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# Beam-driven afterburners for extending the spectral reach of XFELs

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# Outline

- Background and motivations
  - Recent plasma-based FELs
  - Spectral reach of XFELs
  - Pump-probe / driver-witness generation
- Plasma and dielectric wakefield approaches
- Ongoing effort at PSI

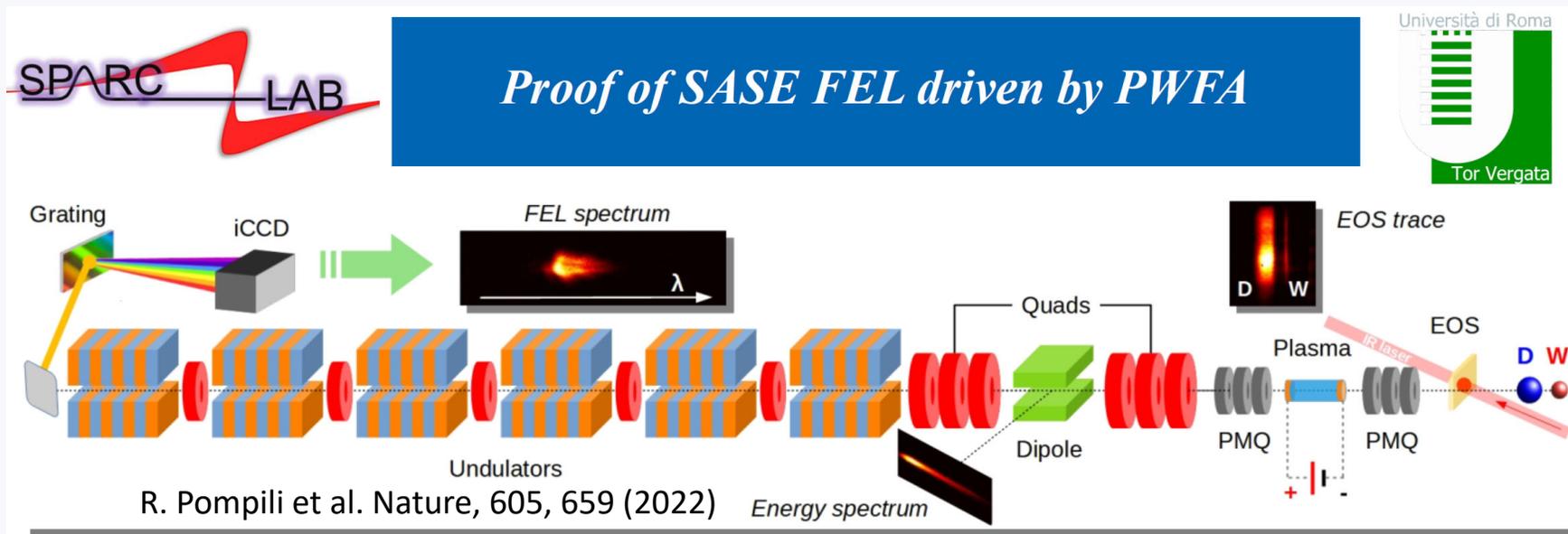
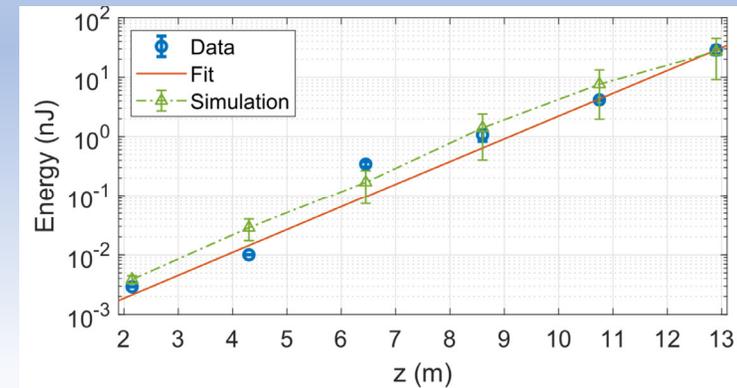
# Beam driven plasma-based FEL at SPARC

- Witness beam 87.5 MeV -> 94 MeV lasing (200 MV/m gradient)

$$\lambda_\ell = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma_r^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right)$$

- From a different perspective:

7.5 % beam energy increase -> 15 % higher energy photons



# Need for near-term applications of advanced accelerator technology

- 15 TeV advanced accelerator-based collider decades away
- Real-world applications will strengthen the case and demonstrate key-milestones before next planning exercise
- Identified as priority in AF6 Snowmass report
- Look out for scientific opportunities to make big impact

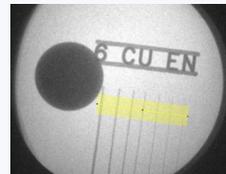
Submitted to the Proceedings of the US Community Study on the Future of Particle Physics (Snowmass 2021)

## Snowmass2021 Accelerator Frontier White Paper: Near Term Applications driven by Advanced Accelerator Concepts

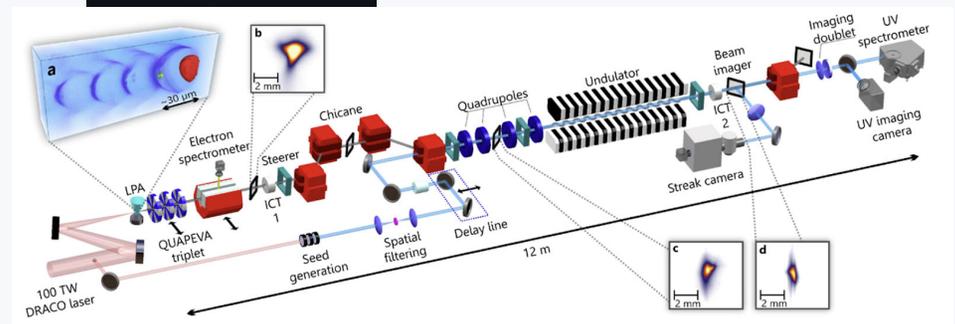
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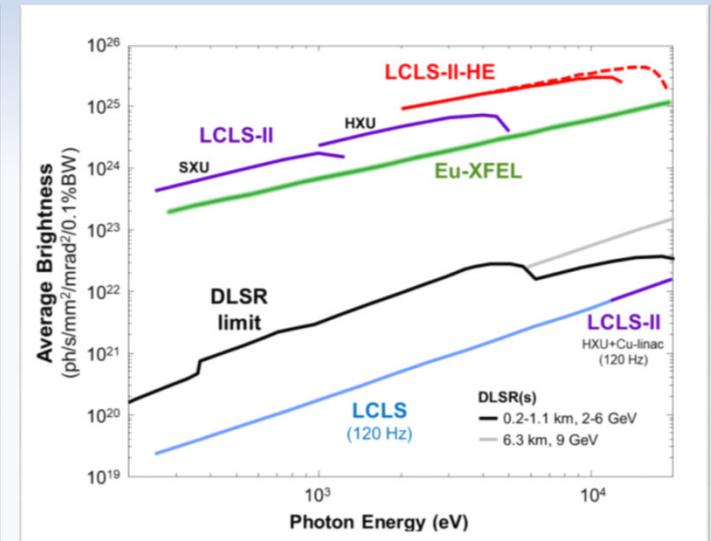
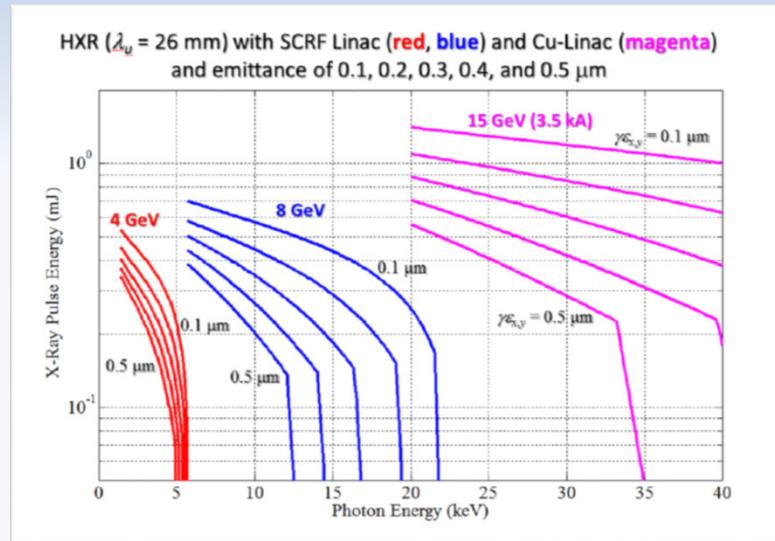
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# LCLS-II-HE project

- Increase SRF linac energy to 8 GeV
- Need to improve beam emittance to laser at 4x photon energy (20 keV)
- Big project



From L. Horton presentation (DOE BESAC April 2022)

- ❖ **LCLS-II-HE: CD-1** (9/21/2018), **3A** (5/12/2020) Scope includes a low-emittance superconducting electron gun & independent cryoplant (current TPC estimate is \$660M); R&D, design, prototyping, and long lead time procurements underway. COVID impacts and need for increased cost contingency delay CD-2/3 & could impact TPC. **CD-2/3 now planned for 4Q FY 2023**; CD-4 for 2Q FY 2031.

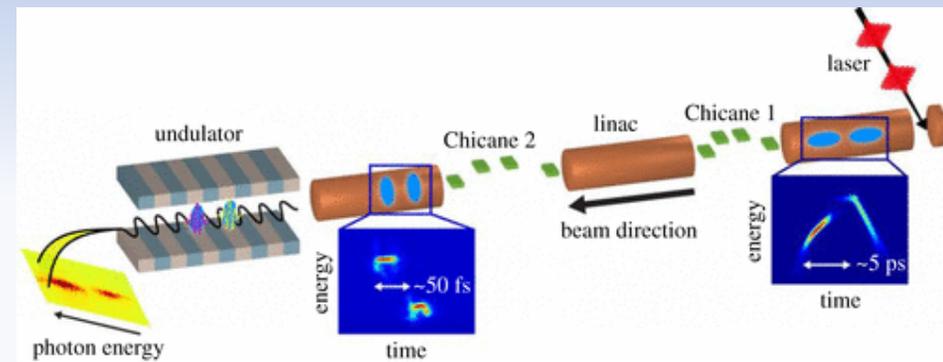


# Double bunch generation schemes

- Multiple schemes **already** available to generate two bunches with nearly arbitrary (and adjustable) delays for pump-probe studies
- Shape could be optimized for drive/witness wakefield temporal format
- Beam-driven advanced accelerators (plasma or dielectric) can easily provide GeV-class energy gains in meter long structures

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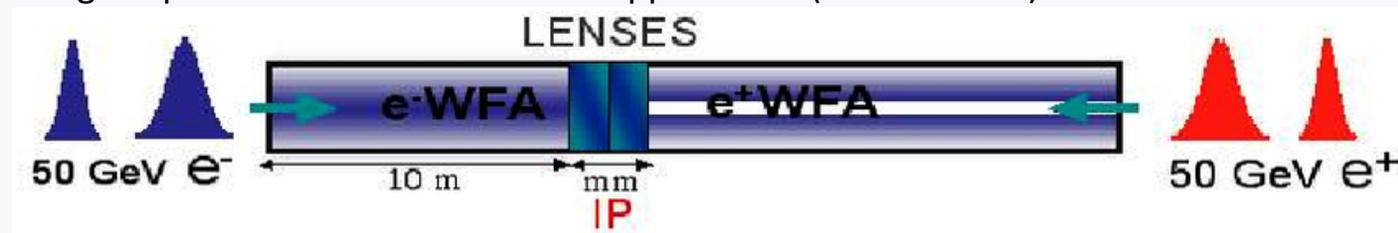
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Two-color methods	Specific advantages	Specific limitations	Maximum power	Common features
Laser emittance spoiler (this article)	Simple, usable at any rep. rate	Two different laser pulses required	Potentially full saturation power	$\Delta t$ and $\Delta \lambda$ tunability limited by the $e$ beam duration and energy,
Twin bunches [24]	High FEL pulse energy	Complex setup		$\Delta t$ - $\Delta \lambda$ correlation, same longitudinal FEL source point
Two-bucket bunches	ns delay, same color feasible	Complex setup		
Double-slot foil [26]	Simple	Beam losses		
Sextupole [19]	Usable at any rep. rate	Tilted beam		
Wakefield structures [25]	Low pump and probe jitter	Passive structure needed		

# The FEL afterburner

- Many facilities could take advantage of drive/witness bunch generation and properly design advanced accelerator structure to increase beam energy.
- Lasing after 5-10 % scale relative energy gain has already been demonstrated
- Large impact could be obtained even with relatively conservative afterburner stage design.
  - Essentially free energy upgrade (no construction or drive power needed).
- Examples:
  - PSI need upgrade from 6 to 7 GeV to cover wavelength range in third undulator line
  - Eupraxia already includes PWFA to increase beam energy. Flash-Forward? FERMI?

Original plasma afterburner for HEP applications (T. Katsouleas)

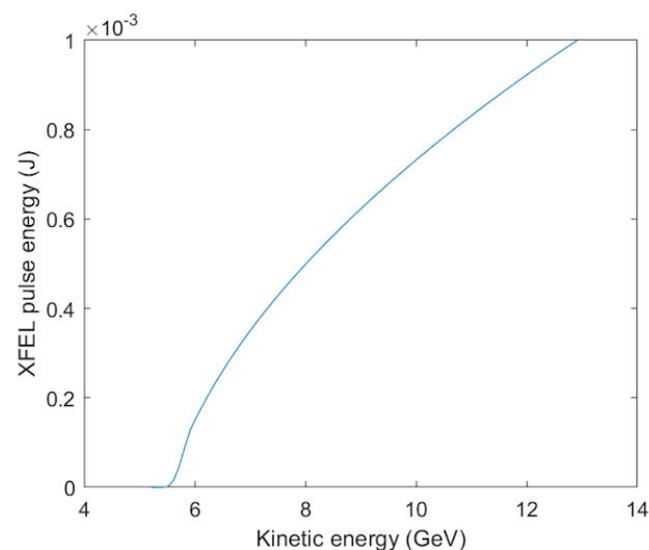
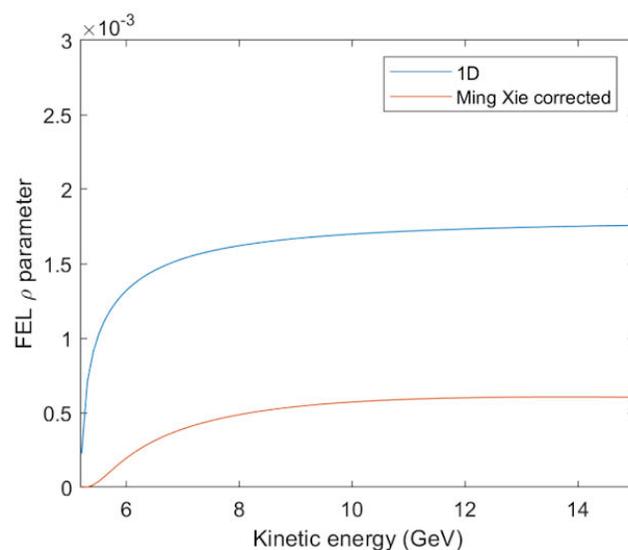


# FEL afterburner advantages

For a fixed wavelength – adjusting K parameter to keep lasing at constant photon energy

- Increase brightness / reduce undulator length

Parameter	Value
Charge	100 pC
Norm. emittance	0.2 $\mu\text{m}$
Peak current	2 kA
Lasing photon energy	10 keV
Undulator period	2.6 cm
Undulator length	150 m

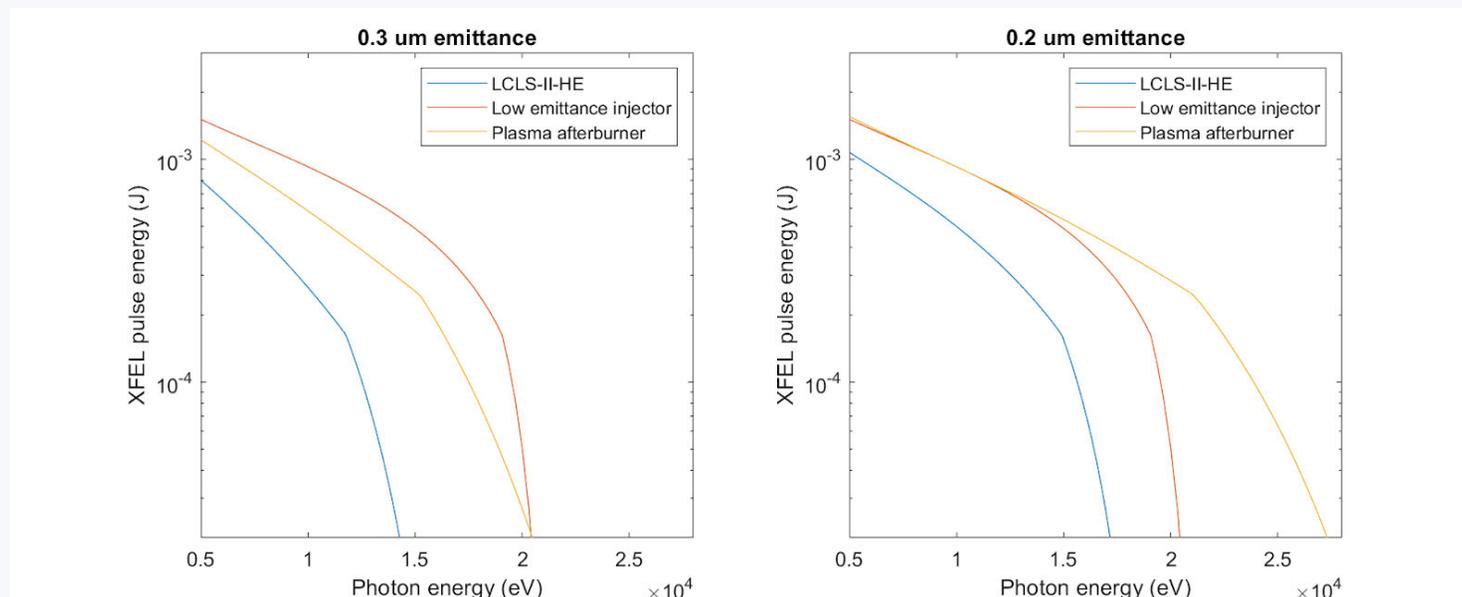


# FEL afterburner advantages

12 GeV afterburner vs. original 8 GeV LCLS-II-HE case

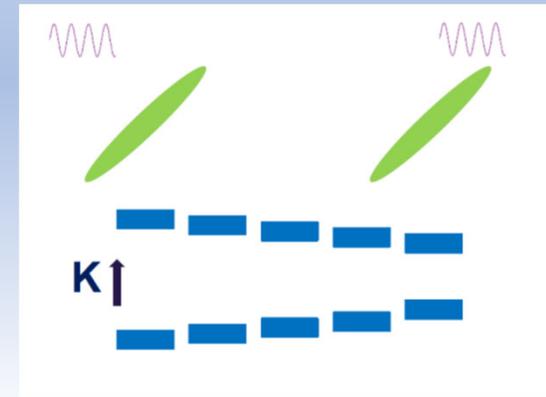
Low emittance injector gives 0.1 mm-mrad

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# Beam quality considerations

- Witness beam emittance needs to be preserved at 100 nm level
- Energy spread < 5e-4
  - Assuming 10 ps accelerating wave period (i.e. plasma density  $10^{14}$  cc the witness injection length is < 50 fs)
- Chirp and cooperation length.
  - Especially at the shortest wavelengths (where afterburner will be most useful) cooperation length can be kept very short and lasing can occur even for chirped beams (i.e. energy chirp parameter  $\ll 1$ )
  - Example: For 4 GeV gain, max chirp on the beam is 7 MeV/um. But  $L_{\text{coop}}$  is typically < 0.1 um so energy spread in a slice is much less than 5e-4.
- Chirp can be used to enhance current (PAX scheme)



$$\hat{\alpha} = -\frac{d\gamma}{dt} \frac{1}{\gamma_0 \omega_0 \rho^2} \quad \text{energy chirp parameter}$$

$$b_1 = -\frac{\lambda_w}{4\pi\rho^2} \frac{K(0)}{1+K(0)^2} \frac{dK}{dz} \quad \text{taper parameter}$$

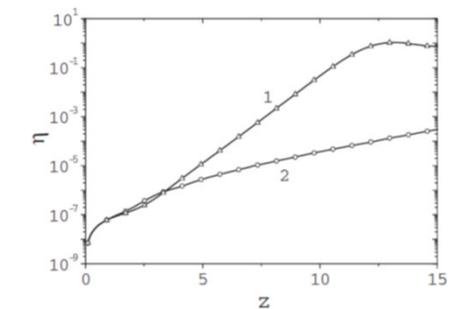
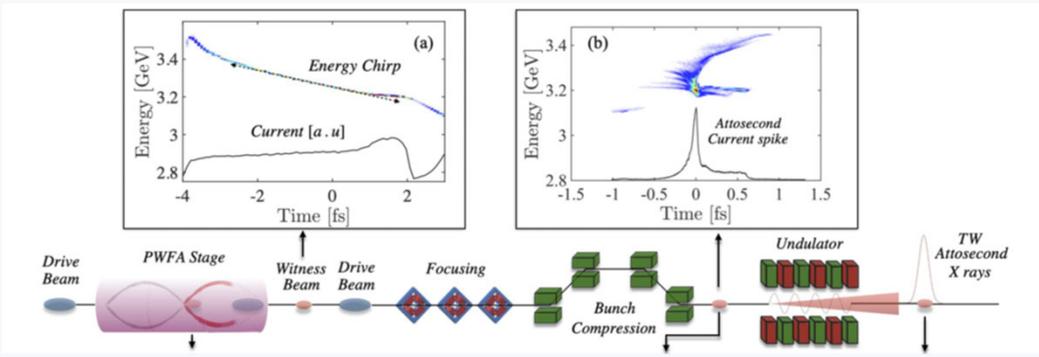


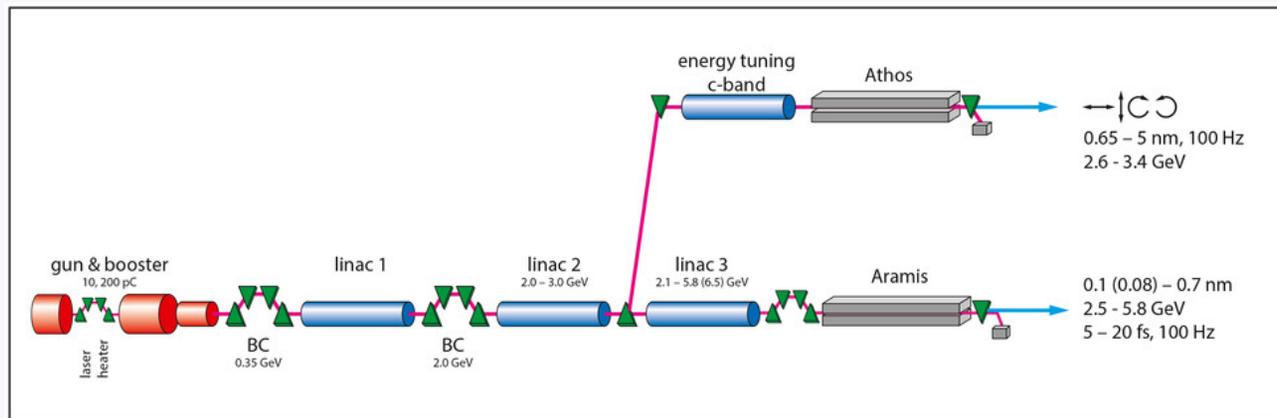
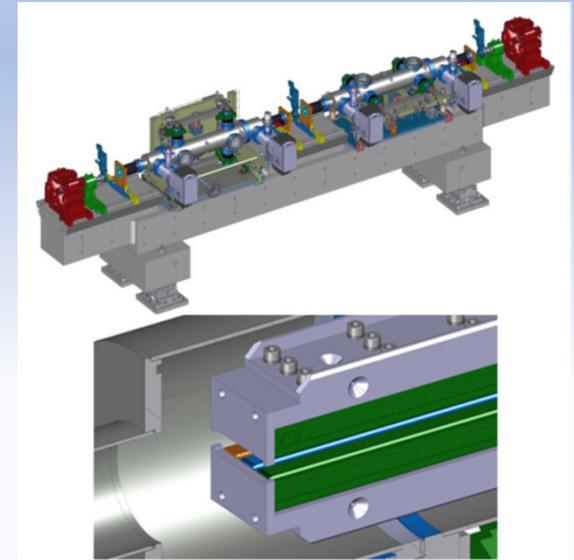
FIG. 3. Normalized power versus undulator length. Solid line 1:  $\hat{\alpha} = 0, b_1 = 0$ ; triangles:  $\hat{\alpha} = 4, b_1 = -2$ ; solid line 2:  $\hat{\alpha} = 4, b_1 = 0$ ; circles:  $\hat{\alpha} = 0, b_1 = 2$ .



From Schneidmiller, Saldin, Yurkov, PRSTAB 2006

# Dielectric Wakefield Accelerator experiment at SWISS FEL

- Aramis hard X-ray beamline
- Planar gap-adjustable 2 m long dielectric dechirper structures available
- 400  $\mu\text{m}$  thick Alumina coating
- Gap can be closed to  $< 0.5 \text{ mm}$
- Vertical and horizontal slabs to compensate emittance growth from quadrupole mode (C. Lu, PRAB 2016)



# Conclusion

- FEL afterburner is a scientific opportunity for advanced accelerators to make impact at large scale facilities
- GeV-scale relatively modest (<50 %) energy gain in short distances would already open new capabilities in most places.
- No additional drive power requirements !
  
- Conservative design allows to push on beam quality preservation
- Dielectric structures already under investigation at SWISSFEL.
- Plasma afterburner for LCLS-II-HE would need high brightness acceleration of witness beam at FACET-II.