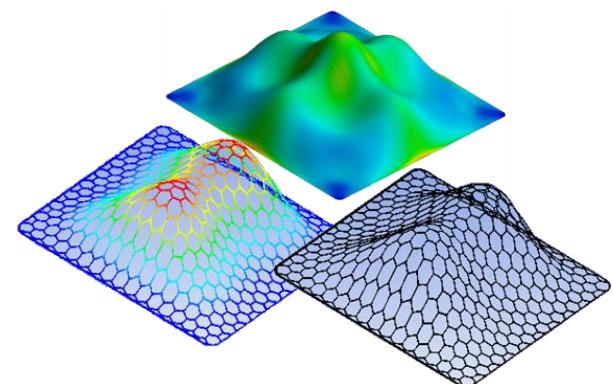


Mechanical Design and Characterization of Thin Film Structures



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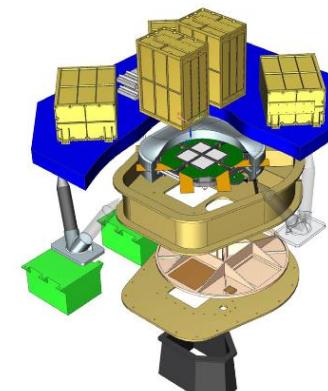
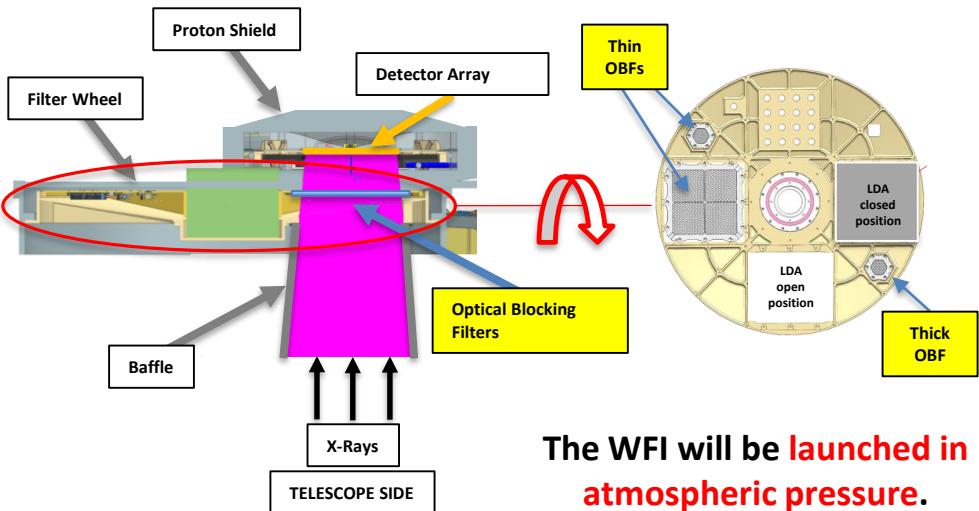


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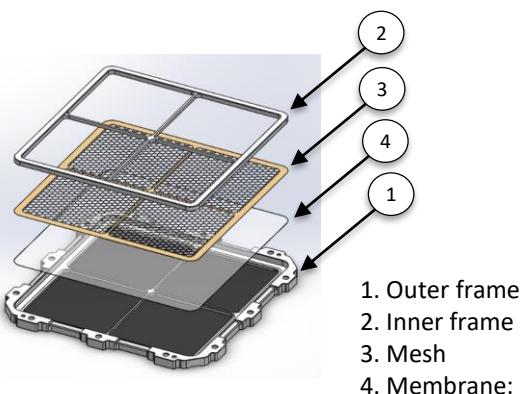
Outline

- **Mechanical Design and Finite Element Analysis**
 - Structural
 - Thermal
- **Prototyping**
- **Testing and Characterization**
 - Differential pressure and Thermo-Vacuum
 - Acoustic and Vibration Tests

Thin Film Structures in the Instrument Context



The WFI will be launched in atmospheric pressure.



LDA OBF

Clean aperture: **159 mm x 159 mm**

Membrane material: Polyimide ($C_{22}H_{10}N_2O_4$) 150 nm thick + Al coating 30 nm thick

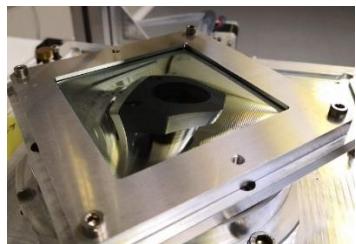
Mesh - material: SS (AISI304) + Au plating 5 μm thick

- Pattern: honeycomb with pitch **$4.8 +/- 0.05 mm$**

- Wires: **$75 +/- 4 \mu m x 150 +/- 15 \mu m$**

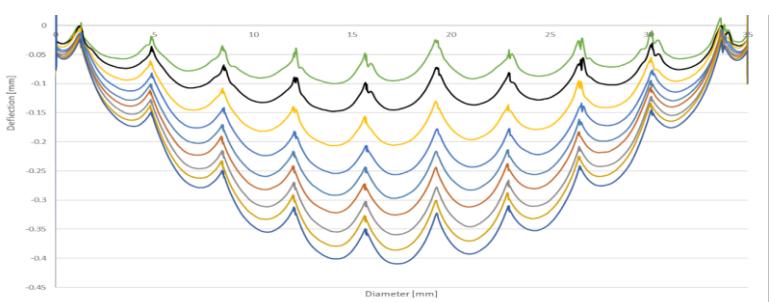
- Blocking Factor: **$\sim 4\%$**

Mechanical Design and FEM: Static Pressure Load

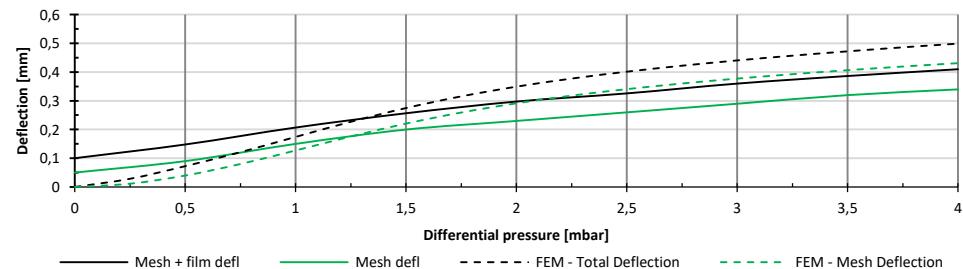
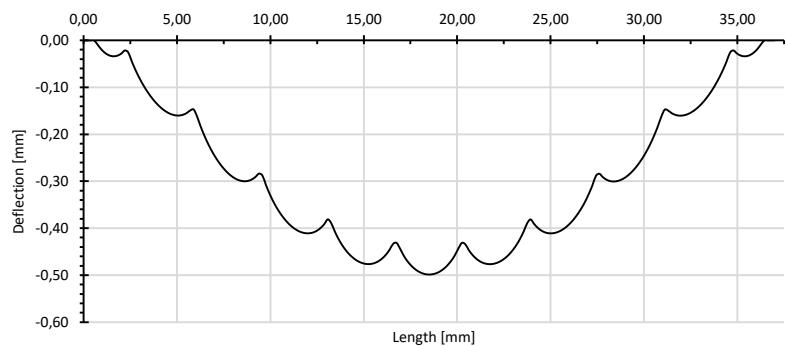


- Membrane 200 nm polyimide/30 nm aluminum;
- Stainless steel mesh with 5 μm gold plating;
- Hexagonal with a pitch of 3.6 mm (+/-0.05);
- Wire width 40 (+/-2) μm , thickness 80 (+/-8) μm .

Filter deflection measurements (0-4 mbar).

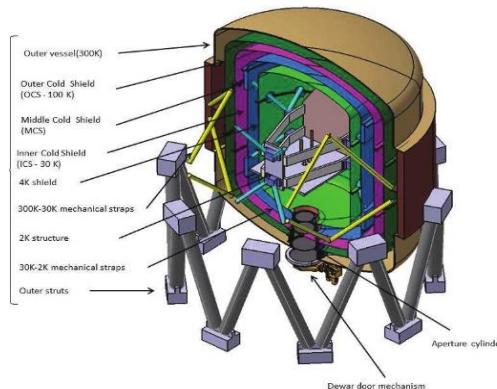


Finite Element Modelling @ 4 mbar

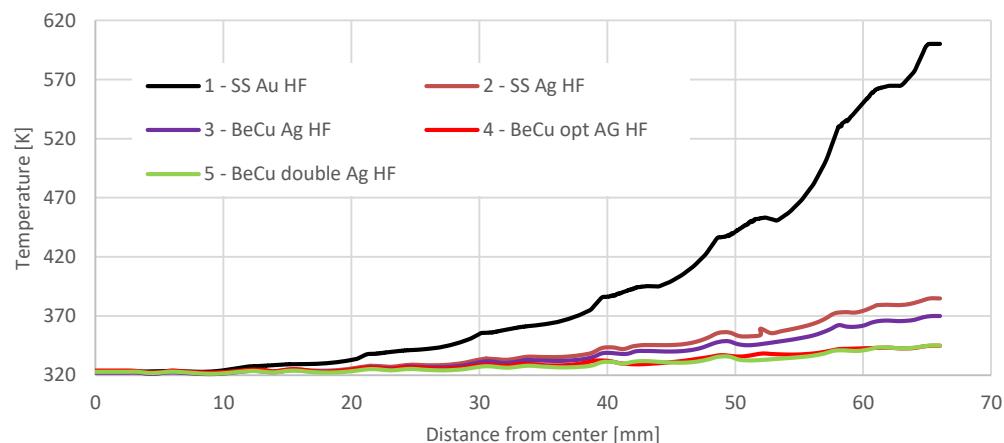
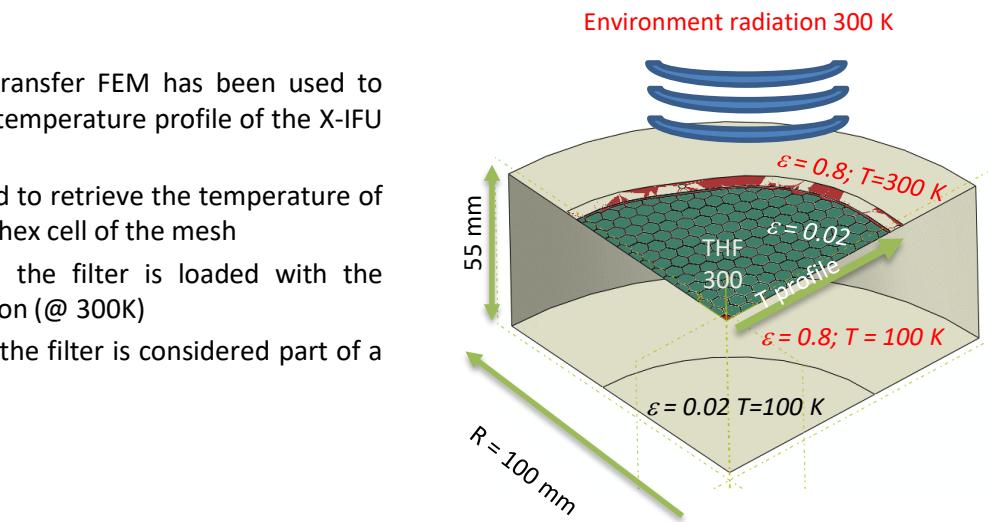
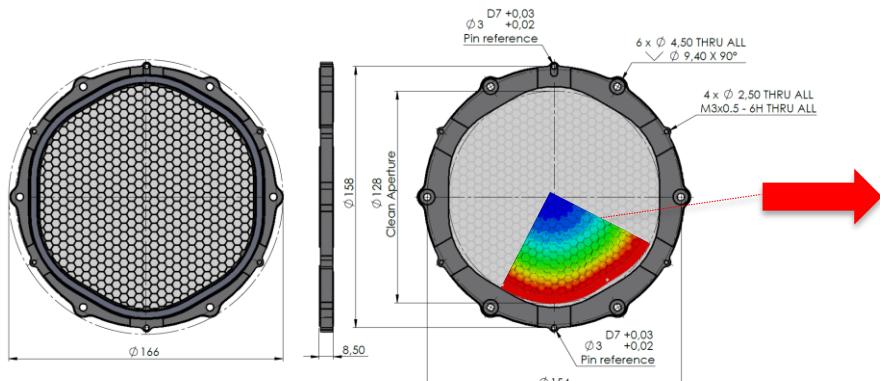


20 % estimated error between
FEM and measurement

Mechanical Design and FEM: Thermal analysis



- Steady state heat transfer FEM has been used to calculate the radial temperature profile of the X-IFU THF 300 filter
- A 3D FEM is adopted to retrieve the temperature of the film inside each hex cell of the mesh
- On the upper face the filter is loaded with the environment radiation (@ 300K)
- The bottom face of the filter is considered part of a closed cavity

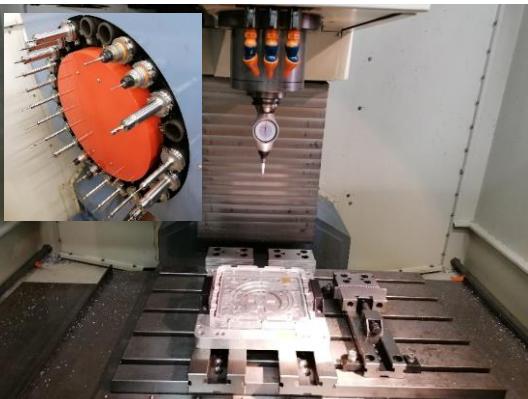


Mechanical Design and Prototyping

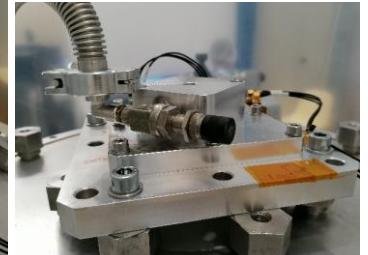
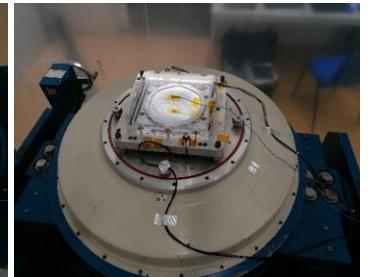
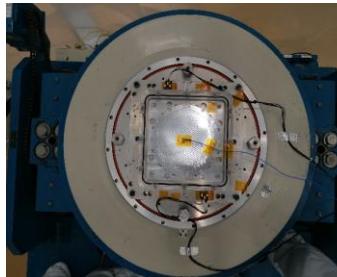
Mechanical Workshop



- Numerical control **milling machine FAMUP MCX 700**
- Numerical control **lathe CMT URSUS TC**
- **3 x Conventional lathe BOMAC**
- **Conventional milling machine BOMAC**
- **CAD-CAM**
 - SOLIDWORKS
 - ESPRIT

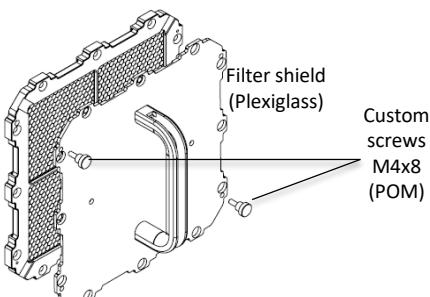
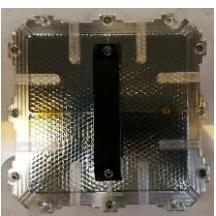
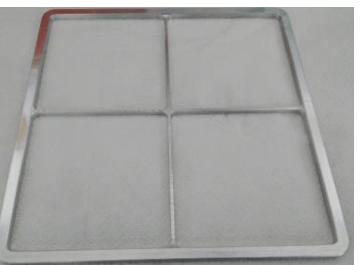
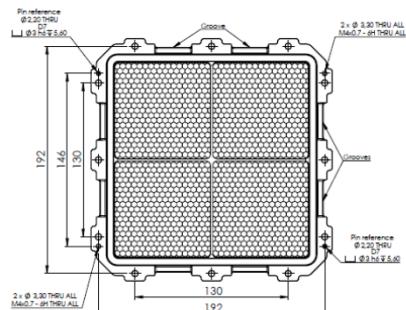
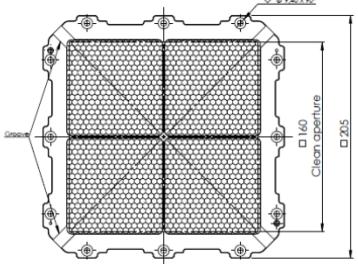
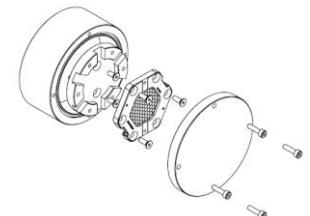
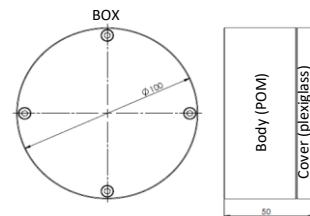
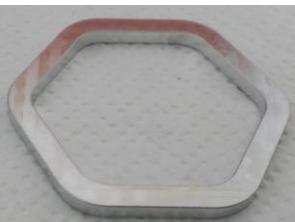
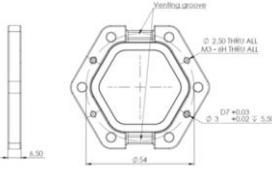
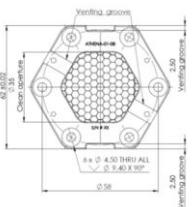


Filter breadboards, mechanical interfaces, storage and handling tools.



Examples of Manufactured Components

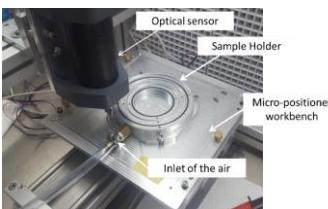
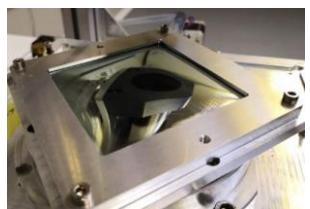
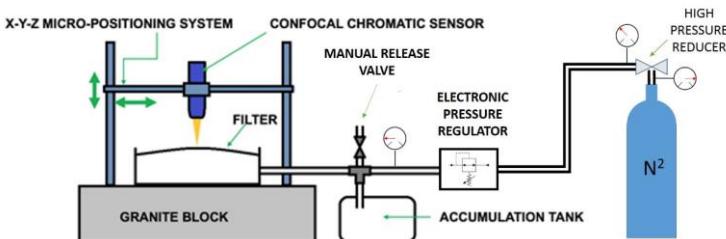
case study: WFI OBFs



Characterization Tests: Static Pressure Load And Thermo-vacuum

Static Pressure Test @ INAF-OAPA

- X-Y-Z micro-positioner,
- Pressurization device,
- Optical confocal sensor micro-epsilon® DT 2421/2422

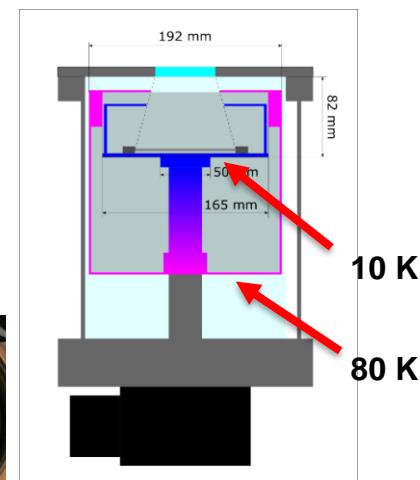


MAIN GOALS

- Analyze the global and local deformation of mesh reinforced thin films.
- Investigate the stress on mesh and membranes by comparison with numerical simulations (FEA).
- Derive material parameters.

Thermo Vacuum @ INAF-OAPA

- Liquid Free Cryostat (10 - 320 K);
- 160 mm diameter cold plate;
- Thermometers, heaters and PID Temperature control.



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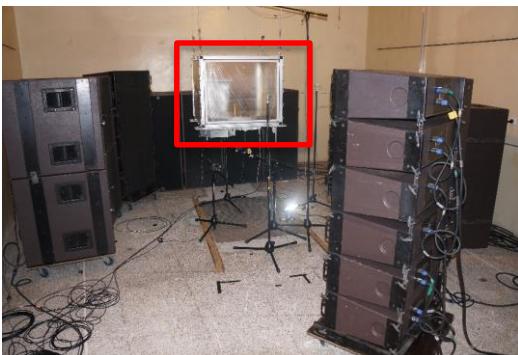
Investigate the thermomechanical compatibility between components made with different materials.

Characterization Tests: Acoustic and Vibration

Acoustic Facility

AGH University of Science and Technology (Krakow, Poland)

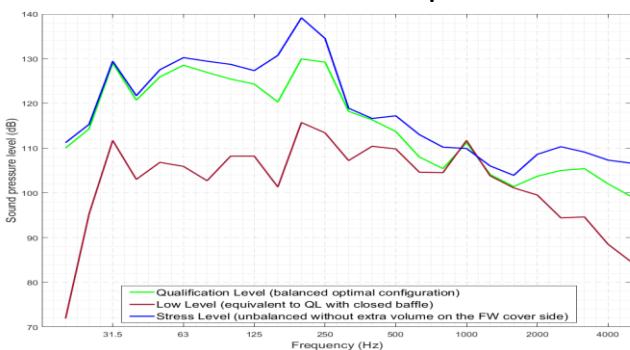
Reverberation chamber



Maxi Level

Differential pressure [mbar]		SPL [dB]
RMS	PEAK	TOTAL
0.8	7.9	142.0

Sound Pressure Level Spectra

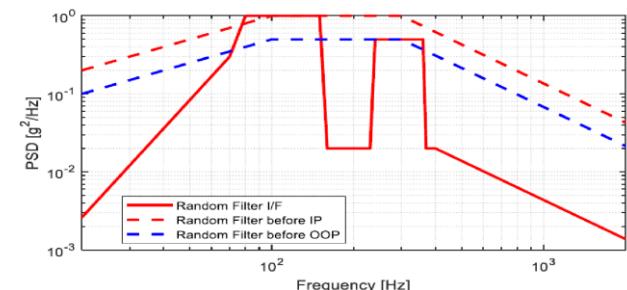
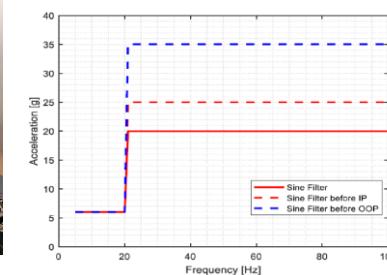


MAIN GOAL

Test the resistance of components in air environment.

Vibration Facilities

- Centre Spatial de Liège – CSL (Liège- BE)
- Max Planck Institute for Extraterrestrial Physics – MPE (Garching, GE)
- Laboratory SERMS, UMBRA Group (Terni, IT)



MAIN GOALS

- Test mechanical strength of components under dynamic conditions.
- Investigate the dynamic response of components such as resonances and displacements in air and vacuum environment.

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