



The Commissioning and Early User Operation of Dalian VUV Free Electron Laser

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High Gain FEL

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Shanghai

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SACLA

PAL-XFEL

LCLS

LCLS-II

European XFEL

VUV

Soft X-ray

Hard X-ray

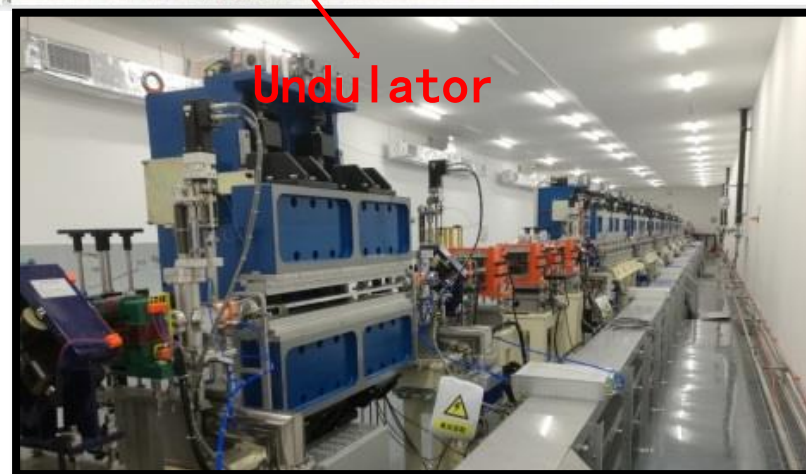
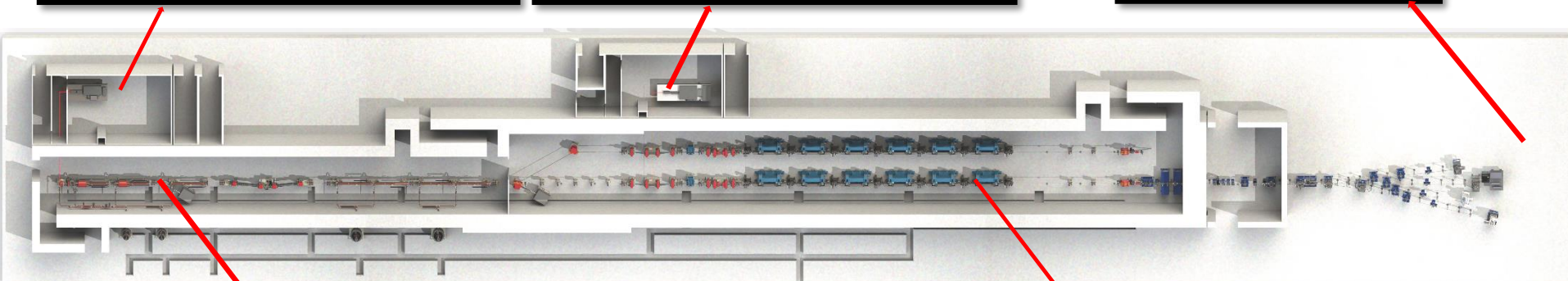
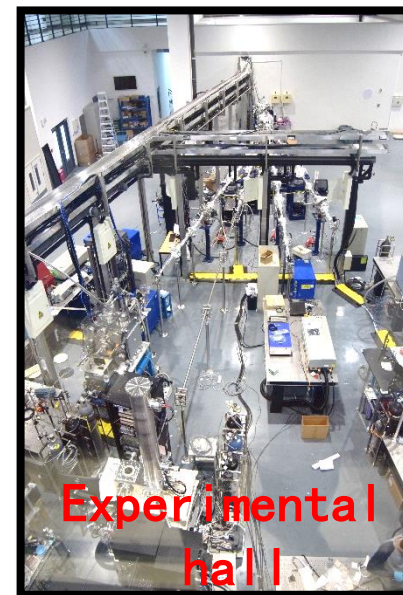
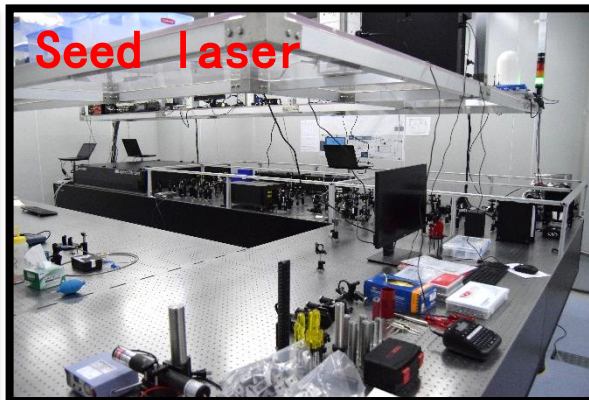
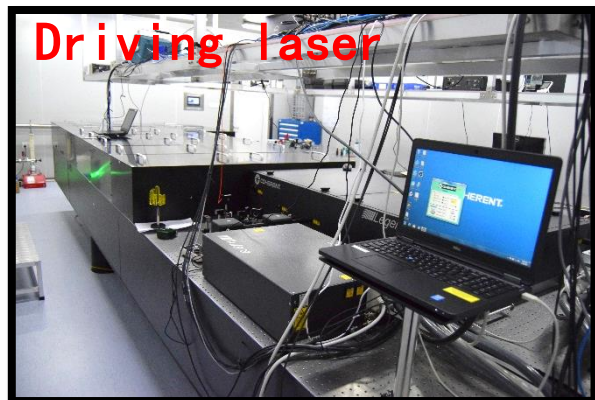
SC FEL

Length	Energy GeV	Budget (\$)
150m	0.3	~25 m
300m	1.0	~35 m
350m	1.2	~0.18b
400m	1.2	~0.3 b
715m	5.8	~0.4 b
750m	8.0	~0.4 b
1.1km	10.0	~0.4 b
1.5km	14.5	~0.4 b
1.5km	4.0	~1 b
3.8km	17.5	~1.5 b

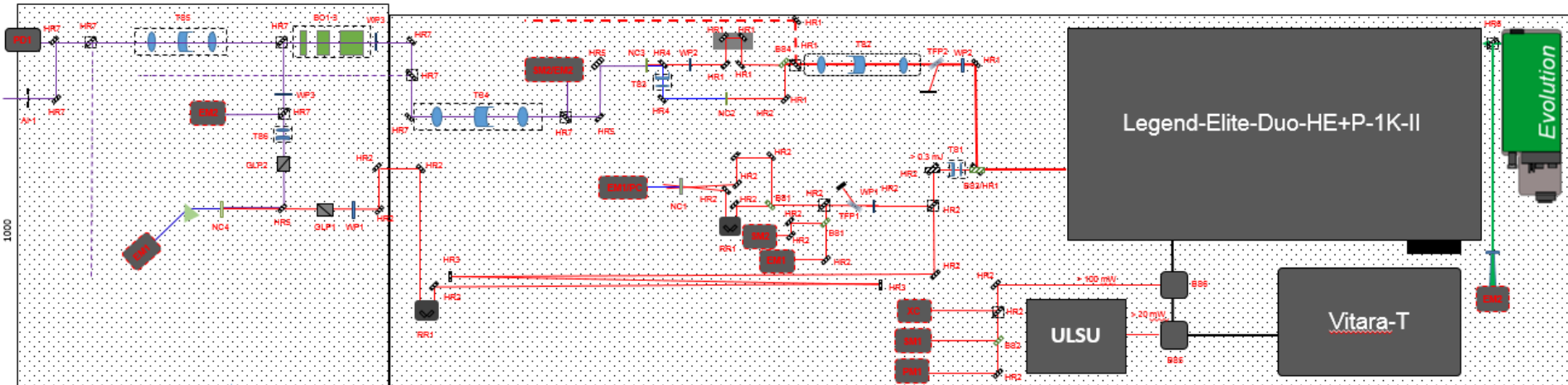
Key number of DCLS

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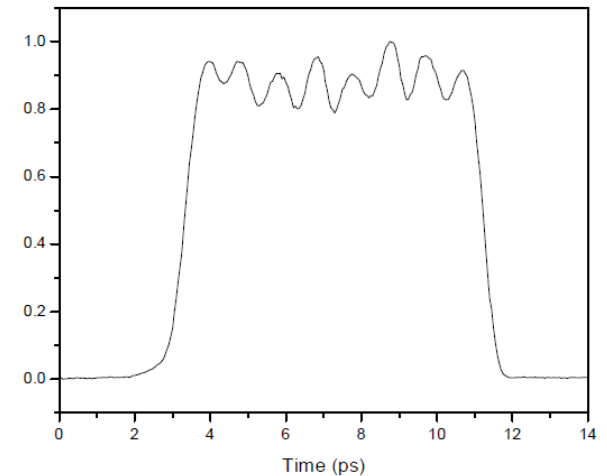
DCLS layout



Driving laser system

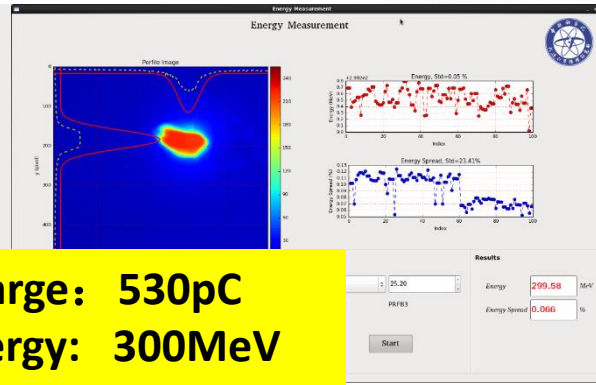
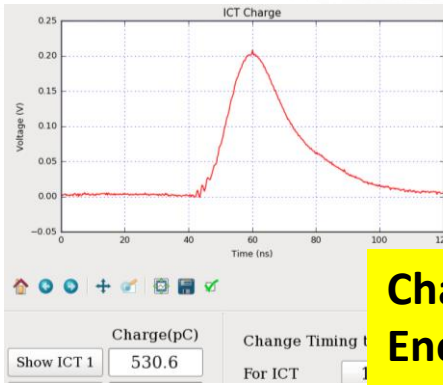
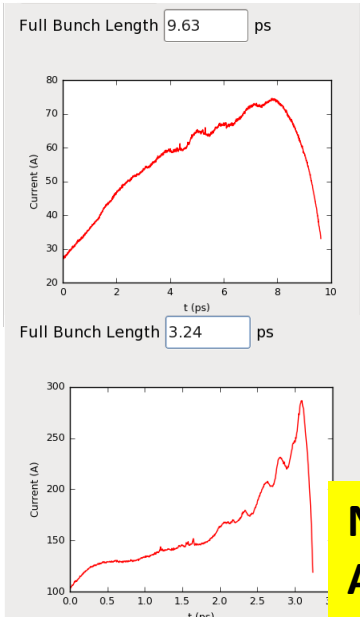
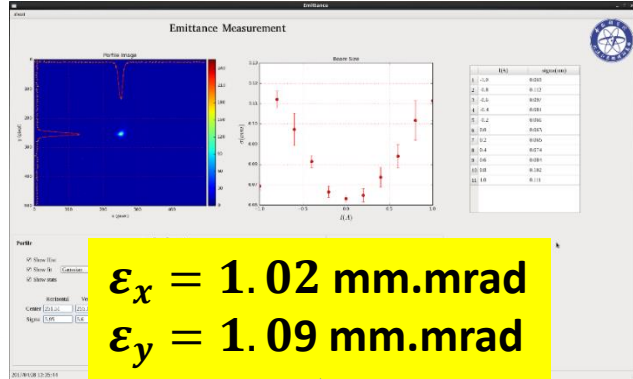
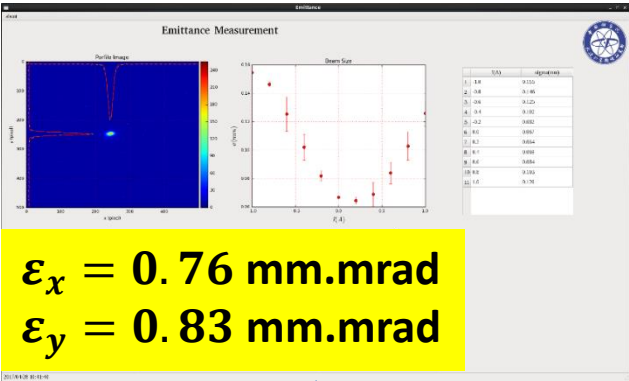


	Design	Achieved
Wavelength (nm)	260	259.58
Rep rate (Hz)	1-50	1-100
Pulse energy (μJ)	250	300
Energy stability (rms)	2.00%	0.90%
Spot size (mm)	1.3~2.6	2
Position stability (μm)	20	7
Longitudinal distribution	Flat top	Flat top
Pulse length (ps)	7	7



Longitudinal distribution

LINAC result

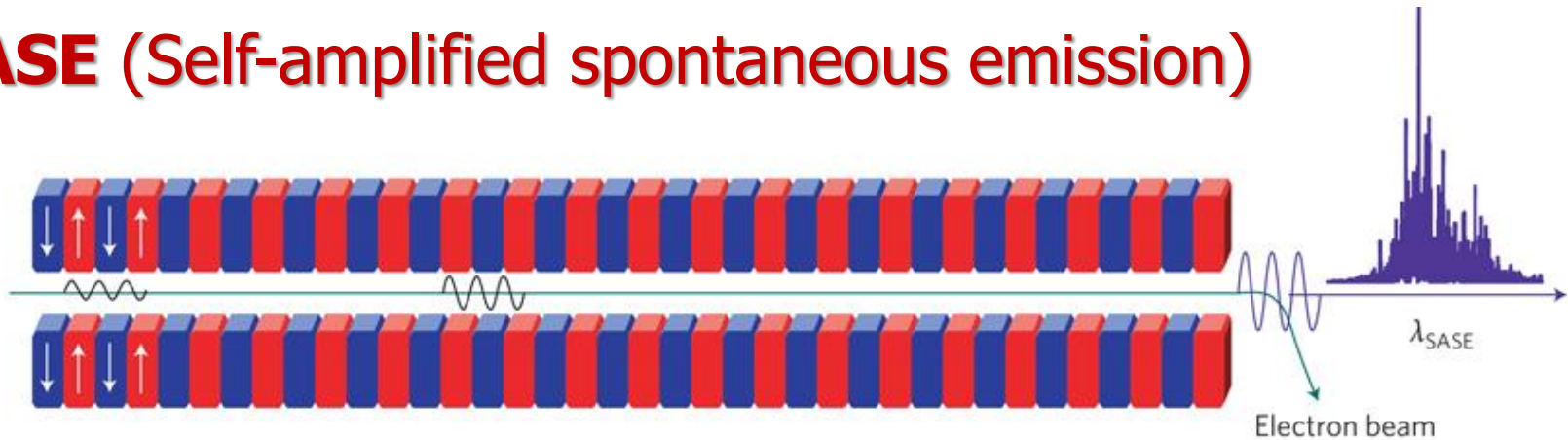


Charge: 530pC
Energy: 300MeV

No compress : 9.63ps
After compress: 3.24ps

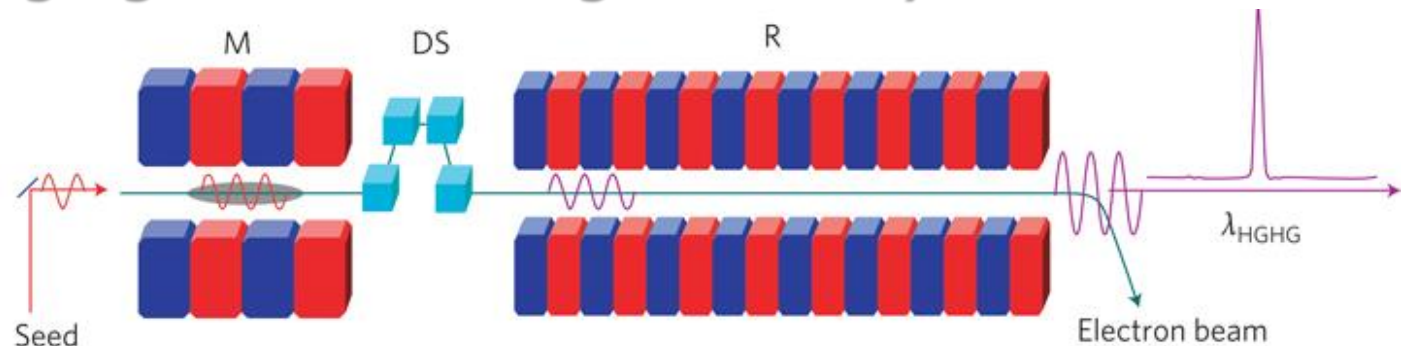
FEL Mode

a) SASE (Self-amplified spontaneous emission)



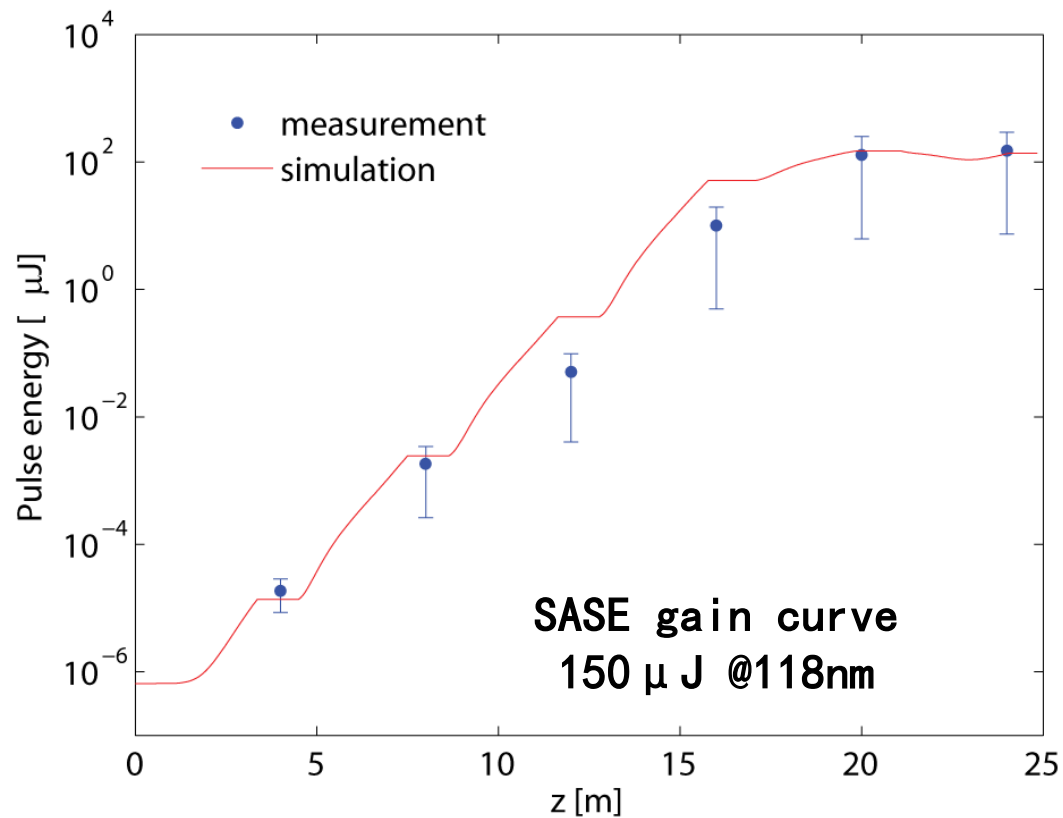
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b) HGHG (High gain harmonic generation)

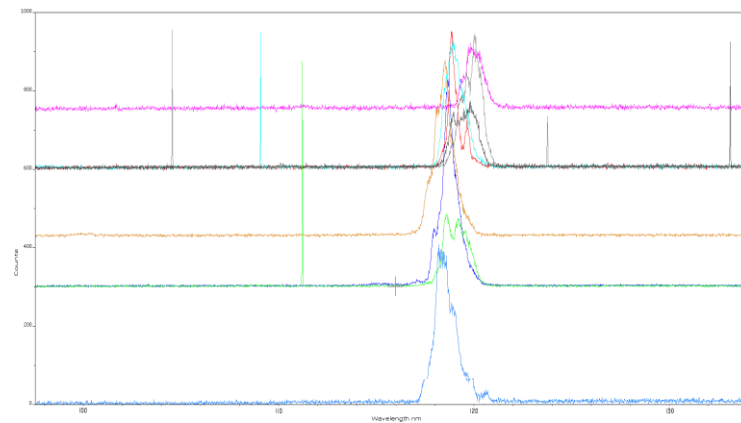


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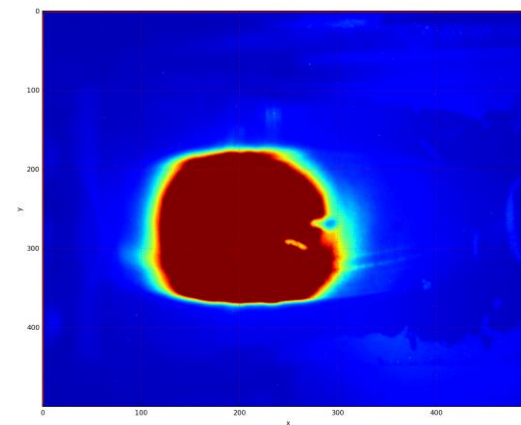
SASE at DCLS



>100 μJ @ 90nm 118nm and 148nm

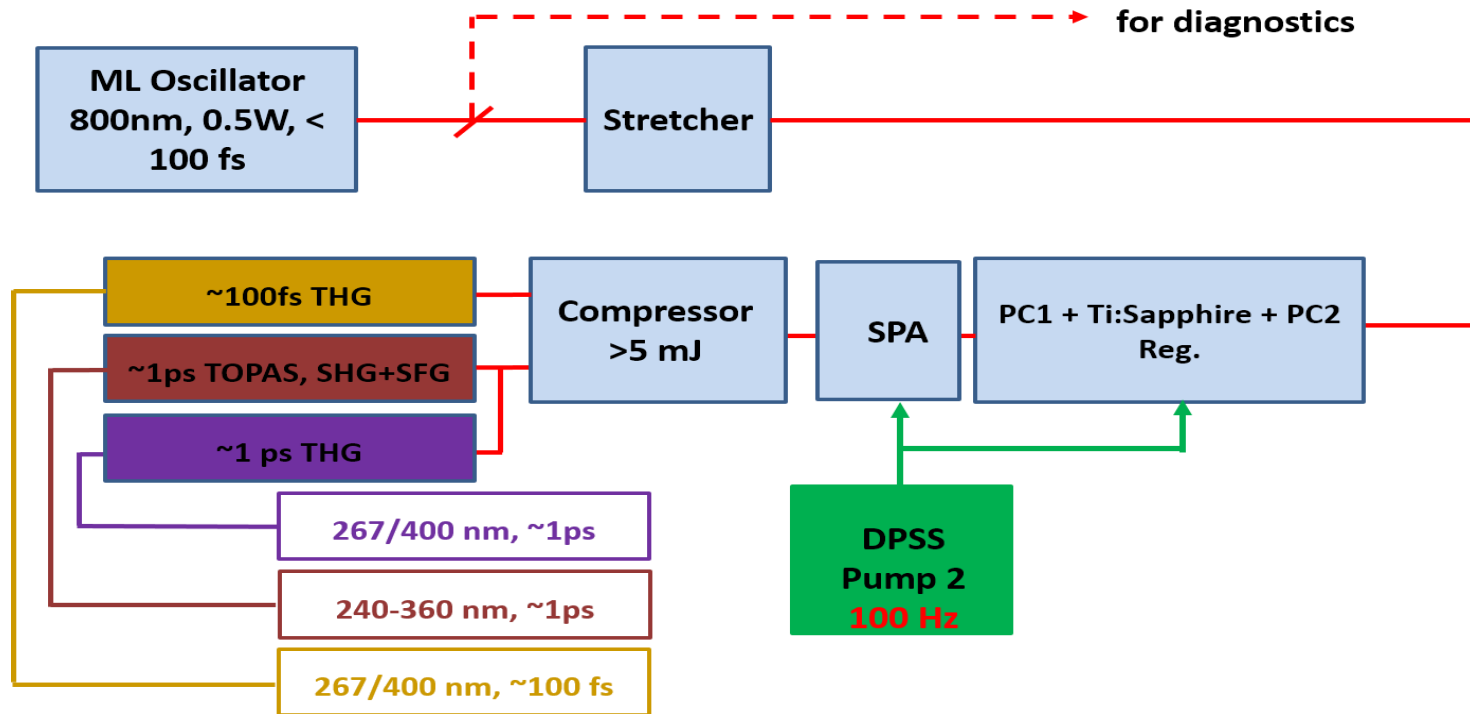


SASE spectrum



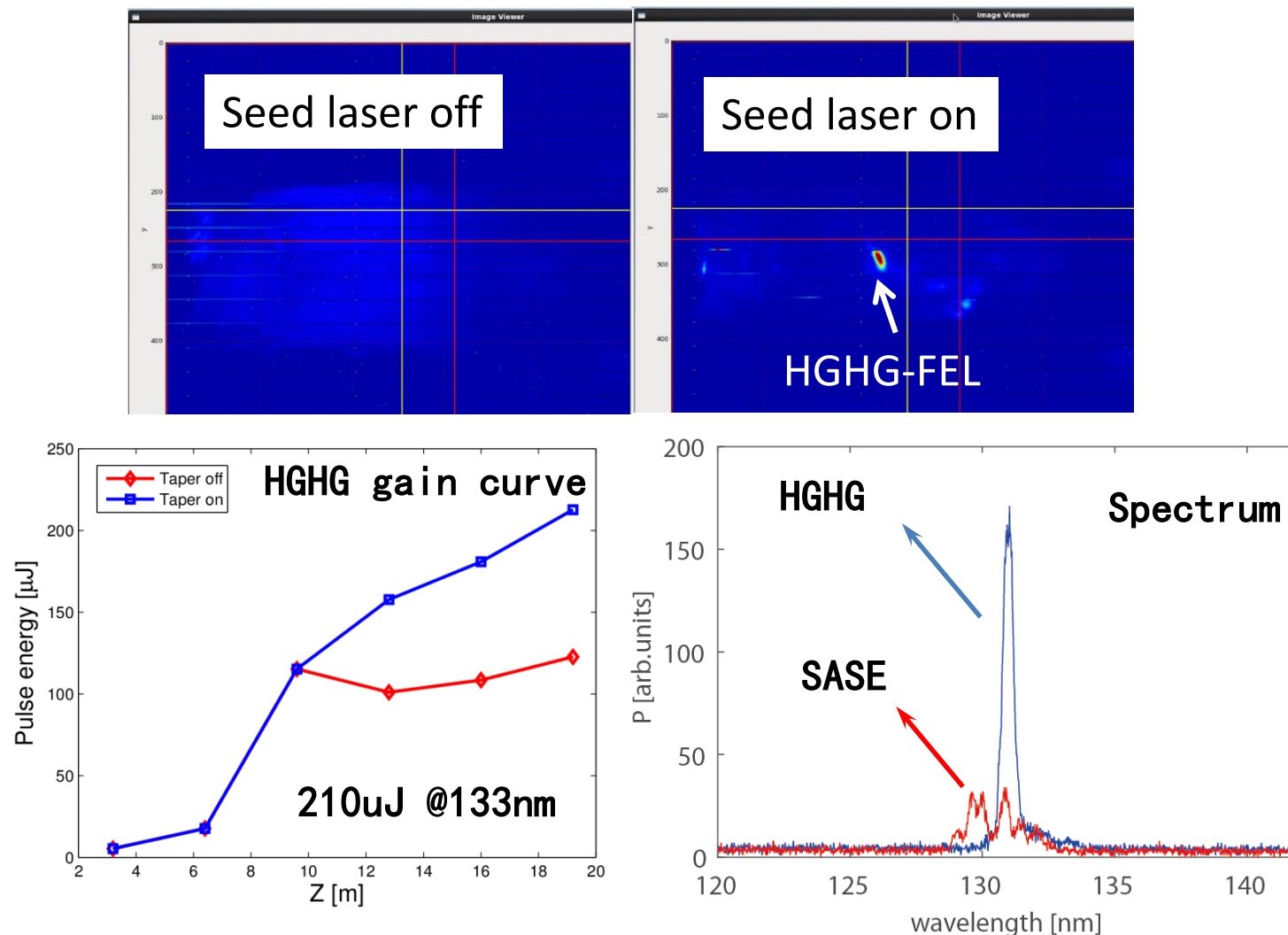
SASE spot image

Seed laser system



	Design	Achieved
Wavelength	240 – 360 nm	240-360 nm
Pulse energy (μ J)	>40 @1 ps	170
Beam size (mm)	2	2.6
Pulse duration (ps)	1	~1.2

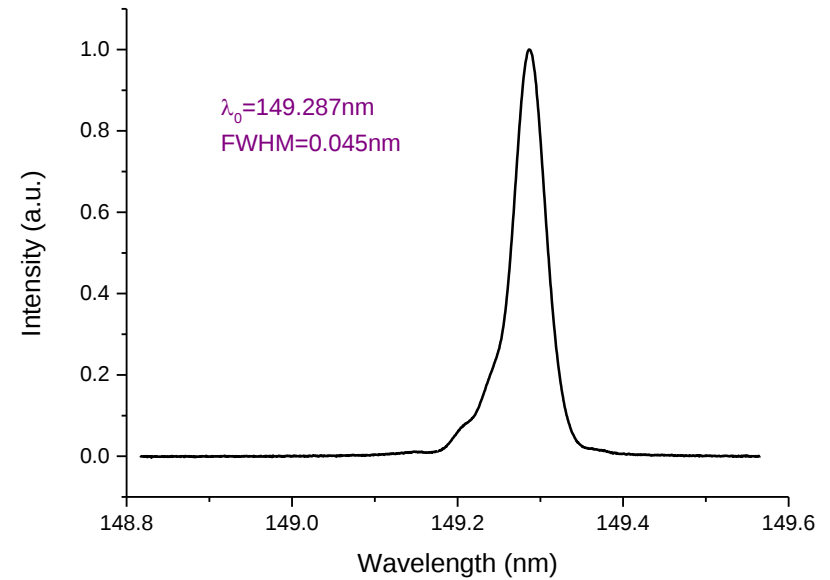
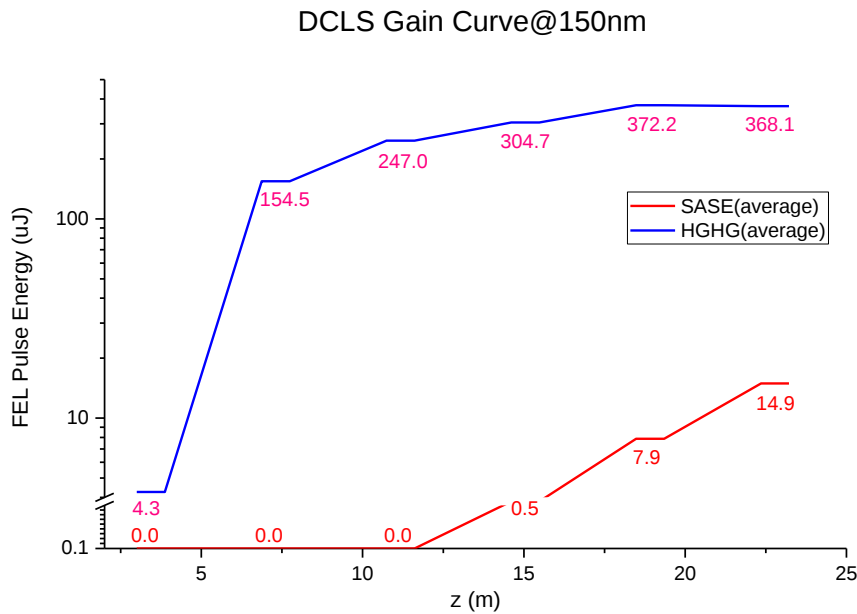
HGHG at DCLS



Seed laser is 266nm, which is 3rd of 800nm.

88nm (3rd harmonic of seed laser) is also achieved, energy is about 30uJ.

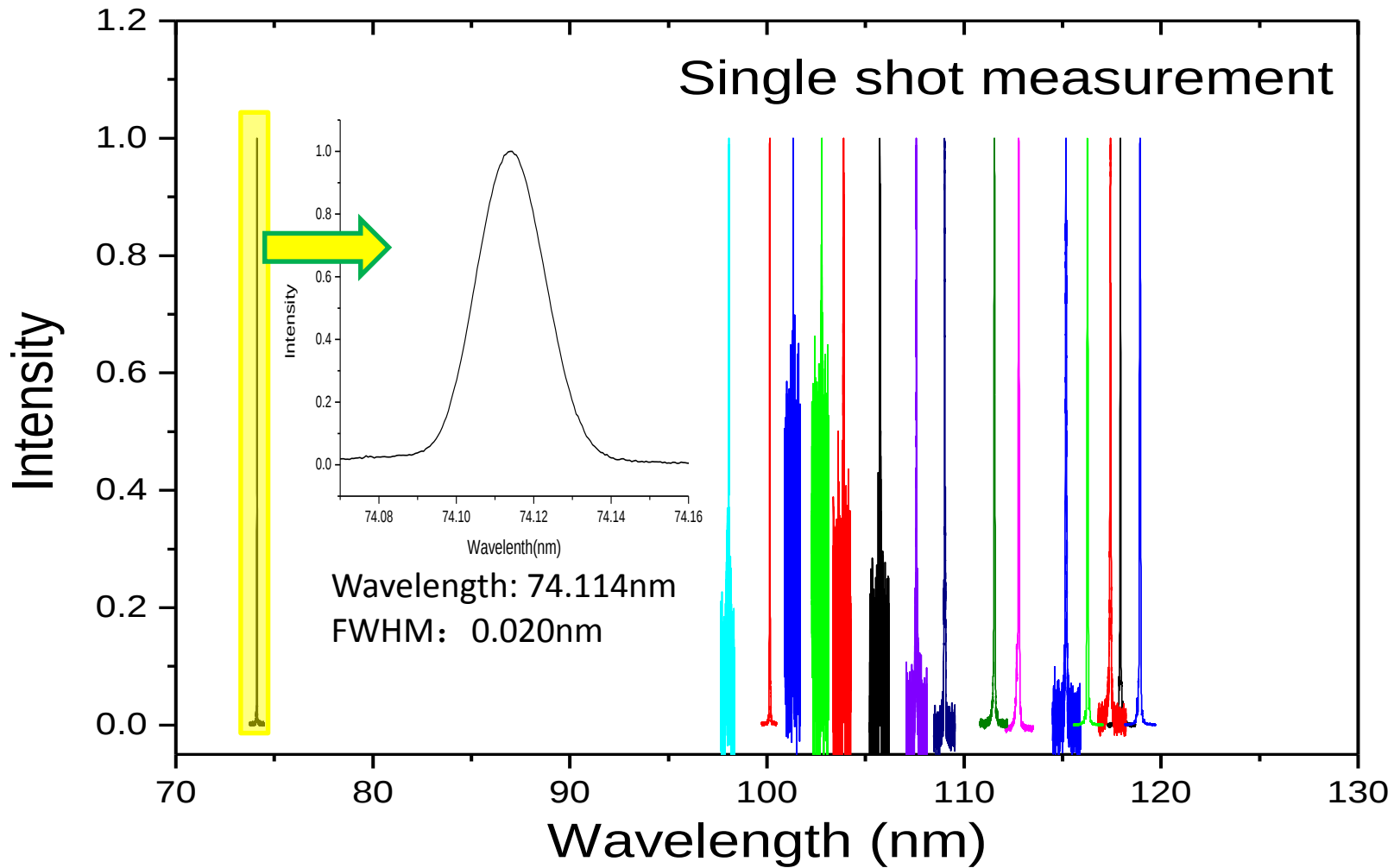
DCLS with OPA seed laser



Seed laser is 298.57nm, which is from OPA.

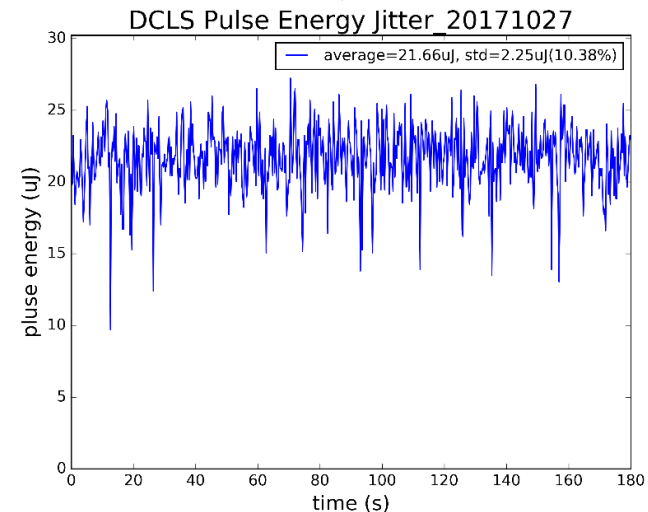
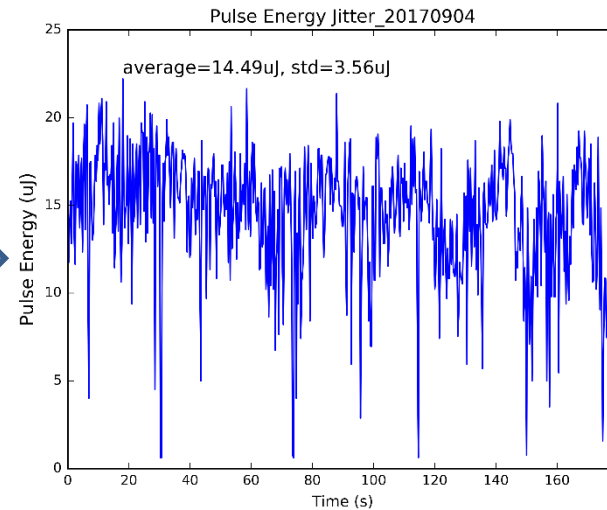
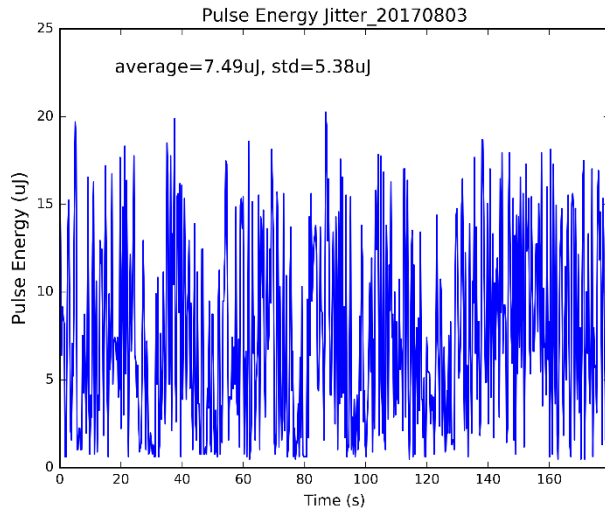
Power at second harmonic is more than 368 uJ. The bandwidth is about 0.03%.

Tunable wavelength



- FEL is tunable with OPA and undulator gap. Tuning range is from 50-150nm.
- The bandwidth is narrow, about 3 times of Fourier transform limit.

Pulse energy stability

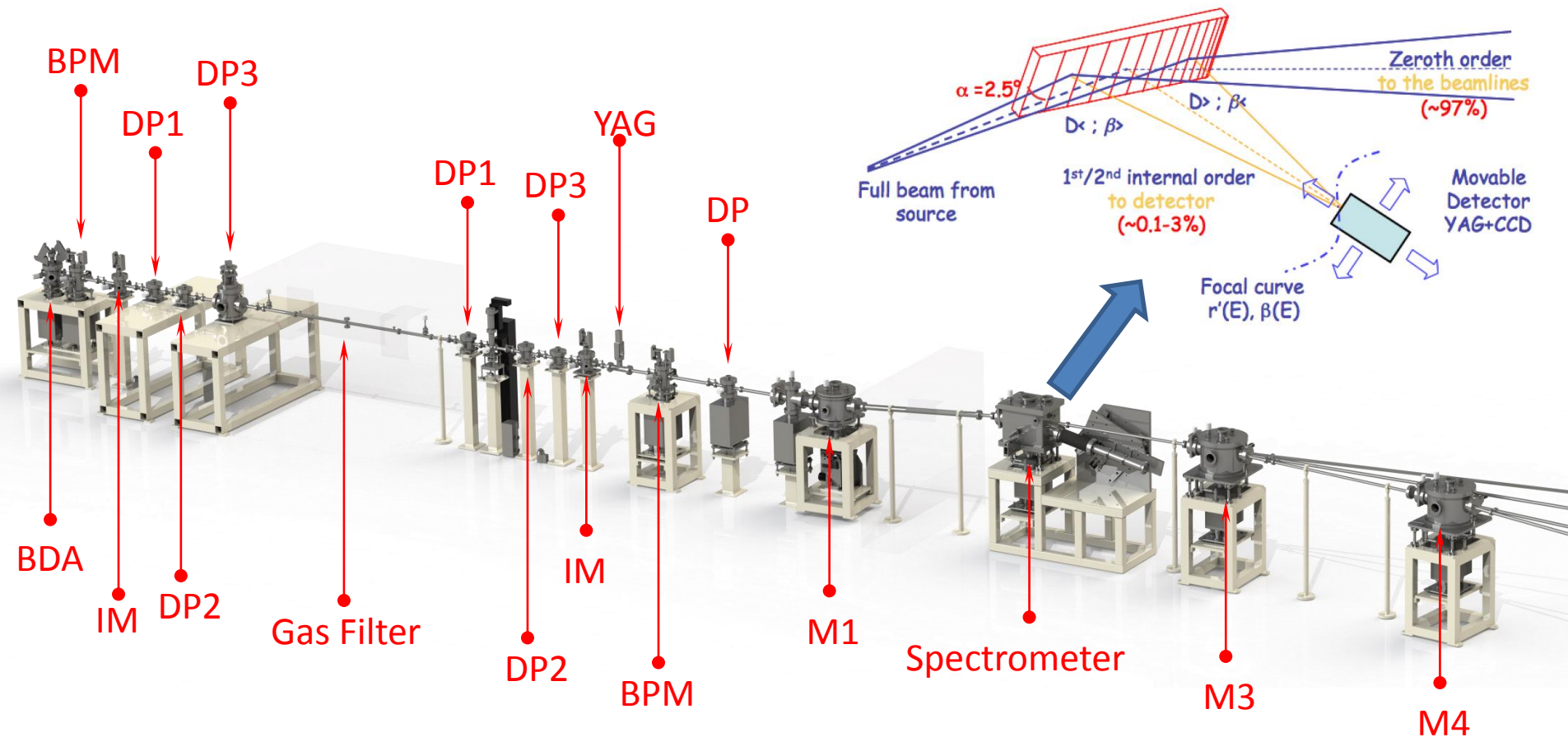


Pulse energy fluctuation is down to 10%

- **Better gun conditioning**
- **Close loop for LINAC power system**
- **Less timing jitter between e beam and seed laser**

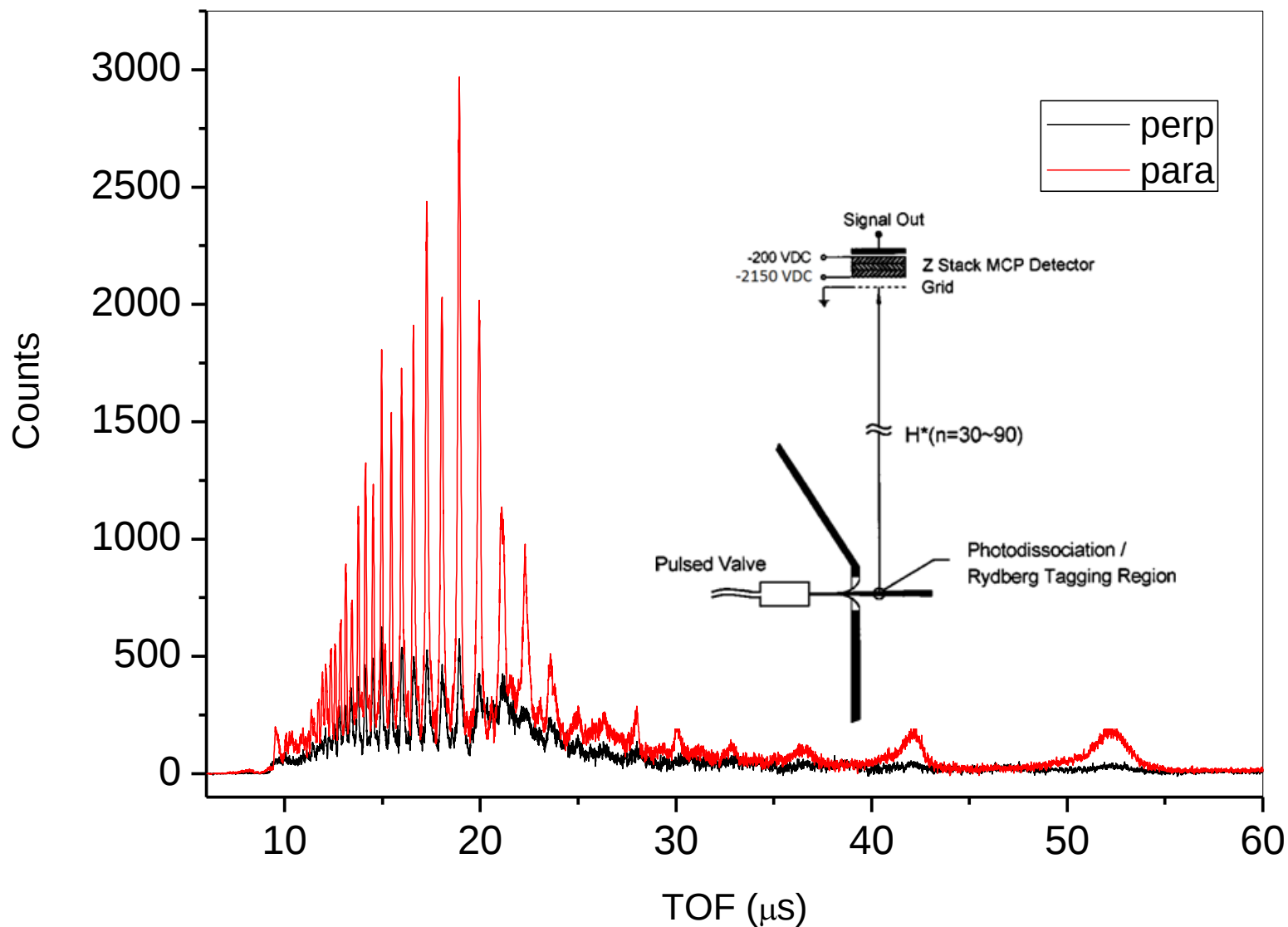
Photon diagnostics and delivery system

FERMI, Italy



- Photon Beam position, intensity, wavelength will be recorded in real time.
- Estimated beam transfer efficiency is about 85% after 2 mirrors.

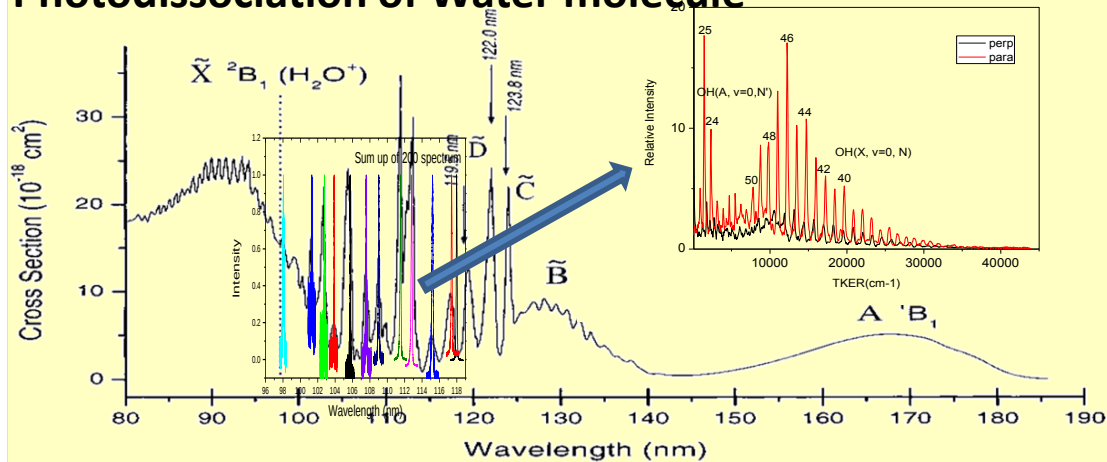
First user experiment



H₂O photodissociation at 117.5nm (FEL VUV)

Experiment @ DCLS

Photodissociation of Water molecule

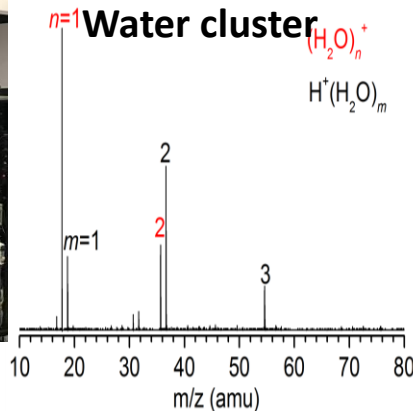


Photodissociation dynamics of water molecule is done above 120nm before DCLS. Now it is extended to 98nm. Three body dissociation is found, which is very rare and interesting case.

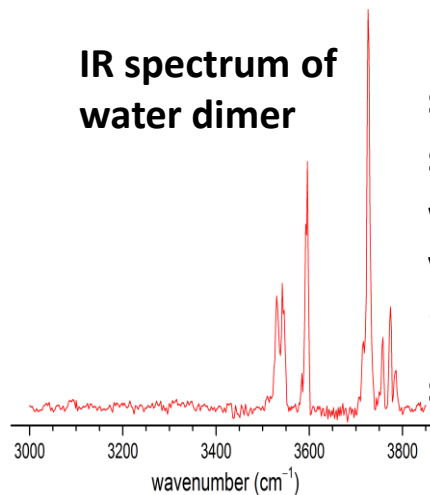
IR spectrum of Neutral cluster



Mass spectrum of Water cluster



IR spectrum of water dimer



By VUV soft ionizing, we succeed to measure IR spectrum of neutral cluster, which is hard without strong VUV photon beam. It is very important to obtain cluster structure.

Since 2017.07, we provide more than 2000 hours for user measurement.

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Achieved number at the moment

150nm-50nm,

350 μ J

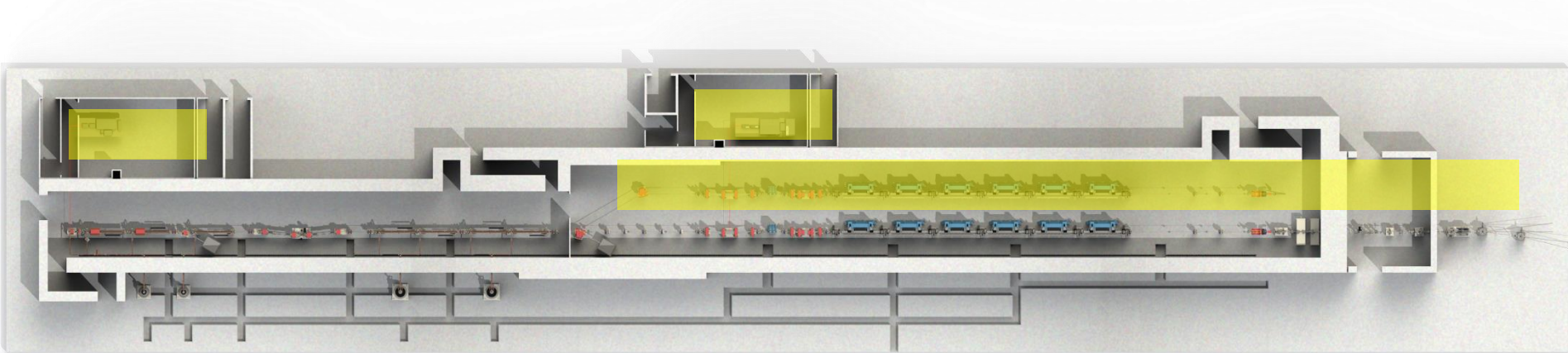
~1ps

<0.05%(HGHG)

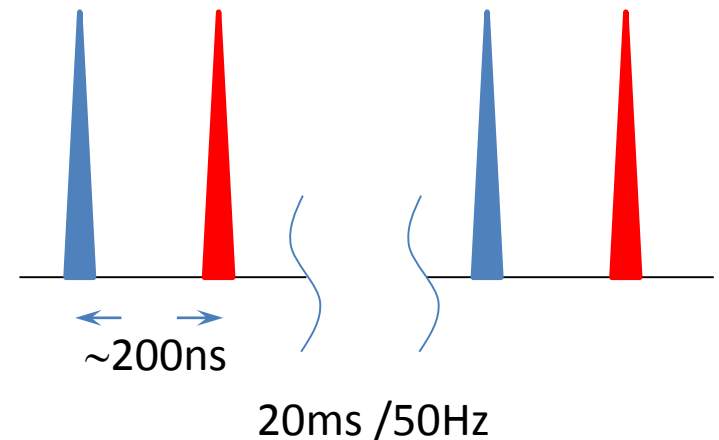
Not measured

20Hz

DCLS upgrade : 2nd FEL line



- 2nd FEL line is planed for installation in the middle of 2018.
- The property of new line, e.g., polarization, pulse duration, bandwidth, wavelength range, is still open to discuss.
- EPU is chosen at this stage



Time structure of double pulse e beam

Idea from SwissFEL

Milestone

2012.03 Starting of DCLS

2013.08 Review of TDR of DCLS

2013.12 Prototype of Undulator

2014.10 Starting of Construction

2016.04 LINAC installation

2016.09 Undulator spontaneous emission

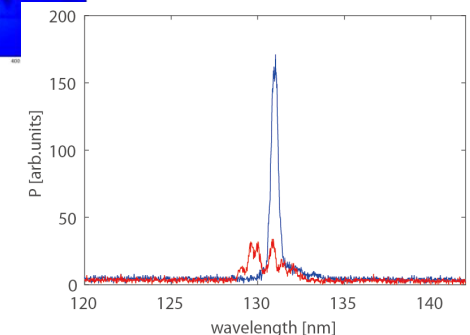
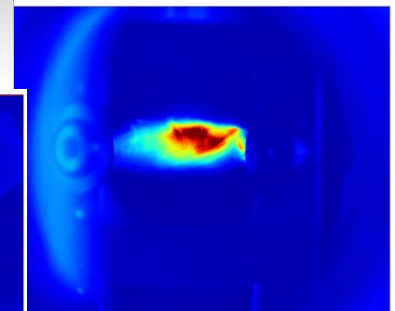
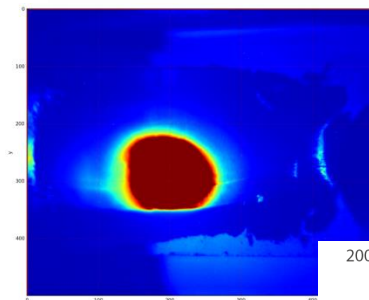
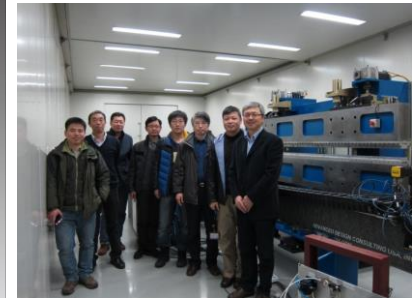
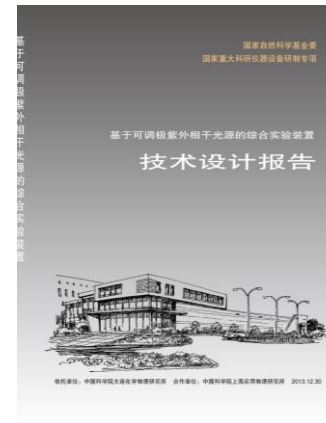
2016.11 FEL SASE lasing

2016.12 FEL HGHG lasing

2017.06 First user experiment

2017.08 Tunable wavelength

2018.07 2nd FEL line installation





2012.05 First time to DCLS location



2013.08 Review of DCLS TDR



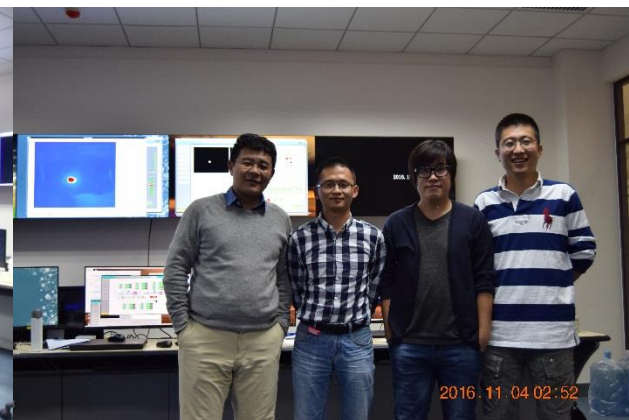
2014.11- 2016.01 DCLS Building construction



2016.05 Linac Installation



2016.09 e Beam getting through



2016.11 First SASE lasing

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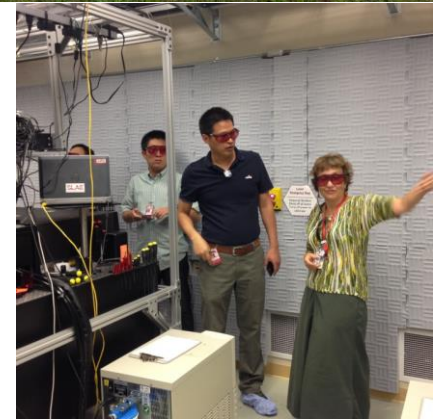
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