

GBAR experiment

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INTRODUCTION

Motivation

❖ Matter and Antimatter asymmetry

- Different with expectation by BIGBANG and Standard Model, Matter domain in observable Hubble volume : $n_B \gg n_{\bar{B}}$ (baryon/photon ratio : $0.6e^{-9}$ (observed) $\gg 10^{-18}$ (expect))

❖ Dark matter and Dark energy

- We do not understand 94% of the mass energy density

❖ Antimatter's fundamental properties are not fully measured

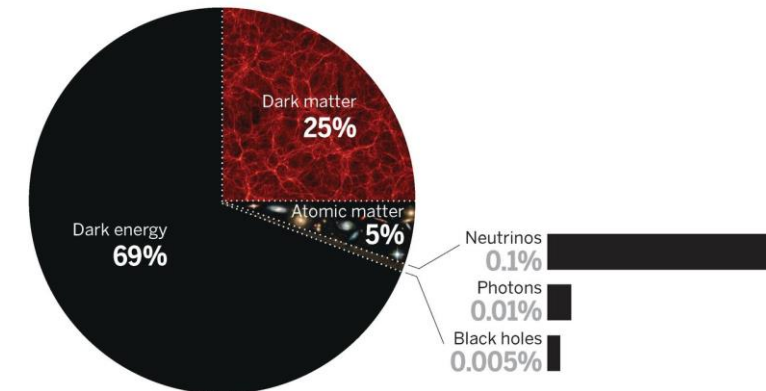
: **Interest of antimatter** about their **interaction & property**

➔ CPT and WEP test with antimatter by precision test



The multiple components that compose our universe

Current composition (as the fractions evolve with time)



Motivation

Check fundamental interaction between matter & antimatter

- Weak Equivalence Principle(WEP) :

$$m_I = m_G \quad (F = m_I a = -Gm_G m'_G / r^2)$$

$$m_I = \overline{m}_I \quad (\text{by CPT})$$

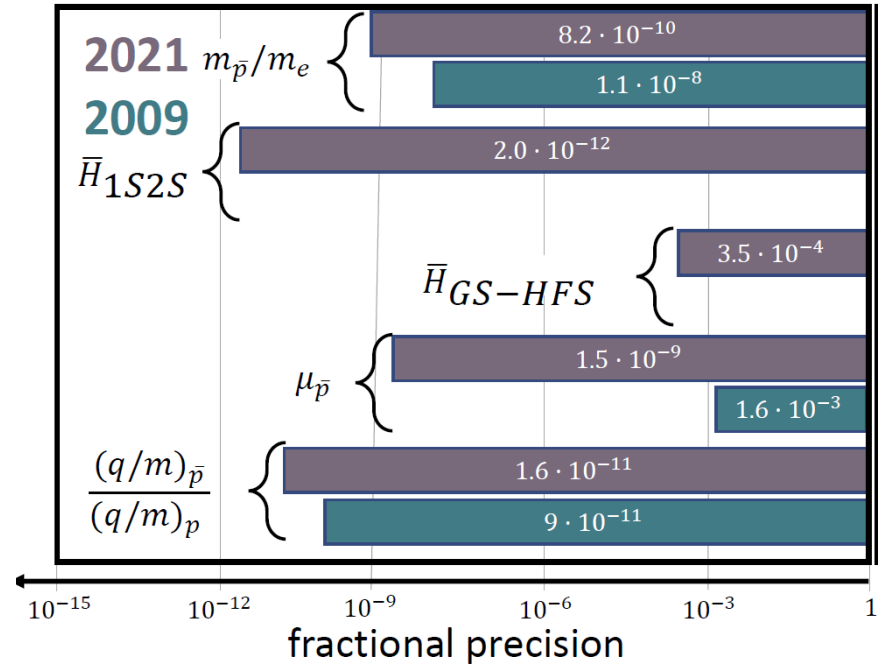
$$m_G = m_I = \overline{m}_I = ? \overline{m}_G$$

(for matter $\Delta(m_g/m_i)/(m_g/m_i)_{\text{Be/Ti}} = (0.3 \pm 1.8)10^{-13}$)

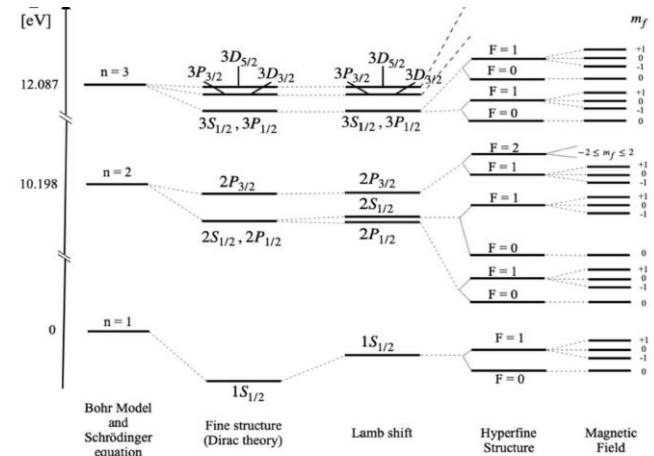


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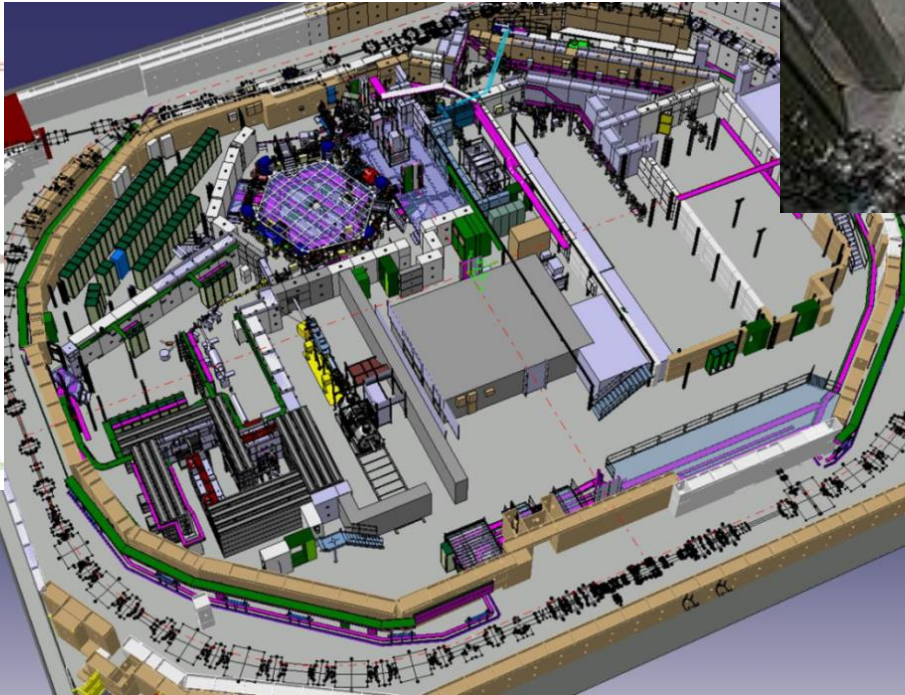
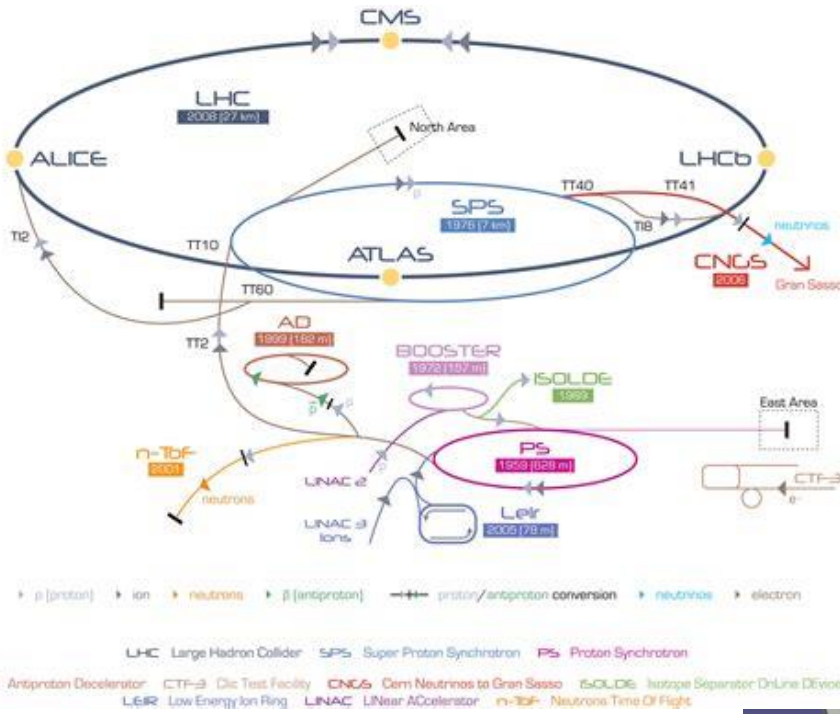
From Stefan Ulmer's slide (ADUC)



- Many CPT test has been performed between matter and antimatter especially by proton & antiproton and hydrogen and antihydrogen



AD & ELENA at CERN



Only existing facility of low energy \bar{p}

- 1982 ~ 1996) LEAR (AA + AC)
- 2000 ~ now) Antimatter Factory (AD + ELENA)

: 6 experiments (AEGIS, ALPHA, ASACUSA, BASE, GBAR, PUMA)

- Future) FLAIR at FAIR?

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CPT test

High energy

Low energy

Meson

Kaon

D meson

B meson

(neutral meson oscillation)

Lepton

Neutrino oscillation

Positronium

Muonium

spectroscopy

H/\bar{H}

At AD hall

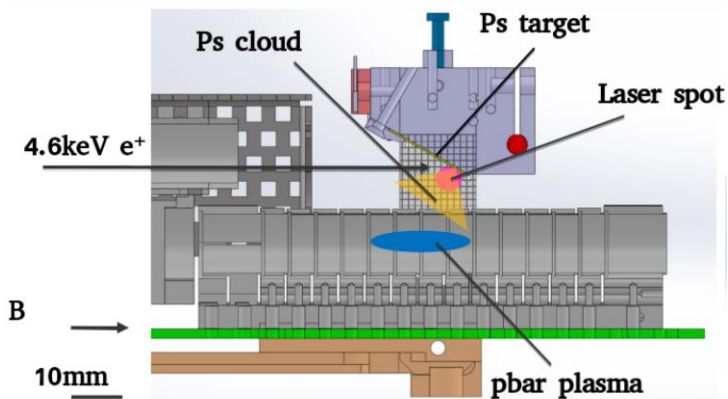
p/\bar{p}

Baryon

WEP_{ff} test approaches

AEGIS

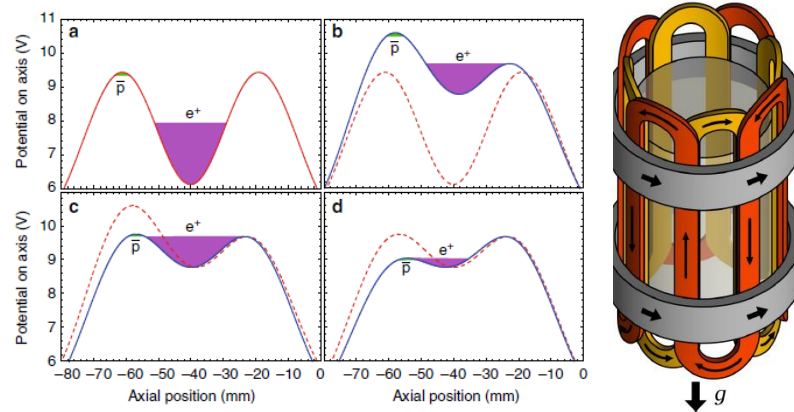
- e^+ : ^{22}Na source
- $\bar{p} \rightarrow$ degrader foil
- $\bar{p} + Ps^*(\text{Rydberg}) \rightarrow \bar{H}^* + e^-$
- Reaction in trap
- Pulsed Antihydrogen beam



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ALPHA-g

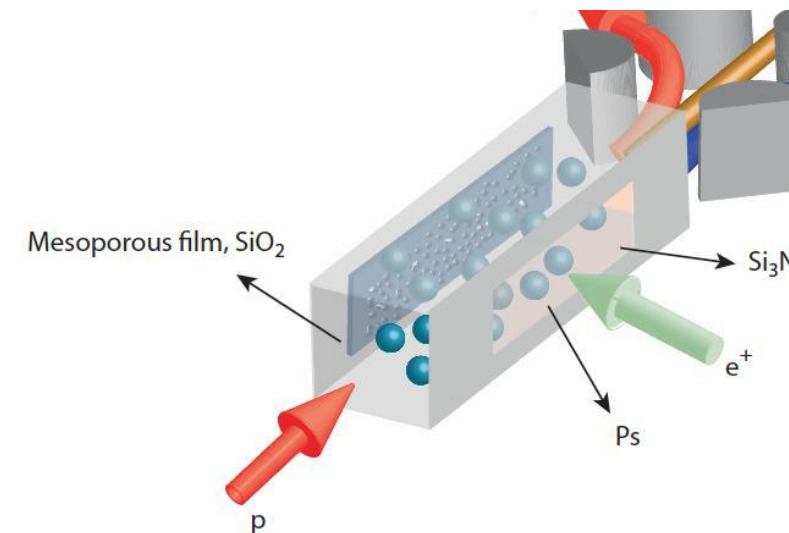
- e^+ : ^{22}Na source
- $\bar{p} \rightarrow$ degrader foil
- $\bar{p} + e^+ + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^+$
- Reaction in trap
- Antihydrogen trapping by penning-loffe trap (octupole)



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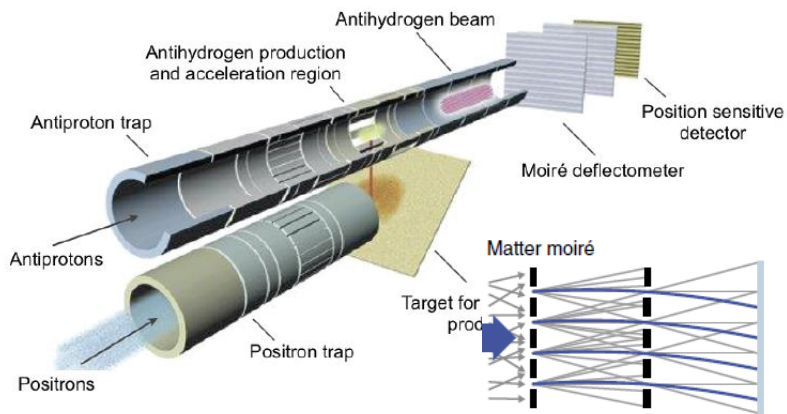
- e^+ : e^- Linac + W target
- $\bar{p} +$ decelerator + \bar{p} trap
- $\bar{p} + Ps \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^-$
- $\bar{H} + Ps \rightarrow \bar{H}^+ + e^-$
- Reaction btw \bar{p} beam + $Ps^{(*)}$ with excitation laser



WEP_{ff} test approaches

AEGIS

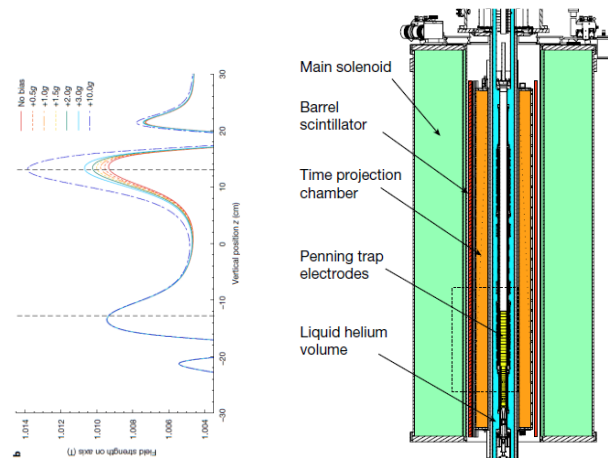
- **Cold \bar{H} beam** by cold antiproton E (100mK)
- Moiré deflectometer tested by \bar{p} . (nature communications 5, 4538 (2014))
- Pattern will be compared with one from light
- Aim : **$\sim 100\text{mK}$ ($v \sim 40\text{m/s}$)**
- 1% precision with 1000# \bar{H} .



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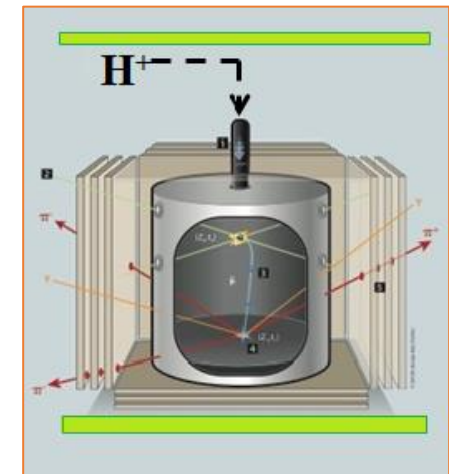
- **Cold \bar{H}** in the trap by evaporative cooling (0.5K)
- Vertical trap (280mm long)
- Aim (1%) : **sub-50mK** ($v \sim 28\text{m/s}$) temperature by laser cooling & precise measurement of magnetic field



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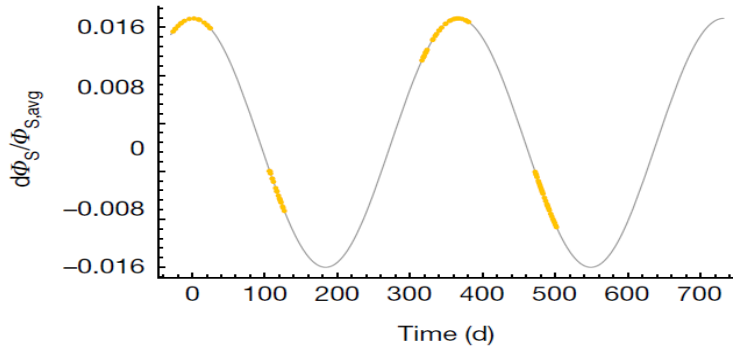
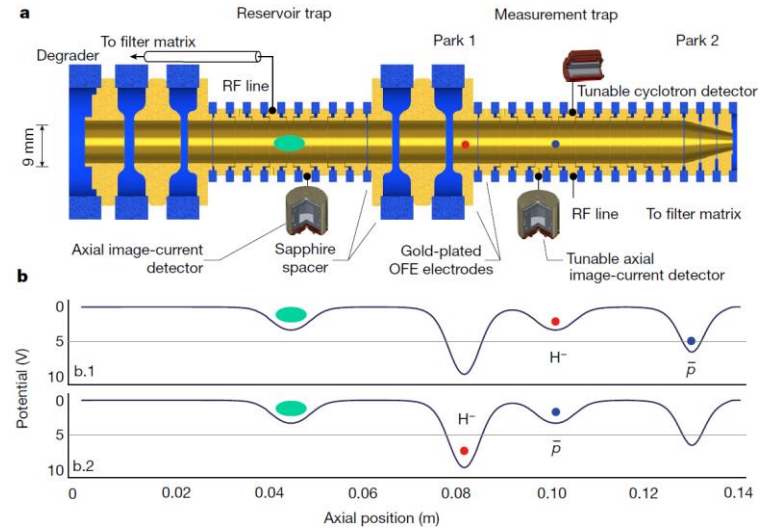
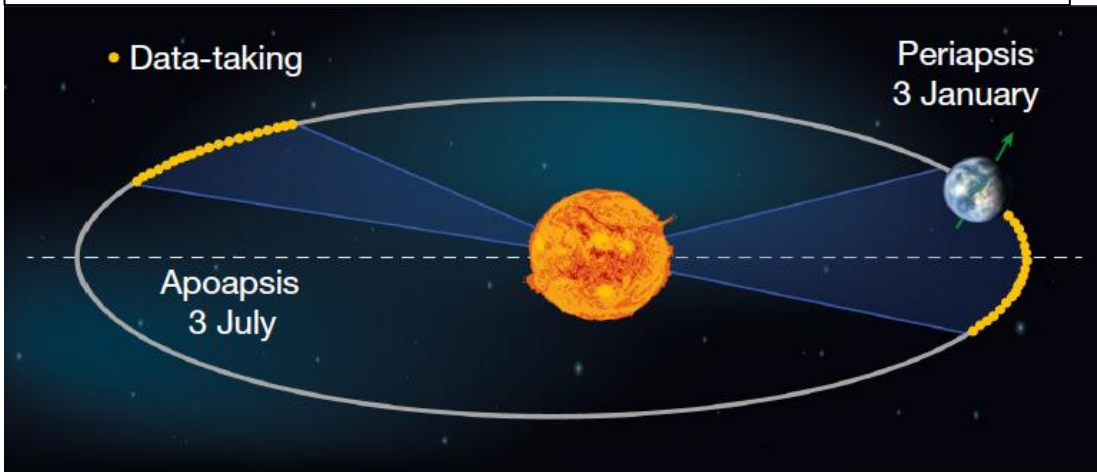
- Trapping and cooling \bar{H}^+ at paul trap.
- **Ultra-cold \bar{H}^+** by Sympathetic cooling by Be ion (10uK)
- Classical Freefall test ($z=0.25\text{m}$)
- Aim : **10uK** ($v \sim 0.4\text{m/s}$)
- 1% precision with 1500# \bar{H} .



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Antiproton WEP test

BASE experiment, Nature, 601, 53-57 (2022)



• Base experiment

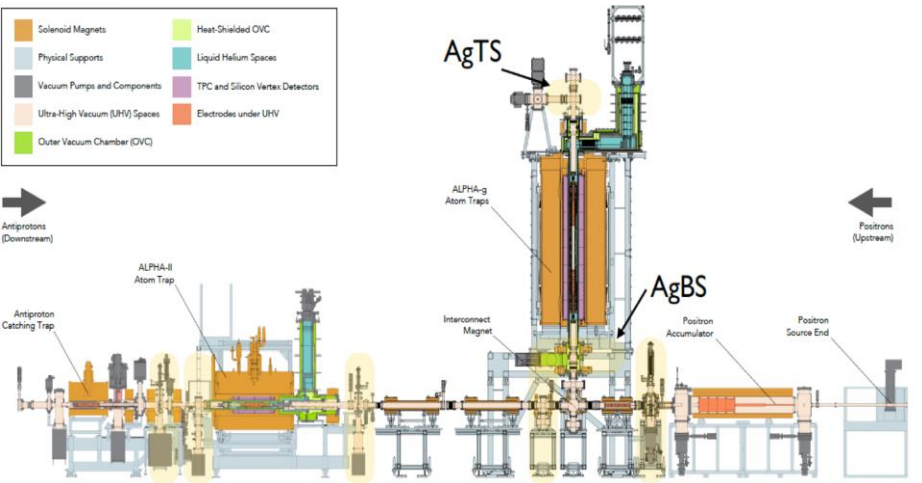
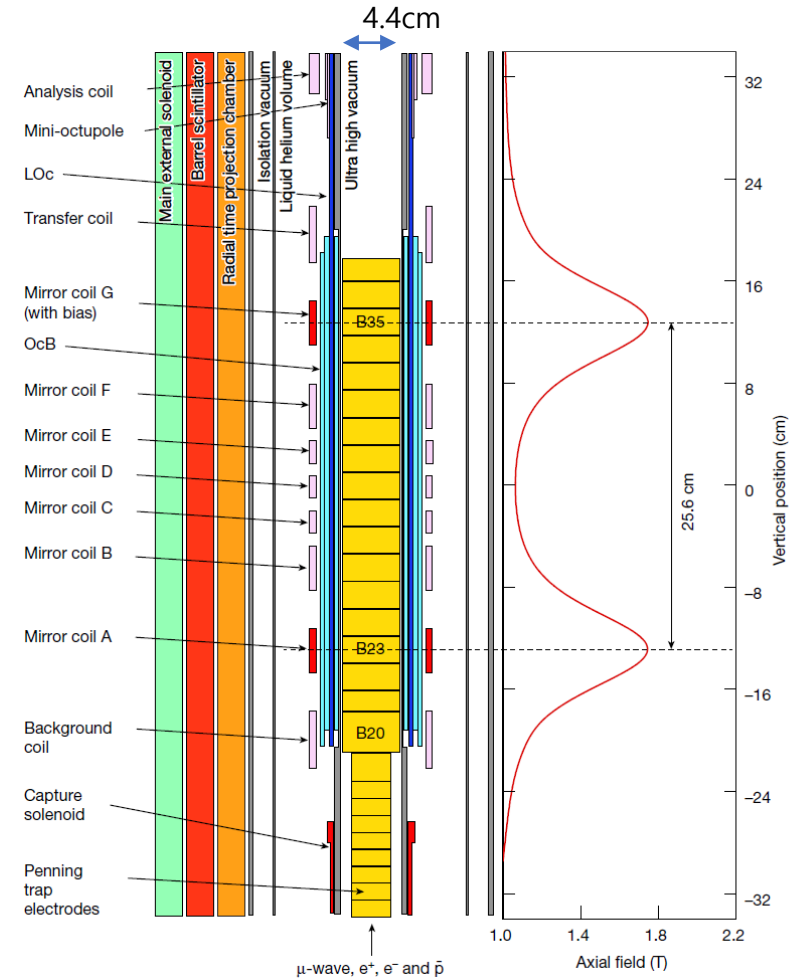
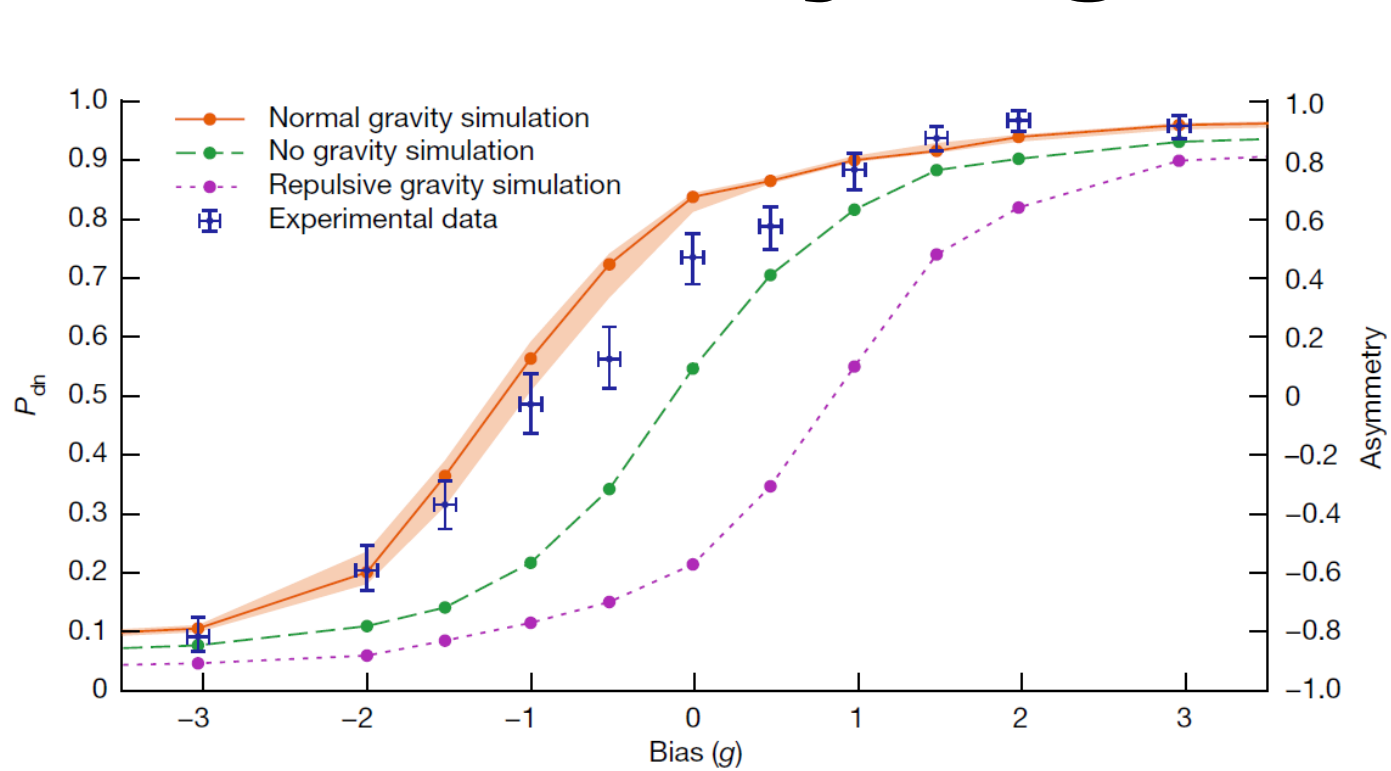
Antiprotons cyclotron clock measurement was done for WEP_{CC} test : $|\alpha_{g,D} - 1| < 0.030$ (CL 0.68)

← Limit on scalar and tensor interaction

$$\frac{v_{c,\bar{p}} - v_{c,p}}{v_{c,avg}} = \frac{3\Phi}{c^2}(\alpha_g - 1)$$

(Hughes R. J. & Holzschelner M. H, PRL 66, 854 (1991))

Anti-Hydrogen WEP test



- ALPHA-g experiment

2013 : proof-of-principle experiment

2018 : Alpha-g magnet constructed

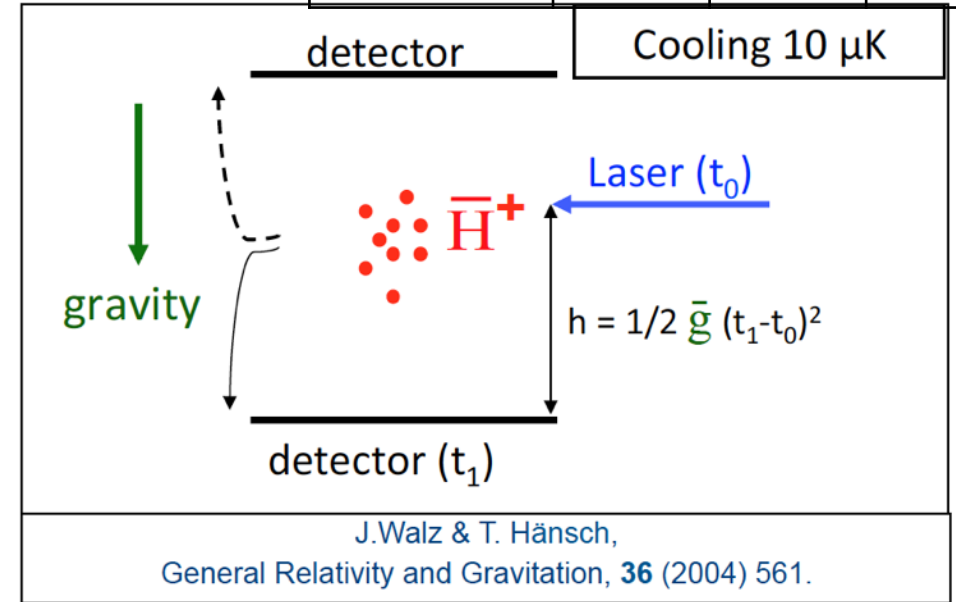
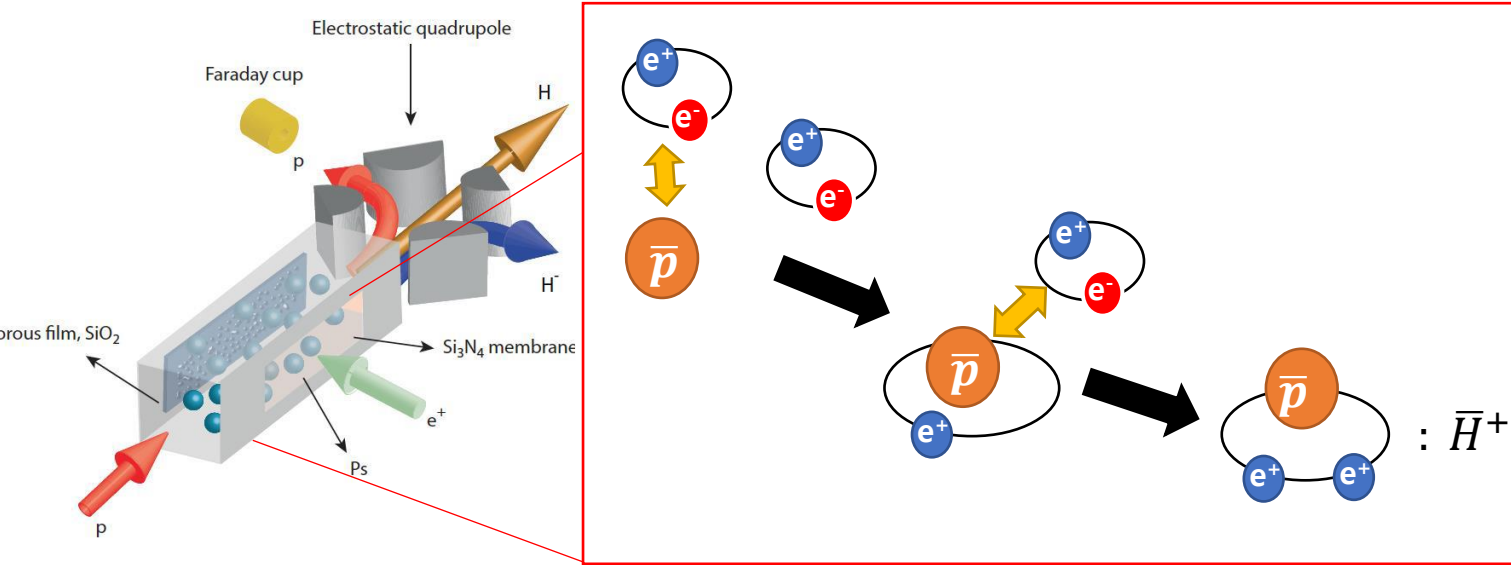
2023 : Rule out Repulsive antigravity by \bar{H} with $T < 0.5K$ (**Nature 621, 716-722 (2023)**)

$$a_{\bar{g}} = (0.75 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.16) \times g$$

Experimental Detail

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Velocity fluctuation	100m/s	3m/s	0.1m/s
Temperature	1K	1mK	1uK

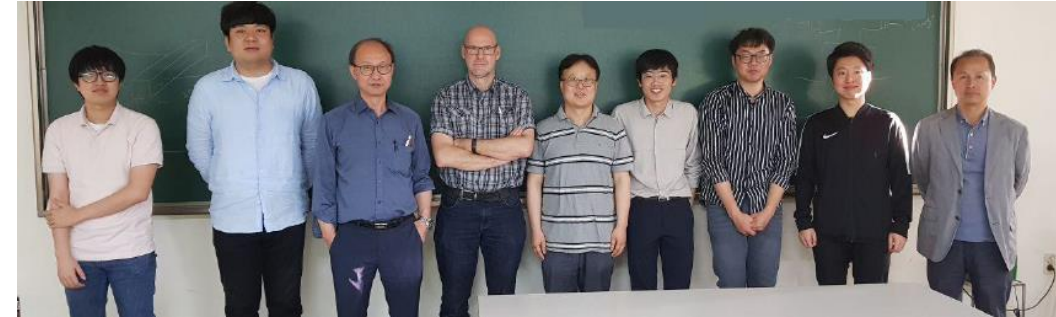


- Direct measurement of the gravitational acceleration of anti-hydrogen (WEP_{ff}) below 1%
- \bar{H}^+ is required to get ultra-cold \bar{H} (1500#) which can go below 10^{-5} precision for WEP_{ff} (only ultracold anti-hydrogen can reach)
- Double charge exchange process between anti-proton beam and dense positronium cloud ($<2 \times 2 \times 20 \text{mm}^3$ cavity)
 - $\bar{p} + Ps \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^-$: 1st milestone
 - $\bar{H} + Ps \rightarrow \bar{H}^+ + e^-$: 2nd milestone
- Enough intensity of e^+ & \bar{p}
- Good beam phase-space
- Cooling anti-hydrogen ion down to **10uK** range (ultra-cold) with Be^+ to get extremely slow velocity : 3rd milestone
- After dropping one of e^+ (by photo-detachment laser), let the ultra-cold anti-hydrogen **freefall**.

GBAR collaboration

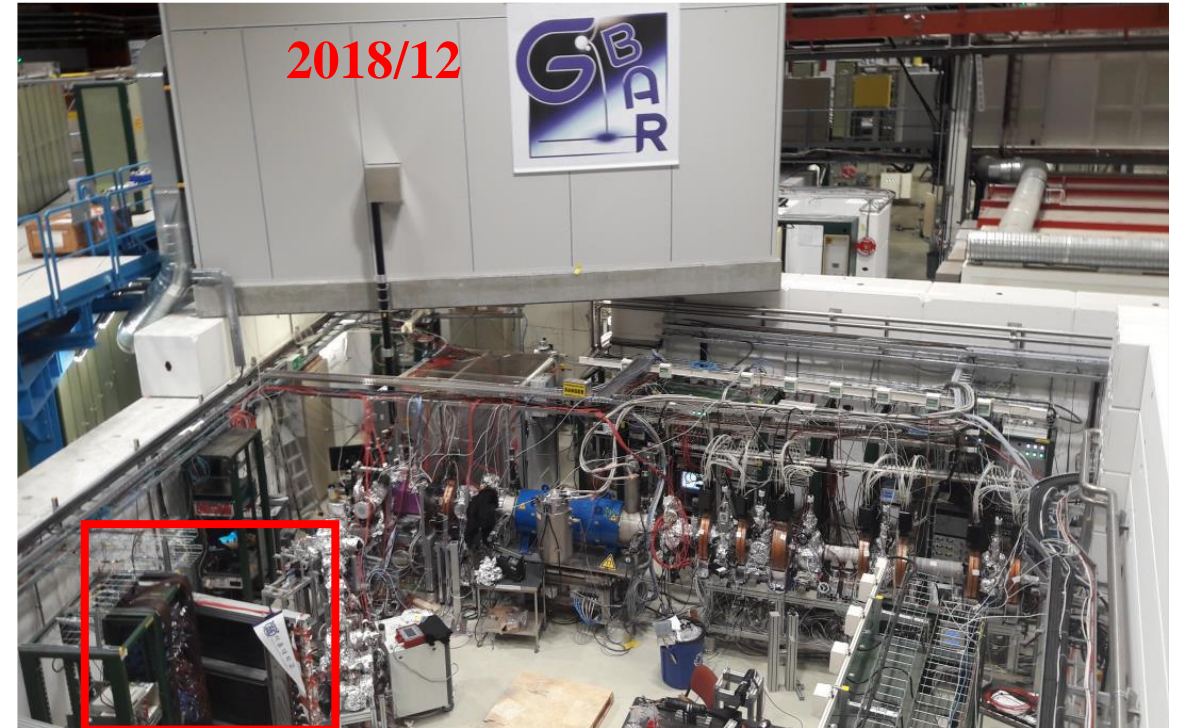
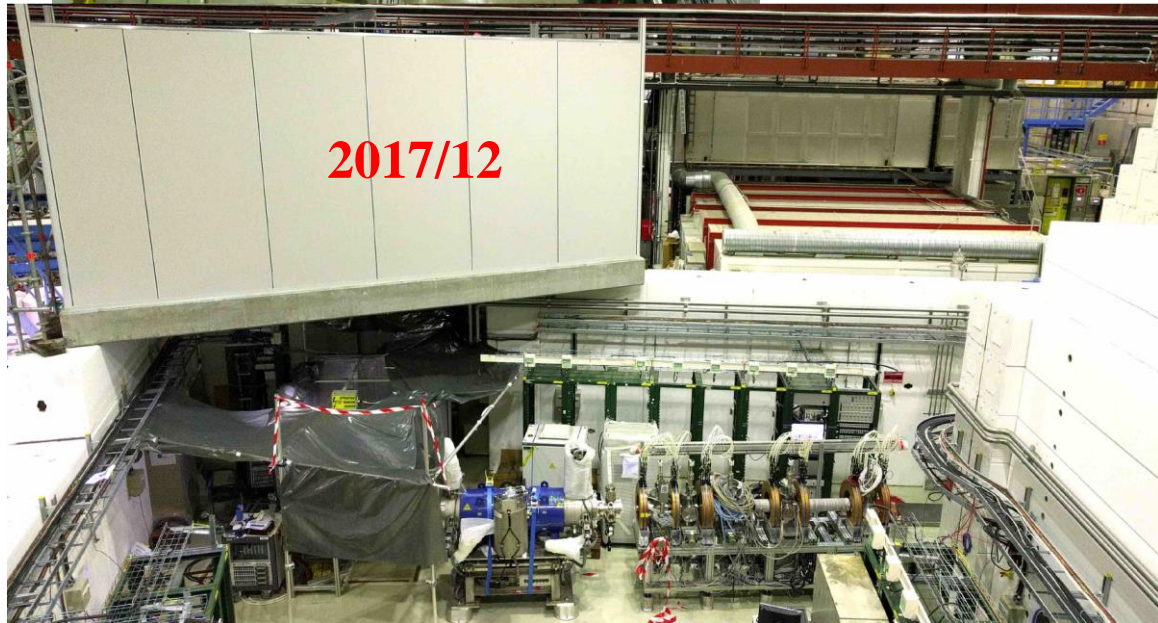


70 members
18 institutes
8 countries



Korean group
4 Institutes (IBS, KNU, SNU, UNIST)
6 Doctors (IBS : B.Kim, J.Lee, Y.Ko
KNU : E.Kim
SNU : S.Kim
UNIST : M.Jung)
5 GS (1 graduated)
→ 2 students staying at CERN normally
: Device development + operation

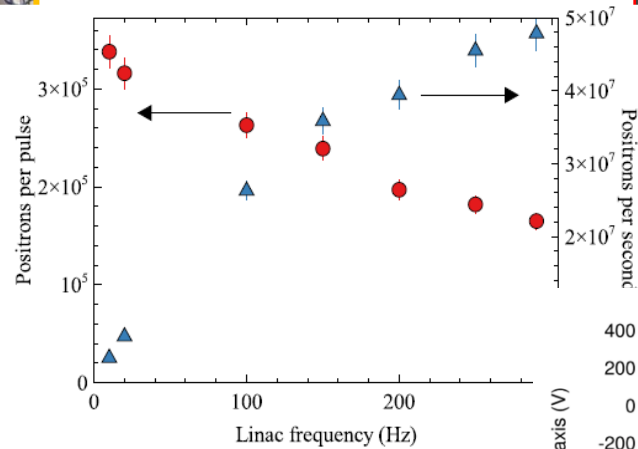
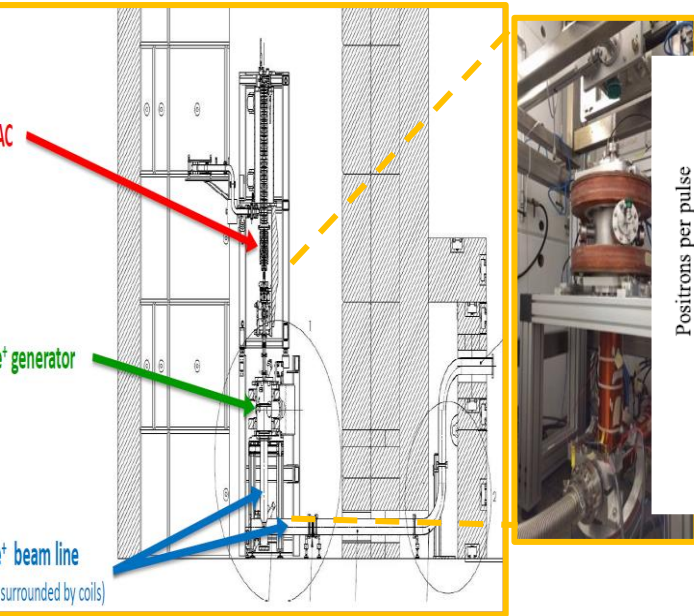
Experimental setup (past)



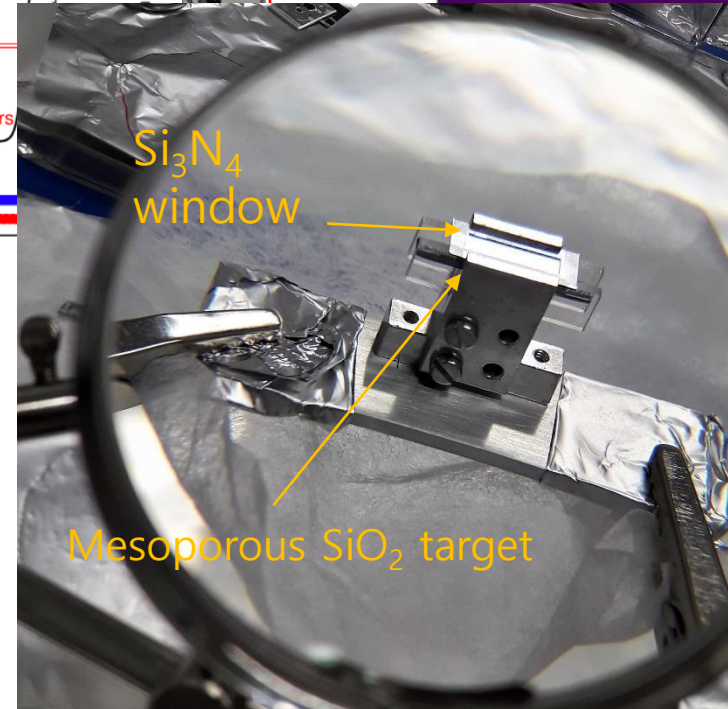
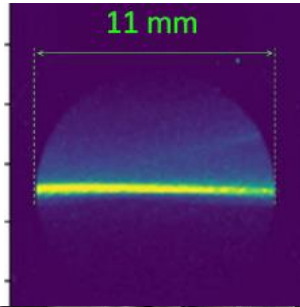
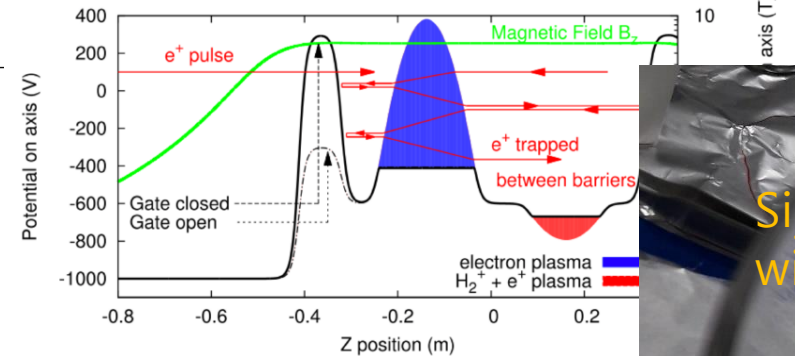
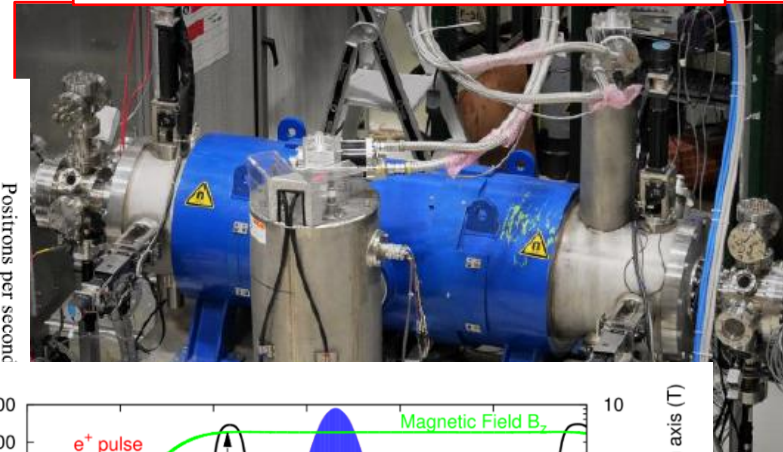
- 2007 : Letter Of Interest to CERN
- 2011 : Proposal to CERN
- 2016 : SNU & IBS joined MOU
- 2016-2018 : Experiment Installation
- 2019-2021 : Development of each devices

Positron beam for Ps production

Linac and positron target

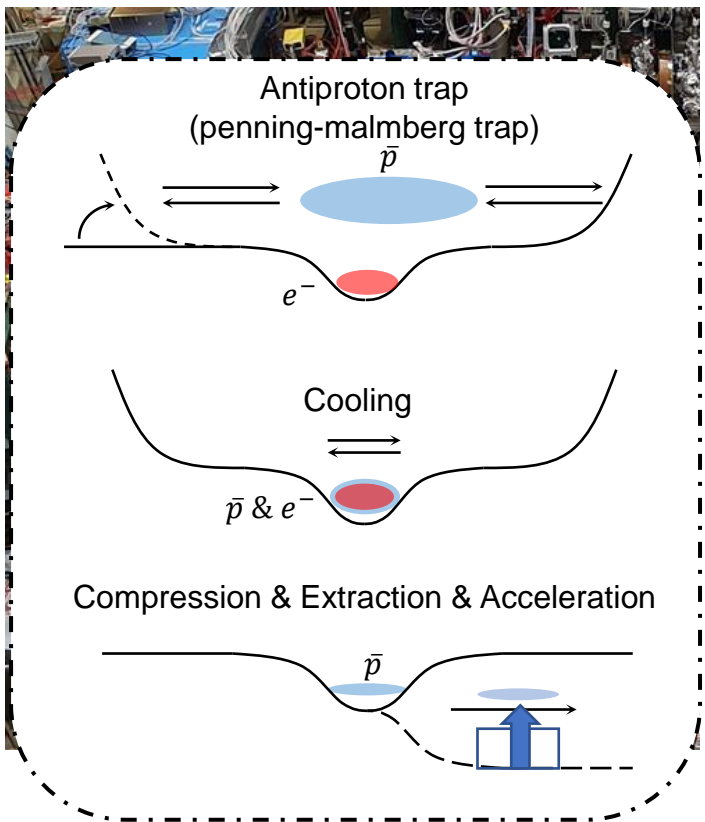
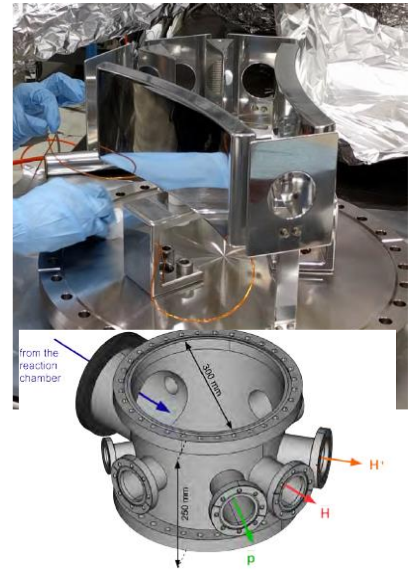
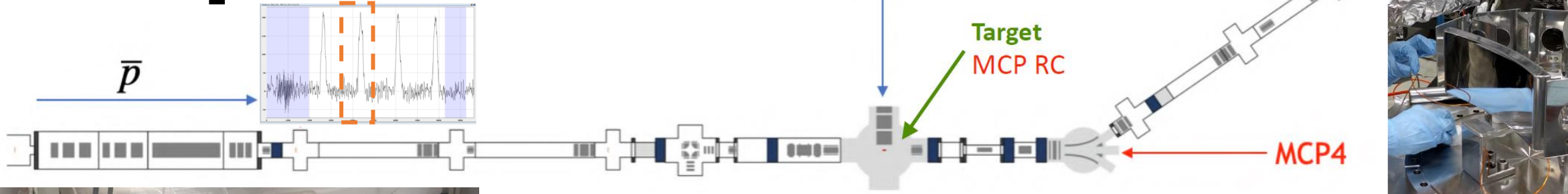


Positron high field trap

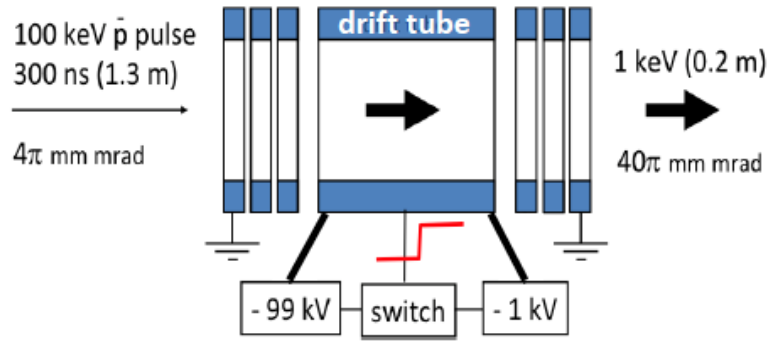


- Positron beam : monoenergetic positron beam generated from bremsstrahlung-induced pair production by 300Hz 9MeV e^- Linac with W moderator → a goal to $3 \times 10^8 e^+/s$ (commissioning in this year); M.Charlton et al., NIM A 985, 164657 (2020)
- Positron accumulation by high field trap : goal to $1 \times 10^{10} e^+$ (110s) with electron cooling ($1.4 \times 10^9 e^+/1100s$ achieved); NIM A 1040 (2022) 167263
- Positron acceleration & guiding by electrostatic lenses to reaction target ($2 \times 10mm^2$)
- SiC re-moderator has been prepared for better trapping efficiency

antiproton beam

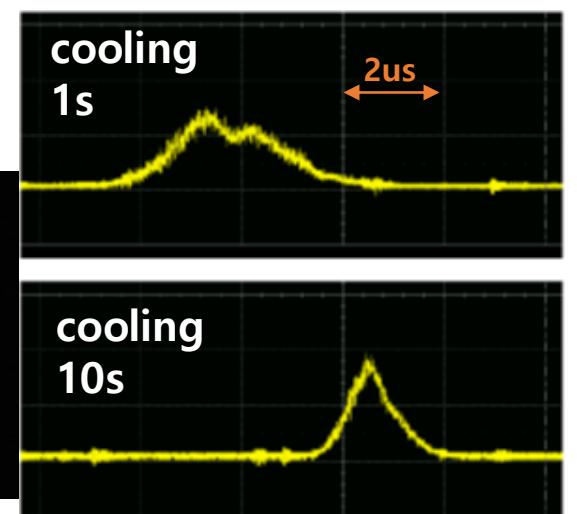
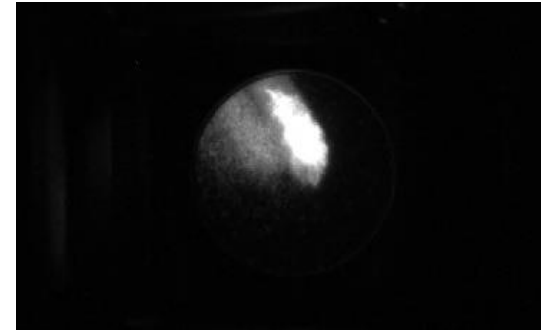
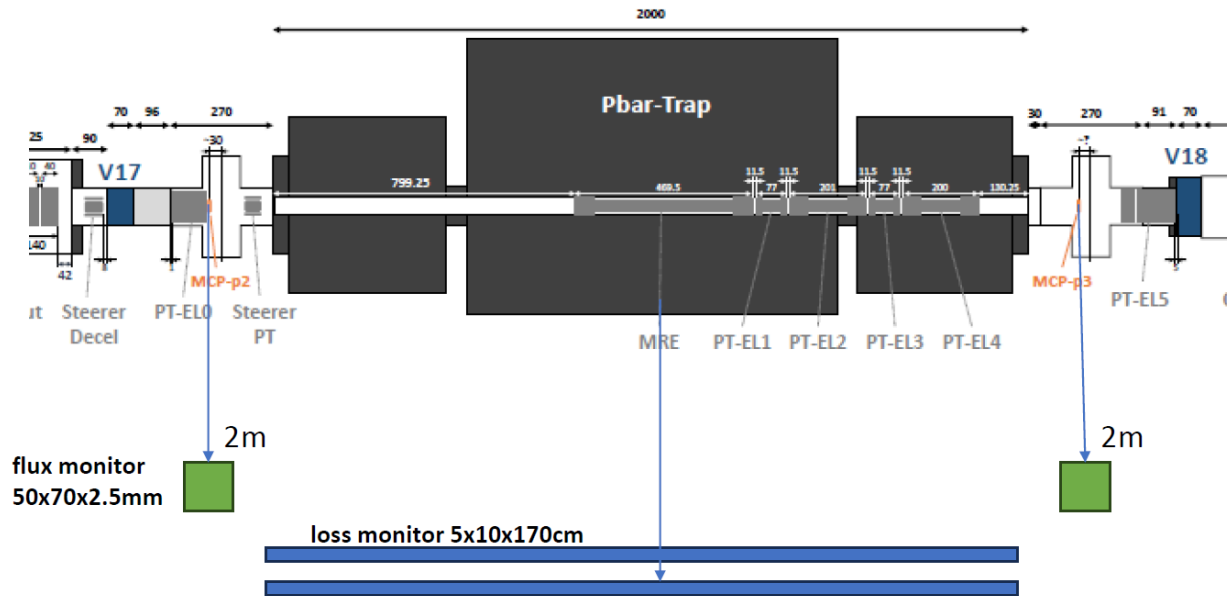


A. Husson et al., NIMA 1002 (2021)165245



- ELENA commissioning (2021) with GBAR
- Deceleration test from 100keV to 4keV was succeeded. (NIM A 1002 (2021)165245)
- The decelerated antiproton beam passed reaction target hole 2mmx2mm (~10%)
- Antiproton trap being ready to get \bar{p} beam (JINST 17 T10003 (2022))
- Succeed to guide proton beam to antiproton trap (2022)
- Trapping & cooling test of antiproton trap by \bar{p} was done.

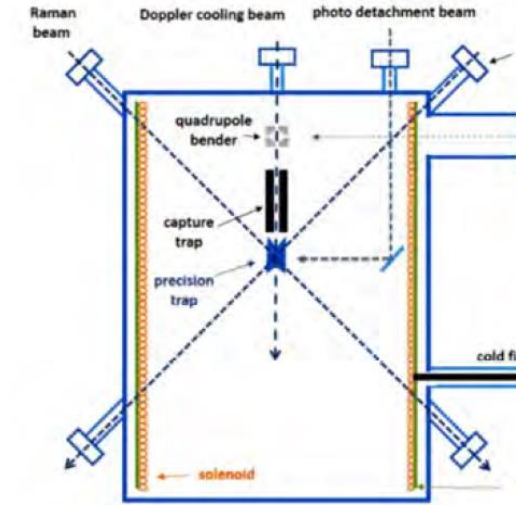
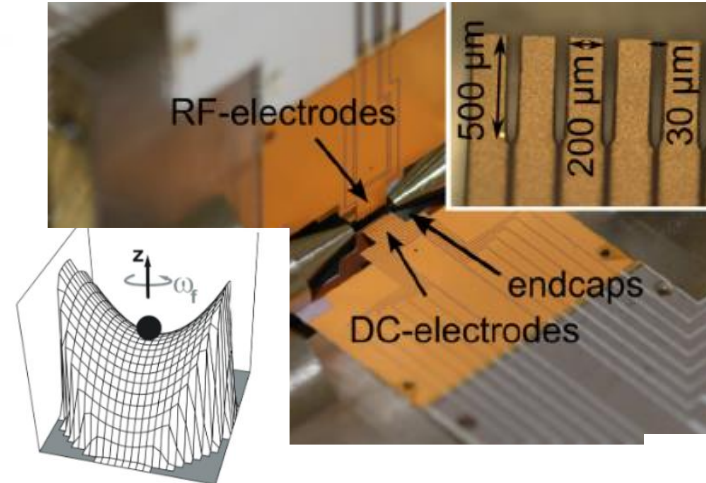
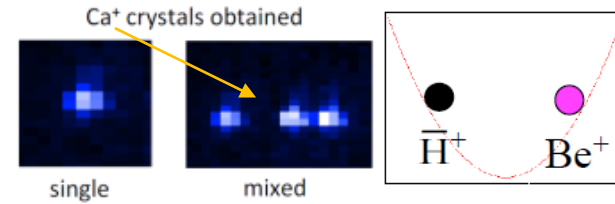
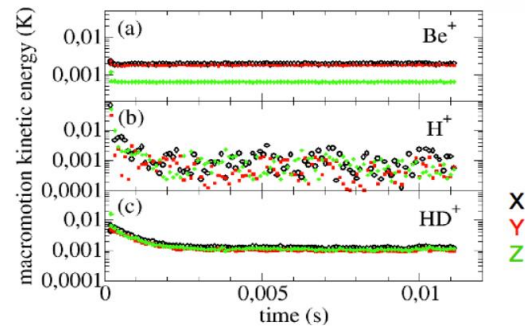
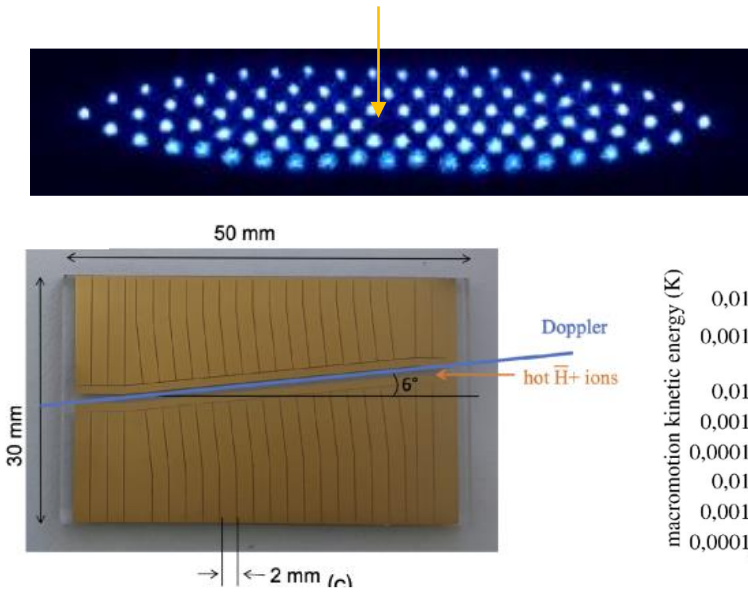
Antiproton trap



- Many efforts has spent from design & hardware preparation level
- $T_{\text{center}} = 14\text{K}$, $P < 1.0\text{E-}10\text{mbar}$
- e^- loading capacity $> 10^8\#$
- e^- cooling succeeded
- e^- adiabatic extraction & guiding succeeded
- FPGA, sequence control development
- Proper detection system prepared for 2023 beam time



Cooling traps and photo-detachment

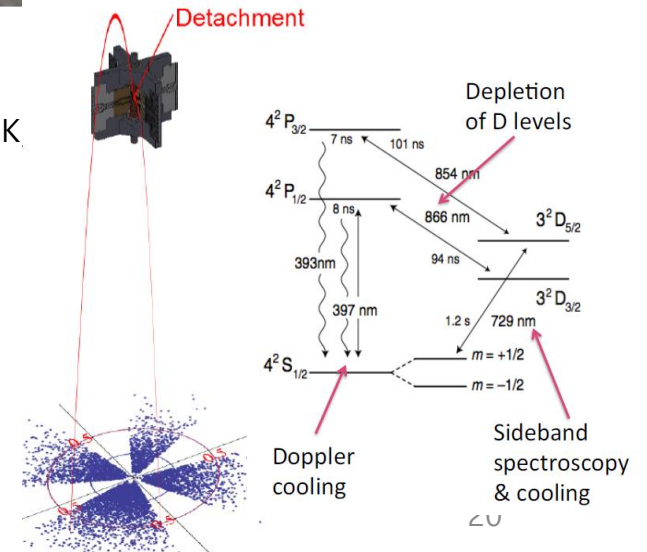


1. Capture trap (ITO trap) : capturing by DC switching+ rf voltage electrodes

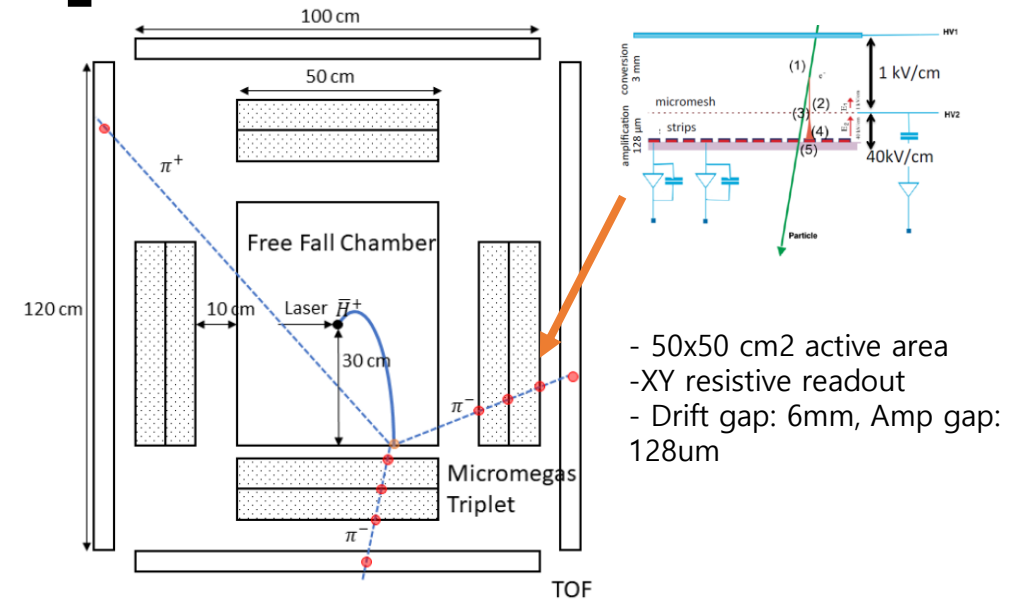
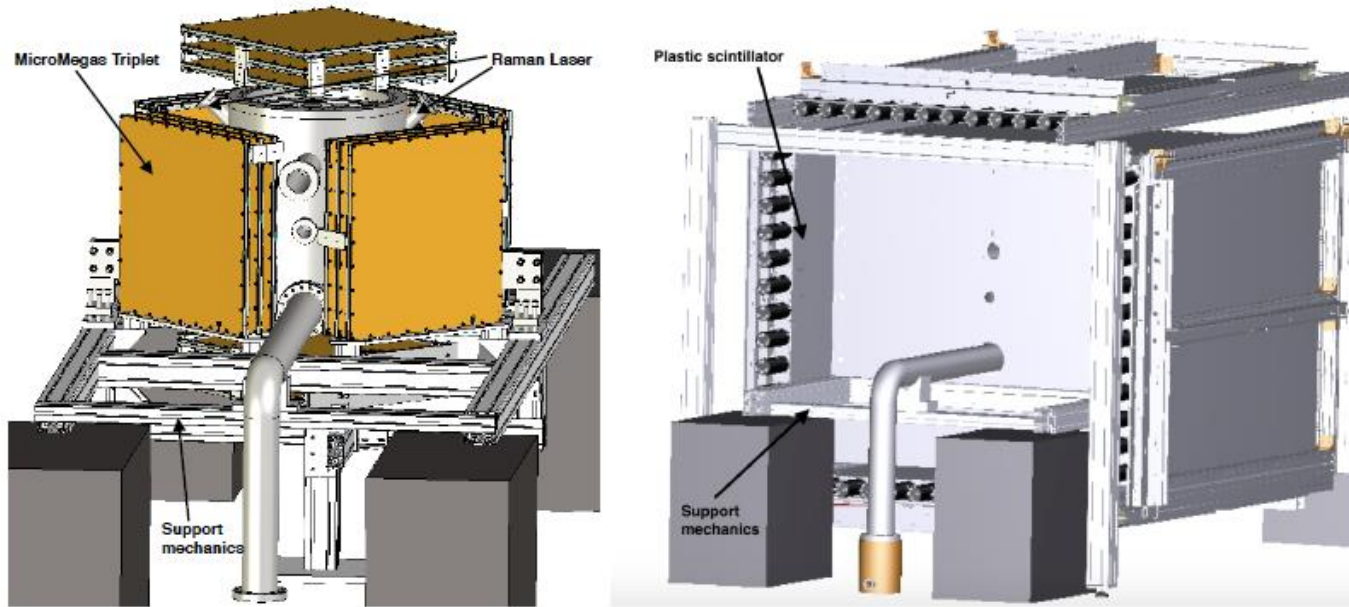
Sympathetic Doppler cooling by cooled Be⁺ ions (>10,000 laser(313nm) cooled Be⁺/HD⁺ ions (Wigner crystal), 100 neV, T~mK, by rf heating) (L. Hilico et. al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. Conf. Ser. 30, 1460269 (2014))

← HD⁺ to reduce mass ratio for better coupling in simulation (similar charge to mass ratio required)

- 2. Precision trap : ion as a quantum harmonic oscillator, Raman sideband cooling for Be⁺/H⁺ ion pair to T~10uK. (W. Schnitzler et. al, Physical Review Letters 102, 070501 (2009).)
- Initial direction : temperature (0.44m/s for 1MHz) + photon recoil(0.24m/s) + positron emission (~0.3m/s for E_c = 1ueV)

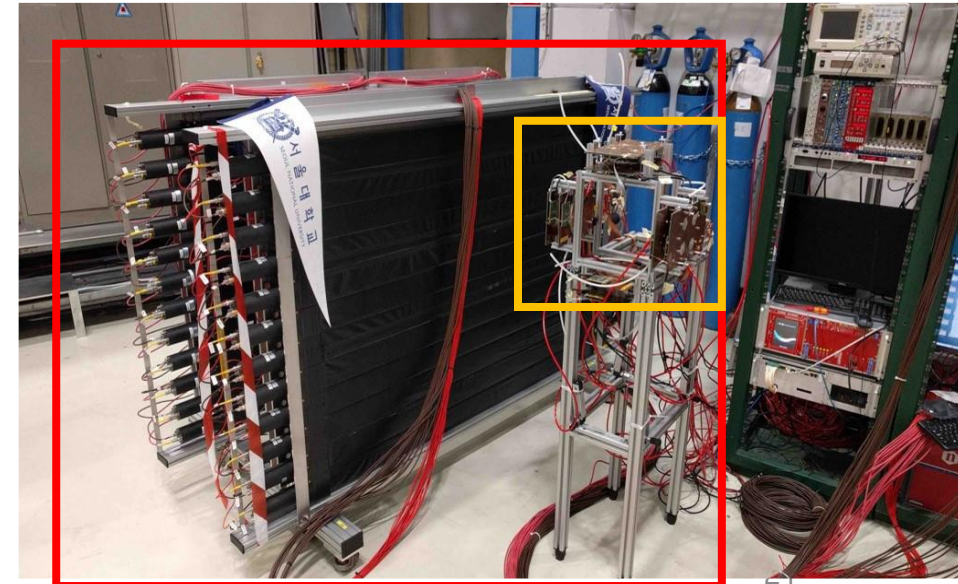


Freefall detection preparation



- 50x50 cm² active area
- XY resistive readout
- Drift gap: 6mm, Amp gap: 128 μ m

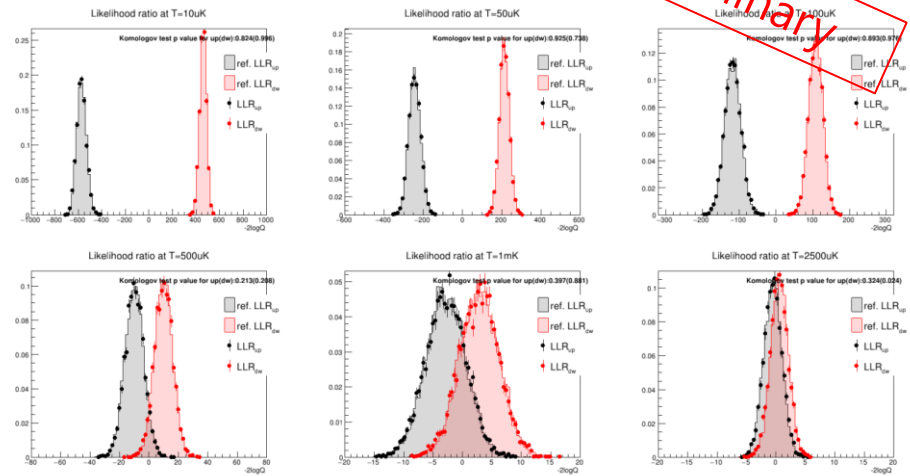
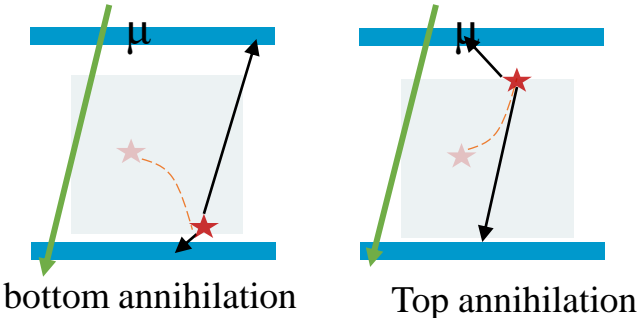
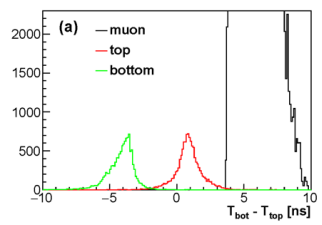
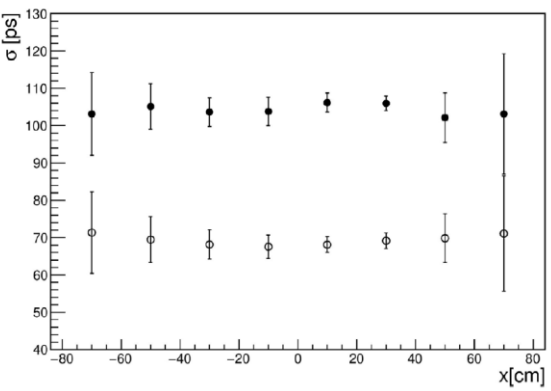
- MM(Micro-Megas) as a tracker and TOF(Time of Flight) detector as a timing detector tested by antiproton beam annihilation
- MM and TOF detector tested by antiproton beam annihilation
- (Cooling) laser hut for anti-hydrogen ion cooling was built and FFC is installed.
- Cooling trap (to go to ~mK) and precision trap (to go to ~10uK) has been studied in local group



TOF detector development

Preliminary

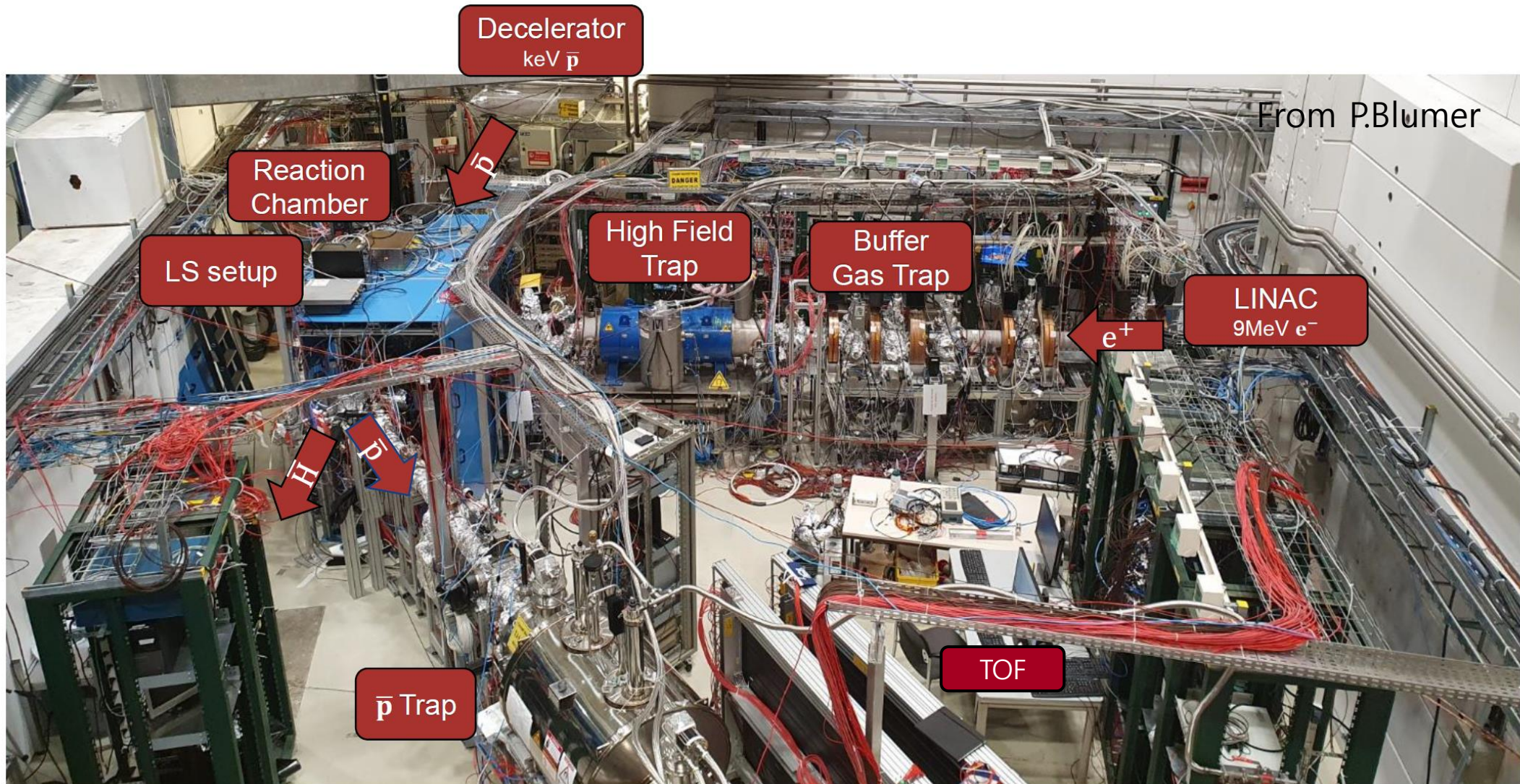
Temperature	Sign decision
10uK	~30 events
1mK	~6000 events



- TOF performance study was done by cosmic ray muon and achieved enough time precision (NIM A973 (2022) 164162)
- Simulation based on Geant4 with deep learning has been studied
- Estimated \bar{H} number to measure 1% precision is 1500# detection of freefall \bar{H} with 10uK
- Almost all cosmic ray background can be efficiently removed.

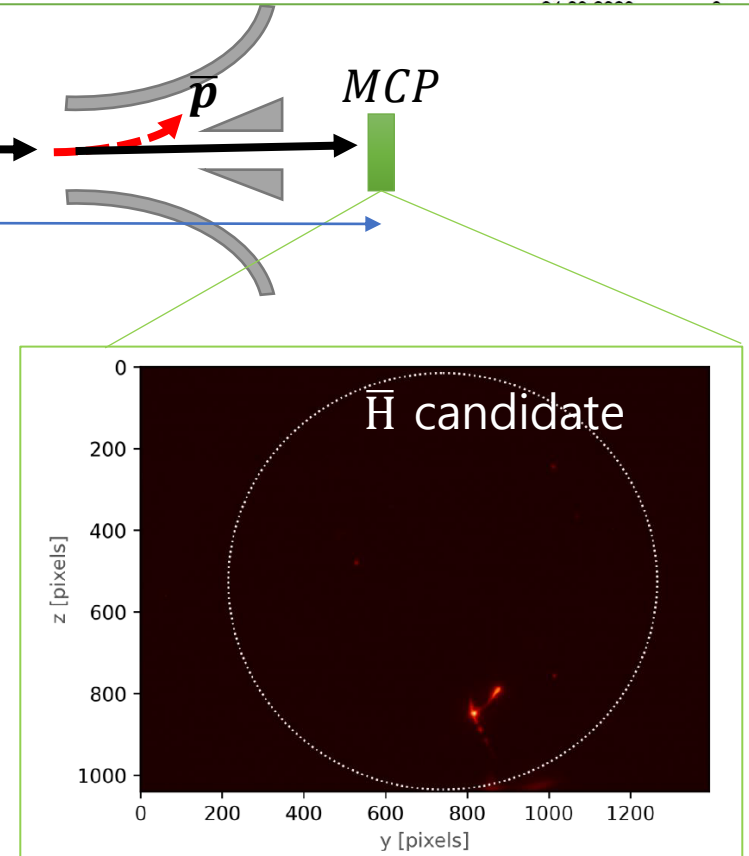
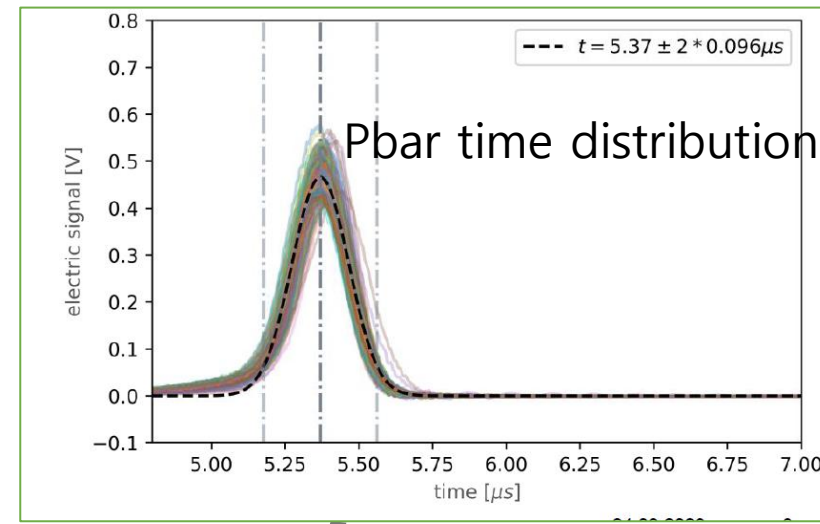
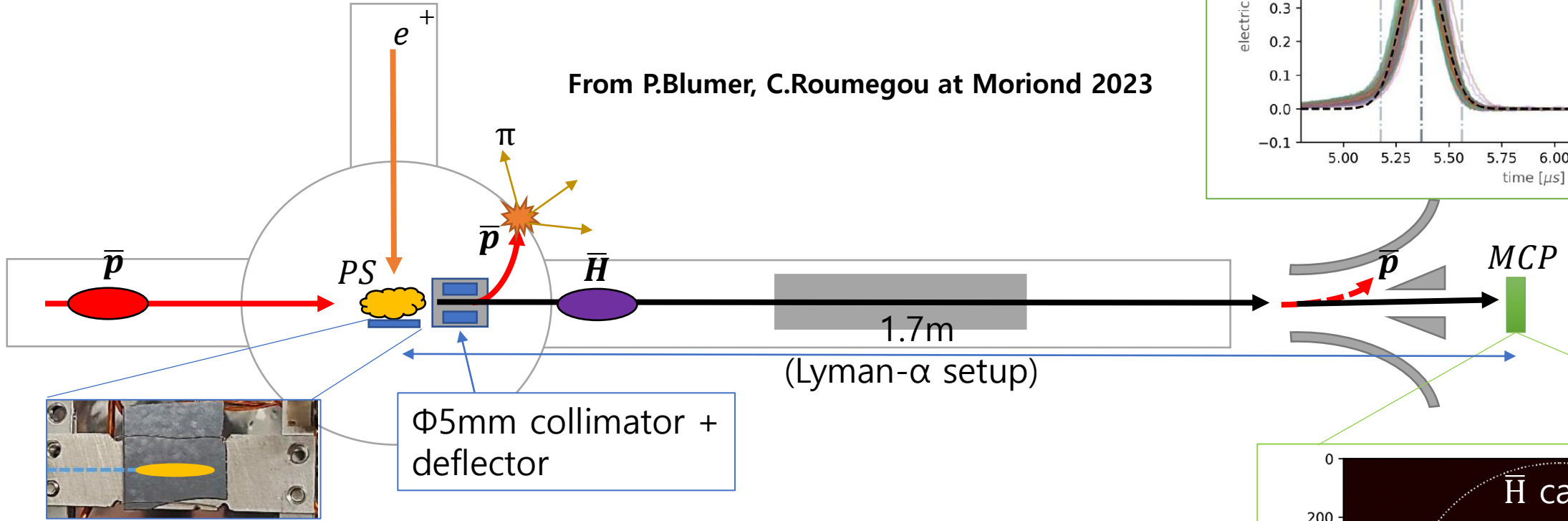
Current Status

Experiment setup (2022)



\bar{H} production (2022)

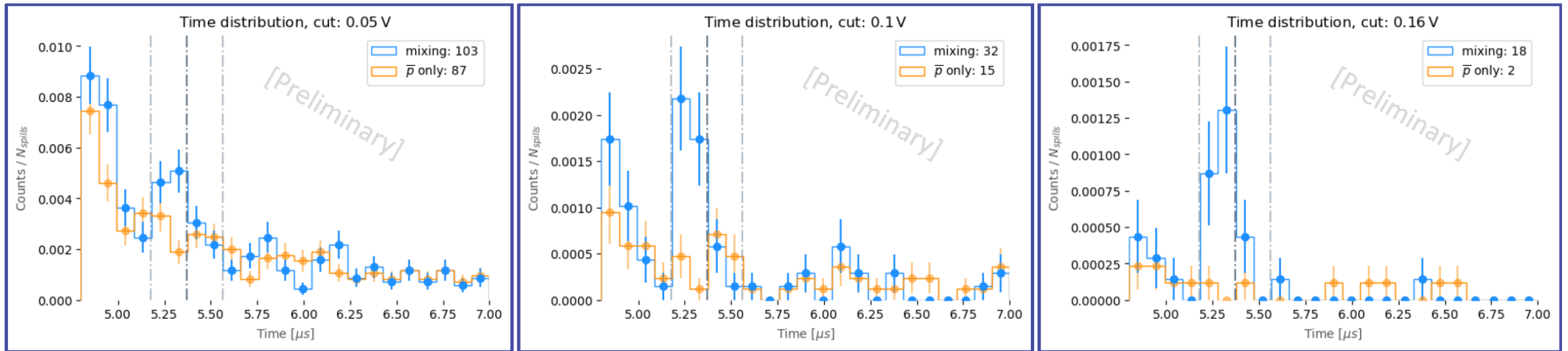
From P.Blumer, C.Roumegou at Moriond 2023



- \bar{p} is tuned at the reaction target for the transmission of antihydrogen until MCP at 1.7m distance after the reaction
- \bar{p} beam just after reaction(BG) is deflected by electric deflector and hits vacuum chamber.
- By 1.7m travel length, contamination of pion and γ background (generated at Reaction chamber) are reduced in the MCP signal.

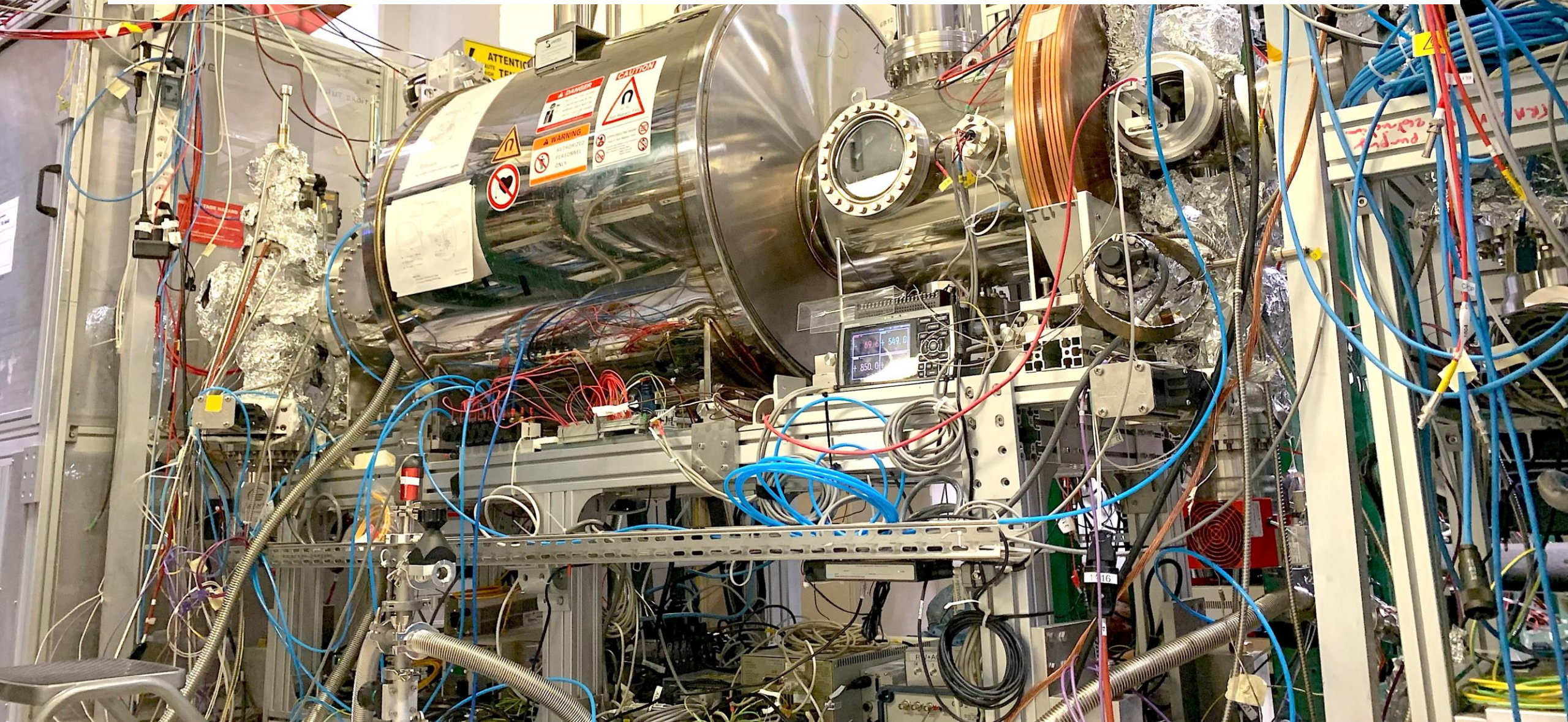
\bar{H} production (2022)

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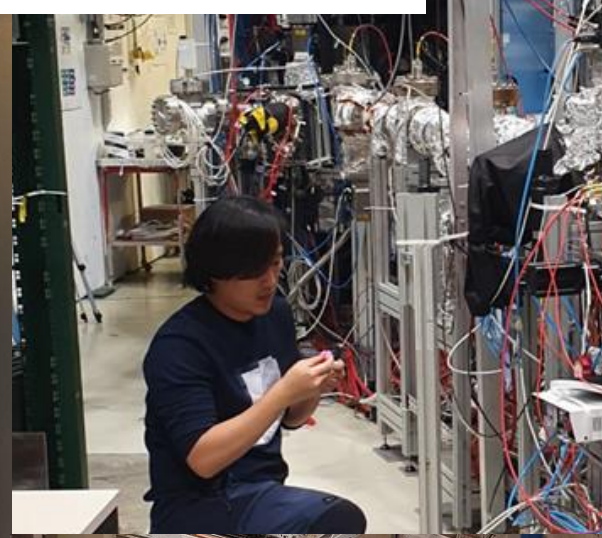
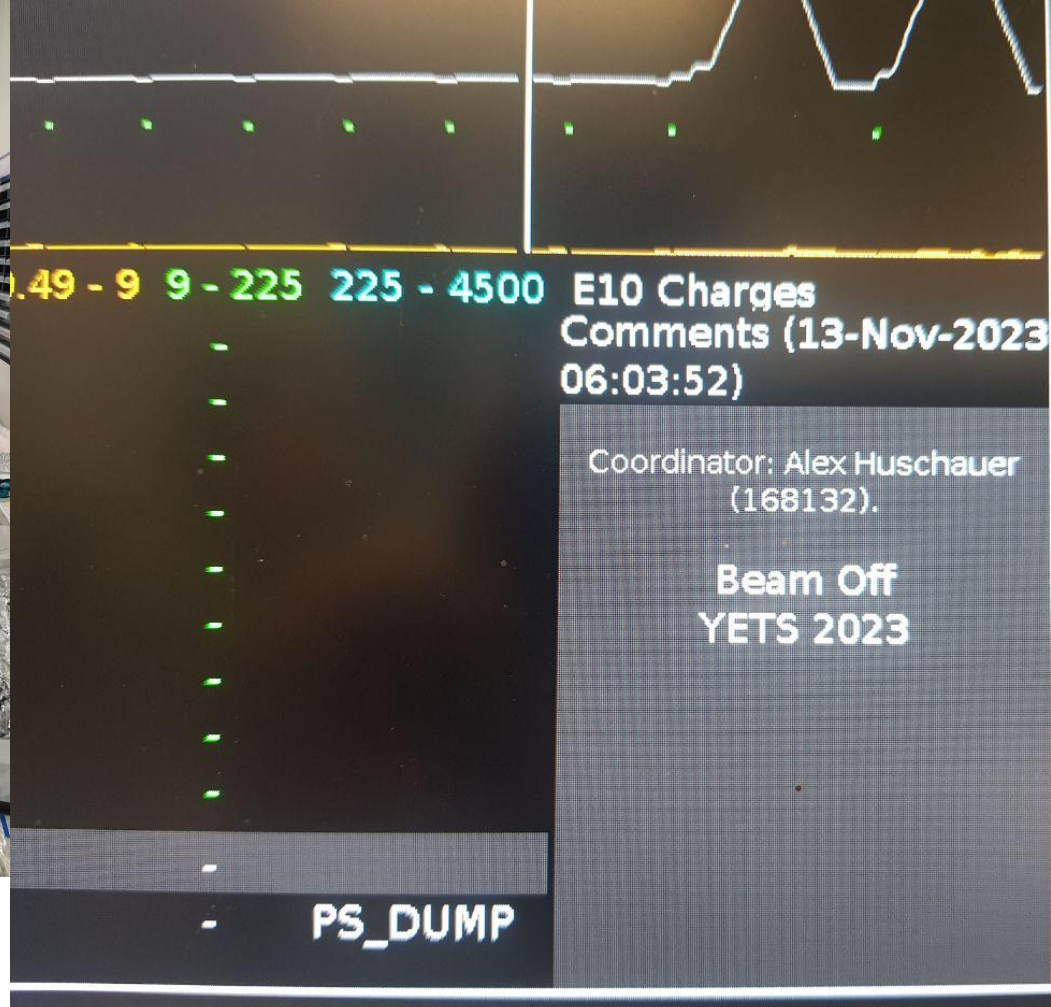


- Antihydrogen above 3σ is detected (which is **1st milestone**)
- (First) production of antihydrogen by charge exchange between o-Ps and antiproton **beam**
- Expected antihydrogen production rate $\sim 1.1 \pm 0.4 \bar{H}$ per 100 spills seems roughly matched with calculated value (no measurement for the cross-section yet)
- Published at Eur. Phys. J. C 83, 10004 (2023)

Experimental setup (2023)



Experimental setup (2023)



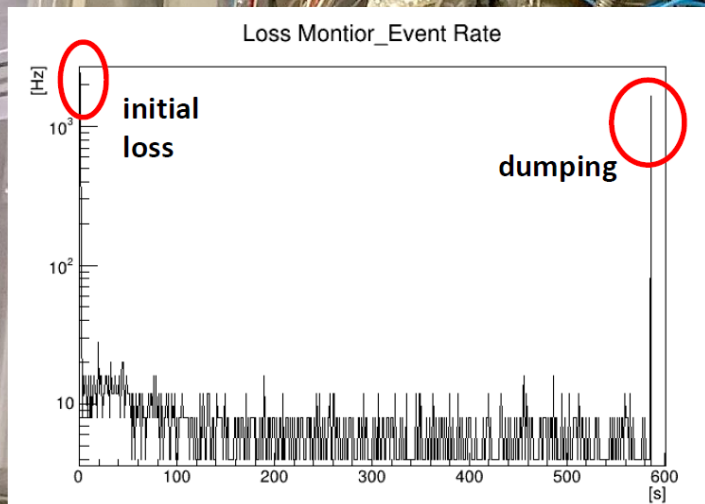
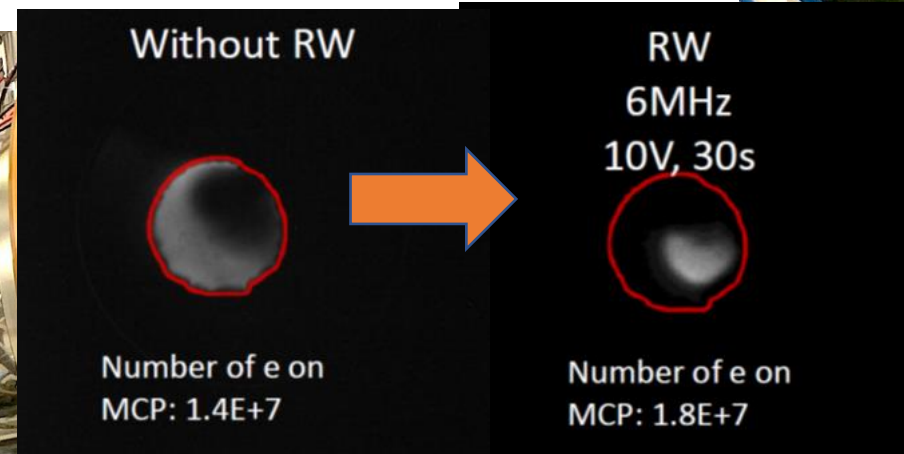
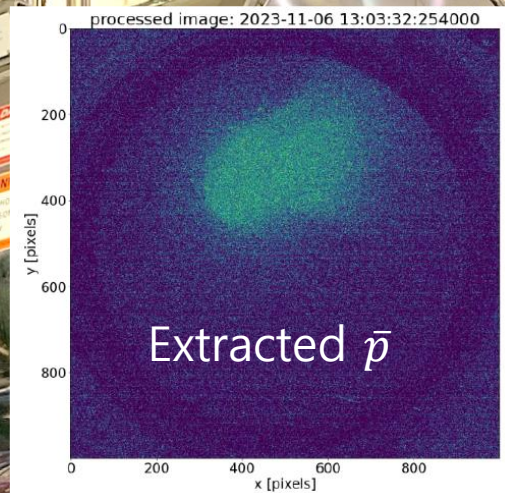
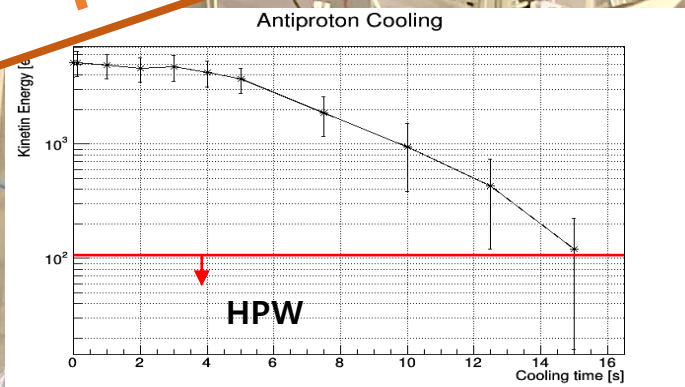
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\bar{p} trap demonstration (2023)

Preliminary



Operation	Process	Parameter
Trapping	70%	Efficiency(\bar{p})
Deceleration	60%	Efficiency(\bar{p})
Cooling	50%	e^- & \bar{p} cooling, life time
Compression	45%	e^- & \bar{p} compress, life time
Bunching	15%	Acceleration, bunching

- Antiproton trap was installed to final position at Sep. 2023
- Full operation has been checked and 35% efficiency has been shown during 2023 ($1.8 \times 10^6 / 110s$)
- Try to produce \bar{H} using \bar{p} beam from antiproton trap
- Aim to achieve world best accumulation of \bar{p} (now $\sim 4 \times 10^6 \bar{p}$)

Plan and expectation

Plan of 2024

- Demonstration & cross-section expectation of \bar{H}^+ by $H + Ps \rightarrow H^- + e^+$ experiment
- Antiproton trap commissioning (+ H^- cooling test?)

Plan before LS3 (until 2025)

- \bar{H}^+ production & cross-section measurement (with enough condition of Ps and \bar{p} : x1000 intensity (from 2022))
- Ready for free fall test ?
- Lamb-shift measurement

Antiproton beam line development

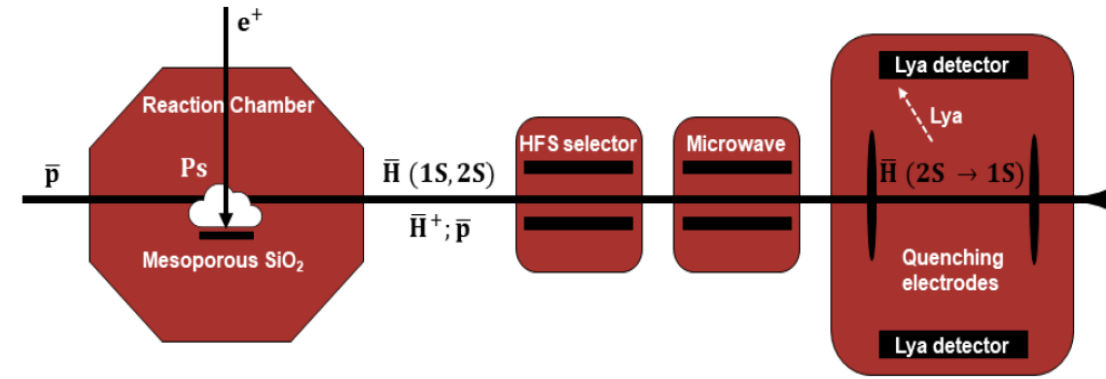
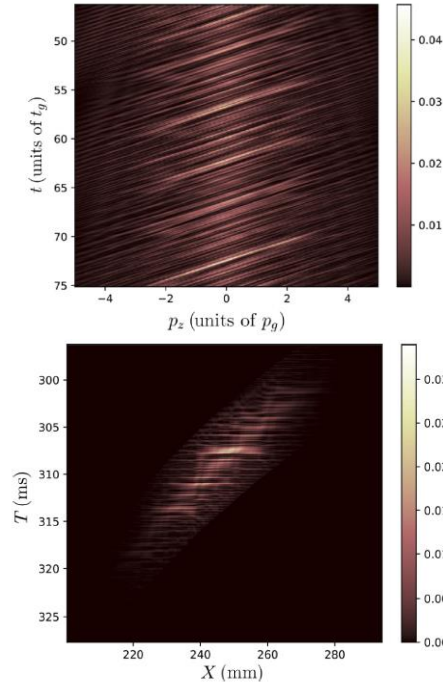
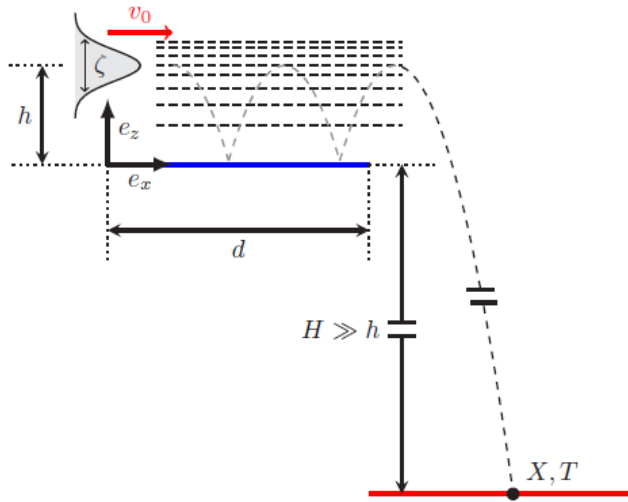
- Decelerator : French group (Orsay University (D.Lunney))
- Antiproton trap : Korean group
- FKPPL from 2023
- Recycler and recycling : Started from French group and now being Collaborated with Korean group → Recycler will be made at IBS
- What's done and planed : Reproduce antiproton beam from ELENA to well tuned beam for antihydrogen ion production

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Decelerator		+ antiproton trap			+ recycler	
Energy	T width	σ_r (at RC)	ΔE	T width	Efficiency	Intensity
<10keV	<100ns	<1mm	~10eV	56ns	~90%	X 10

- Current production rate requires much more input (>> x 100)
- Future plan : increasing antiproton intensity to x10 by recycler (2024, 2025)

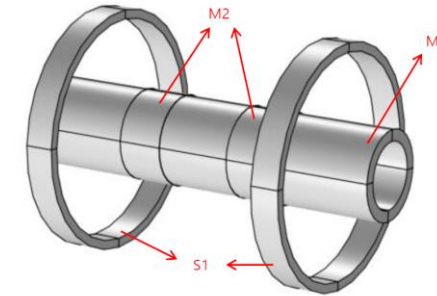
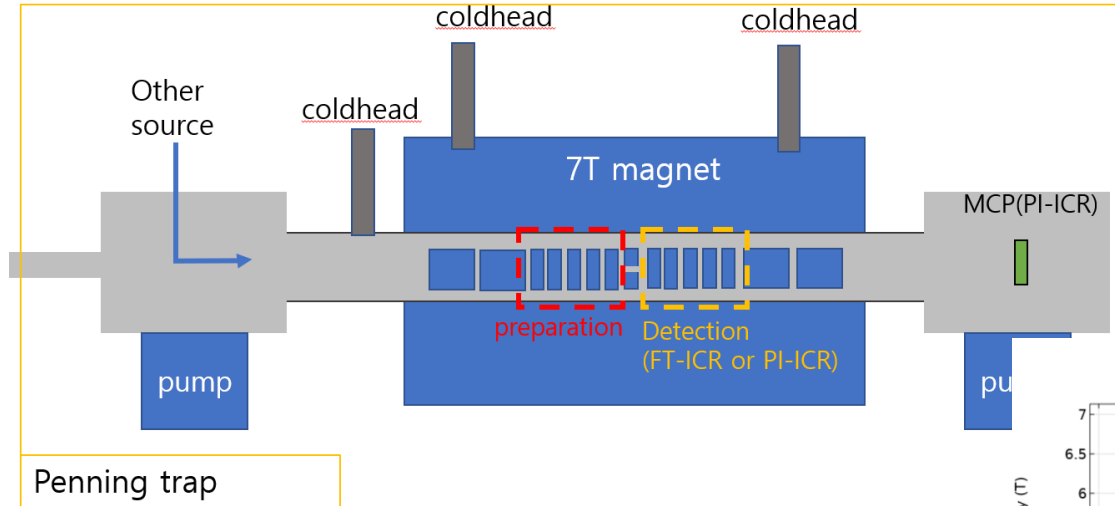
Outlook for physics in GBAR



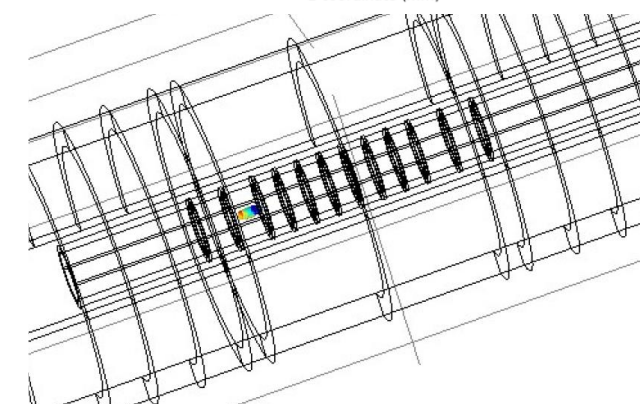
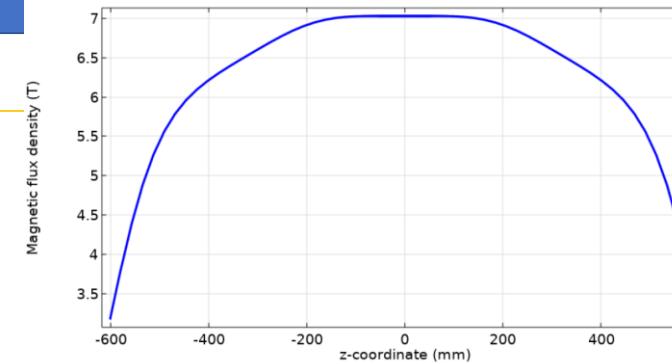
- Can be improved with proper shaper
- Quantum bouncing of antihydrogen (by Casimir-polder force)
- ultra cold neutron demonstration ([Nature volume 415](#), pages297 (2002))
- + velocity shaping : precision below 10^{-3} (Eur. Phys. J. C (2014) 742731)
- Quantum interference to improve the accuracy (10^{-5}) : Phys. Rev. A 99,042119

- Device was commissioned in 2021 by hydrogen
- First attempt of \bar{H} Lamb shift measurement by Ramsey technique is aimed
- GBAR can produce $\bar{H}(2S)$ and possibly measure a level of 100ppm
- Do more CPT test?

Further development



Magnetic field (R=0)



- We have technology for low temperature UHV penning-malmberg trap development
- ➔ Aim to make a penning trap for mass spectroscopy (at RAON?)
- Magnet production : end of 2024
- Possible assembly of the penning trap : middle of 2025
- Simulation study : COMSOL simulation for design study (injection, trapping, extraction)
- Precision detection technique will be developed by reference sources
- : PI-ICR(ion cyclotron resonance) ($\delta m/m < 10^{-7}$) by position sensitive MCP detector

Summary and Prospect

Summary

- GBAR experiment aims to confirm WEP_{ff} and to measure gravitational acceleration of \bar{H} below 1%
- GBAR succeeded to achieve first milestone which is production of \bar{H} .
- KGAR team has developed TOF detector & antiproton trap successfully and will do commissioning next year

Plan before long shutdown (LS3)

- Increase source intensity with re-moderator & better compression (o-Ps x 100) and \bar{p} recycler (\bar{p} x10) for \bar{H}^+ production.
- \bar{H}^+ production and cross-section measurement

Prospect

- First \bar{H} freefall measurement to 1% precision from GBAR experiment : probably after LS3
- CPT test by \bar{H} beam (Lyman- α) is planed before LS3
- Development freefall test with quantum bouncing of anti-hydrogen for 10^{-5} precision
- Development of penning trap for mass spectroscopy ($\delta m/m \sim 10^7$) from 2023 (with CENS, RAON?)

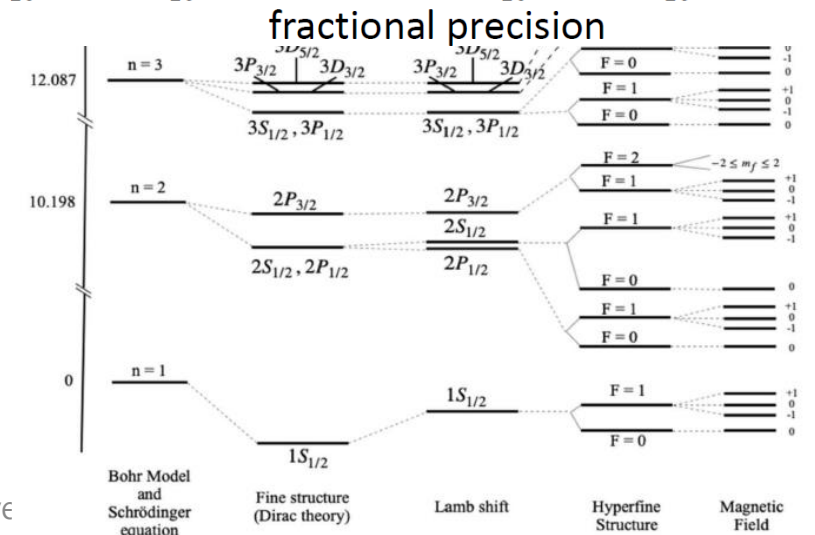
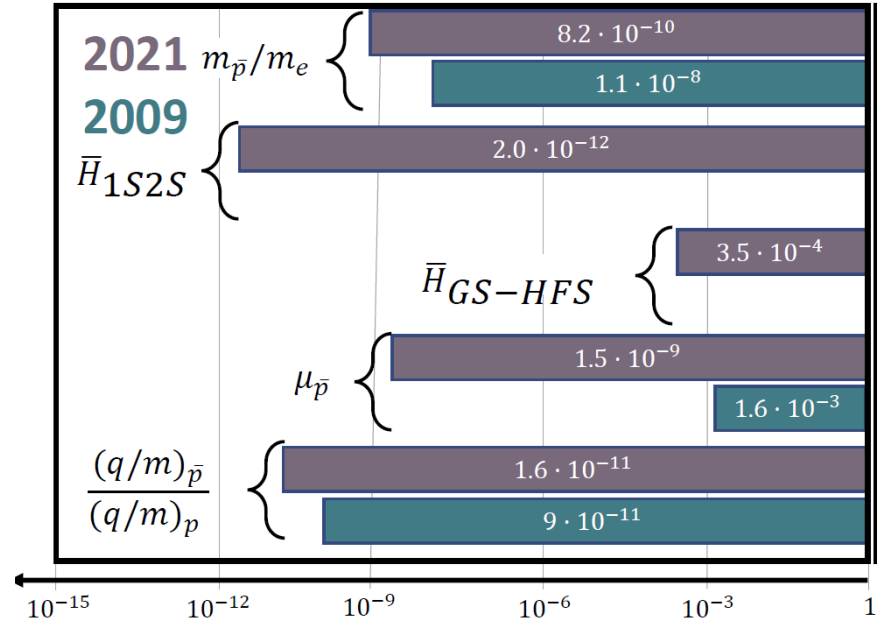
Backup

CPT test at AD

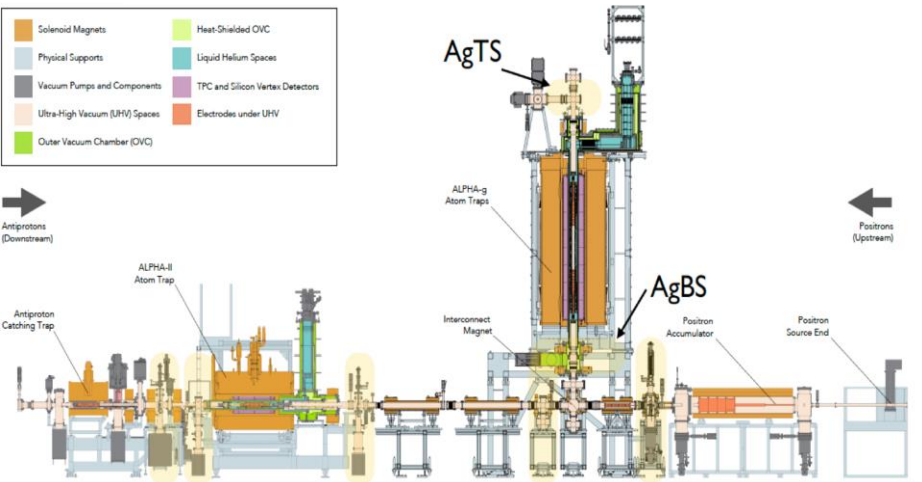
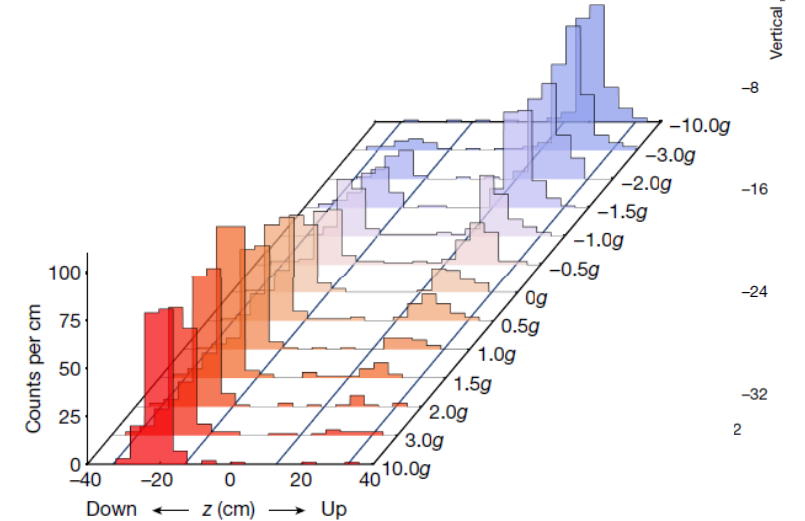
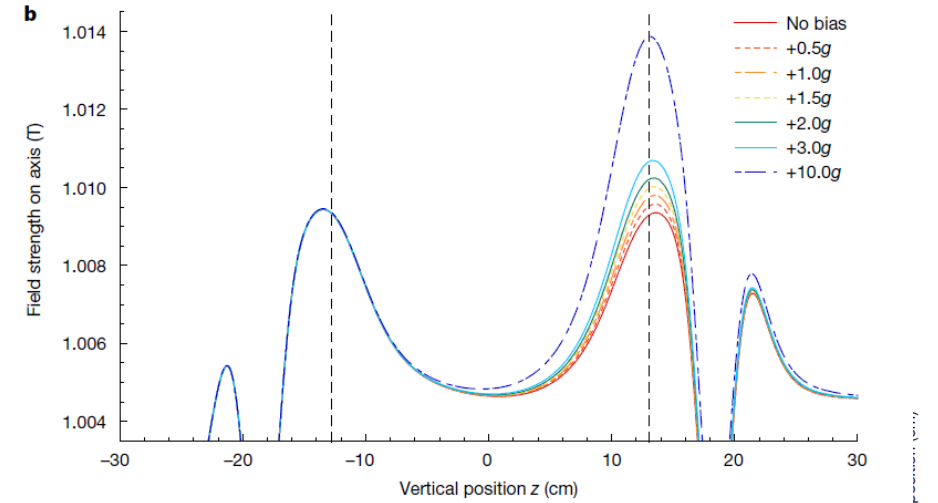
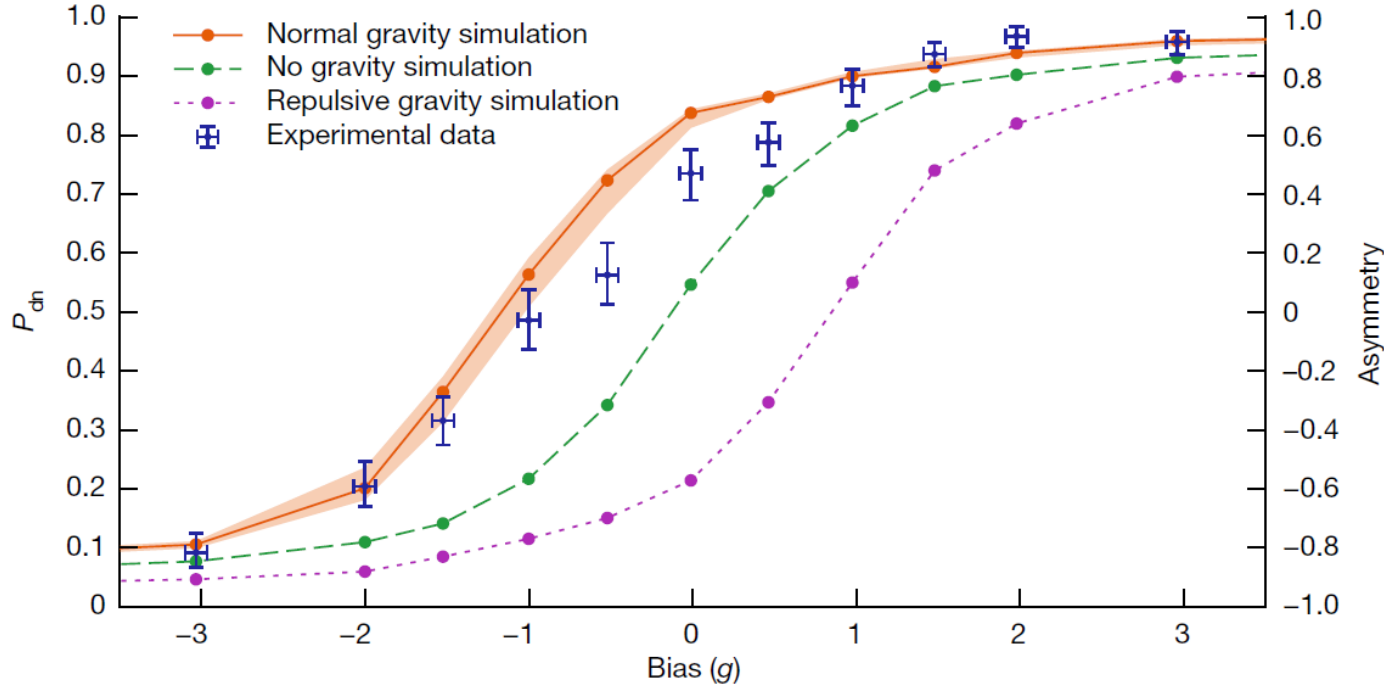
From Stefan Ulmer's slide (ADUC)

- Spectroscopy of antihydrogen
 - 1S - 2S transition : (hydrogen $4.2e^{-15}$) CPT with antihydrogen : 200 ppt (2017) \rightarrow 2 ppt (Nature 557, 71-75 (2018))
 - 1S- 2P transition : 16 ppb (nature 578, 375 (2020))
 - Hyperfine splitting : observed 2% ($2P_{1/2}$ - $2P_{3/2}$) : 250ppm (nature 548, 66-69 (2017), nature 578, 375 (2020)) by ALPHA
 - Lamb shift : agreed a level of 11% ($2S_{1/2}$ - $2P_{1/2}$) (nature 578, 375 (2020)) by ALPHA

- Proton & antiproton CPT test by BASE
 - g-factor : 1.5 ppb (nature 524, 196-199 (2015))
 - m/q ratio : 16 ppt (nature 601, 53-57 (2022))



Antihydrogen WEP test



- ALPHA experiment

2018 : Alpha-g magnet constructed

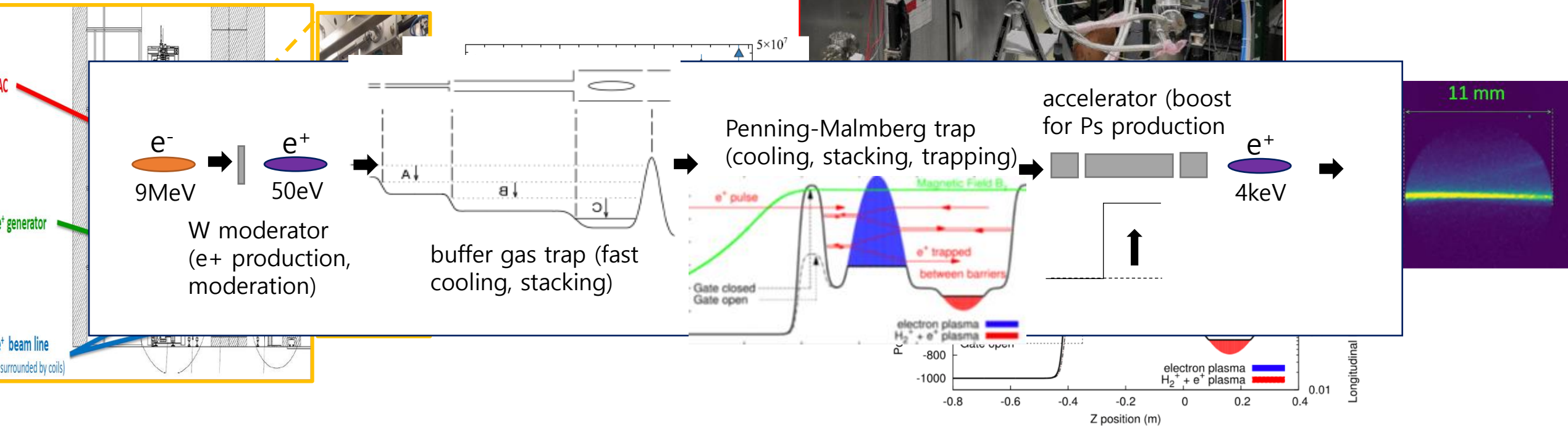
2023 : Rule out Repulsive antigravity by \bar{H} with $T < 0.5K$ (**Nature 621, 716-722 (2023)**)

$$a_{\bar{g}} = (0.75 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.16) \times g$$

Positron beam for Ps production

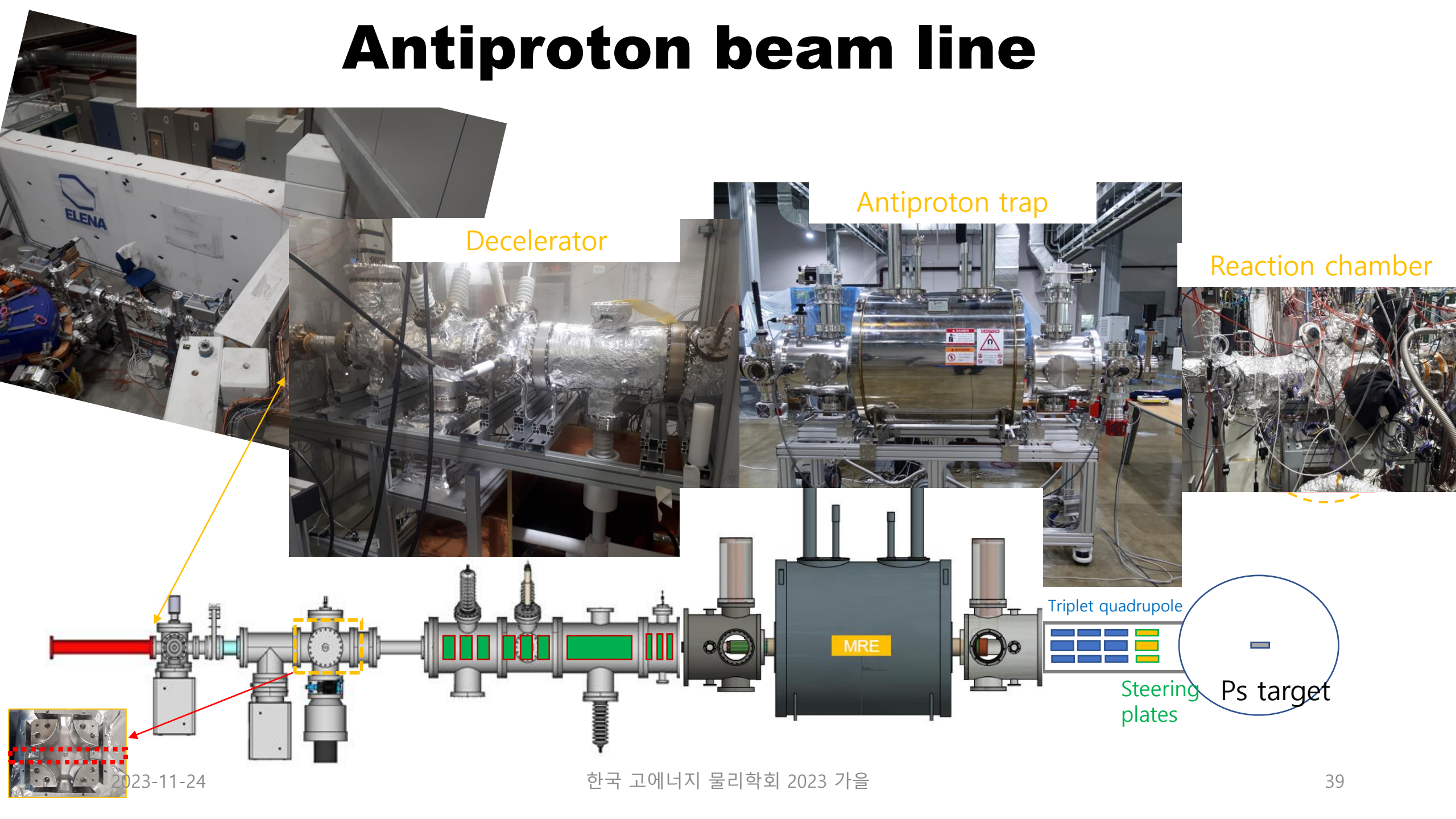
Linac and positron target

Positron high field trap



- Positron beam : monoenergetic positron beam generated from bremsstrahlung-induced pair production by 300Hz 9MeV e^- linac with W moderator \rightarrow a goal to $3 \times 10^8 e^+/s$ (commissioning in this year) M.Charlton et al., NIM A 985, 164657 (2021)
- Positron accumulation by high field trap : goal to $1 \times 10^{10} e^+$ (110s) with electron cooling ($1.4 \times 10^9 e^+/1100s$ achieved) (NIM A 1040 (2022) 167263)
- Positron acceleration & bunching by electrostatic lenses to reaction target ($2 \times 10 \text{mm}^2$)
- SiC re-moderator has been prepared for better trapping efficiency

Antiproton beam line



Decelerator

Antiproton trap

Reaction chamber

Triplet quadrupole

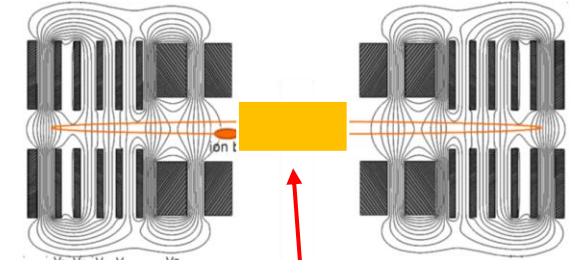
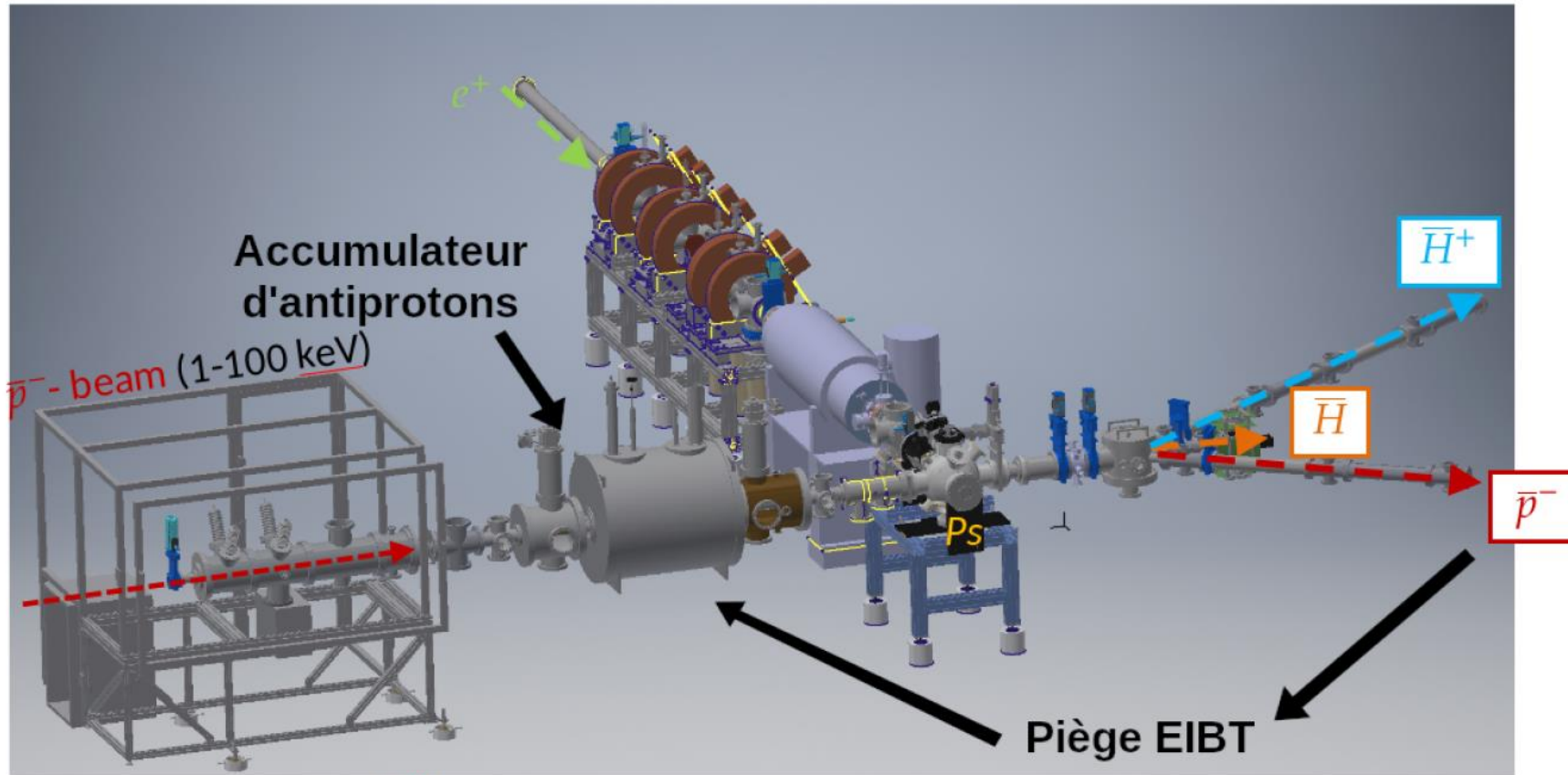
Steering plates

Ps target

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Antiproton beam with addition of recycler



\bar{p}^- : Anti-Protons \bar{H} : Anti-Hydrogen e^- : Electrons
 p^+ : Protons \bar{H}^+ : Anti-Hydrogen ion e^+ : Positrons Ps : Positronium

100keV pbar beam → Deceleration → Trap&Cool&compress → Target ← Reflection

