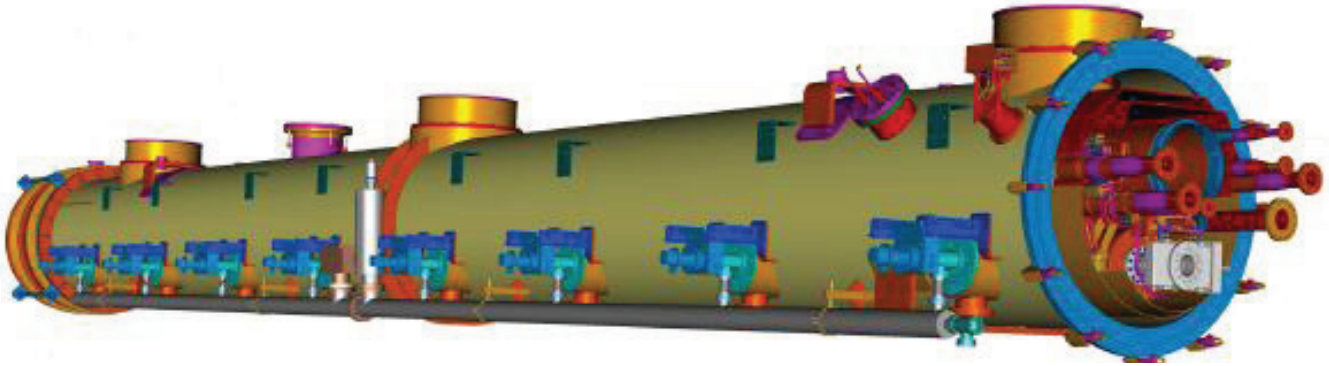
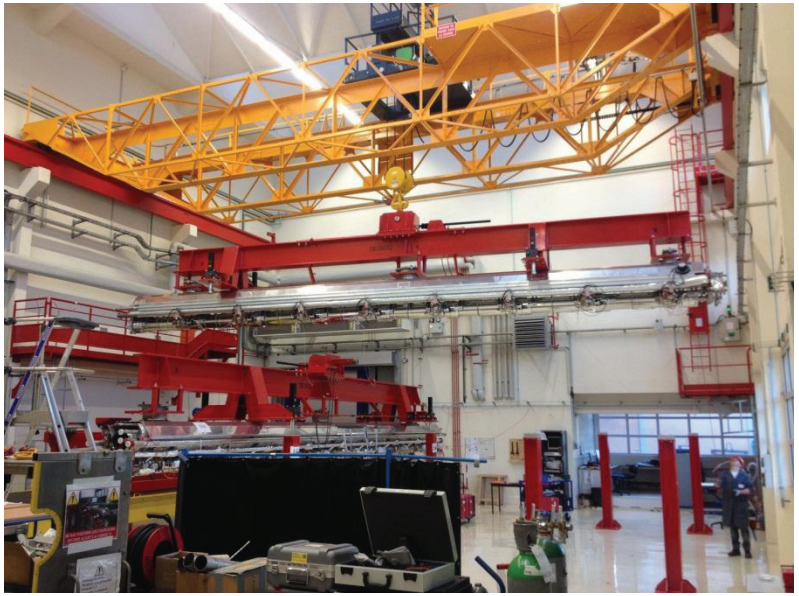
Module performance in E-XFEL cryomodule mass-production



Outline

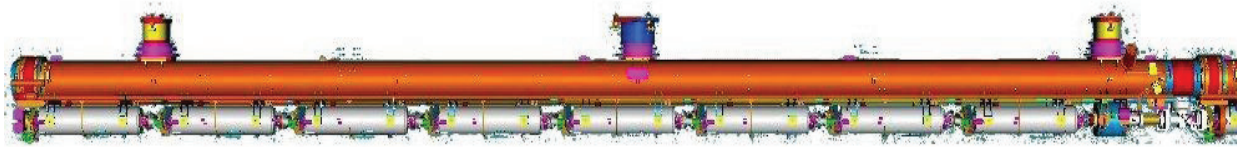
1. Cryomodule production at CEA-Saclay (*from the assembly standpoint)*



2. Cryomodule performances *(measured at DESY/AMTF)*

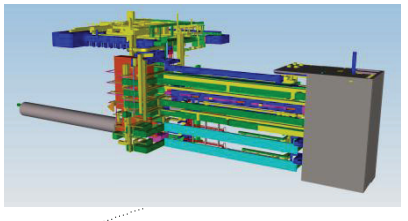
E-XFEL Cold Linac 17.5 GeV

101 accelerator modules



808 accelerating cavities
1.3 GHz / 23.6 MV/m / 10^{10}

25 RF stations
5.2 MW each



CEA In-Kind Contribution

CEA deliverable to European XFEL:

assembly of 103 accelerator modules

on the Saclay site and with CEA* infrastructure

* nine pumping systems (with mass-spectrometer) and one laser-tracker from DESY

* two tuner control racks from INFN

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Workforce by an industrial contractor Alsyom:

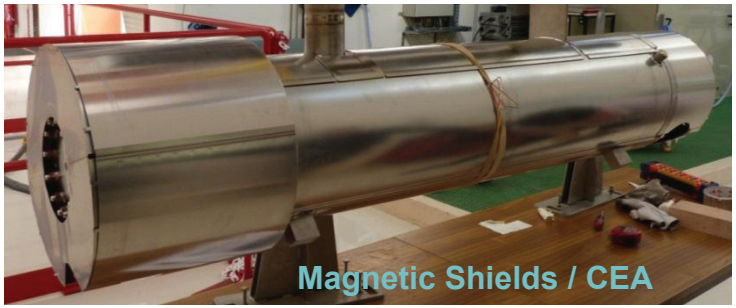
→ Quantity production goal: 1 module / week

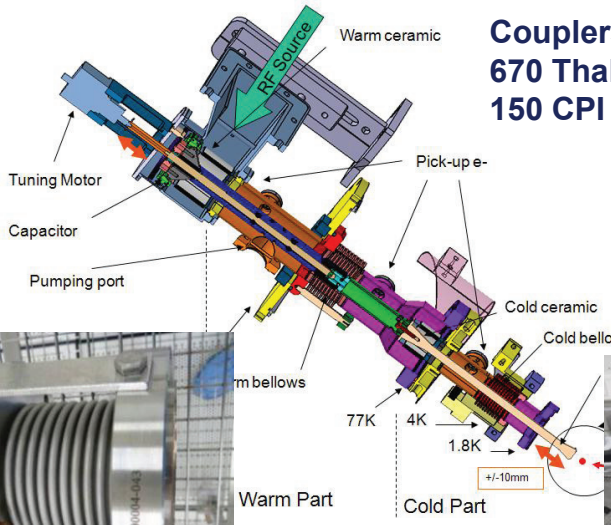
→ Quality performance goal: E_{acc} > 23,6 MV/m

⇒ Global goal: V_{acc} > 196 MV per week

Component Industrialization / Handover

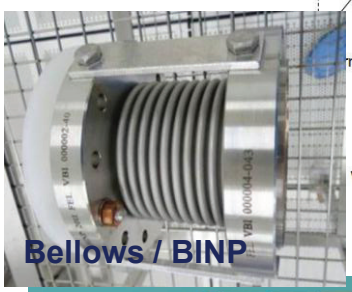
Cryo-systems

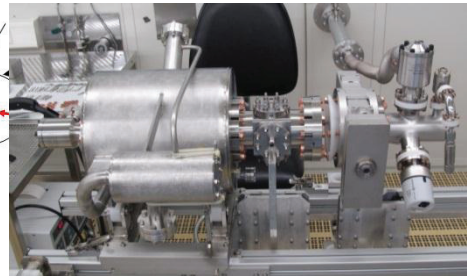


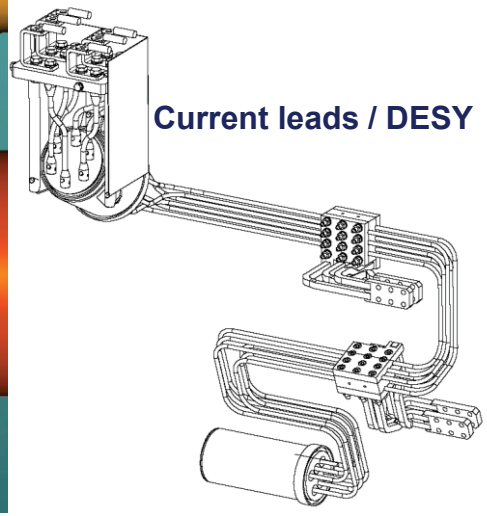


Couplers / IN2P3
670 Thales-RI
150 CPI

Quadrupole-BPM / DESY
103 Magnets / Ciemat
BPM / 72 DESY – 31 CEA
206 Gate Valves / DESY







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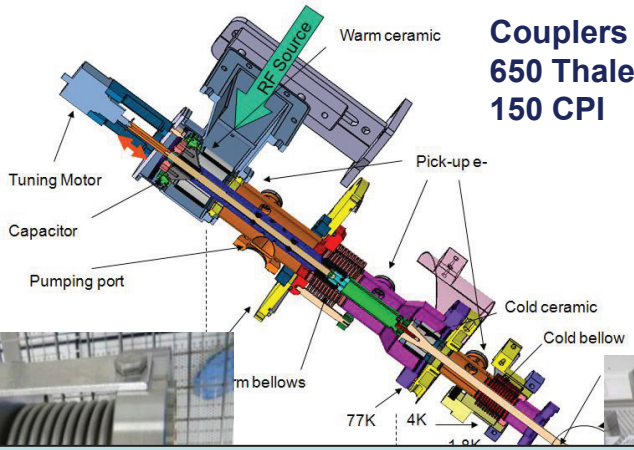

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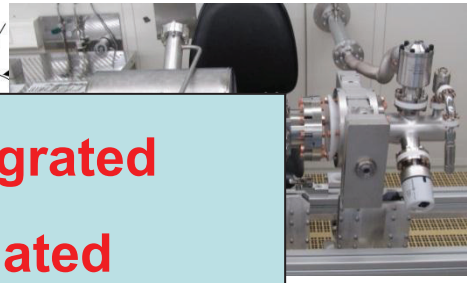

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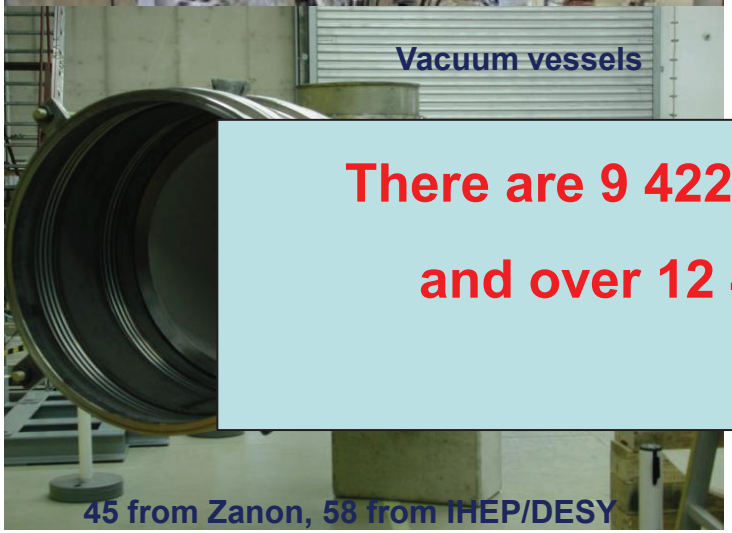
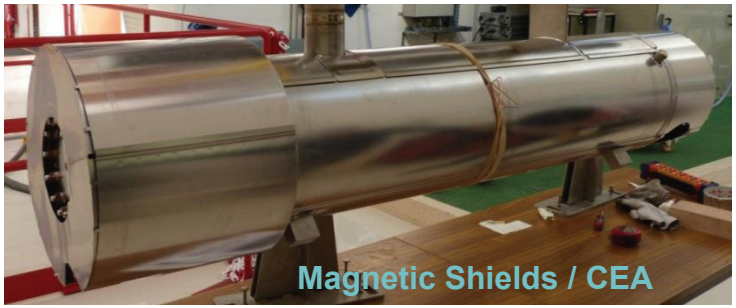
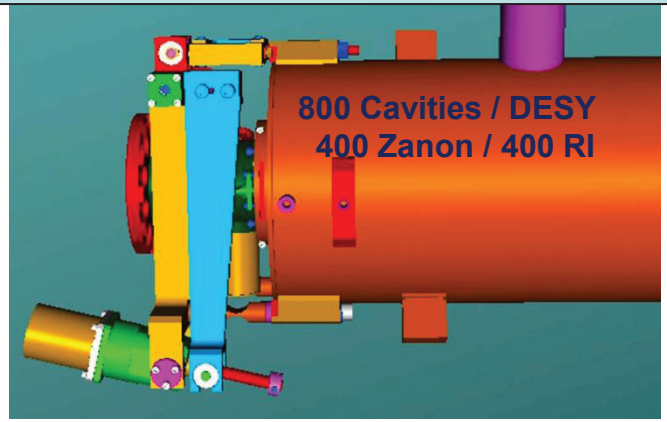


There are 9 422 individual components integrated and over 12 400 individual parts manipulated per cryomodule

45 from Zanon, 58 from IHEP/DESY

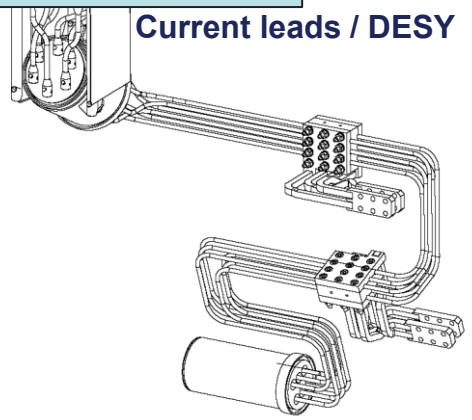


Magnetic Shields / CEA



800 Cavities / DESY
400 Zanon / 400 RI

Current leads / DESY



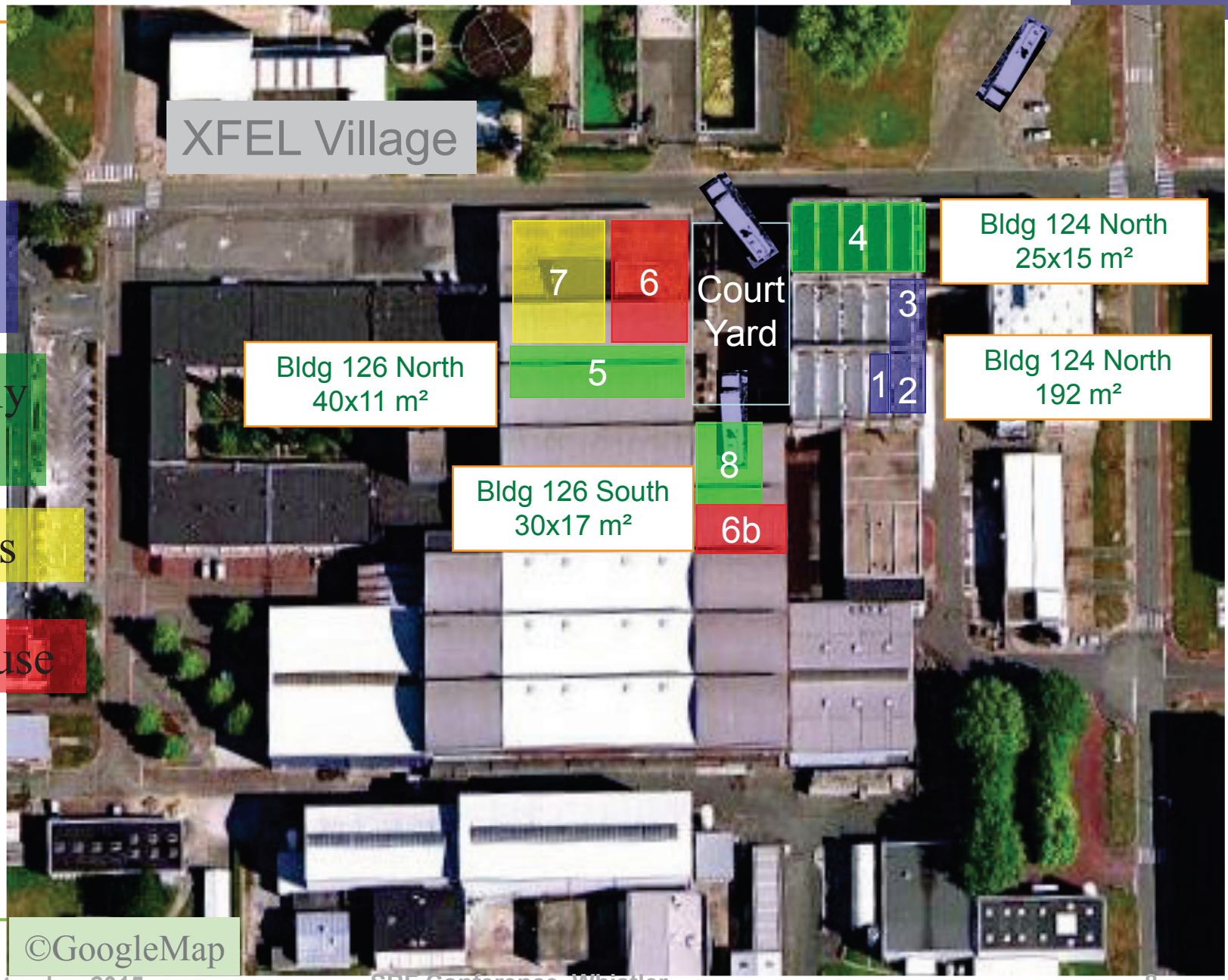
Assembly Challenges

1. **Industrialization**: no company was trained and qualified for module integration, unlike for cavities manufacturing (too many years after LEP200)
2. **Schedule** : throughput of 1 CM per week or better, for a steady production over 2 years
3. **Quality** : avoid gradient degradation, cryogenic losses, coupler mis-assembly, major misalignments, non-compliant welds, etc…
4. **Complexity** : many handover interfaces with several groups at DESY, European labs and European companies.
5. **Risk**: large number of manipulated parts and of implemented procedures, leading to high probability of non-conformances (non-conforming components or assemblies) during the integration.
6. **Financial**: the integration added value is only about 10% of module value !

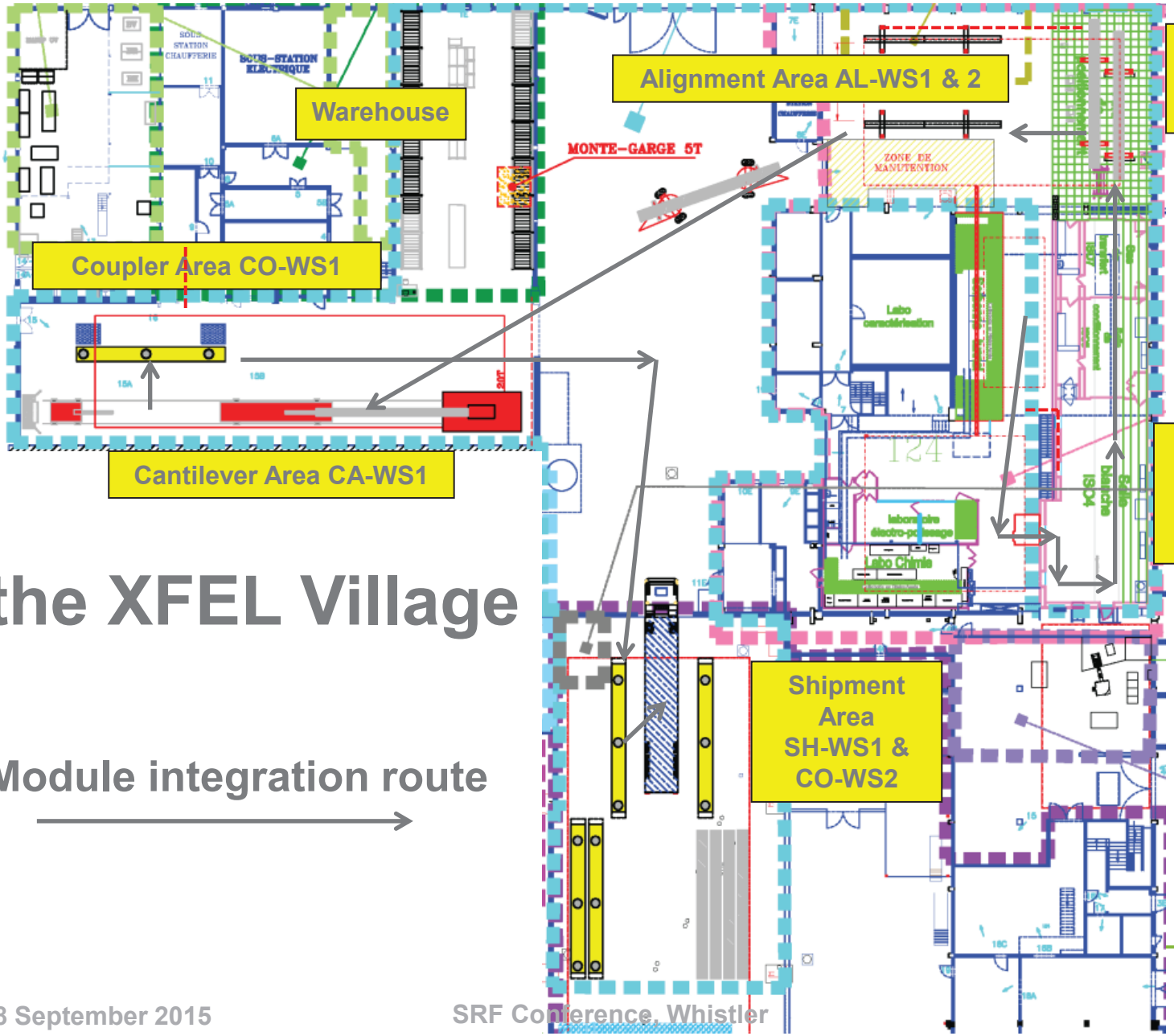
*Assembly is **one of several** ingredients necessary for module acceptance while it may be the **only** cause of failing RF accepance.*

Cryomodule Production

Overview of Assembly Buildings: 2300 m²



Assembly Hall : Workstations



the XFEL Village

Module integration route →

Organisation of Work Stations

The breakdown of the total assembly work over 7 workstations aims at:

- balancing almost equally the occupancy of each WS,
- bringing the longest WS occupancy below 5 days (→ throughput)

1. **Clean Room Cold Coupler Area** (IS04-CC-WS)*2
   - Cold coupler assembly (x8)
   - Gate valve assembly
   - Leak check of cavity-coupler connection (+ RGA)
2. **Clean Room String Assembly Area** (ISO4-SA-WS)*2
   - String connections (8 cavities + 1 Qpole unit)
   - Leak check of string (+RGA) and N_2 venting
3. **Roll-out Area** (RO-WS)*2
   - 2 Ph-tube welding, NDT (VT, LT, RT)
   - HOM adjustment, magnetic shielding, T-sensors
   - Tuner assembly (x8), coupler 4K and 80 K shields
   - Cold-mass/string connection

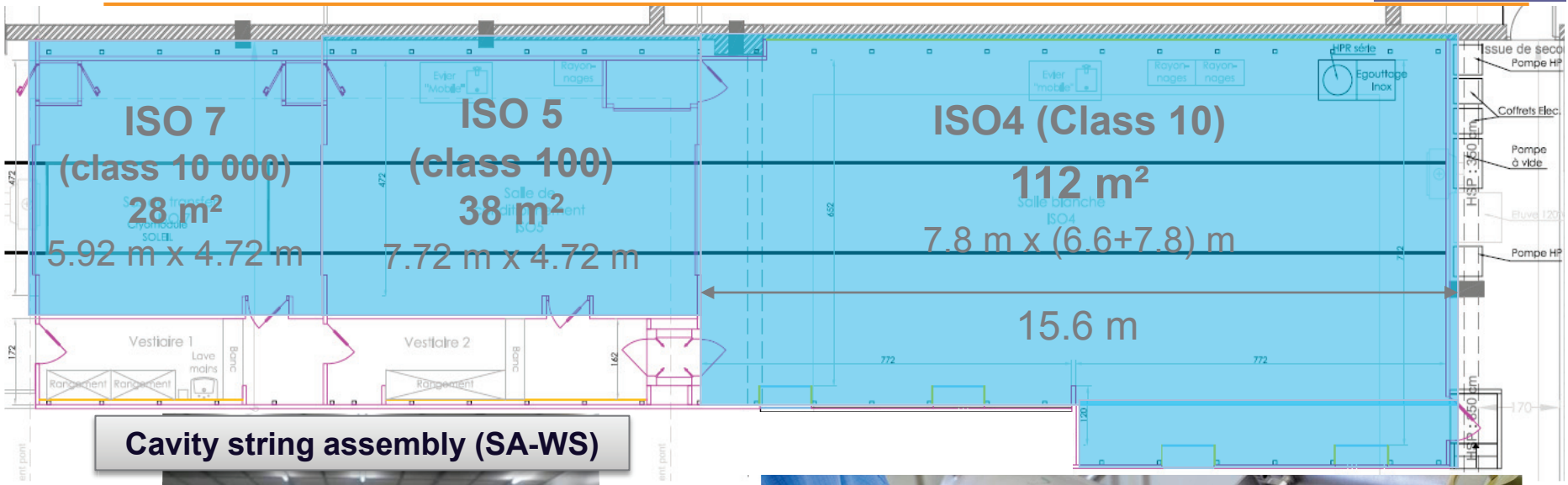
# module components	# parts manipulated
~ 369	>1 075
~ 789	>2 096
~ 3 990	>4 238

Organisation of Work Stations

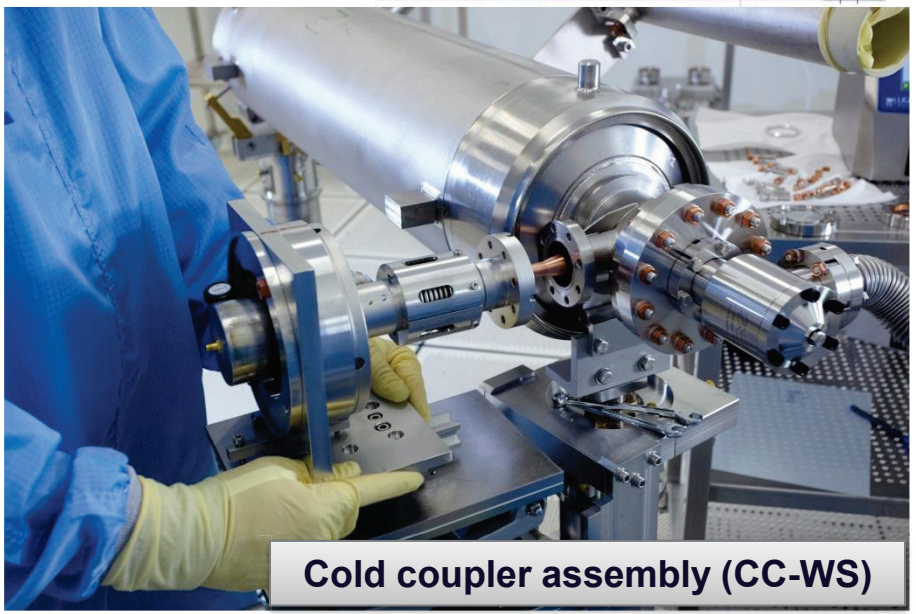
4. **Alignment Area** (AL-WS) *2
   - Cavity and quadrupole fine alignment (< 300 µm)
   - Welding of 8 mm LHe filling line (x9) (VT, PT, LT)
   - Tuner and piezo electric tests
5. **Cantilever Area** (CA-WS)*1
   - Welding of 4K-70 K shields, 4K-70 K super insulation
   - Cable routing and insulation, Qpole current lead
   - Insertion into vacuum vessel and cold mass alignment
6. **Coupler Area** (CO-WX)*2
   - Couplers, coupler pumping line, leak checks (x9)
   - Cabling of flanges A (x8) and flange D
   - Quadrupole current lead connections and welding
   - Final leak check of cavity vacuum (+RGA), final pumpi
7. **Shipment Area** (SH-WS) *2
   - Control operations (RF frequency)
   - End-caps closing, N2-insulation
   - CEA-Alsyom “acceptance test” and loading

# module components	# parts manipulated
~ 120	>264
~ 256	>420
~ 3 702	>4 399
~209	>209
Total 9 422	Total >12 400

Clean Room Layout



Cavity string assembly (SA-WS)



Cold coupler assembly (CC-WS)

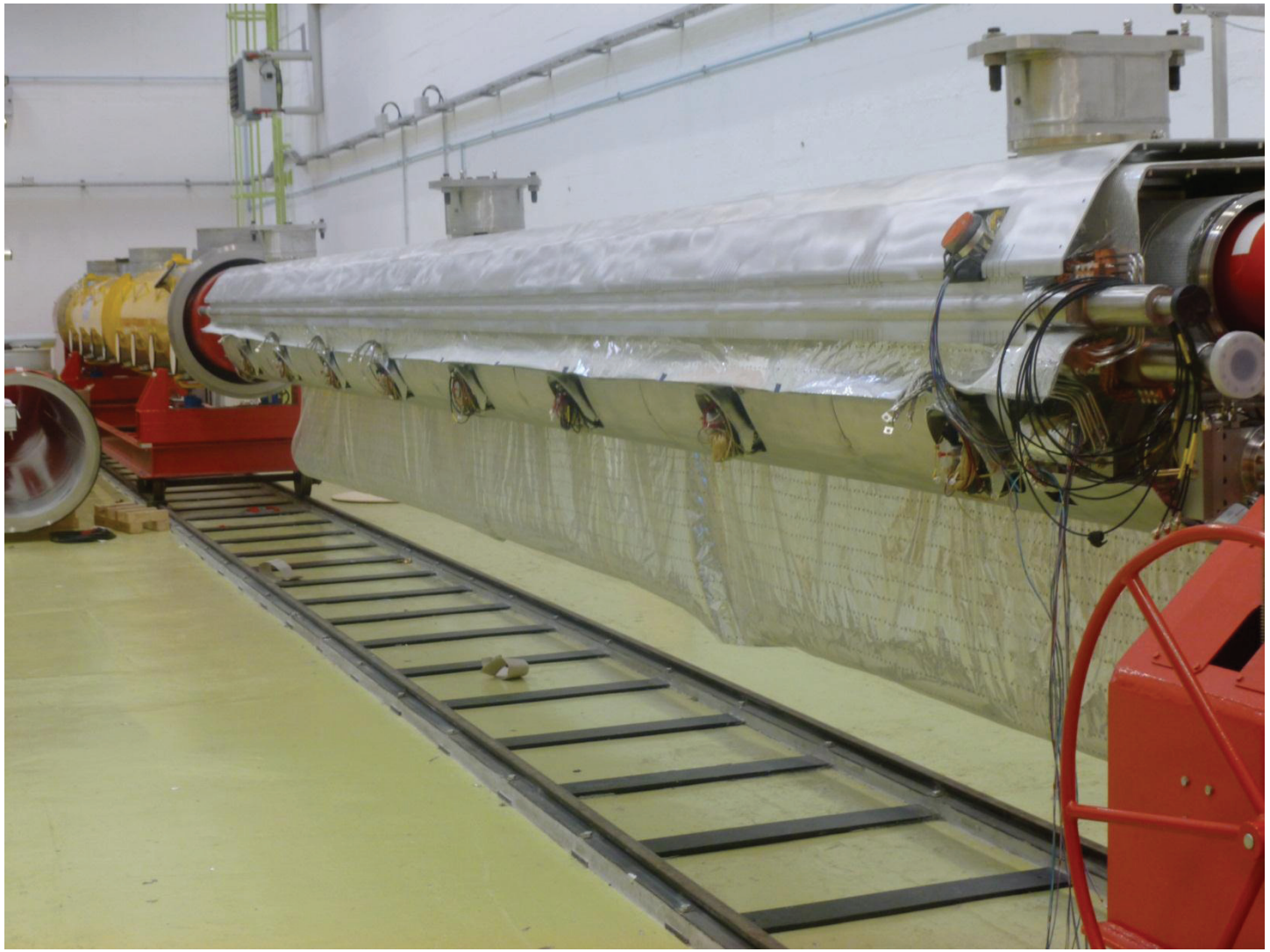
Roll-out Workstation

String roll-out and cold mass assembly (RO-WS)

Roll-out and Alignement Workstations

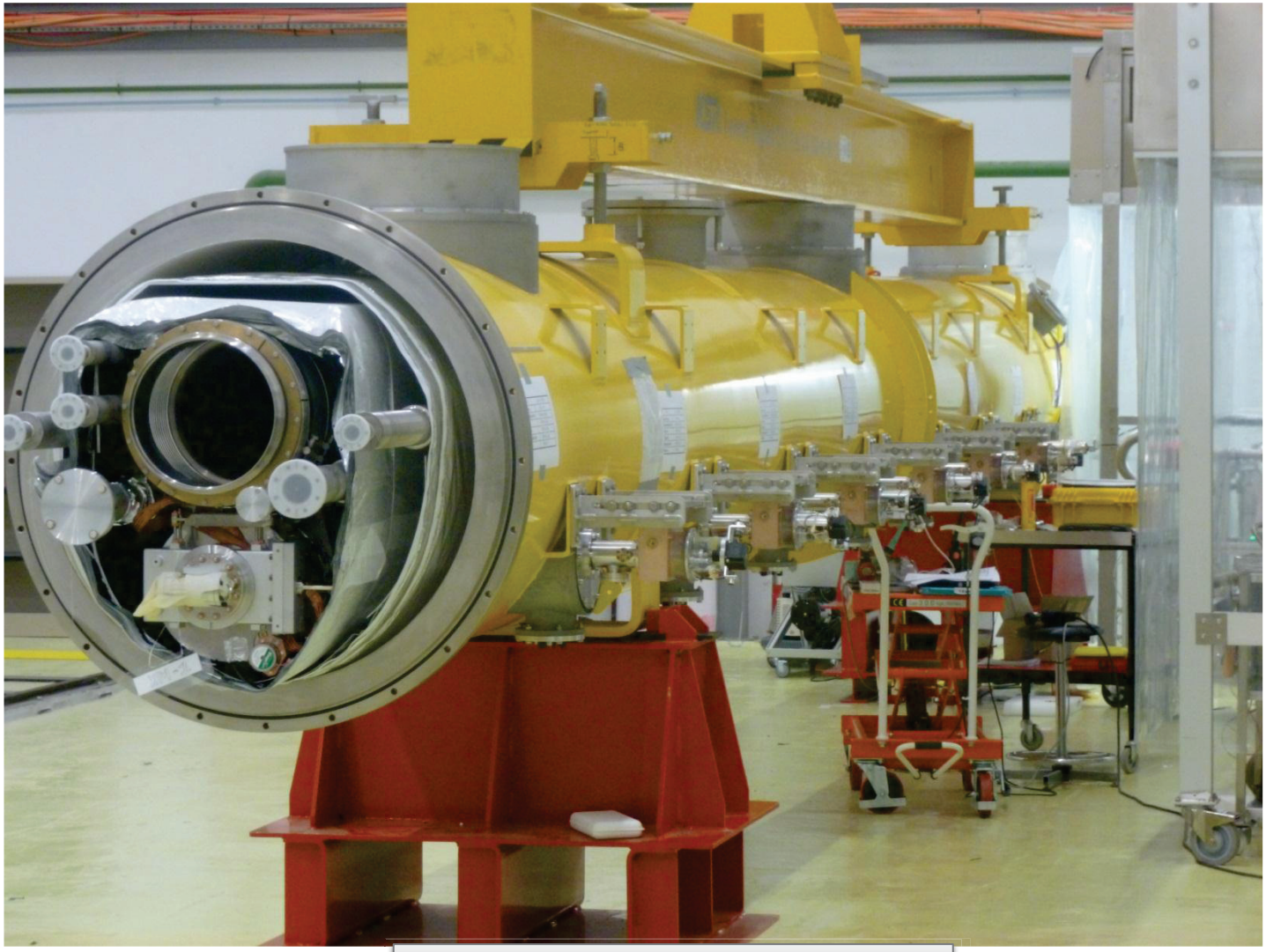
Roll-out (RO-WS) and Cavity alignment (AL-WS) workstations

Cantilever Workstation



XM1 (Cantilever) on 14/02/2014

Warm Coupler Workstation



Warm coupler assembly (CO-WS)

Cantilever and Warm Coupler Workstations

XM1 (Cantilever) and XM-1 (Warm couplers) on 14/02/2014

Shipment Workstation

Shipment (SH-WS)

Loading (SH-WS)

Assembly Procedures

- The preparation, assembly and control work are described in **145 procedures**, 'Fiches d'Instruction', 'used' by the operators.

- The first set of draft procedures was written by CEA, during the Prototyping phase at DESY and Saclay, in English and appended to the Call for Tender Specifications for Industrial Operator selection

- Alsyom, the selected Industrial Operator, was in charge of updating these procedures during the Pre-Series phase (3 modules) and to translate them in French for their usage during the Series production phase.

- This process took much longer than expected.

MONTAGE DE LA BOITE DE TRANSITION POUR LES ELEMENTS D'ORIGINE THALES (THRI)

Cette Fiche d'Instructions (FI) définit les opérations de montage de la boite de transition sur un Cryomodule XFEL et les moyens associés.

FICHE D'INSTRUCTIONS OPERATIONNELLES

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2. MOYENS

2.1. MATIÈRES CONSOMMABLES NÉCESSAIRES

Gant

Chiffon

Alcool isopropylique

Graisse mécanique Standard

2.2. MOYENS DE CONTROLE

Pied à coulisse

Niveau à bulle

2.3. OUTILLAGE STANDARD DE MONTAGE

Clés plates de 7-8-13-17

Embout BTR 2

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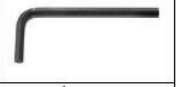

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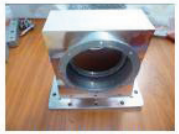
2.4. PIECES ET ELEMENTS D'ASSEMBLAGE


Boite de transition


Support du coupleur


2 x Cale de support


4 x Vis entretoise


Joint cuivre RFC1


Joint cuivre RFC2


Joint en cuivre RFC3


Condensateur assemblé


16 x Vis CHC M3 x 9 argentées

16 x Rondelles Z3


4 x Vis H M10 x 20


2 x Demi-bride


4 x Ecrou H M10


4 x Ecrou H M8


12 x Ecrou cuivre H M4


4 X Rondelle D8


6 x Vis H M10 x 25


2 x Vis H M8 x 25


14 X Rondelle large M10

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2.5. EQUIPEMENTS DE PROTECTION ET DE SECURITE


Chaussures de sécurité


Gants

2.6. INVENTAIRE DES PIECES A RETOURNER


Fourreau de protection couronne céramique

3. MONTAGE DE LA BOITE DE TRANSITION

3.1. PREPARATION DU POSTE ET DU MATERIEL

1. Préparer la F.I. référente au poste et la configuration du montage (**Fig. 1**)

2. S'assurer d'avoir au poste l'ensemble de l'outillage nécessaire au montage (**Fig. 1**)

3. Suivant le bordereau de configuration préparer les pièces d'assemblage (**Fig. 1**)

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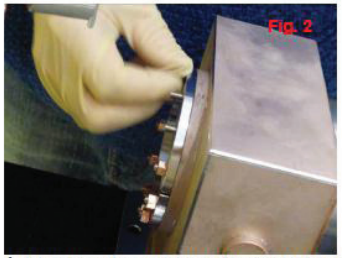
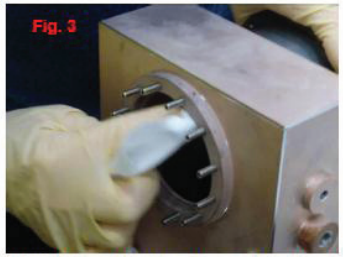
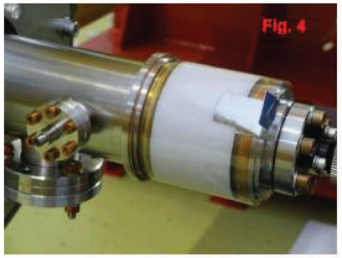


1. Démonter de la boite de transition les demi-brides de serrage montées sur sa bride arrière et vérifier les goujons sont bien fixés sur la boite de transition (**Fig. 2**)

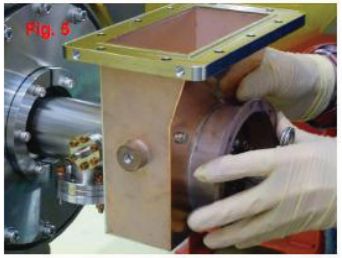


2. A l'aide d'un chiffon propre imbibé d'alcool, nettoyer la boite de transition en insistant plus particulièrement sur la portée de joint de la bride (**Fig. 3**)



3. A l'aide d'un chiffon propre imbibé d'alcool, nettoyer la portée de joint (bague épaulée) du coupleur chaud

4. Mettre délicatement en position sur la bague épaulée du coupleur chaud, le joint en cuivre RFC3 (joint moyen des 3 à monter **(dia ext 80.2 plan I72-CA-007)**) préalablement nettoyé à l'aide d'un chiffon propre imbibé à l'alcool (**Fig. 4**)



5. Monter délicatement la boite de transition et la mettre en appui contre le joint RFC3 (**Fig. 5**)

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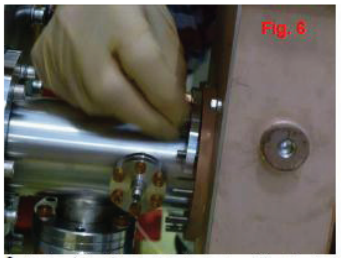
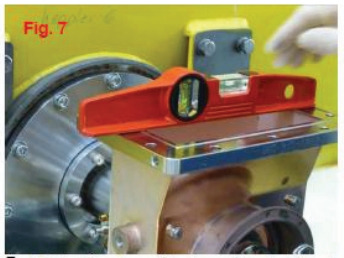
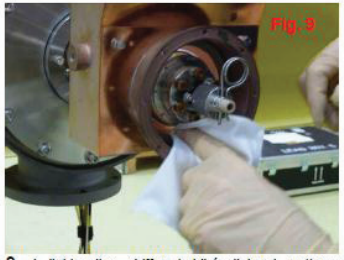


6. Monter à l'arrière de la boite de transition, les deux demi-brides initialement démontées et les maintenir à l'aide des écrous cuivre prévus à cet effet **(le serrage doit être fait à la main sans outils)** (**Fig. 6**)

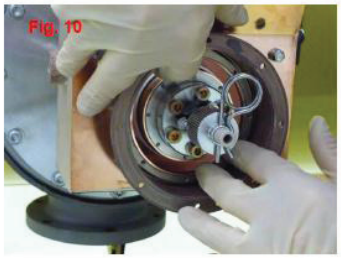


7. A l'aide d'un niveau à bulle posé sur la boite de transition, s'assurer de l'horizontalité de la boite de transition, puis serrer à **la main** les écrous des demi-brides de serrage de la boite (**Fig. 7**)

8. Retirer délicatement le fourreau (film de protection de la bague céramique du coupleur) (**Fig. 8**)



9. A l'aide d'un chiffon imbibé d'alcool, nettoyer l'intérieur de la boite de transition et précisément les portées de joint (**Fig. 9**)



10. Mettre délicatement en position sur la couronne intérieure de la boite de transition le joint en cuivre

RFC1 (le plus grand des 3 joints à monter **(dia ext 90.5 plan I72-CA-006)**)
RFC2 (le plus petit des 3 joints à monter **(dia int 69.6 plan I72-CA-005)**) préalablement nettoyés à l'aide d'un chiffon propre imbibé à l'alcool (**Fig. 10**)

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Throughput at Cold Coupler WS

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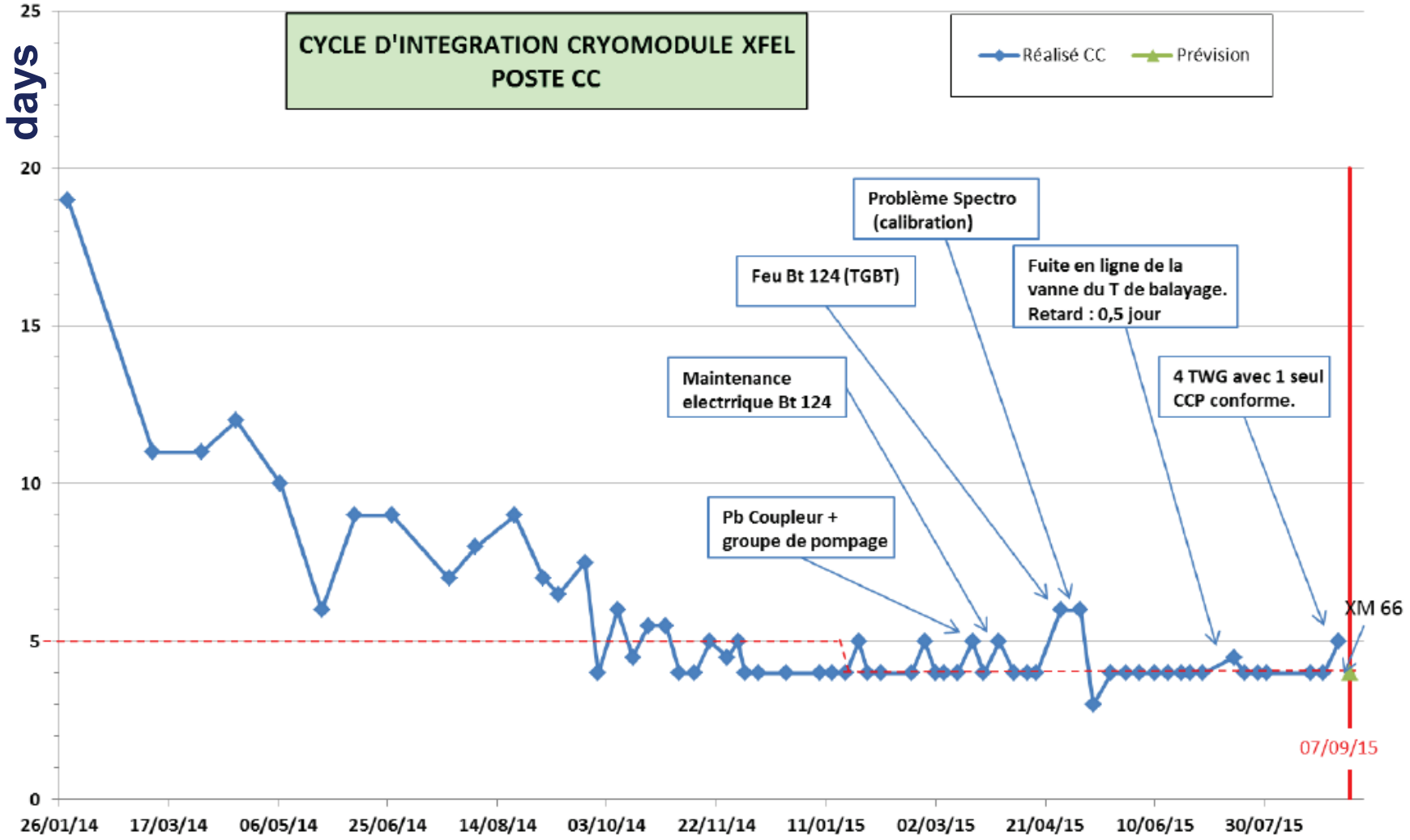

Throughput at String Assembly WS

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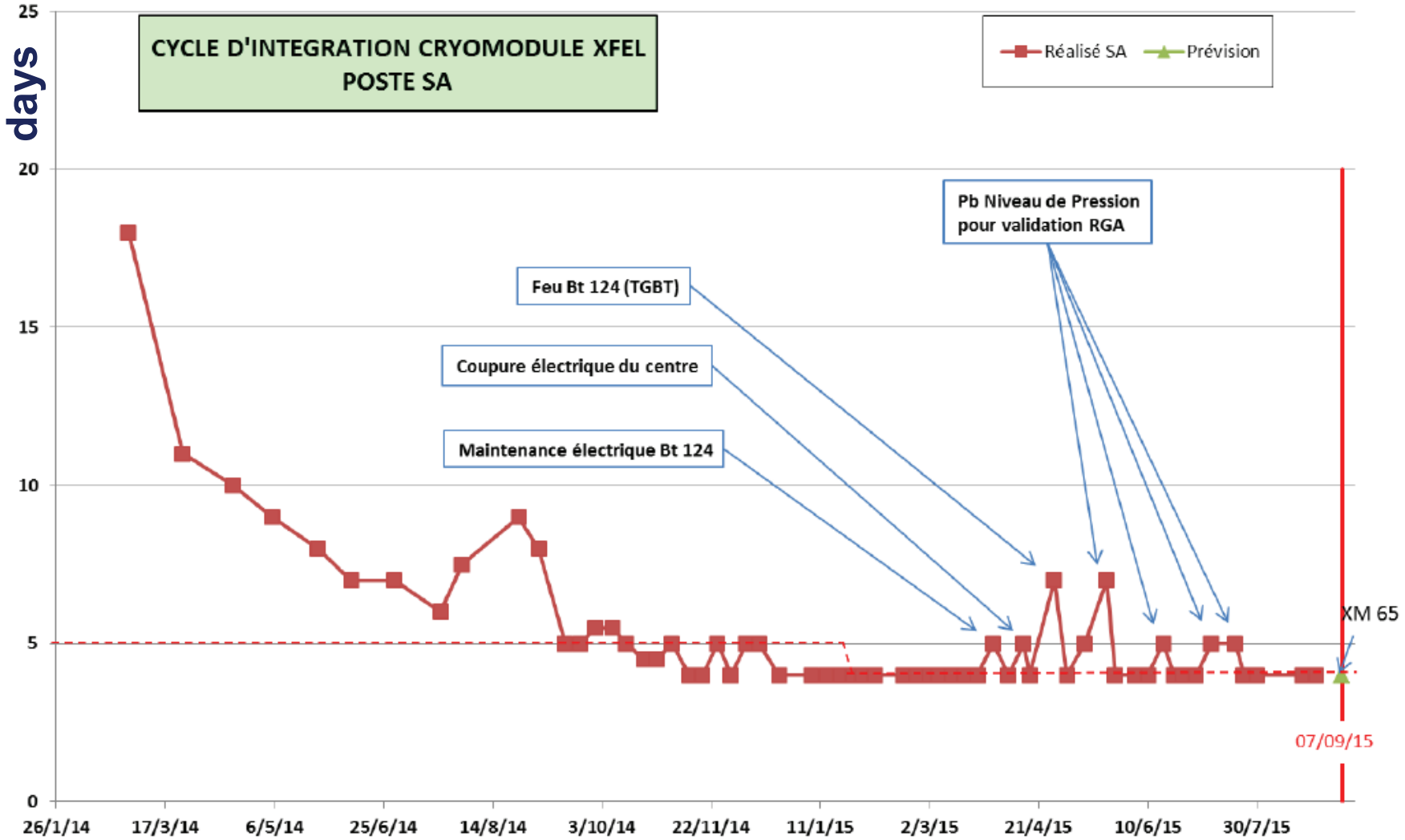

Throughput at Roll-Out WS

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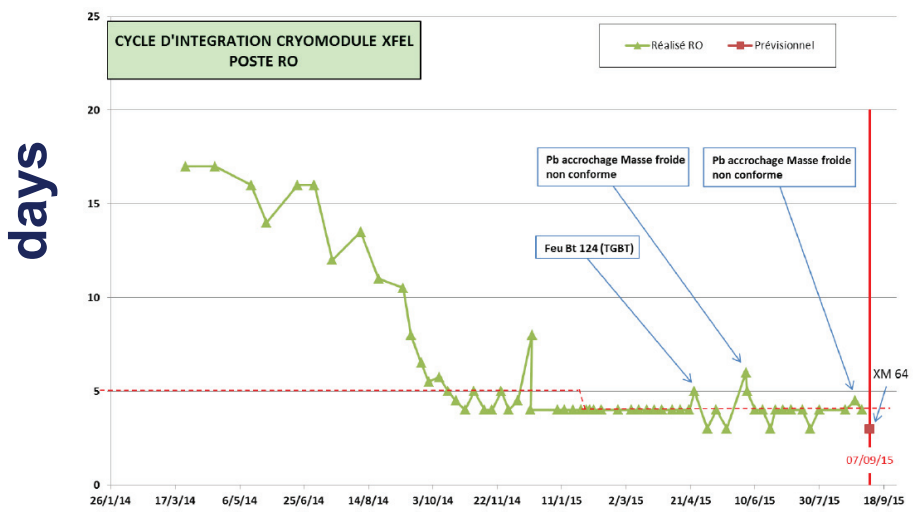
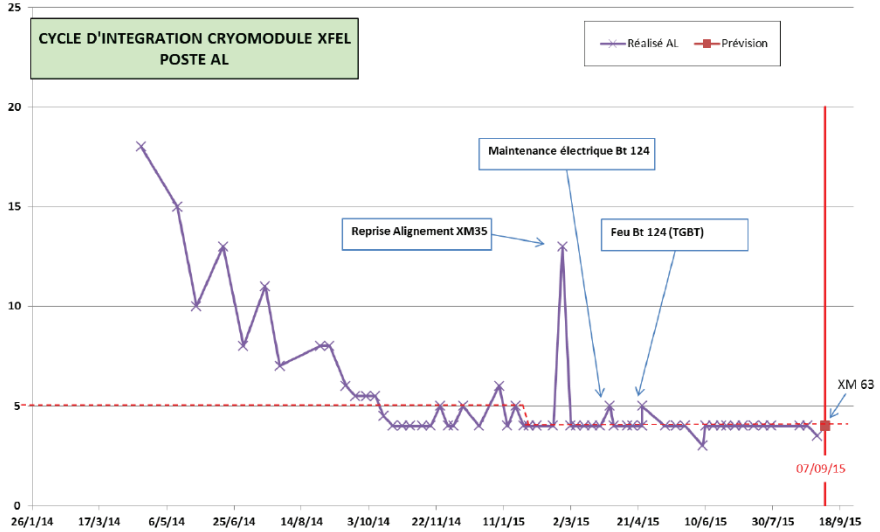
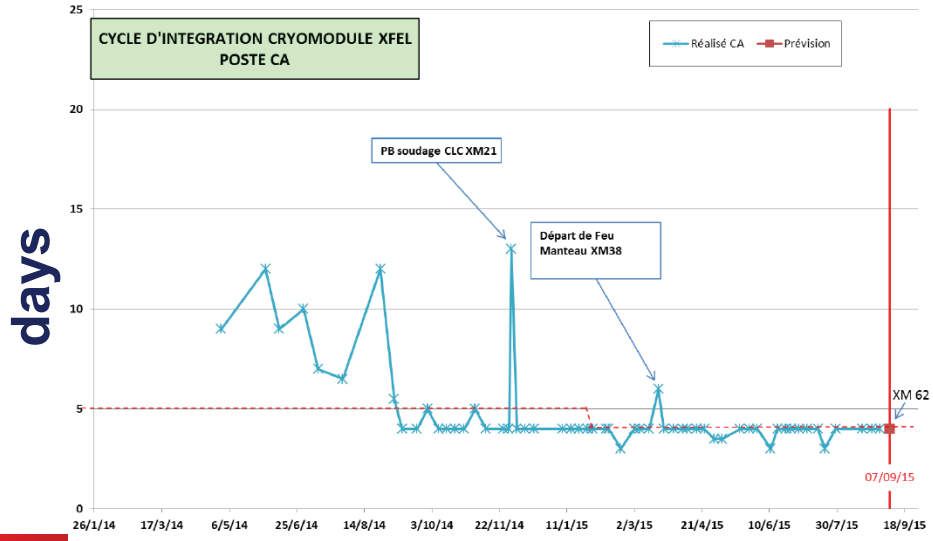
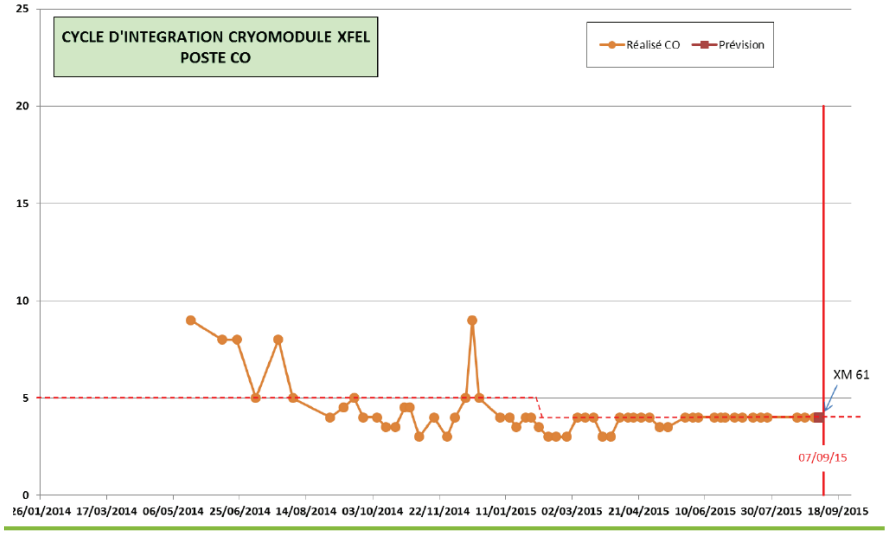


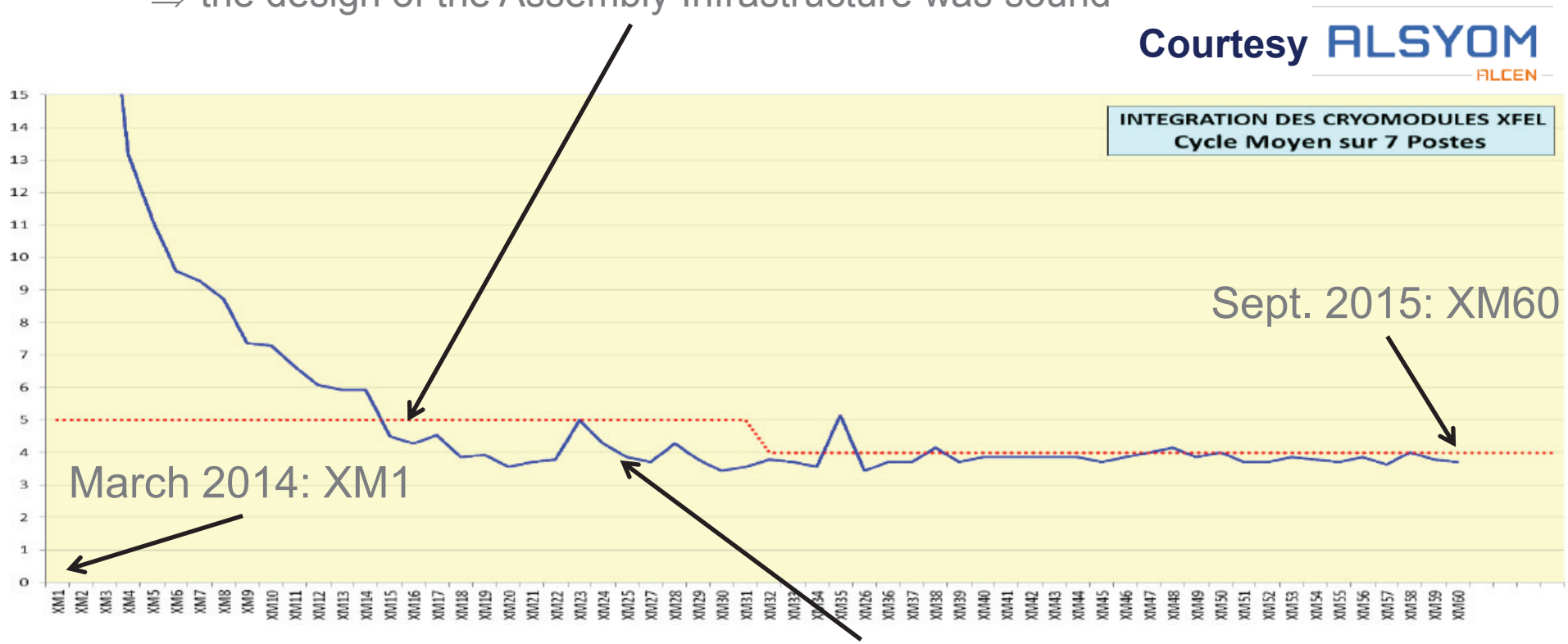






Alsyom Production Rate

- 5 day throughput was reached **mid-October 2014** with **XM15**
  ⇒ the design of the Assembly Infrastructure was sound

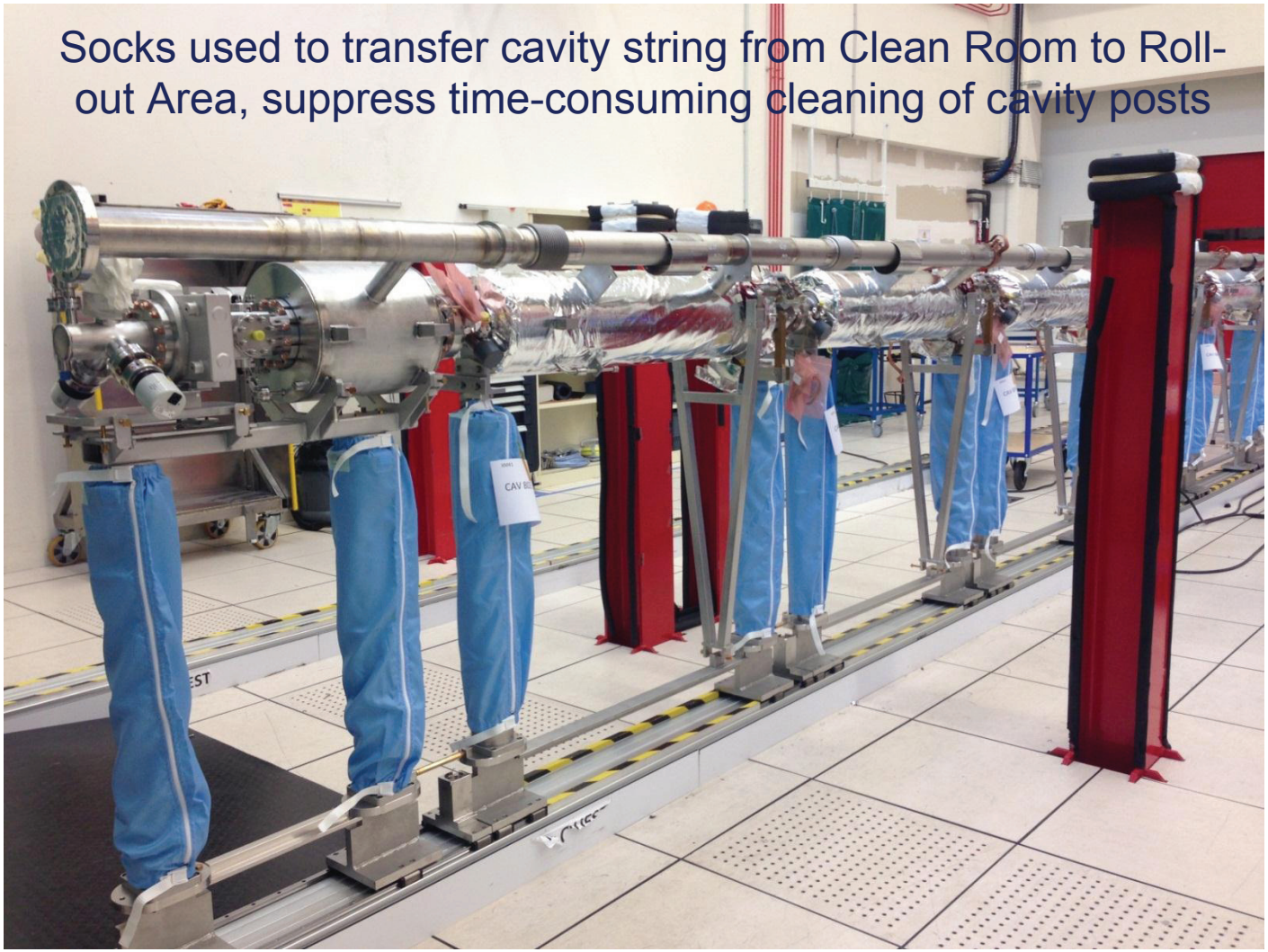


4-day throughput was reached **in January 2015** with **XM25**

This 'accelerated' rate is needed to close the XFEL tunnel mid-2016:

- XM80 to be delivered at the end of December 2015
- XM100 to be delivered at the end of April 2016

Productivity gained from improvement of small tools

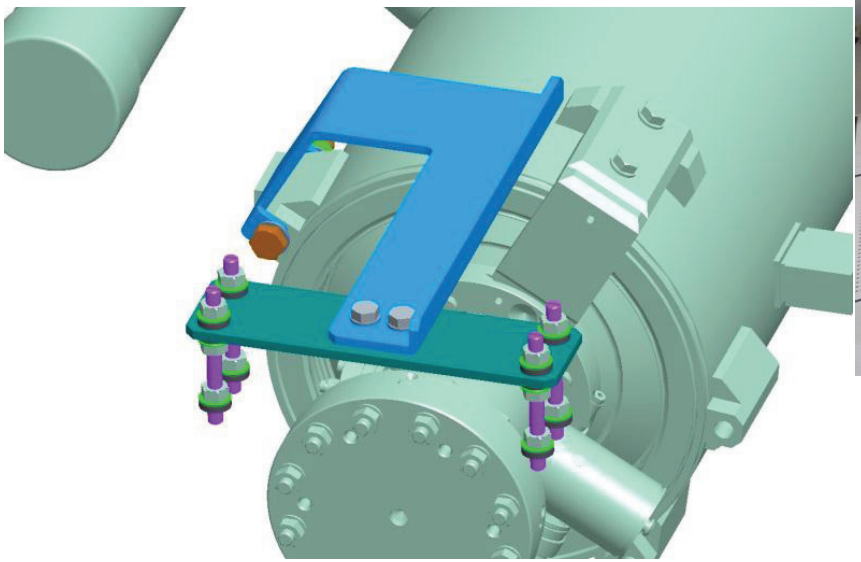


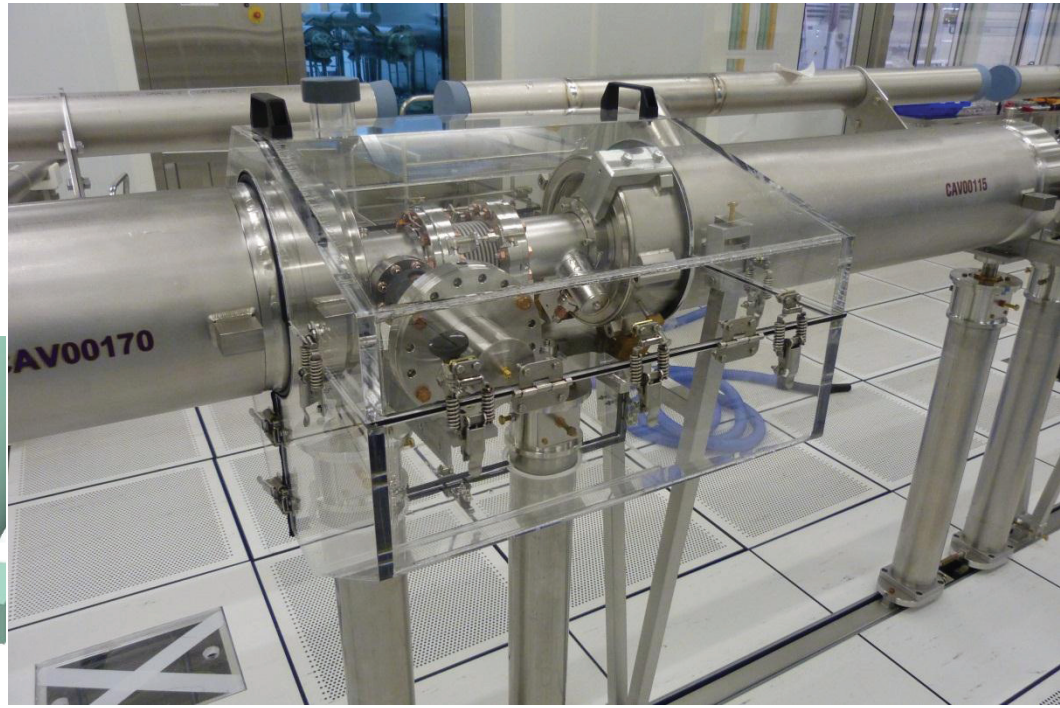
Improving Integration Tools

Two more examples, in use:

1) Pre-fabricated et reusable devices for the leak-check of the cavity string connections → 3 units fabricated and in use.

2) Realization of gate valve support for its assembly on Cold-Coupler workstation:





Inter-cavity connection leak-check box, including cold coupler connection, and pre-existing HOM flanges

Improving Integration Processes

Acceleration of Production benefits from:

- New clean room assembly procedure: moving individual cavity venting after the leak check of the cold coupler assembly, rather than later, before the string assembly. This eliminates one connection to pumping stations for cavity venting, and one valve closing-opening cycle.
  Tested on XM27 and implemented from XM54, with additional filters.

- Pure Argon instead of He-Ar (50%-50%) inert gas for Titanium welding: to save the long and unpredictable time needed to pump and purge the LHe tank in order to reduce the He background enough to perform the Helium leak test (LT) by external accumulation.
  The certification process is ongoing.

- Reducing the impact of non-conformities, particularly imported NC.
  More human resources have been put on incoming inspection and QC.

Quality Control

Quality Control consists in:

1. Inspecting the incoming components
2. Controling the assembly work in person on the workstations
3. Documenting the controls and non-conformities

Until end of 2014, the quality control group of Alsyom was too small (3 people) in such a way that Incoming Inspection and Documenting were performed in priority. CEA took the major part of the Assembly Work Controling, essentially during pre-defined 'Hold Points' between WS.

The 'every day' or 'random' controls were too few and this led to many mal-fabrication, most of them recorded at DESY before or during cryomodule cold test !

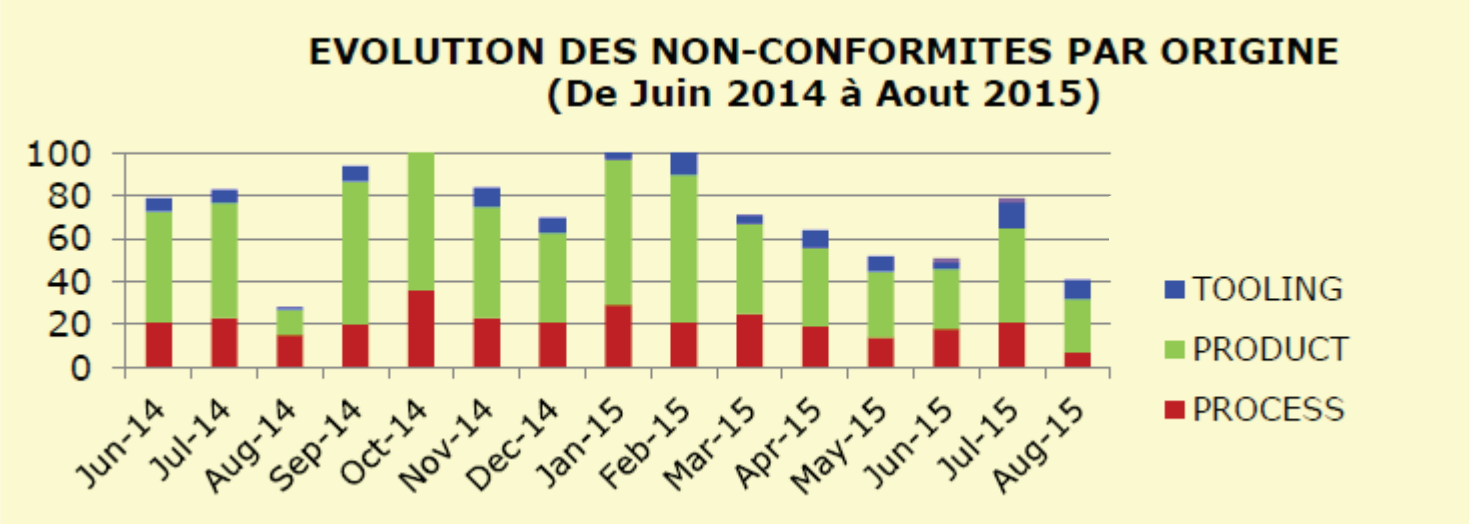
In November 2014, the quality control group of Alsyom was increased to 5 people which, together with the better organisation, cover the need of QC.

CEA also took over the NCR editing on EDMS.

Quality Control: Non Conformities

Non Conformities recorded by Alsyom fall into 3 categories:

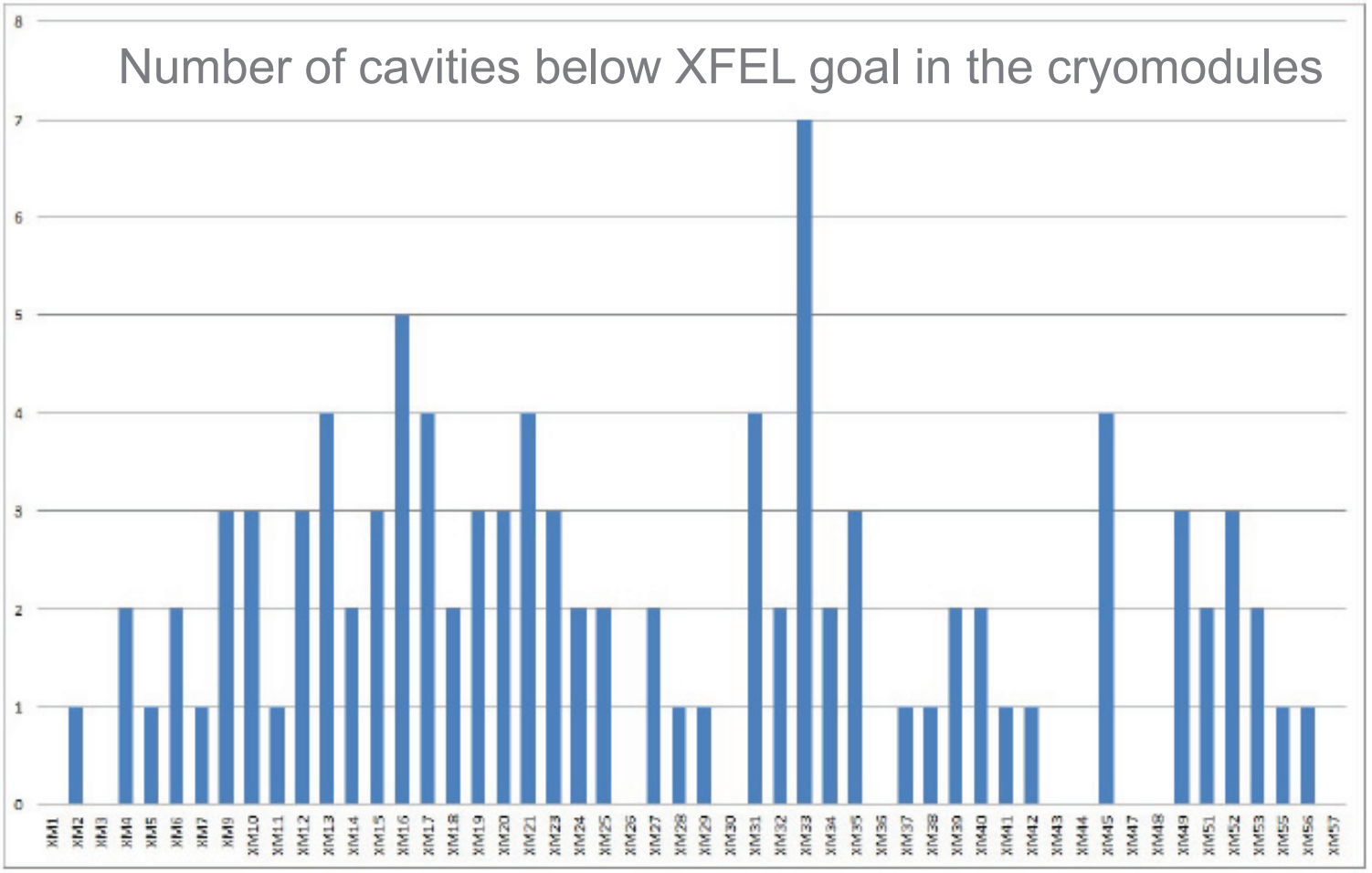
1) Tooling and assembly equipments (TOOLING)
2) Accelerator components (PRODUCT)
3) Assembly operations (PROCESS)



The number of Non Conformities is not going down.

But, with better and more efficient detection at incoming inspection, the impact of PRODUCT NC on the module assembly has considerably decreased, compared to when many NC were discovered ‘on the fly’.

Cryomodule Performances



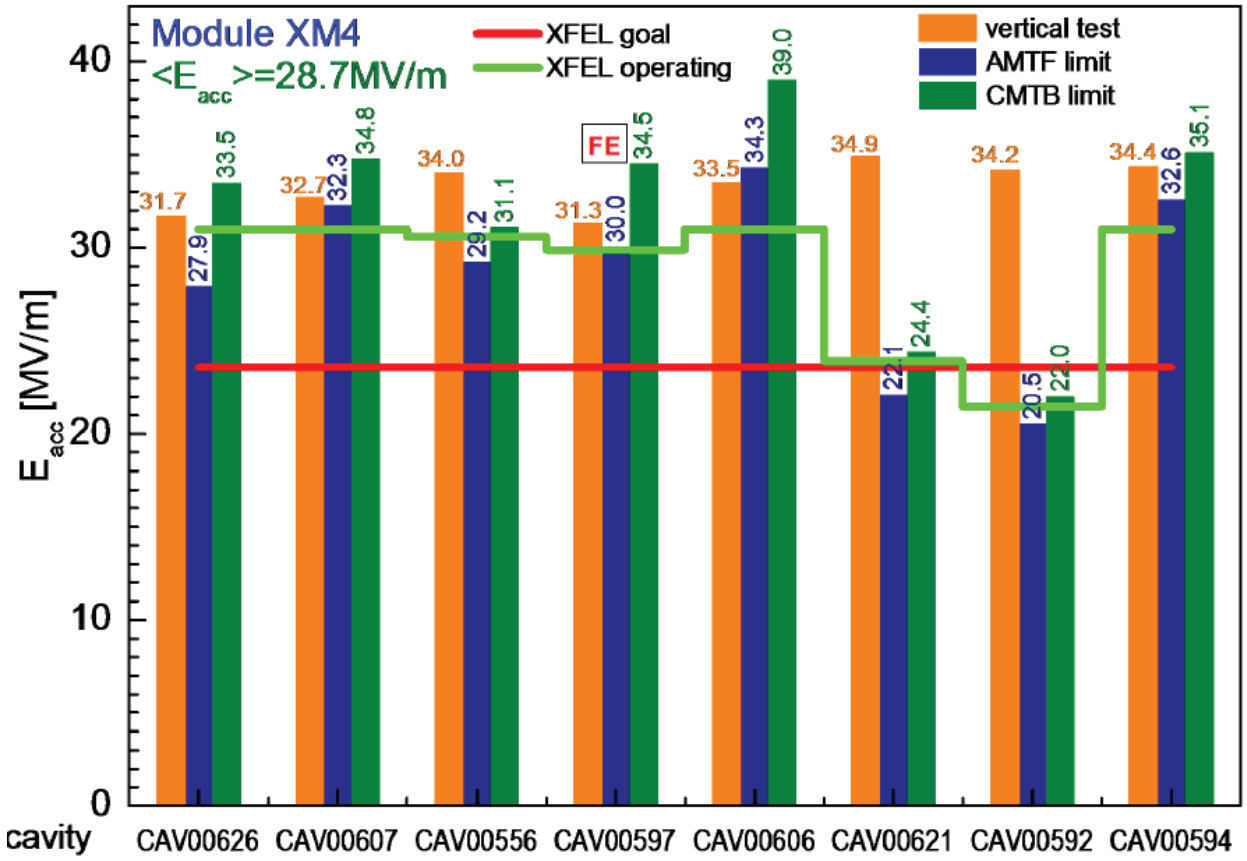
See also SRF15 MOPB080:
'*Update and Status of Test Results of the XFEL Series Accelerator Modules*'
by M. Wiencek, K. Kasprzak, A. Zwozniak (IFJ-PAN), D. Kostin, D. Reschke, N. Walker (DESY)
for a more complete and statistical analysis

About Gradient Comparison

- Accelerating gradients are the most scrutinized module performance parameters, although heat loads, alignment and PED certification are entering the acceptance criteria.
- The absolute gradient is the result of the whole production chain, from the Nb sheet to the RF module test (MT). It is mostly determined by **cavity manufacturing** and **module assembly**.
- The quality of module assembly shows in the gradient difference between cavity acceptance (VT) and module acceptance (MT).
- The VT vs. MT comparison of both the 'maximum' and the 'usable' gradients is impaired by a **systematic error:**
  - Maximum gradients depend on 1) RF duty cycle, 2) cooling conditions and, 3) magnetic environment, which are completely different from VT to MT → *mostly cavity-independent error*
  - Usable gradients depends, **in addition,** on X-Ray measurement devices which are completely different from VT to MT (to my knowledge not cross-calibrated) → *mostly cavity-independent error*
  - Finally, Q_0 is not measured in MT: therefore the MT usable gradient could correspond to **lower** or **higher** Q_0 values → *cavity-dependent error*

The Example of XM4 Module Tests

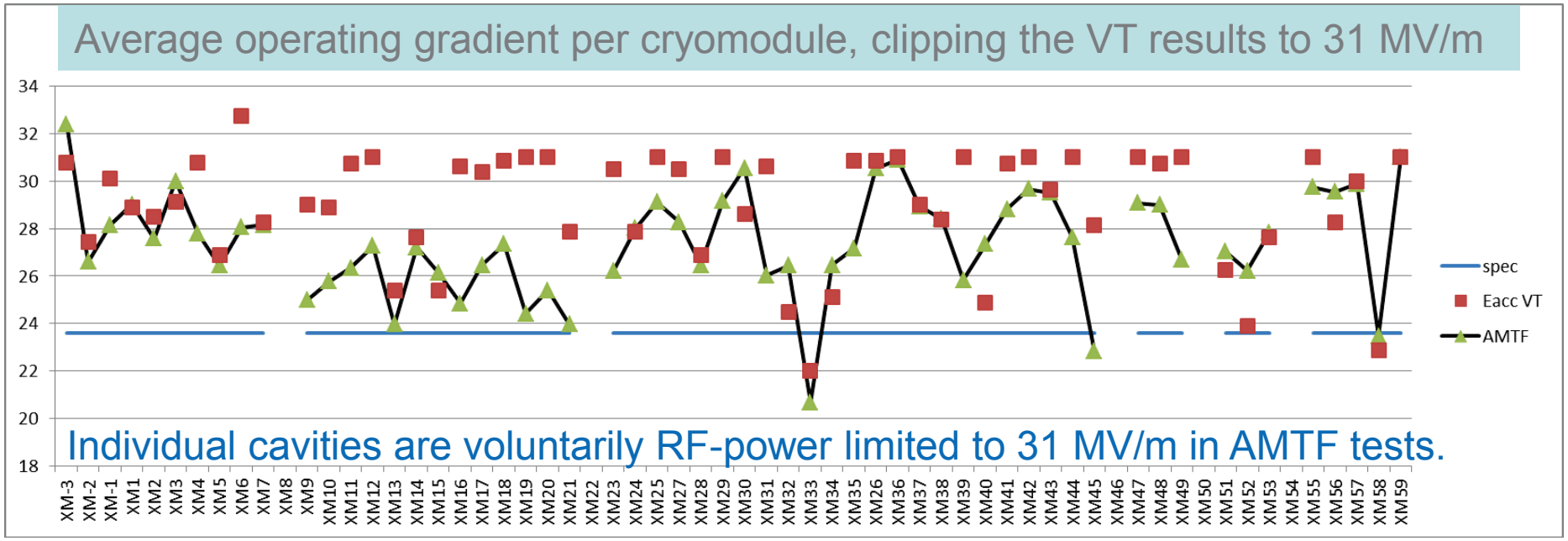
XM4 module has been tested first in AMTF and later in CMTB test stands



The two degraded cavities C6 and C7 suffer from **early quench (BD)**. They have similar performances in AMTF and CMTB.

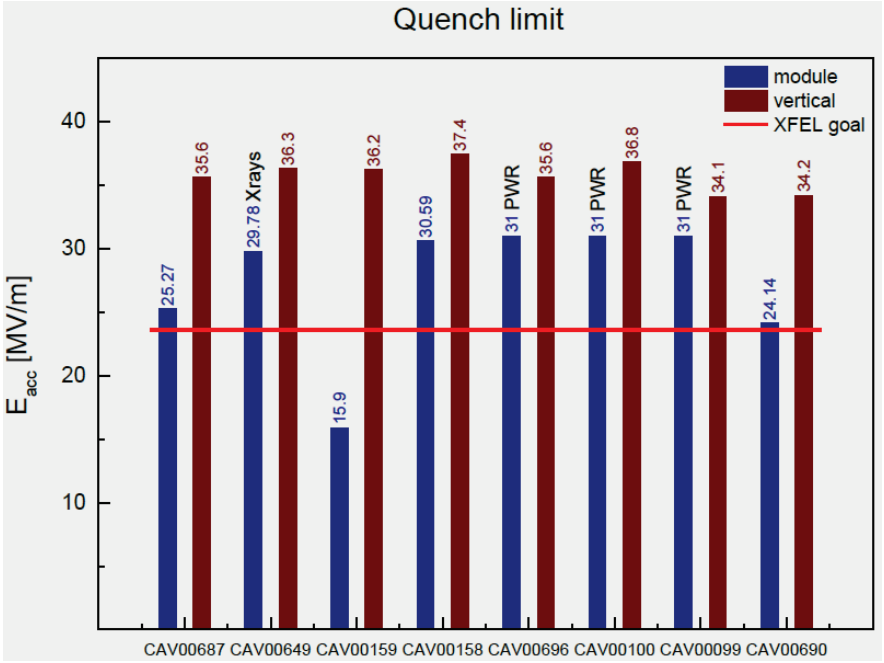
XM4 suffered from many bad assembly problems: 4 loose warm couplers, HOM detuning, missing survey data, high heat loads, and two degraded cavities: 'un module miraculé ?'

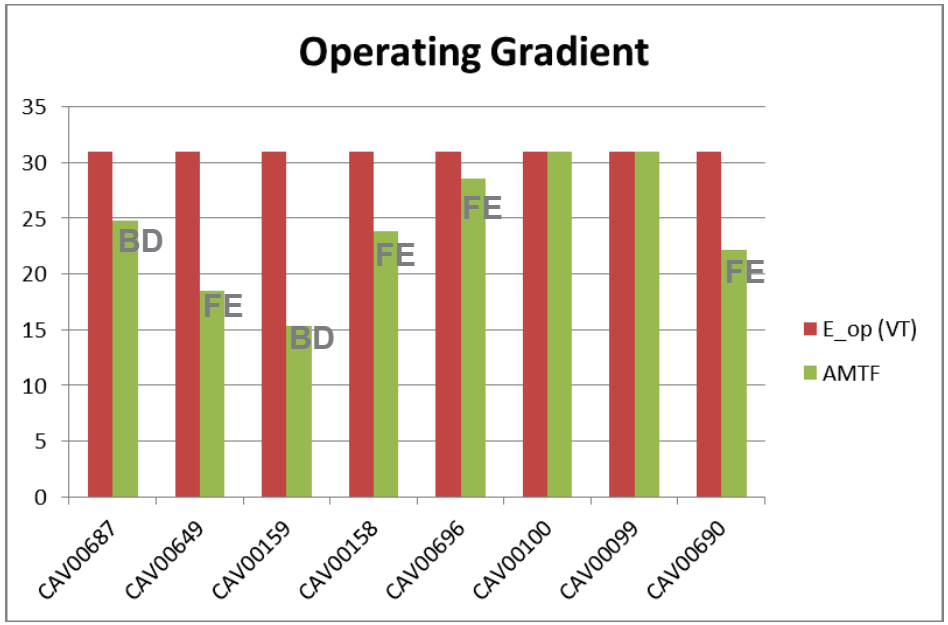
Cryomodule Performance (57 modules)



- Significant gradient degradation from XM6 to XM23, while CEA and Alsyom put all their effort in achieving production goal of 1 CM/week.
- *Pairwise RF distribution,* initially foreseen, must be *taylored* to *individual cavity RF distribution* to compensate the large inequal gradient losses.
- All but 2 of 57 tested modules are on XFEL specs (23.6 MV/m)
- Average usable gradient is 16 % above specs : $\langle E_{acc} \rangle$**= 27.4 MV/m**.

Cryomodule Performance : XM19

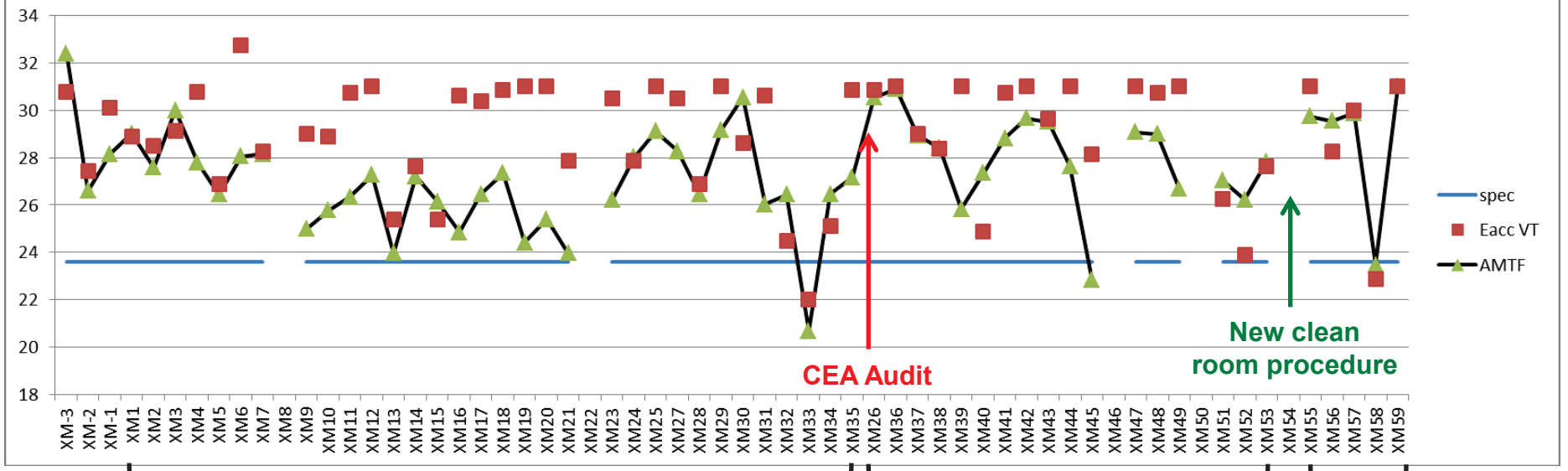




- Operating gradient $\langle E_{acc} \rangle$ = 21,2 MV/m for the pairwise RF distribution. It goes up to $\langle E_{acc} \rangle$ = 24,4 MV/m after tayloring for individual cavity performance.
- Many causes for Field Emission and Early Quench, impairing many modules, were suspected and investigated. None of them was convincingly isolated: no ‘smoking gun’.

Cryomodule Performance

Average useable gradient per cryomodule, clipping the VT results to 31 MV/m



Average gradient loss
(*ctsy N. Walker*)

1st sample of 32 series CM	2nd sample of 16 series CM	last 5 series CM
ΔE_{max} = 3.0 MV/m	ΔE_{max} = 1.4 MV/m	$\Delta E_{op} = 0^{+}$ MV/m
ΔE_{op} = 2.1 MV/m	ΔE_{op} = 0.9 MV/m	

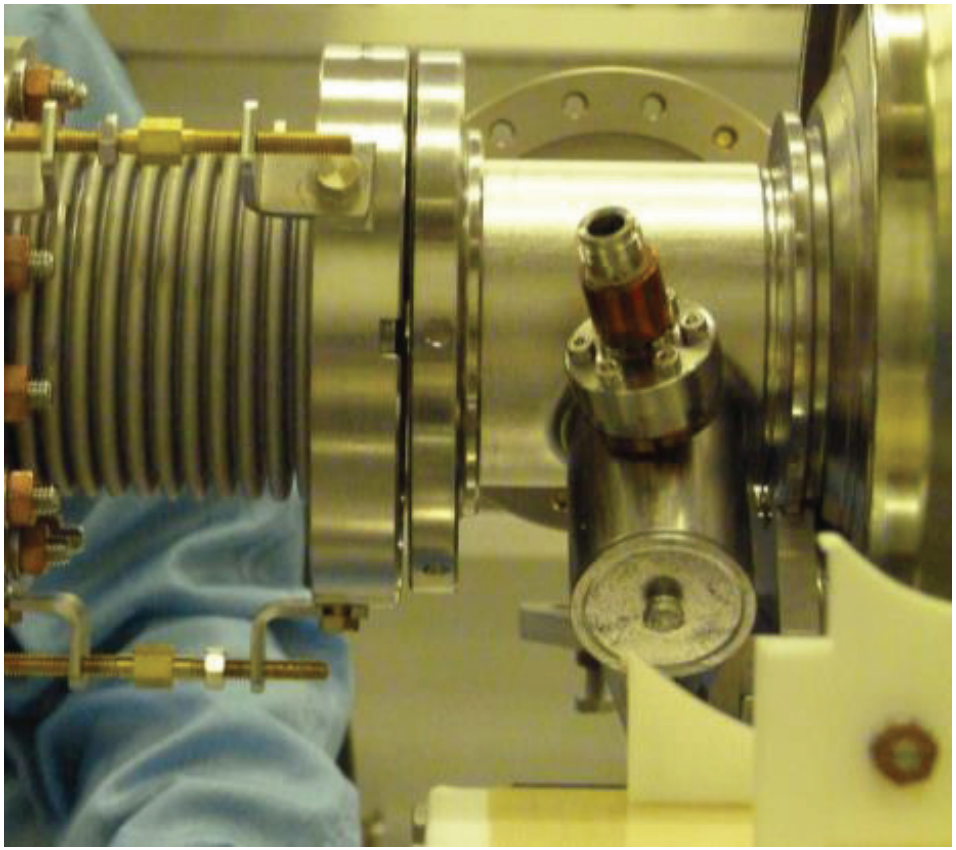
- An audit of string and module assembly was conducted by CEA on XM26
- The new variant of the clean room procedures was introduced at XM54
  (see SRF15 / MOPB118 '*Cleanliness and vacuum acceptance tests of for the UHV cavity string of the XFEL linac'* by S. Berry et al.)

XM26 Clean Room Assembly Audit

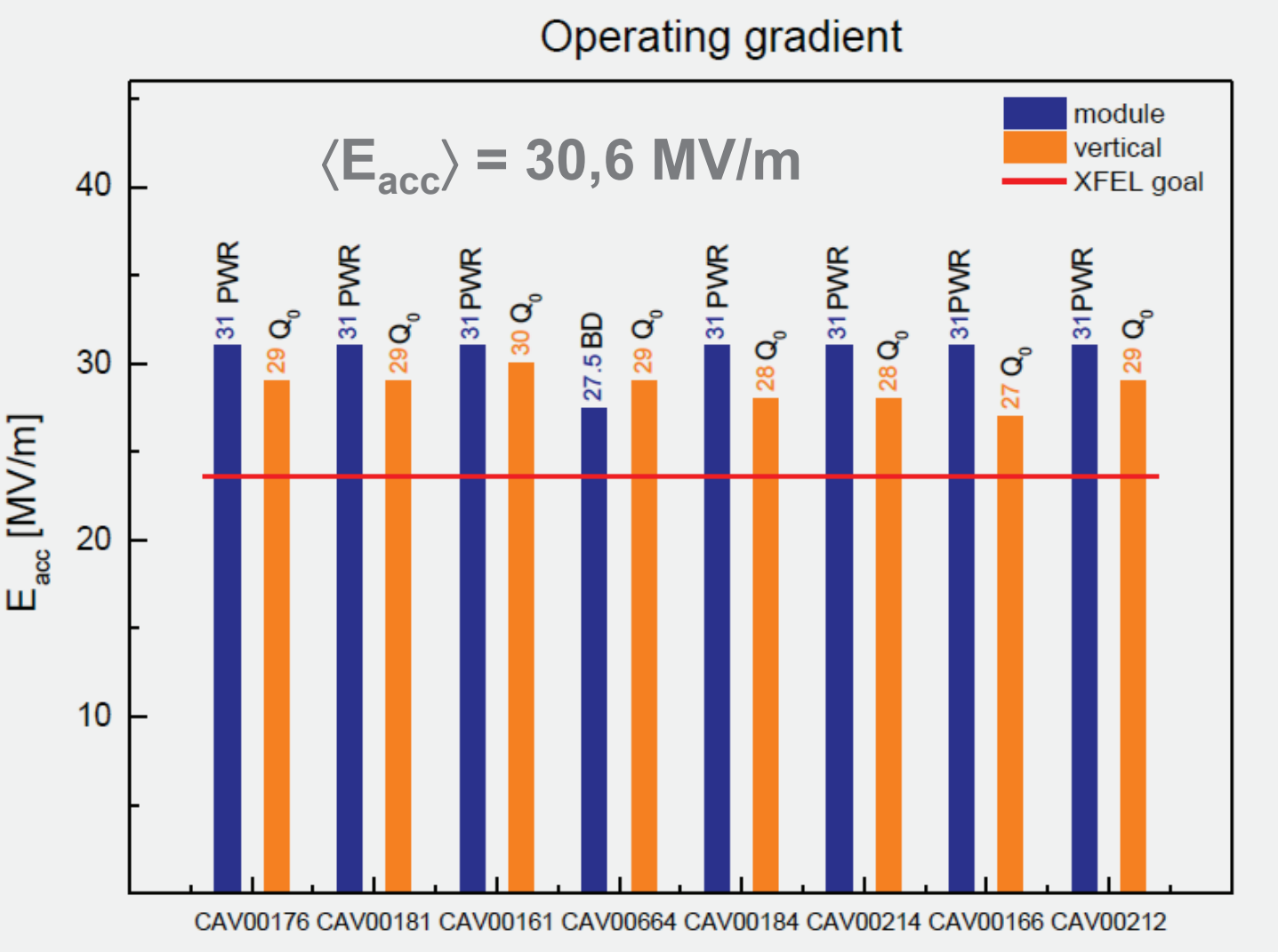
Audit Findings:

- Operators walk too fast in the clean room.
- Record the cleanliness level (< 10 particles / min) reached on the angle valve before the pump connections to the cavity (CC and SA).
- Two operators are requested to connect cavity to the pumping system (CC and SA).
- Two operators are requested to position inter-cavity bellows and screw first 4 studs (SA).
- Pre-alignment of parts (coupler and cavity flanges at CC, inter-cavity bellow/cavity-coupler-side flange at SA) is requested for easy and clean assembly.
- Improvement of operator positions versus critical RF surfaces (avoid top assembly, request seated).
- Gate valve connection to pumping system procedure has been reviewed recently to ensure better cleanliness (CC).

Observation during XM26 assembly

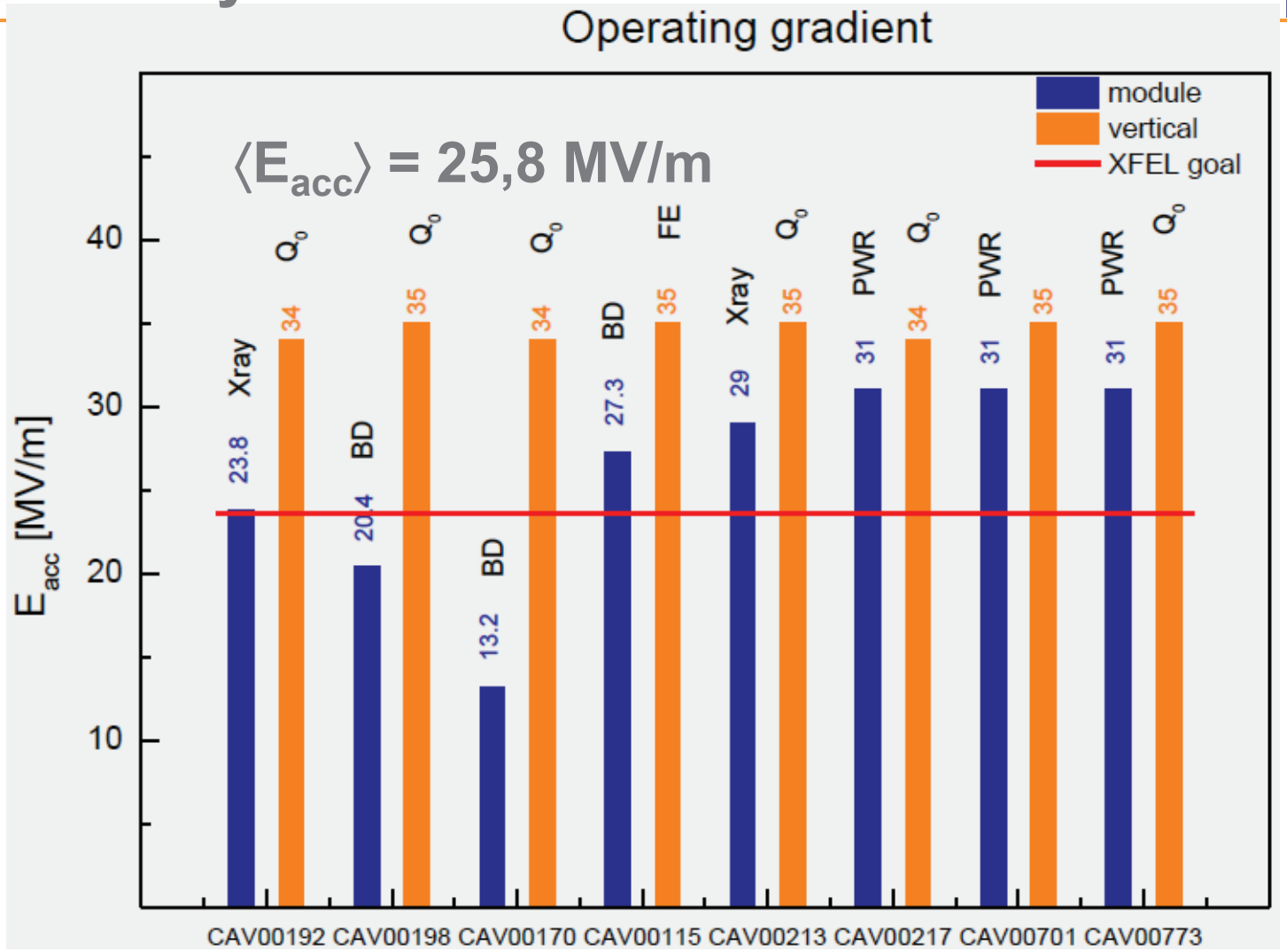


Cryomodule Performance : XM30



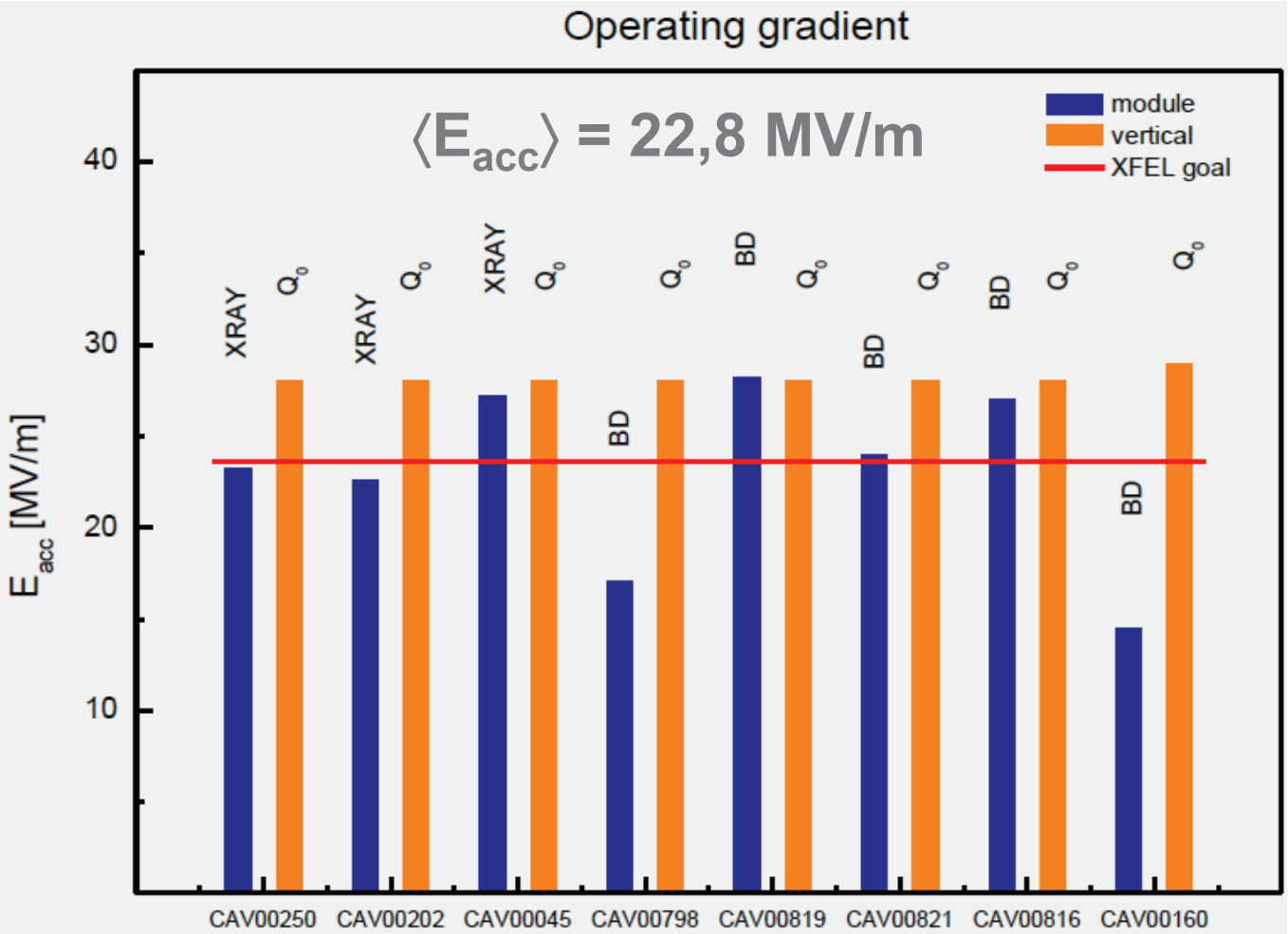
XM30 is an excellent module, though assembled before the audit

Cryomodule Performance : XM39



XM39 is a poorly performing module, though assembled after the audit

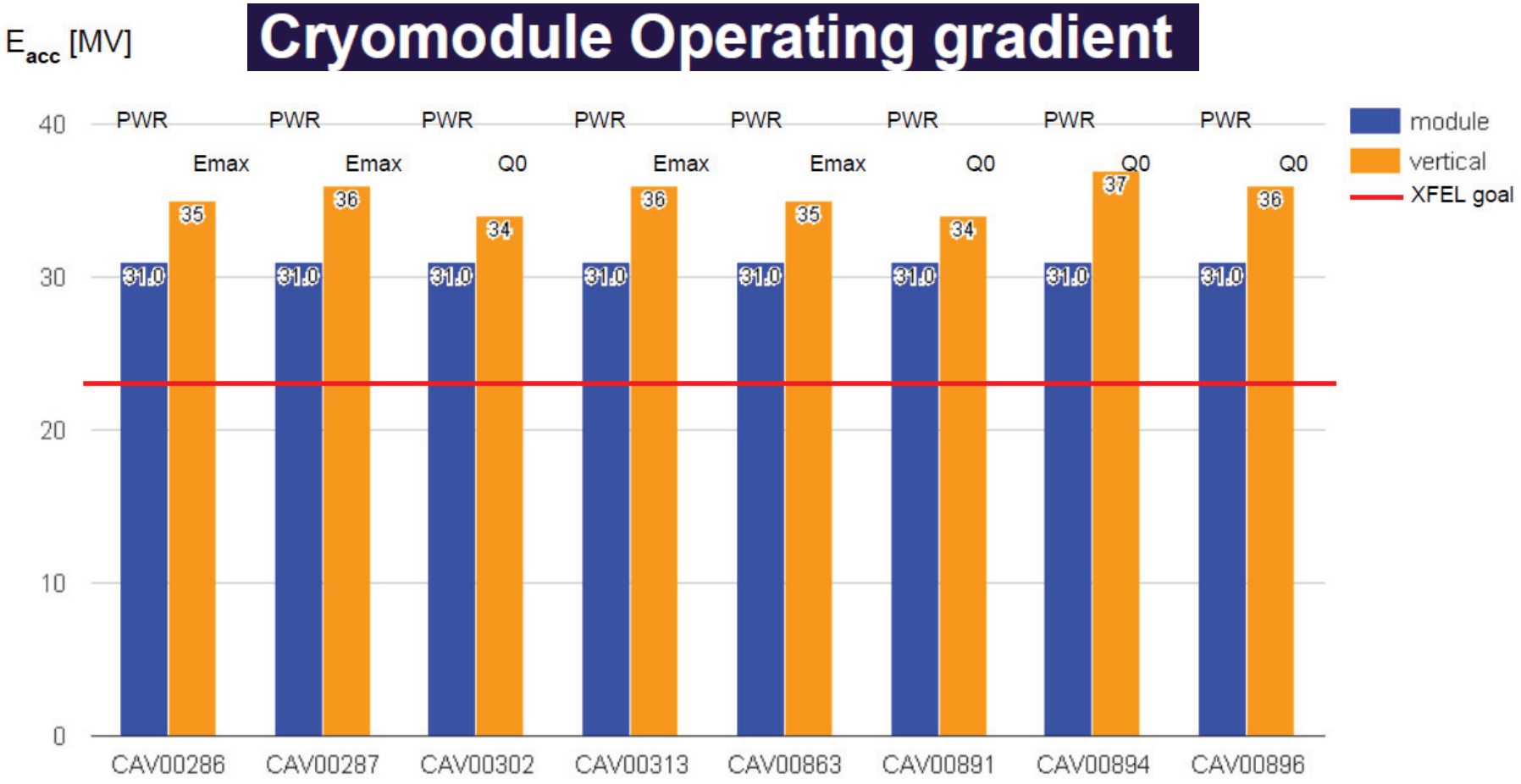
Cryomodule Performance : XM45



XM45 string assembly was interrupted by an **accidental electric shutdown in the clean room** while the string of 3 cavities was under N2-flushing. No good explanation for cavities 4 and 8 degradations.

Cryomodule Performance : XM59

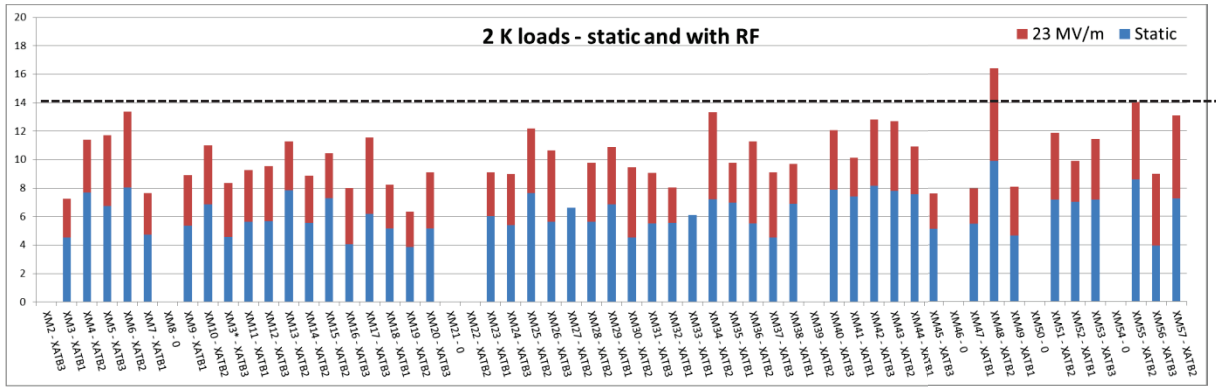
Cryomodule Operating gradient



$\langle E_{acc} \rangle = 31$ MV/m

XM59 is an excellent module, assembled after the change of CR procedure.

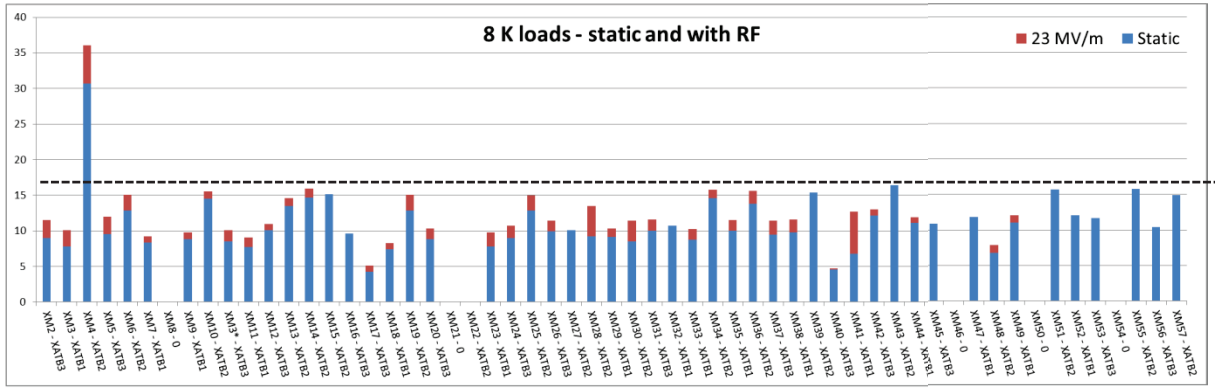
Cryogenic Heat Loads



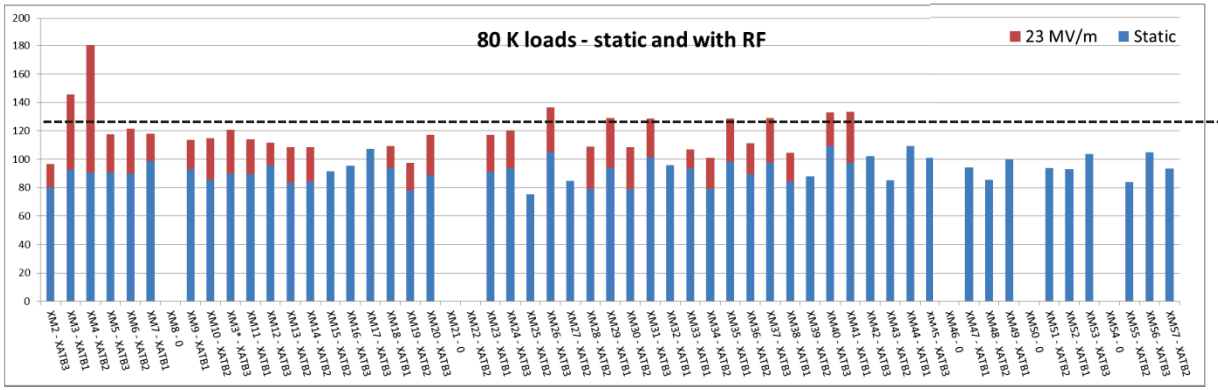
Specs for static + dynamic loads

14 W at 2K

Dynamic heat loads are measured at 23,6 MV/m



16 W at 5/8K



125 W at 40/80K

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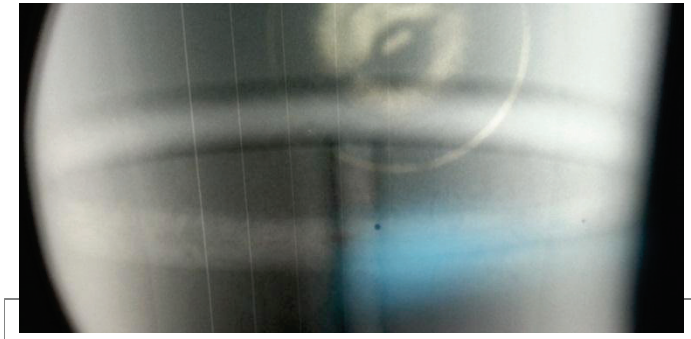
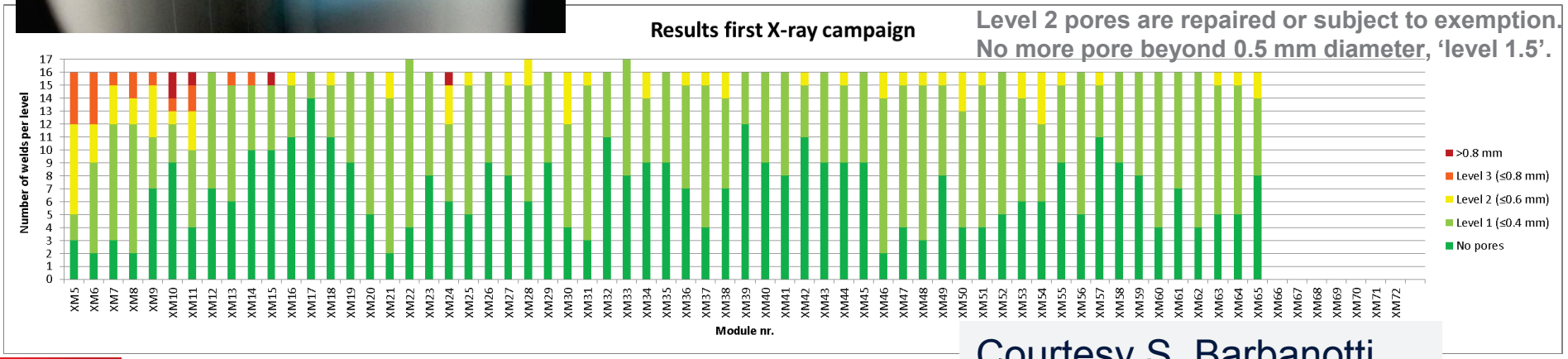
PED Certification of He-Tank Ti Welds

- Implementing and complying to the PED certification, in particular the RT norms ‘NF EN ISO 17636-1 (2013) class B ’ for the execution and ‘NF EN ISO 10675-1 (2013) level 1’ for the interpretation, was a major effort over the year 2013, spanning XM-1 to XM11 modules.
- The porosity problem in the Titanium orbital welds was overcome by a combination of process cleanliness, US cleaning of Ti-bellows and welder ‘humility’.



- Alsyom has now two good welders and one excellent welding coordinator within the ‘EN ISO 3834-2’ norm.



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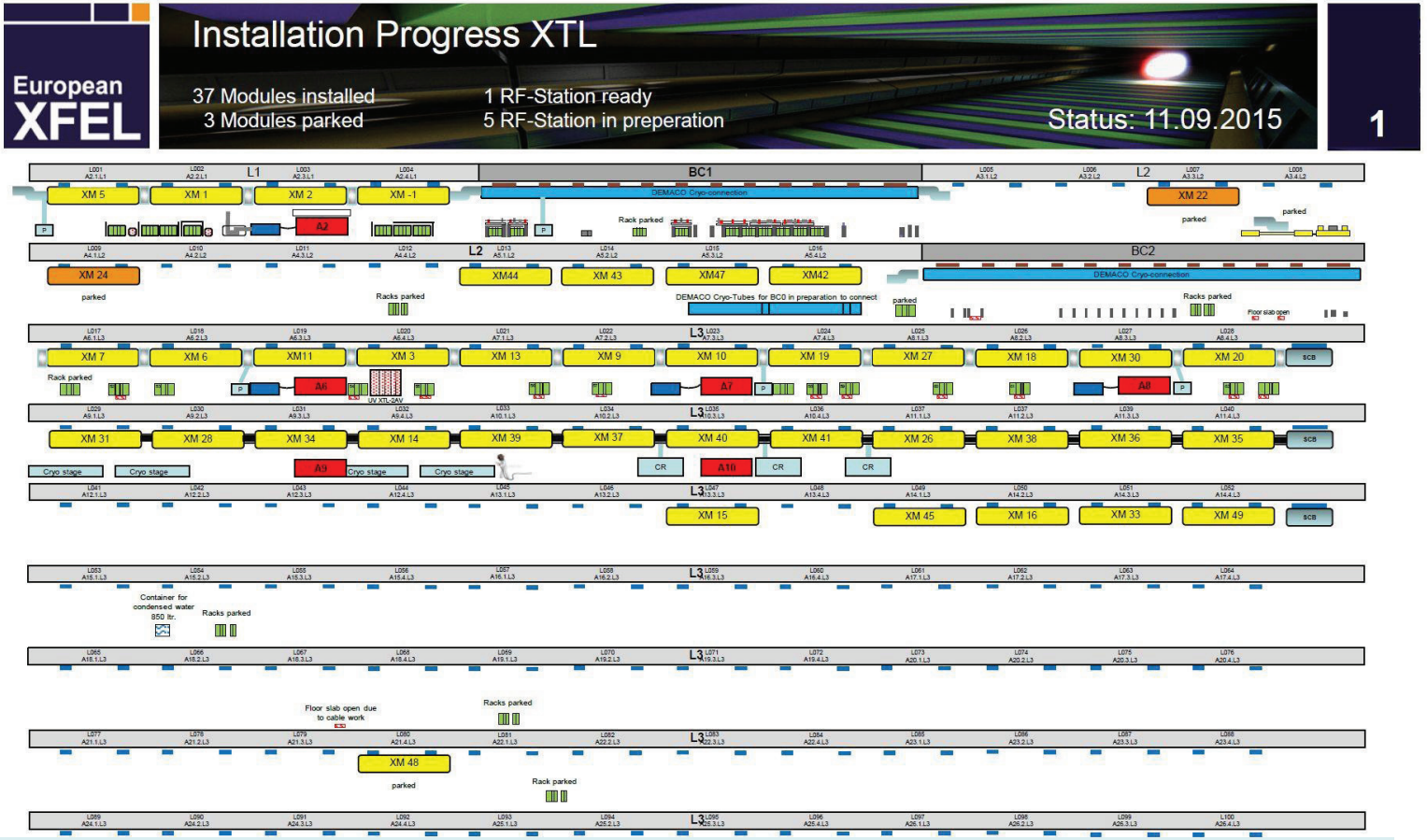
Module Tunnel Installation: 1+37 modules



The energy reach of the 56 modules tested so far is 12.7 GeV (94% of VT average gradient)

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  4. 'Mastering' the industrial operator
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  This process depends inevitably on the early availability of the cryomodule components: '*Practice makes perfect*'
- The difficulties of coupler assembly had been under-estimated by CEA
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  2. about 8 couplers (both cold part and warm part) have been damaged due to bad manipulation and/or bad assembly.
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Wait for their sixties …☺

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