



# Status of the High Current Proton Accelerator for the TRASCO Program

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# The TRASCO Program

TRASCO: conceptual study and the prototyping of components for an accelerator driven system for nuclear waste transmutation, and involves research agencies and Italian companies

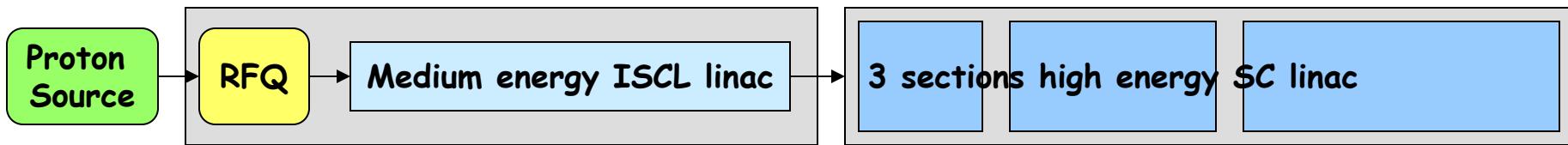
- TRASCO/ACC
  - Accelerator studies: lead by INFN
- TRASCO/SS
  - Subcritical reactor studies: lead by ENEA

TRASCO/ACC (1998-2004, in three funding stages) is devoted to:

- Conceptual design of a high current superconducting proton linac
  - $I=30 \text{ mA}$ ,  $E = 1 \text{ GeV}$
- Construction and R&D activities on key items:
  - an 80 kV, 35 mA proton source (**INFN - LNS**)
  - a 5 MeV, 30 mA, CW RFQ (**INFN - LNL**)
  - SC cavity prototypes for low  $\beta$  cavities ( $< 100 \text{ MeV}$ ) (**INFN - LNL**)
  - SC cavity prototypes for  $\beta = 0.47$  elliptical cavities (**INFN - MI**)
  - SC cavity prototypes for  $\beta = 0.85$  sputtered cavities (**INFN - GE**)
  - engineering of elliptical SC linac components (cryomodules, etc.) (**INFN - MI**)

# The Reference Linac Design

80 keV      5 MeV      ~100 MeV      200 MeV      500 MeV      >1000 MeV



Source	RFQ	ISCL	High Energy SC Linac
Microwave RF Source 80 keV	High transmission 95% 30 mA, 5 MeV (352 MHz)	5 - 85/100 MeV SC linac  Baseline design: Reentrant cavities (352 MHz)  Alternative design: Spoke, $\lambda/2$ , $\lambda/4$ , ladder  $8\beta\lambda$ FODO focussing with sc magnets	3 section linac: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 85/100 - 200 MeV, <math>\beta=0.47</math></li><li>- 200 - 500 MeV, <math>\beta=0.65</math></li><li>- 500 - 1000/2000 MeV, <math>\beta=0.85</math></li></ul> Five(six) cell elliptical cavities Quadrupole doublet focussing: multi-cavity cryostats between doublets <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 704.4 MHz</li></ul>

Beam Dynamics 

High intensity (tens mA) proton sources exist

- Chalk River, Los Alamos, CEA-Saclay

ADS asks for high reliability and availability

Additional efforts are required for:

- Voltage and current stability
- Control of the low beam emittance

Design in 1999, source in LNS in May 2000

Achievements:

- First beam of 20 mA @ 60 kV in Jan 2001
- 80 kV, 55 mA operation in Aug 2001

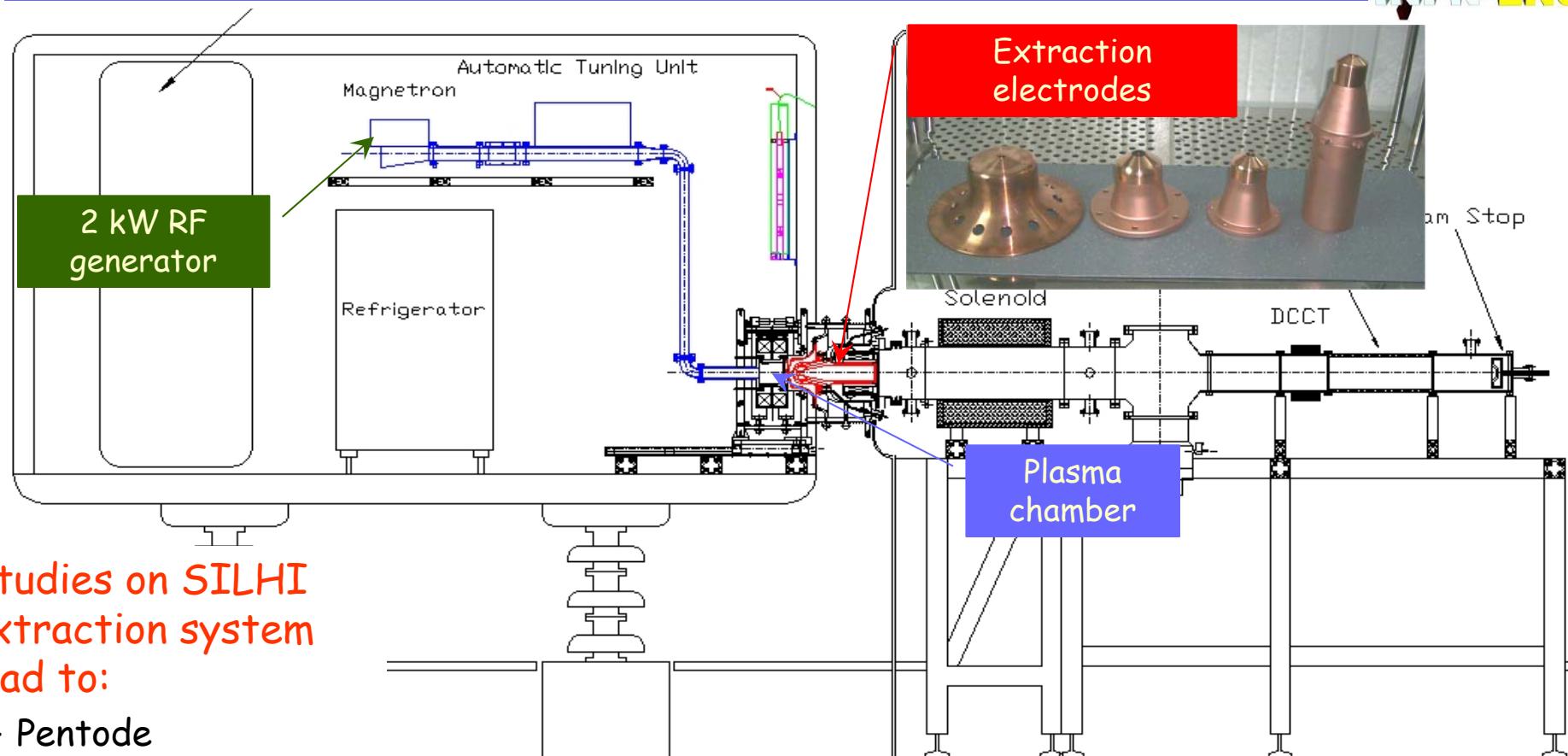
Off-resonance microwave discharge source  
(2.45 GHz), based on SILHI (CEA/Saclay)

TRIPS Goals:	Achieved
Proton Beam current	35 mA
	55 mA (~90% p.f.)
Beam emittance	$0.2 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$
	To be measured
Operating voltage	80 kV
	80 kV

Reported at EPAC2000, PAC2001



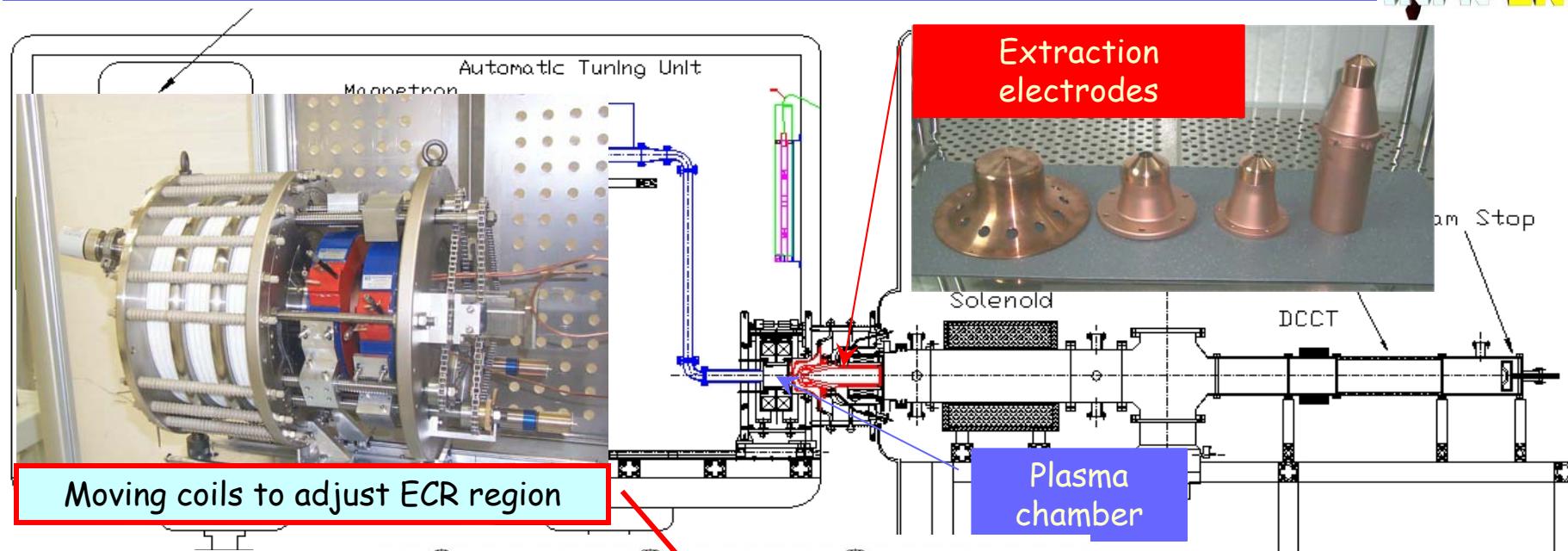
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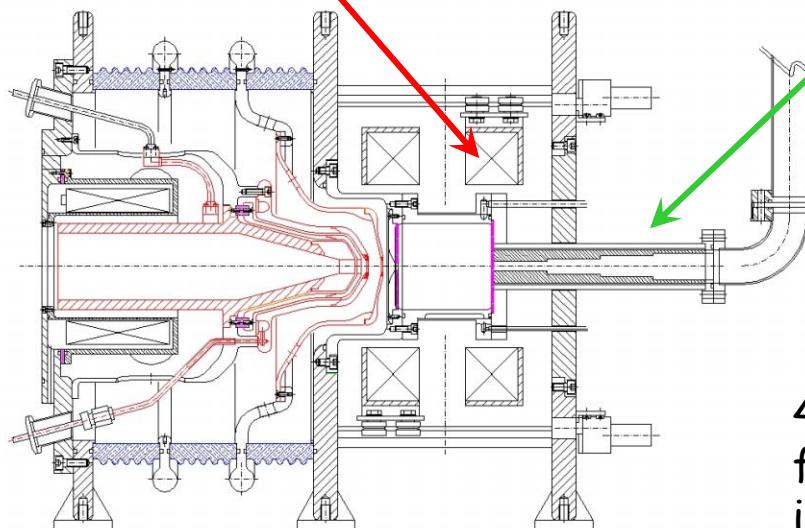
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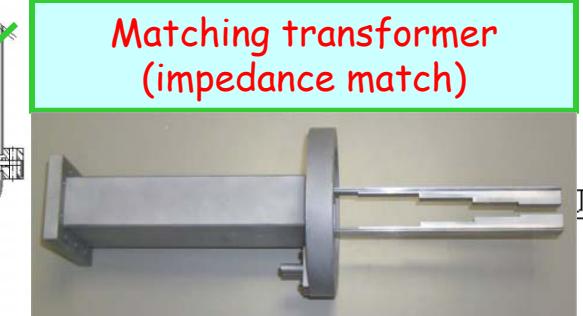


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Matching transformer  
(impedance match)



4-step binomial transformer  
for waveguide to plasma  
impedance matching

# Performances and recent development

A rms emittance below  $0.2 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$  has been calculated with beam dynamics simulations, crosschecking different codes

- Emittance unit from CEA is being shipped to Catania for measurements

LEBT for beam analysis and characterization:

- Solenoid (focussing)
- Beam alignment monitor
- 2 current transformers for beam current measurements
- 10 kW beam stop



Reliability tests have been performed:

- at 65 kV/15 mA: 24 h with no beam interruptions
- Tests at 80 kV are underway (improving)

A new control system for automatic restart procedures after discharge is being implemented



# Low Energy Linac

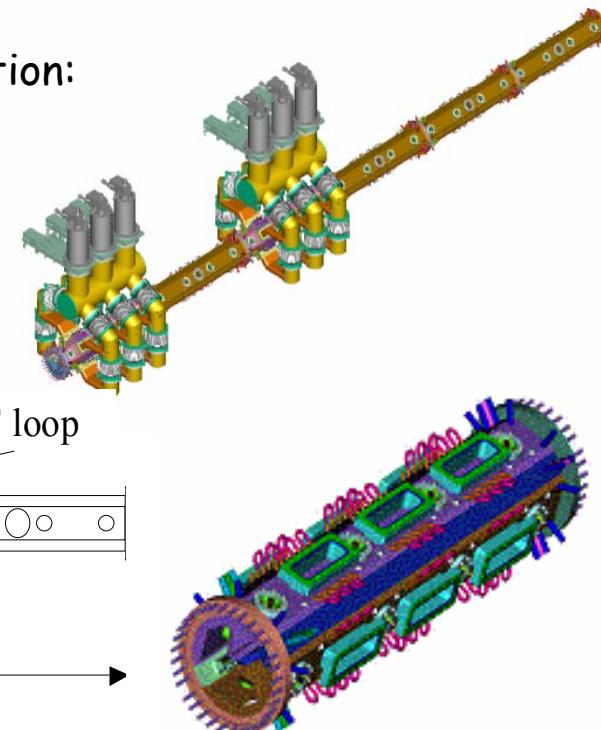
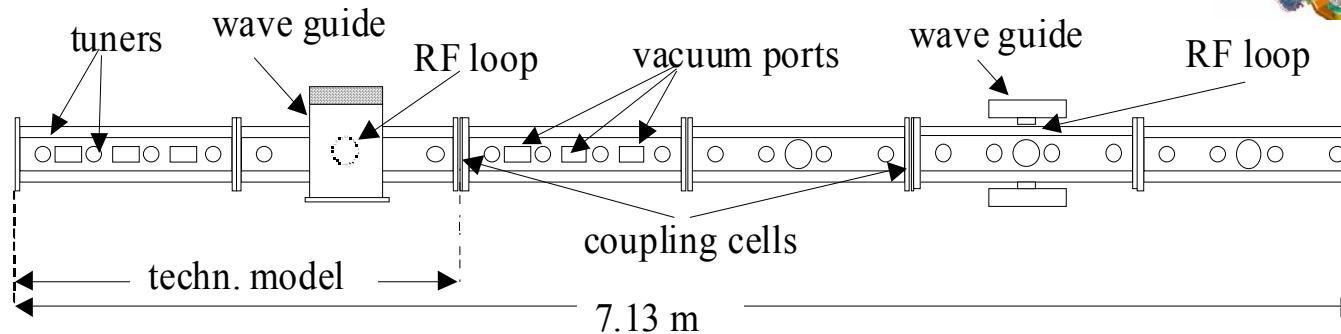
Papers contributed to this  
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The low energy linac is split in two components:

- A normal conducting CW Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ): from 80 keV to 5 MeV

- **RFQ** design: 3 resonantly coupled segments. Modulation:
    - Radial match in the structure
    - Shaper
    - Gentle buncher (from dc to 352.2 MHz bunches)
    - Accelerator (boosts up to 5 MeV, longest portion)



- A **superconducting linac (ISCL)**: from 5 MeV to 100 MeV

- Reentrant cavities for highest availability (allowing beam on with 1 cavity off)
  - $\lambda/4$ ,  $\lambda/2$  cavities
  - Spoke cavities

Different optimization procedure for TRASCO RFQ w.r.t. LEDA

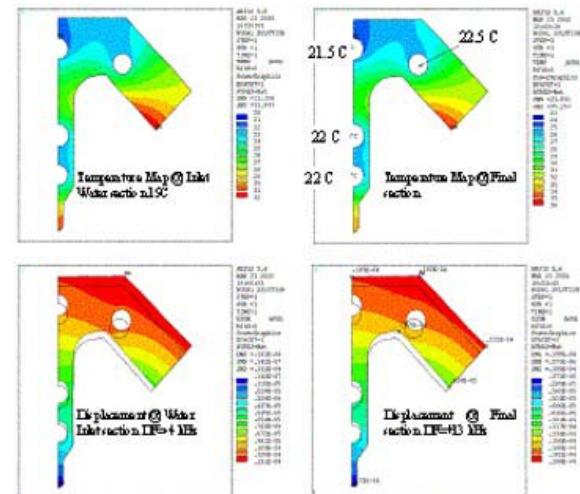
- Limit to 1 RF source (1.3 MW CERN-LEP klystron)
- Lower design current of 30 mA (transmission of 96%)
- Peak surface electric field is 33 MV/m, 1.8 Kilpatrick limit
- Simplified engineering/manufacturing choices

Substantial heat dissipation in the structure ~ 600 kW total

Three resonantly coupled segments

TRASCO RFQ:	
Beam current	30 mA (96 % transmission)
Beam emittance	0.2 $\pi$ mm mrad T
	0.18 $\pi$ deg MeV L
Final Energy	5 MeV
Length	7.13 m (3 sections)
RF Power	150 kW (beam)
	600 kW (structure)
Peak Field	1.8 Kilpatrick

Poster THPLE083:  
Field tuning of the  
TRASCO RFQ



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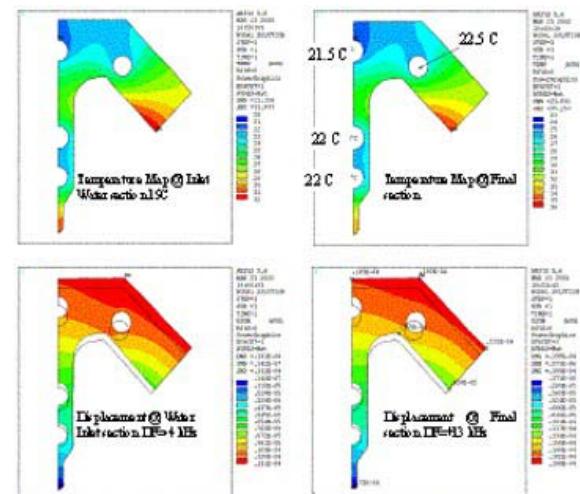
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TRASCO RFQ:	
Beam current	30 mA (96 % transmission)
Copper dominated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not space charge limited</li> <li>- Not beam loading limited</li> <li>- 150 kW to beam</li> <li>- 600 kW to copper</li> </ul>
Peak Field	1.8 Kilpatrick

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# RFQ: fabrication tests

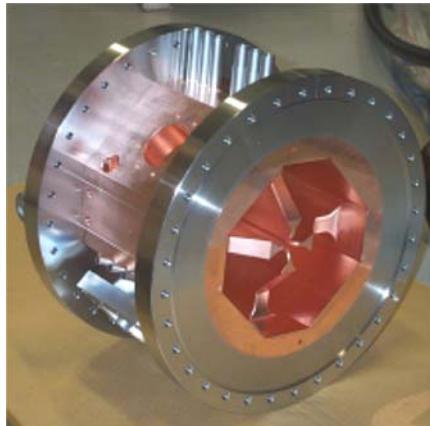
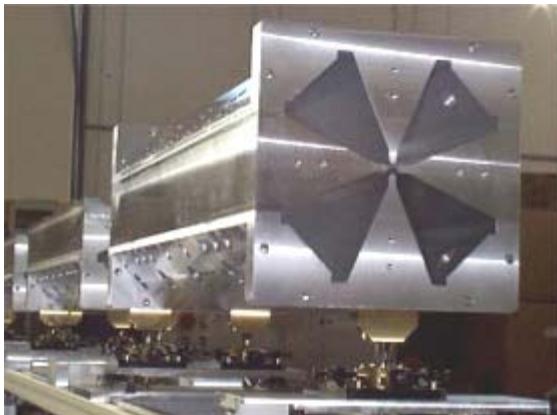
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A 3 m Al model of the structure has been built and measured at LNL, and achieved the necessary field stabilization

A 220 mm part of the structure has been built to test the full fabrication procedures

- Brazing
- Water channels by long (1 m) drilling

Full structure is under fabrication



# Superconducting low energy linac

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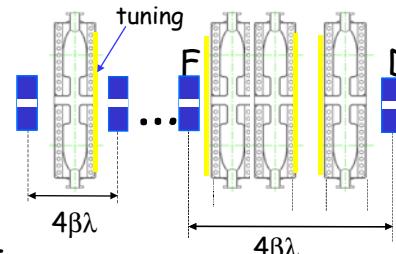
## Single or two-gap structure linac

- Moderate energy gain/cavity
- Solid state RF amplifiers
- $8 \beta\lambda$  focussing lattice

Various options, are being considered

- Reentrant cavities
- Spoke cavities
- $\lambda/4$  cavities
- ladder

Quarter Wave resonator (QWR) 2 gap structure of the ALPI linac in INFN-LNL

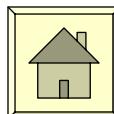


2 gap spoke cavity

Poster **TUPLE121**: A 2.5 kW, Low Cost 352 MHz Solid State RF Amplifier for CW and Pulsed Operation

Poster **THPDO022**:  
RF testing of the TRASCO SC Reentrant Cavity for High Intensity Proton Beams

Reentrant cavity single gap structure. He Vessel integrated in the cavity



# The high energy linac

Conceptual design of the 3 section linac

Development and test of prototype cavities

- At 352 MHz with the LEP II sputtering technology
- At 704 MHz, bulk niobium, for the lowest  $\beta$

Design and engineering of cavity components and ancillaries

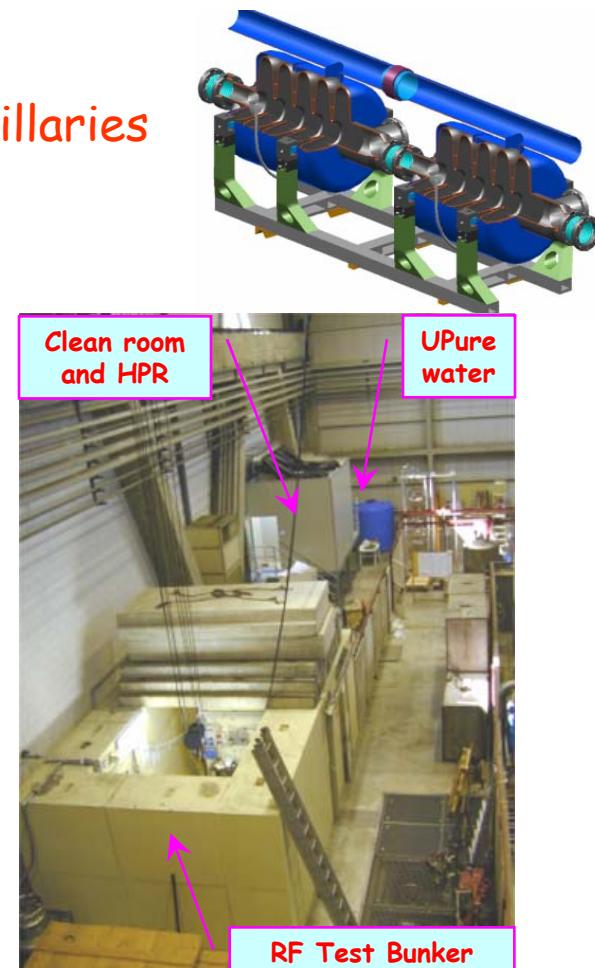
- Cryomodule, tuner system, piezo damping, ...

RF Test infrastructure

Designed with high current beam dynamics criteria to avoid emittance growth (smooth, tune resonances, ...)

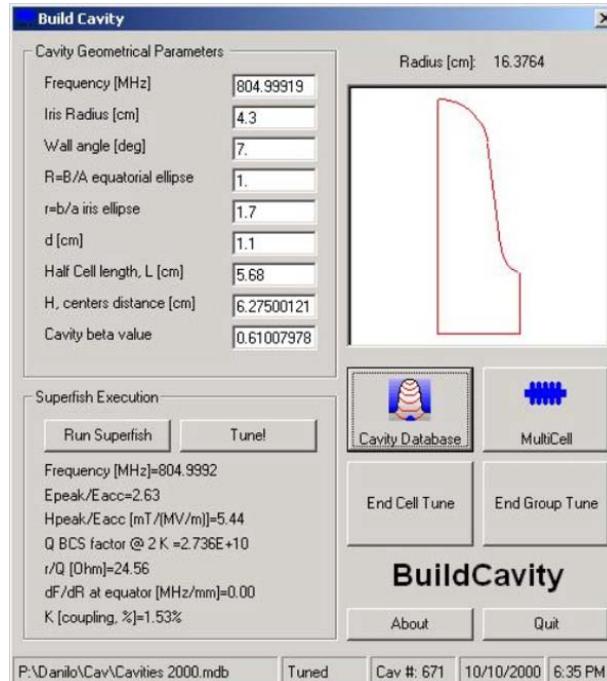
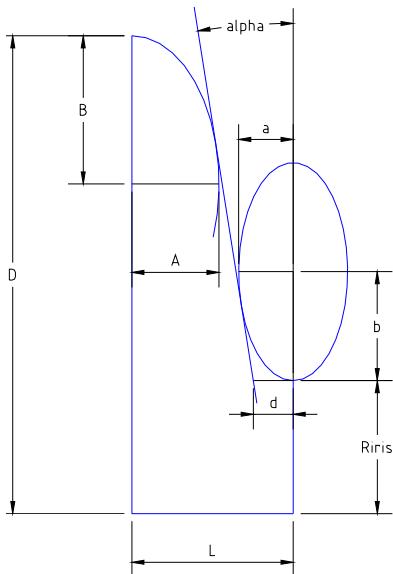
Section $\beta$	0.47	0.65	0.85
# cells/cavity	5	5	6
Length	50 m	93 m	102 m
Initial/Final Energy	100 MeV	190 MeV	480 MeV
	190 MeV	480 MeV	1 GeV
Doublet period	4.2 m	5.8 m	8.5 m
# periods	12	16	12
# cavities in section	24	48	48
Max. Eacc (MV/m)	8.5 MV/m	10.2 MV/m	12.3 MV/m

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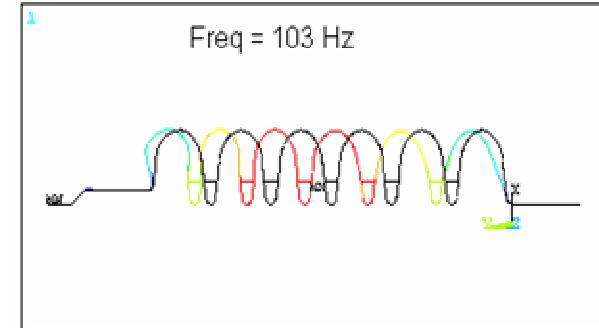


# Conceptual design: cavity design

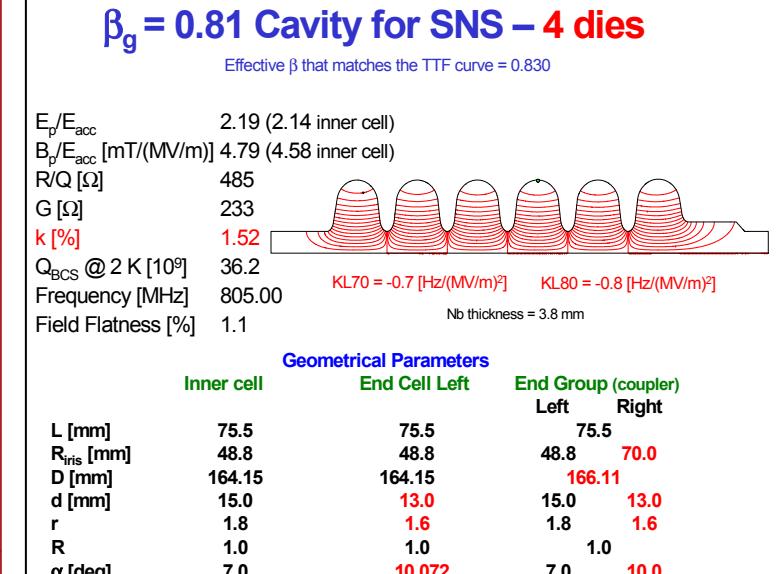
- Parametric tool for the analysis of the cavity shape on the electromagnetic (and mechanical) parameters
- Inner cell tuning is performed through the diameter, all the characteristic cell parameters stay constant:  $R$ ,  $r$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $d$ ,  $L$ ,  $R_{iris}$
- End cell tuning is performed through the wall angle inclination,  $\alpha$ , or distance,  $d$ .  $R$ ,  $L$  and  $R_{iris}$  are set independently
- End groups for a 4 die cavity can be tuned using the end cell diameter (and  $a, d, R, L, R_{iris}$  are set independently)



Longitudinal eigenmode analysis

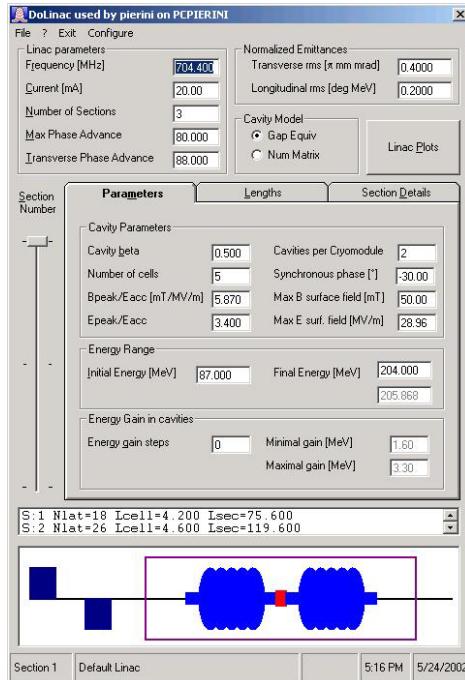


Tool used also for the SNS cavity design

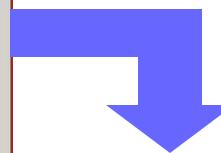


# Conceptual design: linac design

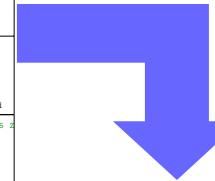
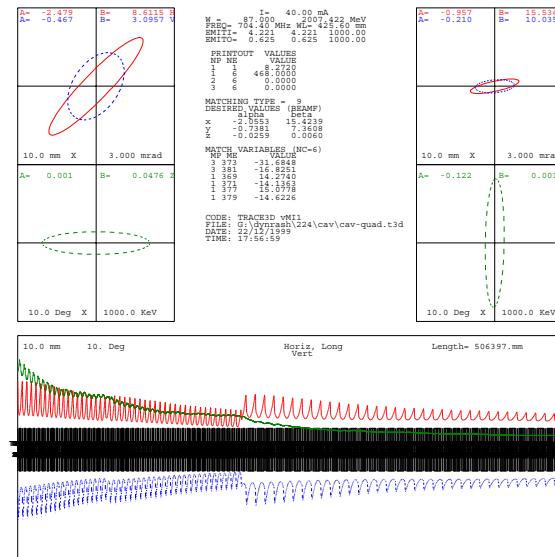
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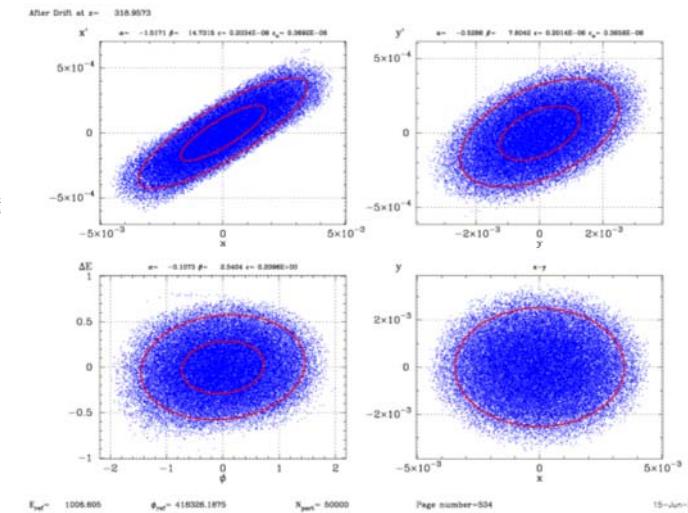
Build linac from simple rules, with control of longitudinal & transverse phase advances



Find matched beam solution in all linac



Run non-linear multi-particle simulations for confirmation of design



Poster WEPLE109:  
Adiabatic Matching in Periodic Accelerating  
Lattices for Superconducting Proton Linacs

# 352 MHz $\beta=0.85$ prototypes with CERN

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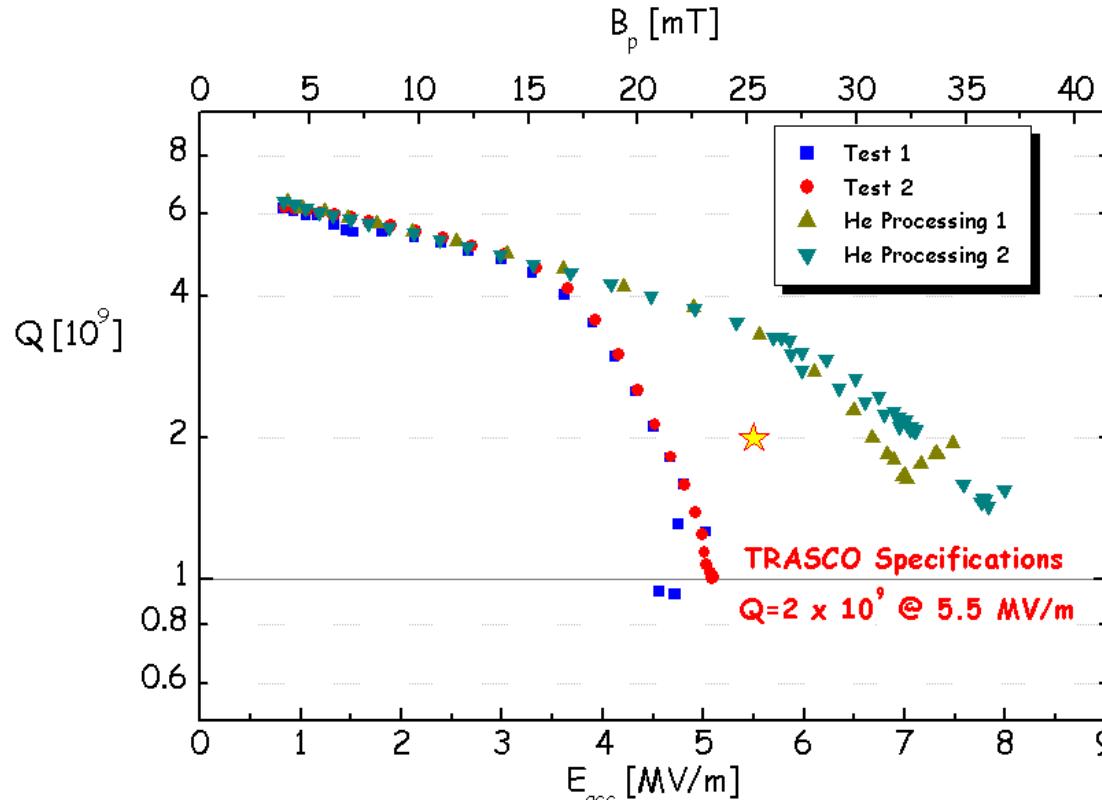
## 352 MHz cavities with CERN (MOU)

- Use LEP II sputtering technology
- Single cell and 5 cell sputtered -  $\beta = 0.85$
- Cavity integrated in a LEP type cryostat



All tests reached the design goals, indeed performed as the best LEP batch

But: Bulk niobium is needed at lower  $\beta$ , and the gradient is moderate w.r.t 704 MHz



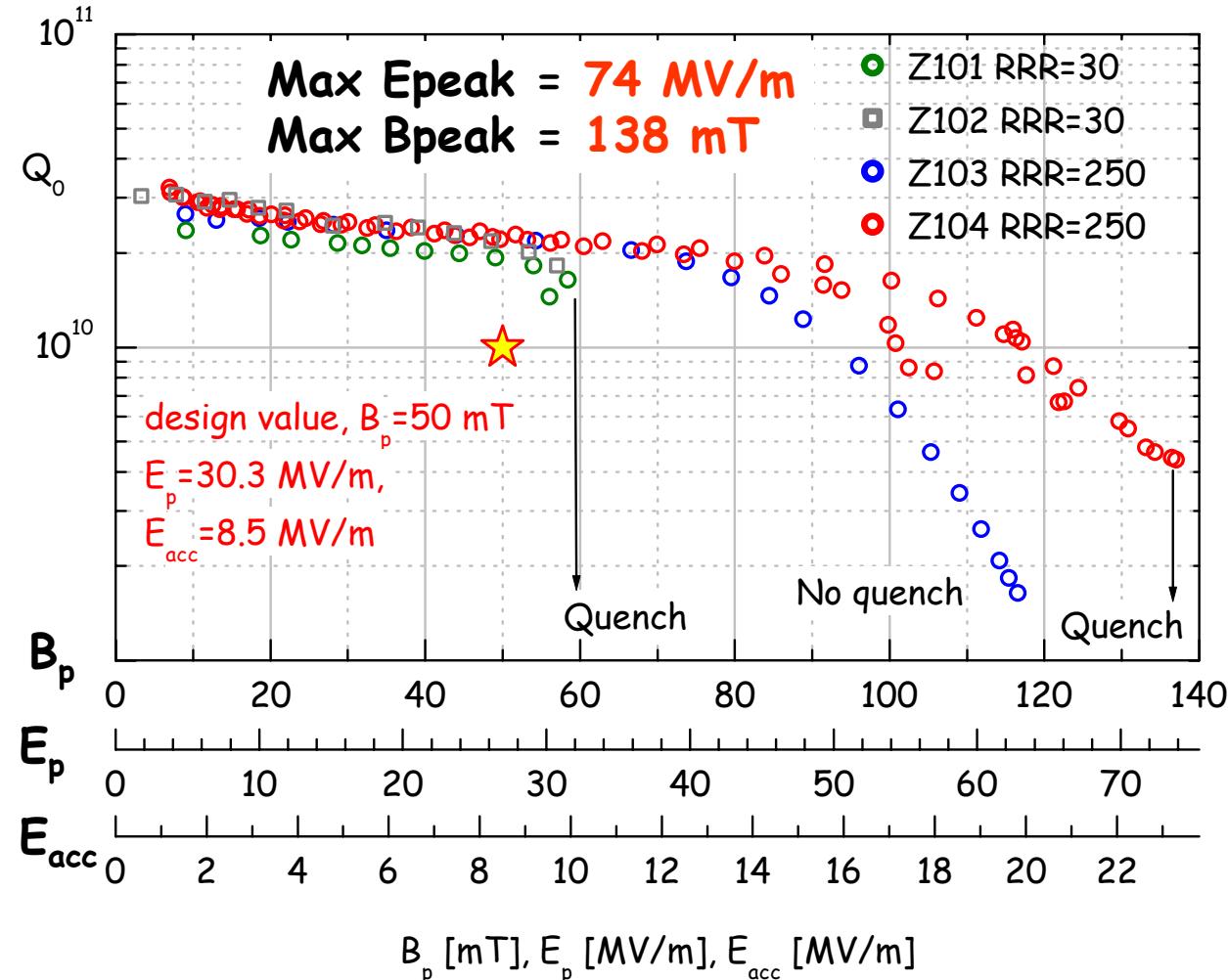
Test in a modified LEPII cryomodule (Aug. 2001)

- Powered to 250 kW
- 7 MV/m



# $\beta=0.47$ single cell cavities prototypes

Fabricated with RRR>30 & RRR>250 Niobium at Zanon  
BCP, HPR and tests at TJNAF (Z104) and Saclay (Z101-Z103)

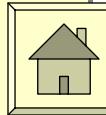


For 1-cell:  
 $E_p/E_{acc} = 2.90$   
 $B_p/E_{acc} = 5.38$  mT/(MV/m)

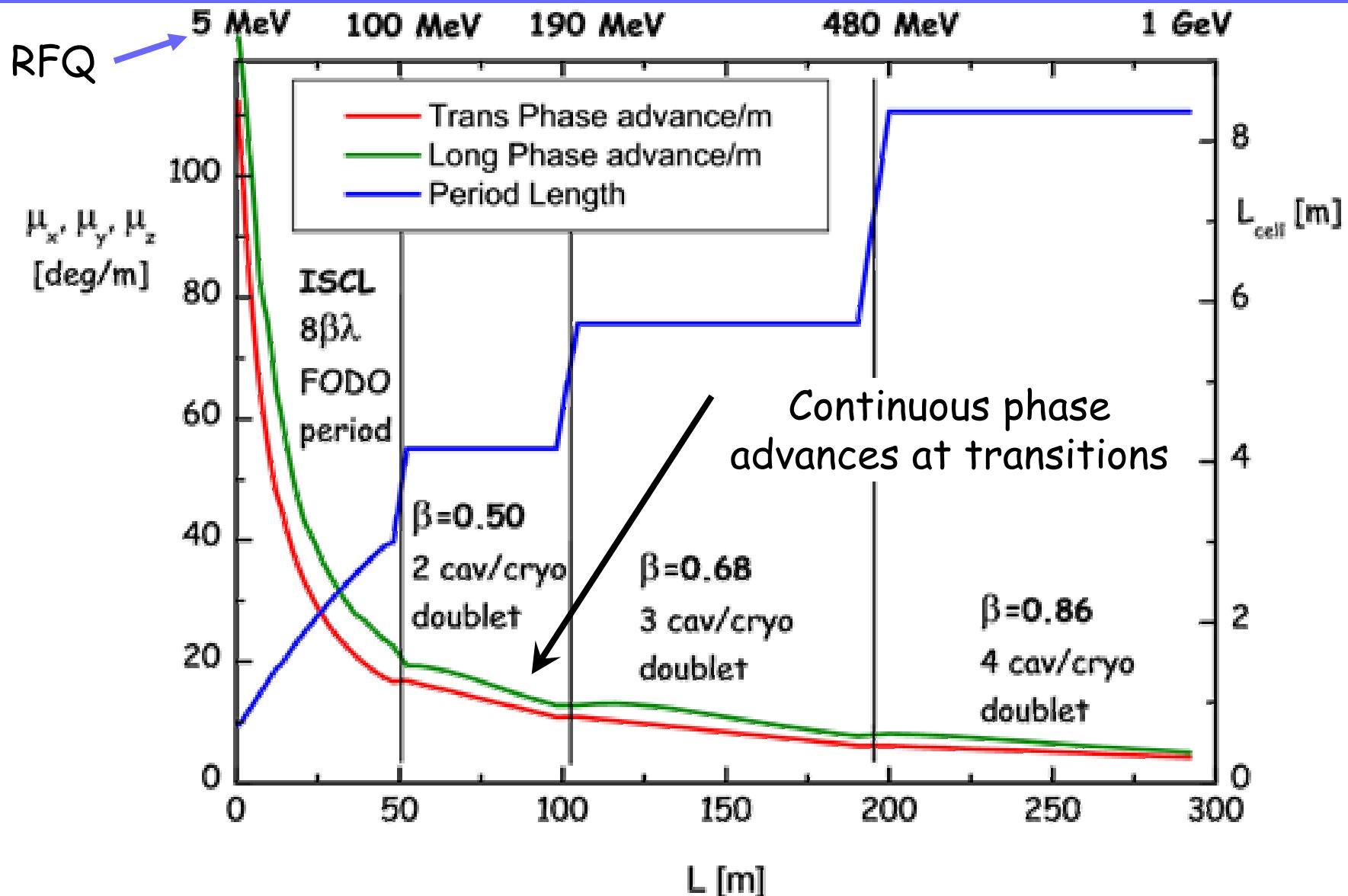
For 5-cell:  
 $E_p/E_{acc} = 3.57$   
 $B_p/E_{acc} = 5.88$  mT/(MV/m)

Two 5 cell cavities are under fabrication

Poster [THPDO023](#): RF Tests of the Single Cell Prototypes for the TRASCO  $\beta=0.47$  Cavities

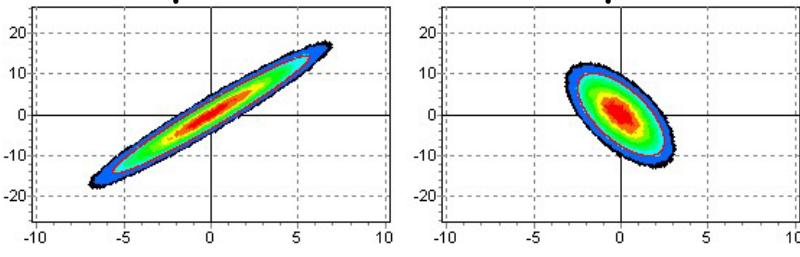


# Baseline of the "smooth" linac design

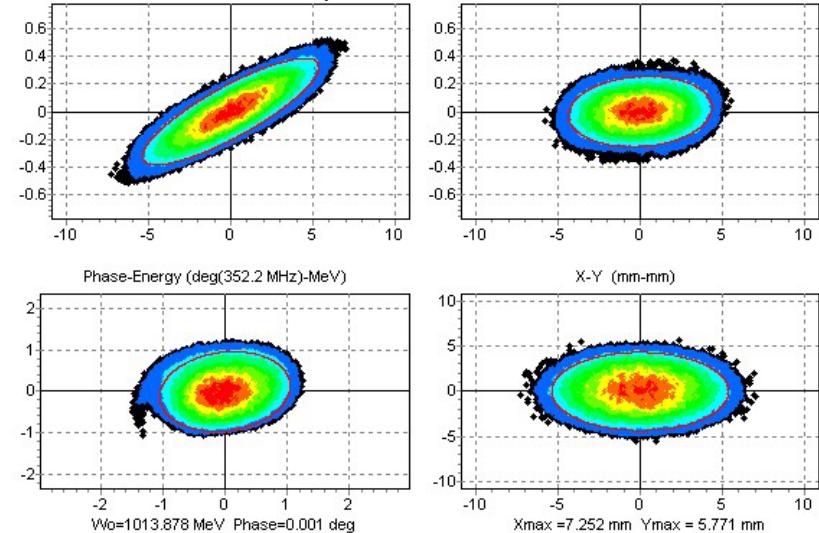


# Full SC linac from 5 MeV to 1 GeV

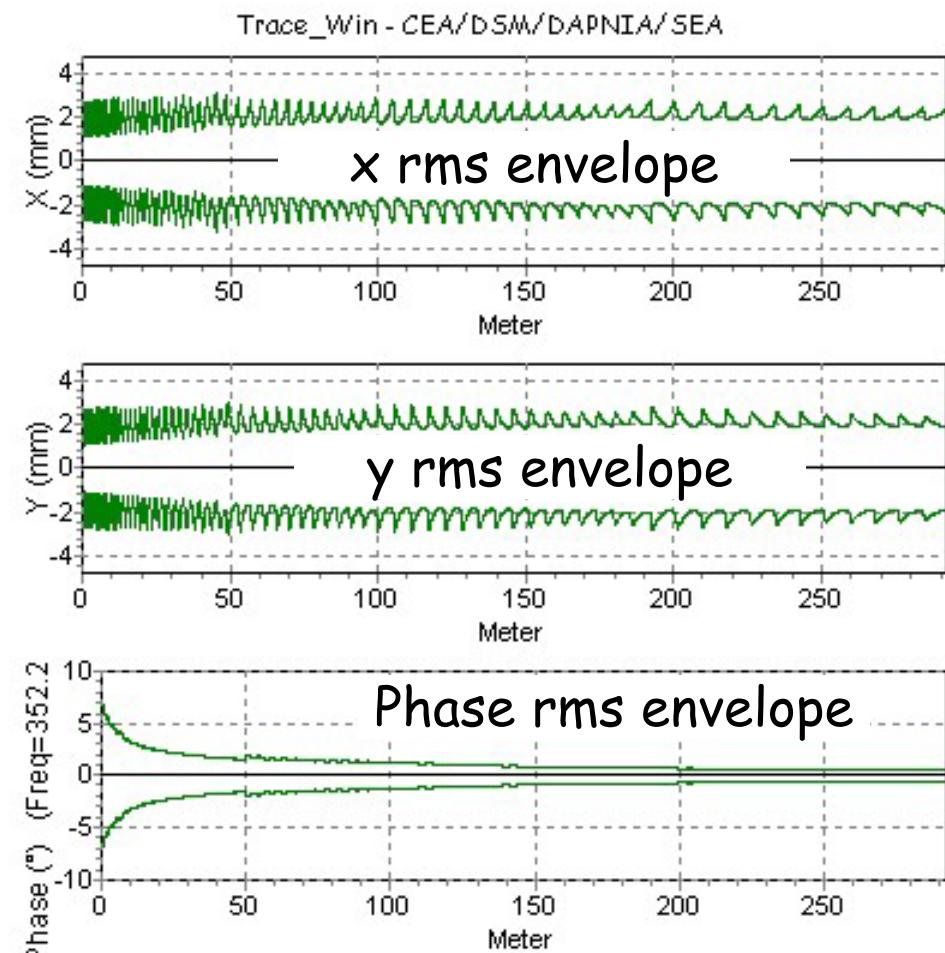
Input @ 5 MeV  $10^5$  ptcl



Output @ 1 GeV

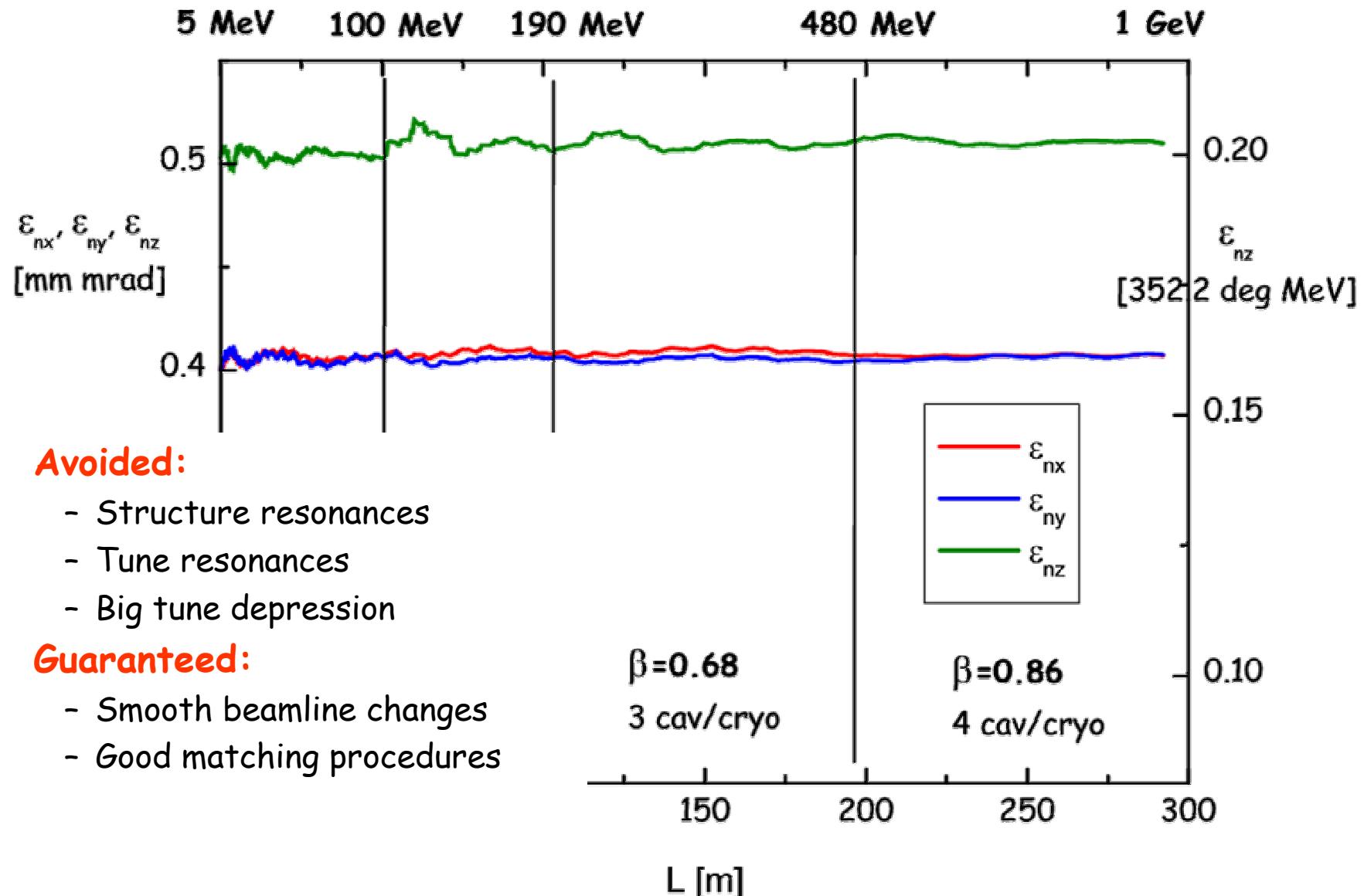


Results of non-linear simulations  
No particle losses, beams well confined



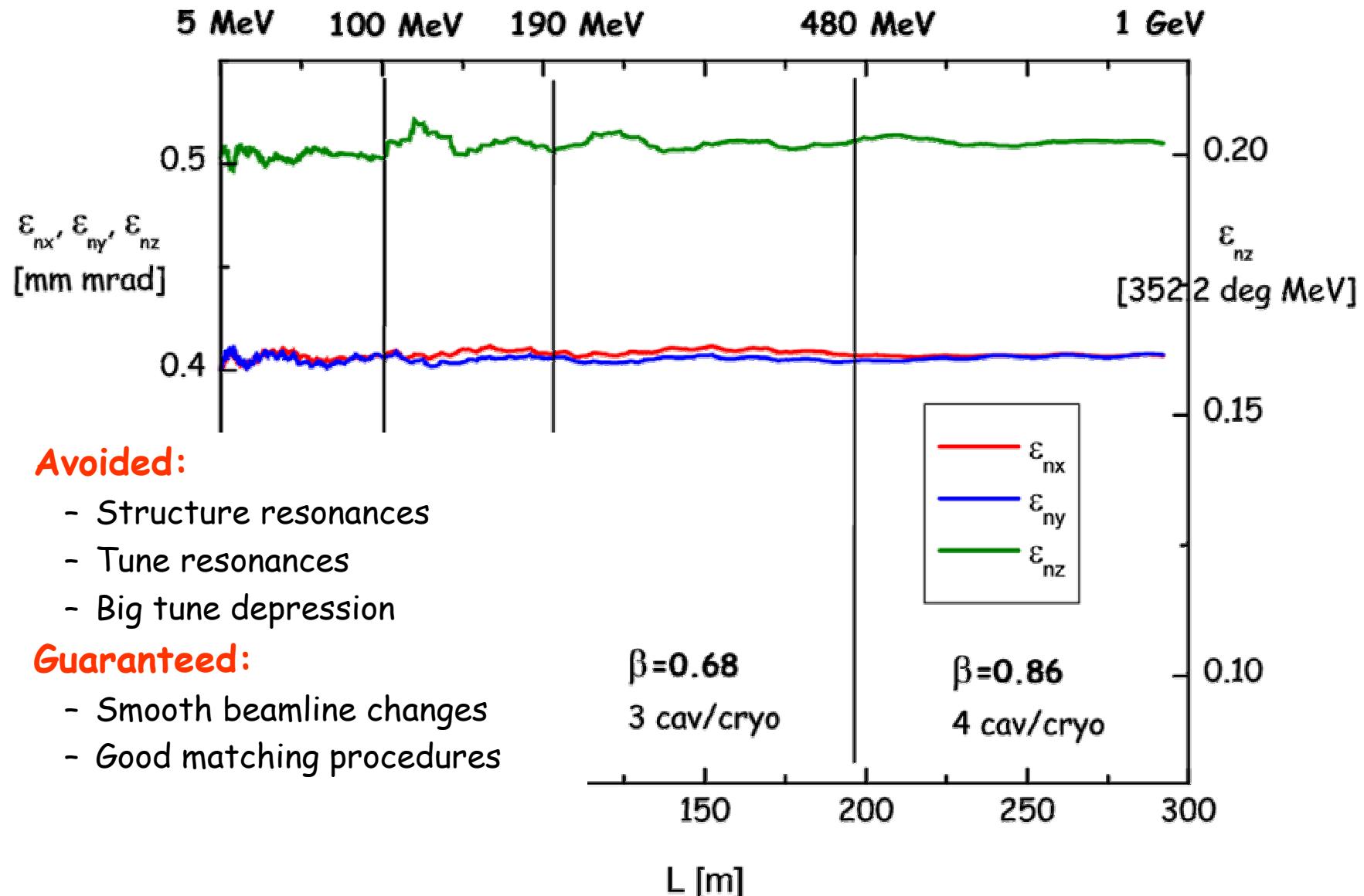
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# Perspectives

The effort to build a complete ADS system exceeds the capabilities (and the funding availability) of any national program like TRASCO

- TRASCO means to provide significant R&D and prototypical effort along the road to the design of a transmuter system
- cfr. "*A European Roadmap for Developing Accelerator Driven Systems (ADS) for Nuclear Waste Incineration*", by the European Technical Working Group on ADS, April 2001  
(available in <http://itumagill.fzk.de/ADS/>)



Already in the FP5 of the European Commission a Program has been funded: "**PDS-XADS - Preliminary Design Studies for an eXperimental Accelerator Driven System**"

- 25 Partners, from Research Institutions to EU Industries
- 12 M€ Program (50% supported by the Commission)
- Several Working Packages, dealing with various aspects of an ADS
- WP3 is dedicated to the Accelerator

More to come in the FP6 ...