

**RADSYNCH 2023**

ESRF, 30 May – 2 June 2023

## **Decommissioning of the ESRF storage ring**

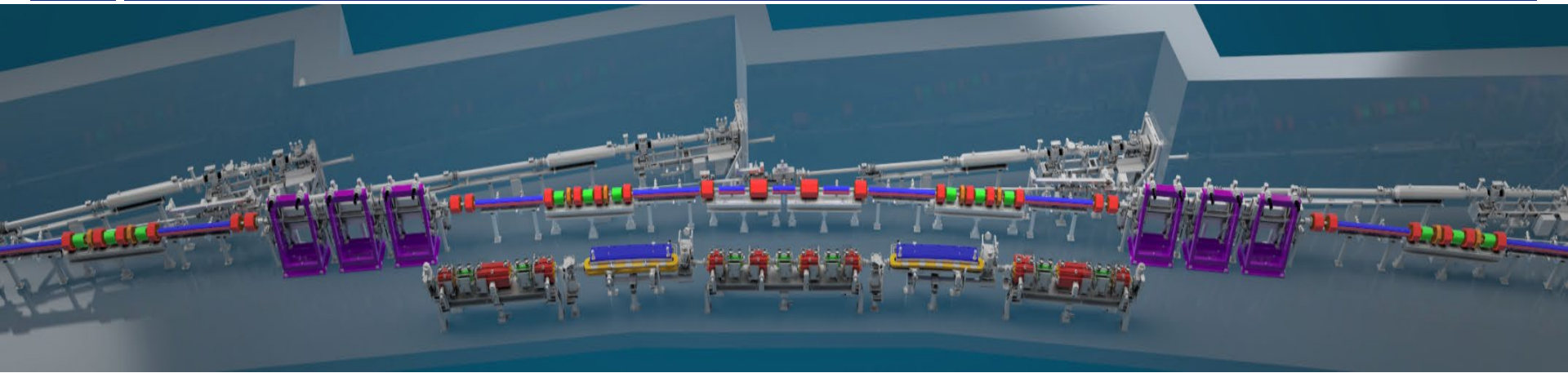
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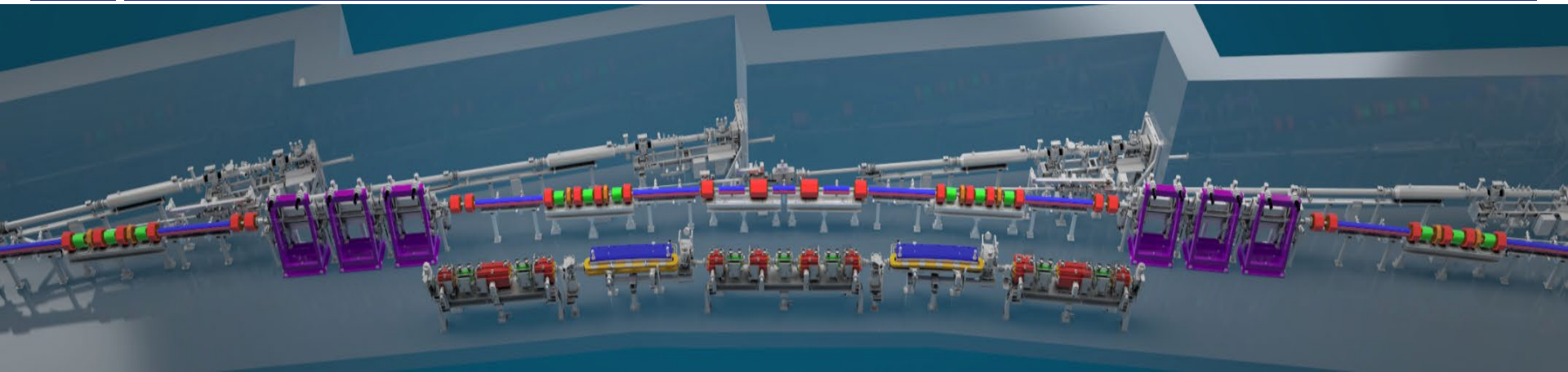
# DECOMMISSIONING OF THE ESRF STORAGE RING

1. Decommissioning of old storage ring
2. Update of waste management program: procedures for handling activated components during EBS operation



## Replacement of storage ring:

- All accelerator components, except ID vessel and IDs and last module of front ends.
- Cable trays and cables.
- Piping.



Recall:

After several years of discussion, the proposal from ESRF for the classification of the dismantled storage ring components as non-activated waste was accepted by the French Nuclear Safety Authority.

The valorisation of these components as non-activated waste was possible after detailed radiation measurements of all individual elements.



Detailed FLUKA study:  
 Only a limited number of elements (injection zone + scrapers) should be considered as activated.

→ **Radioactive zoning**

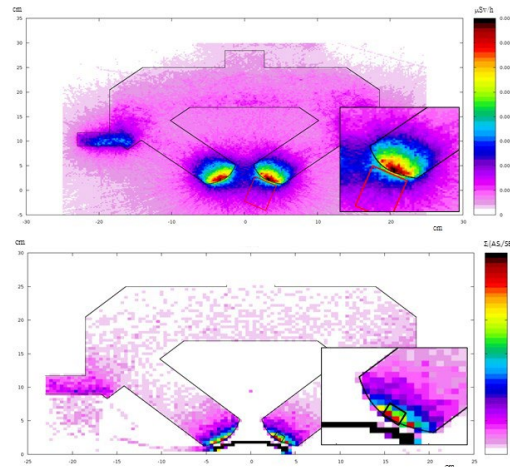
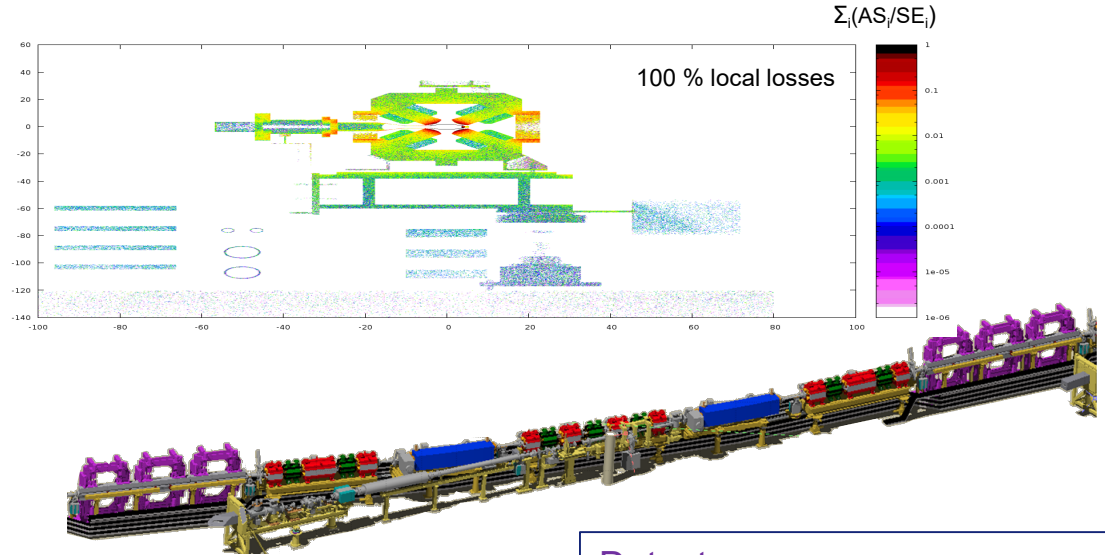
→ All special elements, considered as spare parts.

Surface dose measurements  
 (indistinguishable from background)



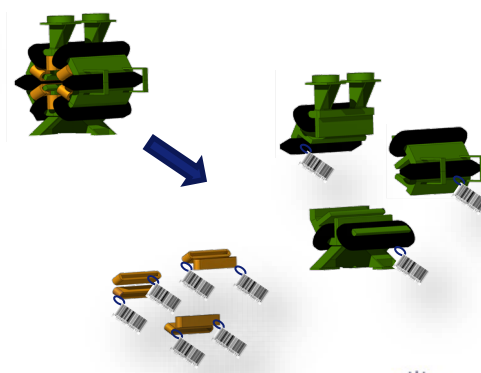
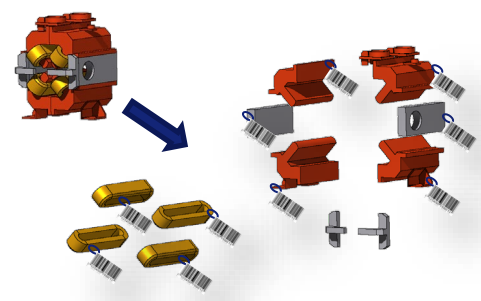
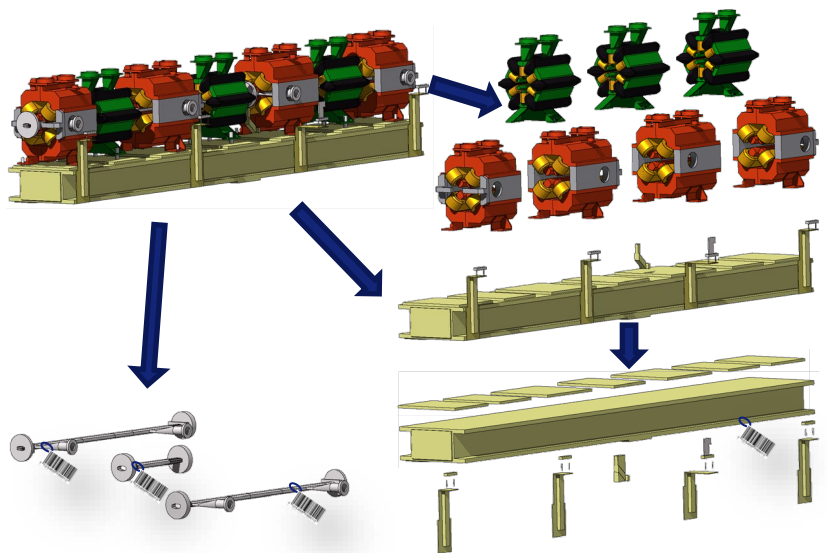
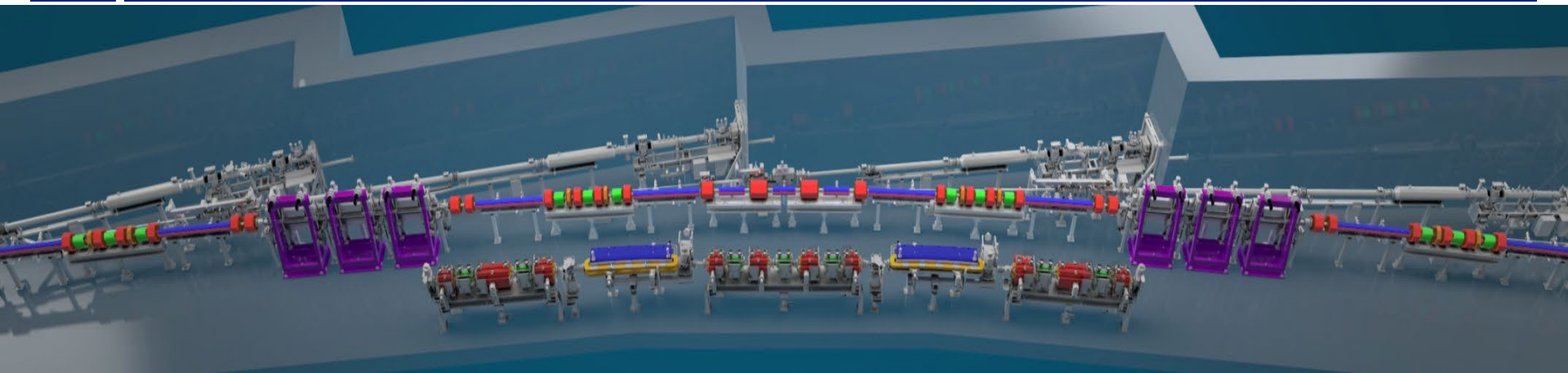
$$\sum_{\text{all isotopes}} \frac{AS_i}{SE_i} \leq 1$$

guaranteed for 1 cm<sup>3</sup> hotspots.



Detector:  
 FHZ 503E  
 (3" × 3" NaI(Tl) scintillator)

10 – 15 nSv/h background  
 $\beta = \alpha = 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$   
 Decision threshold: 1.5 nSv/h  
 Detection limit: 3 nSv/h



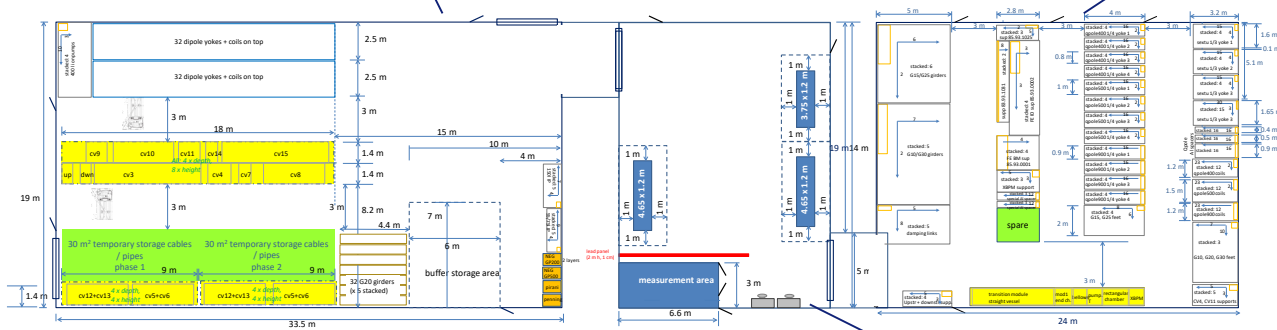
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ESRF13



ESRF11



ESRF12

Total surface: 1500 m<sup>2</sup>



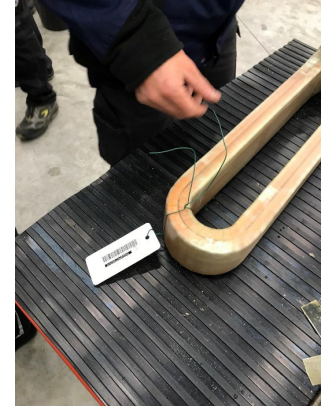
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Quadrupole / sextupole girder



Putting barcodes on individual components



Disassembly procedure for G30 girder



Part of quadrupole yokes to ESRF11

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Disassembled storage ring components, April 2019

Robotised measurements of accelerator components in the ESRF-12 building





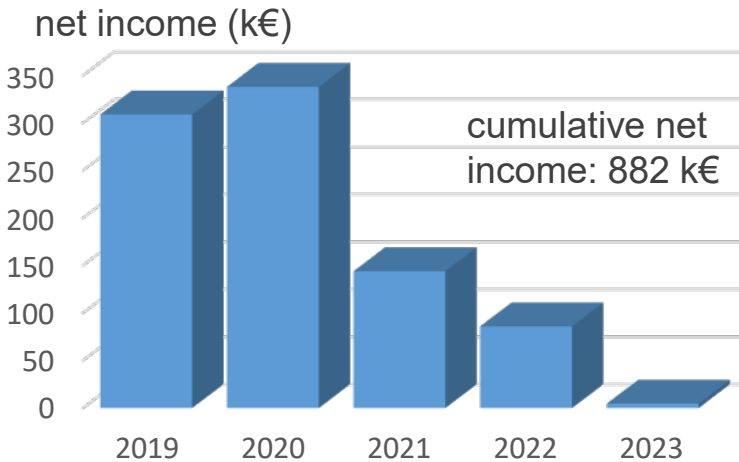
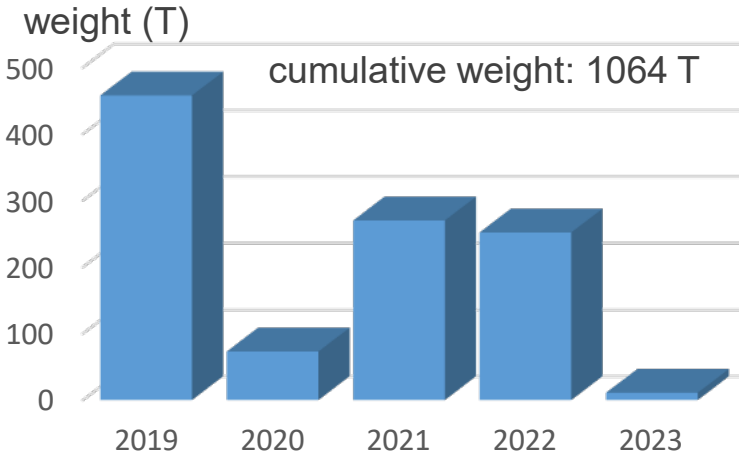
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All components taken out of the tunnel during the long shutdown have been measured (end 2022).

None of the scanned components showed any measureable level of activation.

More than 1000 tons of metal have been evacuated so far.

The corresponding cumulative net income from the valorisation of this waste is 882 k€.



ESRF-13 building,  
October 2022:  
Only ID vacuum vessels  
are left to be measured.

# DECOMMISSIONING OF OLD STORAGE RING

Throughout the lifetime of the old storage ring, a large number of components were taken out of the tunnel and were stored on site.

All these components are measured and disposed of using the same protocols.



ESRF-12 building, October 2022:  
part of the storage ring components that were  
accumulated over the 30 years of operation  
of the old storage ring.

# UPDATE OF WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Request from French Nuclear Safety Authority (ASN):

Provide activation calculations for all accelerators to update the ESRF waste management plan.

The results are used to define waste management zoning in the tunnels and define corresponding procedures to be followed for the verification of the non-activation of accelerator components taken out of the tunnel (simple measurements using hand-held monitors or measurements using ESRF-12 robot).

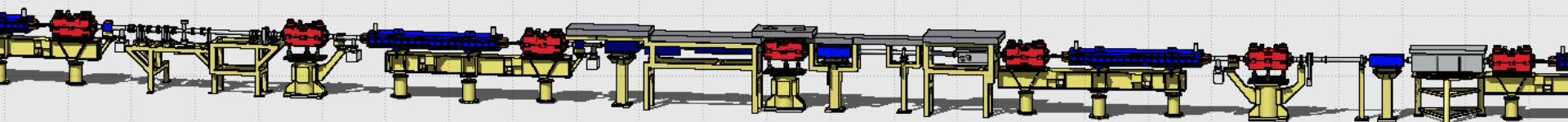
The procedures do not cover the final decommissioning of the accelerators.

Already done:

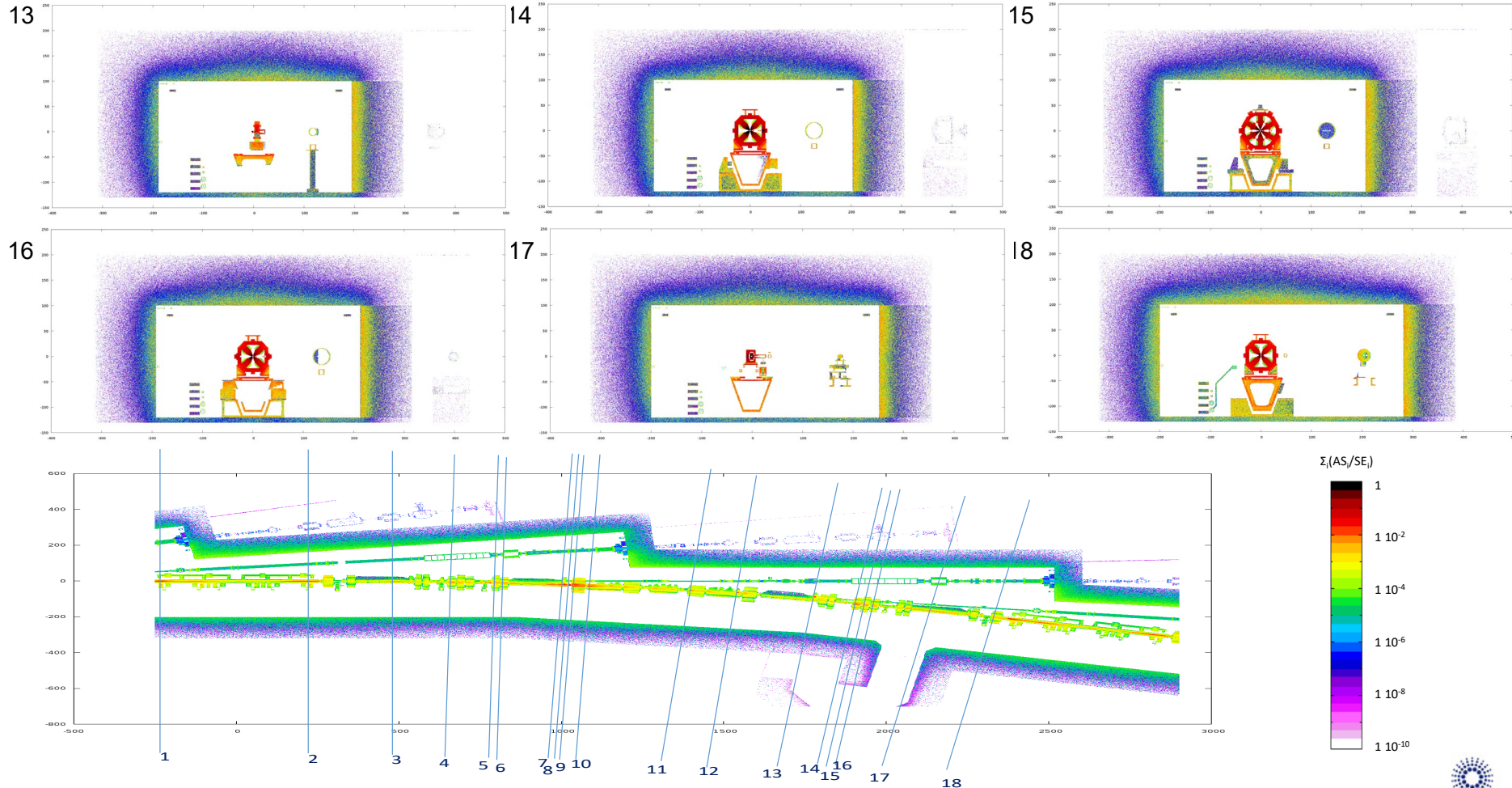
- Storage ring
- Booster, standard cells and extraction zone

To be done:

- Booster injection zone
- Linac
- Transfer lines

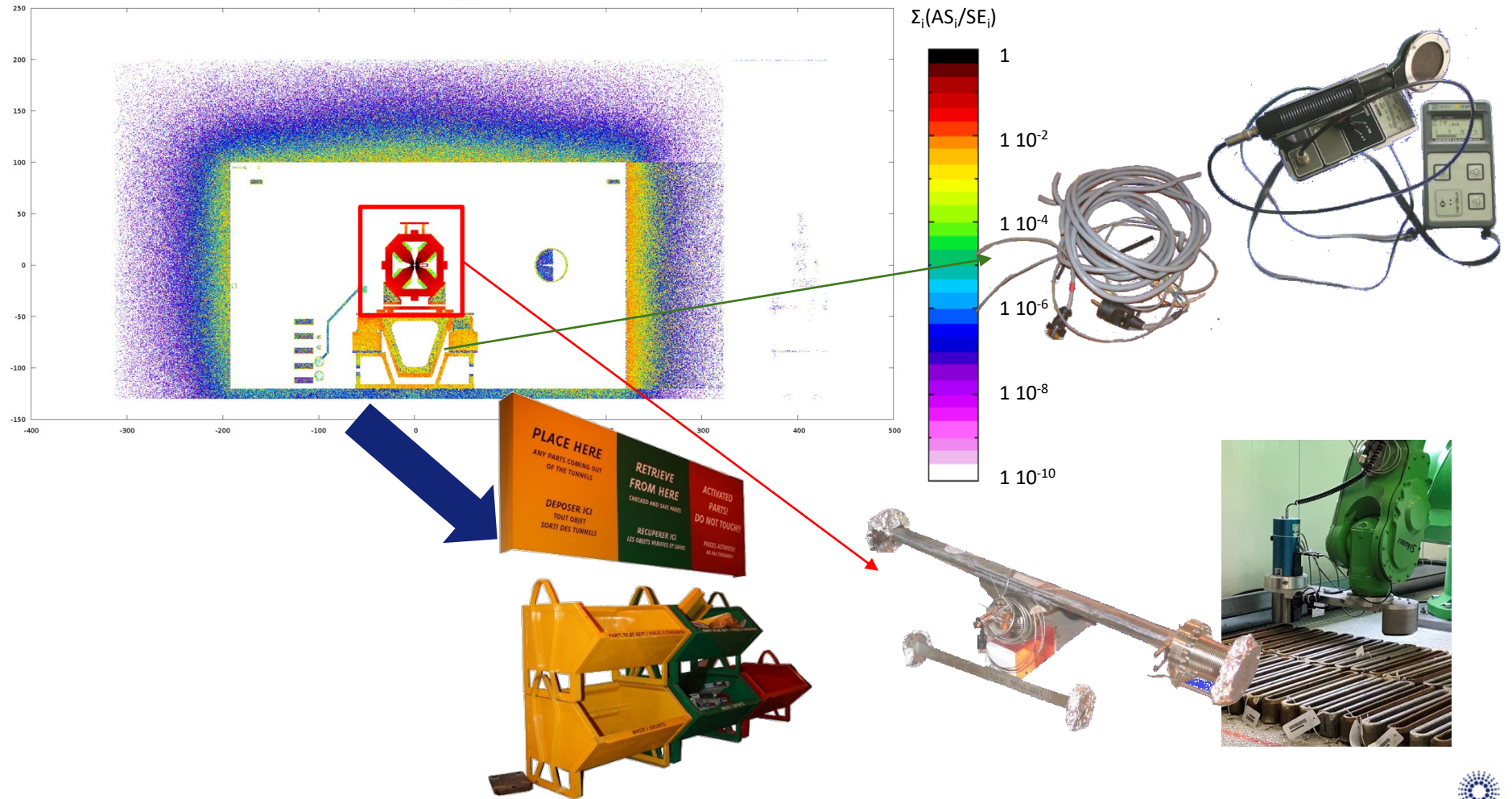


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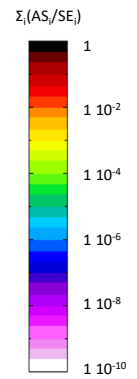
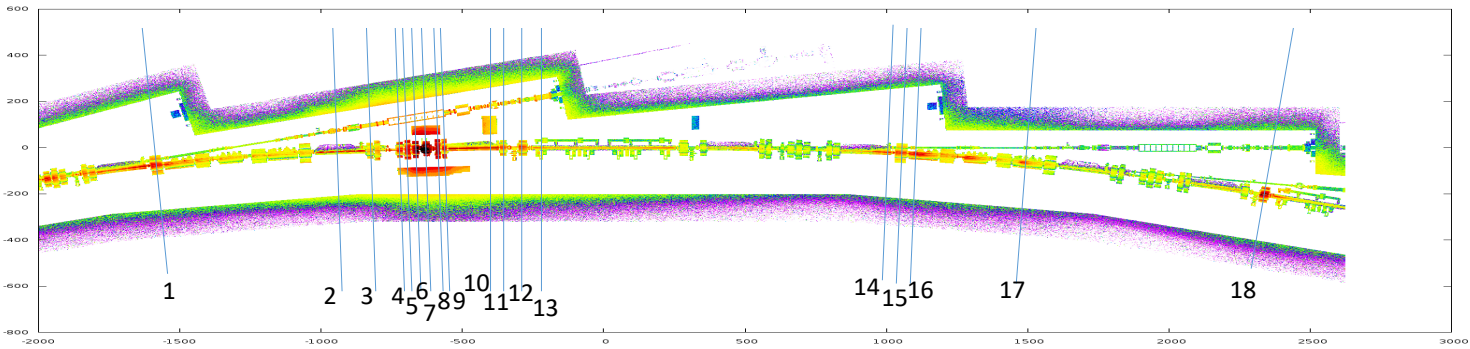
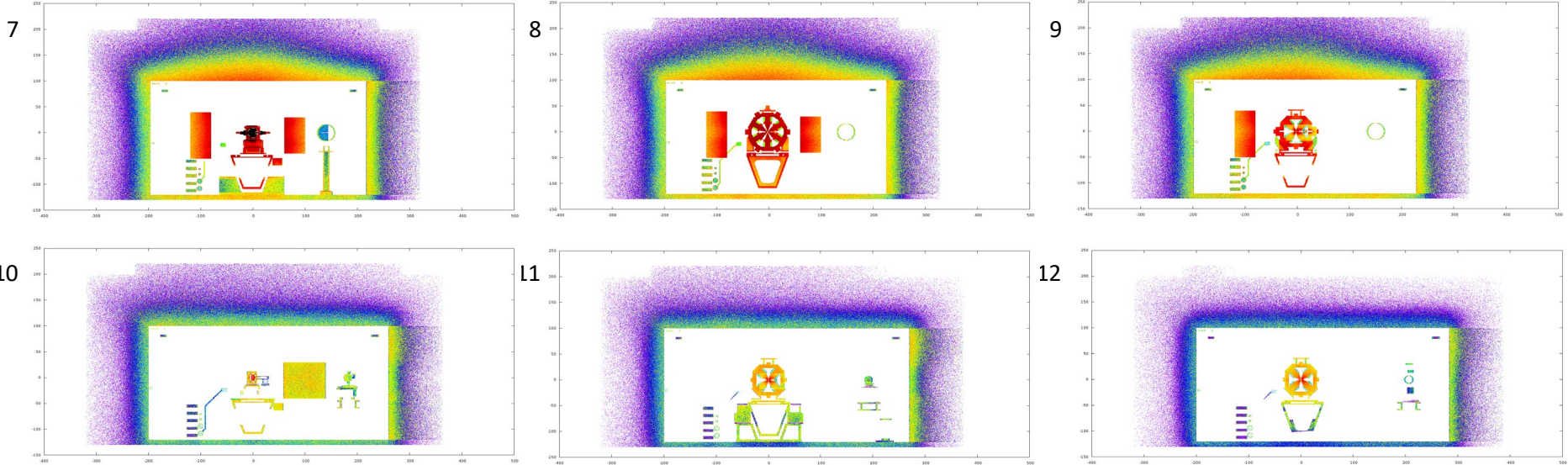




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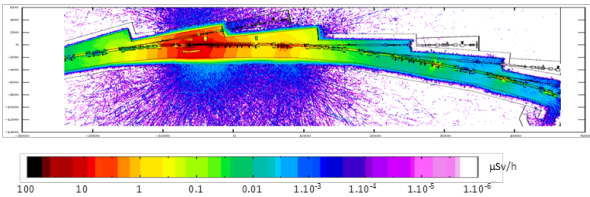


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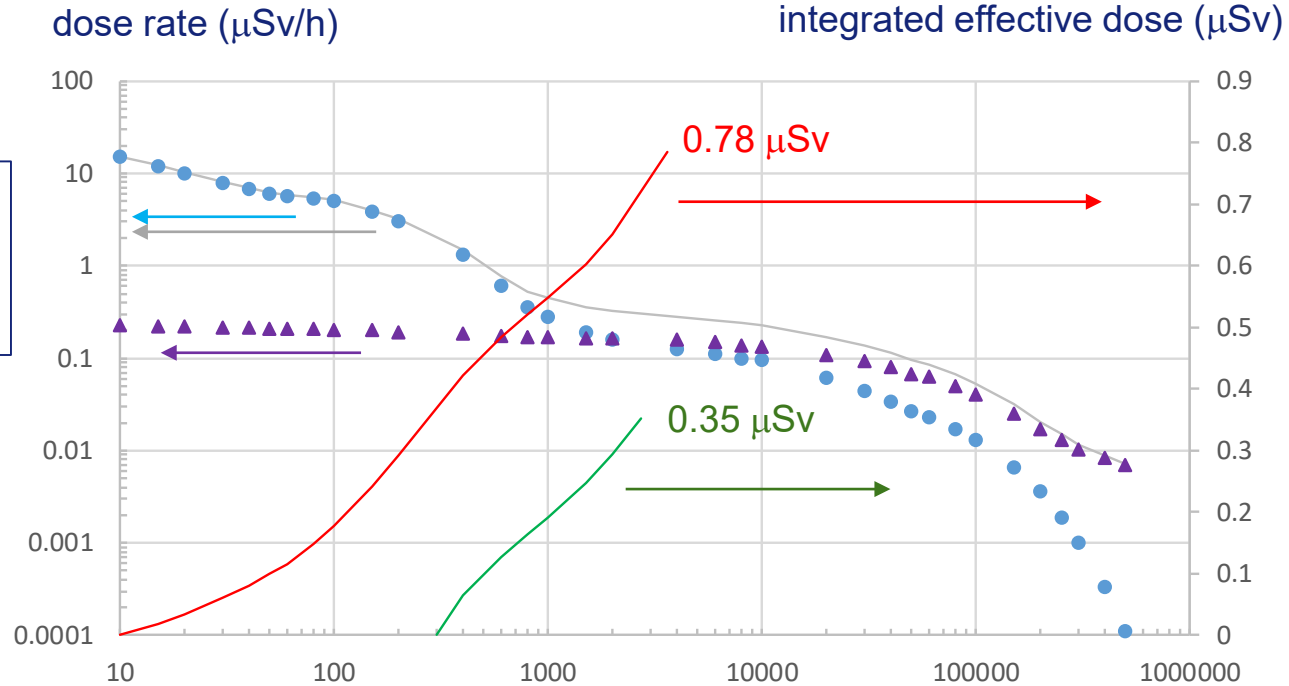




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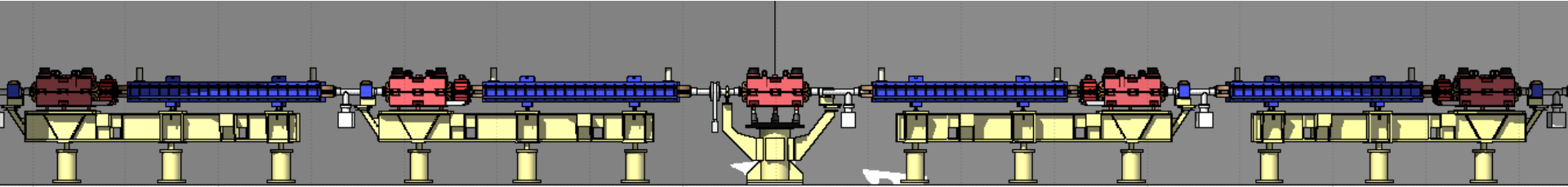
French law: radiation area if effective dose  $> 80 \mu\text{Sv}$  per month



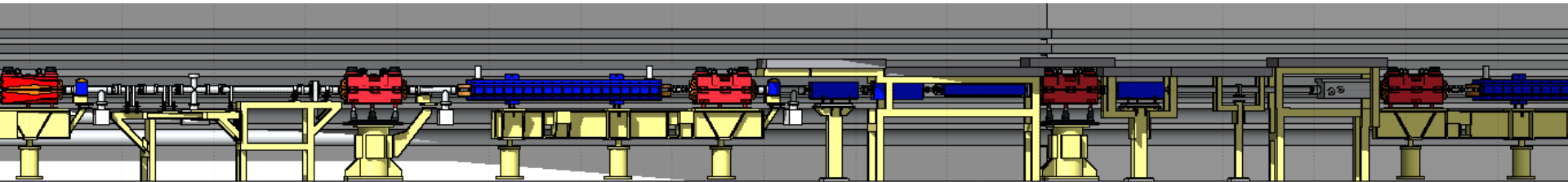
forced entry:  $0.78 \mu\text{Sv}$  in one h  $\rightarrow$  repeat every two hours, 200 h /month  $\rightarrow 78 \mu\text{Sv}$  per month  
 “normal” entry:  $0.35 \mu\text{Sv}$  in 45 minutes  $\rightarrow$  repeat every hour, 200 h /month  $\rightarrow 70 \mu\text{Sv}$  per month  
 20 days next to collimator (1 month shutdown)  $\rightarrow < 6 \mu\text{Sv}$

Maximum dose, under completely unrealistic conditions  $< 80 \text{ mSv}$  / month  $\rightarrow$  no need for a radiation area.

# UPDATE OF WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN: BOOSTER



booster standard cell



booster extraction area and stripline area

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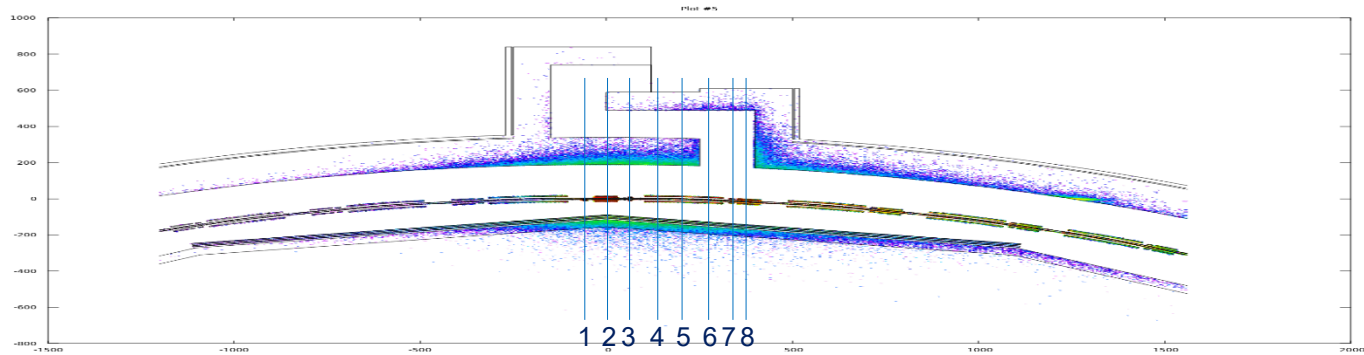
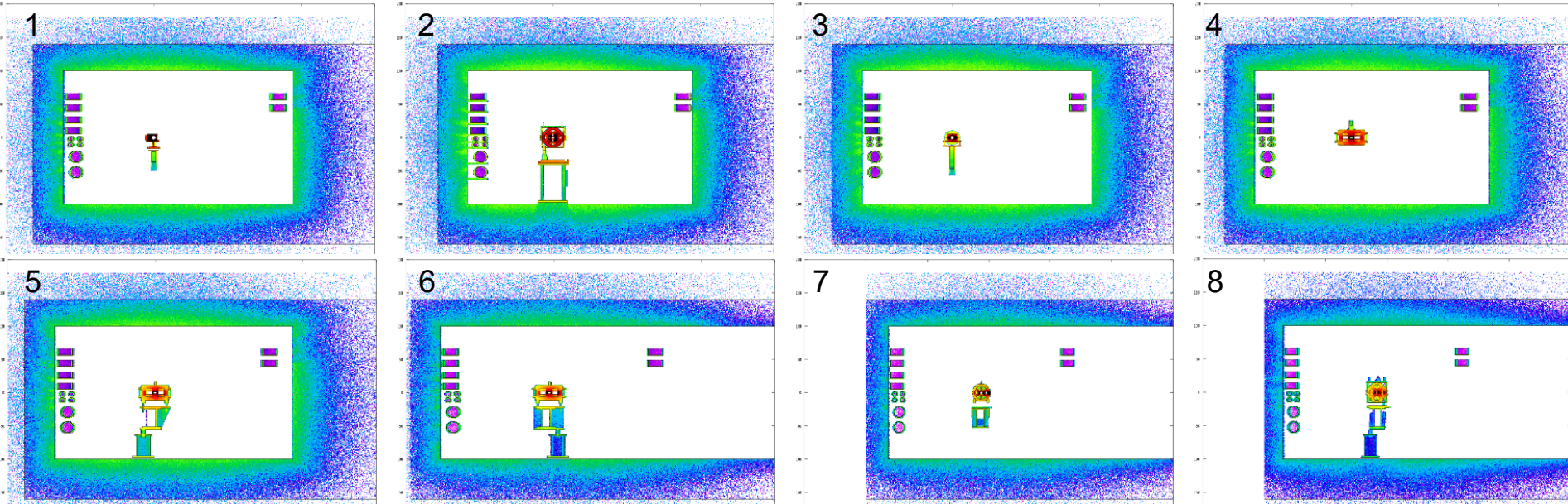
## Annual beam loss assumptions in booster

(recall: maximum annual injected charge in storage ring: 1.2 mC)

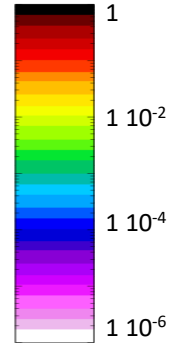
|                              | Injection in storage ring | R&D booster | Total  |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Injection (200 MeV)          | 2.9 mC                    | 2 mC        | 4.9 mC |
| Extraction (6 GeV)           | 0.4 mC                    | -           | 0.4 mC |
| Scraper (1 GeV)              | 0.1 mC                    | 0.3 mC      | 0.4 mC |
| Scraper (6 GeV)              | 0.1 mC                    | 0.3 mC      | 0.4 mC |
| Striplines (1 GeV)           | -                         | 0.3 mC      | 0.3 mC |
| Elsewhere in booster (1 GeV) | 0.1 mC                    | 0.3 mC      | 0.4 mC |
| Total                        | 3.6 mC                    | 3.2 mC      | 6.8 mC |

For activation measurements we assume 0.4 mC lost in a single cell.

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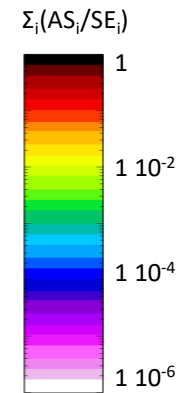
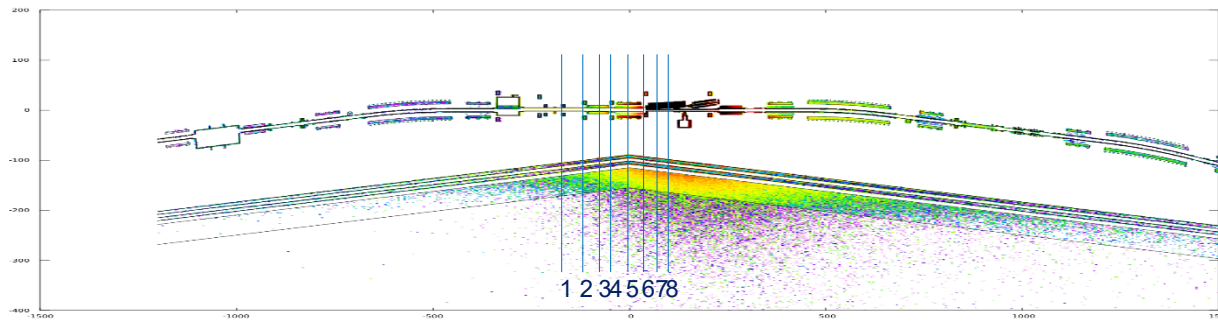
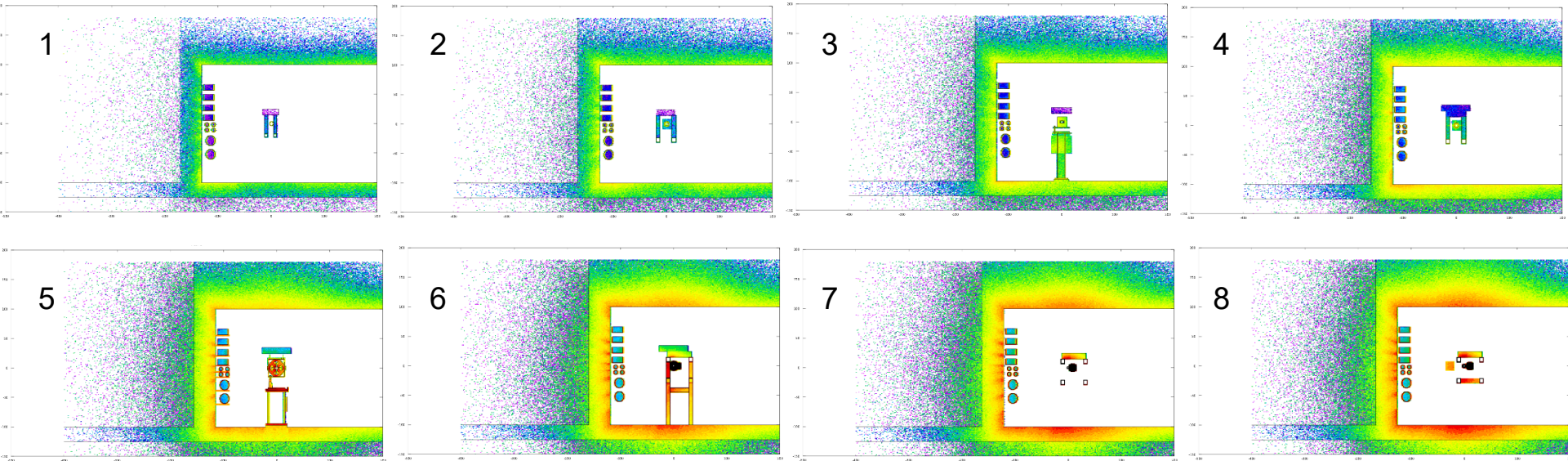


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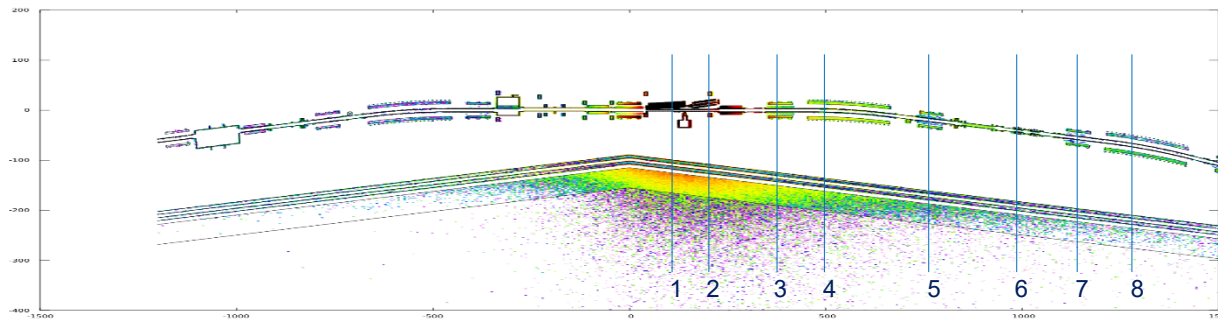
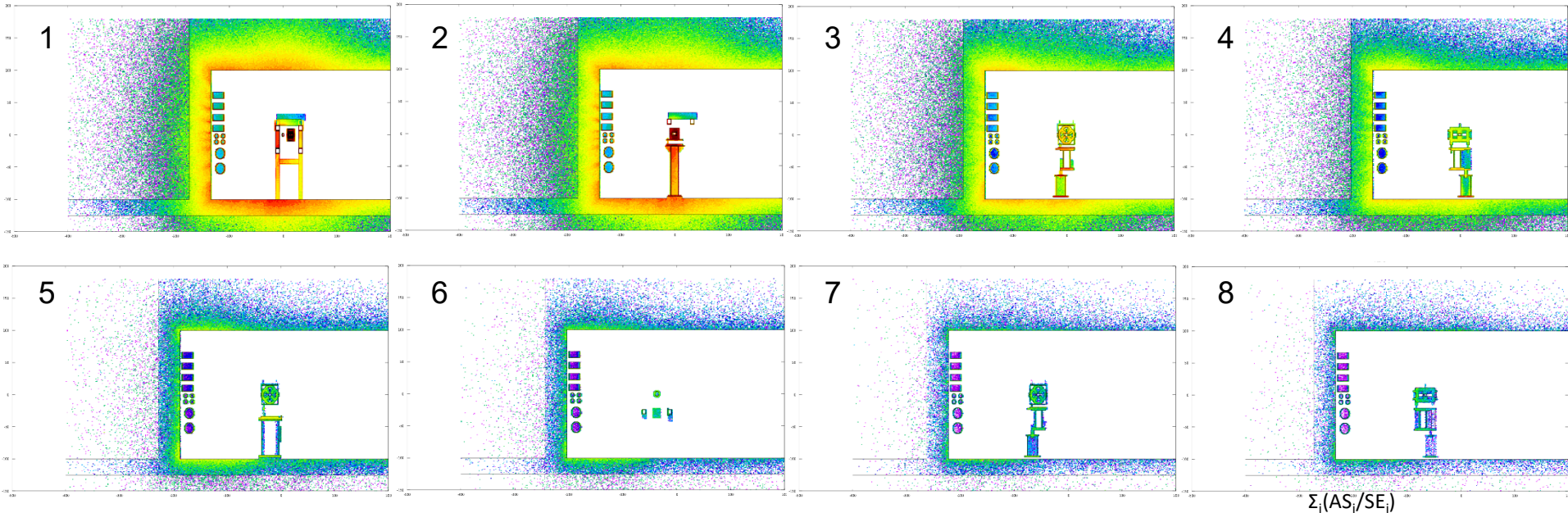




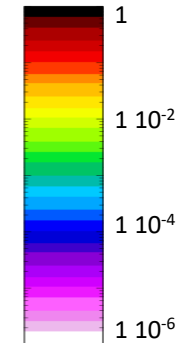
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