

# Advanced Accelerator R&D:

## FACET and BELLA

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Mark Hogan for FACET material

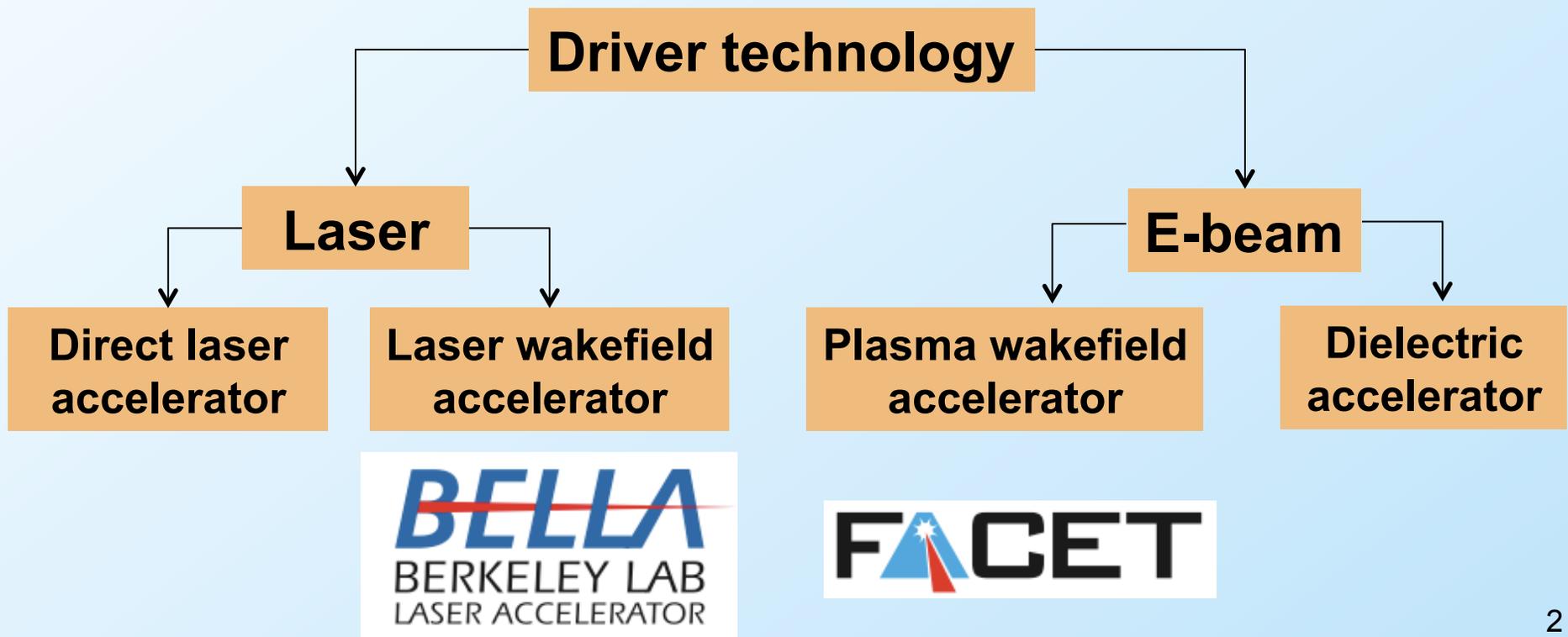


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# Motivation and overview

- Collider size set by maximum particle energy and maximum achievable gradient limited by breakdown
- Motivates R&D for ultra-high gradient technology



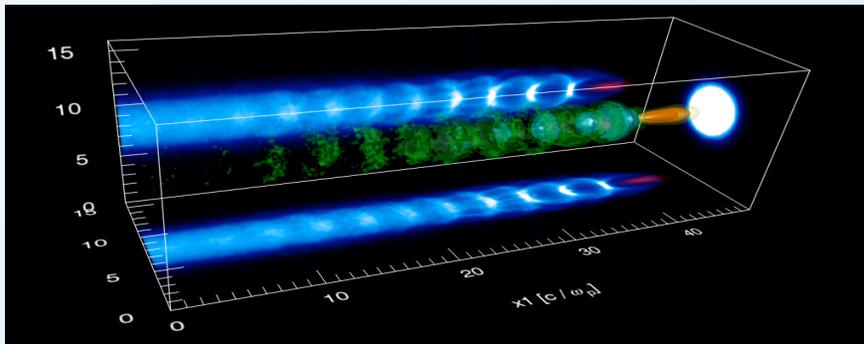
# Ultra-high gradients could result in smaller accelerators

m-scale



**10 – 40 MV/m**

100 micron-scale



**10 – 100 GV/m**

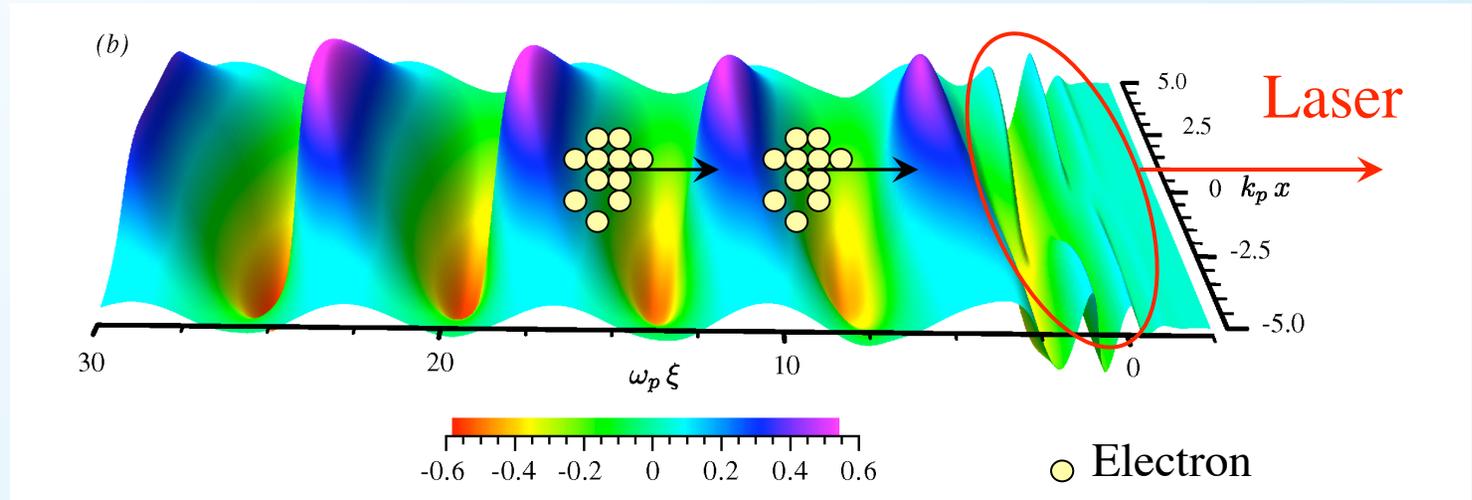
**Plasmas sustain extreme fields => compact accelerators**

# Summer – somewhere on California Coast



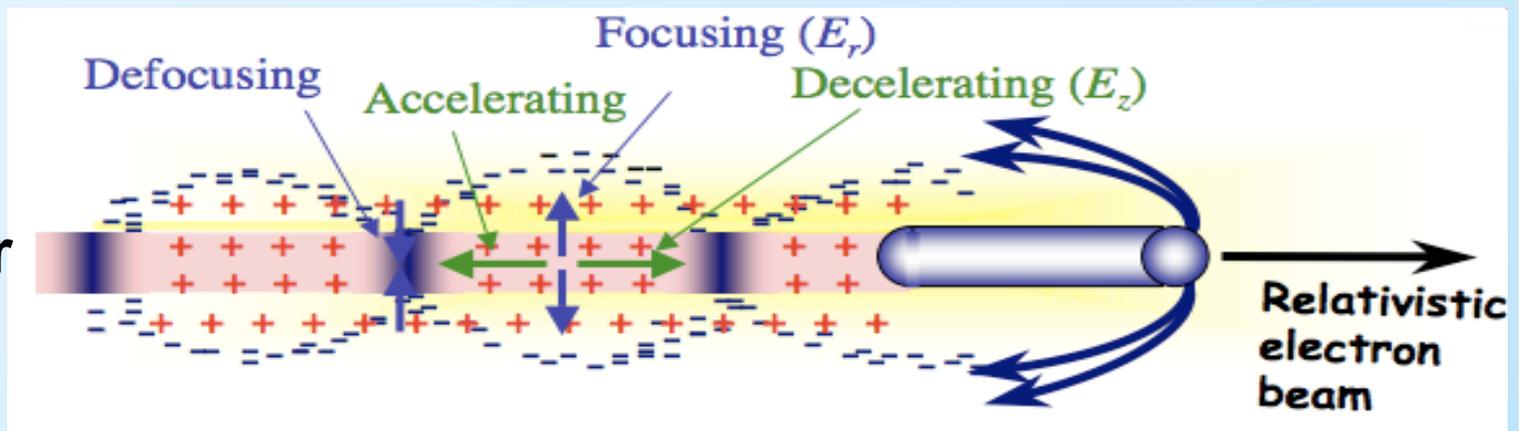
# Principle of laser/plasma wakefield accelerators

## Linear



- Laser driver--Tajima&Dawson, PRL'79
- E-fields: 10 – 100 GV/m
- Beam driver--P. Chen et al., PRL'85
- Phase velocity wake=Group velocity driver

## Non-Linear





# Operation in bubble or blow-out non-linear regime: most experiments to date

Distance = 0 mm = 0  $Z_R$

Energy<sub>front</sub> = 0 MeV



- High gradients
- Can produce narrow energy spread beams

**BUT**

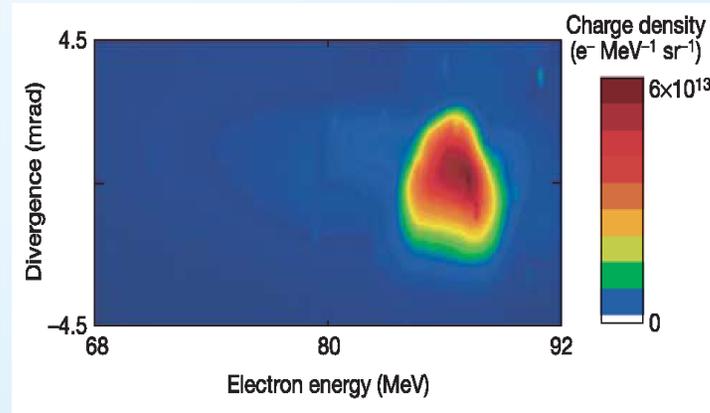
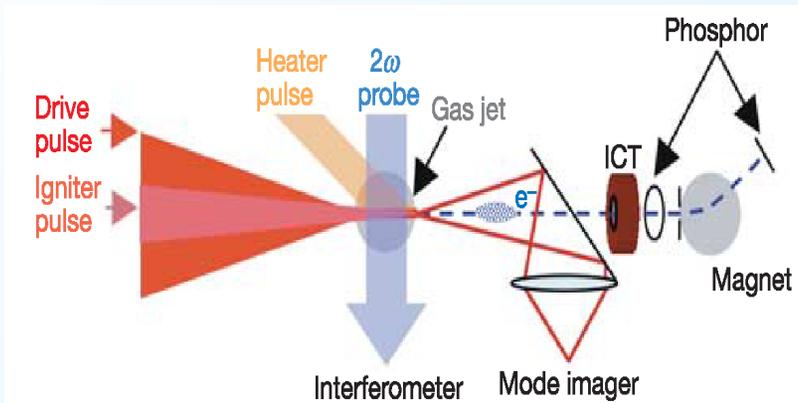
- Limited control
- Self-trapping (dark current)
- Can easily go unstable
- Does not work well for positrons

Courtesy of W. Mori, UCLA



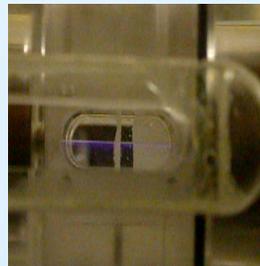
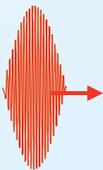
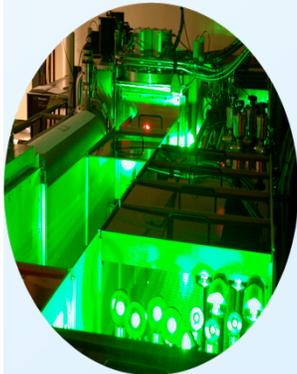
# Channel guided laser plasma accelerators achieve high quality, up to GeV beams

## 2004 result

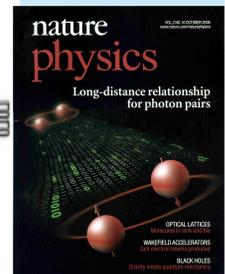
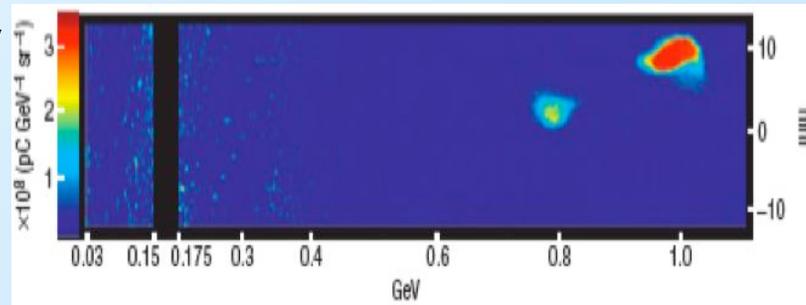


C. G. R. Geddes, et al, *Nature*, **431**, p538 (2004)  
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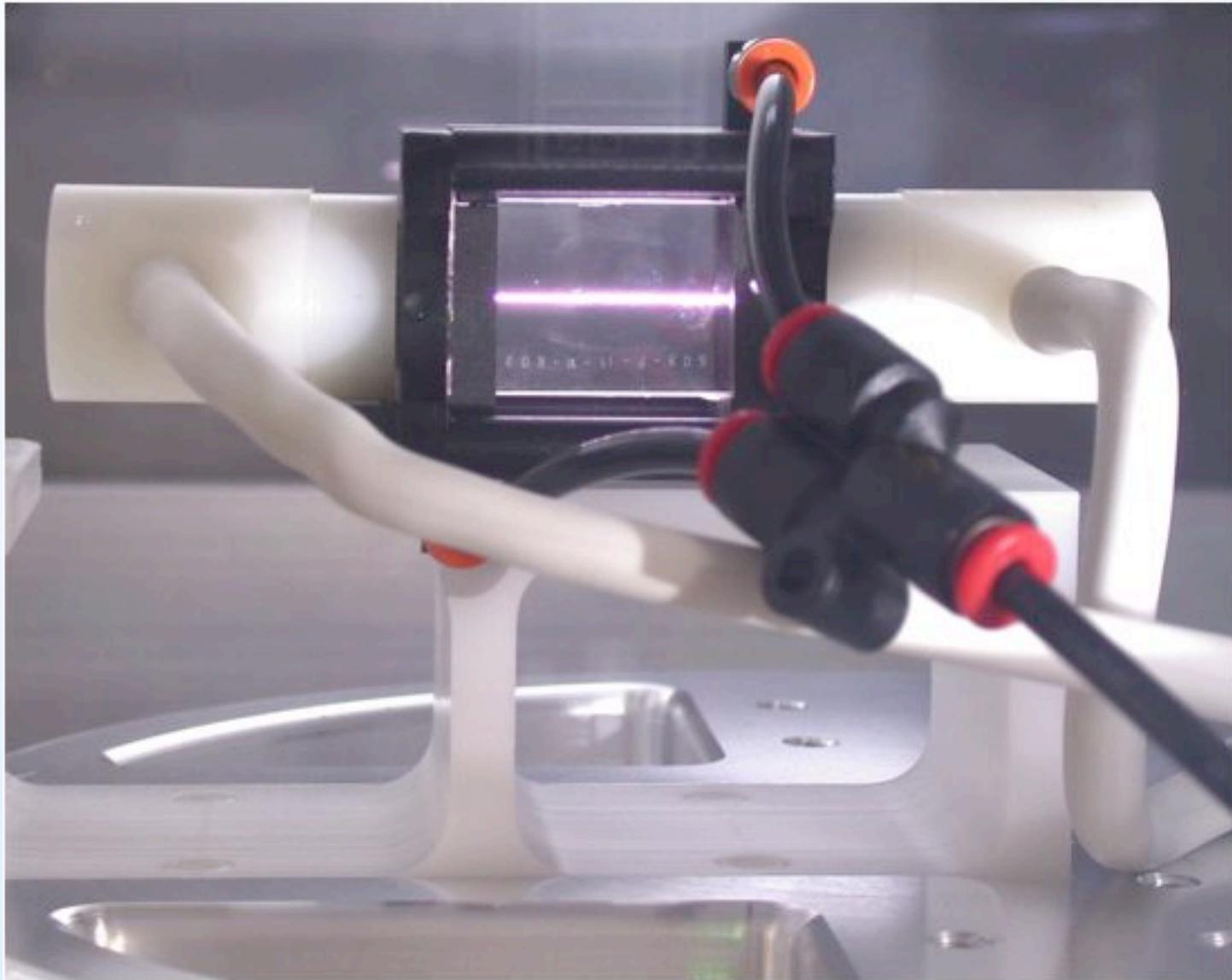


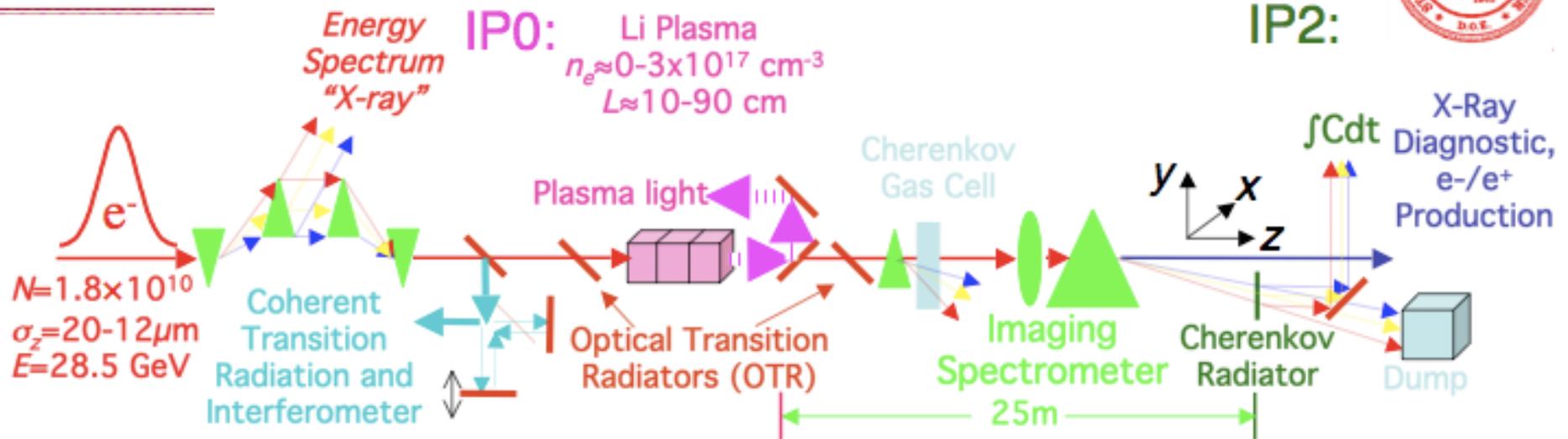
1 GeV  
 e⁻



W.P. Leemans et. al, *Nature Physics* **2**, p696 (2006)

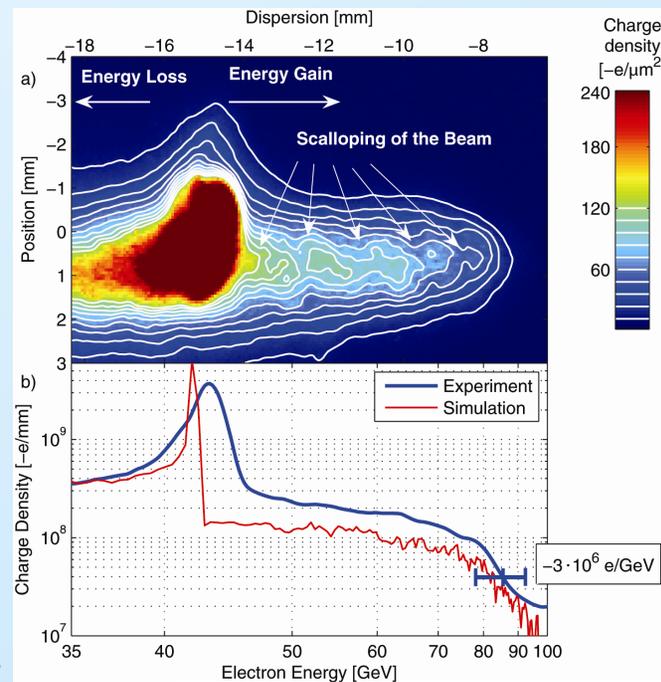
## A GeV module...





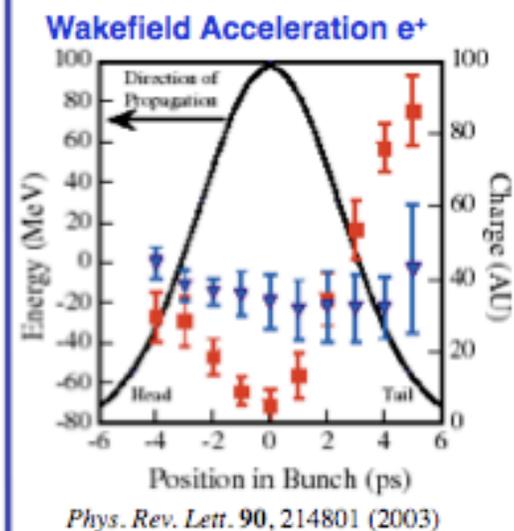
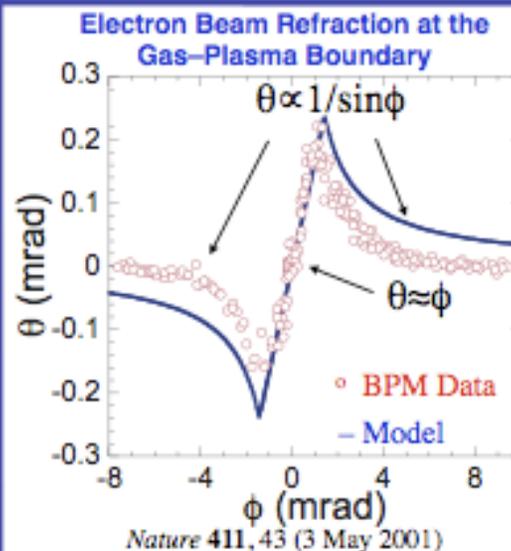
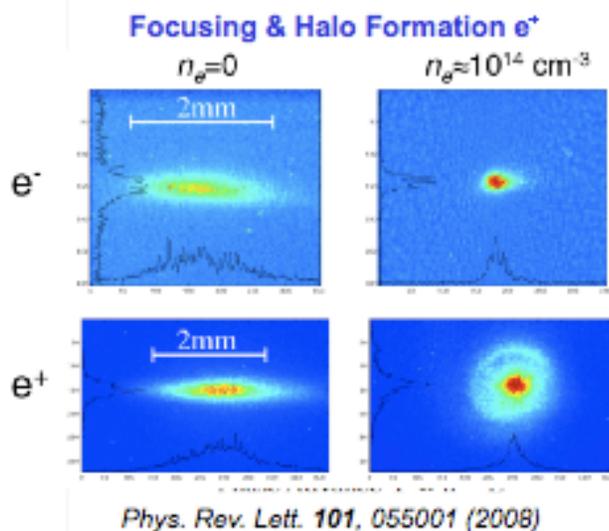
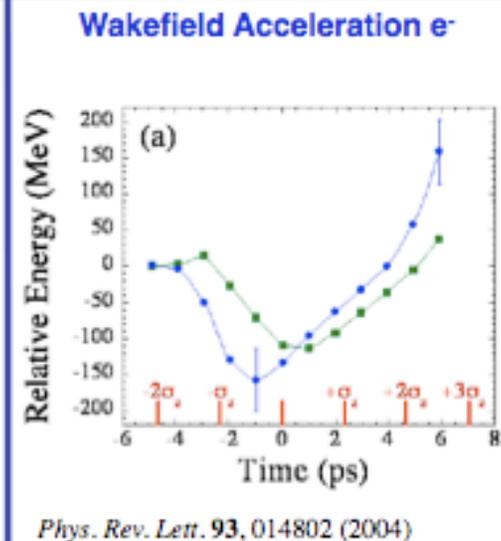
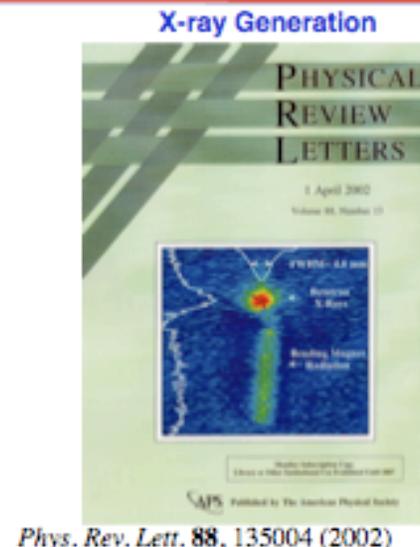
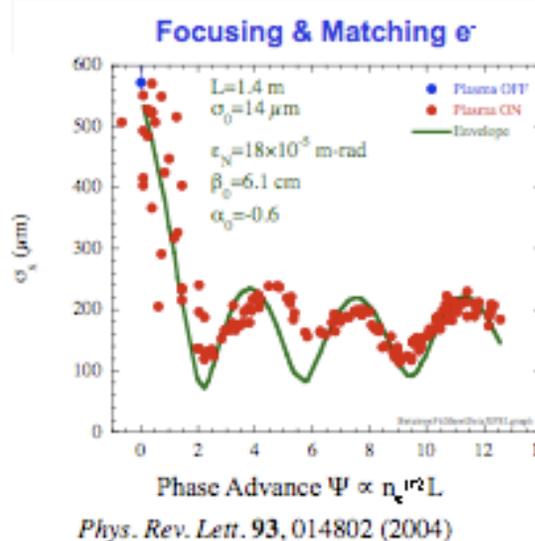
- Used 42 GeV FFTB beam
- Li plasma
- Most electrons decelerated
- Few % accelerated
- Highest energy observed ~ 85 GeV

*Blumenfeld et al., Nature 2007*

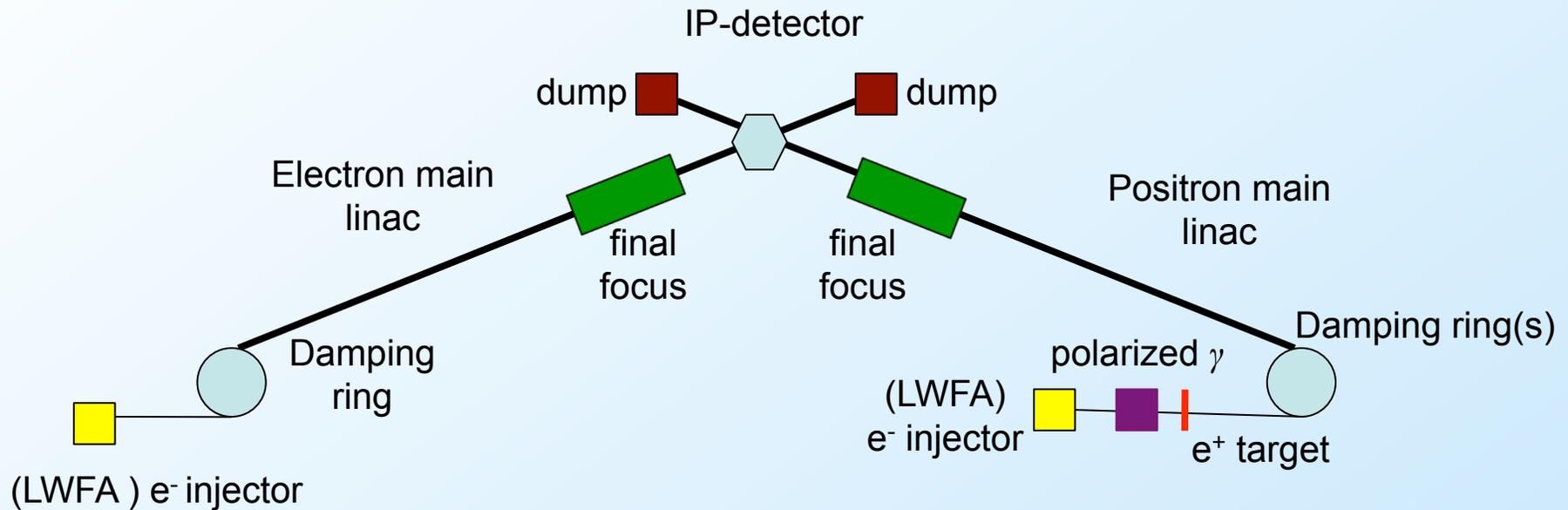


# SLAC/UCLA/USC Experiments @ FFTB

## Studied all aspects of beam-plasma interaction



# Electron-Positron Linear Collider



- G. Dugan, "Advanced Accelerator System Requirements for Future Linear Colliders," in *Proceedings of AAC 2004*, p.29

## *Conventional technology:*

- Current generation of future linear collider designs based on existing technology (e.g., ILC):  $E_{cm} \sim 0.5$  TeV; gradient  $\sim 0.03$  GV/m;  $\sim 30$  km ( $\sim$ multi- $\$B$ ).
- Higher energy collider with existing technology: 5 TeV  $\rightarrow$   $>100$  km,  $>$  tens of  $\$B$

# Primary Issues for any Plasma-based LC

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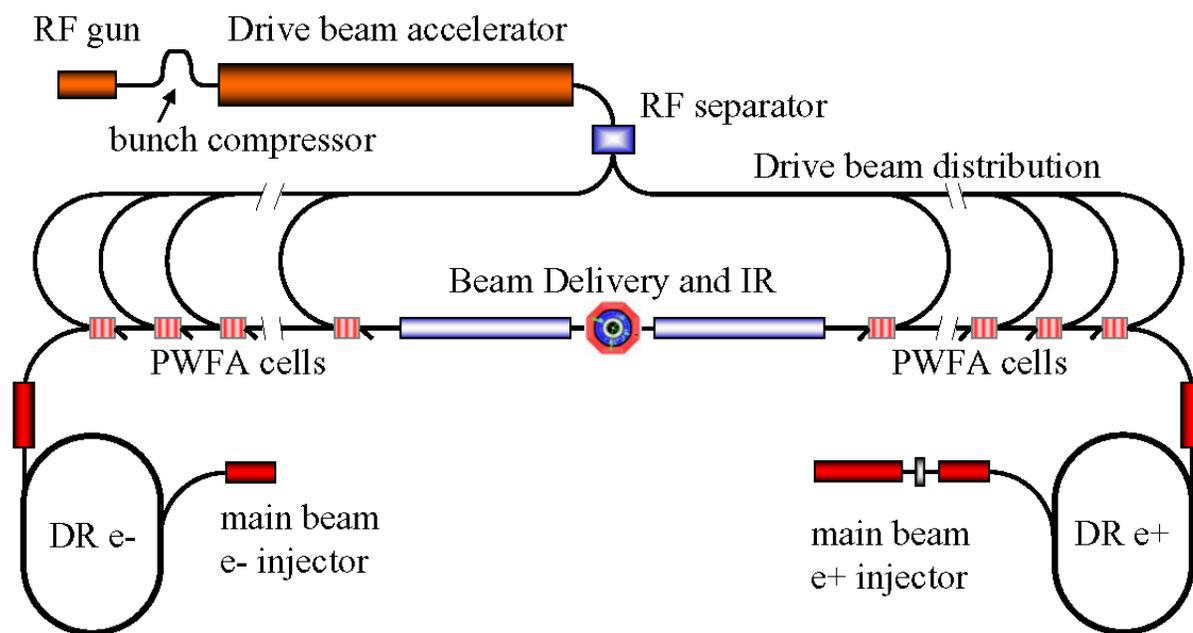
- \* Need to understand acceleration of electrons & positrons
- \* Luminosity drives many issues:
  - High beam power (20 MW)  $\rightarrow$  efficient ac-to-beam conversion
  - Well defined cms energy  $\rightarrow$  small energy spread
  - Small IP spot sizes  $\rightarrow$  small energy spread and small  $\Delta\epsilon$
- \* These translate into requirements on the plasma acceleration
  - High beam loading of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  (for efficiency)
  - Acceleration with small energy spread
  - Preservation of small transverse emittances – maybe flat beams
  - Bunch repetition rates of 10's of kHz
- \* Multiple stages allow better beam control and use of drive-beam
  - possible to demonstrate single stage before full system test

# FACET @ SLAC



# Example: PWFA-Linear Collider Concept

- Developed a concept for a 1 TeV plasma wakefield-based linear collider
  - Use conventional Linear Collider concepts for main beam and drive beam generation and focusing and PWFA for acceleration
    - Makes best use of PWFA R&D and 30 years of conventional rf R&D
  - Concept illustrates focus of PWFA R&D program
    - High efficiency
    - Emittance pres.
    - Positrons
  - PWFA concept could be used to upgrade LCLS or simply other e- acc.

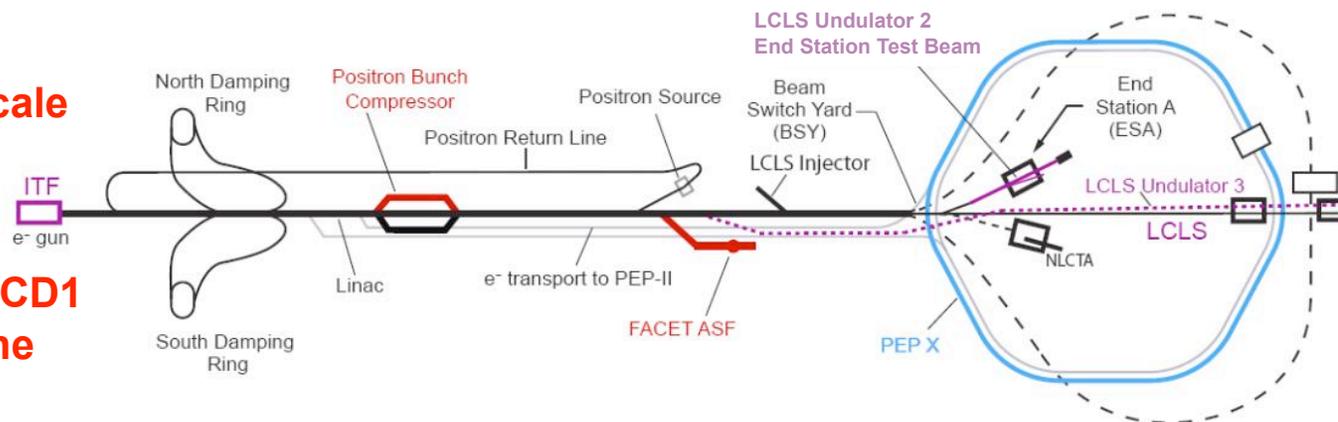


# New SLAC Experimental Facility: FACET

- New FACET facility will provide high quality 25 GeV  $e^+$  &  $e^-$  beams for studies of plasma wakefield acceleration
  - Plasma wakefield acceleration could reduce cost/GeV significantly for linear colliders and could provide an easy upgrade for FEL facilities
  - FACET will also be used to develop beam-driven dielectric acceleration and plasma focusing concepts as well as other beam physics studies
    - Beams of  $e^+$  /  $e^-$  at 25 GeV with 20kA and  $10 \times 10$   $\mu\text{m}$  spot sizes

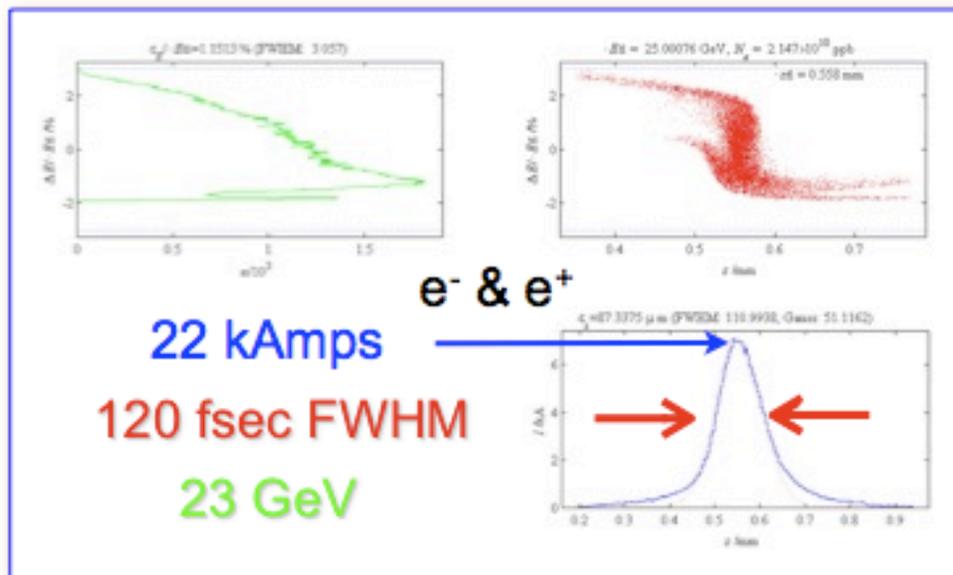
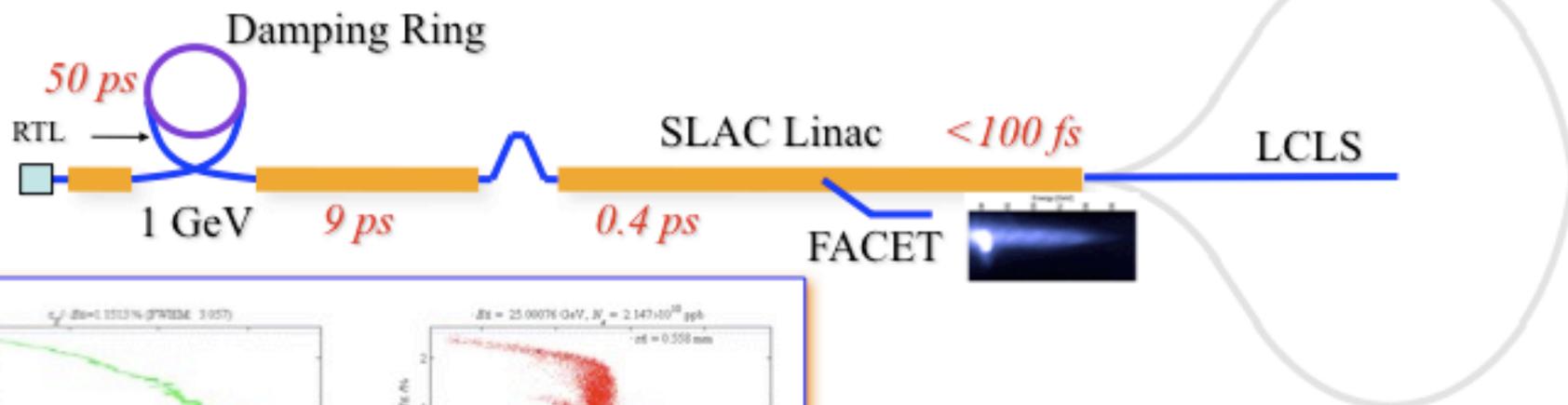
**FACET timescale**  
2010 – 2017

**Scheduling CD1**  
Review in June



- Unique facility is only possible because of SLAC linac

# Short Bunches Bring Large Gradients and Long, Uniform High-Density Plasmas



## Peak Field For A Gaussian Bunch:

$$E = 6GV/m \frac{N}{2 \times 10^{10}} \frac{20 \mu}{\sigma_r} \frac{100 \mu}{\sigma_z}$$

## Ionization Rate for Li:

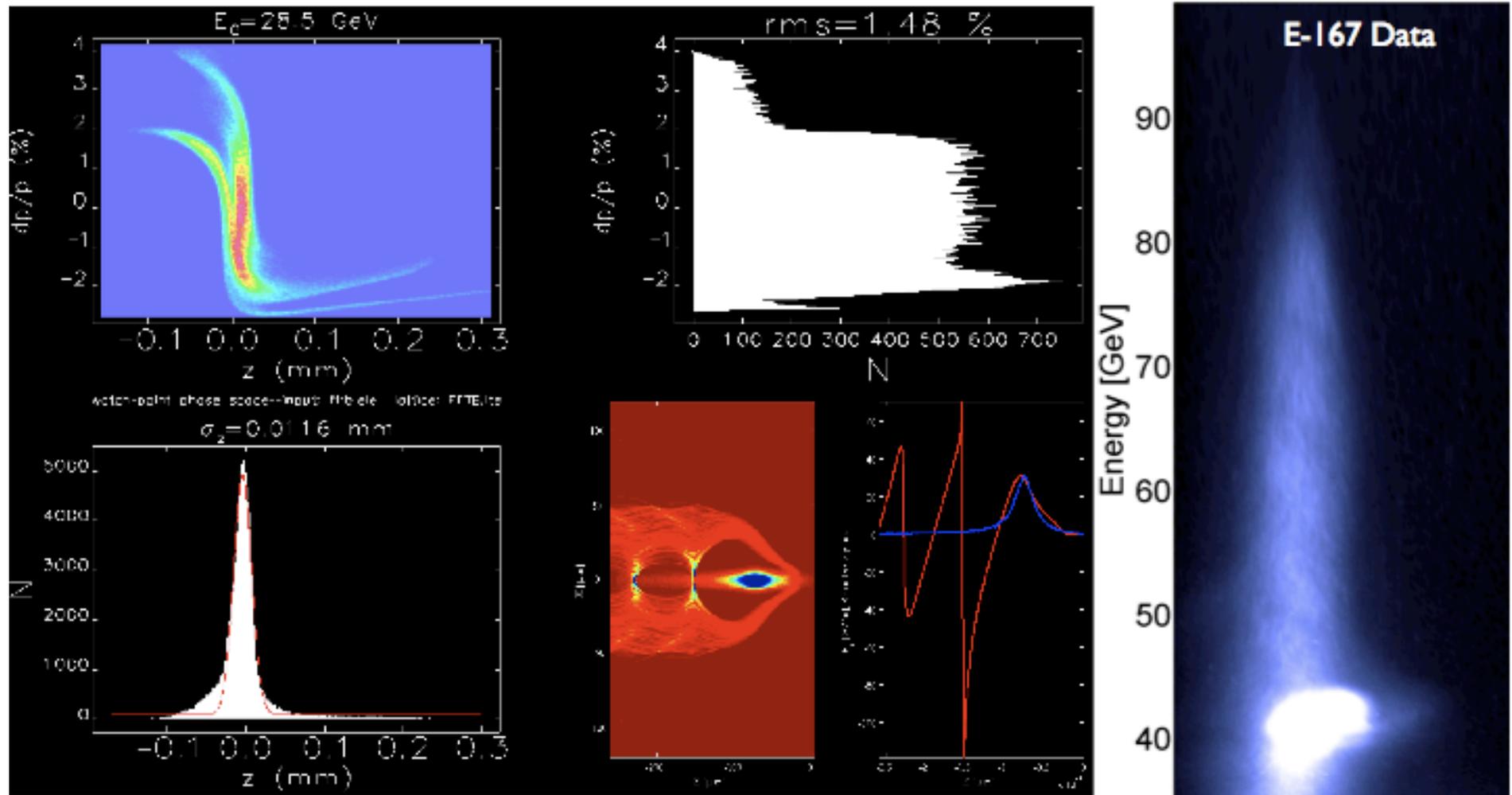
$$W_{Li} [s^{-1}] \approx \frac{3.60 \times 10^{21}}{E^{2.18} [GV/m]} \exp\left(\frac{-85.5}{E [GV/m]}\right)$$

See D. Bruhwiler et al, Physics of Plasmas 2003

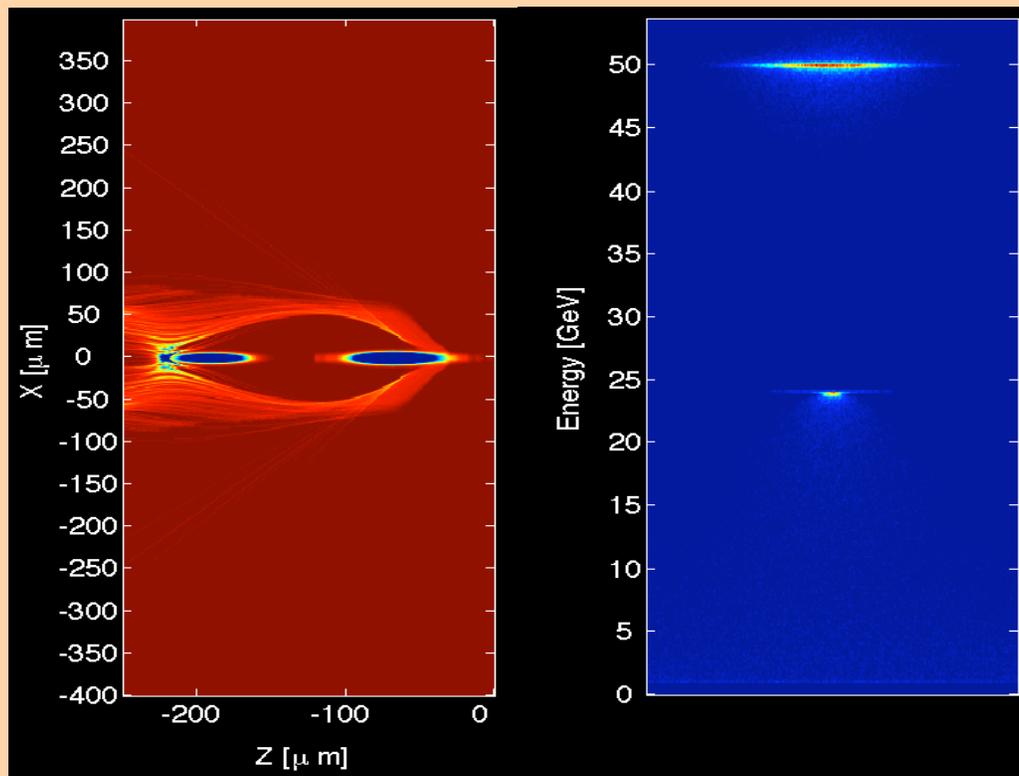
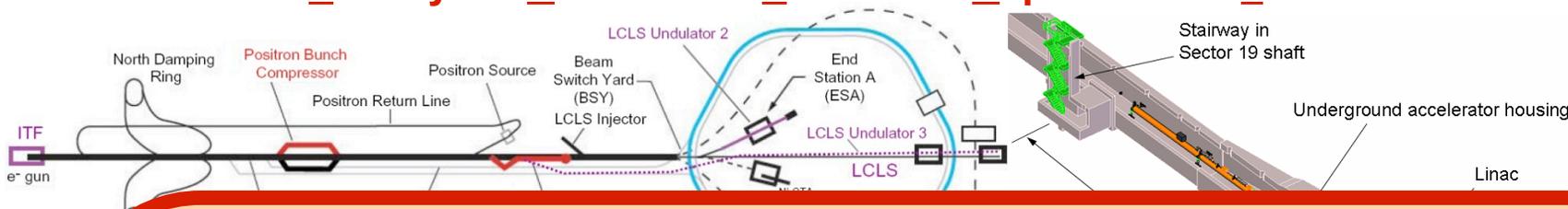
## Space charge fields tunnel ionize the vapor!

- No timing or alignment issues
- Long high-density plasmas now possible

# Single FFTB Bunch Sampled All Phases of the Wake Resulting in $\sim 200\%$ Energy Spread



# Facility for Advanced Accelerator Experimental Tests

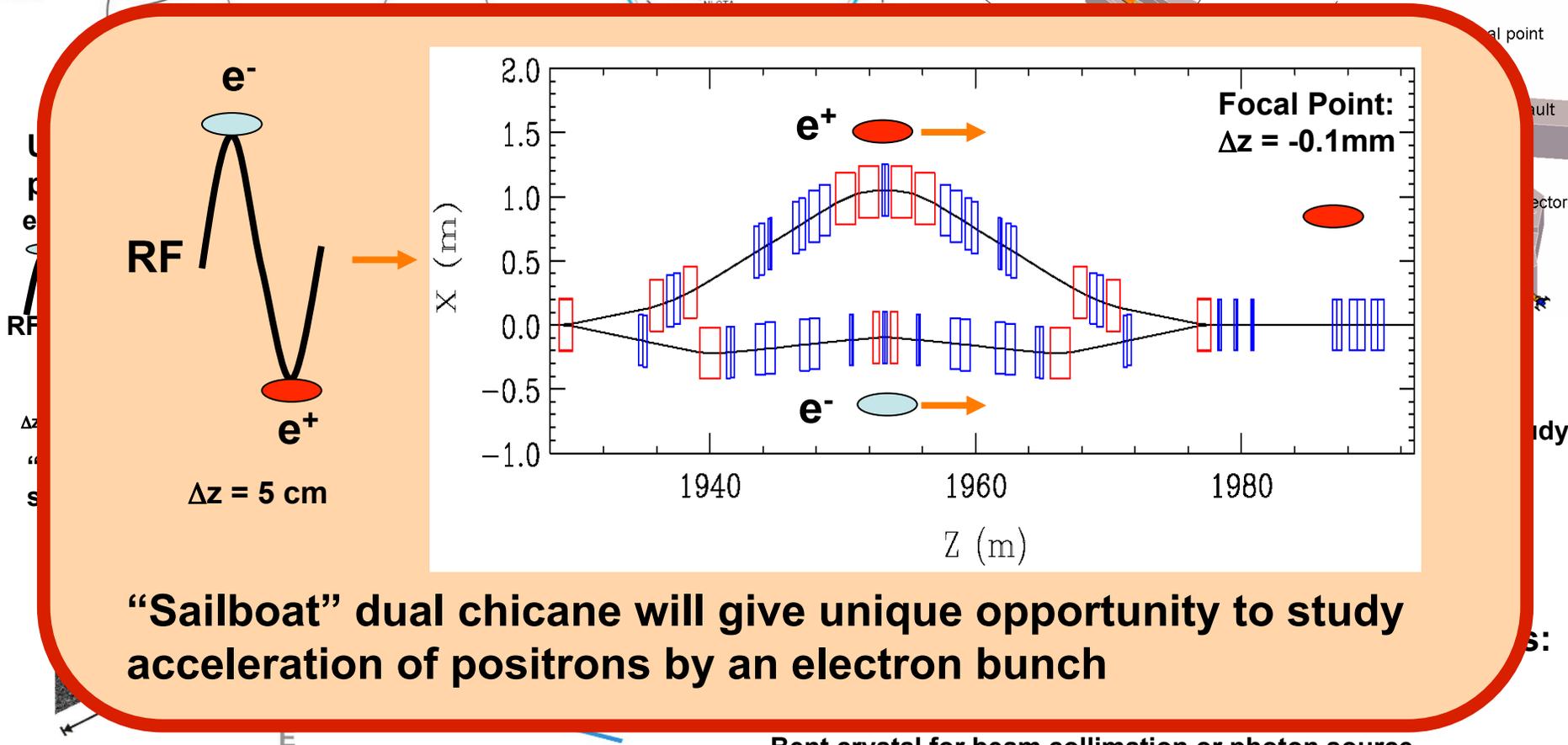
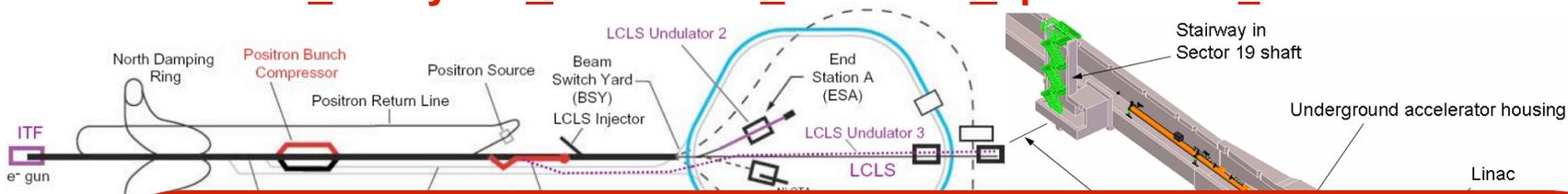


**Two electron bunches formed by notch collimator will allow study energy doubling, high efficiency acceleration, emittance preservation**

Magnetic sample      Electromagnetic field of the beam      SLAC linac beam 28 GeV  
**Short bunches and their Tera-Hz radiation open new possibilities to study ultrafast magnetization switching**

**Bent crystal for beam collimation or photon source**  
**e+ and e- acceleration study essential for LWFA & PWFA**  
**Dielectric wakefield acceleration**  
**Energy-doubling for existing facilities such as FEL's**  
**Generation of THz radiation for materials studies**

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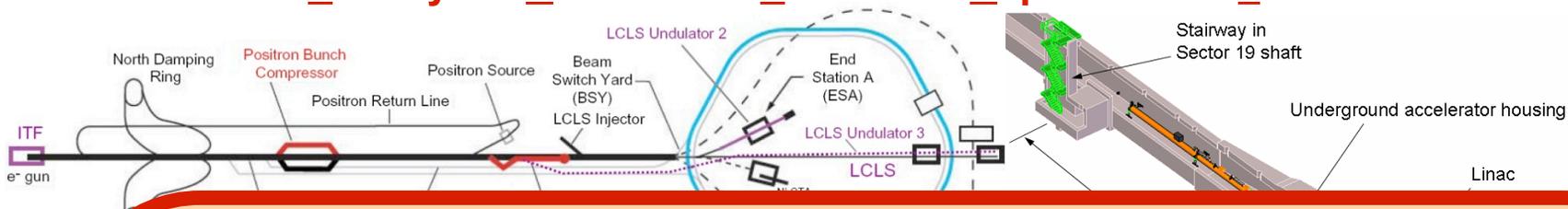
**“Sailboat” dual chicane will give unique opportunity to study acceleration of positrons by an electron bunch**

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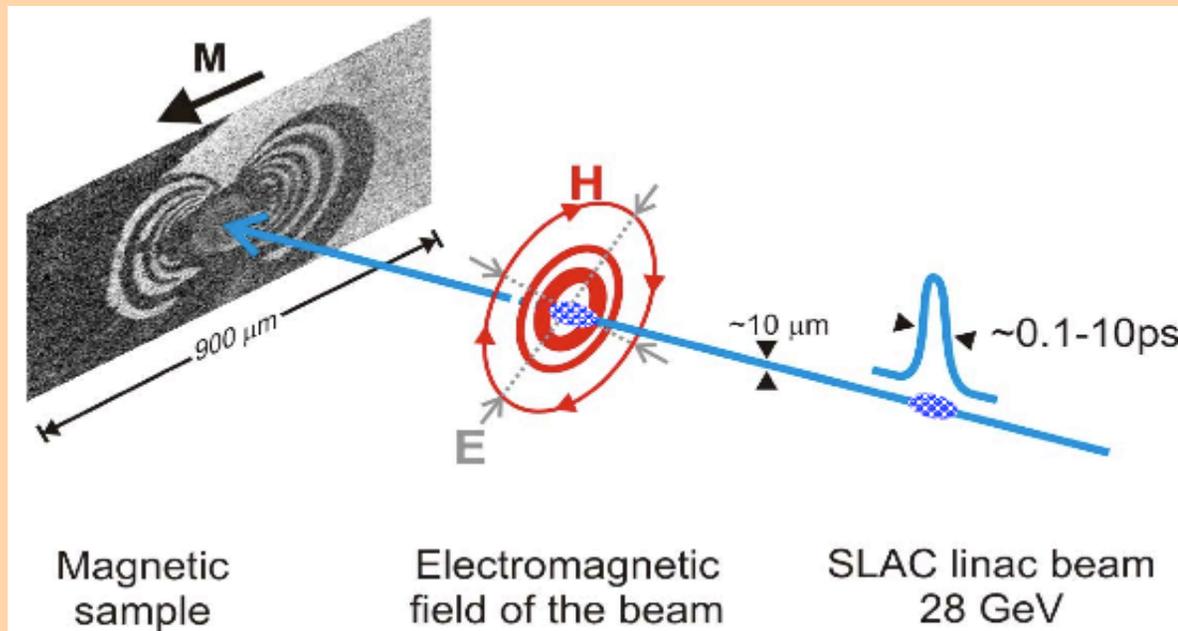
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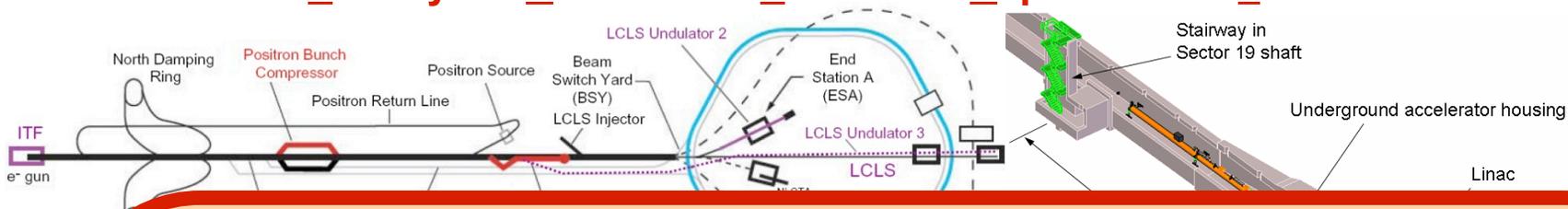
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**Unique science opportunities for variety of fields:**

- Plasma beam source for LC or Basic Energy Science
- Plasma lens for compact focusing
- Bent crystal for beam collimation or photon source
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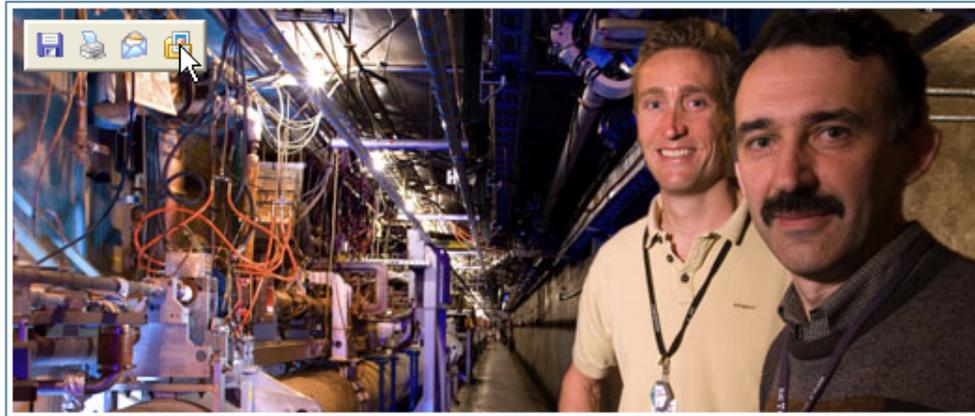
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# PWFA Experimental Program

Experimental Tasks and Milestones	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16
Accelerate e- bunch with sufficient charge		FACET	FACET					
Accelerate e- bunch achieving low energy spread			FACET	FACET				
Accelerate e- bunch with high efficiency			FACET	FACET				
<b>Demonstration of electron acceleration: high <math>\eta</math>, low <math>\Delta E</math></b>					★			
Emittance preservation of e- bunch			FACET	FACET	FACET			
<b>Demonstration of a single stage of an electron PWFA-LC</b>						★		
Acceleration of e+ bunch by e+ drive			FACET	FACET	FACET			
Initial test of e+ acceleration in e- wakes				FACET	FACET			
Emittance preservation of e+ bunch				FACET	FACET		FACET	
<i>Upgrade Sector-20 chicane</i>						●		
Accelerate e+ by e- drive; charge, low dE/E						FACET	FACET	
Accelerate e+ by e-, high efficiency, low emittance						FACET	FACET	
<b>Selection of optimum positron acceleration mechanism for a PWFA-LC</b>								★
<i>Upgrade injector with rf gun</i>					●			
Plasma cell with jet and power removal	Study	Study	Eng.	Eng.	FACET	FACET	FACET	
<b>Design plasma cell with needed stability and cooling</b>								★

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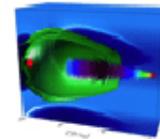


**What Is FACET?**

Advanced accelerator research promises to improve the power and efficiency of today's particle accelerators, enhancing applications in medicine and high-energy physics, and providing potential benefits for research in materials, biological and energy science. Experiments on future acceleration techniques require high-quality, forefront facilities.



FACET—Facilities for Accelerator science and Experimental Test beams at SLAC—will study plasma acceleration, using short, intense pulses of electrons and positrons to create an acceleration source called a plasma wakefield accelerator. FACET will meet the Department of Energy Mission Need Statement for an Advanced Plasma Acceleration Facility.



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**News and Events**

**SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory to Receive \$68.3 Million in Recovery Act Funding** - March 23, 2009

**New Accelerator Technique Doubles Particle Energy in Just One Meter** - February 14, 2007

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**Research**

With FACET, the SLAC linac will support a unique program concentrating on second-generation research on plasma wakefield acceleration.



**Plasma Wakefield Acceleration**



**THz Radiation**



**Plasma Focusing**



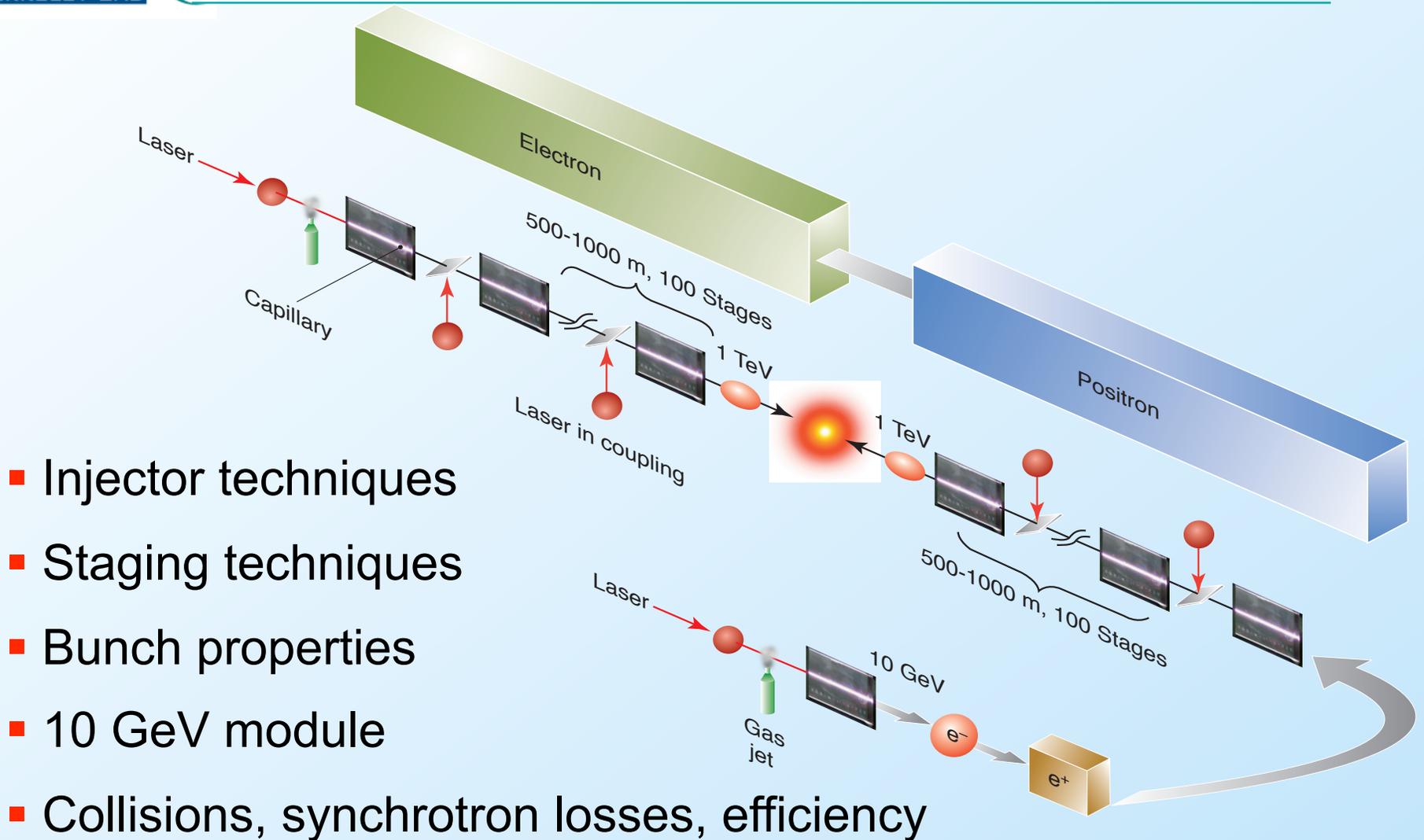
**Dielectric Wakefield Acceleration**

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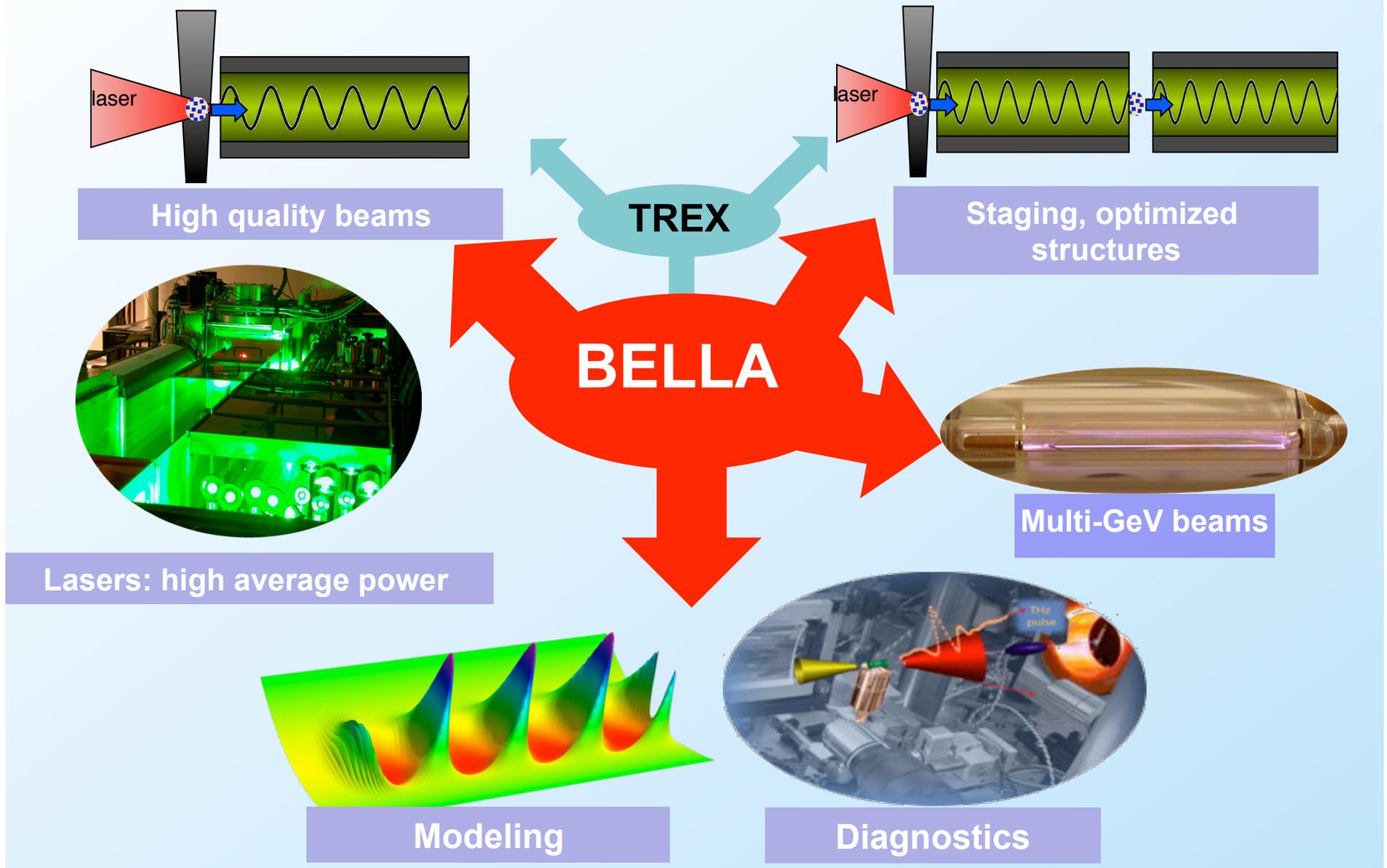
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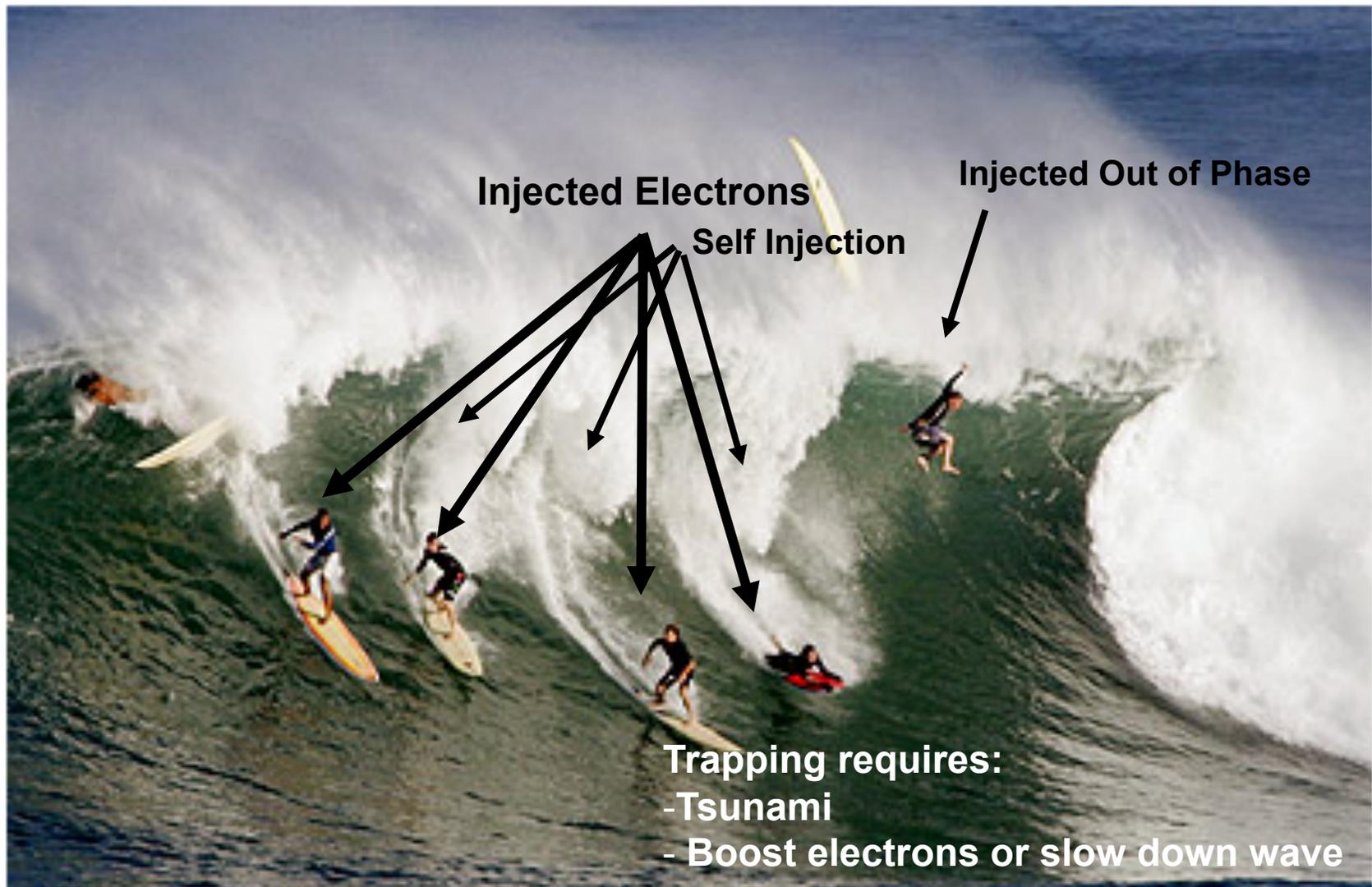
# Draft concept has been developed for a Laser Plasma Linear Collider



# Technical challenges in next 10 years

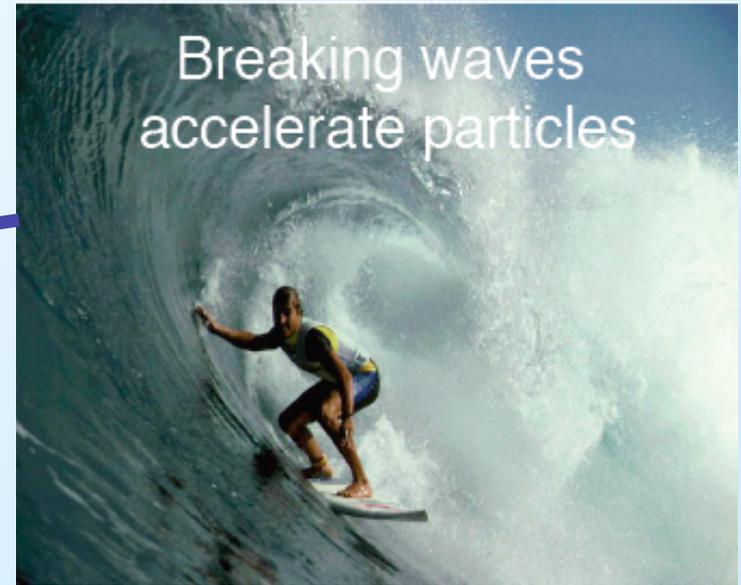
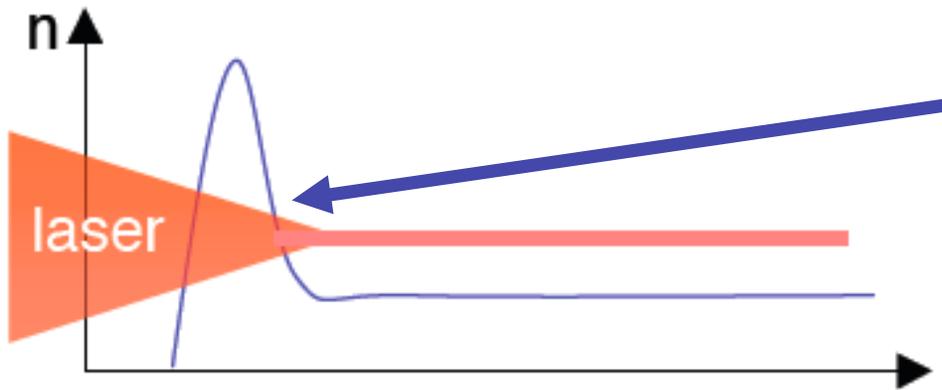


# “Electrons” accelerating on a wave: controlled injection





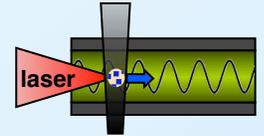
# Longitudinal density tailoring allows trapping control



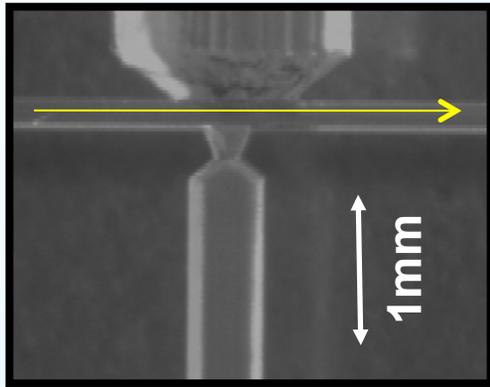
- **As laser propagates through down-ramp**
  - Plasma wavelength increases so wave period and laser period match leading to
    - Efficient wave generation
    - Slower phase velocity that enables trapping



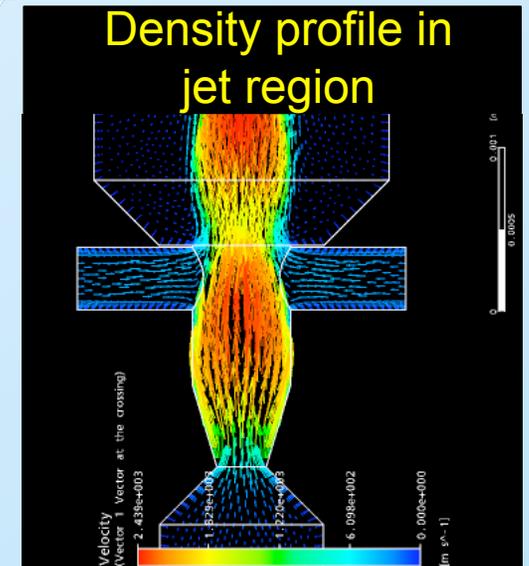
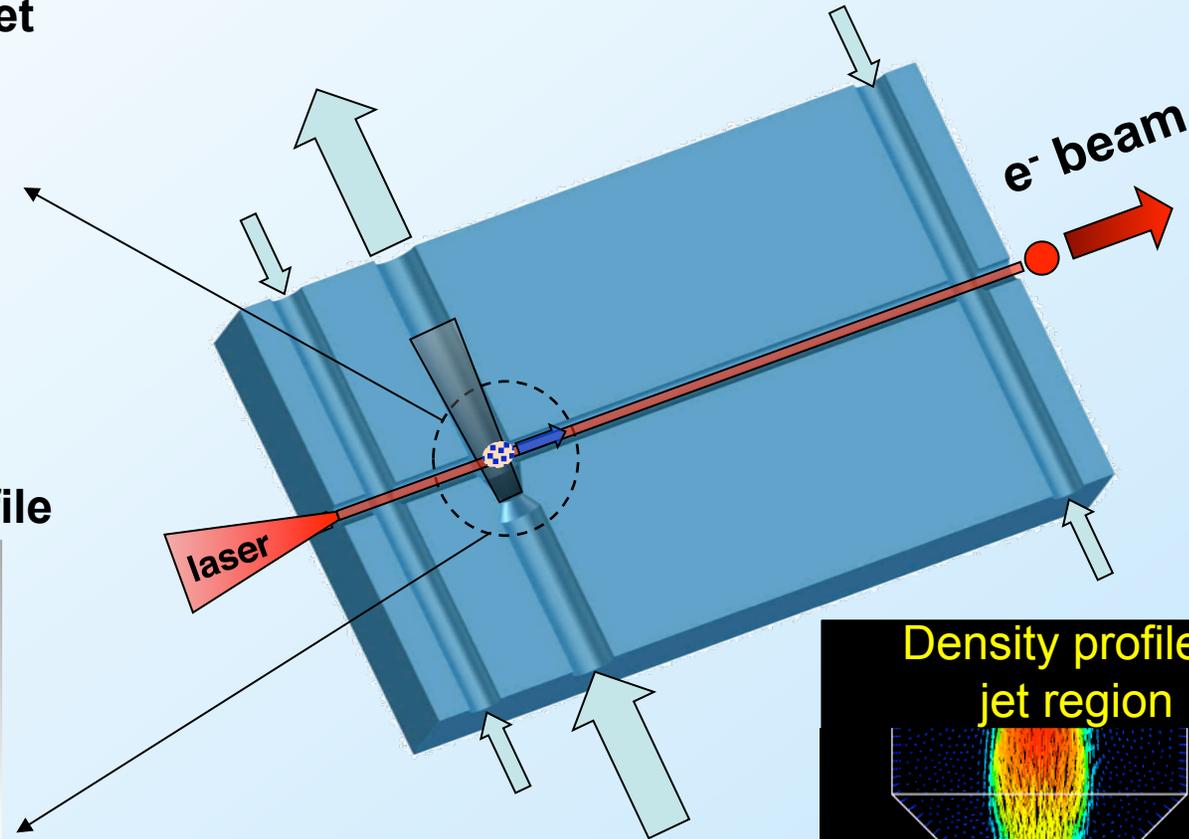
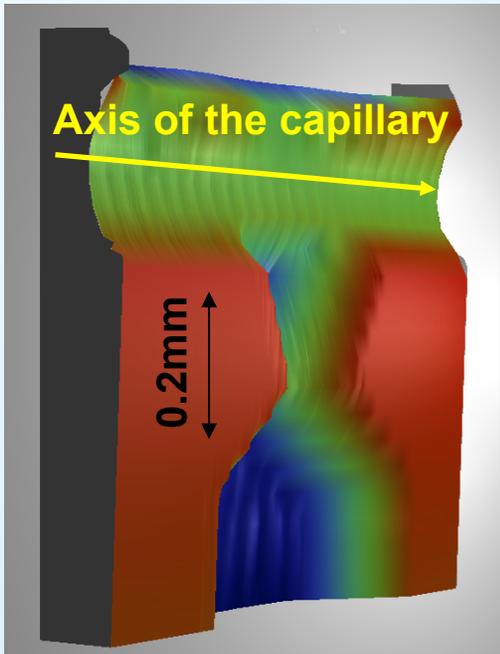
# Gas Jet Nozzle Machined Into Capillary Can Provide Local Density Perturbation



## Laser-machined gas jet

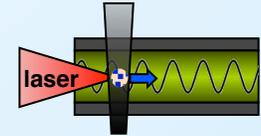


## Measured surface profile

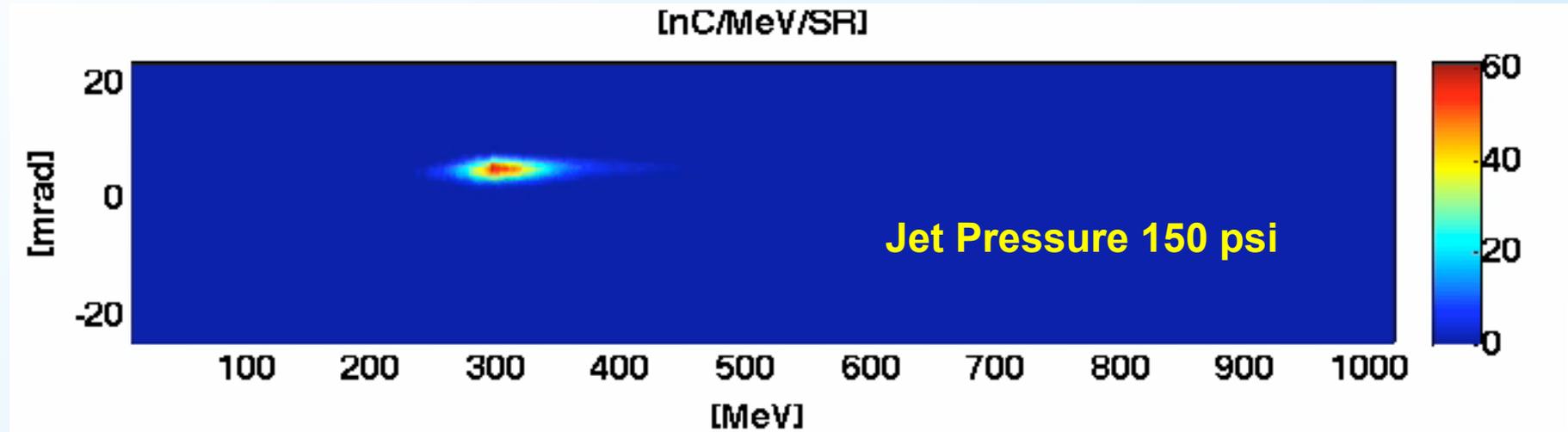




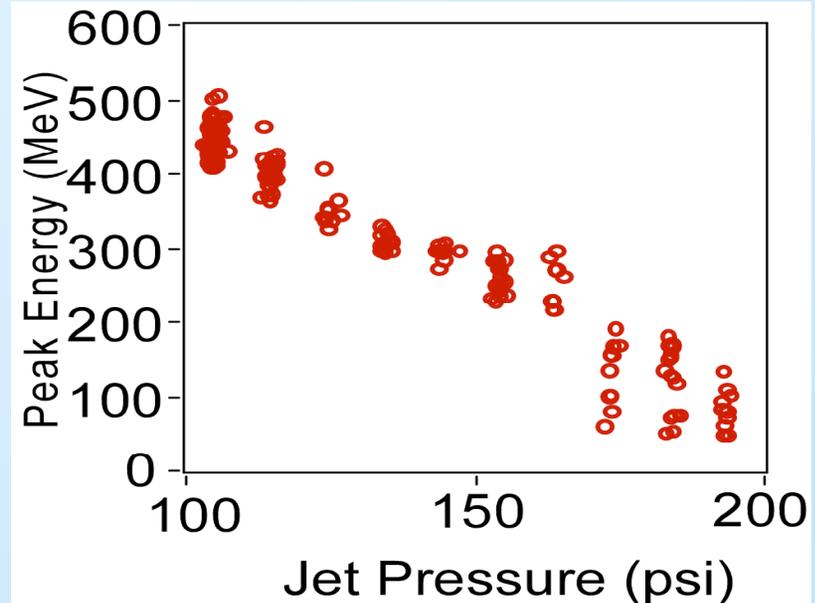
# Gas jet triggered injections provides for enhanced stability & tuning



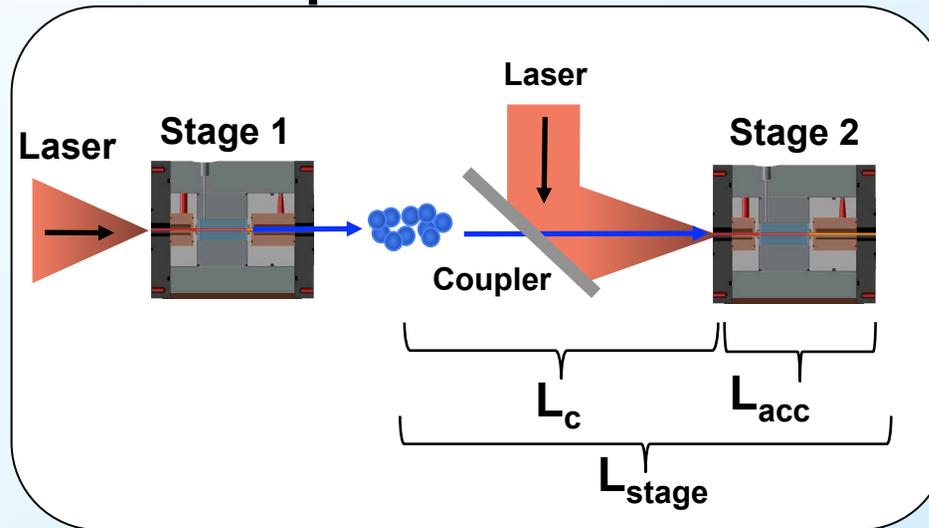
Input Parameters:  $N_e \approx 2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $a_0 \approx 1$  (25TW), Laser pulse length  $\approx 45 \text{ fs}$



- Pointing  $\pm 0.8 \text{ mrad}$
- Divergence  $< 3 \text{ mrad}$
- Peak energy  $300 \text{ MeV} \pm 7 \text{ MeV}$



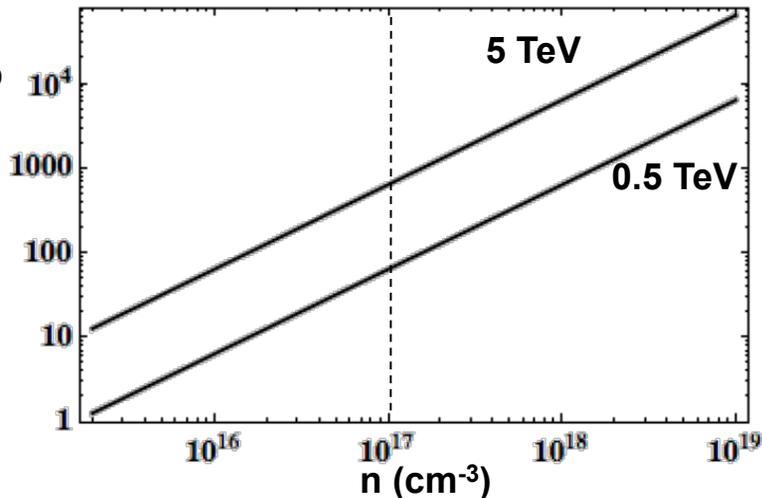
# Staging laser accelerators is required to reach TeV



Accelerator length will be determined by staging technology:

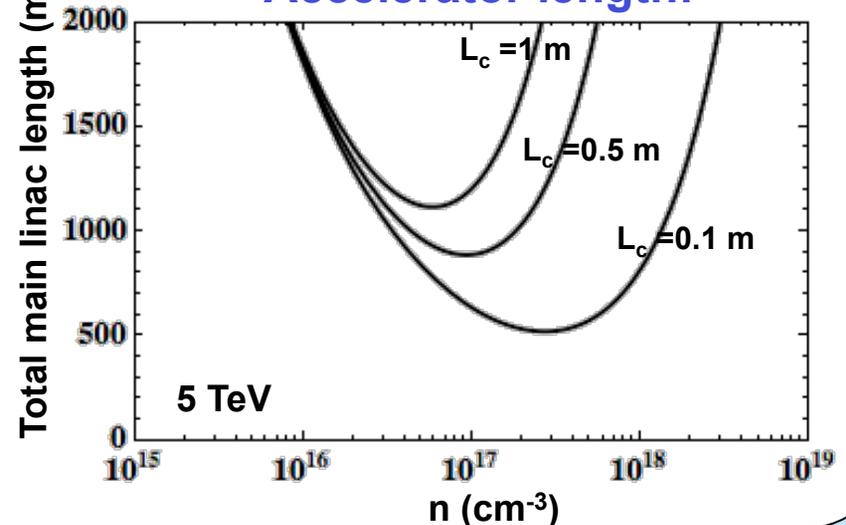
number of accelerating stages

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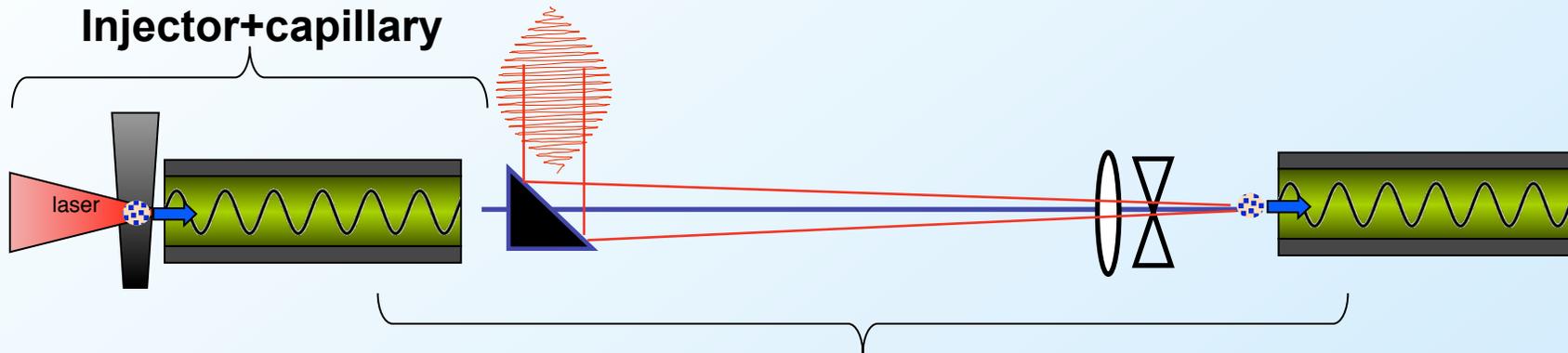
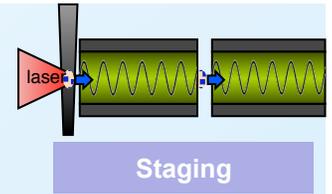


Total main linac length (m)

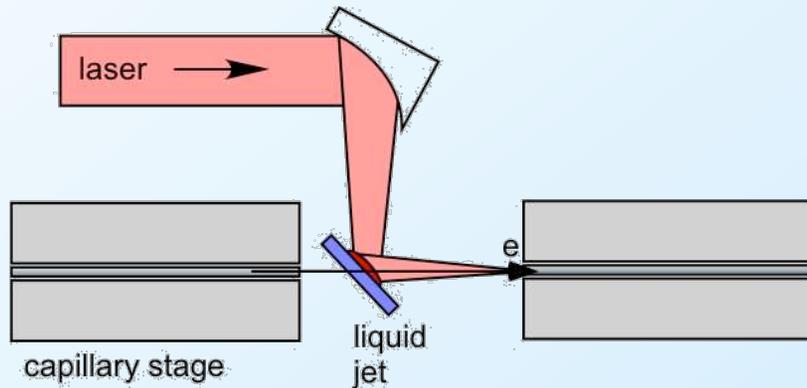
Accelerator length:



# Staging: solving the issue of depletion of laser energy

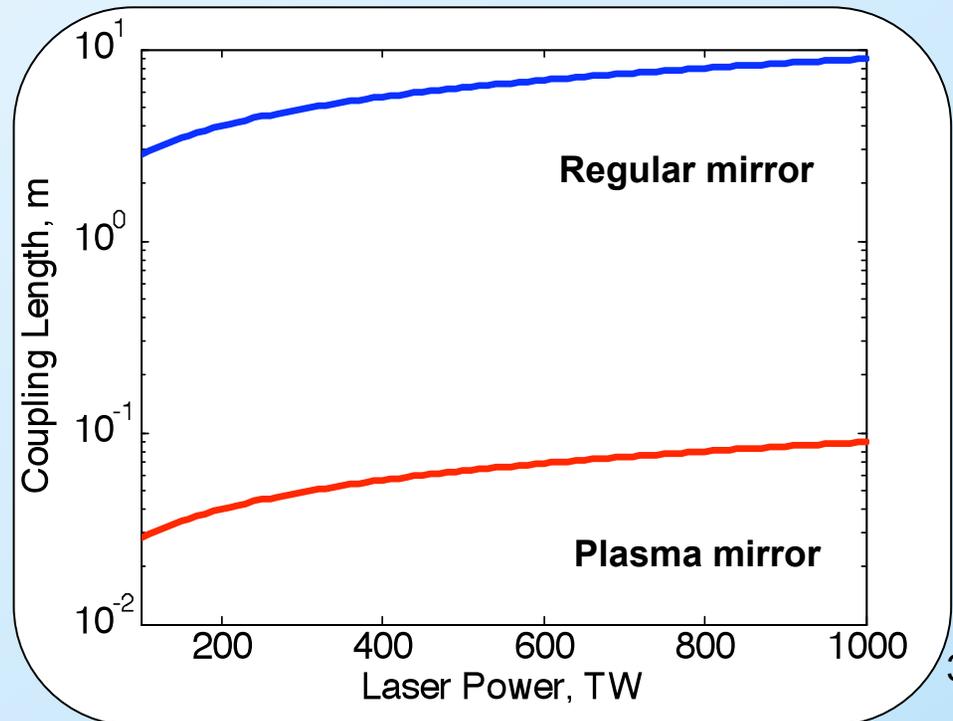


## Renewable mirrors



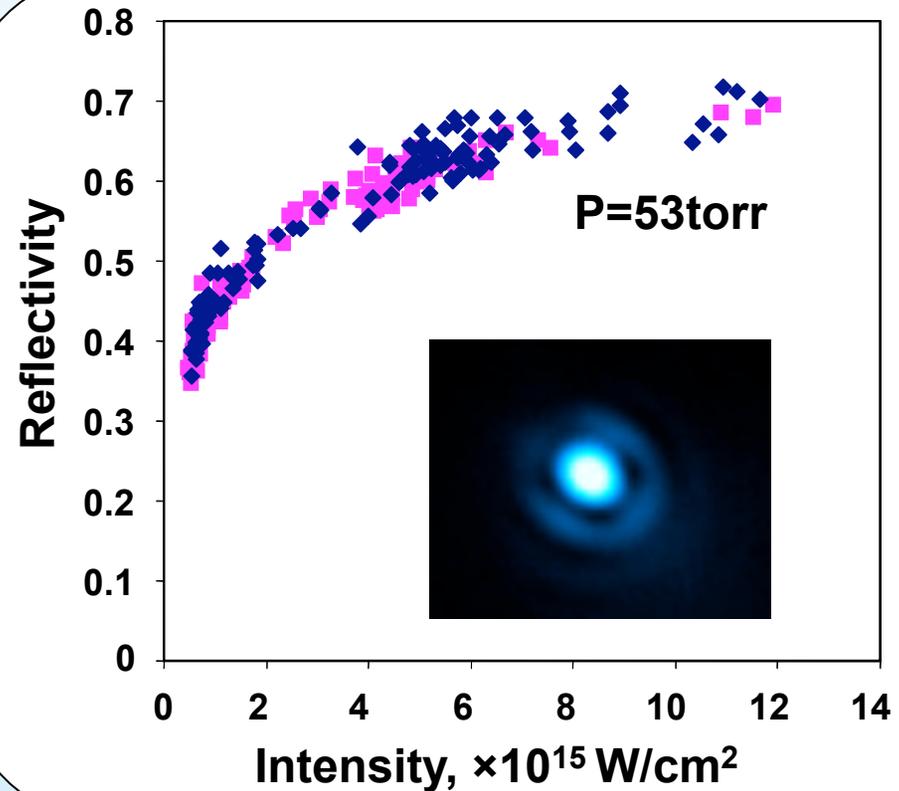
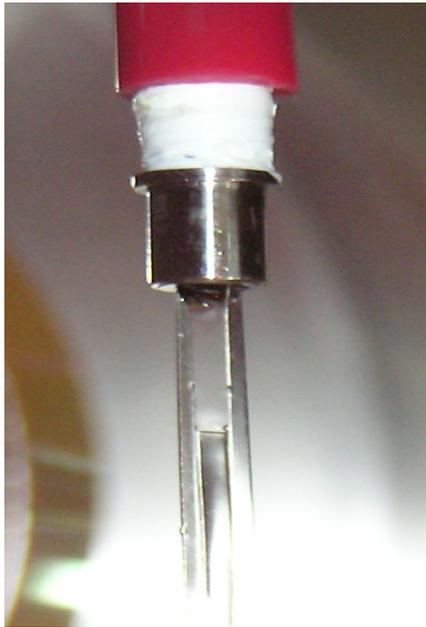
- Reflectivity and flatness
- Preserve quality of electron beam
- Non-contaminating, renewable

## Structure-to-structure



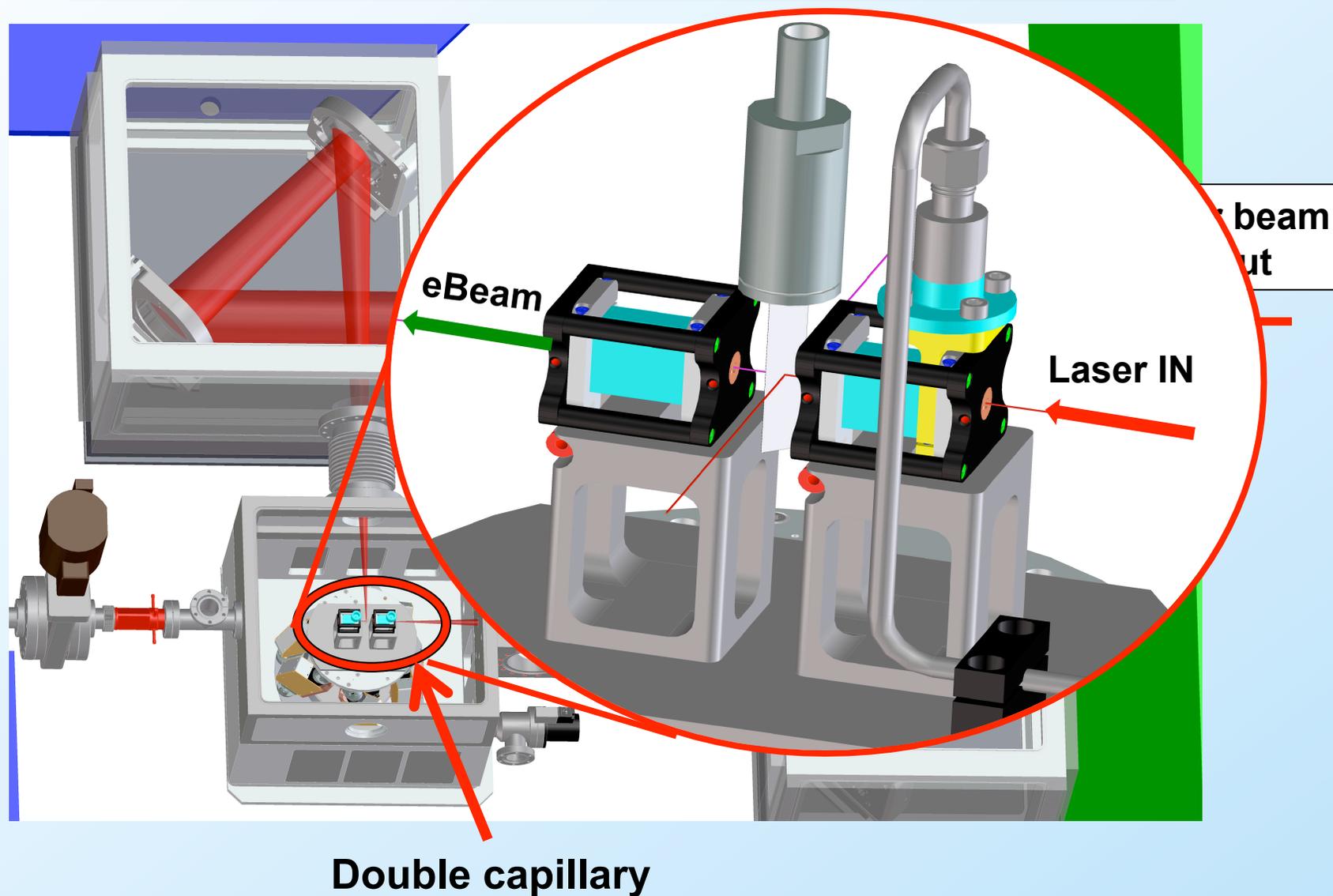
# Prototype water jet plasma mirror is being tested in vacuum

LOASIS Jet with a guiding structure



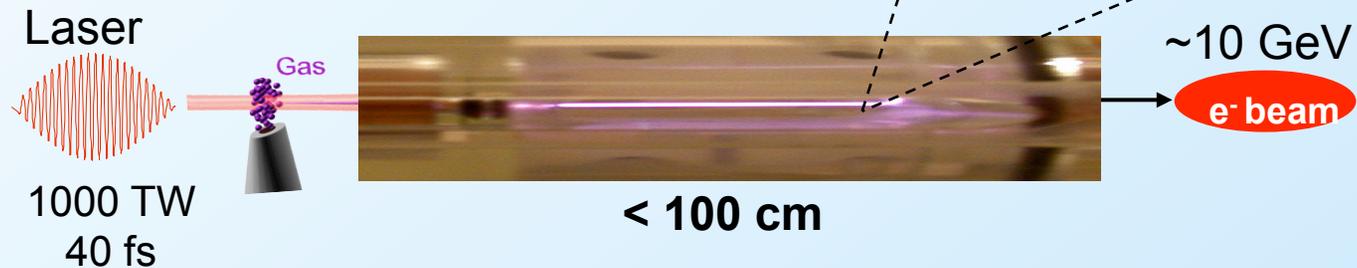
- 70% maximum reflectivity
- Pressure in the chamber limited by water vapor sat. pressure (~20 torr)

# Lay-out for proof-of-principle staging experiments



# BELLA laser will enable 10 GeV module and high energy staging experiments

- **10 GeV module (2-stage)**
- Theory and simulations 40 J in  $\sim 40$ -100 fs laser pulse
- BELLA Project: 1 PW, 1 Hz laser

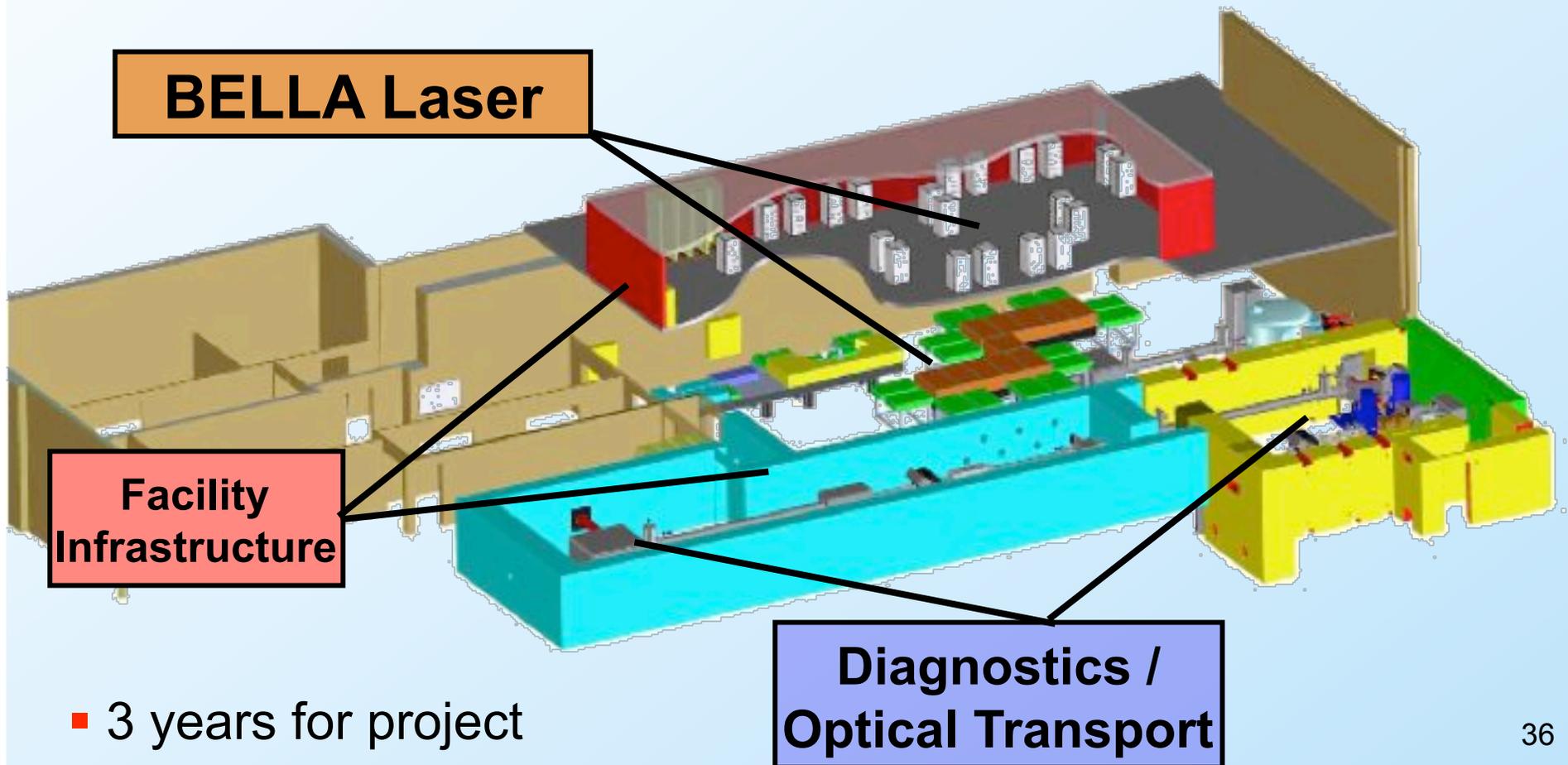


- Long scale length plasma channels
- Energy spread and emittance studies; pump depletion
- Tapered channels to optimize laser to e-beam efficiency
- Higher order laser mode drivers for emittance control
- X-ray FEL driver; coherent THz; ultra-fast magnetic switching; gamma-rays
- Positron production; plasma wakefield acceleration
- Detector testing



# BELLA Project underway: state-of-the-art facility for laser based accelerator science

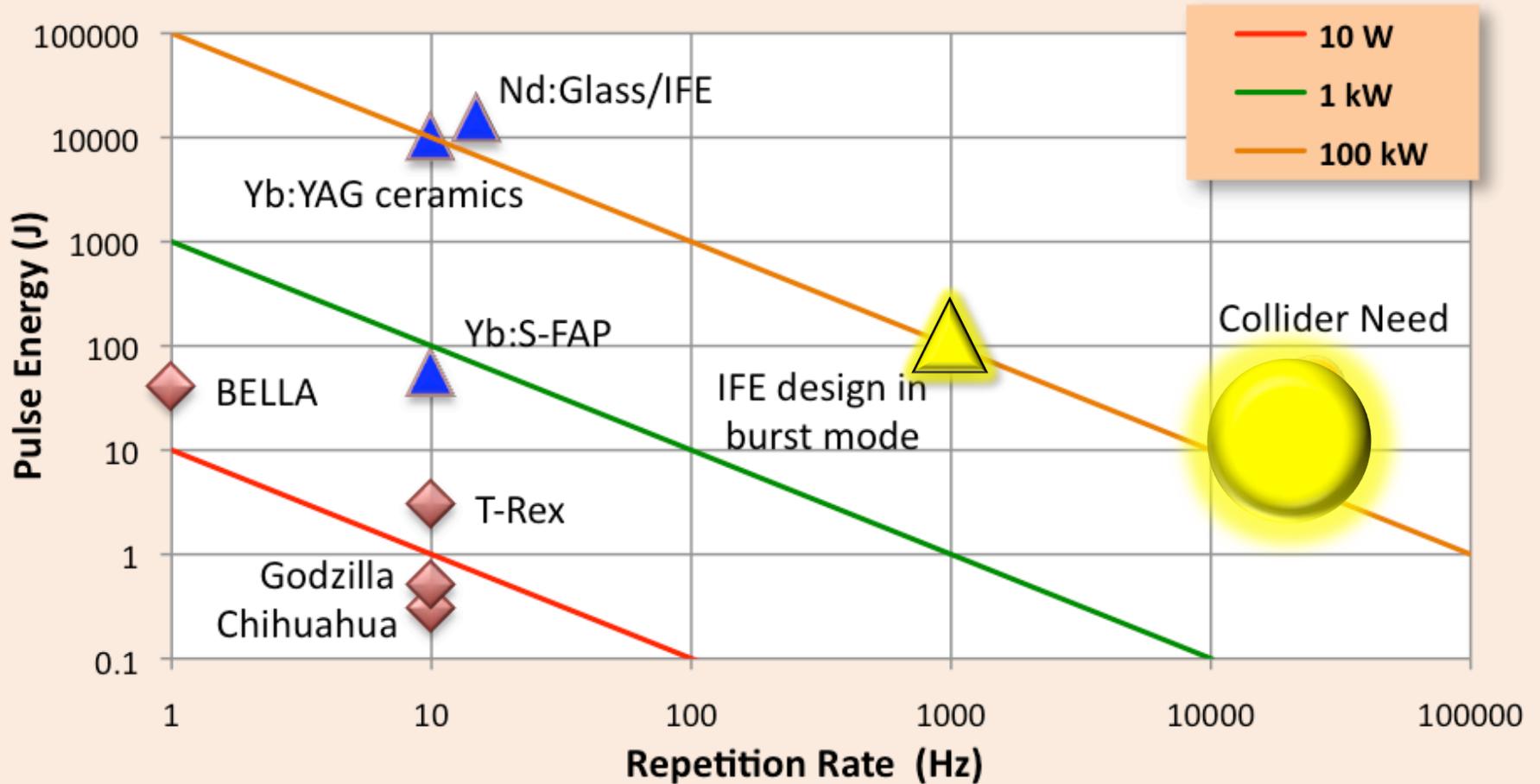
- High rep rate (1 Hz), Petawatt class laser (>40 J in < 40 fs)
- Laser bay and target area
- Laser diagnostics



- 3 years for project



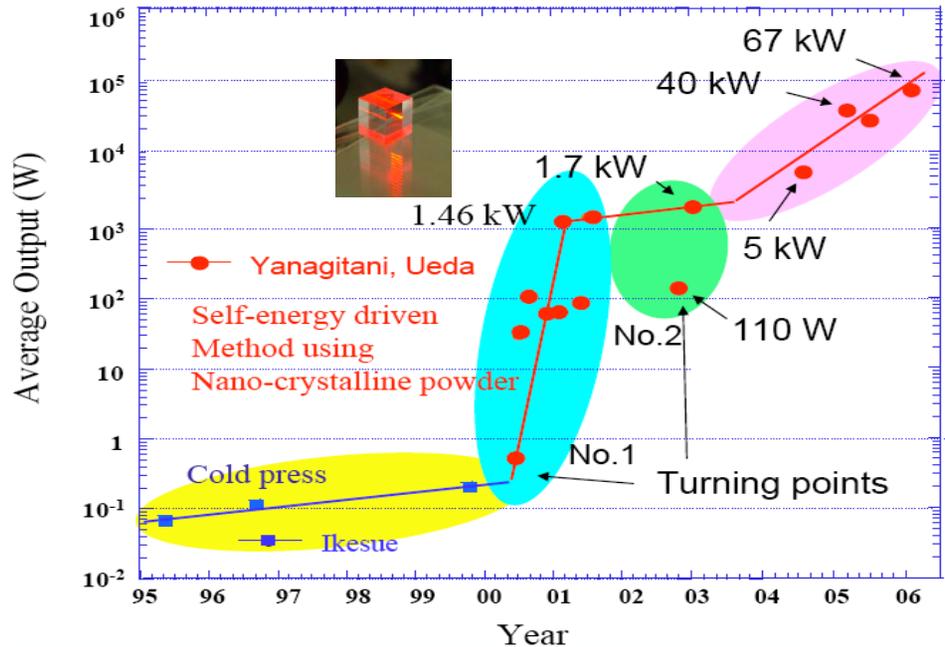
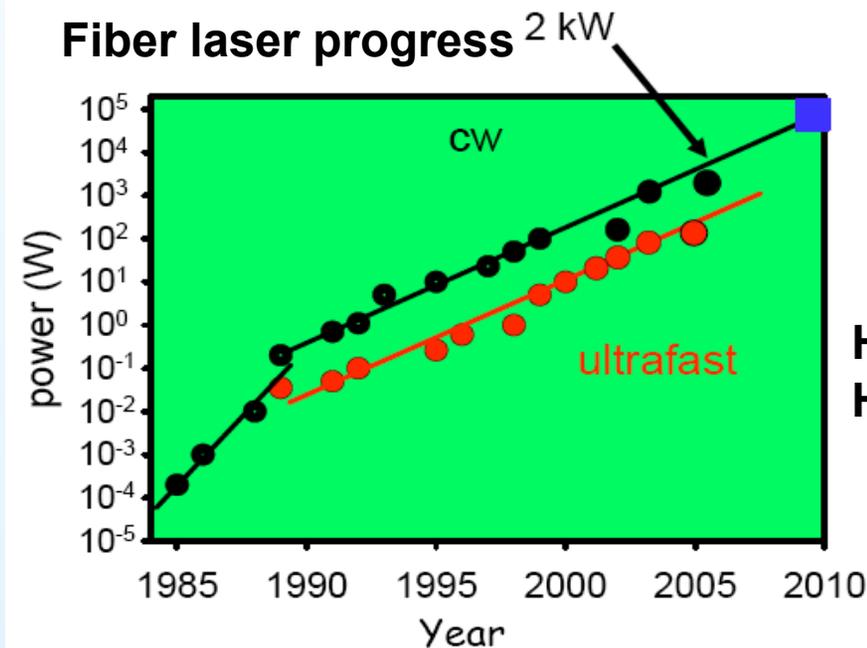
## High Average Power Short Pulse Lasers - 2008





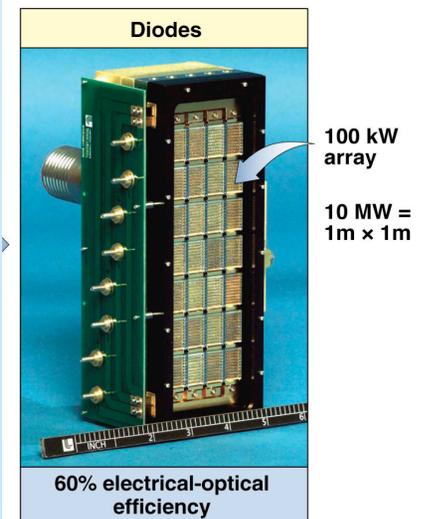
# Critical Technology: High average power, high peak power lasers, high wall plug efficiency

- Large core single mode fibers
- Multiplexing, coherent addition
- Ceramic materials



High power diodes  
High efficiency pumping

Prospect for kJ, picosecond, multi-kHz systems at 30-50 % wallplug seems possible



Courtesy: B. Byer and C. Barty



# Summary

- TeV collider is extremely challenging (for any technology), let alone multi-TeV
- Steady, phased approach is needed to address major technological challenges
- BELLA and FACET now launched: cornerstone facilities for AA R&D
  - Address key technological challenges for collider designs
  - Will keep plasma based accelerator R&D in US competitive with rest of world
  - Train students and postdocs
  - Important spin-off applications
- Workshop on laser technology for driving future accelerators planned with ICFA and ICUIL blessing



- Backup material on BELLA/LOASIS



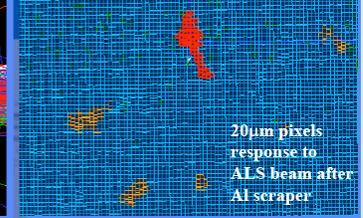
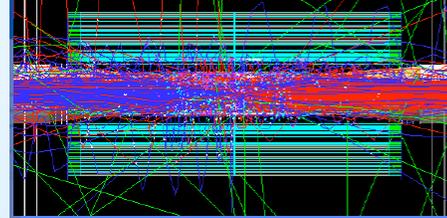
# Detector test facility at BELLA: one stop shopping for 0.1 – 10 GeV electrons

- Battaglia gave talk at CD-0 review:
  - Need for Test Facilities
  - Pair production expt's on BELLA
  - See CD-0 talks

## Pair Production Experiment at BELLA



Major source of background at ILC is due to pairs produced in intense beam interaction:



- Study detector response to pair background: need to characterise cluster shape of low momentum electrons (0.05-0.5 GeV) and validate simulation to assess occupancy level and pair hit rejection feasibility;
- Study pair production in dedicated experiment and validate simulation code: Bethe-Heitler process  $e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$  colliding BELLA beam with intense laser, important experiment to gather data to compare with simulation.

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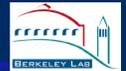
## Summary of Beam Test Facilities



Lab	Facility	Beam	E (GeV)	Rep (Hz)	Availability
CERN	SPS X7	$e, \pi, \mu, p$	up to 250	0.01-0.05	depending on LHC
	SPS H2	$e, \pi, \mu, p$	up to 200	0.01-0.05	“ “ “ “
FNAL	MTBF	$e, \pi, \mu, p$	up to 120	0.0016	Continuous
SLAC	FSA	$e^-$	1.0 - 28.5	10	<2008 [LCLS]
LBNL	BELLA	$e^-$	0.1 – 10	1.0	This Proposal
DESY	DESY-II	$e^-$	1.0 – 6.0	12.5	<2010 [PETRA-III]
KEK	PS	$\pi^-$	1.0 – 4.0		decommissioned
	Fuji TBL	$e^-$	0.3 - 3.4		>2008
LBNL	ALS BTF	$e^-$	1.2 - 1.5	0.5-1.0	<2008 [Top Off Mode]
IHEP	Linac	$e^-, e^+$	0.4 - 1.3	1.5	available

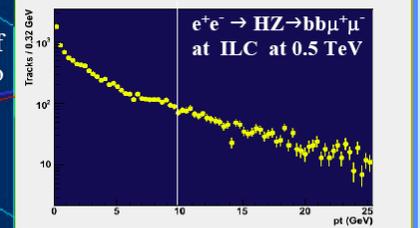
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## A 10 GeV beam in the TeV era



10 GeV  $e^-$  beam ideal for detector beam test characterisation & calibration;

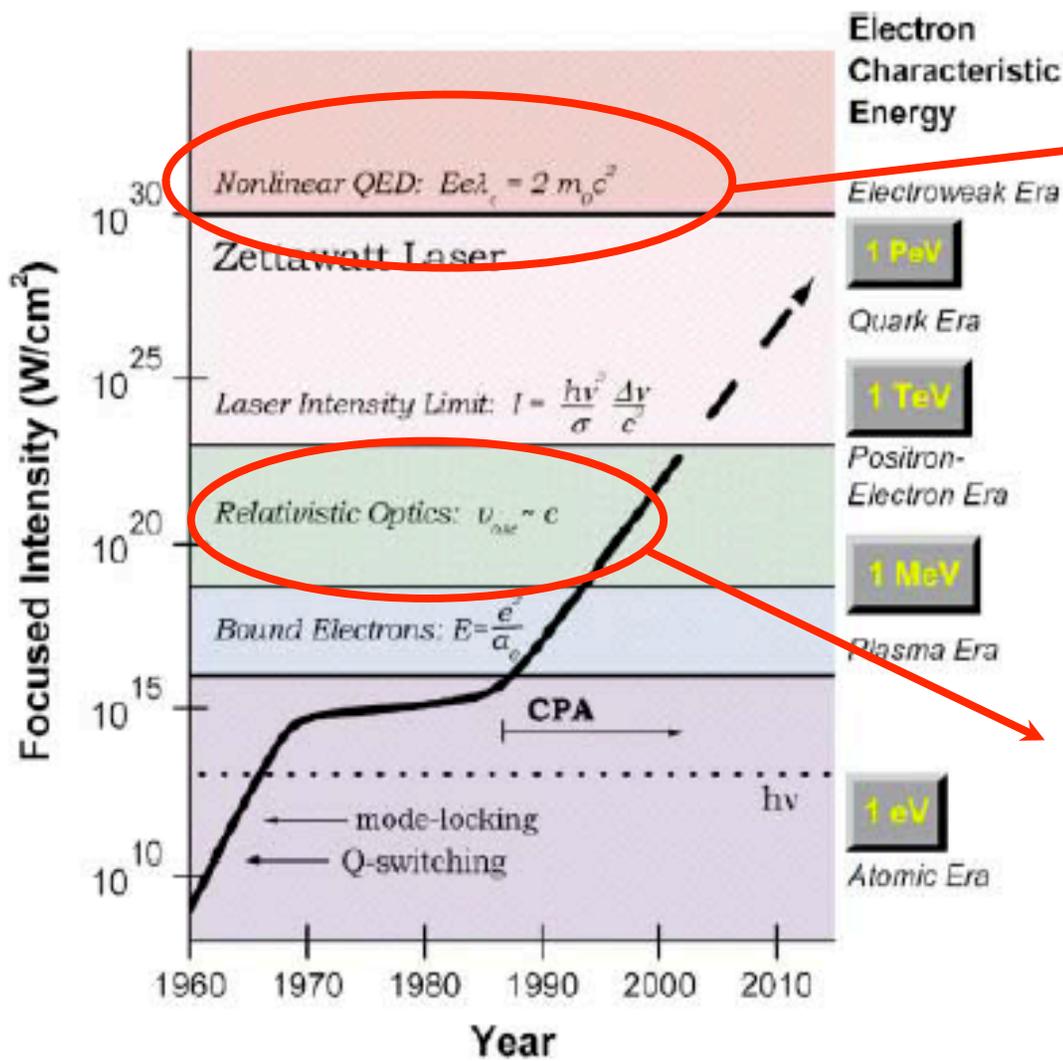
- Need large enough energy to **minimise multiple scattering** ( $\sim 1/p$ ) and have **dynamic range** to calibrate response;
- Despite large c.m energies, energy of final state particles remain low due to large number of partons/hadrons produced:
- Need beamline with **bend section** to suppress laser background and **optics** to reduce beam intensity and magnify beam spot (from  $10^8$ - $10^9 e^-$  bunch $^{-1}$  on  $\mu\text{m}$  spot to few  $10^2$ - $10^3 e^- \text{cm}^{-2}$ );
- Narrow, intense beam essential for pair generation experiment.



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# BELLA laser will provide access to ultra-relativistic physics



- Schwinger critical field
- Vacuum breakdown
- Non-linear QED
- Accessible by Compton scattering part of BELLA beam against 10 GeV beam

- Ultra-high gradient acceleration
- Photon and Particle Foundry
- AMO science
- HEDP
- Pathway to Ultra-relativistic physics

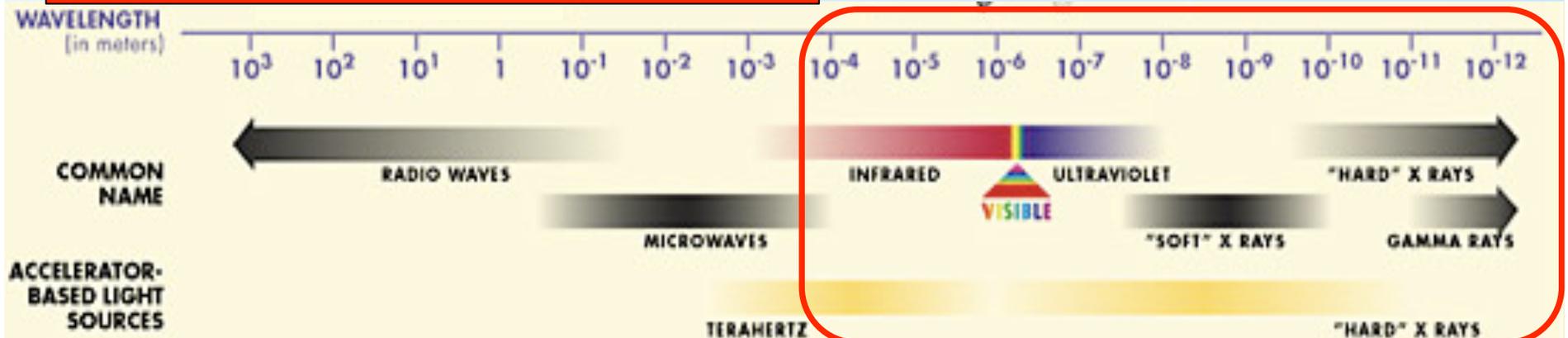
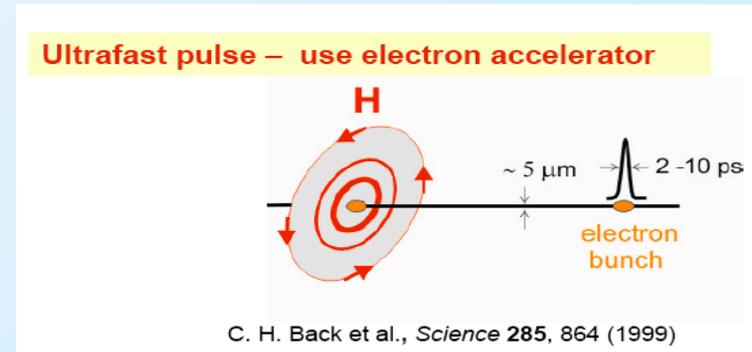
Focused Intensity vs. Year  
(after T. Tajima and G. Mourou, PRSTAB2002)



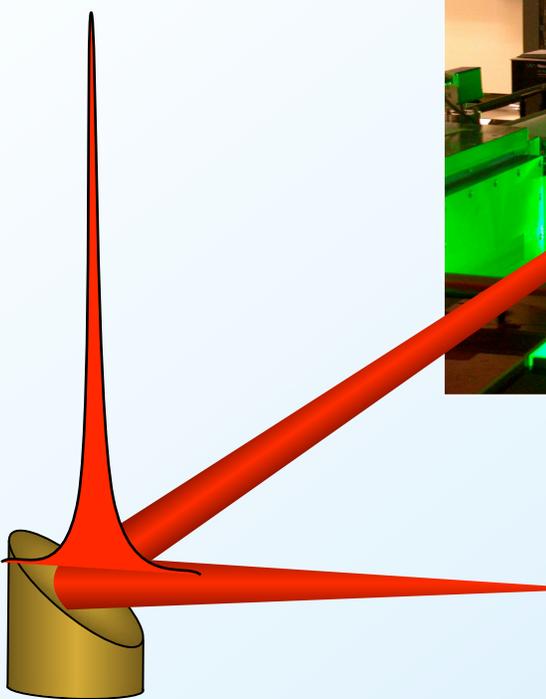
# Unique bunch parameters enable wide range of forefront applications

- Bunch properties:
  - Ultra-short electron bunches, high peak current (multi-kA)
  - Intrinsic synchronization with laser pulse
- Direct use of e-bunches:
  - Domain switching in ferromagnets

- Radiation sources:
  - Coherent terahertz emission
  - XUV generation
  - X-rays and gamma rays

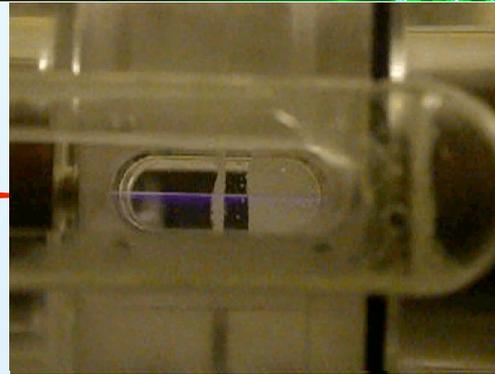
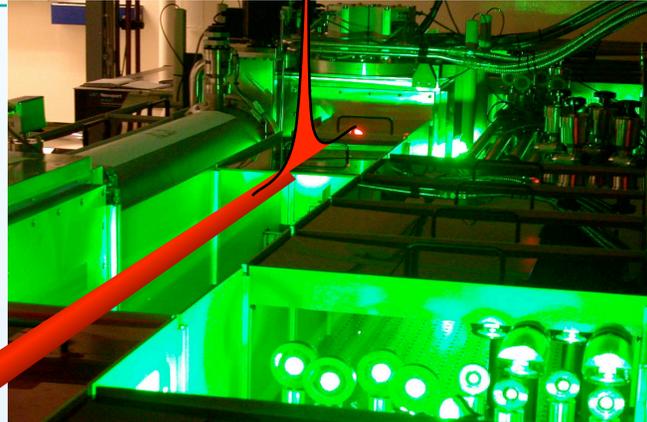


# Development of XUV/soft x-ray FEL

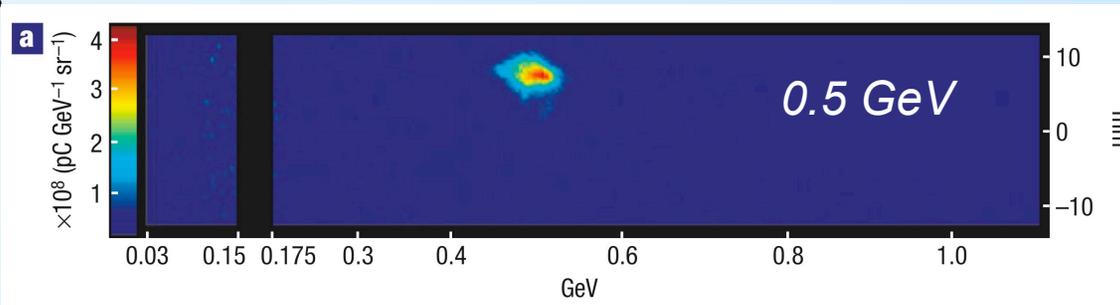
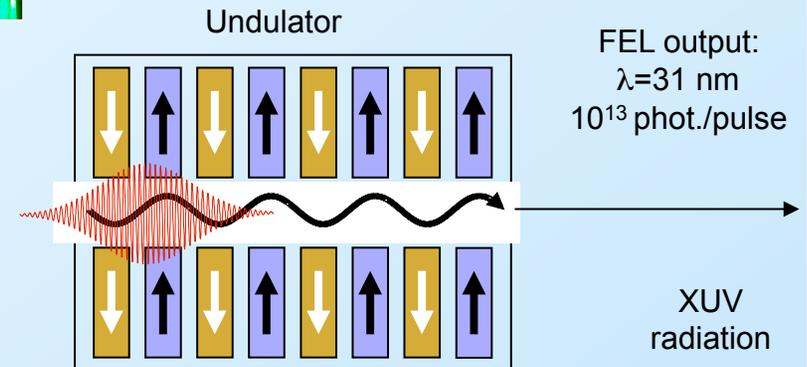
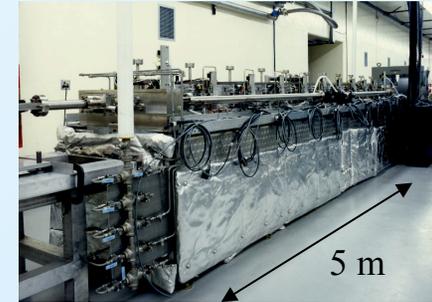


**T-REX laser system**

$I_{pk} \sim 10^{18} \text{ W/cm}^2$   
40 TW, 40 fs

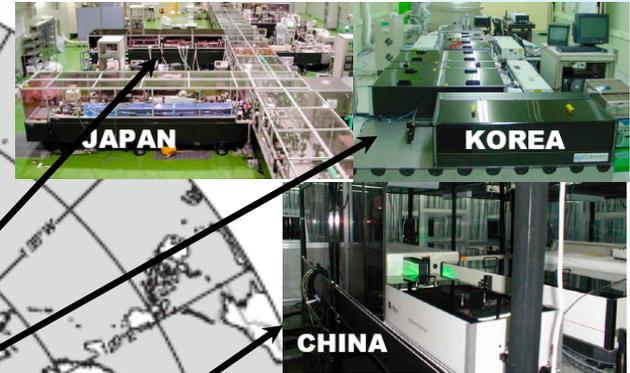
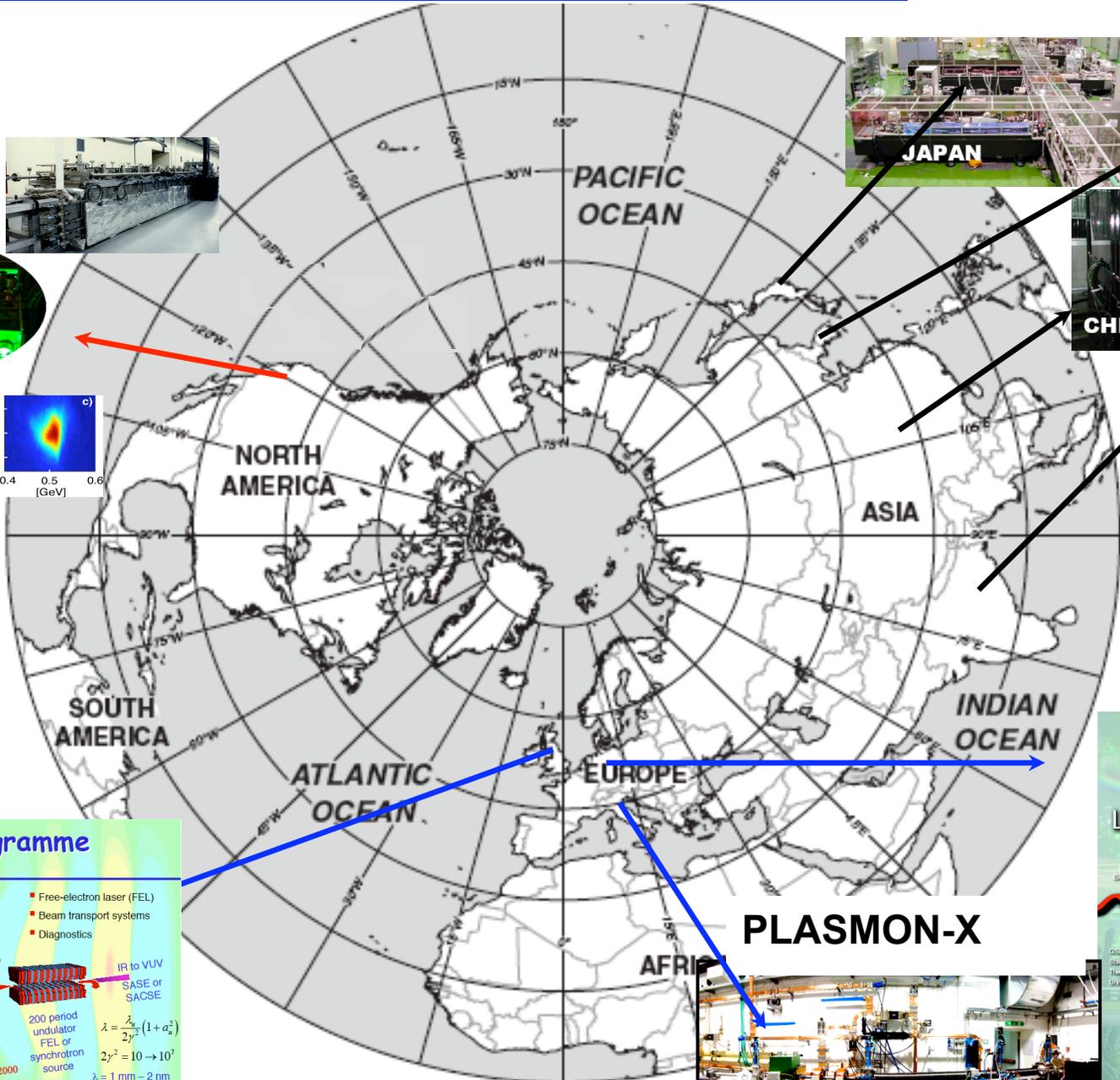
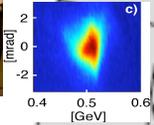
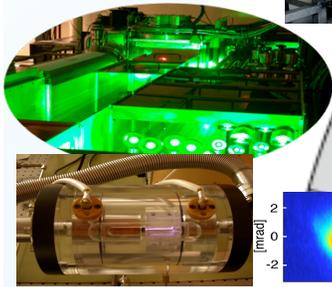


Plasma capillary technology



# World-wide effort aimed at FEL using laser accelerator

**LBNL**



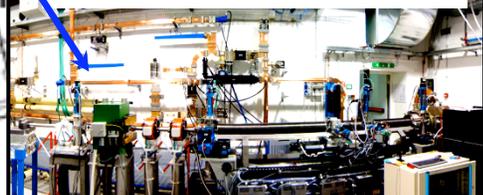
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**LMU** — Physics, Medicine, Geo-science, Biology  
**TUM** — Chemistry, Computer Science, Medicine, Physics

**SIEMENS** (medical)  
**MPG** (Max Planck Institutes for Experimental Physics, Chemistry, Physics, Solid State Physics, Plasma Physics, Computational Science and Technology, Earth and Environmental Physics)

**PLASMON-X**



## ALPHA-X Programme

Main areas of research:

- Injectors (conventional and all-optical)
- Laser-plasma wake-field acceleration
- Plasma capillaries
- Free-electron laser (FEL)
- Beam transport systems
- Diagnostics

