

THE HITRAP PROJECT AT GSI

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UNILAC

HITRAP

experimental
set-ups

cooling
trap
⇒ G. Werth

post-
decelerator
⇒ U. Ratzinger

Ions at rest: $T = 4\text{ K}$
extracted beams at ultra-low
energy : $1\text{ eV}\cdot q$ to $30\text{ keV}\cdot q$

4 keV/u

EXPERIMENTS WITH HIGHLY-CHARGED IONS AT EXTREMELY LOW ENERGIES:

- World-wide no other facility exists for bare and few-electron highly-charged ions up to U^{92+} .

SIS

stripper

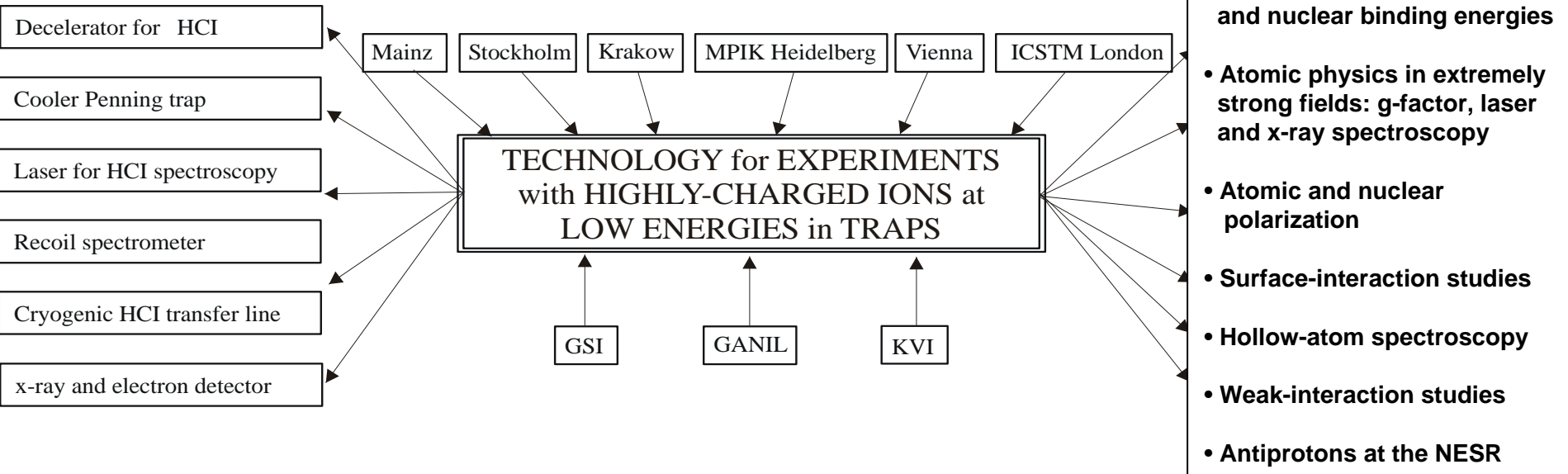
ESR

deceleration
down to 7 MeV/u
⇒ M. Steck

European RTD-Network “HITRAP Facility”

2001 – 2005

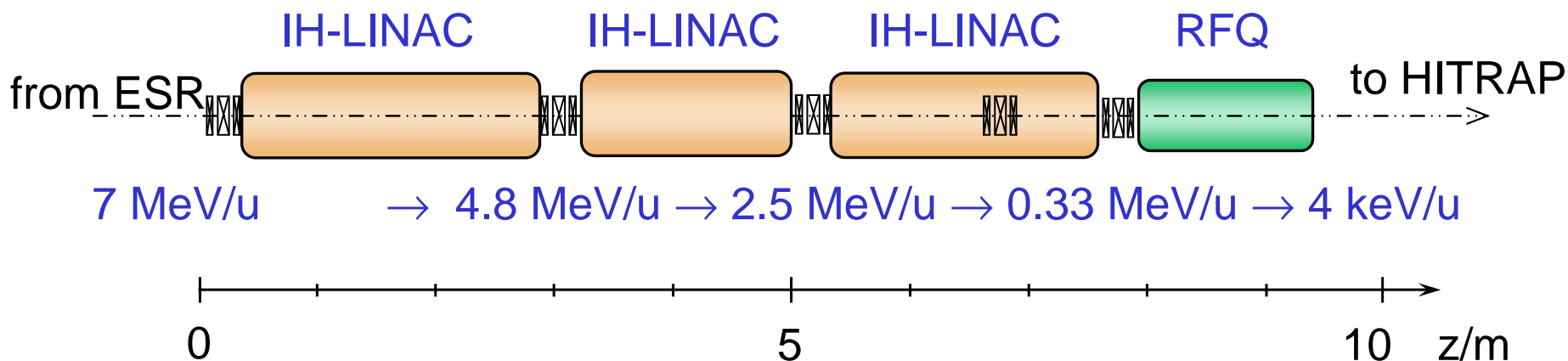
NOVEL INSTRUMENTATION



- **Total budget for four years (starting Nov. 2001): 1.9 Mio. EUR, mainly for personnel.**
- **Goal: development of novel instrumentation for experiments on HCI, including a decelerator, a cooler Penning trap, experimental set-ups and detectors for the investigation of the interaction of low-energy HCI with matter.**

DECELERATOR LINAC FOR HITRAP AT GSI

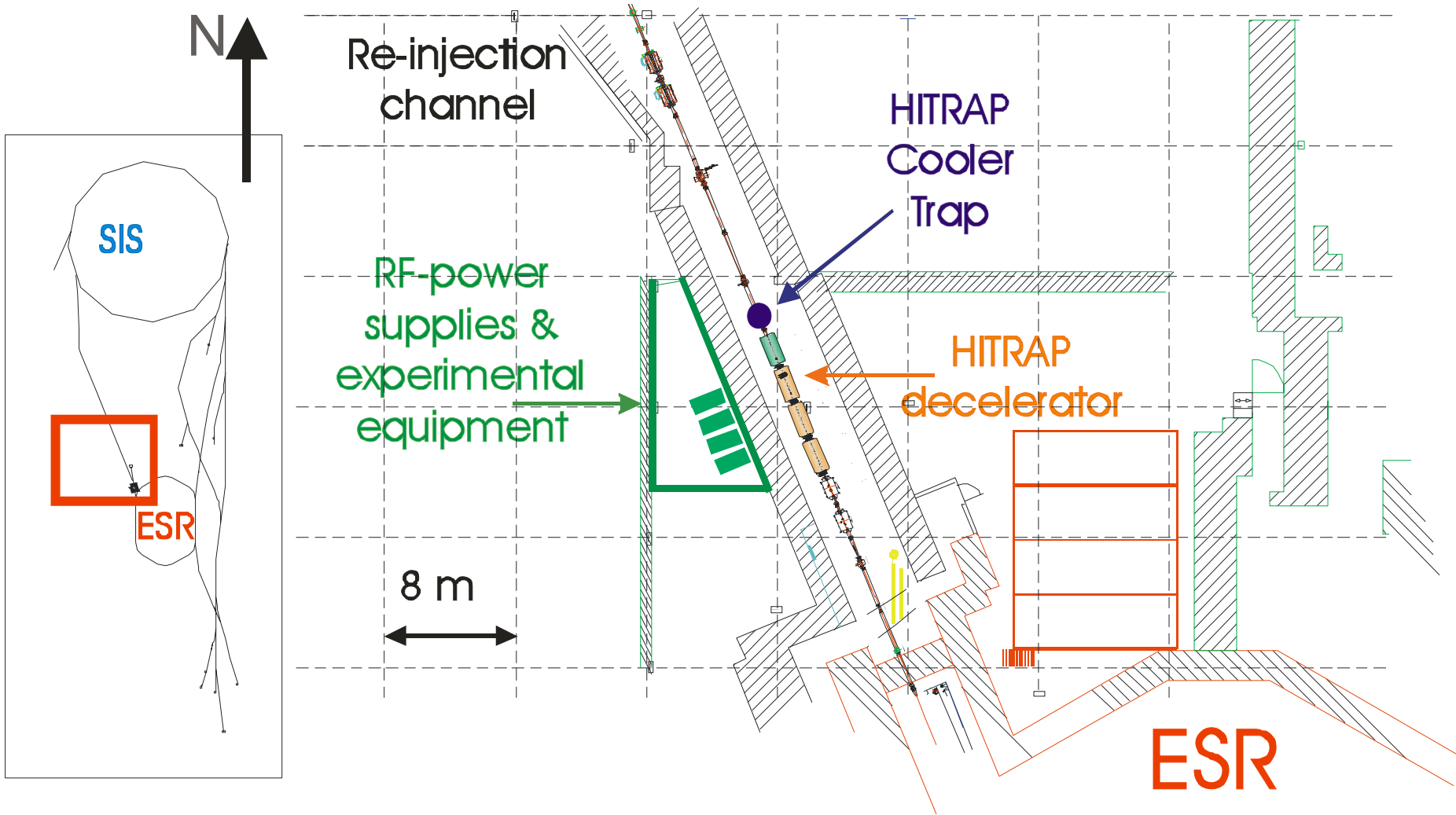
⇒ *U. Ratzinger*



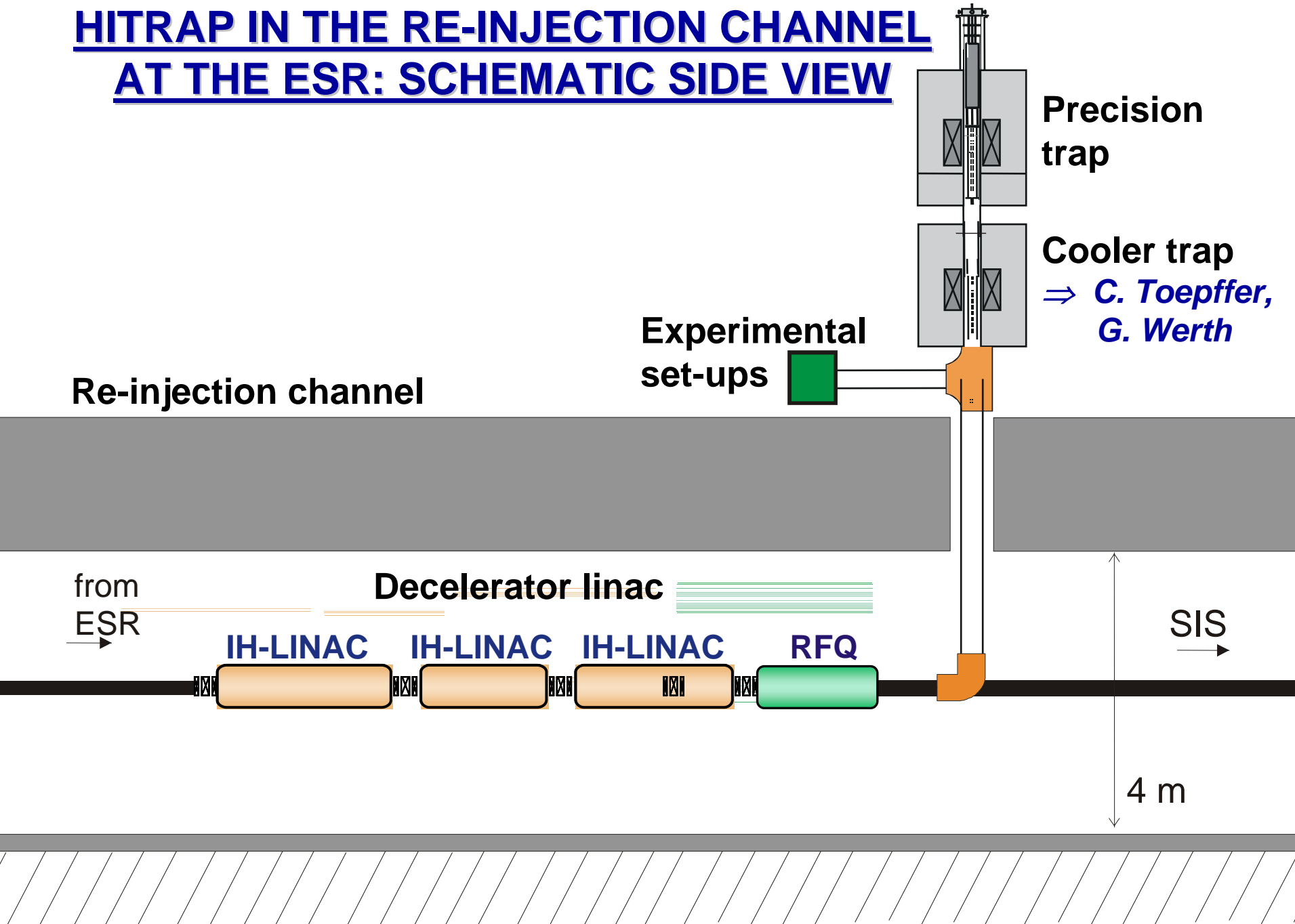
Operational Parameters:

- Ion mass-to-charge ratio $A/q \leq 3$
- Allowed emittance of extracted ESR beam $\leq 10\pi$ mm mrad
- Emittance of decelerated beam $\leq 200\pi$ mm mrad
- Beam intensity behind decelerator linac: some 10^6 ions/pulse (for U^{92+})
- Repetition time of decelerator cycle: 10 s

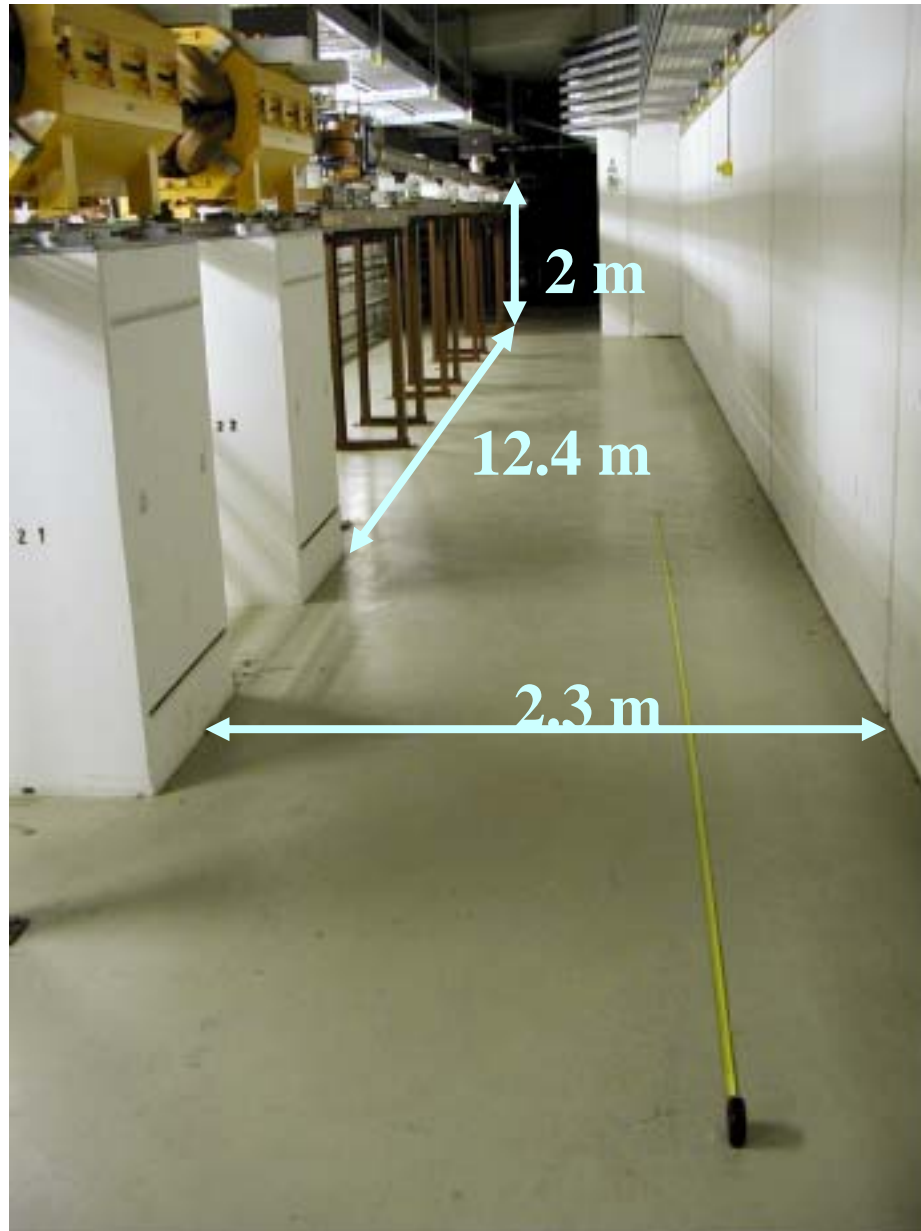
HITRAP IN THE RE-INJECTION CHANNEL AT THE ESR



HITRAP IN THE RE-INJECTION CHANNEL AT THE ESR: SCHEMATIC SIDE VIEW

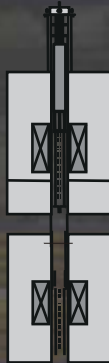


RE-INJECTION CHANNEL AT THE ESR: PRESENT SITUATION



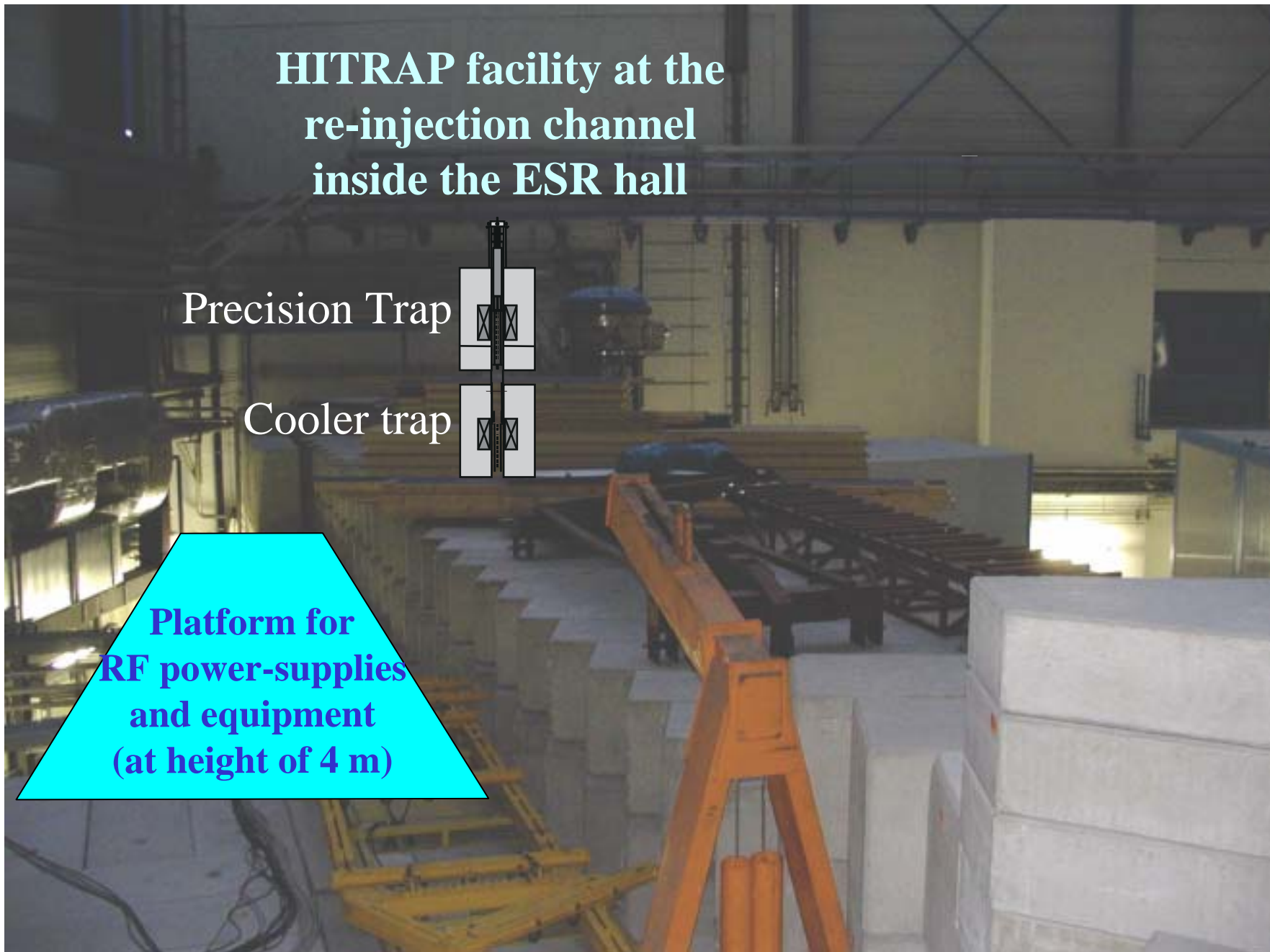
HITRAP facility at the re-injection channel inside the ESR hall

Precision Trap



Cooler trap

**Platform for
RF power-supplies
and equipment
(at height of 4 m)**



Precision Experiments on HCl in Penning Traps

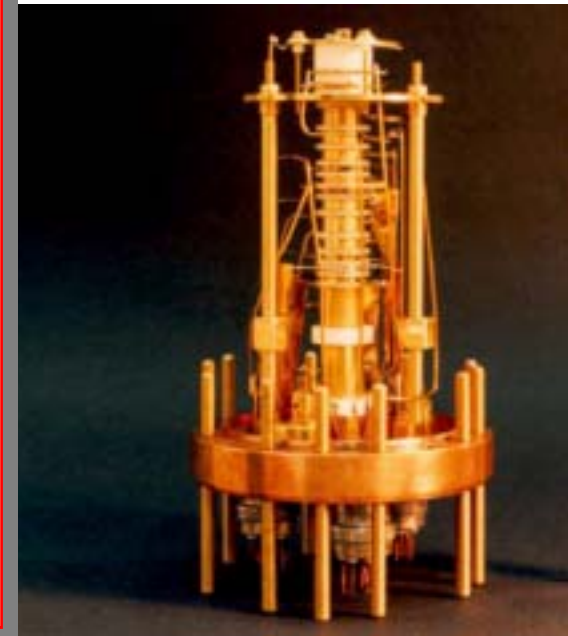
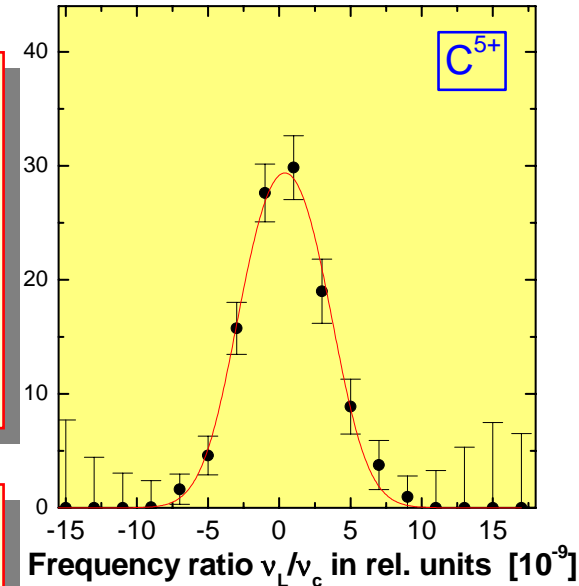
High-Precision Ion Trap Techniques:

- Single highly charged ion stored in Penning trap at $T = 4$ K
- Measurement of *ion cyclotron frequency* and of *Larmor precession frequency* of the bound electron with an accuracy on the 10^{-10} level

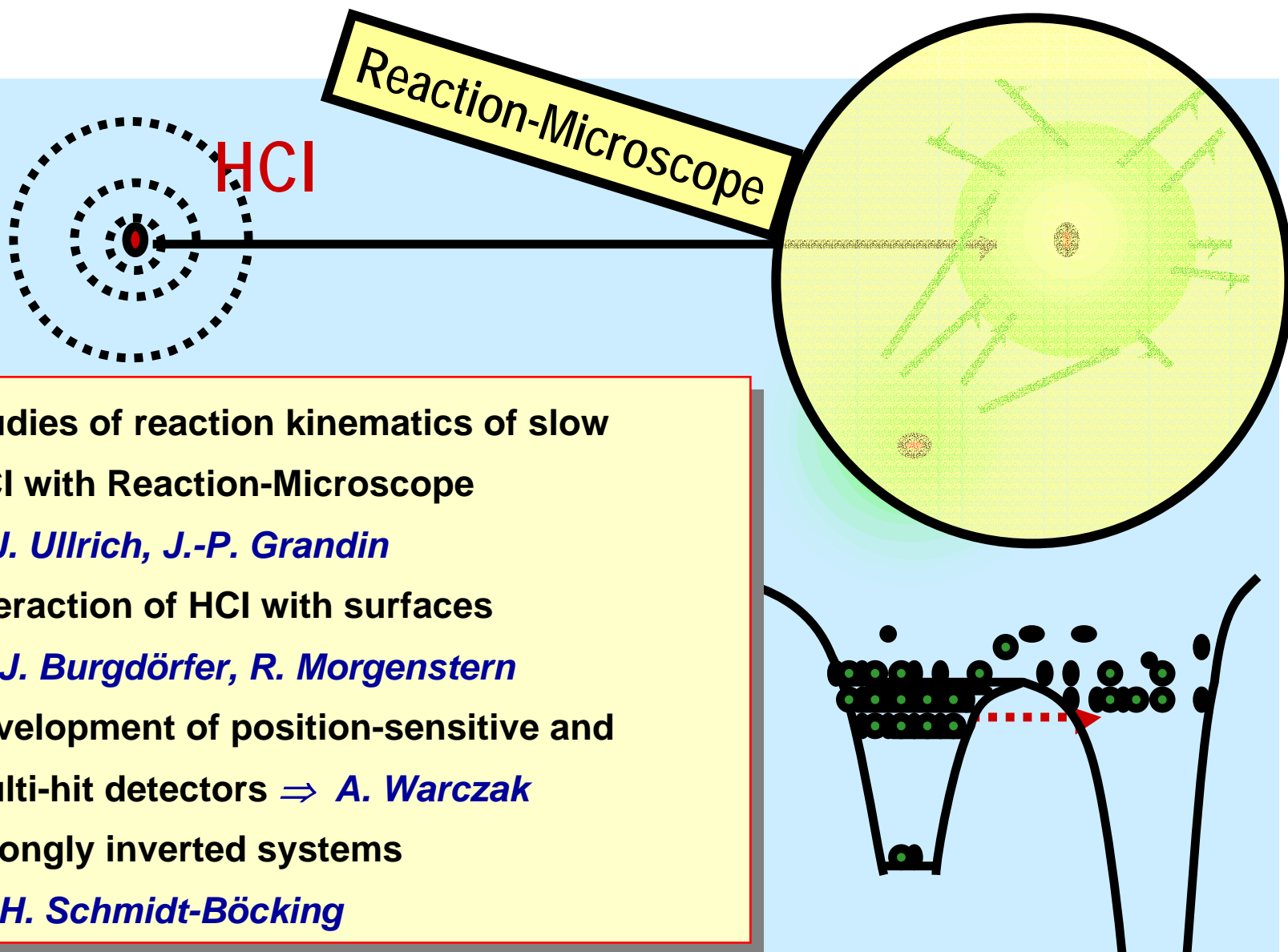
Bound-state QED and atomic-structure investigations:

⇒ *G. Soff*

- g-Factor of the bound electron in hydrogen-like ions up to U^{91+}
 - Fundamental constants (α , m_e)
 - Nuclear moments, diamagnetic shielding, charge radii
 - Determination of atomic binding energies via *ion cyclotron frequency* measurements in different charge states ⇒ *T. Fritioff*
- } ⇒ *T. Beier*



Collision Studies with Slow Highly Charged Ions up to U^{92+}



- Studies of reaction kinematics of slow HCl with Reaction-Microscope
⇒ *J. Ullrich, J.-P. Grandin*
- Interaction of HCl with surfaces
⇒ *J. Burgdörfer, R. Morgenstern*
- Development of position-sensitive and multi-hit detectors ⇒ *A. Warczak*
- Strongly inverted systems
⇒ *H. Schmidt-Böcking*

Laser Spectroscopy and X-ray Spectroscopy with HCl

Hyperfine-Transition in H-like Ions: \Rightarrow *R. Thompson*

- Nuclear properties (charge and magnetisation distributions)
- QED effects
- Atomic and nuclear polarization by optical pumping

X-ray spectroscopy with HCl: \Rightarrow *A. Warczak*

- Precision Measurements of Lamb shift
- Isotope shift, nuclear charge radii

Advantages of HITRAP as compared to ESR:

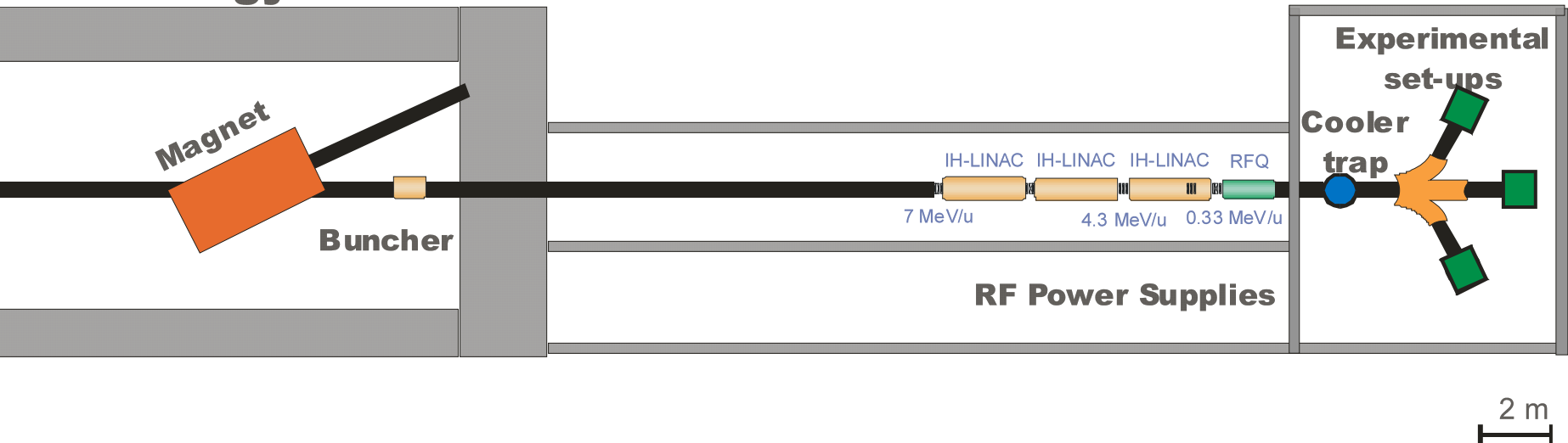
- Clean environment with efficient light collection
- Ions nearly at rest, no Doppler-shift

GSI Future Accelerator Facility: HITRAP at the NESR

In addition:

- Experiments with trapped cold antiprotons:
exotic systems, CPT invariance
⇒ *E. Widmann*
- Gravitational studies with antihydrogen
⇒ *J. Walz, Poster*

Low-Energy Cave at NESR



Conclusions:

- HITRAP will be a **unique facility** for bare and few-electron highly-charged ions up to U^{92+} at very low energies
- The HITRAP Project is embedded in the **EU-RTD Network “HITRAP Facility”**
- Design and construction of **decelerator linac** and of **cooler Penning trap** is straightforward and under way.
- Installation of HITRAP Facility at re-injection channel in the ESR hall
- GSI Future Facility:
In addition, **low-energy energy antiprotons** will be available at NESR