



RESEARCHING NOVEL PARTICLE ACCELERATORS

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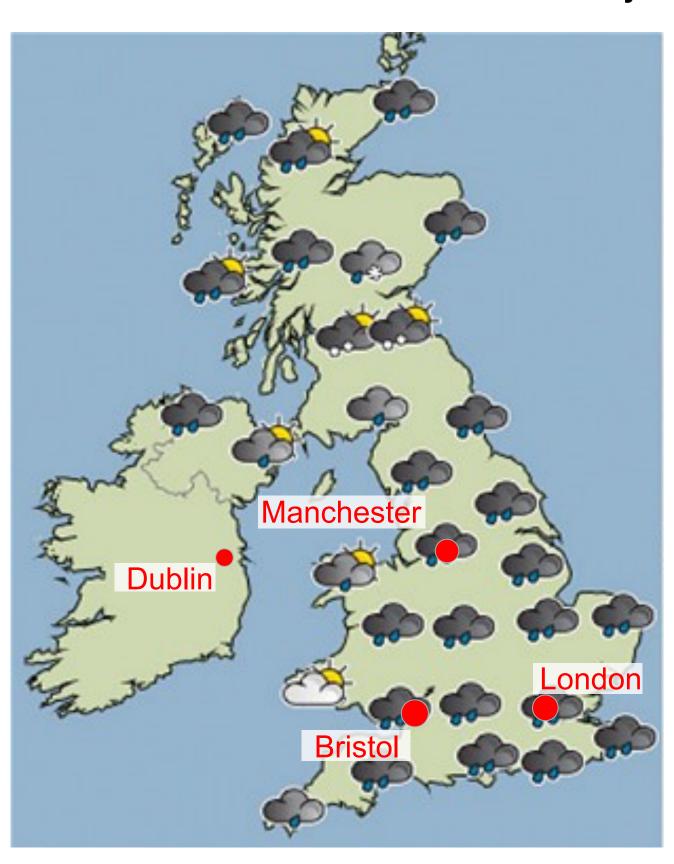




My background



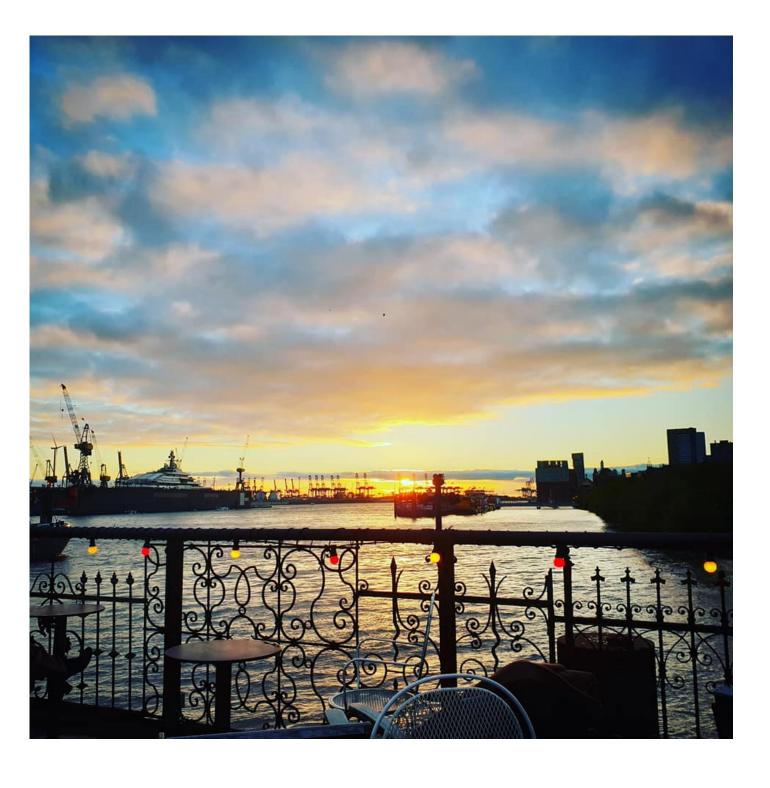
- > Originally from **Bristol** in the UK
- > But my farther's parents were Irish (this is my Brexit insurance)
- > Masters and PhD in **Manchester**...
- > First PostDoc also in Manchester =>12 yrs!



- > Moved to **Geneva** in 2015
- > Fellow at CERN
- > However, there were mountains...



- > Came to **Hamburg** in May 2018!
- > Joined the FLASHForward collaboration





Fixed-Field Alternating-Gradient Accelerators

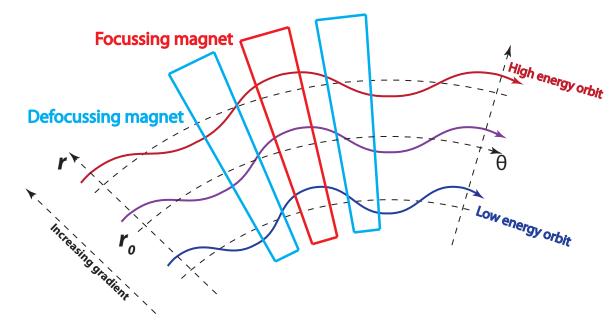


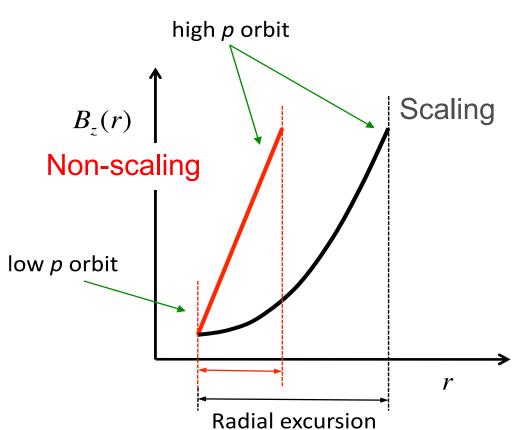




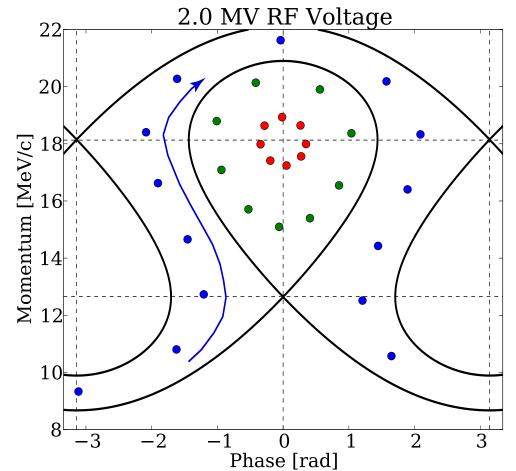


- > Fixed magnetic field
- > Beam traverses radially with energy
- > Very rapid acceleration
- > Very large acceptance.

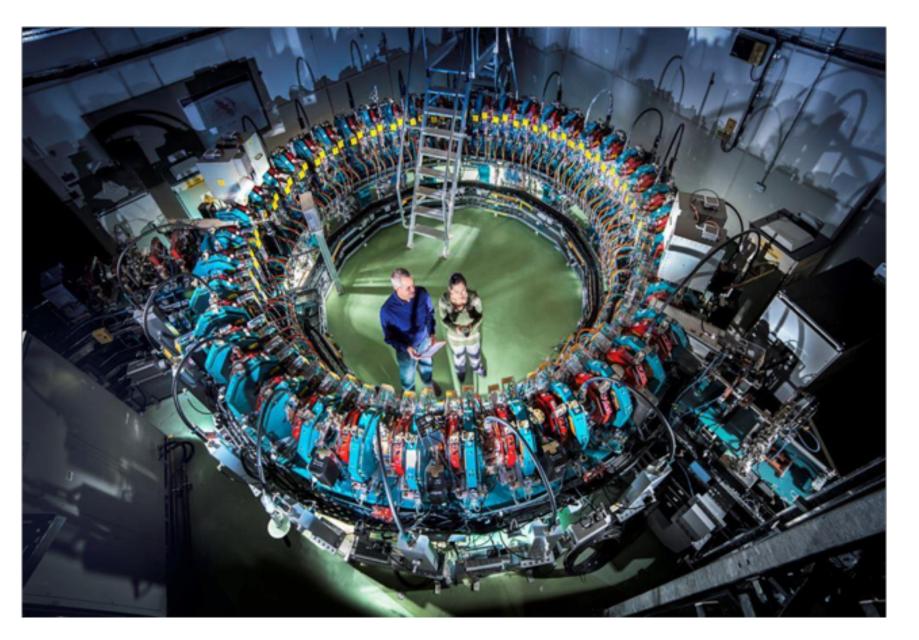




- > EMMA (Electron Machine with Many **Applications**)
- > Proof-of-principle machine
- > Highly compact accelerator lattice
- > 2.4m radius
- > 10-20 MeV in 5 rotations (300ns)
- > 1.3 GHz RF system







> Applications:

- Medical accelerators cancer therapy using protons
- > ADSR by neutron spallation from protons
- Nuclear waste transmutation
- Muon accelerators





LINAC4 and BioLEIR at CERN



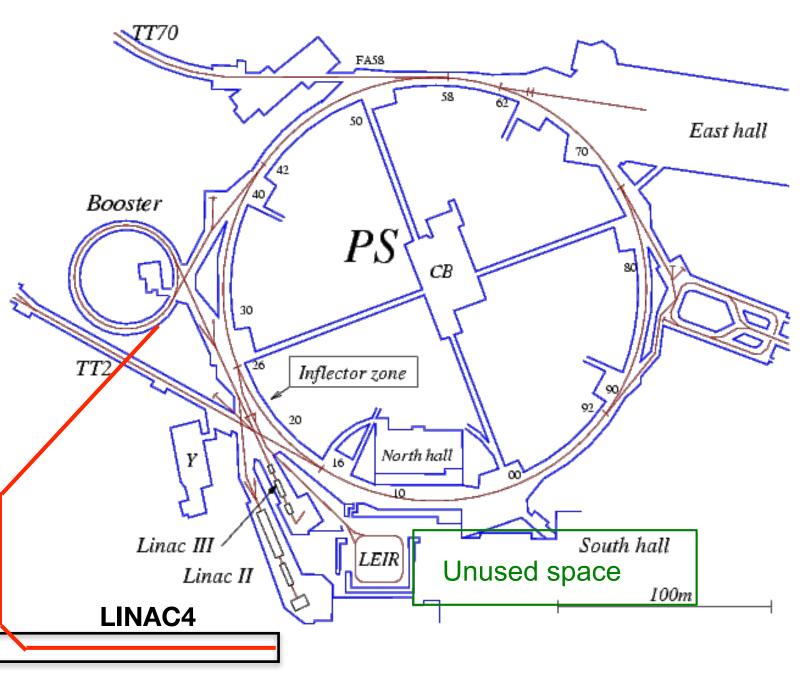






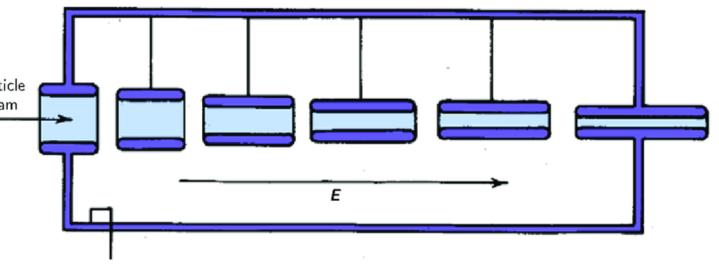
- Commissioning LINAC4
- > H- linac to replace LINAC2 as CERN's source of protons
- Charge exchange injection => higher brightness
- > 160 MeV into the Booster (linac2 50MeV)
- > Alvarez type accelerating cavities





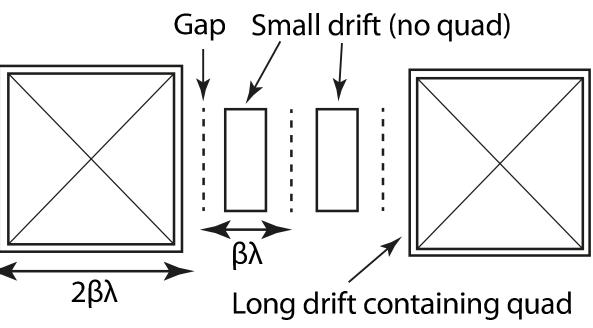
- > Design a light ion linac for medical applications **BioLEIR**
- > Protons -> Oxygen ions
- Novel quasi-Alvarez design was developed
- > Shorter linac structure with ion species flexibility

Alvarez type



- > Fixed frequency => drift tubes increase in length with energy
- > Quadrupole in each drift tube

Quazi-Alvarez type



- > Quadrupole in nth drift tube
- Double frequency => shorter => cheaper



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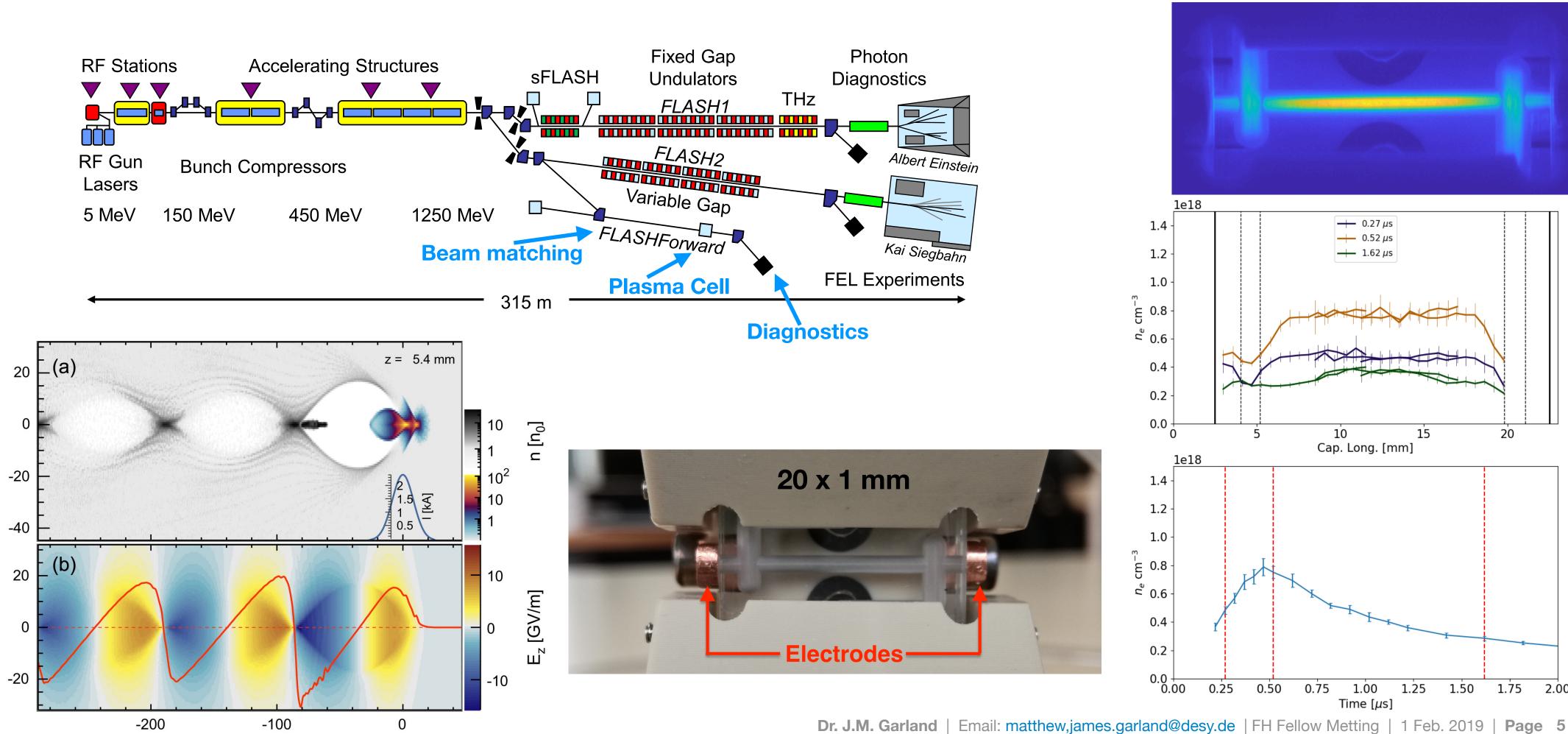
FLASHForward at DESY



- > FLASHForward is a plasma wakefield accelerator experiment here at DESY
- > FLASHForward beam-line extends from the FLASH accelerator (FEL facility)

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- > Accelerating field is orders of magnitude larger than conventional RF cavities.
- > Potential for greatly reduced accelerator length
- > Plasma is created from neutral gas using an electrical discharge or a high-power laser
- > Understanding of plasma spatial distribution and temporal evolution is critical.





Shameless Promotion...



Thanks for listening!

