

# Performance of SPL cavities at CERN

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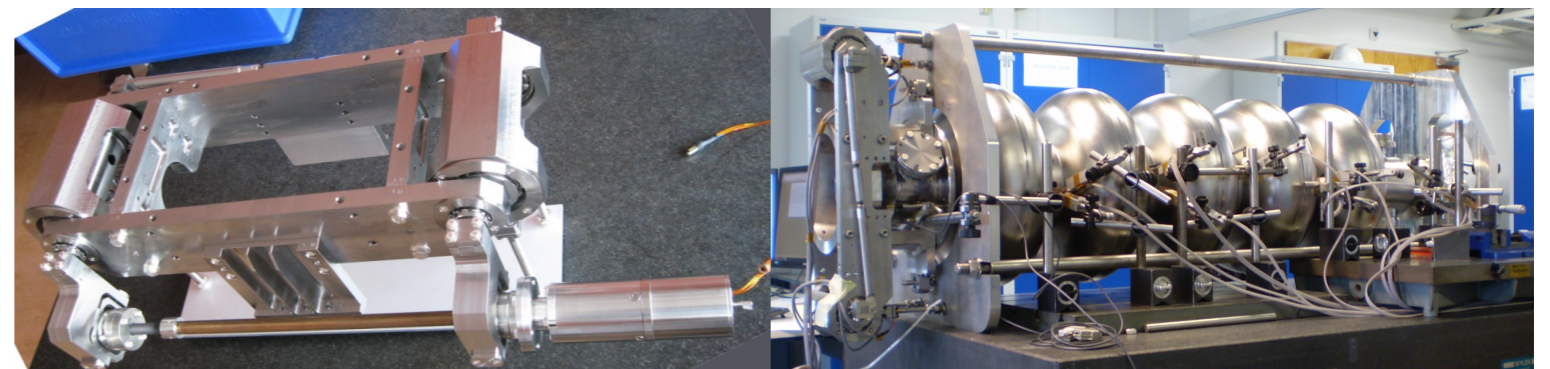
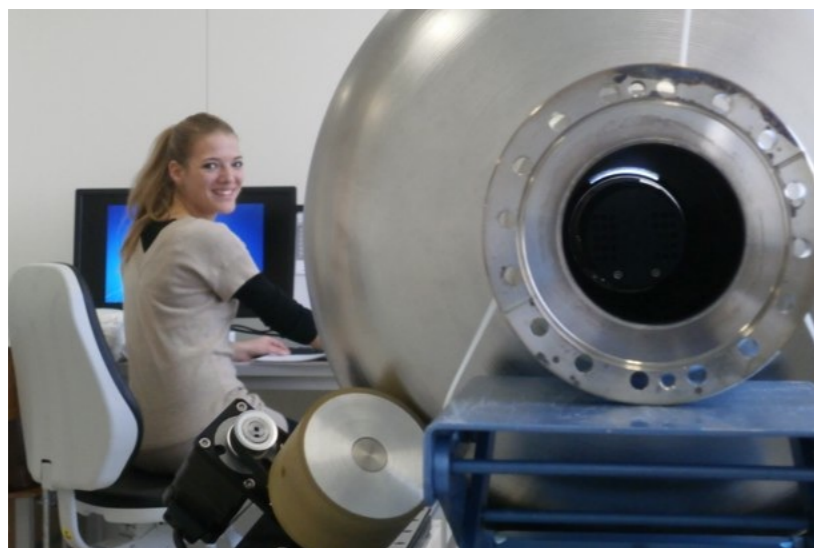
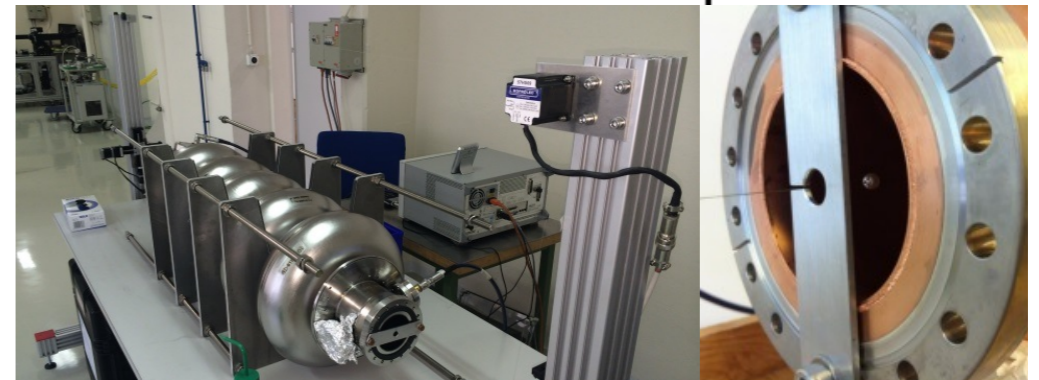
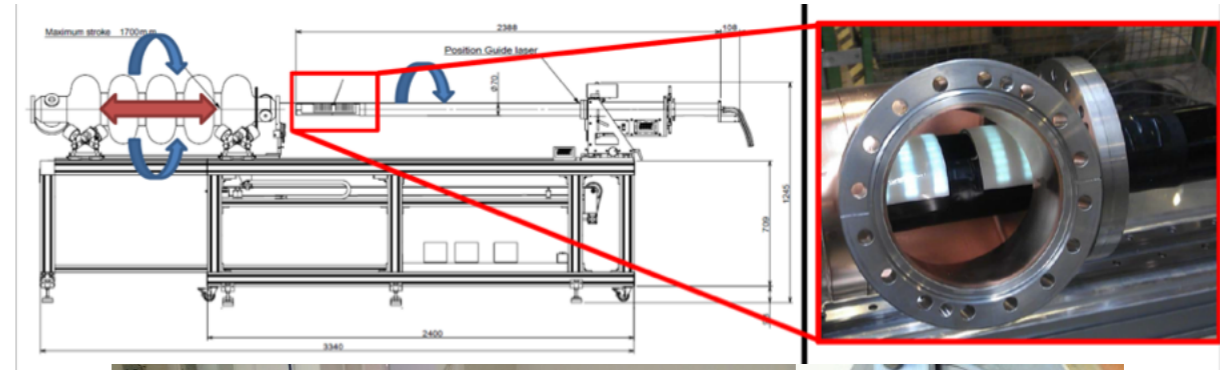
# Introduction: CERN SRF activities and SPL

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- **Objective:**
  - Characterise SPL Nb 5-cell cavities at warm
  - Setup and test SPL Nb 5-cell cavities in SM18 vertical cryostat
  - Ensure diagnostics + analysis tools in place for full evaluation of test data
- **Objective**
  - Ensure infrastructure for production level testing
  - Development of personnel, procedures and techniques
- **Plan**
  - Use SPL Nb Monocell and SPL Copper 5-cell cavities to meet development objectives
- **Plan**
  - Be ready to launch SPL Nb 5-cell cold test at SM18 by mid 2014.

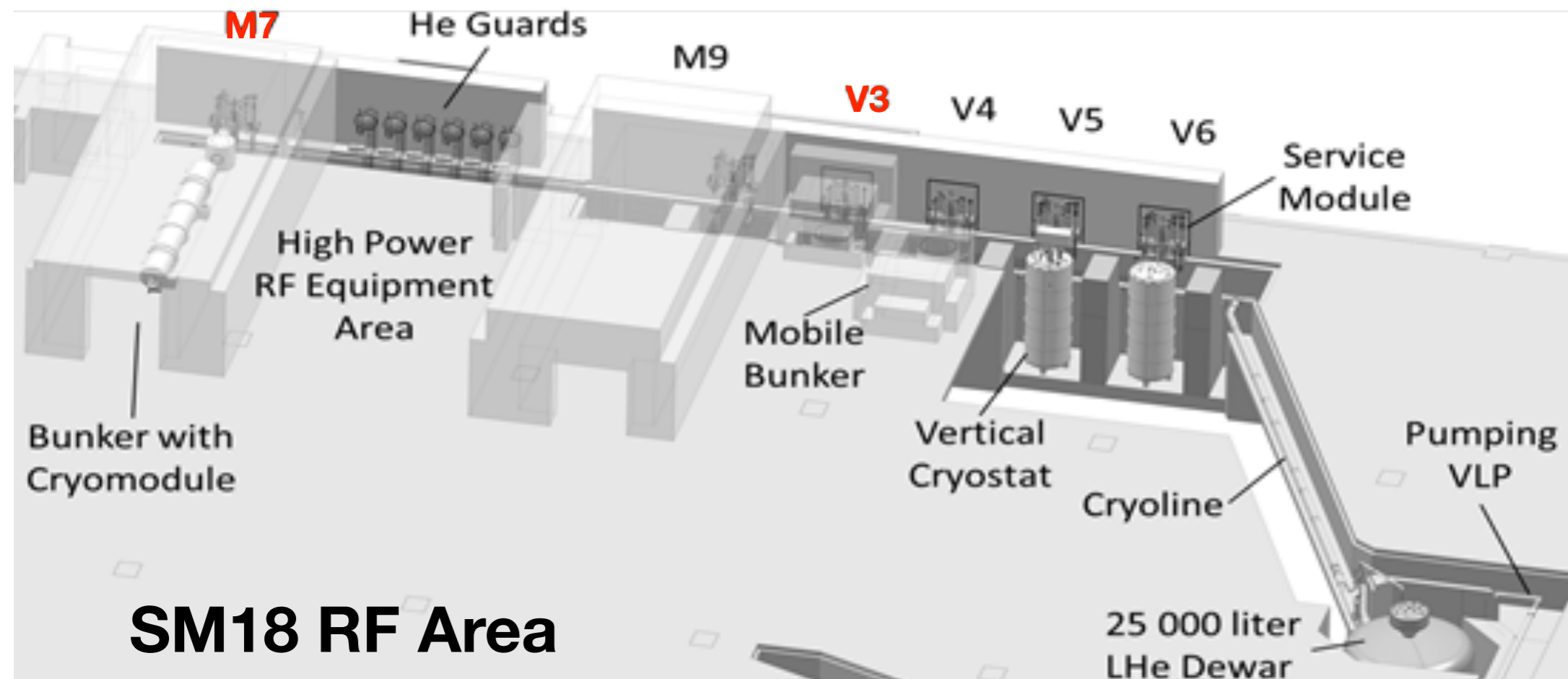
# Cavity Reception and Warm testing lab

- Set up for reception and testing of Cavities: HIE-Isolde, Crab, SPL, + ...
  - Cavity reception and leak testing
  - Optical Inspection
  - Bead Pull Measurements
  - SPL Tuning Bench
  - SPL Tuner Test
  - RF Measurements



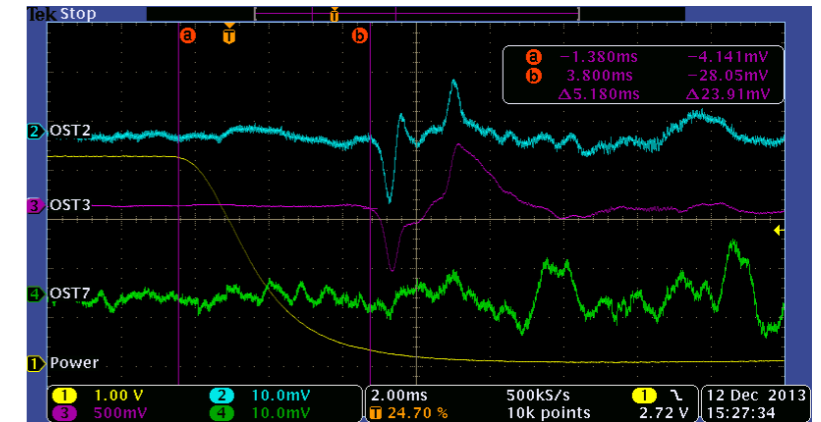
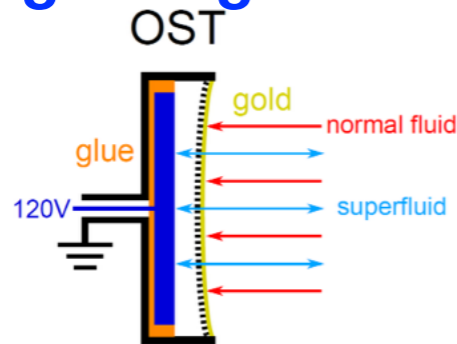
# SPL: RF Cold Testing

- SPL RF Cold testing: SM18 RF Facility
  - **Vertical Tests: SM18 V3 Cryostat**
    - ~3300 litre Cryostat: 1.8K operating temperature
  - **V3 Control Software:** Finishing full code review process
  - **Horizontal Tests: M7 Bunker**
    - Refurbishment of cryogenics distribution ongoing

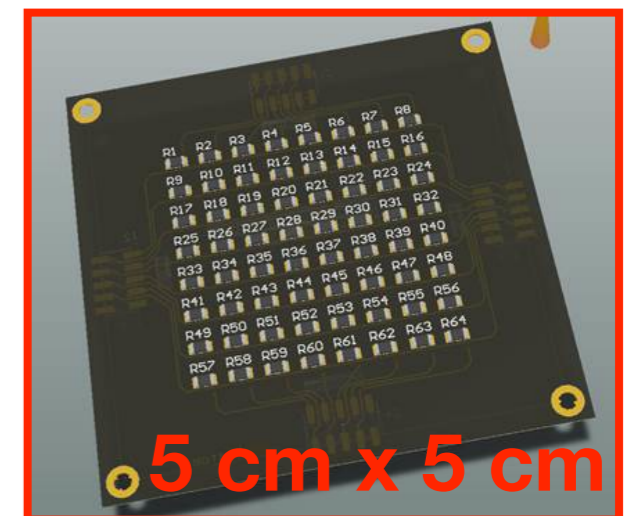
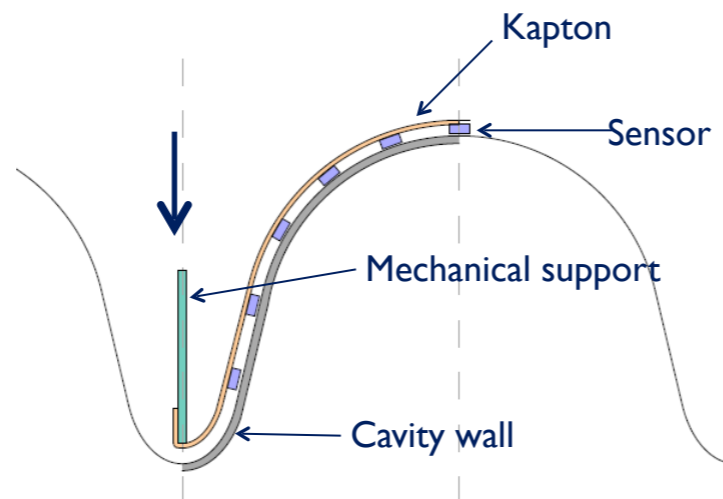
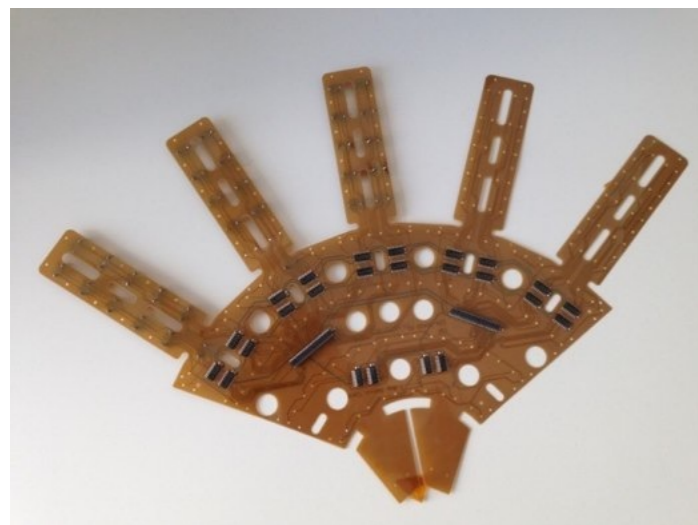
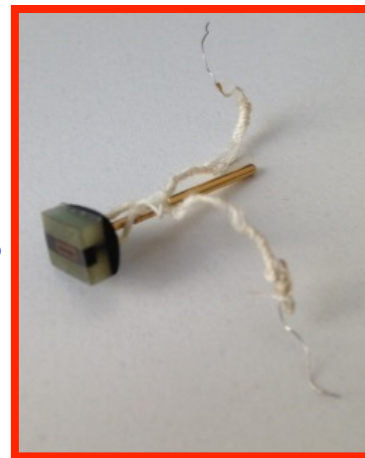


# Cold Test Diagnostics

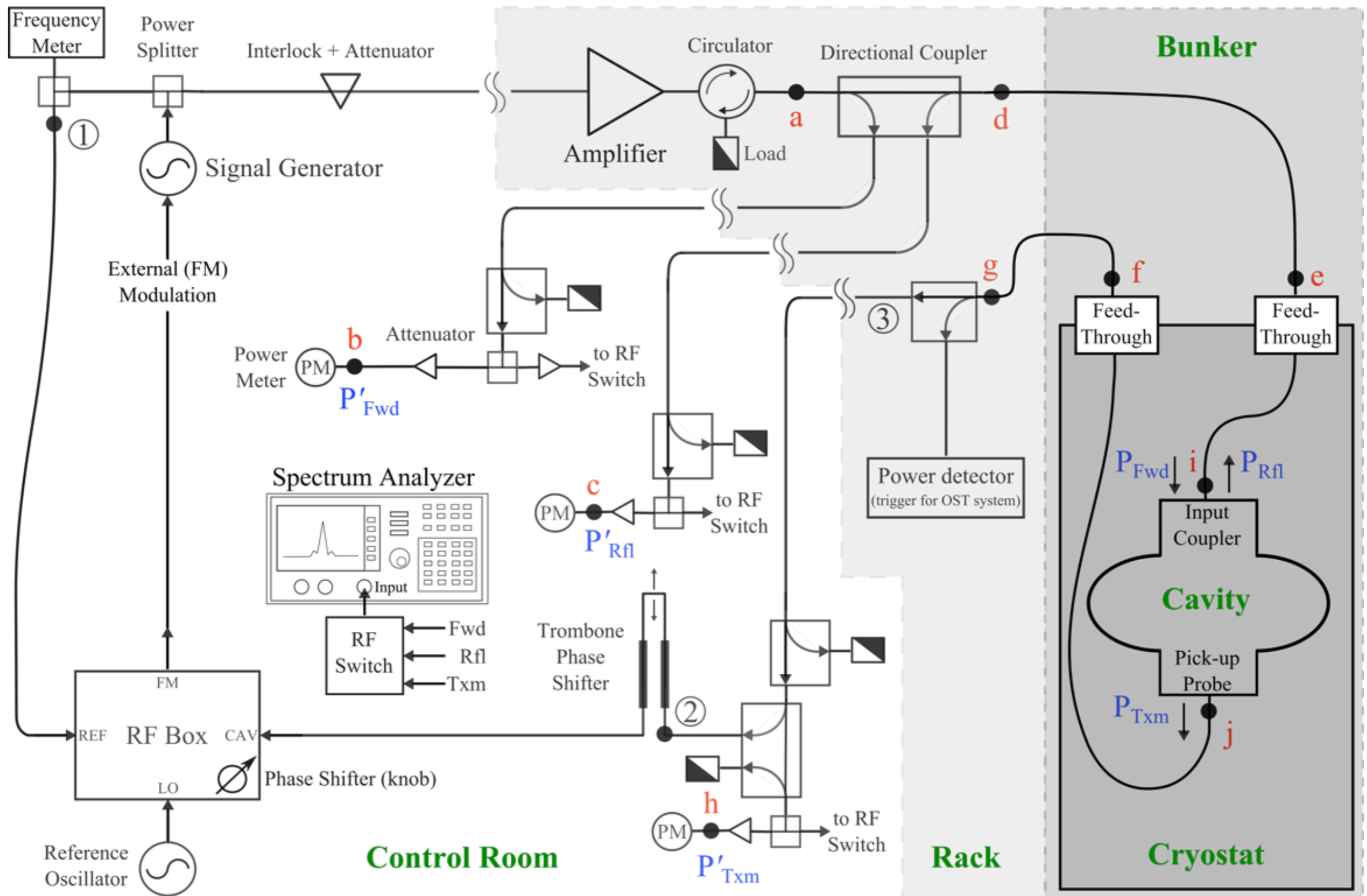
- **Quench Detection: OSTs and second sound**
  - OSTs were successfully deployed for SACLAY SPL & UK 4-Rod Crab tests
  - **Now upgrading readout system for SPL 5-cell tests**



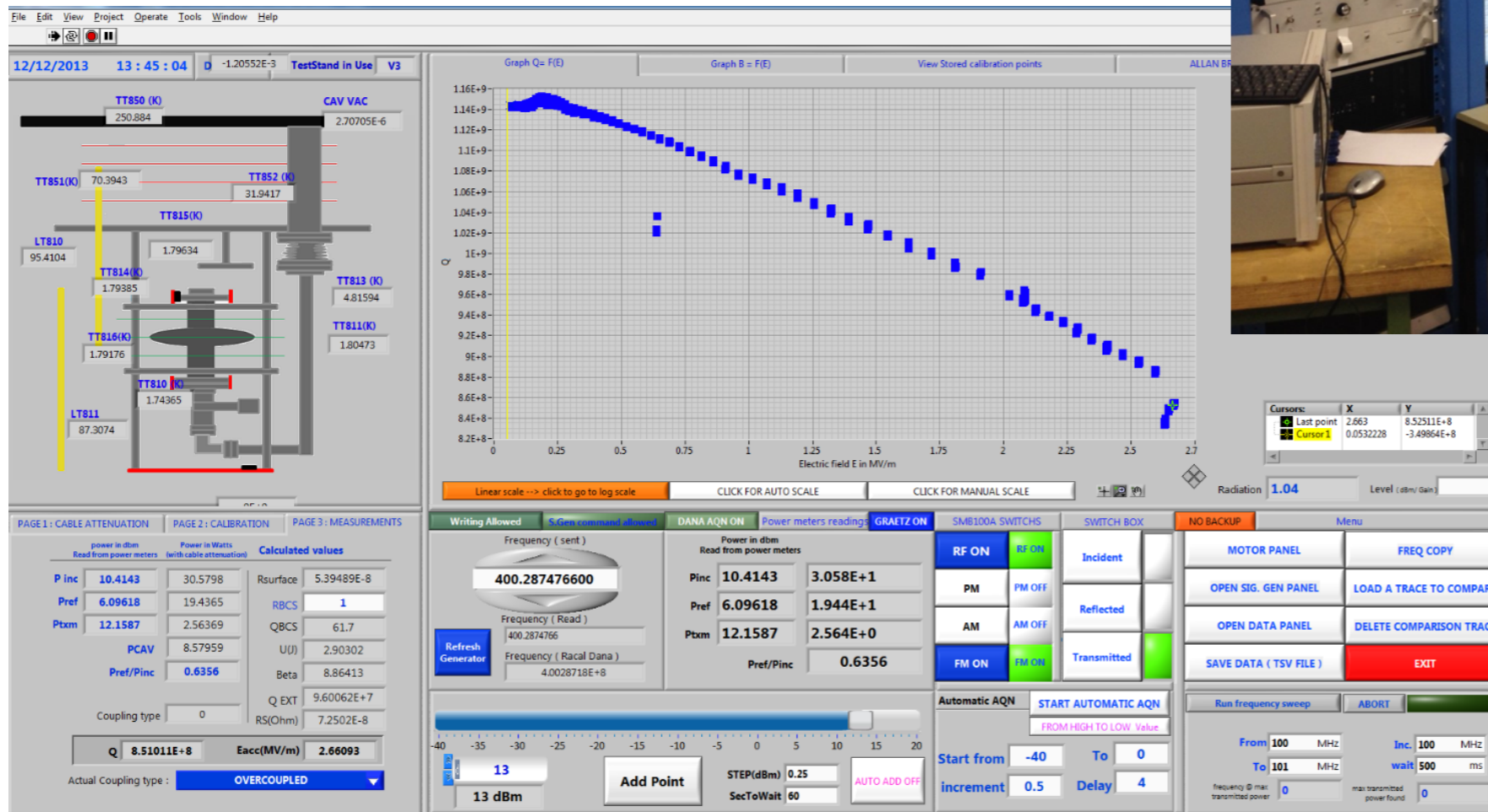
- **Temperature Monitoring**
  - Calibrated Allen Bradley resistors with LHC-based PLC acquisition
  - **Upgrading to Ruthenium Oxide sensors: SMD sensors on pogo-sticks**
- **Temperature Mapping**
  - Prototype test: Developing flexible sensor grid to with RuO<sub>2</sub> sensors



# SM18 1.8K Teststand: V3 Vertical Teststand



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# SPL $\beta=1$ Nb Monocell: Cold Test

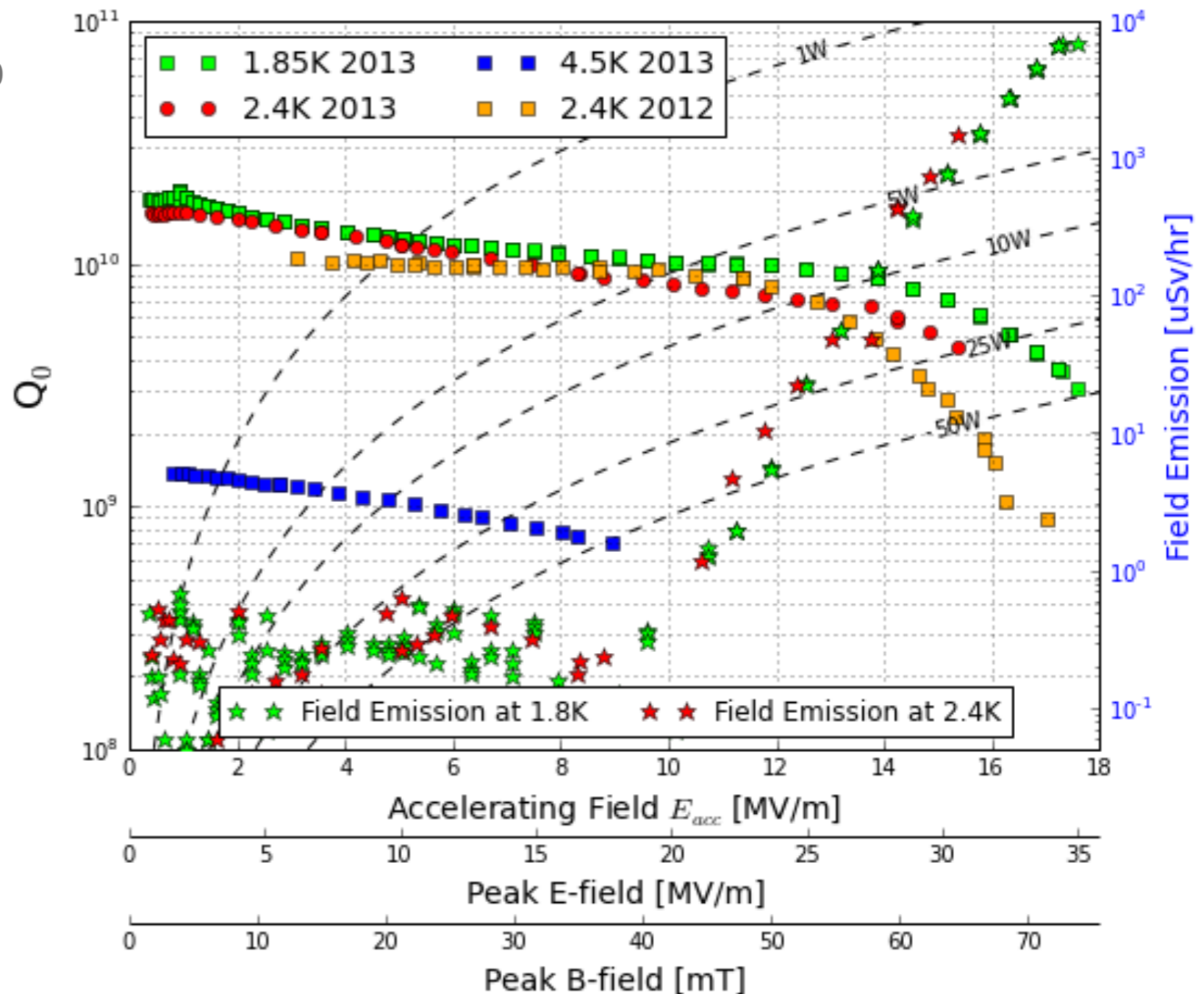
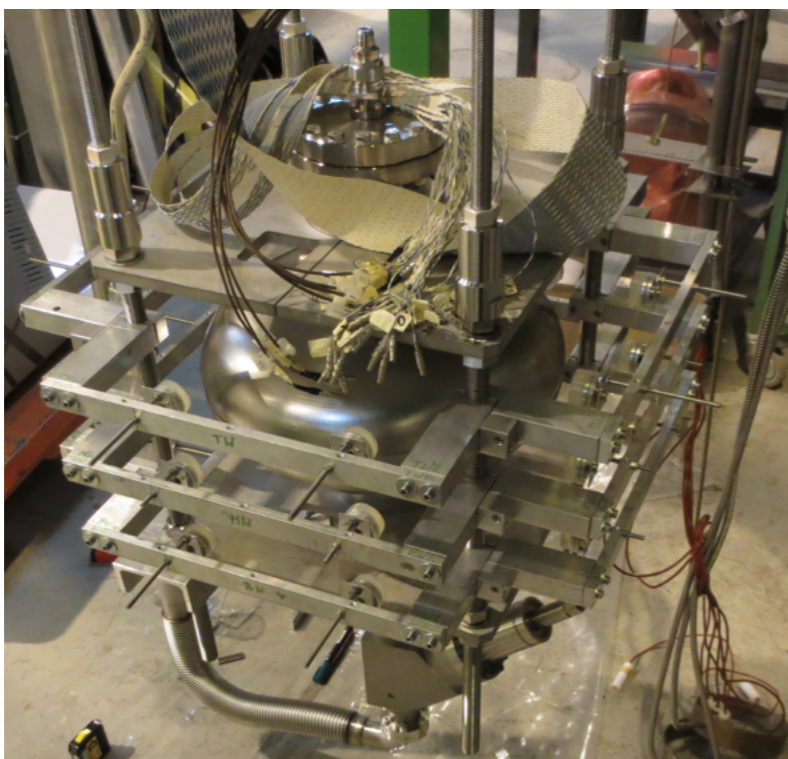
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- $E_{\text{acc}} \sim 15\text{MV/m}$  at  $Q_0 = 1 \times 10^{10}$ 
  - No thermal treatment
- Limitation in performance dictated by field emission
- No evidence of quenching



# SPL $\beta=1$ Monocell: Post Cold Test Inspection

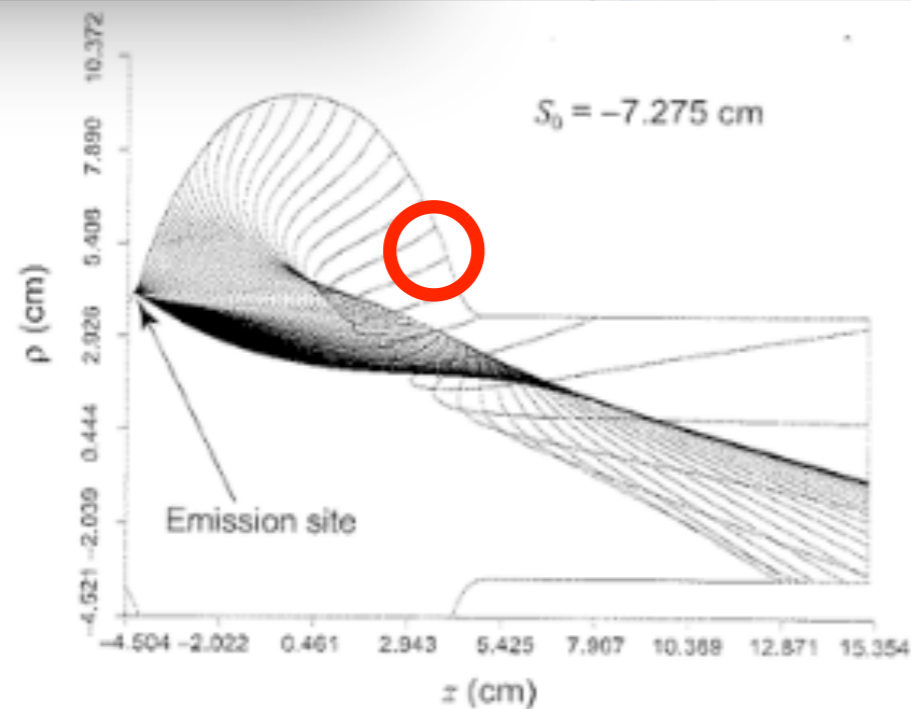
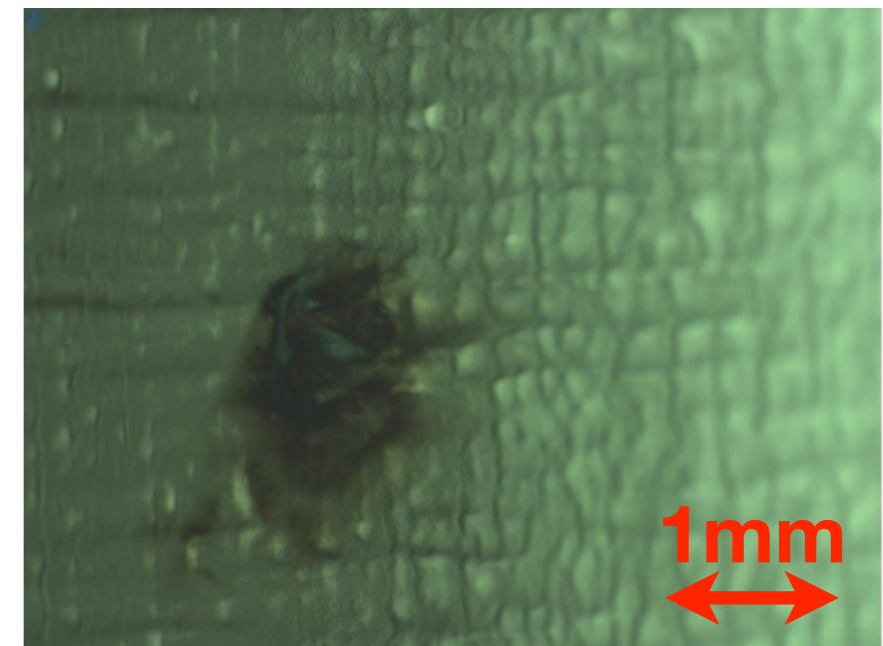
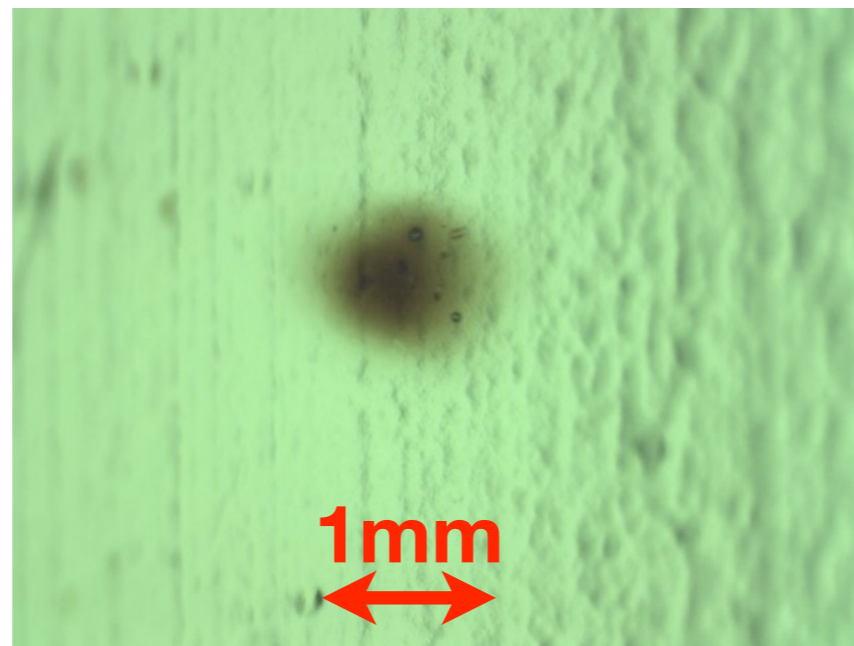
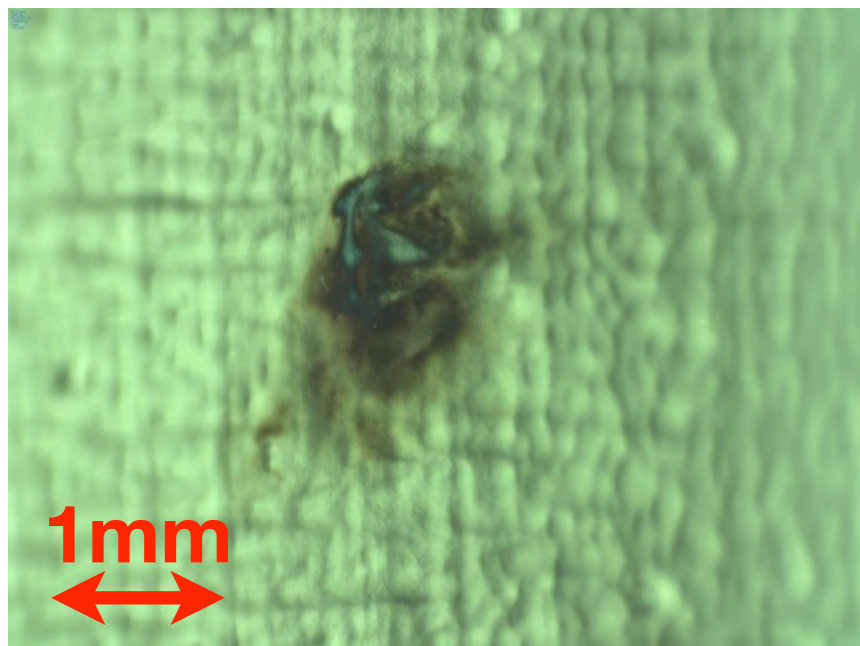
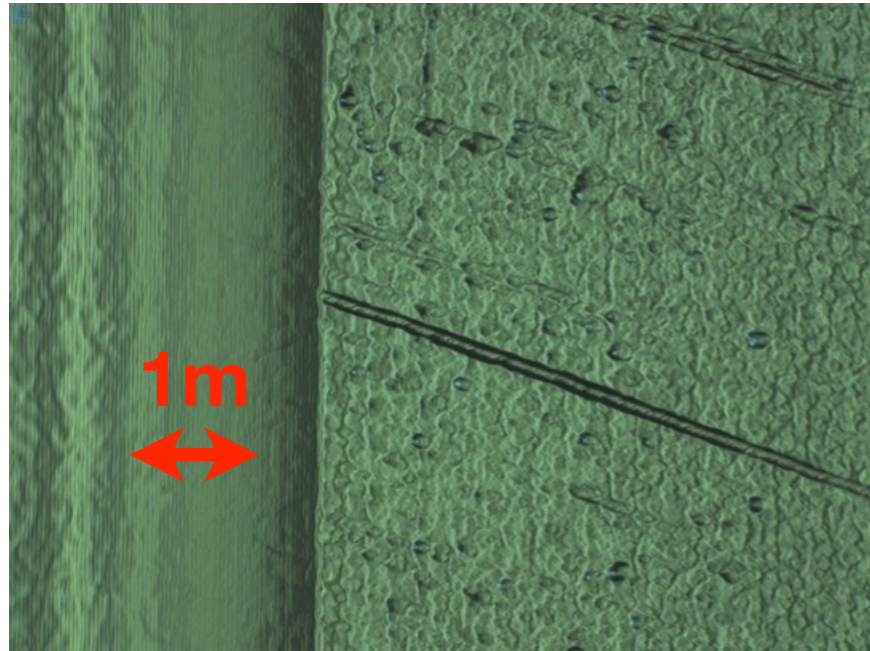


Figure 12.46: Electron trajectories in a 1.5-GHz single-cell cavity, emitted at intervals of  $1/200$ th of the rf cycle. The trajectories lie in the  $\rho$ - $z$  plane of the emitter.  $E_{pk} = 17.38$  MV/m and the emission energy is 0 eV.

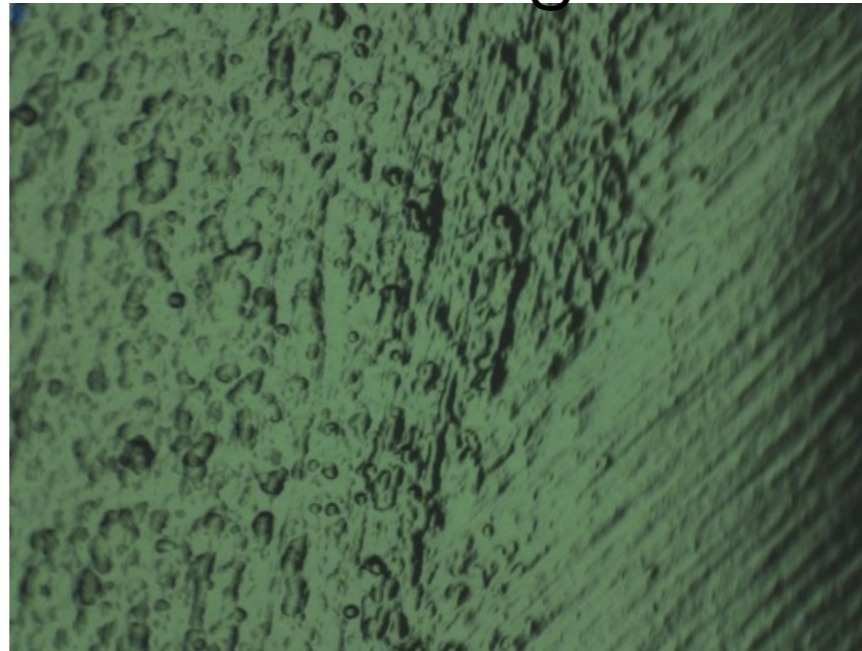


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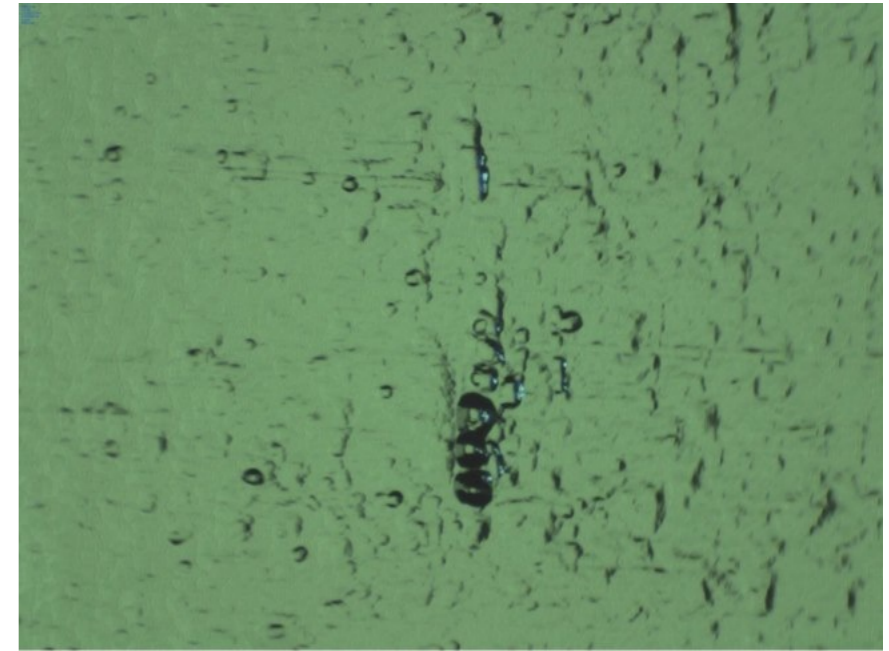
Scratches



Surface roughness



Pinholes



- **Scratches at Equator:**
  - Pre-date EB welding.
  - Direction varies

- **Regions of different surface roughness and scouring direction**

- **Pinholes Observed near the equator.**

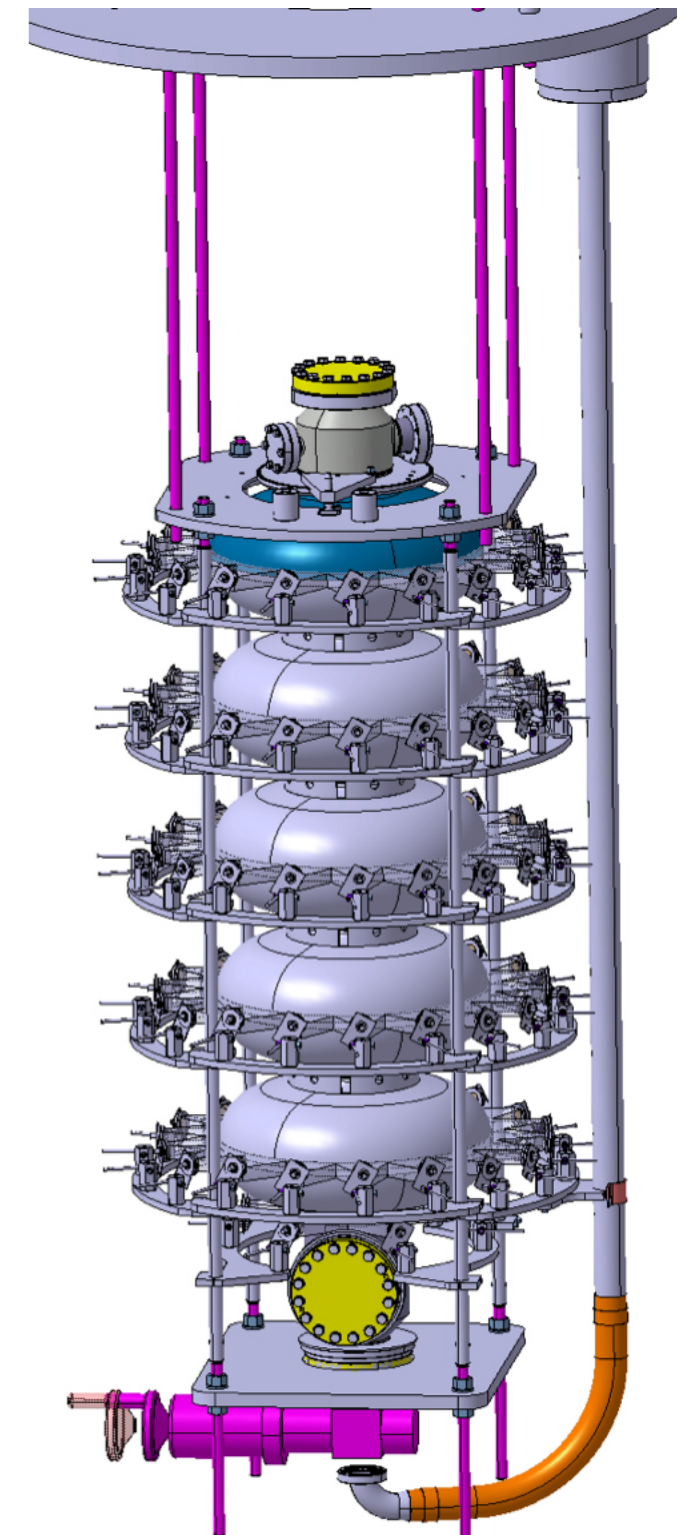
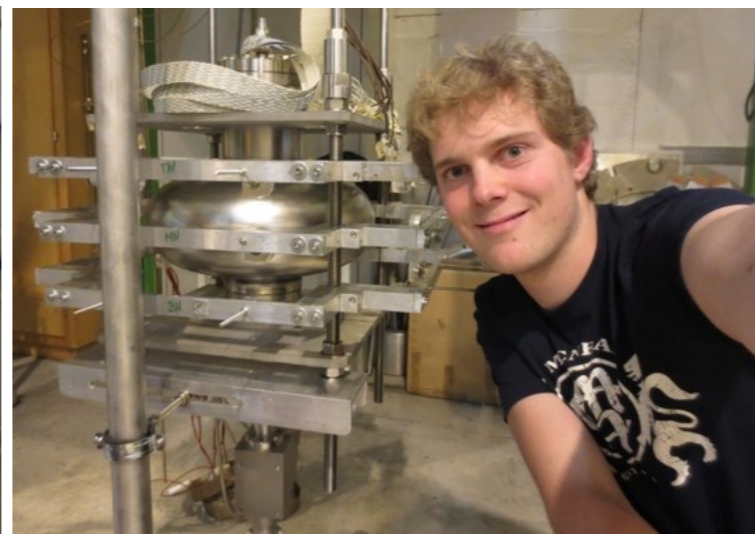
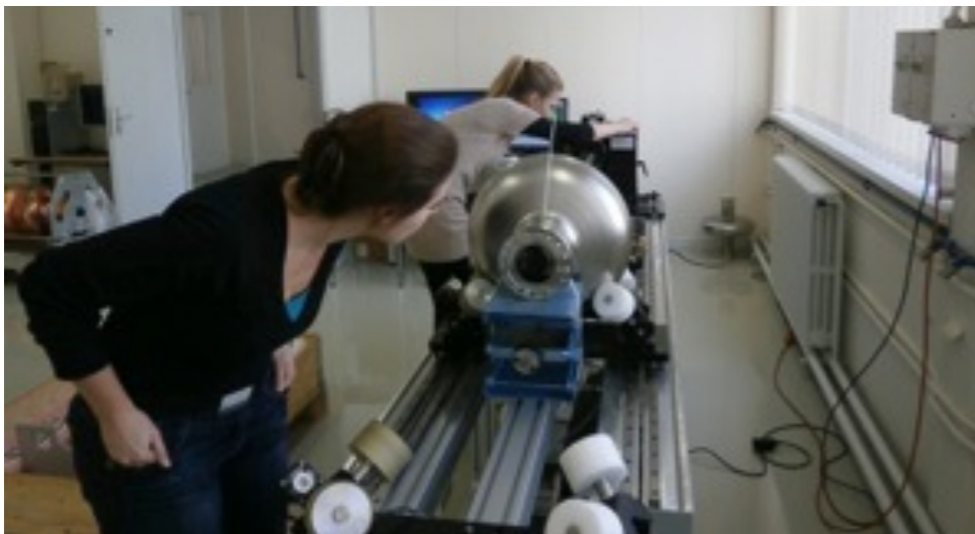


# Cavity Preparation for SM18 Cold Test

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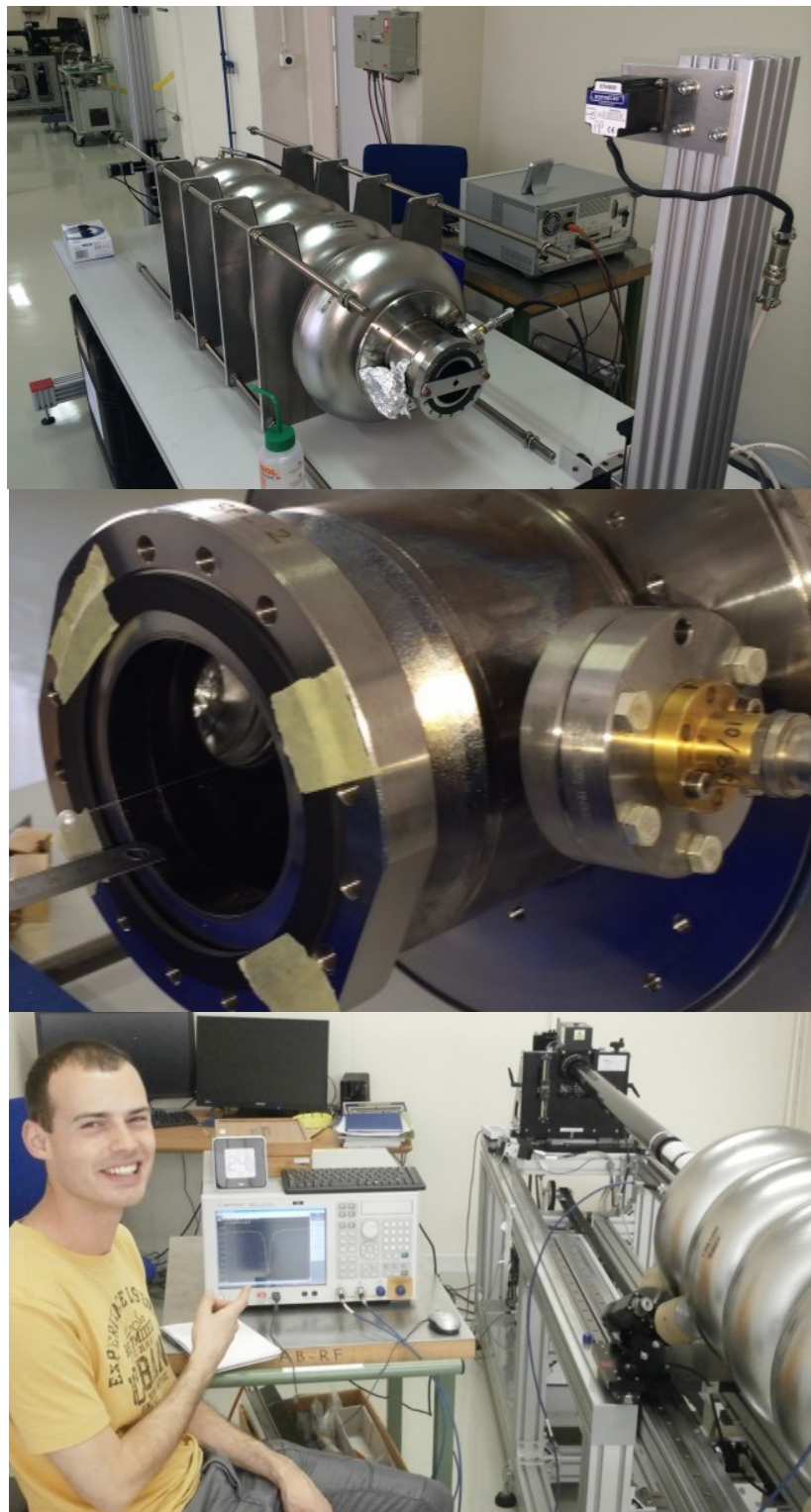
# Cavity Preparation for SM18 Cold Test

- Cold test of 1st SPL Nb 5-cell: Expected in June 2014
- Preparations ongoing
  - **Measurement of Cavity at 300K**
    - RF measurements, Field Flatness etc
  - **Preparation of cavity surface**
    - Electro polishing, thermal treatment, 120° C bake
  - **Preparation of cryostat insert**
    - OSTs + temperature & environmental monitoring.
  - **Upgrade of diagnostics and test stand software**
    - Both CW and Pulse mode operation
- Training of Cavity Testing Team well advanced
  - Teams for both warm and cold measurements



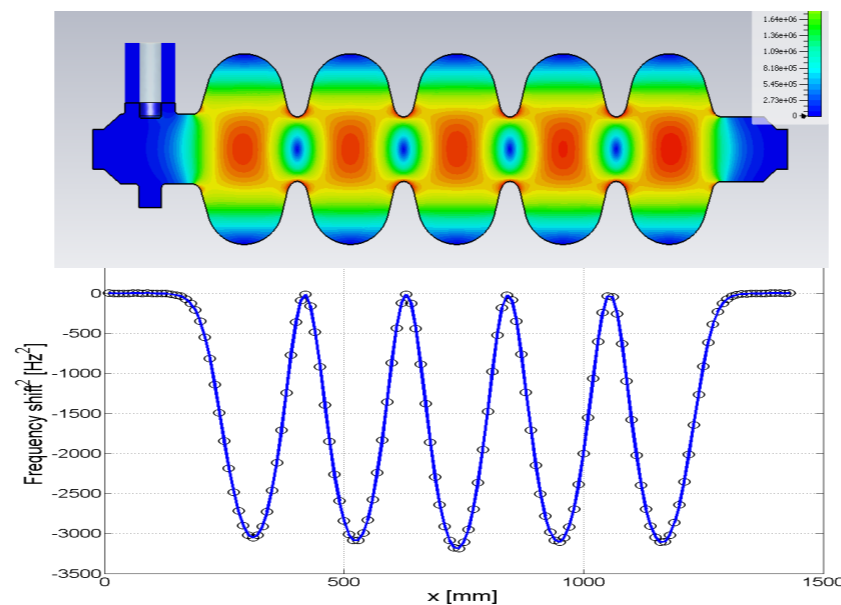
# RF Measurements - Field Distribution

- Bead-pull measurements in comparison with simulations to identify modes and their field distribution at the center axis

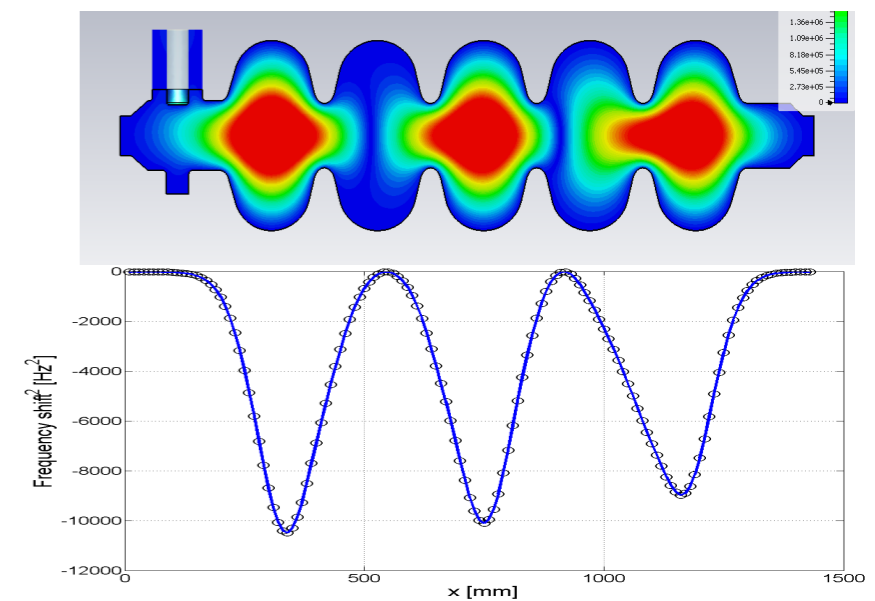


## Magnitude of E-field vs. Frequency shift due to bead

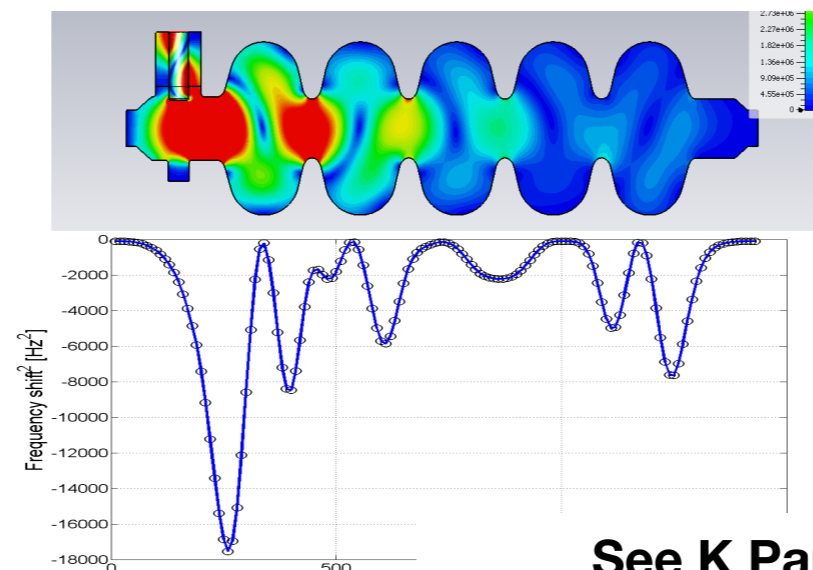
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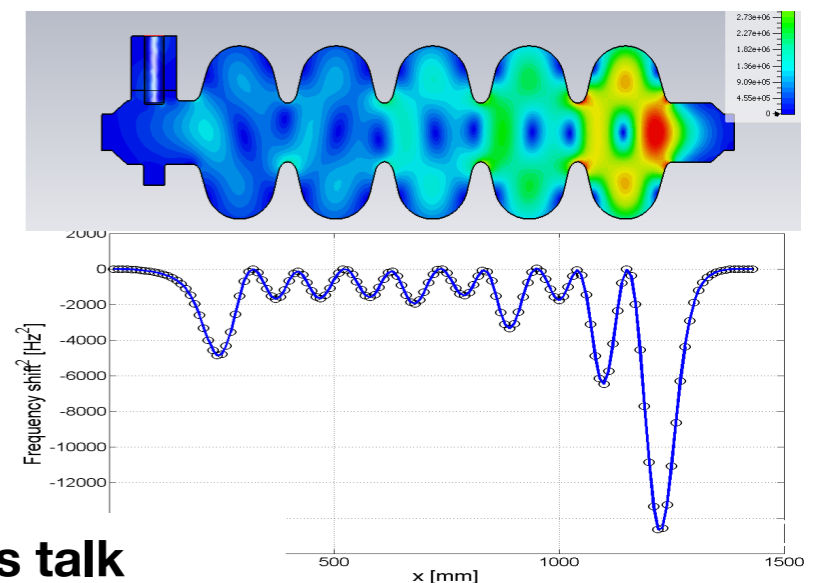
$TE_{111} 3/5 \pi$  - Mode (920 MHz)



$TM_{110} 4/5 \pi$  - Mode (1330 MHz)



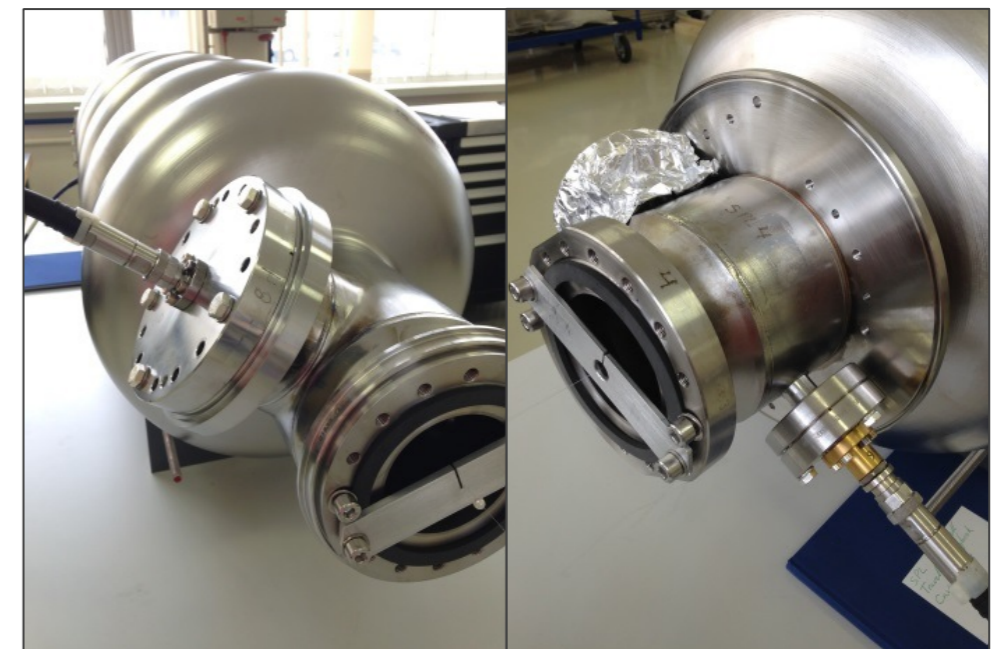
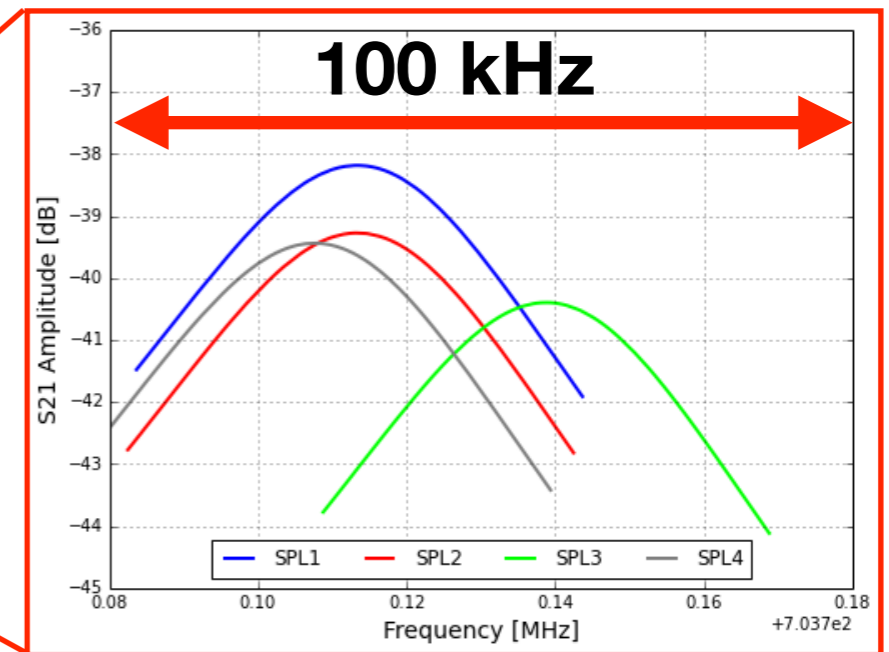
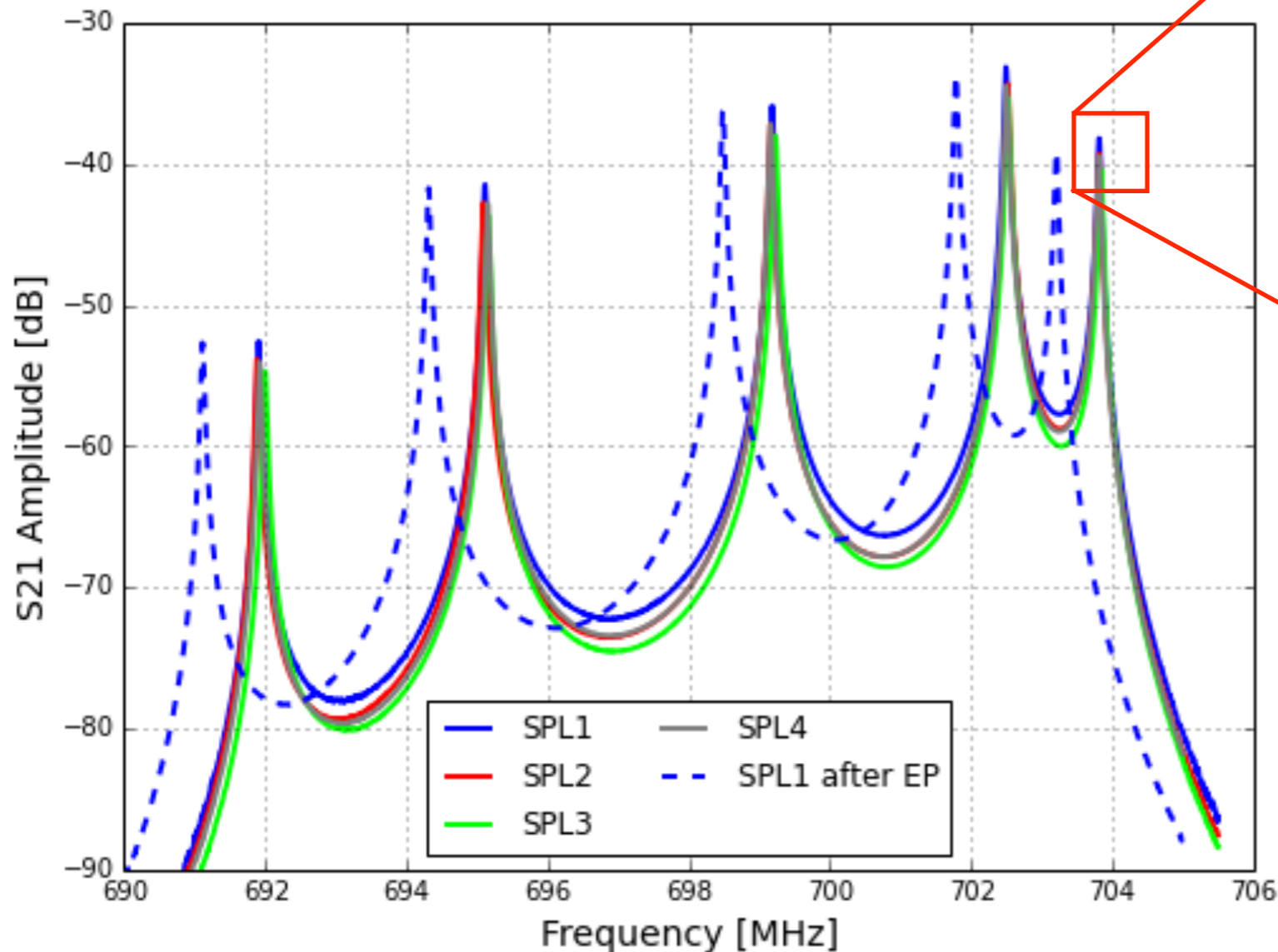
$TM_{110} \pi$  - Mode (1333 MHz)



See K Papke's talk  
SPL HOM coupler development

# $\pi$ -Mode Frequency Validation of SPL Nb 5-Cell

- $\pi$ -mode measured on all 4 Nb 5-cell cavities



Coupler port

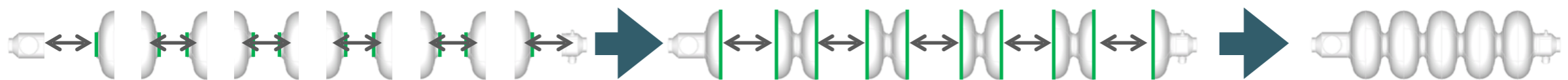
Pick-up port

~600 kHz frequency shift due to hard electro-polishing.  
agrees with expectation from simulation

# $\pi$ -Mode Frequency Validation: Assembled cavities

- **Assembly Process**

- Dumb-bells trimmed so that final cavity assembly had correct length
- Assembled cavity required to  $\pi$ -mode frequency within specification
  - **Tuning performed at manufacturer after assembly.**



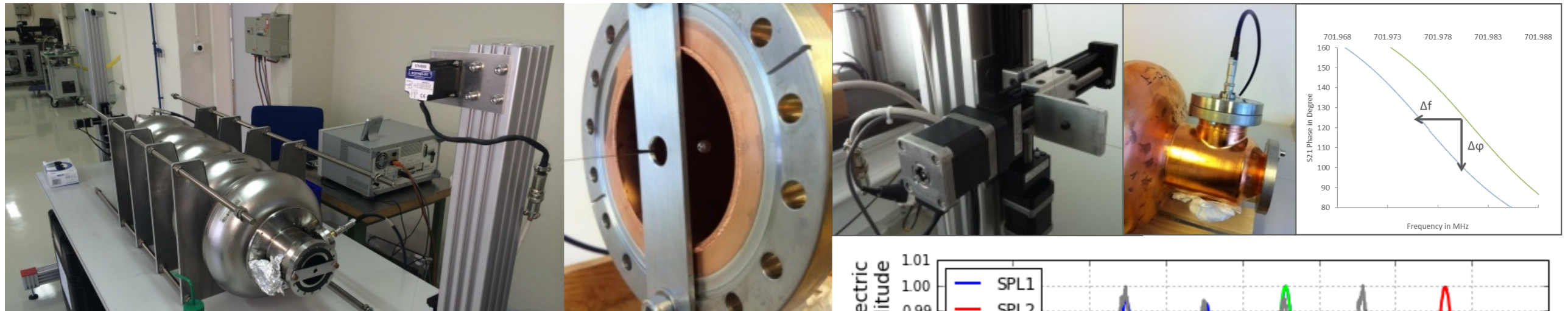
*$\pi$ -mode frequency and deviation specification value of  $704.043 \pm 0.07$  MHz.*

*Values corrected to an evacuated cavity at 22 °C*

	SPL1		SPL2		SPL3		SPL4	
Measurement phase	f	$\Delta$	f	$\Delta$	f	$\Delta$	f	$\Delta$
At RI before tuning	703.608	-0.435	703.823	-0.220	703.775	-0.268	703.768	-0.275
At RI after tuning	704.024	-0.019	704.045	0.002	704.044	0.001	704.041	-0.002
At CERN at arrival	704.044	0.001	704.032	-0.011	704.045	0.002	704.046	0.003
Cavity length in mm	L	$\Delta L$	L	$\Delta L$	L	$\Delta L$	L	$\Delta L$
Spec.: 1397.3 mm $\pm$ 3	1395.886	1.414	1393.831	<b>3.469</b>	1395.592	1.708	1395.229	2.071

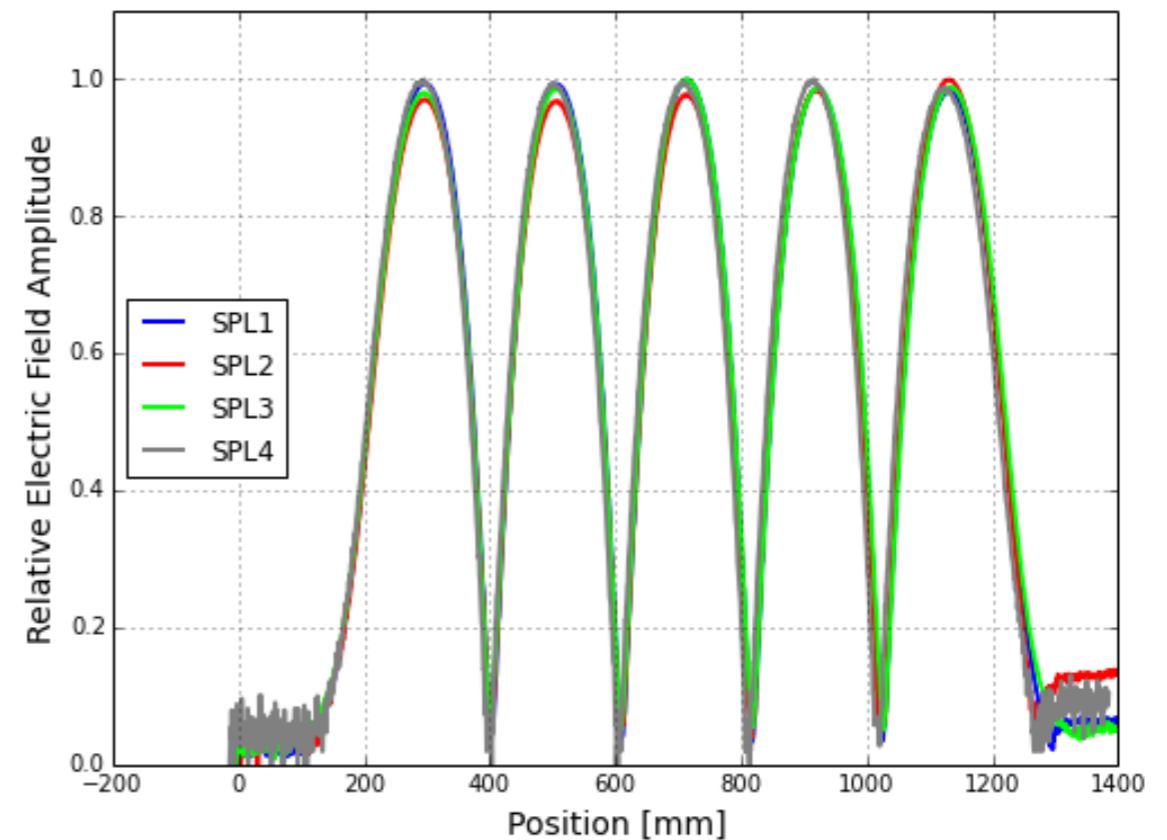
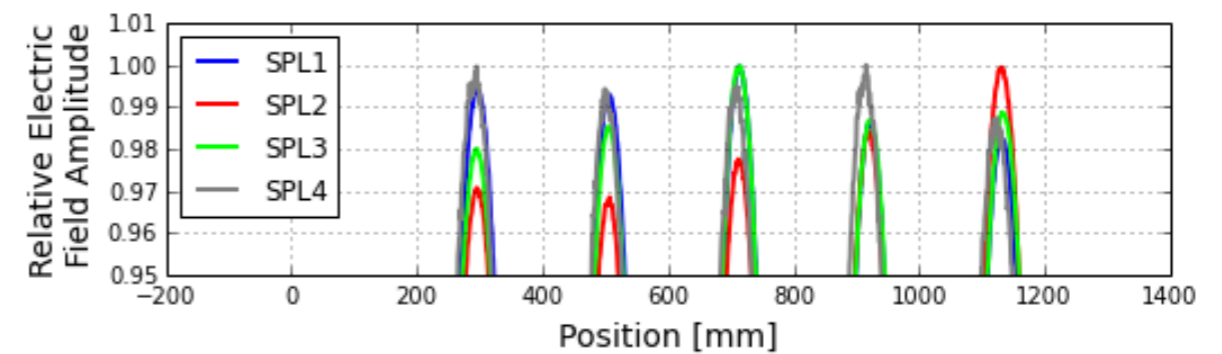


# 5-cell: Field Flatness



## • Field Flatness Measurement

- Phase method (transmission)
- 28 s sweep time (100 Hz IFBW)
- Bead: Dielectric, 5mm diameter
- Position Resolution: 0.8 mm



### Measured field flatness in %

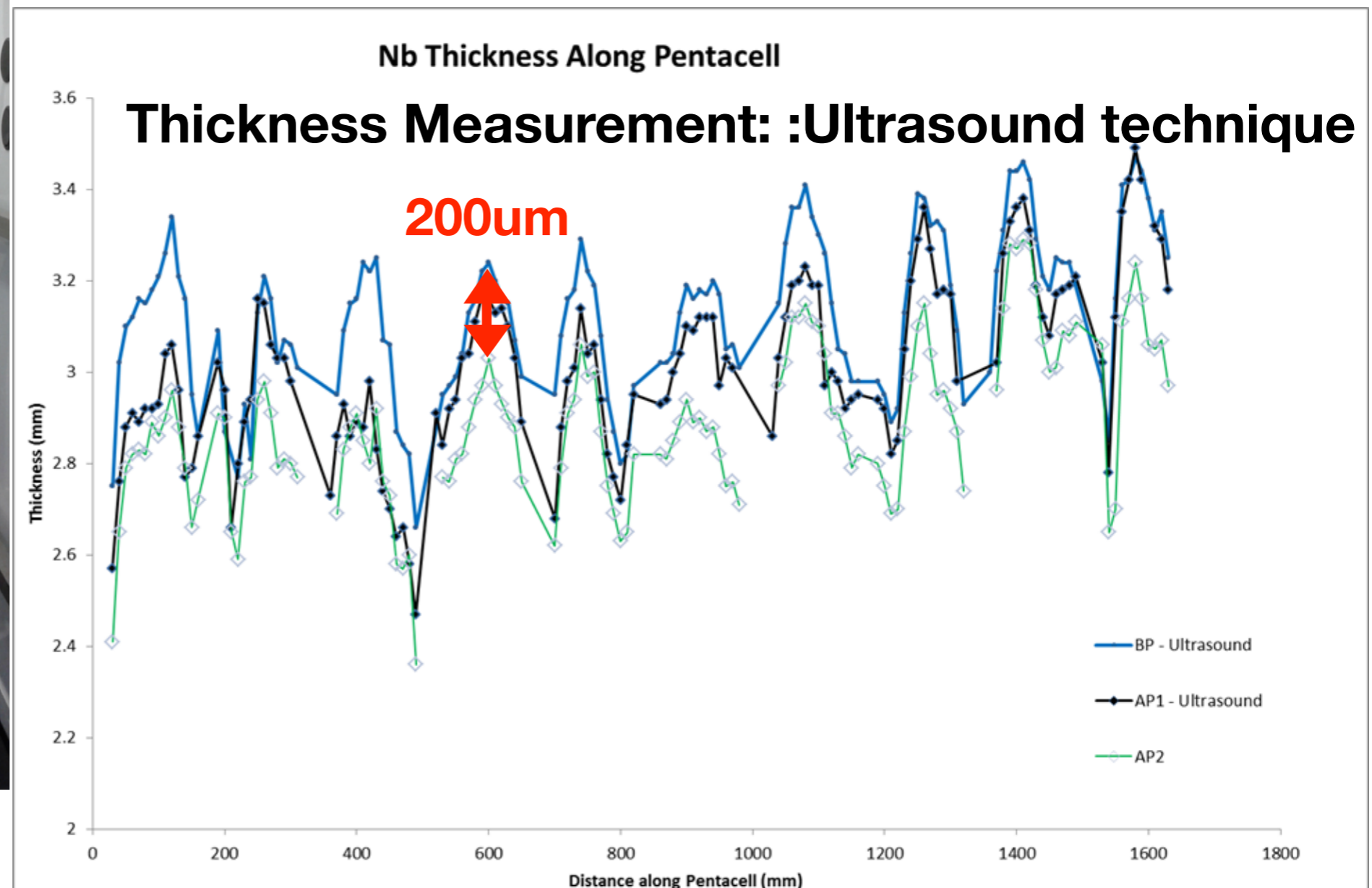
	SPL1	SPL2	SPL3	SPL4
RI: Before tuning	14.98	50.6	15.97	51.14
RI: After tuning	1.92	0.70	1.72	1.10
Required tuning steps	10	8	5	6
CERN: after delivery	1.70	<b>3.26</b>	1.99	1.25
$\delta$ (CERN:after delivery)	0.03	<b>0.18</b>	0.07	0.39
At CERN after EP	7.98			

**Field Flatness Specification < 2.5%**

# Nb 5-cell: Electropolishing

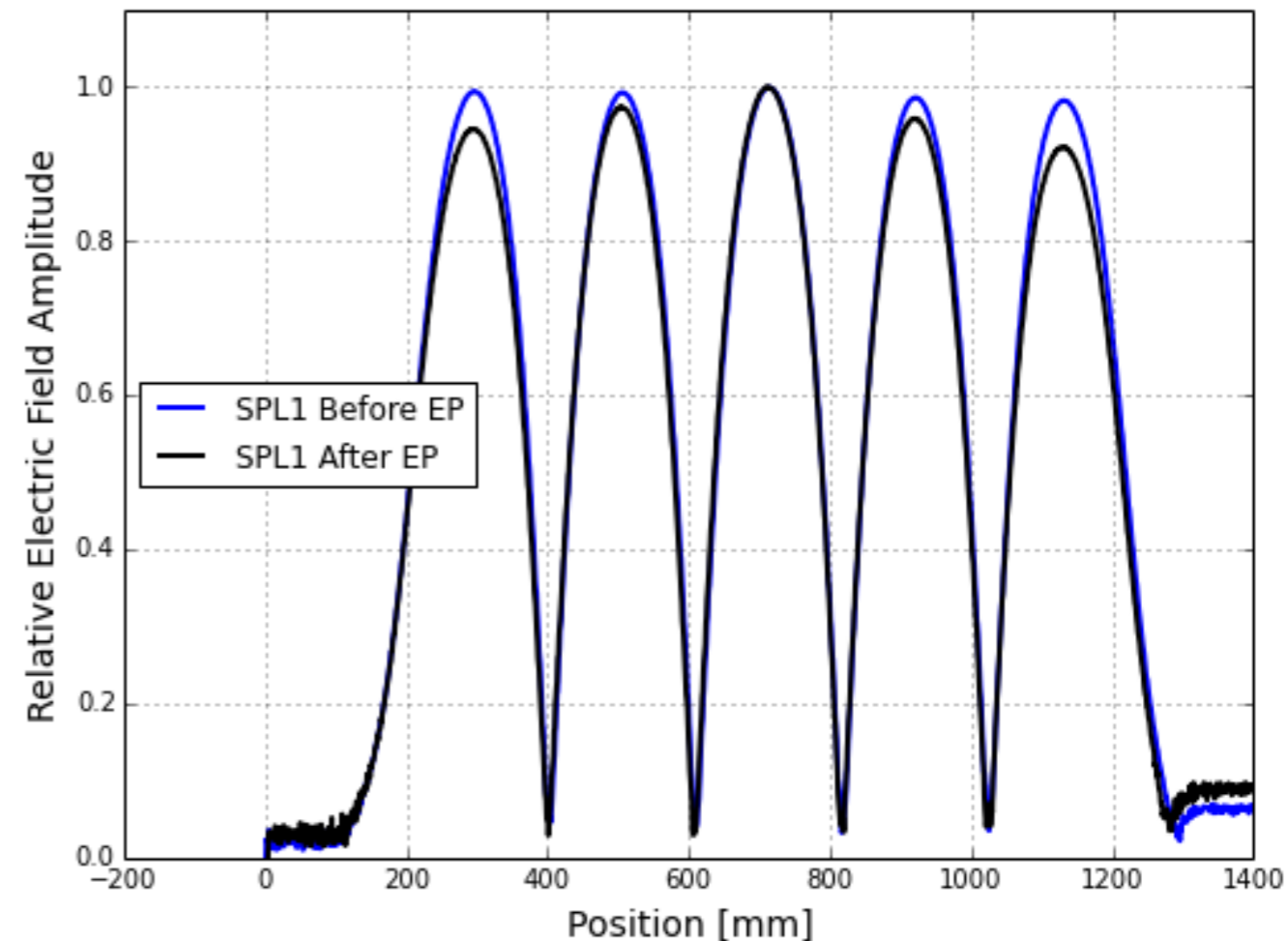


- **Electro-polishing: vertical orientation**
  - ~200 um removed
  - 2 step process: 180o after ~100um removal
  - Bath: 90% Sulphuric: 10% Hydrofluoric acid



# Nb 5-cell: Field flatness and wall thickness after EP

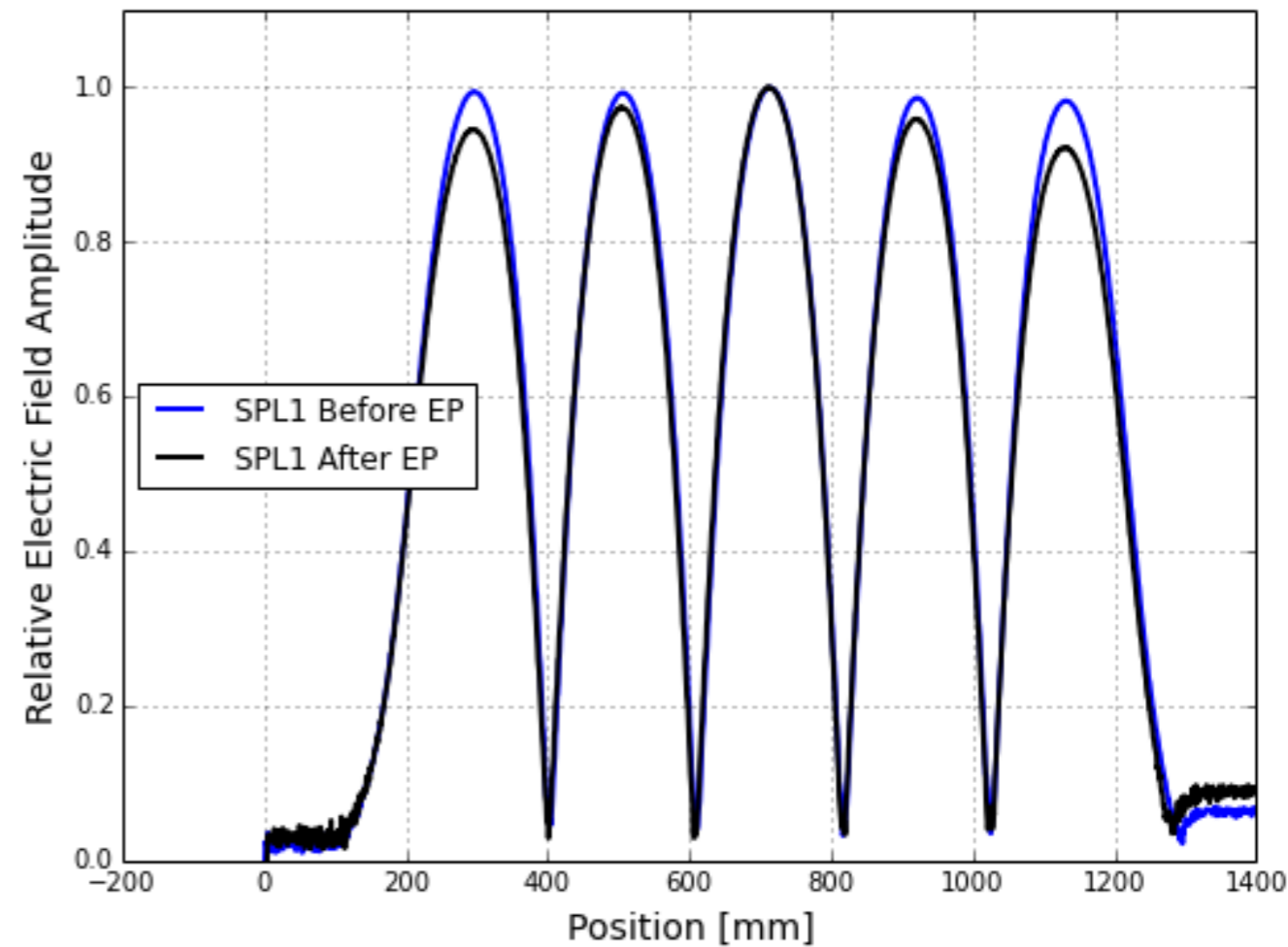
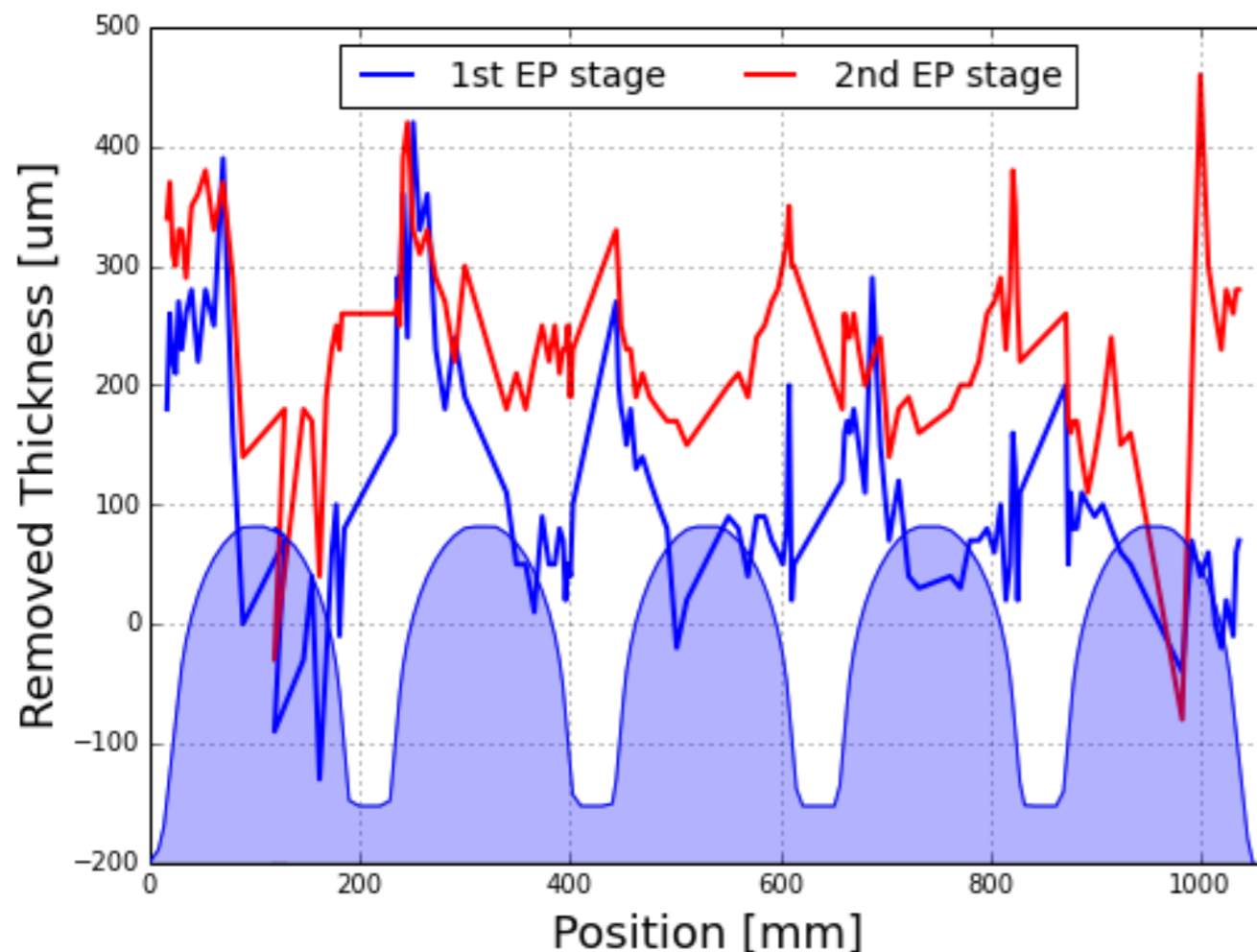
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- **Ultra-sound Thickness cross check**

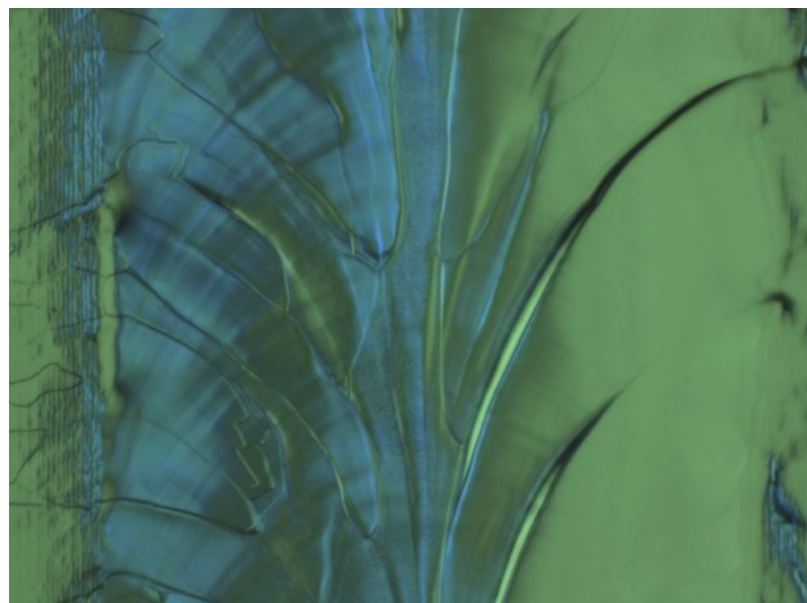
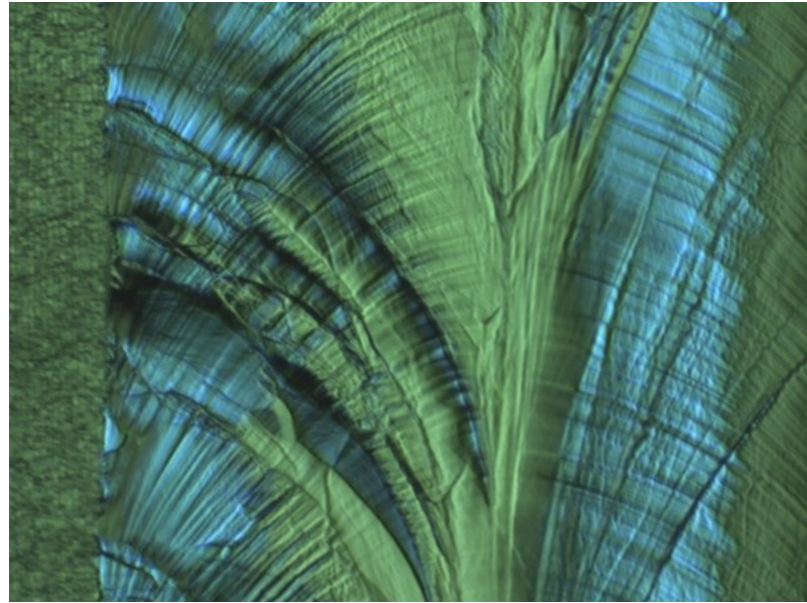
- Cavity thickness measured by ultrasound technique
- Measured before EP, after 100um EP, and after cavity rotated and another 100um removed

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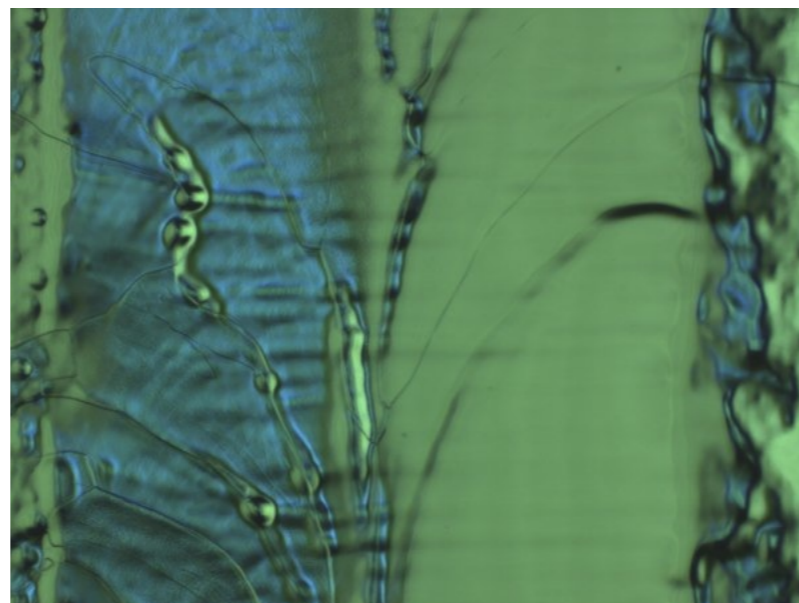
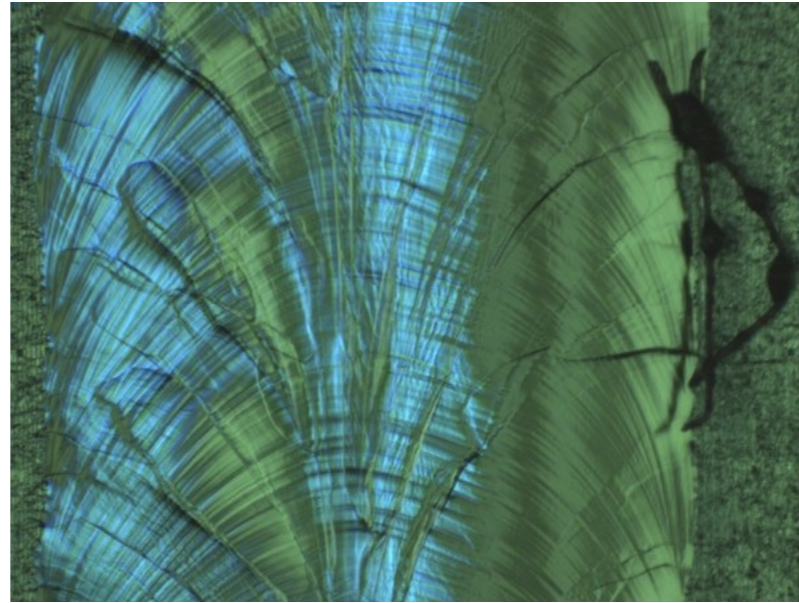
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- Inspection before and after electro-polishing: ~200um removed

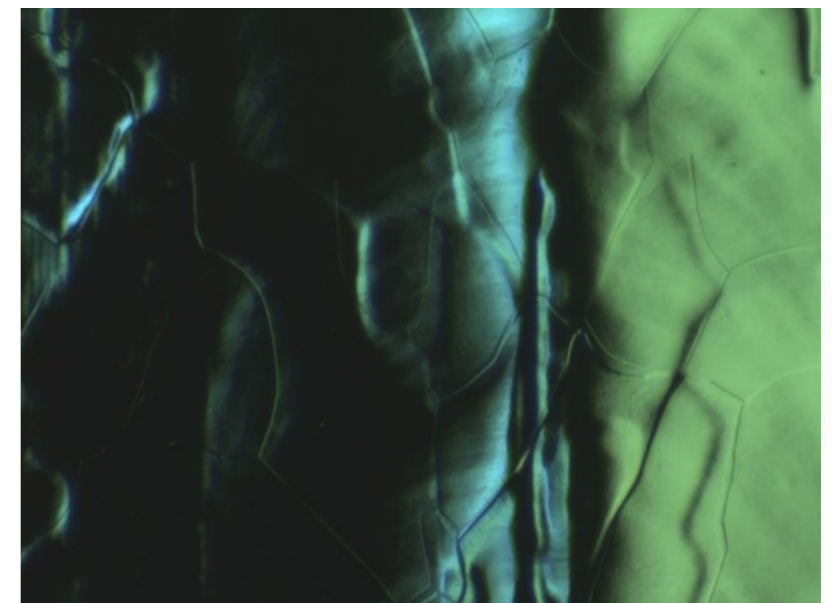
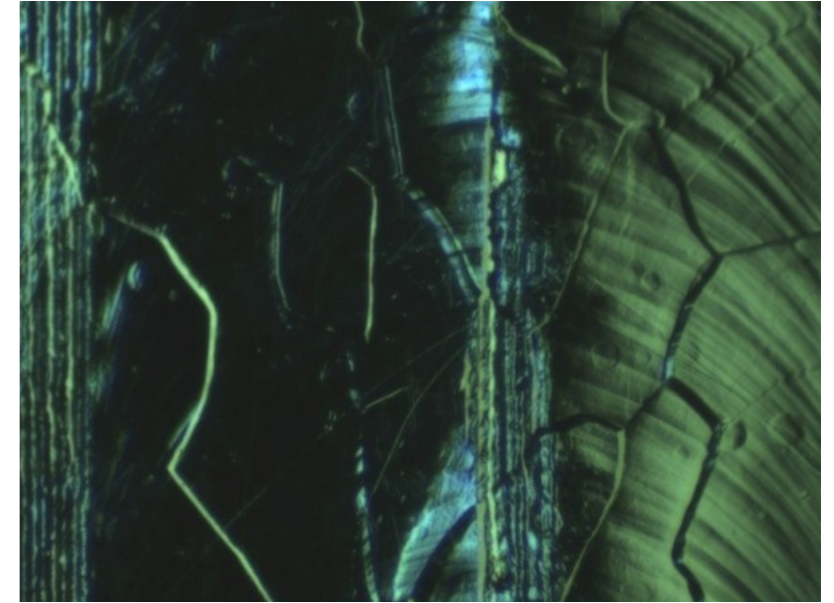
Equator weld features



Surface Objects



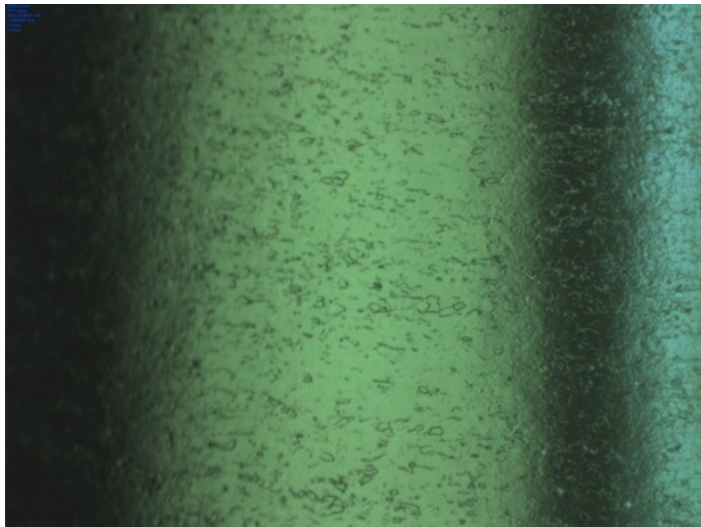
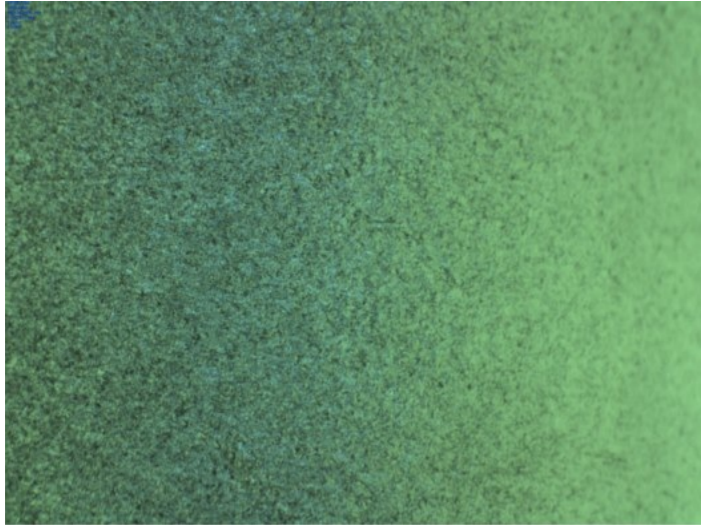
Scratch on Iris



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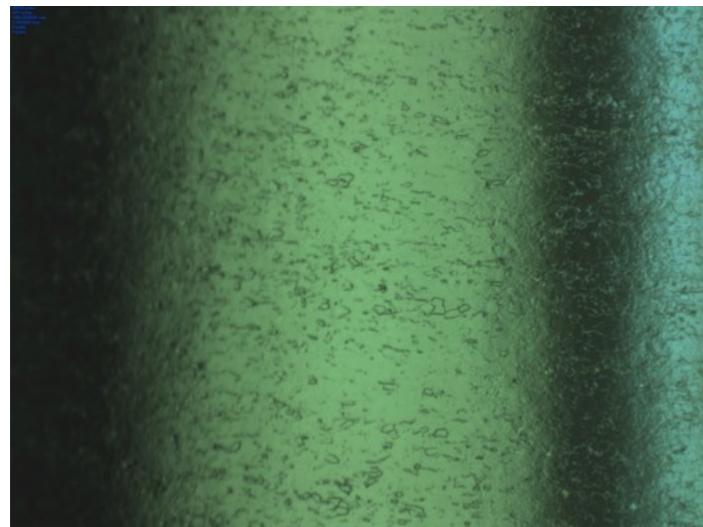
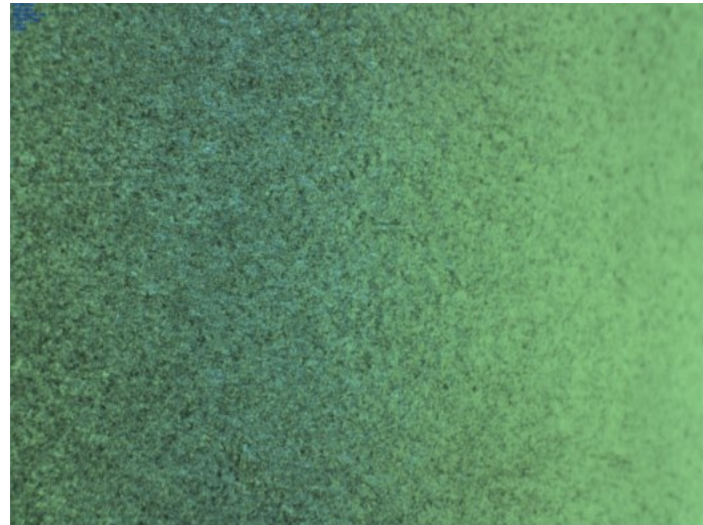
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General Surface



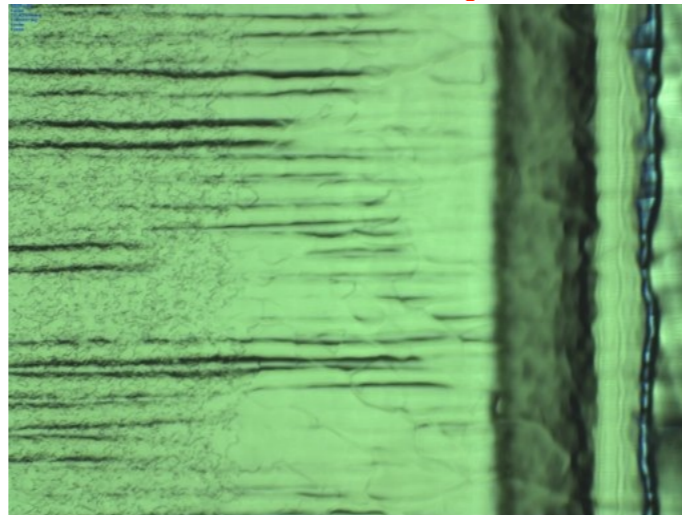
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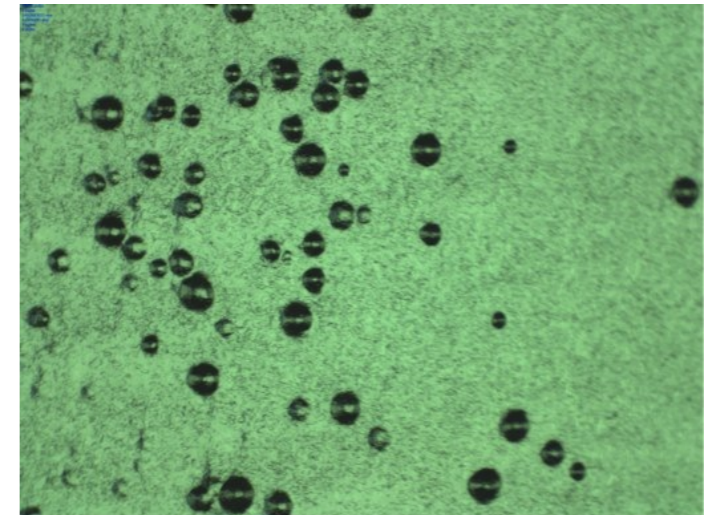


New features after electro-polishing

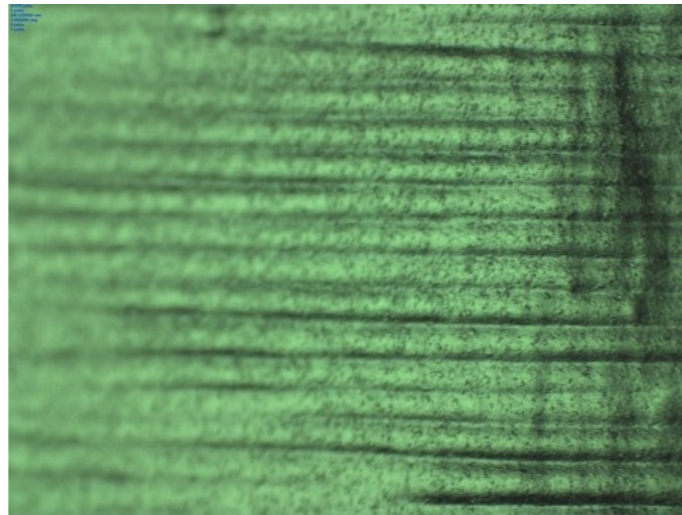
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**Cell 4: Near Iris**

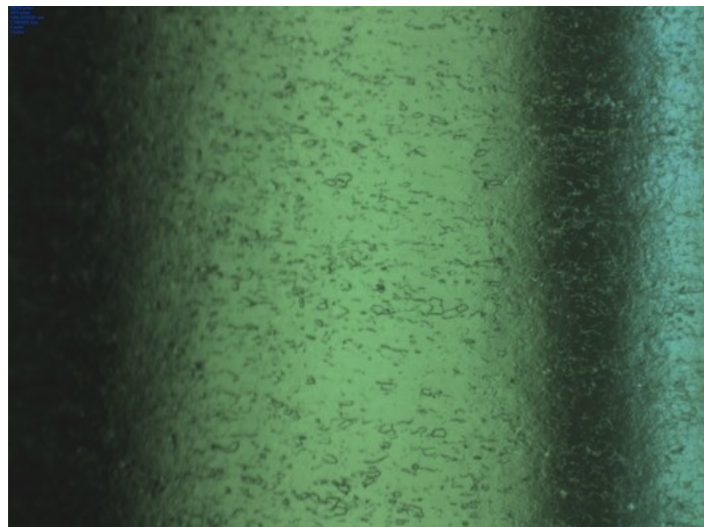
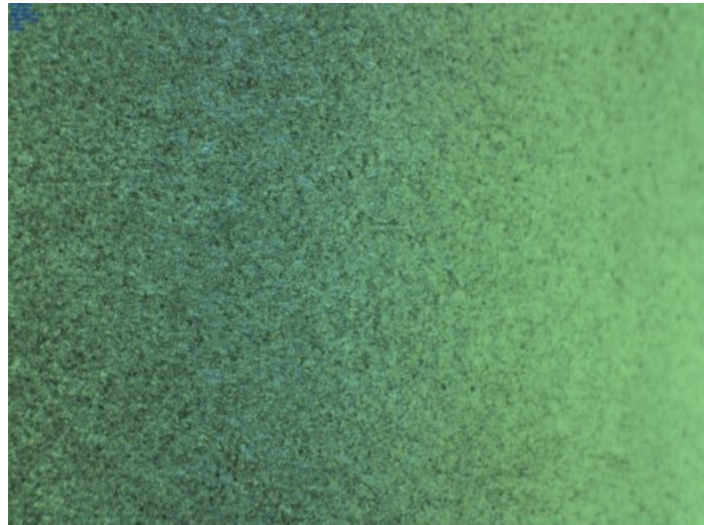


**Cell 2: Middle of half cell**



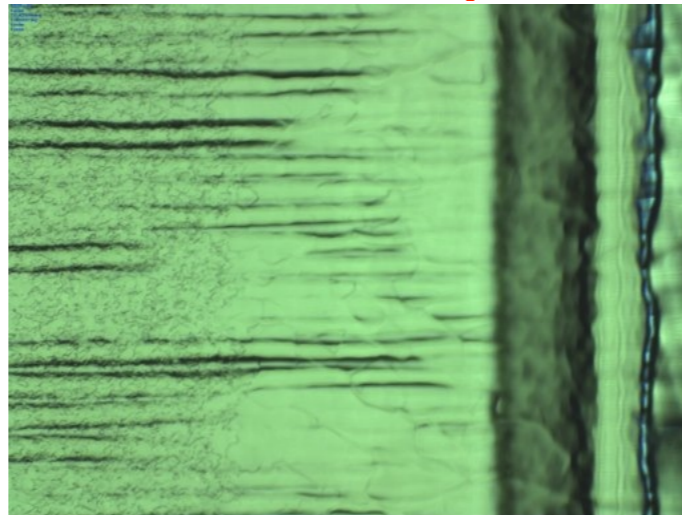
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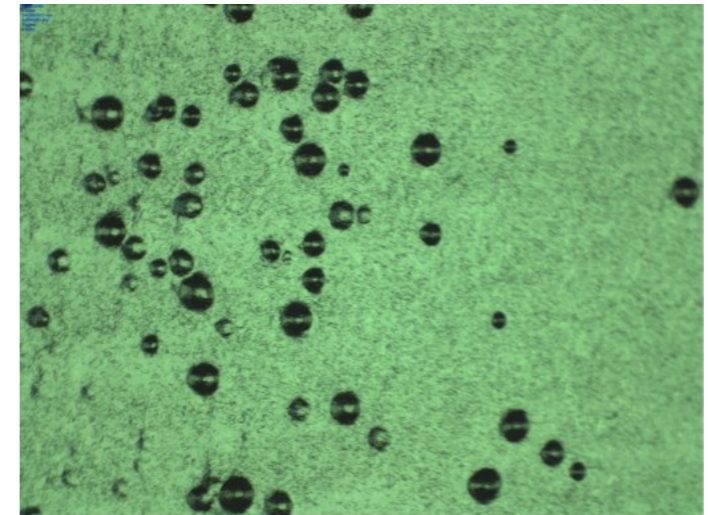


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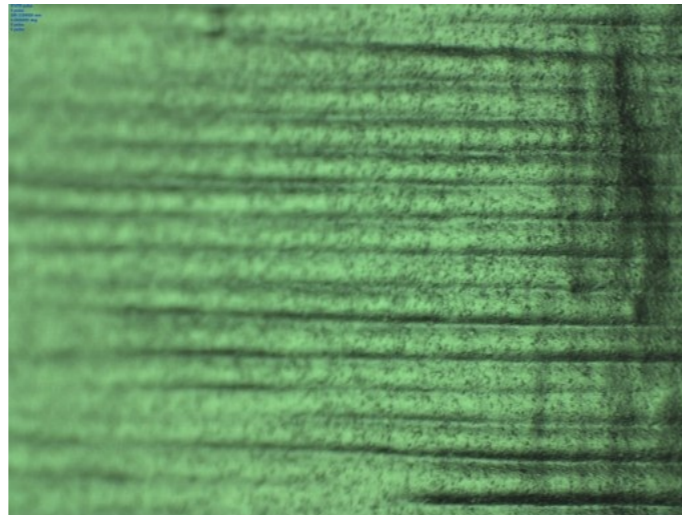
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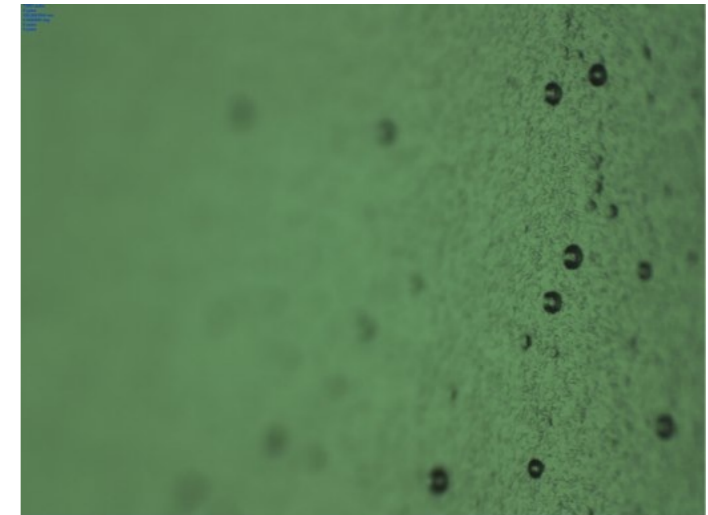
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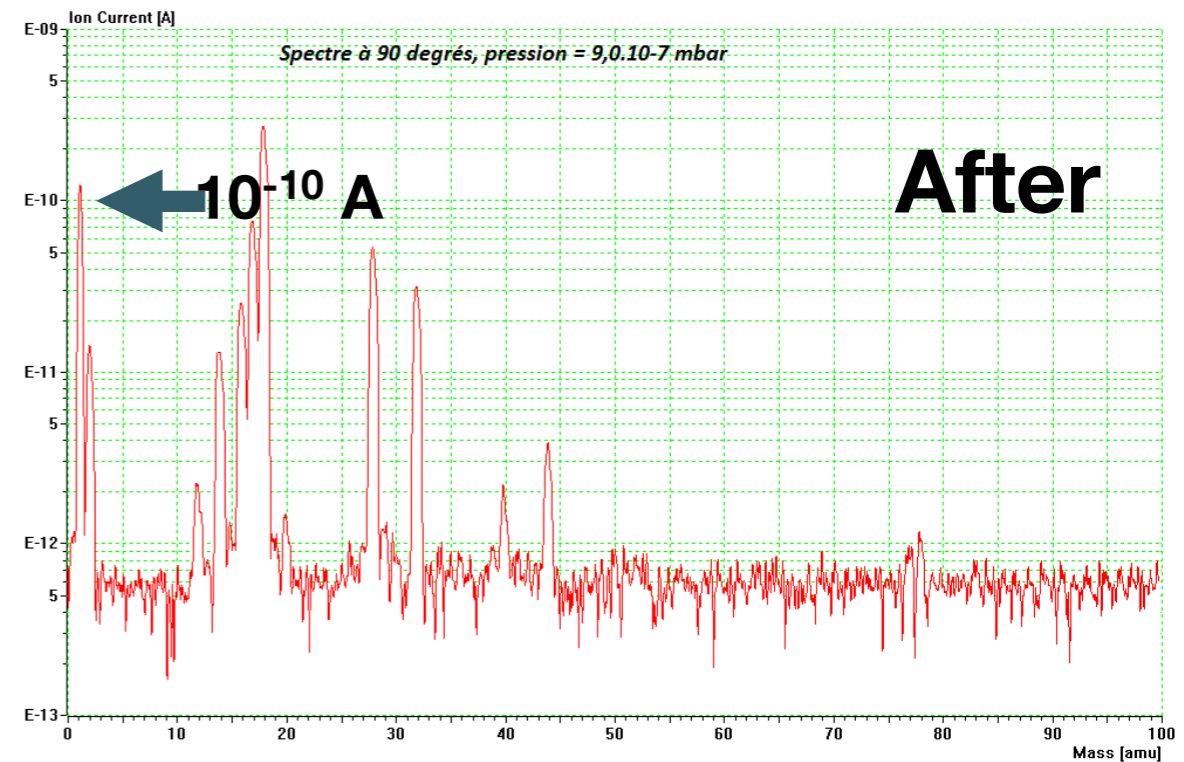
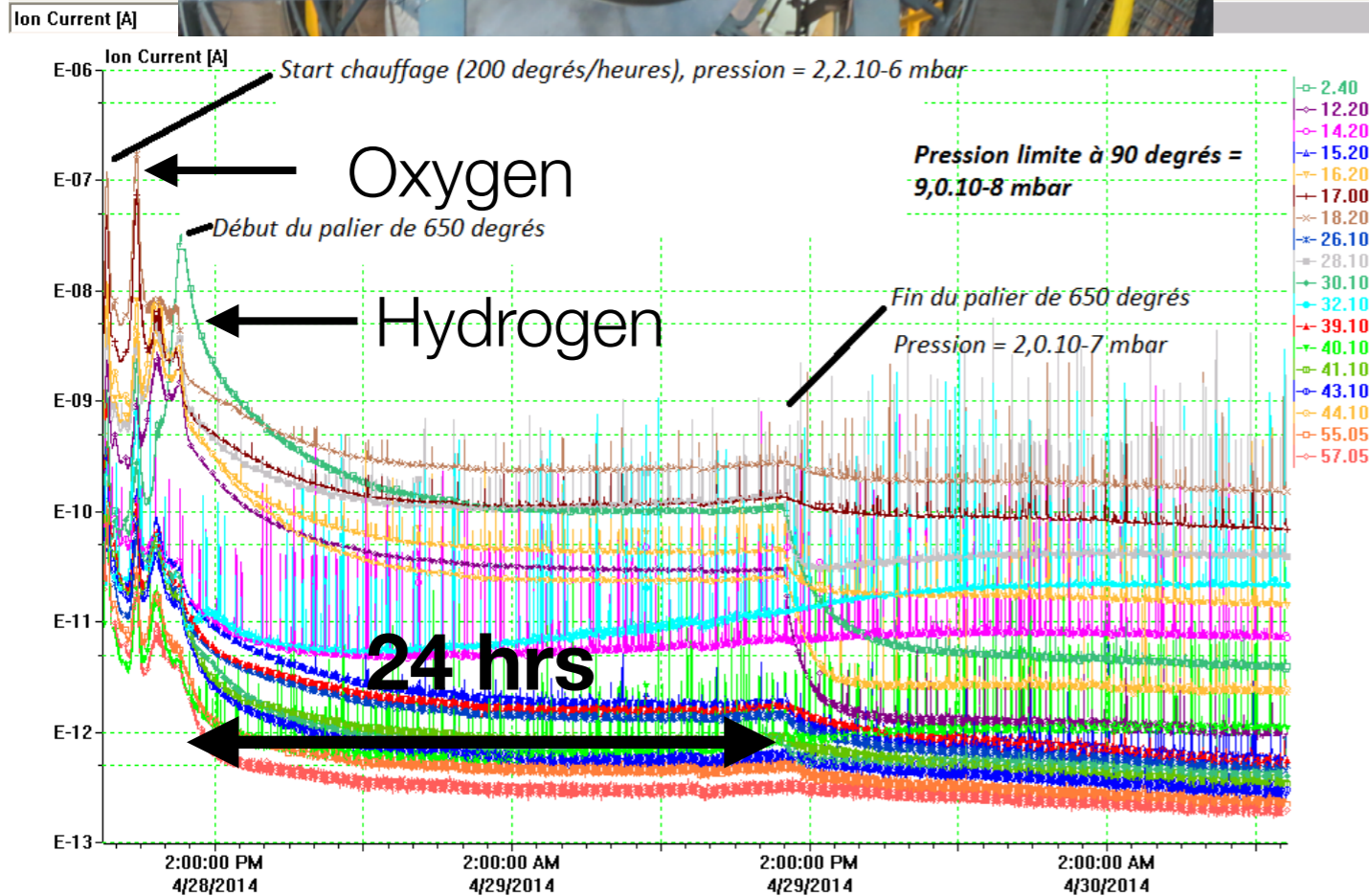
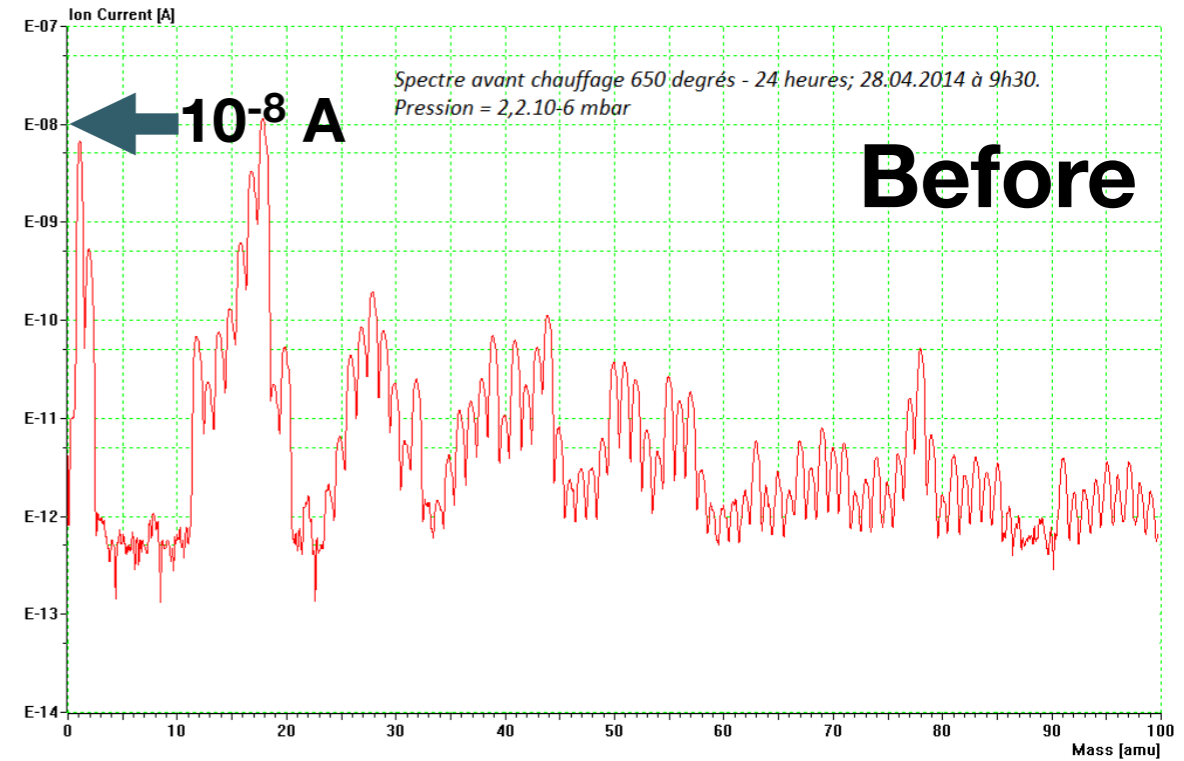


- New features imply modification of EP program, in order to suppress them
  - Suspicion: observed features related to vertical EP stand and size of cavity



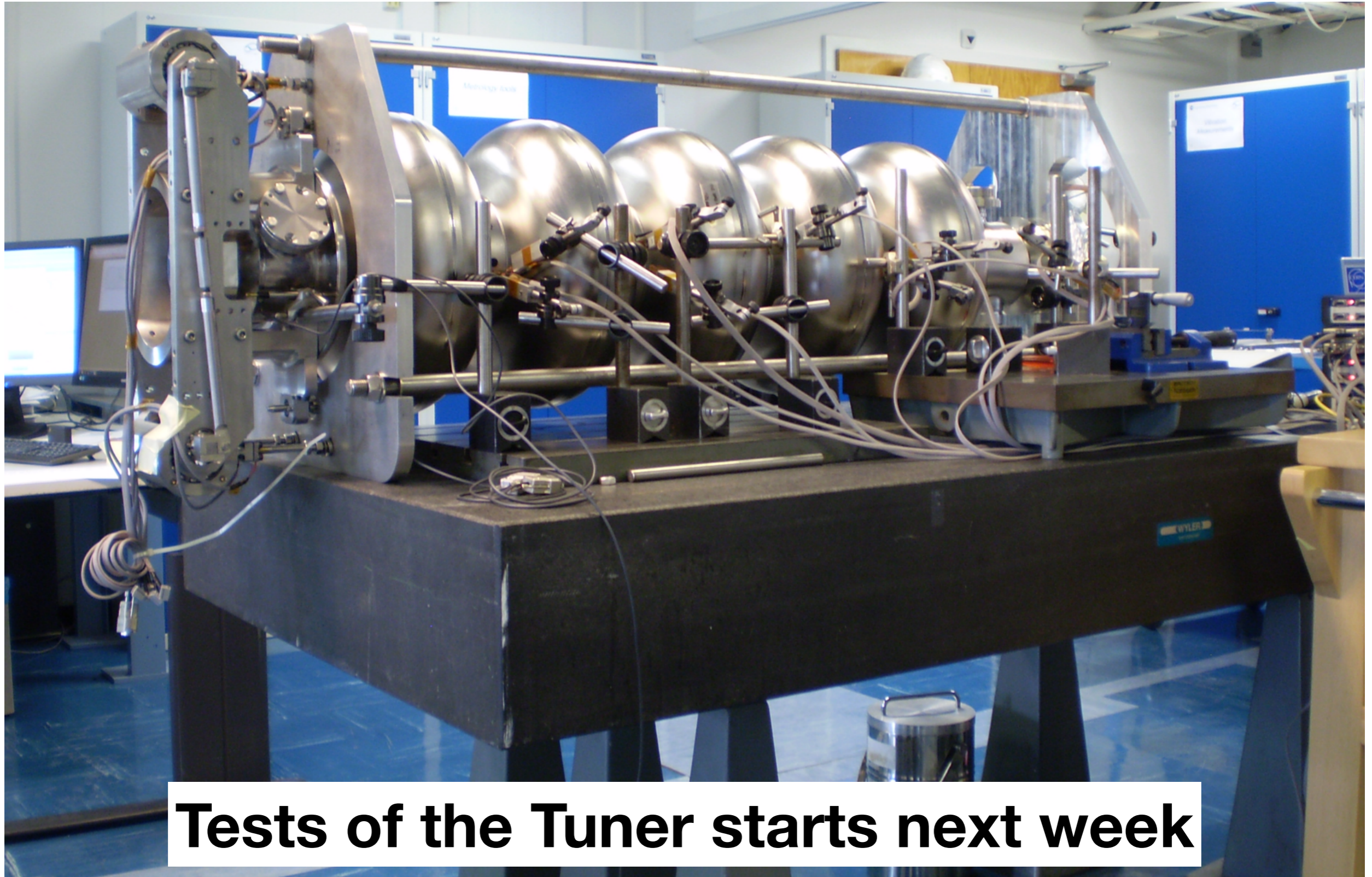
# SPL Nb 5-Cell: Thermal Treatment

- Thermal Treatment: 650 °C for 24hrs



Same thermal treatment  
as SACLAY cavity

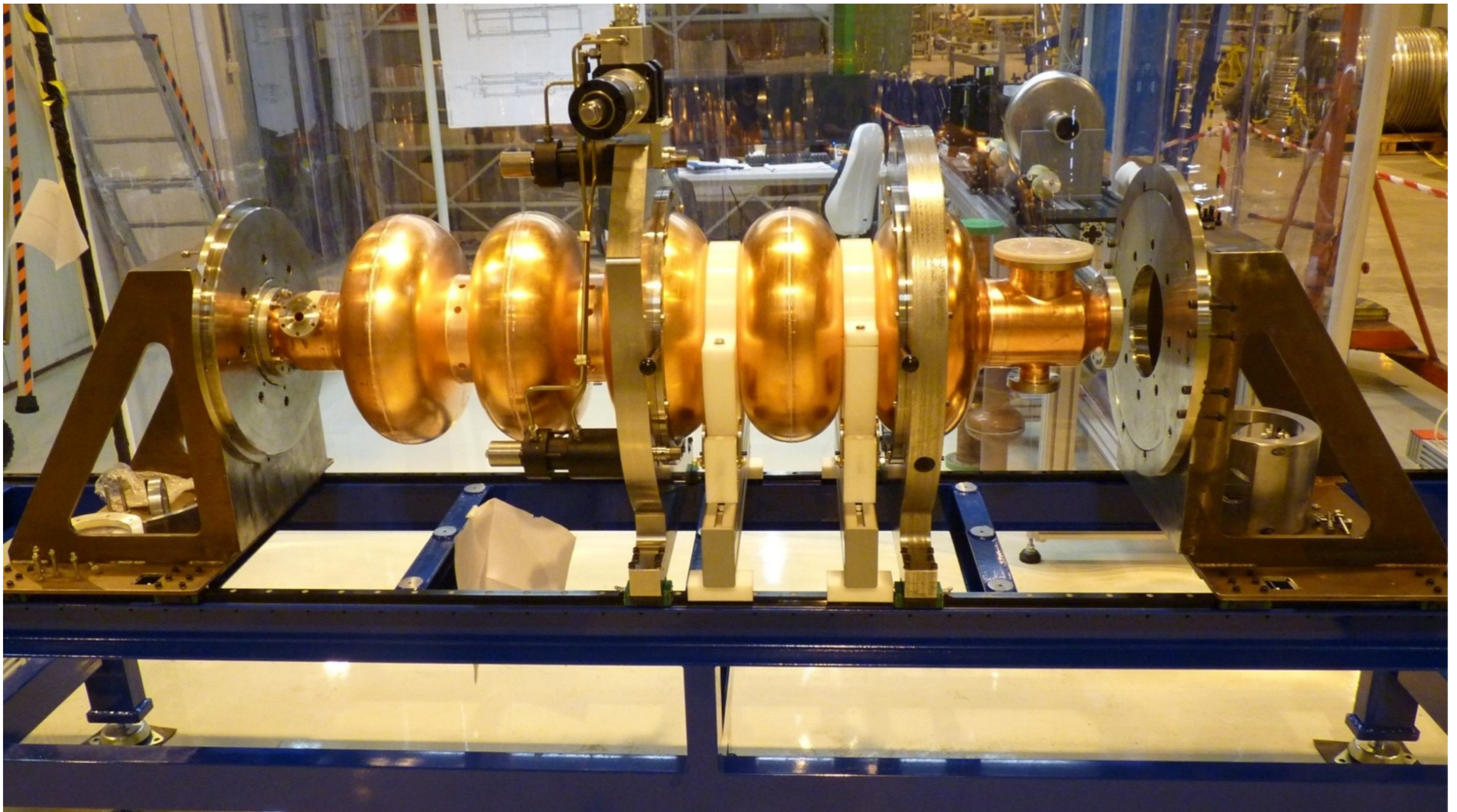
# 5-Cell Tuner Test Preparations



# SPL Tuning Bench

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- **Tuning Bench Status:**
  - Retooling required as bench could not deliver sufficient plastic deformation
  - Retooling is finishing: **Validation expected in June**



# Summary Comments

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- **Infrastructure for RF testing of SPL Nb 5-cell cavities is converging**
  - Realities of procedure for cavity preparation being worked out.
  - Test of SPL Nb 5-cell: **On target for cold test starting late June 2014.**
- **Technical training and technical expertise for SPL RF testing is in place**
- **SPL Monocell: An excellent test cavity**
  - Successfully used as prototype: not foreseen as a high performance cavity.
  - Cold test limited by field emission
- **SPL Nb 5-cell cavities ( as received) are mostly within RF specification**
- **Electro-polishing process**
  - Attention needed regarding pinholes and “channel” features
- **Validation activities with SPL Nb cavities for tuning bench (plastic deformation) and tuner (elastic deformation) starting**