

Water Tests of Hg System

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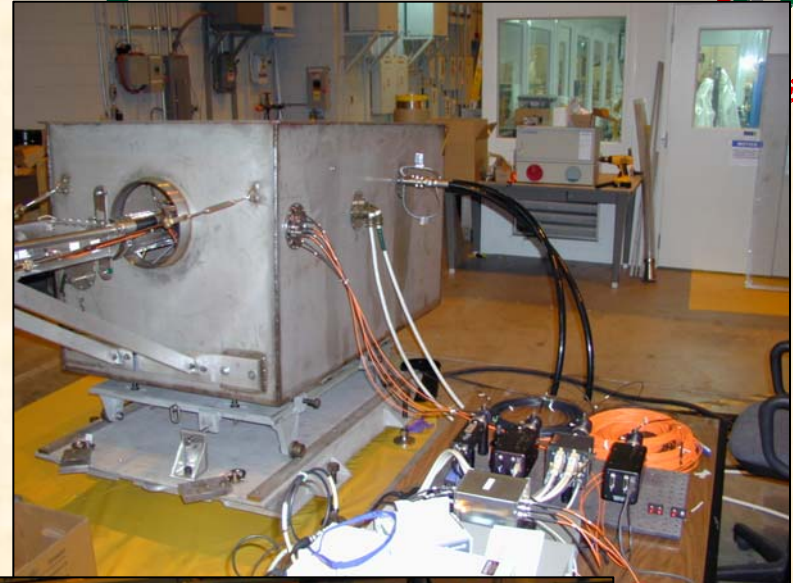
Muon Collaboration Friday Meeting

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System Assembly Nearly Complete



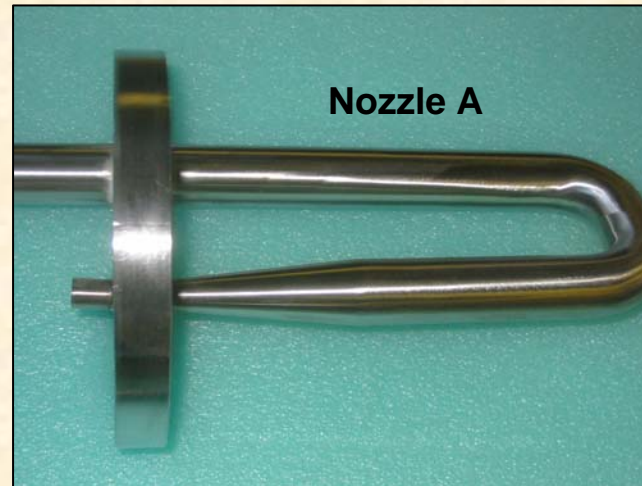
- **Primary containment completed**
 - Issues with piping resolved, final fit-up completed
- **All sensors and optical diagnostics installed and operational**
- **Final steps to assemble secondary containment underway**



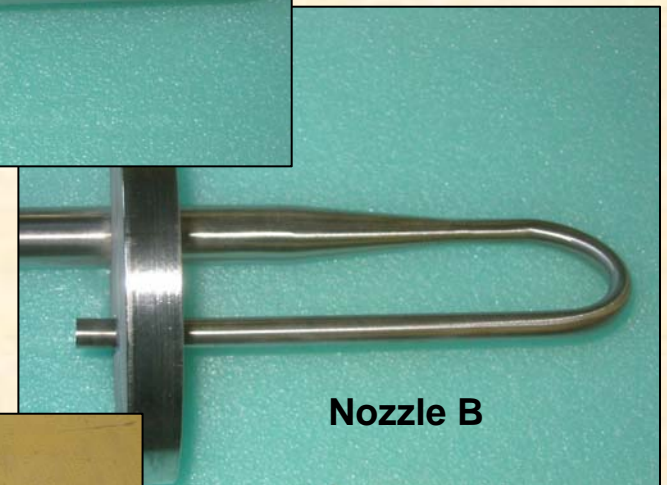
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SS Water Test Nozzles

- **Nozzle A** – diameter reduction after bend, 2.5° nozzle angle
- **Nozzle B** – reduction before bend, 2.5° nozzle angle
- **Nozzle C** – test nozzle with reduction after bend, straight nozzle tip, internally similar to nozzle A
- **Nozzle D** – nozzle A after reaming out the tip



Nozzle A



Nozzle B

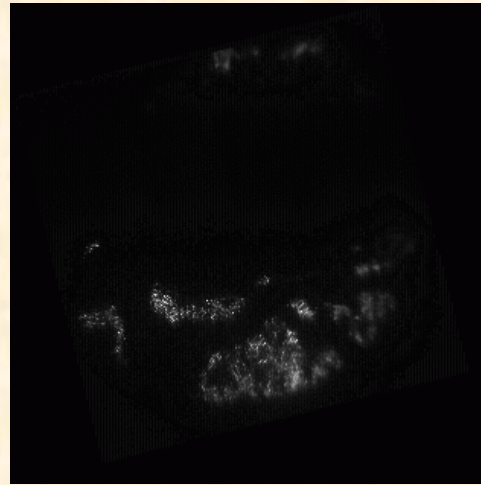


Nozzle C

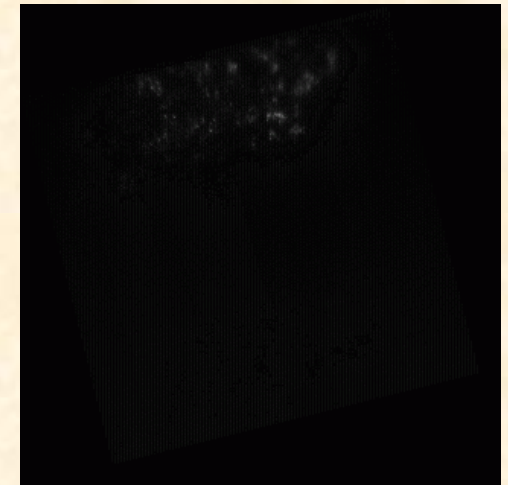
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Results

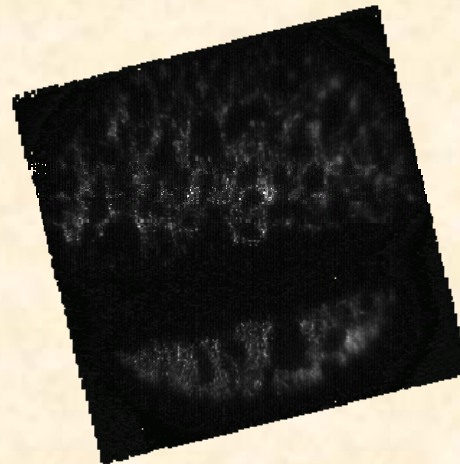
- **Nozzle B spray worse than Nozzle A**
 - Neither jet was acceptable
- **Definite increase in jet diameter at higher velocities**
- **Nozzle C gave best results**
- **Water droplets on windows was a problem**



Nozzle A, 20m/s



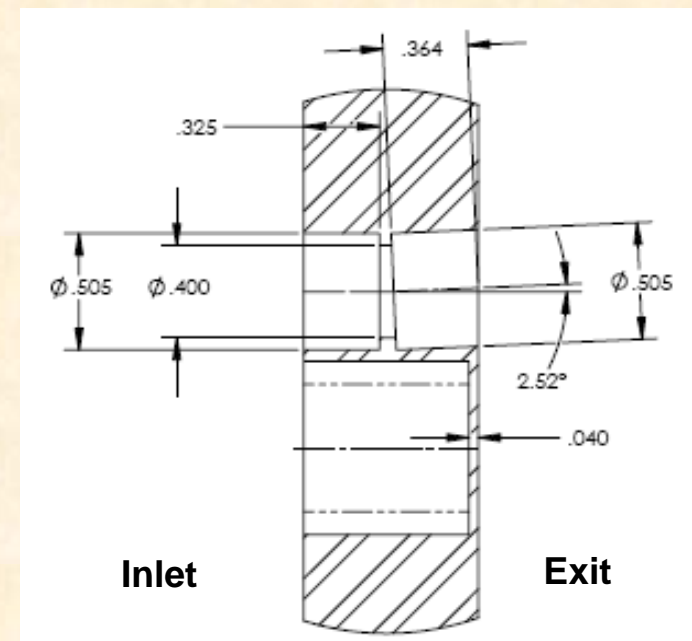
Nozzle B, 20m/s



Nozzle C, 20m/s

Nozzle Issues

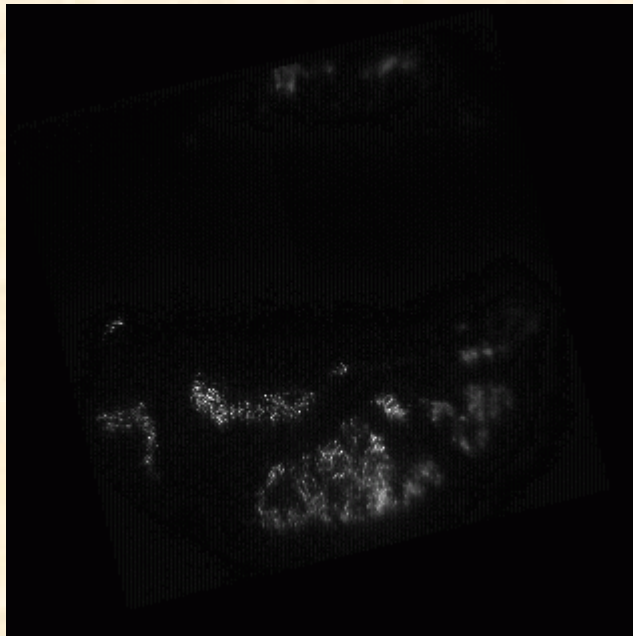
- **Flow path is a three-piece weldment**
 - Inlet tube
 - Nozzle flange
 - Short angled nozzle tip
- **Change in direction required for beam to miss piping geometry**
- **Smooth path requires constant ID**
- **Investigation revealed SS nozzles had step in flow path (flange thru hole smaller than tube IDs)**



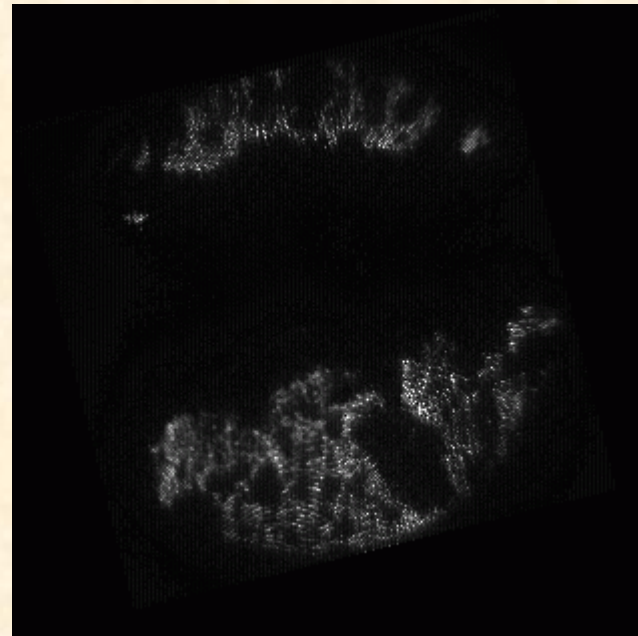
Dimensions in inches

Nozzle D Tested

- Nozzle A was manually modified using drill bits to provide nearly constant ID from flange to tip
- Tests showed definite improvement, but still not satisfactory
 - Field of view 5.5cm, so Nozzle D generates ~2cm jet



Nozzle A, 20m/s



Nozzle D, 20m/s

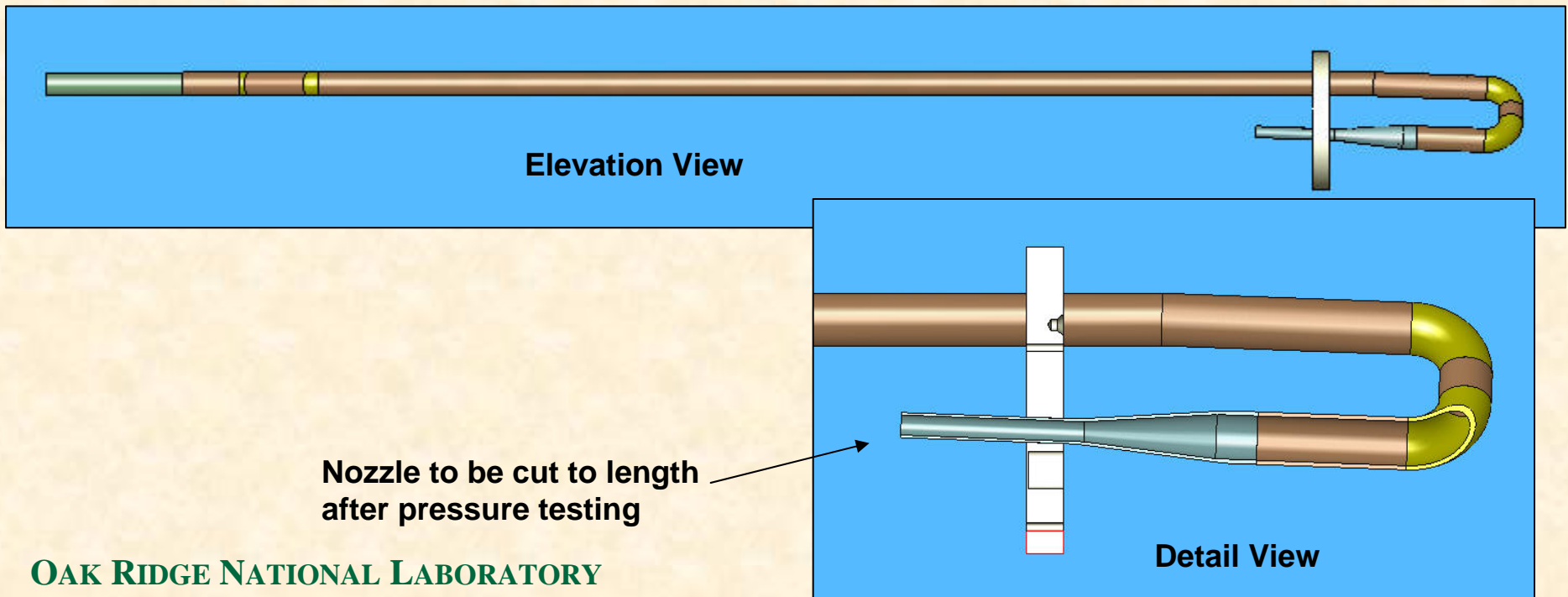


Path Forward

- **Water test results discussed among MERIT collaboration**
- **Best chance of success is to reproduce straight nozzle C**
 - Changing direction just before nozzle exit has not proven to provide satisfactory results
 - Piping still requires "kink" to avoid beam, but new design will move kink in front of 180deg bend
- **New nozzles will be fabricated with Ti, the actual design material**
 - Enough Ti on hand to produce two configurations
 - Machining and drawings ready for a Ti nozzle A
 - Developing models and drawings for a new nozzle E

Nozzle E configuration

- Straight flow path after 180deg bend
- "Kink" made prior to bend
- Nozzle angle and elevation being finalized
- Proceed with fabrication ASAP



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ORNL Readiness Review

- **Internal ORNL review held to determine if necessary steps are in place for mercury operations**
- **No issues noted as long as safety equipment is in place and operating procedures are followed**
- **MERIT collaboration discussing when to start Hg tests**
 - Use existing nozzles or wait for Ti versions
 - Syringe has never been Hg tested
 - Cannot switch back to water after Hg introduced
 - Have to consider waste issues



Current Status / Next Steps

- **Fabricate Ti nozzle(s) immediately**
- **Complete secondary containment**
 - Assemble and check for air leaks
 - Install Hg vapor filters
- **Clean inside of viewports before introduction of Hg**
- **Conduct Hg tests**
- **Working on equipment transport issues**
 - Equipment crating is being fabricated