

# First experiments on deep ionization of Ir, Ce and Xe atoms in local ion trap at JINR

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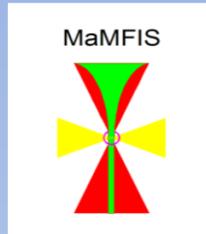
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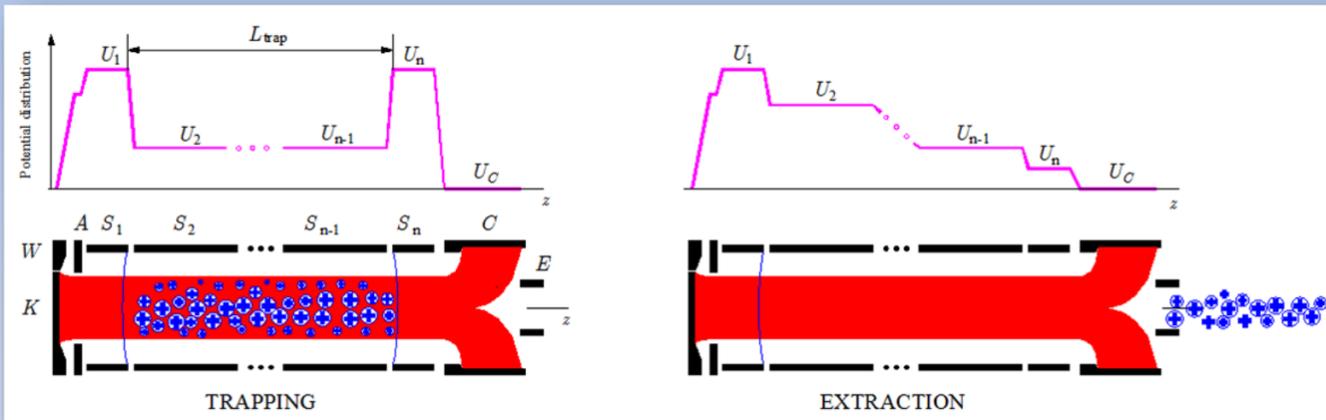
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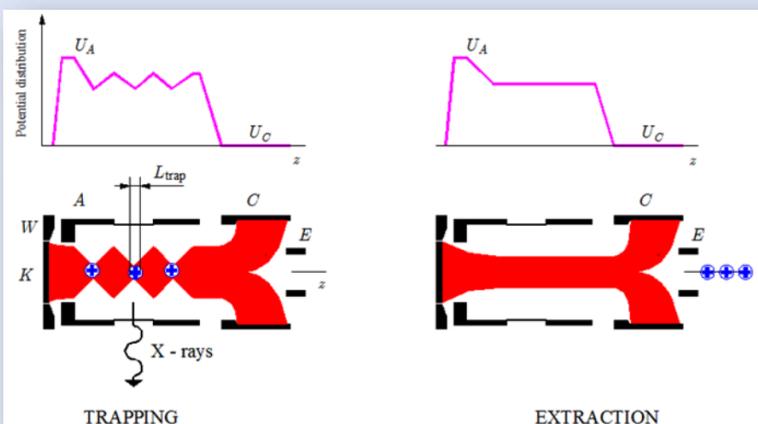


# Production of highly charged ions in electron beams (history)

**Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS),  
E. D. Donets, Dubna, 1967**



$$L_{\text{trap}} = 0.7 - 1.5 \text{ m}, j_e \sim 500 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

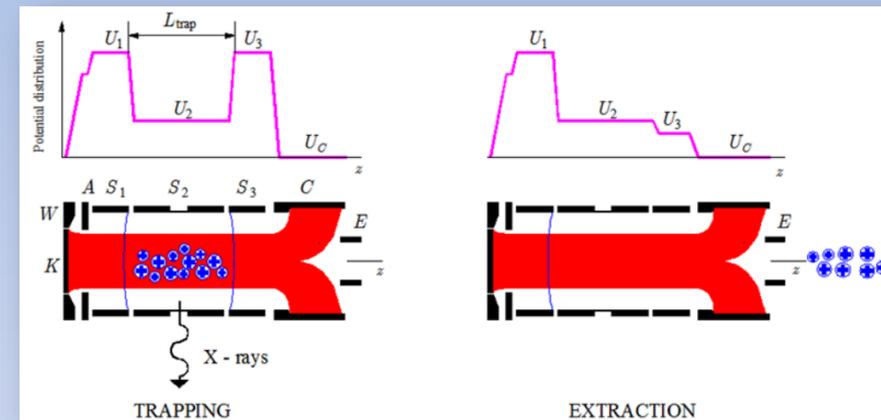


**Main Magnetic Focus Ion Source  
(MaMFIS)**

$$L_{\text{trap}} = 1 \text{ mm}$$

$$j_e > 10 \text{ kA/cm}^2$$

**Electron Beam Ion Trap (EBIT),  
M. Levine, R. Marrs, LLNL, 1986**



$$L_{\text{trap}} = 2 \text{ cm},$$

$$j_e \sim 2 \text{ kA/cm}^2$$

**K, cathode**

**W, focusing (Wehnelt) electrode**

**A, anode**

**S<sub>1</sub>, S<sub>2</sub>, ..., S<sub>n</sub>, sections of drift tube**

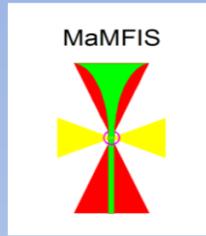
**C, collector**

**E, extractor**

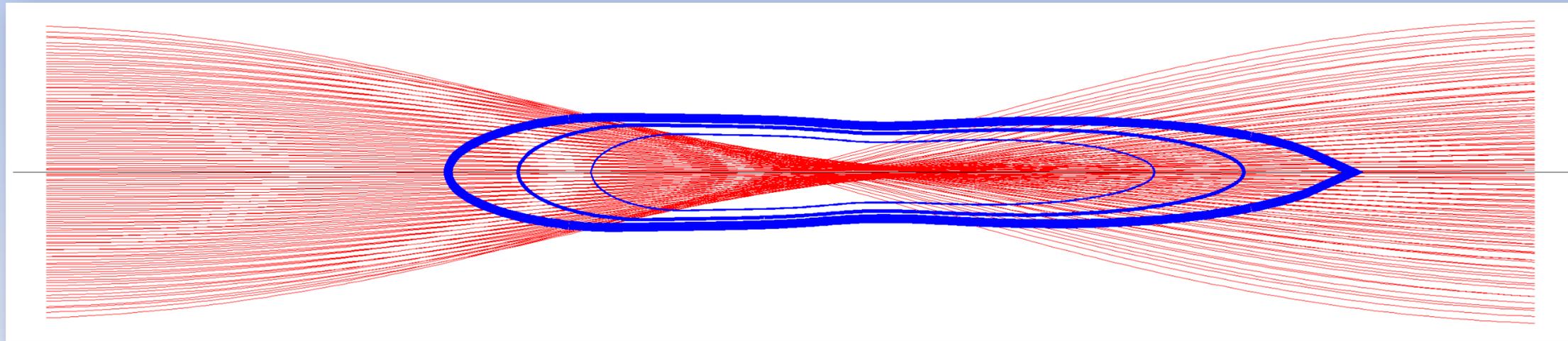
**z, axis of electron beam**

**j<sub>e</sub>, effective electron current density**

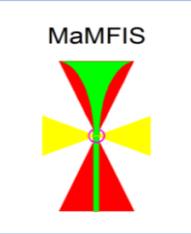
**L<sub>trap</sub>, trap length**



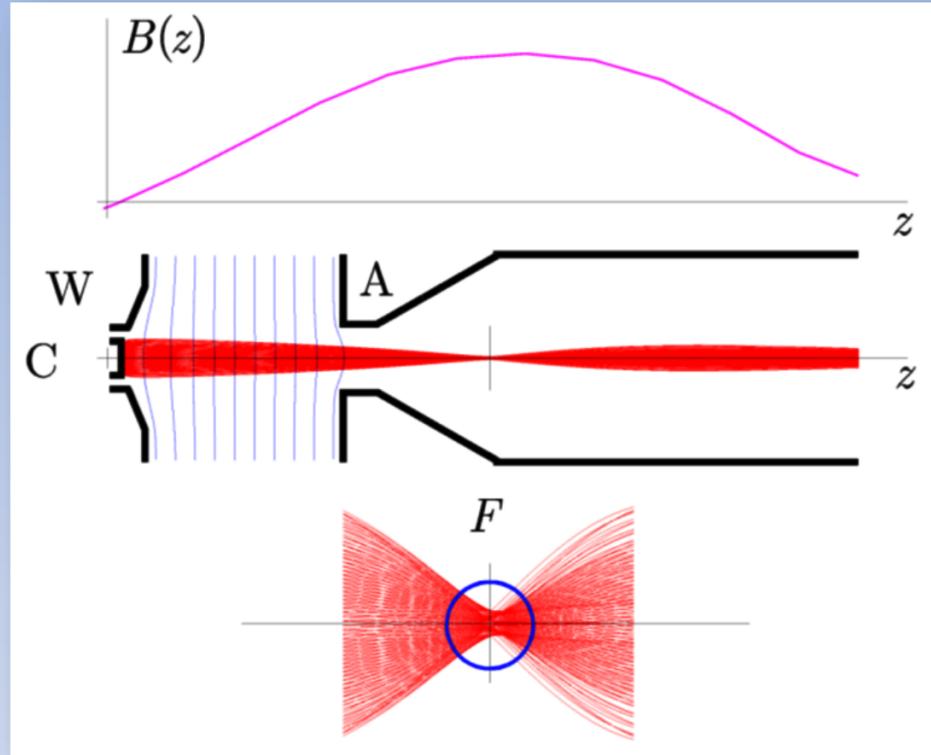
# Main Magnetic Focus Ion Source (MaMFIS)



**Electron current density  $j_e$  is the key quantity, because it determines the rate for production of highly charged ions**

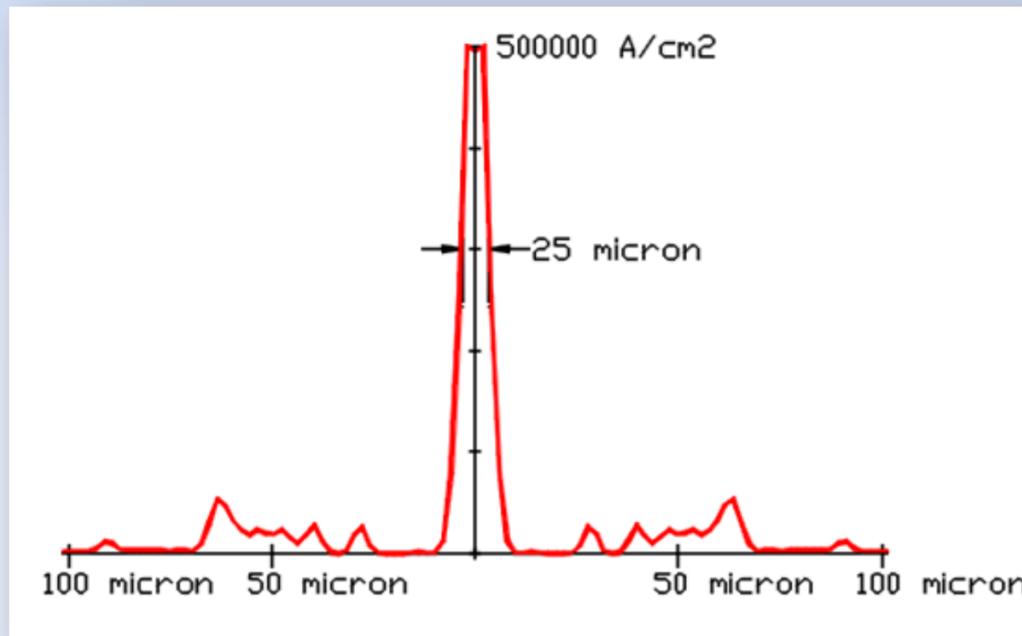


# Operation principle of MaMFIS (Single Focus)



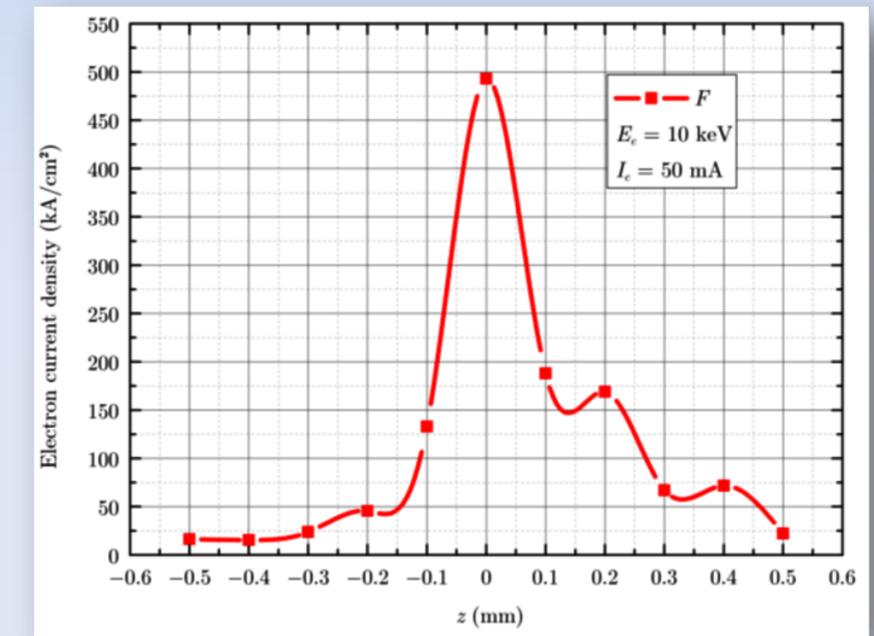
Electron beam trajectories for single-focus electron optics (theoretical estimation)

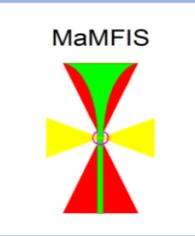
C, cathode  
 W, focusing (Wehnelt) electrode  
 A, anode  
 z, axis of electron beam  
 $B(z)$ , magnetic field distribution  
 F, magnetic focuses (local ion traps)



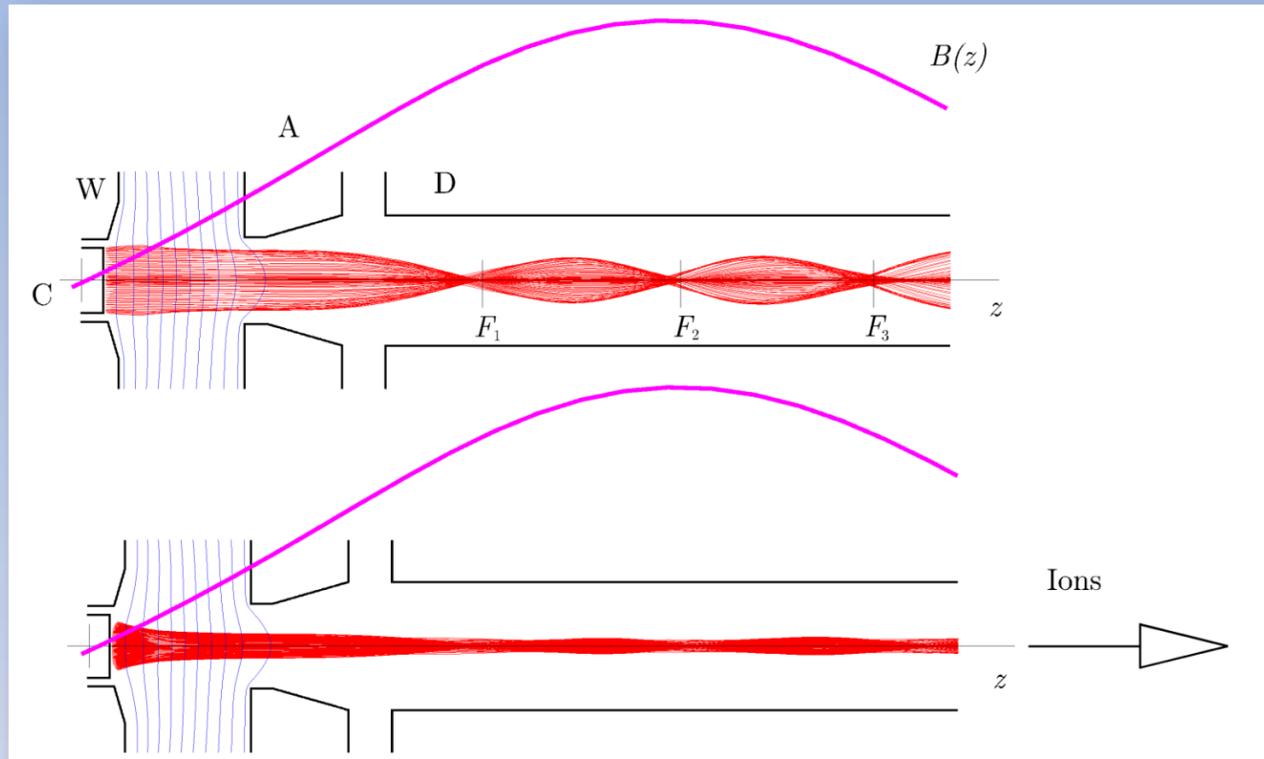
Radial (left fig.) and axial (right fig.) distributions of electron current density  $j_e$  near focus point F

The electron current density in a single focus can be extremely high!

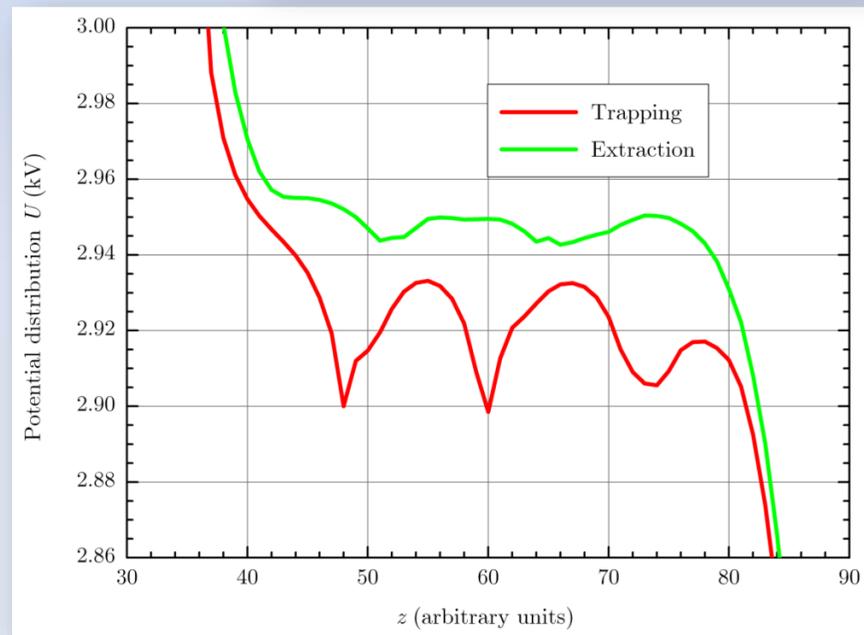




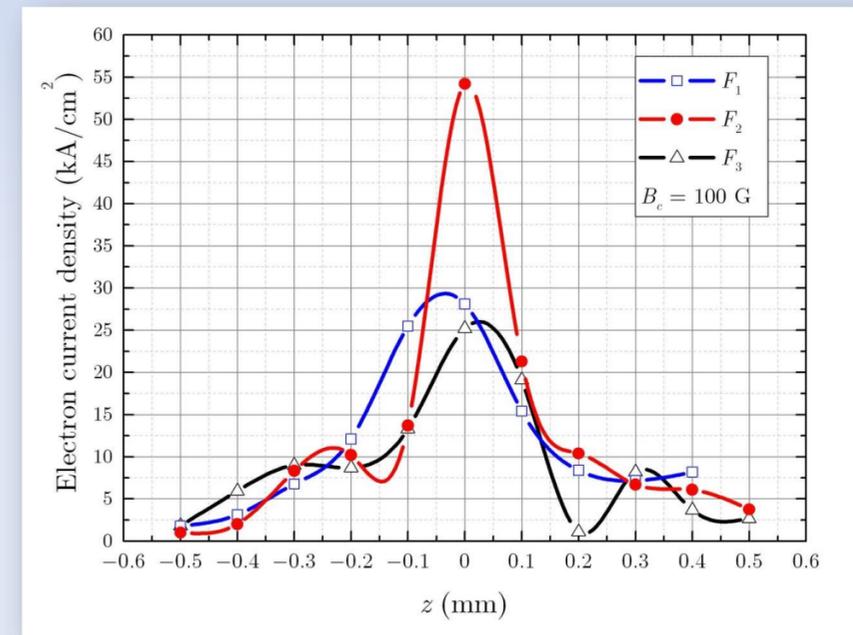
# Operation principle of MaMFIS (Three Focuses)



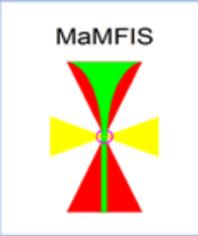
- C, cathode**
- W, focusing (Wehnelt) electrode**
- A, anode**
- D, drift tube**
- $z$ , axis of electron beam**
- $B(z)$ , magnetic field distribution**
- $F_1, F_2, F_3$ , magnetic focuses (local ion traps)**
- Effective electron current density  $j_e \sim 20 \text{ kA/cm}^2$**



**Local ion traps in a rippled electron beam**

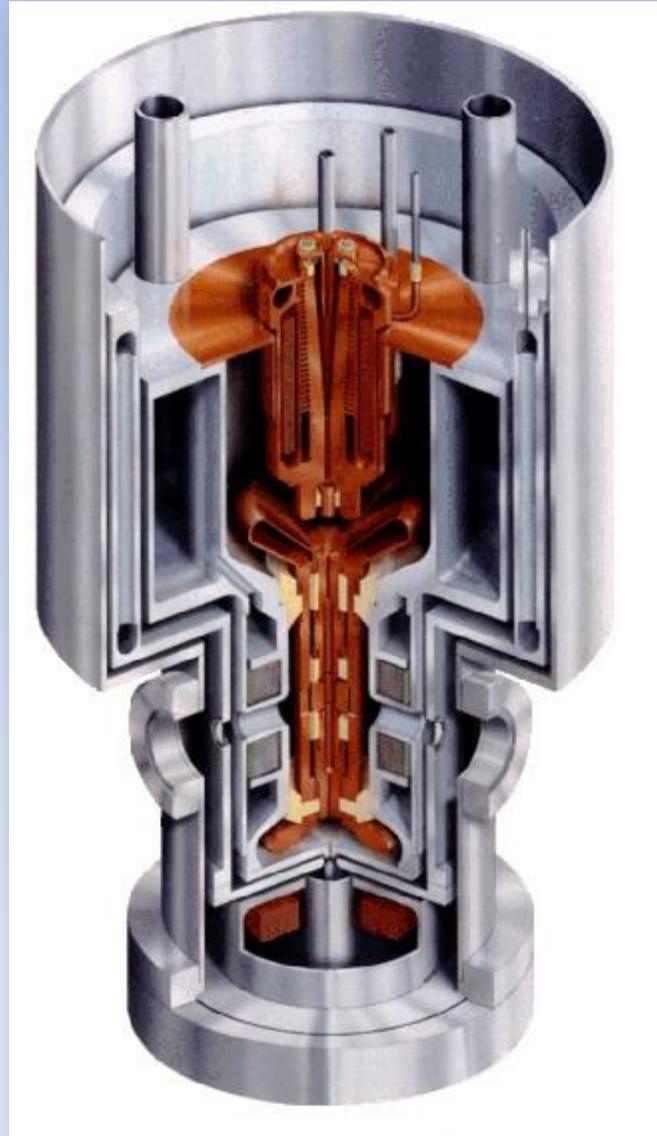


**Axial distribution of electron current density on the length of 1 mm near focuses**

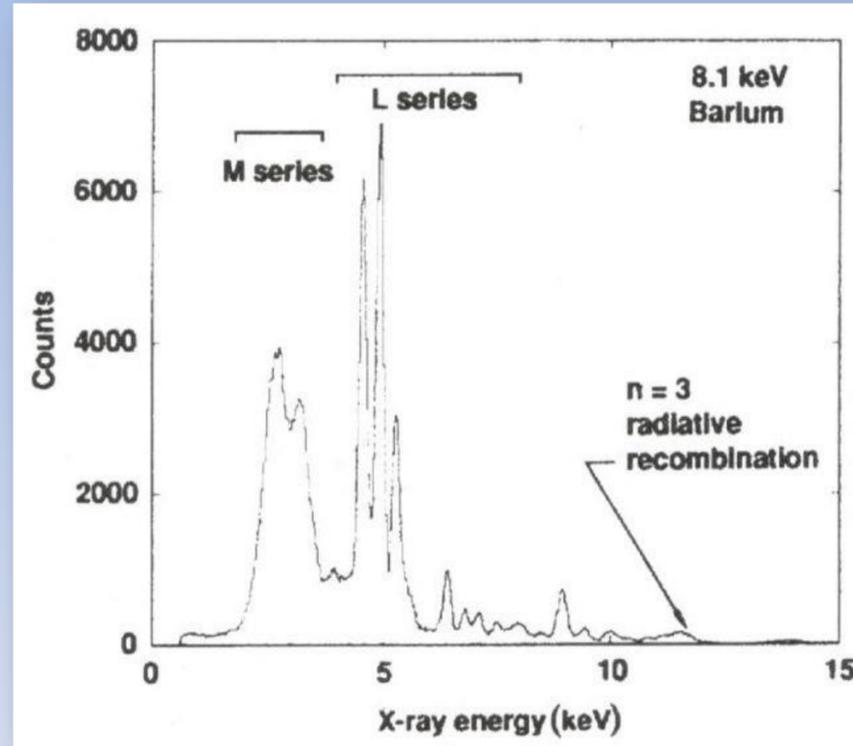


# MaMFIS-10 versus LLNL superconducting EBIT

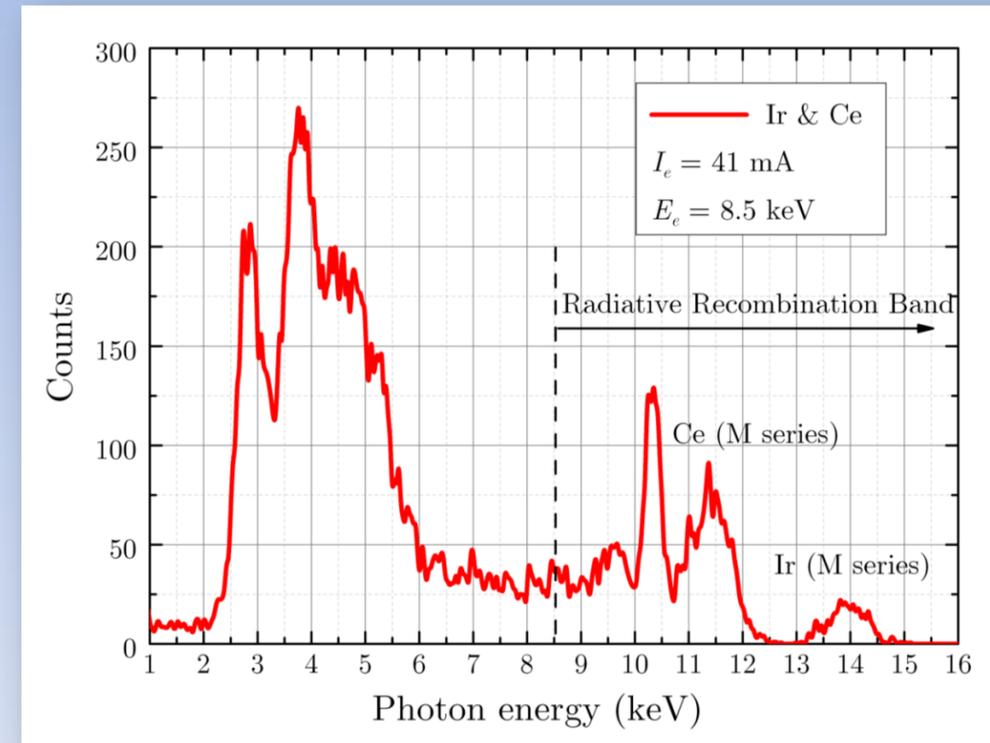
## X-ray spectra from cathode materials



LLNL EBIT



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Phys. Scripta T22, 157 (1988)

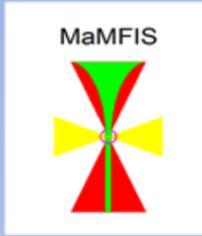


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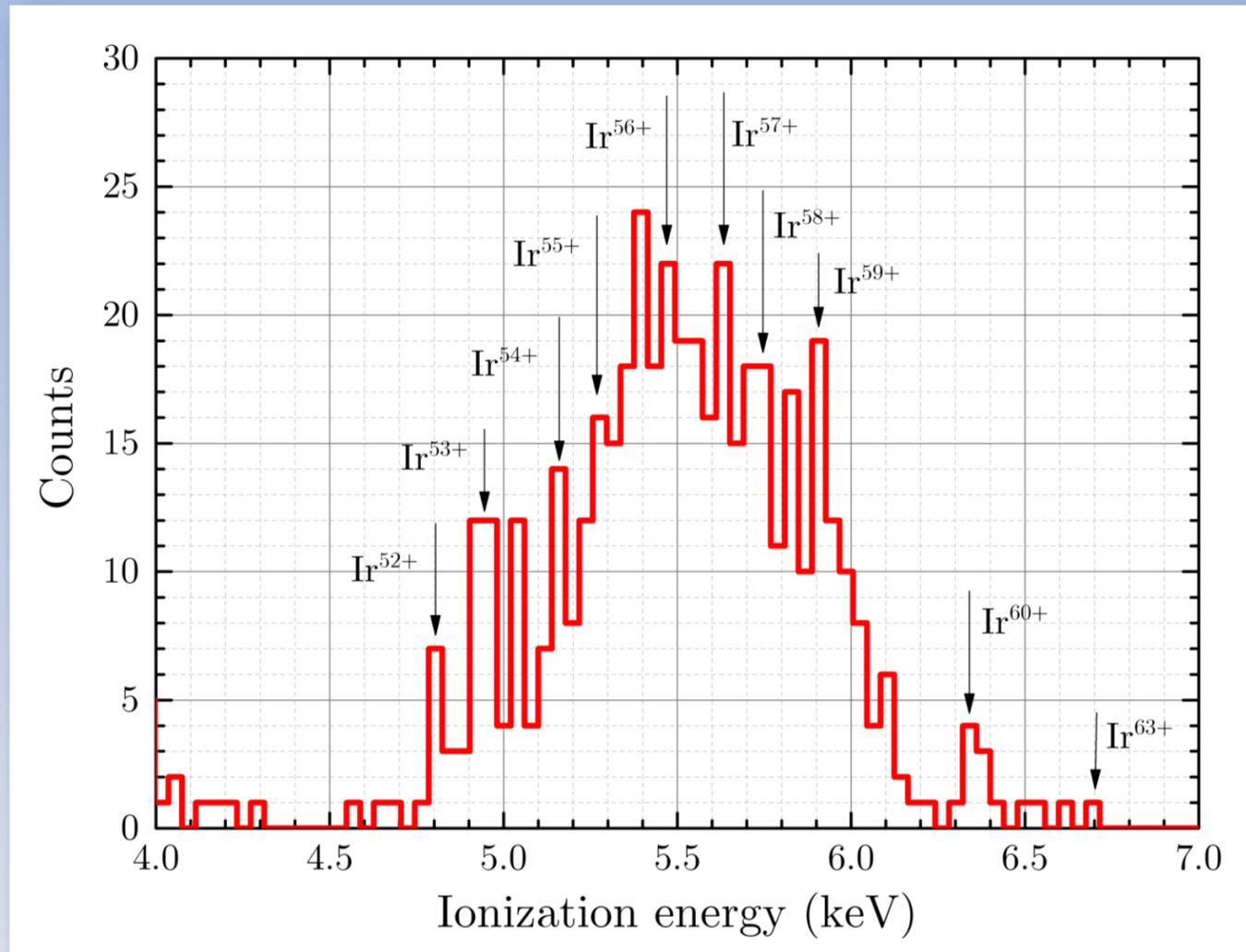


MaMFIS-10  
 $E_e$  b 10 keV  
 $I_e = 50$  mA

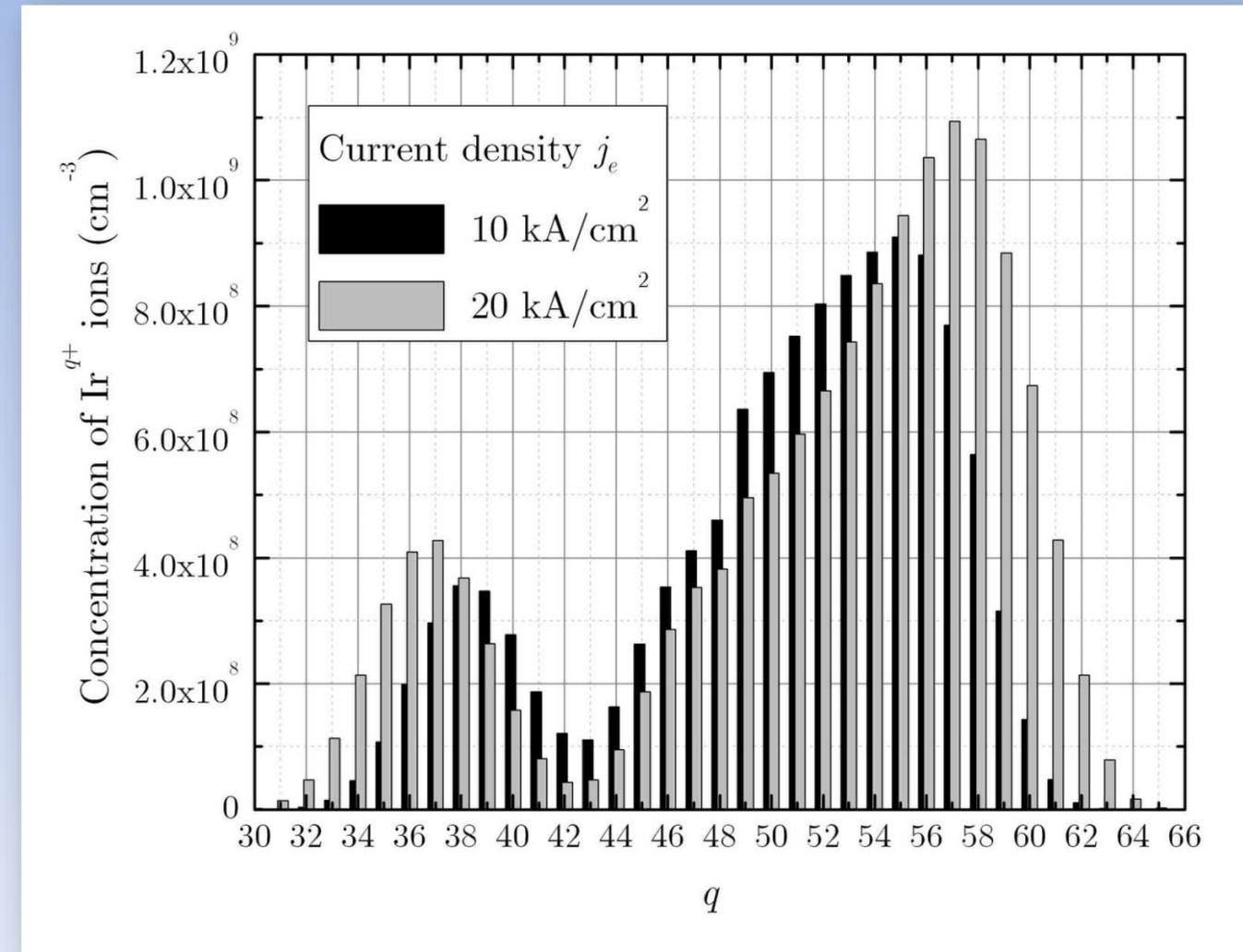
First run: Justus-Liebig-University Giessen, 2013 6



# MaMFIS-10: Estimation of electron current density

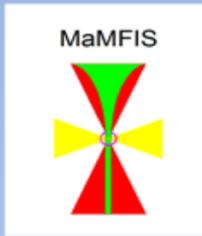


**X-ray emission due to radiative recombination into the M-shell of Ir ions (experiment)**

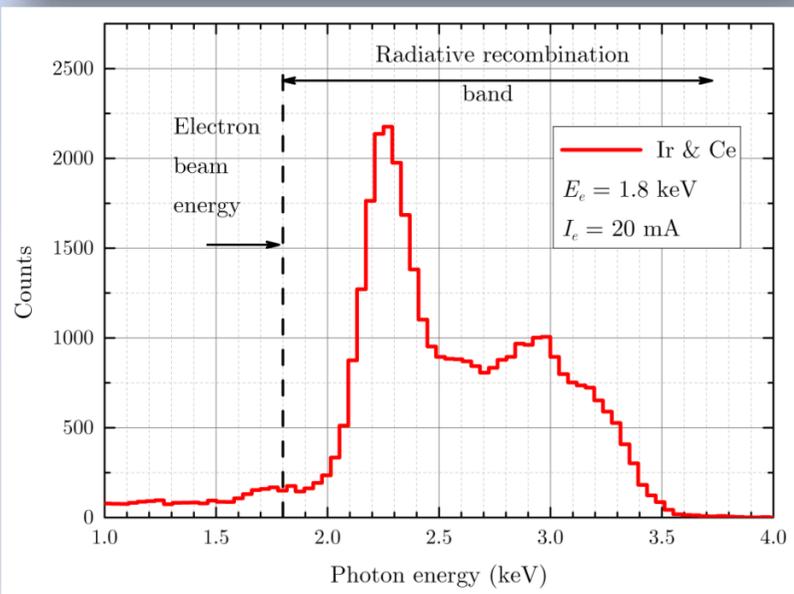


**Charge-state distributions of Ir ions for different electron current density (computer simulation)**

**Electron current density is estimated to be  $j_e \sim (10 - 20) \text{ kA/cm}^2$**



# MaMFIS family developed until now

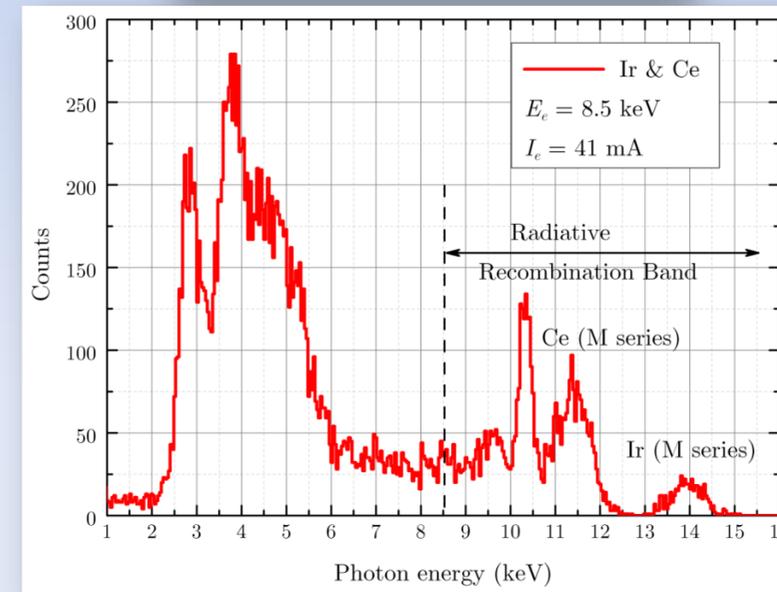


**MaMFIS-4**  
 $E_e$  b 4 keV

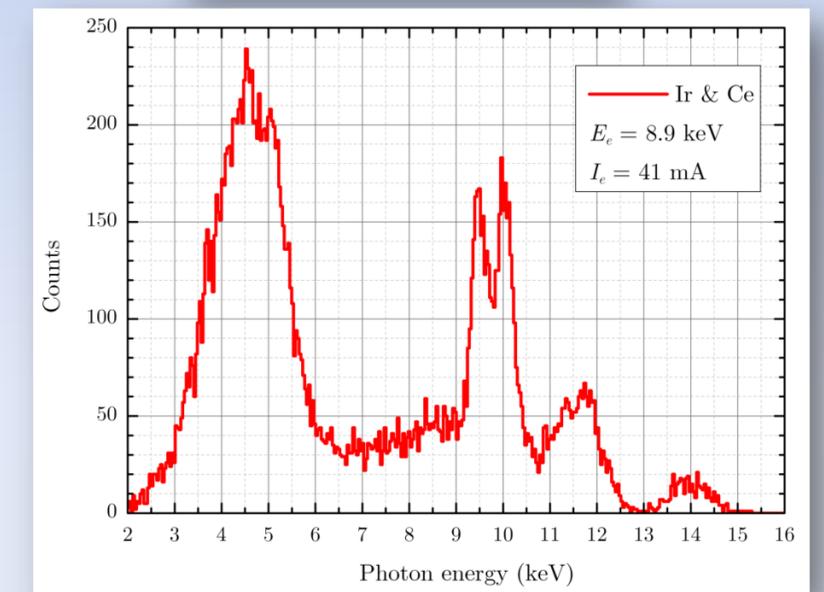


**Not yet tested**

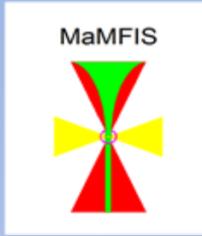
**MaMFIS-8**  
 $E_e$  b 8 keV



**MaMFIS-10**  
 $E_e$  b 10 keV



**MaMFIS-30**  
 $E_e$  b 30 keV



# MaMFIS-40 at JINR in Dubna

## Project parameters:

Electron energy  $E_e$  b 35 keV

Electron current density  $j_e$  b 20 kA/cm<sup>2</sup>

Electron current  $I_e$  b 50 mA (DC-mode)

## Realized parameters:

$E_e$  b 40 keV

$j_e$  b 20 kA/cm<sup>2</sup>

$I_e$  b 50 mA

## Aim of project:

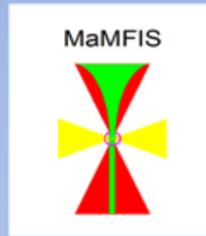
Development of MaMFIS technology for production of highly charged ions of heavy elements



First assembling of MaMFIS-40D



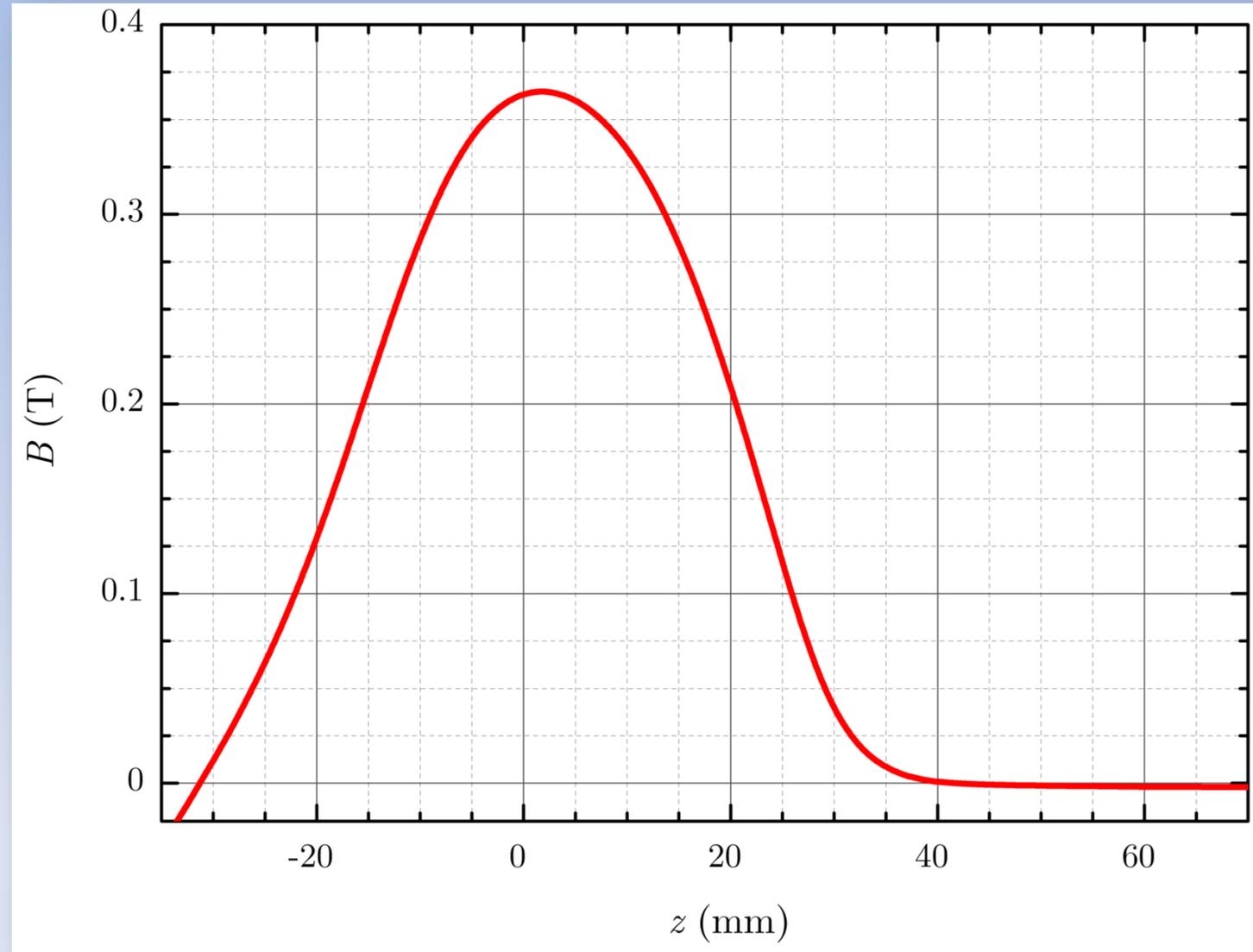
Assembling for extraction mode



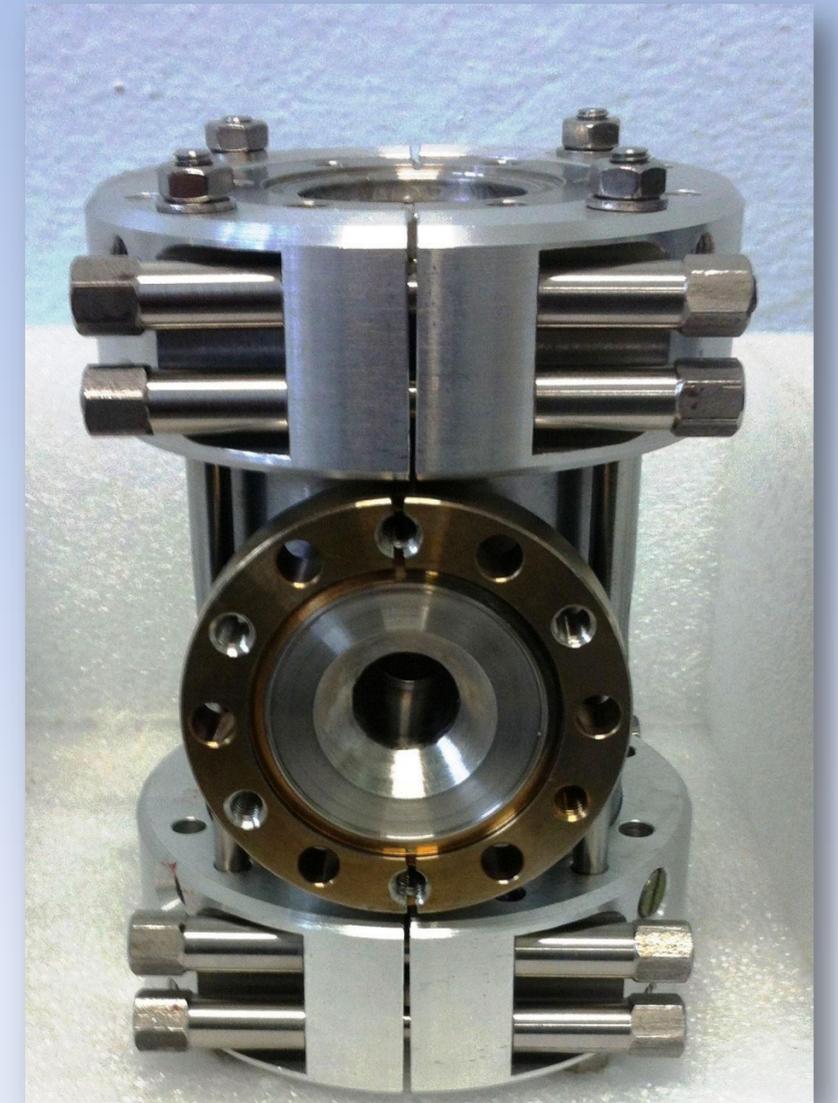
# Permanent magnet focusing system



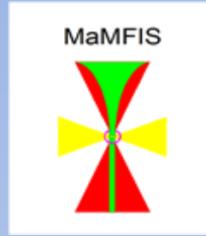
Focusing permanent magnets



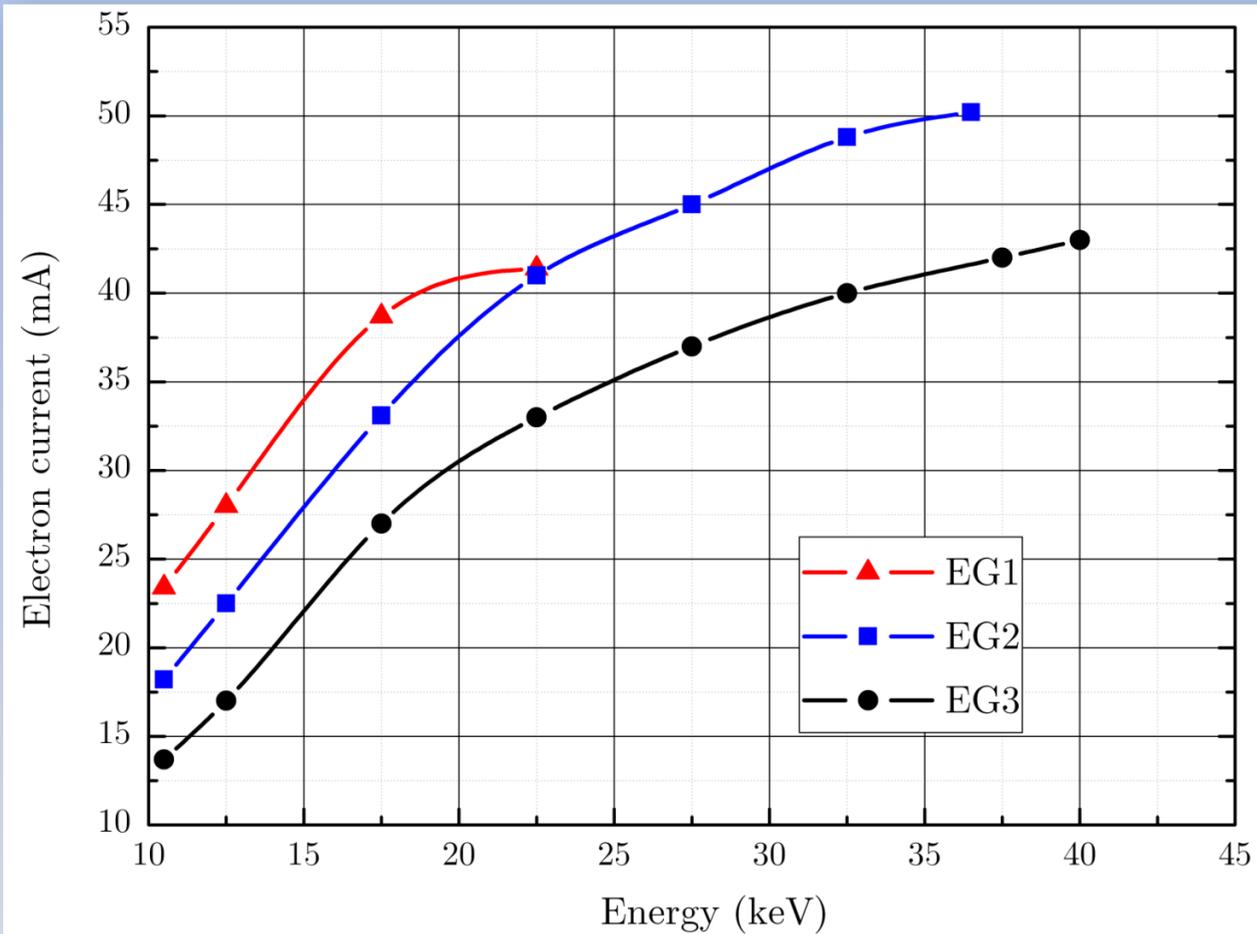
Magnetic field distribution



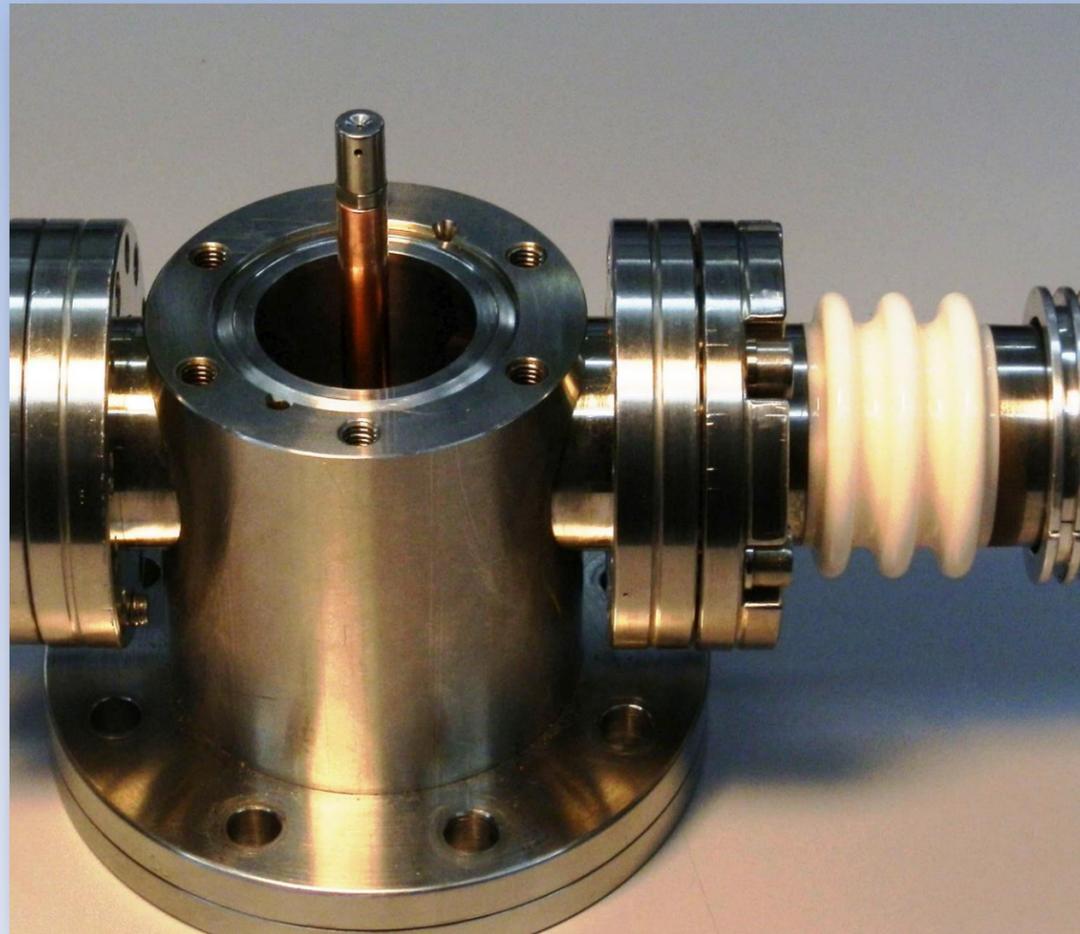
Focusing permanent magnets on ionization chamber



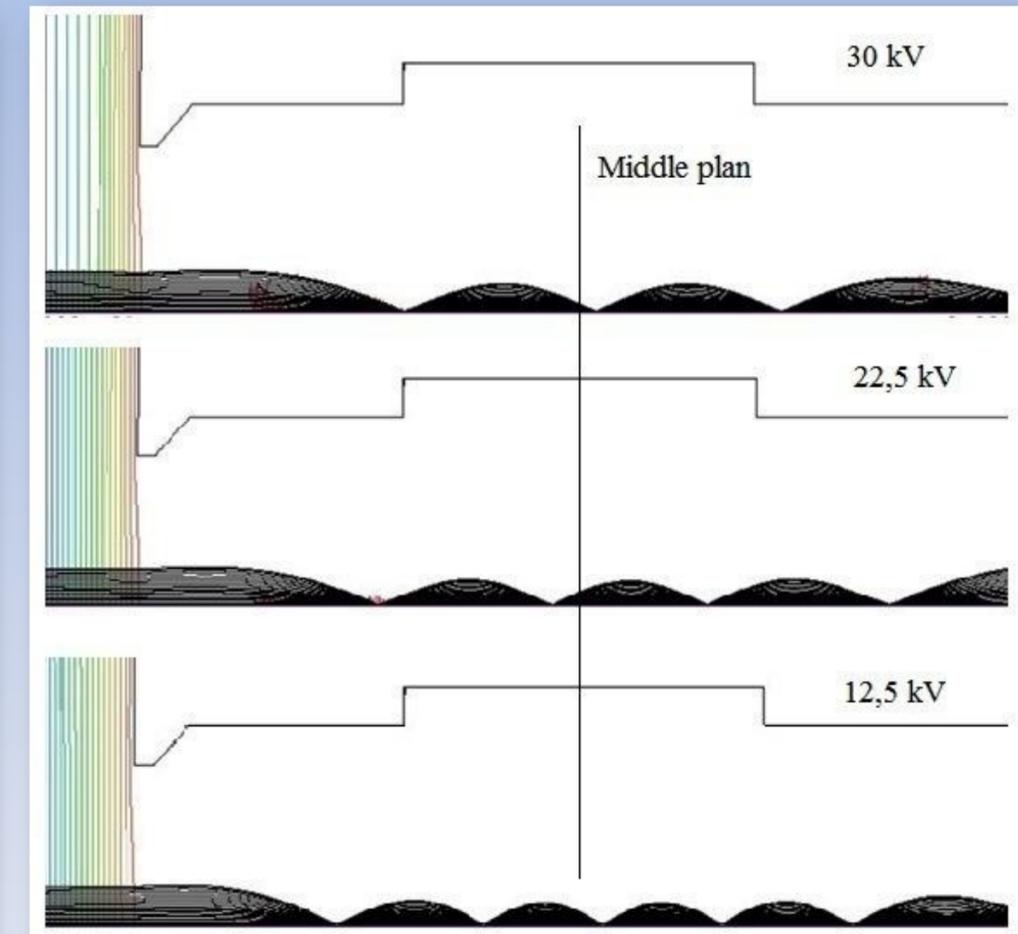
# Electron gun and its characteristics



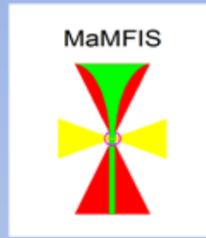
**Volt-Ampere characteristics of electron guns (EG)**



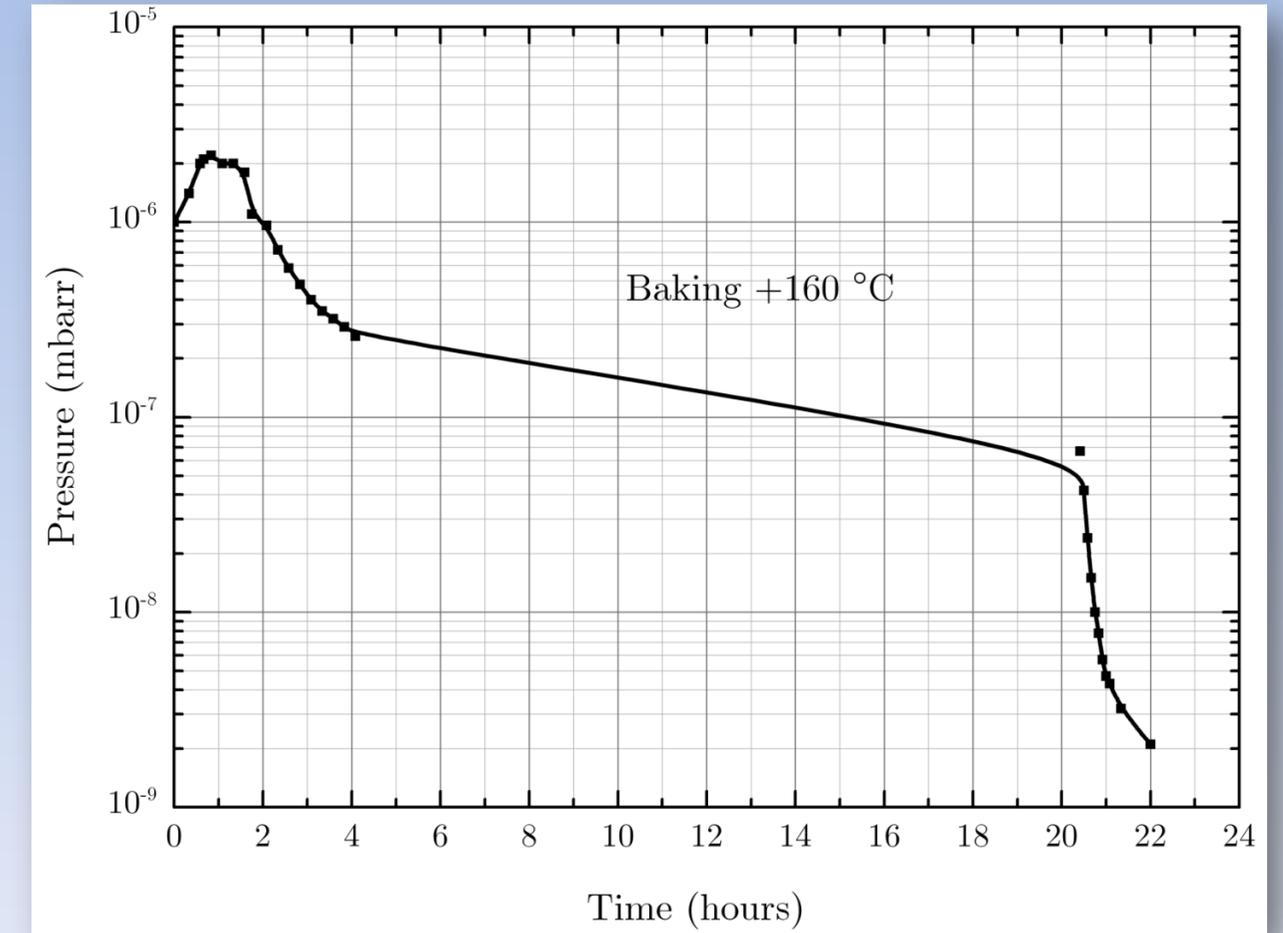
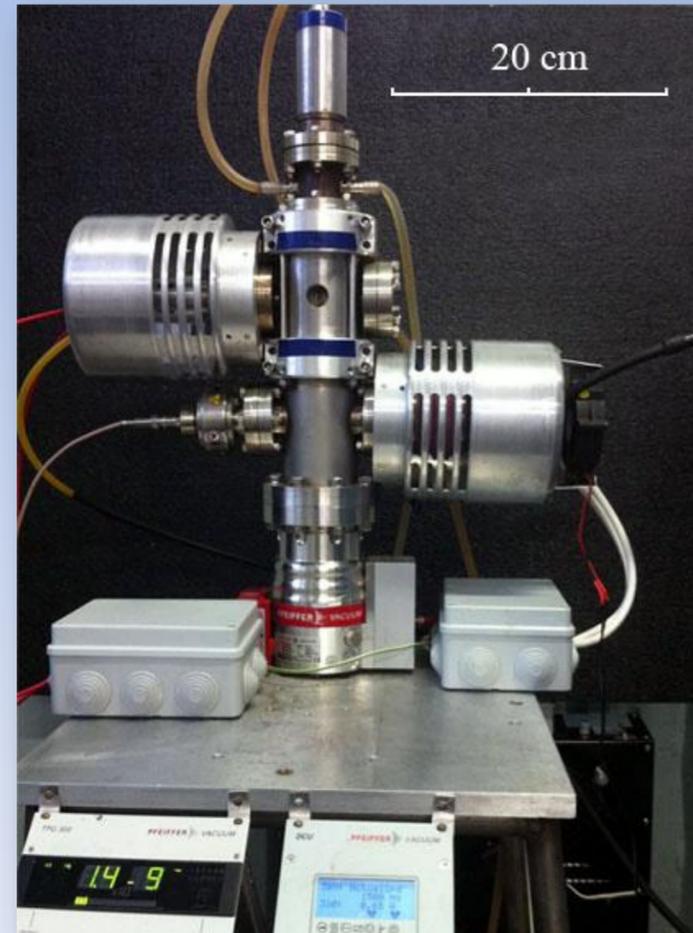
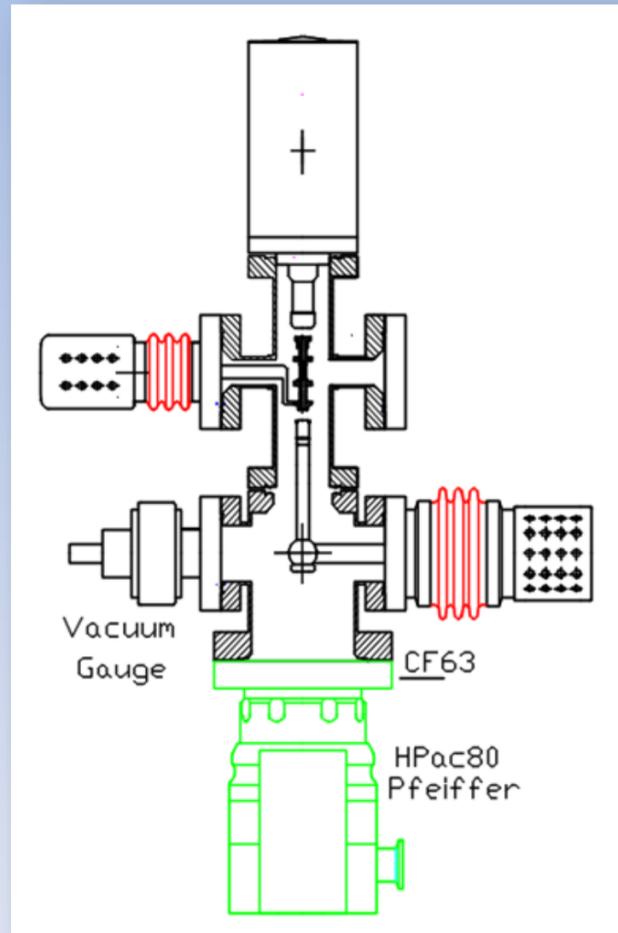
**Cathode assembly of electron gun**



**Electron beam trajectories vs. Electron energy  $E_e$**



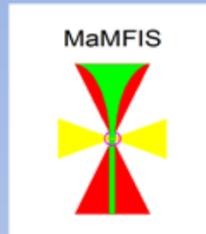
# Vacuum



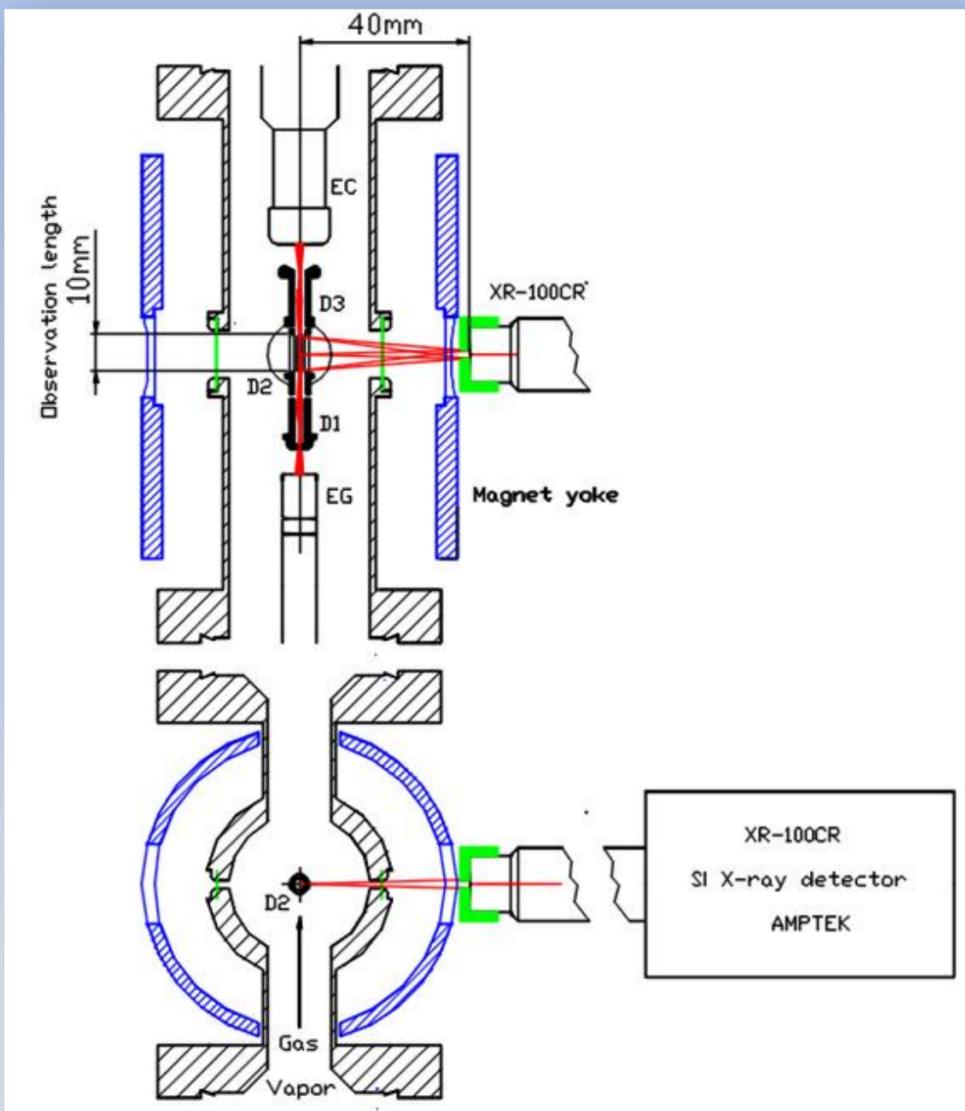
Vacuum volume < 1 litre

During operation vacuum ranges from  $10^{-9}$  to  $5 \times 10^{-8}$  mbar

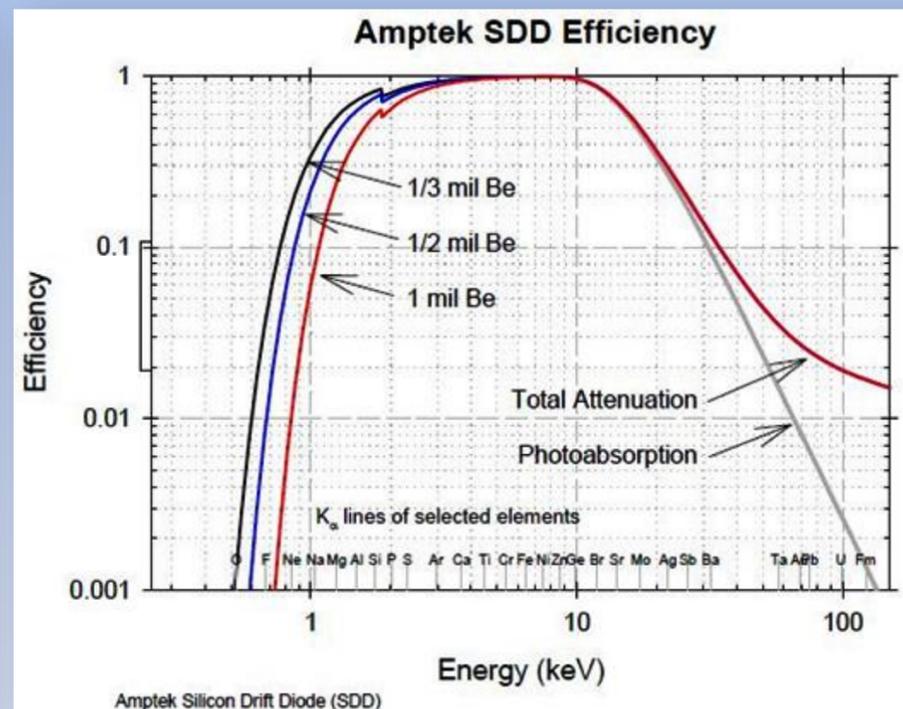
Baking procedure



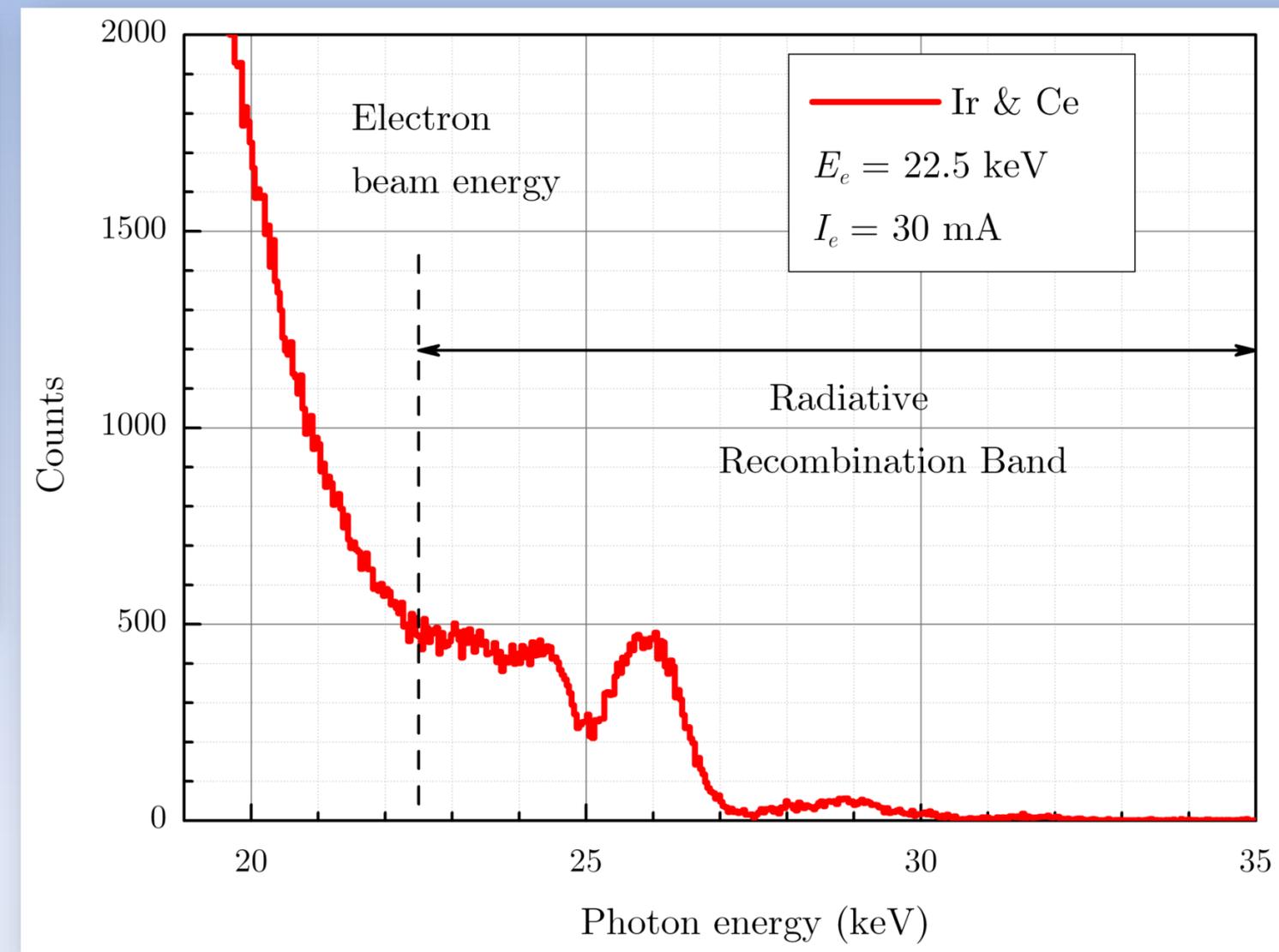
# X-ray spectroscopy



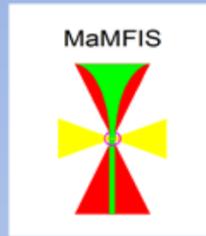
Experimental scheme



Efficiency of registration

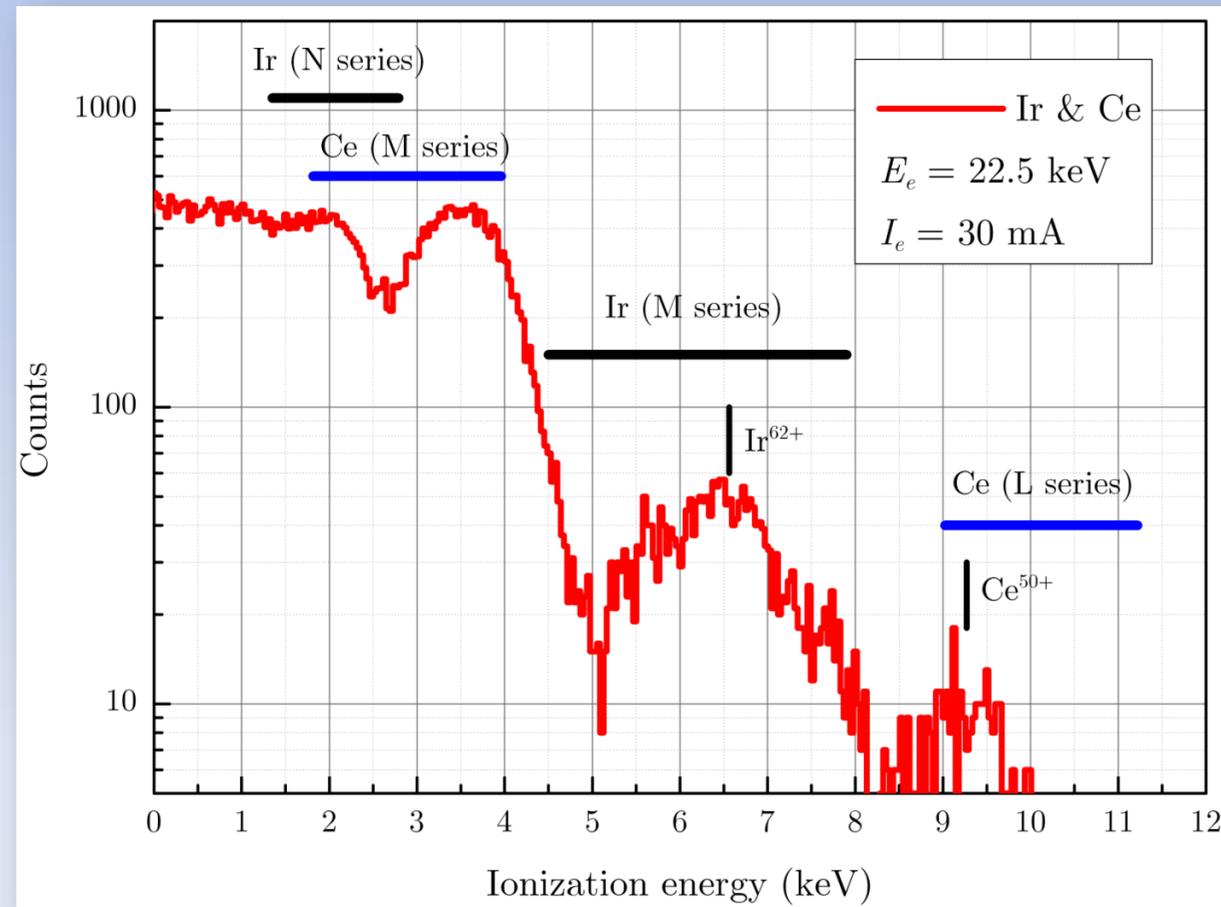
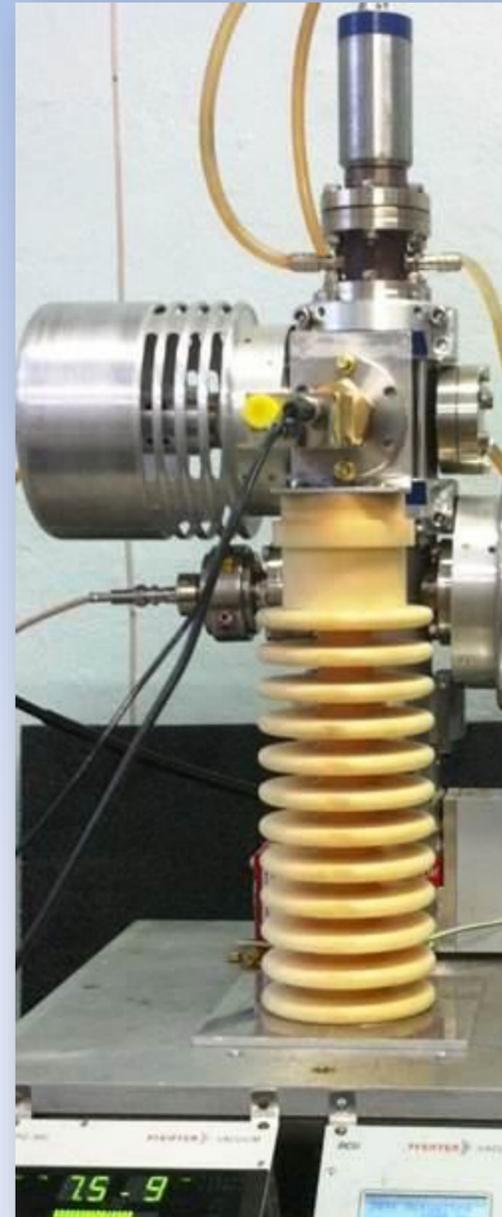


Radiation spectrum of cathode materials<sup>13</sup>

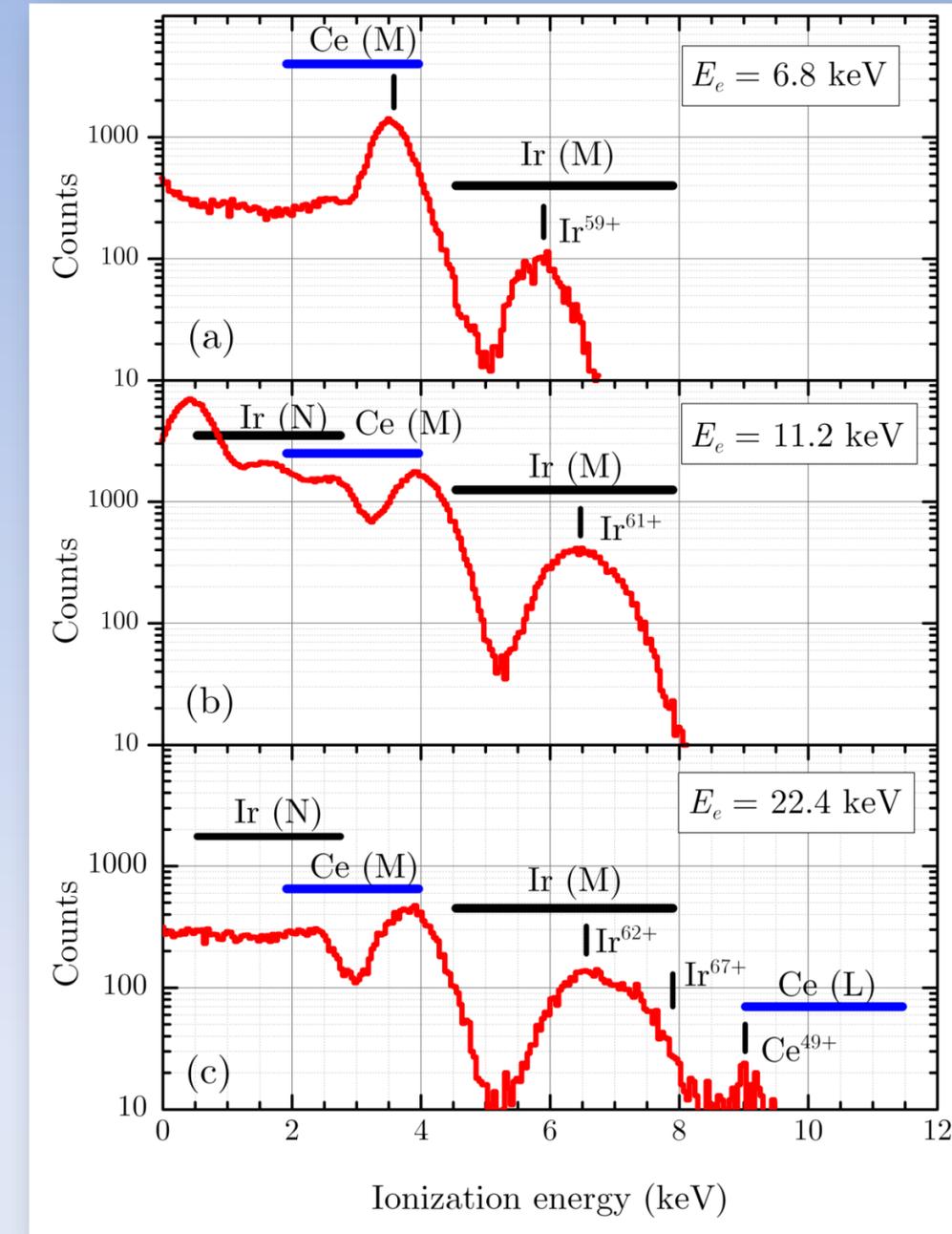


# Radiative recombination continuum

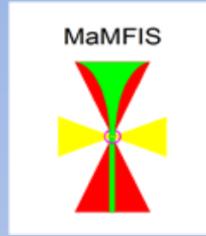
## Cathode materials (Ir & Ce)



RR spectrum for  $E_e = 22.5$  keV

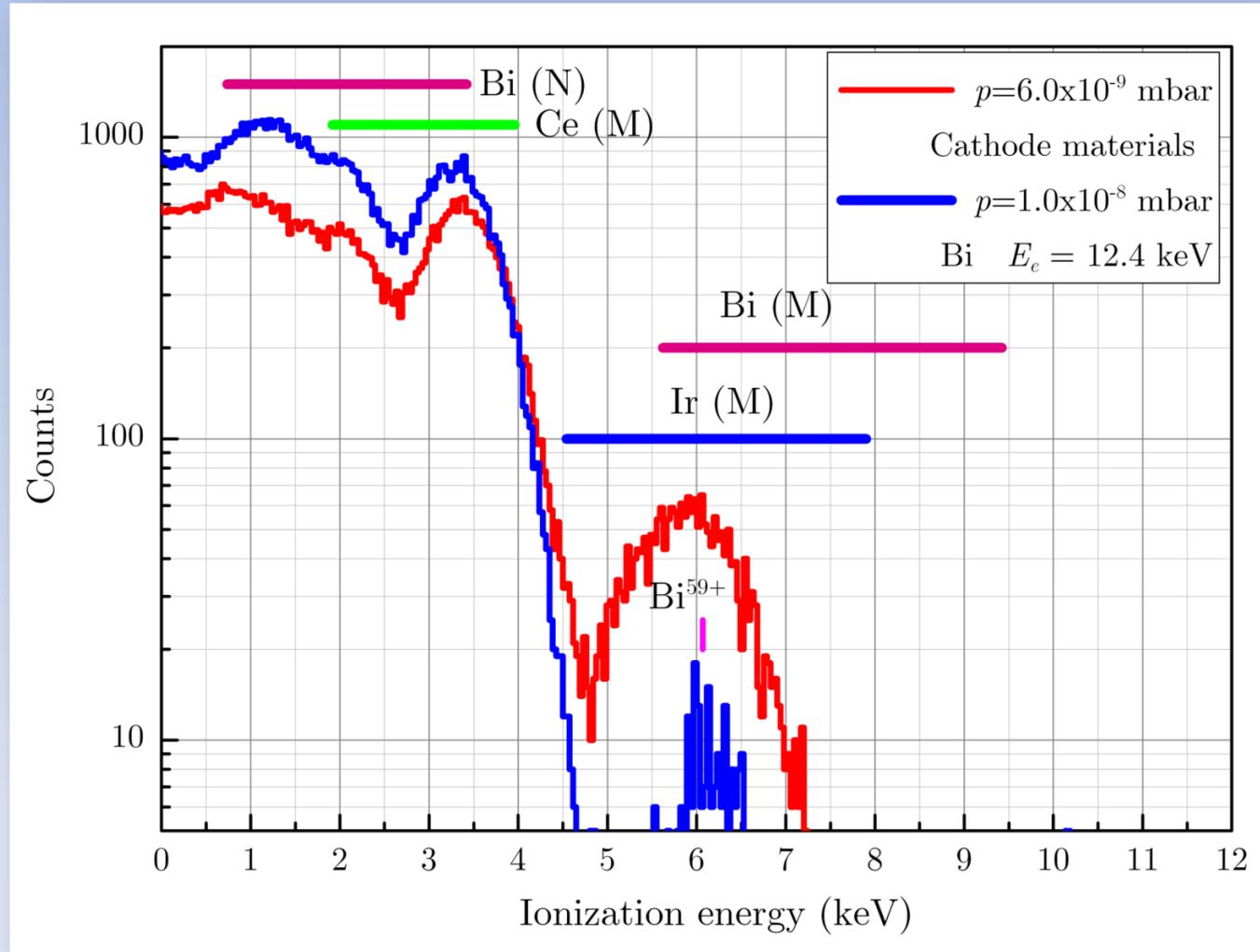


RR spectrum for different  $E_e$

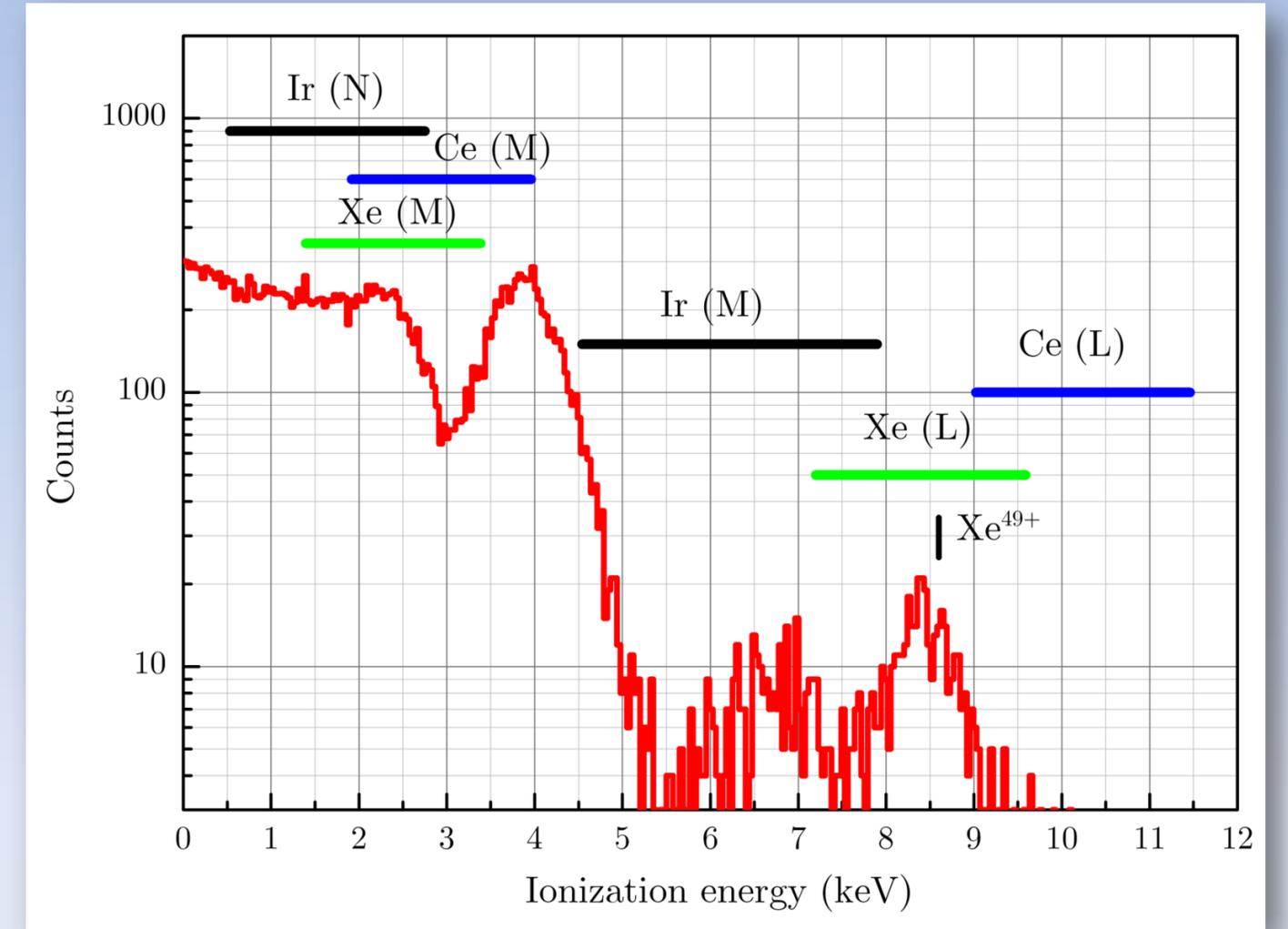


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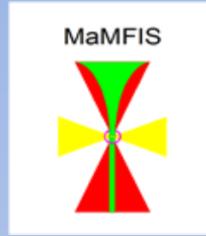
## Injected materials (Bi & Xe)



RR spectrum of bismuth (blue curve) compared to that of cathode materials (red curve)



RR spectrum of xenon



# Features and applications of MaMFIS

## *Advantages:*

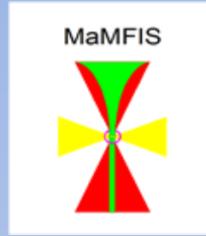
- **Highest ionization factor among the ion sources available around the world**
- **Minimum confinement time**
- **High-frequency operation**

## *Disadvantage:*

- **low intensity in pulse**

## Applications

- **Atomic physics (X-ray spectroscopy and ion-atom collisions)**
- **X-ray astrophysics and solar physics**
- **Plasma physics (magnetic fusion diagnostics)**
- **Interaction of highly charged ions with surface (secondary electron and ion emission)**
- **Secondary ion mass spectrometry**
- **Nanostructuring**



# Penning Trap experiments

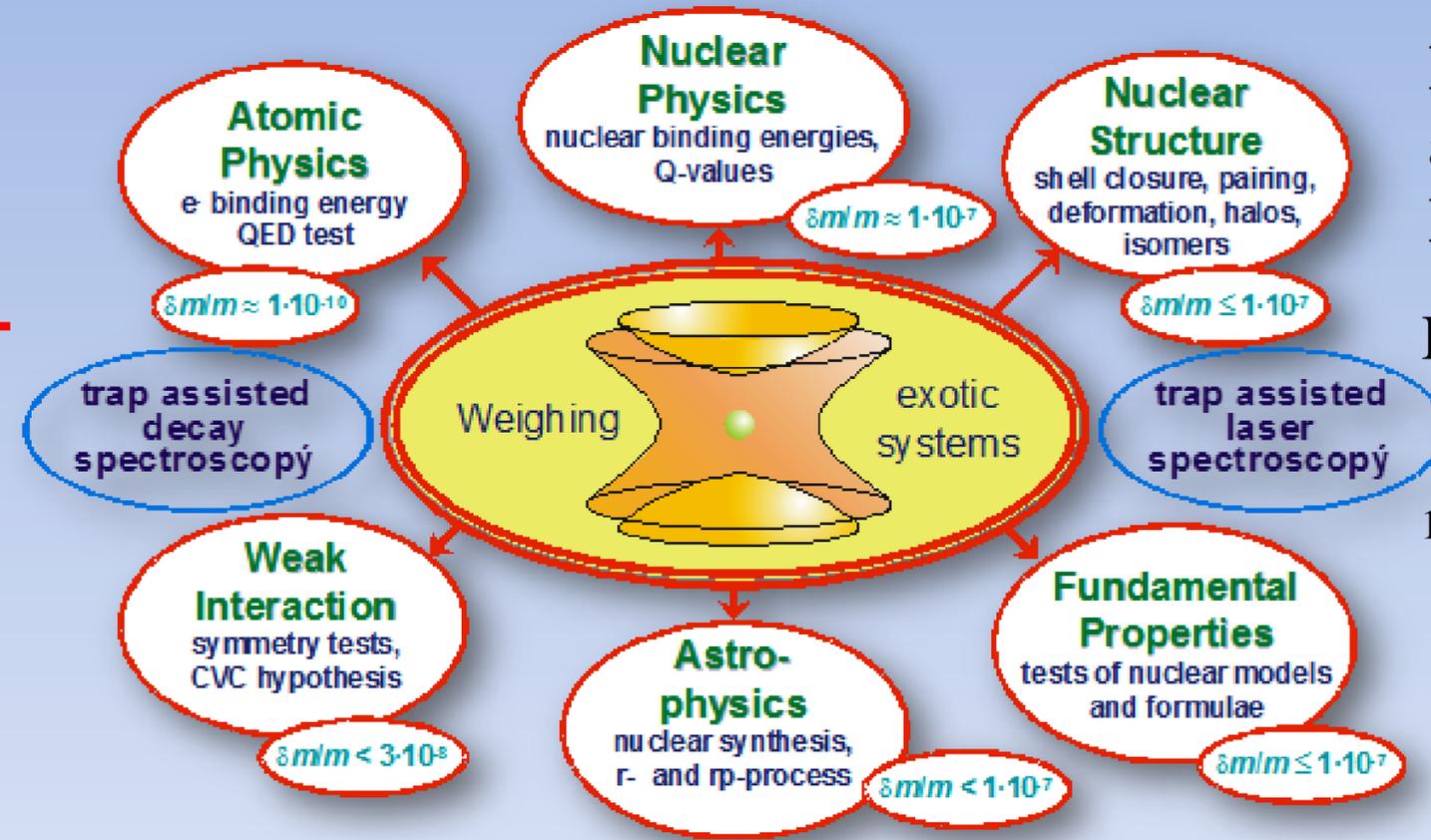
**MaMFIS as ion source for high-precision mass measurements**

**Resolution:**  $\frac{m}{\Delta m} \sim \frac{qB}{m}$

**Intensity of ions** > 1 ion/s

**MaMFIS technology perfectly fulfills the requirements**

**MaMFIS is a very efficient Charge Breeder with trap capacity of  $10^5 - 10^6$  charges, in particular, for short half-life radionuclides**



**Future Penning Trap Experiments at GSI / FAIR – The HITRAP and MATS Projects**

K. Blaum<sup>1,2</sup> and F. Herfurth<sup>1</sup> for the HITRAP and MATS Collaboration

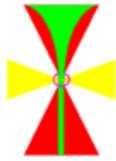
<sup>1</sup>GSI Darmstadt, <sup>2</sup>Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

**“The radioactive beam intensity spans ... from a few to over  $10^{10}$  ions/s.”**

F. Wenander, *Charge breeding of radioactive ions with EBIS and EBIT*, Int. Symposium on Electron Beam Ion Sources and Traps, April 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2010, Stockholm, Sweden

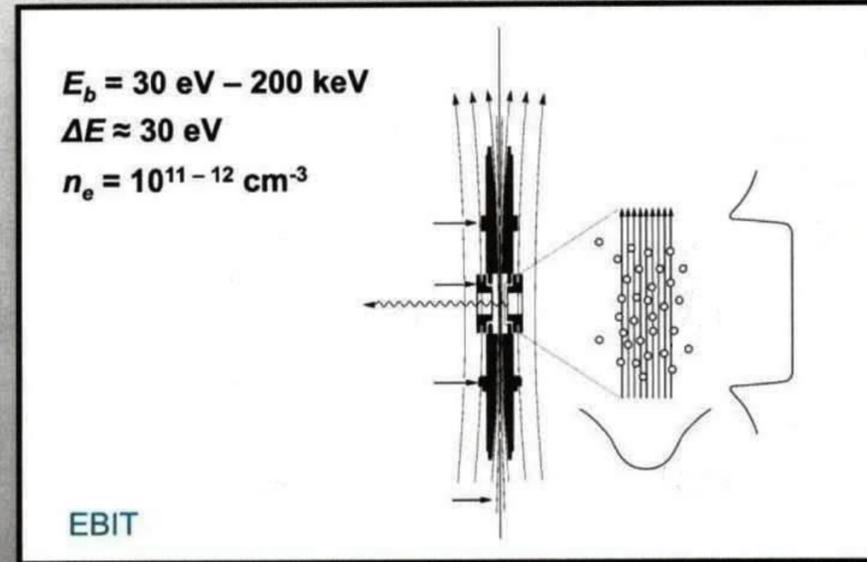
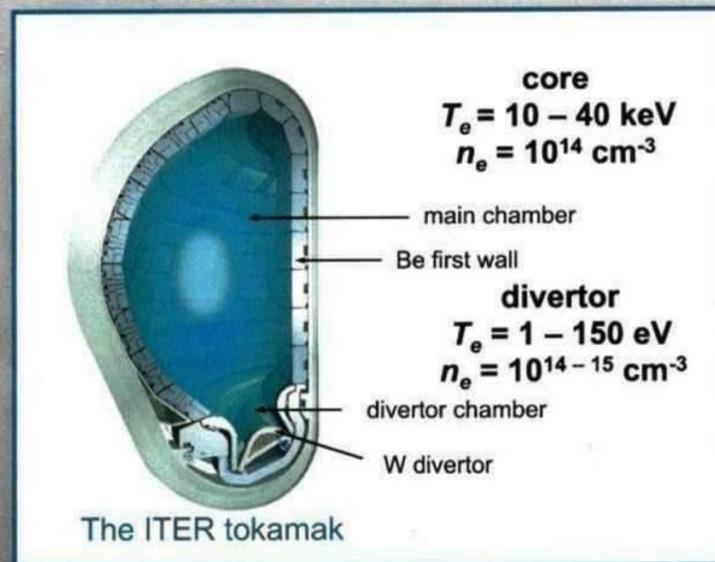
# High-density microplasma research

MaMFIS



## EBIT vs. Magnetic Fusion Plasmas

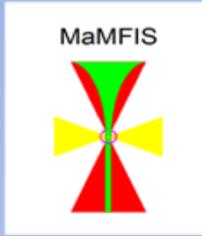
- EBIT and magnetic fusion plasmas have similar densities → similar spectral emission
- Magnetic fusion plasmas often have several ion species – EBIT plasmas have one or a few
- In fusion plasmas numerous atomic processes interact – EBITs can isolate these processes
- Fusion plasmas have bulk motions and high temperatures – EBIT plasmas are cold and stationary



**MaMFIS:**

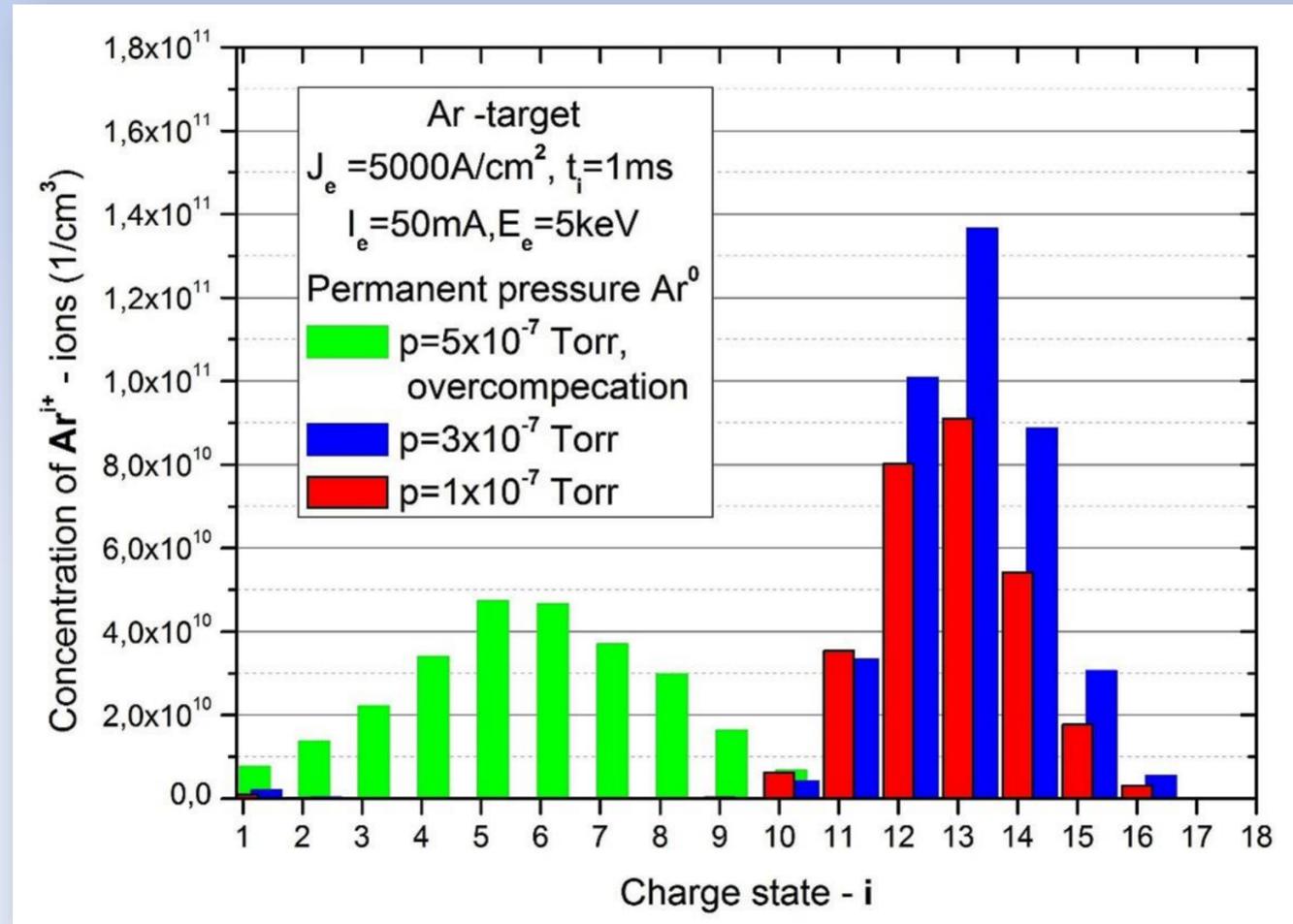
$E_e \sim 10 \text{ keV}$   
 $j_e \sim 20 \text{ kA/cm}^2$   
 $n_e \sim 2 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$E_e \sim 40 \text{ keV}$   
 $j_e \sim 200 \text{ kA/cm}^2$   
 $n_e \sim 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$



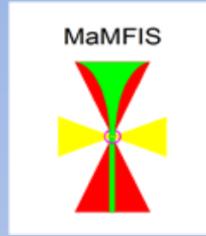
# High-frequency accelerators

Accelerated ion	$^{16}\text{O}^{5+}$	$^{20}\text{Ne}^{6+,7+}$	$^{40}\text{Ar}^{12+,13+}$	$^{56}\text{Fe}^{17+,18+}$	$^{84}\text{Kr}^{25+,26+}$	$^{132}\text{Xe}^{36+ \div 39+}$	$^{184}\text{W}^{42+ \div 46+}$ *	$^{209}\text{Bi}^{48+ \div 53+}$
A/Z	3.2	3.67, 2.86	3.33, 3.08	3.29, 3.11	3.36, 3.23	3.38 $\div$ 3.67	4 $\div$ 4.38	3.94 $\div$ 4.45
Yield, ions/s	$7 \cdot 10^7$	$8 \cdot 10^7$	$9 \cdot 10^7$	$10^8$	$3 \cdot 10^8$	$4 \cdot 10^8$	$4 \cdot 10^8$	$4 \cdot 10^8$



**Low-intensity, high-charge state ion beams for special applications**

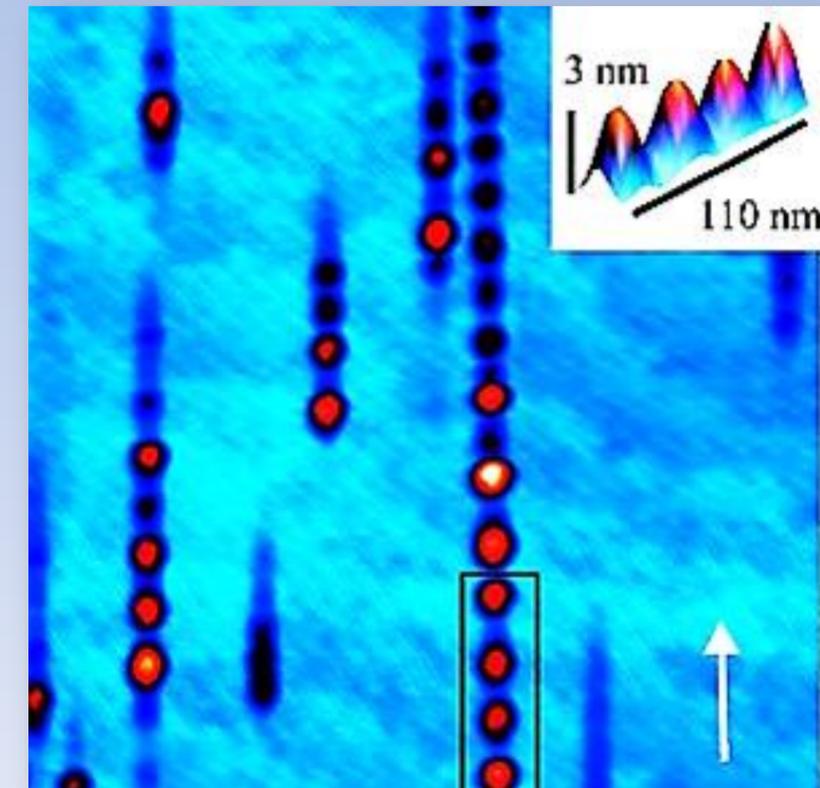
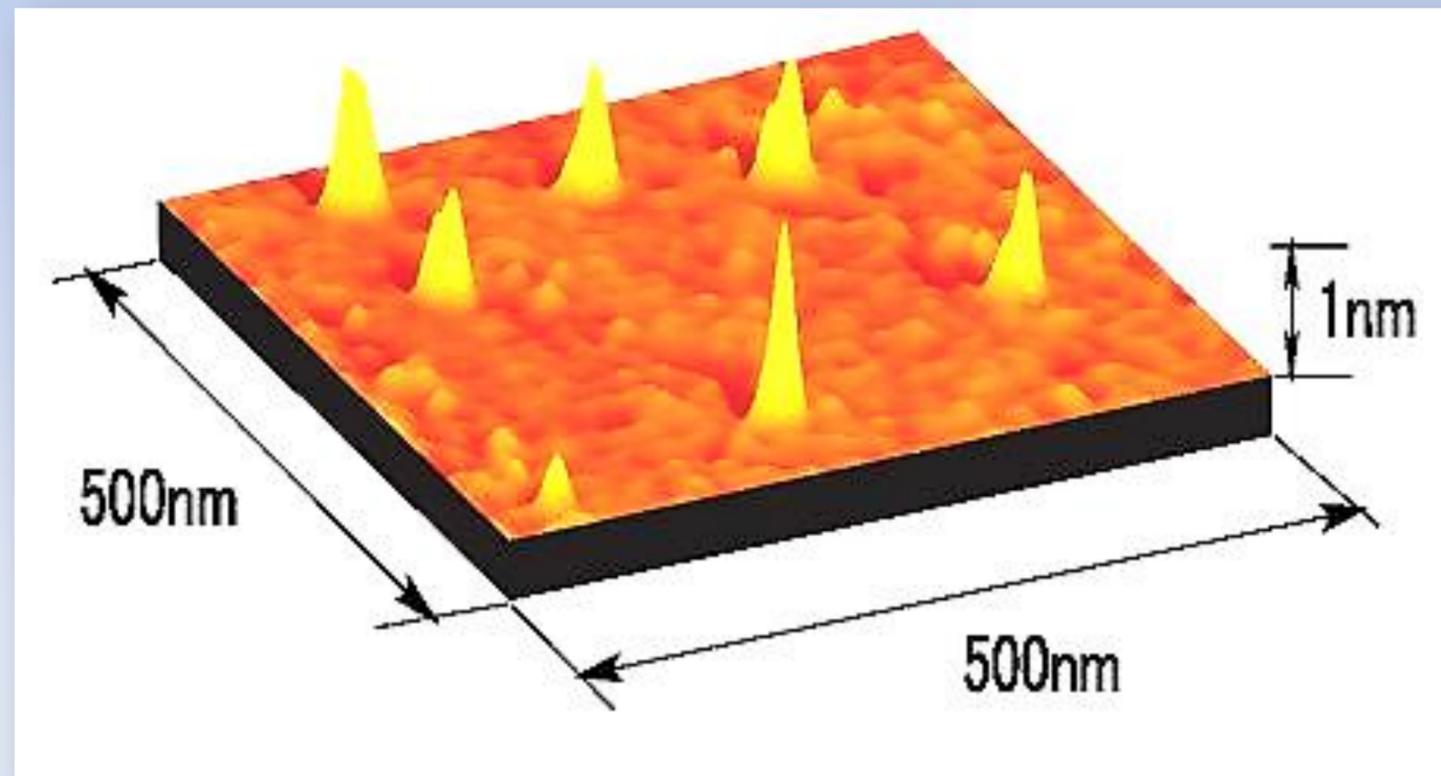
**Ion source of MaMFIS-10 type:  
 expected yield of  $\text{Kr}^{25+} \sim 10^8$  ions per second**



# Nanostructuring

Basic idea – R. Schmieder, 1991

Basic research – University of California, Berkeley  
Livermore EBIT was moved to Berkeley in 2001

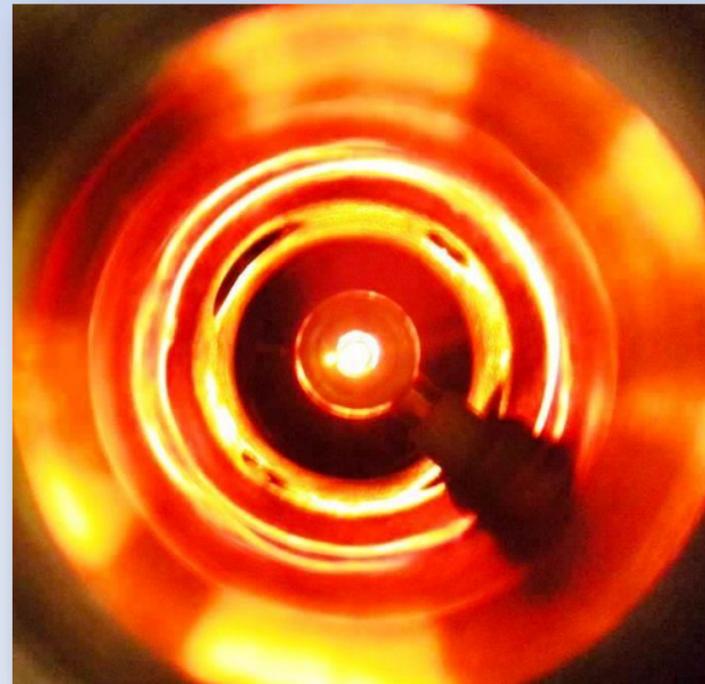


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<http://yebisu.ils.uec.ac.jp/surface.html>

## Summary

- **Novel method for production of highly charged ions in a rippled electron beam is developed and confirmed experimentally at electron energies  $E_e$  b 22.5 keV**
- **Electron current density of about 20 kA/cm<sup>2</sup> is achieved**
- **X-ray radiation from highly charged ions of Ir<sup>67+</sup> and Xe<sup>50+</sup> is detected**
- **Method allows one to produce any ions of arbitrary elements of the periodic table up to U<sup>92+</sup> ions in simple compact devices**
- **X-ray spectroscopy of all elements of the periodic table is feasible**



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