
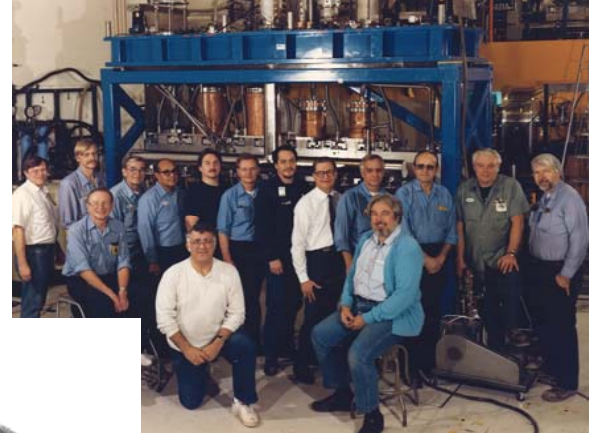
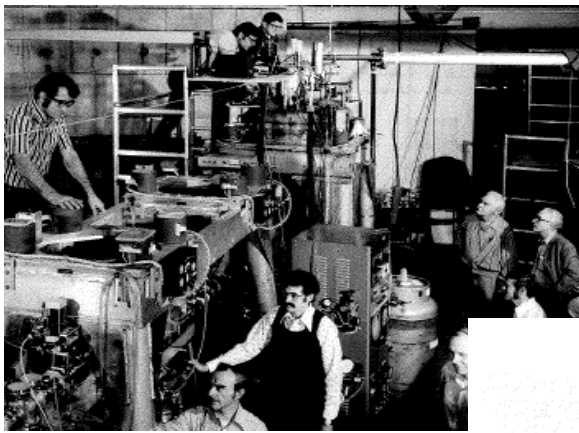


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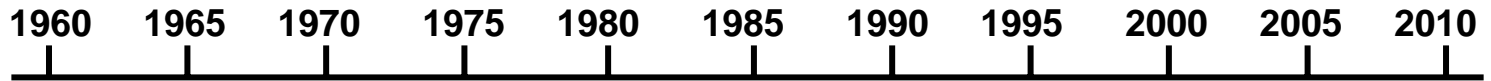


Looking back, eight years ago ATLAS was nothing but an idea. And looking forward, in two years ATLAS will come alive, almost full grown. That's 10 years from conception to birth! But what a beautiful baby! 





# Super Conducting Linac Development at Argonne

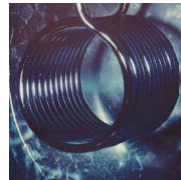


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Superconducting Helix



SC Booster Linac

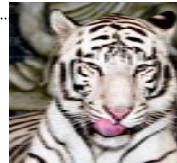
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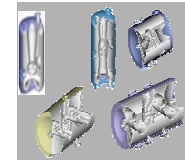
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ATLAS Energy Upgrade



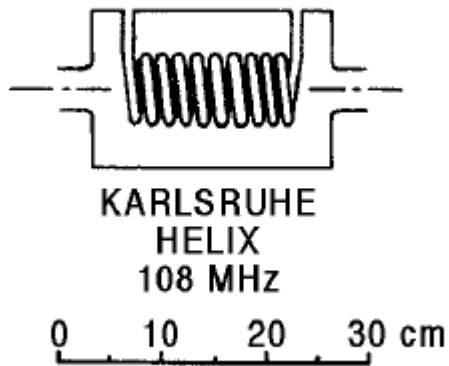
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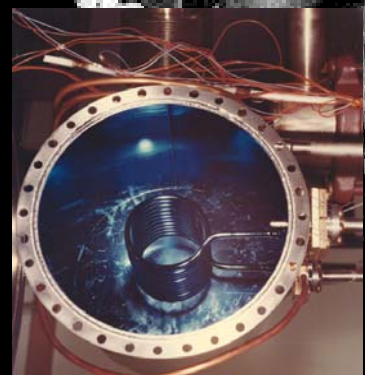
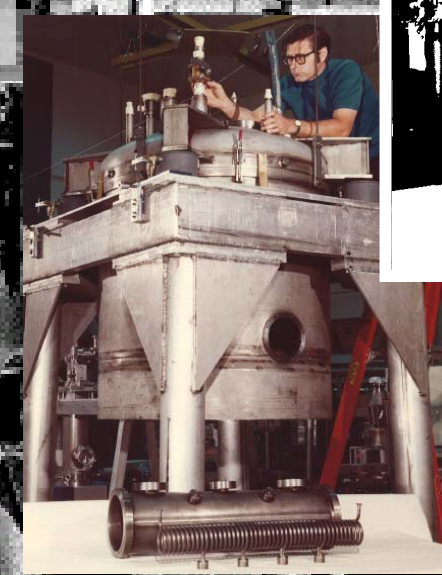
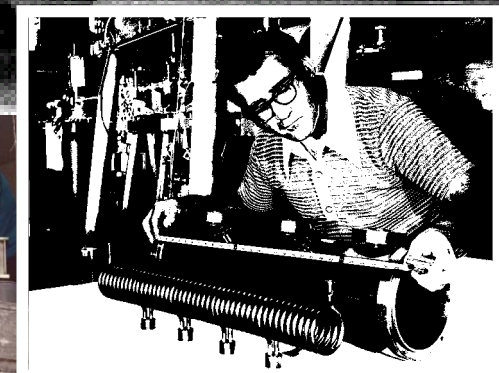
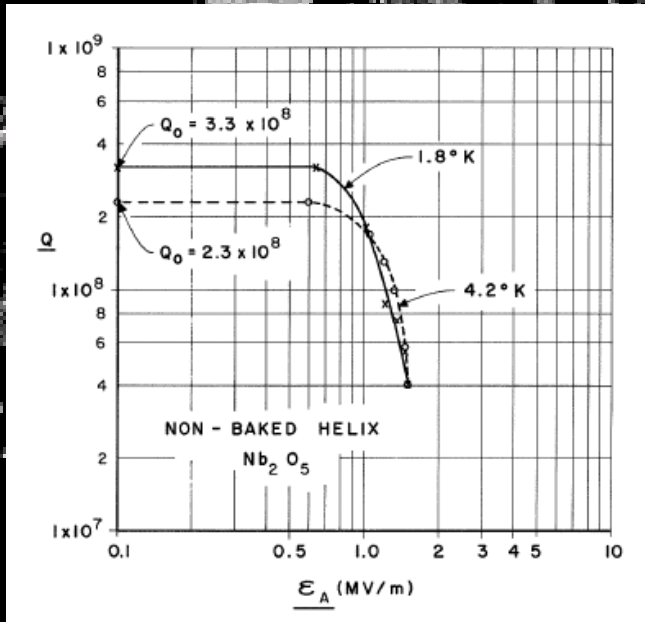
ANL SC Linac Operation

# The HELIX Age

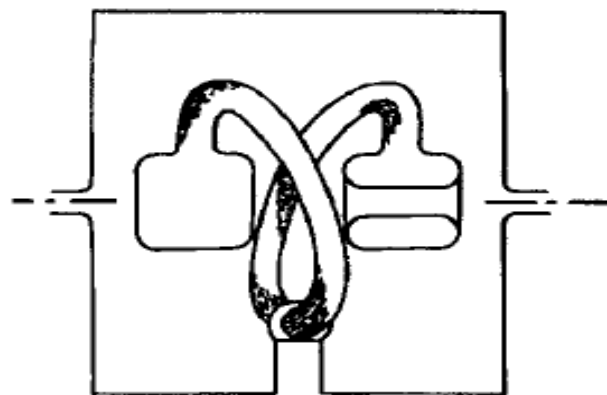
- 1969 H. Klein et al (Frankfurt University) propose a heavy-ion linac using normal-conducting helical accelerating structures (HELAC)
- HELAC loses out against C. Schmelzer's (Heidelberg University) UNILAC as the choice for the GSI heavy-ion facility
- Subsequently several laboratories start pursuing *superconducting* helical structures (Karlsruhe, Orsay, Argonne CHM)
- Good fields are achieved but stability and phase locking problems (though helix gets eventually used in a small sc accelerator at Orsay)
- Lowell Bollinger steps down as Division Director of PHY to fully pursue the helical superconducting heavy-ion linac at ANL



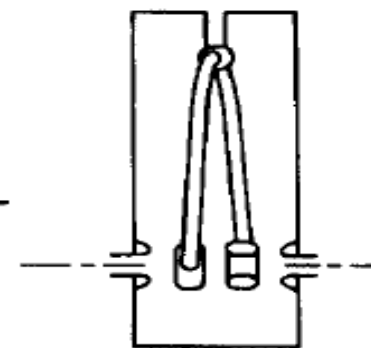
# The SC Helix at ANL: PHY and CHM



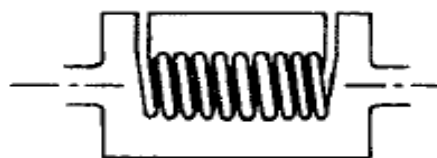
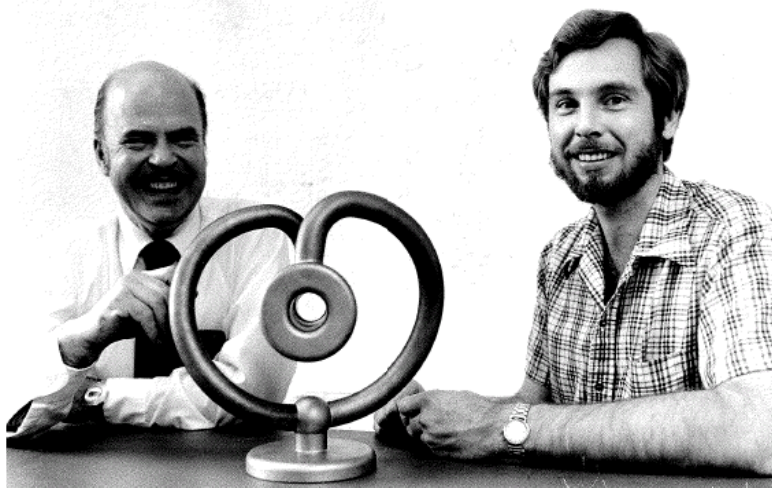
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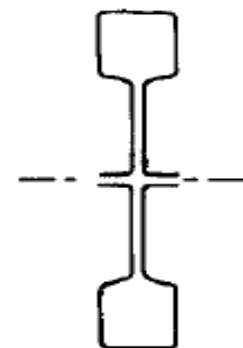


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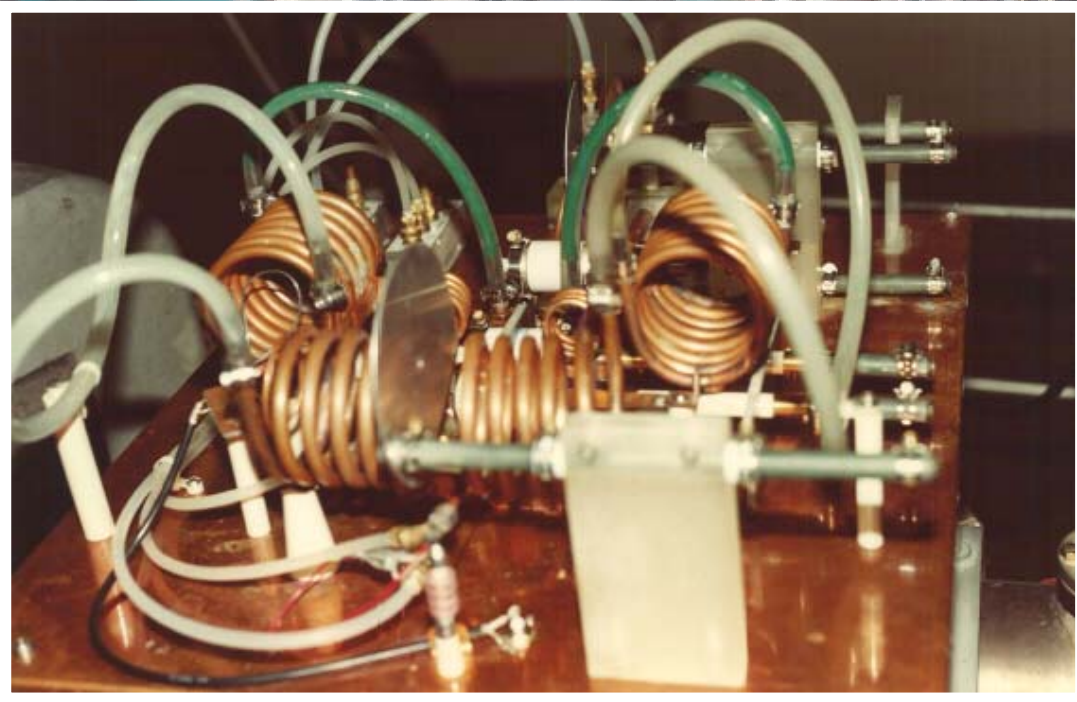
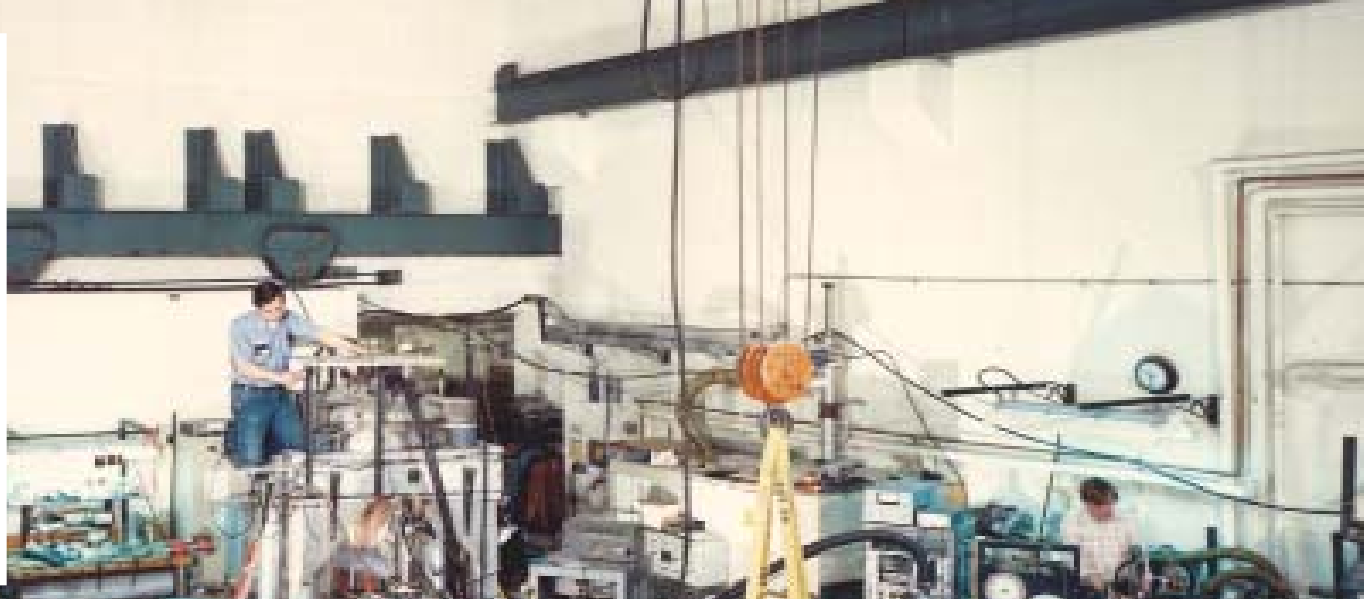
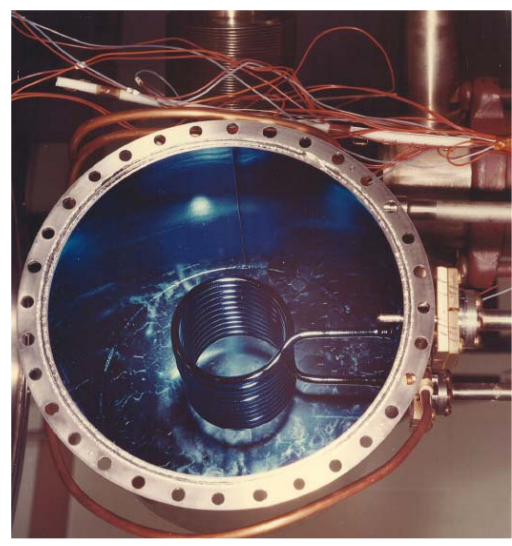
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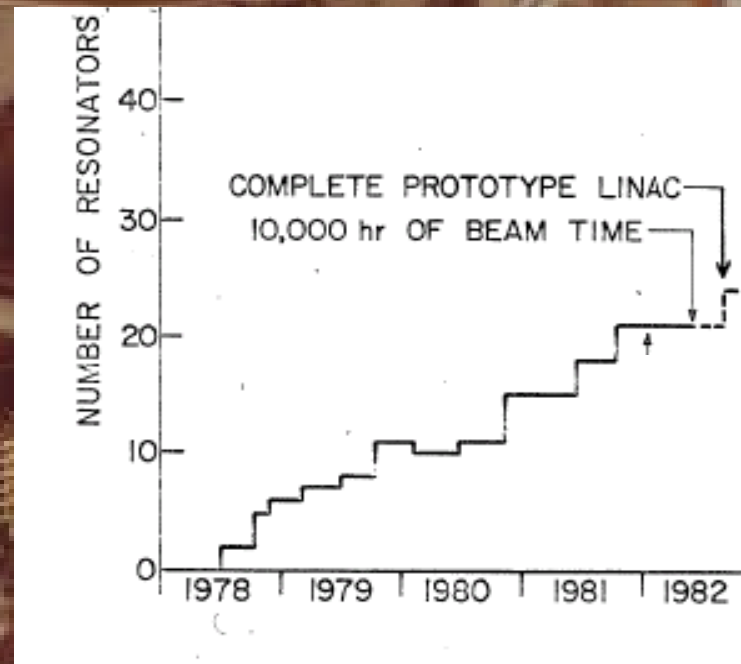


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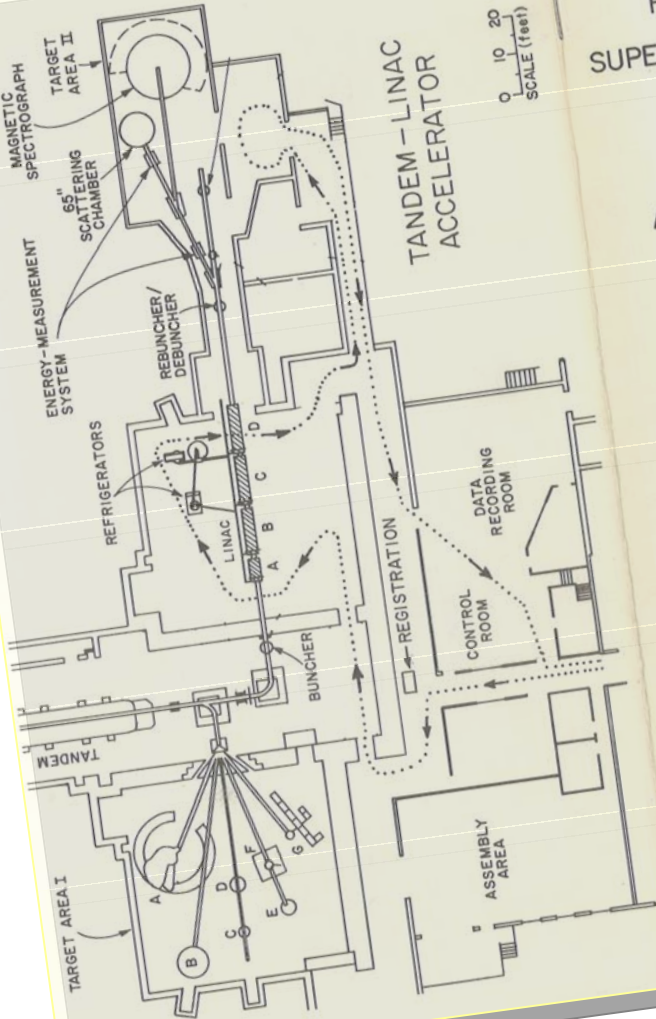






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JUNE 25-26, 1981  
ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY  
ARGONNE, ILLINOIS



SUPERCONDUCTING LINAC PROJECT

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Bob Mogil

Tony Rogers

Les Trater

Arnie Zahlit

Ole Beith

Dale Cassidy

Dave Compton

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Regis Franck

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Elmar Koch

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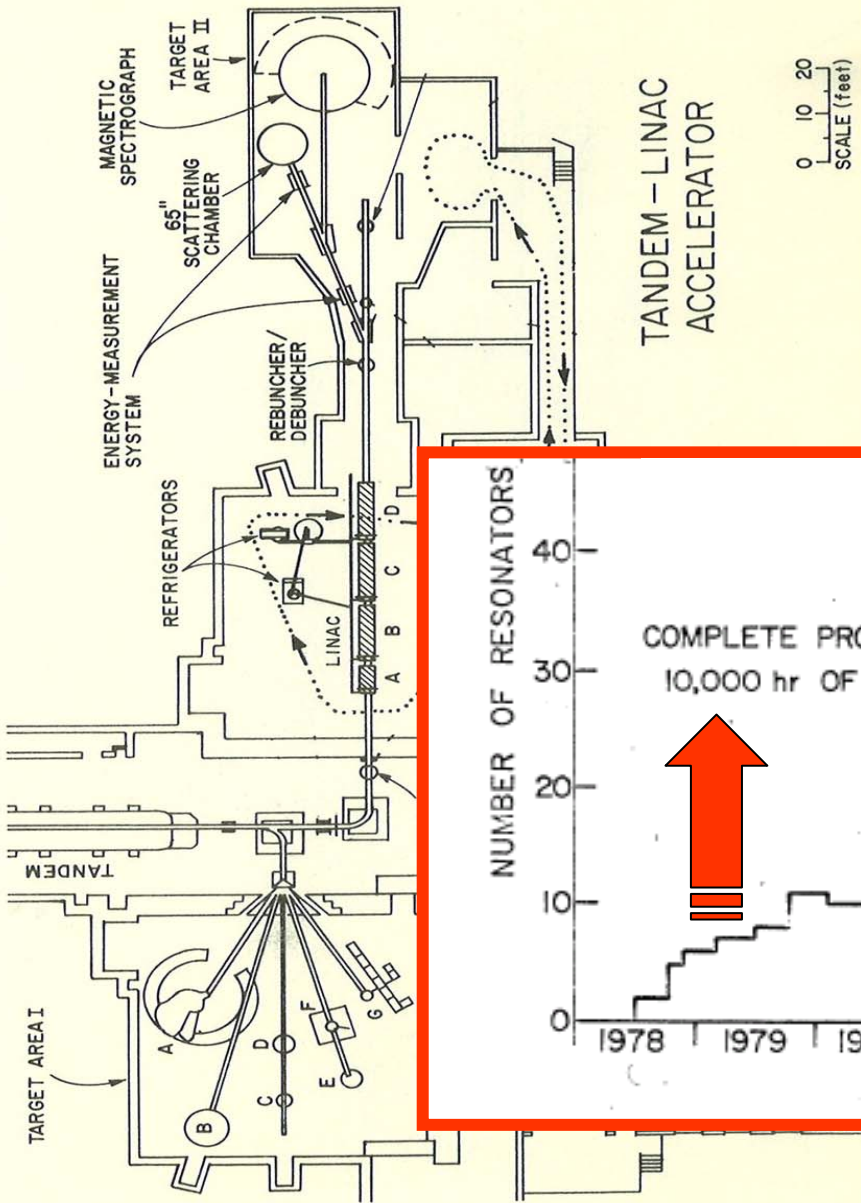
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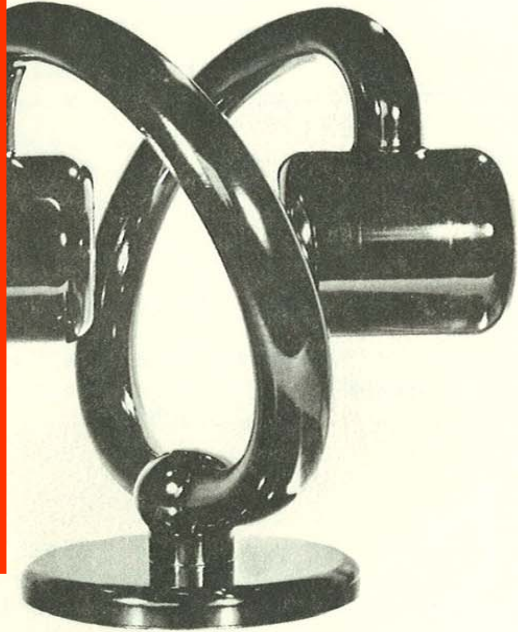
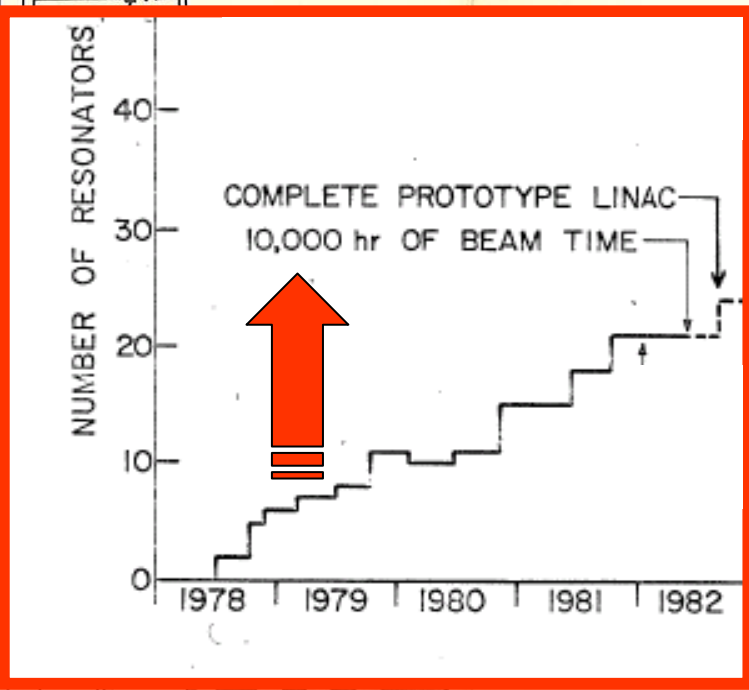




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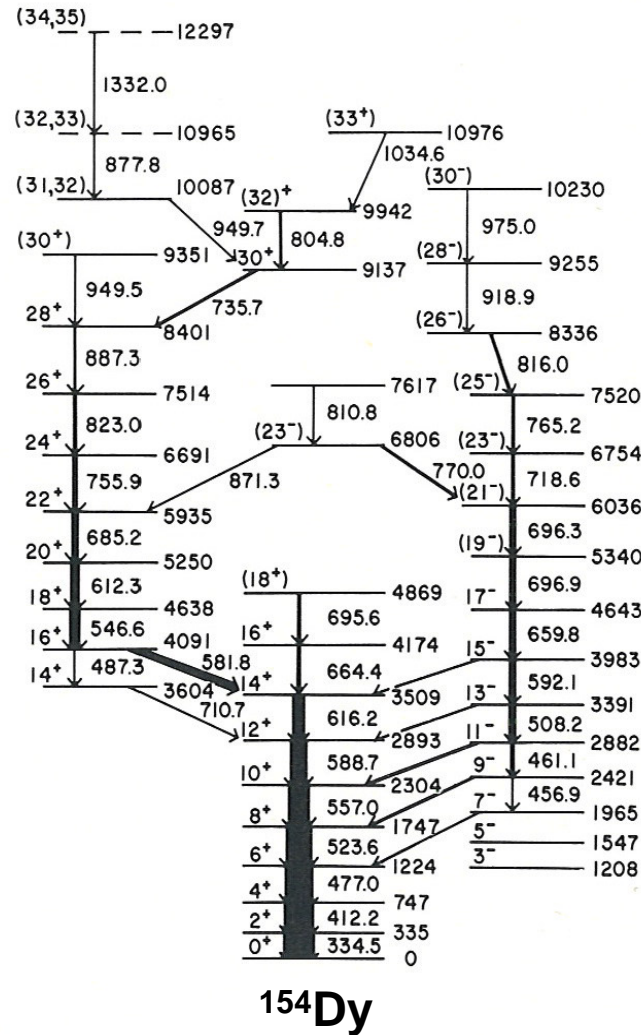
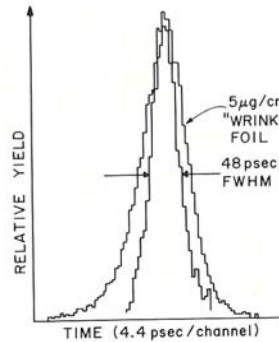
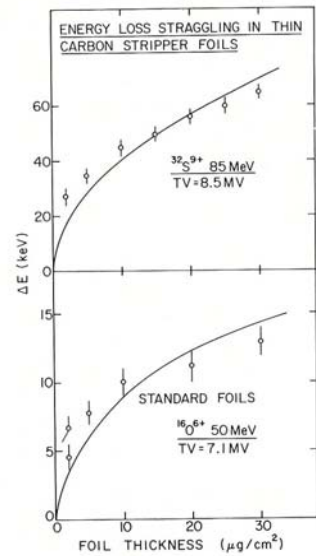
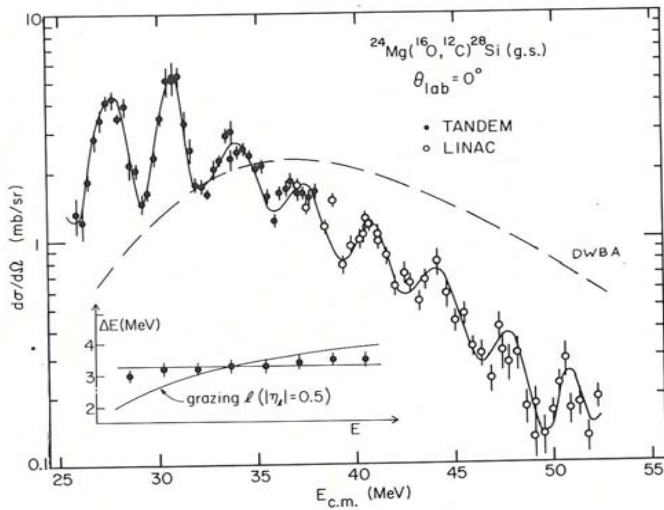
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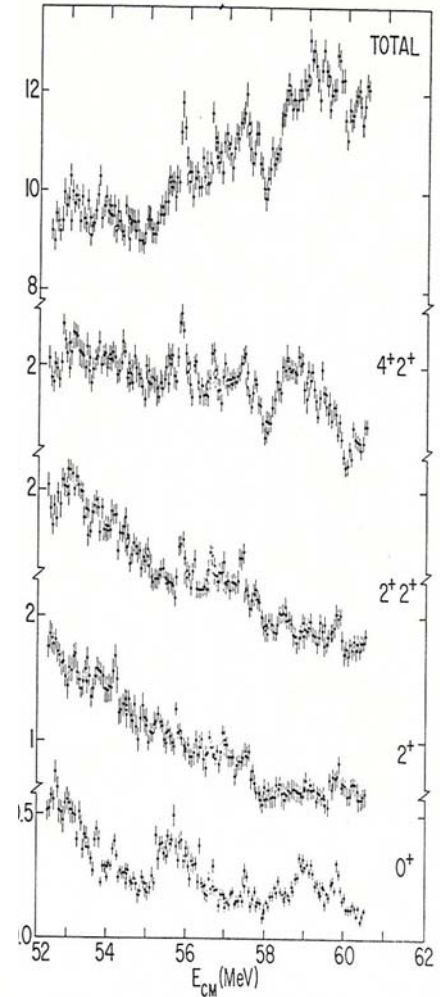
## Superconducting RF (SRF) LINAC for Ion Beams

- few watts to kilo-watts provide several MV/m accelerating fields
- > cw !
- > independently phased resonators: high degree of flexibility; e.g.:
- > allows to optimize acceleration voltage
- > can compensate for malfunctioning resonators
- > with the first resonators in place one can start the research program, i.e. well before completion of facility
- > acceleration configuration easily changed: excitation functions, beam changes, charge-to-mass ratio
- > multi-charge state beams

# First Experiments with the Booster Linac



$^{28}\text{Si} + ^{28}\text{Si}$



...and many others.....

W.H.



# ATLAS

A PROPOSAL FOR  
A PRECISION  
HEAVY ION ACCELERATOR  
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# ATLAS

ITS ROLE  
IN NUCLEAR PHYSICS



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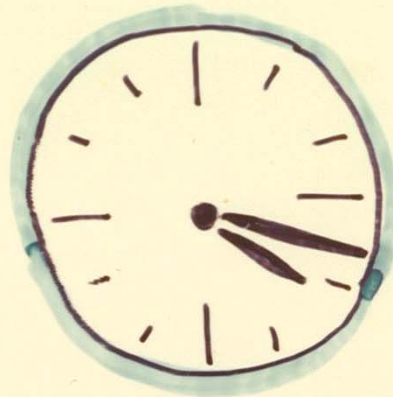
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ADDENDUM  
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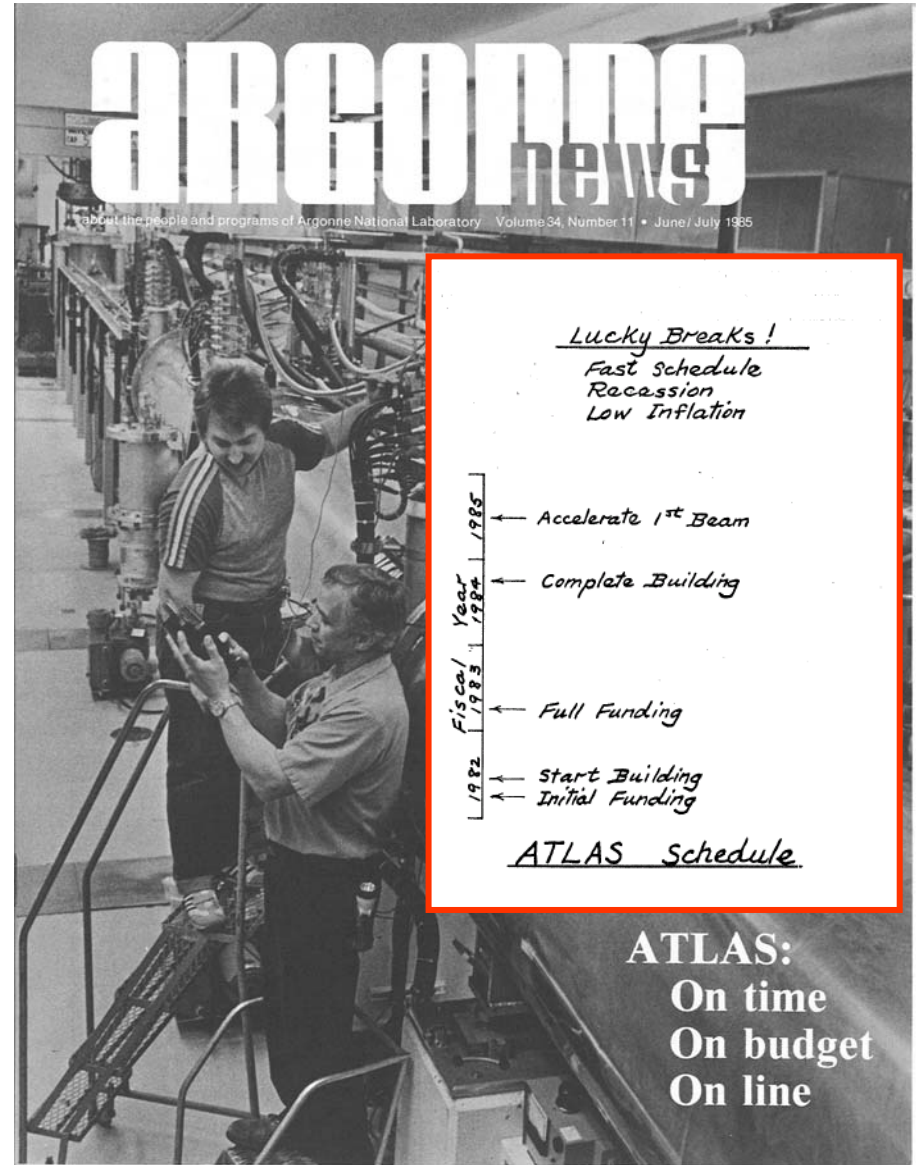
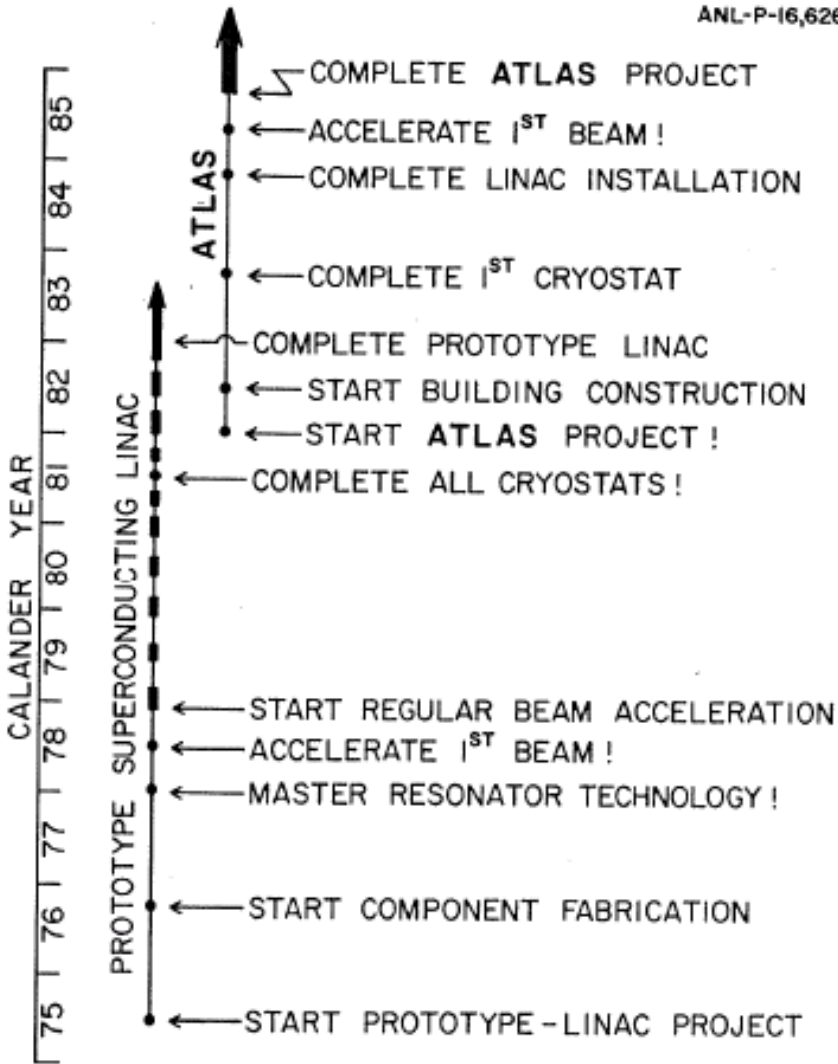
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(SUPER  
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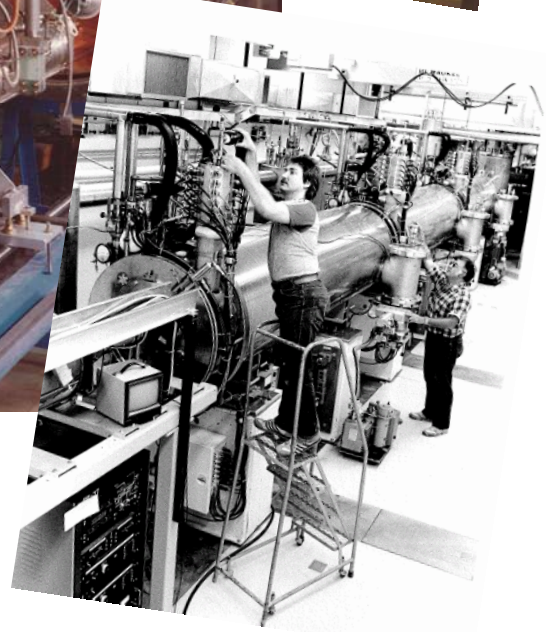
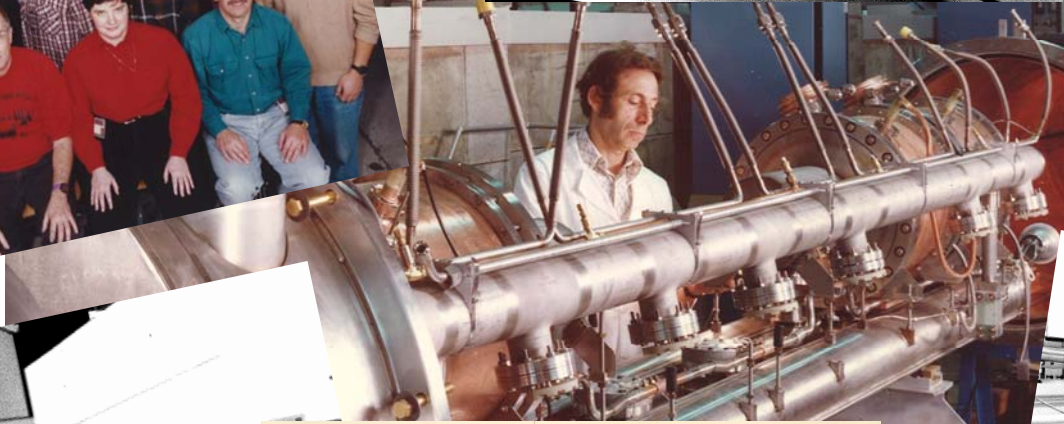
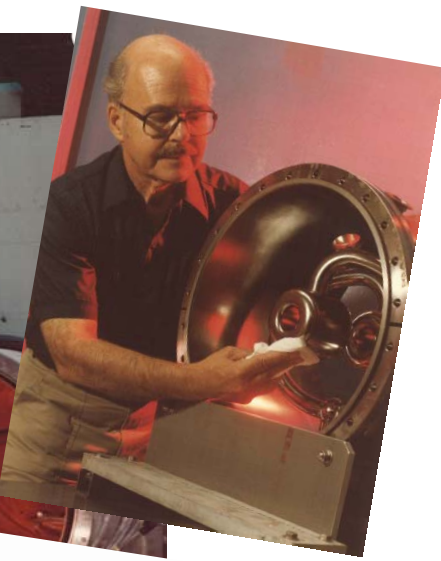
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3 Cryostats in

ADVANCED PHOTON SOURCE  
PHOTON SOURCE BUILDING  
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# ATLAS



The New ATLAS Addition

The World's First  
Superconducting Accelerator  
For Heavy Ions



The construction for the expansion to the complete ATLAS system began in 1982 with the development of the very high beta resonators. A total of 18 new resonator sections were needed for ATLAS. The new accelerator sections have

Lowell M. Bollinger is manager of Argonne's ATLAS project. He is a nuclear physicist who has spent the last 10 years developing the Argonne superconducting linac.



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# ATLAS DEDICATION

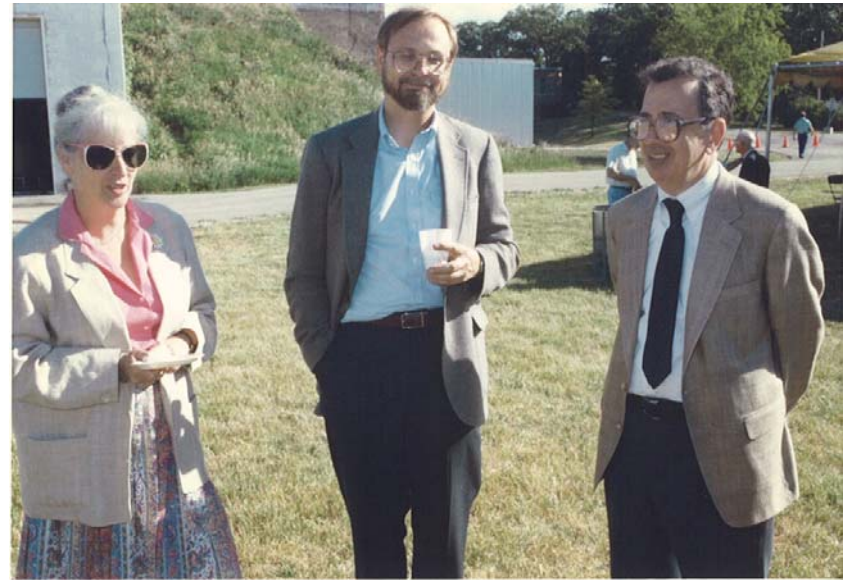
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By Lowell M. Bollinger

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an inexperienced and understaffed development team. To many people, the new machine had little or no chance of working. But it did, and it does, and it will soon grow up to be ATLAS (the Argonne Tandem-Linear

Argonne

Accelerator System), a national nuclear-physics research facility.

When completed, ATLAS will be a world-class machine. Scientists from all over the world will use it to expand the boundaries of research into the forces that hold together atomic nuclei. The Argonne-developed technology on which it is based is already enabling universities and other organizations to upgrade their experimental programs inexpensively by adding superconducting accelerator modules to their existing tandem Van de Graaff accelerators.

The story of ATLAS began in the early 1970s. About this time, nuclear-physics programs at Argonne and other leading institutions were feeling the limits of then-current accelerator technology. The range of particle sizes and energies from the major nuclear-physics tools of the time — tandem Van de Graaffs and cyclotrons — were too limited for the kinds of experiments needed to further expand research frontiers.

The standard solution was tried first: we sought funds for larger and better tandems and cyclotrons. In the end these efforts failed, and it became clear that a bolder ap-

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Progress through  
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## Division of Nuclear Physics

# The 1986 Tom W. Bonner Prize

## Lowell M. Bollinger

*For his contributions to and leadership in the development of the superconducting linear accelerator for the production of high-quality ion beams, a new technology that broadens the base for nuclear structure research."*

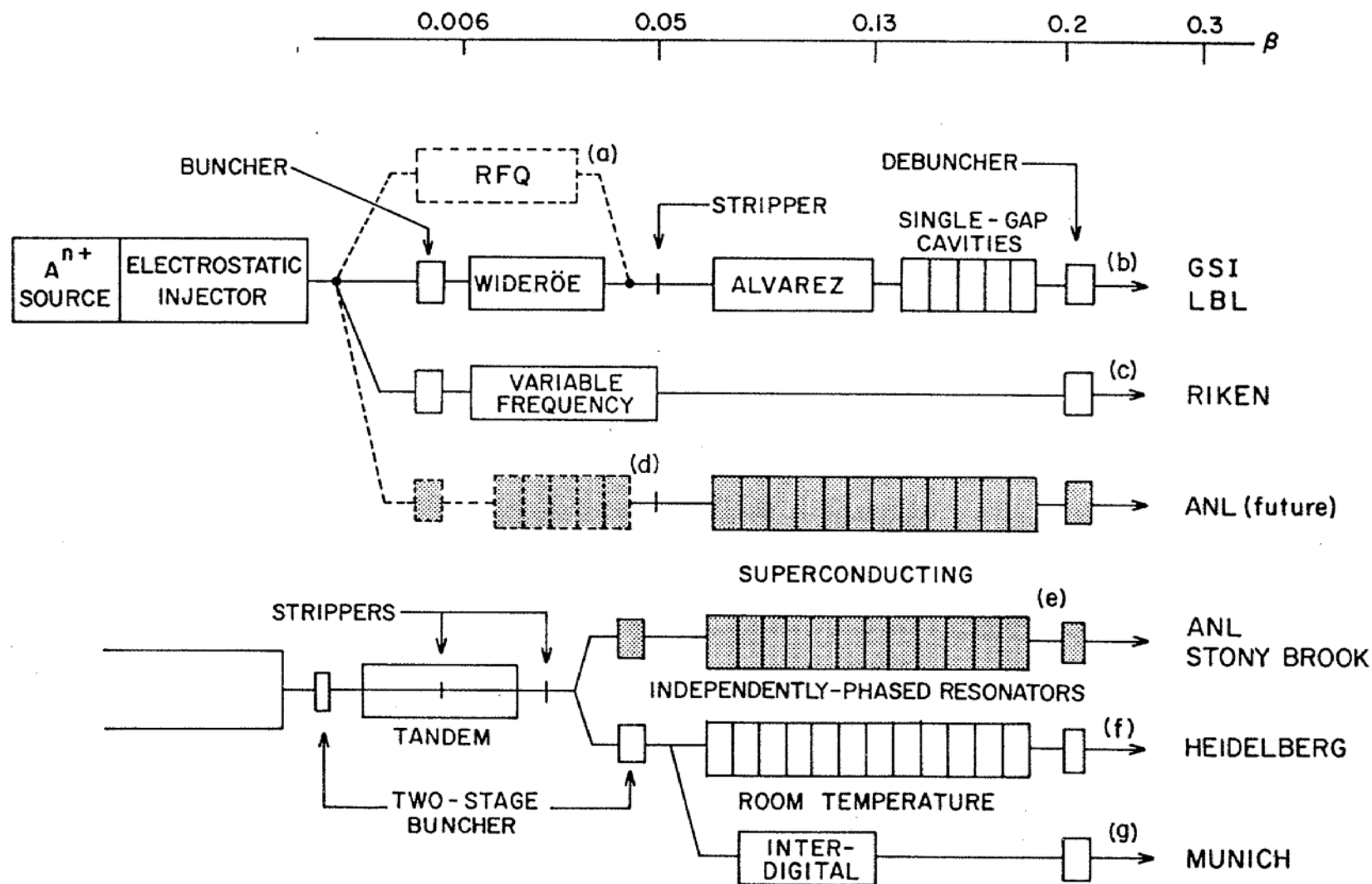


## THIRD WORKSHOP ON RF SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

September 14-18, 1987

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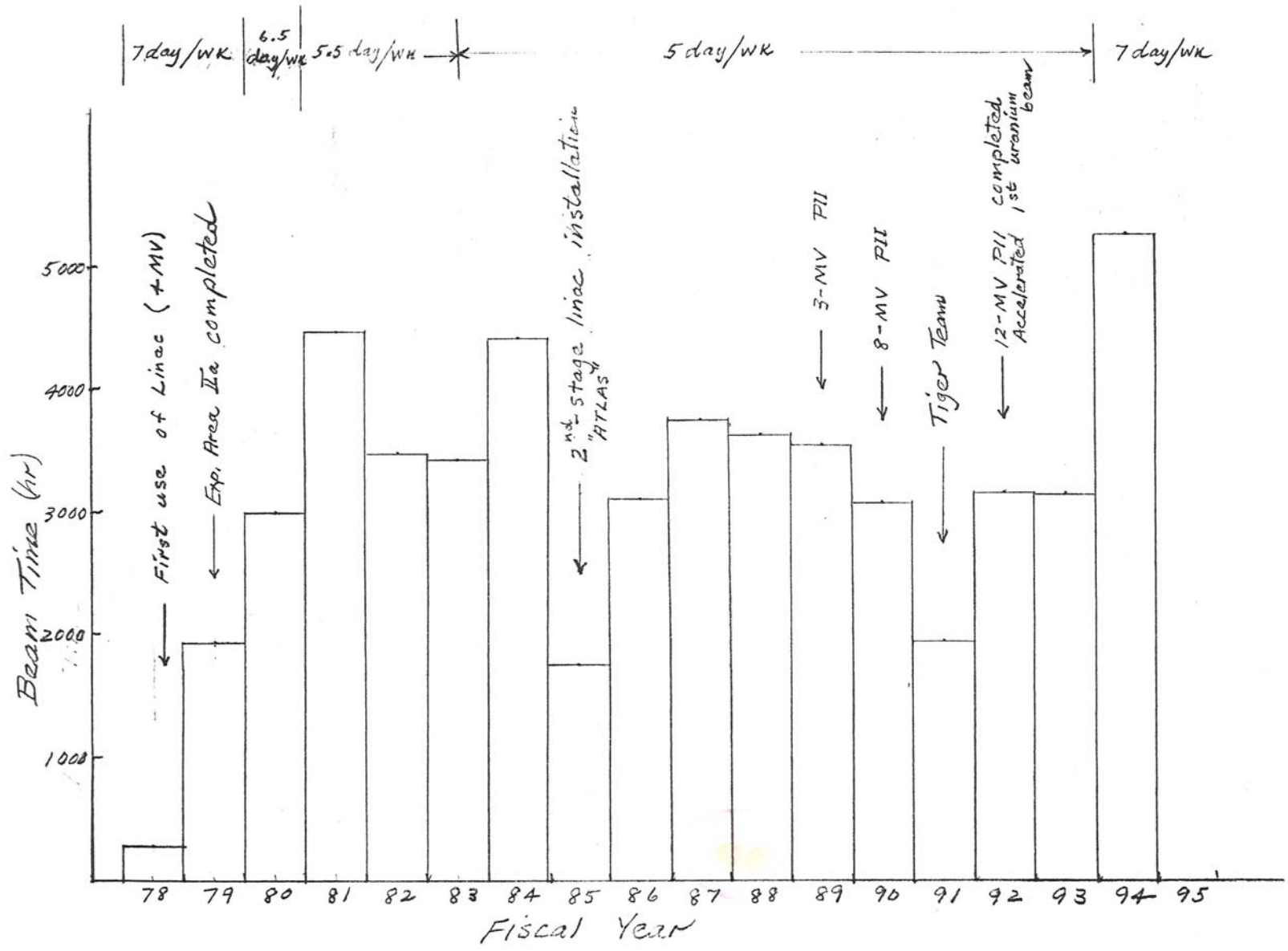


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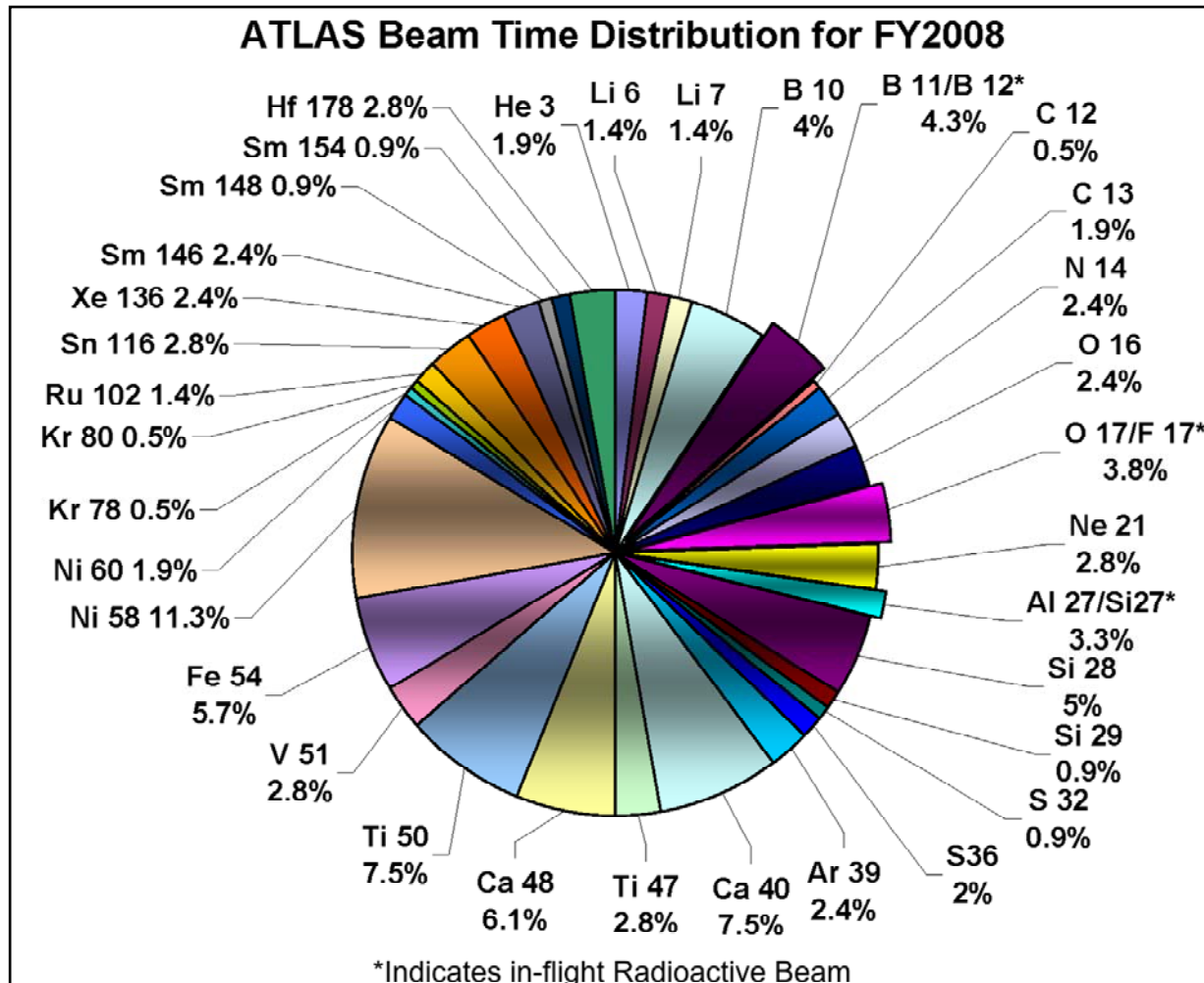
## Bollinger Bash 1993



Beam Time include Research and Machine Development



# ATLAS Delivered Beams for FY2008



**34 Different Isotopes**

**\*11.6%(650 hours) of beam time for Exotic Beams**



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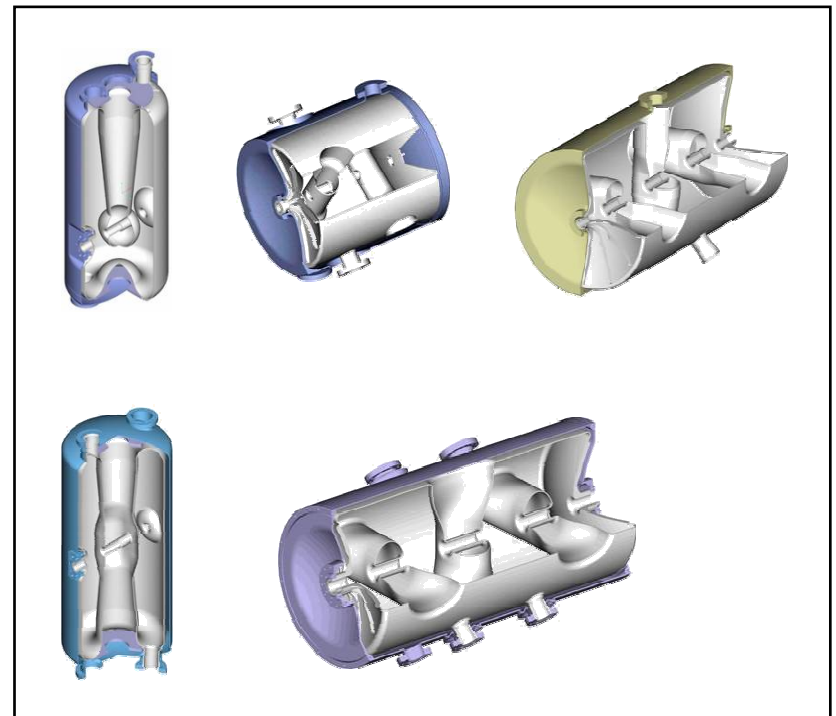
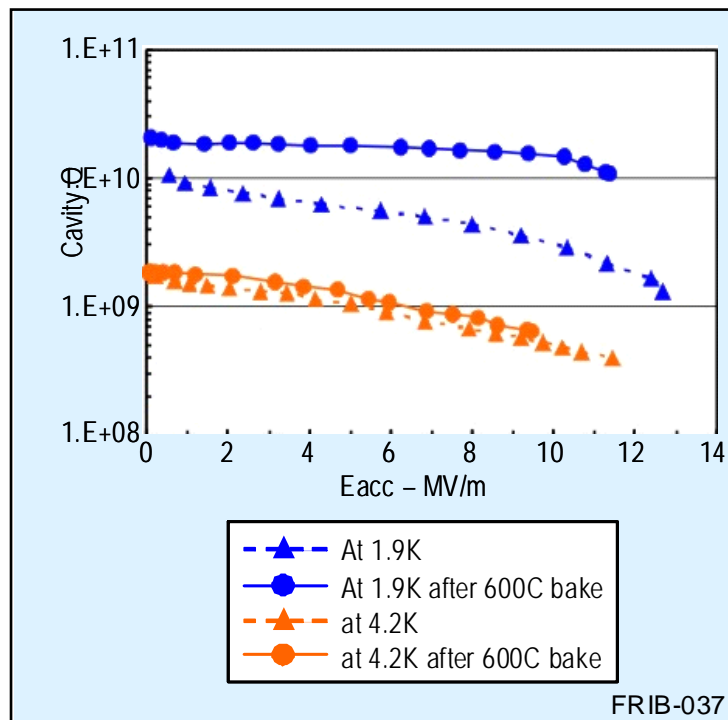
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# Five Prototyped Cavities for FRIB

- SC cavities covering the velocity range  $0.12 < v/c < 0.8$  have been developed and tested
- Demonstrated surface processing procedures have reduced refrigeration power consumption by a factor of 2, a 4 MW savings



# Superconducting Resonator Processing Facilities

- Joint Argonne/Fermilab surface treatment facility constructed at Argonne
  - A general-purpose facility with chemical polish, electro-polish, high-pressure rinse, and clean assembly capability
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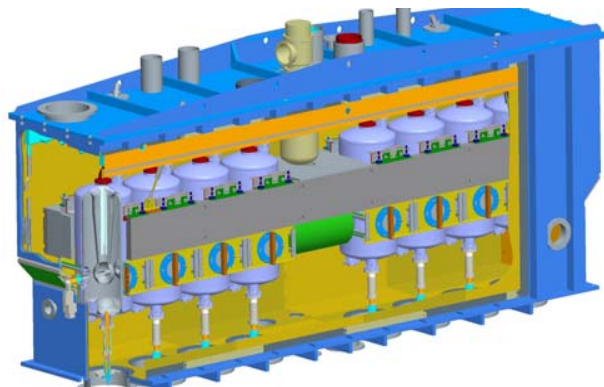
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# ATLAS Energy Upgrade (completed)



# ARRA Intensity Upgrade (under construction)

## Applications of high-intensity SRF linacs

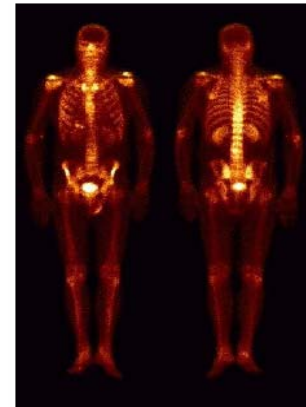
### Nuclear Medicine:

Radioisotopes for diagnostics and treatment

- **Established diagnostics** (e.g.,  $^{99}\text{Mo}$ , plus... 110 radioisotopes sold by CORAR): critical shortage expected due to aging reactors
- **New radioisotopes** (e.g.,  $^{225}\text{Ac}$ ,  $^{213}\text{Bi}$ ...) for **research and clinical trials**

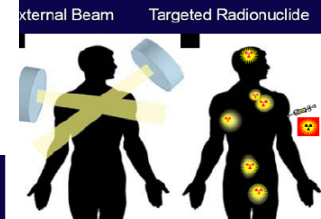
E.g., localized cytotoxicity (pairing short range of alpha particles with cell-specific molecular targeting). Shortage impedes full implementation of targeted radiopharmaceutical therapeutics

[National Cancer Institute, April 2008; DOE/NSAC Isotopes Sub-Committee, [www.sc.doe.gov/np/nsac/docs](http://www.sc.doe.gov/np/nsac/docs), April 2009].



### Emerging Trends in Radiotherapy

- 1 Better match radiation field to tumor dimensions
- 2 More potent radiation to increase effectiveness



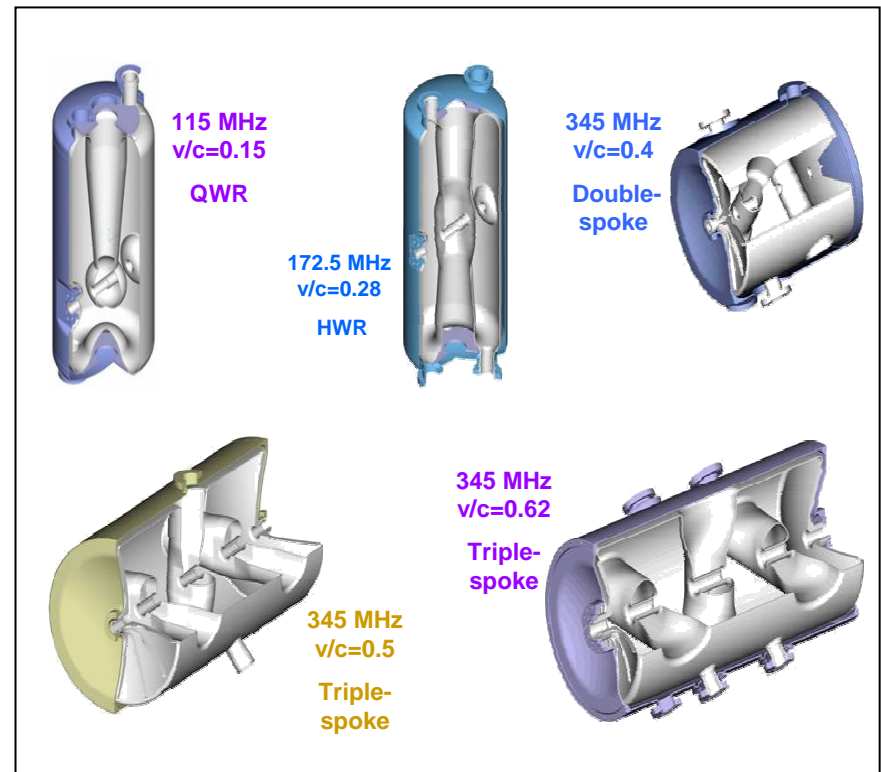
#### Advantages of Targeted Radiotherapy

- Potentially can be applied to:
  - Tumor sites not detectable by imaging
  - Multi-focal disease
  - Simultaneous application to primary and metastatic disease

Short range, high LET  $\alpha$ -particles

# Superconducting Ion-Beam Linacs – Technology for Science and Applications

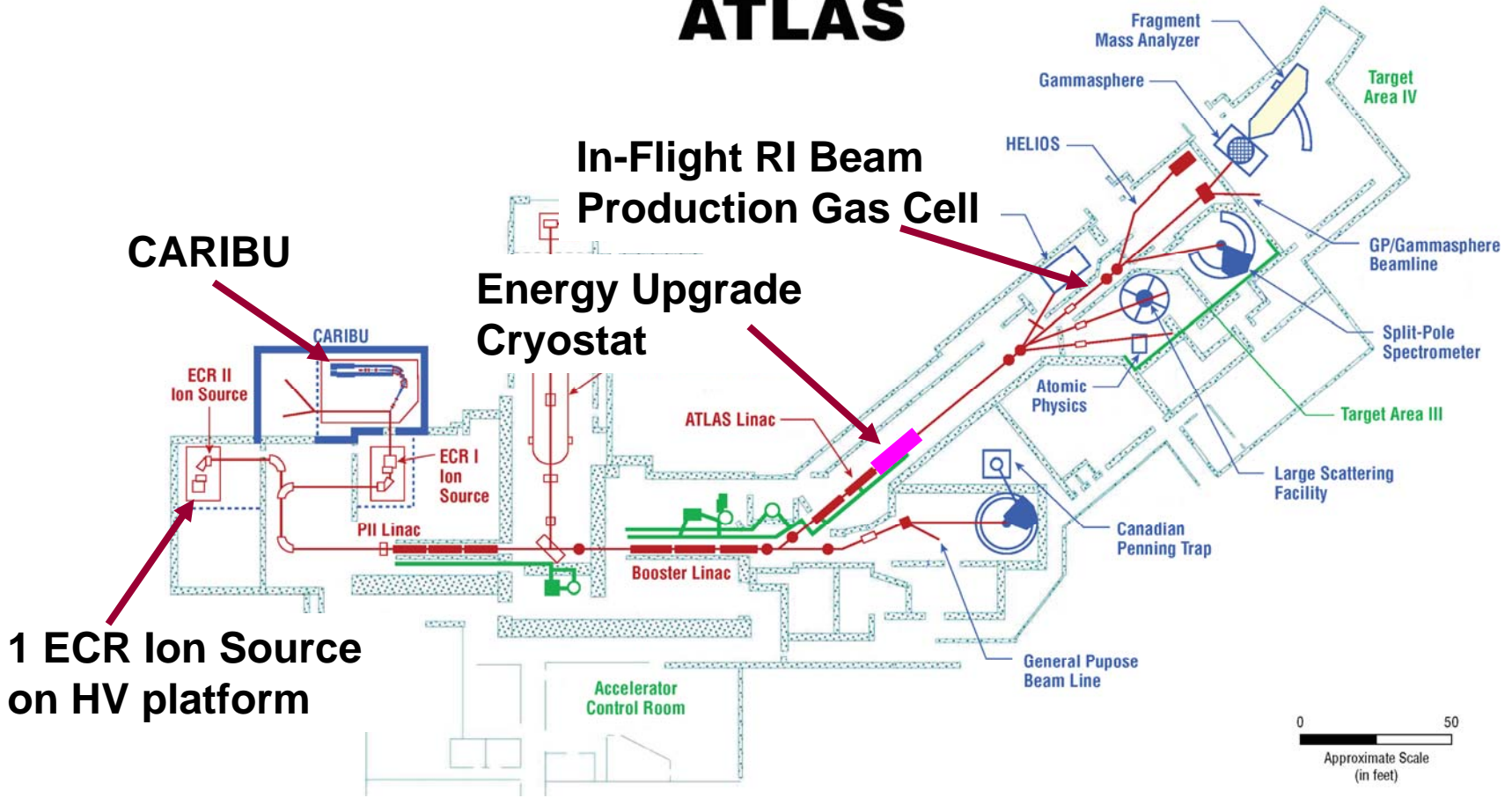
- SRF technology for ion-beam linacs now efficient, reliable, cost-effective
- High-power light-ion (proton) beams for the full MeV to GeV range
- Medium and high beam energies require excellent cavity performance ( $Q$ ,  $E_{\text{acc}}$ ,  $B_{\text{surf}}$ , ...)
- Use of SRF linacs well-established in scientific research
- Less so for applications in the private sector and industry



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