LBNF Target and Associated Equipment Status, Issues, Plans 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

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## LBNF-UK Target and Associated Equipment: Project Phases and Status







## Target (RAL) and magnetic horn (Fermilab)

- We have spent 4 years on preliminary design and feature prototyping of:
  - > Target
  - Target Exchange System
  - Helium cooling system
- Next stage: construction



**P**<sup>+</sup>

Single sign of pions

focussed by toroidal

generated by 300 kA

pulsed horn current

magnetic field

## **Feature Prototyping Status (UK)**







Image No. A02075\_000002 Comment: HSD 433 - Section view of circumferential weld full penetration and profile. This weld is deemed acceptable 1.A.W. EBP/QAS/01 iss.9 CLASS 1.



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## STFC Technology Department Calendar February 2022 photo

EDM machined titanium shroud





## **Off-Axis Beam on Target – Single Pulse**



Beam centroid could vary by  $\approx \pm 2$ mm (0.75 sigma) without triggering a beam trip, or  $\pm 25$ mm for two pulses before the beam trips



## **Modal Analysis of Target – Results**

- □ First 250 modes found, covering frequencies from 43-2950Hz
  - > ~90% total mass participation in x and y, but only ~70% in z
  - Range extends to almost 3x the frequency of interest (1000Hz); at least 1.5x is required for accurate downstream mode superposition analyses
  - Solution takes up >350GB after solving, >550GB while solving





## **Pulsed horn issues for target**

- LBNF Target/Horn integration approach involves mechanically mounting the target from the horn outer-conductor flange. This is a *different approach* to the one taken at NuMI and T2K.
- □ We have planned to examine the target response to horn current pulsing at the pulse test stand when the prototype-target and prototype-Horn become available (~late 2024?).
- We have initiated a study to gain some insight ahead of time.



Target Docking Interface Plate (red) attached directly to horn outer-conductor flange



## **Procedure for Horn Pulsing Study (P. Loveridge)**

- Model i) magnetic pressure and ii) temperature rise for a single pulse (approximated by 20 linearly ramped steps)
- □ Then run on with 40µs time steps (aiming to capture effects up to few kHz)







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## Magnetic "Pressure"

In the magnetic horn we have three perpendicular vectors: Current , Magnetic Field and Force, with the relation  $F = J \times B$ 

Inside the magnetic volume the field Varies with r according to:

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} (T)$$

It is convenient to express the magnetic force acting on the horn conductor as a "pressure"

 $P = \frac{\mu_0 I^2}{8\pi^2 r^2} \ (N/m^2)$ 

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ANSYS ELEMENTS PRES-NORM 18 202 13:22:0 PLOT NO. 0 MPa 1 MPa 480000 720000 240000 960000 240000 360000 SI UNITS: kg m s K, FILE: LENF\_HORN\_A\_MAG 600000 840000 360000 .108E+07

Taking:

Gives a peak longitudinal force of  $F_{long max} = 16 \ kN$ 

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## **Full Transient Analysis**

- Transient analysis with a very small timestep and inertial effects included
- □ Full displacement vs time response (250 steps) input at the target supports
- □ Took 27 hours to solve, using >100GB solid state RAM
- No damping included

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## **Full Transient Analysis – Results**

- □ After 10ms, peak deflection is only ~12% of expected maximum
  - Would take more than 85ms to reach the maximum (3280um with 0% damping), by which time damping in the horn may have reduced the driving amplitude
- Appears to excite similar modes to the harmonic analyses

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## Benchmarking opportunity: T2K horn pulse testing

- KEK performed pulse testing of latest Horn 1 (without target) at J-PARC
- Vibration was measured at several locations during testing with LDV sampled at ~5kHz
- Closest locations to target are P3 and P4 – the data from these points is available for analysis

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6.2kV通電 変位ピーク値(1/6)

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Max vibration amplitude at various locations – T. Sekiguchi, KEK

## Horn-target vibration study status

- Target has many modes, and a lower natural frequency (43Hz) than the horn it is bolted to (750 Hz)
- □ Issue has potential to limit target length (ambition for 1.5m 1.8m long target)
- Natural damping of structures expected to mitigate (2% damping reduces deflection from 3 mm to c. 0.3 mm (OK)
- □ T2K horn 1 pulse testing provides benchmarking opportunity
- More analysis required
- Possibility to test future prototype target using RAL Space vibration test facility

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## Radiation damage in graphite and titanium targets

Motivation for materials science activity in Phase 2 project

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1<sup>st</sup> T2K beam window after c.2 DPA (c. 1 year at LBNF)

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Some graphite targets after 1 year equivalent proton fluence on LBNF

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NuMI-MINOS 10<sup>22</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> - Active sample on way to Bristol University - Experiment at ISIS (ENGIN-X) approved

## Materials Science – UK contributions to target/window materials research

Strong contributions to RaDIATE materials science program from various sources

- Initial funding from HyperK-UK project
- LBNF Phase 2 funding decision for PDRA support and access to Culham lab's Materials Research Facility

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 ISIS (Bristol study of NuMI graphite on ISIS/ENGIN-X instrument approved)

> Bristol University (graphite research)

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Birmingham University, PDRA (MC40 cyclotron for sample irradiation, c.30 MeV protons)

Oxford University PDRA (micromechanics) PhD (titanium - our irradiated samples)

Culham Laboratory (Materials Research Facility for all Post-Irradiation Examination)

## Phase 2: Materials Science Objectives (i)

- Evaluate nanostructure to microstructure of candidate graphites
- Compare irradiated with non-irradiated samples
- Multiple-length scale microstructure determines the irradiation behaviour

Sub-micrometre (FIB/SEM tomography)

5 µm

Nanometre scale (Electron tomography)

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Arregui-Mena *et al*, JNM, 2021 Jiang *et al*, JNM, 2021

## LBNF Funding request: Materials Science Objectives (ii) Irradiated titanium fatigue sub-project collaboration

#### Sample & environment

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Sample design (**Oxford)** Sample environment (RAL & Birmingham)

#### Challenges:

 Maintain sample temperature at 160 °C under high energy proton e.g. 15 MeV/6.0 μA

#### Solutions:

- КĶ
- PID controlled nitrogen cooling inside a vacuum chamber

MC40 irradiation (Birmingham) Proton and He irradiation at high current, low energy

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#### Challenges:

- Produce irradiated Ti samples with a high dpa, e.g. 2 dpa;
- He/H production.

#### Solutions:

- Long term exposure
- Proton/He implantation
- Vary beam energy

Post-Irradiation Examination (PIE)

#### (Oxford, Birmingham @Culham)

- Micro/nano indentation
- TEM/XRD

High cycle fatigue testing

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#### Challenges:

 Handling, mechanical and microstructural testing of active samples.

#### Solutions:

 MRF has expertise and equipment to handle and test active samples

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## Titanium damage studies – Irradiation at Birmingham cyclotron –Sample environment designDPA [1e20 protons 2.77e20 protons/cm²]

Birmingham cyclotron can deliver protons at energies in 15-40MeV range.

Optimum performance is around 28-30MeV where the beam current is 30uA<sub>o</sub>

Most beam time will be available at 28MeV as the same as medical isotope production (a regular commitment for MC40)

With 30 days irradiation ~1DPA in the titanium is achieved. Damage is higher at Bragg peak but gas production is unrealistic (next slide)

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At 30MeV the range in titanium is approximately 3mm

## **Materials Research Facility at UKAEA (Culham)**

- New facility (opened May 2016) for processing and analysis of radioactive materials
- Broad nuclear experience on a nonlicensed site: total inventory up to 3.75 TBq (Co<sup>60</sup>)
- Extensive collaboration with international particle accelerators and high-power targets communities (FNAL, ESS, CERN, RAL)
- Broad nuclear materials expertise of the scientific team to support experiments and data analysis

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Operates JET and MAST-U experiments

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Material Research Facility (MRF)

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Universities ~50 MBq (e.g. Oxford)

UKAEA - MRF		NNL
Medium activity,	3.75 TBq	Most active
structural	(Co <sup>60</sup> )	fuel cycle

- Ultrasonic Fatigue Rig
  - Invented by Oxford (Gong)
  - Developed for active samples (Culham, including STFC Innovations PDRA (Earp))
- Integrated into shielded research room at MRF
- Ready to test active samples for Phase 2 project

## **Target status summary**

- Phase 1 target project (preliminary design and prototyping) nearing completion on time, within scope and within budget
- Phase 2 (construction) project funding awarded at 100% as requested
  Includes extra scope of NA61 replica target
- □ Welcoming new members of UK target project materials scientists from:
  - Bristol University
  - Oxford University (+DPhil student)
  - Birmingham University (+PhD student)
  - UKAEA Culham laboratory (including former STFC 'PASI post-doc' + STFC Innovations PDRA)
  - ➢ Full collaboration with KEK colleagues on T2K
  - Good future source of 'Benefits Realisation'

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# Questions?

## **CP** sensitivity vs target length & exposures

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### Hardware Deliverables: Target and Beamline Apparatus

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## **Re-design of helium lines: simpler, larger ID**

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## Liners **Towards final** Interlock Liner

Path to future upgrade to 2.4 MW

WITZENMANN HYDRA Medium Duty Flexible Hose Type RS 341 DN80 RS341S12 ID 80.6mm [3.2" Bore] **OD 98mm** Min Bend Radius 240mm Ctatio anostianal assessor 200-- 9 20°C

The most common liner used in a corrugated hose is a metal interlock hose. The liner will allow a smooth flow rate whilst maintaining limited flexibility. The interlock will partially reduce the bend radius and inside diameter of the corrugated hose. The smooth liners reduce associated noise. Another alternative liner is braid which doesn't reduce the bend radius of the hose.

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**Braid Liner** 

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Liner to smooth flow & reduce vibrations

'T2K'-like preliminary design

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design