

MPEX Diagnostics

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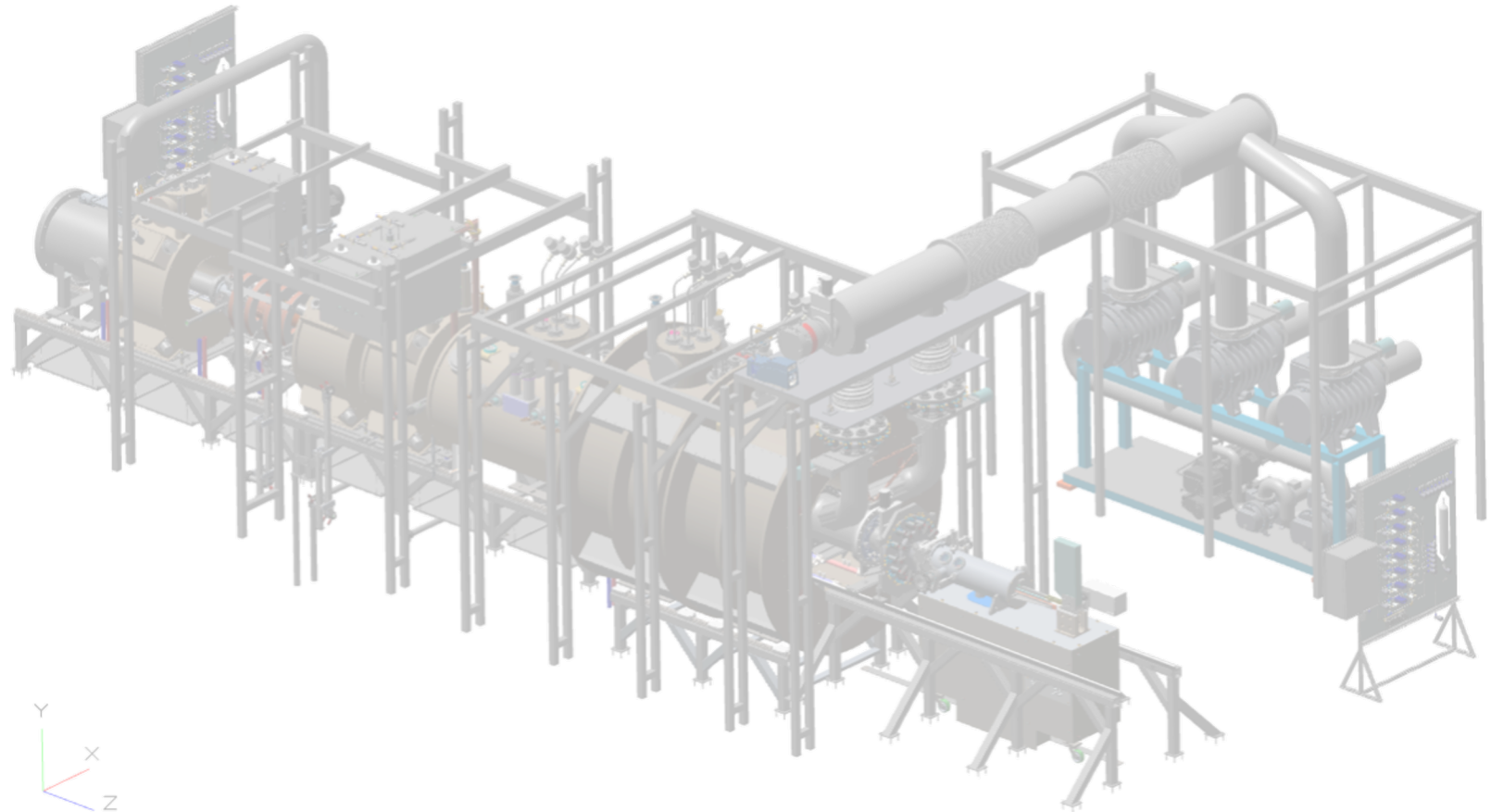
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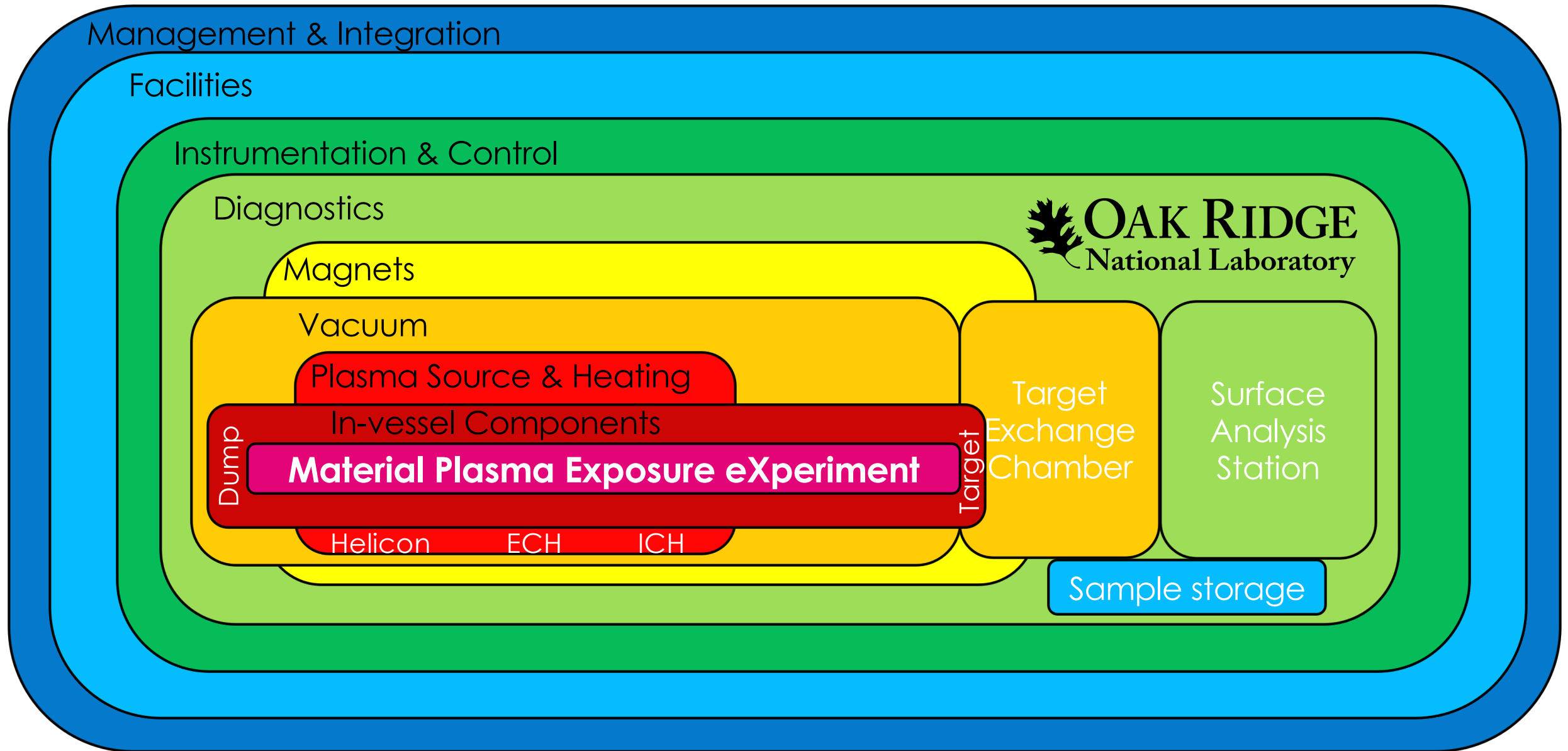
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Outline: MPEX Diagnostics (15+5 minutes)

- Design Overview of Diagnostics (10 min)
- Progress since 1st MURF (5 min)
- Summary

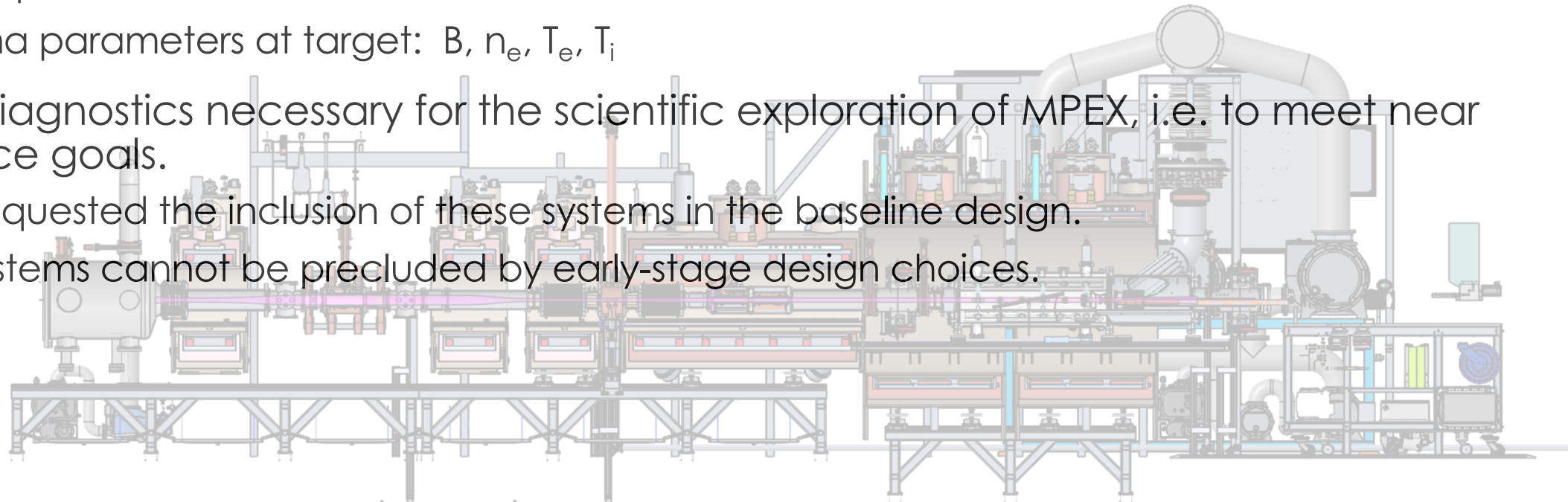


MPEX Project interdependencies

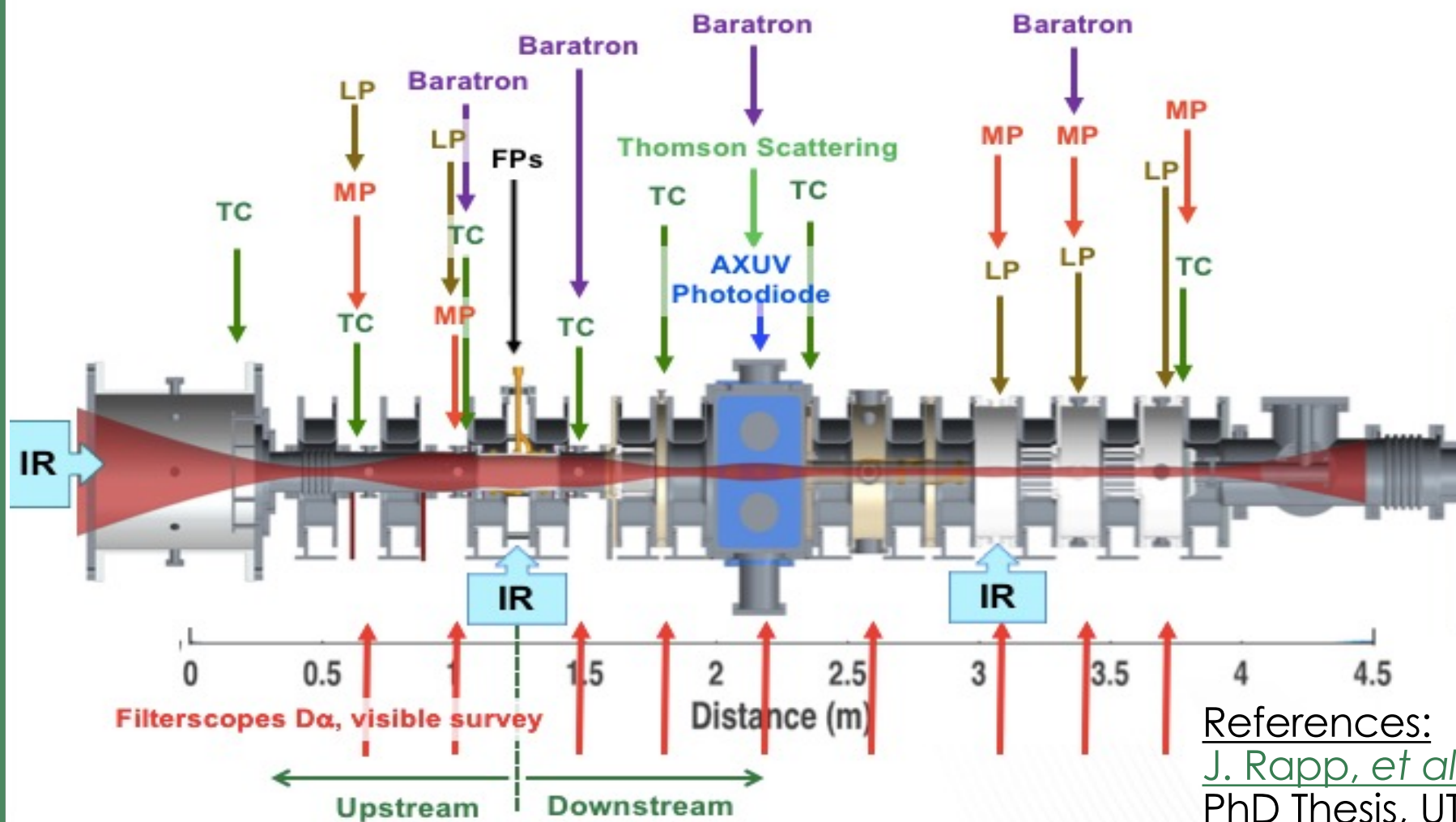


Design Overview of MPEX Diagnostics System

- The Diagnostics Systems cover **all diagnostics for the scientific exploration of MPEX.**
 - machine protection
 - basic machine control
 - advanced plasma control
 - evaluation and physics studies
- **Phase I:** Those Diagnostics necessary to demonstrate “first plasma” milestone
 - Machine protection, and basic machine control.
 - D_2 plasma parameters at target: B, n_e, T_e, T_i
- **Phase II:** Diagnostics necessary for the scientific exploration of MPEX, i.e. to meet near term science goals.
 - D.O.E. requested the inclusion of these systems in the baseline design.
 - These systems cannot be precluded by early-stage design choices.



The diagnostic portfolio of Proto-MPEX has been described in a variety of publications and PhD theses.



Legend:
 FP = Fluoroptic Probe
 IR = InfraRed camera
 LP = double Langmuir Probe
 MP = Mach Probe
 TC = ThermoCouple

AXUV Photodiode
 Baratron
 Filterscopes
 Thomson Scattering
 Bolometers
 Fast Camera Imaging
 Optical Emission Spectro.
 SXR Photodiode
 μ -wave diodes

References:
[J. Rapp, et al., Fus Sci Tech, 75, 654, 2019](#)
 PhD Thesis, UTK 2018, M.A Showers
 PhD Thesis, UTK 2019, N. Kafle
 PhD Thesis, UTK 2020, H.B. Ray
 PhD Thesis, UTK 2021, C.J. Beers

Many diagnostics will move from Proto-MPEX to MPEX resulting in significant cost savings for Phase I

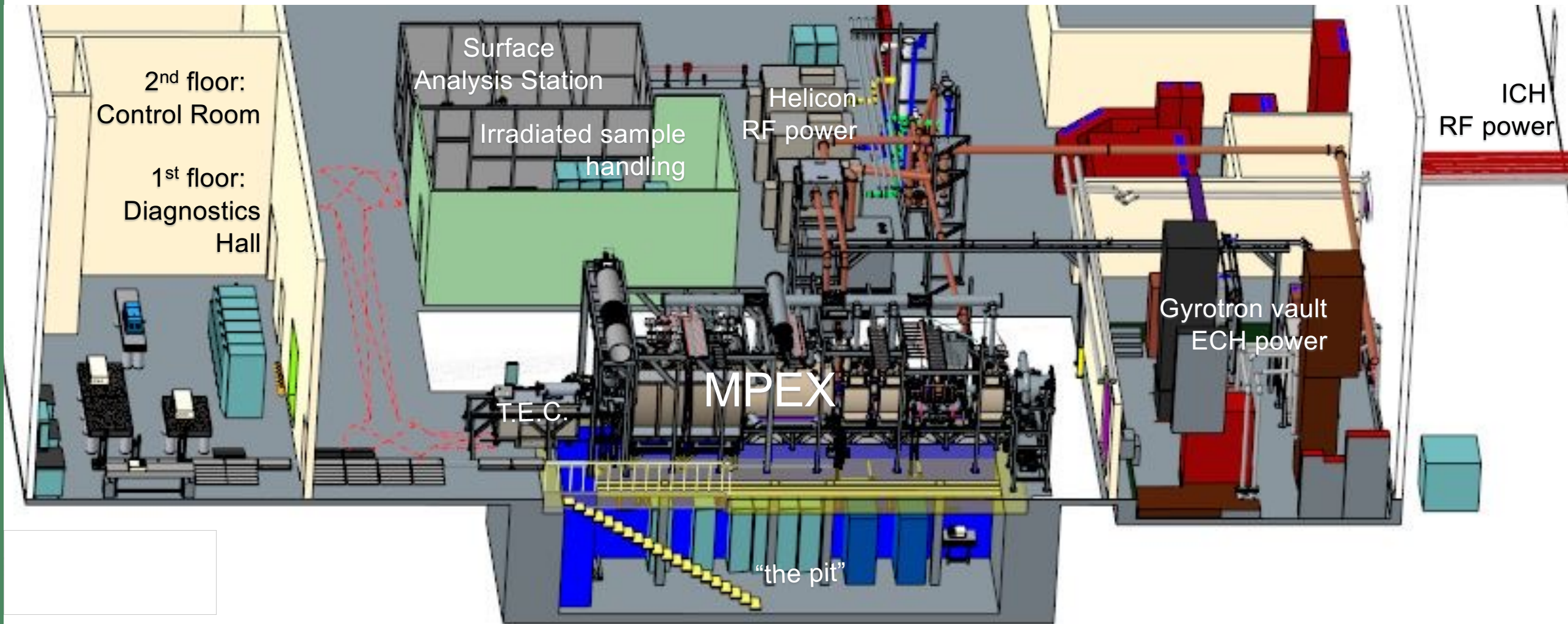
Phase I: “first plasma”

Diagnostic
OES-HiRes
OES-Survey
Baratrons
Thomson Scattering
Pyrometer
Visible Cameras
IR Camera
Filterscopes
RGA
TC/Fluoroptics

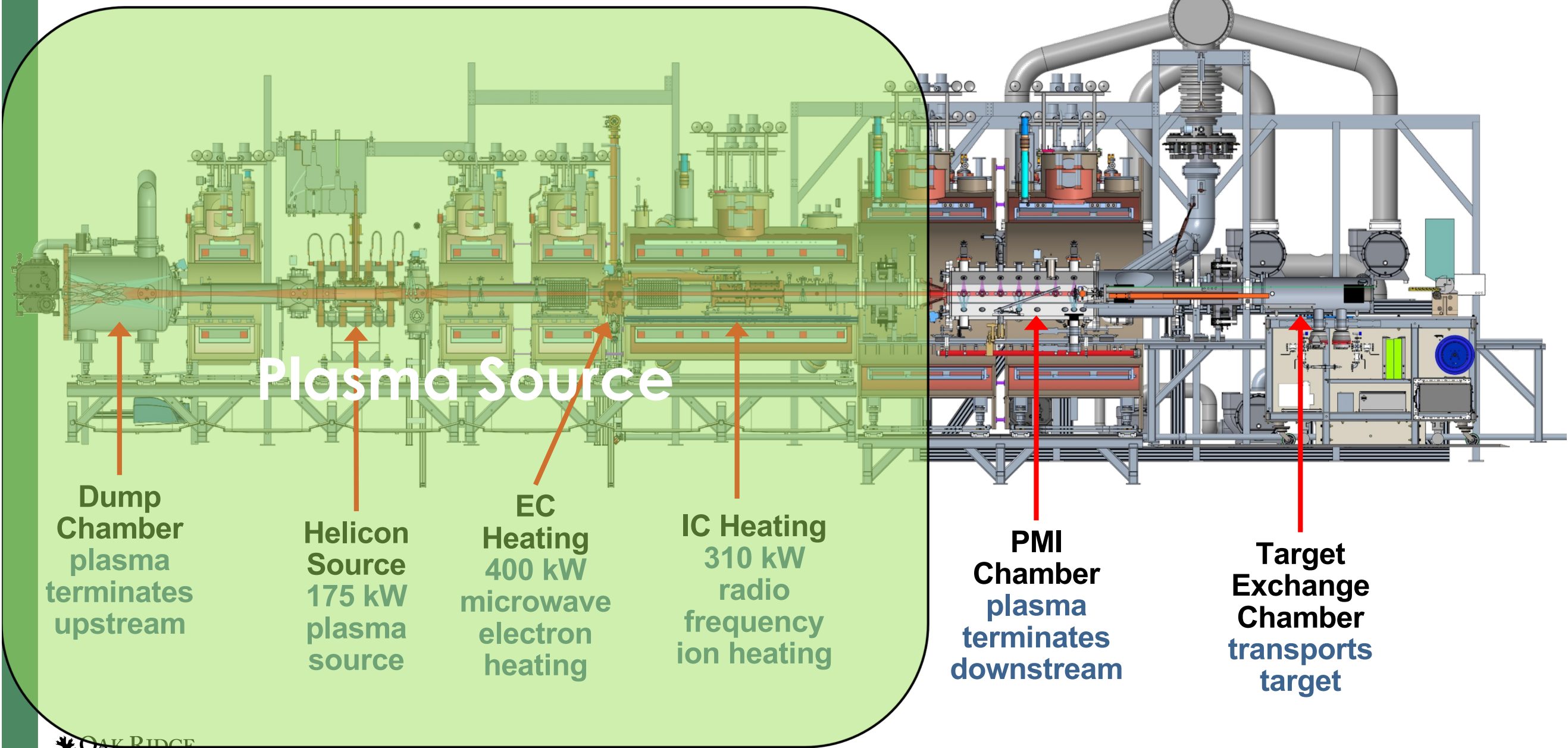
Phase II: to meet science goals

Diagnostic
Surface Analysis Station
Thomson 2, 3
TALIF
CO ₂ Interferometer
Bolometers
IR Camera 2, 3, ...
Microwave Diodes
AXUV/SXR Diodes
LIBS/LIDS/LIAS

Current Design of MPEX Facility

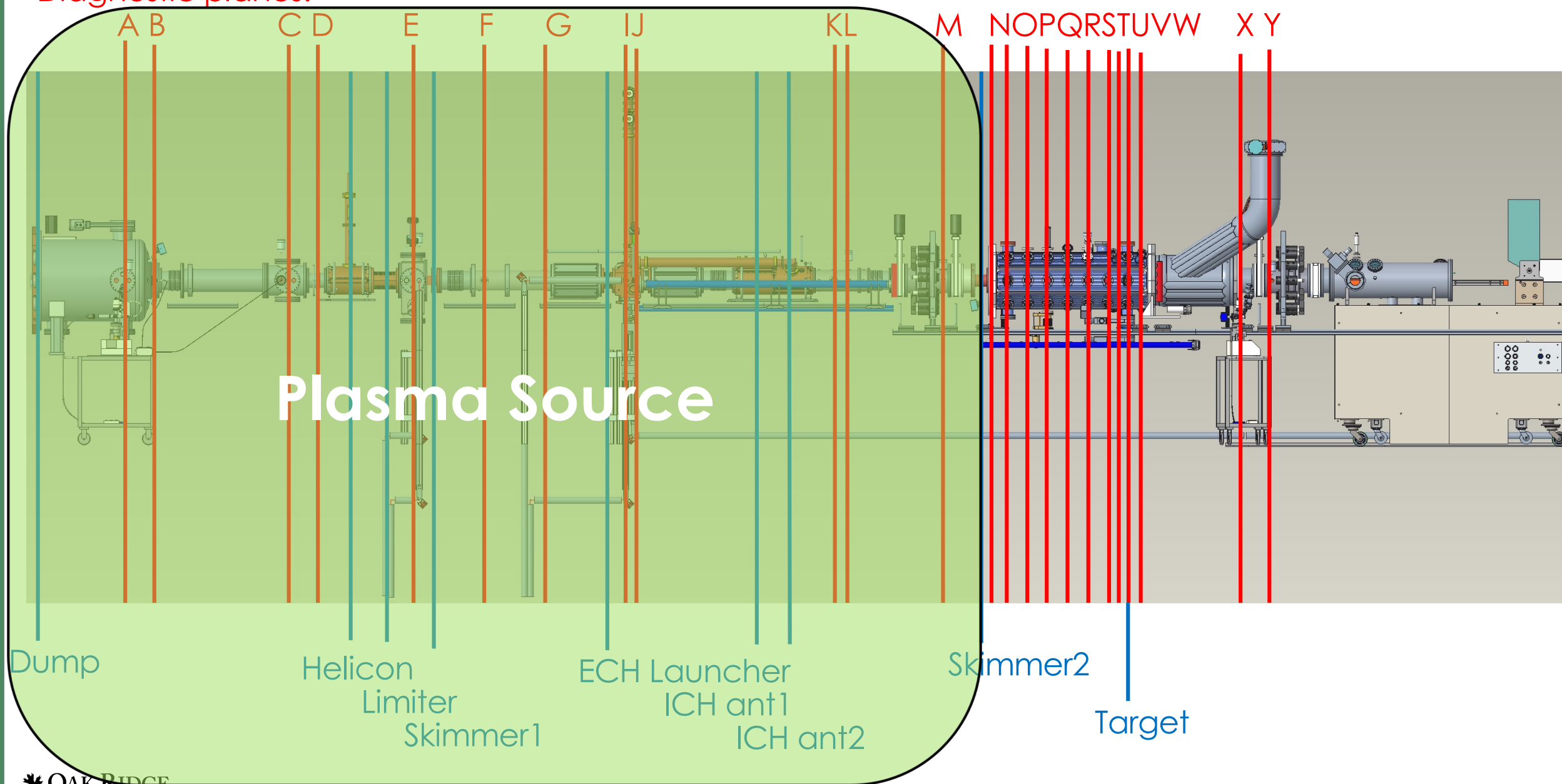


MPEX Systems – cross section



MPEX diagnostic port planes

Diagnostic planes:



Plasma Source

Dump

Helicon

Limiter

Skimmer1

ECH Launcher

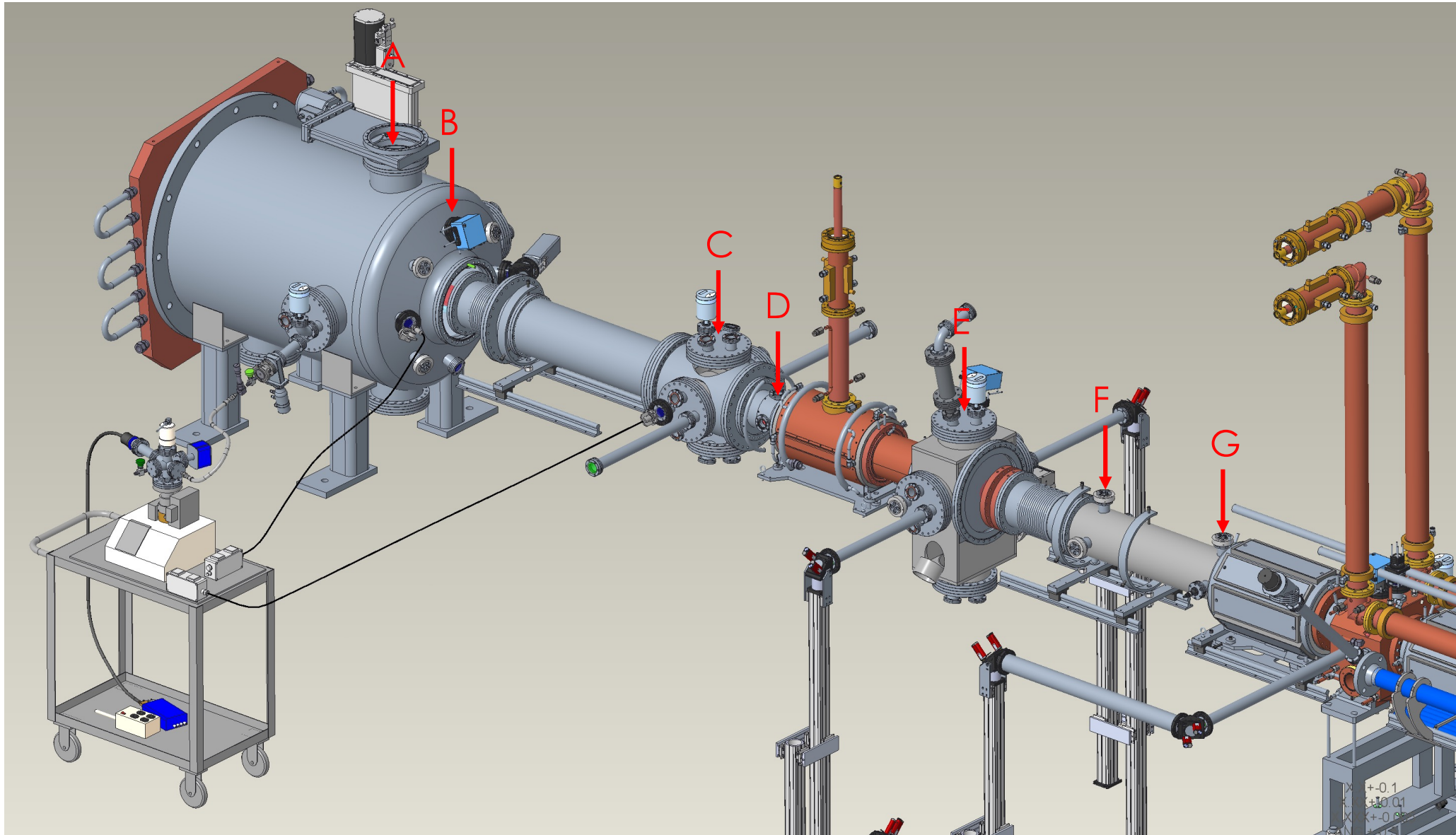
ICH ant1

ICH ant2

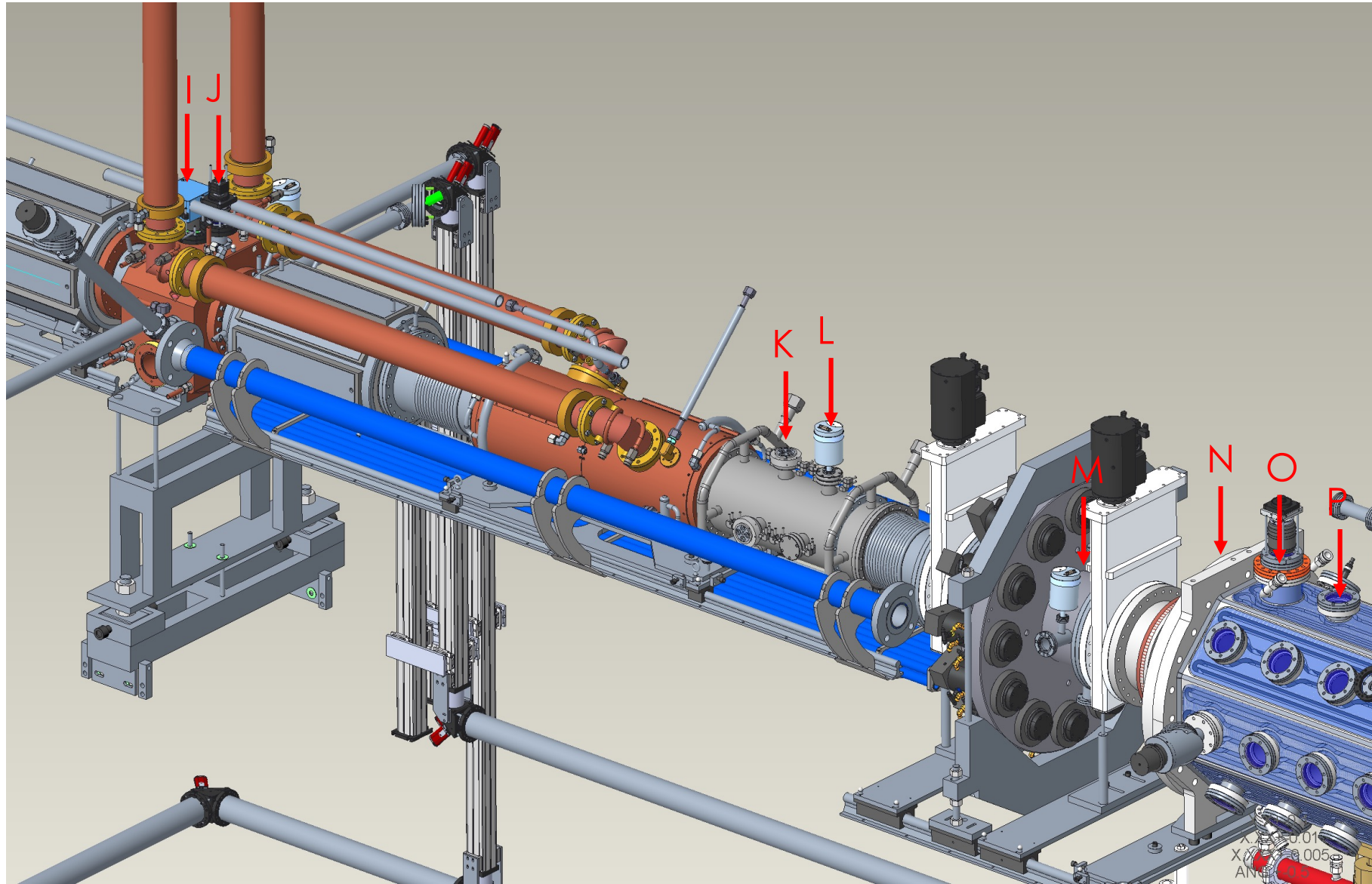
Skimmer2

Target

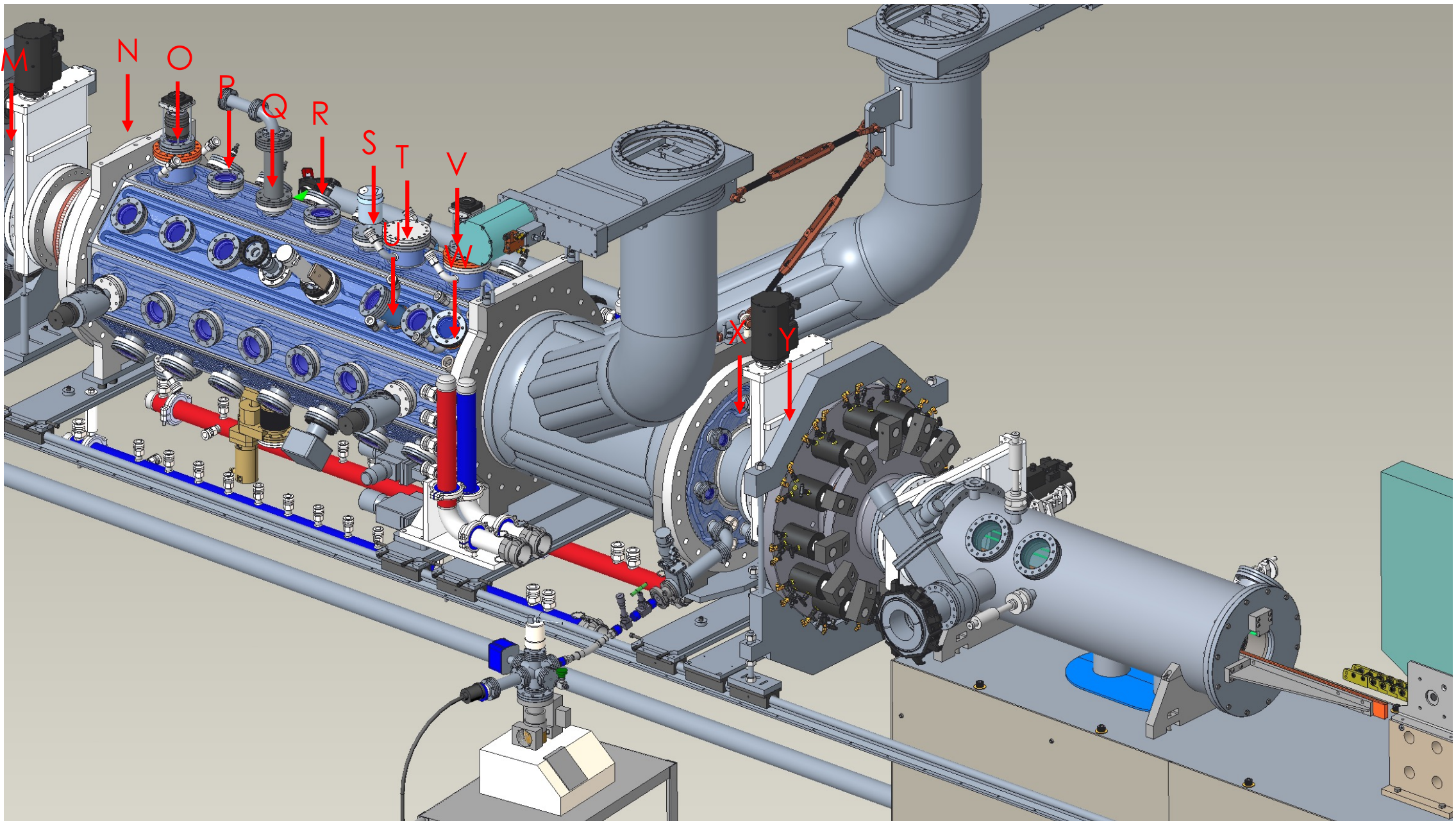
MPEX dump and helicon regions



MPEX ECH and ICH regions

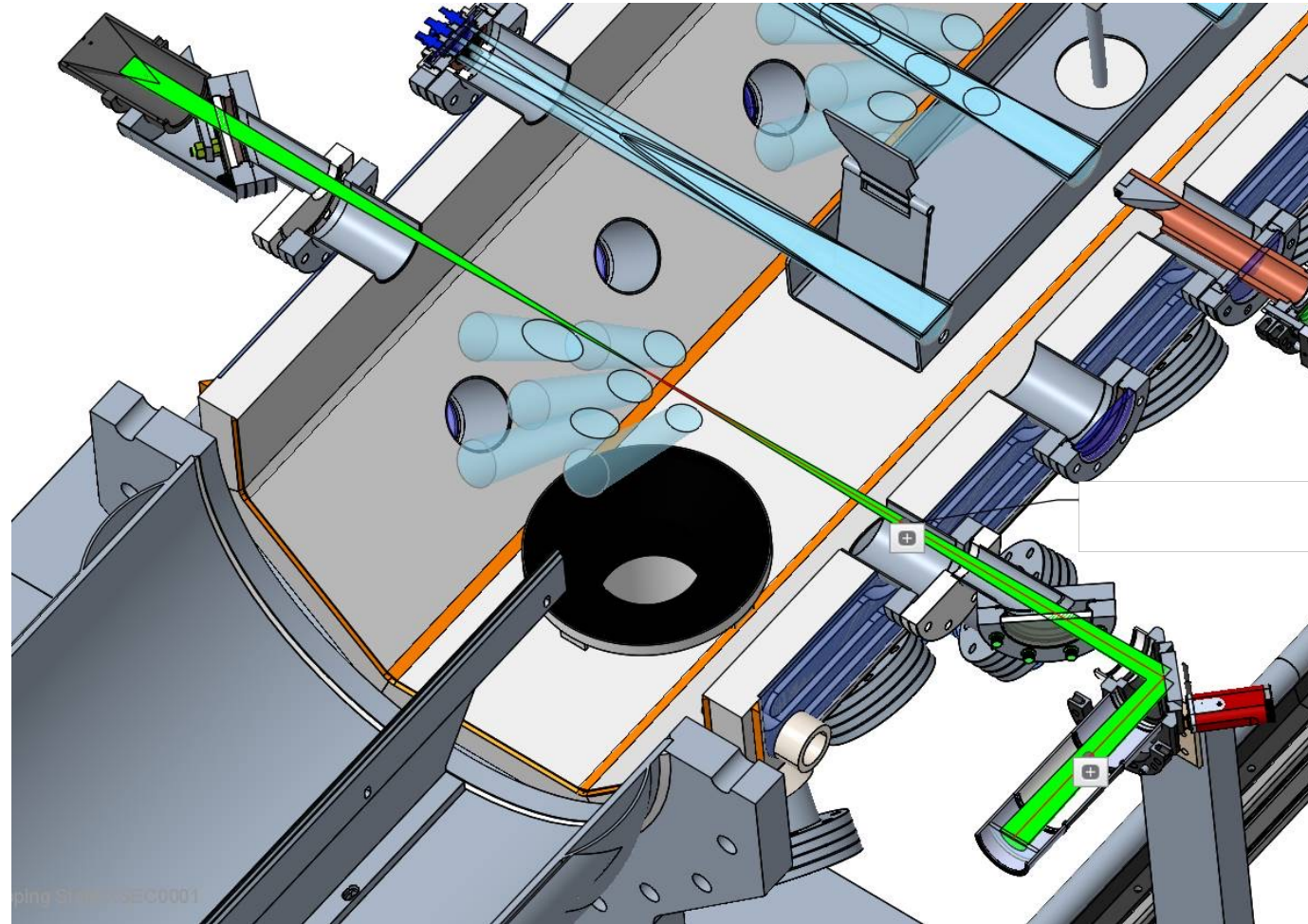


MPEX PMI region



Thomson Scattering

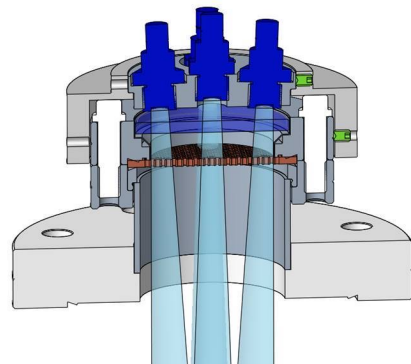
- Based on hardware used on Proto-MPEX to demonstrate EBW heating physics
 - [T.M. Biewer, et al., RSI, 2016](#)
 - [N. Kafle, et al., RSI 2018](#)
 - [T.M. Biewer, et al., Phys. Plasmas, 2018](#)
- QuantaRay Pro350 2 J Nd:YAG laser
 - Frequency doubled to 532 nm
 - 10 Hz measurement rate
 - 10 ns Measurement interval
- Single laser could be used in multiple passes, as on Proto-MPEX
- Princeton Instruments intensified camera and Kaiser Optical Holospec f1.8.
- **1 region in phase I**, 2 additional regions in phase II.



Optical Emission Spectroscopy

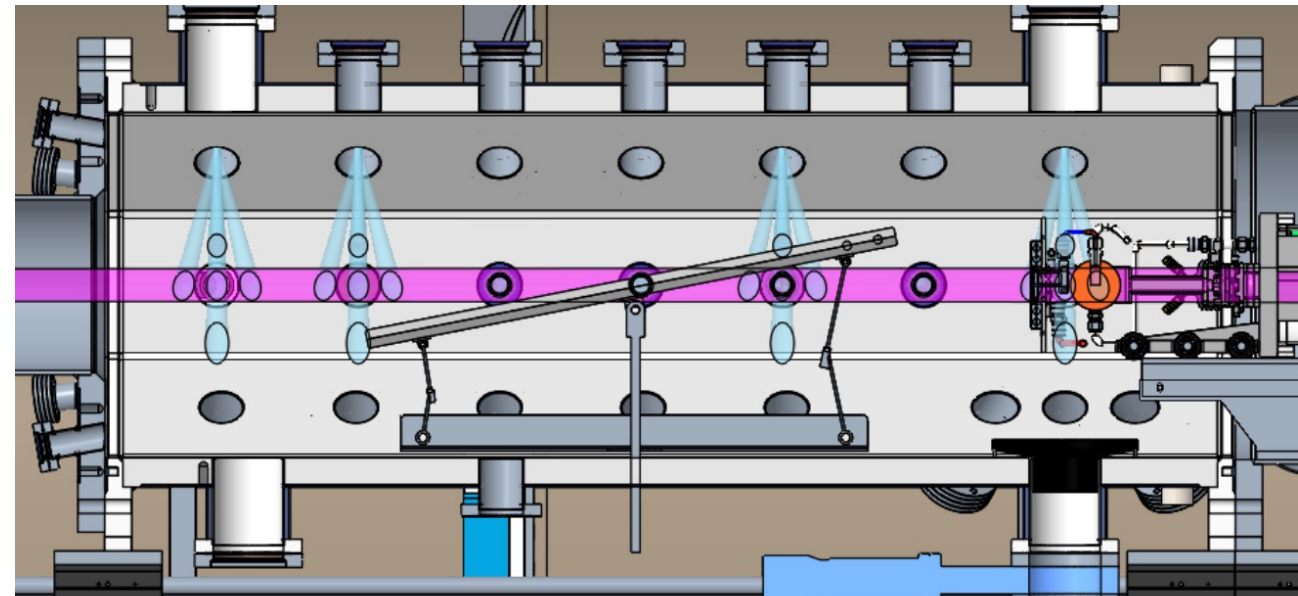
Survey

- Ocean Optics HR4000 compact spectrometer from Proto-MPEX
 - Easy expansion to additional channels
- Identify impurity species, good for target material tracking
- Important diagnostic for safety and operational control
 - Unknown impurities can be an early warning sign
 - Appearance of different species indicates changes in bulk plasma conditions.



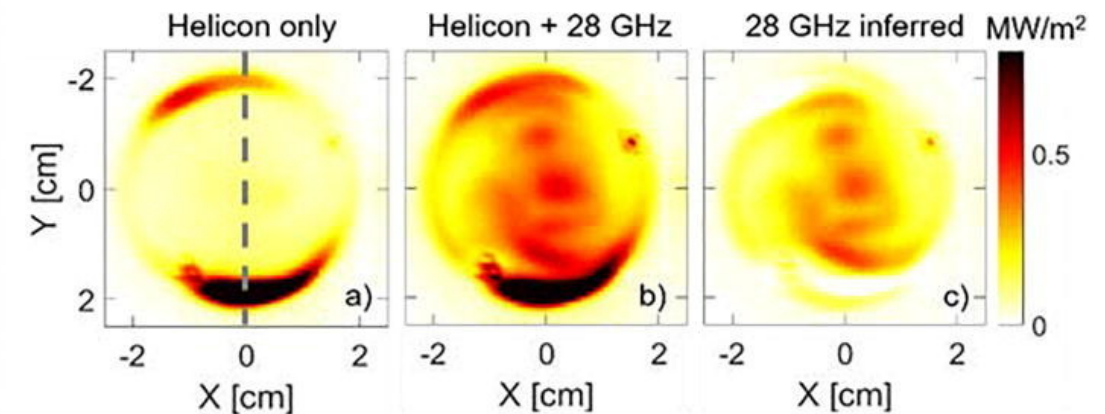
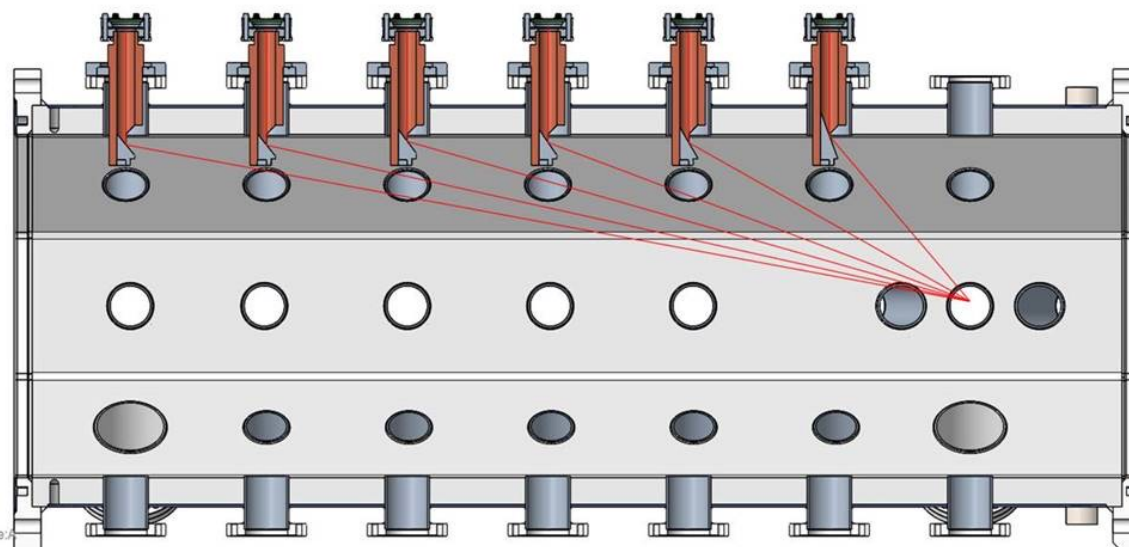
High Resolution

- McPherson 1m 2051 spectrometer from Proto-MPEX
- PI PhotonMax 512b EMCCD detector
- Doppler measurements for T_i and v_i , with inversion if necessary
 - [C.J. Beers, et al., Phys Plasmas, 2018](#)
- Ar II trace impurities for ion measurements



IR camera for thermal imaging of heat flux on target

- FLIR A655SC IR Camera used extensively on Proto-MPEX
 - Heat load monitoring on the target
 - [M. Showers, et al., RSI, 2016](#)
 - [M. Showers, et al., Phys Plasmas, 2018](#)
 - [C. Lau, et al., Phys Plasmas, 2019](#)
- Periscope design allows for flexibility of installation
 - 1 camera for phase I, additional cameras for phase II

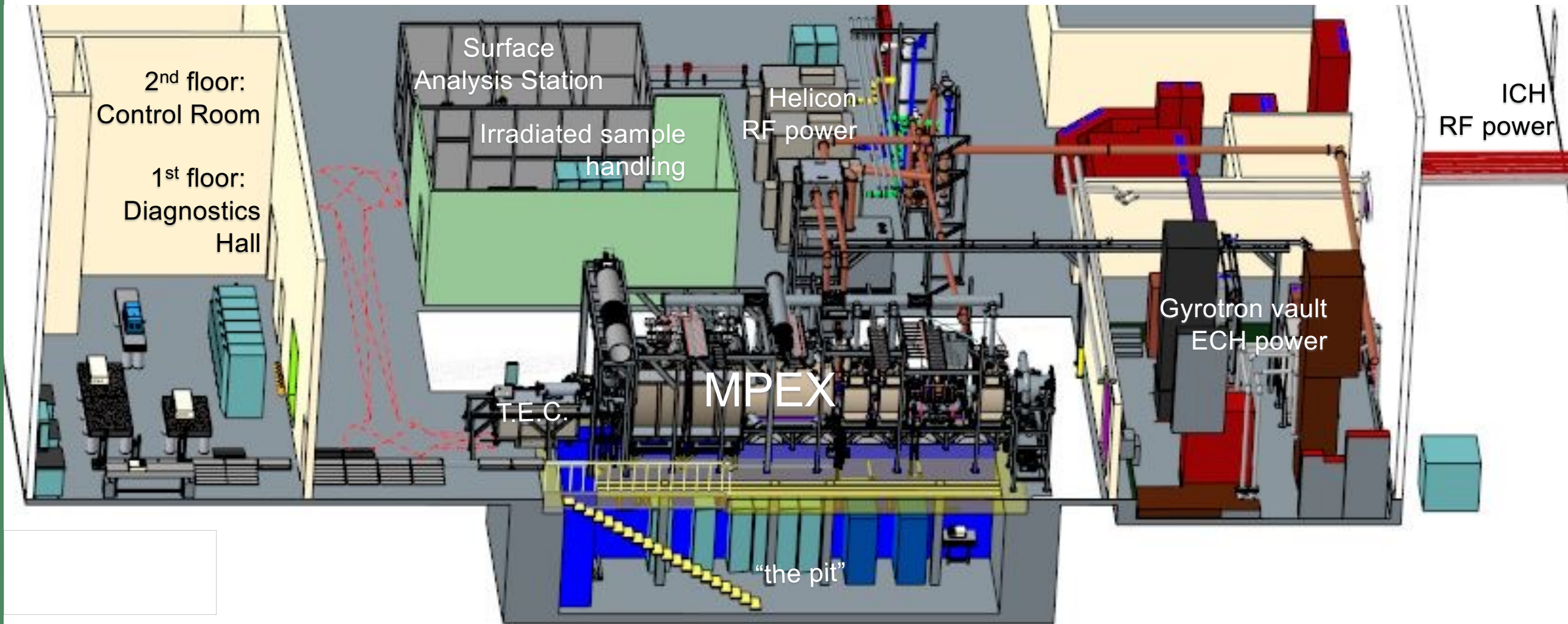


MPEX required measurements classified by role

Measurement	Parameter	Role	Range	Time resp.
Helicon window temperature	T_{hel}	1.a1	20–500°C	>1 Hz
ICH window temperature	T_{ICH}	1.a1	20–500°C	>1 Hz
Skimmer temperature	T_{skim}	1.a1	20–500°C	>1 Hz
Limiter temperature	T_{lim}	1.a1	20–2500°C	>1 Hz
Dump plate temperature	T_{dump}	1.a2	20–2500°C	>1 Hz
Ave. Target temperature	T_{tar}	1.a2	20–2500°C	>1 Hz
Target Heat Flux distribution	Q_{tar}	1.b	0–40 MW/m ²	>10 Hz
Dump Heat Flux distribution	Q_{dump}	1.b	0–20 MW/m ²	>10 Hz
Target Particle Flux	G_{tar}	1.b	10 ²² –10 ²⁵ particles/m ²	>100 Hz
Dump Particle Flux	G_{dump}	1.b	10 ²¹ –10 ²⁴ particles/m ²	>1 Hz
Magnetic field (SC windings)	B	1.b	0.01–5 T	>1 Hz
Magnetic field (Cu windings)	B	1.b	0.01–5 T	>1 Hz
Total Neutral Gas pressure	P_0	1.a2	10 ⁻⁷ –100 Pa	>1 kHz
Helicon Power	$P_{helicon}$	1.a2	0–20 kW	>1 kHz
ICH Power	P_{ICH}	1.a2	0–500 kW	>1 kHz
ECH Power	P_{ECH}	1.a2	0–500 kW	>1 kHz
Stray microwave power	P_m	1.a2	0–500 kW	>1 kHz
Soft X-ray monitoring	P_{SXR}	2		>10 kHz
Radiated Power	P_{rad}	2	1–1000 kW	>100 Hz
Line-averaged electron density	$\int(Ne*dL)/dL$	1.a2	10 ¹⁸ –10 ²² m ⁻³	>1 kHz

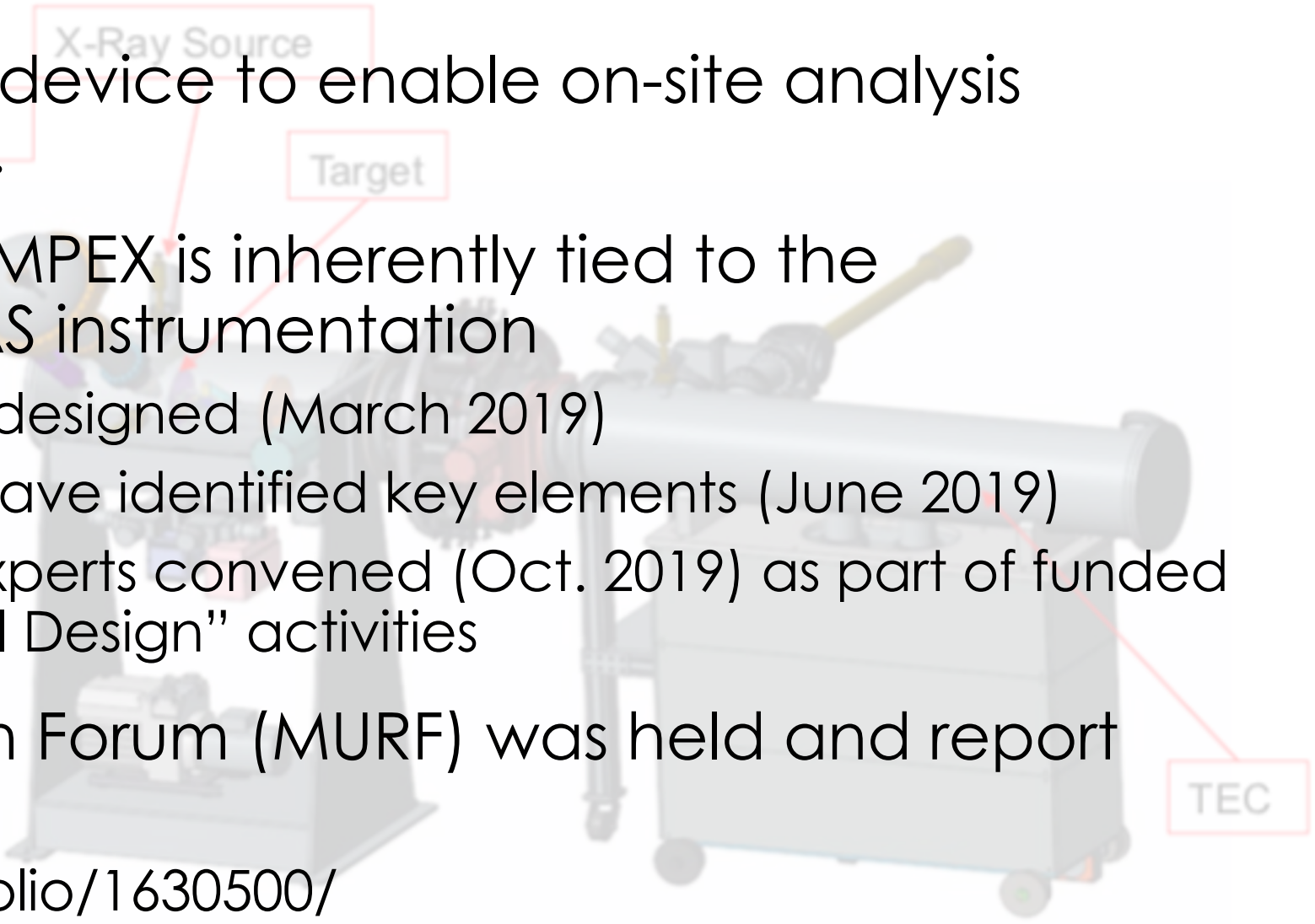
Measurement	Parameter	Role	Range	Time resp.
Plasma dynamics	D_{alpha}	2		100 kHz
On-axis Electron Temperature	$T_e(0)$	1.b	1–50 eV	>1 Hz
Electron Temperature profile	$T_e(r)$	2	1–50 eV, >10 radial points	>1 Hz
On-axis Electron Density	$n_e(0)$	1.b	10 ¹⁸ –10 ²² m ⁻³	>1 Hz
Electron Density profile	$n_e(r)$	2	10 ¹⁸ –10 ²² m ⁻³ , >10 radial points	>1 Hz
Line-averaged Ion Temperature	$\int(Ti*dL)/dL$	1.b	1–50 eV	>10 Hz
Ion Temperature profile	$T_i(r)$	2	1–50 eV, >5 radial points	>10 Hz
Neutral Gas density	n_0	2	10 ¹⁸ –10 ²² m ⁻³	
Plasma Flow	V	2	0–100 km/s	>1 Hz
Impurity Species Monitoring	n_z	2	Spectral line emission	~1 Hz
Impurity Species Monitoring	P_z	2	1–100 amu	~1 Hz
In-vessel imaging	TV	1.a2	Camera coverage of critical areas	>1 kHz
Target Surface imaging		2	Features ~<10 mm × 10 mm	
Target Surface erosion		2	Feature height ~<100 nm	
Window transmission	T_{win}	1.a2	0–100%	~1 Hz

Current Design of MPEX Facility



The **Surface Analysis Station** is a key element of the MPEX Science Mission.

- Co-located with MPEX device to enable on-site analysis without vacuum break.
- The science mission of MPEX is inherently tied to the sophistication of the SAS instrumentation
 - Concept SAS has been designed (March 2019)
 - ORNL panel of experts have identified key elements (June 2019)
 - International panel of experts convened (Oct. 2019) as part of funded “advanced Conceptual Design” activities
- 1st MPEX Users Research Forum (MURF) was held and report published
 - <https://www.osti.gov/biblio/1630500/>



Recommendations from 1st MURF

- Experiments in MPEX should strive to take advantage of the range of measurement capabilities: *in situ*, *in vacuo*, and *ex situ* at ORNL.
- A single “do all” SAS design is not required.
- Arrive at a reasonable instrumentation package for a “first generation (single) SAS” that will be incorporated into the MPEX facility baseline project design and cost.
- The prioritized instrumentation package should include:
 - a scanning electron microscope (SEM) to image
 - surface morphology with energy-dispersive X-ray (EDX) analysis to examine surface composition,
 - a compact high-energy, light ion beam for Nuclear Reaction Analysis (NRA) to study presence/retention of light isotopes,
 - and laser induced break-down spectroscopy (LIBS) to enable moderate depth profiling of static retained gases.
- FIB/SEM capability inclusion warrants further discussion.

Summary

- The Diagnostics WBS covers **all diagnostics for the scientific exploration of MPEX**. They include:
 - Diagnostics which are needed **for machine protection** as well as **basic and advanced plasma control**,
 - **Surface analysis diagnostics co-located with the MPEX facility**, which may be utilized to examine material samples after plasma exposure.
- A baseline diagnostic set is planned based on Proto-MPEX.
- Additional ports have been incorporated in the baseline design to enable future diagnostic upgrades and expansion

