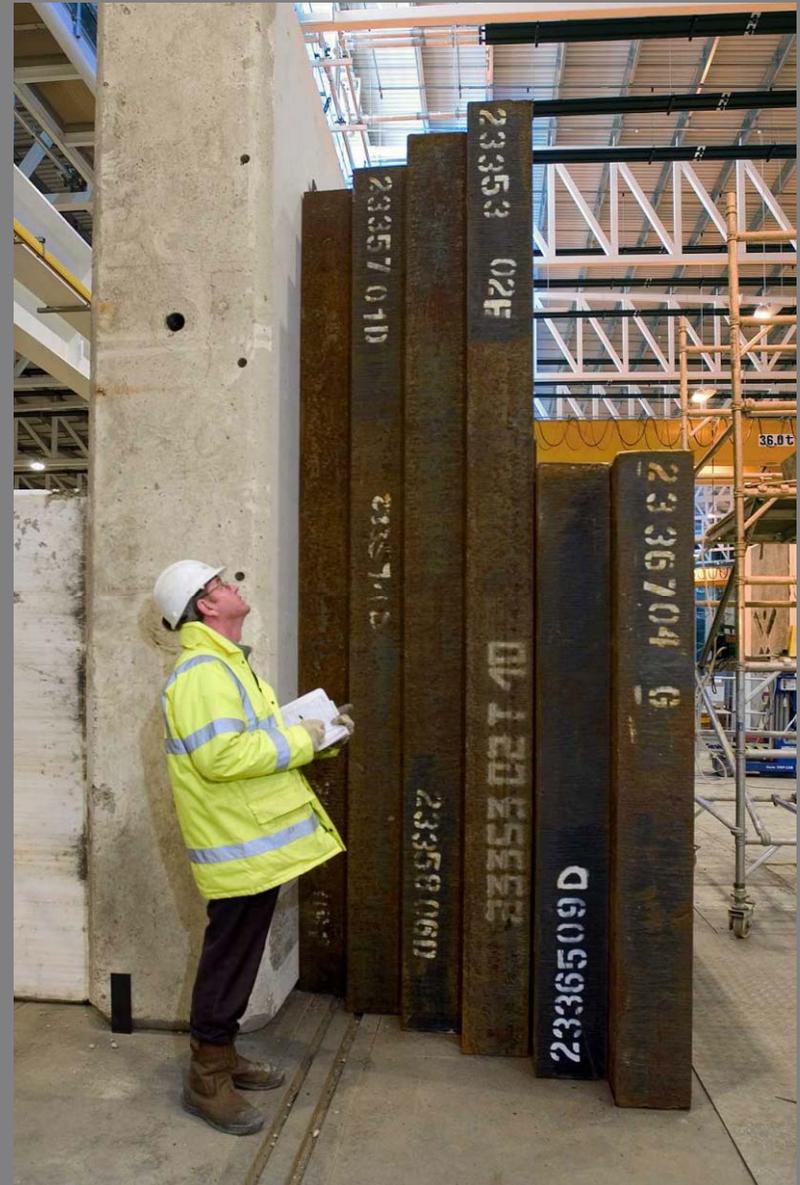


Route of proton beam line to TS-2 (looking upstream)

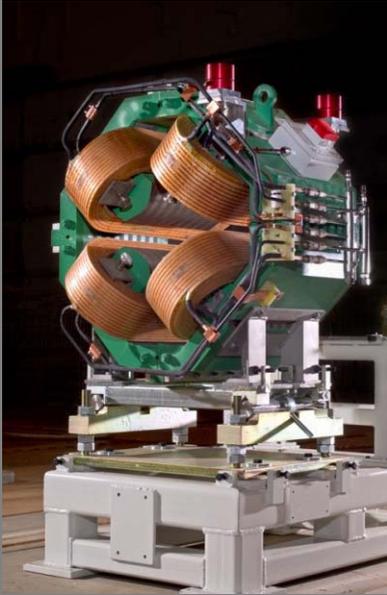




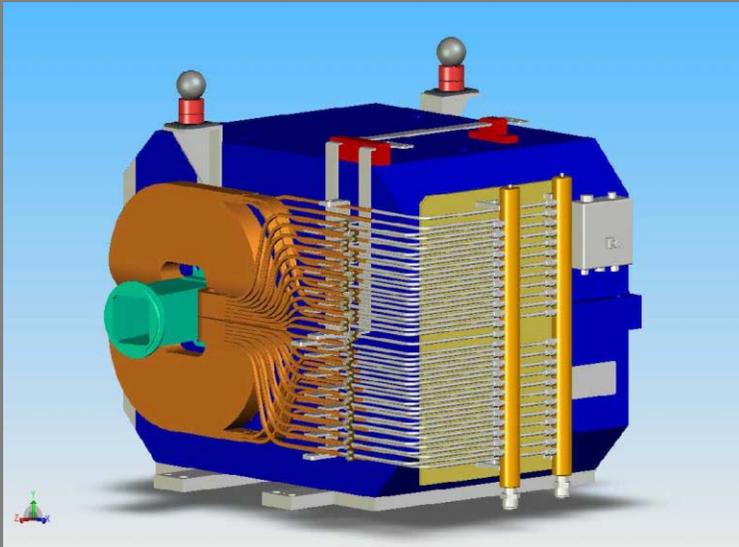
At target: 36 mm diameter, non-divergent, achromatic



Shielding around proton beam line to TS-2

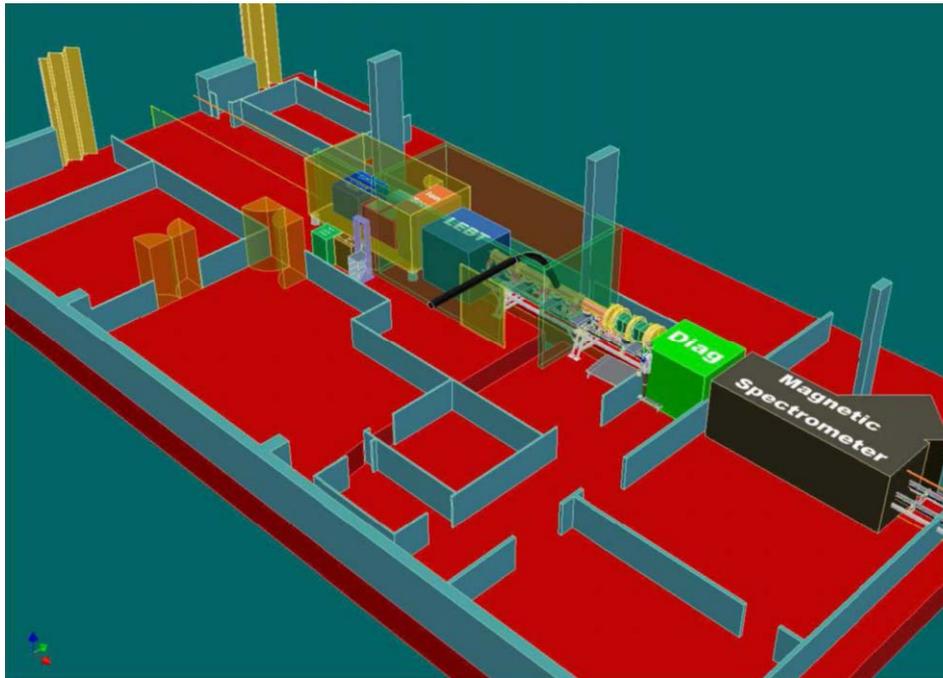


Birch,  
WEPLS119



Magnets for new proton beam line to TS-2

## RAL Front End Test Stand



### Posters

MOPCH112

MOPCH116

MOPCH117

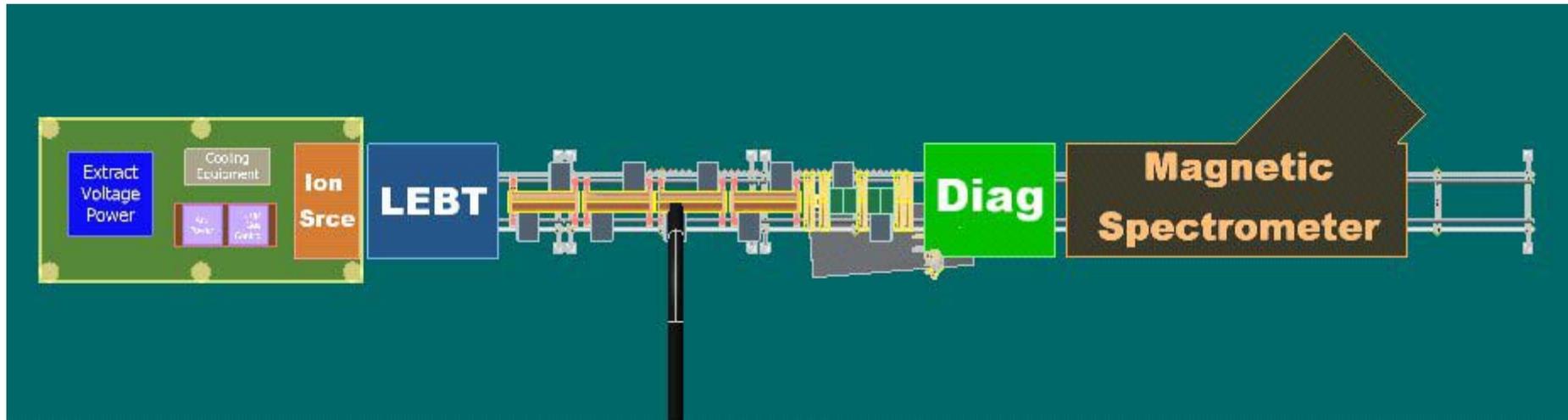
TUPCH019

TUPCH037

TUPLS088

TUPLS090

1. Demonstration of high quality chopped beam for HPPAs
2. Front end of possible new ISIS linac



## Front End Test Stand main components

High brightness  $H^-$  ion source (60 mA, 2 ms, 50 pps)

Magnetic Low Energy Beam Transport (LEBT)

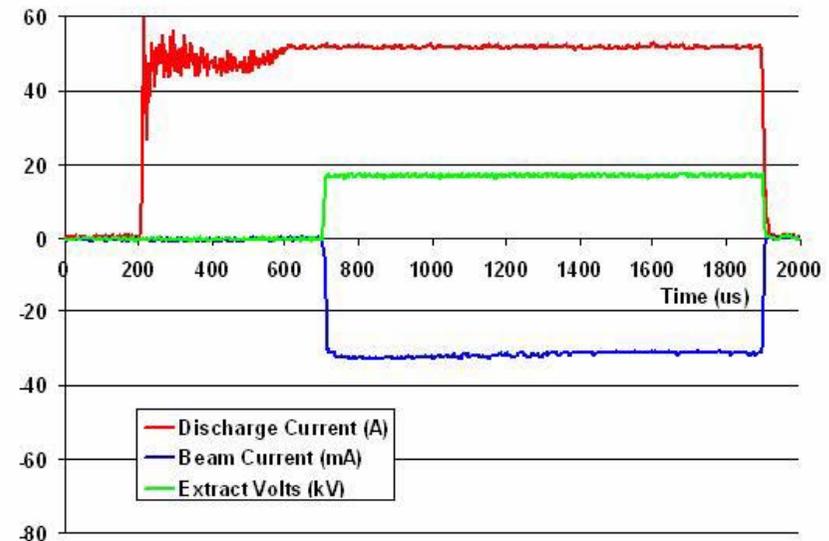
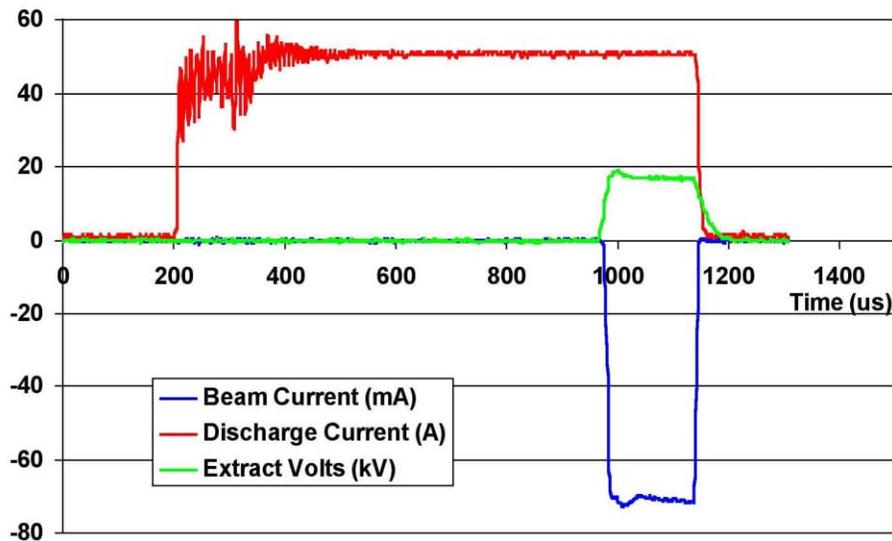
High current, high duty factor RFQ (3 MeV, 324 MHz)

Very high speed beam chopper (1–2 ns switching)

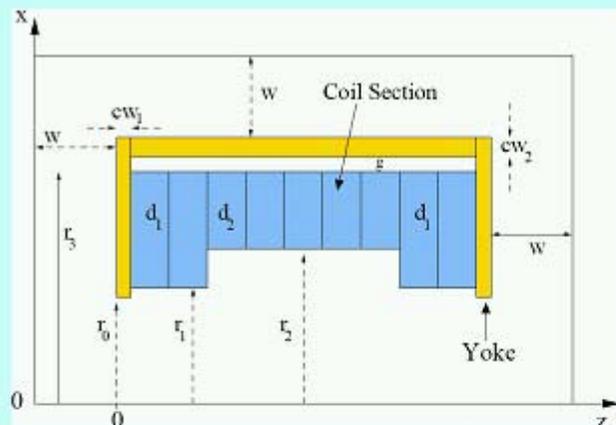
Comprehensive diagnostics

ASTeC - Imperial College - ISIS - Warwick collab. (+ EU)

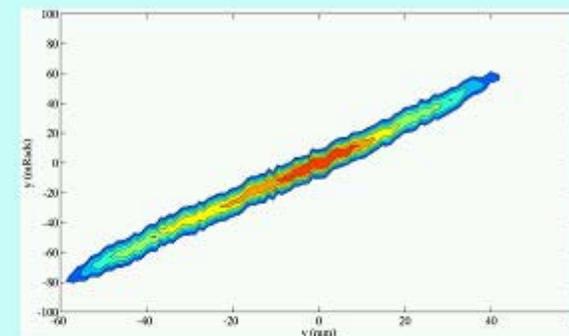
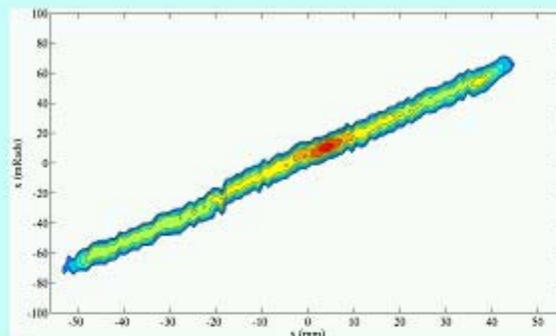
## Ion source development programme – based on ISIS surface Penning source



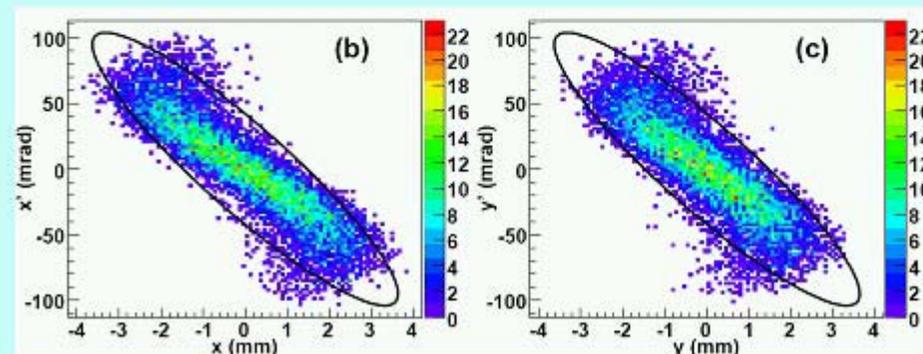
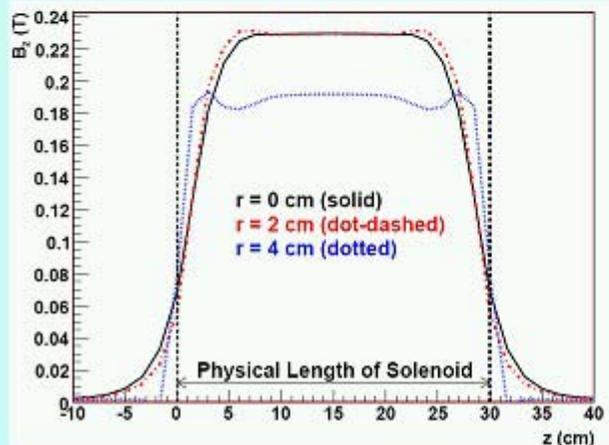
70 mA and 1200  $\mu$ s *cf.* ISIS 35 mA, 200  $\mu$ s



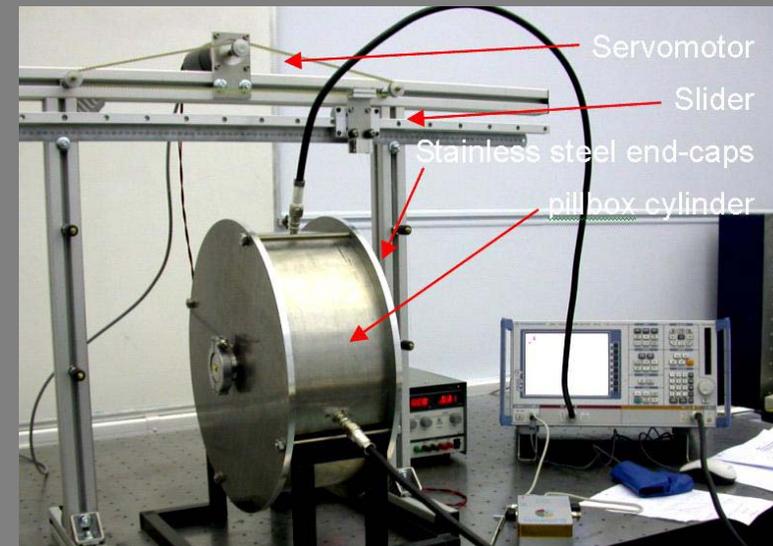
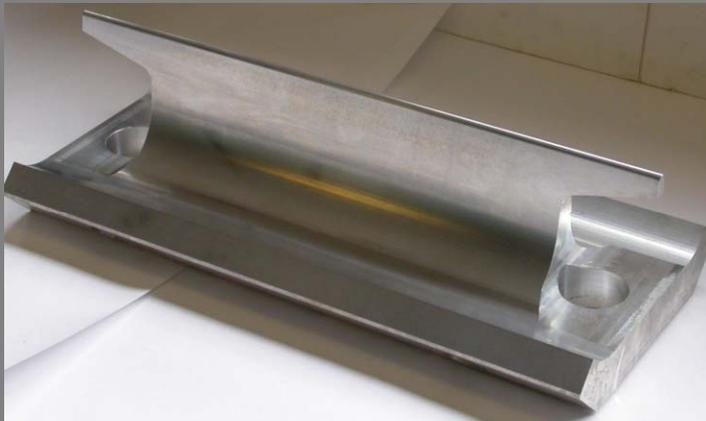
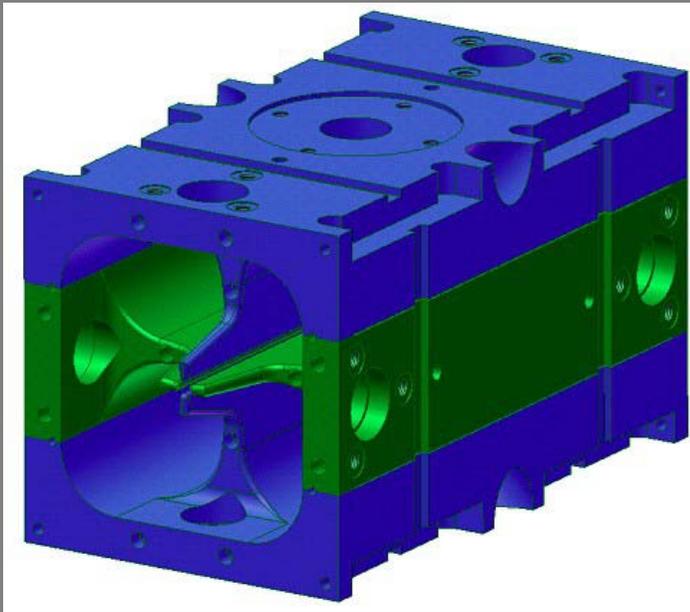
Solenoid design (above) and calculated field (below)



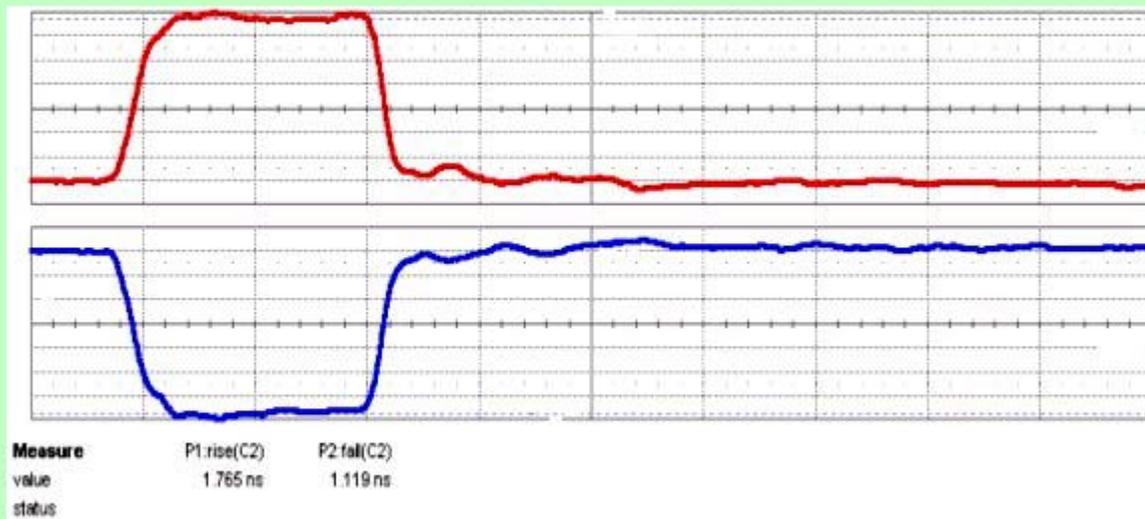
Measured ion source beam (above) and calculated RFQ input beam plus RFQ acceptance (below)



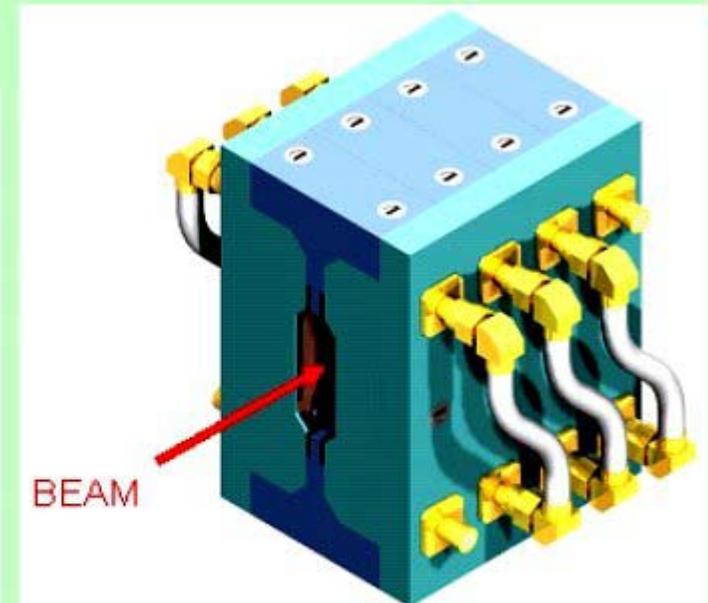
### 3-solenoid magnetic LEBT



324 MHz RFO cold model and bead pull machine



1.4 kV pulses with sub-2-ns rise- and fall-times



A tuneable helical structure with adjustable delays replaces the meander line deflector.

Beam chopper (tandem chopper originally developed for ESS)

MICE – Muon ionisation cooling experiment

International collaboration using muons from parasitic target on ISIS synchrotron (UK, EU, CH, US, Japan)

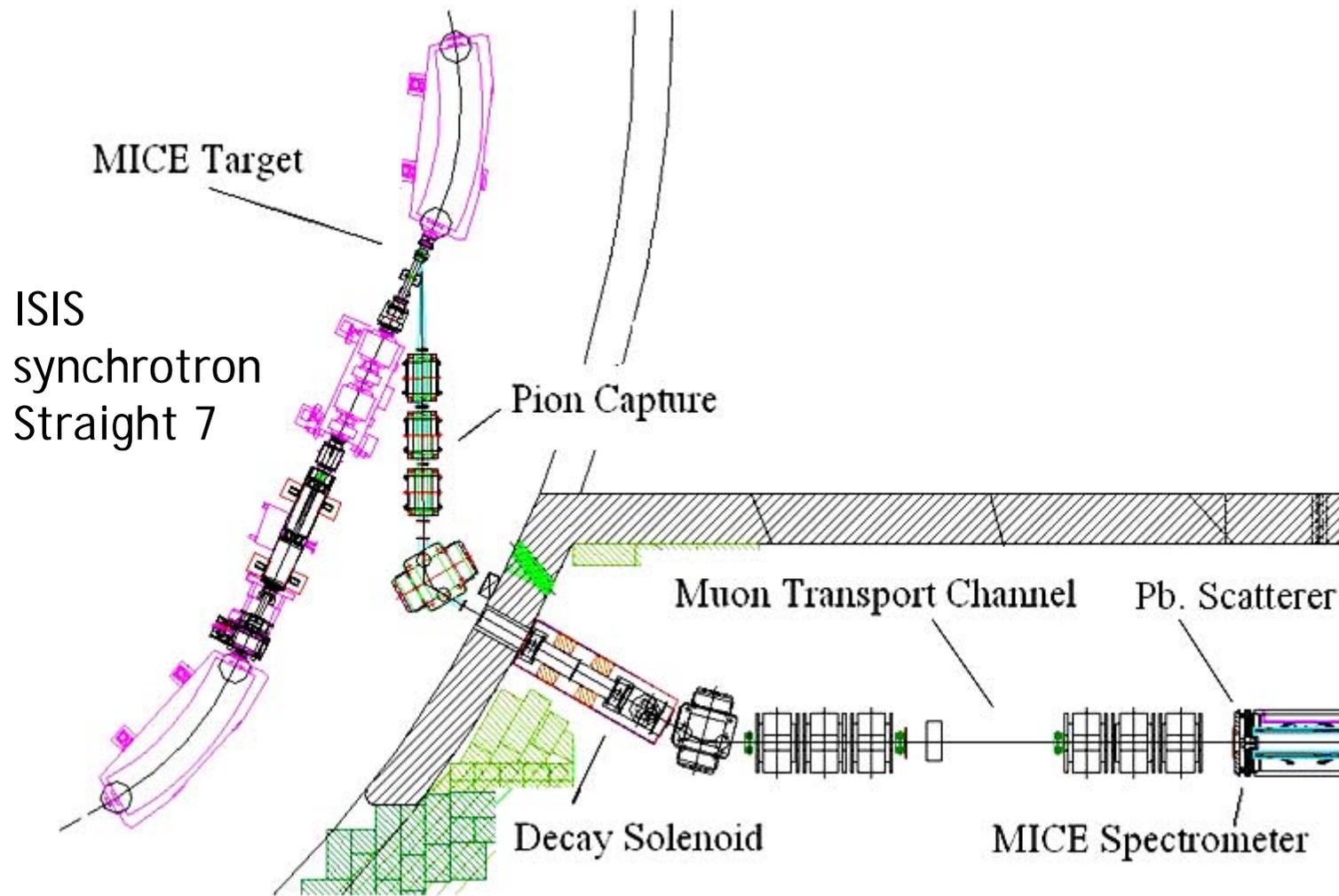
Aim: to design, construct and operate a section of muon cooling channel for a neutrino factory

Integrated into ISIS operations programme

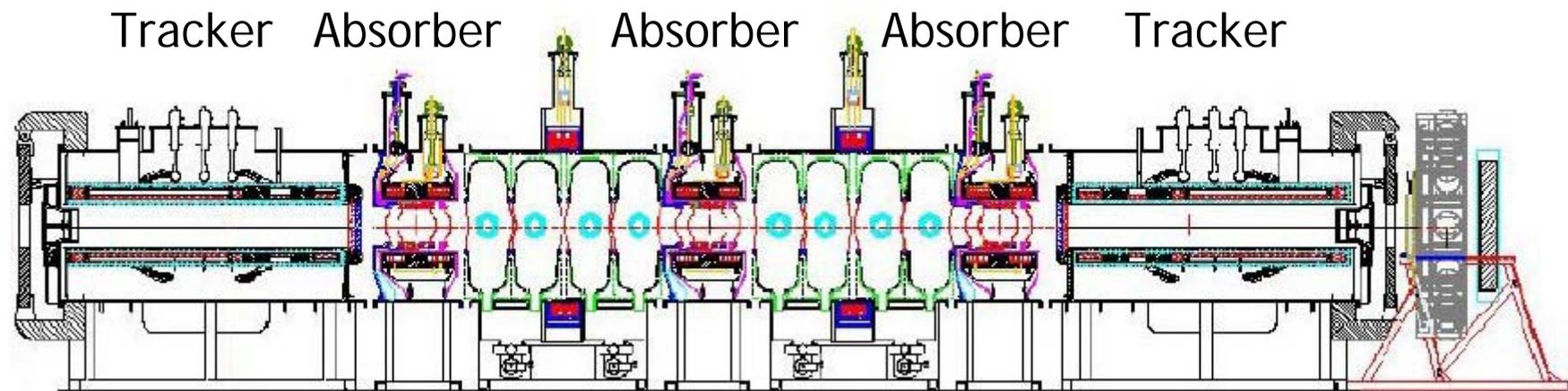
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Tilley, WEPLS002

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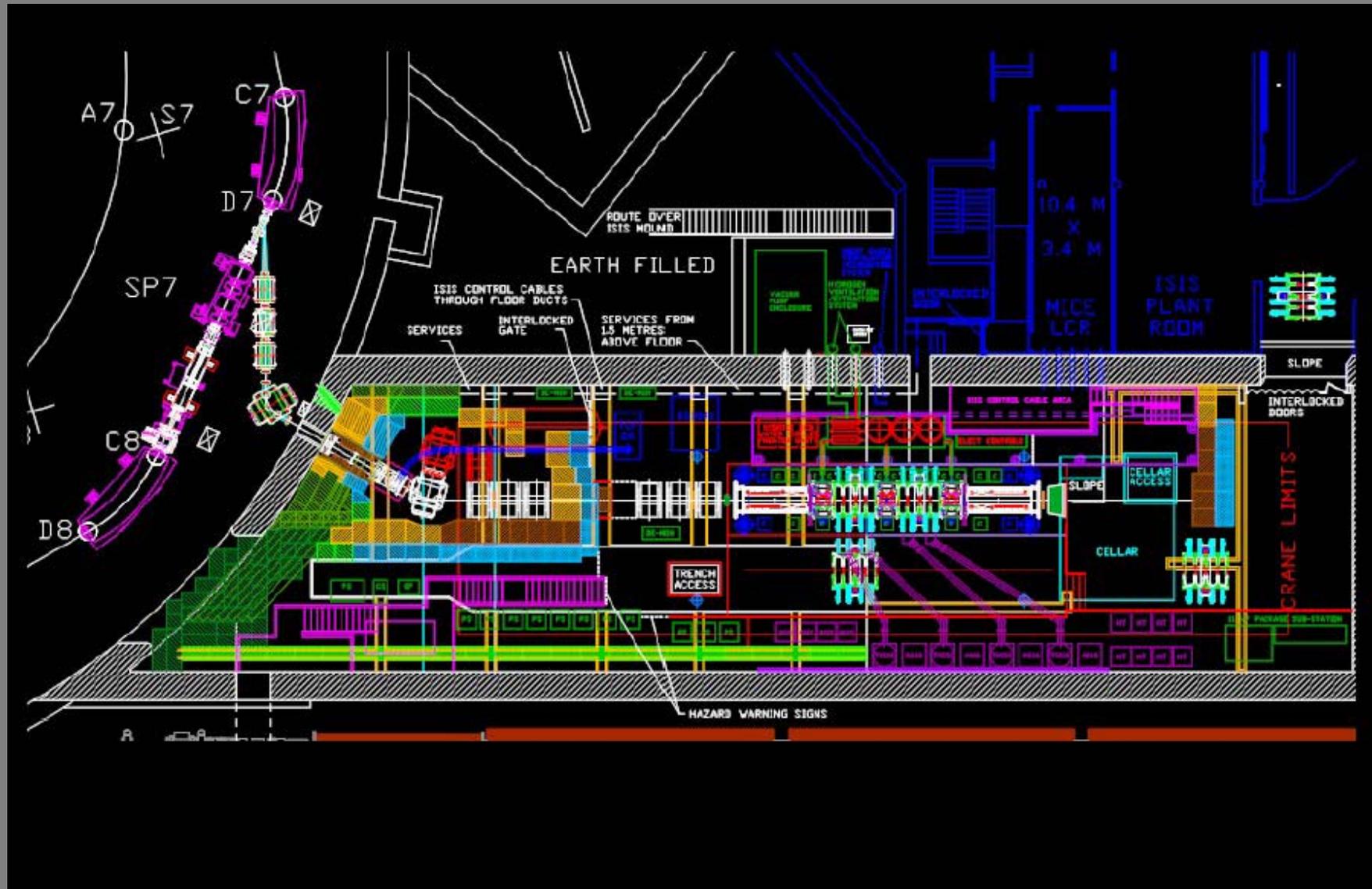
MICE beam line on ISIS synchrotron



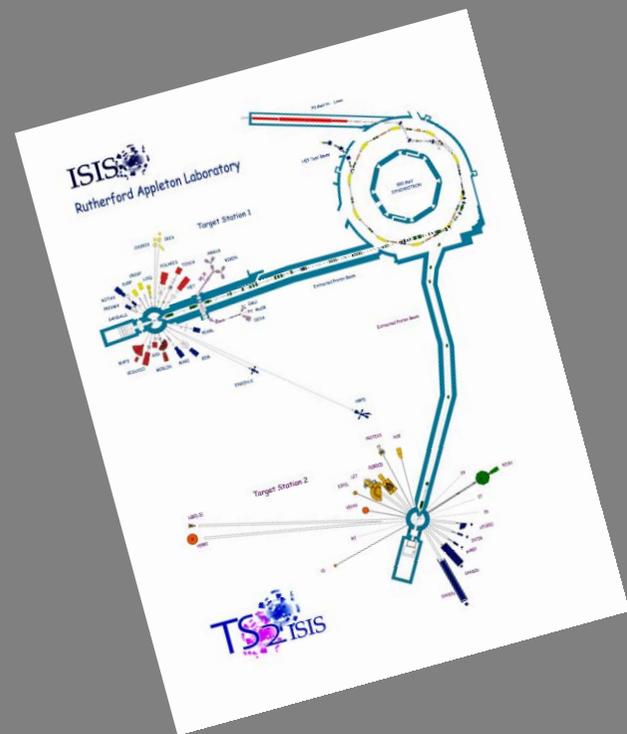
Tracker Absorber Absorber Absorber Tracker

RF cavities RF cavities

Experimental cooling channel



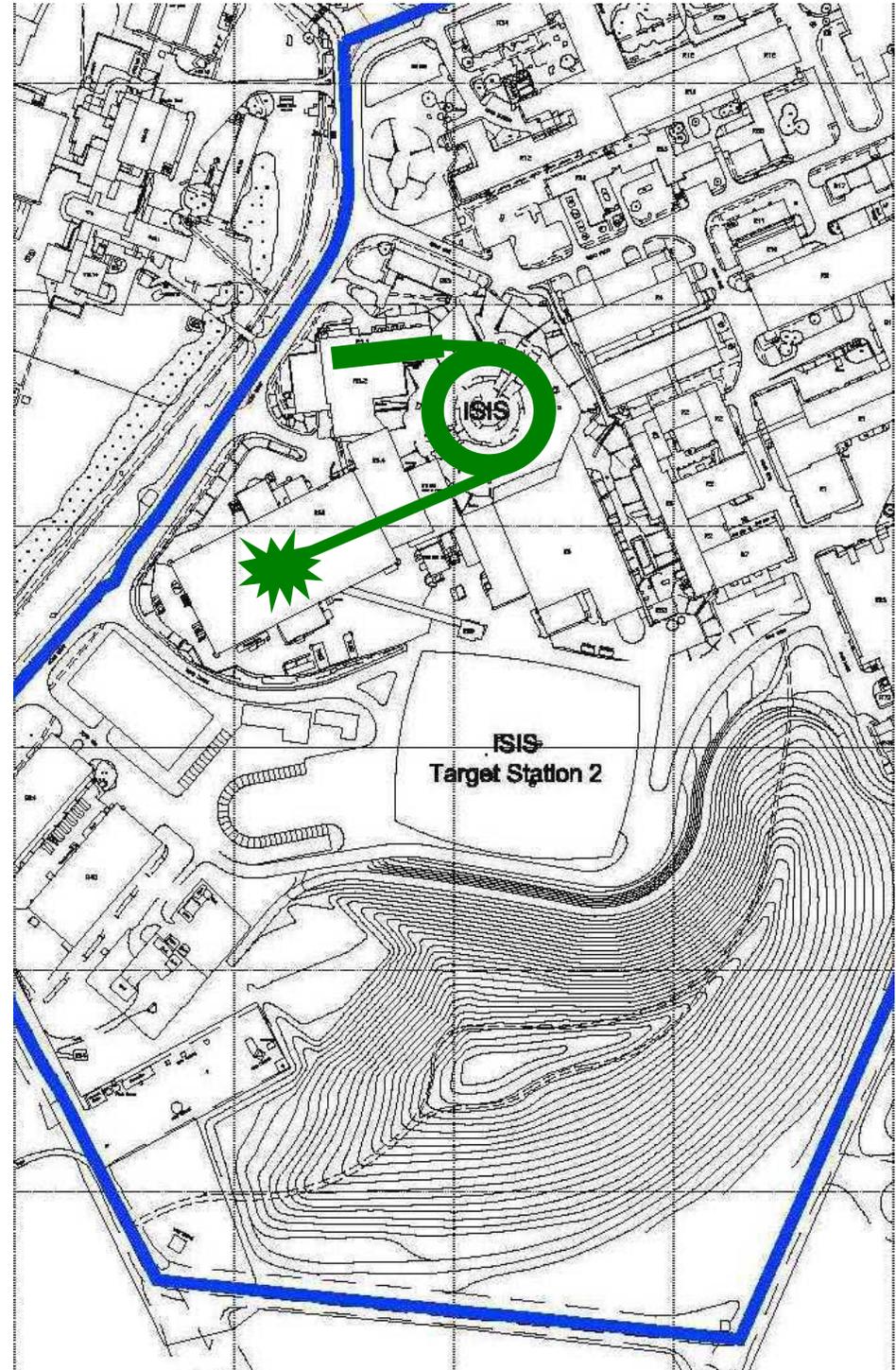
MICE overall layout



ISIS as built

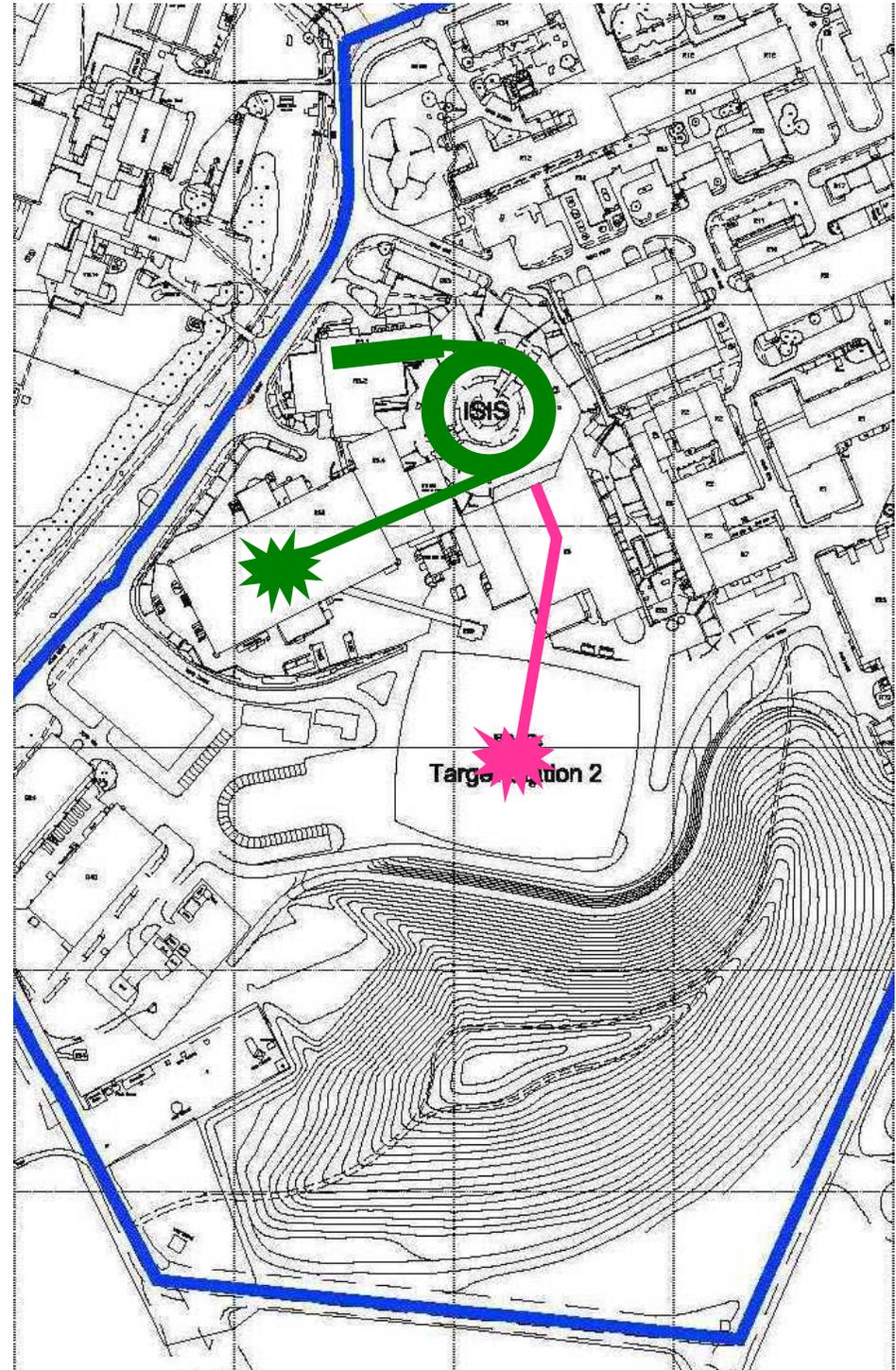
4  $\mu\text{C}$  per pulse

→ 6  $\mu\text{C}$  with 2RF



Second Target Station (TS-2) being built

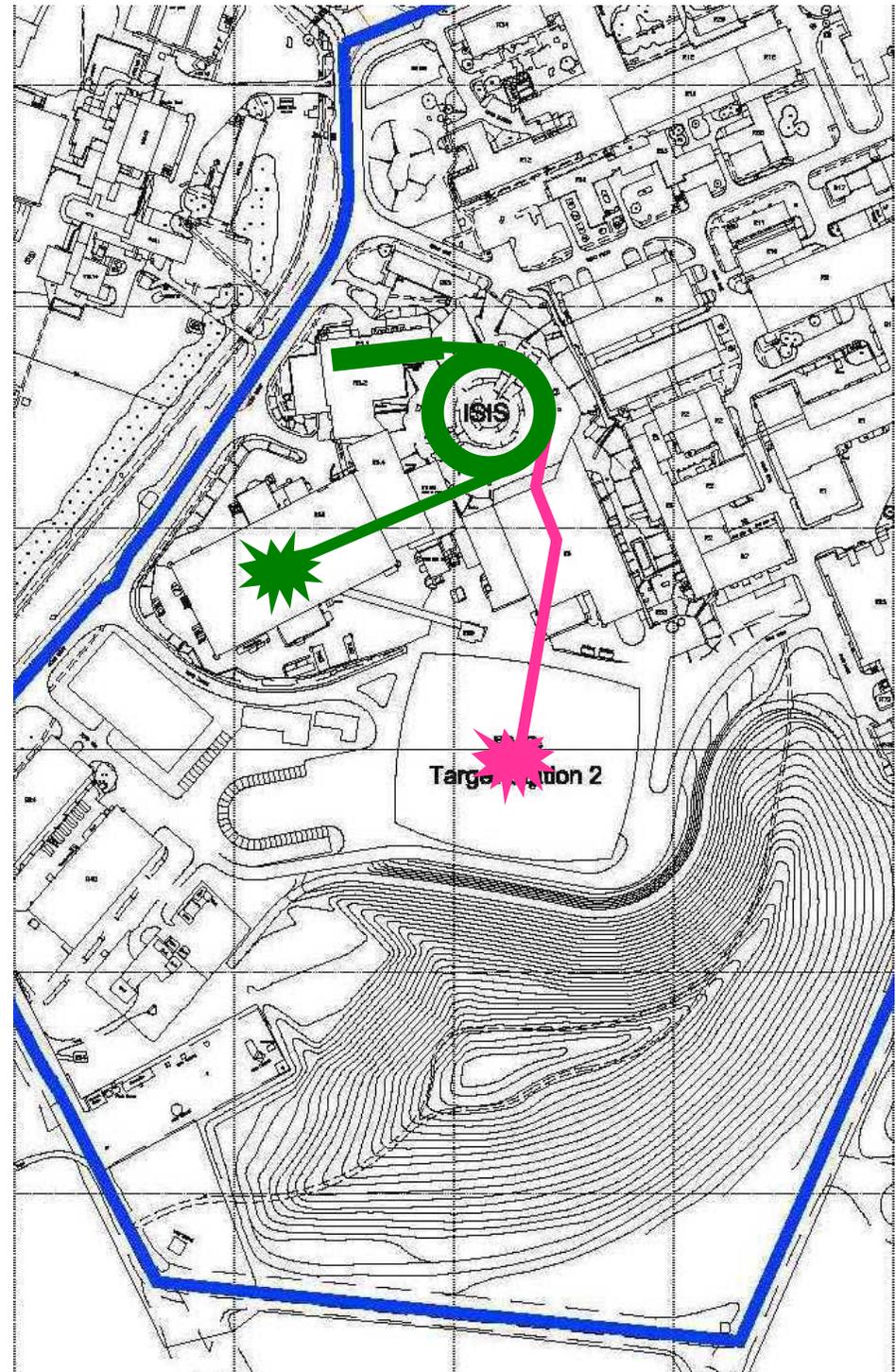
Existing target station (TS-1) continues to run



Beam line EPB-2 to  
TS-2 joined to  
synchrotron

First protons to  
TS-2: Oct. 2007

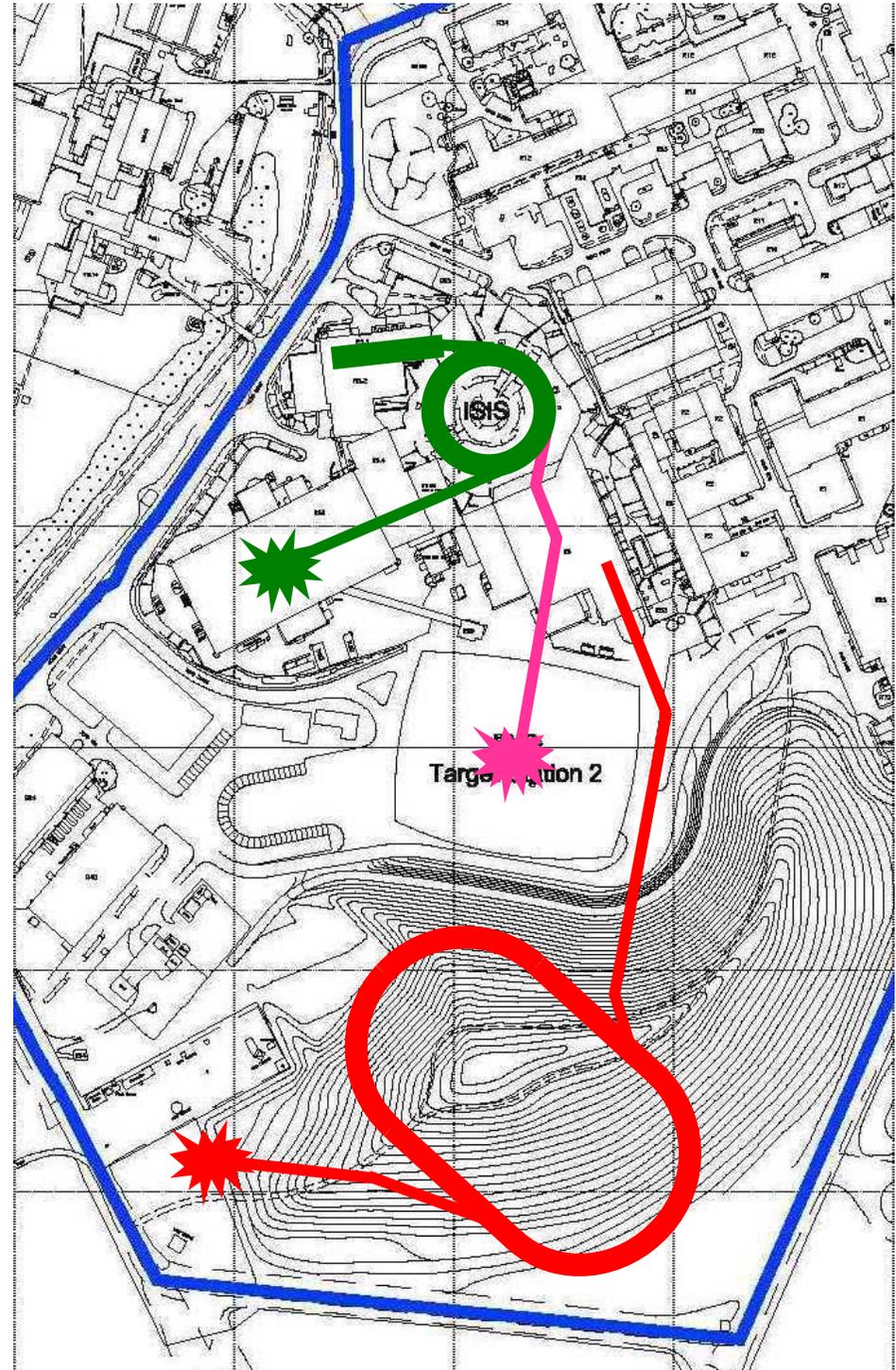
Both TS-1 and TS-2  
run



Possible future scenarios:

3 GeV 50 pps  
synchrotron and  
third target  
station (TS-3) built

Both TS-1 and TS-2  
continue to run



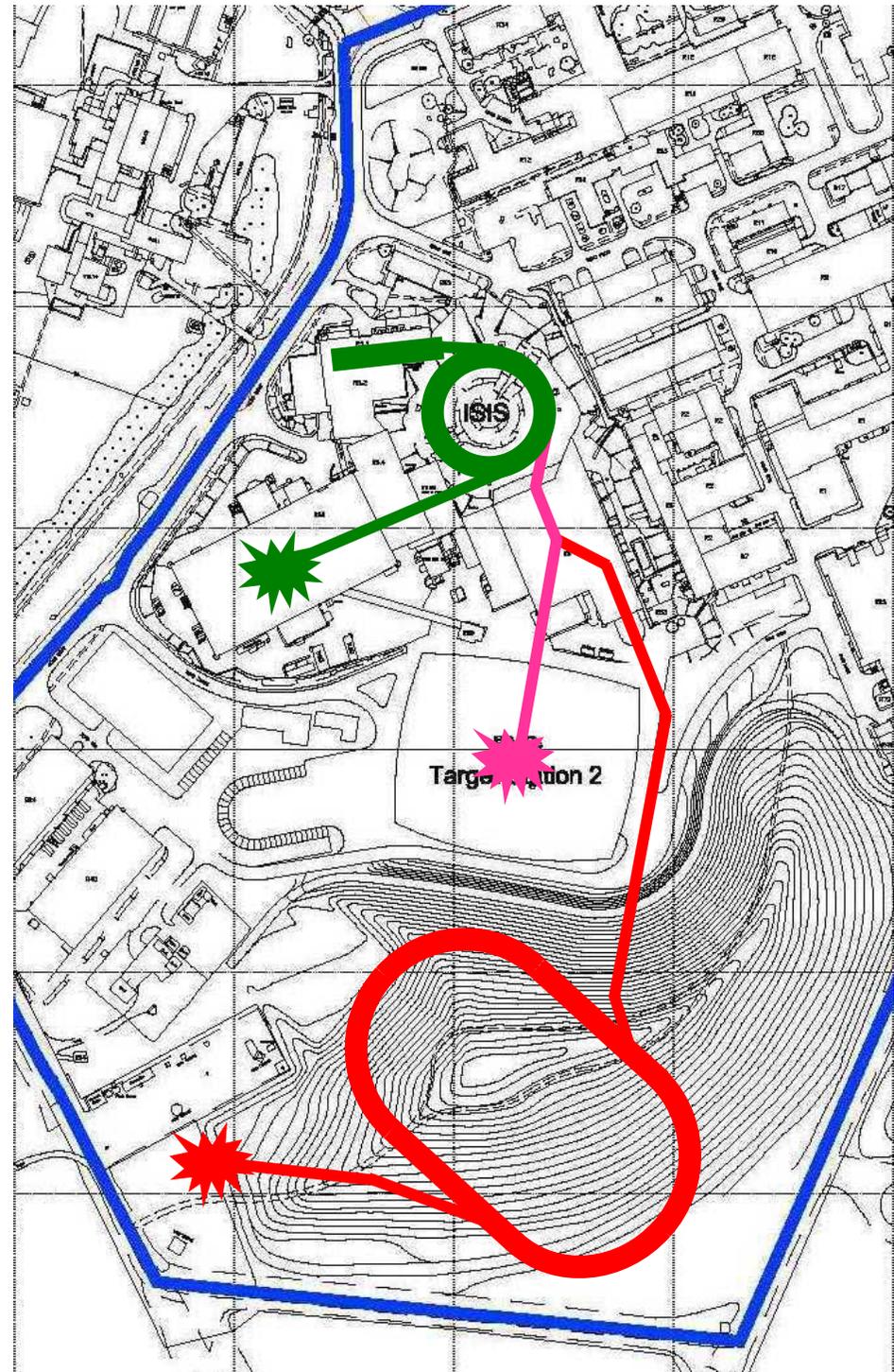
Beam line EPB-3  
joined to EPB-2

800 MeV protons  
accelerated to  
3 GeV

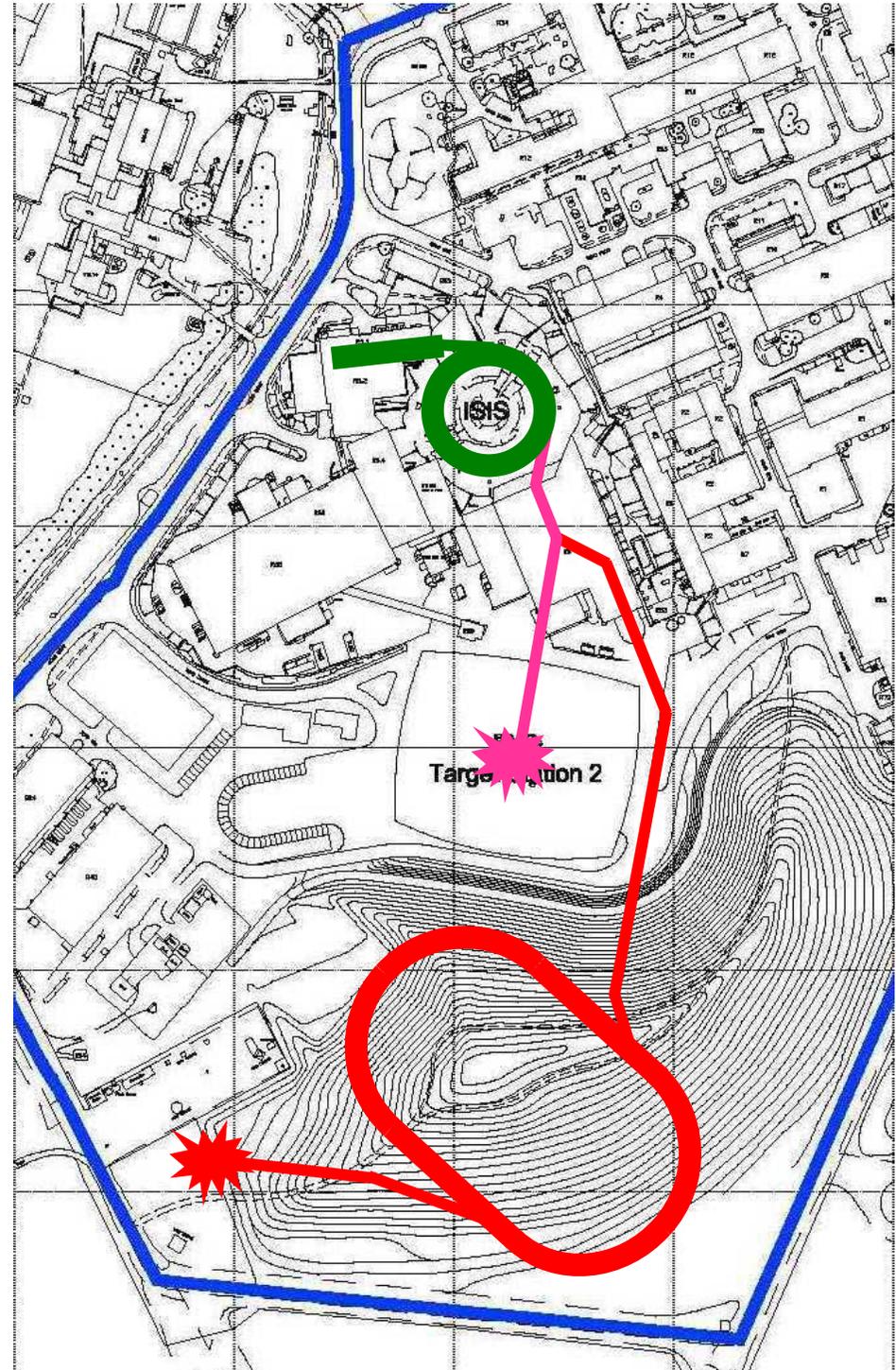
$3 \text{ GeV} \times 300 \mu\text{A} \approx 1 \text{ MW}$

1 MW can be  
delivered to TS-3

TS-1, TS-2 and  
TS-3 can all run

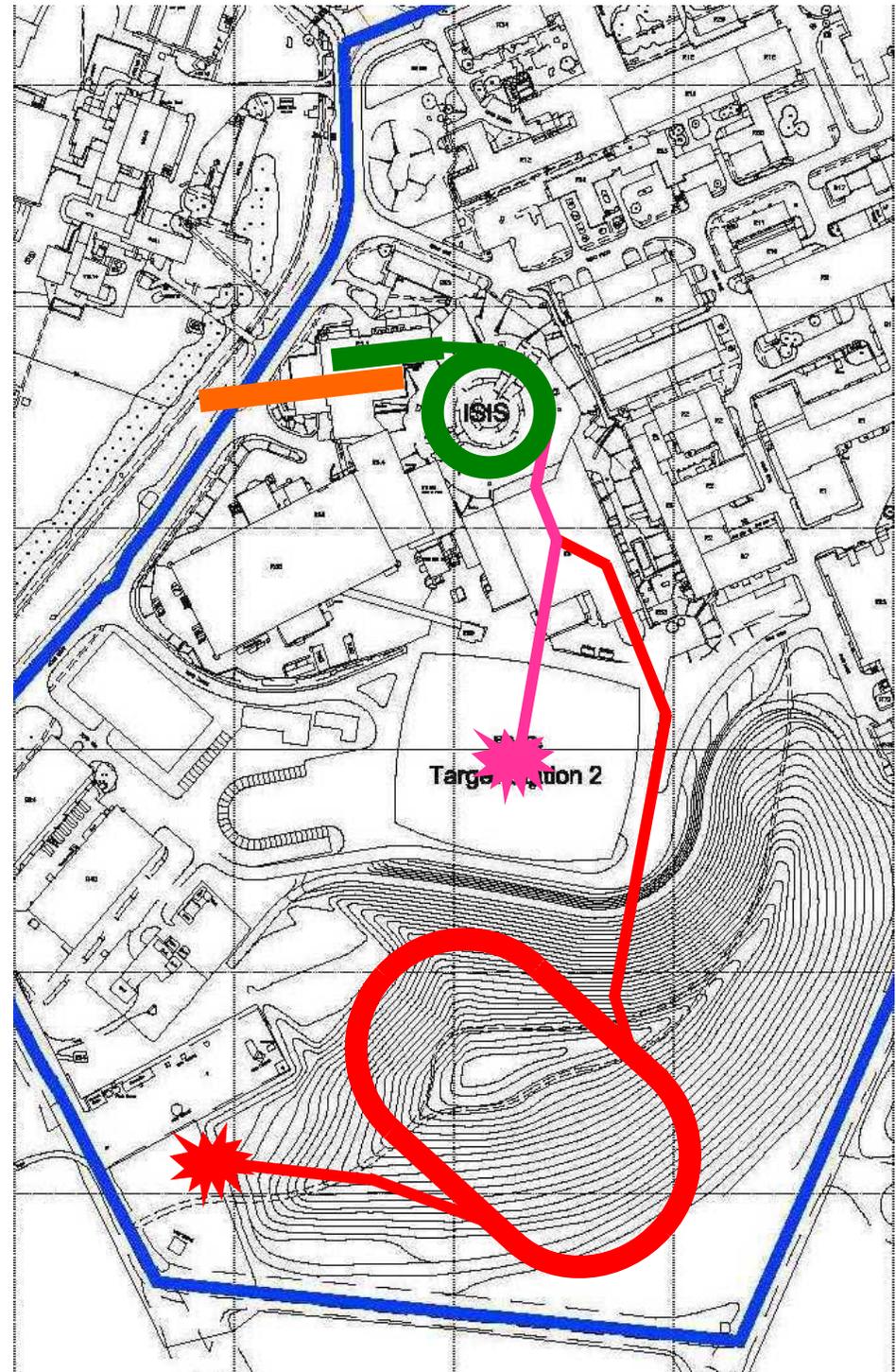


Probably rationalise  
operating régime by  
closing down TS-1



New 180 MeV linac  
built

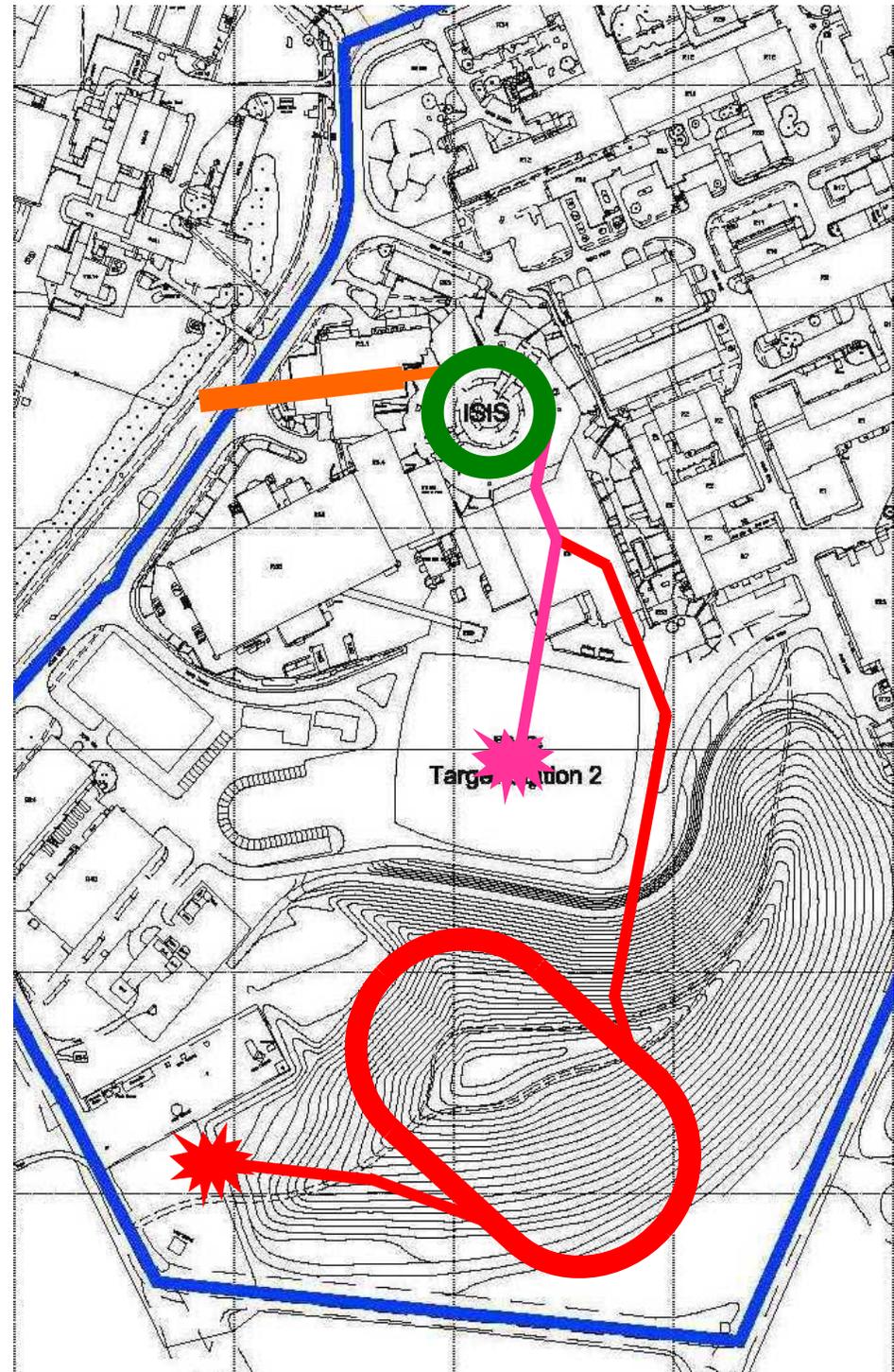
TS-2 and TS-3  
continue to run



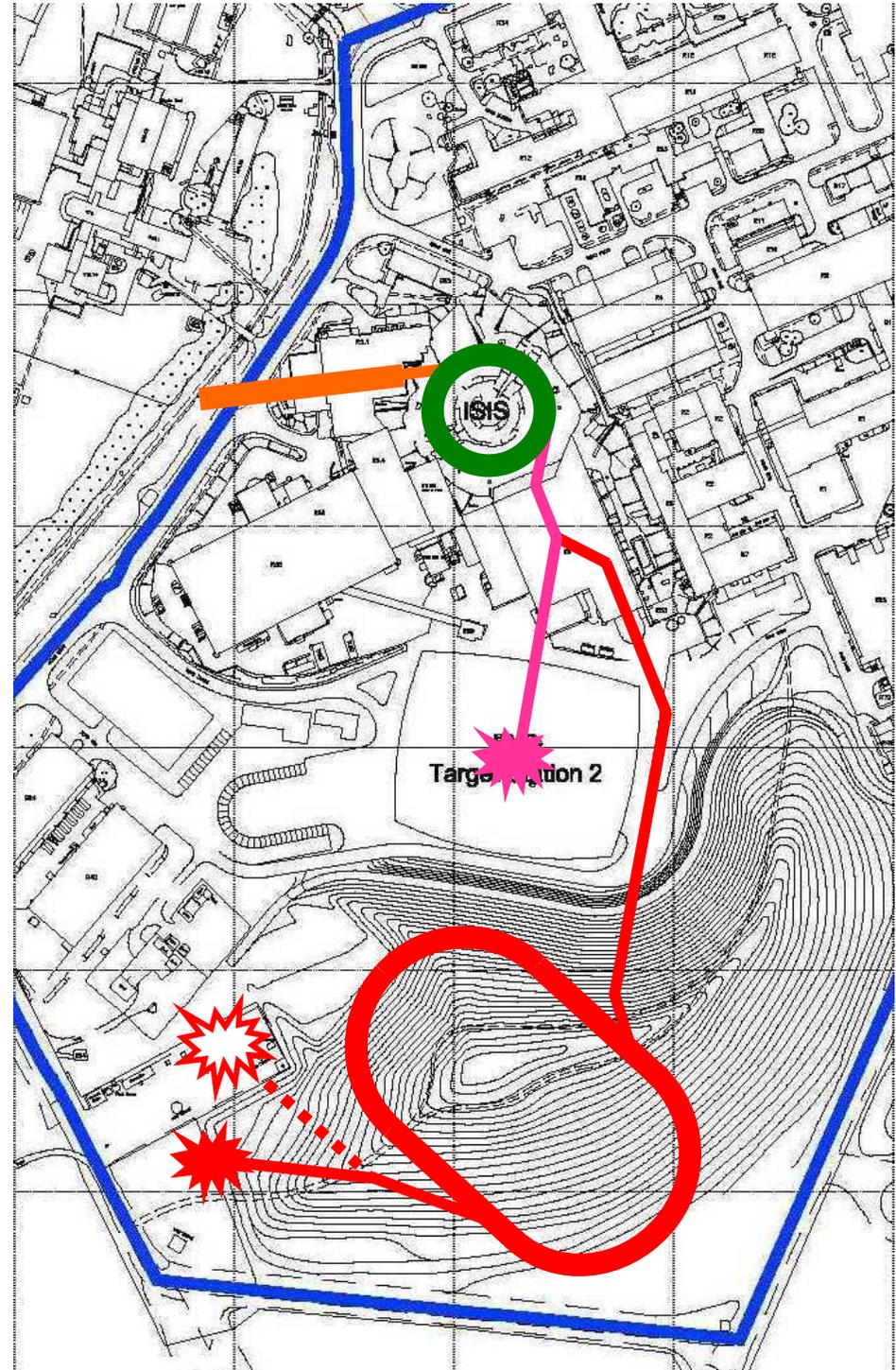
New 180 MeV linac  
replaces old  
70 MeV linac

TS-2 and TS-3 run

>1 MW to TS-3 now  
possible,  
provided that  
3 GeV synchrotron  
can hold >3  $\mu\text{C}$  per  
bucket



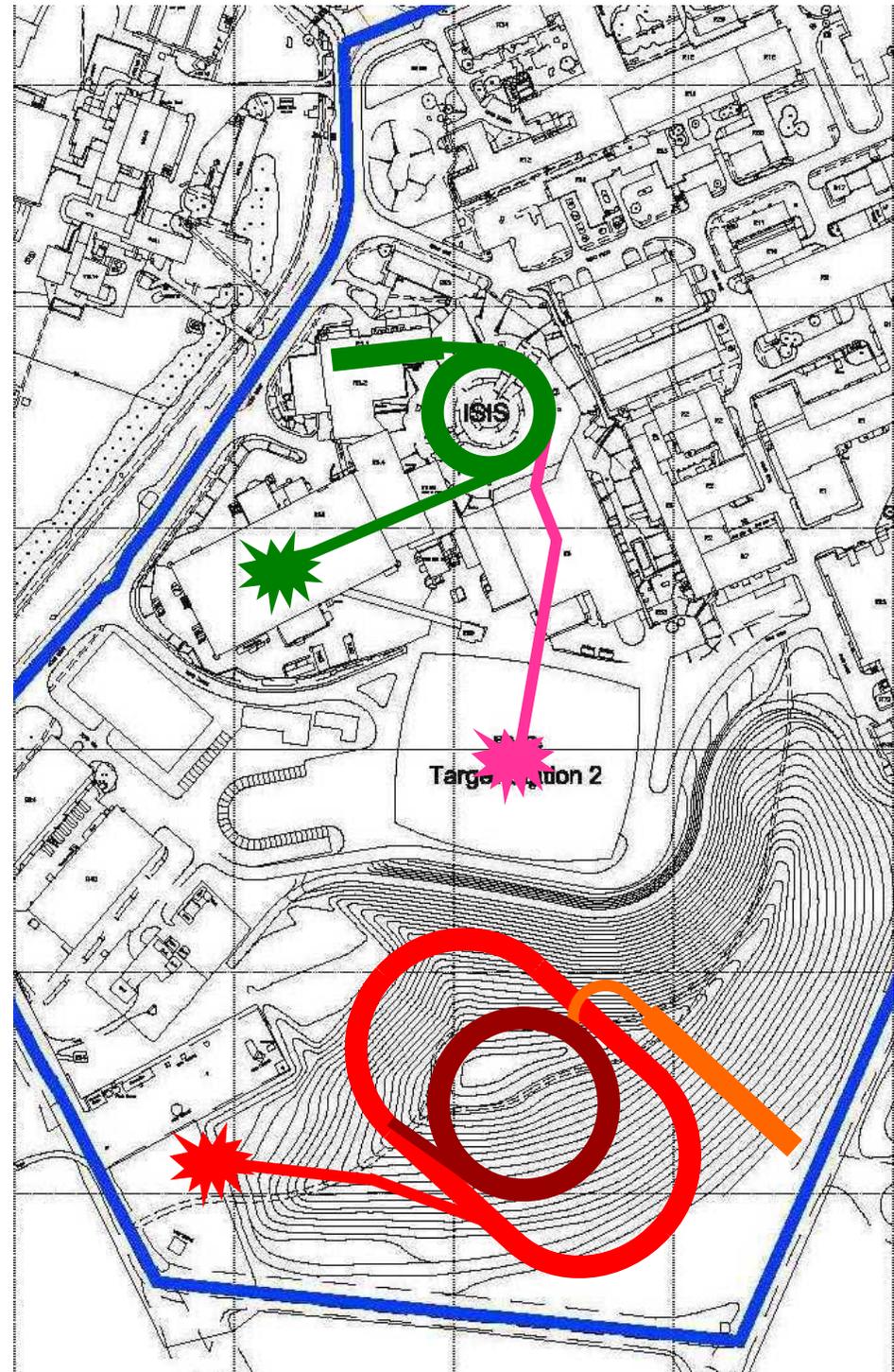
If 3 GeV  
synchrotron  
designed to allow  
acceleration to  
8 GeV at reduced  
repetition rate,  
muon-producing  
target for neutrino  
factory possible



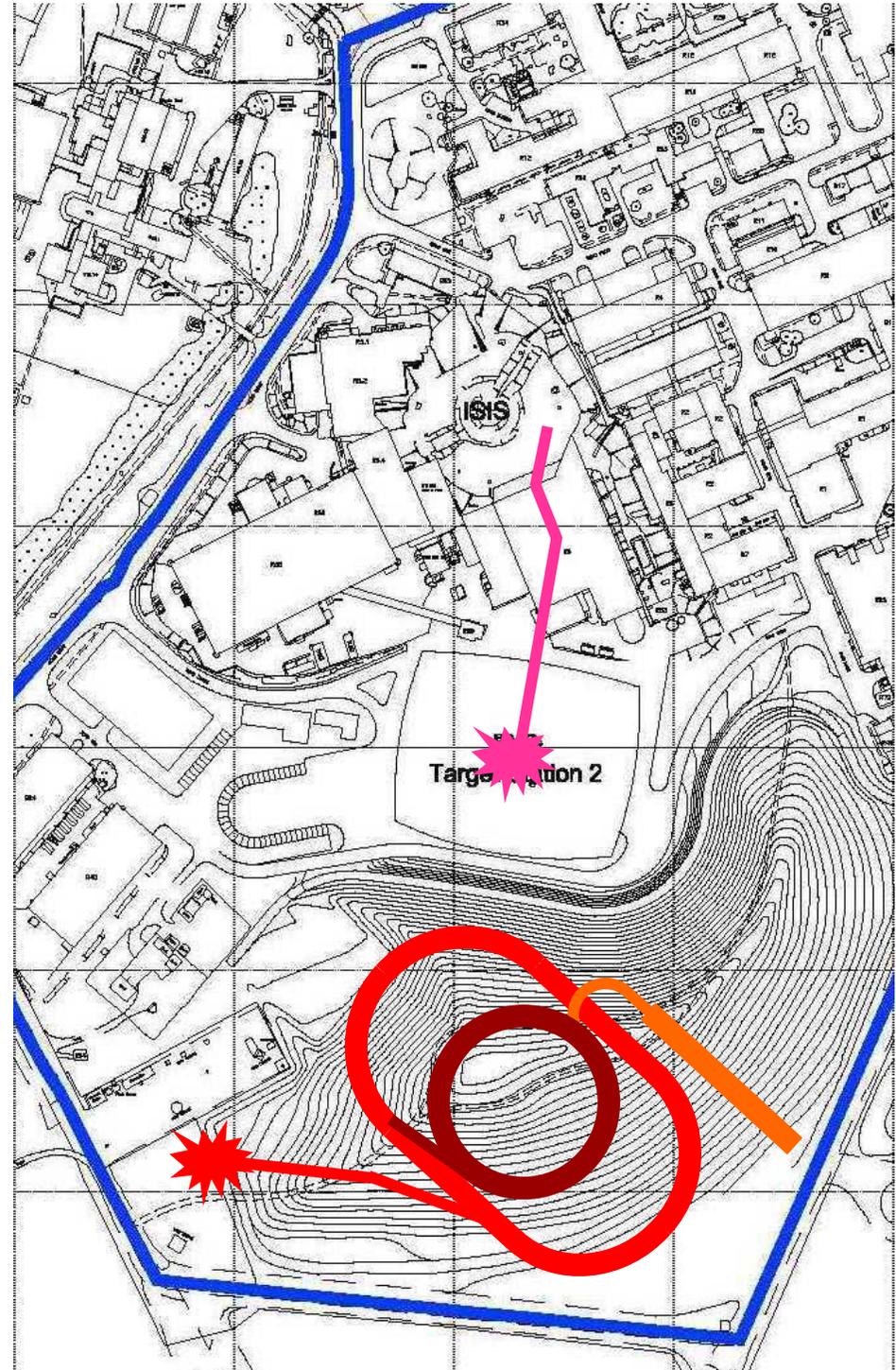
Alternatively, build stand-alone system based on 3 GeV synchrotron with 180 MeV linac + two 1.2 GeV booster synchrotrons

TS-3 can now run at 2½ MW quite separately from TS-1 and TS-2

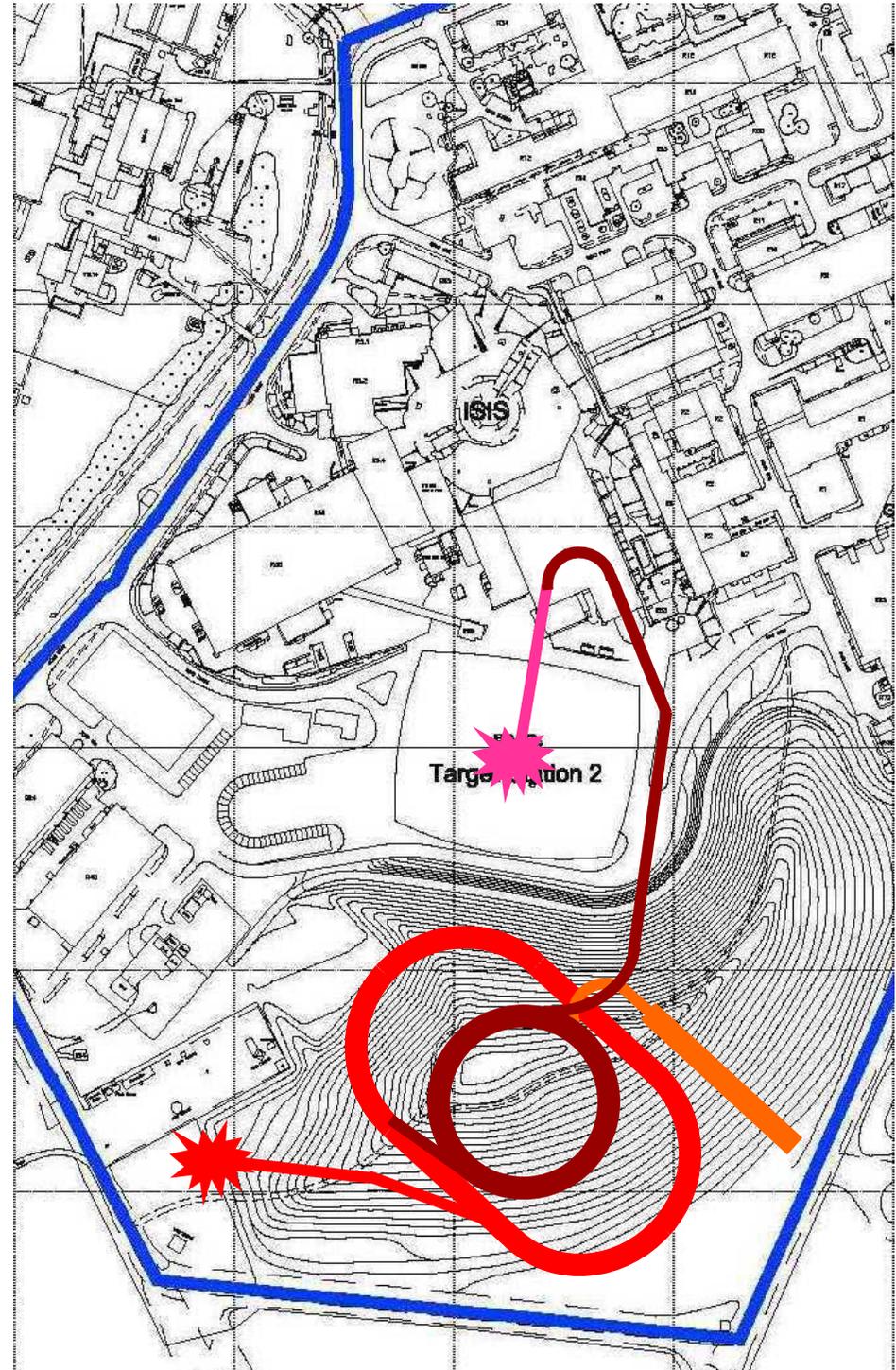
5 MW option also possible



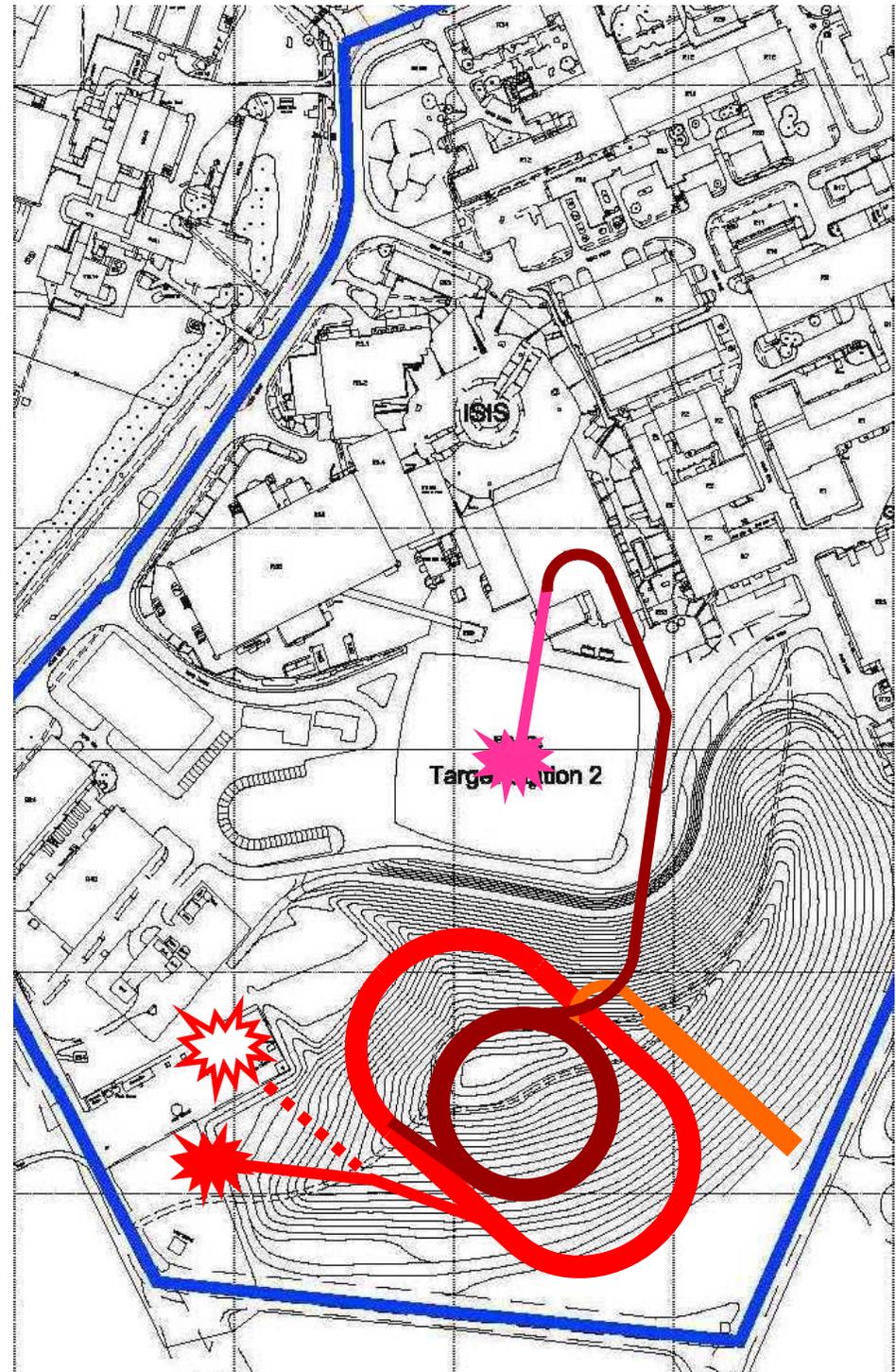
Could let present  
ISIS linac and  
synchrotron go



But keep TS-2  
running by taking  
beam from booster  
synchrotron



Muon-producing  
target for neutrino  
factory added



## ISIS:

Began running in 1984

Continuous series of upgrades since 2002

Second Target Station running ~end 2008

Expect to run ISIS until ~2020

