

Nb-Material Preparation Plan at KEK and High-Pressure-Gas-Safety (HPGS) Constraints in Japan

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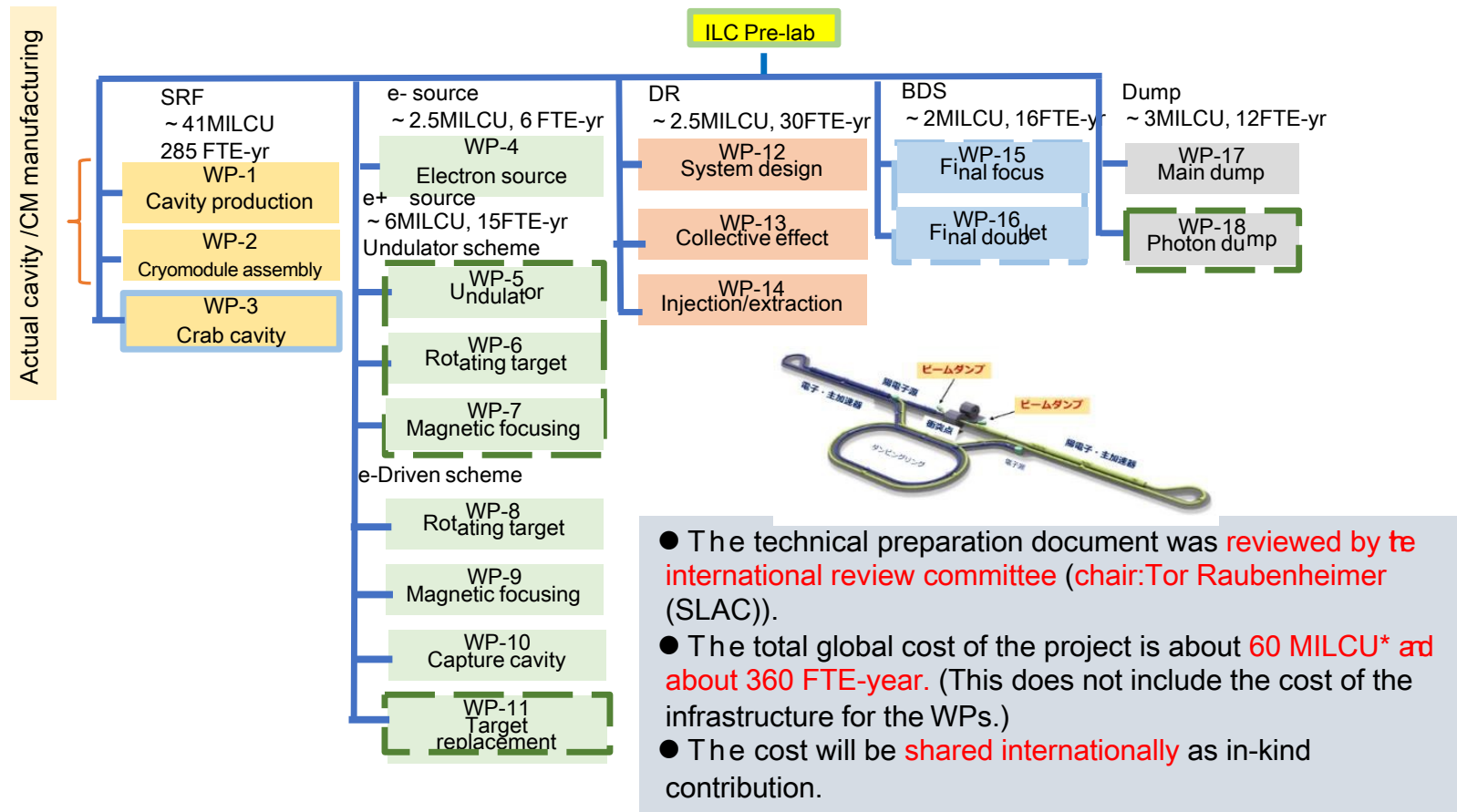
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ILC-IDT Technical Preparation toward Pre-lab

2021 May

IDT-WG2 summarized the technical preparation as **work packages (WPs)** in the **technical preparation document**.



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**Technical Preparation and Work Packages (WPs)
during ILC Pre-lab**

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Work Packages (WPs)



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Time-critical WPs for the ILC construction

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**Time Critical WPs
(~1/4 scale)
→ WP-Prime**

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https://agenda.linearcollider.org/event/9735/contributions/50816/attachments/38190/59968/Time-Critical_WPsV8b.pdf

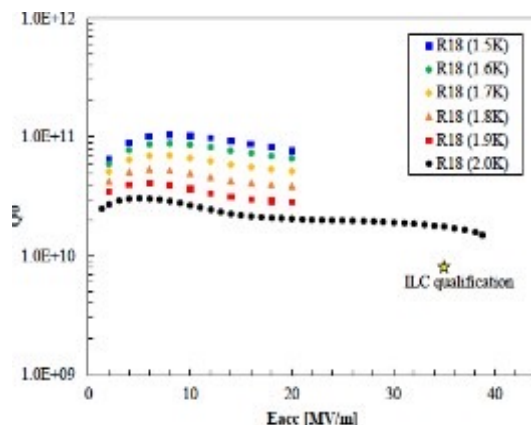
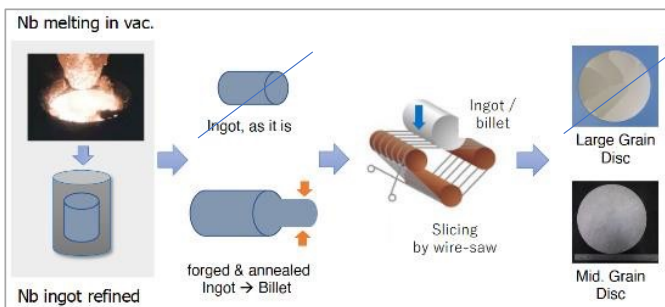
WP-prime 1: SRF Cavity

* Scoping the Industrial-Production Readiness

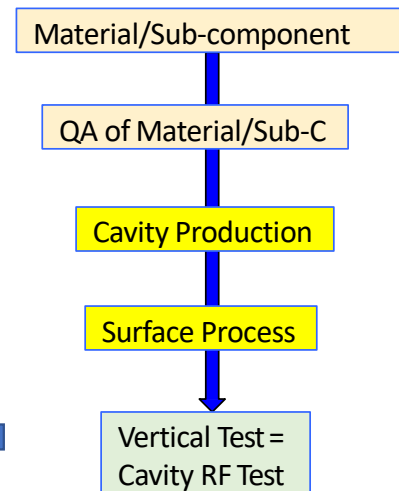
- ◆ Research with single-cell cavities to establish the best production process including:
 - ◆ Advanced Nb sheet production method
 - ◆ Advanced surface treatment recipe
- ◆ Globally common design with compatible High Pressure Gas Safety (HPGS) regulation
- ◆ 24 nine-cell cavities are to be developed for industrial-production readiness
 - ◆ 8 cavities (4 / batch) in each region
 - ◆ Production process encouraged to be optimized in each region
- ◆ RF performance/success yield to be examined (including 2nd pass and further)
 - ◆ 3rd pass to be examined if effective

Referring EuXFEL and LCLS-II experience

	Cavities to be produced		
	Americas	Europe	JP/Asia
single-cell	2	2	2
nine-cell	8	8	8 (+ 12)



JLAB meeting (Dec.5,2022)



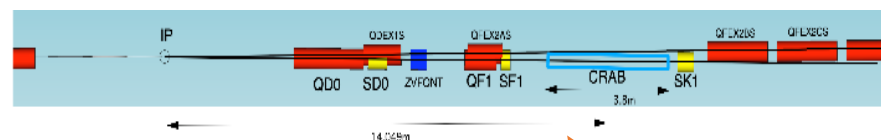
Production process

WP-prime 3: Crab Cavity Development with down-selection

- ◆ RF property simulation to optimize cavity design
- ◆ Pre-down-selection to choose two primary candidates
- ◆ Development and evaluation of **two prototype cavities**
- ◆ Demonstration of **synchronized operation** with two prototypes
- ◆ Down-selection to choose final cavity design
- ◆ Cryomodule design based on final cavity design

Item	Recent specification (after TDR)
Beam energy	125 GeV (e ⁻)
Crossing angle	14 mrad
Installation site	14 m from IP
RF repetition rate	5 Hz
Bunch train length	727 μsec
Bunch spacing	554 nsec
Operational temperature	2.0 K (?)
Cavity frequency	1.3/3.9 GHz
Total kick voltage	1.845/0.615 MV
Relative RF phase jitter	0.023/0.069 deg rms (49 fs rms)

two beamline distance 14.049 m x
0.014rad = **197mm**

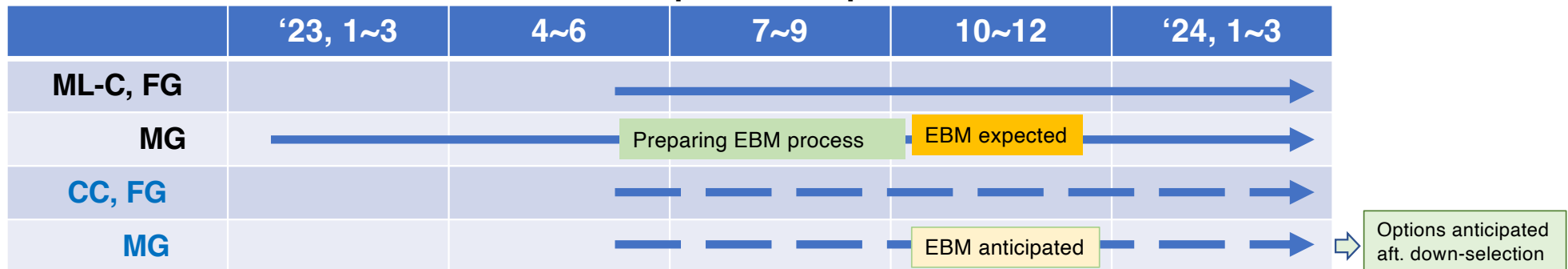


Elliptical/Racetrack (3.9 GHz)	Lanc. Univ.	
RF Dipole (RFD)	ODU	
Double Quarter Wave (DQW)	CERN	
Wide Open Waveguide (WOW)	BNL	
Quasi-waveguide MultiCell Resonator (QMIR)	FNAL	

Nb FG-sheets / MG-disks Fabrication expected in JFY2023

	Test	Prototype	Test	Prototype	Sum (FG+MG)
ML-Cavity	FG 1-cell	FG 9-cell	MG 1-cell	MG 9-cell	9-cell
AS	(1)	[4 +6] +1	(1)	[4 +6] +1	22
AMs	(1)	4 + 0.5	(1)	4 + 0.5	9
EU	(1)	4 + 0.5	(1)	4 + 0.5	9
Procured (Bidding)	20 x (18+2) sheets (~1.5 m ingot -> 400 sheets (before Summer))		20 x (18+2) disks (~1.2 m billet → 400 disks) (process started)		40 Cavities
BDS-CC					
Type 1	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Type-2	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

Procurement process expected



Requirements for Nb Material

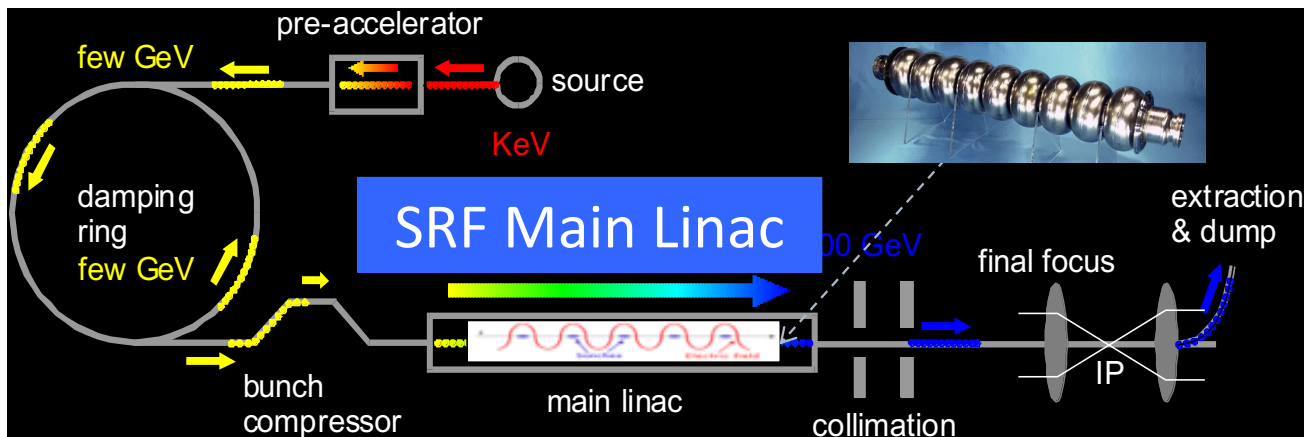
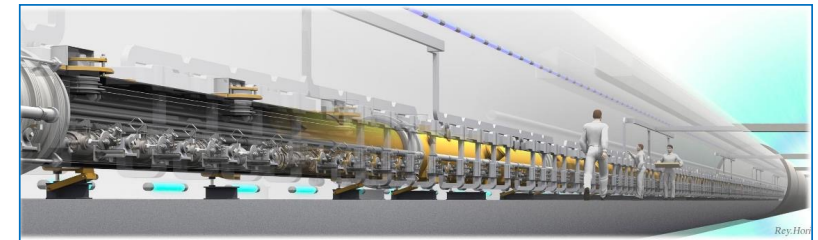
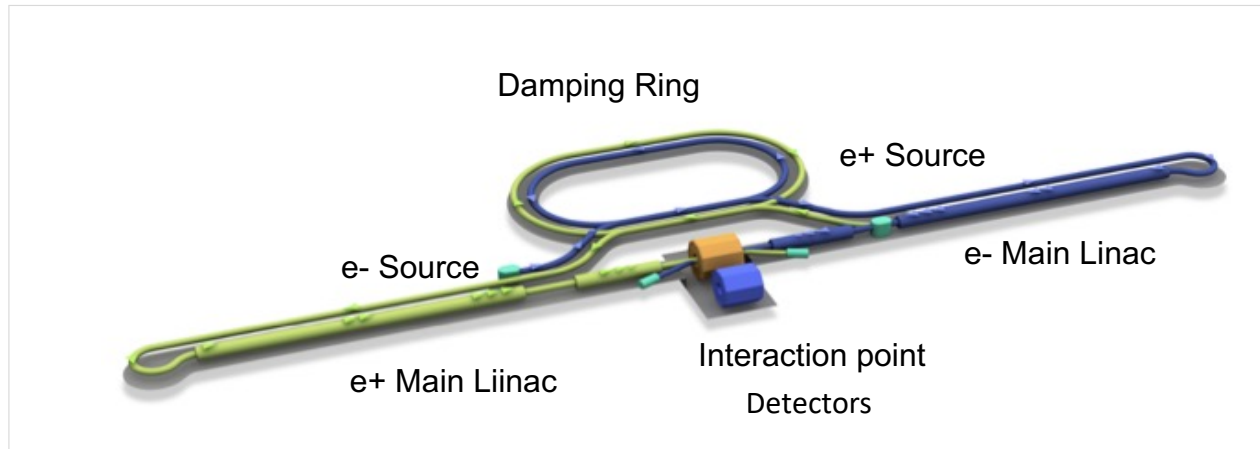
Characteristics	FG	MG	Note
Chemical composition*	ASTM B393-09 Type5, EuXFEL, LCLS-II equiv.	Same	
Residual R. Ratio	≥ 250	Same	R(RT) / R(~4K)
Tensile Strength	≥ 120 MPa	Same	@ RT
Yield Strength	≥ 39 MPa	Same	@ RT
Grain Size	≤ 0.1 mm (av.)	≤ 1 mm (av.)	+ Re-crystalization (%)
Size	~ 280 x 280 mm ² 2.8 mm, t	260 mmf x 1.5 m → ~ 500 disks (@ ~2.8 mm, t)	
Surface	(BCP aft. grinding)	(BCP aft. Slicing)	

*Remaining	C	N	O	H	Zr	Tn	Fe	Si	W	Ni	Mo	Hf	Ti	S
Upp. Limit [wt-ppm]	39	30	40	5	100	1000	50	50	70	30	50	50	50	10

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SRF: Key Technology at ILC:



Parameters	Value
Beam Energy	125 GeV
Beam Rep. rate	5 Hz
Pulse duration	0.73 ms
Av. field gradient	31.5 (35) MV/m +/- 20%
	$Q_0 = 1E10 (1.6E10)$
# 9-cell cavity (1.3 m)	~ 8,000 (x 1.1)
# cryomodule (12.m)	~ 900
# Klystron	~ 240

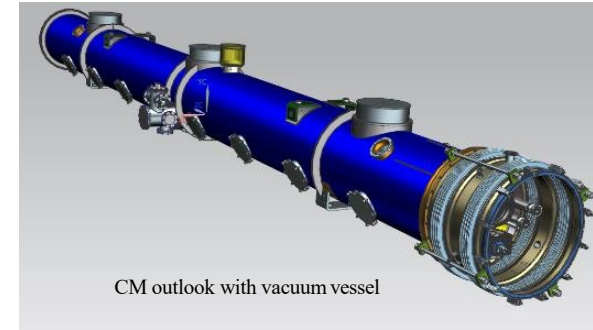
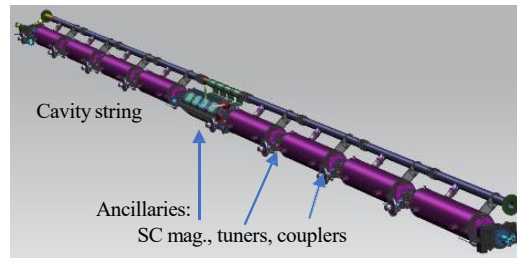
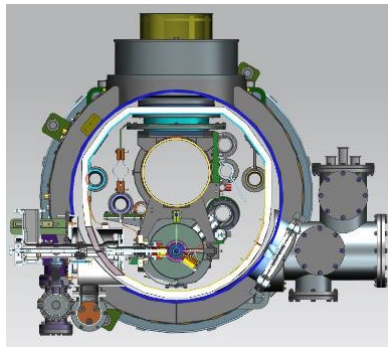
WP-prime 2: Cryomodule (CM) Design

(Scoping the CM Global Transfer and Performance Assurance)

Referring LCLS-II experience,

FNAL-JLAB-SLAC-Cornell

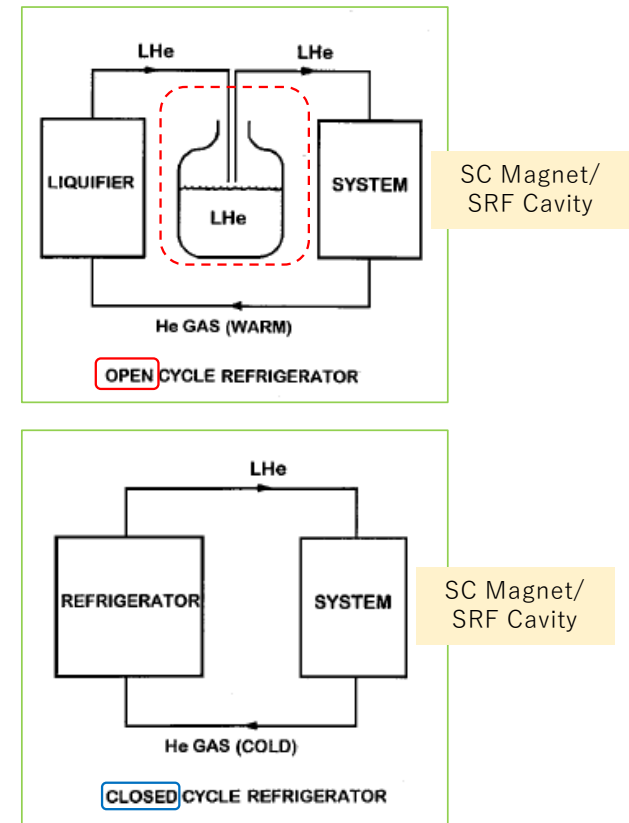
- ◆ Unify cryomodule (CM) design with ancillaries, based on **globally common engineering design**, drawings & data-base, and
- ◆ Establish globally compatible safety design base to be approved/authorized by HPGS regulations individually in each region, most likely referring ASME guidelines **to be compatible with Japanese regulations.**



Region Regulation	Americas ASME	Europe Eu-EN, TUV	Japan/Asia JP-HPGSAc
CM tech. design base	LCLS-II	Euro-XFEL	KEK-STF, AST-IFMIF
ILC CM design	Common CM design globally compatible to HPGS regulation in all regions, and most likely ASME guidelines to be compatible with Japanese regulations.		

HPGS Act and Ordinance in Japan

- **Act (Law):**
 - High Pressure Gas Safety Act,
- **Ordinances (Regulations):**
 - **General HPG Safety Ordinance**
 - Main Applications:
 - Industrial-gas-plant systems
 - Features: **Open Loop**, enabling liquid/gas extraction/consumption,
 - **Refrigeration Safety Ordinance**
 - Main Applications:
 - Air-conditioning/refrigeration systems for building and Cold-Storage
 - Features: **Closed-Loop**, not allowing liquid/gas extraction/consumption,



Similarities in Technical Basis to be understood

in comparisons of HPG-RS (Japan), ASME (US), and PED (EU)

AY's personal understanding/questions

	Refrigeration Safety Japan	ASME US	PED EU
Material	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified
Mechanical stress design - σ -allowed	$\leq 1/4 \sigma$ -tensile @ RT $\leq 1/4 \sigma$ -tensile @ T-use $\leq 2/3 \sigma$ -0.2% @ RT $\leq 2/3 \sigma$ -0.2 % @ T-use	To be filled	To be filled
Non-standard	FE analysis, in particular for buckling	To be filled	To be filled
Fabrication process - Structure - Welding	Sample tests required	To be filled	To be filled
Pressure Test - Hydr. Test - Pne. Test	P(h)-test : 1.3~1.5 x WP (p)P-test : 1.1~1.25 x WP	To be filled	To be filled

Similar !

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Common criteria need to be established

Welding efficiency

This factor only applied for the refrigeration safety regulation, not for general gas high-pressure regulation.

- For butt welding, following welding efficiency factor is defined.

Fraction of radiation transmission test against total welding length	Welding efficiency factor
100 %	1.0
Less than 100 %, and more than 20 %	0.95
Less than 20 %	0.7

- Above welding efficiency factor is used as follows.

$$P_m \leq S \times (\text{welding efficiency factor})$$

$$P_L \leq 1.5 \times S \times (\text{welding efficiency factor})$$

$$P_L + P_b \leq 1.5 \times S \times (\text{welding efficiency factor})$$

$$P_L + P_b + Q \leq 3 \times S \times (\text{welding efficiency factor})$$

P_m: Primary general membrane stress
 P_L: Primary local membrane stress
 P_b: Primary bending stress
 Q: Secondary stress
 S: Design stress strength

Question

- Does welding efficiency applied also in ASME and/or EN?

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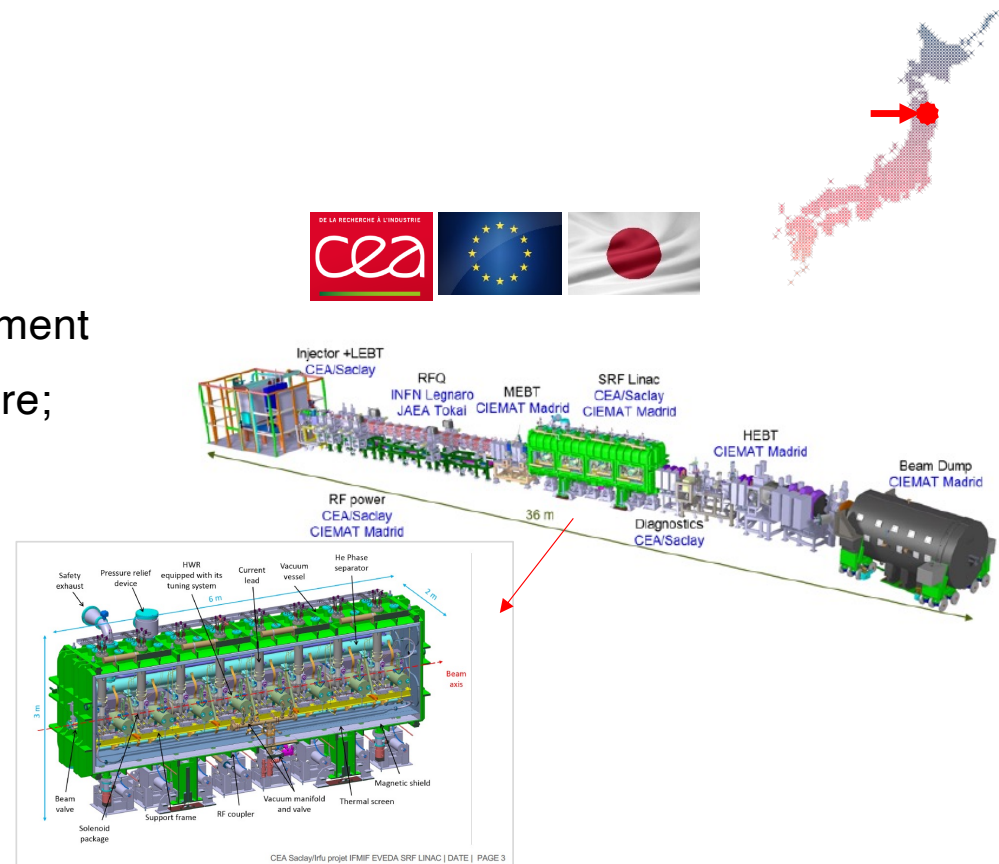
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HPG System for Magnet and SRF Systems


	QST: JT-60SA SC-M	RIKEN: RILAC SRF-C	QST-IFMI: RIPac SRF-C	SLAC/FNAL: LCLS-II SRF-C
Mag—Vessel SRF-Cavity	ASME, BPVC Sect. VIII, Div.1	Ref. Regulation	ASME, BPVC Sect. VIII, Div.1	ASME BPC 31.1 (確認中)
Cryo-Piping	ASME BPC 31.1	Ref. Regulation	ASME BPC 31.1	ASME BPC 31.1
Refrigerator	Ref. Regulation	Ref. Regulation	Ref. Regulation	tbc
全システム (完成検査)	Ref. Regulation	Ref. Regulation	Ref. Regulation	tbc

Example of Manufacture in EU and Assemble in Japan(2) (in progress) : QST-IFMIF/EVEDA-LIPac, SRF Cavity and Cryomodule

- Component manufacture in Europe & transported to Japan.
- Part of ITER Broader Approach (IETER-BA)
- RS Ordinance accepted by → Aomori Local Government
- Technical detail evaluation before starting manufacture; assisted by KHK):
- SRF cavities manufacture by (Zanon (Italy))
 - Supervised by CEA (EU, France),
 - Pressure Tested by Zanon in cooperation with a professional inspector,
- Assembly work on site at (IFMIF, Japan)
 - Completion, Final Test is to be carried out in near future.



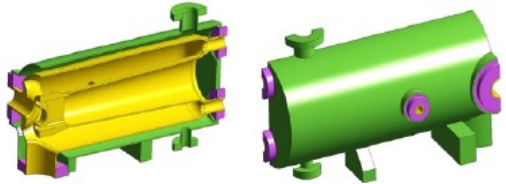
Pressure Test/Licensing for the IFMIF SRF Cavity

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CAVITY LICENSING


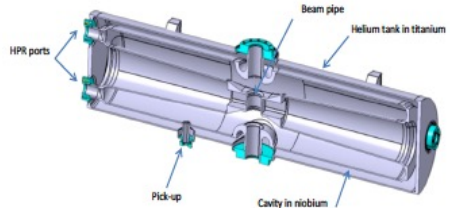
Cavities are considered « Pressure Vessel » as per ASME BPVC Section VIII Div.1. (LHe in the cavities)

Materials: **Nb**, **NbTi** and Ti
Nb and NbTi are not listed in ASME BPVC

Complex geometry



A Nb
B Ti
C Nb/Ti



- Necessity to perform several analytical calculations + numerical simulations: stress analysis with finite element method, calculation of stresses in welded flanges...
- Tests samples for Nb, NbTi and Ti to determine tensile properties and Charpy impact energy at 4.45K.
- Application form submitted to KHK (High Pressure Gas Safety authority in Japan) for the cavities prior to Prefecture approval. This application form was officially approved in March 2016 (licensing procedure started in Dec. 2013).


Baselines :

- ASME BPVC Sec. VIII Div.1
 - for > 6-inch dia.,
- ASME B 31.3
 - for < 6-inch dia.


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HPGS for IFMIF SRF Cavity & Cryomodule

Following ASME BPVC Sec. VIII Div 1, and BPCC B31.3



LICENSING STRATEGY



- Cryogenic fluid inside the IFMIF cryomodule → Must comply with the Japanese regulation: **High Pressure Gas Safety Law (HPGSL)**.
- Strategy negotiated with the Japanese authorities : design, fabrication and tests of all the cryomodule components according to **ASME BPVC** or **B31.3**.
- All licensed components are subject to Aomori Prefecture approval before installation of the cryomodule in Rokkasho (application form presented by QST).

Component	Licensing procedure	Code
Cavities	YES – Pressure vessel	ASME BPVC Section VIII Div.1
Phase Separator	YES – Pressure vessel	
Solenoid vessels (CIEMAT)	YES – Pressure vessel	
Current leads assembly (CIEMAT)	YES – Pressure piping	ASME B 31.3
Cryo-piping, thermal shield piping	YES – Pressure piping	
Vacuum vessel /thermal shield	NO – $\Delta P < 0,1 \text{ MPa}$	x

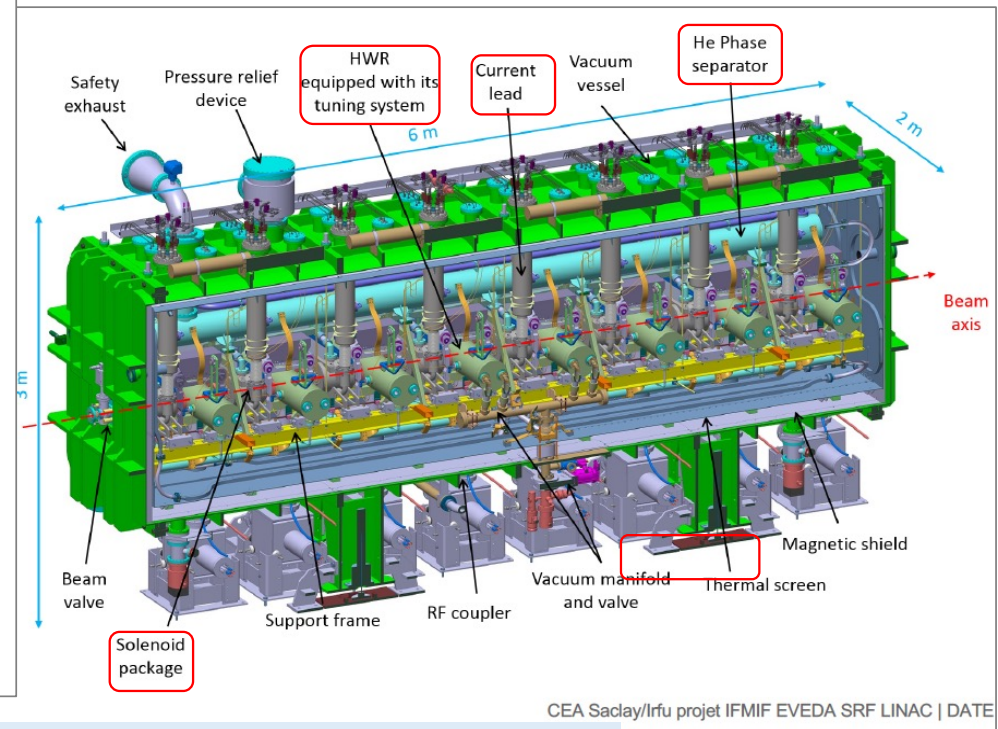
Pressure vessels as per ASME BPVC Sec. VIII Div.1 §U-1
 Internal diameter > 6 in. (152 mm)

Piping as per ASME B 31.3
 Internal diameter < 6 in.

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コメント (山本) : ASME-BPVC Section VIII Div1 は、一般則、冷凍則の共通な技術基盤 (と思う) 。

IFMIF SRF Cavity & Cryomodule

HPGS Pressure Test Guideline based on ASME BPVC



APPLICABLE TESTS



- Welding qualification according to ASME BPVC Section IX or ASME B31.3 (WPS, PQR, PTC...)
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ATI[®] Medium Grain Nb Mechanical Properties

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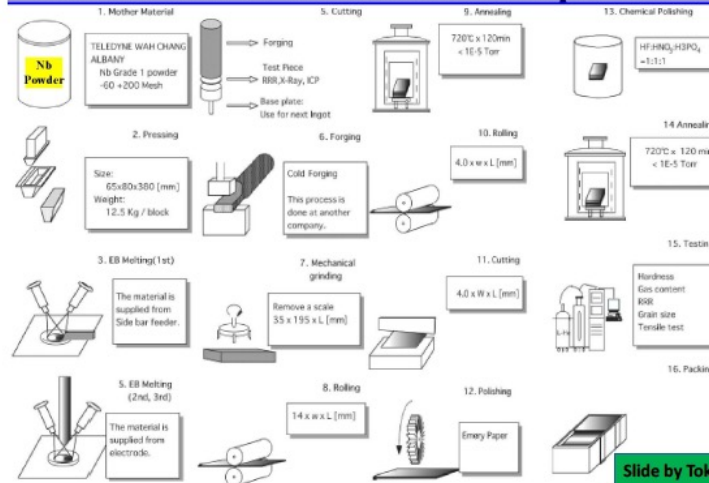
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Process flow of the industrial Nb production



FG Nb

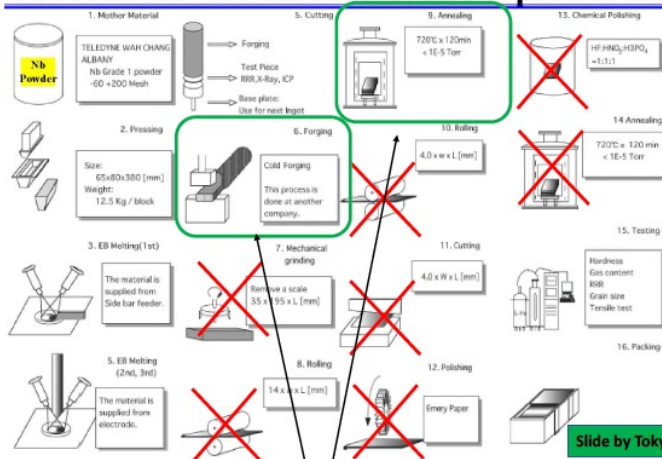


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MG Nb



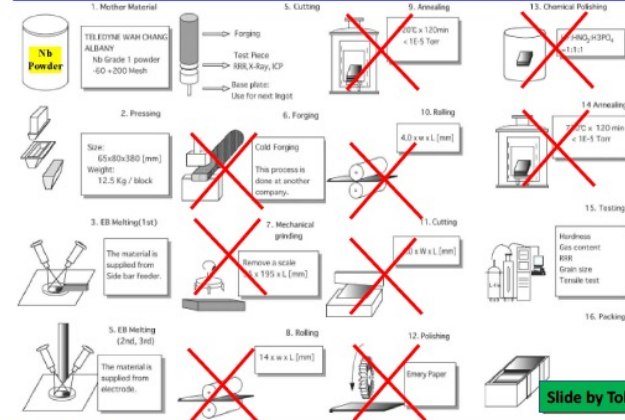
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Uniformity of Nb material is achieved by Medium-Grain (MG) structure.

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LG Nb



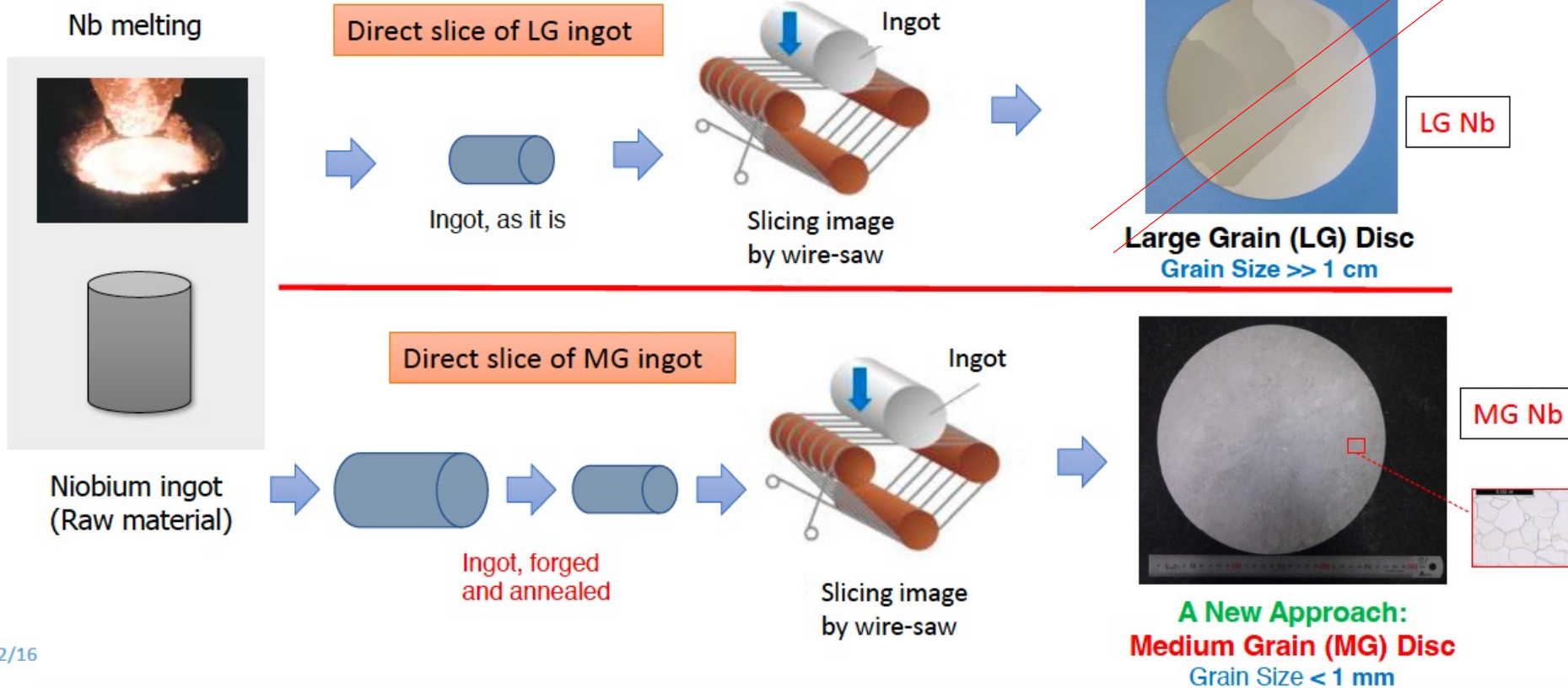
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LG-Nb realized very good cost performance.
But LG-Nb material causes broad mechanical strength distribution (less uniformity).
(Minimum strength becomes low compared with that of FG-Nb material.)

Picture of half cup



Manufacturing of LG & MG Nb



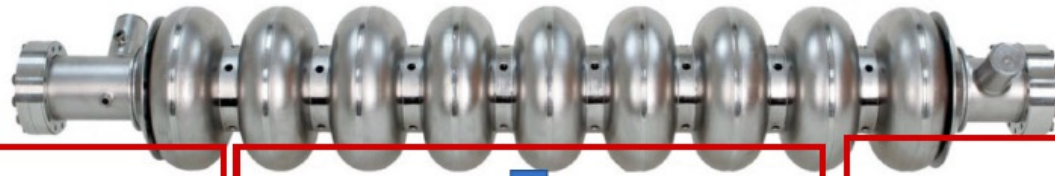
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* The "Nb forged ingot" technology originated by **ATI**, and SRF (GHz) cavities planned to be fabricated and RF tested by **KEK** and **JLab**, to qualify this approach, in collaboration of **ATI**, **ODU/BSCE**, **JLab**, and **KEK**.

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Niobium for 9-Cell 1.3 GHz SRF Cavity

9-Cell 1.3 GHz Nb SRF Cavity

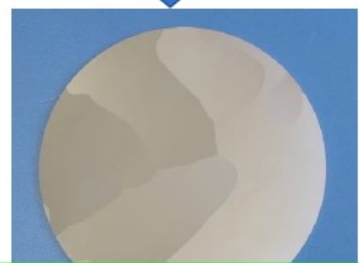


Conventional Material

FG Nb

- Grain size < 50 μm
- Isotropic mechanical properties.
- Uniform and adequate properties.
- High Cost.

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R & D Material

LG Nb

- Grain size > 1 cm.
- Anisotropic mechanical properties.
- Issue with KHK clearance
- Low Cost.



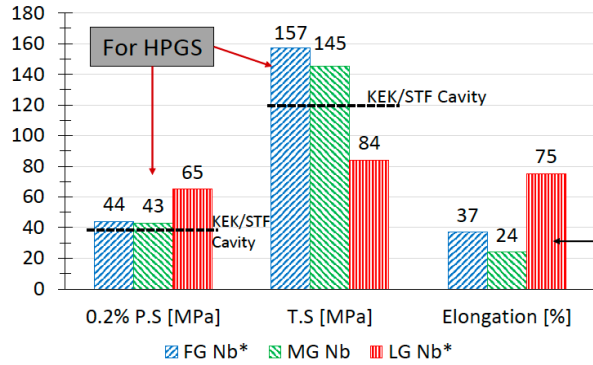
New Material

ATI MG Nb

- Grain size - 200-300 μm , occasional 1-2 mm grains
- New material with no data.
- Isotropic properties ✓
- Viable for SRF cavity ✓
- Cost reduction w.r.t FG Nb

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Room temperature property Comparison



- MG Nb **closer to FG Nb** than LG Nb
- Elongation is lower than FG Nb but **unnecessary for HPGS**
- High elongation necessary for press forming of half cells.

Mechanical strength of MG-Nb achieved the criteria of HPGS regulation for KEK/STF-Cavity

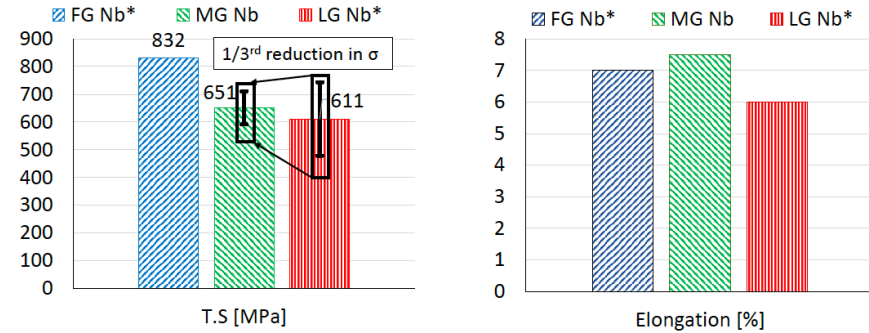
MG Nb data: <https://jacow.org/srf2021/papers/mopcv004.pdf>

* FG Nb and LG Nb data is for Mid-RRR annealed material (M. Yamanaka et al., SRF'21 WEPFDV005).

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Low Temperature Property Comparison



- Tensile Strength of MG-Nb at LHe-T is **better** than LG-Nb.
- Brittleness and low elongation of MG-Nb are **not observed** at LHe-T after annealing.

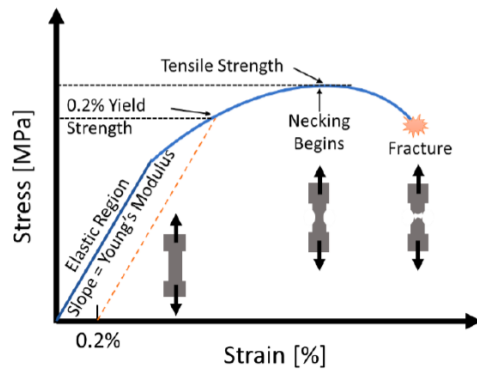
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ATI MG Nb Specimens



Temperature [K]	Sample Processing	Young's Modulus [GPa]	0.2% Proof Strength [MPa]	Tensile Strength [MPa]	Elongation [%]
300	Annealed	88.7 \pm 9*	39 \pm 2	123 \pm 5	25.3 \pm 3
300	ASR	89.7 \pm 6	43 \pm 4	145 \pm 7	23.9 \pm 4
4.2	Annealed	114.0 \pm 11	283 \pm 34	651 \pm 60	7.5 \pm 2
4.2	ASR	115.4 \pm 14	284 \pm 22	351 \pm 28	1.8 \pm 1

* Error is standard deviation.

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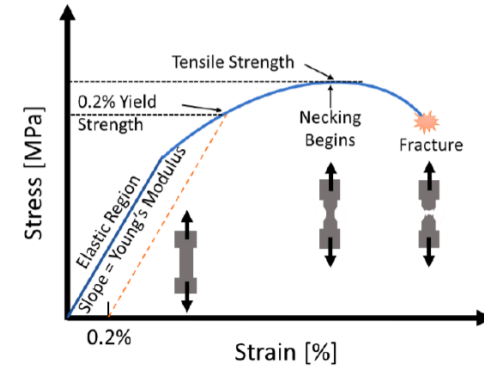
Similarities in Technical Basis to be understood

in comparisons of HPG-RS (Japan), ASME (US), and PED (EU)

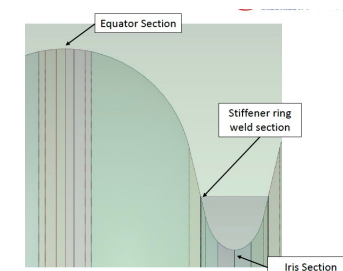
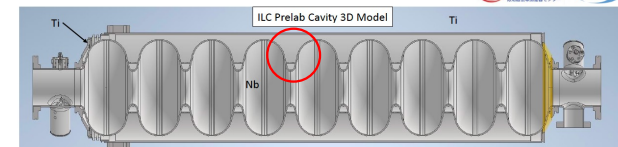
AY's personal understanding/questions

	Refrigeration Safety Japan	ASME US	PED EU
Material	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified	SUS/Cu: specified Nb: not specified
Mechanical stress design - σ -allowed	$\leq 1/4 \sigma$ -tensile @ RT $\leq 1/4 \sigma$ -tensile @ T-use $\leq 2/3 \sigma$ -0.2% @ RT $\leq 2/3 \sigma$ -0.2% @ T-use	To be filled	To be filled
Non-standard	FE analysis, in particular for buckling	To be filled	To be filled
Fabrication process - Structure - Welding	Sample tests required	To be filled	To be filled
Pressure Test - Hydr. Test - Pne. Test	P(h)-test : 1.3~1.5 x WP (p)P-test : 1.1~1.25 x WP	To be filled	To be filled

Similar !



ILC Prelab Cavity



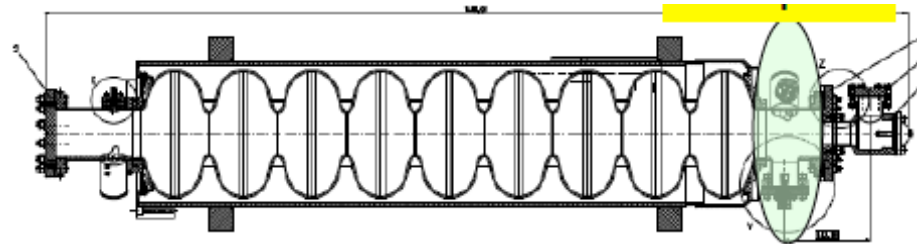
Common criteria need to be established

Peak Stress evaluation with allowable mechanical stress

Mechanical stress design

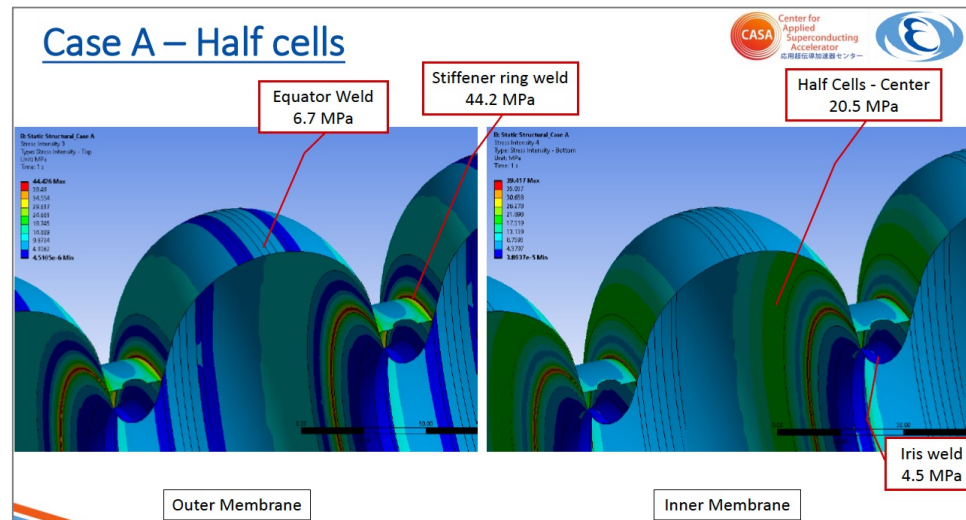
- **s-allowed**

$\leq \frac{1}{4}$ s-tensile @ RT
 $\leq \frac{1}{4}$ s-tensile @ T-use
 $\leq \frac{2}{3}$ s-0.2% @ RT
 $\leq \frac{2}{3}$ s-0.2 % @ T-use



Temperature	Allowable Stress (Sm)		
	Pure Niobium	Titanium (Gr 2)	NbTi55
293 K	22.6	85	128.6
1.8 K	225	255	303.3

$$S_m = \text{lesser of } S_y/1.5 \text{ or } S_u/4$$



Performance of LG Nb and MG Nb Cavities

Credits:





LG Nb cavity results by Hayato ARAKI

MG Nb cavity performance results by Takeshi DOHMAE



Overview of Cavities and their Performance

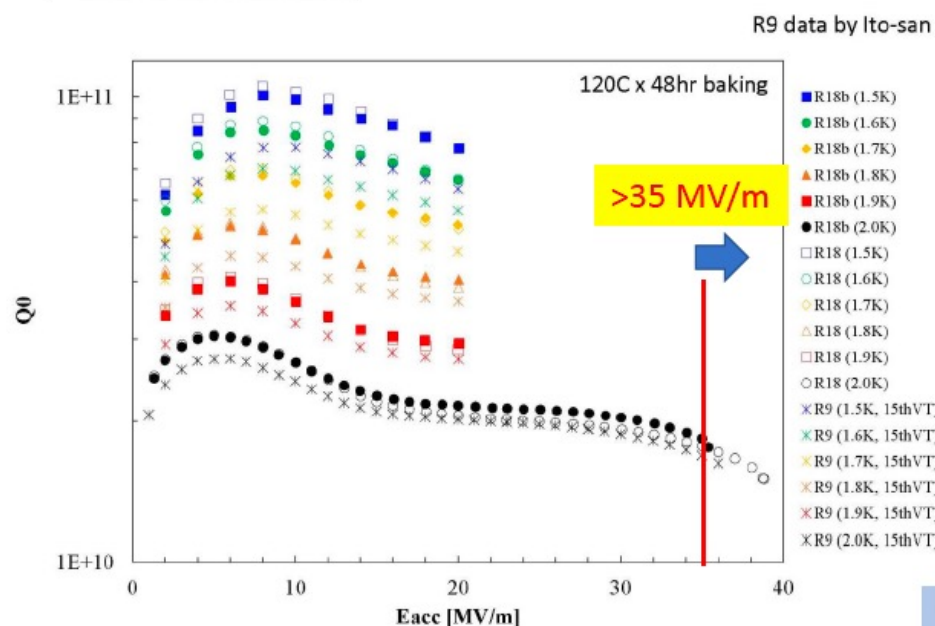


Nb Materials	Cavities	Cavities	Vertical Test Results	ILC Specification
LG Nb (Mid-RRR, High-Ta)		Two 9-Cell	$E_{acc} < 35$ MV/m	✗
LG Nb (High-RRR, Low-Ta)		Two 3-Cell	$E_{acc} > 35$ MV/m	✓
LG Nb (High-RRR, High-Ta)		Two 3-Cell (two 9-Cell under fabrication)	$E_{acc} > 35$ MV/m	✓
MG Nb (High-RRR, Low-Ta)		Two 1-Cell 9 (One 9-Cell will be fabricated)	$E_{acc} > 35$ MV/m	✓

MG Nb Material (High RRR, Low Ta)

Results of MG single-cell cavities.
R18, R18b (vs. R9 / FG single-cell cavity).

R18 vs R18b vs R9



- R18, R18b were fabricated using MG discs
- Inner surface of R18 was mechanically polished during fabrication (R18b was not)
- VT of R18: 38.8 MV/m with $Q_0=1.5 \times 10^{10}$
- VT of R18b: 35.4MV/m with $Q_0=1.76 \times 10^{10}$

Two MG-Nb single-cell cavities have reached > 35 MV/m

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R18 Results Cited From: T. Dohmae et al., SRF' 21 MOPCAV012

R18b cavity results by Takeshi DOHMAE

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Conclusions



- ATI MG Nb's mechanical properties does clear the mechanical strength criteria required for high pressure code for KEK-STF SRF Cavity.
- However, elongation of the material needs to be improved for better yield with press forming.
- MG Nb room temperature properties are closer to FG Nb.
- Low temperature behavior of MG Nb is closer to LG Nb but with a third of reduction in standard deviation of its Tensile strength.
- Elongation is same as FG and LG Nb at low temperature; however, some specimens did show lower elongation of 5-6% too.
- First Serration usually starts at 250 to 300 MPa stress.

A Reference: A. Kumar et al., presented at SRF Conference in 2021.

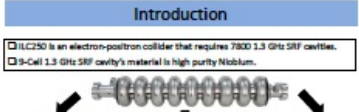
MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF DIRECTLY SLICED MEDIUM GRAIN NIOBIUM FOR 1.3 GHZ SRF CAVITY

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Introduction

- ILC250 is an electron-positron collider that requires 7800 1.3 GHz SRF cavities.
- Cell 1.3 GHz SRF cavity's material is high purity Niobium.



FG Nb
*Grain size ~ 50 μm
*Isotropic mechanical properties
*High Cost

LG Nb
*Grain size ~ 1 cm
*Anisotropic mechanical properties
*Low Cost

MG Nb
*Grain size ~ 200-300 μm, occasionally 3-2 mm grains.
*New material, no data
*Isotropic properties?
*Viable for SRF cavity?
*Cost reduction w.r.t FG Nb

No melting
Forging and annealing of ingot
Medium ingot (Raw material)
M1, M2 disks
Direct slicing by wire saw
Sliced MG Nb disks
Microscopic view of its grains

Table. ATi MG Nb specification

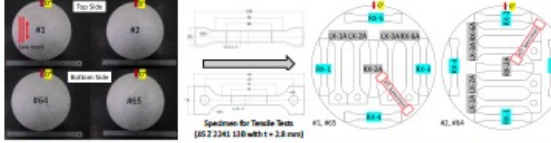
	C	H	O	N	RRR	Hardness (HV10)
In spec	<20	<3	<50	<20	> 200	~ 43

Table. Mechanical properties measured by ATi

	YS	TS	Elongation
Top	56	146	52
Bottom	63	141	52

Results and Discussion

- ATi MG Nb billet was sliced into 65 disks and specimens from top two and bottom two disks were cut for tensile testing.
- All disks were chemically polished, specimens were wire EDM cut and then chemically polished again (see fig below).
- A set specimens were annealed at 800 °C for 3 hrs and the remaining ones were not, considered as In As-received condition (ASR).
- Tensile tests were performed in room temperature and in liquid helium.



- Mechanical properties are uniform throughout the billet with minimal deviation between annealed specimens (see table below).
- MG Nb initially thought to be isotropic, but it is likely anisotropic as grain size is non-homogeneous across the radius.

Table. Mechanical properties at room temperature

Position (sample no.)	YS [MPa]	TS [MPa]	Elongation [%]	E [GPa]
Top (R)	36.1 ^{ASR}	122 ^{ASR}	26.4 ^{ASR}	83.9 ^{ASR}
Bottom (R)	37.9 ^{ASR}	125 ^{ASR}	22.5 ^{ASR}	80.3 ^{ASR}
Top (A)	46.3 ^{ASR}	153 ^{ASR}	17.7 ^{ASR}	86.1 ^{ASR}
Bottom (A)	41.1 ^{ASR}	141 ^{ASR}	22.9 ^{ASR}	80.9 ^{ASR}

15% drop, 7% drop, uniform throughout

Table. Mechanical properties in liquid helium

Position (sample no.)	YS [MPa]	TS [MPa]	Elongation [%]	E [GPa]
Top (S)	381 ^{ASR}	450.7	1.3 ^{ASR}	113.0 ^{ASR}
Bottom (S)	379 ^{ASR}	414.7	2.9 ^{ASR}	114.4 ^{ASR}

Fig. Stress-strain curves in liquid helium

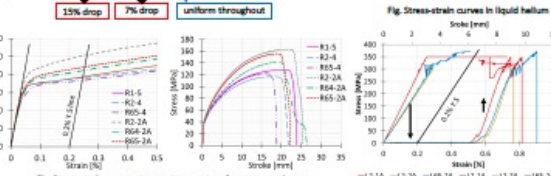
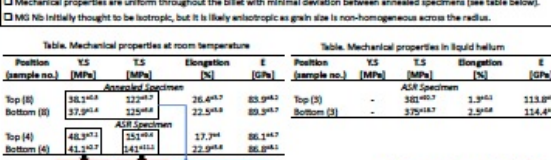


Fig. Stress-strain curves at room temperature for some specimens



Methodology

- Tensile tests are conducted to obtain mechanical properties of a material.
- Material is subjected to tension until failure to obtain Young's Modulus (E), 0.2% Yield Strength (YS) and Tensile Strength (TS).
- Shimadzu Autograph AG-5000C with Kyowa strain gages and Kyowa strain amplifier were used to conduct tests.
- Cross-head speed kept constant at 2 mm/min with strain rate of 4.46-4 s⁻¹.

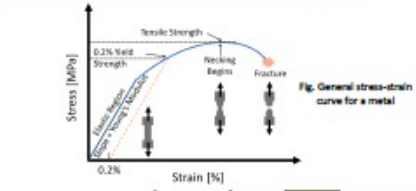


Fig. Room temperature tensile test


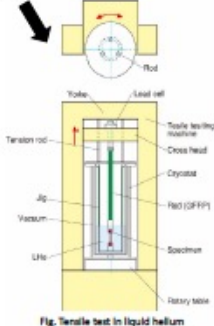
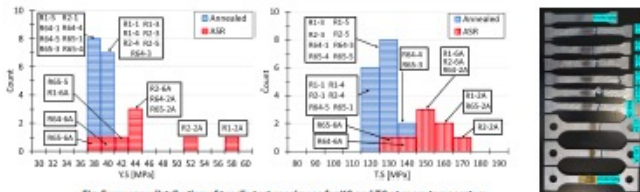


Fig. Tensile test in liquid helium

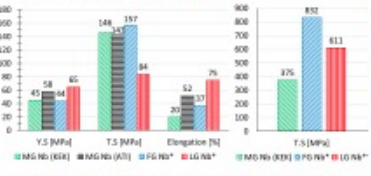


Frequency distribution of tensile test specimens for YS and TS at room temperature



MG Nb Comparison with FG and LG Nb

- MG Nb mechanical properties are closer to FG Nb at room temperature.
- KEK results → elongation is lower than FG Nb.
- ATi results → elongation is higher than FG Nb.



Viability of MG Nb for 1.3 GHz SRF Cavity

- KEK Data → Teste-like ✓, Eu-XPEL → TS ✓
- ATi Data → Eu-XPEL and Teste-like ✓
- Elongation only necessary for formability

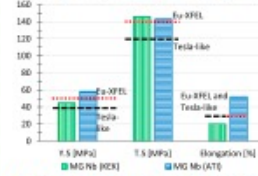
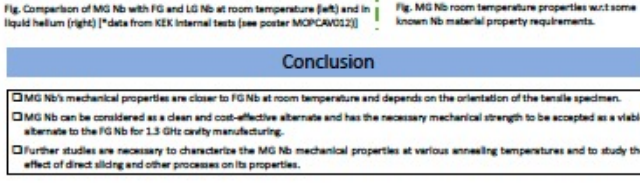


Fig. Comparison of MG Nb with FG and LG Nb at room temperature (left) and in liquid helium (right) [*data from KEK internal tests (see poster MOPCAV022)]



Conclusion

- MG Nb's mechanical properties are closer to FG Nb at room temperature and depends on the orientation of the tensile specimen.
- MG Nb can be considered as a clean and cost-effective alternate and has the necessary mechanical strength to be accepted as a viable alternate to the FG Nb for 1.3 GHz cavity manufacturing.
- Further studies are necessary to characterize the MG Nb mechanical properties at various annealing temperatures and to study the effect of direct slicing and other processes on its properties.