

Fusion mit Laser und Teilchenstrahlen für die Stromerzeugung - Stand und Perspektiven



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National Ignition Facility



Aktualität

NIF Fertiggestellt 2009

Beginn Experimente 2009

Erste Kampagne 2010

Ende der ersten Kampagne 2012

Workshop Science for Ignition @ NIF

High-Foot Kampagne 2013



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Nuclear fusion milestone passed at US lab

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The achievement is the first of its kind anywhere in the world. Researchers at a US lab have passed a crucial milestone on the way to their ultimate goal of achieving self-sustaining nuclear fusion. Harnessing fusion - the process that powers the Sun - could provide an unlimited and cheap source of energy. But to be viable, fusion power plants would have to produce more energy than they consume, which has proven elusive. Now, a breakthrough by scientists at the National Ignition Facility (NIF) could boost hopes of scaling up fusion. NIF, based at Livermore in California, uses 192 beams from the world's most powerful laser to heat and compress a small target.



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Positioning the target for the National Ignition Facility's lasers.

Using the world's most powerful assembly of lasers, a team of researchers say they have, for the first time, extracted more energy from controlled nuclear fusion than was absorbed by the fuel to trigger it — crossing an important symbolic threshold on the long path toward commercial fusion power.

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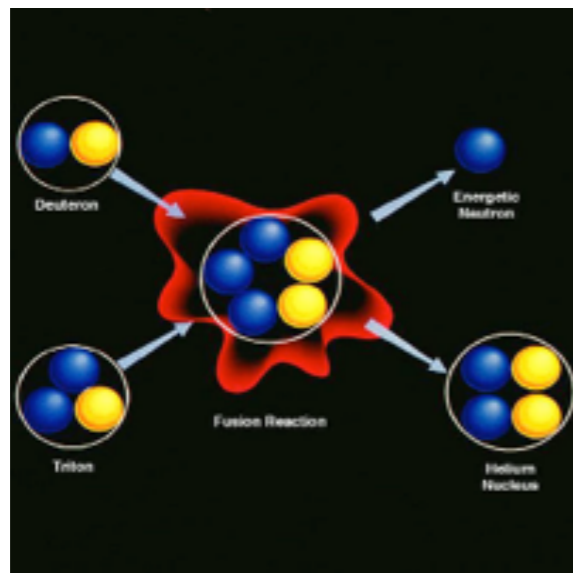
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Plasma Einschlussbedingung: Lawson Kriterium: $n\tau = 10^{14}$

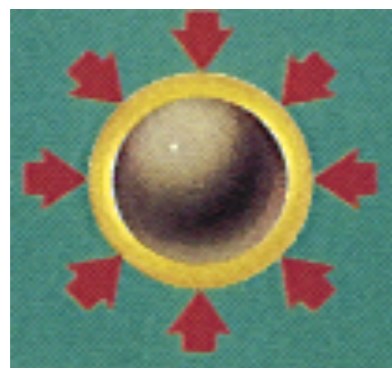


Magnetic Confinement Fusion

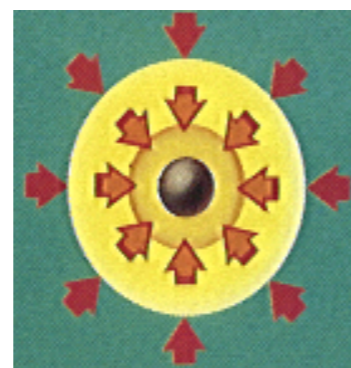
Dichte = 10^{14} cm^{-3}
Einschlusszeit = 1 Sekunde

Inertial Confinement Fusion

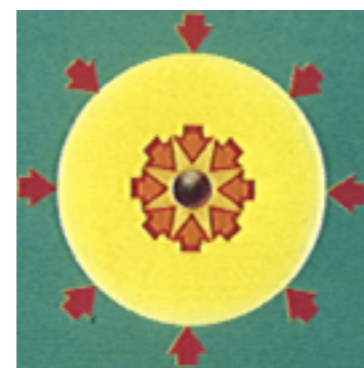
Dichte = 10^{25} cm^{-3}
Einschlusszeit = 10 Pikosekunden



Bestrahlung
der
Oberfläche



Kompression
(Raketen-
prinzip)



Zentrale
Zündung



Burn

$$n \cdot \tau \geq 10^{14} \text{ s/cm}^3 \rightarrow \rho R > 1 \text{ g/cm}^2$$

n: Particle number density [cm^{-3}]

ρ : density [g/cm^3]

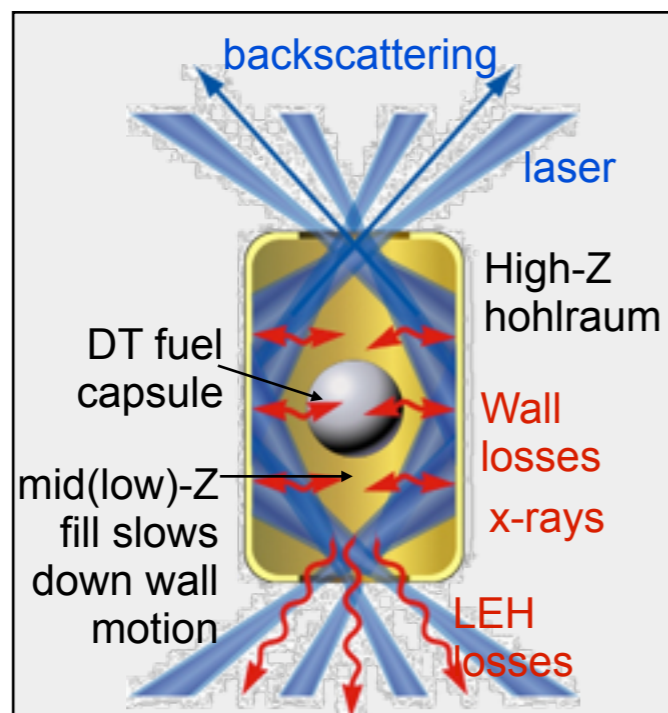
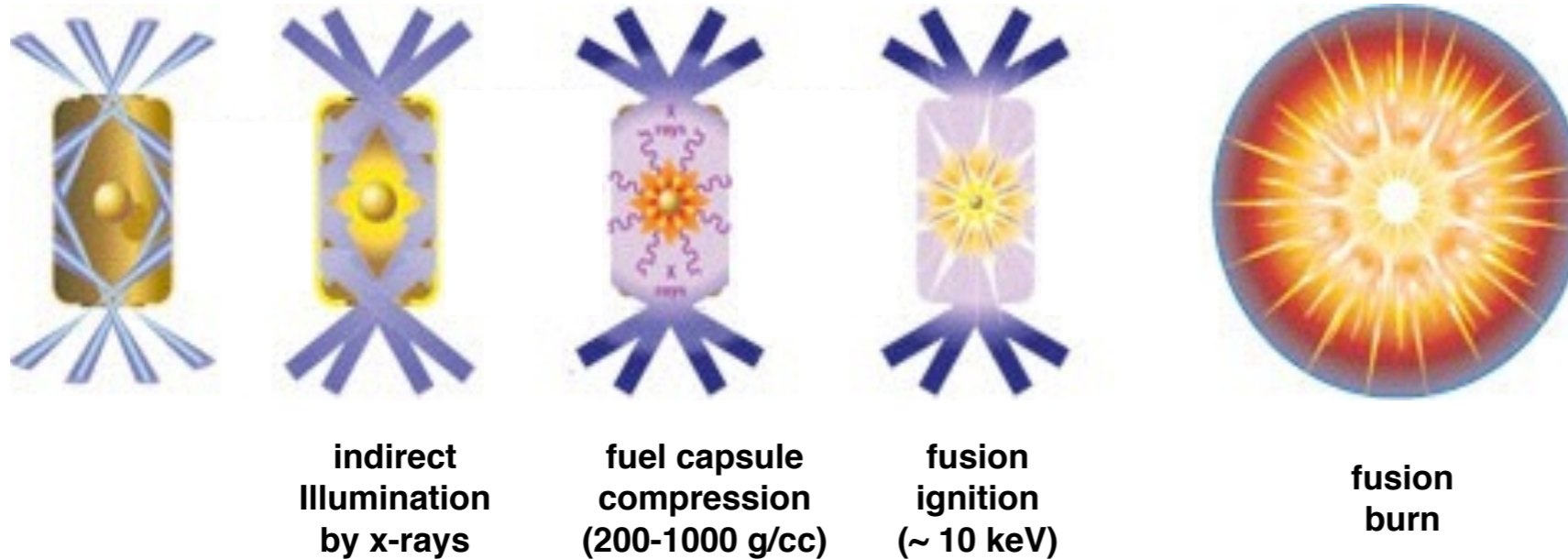
τ : Confinement time [s]

T: Temperature [keV]

R: compressed fuel radius

- Bei $\rho R = 3 \text{ g/cm}^2$ i.e. $f_b = 30\%$ $Y = 100 \text{ MJ/mg}$
- 1 mg DT muss komprimiert werden zu 336 g/cm^3
oder 1680 x Festkörperdichte (0.2 g/cm^3) für $\rho R = 3 \text{ g/cm}^2$.

Um die enormen Anforderungen an die Symmetrie zu gewährleisten wird in der ersten Kampagne die indirekte Zündung versucht



Zündung bedarf der Optimierung von:

- **Hohlraum Design:**
 - Laserabsorption/ -propagation, backscattering
 - Laser Konversionseffizienz in X-rays
 - Hohlraum Re-emissionseffizienz (Wand+LEH Verluste)
- **Implosiondynamik der Kompression**
 - shock timing, EOS ablator studies
- **Kompressionssymmetrie der Kapsel**

NIF

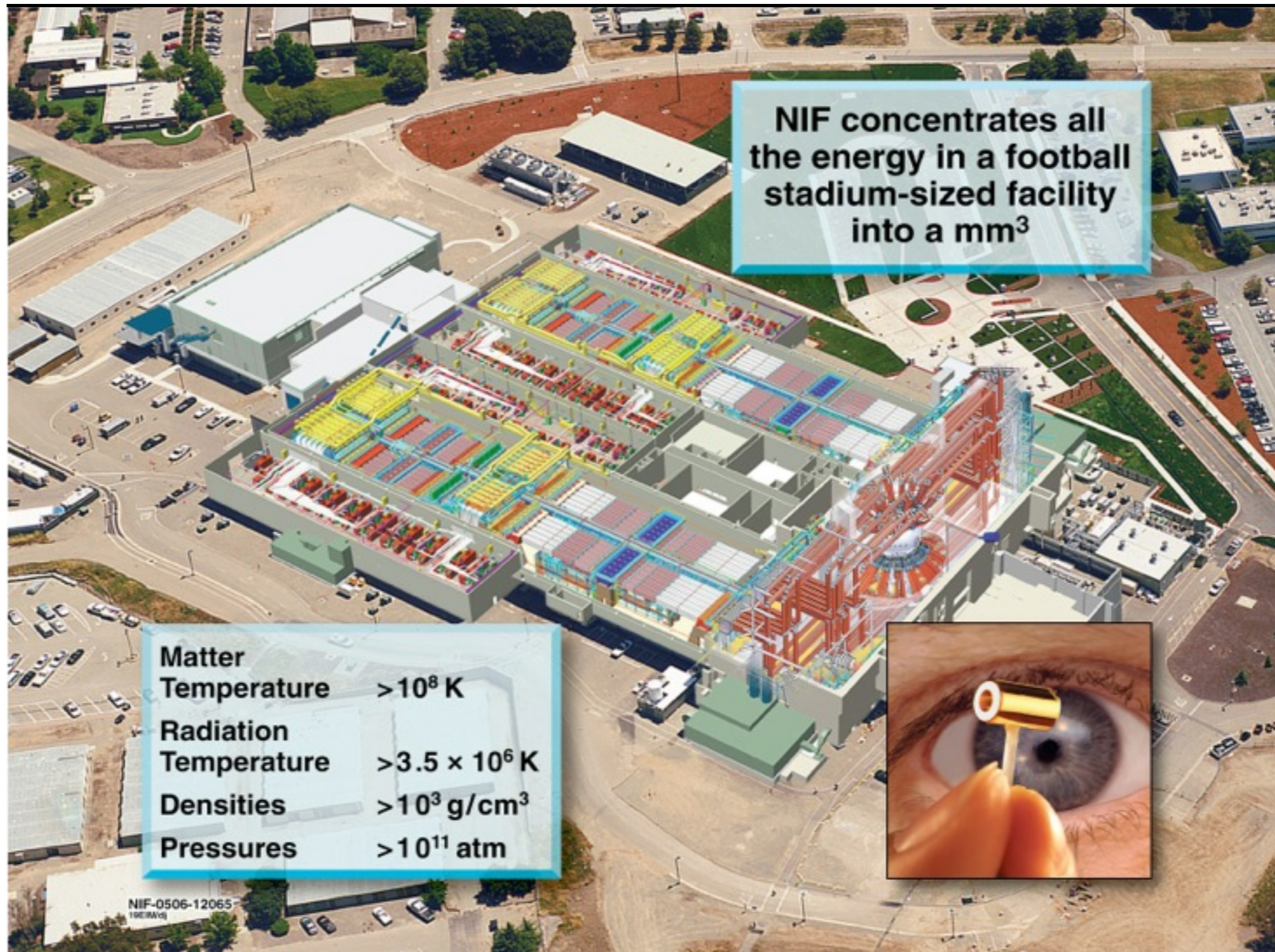


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Aufgabe: Verlässliche Zündung einer Fusionsreaktion mit Gain bei niedrigster möglicher Laserenergie



Eine von zwei Laserbays

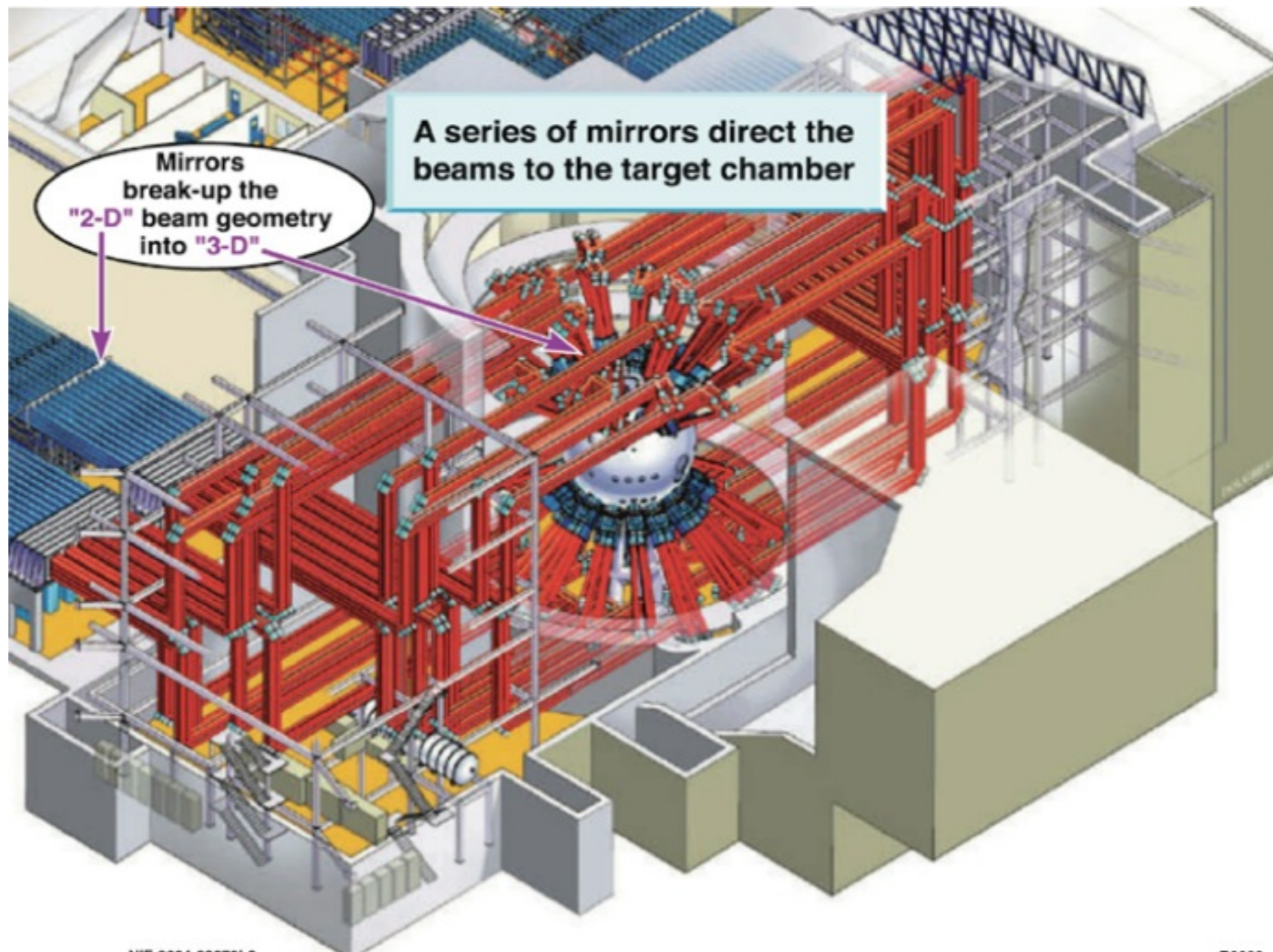


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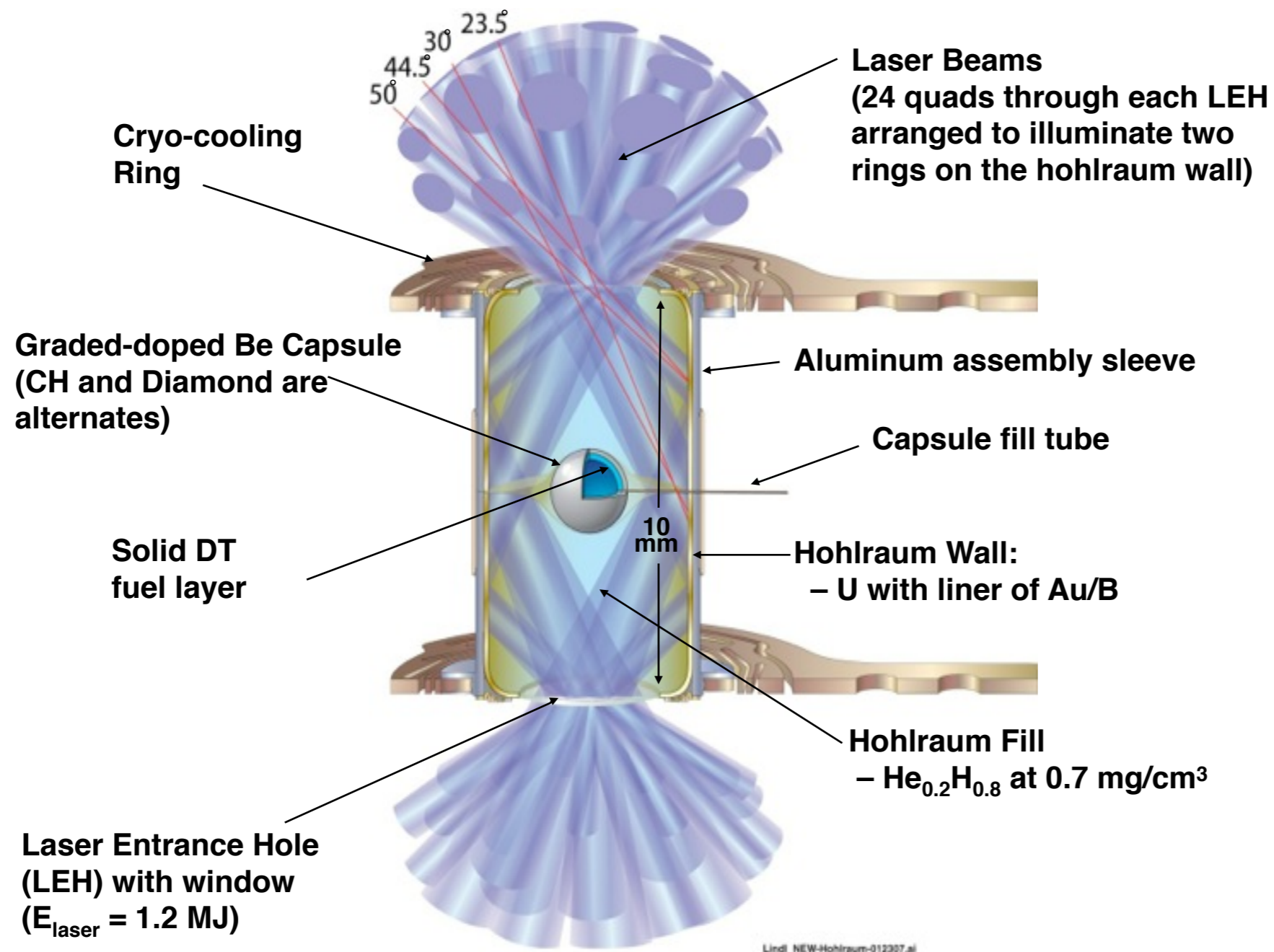
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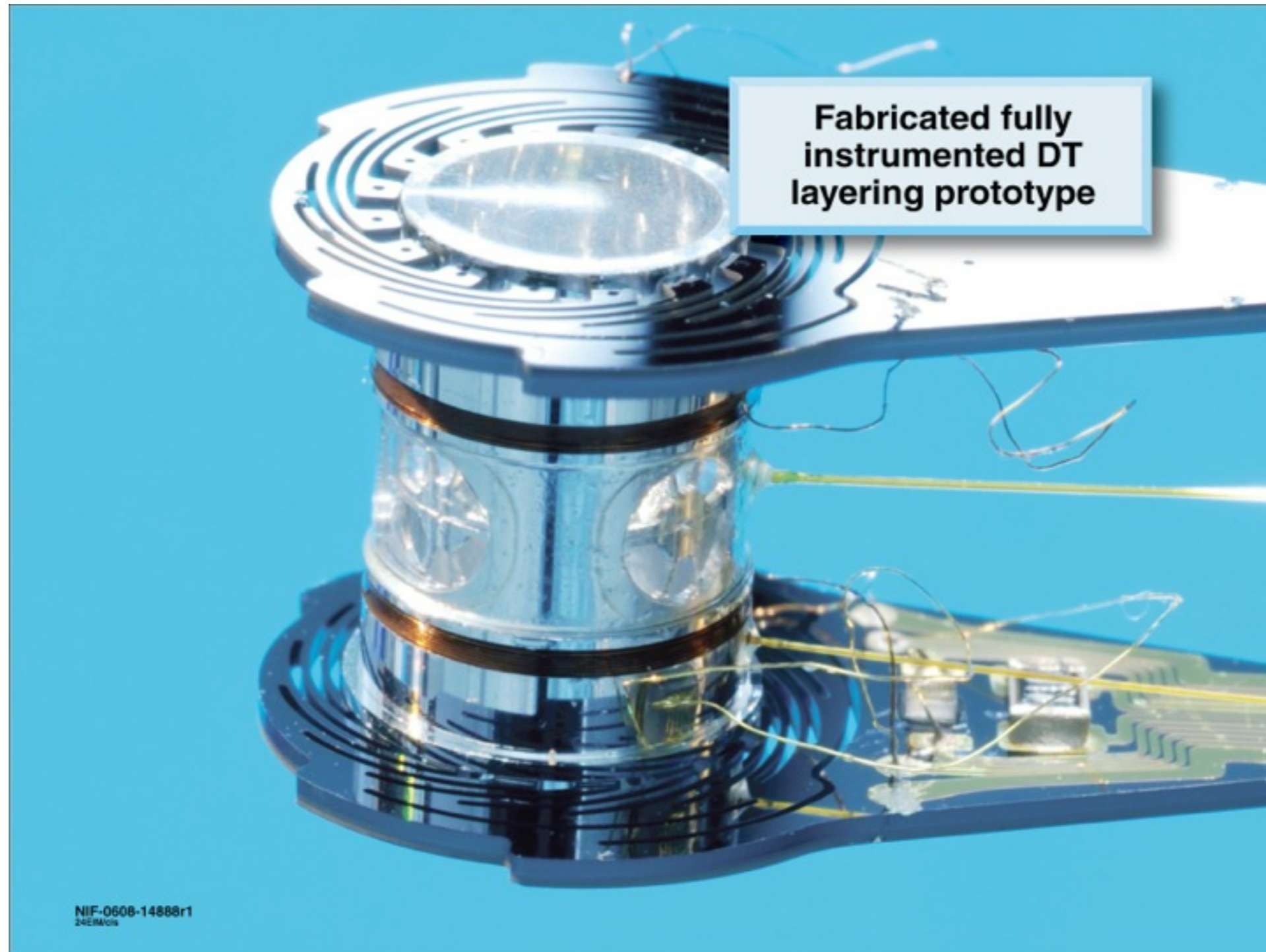


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The NIF point design has a graded-doped, plastic capsule in a hohlraum driven at 285 eV





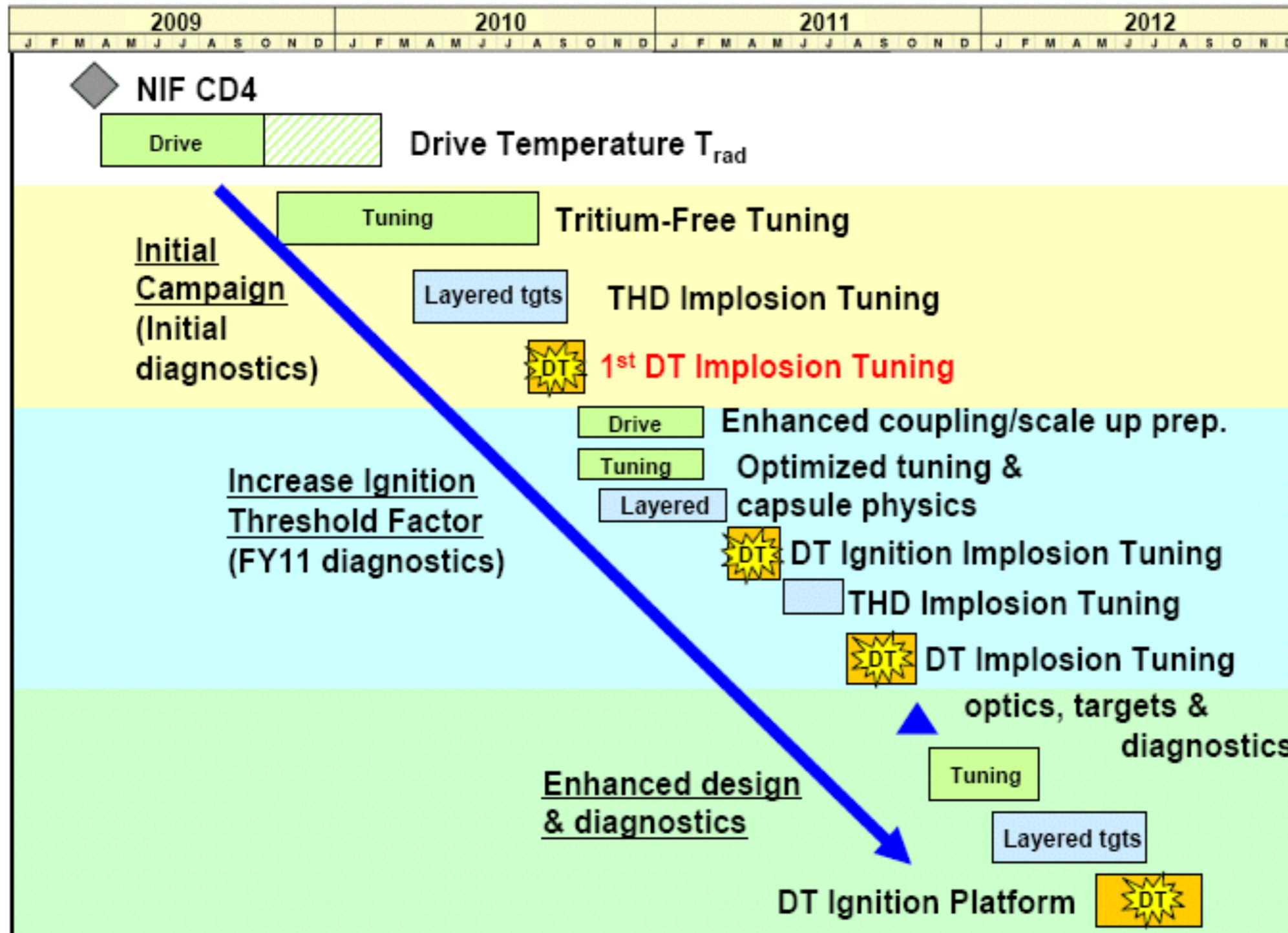
The NIC is structured to develop a robust burning plasma platform by the end of 2012



The National Ignition Campaign



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NIF hat bislang keine Zündung erreicht was ging schief? wo stehen wir?....



Update on the pathway to ignition at the National Ignition Facility (NIF)

Presentation to
LANSA, Yokohama
April 23, 2013

Dr Mike Dunne
Program Director, Laser Fusion Energy, LLNL

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Progress Toward Ignition at the National Ignition Facility

Presentation to
European Physical Society Meeting
Espoo, Finland
July 1, 2013

D. E. Hinkel

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The High-Foot Implosion Campaign

APS DPP Meeting

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Nov. 13, 2013

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Quicklook for N140304-003-999 I_Abl_DT_HfootDU_S02 (March 4, 2014)

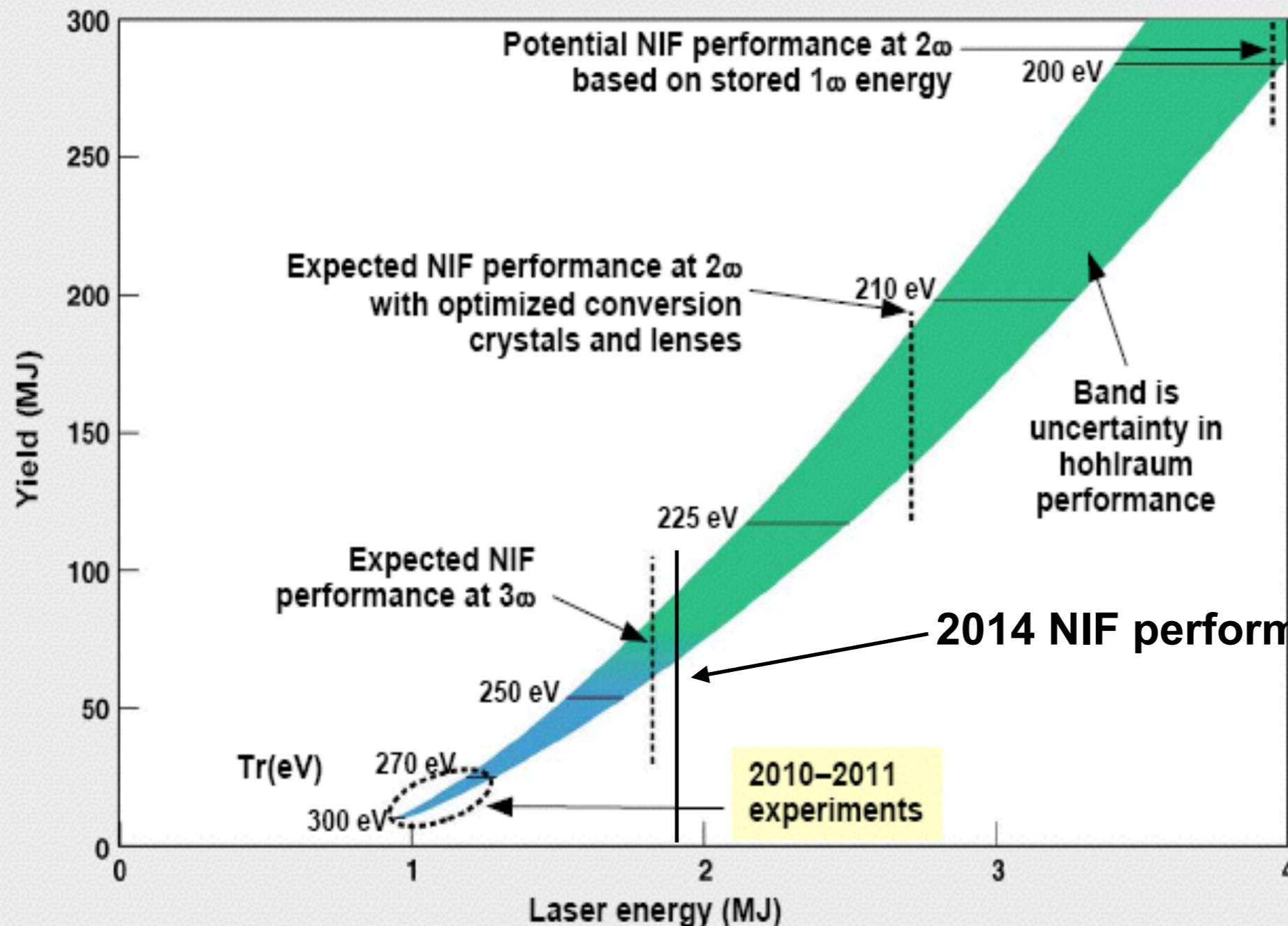


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+ High-Foot team

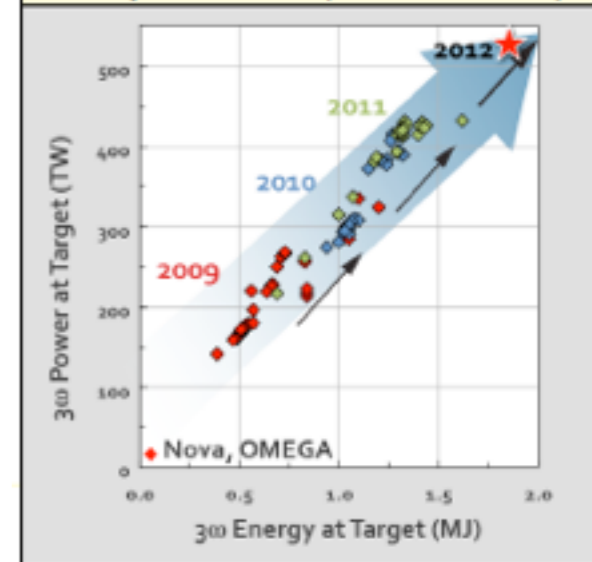
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NIF hat seine Designparameter inzwischen weit übertroffen

Yields versus laser energy for NIF geometry hohlraums



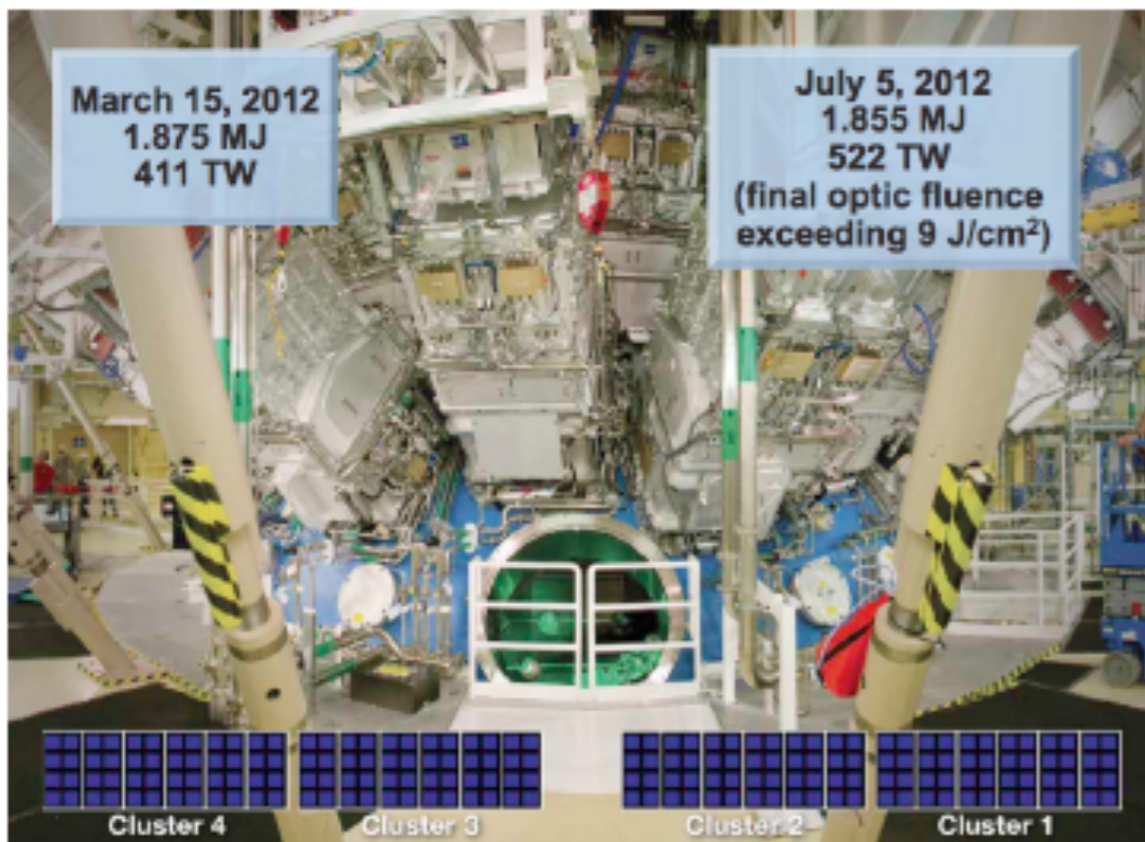
Increase in energy of roughly 10kJ/week, now exceeding the original NIF specifications (1.8 MJ / 500 TW)



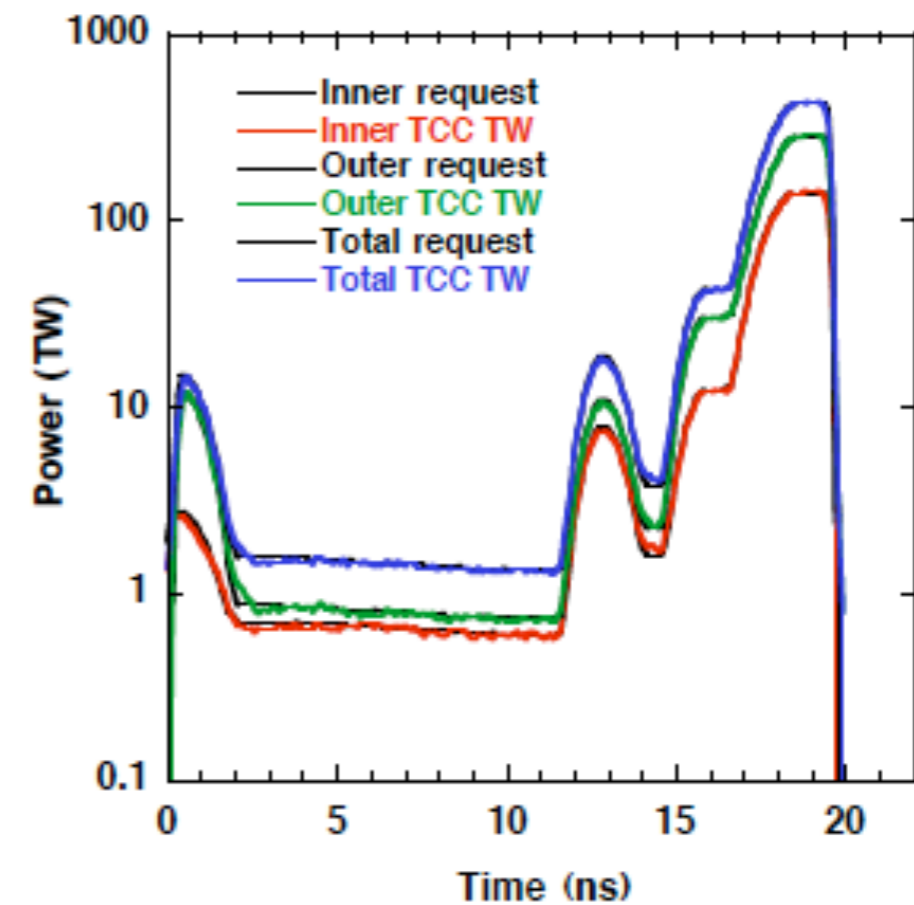
alle drei Monate wird das bislang stärkste Lasersystem der Welt (NOVA) addiert

NIF Tests erfüllen (und oft übertreffen) die Design Spezifikationen, die für die Zündung erwartet werden

NIF surpassed its milestone of 1.8 MJ of 3ω energy, 500 TW on target



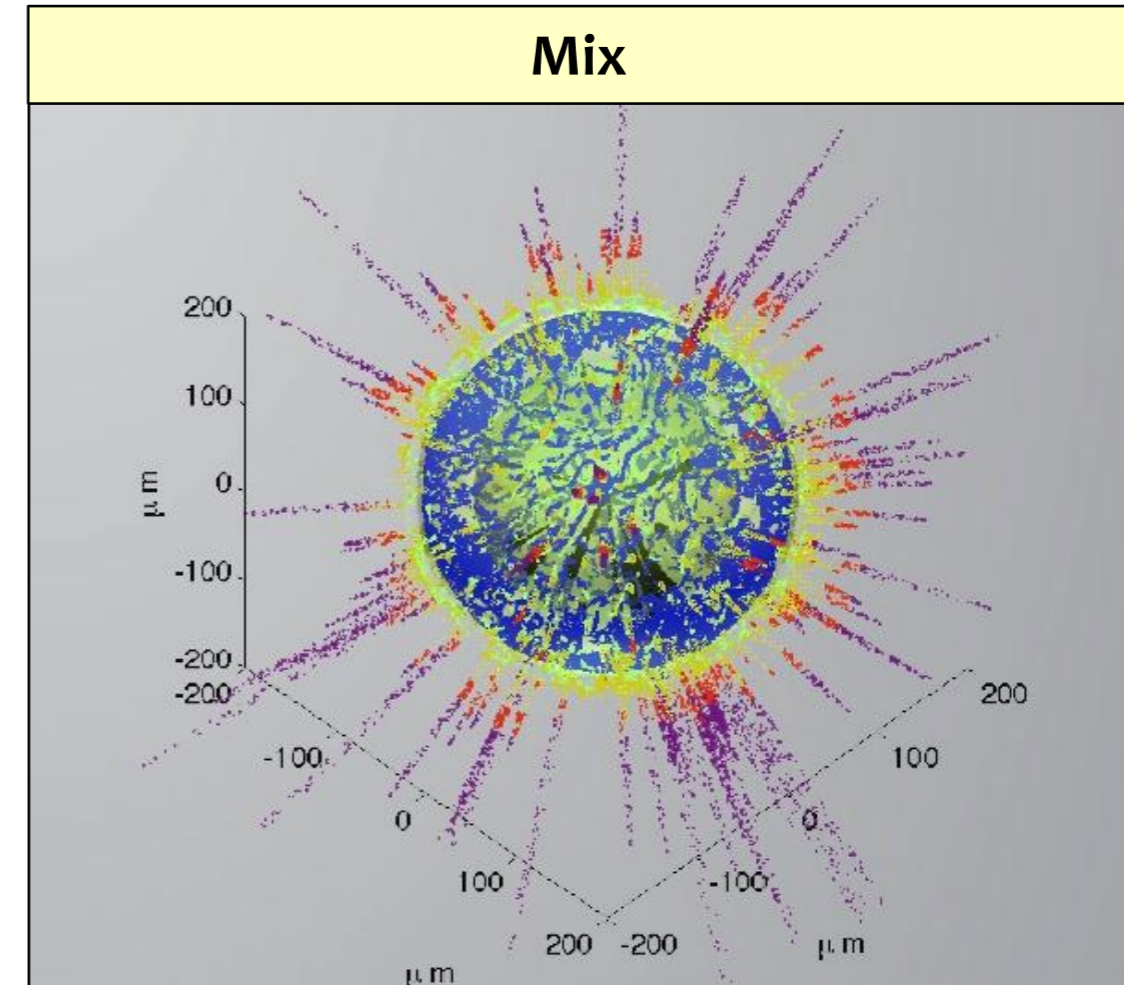
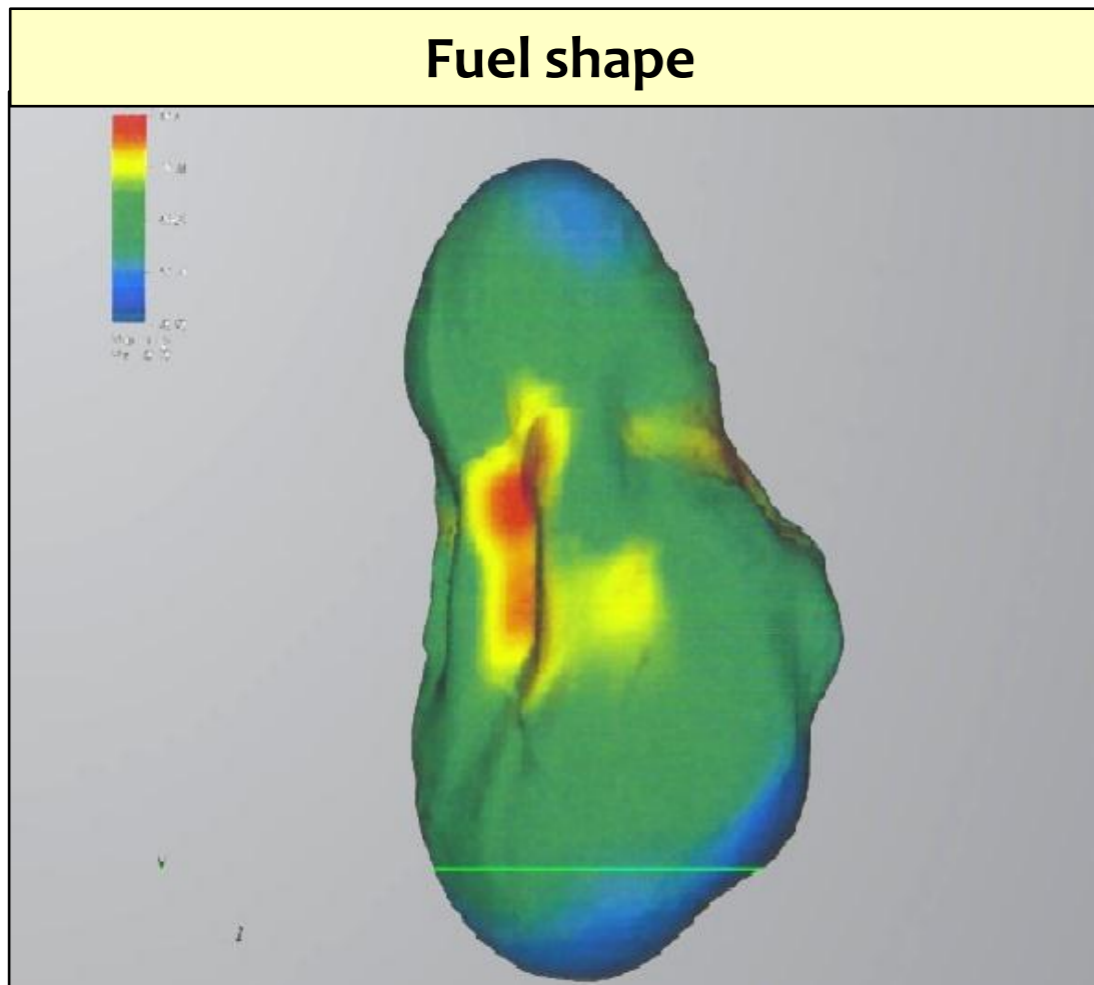
Precision at NIF enables tuning and reproducibility



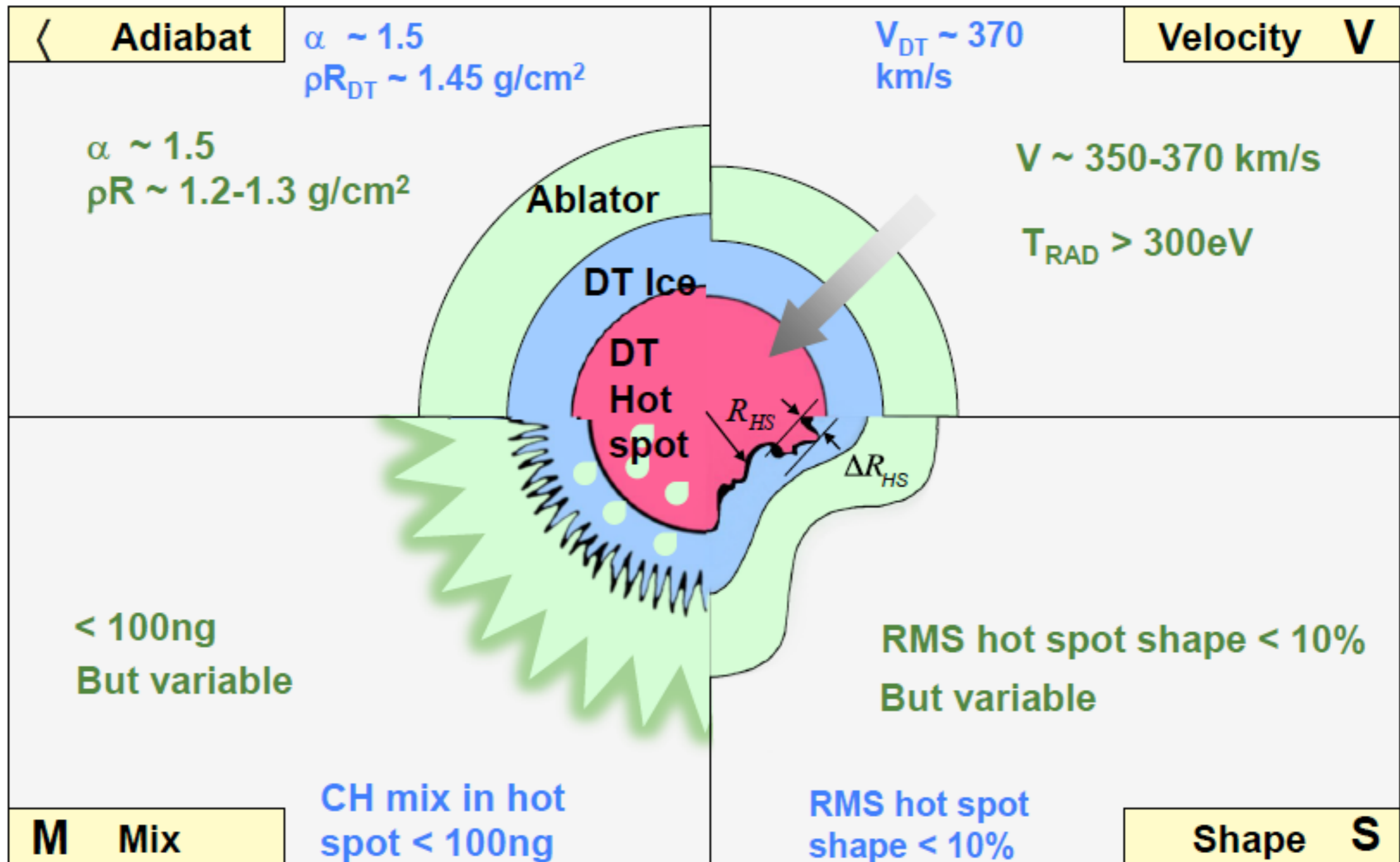
NIF ist das zuverlässigste Lasersystem das je gebaut wurde

Jedes Experiment des Lasers ist exakt reproduzierbar

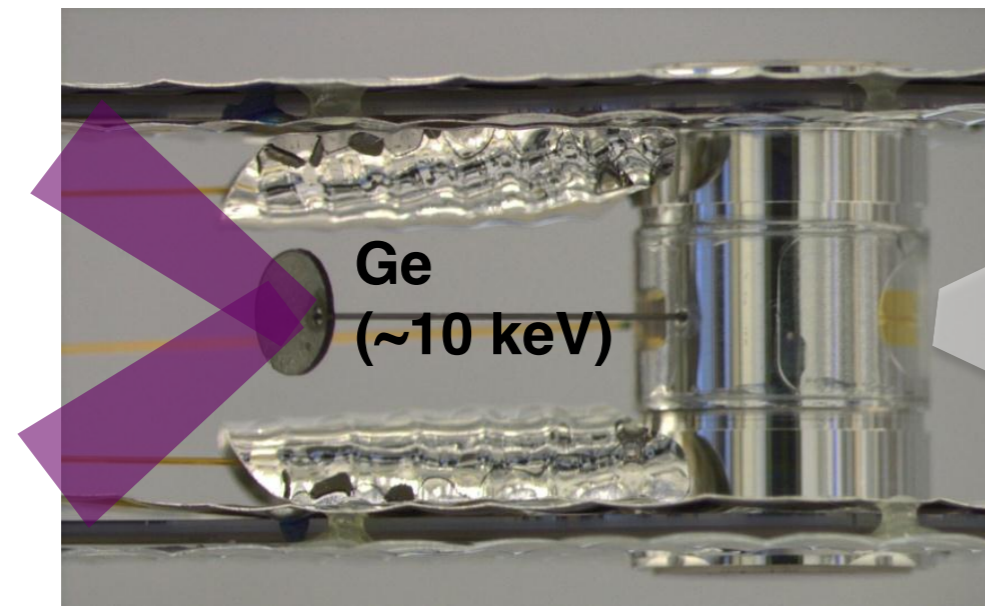
Vermutete Hauptgründe für das Versagen bei der Zündung



Einzelnen wurde fast alle Anforderungen im Experiment erreicht

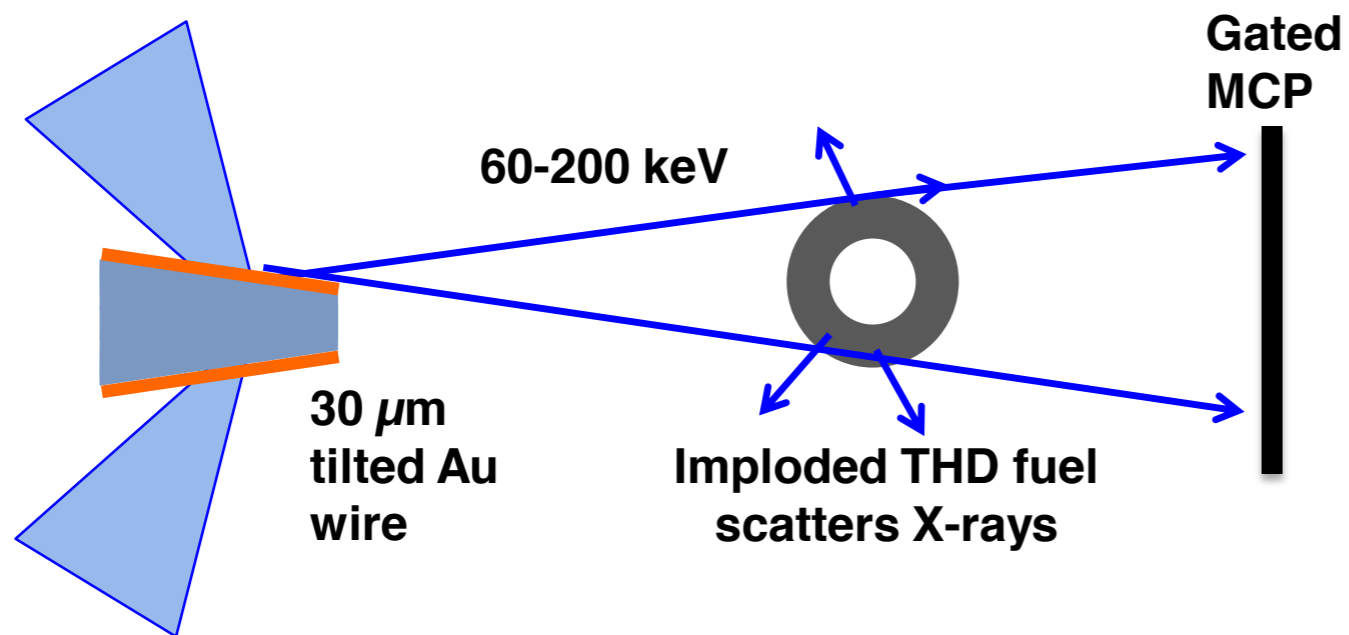
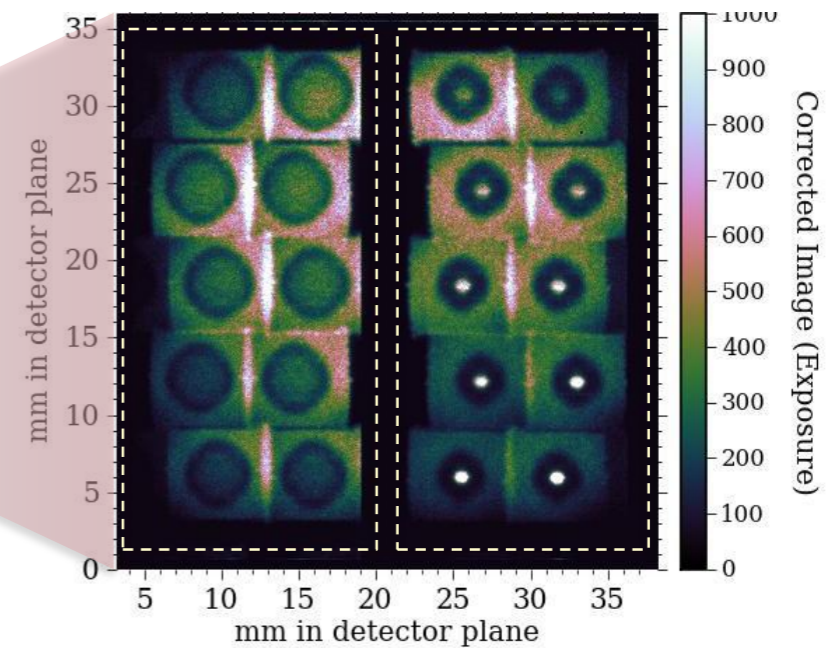


New radiography capabilities used to measure low mode fuel asymmetry (Oct 2012 - Mar 2013)

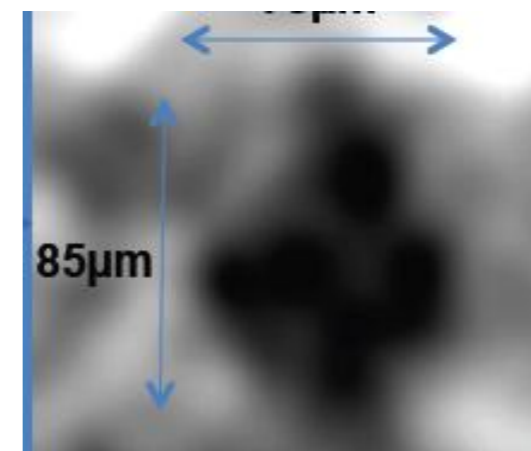


Pinhole array

Gated images N121004

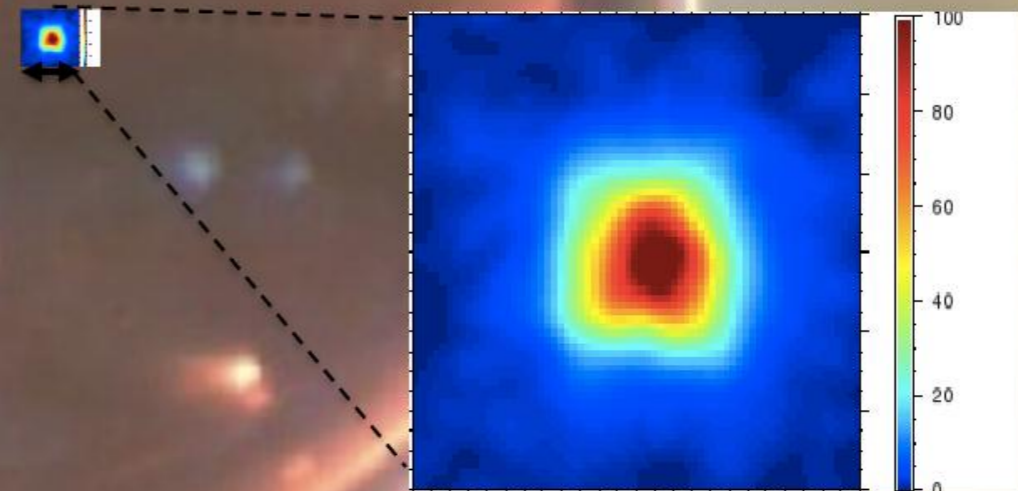
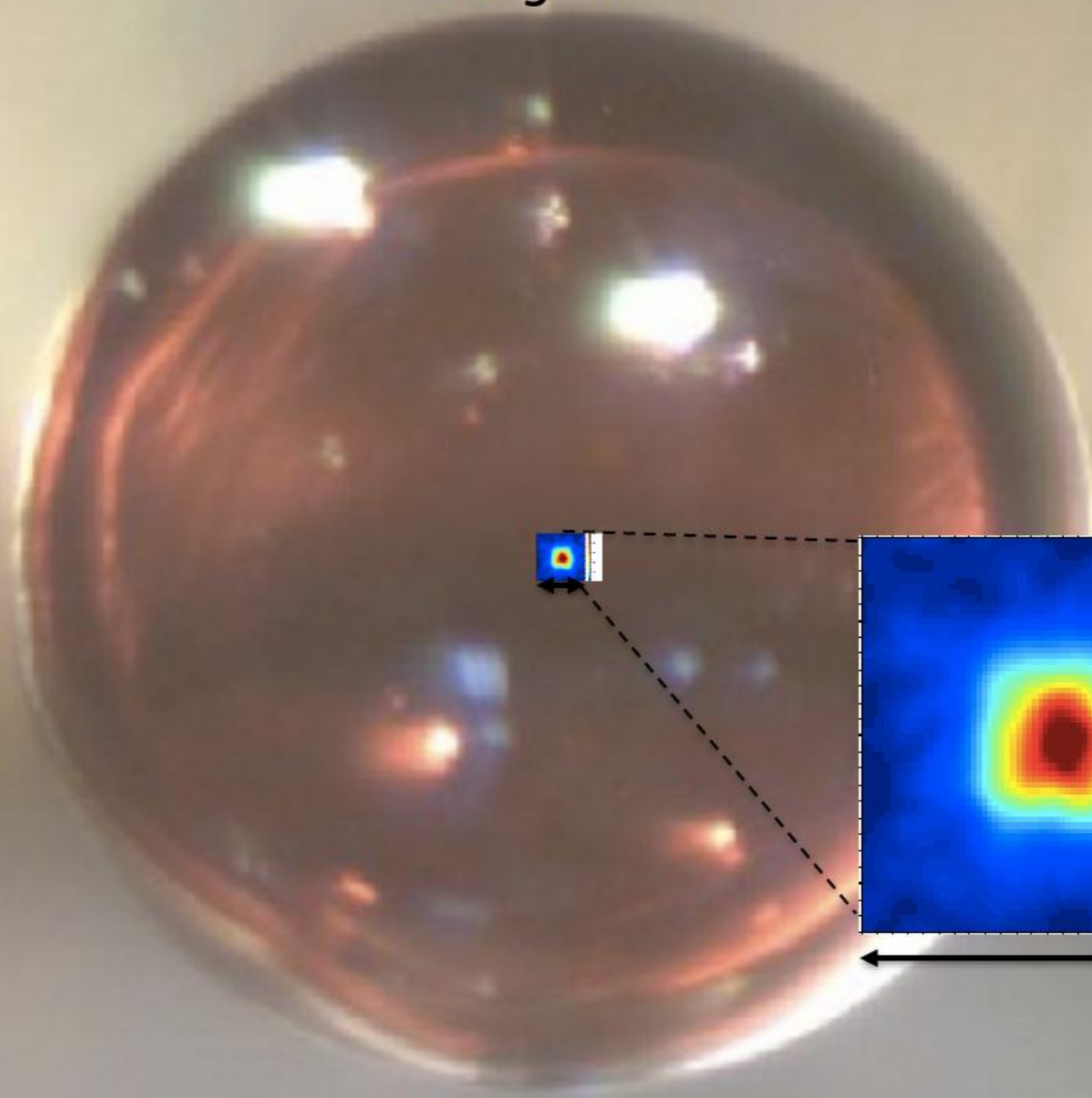


THD shot N121005



The hot spot looks quite round!

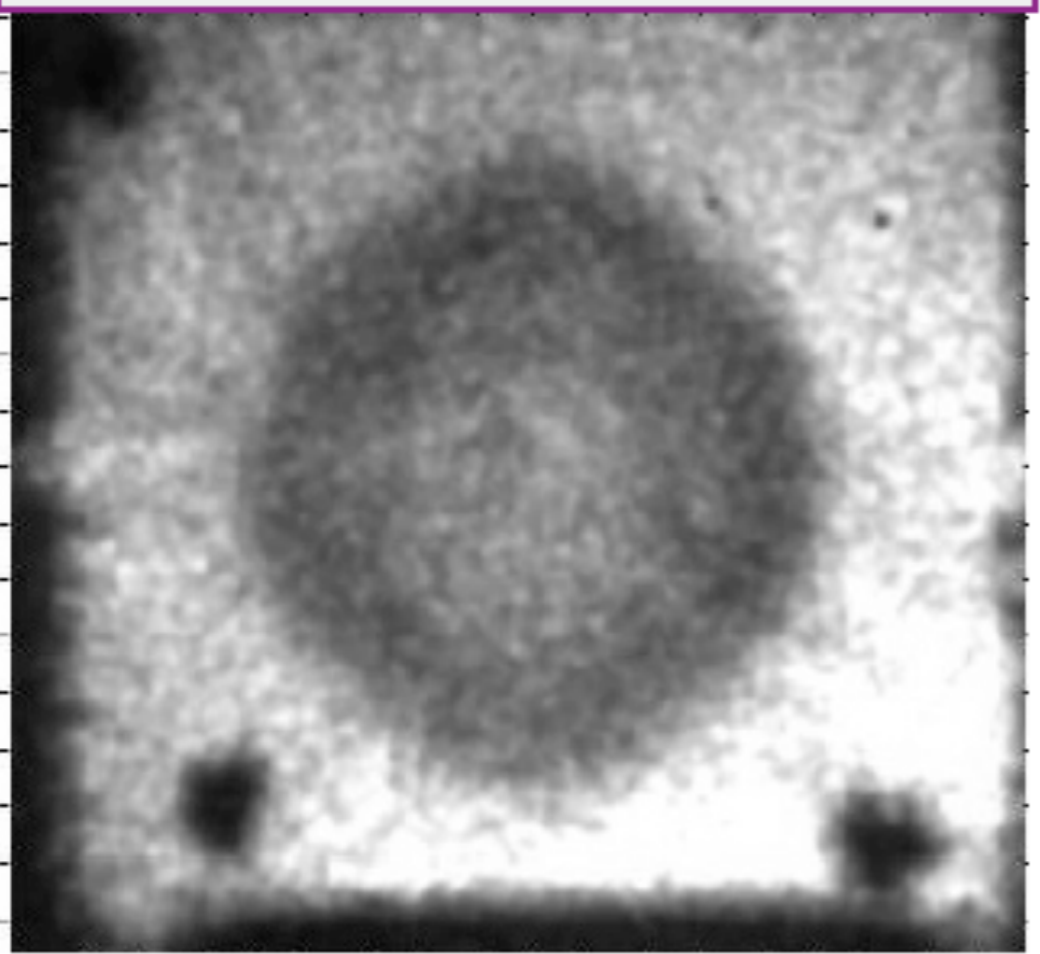
DT shot N120716
Bang time



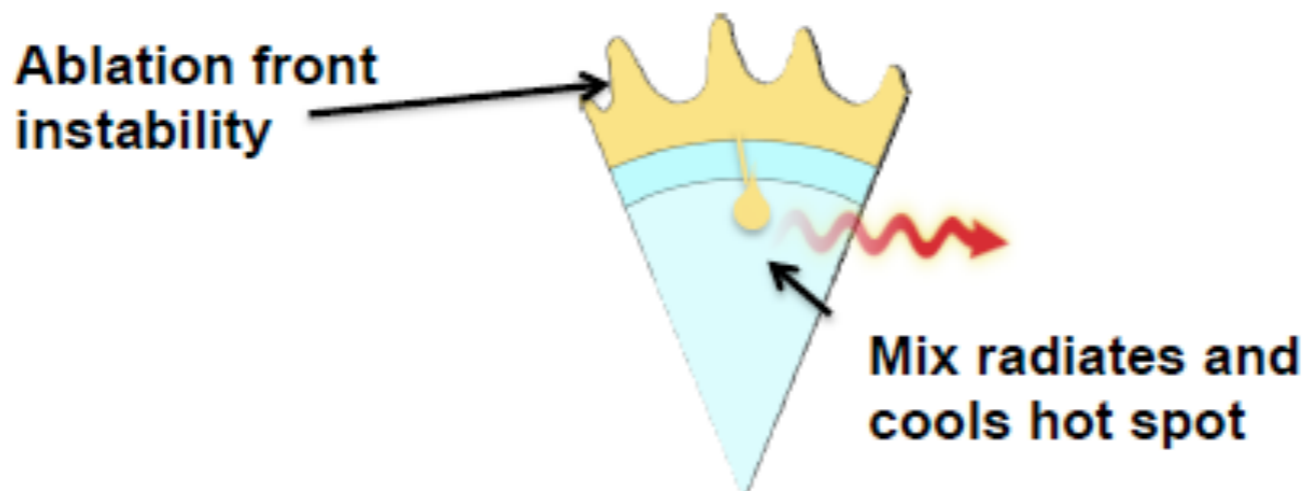
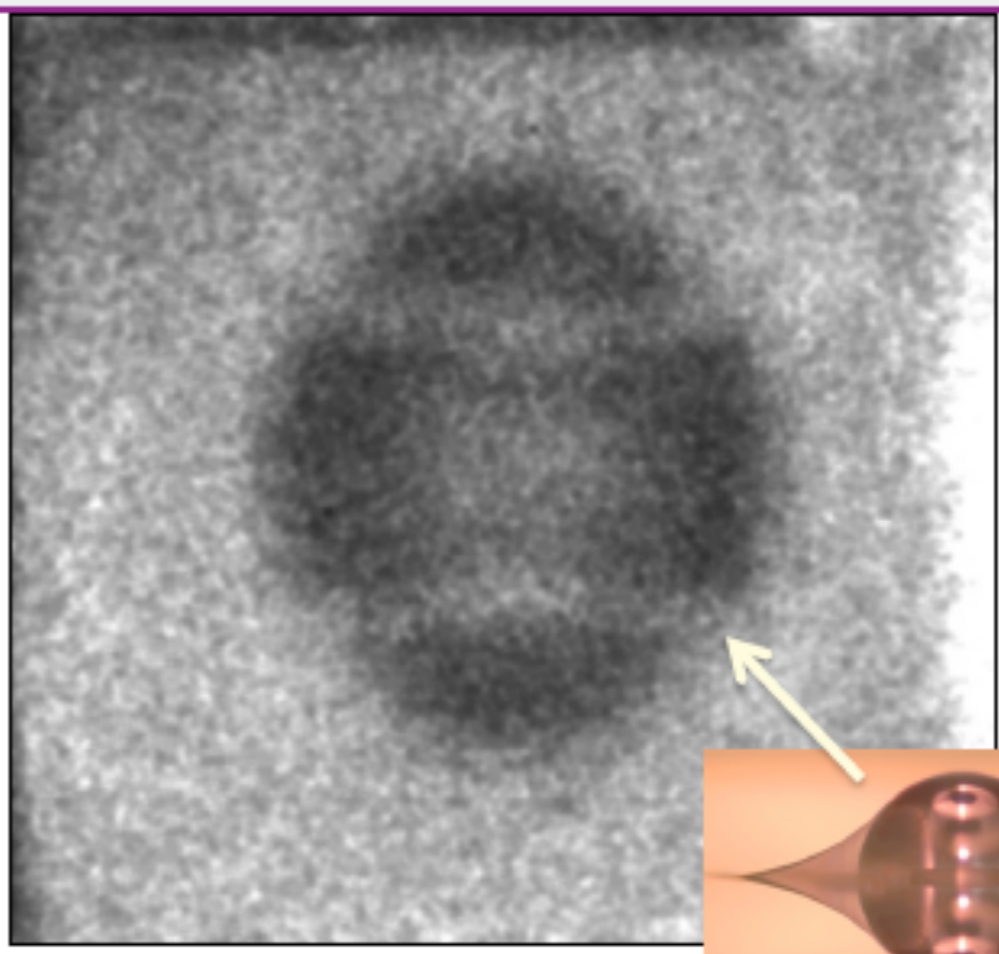
~ 2 mm diameter

The capsule tent perturbs the implosion

Stalk-Mounted (~ 30 μm) Capsule

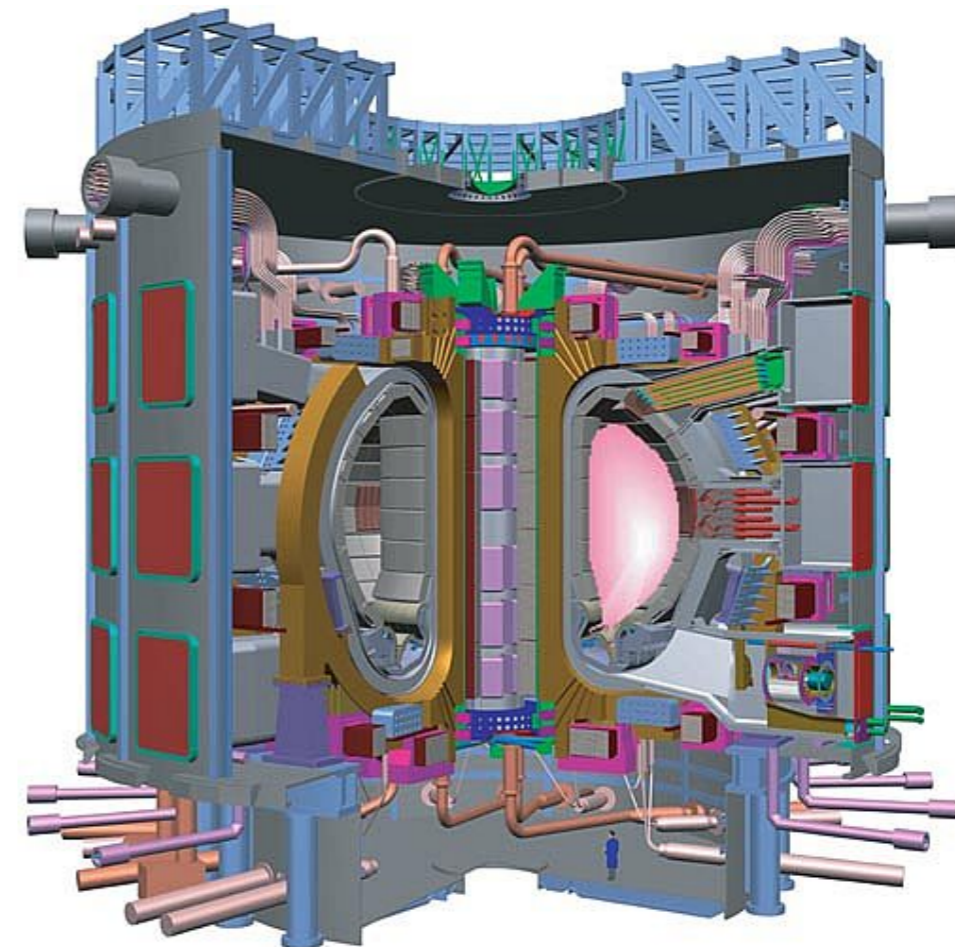
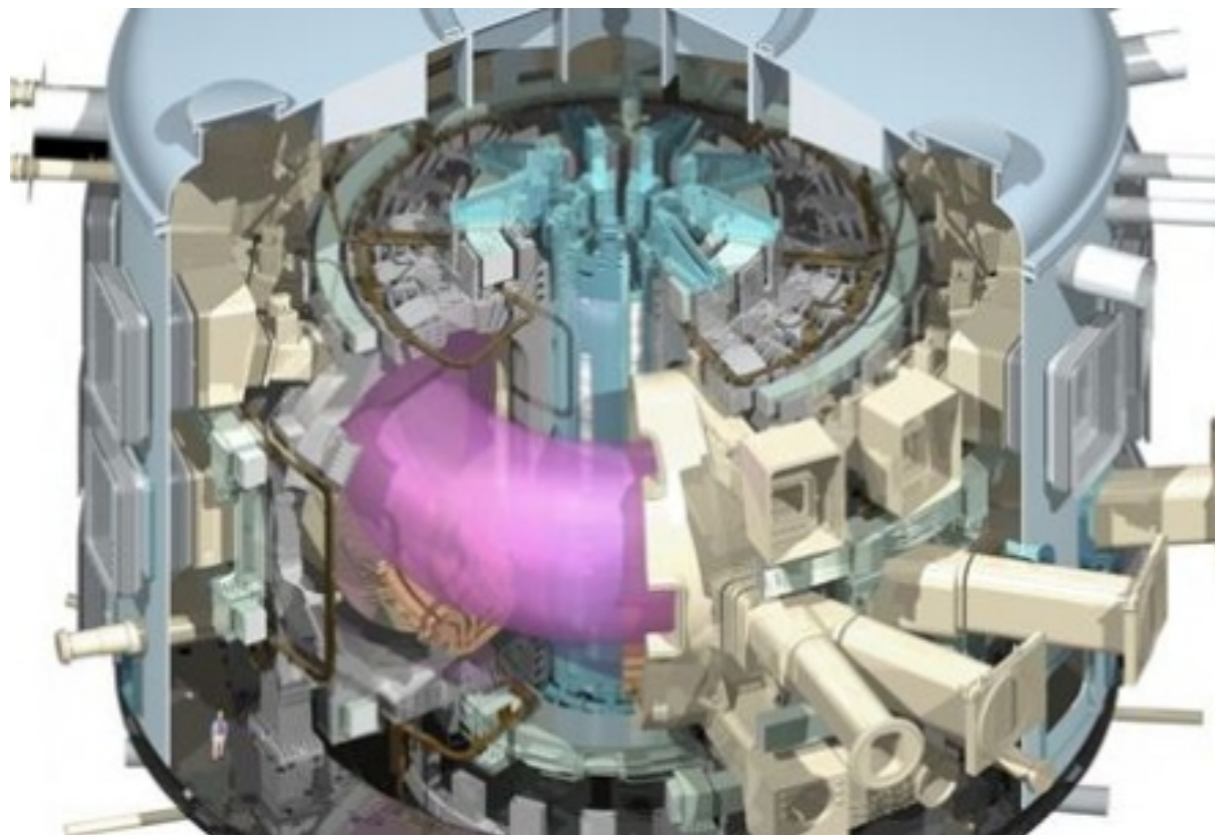


Tent-Mounted (~ 100 nm) Capsule

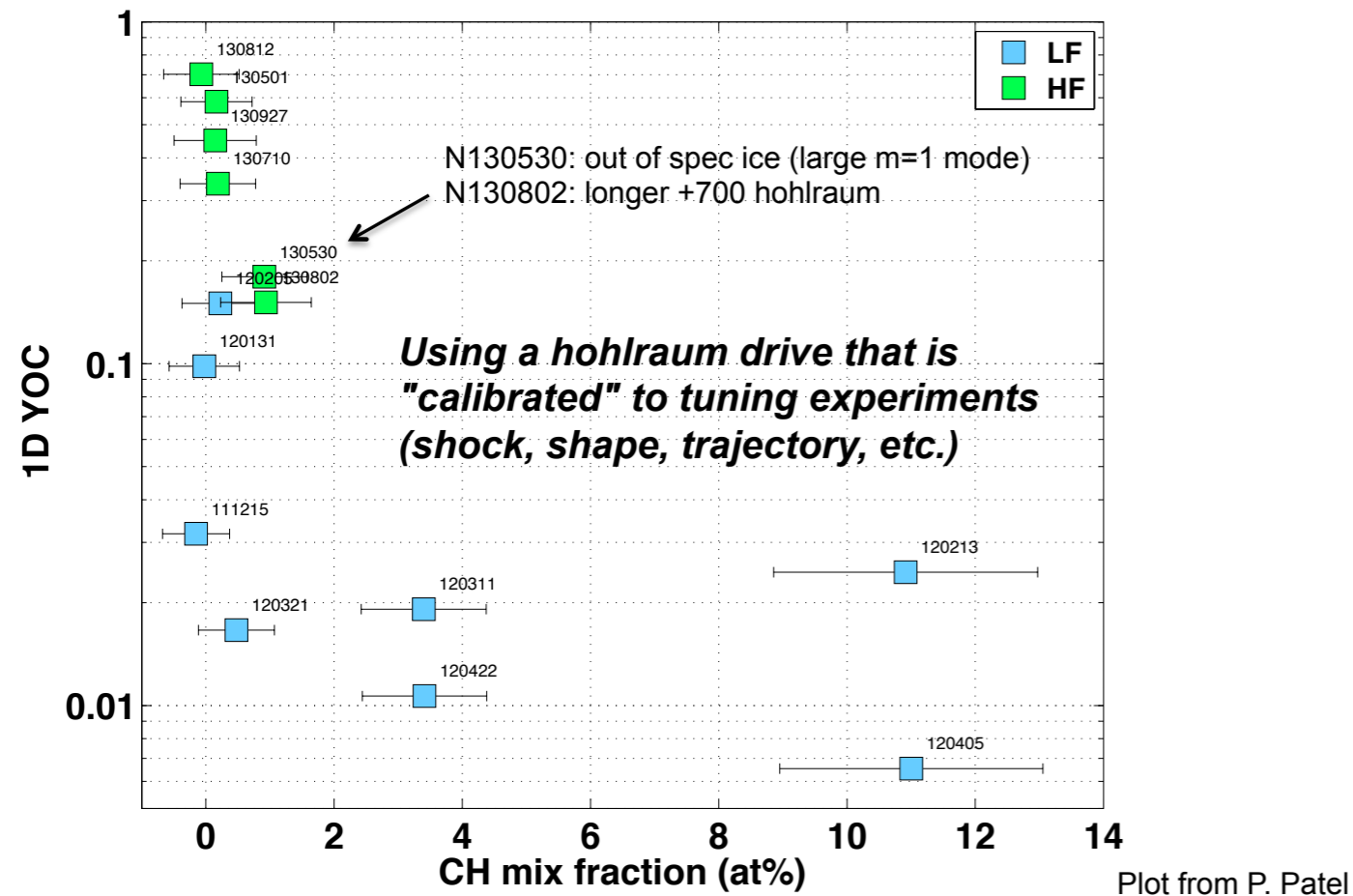


Die meisten Experimente zeigen noch Asymmetrie des hot spot reduzierte Effizienz des inneren Strahlen + P4

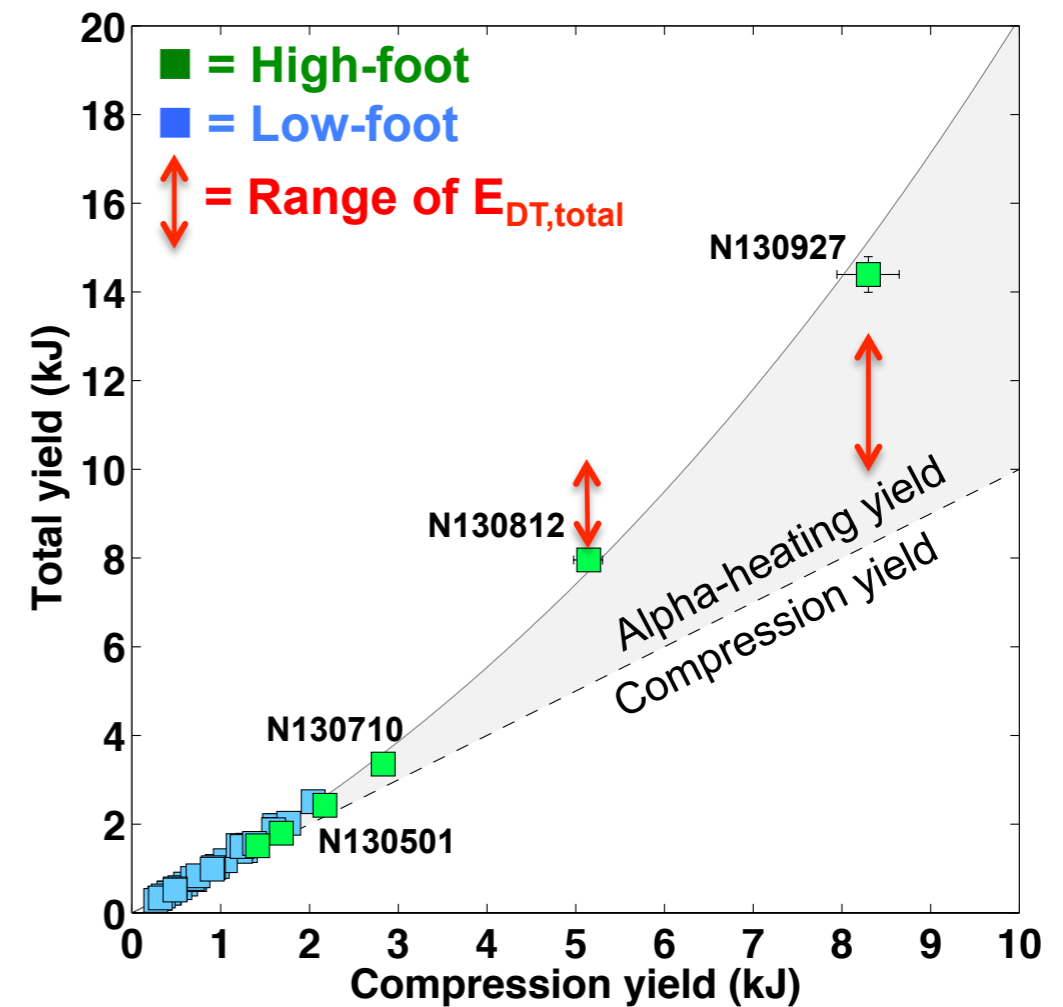
... is Mother Nature trying to tell us the right answer
with these toroidal hot-spots?



Erstmals gute Übereinstimmung mit den Rechnungen (YOC)



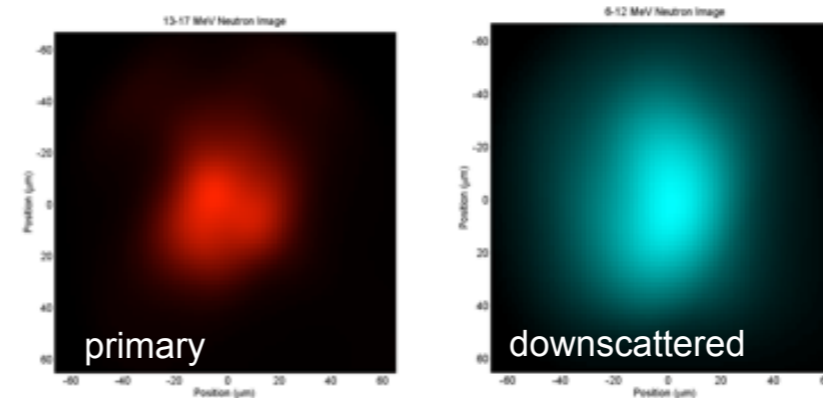
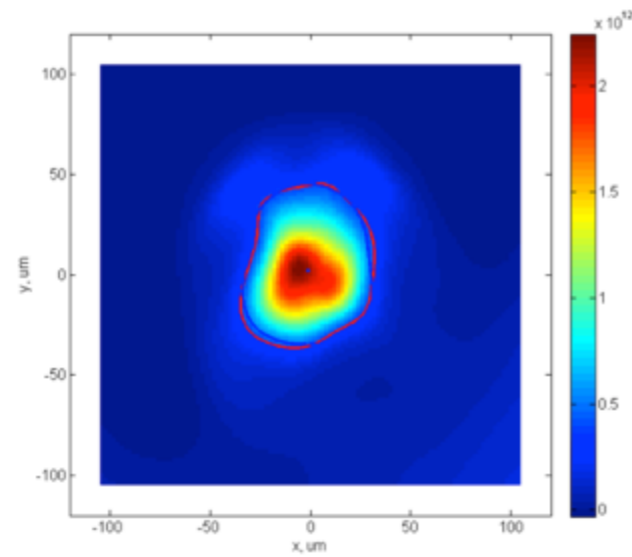
Beginn der alpha-Teilchen Heizung wird sichtbar



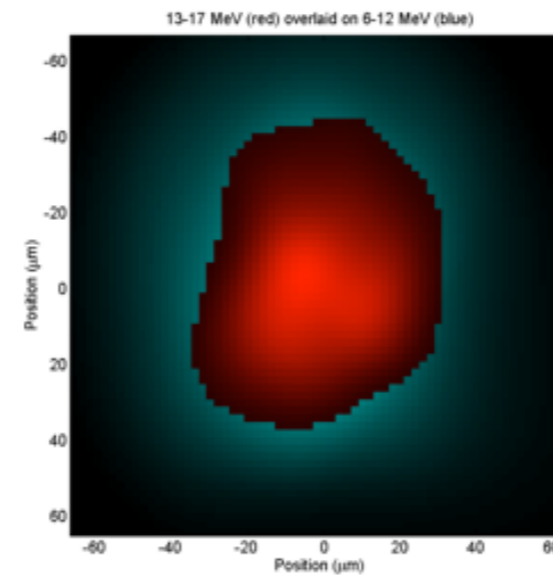
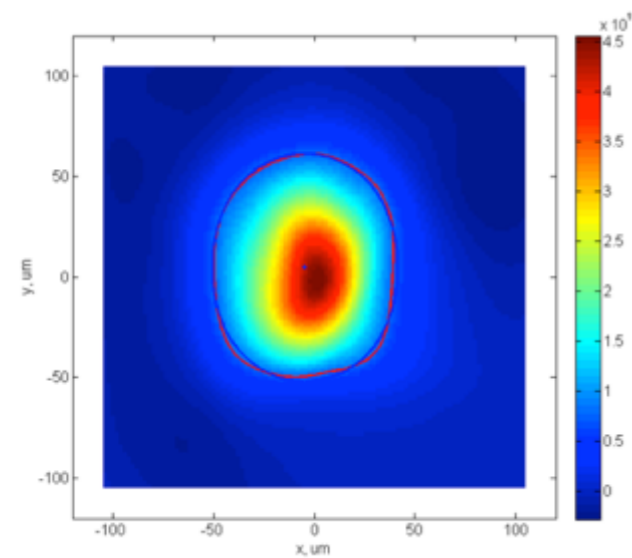
$$E_{\text{ablator absorbed}} = 150 \text{ kJ}$$

NIS zeigt Hotspot Form und Lage

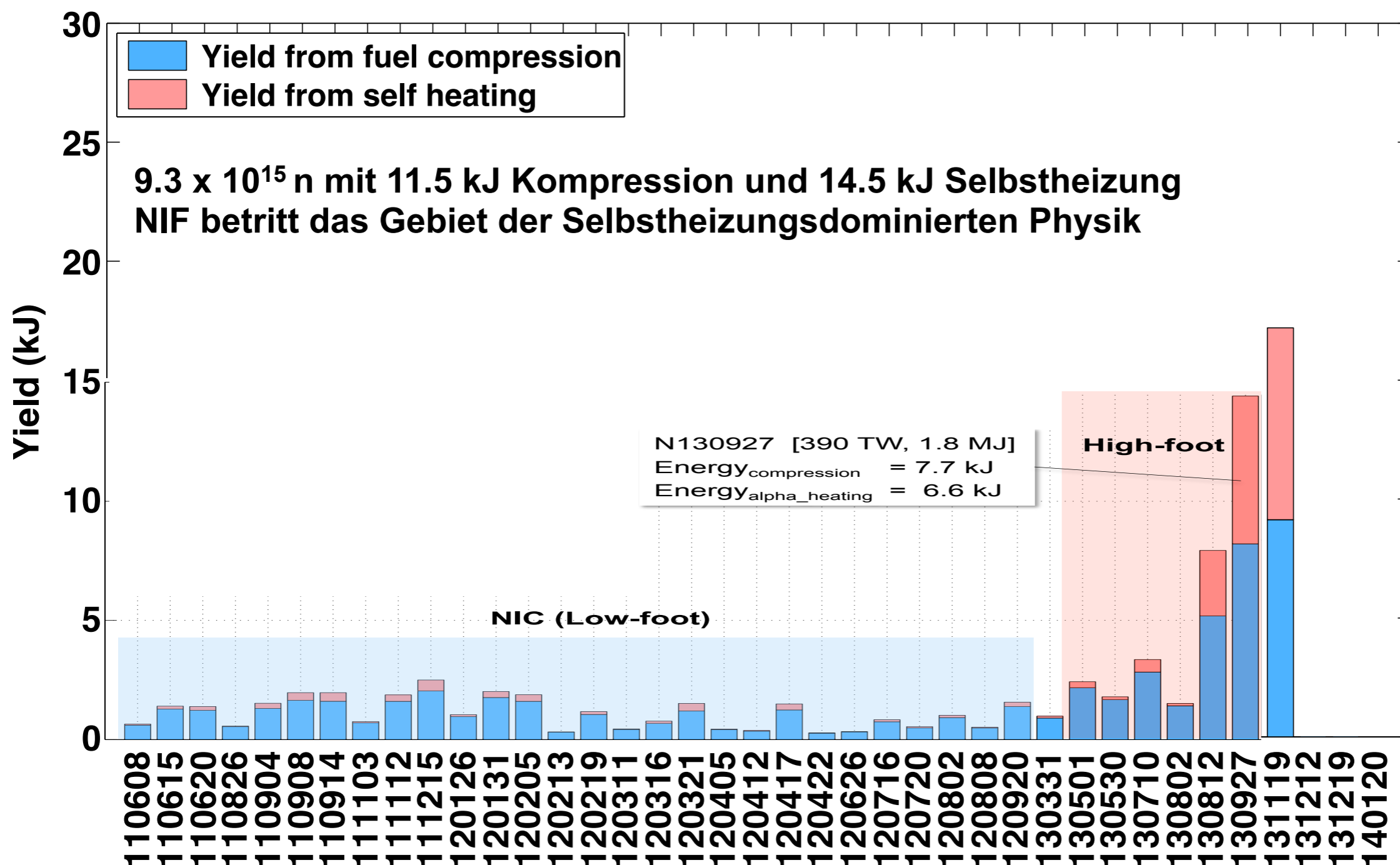
13-17 MeV



6-12 MeV



Resultat seit der NATURE Veröffentlichung



Weitergehende Ansätze

- Verbessertes Hohlraum Design (Rugby Hohlraum)
- Optimierter Energietransfer äussere zu innere Strahlen -> Form der Implosion
- Optimierte Adiabate (zwischen 2.6 und 1.5)
- Diamant- Ablator, dünnerer Ablator
- Optimierte, isobarische Zündung (e.g. mit 2ω)
- Double shell (non-cryo solution?)
- Elektronen Fast Ignition (mit oder ohne Cone)
- Protonen Fast Ignition (2016?)

WARUM?

- kleinere Infrastruktur; höherer Gain;
- Verbesserte Toleranz gegen Laser/Target Nichtidealitäten
- Breitere Basis für Grundlagenforschung
- Möglichkeit Tritium zu vermeiden (oder zu reduzieren)

Für jeden Fall zu untersuchen:

- Pros/cons
- Facility (laser, targetry, delivery, reactor, waste)
- Level of confidence
- Compatibility between options (since confidence < 1)
- Required R&D plan

Als Fast Ignitor wird untersucht: Elektronen, Protonen und Ionen, mit Konus und Schock-Ignition

Channeling concept

