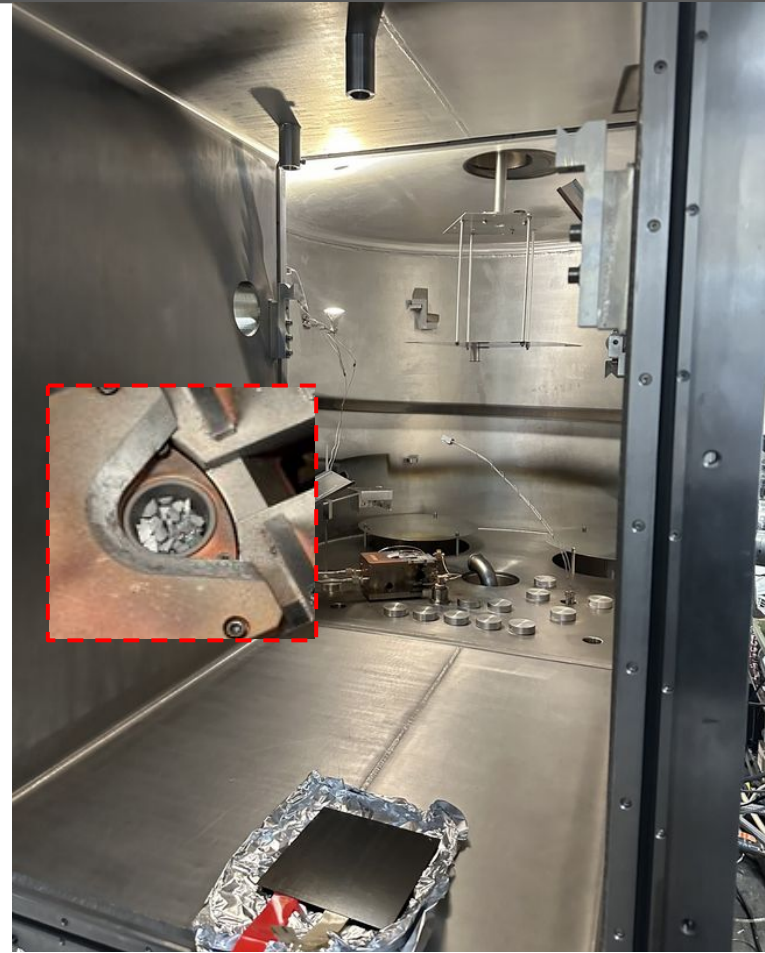


# Mirror Coating Updates

**Nov 19, 2023**

# Where are we? How ready are we?

- **Water cooling system Stability** ✓
  - 24 hour continuous operation
- **Vacuum quality** ✓
  - $3 \times 10^{-6}$  Torr (current configuration limit)
- **Tape stability** ✓
  - Stickiness and outgassing test
- **Rotation Motor** ✓
  - Continuous 1 hour operating  $\sim 1$  rev/s



# Documentation

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- **Coating Documentation:**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1qd2DJs3Ms1QuVJTnB4B2kjaaJST8t2qY7ZGq4mlvHr0/edit?usp=sharing>

- **Coating Plan:**

<https://elog.cfnssbu.physics.sunysb.edu/SoLID/17>

- **elog to keep track of the progress:**

<https://elog.cfnssbu.physics.sunysb.edu/SoLID/>

- **First coating preparation:**

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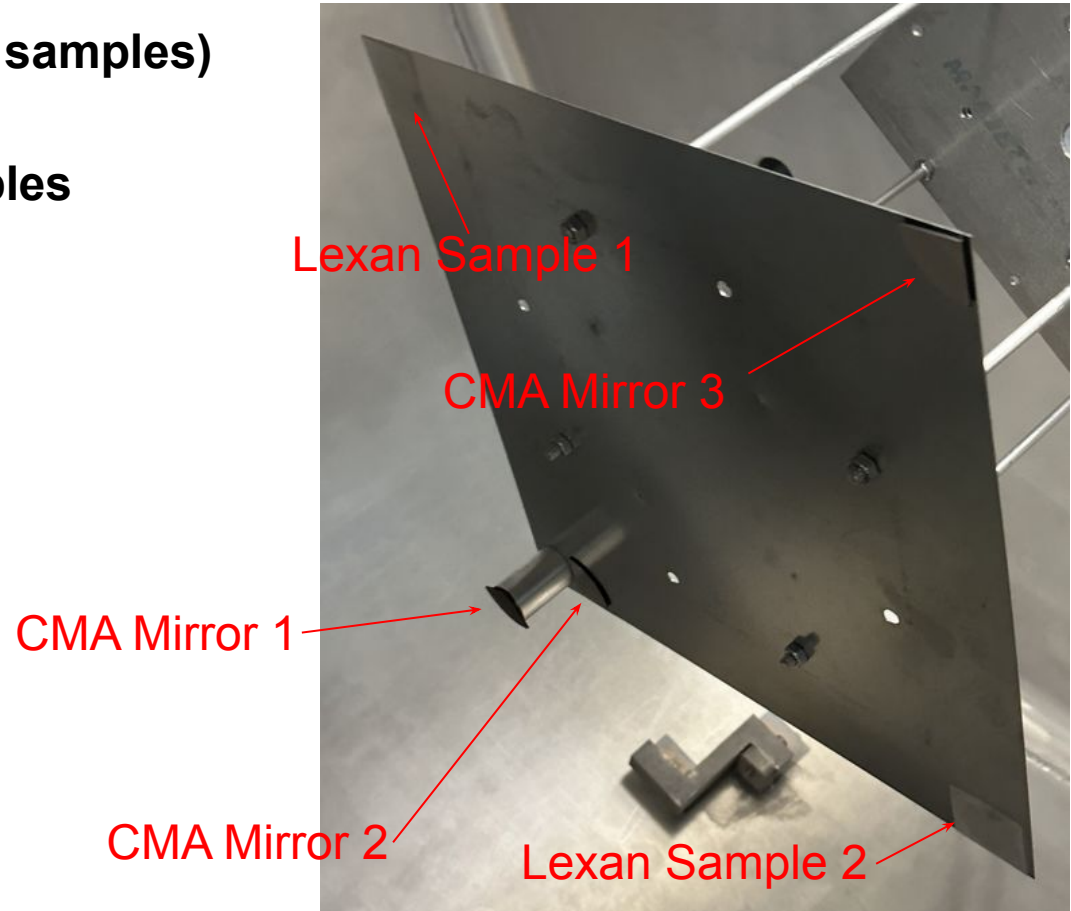
# Sincere Gratitudes for SPhenix Colleagues

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- To **Ross Corliss** and **Vassu Doomra** for their patience and guidance in preparing and setting up the evaporator.

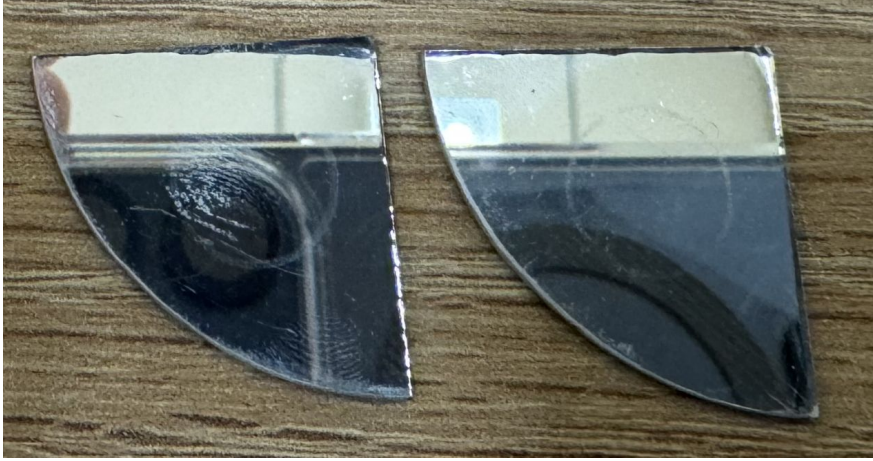
# What did we coat?

- Three CMA Mirrors (quarter samples)
- Two small Lexan 8010 samples



# First coating

CMA  
Mirror  
sample 2



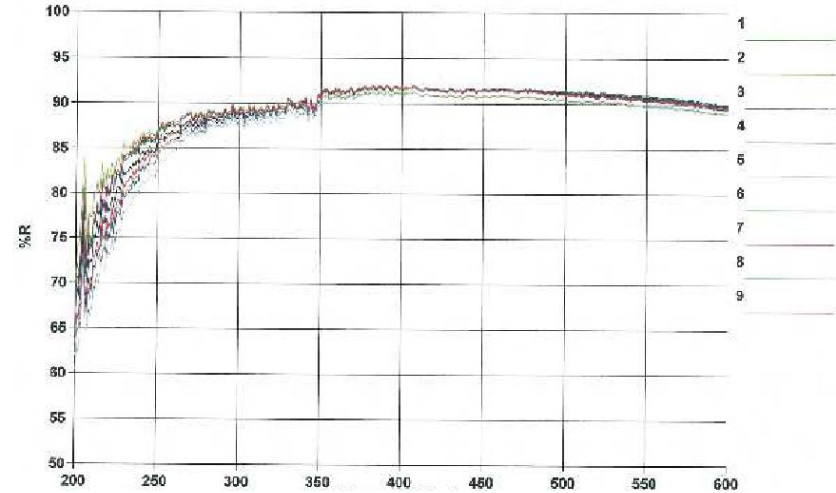
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# High quality reflectors



300  
HARRIS Spectrophotometer  
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- 1.5cm in diameter, Coated by ECI

# What did we learn?

- **We mis-understood our lexan sample all this time!**
  - Sample has a layer of coating above!
  - **Request to Andy: please remeasure the surface roughness after peeling off the coating**
  - Samples will be recoated
- **e-Gun operating at 6.6K, 180mA**
  - Coating rate is proportional to the loaded material mass
  - 1g (33%) of Al lost during the evaporation process
  - 3g Al is capable of supporting 50 min deposition operating

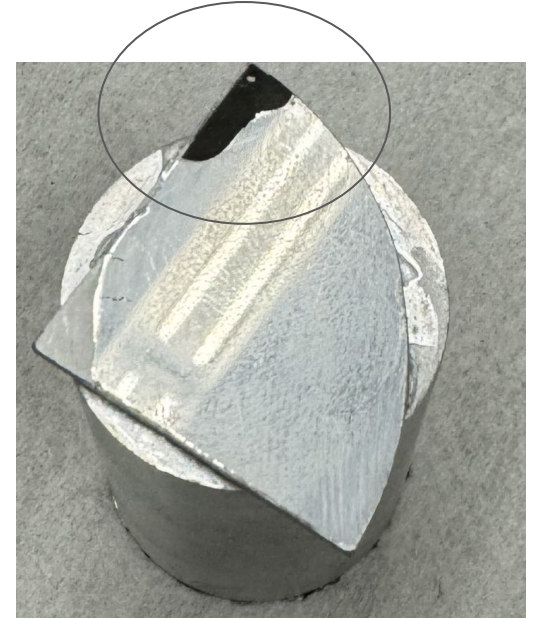




# What we don't understand

- Why did the CMA Mirror Sample 1 go bad?

Non reflective  
chipping



# Immediate Next Step

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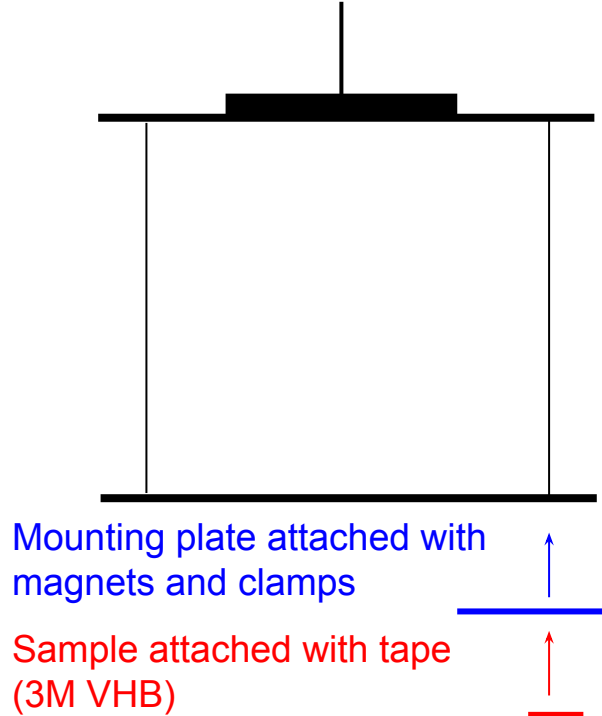
- **Initiate 2nd round of coating**
  - Coating Purdue mirror substrate samples
- **Luxan samples without the coating**
- **Introduce substrate cleaning process (partial implementation)**
  - Difficulty (requires resources to address):
    - No professional gloves, No professional lens paper, No lint-free cleaning fabric
    - No clean bench top for optics work
  - Improving the handling

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- **Easy mount/unmount scheme using magnet**

# An ungraded mounting scheme



Finger tighten fasteners

Metal wire-mesh to safeguarding the turbo and cryopumps

lint free knee pads (clean room)

Assisting guiding rail for large mirror installation



# Proposed Landscaping

#1 Water Chiller  
#2 Portable Clean Room  
#4 Rotational Stage  
#5 Dry box

**Evaporation  
Zone**

## Land Scaping for S103

#3 D2 Lamp

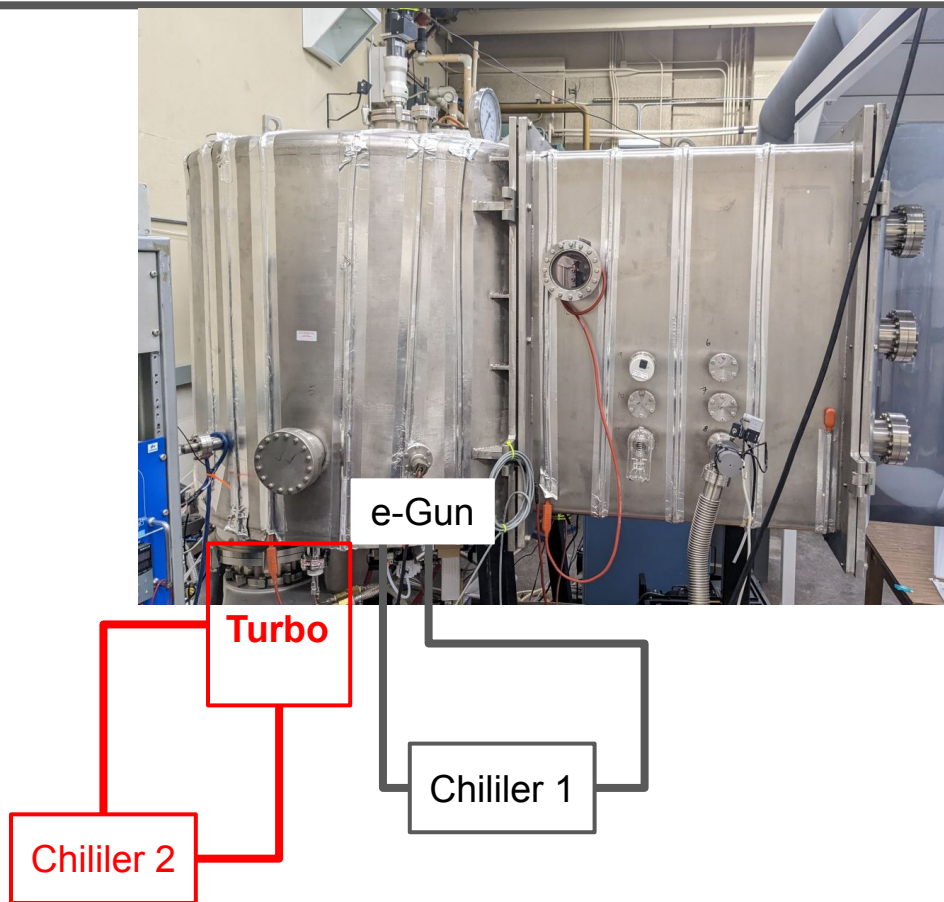
**Reflectivity Test  
and storage**

**Moller Clean Room  
(Can be utilized for  
mirror storage)**

(Existing)

#3 Shelf for Storage

# A New Water Chiller



- **Two Water chiller loops**
  - Loop 1 cools e-Gun
  - Loop 2 cools turbo
- **Currently, Loop 2 Chiller is broken**
  - Motor is burnt
  - under repair
- Can we evaporate without cooling the turbo?
  - **Yes. But we should never risk the turbo!!**
- **Recommendation:**
  - **We need a reliable water chiller (Item #1) immediately**
  - **Old repaired chiller will serve as a spare.**

# A Clean Space for Staging and Mount/Dismount Mirrors

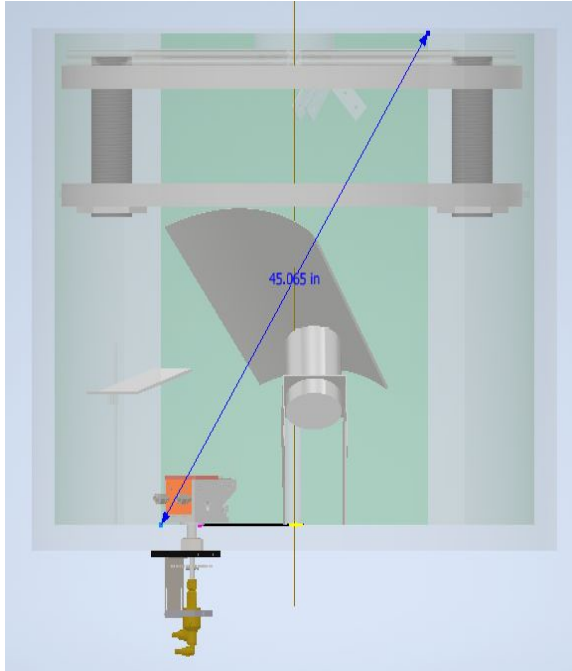


## Enclosed clear area (item #1)

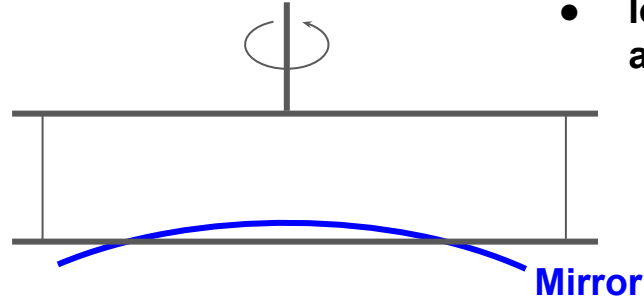
- **Mount/dismount mirror from mounting fixture before/after coating.**
  - On a stainless steel bench top.
- **Accessing to the dry box (item #6) for load to the e-gun.**
  - Minimize the exposure to the ambient dust and moisture



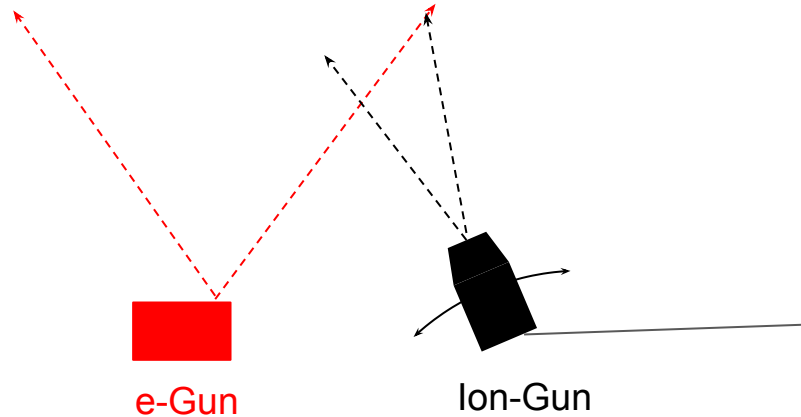
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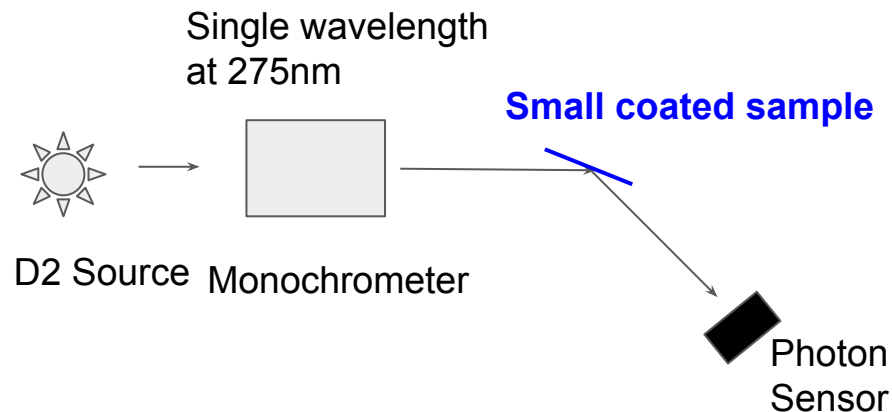
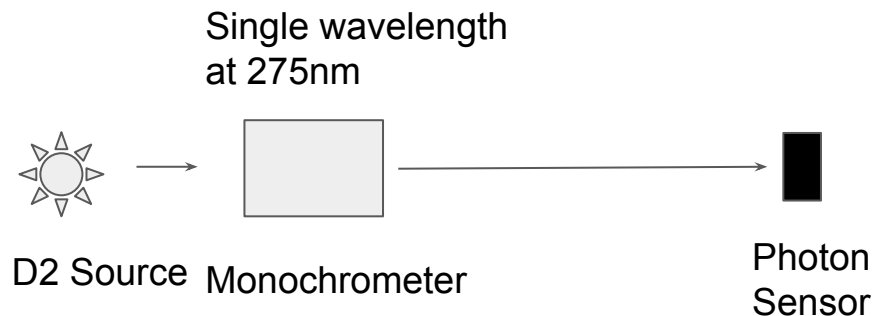
Rotating axel



- **Ion source required pitch adjustment under high vacuum**
  - A remote control vacuum compatible stage is a must for large size mirrors
  - Thanks to mirror rotation, yaw angle is not needed



# Quick validation of the coating



- A quick validation stand near the evaporator to validate the result at 275 nm wavelength
  - A significant time saver
  - A must have during the production
- **It doesn't replace the full characterization!**
  - **After the quick validation, the coated product will be sent to Bob and Grag for full characterization**
- **Only D2 source is missing**
  - Optical bench, darkbox, photon sensor and monochrometer will be SBU in kind contribution

# Final Remarks

Item Description	Specification	Cost Description
#1 Water Chiller	1HP, 6000 - 9000 BTU (cooling power)	\$4,000
#2 Portable Clean Room	(6' x 8'): \$10,000	\$10,000
#3 Shelf for Storage	For the mirror storage	\$600
#4 Rotational Stage	For mounting the Ionized Argon source	\$4,000
#5 D2 Lamp	Stabilized Deuterium UV Light Source (150-500nm)	\$3,500
#6 Dry box	Storing sensitive coating material: chromium, Al, crucible	\$1,200

- **Item #1,2 and 6 are needed ASAP for the prototyping**
- **Item 3, 4 and 5 are needed for the full production**

# The refurbishment is separate

- The refurbishment cost shouldn't be mixed for the production estimate
- The maintenance, consumable and one time setup numbers are estimated separately

	Proto-type	Final assembly	Notes
Maintenance cost	\$2,000	\$4,000	Maintaince cost for the final assembly is estimated assuming one pump failure/two mantainace services cost
Cosumable cost	\$800	\$4,800	Assuming 8-12 segments plus spares, x6 times of the prototype consumeble cost
Mounting fixture cost	\$2,000	N/A	Klaus: why not use the exisitng from SoLID?
Triangular rib mirror rob mater	\$900	\$3,600	
Machineshop cost cutting	\$500	\$2,000	
Attachment tape	\$200	\$600	
Total	\$6,400	\$15,000	

# Proposed Refurbishment Items

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# Immediate Next Step

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- **e-Gun**
  - **Voltage: 6.6 kV**
  - **Maximum current: 180 mA**

# Next Step

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- **First coating projected at Friday morning Nov 16th.**
- **Reflectivity measurement at BNL will follow.**
- **Tighten up the protocol on “clean” coating condition.**
  - We are coating in a dirty environment
  - Requested PED fund to help with this.
- **Practice and optimize the coating parameter**