

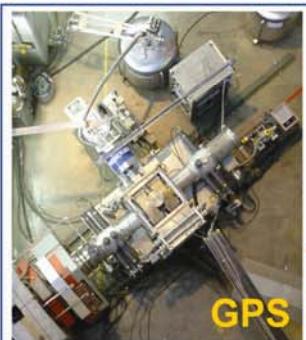
## Swiss Muon Source • SpS

### PSI $\mu$ SR Facility



- Soft Matter
  - Chemistry
- 4 MeV  $\mu^+$   
4.2-600 K / 0-5 T

### Bulk Condensed Matter



- Magnetism
- Supercond.
- Mat. Sci.

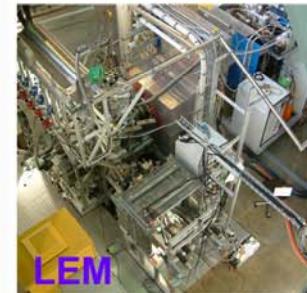
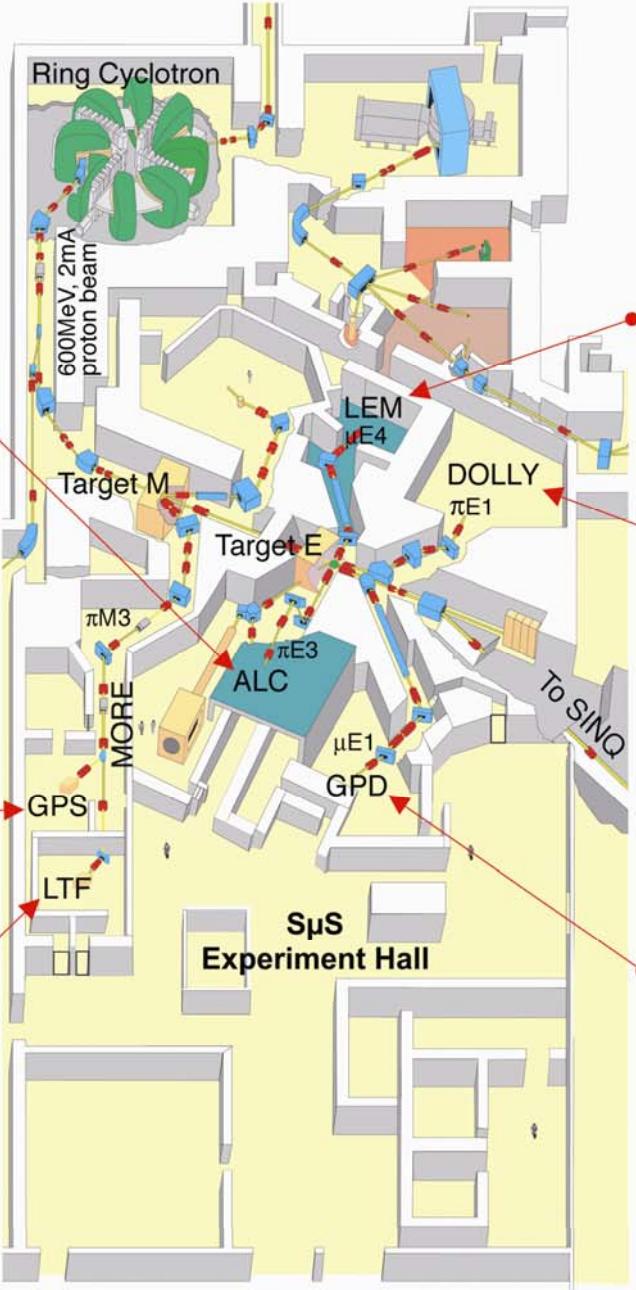
4 MeV  $\mu^+$   
1.6-900 K / 0-0.6 T

#### Unique: Muons on Request

4 MeV  $\mu^+$   
0.02-4.2 K / 0-3 T



Laboratory for  $\mu$ SR Spectroscopy



**Unique:**  
Tunable Energy  
0-30 keV  $\mu^+$   
2-325 K / 0-0.3 T

- Thin Films
- Multilayers
- Interfaces

Depth resolved Cond. Mat.  
(nm scale)



- Magnetism
- Supercond.
- Mat. Sci.

### Bulk Condensed Matter



15-60 MeV  $\mu^+$  or  $\mu^-$   
0.23-500 K / 0-0.65 T  
2.6 GPa

- Magnetism
- Supercond.
- Mat. Sci.
- Chemistry

## Muon Instruments

- GPS with new electronics (VME)
  - GPD with enhanced high pressure capability
  - ALC with new detectors (APDs) and sample environment
  - LTF replacement
  - Dolly
  - LEM with further upgrades (e.g. longitudinal polarization)
  - **2009 proposal for: 10 T High Field, High Time Resolution Instrument  
(possible location:  $\pi$ E3 extended), 50mK-300K**
- Goal: additional dedicated beam lines for  $\mu$ SR instruments**

# High Energy Muon Instrument – GPD

$\mu$ E1 Superconducting Decay Channel Beamline, 10–60 MeV  $\mu^+$  or  $\mu^-$



- New magnet  
 $B_{\text{ext}}$ : 0–0.65 T
- New cryostat  
Oxford Instruments Variox  
with Heliox  $^3\text{He}$  Insert  
 $T$ : 230 mK – 300 K
- Larger sample chamber for  
pressure cell dia. up to 40 mm
- New detectors
- New collimation system

# High Energy Muon Instrument – GPD

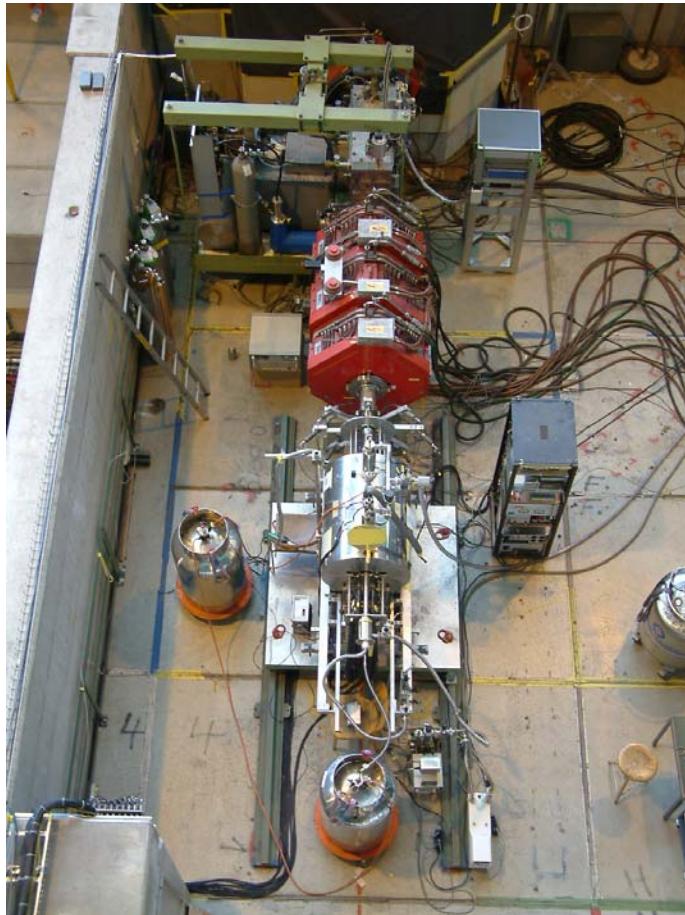
## Current Developments



**New Pressure Cell MP35N**  
Babes-Bolyai Univ. Cluj-Napoca (RO)  
IMNF, TU Braunschweig (DE)

Tested: 2.6 GPa at 230 mK

# Integral $\mu$ SR Instrument: Avoided Level Crossing – ALC



## **$\pi$ E3 Surface Muon Beamline** (non permanent)

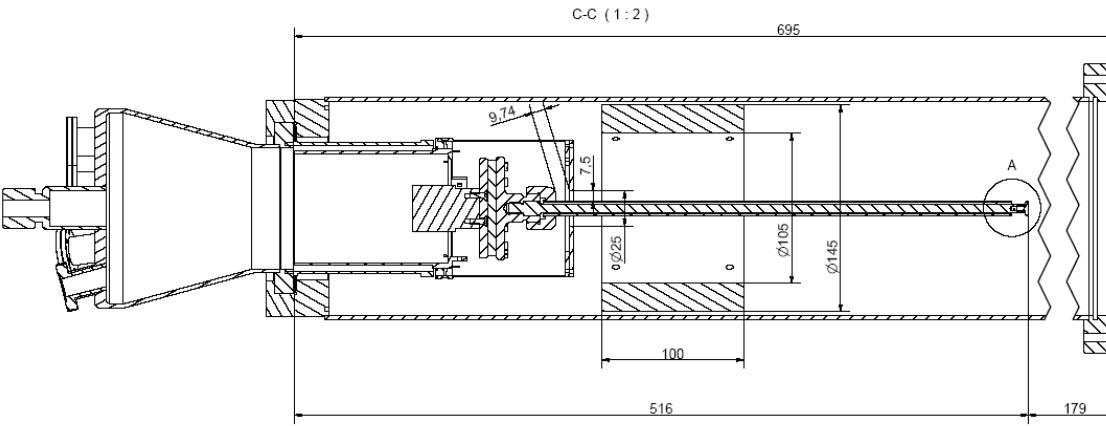
- 4 MeV  $\mu^+$ , 100% polarized
- $B_{\text{ext}}$ : 0 – 5 T longitudinal  
(Superconducting solenoid)
- $T$ : 4.2 – 600 K

### *Upgrades:*

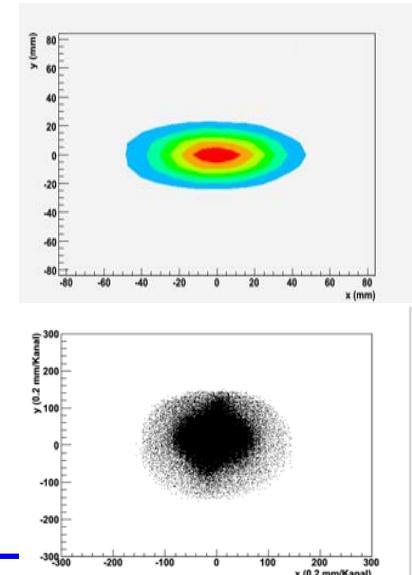
- Electronics and data acquisition
- APD based detectors (2008)

## LEM: Low energy Muons

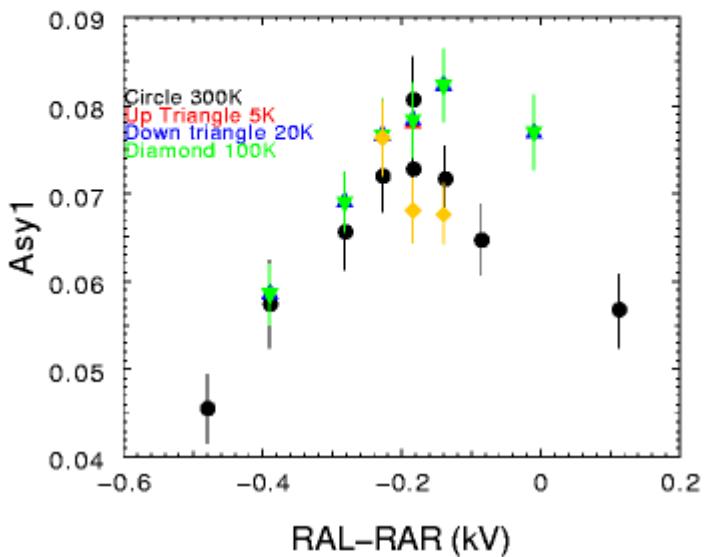
- Routine use of s-Ar moderator → 1.4 intensity increase
- “Small sample” setup (with Rob Kiefl, UBC/Triumf)
- Fly past setup
- Reduce background with Ni backing
- Improved version being tested (floating sample, cool shield, positron blocker)



“untwinned” YBCO-7 Crystals (from UBC R. Liang, W. Hardy et al.)



# Ag 7x7 mm<sup>2</sup> RA Scan TF 95G Tr=15kV



**Signal Asymmetry:** 0.08

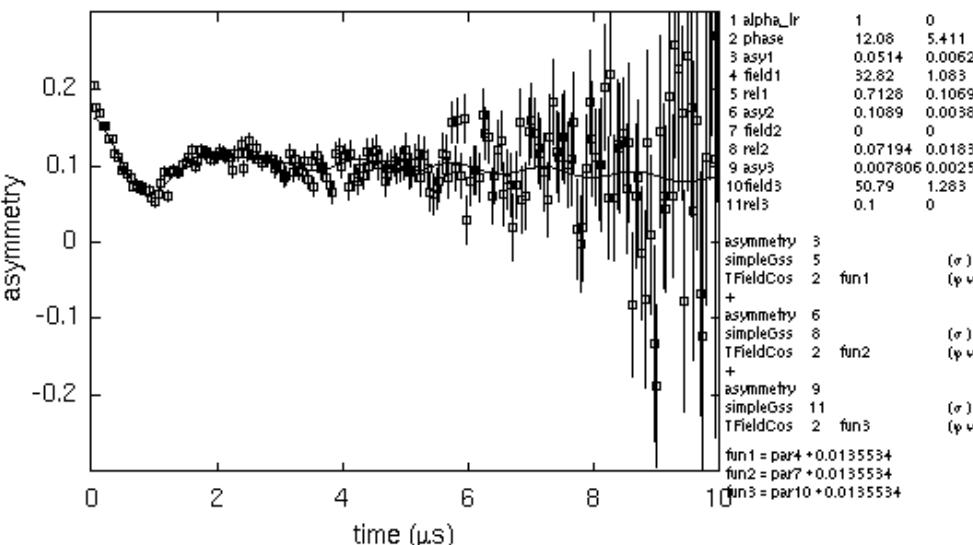
**BG Asymmetry:** 0.135

**Event rate reduction:** 0.28 \* Max

Meissner state at the surface  
of small (~50 mm<sup>2</sup>) single YBCO  
crystals

Measurement of  $\lambda_a$  and  $\lambda_b$

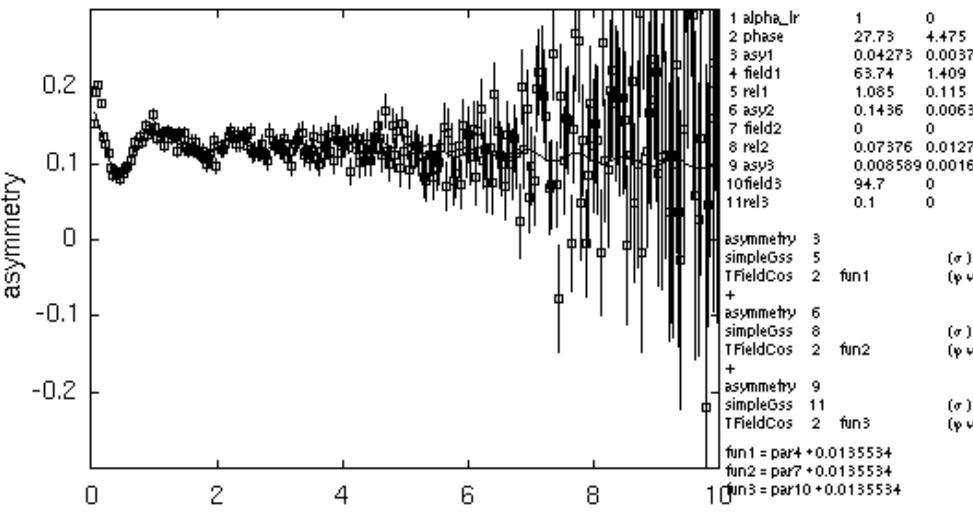
# 735: YBCO Mosaic, 10K ZFC, 50G, 15kV



WKMFIT of 13.06.07 22:16h with 1 run(s), 2 histogramm(s),  $|x| = 1.085$

□ Run 1 (2007/fem07\_0735\_rb1\_npp : YBCO UBC Mosaic 2F cooled, T=10.00 (K), Tr=15.02 (kV), 14.60 (keV), B=48.35(G)/1.50(A), RAL-RAR=0.1)

# 724+725+726: YBCO Mosaic, 5K ZFC, 95G, 15kV



WKMFIT of 11.06.07 21:08h with 1 run(s), 2 histogramm(s),  $|x| = 1.086$

, B=97.68(G)/3.01(A), RAL-



# Surface Muon Instruments – GPS/LTF and DOLLY

## Recent Upgrades, Plans

### GPS:

- Second sample environment port (**since Summer 2006**)  
for easy change between He flow cryostat and CCR or Oven
- New data aquisition electronics and GUI (**since 2006**)

### DOLLY:

- New cryostat (OI Variox, **Spring 2007**, can be used with OI  $^3\text{He}$  insert)

### LTF:

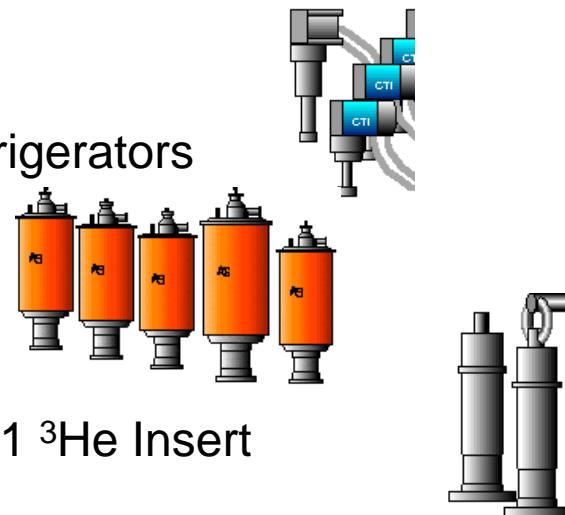
- New  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  dilution refrigerator (e.g. on DOLLY)

## S $\mu$ S Sample Environment

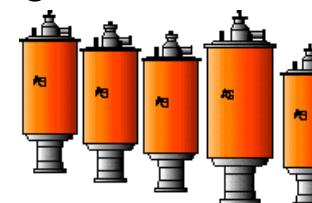
**Temperature:**

0.02 - 900 K

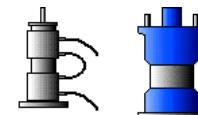
3 Closed Cycle Refrigerators



7 He-Cryostats



1 Dilution Cryostat, 1  $^3\text{He}$  Insert



**Magnetic Field:**

5 T longitudinal (ALC), 3 T transverse (LTF)  
0.6 T longitudinal or transverse (standard)

**Pressure:**

2.6 GPa hydrostatic

