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# IMAT Design Evolution

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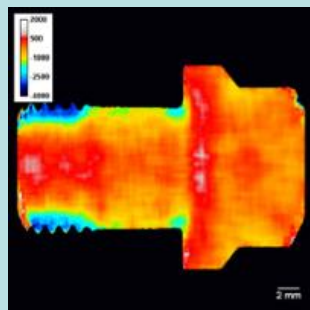
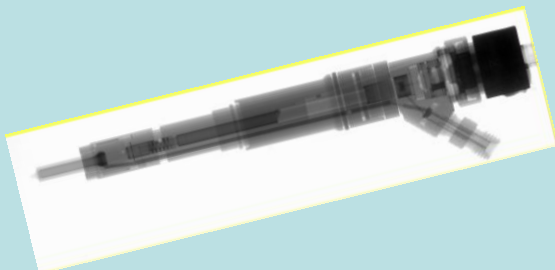
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# IMAT Science

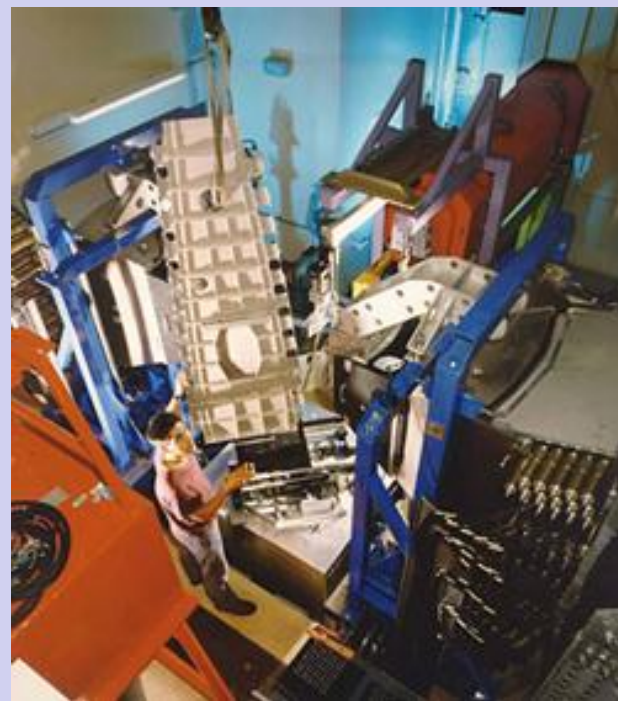
## TOF Imaging

Radiography Tomography  
Energy Selective Imaging



## Neutron Diffraction

Phase analysis  
Strain scanning

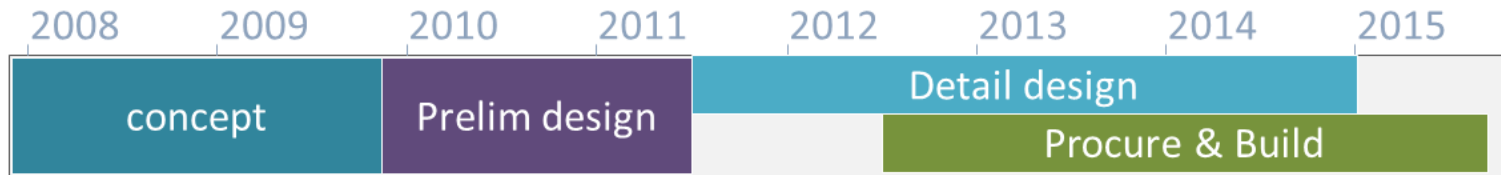
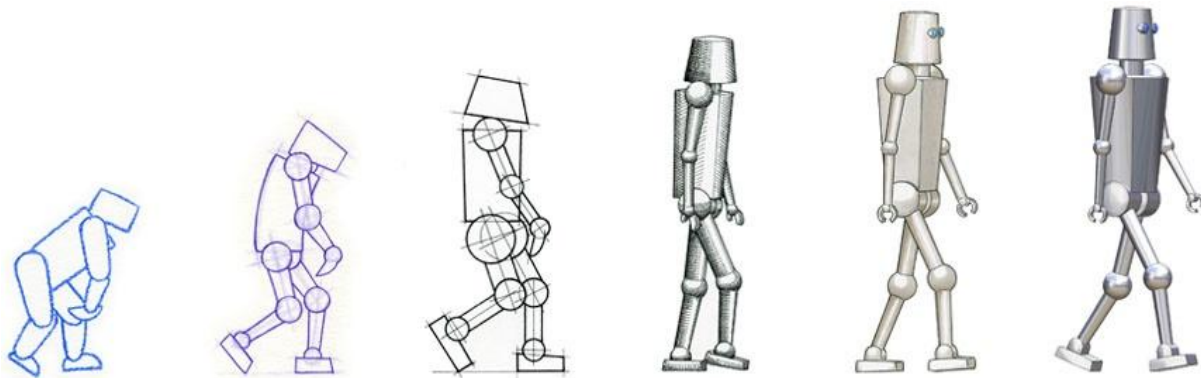




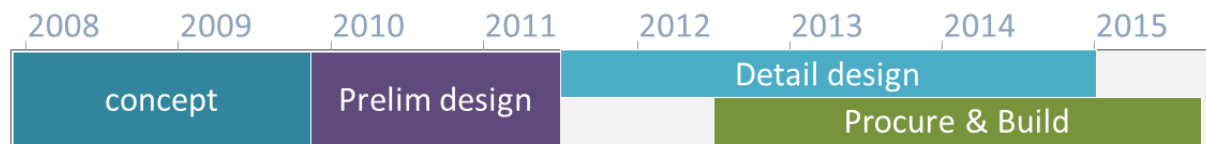
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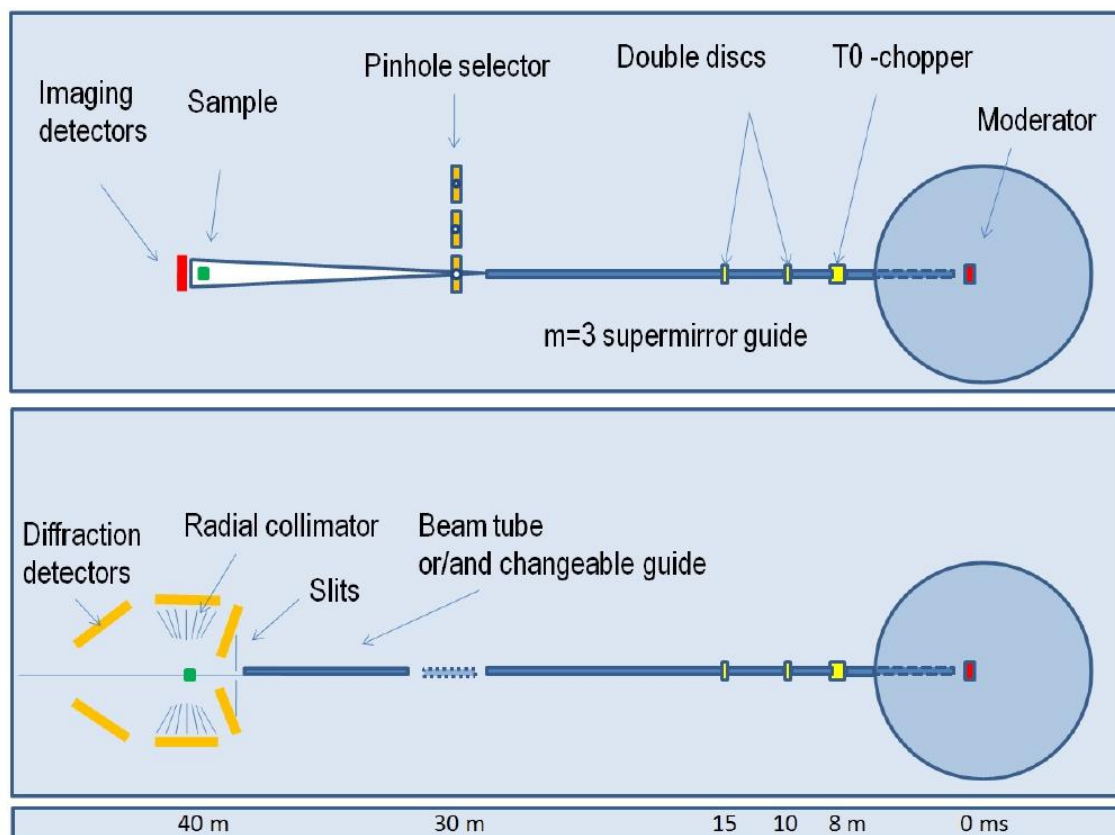
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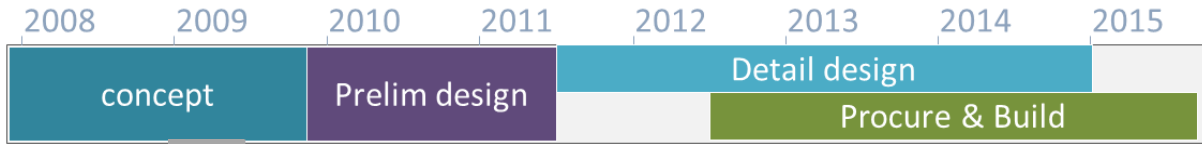
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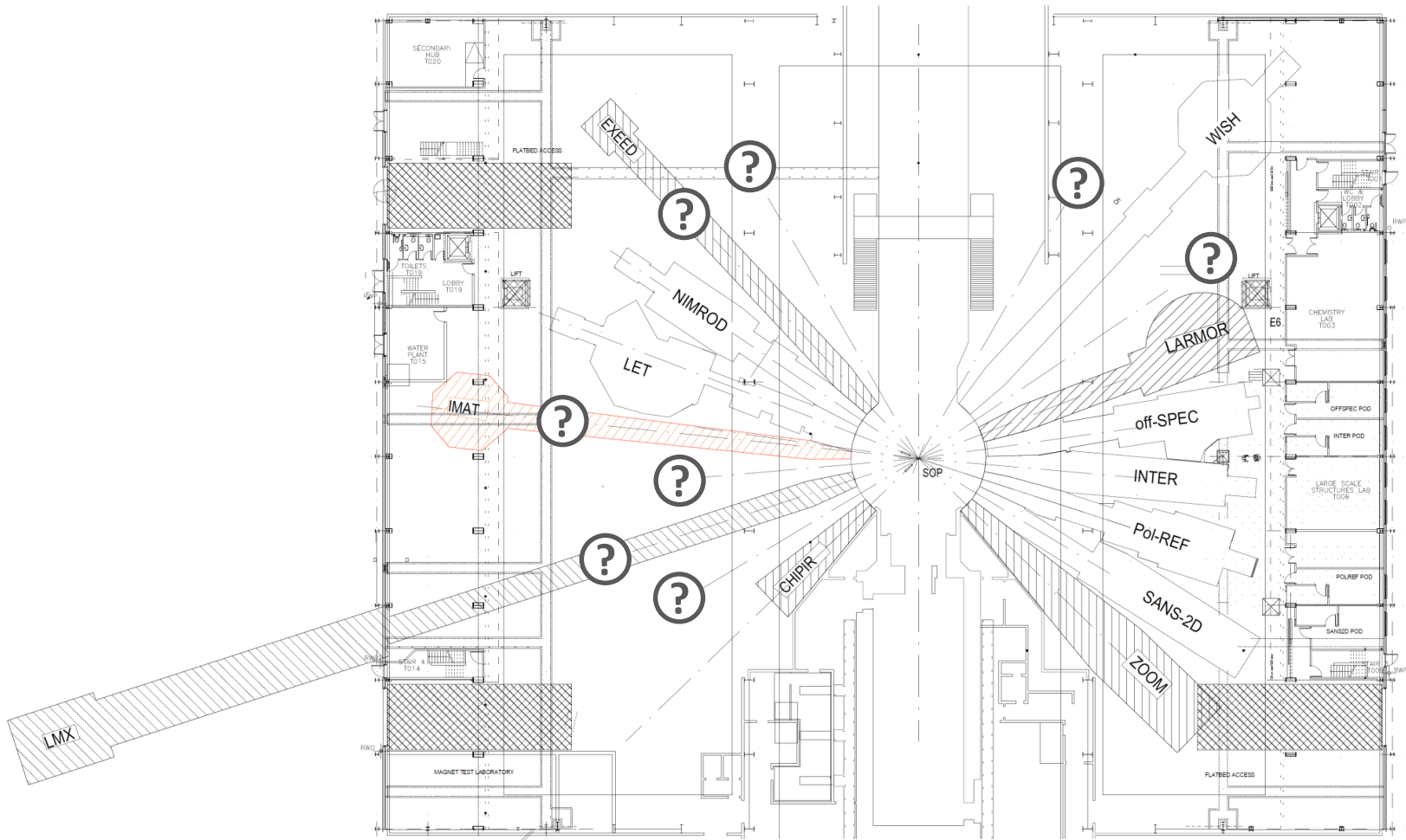
## 2008 Draft Proposal



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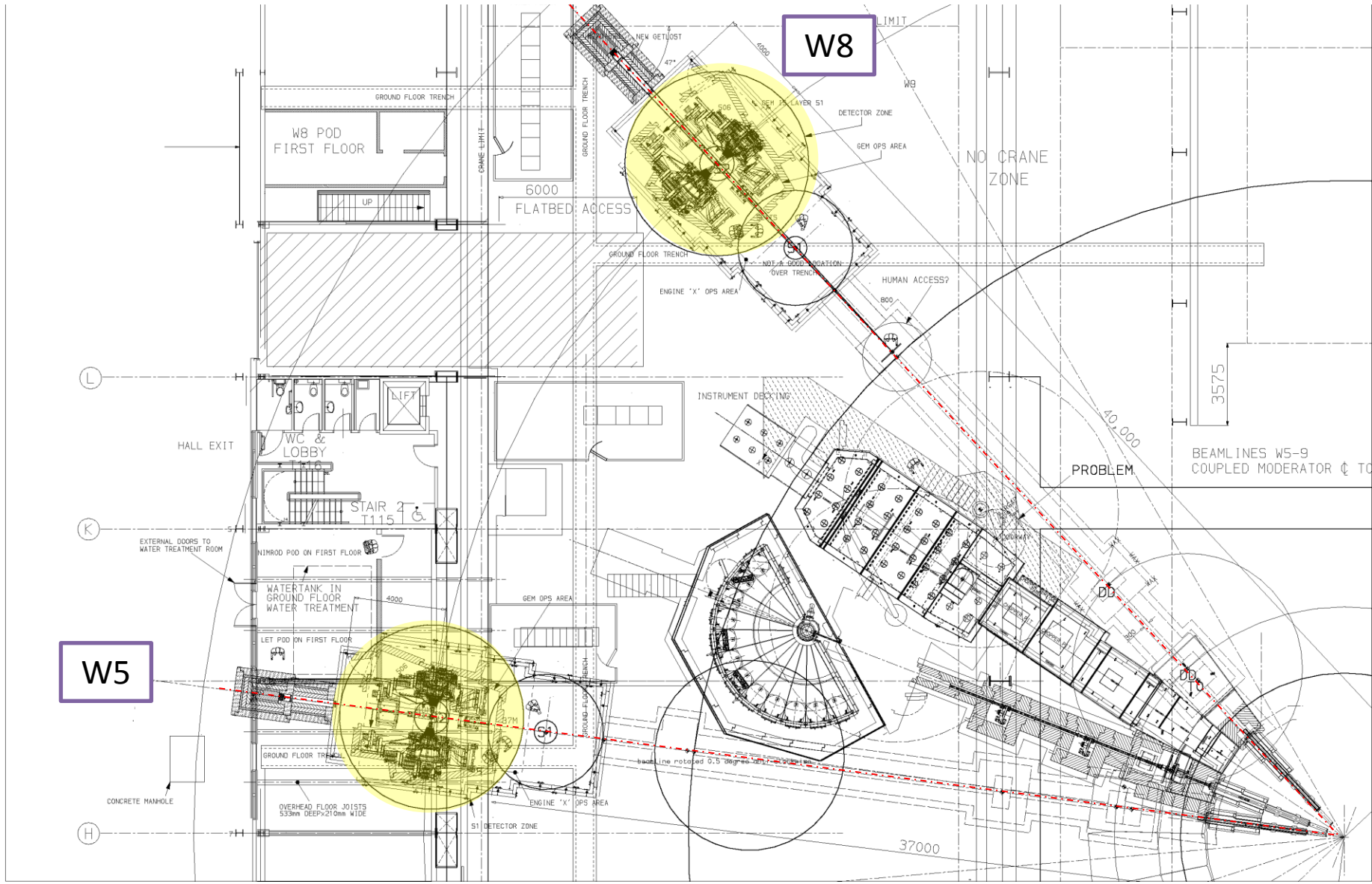
## IMAT position proposal





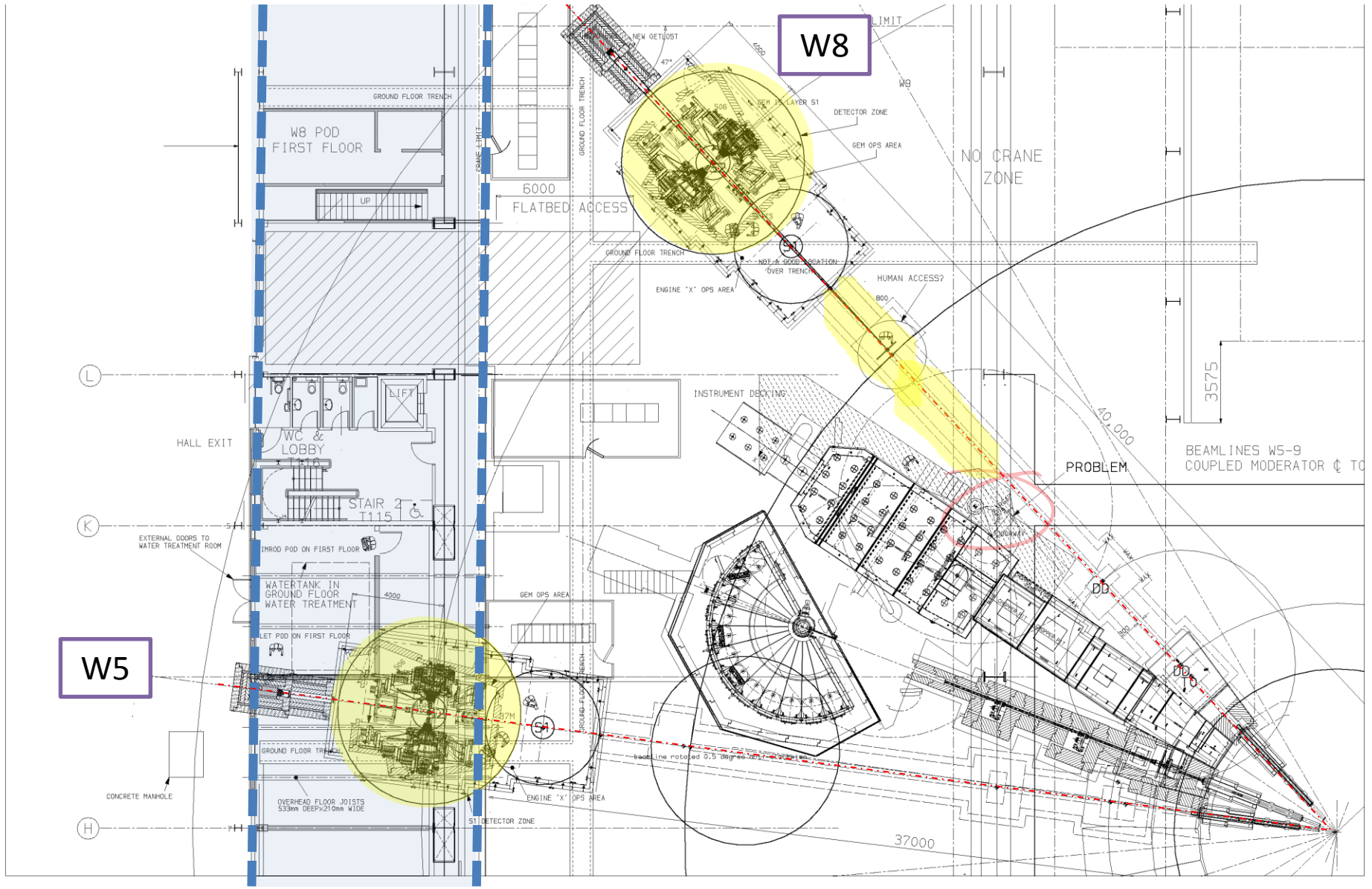
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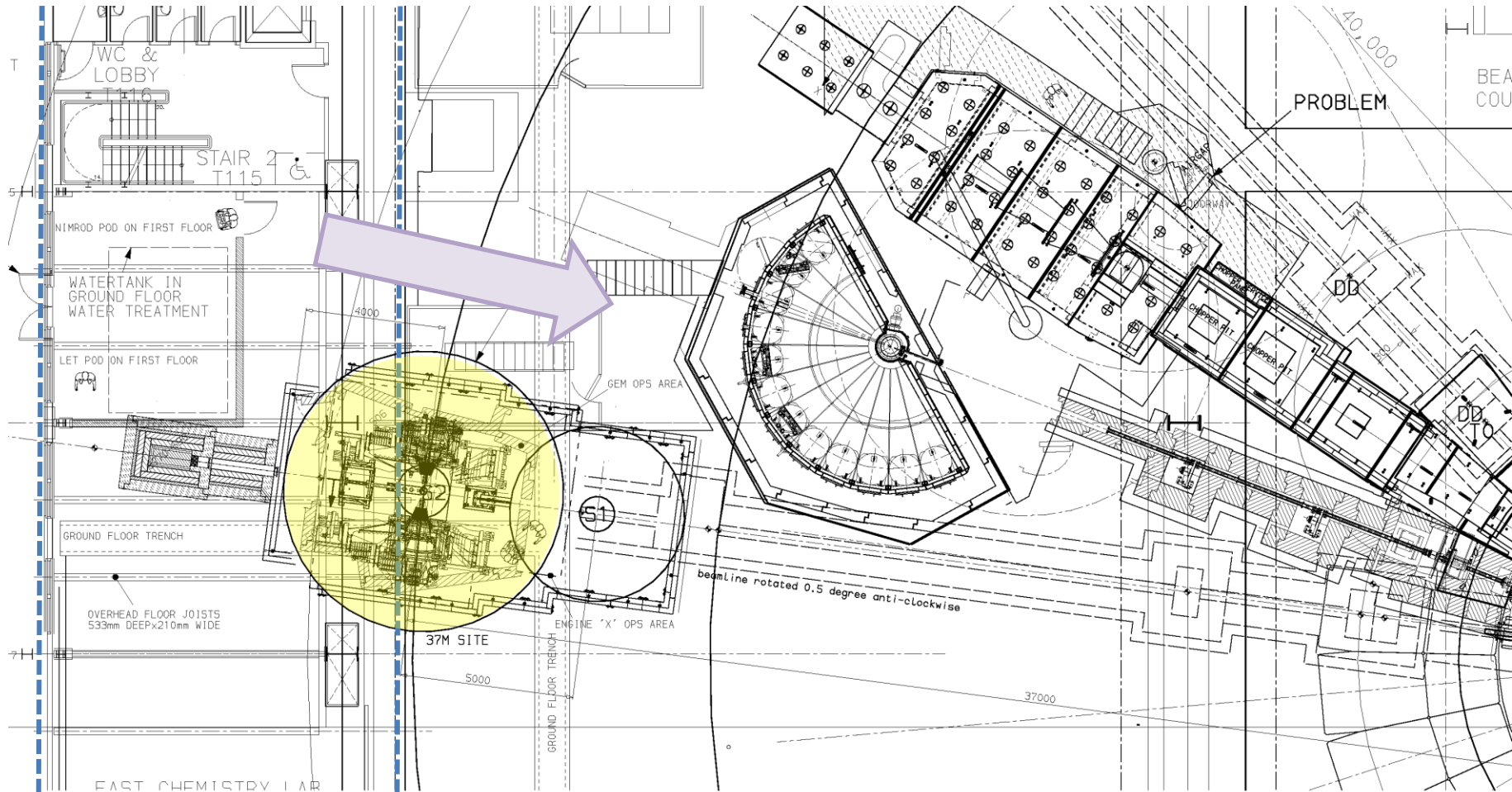
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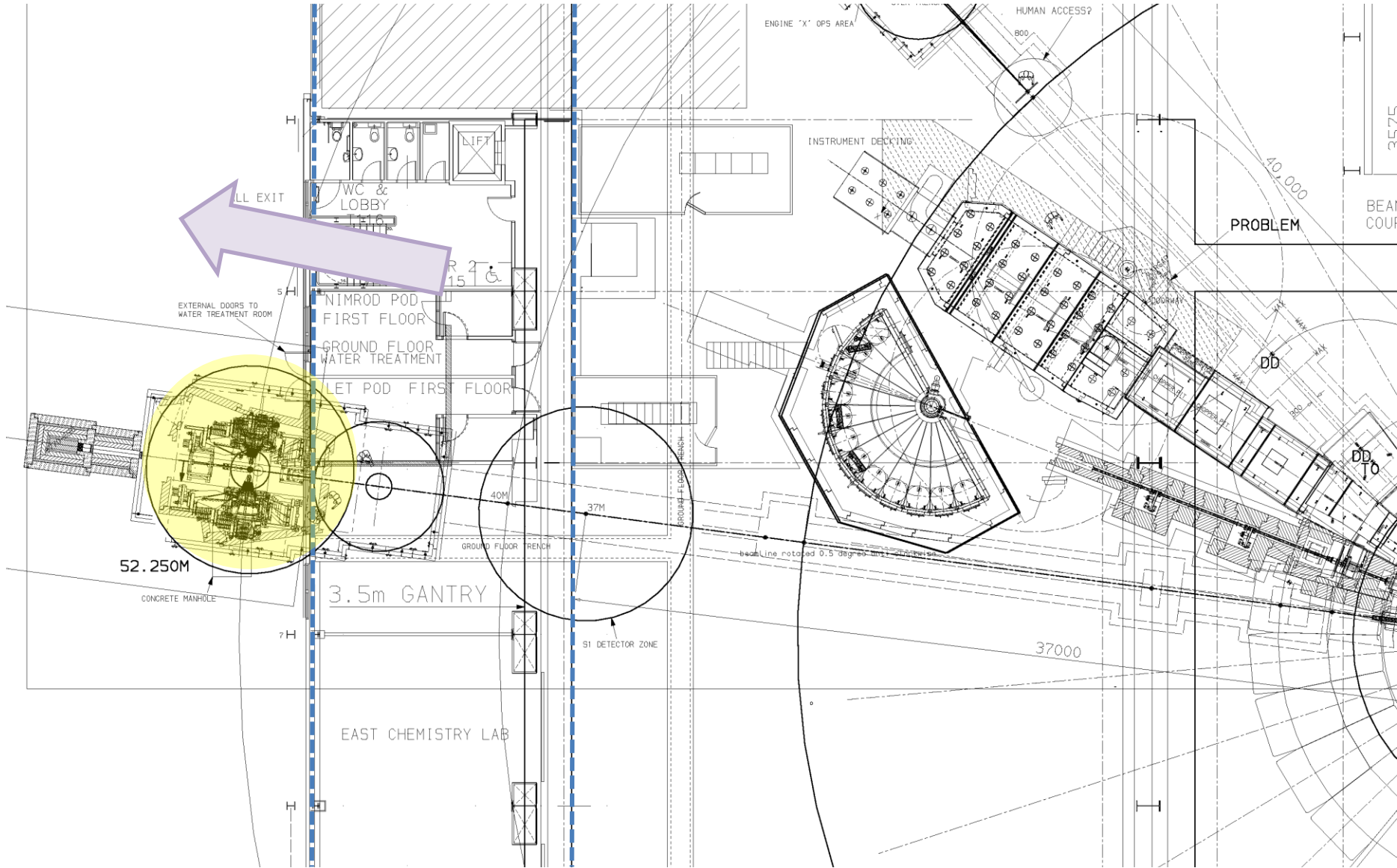
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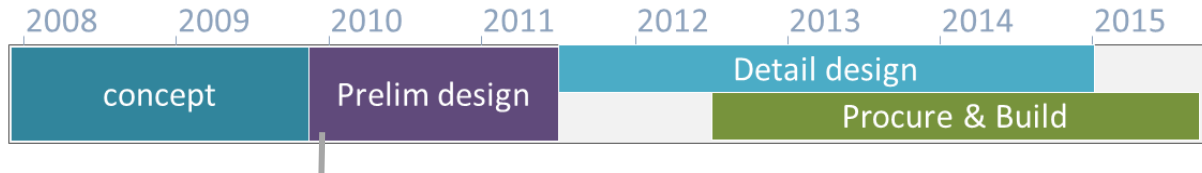


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## Jan 2010 - IMAT position decision

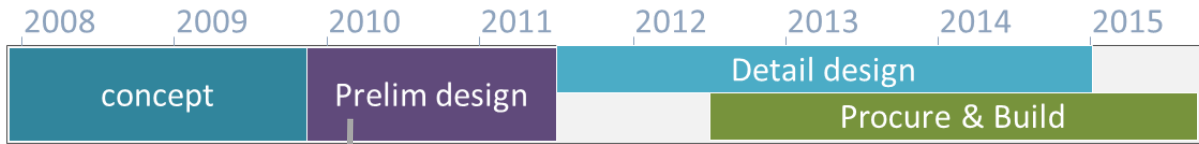
	Imaging/ Radiography	Strain analysis	Texture analysis	Access/ease of user operation	Overall rating
W5/L37	8.4	3	5.2	5	5.4
W5/L56	8.1	9	9.8	10	9.2
W8/L40	9.5	5	9.8	8	8.1

Kockelmann, W., Zhang, S. Y., Chapon, L. C. (2010) IMAT: performance evaluation report

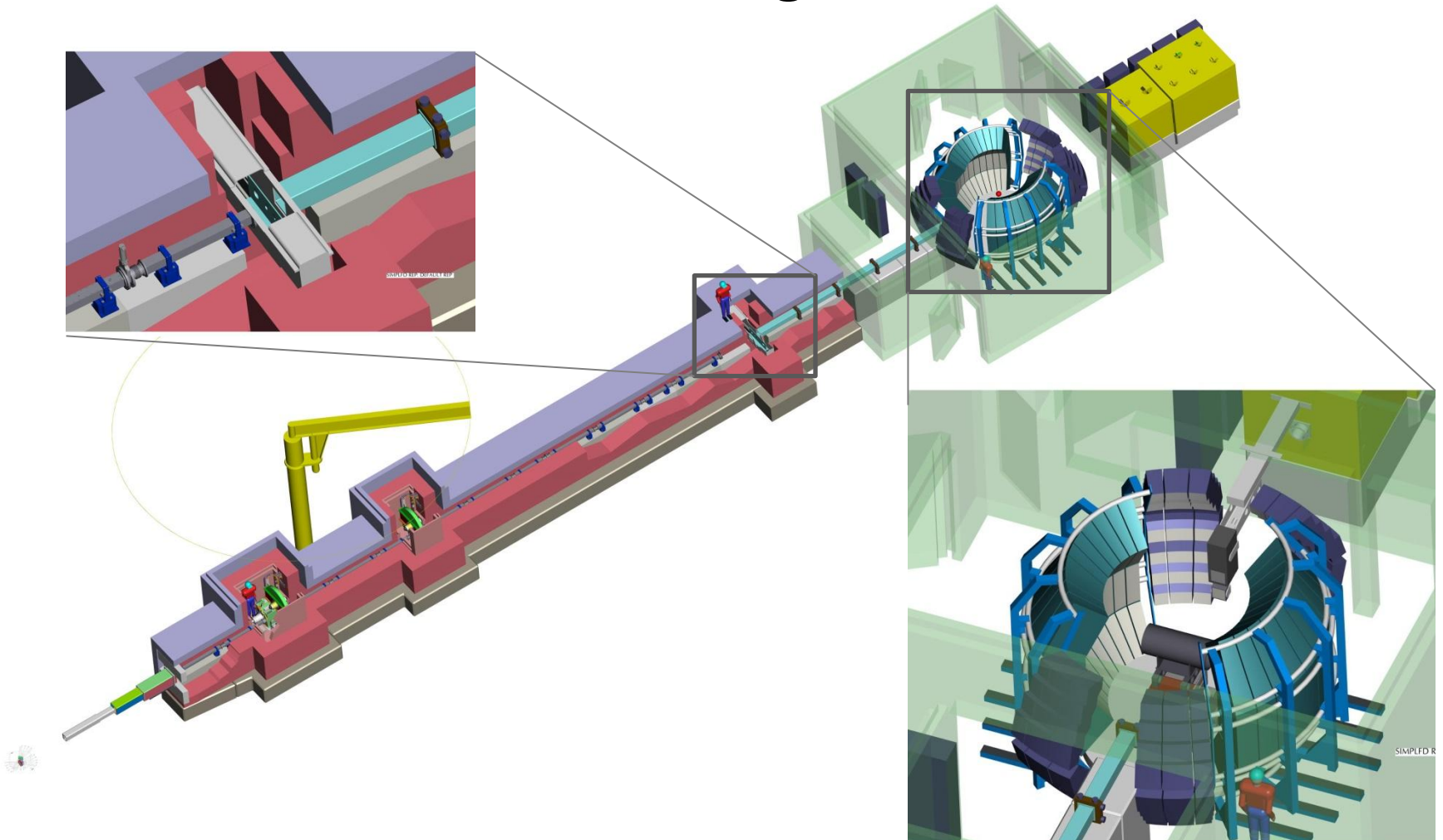
## Impact:

- Increase of instrument cost = £2m
- Increased complexity of design & build
- Increased timescale for evaluation and sign-off

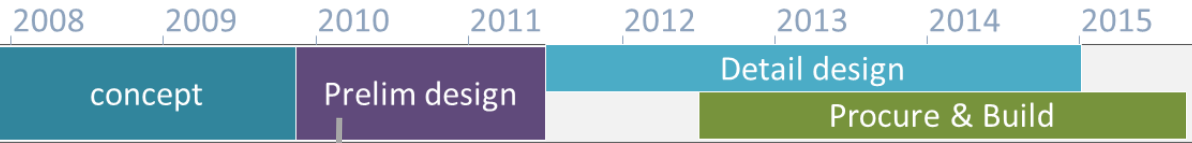
# Instrument Preliminary Design



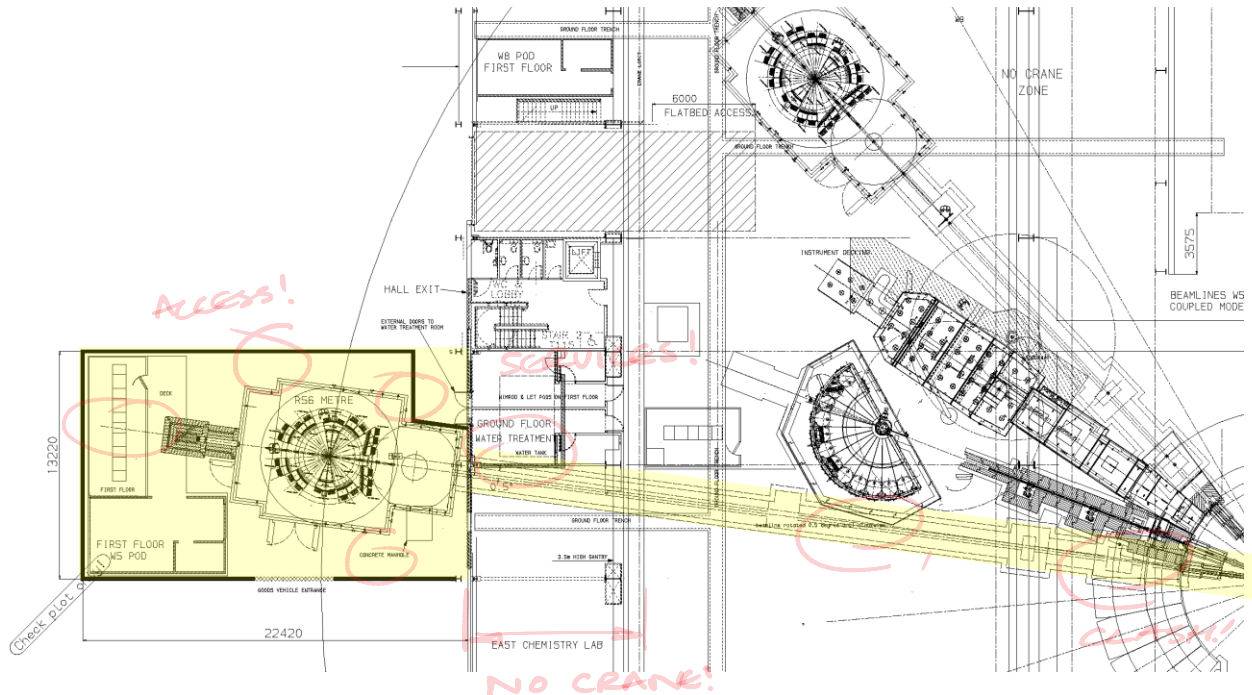
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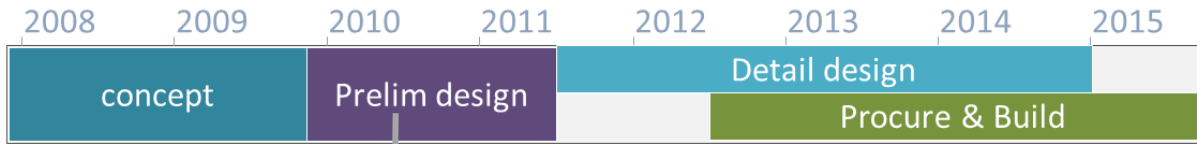
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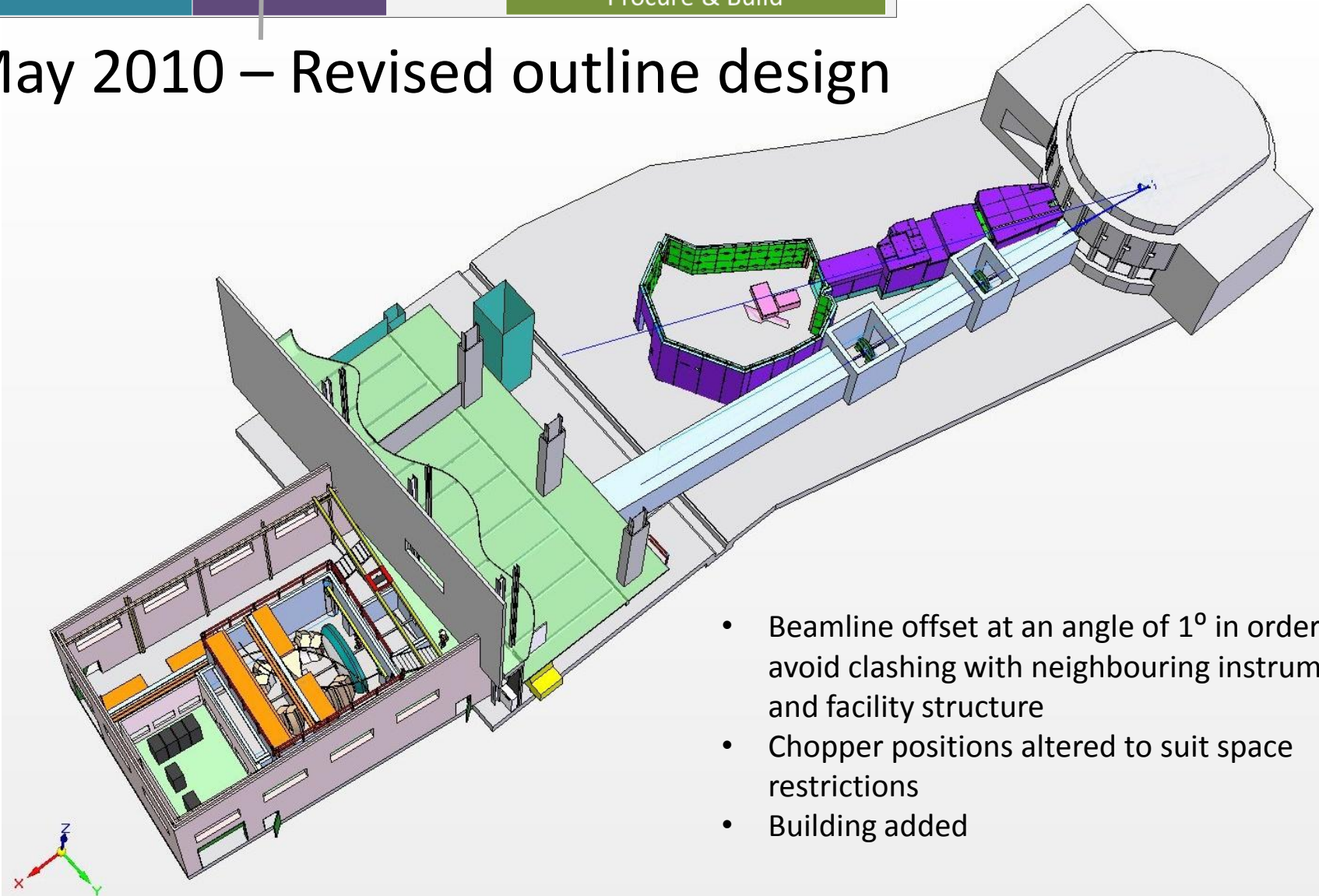
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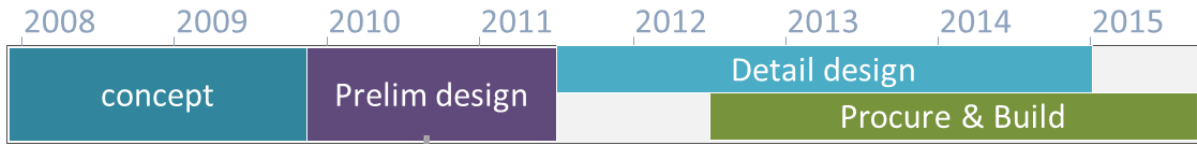
May 2010 – Revised outline design



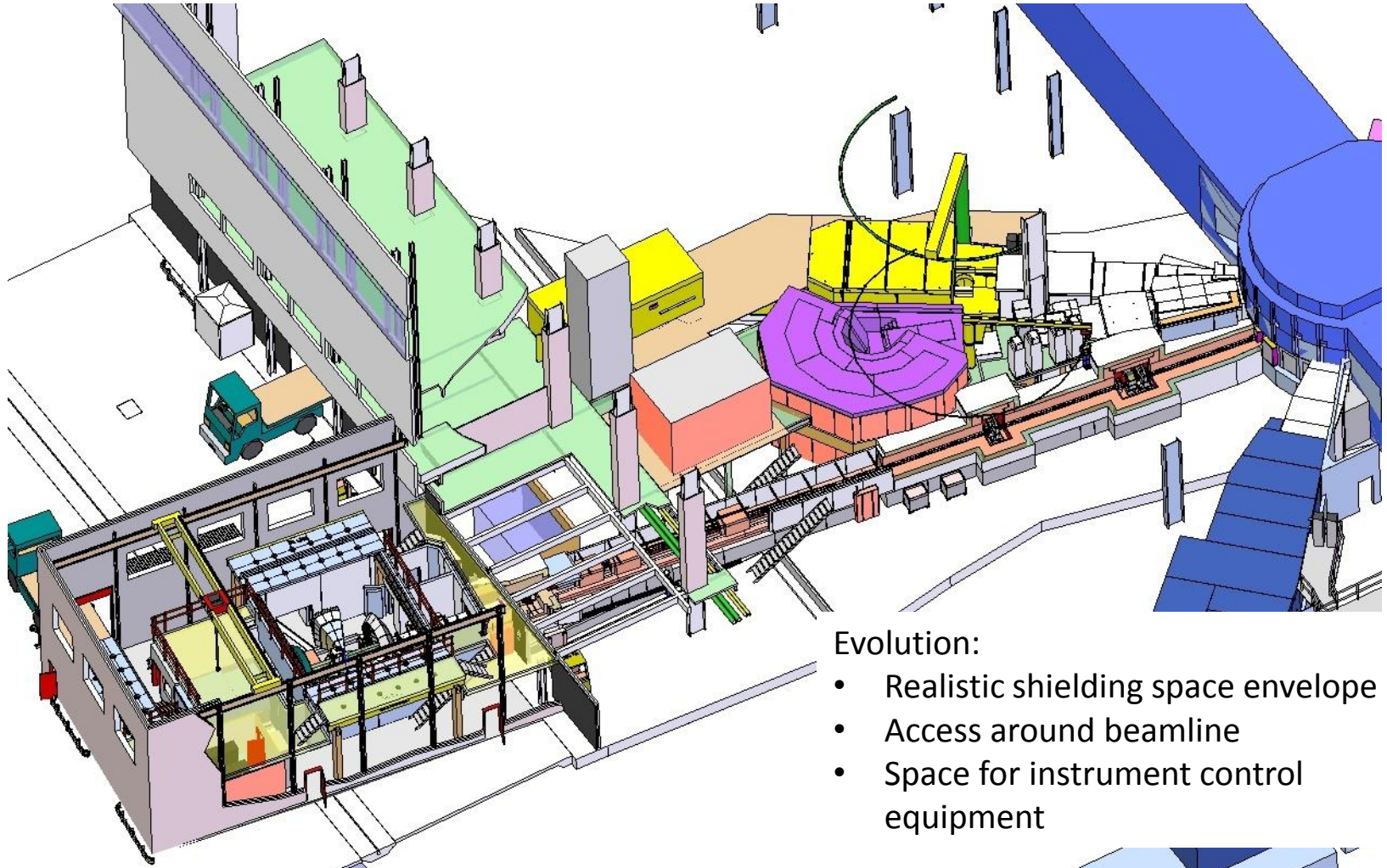
- Beamline offset at an angle of  $1^\circ$  in order to avoid clashing with neighbouring instrument and facility structure
- Chopper positions altered to suit space restrictions
- Building added



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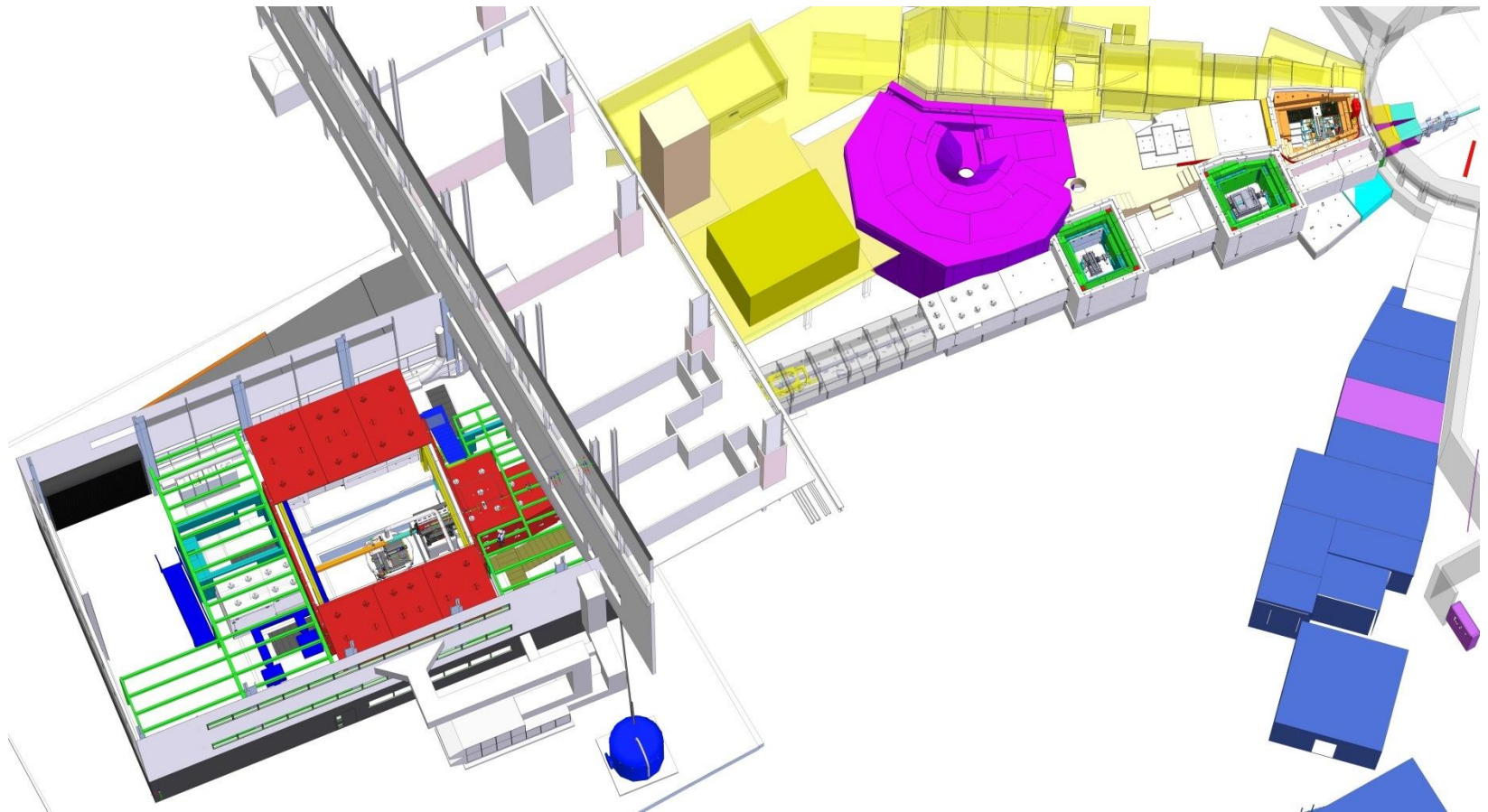
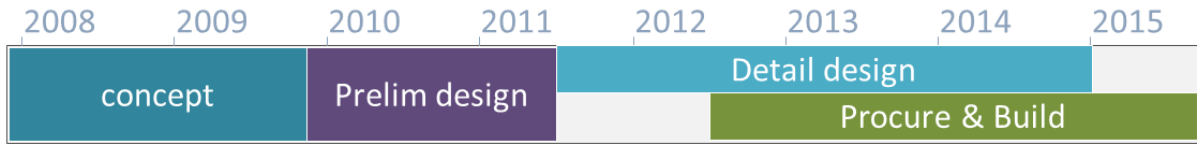
July 2010 – Developed outline design



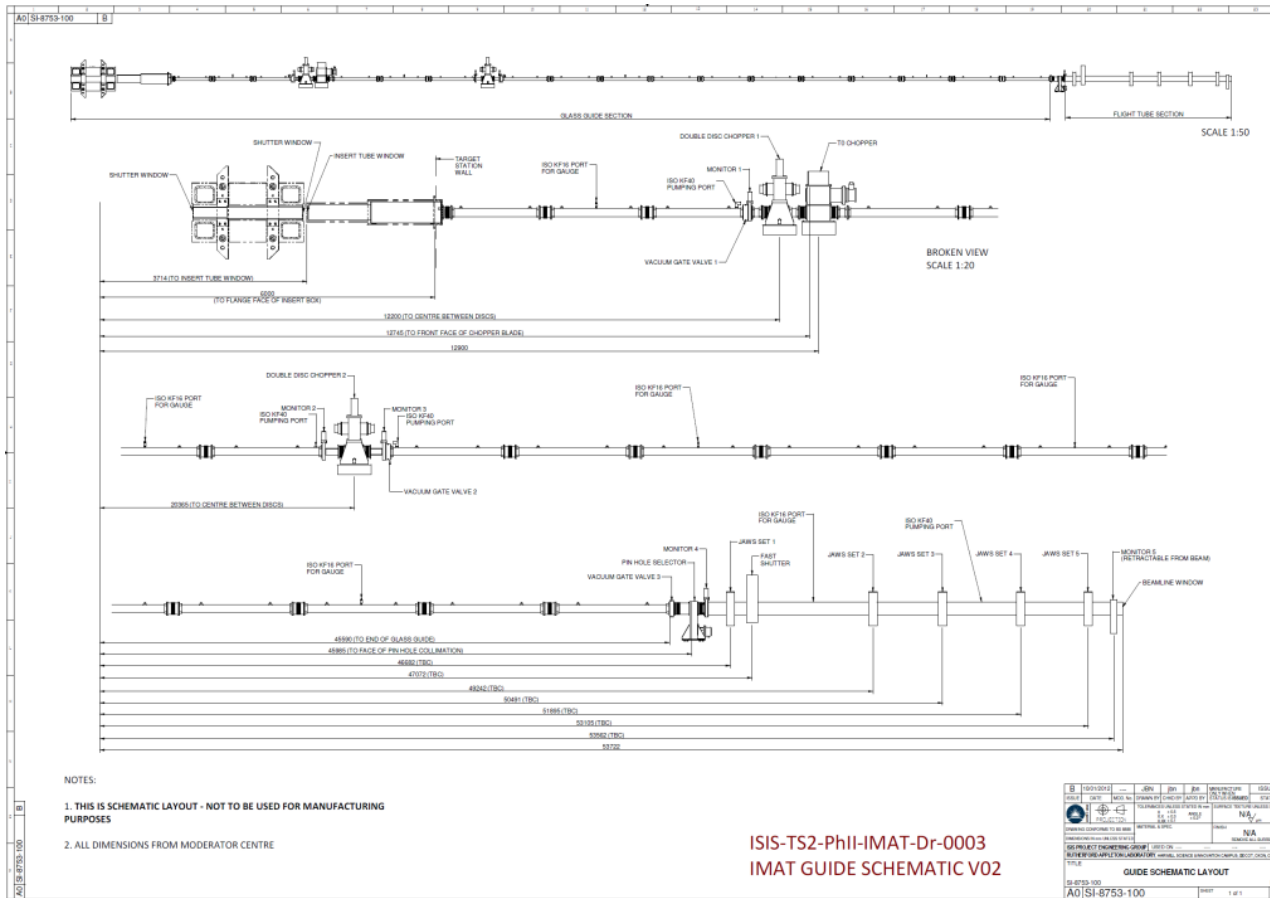
Evolution:

- Realistic shielding space envelope
- Access around beamline
- Space for instrument control equipment

# Instrument Detail Design

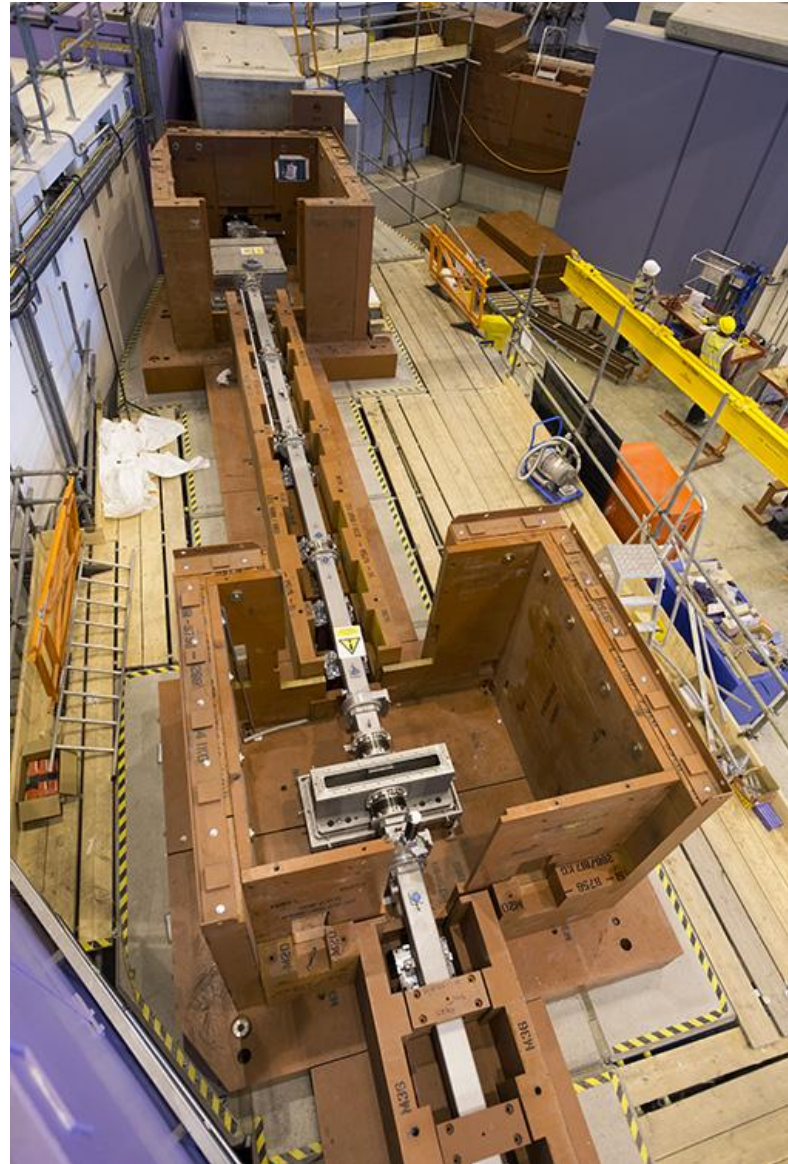


# Neutron Guide



- Straight 95x95mm M=3 super mirror guide
- Increase reliability
- Improve serviceability
- Improve diagnostic features

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Vacuum gate valve

Chopper housing

Diagnostic beam monitors

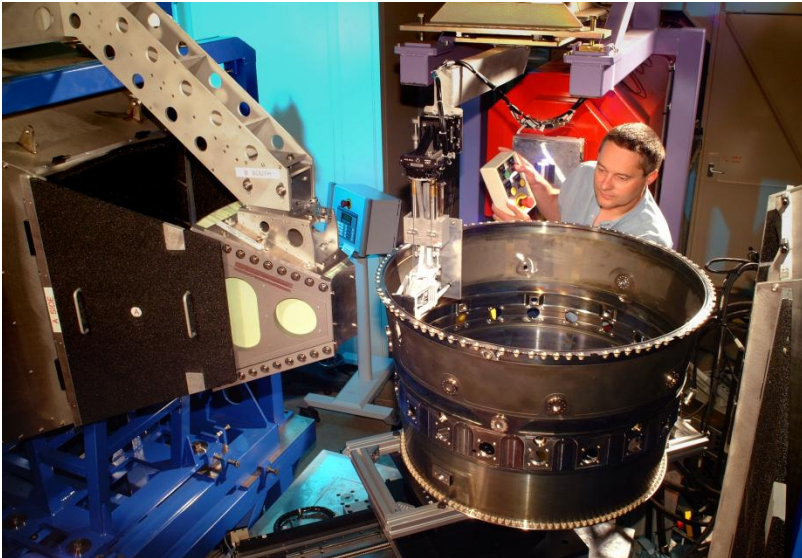
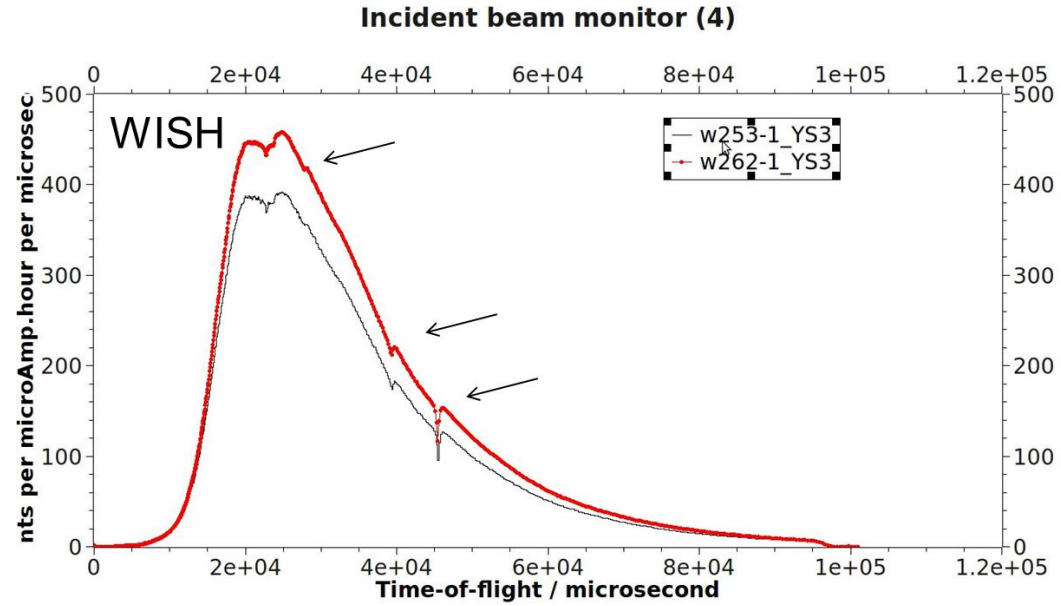
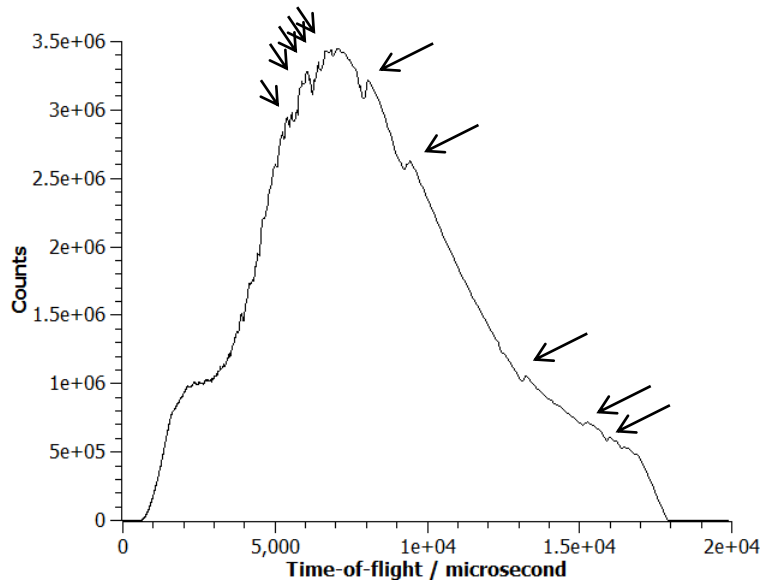
Survey nest points



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# Incident Beam Profile

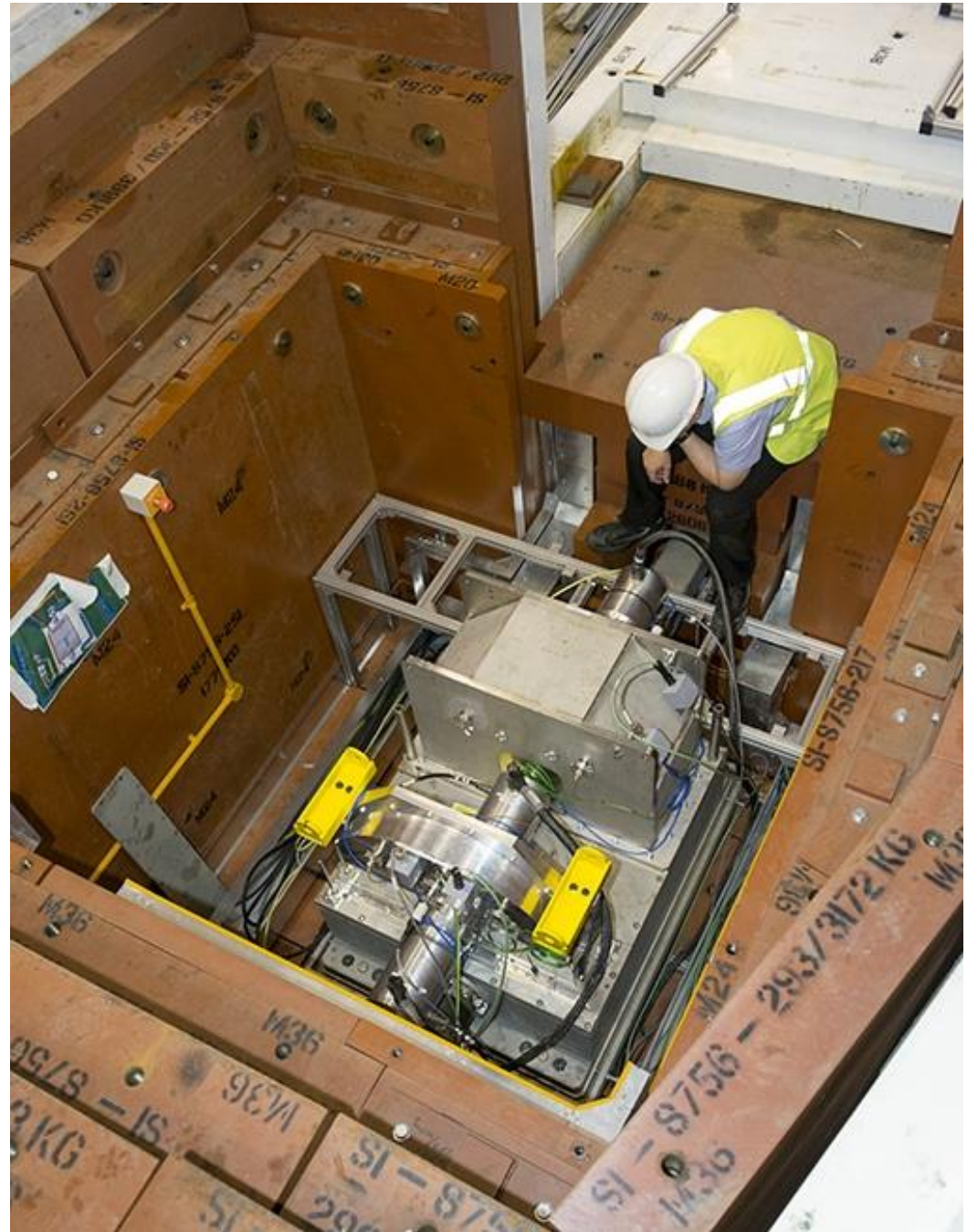




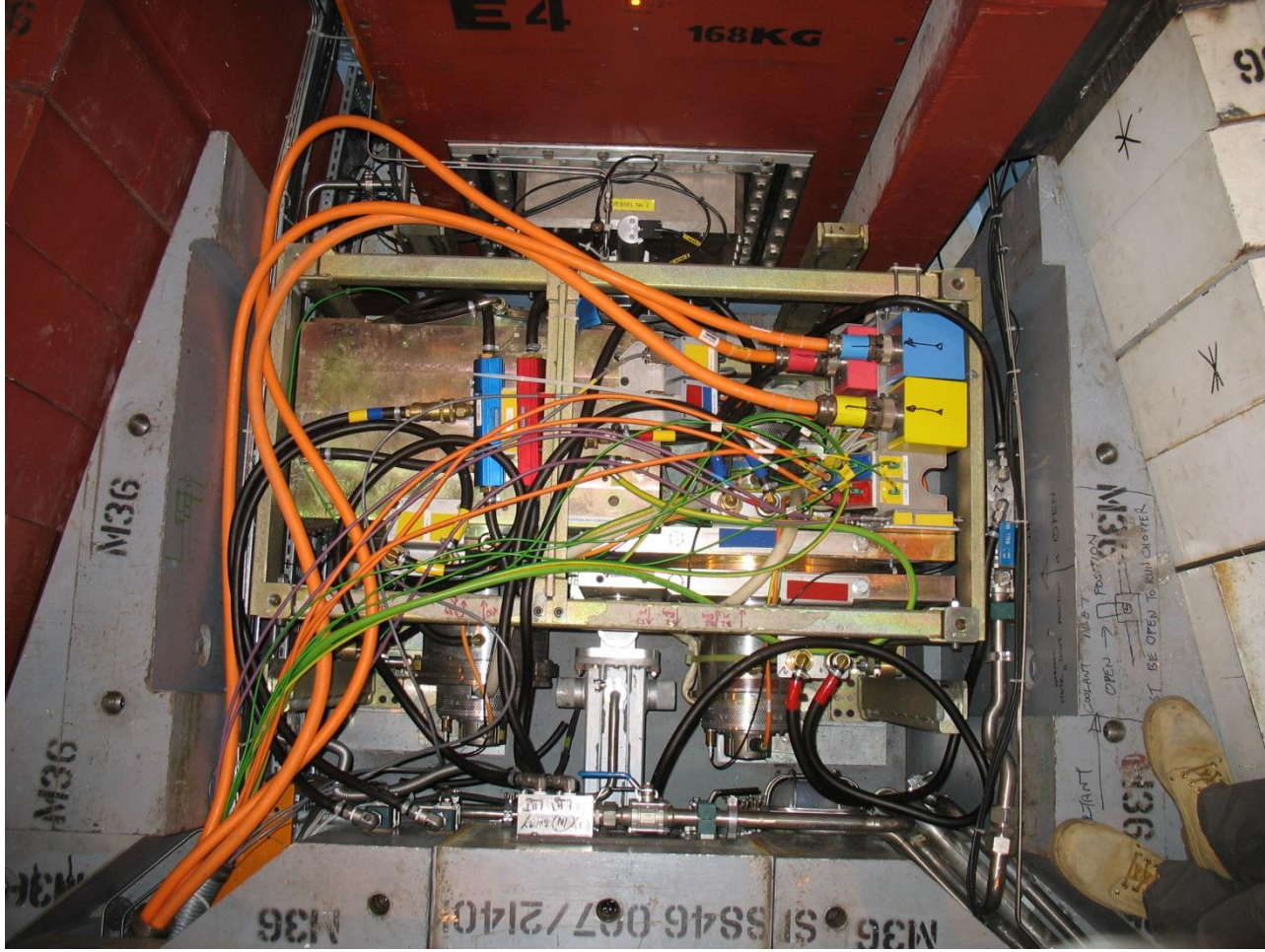
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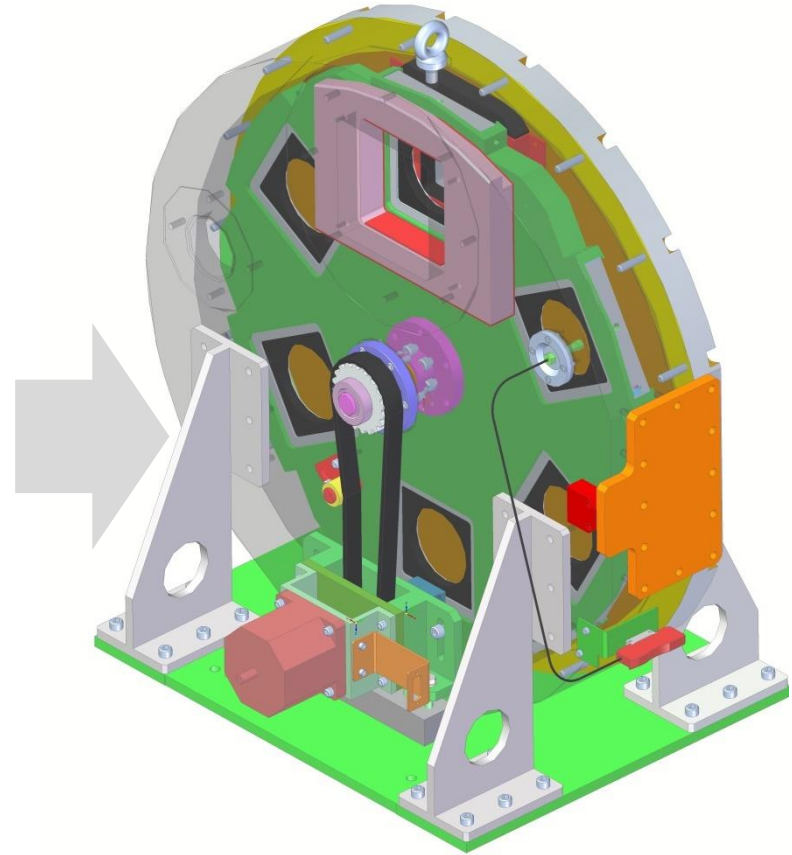
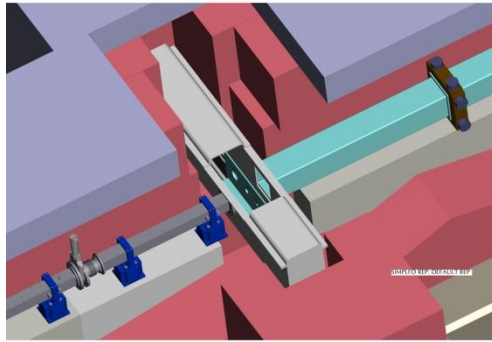
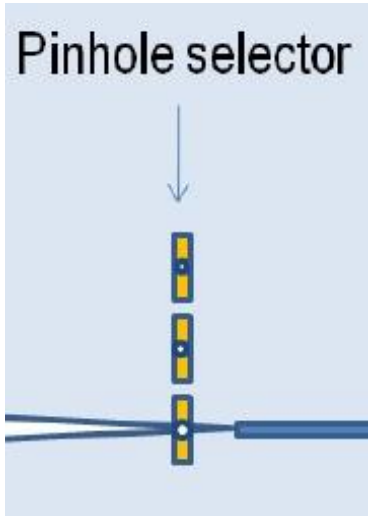
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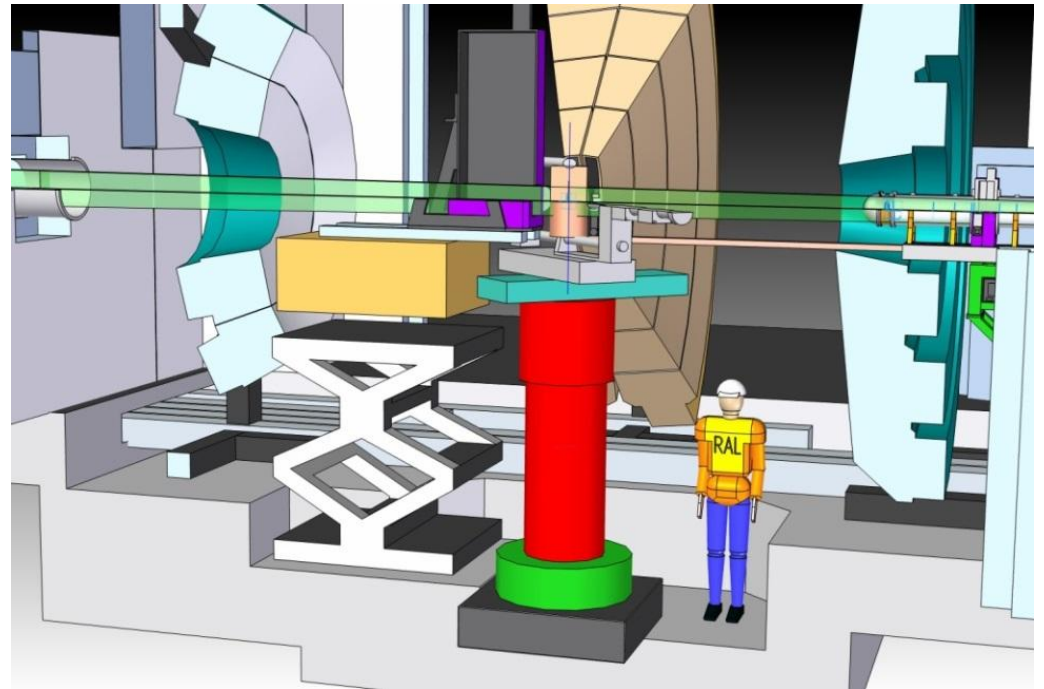
# Beam Collimation



# Sample Positioner

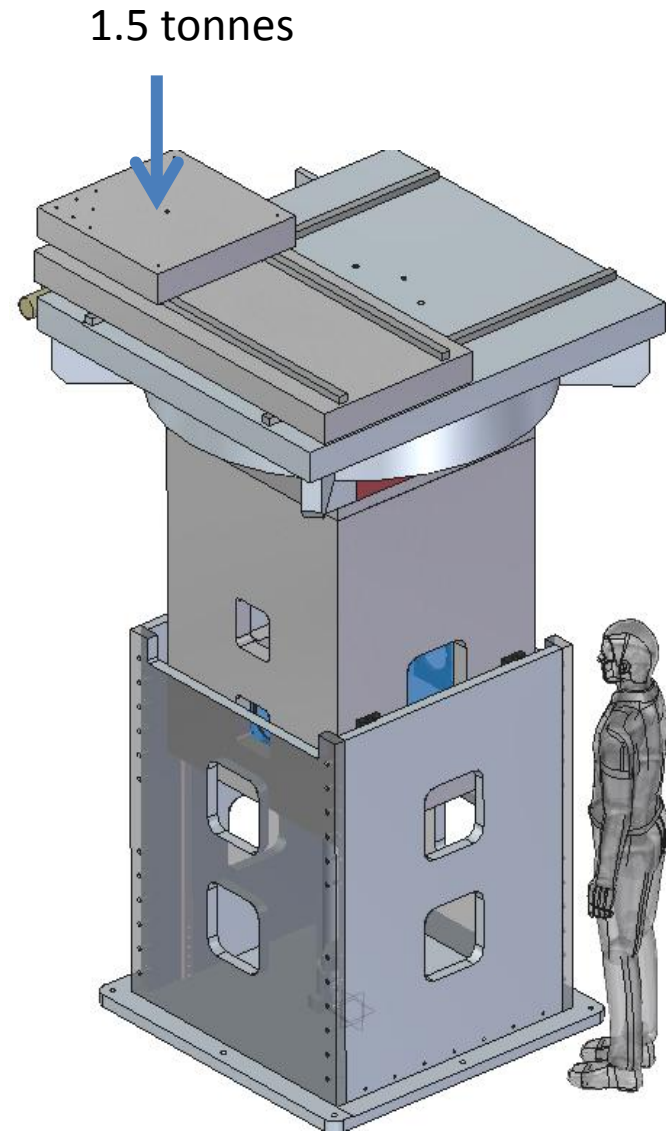
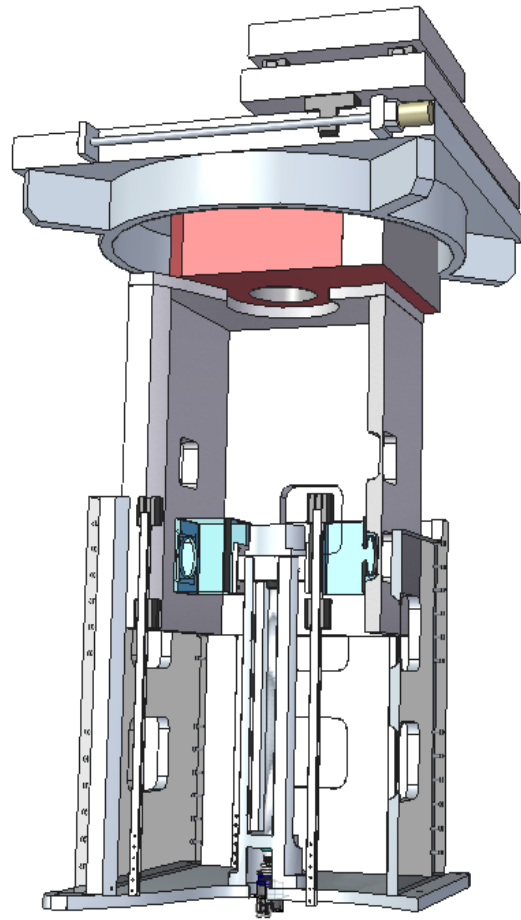
## IMAT Sample Positioning System

Axes of motion	7
Travel	
X	$\pm 500$ mm
Y	$\pm 500$ mm
Z	$\pm 500$ mm
$\theta_1$	370 degrees
$\Phi_1$	$\pm 15$ degrees
$\Phi_2$	$\pm 15$ degrees
$\theta_2$	Continuous rotation
Load	<b>1.5 tonnes</b>





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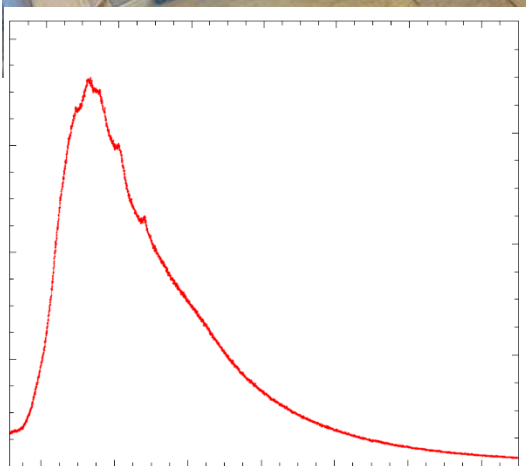
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# Questions?