



# ALADInO: Antimatter Large Acceptance Detector in Orbit



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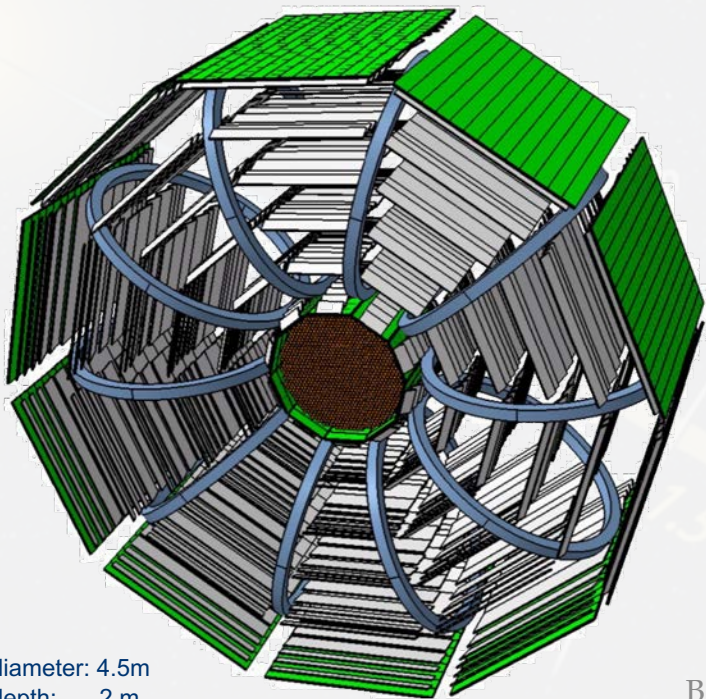
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diameter: 4.5m  
depth: 2 m

**Presented for the first time in 2016 (Bertucci B. et al, ESA call for ideas).**  
 ESA report: “[...] *Scientific breakthroughs are expected in case of discoveries. [...] In the case of antimatter search, the ALADINO investigation will be state of the art, while for dark matter and cosmic radiation search, will be the only one to investigate the particle channel, and is therefore complementary and synergetic to other efforts.*”

**Submitted in 2019 to the ESA call for VOYAGE2050  
 (Battiston R. et al,)**

Battiston, R.; Bertucci, B.; Experimental Astronomy 2021.  
 Adriani, O. *et al.*, Instruments 2022, 6(2),19.

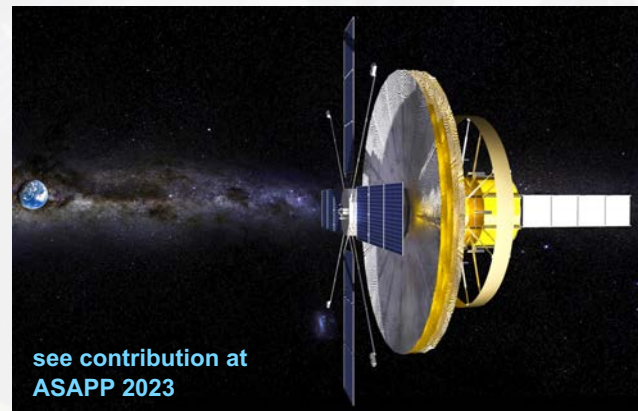
**Scientific relevance of objectives and technological roadmap  
 confirmed: AMS-100 in L2  
 S. Schael, ESA call for VOYAGE2050**

**see S.Schael talk @ this conference**

**High Precision Particle Astrophysics as a  
 New Window on the Universe**  
*with an Antimatter Large Acceptance Detector In Orbit  
 (ALADInO)*



*A White Paper submitted in response to ESA's Call for  
 the VOYAGE 2050 long-term plan*





# The quest for antimatter in Space

Direct searches in space, to quantify the imbalance of matter and antimatter in the Universe and explore DM signals

## AMS-01

~ 2 tons

10 days onboard Discovery  
STS-91 (same orbit of ISS)

June 1998

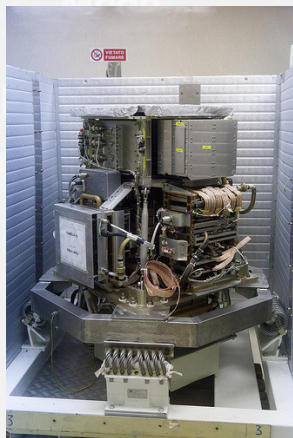


## PAMELA

470 Kg

On board Resurs-DK1 satellite

15 June 2006 – 7 February 2016



## AMS-02

~ 6.7 tons

on-board ISS  
in operation since 2011

Operations expected until 2030.

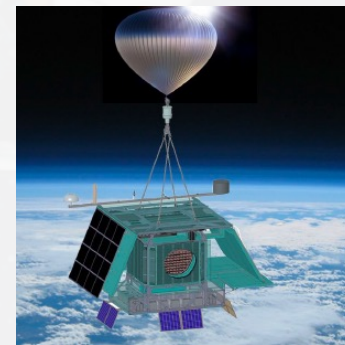


J.Casaus, G.Ambrosi  
@ this conference

## GAPS

~ 3.6 tons

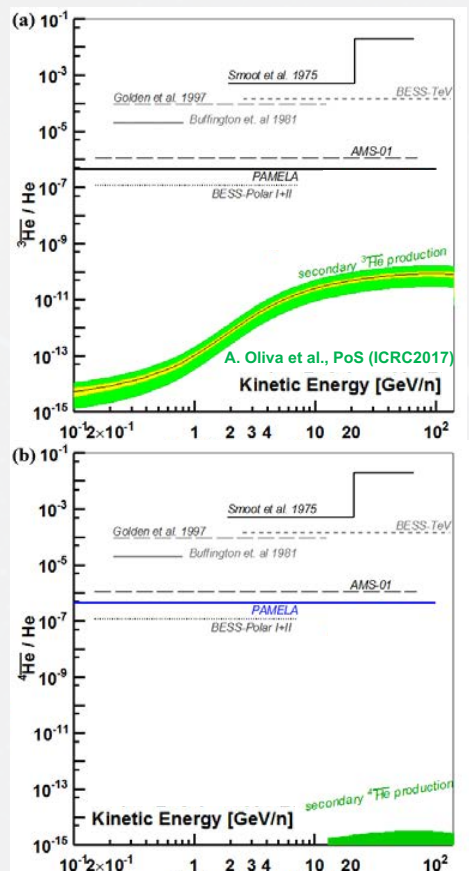
3 balloon flights  
from Antarctica (planned)



P.Von Doetnichem  
@ this conference

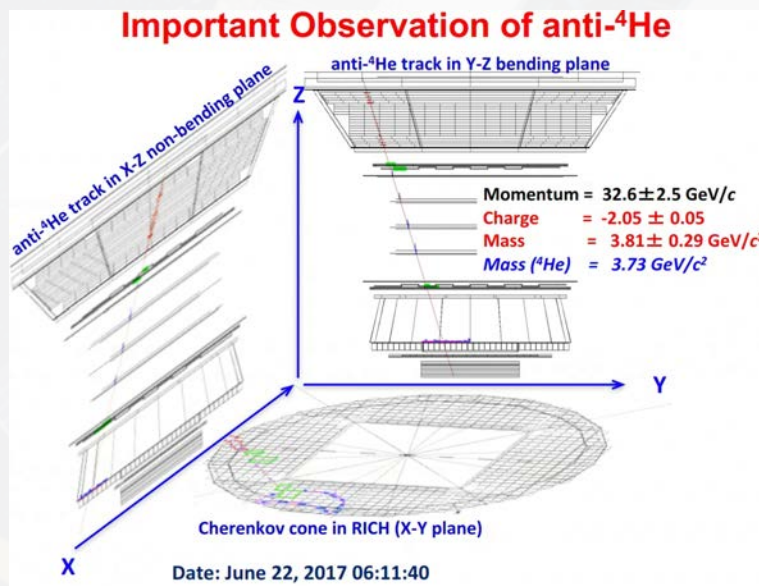
+ new approaches as ADHD  
(F.Nozzoli @ this conference)

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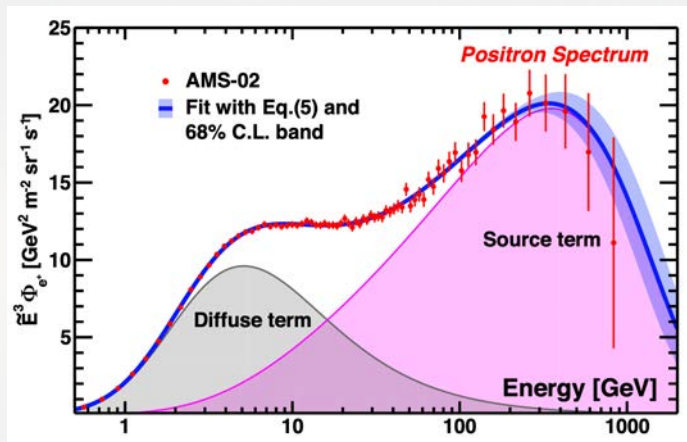


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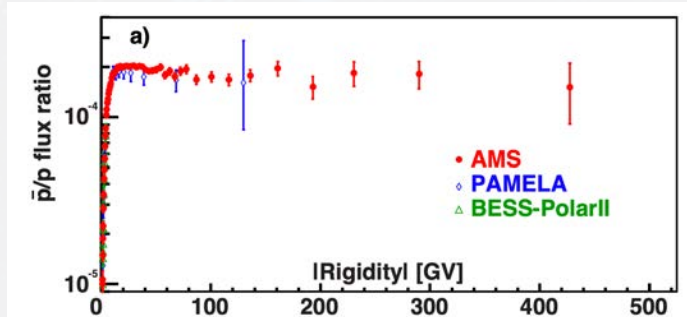
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# AMS-02 state-of-the-art results



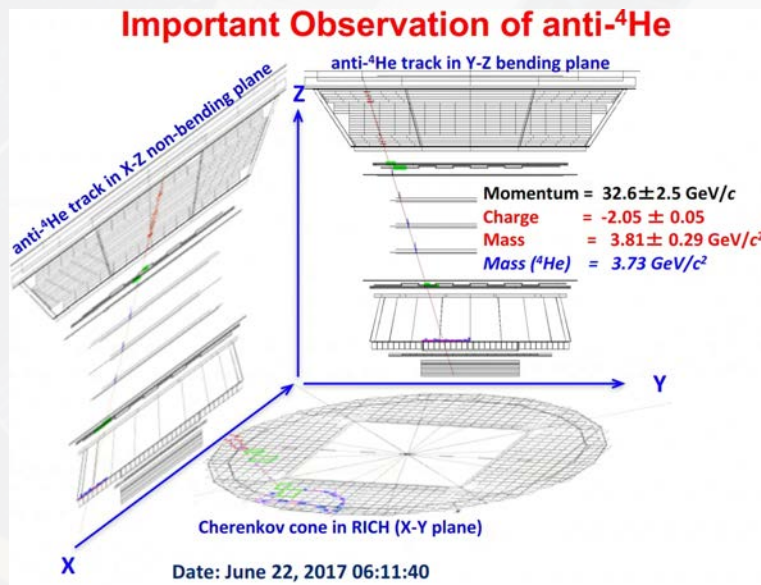
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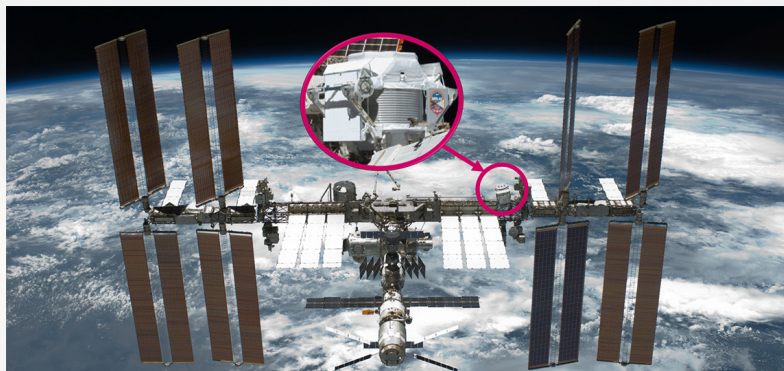
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# Breaking the frontiers



AMS-02 / 12 years on ISS since 2011

220+ billion events collected

**Unexpected results** by unprecedented precision investigations

about 1 anti-He event/year

Statistical sample too small to allow for accurate MC simulation  
( $1/10^{10}$ ) particles

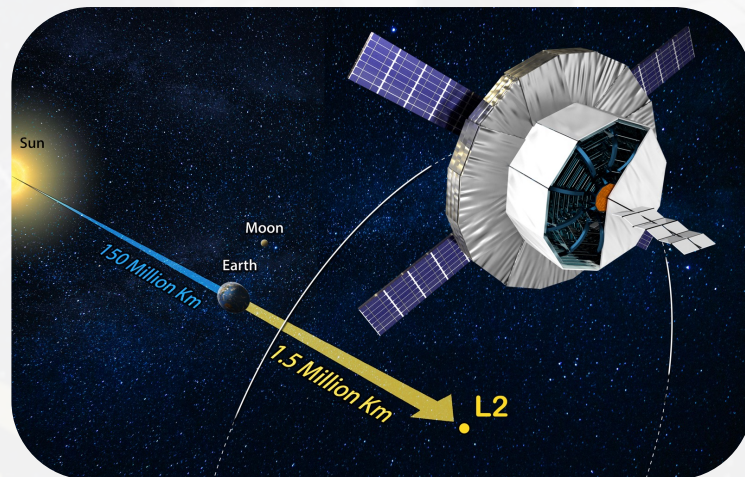
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A factor at least 10x in AMS-02 acceptance and precise mass, energy and charge/sign measurement capabilities for **exploration of un-accessible frontiers in cosmic rays:**

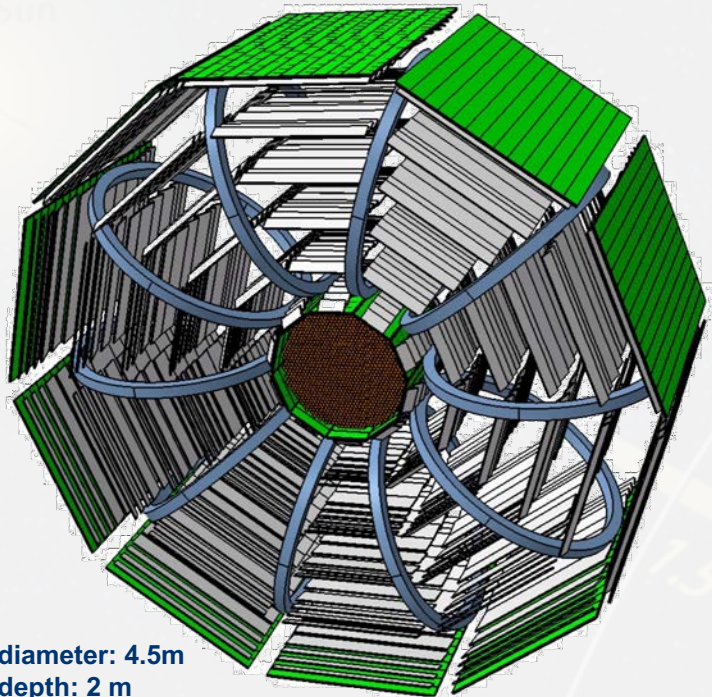
**Cosmic ray Composition**

**High Energies**

**Antimatter**



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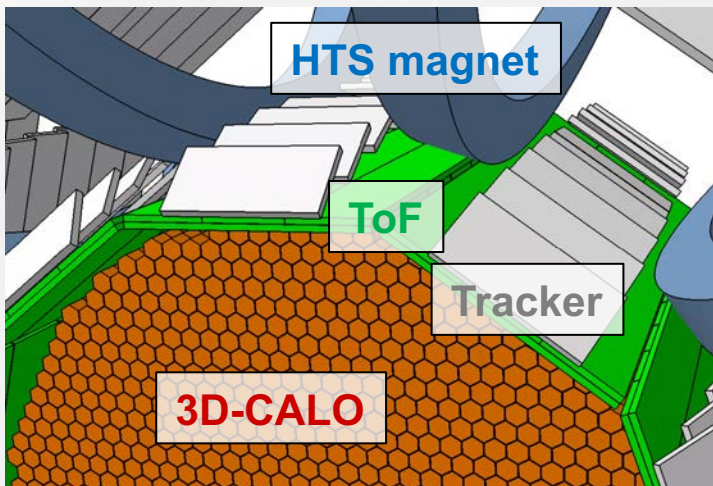
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**High Temperature Superconducting (HTS) magnet**  
10 coils in toroidal configuration

### Tracker

Double-sided Si- $\mu$ strip over 6 planes inside magnetic volume  
coordinate resolution  $< 5 \mu\text{m}$  (bending)

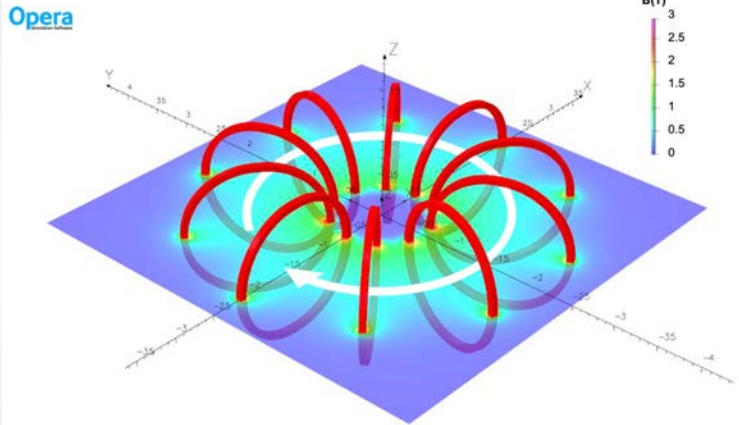
### Time-Of-Flight

Inner and outer layers of plastic scintillator bars readout by SiPMs with  $\text{O}(10\text{ps})$  time resolution

### 3D CALO

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# Superconducting Magnet



## HTS magnet

Number of coils	10
Current / coil	$400 \cdot 10^3 \text{ A}$
Operating current	$\sim 250 \text{ A}$
Magnetic flux density	average: $0.8 \text{ T}$ max: $3 \text{ T}$
Bending power	$1.1 \text{ Tm}$
Cold mass	$1.2 \text{ t}$

## High Temperature Superconducting (HTS) toroidal magnet, 10 coils

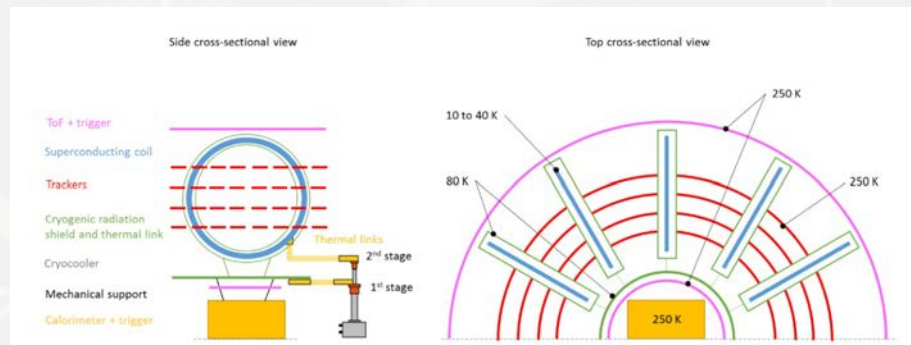
- design based on SR2S (Space Radiation Superconducting Shield) project
- confined magnetic field
- best compromise between magnetic field azimuthal homogeneity, which needs distributed conductors (large number of coils) and large field of view
- shape of coils (D, circular, ...) to be optimized

## Use HTS tapes made on ReBCO (Rare Earths Barium Copper Oxide)

- avoid liquid-He cryogenics, operate at  $40 \text{ K}$
- large robustness against quench-trigger disturbances
- investigation on using NI techniques for passive quench protection

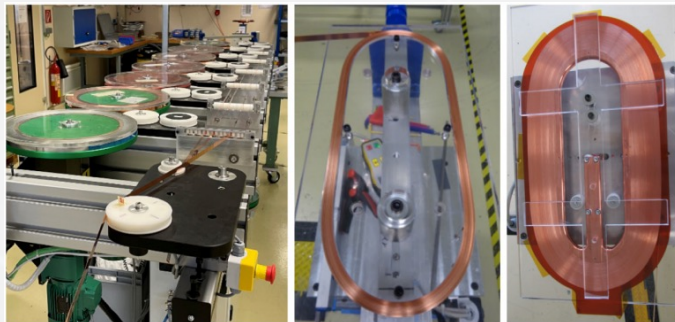
## Cryocoolers used for active cryogenic instead of large area radiators

- MLI umbrella-like sunshield to intercept the radiation heat flux from Sun
- Cryogenics MLI +  $250 \text{ K}$  thermal shield +  $80 \text{ K}$  thermal shield around coils to maintain operating temperature

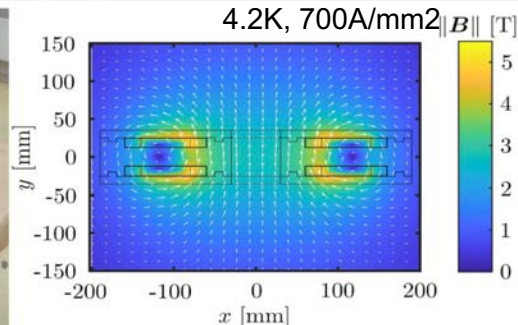


# Superconducting Magnet

*H. Reymond, M. Dam, H. Felice et al, JACoW ICALEPCS2021 (2022) 473-477*  
**Winding of the HDMS coils (CERN)**

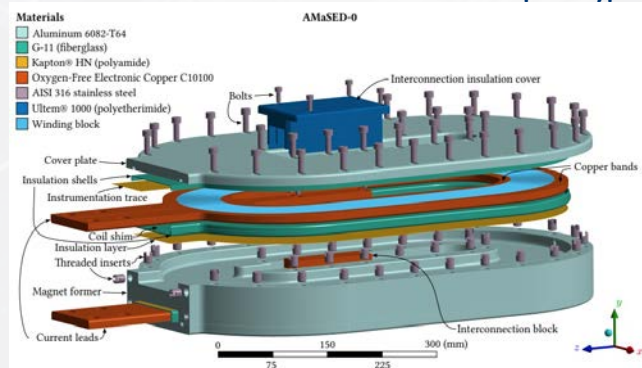


**Demonstrator coil constructed for the HDMS project (funded CERN and ASI).**



*M. Dam, W.J.. Burger et al, PoS(ICRC2021) 498*

**Mechanical structure of the HDMS coil prototype**



**HTS coil demonstrator** manufactured in the High temperature Magnet Demonstrator (HDMS) project increase TRL to 6 of

- copper bands as current leads and layer jumps
- mid-size soldered metal insulation coils
- aluminum mechanical structure

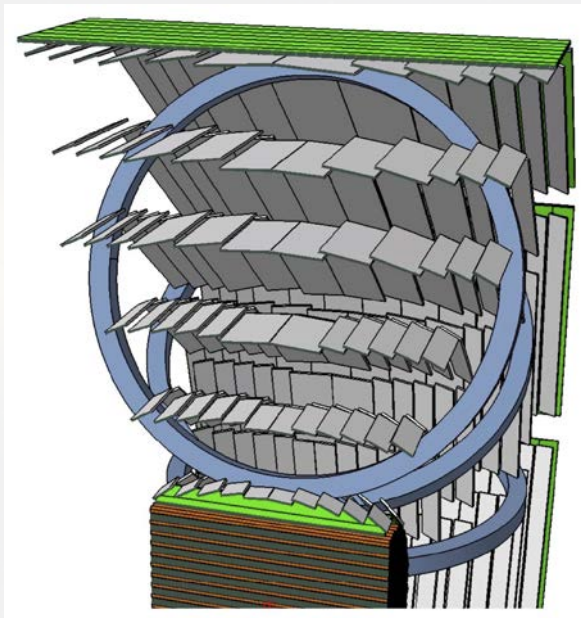
Based on current heritage:

- 5 years to increase TRL with additional R&D
- 5 years for design, construction, test and integration

**More details in the contribution by R. Iuppa @ this conference**



# Tracker



## Baseline design on high TRL solution

Six layers of precision tracking system,  $\sim 70\text{m}^2$  active area

Baseline design:

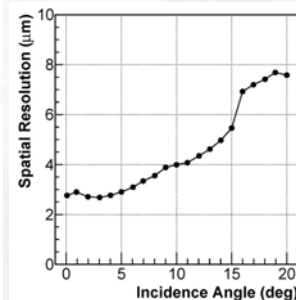
- double-sided Si- $\mu$ strips, implant pitch  $25\mu\text{m}$ , readout pitch  $100\mu\text{m}$  (bending)
- 2-7 sensors ( $95 \times 95\text{mm}^2$ ) arranged along "ladders", max length  $\sim 70\text{cm}$
- ladders arranged in adaptive geometry over 6 planes in 10 sectors

1 ALADInO Tracker sector  $\longleftrightarrow$  Full AMS-02 Tracker (channels, area, ...)

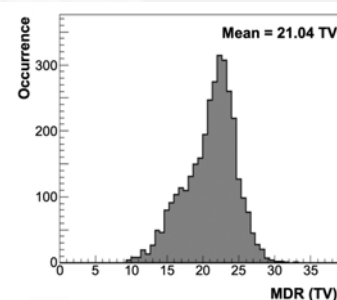
AMS-02 ladder made of 12 double-sided  $40 \times 70$   $\text{mm}^2$  silicon microstrip sensors



Resolution of PAMELA tracker (O.Adriani et al.)



Expected ALADInO MDR in baseline configuration



## Target performances: $\sim 3\mu\text{m}$ coo. resolution over "long" ladders

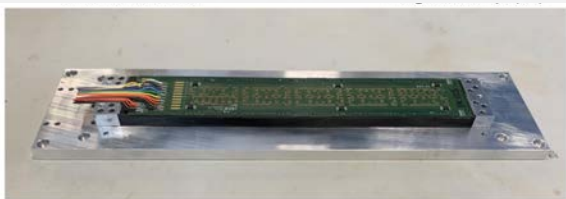
- achieved by PAMELA on "short" ladders,  $\sim 5\text{-}10\mu\text{m}$  by AMS.02 on similar "long" ladders
- FEE with dynamic range up to Oxygen with no saturation (as in AMS-02)

**With specific R&D, leveraging on PAMELA and AMS-02, large likelihood to achieve target performances**

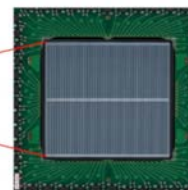
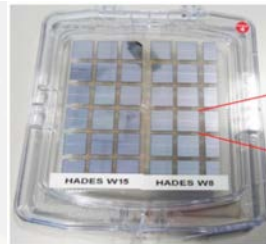
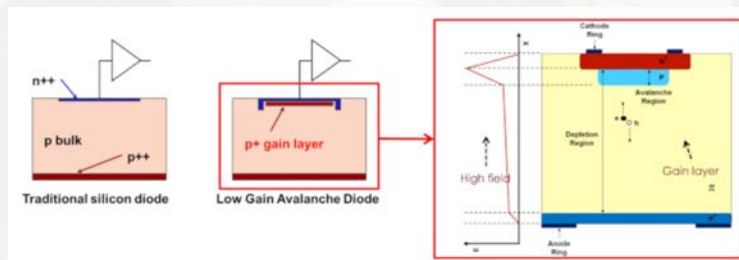
## Emerging technologies for improved performances and capabilities to the ALADInO tracker

**Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (MAPS)**

- based on CMOS technology
- Sensor and read-out circuit on same Si substrate
- low noise and fully zero-suppressed digital output
- ~25 $\mu$ m pixel side, strip-like geometry possible
- space heritage from HEPD-02 onboard CSES-02
- Current ongoing developments:
  - lower power consumption
  - enable timing capabilities
  - increase sensor area

**Low Gain Avalanche Diodes**

- Inner gain layer in Si substrate
- provides timing capabilities < 100 ps and enhanced S/N
- developed in pixel-layout for accelerator experiments,  $\mu$ strip layout may be used in space
- R&D required for readout and power consumption mitigation

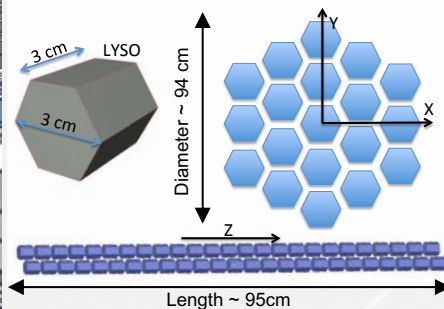
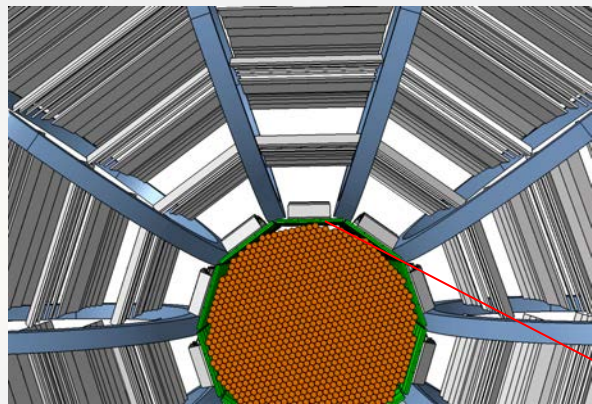


O.Adriani  
@ this conference

W. Krüger,  
LGAD technologies for  
HADES, contribution to  
VCI 2022

**Target performances: MAPS Tracker / Tracker timing < 100 ps with power consumption < 5 kW**

# Calorimeter

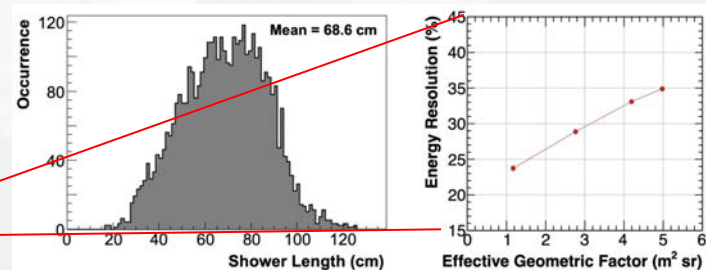


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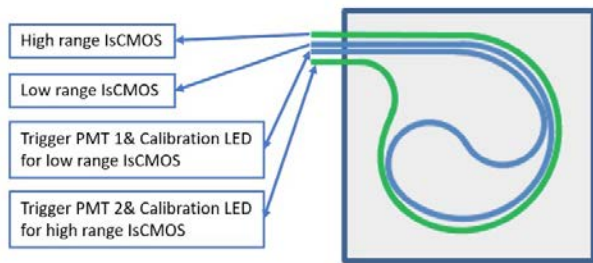
30% energy resolution (hadrons) @ 3 m<sup>2</sup>sr

Based on the "CaloCube" paradigm (INFN, O. Adriani et al.) for particle calorimetry

- **nearly isotropic response** to particles from all directions  
maximize detector effective acceptance;
- **3D shower topology imaging**  
e/p separation, energy resolution and energy scale
- **heritage** from developments for application in HERD  
high TRL and space qualification expected



L. Pacini et al., PoS (ICRC2021) 066



Large dynamic range ( $10^7$ ) to measure MIPs and PeV showers.

- e.g. HERD: double readout (IsCMOS/PD) + PMT/SiPM for trigger + dynamic range with double-gain selection

Energy scale calibration with light double readout system

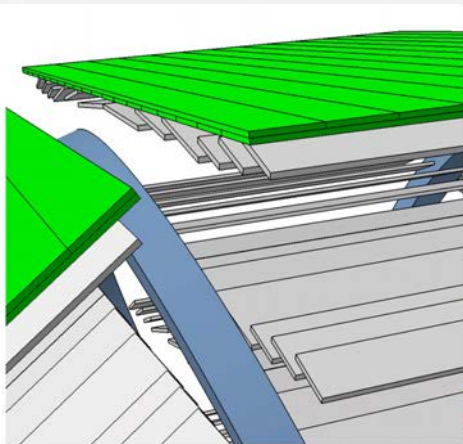
Total power expected 200 W

see P.Betti & L.Pacini talks @ this conf.

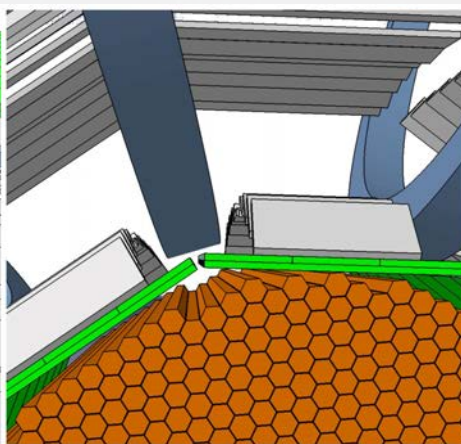
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Outer plane



Inner plane

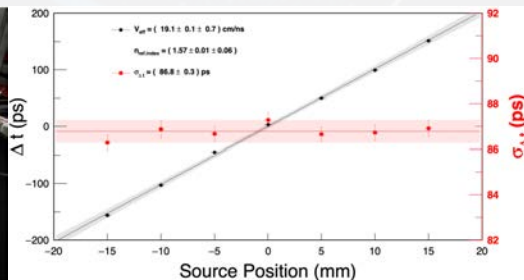
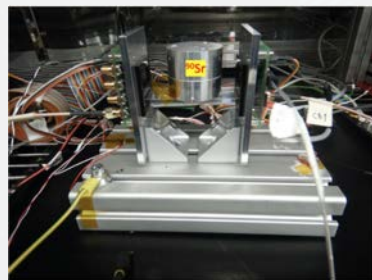
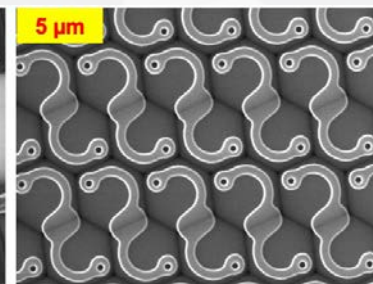
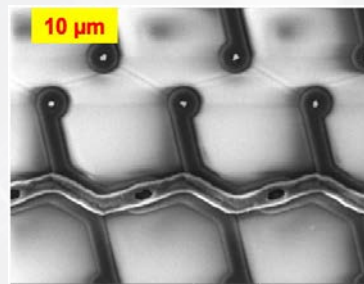


Based on established PAMELA and AMS-02 ToF systems

- **Sci-bars** up to 190 x 10 cm, 0.5 - 0.8 cm thick
- Inner and outer ToF, 1.45 m distance
- hodoscopic x-y measurement
- **SiPM** replacement to PMT for light readout

Small  $\mu$ cell SiPM readout for large dynamic range ( $1 < Z < 26$ )

UHD SiPM produced at FBK (G. Paternoster, 13<sup>th</sup> Trento workshop)



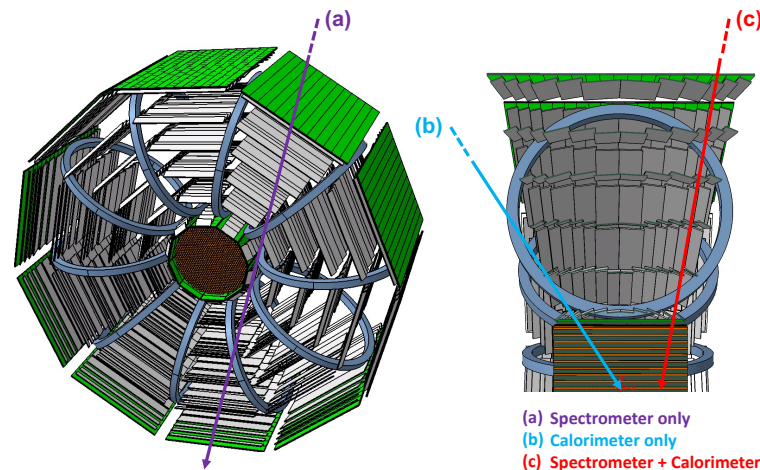
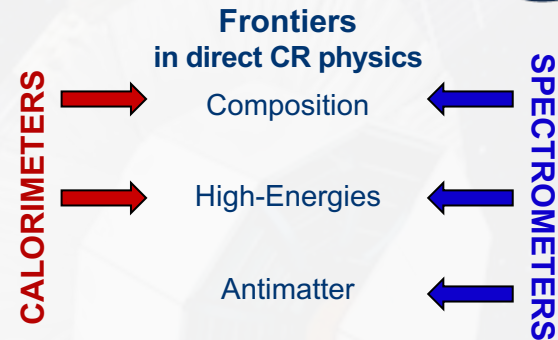
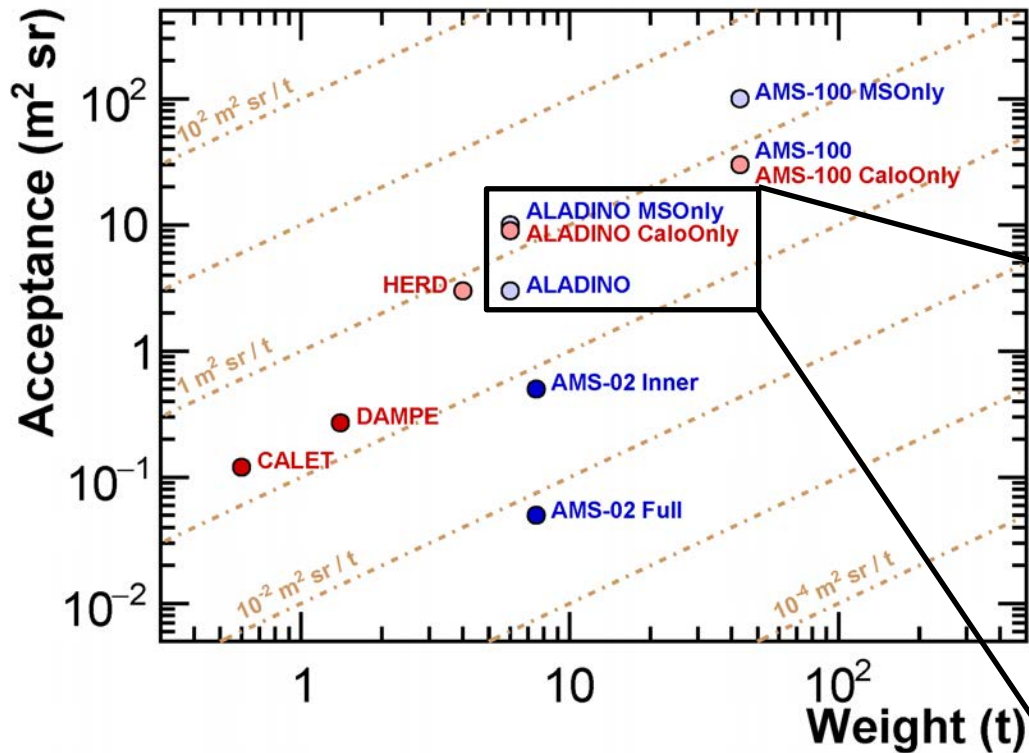
Target resolutions below 100 ps for Dbar sensitivity at 3-4 GeV/n  
ToF demonstrator for space applications (AMS-100) feature  $\Delta t \sim 40 \text{ ps}$  over  $O(10 \text{ cm})$  Sci-bars

C. Chung, Instruments 2022, 6(1), 14

**Worldwide R&D effort ongoing for space qualification and improvement of SiPMs and low-consumption fast FEE readout**

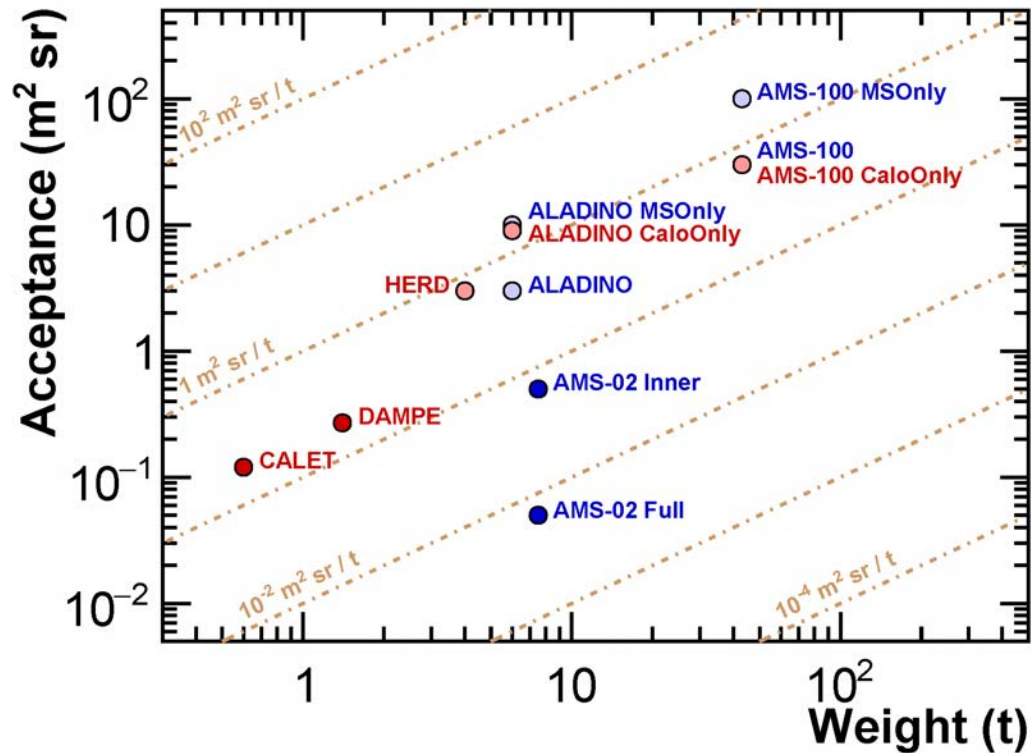
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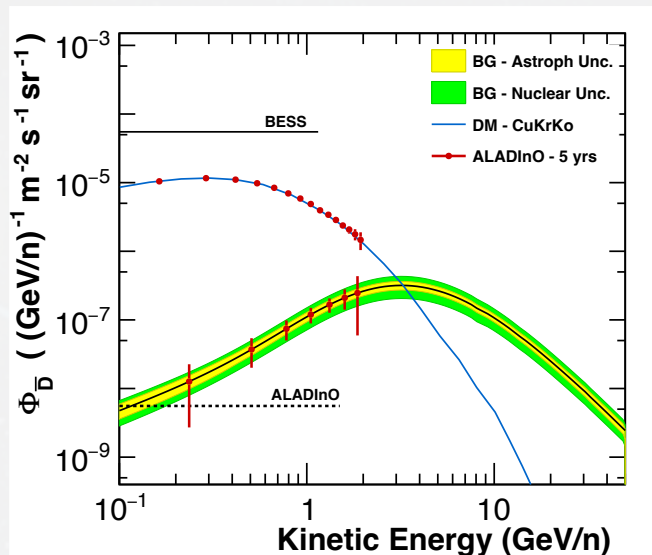


	ALADInO	AMS-02
Location	Earth-Sun L2	ISS
Operations	mid 2040s > 5 yrs operations	2011 - 2030+ fully nominal
Acceptance	a) MS only: >10m²sr b) calo only: 9m²sr c) calo+MS: 3m²sr	Full: 0.05m²sr Inner: 0.5m²sr
Mag. field (ave)	0.8 T, supercond	0.15 T, permanent
MDR	> 20 TV	2 TV (Z=1) > 3.2 TV (Z>1)
Calorimeter depth	61 X <sub>0</sub> / 3.5 λ <sub>i</sub>	17 X <sub>0</sub> / 0.6 λ <sub>i</sub>
Energy resolution	2% (e <sup>±</sup> ) 25% (h @ 1m²sr) 35% (h @ 5m²sr)	1.5% (e <sup>±</sup> )
e/p separation	10 <sup>4</sup> -10 <sup>5</sup>	>10 <sup>6</sup>
Channels	2000 k	300 k
Mass	< 6.5 t	7.5 t
Power	3.0 kW	< 2.5 kW



# Heavy Antimatter

Extending the antimatter frontier beyond state-of-the-art capabilities (AMS-02, GAPS)



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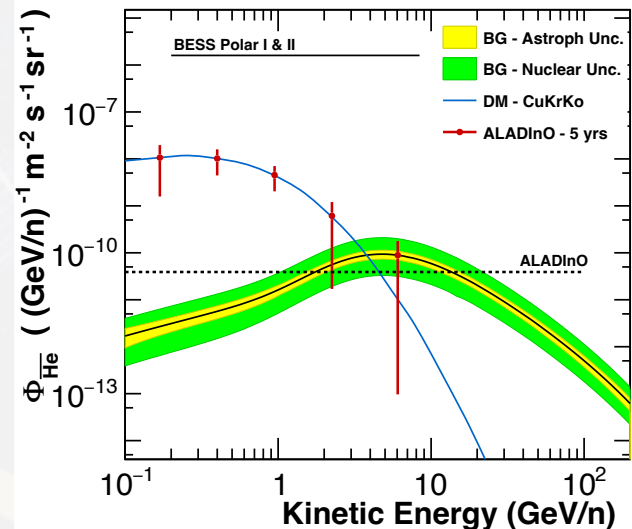
precise measurement of the astrophysical flux and possible unambiguous detection of primary anti-D  
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DM model from A. Cuoco et al. 2017, Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 191102, M. Korsmeier et al., 2018, Phys. Rev. D 97 n.10, 103011

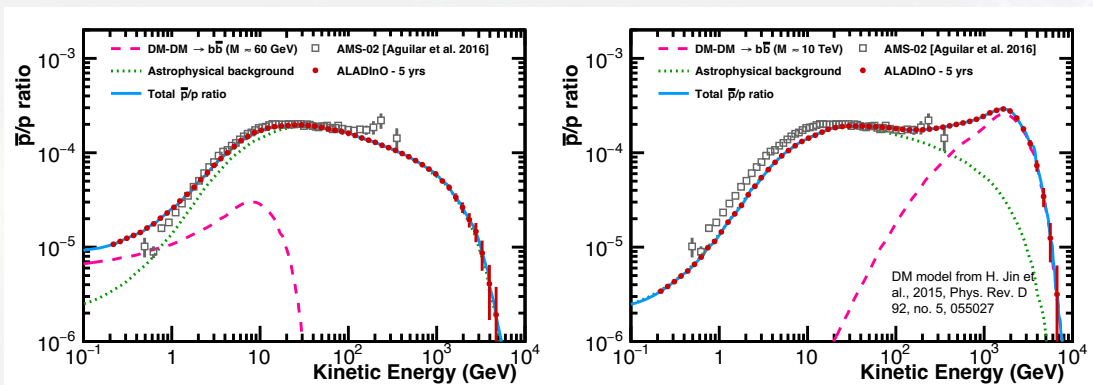
BG model from N. Tomassetti and A. Oliva, 2017, ApJ Lett. 844

## Antihelium

Possible unambiguous detection of primary anti-He and detection or improved upper limits on astrophysical antiHe yield  
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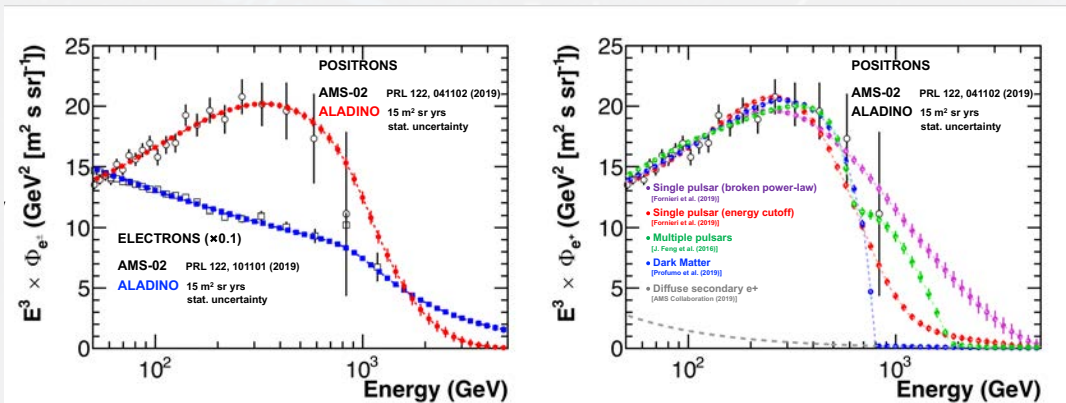


Extend antiproton and positron measurements in the unexplored TV energy frontier



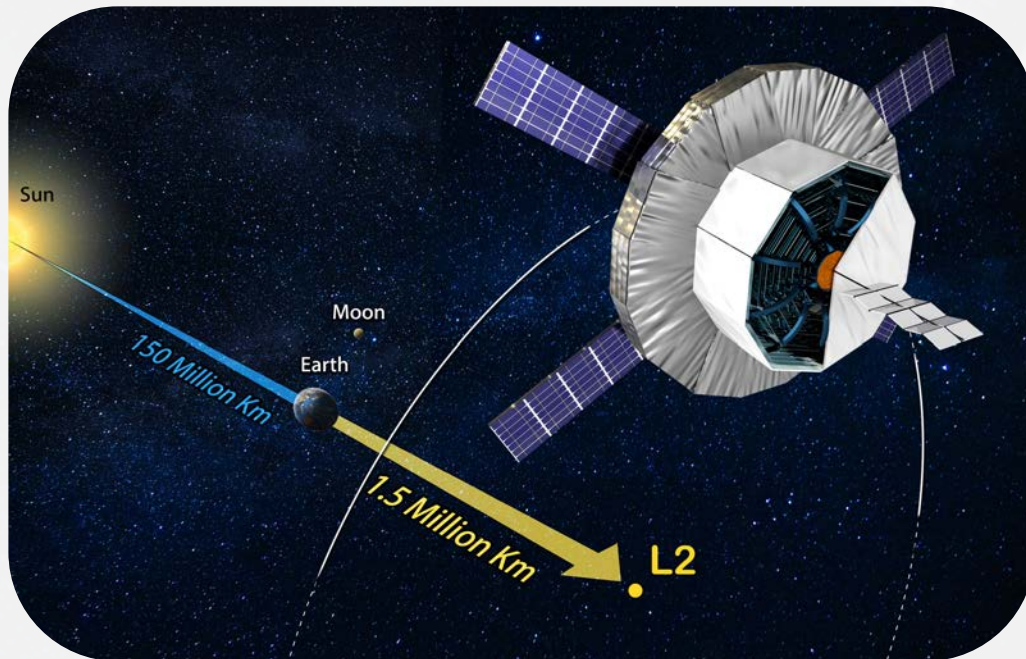
Provide unprecedented precision measurement of GV-TV antiprotons to search for DM signatures

Explore the antiproton flux beyond its flattening and profile the antiproton production break



Fully characterize the positron excess and break

Precisely identify the **dominating source of high energy positrons**, characterize possible secondary sources of high energy positrons and characterize the amount of secondary positrons beyond the excess



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Antimatter measurements up to 10 TeV  
Established technologies for detection of particles in space

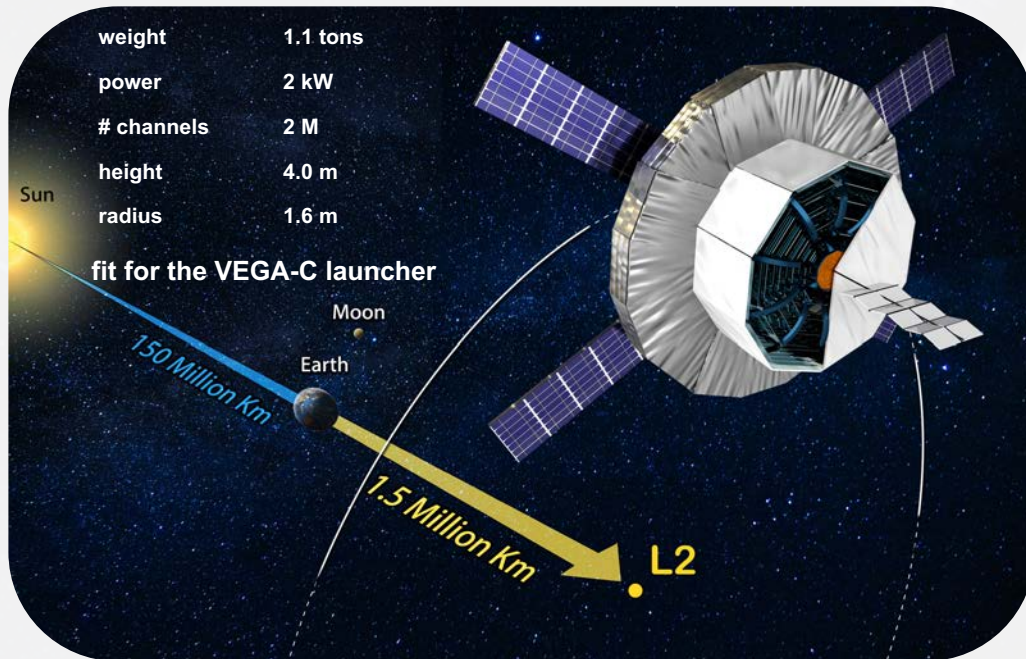
## 5-year operations in L2

Payload Weight  $< 6.5 \text{ t}$   
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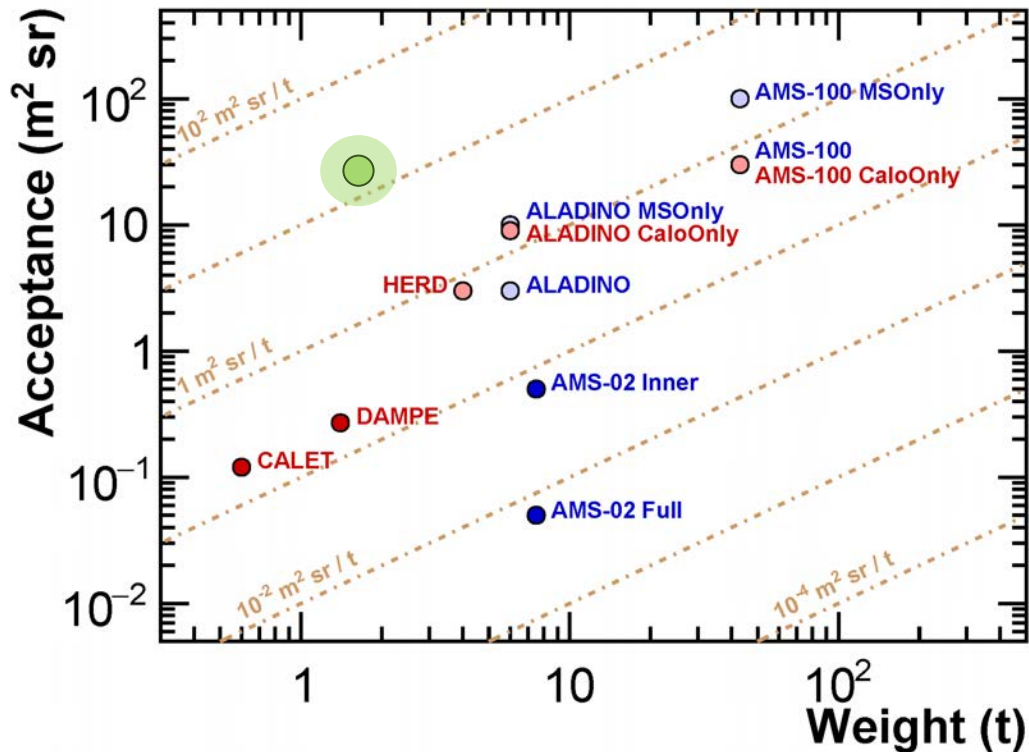
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**LAMP: Light Aladino-like Magnetic sPectrometer**

# ALADInO – pathfinder: LAMP

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**LAMP** maintains the geometry of ALADInO, but **focuses on nuclear antimatter**. It features increased acceptance for the magnetic spectrometer and auxiliary detectors (TOF, Cherenkov), saving mass with a **calorimeter-free** approach.

More than a factor 30 is gained over AMS-02

**LAMP**  
 ~ 2.0 tons  
 L2 or LEO  
 Launch by 2033  
 10 years of operations

# LAMP: technology roadmap

**Tracker:** *silicon strip detectors*, already space qualified (AMS, PAMELA, Fermi, AGILE, DAMPE...); *pixel detectors*, space qualification ongoing (ASI - CSES2), *LGAD  $\mu$ strips*, space qualification starting (ASI-INFN)

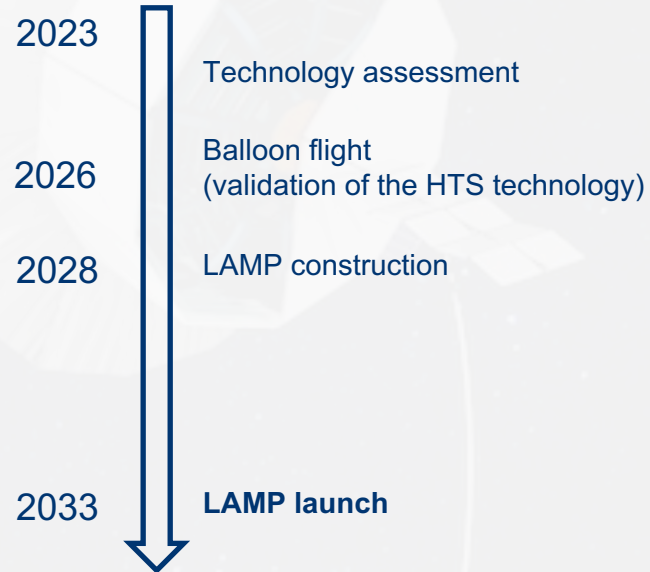
**Superconducting Magnet:** *YBCO magnets* developed at CERN for LHC upgrade and future accelerators. Long standing collaboration between ASI, INFN and CERN. *Space qualification needed.*

**Low-power cryogenics:** *very efficient Pulsed Heat Pipes* developed through the H2020 SR2S program (CEA Saclay). *Space qualification needed*

**Electronics:** extensive experience and space qualification of *CERN experiments (micro) electronics* up to  $O(10^6)$  channels : AMS, PAMELA, Fermi, AGILE, DAMPE...

**Thermal shield:** passive thermal shield to be derived from, e.g., Planck, Gaia

Launch in a decade, if large sectors of high-technology industries are involved in the project. The project would be the first to launch and operate in space HTS magnets → unprecedented challenge for the entire system of space-companies in Italy







## Design of an Antimatter Large Acceptance Detector In Orbit (ALADInO)

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interest expressed by more than 70 scientists from 34 institutes as of 2022



Thanks for your attention !

# Operations in space

Power budget	
Time of Flight	0.4 kW
Calorimeter	0.2 kW
Si-Tracker	1.4 kW
Cryogenics	1.0 kW
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.0 kW</b>

Mass budget	
Calorimeter	2.3 t
Magnet and Cryogenics	2.0 t
ToF + Si-tracker	1.5 t
Electronics and power	0.5 t
<b>Total</b>	<b>&lt; 6.5 t</b>

Data stream	
Electronics Channels	2 million
Transfer time window	few h/day
Peak bandwidth	50 Mbps

**Earth–Sun Lagrange Point L2 is the most proper stable orbit to operate a superconducting magnet in space**

Design optimized in terms of layout, weight, dimensions, power consumption, and expected data throughput to fit in the limits set for transport and operation in Earth–Sun Lagrange Point L2 using a space vector that is already accessible nowadays



Arianespace's Ariane 5 rocket with NASA's James Webb Space Telescope onboard.



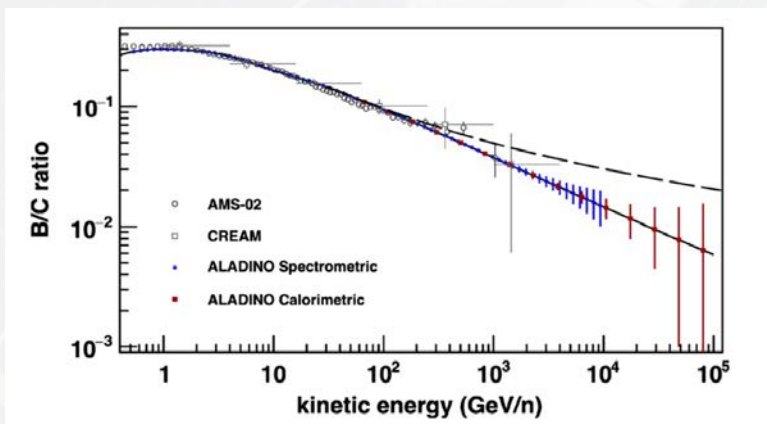
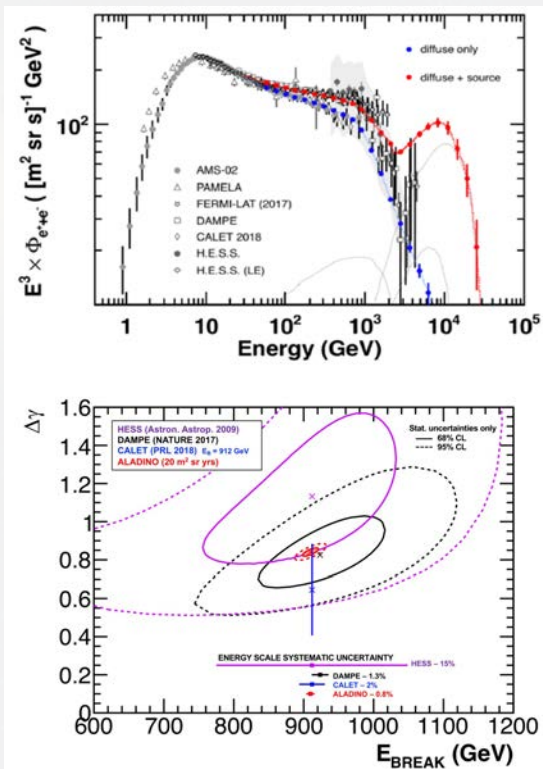


# Electrons and nuclei

Provide complementary information on the ( $e^+e^-$ ) and nuclei flux to planned calorimetric experiments

The ALADInO calorimeter is similar in depth and approach to that of HERD

- similar statistical errors and similar energy reach
- similar energy resolution, both for electromagnetic particles and nuclei
- improved energy scale systematics **from combined calorimetric+spectrometric energy measurement**



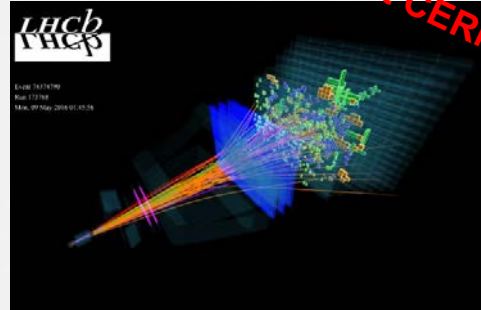
Unprecedented precision in the characterization of the electron flux break, useful synergy with ground-based multimessenger telescopes

Our Model of fundamental constituents of matter is the most successful theory ever constructed.

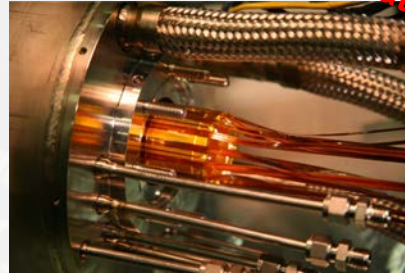
It describes very precisely standard constituents of matter, but is far from being complete.

**The problem of when (how) Nature preferred matter over antimatter remains one of the most important unanswered questions of Physics.**

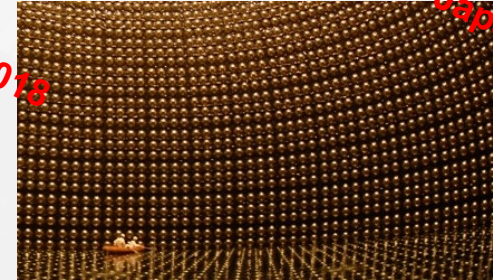
Tens of experiments continue testing our Standard Model, **still missing the smoking gun.**



LHCb at CERN, 2017



ALPHA at CERN, 2018



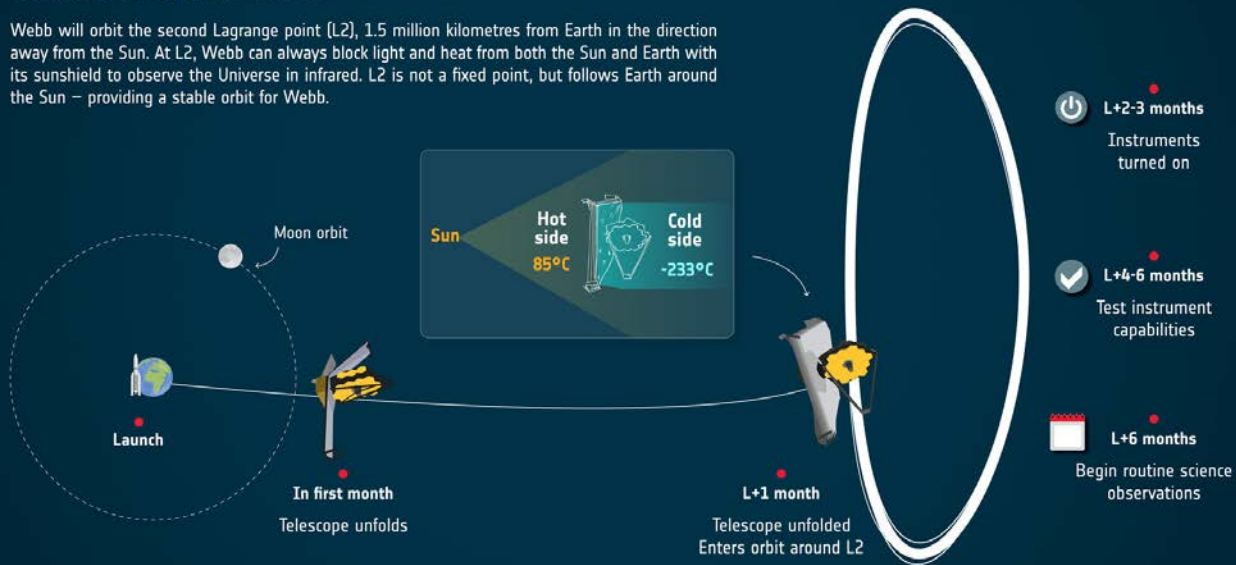
T2K in Japan, 2020

Direct searches for antimatter in space have the objective of **quantifying** the imbalance of matter and antimatter.

Credits: R. Iuppa

## WEBB'S JOURNEY TO L2

Webb will orbit the second Lagrange point (L2), 1.5 million kilometres from Earth in the direction away from the Sun. At L2, Webb can always block light and heat from both the Sun and Earth with its sunshield to observe the Universe in infrared. L2 is not a fixed point, but follows Earth around the Sun – providing a stable orbit for Webb.



The best place to operate a superconducting magnet is Earth-Sun L2, like James Webb Telescope

