



# Target challenges for the next generation of Neutrino Facilities

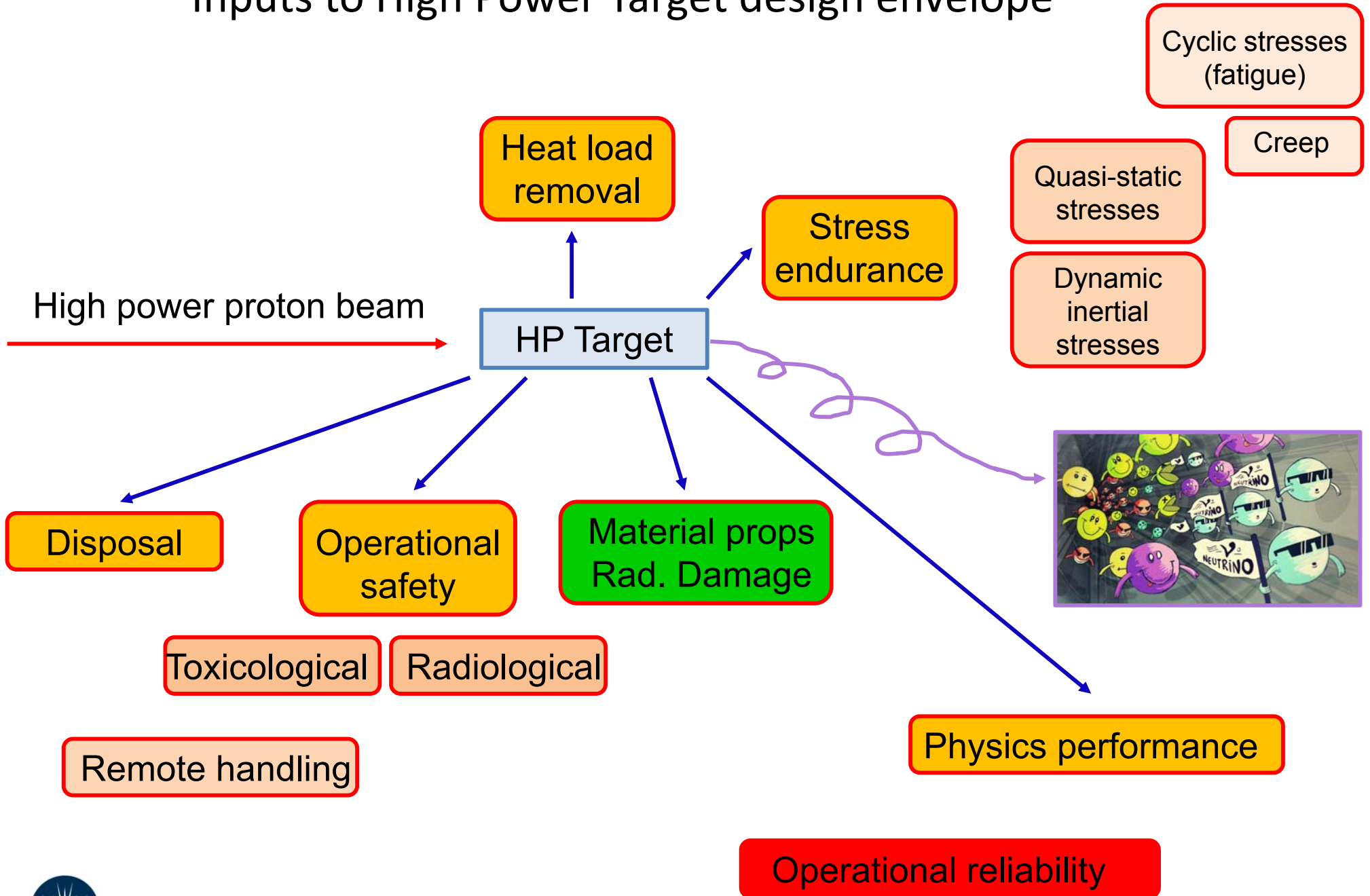
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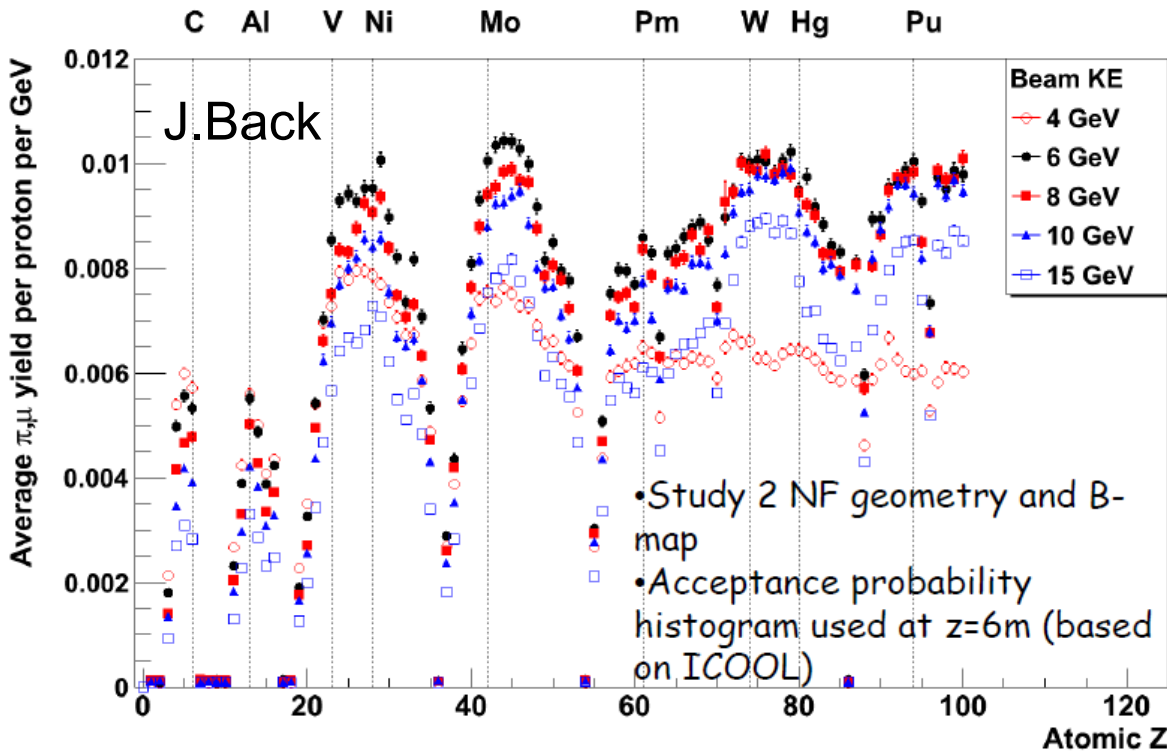
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# Inputs to High Power Target design envelope



# Yield or Productivity?!

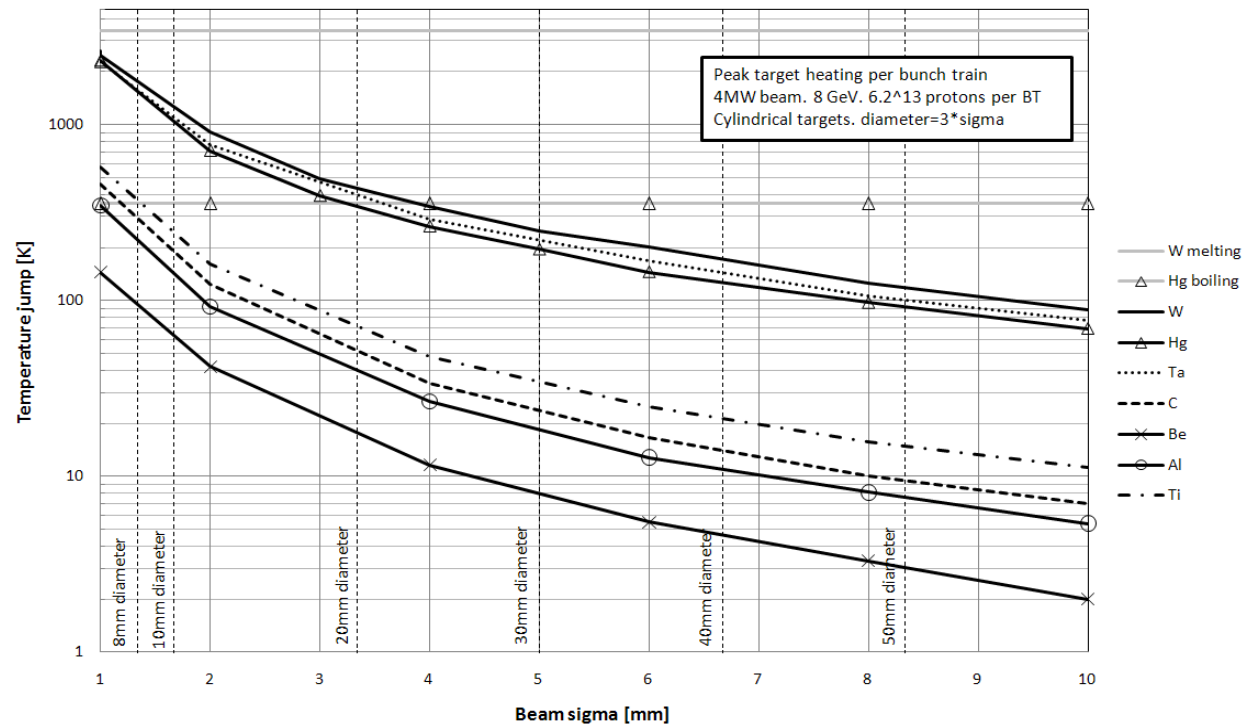


See NF yield in W with that in C (left) and see respective peak temperature jump (below)

## Reliability in engineering

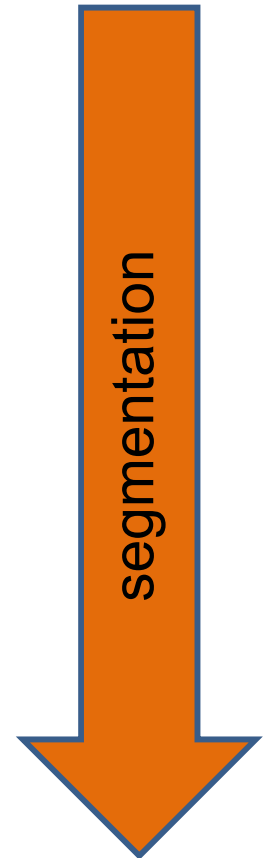
$$R_f = r_1 * r_2 * r_3 * \dots * r_n$$

Where  $r_n \leq 1$  is the reliability of a given component



# Heat Removal and Thermal stresses

Target	Power Deposited [kW]	Peak Temperature Jump [K]	Existing or proposed solution
Mu2e	2	0.0014	Peripherally cooled cylinder
T2K	15	100	
Numi	4	364	Peripherally cooled segmented
Nova	8	253	
LBNE	23	75+	
ISIS	100	3.8	Segmented with cooling through core
EuroNu	200	62	
Neutrino Factory	500	1000?	Flowing or rotating target
ESS	3000	100	Rotating target with cooling through core of target

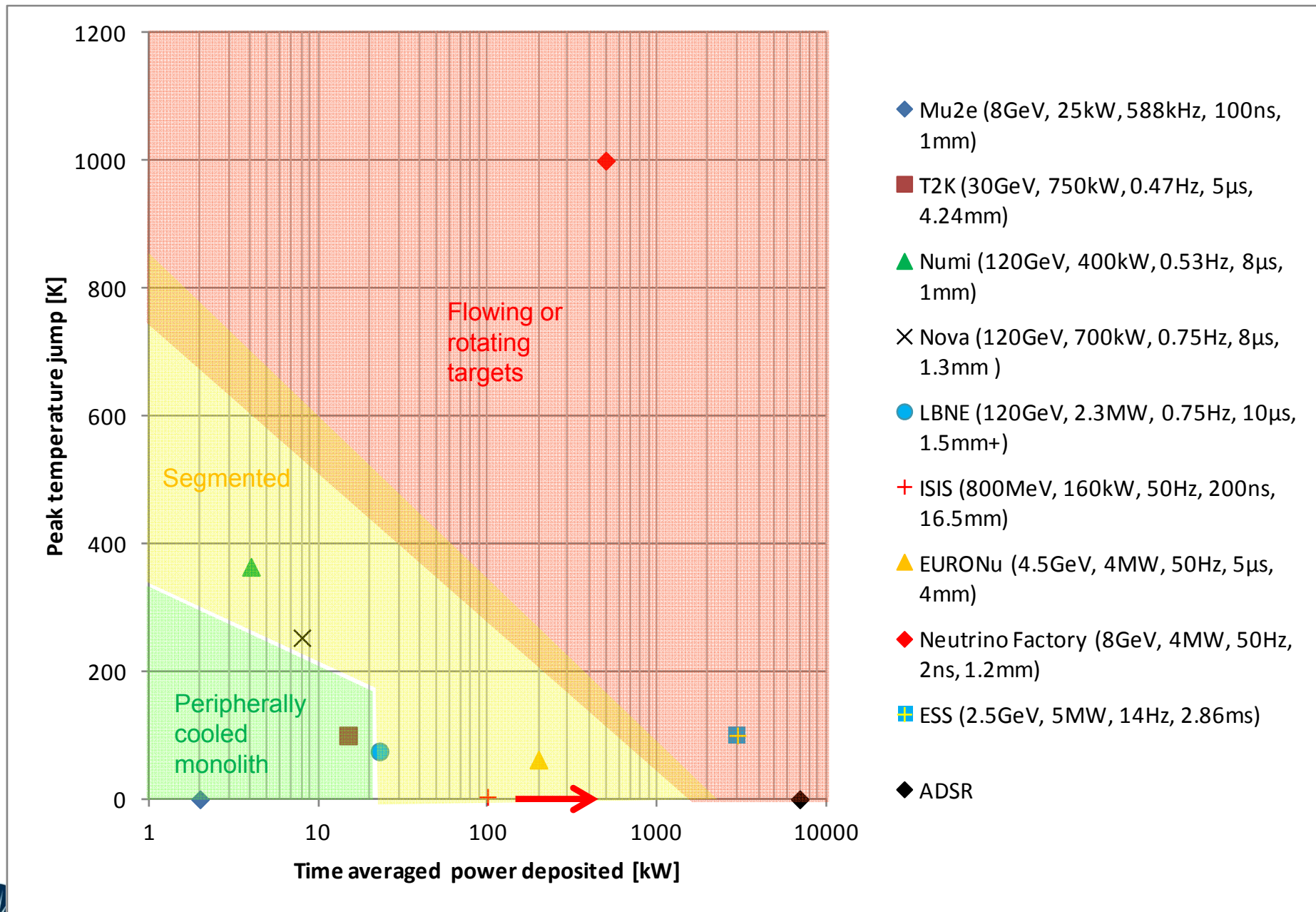


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**Segmentation is a powerful tool to improve cooling and reduce stresses although there's no such thing as a free ride..**



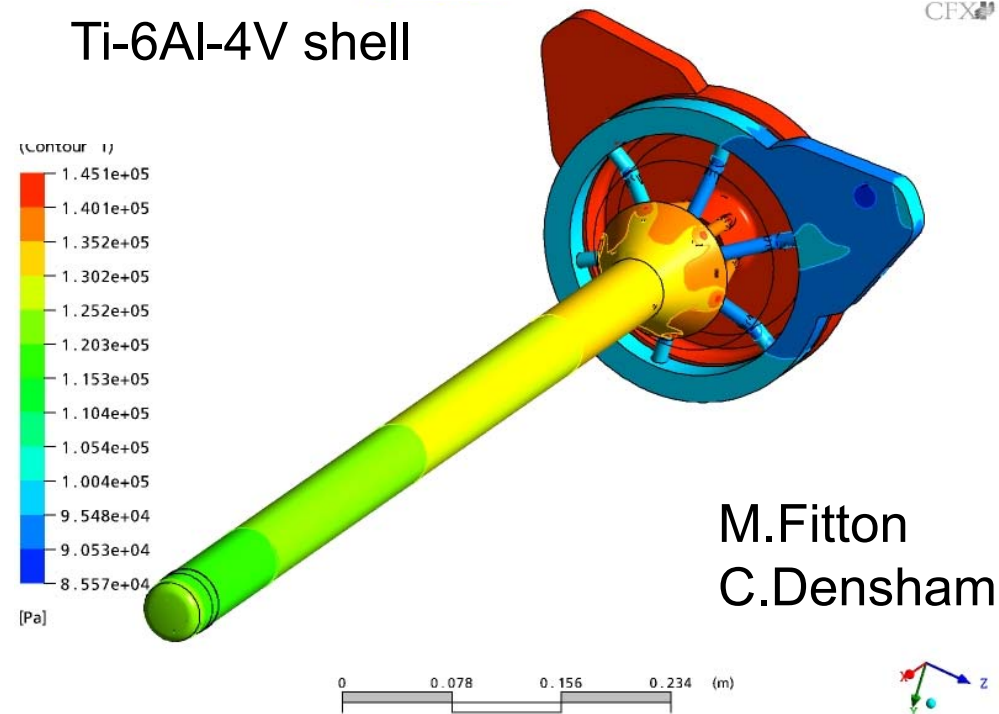
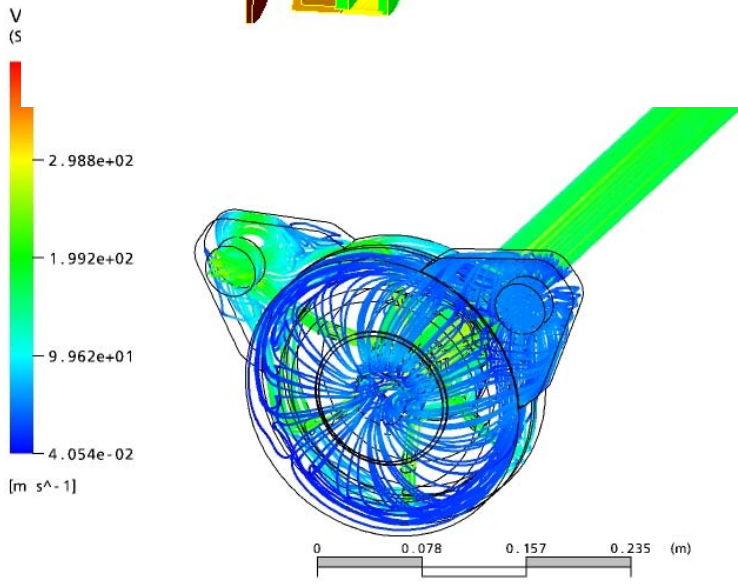
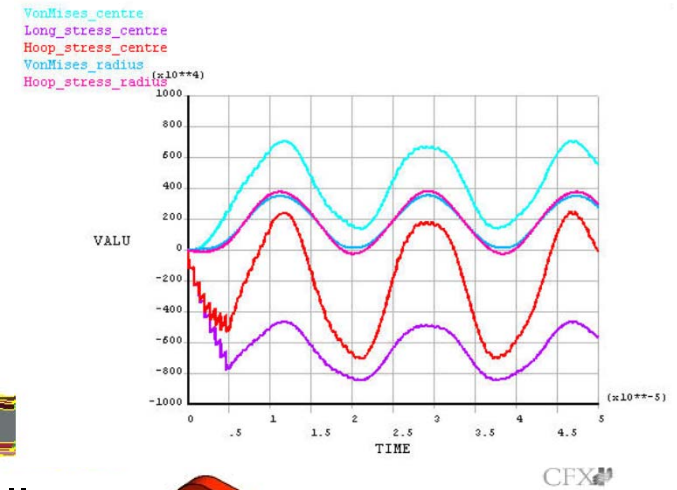
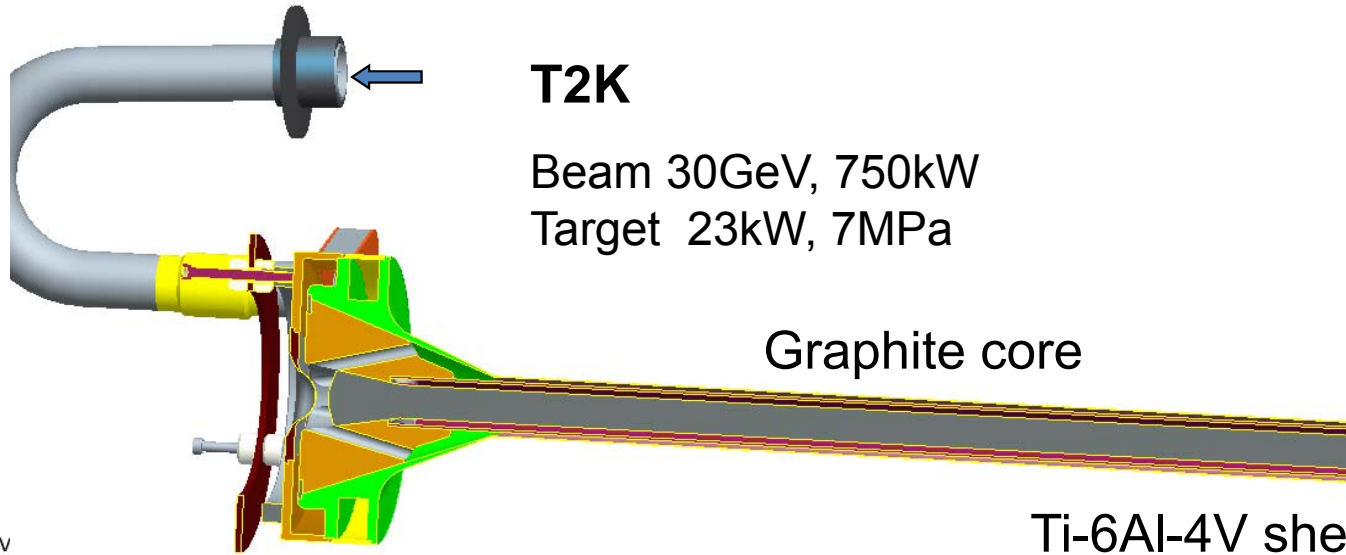
# Heat Removal and Thermal Stress Summary



# Monolithic (peripherally cooled) target: T2K

**T2K**

Beam 30GeV, 750kW  
Target 23kW, 7MPa



Helium cooling velocity streamlines

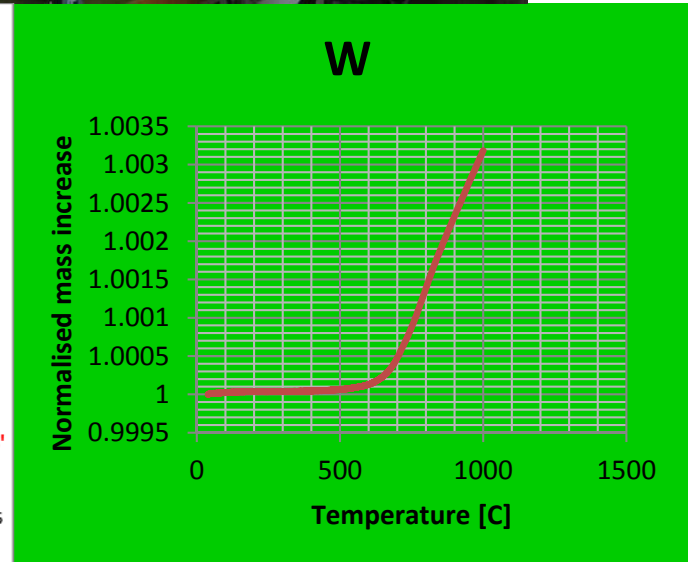
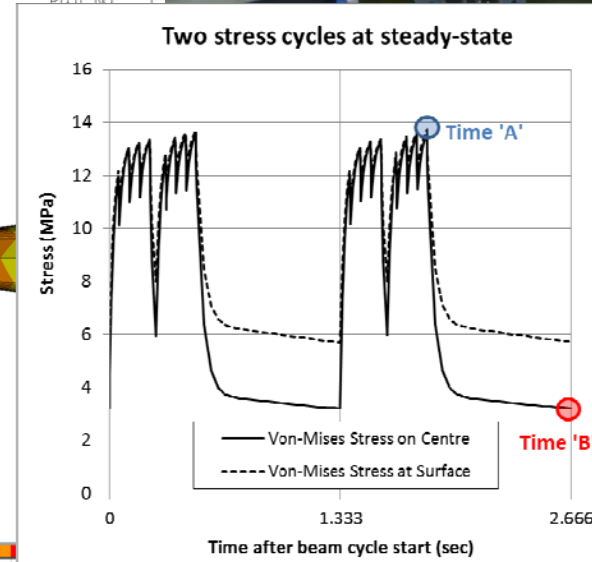
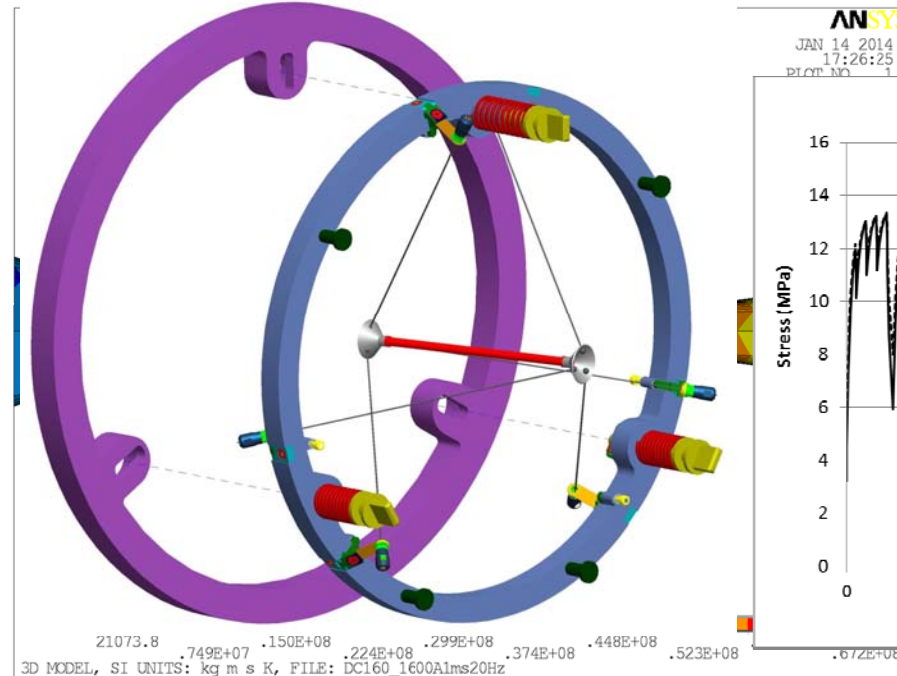
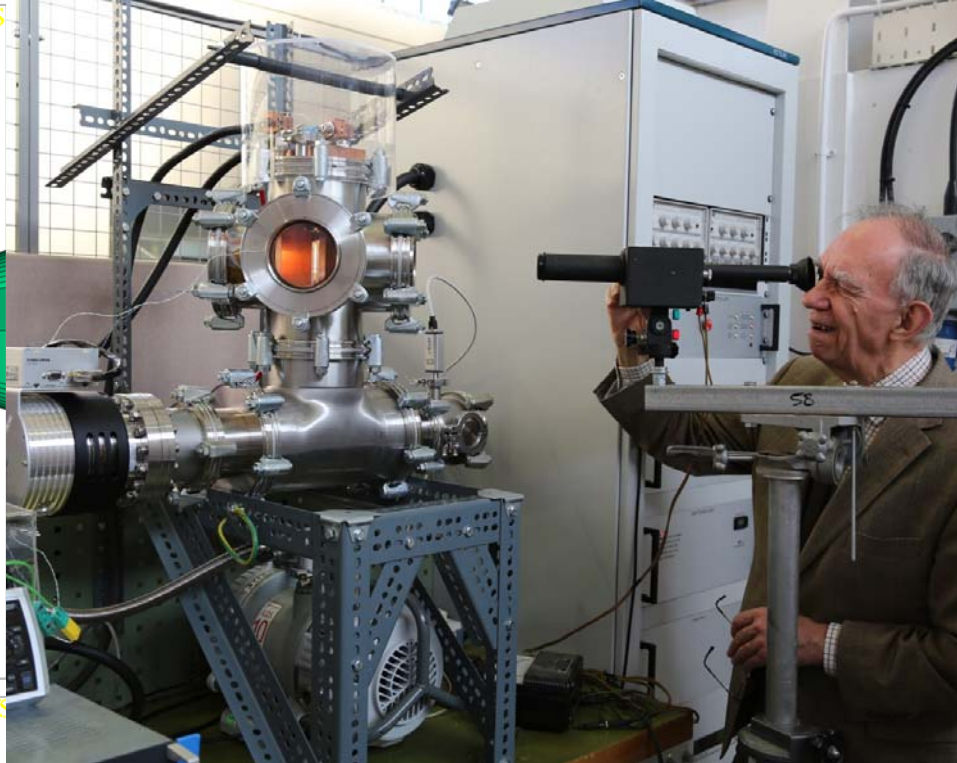
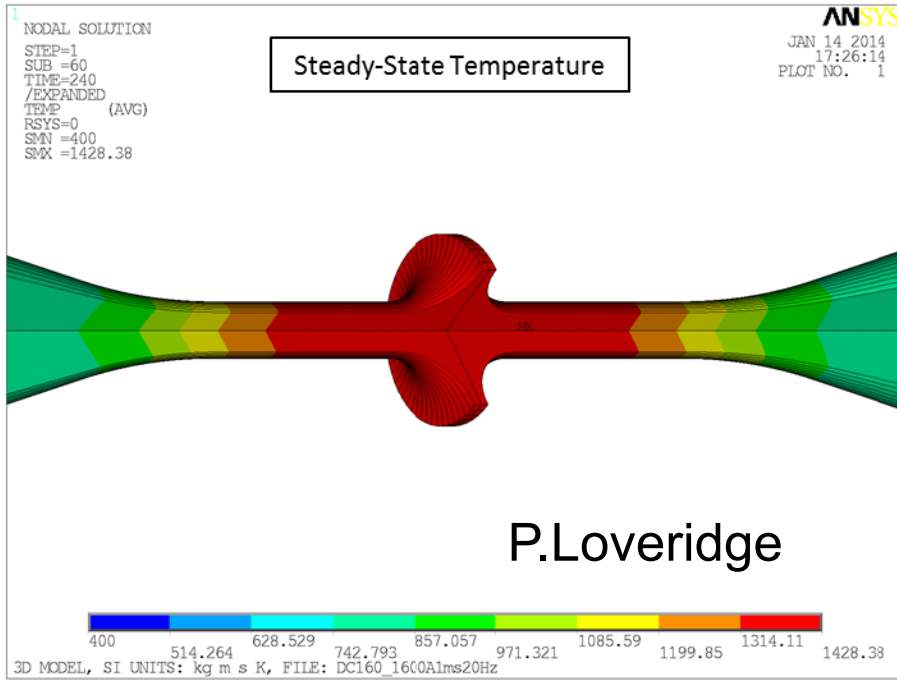
Maximum velocity = 398 m/s

Pressures (gauge)

Pressure drop = 0.792 bar



# Monolithic radiation cooled target: Mu2e

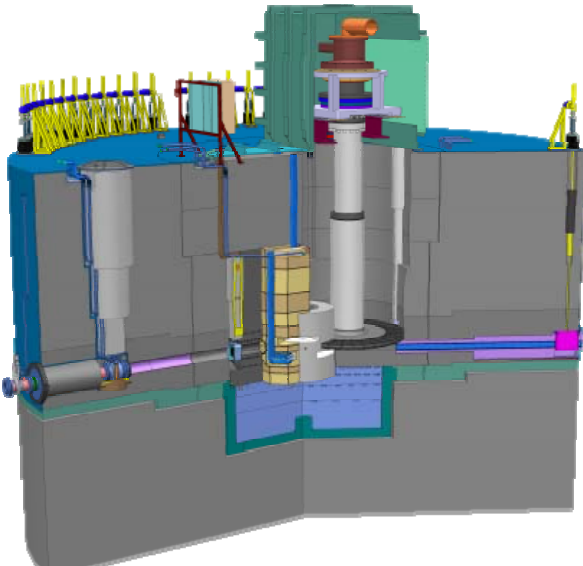




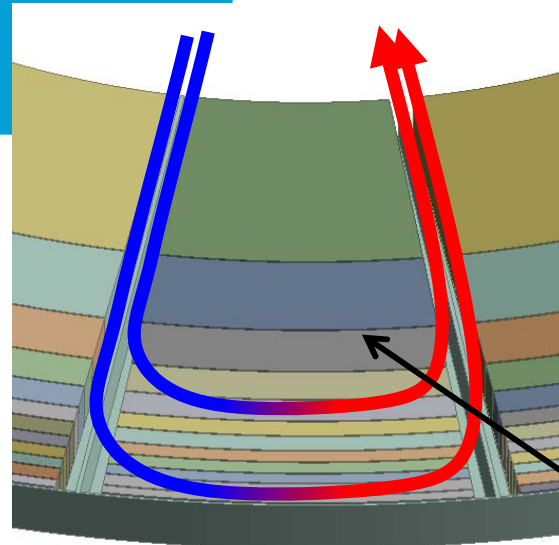
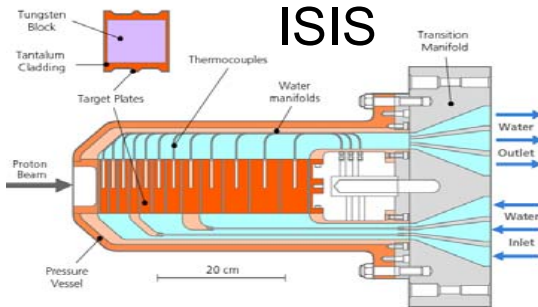
EUROPEAN SPALLATION SOURCE

# Segmented target: ESS wheel

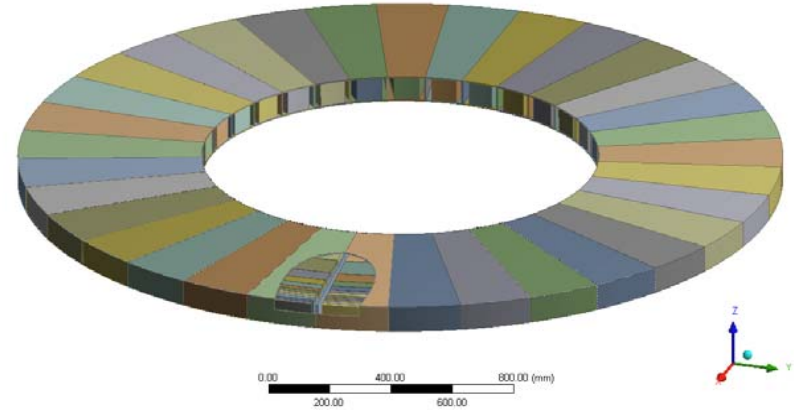
5 MW target: helium cooled tungsten wheel



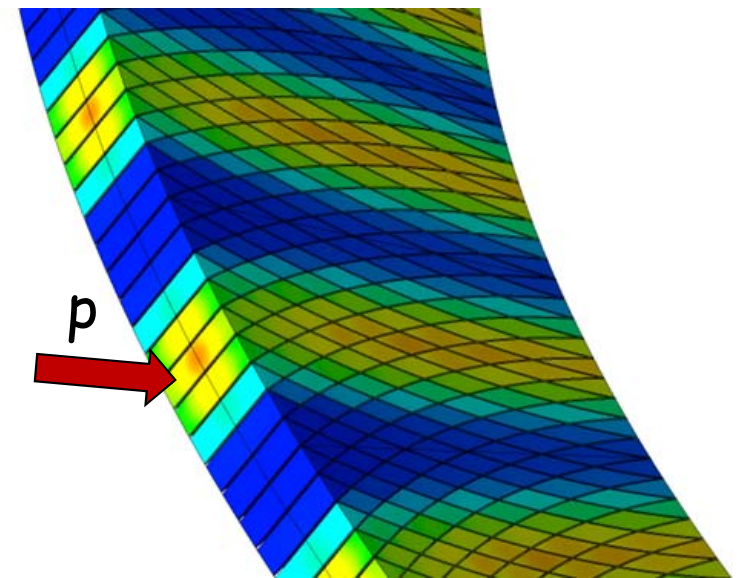
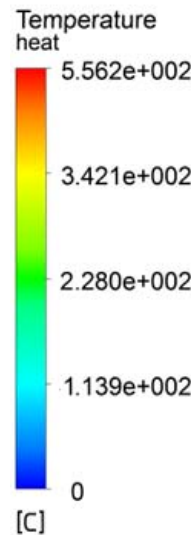
ISIS



Gap of 2mm

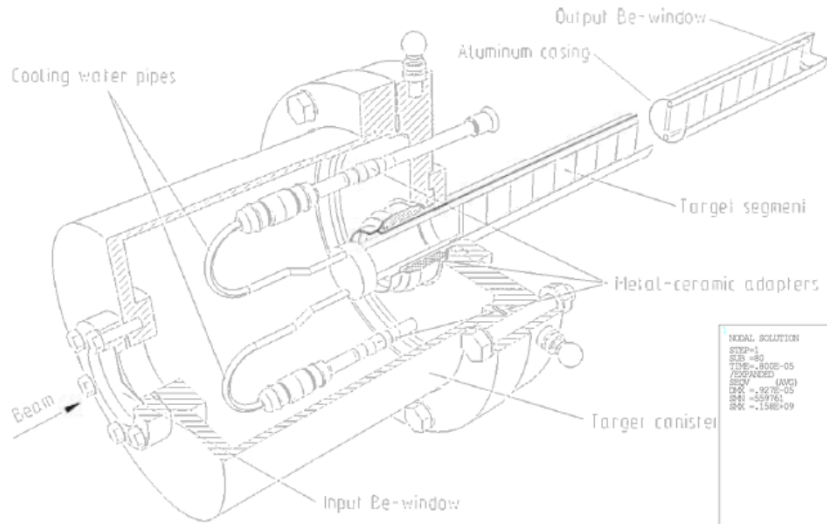


Segmentation is necessary to remove the heat and a higher degree of segmentation may be required to reduce the peak stresses



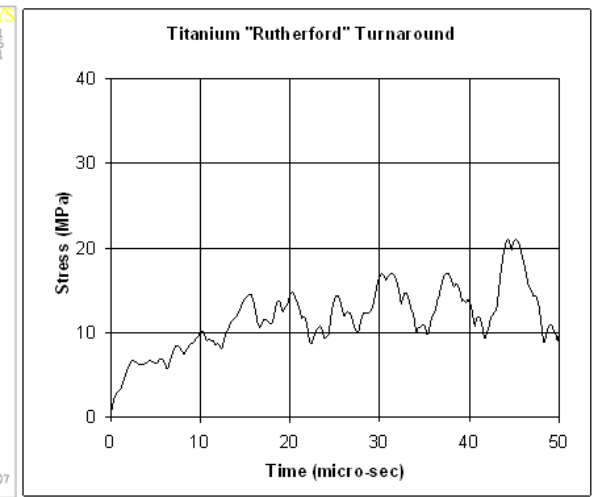
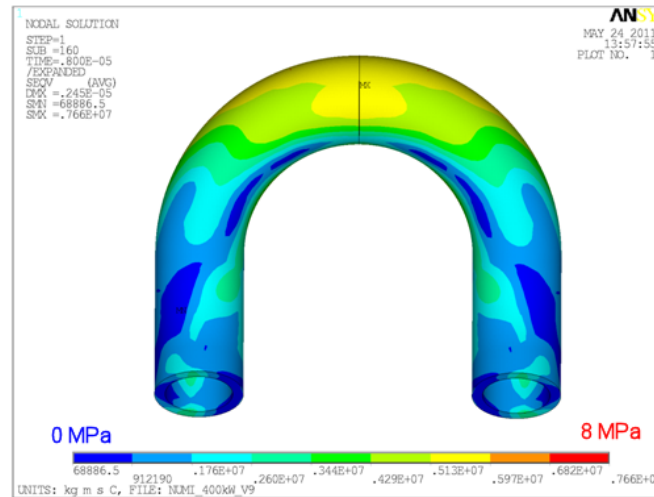
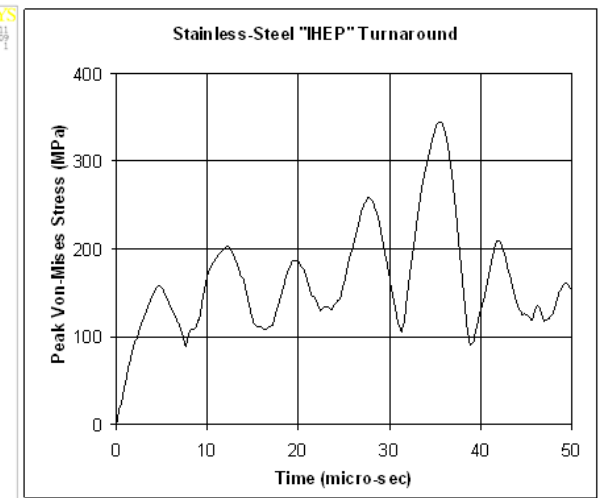
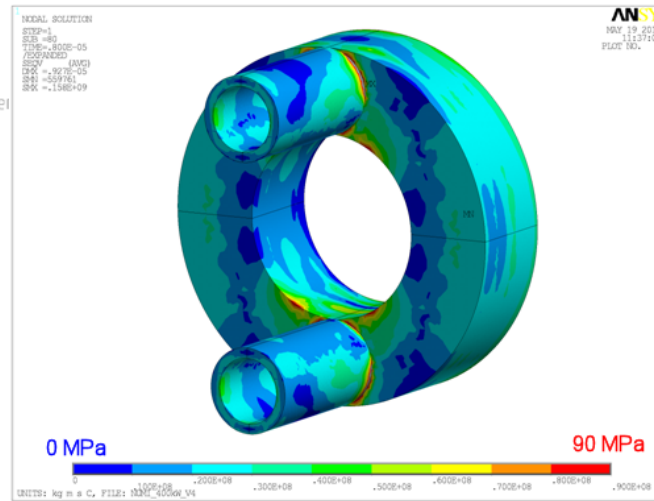


# Segmented Target: NuMi



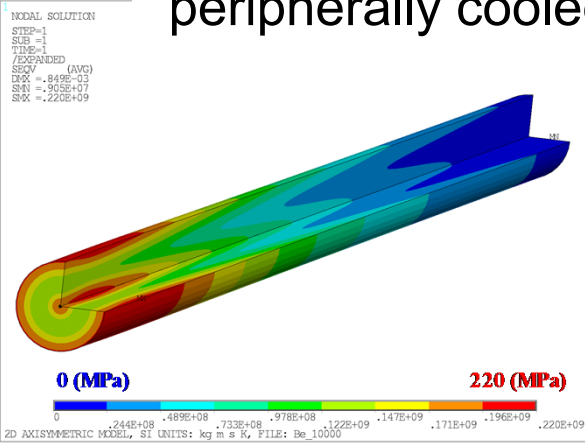
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5K temperature jump in water  
40K temperature jump in Steel  
cooling tubes

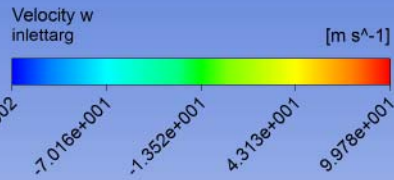
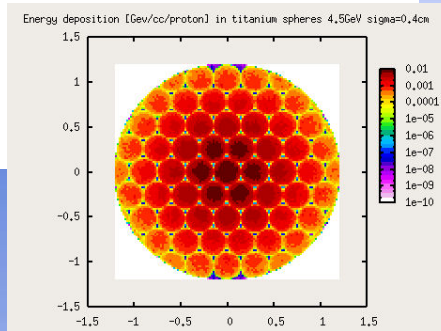
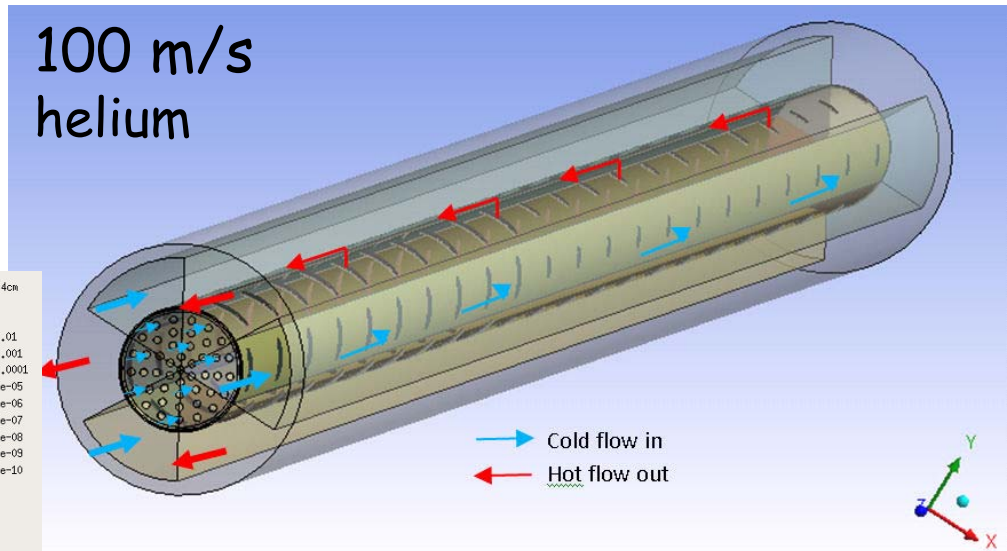


# Segmented Target: EURONu

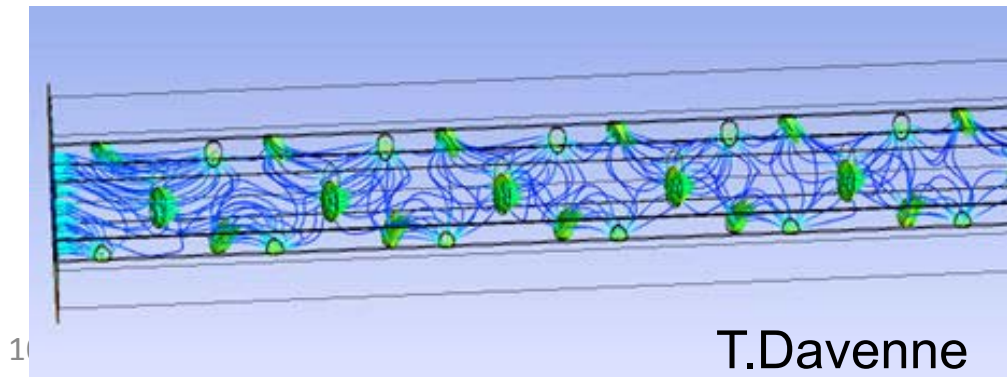
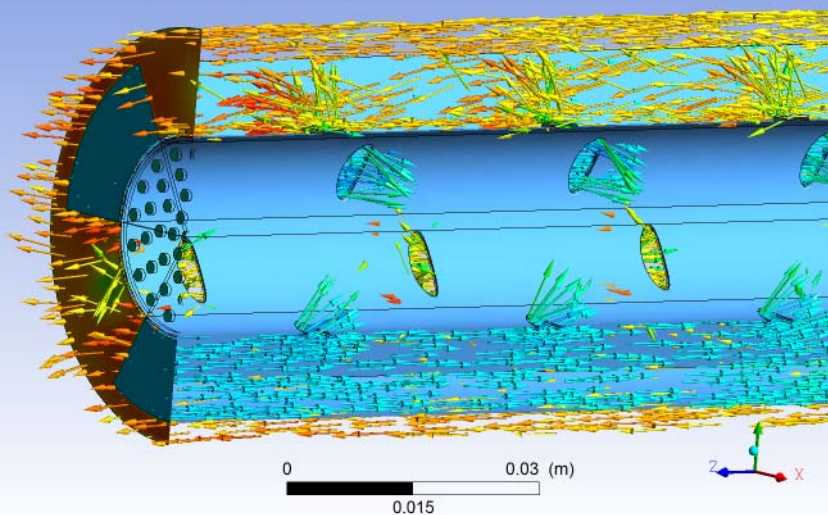
Stress limit reached for solid peripherally cooled target



Increased surface area. Coolant reaching maximum energy deposition region



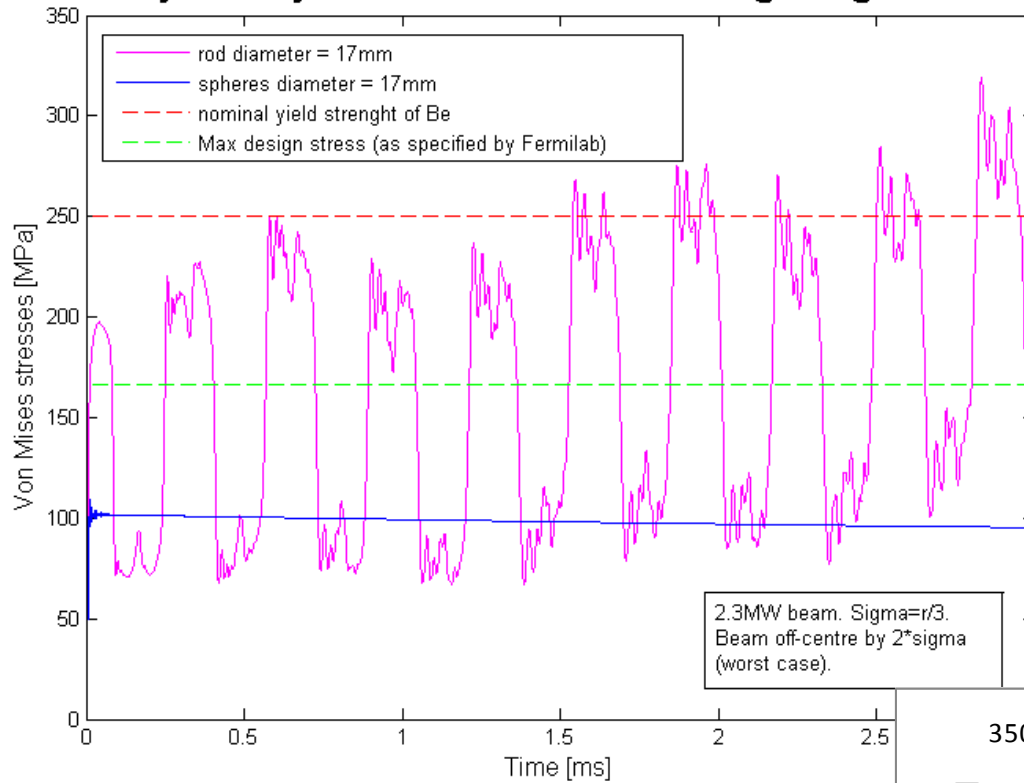
Packed bed target concept for 4 MW Neutrino Superbeam study (EURONu)



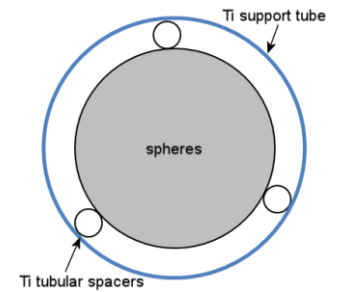
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# Segmented target: LBNE

## Analysis of dynamic stresses: effect of target segmentation

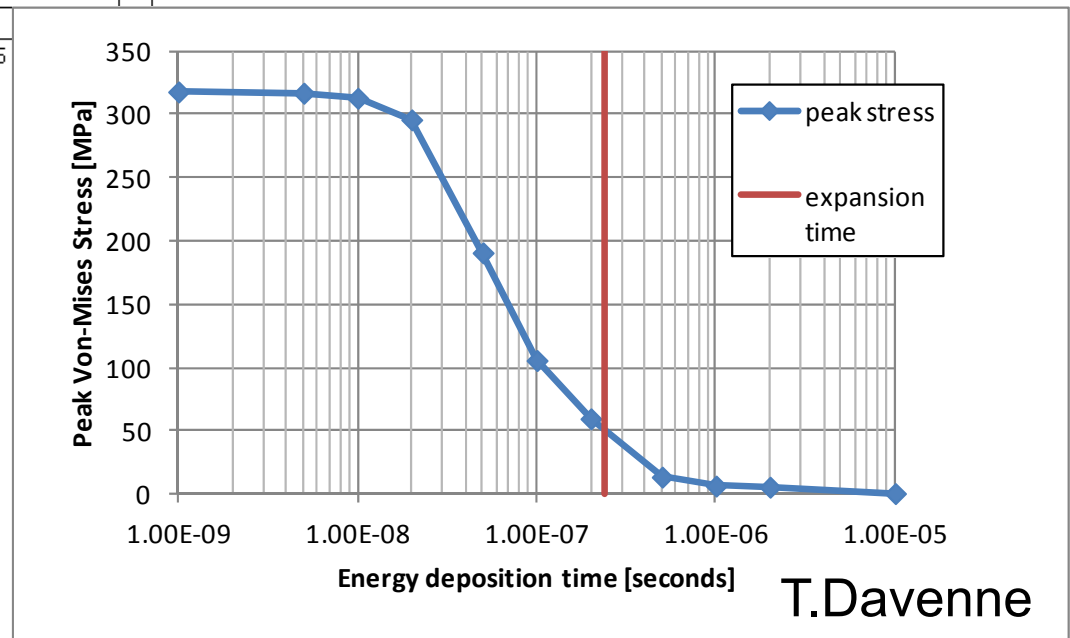


Dynamic stresses in beryllium cylinder compared to beryllium spheres as a result of LBNE 2.3MW beam



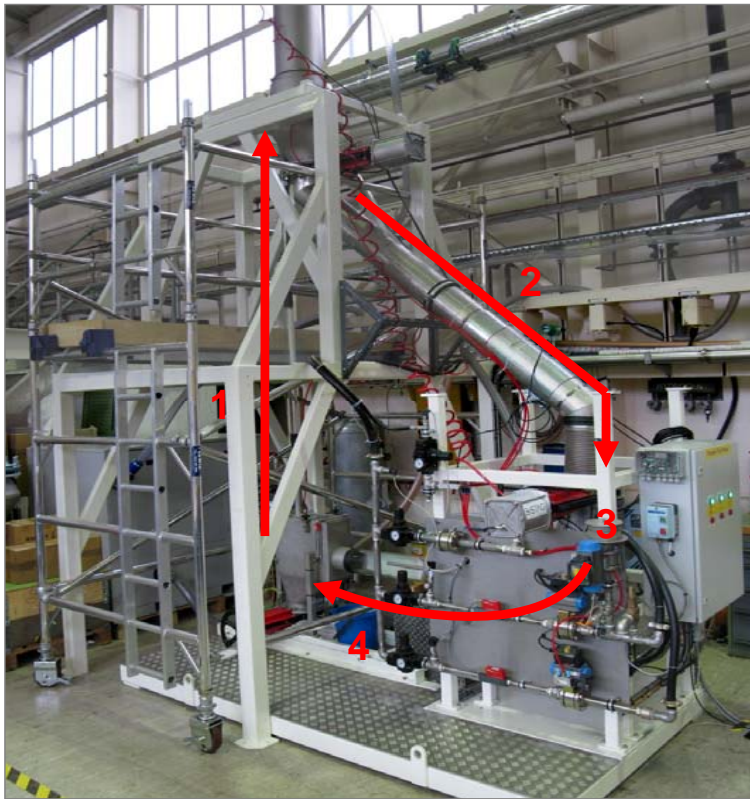
Relationship between peak dynamic stress and energy deposition time for a sphere

Expansion time  $\propto$  target size

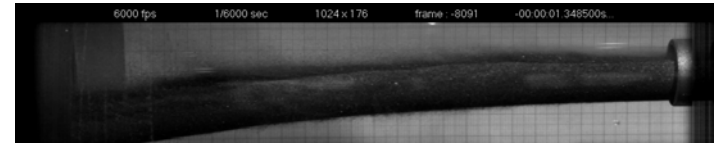


# Fragmented high Z flowing target: W powder rig

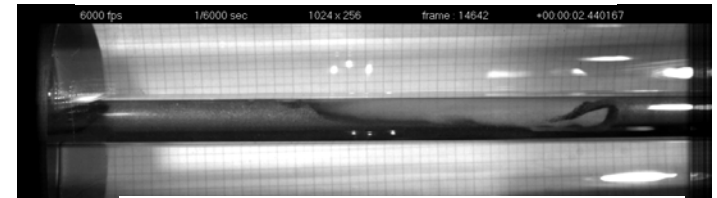
- Offline testing
  - Pneumatic conveying (dense-phase and lean-phase)
  - Containment / erosion
  - Heat transfer and cooling of powder



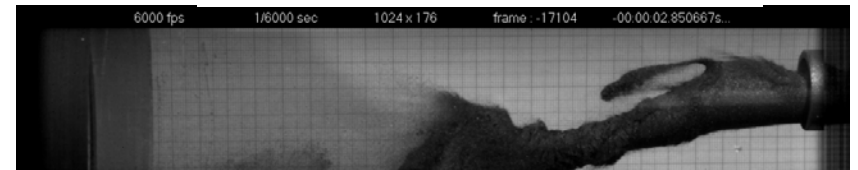
## Dense-phase delivery



*High speed image: tungsten powder jet*



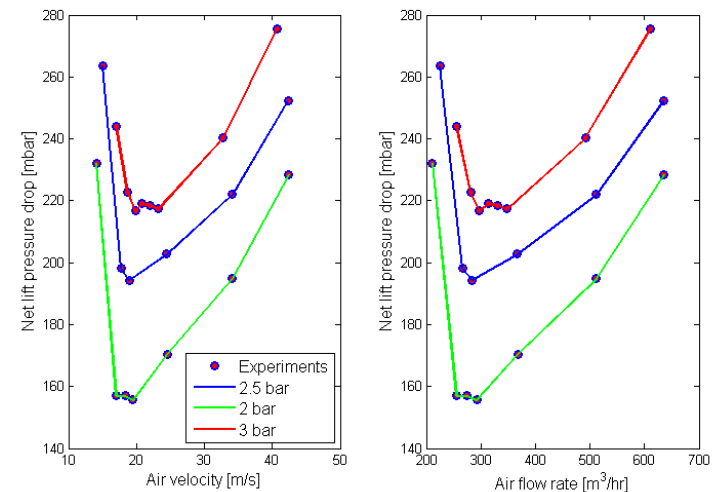
*High speed image: tungsten powder flow in a pipe*



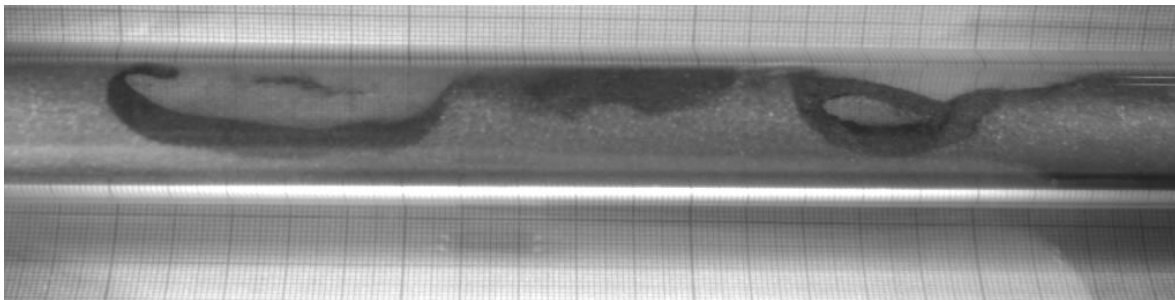
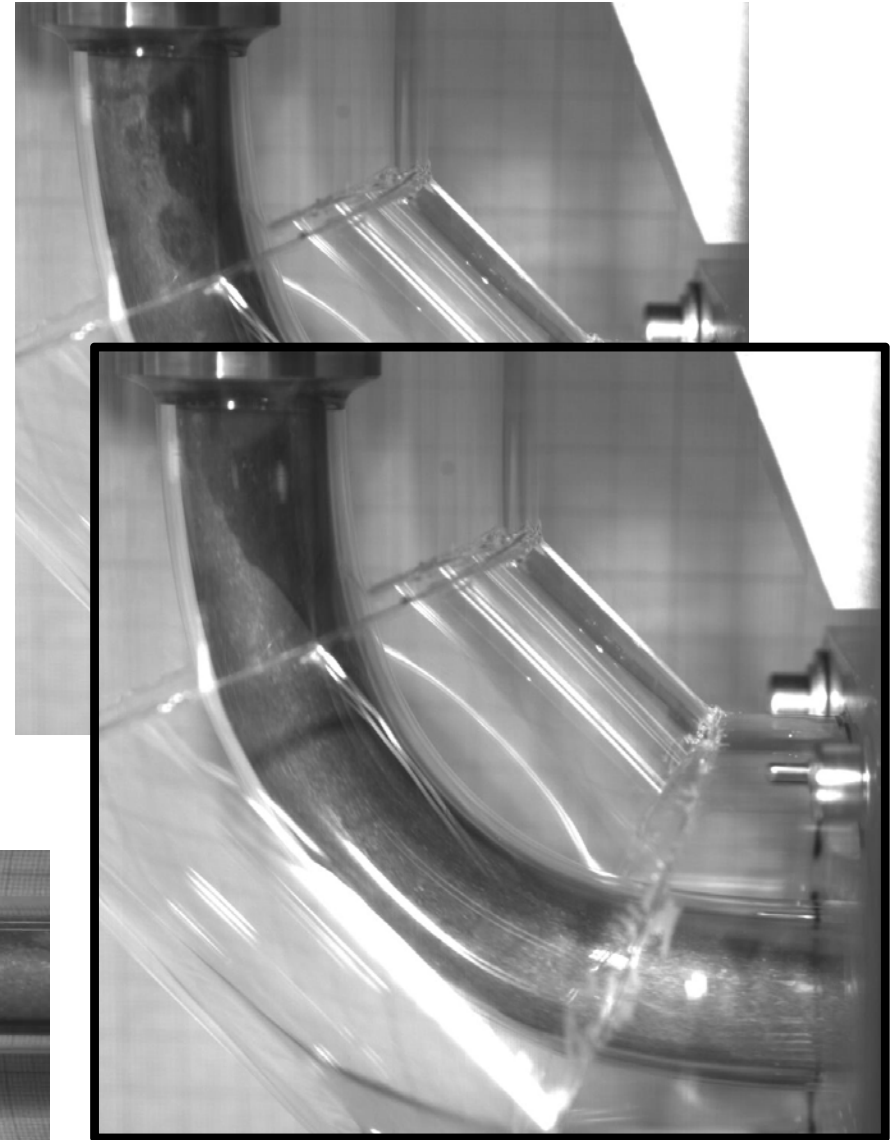
*Unstable tungsten powder jet*

## Lean-phase lift

**Powder lifting pressure drop**

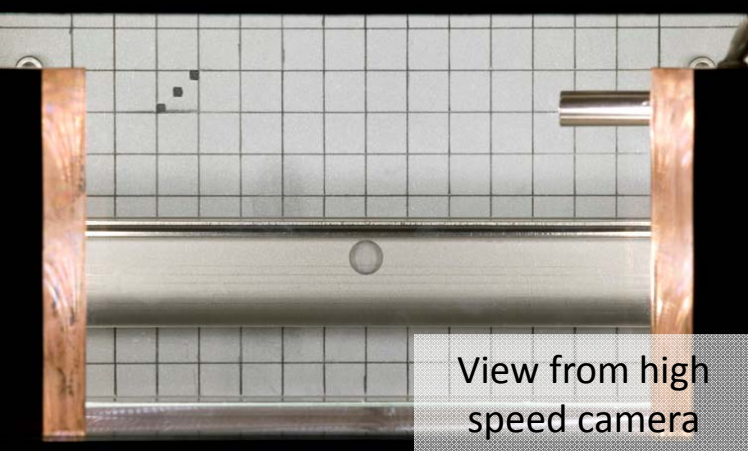


# Improving diagnostics to increase the solid fraction

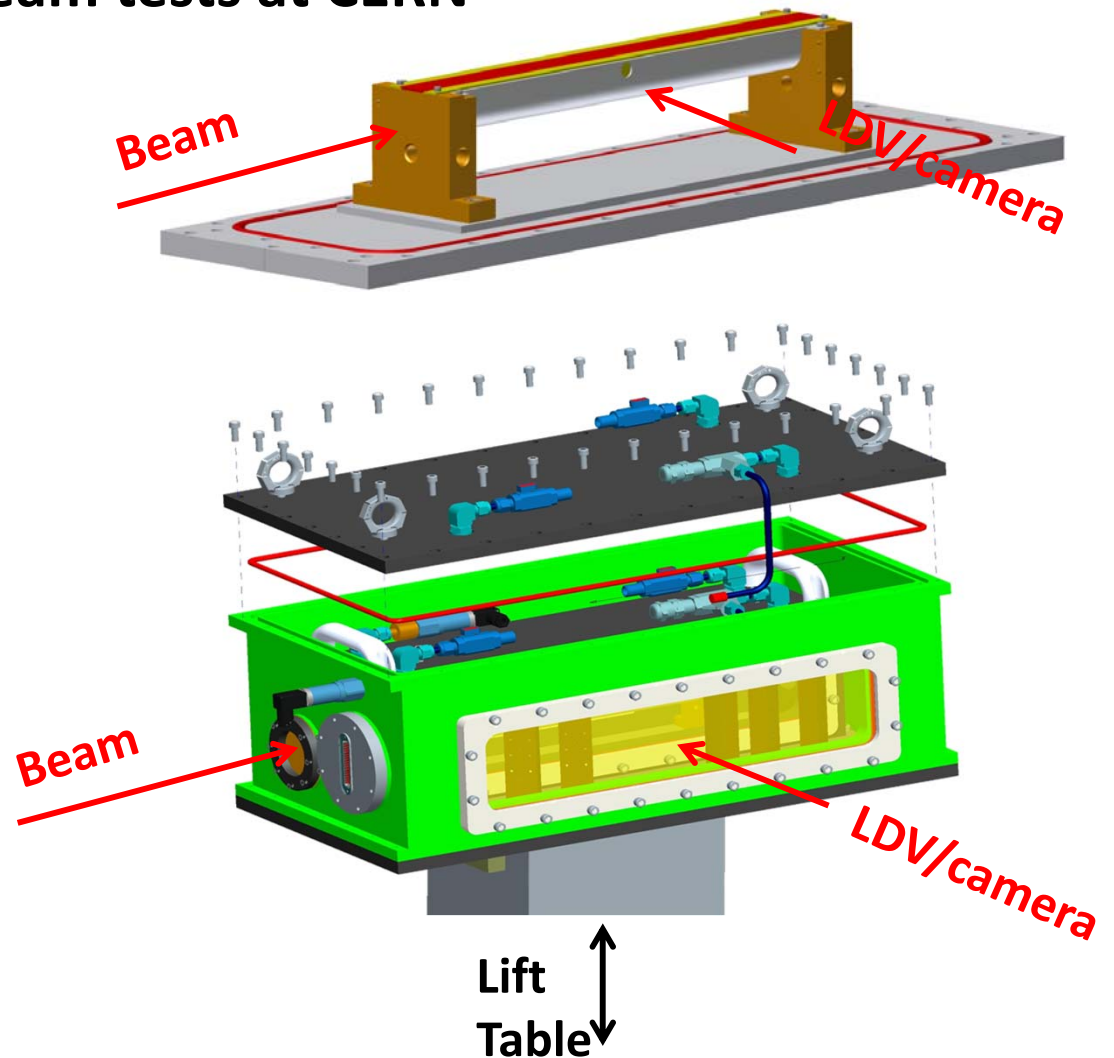


glass parts tube show early stages of phase separation



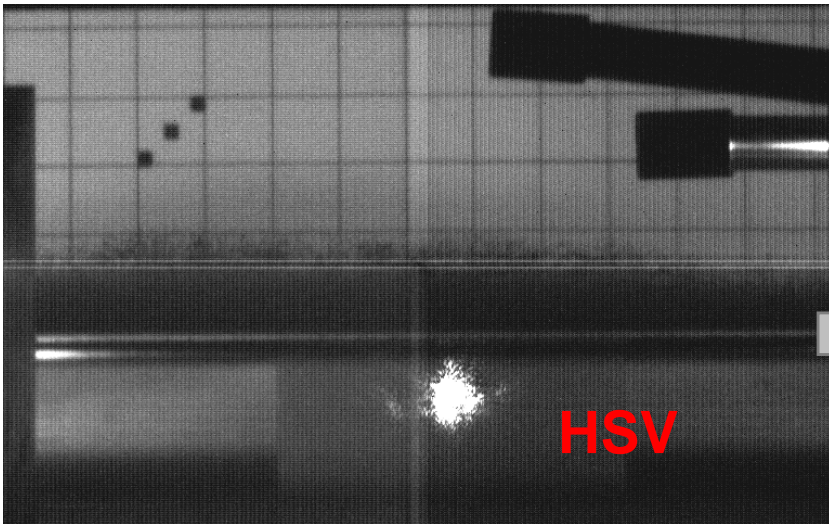


## In beam tests at CERN



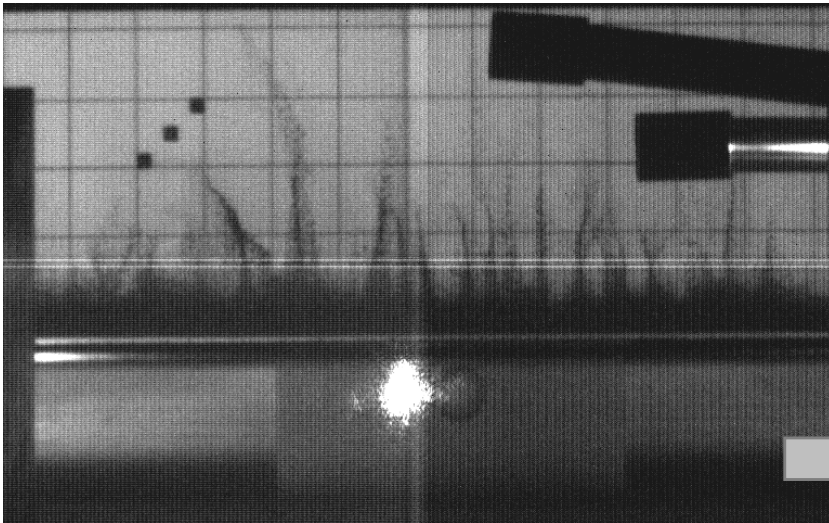
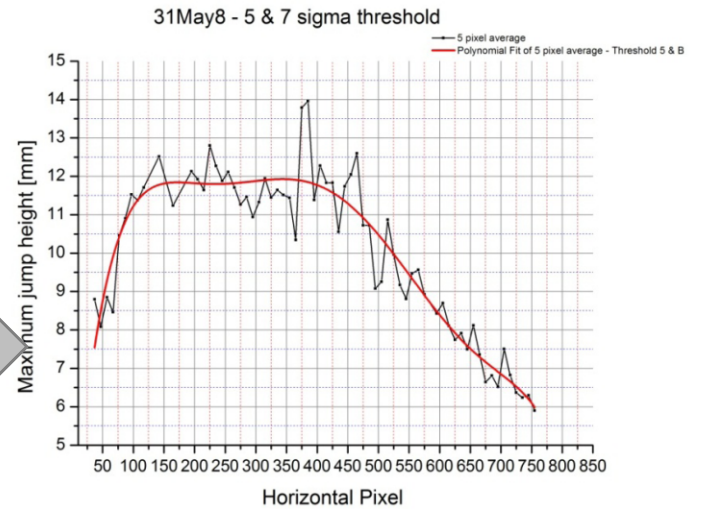
- Tungsten powder sample in an open trough configuration
- Helium environment
- Two layers of containment with optical windows to view the sample
- Remote diagnostics via LDV and high-speed camera

# Charitonidis

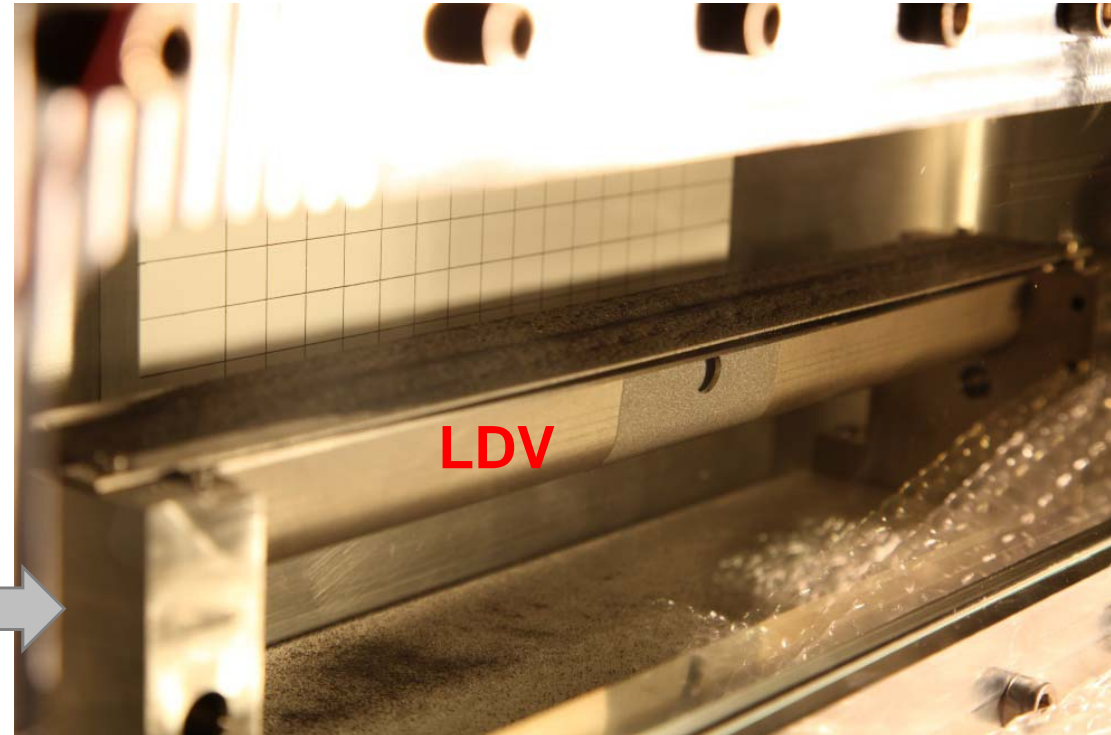


Shot #8,  $1.75 \times 10^{11}$  protons  
Note: nice uniform lift

Lift height  
correlates with  
deposited  
energy



Shot #9,  $1.85 \times 10^{11}$  protons  
Note: filaments!

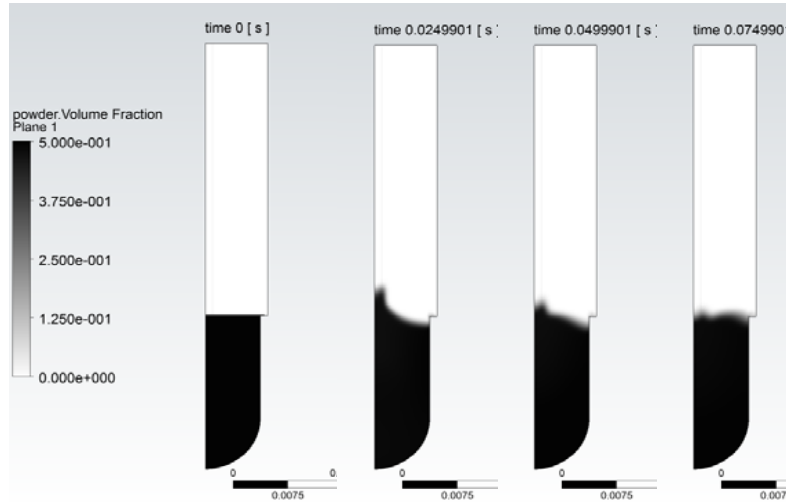
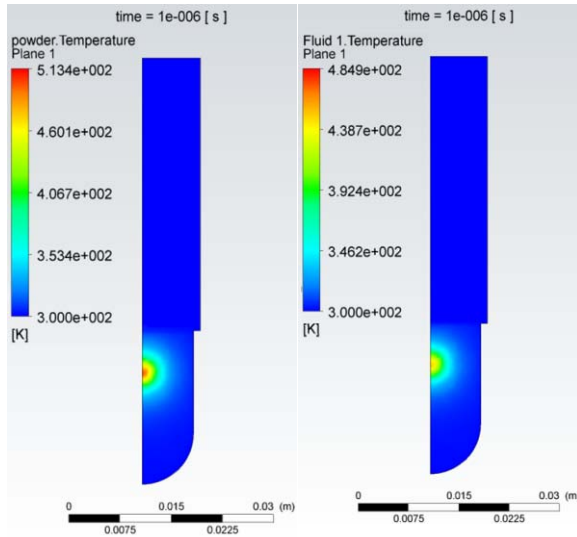


Trough photographed after the experiment.  
Note: powder disruption



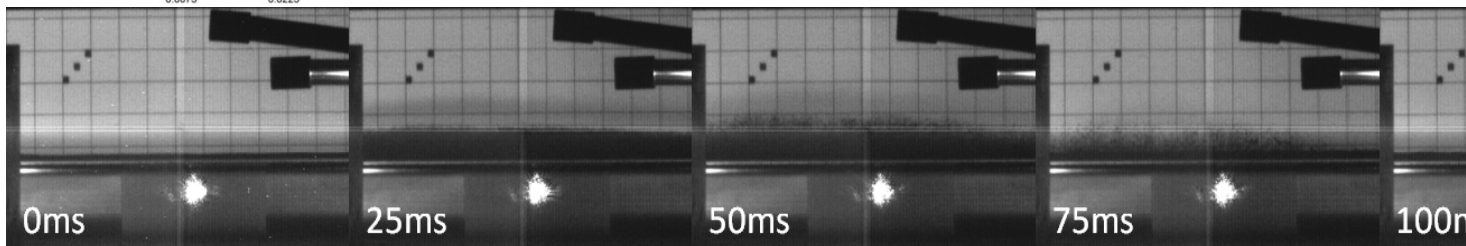
# Davenne: CFD predictions/post fits

## Beam heating



Powder lift was predicted by CFD

However the energy to lift the powder was found in the experiment to be an order of magnitude smaller than predicted



**So is the lift:**

- aerodynamic?
- stress propagation?
- electrostatic?

Test Results from Shot #8,  $1.75e11$  protons, beam sigma  $0.75 \text{ mm} \times 1.1 \text{ mm}$



CFD simulation of Shot #8, assuming 1 micron particle size  
(n.b. no lift with 25 micron particles at this intensity)





# Tungsten powder puff experiment: understanding the powder lift

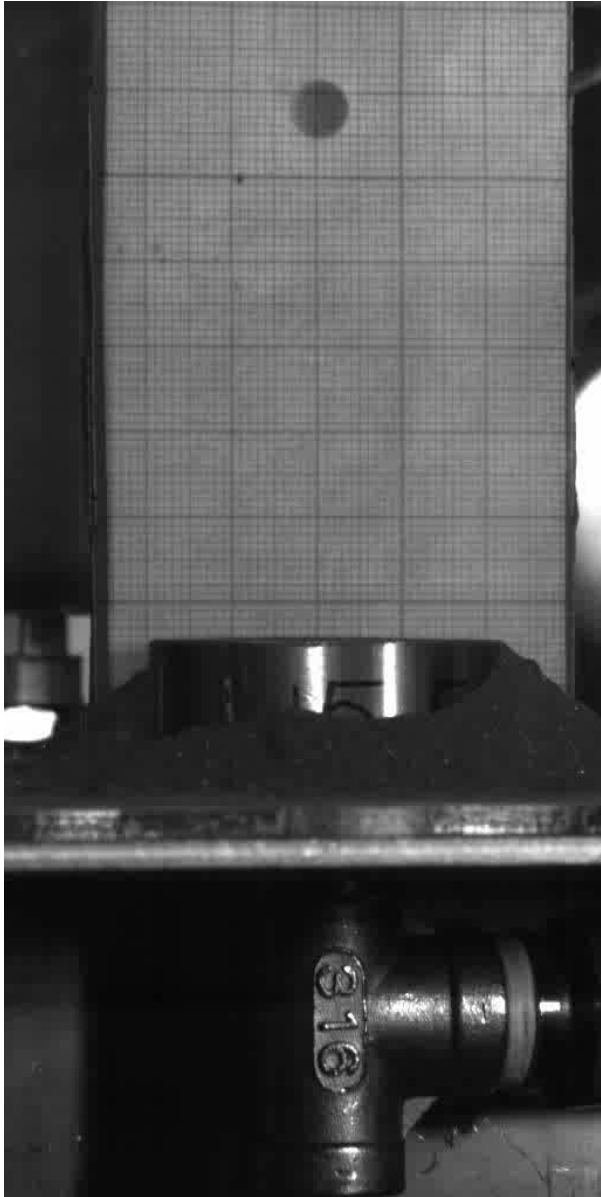
piston



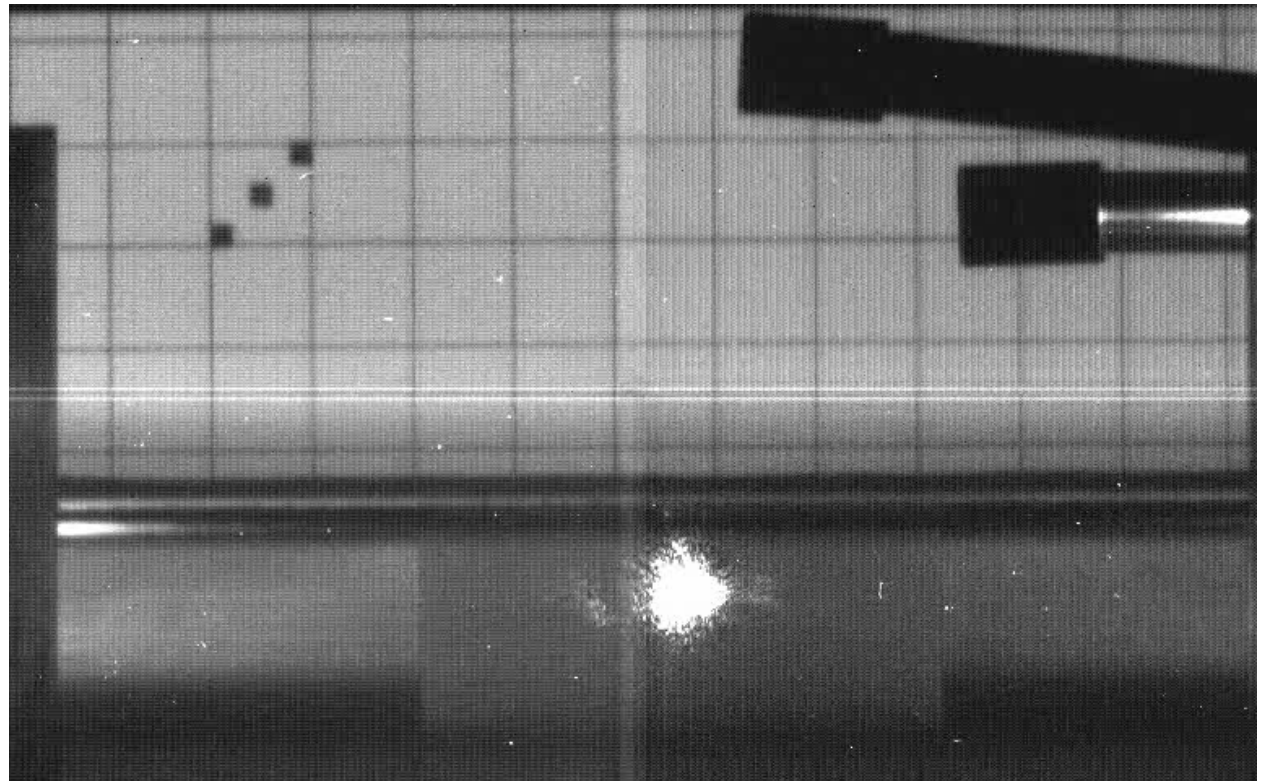
Puff cell



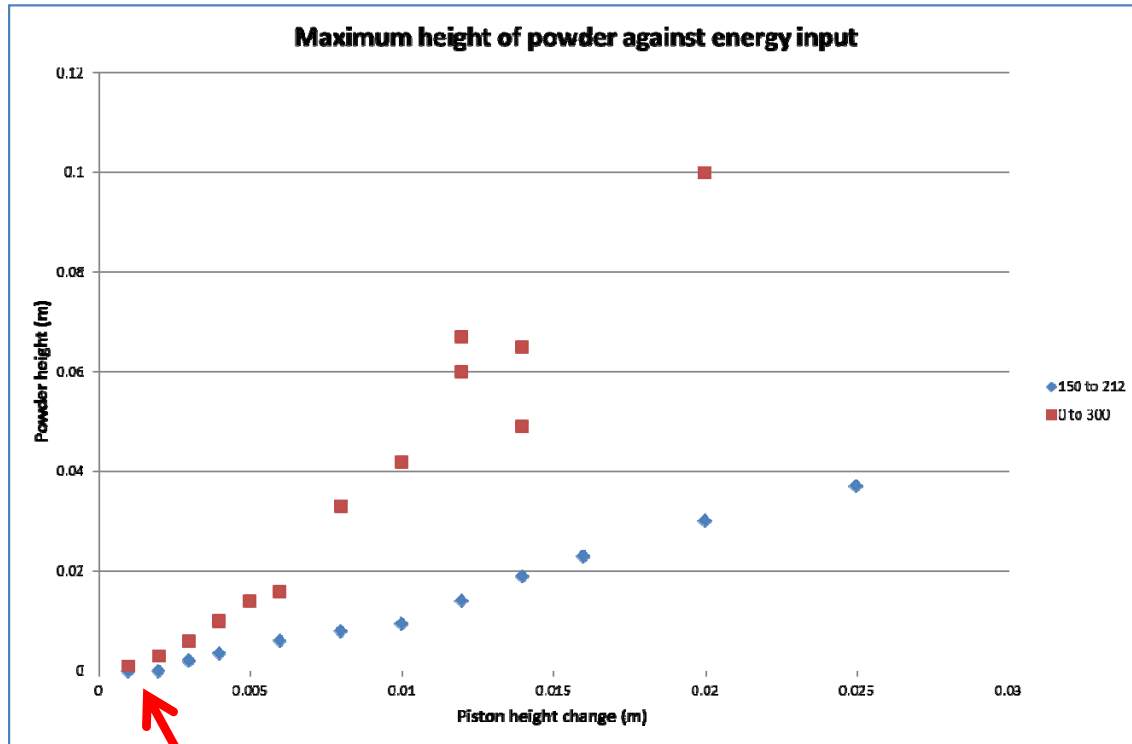
# Tungsten powder puff experiment



- Aim: To compare behaviour of Tungsten powder after a short pressure spike against the behaviour in the HiRadMat experiment
- Method: Use a short pressure pulse to lift the powder



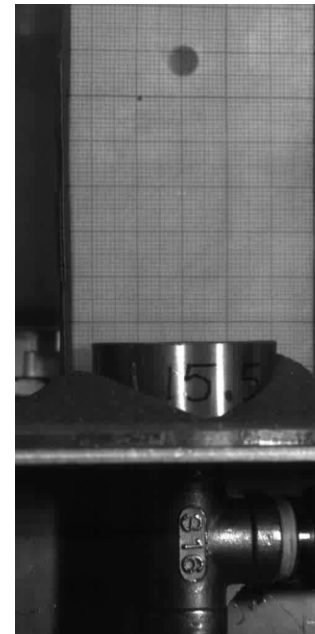
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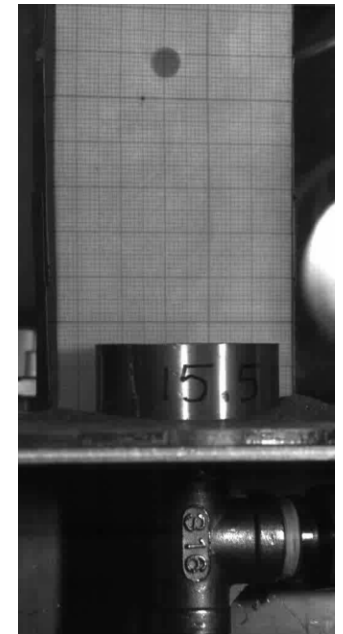
There is a threshold energy which has to be reached before the powder begins to lift. The threshold depends on the depth of the powder

- The maximum height reached by the powder is proportional to the energy put in by the compression of the piston
- The powder sample containing smaller particles was lifted higher than the sample containing only larger particles
- The acceleration is faster than can be captured with 1kHz HSV

0 to 300 um



150 to 212 um



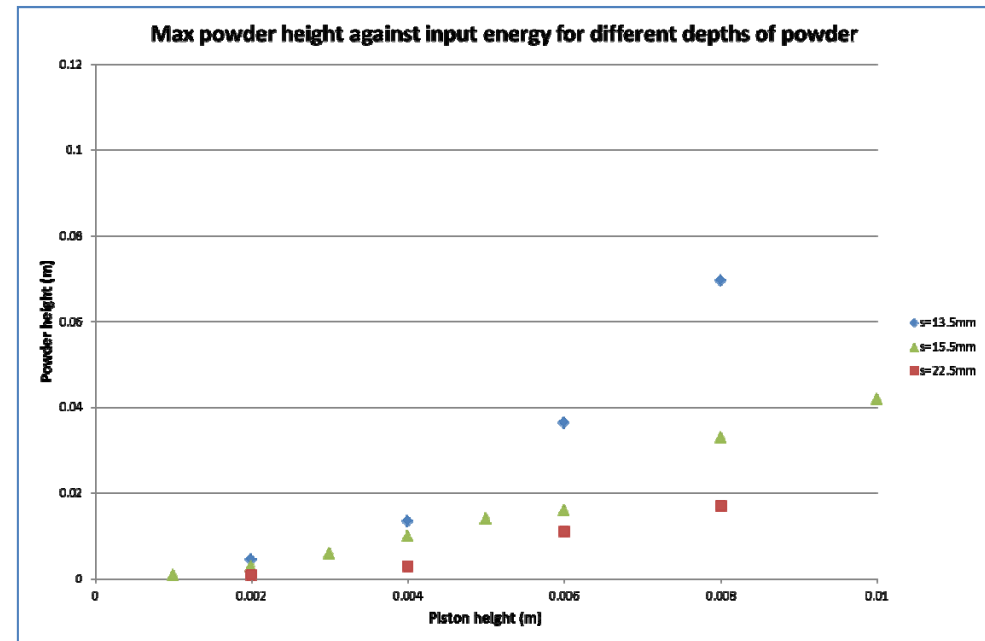
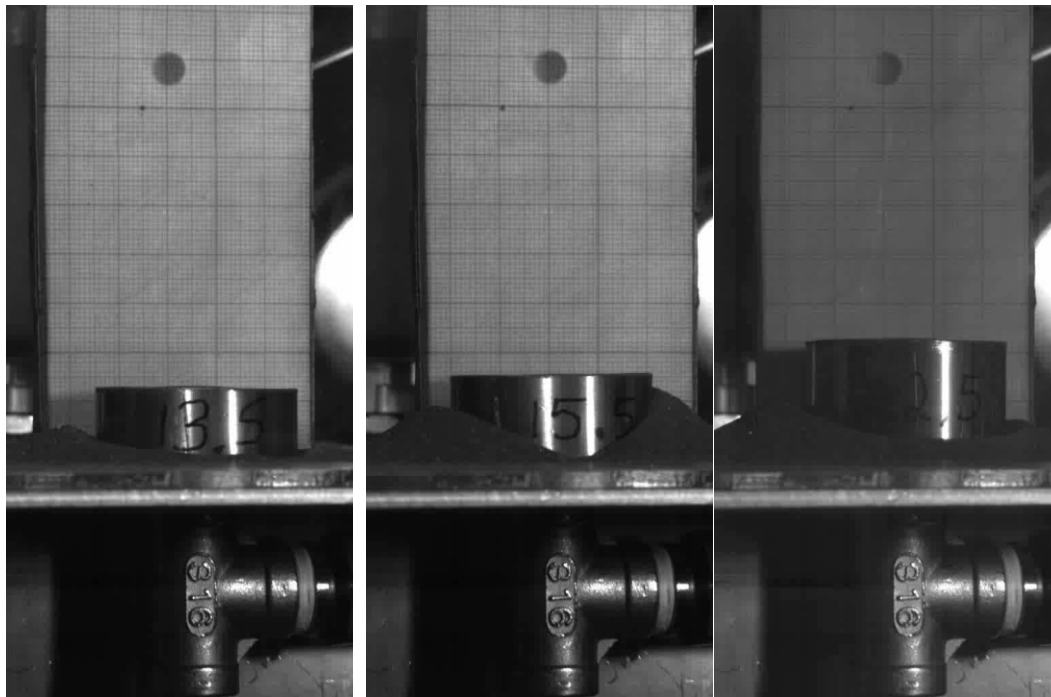
# Tungsten powder puff experiment

Powder depth  
= 13.5mm

Powder depth  
= 15.5mm

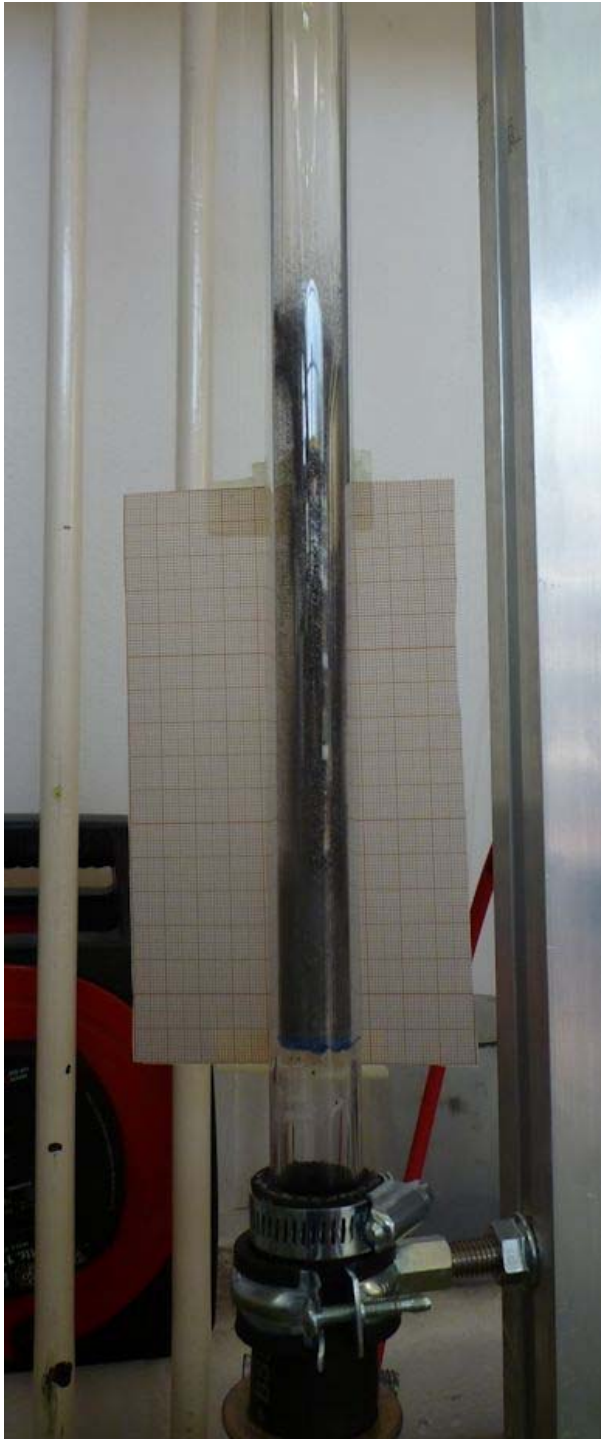
Powder depth  
= 22.5mm

- The smaller the depth of powder, the larger the maximum powder height reached



# Understanding powder lift

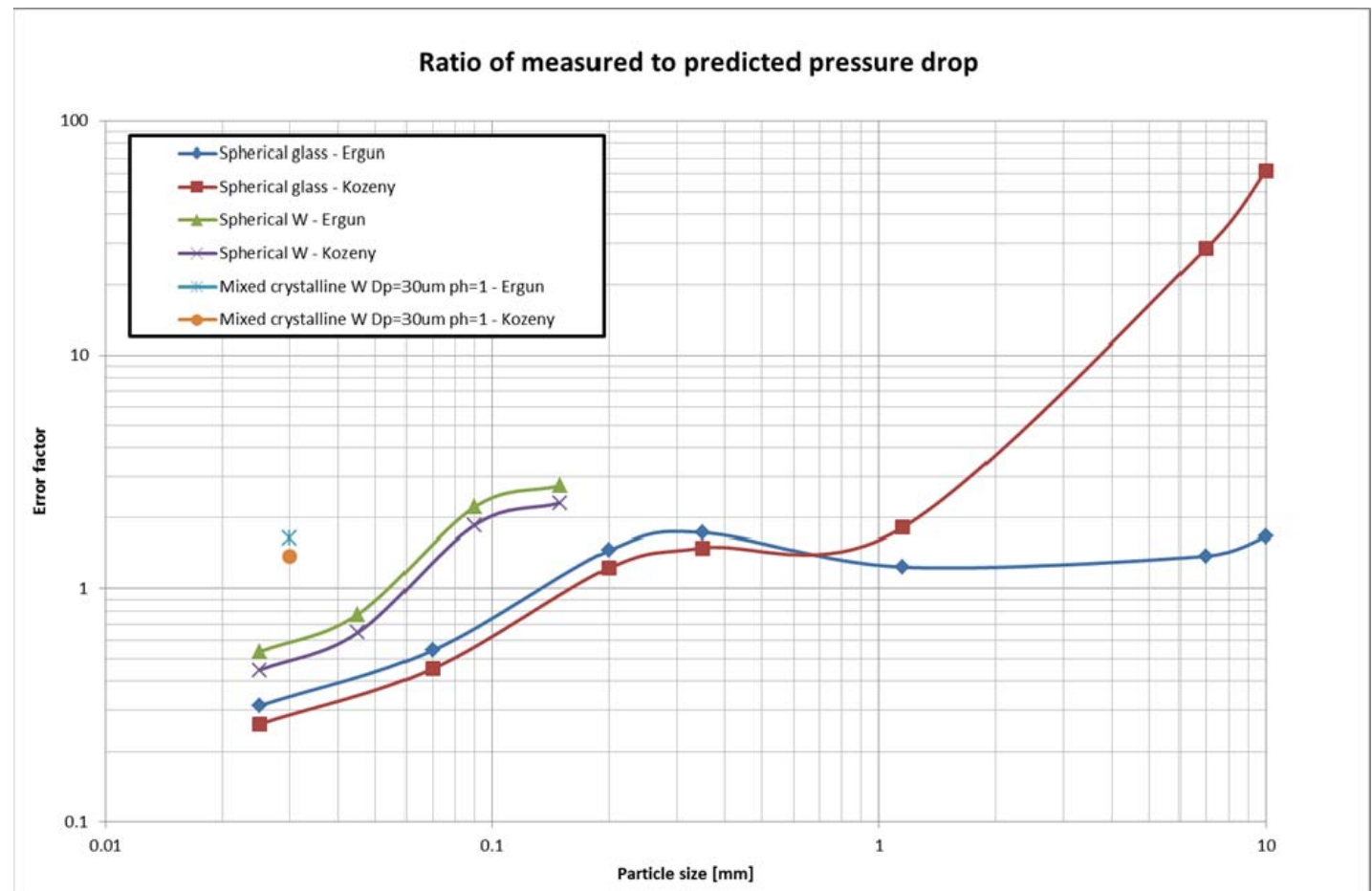
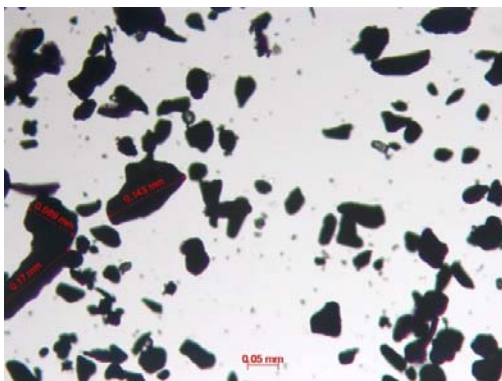
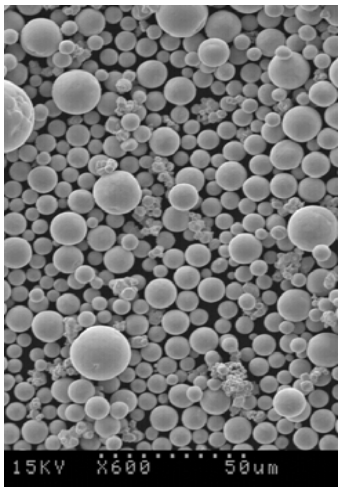
Pressure drop for air flowing through a bed of powder



# Packed bed experiment

Experimental pressure drop measured across a packed bed of W powder is in line with the analytical pressure drop given by Ergun (employed by CFX)

$$\frac{\Delta P}{h} = \rho \varepsilon U^2 \left[ \frac{150(1 - \varepsilon)}{Re_d \psi} + \frac{7}{4} \right] \frac{1 - \varepsilon}{\psi d_p \varepsilon^3}$$



# Tungsten Powder programme live areas of work

- **Rig improvement**
  - Increasing the solid fraction
  - CW upgrade
  - Calorimetry
- **In beam tests HiRadMat**
  - Understanding factor/factors for beam powder lift
    - aerodynamic
    - stress propagation
    - Electrostatic
    - a combination of all the above



# Conclusions

Peripherally cooled cylindrical **monolith targets** have limited heat dissipation capability and experience high steady state and dynamic stresses.

**Segmented** internally cooled stationary targets can accommodate much higher heat loads and higher power densities.

A **pebble bed target** such as that proposed for EURONu is probably the ultimate segmented target and may be relevant for other facilities where a solid cylindrical target is not viable. R & D in pebble bed and other segmented targets would be beneficial for future neutrino facilities and neutron sources alike.

At higher beam powers it may become necessary to employ **flowing** (powder and liquid metals) or rotating targets and that is why research in this area is required.

**Physics performance is a function of reliability** as well as optimum particle yield so the simplest target design possible is often the best choice.

