

# The Anticyclotron Project

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# Outline

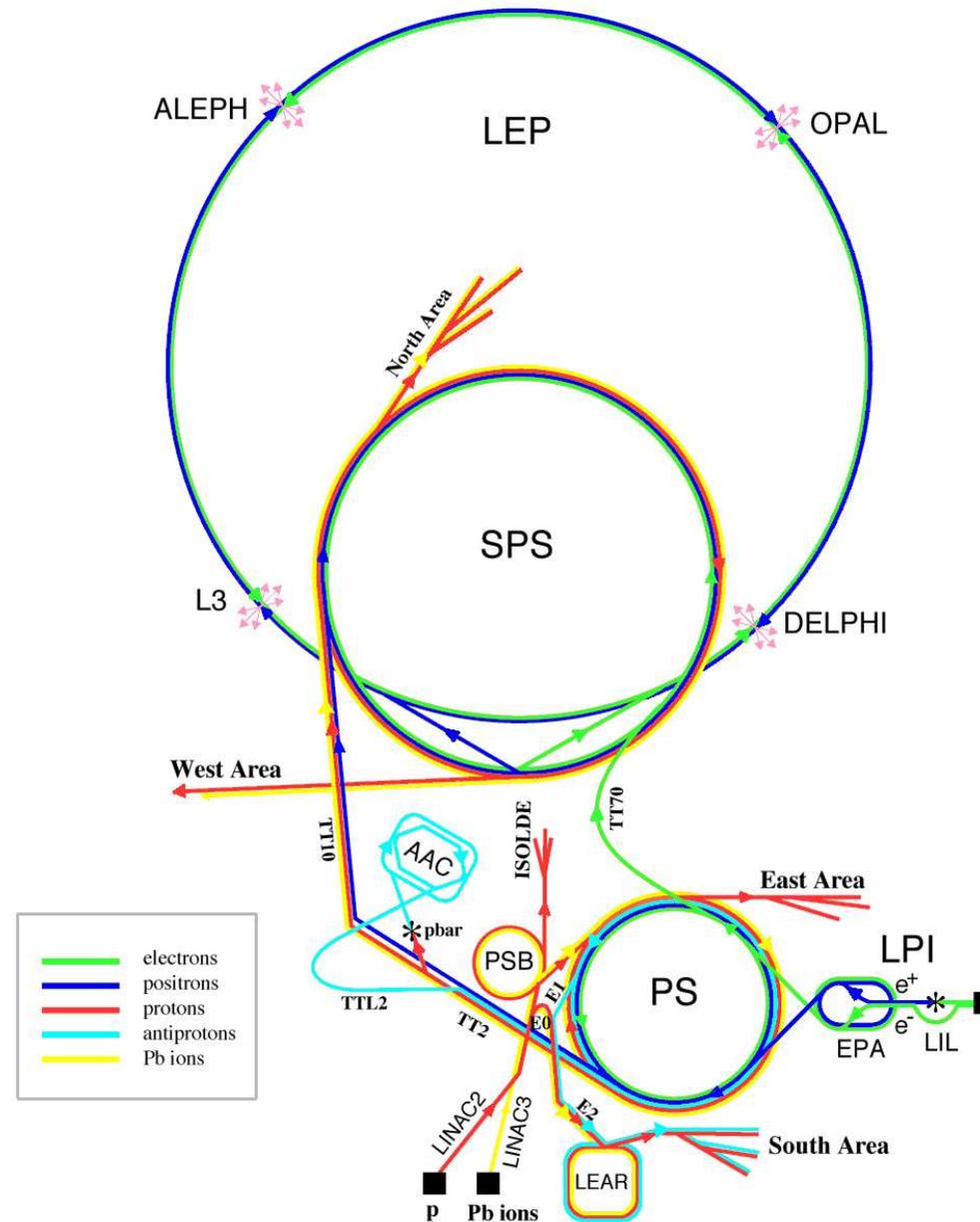
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**Who** should have given this talk?

Leo Simons (PSI), Franz Kottmann (ETH),  
John Eades (CERN)

# Historical Introduction: LEAR

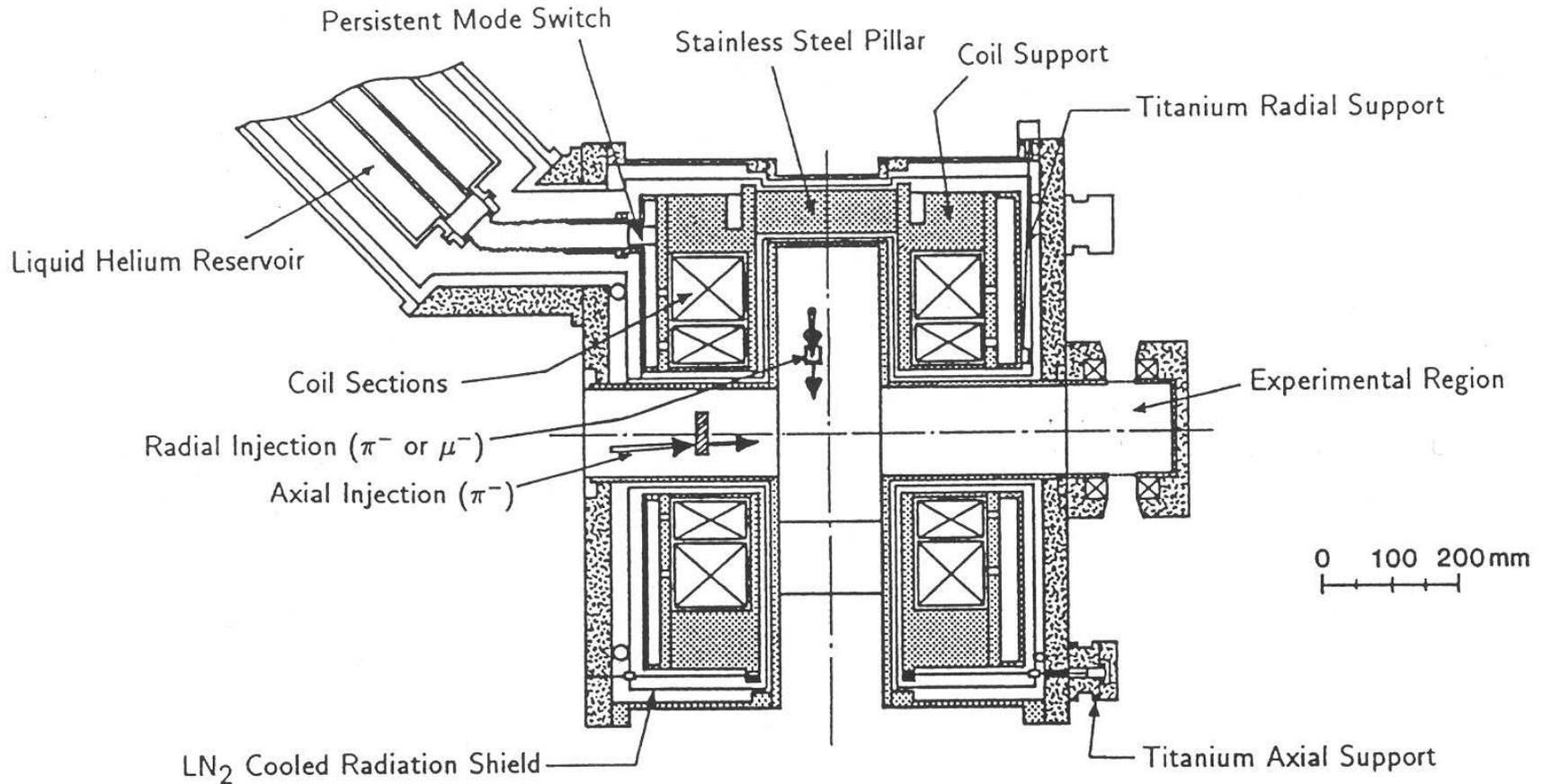
- ULEAP Workshops at CERN  
(John Eades): 1989-90
- Proposals for ultra low energy  $\bar{p}$  beam:
  - 1981: PS189 proposal with ELENA
  - 1985: PS189 with RFQD
  - 1989-91: Anticyclotron (AC) tests (gravity measurement)
- Both RFQD and AC gave up by 1991 (no LEAR beam below 100 MeV/c)



# Historical Introduction: present

- Proposals for ultra low energy  $\bar{p}$  beam at AD
  - ASACUSA's RFQD: it works!
  - ELENA proposed (again?)
- The AC at PSI
  - 1991-94: AC tested for muons
  - 2000: Slow muon beam with new CT-AC
- Maybe AC revives for  $\bar{p}$ ?

# Cyclotron Trap

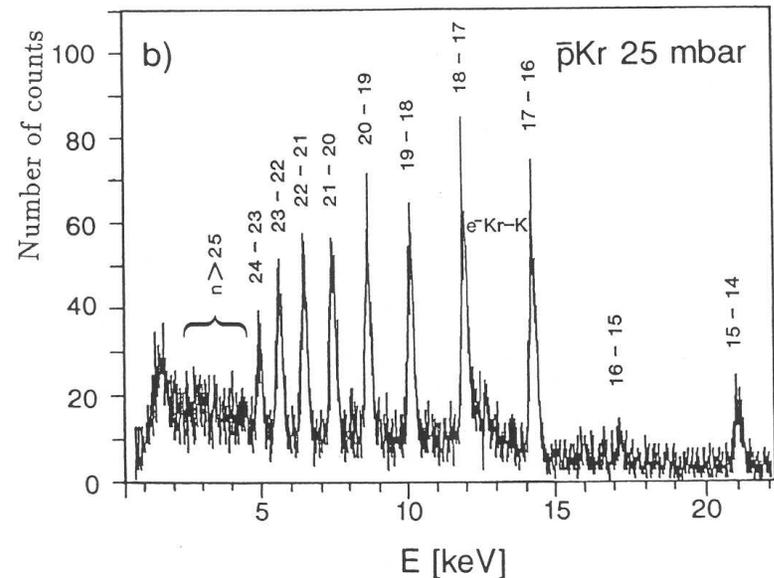
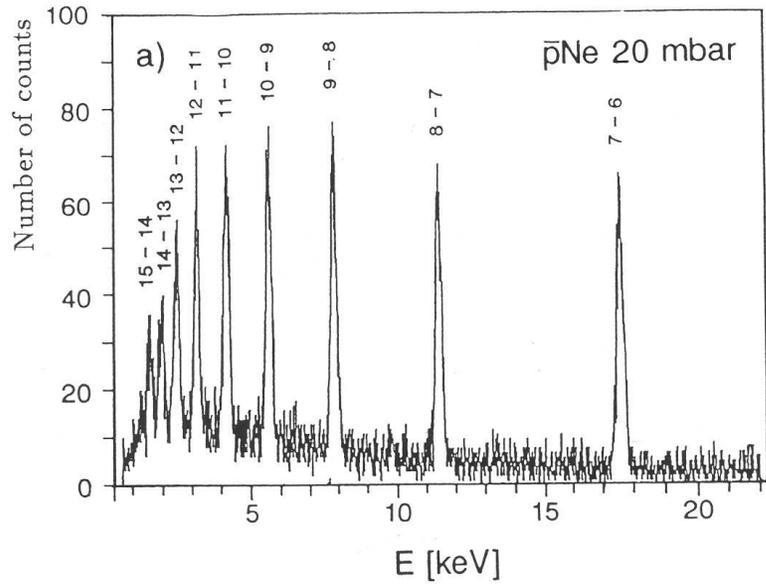


Low pressure (mbar) gas target in SC inverse cyclotron

Inject charged particles at max radius through foil

Cyclotron motion, slowing down in gas

Field shape: stop in middle, detector in bore hole



# PS-175 at LEAR

Missing X-ray transitions



Auger transitions of remaining electrons

Naked exotic atoms

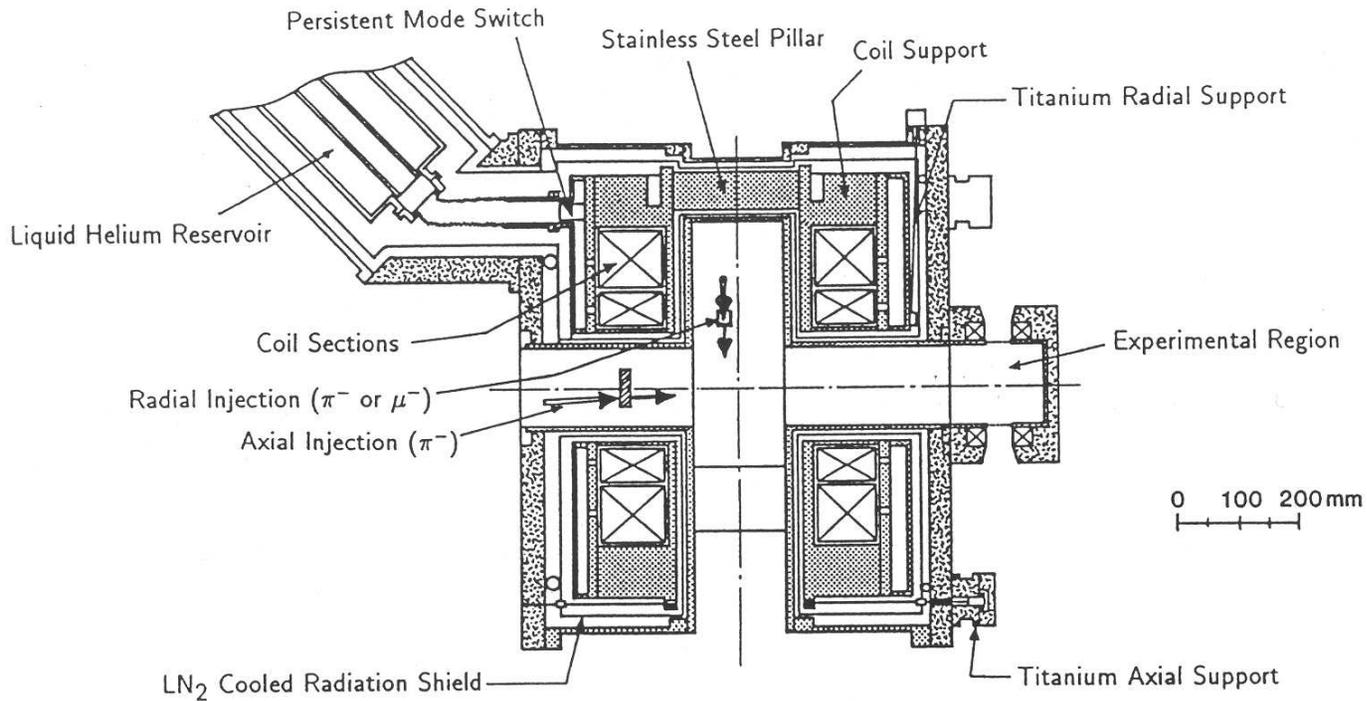
L. M. Simons:

Physica Scripta **T22** (1988) 90.

K. Heitlinger et al.:

Z. Phys. A **342** (1992) 359.

# Anticyclotron at LEAR



Inject  $61 \text{ MeV}/c \bar{p}$  at high radius off median plane  
Cyclotron & betatron motion, slowing down in gas  
Slow  $\bar{p}$  at axis, electrostatic extractor in bore hole  
extraction into Penning trap

L. M. Simons, *Physica Scripta* T22, 90 (1988).

J. Eades, L. M. Simons: *Nucl. Instr. Meth.* A278 (1989) 368.

# Anticyclotron test at LEAR

Anticyclotron test at LEAR: P118T, 1990-91

Pisa, Genova, PSI, CERN, Budapest

We **could not** extract the antiprotons

Mapped  $\bar{p}$  trajectories with radially moving scintillator

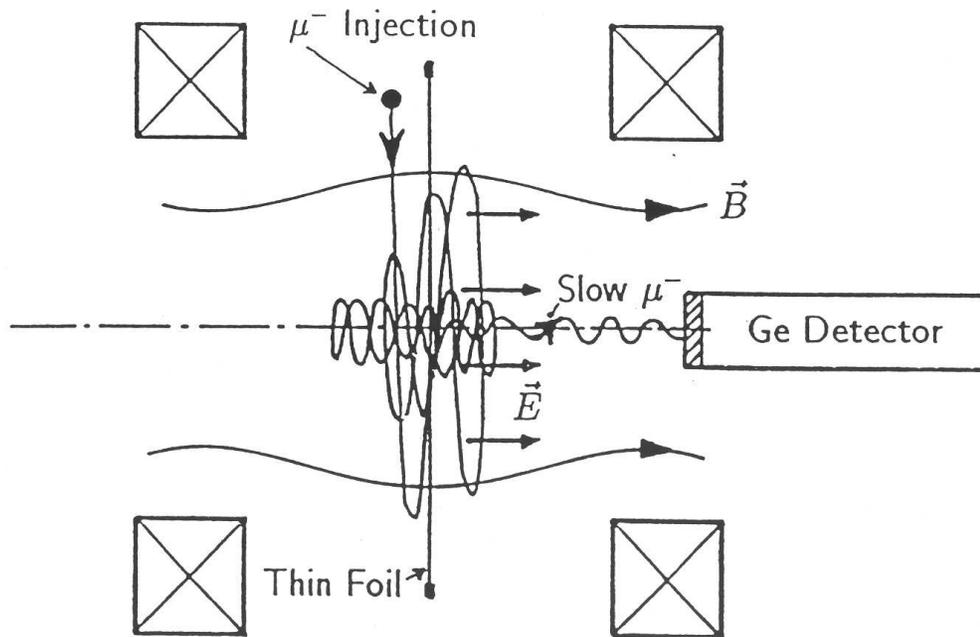
Simulations (GEANT3): **large emittance** at injection

Later: stochastic cooling was **not set up**  
for  $p(\bar{p}) \sim 60 - 70 \text{ MeV}/c$

Success with **muon extraction** at PSI  
with **much worse** injected beam

D. Horváth et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. B 85 (1994) 736–740.

# Muon Anticyclotron at PSI



Muons:

continuous beam  
with large beam spot  
and emittance

Slowing down in



thin Formvar foil  
(in median plane)

Extraction possible with  
no vacuum separation

P. DeCecco et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 394 (1997) 287.

# Anticyclotron I for $\mu^-$ and $\bar{p}$

Property	$\mu^-$ at PSI (measured)	$\bar{p}$ at LEAR (expected)
Beam momentum	30 MeV/c	61 MeV/c
— energy	4 MeV	2 MeV
— emittance	300 mm mrad	30 mm mrad
— $\frac{\Delta p}{p}$	1%	0.1%
— focus on window	$22 \times 9 \text{ mm}^2$	$1 \times 1 \text{ mm}^2$
— contamination	$10^3 \text{ e}^-/\mu^- (\pi E1)$	none
— intensity (cont.)	$3 \times 10^6 \mu^-/s$	$3 \times 10^6 \bar{p}/s$
— — (bunched)	none	$3 \times 10^8 \bar{p}/100 \text{ ns}$

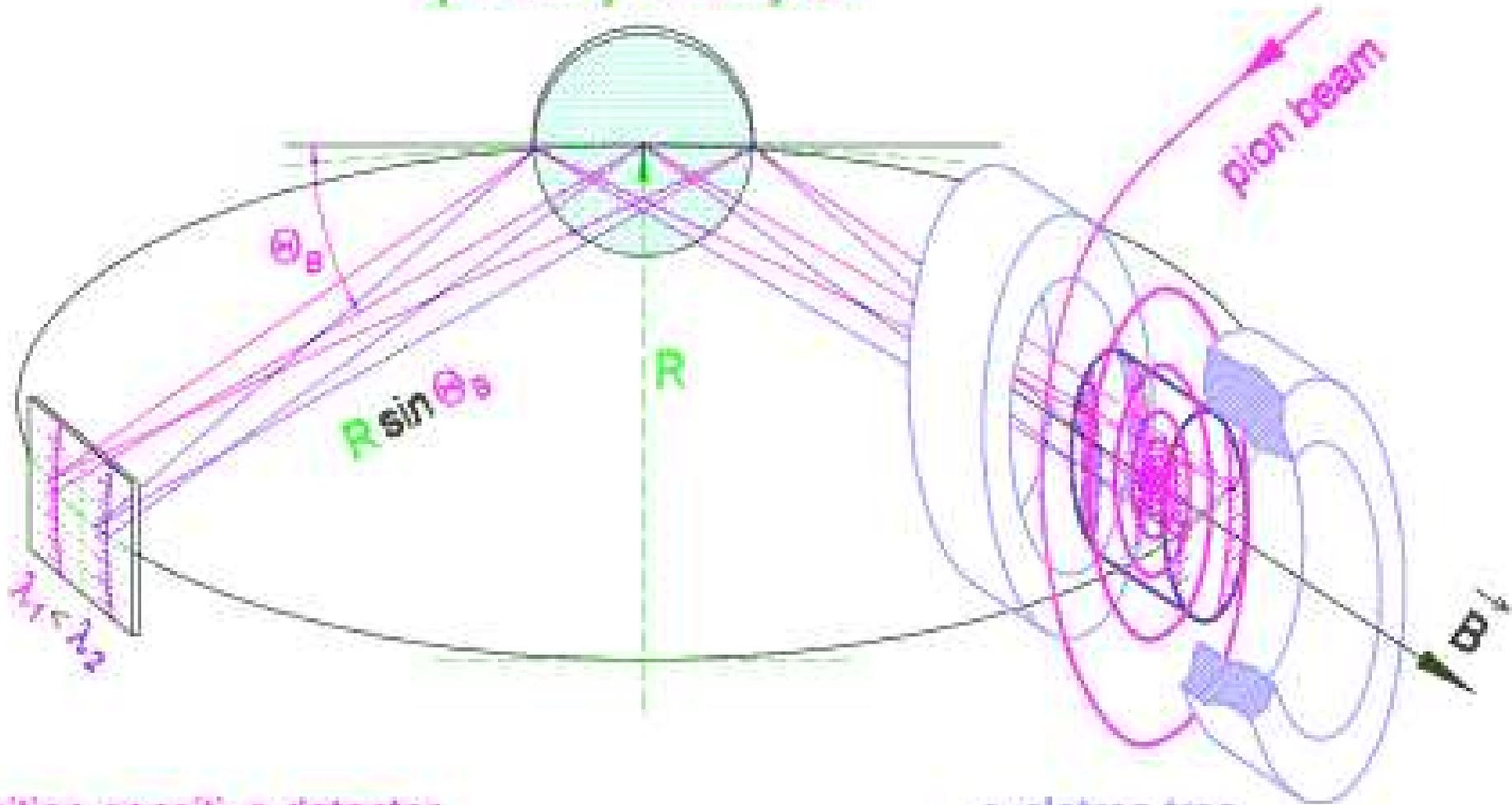
# Anticyclotron I for $\mu^-$ and $\bar{p}$

Property	$\mu^-$ at PSI (measured)	$\bar{p}$ at LEAR (expected)
Moderator medium	4 $\mu\text{m}$ Mylar foil	0.3 mbar $\text{H}_2$
Injection eff.	15%	100%
Stopping eff.	17% ( $\rightarrow$ 20%)	20 – 30%
Extraction eff.	2% ( $\rightarrow$ 5%)	75%
MeV $\rightarrow$ keV conv. eff.	0.05 % ( $\rightarrow$ 0.15%)	15 – 22%
Extracted energies	5 - 25 keV	7 - 10 keV
Extracted intensity	$2 \times 10^4 \mu^-/\text{s}$ ( $\pi\text{E5}$ )	$6 \times 10^6 \bar{p}/\text{shot}$

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# Pionic Hydrogen Expt at PSI

spherically bent crystal

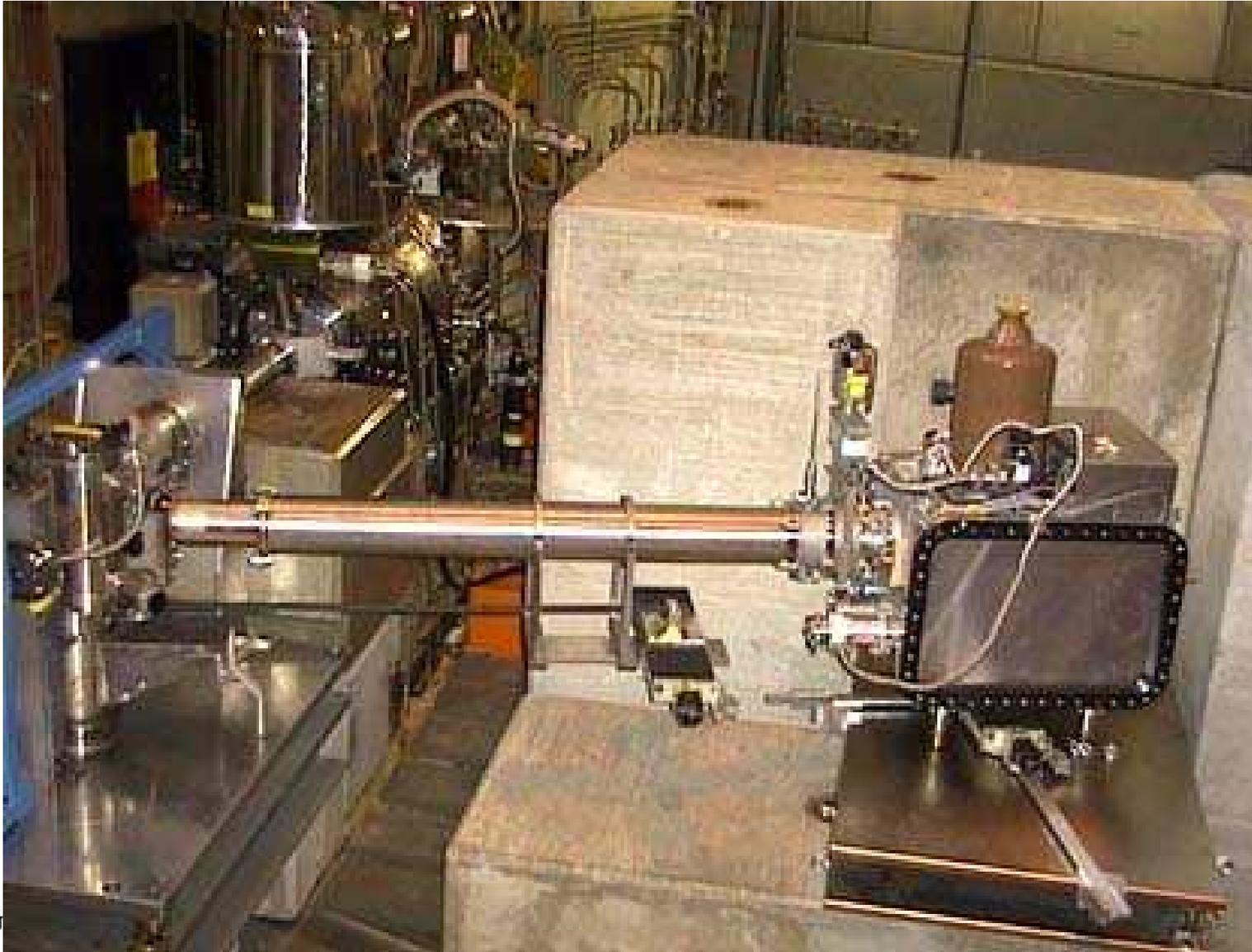


position-sensitive detector

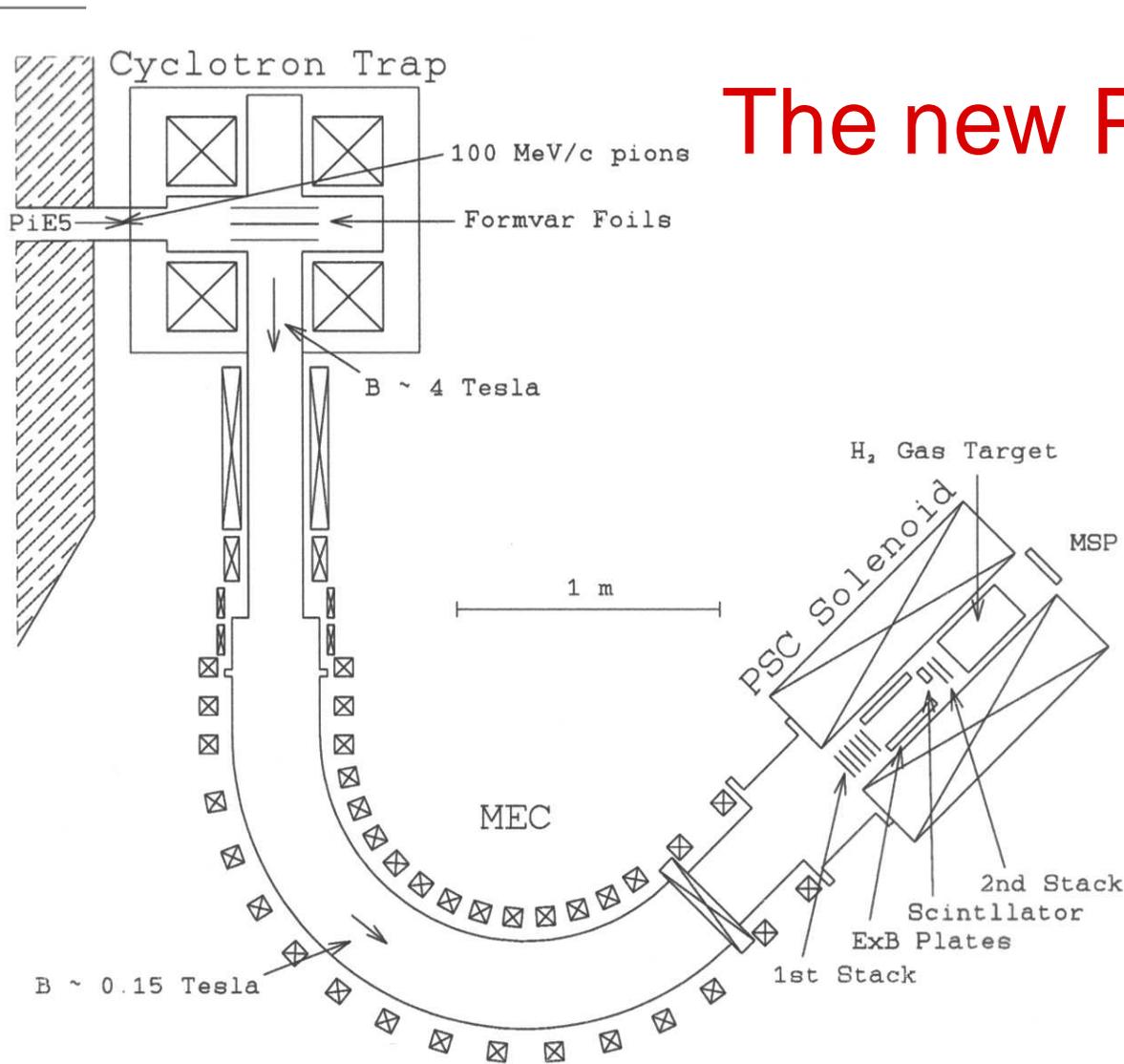
Charge-Coupled Device (CCD)

cyclotron trap  
gas cell

# Pionic Hydrogen Expt at PSI



# Slow Muon Beam at PSI



## The new PSI anticyclotron

Axial  $\pi^-$  injection

$$p(\pi^-) = 100 \text{ MeV}/c$$

$$2 \times 10^8/\text{s}, B = 4 \text{ T}$$

$\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^-$  in flight

$\mu^-$  MeV  $\Rightarrow$  keV in foils

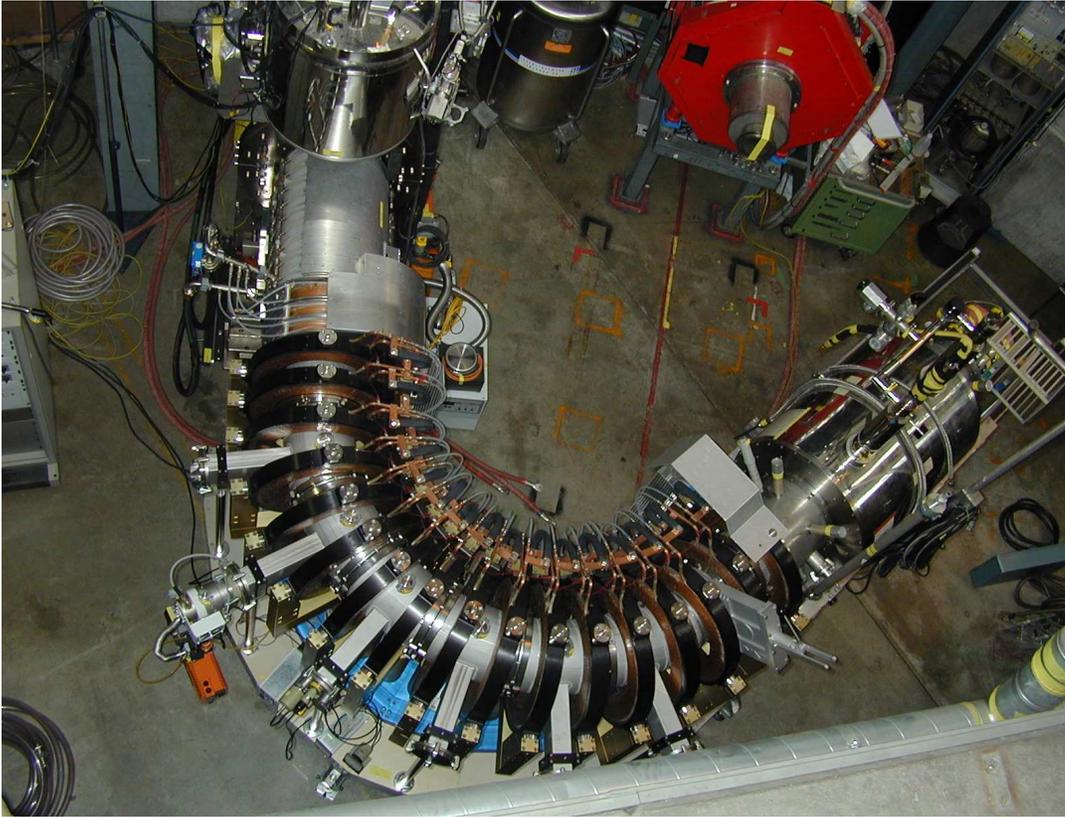
Extraction in  $E_{\text{axial}}$

$$B_{\text{transport}} = 0.15 \text{ T}$$

cleans beam of  $e^-$

F. Kottmann et al.: Hyperfine Interactions 138 (2001) 55.

# Slow Muon Beam at PSI



Arrival:

$$E(\mu^-) = 10 - 50 \text{ keV}$$

$$\varnothing 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\sim 10^4/\text{s } \mu^- \text{ in Be foil}$$

H<sub>2</sub> target

in  $B = 5 \text{ T}$  solenoid

100  $\mu^-$  stops/s in

$$p(\text{H}_2) = 2 \text{ mbar H}_2$$

(limited by laser expt)

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# Conclusion

- The anticyclotron project failed at LEAR
- ... probably due to poor beam cooling
- It works at PSI with muons
- ... of much worse beam characteristics
- It could be as efficient as an RFQD
- ... but much smaller, cheaper and easier to operate