

**The development and performance of high current shunts  
( $> 20 \text{ A} \dots 100 \text{ A} / 100 \text{ kHz}$ )  
for power measurement**

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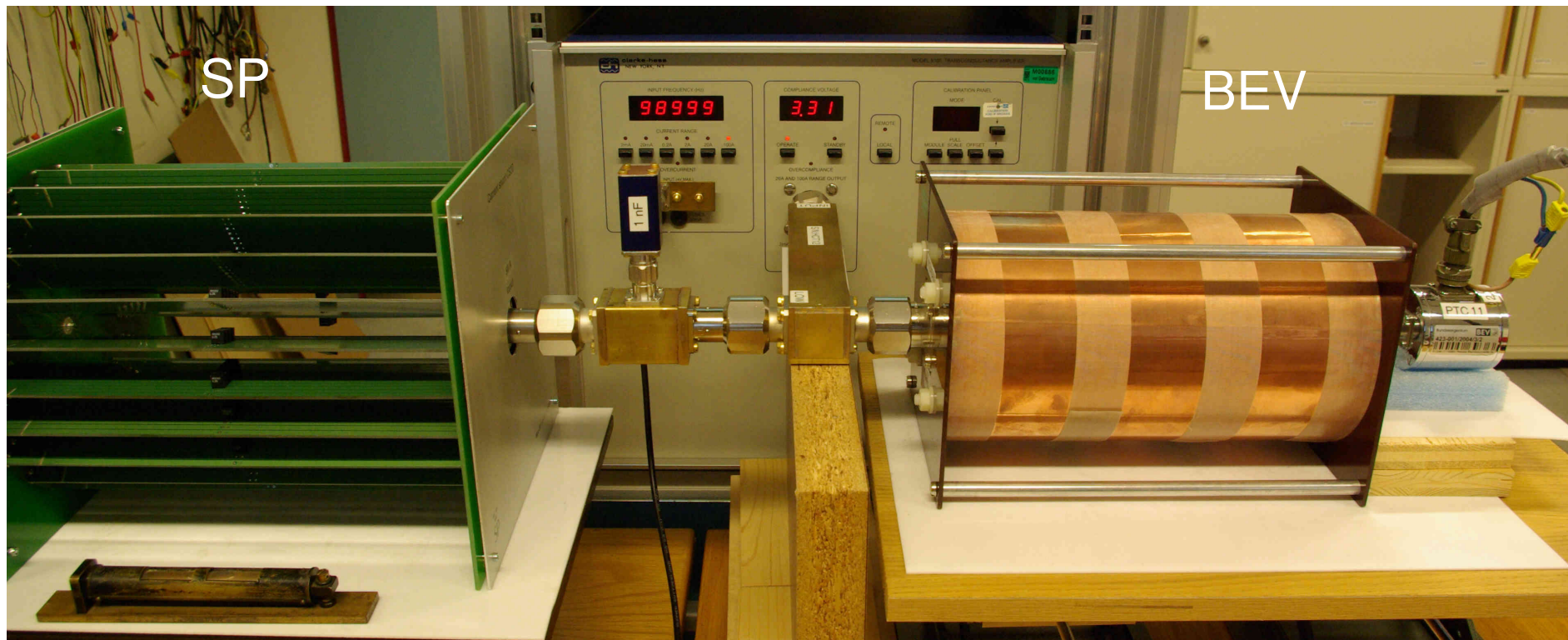
## Outline

Start April 2008:      existing shunts for ac-dc  
                                 existing measurement methods

development of new measurement methods

BEV part:  
development of foil shunts for power measurement  
                                 mechanical modification  
                                 measurements

## April 2008: starting point



SP: Cage Design  
ac-dc ~ - 50  $\mu\text{A/A}$

BEV: Foil Design  
ac-dc ~ + 50  $\mu\text{A/A}$

## measurement capabilities:

### existing:

BEV: ac-dc

SP: ac-dc, dc, phase up to 1.500 Hz calculated from L and C

### new developed measurement methods:

INRIM: phase angle error

CMI: TCR (temperature coefficient of resistance)

PCR (power coefficient of resistance)

### work in progress:

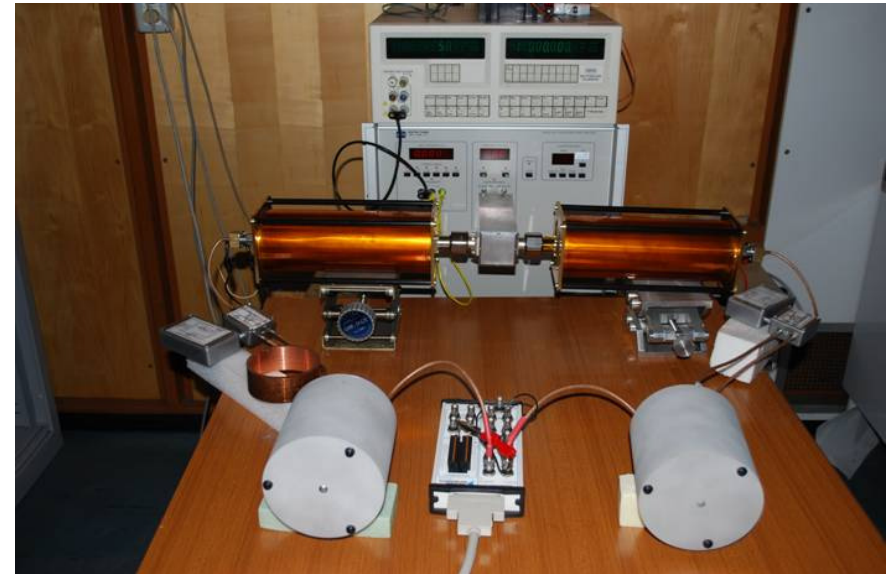
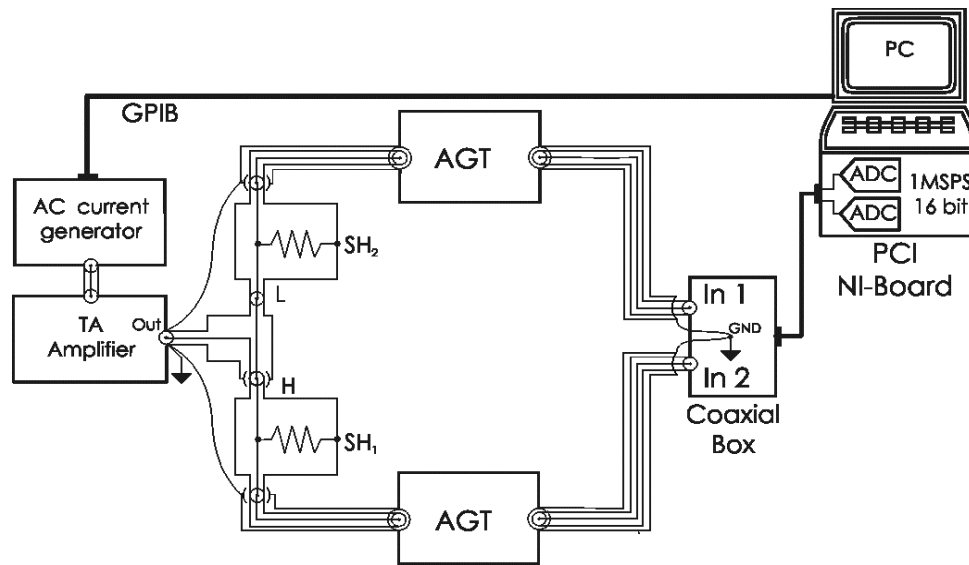
SP: expanding L to pH and 100 kHz

PXI phase comparator

CMI: impedance

# Phase comparator

A phase comparator was built for the measurements of phase differences between two shunts.



Basic circuit of the phase comparator. SH<sub>1</sub> and SH<sub>2</sub> denote the two shunts being compared. Two active guarded transformers (AGTs) are employed as wideband decoupled precision transmitters.

The current generator was assembled by connecting a calibrator in the ac voltage function that supplies a transconductance amplifier.



## DC characterization of the shunts

- **Method:** measurement of ratio of output voltages of the tested and the reference standard by dual channel multimeter

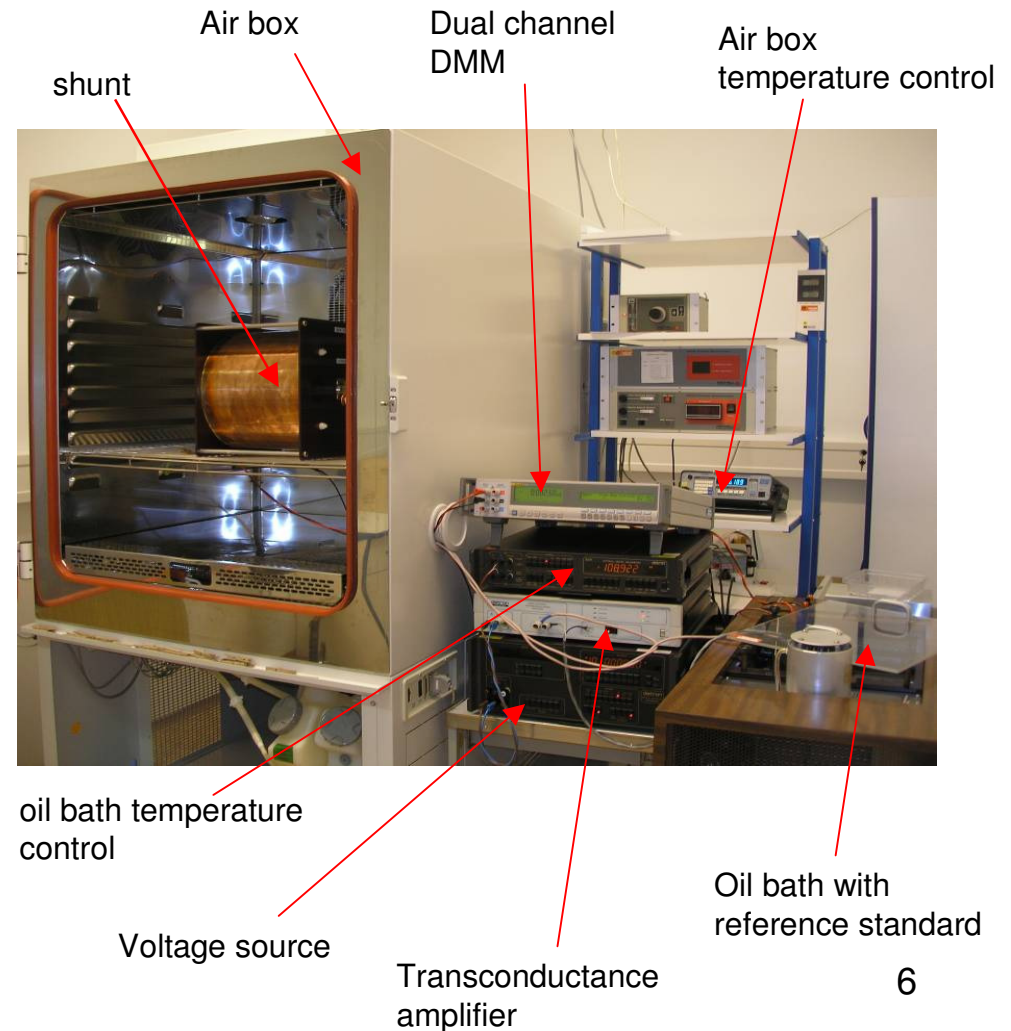
$$R_X = \frac{U_X}{U_E} \cdot R_E$$

- PC measured and calculated **in current range of 50% - 100% of nominal current**
- TC measured **in temperature range from 18 °C up to 28(30) °C at 1/10 of nominal current**
- **Typical values for foil shunts:**

PC < ± 4 ppm

TC from -2.8 ppm to +8 ppm

### Set up for TC measurement



## motivation for new foil shunts

### „Old design“

- very heavy units (28.5 kg for 100 A)
- long warmup time (~ 2 hours)
- dc properties not satisfying
- very time- consuming fabrication

### „New design“

- reduced weight (2.9 kg for 100 A)
- warmup time ~ 10 min
- dc property?

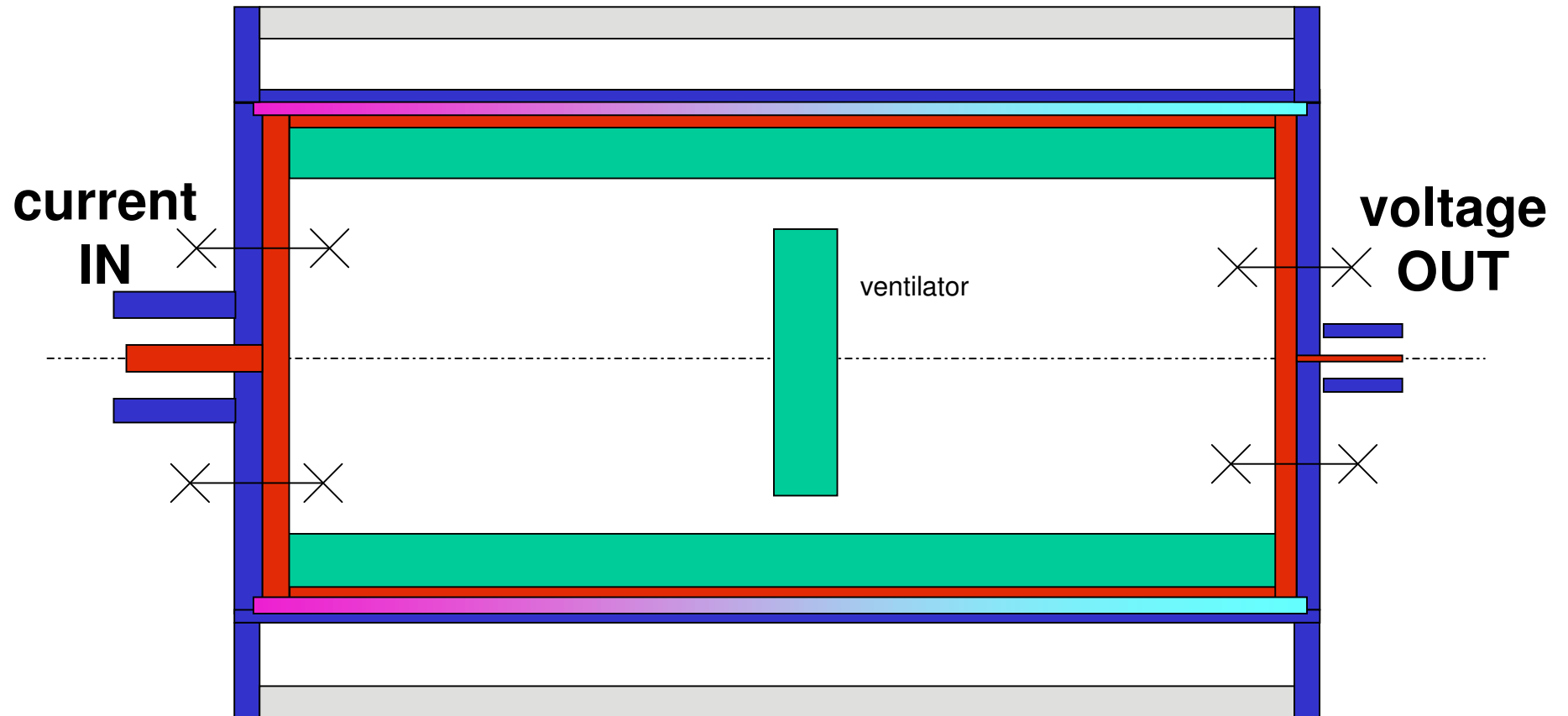
## foil shunt - principle



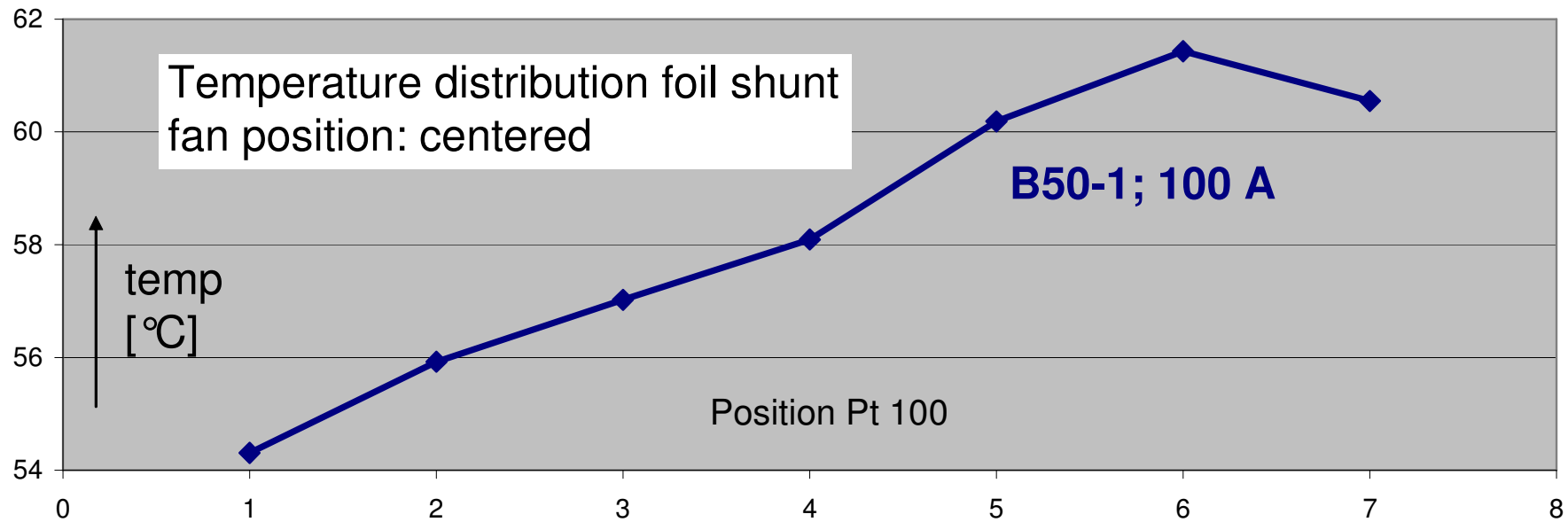
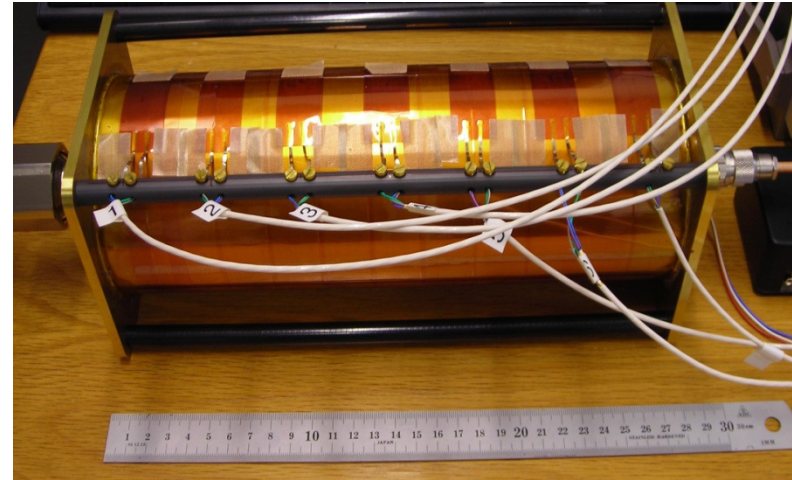
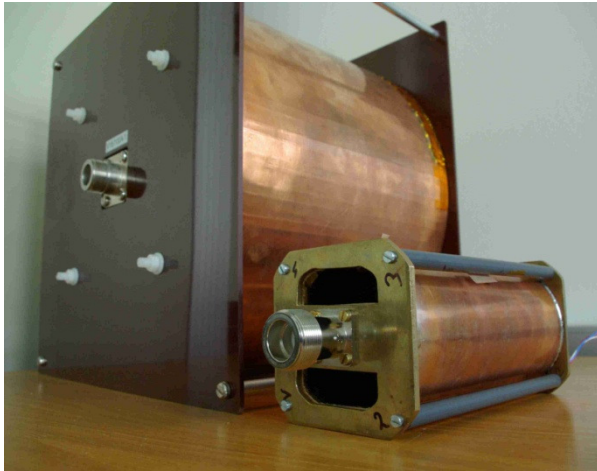
Manganine foil



## mechanical modification



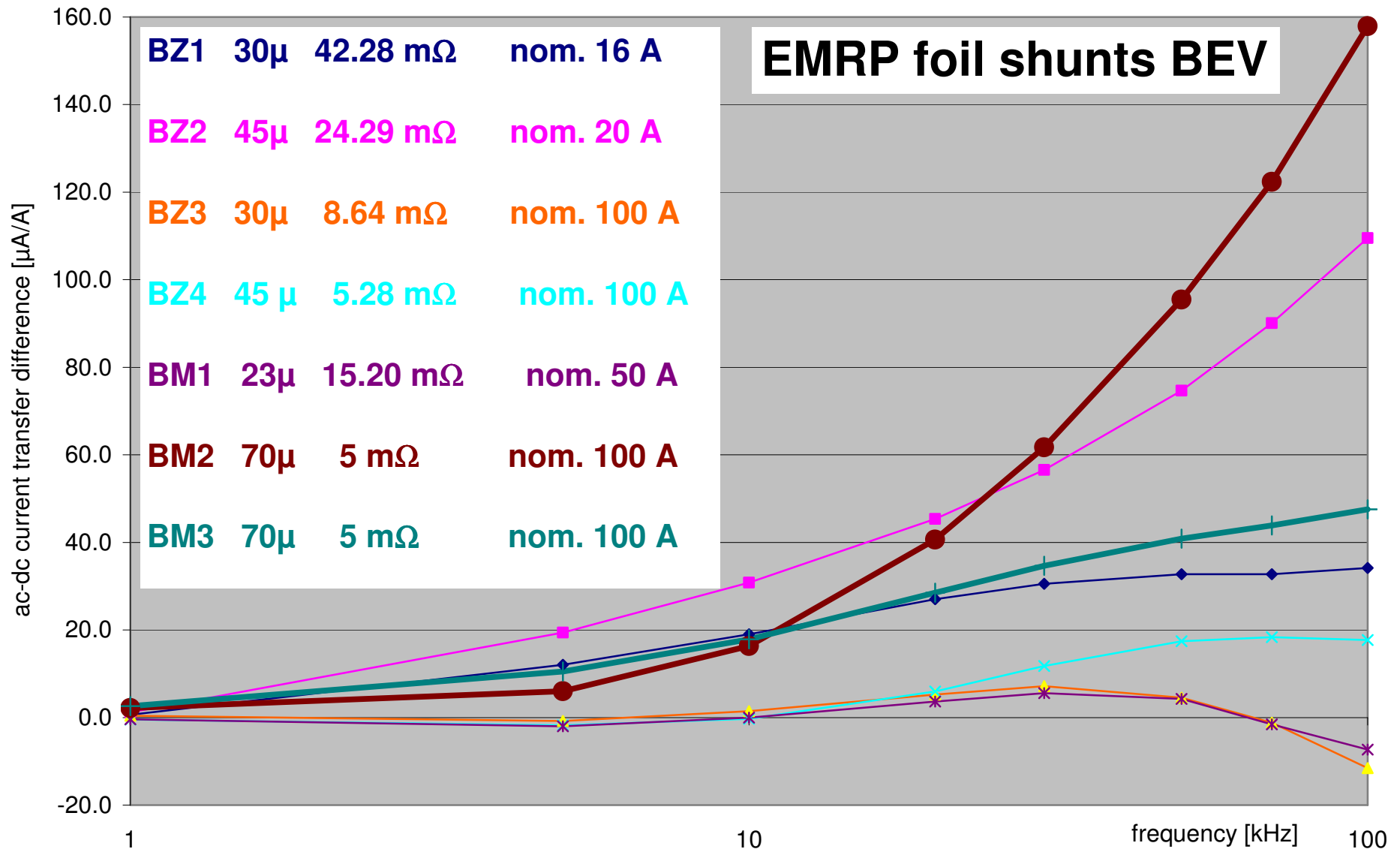
# temperature distribution forced air cooled foil shunts



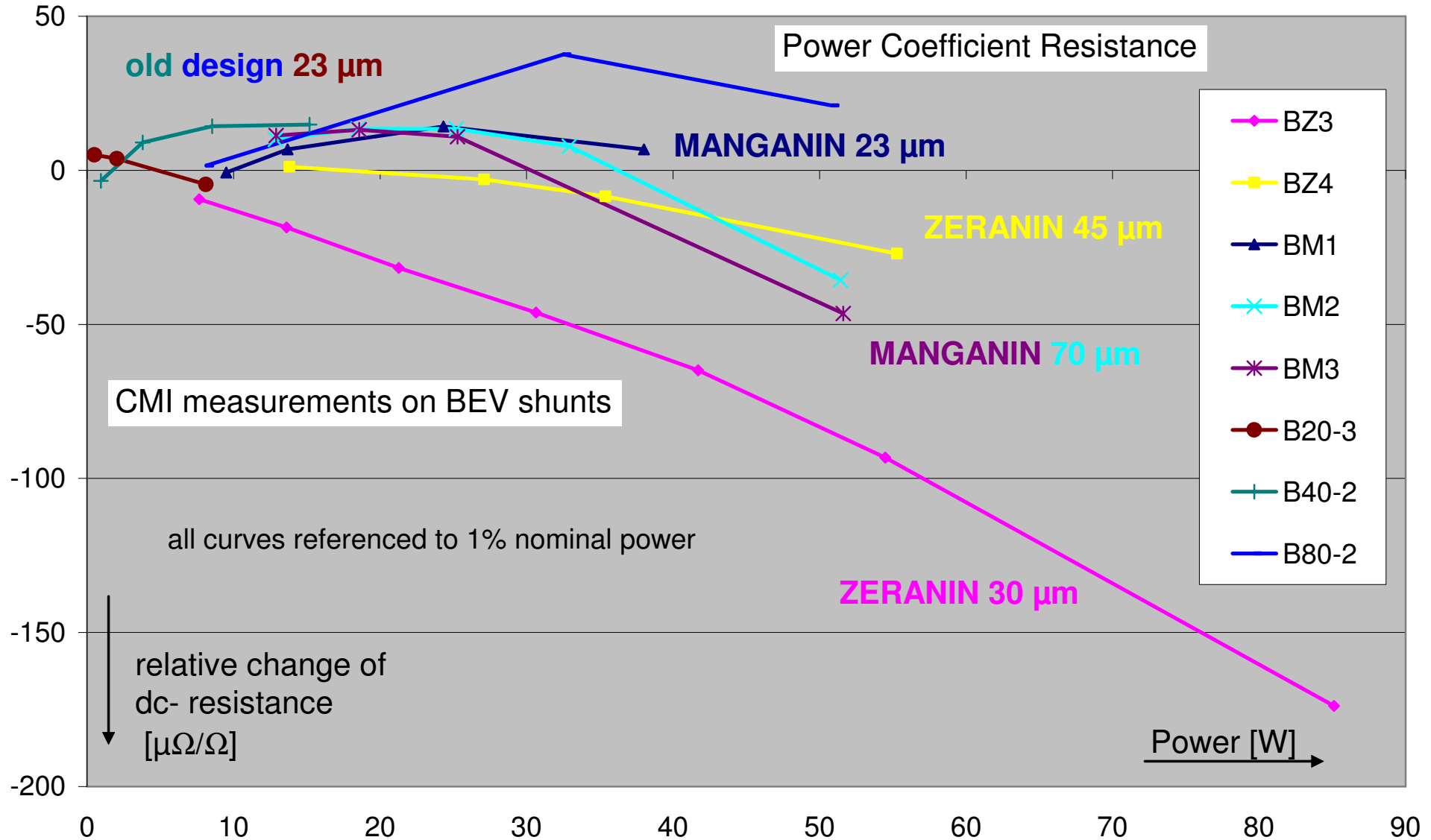
## EMRP Coaxial Foil Shunts



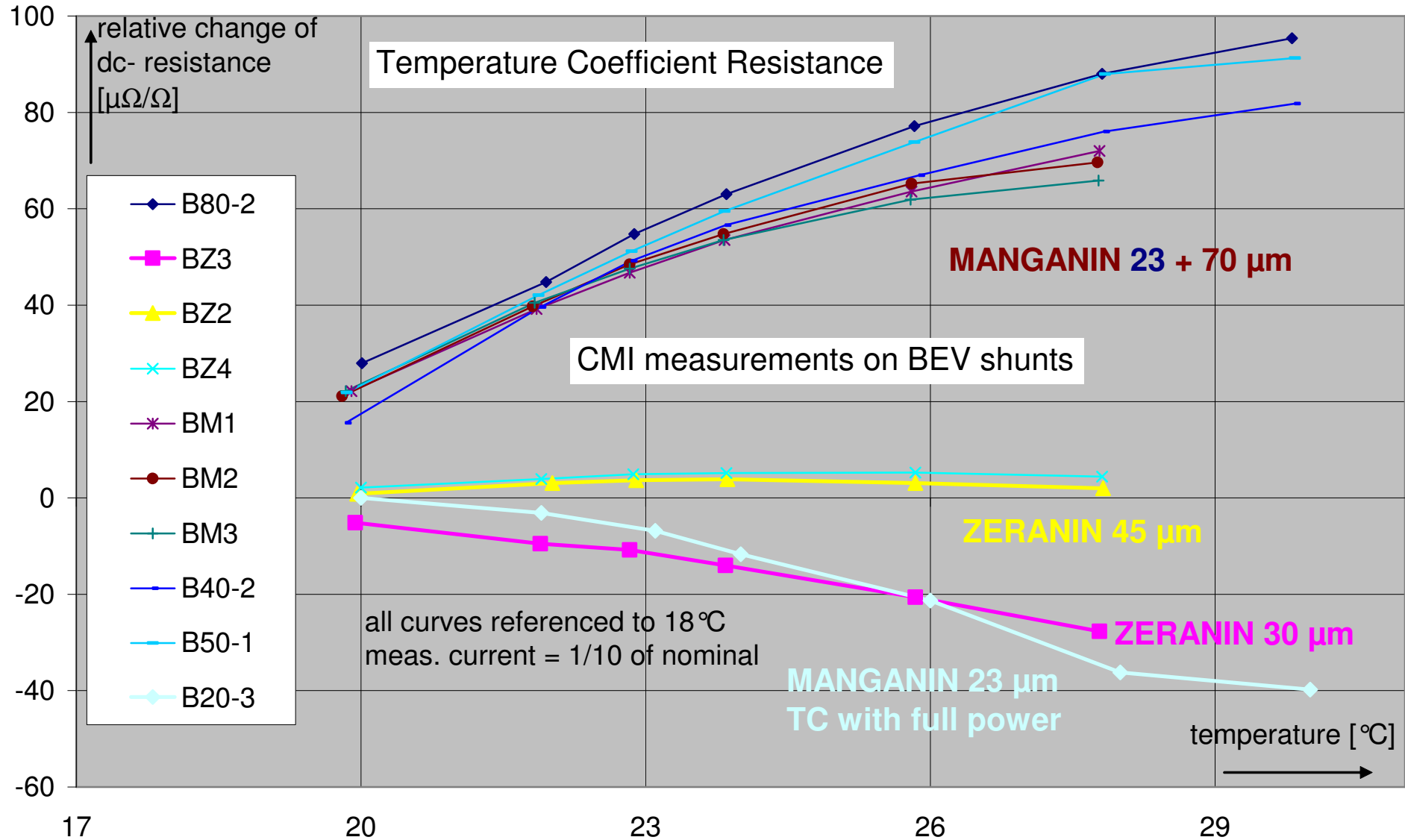
# coaxial foil shunts ac-dc values



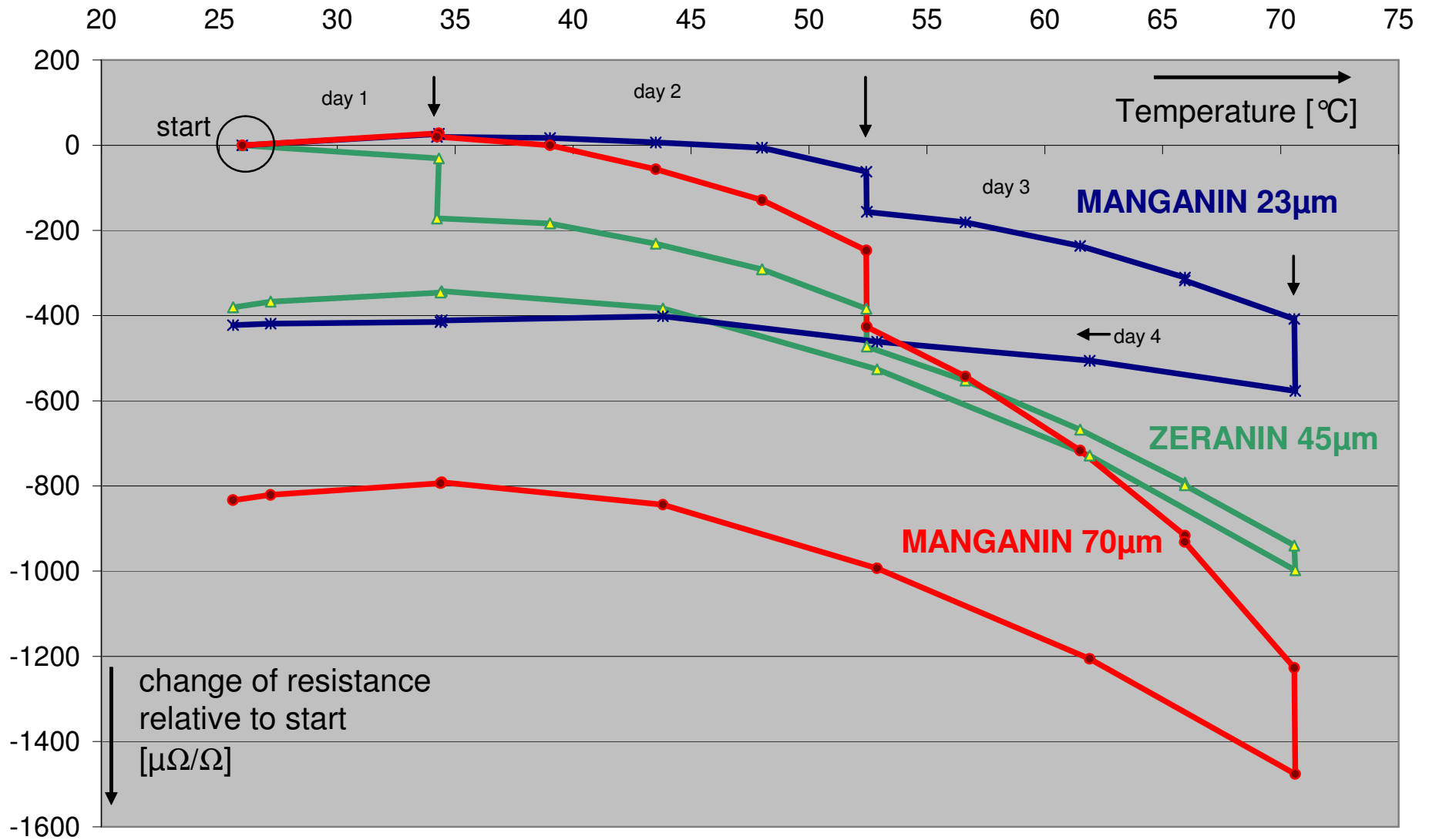
# DC - Power Coefficient



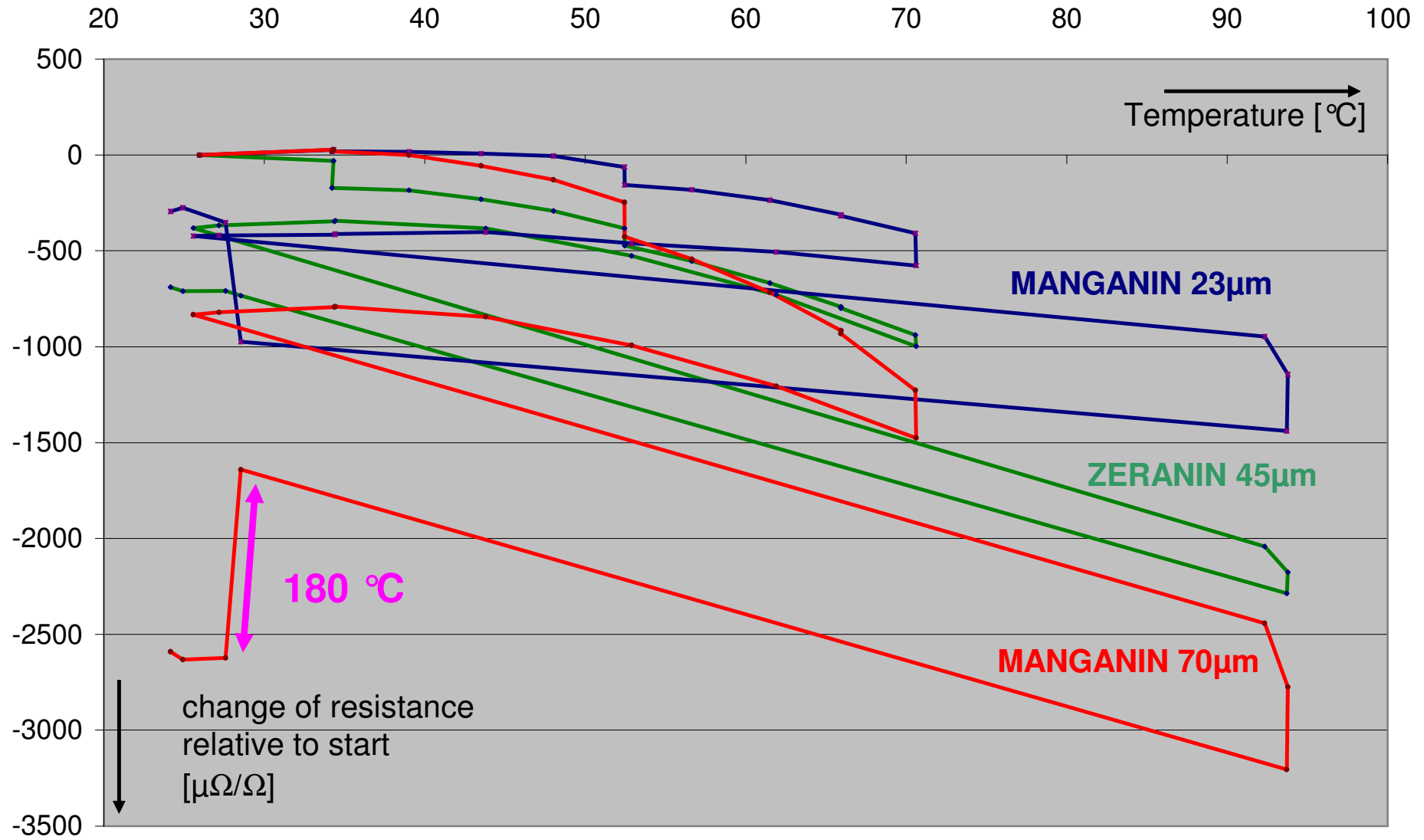
# DC - Temperature Coefficient 20...30 °C



# Temperature Coefficient 20...70 °C



# thermal treatment





## cage design versus foil design (>20 A...100 A)

	ac-dc	dc	phase
Cage Design	★ ★	★	★
Foil Design ★	★	★	★

### Measurements performed:

BEV: ac-dc; some dc

CMI: dc temperature + power coefficient; impedance measurements

INRIM: phase angle error measurements

SP: ac-dc; inductance; phase