

*The REDTOP experiment*  
*An eta/eta' factory to explore*  
*Physics Beyond the Standard Model*



*Rare Eta Decays with a*  
*Tpc for Optical Photons*

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# Rationale for an $\eta/\eta'$ Factory

- ▣ Recent LHC results suggest that the next search for New Physics should be in the MeV-GeV mass range with high-luminosity experiments (ex. Fixed target)
- ▣ “...many of the more severe astrophysical and cosmological constraints that apply to lighter states are weakened or eliminated, while those from high energy colliders are often inapplicable” (B. Batell , M. Pospelov, A. Ritz – 2009).
- ▣ “...Light dark matter must be neutral under SM charges, otherwise it would have been discovered at previous colliders...” [G. Krnjaic RF6 Kickoff Meeting, August 12, 2020]
- ▣ The only known particles with all-zero quantum numbers are the  $\eta/\eta'$  mesons and the Higgs boson
- ▣ The structure of the  $\eta/\eta'$  mesons has never been fully understood: it might very well contain a non-quark (BSM) component
- ▣ All electromagnetic and strong decays of the neutral and long-lived  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$  are suppressed at first order and weak decays have branching ratios of order  $10^{-11}$ . Branching Ratio of processes from New Physics are enhanced compared to SM and easier to detect.



An  $\eta/\eta'$  factory could be considered a low-energy Higgs factory

# Detecting BSM Physics with REDTOP ( $\eta/\eta'$ factory)



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- CP Violation (Type II - C and T odd, P even):  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell \ell$  and  $\eta \rightarrow 3\gamma$
- Test of CP invariance via  $\mu$  longitudinal polarization:  $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- CP inv. via  $\gamma^*$  polarization studies:  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$  &  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$
- CP invariance in angular correlation studies:  $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- e^+ e^-$
- T invariance via  $\mu$  transverse polarization:  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$  or  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$
- CPT violation:  $\mu$  polar. in  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \nu$  vs  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu}$  and  $\gamma$  polar. in  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

## New particles and forces searches

- Scalar meson searches (charged channel):  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 H$  with  $H \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  and  $H \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Dark photon searches:  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma A'$  with  $A' \rightarrow \ell \ell$
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- QCD axion searches:  $\eta \rightarrow \pi \pi a_{17}$  with  $a_{17} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
- New leptophobic baryonic force searches:  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma B$  with  $B \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  or  $B \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0$
- Indirect searches for dark photons new gauge bosons and leptoquark:  $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
- Search for true muonium:  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma (\mu^+ \mu^-) |_{2M_\mu} \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$
- Lepton Universality

## Other discrete symmetry violations

- Lepton Flavor Violation:  $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ e^- + c.c.$
- Double lepton Flavor Violation:  $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+ e^- e^- + c.c.$

## Other Precision Physics measurements

- Proton radius anomaly:  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$  vs  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$
- All unseen leptonic decay mode of  $\eta / \eta'$  (SM predicts  $10^{-6} - 10^{-9}$ )

## Non- $\eta/\eta'$ based BSM Physics

- Dark photon and ALP searches in Drell-Yan processes:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow A'/a \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$
- ALP's searches in Primakoff processes:  $p Z \rightarrow p Z a \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$
- Charged pion and kaon decays:  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu A' \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu e^+ e^-$  and  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu A' \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu e^+ e^-$
- Neutral pion decay:  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma A' \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$

## High precision studies on medium energy physics

- Nuclear models
- Chiral perturbation theory
- Non-perturbative QCD
- Isospin breaking due to the u-d quark mass difference
- Octet-singlet mixing angle
- Electromagnetic transition form-factors (important input for g-2)

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See also A. Mazzacane's talk

## Other discoveries

- Lepton Flavor Violation
- Double lepton Flavor

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# Present & Future $\eta$ Samples

	<i>Technique</i>	$\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$	$\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$	<i>Total <math>\eta</math></i>
<b>CB@AGS</b>	$\pi^- p \rightarrow \eta n$	$9 \times 10^5$		$10^7$
<b>CB@MAMI-B</b>	$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p$	$1.8 \times 10^6$	5000	$2 \times 10^7$
<b>CB@MAMI-C</b>	$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p$	$6 \times 10^6$		$6 \times 10^7$
<b>KLOE</b>	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$	$6.5 \times 10^5$		$5 \times 10^7$
<b>WASA@COSY</b>	$pp \rightarrow \eta pp$ $pd \rightarrow \eta {}^3\text{He}$			$>10^9$ (untagged) $3 \times 10^7$ (tagged)
<i>CB@MAMI 10 wk (proposed 2014)</i>	$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p$	$3 \times 10^7$	$1.5 \times 10^5$	$3 \times 10^8$
<b>Phenix</b>	$d Au \rightarrow \eta X$			$5 \times 10^9$
<b>Hades</b>	$pp \rightarrow \eta pp$ $p Au \rightarrow \eta X$			$4.5 \times 10^8$
<b>Near future samples</b>				
<b>GlueX@JLAB (just started)</b>	$\gamma_{12 \text{ GeV}} p \rightarrow \eta X \rightarrow$ <b>neutrals</b>			$5.5 \times 10^7/\text{yr}$
<b>JEF@JLAB (recently approved)</b>	$\gamma_{12 \text{ GeV}} p \rightarrow \eta X \rightarrow$ <b>neutrals</b>			$3.9 \times 10^5/\text{day}$
<b>REDTOP@FNAL (proposing)</b>	$p_{1.8 \text{ GeV}} Li \rightarrow \eta X$	$10^{12}$	$6 \times 10^9$	$2.5 \times 10^{13}/\text{yr}$



# The REDTOP Program

- REDTOP is more than an experiment: it is a program of BSM physics exploration through multiple running phases

## *Phase - Ia: Untagged $10^{13}$ $\eta$ mesons (Delivery Ring)*

- *Medium energy low intensity proton beam:  $\sim 2$  GeV - 30 W*
- *Near- $4\pi$  central detector*

## *Phase - Ib: Untagged $10^{11}$ $\eta'$ mesons (Delivery Ring)*

- *Medium energy low intensity proton beam:  $\sim 4$  GeV - 60 W*
- *Same detector as in Phase-Ia*

## *Phase - II: Tagged $10^{13}$ $\eta$ mesons (PIP-II)*

- *Low energy high intensity proton beam:  $\sim 0.9$  GeV - 1 MW*
- *Same detector as in Phase-Ia + fwd tagging detector*

## *Phase - III: Tagged $10^{13}$ $\eta'$ mesons (Booster upgrade)*

- *Low energy high intensity proton beam:  $\sim 2$  GeV - 1 MW*
- *Same detector as in Phase-II*

## *Possible More Phases*

- *Reuse REDTOP detector with different beam species ( $K$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\pi$ )*

# REDTOP Beam Requirements



## *Phase - I: Untagged $10^{13}$ $\eta/\eta'$ mesons*

Fermilab  
Delivery ring

- *CW beam:  $\sim 2$  GeV ( $\eta$ )-  $\sim 4$ ( $\eta'$ ) GeV*
- *Low intensity :  $10^{11}$  POT/sec or  $10^{18}$  POT/yr on solid target*
- *Multiple (10) thin Li or Be targets to disentangle event pileup*

vs LHCb@40 MHz



Inelastic interaction rate:  $\sim 0.5$  GHz  
Average event multiplicity  $\approx$   
4 charged + 4 neutral  
 $\eta/\eta'$  production rate:  $\sim 2.3$  MHz

## *Phase - II: Tagged $10^{12} - 10^{13}$ $\eta/\eta'$ mesons*

Fermilab  
PIP-II

- *CW beam:  $\sim 0.9$  GeV ( $\eta$ ) and  $\sim 1.7$ ( $\eta'$ ) GeV*
- *High intensity beam :  $10^{21}$ - $10^{22}$  POT/yr on De gaseous target*



Inelastic interaction rate:  $\sim 13 - 130$  GHz  
 $\eta/\eta'$  production rate:  $\sim 0.1 - 1$  MHz



# Detector Requirements and Technology

- Calorimetric  $\sigma(E)/E < 5\%/ \sqrt{E}$
- High PID efficiency: 98/99% ( $e, \gamma$ ), 95% ( $\mu$ ), 95% ( $\pi$ ), 99.5% ( $p, n$ )
- $\sigma_{tracker}(t) \sim 50\text{psec}$ ,  $\sigma_{calorimeter}(t) \sim 80\text{psec}$ ,  $\sigma_{Rich}(t) \sim 80\text{psec}$
- Low-mass vertex detector
- Near  $4\pi$  detector acceptance (as the  $\eta/\eta'$  decay is almost at rest).

## charged tracks detection

### *Option 1: Optical-TPC*

- Barions and most pions are below threshold
- Electrons and most muons are detected and reconstructed

### *Option 2: Ultra-light LGAD Tracker*

- 4D track reconstruction for multihadron rejection
- Complemented with outer *quartz* tiles for TOF measurements
- $<150\mu\text{m}$  total layer thickness

## $\gamma/e$ detection

- *ADRIANO2* tile calorimeter
- *Calice and T1604*
- PFA + Dual-readout+HG
- PID from scintillation vs Cerenkov
- Light sensors: SiPM or SPADs
- 96.5% coverage

*Fiber tracker* (LHCB style) for rejection of background from  $\gamma$ -conversion and reconstruction of secondary vertices ( $\sim 70\mu\text{m}$  resolution)



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All new detector techniques need to be developed

and

# The REDTOP Detector



## Optical-TPC

For slow background rejection  
or

**LGAD Tracker surrounded by Quartz cells**

For 4D track reconstruction and TOF measurements

## 5D- Calorimeter: ADRIANO2

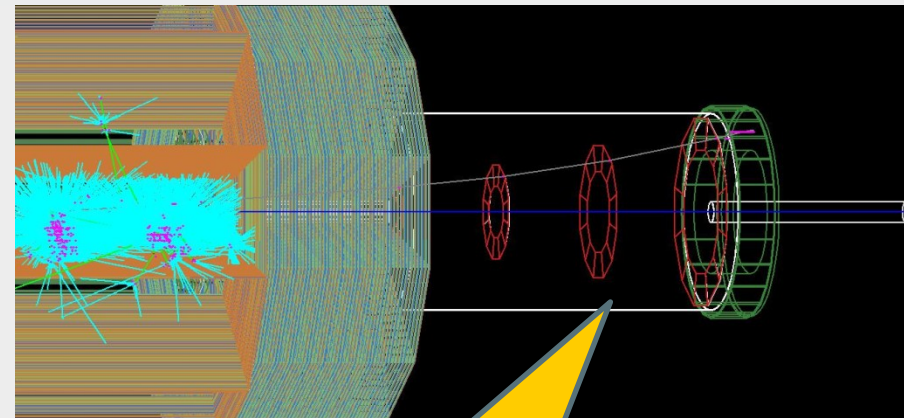
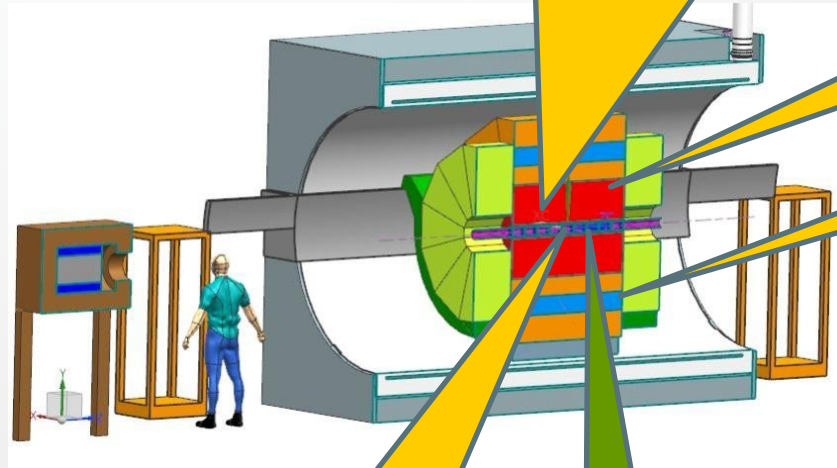
(Dual-readout +PFA)

Sci and Cer light read by SiPM or SPAD

For excellent energy, position resolution and PID

**-polarimeter (optional)**

sandwich of fused silica and Si-pixel  
for measurement of muon polarization



## Vertex Fiber tracker

for rejection of  $\pi$ -conversion  
and identifying displaced vertices from long lived particles

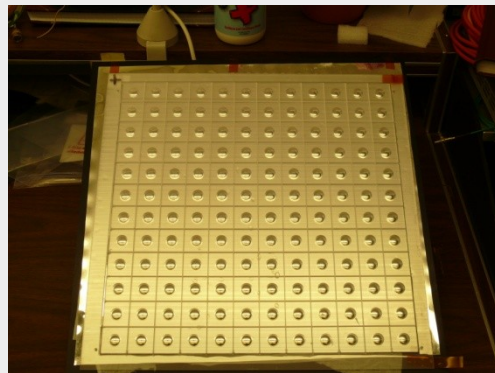
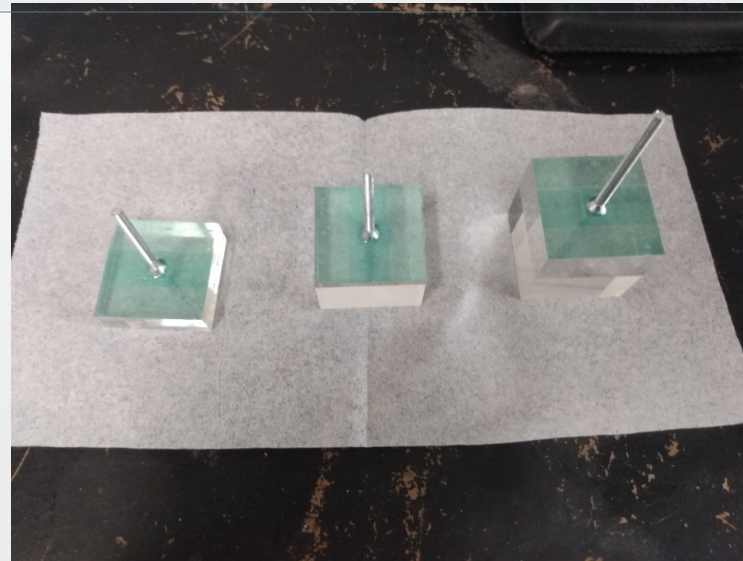
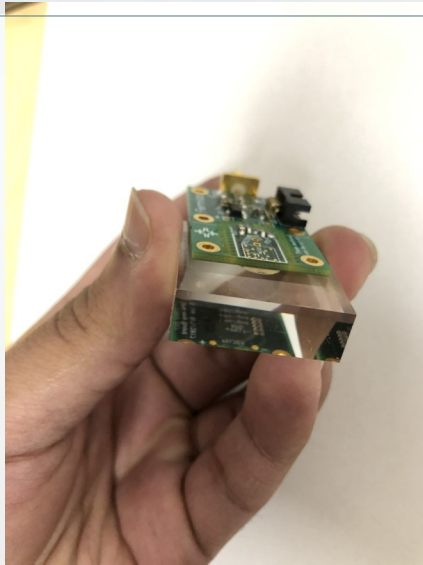
**10x Be or Li targets**

## Forward Detector for Phase-2

for tagging  ${}^3\text{He}^{++}$  ions

# ADRIANO2 R&D: T1604 and CALICE

Sandwich of Pb-glass and scintillating tiles for dual-readout technique



Board 26 x 40 mm<sup>2</sup>

SiPM footprints on both sides:

- S13360-2050
- S13360-3050
- S13360-6050
- 0.100" socket

MiniCircuits GALI-S66+ amplifier

Output SMA connector

Pt RTD

Peltier connecting contacts

PCB thermal break

0.050" pitch 10-contact connector LV/BV/RTD/Peltier

Parameter	Value
Gain	x12
Bandwidth	0.05-1500 MHz
Input impedance	50 ohm
Maximum output signal	-2V
Output noise	200 uV rms
Power	16mA @ 6V

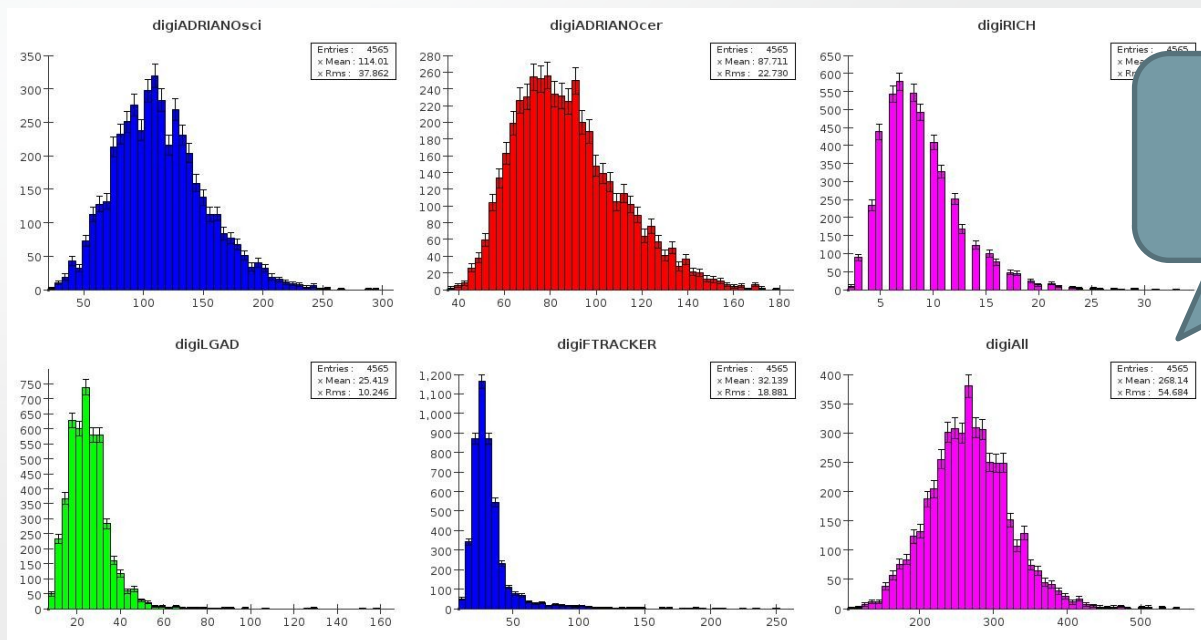
James Freeman, Sergey Los / Fermilab Oct. 13, 2020

First ADRIANO2 prototype successfully tested at FTBF in June 2021

# REDTOP Trigger Requirement



*Phase - I: Untagged  $10^{13}$   $\eta/\eta'$  mesons*  
*Hits from subdetectors*



Total channel  
 occupancy:  
 270 +/- 50 /evt

*Trigger requirements (L. Ristori, A. Kotwal)*

Level	Algo	Detectors	Hardware	Rejection factor
L0	$\Sigma$ LGAD, RICH & ADRIANO-Cer	LGAD, RICH, ADRIANO	Fast sum	100
L1	identification of a pair of leptons, $\gamma$ -conversion rejection, TOF	LGAD, RICH, ADRIANO Fiber Tracker	FPGA	100
L2	Reco	All	2000 CPU-cores	>100

# Storage & CPU

## *Expected data rates from the experiment*

- About 100 Hz to be stored on tape
- ~0.25 MB/sec from L2
- ~2.5 PB/year to tape (assume 2.5 kb event size)

## *Data from DAQ and Montecarlo*

- Data from experiment: ~2.5 PB/year to tape
- Processed data (reco, calib. Analysis, etc) : ~2.0 PB/year (tape and disk)
- Montecarlo ( $\sim 10^{11}$  events): ~0.5 PB/run (tape and disk)
- ***Total: 5 PB/year***

## *CPU for Reconstruction Analysis and Montecarlo*

- 55 million core-hours for Monte Carlo jobs
- 35 million core-hours for data reconstruction jobs
- Total: ~ 90 million core-hours /year

*(estimate by projecting current OSG usage)*

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# Summary



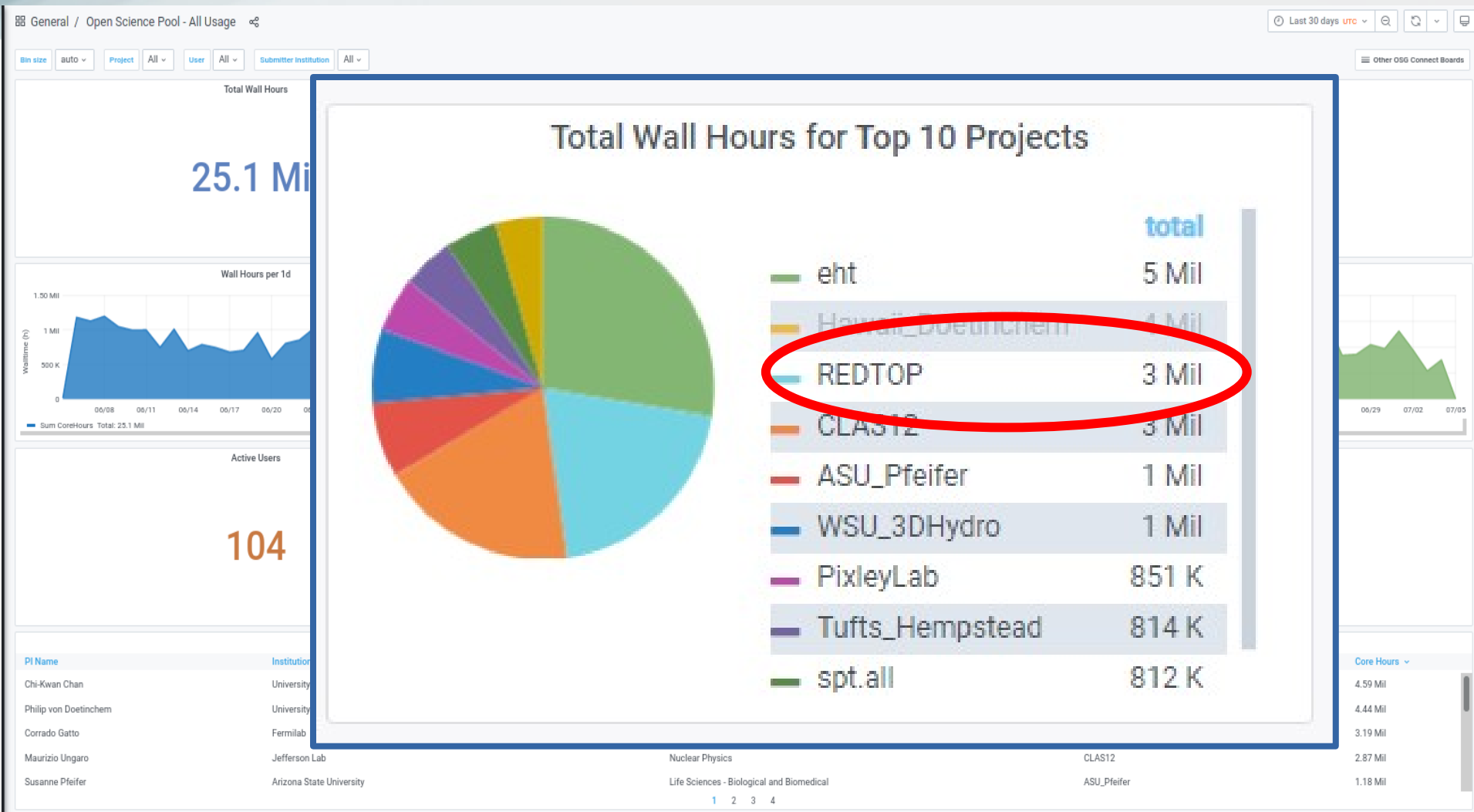
- *All meson factories: LHCb, B-factories, Dafne,  $J/\psi$  factories - have generated a broad spectrum of nice physics*
- *Existing world sample of  $\eta/\eta'$  mesons not sufficient for breaching into decays violating conservation laws or searching for new particles*
- *REDTOP goal is to produce  $>10^{13}$  untagged  $\eta$  mesons/yr and  $\sim 10^{11}$   $\eta'$  /yr in Phase-I and  $\sim 10^{13}$  tagged  $\eta$  mesons in Phase-II ( $\times 10^4$  existing world sample)*
- *Complementary to JEF  $\eta$ -factory at JLAB*
- *No similar experiment being proposed worldwide*
- *Novel detector techniques are required to cope with high interaction rate and background. Sub-nsec timing is essential.*
- *Relatively low beam requirements could be met by several laboratories in US, Europe and Asia*
- *Fermilab only laboratory with beam for Phase-I (Delivery Ring) and Phase-II (PIP-II).*
- *More details: <https://redtop.fnal.gov>*

# Backup slides





# REDTOP OSG Monthly Usage Statistics





# Overall Computing Usage

- *Computing resources for REDTOP are from three sources:*
  - *OSG: CPU and stash storage*
  - *NICADD/NIU: CPU and permanent storage*
  - *Fermilab (private farm hosted by AD) : CPU and permanent storage*

## *Summary of computing*

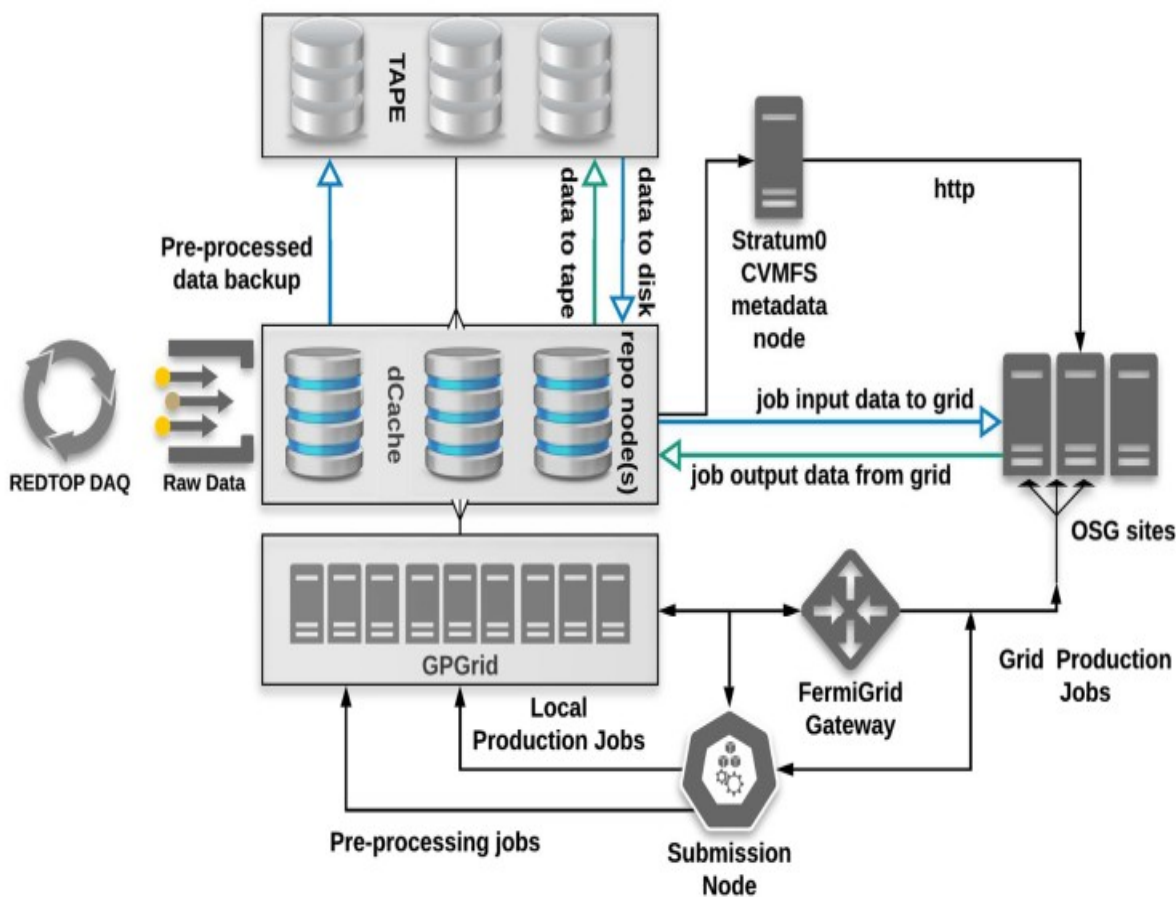
Source	Storage	#core available	Jobs/yr	Wall hr/yr	Fraction
OSG	100 TB (with peaks of 140 TB)	opportunistic	$7 \times 10^6$	$14 \times 10^6$	72%
NICADD	15 TB	500-690	$4 \times 10^6$	$5 \times 10^6$	26%
Fermilab-AD	200 TB	350	300K	600K	2%



# REDTOP Computing Model

- *Model architecture:*
  - *Single-core computational workflow has proven to be well suited for the distributed High Throughput Computing (DHTC) environment of the OSG.*
  - *Model already adopted by other small Collaborations (IceCube, XENON, et. al.)*
- *Storage:*
  - *DataStream from the L-2 farm will be staged at (FNAL) dCache storage and sent to tape (or wherever is cheaper when the experiment runs: FNAL at present)*
  - *Stratum-0 server hosts a CVMFS repository of the REDTOP software*
- *CPU:*
  - *Any (dedicated or opportunistic) OSG working node*
  - *Member institutions can join the OSG federation and accept jobs from OSG's GlideinWMS job factory via a HostedCE deployment.*

# REDTOP Baseline Computing Model



For more details: [http://redtop.fnal.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/redtop-compute\\_v3.pdf](http://redtop.fnal.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/redtop-compute_v3.pdf)