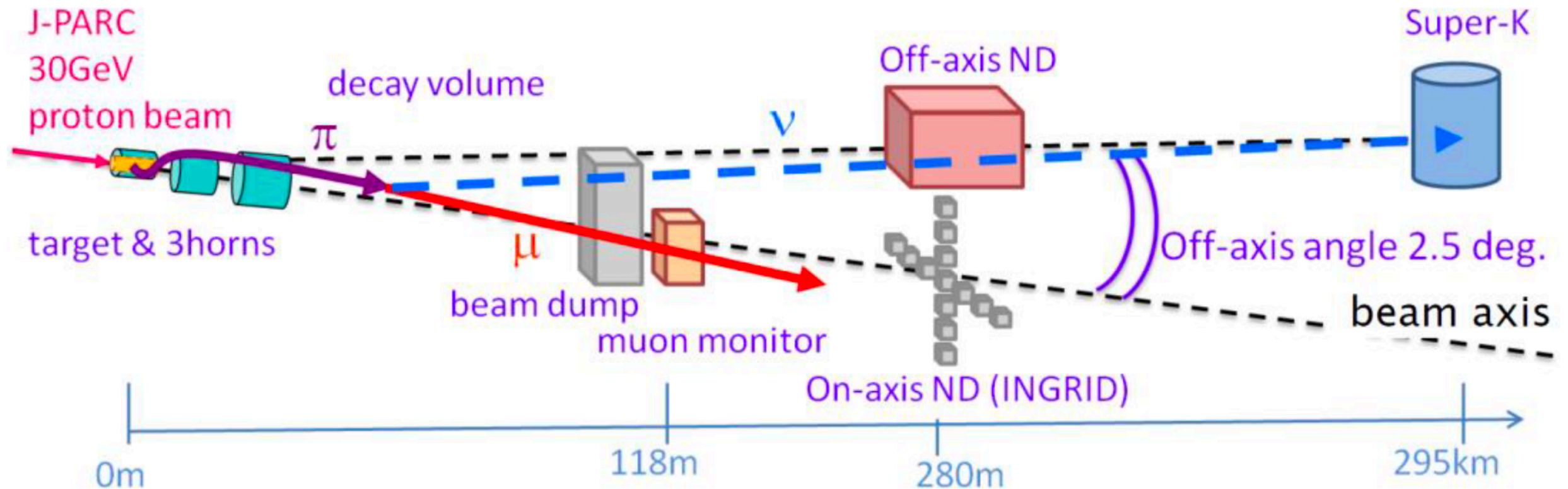


# J-PARC OTR Monitor

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2019/Oct/23

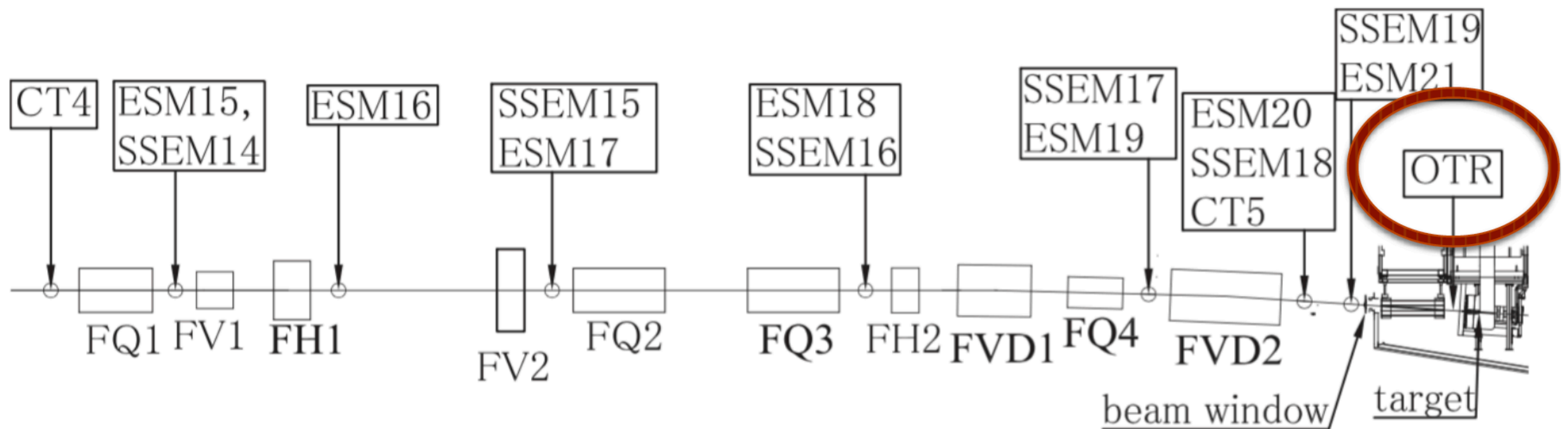
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# The T2K Experiment

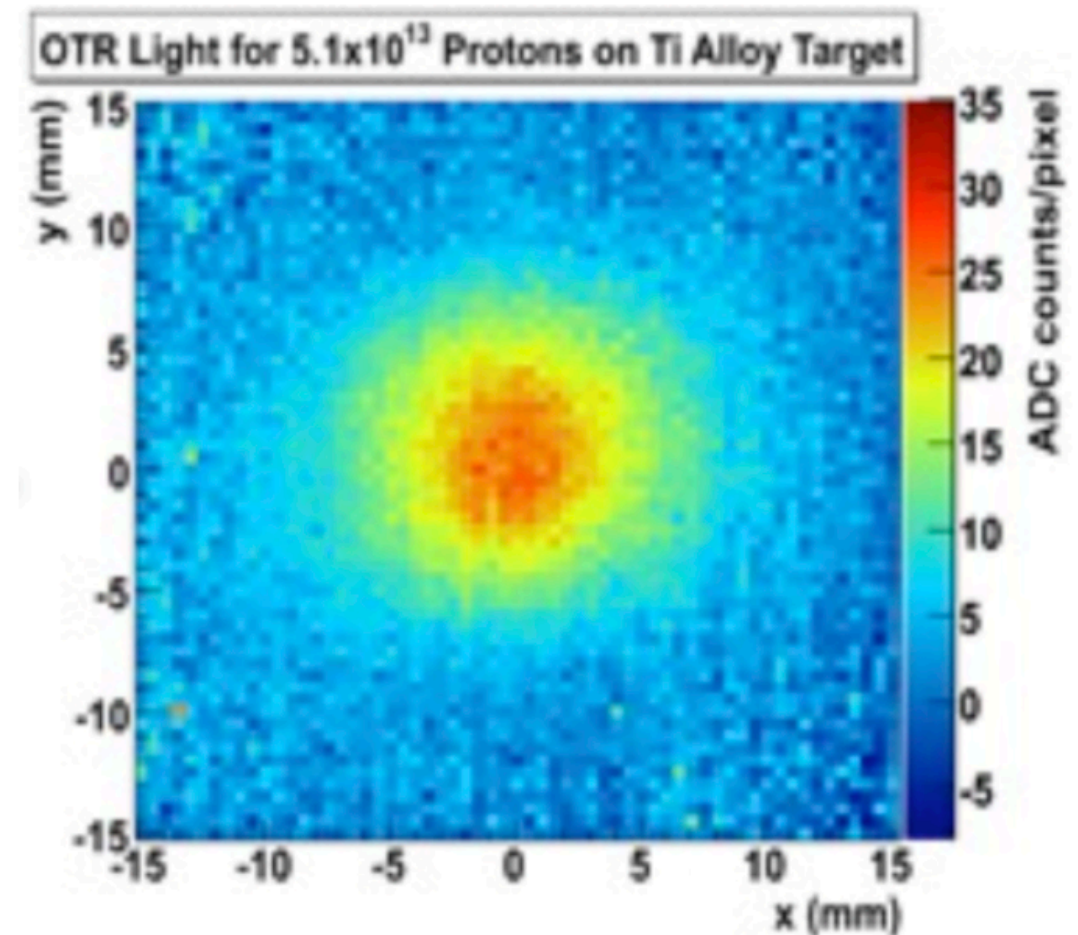


- 30 GeV proton beam hits a graphite target and produces  $\pi$ 's and K's.
- 3 magnetic horns focus the  $\pi$ 's and K's to select the beam mode ( $\nu$  or  $\bar{\nu}$ ).
- Off-axis near detectors measure the un-oscillated flux ( $\sim 0.6$  GeV narrow beam).
- Off-axis far detector, Super-Kamiokande, measures the oscillated spectrum, 295 km from neutrino source.

# The T2K Beam Monitors

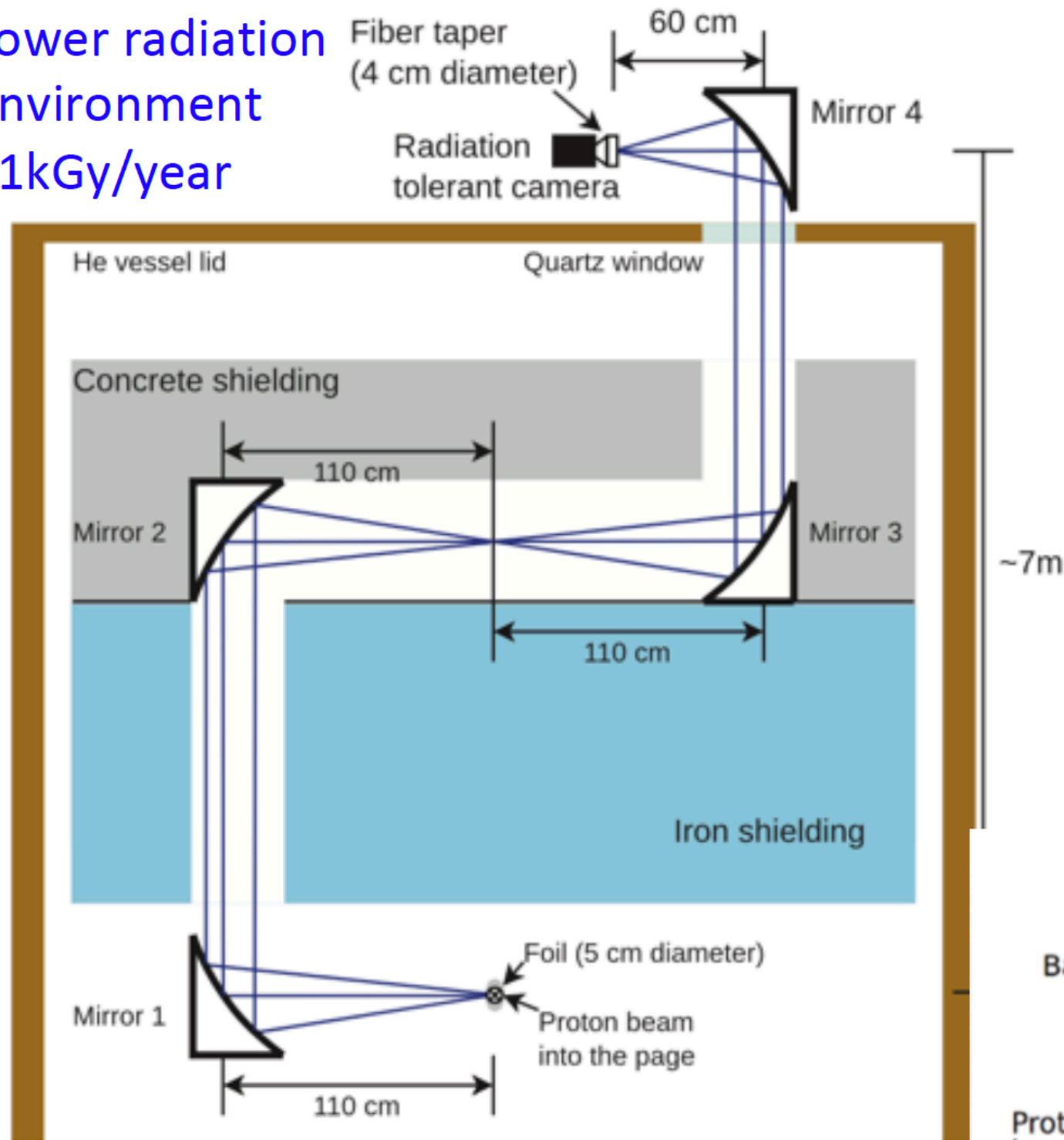


- Beam position is reconstructed using ESMs, SSEMs and the OTR monitors.
- The Optical Transition System (OTR) monitor is the last proton beam monitor (30 cm) before the target.
- Beam profile measurements are used for beam commissioning, online monitoring and neutrino flux prediction.



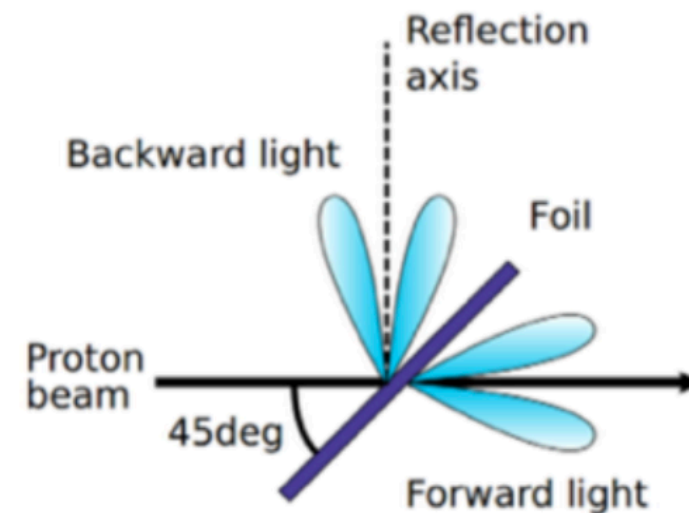
# The Optical Transition Radiation System

Lower radiation environment  
~1kGy/year

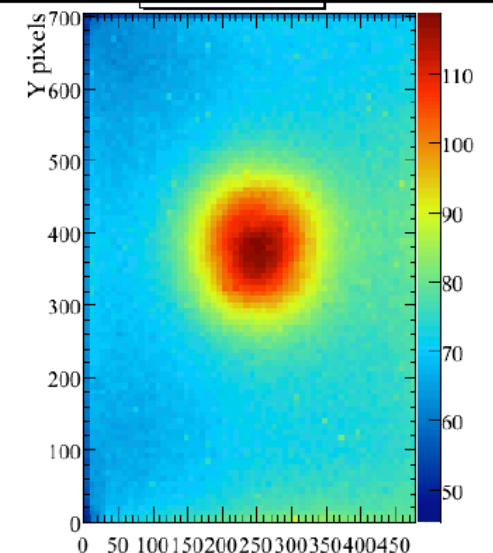


High radiation environment (~5e8 Sv/h)

- Proton Beam hits a 50  $\mu\text{m}$ -thick Ti foil at 45° and produces optical transition light 90° relative to proton beam direction.
- Light is then transported to a camera in the He vessel shielding by 4 parabolic mirrors.



2D proton beam profile by camera

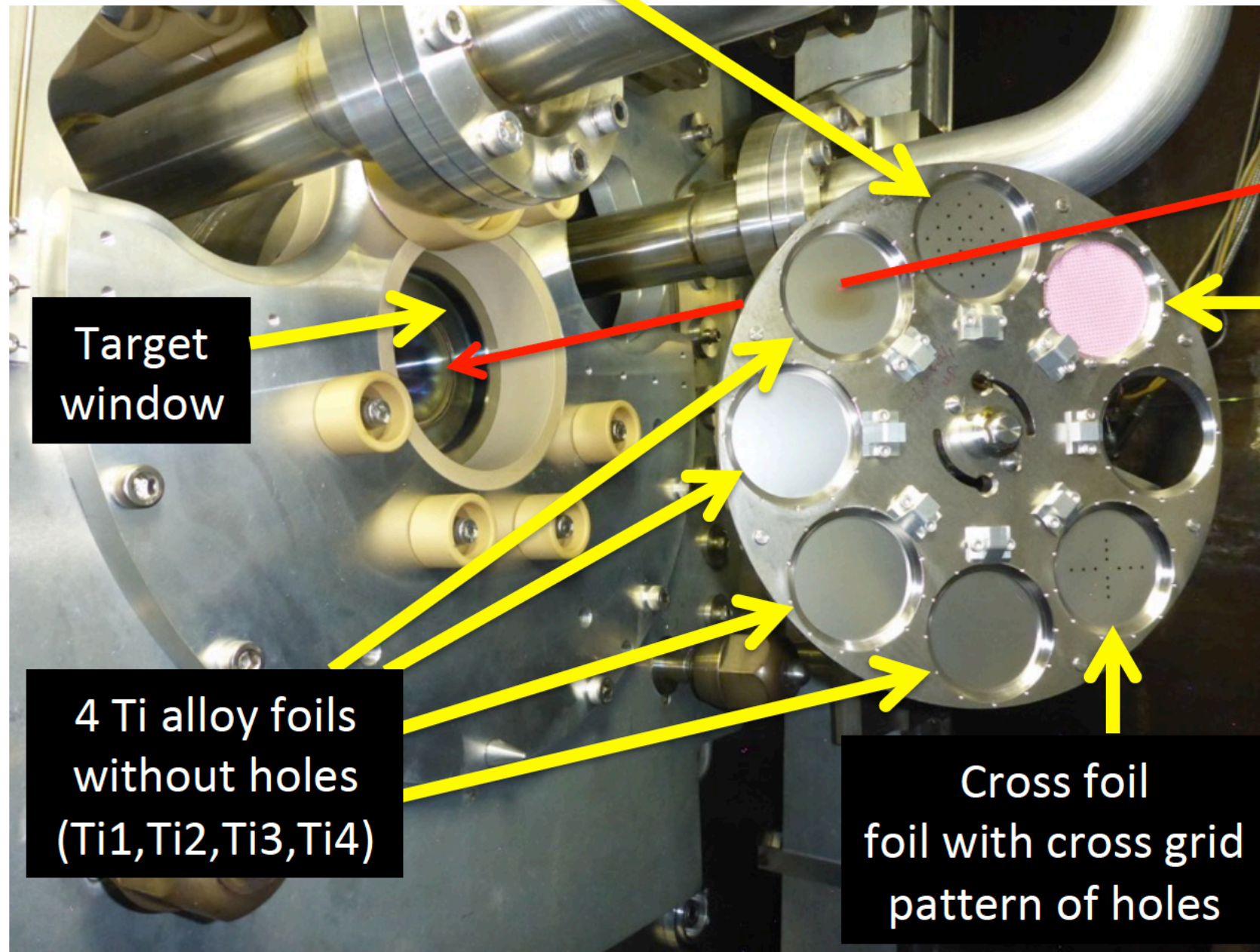




# The OTR Foil Disk

Calibration foil with well known grid pattern of holes

Visible foil darkening due to  $5 \times 10^{20}$  Proton On Target (~2015)



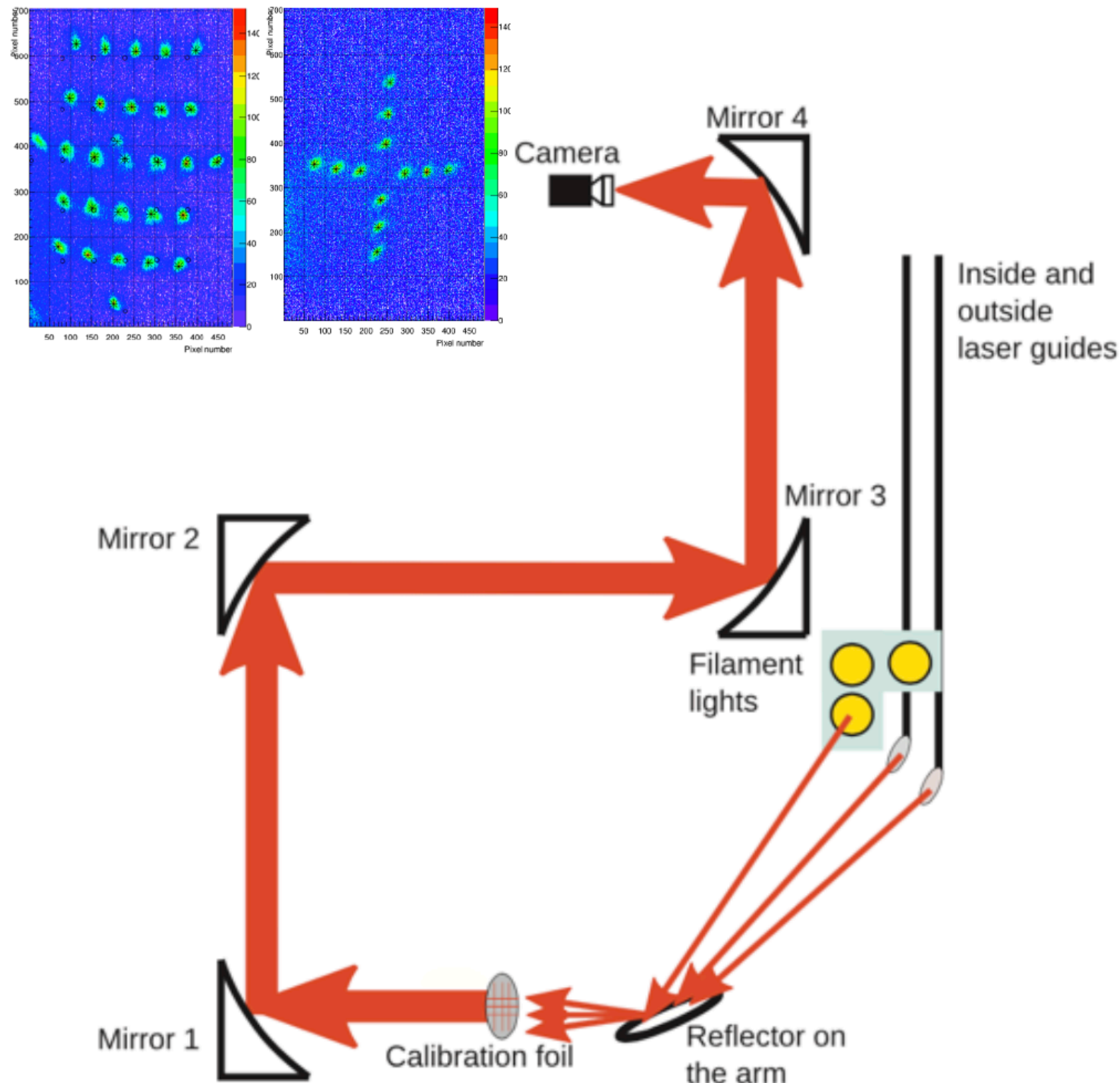
Proton beam path

Ceramic foil for low beam intensity (up to 40 kW)

- OTR Foil Disk is rotated remotely.
- 8 different foils allow for different running modes.

# OTR Calibration

## Calibration and cross foils images

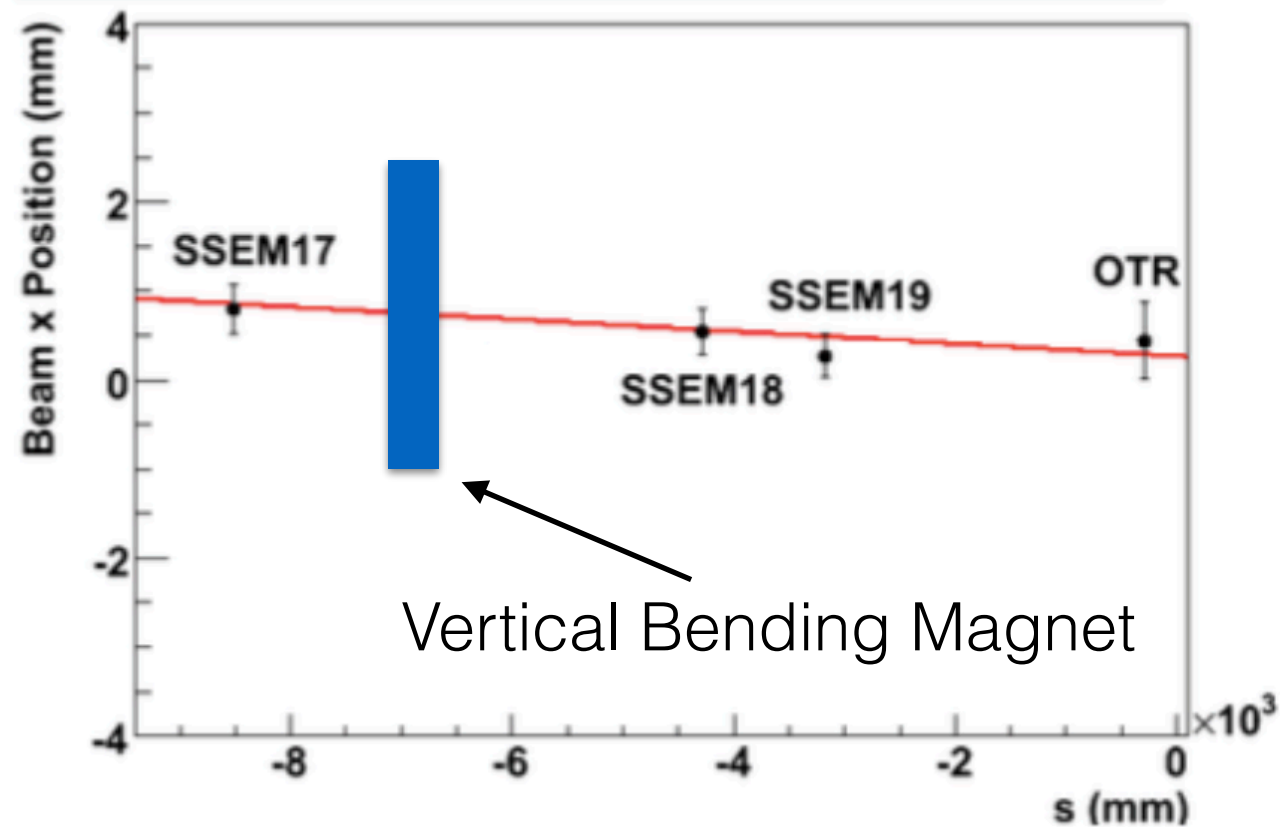


- Holes in Calibration and Cross foils were surveyed relative to Horn 1 axis position and are used for calibration/monitoring.
- **Calibration Foil:** Used with filament or laser light for absolute position and correction of optical distortion caused by parabolic mirrors.
- **Cross Foil:** Used for calibration with OTR light.

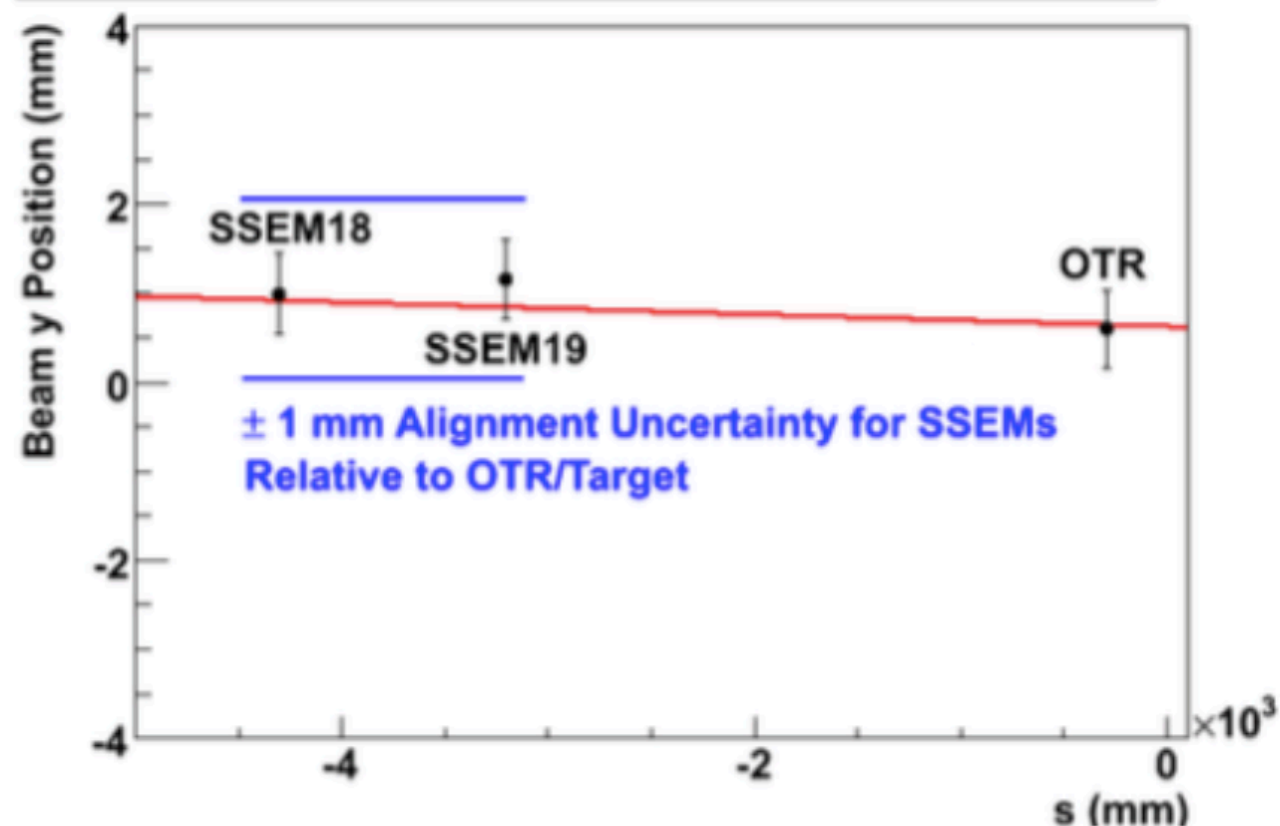


# OTR Impact on Beam Profile

Example Fit to Proton Monitors for x at the Target (s=0 mm)



Example Fit to Proton Monitors for y at the Target (s=0 mm)



- Proton Beam Monitor measurements are used to extrapolate the beam position and angle on the target.
- OTR measurements help to reduce uncertainties (monitor closest to target).
- Biggest impact on beam Y-position uncertainty:

	Extrapolation uncertainty	
	Without OTR	With OTR
Pos. X (mm)	0.5	0.5
Pos. Y (mm)	2.3	0.5
Angle X (mrad)	0.08	0.08
Angle Y (mrad)	0.5	0.3

# OTR History

- **OTR-I:**

- Stable operations during 2009-2013.

- **OTR-II:**

- Built in 2009 as spare system for OTR-I.
- Assembled and aligned in Jan. 2011.
- Operating since 2014.
- Cross-foil is used during data taking since Jan. 2016 (disk flange issue).
- Changed to spare camera on Mar. 2019 due to darkening of fiber taper.
- New Linux DAQ system tested on Mar. 2019. Parallel operation with Windows system expected for Nov. 2019 run.

- **OTR-III:**

- Built in 2013, stored as a spare of OTR-II.
- Assembled and calibrated in 2014.
- Replaced disk flange.

- **OTR-IV:**

- Ready, same as OTR-III.

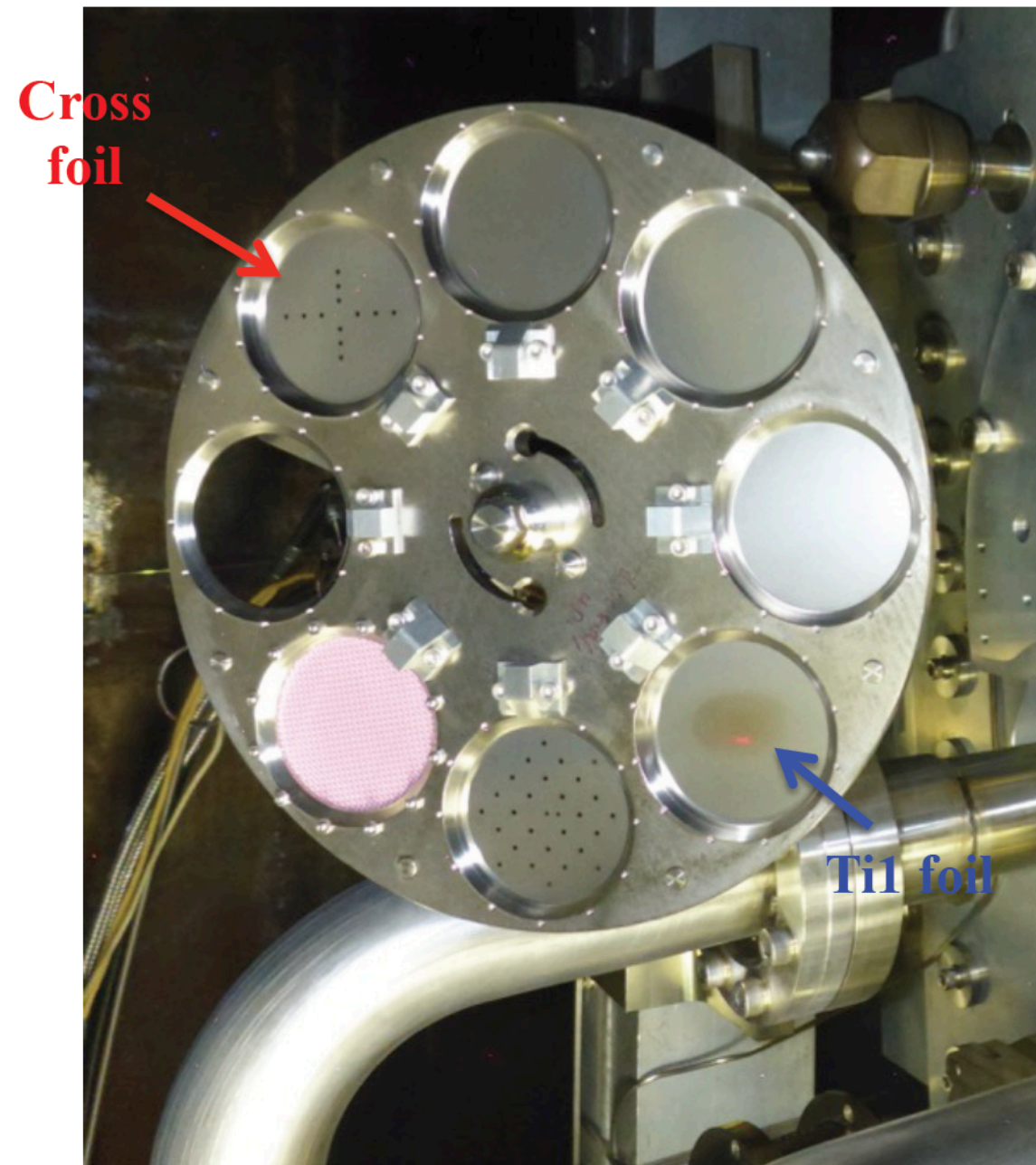


# OTR-II Foil Darkening

August 2015 inspection

Ti1 foil:  $\sim 5 \times 10^{20}$  POT

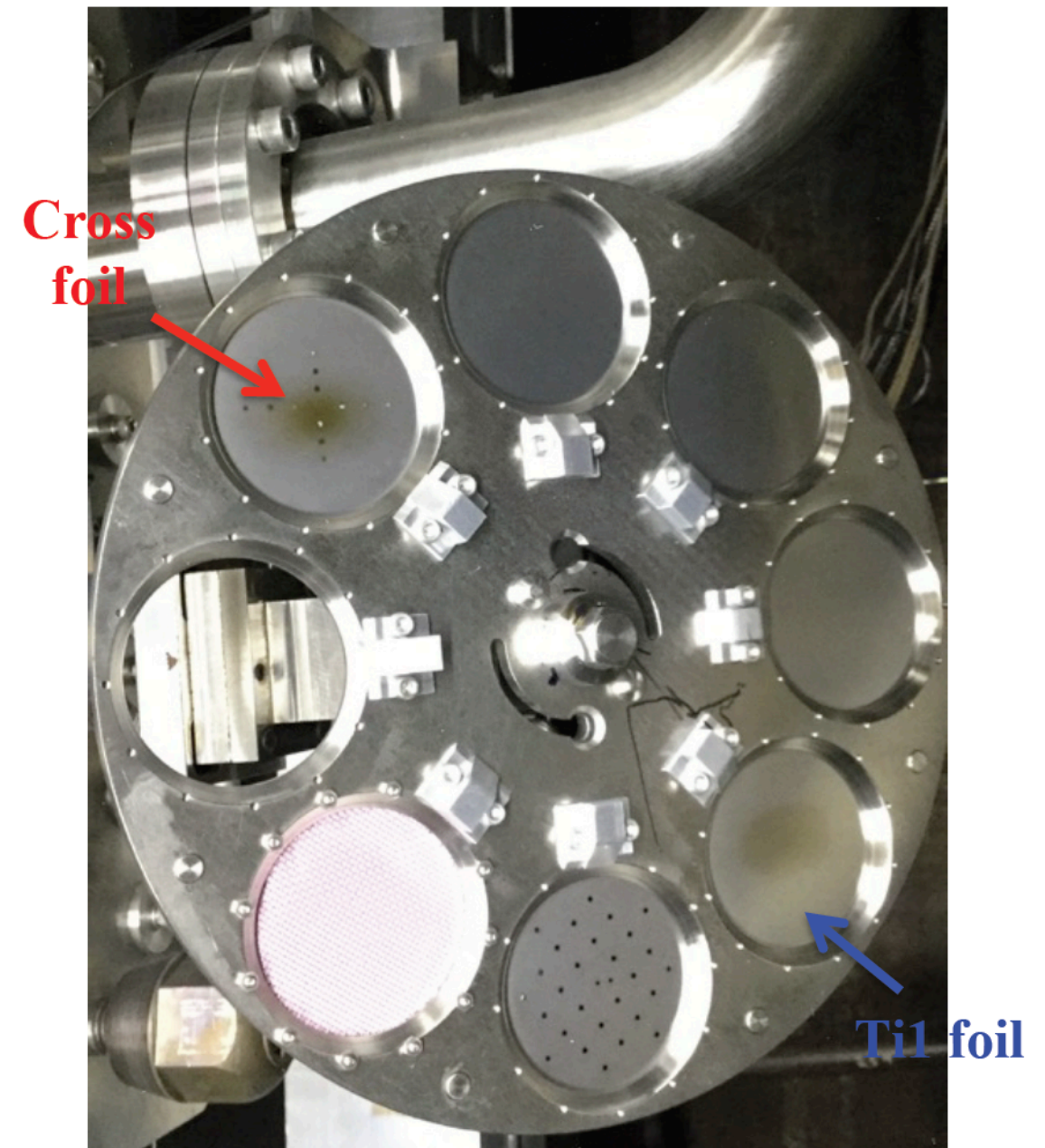
Cross foil:  $\sim 0 \times 10^{20}$  POT



July 2017 inspection

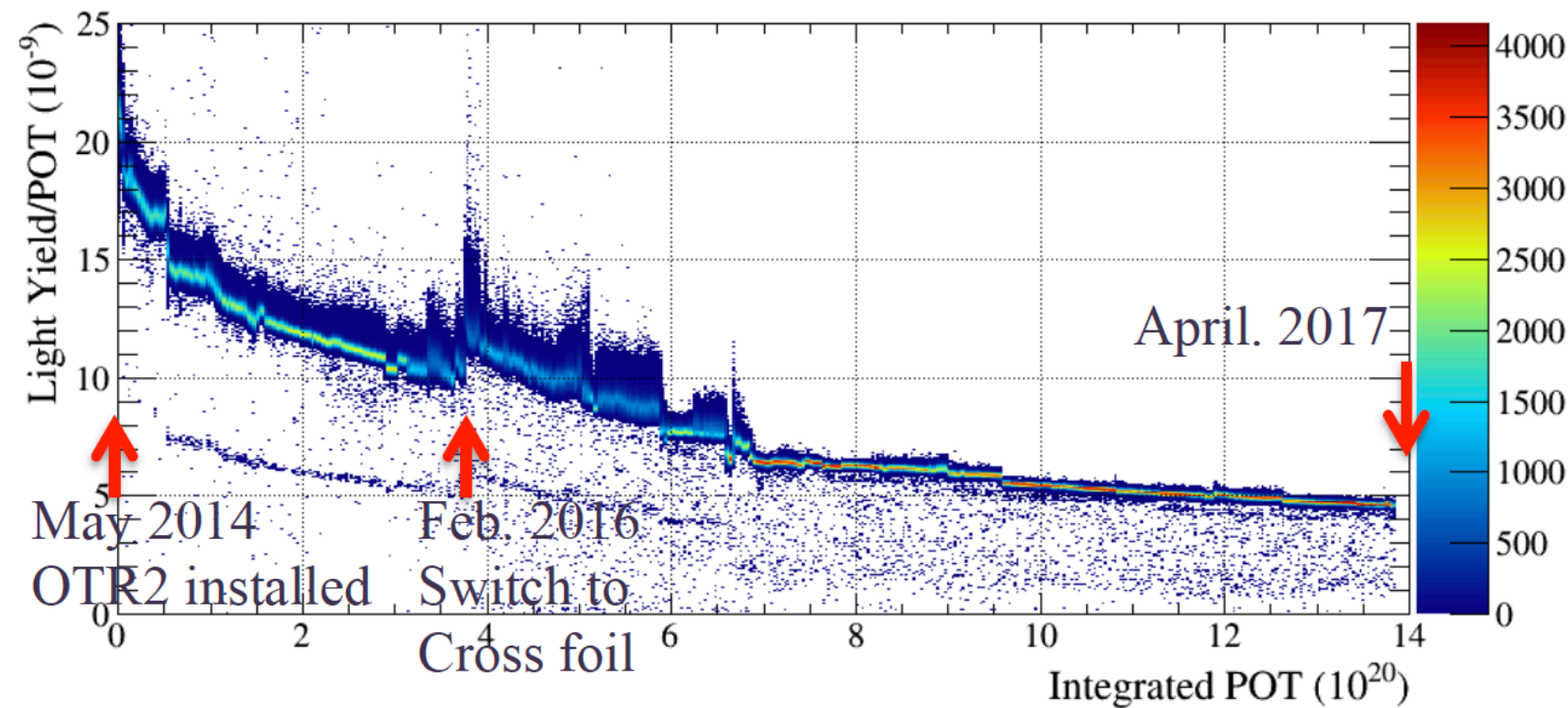
Ti1 foil:  $\sim 5 \times 10^{20}$  POT

Cross foil:  $\sim 11 \times 10^{20}$  POT

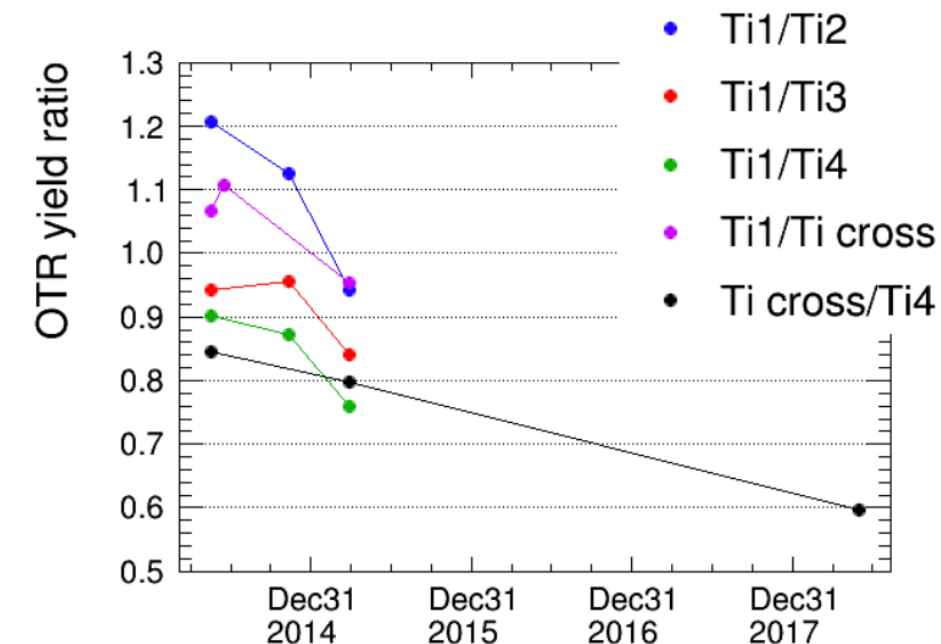
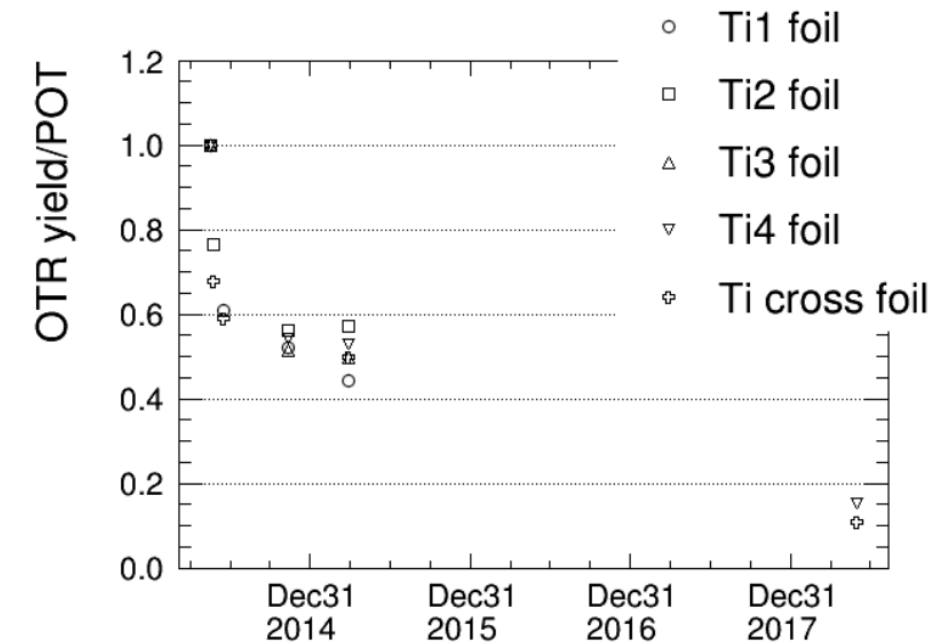


More details on radiation study during Ishida-san's talk this Thursday

# OTR-II Light Yield

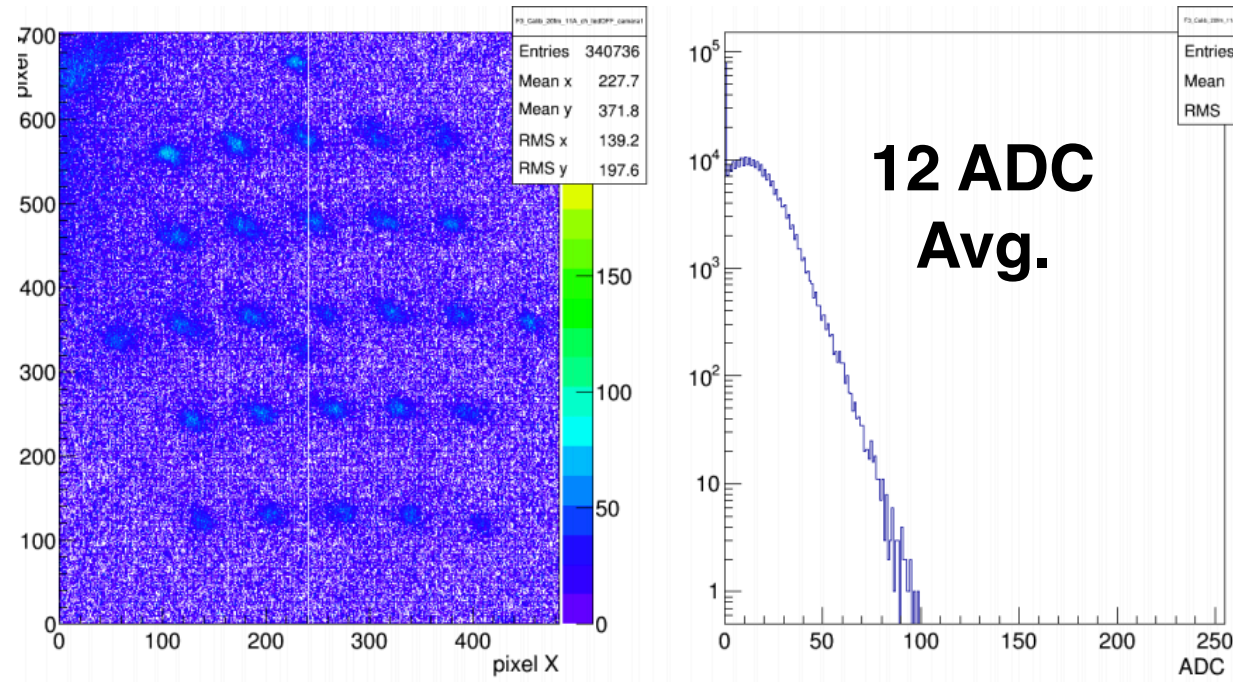


- OTR light yield reduction is seen in all foils.
- Partly due to foil darkening, but main reason is darkening of the fiber taper in front of the camera due to radiation.
- A new camera+taper system was installed this Spring 2019 and it will be used for the coming data taking period Nov. 2019 - Feb 2020.



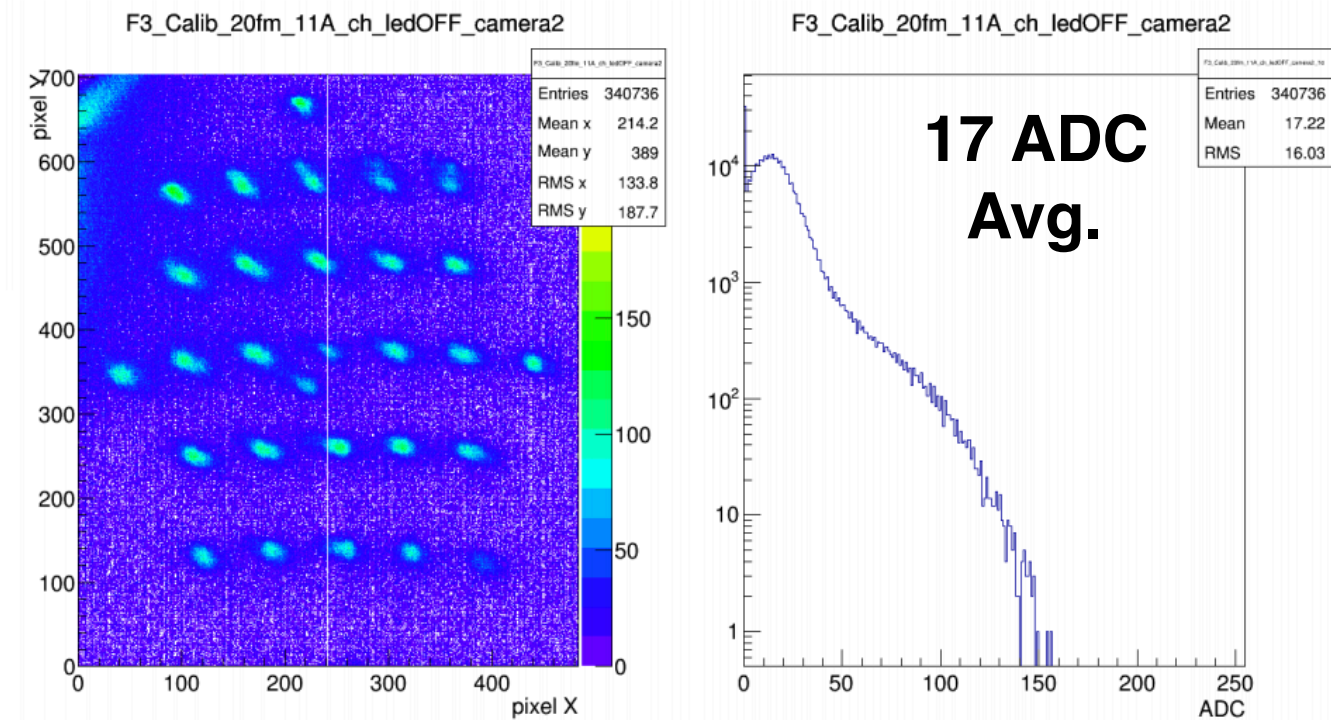


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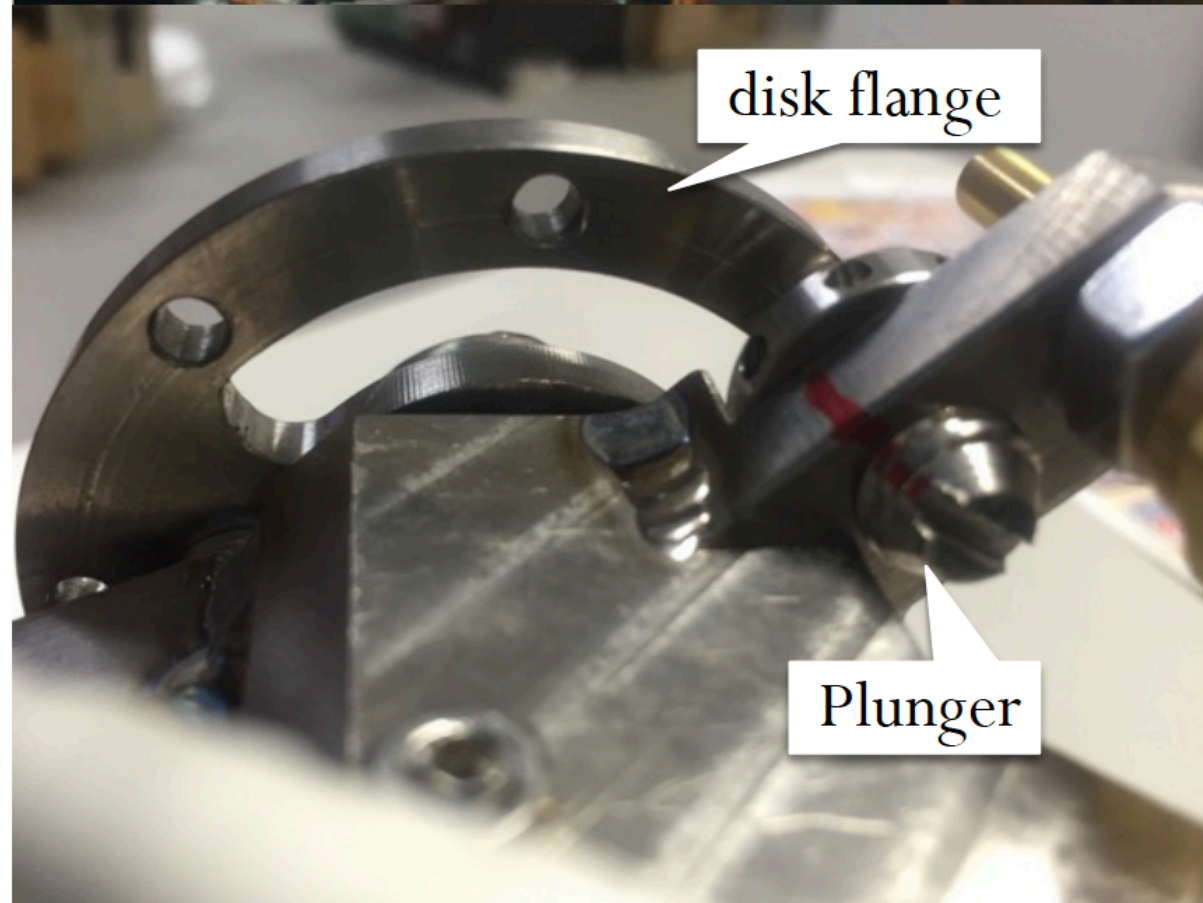
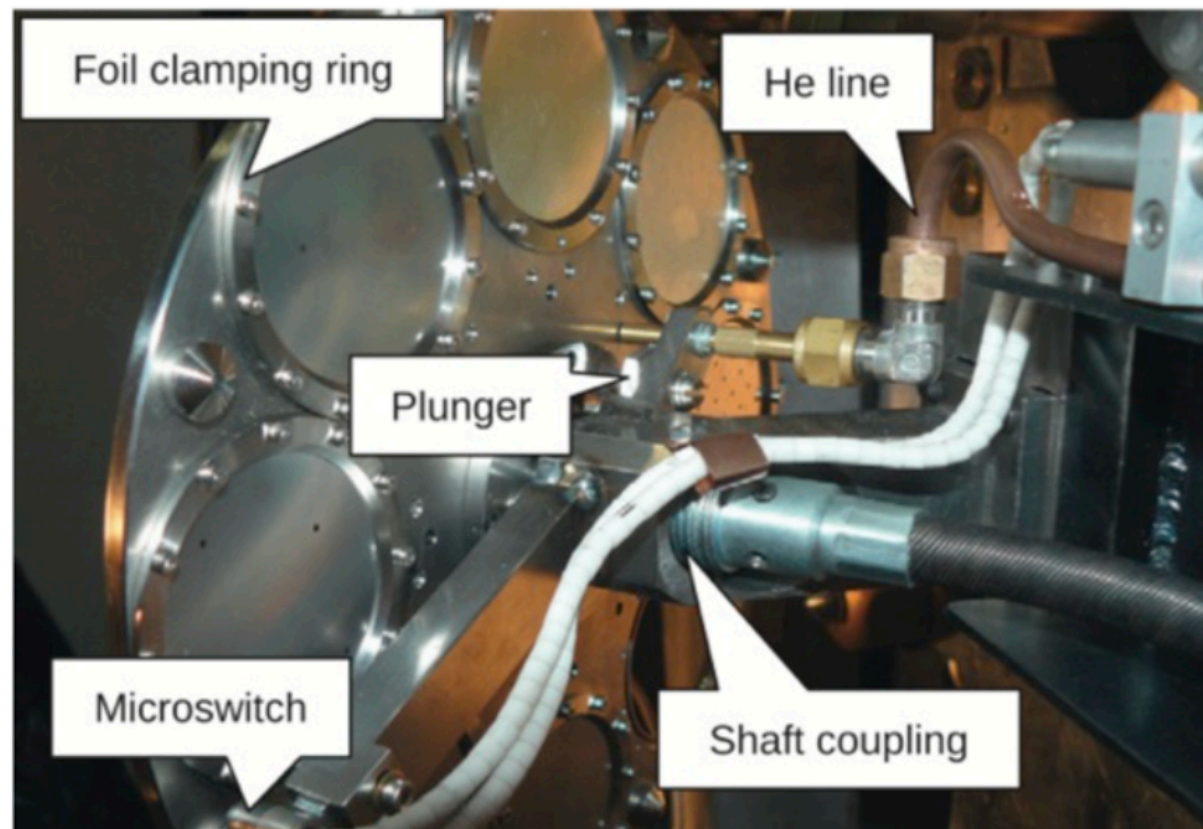


← Old camera

Spare camera →



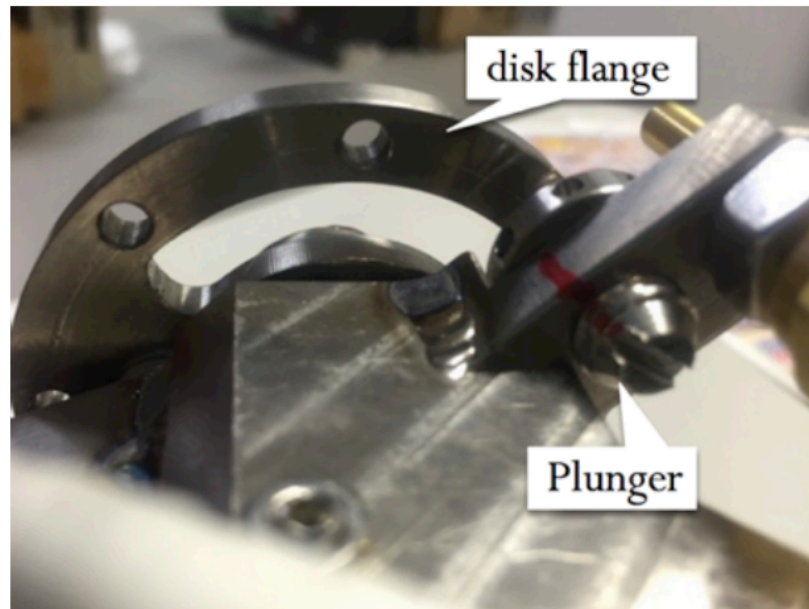
# OTR-II Rotation Mechanism Problem



- Rotations became stiff due to flange/plunger damage:
  - Motor needs more torque for rotating.
  - Observed damage to Ti flange caused by stainless steel plunger ball.
- Reverse rotations are still possible.
- Issue with Microswitch that checks disk position.
- OTR disk is fixed in the cross-foil position during data taking.



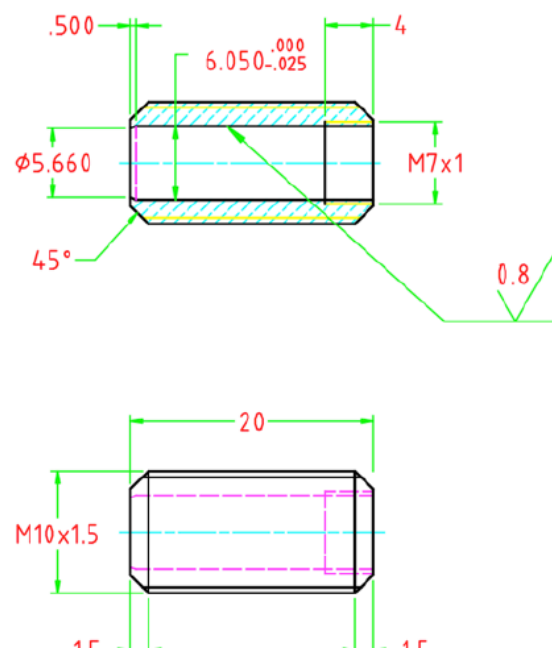
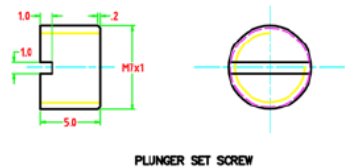
# OTR-III & IV Improved Flange/Plunger



Stainless steel  
commercial  
plunger:

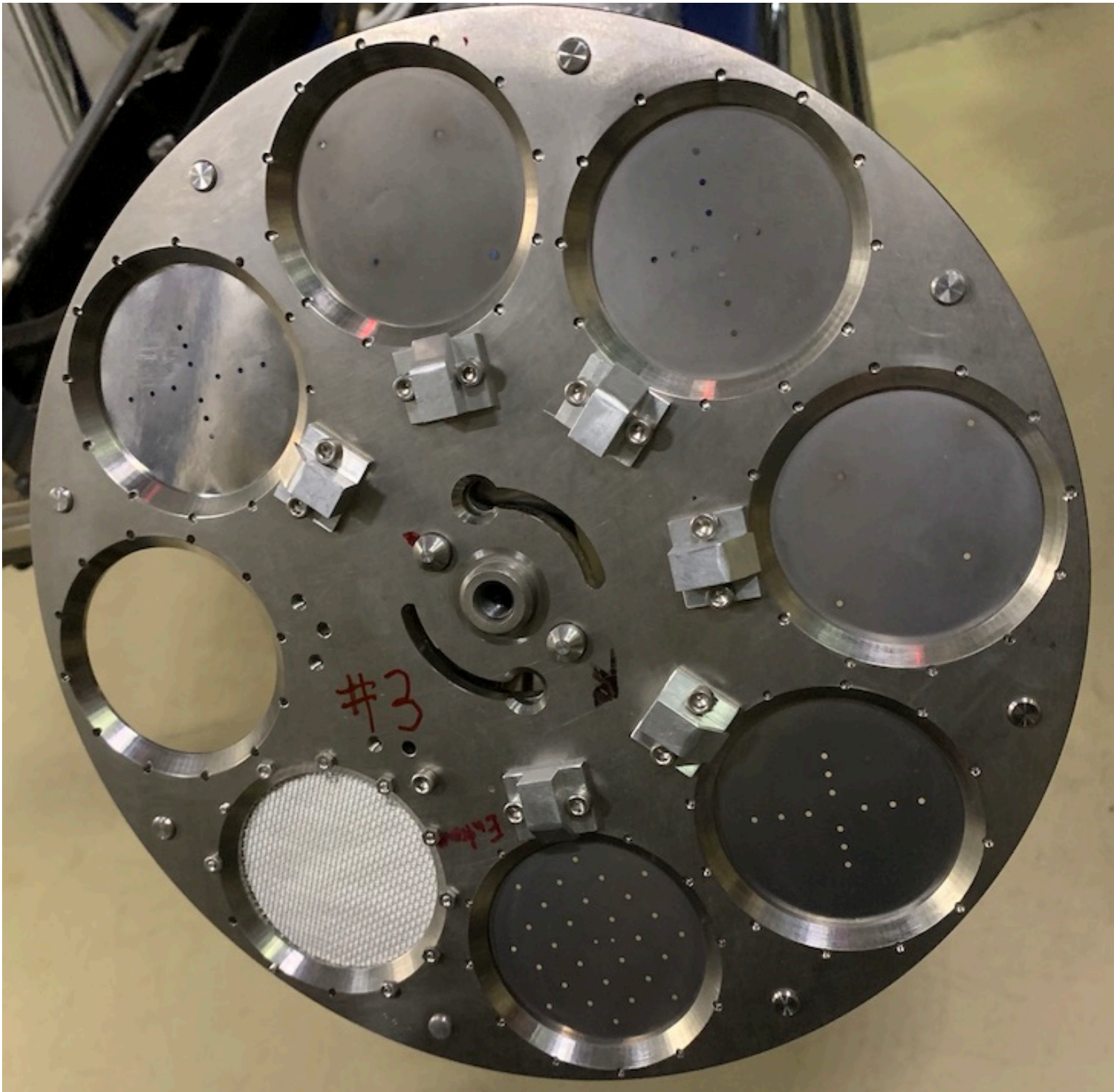


New plunger:



- New custom plunger and disk flanger made of 440C Stainless Steel.
  - Better than commercial plunger and Ti flange of OTR-II.
- Tested for 100 rotations with no evidence of damage.
- No damage is expected in the operation time period.

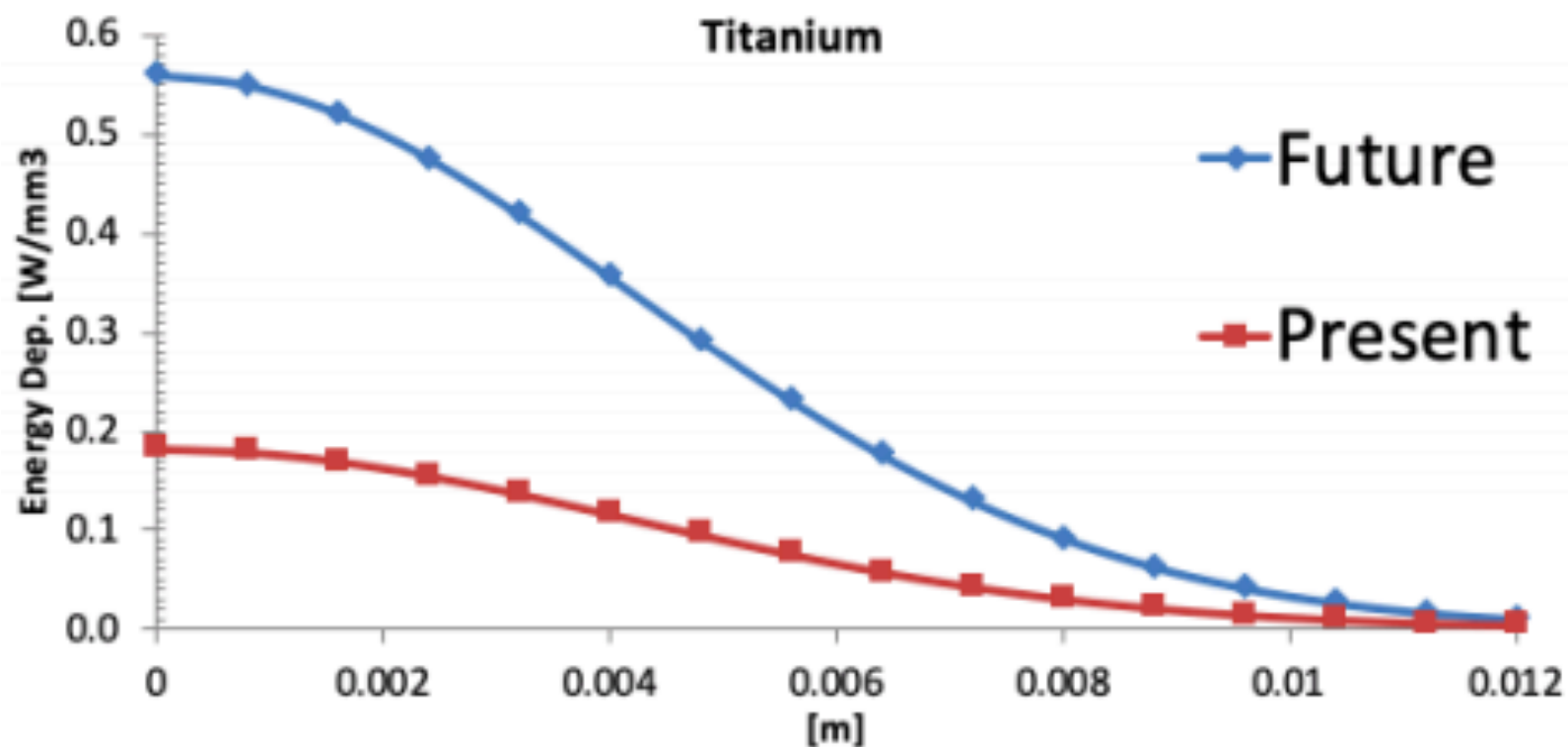
# OTR-III and IV Disks



- Both disks are identical.
- All foils have holes, which allows for position monitoring using filament/laser light.
- Currently, same foil material is installed (Ti-15V-3Cr-3Sn-3Al).
- Ti grade 5 (Ti-6Al-4V) is also being studied and might replace some of the Ti foils.

# Future of OTR in T2K's High Intensity Beam

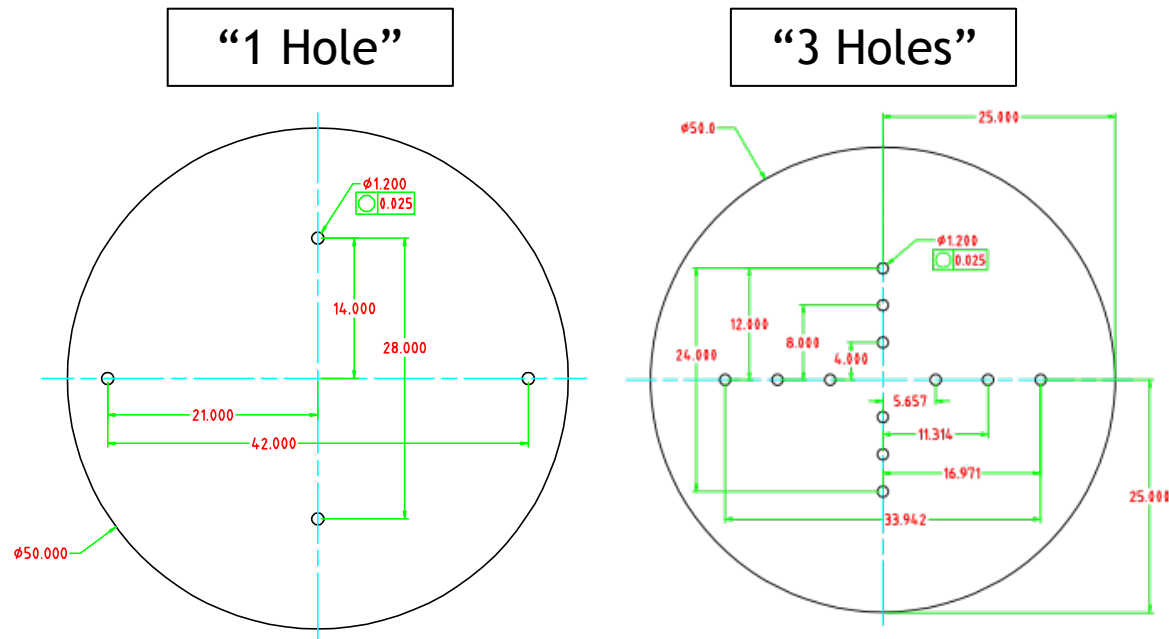
Beam Conditions	Present	Upgrade
Nb. Protons 30 GeV	2.5e14	3.2e14
Repetition Time [s]	2.2	1.16
Beam Energy [MW]	0.545	1.32



- Evaluation of current OTR foils during high intensity beam.
- Significant stress and foil heating are predicted after the upgrade.
- Initial OTR design only had solid foils. Holes were not included in the stress simulations.



# Future of OTR in T2K's High Intensity Beam



- Foil stress is much higher for upgraded beam (more than x2).
- Calibration holes also concentrate stress and increase the maximum stress by another factor of 2.

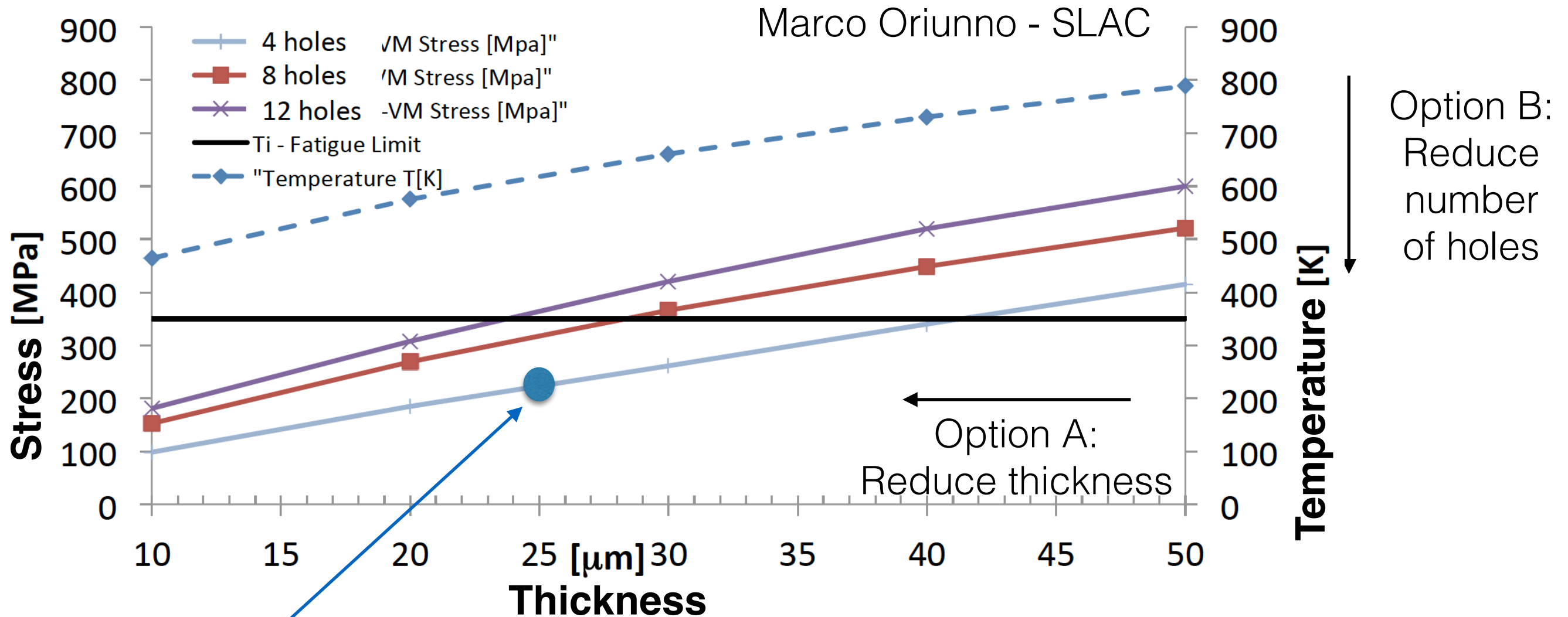
Present – 50 um foil	No Holes	Holes
Temp [K]	526	529
Stress [Mpa]	133	<b>235</b>
<u>Dep.Power [W]</u>	0.80	0.78

Upgrade– 50 um foil	No Holes	Holes
Temp [K]	784	789
Stress [Mpa]	295	<b>568</b>
<u>Dep.Power [W]</u>	1.99	1.95





# Options for OTR Foils in MW Beam



- Simply reducing the number of holes or the thickness of the foil is probably not enough. Likely need to do both.
- Vendors are being sought.

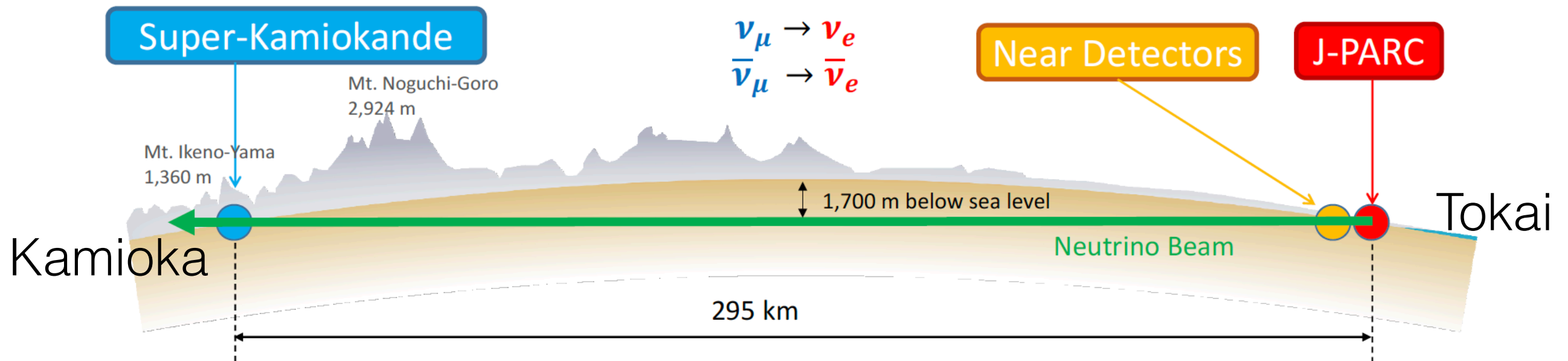
# Summary

- The Optical Transition Radiation (OTR) monitor measures the proton beam profile in T2K.
- OTR-I operated stably during 2009-2013.
- OTR-II presented issues, but operation is stable since 2014.
- New Fiber Taper and Camera are being used since Mar. 2019 and light yield has increased.
- Upgrade on the DAQ system: tested on Mar. 2019 and next T2K run will use current Windows DAQ system in parallel with the new Linux system.
- Upgrades were made for OTR-III & IV and installation is expected for 2020.
- Studies of Ti foil thickness and topology are ongoing for future beam intensity upgrade.

# Back-Up

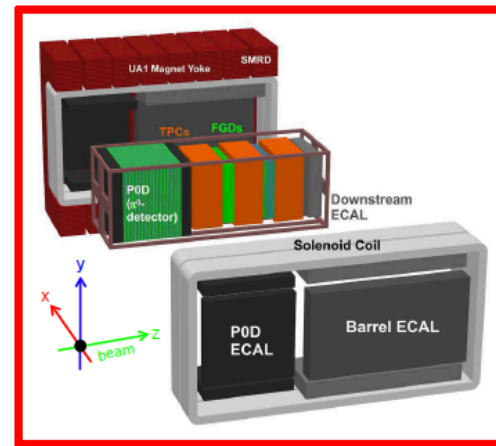


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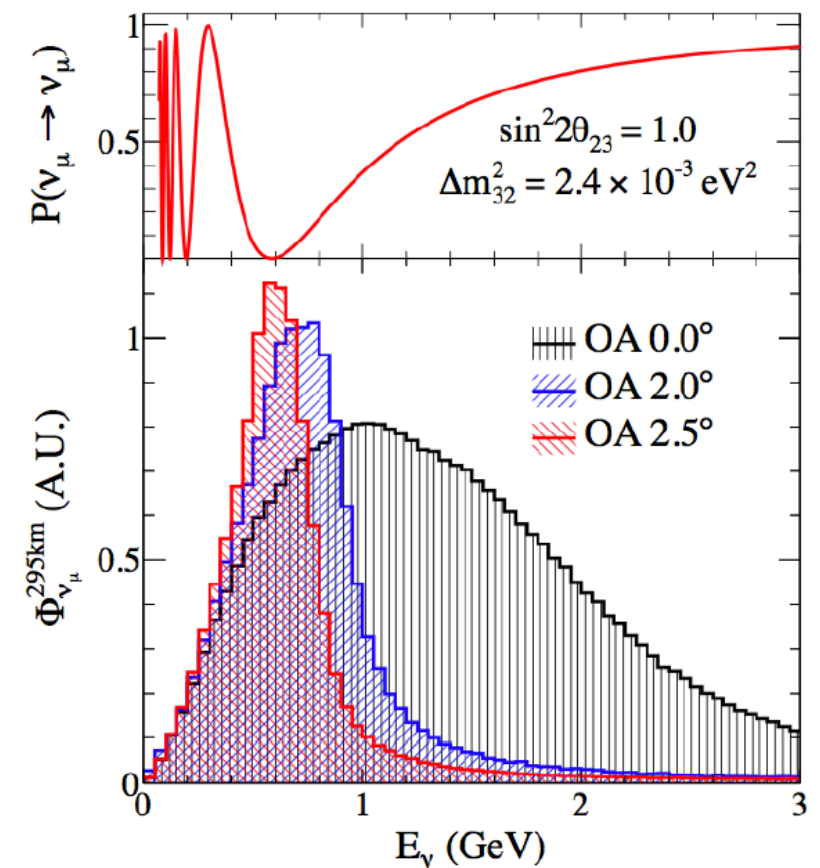


## Near Detectors

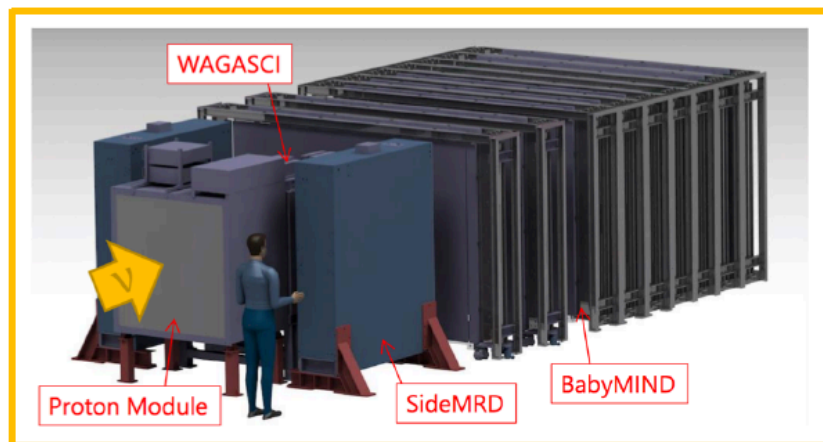
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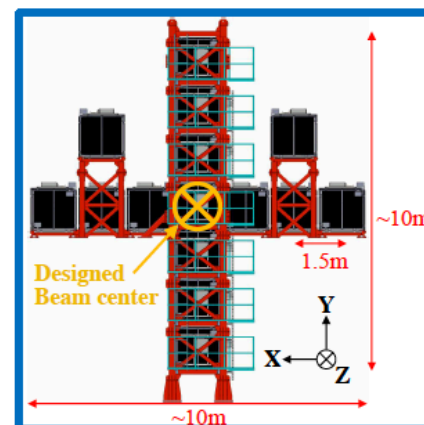
2.5° "off-axis"



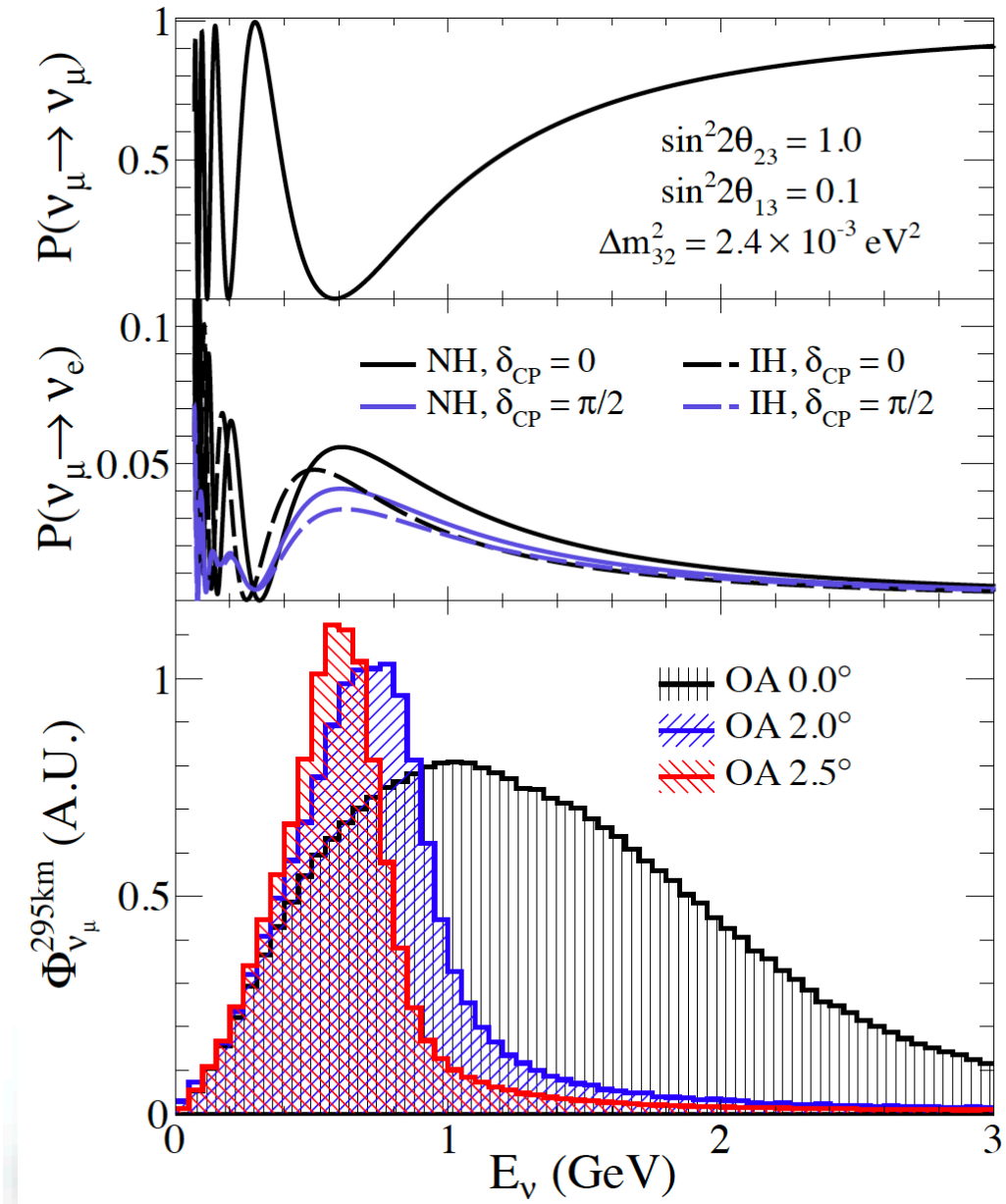
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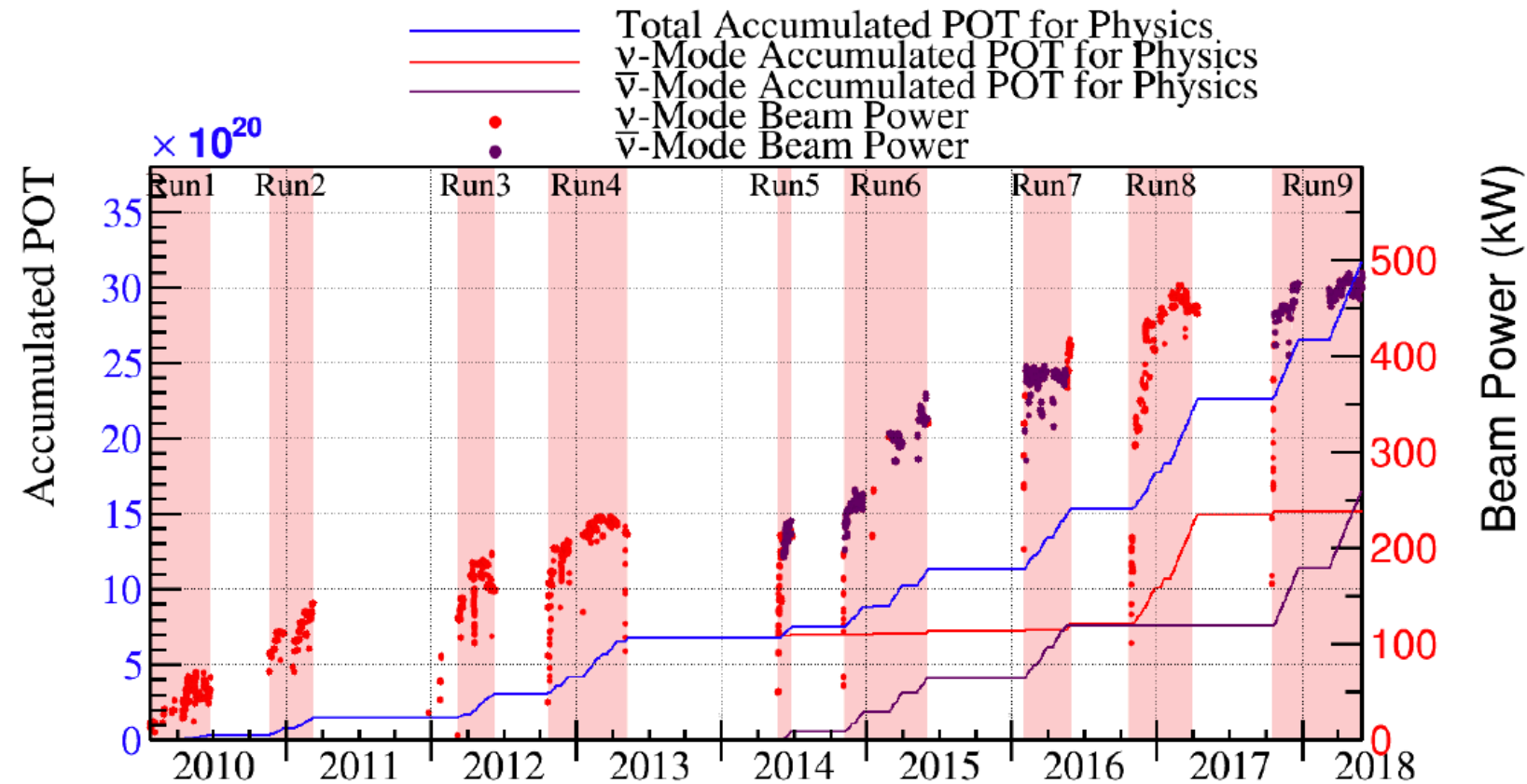
## On-axis INGRID



# The T2K Neutrino Beam



- Off-axis angle tuned for maximal  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance



- Latest result includes combined data from runs 1-9:
  - $\nu_\mu$ :  $1.51 \times 10^{21}$  POT
  - $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ :  $1.65 \times 10^{21}$  POT (POT: protons on target)

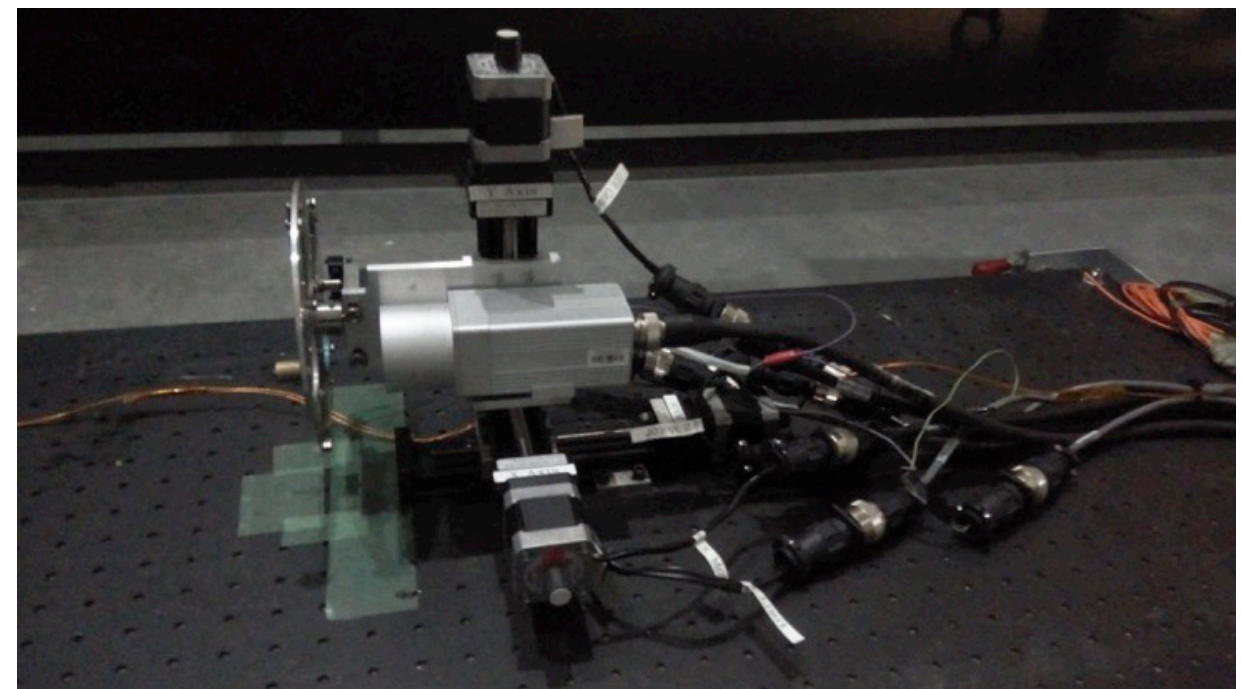
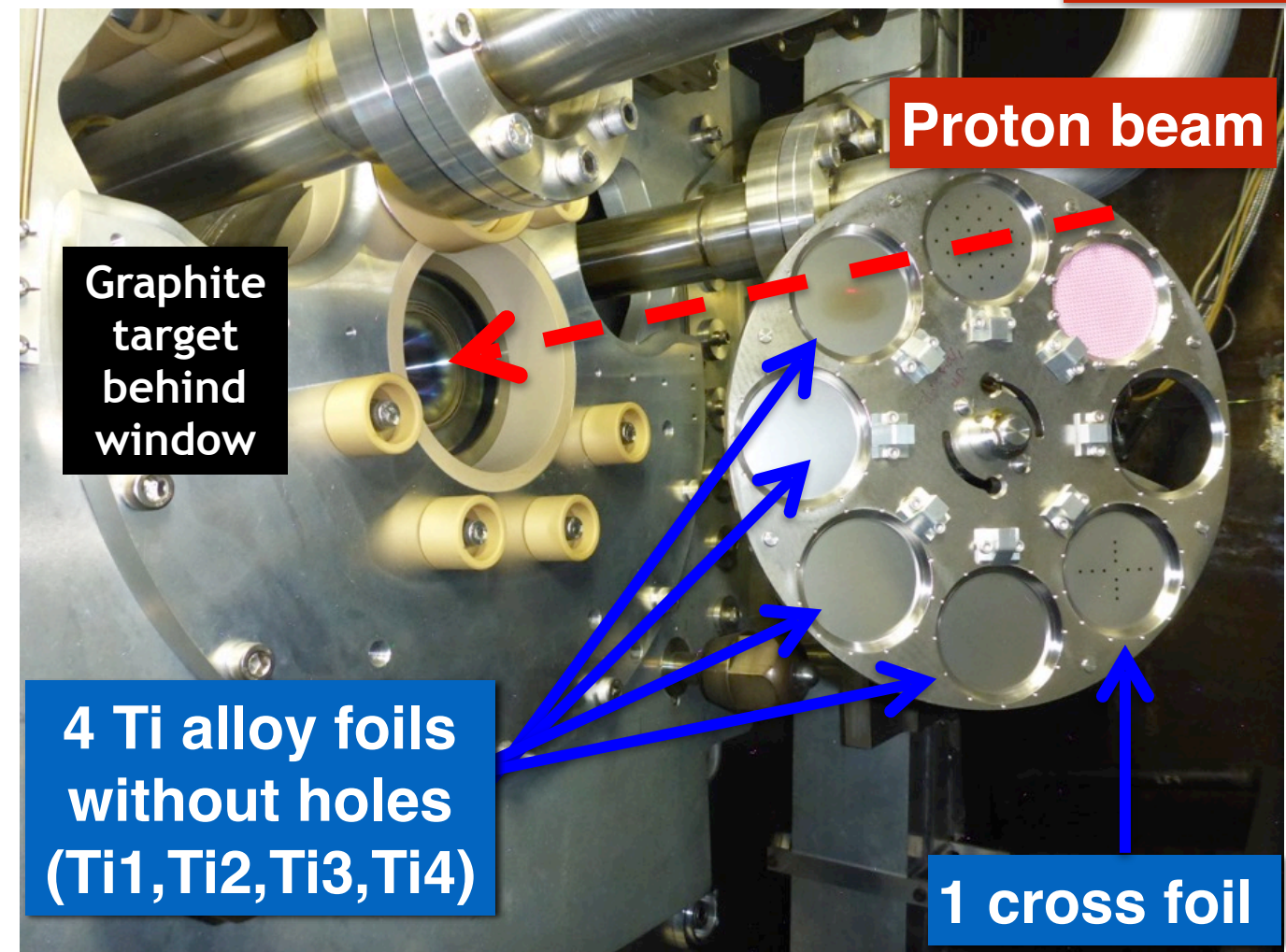
Beam operating at  $\sim 480$  kW



# The T2K OTR Set-Up

OTR II

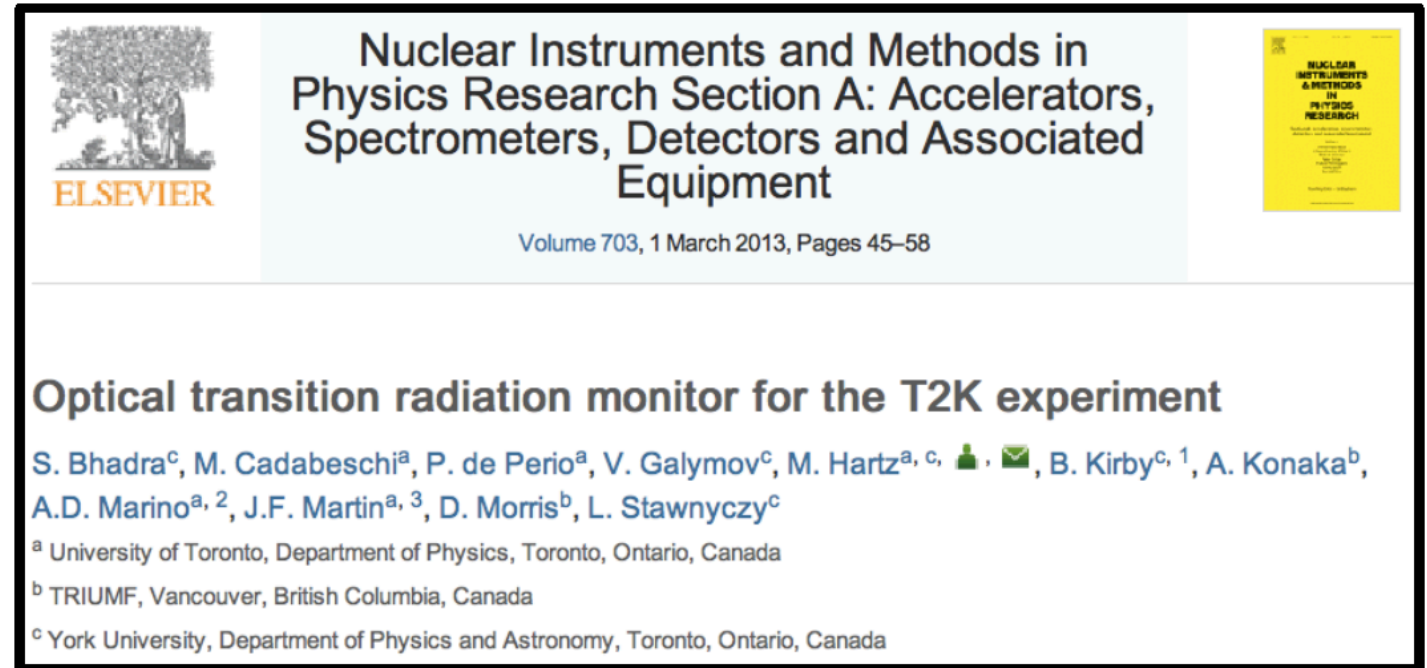
Top of He vessel



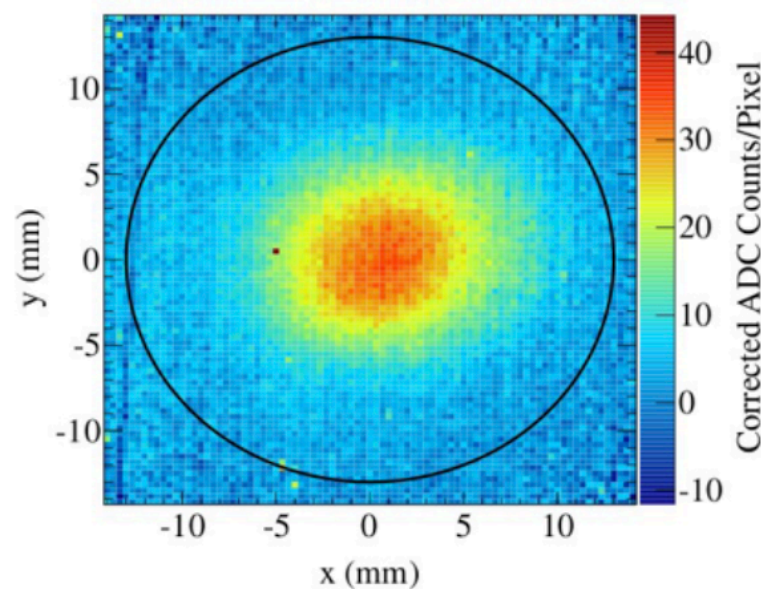


# OTR-I Operation Result

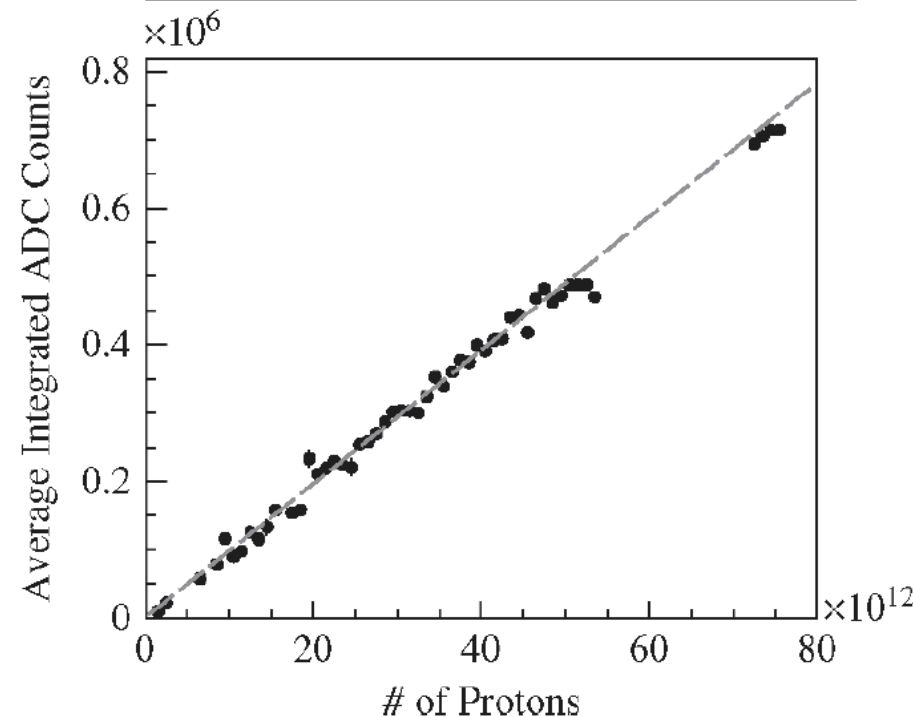
- OTR1 operated stably for **6.6e20** protons on target



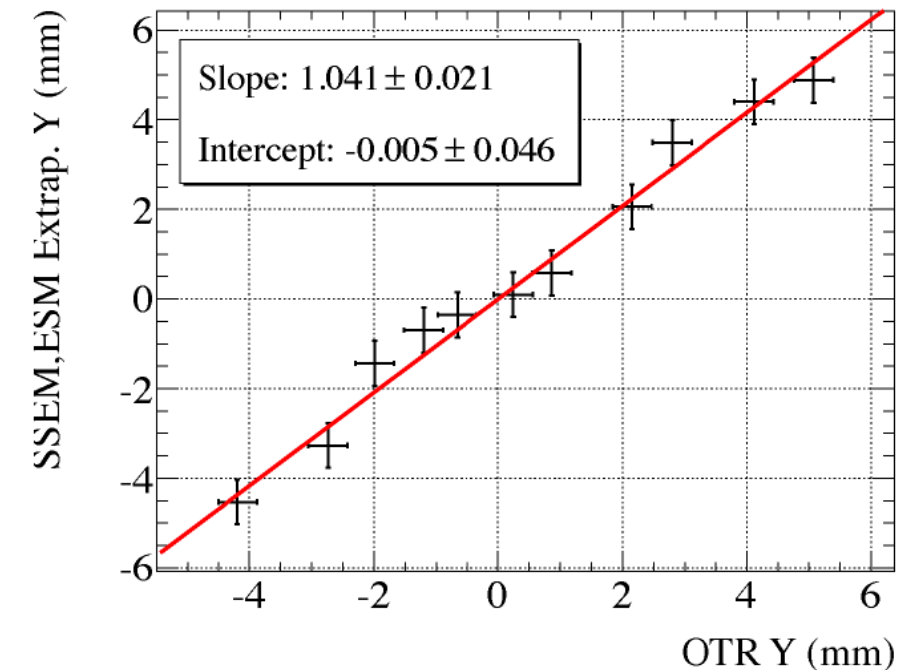
OTR profile on Ti foil  
9e13 protons



OTR light linearity  
with beam intensity

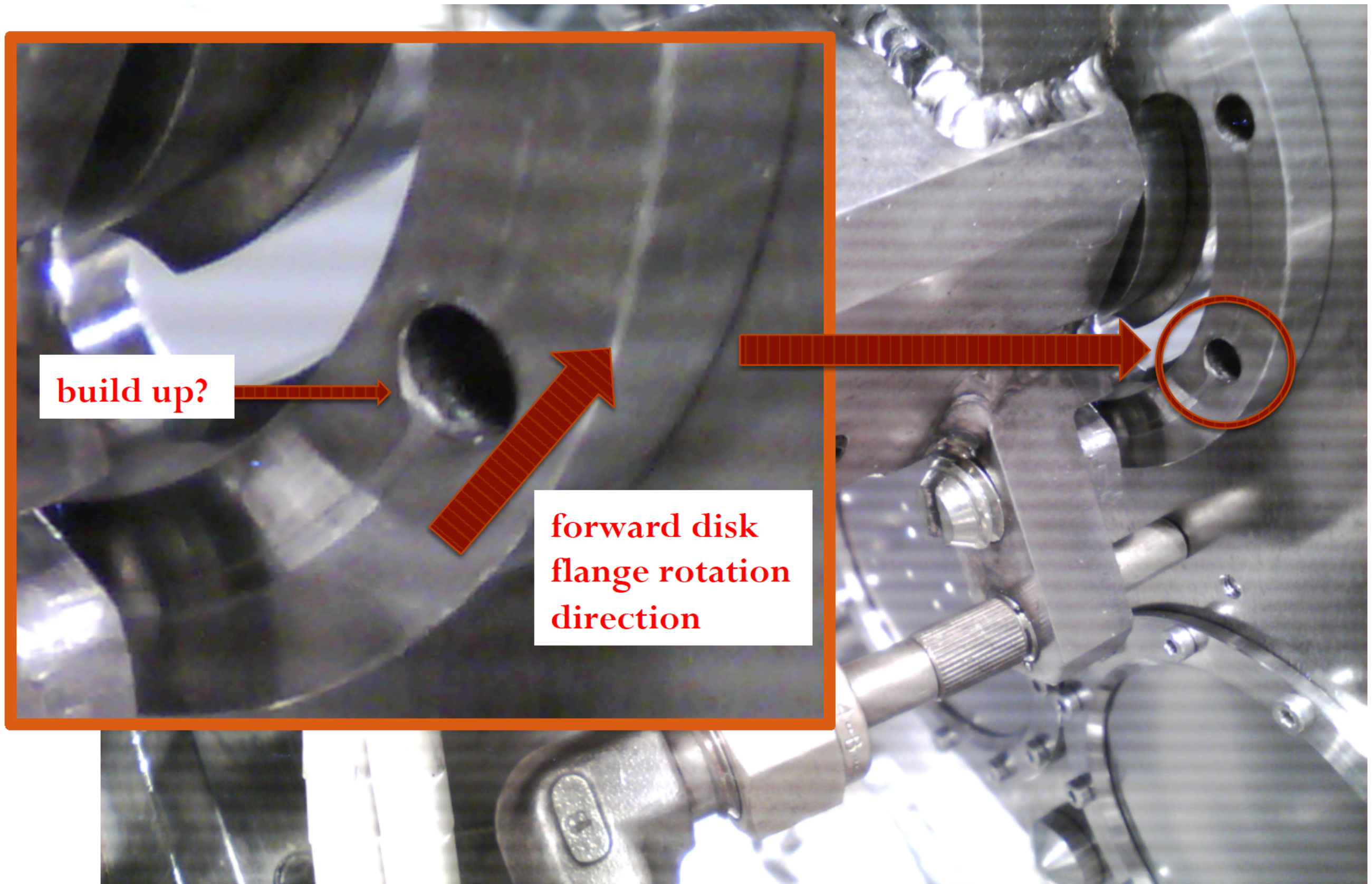


Consistent with beam  
line SSEM monitors





# OTR-II Rotation Mechanism Problem

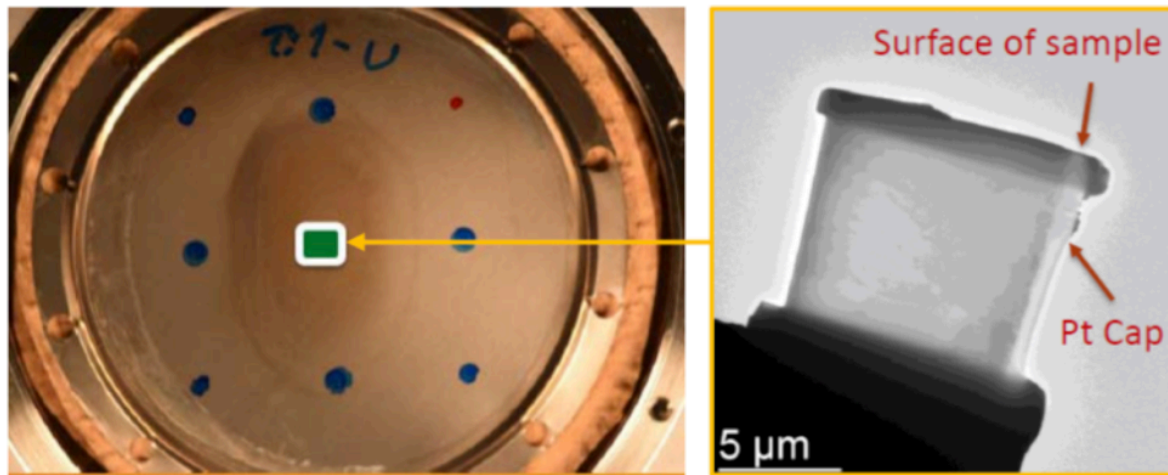




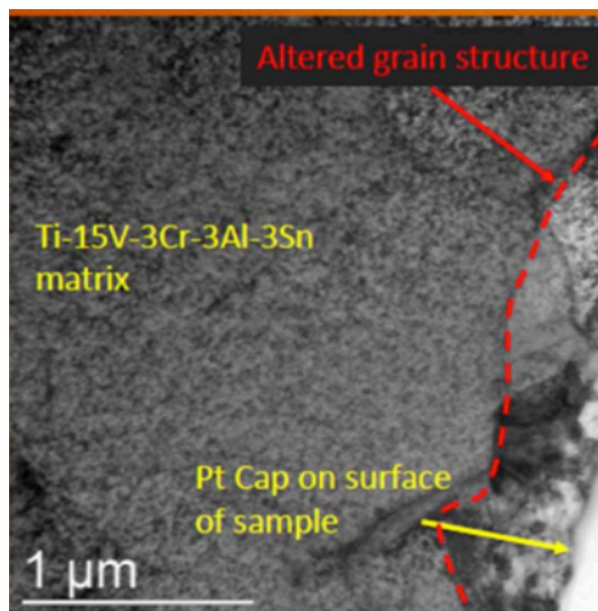
# OTR-I Radiation Studies - NBI 2017

## OTR1 foil radiation damage studies

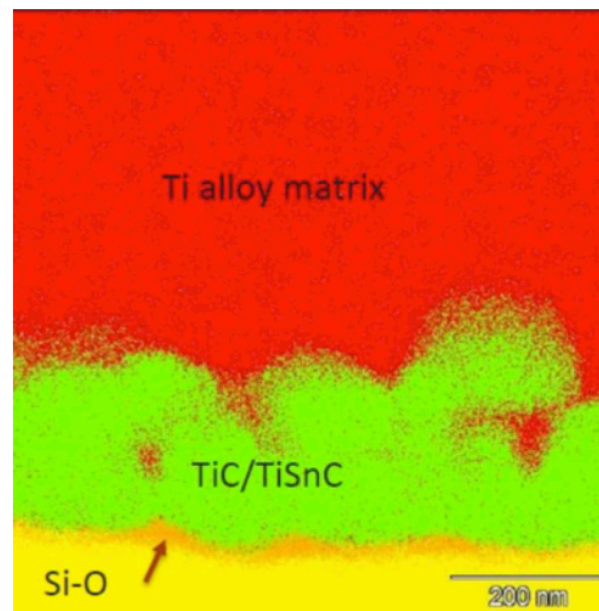
Ti1 foil



TEM image



Elemental mapping



- OTR1 foils (Ti-15V-3Cr-3Sn-3Al) are **world's most irradiated Ti specimens**
  - **Ti1: 1.6e20 POT**
  - **Ti2: 5.0e20 POT**
- Ti1 foil was transported to PNNL on Jan. 2016 for post-irradiation examination
- Different grain structure at surface where discoloration is visible
- Discolored region at surface made of Si-O/Ti-C layers
- Si may come from vessel-evacuating booster-pump oil
- [Andy Cassela's talk: PNNL \(Graphite/ Ti\) in the RaDIATE session](#)