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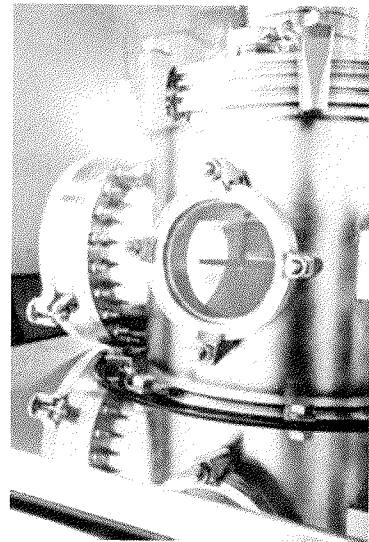
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- Software based pressure monitoring of the vacuum chamber with interlock limits
- Hardware interlock of the vacuum chamber over pressure
- Hardware interlock for overheating (touch safety: $-60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) of outer vacuum chamber wall
- Earthquake support legs of the reactor
- Emergency Off (EMO) buttons
- Hardware interlock of pneumatic lift crash

Software and hardware interlocks of hazardous chemicals

- Gas sensors to detect possible NH_3 and O_3 leaks
- Gas cabin for safe handling of high pressure gases and safe purging of gas lines
- TMA (trimethyl aluminium) cabin for pyrophoric chemicals
- Normally closed pneumatic valves (all valves closed if the pneumatic line burns)