

# Proton Facilities at CERN

## With some brainstorming

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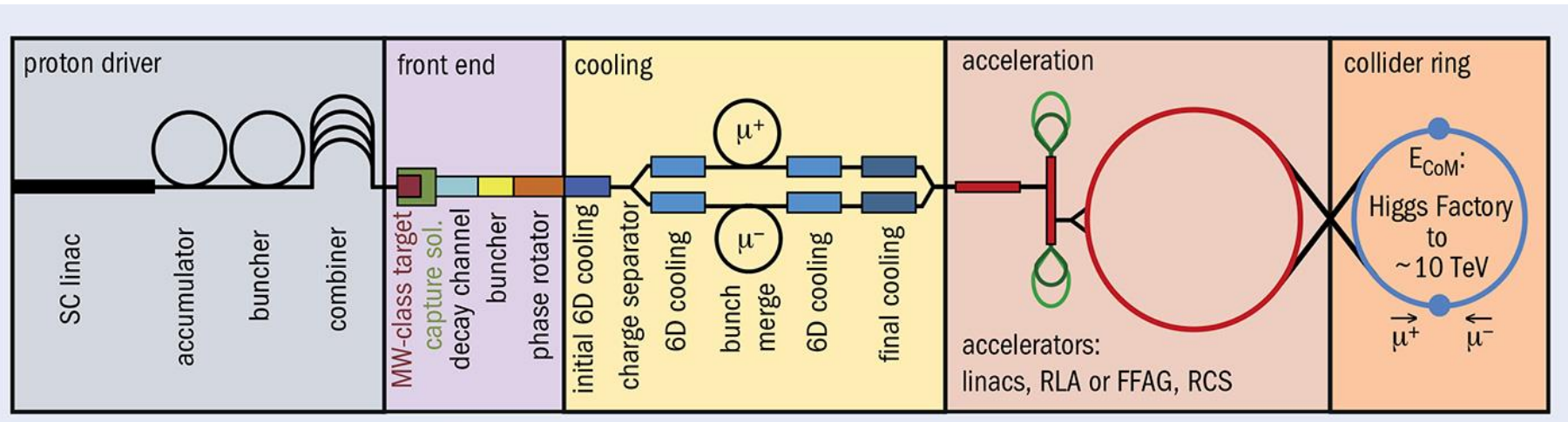
# What could be tested? Why? Where?

## Proton driver

- Single beam impact
- Material damage
- Obs: Linac4 is running

## Cooling

- Material testing
- *6D cooling*



## Target station – including dump

- Material choices for p production
- Pion production
- Single beam impact
- Material damage

## Acceleration

- Material testing (damage)
- Acceleration techniques
- Recombination

*Lemma discussed yesterday*

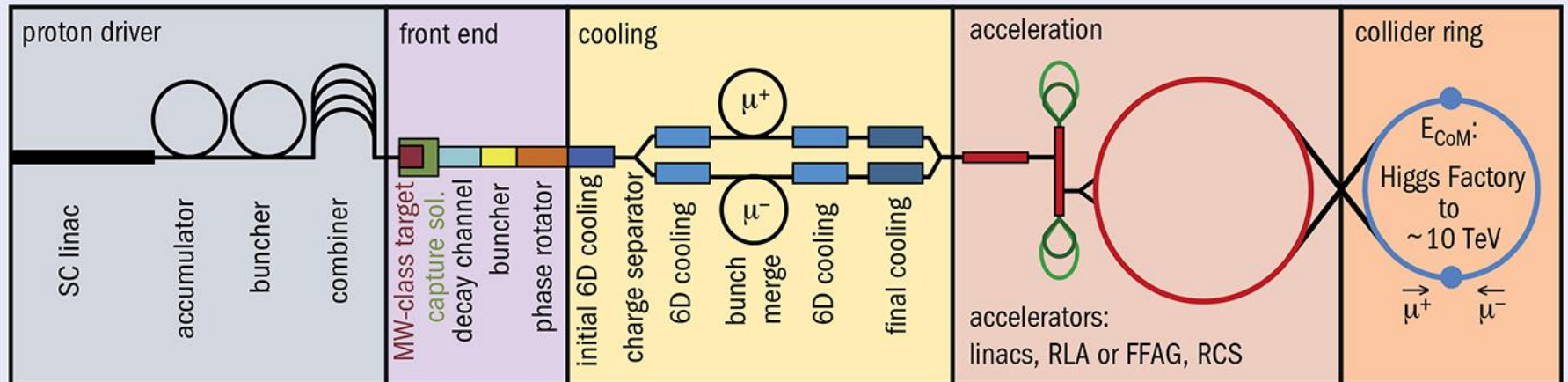
# What could be tested? Why? Where?

## Proton driver

- Protons
- Few GeV

## Cooling

- Muons
- *Few hundreds MeV/GeV*



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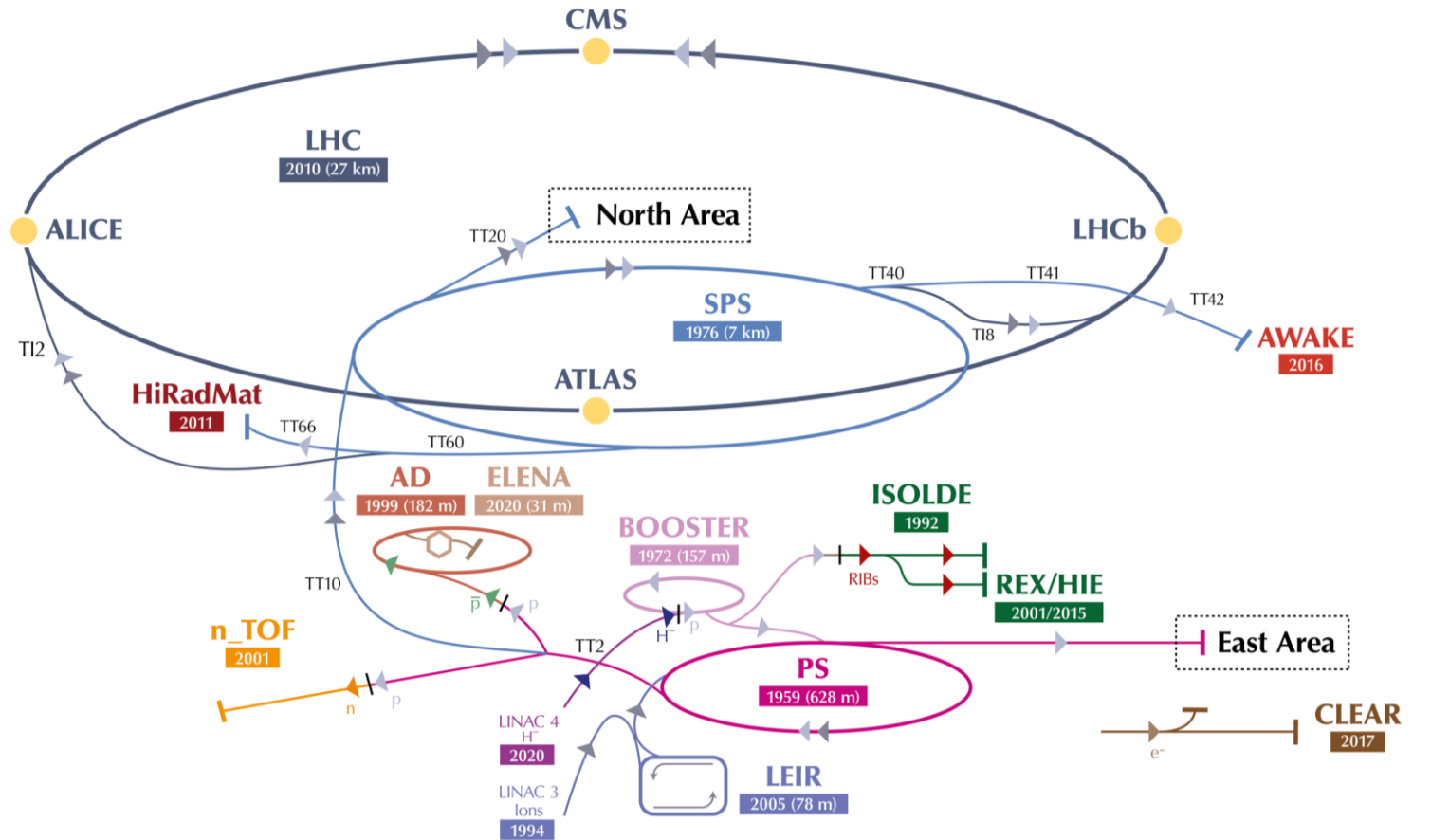
- Protons and mixed field
- Few GeV protons
- Few hundreds MeV mixed field

## Acceleration and SR

- Muons at some GeV
- Muons at some TeV

*Lemma discussed yesterday*

# CERN accelerator complex as now



▶  $H^-$  (hydrogen anions)   ▶ p (protons)   ▶ ions   ▶ RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams)   ▶ n (neutrons)   ▶  $\bar{p}$  (antiprotons)   ▶  $e^-$  (electrons)

# Different test zones

## Existing test/experimental areas – already available for beam tests

- PS-EAST area
- SPS-North Area
- Hiradmat
- Charm

## Possible test areas – will be available soon or requires modifications

- ISOLDE - ISIS
- n\_TOF - Near
- Beam dump locations (Linac4, PSB, ISOLDE, PS, LHC(?))

## Green field solution

- New test areas
- New machines to test

## Synergies with other projects

- FCC
- PBC
- ISOLDE renovation

**Questions: single particles, bunched beam, single impact, irradiations?**

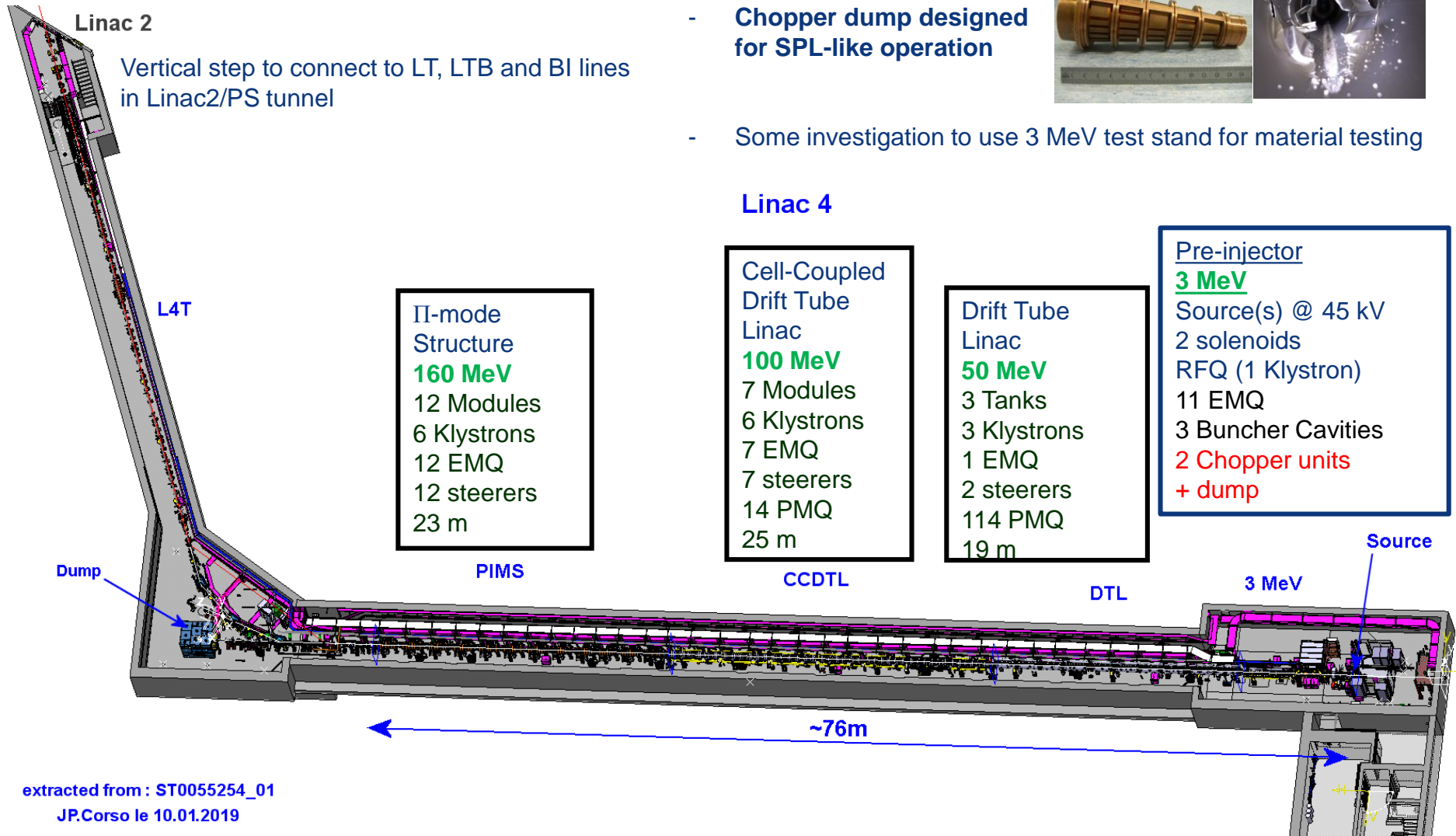
# LINAC4 - layout

- Intermediate energies are not accessible however something learned from installed equipment



- **Chopper dump designed for SPL-like operation**

- Some investigation to use 3 MeV test stand for material testing



# Linac4 Parameters – For reference

	CDR Design Parameters	Goal Post-LS2 Parameters
Ion Species	H <sup>-</sup>	H <sup>-</sup>
Output Energy	160 MeV	160 MeV
Bunch Frequency	352.2 MHz (LEP!)	
Max. Repetition Rate	2 Hz	
Max. Beam Pulse Length	400 μs @ 0.833 Hz	600 μs @ 0.833 Hz
Max. Beam Duty Cycle	0.08%	0.12%
Chopper Beam-on Factor	~65%	Max. ~65%
Source Peak Current	80 mA	~60 mA
Linac Peak Current	65 mA	40 mA
Linac Chopped Current	40 mA	26 mA
Transv. Emittance (Source)	0.25 π mm mrad	
Transv. Emittance (Exit)	0.4 π mm mrad	0.4 π mm mrad

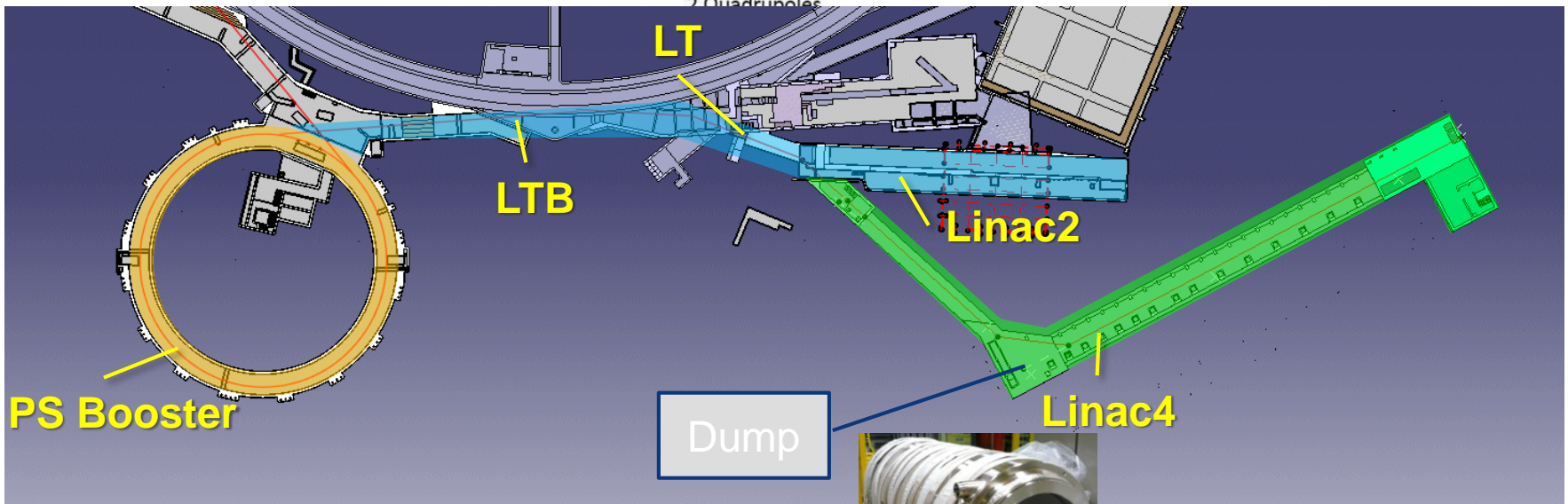
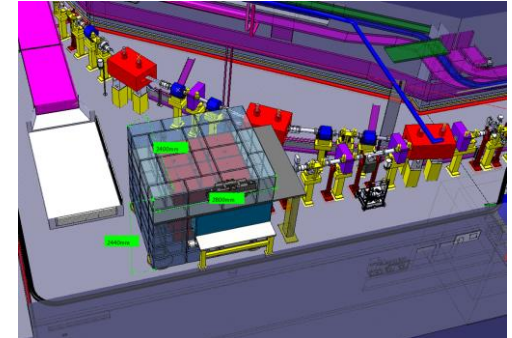
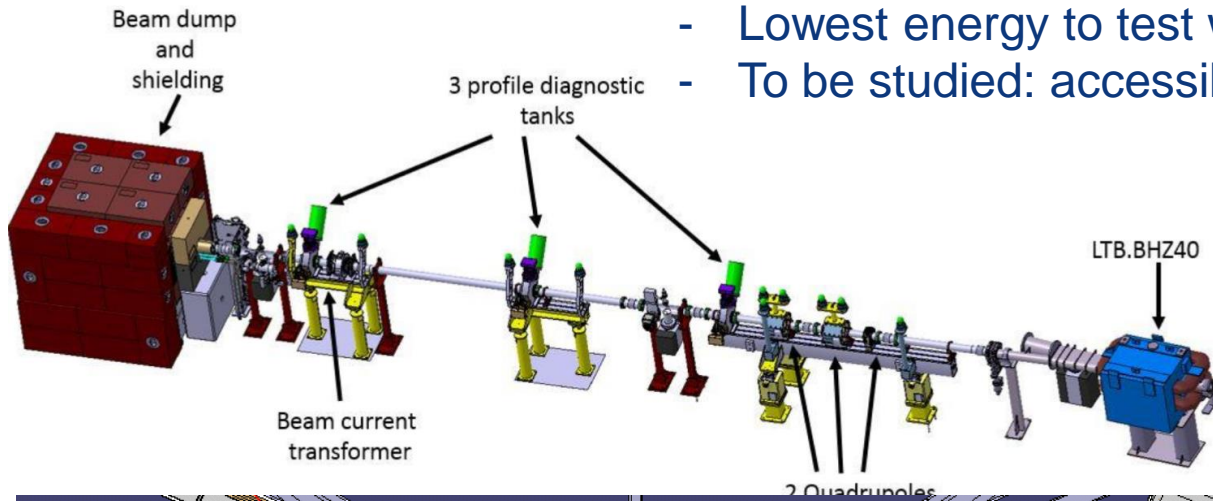
Require only 0.833 Hz (1.2 s basic cycle)

Chopping at 3 MeV for ~loss-free injection into the PSB RF bucket (~630 ns beam ON)

RF structures dimensioned for 50 Hz, power supplies, electronics, electricity, cooling for 2 Hz

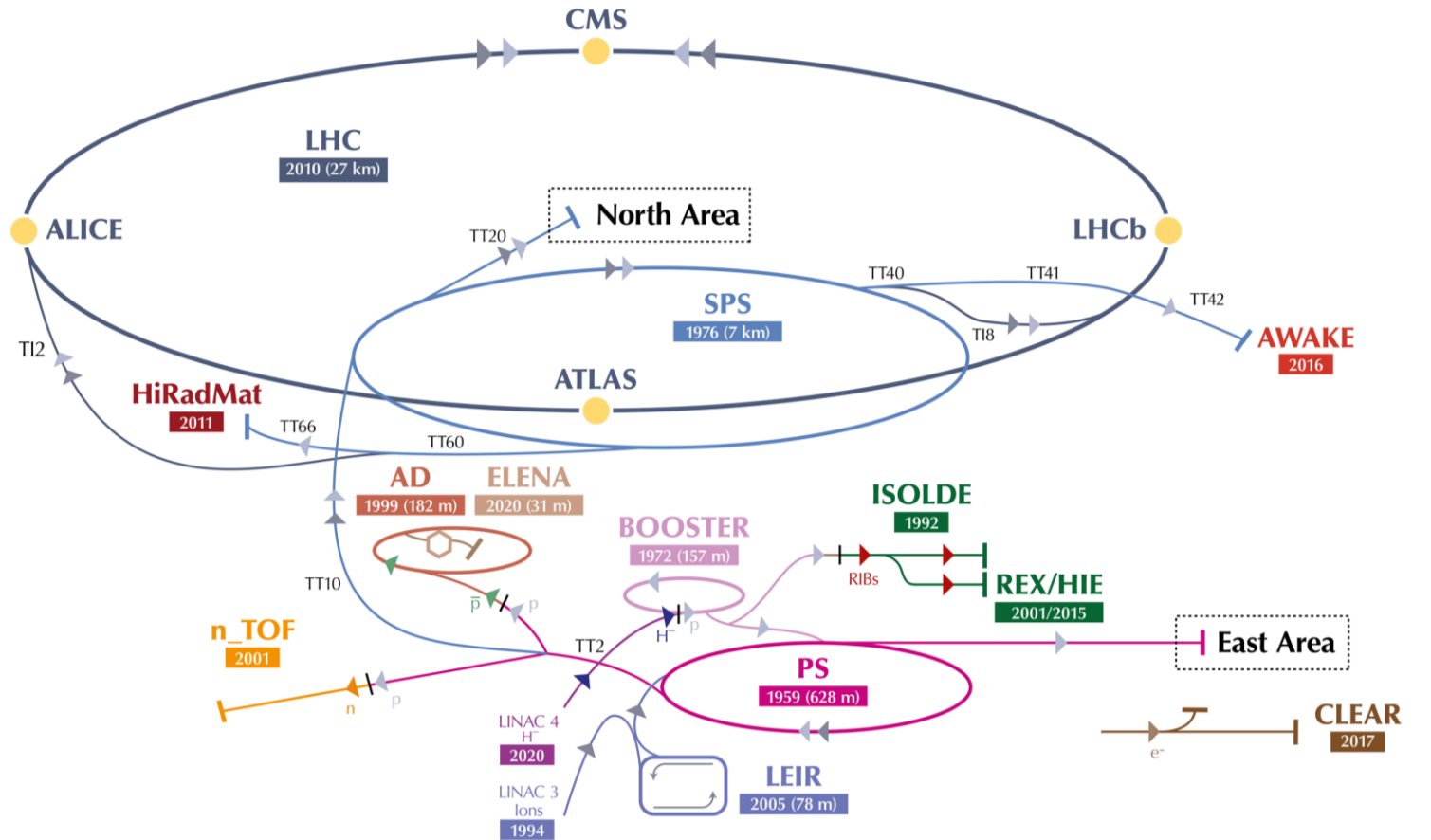
# Linac4 - LBE Line

- H- 160 MeV Linac beam dump in measurement line
- Lowest energy to test with an accelerator-type beam
- To be studied: accessibility to an operational machine





# CERN accelerator complex



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# PSB main features



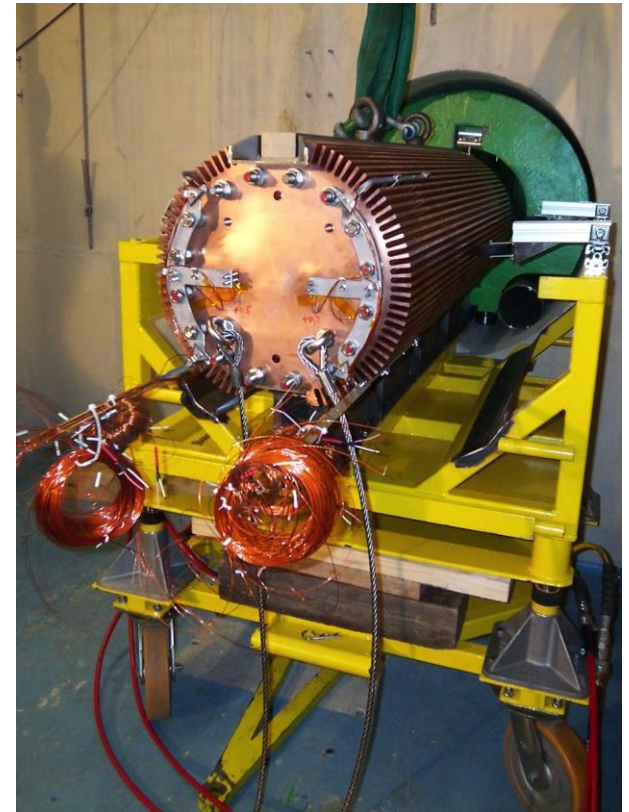
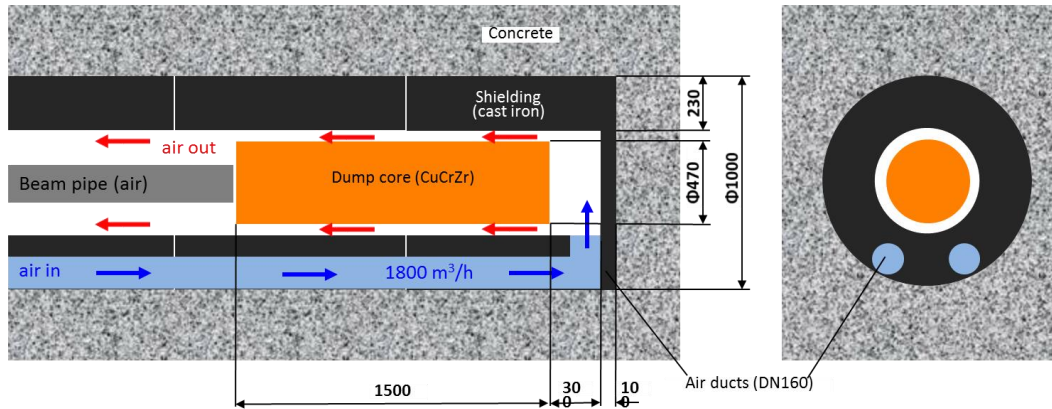
- ▶ Injection
  - ▶ 160 MeV  $H^-$
  - ▶ Multiturn charge exchange injection with transverse and longitudinal painting up to thousand turns
- ▶ 4 superimposed ring magnetically coupled
- ▶ Lattice: Triplet, FDF
  - ▶ Operating below transition
- ▶ Acceleration cycle
  - ▶ ~ 700 ms
  - ▶ 1.2 cycling period
- ▶ RF: Finemet
  - ▶ Operation with  $h=1$  and  $h=2$
- ▶ Extraction:
  - ▶ 2 GeV (1.4 GeV)
  - ▶ Single turn fast extraction with vertical recombination
- ▶ Particles types:
  - ▶ Protons, (~~ions - O, S, In, Xe~~)
- ▶ Max total intensity: ~  $4e13$  ppp
- ▶ External Exp. Area: ISOLDE

# PSB Dump

To be studied: accessibility to an operational machine

## Design parameters:

- Max beam intensity:  $1E14$  p+/pulse
- Beam energy: 2 GeV
- Pulse period: 1.2 s
- **Max. Average power to dump : 9.44 kW**



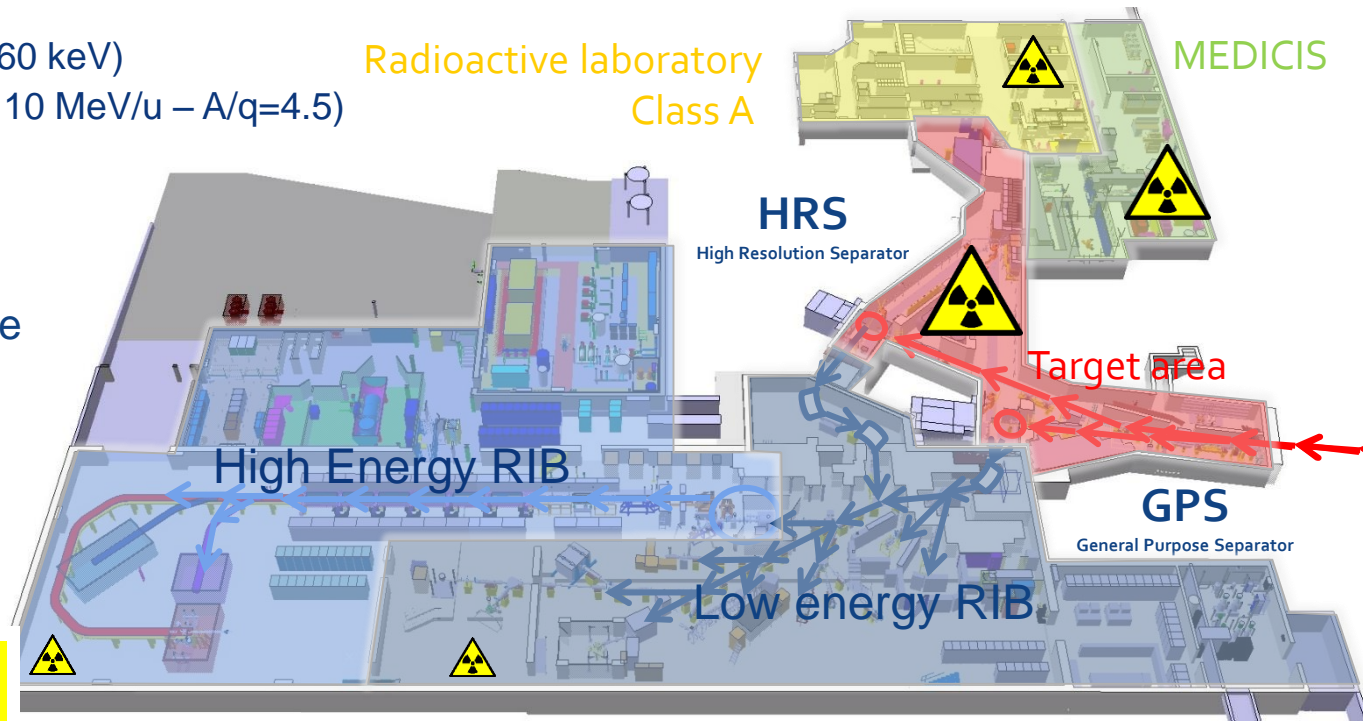
A. Perillo-Marccone - RaDIATE 2018

# ISOLDE : Radioactive Ion Beam facility



- Protons (1.4 GeV)
- Low energy RIBs (up to 60 keV)
- High energy RIBs (up to 10 MeV/u –  $A/q=4.5$ )

Pulsed protons (1.2 s)  
1.4 GeV  
 $3.3 \times 10^{13}$  protons per pulse

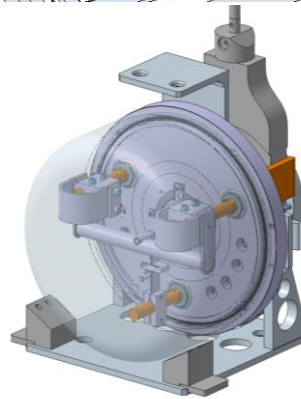
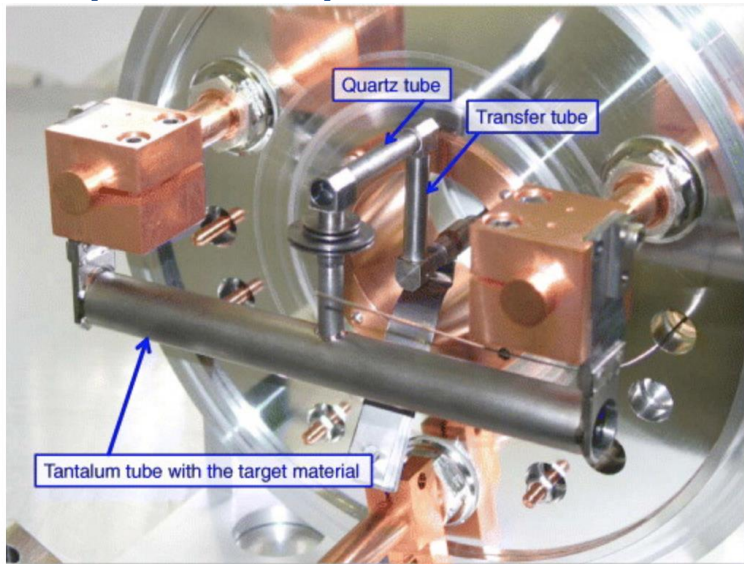
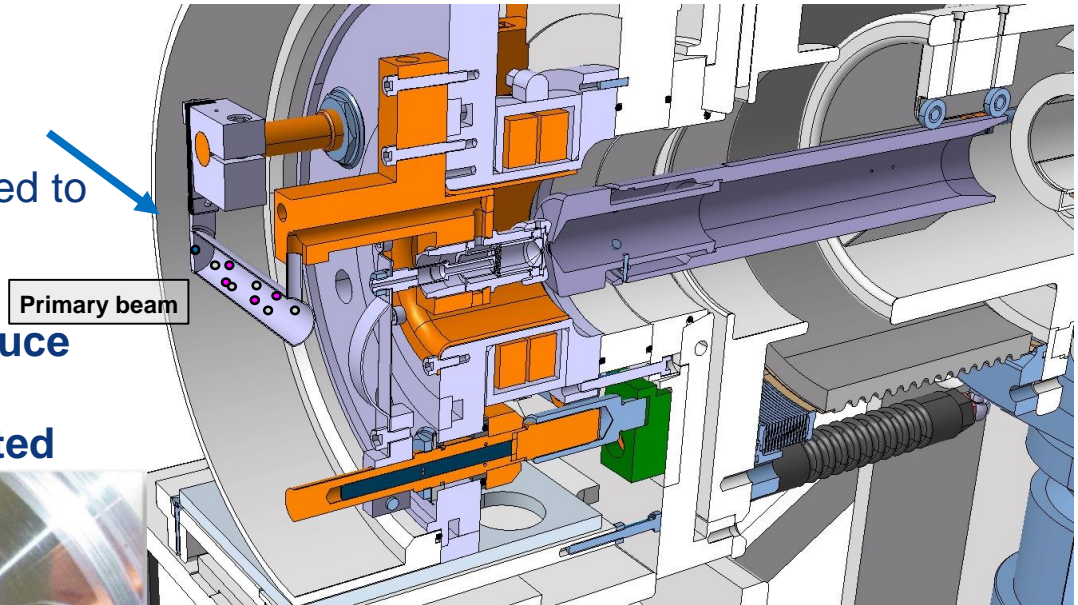


More than 50% of the protons at CERN are delivered to ISOLDE

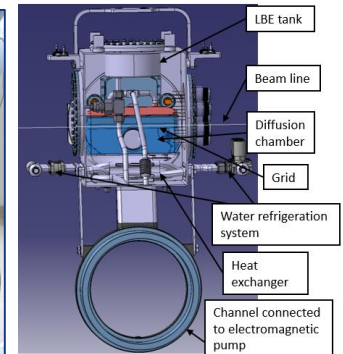
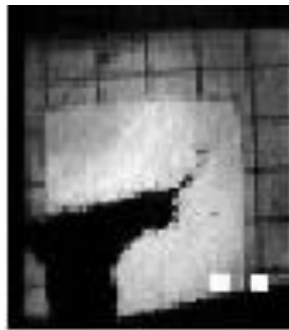
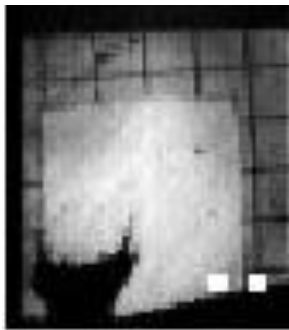
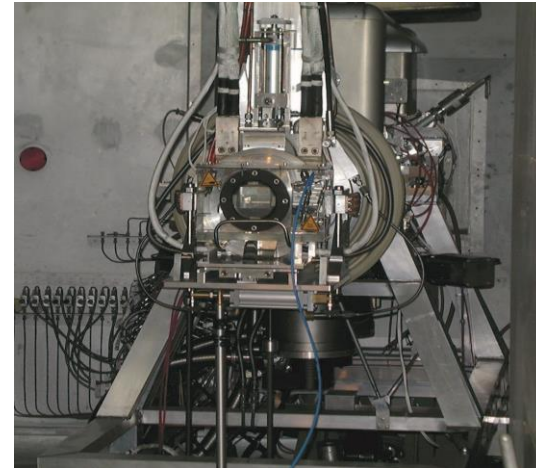
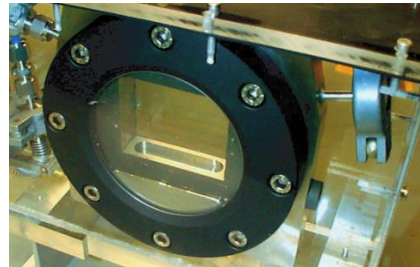
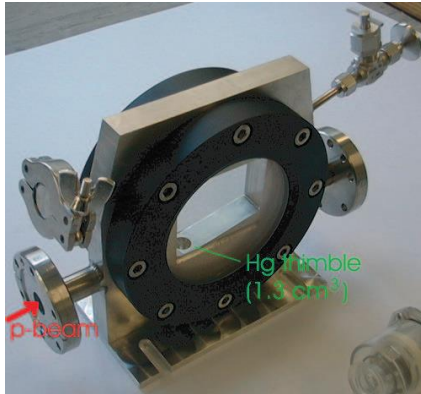
\*picture courtesy of M. Delonca

# Rare isotope production

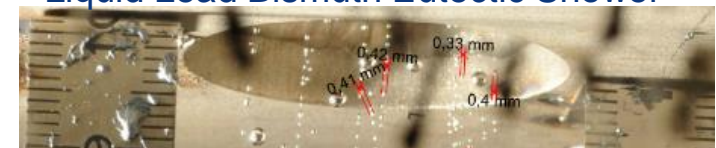
- Isotope production from **proton interacting in a target**
- **Atoms** migrates from the target to the front-end
- Once **ionized** they are transported to the users
- **Different target materials produce different isotopes**
- **Isotopes can be post accelerated**



# First mercury target experiments @ISOLDE



Liquid Lead Bismuth Eutectic Shower



- Successor could be a LIEBE like test with Pb-Bi if not in Hiradmat.
- Mercury cannot be used anymore

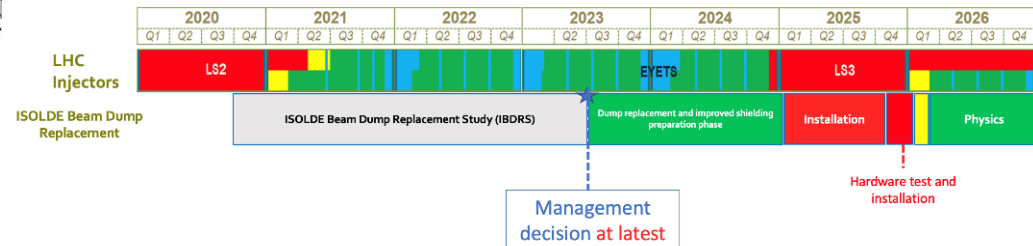
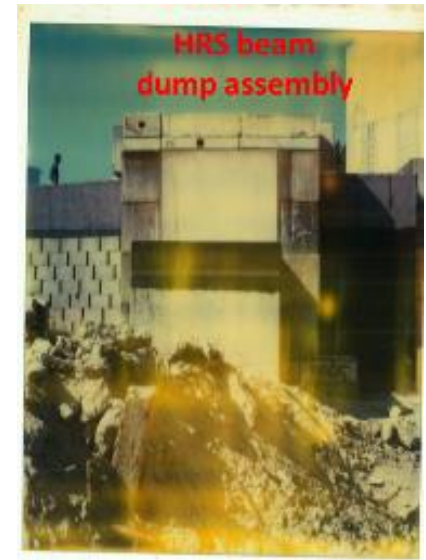
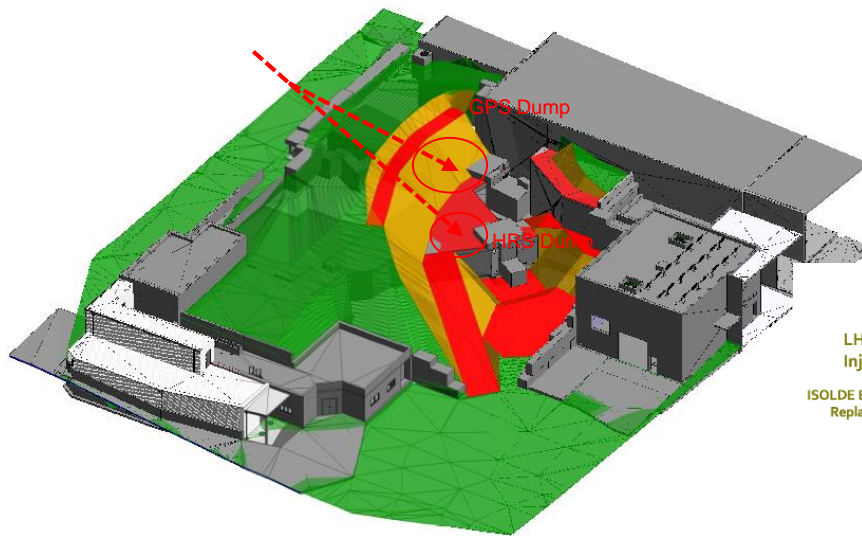
See M. Calviani presentation

# ISOLDE beam dump renovation

## ISOLDE Beam Dump Replacement Study launched in view of

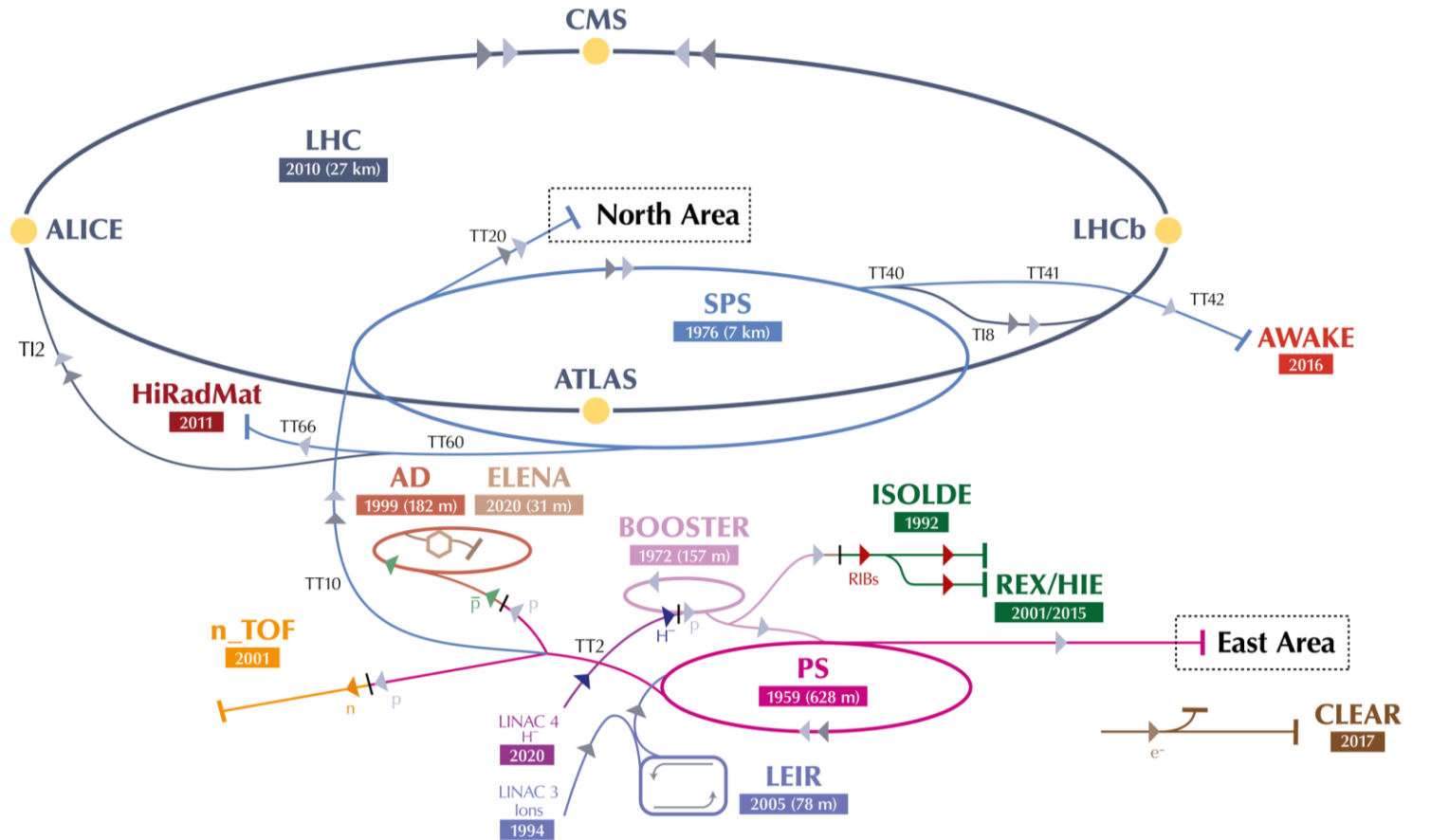
- Brainstorming on requirements and opportunities when reconstructing the area (accessibility, safety, overcome beam intensity/energy limitations....)

## New irradiation station?



A.- P. Bernardes presentation @ EPIC workshop

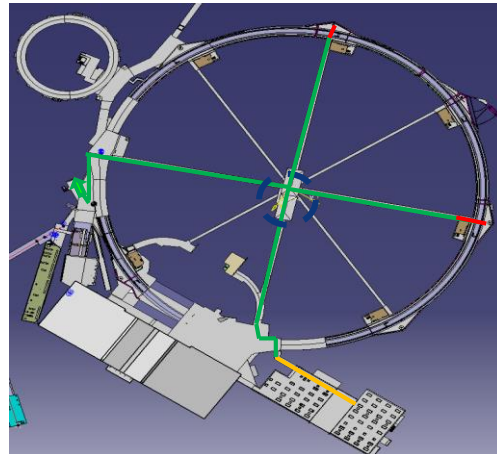
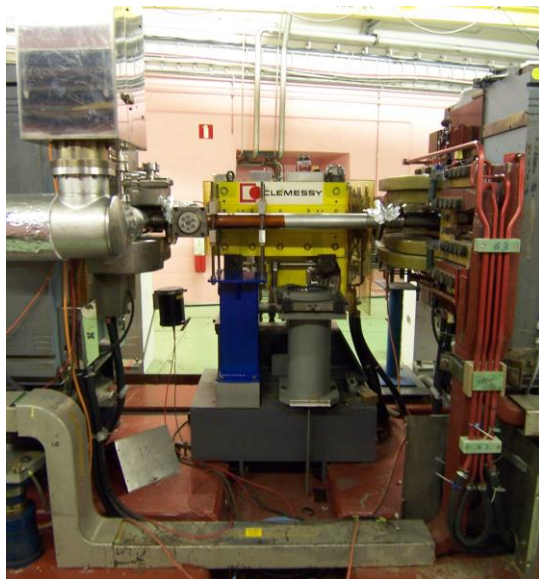
# CERN accelerator complex



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# PS main features



- ▶ Injection
  - ▶ 2 GeV protons
  - ▶ 70 MeV/n lead ions
  - ▶ Single turn injections
- ▶ Lattice: FODO with combined-function magnets
  - ▶ Transition crossing with gamma-jump at 6.1 GeV
- ▶ Acceleration cycle
  - ▶ Up to 3.6 s depending on final user
  - ▶ 1.2 cycling period
- ▶ RF:
  - ▶ 10 MHz ferrite loaded main RF system
  - ▶ 20, 40, 80 MHz for LHC beams production
  - ▶ 200 MHz for beam recapture after de-bunching
  - ▶  $h=7, 8, 16, 21, 42, 84, 168$
  - ▶ Finemet as longitudinal feedback system
- ▶ Extraction:
  - ▶ Fast extraction at 20 GeV and 26 GeV
  - ▶ Multiturn (5 turns) extraction at 14 GeV
  - ▶ Slow extraction 24 GeV
- ▶ Particles types:
  - ▶ Protons, Ions (Pb, O, S, In, Xe)
  - ▶ In the past: anti-protons,  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$
- ▶ Max total intensity:  $\sim 4e^{13}$
- ▶ External Exp. Area: East hall, AD

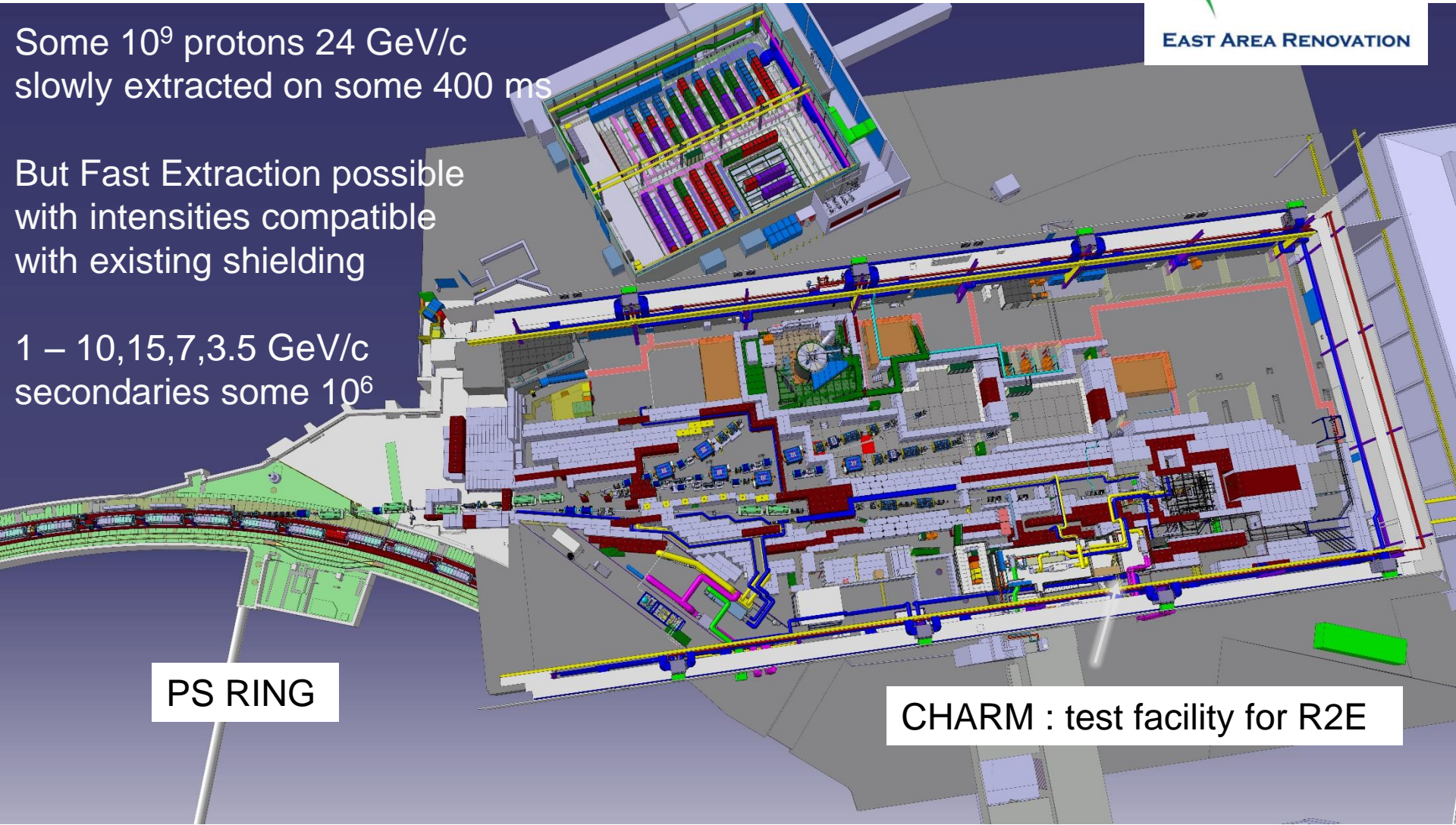
# Experimental area : EAST HALL



Some  $10^9$  protons 24 GeV/c  
slowly extracted on some 400 ms

But Fast Extraction possible  
with intensities compatible  
with existing shielding

1 – 10, 15, 7, 3.5 GeV/c  
secondaries some  $10^6$



PS RING

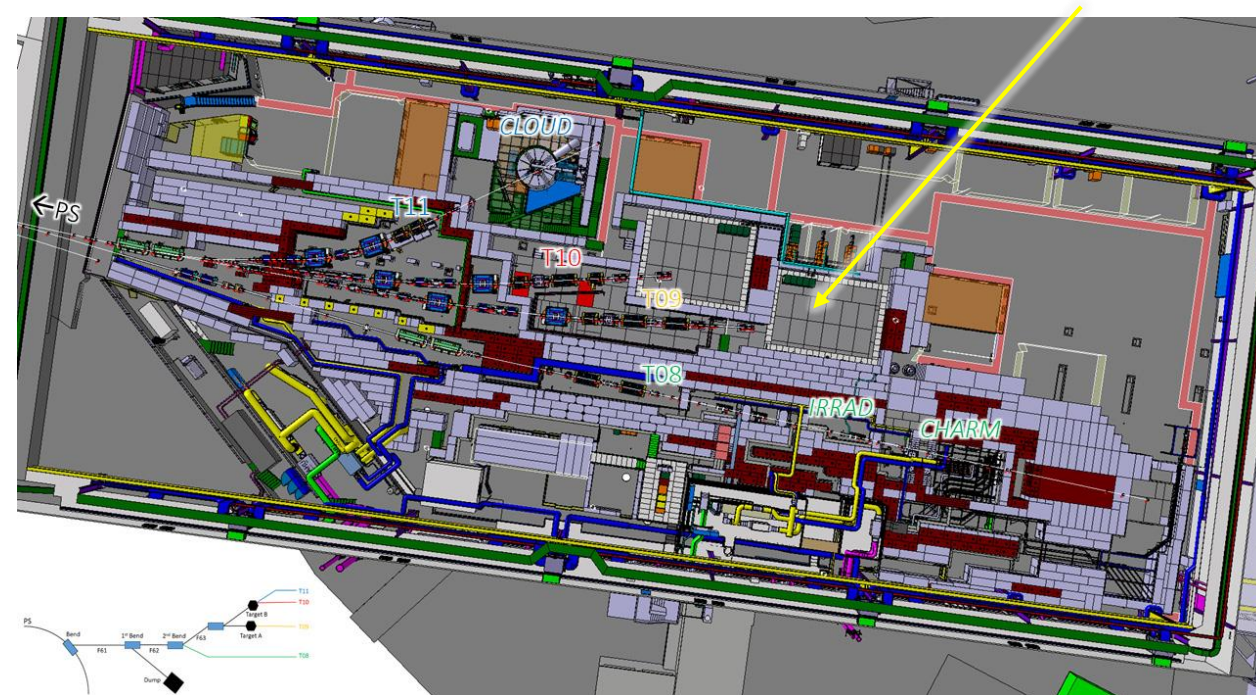
CHARM : test facility for R2E

# Experimental area : EAST HALL

Possible options:

- CHARM : material irradiation (but mainly electronics)
- A new single particle cooling experiment with muons (cells)
- Think of primary proton beam fast-extracted at some GeV up to 24 GeV, think of secondary beam with a time structure

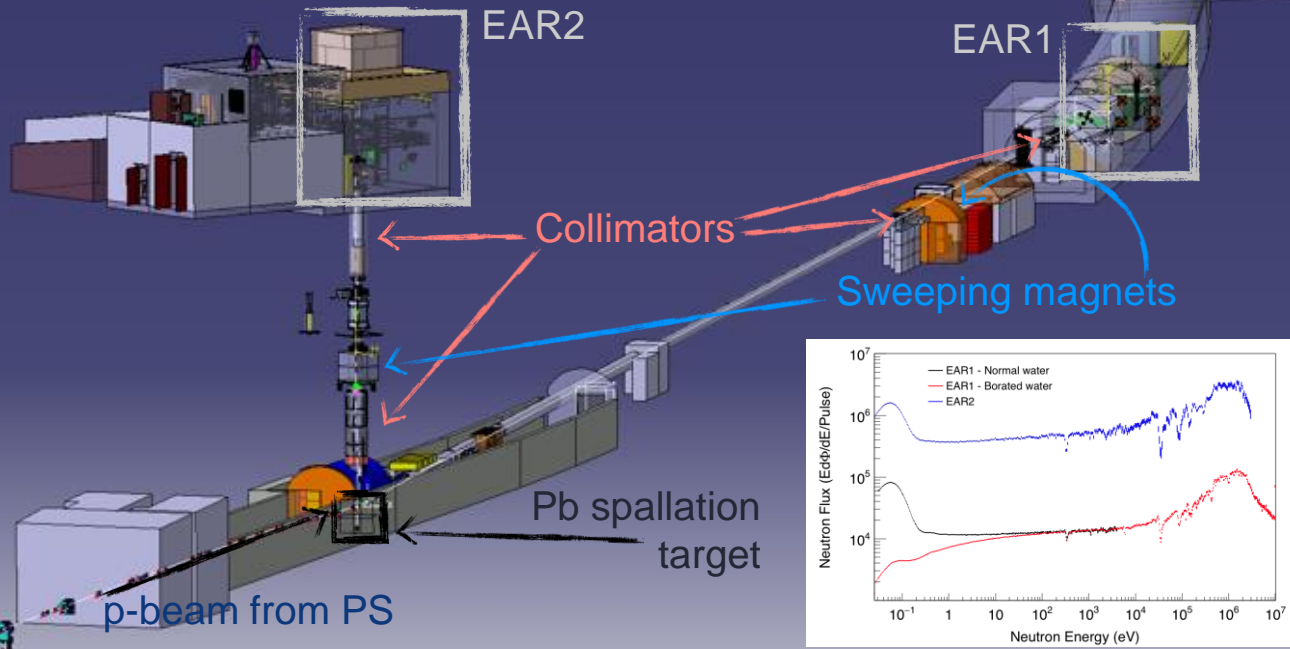
Harp used to be here



- **Secondary beams:**
  - Momentum < 15 GeV/c
  - Irradiation facilities CHARM and IRRAD
  - Test beamlines T9 and T10
  - T11 beamline for CLOUD experiment
  - Horizontal momentum selection
- **Particle types and intensity**
  - Pure electrons, hadrons, muons
  - Max.  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^6$  particles per spill
- **Spill structure from PS**
  - 400ms spill length
  - Typically 1 spill every 18s (15bp), more on request
- Quick access from control room to experimental area (< 1 minute)
- Short cables

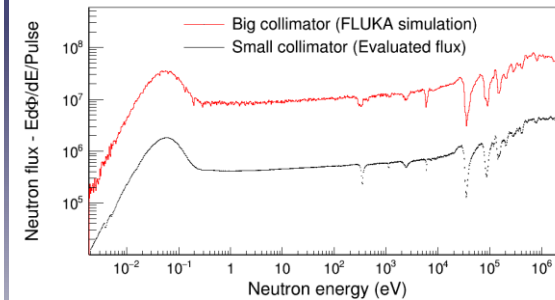
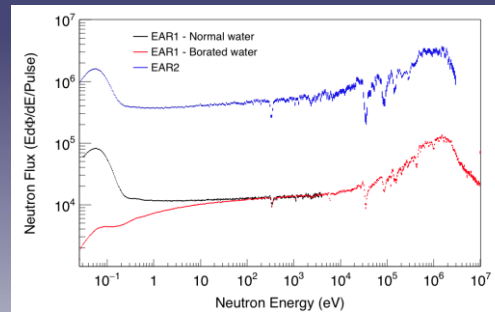
# The n\_TOF beam: neutron beam lines

2 beam lines (185 and 20 m)  
 2 experimental areas (EAR1 and EAR2), both Class-A lab



## Some figures

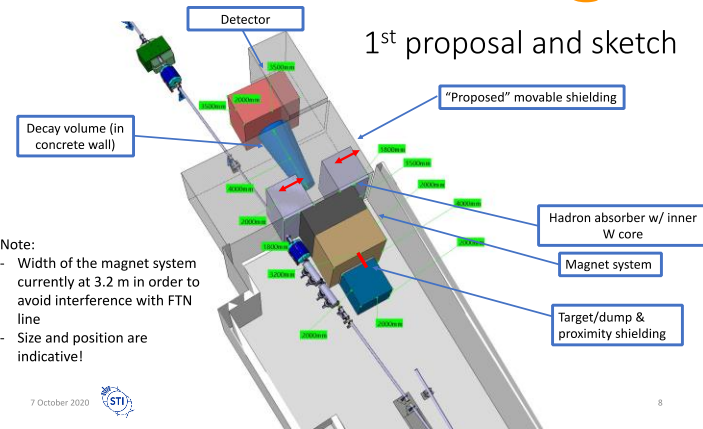
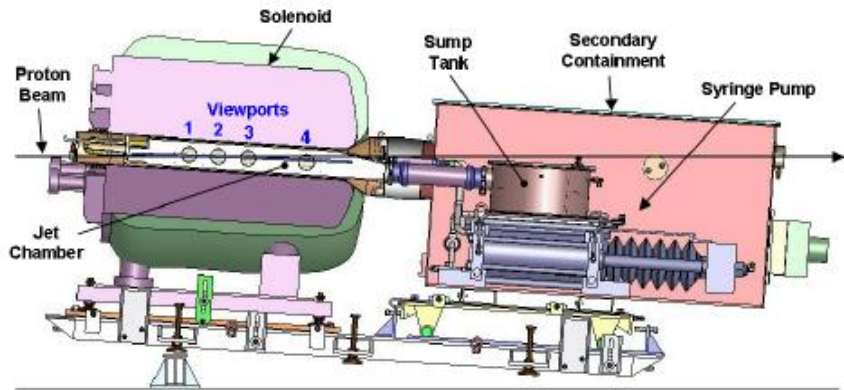
	EAR1	EAR2
Wide energy range	thermal to 1 GeV	thermal to 300 MeV
High instantaneous neutron flux	$2 \times 10^5$ n/cm <sup>2</sup> /pulse	$3 \times 10^6$ n/cm <sup>2</sup> /pulse
Low repetition rate	< 0.8 Hz (1 pulse/2.4 s max)	
High energy resolution	$\Delta E/E=10^{-4}$ (@10 keV)	$\Delta E/E=10^{-3}$ (@10 keV)



- Main feature of n\_TOF is the synthesis of extremely high instantaneous neutron flux and excellent energy resolution
- Unique facility for measurements of radioactive isotopes (maximize S/N)
  - Branch point isotopes (astrophysics)
  - Actinides (nuclear technology)

# Merit Experiment Location

SHiP@PS

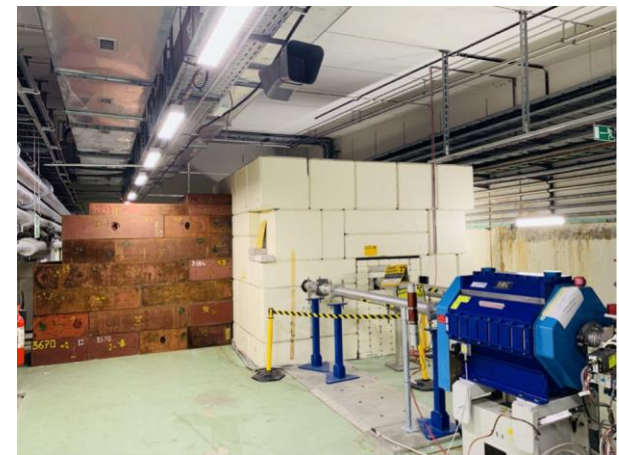
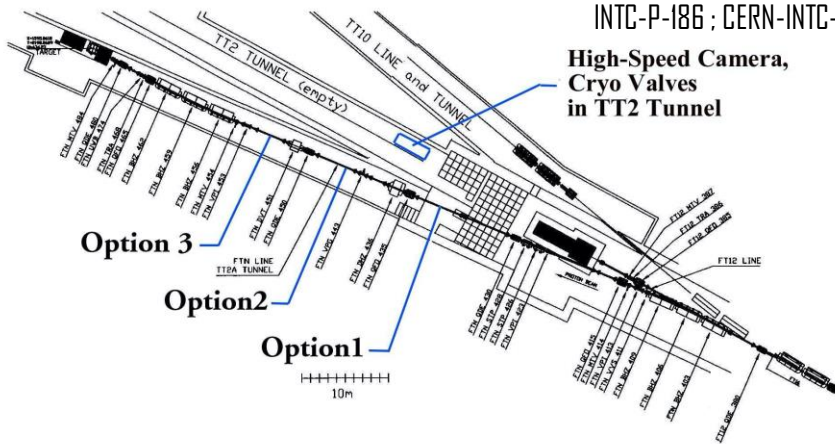


Note:  
 - Width of the magnet system currently at 3.2 m in order to avoid interference with FTN line  
 - Size and position are indicative!

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High-Speed Camera, Cryo Valves in TT2 Tunnel



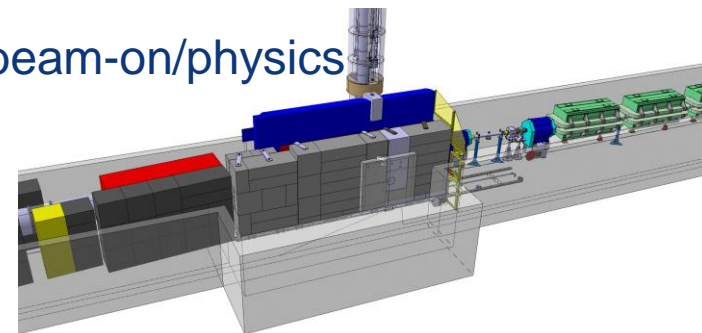
FTN – line : Location explored in the past for a colling experiment at CERN

Same flexibility as in MERIT not possible because of n\_TOF operation.

Proposal by M. Calviani et al. in the framework of the PS external dump renovation with horizon LS3

# n\_TOF NEAR

beam-on/physics



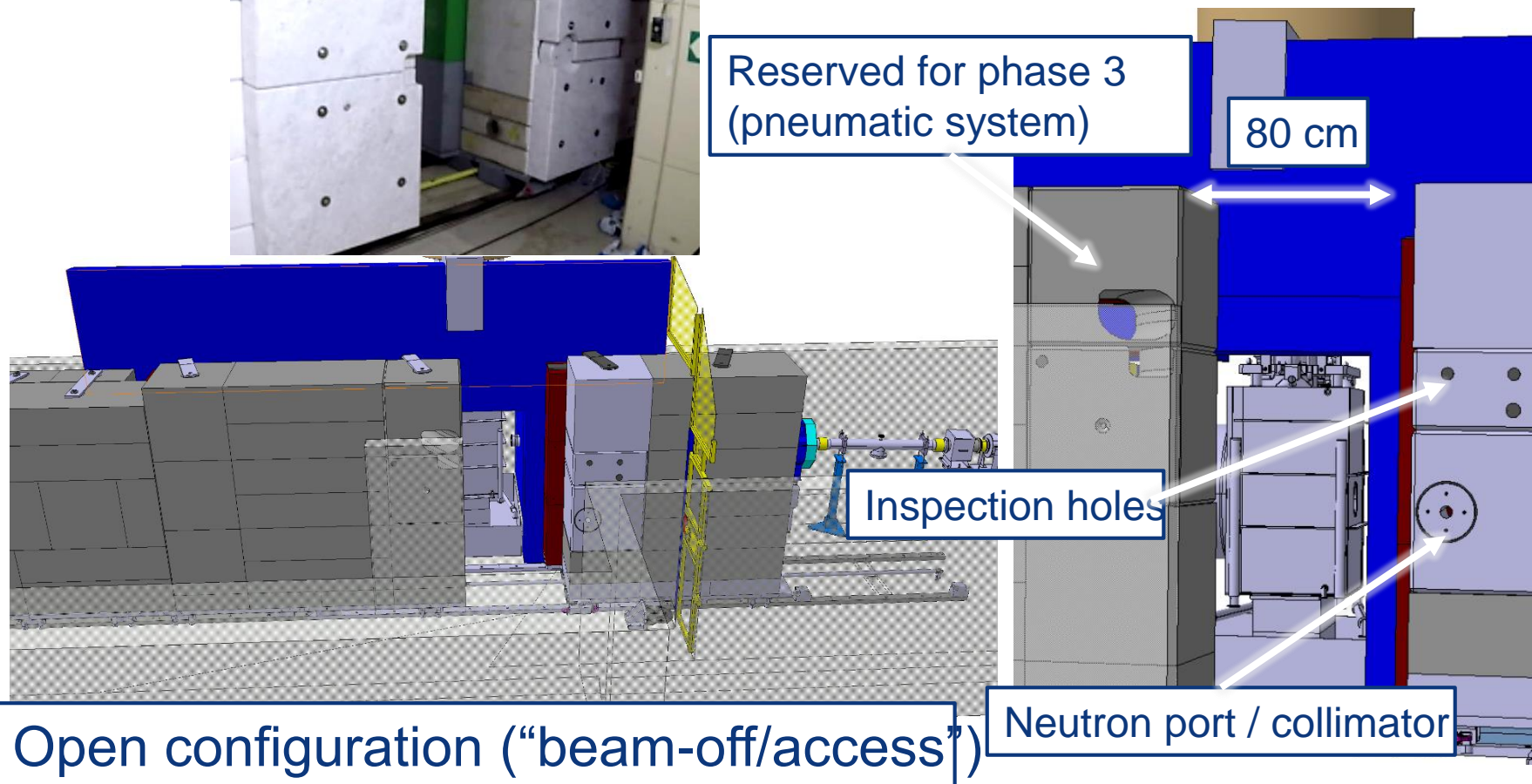
Reserved for phase 3  
(pneumatic system)

80 cm

Inspection holes

Neutron port / collimator

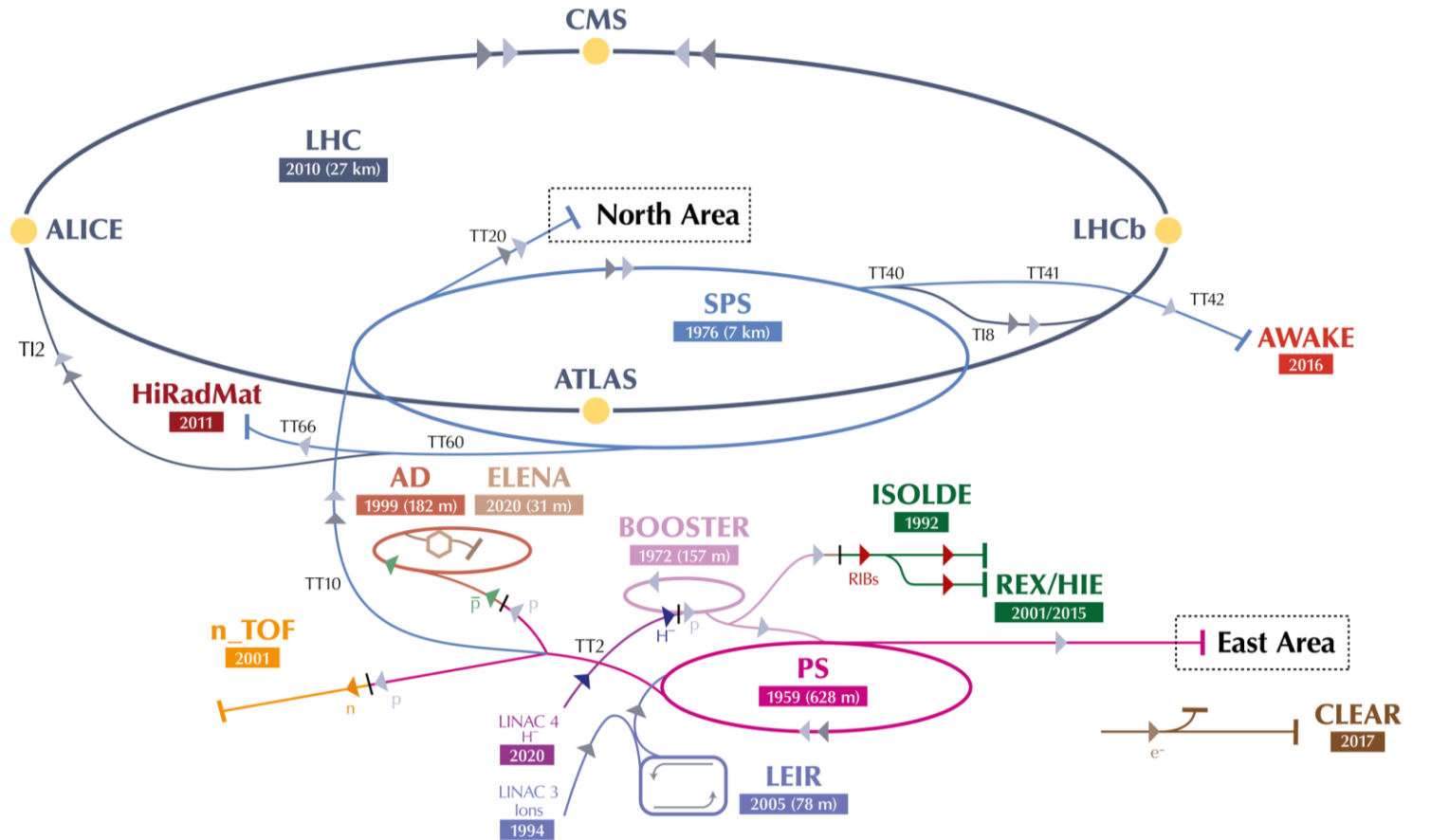
Open configuration ("beam-off/access")



# Irradiation facility summary

FACILITY	status	Radiation field	Fluence/dose	Goal - limits
CHARM	existing	Mixed, high E p, n, p...	$\approx 10^{11}$ weekly HEH* 100 Gy/week	R2E – particle damage to electronics low fluence for materials
IRRAD	existing	Protons, 24 GeV/c	$10^{16}$ p cm <sup>-2</sup> /5 days	Detectors, electronics, accelerator component; Small irradiation spot
ISIS @ ISOLDE	In progress	Mixed field n, p, g...	>2.5 MGy/y @50 cm /target	✓ Materials studies at low dose rate in mixed field
NEAR @ n-TOF	In progress	Mixed field mostly n	$\approx 1$ MGy/y	✓ Materials studies at low dose rate in mixed field

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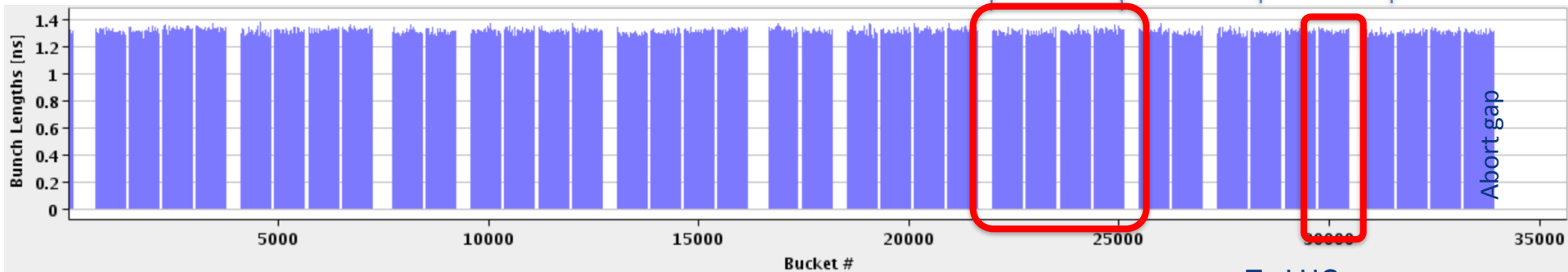


# SPS main parameters



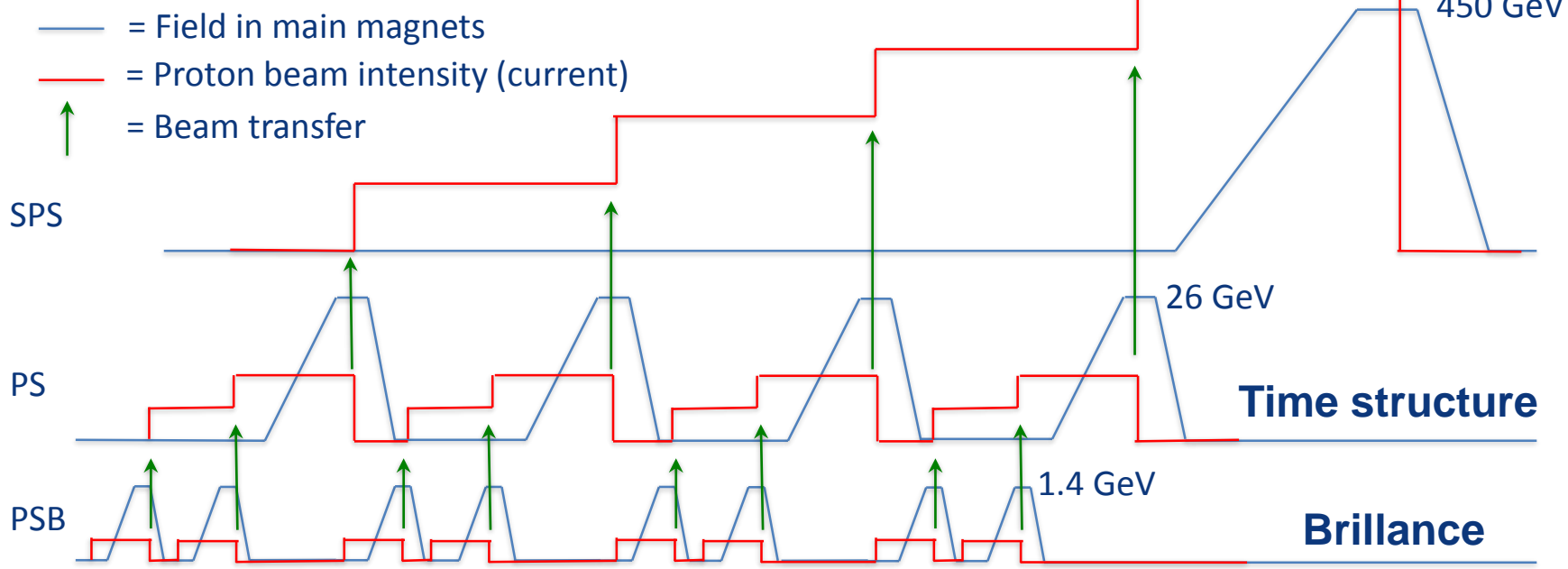
- ▶ Injection
  - ▶ 14 GeV or 26 GeV protons
  - ▶ 26 GeV proton equivalent Pb ions
  - ▶ Multi-batch injection from PS
- ▶ Lattice: FODO with dispersion free SS
  - ▶ Transition crossing for injection below 20 GeV. No gamma-jump
- ▶ Acceleration cycle
  - ▶ Up to 21.6 s (depending on user)
  - ▶ 1.2 cycling period
- ▶ RF:
  - ▶ Main system: 200 MHz travelling wave
  - ▶ 800 MHz to control longitudinal emit.
- ▶ Extraction:
  - ▶ Slow extraction at 400 GeV
  - ▶ Fast extraction at 450 GeV
- ▶ Operation in p-pbar collider mode
  - ▶ Machine on indefinite coast @ 270 GeV
- ▶ Particles types:
  - ▶ Protons, Pb, pbar, e+,e-, O, In, S, Xe
- ▶ Max total intensity:  $\sim 5.3 \times 10^{13}$
- ▶ External Exp. Area: North Area, HIRADMAT, AWAKE, Neutrino Platform

# LHC and Injectors – 25 ns



LHC - 26.7 km - ~2500 bunches – 25 ns

To LHC



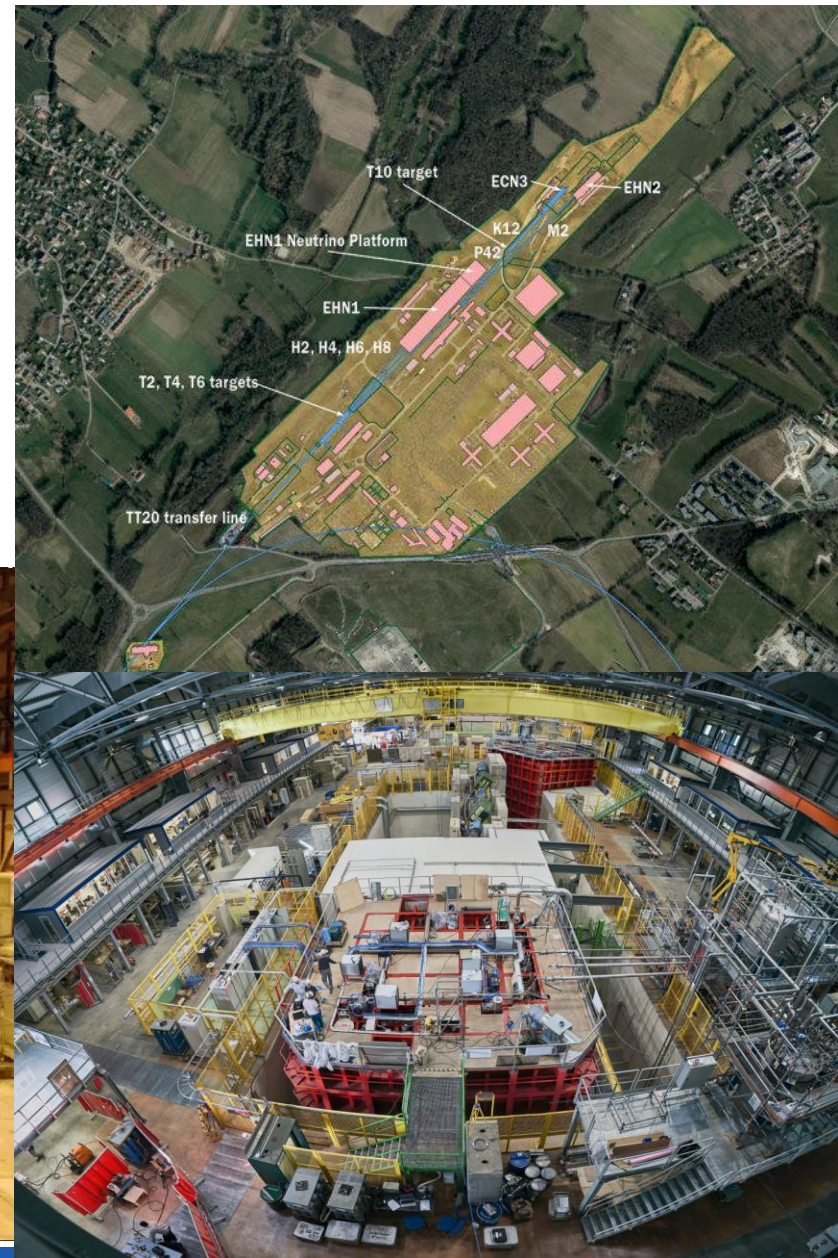
1.2 seconds

Time →

# North-Area and Neutrino Platform

North Area: 400 GeV/c slow extracted protons  
4.8 s spill length

Secondaries depending on the line:  
10 - 400 GeV/c, up to  $10^8$  particles/spill



# North Area beamlines characteristics

Primary mode    Secondary mode

Parameters	T2		T4	
Beam Line	H2	H4	H6	H8
Maximum Momentum [GeV/c]	400 / 360	400 / 330	- / 205	400 / 360
Maximum Acceptance [ $\mu$ Sr]	1.5	1.5	2	2.5
Maximum $\Delta p/p$ [%]	$\pm 2.0\%$	$\pm 1.4\%$	$\pm 1.5\%$	$\pm 1.5\%$
Maximum Intensity / spill * (Hadrons / <b>Electrons</b> )	$10^7/10^5$	$10^7/10^6$	$10^7^{**}/10^5$	$10^7^{**}/10^5$
Available Particle Types	Primary protons <sup>***</sup> <b>OR</b> pure electrons <b>OR</b> mixed hadrons (pions, protons, kaons)			
Other / Special requests	<a href="mailto:sba-physicists@cern.ch">sba-physicists@cern.ch</a> & <a href="mailto:sps.coordinator@cern.ch">sps.coordinator@cern.ch</a>			

\* Imposed by Radio Protection, and not available to every zone

\*\* In some zones can be elevated up to  $10^8$  subject to certain restrictions

\*\*\* Not available in H6

A. Gerbershagen - CERN Test Beamlines



# HIRADMAT at SPS

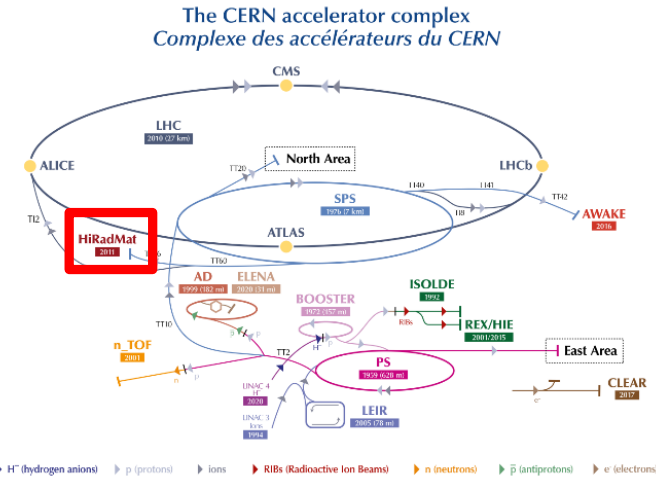
HiRadMat (High-Radiation to Materials) : users facility designed to provide high-intensity pulsed beams to irradiate material samples and accelerator component with single or multiple beam impact at 440 GeV.

Can receive LHC type beams pulses



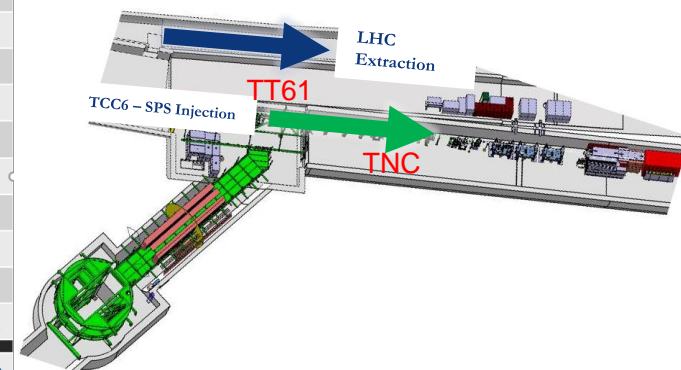
# HiRadMat in a flash

- ▶ A unique, high-energy, high-intensity pulsed beam facility dedicated to targetry & accelerator components material R&D
- ▶ LHC-like proton or ions beams, with a maximum pulse intensity of  $3.4 \times 10^{13}$  protons / pulse can be delivered in controlled conditions and to be monitored with special instrumentation.



LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n\_TOF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials

HiRadMat Proton Beam	Additional information	
Beam Energy	440 GeV	
Energy per pulse	2.436 MJ	
Bunch Intensity	5E9 to 1.2E11 protons	
Number of Bunches	1 to 288	
Minimum Pulse Intensity	5E9 protons	(1b at 5E9 ppb)
Maximum Pulse Intensity	3.46E13 protons	(288b at 1.2E11 ppb)
Current during pulse	696.4 mA	
Power during pulse	3.1E5 MW	
Pulse Length (max)	7.95 $\mu$ s	
1 $\sigma$ r.m.s. beam radius	0.5 to 2.0 mm (standard)	0.25 to 4.0 mm currently upon request
Total allocated protons/year into facility	2E16 protons	Maximum allowance per experiment is 1E16 protons



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# HIRAMAT tests interesting crystal-based schemes

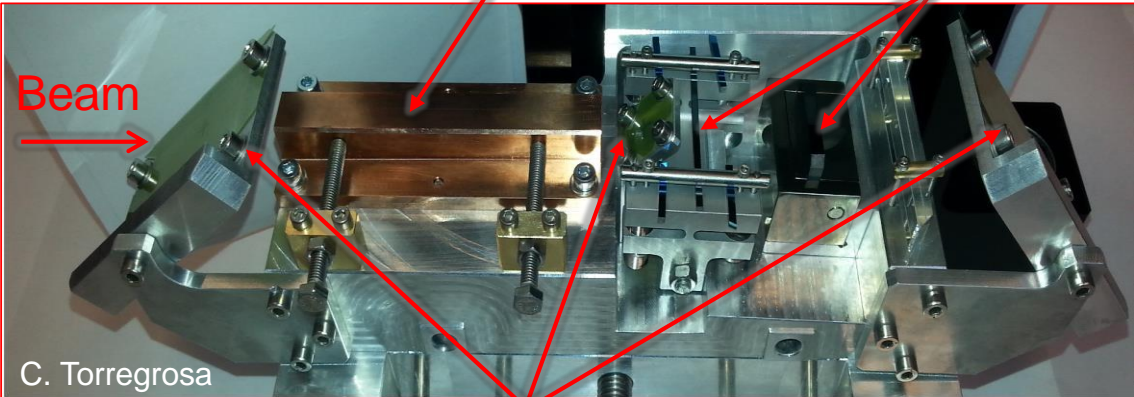
E = 440 GeV      0.3x0.3 mm size ( $1\sigma$ )  
3 pulses with 216 bunches ( $\sim 2.5e13$  ppp)  
1 pulse with 288 bunches ( $\sim 3.2e13$  ppp)

**2 LHC crystals irradiated in HiRadMat and tested before and after in H8**

## The Setup

CuCrZr Mask for beam based alignment

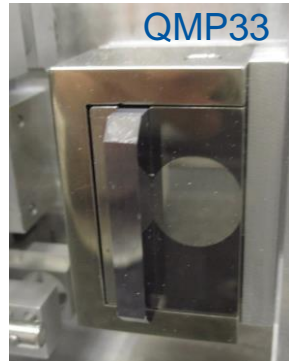
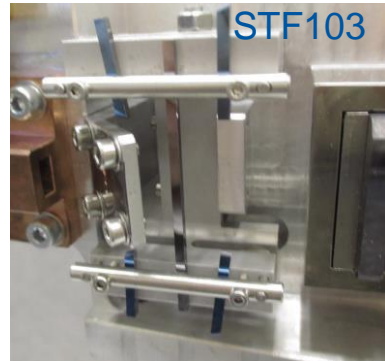
2 different types of crystals



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Gafchromic foils for beam impact crosscheck

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No macroscopic damages after irradiation



From M. Garattini

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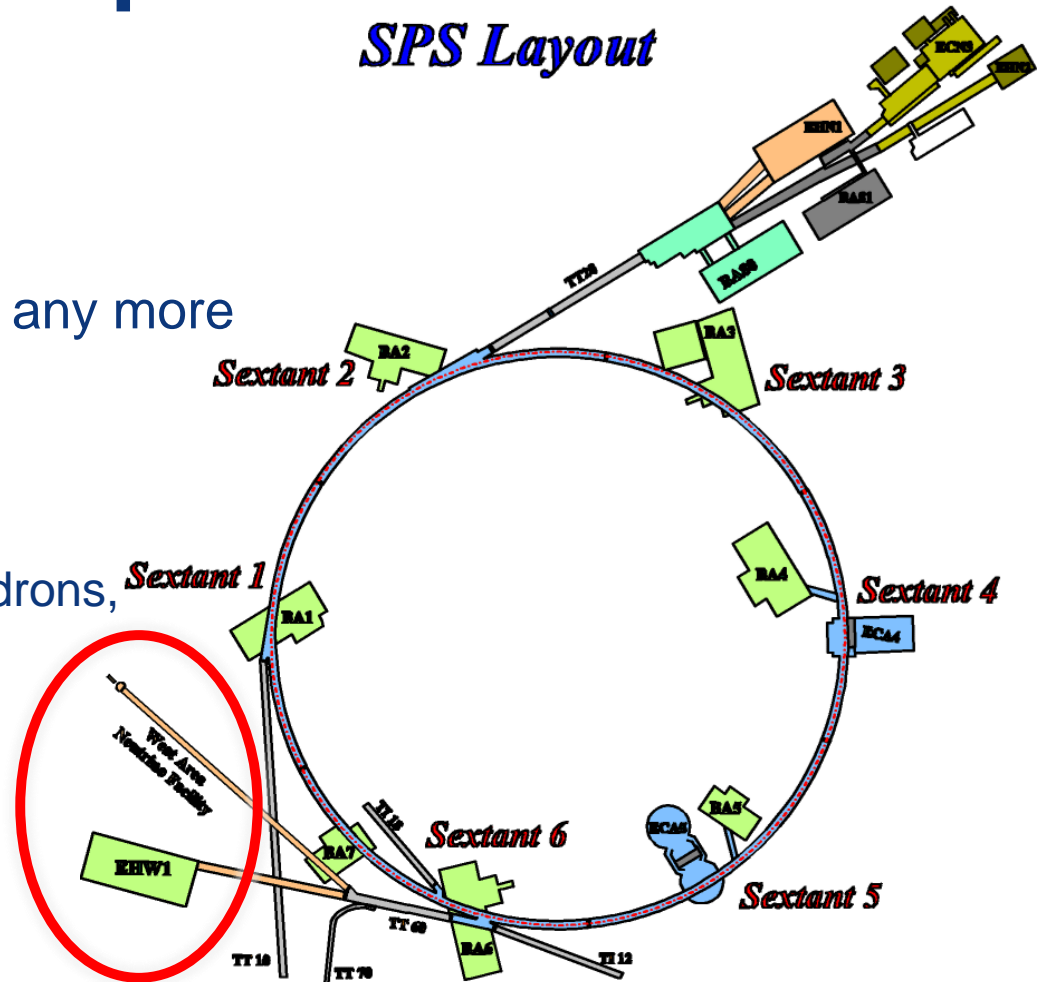
# A green solution option?

## *SPS Layout*

- West Are in Meyrin site
- Closed in 2004, no extraction any more
- Used to have

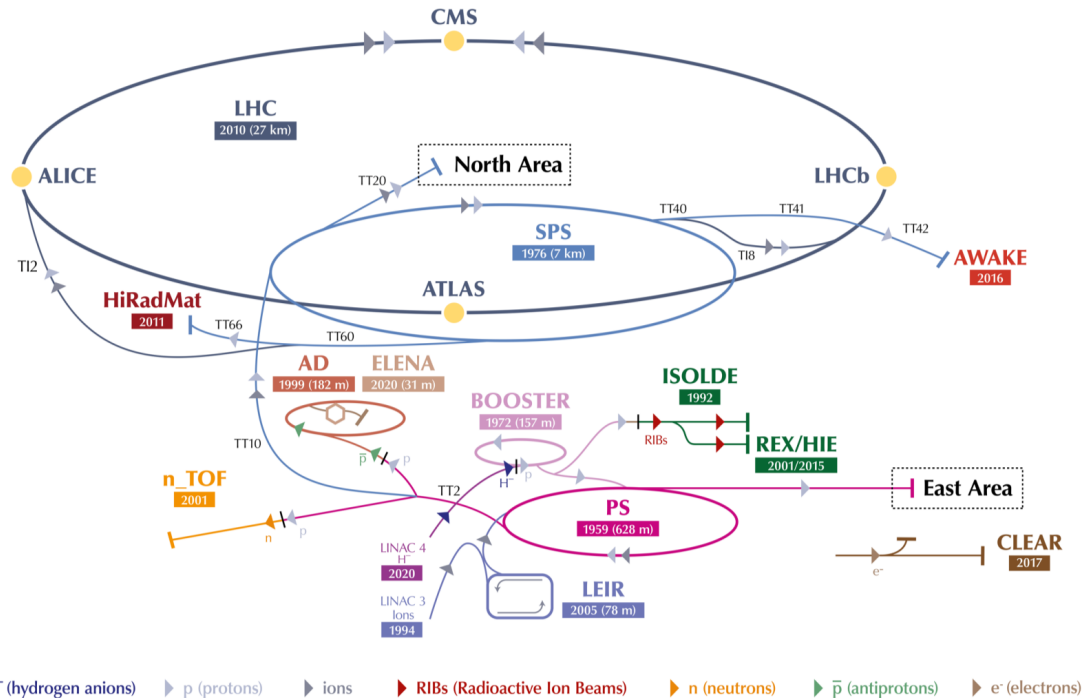
5 – 250 GeV/c, electrons/muons/hadrons,  
<  $10^6$  particles/spill

What about a muon campus...  
together with looking into  
the WANF revamping?  
(West Area Neutrino Facility)





# CERN accelerator complex



Machine development time could be accessible for beam dynamics studies, like space-charge limits in the accumulator/compressor, muon (with protons) bunch merging for the collider, etc...

Machine development time in the LHC is precious, but accessible (beam-beam, etc..)

# LHC main parameters



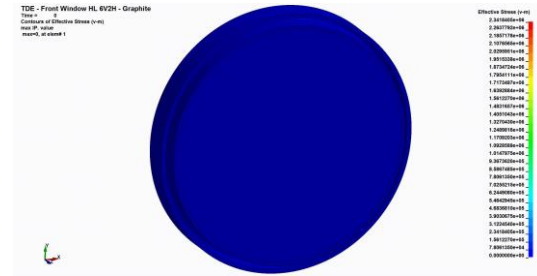
- ▶ Injection
  - ▶ 450 GeV protons
  - ▶ Multi-batch injection from SPS
- ▶ Lattice: FODO with insertions
- ▶ Collision energy:
  - ▶ 6.5 TeV (7 TeV) per beam
- ▶ RF:
  - ▶ Main system: 400 MHz SC
- ▶ Operation in collider mode
  - ▶ Machine on indefinite coast
- ▶ Particles types:
  - ▶ Protons, Ions
- ▶ Max total intensity:
- ▶ 4 Insertions for collisions
- ▶ 4 insertions for services

# LHC Beam parameters achieved

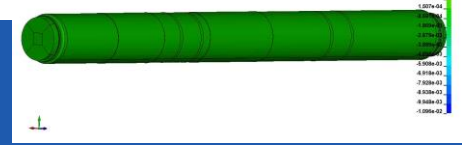
Parameter	2018	Design
<b>Energy</b> [TeV]	6.5	7.0
<b>No. of bunches</b>	2556	2808
<b>Max. stored energy</b> per beam (MJ)	312	362
<b><math>\beta^*</math></b> [cm]	30 → 25	55
<b>p/bunch</b> (typical value) [ $10^{11}$ ]	1.1	1.15
Typical normalized <b>emittance</b> [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	~1.8	3.75
Peak <b>luminosity</b> [ $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ]	2.1	1.0

# LHC Dump - cavern

- 350+ MJ dumped every 8ish hours:
- High energy density somehow at low power
- Few tons of graphite jumping by few mm at every dump
- Dump instrumented with termocouples and LDVTs



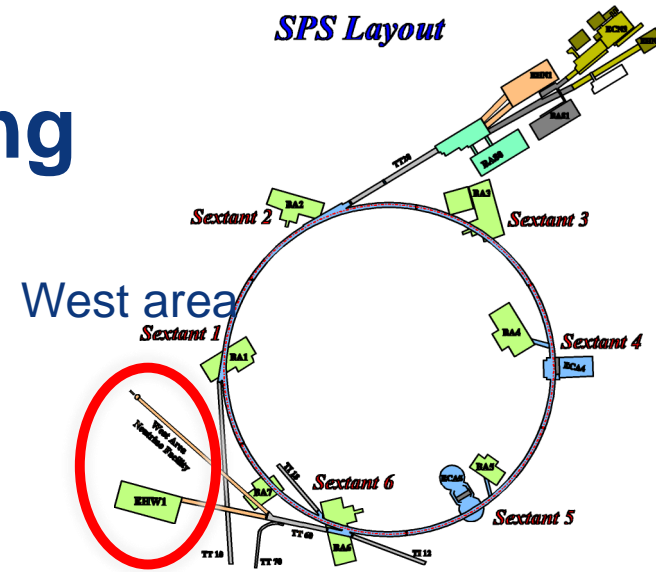
Area not accessible during runs but space in the cavern to think about tests with 7 TeV protons



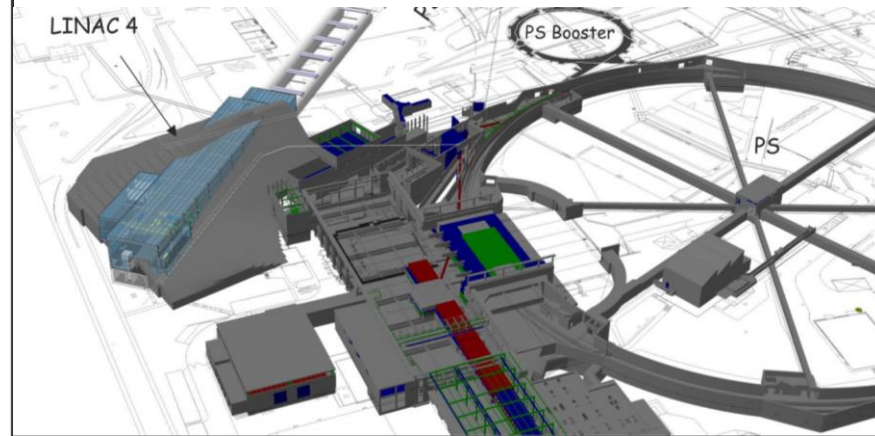
# Green field – just brainstorming

One could think of building a ~few kw - 100 kW proton source based on different technology, like an FFAG, that could serve also other purposes (R2E, FCC...)

SPS Layout



South hall



## New PS Injector: FFAG

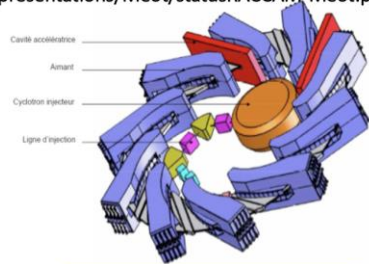
Extrapolation for scaling FFAG from RACCAM proposal



Scaling FFAG for medical applications (1.7 T peak field, 6 kV RF, acceleration in ~10 ms)

Final parameters of the RACCAM 10 cell ring and magnet :

Slide from FFAG08: <http://www.cockcroft.ac.uk/events/FFAG08/presentations/Meot/statusRACCAM-Meot.pdf>



Extraction energy, variable	70 – 180 MeV
Injection energy	5.5 – 17 MeV
Momentum ratio	3.62
Number of cells	10
Packing factor	0.34
Field index, k	5
Spiral angle	53.7 deg.
Qh / Qv	2.76 / 1.55~1.60
Radius on extraction/injection orbit : dR	3.46 m / 2.78 m / 0.67 m
Drift length, extraction/injection orbit	1.42 m / 1.15 m
Frev, 15->180 MeV	3.03 -> 7.54 MHz
Frev, 5.5->70 MeV	1.86 -> 5.07 MHz

Scaling size by 5.6 yields:

- energy range: 440 MeV -> 2.5 GeV
- injection/ejection radius: 15.57m/19.38m
- RF: 2.2 MHz to 2.4 MHz

More sectors and larger spiral angle would improve a bit

Thanks for your attention

