

# The Muon Cooling RF R&D Program



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## NFMCC, MuCool and MICE

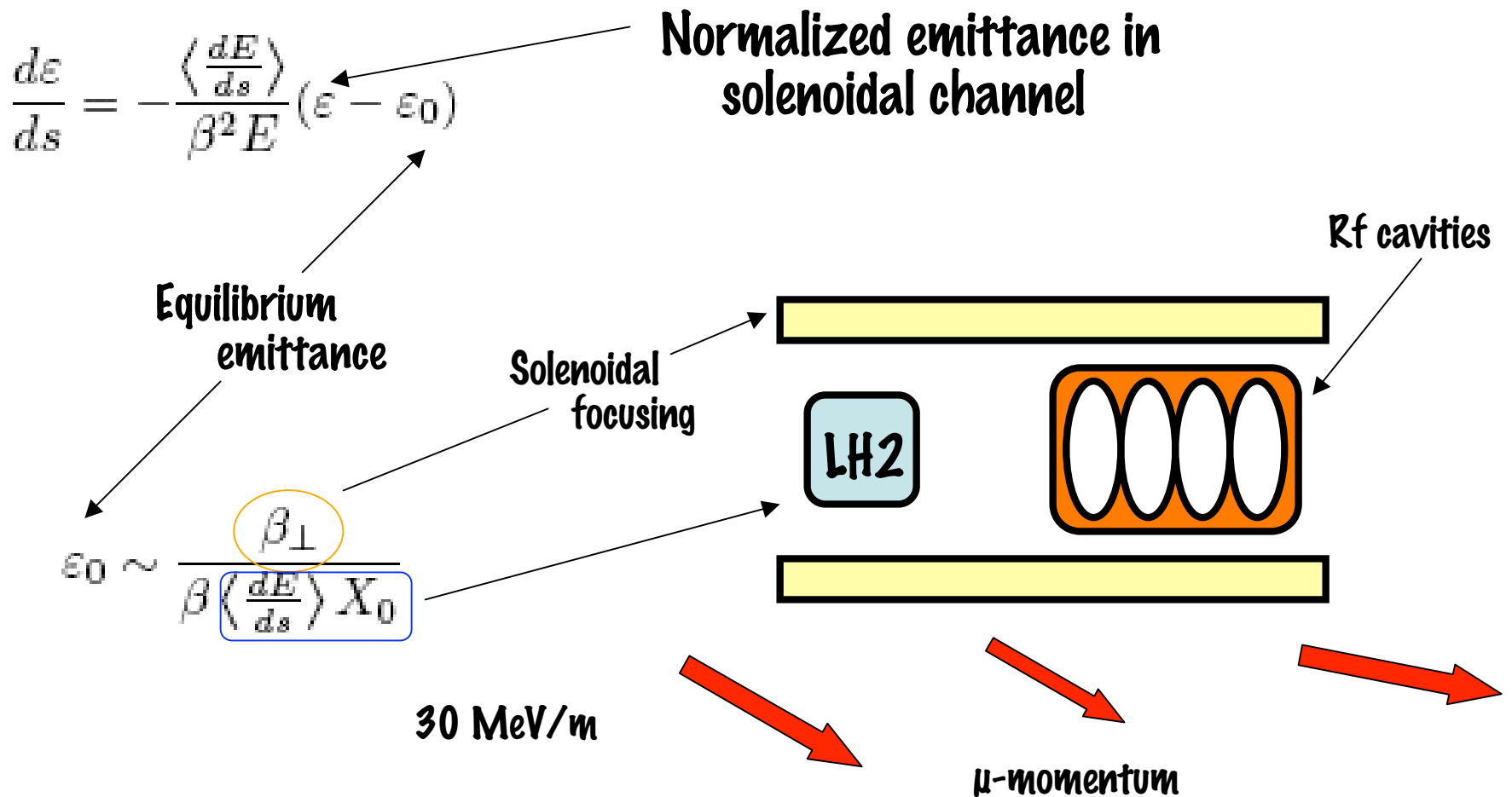


- Neutrino Factory and Muon Collider Collaboration (**NFMCC**) aims to tackle technical challenges of Neutrino Factories and Muon Colliders
- **MuCool** (Fermilab) is developing components for muon ionization cooling
  - Liquid hydrogen absorbers
  - Rf cavities
  - Magnets
  - Instrumentation
  - High power testing in beam
- **MICE** (RAL) is a system test of a cooling channel section
  - SFoFo cooling cell
  - Low intensity (single-muon)
  - Software bunching
- All are international collaborations



# Ionization Cooling

- Muon lifetime is  $2.2\mu\text{s}$ , traditional beam cooling techniques not applicable
  - Ionization cooling works "at the speed of the muon"





# MuCool Collaboration



- **Aims to**
  - design, prototype and test all cooling channel components
  - perform high-power beam test of cooling section
  - support MICE
- **18 institutions from US, Europe, Japan**
- **Spokesperson: A. Bross, Fermilab**

## • **RF development**

- ANL
- Fermilab
- IIT
- Jlab
- LBNL
- Mississippi

## • **Absorber R&D**

- Fermilab
- IIT
- UIUC
- KEK
- Mississippi
- NIU
- Osaka
- Oxford

## • **Beam diagnostics**

- ANL
- Fermilab
- IIT
- Princeton

## • **Solenoids**

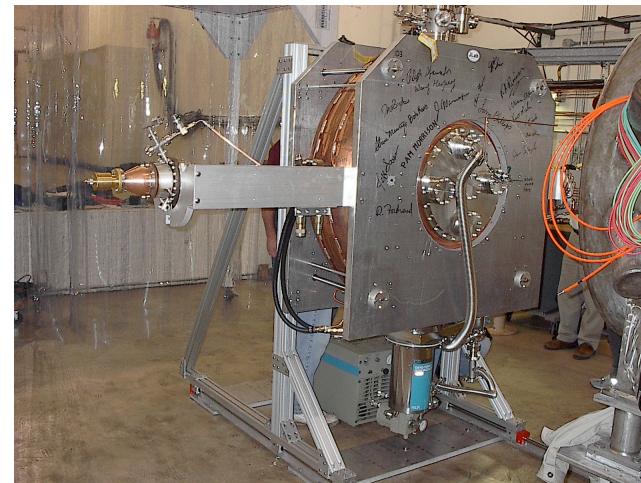
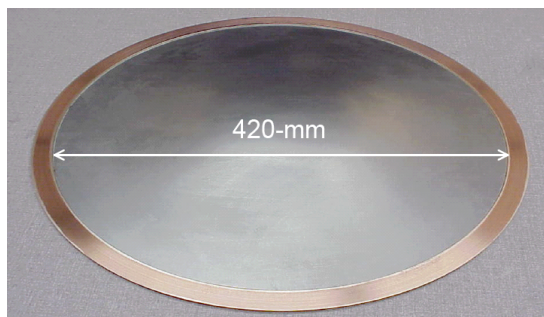
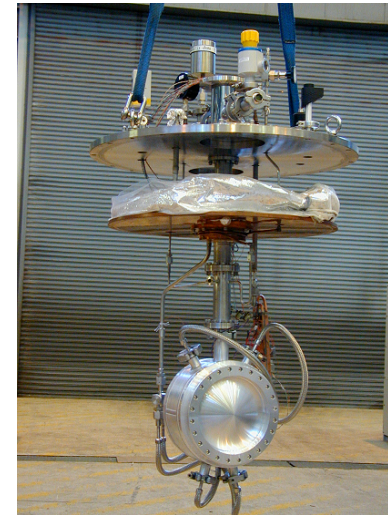
- LBNL



# MuCool Hardware R&D



- **Thin windows**
  - Absorber, vacuum, rf cavity
- **Liquid hydrogen absorbers**
  - Forced flow for high power in Neutrino Factory
  - Internal convection for MICE
- **Rf cavities**
  - 805MHz quarter scale model to study the physics
  - 201 MHz prototype to demonstrate operation





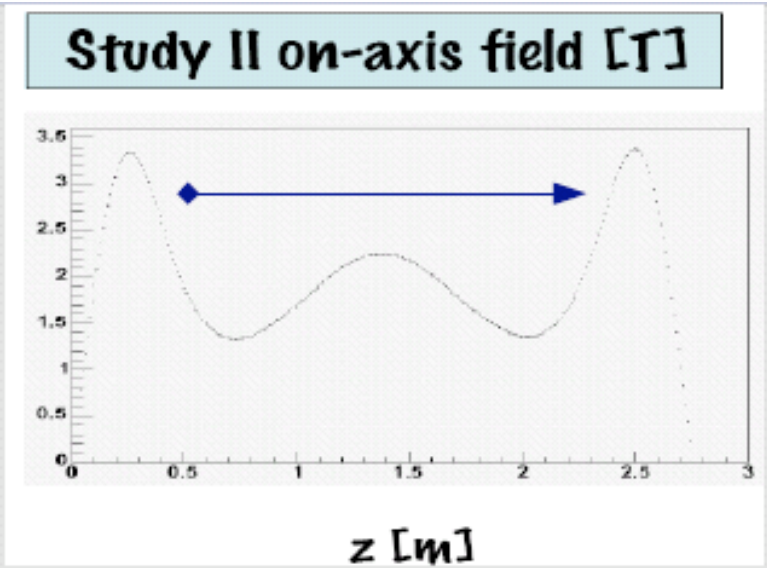
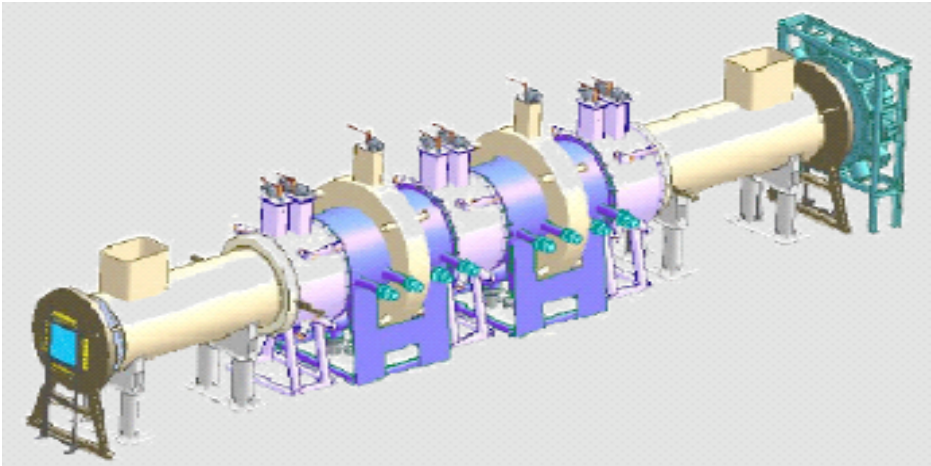
## Rf Cavity R&D



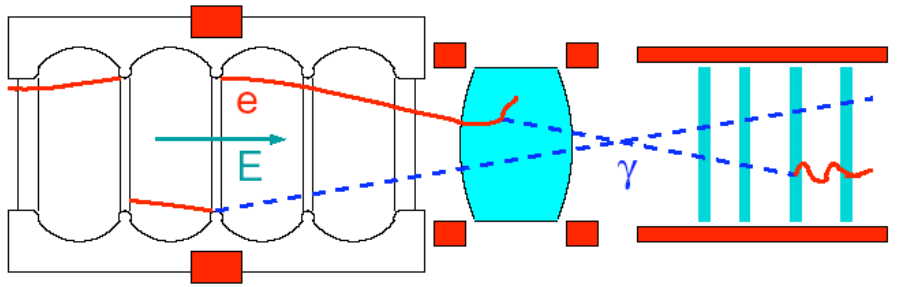
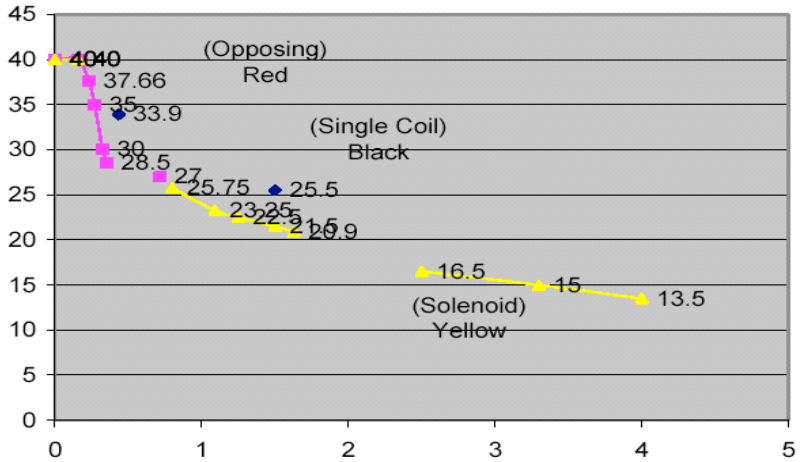
- **Systematic study of breakdown for NC rf in high magnetic field**
  - Develop general understanding, explore connection to rest of rf research community
- **Measure rf-induced background rates, spectra and noise for MICE**
- **Map cavity performance as a function of magnetic field for MuCool/MICE**
- **Identify and test promising materials, surface treatment, coatings**

# The Problem

- High-gradient Cu rf cavities in high magnetic field is a significant challenge for NFMCC
  - Magnetic field focuses dark currents and lowers onset of breakdown
  - Ionization cooling channel packed with high-stored-energy cavities with thin windows in high magnetic field
  - In MICE, tracking detectors next to rf cavities are subject to x-ray backgrounds
- We have to demonstrate reliable and low-background operation



### Achieved gradient @ 805MHz [MV/m]





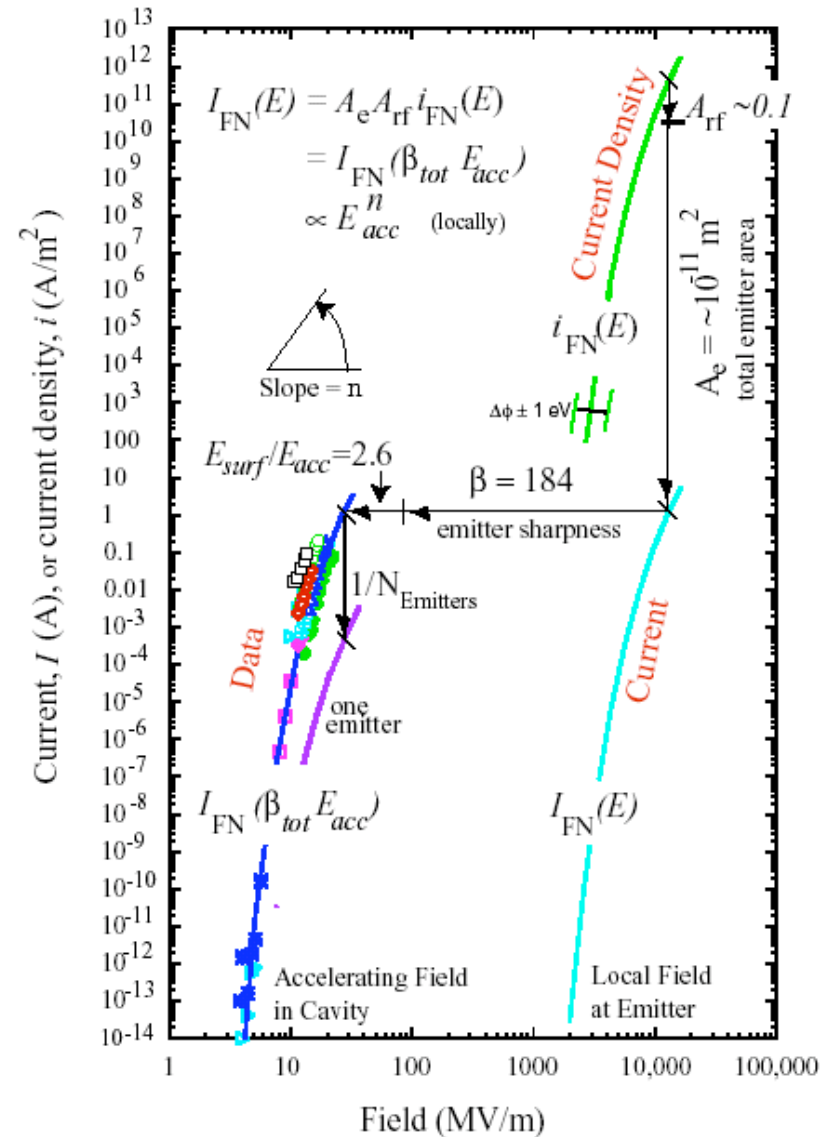
# Dark Currents



- Precursor to breakdown
- Electrons tunnel through work function of metal
- Current rises very steeply with field (hard to make measurements)

$$j_{FN}(E) = \frac{A}{\phi} (\beta E)^2 \exp\left(-\frac{B\phi^{3/2}}{\beta E}\right)$$

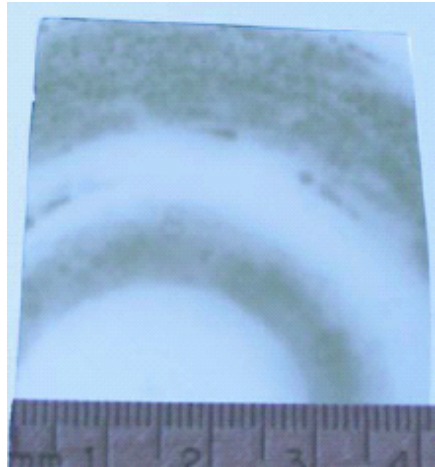
$$n = \frac{E}{j} \frac{dj}{dE} \approx 2 + \frac{67.4 \text{ GV/m}}{\beta E}$$



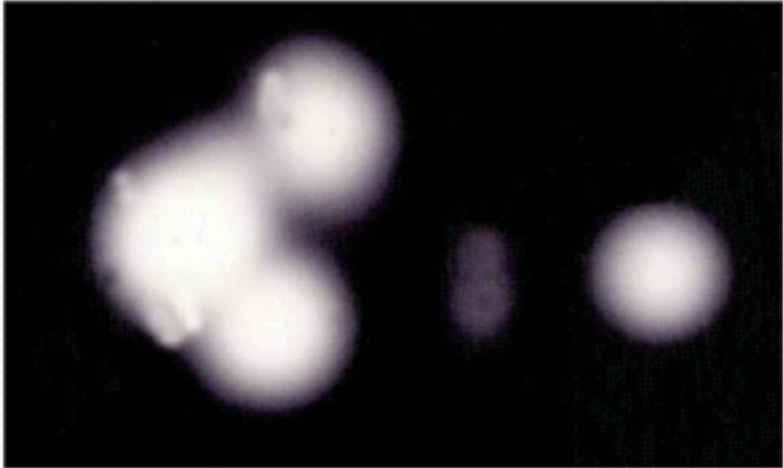


# Life of an Emitter

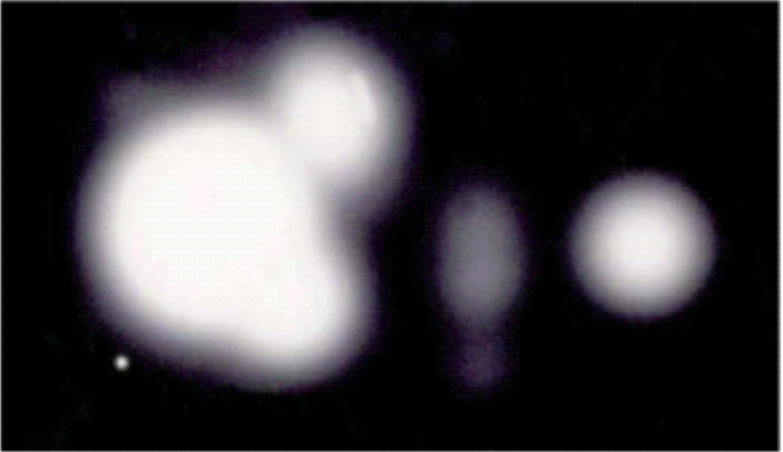
- Emitted current dominated by the few brightest sites
- When an emitter is extinguished, it can form secondary sites
- Cavity history after a big spark is determined by that event
- Dark current beamlets channeled by magnetic field



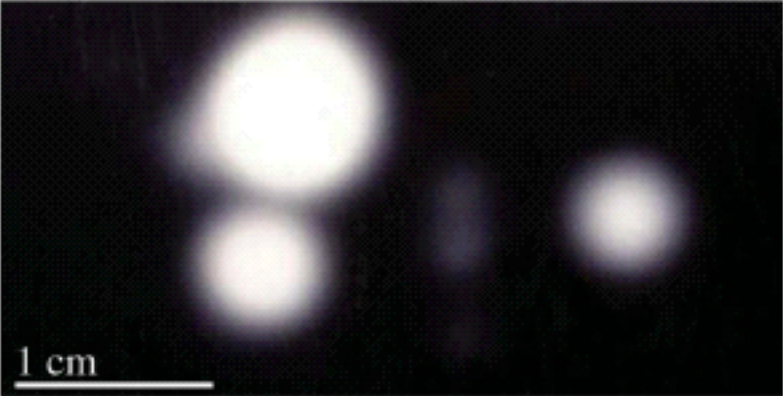
Before



During



After





# The Cast

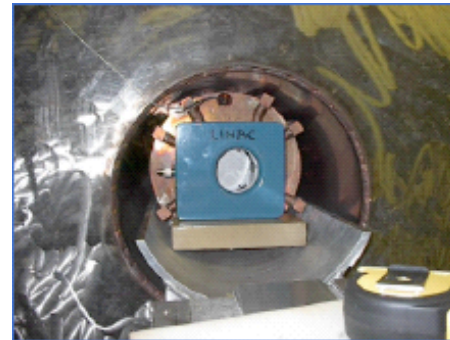


- **Argonne:** J. Norem
- **Berkeley:** D. Li, S. Virostek, M. Zisman
- **Fermilab:** A. Bross, A. Moretti, B. Norris, M. Popovic, Z. Qian
- **Geneva:** R. Sandstrom
- **ILL:** D. Kaplan, W. Luebke, Y. Torun, K. Yonehara
- **JLab:** R. Rimmer
- **Muons Inc.:** M. Alsharoa, P. Hanlet, R. Johnson



# The Tools

- **Want to measure electron, photon fluxes, spectra**
  - Radiation meter
  - Beam transformer
  - Scintillator blocks
  - Scintillating fibers
  - NaI crystal
  - Ge diode
  - Photographic paper
  - Polaroid film
  - Rf antenna
  - Thermocouples
  - Microphones
  - Microscope, STM

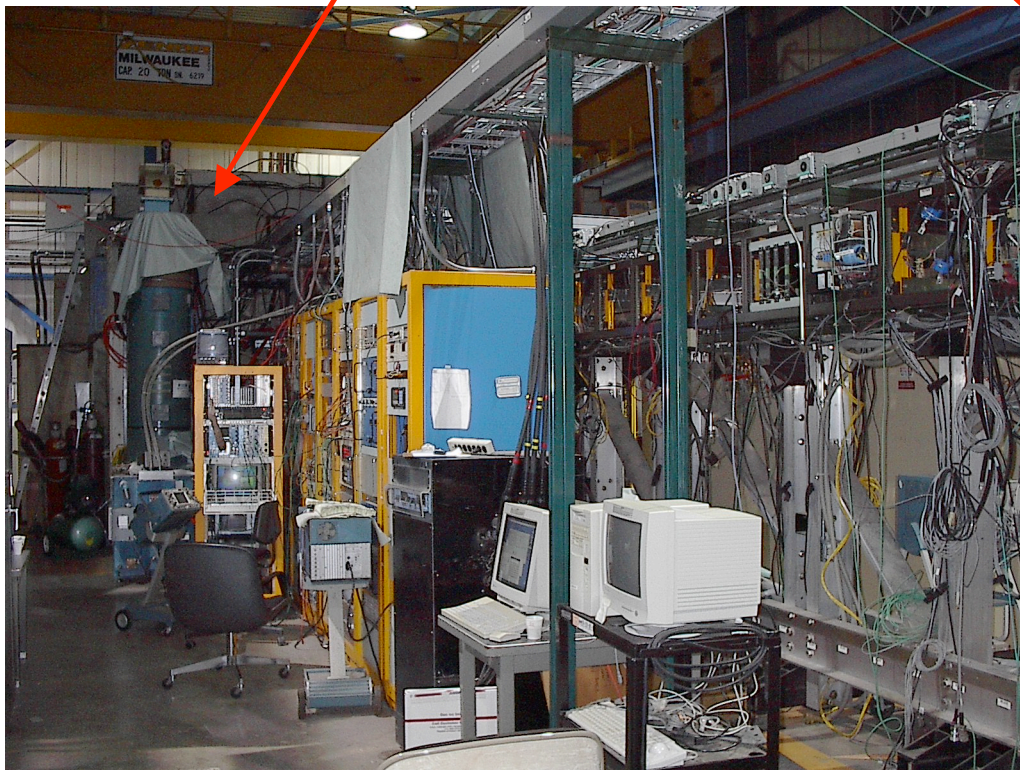
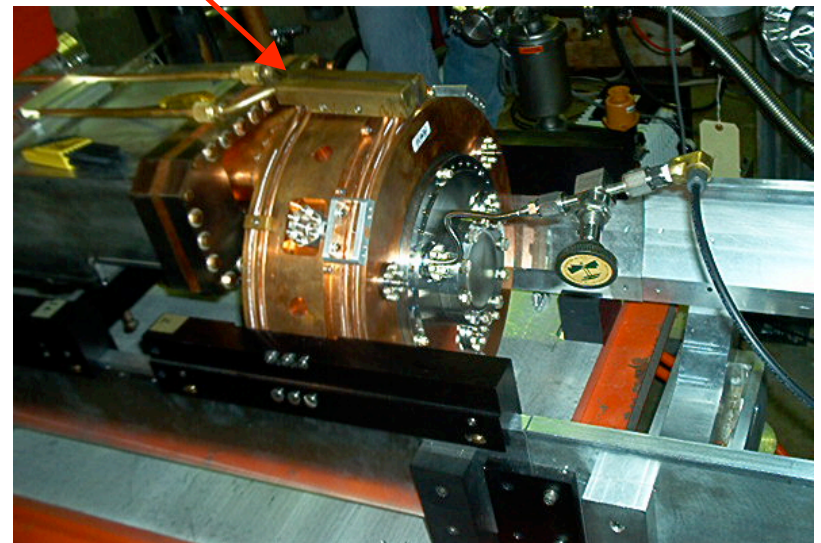
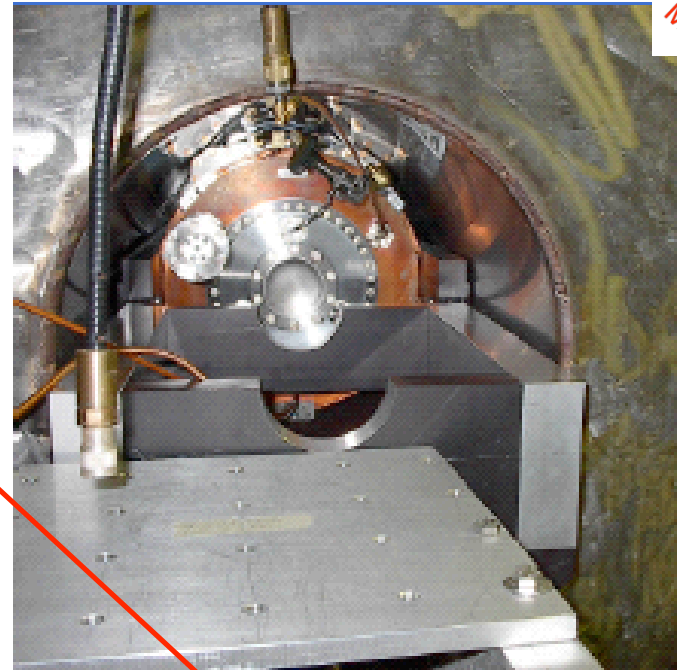




# Fermilab Lab-G Facility

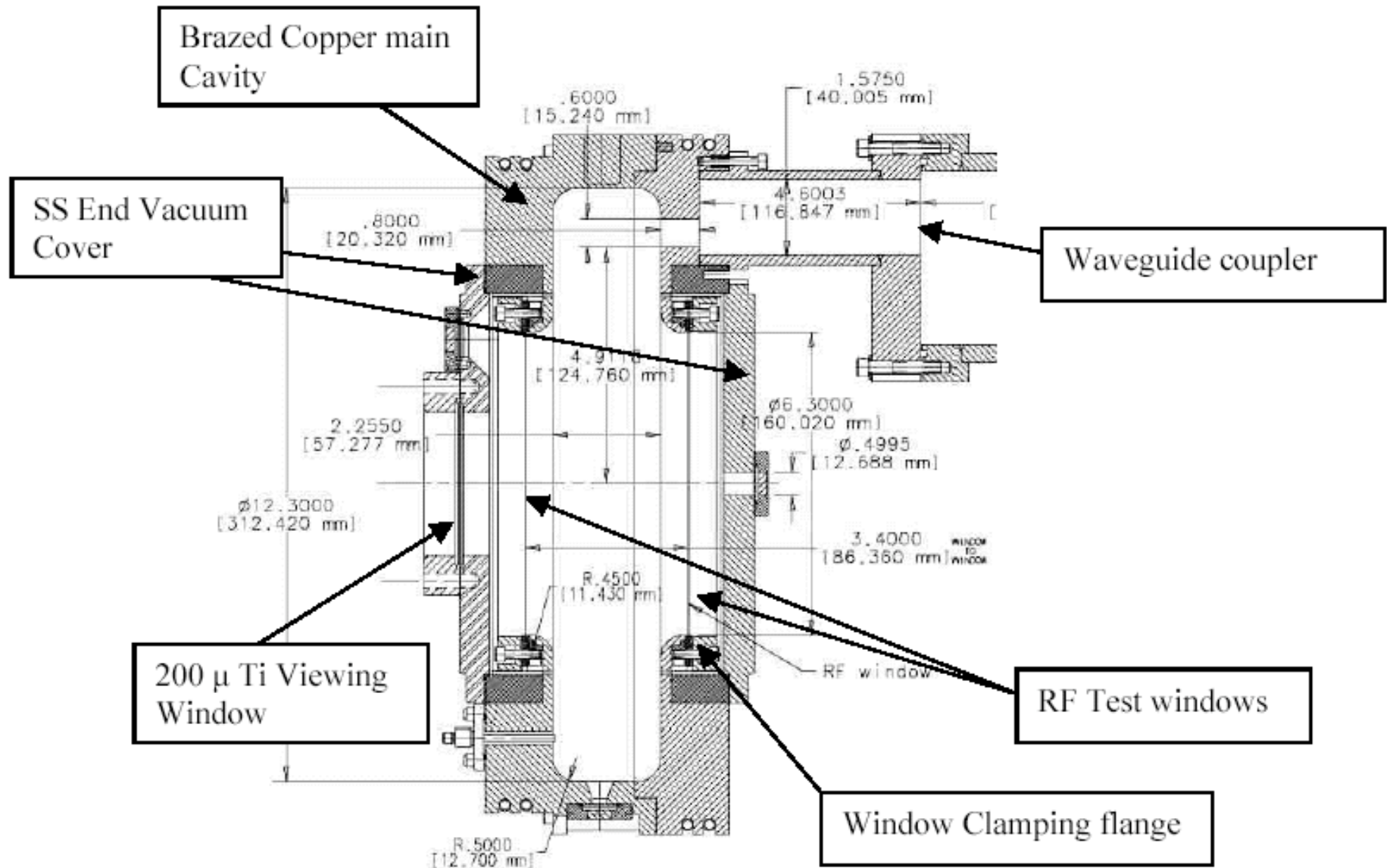


- 805MHz pillbox cavity with removable endplates
- In 5T solenoid magnet
- 1.2MW klystron



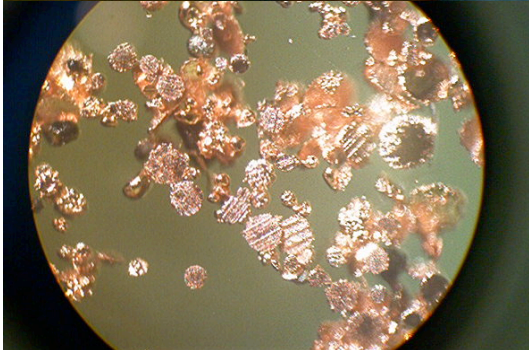
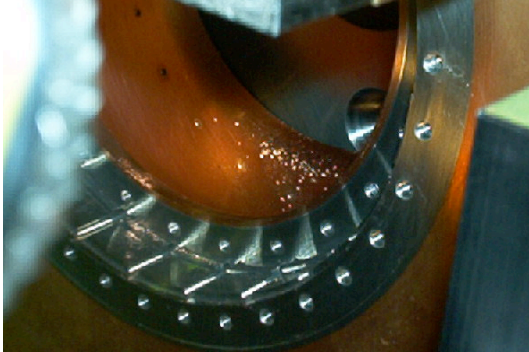
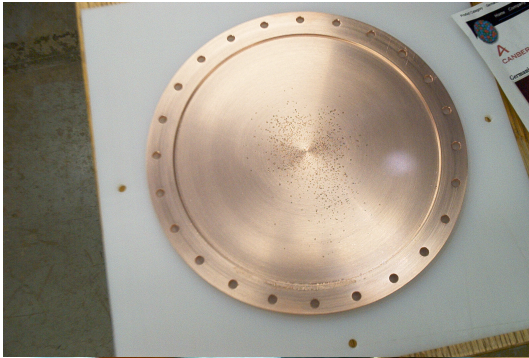


# 805 MHz Pillbox Cavity

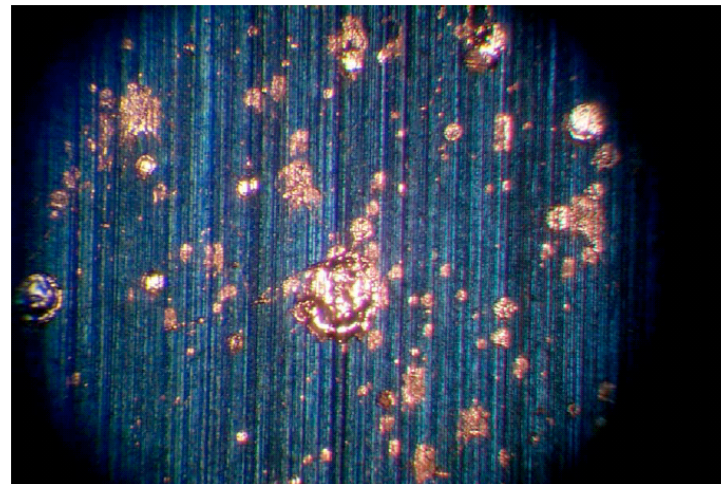
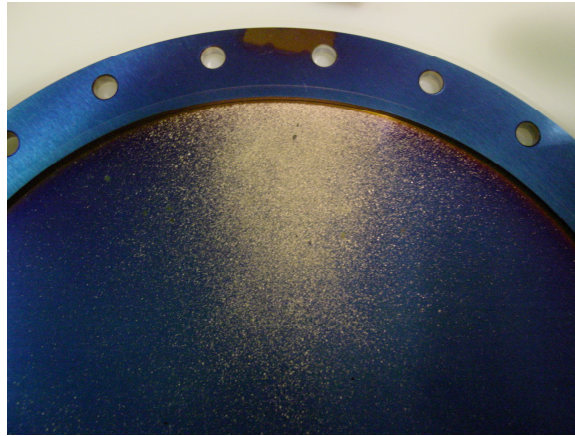


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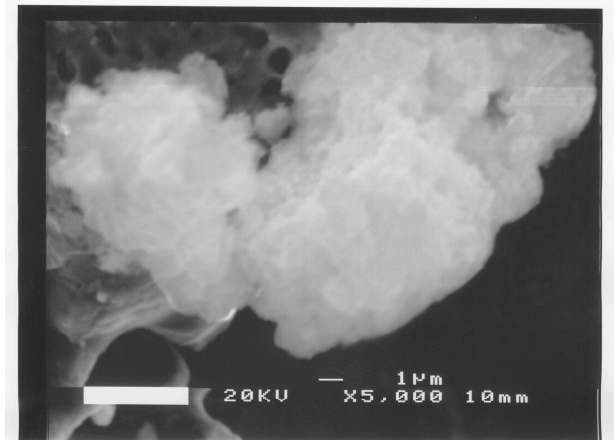
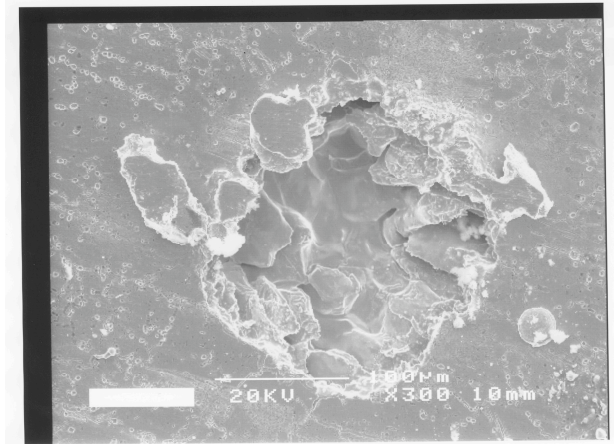
- **Cu endplate**
  - Cu dust, pits



- **TiN-coated Be window**
  - Cu deposits
  - No coating or window damage



- **SEM analysis**
  - Cu blobs on surface





# Lab-G Rf Program Summary



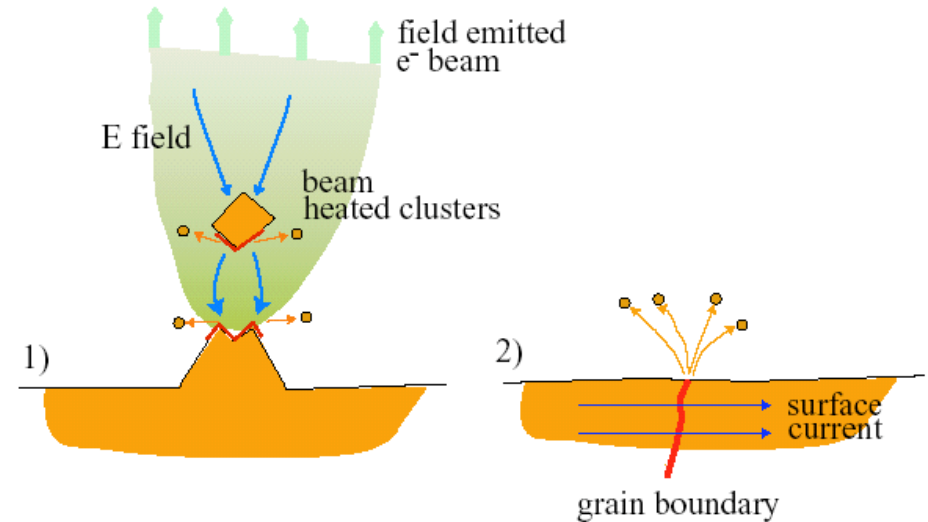
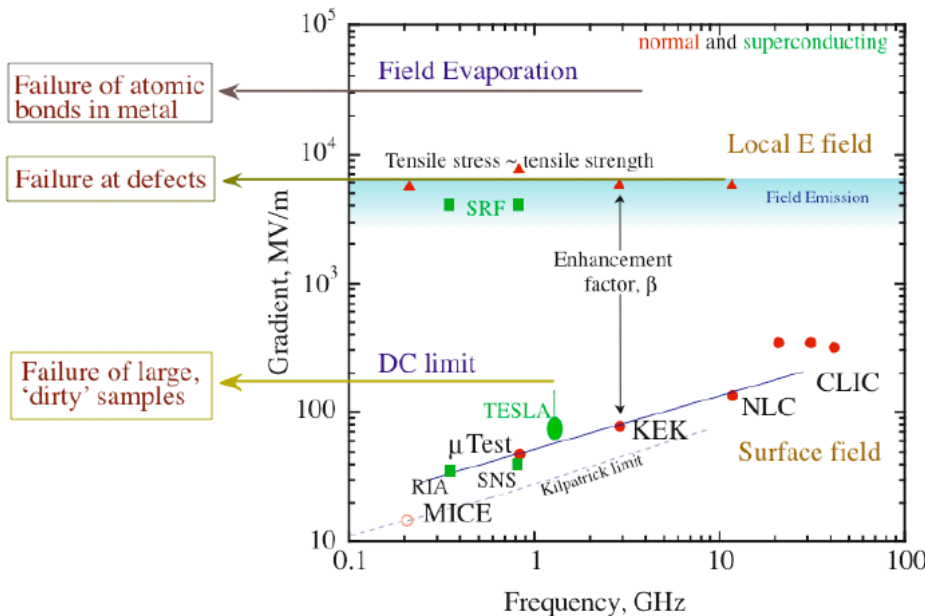
- **Lab-G klystron reclaimed as Linac spare at Fermilab, Lab-G 805MHz program stopped at the end of 2003**
  - Preparing setup in the newly commissioned **MuCool Test Area** facility
- **Cu is the weak link for achieving high gradients, Be and TiN coating seem to work well -- sample insertion device designed for studying other materials/coatings**
- **Measured rf-induced background rates and spectra**
  - Projected dark currents safe for window integrity and background rates for **MICE**
- **Experience in cavity conditioning and operation**
  - Mapped performance as a function of magnetic field
    - Magnetic field causes major degradation in achievable gradient
    - Cavity does not remember conditioning history when field switched on/off
  - Flat cavity windows not stable under high-power
- **805MHz cavity data**
  - Open-iris 6-cell cavity: *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 6, 072001 (2003)
  - Pillbox cavity: *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 8, 072001 (2005)



# Rf R&D Directions



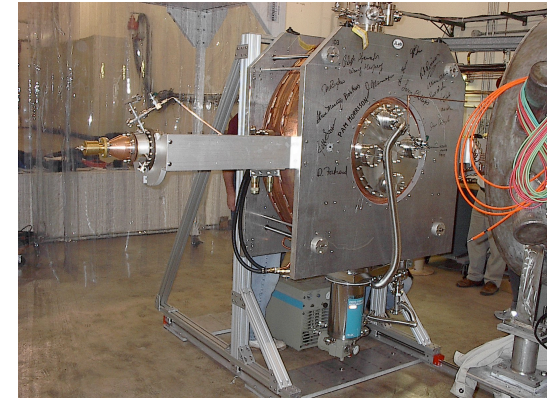
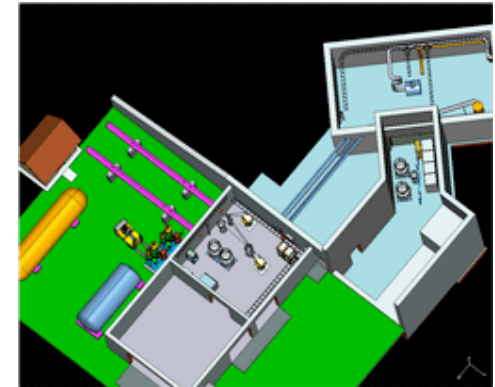
- Many problems are common to
  - DC and rf breakdown
  - Normal and superconducting rf (CLIC, ILC)
- We need help from materials science and surface chemistry
- Surface physics initiative (J. Norem, ANL + D. Seidman, Northwestern) for understanding breakdown processes using atom probe tomography and molecular cluster simulations





# New Facility - MuCool Test Area

- **MTA has**
  - 201, 805MHz rf power
  - Cryogenics infrastructure
- **We have installed**
  - 5T solenoid
  - Cabling for remote diagnostics
  - 805MHz pillbox cavity
  - 201MHz pillbox cavity
  - Clean room for assembly
- **Hope to have 400MeV p beam**

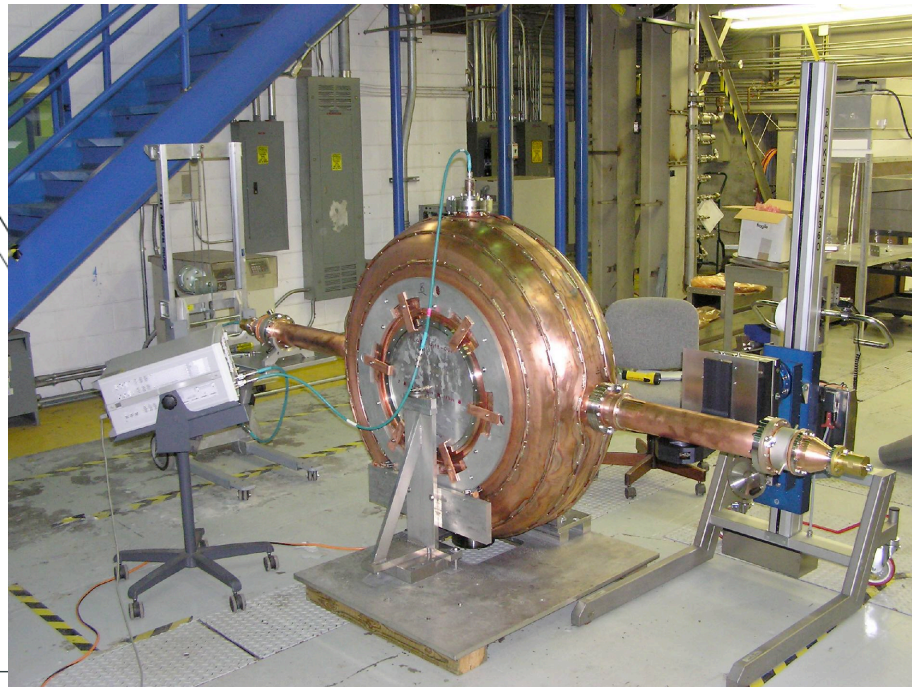
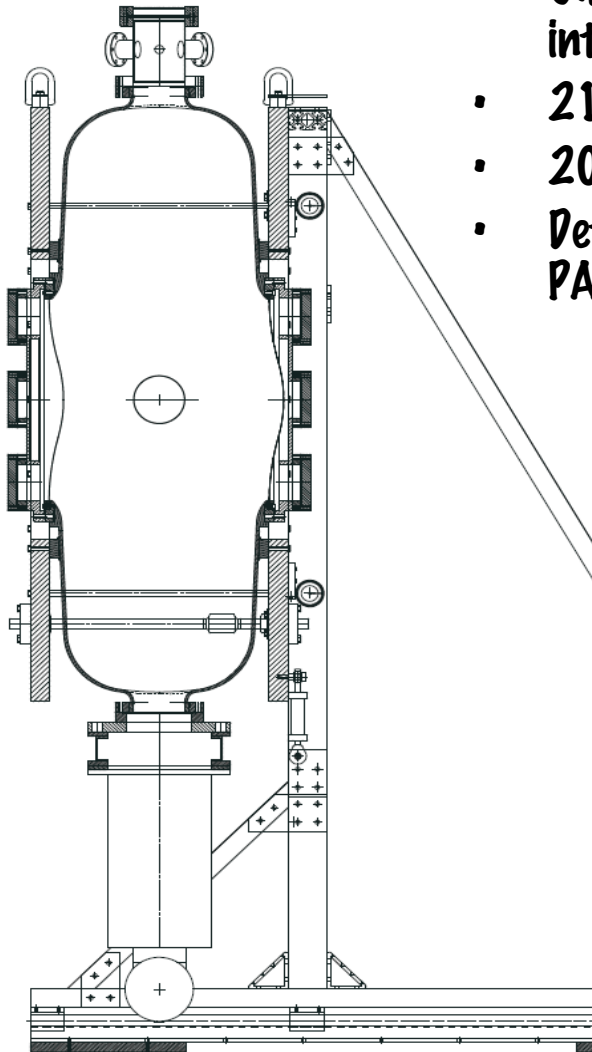




# 201 MHz Prototype Cavity



- Built by LBNL, Jlab, Mississippi
- 6mm Cu sheet, 43cm-long x 61cm-radius, electro-polished interior
- 21cm-radius, 0.38mm-thick curved Be windows
- 201.25MHz, 16MV/m,  $Q=53000$
- Details: D. Li et al, PAC03 (design), R. Rimmer et al, PAC05 (fabrication)





# MuCool Rf Status



- **805MHz program to resume soon at the MTA**
  - Will start with curved Be windows
  - Button hardware ready to test different materials
  - Have grids to test as alternative to solid windows
  - GHz pressurized cavity tests also started (R. Johnson et al., Muons Inc)
- **Cabling installed, detectors and DAQ being set up**
- **201 MHz will start up shortly afterward**
- **Progress within last month**
  - Experimental area cleaned and sealed
  - Clean room and 201 MHz cavity installed
  - 805MHz cavity hook-up completed (ready to run)

