

# ISCOOL: cooled and bunched beams for ISOLDE

E. Mané,<sup>1</sup> P. Delahaye,<sup>2</sup> I. Podadera,<sup>2</sup> M. Lindroos,<sup>2</sup> R. Catherall,<sup>2</sup> T. Giles,<sup>2</sup> H. Franberg,<sup>2</sup> J. Billowes,<sup>1</sup> F. Duval<sup>3</sup> and A. Jokinen<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Schuster Laboratory, University of Manchester, United Kingdom

<sup>2</sup> CERN, CH-1211 Geneva 23, Switzerland

<sup>3</sup> ISMRA, Caen, France

<sup>4</sup> Department of Physics, University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Presenter: Ernesto Mané

# Outline

- Motivation
- Scheme of ISCOOL
- How it works
- Off-line tests and results
- Next steps
- New opportunities
- Summary
- Conclusions

# Motivation

Increasing demand for

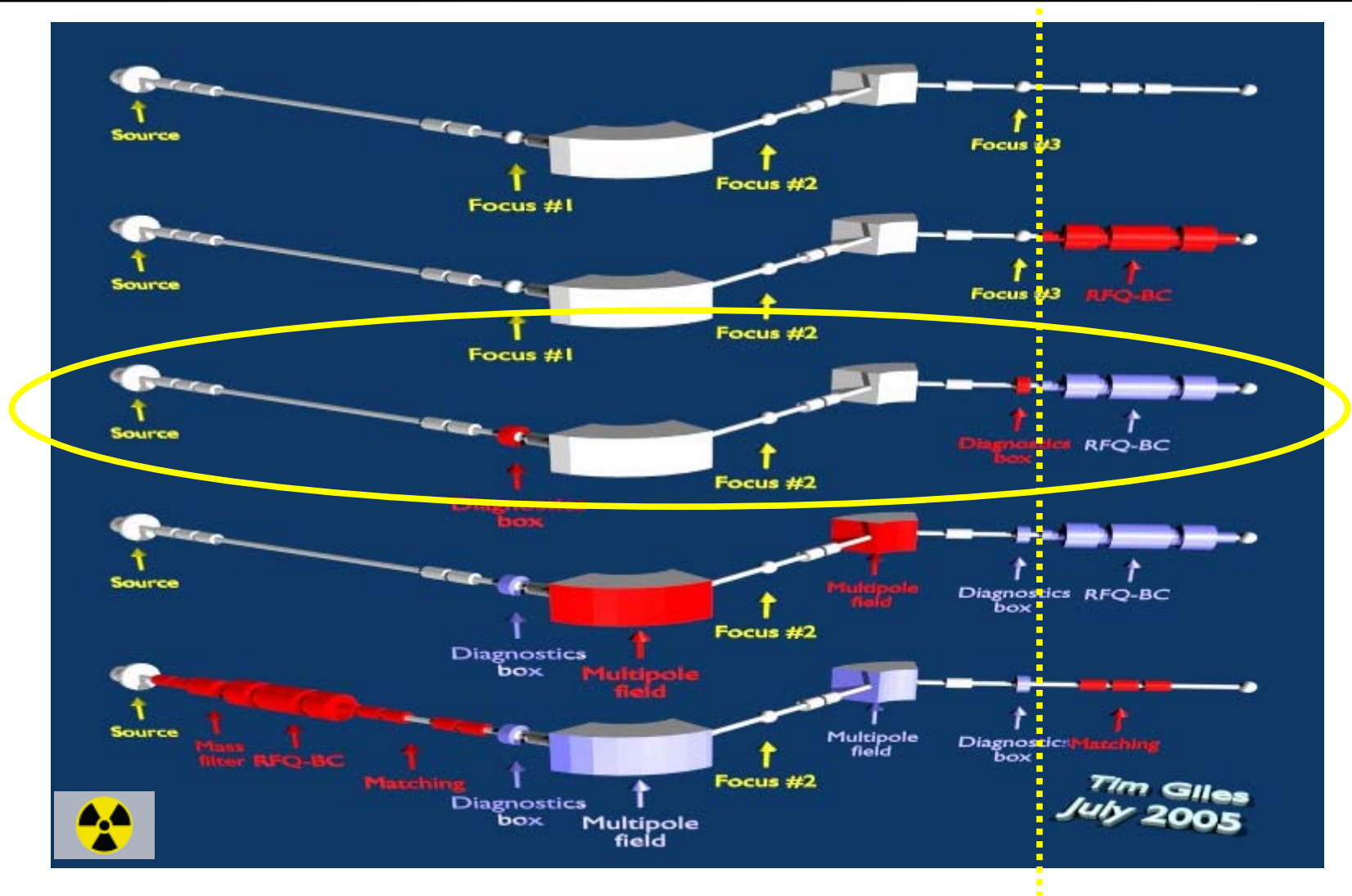
- a better beam quality matching downstream the acceptance of the experiments;
- a more efficient use of the HRS beam line;
- being able to manipulate radioactive ion beams.

The ISOLDE cooler is a radio-frequency quadrupole cooler and buncher (RFQCB) designed to meet those needs.

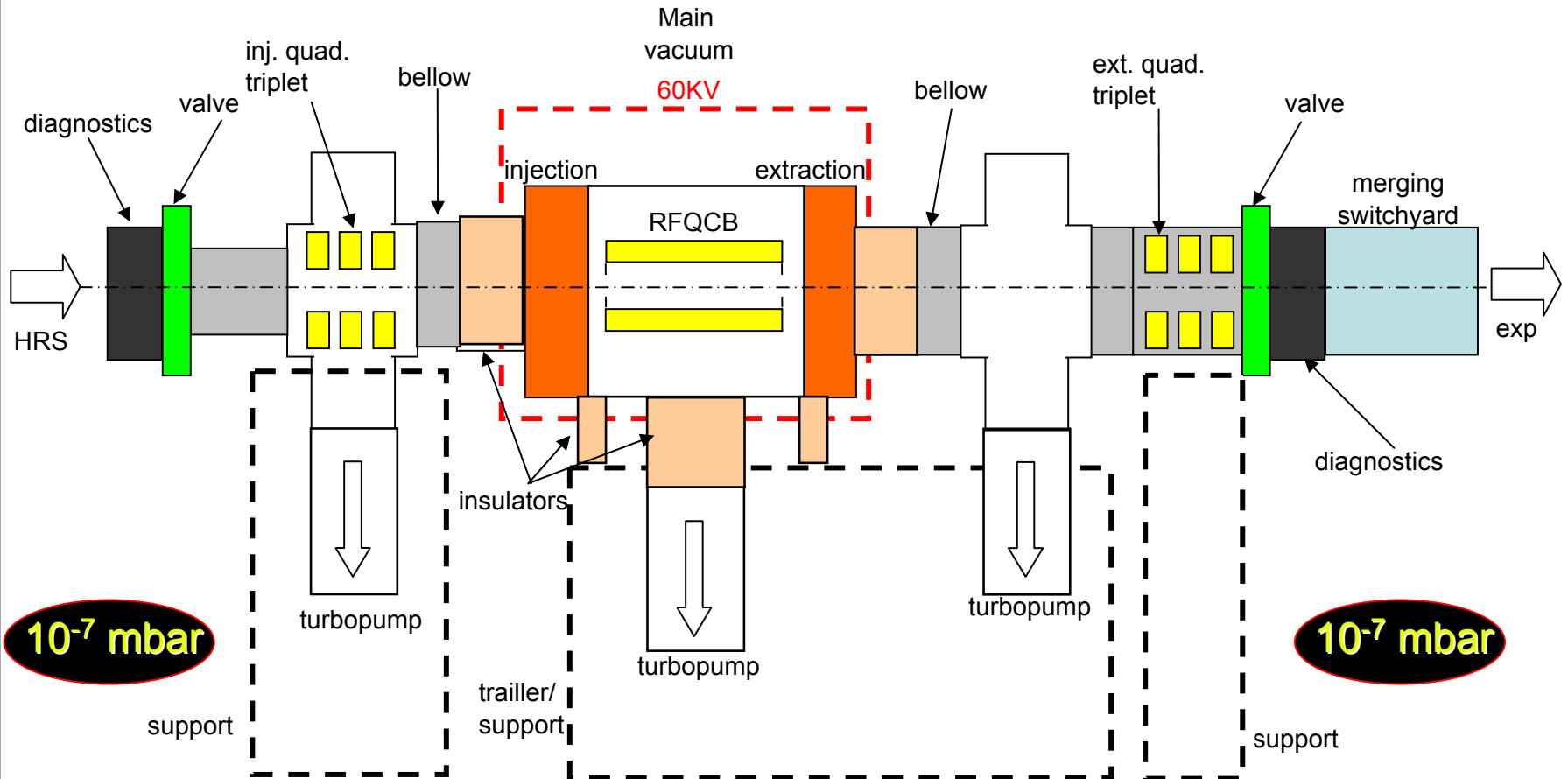
Because it can

- reduce the beam emittance and energy spread;
- control the time structure of the beam.

# Scheme of ISCOOL



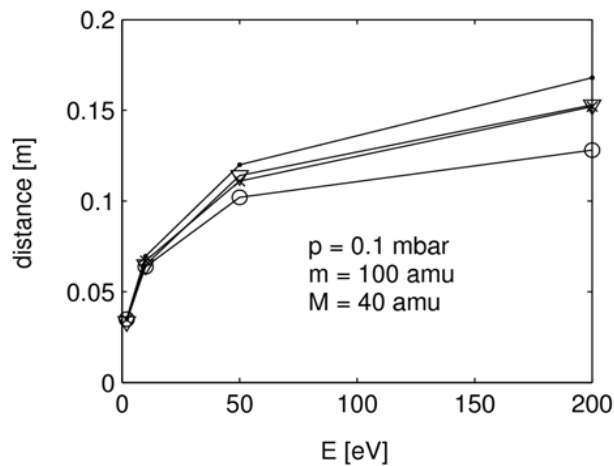
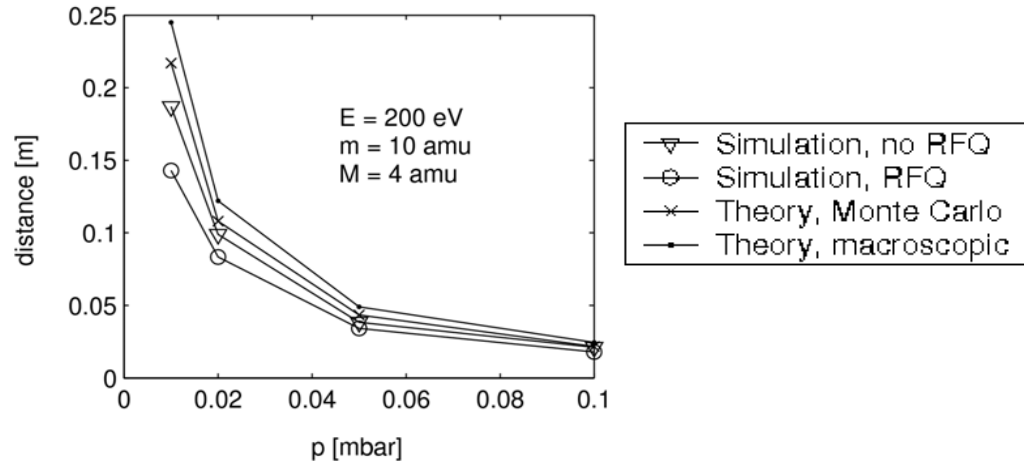
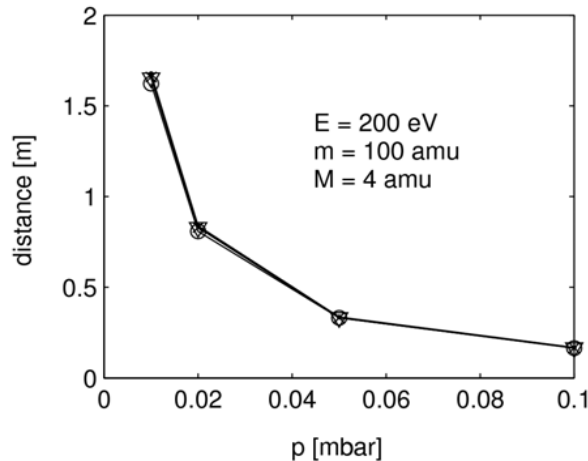
# Scheme of ISCOOL



I. Podadera, CERN-2006-013

# How it works:cooling

## Longitudinal stopping distance

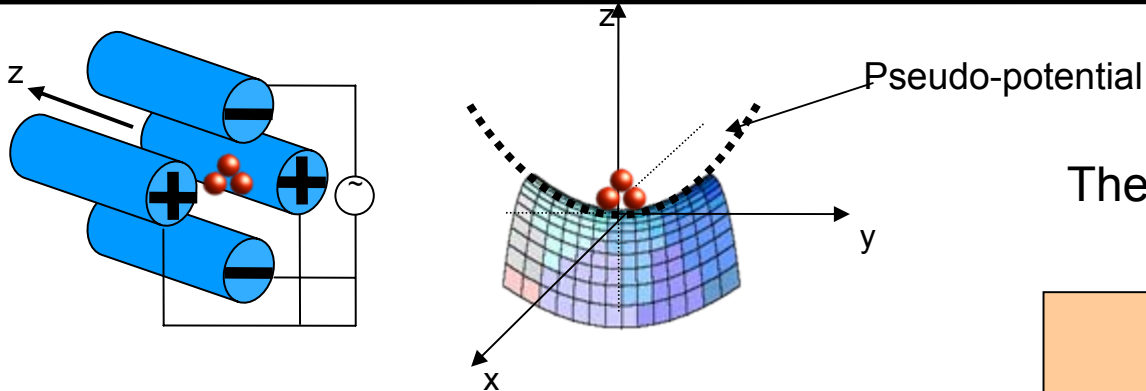


This distance will depend on the:

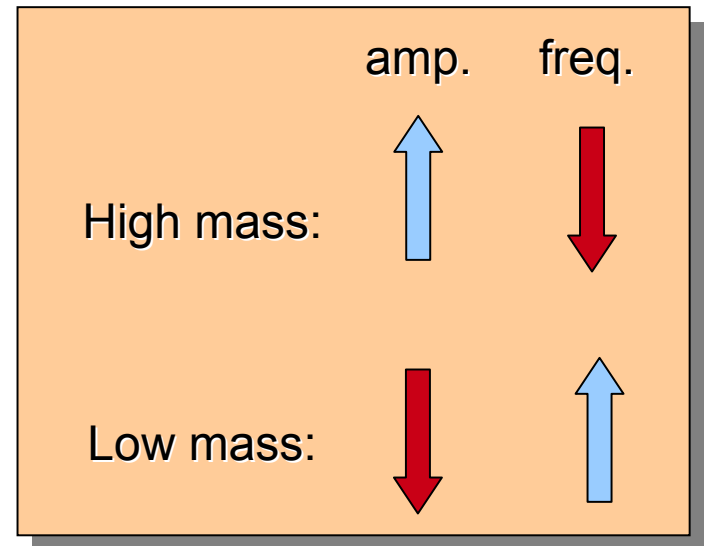
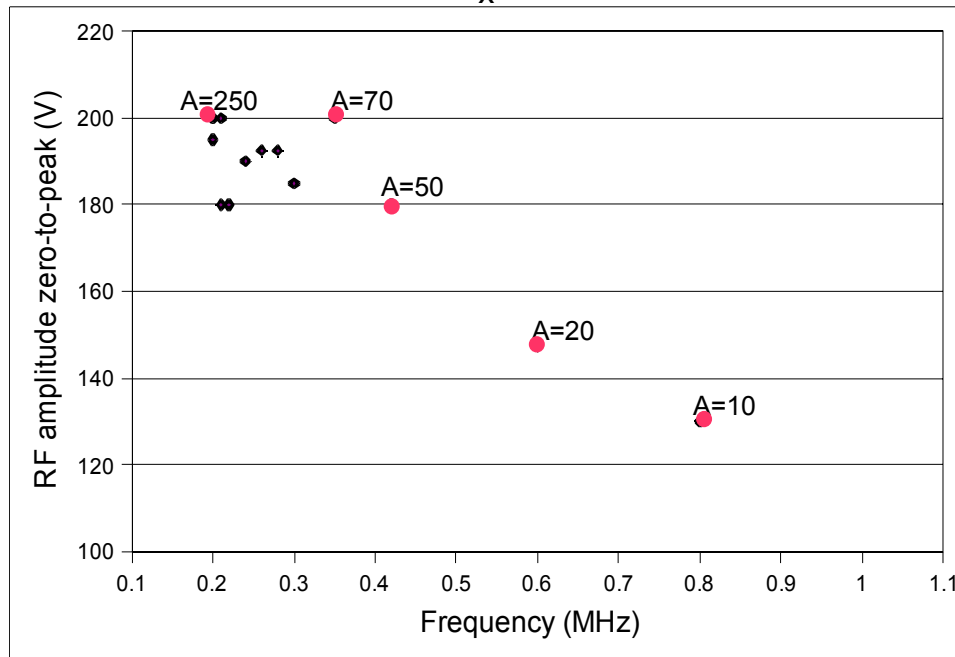
- beam energy at the injection (**200 eV**);
- ion mass;
- buffer gas mass ( **$^4\text{He}$** );
- gas pressure

M. Peterson, Masters Thesis 2002

# How it works: RFQ confinement



The RFQ potential is a rotating "horse saddle"



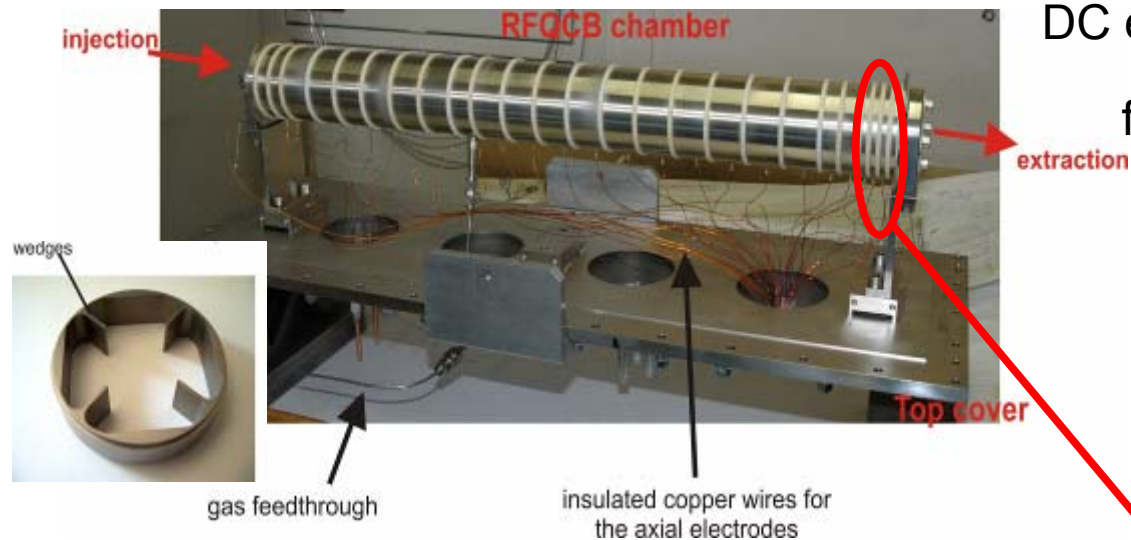
Solution:

**NG-VFO400/200-1200**

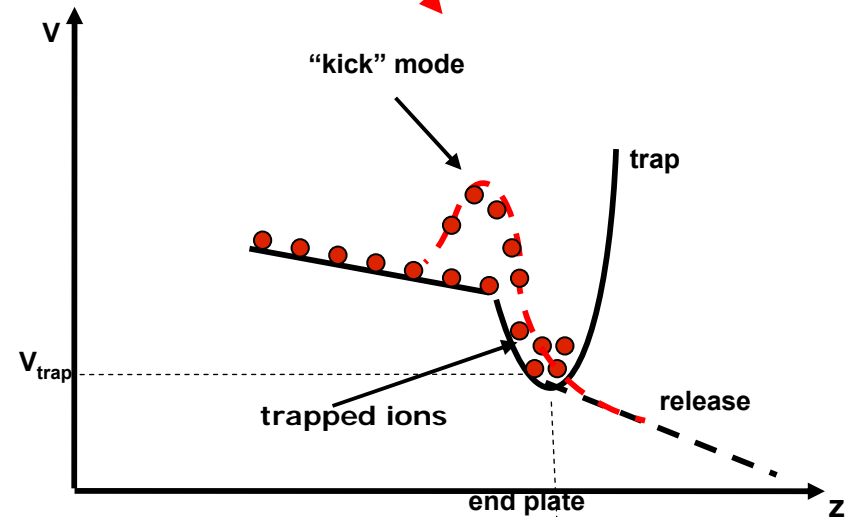
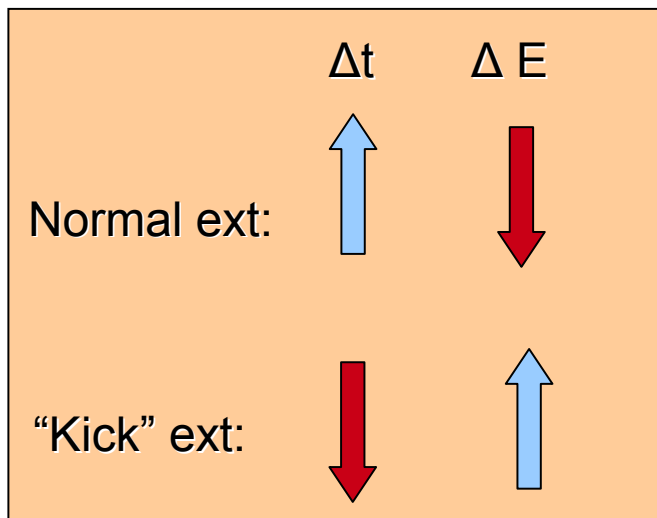
K. Rudolph

I. Podadera, PhD thesis 2006

# How it works: bunching



DC electrodes decoupled from the RF field.





# Off-line tests

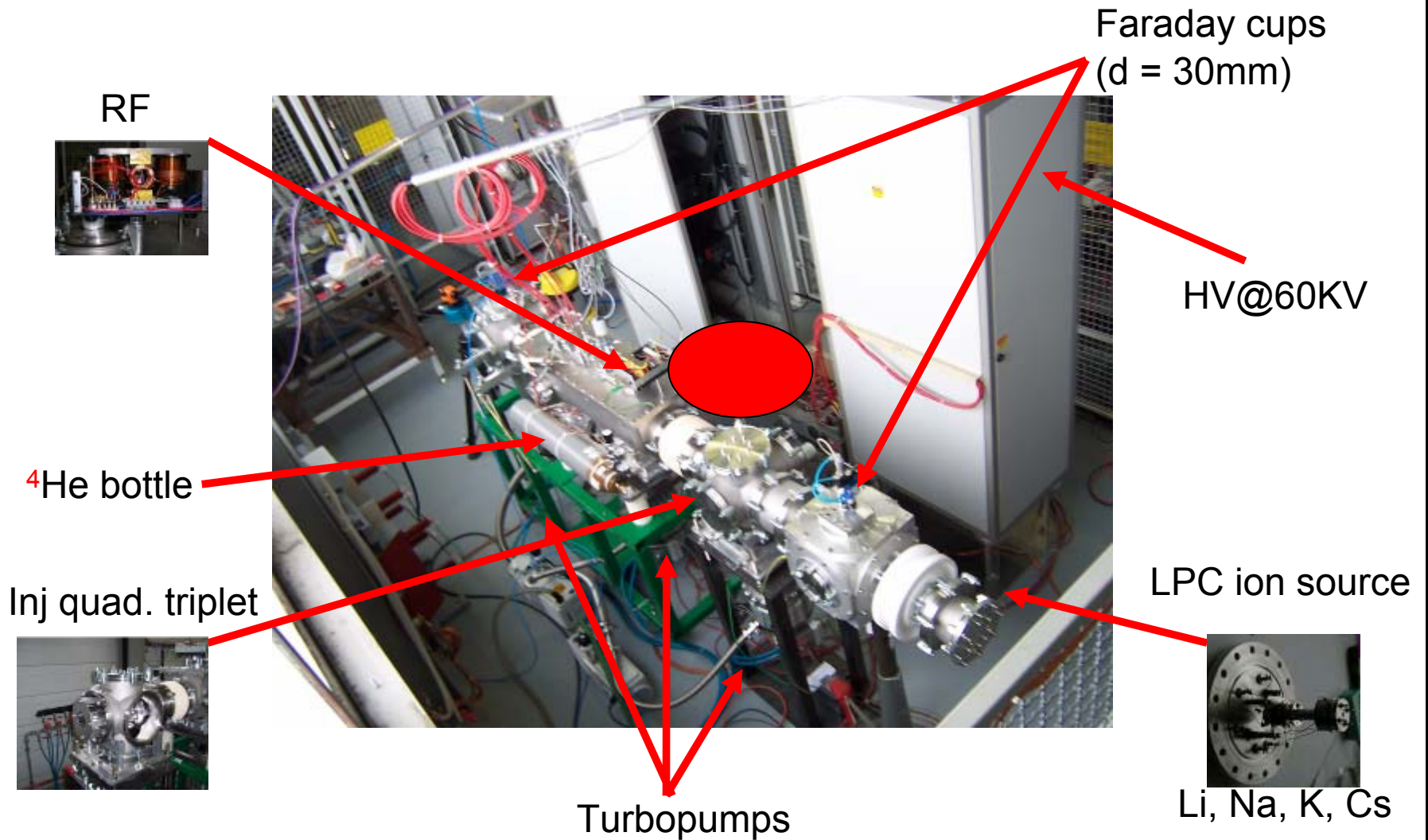
They aim at a complete characterisation prior to the installation of ISCOOL:

- Behaviour of vacuum, electronics and high voltage;
- Tests in continuous mode;
- Tests in bunched mode.

They have started in 09/2005 at building 275 in a dedicated test bench.

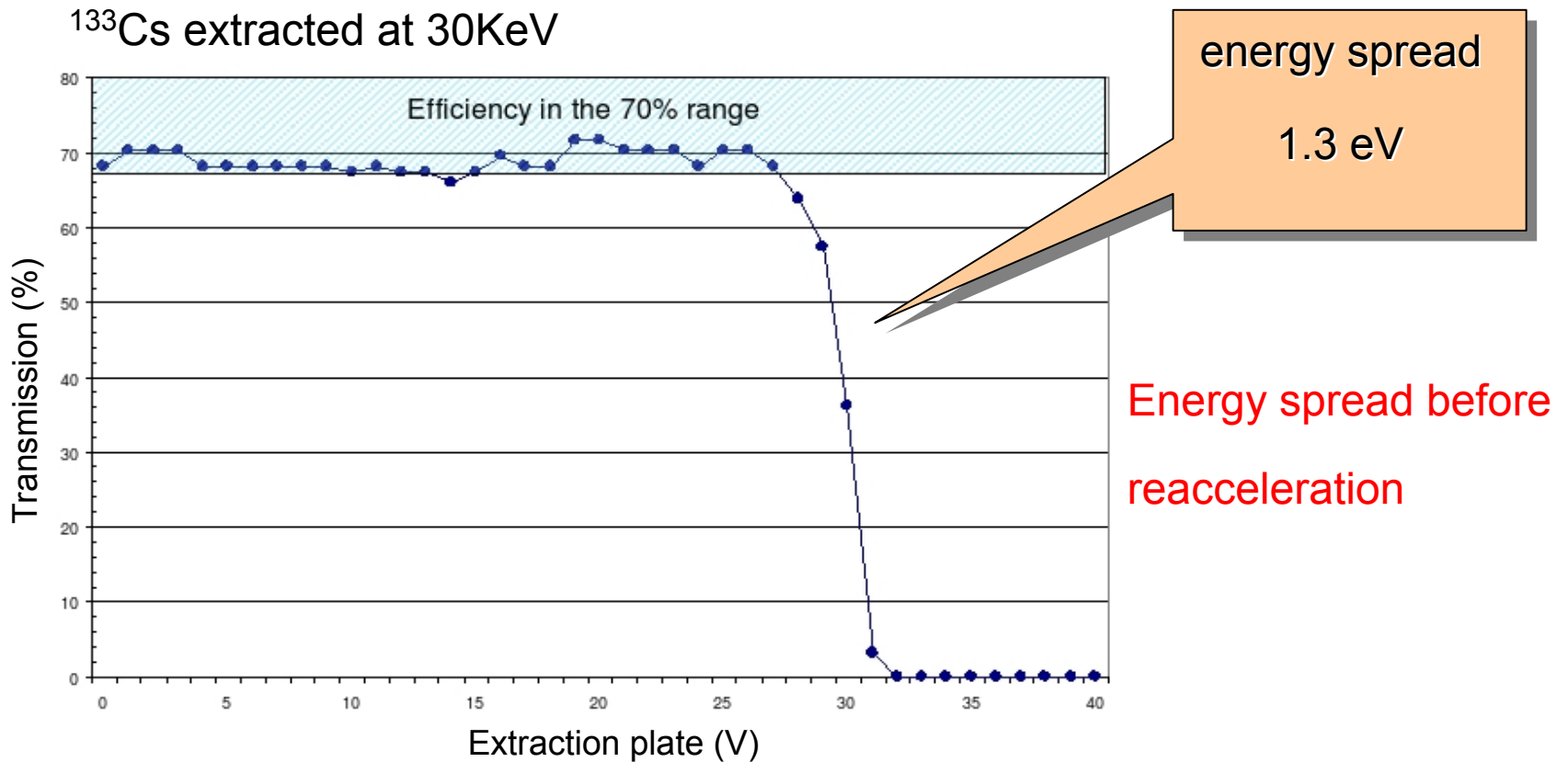
E. Mané and P. Delahaye

# Test bench



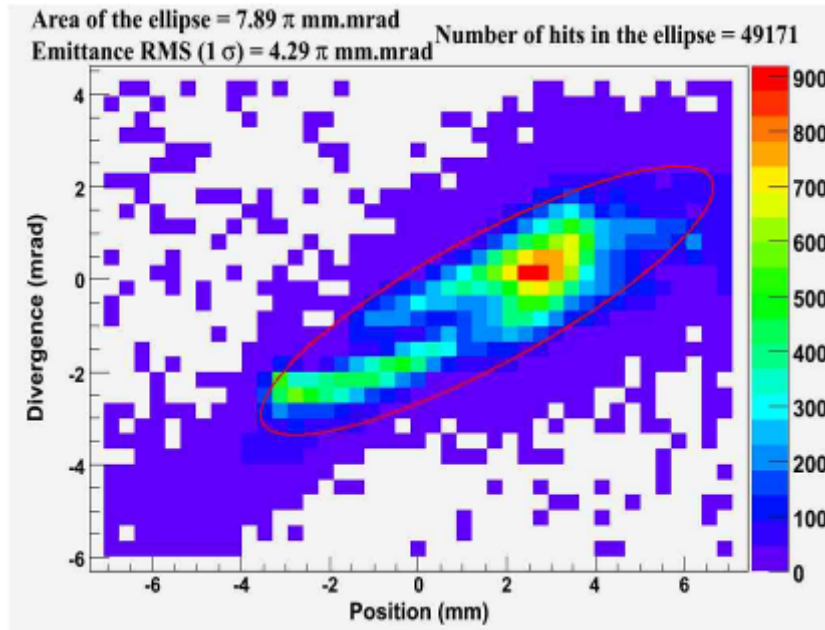
# Results

## Transmission in continuous mode



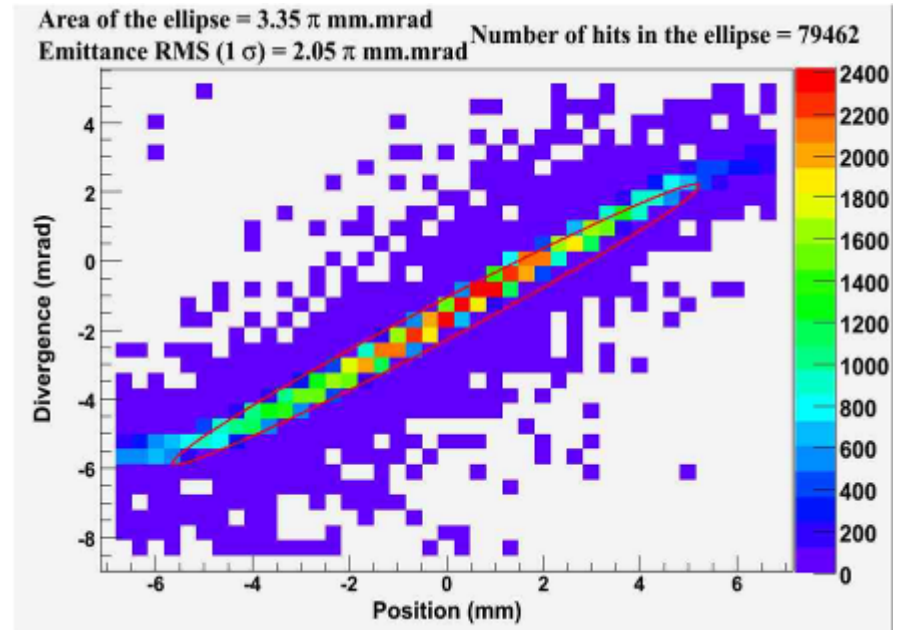
# Results

**No cooling, emittance  $4\pi$  mm.mrad**



**10pA** of  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  at 30KeV  
No buffer gas cooling  
x% transmission

**Cooled beam, emittance  $2\pi$  mm.mrad**



**70pA** of  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  at 30KeV  
He flow of  $8 \times 10^{-1}$  mbar l/s  
X% transmission

Where is this value from??

LPC

ISOLDE

ISCOOL acceptance

4

<

20

<

40

The emittance at the exit of the RFQ is ~ independent of the incoming beam.

# Next steps

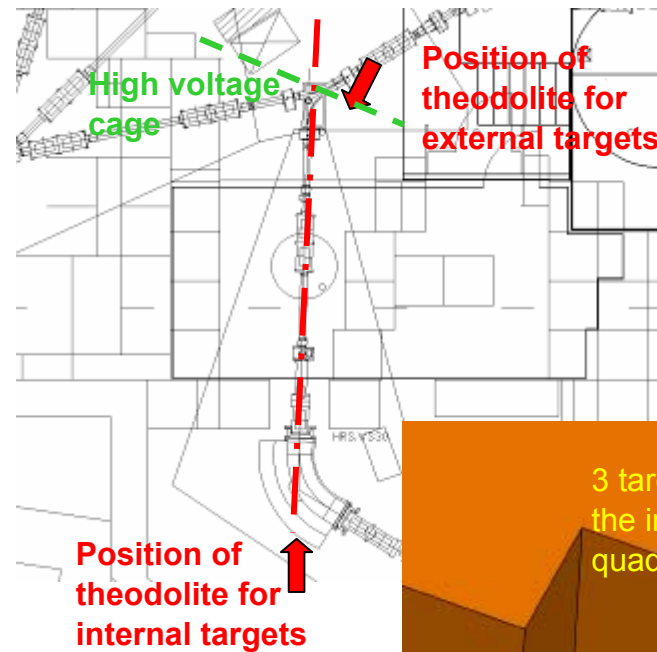
Concerning the off-line commissioning, we should

- **Finish the tests with the alkalis, in continuous and bunched modes;**
- **Extend the tests to other elements with an ISOLDE plasma ion source.**

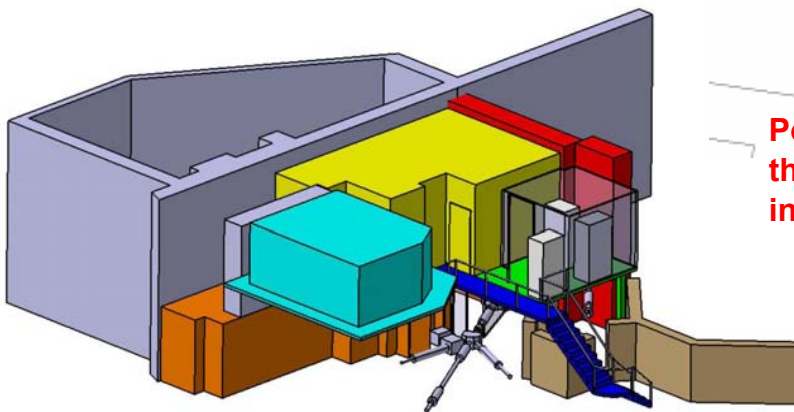
# Next steps

## On-line commissioning

H. Franberg

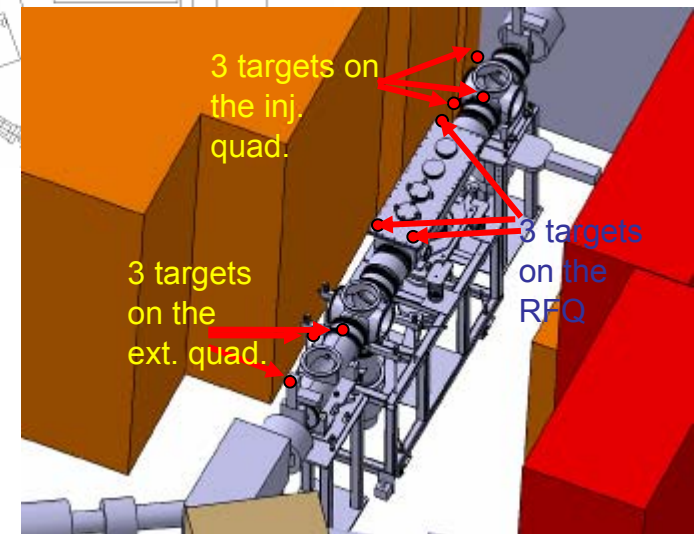


- RFQ alignment ( $\pm 1\text{mm}$ )
- Integration of vacuum
- High voltage platform
- High voltage cage
- Controls



Richard Catherall

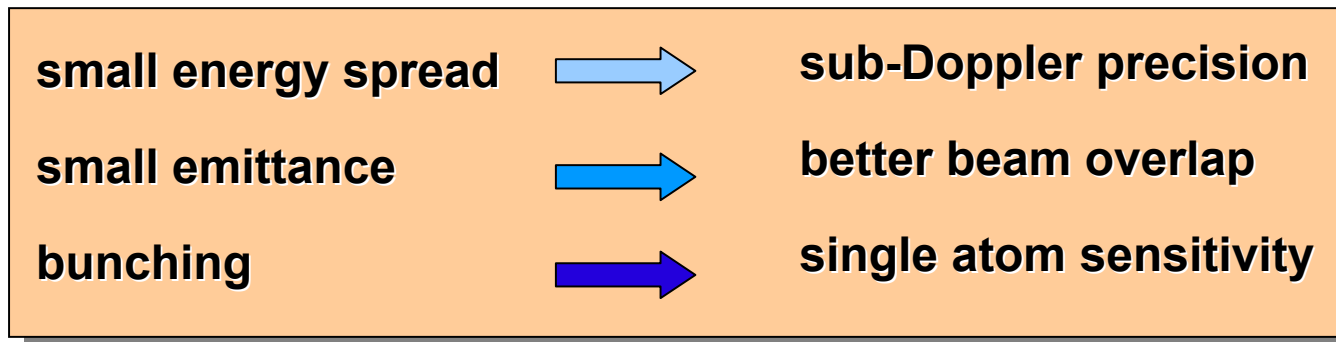
Stefano Marzari



# New opportunities for laser spectroscopy

## Techniques:

- Conventional fluorescence-detection methods;
- Collinear Resonance Ionization Spectroscopy (CRIS).



## The cooler also offers a convenient environment for:

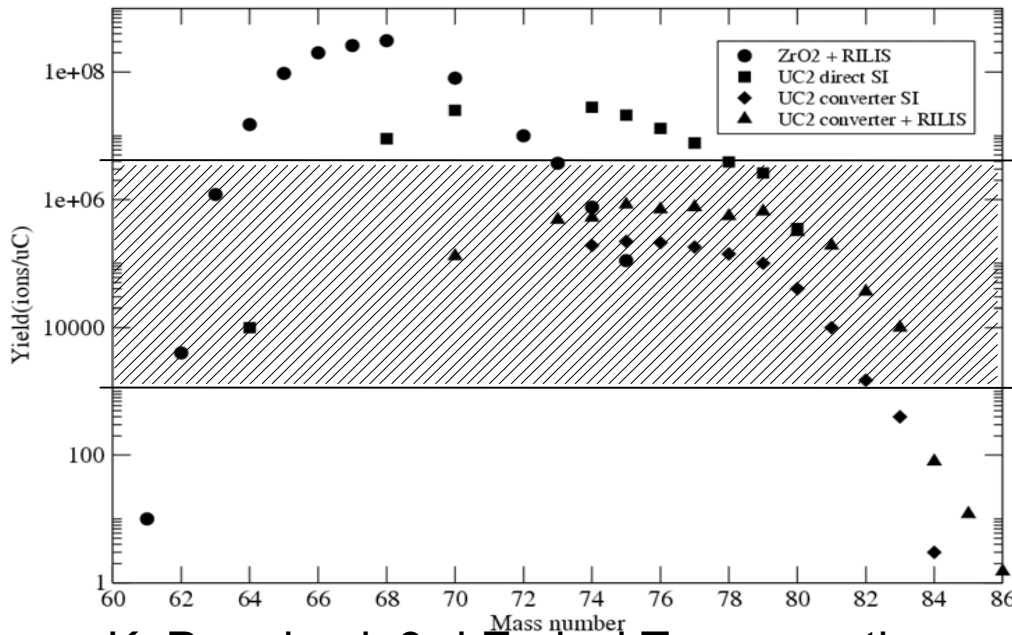
- performing optical pumping of ions;
- preparing ions in metastable state; **Ref to Jyväskylä**
- producing polarised or aligned nuclear beams.

# Example: Collinear laser technique + bunched ions

K. Flanagan *et. al.* Laser spectroscopy of radioactive *copper isotopes*. IS439

J. Billowes *et. al.* Laser spectroscopy of *gallium isotopes* using the ISCOOL RFQ cooler.  
CERN-INTC-2007-005

Yield curve for Ga isotopes



check efficiency with bradley

Without ISCOOL

With ISCOOL

I don't get the triangle  
isobars

gate width

accumulation time

consider space-charge

K. Perarjarvi. 3rd Eurisol Town meeting



# Summary

With ISCOOL at 30 keV and rf at 260 KHz,  $480V_{p-p}$ , the following preliminary results were accomplished so far for  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  :

- Greater than 70% efficiency in continuous mode;
- Transverse emittance  $\sim 2-4 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$ ;
- Energy spread of 1.3 eV

# Conclusions

- The off-line tests so far suggest that ISCOOL will work as expected;
- The best efforts have been put to place it on-line ASAP (September 2007);
- And finally

**The use of ISCOOL in conjunction with other techniques will enable us to further push the limits of the detection of radioactive nuclear beam observables.**

**Thank you for your attention**