

# Status of Cavity and Cryomodule Production for LCLS-II-HE



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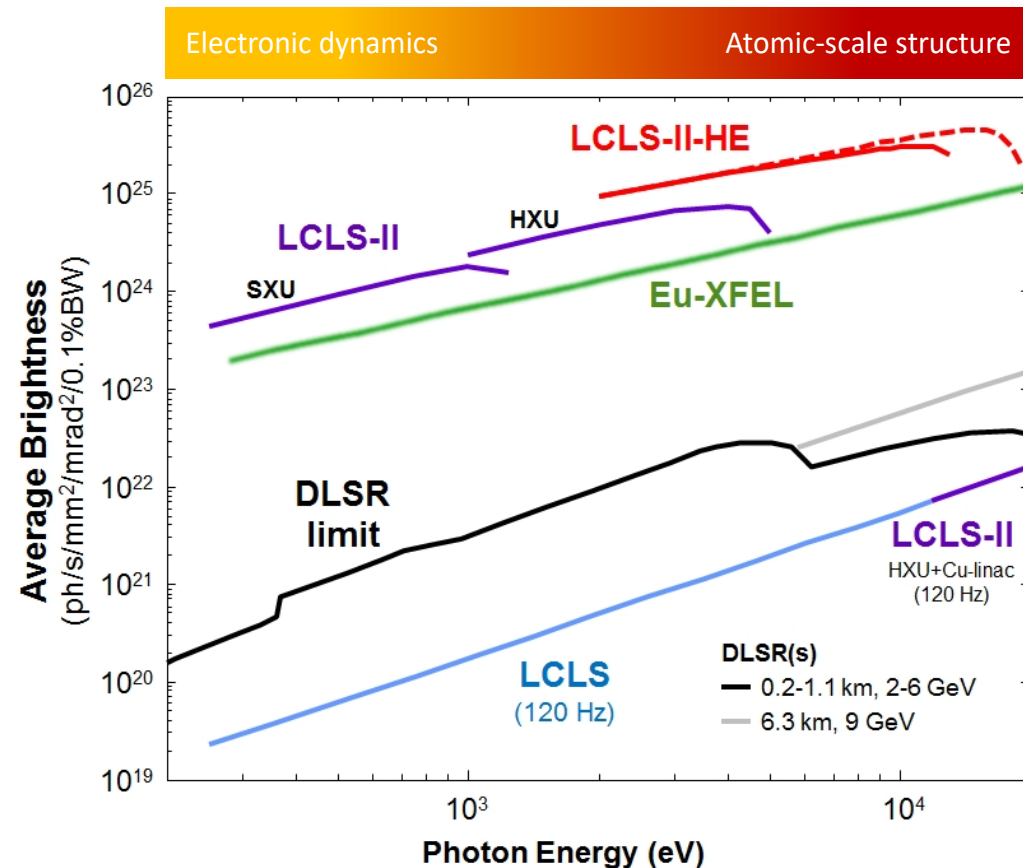
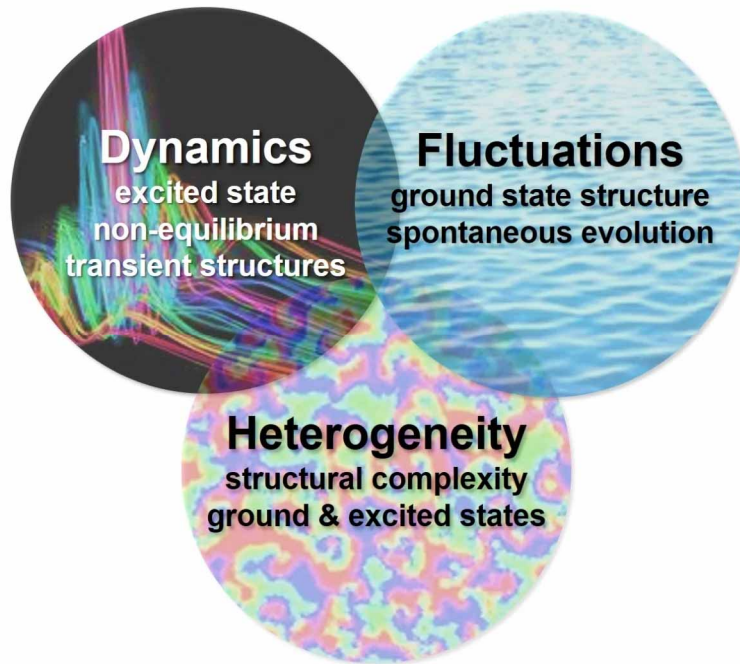
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# LCLS-II-HE mission

Deliver the ability to observe and understand the structural dynamics of complex matter at the atomic scale with hard x-rays, at ultrafast timescales, and in operational environments

- LCLS-II-HE provides high-rate, FEL radiation at Ångström wavelengths





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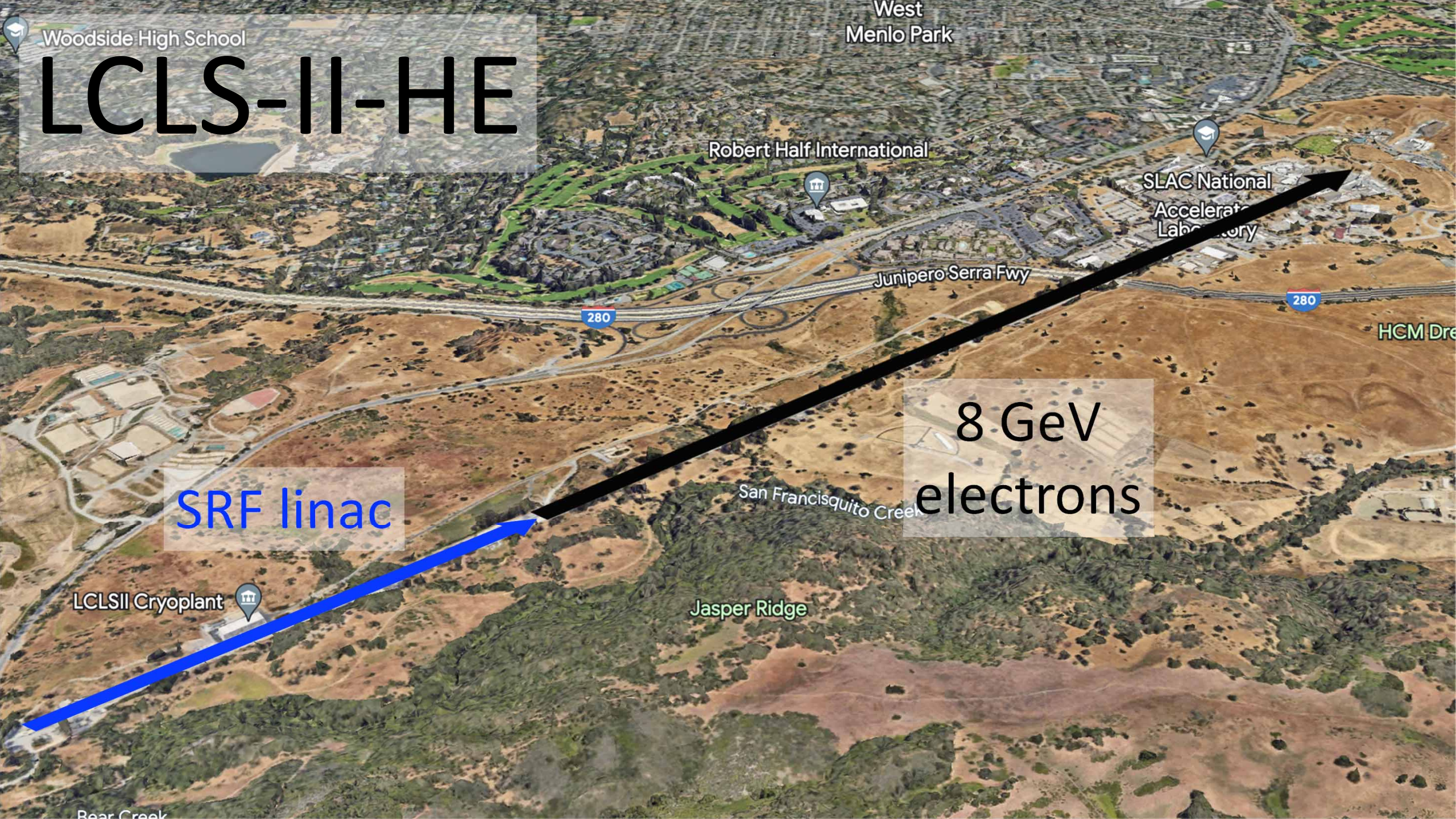
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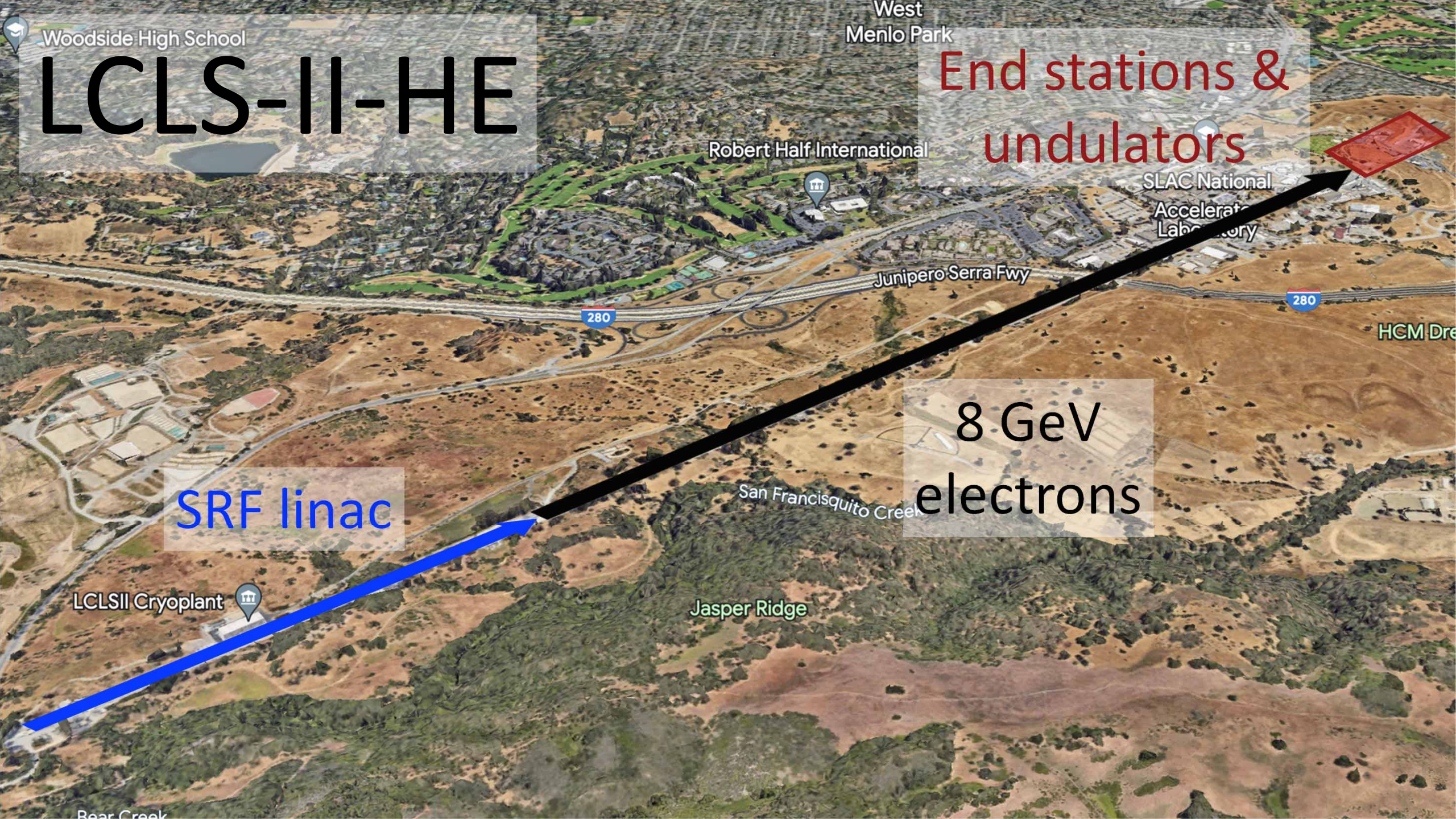
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SRF linac  
(35 CMs)

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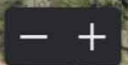
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Add 23 CMs  
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New helium  
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Arrillaga Recreation Center at SLAC

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LCLS Far Hall Tunnel Entrance

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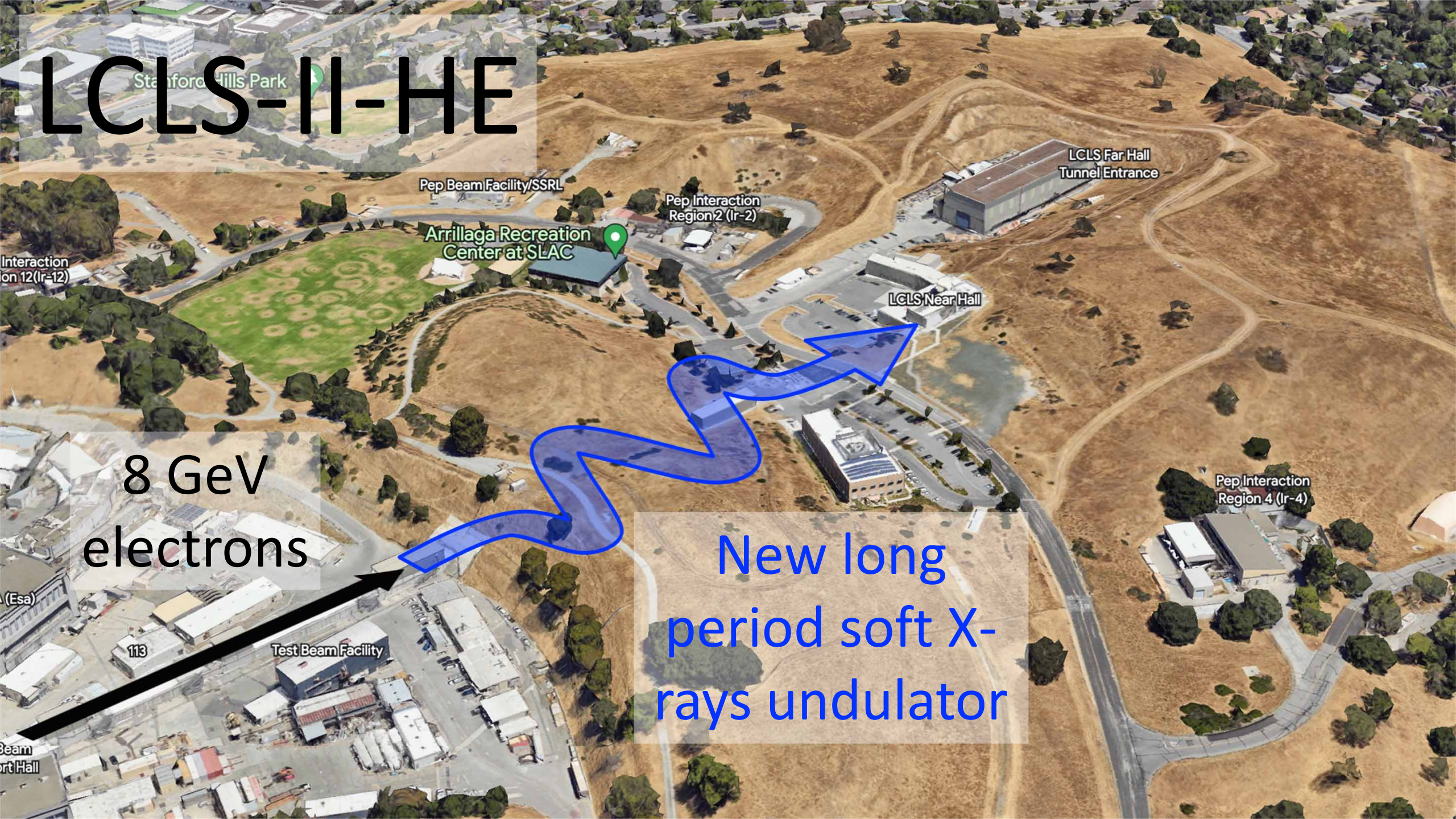
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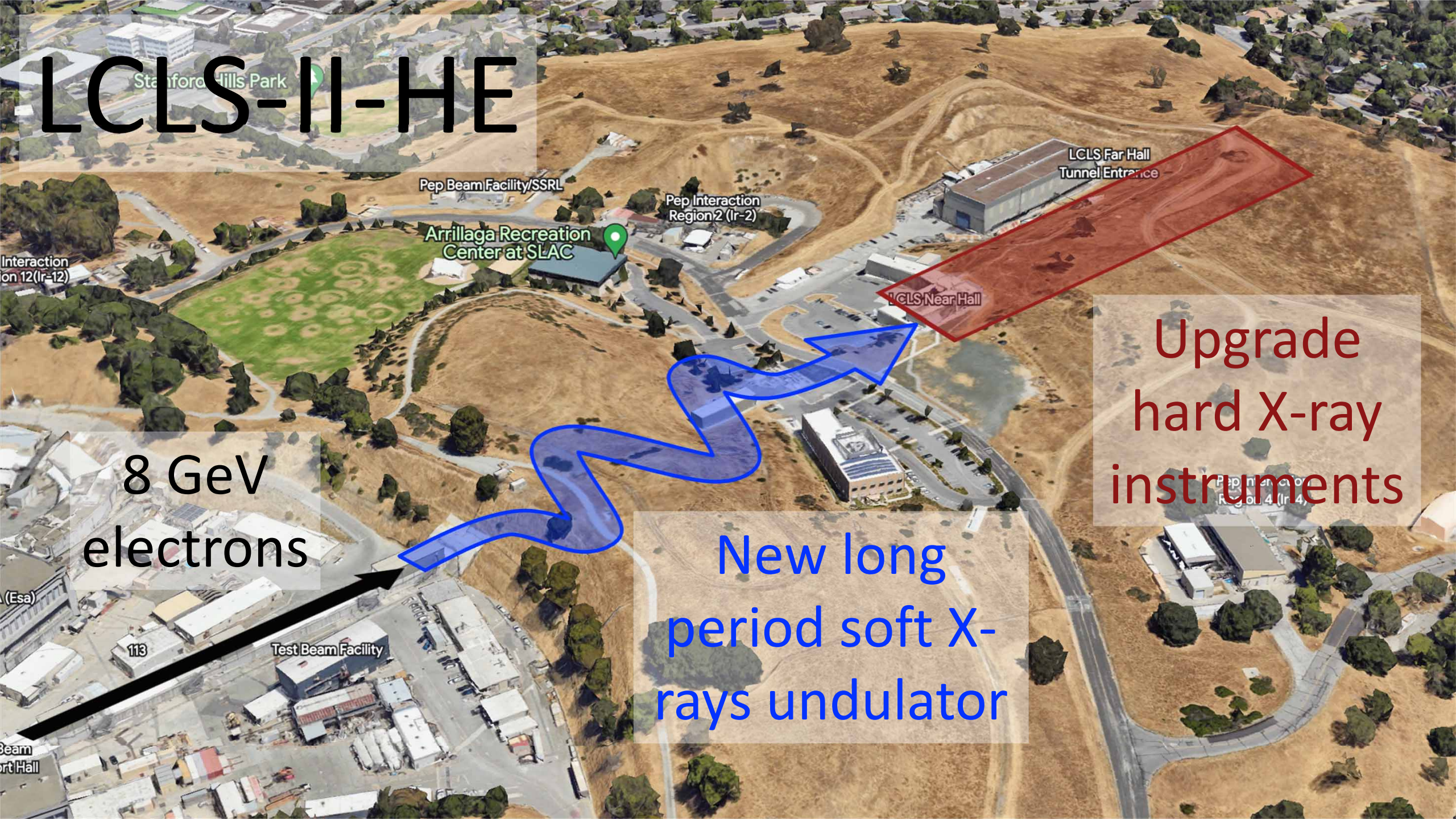
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# LCLS-II-HE project collaboration



- Accelerator and FEL Design & Installation
- High Power RF, low-level RF, and Controls
- X-ray instrument design & installation



- High Q0 & High Gradient R&D
- Cryomodule design and cryomodule production
- Buncher Cavity Cryomodule design



- High Q0 & High Gradient R&D
- Cryomodule production



- Accelerator Physics
- Undulator design & procurement



- SRF Gun Design & Prototype Demonstration



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# LCLS-II-HE summary timeline

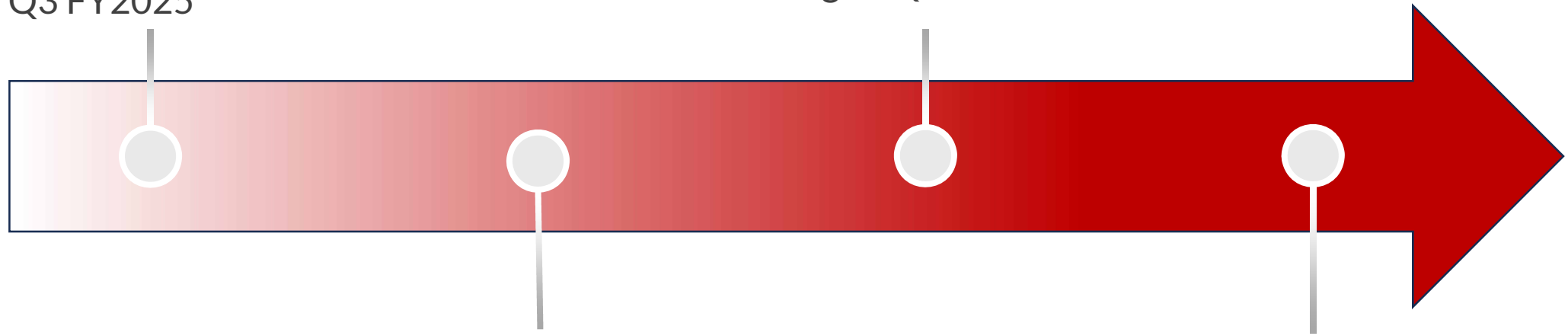
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## Completion of CM production

- Q3 FY2025

## Commissioning

- Q1 FY2027 to Q1 FY2028
- First light: Q2 FY2027



## CM Installation

- Q4 FY2025 to Q4 FY2026
- LCLS-II long down time

## CD-4

- Early finish: Q2 FY2028
- Completion: Q2 FY2030



# LCLS-II-HE cavity and cryomodule requirements

Objective: increase beam energy from 4.0 to 8.0 GeV

- 23 new cryomodules added to existing 35

Quantity	LCLS-II Cavities 4 GeV operation	LCLS-II Cavities 8 GeV operation	HE Cavities 8 GeV operation	Unit
Number of 1.3 GHz cavities	280	280	184	
Minimum average cavity $Q_0$ at nominal $E_{acc}$	2.7	2.7	2.7	$10^{10}$
Nominal average operating gradient	15.7 in L2-3	16.9 in L2-3	20.8	MV/m



# High-Q/High-gradient R&D

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R&D program following LCLS-II project to improve nitrogen doping recipe and surface processing (2018-2020)

- Research collaboration between SLAC, Fermilab, Jefferson Lab, Cornell University
- Increase cavity gradient without degrading  $Q_0$
- Improve uniformity of performance with tighter QA

## Incorporating lessons learned from LCLS-II

- Furnace contamination: recurring issue that led to significant amount of rework
- EP temperature: lower & more stable temperatures correlated with higher quench fields
- Flux expulsion: different material batches require different treatment
- In-person vendor oversight: necessary solve issues in a timely manner

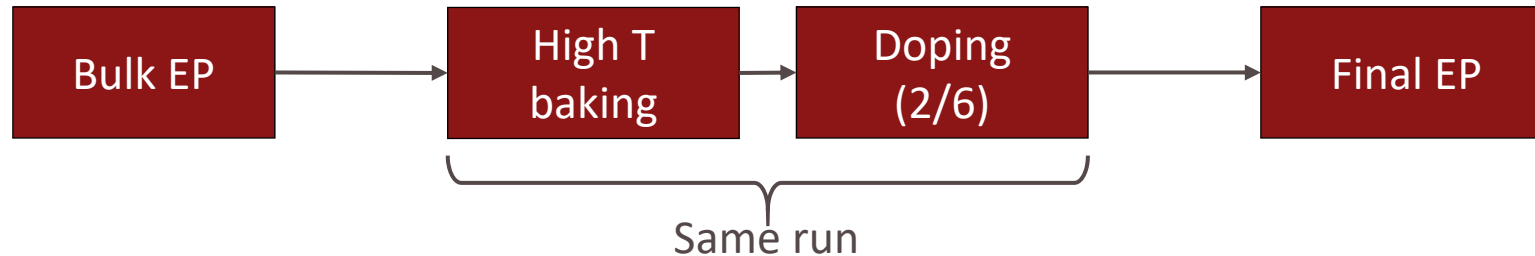


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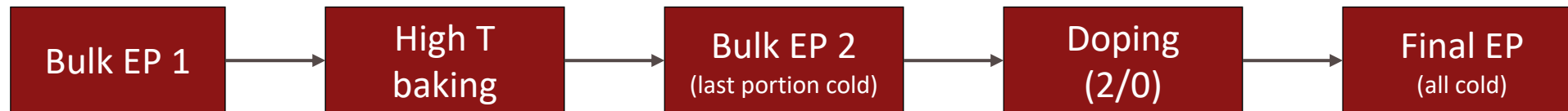


# LCLS-II-HE improved cavity processing

## LCLS-II



## LCLS-II-HE



## Additional changes:

- Continuous RGA spectrum during furnace runs
- Continuous monitoring of temperatures during electropolishing runs
- Sort cavity half-cell material by required heat treatment temperature



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## Cavity production and qualification



# Vertical test acceptance criteria

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- Gradient:  $E_{\text{acc}} \geq 23 \text{ MV/m}$
- Quality factor:  $Q_0(21 \text{ MV/m}) \geq 2.5 \times 10^{10}$ 
  - VT stainless steel flange  $R = 0.8 \text{ n}\Omega$
- HOM coupling:  $Q_{\text{ext}} > 2.7 \times 10^{11}$
- HOM power:  $P_{\text{HOM}}(21 \text{ MV/m}) < 1.7 \text{ W}$
- Field emission: no detectable FE up to quench
- Frequency:  $f = 1300.25 \pm 0.10 \text{ MHz}$
- Field probe coupling:  $2.5 \times 10^{11} < Q_{\text{ext}} < 7.0 \times 10^{11}$
- Multipacting: fully processed before final Q vs E curve
- $7\pi/9$  mode: avoid mode buildup  $\rightarrow$  quick measurements



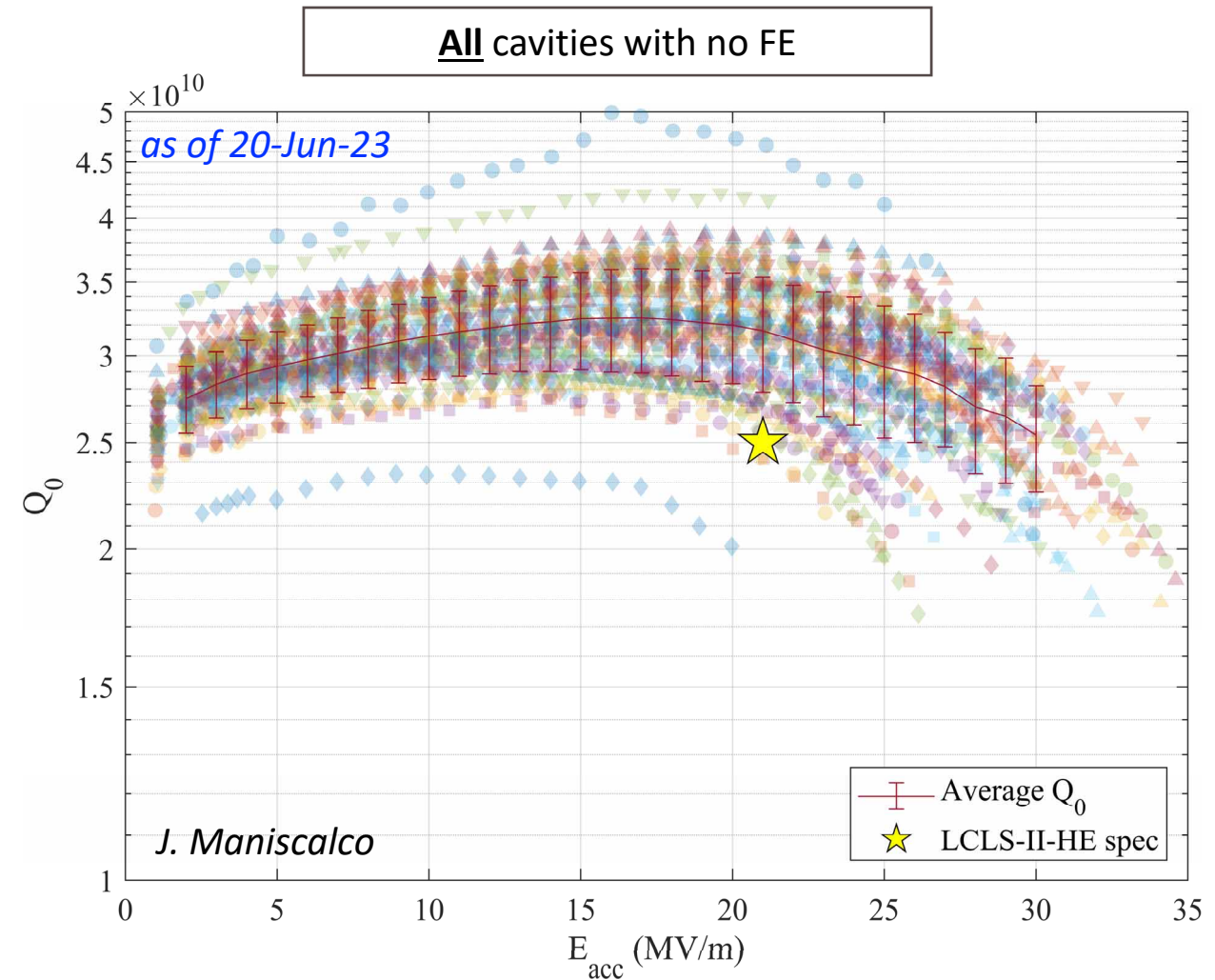
# Cavities vertical test results

## High-Q/High-gradient R&D outcome

- LCLS-II-HE incorporates the state-of-the art processing to achieve high-Q and high-gradient
- In average, cavities exceed both Q-factor and accelerating gradient

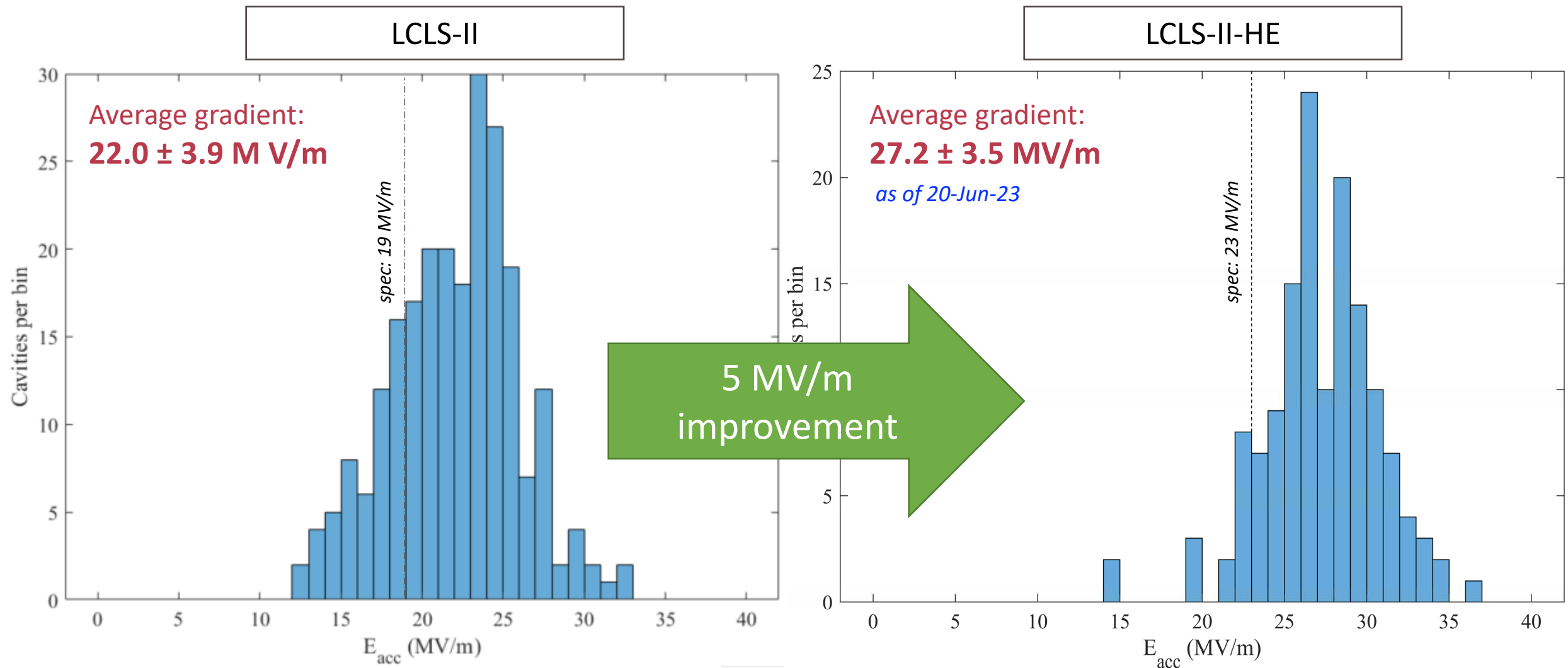
## Industrialization of the process

- Technology transfer to industry was successful
  - Constant communication with vendor and in-person oversight by project SMEs
- Major issues
  - He vessel bellows damage and non-conformities
  - Higher yield loss than anticipated for eddy current scanning qualification of raw Nb material



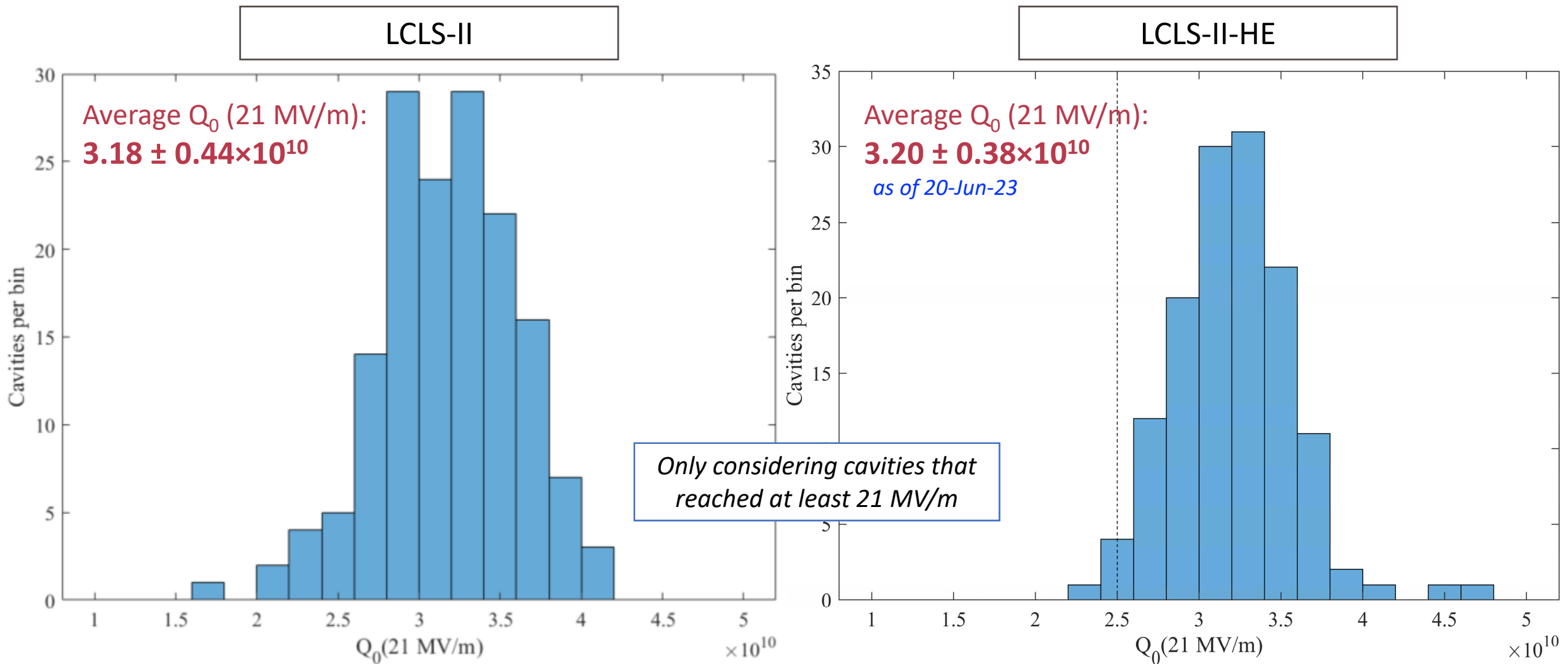


# HE cavities vs LCLS-II: accelerating gradient in VT





# HE cavities vs LCLS-II: quality factor in VT





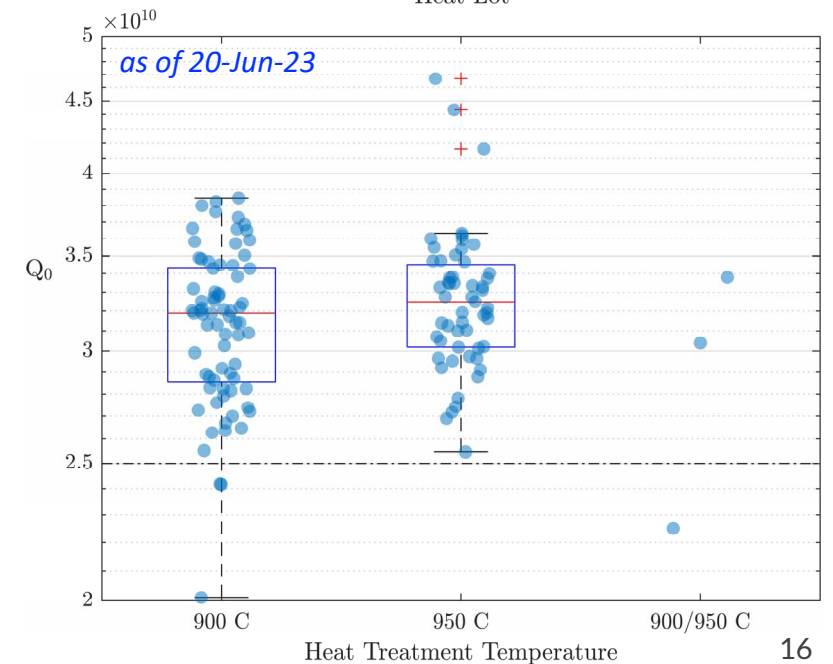
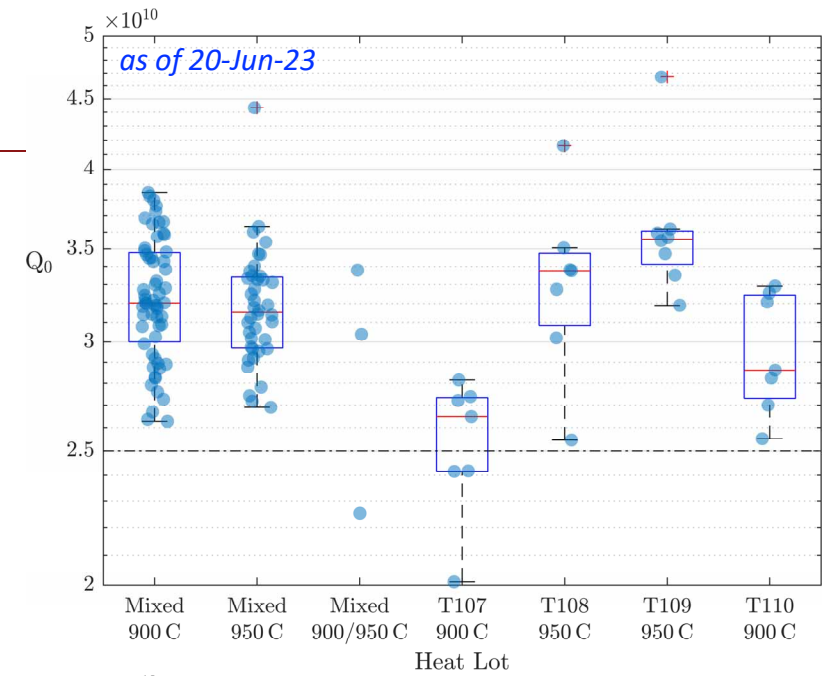
# Quality factor by heat lot

## High T baking temperature selection

- Single cells cavities were manufactured for each material lot
- Flux expulsion studies on single cells identified the correct heat treatment temperature for each lot

## Material segregation strategy has been successful

- Lots treated at higher temperature generally show higher  $Q_0$  (better flux expulsion)
- Mixed 900 °C lot cavities have higher  $Q_0$  than single lot cavities at same temperature
- High  $Q_0$  also for mixed 900/950 °C cavities with pre-treated subassemblies





# Yield and qualification statistics

## As received statistics:

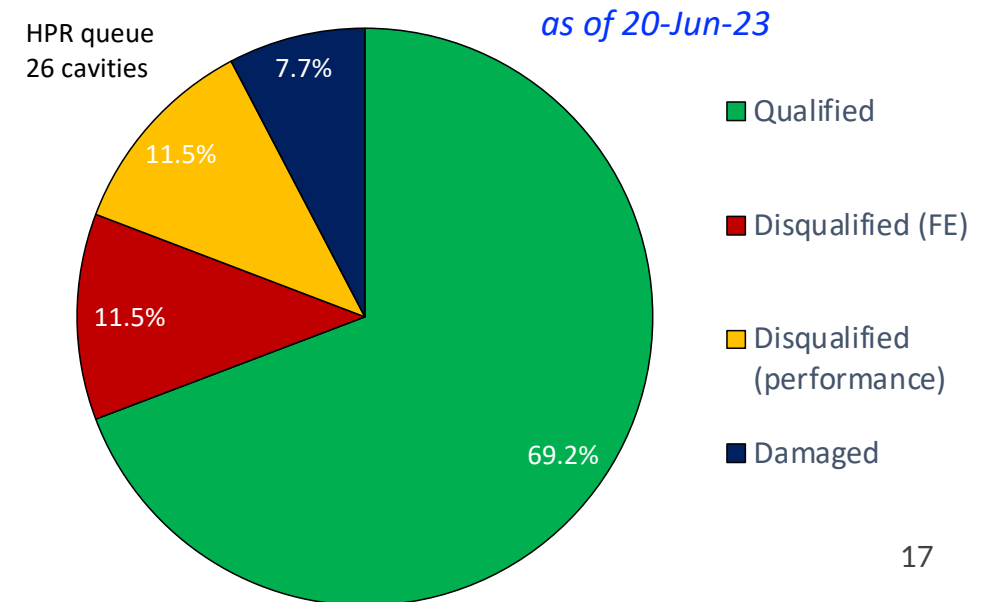
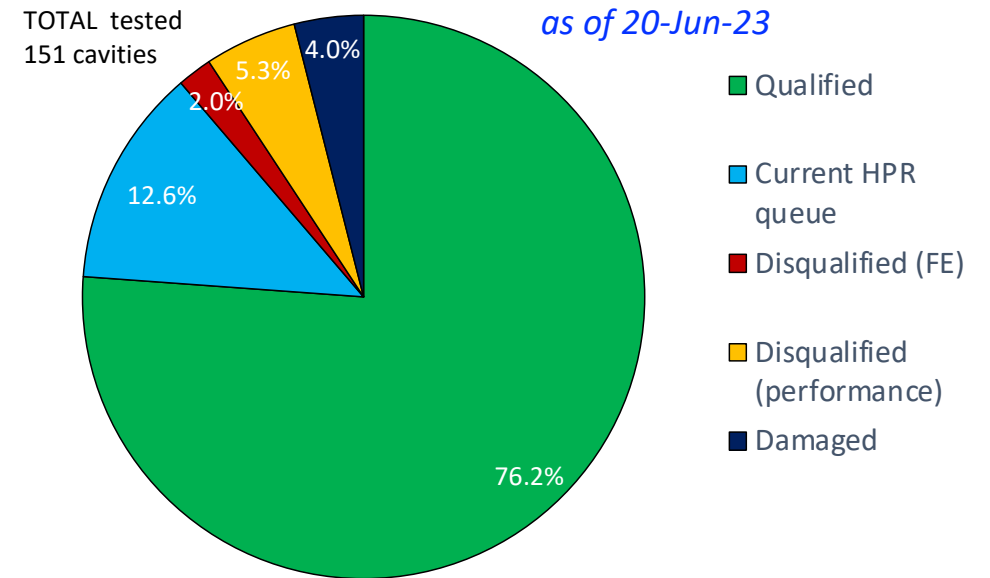
- Cavities delivered: **156**
- Cavities tested: **151**
  - Qualified: **76.2%**
  - HPR queue: **12.6%**
  - Disqualified: **7.3%**
  - Damaged: **4.0%**

## Field emission statistics:

- Cavities with FE from vendor: **26%**
- Qualification rate of cavities after HPR at PLs: **69.2%**

## Forecast:

- Total yield loss by the end of the project: **13.6%**





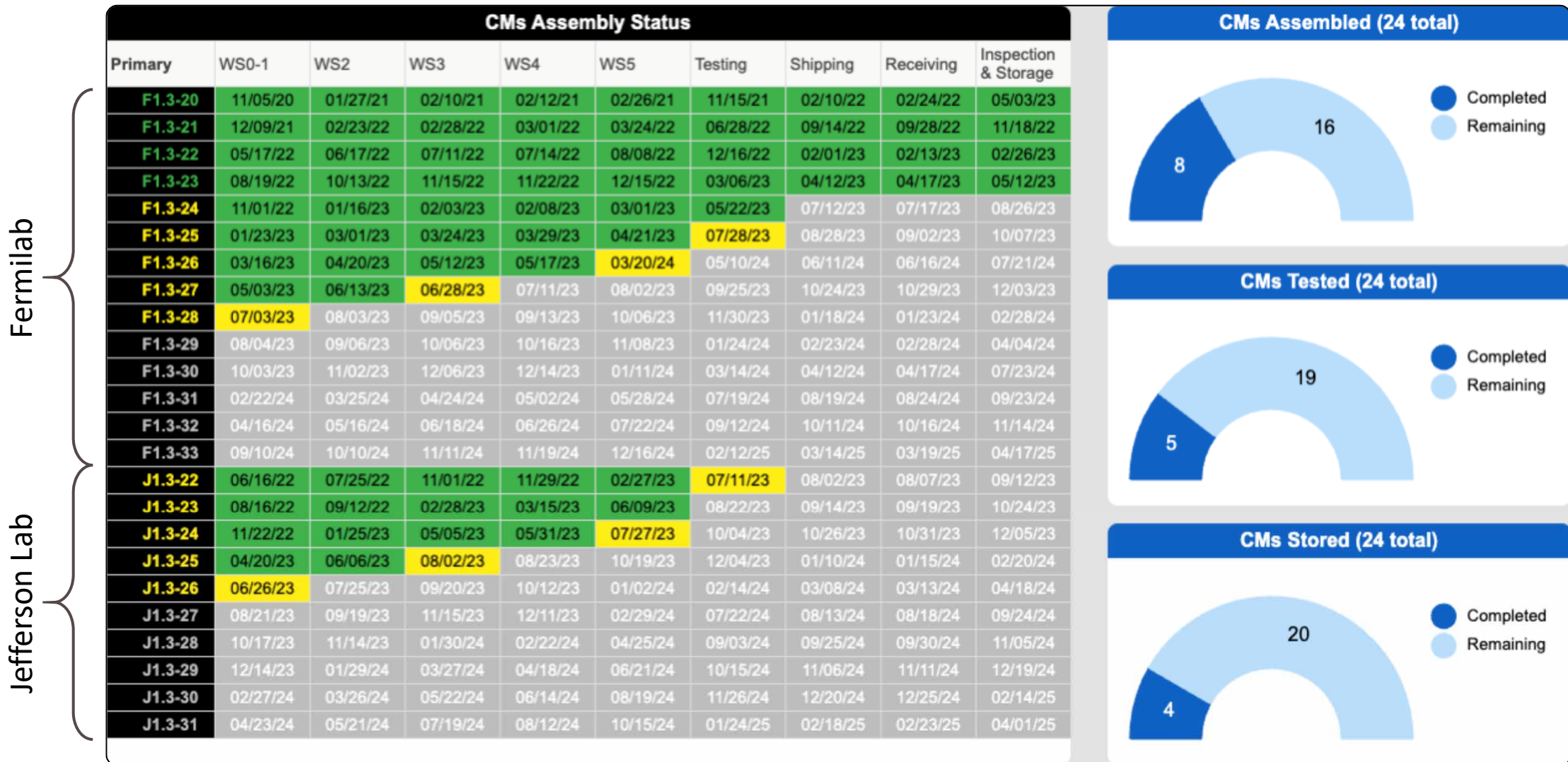
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## Cryomodule assembly and test

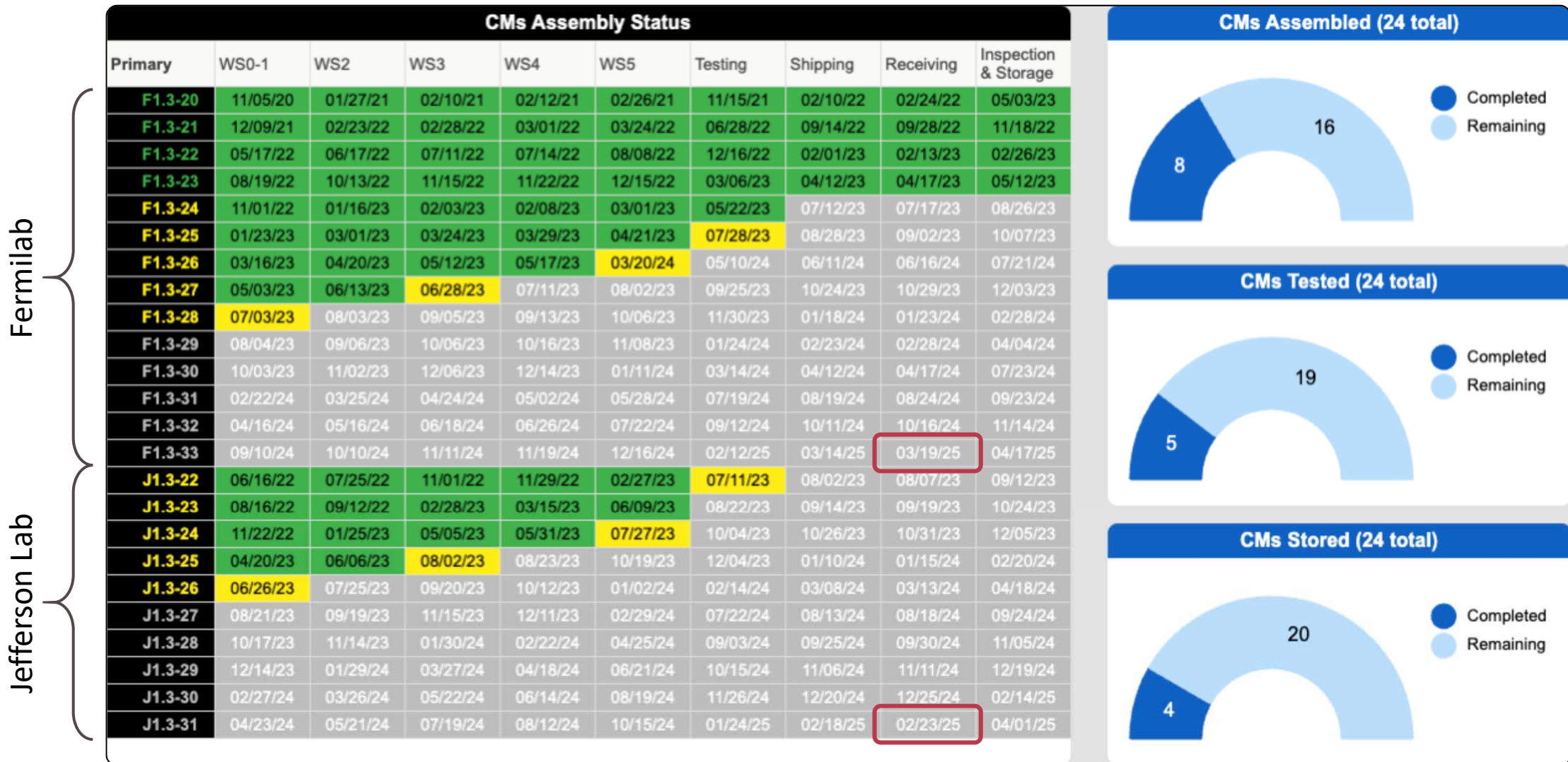


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# CM assembly and storage

24 cryomodules are being assembled at the partners labs

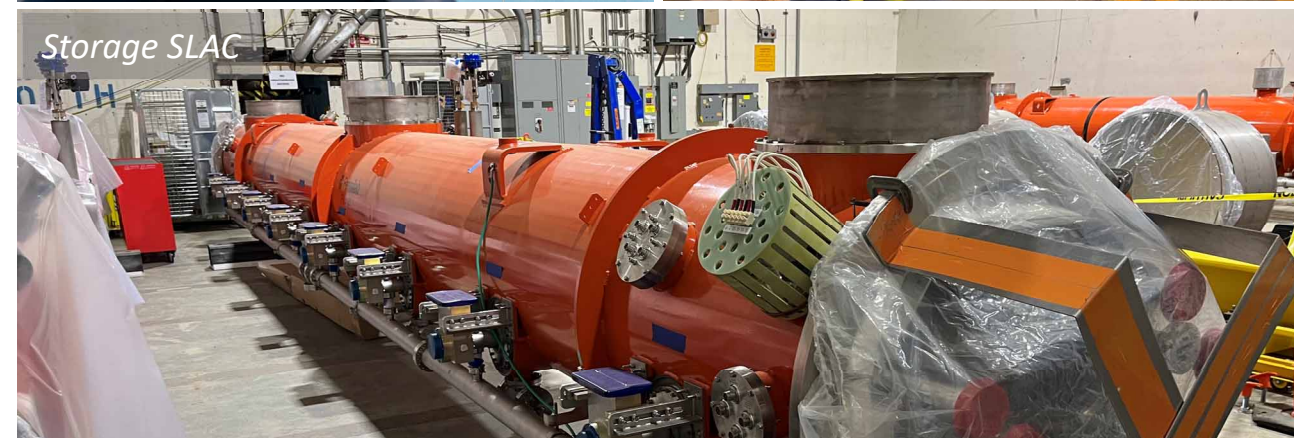
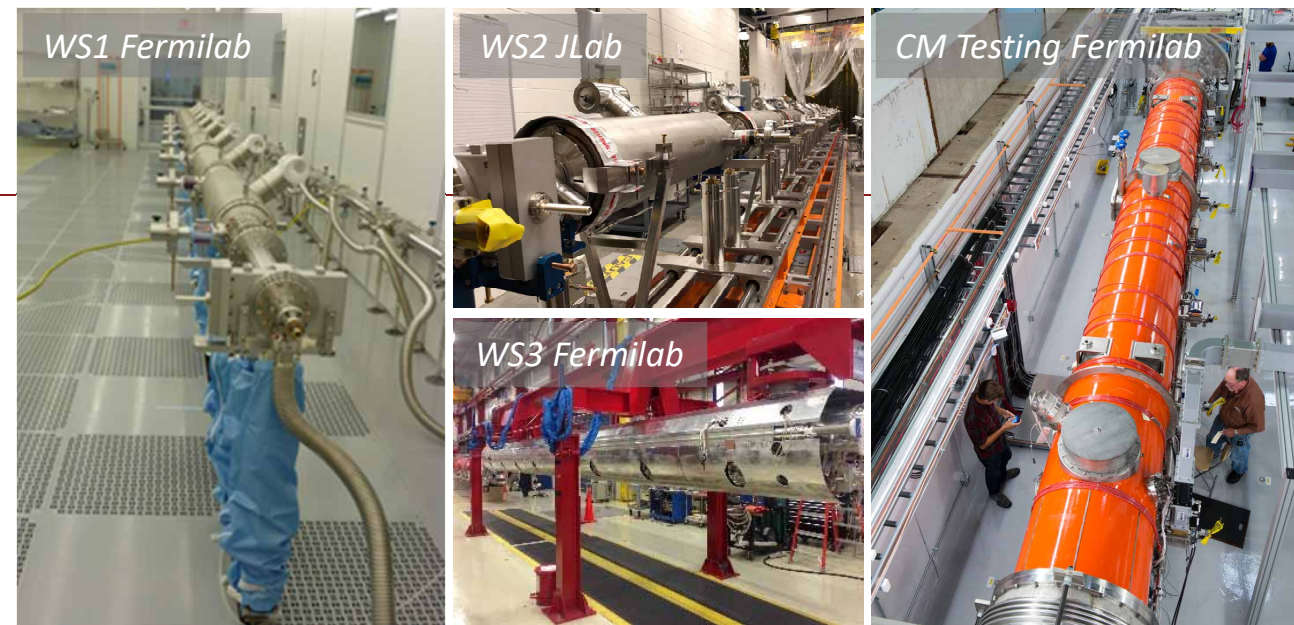
- Leveraging same assembly lines, test facilities, and personnel from LCLS-II assembly
- 13 CMs + vCM assembled at Fermilab
- 10 CMs assembled at Jefferson Lab

Standardized assembly procedures and tooling at the two labs

- String kept under vacuum throughout production
- Same nitrogen venting/purging system and procedure for cavity string assembly

Storage on-site at SLAC

- 4 dedicated buildings





# Cryomodule test acceptance criteria

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## Usable gradient per cavity: $\geq 20.8$ MV/m

- The maximum gradient at which the following 3 conditions are met:
  - Radiation level below 50 mRad/hr,
  - Cavity runs stably for one hour (no MP quenches, no trips)
  - 0.5 MV/m below the quench field

## Usable CW voltage: $\geq 173$ MV

- The total CW voltage of 8 cavities running at their usable gradient in GDR/SELAP mode
  - Captured dark current:  $\leq 30$  nA
  - Magnets at nominal operation current
  - CM runs stably for one hour (no MP quenches, no trips)

**Stability test:** Each CM shall operate in GDR/SELAP mode at usable voltage with magnet on for at least 10 h or until the coupler is in thermal equilibrium with 90% operating time, whichever is less

**Dynamic heat load at 2 K:  $\leq 137$  W at usable voltage (equivalent to average  $Q_0 \geq 2.7 \times 10^{10}$ )**

Static heat load at 2 K:  $\leq 7$  W

Cavity microphonics:  $< 10$  Hz peak-to-peak

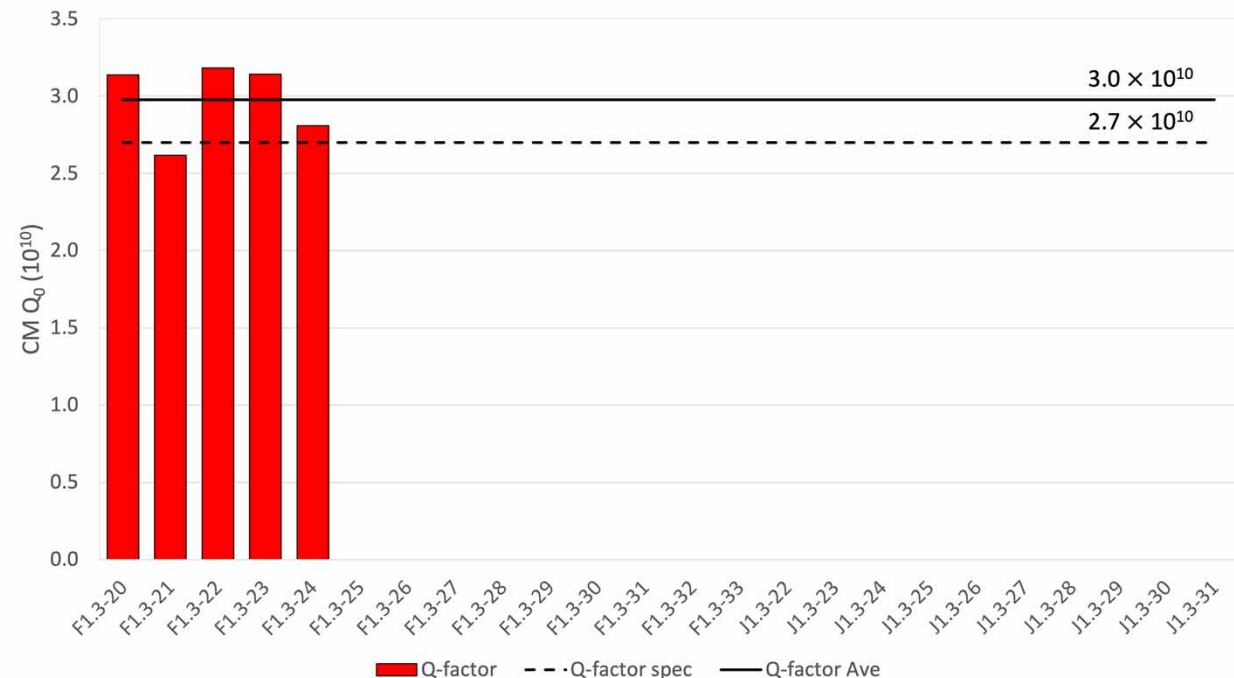
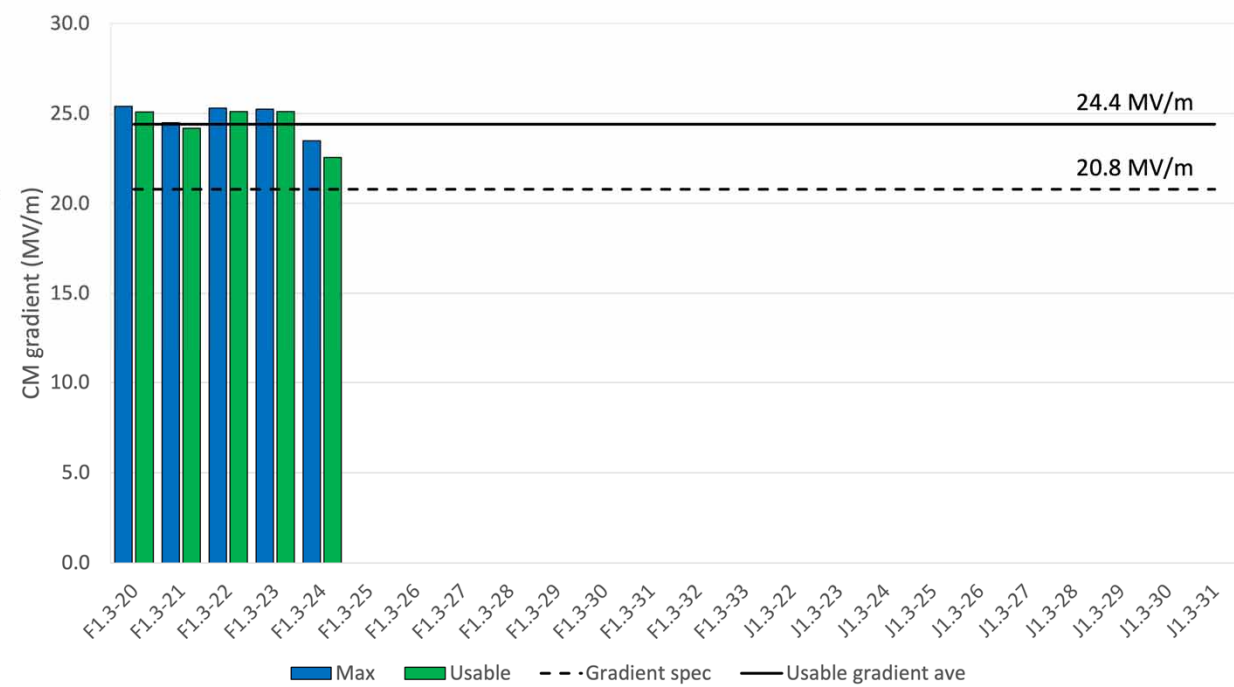
- With JT valve regulating liquid level



# CM test results

## 5 cryomodules assembled and fully tested

- Average usable gradient is 24.4 MV/m (202.6 MV)
- Average  $Q_0$  is  $3.0 \times 10^{10}$  @ 173 MV
- All CMs exceed gradient specification
- F1.3-21 does not meet  $Q_0$  specification
  - Assembled using 6 remediated LCLS-II cavities
- F1.3-24 string had a leaky bellow between cavity 5 and 6
  - Bellow was replaced in cleanroom, but process introduced particles
  - Gradient reach limited by FE in cavity 5 and 6
- J1.3-22 had a preliminary test
  - Test interrupted because of cryoplant maintenance
  - All cavities exceeded gradient spec
  - No FE observed
  - Beamline leak developed during thermal cycling

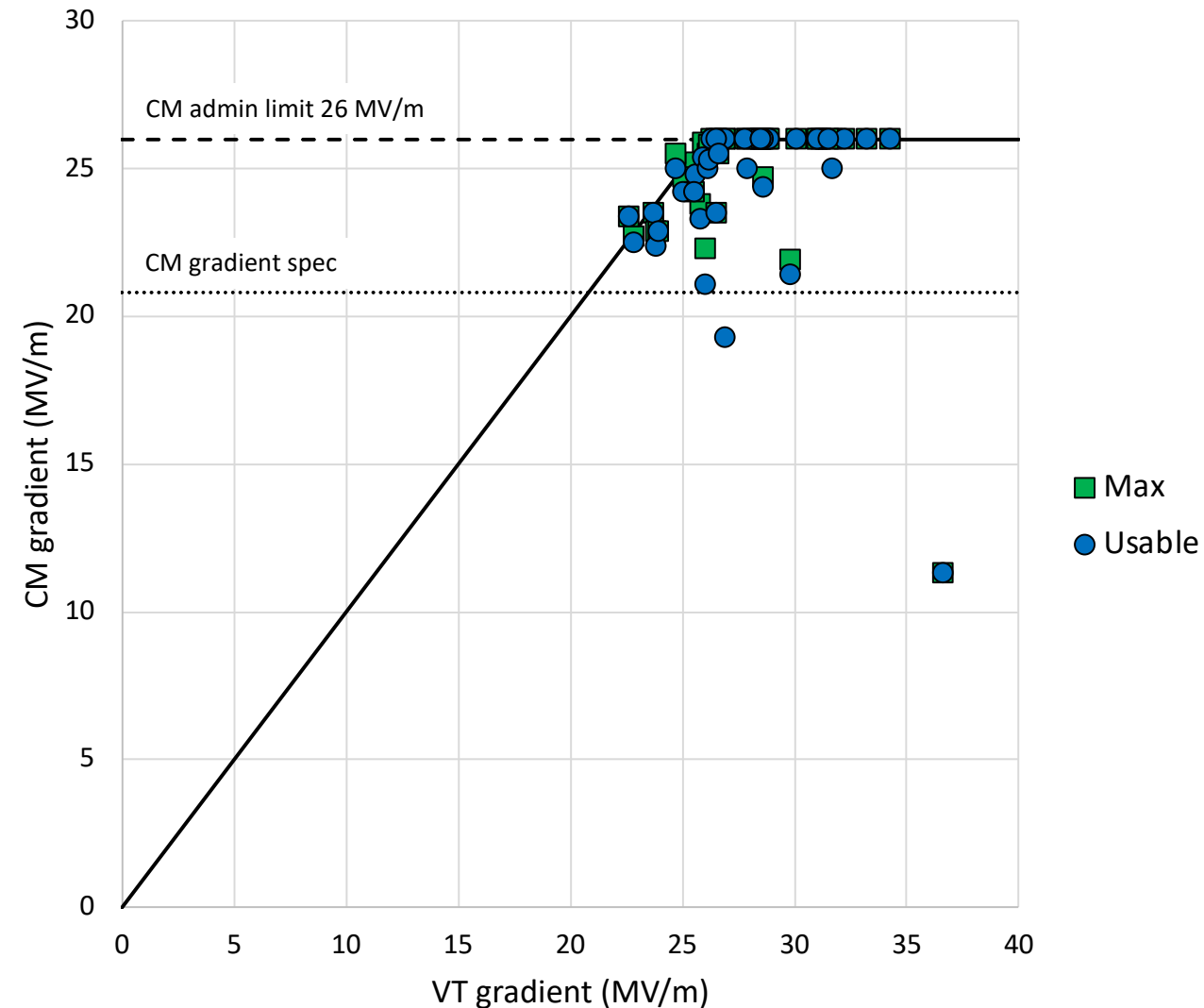




# CM test vs VT: gradient

## Minimal gradient degradation

- Many cavities are limited by the administrative limit (26 MV/m)
- Usable gradient and max gradient very close to each other in most of cases
- Just two cavities do not meet gradient specification
  - Cavities 5 and 6 in F1.3-24
  - Limited by FE
  - Issue during string assembly – leaky bellow between cavities had to be replaced

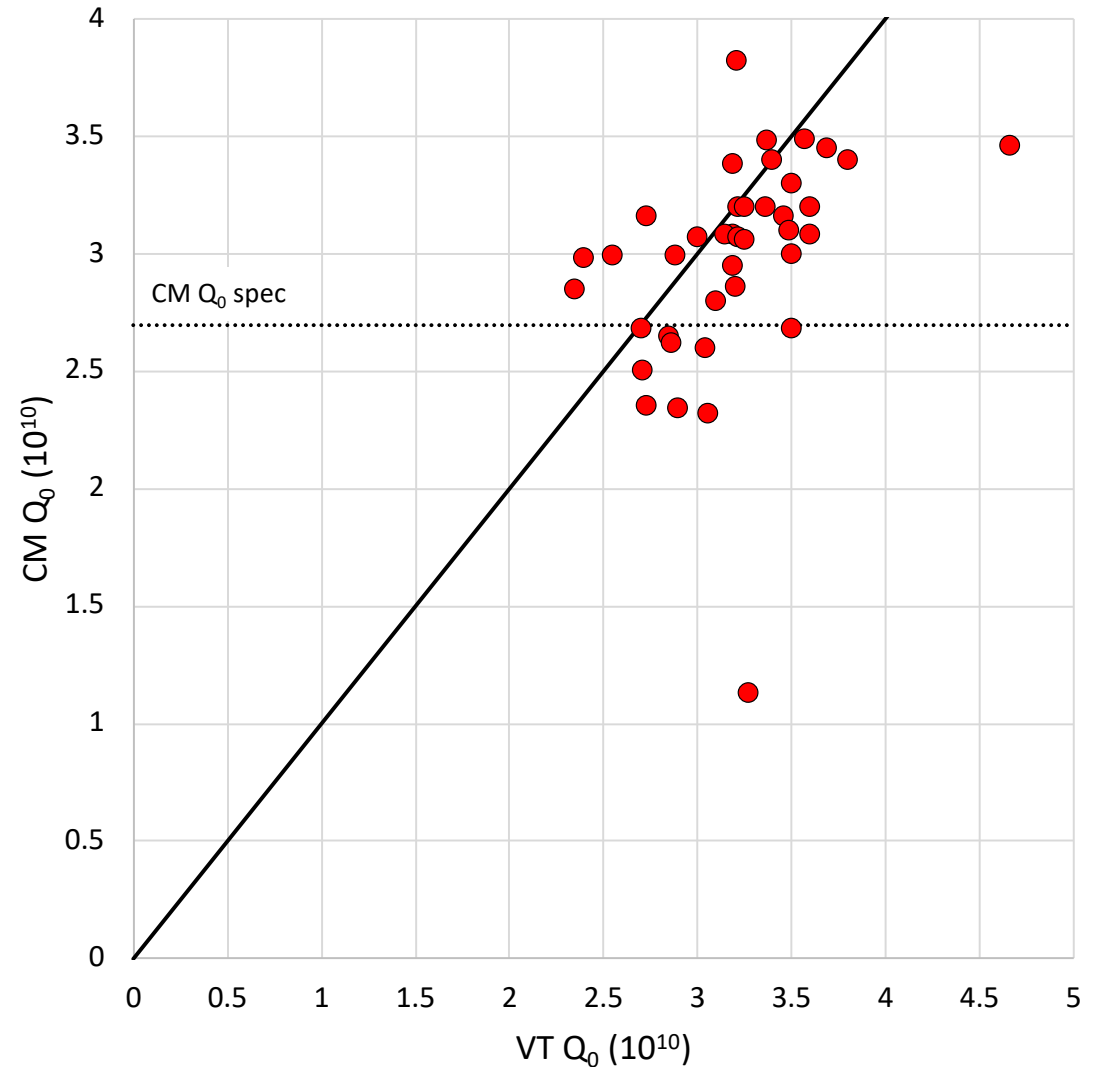




# CM test vs VT: Q-factor

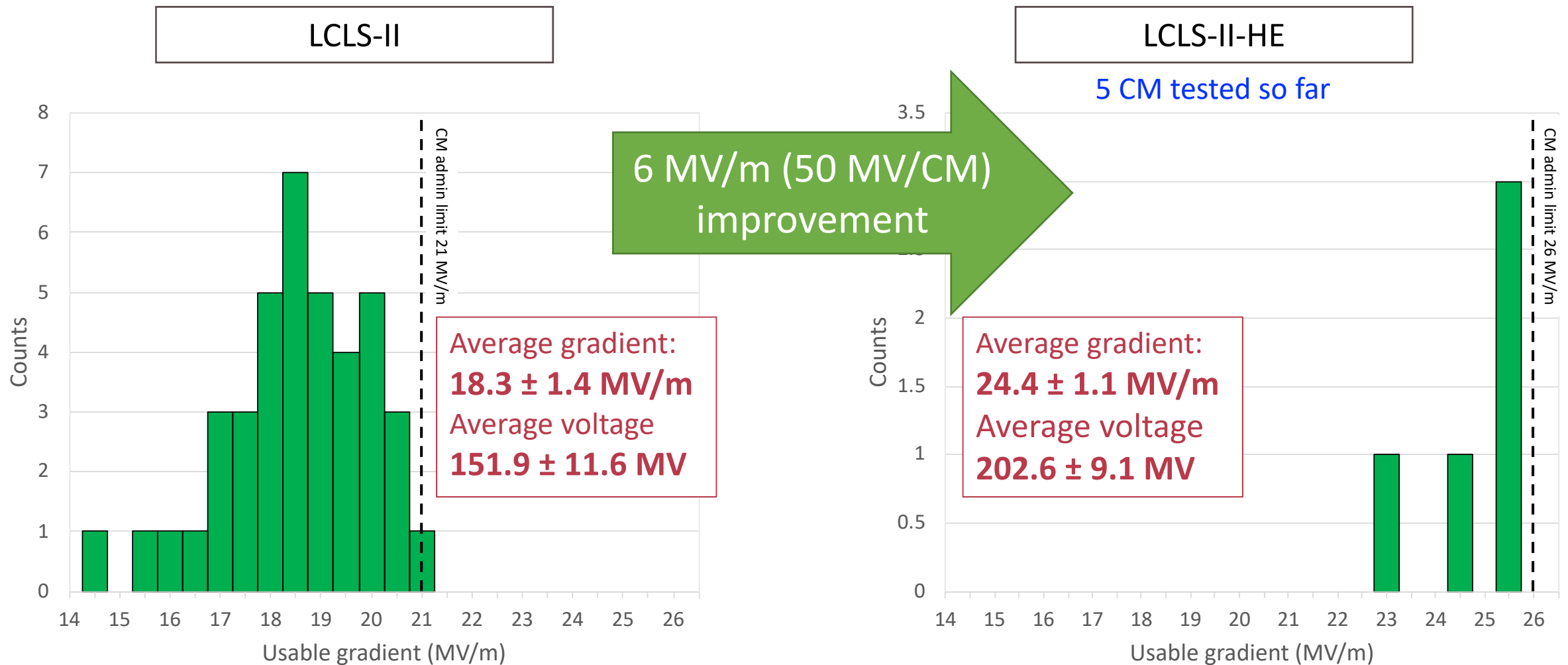
## Some Q-factor degradation

- $Q_0$  degraded with respect to vertical test
  - Average degradation not due to FE:  $4 \text{ n}\Omega$
  - Likely related to trapped flux
    - Even after demag, the magnetic field environment in the CM is not ideal
    - Thermal currents always present in CMs due to components thermalized at different temperatures
- 10 cavities do not meet  $Q_0$  specification
  - 2 are just below the  $Q_0$  spec
  - 6 are remediated LCLS-II cavities assembled in F1.3-21 string
  - Largest Q-factor degradation due to FE
    - Cav 6 in F1.3-24



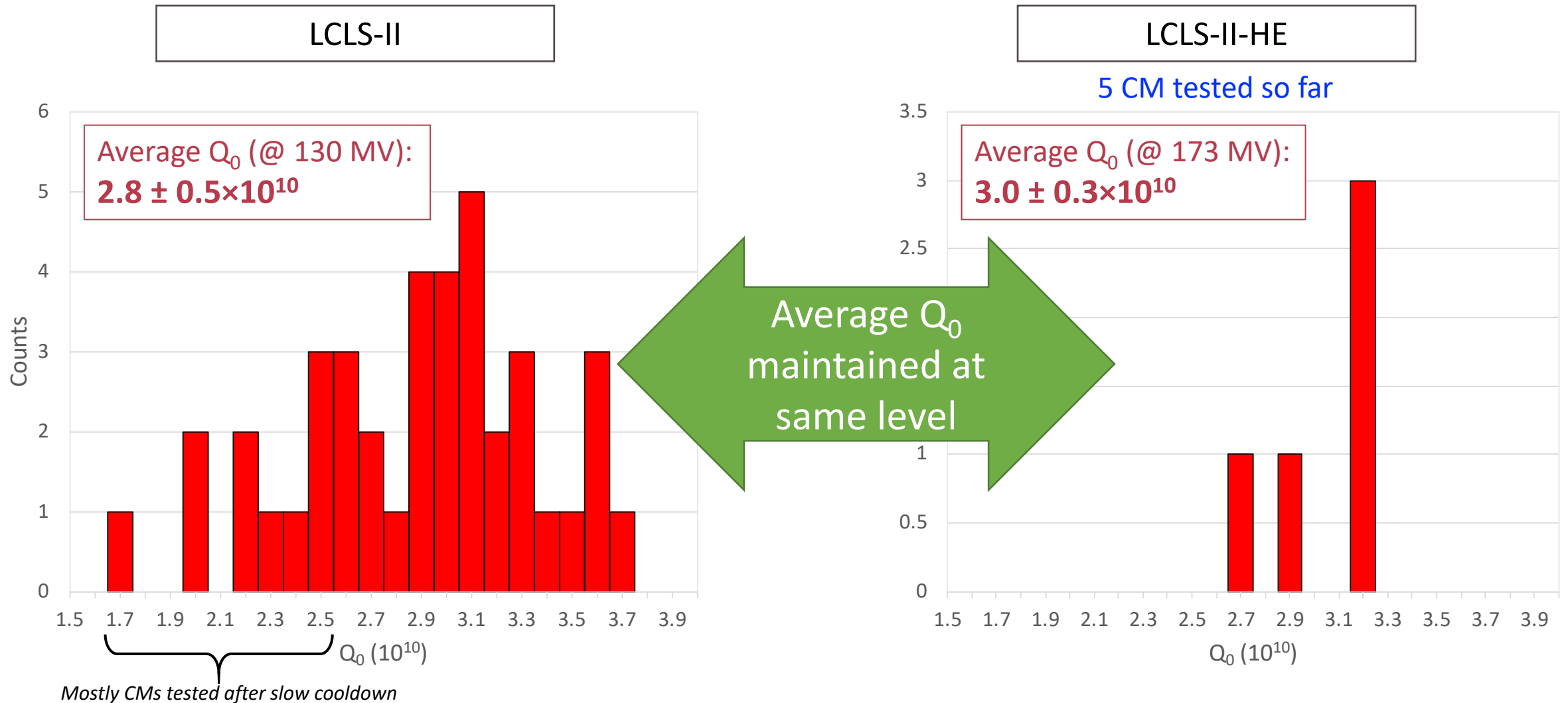


# HE vs LCLS-II CM test: usable gradient





# HE vs LCLS-II CM test: Q-factor





# HE vs LCLS-II CM test: field emission

## LCLS-II-HE

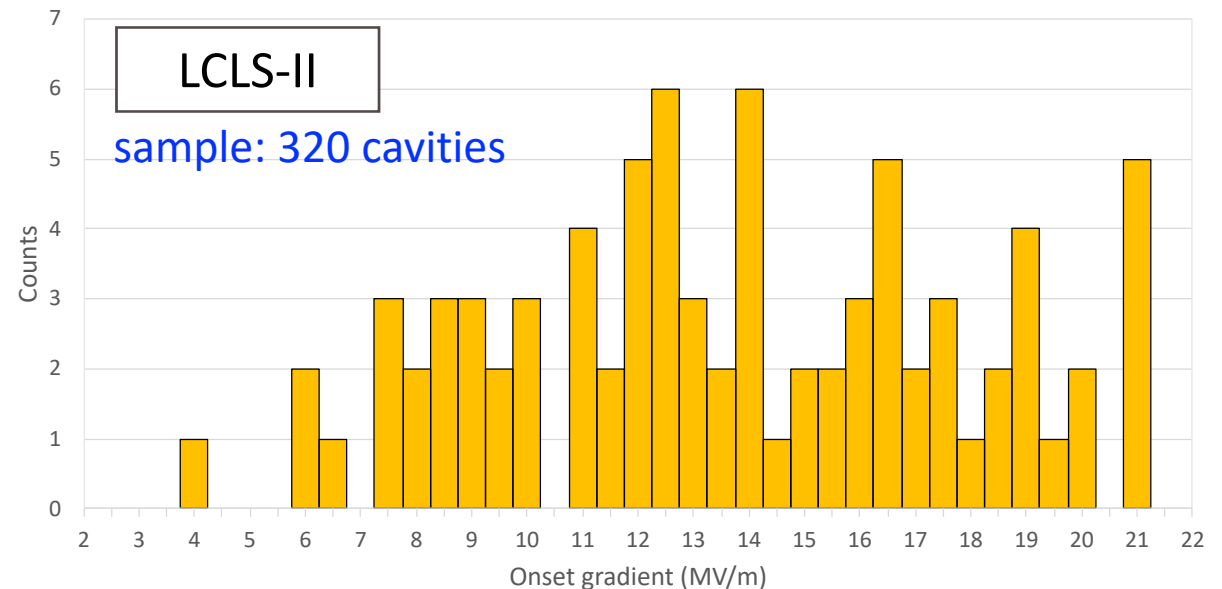
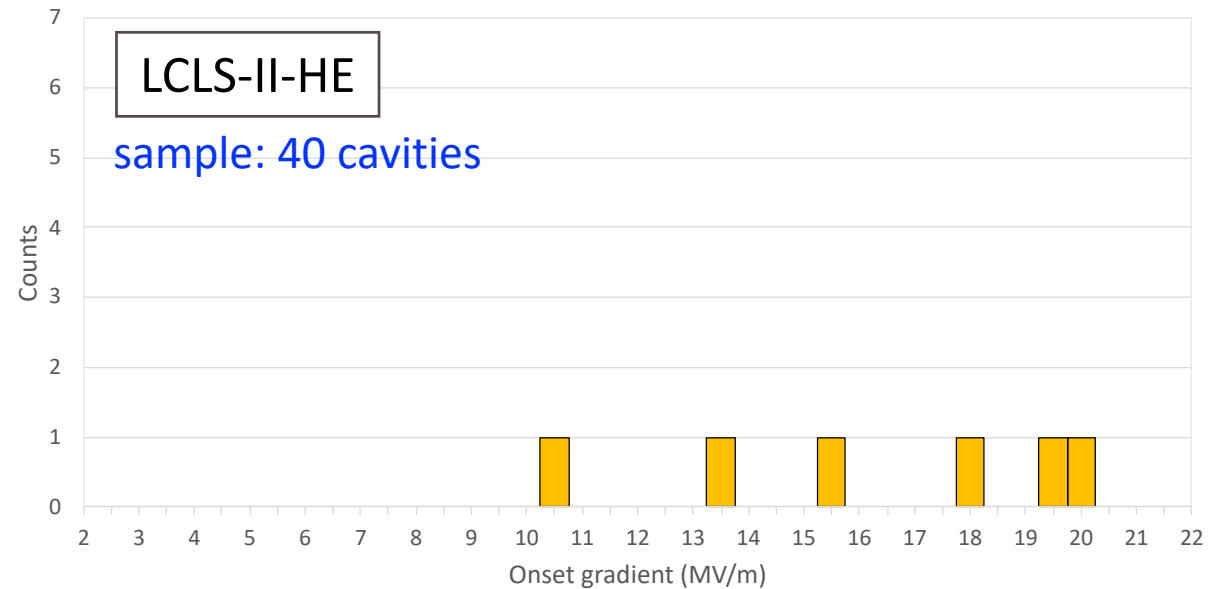
- 15.0% of cavities with FE during CM test (6 cavities out of 40)
- Average onset:  $16.03 \pm 3.8$  MV/m
- Admin limit 26 MV/m

## LCLS-II

- 25.3% of cavities with FE during test CM (81 cavities out of 320)
- Average onset:  $13.4 \pm 4.3$  MV/m
- Admin limit 21 MV/m

## FE-free qualification criteria outcome

- 10.3% less FE cavities in CM testing than LCLS-II





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## Summary



# Lessons learned

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## No-FE qualification criteria in VT is good practice to get FE-free CMs

- Less FE observed in CM testing compared to LCLS-II even if admin limit is higher (26 MV/m vs 21 MV/m)

## He vessel leak check after vertical test qualification

- In two occasions leaks discovered at He vessel welds after string completion
  - Likely due to thermal cycling during VT
- In-situ repair is possible

## Cavity disconnection from string can be problematic and source of particles

- F1.3-24 is a good example. Leaking bellow between cavities lead to string disassembly between cavity 5 and 6
  - Strong FE in CM testing on both cavities
- Preferred path is to completely rebuild the string from scratch with newly qualified cavities

## Helium vessel bellow is a weak spot in the design

- Damage on bellows was recorded in several instances
  - Damage during shipping, at the partner labs, and on as received bellows at cavity vendor
- Bellows protection does not always guarantee protection during handling



# Conclusions

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## Cavities qualification is proceeding without obstacles

- In average, cavities outperform VT qualification criteria
  - New surface processing is delivering the expected results
  - Material segregation by heat lot good practice to maintain high-Q in CM testing

## CM assembly and test are underway

- In average, the CMs tested so far outperform LCLS-II-HE specifications
  - Average voltage: 202.6 MV
  - Average  $Q_0$ :  $3.0 \times 10^{10}$  @ 173 MV
- 15% of cavities are field-emitting in CM testing
  - FE-free qualification criteria in VT is delivering the expected results



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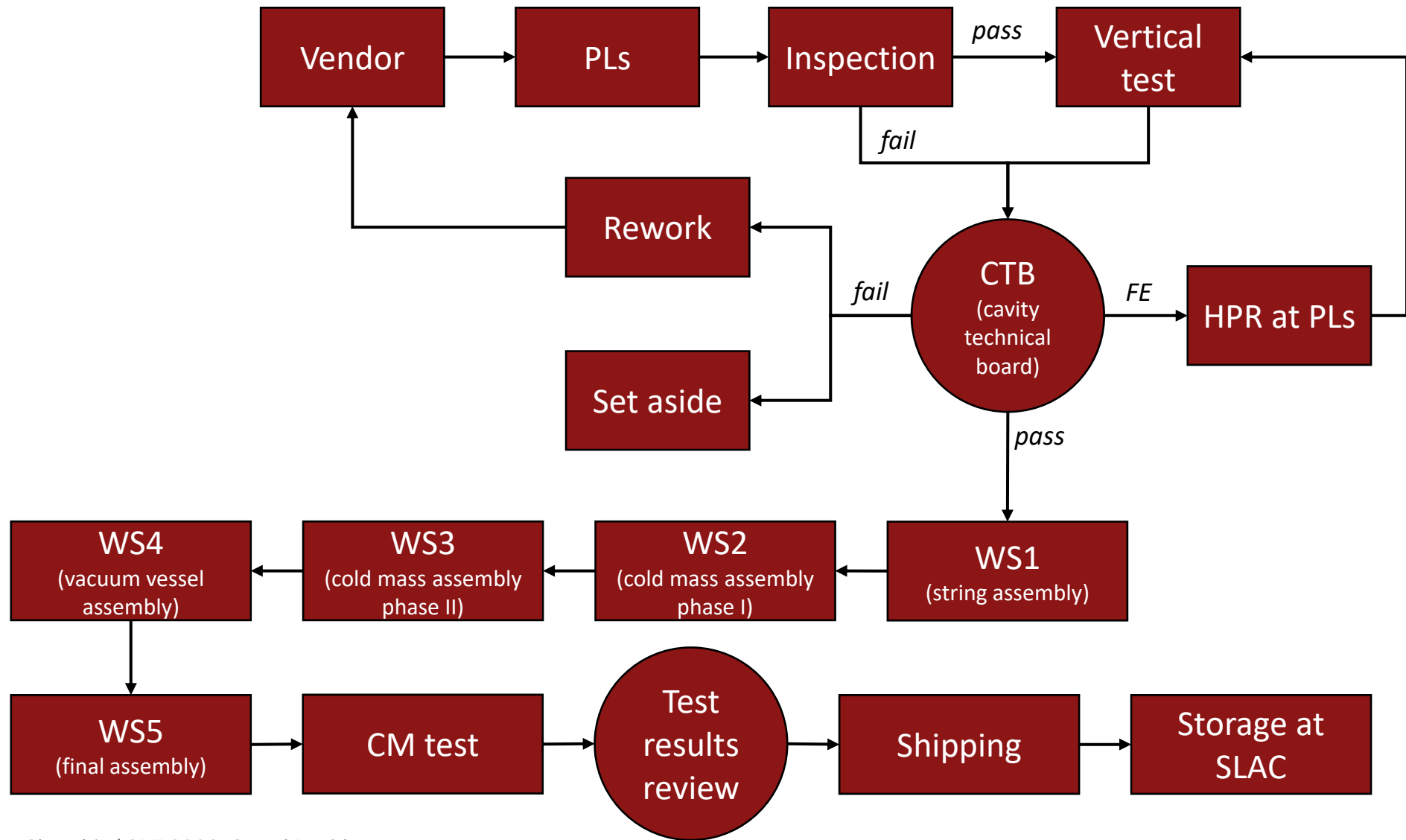
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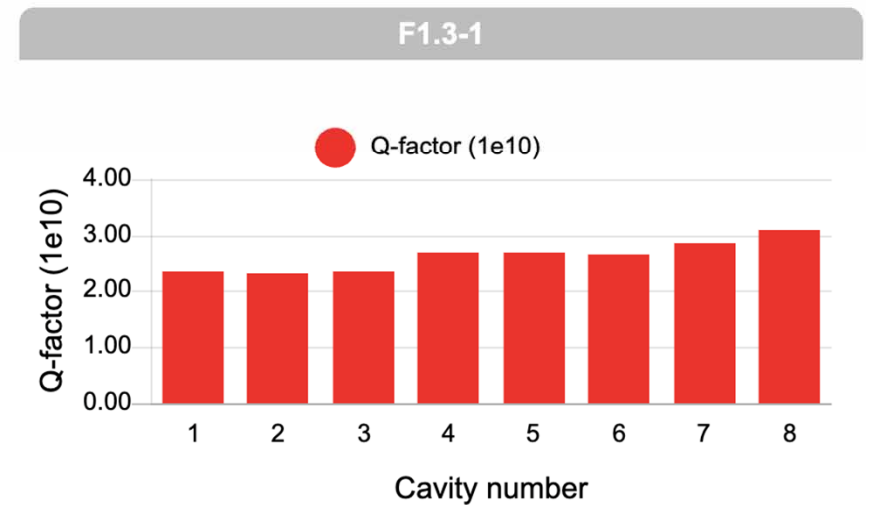
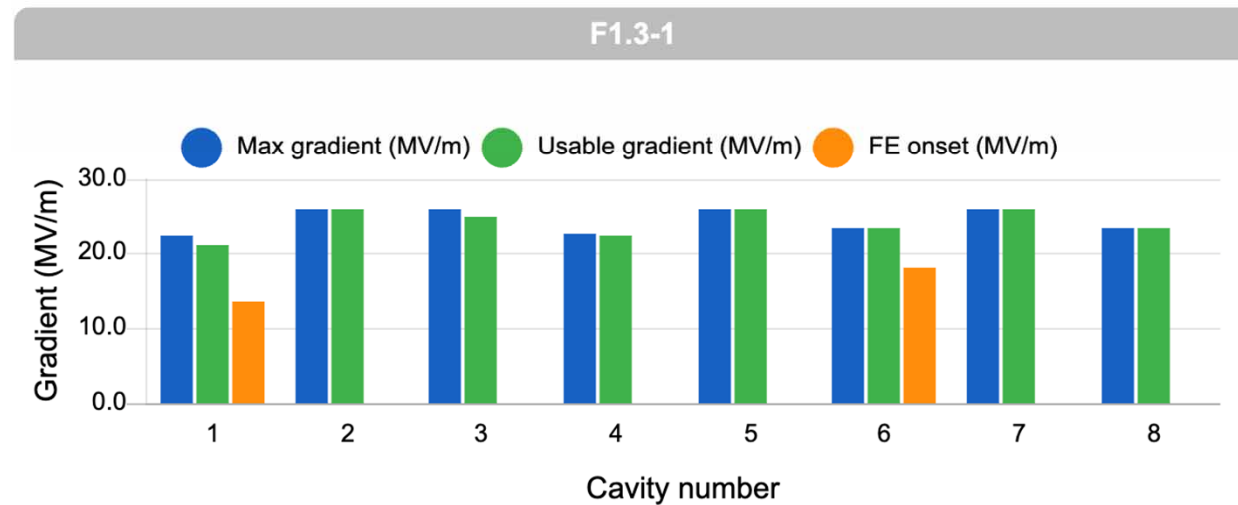
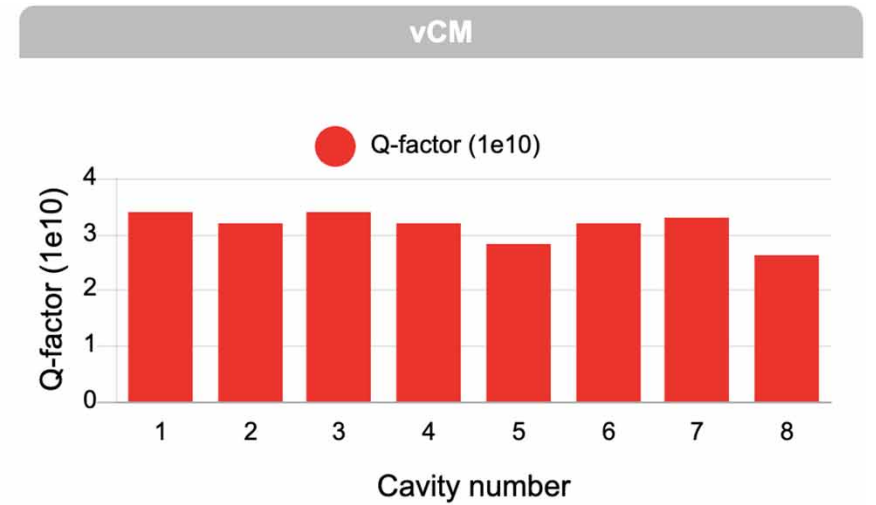
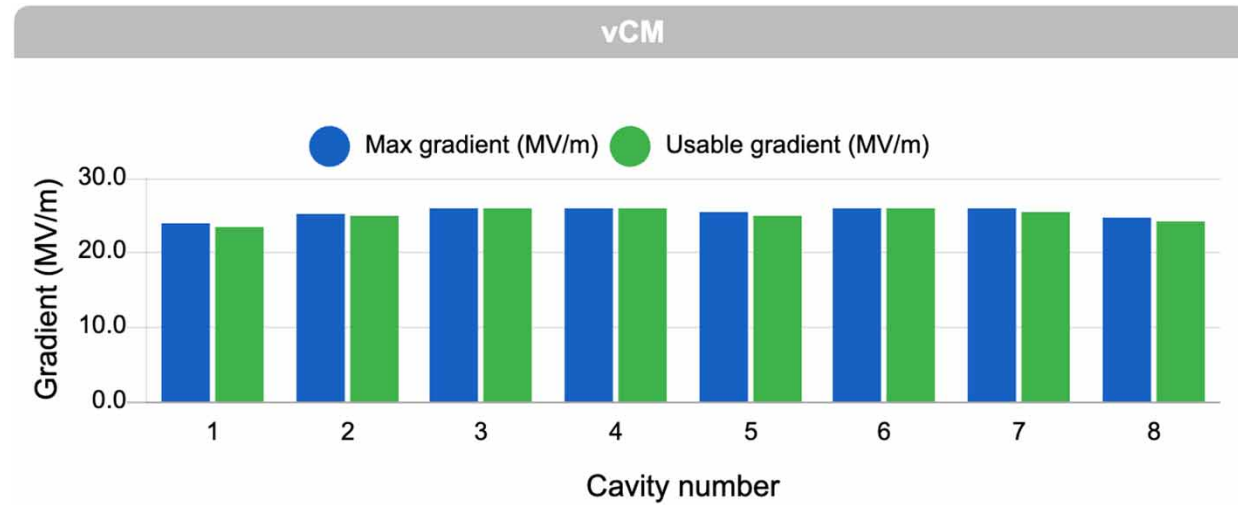


# Cavity qualification and cryomodule assembly and test flowchart





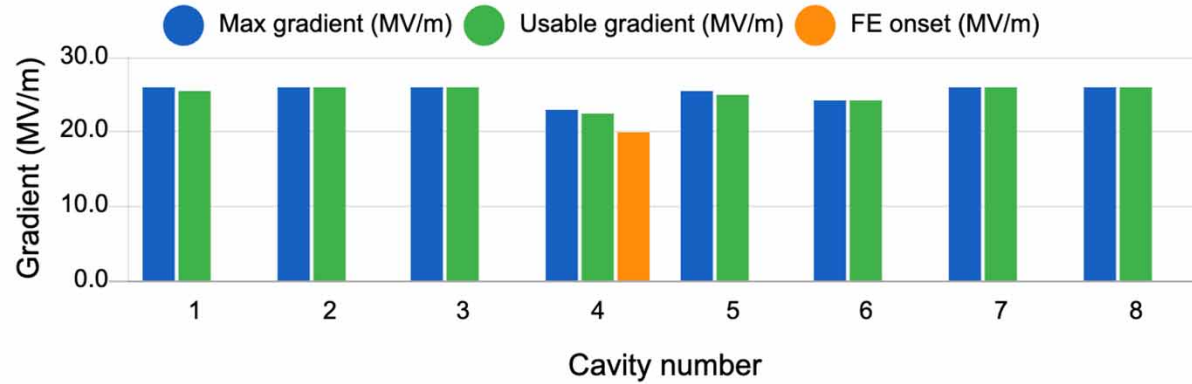
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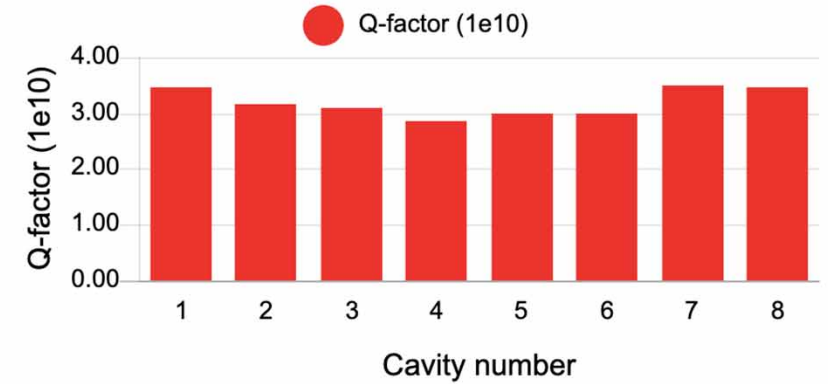


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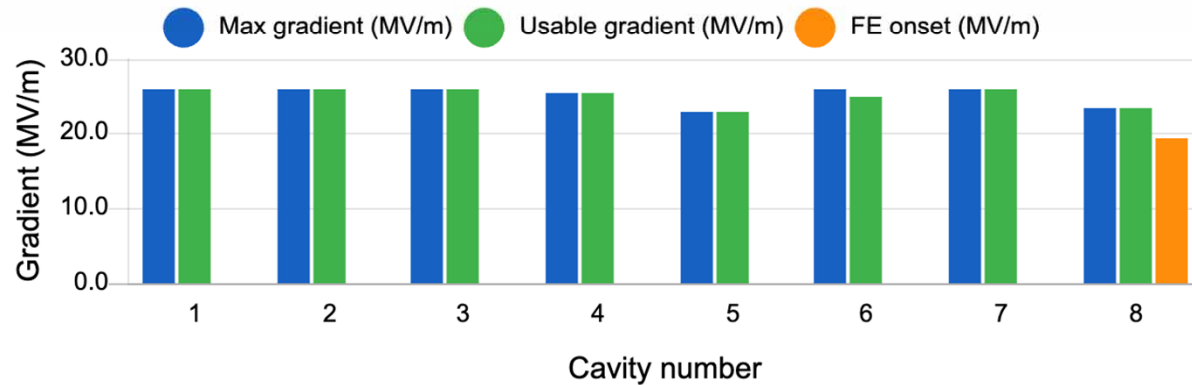
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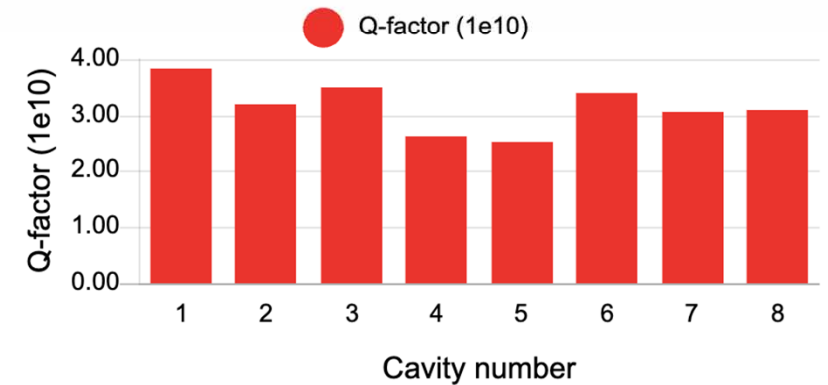
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