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The NICA project at JINR, Dubna

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(for the NICA/MPD collaboration)



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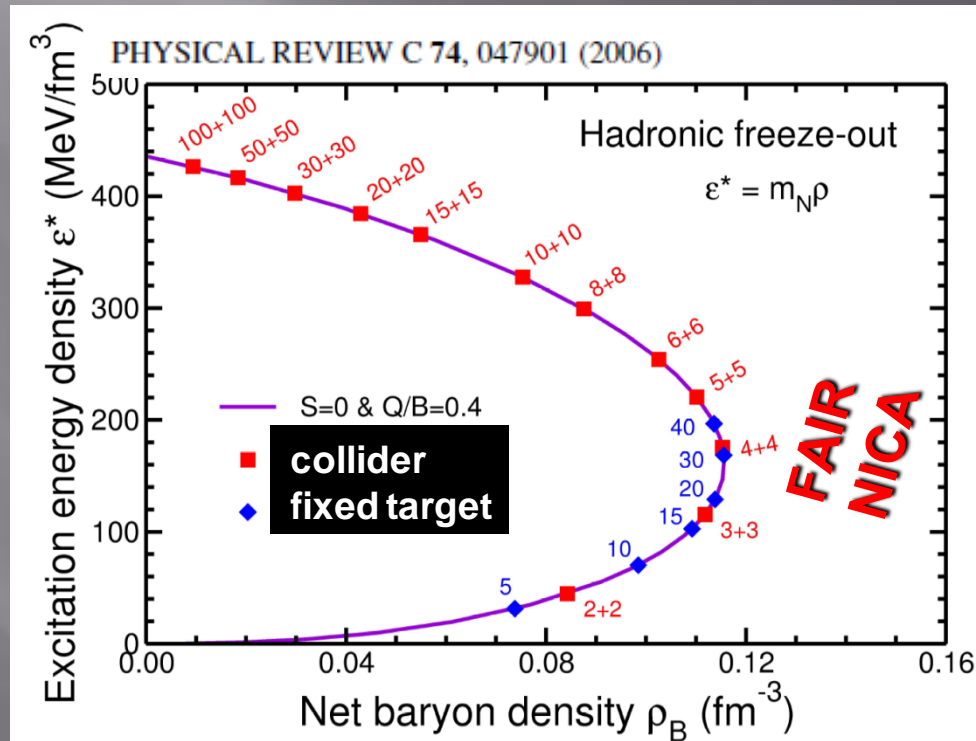
The Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility (NICA) at Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR), Dubna

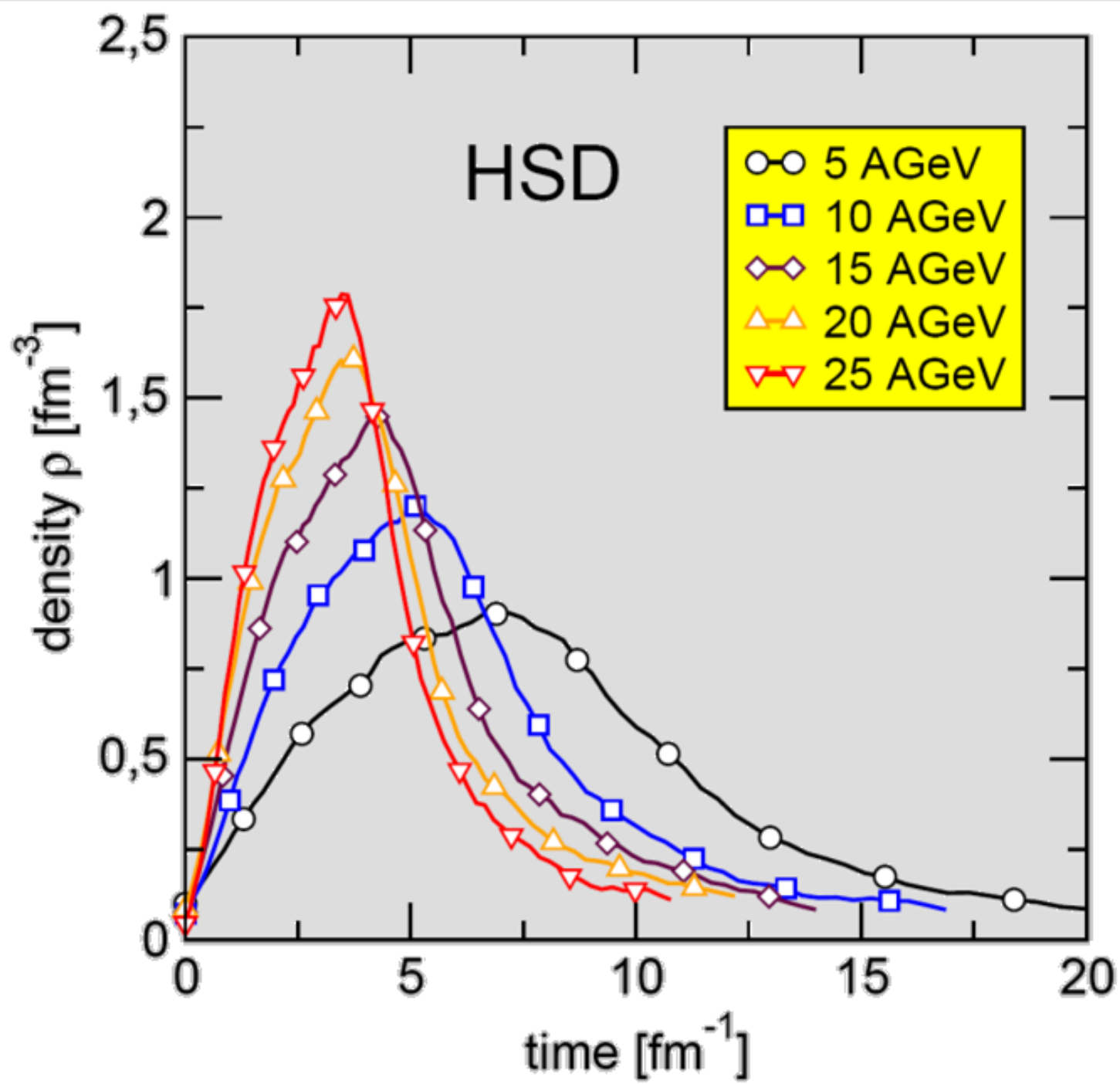
Main targets of “NICA Complex”:

- *study of hot and dense baryonic matter*
- *investigation of nucleon spin structure, polarization phenomena*
- *development of accelerator facility for HEP @ JINR providing intensive beams of relativistic ions from **p** to **Au** polarized **protons** and **deuterons** with max energy up to $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11 \text{ GeV (Au}^{79+})$ and $= 27 \text{ GeV (p)}$*

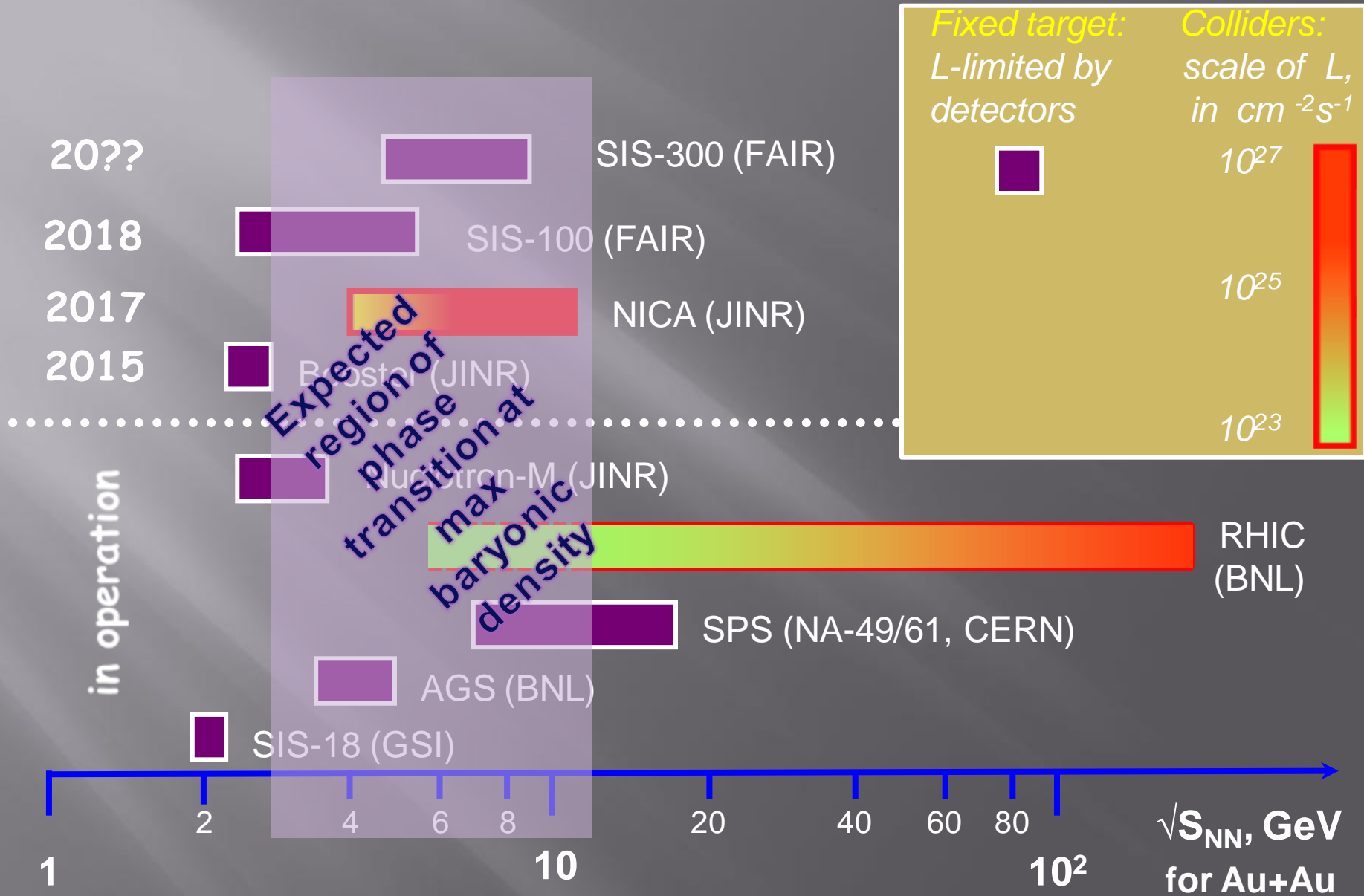
Highest baryon density at Lab

System of maximal net baryon (freeze-out) density is created in A+A collisions at NICA energies → optimum for the compressed baryon matter exploration



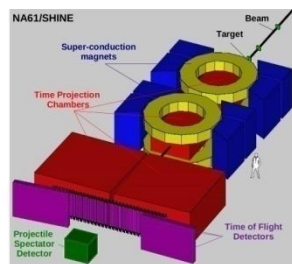
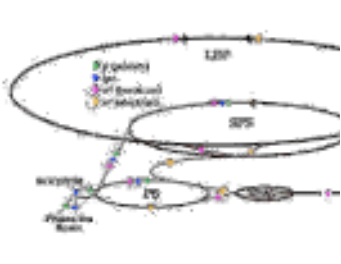
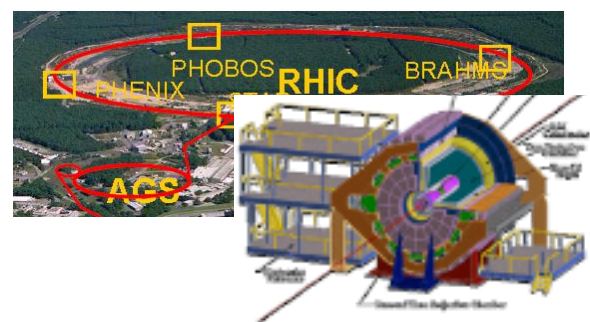


Existing & Future HI Machines



2nd generation HI experiments

BES STAR/PHENIX@BNL/RHIC

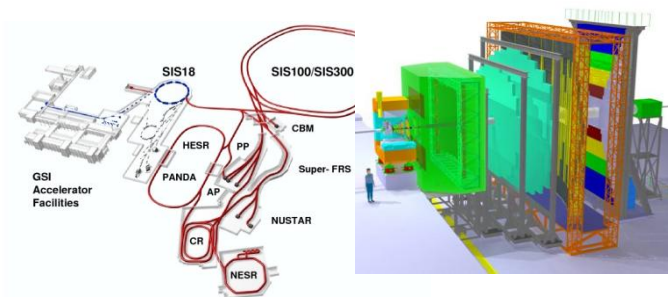


NA61@CERN/SPS

3rd generation HI experiments

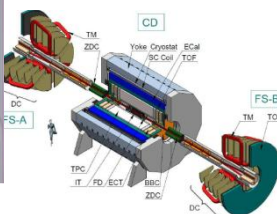
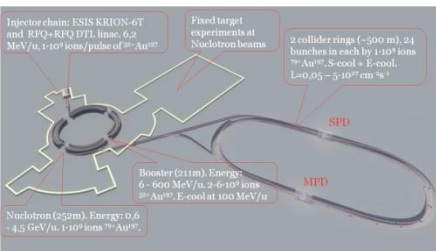
CBM@FAIR/SIS-100/300

Fixed target, $E/A=10-40$ GeV, highest intensity

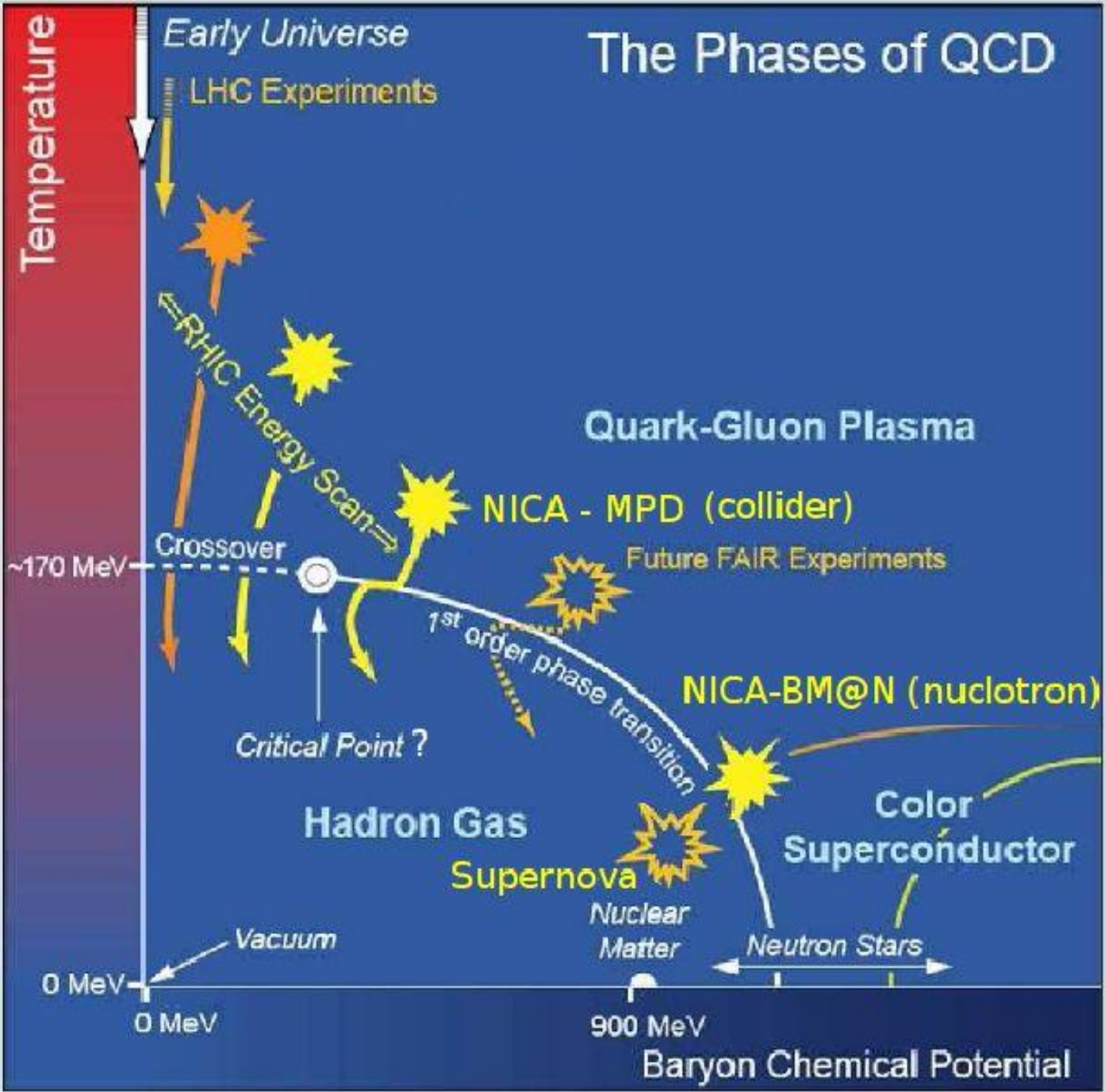


MPD@JINR/NICA

Collider, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4-11$ GeV, $L \sim 10^{27}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹ for Au⁷⁹⁺



The Phases of QCD



Dense QCD Matter Physics

- **Nuclear equation-of-state, new forms of matter at high densities?**
What are the properties and the degrees of freedom of QCD matter at neutron star core densities?
- **Hadrons in dense matter:**
What are the in-medium properties of hadrons?
Is chiral symmetry restored at very high baryon densities?
- **Production of single and double hypernuclei**
How far can we extend the third (strange) dimension of the nuclear chart?
- **Strange matter:**
Does strange matter exist in the form of heavy multi-strange objects?

Physics Topics and Observables

The equation-of-state at high ρ_B

- collective flow of hadrons
- particle production at threshold energies (multistrange hyperons)

Deconfinement phase transition at high ρ_B

- excitation function and flow of strangeness ($K, \Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi, \Omega$)
- excitation function of low-mass lepton pairs

QCD critical endpoint

- excitation function of dynamical event-by-event fluctuations

Onset of chiral symmetry restoration at high ρ_B

- in-medium modifications of hadrons ($\rho, \omega, \phi \rightarrow e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-)$)

Strange matter

- (double-) lambda hypernuclei
- strange meta-stable objects (e.g. strange dibaryons)

Experiments on superdense nuclear matter

Experiments	Energy range (Au/Pb beams)	Reaction rates Hz
STAR@RHIC BNL	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7 - 200 \text{ GeV}$	1 - 800 (limitation by luminosity)
NA61@SPS CERN	$E_{kin} = 20 - 160 \text{ A GeV}$ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 6.4 - 17.4 \text{ GeV}$	80 (limitation by detector)
MPD@NICA Dubna	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4.0 - 11.0 \text{ GeV}$	~7000 (design luminosity of $10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ for heavy ions)
CBM@FAIR Darmstadt	$E_{kin} = 2.0 - 35 \text{ A GeV}$ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.7 - 8.3 \text{ GeV}$	$10^5 - 10^7$ (limitation by detector)

Experiments on superdense nuclear matter

Experiments	Observables for high baryon density region			
	hadrons	correlations, fluctuations with high statistics	dileptons	charm
STAR @RHIC BNL	yes	no	no	no
NA61 @SPS CERN	yes	no	no	no
MPD @NICA Dubna	yes	yes	yes	no
CBM @FAIR Darmstadt	yes	yes	yes	yes

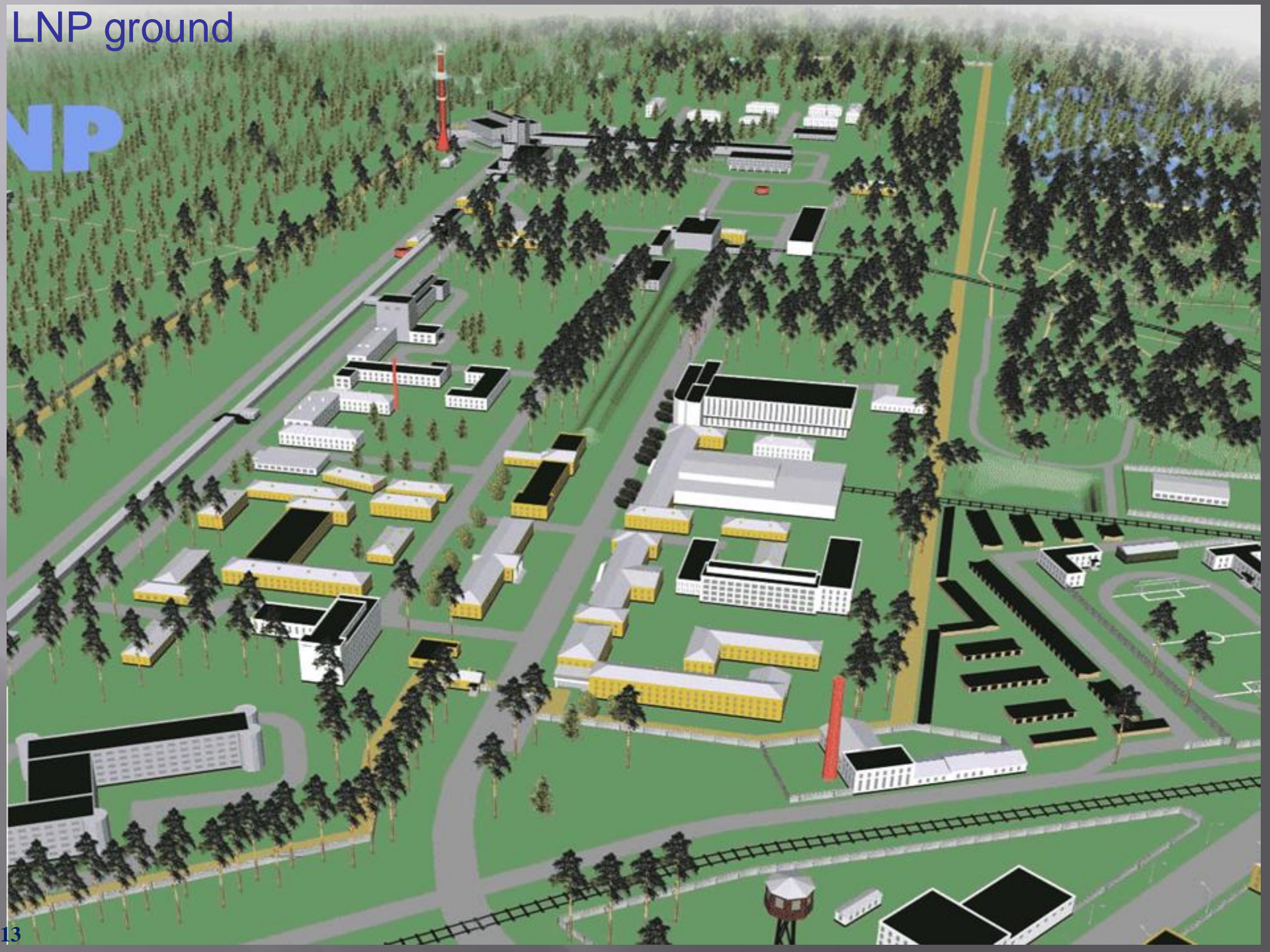
Advantage of collider experiments:
Uniform phase-space coverage when measuring excitation functions.

NICA site



LNP ground

LNP



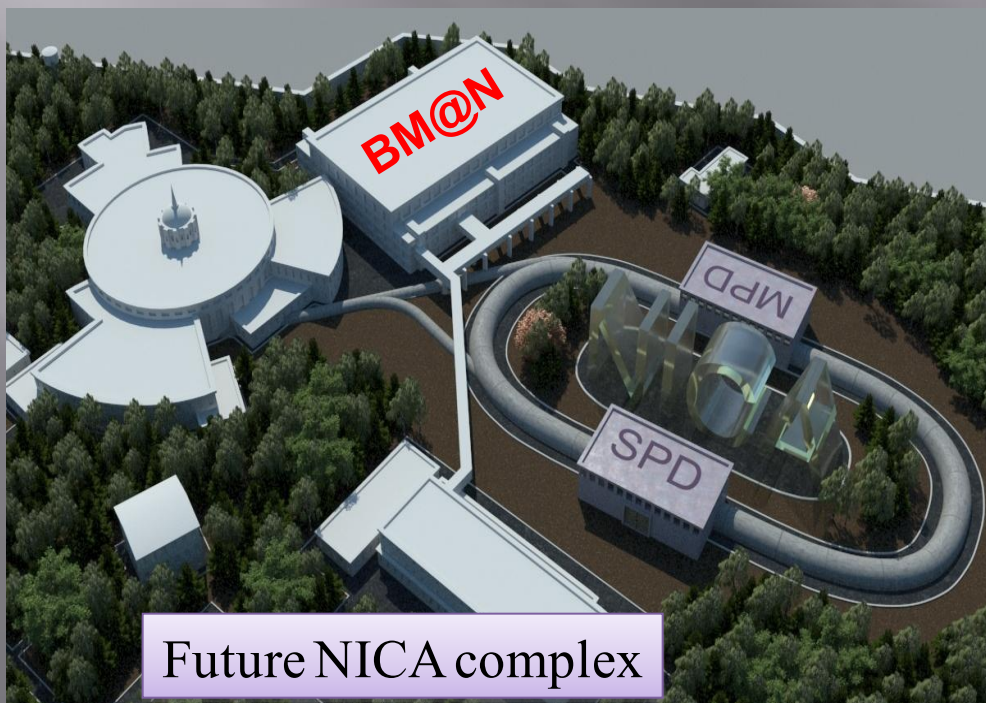




Nuclotron



LHEP JINR

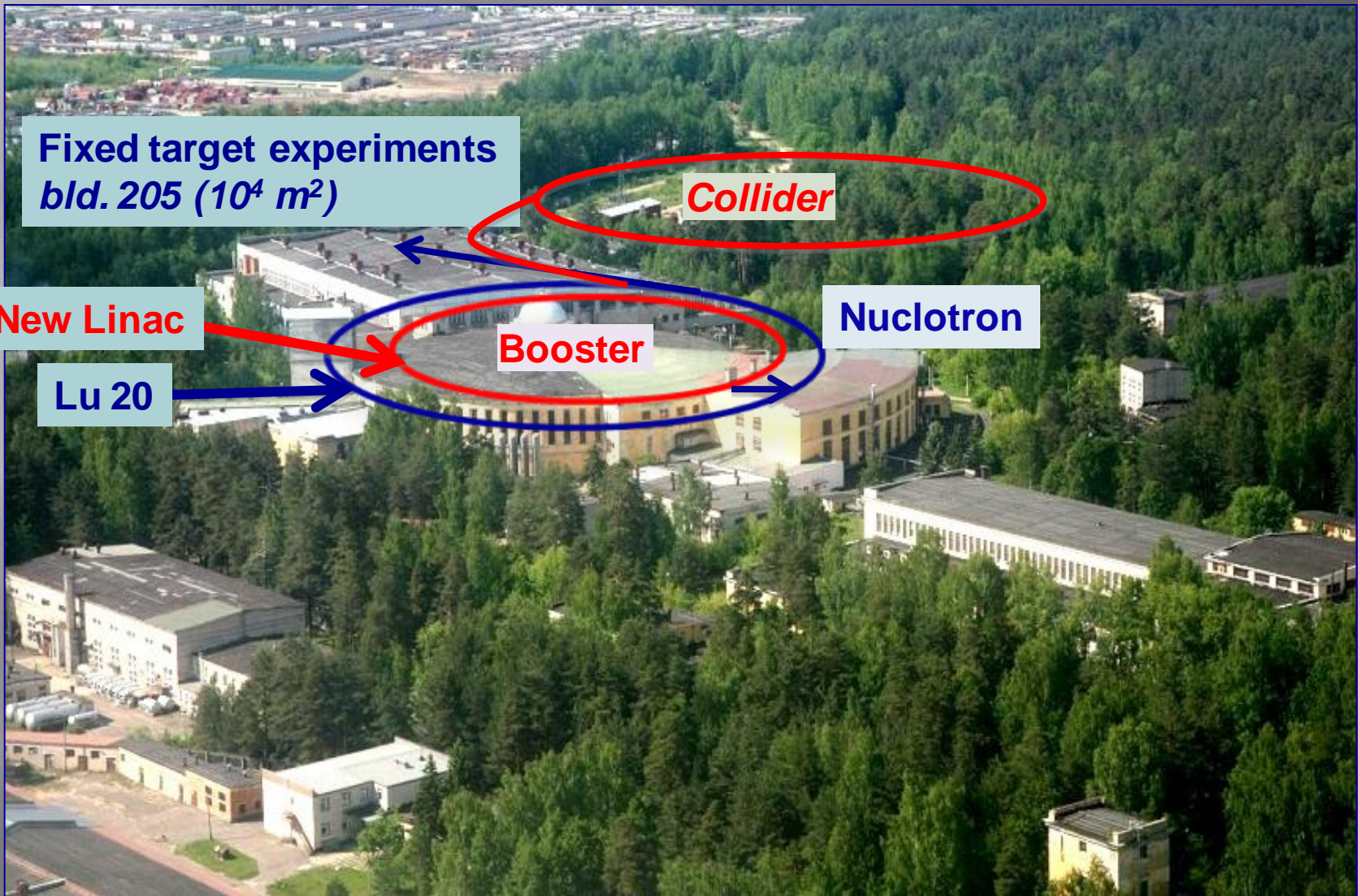


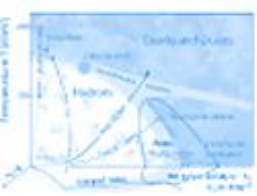
Future NICA complex



Synchrophasotron

Nuclotron-based Ion Collider Facility (NICA)





- 1a) Heavy ion colliding beams $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+} \times ^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$ at
 $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 11 \text{ GeV}$ (1 \div 4.5 GeV/u ion kinetic energy)
 at **Lverage**= $1\text{E}27 \text{ cm}^{-2}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ (at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 9 \text{ GeV}$)
- 1b) Light-Heavy ion colliding beams of the same energy range and luminosity
- 2) Polarized beams of protons and deuterons in collider mode:
 $p\uparrow p\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 12 \div 27 \text{ GeV}$ (5 \div 12.6 GeV kinetic energy)
 $d\uparrow d\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 13.8 \text{ GeV}$ (2 \div 5.9 GeV/u ion kinetic energy)
Lverage $\geq 1\text{E}30 \text{ cm}^{-2}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ (at $\sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 27 \text{ GeV}$)
- 3) The beams of light ions and polarized protons and deuterons for fixed target experiments:
 $\text{Li} \div \text{Au} = 1 \div 4.5 \text{ GeV /u}$ ion kinetic energy
 $p, p\uparrow = 5 \div 12.6 \text{ GeV}$ kinetic energy
 $d, d\uparrow = 2 \div 5.9 \text{ GeV/u}$ ion kinetic energy
- 4) Applied research with ion beams at kinetic energy
 from 0.5 GeV/u up to 12.6 GeV (**p**) and 4.5 GeV /u (**Au**)

Superconducting accelerator complex **NICA**

(**N**uclotron based **I**on **C**ollider **f**Acility)

2-nd IP - open
for proposals

Fixed target experiments
area (b.205)

Extracted beams from
Nuclotron

Nuclotron

KRION-6T
and HILac
(3,5 MeV/u)

SPP and
LU-20
(5 MeV/u)

Cryogenics

Nuclotron
0,6-4,5 GeV/u

Booster (3-660 MeV/u)
inside Synchrotron
yoke

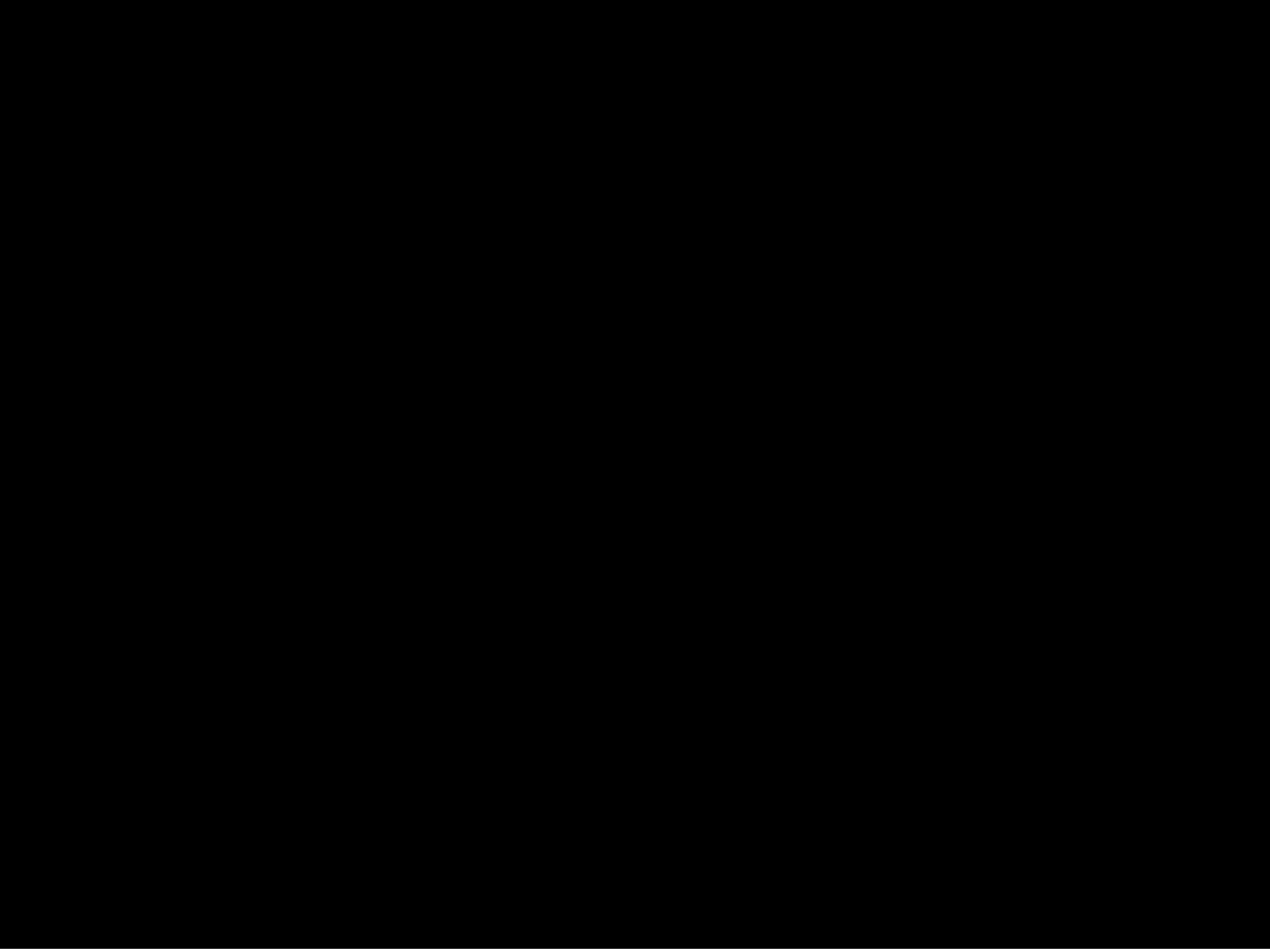
NICA Collider
(1-4,5 GeV/u, C~500 m)

HV
e-cooler

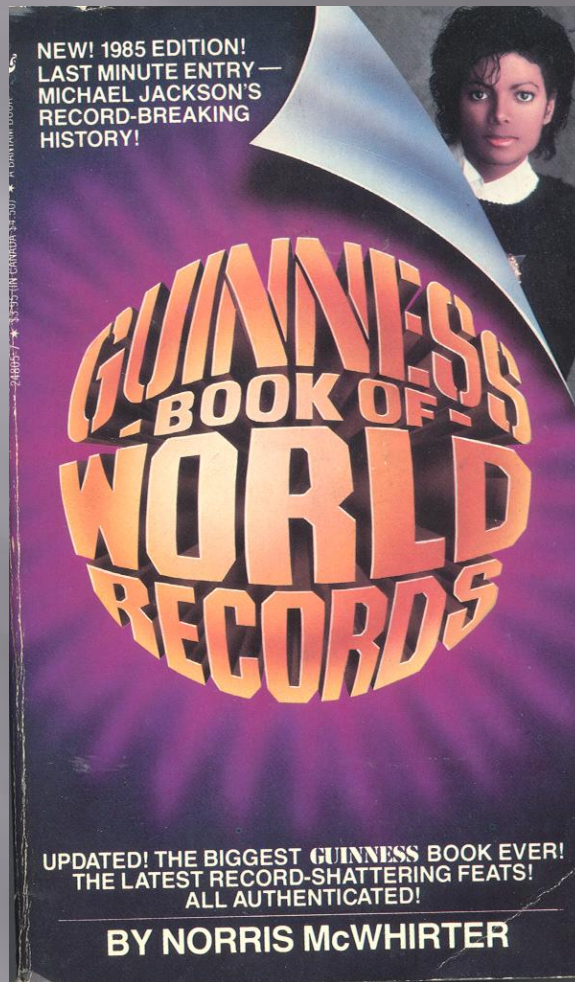
Multi-Purpose
Detector (MPD)

NICA Collider parameters:

- Energy range: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4-11 \text{ GeV}$
- Beams: from p to Au
- Luminosity: $L \sim 10^{27} \text{ (Au)}, 10^{32} \text{ (p)}$
- Detectors: MPD; Waiting for **Proposals**







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Heaviest Magnet

The heaviest magnet is one measuring 196 ft in diameter, with a weight of 40,000 tons, for the 10 GeV synchrophasotron in the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research at Dubna, near Moscow.

SC magnet production for NICA (booster, collider) & FAIR



Dipole magnet in cryostat



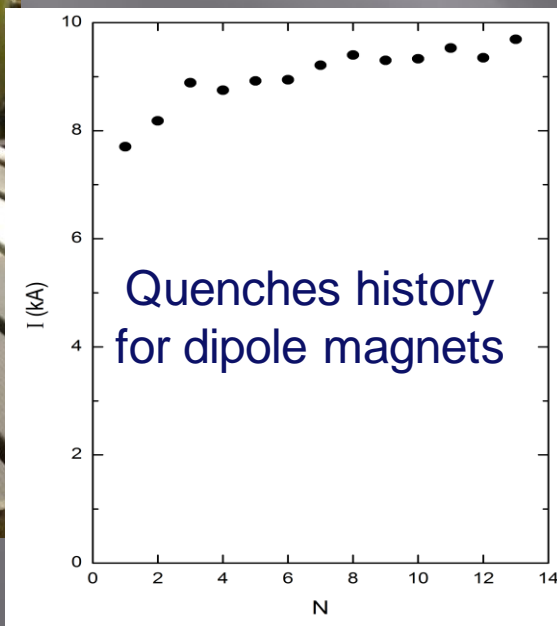
yoke of quadrupole lens after final treatment

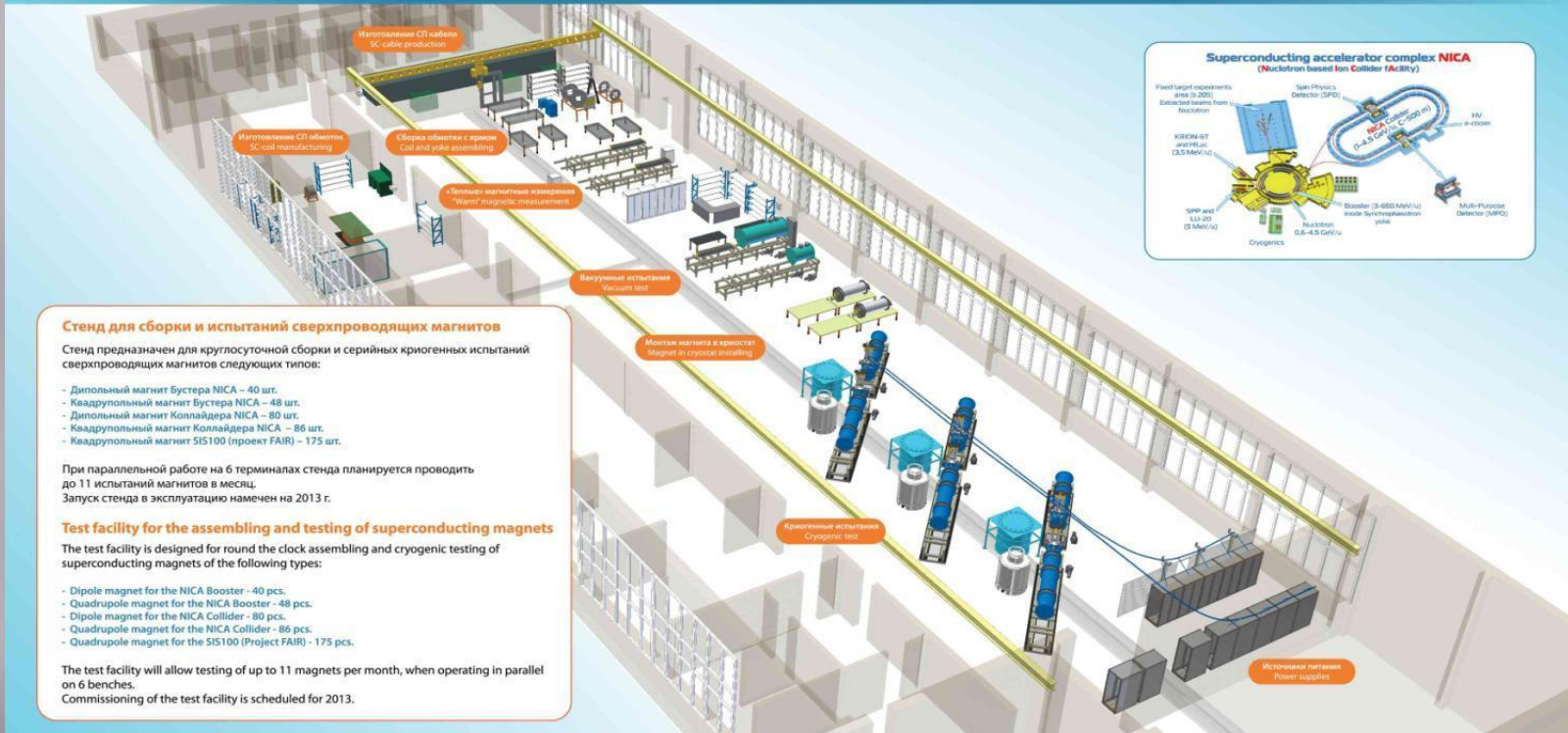


Dipole magnet for collider



Prototype of curved dipole





Стенд для сборки и испытаний сверхпроводящих магнитов

Стенд предназначен для круглосуточной сборки и серийных криогенных испытаний сверхпроводящих магнитов следующих типов:

- Дипольный магнит Бустера NICA – 40 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит Бустера NICA – 48 шт.
- Дипольный магнит Коллайдера NICA – 80 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит Коллайдера NICA – 86 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит SIS100 (проект FAIR) – 175 шт.

При параллельной работе на 6 терминалах стенда планируется проводить до 11 испытаний магнитов в месяц.
Запуск стенда в эксплуатацию намечен на 2013 г.

Test facility for the assembling and testing of superconducting magnets

The test facility is designed for round the clock assembling and cryogenic testing of superconducting magnets of the following types:

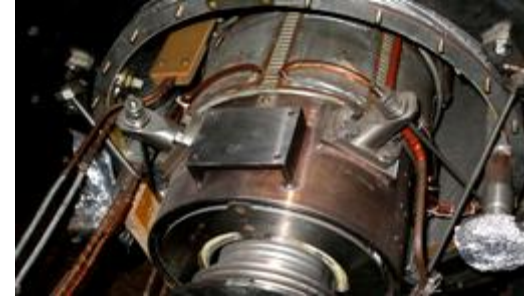
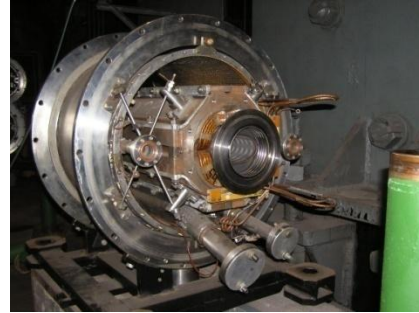
- Dipole magnet for the NICA Booster - 40 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the NICA Booster - 48 pcs.
- Dipole magnet for the NICA Collider - 80 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the NICA Collider - 86 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the SIS100 (Project FAIR) - 175 pcs.

The test facility will allow testing of up to 11 magnets per month, when operating in parallel on 6 benches.
Commissioning of the test facility is scheduled for 2013.



The building is ready for the equipment installation

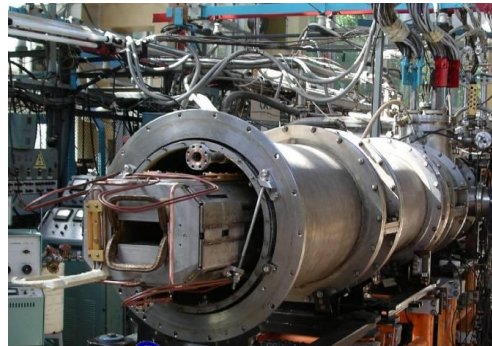
Constructing and Testing JINR Experience



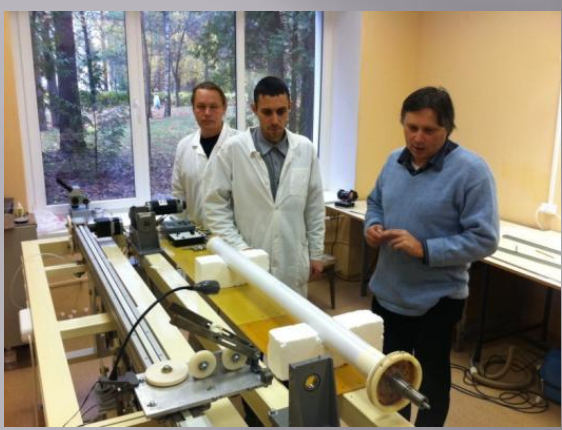
**160 SC dipole and quadrupole magnets for the Nuclotron:
construction, test and operation since 1993.**

26 model magnets for SIS100

**SIS100 prototype dipole and prototype
quadrupole magnets**



Modern SC technologies + unique accelerator physics at JINR



Highly charged ion state for heavy ions with high intensity, e.g., Kr 28+, Xe 44+, Au 65+..32+



Quadrupole and curved Dipole magnet for booster



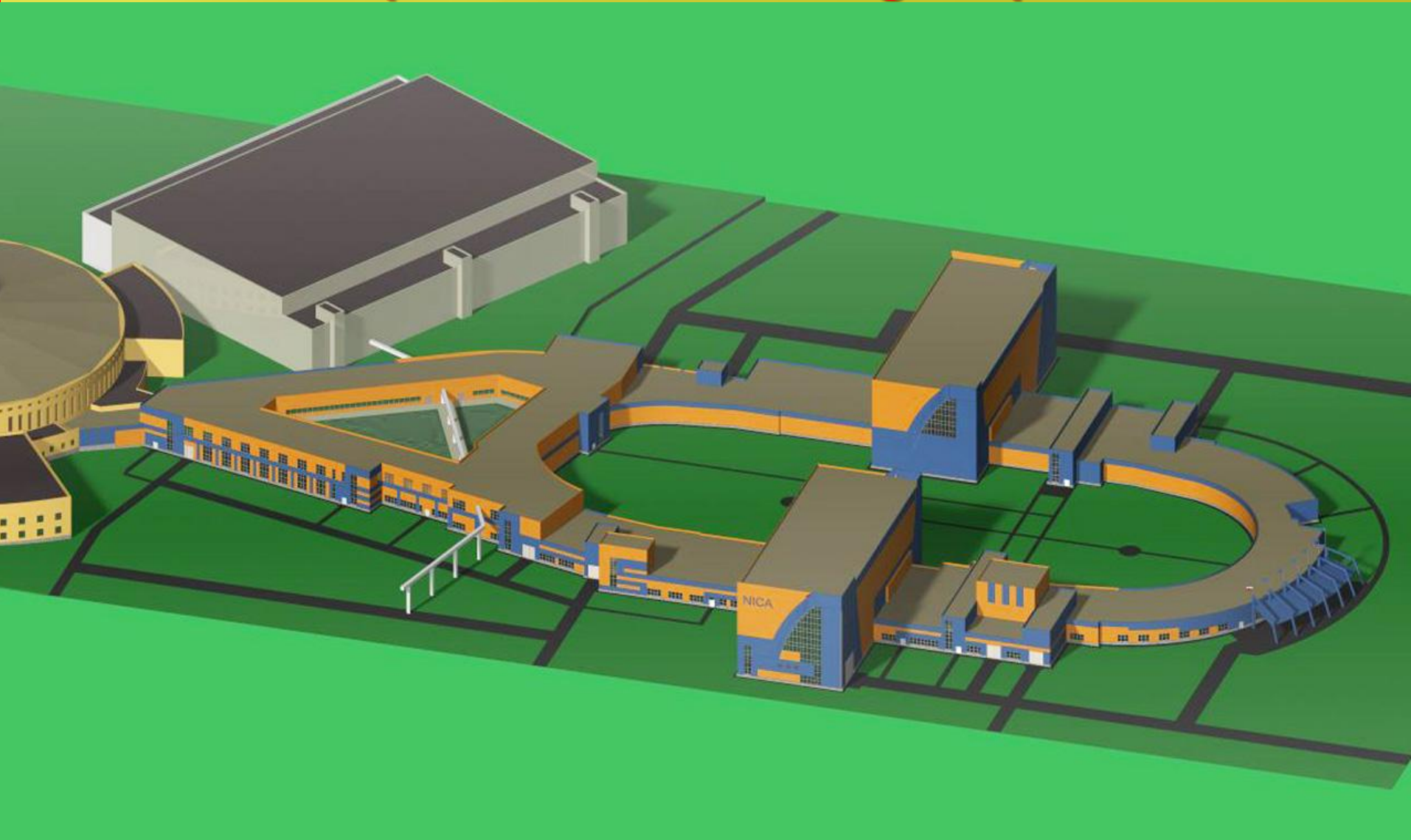
Dipole magnet for NICA collider



New Source of Polarized Ions (≤ 10 mA for $\uparrow D^+$ ($\uparrow H^+$)) assembled and first test has been started.



NICA complex technical design report status



Geological, geodetical, topography measurements and drillings had been fulfilled and analyzed. Technological part of the TDR (main equipment, engineering systems, etc), radiation and environmental safety, architecture had been fulfilled. Now – the final stage: capital spending sights. Plan – to submit all documents to the State Expertise – end of 2012

NICA TDR



MultiPurpose Detector (MPD): Observables

I stage: mid rapidity region (**good performance**)

- ❑ Particle yields and spectra ($\pi, K, p, \text{clusters}, \Lambda, \Xi, \Omega$)
- ❑ Event-by-event fluctuations
- ❑ Femtoscopy involving π, K, p, Λ
- ❑ Collective flows for identified hadron species
- ❑ Electromagnetic probes (electrons, gammas)

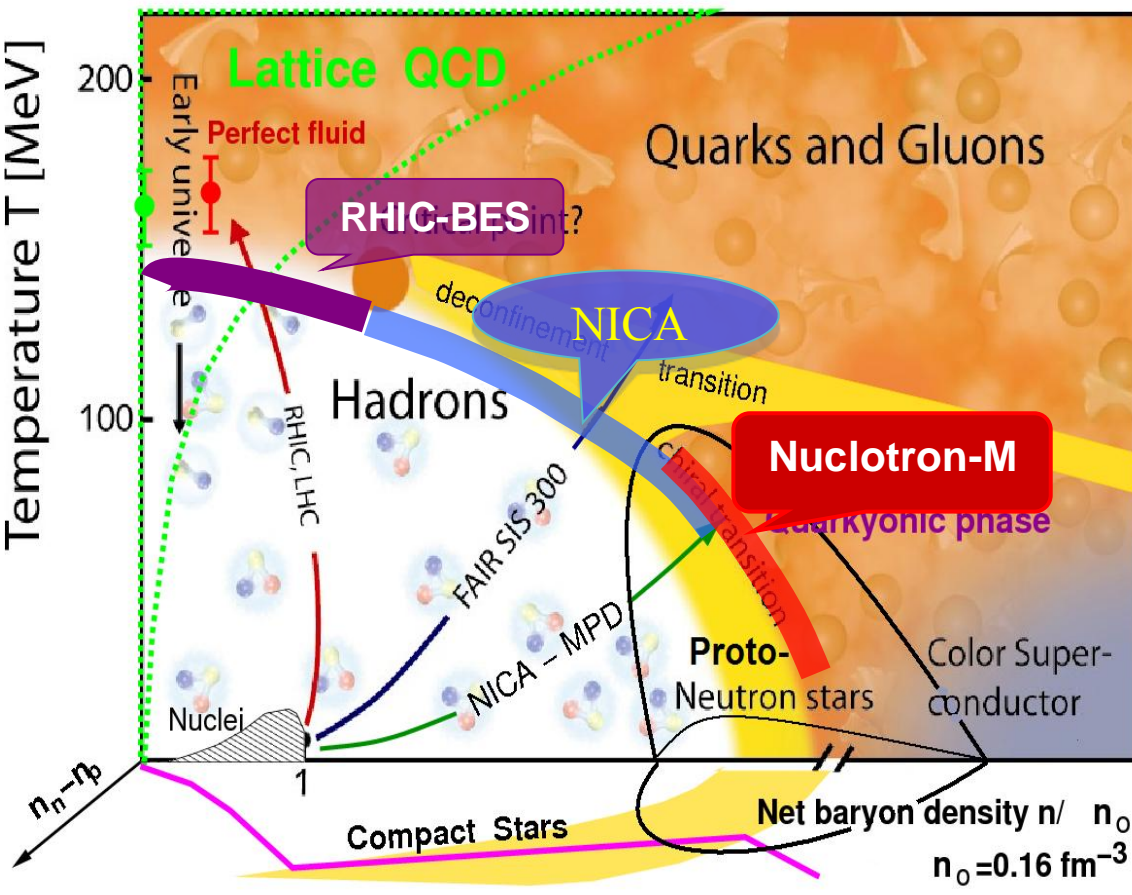
II stage: extended rapidity + IT

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- ❑ Total particle multiplicities
- ❑ Asymmetries study (**better reaction plane determination**)
- ❑ Di-Lepton **precise** study (**ECal expansion**)
- ❑ Exotics (soft photons, hypernuclei)

Measurements regarded as complementary to RHIC/BES, CERN/NA61 & FAIR

QCD phase diagram: prospects for NICA

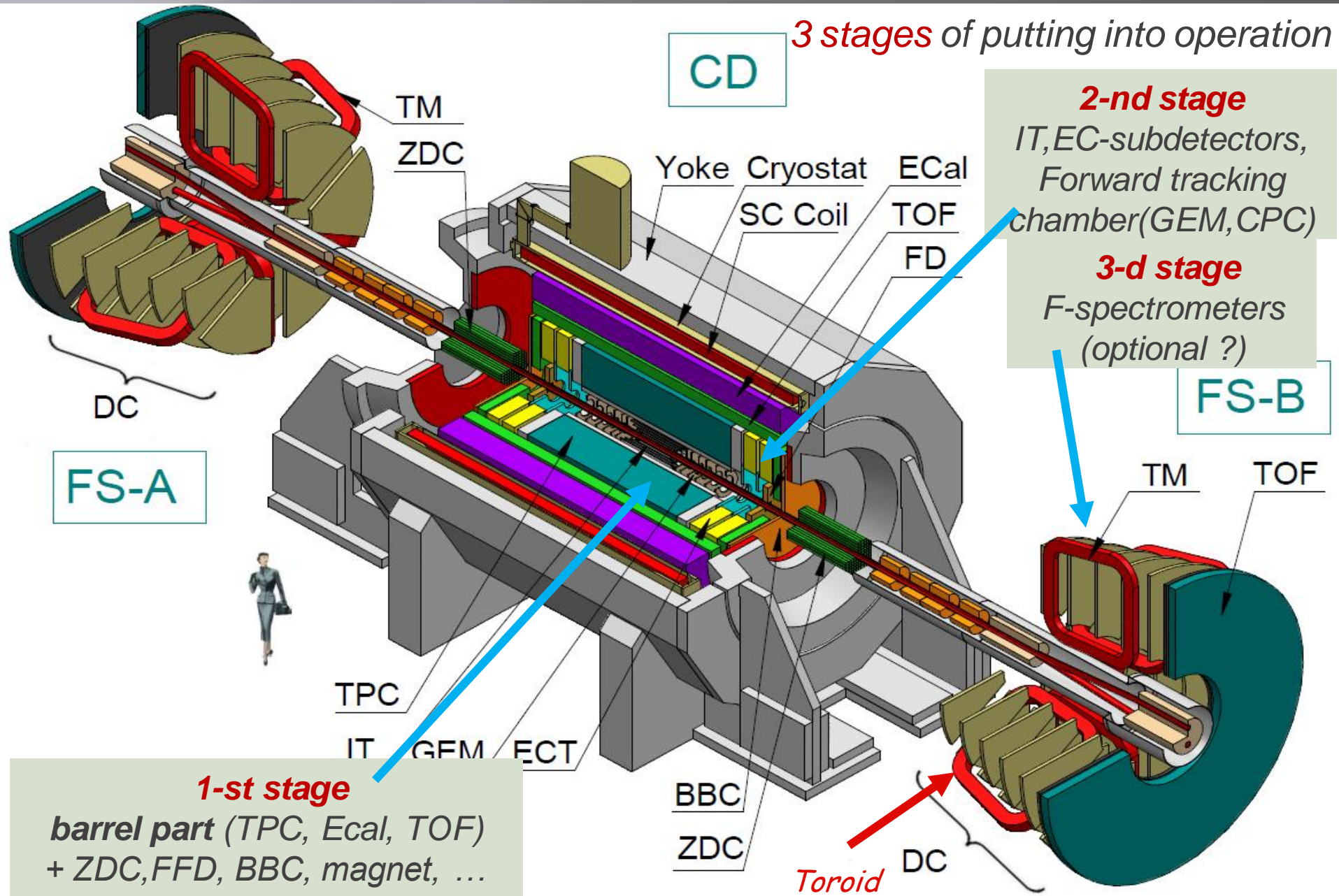


Energy Range of NICA
unexplored region of the QCD phase diagram:

- Highest net baryon density
- Onset of deconfinement phase transition
- Discovery potential:
 - a) Critical End Point (CEP)
 - b) Chiral Symmetry Restoration
 - c) Hypothetic Quarkyonic phase
- Complementary to the RHIC/BES, NA61/CERN, CBM/FAIR and Nuclotron-M experimental programs

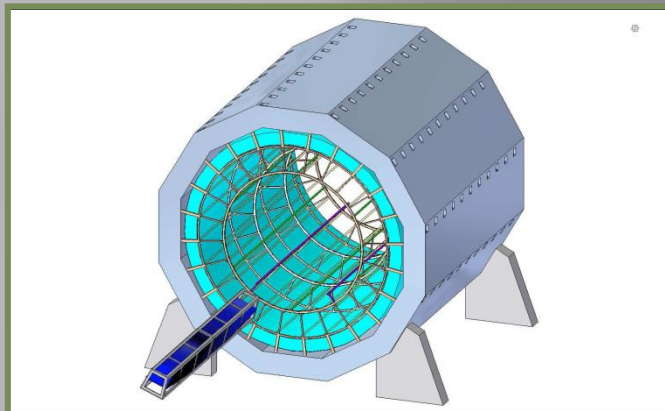
Comprehensive experimental program requires scan over the QCD phase diagram by varying collision parameters: system size, beam energy and collision centrality. NICA provides capabilities for studying a variety of phenomena in a large region of the phase diagram.

MultiPurpose Detector (MPD)

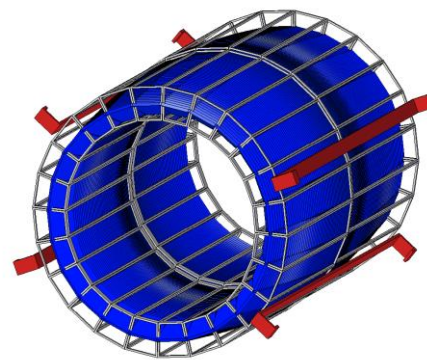


Assembly & maintenance

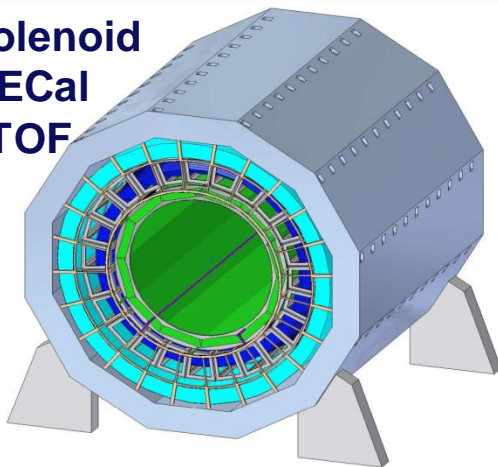
Solenoid + ECal



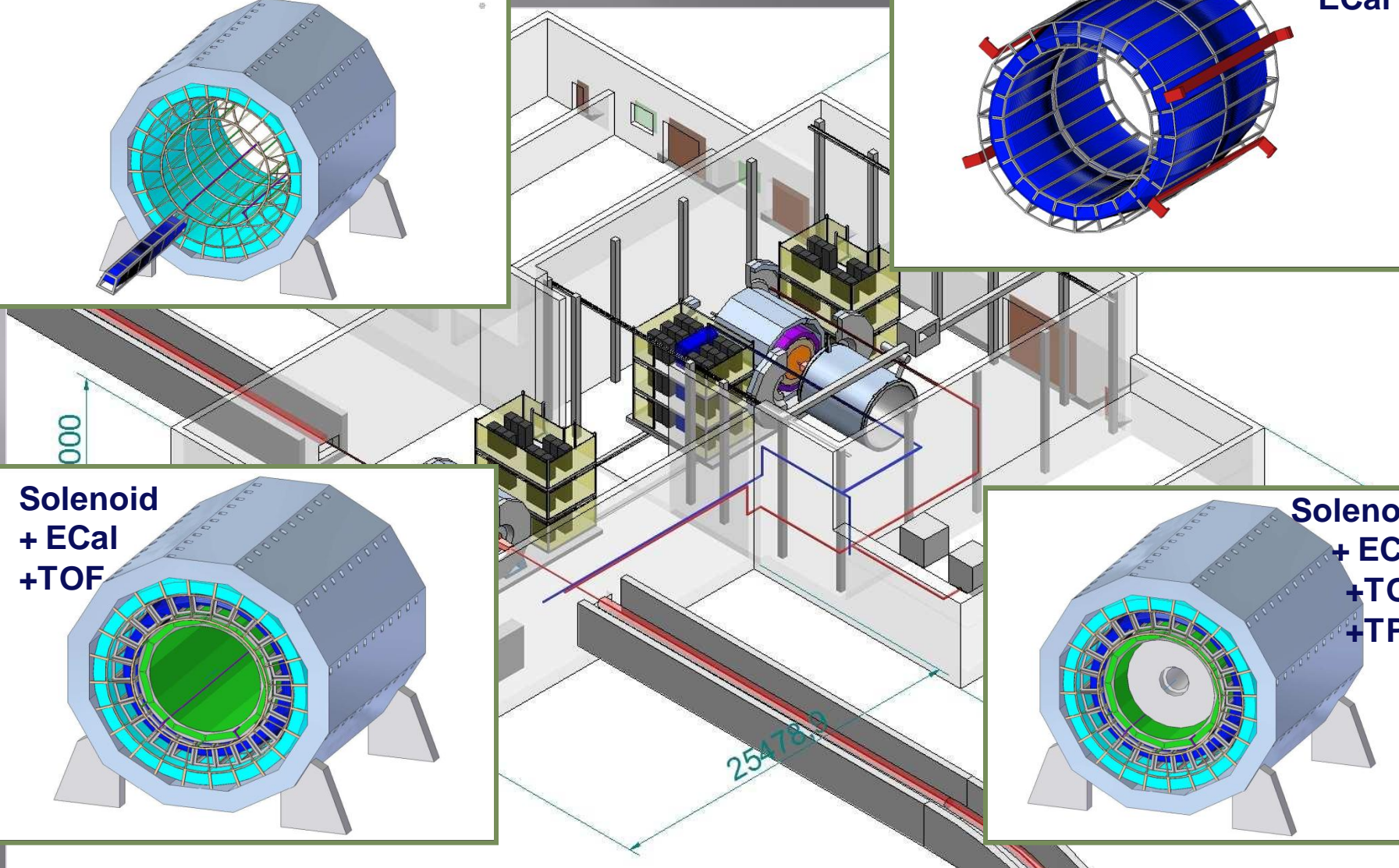
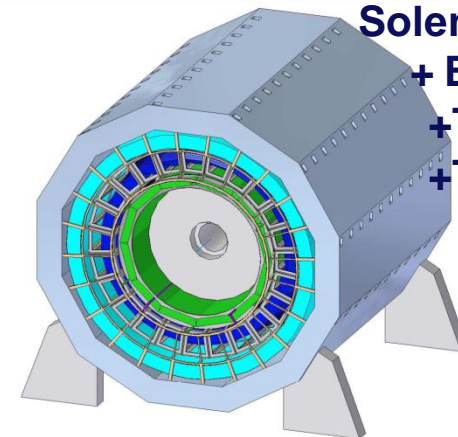
ECal



Solenoid
+ ECal
+ TOF



Solenoid
+ ECal
+ TOF
+ TPC



Particle yields, Au+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8 \text{ GeV}$ (central collisions)

Expectations for 10 weeks of running at $L = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (duty factor = 0.5)

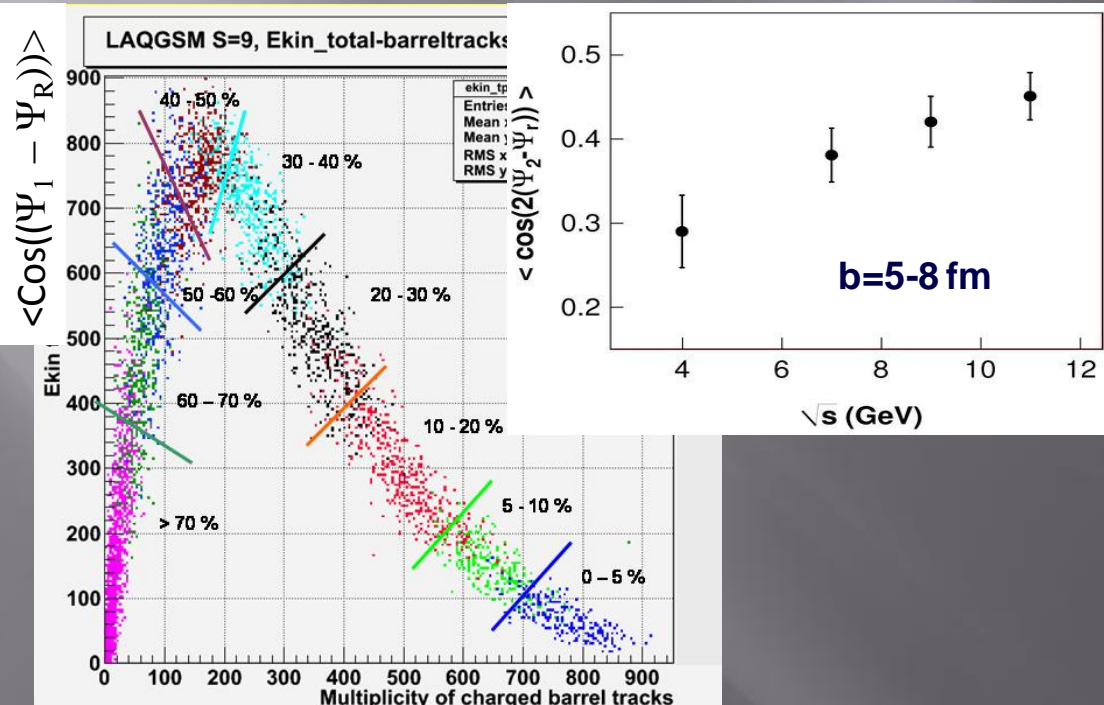
Particle	Yields		Decay mode	BR	*Effic. %	Yield/10 w
	4π	$y=0$				
π^+	293	97	----	---	61	$2.6 \cdot 10^{11}$
K^+	59	20	---	----	50	$4.3 \cdot 10^{10}$
p	140	41	---	----	60	$1.2 \cdot 10^{11}$
ρ	31	17	e+e-	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	35	$7.3 \cdot 10^5$
ω	20	11	e+e-	$7.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	35	$7.2 \cdot 10^5$
ϕ	2.6	1.2	e+e-	$3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	35	$1.7 \cdot 10^5$
Ω	0.14	0.1	ΛK	0.68	2	$2.7 \cdot 10^6$
D^0	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$K^+\pi^-$	0.038	20	$2.2 \cdot 10^4$
J/ψ	$8 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	e+e-	0.06	15	10^3

*Efficiency includes the MPD acceptance, realistic tracking and particle ID. Particle yields are from experimental data (NA49), statistical and HSD models. Efficiency from MPD simulations. Typical efficiency from published data (STAR)

Reaction plane determination & flow study

- ✓ v_2 in TPC & v_1 at high rapidities
(a possibility for improvement)
- ✓ v_2 in TPC by a 'two sub-events'
to avoid autocorrelations
- ✓ Measurement of spectators of both colliding nuclei;
centrality determination by track multiplicity
& spectator energy deposit

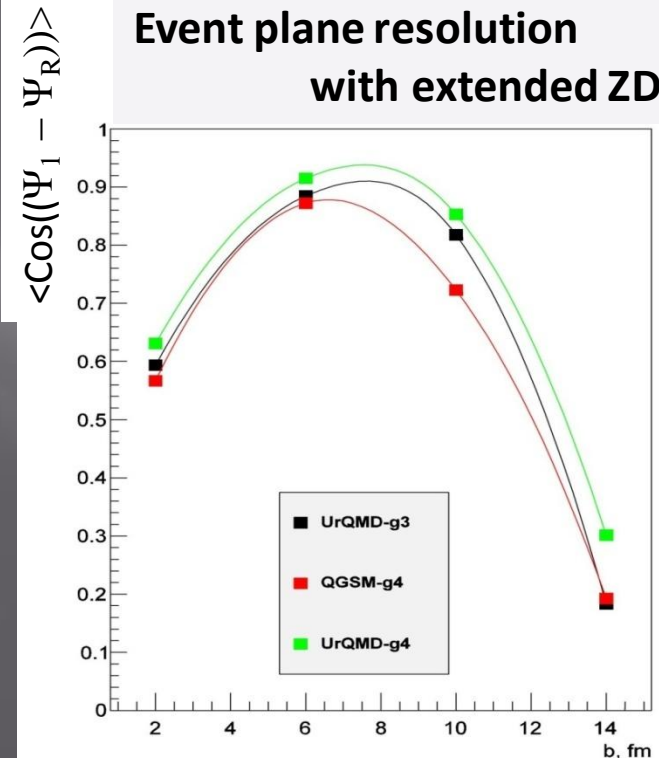
Event plane resolution for "central events"



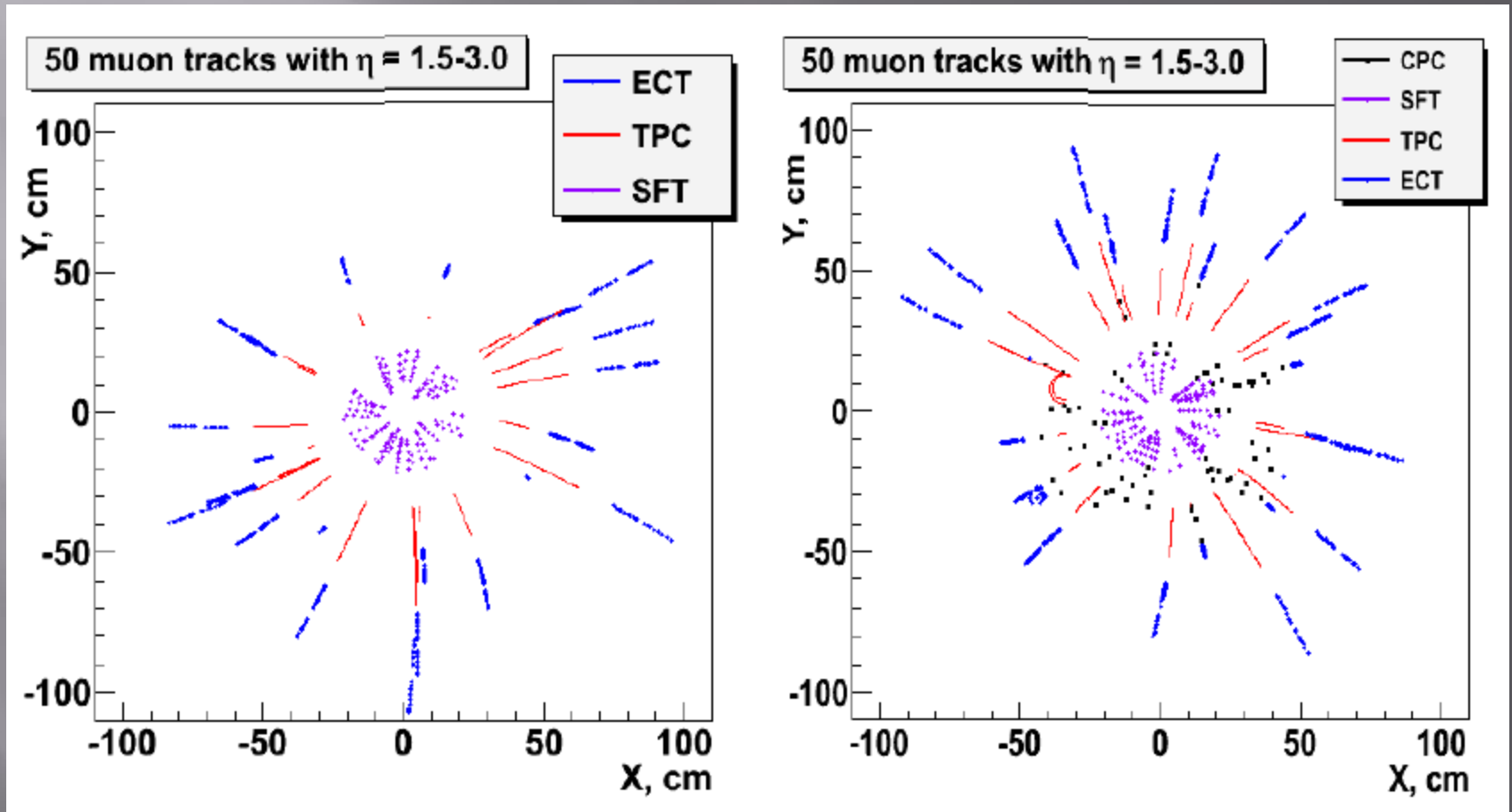
Extended ZDC detector ($2 < \eta < 5$)
improves RP resolution
at low & medium b

- $L = 120$ (60) cm
- $5 < R < 71$ cm, $1 < \theta < 14^\circ$ ($2 < \eta < 5$)

Event plane resolution with extended ZDC)

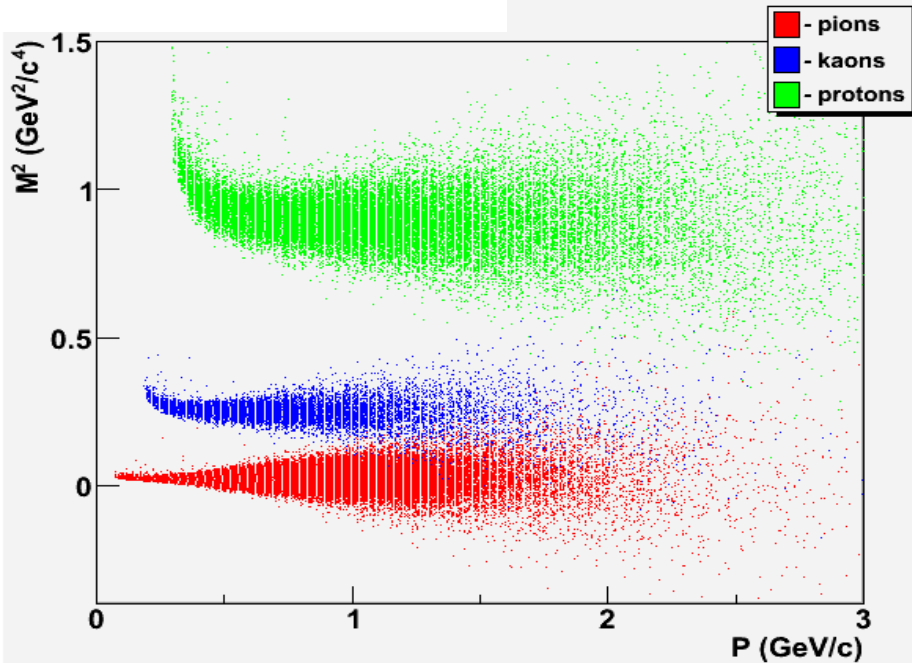


Global tracking

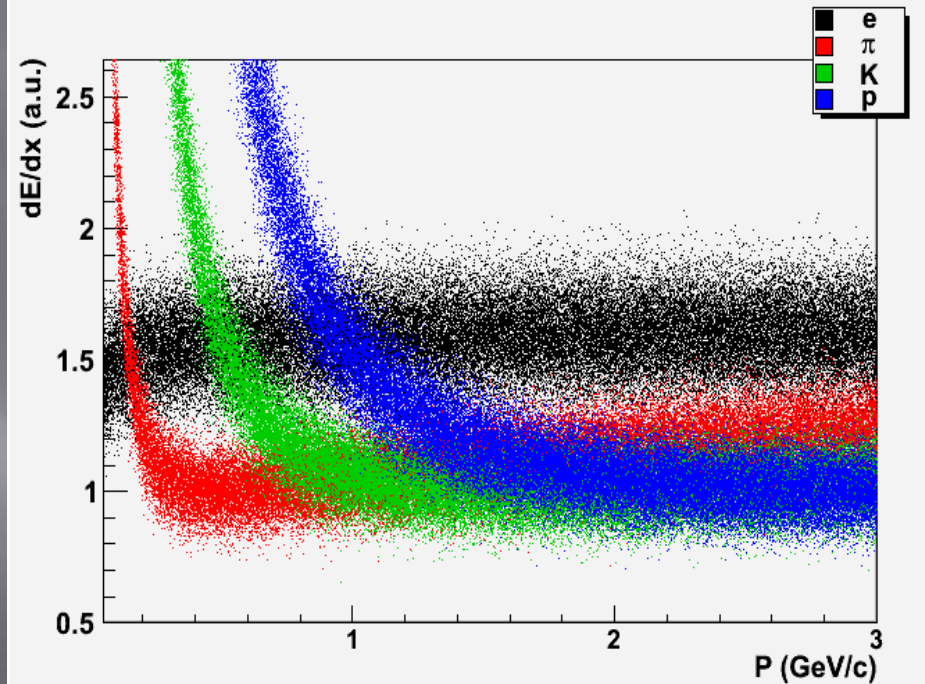


Particle Identification at MPD

(realistic detector simulation)



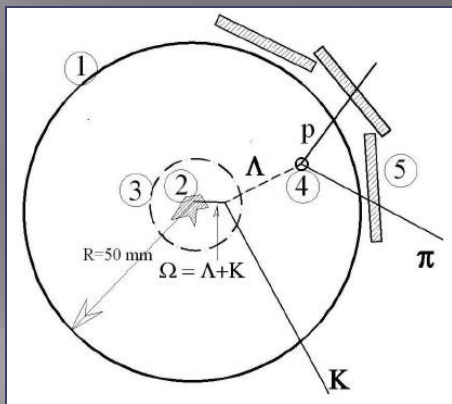
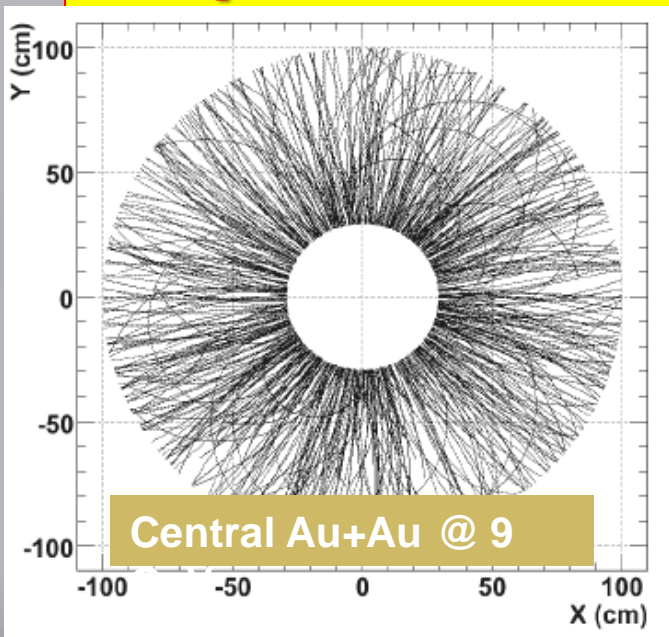
PID: Time Of Flight
Separation: e/h – 0.1..0.35 GeV/c
 π/K – 0.1..1.5 GeV/c
K/p – 0.1..2.5 GeV/c



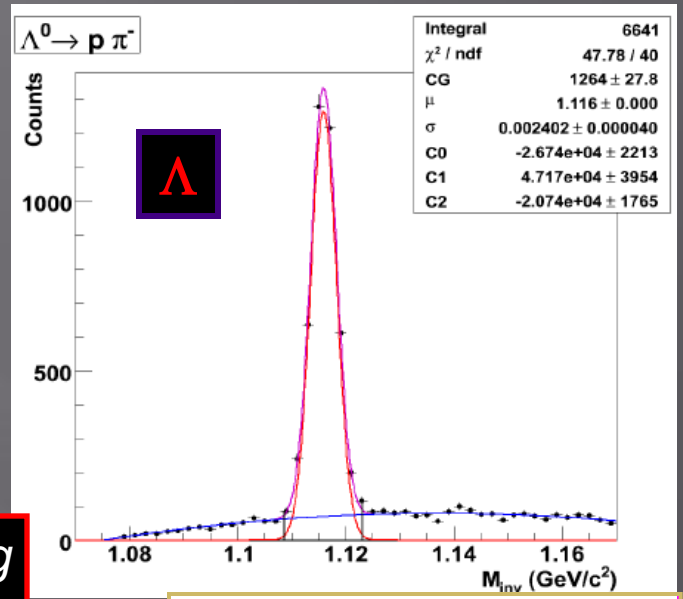
PID: Ionization loss (dE/dx)
Separation: e/h – 1.3..3 GeV/c
 π/K – 0.1..0.6 GeV/c
K/p – 0.1..1.2 GeV/c

- **Coverage:** $|\eta| < 1.4$, $p_t=0.1-2 \text{ GeV}/c$ barrel / : $|\eta| < 2.6$, $p_t=0.1-2 \text{ GeV}/c$ barrel+EC
- **Matching eff.:** $> 85\%$ at $p_t > 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
- **PID:** $2\sigma \pi/K \sim 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$, $(\pi,K)/p \sim 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

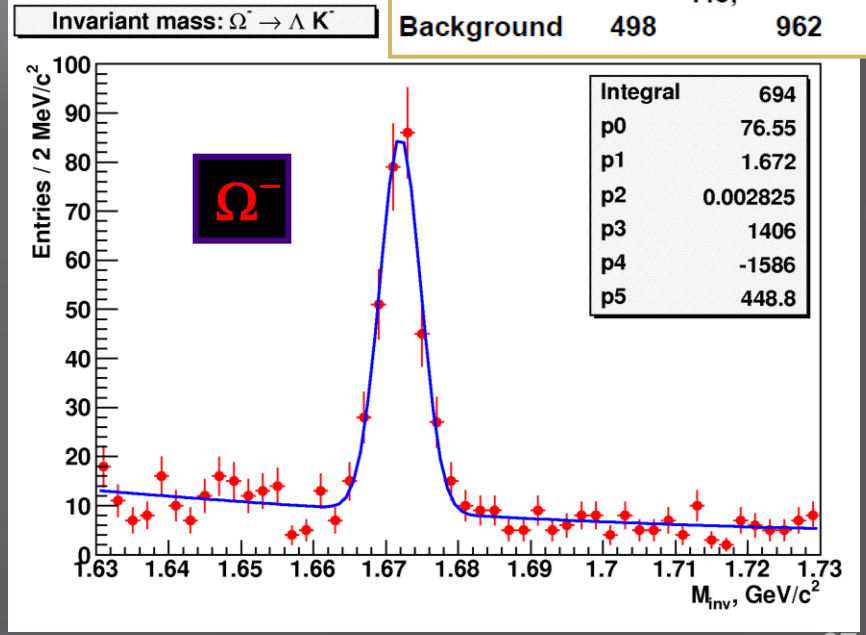
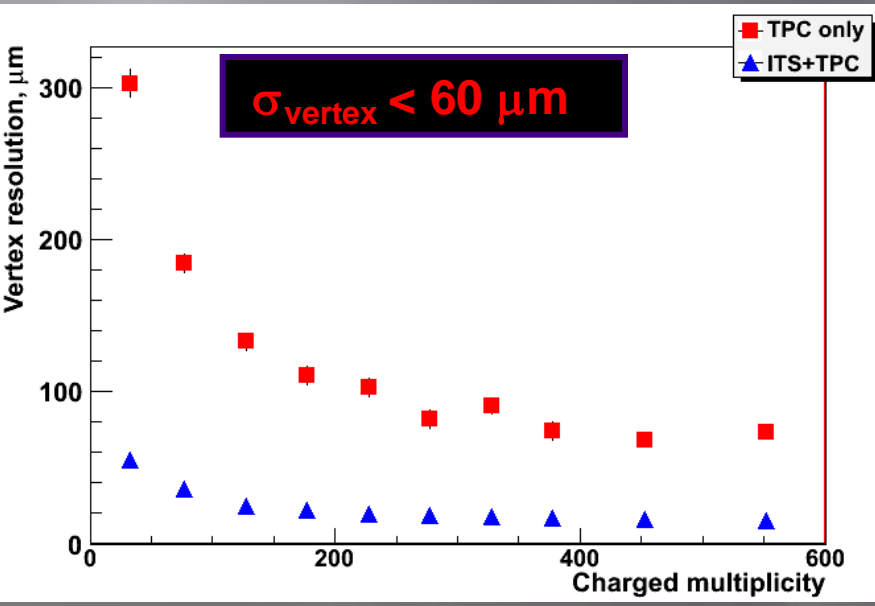
V0 performance (TPC+IT)



Improved Sg-to-Bg ratio (S/B) with the vertex IT detector



	Λ^0	K_S^0
Signal	3796	4845
----- =	----- = 7.6;	----- = 5
Background	498	962



Beam	Nuclotron beam intensity (particle per cycle)		
	Current	Ion source type	New ion source + booster
p	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	Duoplasmatron	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
d	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	--- ,, ---	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
^4He	$8 \cdot 10^8$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^{12}$
d↑	$2 \cdot 10^8$	SPI	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$
^7Li	$8 \cdot 10^8$	Laser	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$
$^{11,10}\text{B}$	$1 \cdot 10^{9,8}$	--- ,, ---	
^{12}C	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
^{24}Mg	$2 \cdot 10^7$	--- ,, ---	
^{14}N	$1 \cdot 10^7$	ESIS ("Krion-6T")	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
^{24}Ar	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
^{56}Fe	$2 \cdot 10^6$	--- ,, ---	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
^{84}Kr	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$
^{124}Xe	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$
^{197}Au	-	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$

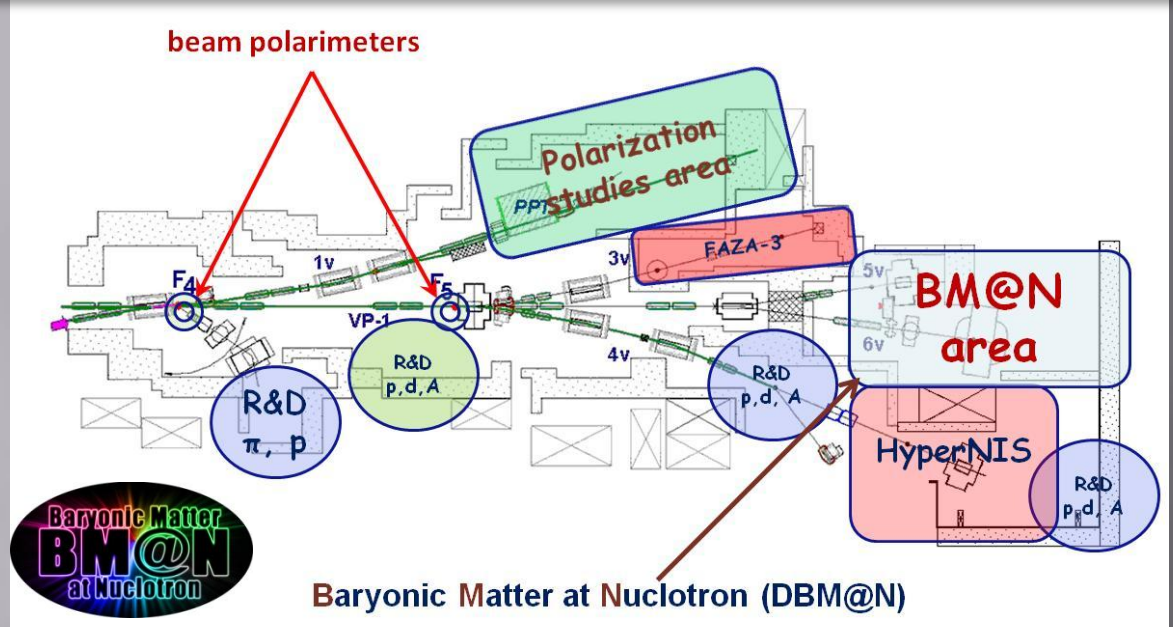


Strange matter production in heavy ion collisions at the Nuclotron extracted beam: Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron(BM@N)



- ▣ Collaboration **GSI-JINR** (preparation of the joint experiment has started)
- ▣ The goal of the experiment is the systematic measurements of the observables for multistrange objects (**Ξ^- , Ω^- , exotics**) in Au-Au collisions in the energy domain of the Nuclotron extracted beams (up to 5 A GeV)

Bld. 205 (10 000 m²): research zone with set-up on extracted beams



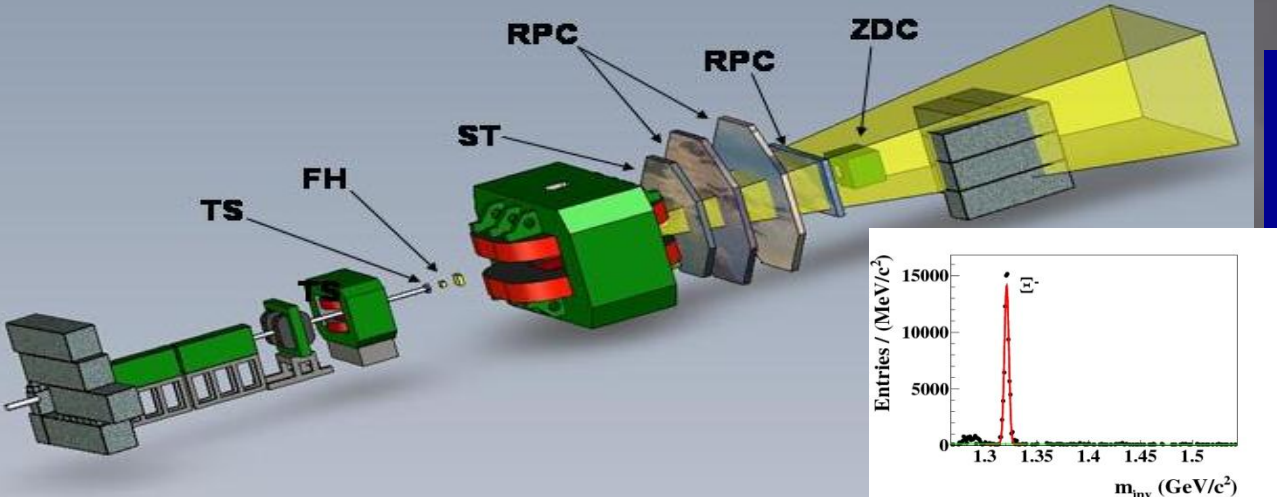
Data taking : QUINTA, project Energy+Transmutation: study of neutron generation in uranium-238 target with lead blanket, energy dependence: spatial/time/energy distributions of the neutron spectra;

DELTA-LNS: search for a resonance in secondary pion spectra;

DSS: elastic d-p scattering, differential cross sections $d\sigma/d\Omega$;

FAZA-3: effects of phase transition in thermal multifragmentation

HyperNIS – search for exotic hypernuclei



1-st stage (w/o IT):

- vector mesons
- flows & azimuthal correlations
- femtoscopy

2-nd stage (with IT):

(sub)threshold production of cascades

– to obtain the information on EOS

Technical project – in preparation. 19 scientific centers:
 INR, SINP MSU, IHEP + 2 Universities (Russia);
 GSI, Frankfurt U., Gissen U. (Germany), + CBM-MPD IT-Consortium
 + expressed an interest

Dipole and area for BM@N equipment installation



Study of dense baryonic matter at $< 6 \text{ GeV/n}$

Physics is complementary to the MPD program

& will be actual even after start of the MPD runs:

- **AA interactions:**

- particle production, incl. **sub-threshold processes**;
- particle (collective) flows, event-by-event fluctuations, correlations;
- multiplicities, phase space distributions of p, n, π , K, hyperons, light nuclear fragments, vector mesons, hadronic resonances, direct light **hypernuclei** production in central AA collisions.

- **pA, nA, dA interactions in direct & inverse (A_p, A_d) kinematics:**

- to get a "reference" data set for comparison with AA interactions,
- to look for polarization effects in particle production off nuclear targets by polarized d, p, n.

Time table of the BM@N experiment

ID	Task Name	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
1	Simulations	█						
2	Preparation of experimental site	█						
3	Installation beam line 6V		█					
4	Installation BM@N cave		█					
5	Installation beam tube, beam monitors			█				
6	Installation drift chambers		█					
7	Construction TOF-RPC, T0		█					
8	Tracker TDR		█					
9	Construction STS			█				
10	Design of SC magnet			█				
11	Construction GD tracker		█					
12	Construction DAQ, slow-control		█					
13	Installation detectors, commissioning			█				
14	Data taking			█				

Phase0 (2011-2012) – Site preparation and simulation

Phase1 (2013-2014) – Detector element construction & commissioning

Phase2 (2015-.....) – Data taking at 3.5, 4 and 4.65 A GeV

Cooperation@Nuclotron-M/NICA experiments

- ❑ Joint Institute for Nuclear Research
- ❑ The University of Sidney, **Australia**
- ❑ Physics Institute Az.AS, **Azerbaijan**
- ❑ Particle Physics Center of Belarusian State University, **Belarus**
- ❑ Institute for Nuclear Research & Nuclear Energy BAS, Sofia, **Bulgaria**
- ❑ Hilendarski University of Plovdiv, **Bulgaria**
- ❑ Blagoevgrad University, Blagoevgrad, **Bulgaria**
- ❑ University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, **China**
- ❑ Department of Engineering Physics, Tsinghua University, Beijing, **China**
- ❑ Osaka University, **Japan**
- ❑ RIKEN, **Japan**
- ❑ GSI, Darmstadt, **Germany**
- ❑ Aristotel University of Thessaloniki, **Greece**
- ❑ Institute of Applied Physics, AS, **Moldova**
- ❑ Institute of Physics & Technology of MAS, University of **Mongolia**
- ❑ Warsaw Technological University, Warsaw, **Poland**
- ❑ Institute for Nuclear Research, RAS, **RF**
- ❑ Nuclear Physics Institute of MSU, **RF**
- ❑ St.Petersburg State University, **RF**
- ❑ Institute Theoretical & Experimental Physics, **RF**
- ❑ University of Cape Town, **RSA**
- ❑ Bogolyubov Institute for Theoretical Physics, NAS, **Ukraine**
- ❑ Institute for Scintillation Materials, Kharkov, **Ukraine**
- ❑ State Enterprise Science & Tech. Research Design Institute, Kharkov, **Ukraine**
- ❑ TJNAF (Jefferson Laboratory), **USA**



The CBM/FAIR-MPD/NICA Consortium

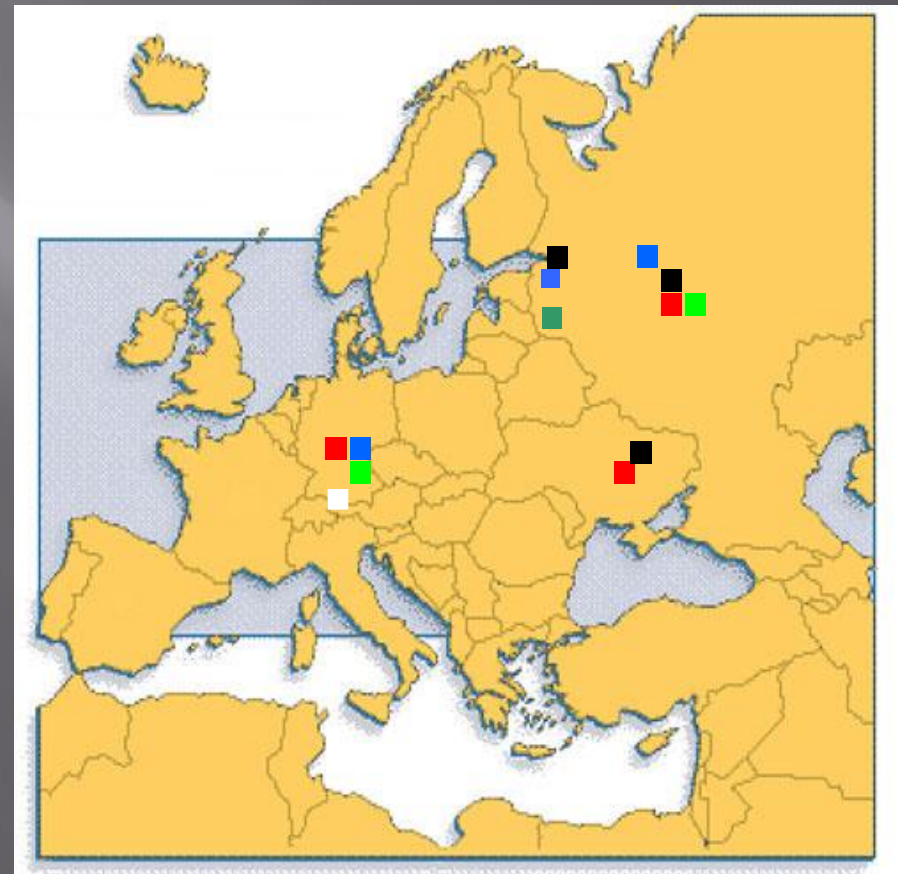
- 7 institutes
- 3 countries

CBM @ FAIR
(Darmstadt)

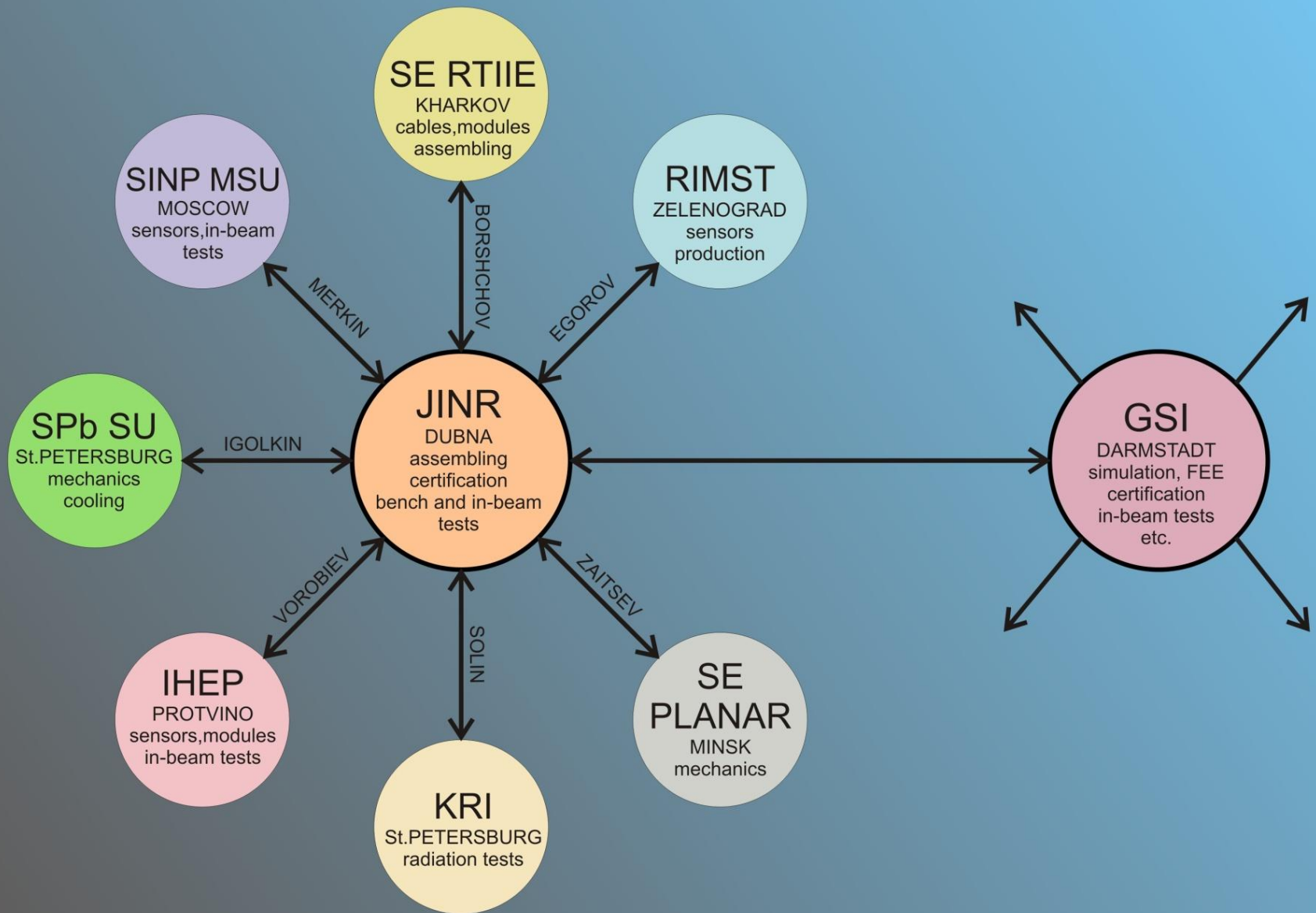
MPD @ NICA
(Dubna)

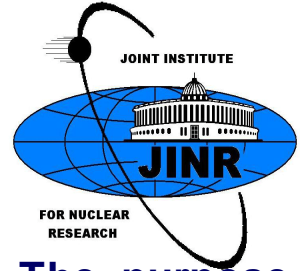
- **GSI**, Darmstadt, Germany
- **JINR**, Dubna, Russia
- IHEP, Protvino, Russia
- MSU, Moscow, Russia
- KRI, St.Petersburg, Russia
- University, St.Petersburg
- SE SRTIIE, Kharkov, Ukraine

- **Modules assembly**
- Components
- **Ladder assembly**
- Radiation tests
- In-beam tests



The CBM-MPD Consortium Structure





SPD EXPERIMENT AT NICA



The purpose is study of the nucleon spin structure with high intensity polarized light nuclear beams:

- high collision proton (deuteron) energy up to $\sqrt{s} \sim 26$ (13) GeV
- the average luminosity up to 10^{30} - 10^{31} $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- both proton and deuteron beams can be effectively polarized.

The main topics are:

1. Studies of MMT-DY processes with longitudinally and transversely polarized p and D beams. Extraction of unknown (poorly known) parton distribution functions (PDFs).
2. PDFs from J/Ψ production processes.
3. Spin effects in baryon, meson and photon productions.
4. Studies of spin effects in various exclusive reactions.
5. Diffractive processes studies.
6. Cross sections, helicity amplitudes and double spin asymmetries (Krisch effect) in elastic reactions.
7. Spectroscopy of quarkoniums.

NICA Spin program plans:

2012-2014 – CDR and TRD preparation, SPD collaboration, R&D

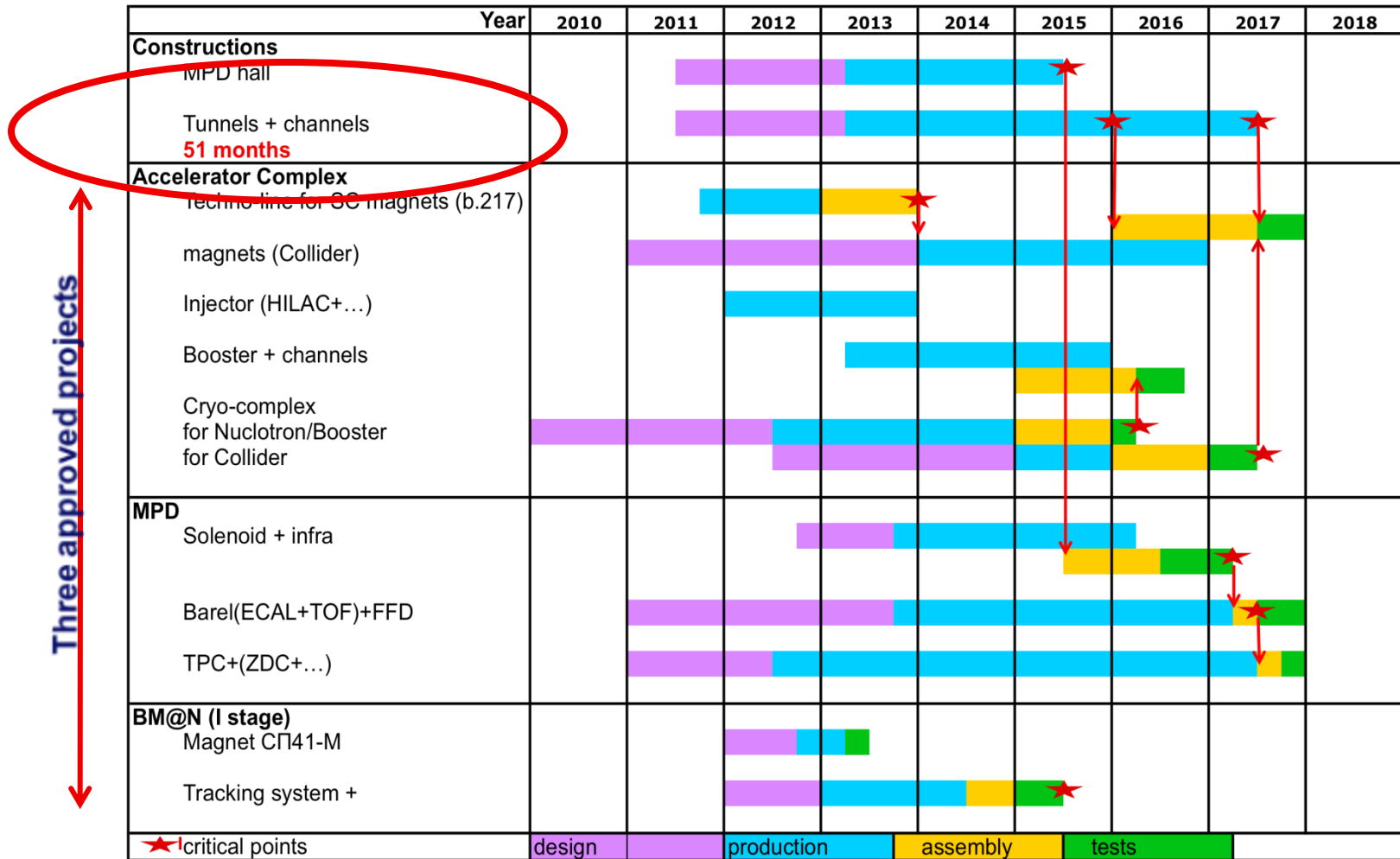
2015-2018 – R&D, Detectors production

XX International Symposium on Spin Physics (SPIN2012)

Dubna, September 17– 22, 2012



Time table of key part constructions



NICA/MPD construction schedule

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
ESIS KRION	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
LINAC + channel	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
Booster + channel	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
Nuclotron-M	Design	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
Nuclotron-M → NICA	Design	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
Channel to collider	Design	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
Collider	Design	Design	Manufactrng	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr
Diagnostics	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr
Power supply	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr
Control systems	Design	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr
Cryogenics	Manufactrng	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr
MPD	R&D	Design	Design	Manufactrng	Manufactrng	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.
Infrastructure	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Mount.+commis.	Commis/opr	Commis/opr	Commis/opr

R&D

Design

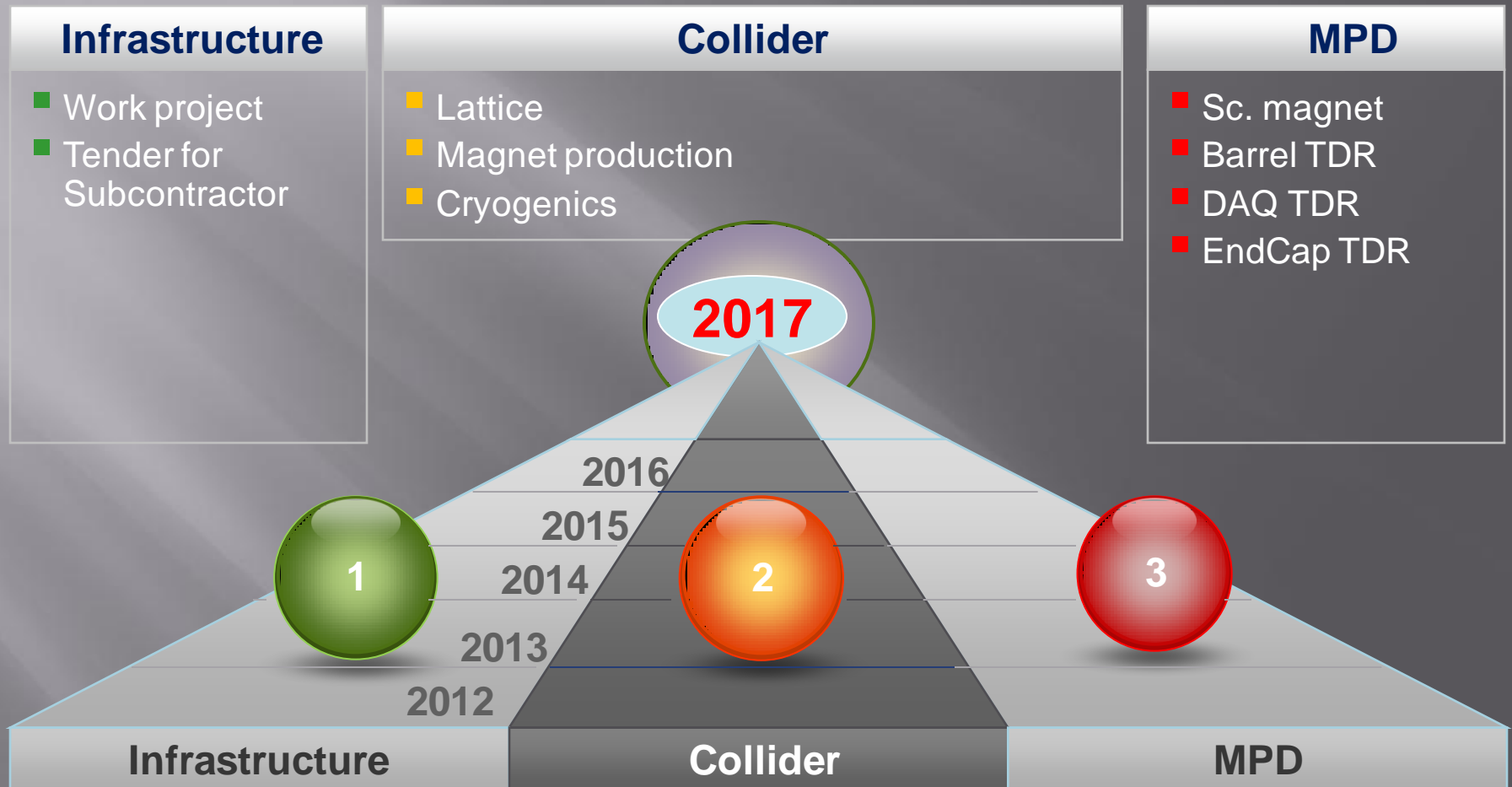
Manufactrng

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Operation

Time scales & Major milestones



NICA Complex

Accelerator facility

▪ **Nuclotron-M**

▪ **Nuclotron-NICA**

▪ **Collider**

infrastructure

*Experiments on
Collider*

▪ **MPD**

▪ **SPD**

infrastructure

*Experiments with
extracted beams*

▪ **BM@N**

▪ test beams

▪ innovations

infrastructure

projects

completed

approved, in progress



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**SEARCHING for a QCD MIXED PHASE at the
NUCLOTRON-BASED ION COLLIDER FACILITY
(NICA White Paper)**

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NICA White Paper

SEARCHING for a QCD MIXED PHASE at the NUCLOTRON-BASED ION COLLIDER FACILITY

The final goal of the NICA White Paper is to address the following key topics:

- Phases of dense QCD matter and conditions for their possible realization
- Characteristic processes as indicators of phase transformations
- Estimates of various observables for events
- Comparison to other experiments

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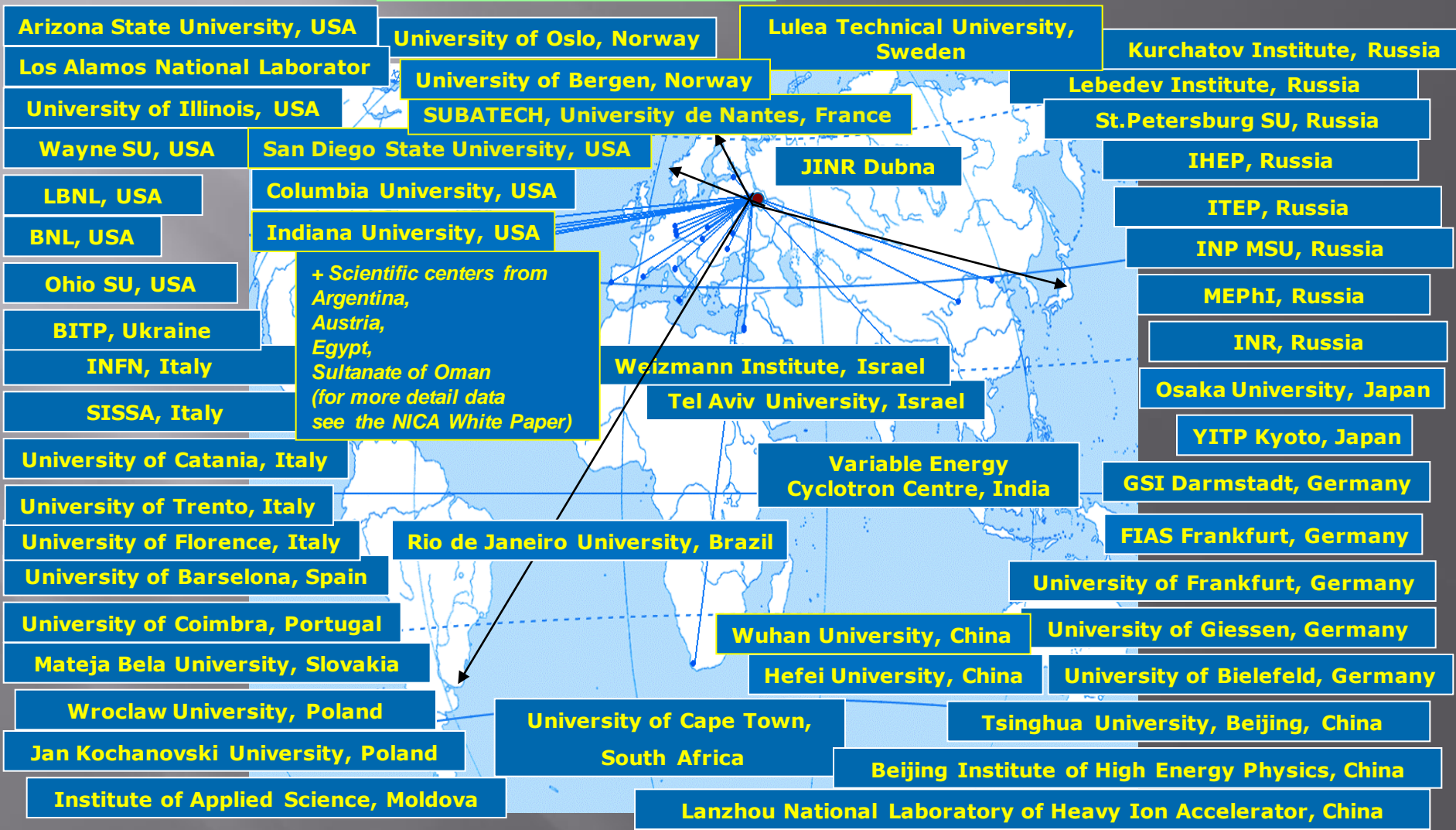
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The NICA White Paper

83 contributions

148 authors *from* **69 scientific centers** *in* **25 Countries (8 JINR members)**



<http://theor.jinr.ru/twiki-cgi/view/NICA/WebHome>

Physical phenomena and relevant observables:

- in-medium modification of hadron properties (MMH)
- the nuclear matter equation of state (EoS)
- the onset of deconfinement (OD) and/or
- chiral symmetry restoration (CSR)
- signals of a phase transition (PT)
- the mixed phase and the critical end-point (CEP)
- possible local parity violation in strong interactions (LPV)

The correlations between observables and physical phenomena:

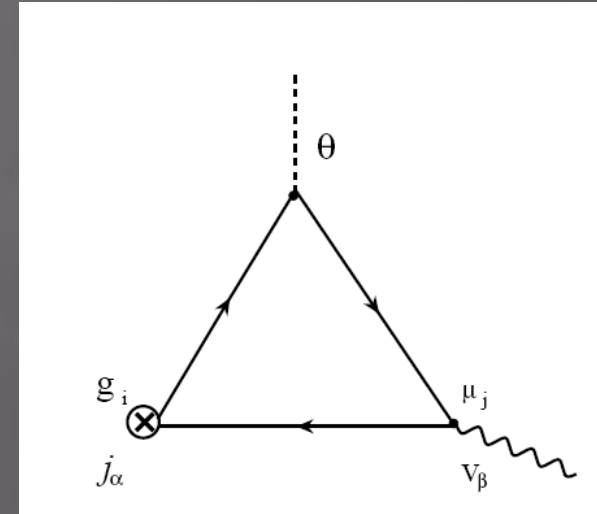
Observables	Physical Phenomena							Detectors	Reference in the White Paper
	MMH	EoS	OD	CSR	PT	CEP	LPV		
yields of hadrons, normal and exotic light nuclei	x	x	x					tracking, TOF	3.6, 3.9, 4.3, 3.11, 4.12, 6.7
yields and spectra of multistrange hyperons	x	x	x					precision tracking (secondary vertices)	2.6, 5.3, 6.4, 12.3, 12.5, 12.6
electromagnetic probes			x	x				tracking, electron identifiers (e.g. RICH)	7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.7
azimuthal charged particle correlations					x		x	tracking	8.1 - 8.7, 10.4
event-by-event (EBE) fluctuations						x		tracking, TOF	2.1, 2.6, 3.10, 5.4
Radial, elliptic and triangular flow of hadrons		x	x		x			tracking, TOF	4.4, 4.8, 4.14, 5.8
higher moments of hadron distributions			x		x	x		tracking, TOF	3.10, 4.1, 4.5, 4.6, 4.10, 4.12-4.15
interferometric parameters		x			x			tracking	3.5, 5.1, 5.2, 5.5

Studying vorticity

- ▣ Vorticity for uniform rotation – proportional to Orbital Angular Momentum
- ▣ Rotation – another pseudovector – angular velocity
- ▣ Tests are required
- ▣ Natural object – hydrodynamical helicity
(= $v \text{ rot } v$)-related to chaos
- ▣ Model calculations: JINR (DCM: M. Baznat, K. Gudima, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev) + FIAS (UrQMD: M. Bleicher, J. Steinheimer, H. Stoecker)

Anomaly in medium – new external lines in VVA graph

- Gauge field -> velocity
- CME -> CVE
- Kharzeev, Zhitnitsky (07) – EM current
- Generalization: any (e.g. baryonic) current – neutron asymmetries @NICA
O. Rogachevsky, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev
PRC82:054910,2010



Coupling: $e_j A_\alpha J^\alpha \Rightarrow \mu_j V_\alpha J^\alpha$

Current: $J_e^\gamma = \frac{N_c}{4\pi^2 N_f} \varepsilon^{\gamma\beta\alpha\rho} \partial_\alpha V_\rho \partial_\beta (\theta \sum_j e_j \mu_j)$

Observable: three-particle correlator: $\langle \cos(\phi_\alpha + \phi_\beta - 2\phi_c) \rangle$

CME@RHIC: 15 M events to establish the effect.

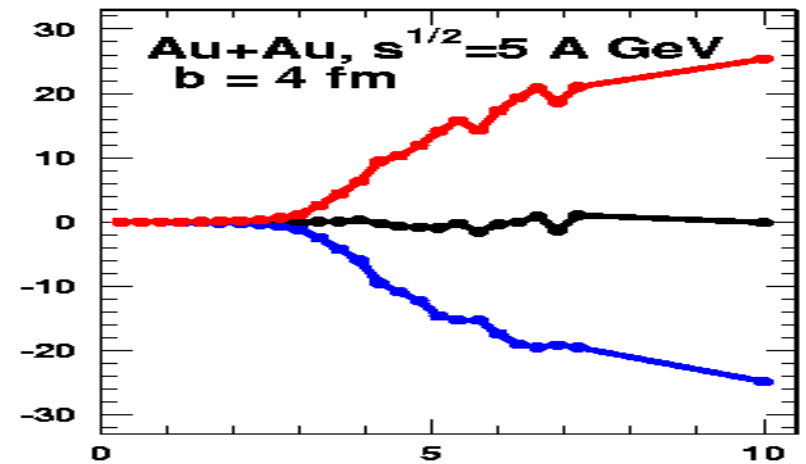
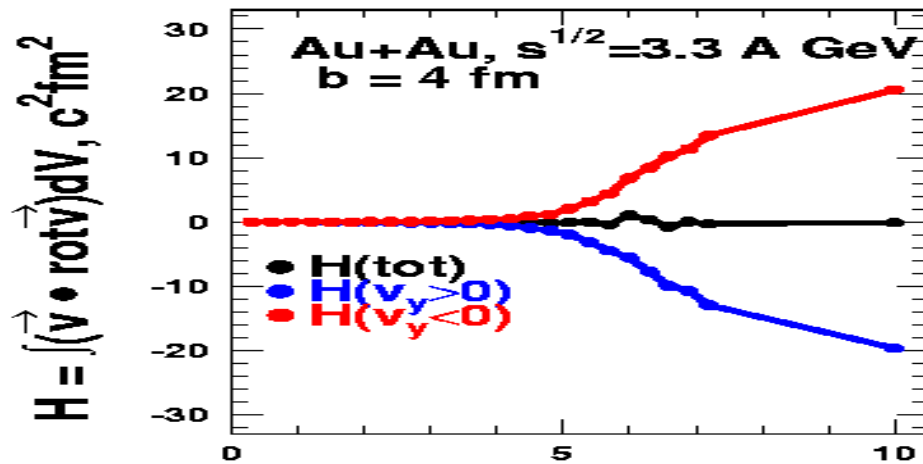
CVE@NICA: 1000 M events, which can be collected within a few months of the NICA run.

Vorticity simulations in HIC

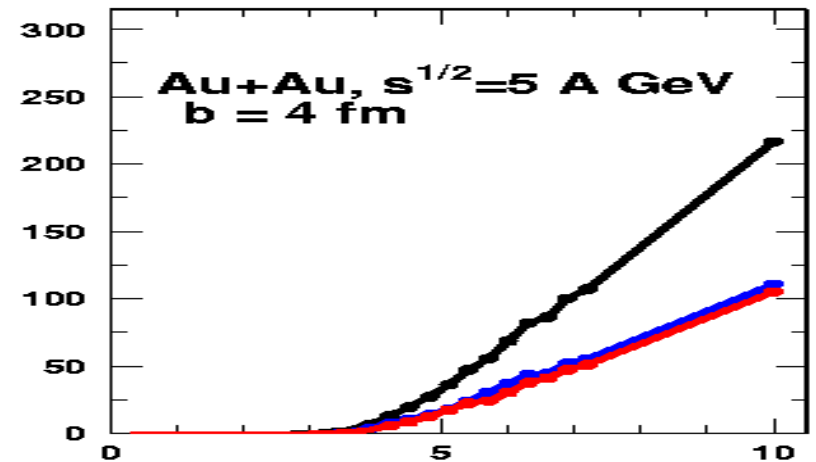
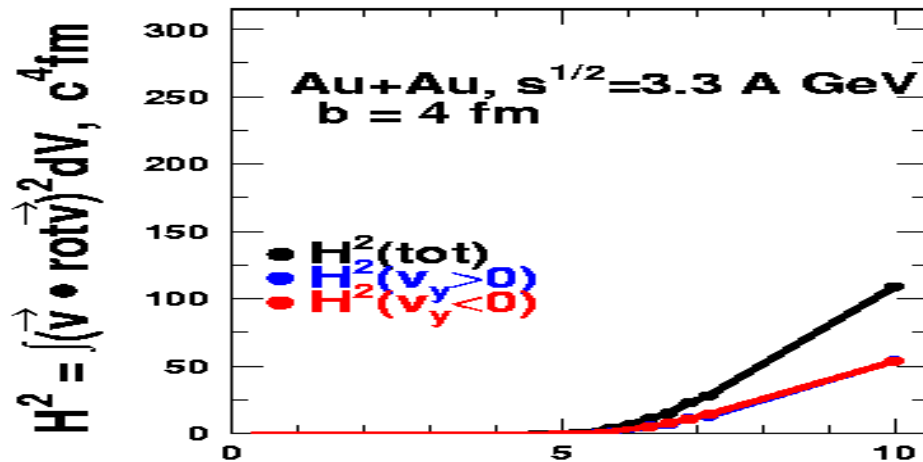
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Hydrodynamical Helicity separation (DCM)

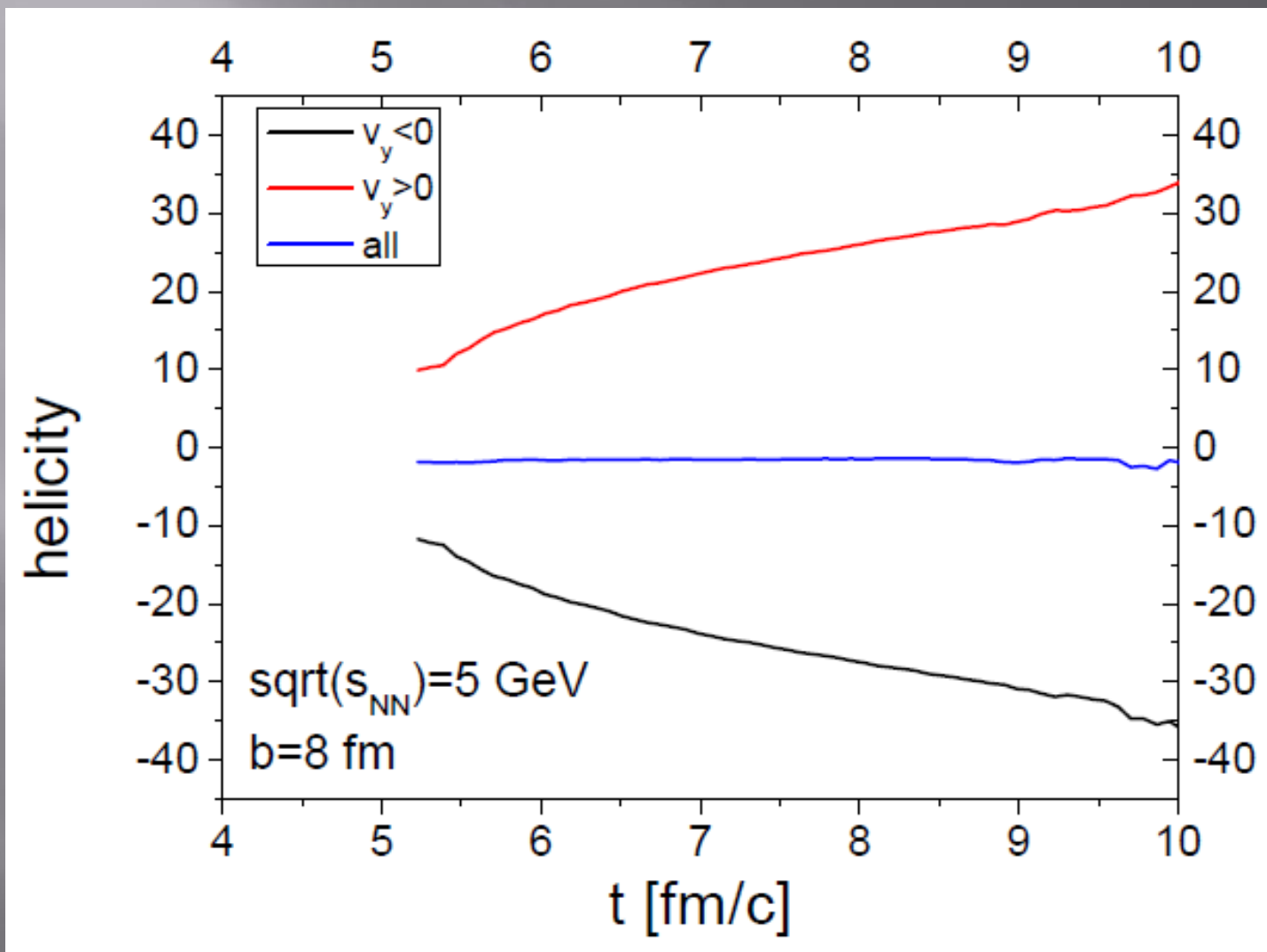
Au+Au, $H = \int (\vec{v} \cdot \text{rot} \vec{v}) dV, c^2 \text{fm}^2$



Au+Au $H^2 = \int (\vec{v} \cdot \text{rot} \vec{v})^2 dV, c^4 \text{fm}^4$



Hydrodynamical Helicity Separation (UrQMD)



Round Table Discussions on NICA/MPD@JINR

Round Table Discussion I: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron, July 7 - 9, 2005
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2005/roundtable/>

Round Table Discussion II: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron: Nuclotron facility development JINR, Dubna, October 6 - 7, 2006
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Round Table Discussion III: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA JINR (Dubna), November 5 - 6, 2008,
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2008/roundtable/>

Round Table Discussion IV: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper) JINR (Dubna), September 9 - 12, 2009
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2009/roundtable/>

Round Table Discussion V: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper) JINR (Dubna), August 28, 2010
http://theor.jinr.ru/~cpod/Dubna_2010_program2.htm

Workshop
Fixed Target@Nuclotron-N and SIS100@FAIR
Detector R&D, Synergies and Physics Opportunities
GSI Helmholtz Centre, 2010 November 3rd
Wednesday, November 3rd
GSI WD-Zimmer

09:30 – 09:45 **Welcome and Goals of the Meeting** H. Stöcker

Chair: A. Sorin

09:45 – 11:00 **Technical Status of the Facilities**

Nuclotron-M: Status of the Facility and the New Fixed Target Program V. Kekelidze
Towards Nuclotron-N@JINR & SIS100@FAIR Physics Program H. Stöcker / A. Sorin
Coffee Break

Chair: G.Trubnikov

11:15 – 12:15 **Nuclear Structure Physics**

Nuclear Structure and Nuclear Astrophysics opportunities with RIBs G. Martinez-Pinedo
Status of R3B T. Aumann / H.Simon
Lunch Break (small Lunch incl. coffee / WD-Zimmer)

Chair: V. Kekelidze

13:00 – 15:00 **Nuclear Matter Physics**

Status of the HADES Upgrade, recent results R. Holzmann / J. Pietraszko
Status of FOPI, recent results N. Herrmann
Nuclear Matter Physics at Nuclotron and SIS100 energies P. Senger
Status of R&D CBM W. Müller
The STS Consortium J. Heuser
Coffee Break

15:15 – 17:00 **Final Panel Discussion:**
Synergies and Joint R&D Projects

Chair: H. Stöcker

17:30 *Dinner at the GSI Guesthouse*

NICA/JINR-FAIR Bilateral Workshop

Matter at Highest Baryon Densities in the Laboratory and in Space

Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, April 2 - 4, 2012

http://theor.jinr.ru/~nica_fair/

Topics:

- Phases of QCD at high baryon densities
- Effects signalling phase transitions
- Observables in heavy-ion collisions and in astrophysics
- Simulations of ion collisions and supernovae

Aims:

- identify discovery potential of Nuclotron-NICA and FAIR in the canon of current and future HIC experiments
- chiral symmetry restoration
- onset of deconfinement
- in-medium modification of hadron properties
- color superconductivity, multiquark states, etc.

Results:

- Most promising and feasible suggestions for experiments at Nuclotron-NICA and CBM/FAIR
- Priorities for detectors and formation of international collaborations



*** German-Russian Year of Science 2011/2012**

The conferences in Dubna

CPOD 2010

SQM 2015

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DIAS-TH: Dubna International Advanced School of Theoretical Physics

Helmholtz International Summer School

Dense Matter
in

Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics
JINR, Dubna, Russia, August 21 - September 1, 2006

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Dense Matter in
Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics
JINR, Dubna, Russia, July 14-26, 2008

TOPICS:

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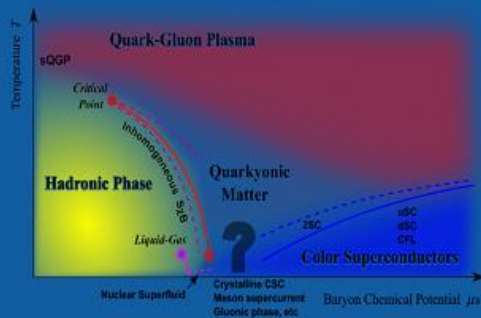


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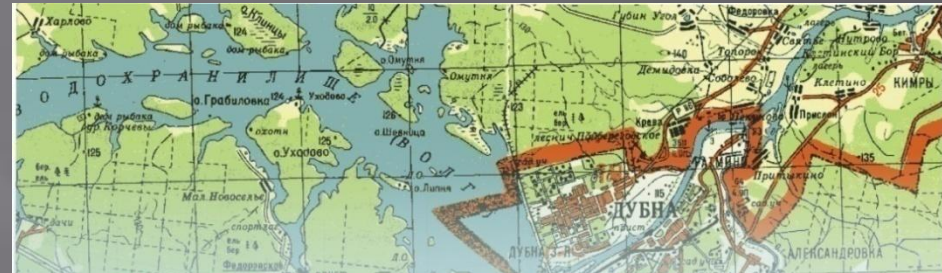


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RF Prime Minister V.V. Putin at NICA, July 5, 2011

Session of the Government Commission on High Technology and Innovation (Dubna, July 5, 2011)



Prior to the session, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, jointly with the interagency working group, selected 6 out of 28 submitted applications which meet the highest requirements imposed to specify the class of “mega-science” facilities. Among them is the NICA project.

The meeting of the Working Group of the Russian Ministry of Education and Science (Moscow, January 17, 2012)

The NICA project has passed the international expertise that is a precondition for funding, along with two other megaprojects – the PIK reactor and the IGNITOR tokamak.

BMBF-JINR meeting (Dubna, August 30 – 31, 2012)

V.A.Matveev – the JINR Director

and Dr. Beatrix Vierkorn-Rudolph - the BMBF Directorate 71 Director

signed the document

*recognizing the NICA complex as the large-scale project on the Russian territory
and appreciating the selection of NICA as one of the “Mega science” projects*

Parties agreed to join their efforts in the construction of both FAIR & NICA in:

➤ *construction of cryogenic facility at LHEP JINR to provide the assembly
and the cold testing of the superconducting magnets for the NICA synchrotrons
and 175 quadrupole modules for FAIR SIS100*

➤ *preparation of clean area
at LHEP JINR to provide
the assembly and test of
modern silicon tracking
detectors for BM@N,
MPD and CBM*

➤ *stimulation of joint
research and educational
programs for young
scientists*



Signing ceremony of the JINR-BMBF meeting minutes

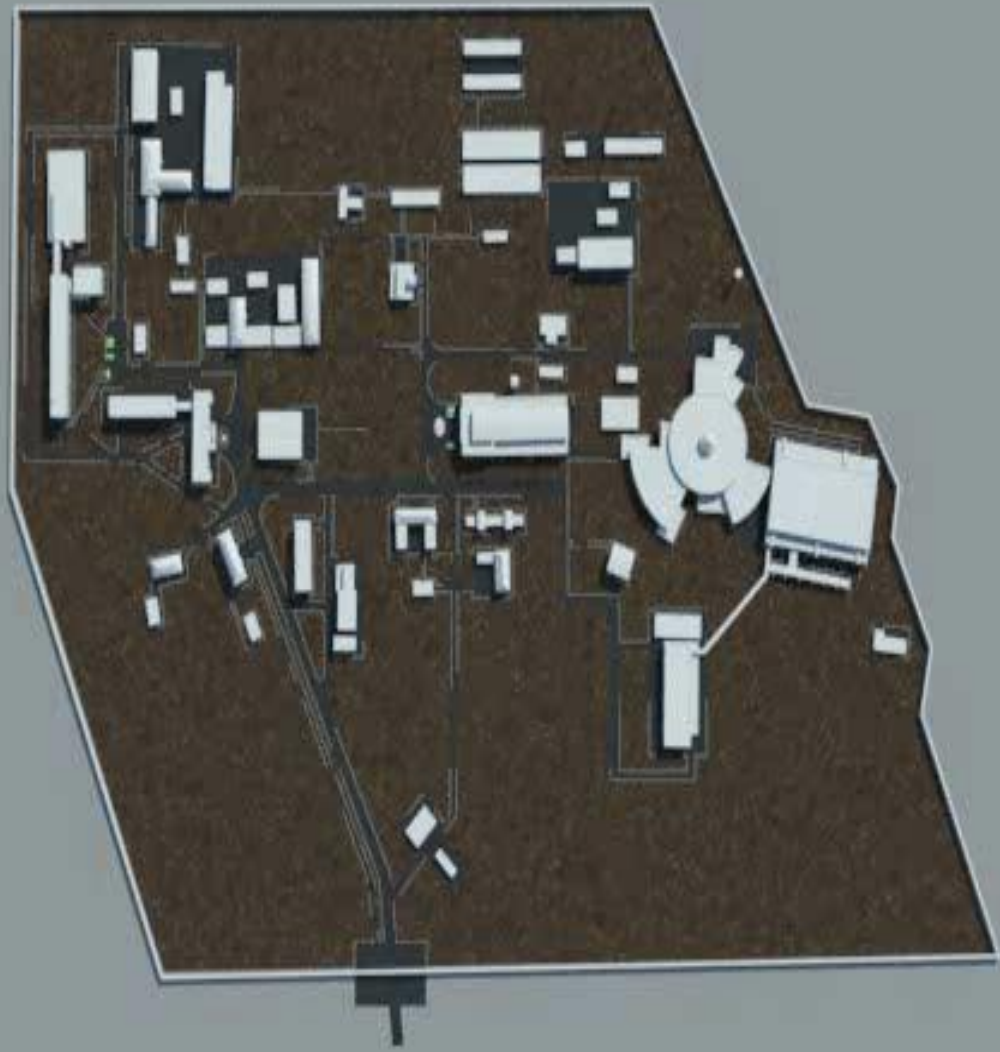
Conclusions of the Town Meeting at CERN, 29 June 2012

On a time scale of less than a decade, using the existing heavy ion beams at the Nuclotron accelerator, the NICA project at JINR in Dubna will provide a similar energy range in a collider geometry at the average luminosity of 10^{27} / cm² s, as well as, the fixed target experiments with E_{Lab} = 2 – 4.5 GeV/nucleon.

This offers important complementarities to the beam energy scan program at RHIC and the programs at FAIR.

**The Open Symposium on European Strategy
in Particle Physics (11-12 Sept., Krakow, PL)**

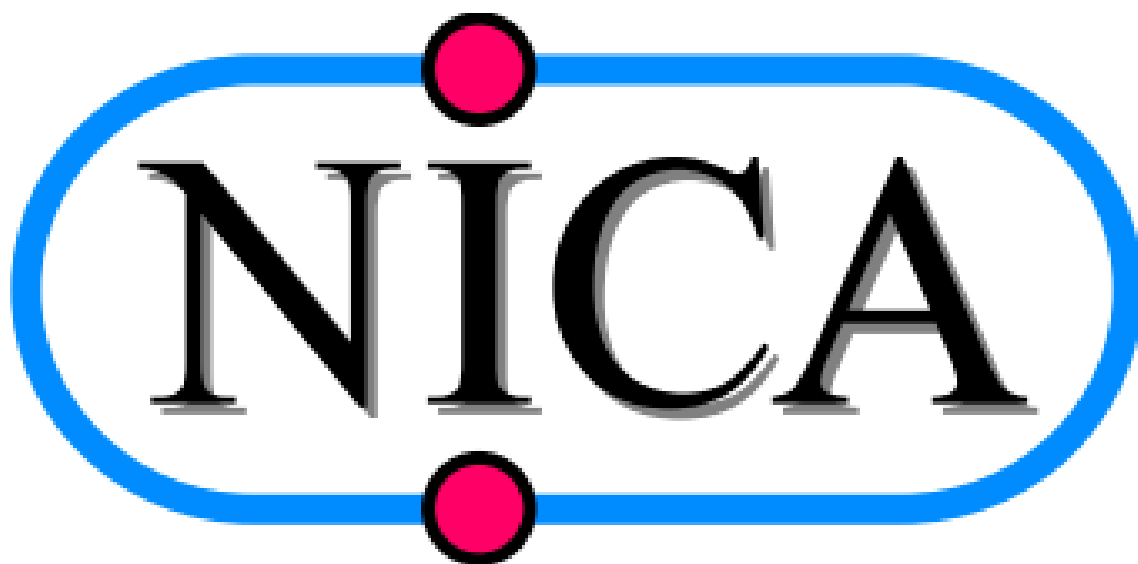
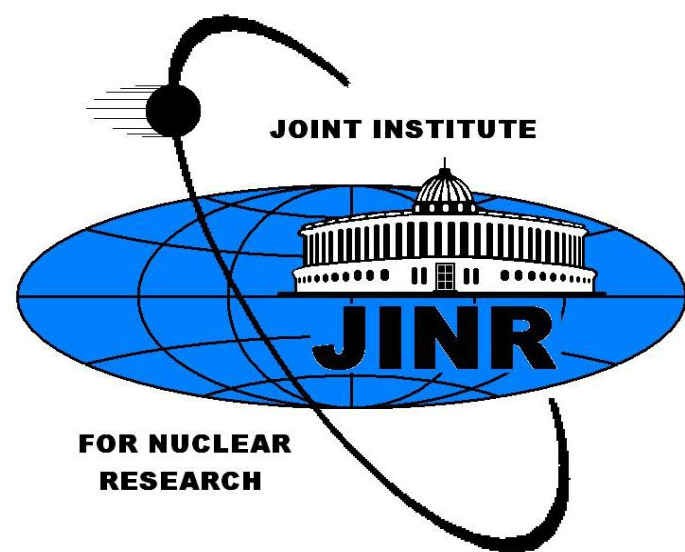
indicated the NICA facility as a part of HI European program



Concluding Remarks

- ❑ The NICA complex is well developing
- ❑ The two physics projects **BM@N** & **MPD** are targeting to the HI physics frontiers
- ❑ The NICA program is well integrated into world experimental HI facilities
- ❑ The SP program is developing, but could started already at **MPD**
- ❑ The collaborations are growing around **NICA** & are getting an international recognition
- ❑ You are welcome to enlarge the participation in the NICA program

Welcome to the collaboration!



Thank you for attention!