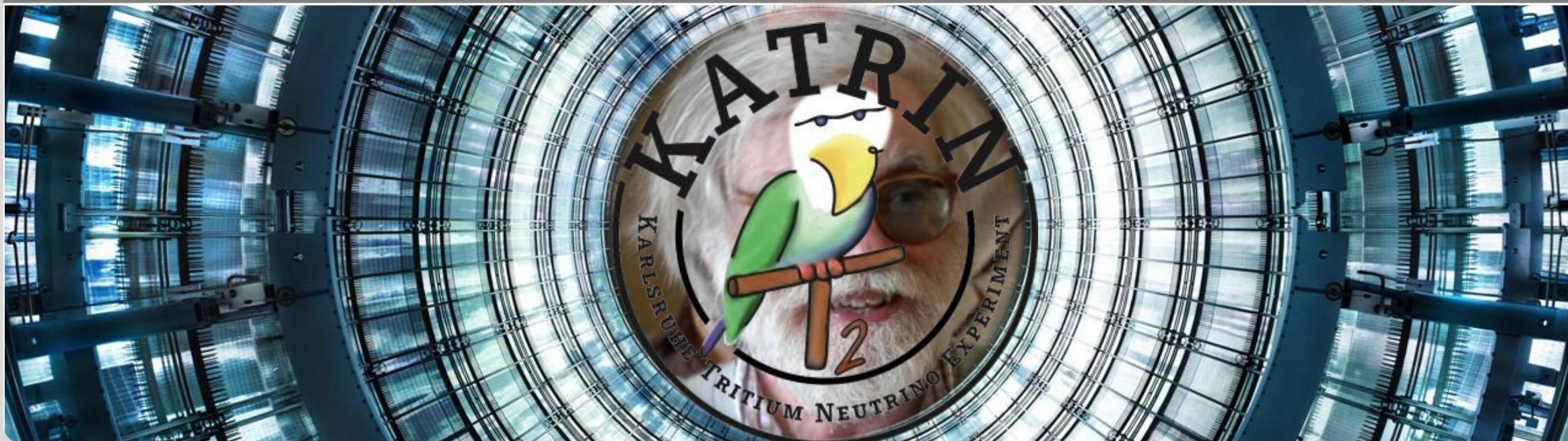
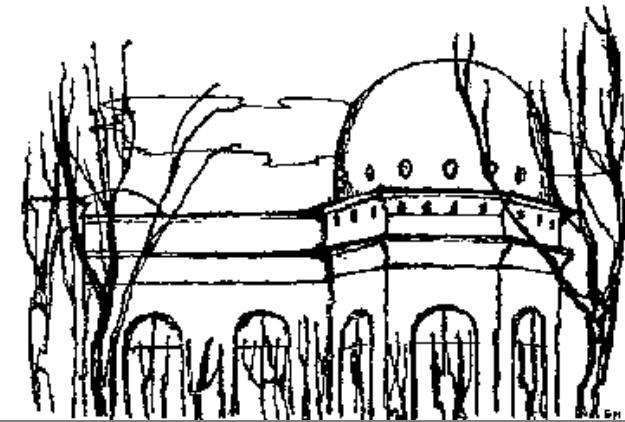


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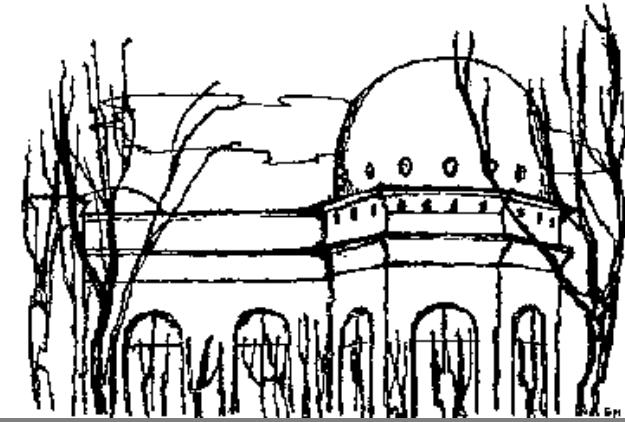
in memoriam of Hector J. de Vega



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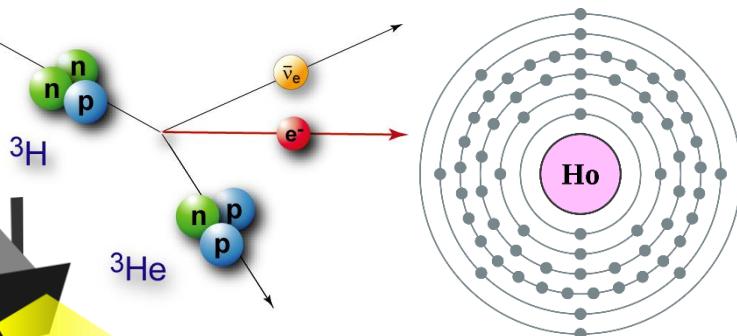


- introduction:  $\beta$ -spectroscopy &  $\nu$ -mass
- MAC-E filters & previous approaches
- KATRIN design & status
- searching for keV-mass sterile neutrinos
- conclusions

# hunting neutrino masses

## kinematics weak decays

- $\beta$ -decay:  $^3\text{H}$ , EC:  $^{163}\text{Ho}$
- **model-independent**

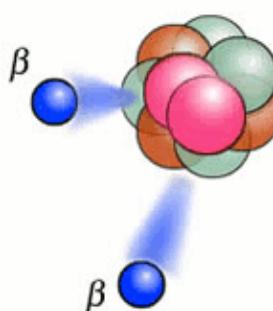


$$m(\nu_e) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 \cdot m_i^2}$$



## search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

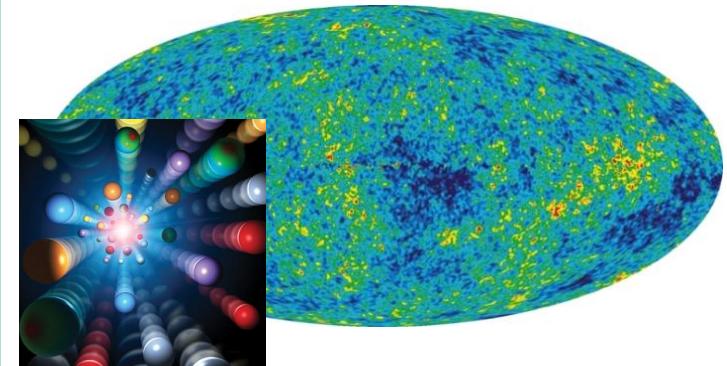
- $\beta\beta$ -decay  $^{76}\text{Ge}, ^{130}\text{Te}, \dots$
- model-dependent ( $\alpha_i$ )



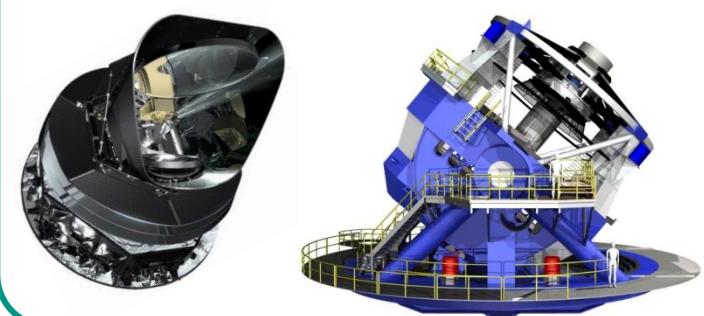
quenching of  $g_A$ ?  
hep-ph  
1404.2616v2  
strong impact  
on  $m_{\beta\beta}$

## cosmology

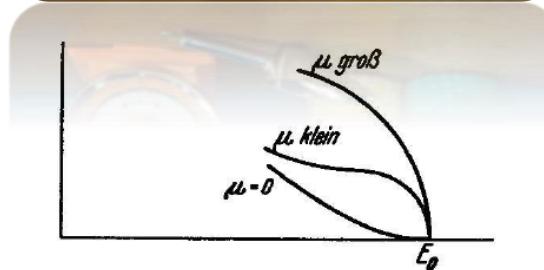
- LSS: CMB, GRS, WL, ...
- model-dependent ( $\leftrightarrow w$ )



$$m_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^3 m_i$$



# $\nu$ -mass & $\beta$ -spectroscopy



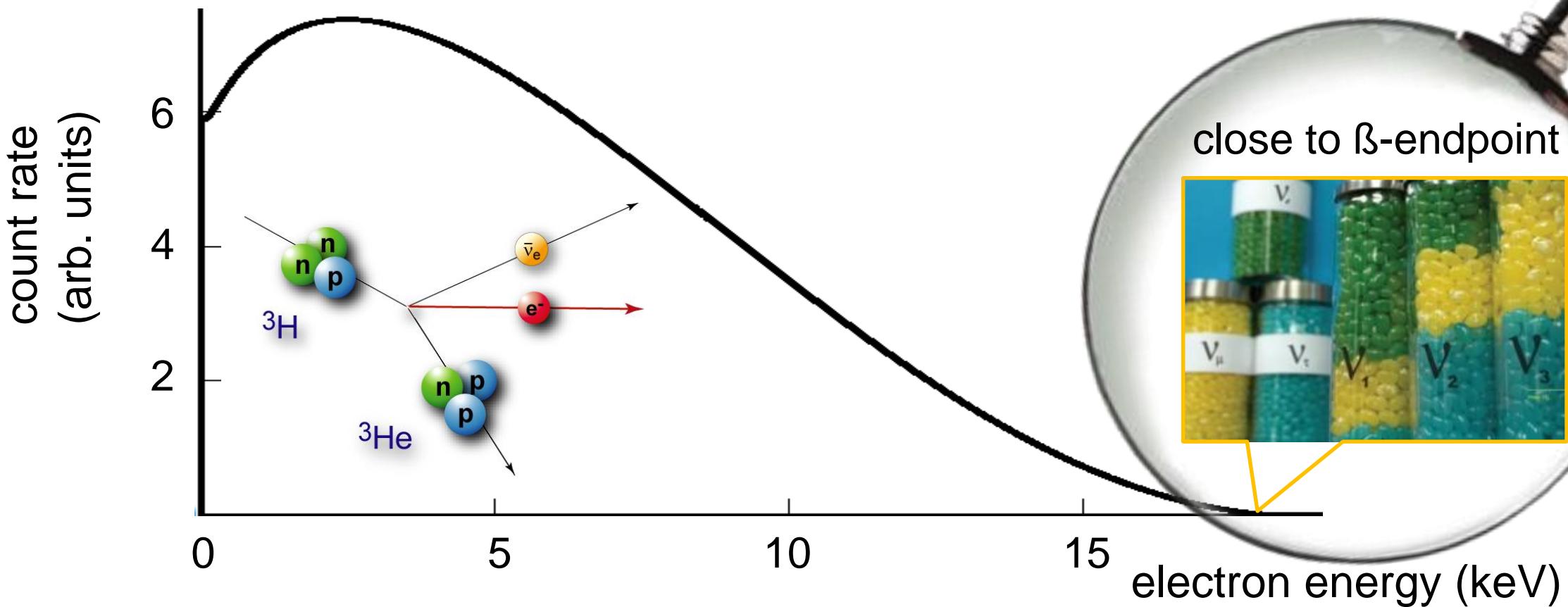
Review: G.D., V. Hannen, S. Mertens, C. Weinheimer, *Current Direct Neutrino Mass Experiments*,  
Advances in High Energy Physics Vol. 2013, ID293986

# $\beta$ -decay: kinematics

- model independent measurement of  $m(\nu_e)$ 
  - based only on **kinematic parameters & energy conservation**



$$\frac{d\Gamma_i}{dE} = C \cdot p \cdot (E + m_e) \cdot (E_0 - E) \cdot \sqrt{(E_0 - E)^2 - m_i^2} \cdot F(E, Z) \cdot \theta(E_0 - E - m_i)$$

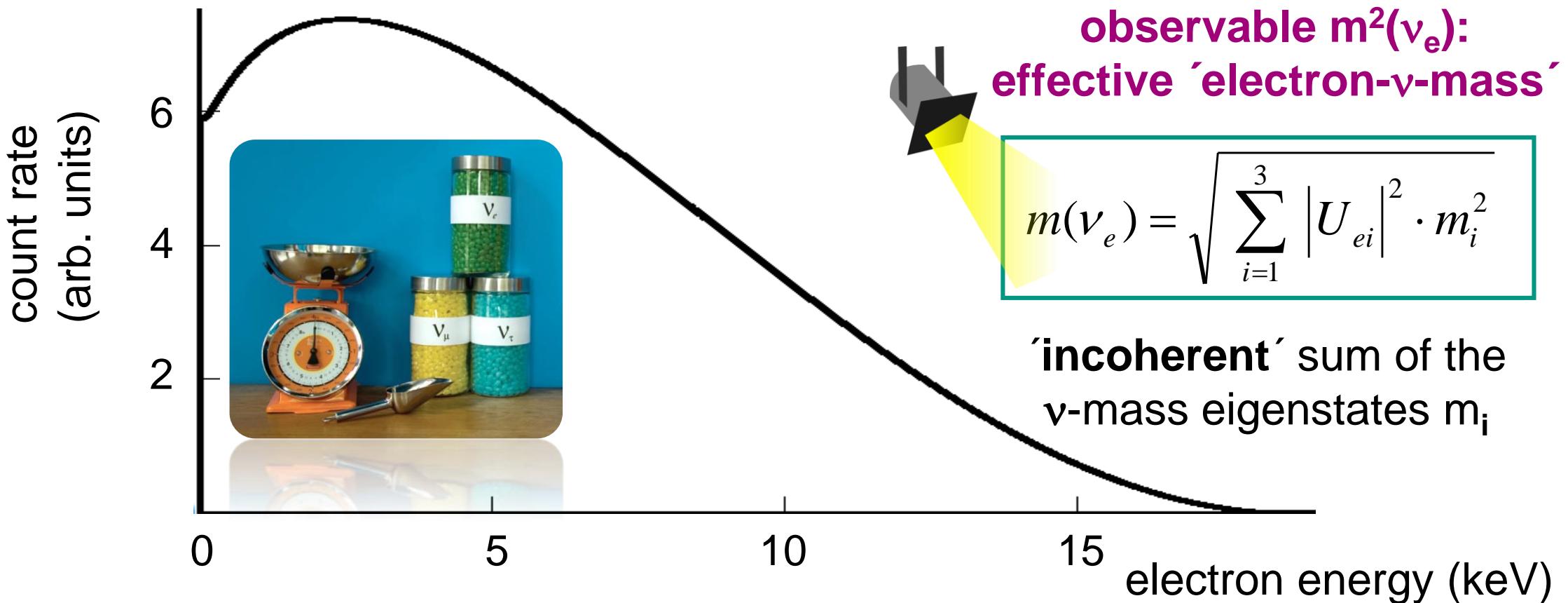


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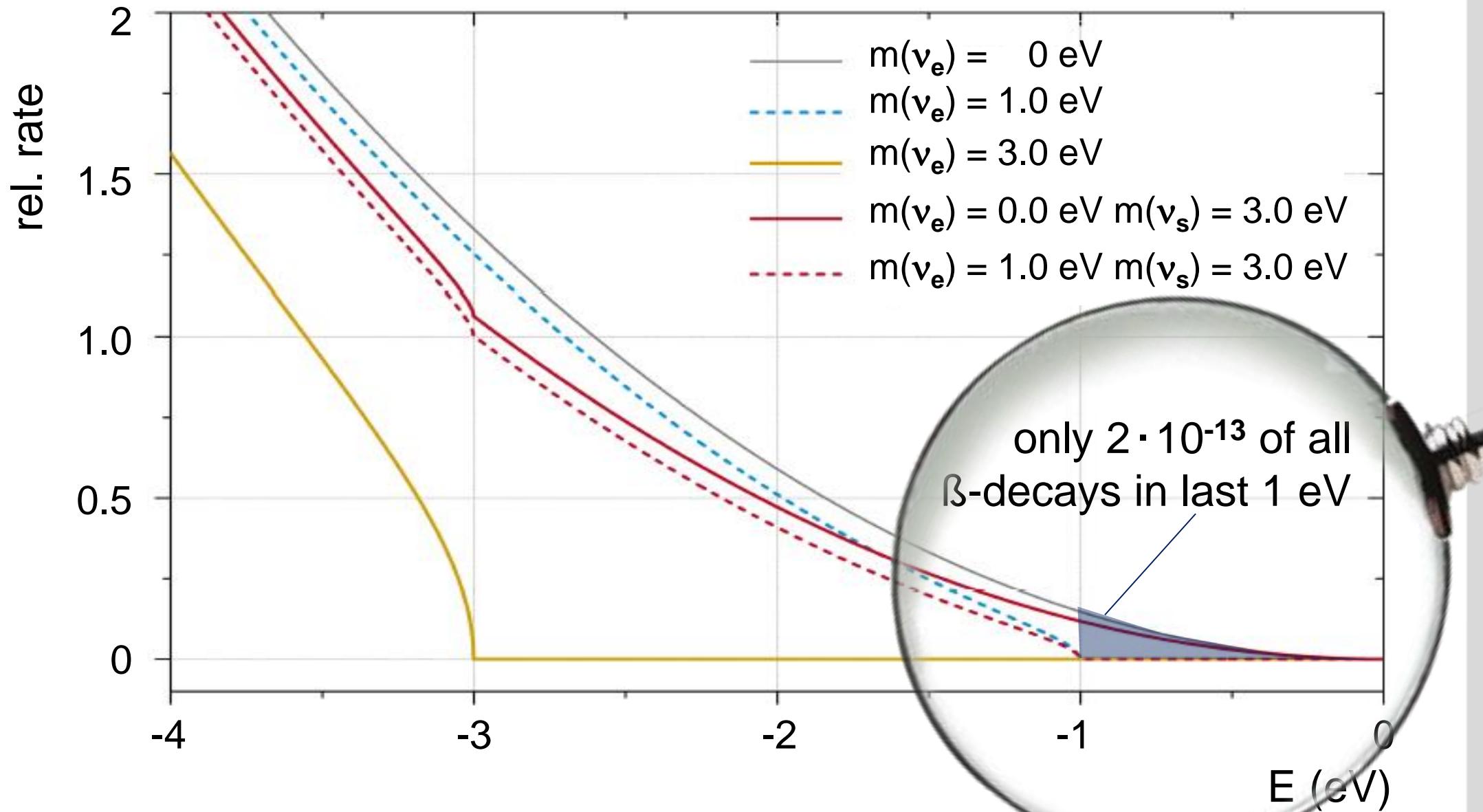


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# $\beta$ -decay: relative shape modification

- **relative shape measurement** only, as precision of external  $E_0$  only  $\sim \text{eV}$

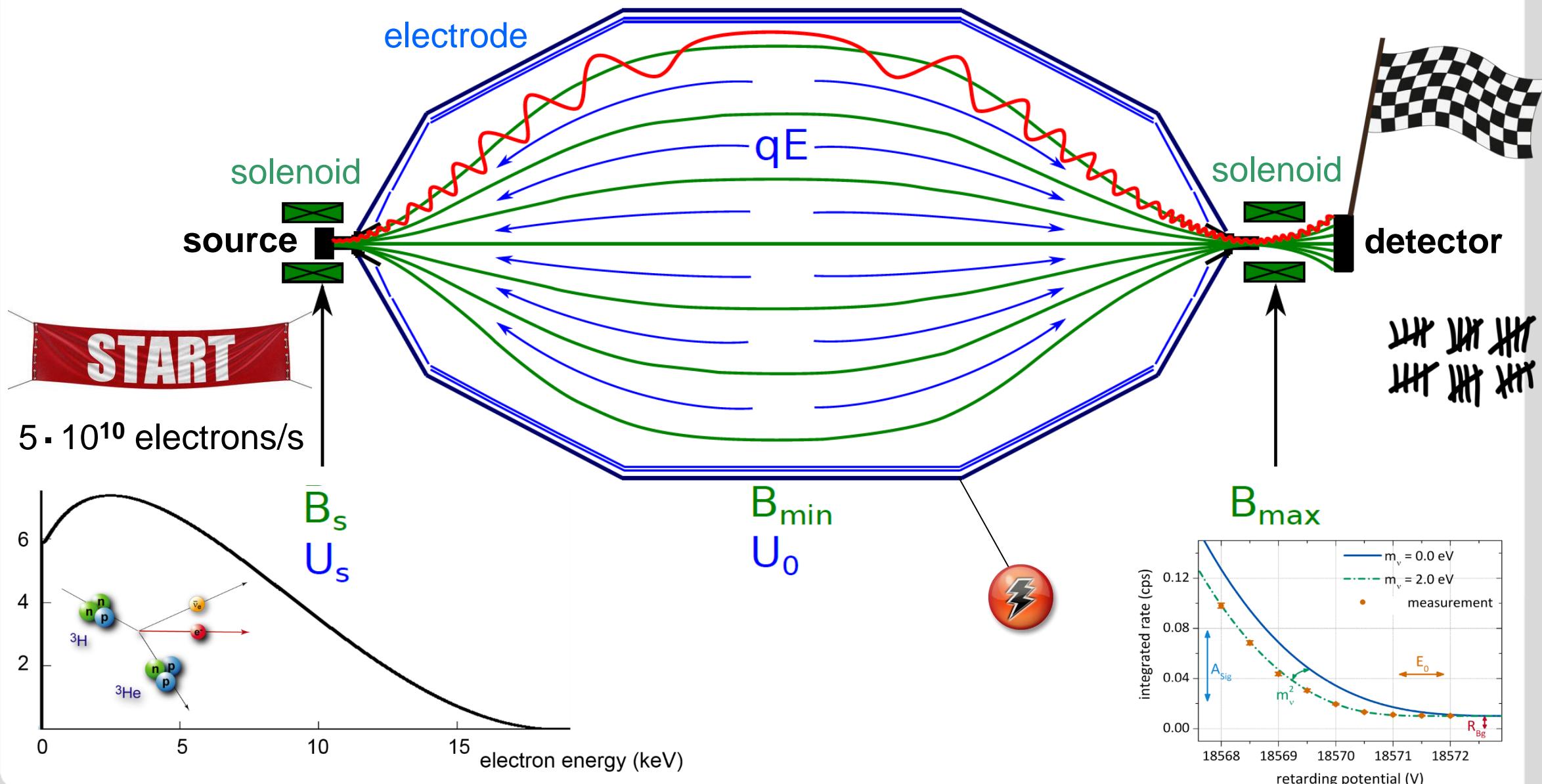


# MAC-E filter & previous T2 experiments



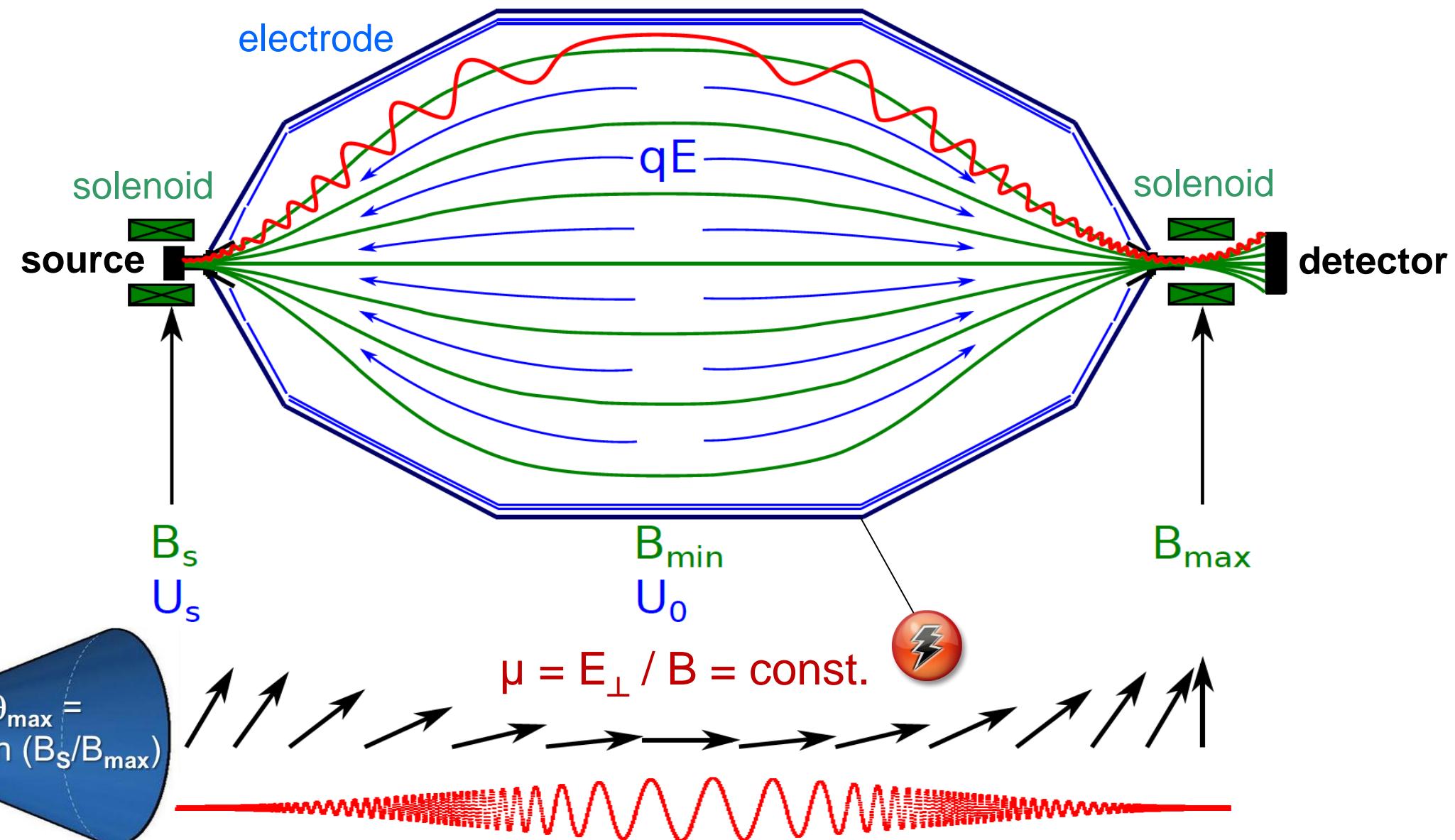
# MAC-E principle: Mainz, Troitsk, KATRIN

## ■ Magnetic Adiabatic Collimation & Electrostatic Filter



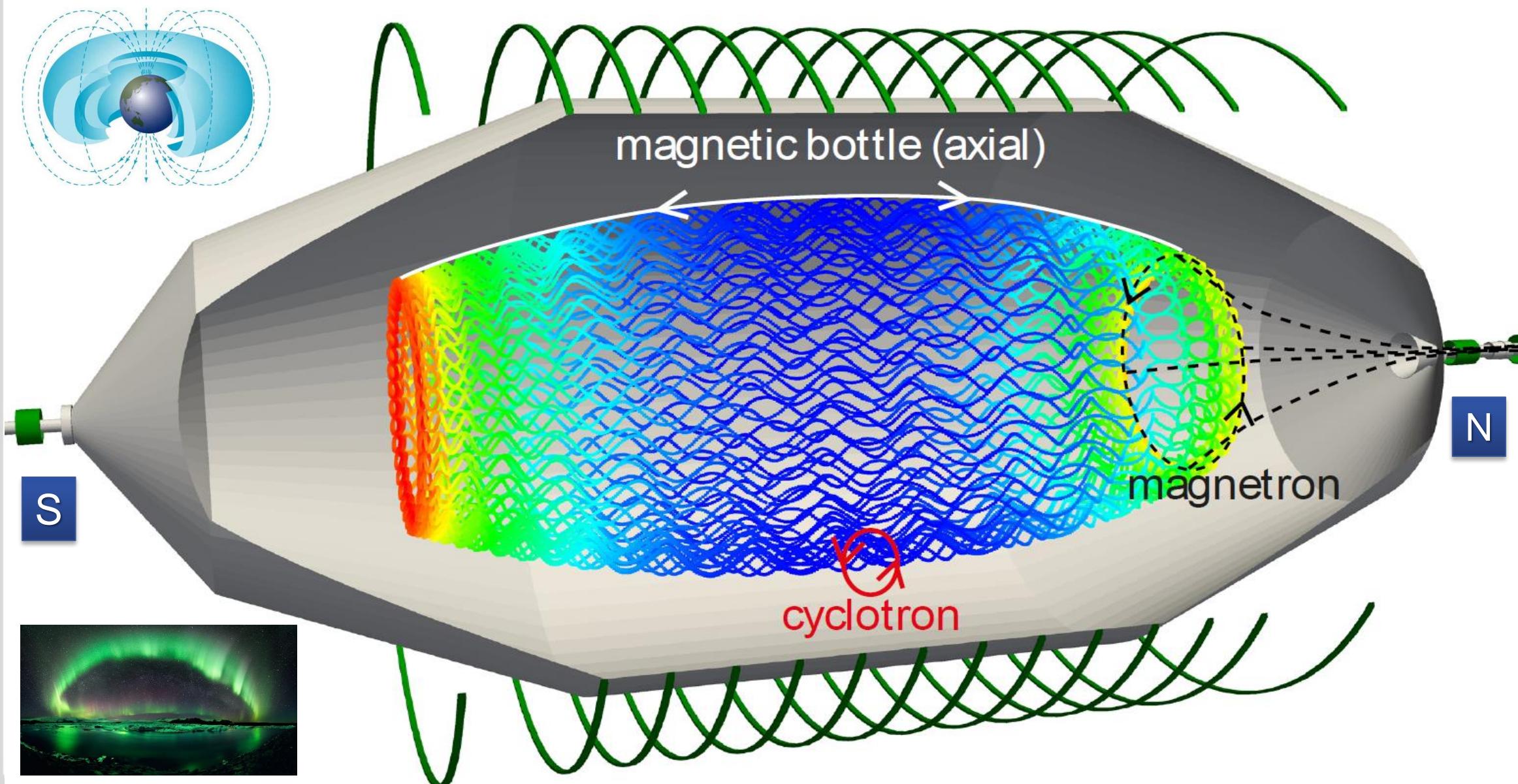
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# MAC-E principle: Mainz, Troitsk, KATRIN

■ Magnetic Adiabatic Collimation & Electrostatic Filter = magnetic bottle



# Troitsk & Mainz experiments

## Troitsk experiment

- windowless gaseous tritium source



## Mainz experiment

- quench condensed tritium source



- **2011** re-analysis of selected data from 1994-2004: no evidence for Troitsk anomaly

$$m^2(\nu_e) = (-0.67 \pm 1.89 \pm 1.68) \text{ eV}^2$$

$$m(\nu_e) < 2.05 \text{ eV}$$

V.N. Aseev et al., Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) 112003

- **2004** final analysis of Mainz phase II data from 1998-2001: analysis of last 70 eV

$$m^2(\nu_e) = (-0.6 \pm 2.2 \pm 2.1) \text{ eV}^2$$

$$m(\nu_e) < 2.3 \text{ eV}$$

C. Kraus et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 40 (2005) 447

# KATRIN – design & status

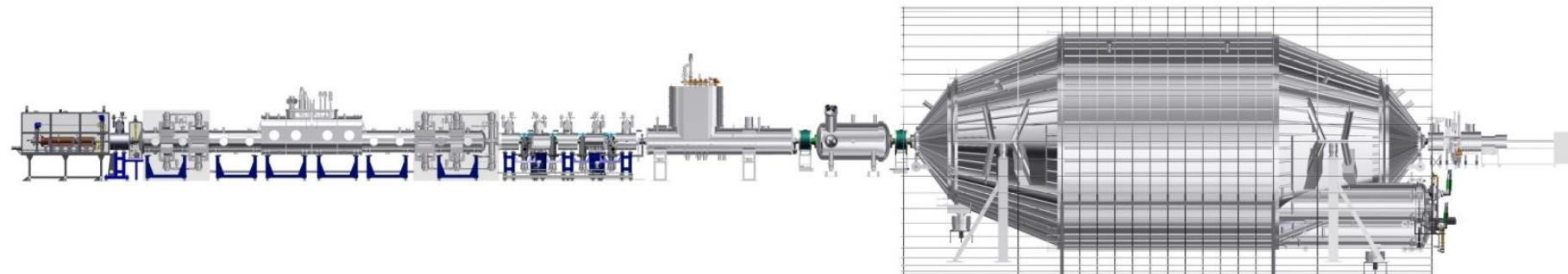


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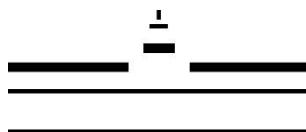


## ■ Karlsruhe Tritium Neutrino Experiment

- next-generation **direct  $\nu$ -mass experiment** at KIT
- International Collaboration: ~120 members
- 15 institutions in 5 countries: D, US, CZ, RUS, ES



## ■ KATRIN member institutions



WESTFÄLISCHE  
WILHELMS-UNIVERSITÄT  
MÜNSTER



*Hochschule Fulda*

University of Applied Sciences



THE UNIVERSITY  
of NORTH CAROLINA  
at CHAPEL HILL



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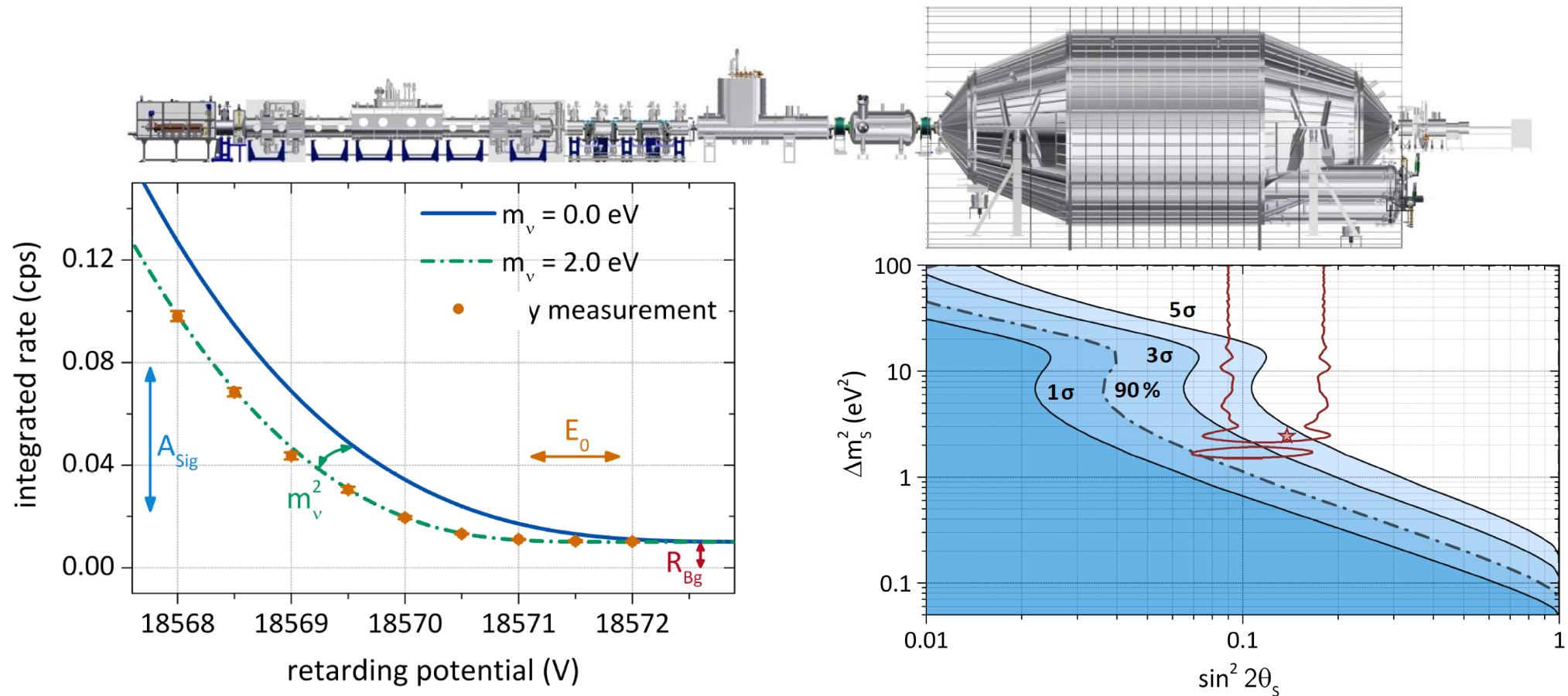
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# KATRIN experiment – science case

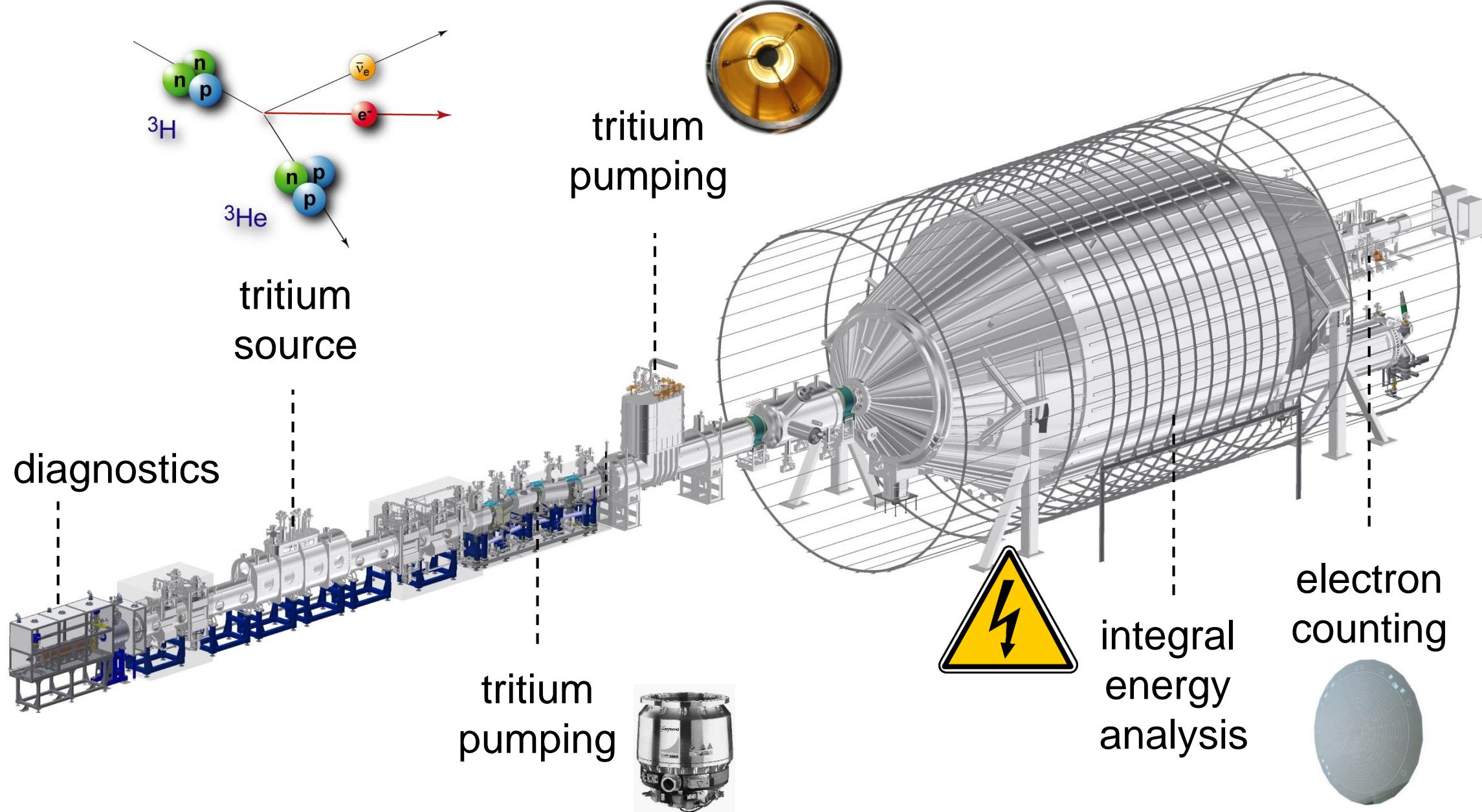


## ■ physics programme

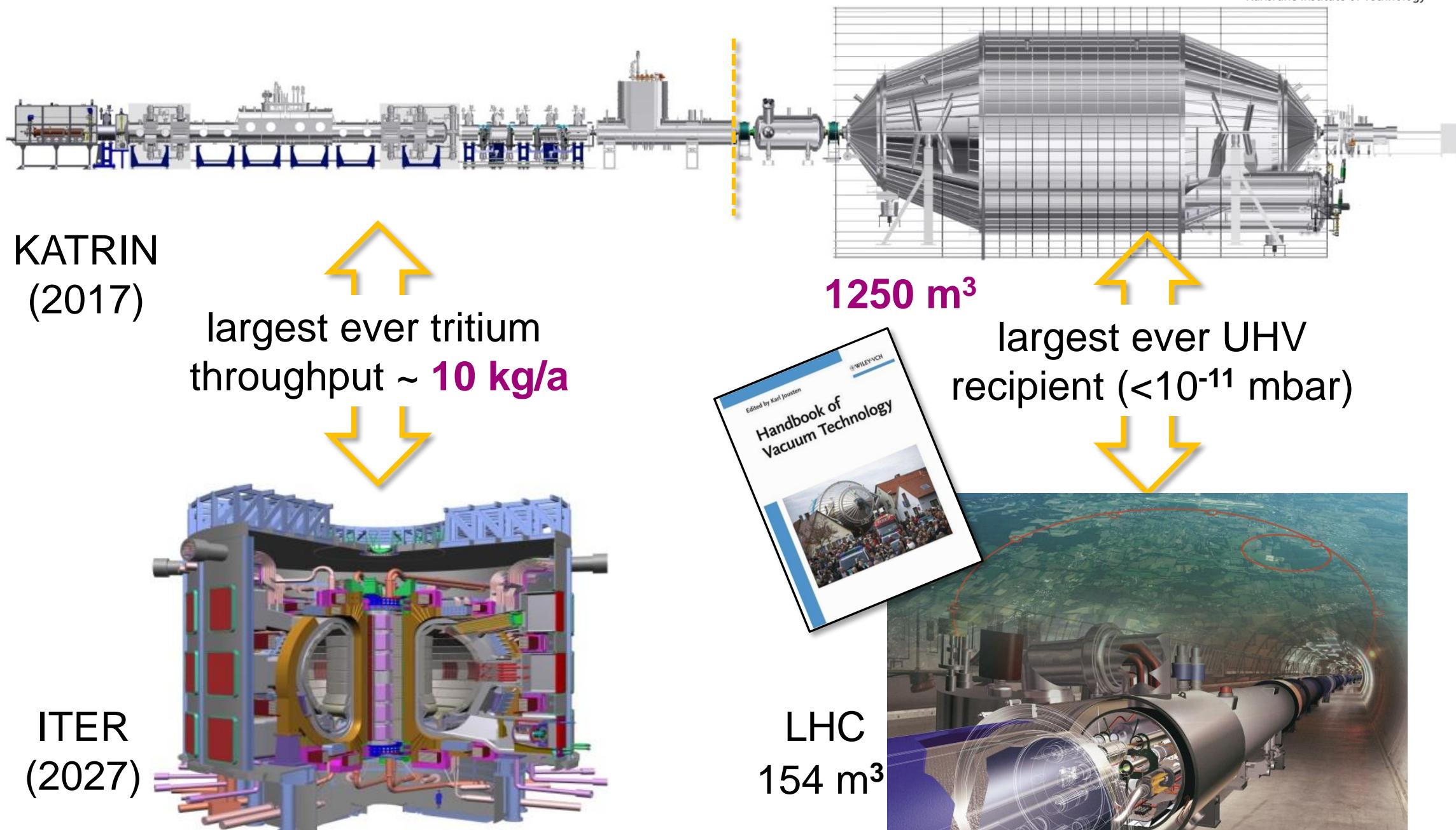
- measure effective electron neutrino mass:  $m(\nu_e) = 200 \text{ meV}$  (90% CL)
- search for sterile neutrinos from sub-eV ... keV mass scale
- constrain local relic- $\nu$  density, search for RH currents/Lorentz violation



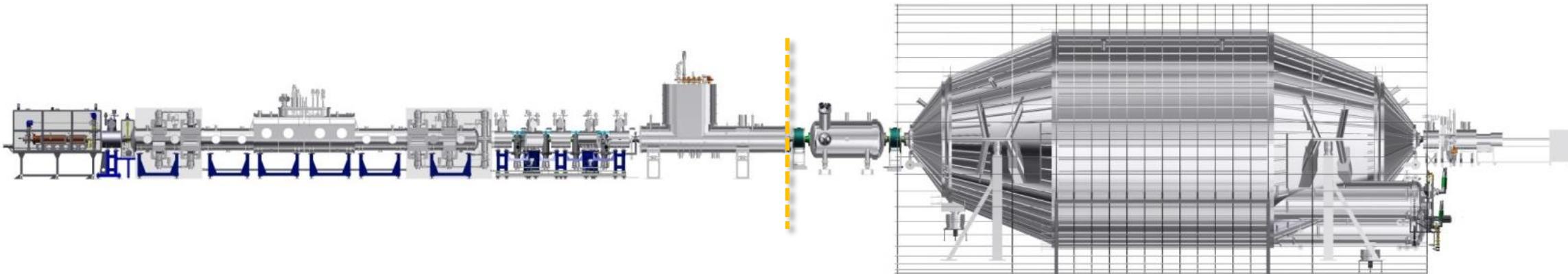
# KATRIN overview: 70 m beamline



# KATRIN experiment – challenges

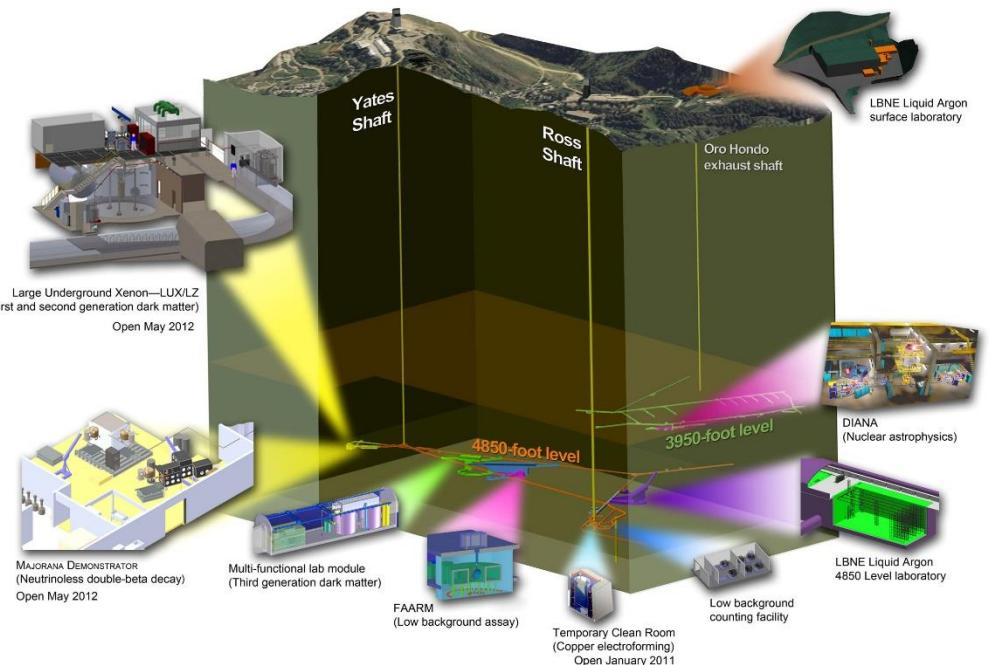
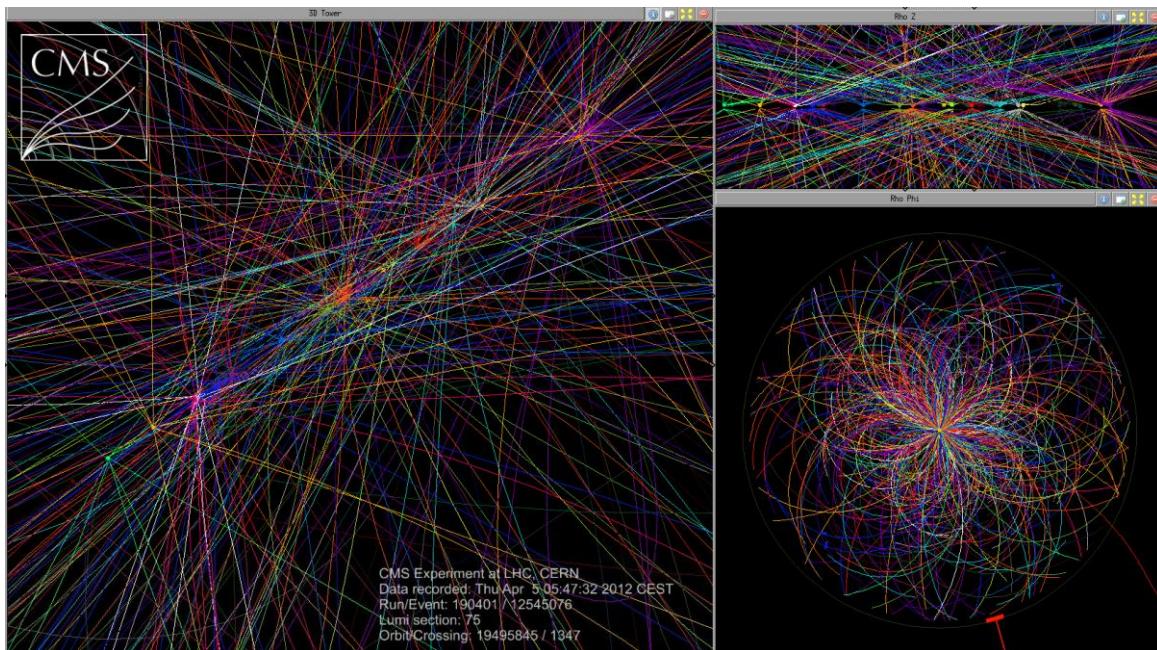


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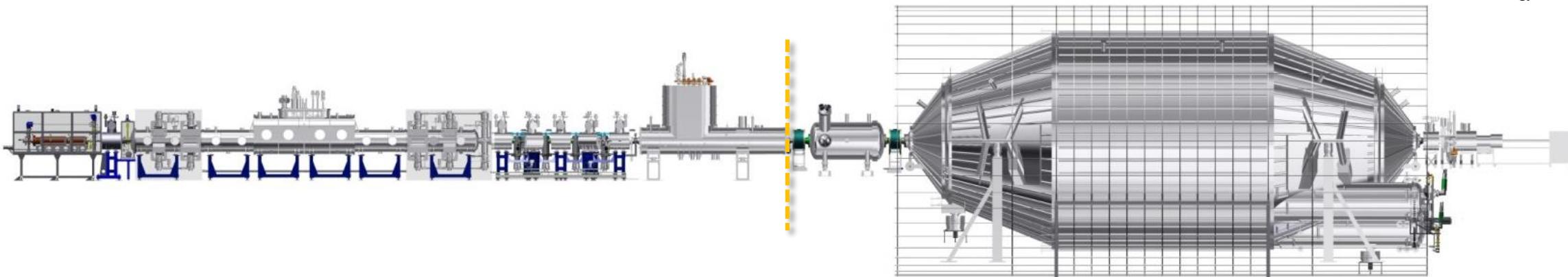


**tritium source:  $10^{11}$   $\beta$ -decays/s**  
( $\equiv$  LHC particle production)

**total background:  $10^{-2}$  cps**  
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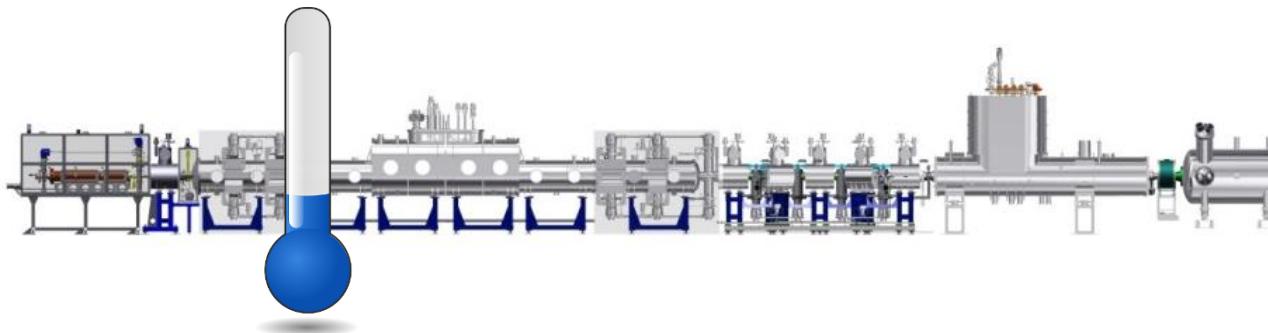
## experimental challenges

- ↳  $10^{-3}$  stability of tritium source column density
- ↳  $10^{-3}$  isotope content in source
- ↳  $10^{-5}$  non-adiabaticity in electron transport
- ↳  $10^{-6}$  monitoring of HV-fluctuations
- ↳  $10^{-8}$  remaining ions after source
- ↳  $10^{-14}$  remaining flux of molecular tritium

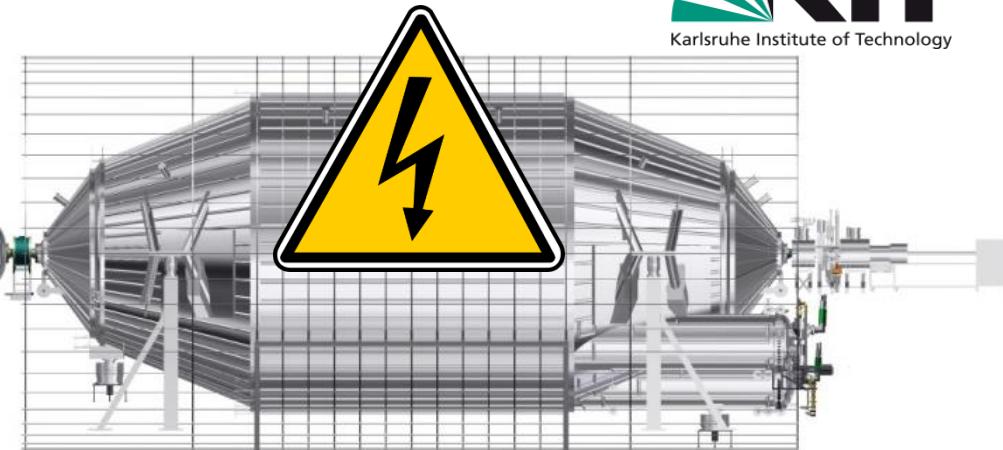
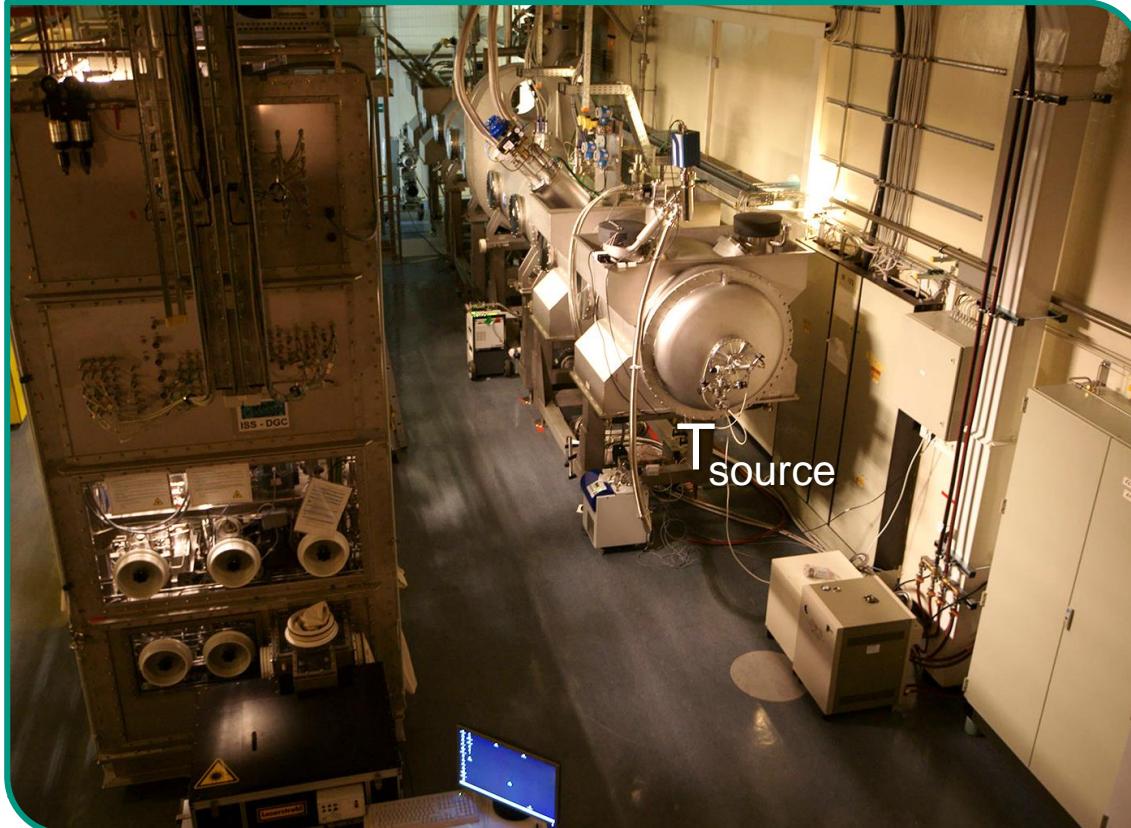
many benchmark parameters  
reached or exceeded



# KATRIN – challenges and solutions



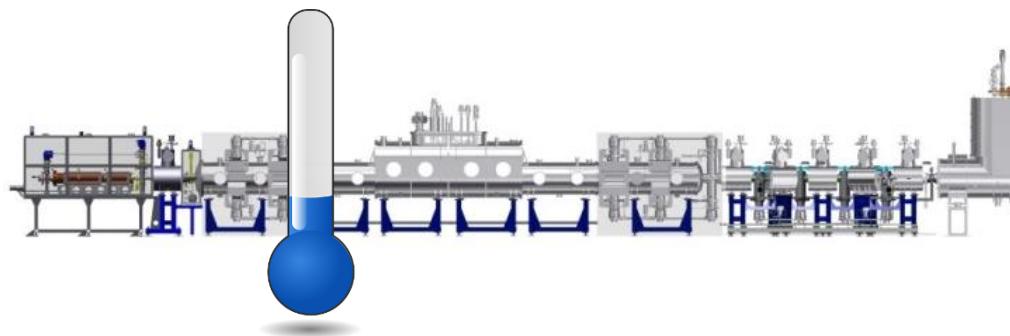
required: source fluctuation:  $\Delta T < 10^{-3}$



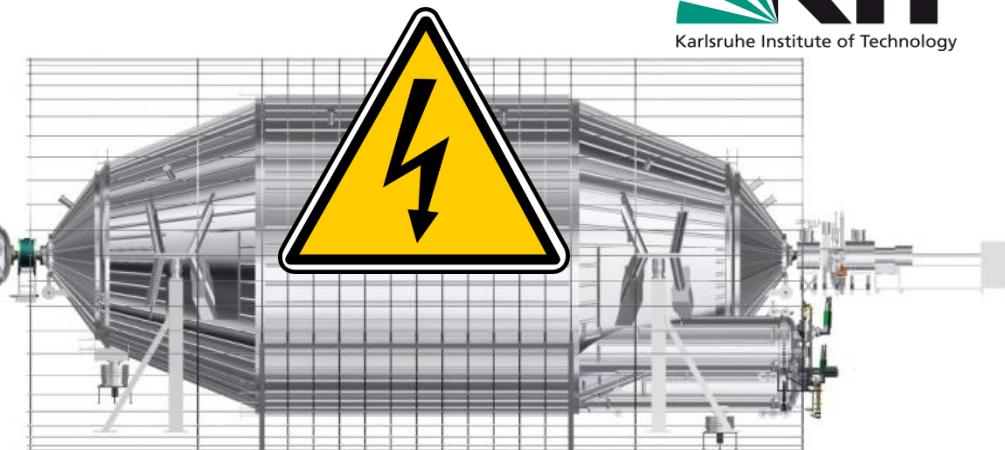
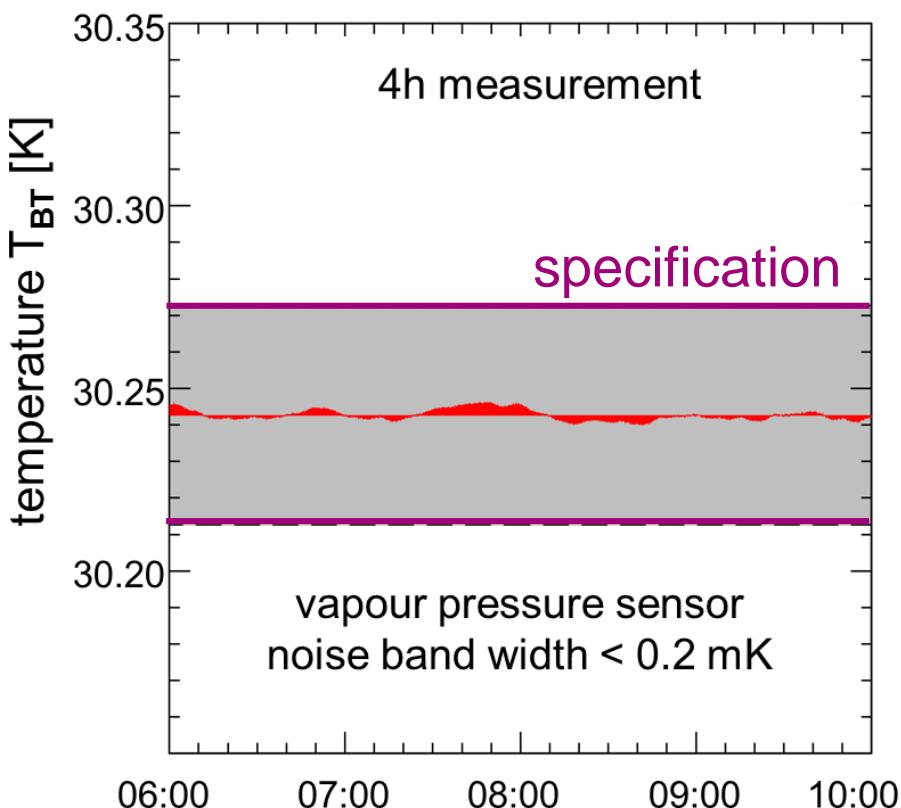
required: HV-fluctuations:  $\Delta U < 60 \text{ mV}$



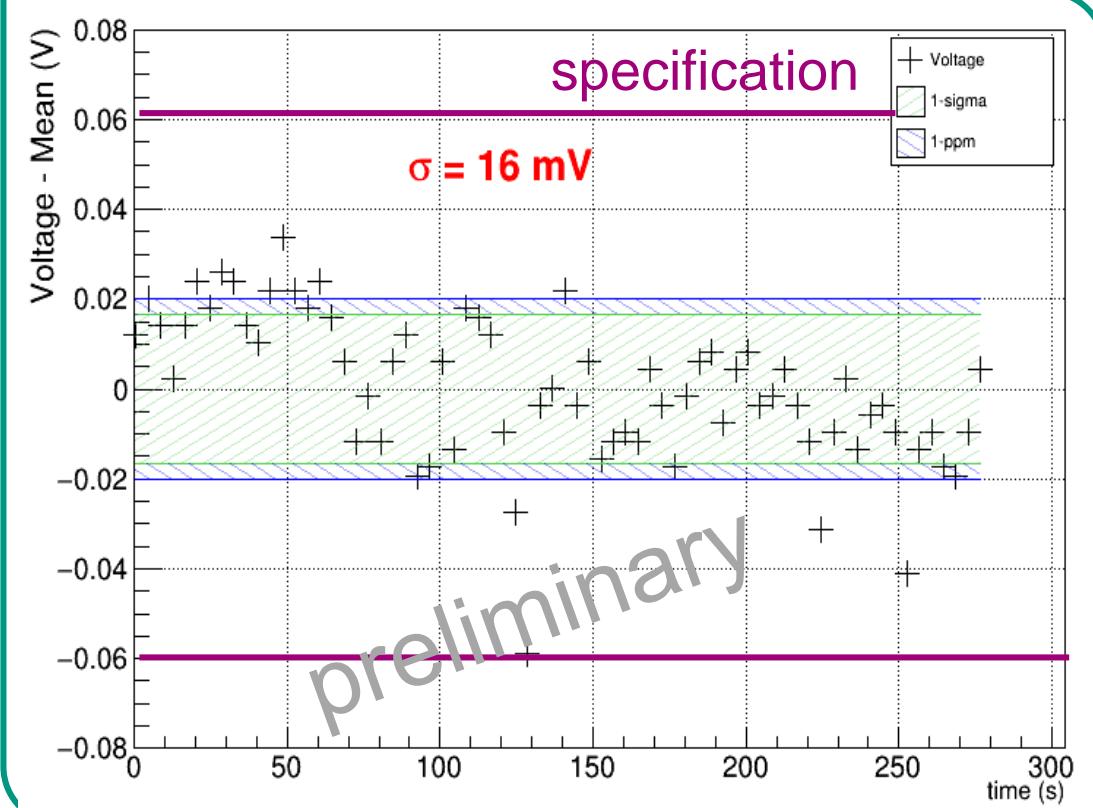
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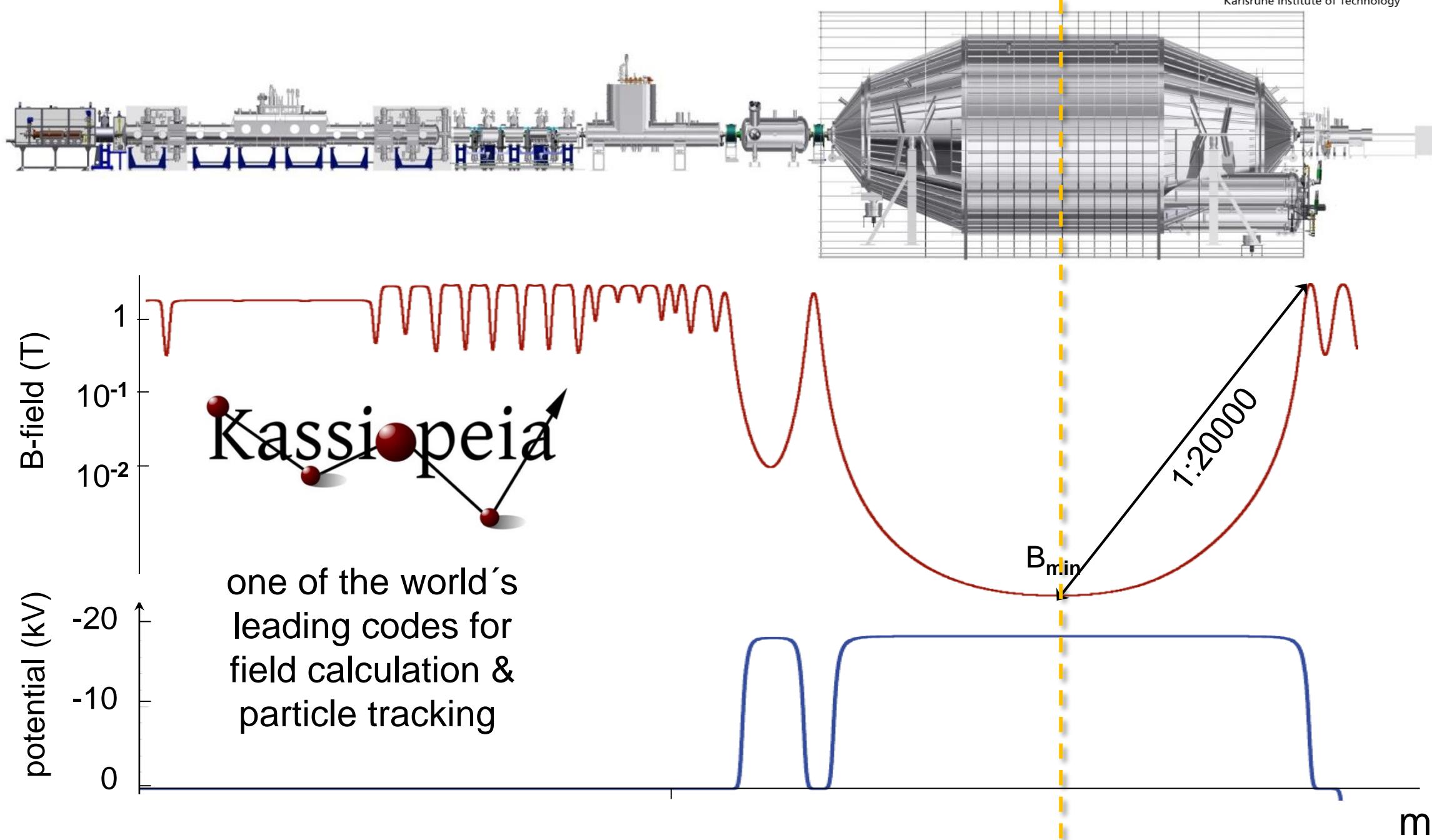
WGTS demonstrator:  $\Delta T \sim 10^{-4}$



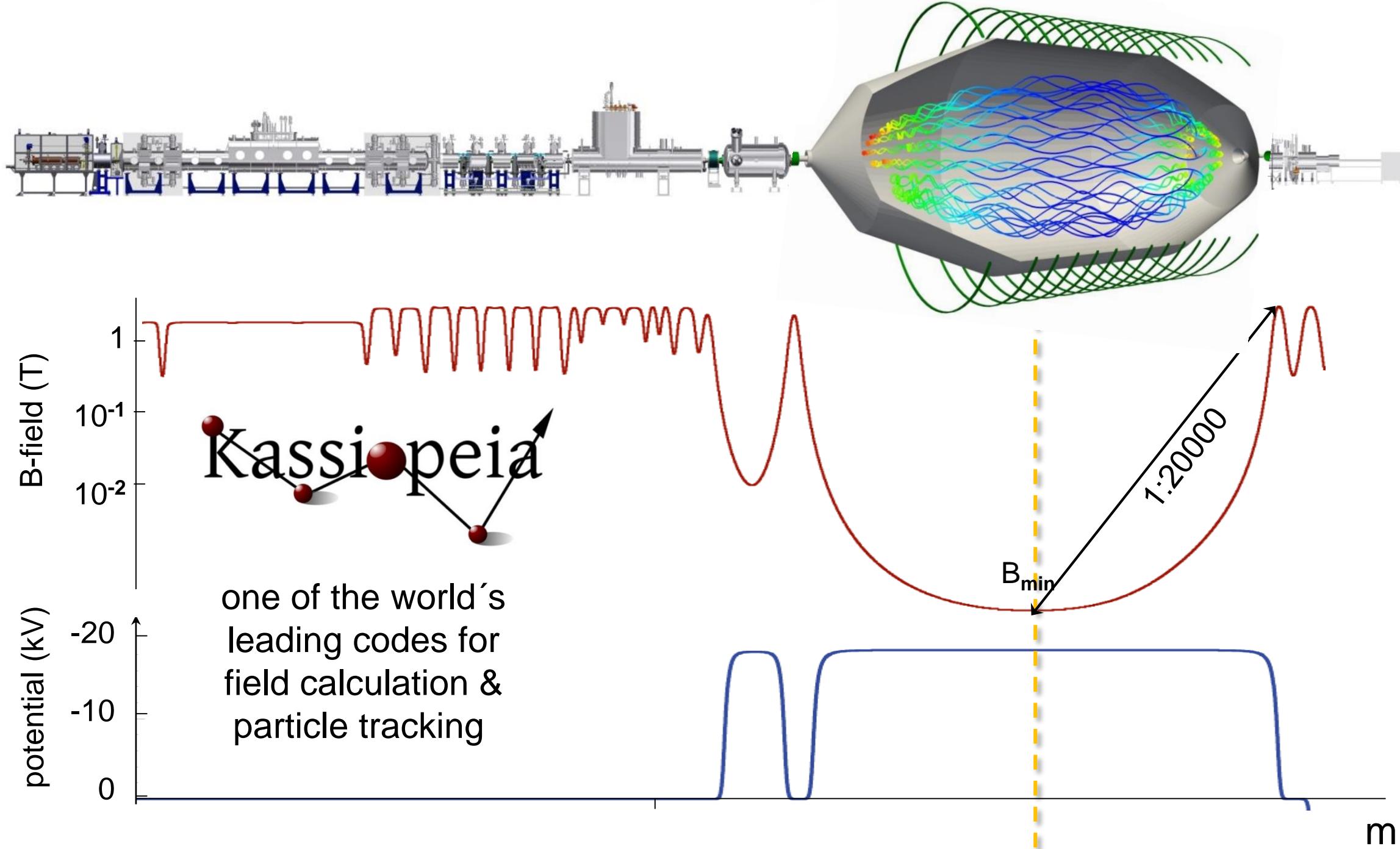
SDS2: HV post-regulation:  $\Delta U \sim 1$  ppm



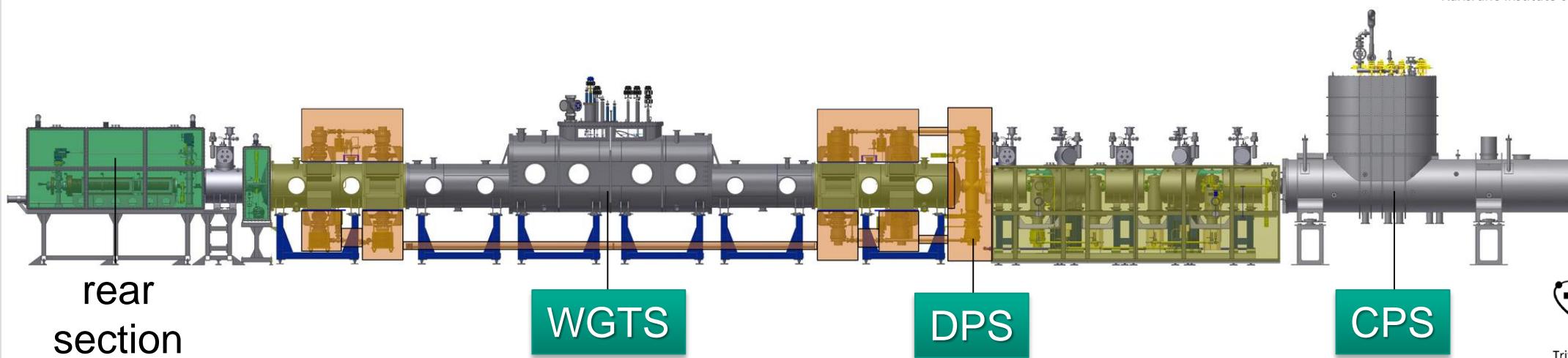
# electron beam line



# KASSIOPEIA code



# Tritium Laboratory Karlsruhe – TLK

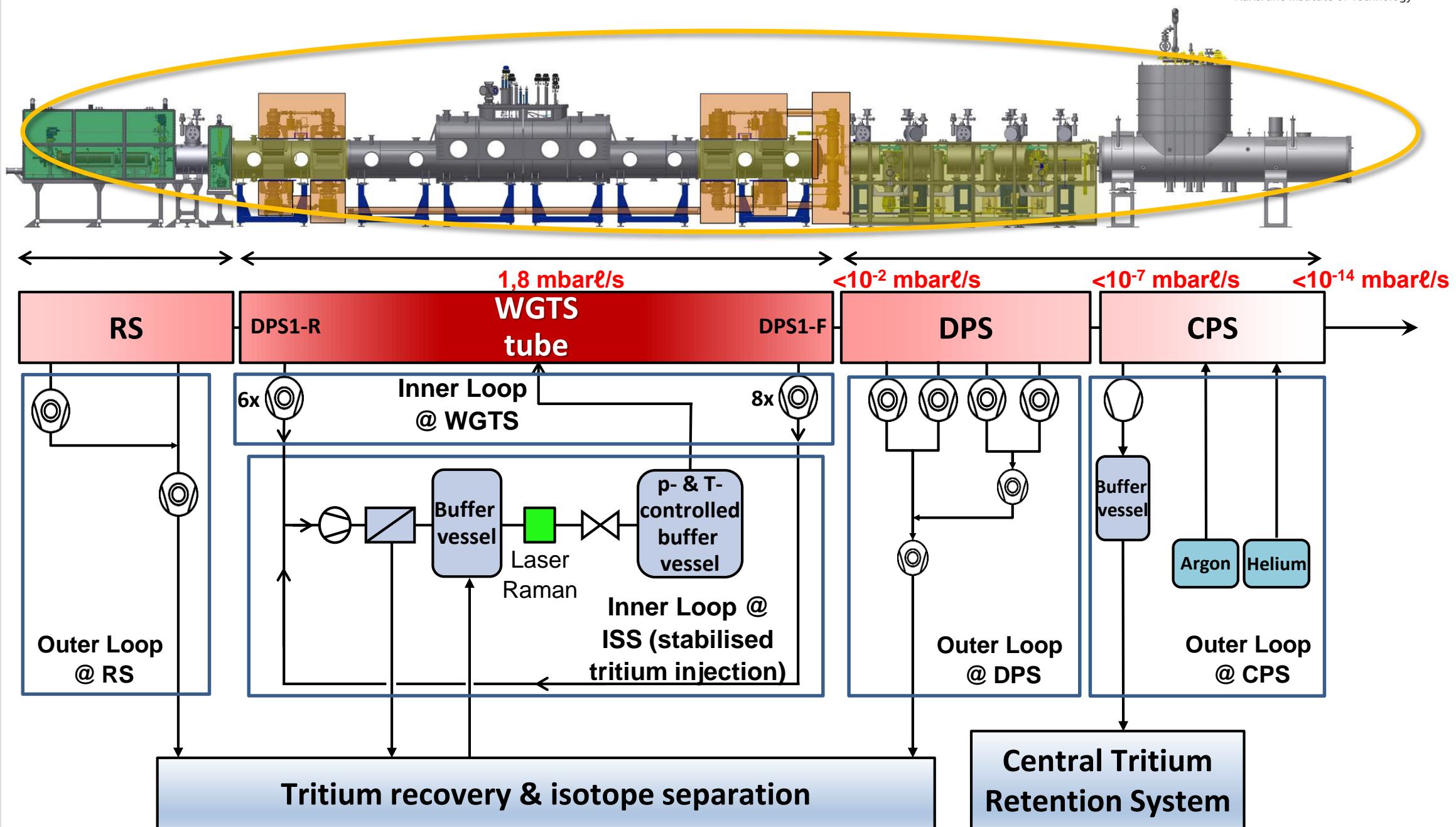


- **TLK:** unique large research facility at KIT for KATRIN and fusion (ITER)  
20 years of experience in tritium handling and processing, 20 g on-site

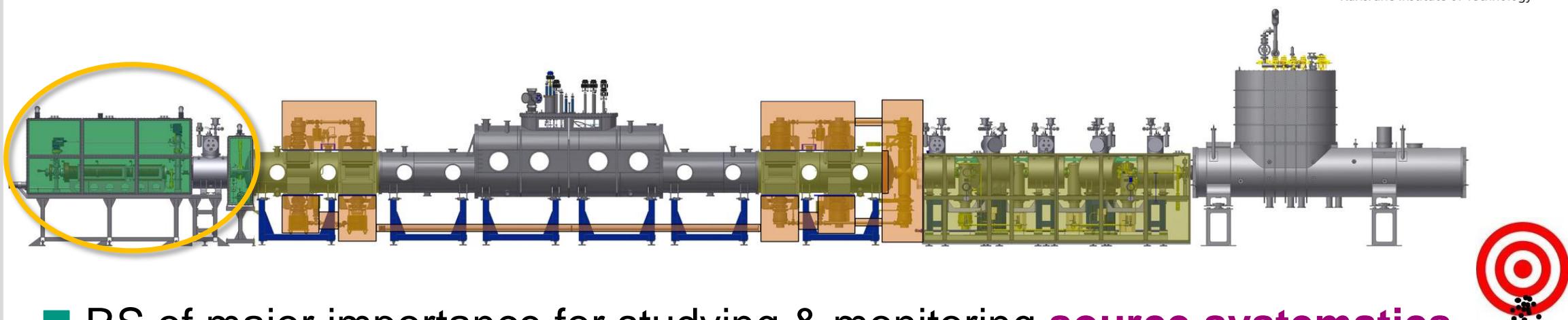


B. Bornschein et al., Fusion Sci. Techn. 60 (2011) 1088

# TLK – closed tritium loop system



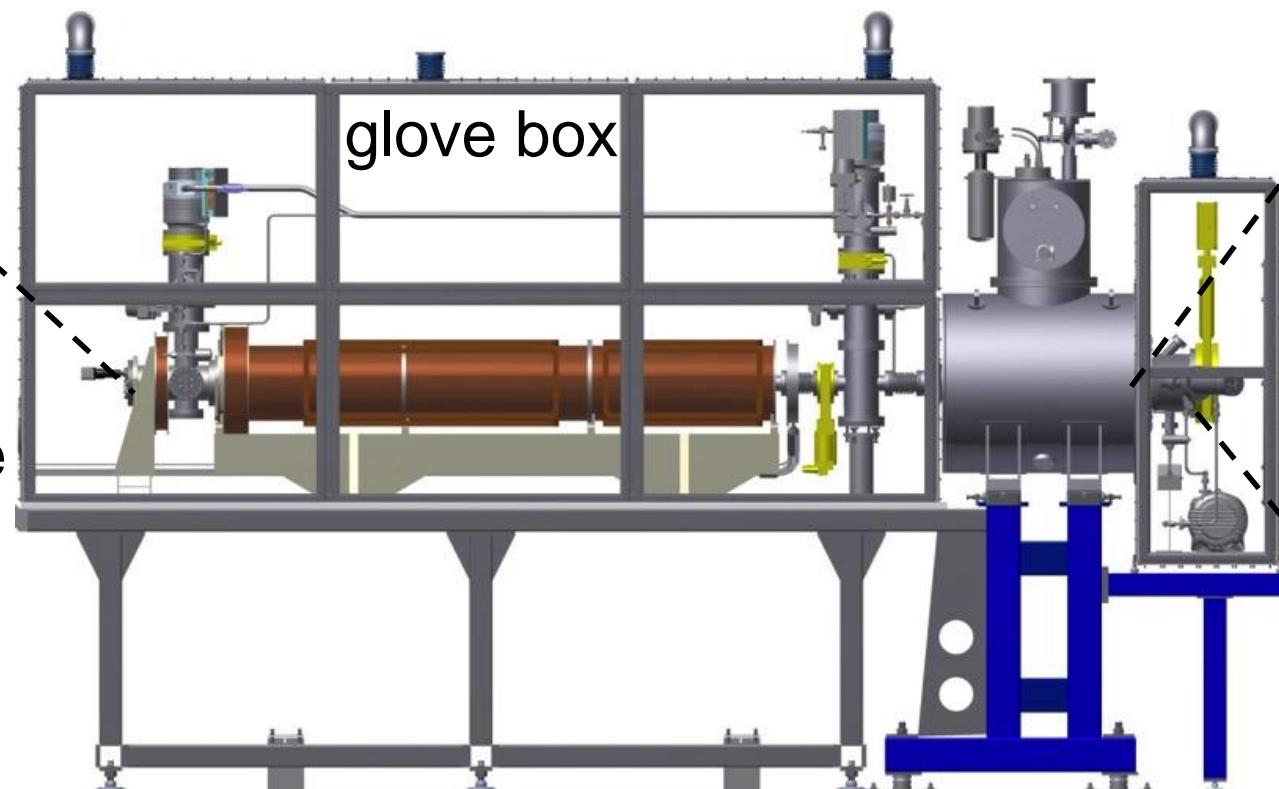
# Rear Section – science goals



- RS of major importance for studying & monitoring **source systematics**

**electron gun:**  
measure  $\sigma_{inel}$  &  
column density  $pd$   

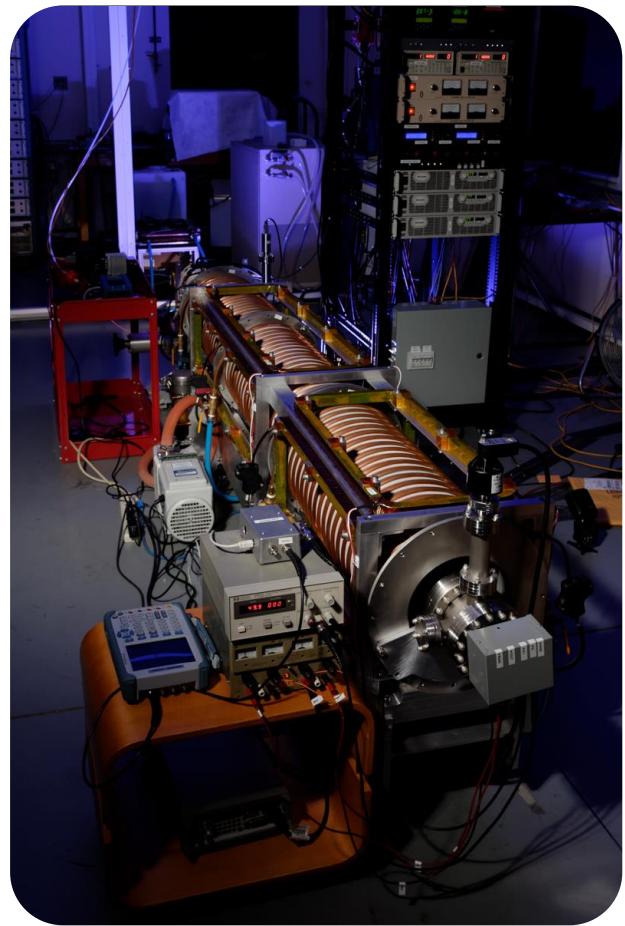
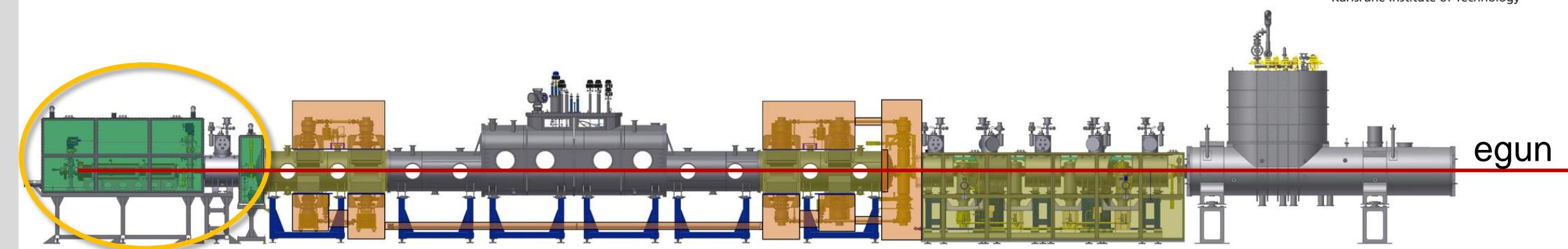
- angular selective
- pulsed mode
- high rate
- high stability



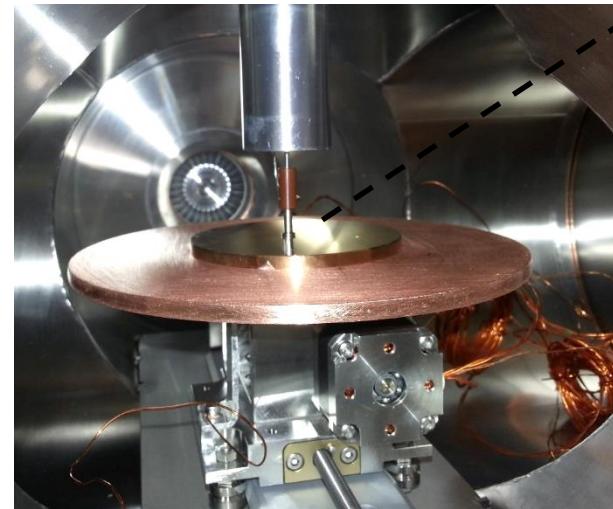
**rear wall:**  
define source  
potential

**BIXS:**  
monitor source  
 $\beta$ -activity

# Rear Section – egun & rear wall

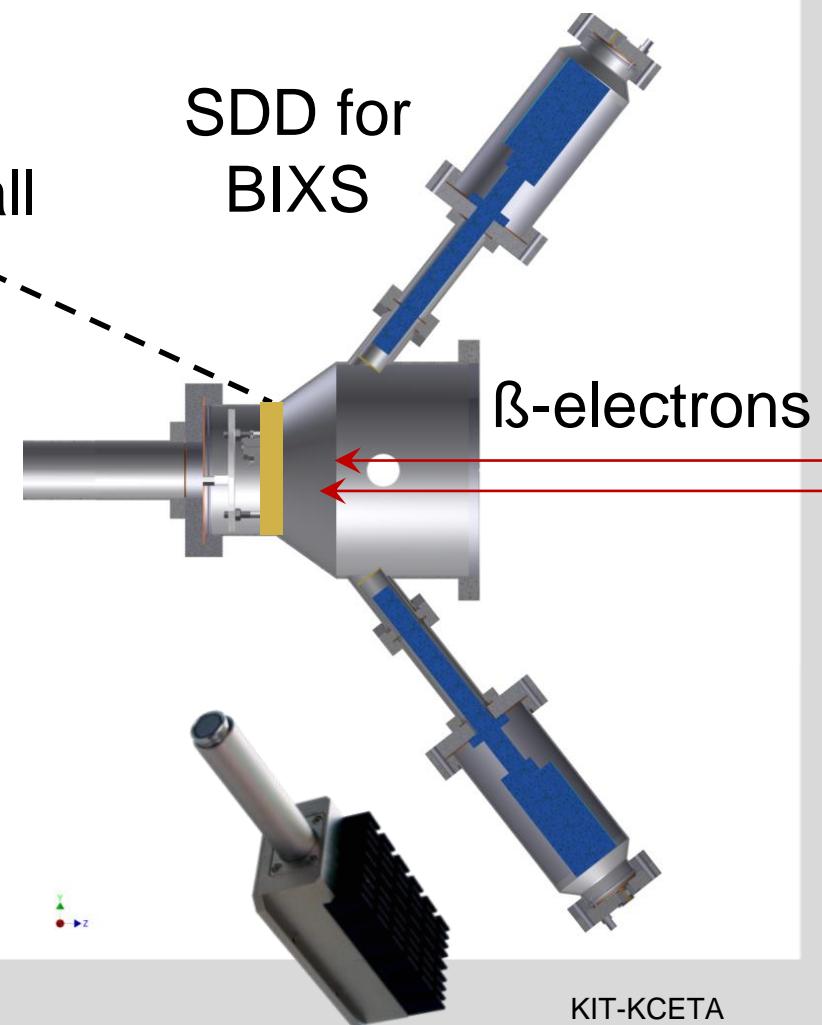


egun



Kelvin probe for work  
function measurements

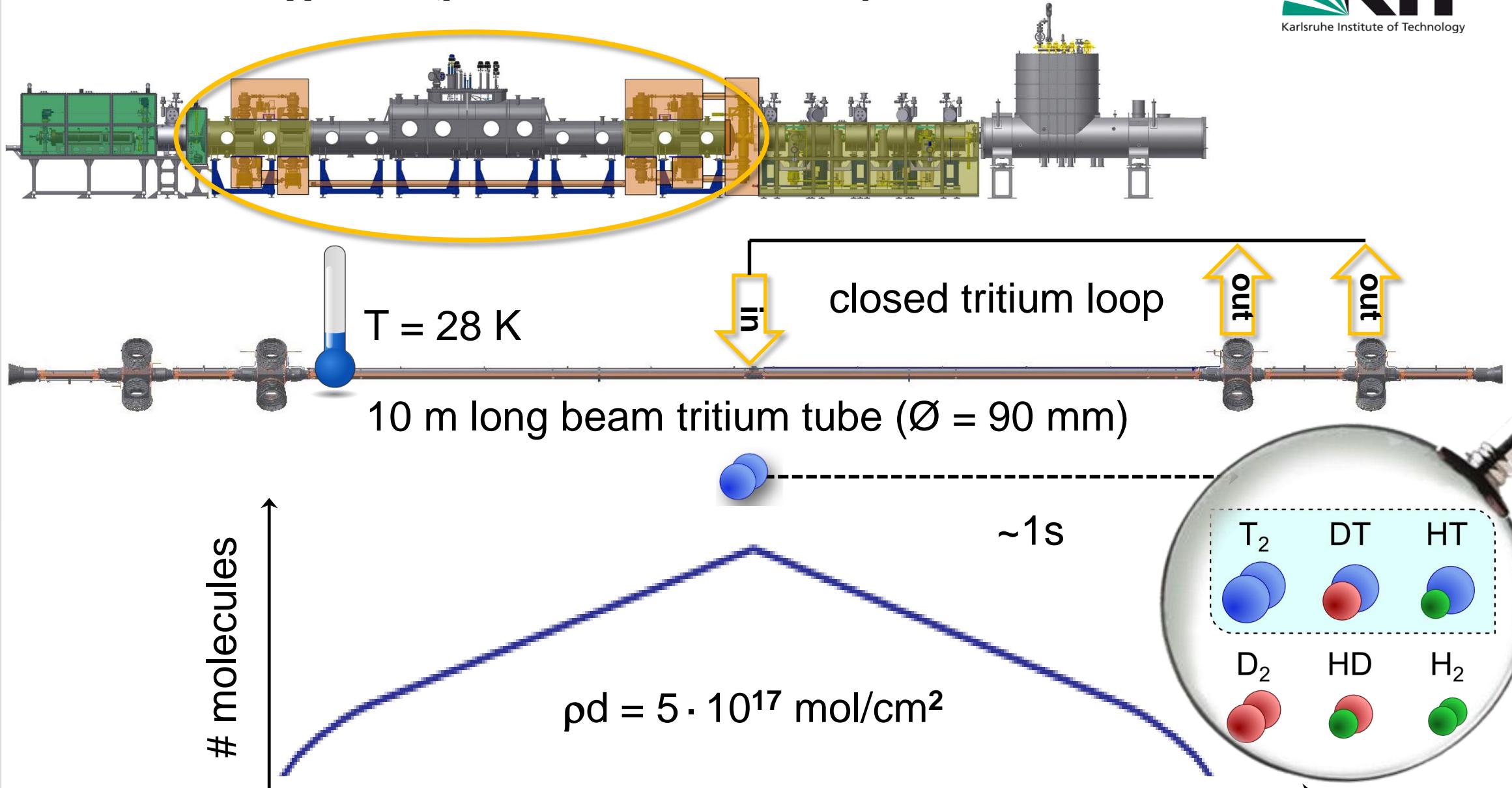
rear wall



SDD for  
BIXS

$\beta$ -electrons

# WGTS – gas dynamics & composition

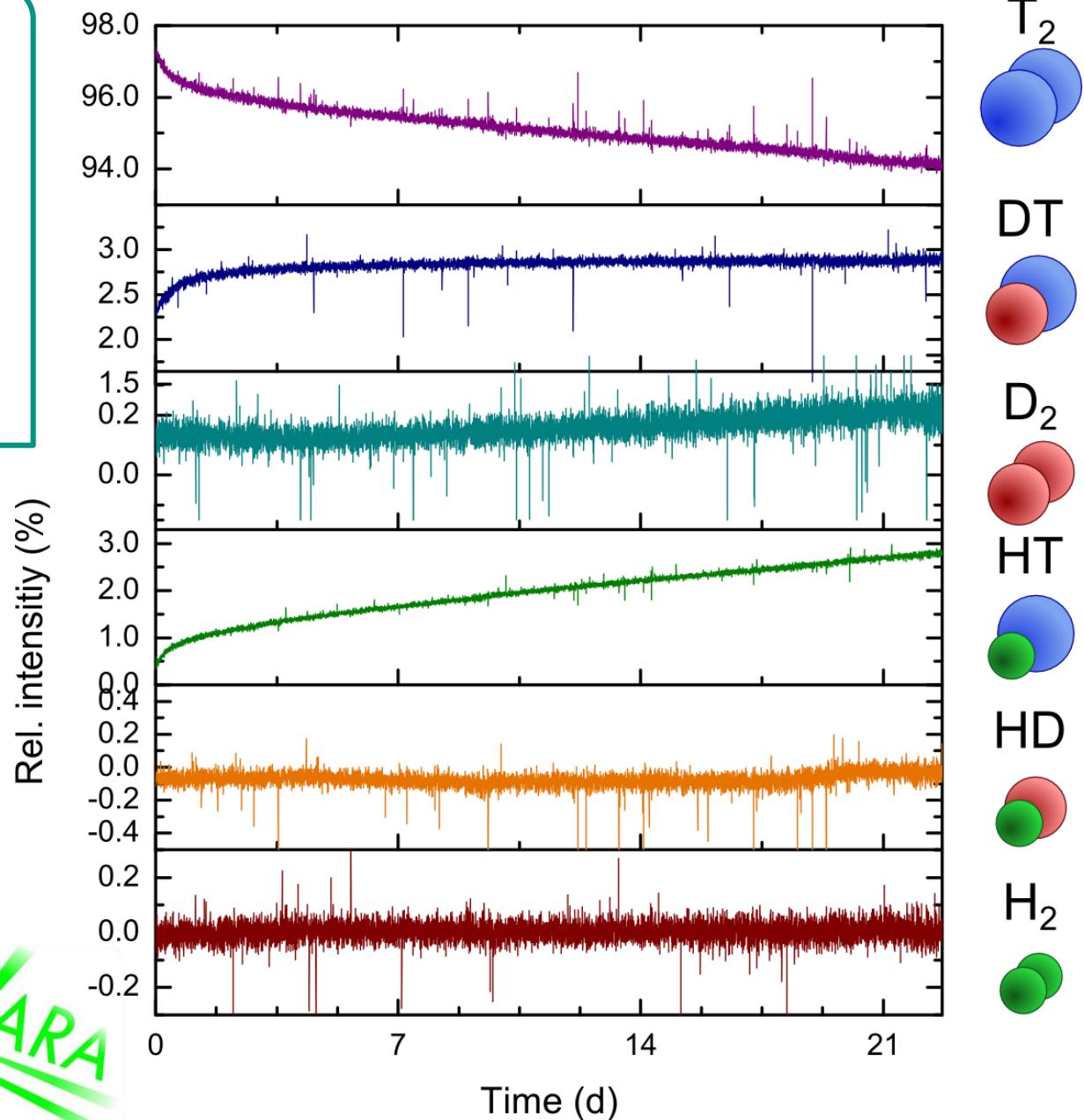
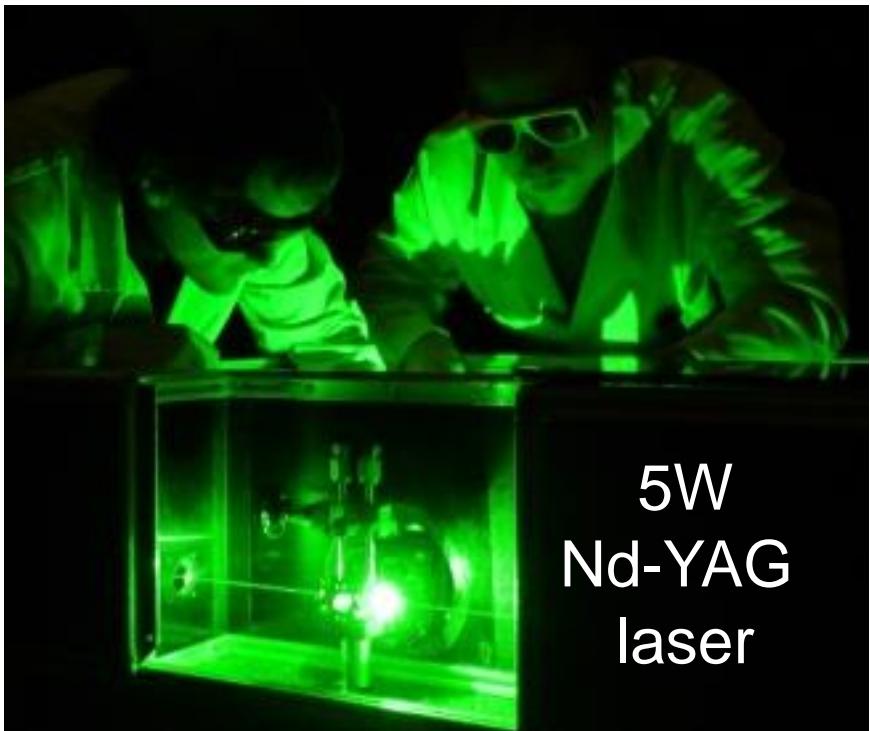


Windowless Gaseous Tritium Source

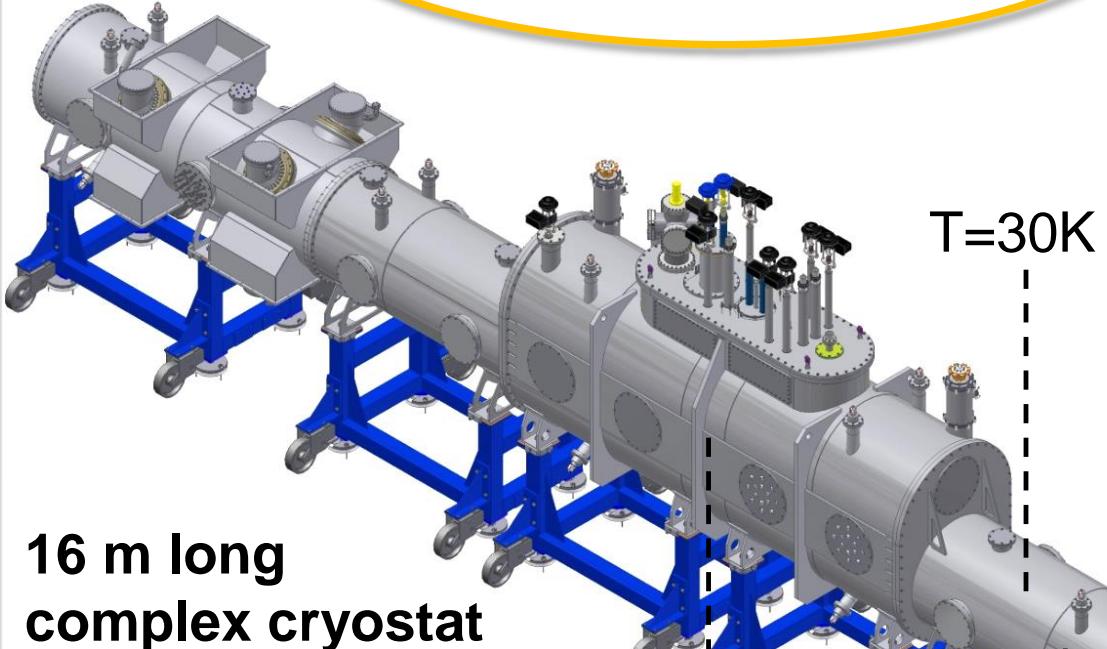
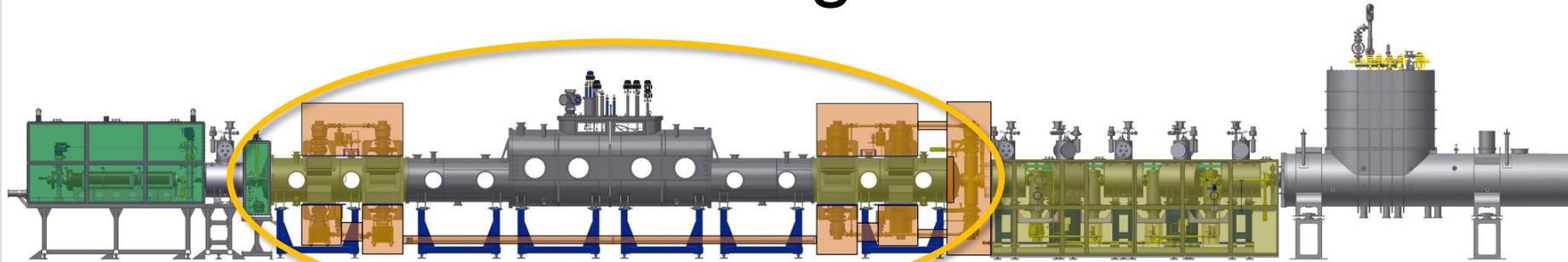
# LARA – Laser Raman Spectroscopy

## ■ LARA achievements

- sampling time reduced to  $\Delta t < 60$  s for 0.1% precision
- trueness: required < 10% achieved: < 3%
- systematic investigations



# WGTS – windowless gaseous source



16 m long  
complex cryostat



T2 injection

B = 3.6 T

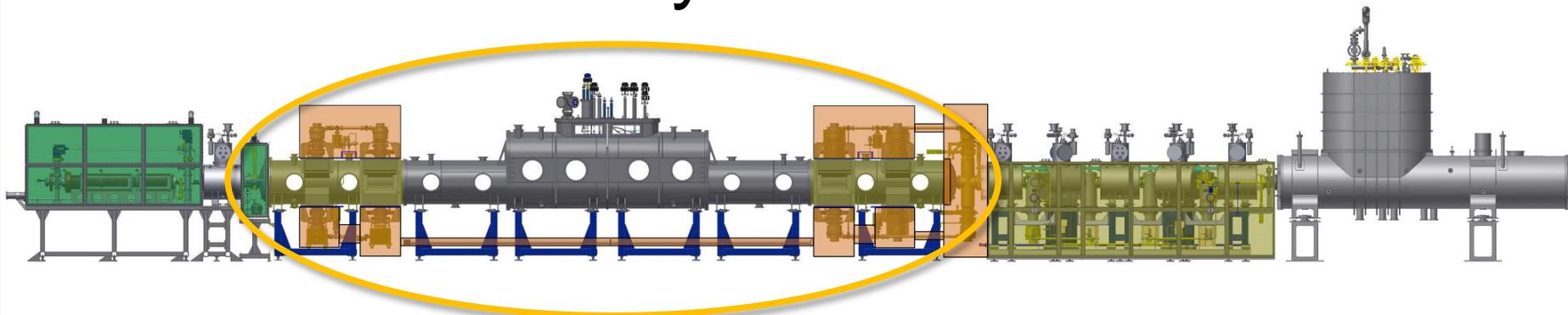


- **WGTS:** molecular source ( $> 90\% \text{ T}_2$ )  
**highest luminosity & stability**
  - 40% no-loss electrons
  - stability at level  $10^{-3}$
  - extensive control of systematics

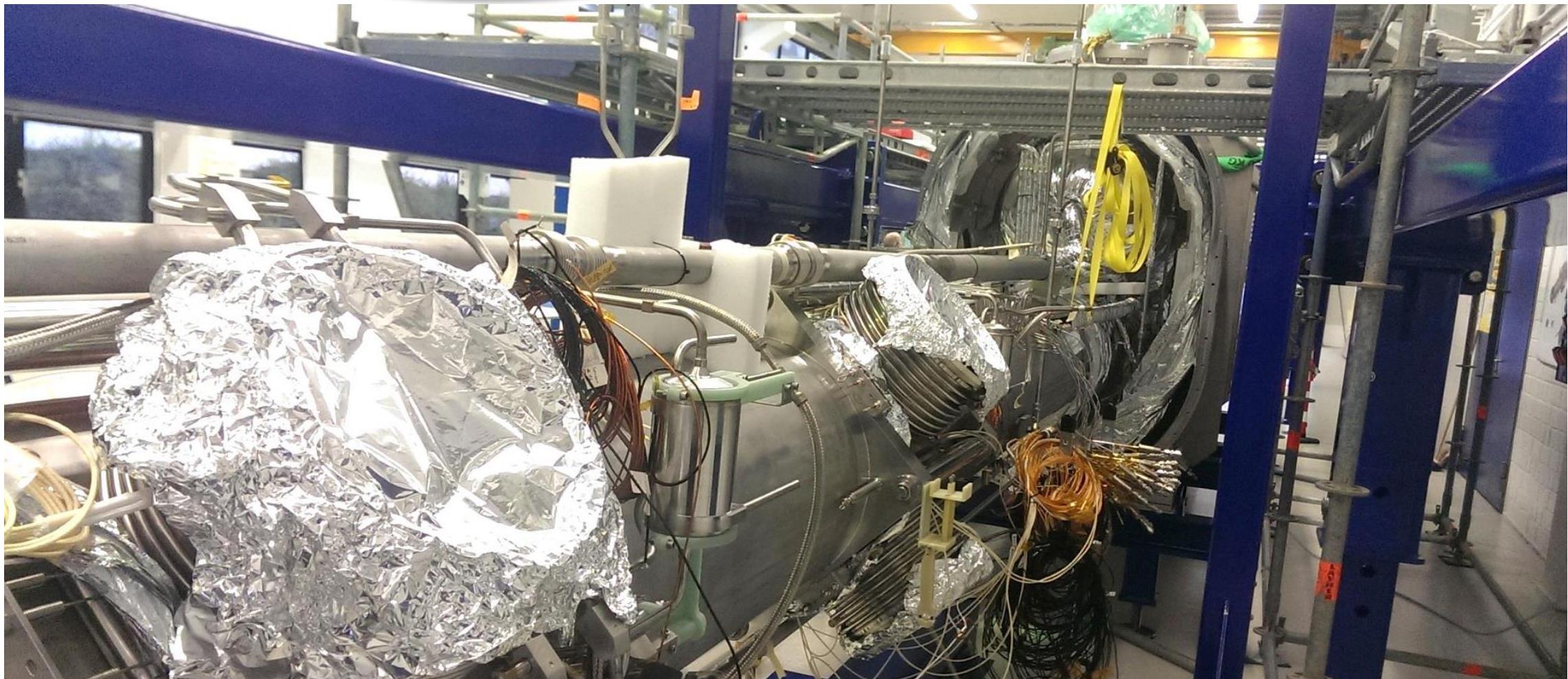
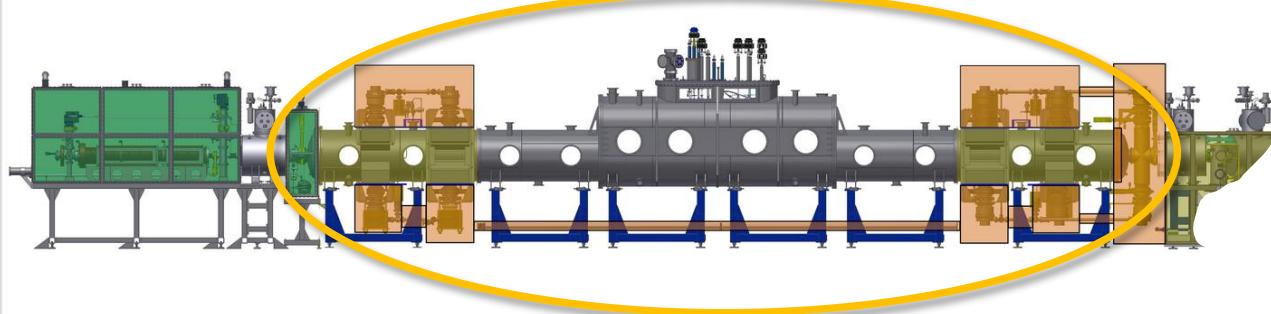
need very good  
temperature stability  
and homogeneity  
 $\Delta T < 30 \text{ mK}$  (at 30 K)

$5 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ electrons/s}$

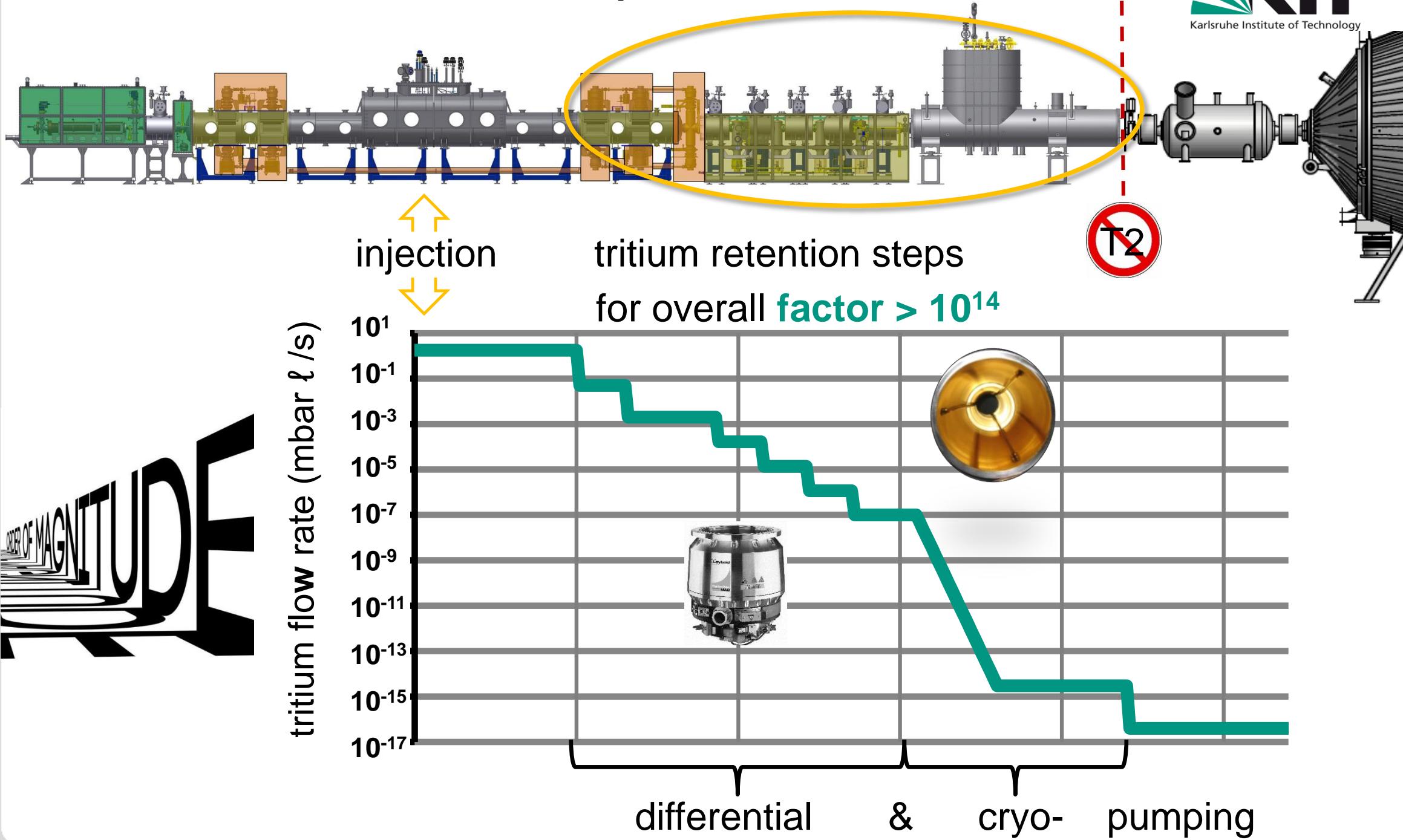
# WGTS – assembly



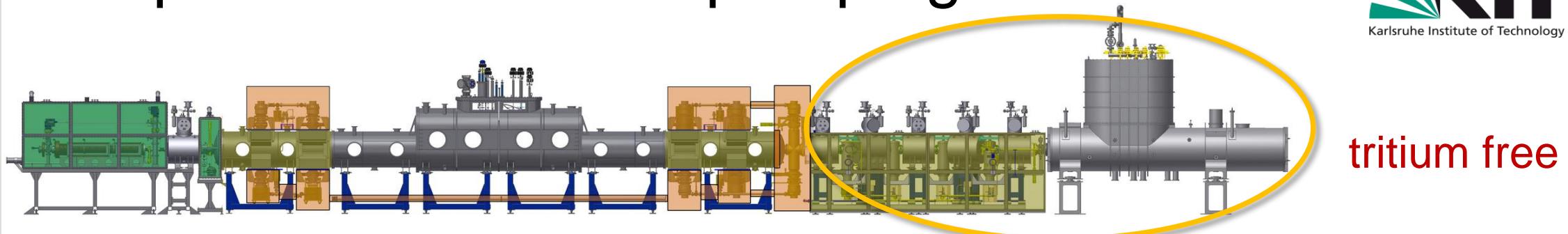
# WGTS – assembly & delivery to TLK



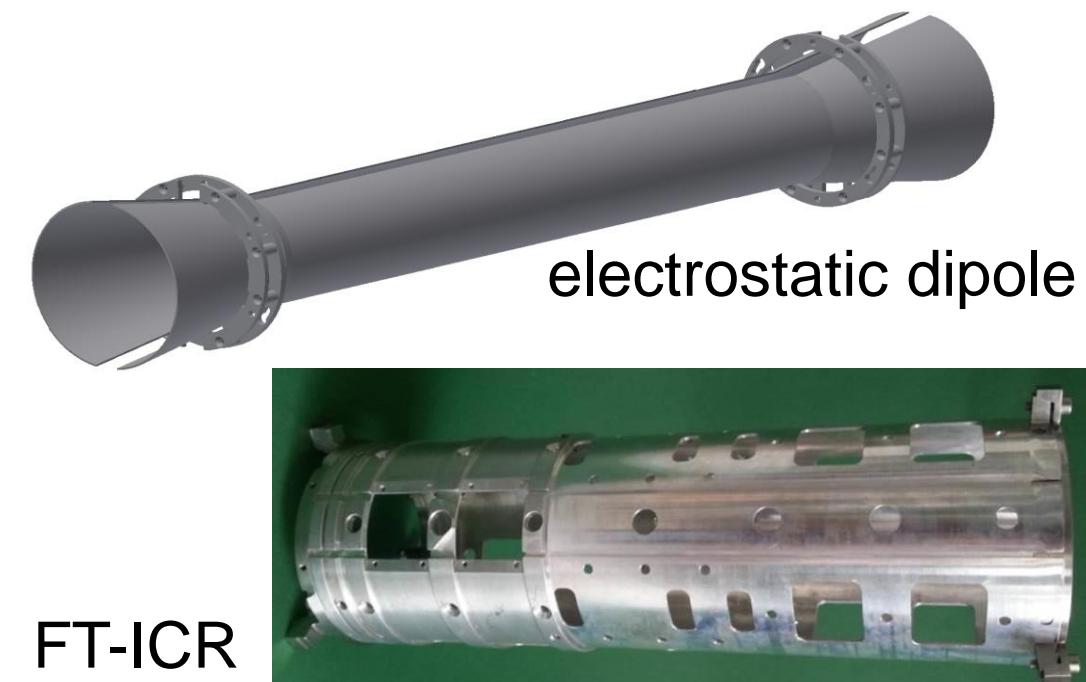
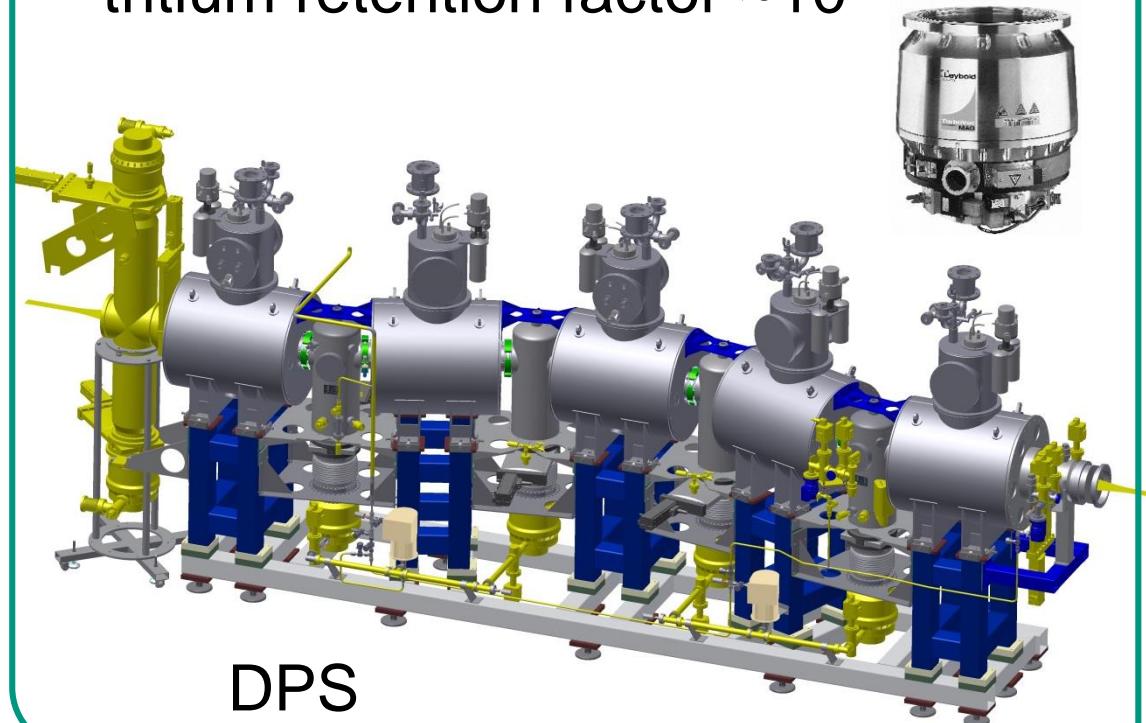
# tritium retention techniques



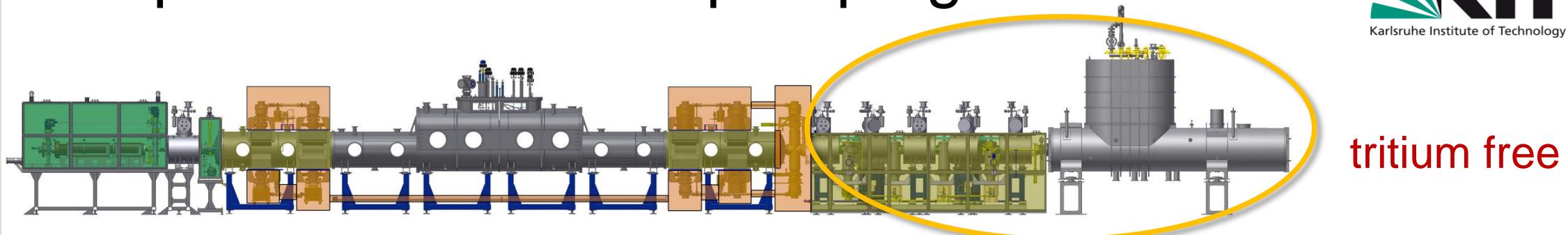
# components for tritium pumping



- **Differential Pumping Section DPS:** active (serial) pumping by TMPs
- **DPS pump ports**  
tritium retention factor  $\sim 10^5$
- **DPS beam tube instrumentation**  
measurement & removal of ions



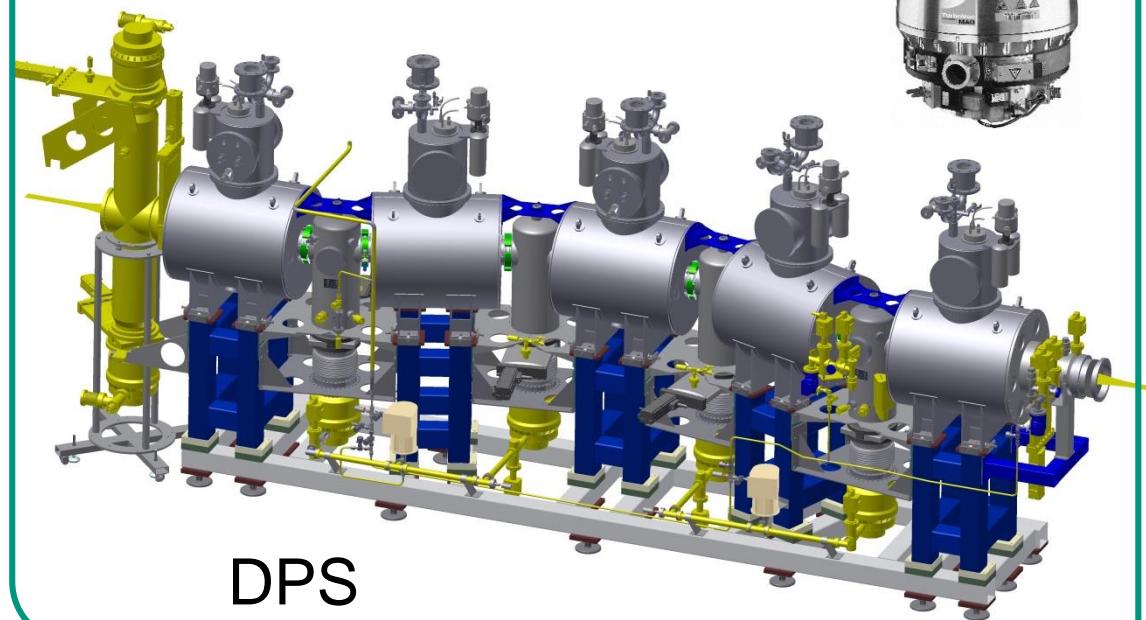
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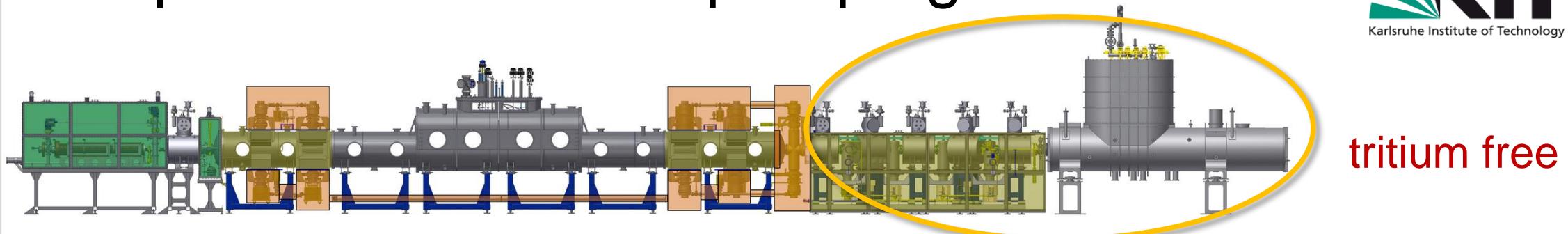
■ **Differential Pumping Section DPS:** SAT of s.c. magnets successful

■ **DPS pump ports**

tritium retention factor  $\sim 10^5$



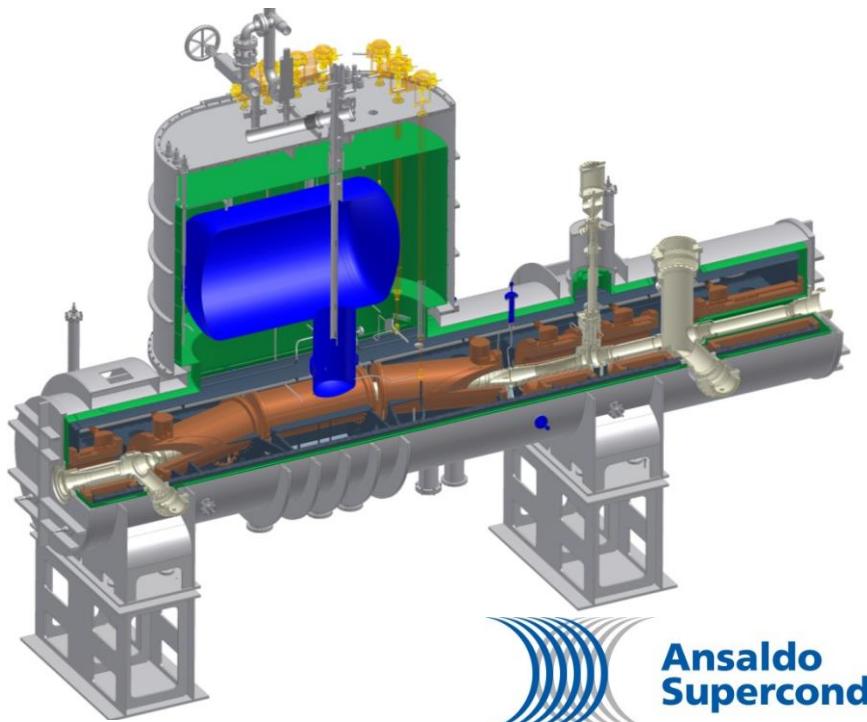
# components for tritium pumping



■ **Cryogenic Pumping Section CPS:** cryosorption on Ar-frost

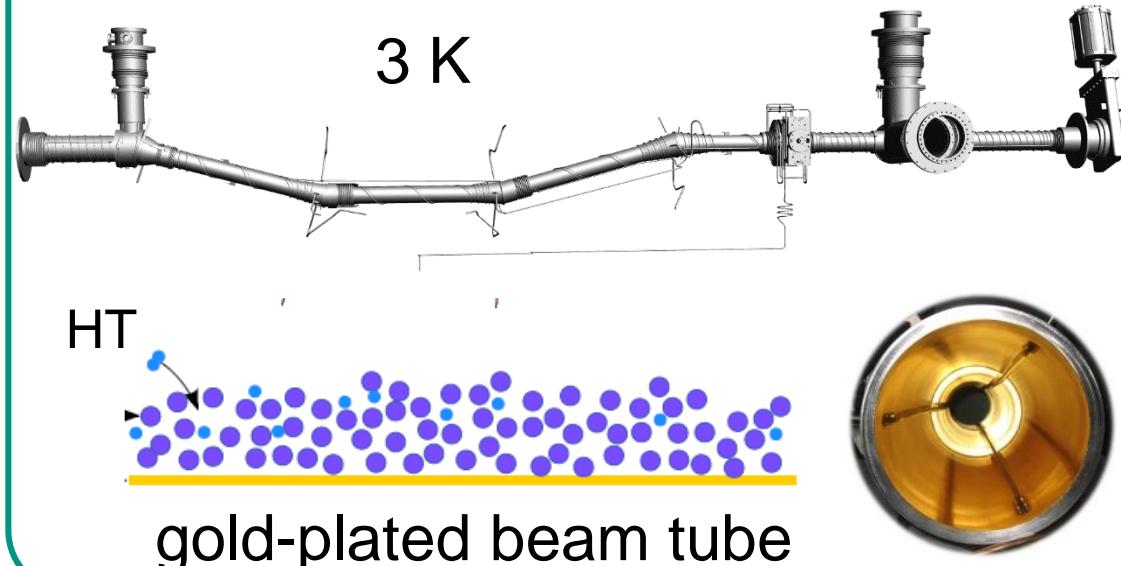
■ **CPS beam tube system**

tritium retention factor  $< 10^7$

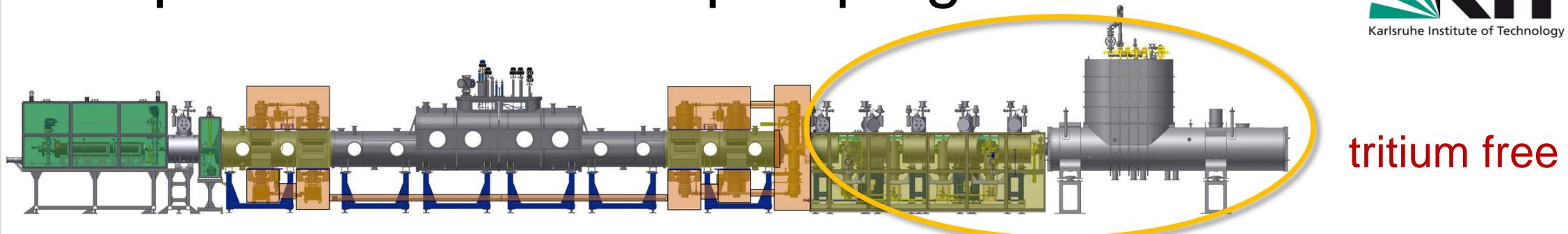


■ **CPS beam tube system**

argon frost pump: up to 1 Ci T2



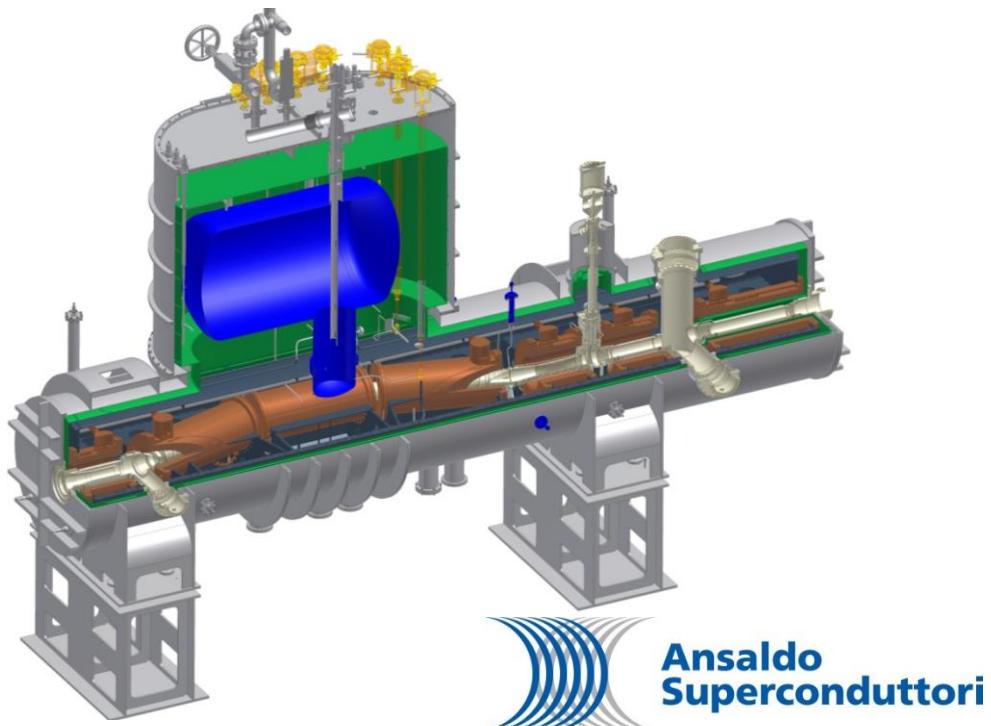
# components for tritium pumping



■ **Cryogenic Pumping Section CPS:** FAT successful, arrival at TLK: July 30

■ **CPS beam tube system**

tritium retention factor  $< 10^7$



# electrostatic spectrometers & detector

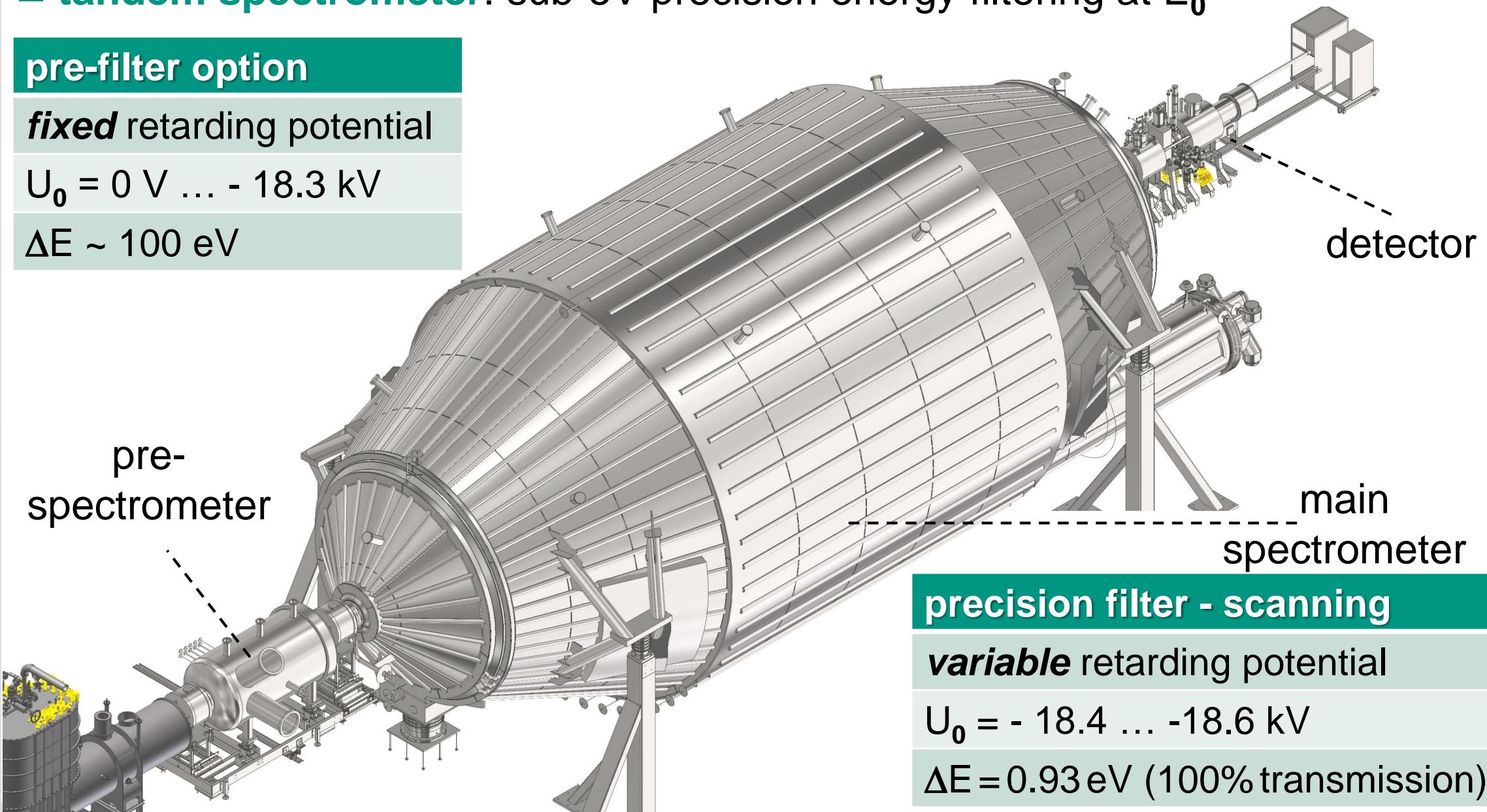
■ **tandem spectrometer**: sub-eV precision energy filtering at  $E_0$

**pre-filter option**

**fixed** retarding potential

$U_0 = 0 \text{ V} \dots - 18.3 \text{ kV}$

$\Delta E \sim 100 \text{ eV}$



**precision filter - scanning**

**variable** retarding potential

$U_0 = -18.4 \dots -18.6 \text{ kV}$

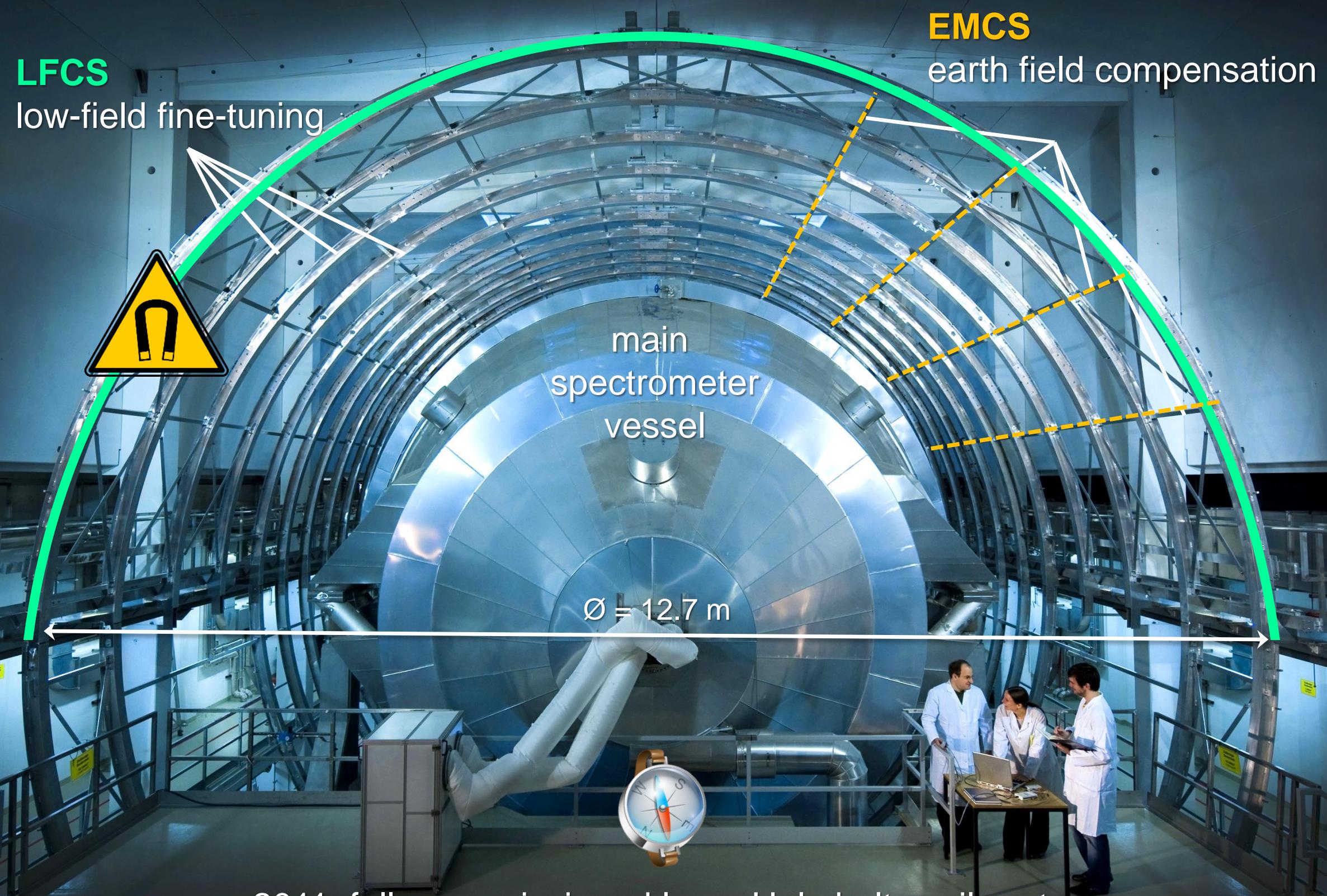
$\Delta E = 0.93 \text{ eV}$  (100% transmission)

**LFCS**

low-field fine-tuning

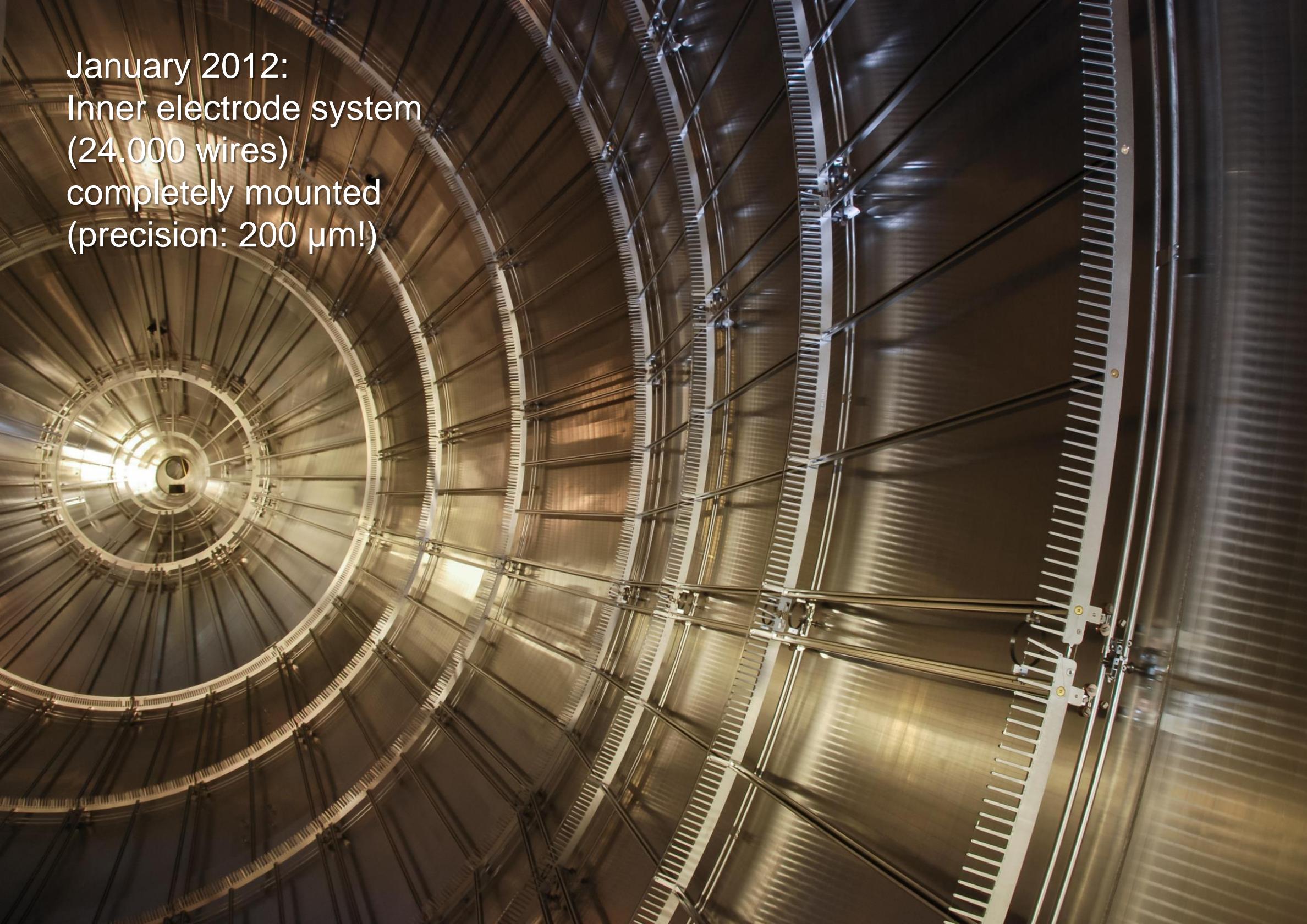
**EMCS**

earth field compensation



2011: fully commissioned large Helmholtz coil system

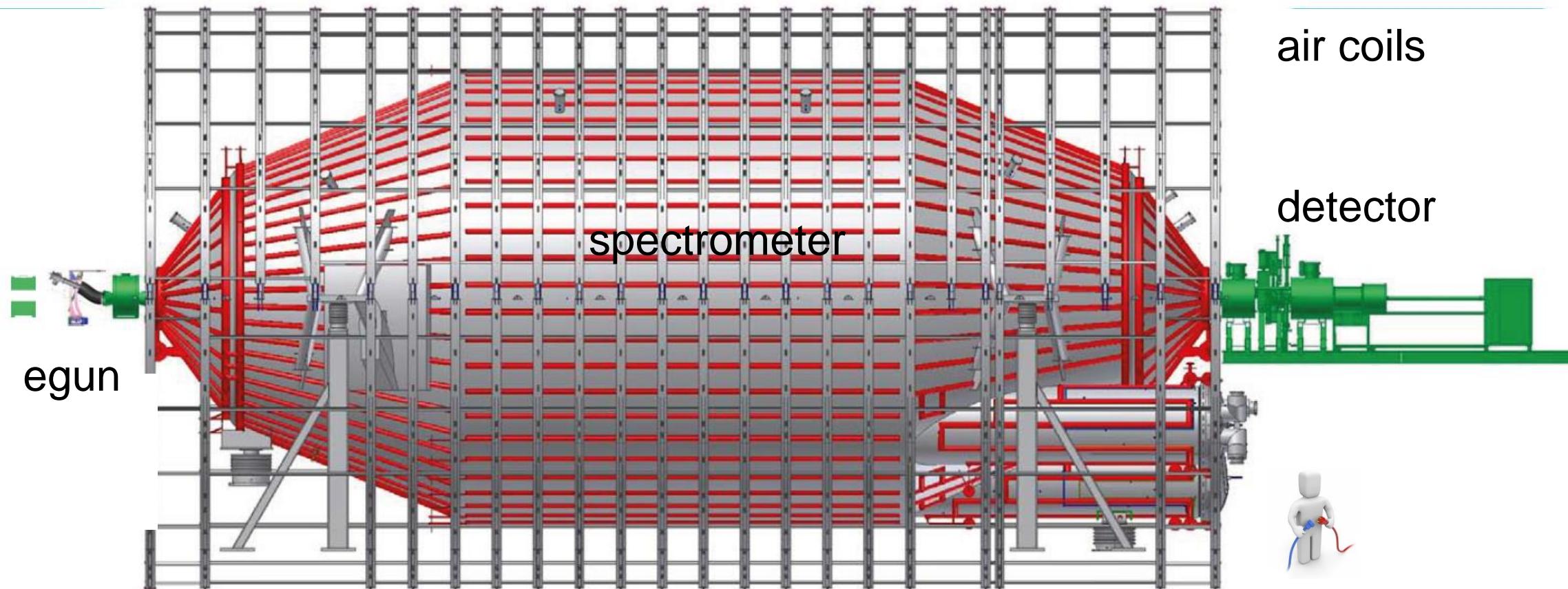
January 2012:  
Inner electrode system  
(24.000 wires)  
completely mounted  
(precision: 200  $\mu\text{m}$ !)



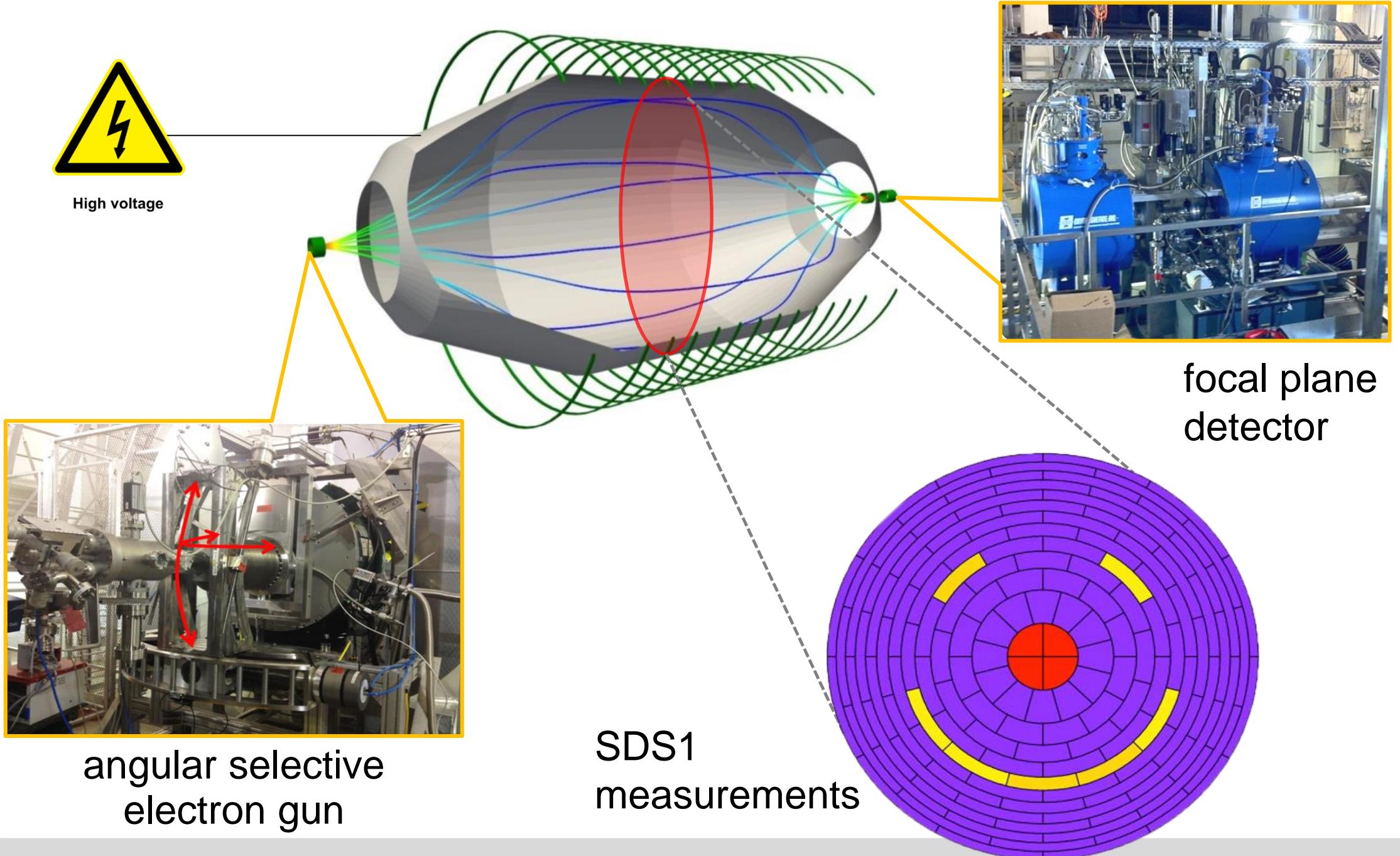
# spectrometer commissioning



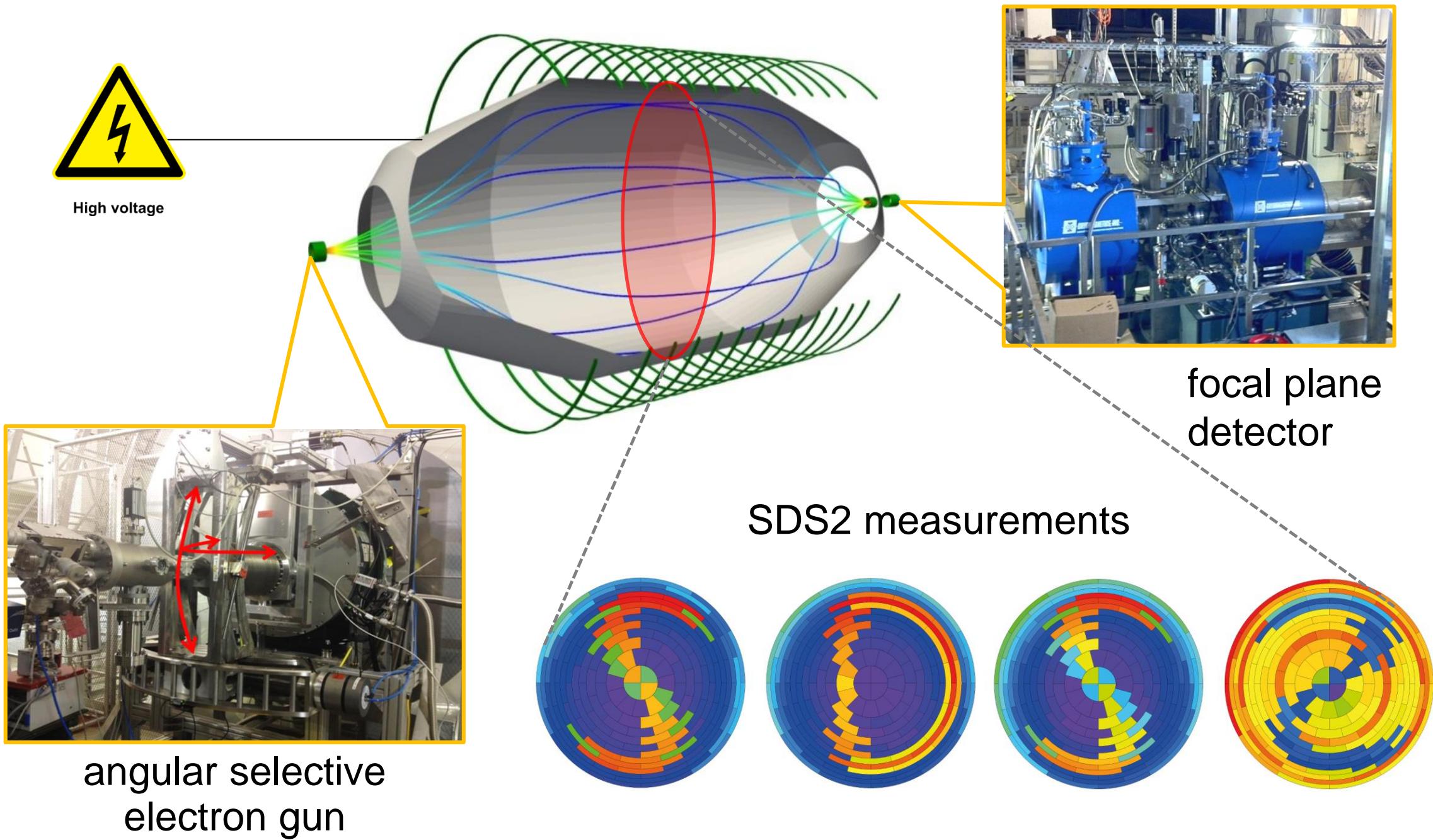
- two long-term commissioning phases **SDS-I/SDS-II** in 2013-15 to verify:
  - concepts & functionality of all components: UHV, HV, SC, DAQ,...
  - MAC-E filter characteristics via egun-transmission studies
  - background model (electrons) & optimise bg-suppression methods



# transmission studies & mapping



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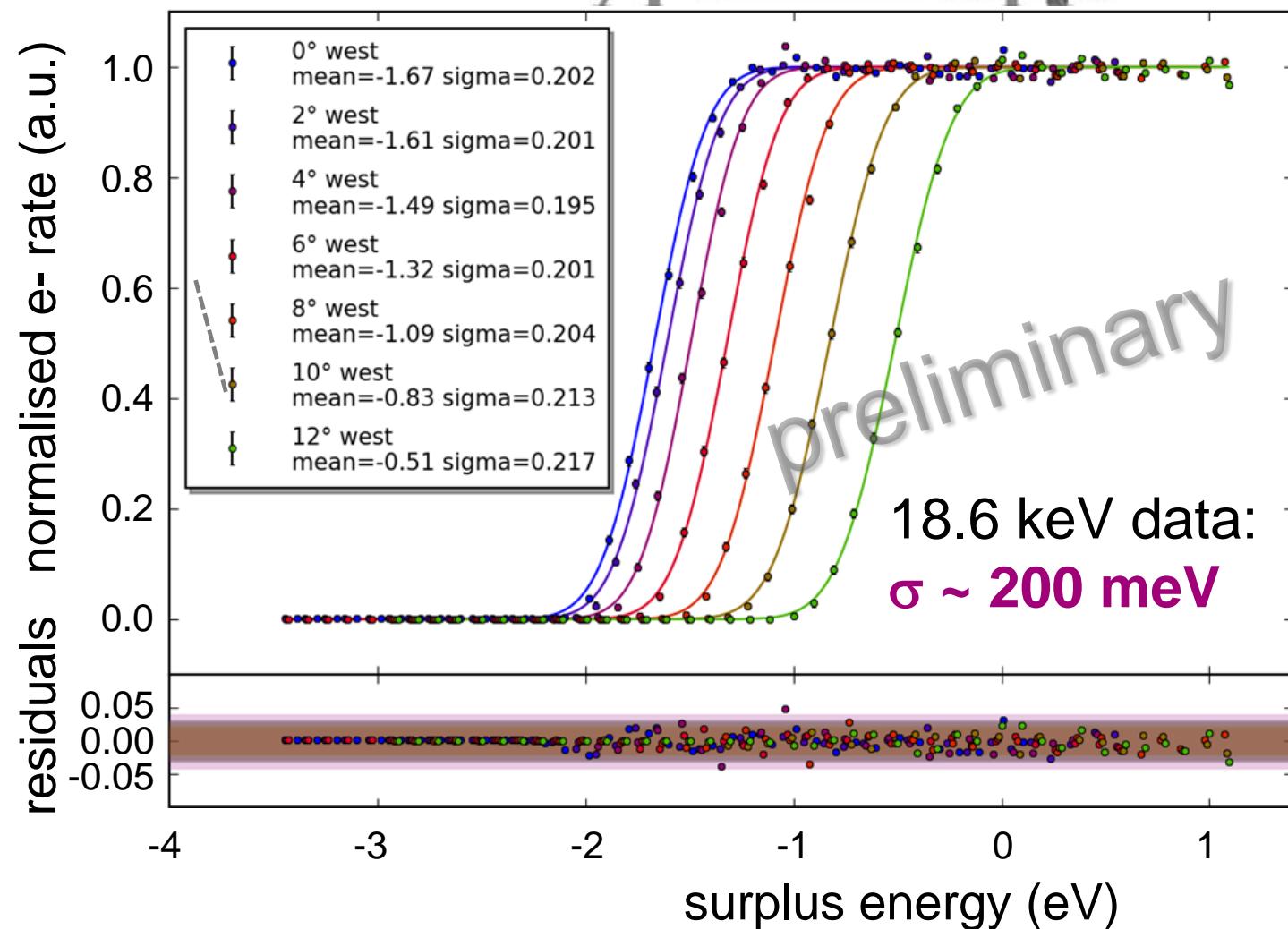
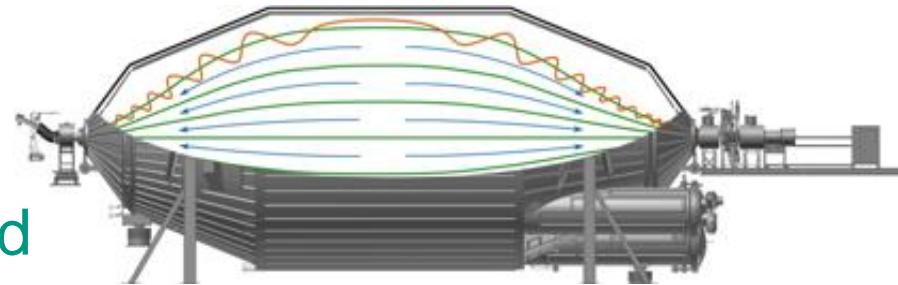


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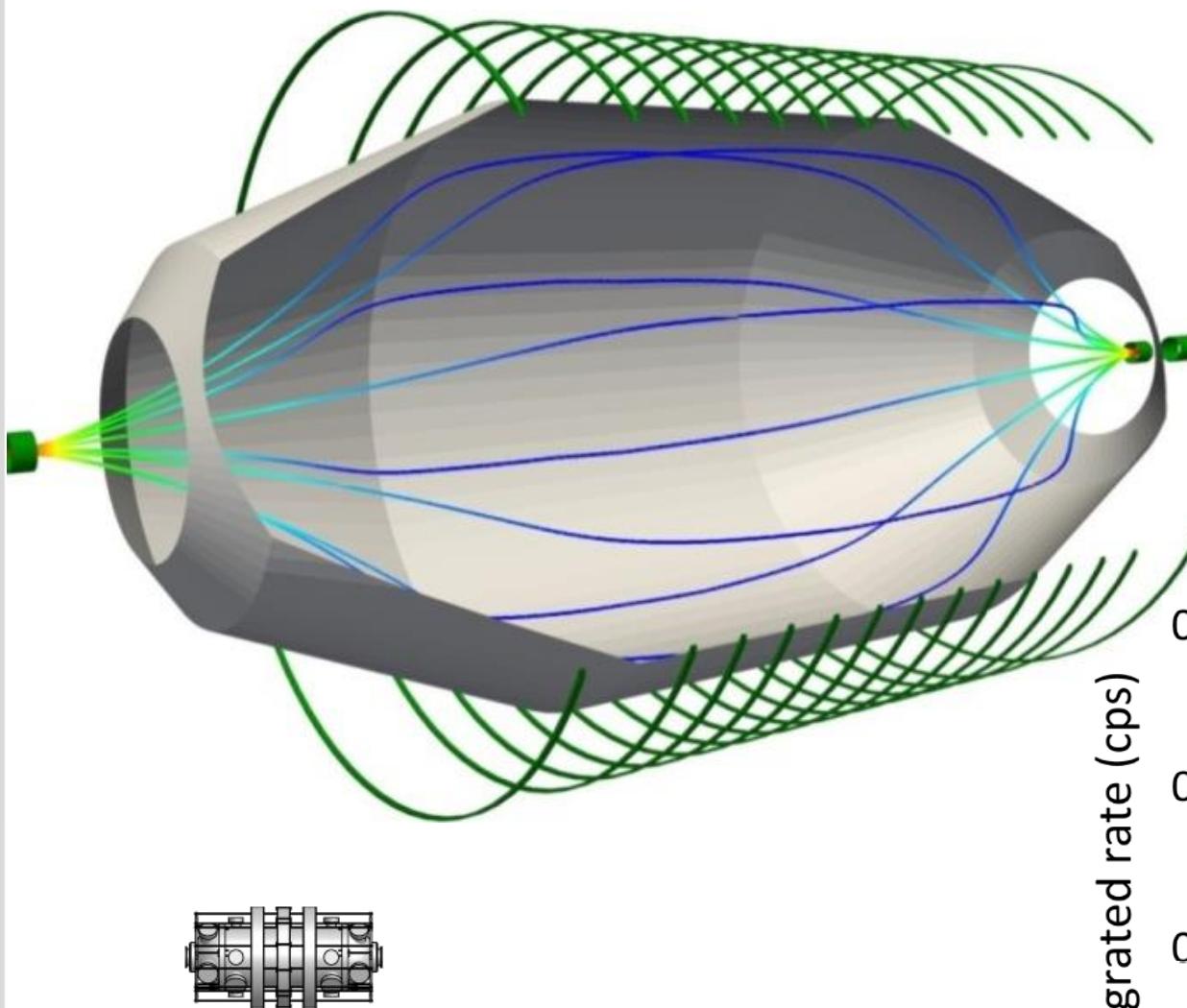
- spectrometer works as MAC-E filter

- magnetic collimation verified

- potential map in analysing plane as expected



# signal and background



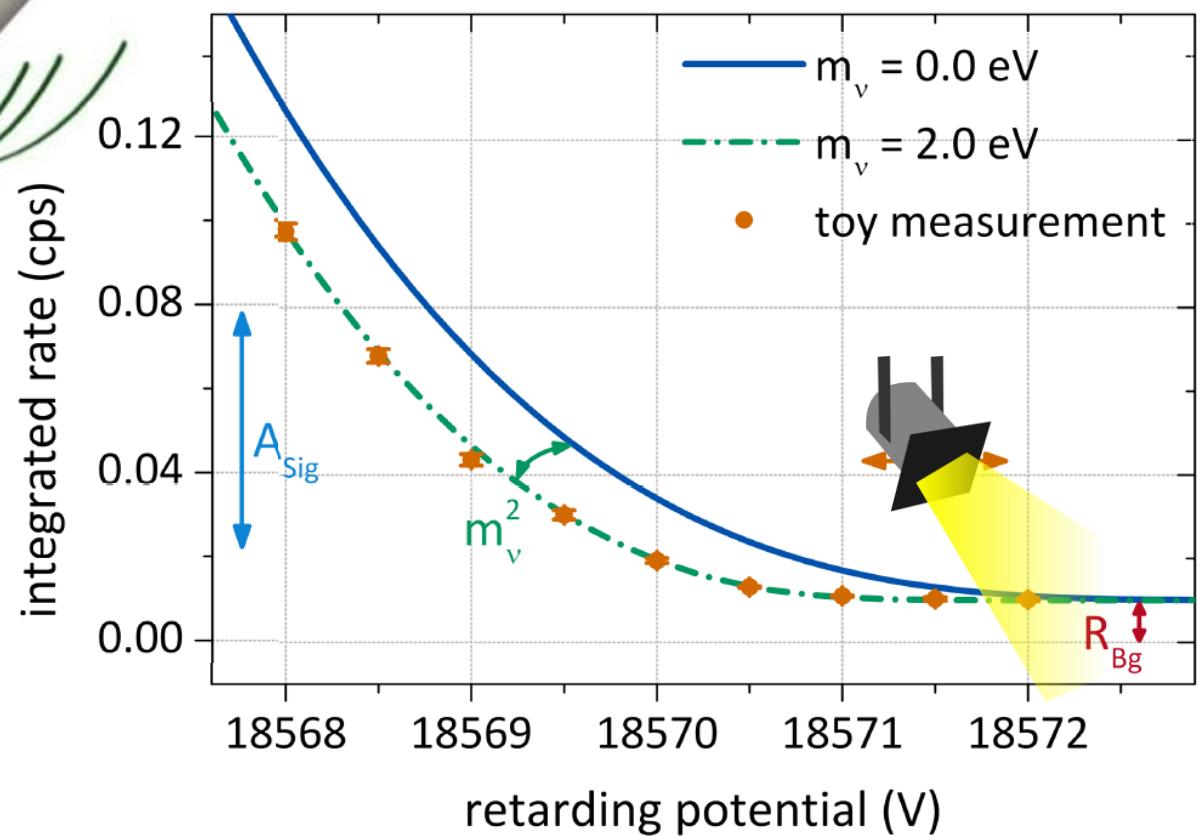
## Mainz spectrometer:

- volume  $V \sim 3 \text{ m}^3$
- background level: 10 mcps

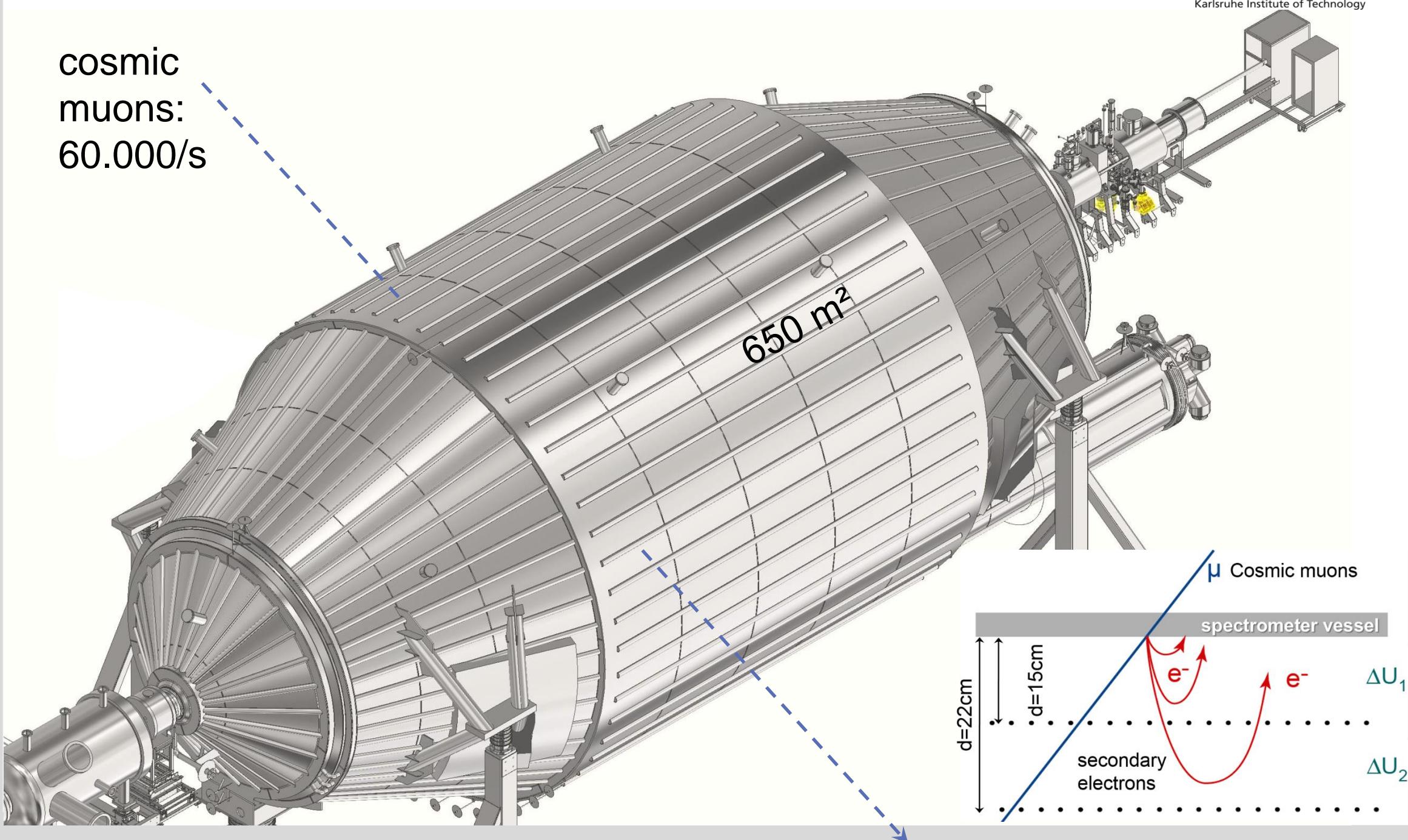
KATRIN main spectrometer:

- volume  $V = 1250 \text{ m}^3$
- nominal background: 10 mcps

background reduction  
factor  $\sim 400$  required



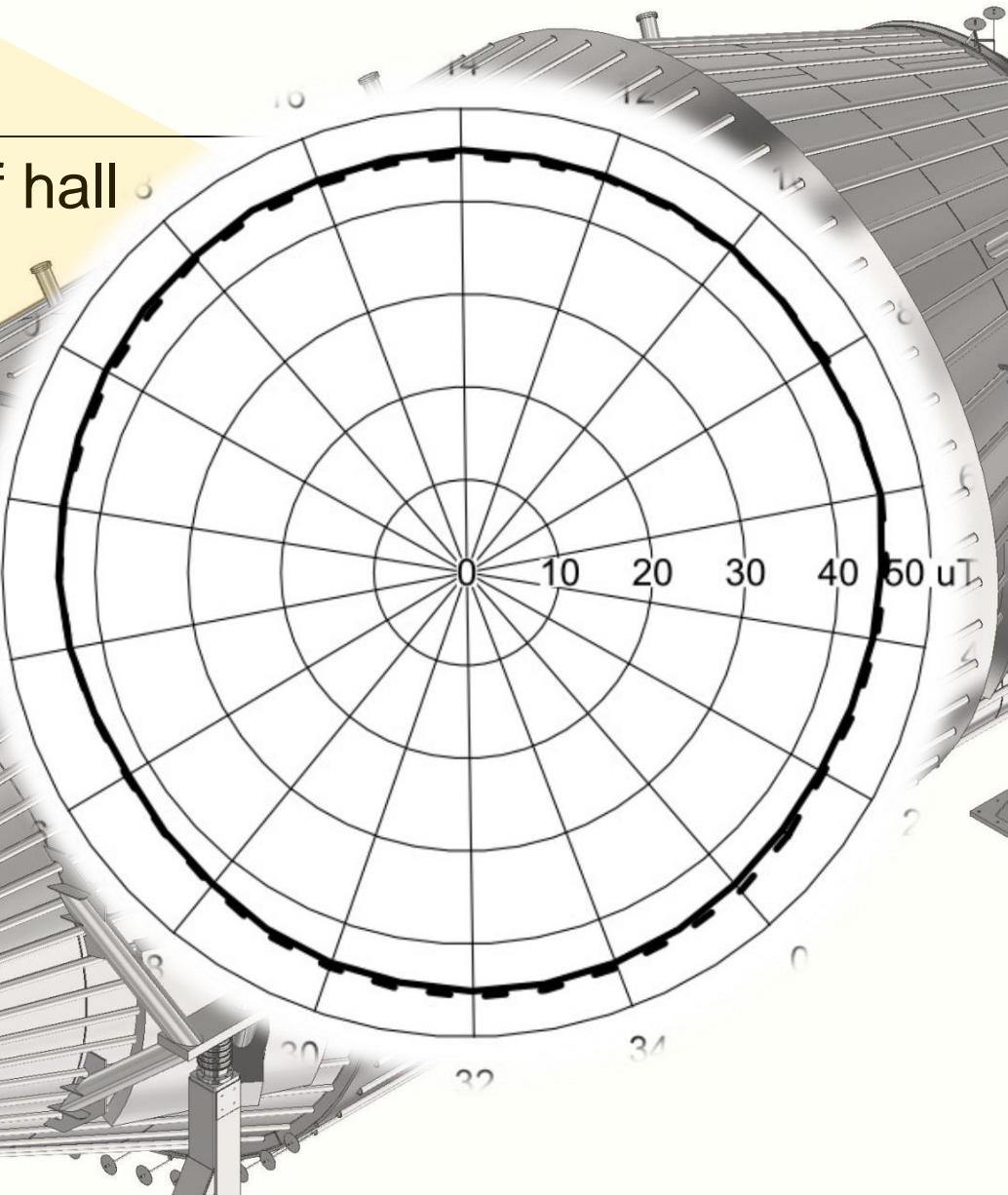
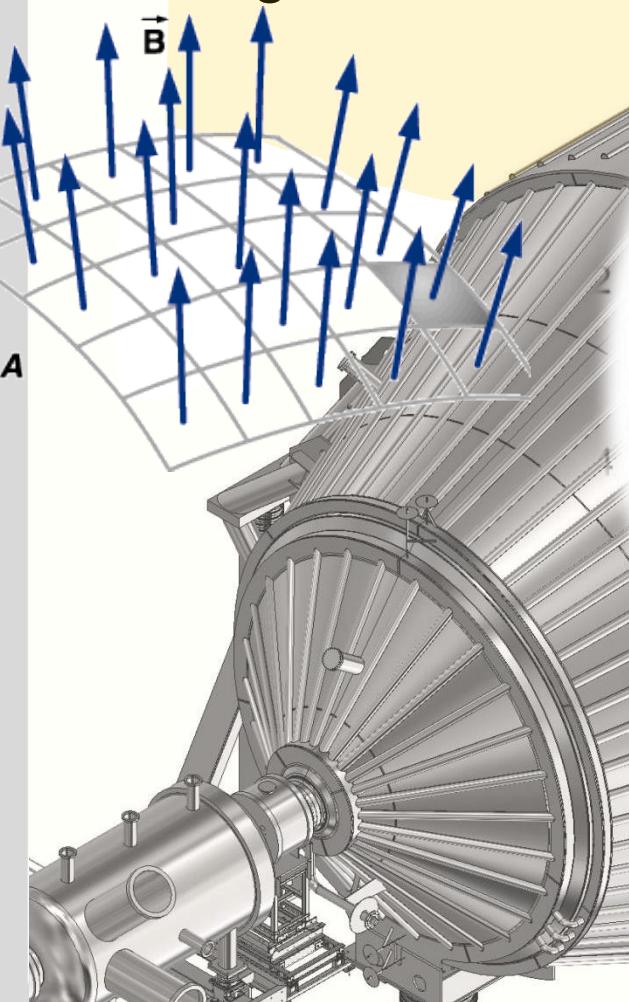
# Background processes: secondary electrons



# de-magnetisation of hall

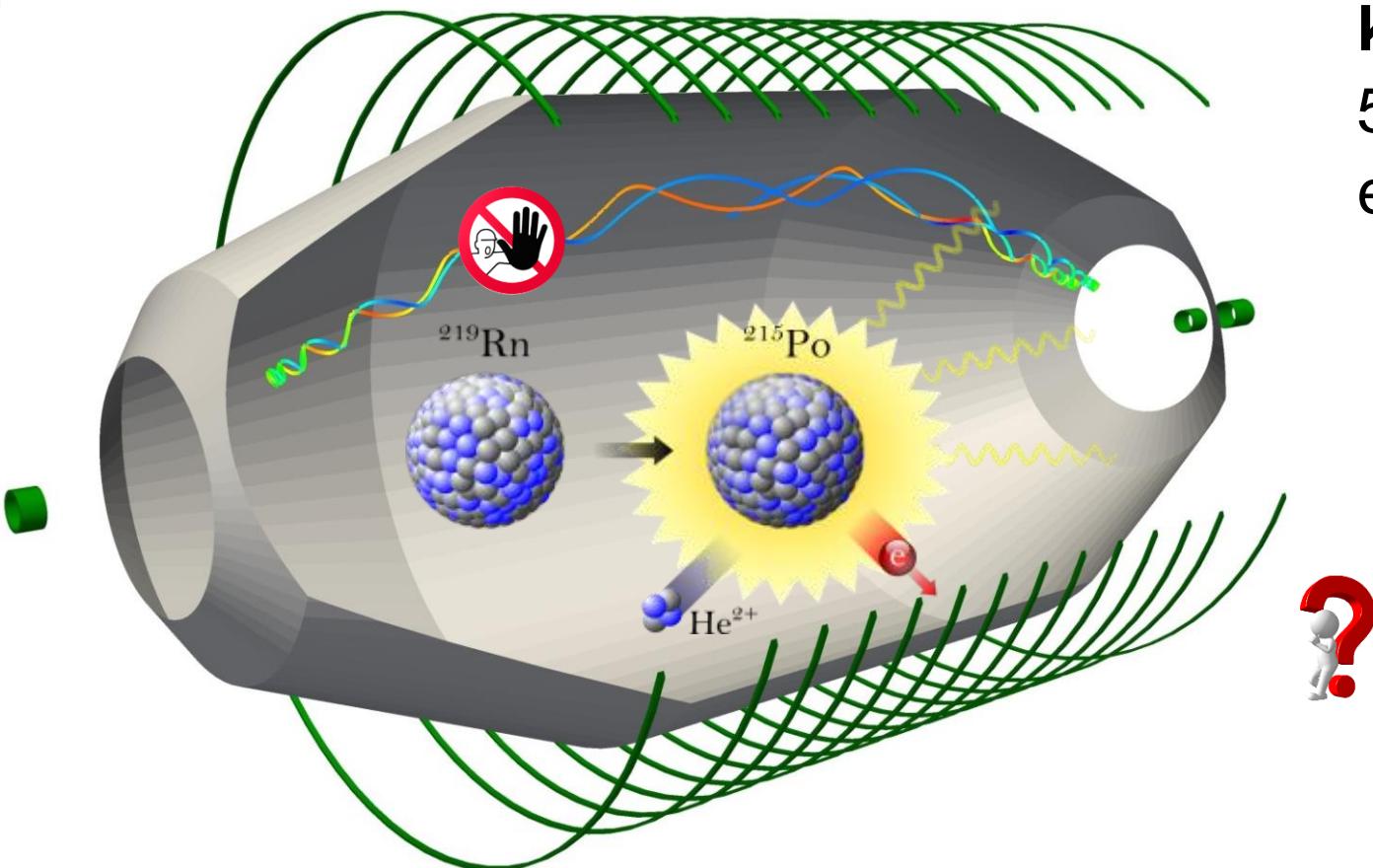
**background:**

de-magnetisation of hall

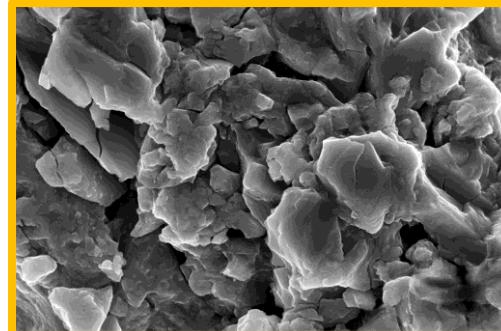


axi-symmetric  
magnetic field

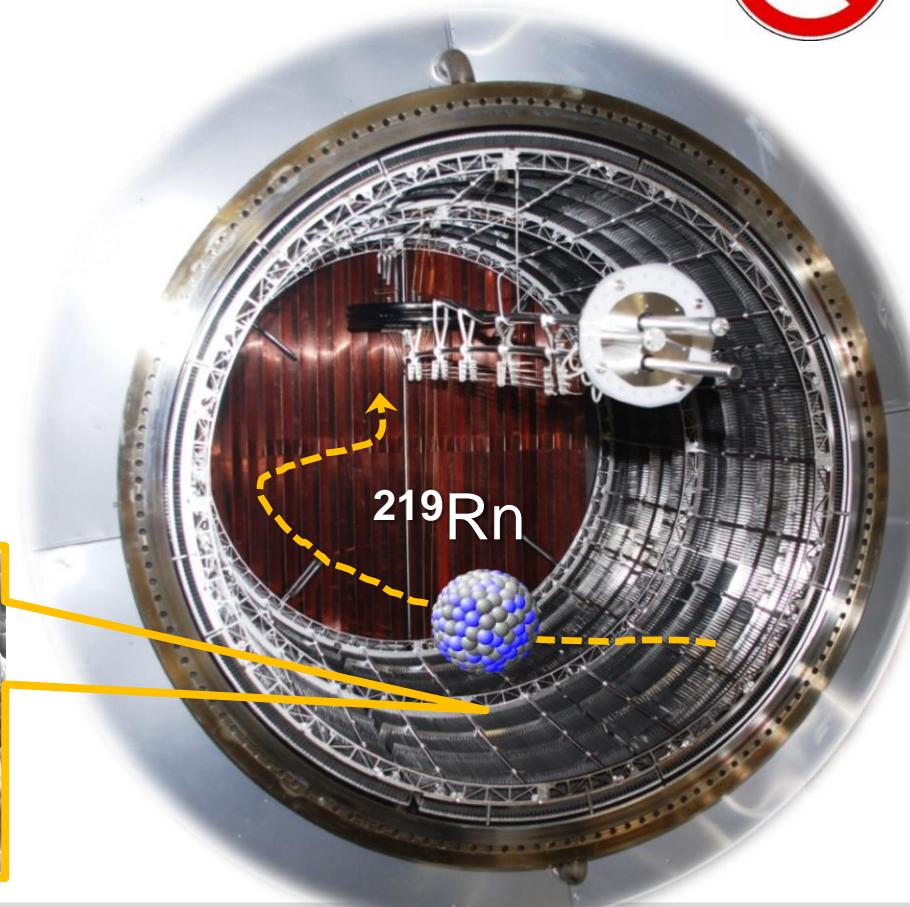
# background sources - I



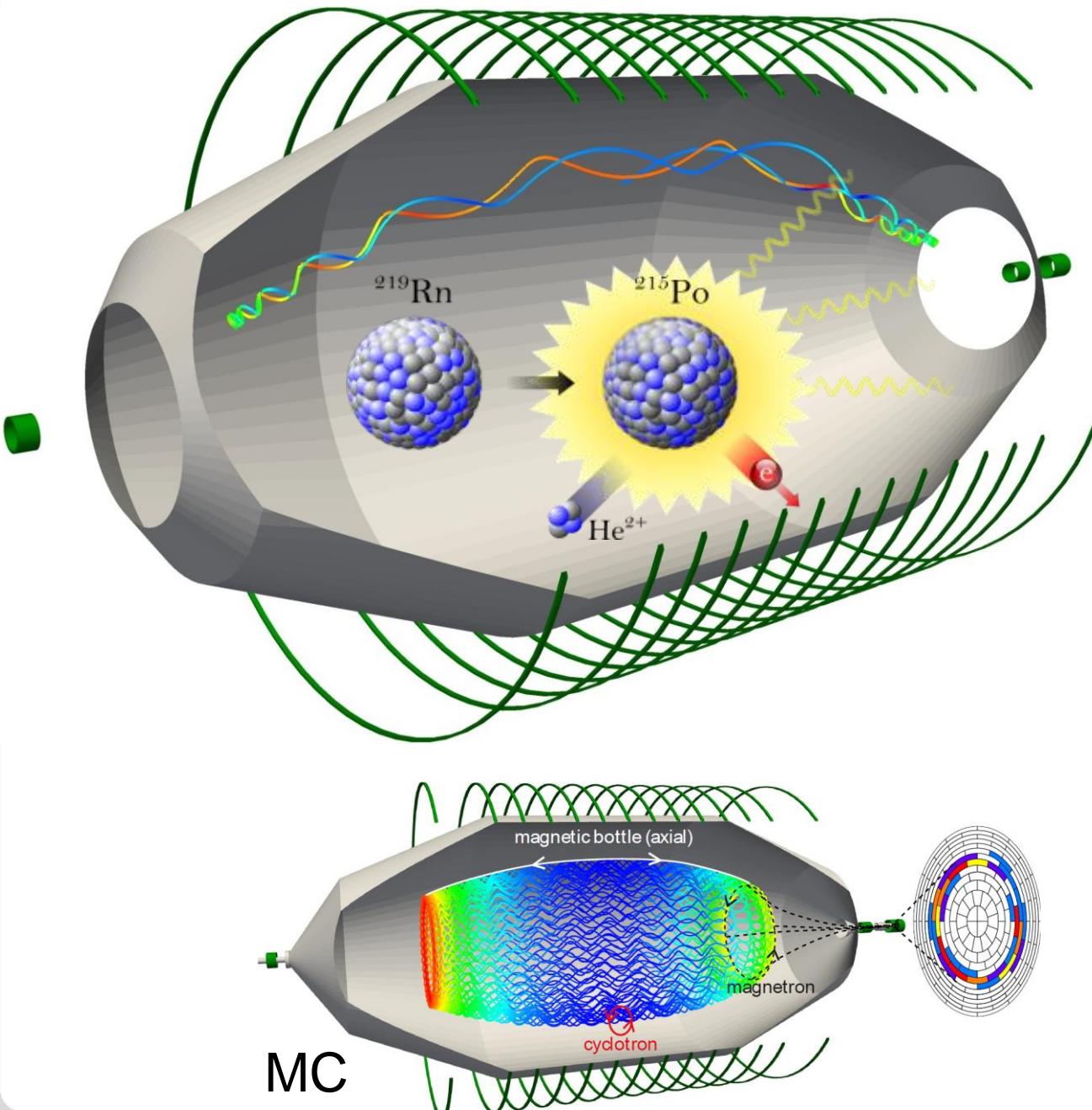
3 km NEG strips



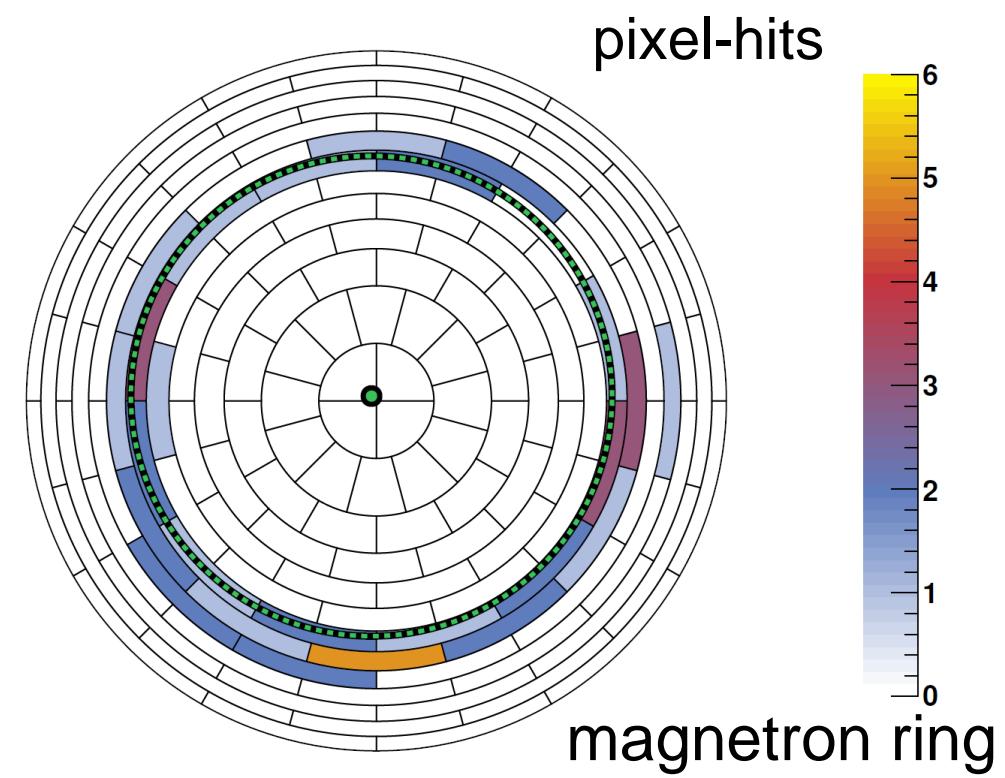
**known unknowns:**  
500 mcps due to  
emanation of  
 $^{219}\text{Rn}$  from NEG pump



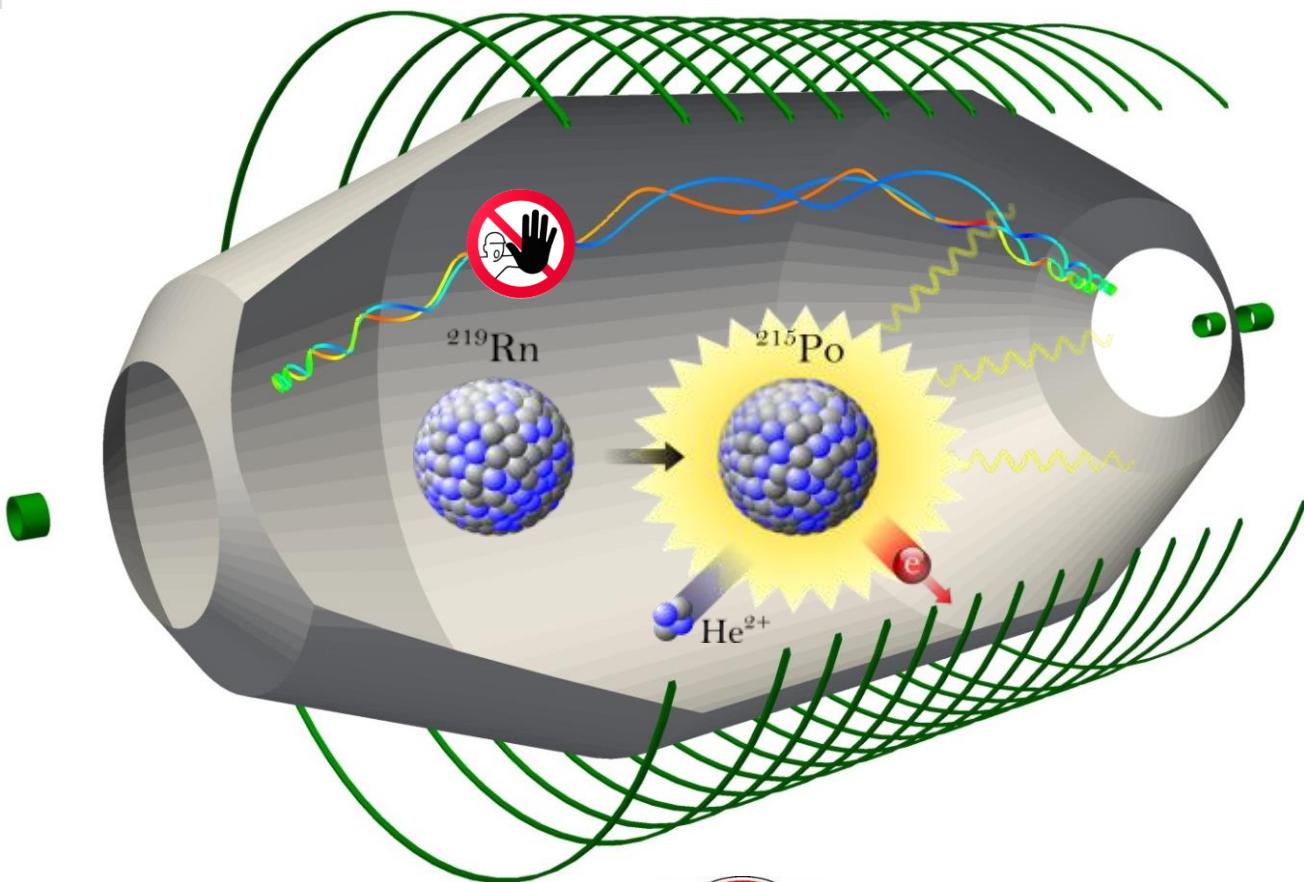
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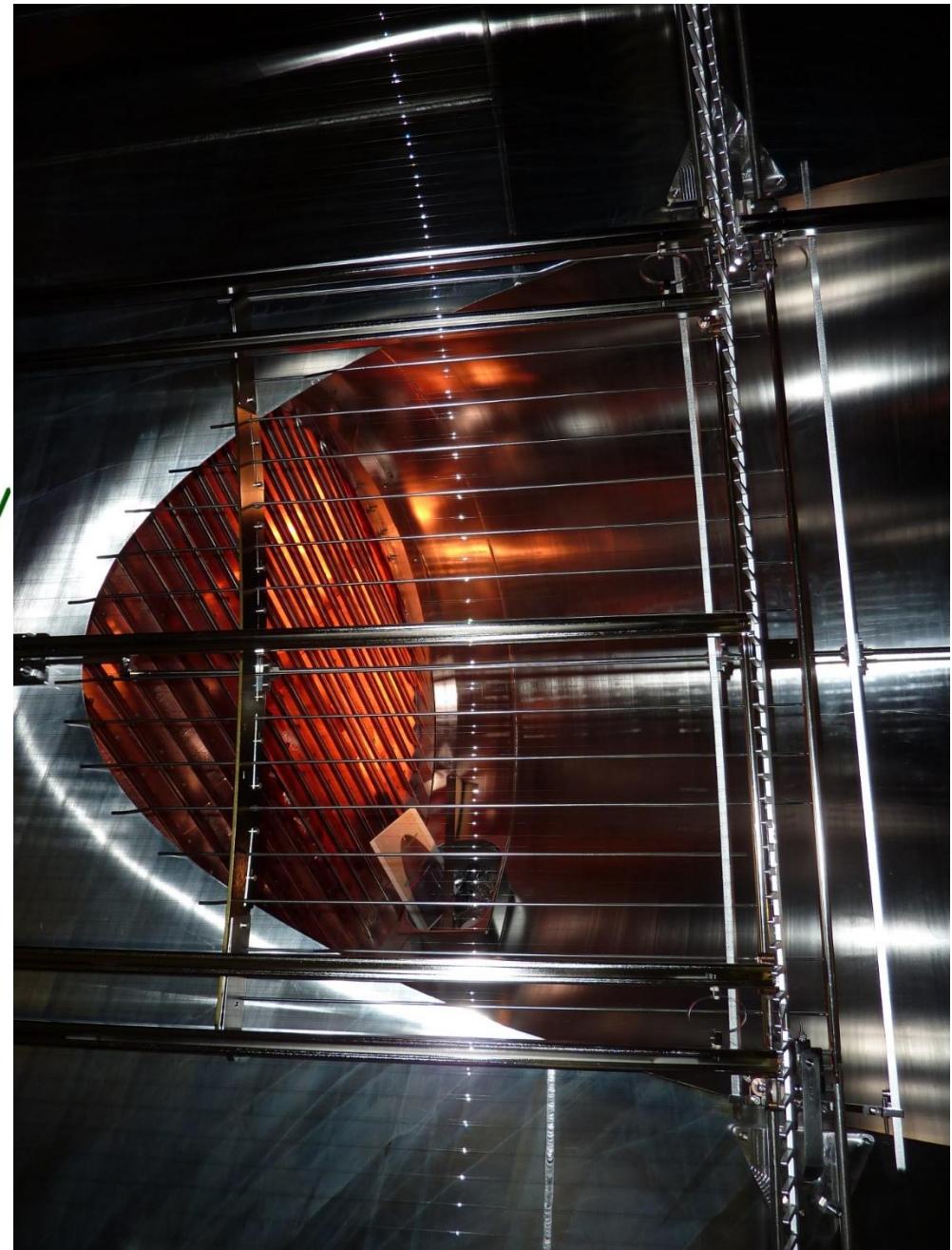
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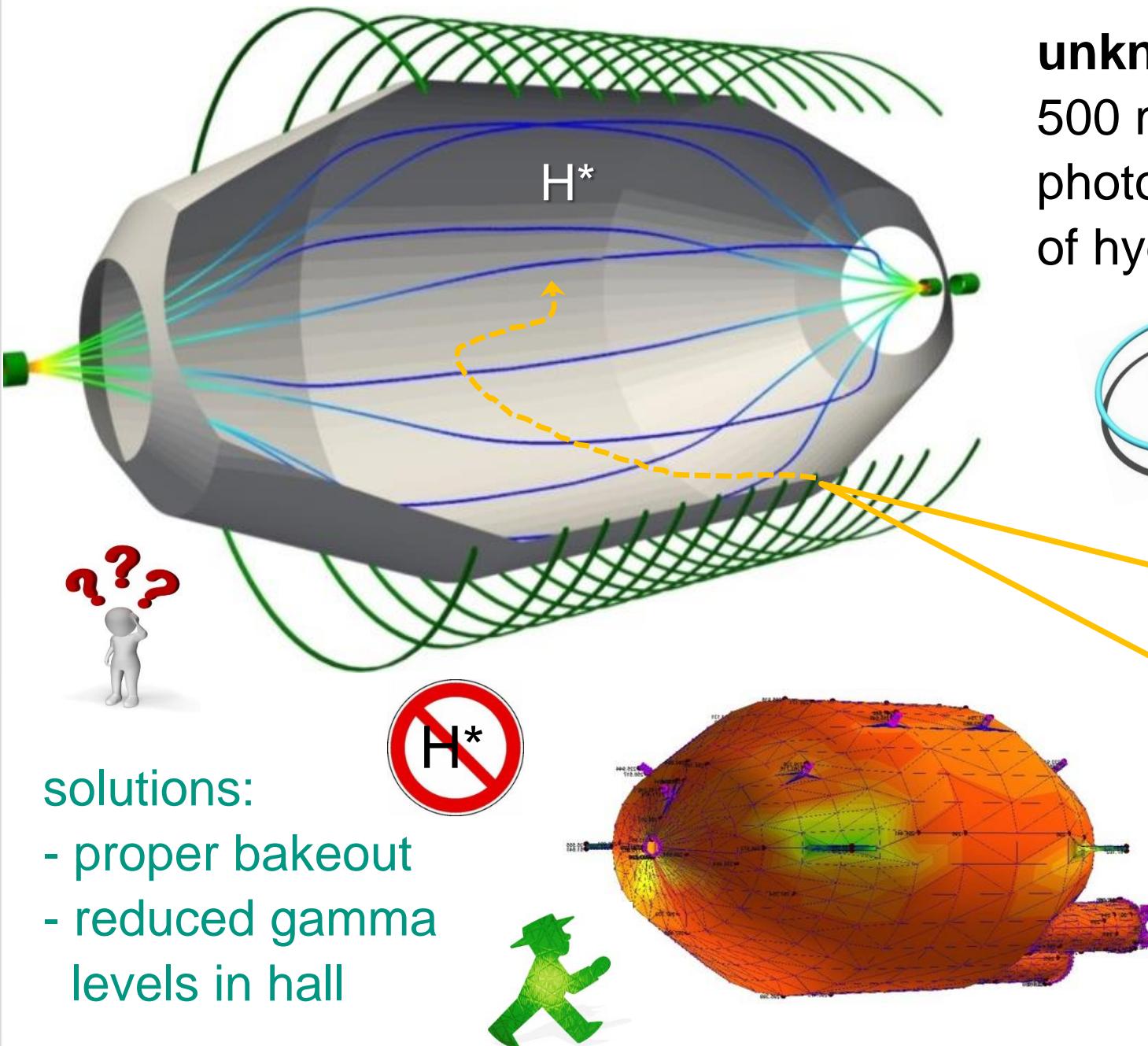
solution:

LN<sub>2</sub>-cooled baffles

$$\varepsilon = (97 \pm 2)\%$$



# background sources - II

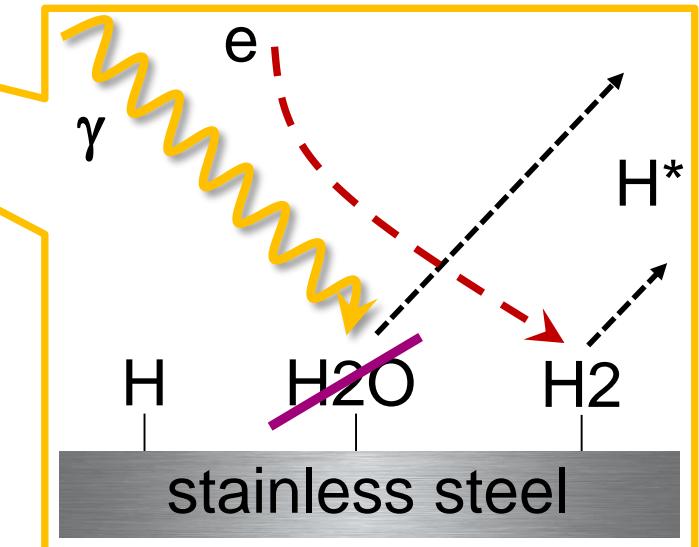
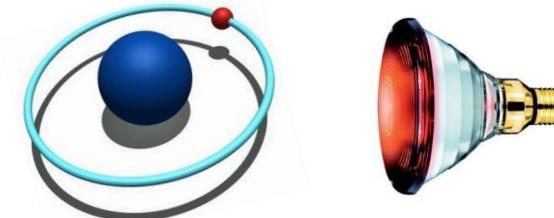


solutions:

- proper bakeout
- reduced gamma levels in hall



**unknown unknowns:**  
500 mcps due to  
photon-stimulated desorption  
of hydrogen Rydberg states



650 m<sup>2</sup>

# KATRIN – future steps

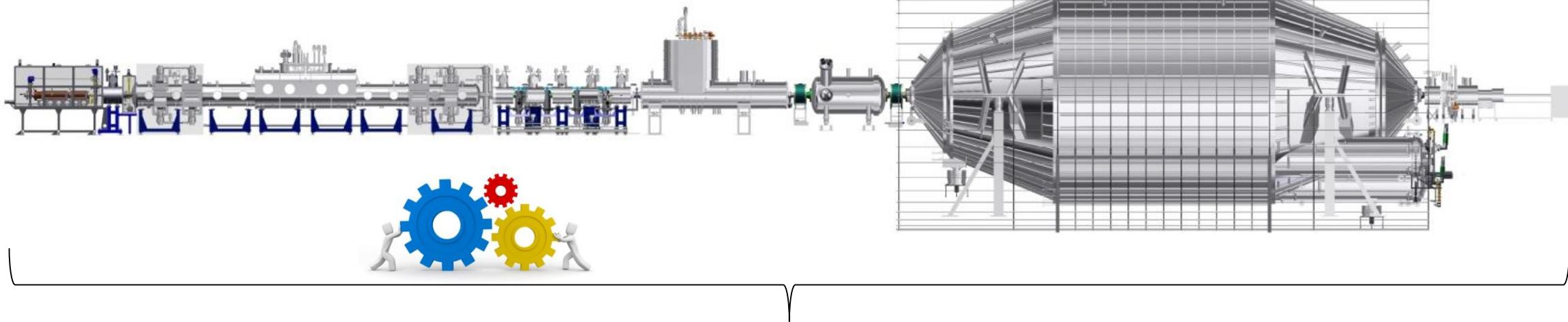
end '15: cryo/magnet commissioning

final modifications, gamma shielding

mid '16: tritium loops completed, first  $T_2$

operate with nominal bg-level

tritium-bearing components



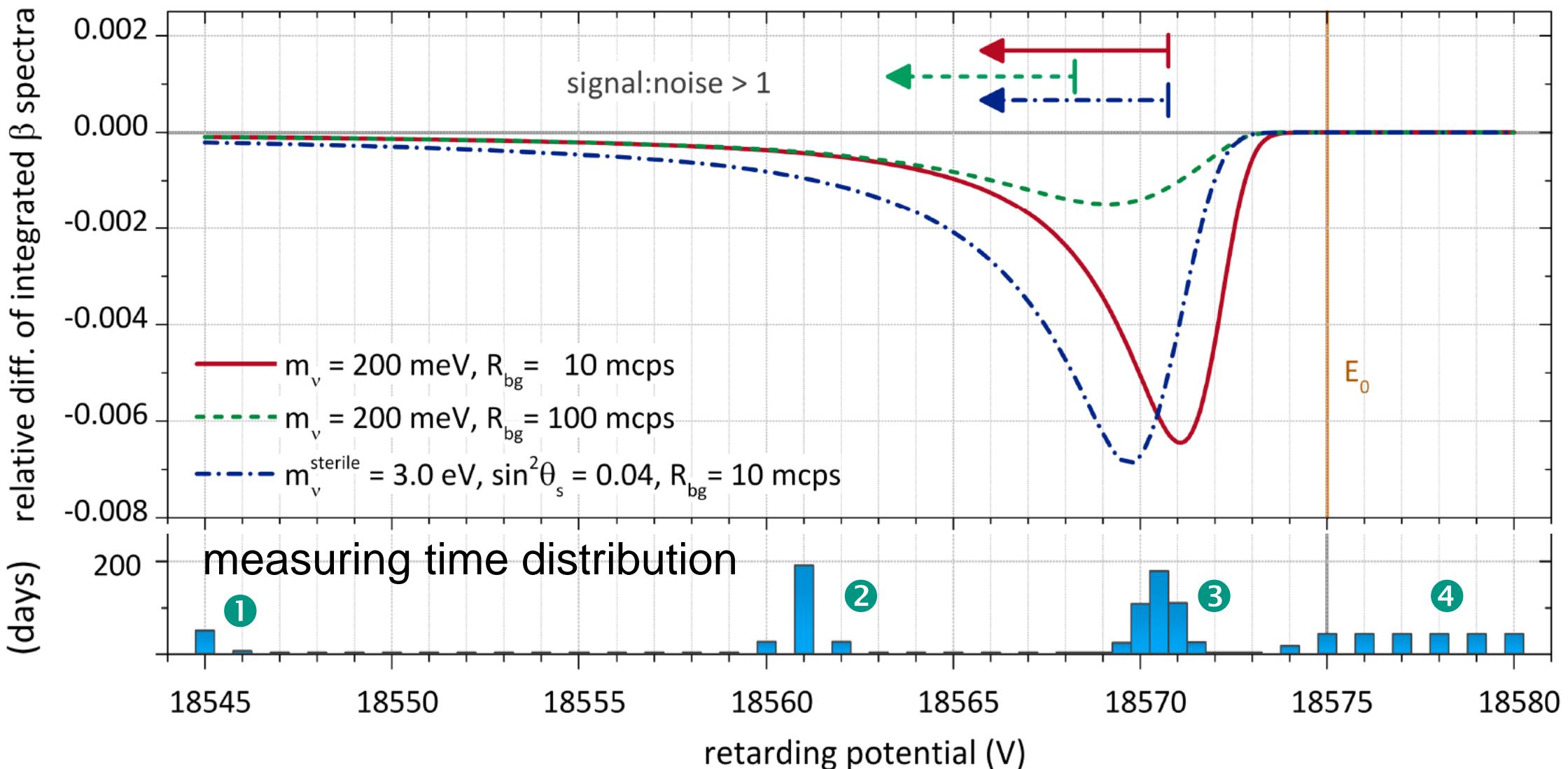
mid-end '16: first exploratory with small  $T_2$  column densities, ramp up

early '17: operate with nominal  $T_2$  column densities, egun runs,  $\nu$ -mass, ...



# spectral shape modification & MTD

- **shape modification:** information on  $m^2(\nu_e)$  mainly from region 4 eV below  $E_0$ 
  - ↳ optimized scanning strategy for 4 parameters (statistics only)

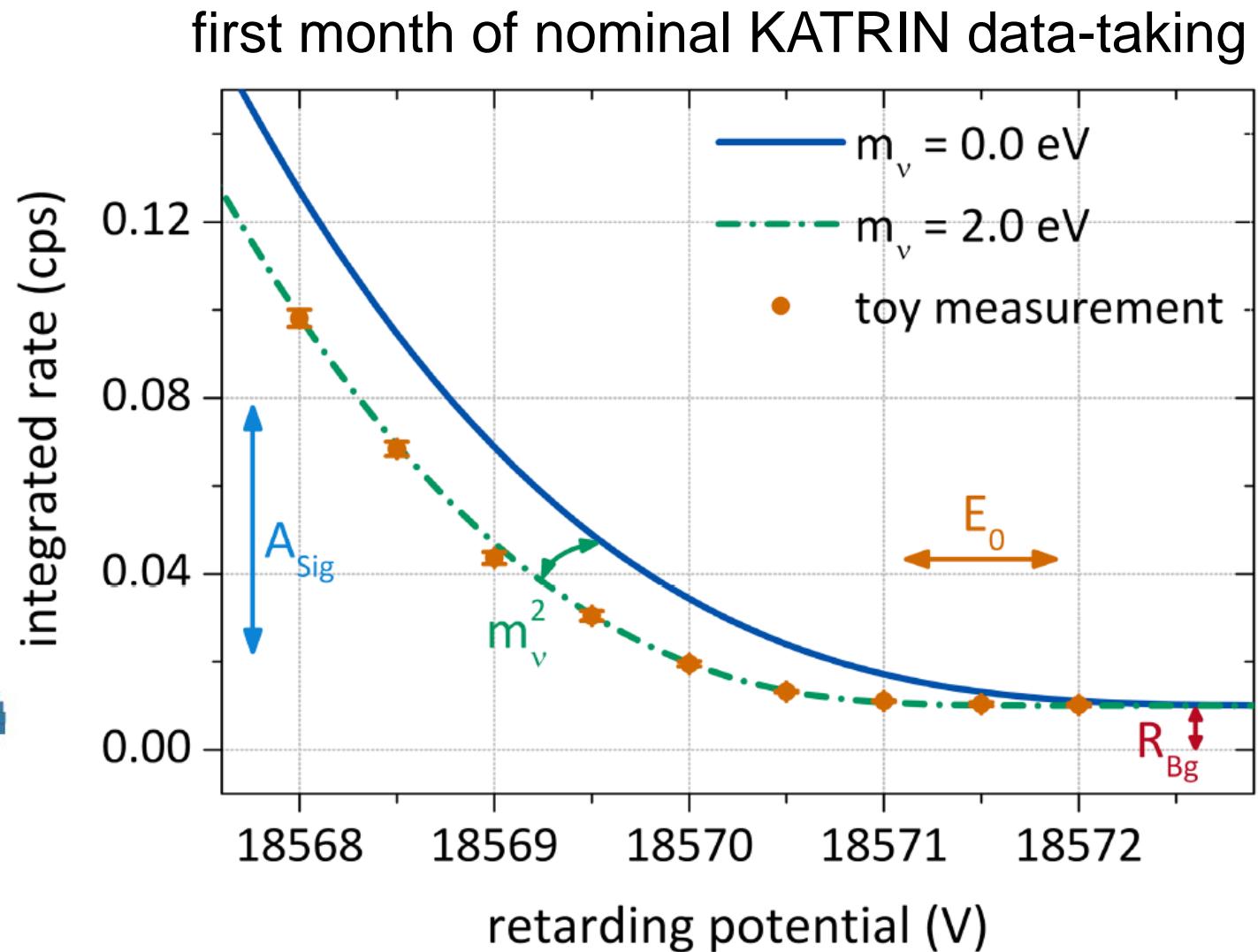
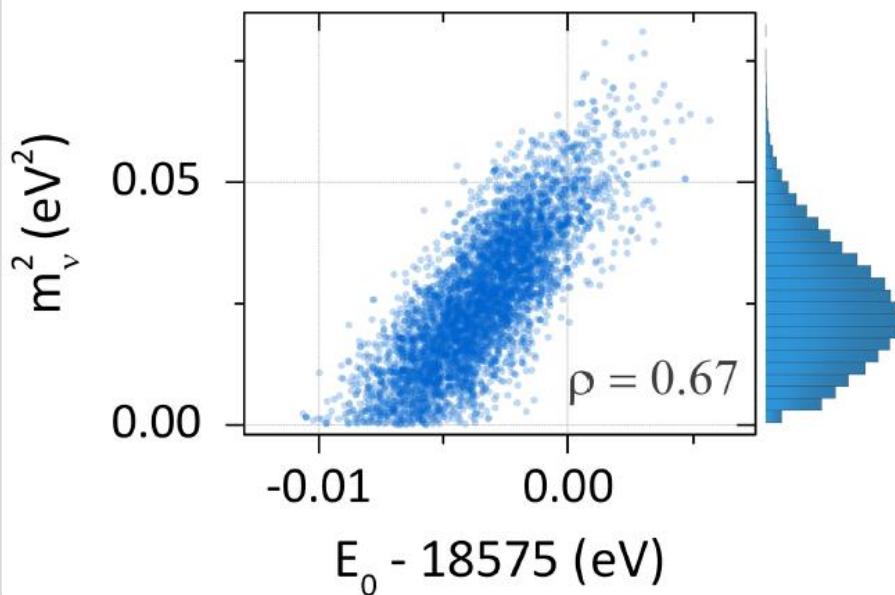


# spectral shape – integral measurement

- only **relative spectral shape** is measured, no absolute measurement

## 4 parameters:

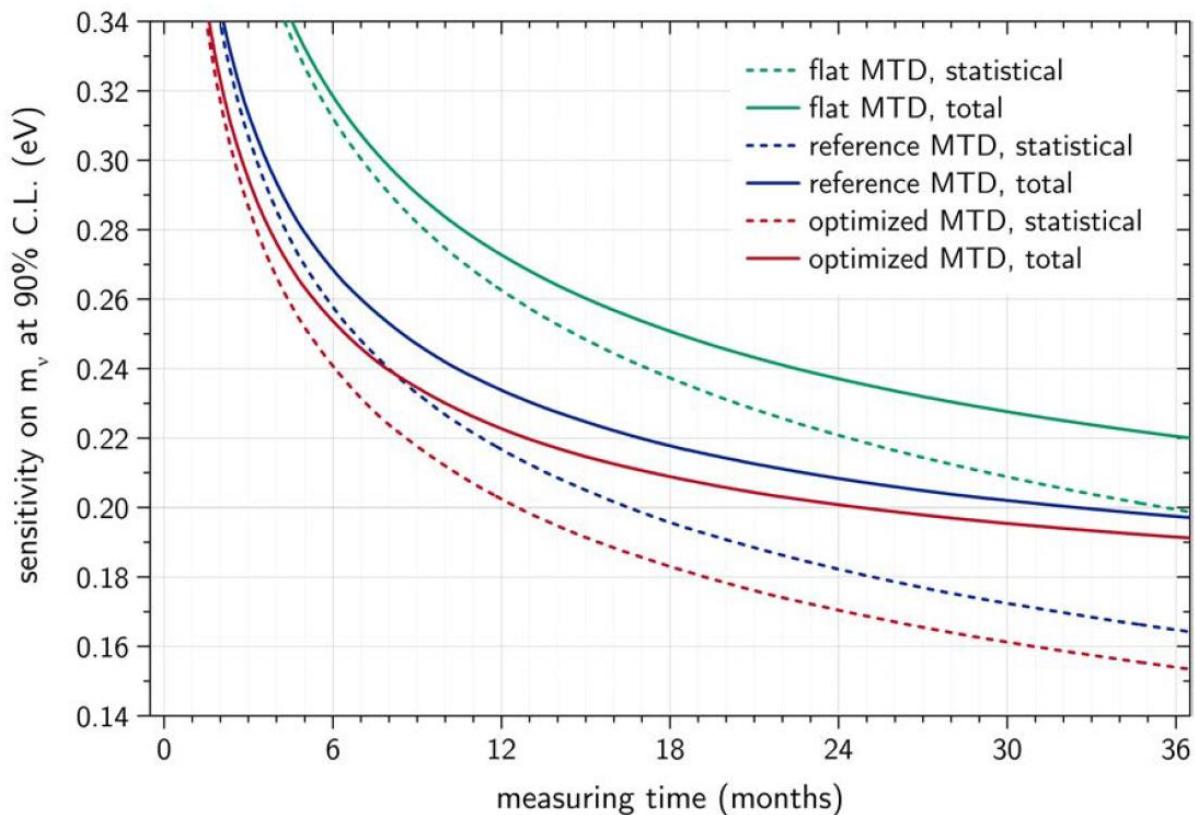
- background rate  $R_{\text{bg}}$
  - signal amplitude  $A_{\text{sig}}$
  - endpoint energy  $E_0$
  - neutrino mass  $m^2(\nu_e)$
- parameter correlations:



# KATRIN neutrino mass sensitivity

## ■ reference $\nu$ -mass sensitivity

for 3 'full beam' (5 calendar) years:



sensitivity  $m(\nu_e) = 200 \text{ meV (90\% CL)}$

350 meV ( $5\sigma$ )

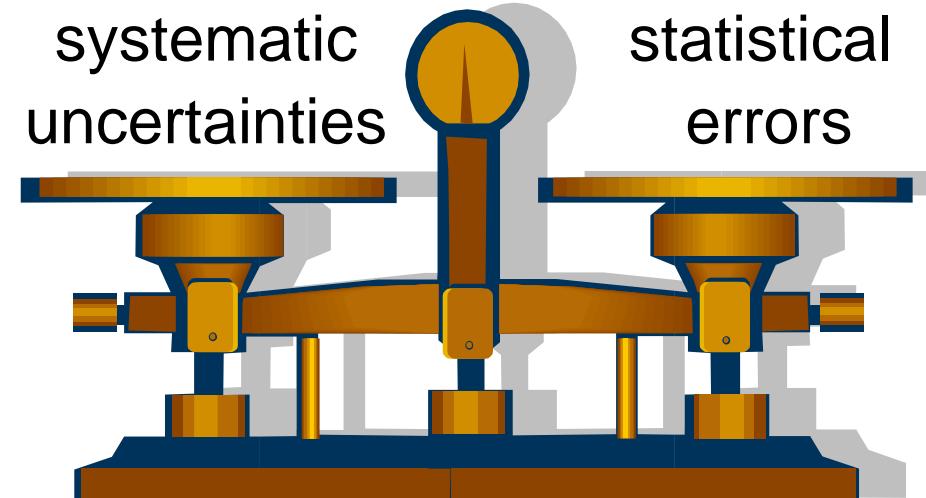
statistics:  $\sigma_{\text{stat}} = 0.018 \text{ eV}^2$

improved scanning



$\Sigma 5$  systematics:  $\sigma_{\text{syst}} < 0.017 \text{ eV}^2$

systematic  
uncertainties



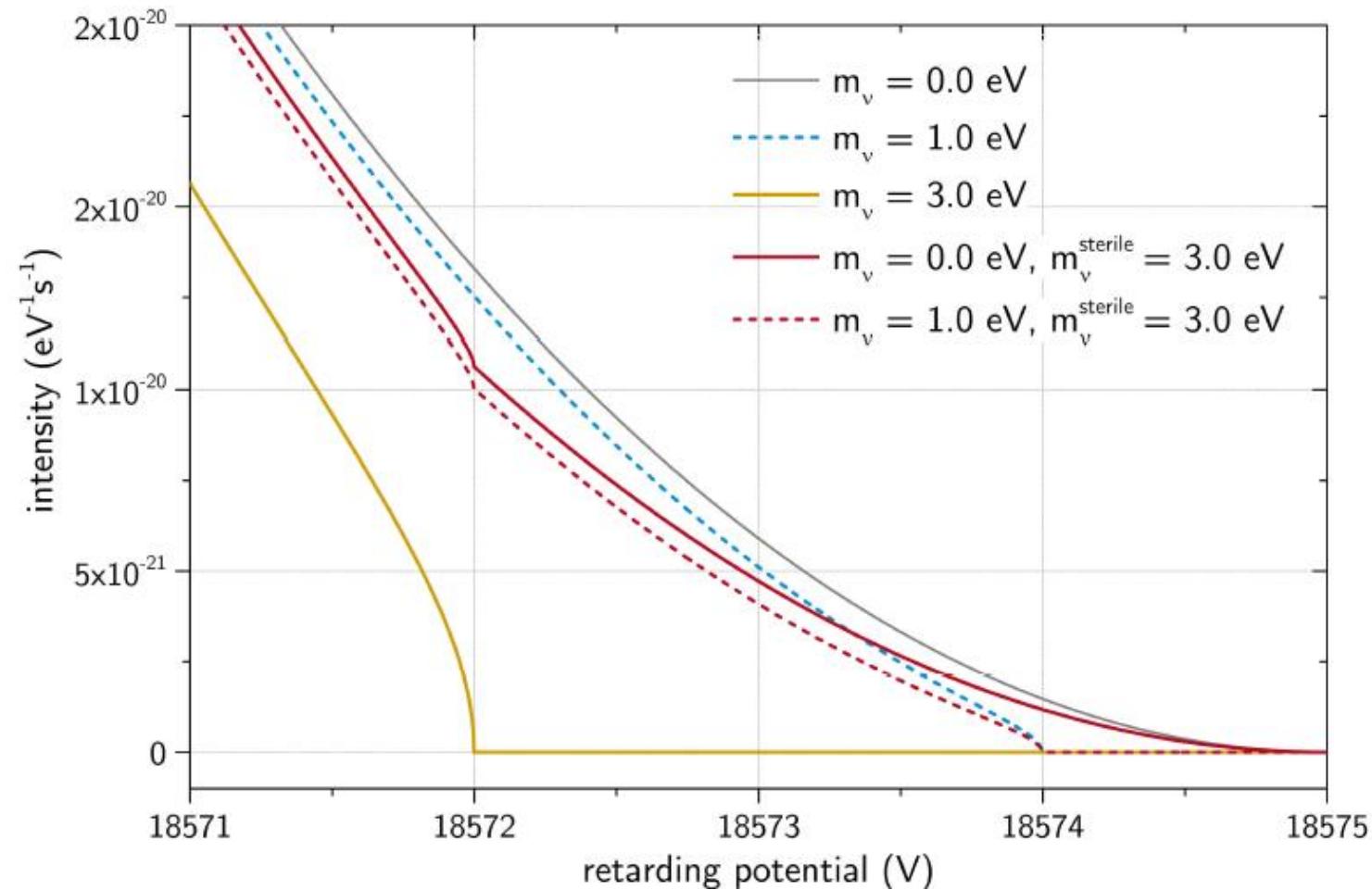
# light sterile neutrinos: reactor anomaly

- shape modification below  $E_0$  by active ( $m_a$ )<sup>2</sup> and sterile ( $m_s$ )<sup>2</sup> neutrinos

$$\frac{dN}{dE} = \cos^2 \theta_s \cdot \frac{dN}{dE}(m_a) + \sin^2 \theta_s \cdot \frac{dN}{dE}(m_s)$$



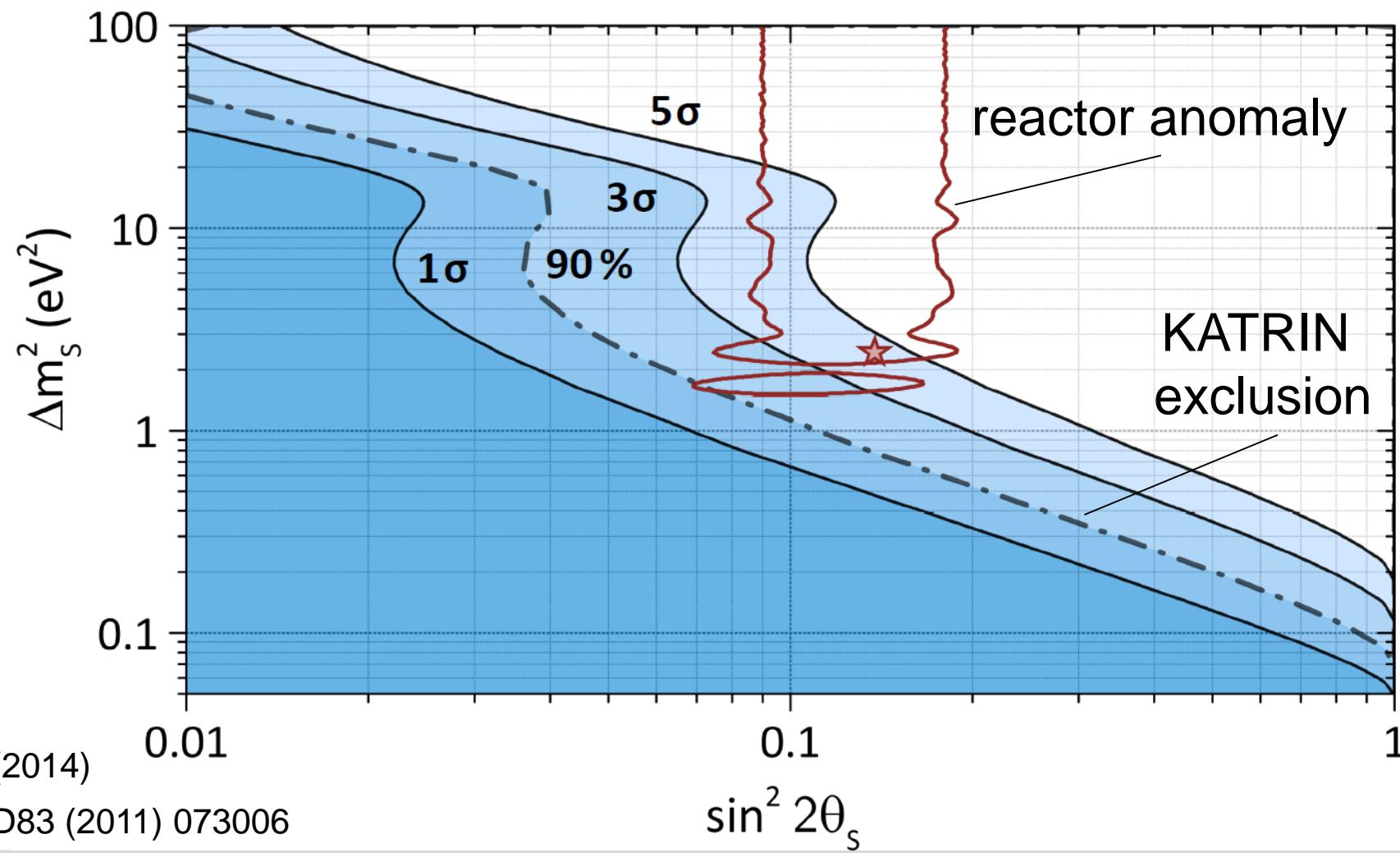
additional kink  
would appear in  
the electron  
energy spectrum  
at  $E = E_0 - m_{\text{sterile}}$



# light sterile neutrinos: reactor- $\nu$ -anomaly

- KATRIN sensitivity reevaluated for light (eV-scale) **sterile neutrinos**  
parameter region  $\Delta m^2 \sim 1$  eV,  $\sin^2 2\theta_s \sim 0.1$  has been suggested  
by **reactor anti-neutrino anomaly**

- KATRIN  
covers large  
part of allowed  
 $\Delta m^2 - \sin^2 2\theta$   
region within  
3 net years

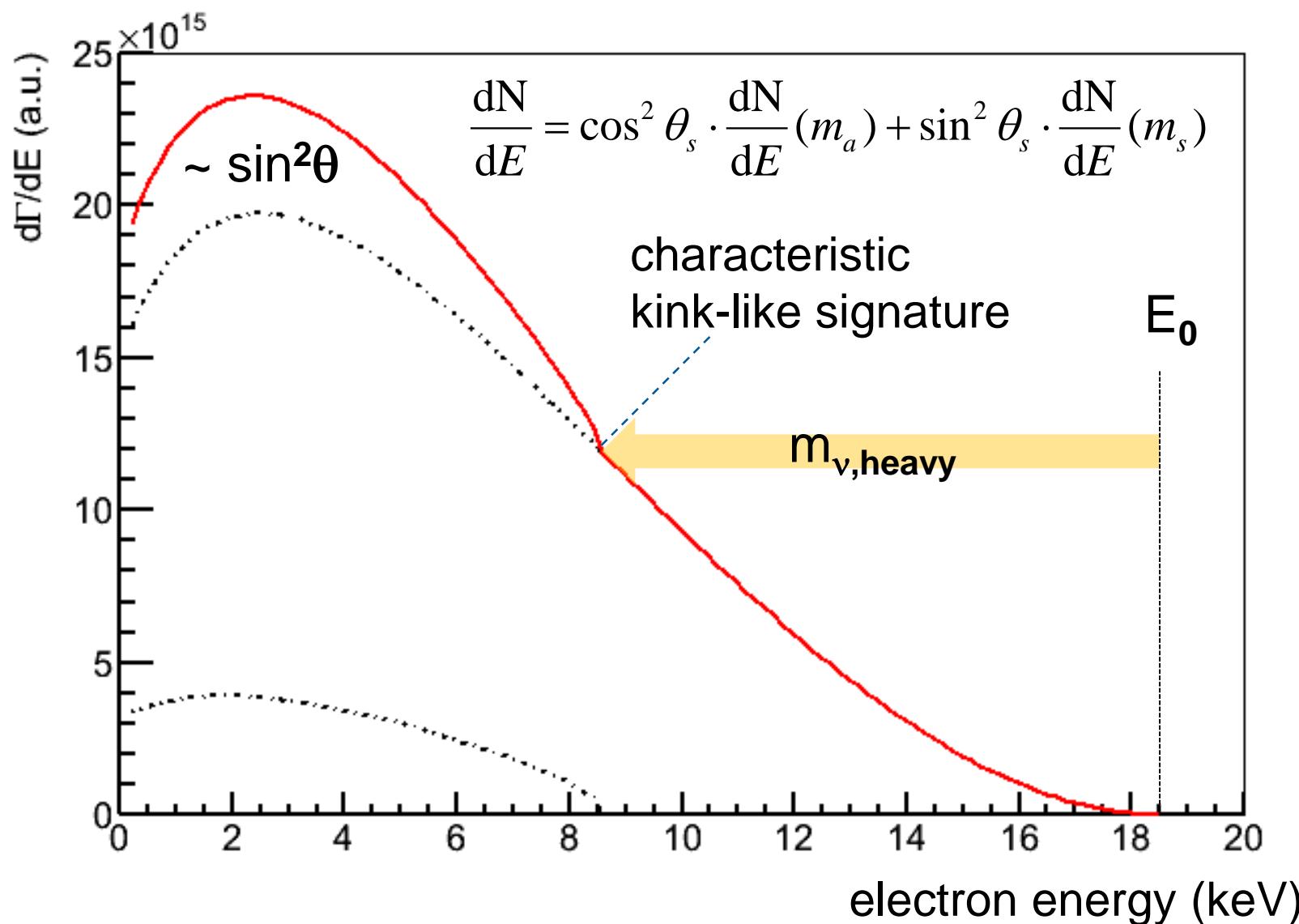


M. Kleesiek, PhD thesis, KIT (2014)

G. Mention et al., Phys. Rev. D83 (2011) 073006

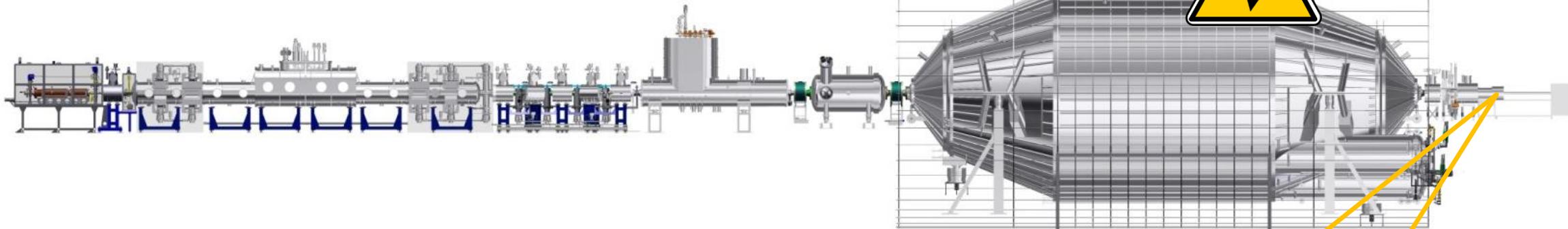
# keV-mass sterile neutrinos

- shape modification by keV-mass sterile neutrino with mass  $m_s$

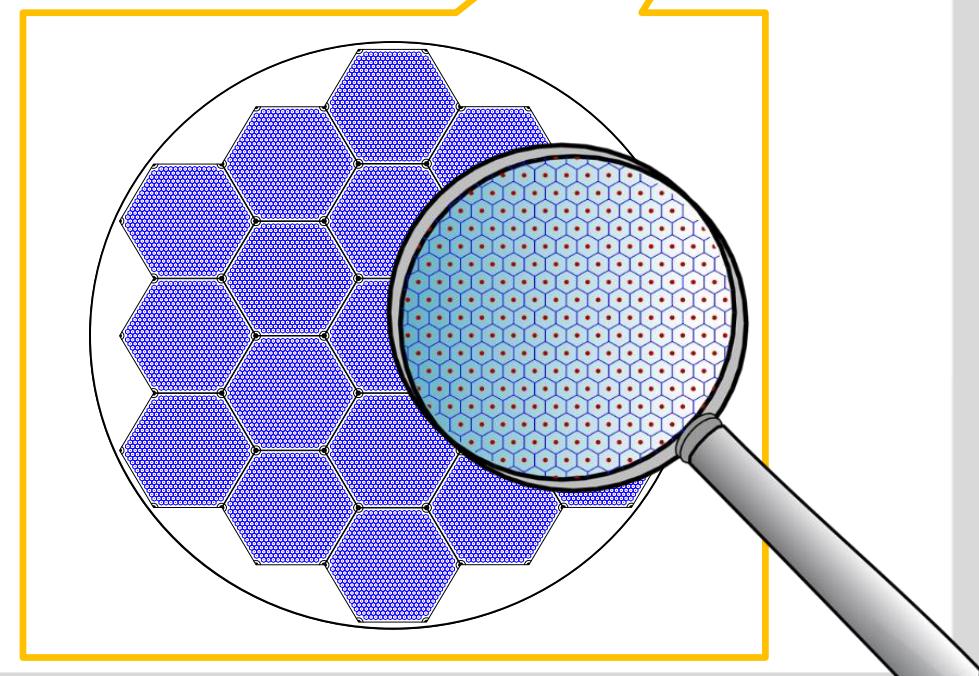


# KATRIN – a novel detector system (TRISTAN)

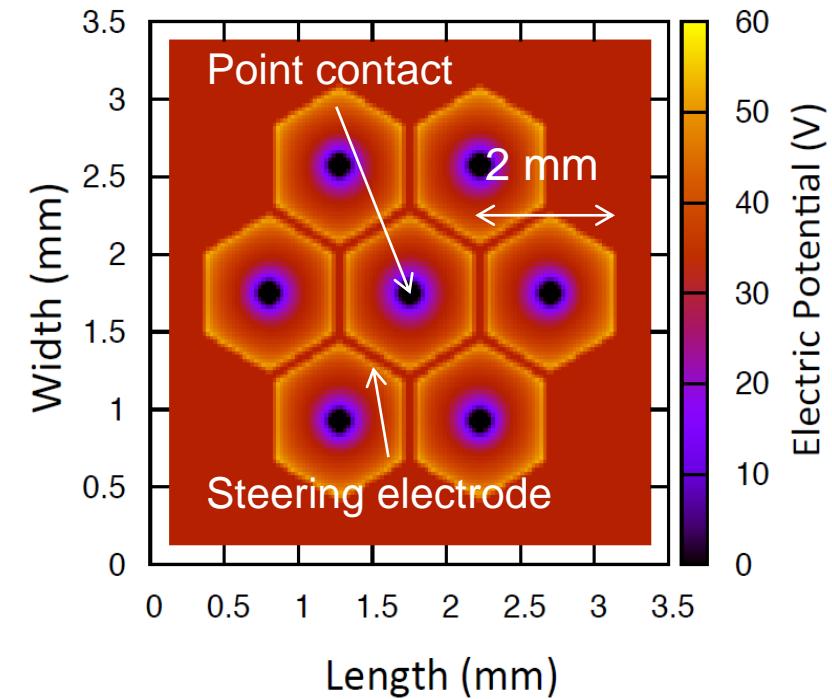
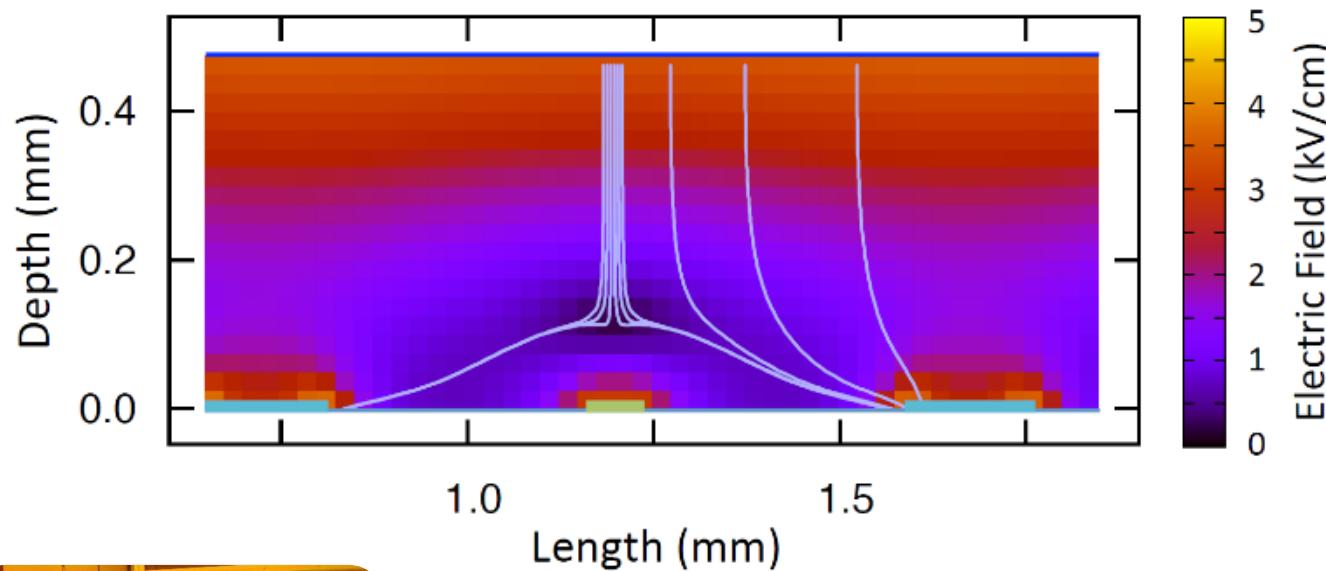
- cover entire phase-space of T2  $\beta$ -decay  
search for kink-like structure



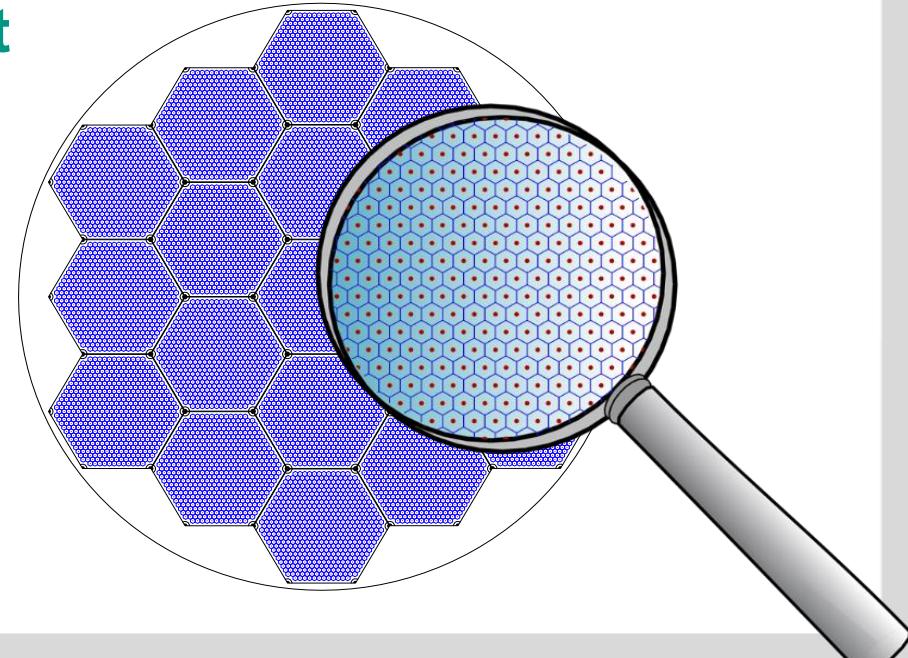
- main spectrometer operated at variable retarding potential (0-18.6 keV)  
**huge signal rates  $\mathcal{O}(10^{10}$  cps)**
- need detectors with energy resolution of  $\Delta E \sim 300$  eV for kink identification



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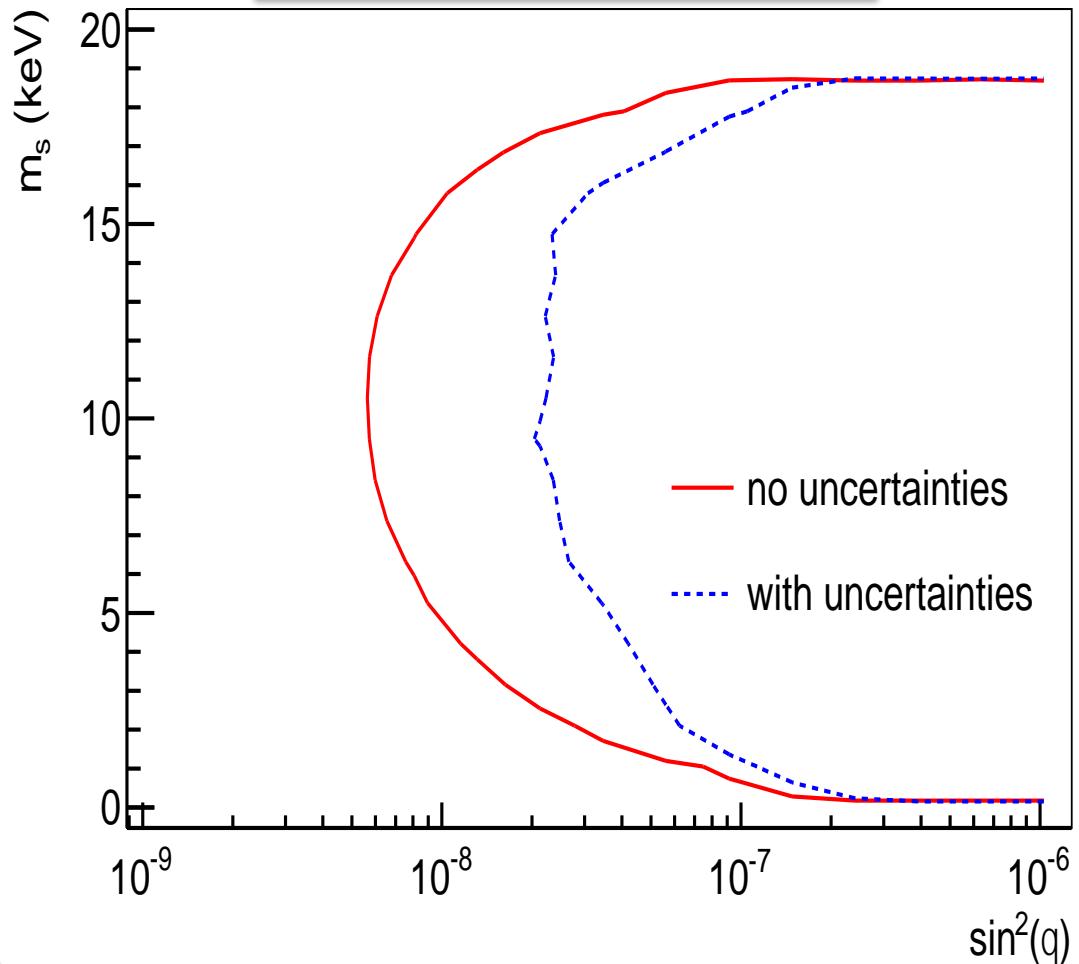
- promising **differential read-out** technology for kink-search:  
p-type point contact detectors  
(miniaturized from  $0\nu\beta\beta$ )  
↳ array with  $\sim 10^4$  pixels



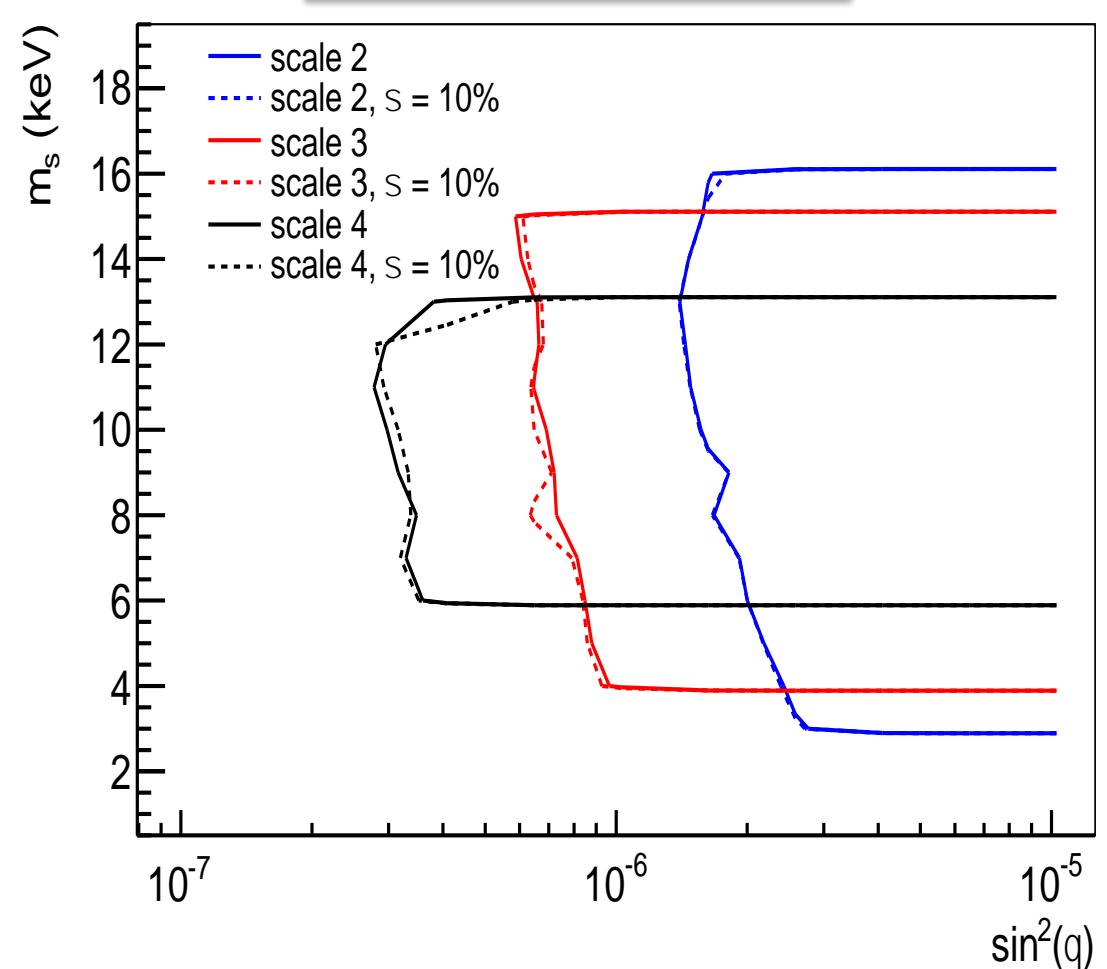
# Sensitivity studies (S. Mertens et al.)

- Investigation of theoretical uncertainties (state-of-the-art description of tritium  $\beta$ -spectrum) on spectral fit & novel wavelet transform (indep. of shape)

spectral fit approach



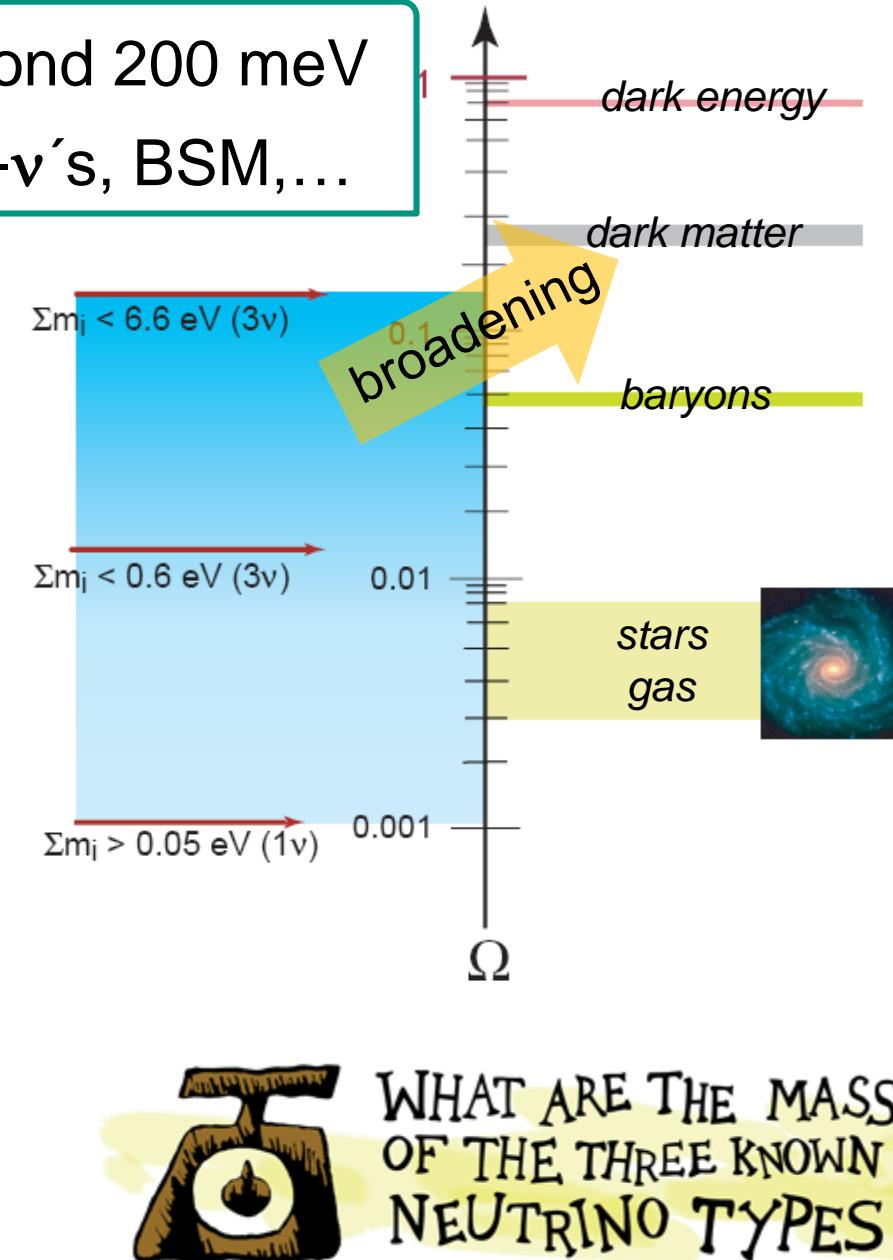
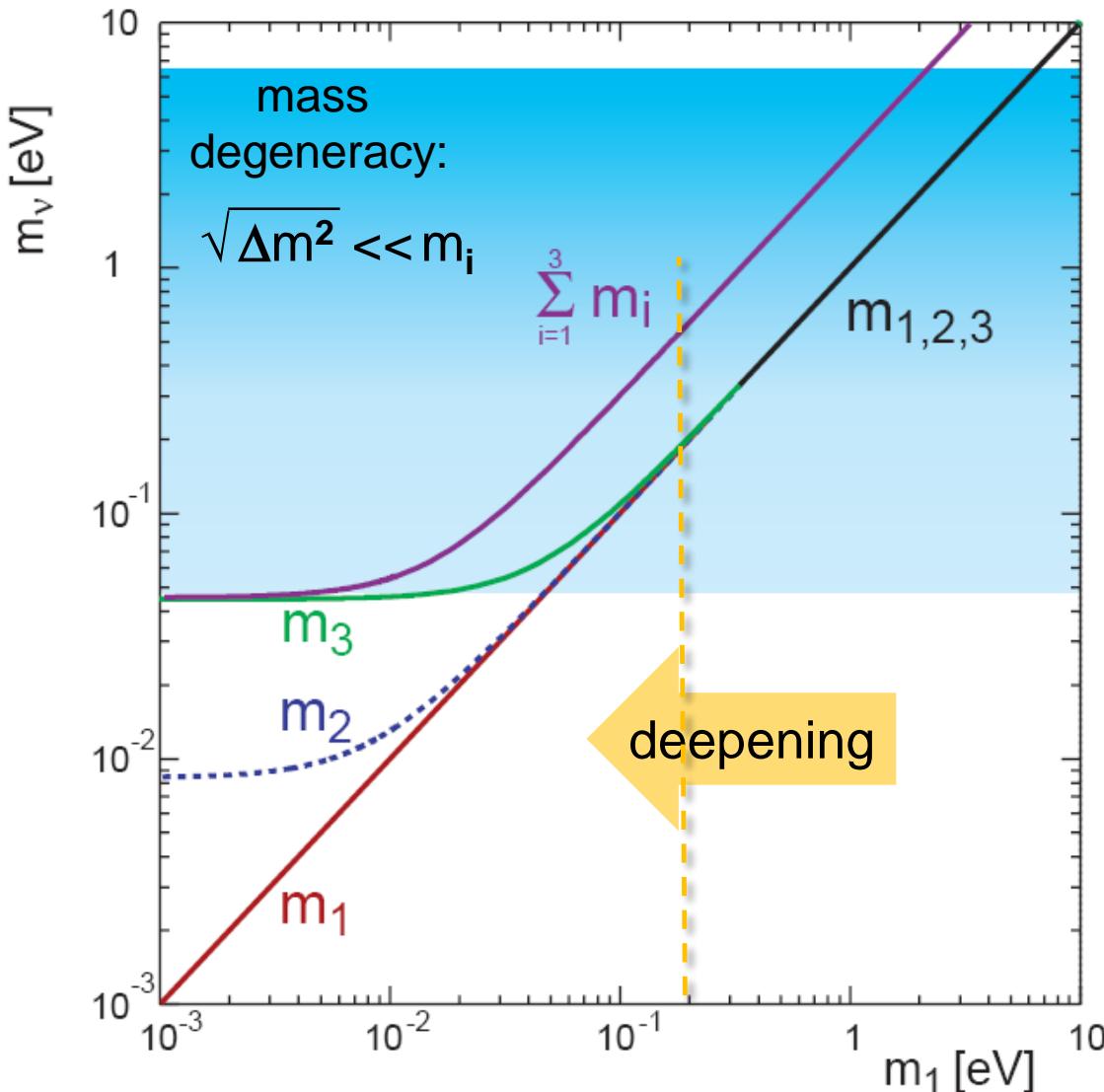
wavelet approach



# KATRIN long-term goals

**deepening:** explore mass regime beyond 200 meV

**broadening:** keV- $\nu_s$ , RH currents, relic- $\nu$ 's, BSM,...



# Conclusion

2015/16: integration of source components – lots of work to be done...

2016: initial runs as preparation of long-term data taking (2017-...)

R&D on detection of kink-like structure in T2  $\beta$ -spectrum

exciting times ahead in measuring neutrino masses from meV-keV