

# Hardware Update

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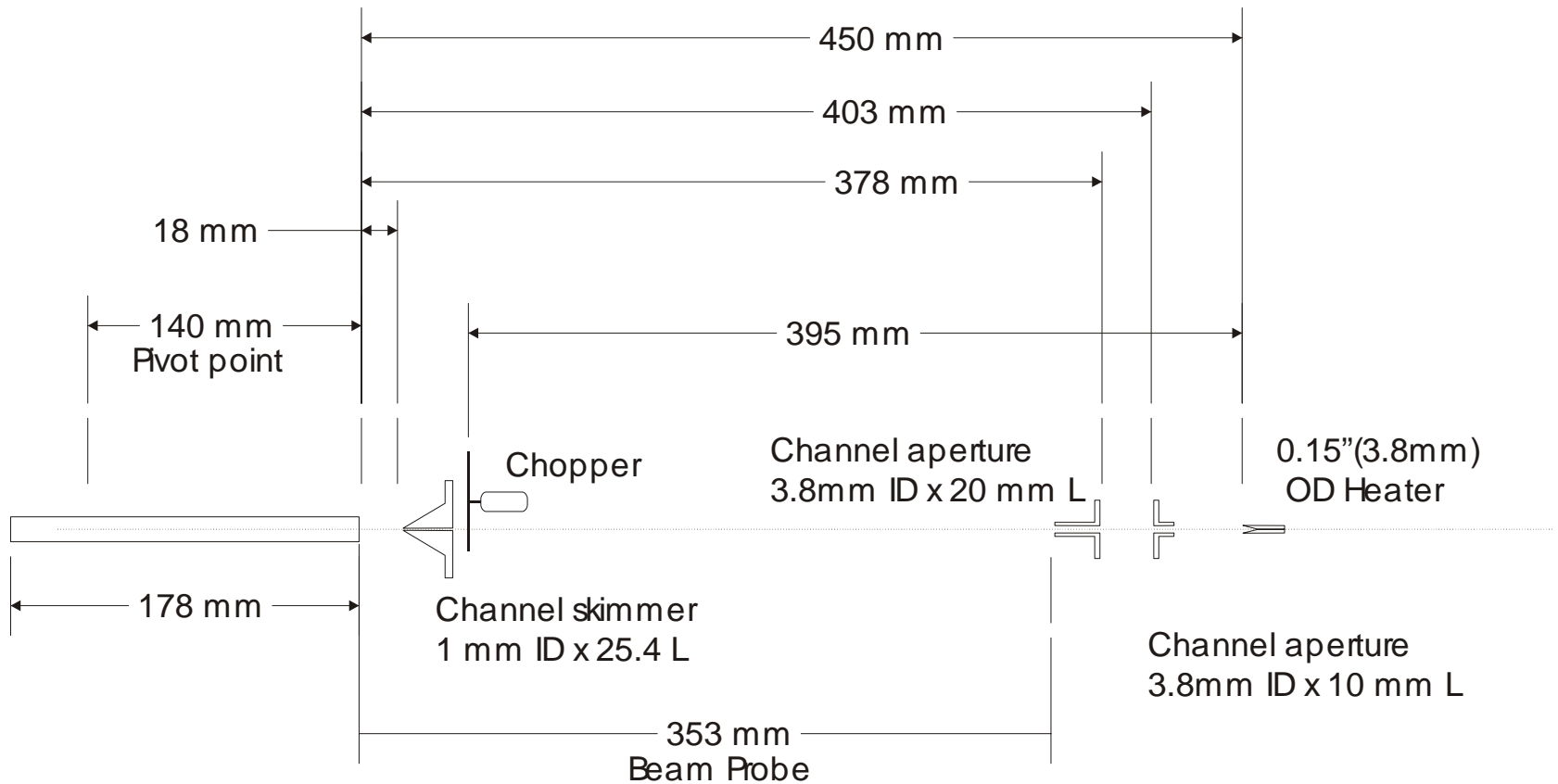
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# Hardware

- TOF – AMS
- Light Scattering module
- Short chamber
- Beam Width Probe
- High pressure lens for larger size particles
- Rigid critical aperture holder
- Cryopump
- *New Vaporizer...*



## Distances and Apertures for 255-xxx AMS Chamber

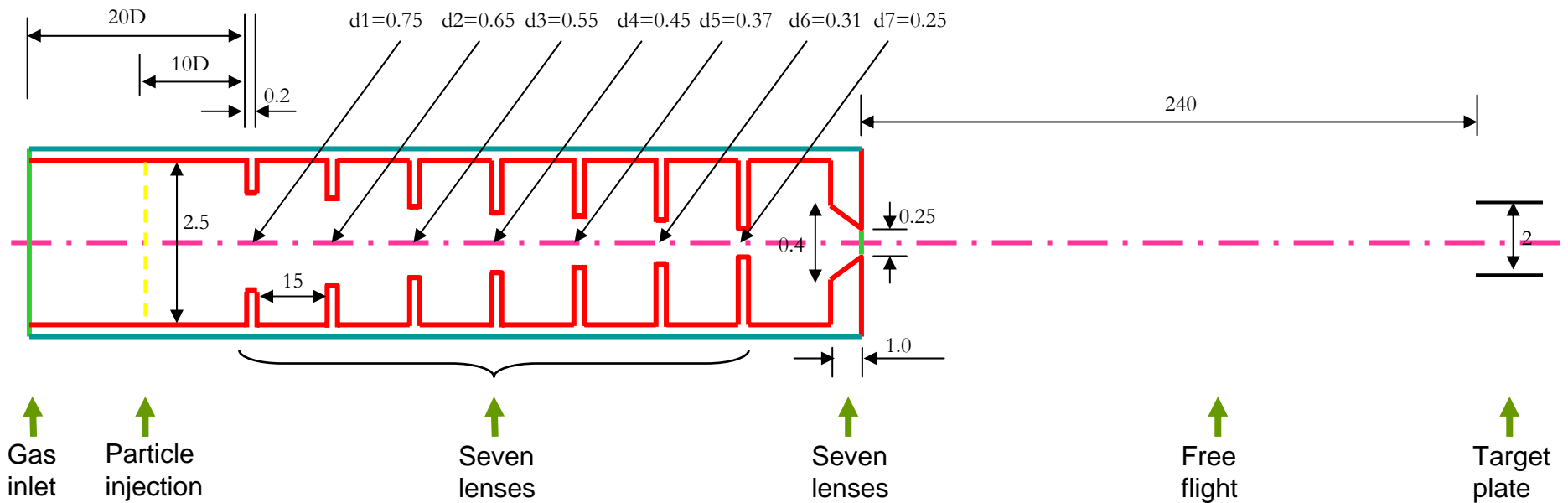


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New chamber is 10 cm shorter, series 215-xxx

# Lens For larger particle transmission

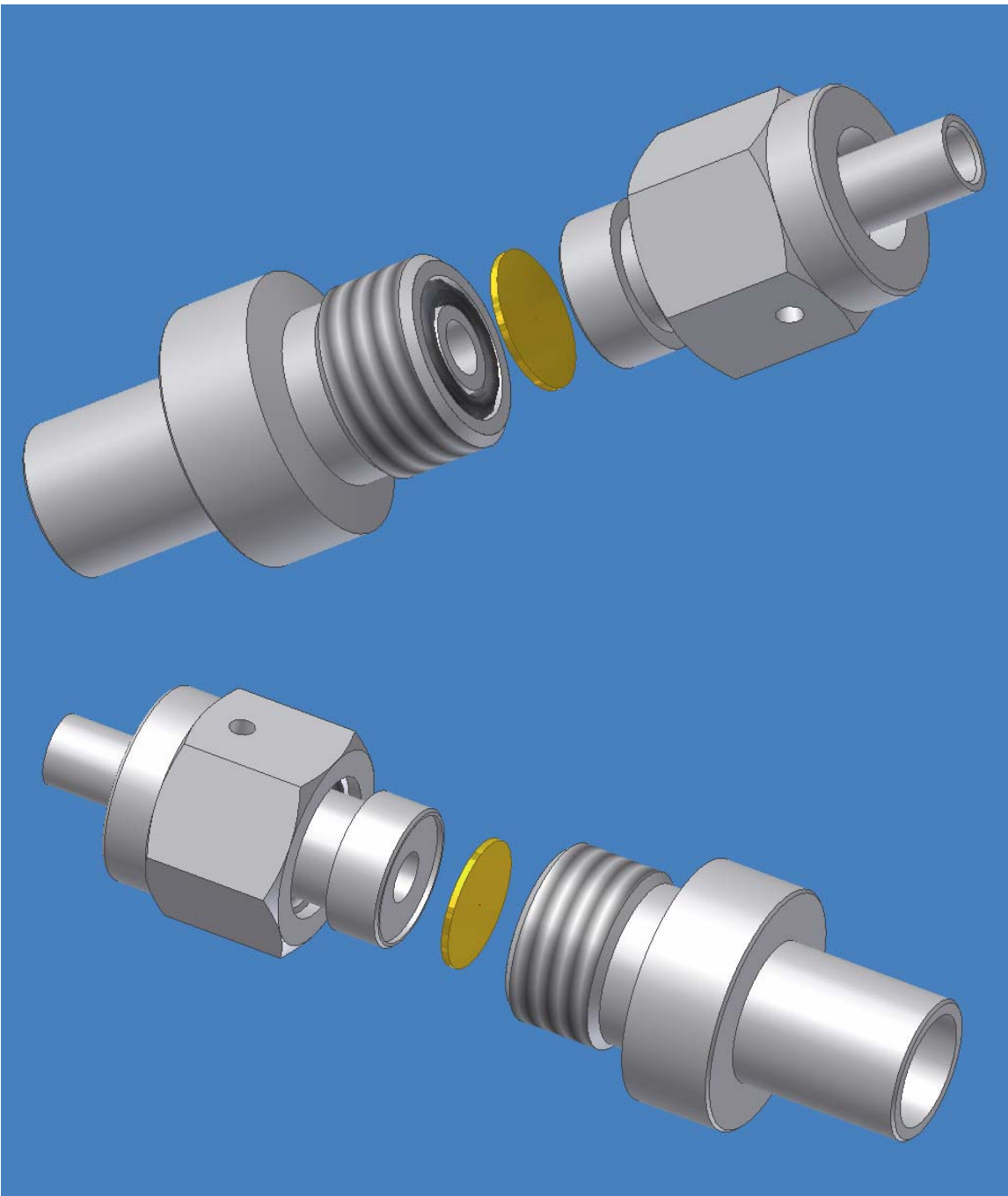
$\sim 0.3 - 3 \mu\text{m}$   
Unit: mm



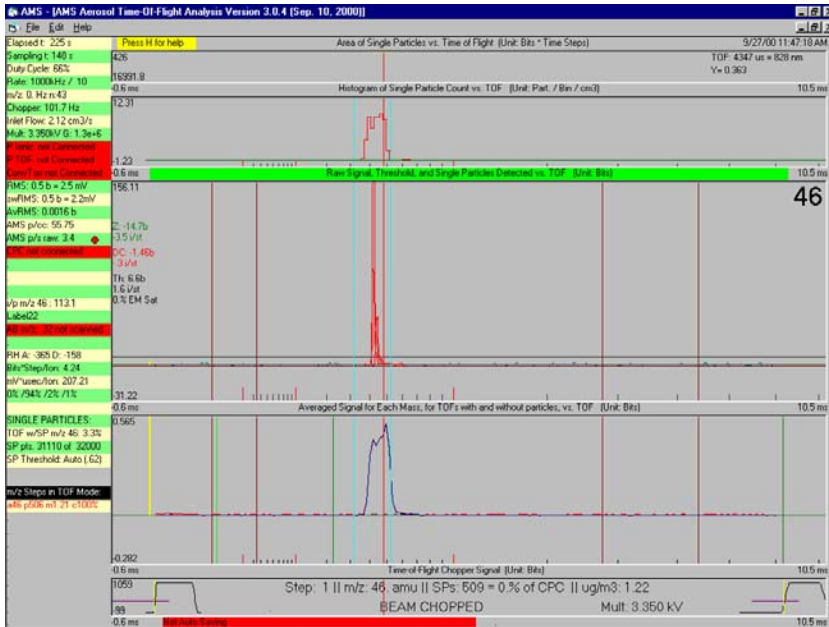
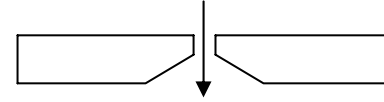
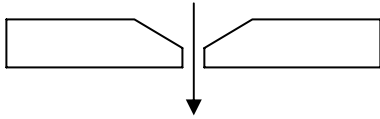
*Schreiner et al. (1999)*

*Zhang et al. (2002)*

# VCO Style Critical Aperture Holder

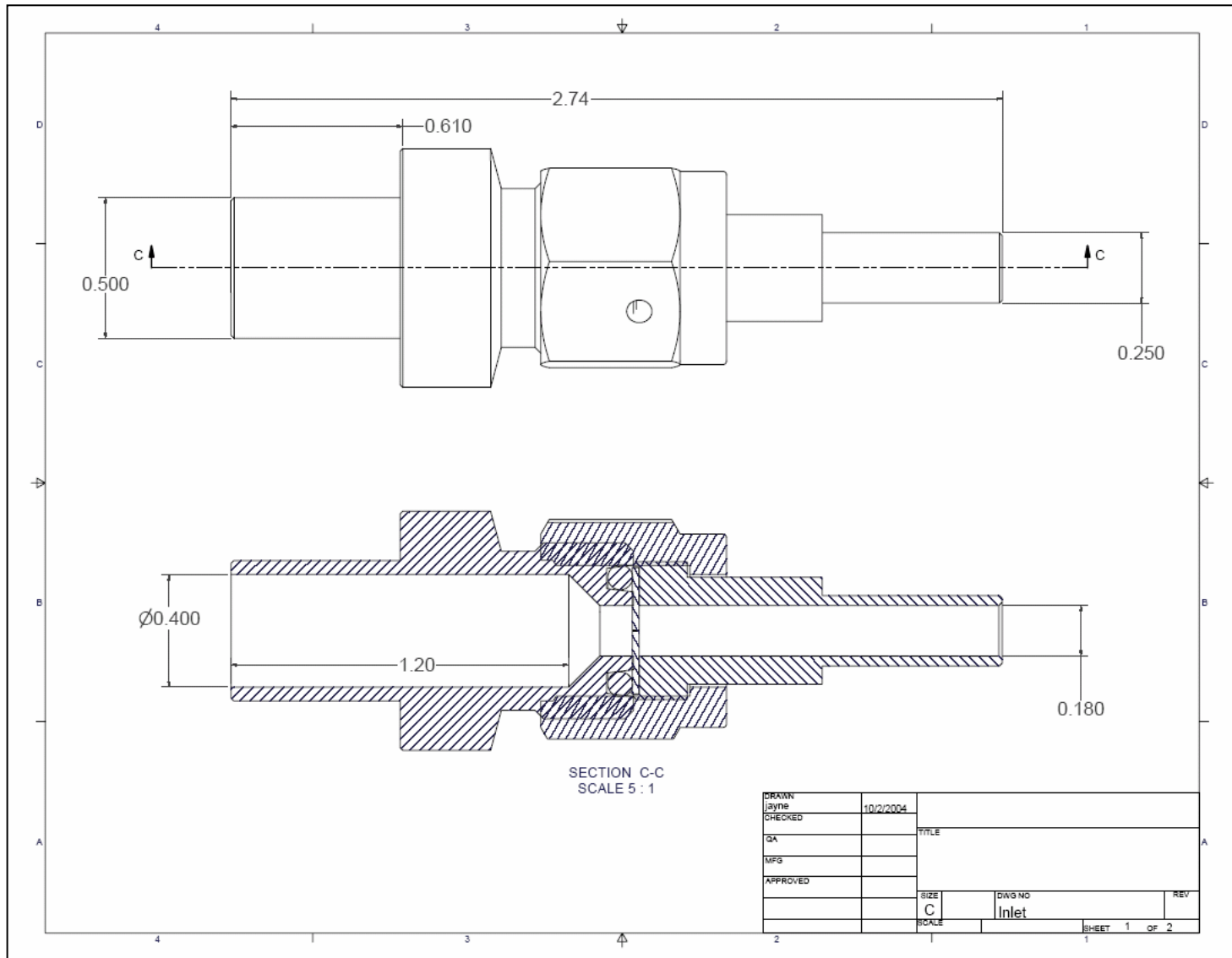


# The orientation of the pinhole is important



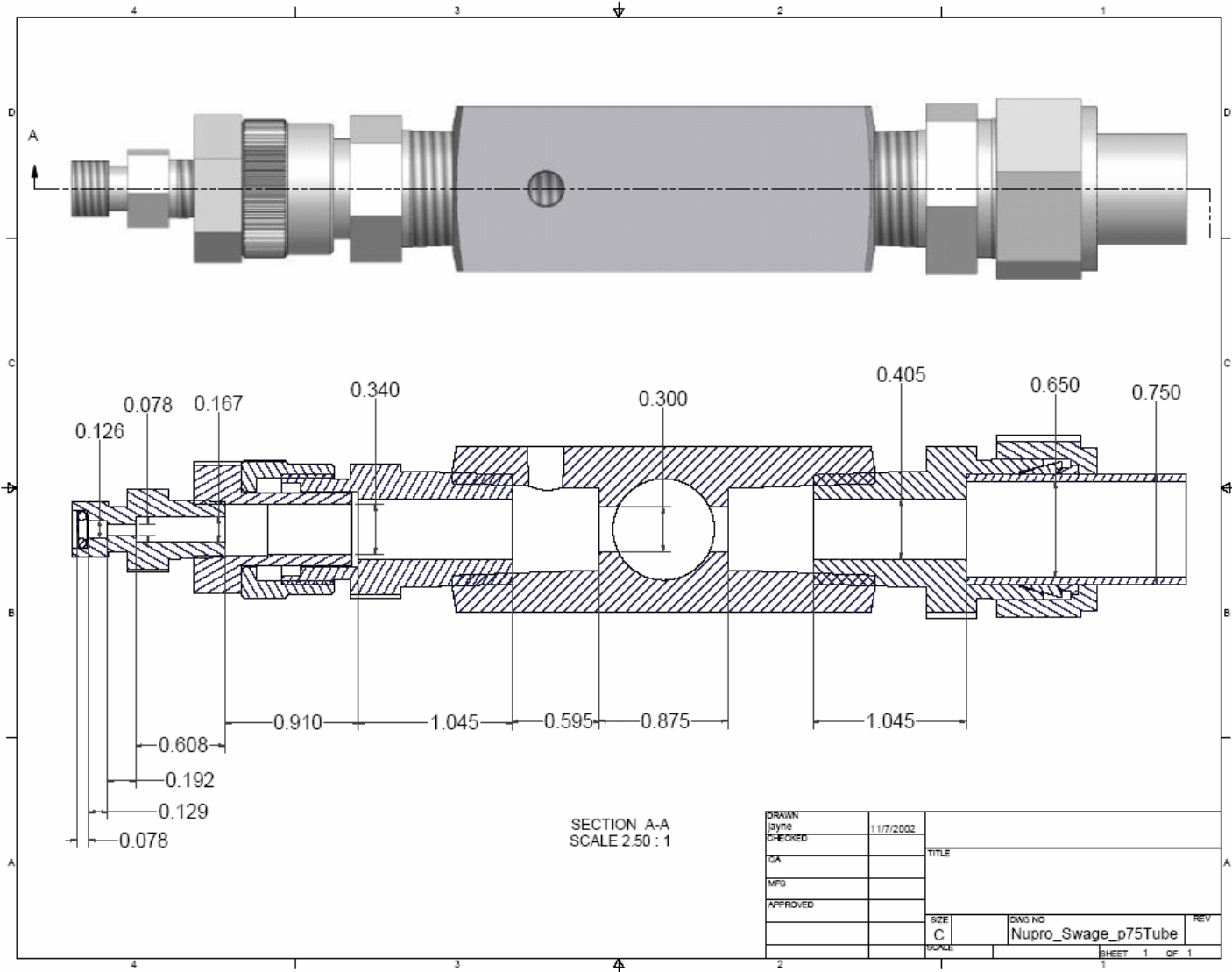
“Pimple” effect

# Possible Design for Improved Critical Aperture Holder

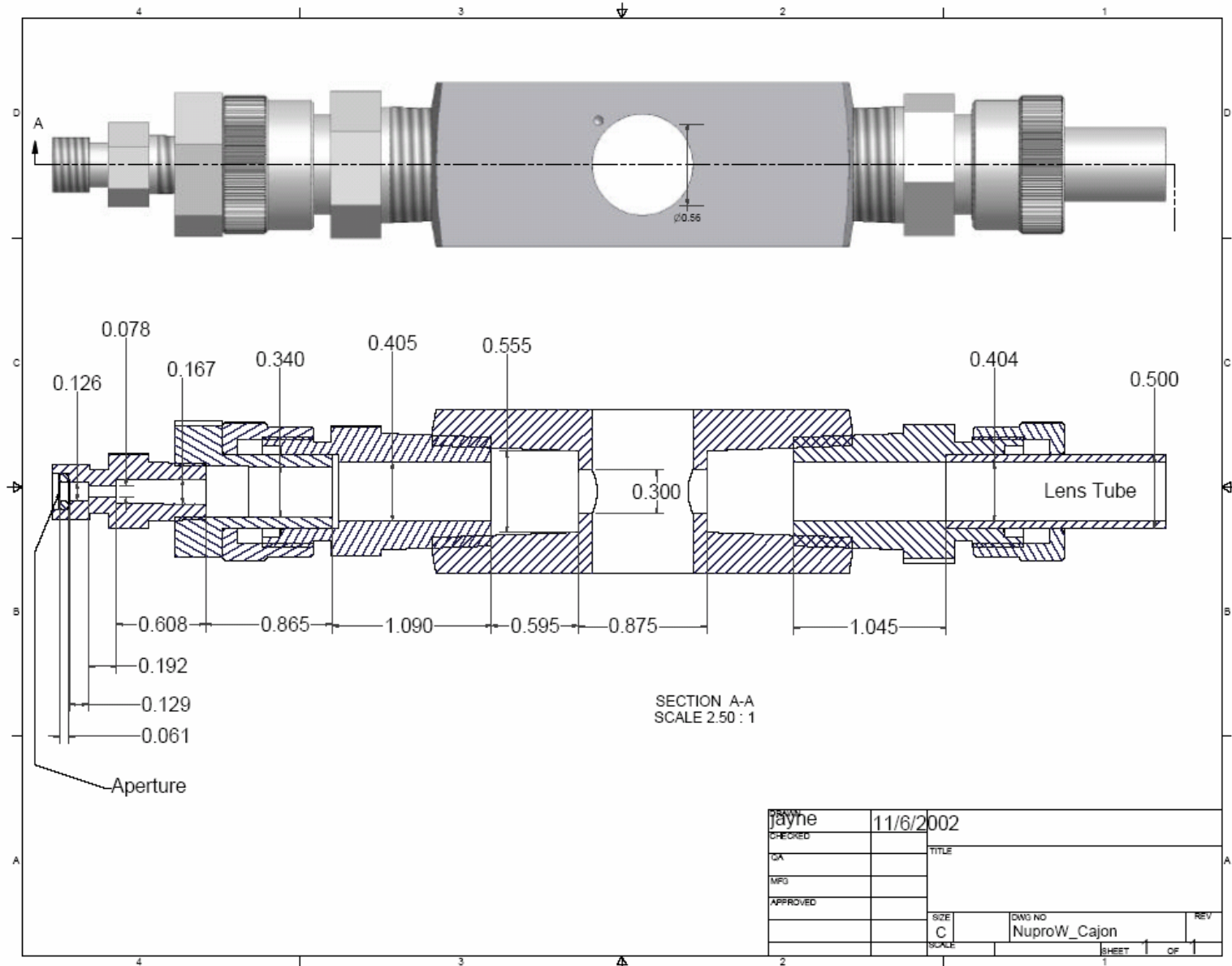




# Current HTP w/Critical Aperture and Valve Body



# Current Standard Lens w/Critical Aperture and Valve Body

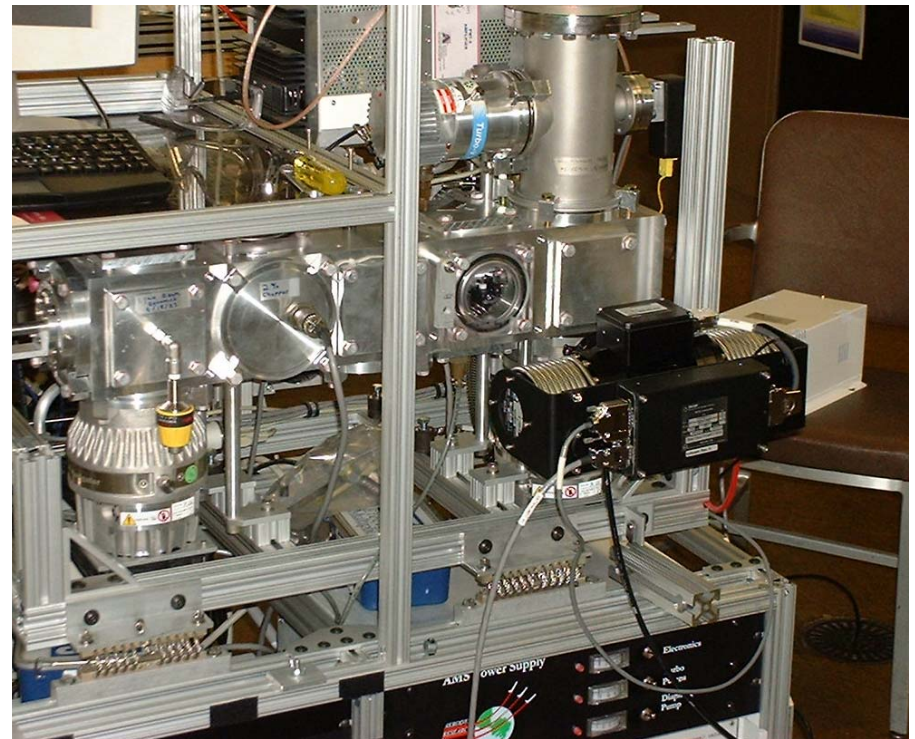


# Ricor MicroStar™ Cryopump

fast pump out / background reduction in ARI Aerosol Mass Spectrometer ionizer chamber

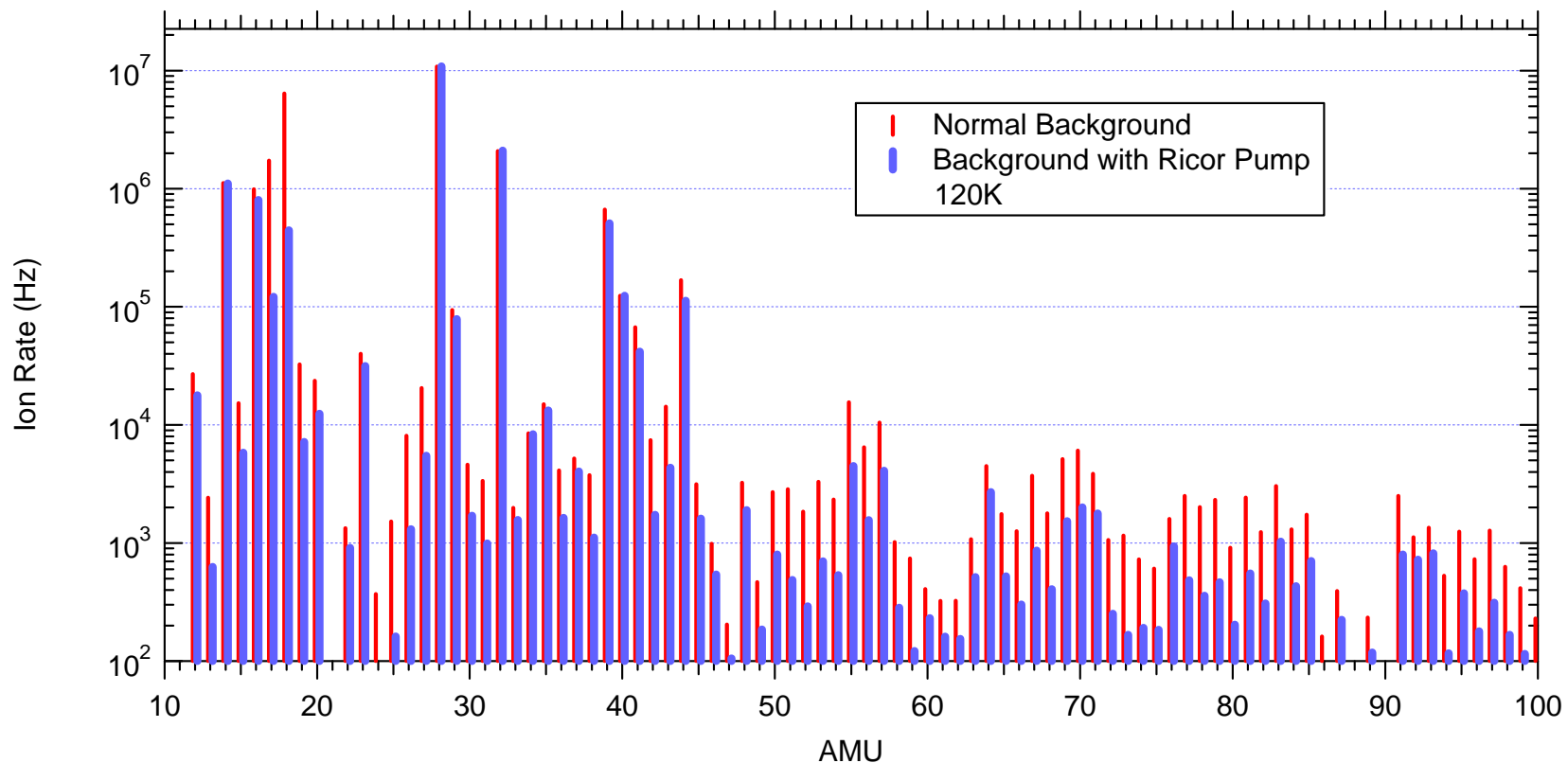


- 1000 Ls<sup>-1</sup> pumping speed for water
- 17 kg (38 lbs)
- 400 Watts start-up at 50 VDC  
(~200W normal load)



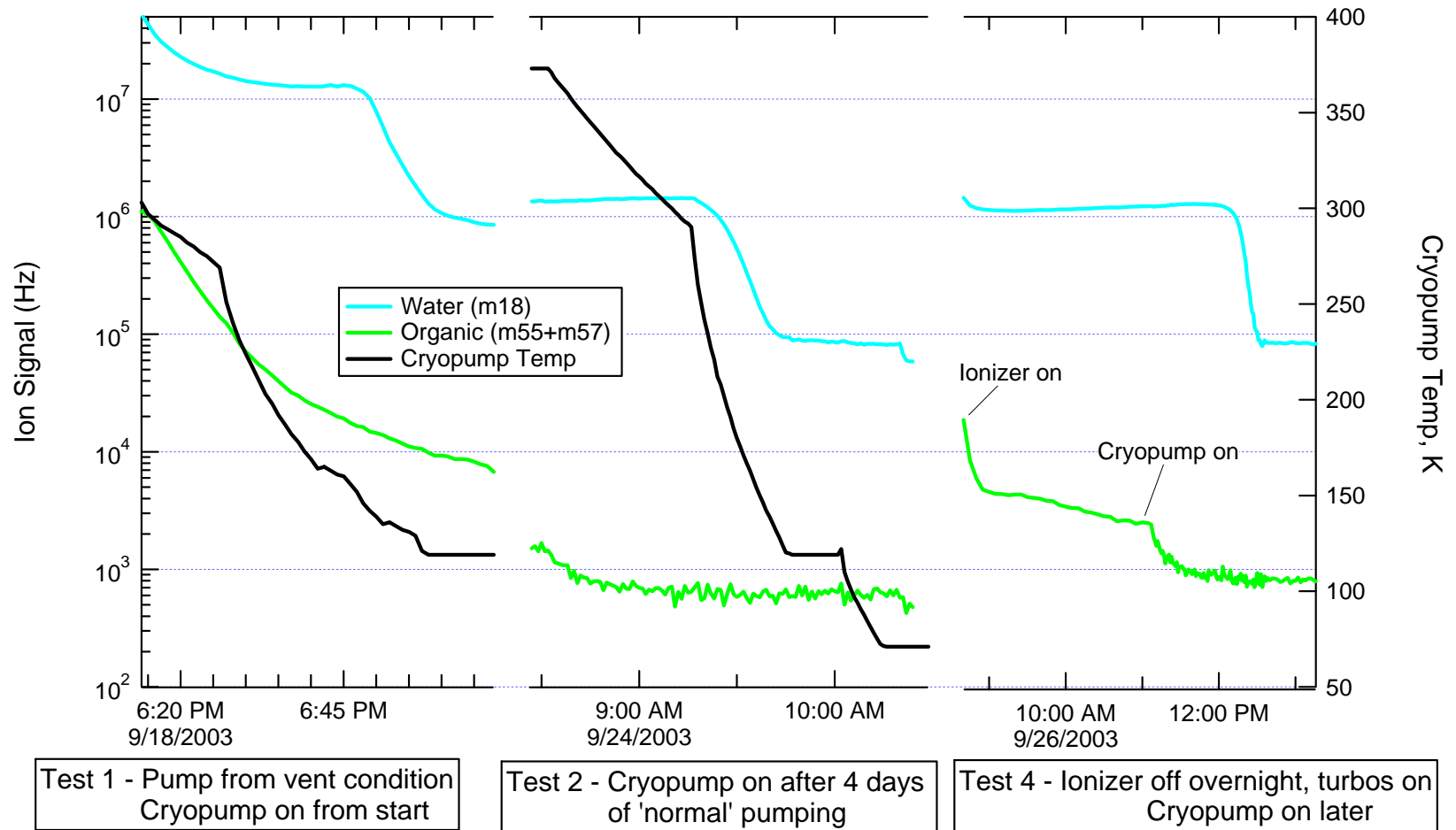
- Cryoshielded surrounds ionizer
- Mounted between P5 (V301) and chamber

# Comparison of Mass Spec with and without Cryopump



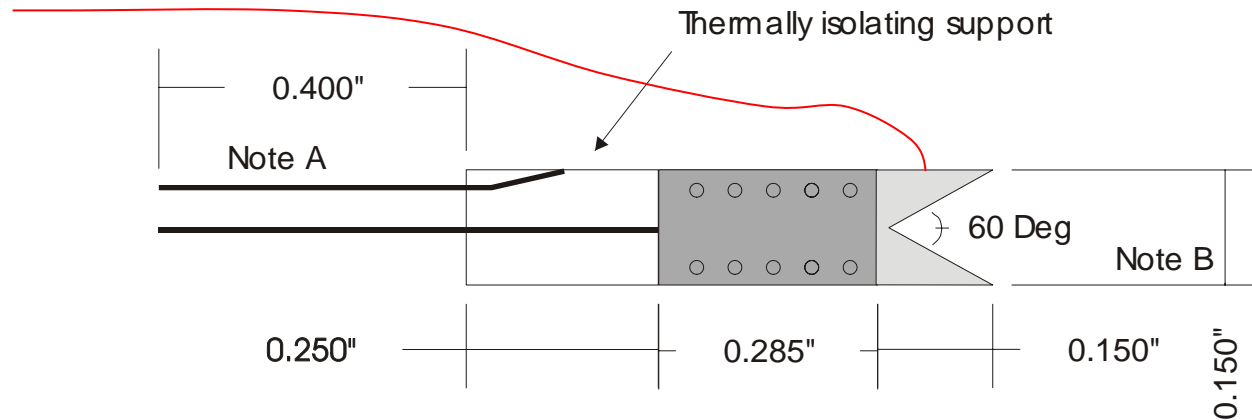
Water vapor drops ~15x; organics drop between 2 and 10x

# Ricor Microstar Cryopump performance in AMS



# Current Vaporizer Design

## Thermocouple



### Notes:

A- Two heater leads. One lead attached to ID of thermally isolating support

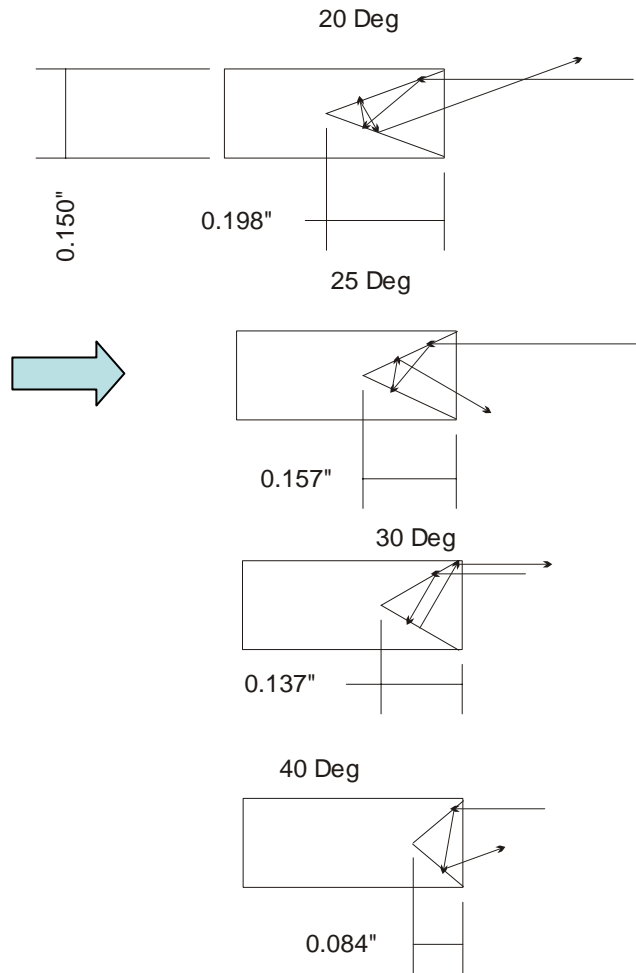
B- make one heater using 80% dense molybdenum and one heater using 50% dense molybdenum (radius of curvature on cone angles  $< \sim .015$ )

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Scale 1" = .25"

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# Cone Shaped Oven Heater Design to maximize particle collisions and minimize cone length



Oven Angle N relative to beam axis

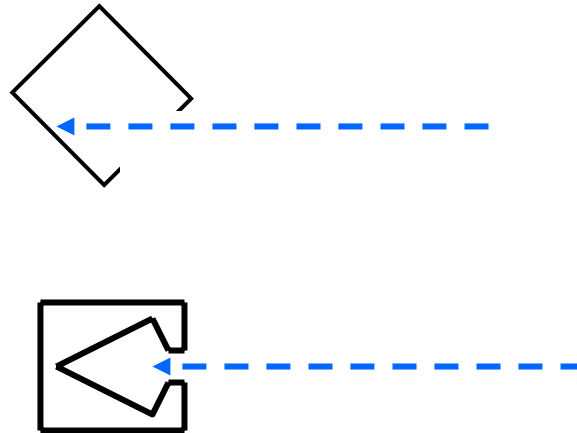
Specular reflections

- 1)  $180 - N$  incoming on beam axis
- 2)  $N$  1st reflection
- 3)  $180 - 5N$  2nd reflection
- 4)  $5N$  3rd reflection
- 5)  $180 - 9N$  4th reflection
- 6)  $9N$  5th reflection

Oven Angle	No. of Collisions	Minimum length
20	4	.198
25	3	.157
30	3	.137
40	2	.084

# Particle trapping type vaporizer

*Svane et al, 2004*  
*Pettersson Sweden*



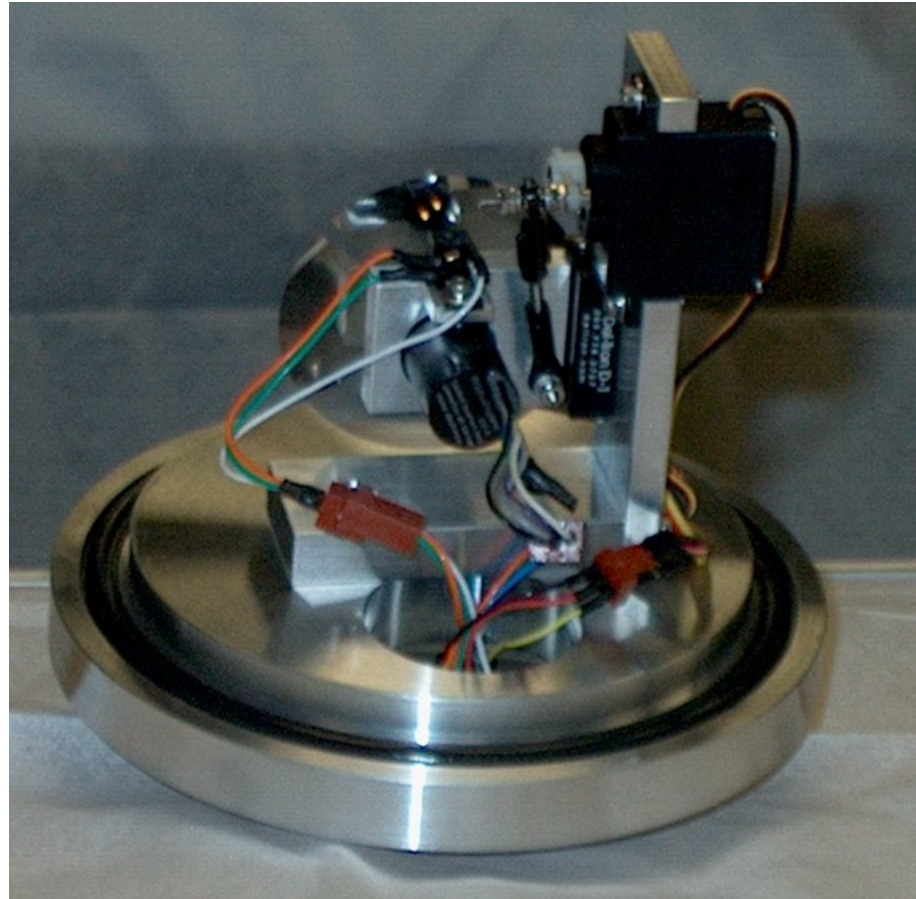
- *Will effect temporal profile of vapor plume and resolution of particle size measurement.*
- *Will be physically larger, or will reduce collection angle.*
- *Temperature gradients...*



# Digital interface for control electronics??

- eliminate toggle switches
- enable data logging of pumps stats and vaporizer, etc.
- enable computer control of pumps, vaporizer, chopper, etc.

# Discussion of hardware failures



Wire fatigue problem on chopper assembly



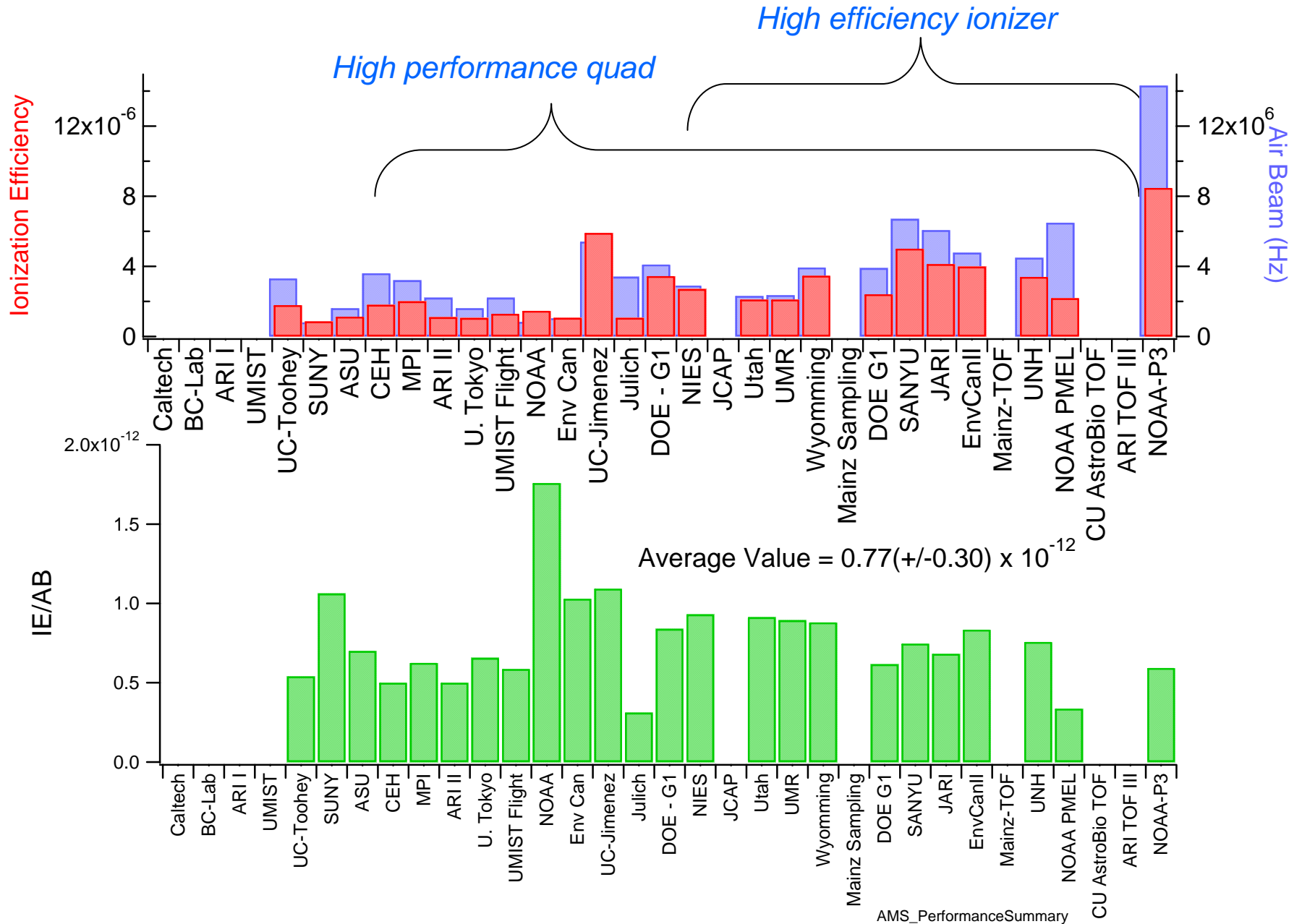
# Air Beam and Ionization Efficiency

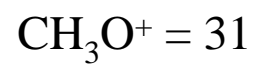
- Ionization efficiency, IE (ions/molecule)
  - Sample a particle of known size (no. of molecules) and measure the number of ions produced. *Typically a few ions generated from  $10^6$  molecules.*
- Air Beam, AB (Hz, ions / second)
  - The signal at N<sub>2</sub> (or O<sub>2</sub>), use signal strength as a measure of instrument sensitivity. *Typically a few million ions per second.*

# Variability in Ionization Efficiency and Air Beam

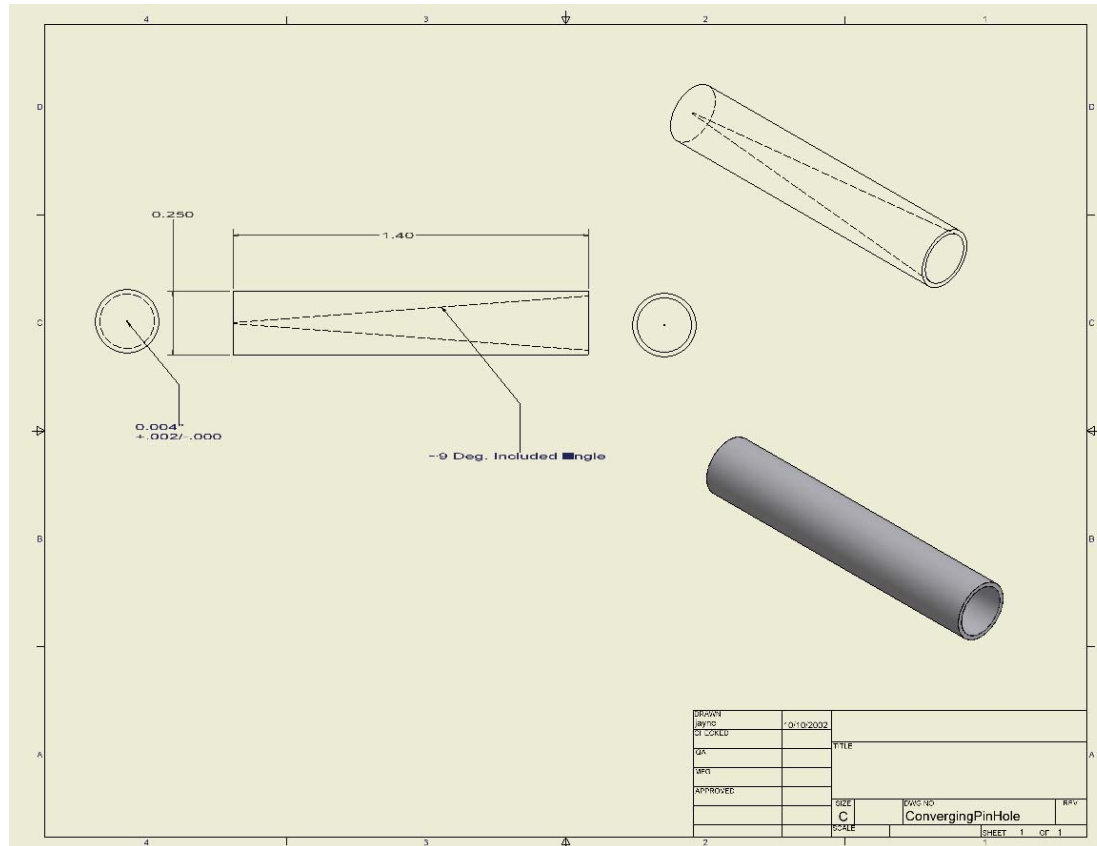
- Position of filament with respect to slit in ion reference region. *IE/AB constant*
- *Multiplier collection efficiency. IE/AB constant*
- Pressure in TOF chamber (small internal leaks can have a measurable effect on AB intensity). *IE/AB larger*
- *Positioning of vaporizer inside ionizer volume IE/AB smaller*
- Machining imperfections in skimmer channel. AB could be off-axis. *IE/AB larger*

# Summary of AMS Performance at Time of Delivery





# Converging nozzle to improve collection of micron size particles



*A fabrication challenge...*

- Two nozzles have been made (not quite to spec).
- Measurement results not as expected, no improvement in large particle transmission



# Adjustable Inlet with Micrometer heads

