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Experimental progress in LWFA to PWFA staging

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The LWFA-PWFA hybrid collaboration



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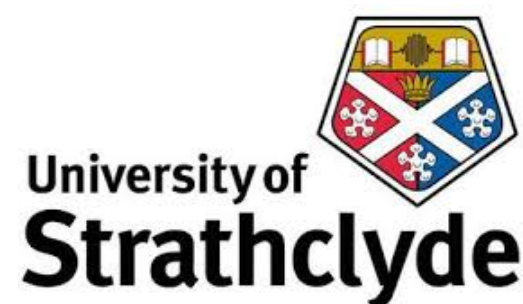
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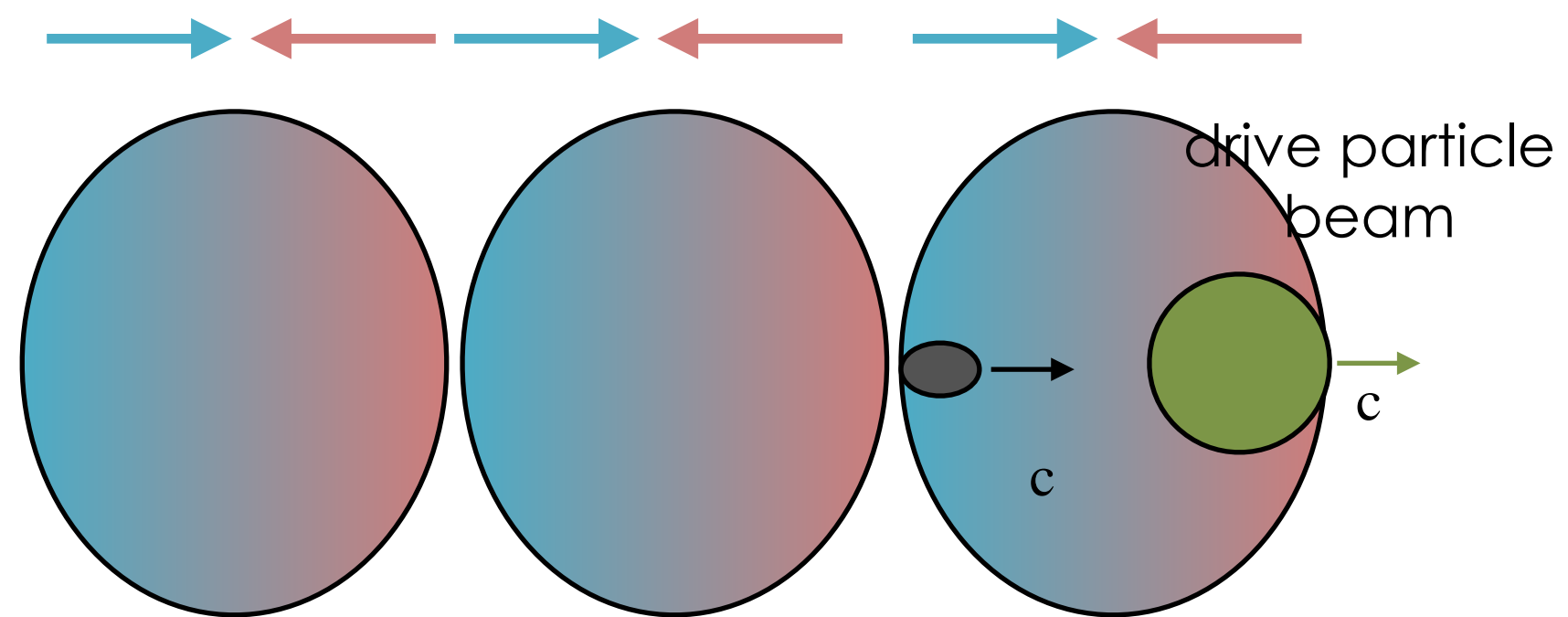
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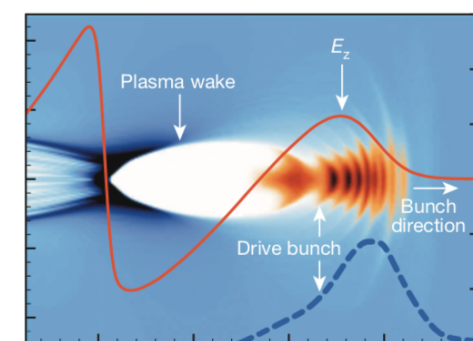
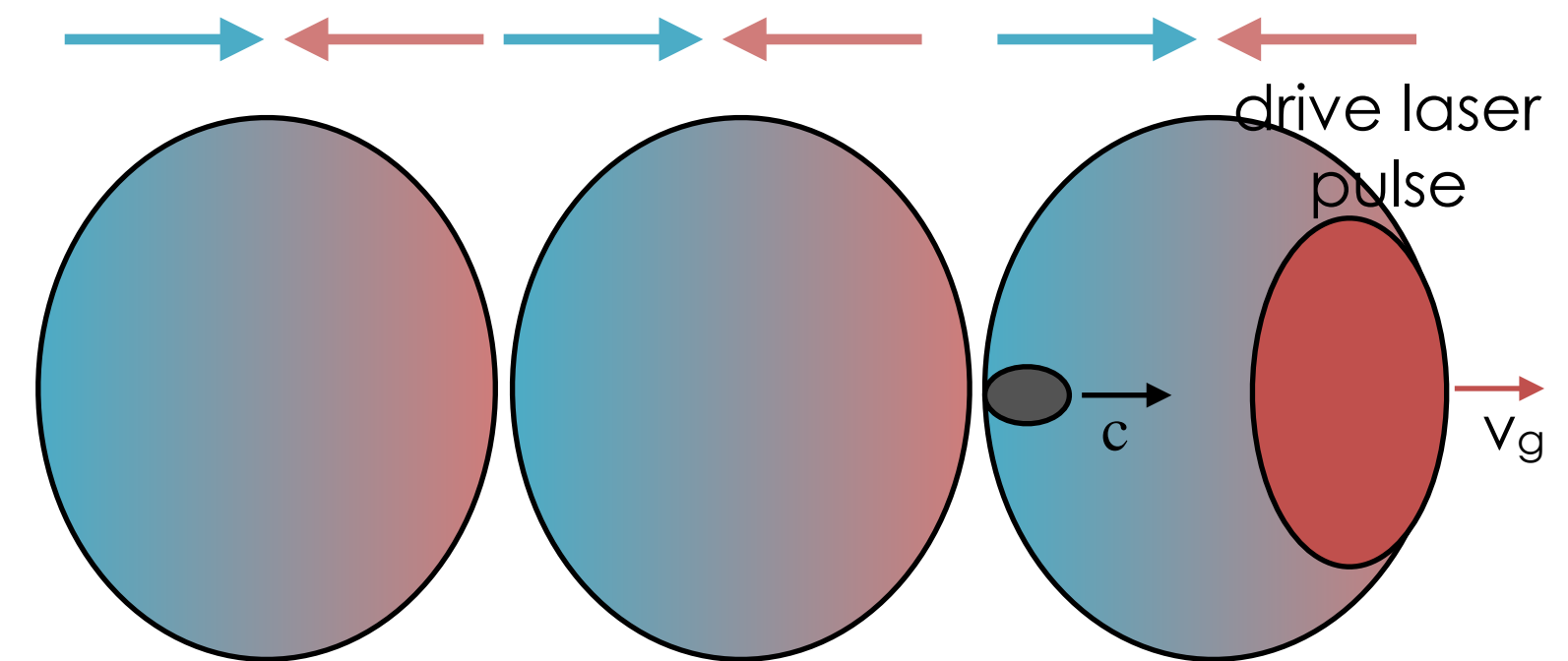
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Particle acceleration in plasma

Plasma Wakefield Accelerator (PWFA)



Laser Wakefield Accelerator (LWFA)



No dephasing and diffraction
 Much more stable wakefield
 Perspective for high-brightness beam generation
 High energy efficiency and high rep rates

Limited acceleration length
 Large shot-to-shot fluctuations of laser intensity profile in the plasma [S. Corde et al., Nat. Comm. 4, 1501 (2013)], and therefore of the wakefield
 Optical tools readily available

Synergies between LWFA and PWFA - staging

- LWFA electron beams as injectors for PWFA: interesting but difficult to implement in reality, requires matured LWFA
- LWFA electron beams as drivers for PWFA: easier because spectral quality and matching is not critical
- Brightness transformer concept: generating higher brightness electron beams and light sources in a laser lab
- Complementary PWFA physics platform with optical tools from laser lab

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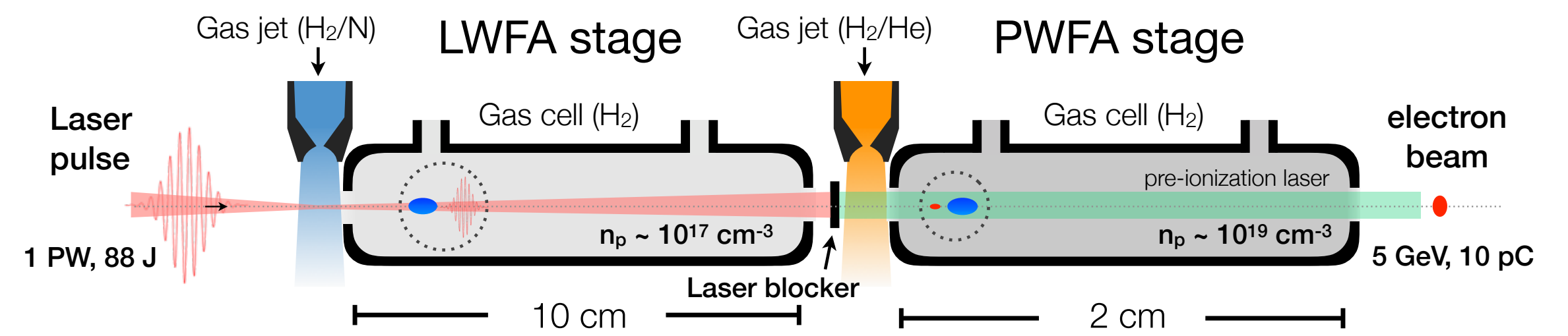
Research

Hybrid LWFA–PWFA staging as a beam energy and brightness transformer: conceptual design and simulations

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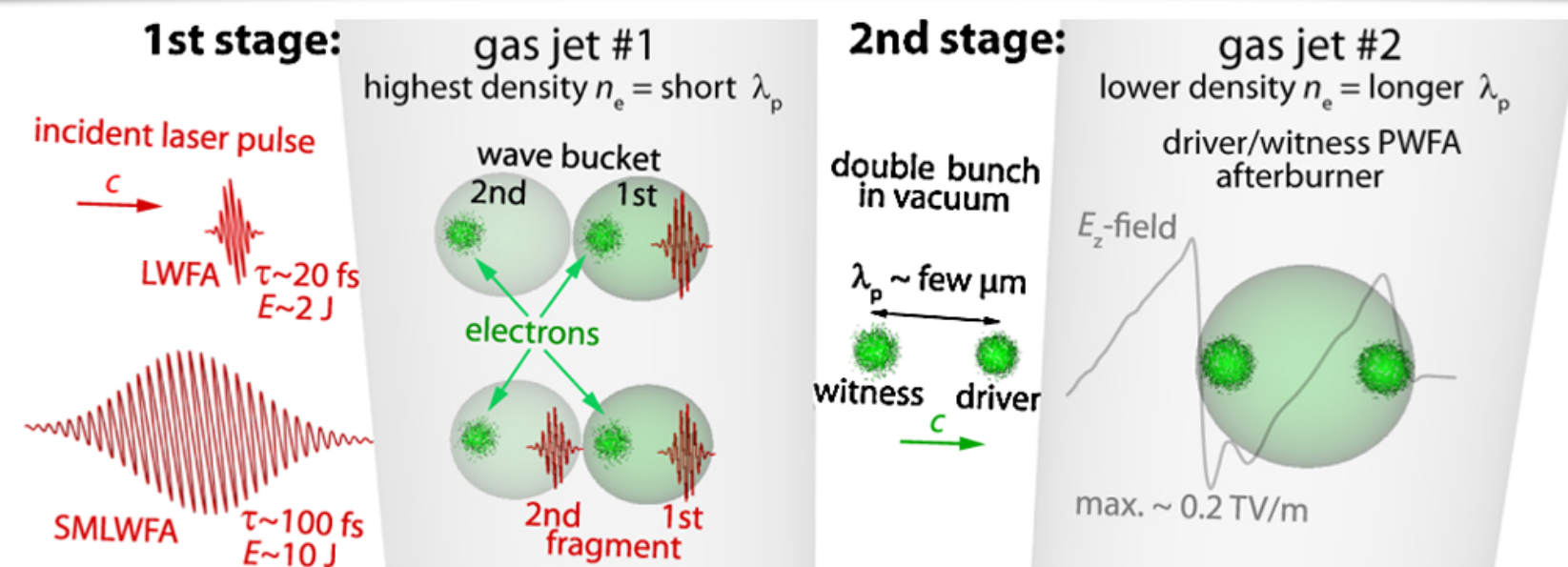
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Energy spread	10%	3%
Sliced energy spread	10%	0.1%
Normalized emittance	15 μm	0.1 μm
Duration (fwhm)	18 fs	0.8 fs
Current	10 kA	15 kA
Brightness	0.044 kA/ μm^2	1500 kA/ μm^2

Pre-history of hybrid LWFA-PWFA collaboration

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Monoenergetic Energy Doubling in a Hybrid Laser-Plasma Wakefield Accelerator

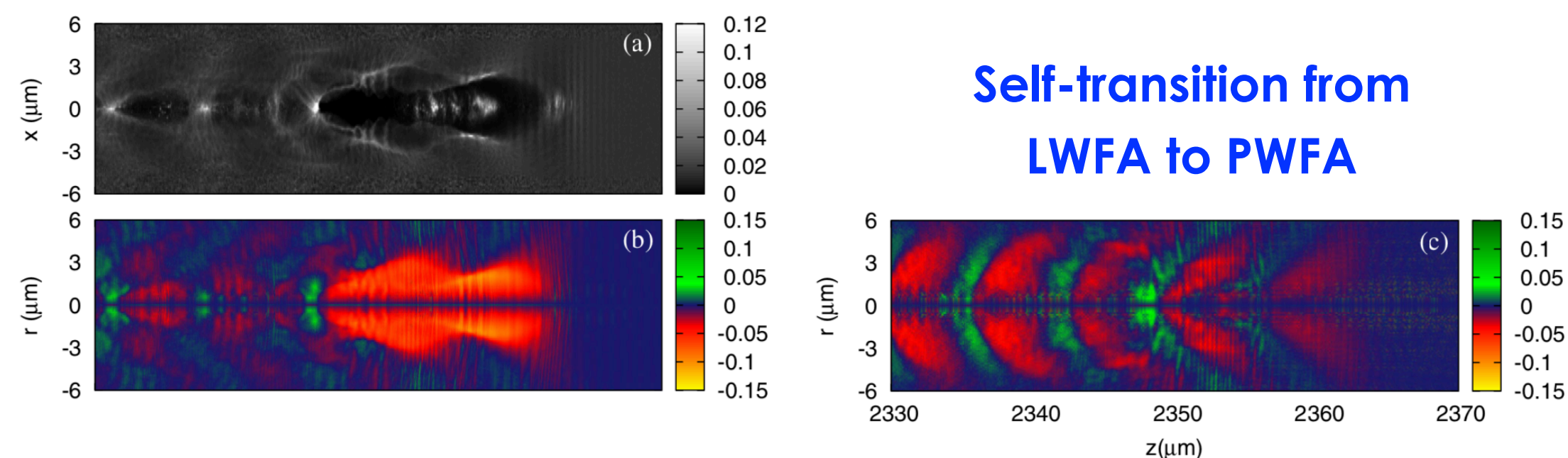
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Mapping the X-Ray Emission Region in a Laser-Plasma Accelerator

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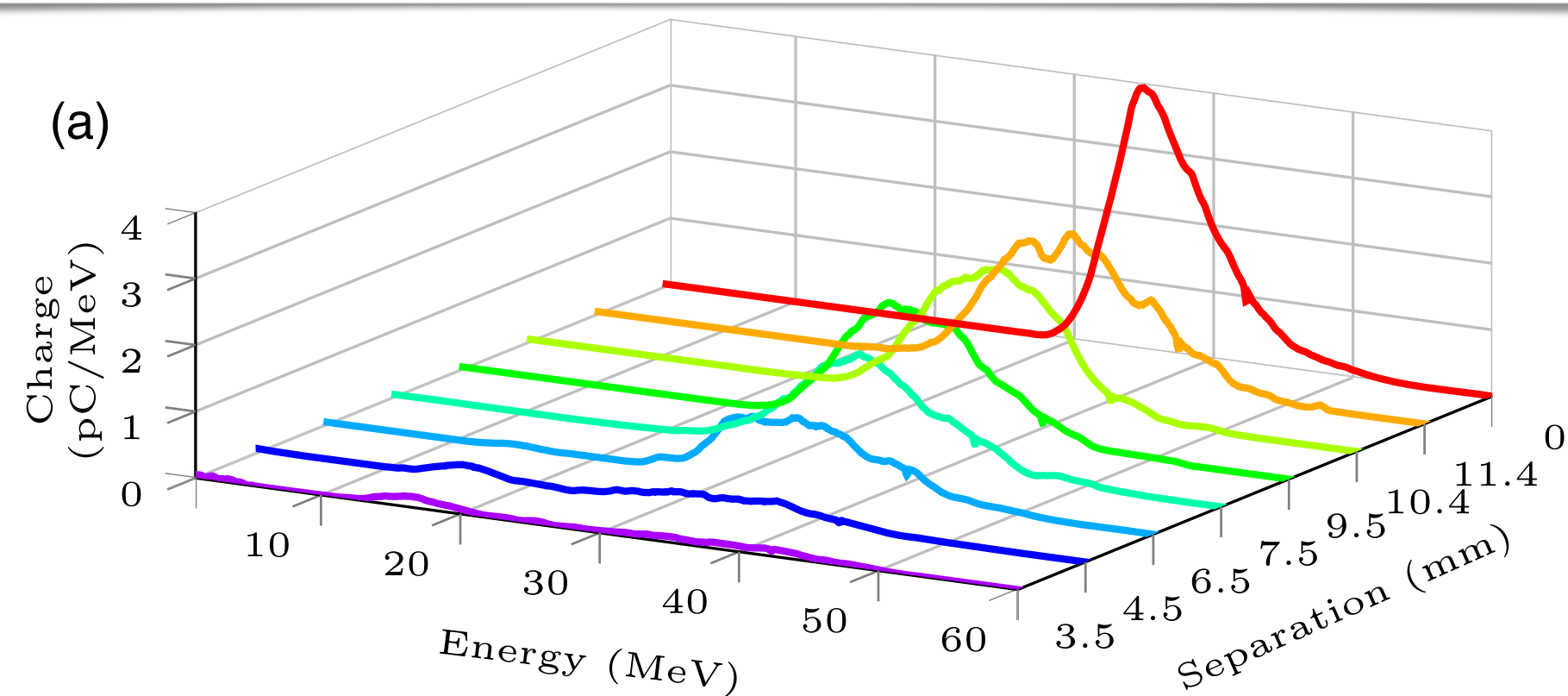


Self-transition from LWFA to PWFA

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Collective Deceleration of Laser-Driven Electron Bunches

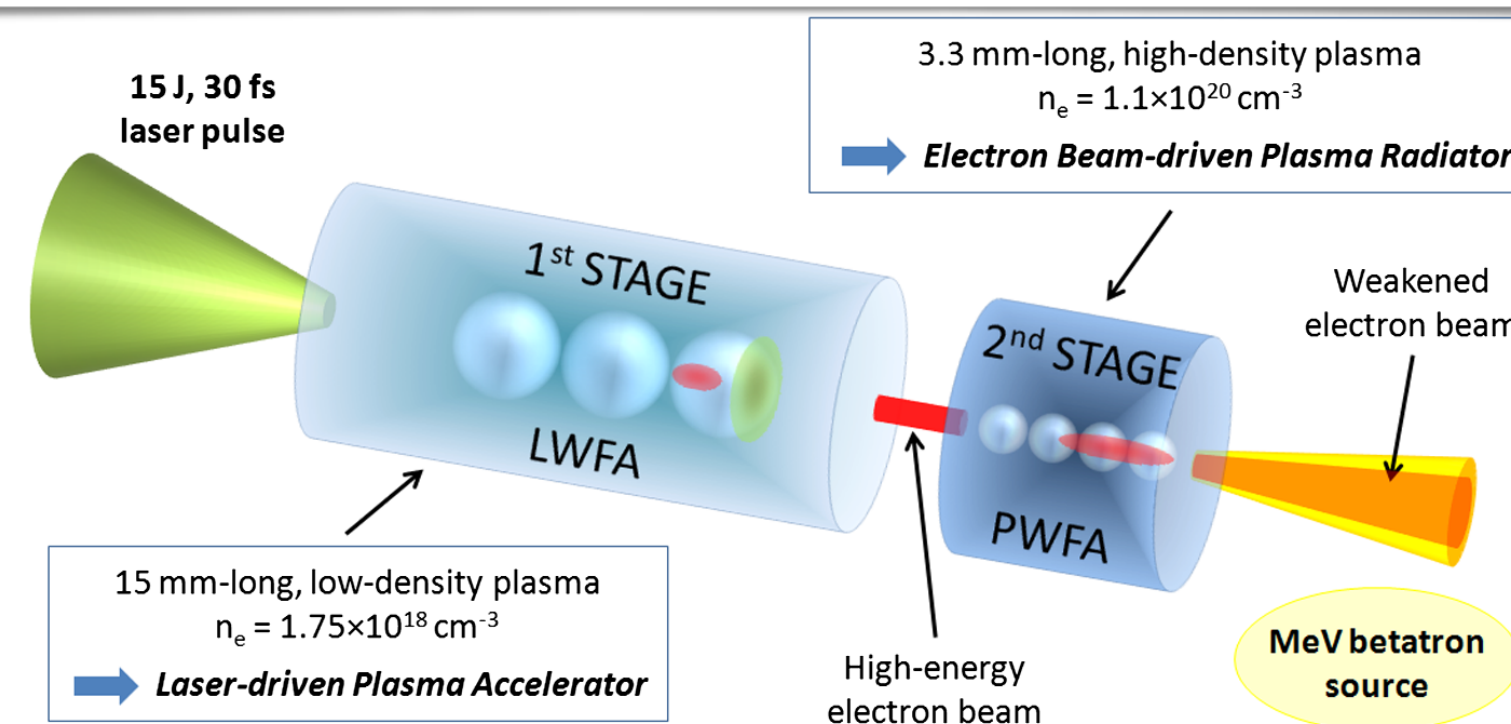
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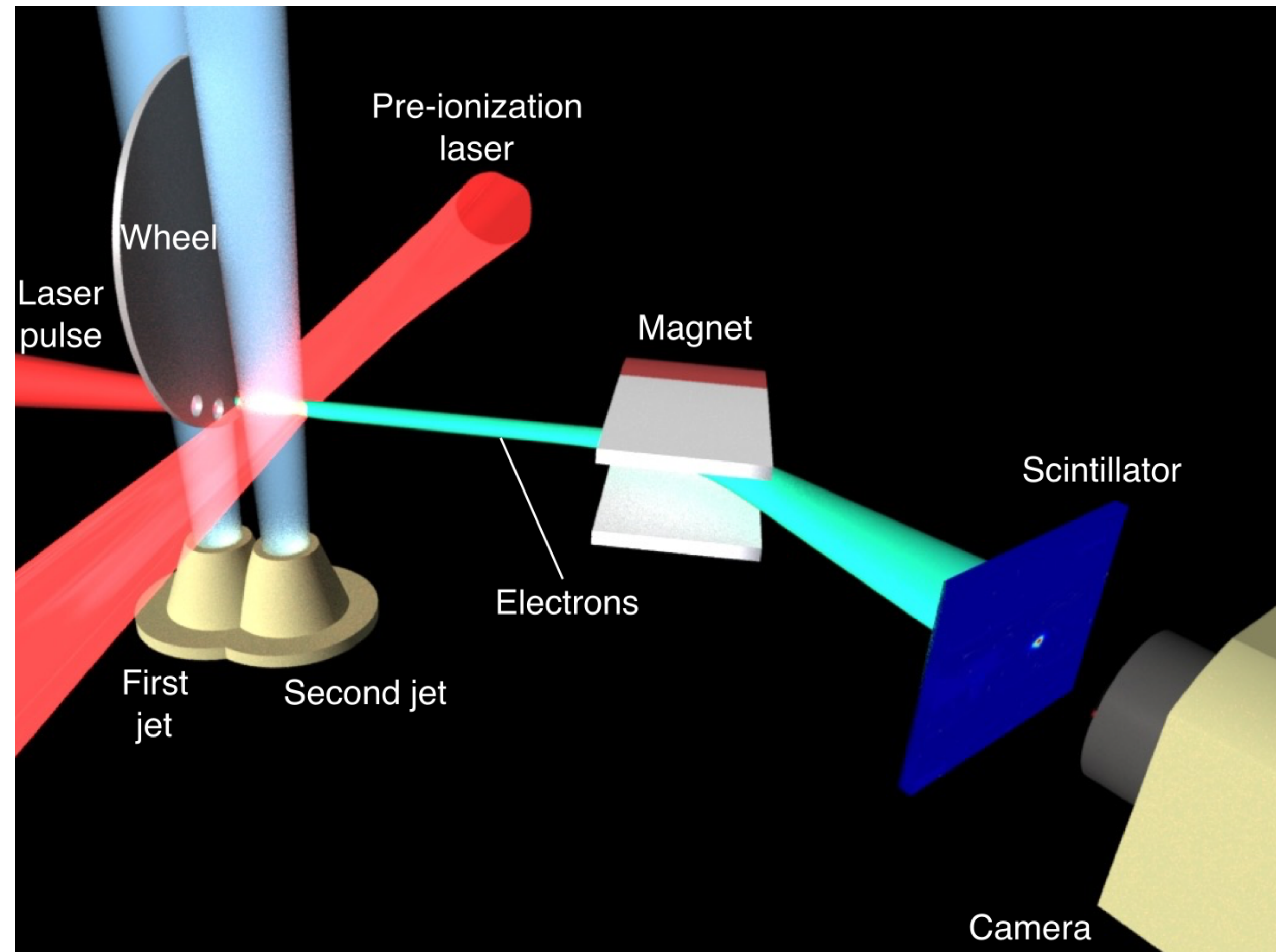
High-Brilliance Betatron γ -Ray Source Powered by Laser-Accelerated Electrons

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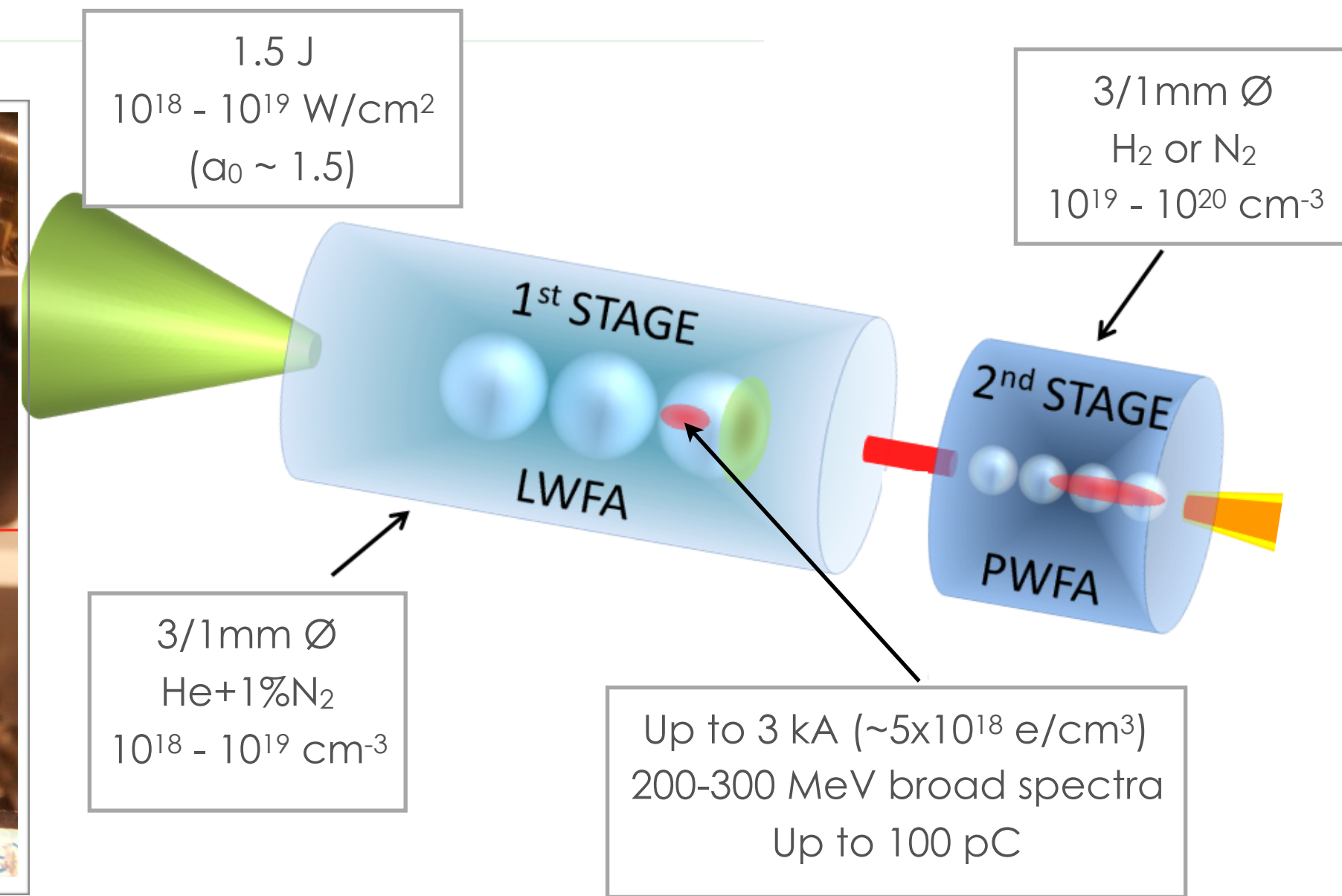
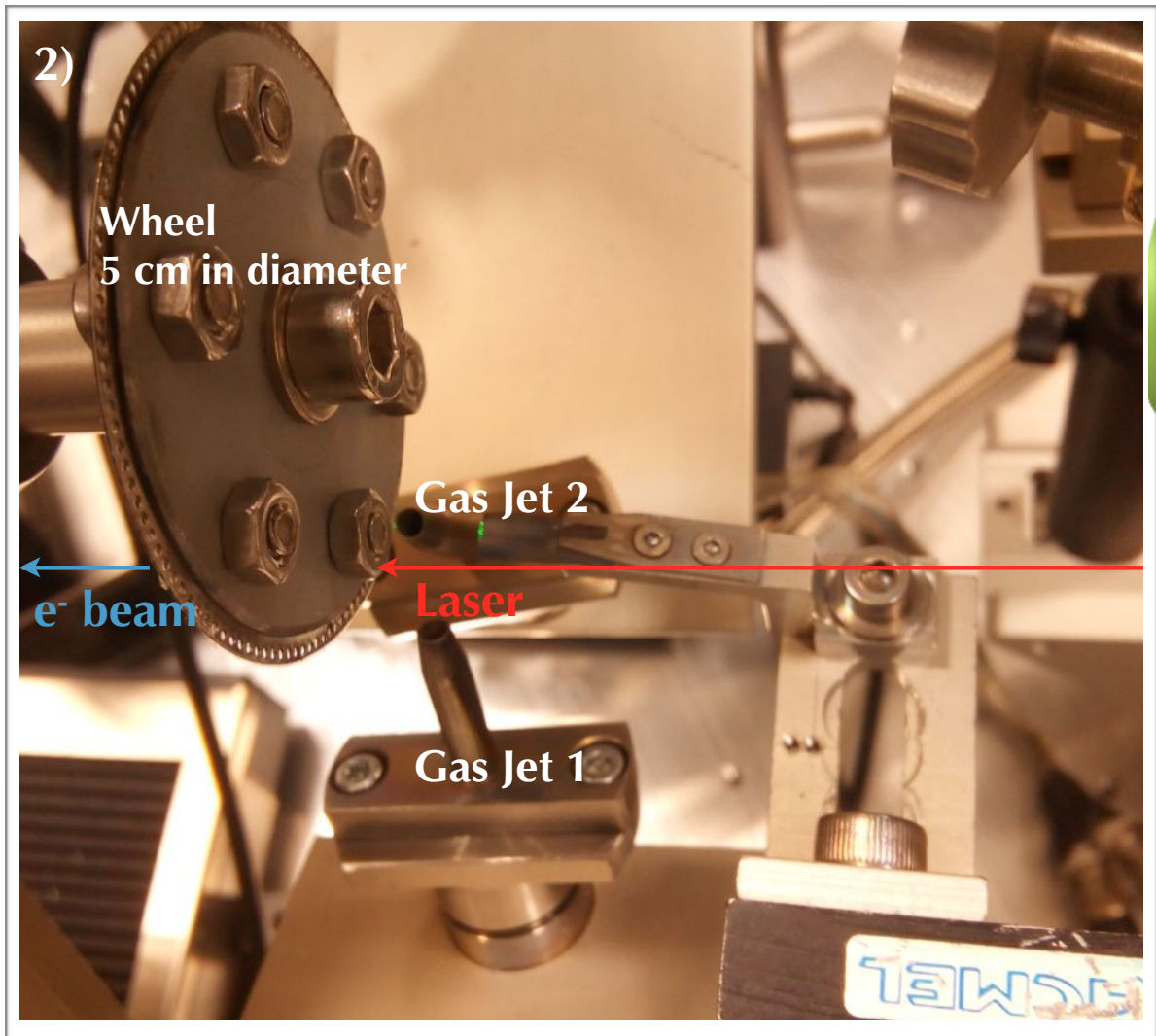
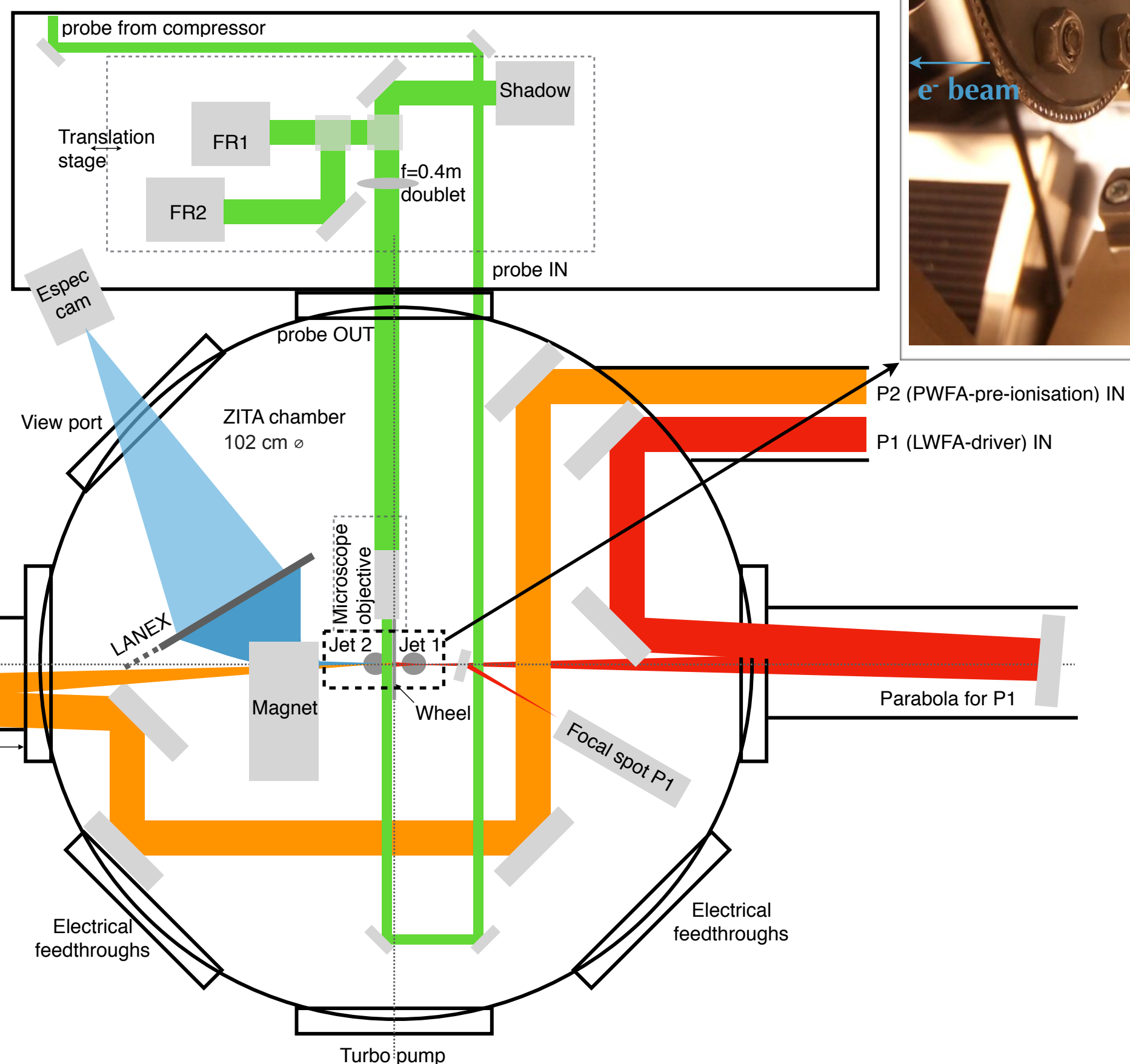
Experimental campaign in Salle Jaune (LOA)

Experimental concept:



Experimental campaign in Salle Jaune (LOA)

- Three independent laser pulses
- Stable electron beam production (ionization injection)
- Significant flexibility of experimental setup



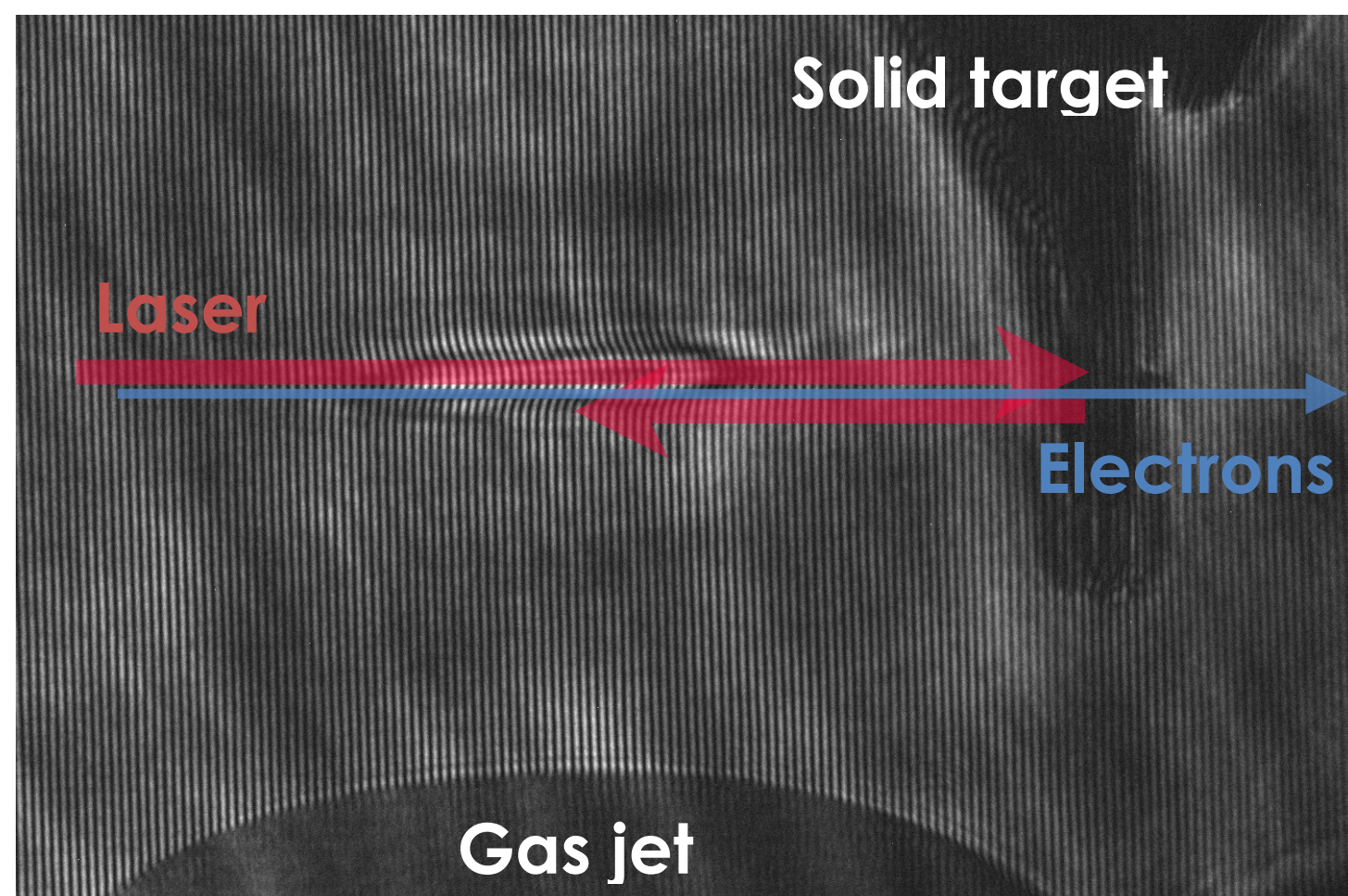
$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \omega_p^2 \right) \frac{\delta n}{n_0} = c^2 \frac{\nabla^2 a^2}{2} - \omega_p^2 \frac{n_b}{n_0}$$

$$n_b/n_0 \sim 10^{18} - 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3} / 10^{19} - 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3} \sim 10\%$$

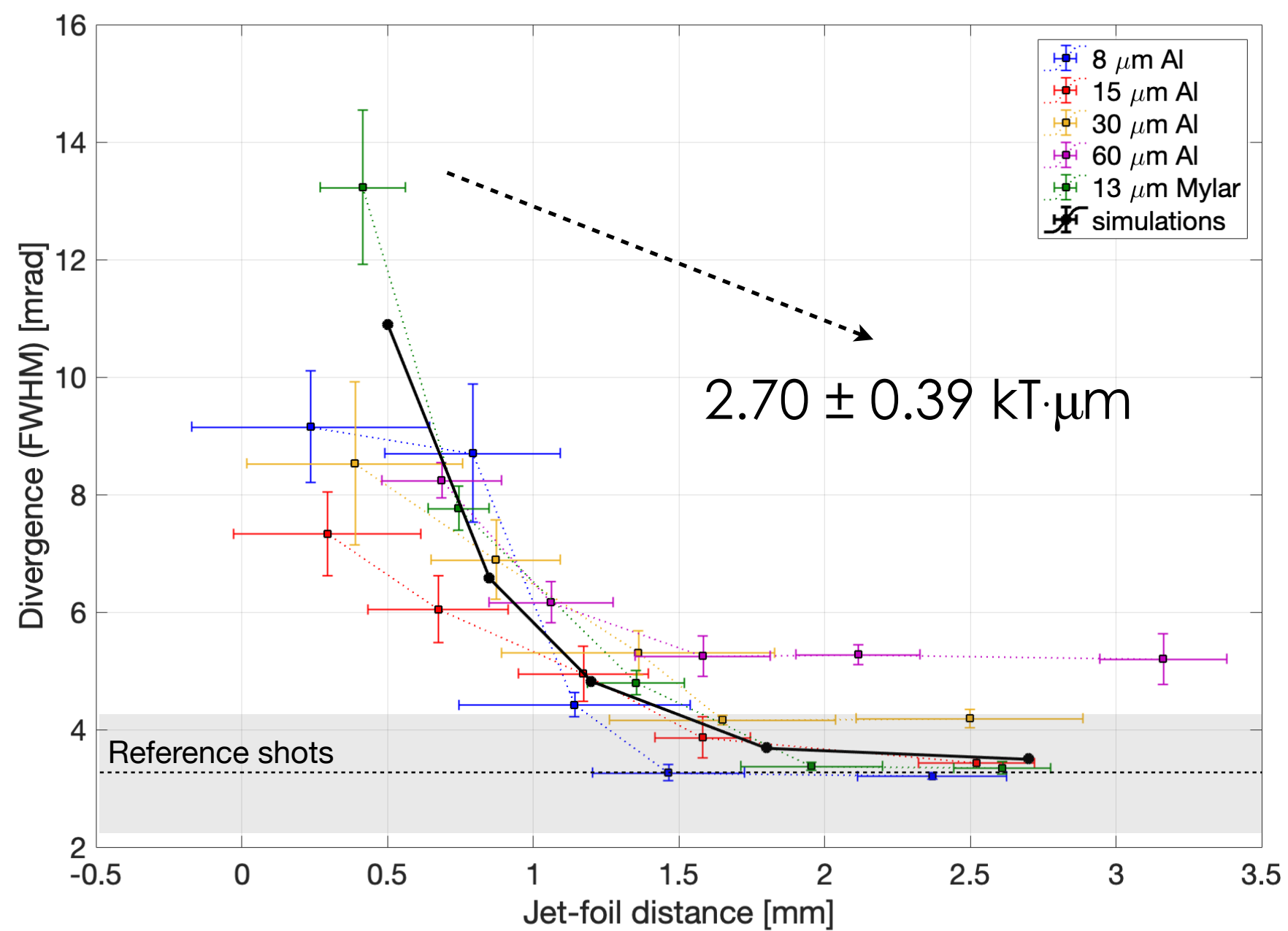
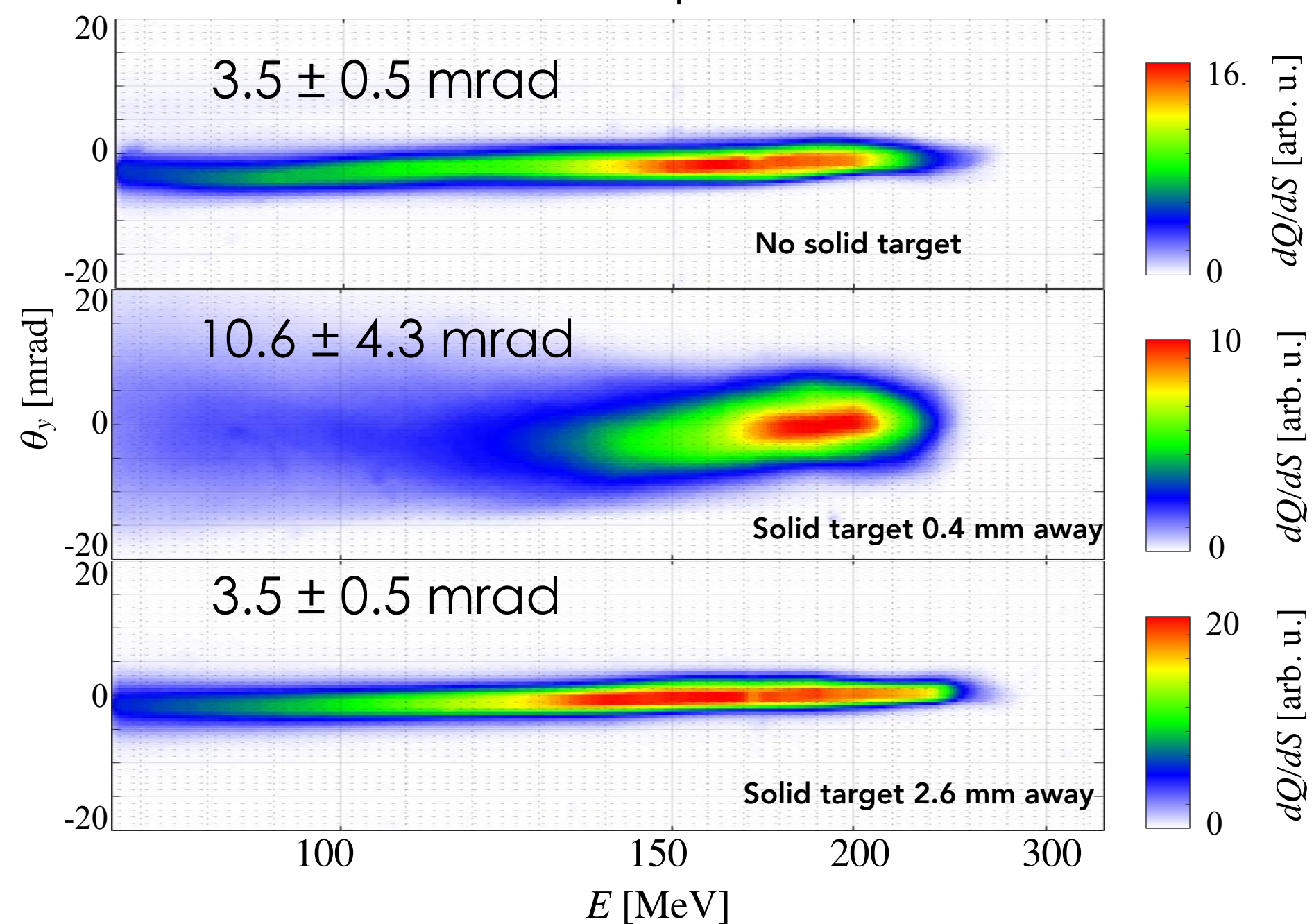
Strong self-focusing required in order to drive a non-linear wake

Interaction of the electron beam with irradiated foil

Side view interferometry



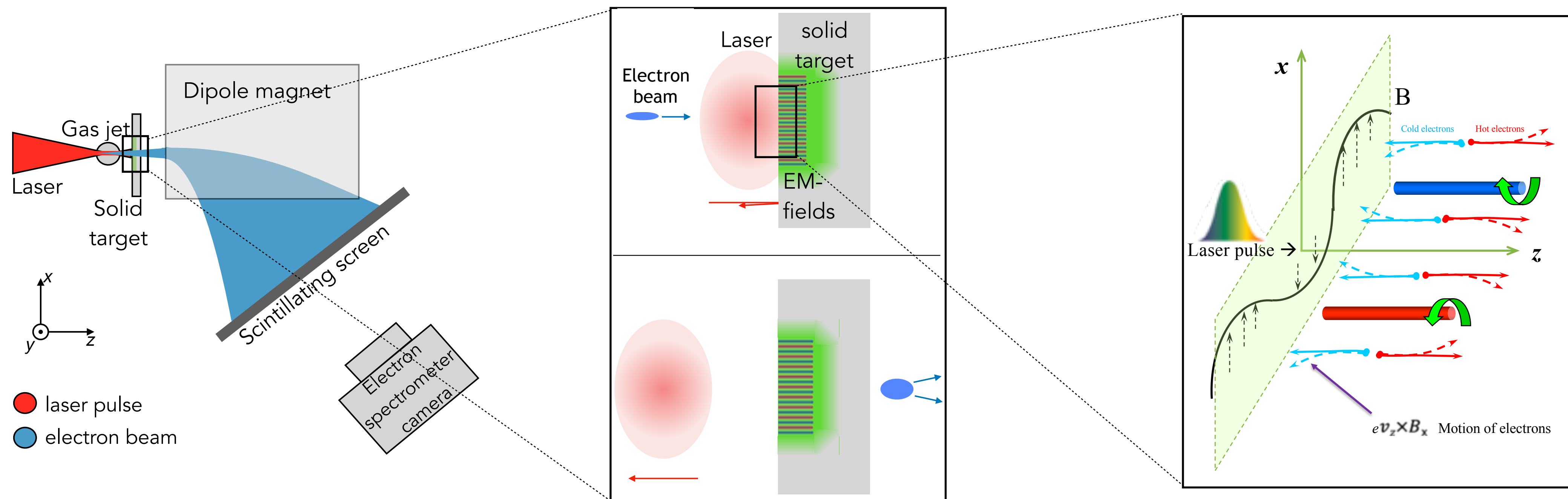
Electron spectra



- Sensitive to the jet-foil distance \rightarrow cannot be described by the scattering
- Effect of reflected laser ruled out
- Behaves similarly for different target thicknesses \rightarrow effect is happening only within limited penetration depth (in the vicinity of the surface of the solid target)

Current filamentation instability in hybrid accelerator

- After LWFA stage, laser is incident on the surface of the solid target, creating plasma with overcritical density
- Plasma mirror reflects the laser, letting the relativistic electron beam to pass through
- Electron beam after passing the solid target propagates towards the electron spectrometer



- Laser deposits energy within the skin depth
- This energy is transformed into distribution of hot electrons
- Current of hot electrons into the target triggers return current of the cold electrons from plasma
- Anisotropic system that is unstable to current filamentation instability

3D CALDER simulation of current filamentation instability

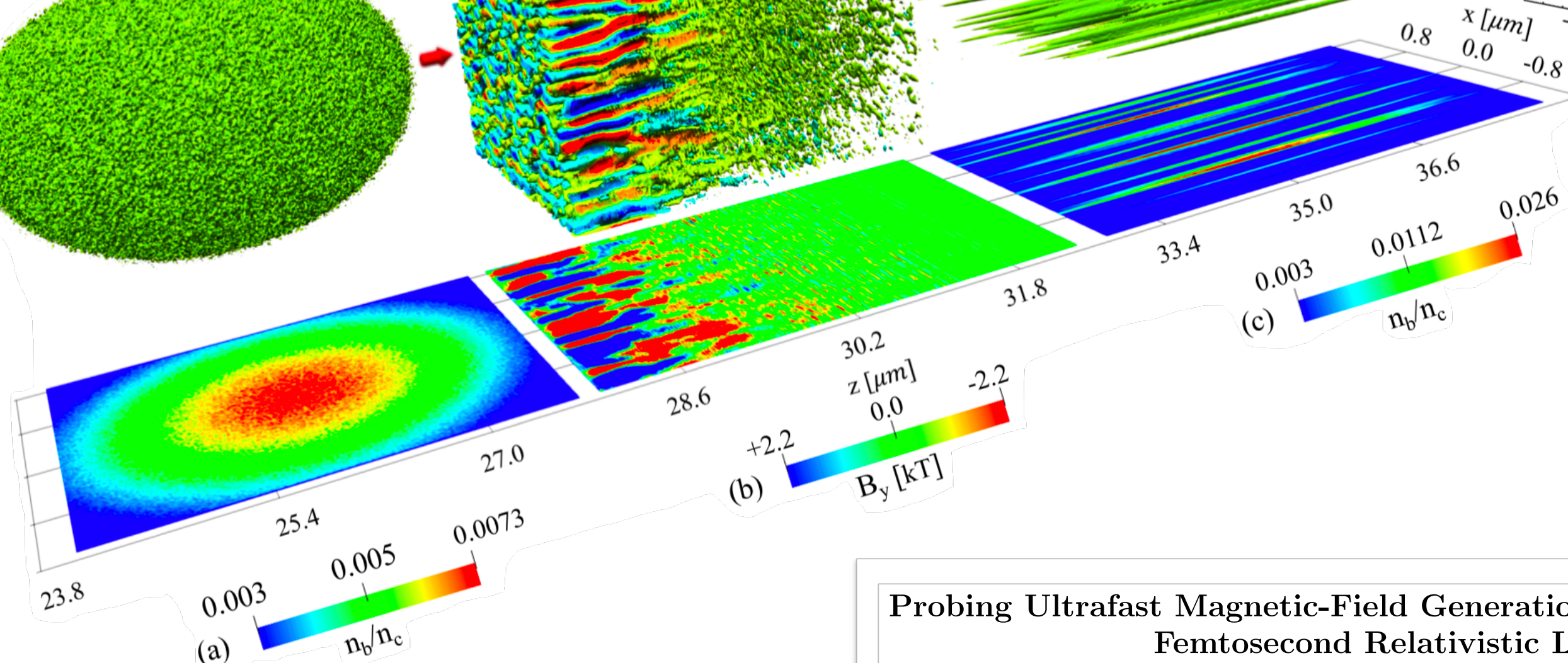
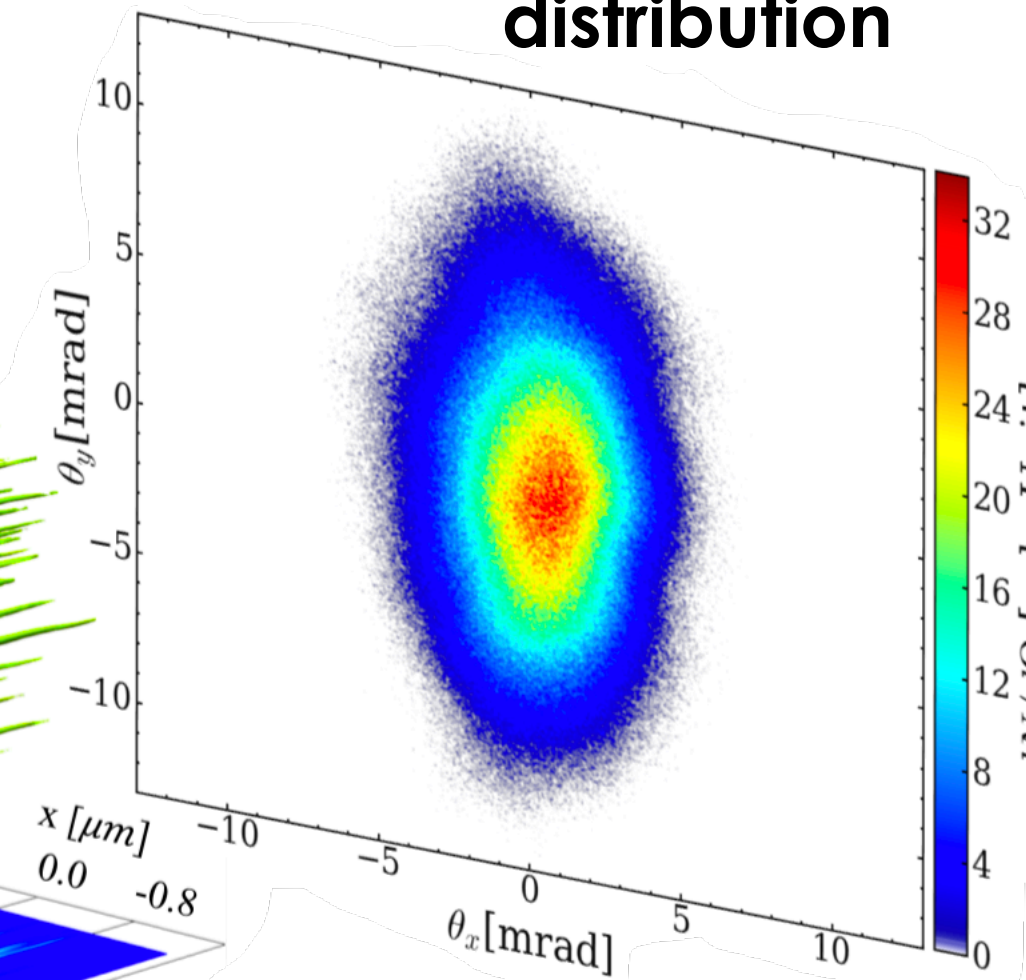
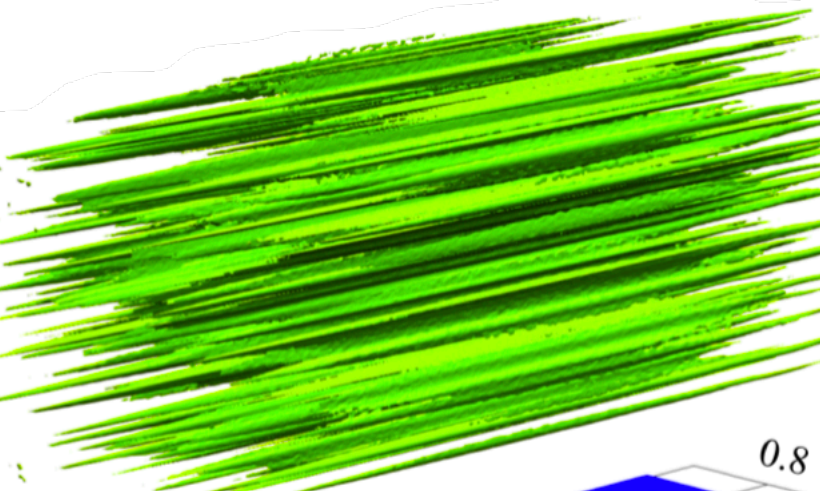
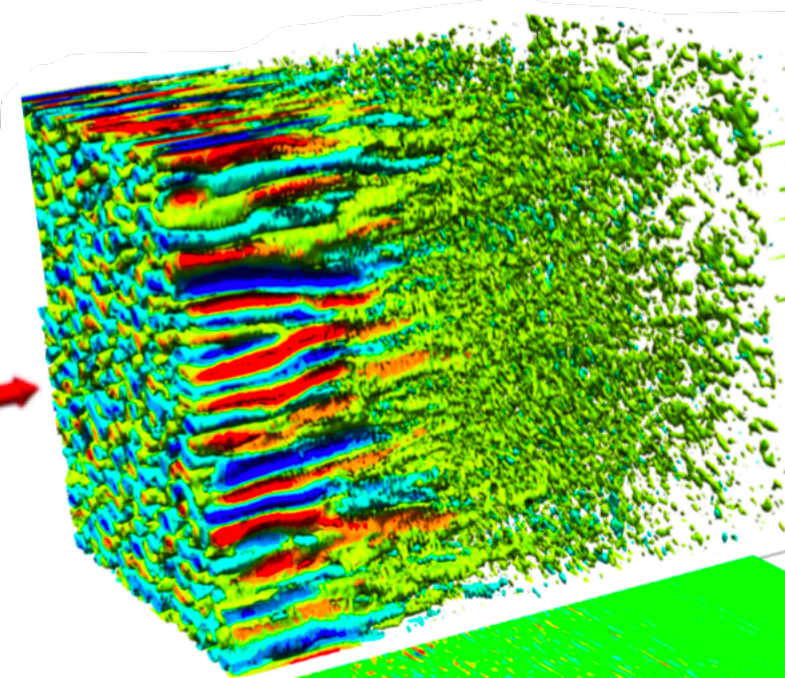
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Electron beam before interaction

EM-fields in solid target

Modulated electron beam

Electron angular distribution

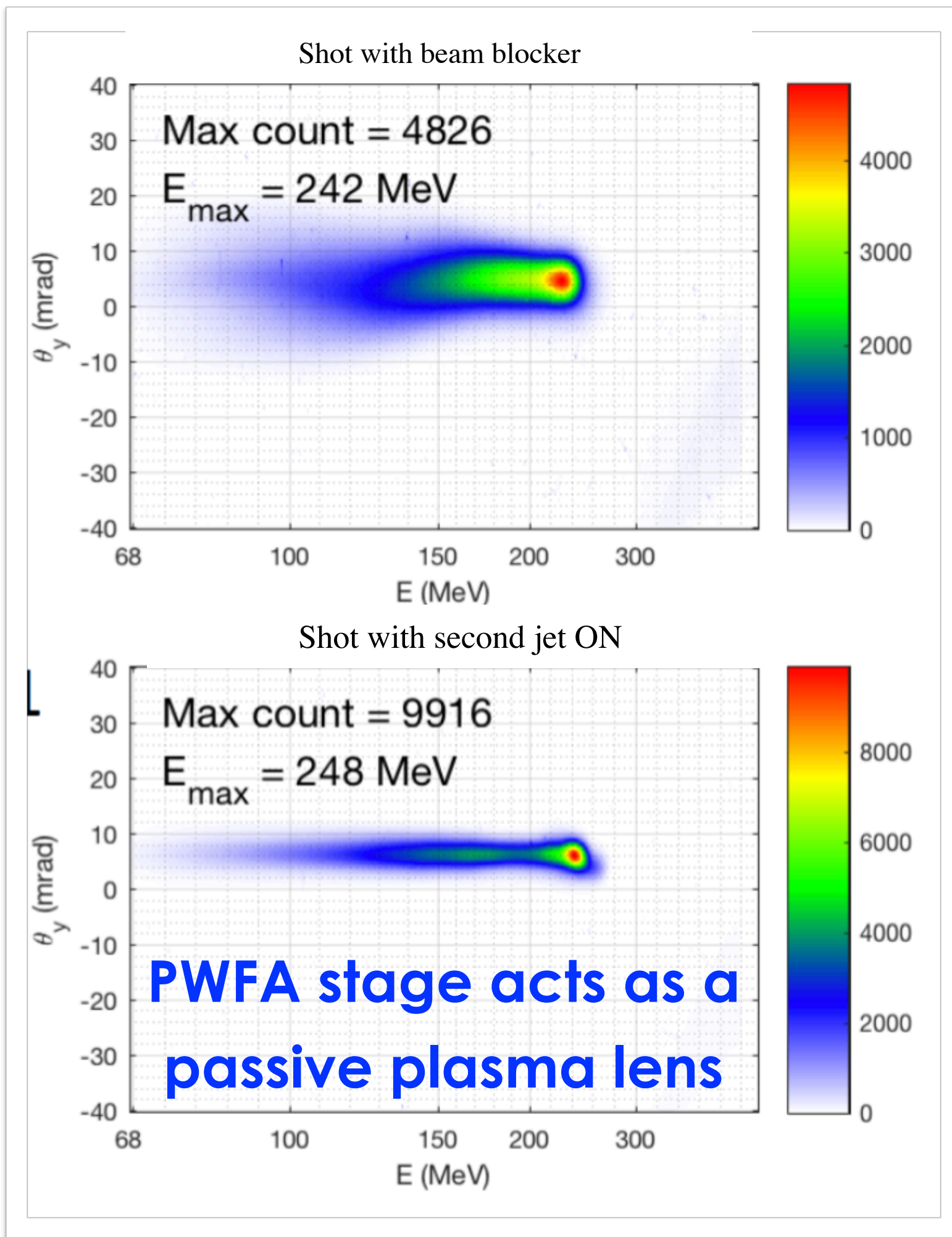


- Few kT.μm integrated magnetic field
- Sub -μm transverse modulations
- Sub-μm length of the filaments

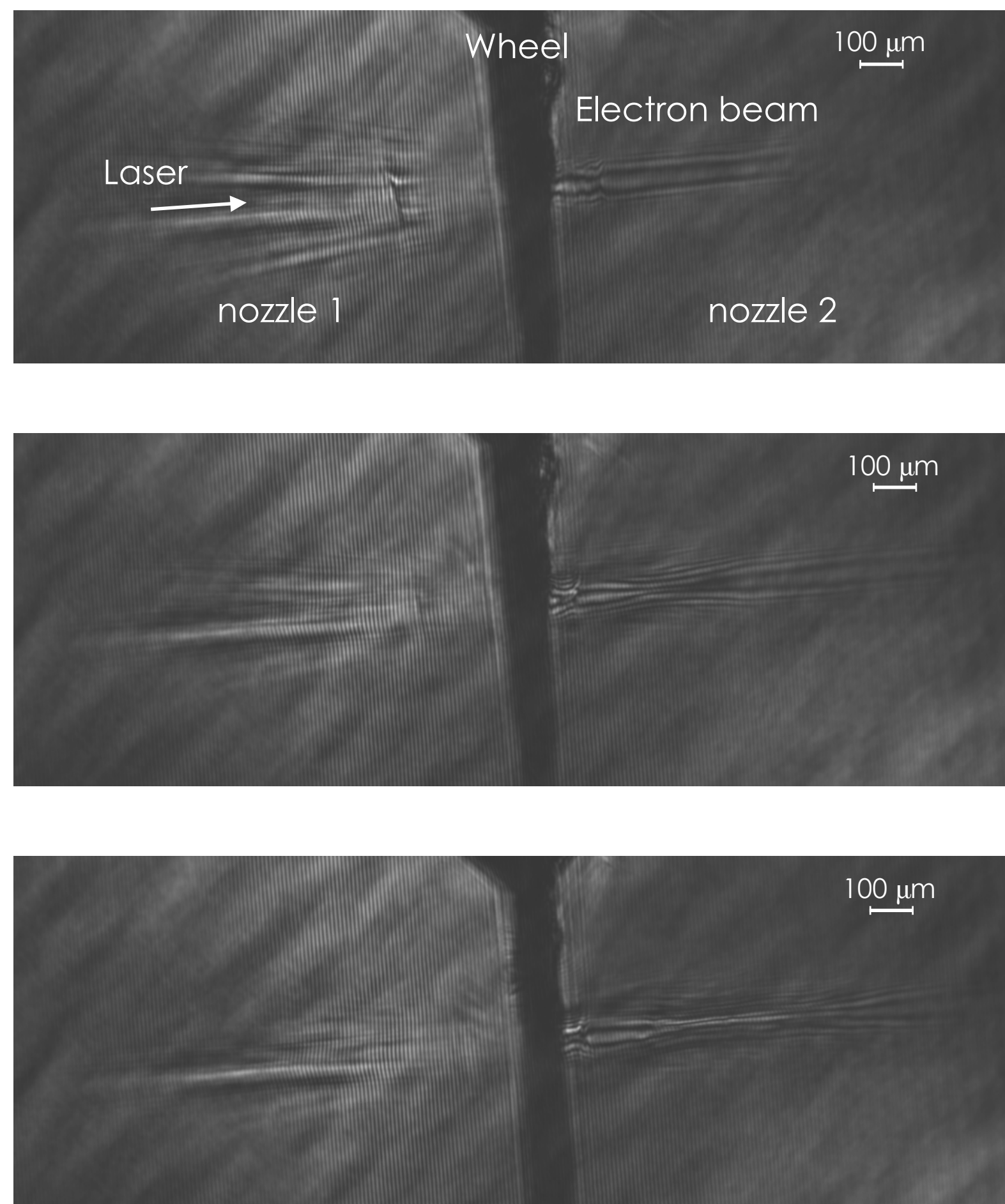
Probing Ultrafast Magnetic-Field Generation by Current Filamentation Instability in Femtosecond Relativistic Laser-Matter Interactions

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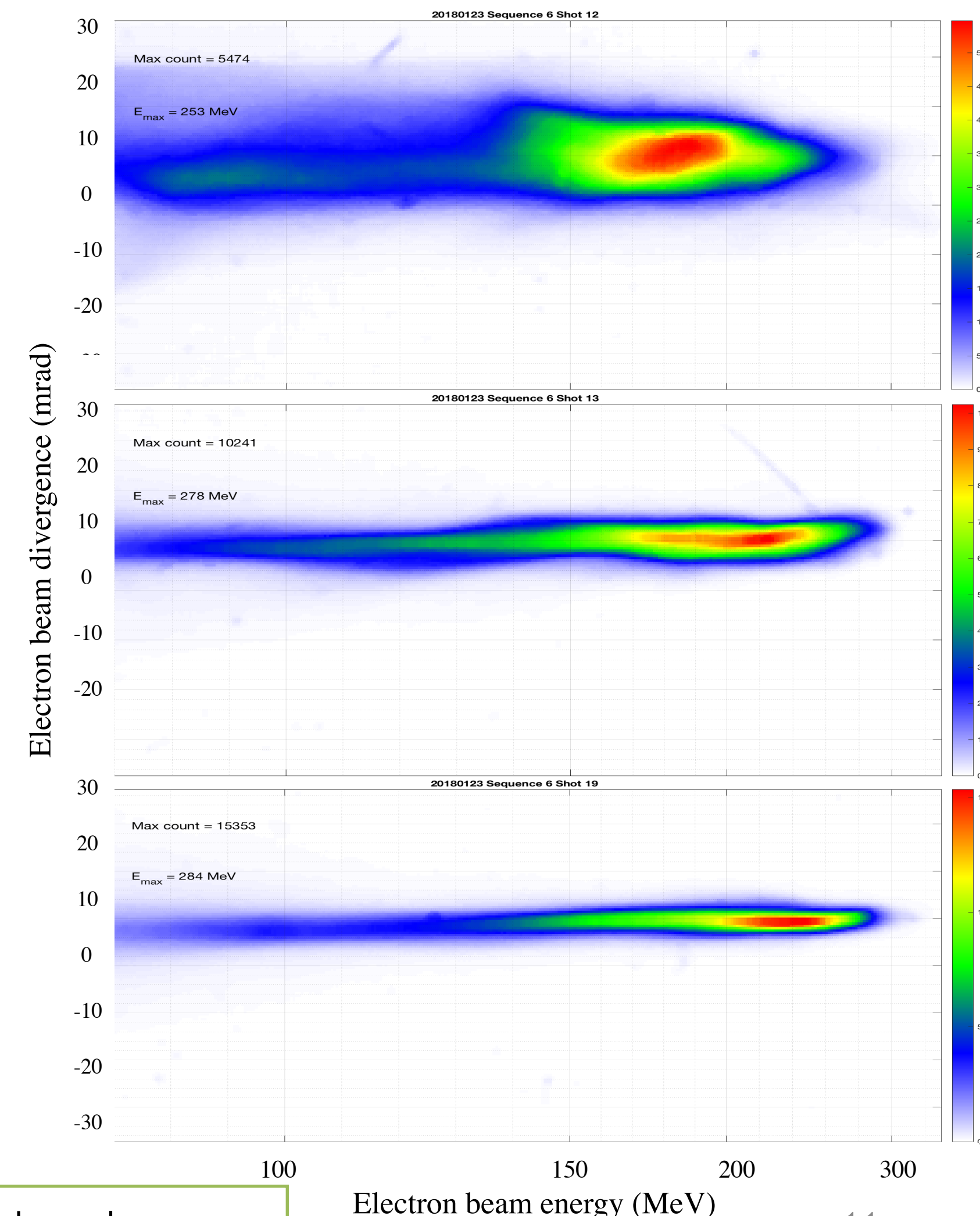
LWFA electron beams in second PWFA jet



Side view interferometry



Electron spectroscopy

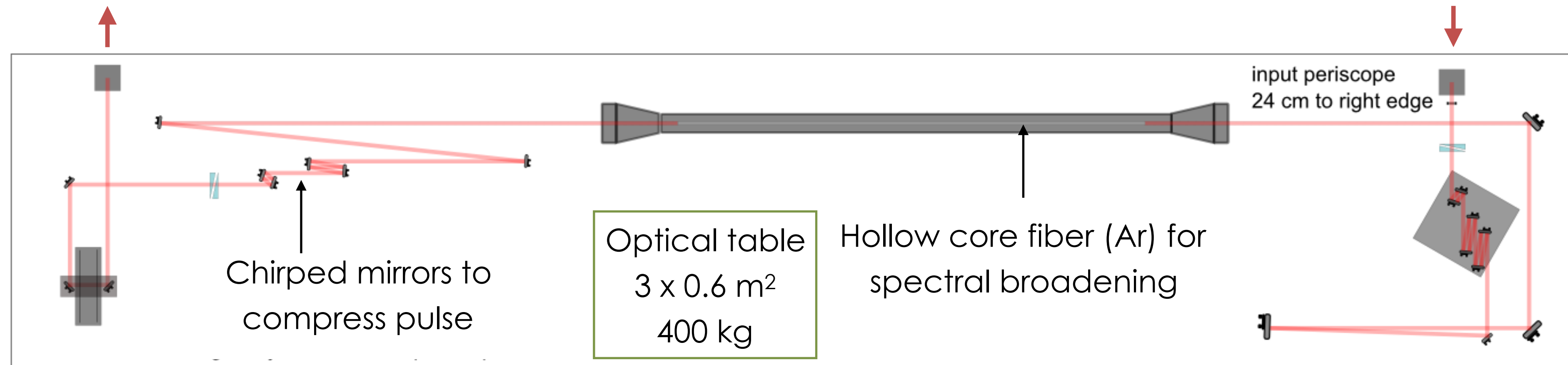


Plasma wave, excited by electron bunch in the second stage, works as a lens for electron beam

Few cycle optical probe for plasma wave imaging

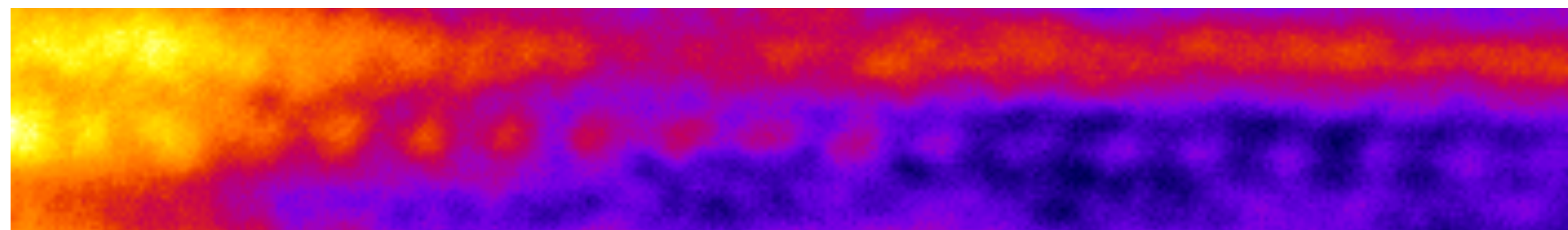
Output laser: ~ 10 fs, 800 ± 250 nm

Input laser: 30 fs, 800 ± 40 nm



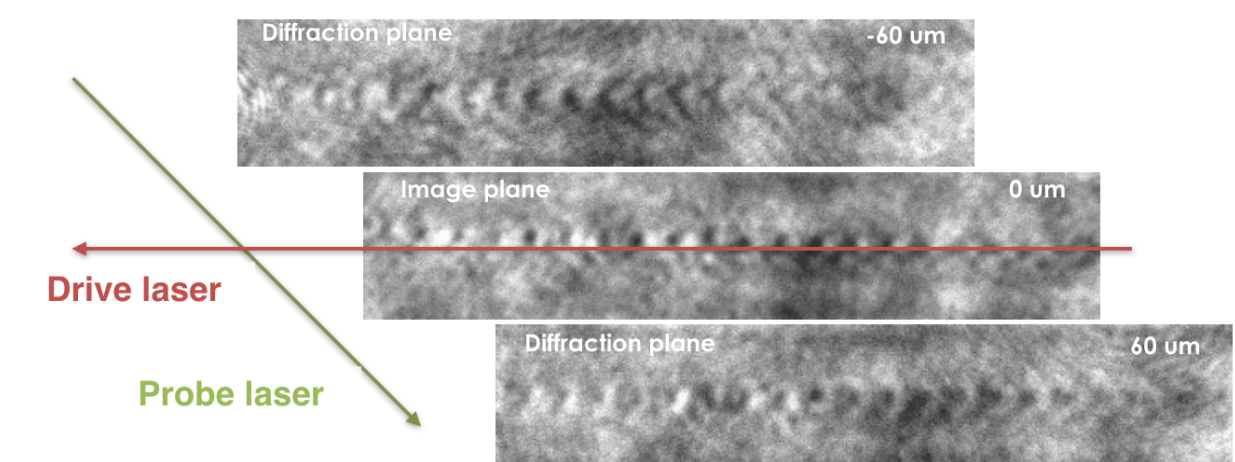
- Spectral broadening in hollow core fibre filled with Argon (self-phase modulation)
- Compression using chirped mirrors
- Transverse probing of the plasma wave with variable delay
- Imaging onto cameras using achromatic microscope (x10) objective and lens

One of the first LWFA plasma wave shadowgraphy in SalleJaune

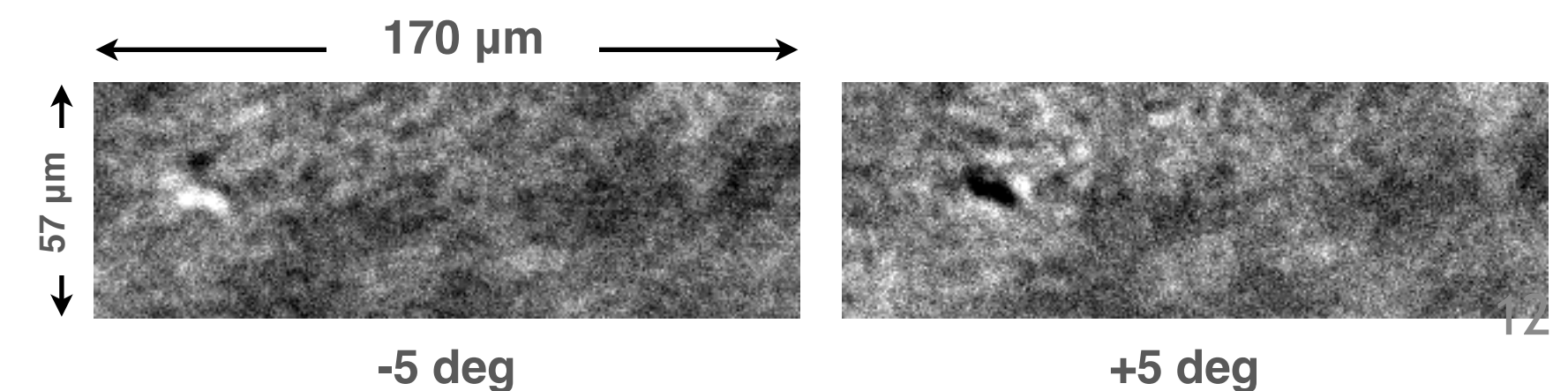


PWFA plasma wave too weak to be observed, Salle Jaune currently under upgrade to double the on-target laser energy to 2.5-3.5 J

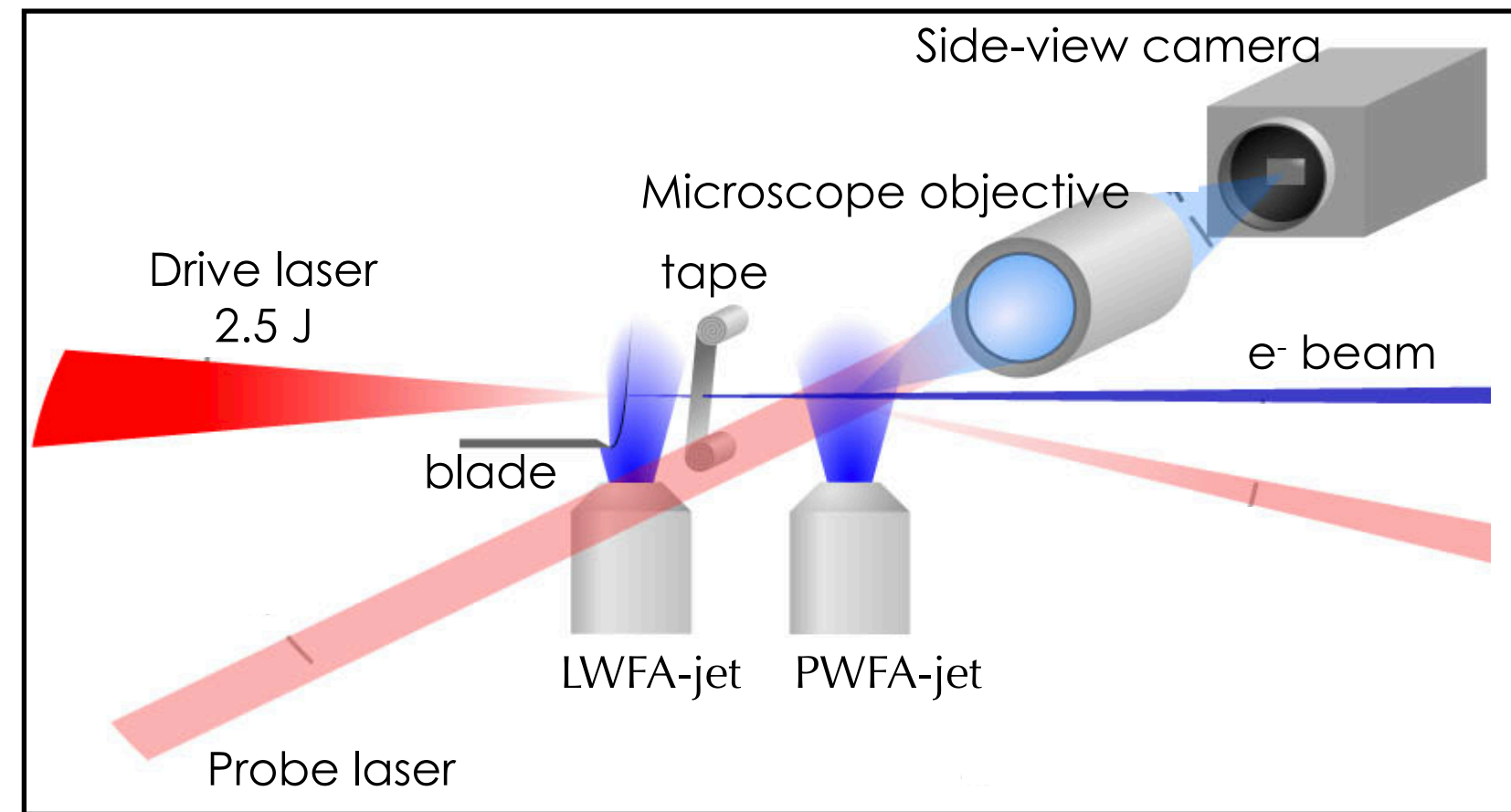
Multi-plane shadowgraphy



Faraday polarisation rotation - to detect the magnetic fields from plasma wave or electron beam



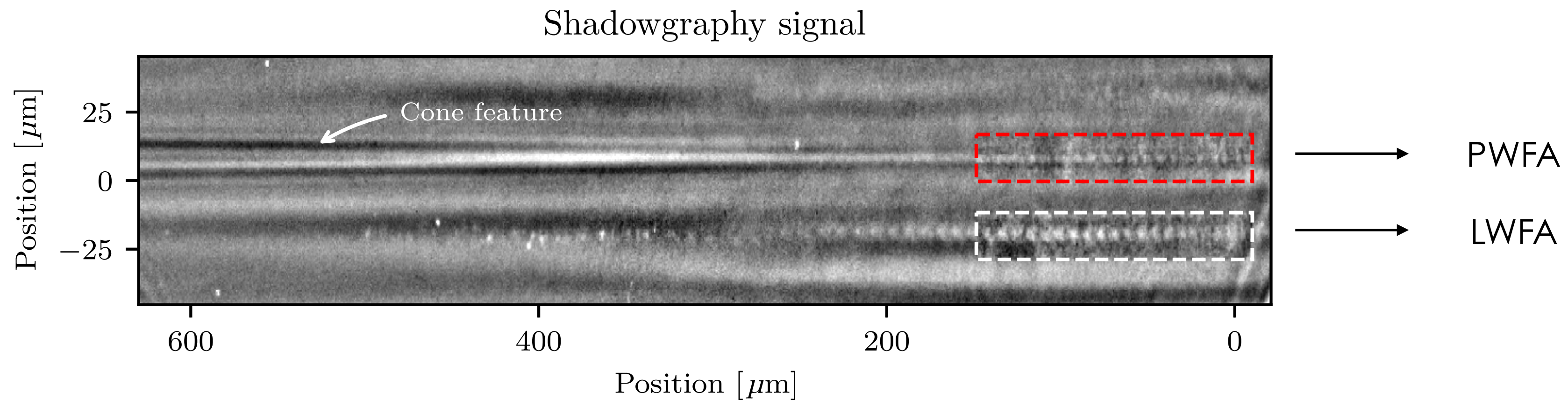
Study of PWFA plasma dynamics in hybrids (LMU)



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Direct Observation of Plasma Waves and Dynamics Induced by Laser-Accelerated Electron Beams

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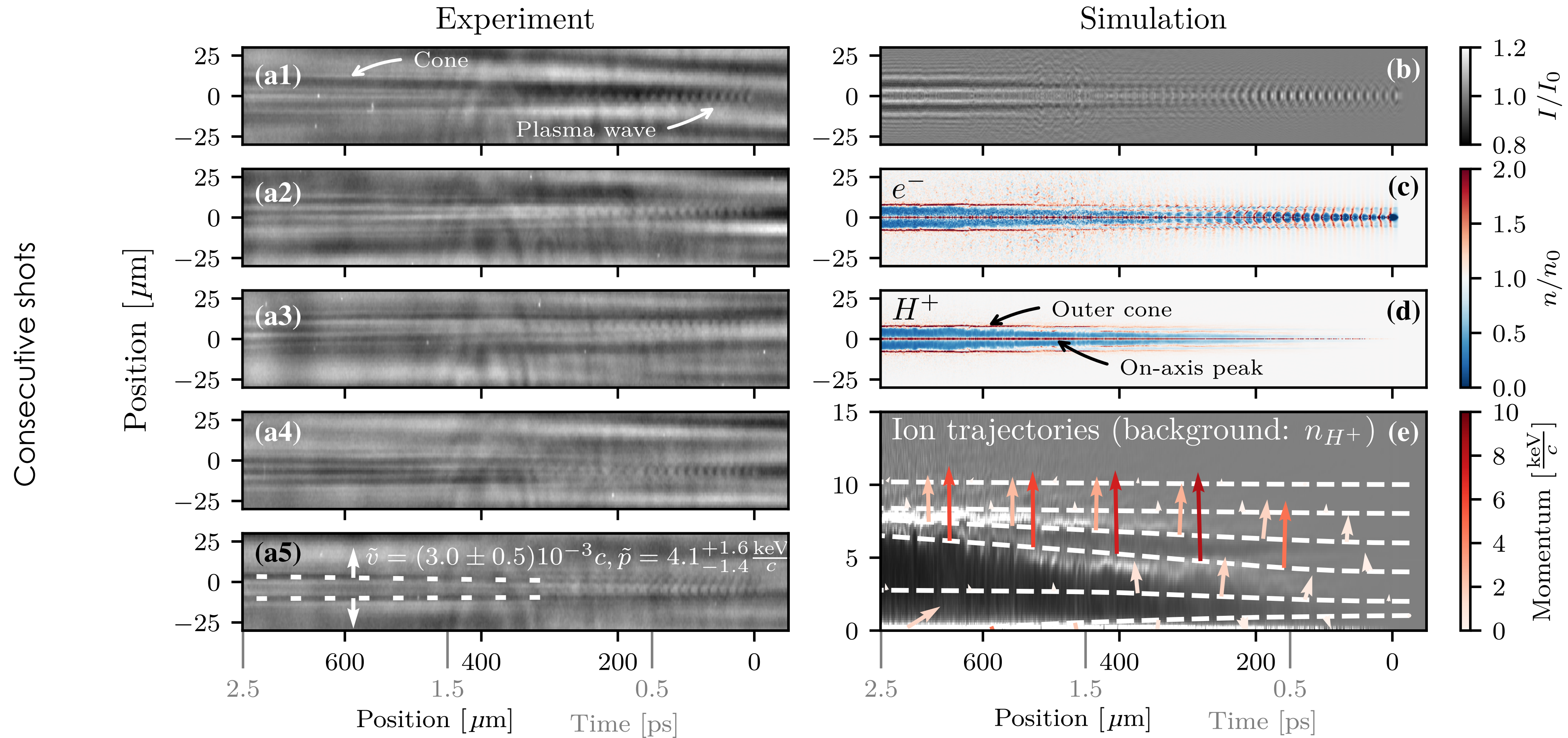


Shock injection:
 $Q = 200 \text{ pC}$
 $E = 150 \text{ MeV}$
 Divergence 0.6 mrad (FWHM)
 3 mm gap between jets

First direct observation of PWFA plasma waves

For PWFA plasma wave: strong plasma wave ponderomotive force acts on plasma ions causing their transverse expansion and a cone feature

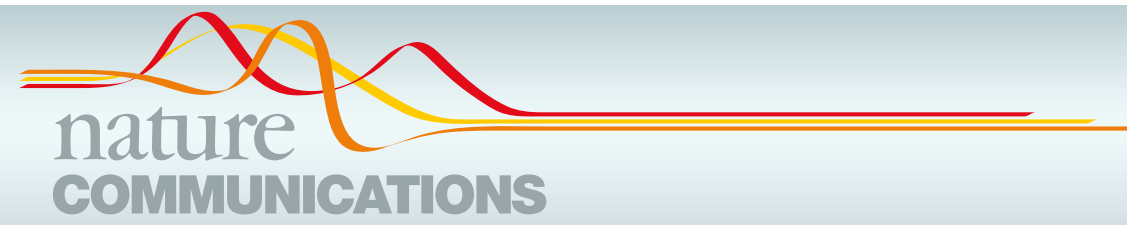
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Direct visualisation of PWFA-induced ion dynamics at ps time scales

Direct relationship to the talk from Thales Silva: self-generated hollow channels and associated ion dynamics can be visualised

High peak current driver from LWFA (HZDR)



Demonstration of a beam loaded nanocoulomb-class laser wakefield accelerator

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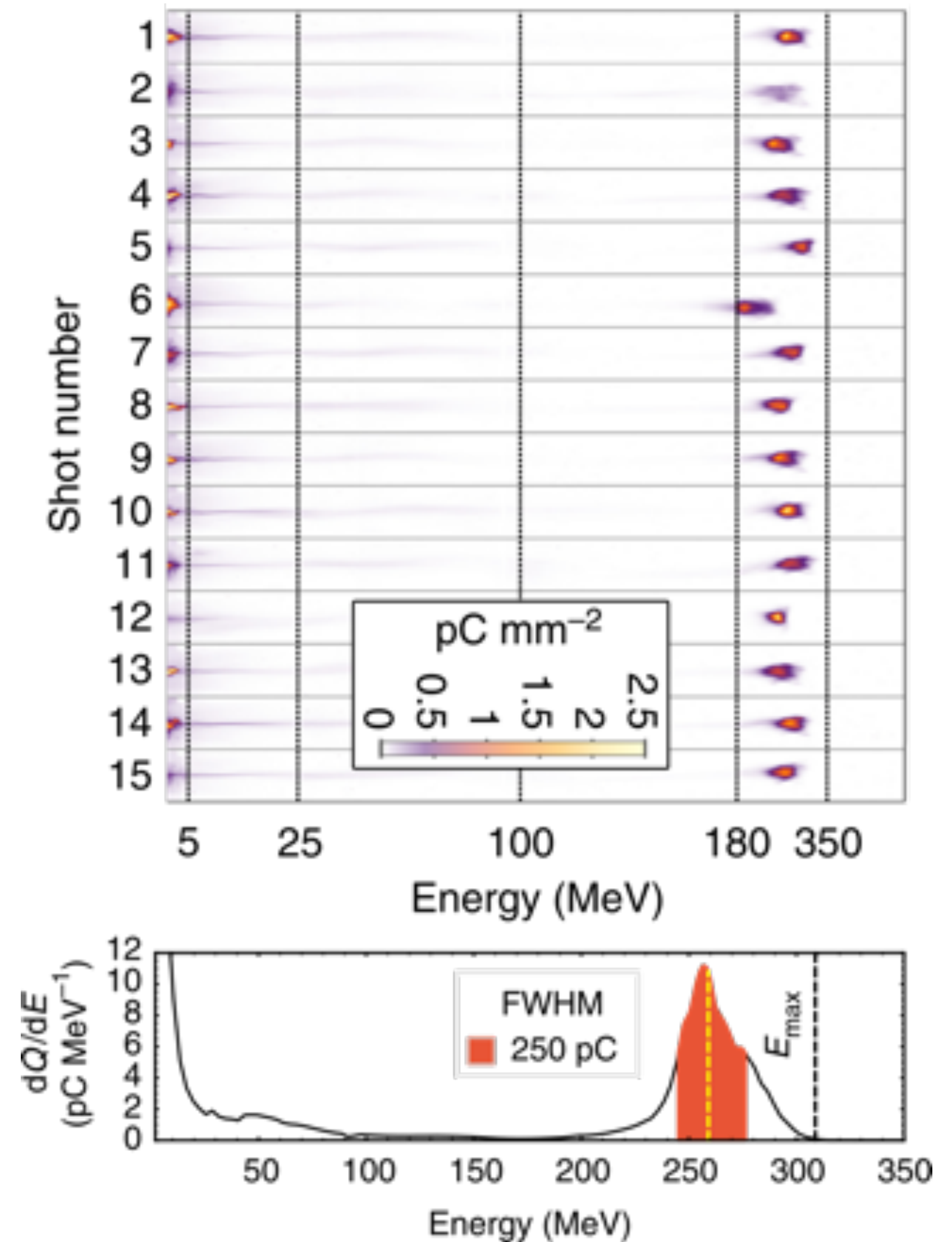
Self truncated ionisation injection:

$$Q = 220 \pm 40 \text{ pC}$$

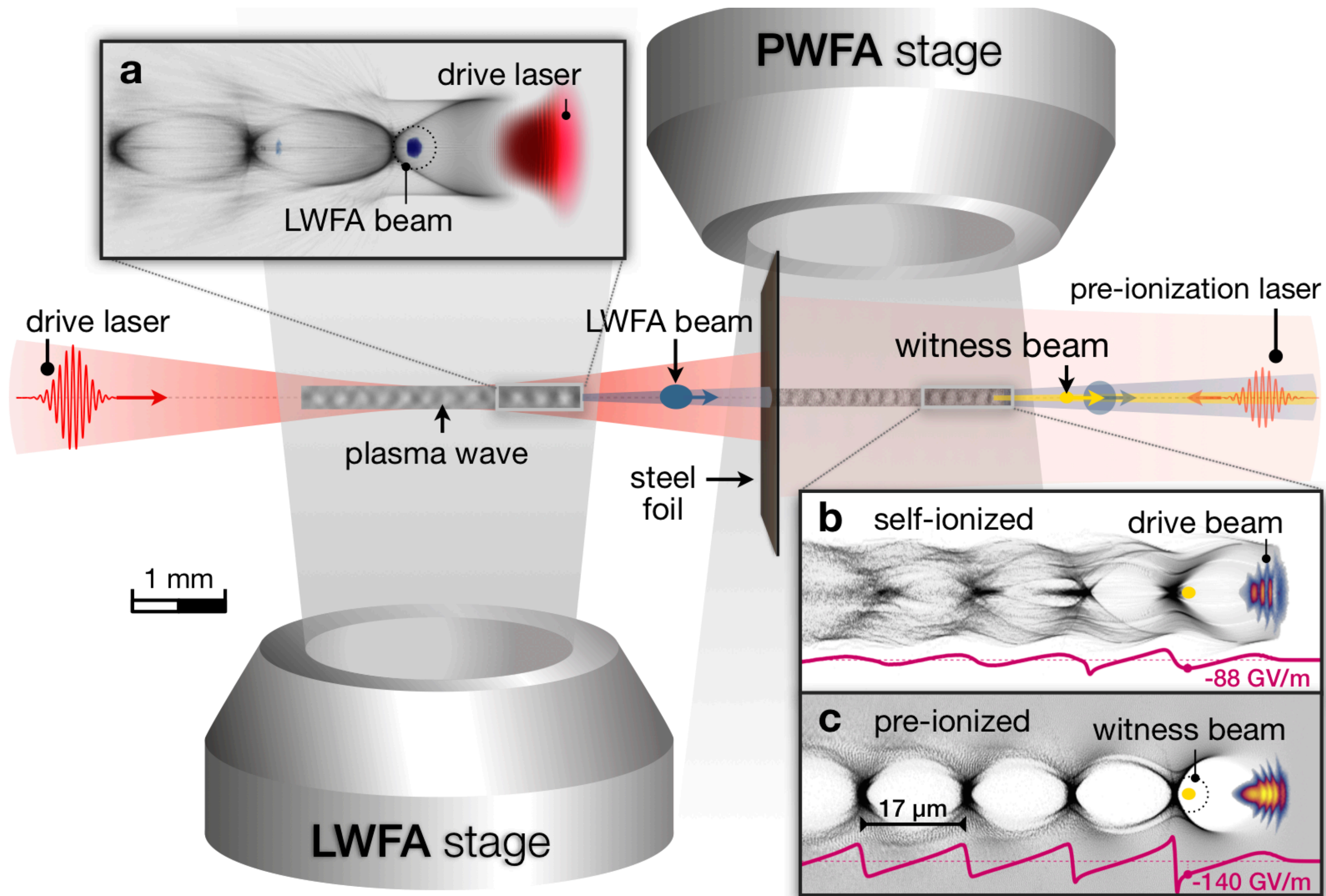
$$E_{\text{peak}} = 250 \pm 23 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta E = 32 \text{ MeV (8\%)}$$

Divergence $\sim 7 \text{ mrad}$



Acceleration of an electron beam in a PWFA powered by LWFA electron beams



OSIRIS 3D PIC simulations demonstrating more pronounced PWFA in pre-ionized case



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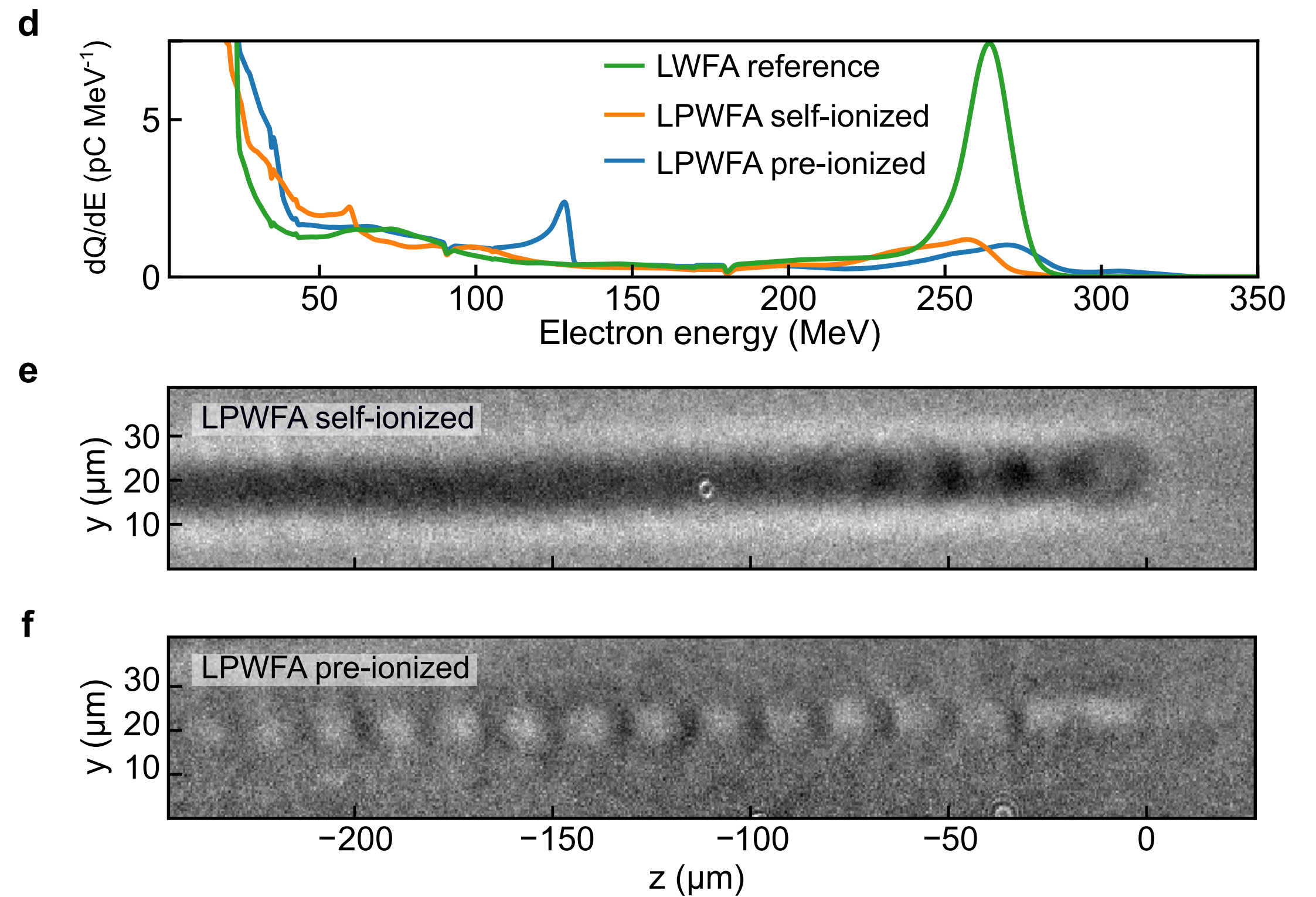
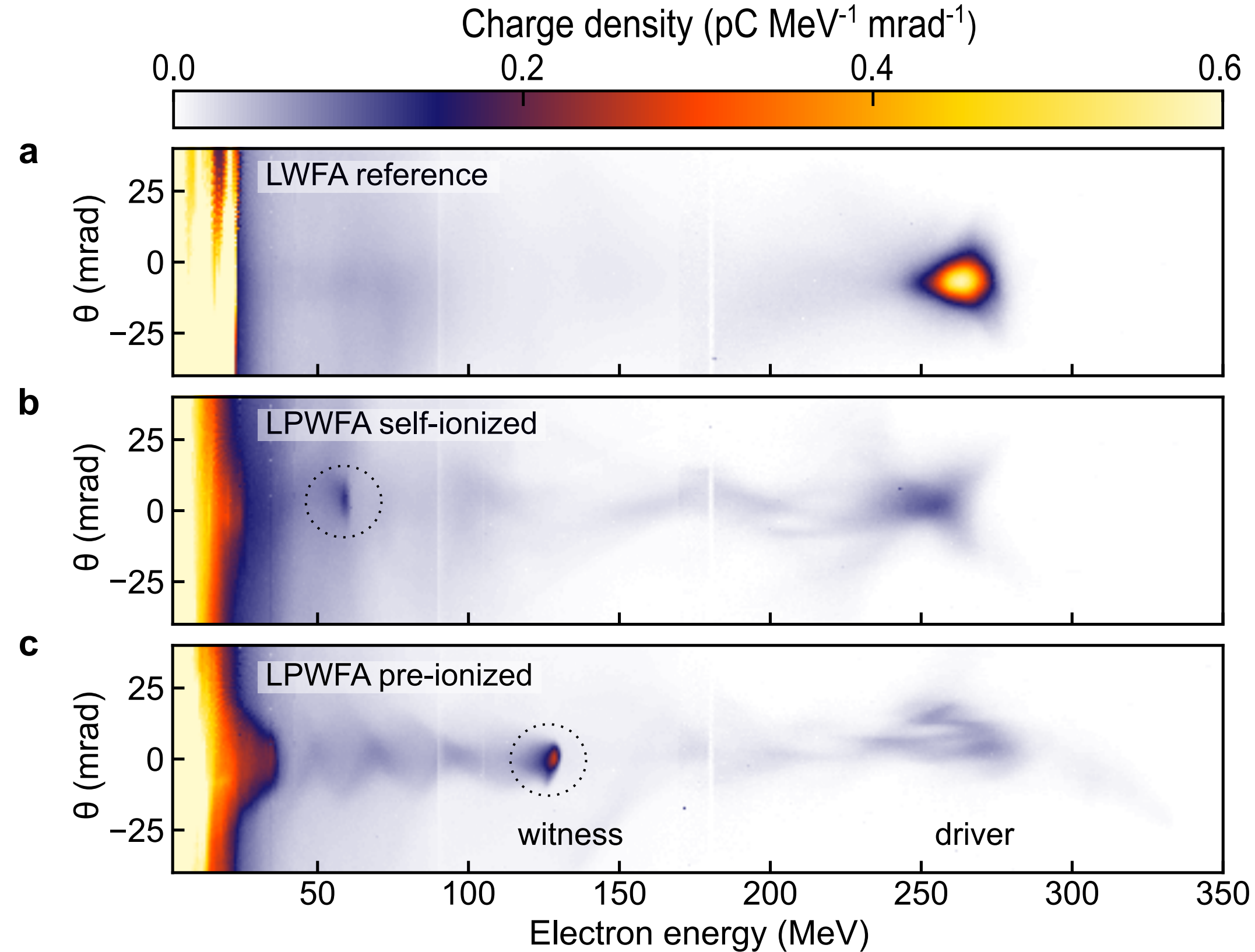
**Accelerating gradient in PWFA stage
can exceed 100 GeV/m**

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Experimental data: electron spectra (a-c) and shadowgraphy (e-f) in hybrid accelerator

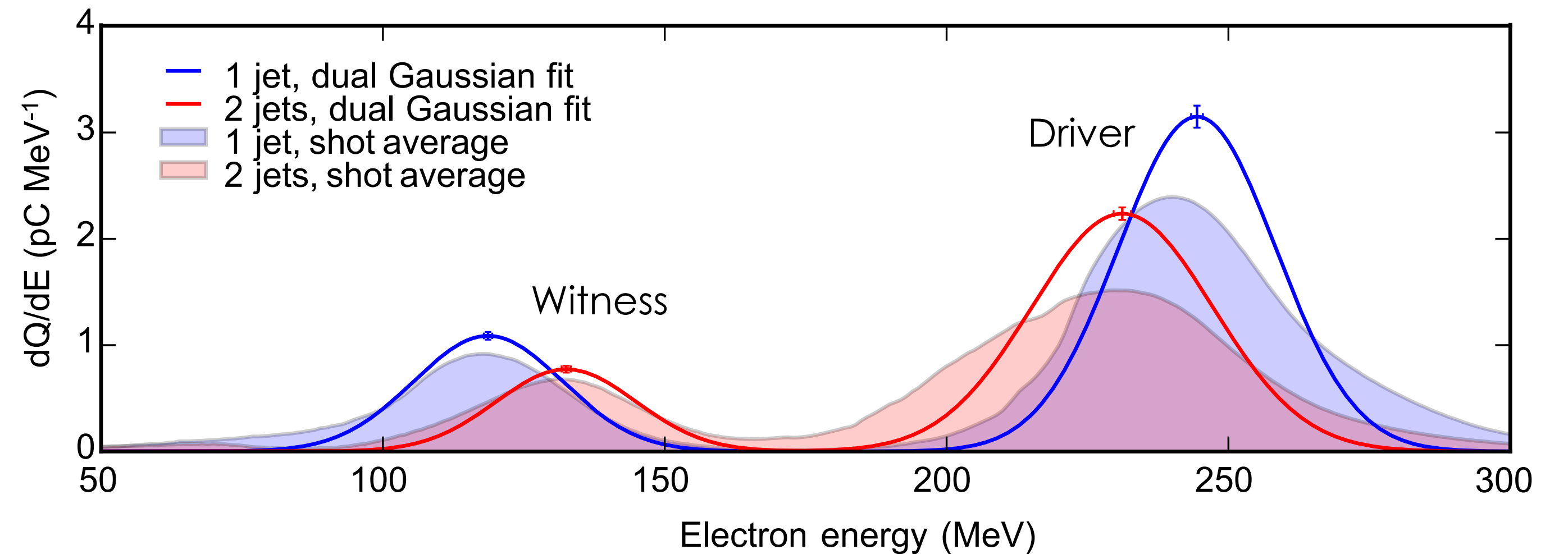
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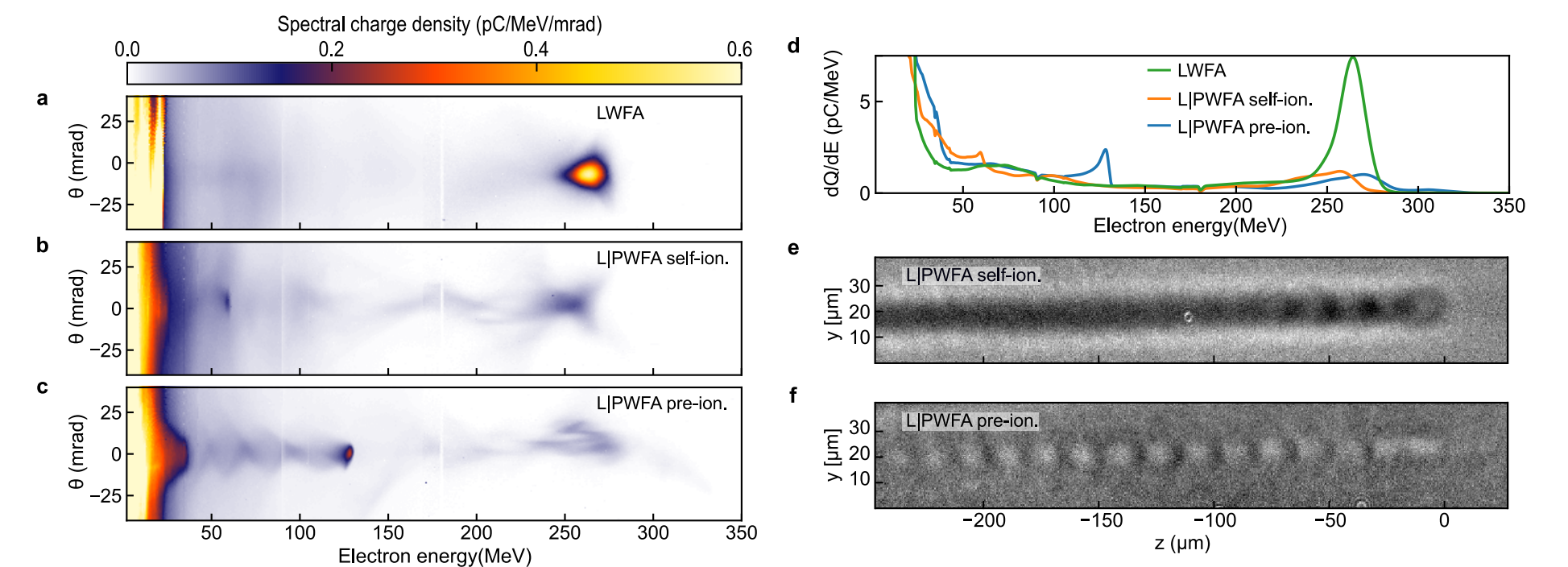
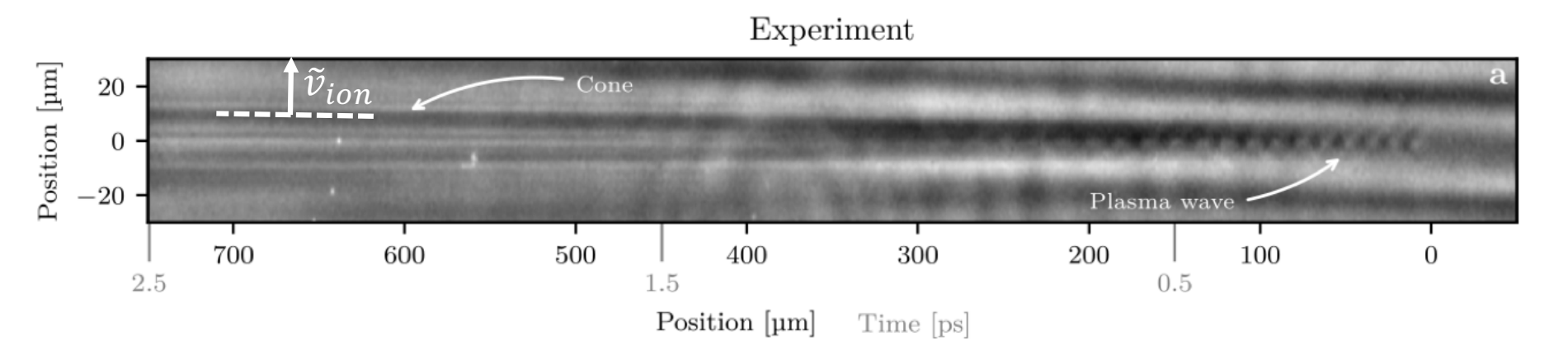
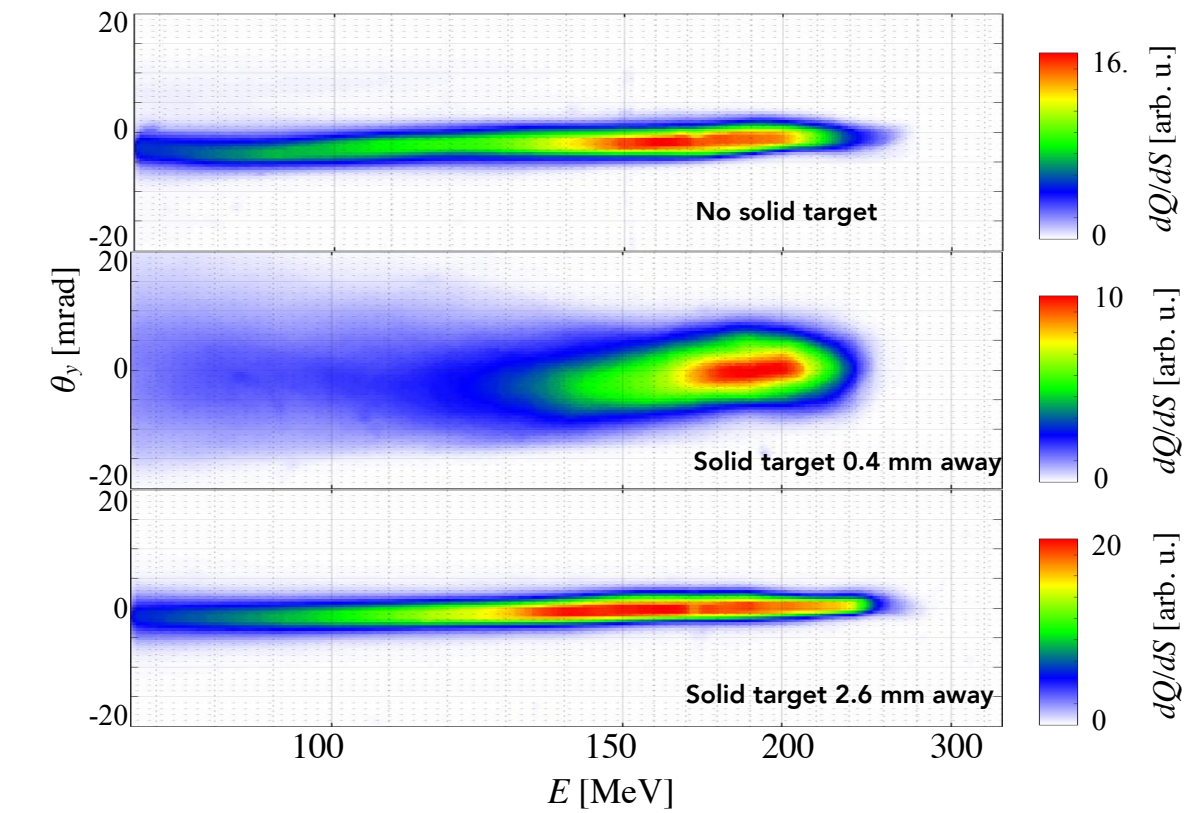
Dual drive-witness beam from LWFA by shock injection in two consecutive plasma buckets



Reproducible simultaneous deceleration of the drive bunch and acceleration of the witness bunch

Summary

- Current filamentation instability in solid target separating LWFA and PWFA stages
- First direct observation of PWFA plasma waves, PWFA physics with few-cycle shadowgraphy
- PWFA-induced ion dynamics at ps time scales
- Acceleration of an electron beam in a PWFA powered by LWFA electron beams
- Work presented on behalf of the hybrid collaboration:



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