

# Radiation Backgrounds for the APEX experiment

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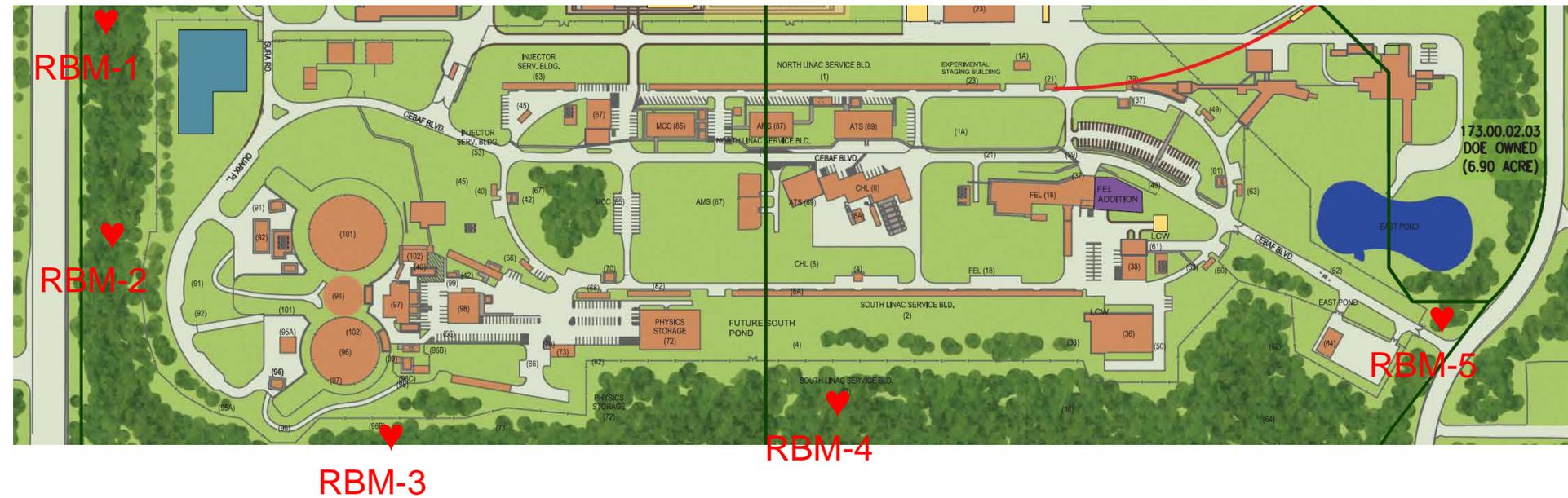
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# Shielding Design at JLab

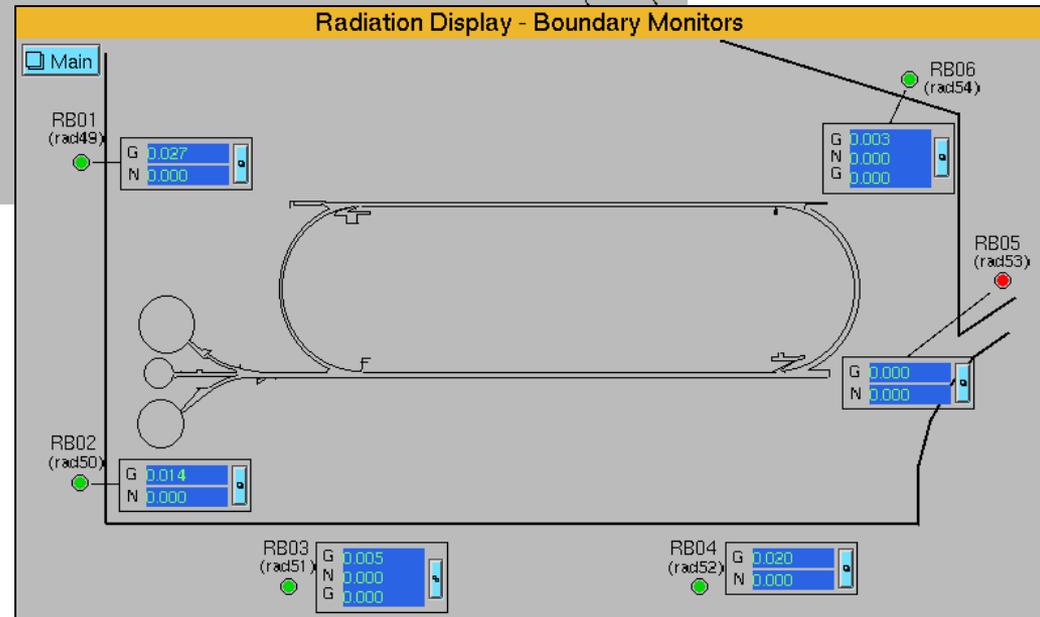
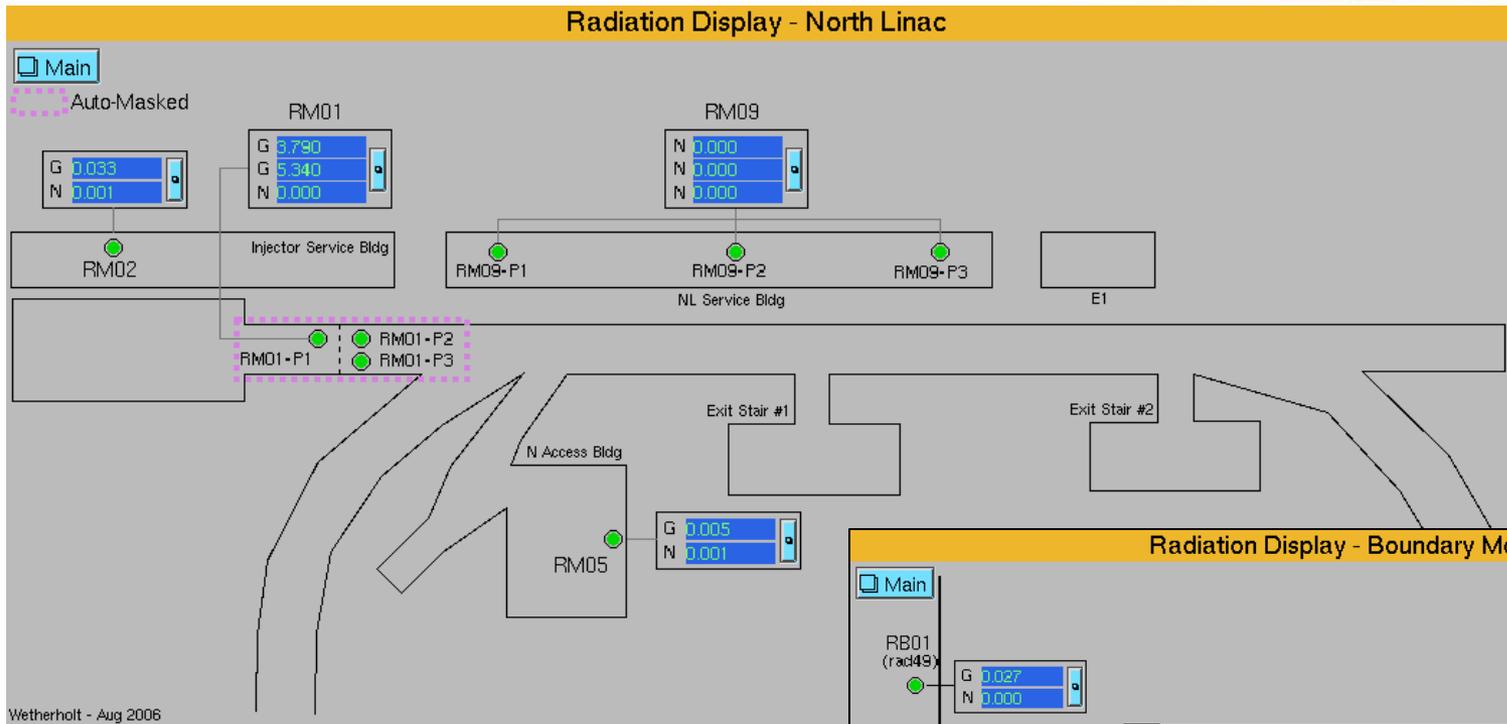
- ❑ JLab Radiological Control Policy (ES&H Manual, Radiation Control Supplement §111-06, §211-05) sets the Design Goals:
  - ❖ maintaining individual worker dose less than
    - 250 mrem (2.5 mSv) per year (Radiological Workers)
    - 10 mrem (0.1 mSv) per year (General Employees, Population)
  - ❖ preventing degradation of groundwater quality
  - ❖ controlling contamination by engineered means where possible
  - ❖ minimizing the generation of radioactive material
- ❑ Practical Design Criteria based on the Design Goals
  - ❖ Routine Continuous Beam Operations
    - Below 250 mrem to radiation worker in a 2000 hours work year
    - Below 10 mrem to non-radiation worker in a work year
    - !!! ➤ Below 10 mrem to public beyond the fence through a full year
  - ❖ Maximum Credible Accident: limit 15 rem (0.15 Sv) per occurrence

# CEBAF Area Map



- ❑ Environmental Radiation Boundary Monitors 1-6
  - ❖ Moderated He-3 proportional neutron counters
  - ❖ Standard Ionization Chamber Monitors
  - ❖ High Pressure Environmental IC (New)

# Radiation Monitoring Online at CEBAF



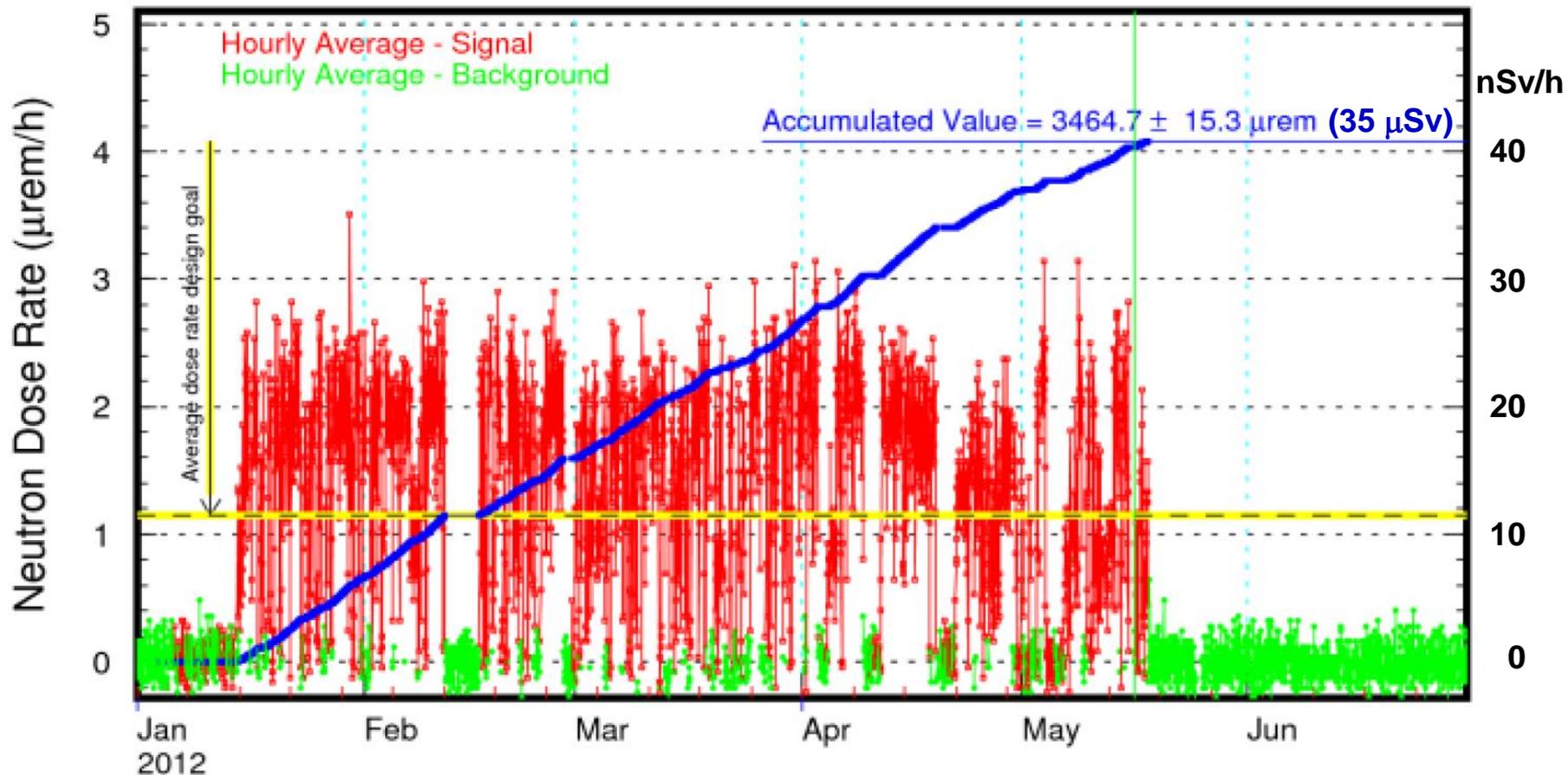
Two examples of the online radiation monitoring screens:

- North Linac area
- Boundary Monitors

# Environmental Neutron Dose Rates

Measurements in January – June, 2012

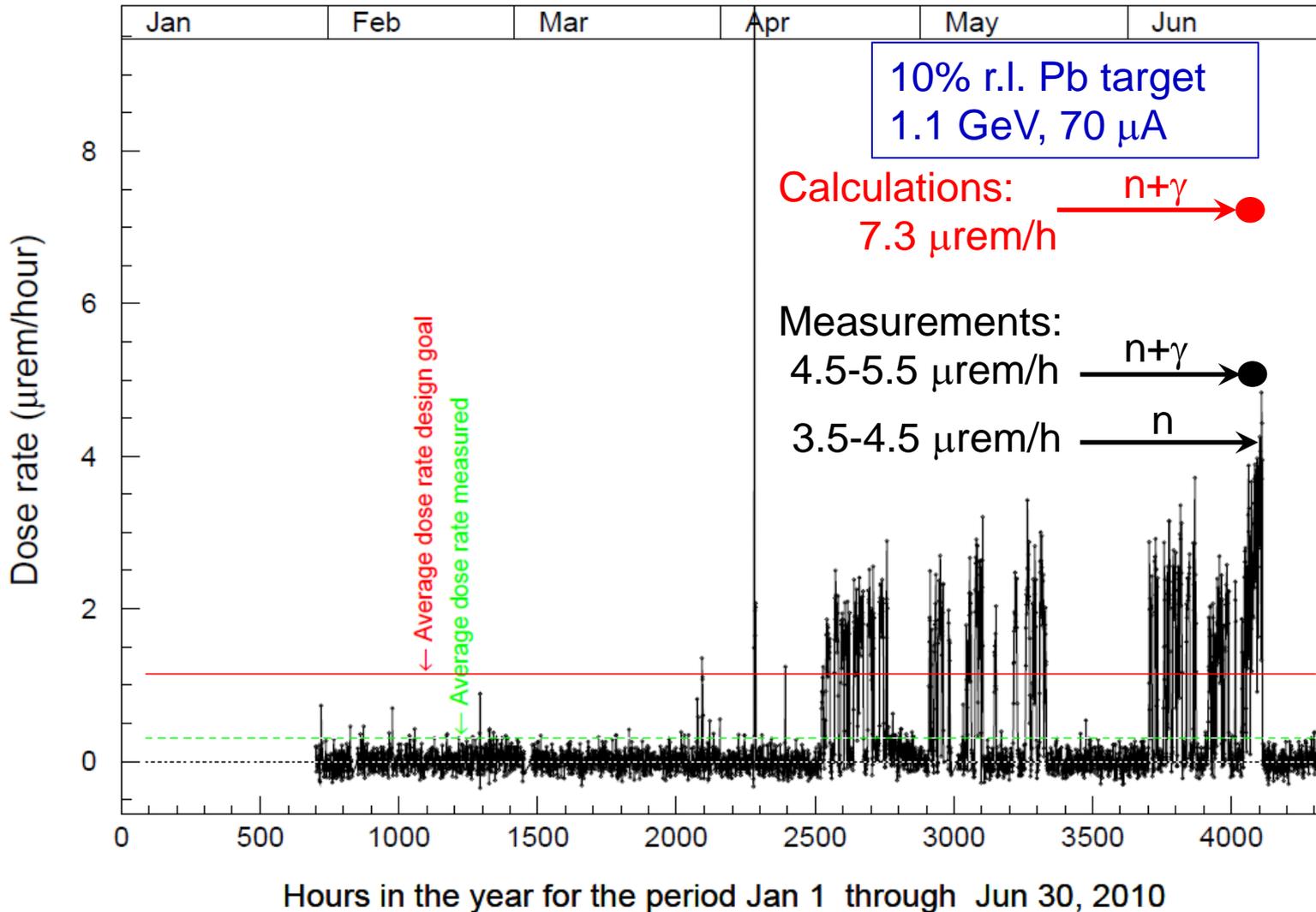
RBM-3: Neutron Dose Rate and Accumulation



RBM-3 location at CEBAF boundary closest to Hall C (90 m)

# Environmental Dose Rates: PREX'2010

## Neutron hourly dose at RBM-3



# APEX Environmental Radiation Evaluation

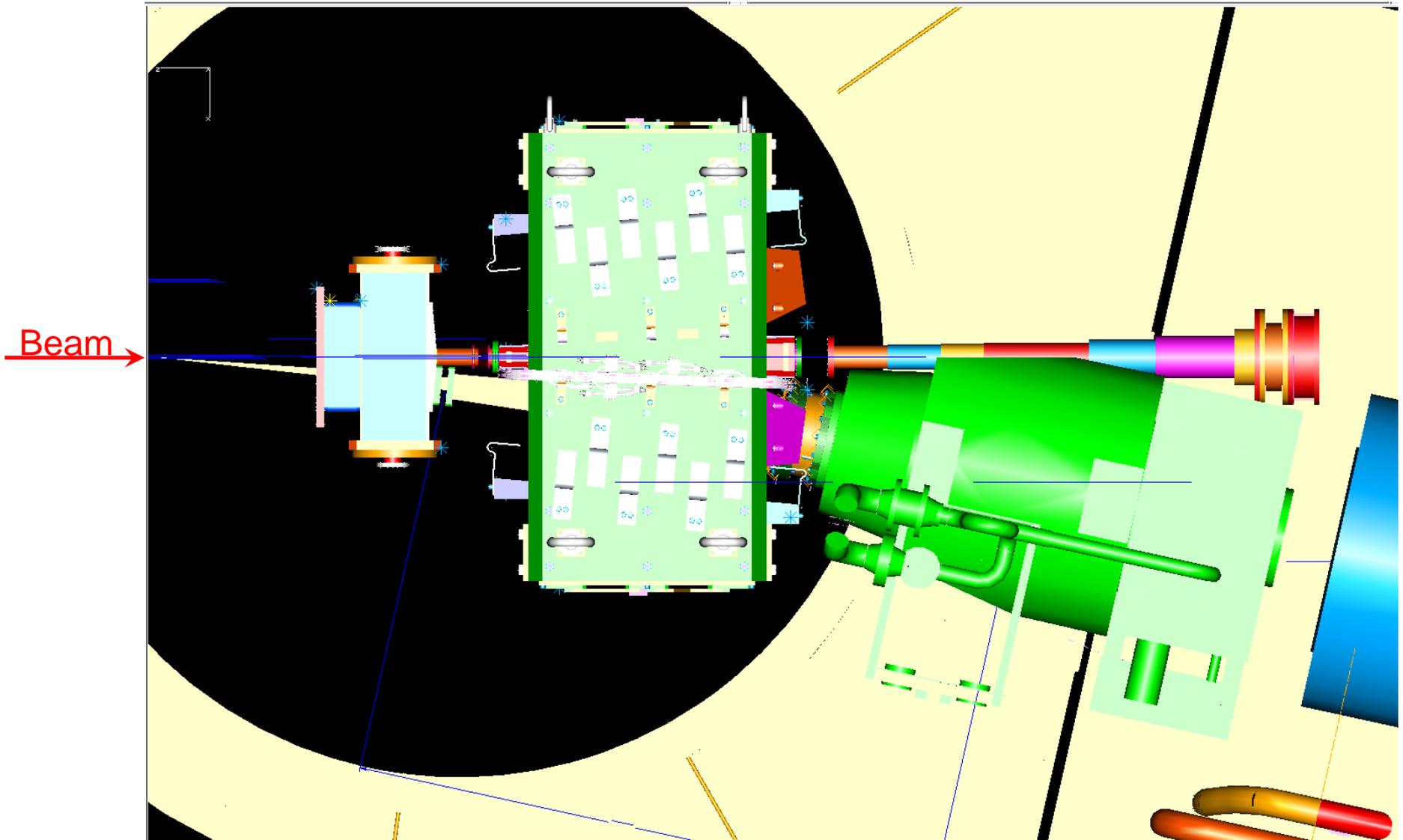
Hall: A		<u>RADIATION BUDGET FORM</u>				page: 1 of 1	
Exp. # E12-009		rev:	run dates: 2012		name of liaison: B. Wojtsekhowski		
setup number			1	2	3	4	
beam	energy	GeV	1.100	2.200	3.300	4.400	totals:
	current	uA(CW)	50.0	70.0	80.0	60.0	
exp't target	element		C	W	W	W	
	thickness	mg/cm2	300	270	540	540	
	dist. to pivot	m	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
	Z		6	74	74	74	
	A		12	184	184	184	
critical window	radius	cm	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	
	dist. to pivot	m	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	
scattering weighting factor			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	
time	run time (100% eff.)	hours	144	144	144	288	720
		days	6.0	6.0	6.0	12.0	30.0
	installation time	hours					0
		days	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
dose rate at the fence post (run time)	method 1	urem/hr	0.62	2.16	4.76	3.31	
	method 2	urem/hr					
	conservative	urem/hr	0.62	2.16	4.76	3.31	
dose per setup		urem	89	310	685	954	2038
% of annual dose budget		%	0.9	3.1	6.8	9.5	20.38
% of allowed dose for the total time							247.95
% of allowed dose for the run time only							247.95
<i>If &gt; 200%, discuss result with Physics Research EH&amp;S officer</i>							

*date form issued:* November 16, 2011

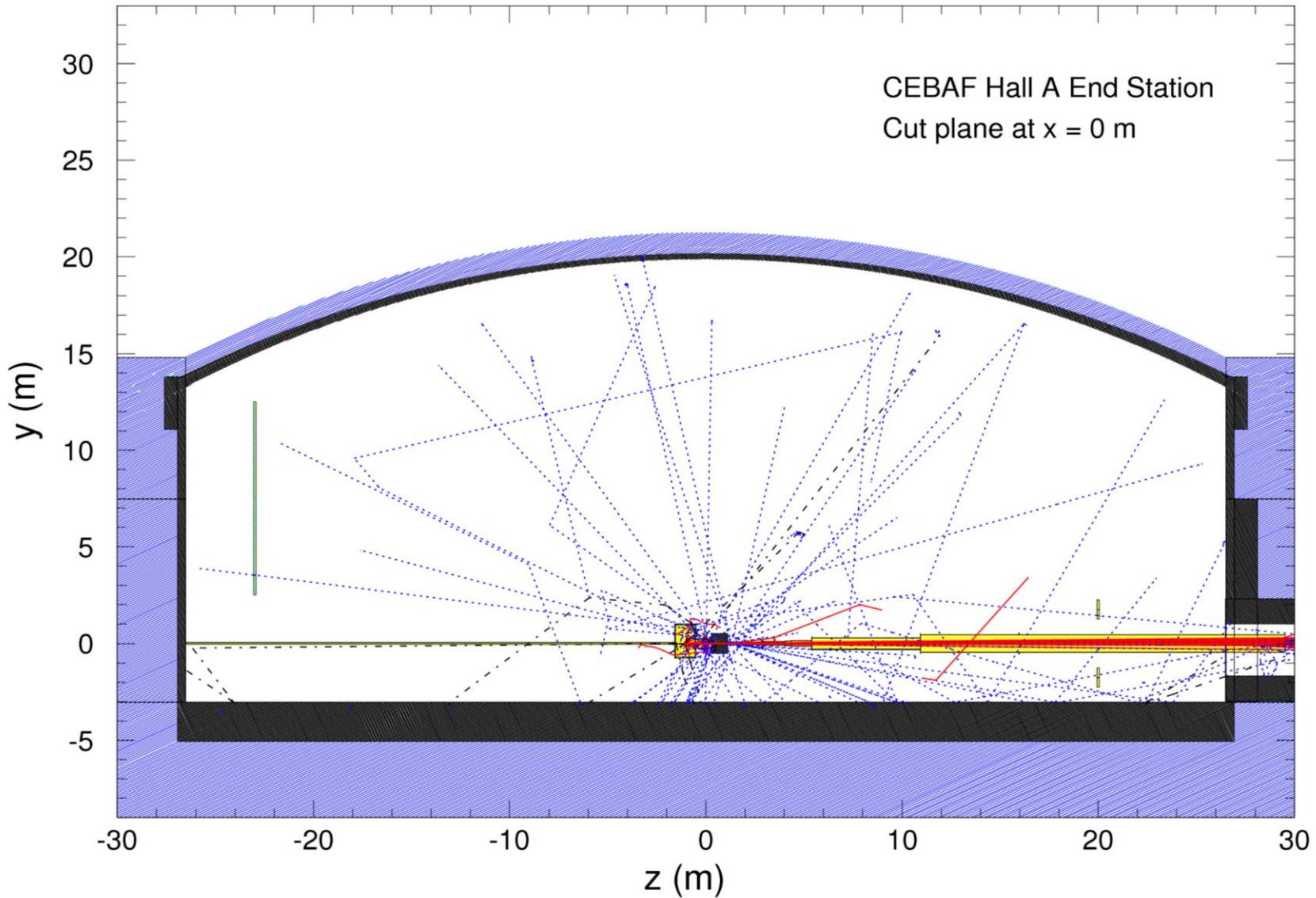
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- New calculations using the **GEANT3/DINREG** Monte Carlo

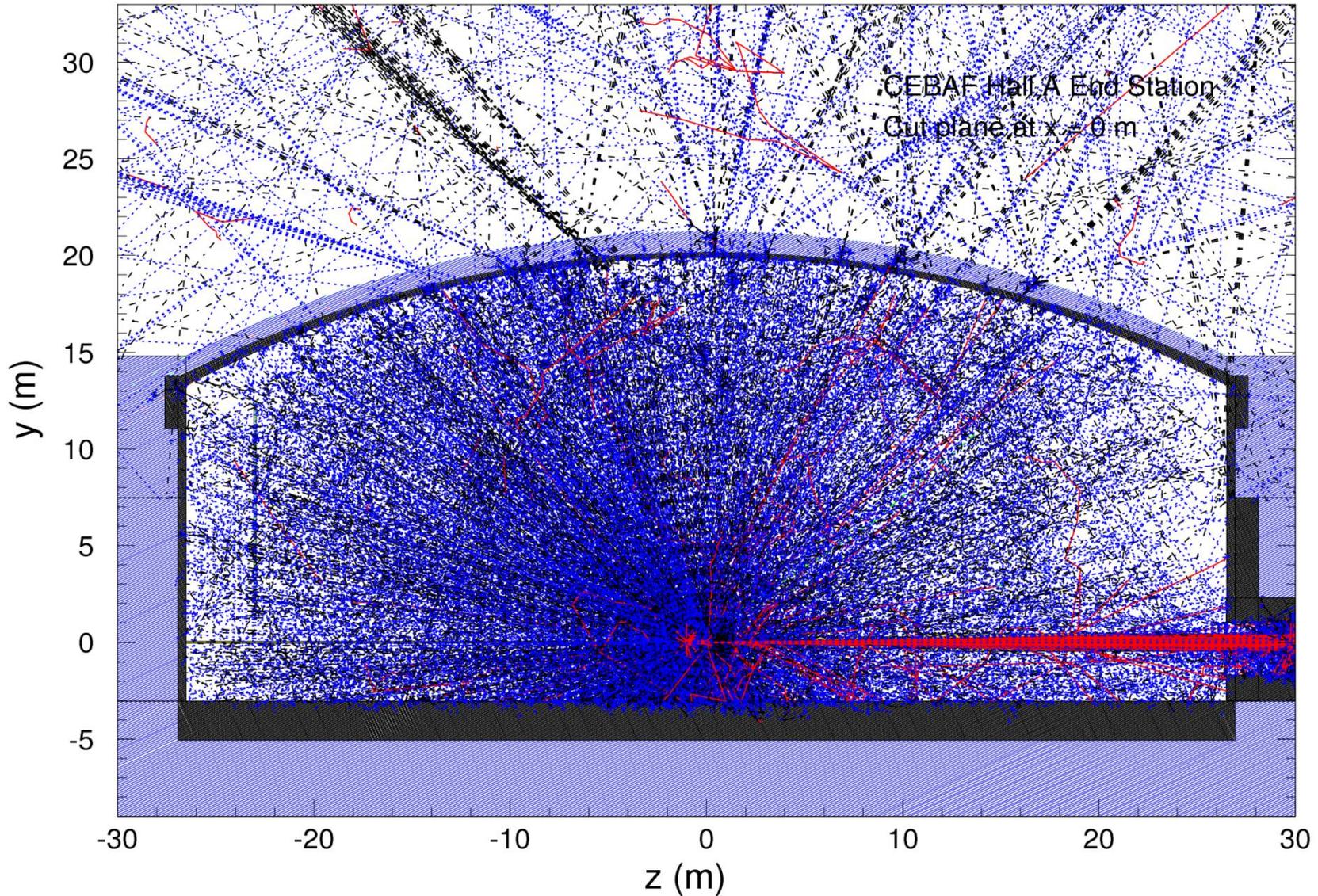
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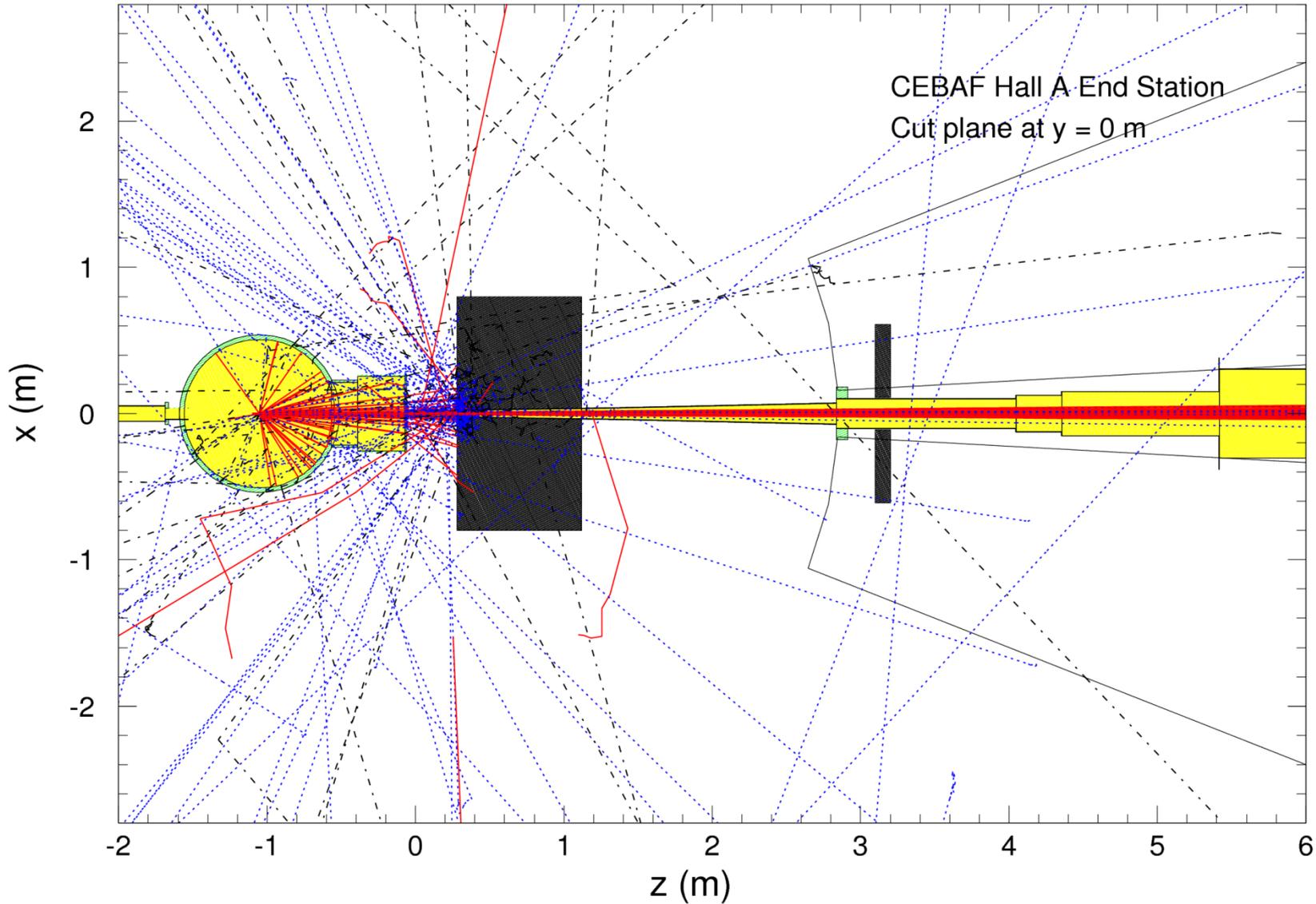
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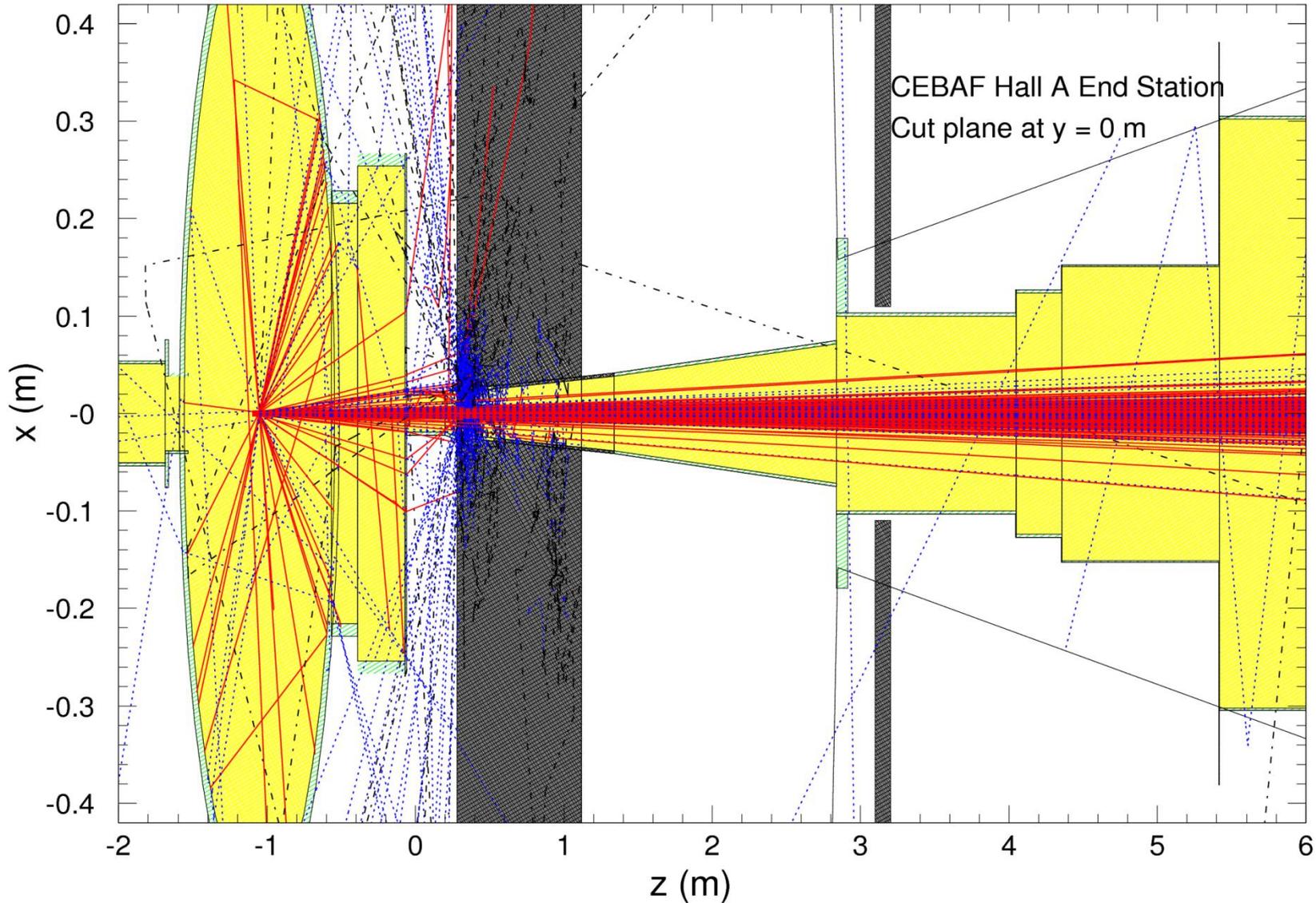
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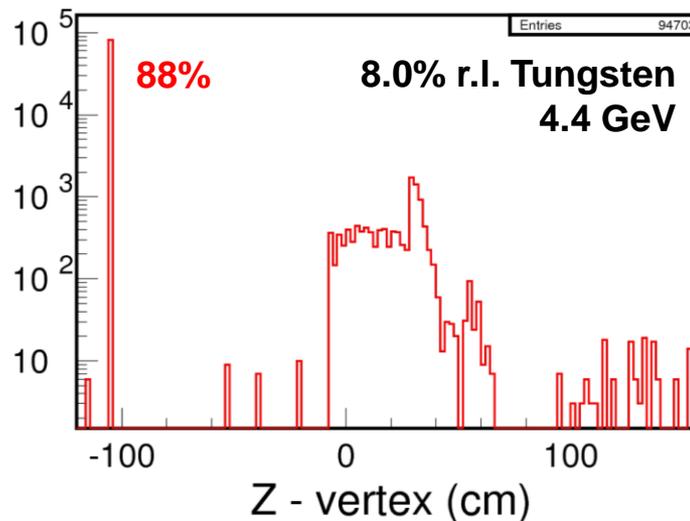
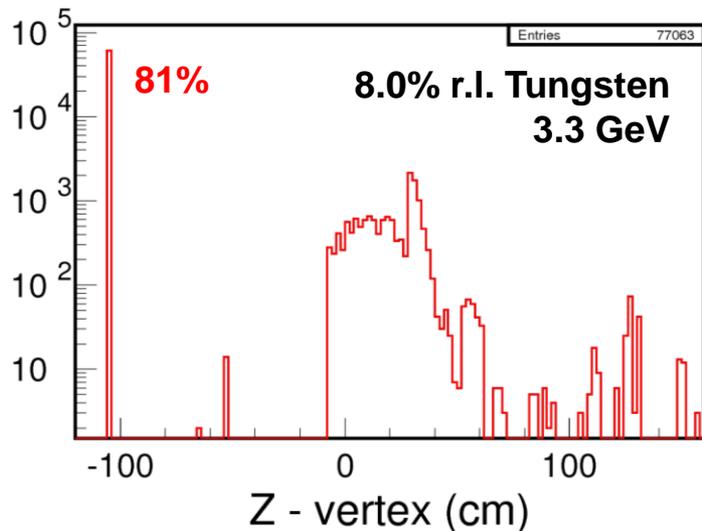
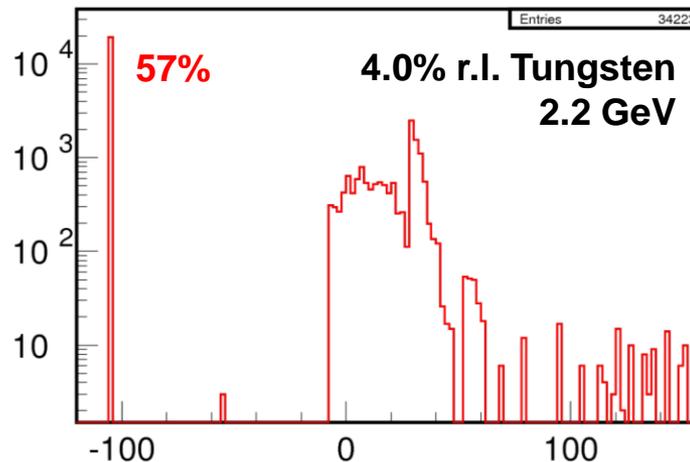
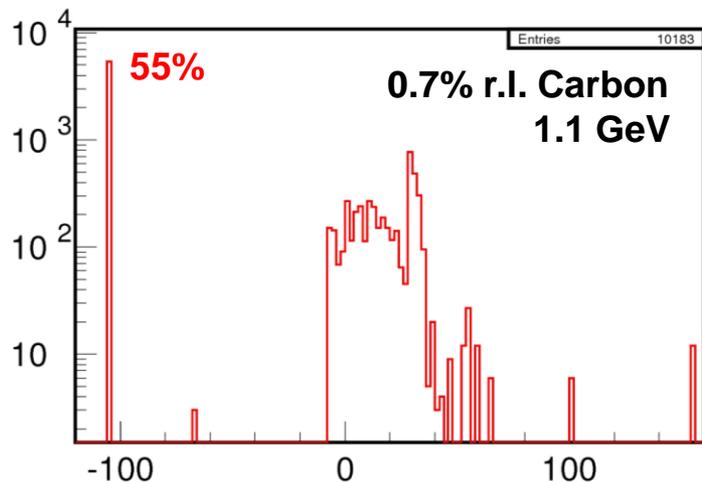


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## Vertex Distribution for Neutrons Exiting Roof



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	method 2	urem/hr	<b>0.31</b>	<b>1.98</b>	<b>7.46</b>	<b>6.51</b>

**ELEC5 Calculations**

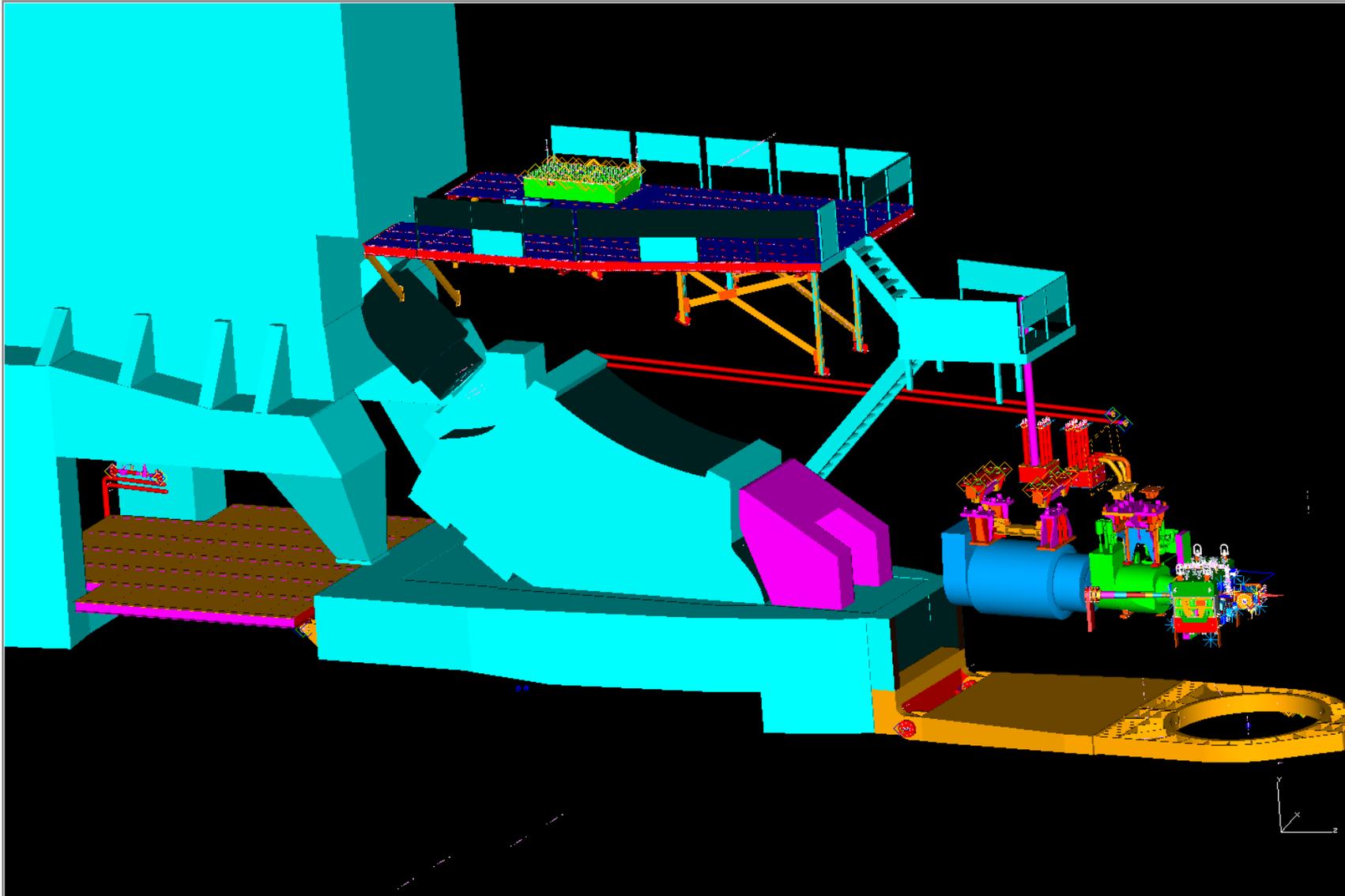
~20% of Yearly Rad.Budget

~33% of Yearly Rad.Budget

**Updated GEANT3/DINREG Calculations**

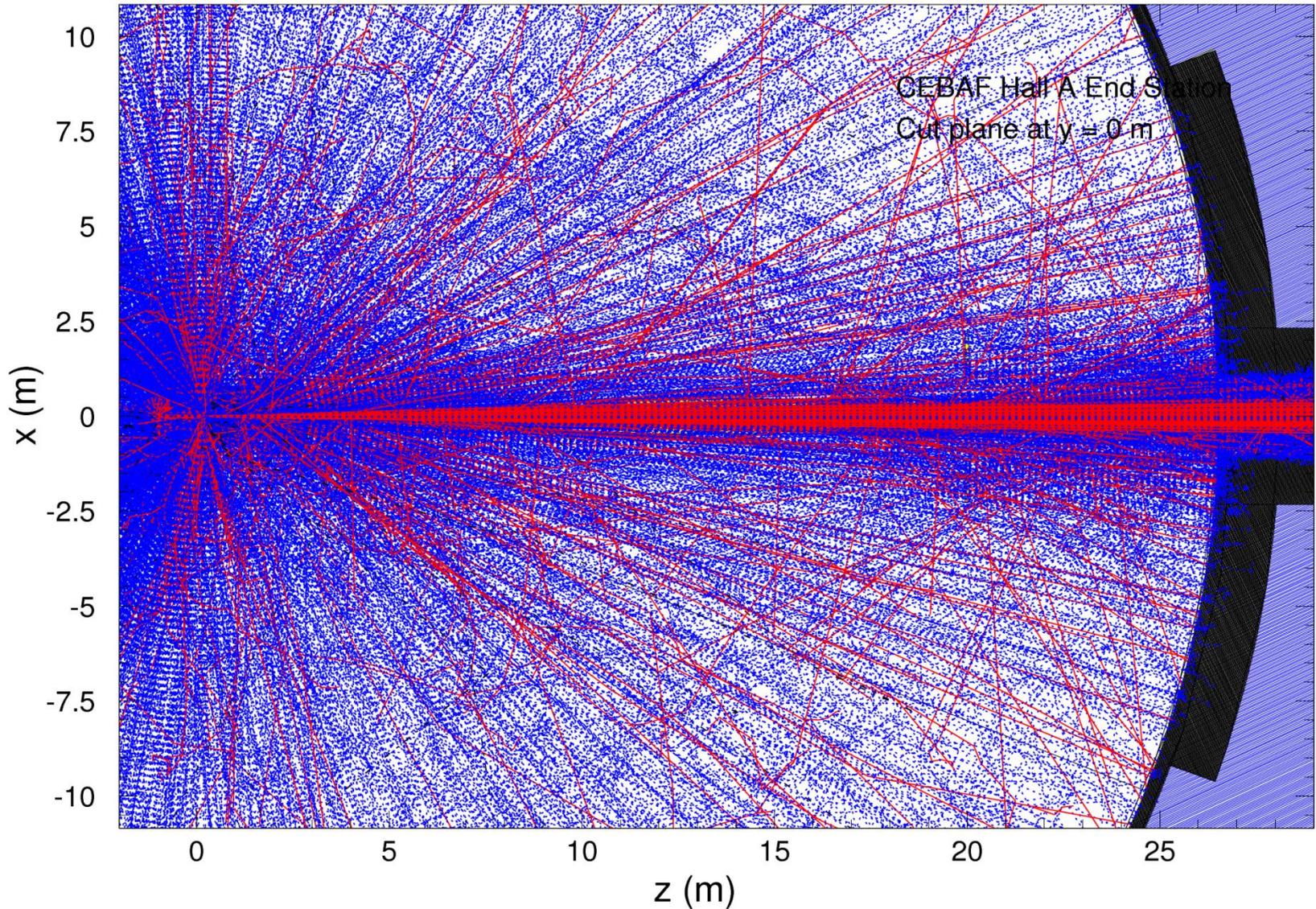
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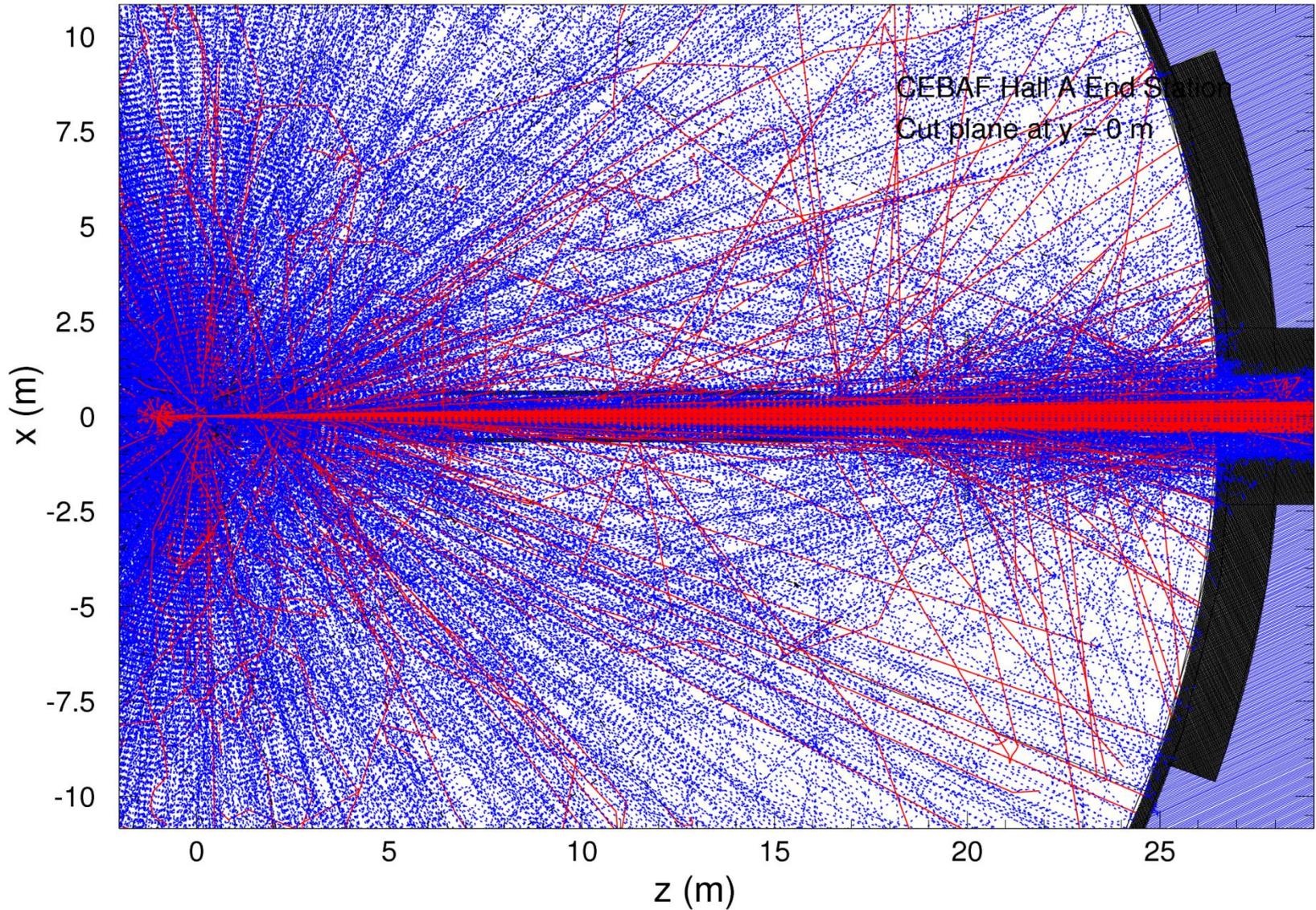


Beam

# APEX Radiation Backgrounds in the Hall



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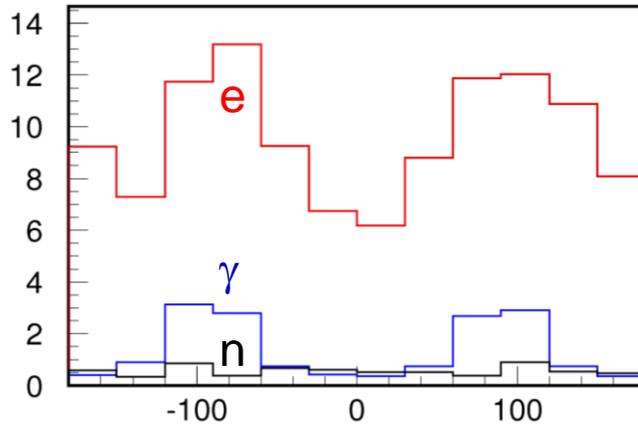
# APEX Dose Rates Downstream

Dose Rates Downstream around Beam Dumpline (R/h, rem/h)

Setup 1

Carbon  
0.7% r.l.  
300 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>

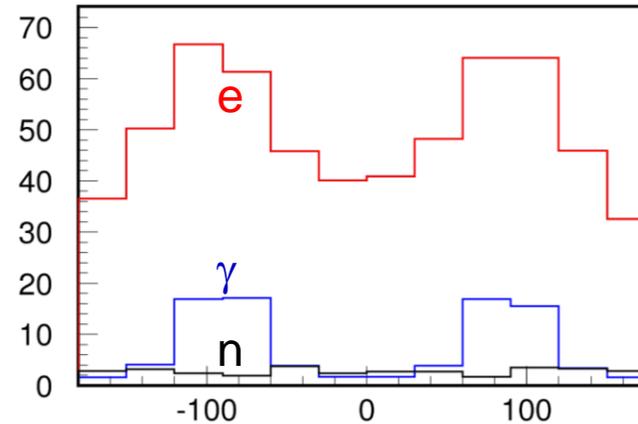
1.1 GeV  
50 μA



Setup 2

Tungsten  
4.0% r.l.  
270 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>

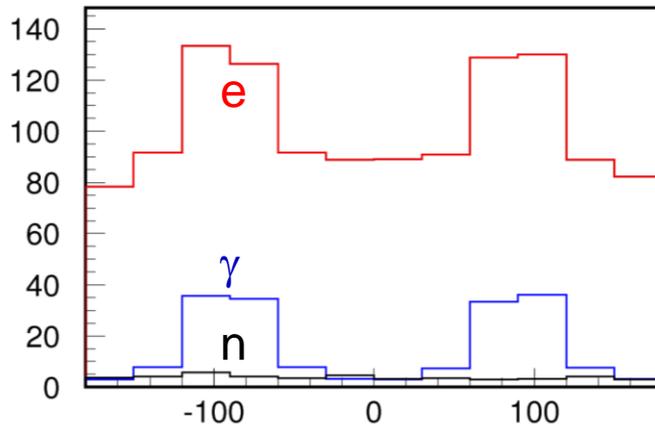
2.2 GeV  
70 μA



Setup 3

Tungsten  
8.0% r.l.  
540 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>

3.3 GeV  
80 μA

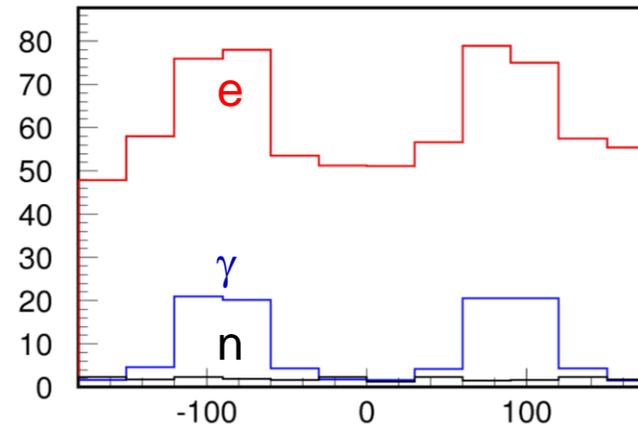


Azimuthal Angle (degrees)

Setup 4

Tungsten  
8.0% r.l.  
540 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>

4.4 GeV  
60 μA



Azimuthal Angle (degrees)

# APEX Radiation Evaluation Results

APEX E, Current GeV, $\mu$ A	Target $x_0$ , t % r.l., mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	Dose Rates: Upstream R/h, rem/h	Downstream in Shadow R/h, rem/h	Downstream no Shadow R/h, rem/h	CEBAF Boundary $\mu$ rem/h
1.1GeV, 50 $\mu$ A	Carbon 0.7% r.l. 300 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	e: 0.010 $\gamma$ : 0.030 n: 0.170	e: 7.50 $\gamma$ : 0.40 n: 0.52	e: 12.0 $\gamma$ : 2.8 n: 0.5	n+ $\gamma$ : 0.31
2.2GeV, 70 $\mu$ A	Tungsten 4.0% r.l. 270 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	e: 0.055 $\gamma$ : 0.138 n: 0.944	e: 37.5 $\gamma$ : 1.6 n: 2.6	e: 64.0 $\gamma$ : 16.5 n: 2.6	n+ $\gamma$ : 1.98
3.3GeV, 80 $\mu$ A	Tungsten 8.0% r.l. 540 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	e: 0.173 $\gamma$ : 0.350 n: 2.090	e: 90.5 $\gamma$ : 3.0 n: 3.7	e: 125.0 $\gamma$ : 34.0 n: 3.7	n+ $\gamma$ : 7.46
4.4GeV, 60 $\mu$ A	Tungsten 8.0% r.l. 540 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	e: 0.116 $\gamma$ : 0.230 n: 1.380	e: 50.0 $\gamma$ : 1.5 n: 1.9	e: 78.0 $\gamma$ : 20.0 n: 1.9	n+ $\gamma$ : 6.51

# Shielding Improvements (if Possible)

- Shadow shield from the target (90 degrees and back)
- Wider opening in the Septum magnet (at least vertically)
- Design critical opening aperture inside (~25 cm) the Septum magnet
- Shadow shield from the Septum exit to protect electronics downstream
- Shadow shield for the whole beam line to protect electronics downstream

# Conclusions

- ❑ Radiation environment for the APEX experiment was re-evaluated
- ❑ New estimates are obtained for the radiation produced at CEBAF boundary, as well as for the general radiation background in the Hall
- ❑ Boundary Radiation Budget for this experiment is expected to consume about 33% of the yearly allocation for JLab
- ❑ The proposed experimental configuration with the critical beam dumpline opening angle of  $\sim 0.91$  degrees seems to be close to optimal for this experiment, if the critical window is inside the Septum magnet
- ❑ Radiation dose rates in the Hall are expected to be severe, and shadow shielding configurations should be designed and installed to protect radiation-sensitive equipment
- ❑ The beam line exiting the Interaction Chamber, as well as the entrance aperture of the Septum magnet are expected to be activated during the experiment; measures should be provisioned to protect personnel during accesses.

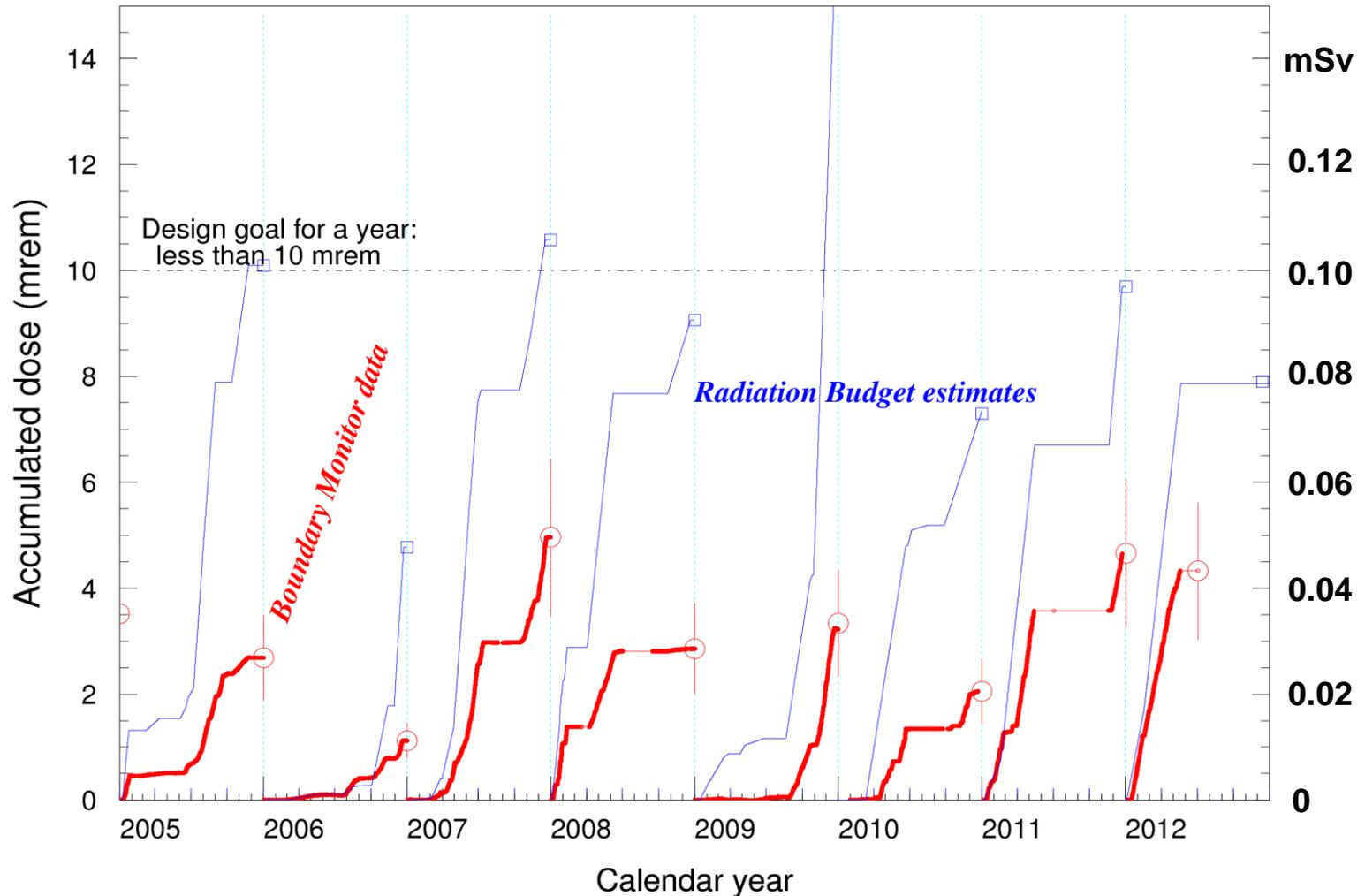
# Extra Slides

# Facility Design Guidelines: 10CFR835

- ❑ §835.1001 rule: maintain radiation exposure in controlled areas **ALARA** through **engineered** and administrative controls
  
- ❑ §835.1002 specifies objectives for facility design and modifications:
  - ❖ Use of optimization methods to achieve **ALARA** in developing and modification of **facility design** and physical controls
  - ❖ The design objective for controlling personnel exposure: keep the dose accumulation **ALARA**, and **below 1 rem in a year**
  - ❖ Avoid releases of **airborne radioactive material** to the workplace atmosphere under normal conditions
  - ❖ Include in the design, and in material selection, features that facilitate **operations**, **maintenance**, **decontamination**, and **decommissioning**

# Environmental Dose History 2005-2012

Yearly dose accumulation at JLab boundary



# Environmental Gamma Dose Rates

Environmental Spectroscopic  
High Pressure Ionization  
Chambers at the boundary:  
**RBM-3** and **RBM-6** sites

Difference

“Signal IC – Background IC”  
= SHPIC3 – SHPIC6

Same background subtraction  
technique applied as in the  
case for neutrons

Dose rates from operations  
visible at a level of few  
percent of natural background

Gamma contribution to the  
dose at the boundary:  $\approx 20\%$

Spectral HPIC Measurements: RBM3 - RBM6

