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LMJ program & Diagnostics plan

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Laser MegaJoule main characteristics

4 Laser bays

Glass Neodymium laser, frequency tripled : $\lambda = 0.35 \,\mu m$

Designed for 240 beams, 176 will be installed

Laser energy ~ 1.5 MJ, Power ~ 400 TW
 Pulse duration : from 0.7 to 25 ns

Target bay

Biological protection : 2 m thick concreteTarget chamber Ø 10 m

200 ports for laser beams and diagnostics





Ignition target

2 X 2 cones irradiation : 33° & 49°
Hohlraum length ~ cm
Capsule Ø ~ 2 mm

DT cryogenic layer

LMJ Schedule : the "3 thirds rule"

Three main activities are performed during the year

- Mounting of new bundles
- Activation / qualification of the previous mounted bundles
- Plasma experiments

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|-----------------------|-----|----------------------|--------------|-----|---------|------|-----|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 st Shift | | Mounti | ng | | Mountir | ıg | | | | | | |
| 2 nd Shift | Q | Activat pualifica | ion Ition | H | xperime | ents | Mou | inting | | | | |

Only one shift is dedicated to experiments => 1 shot/day during less than 4 months

50 Physics shots + 30 preparation shots (Diagnostic qualification, pointing, synchro, ...)

Other activities can impact the schedule :

- Preparation for maintenance of activated equipment
 - Due to high energy particles generated by PETAL shot in 2017
- => no experiments at the end of 2016

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7-Ignition

Study of different kind of ignition targets Control of DT burning

8-Applications

Coupling of an ignition target with another target

Control of complex powerful system

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- 1st configuration: 1 laser bundle **2 SID**
 - **4 diagnostics**



Total Energy = 25 kJ



Target bay : 1st configuration equipment (today)



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The 6 experimental configurations of Laser MegaJoule

2nd configuration: 2 laser bundles (+ PETAL)

Total Energy = 60 kJ

Particles

3 SID

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9 diagnostics





Target bay : 2nd configuration equipment - 2017



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3rd configuration: 5 laser bundles (+ PETAL) 4 SID 13 Diagnostics



| X-ray Dia | agnostics | Optical | Particles | |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Imagers | Spectro. | Diagnostics | Diagnostics | |
| GXI-1 | DMX | FABS1 | SESAME | |
| GXI-2 | miniDMX | EOS pack | SEPAGE | |
| SHXI | SPECTIX | | | |
| SSXI | | | | |
| ERHXI | | | | |
| UPXI | | | | |





Total Energy = 150 kJ

Target bay : 3rd configuration equipment - 2018



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4th configuration : 7 to 9 laser bundles (+ PETAL) Total Energy = 250 to 320 kJ ■ 3rd order « symmetry » (then 4th) => First Implosion (D₂/Ar gas) and neutron production 5 SID **X-ray Diagnostics** Optical **Particles**

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5th configuration : 11 to 21 laser bundles (+ PETAL) Total Energy = 530 kJ to 1 MJ
 ■ Low Temp. target positioning system, 5th order axial symmetry => Ignition preparation
 6 SID

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| X-ray Dia | agnostics | Optical | Particles | |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--|
| Imagers | Spectro. | Diagnostics | Diagnostics | |
| GXI-1 | DMX | FABS1&2 | SESAME | |
| GXI-2 | miniDMX | NBI | SEPAGE | |
| SHXI | SPECTIX | EOS pack | Neutron pack | |
| SSXI | HRXS | Thomson | Neutron pack | |
| | | Scattering | 2 | |
| ERHXI | SRSXS | | | |
| UPXI-LPXI | miniDMX2 | | | |
| GSXI | SRHXS | | | |
| SHXI-2 | | | | |
| GXI-3 | | | | |

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6th configuration : 22 laser bundles (+ PETAL) Total Energy = 1,5 MJ ■ Cryogenic target positioning system, Full axial symmetry => Ignition Milestone Up to 10 SID 26+ Diagnostics X-ray Diagnostics Optical Particles



| X-ray Dia | agnostics | Optical | Particles | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------|--|
| Imagers | Spectro. | Diagnostics | Diagnostics | |
| GXI-1 | DMX | FABS1&2 | SESAME | |
| GXI-2 | miniDMX | NBI | SEPAGE | |
| SHXI | SPECTIX | EOS pack | Neutron pack | |
| SSXI | HRXS | Thomson Scattering | Neutron pack 2 | |
| ERHXI | SRSXS | | | |
| UPXI-LPXI | miniDMX2 | | | |
| GSXI | SRHXS | | | |
| SHXI-2 | | | | |
| GXI-3 | | | | |



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October 2014: The first LMJ Campaign Dynamics of slot closure

Demonstrate LMJ abilities to perform experiments for Simulation program

- Slot dynamics is diagnosed by auto-radiography
- **First shot with Ta₂O₅ aerogel sample, 200 μm thickness**



Details of the phenomena are well predicted by simulations

Late phenomena of the closure dynamics



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Rochester

| June, 29th 2016

2015 - Asymmetrical implosion

The egg shape, predicted by simulation, is due to the anisotropic distribution of the drive around the capsule.





2015 – Technological Singularity 50 µm 18 µm Effect of a technological singularity present on a laser target ■ Shock propagation in Ta₂O₅ disk (radiographic contrast) including the singularity. Shocks coalescence and inversion of the defect, which leads to a jet of material in a foam. ■ Multi-time late radiography of the jet. Grid Jet X-ray Radiography **O28H** Tube. CH Foam $\Delta t = 18 \text{ ns}$ 21 ns 24 ns 27 ns Grid (Spatial reference)) Simulation 1,6 Ta₂O₅ disk E laser ~ 11.5 kJ 1,5 Position of the tip of the jet (mm) with central defect points expérimentaux #5 1,4 8 kJ **Q28B** 1,3 #1 1,2 11 kJ X Radiography of the jet #6 1,1 #4 6,5 kJ (Hard X-ray Imager GXI-1) 1 #3 9 kJ 0,9 10.5 kI #2 0,8 11 kJ 0,7 0,6 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 time (ns) | June, 29th 2016 J-L. Miquel CEA/DAM/DAN Rochester 18



High sensitivity to the sample characteristics (thickness, slot width, ...)

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Continuation of the program

Radiation transport

- **Radiative balance in hohlraums 2016**
- **Radiative propagation in a close sub-sonic regime 2017**
- **Radiative propagation in inhomogeneous media -2017**
- Rosseland opacities 2017

Hohlraum energetics

- Characterization of magnetic fields 2017 (Academic access)
- X-ray conversion on the rear face of target 2018
- Laser-Plasma Interaction in gas hohlraum 2019

EoS

■ Reference materials (Quartz, Al, diamond) and low-Z materials (B, HLi) – 2019

Implosion hydrodynamics

- Corrected asymmetrical implosion 2017
- **1D** planar hydrodynamics 2018
- **D**₂ capsule implosion (neutron production) 2019

Hydrodynamics Instabilities

Turbulence in shock tube - 2018

Ceal Access of the Academic Community to LMJ-PETAL

Opening policy

■ The CEA-DAM has promoted for several decades collaboration with national and international scientific communities

Between 2005 and 2014, access to the LIL facility has been given to the scientific community

With the LMJ and PETAL facilities, the CEA-DAM is once again in a position to welcome national and international teams.

■ LMJ-PETAL User Guide (+ Diagnostic forms) provides the necessary technical references for the writing of Letter of Intent of experimental proposals to be performed on LMJ-PETAL.

- Regularly updated version of this User guide is available on LMJ website at : <u>http://www-lmj.cea.fr/en/ForUsers</u>
- Academic access and selection of the proposals are coordinated by Institut Laser & Plasmas (ILP) with the help of the International Scientific Advisory Committee of PETAL.

A direct access to LMJ-PETAL is also possible through NNSA-CEA collaboration



GXI-1

Academic experiments

First call for experiments:

■ The first configuration (end 2016) includes 4 quads and the PETAL beam

4 experiments selected (2017-2018) among 16 proposals

- Amplification of B fields in radiative plasmas : Magnetogenesis and turbulence in galaxy
 - PI : Prof G. Gregori Department of Physics, University of Oxford
- Interacting radiative shock : an opportunity to study astrophysical objects in Laboratory
 PI : Dr M. Koenig – LULI, Ecole Polytechnique
- Study of the interplay between B field and heat transport in ICF conditions,
 - Dr R. Smets LPP Ecole Polytechnique
- Strong Shock generation by laser plasma interaction in presence or not of laser smoothing
 - PI : Dr. S. Baton LULI, Ecole Polytechnique ; X. Ribeyre CELIA, Univ. Bordeaux

Second call: launched on April 2016

- First selection by experts of the ISAC-P (International Scientific Advisory Committee of PETAL), organized by the Institute Lasers et Plasmas (ILP) : September 2016.
- After this pre-selection, the deposit of the full proposals will be asked for December 2016.
- → The experiments will take place in 2019 and 2020, with 14 quads and 16 diagnostics.

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Plasma diagnostics installed on LMJ

| Name | Characteristics | Needs | Position |
|-----------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| GXI-1 | Gated hard X-ray imager, Space resolution = $35 \mu m$ Field of view: 3 mm | 2D X-ray image | SID |
| GXI-2 (GXI-1 like) | Gated hard X-ray imager, Space resol. = 150 or 50 µm Field of view: 15 mm or 5 mm | Beams pointing monitoring | SID |
| DMX | Broad-band X-ray spectrometer, temporally resolved | Primary hohlraum radiative temp. | MS D9 (D8 in 2018) |
| Mini-DMX | Mini Broad-band X-ray spectrometer, temporally resolved | Secondary hohlraum radiative temp. | SID |

GXI-1 (and 2), Gated X-ray Imager 1 (and 2)

| Characteristics | Spectral range | Spatial resolution (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resolution (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--|----------------|---|--|
| Magnification = 4.3 (0.9) | | | |
| 2x4 time-resolved toroidal mirror channels | 0.5 - 10 keV | 35/3 (150/15) | 110 - 130 / 20 |
| 4 pinhole (refractive lenses) channels | 2 (6) - 15 keV | 40/3 (150/15) | 110 – 130 / 20 |
| 1 time-integrated mirror channel | 0.5 - 10 keV | 50/5 (140/20) | without |



Cea DMX, Broad-band X-ray Spectrometer

| Characteristics | Spectral range (resol. E/∆E) | Spatial resol. (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resol.(ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 20 time-resolved broad-band channels | 0.03 - 20 keV(5) | - / 5 | 150 / 10 ⁵ |
| Grating X-ray spectrometer $Dl < 1$ Å | 0.1 - 1.5 & 1.5 - 4 keV | | 17/2 to 120/25 |
| Laser Entrance Hole Imager | 0.5 - 2 keV | 100 / 5 | 500/20 |
| X-ray Power | 0.1-2 , 2-4 & 4-6 keV | - / 5 | 150 / 105 |



- a time resolved soft X-ray broad-band spectrometer (20 channels combining mirror, filters, X-ray diodes)
- a time resolved soft X-ray spectrometer (gratings and streak camera)
- a laser entrance hole imaging time resolution planned
- a time resolved X-ray power measurement spectrally integrated.

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Mini-DMX, Mini-Broad-band X-ray Spectrometer

| Characteristics | Spectral range (resol. $E/\Delta E$) | Spatial resol. (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resol. (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 16 time-resolved broad-brand channels | 0.03 – 7 keV (5) | - / 5 | 150 / 10 ⁵ |



Plasma diagnostics in progress

| Name | Characteristics | Needs | Position | Planned |
|----------|--|---|----------------------------|---------|
| SSXI | Streaked soft X-ray Imager, Space resol. = 30 or 50 µm Field of view : 5mm or 15mm | Rosseland Opacities Radiative Transfer | SID | 2017 |
| SHXI | Streaked hard X-ray imager Space resol. = 150 µm Field of view: 15 mm | 1D X-ray image | SID | 2017 |
| EOS Pack | VISAR, SBO, Pyrometer, Reflectivity | EOS Shocks propagation | SID + analysis table | 2019 |

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SSXI, Streaked Soft X-ray Imager

| Characteristics | Spectral range | Spatial resolution (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resolution (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--|----------------|---|--|
| Magnification = 1 or 3 | | | |
| 1 time-resolved bi-toroidal mirror channel | 0.05 – 1.5 keV | 30/5 or 50/15 | 17/2 to 120/25 |
| 1 time-integrated bi-toroidal mirror channel | 0.05 – 1.5 keV | 30 / 5 or 50 / 15 | without |
| Spectral selection by grating | | | |

- Time-resolved 1D image or time / space-resolved spectra in the soft X-ray spectral region.

- Analysis of radiative waves and soft X-ray target emission.

- Association of an optics assembly

and a spectral selection device

(blast shield which large flat mirror,

with grazing incidence, and an X-ray microscope with two channels).

- The spectral selection is provided by two lowpass mirrors combined with a reflective flat field grating.



SXHI, Streaked Hard X-ray Imager

| Characteristics | Spectral range | Spatial resolution (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resolution (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--|----------------|---|---|
| Magnification = 1 or 3 | | | |
| 1 time-resolved toroidal mirror channels | 0.5 - 10 keV | 150/15 or 50/5 | 17/2 to 120/25 |
| 1 time-integrated mirror channel | 5 - 10 keV | 130/20 or 50/6.5 | without |

- Time-resolved 1D image in the hard X-ray spectral region.

- X-ray radiography and hard X-ray target emission.

- Two X-ray channels per magnification (grazing angle-of-incidence toroidal mirrors and a filter).

- One image of them produced on the streak camera while the other formed on a time integrated detector (CID).

- A protective holder contains three films to protect optical components.





EOS Pack, Diagnostics set for EOS experiments

| Characteristics | Measurement or Spectral range (nm) | Spatial resol. (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resol. (ps) / Dynamic (ns) | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| 2 VISARs (1064 and 532 nm) | Velocity 0.5 - 200 km/s | 30 / 1 to 50 / 5 | 50 / 5 to | |
| Reflectivity | <i>R</i> > 0.1 | 5071105075 | 500 / 100 | |
| 2 Shock Break Out (SBO) | 490 - 750 | | 50 / 5 to 500 / 100 | |
| Pyrometer | Temp. $> 0.1 \ eV$ | 30 / 1 to 100 / 10 | 5075105007100 | |
| 2 x 2 D images | 490 - 750 | | 75 - 200 / 2 - 20 | |

- Optical system, positioned close to the target (SID),

- Optical transport system
- Analysis table.

- Laser and optical analyzers will be hardened and protected against EMP inside Faraday cages.



Plasma diagnostics under study

| Name | Characteristics | Needs | Position | Planned |
|--------------|---|--|----------------------|-----------|
| UPXI - LPXI | Hard X-ray imagers, upper and lower polar | LEH images in polar irradiation | Specif. Mechanics | 2018-2019 |
| FABS | Full aperture backscattering system (Raman-Brillouin spectrometer), Q28H | Energy Balance Interaction | Focusing system | 2019 |
| NBI | Near Backscatter Imager (analysis of backscattered light outside Q28H & Q29H) | Energy Balance Interaction | Chamber | 2019 |
| ERHXI | Enhanced Resolution Hard X-ray Imager, Spatial resolution: 7 to 20 µm Field of view 0.5 or 1.5 mm | Imploded core image | SID | 2019 |
| HRXS | High Resolution X-ray Spectrometer, Spatial resolution: 10 or 100 µm Field of view 0.5 or 5 mm | NLTE spectroscopy Spectral opacities | SID | 2019 |
| Neutron Pack | Neutron Counting, flying time for Ti, bang time | First fusion reactions | Chamber | 2019 |



UPXI – LPXI, Upper – Lower Polar X-ray Imagers

| Characteristics | | Spectral range | Spatial resolution (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resolution (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|--|
| 1 pinhole channel | | | | |
| Passive detector Magnif. = 2 to 5 | CID detector | | 80 / 12 to 65 / 5 | without |
| | Image Plate | > 3 keV | 80 / 50 to 65 / 25 | |
| Optional camera | Streak camera | | 65 / 2 | 17/2 to 120/25 |
| Magnif. = 6 | Framing camera | | | 110 - 130 / 20 |

- Time-integrated 2D image, or optionally time-resolved 2D or 1D image, in the hard X-ray spectral region.
- Dedicated to pointing precision of LMJ laser beams
- The image is accomplished with a single 50 μ m diameter pinhole laser drilled into a tantalum foil. The maximum target to pinhole distance is 250 cm (minimum is 150 cm) for a magnification of 2 (5 or 6).

- Available with time-integrated detectors and time-resolved detectors (X-ray streak camera operating with a temporal resolution of 50 ps or ARGOS framing camera).



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FABS, Full Aperture Backscattering System

| Characteristics | Measurement or Spectral range (nm) | Spatial resol. / Field of view | Time resol. (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Brillouin spectrometer $\Delta\lambda < 0.05$ nm | 346 - 356 | | 50 / 5 to 250 / 25 |
| Raman spectrometer $\Delta\lambda < 5$ nm | 375 - 750 | | |
| Time integrated calibration spectrom | 350 - 700 | | Without / 5 to 25 |
| | 375 - 750 | without 250 | |
| 3 Brillouin power channels | < 360 | | 250 / 25 |
| 2 Raman power channels | 350 - 750 | | 230723 |
| 1, 2, 3w power channels | 1053, 526, 351 | | 500/25 |

Analysis of backscattered light in the focusing cone of quadruplet 28U (and later 29U).
The backscattered energy is collected with an ellipsoidal Spectralon® scattering panel and sent to the Raman-Brillouin spectrometer.



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NBI, Near Backscatter Imager

| Characteristics | Spectral range (nm) | Spatial resol. (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resol. (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 2 Brillouin power channels | 346 - 356 | | 250 (25 |
| 2 Raman power channels | 375 - 750 | without | 250/25 |
| Brillouin image | 346 - 356 | <i>Angle:</i> 2° / 16° | |
| Raman image | 375 - 750 | Angle: 2° / 16° | |

Analysis of backscattered light outside the focusing cones of quadruplet 28U and 29U.
The backscattered energy is collected by an optical system looking at Spectralon® scattering panels inside the chamber, and send to an optical table where Raman and Brillouin ranges are analyzed.



ERHXI, Enhanced Resolution Hard X-ray Imager

| Characteristics | Spectral range | Spatial resolution (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resol. (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|---|----------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Magnification = 12 | | | |
| 8 time-resolved bi-toroidal mirror channels | 0.5 - 11 keV | 7/0,7 | 50/20 |

- Time-resolved 2D image in the hard X-ray spectral region with a high spatial resolution.

- Microscope with large source-to-optic distance and a new gated MCP (new ARGOS detector).
- The microscope includes eight X-ray channels, each consisting of 0.6° grazing angle-of-incidence bitoroidal mirrors and a filter.
- This imager must include a film protective holder to protect optical components from damages



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HRXS, High Resolution X-ray Spectrometer

| Characteristics | Spectral range (resol. Ε/ΔΕ) | Spatial resol. (µm) / Field of view (mm) | Time resolution (ps) / Dynamic (ns) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| Slit magnification $= 3$ | | | |
| 4 time-resolved crystal channels | 1 – 15 keV | 70 (1D) / 5 | 110 - 130 / 20 |
| 2 x 3 time-integrated | (~ 500) | 70 (ID) / S | without |
| crystal channels (CID) | | | Wilhoui |

Atomic physics (NLTE spectroscopy and opacity measurements). The central body is associated with the framing camera ARGOS (4 channels).
Can be outfitted with one broad cylindrical concave crystal in order to get four frames at 4 different times in one spectral range or with two crystals in order to get 2 frames on each crystal and two different spectral ranges.

- The front end of the spectrometers includes a snout with collimation slits and a debris shield made of three filter rolls.



Neutron Pack, Activation and nTOF diagnostics

| Characteristics | Yield (neutrons) | Spatial resolution / Field of view | Time resolution (ps) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Activation | D = 109 4 = 1015 | without | without |
| Gated PMT + scintillator | D_2 : 10° to 10 ¹³ | | 50 |
| Photodiode | $DT \cdot 10^9$ to 5 10^{18} | | (Timing accuracy) |
| CVD diamonds | D1:10 10 5.10 | | (Timing accuracy) |

- Neutron yield, ion temperature, neutron bang time and ratio of secondary to primary neutron reactions during D_2 and DT implosions.

- Several neutron Time of Flight detectors (nTOF: Gated photomultiplier tubes and scintillators, photodiodes, CVD diamonds) and activation (indium, copper, zirconium, etc.).

-These diagnostics will be installed in several stages.



Plasma diagnostics planned after 2019

| Name | Characteristics | Needs |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| GSXI | Gated Soft X-ray imager, medium field | Radiation transport |
| SRSXS | Spatially Resolved Soft X-ray spectrometer | Spectral opacities |
| 2 nd miniDMX | 2 nd MiniDMX adapted to measures of secondary cavities in nuclear environment | Tr secondary cavity Radiation transport: |
| FABS Q29H | Full Aperture Backscatter System on Quad29 | Energy balance Interaction |
| SHXI-2 | Streaked Hard X-ray Imager 2 | Implosion dynamics |
| Thomson scattering | 4 or 5ω probe beam | Characterization of plasma conditions in a cavity |
| GXI-3 | Gated X-ray Imager 3 High resolution, improved temporal resolution | Implosions final phase |
| SRHXS | Spatially Resolved Hard X-ray Spectrometer Improved temporal resolution | Final implosion conditions analysis Mixing effects |
| Neutrons Pack 2 | Neutron production history Directional measures | Neutron measurements enrichment rho-r / n(t) asymmetry |

PETAL+ Project: Plasma Diagnostics for PETAL experiments

Inserters :

Derived from LMJ SID (diagnostics compatibility)The first one is qualified

Electron spectrometer

- Magnetic spectrometer : 5 150 MeV
- Two modules on the chamber wall (0° and 45° /PETAL)
- Delivery : 2016

Hard X-ray spectrometer

Transmission crystals (x2 : Quartz, LiF) : 15 – 100 keV
 Shielding : high energy X-ray and particles (magnets)
 Delivery : 2016

Charged particles diagnostic

Proton spectroscopy & Imaging (proton-radiography)

 100 keV-200 MeV

 Electron spectroscopy

 100 keV - 150 MeV

 Two Thomson parabolas + Image Plate
 Delivery : 2017



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2nd European Conference on Plasma Diagnostics



Magnetic Confinement Fusion:

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- Beam Plasma & Inertial Fusion: Dimitri Batani, Jean-Luc Miguel, Keisuke Shigemori
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EPS endorsement pending

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The PETAL Project

■Wavelength : **1053 nm** (526 nm option)

■Pulse duration : from 0,5 to 10 ps

■Intensity on target : ~ 10²⁰ W/cm²

■Power contrast : 10⁻⁷ at -7 ps



PETAL is a part of the opening policy of CEA

■ It will be dedicated to the scientific community

PETAL was supported by





LASERS ET PLASMAS



The coupling of PETAL with LMJ is an opportunity to study a wider field of physics

PETAL goals

■Energy : up to 3 kJ *

■Energy contrast : 10⁻³

LMJ (1 beam)

■Energy : up to 7.5 kJ (x 176 = 1,3 MJ)

■Wavelength : 351 nm

Pulse duration : from 0,3 to 25 ns

■Intensity on target : ~ 10¹⁵ W/cm²

* limited at the beginning to 1 kJ due to the limited damage threshold of the transport mirrors

Rochester

First high energy shots in May 2015 : 1,2 PW - 846 J / 700 fs

Experimental results May 29th



Qualification is going on :

- Compression optimization : 570 fs 😊
- New diagnostics installed :
 - Contrast, focal spot, phase, …
 - **_**First contrast measurements : 10⁻⁶ @ -200 ps ⊖ => 2w option to be considered
- Wave front correction (toroidal mirror) => better focal spot
- Spatial uniformity will be upgraded
- The filling of sub-aperture will be improved

Spatio-temporal profiles

The LMJ beamlines : most of the components have been qualified on the LIL prototype

