

MULTIPLY-ESA HRSL status of development and implementation

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Project overview

Objective :
Development of a novel multi-wavelength HSRL system (3b + 3a + 3d) for both ground based (phase 1) and airborne operation (phase 2: after-2024)

Target of the HSRL: better than EarthCARE specifications

Main features

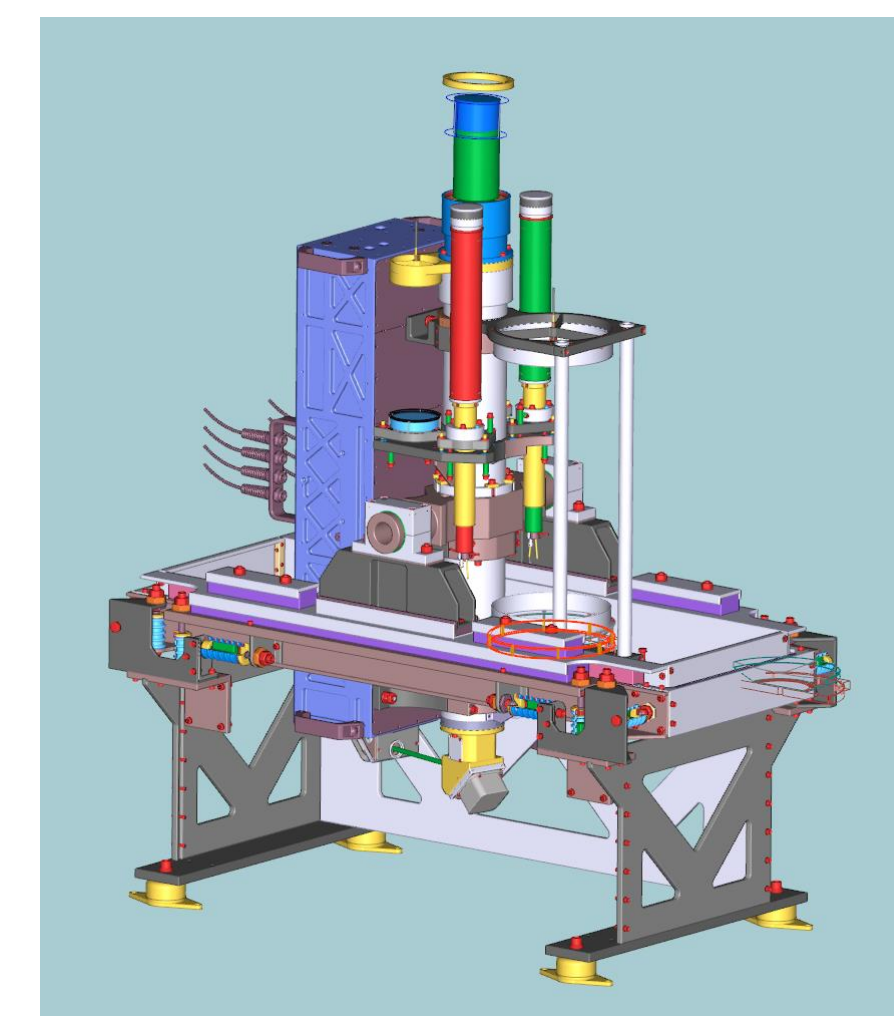
- 3β + 3α + 3d
- Fabry-Pérot Interferometers for HSR filtering at 355 and 1064 nm – based on pressure adjustment for tuning the alignment
- Iodine filtering technique at 532 nm
- Low laser pulse energy (to conform the eye-safety requirements)
- High laser frequency rate
- Decoupling spectral separation unit (interferometers, iodine filter) from telescope with optical fibers (to allow better mechanical stability)
- Extra telescopes for polarization channels
- Additional "near"-range telescope (to extend dynamic range)

System specifications

- Laser: Mephisto Q Nd:YAG DPSSL
- Emission wavelegnths: 355nm, 532nm, 1064nm
- Target energy @ 355nm: 2mJ @ 1064nm, 1.5mJ @ 532nm, 1.5mJ @ 355nm
- Repetition rate: 4 kHz
- Frequency: locking Iodine vapour cell (line 1109, 532.26nm)
- Telescopes: 5
- Aerosol products: Backscatter, extinction, depolarization
- HSR filter at 532nm: Iodine vapour cell
- HSR filter at 355, 1064nm: Fabry-Pérot interferometers
- Depolarization separation: Wollaston prisms

Requirement	Data products (EarthCARE)	MULTIPLY target
Detectability threshold		
α (355nm)	0.05 (1/km)	0.02-0.05 (1/km)
β (355nm)	0.0008 (1/km/sr)	0.0003-0.0008 (1/km/sr)
AOD (355nm)	0.05	0.02-0.05
δ (355 nm)	N/A	0.02
Accuracy		
α (355nm)	10-15%	10-15%
β (355nm)	10-15%	10%
AOD (355nm)	10-15%	10%
δ (355 nm)	N/A	10%
Vertical resolution (m)		
α (355nm)	100-500	100
β (355nm)	100-500	7.5
AOD (355nm)	-	-
δ (355 nm)	NA	7.5
Horizontal resolution (m)		
α (355nm)	10000	5000-8000
β (355nm)	10000	500-800
AOD (355nm)	10000	5000-8000
δ (355 nm)	NA	500-800

HSRL CAD design@MPI



Structure of the instrument manufactured



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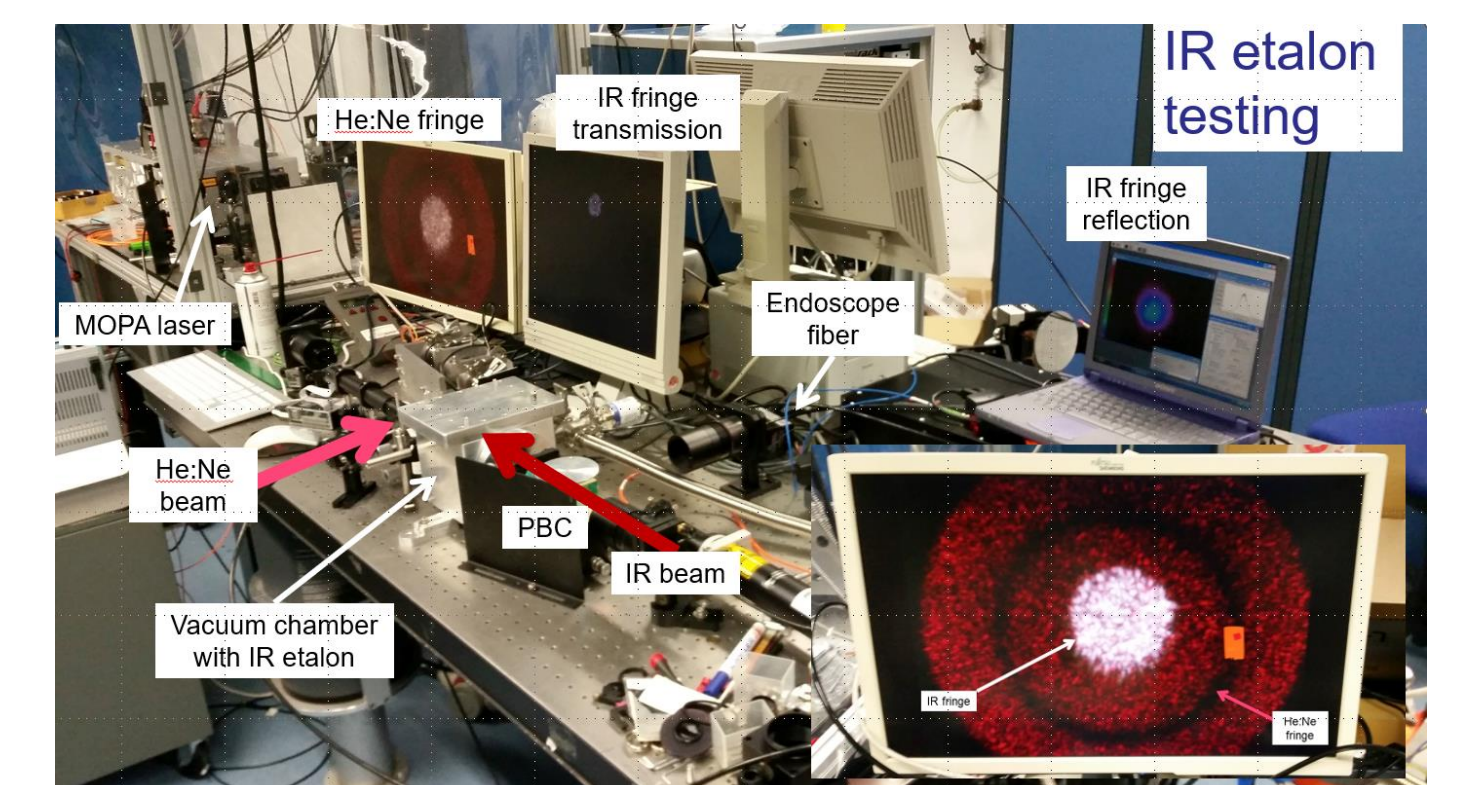
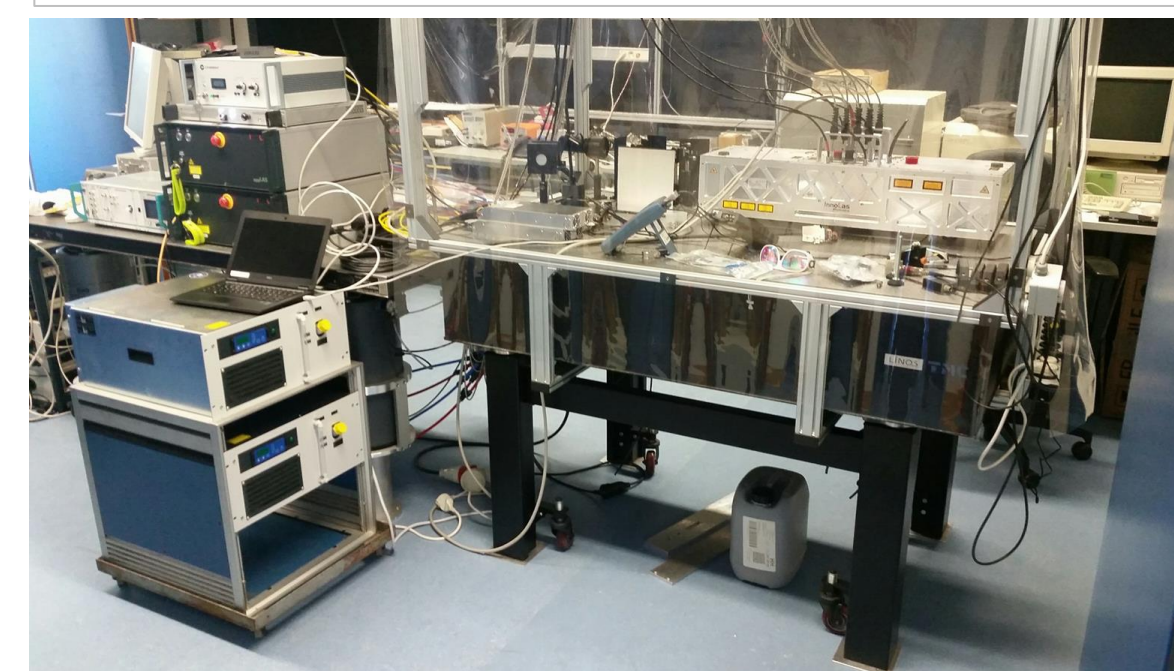
Detailed design report completed

- breadboard design: transmitter, HSRL receiver, vibration filtering module, data acquisition block and framing
- FPI etalons

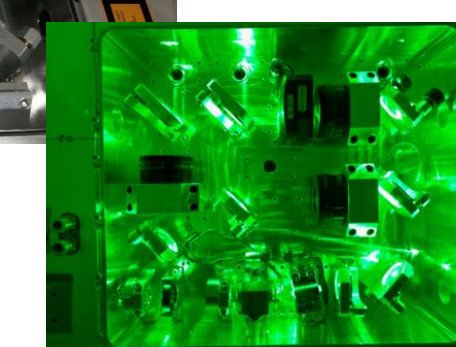
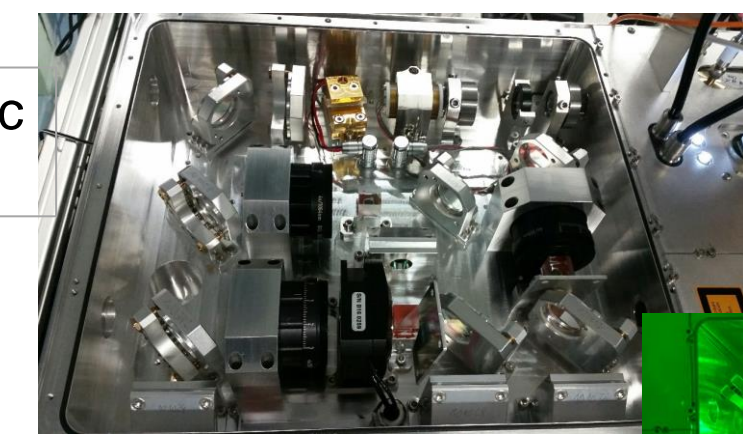
Manufactured

- First vacuum chamber (one channel)
- HSRL laser
- 8 FPI (4 UV; 4IR)
- Telescopes
- PMT unit parts
- Iodine filter for VIS HSRL
- Emission unit (beam expansion)
- Polarization channels
- Frame components

MOPA System including the Coherent Mephisto-Q Seed Laser at MPI during testing phase

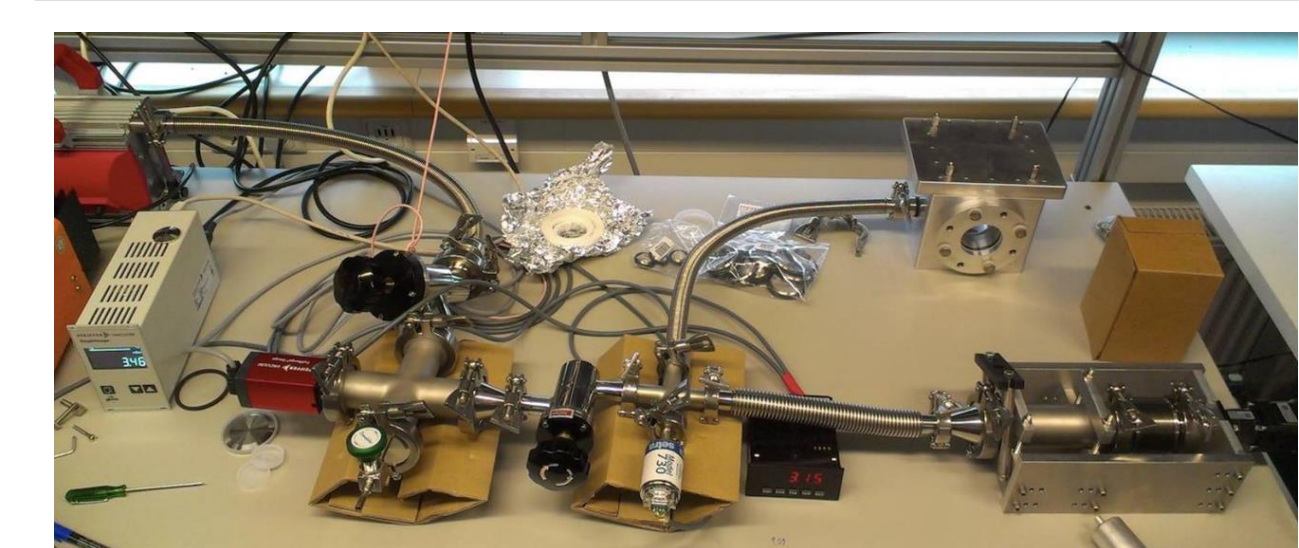


Laser harmonic compartment



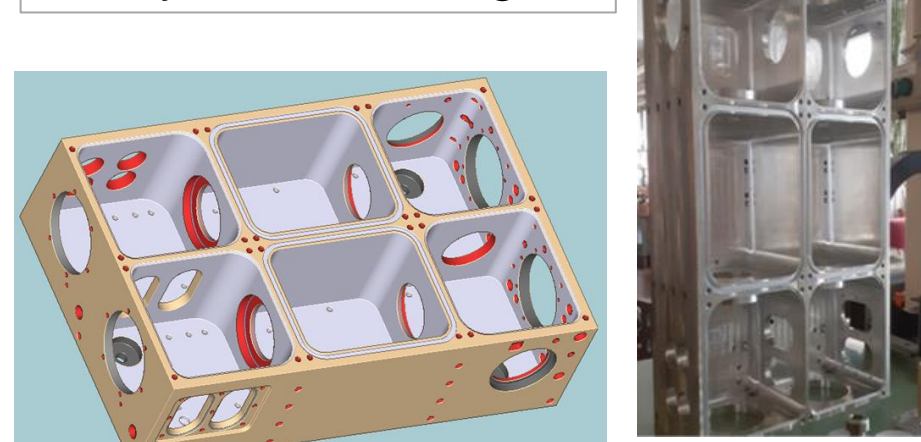
Vacuum chamber & control

- Low pressure to relax the constraint to control the temperature
- Compensation by piezo actuators
- Vacuum pumps + N₂ bottles at ground
- Small vacuum pumps, no gas bottles in the aircraft
- Individual control and valves for each vacuum chamber

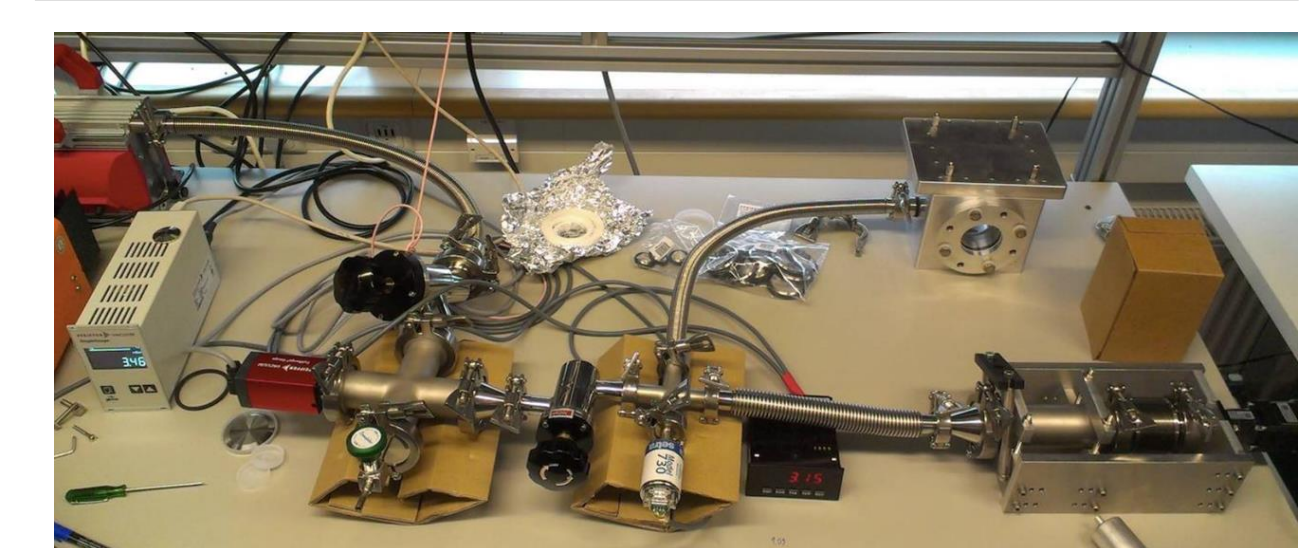
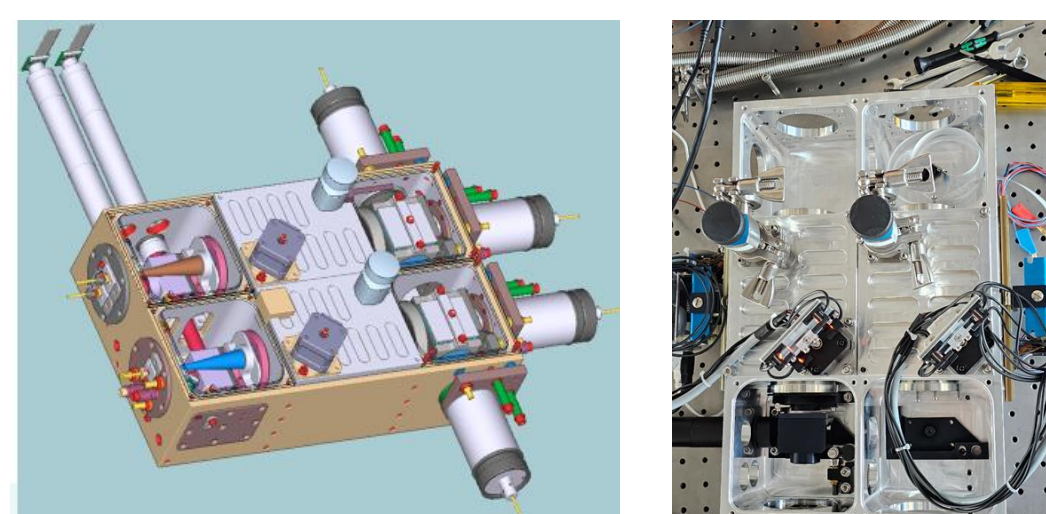


Vacuum control unit-for one FPI

One-channel HSRL-honeycomb housing



Detection unit – one channel



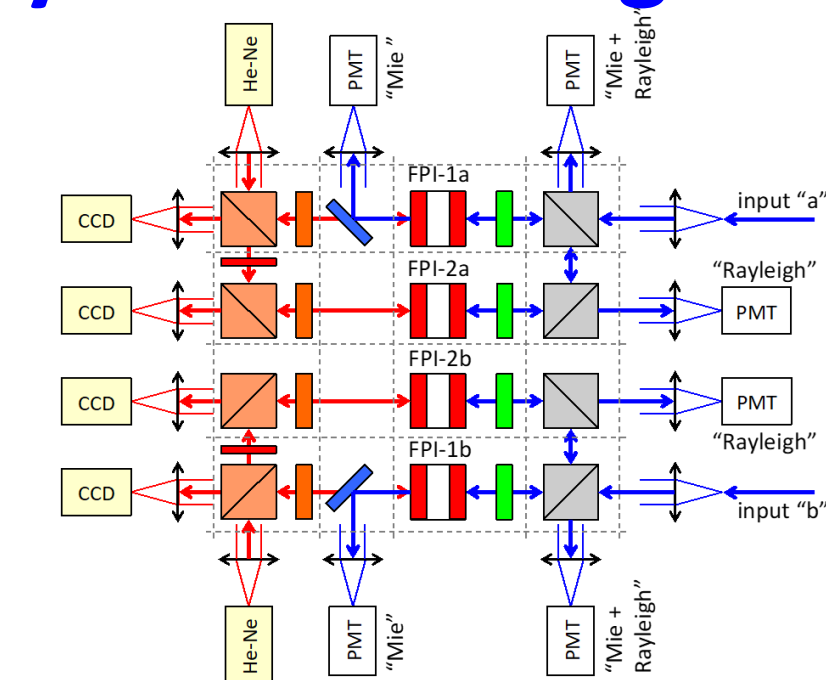
Some numbers from the lab

- 1064 FPI elastic suppression in molecular channel of 525 (two etalons) (800 required for aerosols* and 30000 for water clouds)
 - tests with frequency locking off – expect better results with frequency locking on – over 800
 - 355 FPI elastic suppression of 450 (two etalons) (300 required for water clouds*)
 - 532 iodine not tested yet but 60 required for aerosols* and 1500 for water clouds*)
- *to retrieve aerosol optical properties with 1% uncertainty

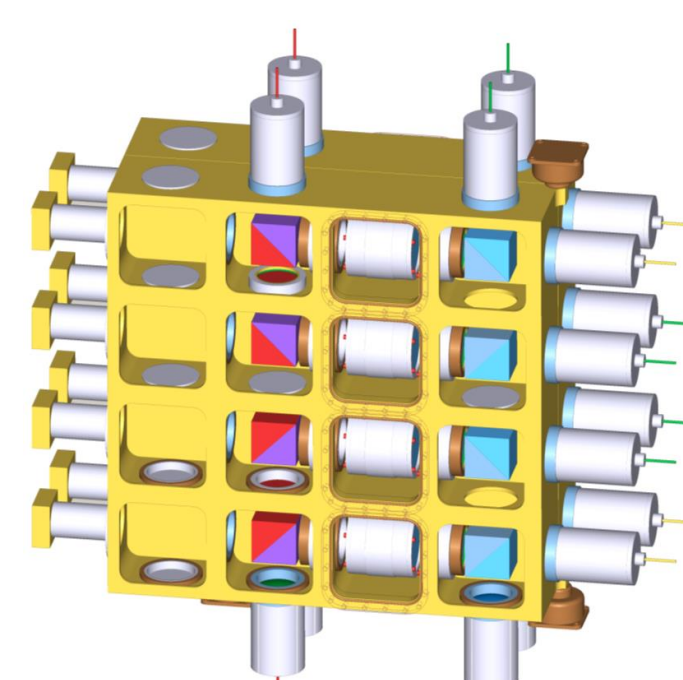
Project implementation plan

- One channel operational by end of 2023
 - night-time: background suppression not fully integrated (additional FPI)
- Fully operational on all channels by end of 2024 (ground based)
 - 3b + 3a + 3d
 - night-time and day-time
- Airborne integration by end of 2025

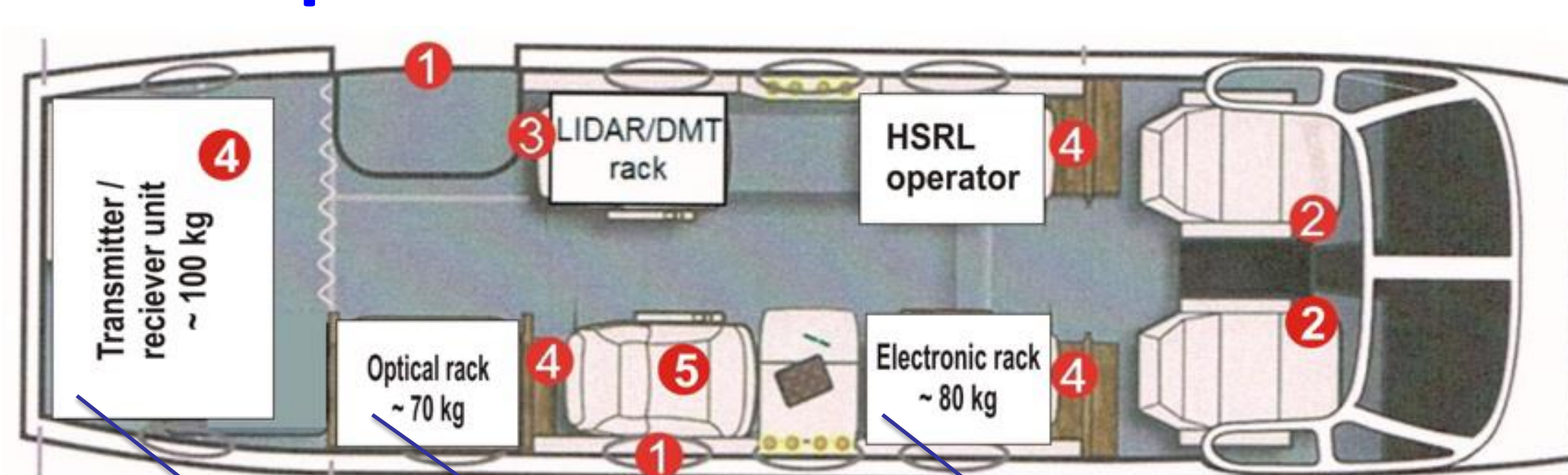
Honeycomb FPI design



2xFPIs per channel
2 Telescopes
2 Wavelength
1 Polarization
Total: 8 FPIs
matrix: 4x4x2
size: 488x484x216 mm
weight: 55 kg

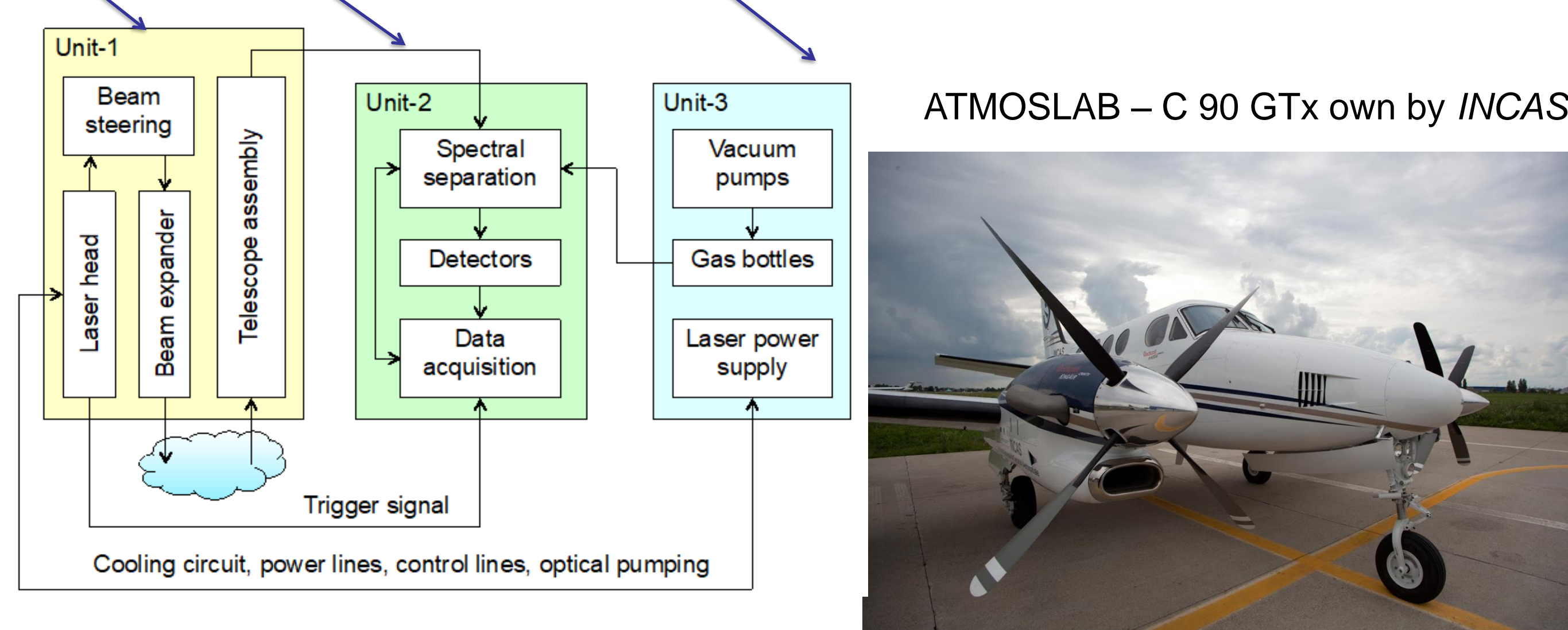


Airborne platform



Foreseen configuration of the ATMOSLAB aircraft

- inside view
- 1 - door
 - 2 - pilot seats
 - 3 - topographic lidar rack
 - 4 - HSRL modules
 - 5 - reserve seat



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