# MICRON

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### 1 Experiment overview

This research will be conducted in the context of the European <sup>1)</sup> and U.S. (and international partners) Snowmass <sup>2)</sup> Strategy for Particle Physics devoted to the "Advanced Accelerators Concepts and Technologies" for the next generation of cost effective, Dielectric (operating at optical wavelengths (1-5  $\mu$ m) and Metallic (from Ka-band (36 GHz) to W-band (100-200 GHz)) High-frequency, High-gradients (>100 MV/m, beyond state of the art) Accelerating structures for research, industrial and medical applications.

For the Metallic structures, we proposed these objectives: • Design of metallic Ka-band and W-band accelerating structures at acceleration gradient >100 MV/m. "OPEN" (jointless) and "Four quadrants" RF cavity structures study. • Prototype manufacturing (R&D on material and welding techniques) • RF cold test at the RF Lab Latino <sup>3)</sup>, at INFN-LNF.

We performed the RF and beam dynamics (together with the INFN-Roma1 group) of the full structure made of 10 cells. The RF power is fed through a 4-port mode launcher  $^{(4)}$ , which was also optimized at 36 GHz. In tab.1 are reported the main RF parameters of the 10-cell Kaband accelerating structure. In fig.1, it is shown the CAD model from CST Microwave studio  $^{(5)}$  overlapped with the electric field distibution along the axis of the structure. The input power is roughly 6 MW in order to achieve an ccelerating gradient of 150 MV/m. In the figure, the color-plot E-filed distribution is also shown insied the whole structure and the mode launcher.

In fig.2, it is shown the reflection coefficient,  $S_{11}$ , at the input ractangular port of the waveguide of the mode launcher. The coupling with the operating mode is optimized to be about -27 dB.

The multicell structure and the mode-launcher device were machined and assembled in December 2023. In 2024, we acquired all RF components (e.g. coax-to-waveguide transition in Ka-band) and high-frequency RF cables needed for the RF tests with low RF power at the RF Latino Lab in Frascati. The RF characterization of the whole structure is in-progress.

After receing some budget integration from CSN5, in 2024 we started the procurement for the production of samples made of different materials, i.e. copper-silver with low Ag concentration (0.4%-0.8%) that will be tested at KEK National Lab in Japan, within our international collaboration on high-gradient structures.

### 2 List of Conference Talks by LNF Authors

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Table 1: Main RF parameters of the multi-ceel Ka-band accelerating structure.

Parameter	Value
Radiofrquency, $f$ [GHz]	35.982
Quality Factor, $Q$	5900
Shunt impedance, $R_{sh}$ [M $\Omega$ /m]	130
Max Magnetic field, $H_{max}$ [MA/m]	0.6
Max Electric field, $E_{max}$ [MV/m]	400
Input RF power, $P_{input}$ [MW]	6
iris aperture radius, $a  [mm]$	2
$a/\lambda$	0.24
wall thickness, $t[mm]$	0.635
iris ellipticity	1.38
Accelerating Gradient, $E_{acc}$ [MV/m]	150



Figure 1: CAD model from CST and electric field distribution inside the mode launcher and the RF structure.

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Figure 2: Reflection coefficient,  $S_{11}$ , at the input ractangular port of the waveguide of the mode launcher.

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