

# Compact, low-cost higher order mode absorbers formed by cold spray of metal matrix composites

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# RadiaBeam: Brightness, Applied



- Spin-out of UCLA Physics Department: 2004

   Located in Santa Monica, California
- Charge particle optics, custom magnets & >MeV X-ray systems
  - Sim, design, fab and testing of high power RF structures
  - Custom instrumentation with vac-compatible manufacturing
  - Cryogenic engineering
  - 9MeV Radiography/CT services



Turn-key accelerator





9MeV FLEX Linac Services



Custom Magnets



Brazed linac

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DARPA - Inverse Compton scattering source





White room manufacturing of copper

# Introduction- SRF beam line absorbers



- Motivation: Long range wakefields at high currents can strongly affect the accelerator beam dynamics via higher order modes(HOM). As machines move to higher currents, higher bunch charges and shorter bunches, problem becomes more pronounced.
- Solution: HOM dampeners which preserve fundamental
  - Waveguide, loop/antenna-couplers, beam line absorber (BLA)





Argonne - APS WR284 Waveguide loads for SPX CM Technology: Soldering + EBW (St Gobain Hexoloy)



18kW high power tests of SiC at KEK in collaboration with Toshiba Energy Systems Technology: SiC



BLA developed by DESY/Kubrina Lumina (Poland) Kubrina Lumina supplied x35 BLA assemblies to LCLS-II Technology: Brazed 80K AlN (Sienna STL-150D)





JLab prototype waveguide-load developed for Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin Technology: Brazed (Sienna STL-100HTZ)





BNL LDRD three high power 308mm ID BLAs Technology: Shrink fit SiC (Coorstek SC-35)

# Introduction: Non-SRF examples





Choke-Mode Cavity Full Scale Structure 1.8 m long





Choke-mode C-band NCRF structure for Spring-8 10,000+ cells KEK & Mistubishi Heavy Industries Technology: SiC (CERASIC) + Spring clips





Gyrotron beam tunnel to suppress parasitic Oscillations- Thales Technology: BeO/SiC(6040) + brazing

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Beam line absorber assembly requirements:

1.	Amenable to bonding to a water-cooling circuit	
2.	Good thermal conductivity	
3.	Toughness/no cracking: integrity during fabrication and under load	Conventional-specification
4.	Broadband RF absorption characteristics	
5.	Minimize beam-induced electrostatic charging/finite DC surface conductivity	
6.	UHV compatible/low outgassing	Accelerator-specifications
7.	No dust/particulate generation	
8.	Stable against high energy radiation	

Additional considerations

- Niche application with limited demand: supply and quality issues
- Ceramic variability: small RF coupons can be different than large, full-scale parts
- Establishing specifications and qualification methods requires lab support
- High power testing to failure is valuable for risk mitigation but expensive



- Cold Spray: corrosion or wear resistance for repair and mitigation, dimensional restoration of mating surfaces like flanges
- Development challenges:
  - Nozzle clogging
  - High ceramic loading: feedstock  $\neq$  coating composition
  - Low porosity w/o expensive He usage









# Principle of process





Brazed assembly



Cold spray ID with Al/SiC composite – Centerline medium pressure system



ID coating on copper



Post-spray machining



Metallurgical Analysis



SEM Analysis



Pillbox measurement 3.0Ghz, Rs = 16m 2023- Nuclear Physics Workshop



Outgassing test: rate of rise Q= 6E-7 mbar L/s



- General: Domestic supplier of beamline-ready RF load assemblies with strict <u>quality and schedule</u> control
  - Medical device manufacturer: modern engineering drawing, material handling and process documentation
  - In-house design, manufacturing, inspection and testing capabilities
- **Specific**: Lossy internal diameter coating method which eliminates precision/cost of shrink fit ceramics
  - Year 1 observations: flat coupons do not capture process of ID spraying
  - Damage to brazed knife edges during spraying

Phase II Objectives			
Design and fabrication of water- cooled BLA housing	Brazed assembly with RF metal vac seals		
Coupon level cold spray studies	Based on EIA 3 1/8" standard		
Cold spray BLA housing	Based on EIA 3 1/8" standard		
RF testing	Low and high power		
Vacuum testing	Outgassing rate of assembly, RGA spectrum		



- Asymmetric 591MHz EIC eSR cryomodule: 40kW/cavity HOM power
  - BNL designed, fabricated and tested prototype R-154mm BLA based on shrink-fit SC-35
    - Mature lab product developed, limited commercial opportunity
  - Self-heating of R75mm BLA above water-cooling heat transfer threshold
    - Self heating of SC-35 depends on variable RF property data
    - Potential for novel, system level solution including lossy dielectric with lower self-heating and/or broadband resistive BLA via cold spray





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# <sup>10</sup> Comparison vs shrink-fit SiC

Coorstek UltraSiC GI(SC-35): Direct sintered SiC loaded with graphite

– Similar products: Saint Gobain-Hexoloy SG; 3M EkaSiC-P; etc.

– Oil & Gas: Dry-running bearing for extreme environments

Reducing cost requires understanding established costs drivers





Figure 13. Seal face deformation after shrink fitting



Metrology: CMM and 3D surface topography

X18 SC-35 cylinders: [3,5,10]mm WT

Property	Specification	Measured: min/max	Status
OD-LSQ	3.031" ± 0.001	[3.03113.0315]	Pass
OD– Min Circ	3.031" ± 0.001	[3.03123.0318]	<mark>Pass</mark>
Cylindricity	0.001"	[0.00020.0004]	<mark>Pass</mark>
Roughness	32u″	[814]	Pass



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- NCSU AIF: Large chamber SEM with variable pressure imaging (charging)
  - Secondary electron imaging: Topographic features & pore distribution
  - Backscatter electron imaging: graphite distribution











# <sup>12</sup> Cleaning & particulate shedding

- Contaminate and particulate free BLAs critical to UHV beamline operation near SRF cavities
- Particulate count testing performed in ISO5 hood according standards:
  - ASTM E2042/2042M Standard Practice for Cleaning and Maintaining Controlled Areas and Clean Rooms
  - ISO-14644-2 Monitoring to provide evidence of cleanroom performance related to air cleanliness by particle concentration
- 0.3um and 5um particle channels monitored sampled at 2.8L/min for 1 min w/ Top gun ionizer blow off gun
- Particle count high: improvements to cleaning and blow-off procedure needs



RadiaBeam BLA cleaning procedure



Particle counting in soft-wall clean hood



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#### <sup>13</sup> Vac outgassing tests



- Load cylinders into vacuum chamber and conductively heat with 4" wafer heater
  - All equipment in hand: pump cart with RGA, heater assembly, EPICS data logging system etc)
  - Assembly and commissioning scheduled for Sept 2023



# <sup>14</sup> In-house high power testing

- High power testing of stainless 3D printed spiral vacuum load w/ 50MW C-band pulsed power station
  - Convection cooling (pulsed operation)
  - ~9 hours of conditioning, .047 MW to 8.1 MW peak power [20Hz]
  - Monitored temperature and vacuum
- Max VSWR at full power: 1.2:1 w/ no circulator





RadiaBeam C-Band Power Station	Power Station #2	
Modulator	M1833-2 K300	
Klystron	Canon: E37202	
RF Peak Power	50 MW	
RF Average Power	5 kW	
Pulse Length (max)	1 µs	
PRF	100 Hz	
Frequency	5712 ± 5 MHz	

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#### <sup>15</sup> **RF testing**



#### Rectangular to circular mode converter needed for BLAs



C-band WR187 TE01 to TM01 mode launcher (1.872" OD)







# <sup>16</sup> High power testing at Radiabeam



- BNL large diameter SC-35 BLA: 5.7dBm/mm<sup>3</sup>
- CST transmission model development
  - 3mm WT SiC with water cooling
  - 5MW peak, 1uS pulse length, 0.01% duty (500W ave)
  - Absorbed: 193W, (3.4 dBm/mm<sup>3</sup>)
  - Reflected: 52W
  - Transmitted: 255W
- Thermal model development with: 10kW/m<sup>2</sup> K wall cooling





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### <sup>17</sup> Nuclear Physics community - Discussion



- Testing standard: clear, unambiguous test results for dry UHV RF loads?
  - How to address variability of broadband RF data?
- Market demand signal from Lab??
  - Internal Lab development versus commercial BLAs
    - LCLS-II BLA: purchased from Europe with Sienna Tech(US) ceramic and DESY development
    - APS-U BLA: fabricated internally
    - EIC BLA: BNL LDRD for fabrication, design and testing



- Compact BLAs: volumetric heat dissipation, lossy dielectrics with high thermal conductivity
  - Heavy ceramic loading of cold spray coatings to make into dielectric is extremely difficult
  - Outgassing from coating porosity is a challenge
  - Shrink-fit SiC BLA solution is mechanically and thermally robust
- Comprehensive testing plan for reduced diameter BLA developed
  - Cost and performance comparison between conventional ceramics and cold spray parts
  - High power tests under vacuum critical to establishing commercial product for NP community

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