

A New Electropolishing System For Low- β SC Cavities

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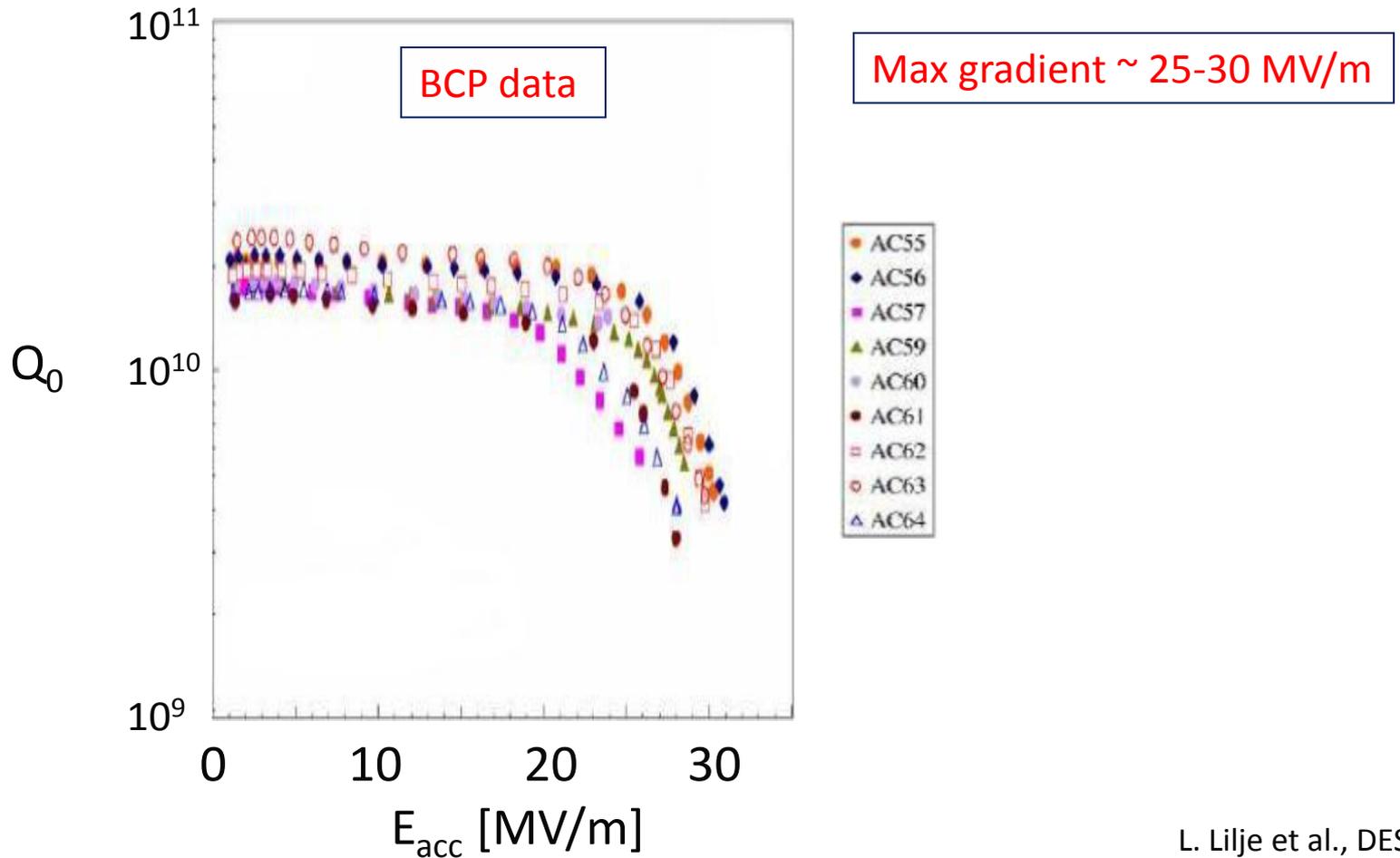
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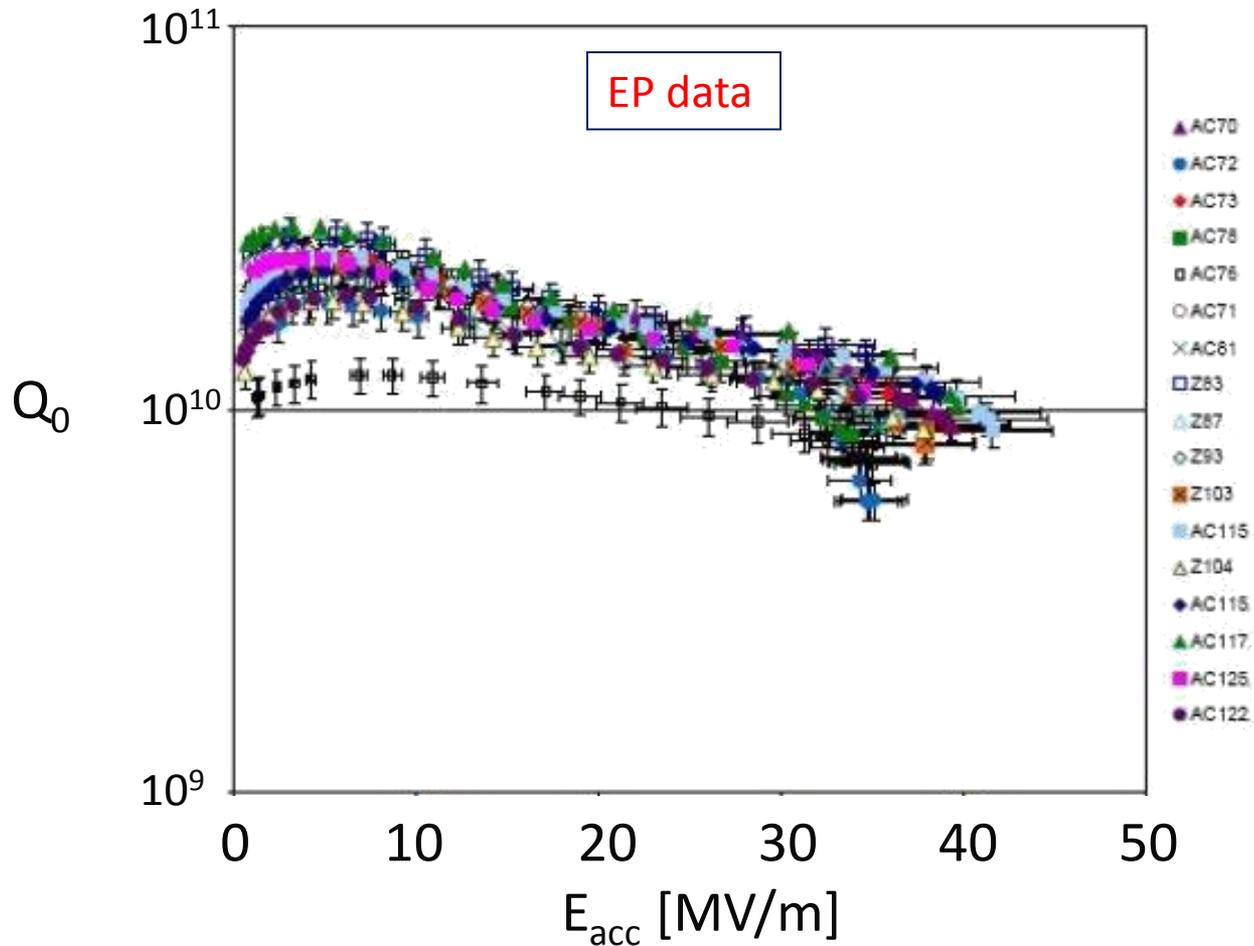


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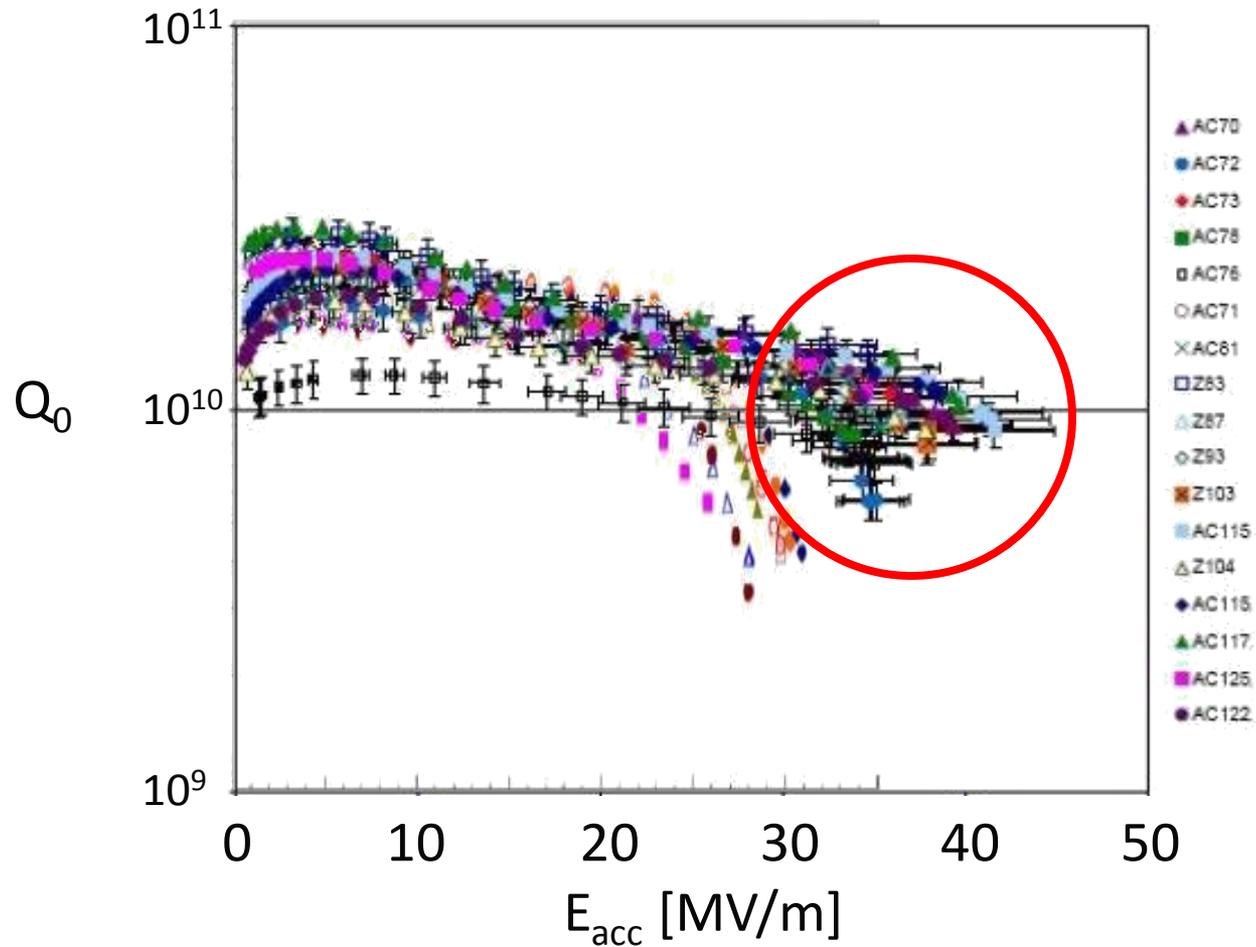
Max gradient $\sim 35\text{-}40$ MV/m



L. Lilje et al., DESY

BCP or EP

~20% higher than BCP



BCP or EP

- EP produces higher average gradients than BCP in elliptical cell cavities
- The effect is likely fundamental and similar for low- β cavities
- Other benefits:
 - EP can be repeated without making surface progressively worse
 - Offers long term cost benefit for next generation machines by maximizing real estate gradient

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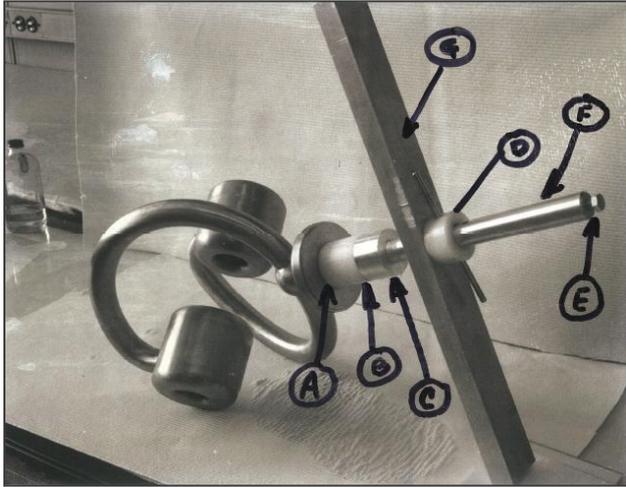
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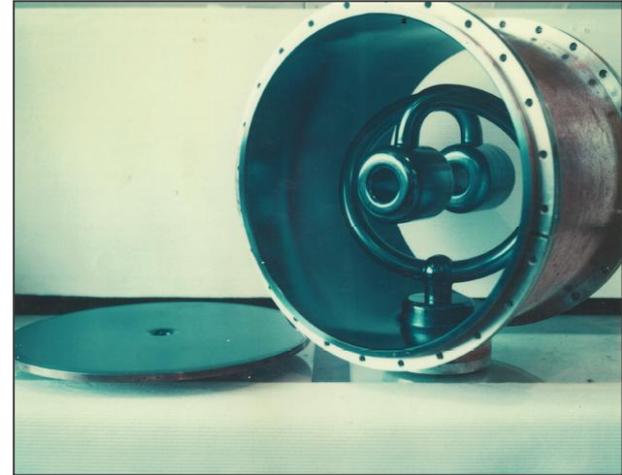
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EP at ANL



SPLIT RING – 1976



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TRIPLE SPOKE – 2004

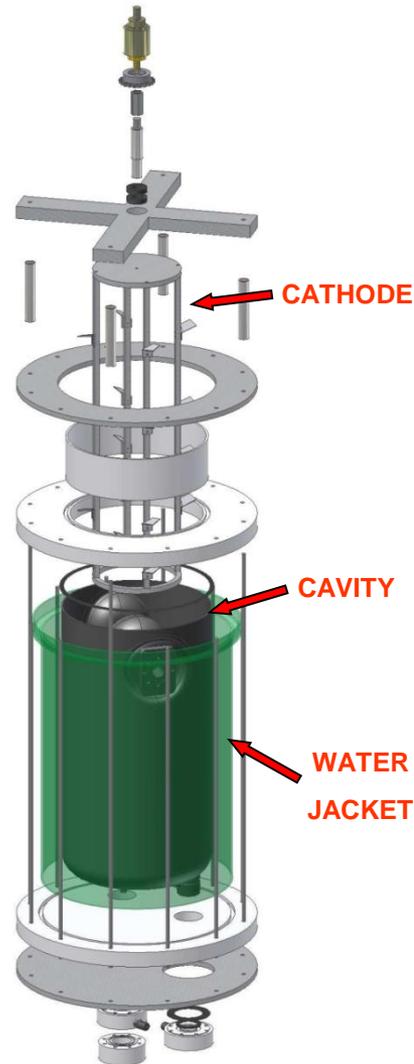
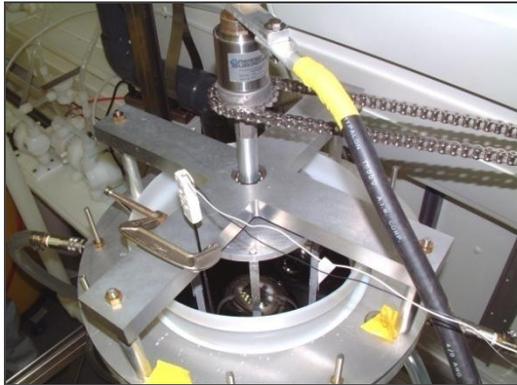


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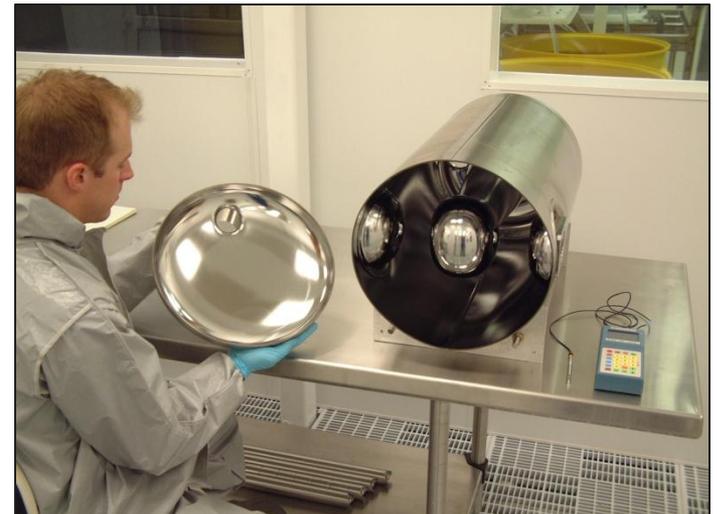


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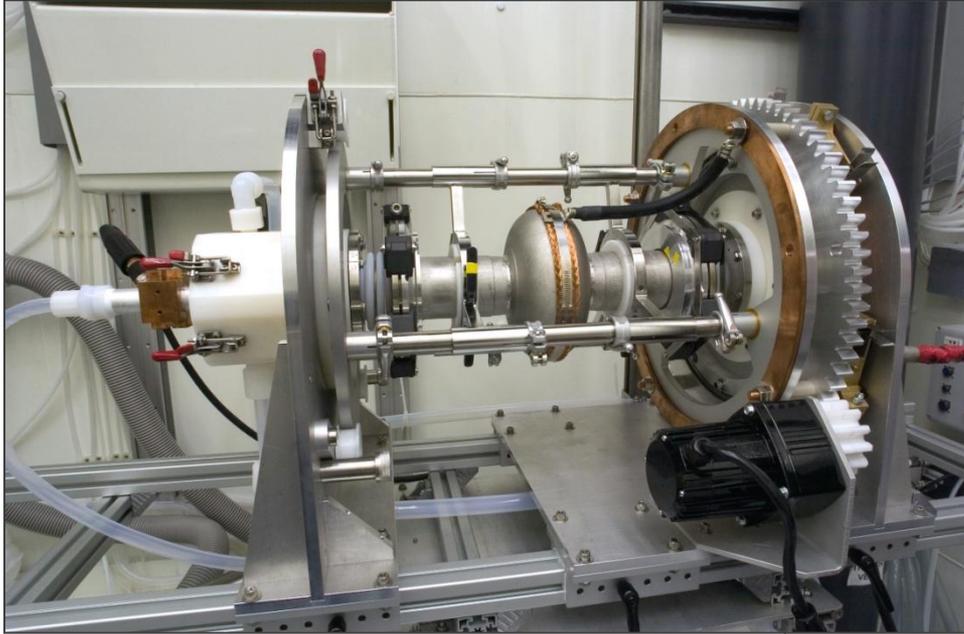
EP at ANL - ATLAS Energy Upgrade



- Unique cathode design minimized EP to only two major assemblies
- Integrated direct water cooling
- Still needed one final E-beam closure weld followed by flash BCP

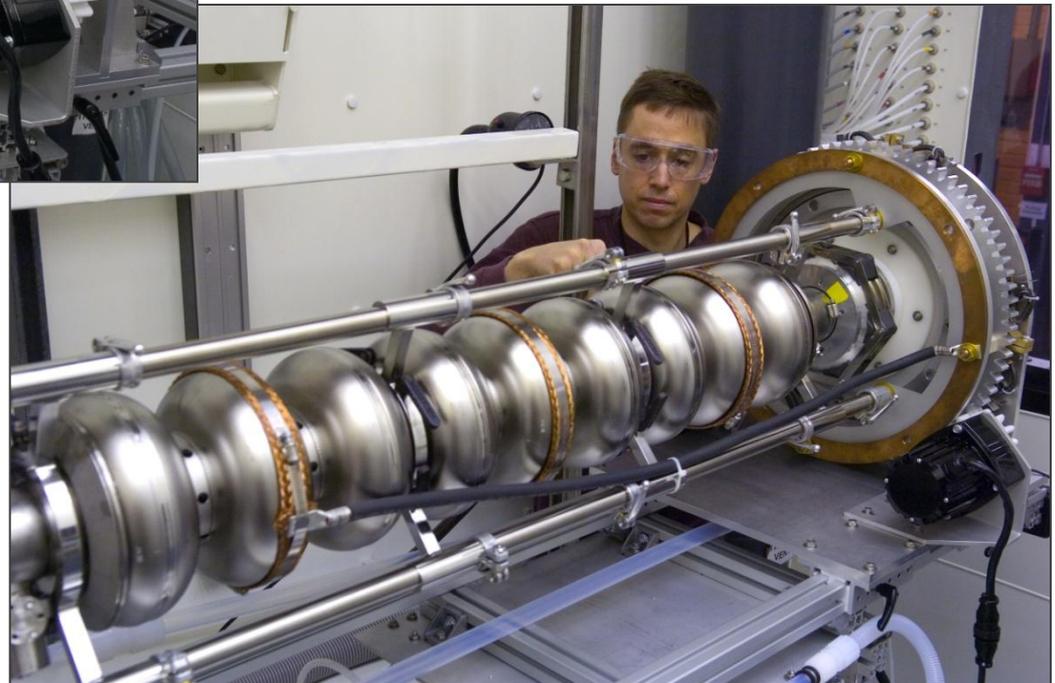


EP at ANL - Global ILC Effort

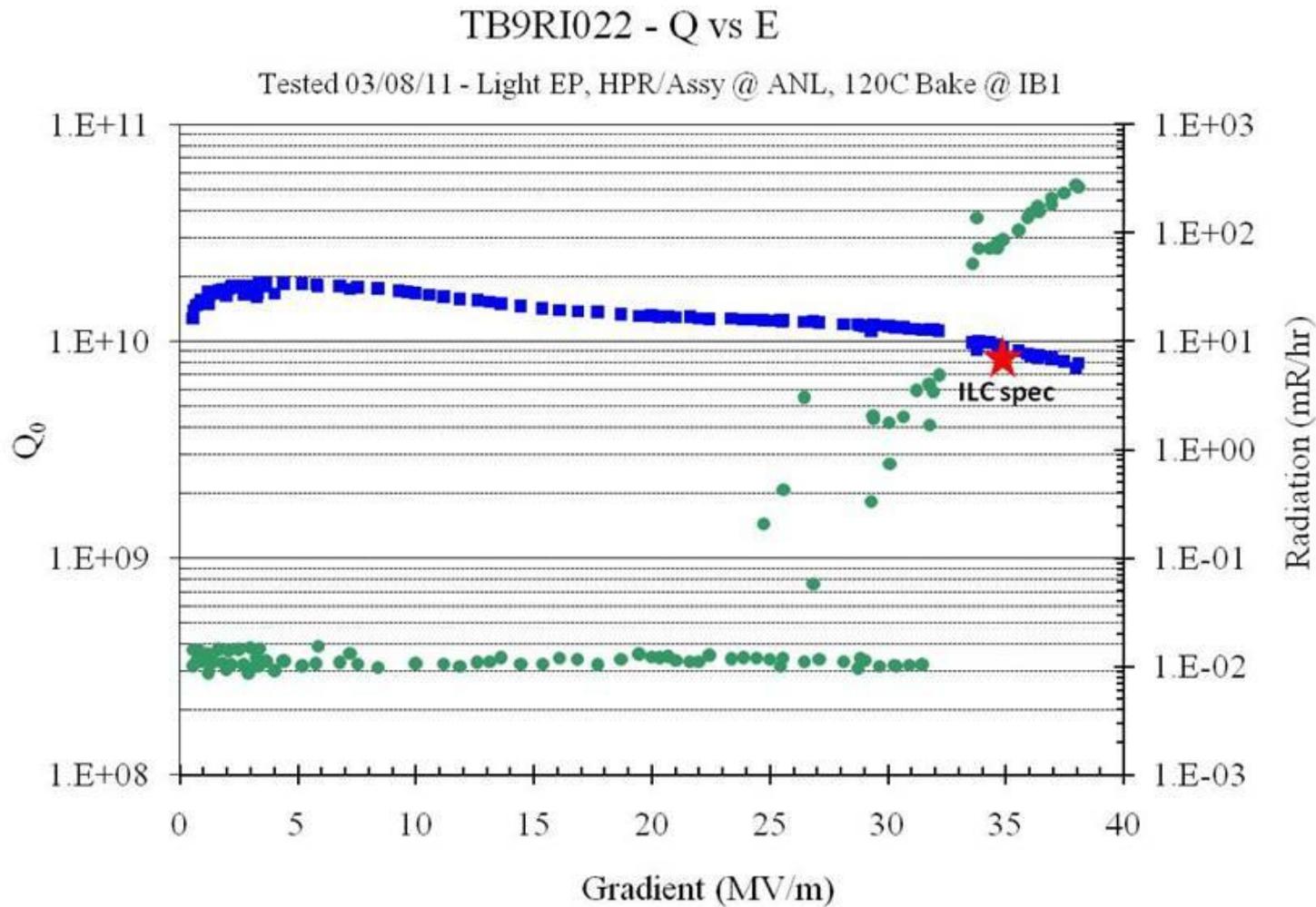


- Horizontal EP
- Teflon rotary lip seals
- Custom rotating copper/carbon brush electrical slip ring assembly
- Adjustable to allow EP of single to 9-cell cavities

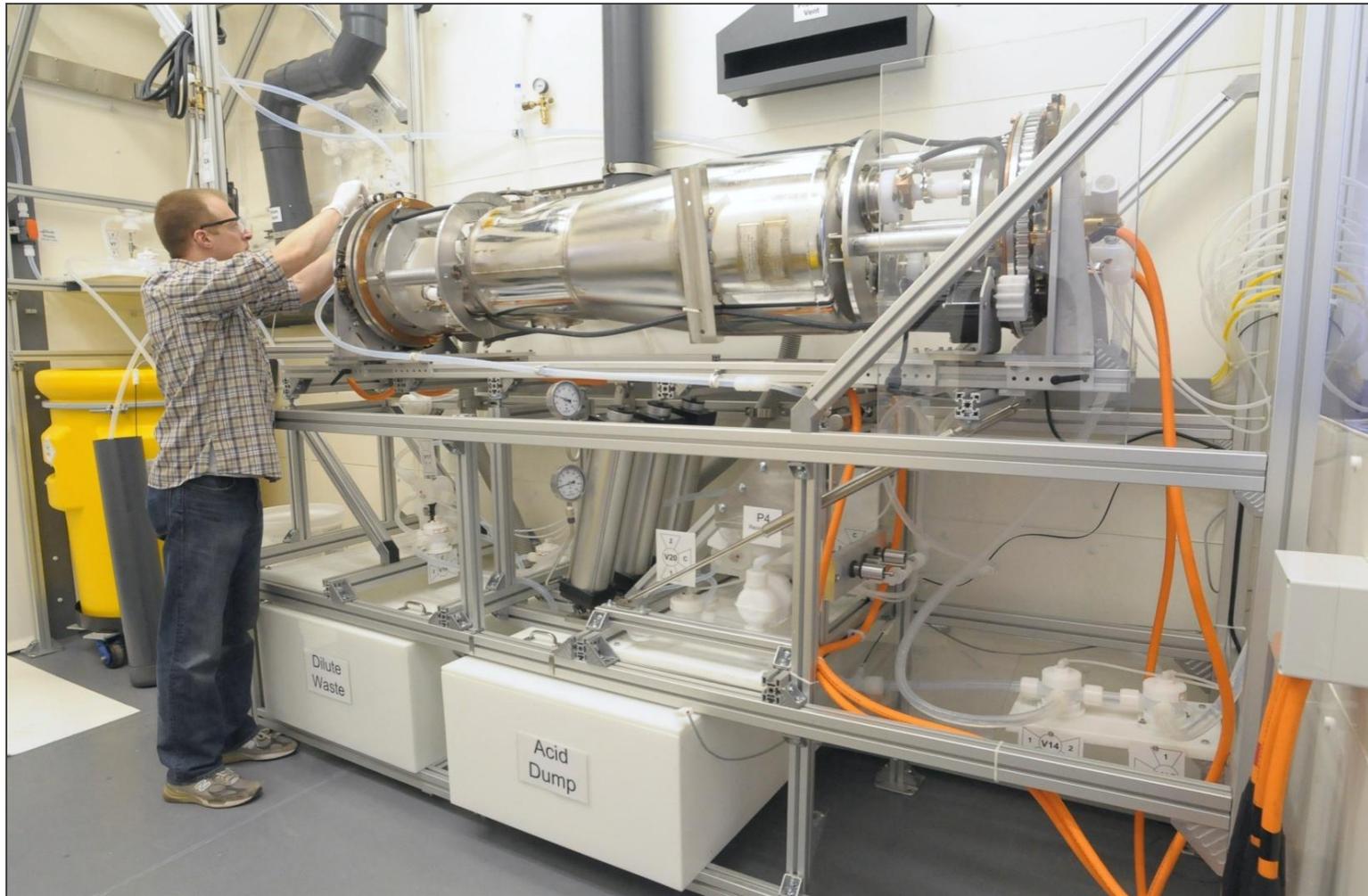
- Pivots to vertical position to drain acid and water rinse
- Continuous N_2 flow to evacuate hydrogen
- User friendly; short installation times
- Many good 9-cell cavities to date



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New Low- β SC Cavity EP Tool

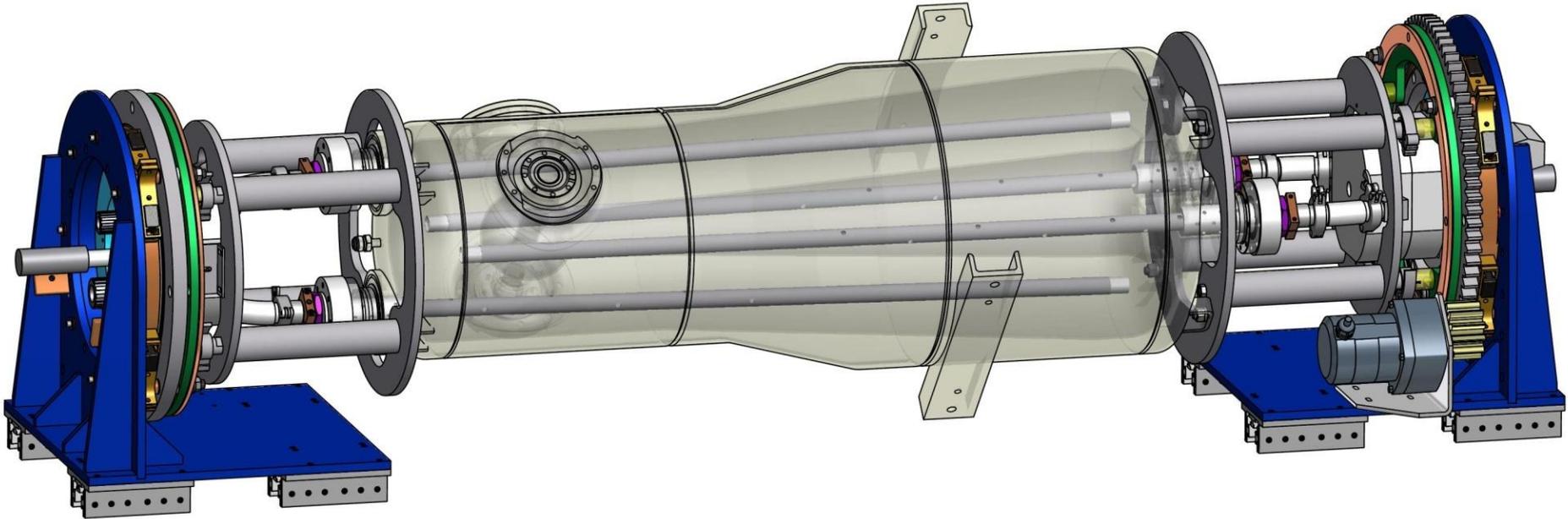


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Design Goals

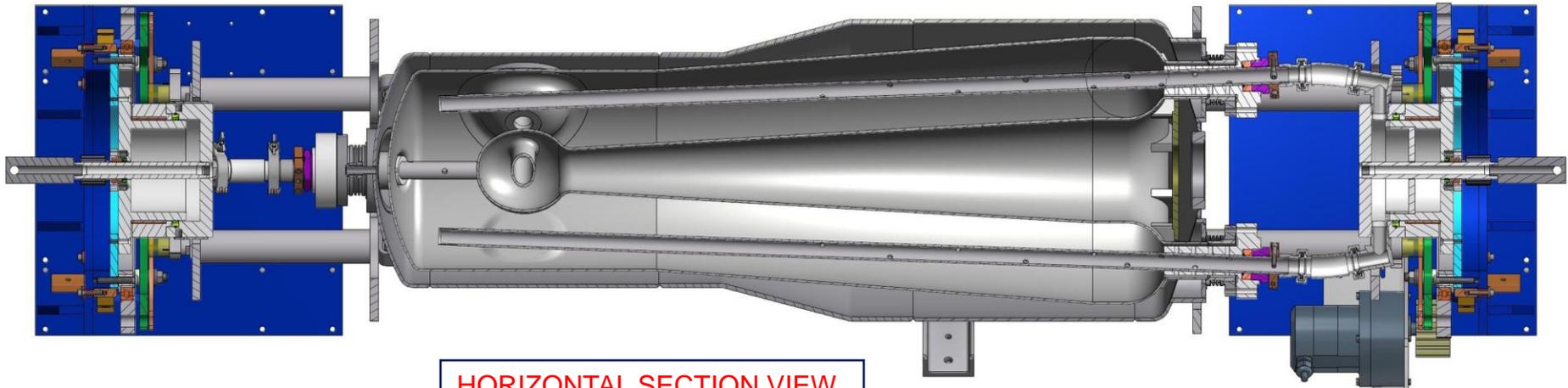
- Ability to EP a complete, fully jacketed cavity
- Direct water cooling through cavity LHe jacket (while cavity is rotating!)
- Two electrical slip ring assemblies to allow rotation of both anode and cathodes
- Enough cathodes to provide adequate polishing
- Cathode loading system to ensure correct cathode alignment inside cavity
- Ability to circulate acid during EP
- Nitrogen purge to evacuate hydrogen
- Within budget (yet still needs to work!)

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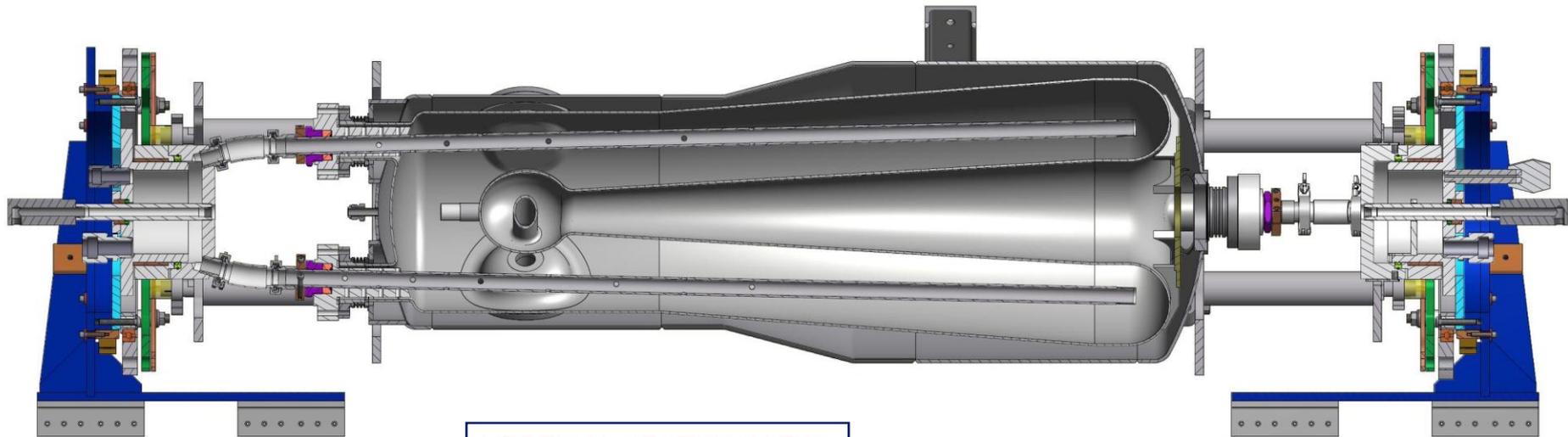


- Designed and built over 8 months for ~\$95k and with 4 man-months effort
- Four cathodes which are used to flow both acid and N₂ to evacuate H₂
- Cathode loading done via plastic port flanges
- Direct water cooling achieved by using rotary water feedthroughs and Teflon lip seals
- Load/unload time is ~ 1 hour

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HORIZONTAL SECTION VIEW

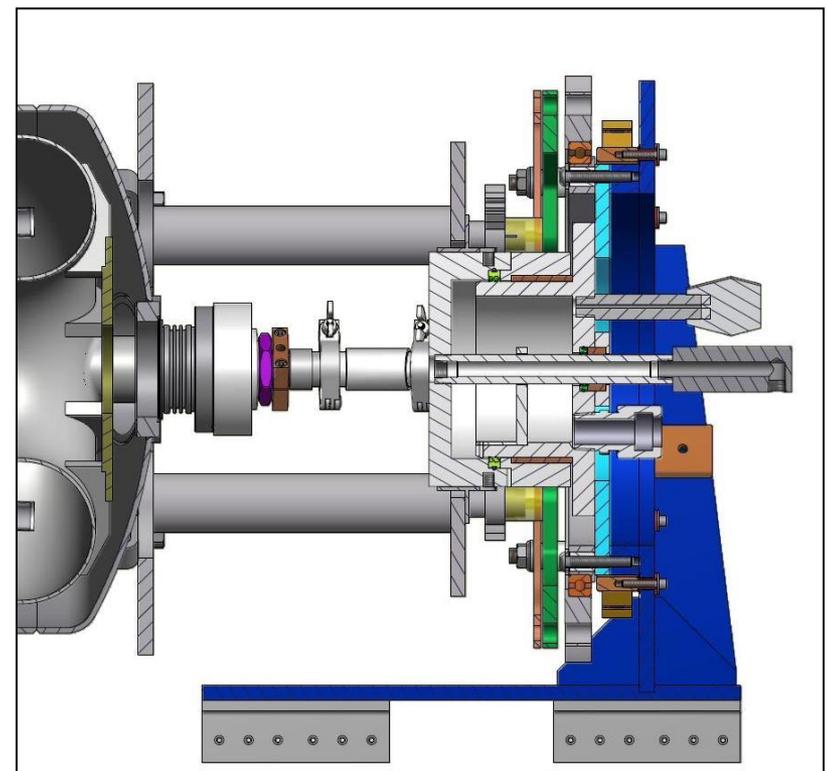
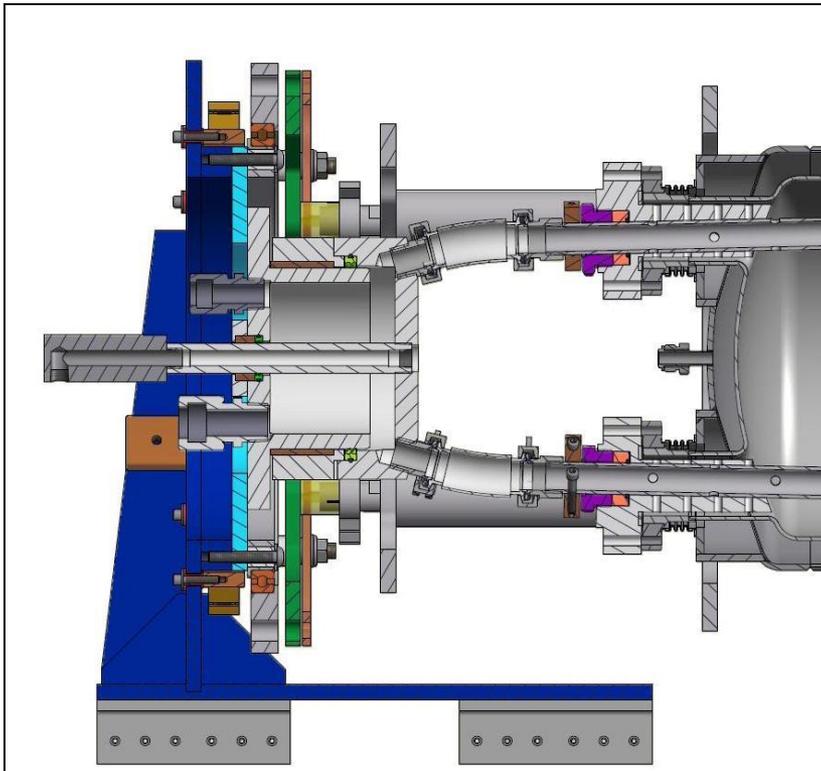


VERTICAL SECTION VIEW



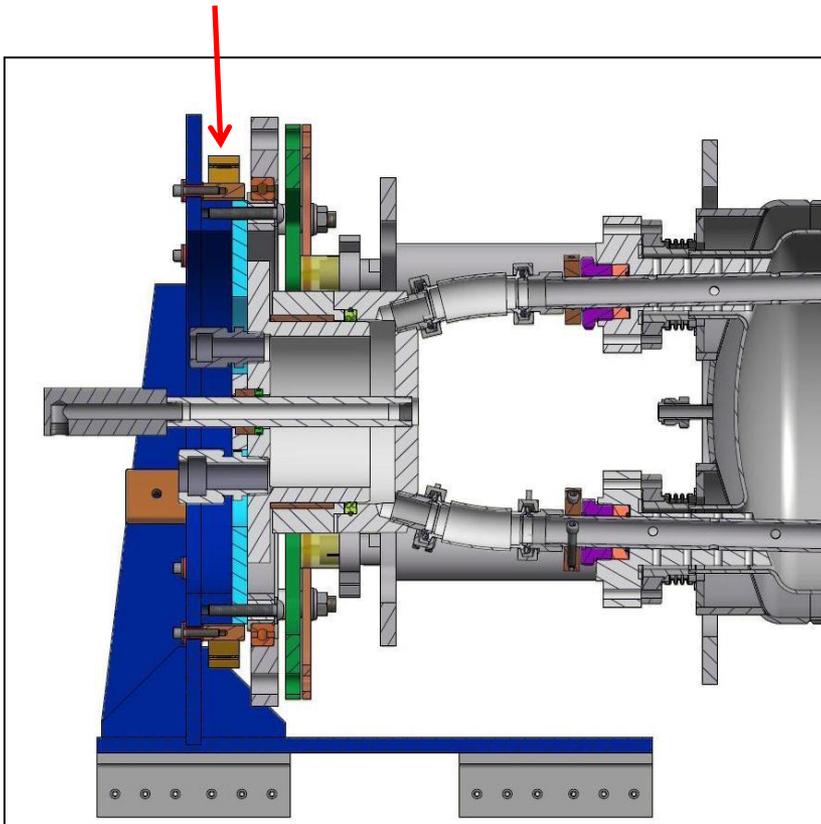
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- All acid wetted parts are made from HDPE, UHMWPE, Teflon, Viton, and 3003 series aluminum
- “Bookends” and end groups share many of the same parts

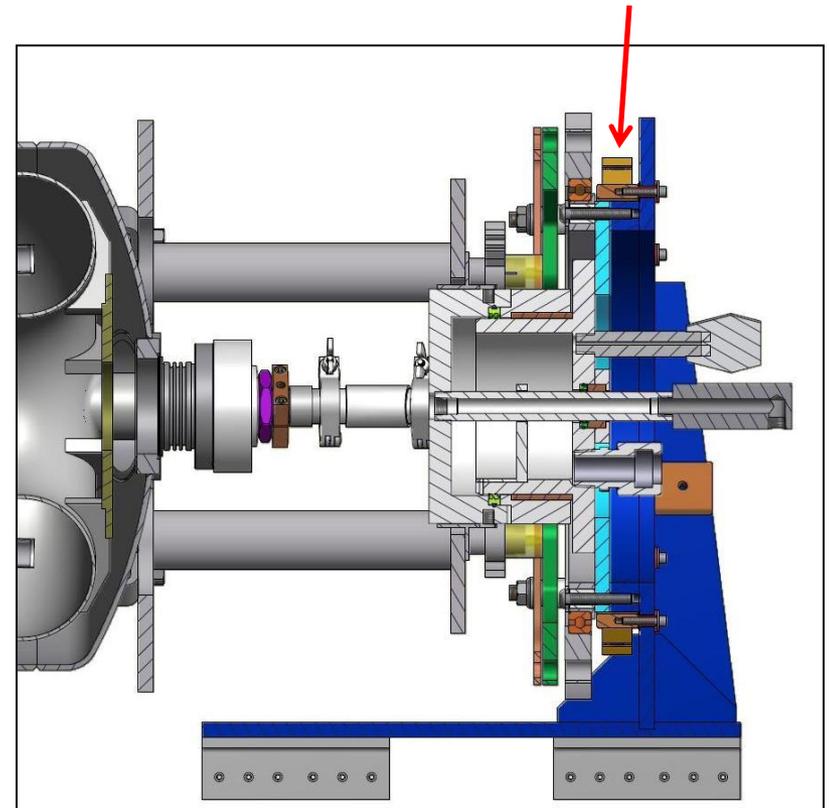


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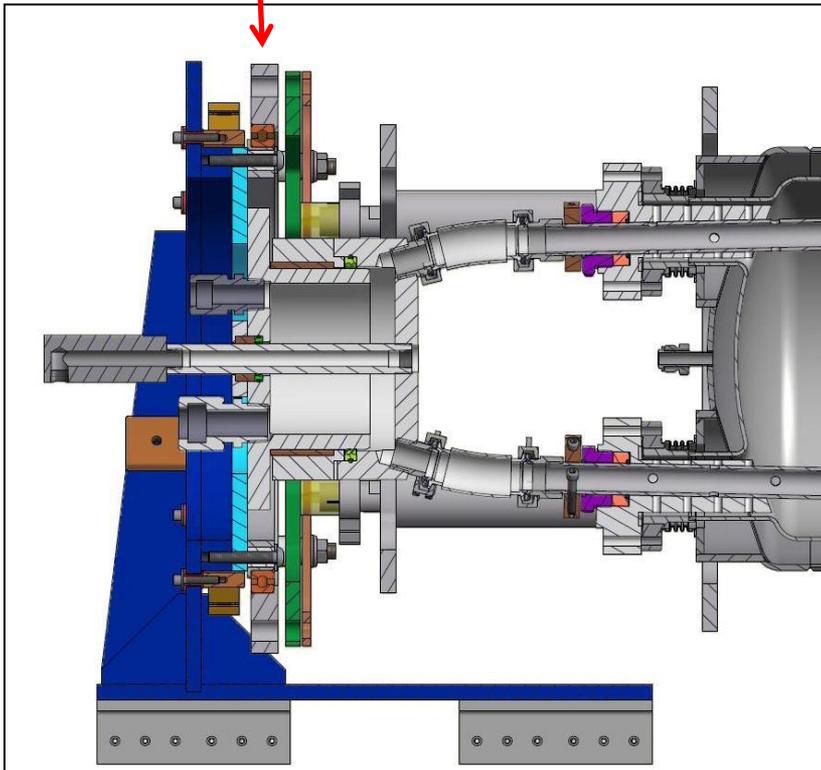


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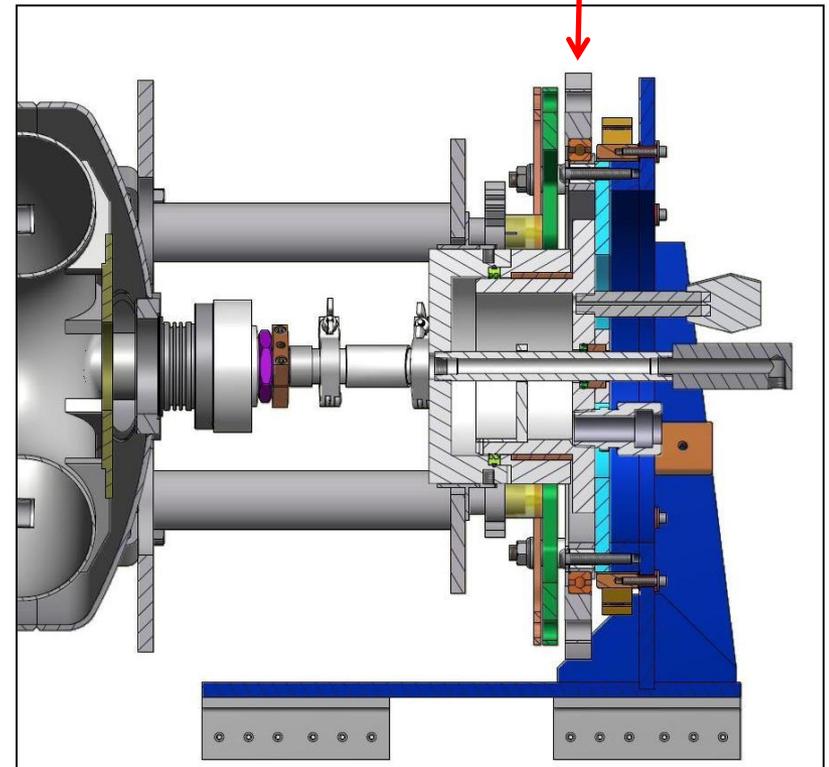


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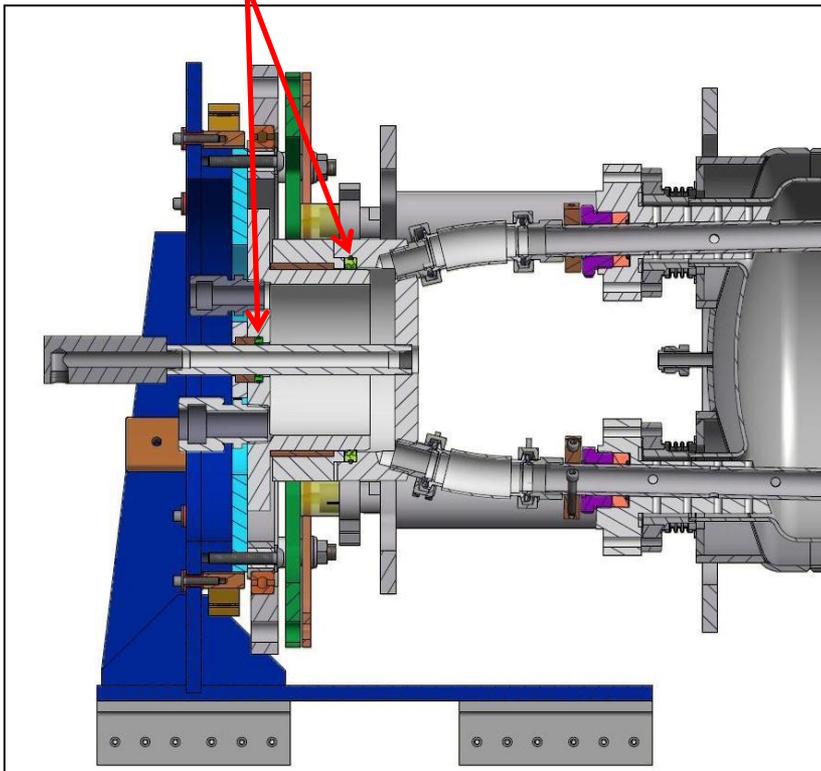


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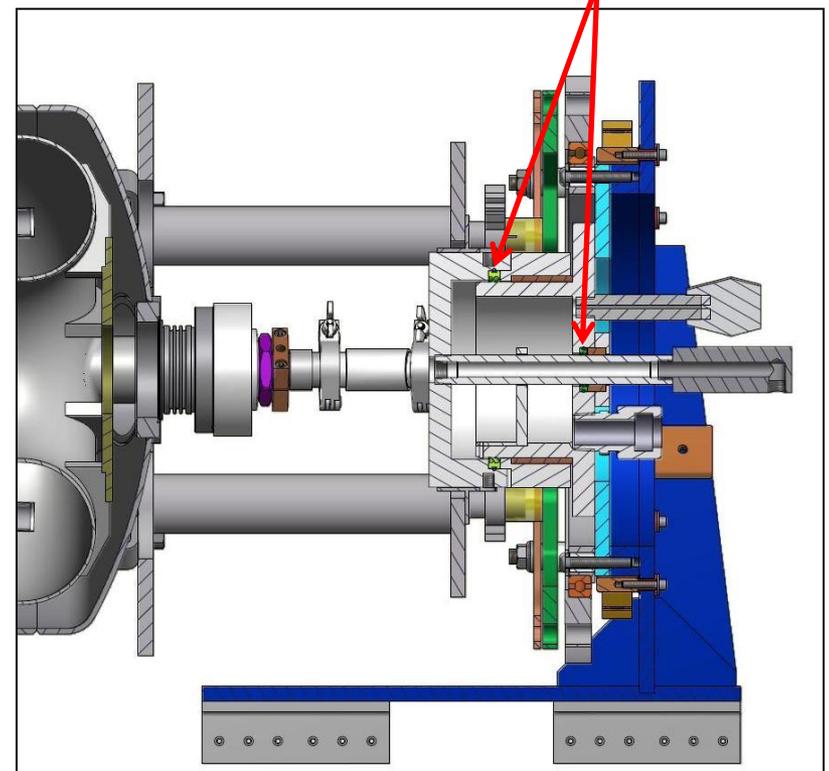


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TEFLON LIP SEALS

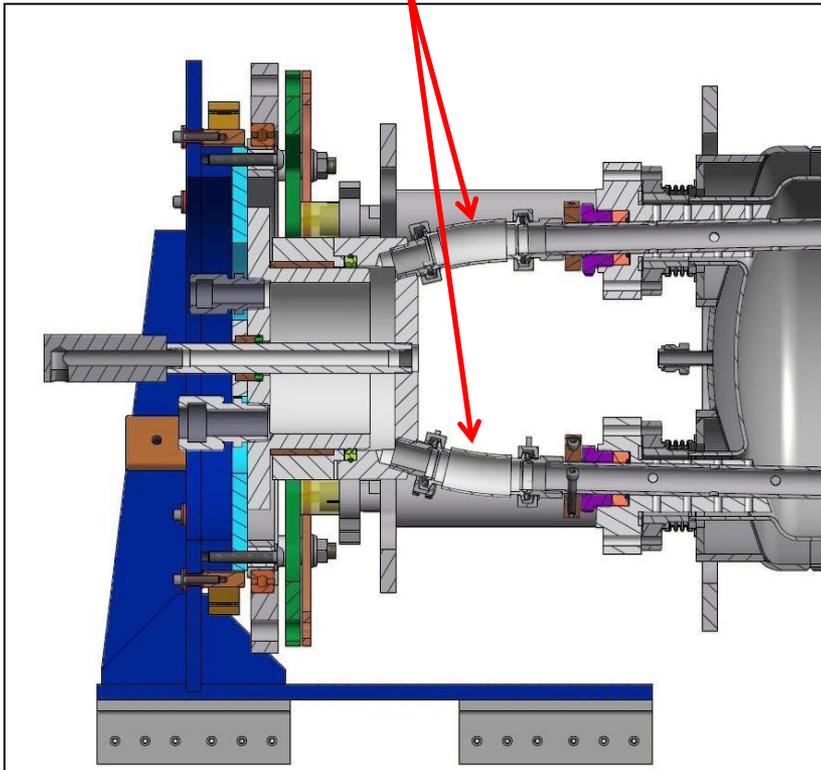


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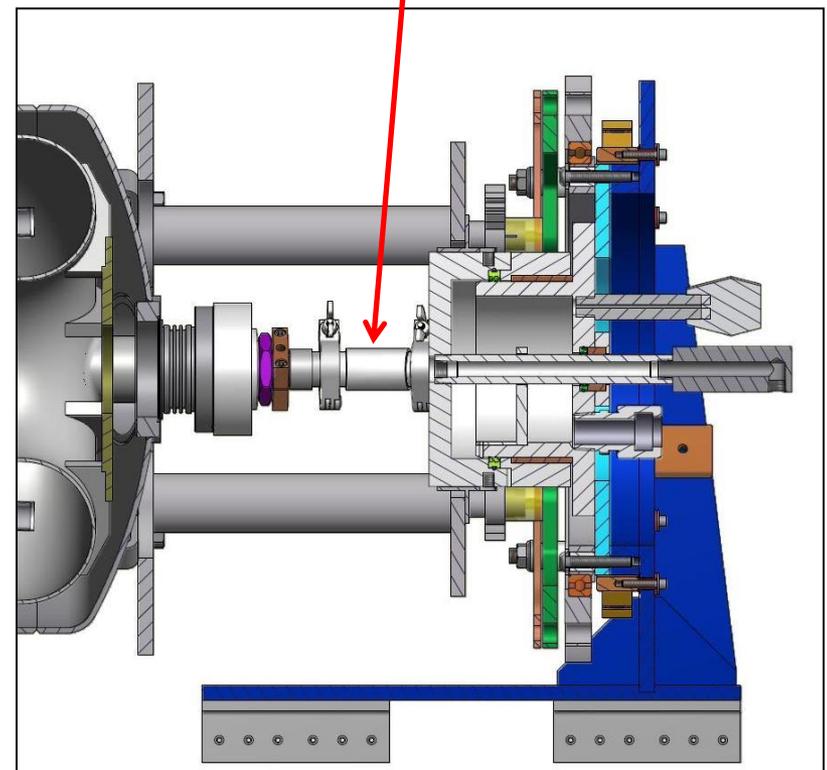


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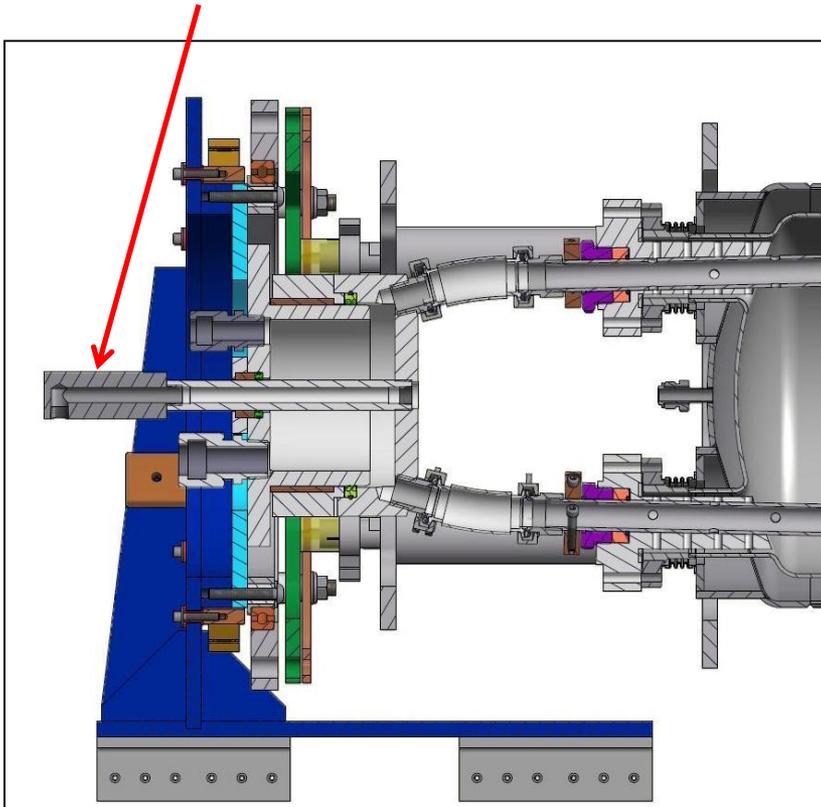


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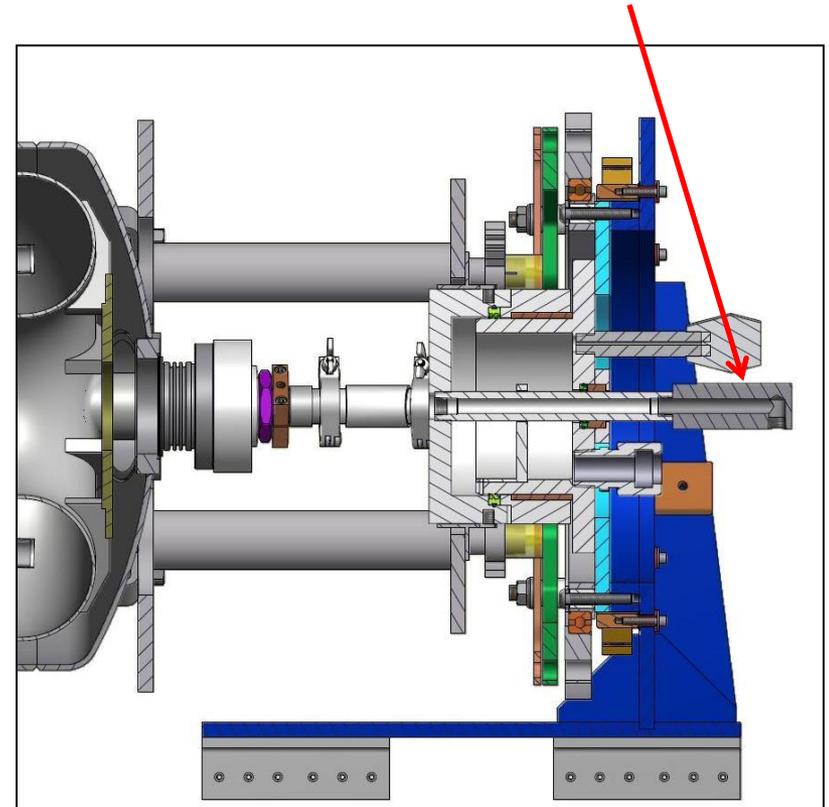


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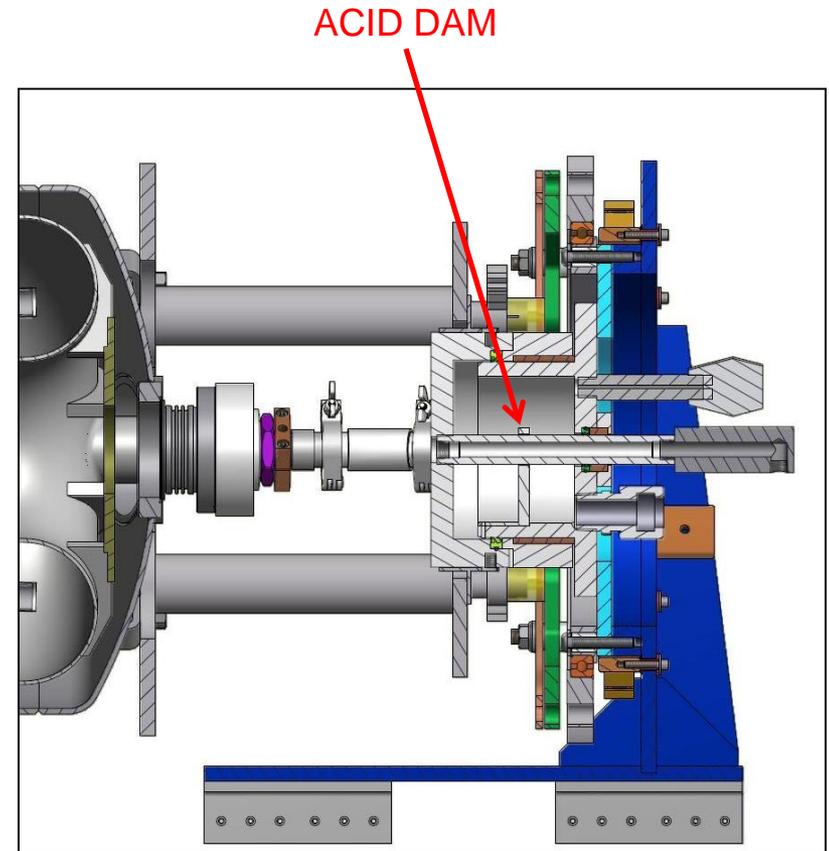
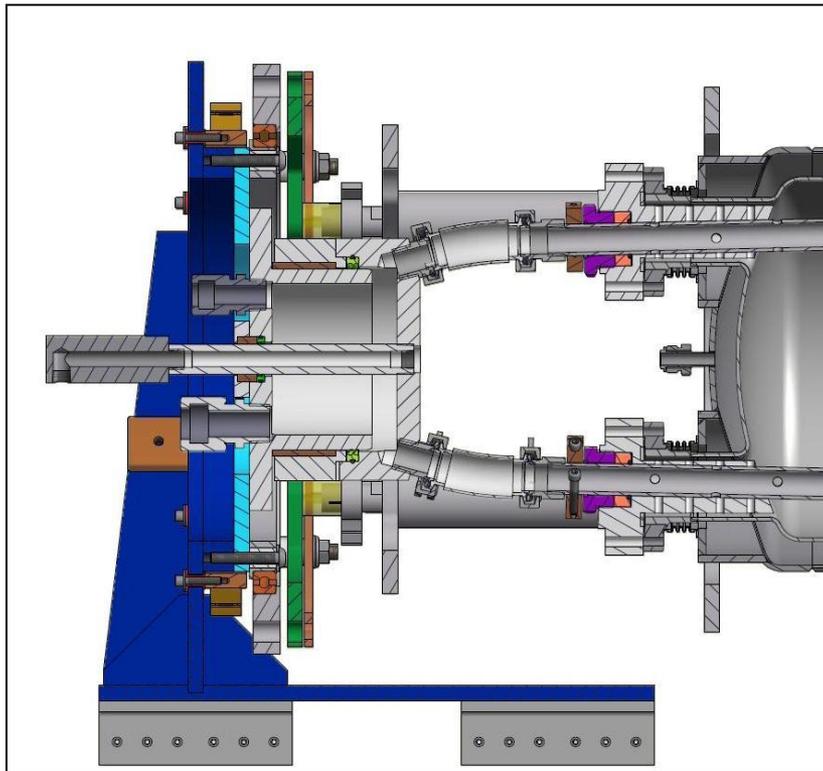
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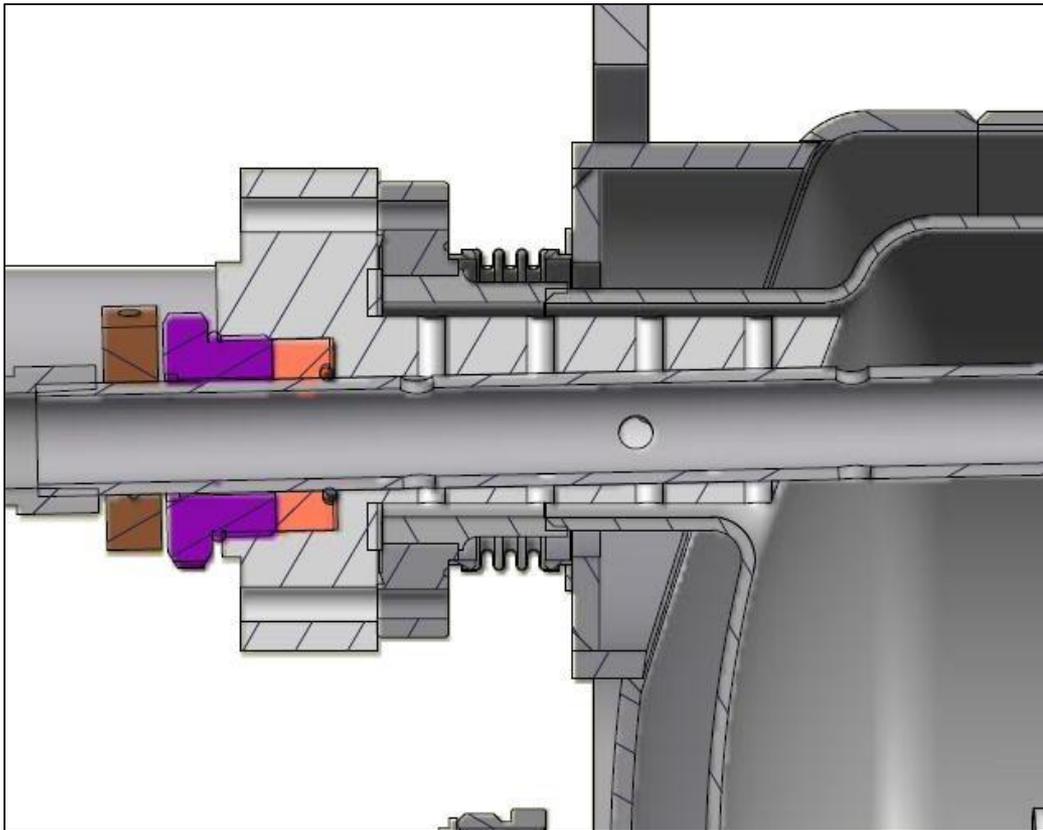
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ACID HEIGHT IS ~ 60% CAVITY INNER DIAMETER



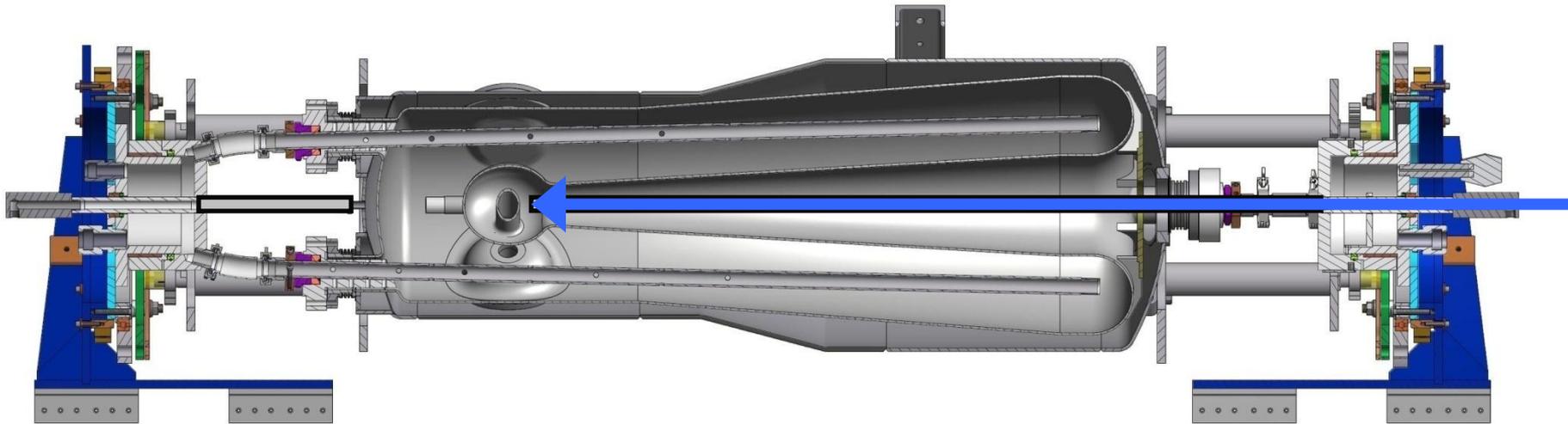
New Low- β SC Cavity EP Tool Cathode Loading



- Integrated cathode loading
- Precision HDPE port flanges allow cathode loading and set cathode angles inside cavity during EP
- Eliminates need for special cathode loading device when dealing with complex cavity geometries
- No cathode bag

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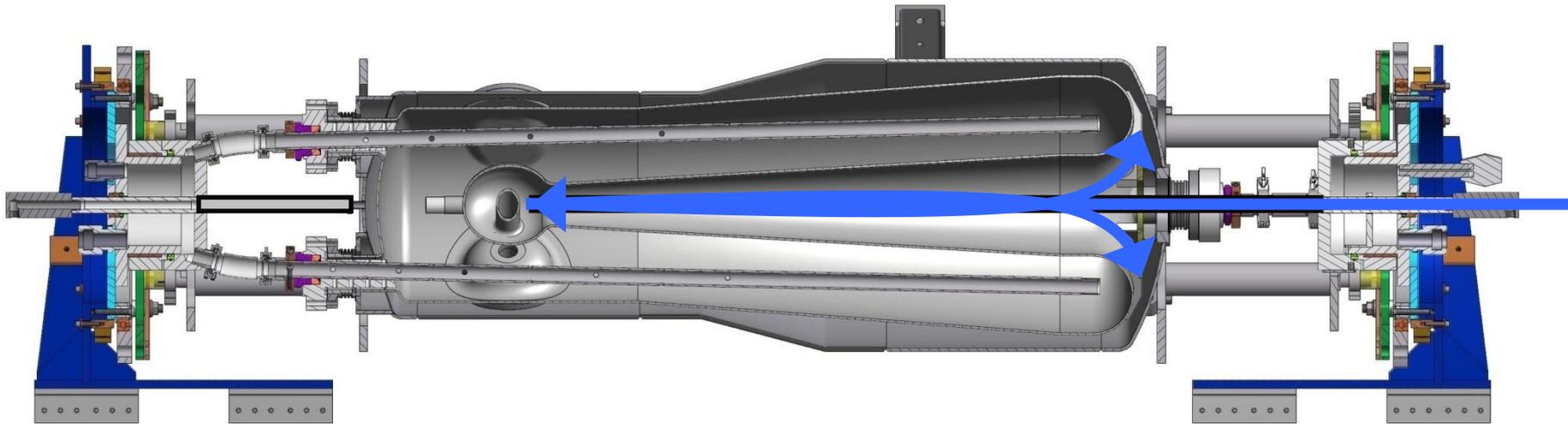
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- Offers an improvement over our elliptical cell EP setup which chills the acid in order to control temperature

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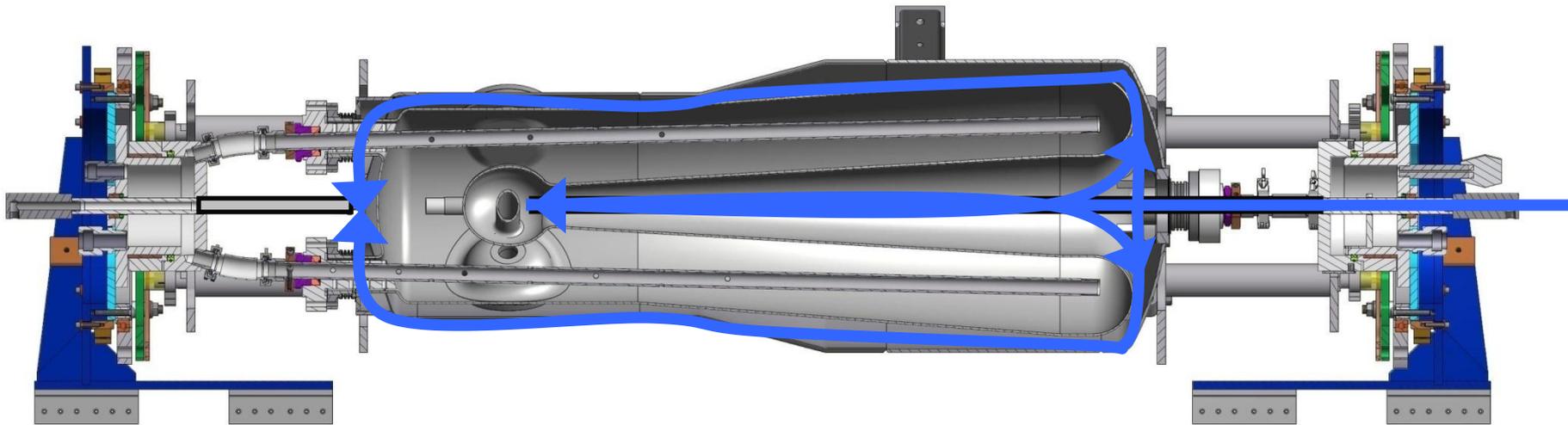
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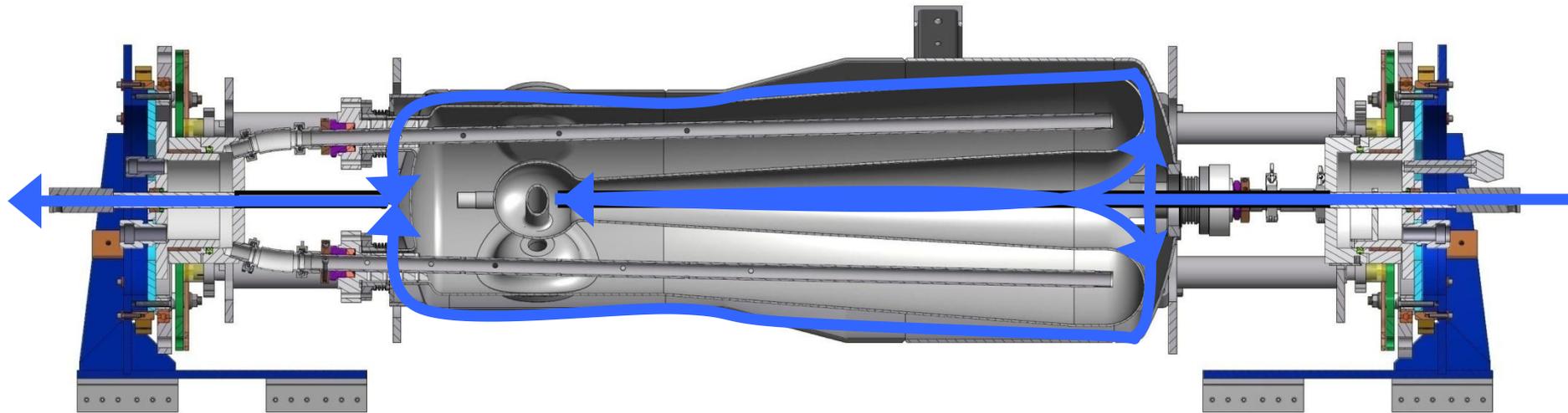
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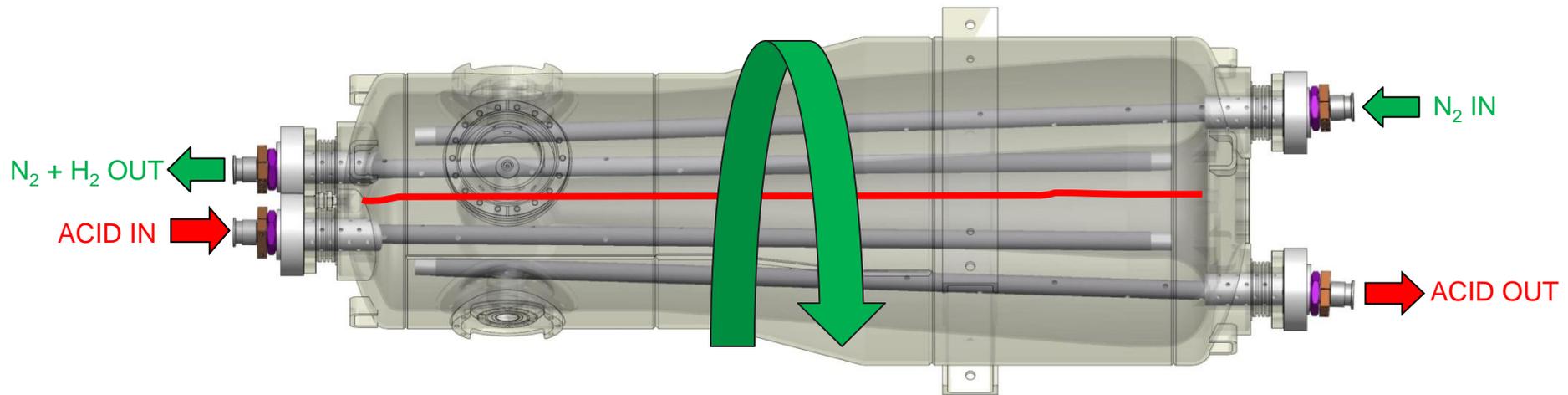
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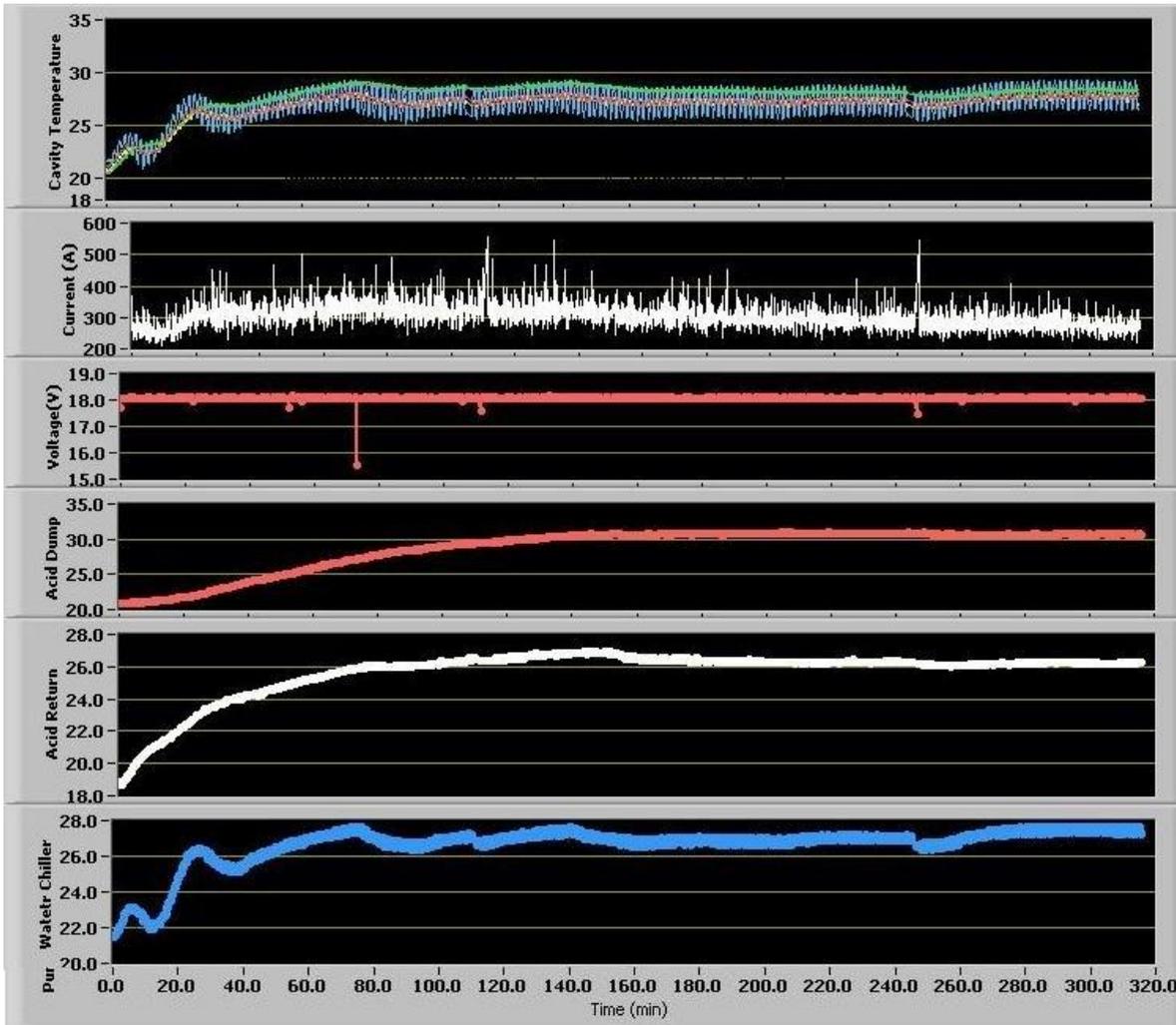
Acid/ N_2 Flow



- Low acid flow rate (0.19 LPM)
- Acid flow only needed to refresh acid, not to maintain temperature
- Rotates at 0.5 RPM



New Low- β SC Cavity EP Tool Operation Data for 72 MHz QWR EP



CAVITY TEMPS (C)

CURRENT (A)

OPERATING VOLTAGE (V)

ACID DUMP TANK TEMP (C)

ACID RETURN LINE TEMP (C)

WATER RETURN TEMP (C)



New Low- β SC Cavity EP Tool Before and After EP

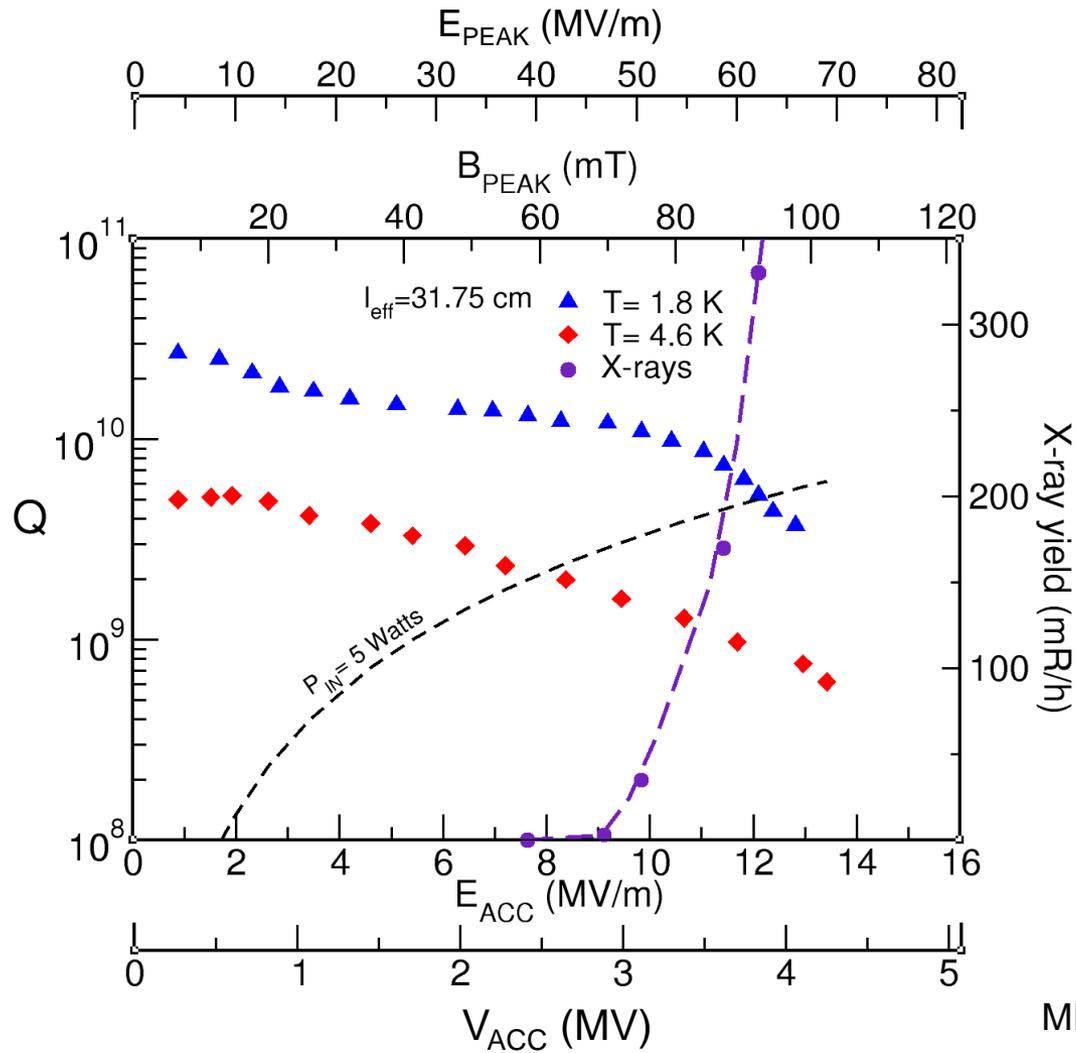


BEFORE EP



AFTER 12HRS OF EP
150 μ m Nb REMOVED

New Low- β SC Cavity EP Tool Results



MIKE KELLY: THIOB04

Summary

- EP with this method is the *final* step in cavity fabrication
- Unlike BCP, EP can be repeated, if necessary, without degradation of surface
- Once the tool is built, EP with this method is simple to use and cost effective
- The EP tool is broadly useful for various cavity geometries, including any type of quarter-wave or half-wave cavity
- Our goal is to use this method of EP to maximize real estate gradient for ATLAS as well as the next generation of SC ion linacs