

ECR Ion Source Operations

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Outline

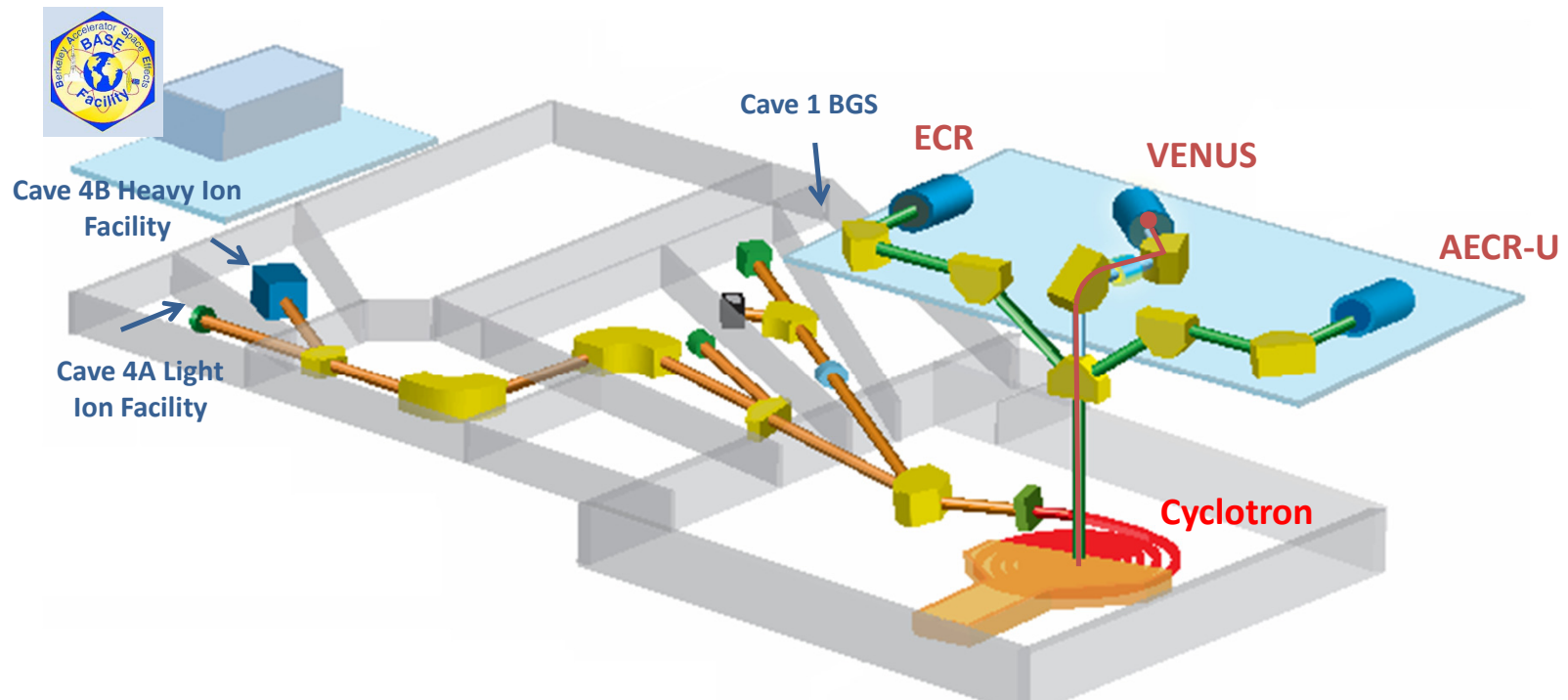
1. 88-Inch Facility Layout
2. Intro to ECRs
3. Cocktail Beams
4. Availability & Reliability
5. Resources to Support Chip Testing and SHE

AECR-U aluminum
plasma chamber



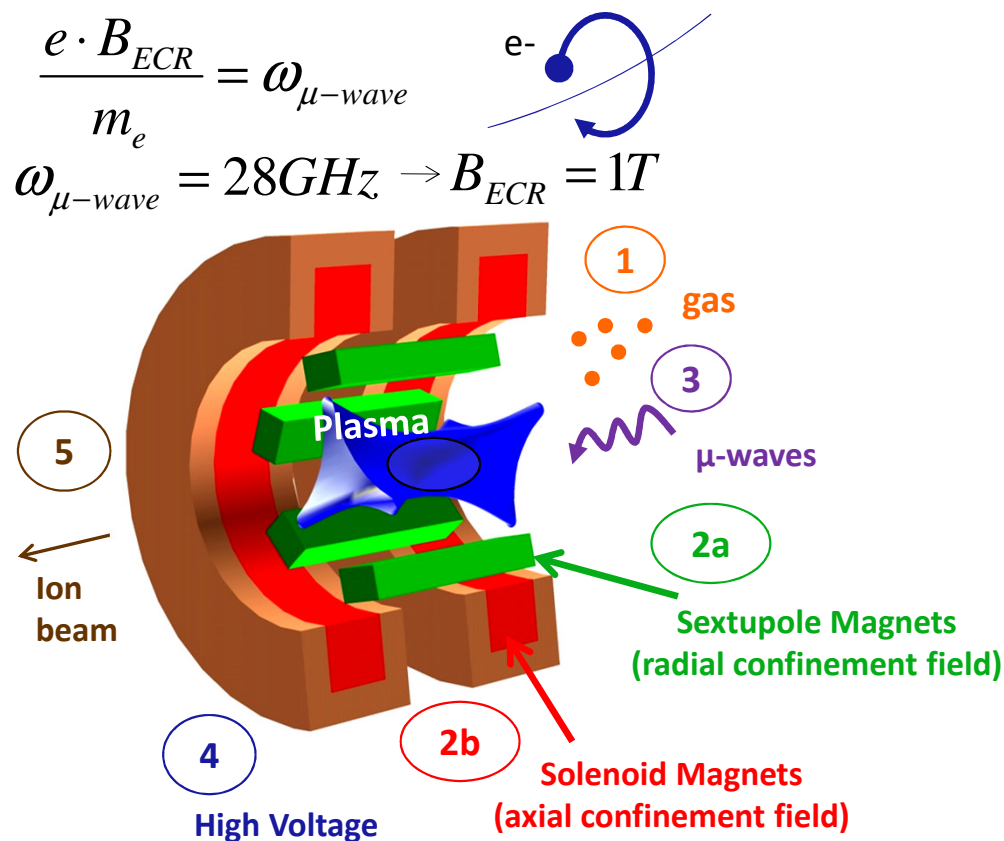
Cyclotron Facility Layout

The 88-Inch Cyclotron is fed by three ECR ion sources: ECR, AECR-U, and VENUS.



ECR Ion Source Physics

ECR: Electron Cyclotron Resonance



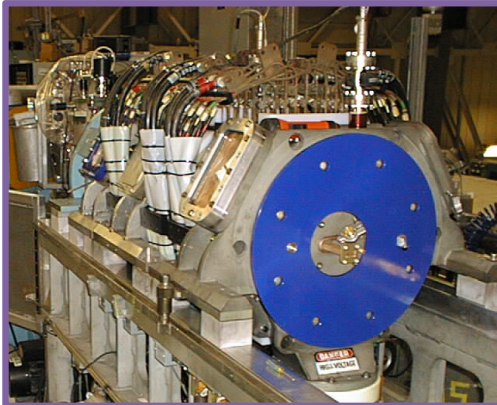
Key Ingredients

- 1 gas
- +
- 2a radial field
- +
- 2b axial field
- +
- 3 μ -waves
- =
- +
- 4 High Voltage
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- 5 Ion beam

ECR's at the 88-Inch

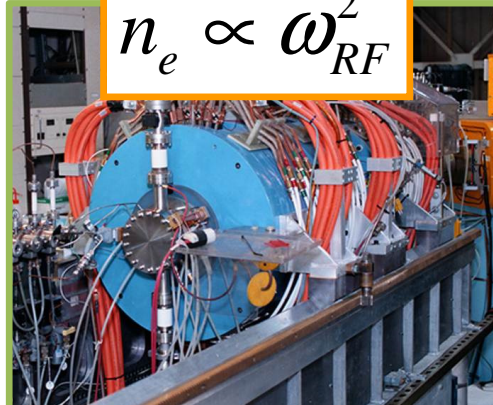
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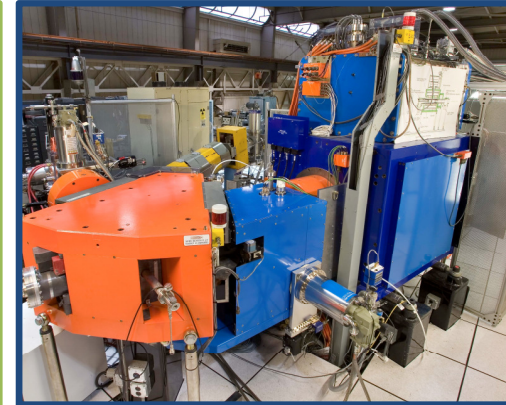
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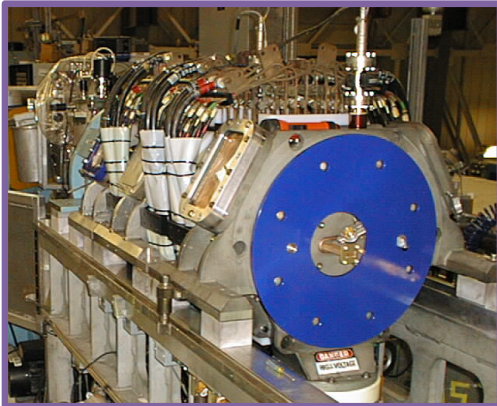
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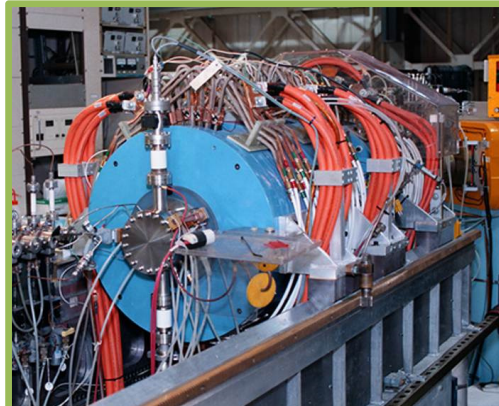
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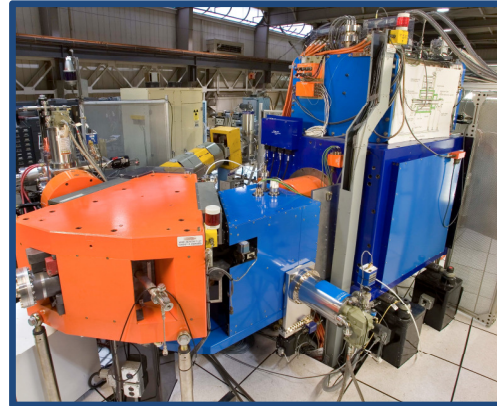
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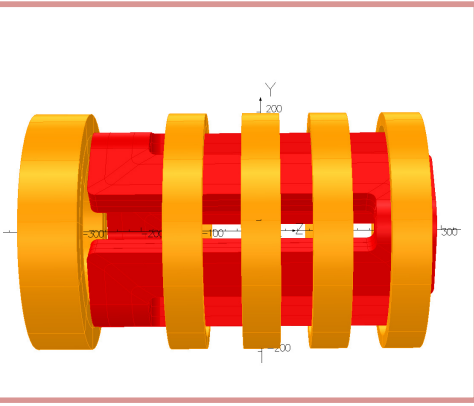
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(Dan's Talk)

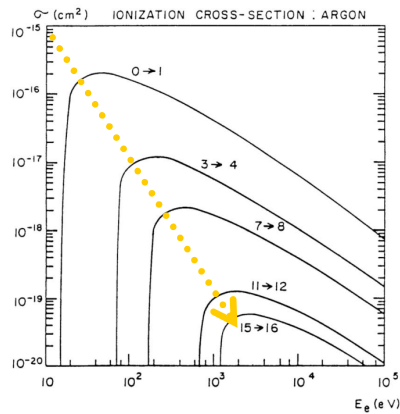


What Makes a Good ECR Source?

Cocktails and Chip Testing

Require hot electrons to reach high charge states

σ for producing high charge state is orders of magnitude lower



VENUS produces ¹²⁴Xe⁴³⁺ for users!

For Z=54, to reach a Xe⁺⁴³ charge state requires $\sim 5 \times 10^3$ eV electrons!

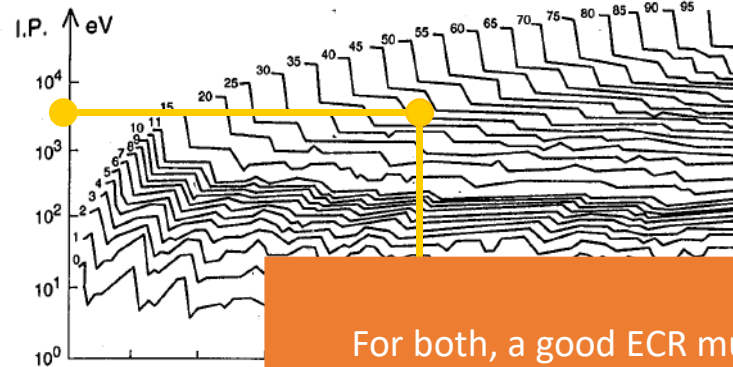


Figure: Carlson

For both, a good ECR must be followed by a good accelerator!

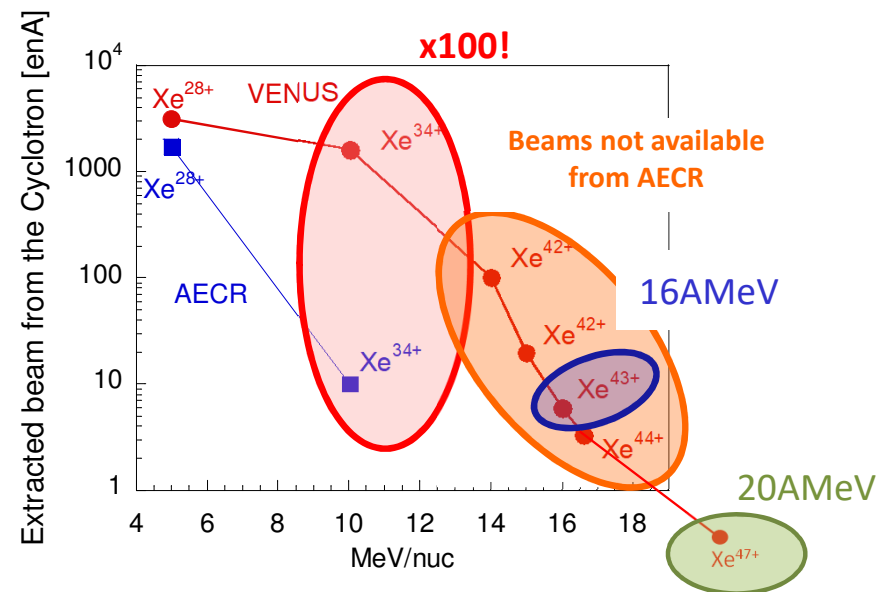
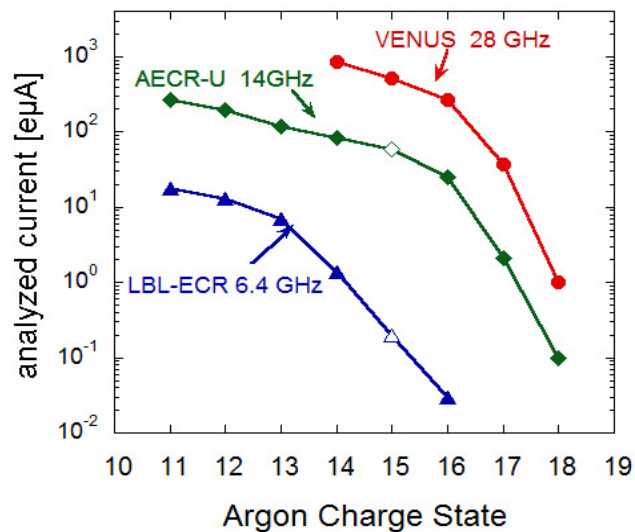
Super Heavy Elements

- ★ Stable beam production
Good source conditions
- ★ Long term beam production
Good oven technology
Low consumption of metals
- ★ High intensity beams
density \propto heating frequency²

$$n_e \propto \omega_{RF}^2$$

VENUS ECR Ion Source

- Currently one of the most powerful ECR ion sources in the world
- Exploring limits of ECR ion sources through **R&D**



Cocktail Beams Development

Development of new cocktail ions using VENUS to increase LET and range underway

$^{124}\text{Xe}^{43+}$ in 16MeV cocktail: extends LET from 25 to 50MeV/(mg/cm²) → now regularly used

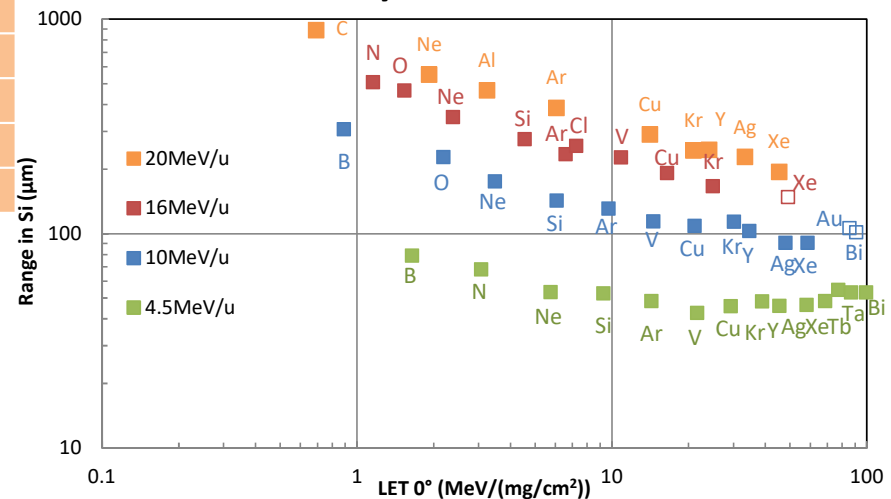
$^{197}\text{Au}^{52+}$ in 10MeV cocktail: extends LET from 59 to 86MeV/(mg/cm²) → now regularly used

$^{124}\text{Xe}^{47+}$ in 20MeV cocktail: also now regularly used!

20MeV/u	M/Q	Production Method	LET (MeV/(mg/cm ²))	RANGE (μm)
$^{20}\text{Ne}^{8+}$ ✓	2.50	GAS	1.92	548.5
$^{27}\text{Al}^{11+}$ ✓	2.45	GAS	3.25	463.9
$^{78}\text{Kr}^{32+}$ ✓	2.44	GAS	20.9	243.3
$^{89}\text{Y}^{36+}$	2.47	Sputter Probe	24.2	244.9
$^{109}\text{Ag}^{44+}$	2.48	Sputter Probe	33.3	226.8
$^{124}\text{Xe}^{47+}$ ✓	2.64	GAS	45.4	193.8

Development for higher energy beams to use for testing in air if this is requested...ex: 25MeV/u $^{78}\text{Kr}^{34+}$

88-Inch Cyclotron Cocktail Ions



Why the need for 20MeV/u cocktail?

- increasing beam energy allows for deeper penetration into parts
- Layers on chips are increasing in thickness

ECR Ion Source Reliability & Availability

Reliability

Fail time due to ECRs since 2/2/2017 is 13.5 hrs!

However, this doesn't mean all ions were always available!
AECR-U & VENUS not one-to-one replacements for each other.

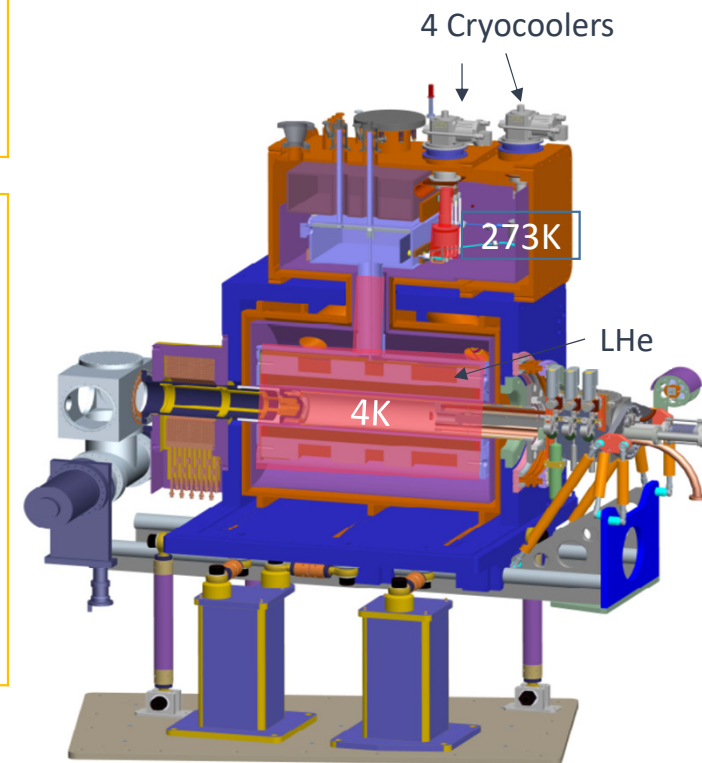
Availability

VENUS availability for beam delivery increased:

Cryostat Modification Implemented in 2017 and tested successfully in 2019. Additional heaters reduced cryocooler maintenance from **~8 weeks to 1 week!**

However, beam development time decreased!

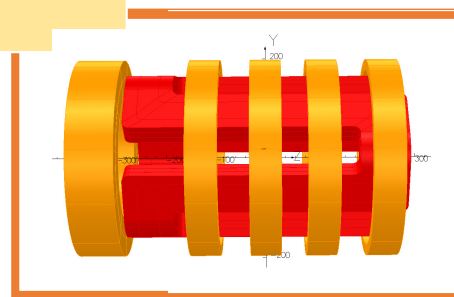
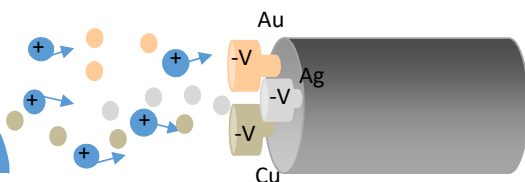
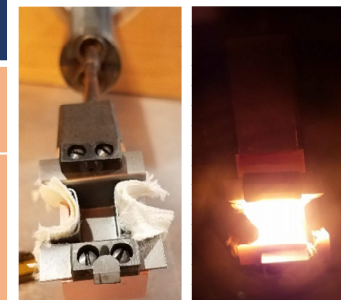
Shutdown development time is hampered by LCW outages
No cyclotron available during shutdowns



Mitigating Risks

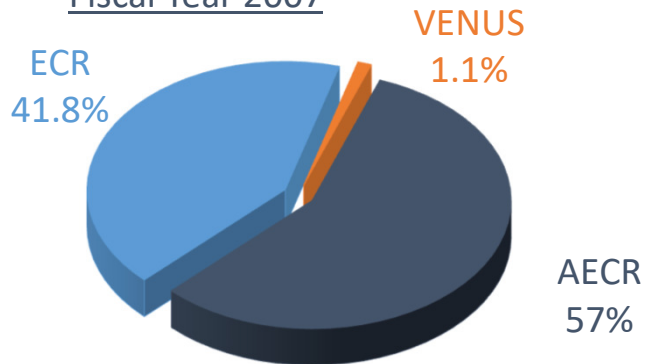


Increase reliability for cocktails		Increase reliability for SHE	
Failure & Consequence	Solution	Failure & Consequence	Solution
<u>AECR Failure:</u> No sputter probe metals (Ag, Y, Ta, Cu, Tb, Si, V)	Sputter probe with multiple metals at VENUS	<u>VENUS HiT Oven Failure:</u> unreliable, no spare shaft	Build a spare HiT Oven shaft
<u>VENUS Failure:</u> No high charge state Au, Xe, Kr	Backup to VENUS: 3 rd /4 th generation ion source	<u>VENUS Failure:</u> Low temperature oven run at AECR with liner, lower intensity and higher consumption	Backup to VENUS: 3 rd /4 th generation ion source
<u>VENUS high intensity runs:</u> Difficult to run high charge state cocktails after	Backup to VENUS: 3 rd /4 th generation ion source		

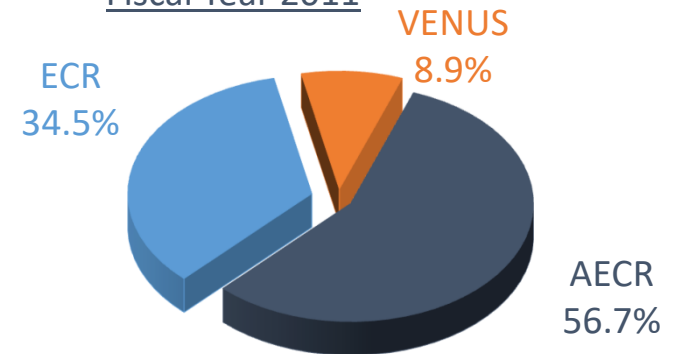


Source Use

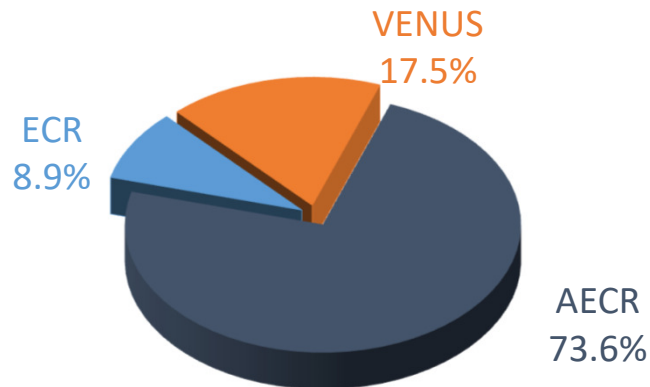
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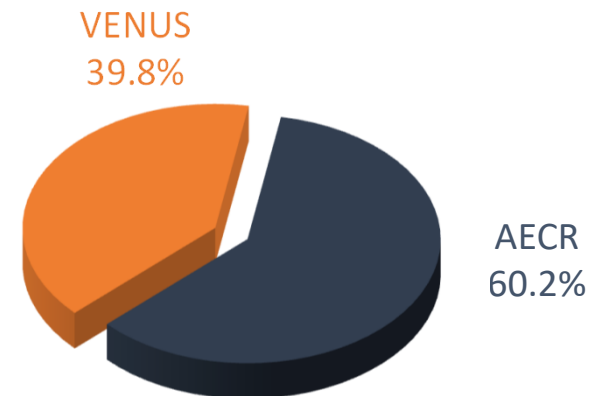
Fiscal Year 2011



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Fiscal Year 2016



Trend is increased need for VENUS beams

Conclusions

- To fulfill the needs of the chip testing and research communities, development of VENUS continues
- With the regular use of VENUS for beam production we have less time for R&D
- R&D is not only needed to develop 4th generation ECRs but also to develop beams for chip testing and intense beams