# Development at MPP of Laser-ionized Source with Extremely Uniform Plasmas

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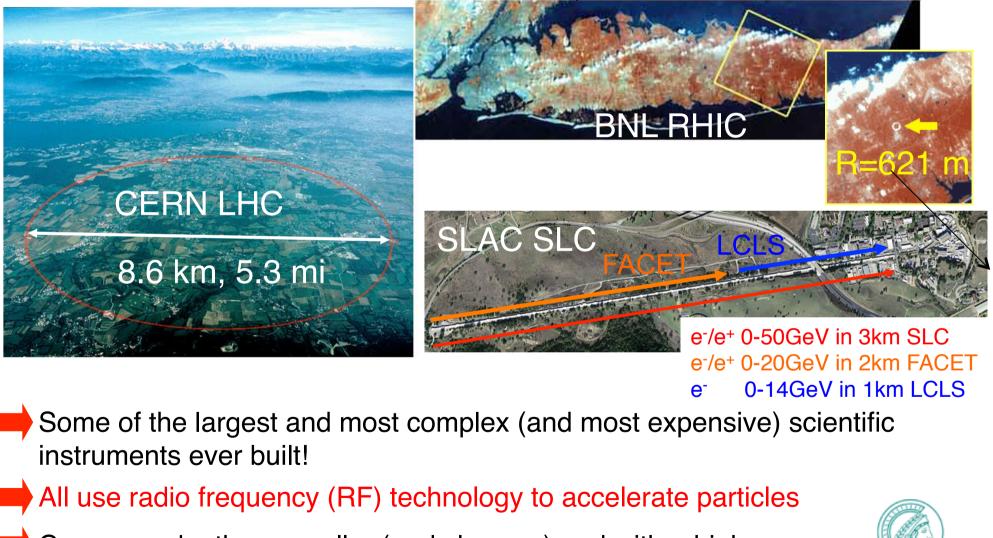
 $\Delta p \cdot \Delta q \ge \frac{1}{2} t$ 



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Light particles (e<sup>-</sup>/e<sup>+</sup>) accelerator Limited by synchrotron radiation

$$P_{synchr} = \frac{e^2}{6\pi\varepsilon_0 c^7} \frac{E^4}{R^2 m^4}$$

 $=\frac{E(eV)}{G(eV/m)}$ 

Must be linear But ... -BNE-RHIC B-621 SLAC SLC

e<sup>-</sup>/e<sup>+</sup> 0-50GeV in 3km SLC e<sup>-</sup>/e<sup>+</sup> 0-20GeV in 2km FACET e<sup>-</sup> 0-14GeV in 1km LCLS

complex (and most expensive) scientific

chnology to accelerate particles

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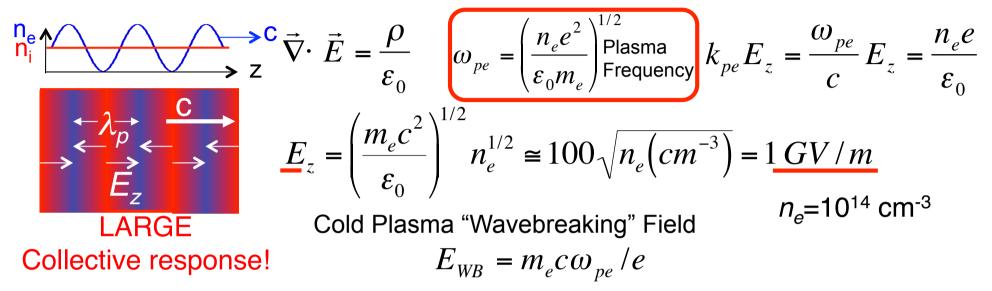
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# AWAKE

#### PLASMAS

♦ Relativistic Electron, Electrostatic Plasma Wave (E<sub>z</sub>//k, B=0):



 $\diamond$ Plasmas can sustain very large (collective) E<sub>z</sub>-field, acceleration

♦Wave, wake phase velocity = driver velocity (~c when relativistic)

♦Plasma is already (partially) ionized, difficult to "break-down", no fabrication

♦Plasmas wave or wake can be driven by:

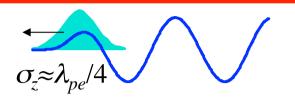
Intense laser pulseDense particle bunch

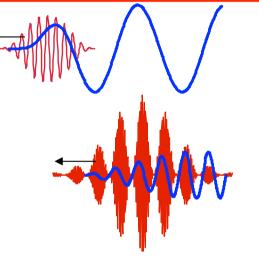




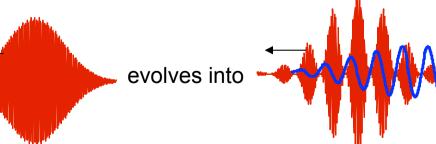


- Plasma Wakefield Accelerator (PWFA)
  A high energy particle bunch (e<sup>-</sup>, e<sup>+</sup>, ...)
  P. Chen et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 54, 693 (1985)
- Laser Wakefield Accelerator (LWFA)\*
  A short laser pulse (photons, ponderomotive)
- Plasma Beat Wave Accelerator (PBWA)\*
  Two frequencies laser pulse, i.e., a train of pulses



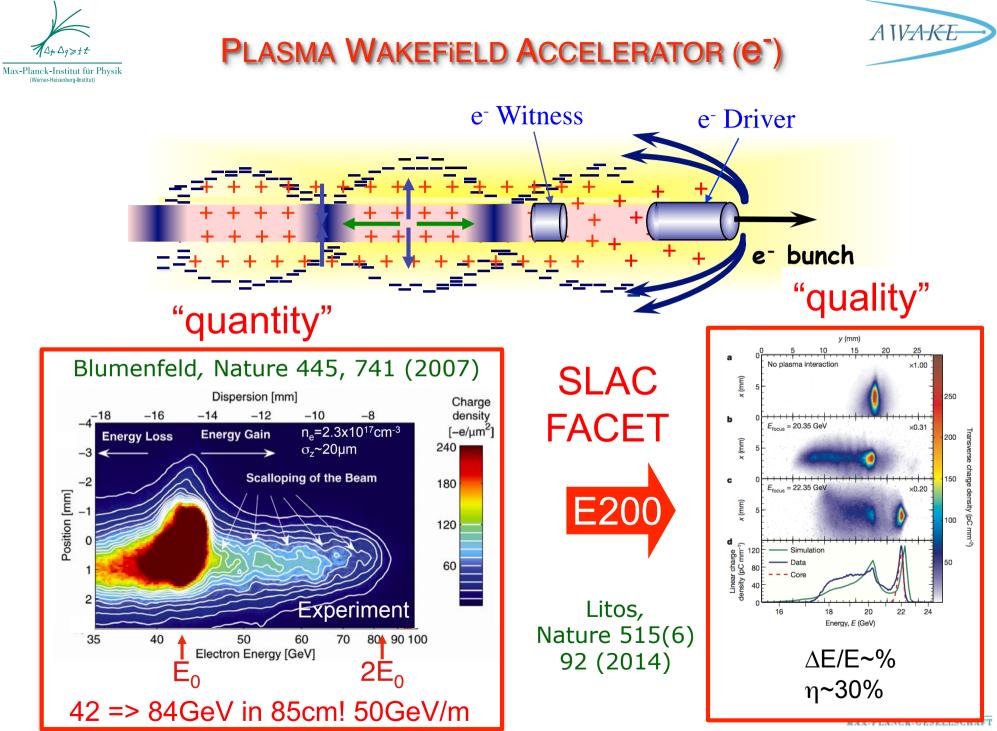


• Self-Modulated Laser Wakefield Accelerator (SMLWFA)\* Raman forward scattering instability in a long pulse (LWFA of 20<sup>th</sup> century)

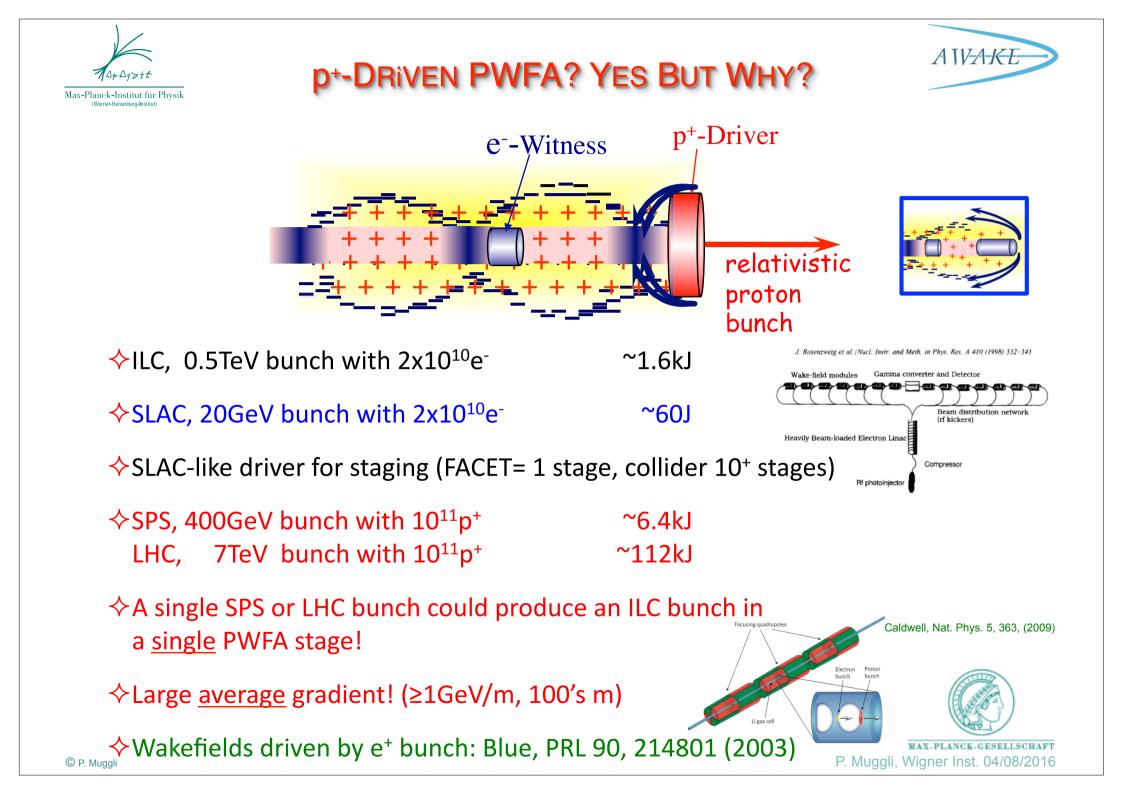


<sup>vuqali</sup> <sup>\*</sup>Pioneered by J.M. Dawson, Phys. Rev. Lett. 43, 267 (1979)

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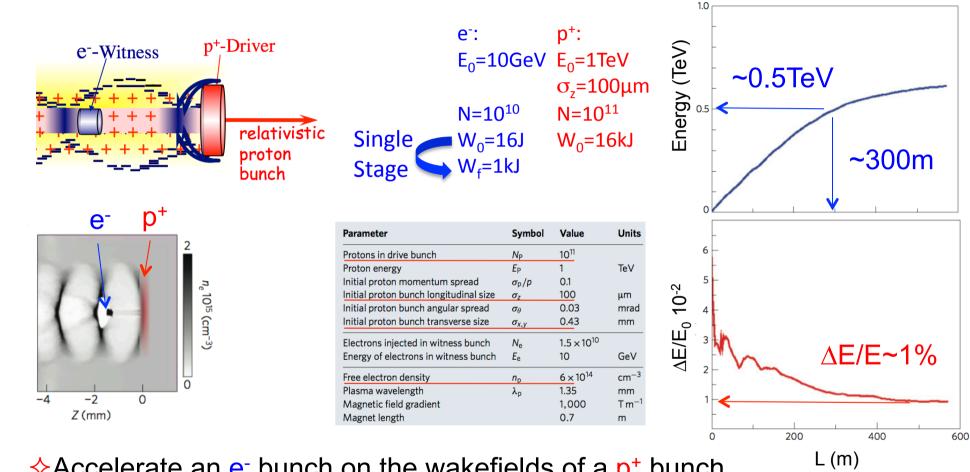






#### **PROTON-DRIVEN PWFA**

Caldwell, Nat. Phys. 5, 363, (2009)



 $\diamond$ Accelerate an e<sup>-</sup> bunch on the wakefields of a p<sup>+</sup> bunch

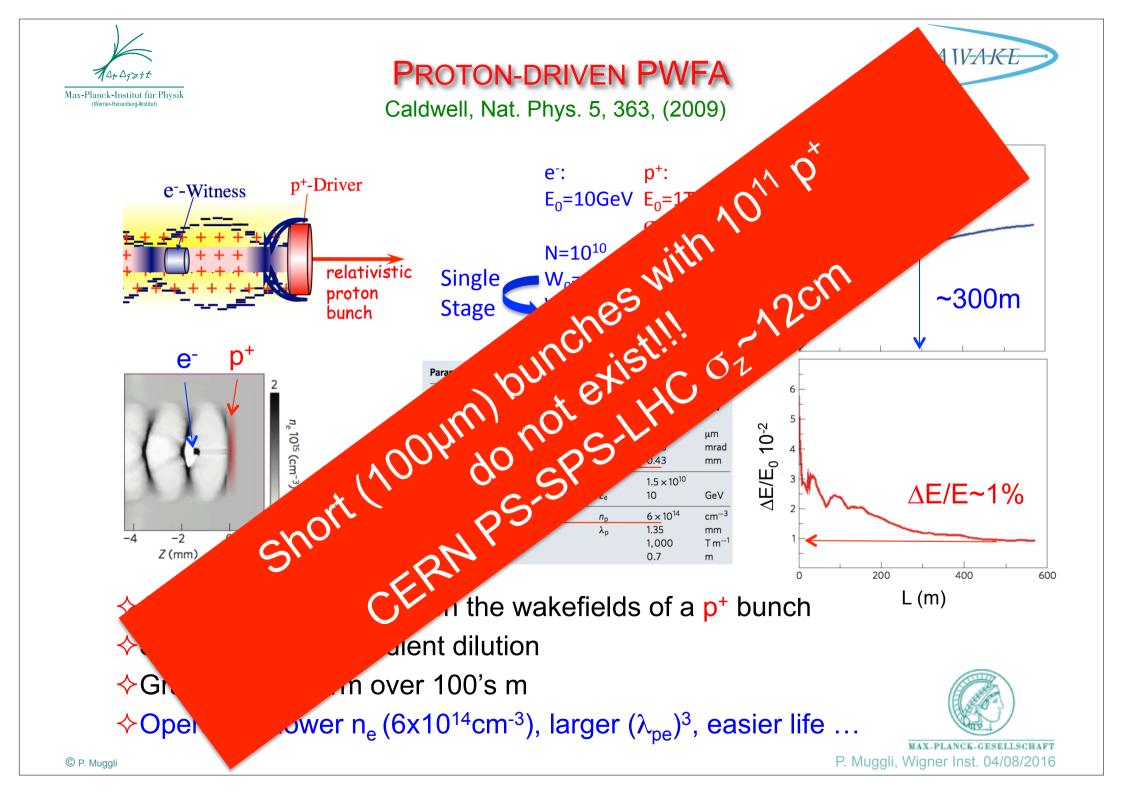
Single stage, no gradient dilution

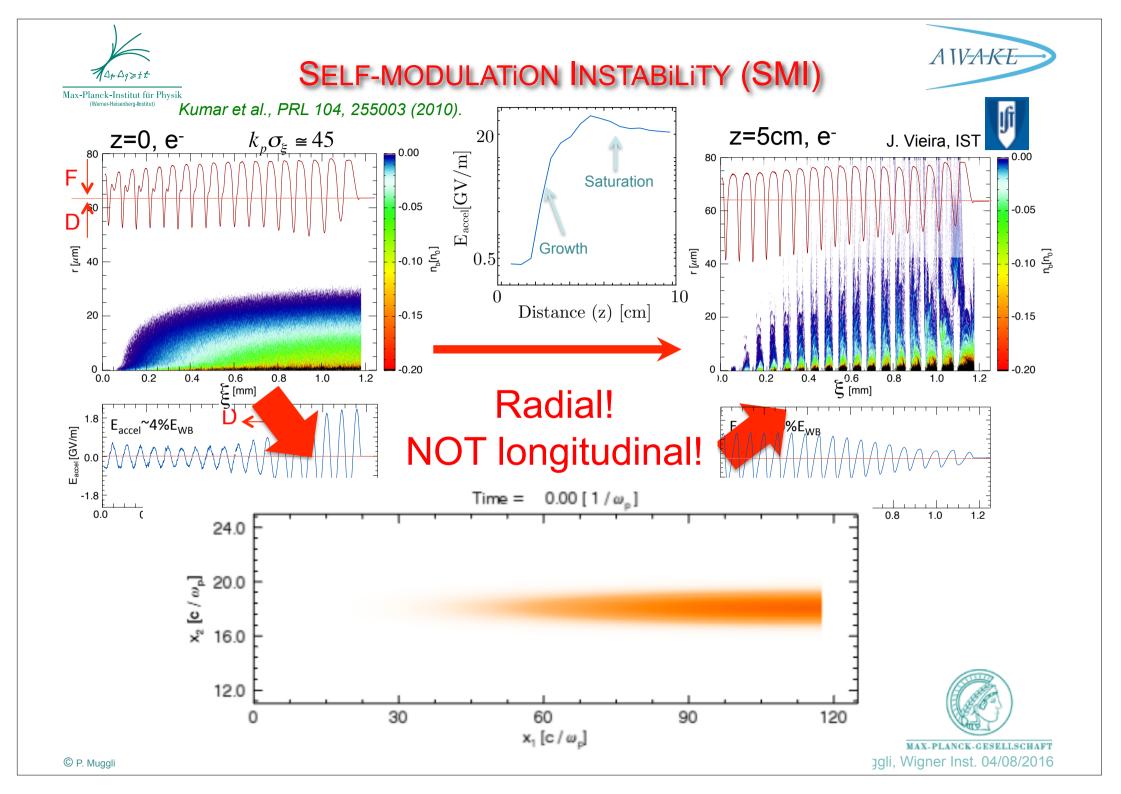
Gradient ~1 GV/m over 100's m

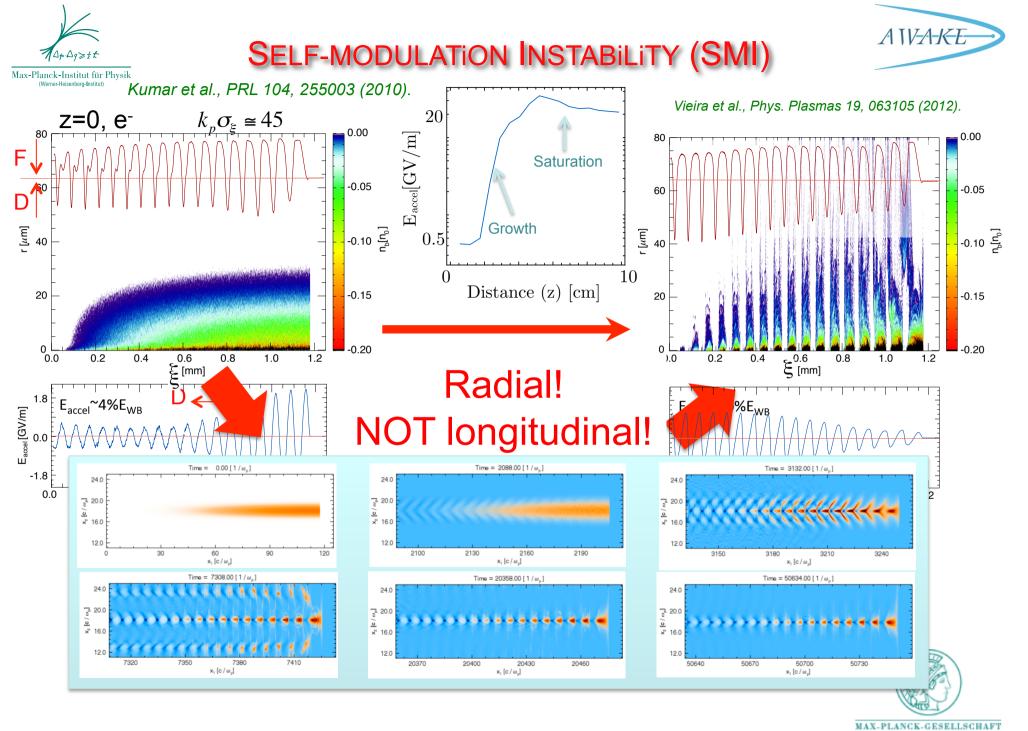
♦ Operate at lower n<sub>e</sub> (6x10<sup>14</sup>cm<sup>-3</sup>), larger ( $\lambda_{pe}$ )<sup>3</sup>, easier life ...



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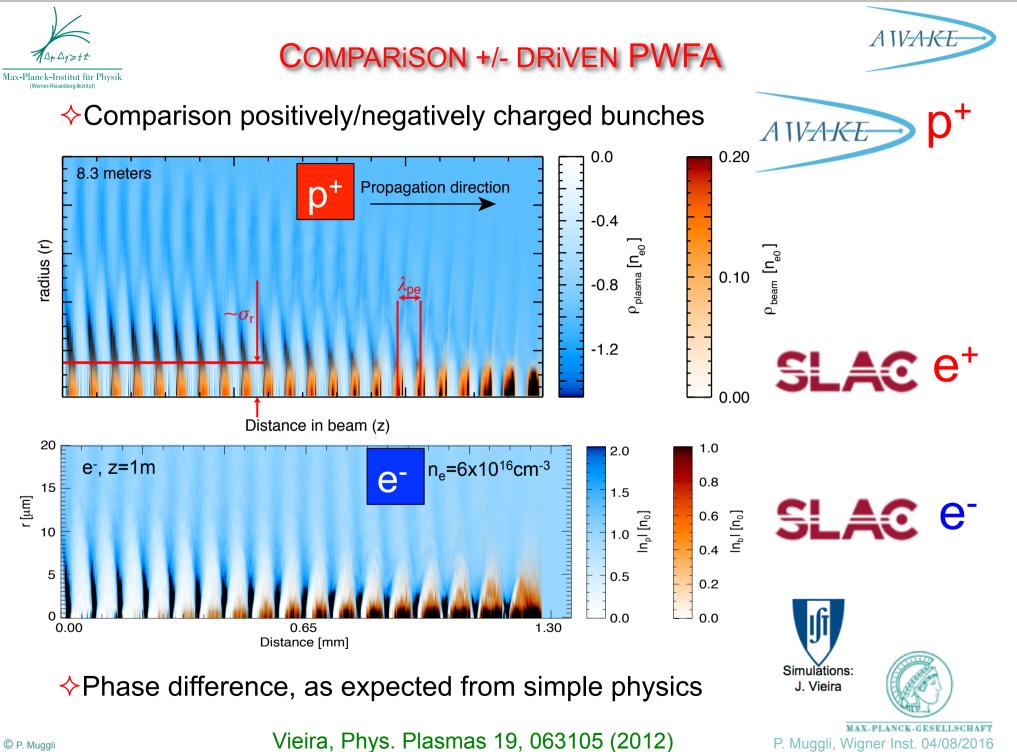






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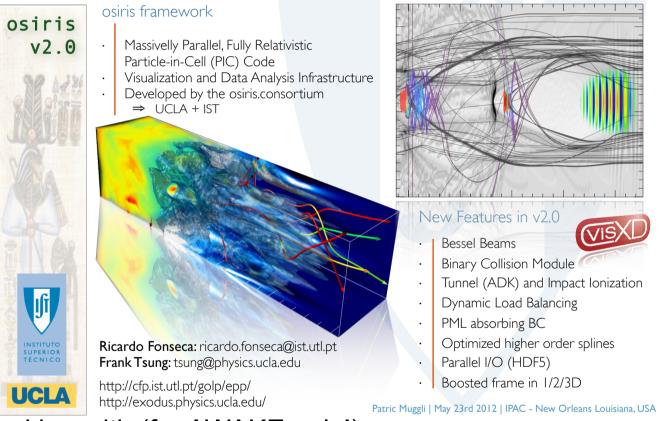


#### **SMI-PWFA SIMULATIONS**



**OSIRIS 2.0** 





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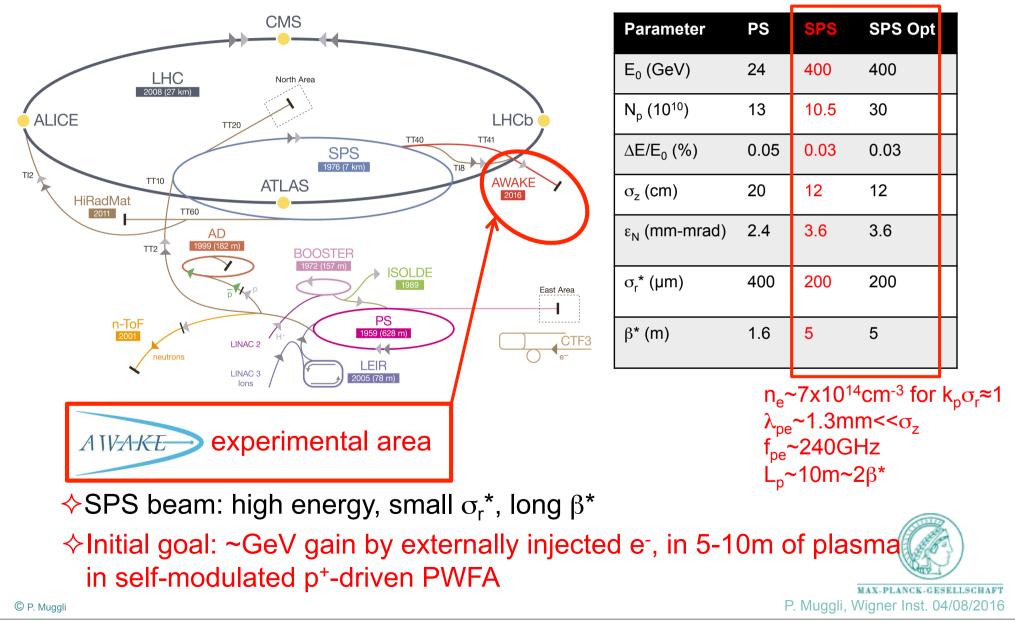
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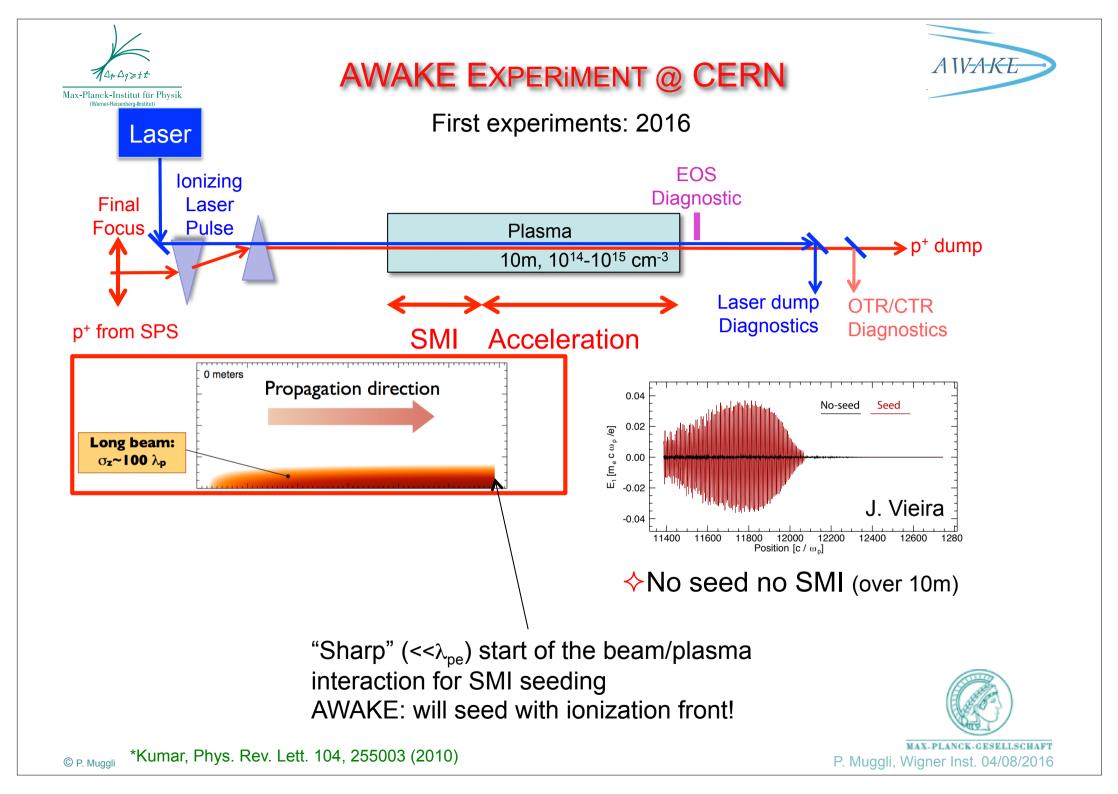


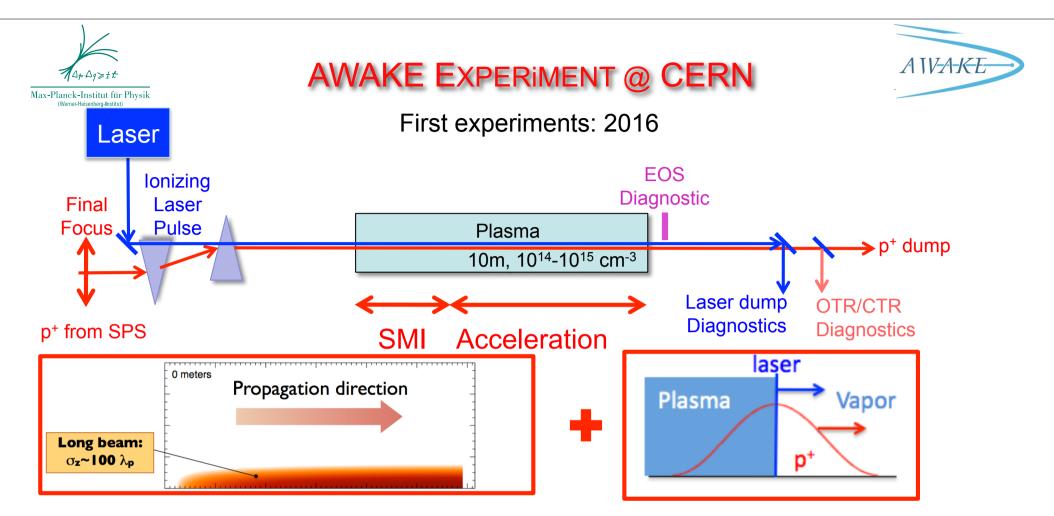
## PROTON BEAMS @ CERN



#### CERN's Accelerator Complex

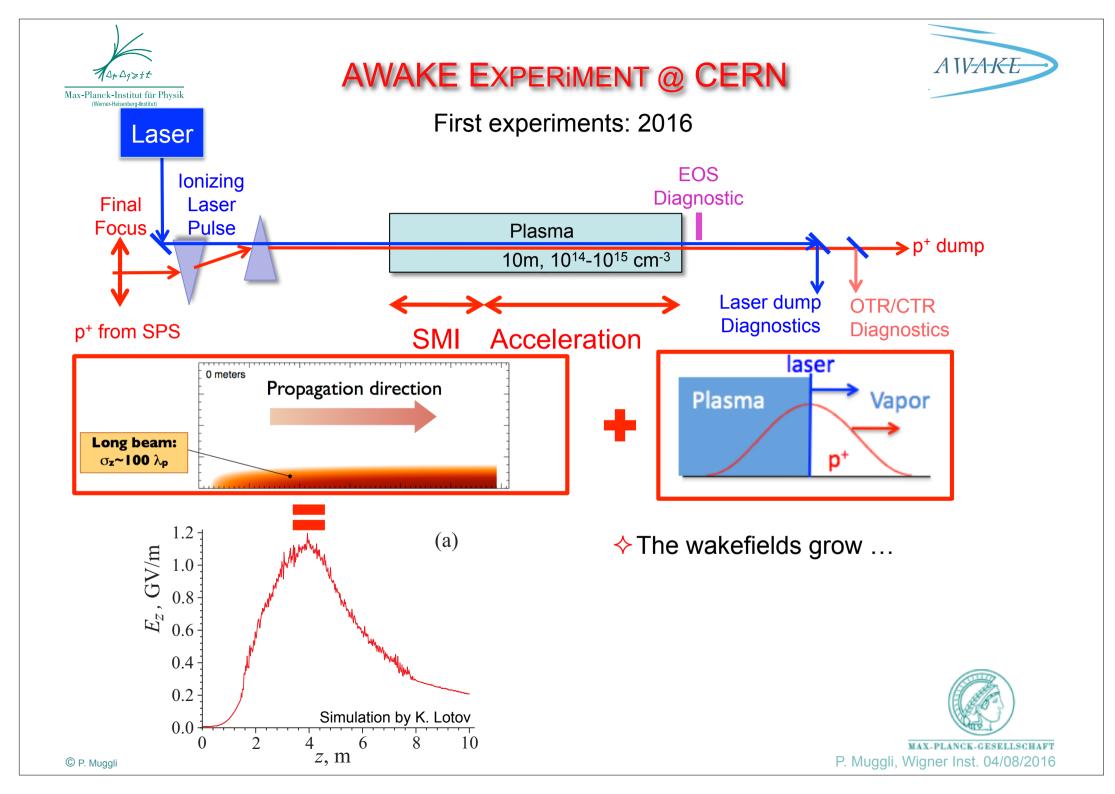


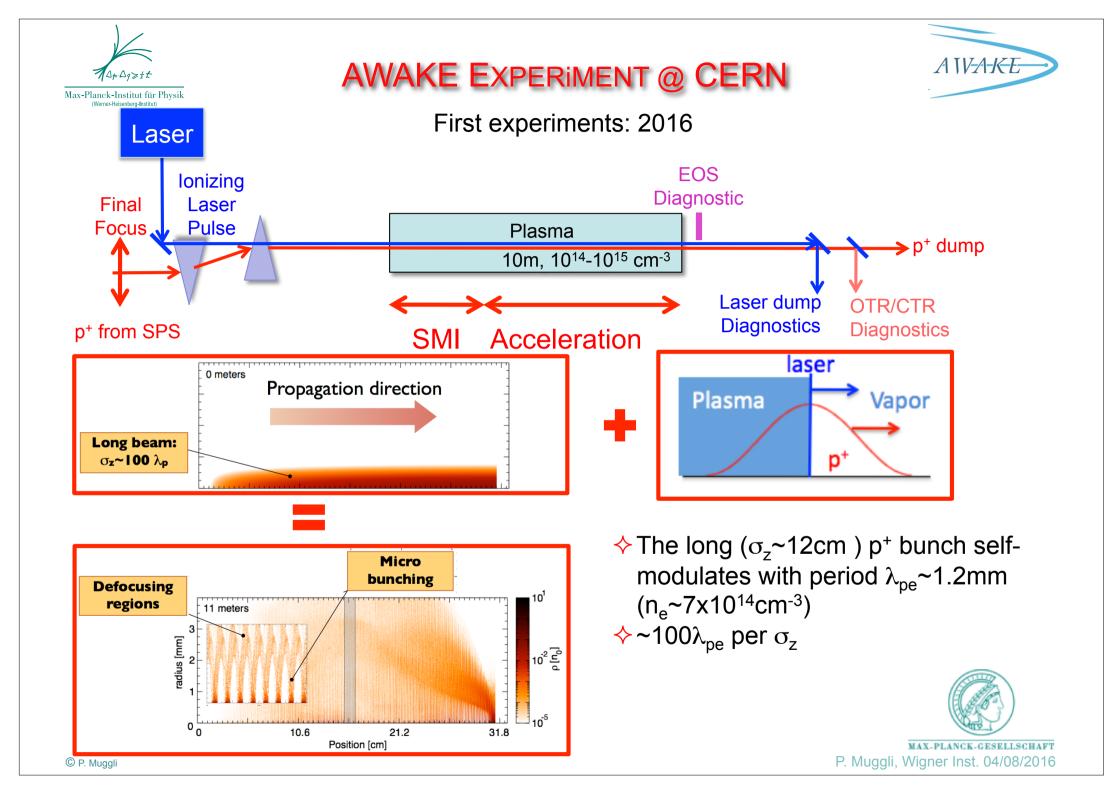


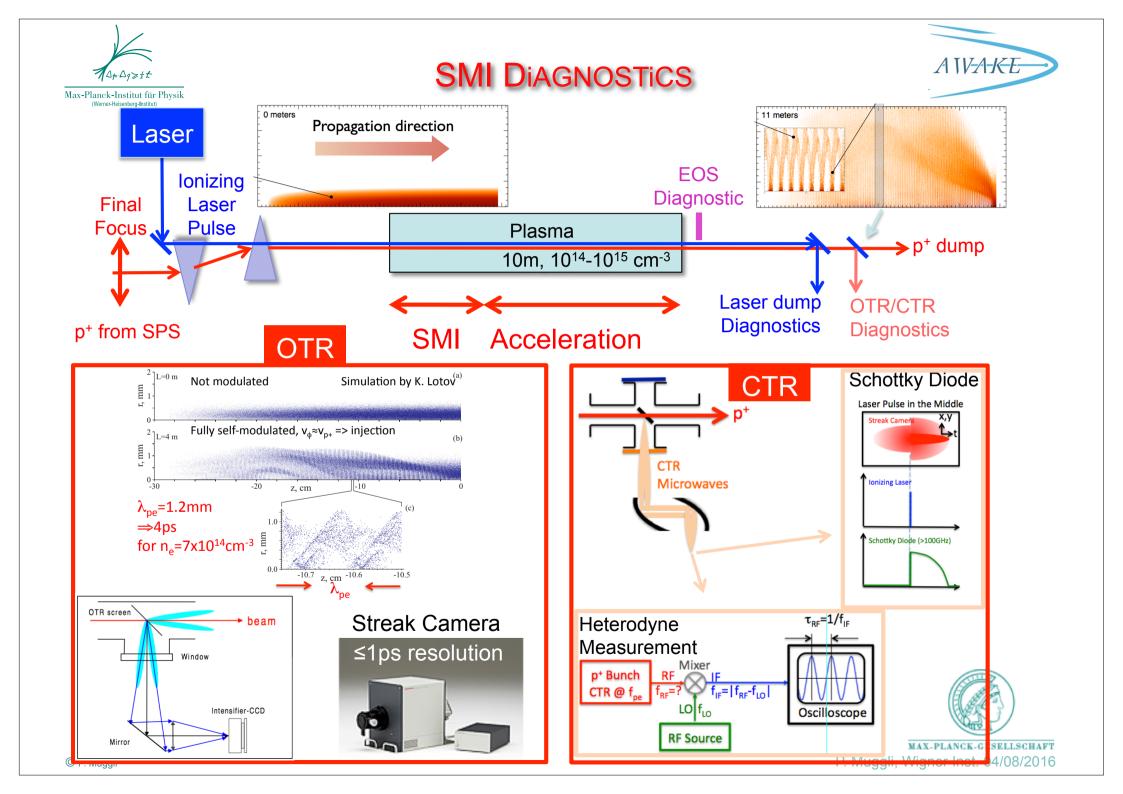


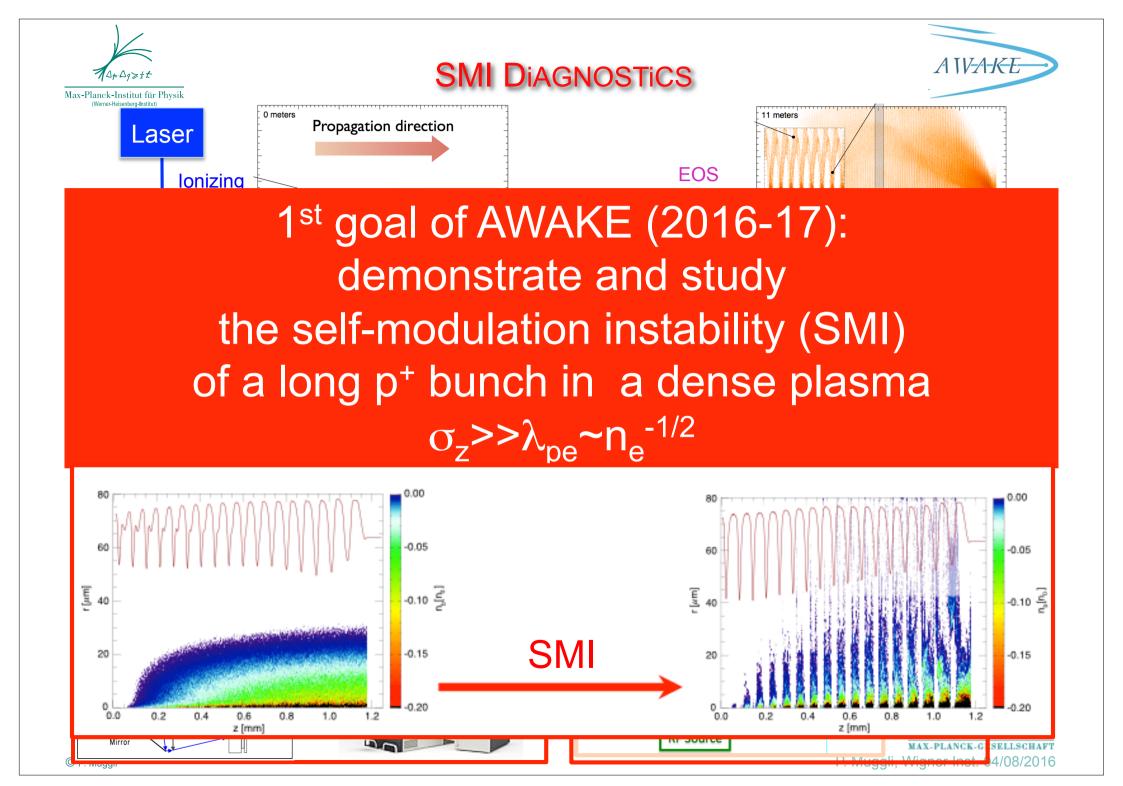
♦ Short laser pulse creates the plasma and seeds the SMI  $\sigma_z \sim 12 \text{ cm} >> \lambda_{pe} \sim 1.2 \text{ mm} (n_e \sim 7 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}) => \text{ Self-modulation Instability (SMI)*}$  $\sigma_z \mid_{aser} \sim 30 \mu \text{m} << \lambda_{pe} => \text{ good seed}$ 

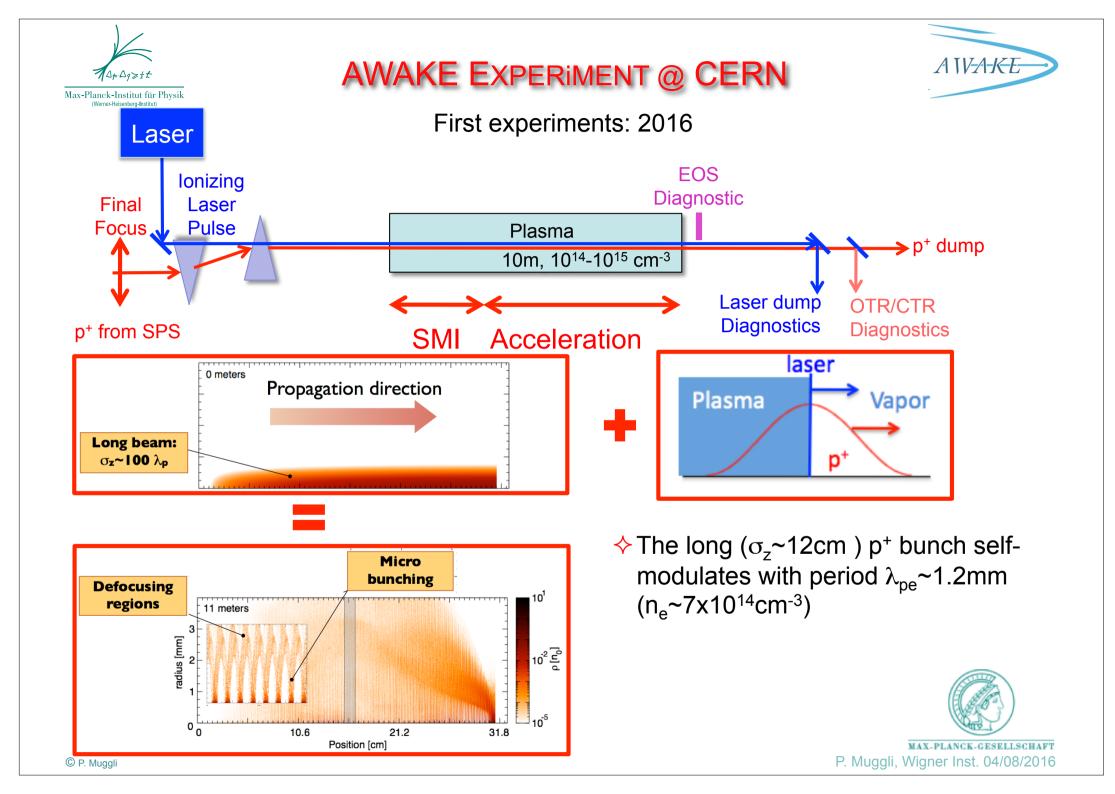


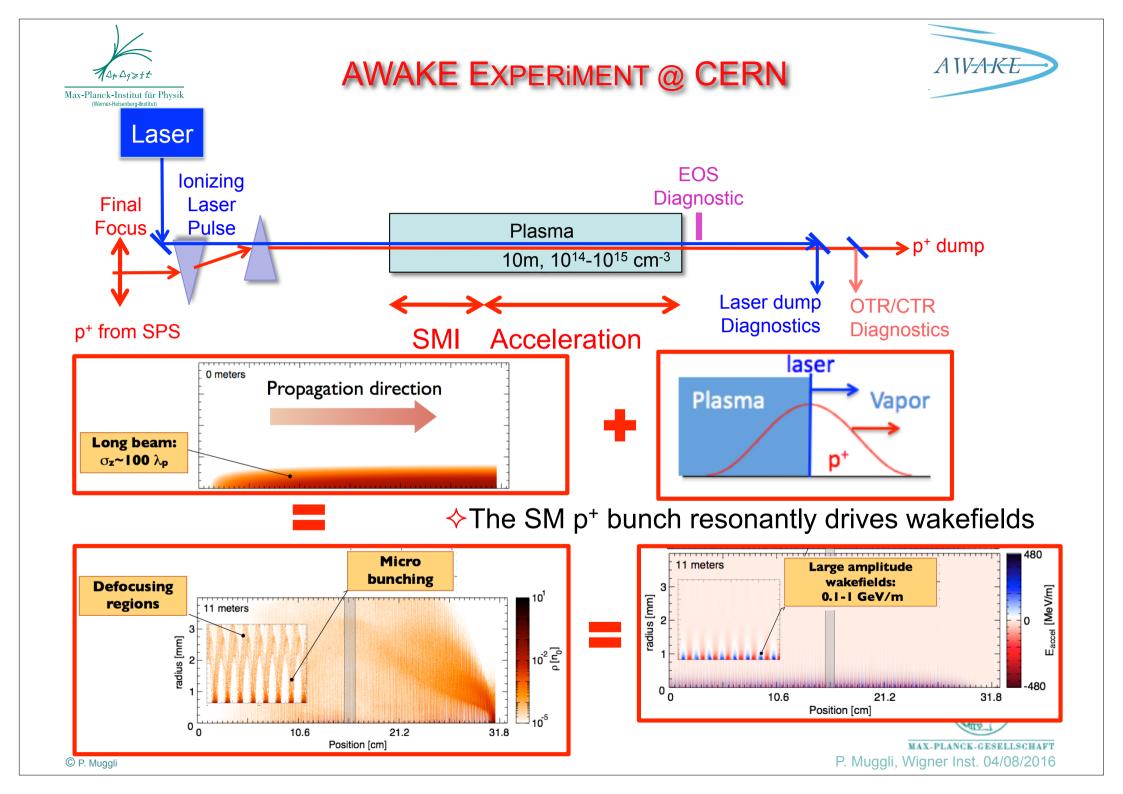


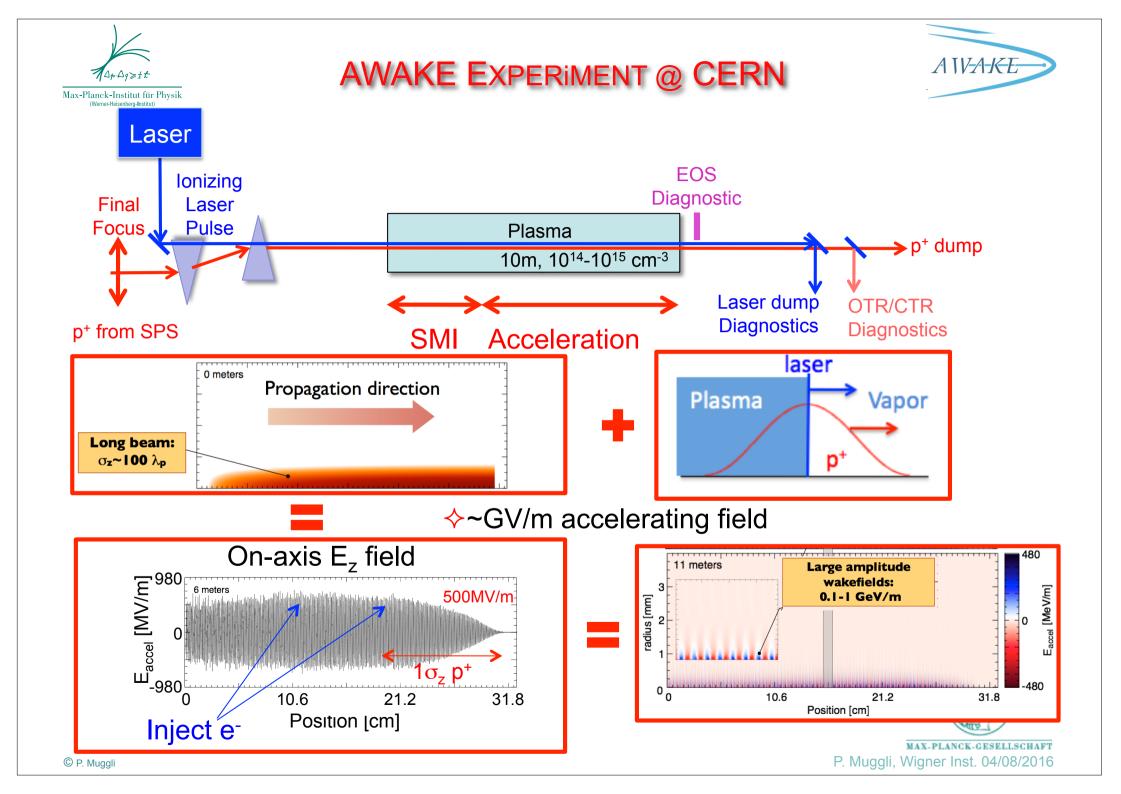


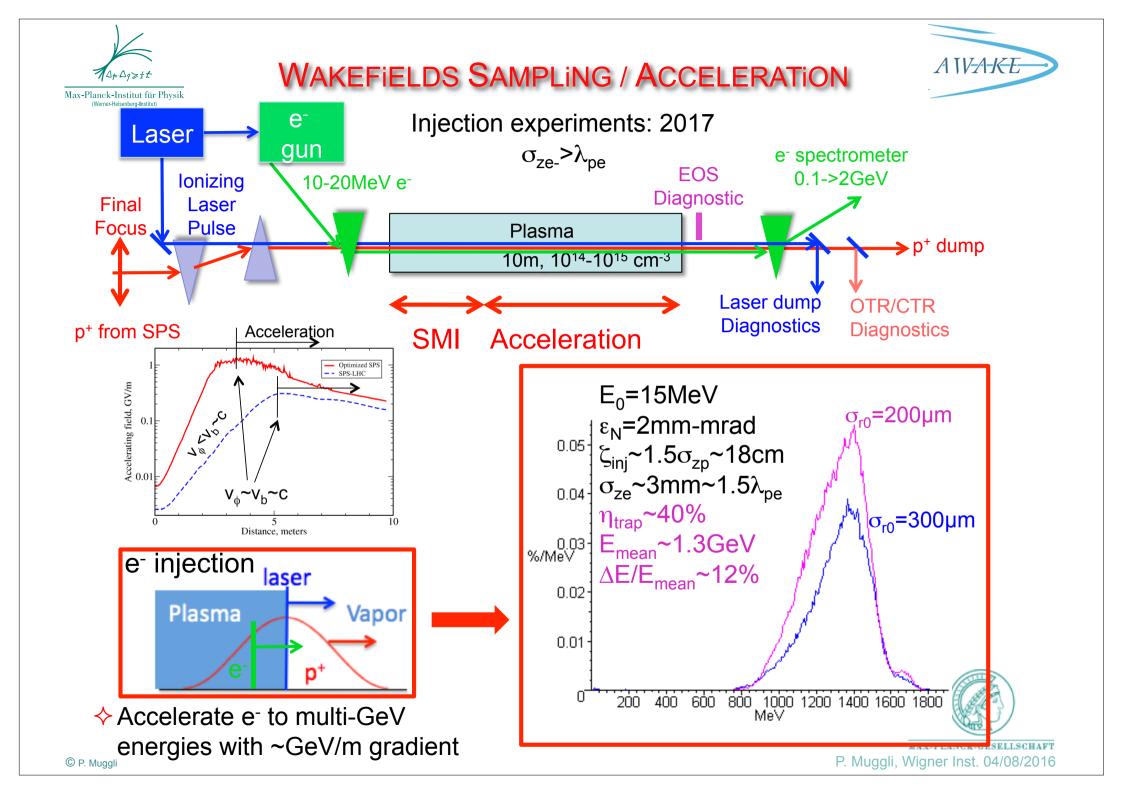


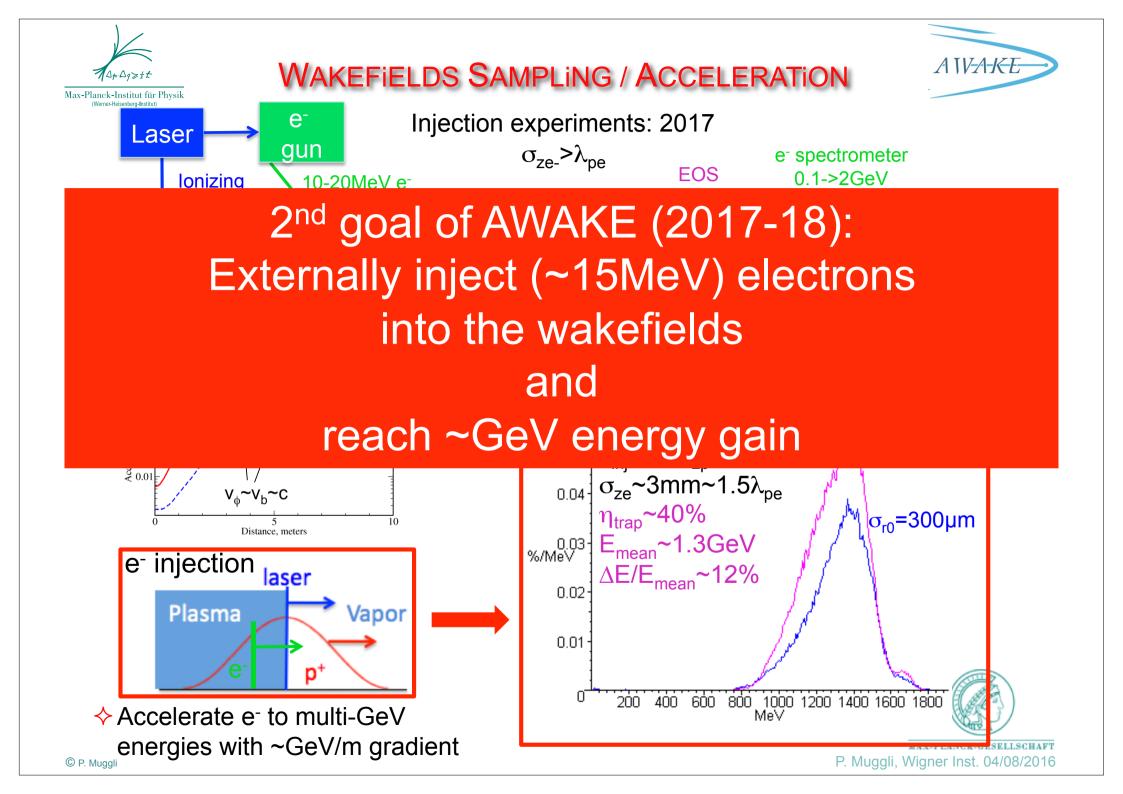


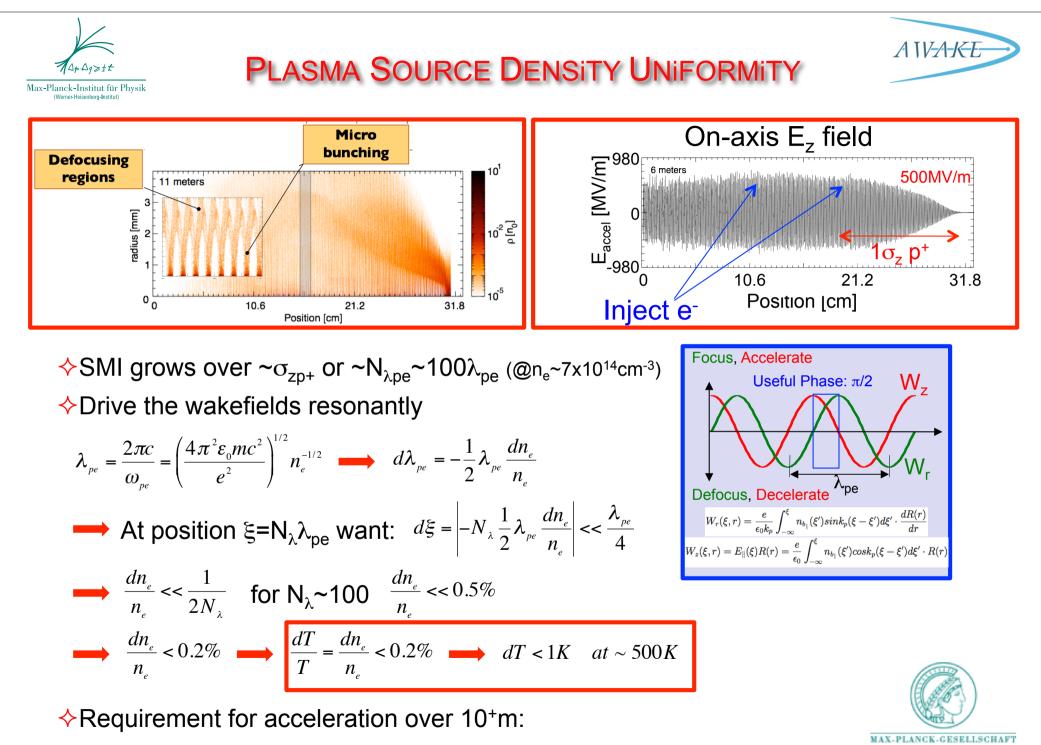






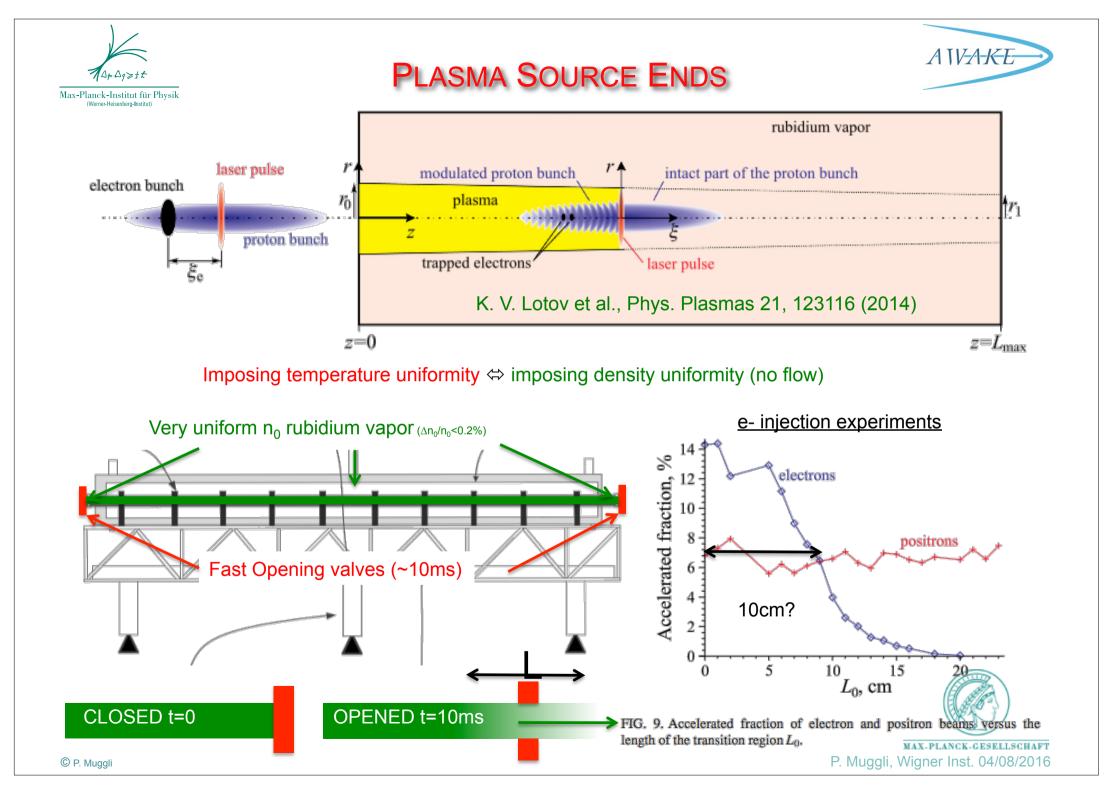


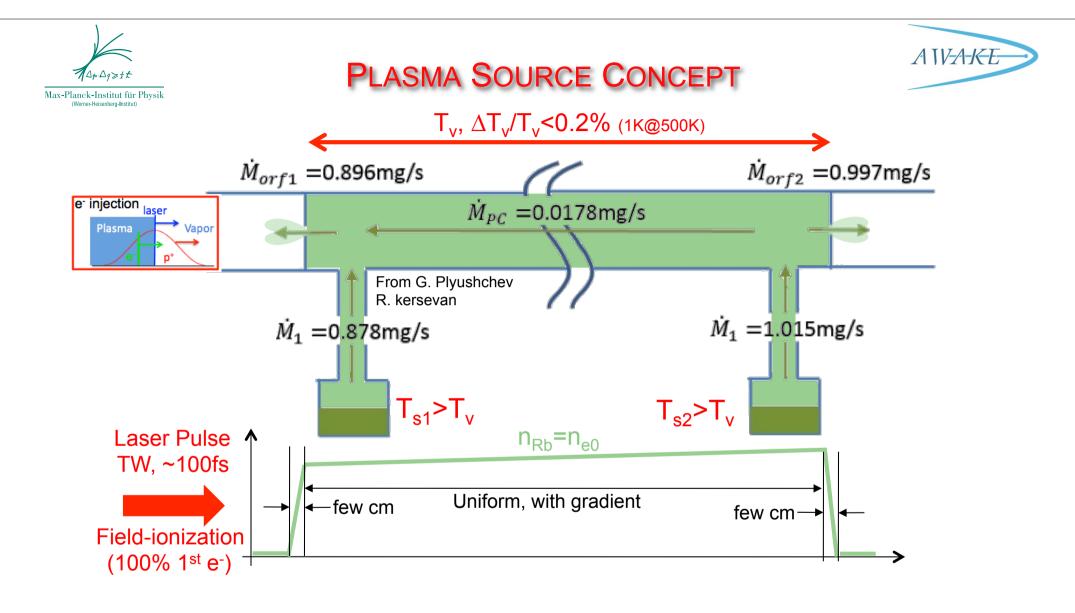




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♦ Temperature ⇔ vapor density ⇔ plasma density uniformity

♦Expansion in vacuum ⇔ sharp end ramps

♦Two Rb reservoirs ⇔ possibility of density gradient

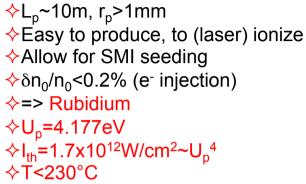
♦Laser field ionization ⇔ seeding SMI ⇔ short lived plasma

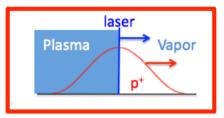
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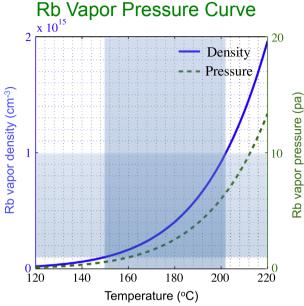


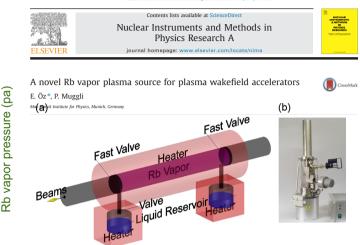


#### Plasma requirements:







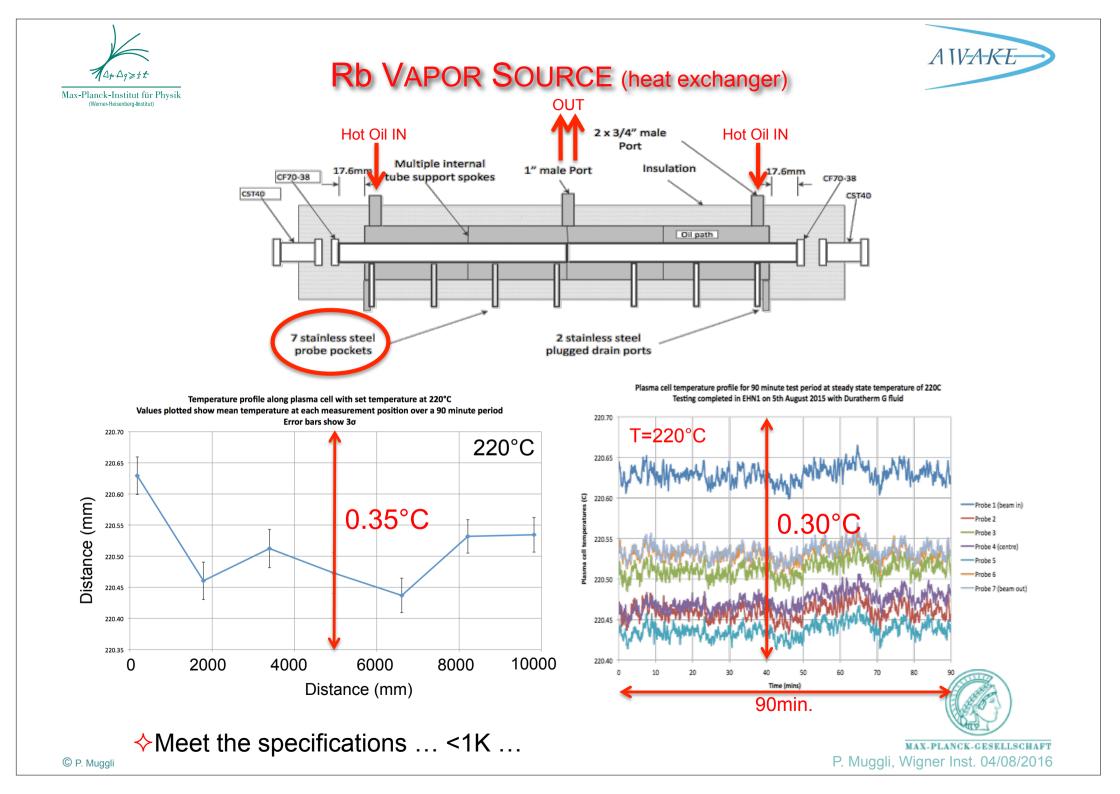


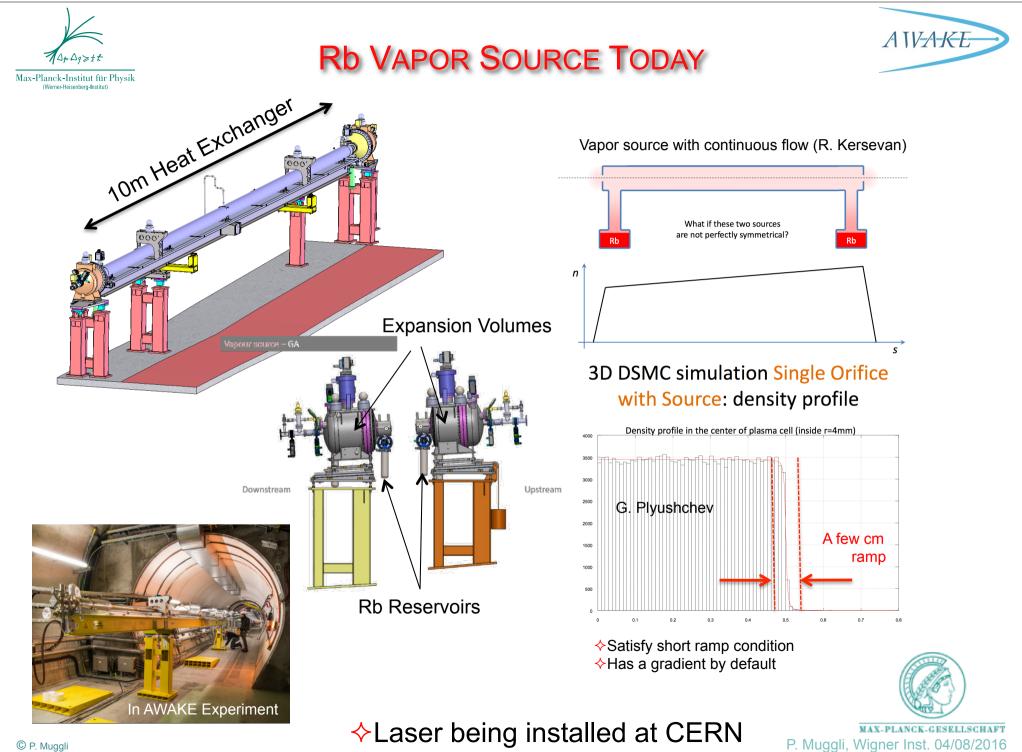
**Fig. 2.** (a) Sketch of the plasma source. Two independently heated sections consist of a 10 m long Rb vapor section with fast valves for proton, electron and laser beam access and valved Rb liquid reservoirs. (b) Photo of the valved Rb liquid reservoir by MBE Komponenten incorporated.

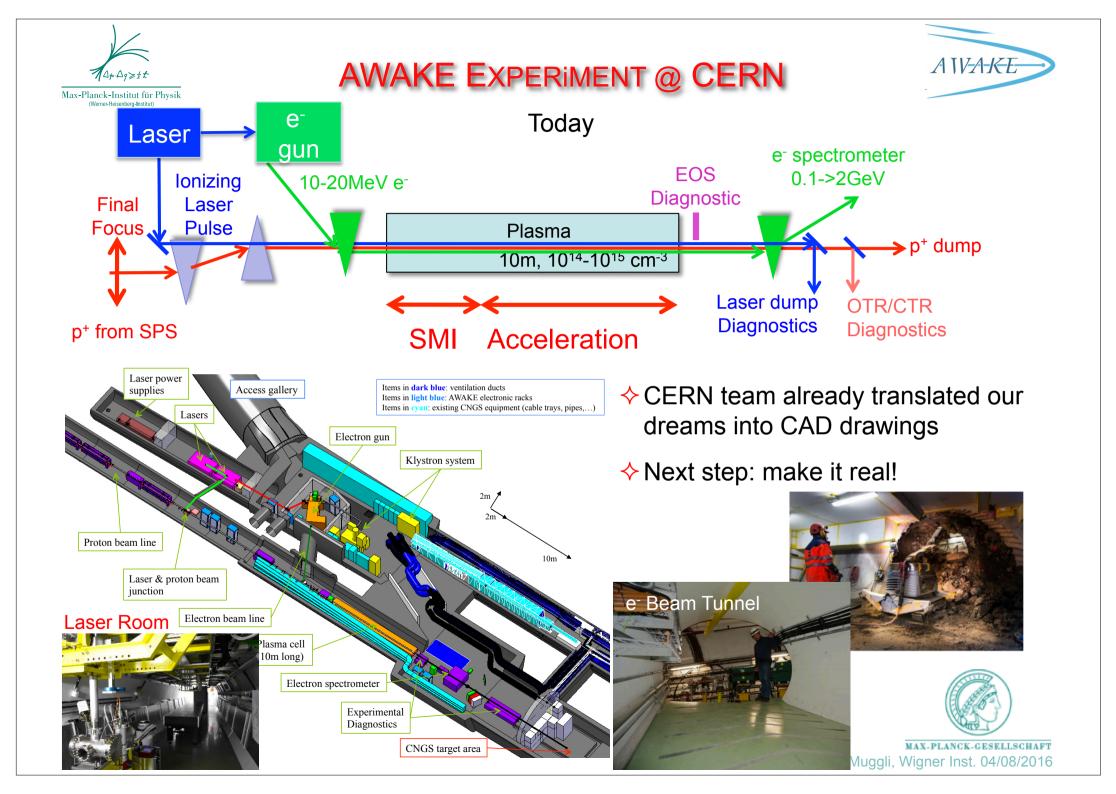


♦The longest compact accelerator in the world!

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## **PRESENT - FUTURE**



Rb-based vapor source currently built/developed

Ionization laser (Er-fiber):

 $\lambda$ =780±5nm ~  $\lambda_{RbD2}$ ~780nm, ~  $\lambda_{RbD1}$ ~794nm  $\Leftrightarrow$  anomalous dispersion (Josh)

♦Laser propagation (Jerome)

 $\diamond$ Need full ionization over 10m and r~c/ $\omega_{pe}$ ~1mm (Anna-Maria)

Spent laser pulse can damage diagnostics (Mathias)

Laser pulse propagation ionization calculations
 Ionization fraction (100% 1<sup>st</sup> e<sup>-</sup>)
 Evolution (r,z)
 Propagation velocity
 Plasma density diagnostics
 Important (AWAKE) and interesting problems
 Many good topics for experiment/simulation/theory collaboration ...

# Thank you to my collaborators!

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