



# “Preglow” investigation in ECR discharge @ 37 GHz, 100 kW

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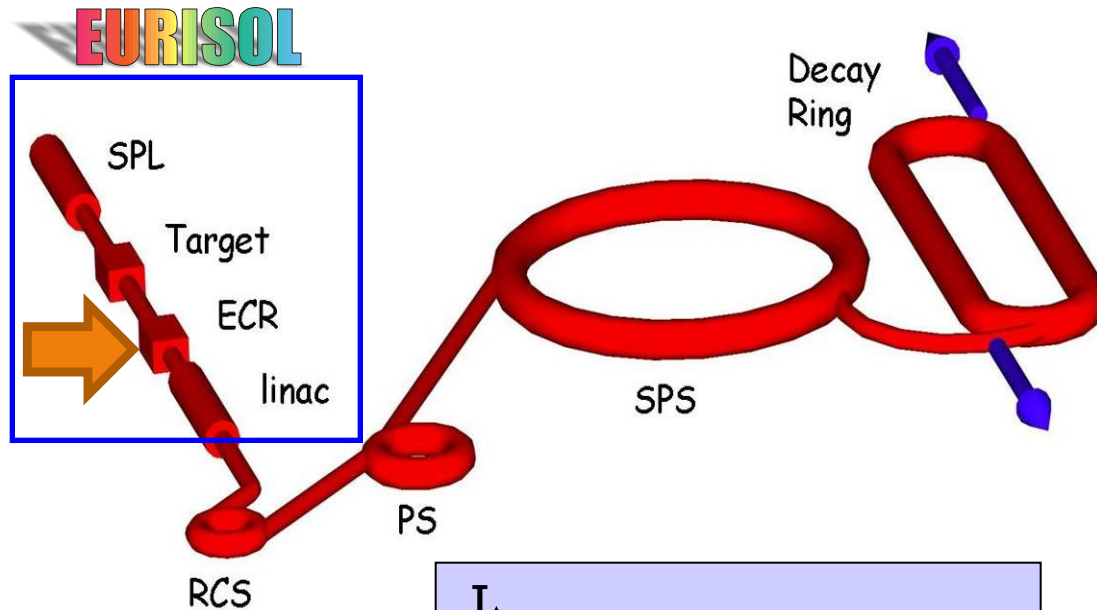
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# Outline

- Introduction and review of previous preglow investigations
- New experimental results @ 37 GHz
- Future plans

# Motivation: CERN Beta-beam and EURISOL

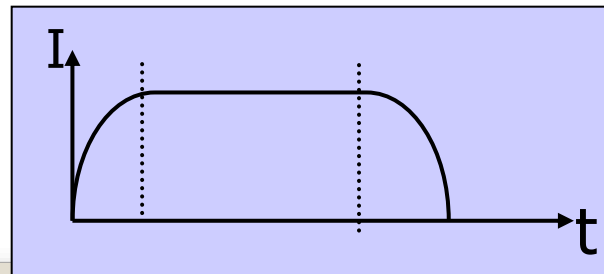
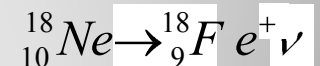
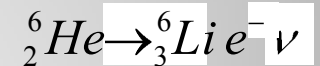
- Short pulse MCI source (20-100  $\mu\text{s}$ )



## Decay ring

$$B = 5 \text{ T}$$

$$L_{\text{ss}} = 2500 \text{ m}$$

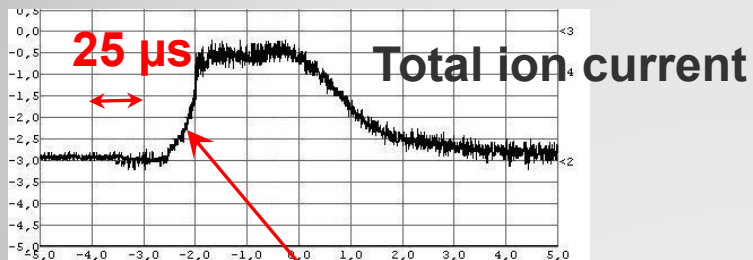


# Two ways of short pulse creation

Short pulse ECR Ion Source

Quasi-stationary generation of MCI  
(Quasi-gasdynamic Ion Source)

Nonstationary generation of MCI  
(preglow & afterglow effects)



**Rising time ~15 μs**

# Grenoble MCI sources, 28 GHz

Gyrottron  
10 kW@28 GHz

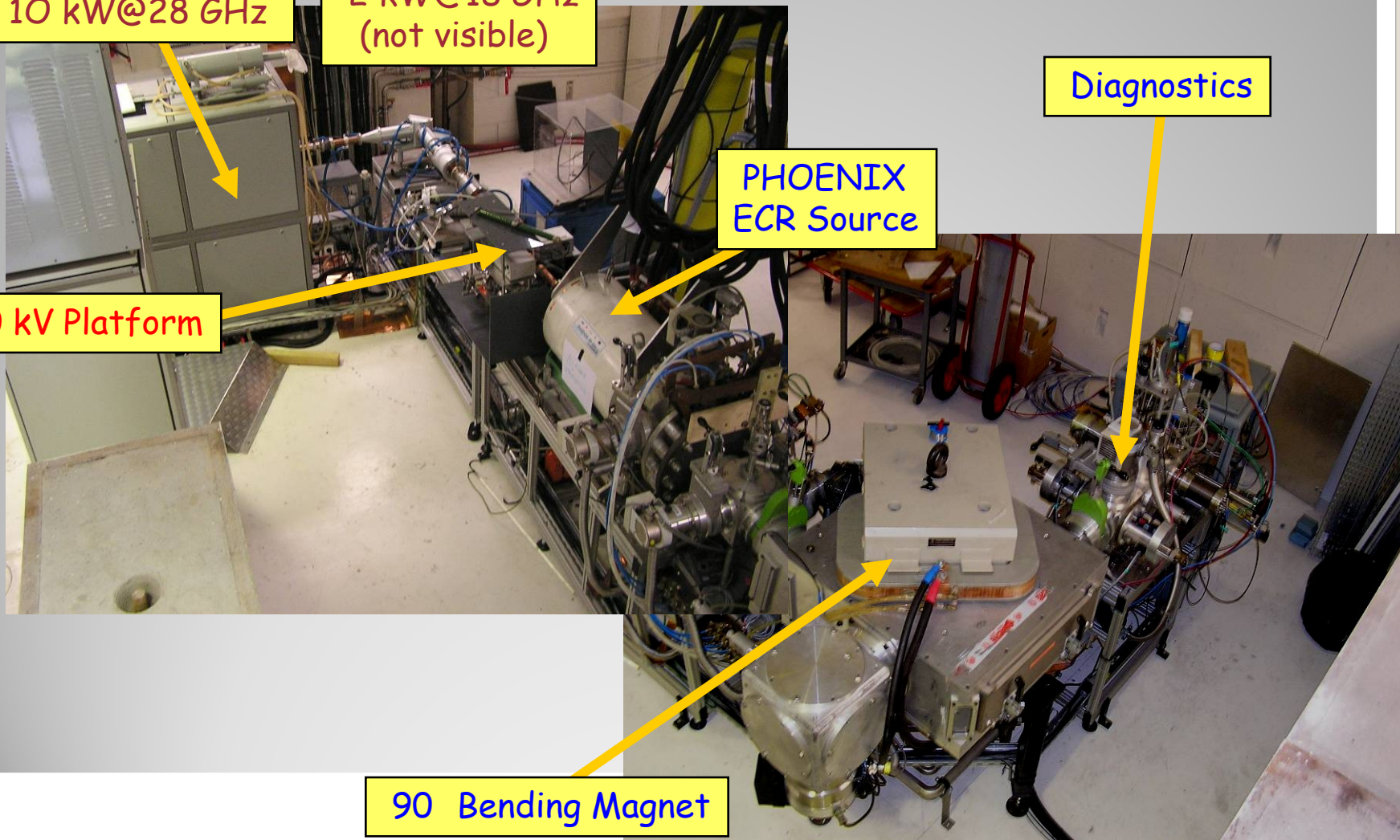
Klystron  
2 kW@18 GHz  
(not visible)

Diagnostics

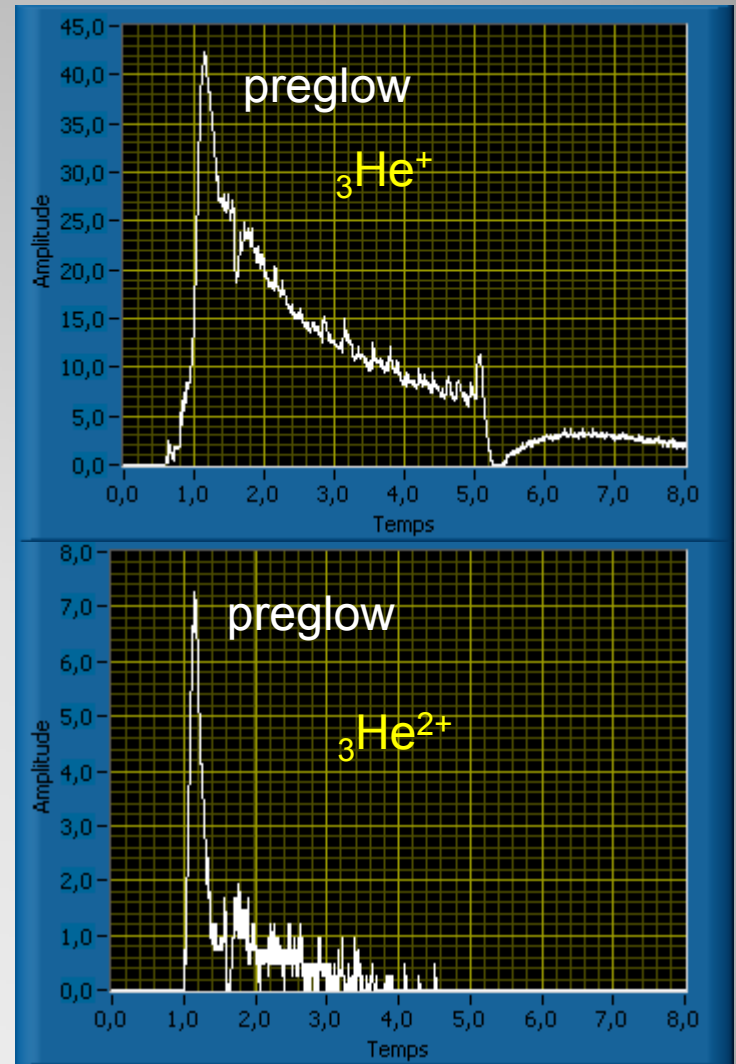
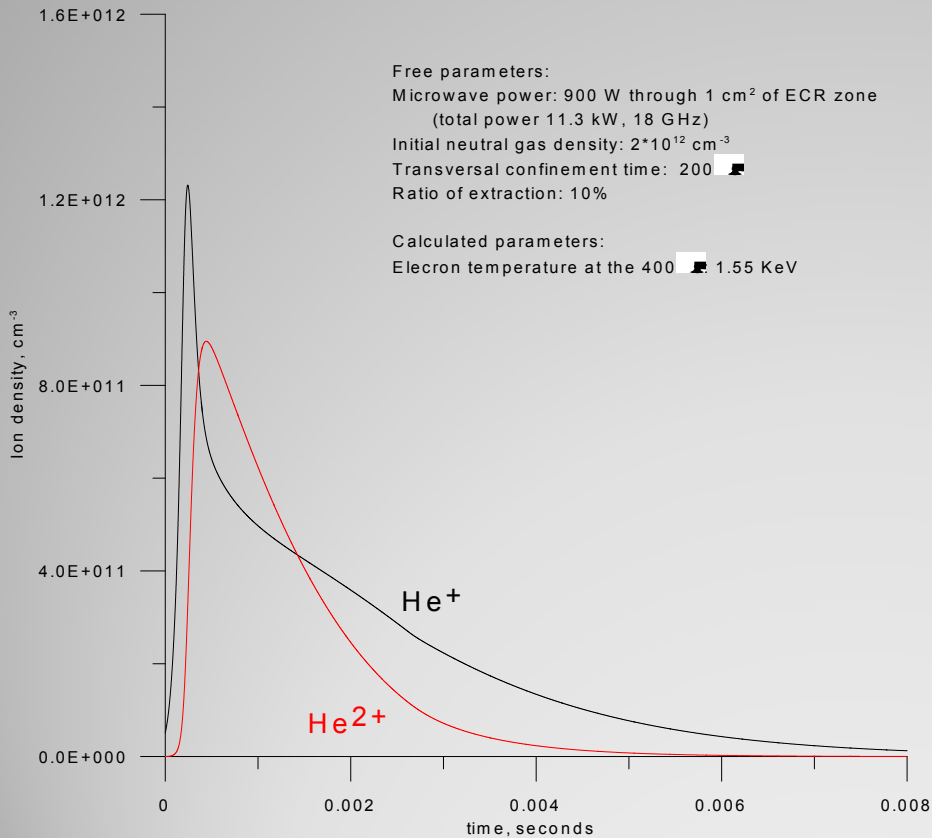
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ECR Source

60 kV Platform

90 Bending Magnet



# « Preglow » effect

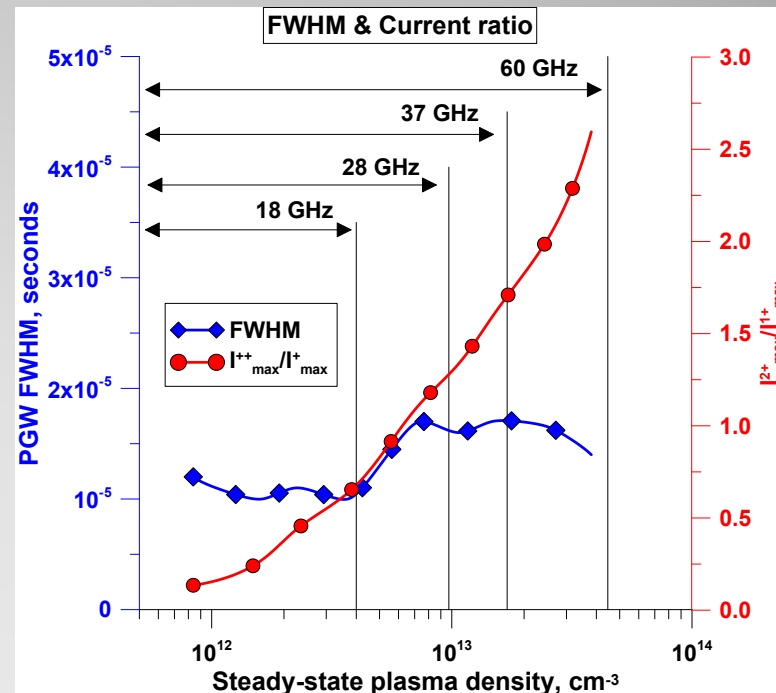
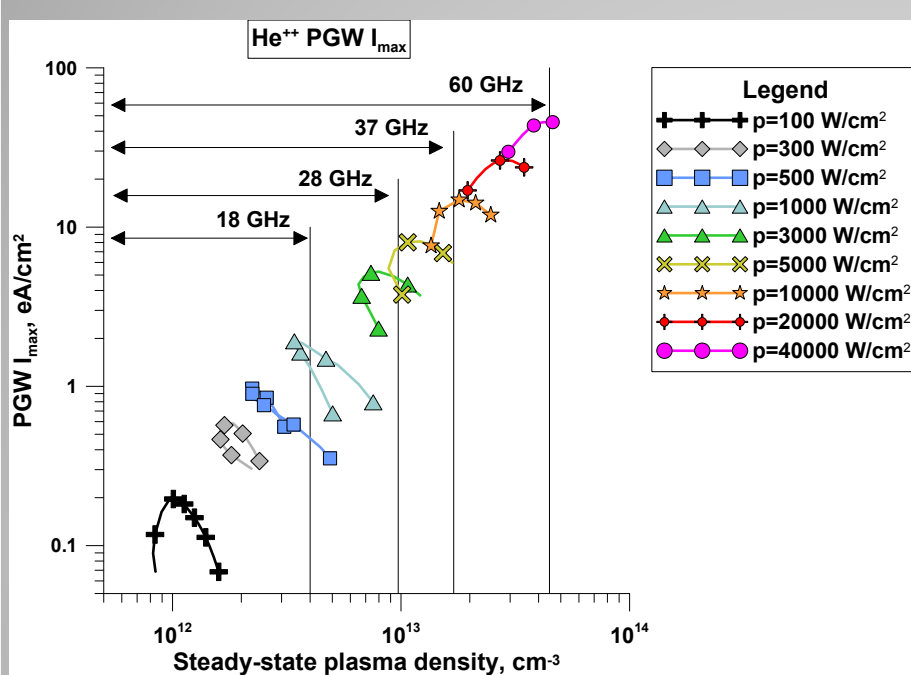


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## Experimental and theoretical investigation of Preglow in classical ECRIS

1. Phoenix 18 GHz, France, Grenoble, LPSC + IAP RAS, Russia.
2. Phoenix V2 28 GHz, France, Grenoble, LPSC + IAP RAS , Russia.
3. ECRIS, 14 GHz, Finland, University of Jyvaskyla (JYFL) + IAP RAS , Russia.

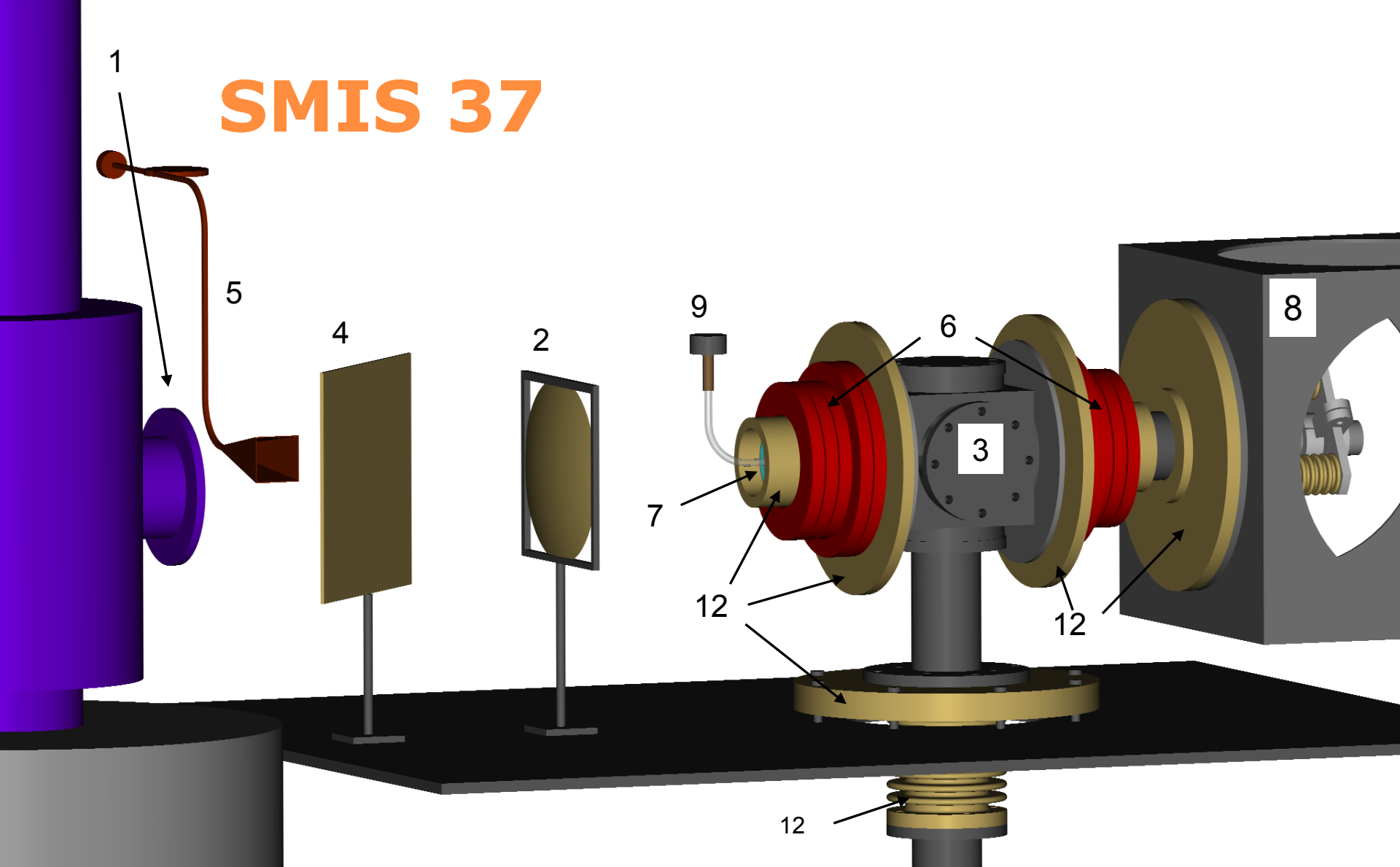
# Theoretical scaling for Preglow parameters



In short preglow peak effective generation of multicharged ions is possible under conditions of high frequency powerful heating

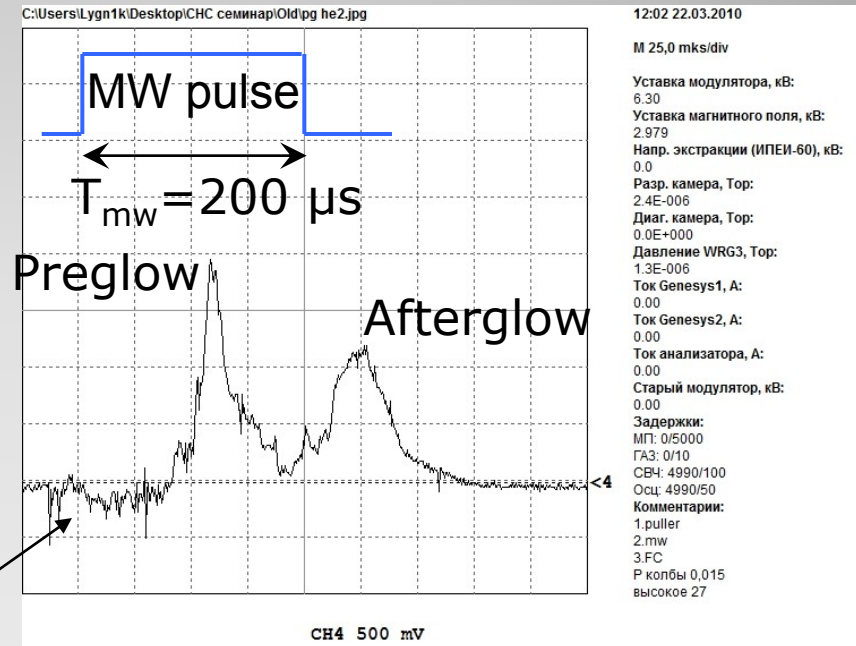
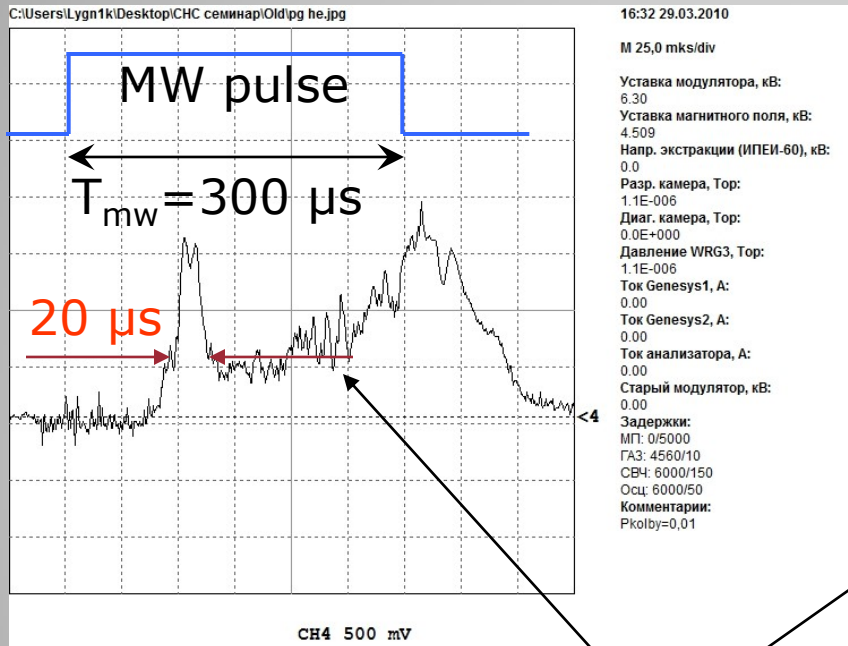


# SMIS 37



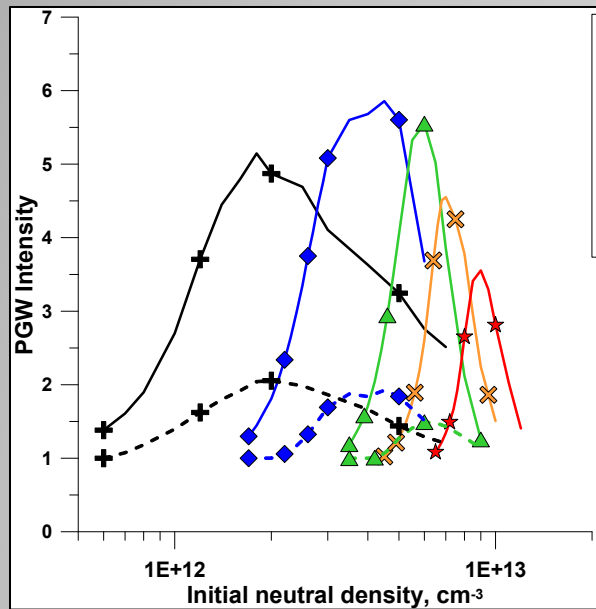
1 - Gyrotron (37.5 GHz, 100 kW), 2 – focusing lens, 3 – plasma chamber, 4 - coupler, 5 – MW detector, 6 – magnetic coils, 7 – MW quartz window, 8 – diagnostic chamber, 9 – pulsed neutral gas input, 10 – plasma electrode, 11 - puller, 12 – high voltage insulator

# «Preglow» effect @ 37 GHz

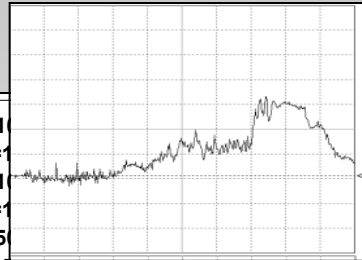


Total ion current

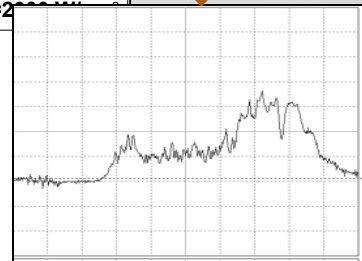
# Preglow intensity vs pressure



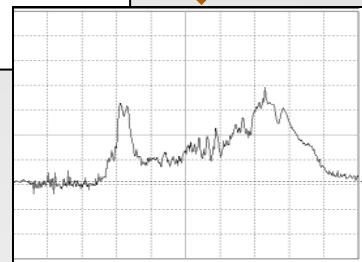
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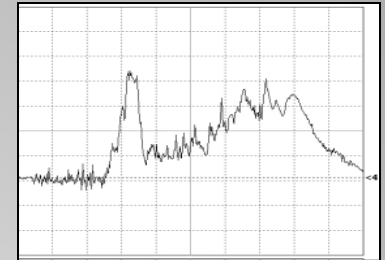
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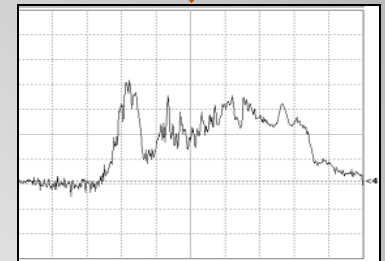
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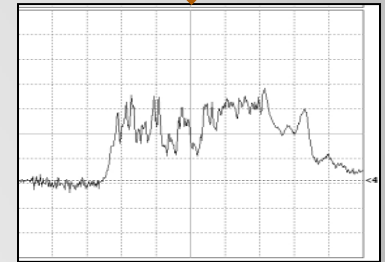
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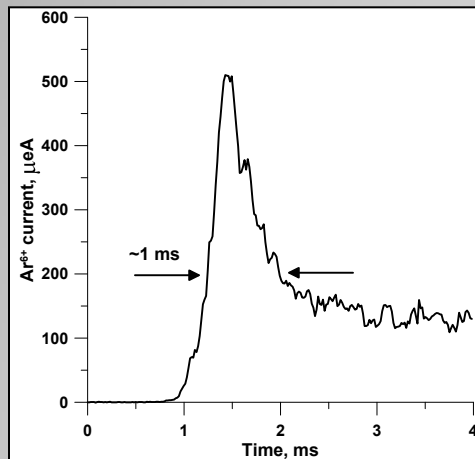
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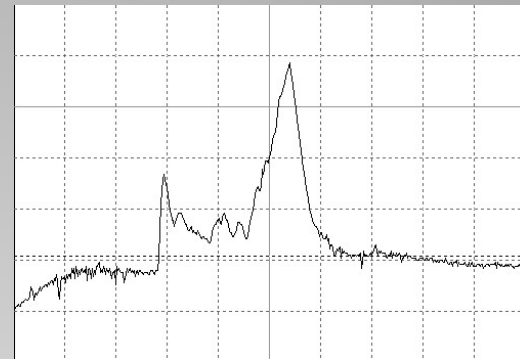


# Ion currents

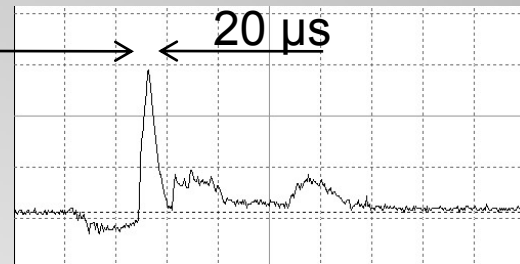


Preglow @ 28 GHz  
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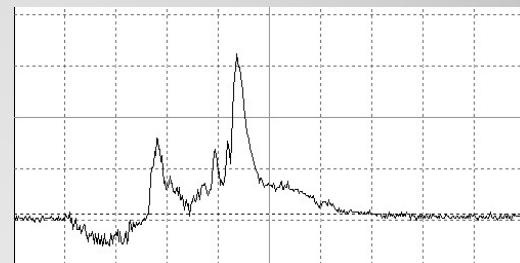
He<sup>++</sup>



N<sup>3+</sup>

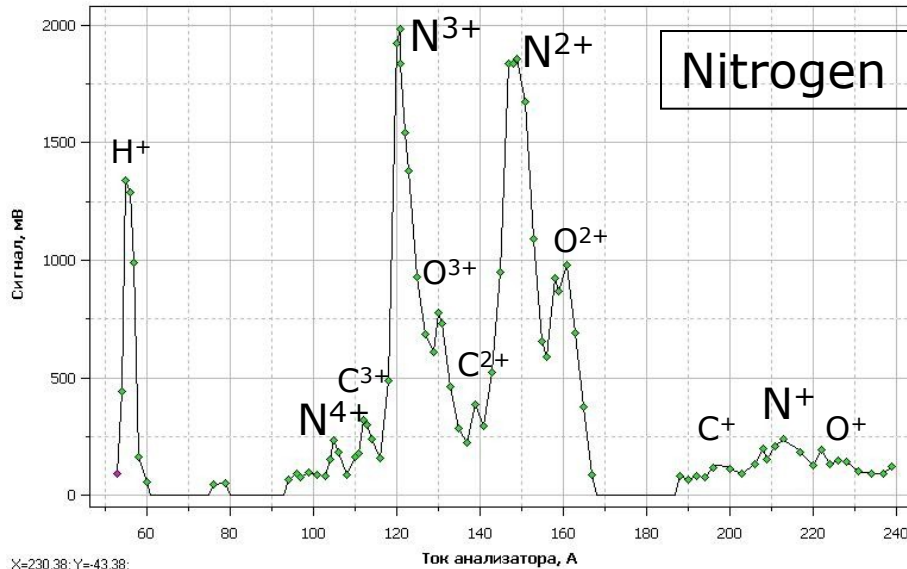


Ar<sup>3+</sup>



Preglow @ 37 GHz  
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# Ion charge state distribution in Preglow peak

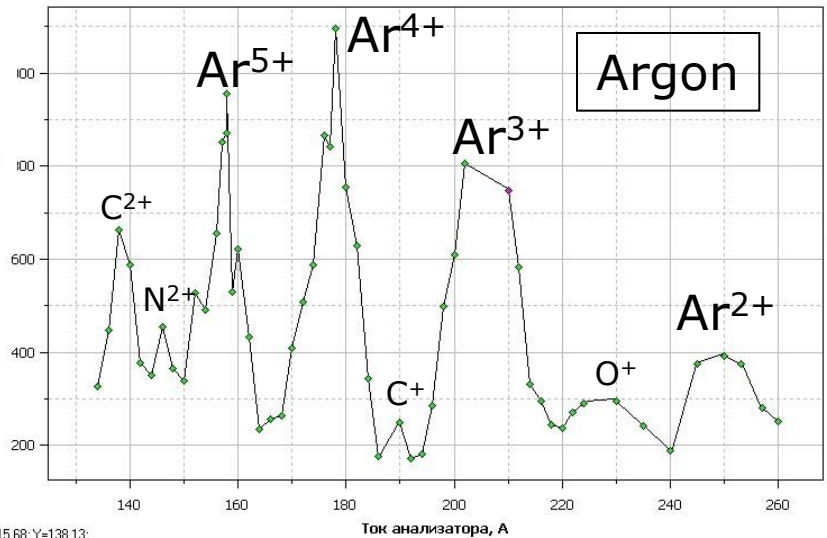


→ N<sup>3+</sup> maximum

X=230.38; Y=43.38

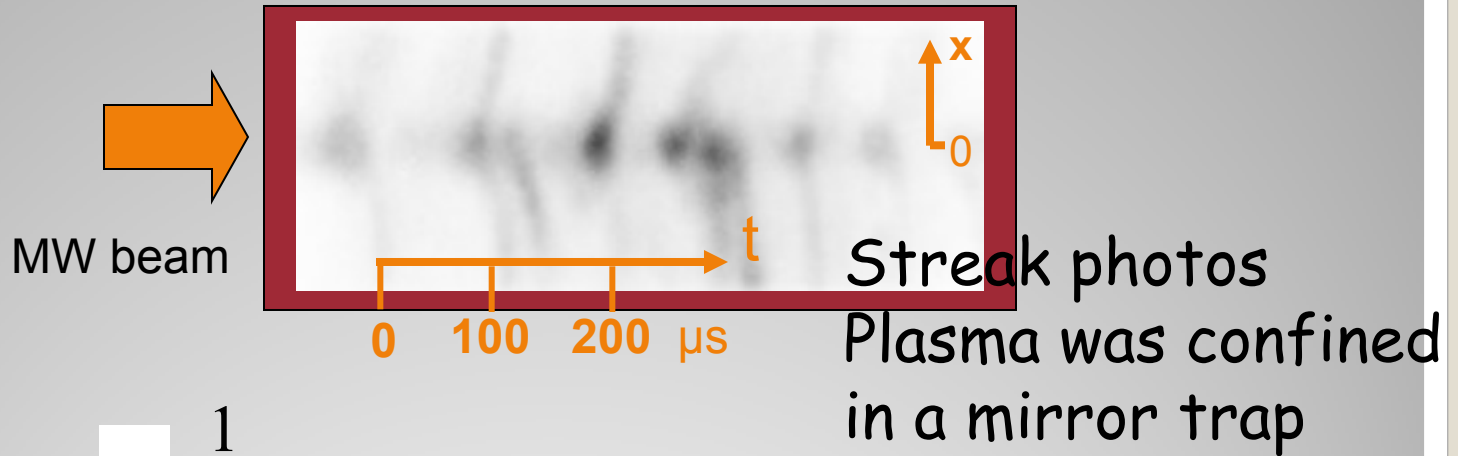
← Ar<sup>4+</sup> maximum

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X=215.68; Y=138.13

# MHD perturbations (long pulse)

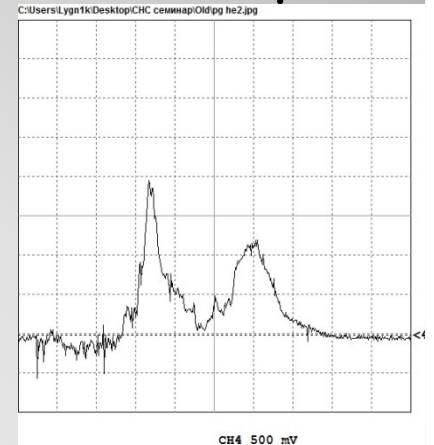


$$\tau_{MHD} = \frac{1}{\gamma_{MHD}}$$

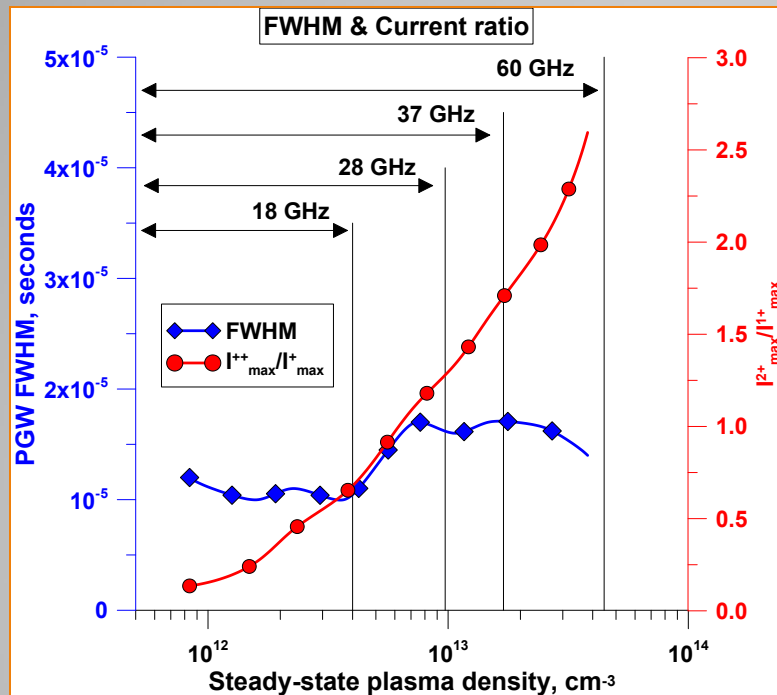
$\tau_{MHD}$  doesn't depend on electron density

T – decreasing with increasing of gas density  $N_a$

If  $T < \tau_{MHD}$ , we can forget about MHD stabilization  
about “min B”, about hexapole



# Prospects for improvement



14 – 28 GHz

Long duration + high charge

37 GHz

Short duration + medium charge



60 – 75 GHz

Short duration + high charge

# Future investigations

1. SMIS 75 @ 75 GHz
2. SEISM prototype @ 60 GHz  
(Sixty GHz ECR Ion Source using Megawatt Magnets)
3. Efficiency study



# Conclusion

1. Preglow could be observed in any kind of ECR ion source
2. Tuning of Preglow parameters is very complicated
3. Short Preglow peaks with high average charge could be produced