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HISTORY AND STATUS

DESIGN, date 1961-62 Model tests 1961-63
 ENG DESIGN, date 1962-64
 CONSTRUCTION, date 1962-65
 FIRST BEAM, (date (or goal) int. 1965; ext. 1966
 MAJOR ALTERATIONS None

COST, ACCELERATOR £1.2 x 10⁶
 COST, FACILITY, total £1.6 x 10⁶
 FUNDED BY U.K.A.E.A.

ACCELERATOR STAFF, OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

SCIENTISTS 1 ENGINEERS 1
 TECHNICIANS 8 CRAFTS 9

GRAD STUDENTS involved during year -
 OPERATED BY Research staff or Operators
 OPERATION 80 hr/wk. On target 65 hr/wk
 TIME DISTR. in house 80%, outside 20%
 BUDGET, op & dev £750K

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RESEARCH STAFF, not included above

USERS, in house 6 outside 6
 GRAD STUDENTS involved during year 4

RESEARCH BUDGET, in house
 FUNDED BY U.K.A.E.A./Isotope Sales/EURATOM

MAGNET

POLE FACE, diameter (compact) 178 cm, R-extraction 80 cm
 R injection 2-7 cm
 GAP, min 19 cm, Field 21.6 kG
 max 43 cm, Field 13.1 kG at 5.5 x 10⁵
 AVERAGE FIELD at R ext 17 kG Ampere turns
 B max / < B > 1.30

NUMBER OF SECTORS {compact 3} Spiral, max 48 deg

SECTOR ANGLE (SSC) deg
 TRIMMING COILS 12 circular coils for field trimming;
 3 coils per sector for harmonic correction

CONDUCTOR, material and type Copper
 STORED ENERGY (cryogenic) 2 MJ
 POWER: main coils 300 max kW; current stability 2 x 10⁻⁵
 trimming coils 650 max kW; current stability 2 x 10⁻⁴
 WEIGHT: Fe 170 tons; coils 10 tons
 COOLING system Demineralised water
 ION ENERGY (Bending limit) E/A = 86 q²/A² MeV/amu
 (Focusing limit) E/A = 65 q/A MeV/amu

ACCELERATION SYSTEM

DEES, number 1 angle 180 deg
 BEAM APERTURE 4.5 cm; DC Bias 0 kV
 TUNED by, coarse Short plane fine Trim cap.
 RF 7.5 to 23 MHz, stable ± 1 x 10⁻⁸
 Orb F 1.1 to 20.6 MHz
 HARMONICS, RF/Orb F, used 1, 3, 5, 7, 9
 DEE-Gnd, max 80 kV, min gap 0.7 cm
 STABILITY, (pk-pk noise)/(pk RF volt) 0.001
 ENERGY GAIN, max kV/turn
 RF PHASE, stable to ± deg
 RF POWER input, max 200 kW
 FREQUENCY MODULATION, rate /s
 modulator, type
 beam pulse, width

VACUUM SYSTEM

OPERATING PRESSURE 1 x 10⁻⁶ Torr or mbar
 PUMPS, No, Type, Size 3 oil diffusion pumps (one 60 cm and two 76 cm); Liq. N₂ cryopanel

ION SOURCES

Internal Penning

INJECTION SYSTEM

Internal ion source
EXTRACTION SYSTEM 2 channel electrostatic deflector + magnetic channel (for radial focussing)

FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH

SHIELDED AREA, fixed 360 m²; movable 0 m²
 TARGET STATIONS 7 in 3 rooms
 STATIONS served at same time, max 1
 MAG SPECTROGRAPH, type
 COMPUTER model PDP II

OTHER FACILITIES 1. Isotope Production Rig with variable target assemblies, 2. Radiation Damage Rig with temp. control and programmed beam scanning and target rocking.

CHARACTERISTIC BEAMS

PARTICLE	ENERGY (MeV)		CURRENT (µA)	
	Goal	Achieved	Internal	External
p		60	80	70
16O ⁶⁺		190	0.2	0.1
40Ar ⁸⁺		132	0.2	0.1
58Ni ⁶⁺ 10+		50, 150	14, 0.02	7, 0.01
SECONDARY				(part/s)

BEAM PROPERTIES

MEASURED	CONDITIONS	
	µA of	MeV
PULSE WIDTH 20-40 RF deg	µA of	MeV
PHASE EXC. max RF deg	µA of	MeV
EXTRACT eff. 85 %	50 µA of	60 MeV
RESOL ΔE/E 0.25 %	20 µA of	60 MeV
EMITTANCE		
(π mm-mrad) 7 axial	10 µA of	60 MeV
7 rad		

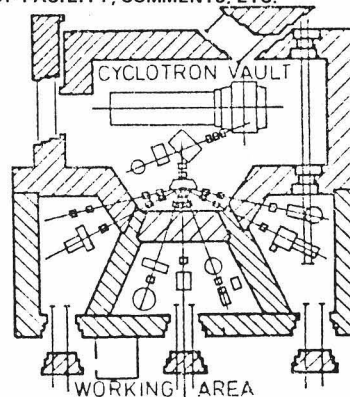
OPERATING PROGRAMS, time distribution

BASIC NUCLEAR PHYSICS 8% SOLID STATES PHYSICS
 BIOMEDICAL APPLICAT. ISOTOPE PRODUCTIONS 26%
 Nuclear Chemistry 6% Radiation Chemistry 2%
 Radiation Damage 43% Development 15%

REFERENCES/NOTES

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PLAN VIEW OF FACILITY, COMMENTS, ETC.



The cyclotron delivers routinely beams of light ions (p, d, α) for radio-isotope production, medium heavy ions (Li, B, C, N, O, Ne) for nuclear underlying work and metal ions (Cr, Fe, Ni) for radiation damage studies.

There are also available a number of 'mixed beams' which have been specially developed for radiation damage work on fusion reactor materials.