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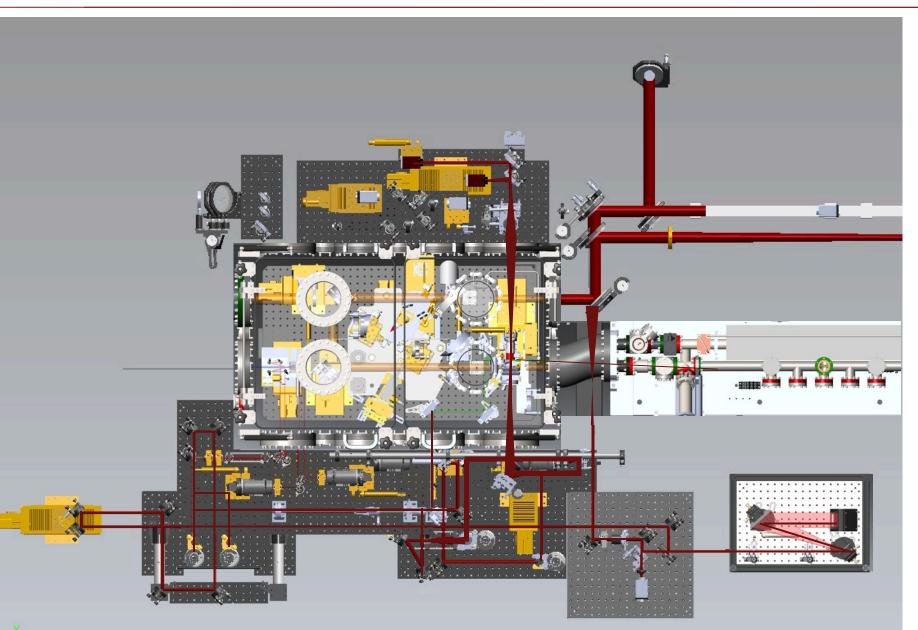
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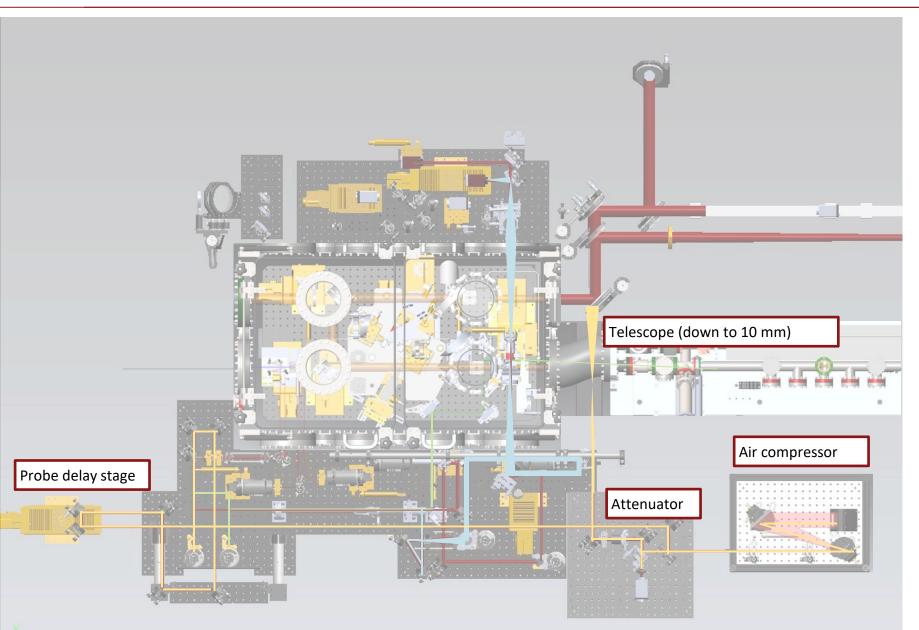


The sector 20 probe beam



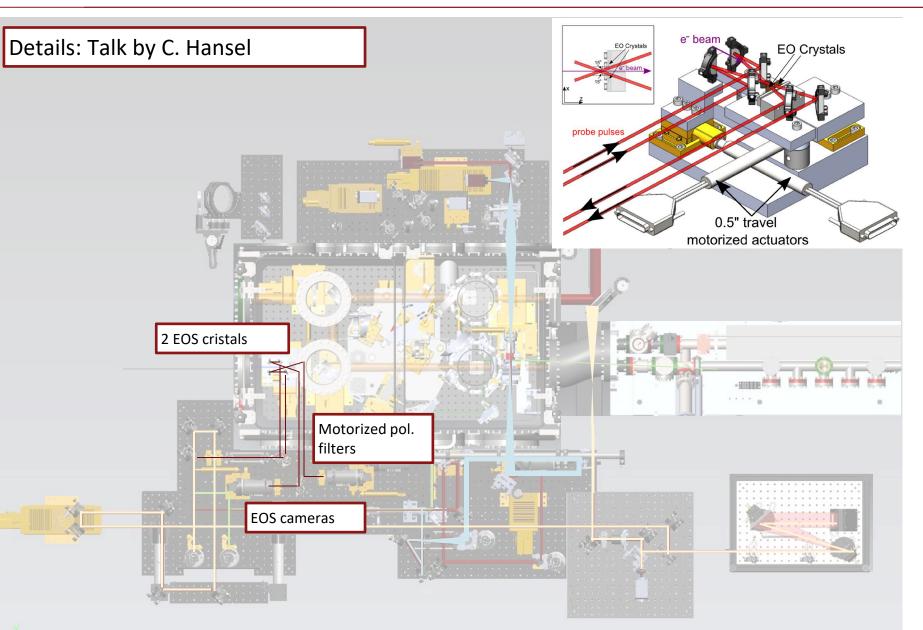
- 10+ experiments
- 4 laser arms
- EOS
- Plasma imaging
- Shadowgraphy
- Ionizer

Sector 20 probe beam: General parts

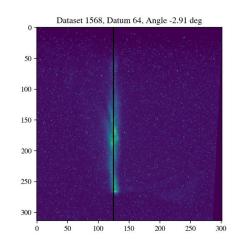


- Pulse length ~ 70 fs
 FWHM
- Energy ~ 10 mJ
- 800 nm Fiber laser up to EOS
- Collimated probe post main-laser collimation

Sector 20 probe beam: Electro-optical sampling

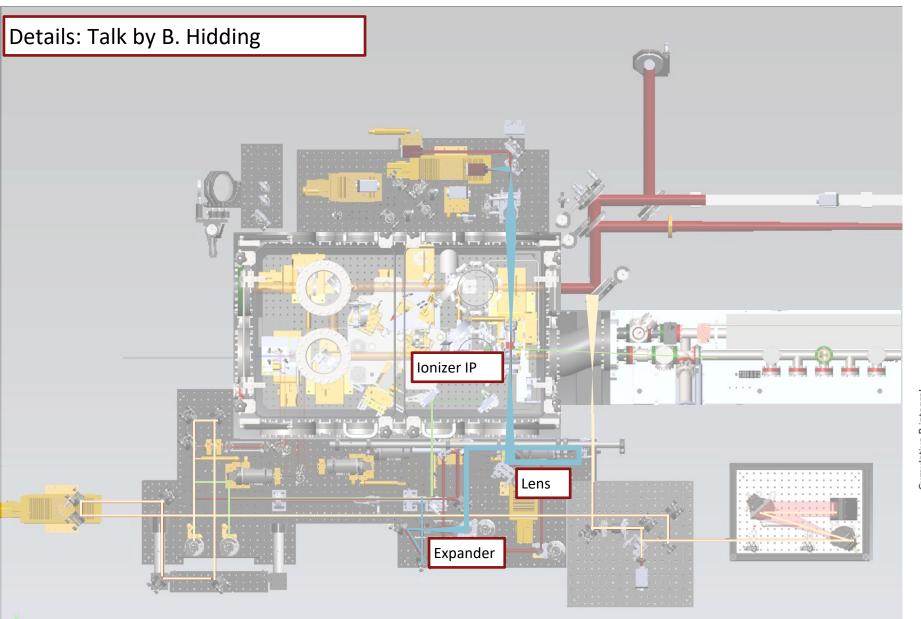


- Operational in 2022
- Need to restore t₀
- Fs time stamping
- Bunch separation
- EOS BPM

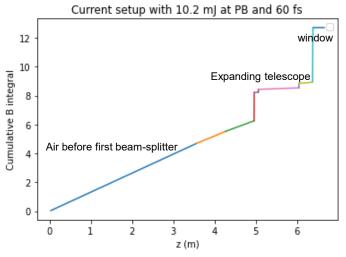


EOS1 signal from August 2022

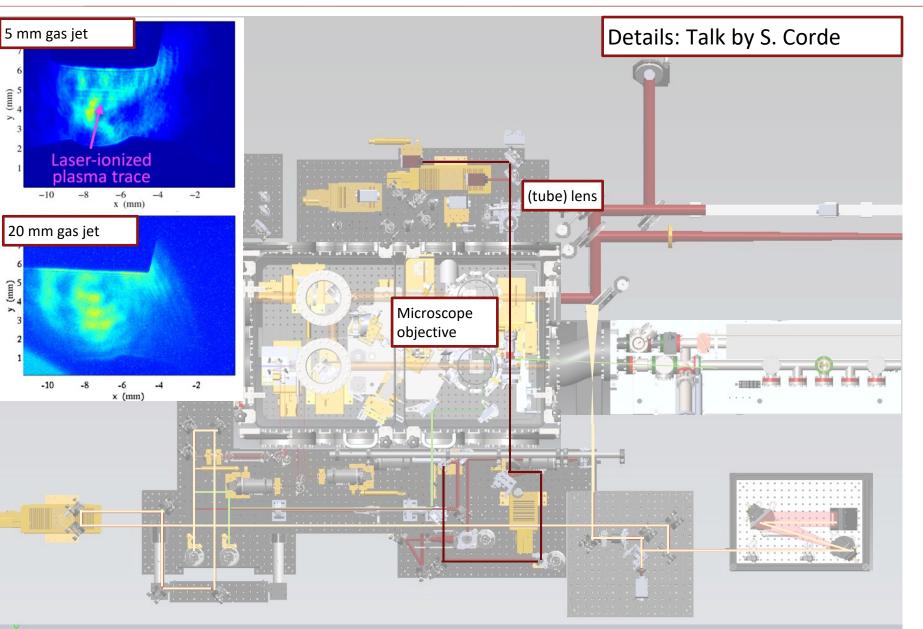
Sector 20 probe beam: ionizer



- OAP replaced with f=600 mm lens
- No ionization, yet
- B-integral studies performed by L. Berman and A. Sutherland

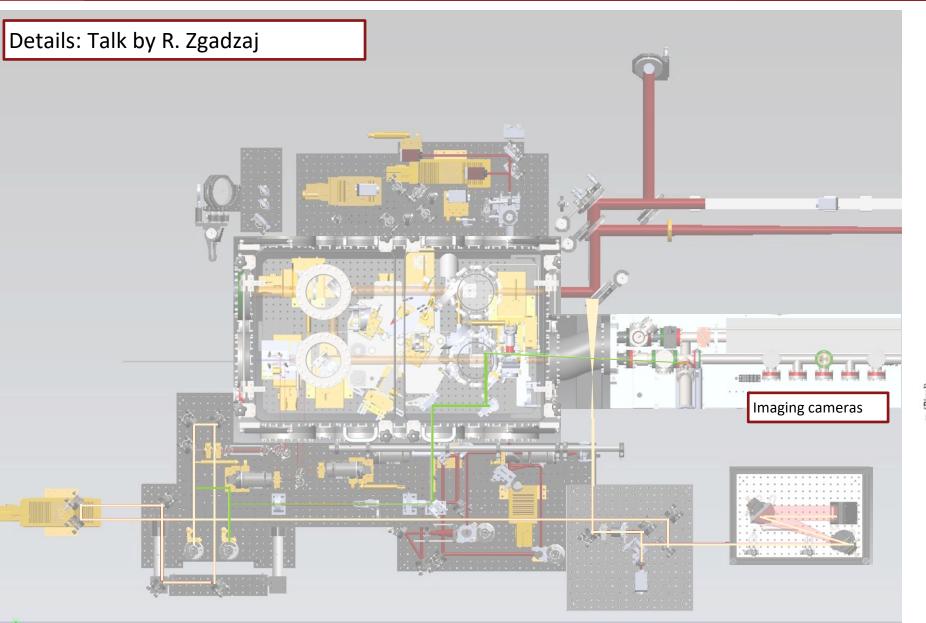


Sector 20 probe beam: shadowgraphy



- Operational in Low-res or High-res
- Alignment re-established
- Upgrade to 400 nm planned

Sector 20 probe beam: E324 Plasma imaging



- Quasi-co-propagating probe
- Allows for imaging at PWFA densities

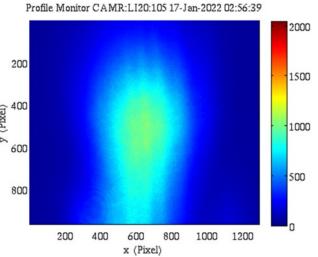
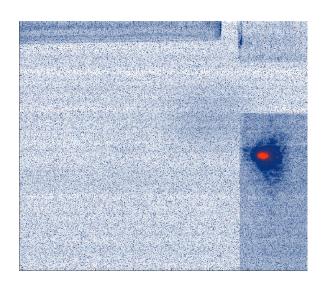


Image from alignment Jan. 2022

Front-view camera

- Collects transition radiation and laser light from E332 foils
- Valuable alignment tool for various experiments
- Blue-glass filter on flip mount to protect camera from laser light



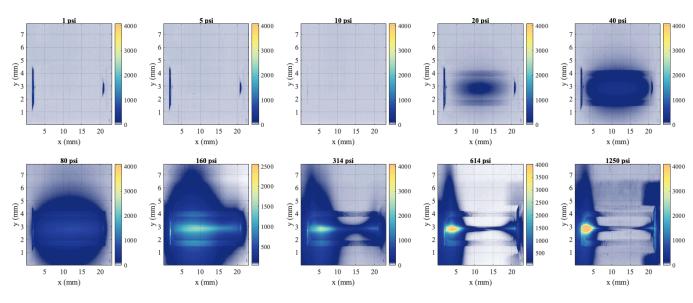




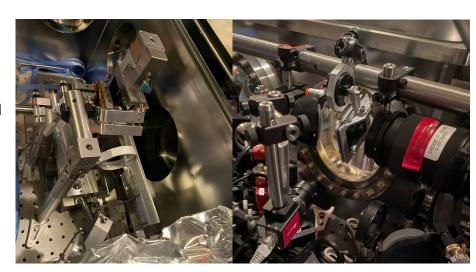
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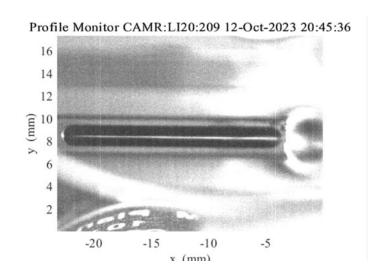
Top view

- Collects plasma afterglow light from gas jet
- Great tool to find synchronous time-of-arrival with electron beam
- Can detect inhomogeneities in axilens ionization

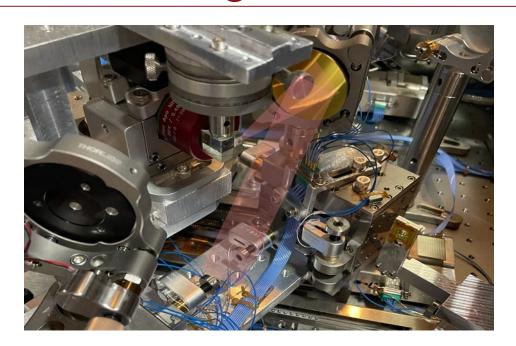


Gas jet pressure scan





E-320 diagnostics

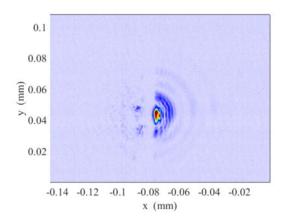


Diagnostic for spatio-temporal alignment of E320 experiment

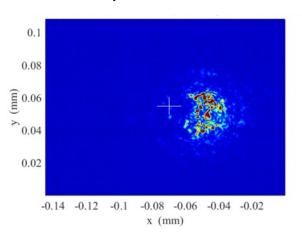
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- Find t₀ on femtosecond time-frame
- Align to um precision

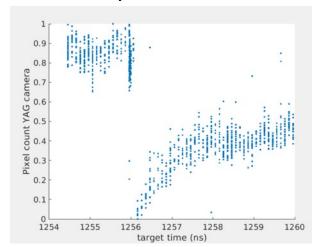
Laser-alignment



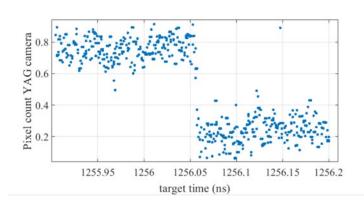
Wide spot on YAG



E-beam Synchronization



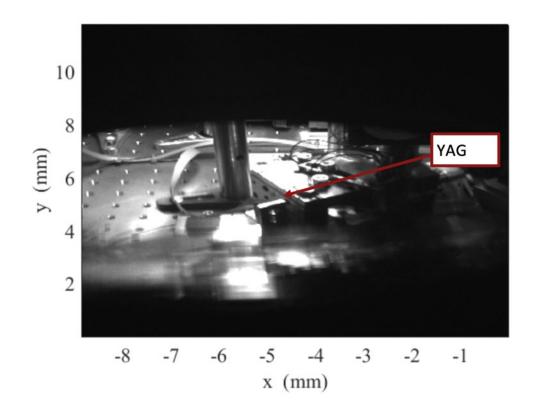
Fine timing scan

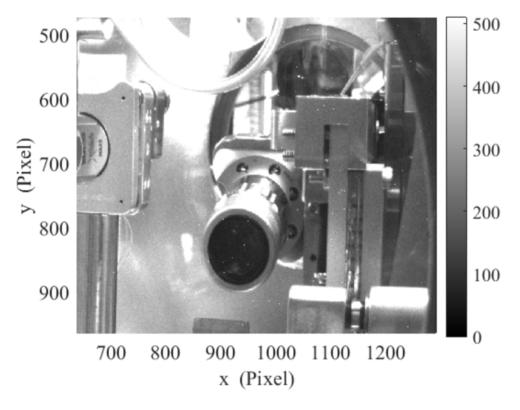




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General overview cameras





Sector 20 Probe beam

- Helper cameras to avoid crashes and for bugfixes during alignment
- Observation of Gas jet IP, E-320 IP, and laser beam dump

Future plans (not a complete list)

Upcoming goals:

- Wavefront measurements
- Functionality of all probe line
- Ionize with ionizer
- EOS BPM
- 400 nm upgrade
- Downstream ionizer / injector
- Darkfield shadowgraphy
- Motorized air compressor
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Long term goals:

- Improve probe quality, maintainability and stability
- Process similar to main-laser improvement
- Planing phase starts soon

Thank you for your attention!

