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# WP 7 Sample Environment

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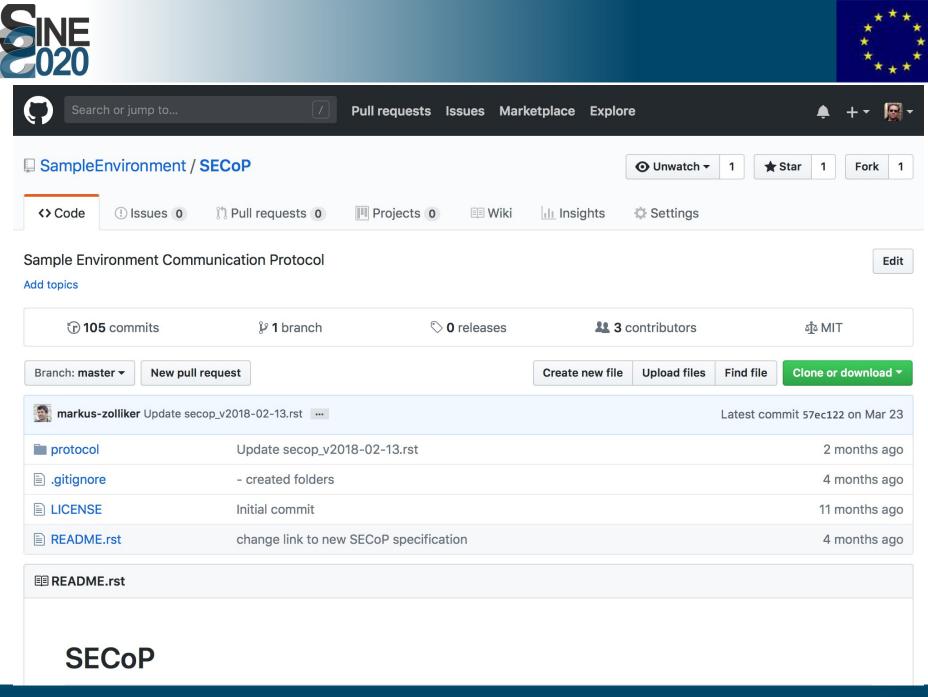
#### **Objectives**

- Establish standards to reduce development costs, strengthen relations with industry (7.1)
- Increase efficiency by reducing beam time losses and improving equipment (7.2),
- Open new fields of science by developing new equipment or extending physical parameters ranges (7.3 & 7.4)





- Sample Env. Communication Protocol: SECOP
  - 11 meetings, 2 more already scheduled
  - Version 1.0ß circulating and to be reviewed in Potsdam at the ISSE workshop (Sept. 2018)
  - Started discussions with industry (OINS, attocube)
  - Software engineer coding libraries at HZB to facilitate SECoP adoption (server completed)
  - MQTT implementation started at the ESS





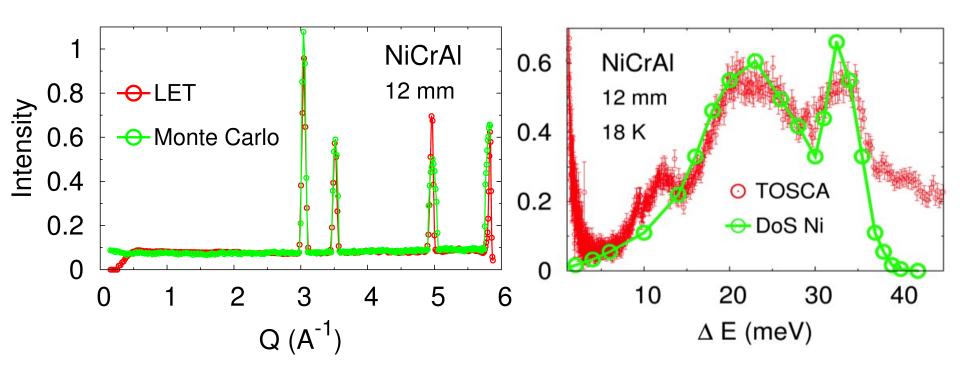


- Towards efficient Sample Env.: <u>Simulations</u>
  - ICMA is finalising a Union component of McStas taking into account diffuse, elastic/inelastic and coherent/incoh. scattering, microstructures, etc.
  - Input data being compiled from ISIS data for usual alloys: Al1050, Al7049A, CuBe2, NiCrAl, TiZr
  - Code benchmarked with ILL and ISIS data
  - Will soon allow the simulation of hybrid HP cells





NiCrAl alloy data fitted with model developed by ICMA for preparing simulations of double-layer high-pressure clamp cells





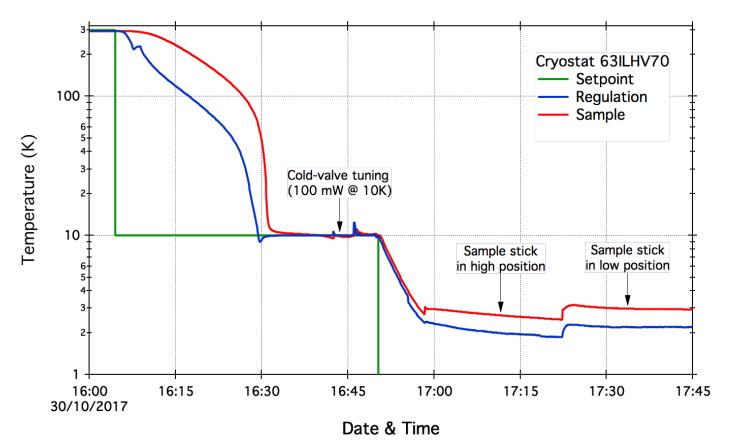


- Towards efficient Sample Env.: <u>Cryostats</u>
  - 3x faster temperature changes (up and down) in wet cryostats at ILL
  - Technical transfer to **AS Scientific Ltd** done (UK)
  - 30% less background produced by vanadium cryofurnaces
  - 5x less background at low-Q in TOF cryostat





Measurement of the cool-down time, the base temperature and the gradient of temperature in different/thinner calorimeters at ILL





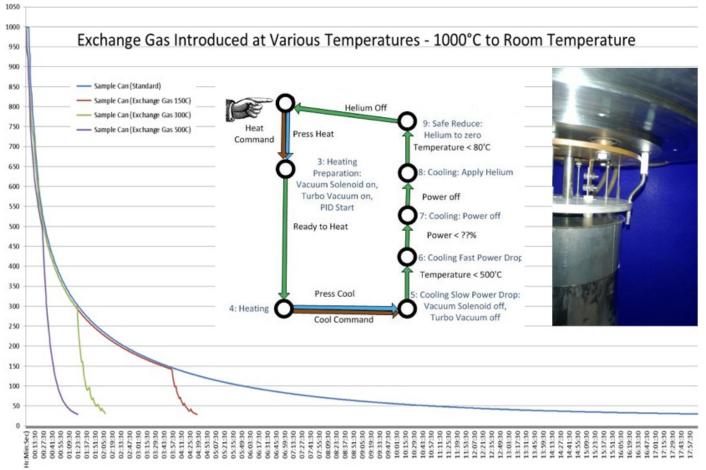


- Towards efficient Sample Env.: <u>Furnaces</u>
  - +4x faster cool-downs in resistive furnaces achieved at ISIS with 2 L/min He flow (1000 to 150°C in less than 45')
  - +4x faster cool-down in resistive furnaces at ILL with 1 L/min He flow
  - Full automation being developed at ISIS & ILL
  - Technical transfer to **AS Scientific** envisaged (UK)





Fast cooling tests in resistive furnaces at ISIS





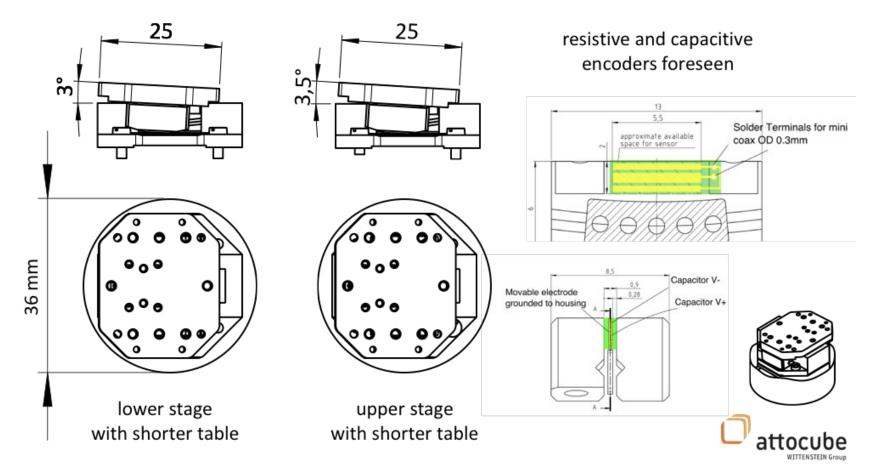


- Towards efficient Sample Env.: <u>Goniometers</u>
  - Ultra-low temperature goniometer specifications defined from survey involving all partners (Ø36!)
  - Concept design agreed (amongst the 3 proposed)
  - Prototype in development phase at PSI
  - On-going discussions with attocube toward a potential industrialisation of the goniometer





Ultra-low temperature goniometer designed by attocube, PSI & ILL



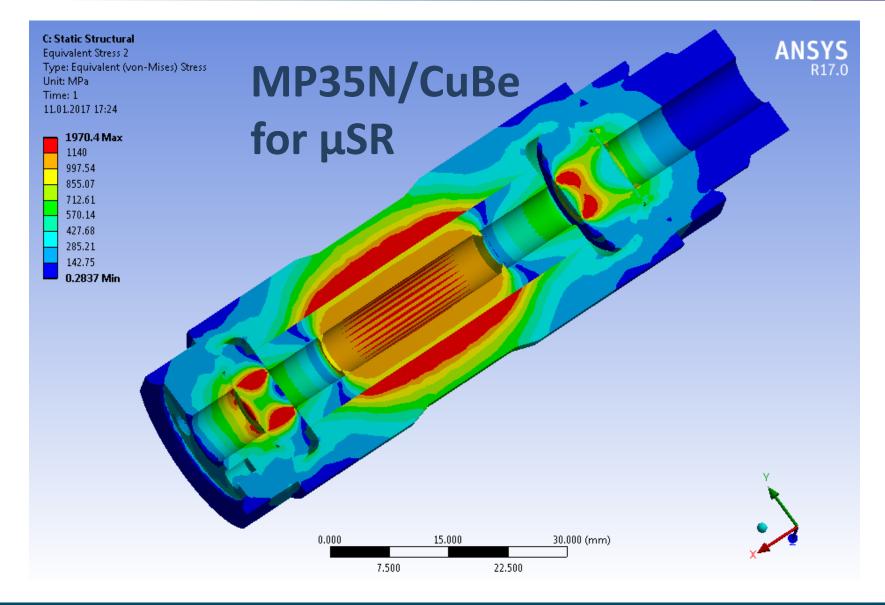




- Next-generation HP cells for NS & <u>μSR</u>
  - Kick-off meeting gathering μSR, NS and HP experts at PSI in January 2016
  - CSEC high-pressure expertise transferred to PSI
  - Multi-layer concept design adopted for µSR clamp
  - x1.5 gain factor established with 2.6 GPa μSR cell
  - ANSYS FEA optimisation developed at PSI
  - Concept designed applied to neutron clamp cell



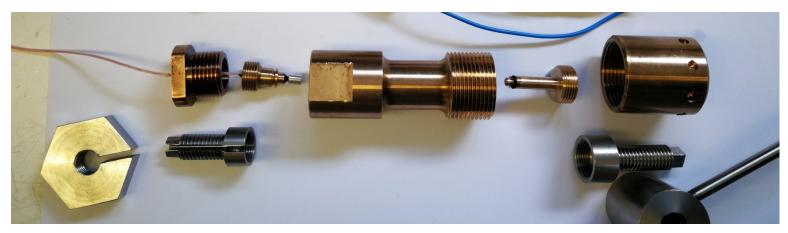








- Next-generation HP cells for <u>NS</u> & μSR
  - Measurements performed at ISIS on different instruments to identify best materials
  - ILL clamp cell modified to host new CSEC plug for in-situ pressure measurements







- Next-generation HP cells for <u>NS</u> & μSR
  - Tests experiments performed by IMPMC at ILL with <u>Paris-Edinburgh cell</u> have identified solutions for improving the signal to background ratio.
  - Meeting held at ISIS with PSI and HP experts concludes that it is not feasible to build an efficient anvil cell for existing µSR instruments.
  - D7.16 is therefore not realistic but μSR team has determined how to do HP experiments at ISIS.

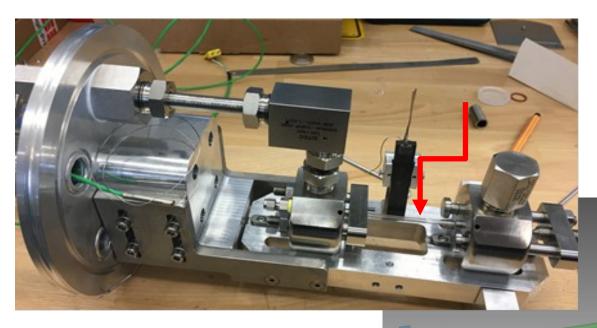




- Next-generation HP cells for <u>NS</u> & μSR
  - Review of the 700 bar H2 container used at X-ray facilities
  - Specifications refined with the help of highpressure experts and SE teams of neutron facilities
  - Concept design and engineering drawings produced by HZG and reviewed with partners
  - 700 bar H2 container built and tested at FRM II







700 bar hydrogen container for SANS built at HZG

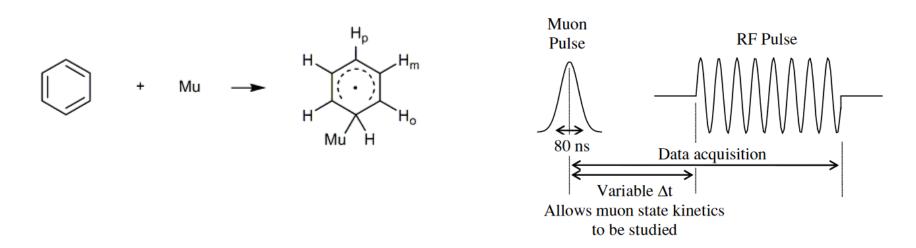
Ø1 mm capillary for SANS but much larger diameter required for DIF and INS





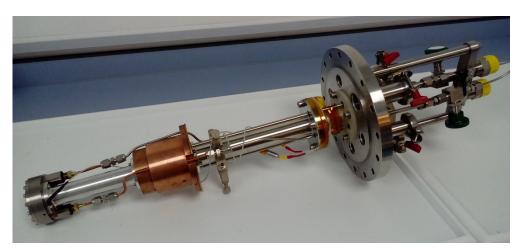


- In-situ muonium studies for μSR
  - Cryostat, cell, rig for deoxygenating liquid samples commissioned, prototype birdcage RF coil tested
  - Remains to improve sample stability

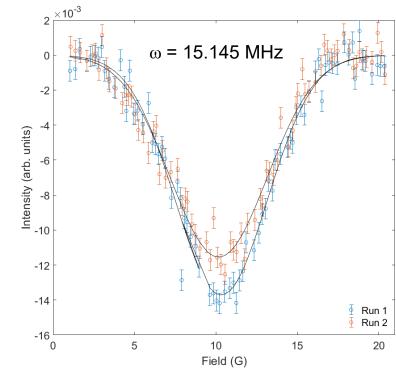








Successful test with water, but in-situ degassing setup needs improvement!







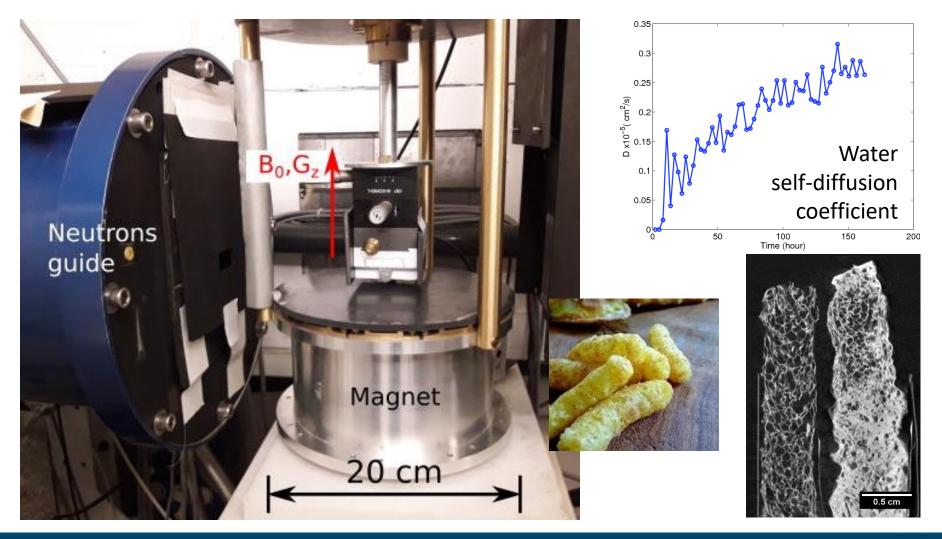


- In-situ NMR for neutron scattering
  - NMR probe head designed and commissioned successfully on food science case
  - In-situ setup tested successfully at LLB on PRAXY (SANS) and IMAGINE (tomograph) instruments













# Impact / KPIs

- Contacted companies are keen to adopt SECoP international standard if APIs supplied
- 1.5x better HP cells, +4x faster furnaces,
  3x faster cryostats, 1.5 to 5x lower background cryostats, new in-situ techniques for NS & μSR
- AS Scientific Ltd has started upgrading cryostats of neutron facilities
- 5 peer-reviewed publications, more soon...





# Many thanks to all WP7 participants for their efforts

# ...and to you for your attention