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Proton Irradiation Facility Summary 2014

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- 1. Operation flow in 2014 during GANTRY3 project
- 2. Full re-construction of PIF and restoring of exposure tests
- 3. Adapting piM1 area for electron and proton tests
- 4. New dosimetry for monochromator and low intensity proton beams
- 5. Statistical data for PIF operation



PIF

- Induced by building of GANTRY3 new cancer treatment area behind PIF
- PIF fully re-constructed within 41/2 months: Jul to Nov 2014
- Exposures during above period partly moved to piM1 area
- PiM1 covers all tests with proton beams up to 70 MeV



CAD model of the new PIF area layout



PIF Area reconstruction II.



- Total de-commissioning of old PIF
- Back-wall and beamdump removal
- New construction of:
 - Test station
 - XY-table
 - Dosimetry system
 - Laser pointing
 - Beamdump
- First beams in November 2014
- Optimization of beam-tunes
- PIF functionality fully restored
- Open for users since Dec 2015



PIF after reconstruction: beamdump, XY-table, dosimetry



PIF

- Old doublet quadrupole replaced by triplet
- Better focusing and defocusing
- Both narrow and flat beams possible



New quadrupole triple magnet in front of PIF





- Dedicated small dipole magnet
- Beam bending direction PIF
- Allows for slow horizontal swaps
- Coverage of energies up 230 MeV



Small bending magnet in PIF area



- Adapting of secondary beam area of PSI ring for exposure tests
- Positive and negative particles possible
- Clean electrons beams from about 15 MeV up to 100 MeV
- Protons available up to 70 MeV
- Pions and muons from 100 MeV/c to 350 MeV/c



Beam contamination level as function of momentum



piM1 Test area: beam exit and PIP-JUICE setup

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- All tests done in air at 2nd focal point
- Longest distance from production target
- Pure electron beams up to 100 MeV/c
- Typical intensities: $2 \cdot 10^5 1 \cdot 10^7$ /s and fluxes: $2 \cdot 10^3 5 \cdot 10^5$ /cm²/s
- FWHM between 4 cm and 10 cm

Electron beam parameters in piM1 area.

- Well suited for studies of instrument shielding and calibration
- Too low fluxes for TID tests; fast power law decay for flux/intensity

Momentum MeV/c	Intensity s/mA	Flux cm2/s/mA	FWHMx cm	FWHMy cm
17.3	1.16E+05	7.21E+02	10.4	13.2
23.0	3.28E+05	2.57E+03	9.0	12.9
34.5	1.16E+06	1.56E+04	6.6	9.6
57.5	3.08E+06	7.88E+04	5.2	6.6
86.3	5.13E+06	1.69E+05	4.2	5.1
115.0	5.18E+06	2.42E+05	4.4	4.3



Electron flux vs. momentum

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- Much higher beam intensities available in first focal point
- Distance from the target shorter by a factor of about two
- Qualification tests planned for May 2015
- Determination of electron TID feasibility between 20 MeV and 100 MeV







- Simple Flux control system constructed
- Si-detector with dedicated DAQ (analogue and digital)
- Repeatable calibration of monochromator performance
- Two units: PSI and ESTEC
- Further improvements: intensity increase by 90° bending (instead of 180°)



Si-detector and DAQ system (left); Monochromator chamber (right)

Intensity curve for ⁹⁰Sr electron source; Si-detector placed 2 cm from beam exit



Operation Calendar









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2. Operational break of main PIF from Jul to Nov

Summary

- 3. Parallel use of piM1 area for proton tests up to 70 MeV
- 4. Full operational capability restored at the end of November
- 5. Better focusing functionality due to new quadrupole triplet
- 6. Slow horizontal swaps with new bending magnets if needed
- 7. Fully characterized new electron test-side available in piM1 area
- 8. Improvements planned for high intensity usability possible
- 9. New DAQ for both electron monochromator and low flux proton tests
- 10. In total all PIF facilities gave more than 70 tests and 140 beam-days

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