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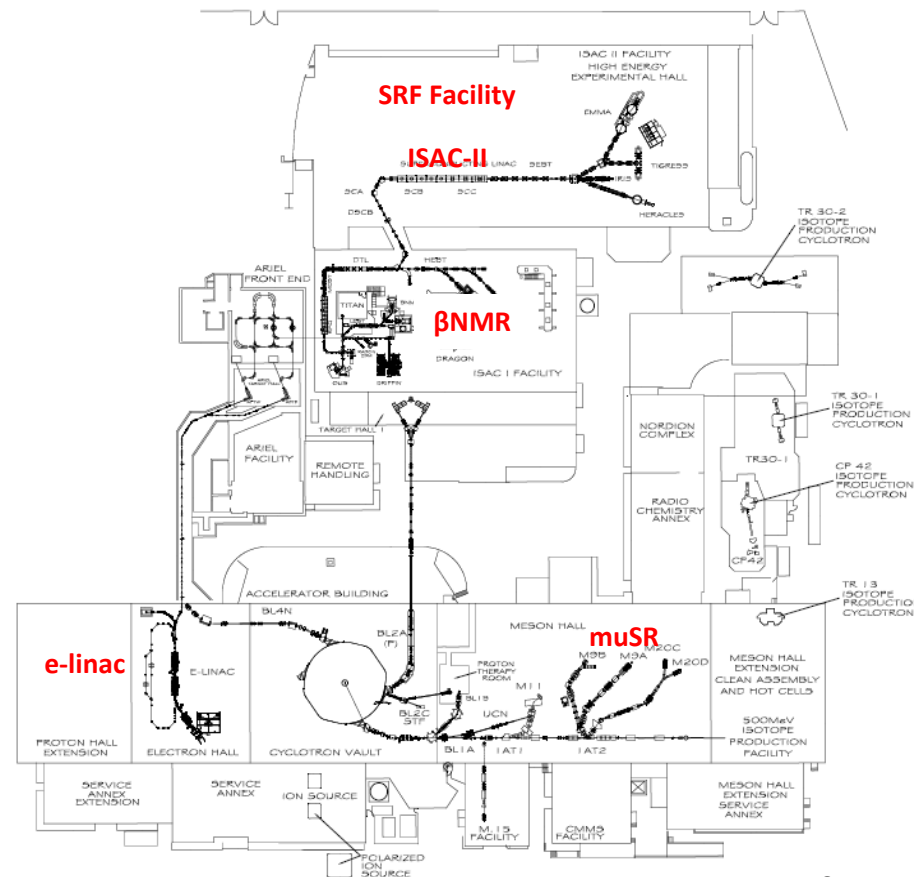
# Superconducting RF research at TRIUMF

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- The TRIUMF SRF program began in 2000 to support the design and development of the ISAC-II heavy ion linac with the addition of infrastructure to support SRF activities
- We now have two SC linacs in operation – the 40MV ISAC-II heavy ion linac and the 30MeV ARIEL 1.3GHz electron linac
- TRIUMF also hosts important diagnostics in material science – muSR and betaNMR
- We have an active program in student based SRF research to augment our operational capabilities

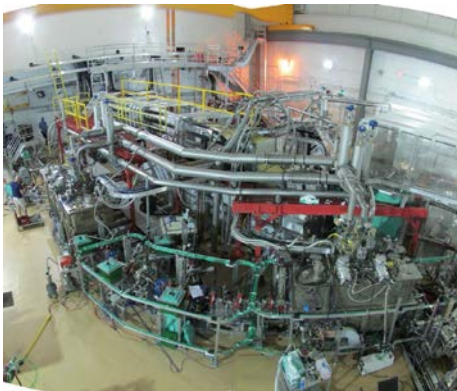


# Introduction

40MV ISAC-II  
SRF heavy ion  
linac @ 106MHz  
- operational  
since 2006



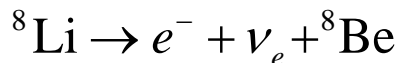
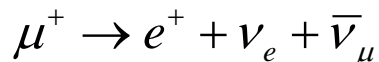
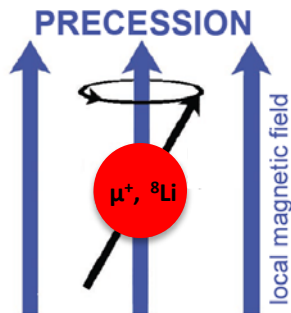
30MV ARIEL SRF  
10mA electron  
linac @ 1.3GHz  
- first beam  
2014



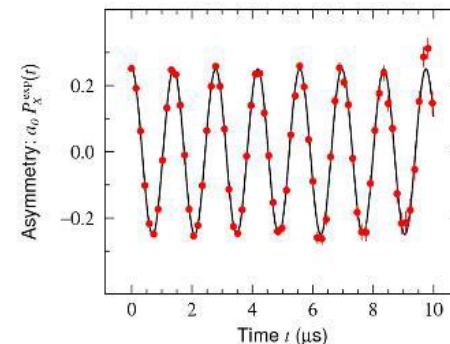
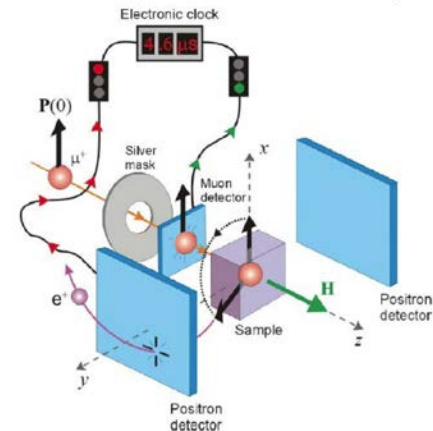
- TRIUMF has two world class material science probes in muSR and betaNMR – utilize the beta decay of a beam of polarized muons or  $^8\text{Li}$  ions respectively as probes of local magnetism
- TRIUMF muSR samples near surface fields (100 $\mu\text{m}$ ) and betaNMR samples surface fields (0- $>200\text{nm}$ )

## Method

Imbedded probes decay with emitted positrons or electrons correlated with direction of spin. Spin precession dependent on the magnetic field of the imbedded probe



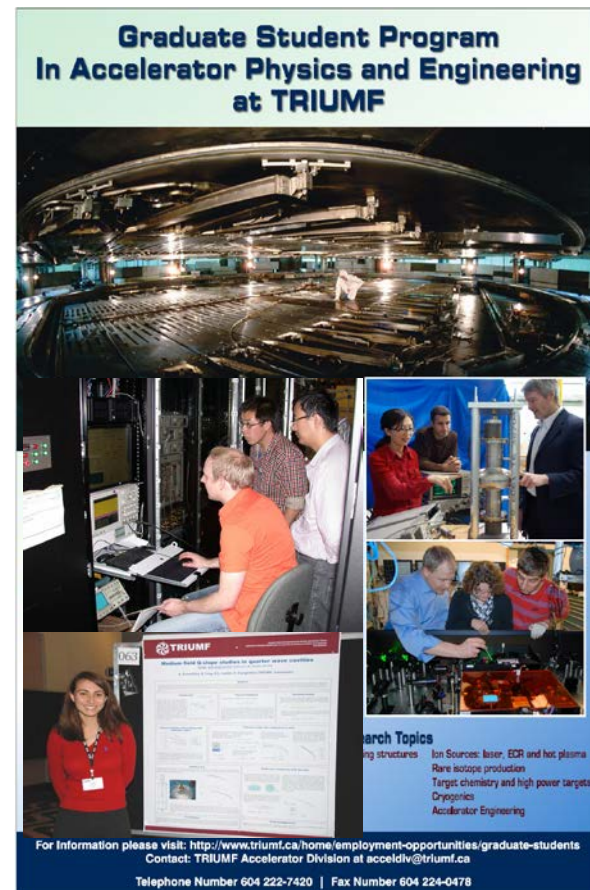
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- TRIUMF offers a graduate students program in Accelerator Physics and Engineering
- One course per year taught at UBC by TRIUMF research scientists
- Five PhD students in SRF studies to date:



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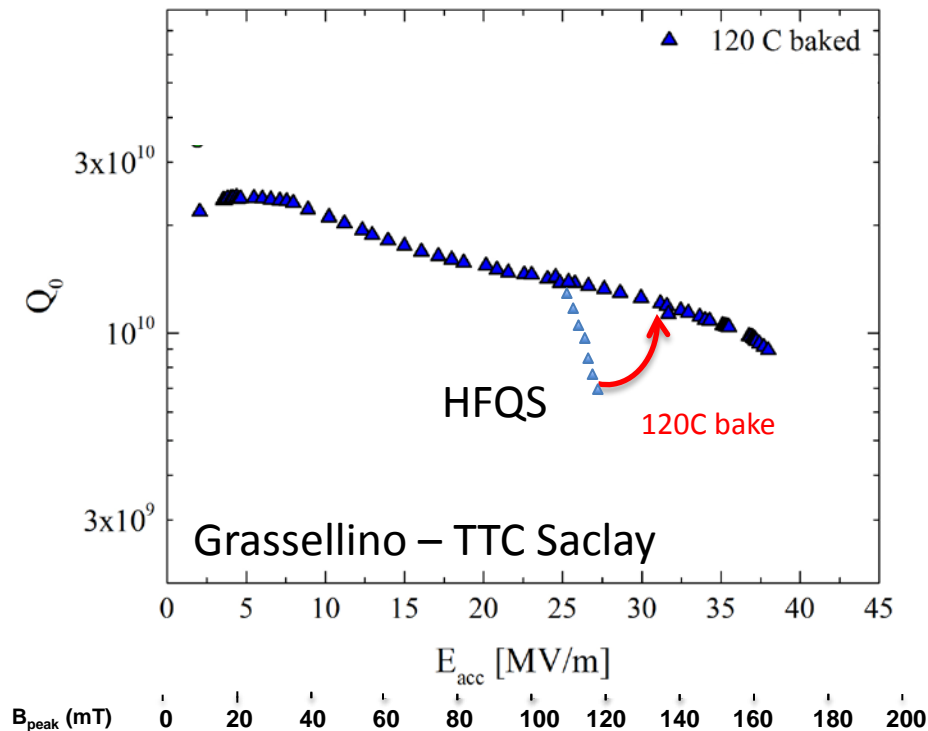
**Research Topics**

- Superconducting structures
- Ion Sources: laser, ECR and hot plasma
- Rare isotope production
- Target chemistry and high power targets
- Cryogenics
- Accelerator Engineering

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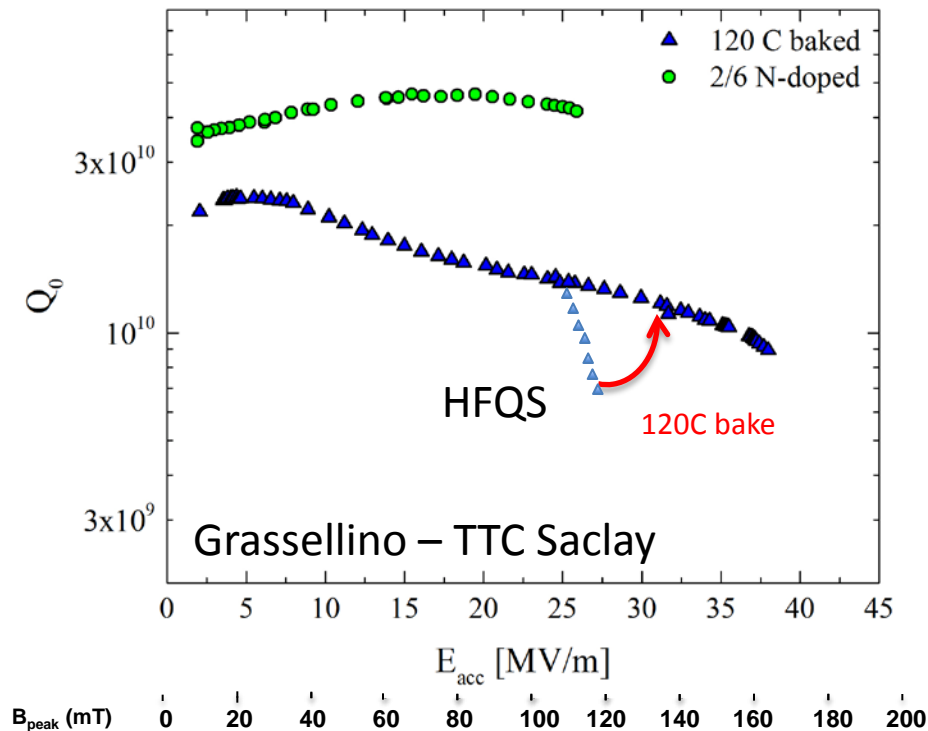
# Problems to solve

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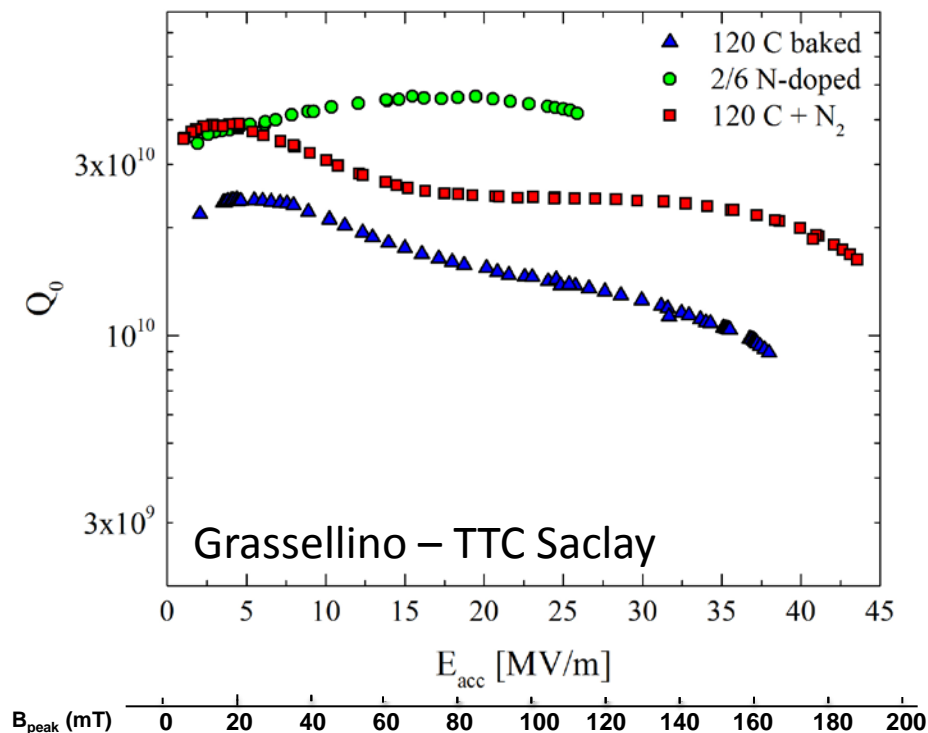




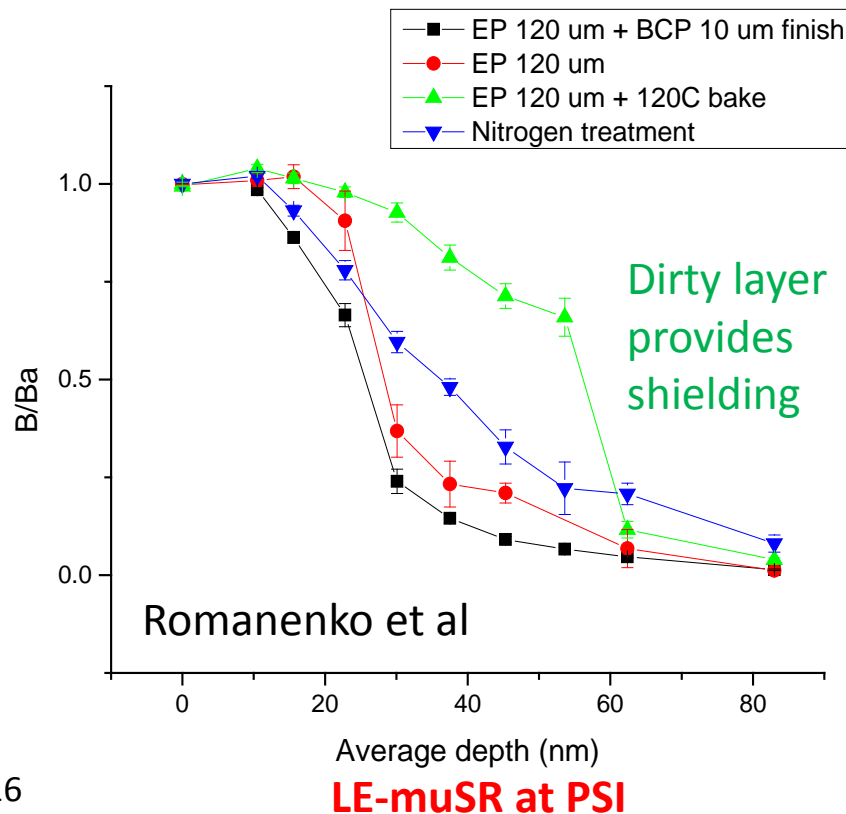
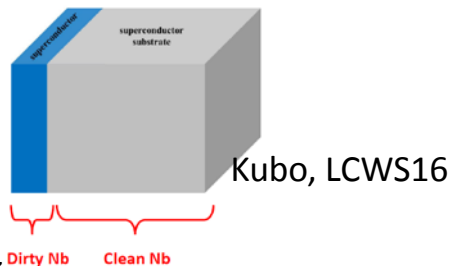
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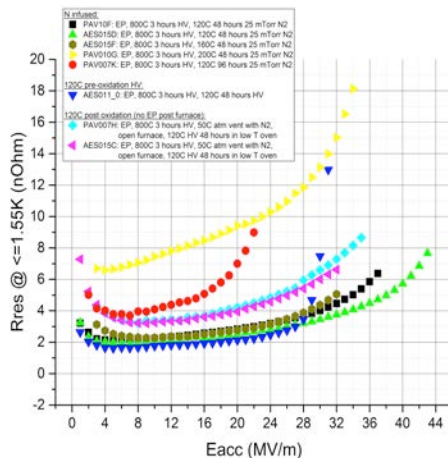
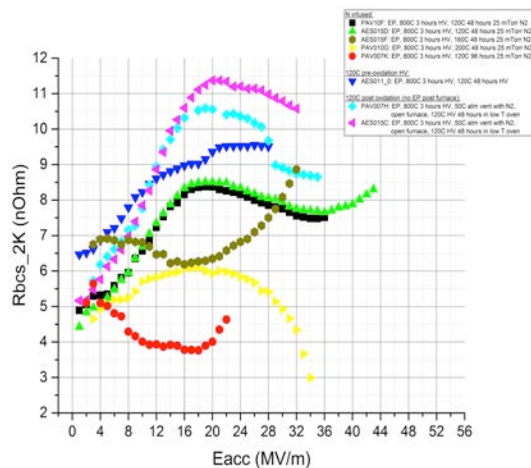
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- The new N2 infusion treatment (FNAL) raises Q (above ILC baseline) and extends the reachable field beyond  $B_{c1}$



- 120C bake is known to manipulate mean free path at very near surface on clean bulk Nb
- A dirty layer at the surface seems beneficial in order to increase the quench field above  $B_{c1}$
- The Nitrogen infusion is a variation of the 120C bake where N dopes the near surface without forming lossy nitrides

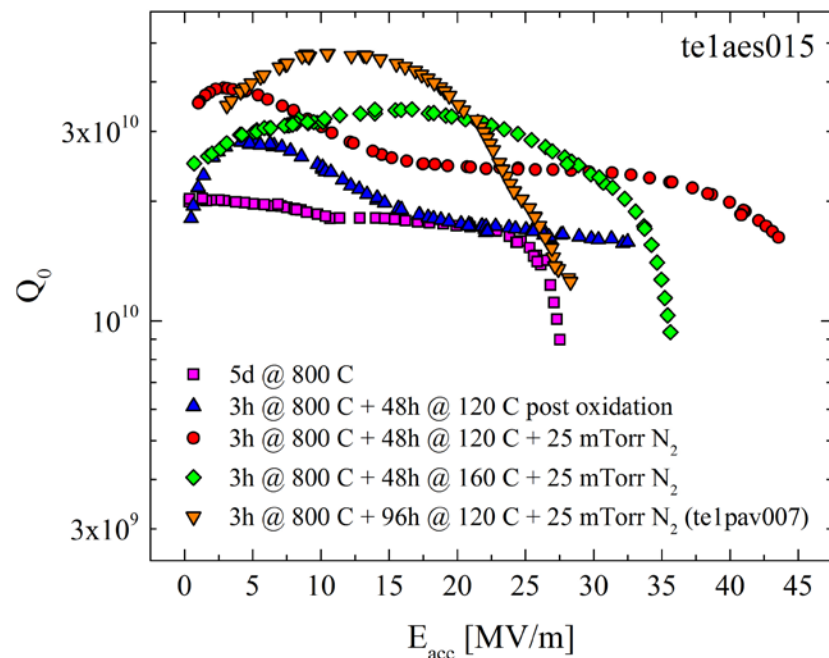


- Variations in the infusion process produce significant variations in the performance
- need to fine tune the duration and Temp to create right concentration and depth to reach highest fields with no Q-slope



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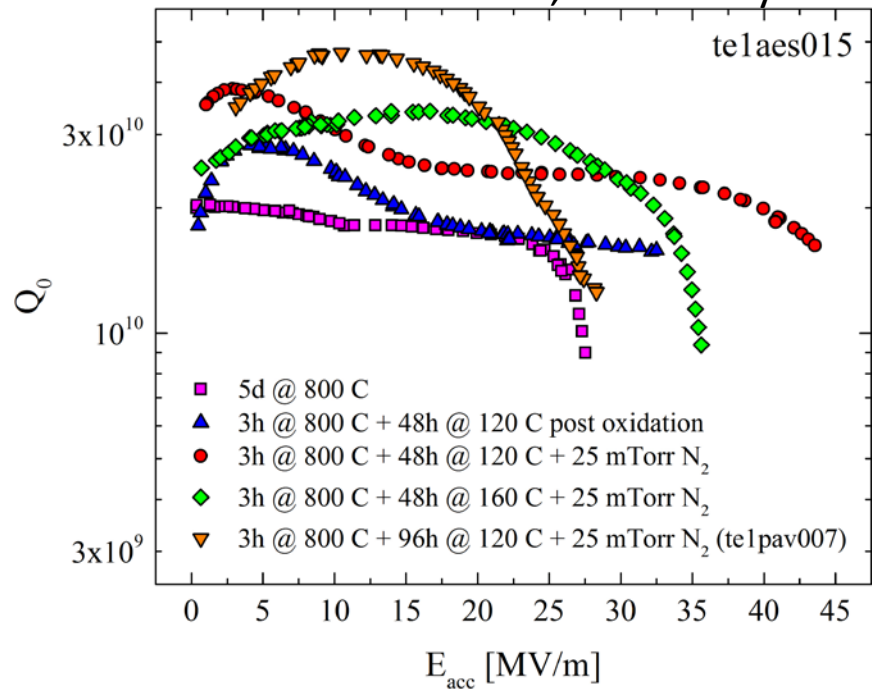
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# A role for TRIUMF

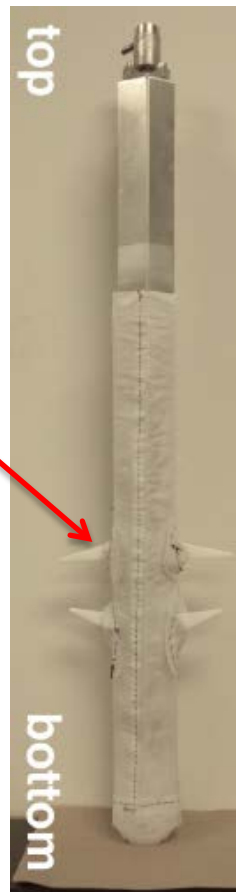
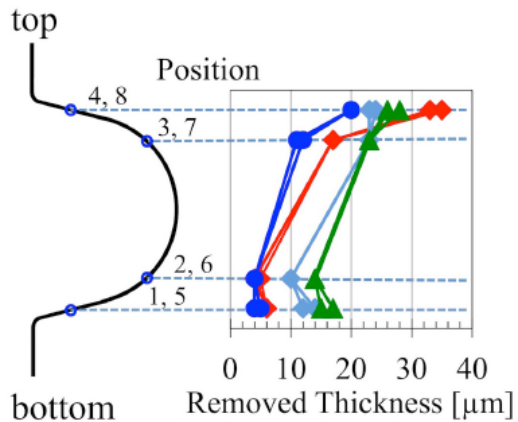
- Now commissioning a UHV rf induction oven to process single cell 1.3GHz cavities – goal is to explore various doping recipes
- Couple this program with fundamental studies using muSR and betaNMR

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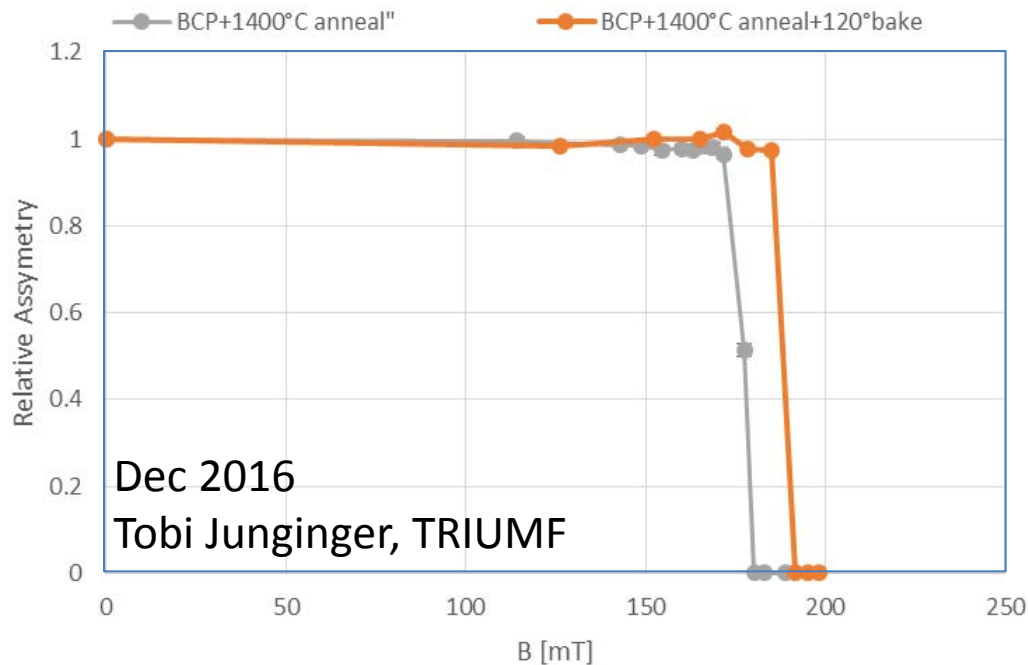
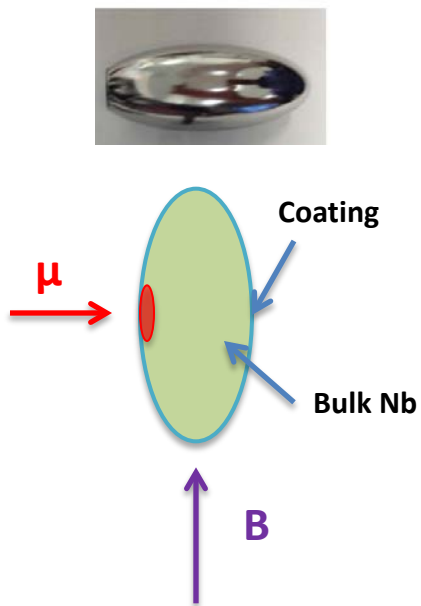
- TRIUMF SRF is developing vertical EP with teflon stirrers to augment doping effort – collaboration with Tamao Shishido
- Japan has the 'Ninja' (Marui Galvanizing Co) – Canada has D'Sonoqua – the wild women of the woods – stealer of children yet bringer of wealth

**paddles**



## ***Findings: Baking at 120C in vacuum can enhance the field of first flux entry***

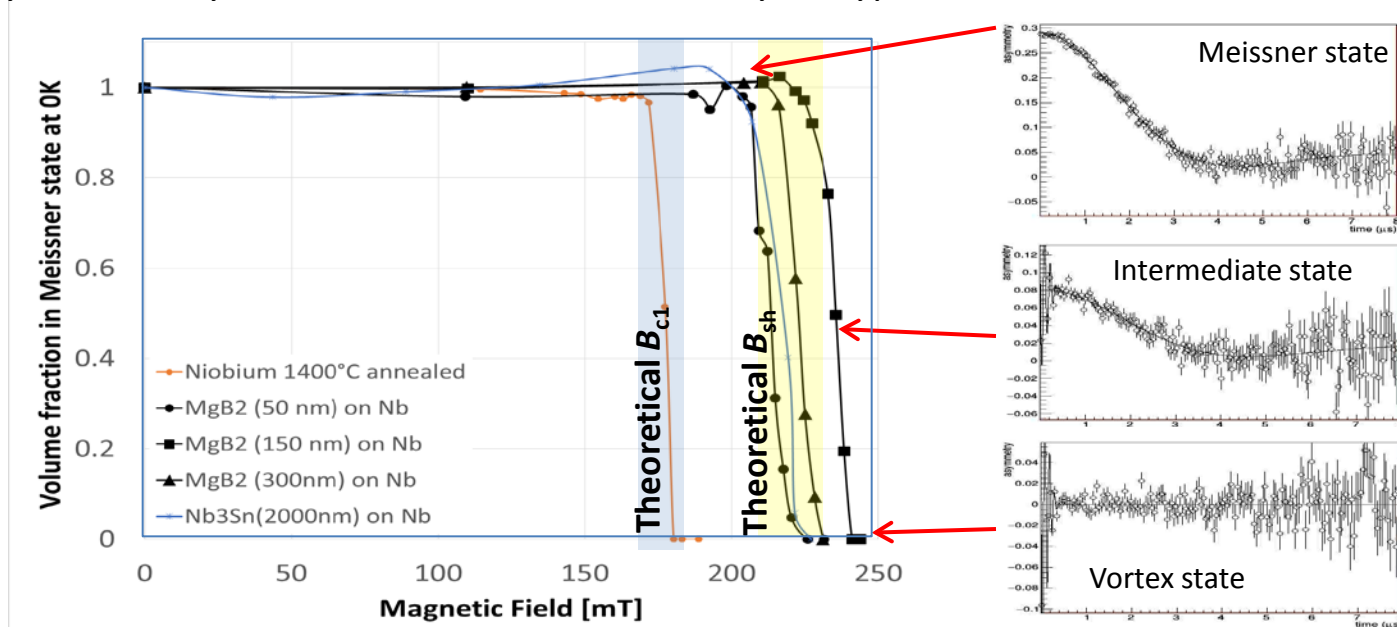
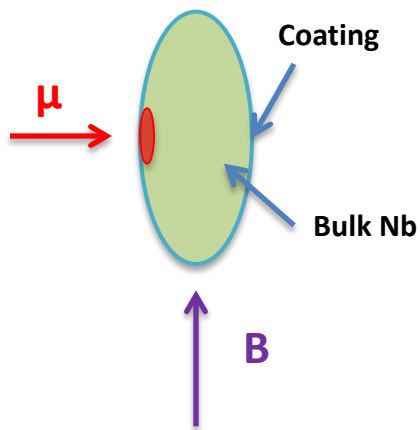
- Bake at 120C moved field of first flux entry in annealed sample from 174mT to 188mT
- consistent with 'dirty layer' hypothesis



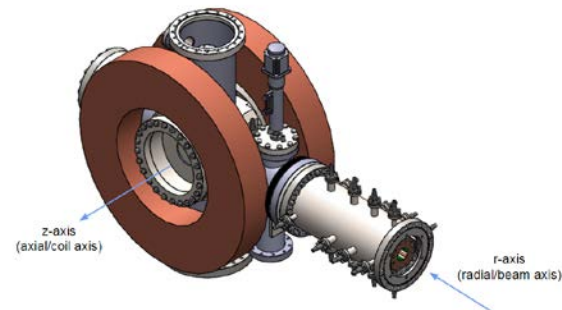
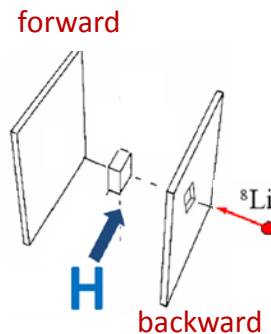
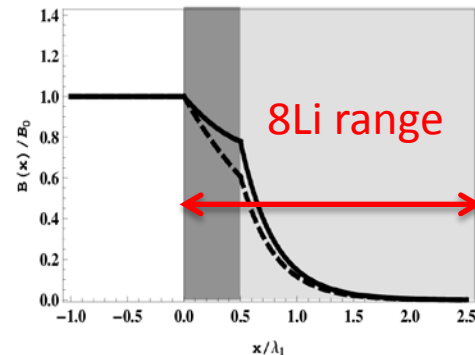
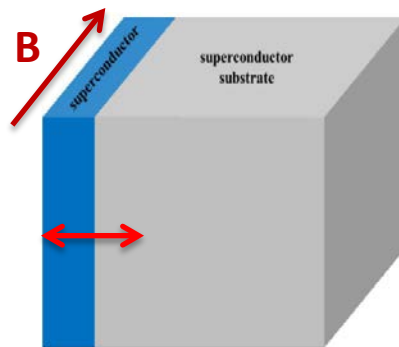


**Findings: A layer of a higher  $T_c$  material on niobium can enhance the field of first entry by about 40% from a field consistent with  $H_{c1}$  to a field consistent with  $H_{sh}$ .**

This enhancement does not depend on material or thickness suggesting that superheating is indeed induced in niobium by the overlayer - consistent with 'surface layer' hypothesis

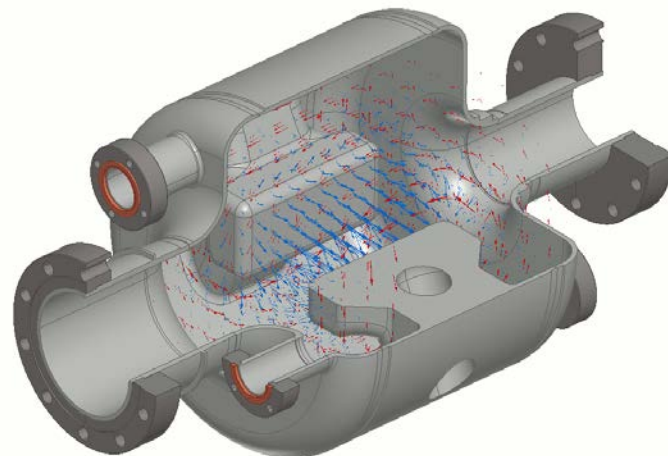


- Beta-NMR is a unique facility to characterize magnetic properties of materials at surfaces and film interfaces
- Perfect for SRF characterization of doping and new materials since it can probe the superconductor through the London layer
- New high field spectrometer has been designed and will be installed in 2017
- **Will be a unique facility in the world for diagnosing new treatments (doping), new materials (Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn) and new structures (SIS layers)**

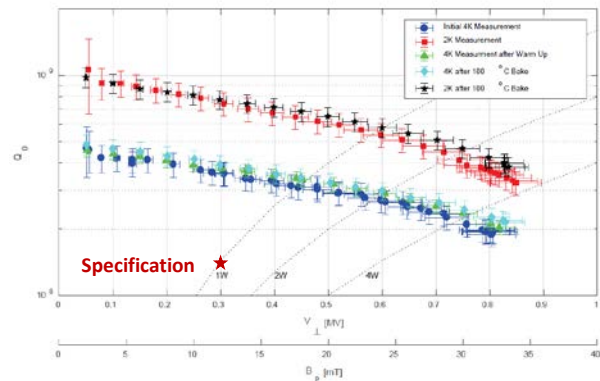


New beta-NMR line will allow surface studies up to 200mT

- 650MHz rf deflecting mode cavity has been fabricated from reactor grade Niobium with TIG welding
- First superconducting rf cavity fabricated at TRIUMF
- Cavity recently tested and meets design specification



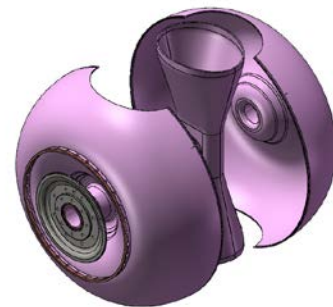
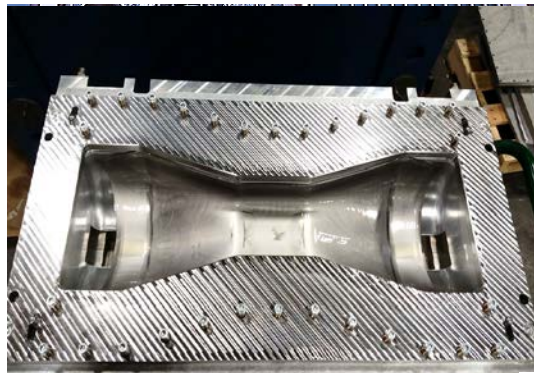
### Separator Cavity 4K and 2K Test Results



- Design and fabrication of two single spoke resonators (SSRs) – 325MHz  $\beta=0.3$  – for RISP (Korea)
- Cavity is designed to suppress high field multipacting - early tests confirm this – we are now degassing the cavity before the next cold test
- TRIUMF Machine Shop and SRF team successfully formed Nb parts - developed local fabricators for brazing and spinning
- Also designing SSR tuner and coupler for RISP



SSR1 spokes + fixture



SSR1 cavity - RISP

- SRF at TRIUMF began in 2000 with cavity and infrastructure development in support of the ISAC-II heavy ion linac.
- SRF department supports
  - **Internal projects**
    - ISAC-II heavy ion linac, ARIEL e-Linac,
  - **Student education**
    - Fundamental and technical SRF
  - **External collaborations (FRIB, KEK, IMP, CERN, RISP, FNAL, VECC, Cornell)**





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