



The US efforts towards a Muon Collider

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History (1)

- **1960s:** First mention of Muon Colliders in the literature
- **1990s-2010:** Design studies through US institutional collaborations
- **2011-2016:** Muon Accelerator Program (MAP) was approved and supported by DOE to address key feasibility issues of a MC
 - Focused on a proton-driver based solution
 - End-to-end design for a Neutrino Factory & a 125 GeV Higgs Factory. Considered colliders at 1.5, 3 and 6 TeV
- **2021:** CERN Council has charged the EU Laboratory Directors Group to develop the Accelerator R&D Roadmap for next decade
 - Formation of a Muon Panel that assessed MuC challenges and defined prioritized work with resource estimates through a series of community meetings with input from the global community.

History (2)

- **2022:** Muon Colliders become part of the European Accel. R&D Roadmap:
 - CERN asked for implementation of the plan
 - International Muon Collider Collaboration (IMCC) has formed
- **2022:** US Snowmass study reveal strong interest on Muon Colliders:
 - Presented the Muon Collider Forum Report: a coherent vision for Muon Colliders from the US perspective
 - Proposed and presented a National Collider Initiative
 - **Received strong support from the global community**
- **2023:** Formation of the US Muon Collider R&D coordination group:
 - Initiated and supported by the Fermilab directorate
 - It's goal is to provide input to the P5 panel on Muon Collider research
 - Its ASK was presented at two P5 town-hall meetings (BNL and SLAC)

What has changed since over the last decade?

- Lattice design
 - Developed designs for all MuC subsystems, including a promising solution for a neutrino flux mitigation system
- Targets
 - Significant developments on MW-class target concepts due to the strong demand by many experiments.
- Magnet technology
 - Development of high-field solenoids & dipoles with specs close to the MuC needs
- RF technology
 - Demonstrated high-gradient operation of NC cavities in B-fields (50 MV/m @ 3T)
 - SCRF cavity gradients for a MuC are within reach of current technology
- Ionization cooling concept demonstration
 - Physics of ionization cooling has been demonstrated and results are published

2021 Snowmass Process in the US

- Happens roughly once a decade
- A two year long scientific study process to determine future directions for the particle physics in US, together with international partners
- Work done in 10 frontiers + several cross-frontier groups
- Final reports available:
 - Snowmass report: [arXiv:2301.06581](https://arxiv.org/abs/2301.06581)
 - EF report: [arXiv:2211.11084](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.11084), AF report: [arXiv:2209.14136](https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.14136)
 - Muon Collider Forum Report: [arXiv:2209.01318](https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.01318)
- Had several townhall meetings along several institutions in the US
- Next step is the Particle Physics Project Prioritization Panel (P5) deliberation
 - We expect report later this year



Snowmass Muon Collider Forum

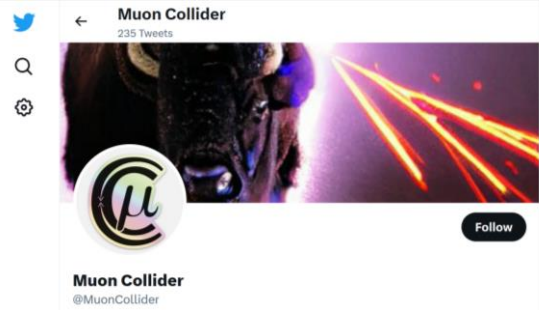
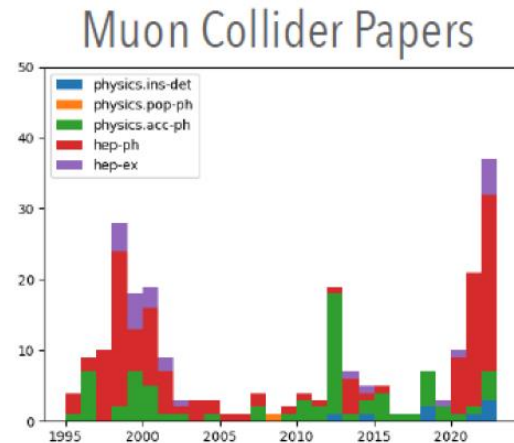
- The forum established a strong collaboration between the AF+EF+TF frontiers for Muon Collider (MuC) research
 - Goal was to make a strong physics case for MuC and inform the community
 - Monthly meetings and dedicated workshops for 18+ months before Snowmass
 - Lined-up a plan for Muon Collider R&D in the US
 - Identified synergies with other programs
 - Published all findings as a “[MuC Forum report](#)” and presented it in the Snowmass meeting: ~180 authors, 50+% are early career scientists
- Forum conclusions:
 - No fundamental showstoppers identified
 - BUT engineering challenges exist
 - R&D is needed to improve a MuC risk profile
 - **This R&D should start now!**

Cross-Frontier Report Submitted to the US Community
Study
on the Future of Particle Physics (Snowmass 2021)

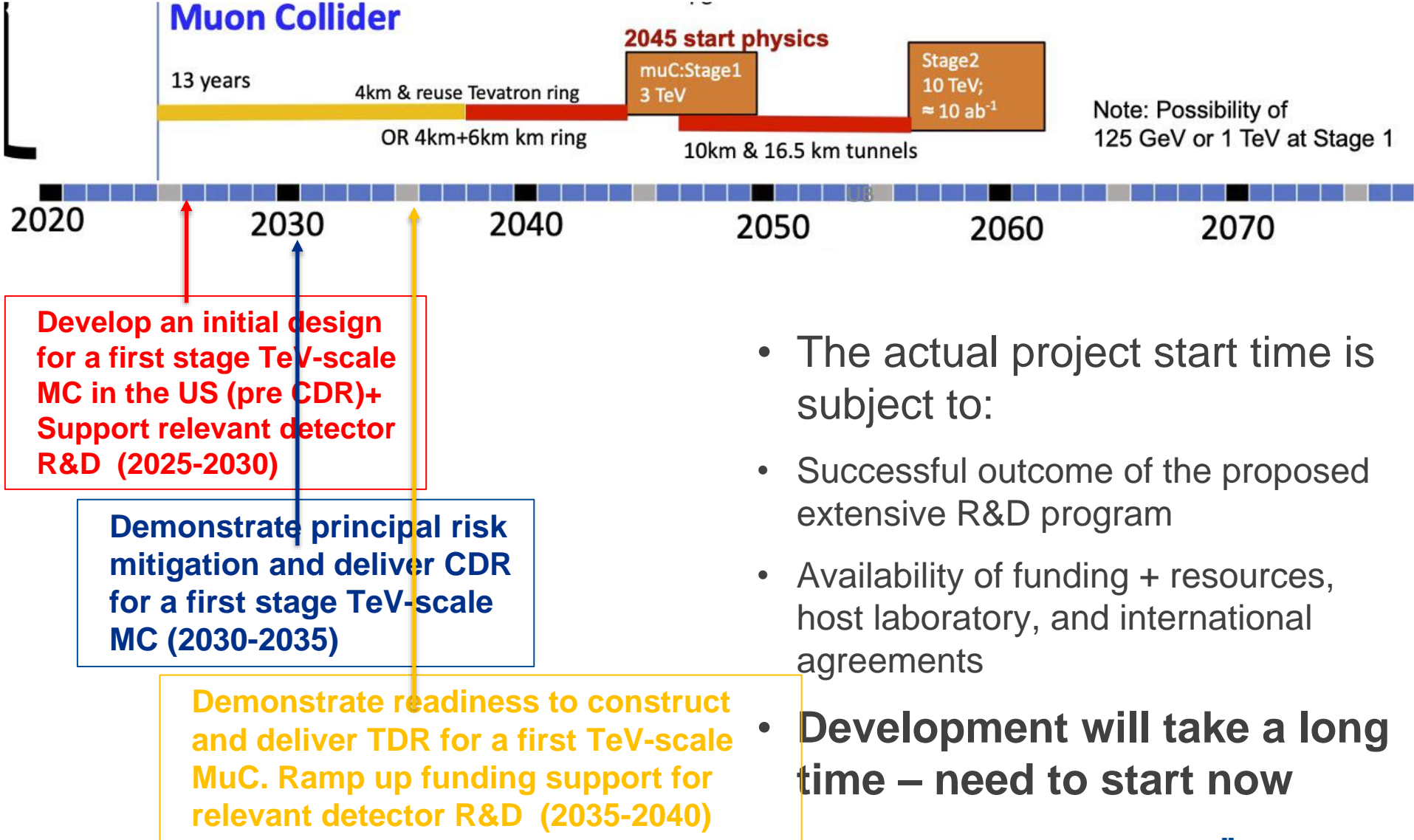
Muon Collider Forum Report

Enthusiasm about Muon Colliders is surging in US

- MuC was the most studied machine during Snowmass. Many new results & papers, propagated to the EF vision.

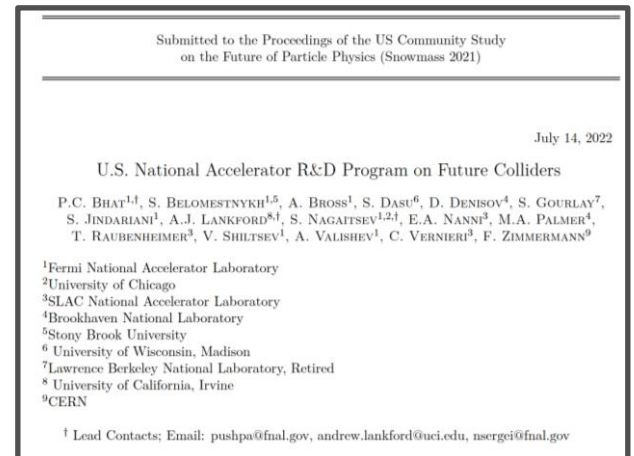


US timeline & vision as presented at Snowmass



National Collider Initiative

- The U.S. HEP accelerator R&D program has no support for targeted development of collider concepts for strategic planning
 - An integrated national accelerator R&D program on future colliders **was proposed at Snowmass** to address this shortcoming
- Goal is to address, in an integrated fashion, the technical challenges of promising future collider concepts
 - Focus on aspects of accelerator design, technology, and beam physics that are not covered by the existing DOE General Accelerator R&D (GARD) program.
- The proposed national future colliders R&D program gained **strong support** by the community at the last Snowmass



Post-Snowmass: US Muon Collider R&D coordination group formation

- In March, R&D coordination group formed to provide input to P5
- Focus on key elements of **10 TeV accelerator & detector design**
 - Develop R&D plan, activities, budget and deliverables
 - Chairs: Sridhara Dasu, Sergo Jindariani, and Diktys Stratakis

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Accelerator R&D Focus Areas:

Muon source:

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Magnet systems:

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RF systems:

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Detector R&D Focus Areas:

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Calorimeter Systems

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Muon Detectors

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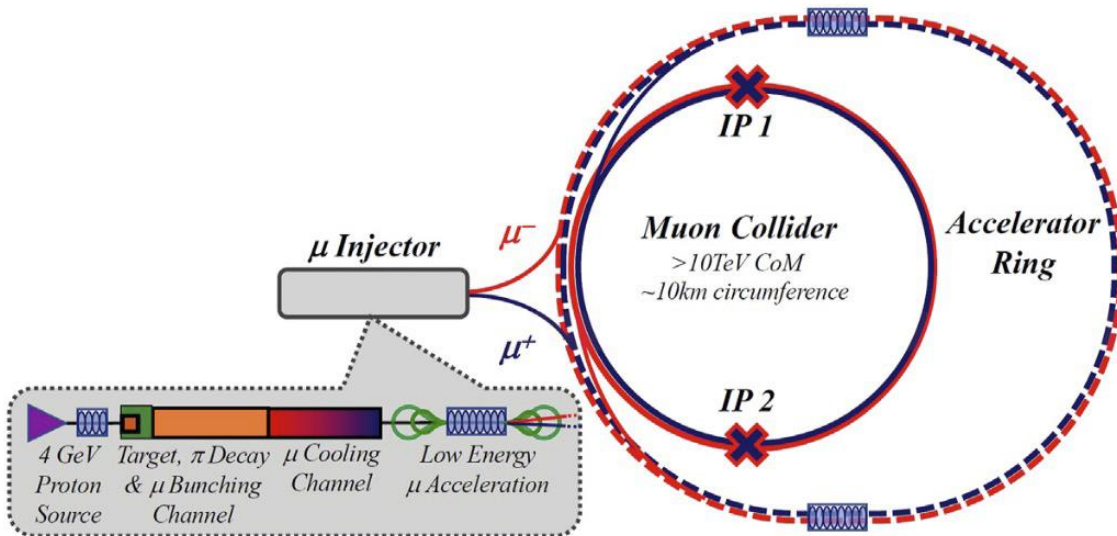
Liz Sexton-Kennedy (Fermilab), Simone Pagan Griso (LBNL)

International Liaisons:

Daniel Schulte (CERN), Chris Rogers (RAL), Donatella Lucchesi (INFN), Federico Meloni (DESY)

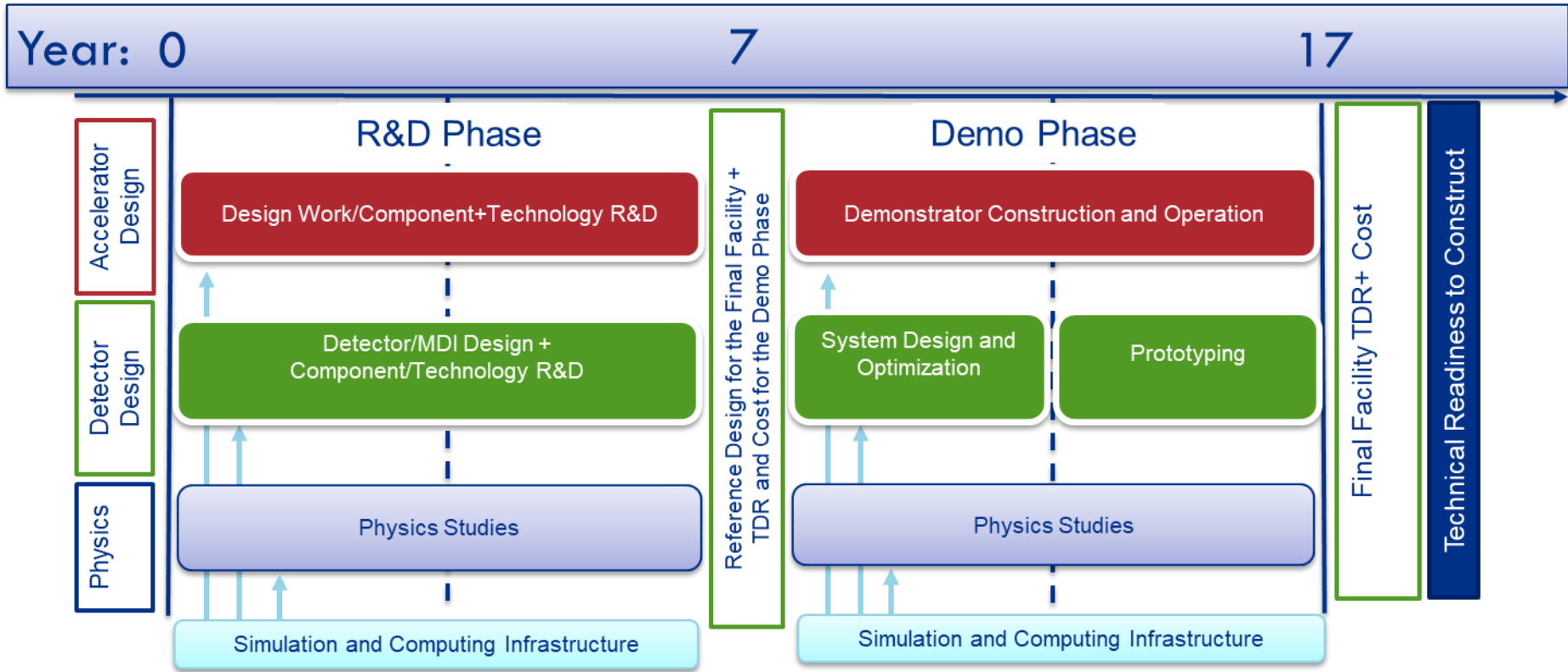
Target parameters

- The goal is to get to **10 TeV center-of-mass energy**
- Consider proton driver based Muon Collider
- Staging at 3 TeV is the current baseline
- Aim to have two detectors but only experiment assumed now



@ 3 TeV ~ 1 ab^{-1} 5 years
@ 10 TeV ~ 10 ab^{-1} 5 years

US Muon Collider timeline



It is crucial for the US to engage **NOW** if we want an MC as a future option!

Muon Collider @ Fermilab

- A concept design for a Fermilab **6-10 TeV MuC** is in place
- Proton source
 - Post-ACE driver -> Target
- Ionization cooling channel
- Acceleration (3 stages)
 - Linac + RLA → **65 GeV**
 - RCS #1, #2 → **1 TeV (Tevatron size)**
 - RCS #3 → **3-5 TeV (site filler)**
- 6-10 TeV collider
 - Collider radius: 1.65 km
- In the next **5 years**, have a baseline design including the neutrino flux mitigation system



Elements of a MuC US R&D program (2024-2030)

Some examples

Design and Simulation work



- Optimize ACE for MuC proton driver needs
- Accelerator & collider designs for a FNAL MuC
- Neutrino flux mitigation for a FNAL MuC
- Ionization cooling design work

Some examples

Prototyping & tests



- Bunch compression & proton stripping
- Target material & performance studies
- Fast ramping magnet prototypes
- Low-frequency SRF cavity prototyping & testing

Some examples

Demonstrator

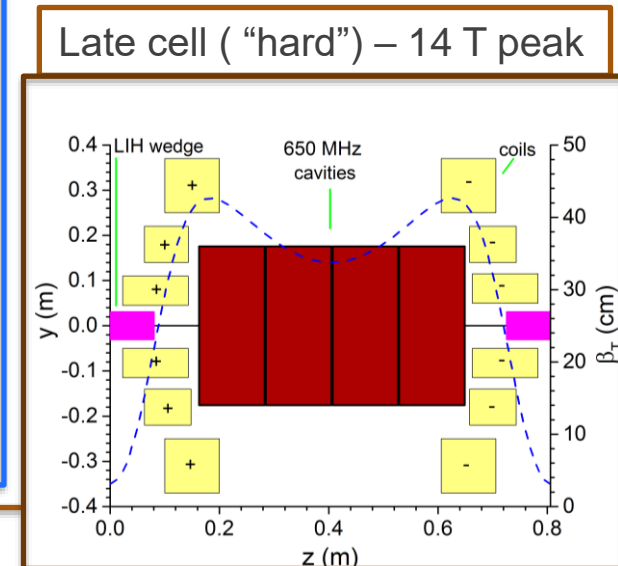
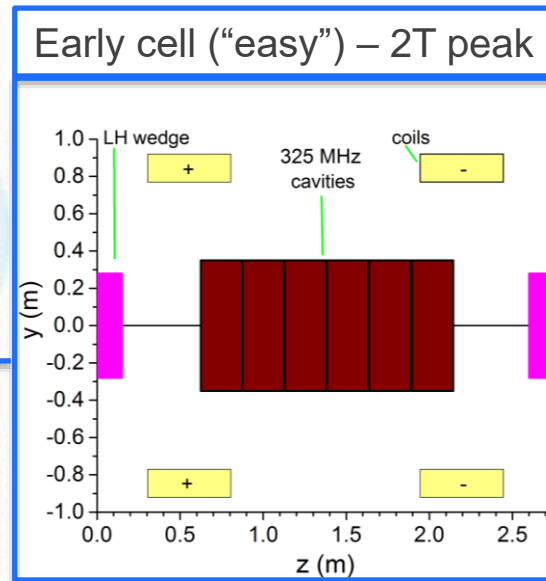
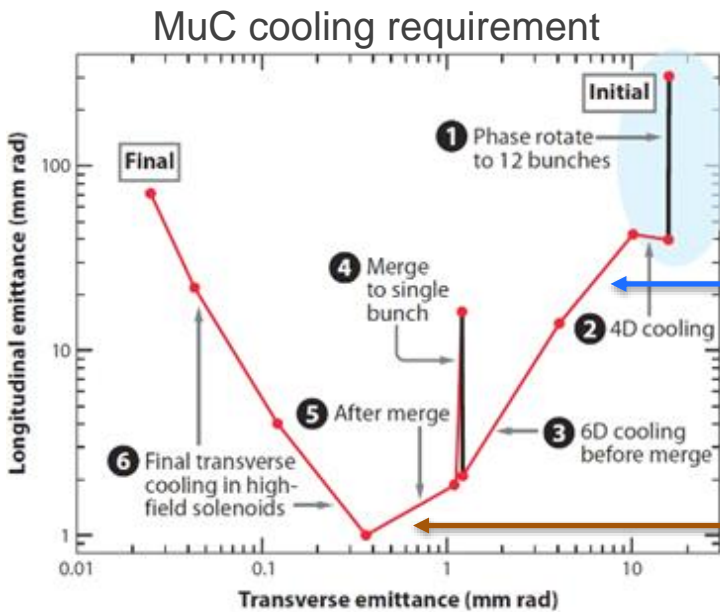


- Explore facility options for a full demo
- Design & prototype (if possible) 1.5 cooling cell
- Deliver a TDR for a demo facility with costs

- **This plan is pending P5 decision and will be modified after consultation with the IMCC AND knowledge of the US funding profile**

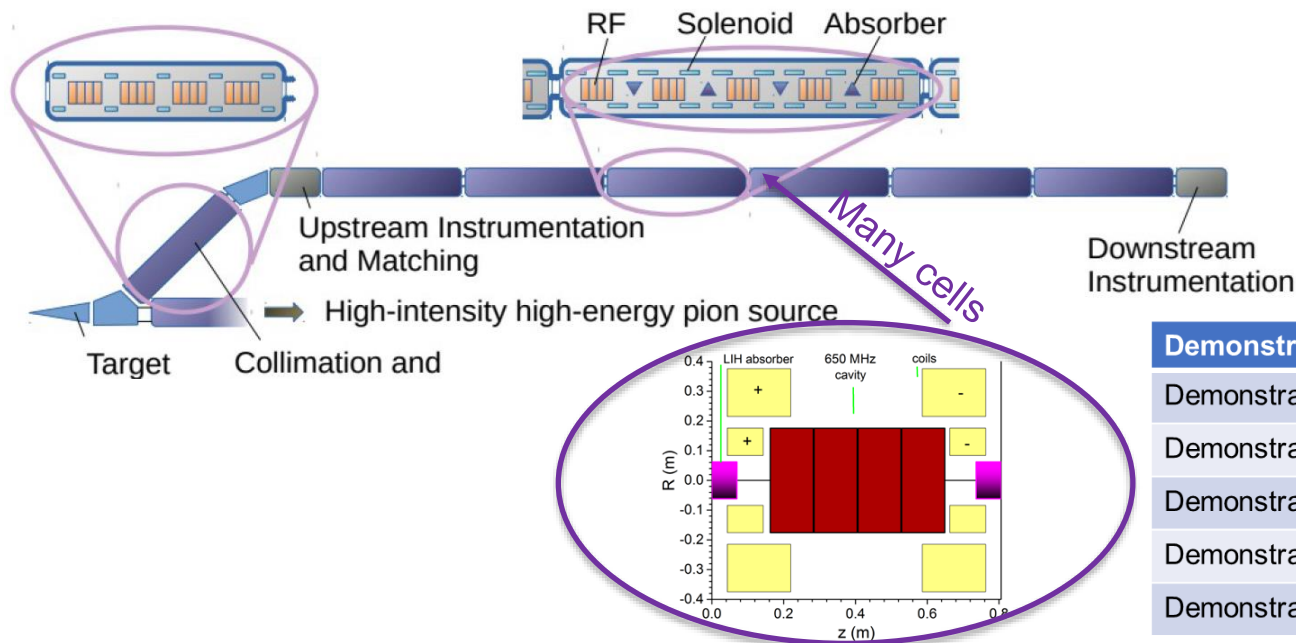
Why we need a demonstrator?

- Muon cooling is one the most important pieces of a MuC. **It will determine the TECHNOLOGY SPECS of the machine!**
 - Example: Good cooling, less demand on proton driver and targetry
- MuCs, uniquely, utilize ionization cooling channels. These channels require **special attention**, especially the late stages which closely pack high field magnets, absorbers, and rf cavities



Cooling demonstrator (2030+)

- While the physics of ionization cooling has been shown [[ref](#)] it is **critical** to benchmark a **realistic** MuC cooling lattice
 - This will give us the input, knowledge, and experience to design a real, buildable cooling channel for a MuC
 - **Possibilities for hosting such a facility in the US exist** (see Stratakis talk on Wednesday)



Demonstrator plan

- Demonstrate operation of NC rf in B-field environment
- Demonstrate forces between coils are manageable
- Demonstrate performance of absorbers
- Demonstrate performance of instrumentation system
- Demonstrate 6D cooling with a realistic set-up

Post-Snowmass P5 Townhall Meetings

- Findings of the coordination groups were presented at two P5 Town-hall meetings



Towards Muon Collider *detectors*

Sergo Jindariani (Fermilab)
Apr 13th, 2023

On behalf of US Muon Collider Community, International Muon Collider Collaboration, and Snowmass Muon Collider Forum
Thank you to everybody who provided input!

[Detector R&D plans and budget request](#)



Towards a Muon Collider *accelerator*

Dikty Stratakis (Fermilab)
P5 Town Hall at SLAC
May 3rd, 2023

On behalf of US Muon Collider Community, International Muon Collider Collaboration, and Snowmass Muon Collider Forum

[Accelerator R&D plans and budget request](#)

National Future Colliders R&D

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Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory

On behalf of

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July 14, 2022

U.S. National Accelerator R&D Program on Future Colliders

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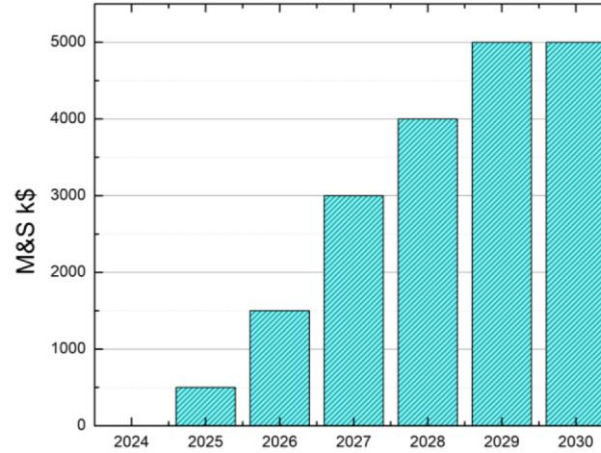
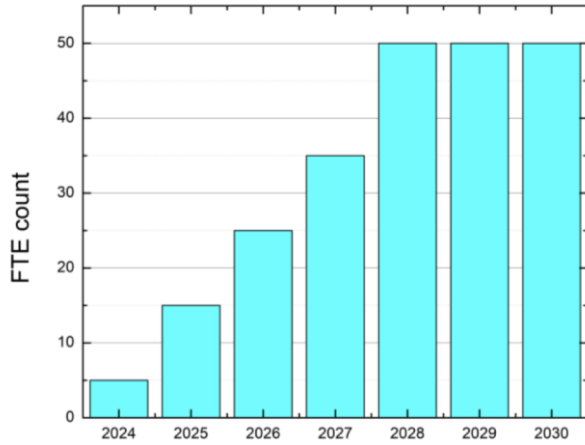
P5 Townhall @ SLAC
May 3-5, 2023

[National Collider R&D](#)

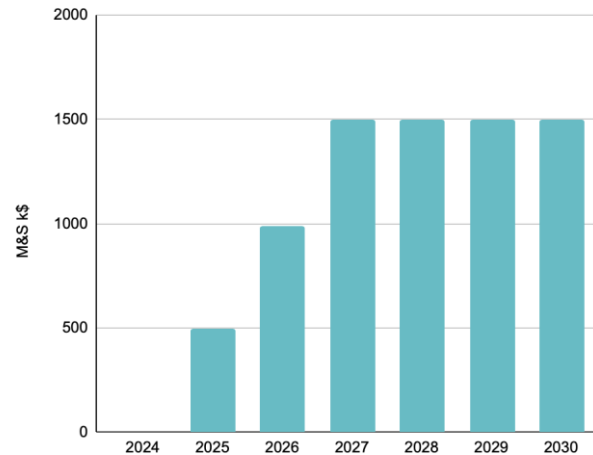
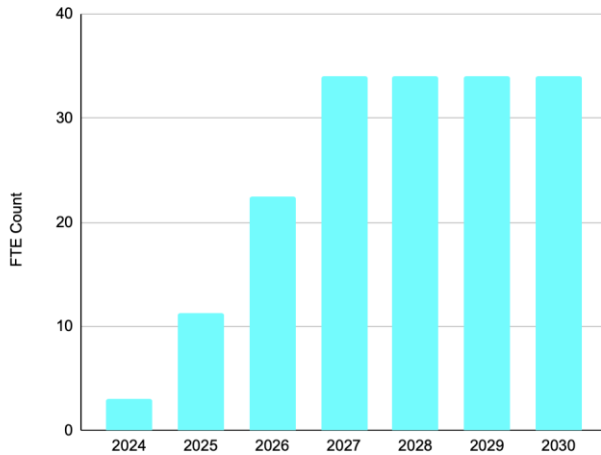
Our ASK for P5

- The Detector and Accelerator ASK at the P5 townhalls was:
 - Recommend establishing a Muon Collider R&D program with the aim for delivering a RDR report for the final facility & TDR report for the demo facility by 2030 AND with an overall goal of having a TDR for the final facility by 2040
 - Recommend that DOE and NSF recognize Muon Collider work within the AF and EF base program proposals
 - Support the formation of a US Muon Collider effort to coordinate US impact while engaging in the international effort
 - Support the National Collider Initiative R&D program
 - Enable US to compete for hosting a Muon Collider

Muon Collider budget profile (2024-2030)



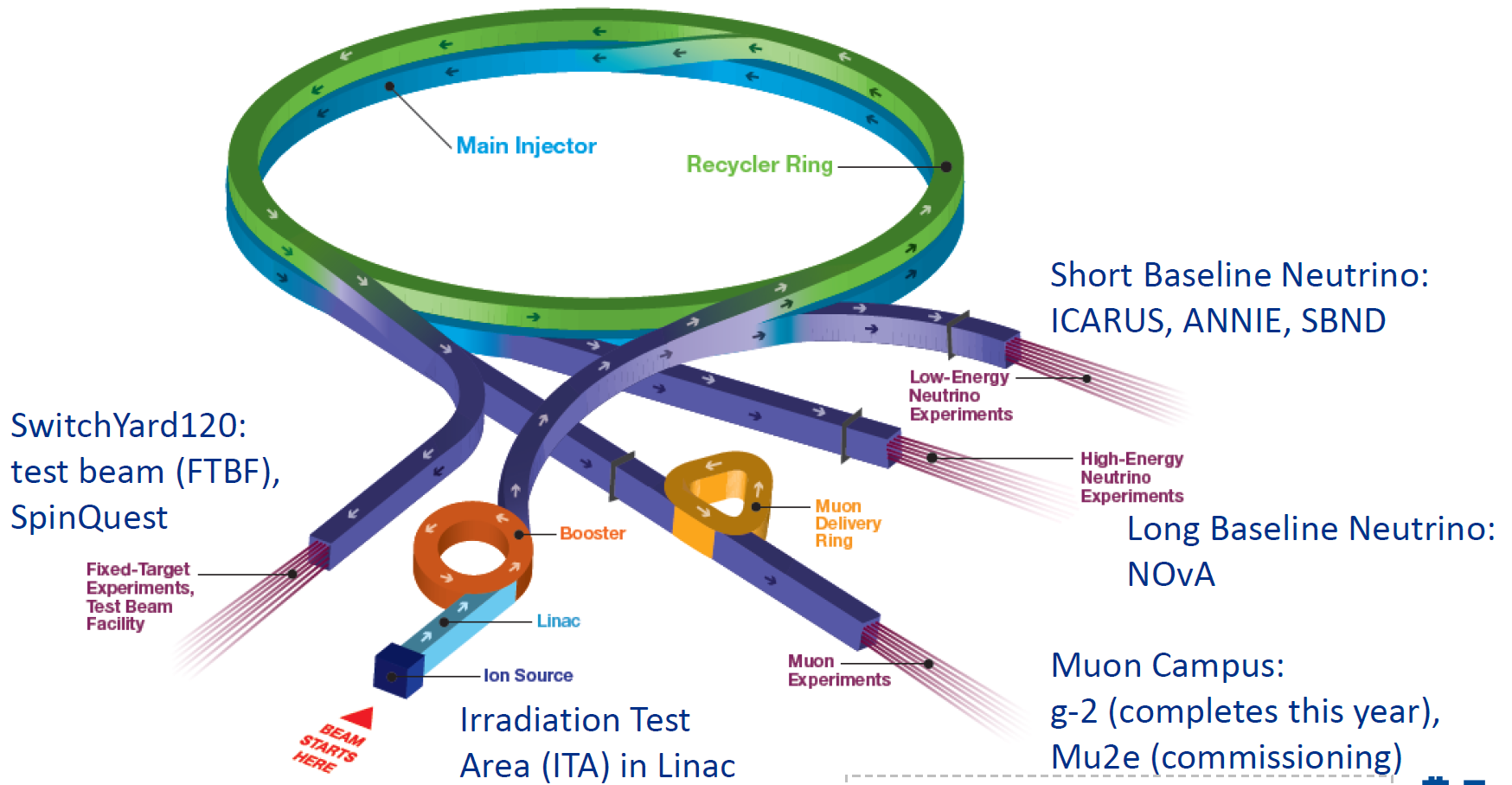
Accelerator



Detector

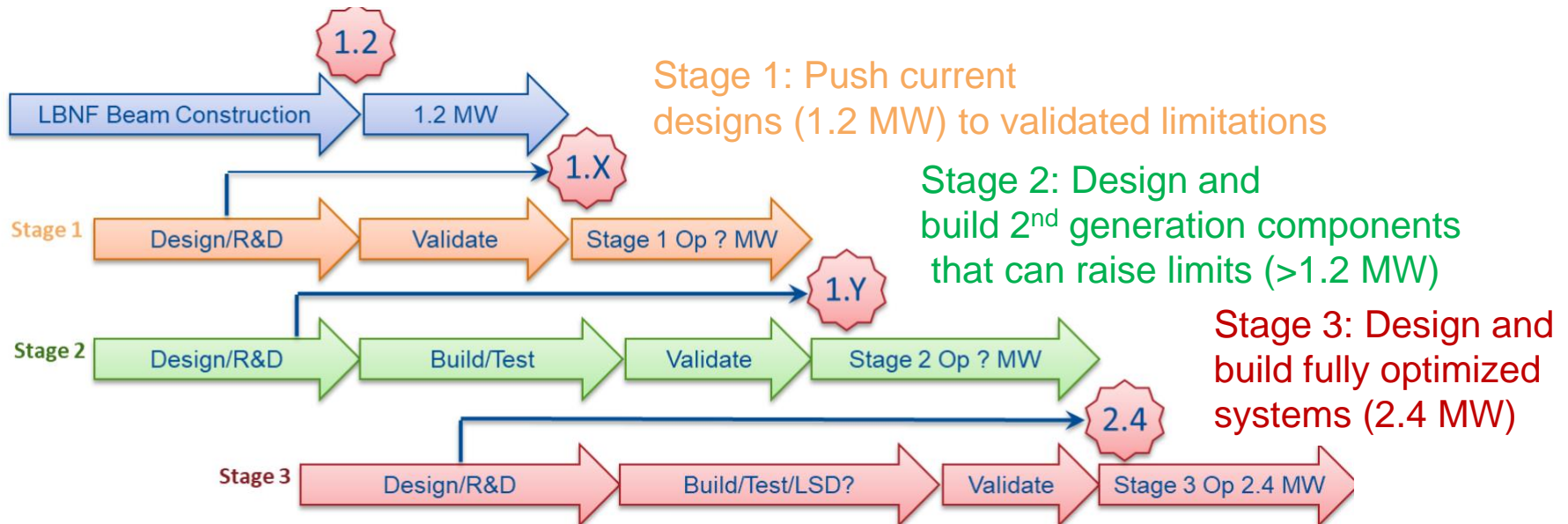
- **GOAL:** By 2030, achieve enough technical maturity for the construction of the demo facility in 2030s and potential construction of the collider facility in the 2040s.

Fermilab Accelerator Complex



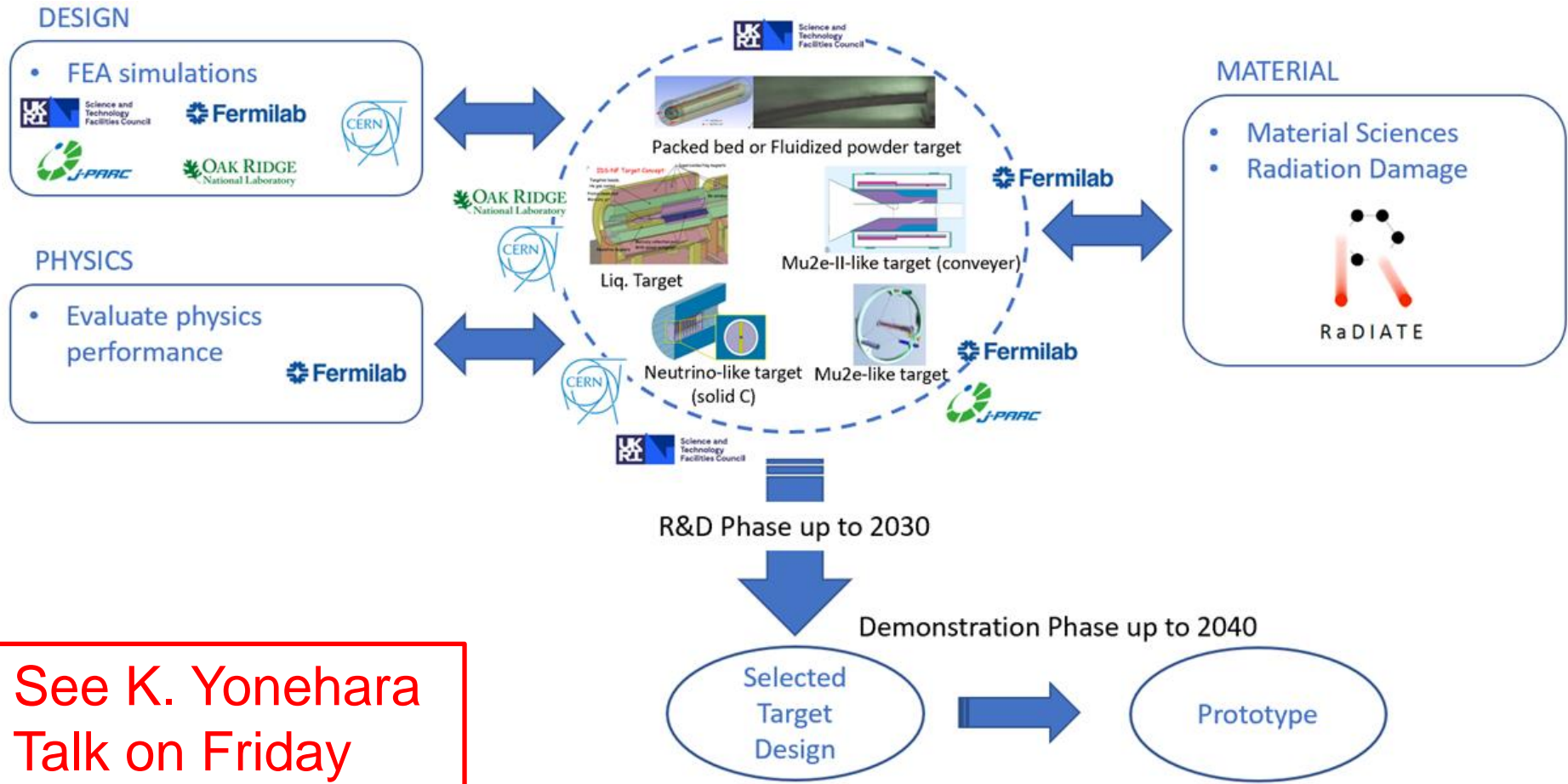
Fermilab ACE program – Phase I (proposed to P5)

- In the next decade, LBNF plans to use protons which will operate at 1.2 MW to start and will be upgradable to 2.4 MW
- Accelerator Complex Evolution (ACE) aims a Main Injector upgrade to deliver >1.2 MW by 2032
 - Will include a rigorous **target R&D program for 2+ MW** beam powers
 - This program will **extremely benefit** the R&D for a MuC!



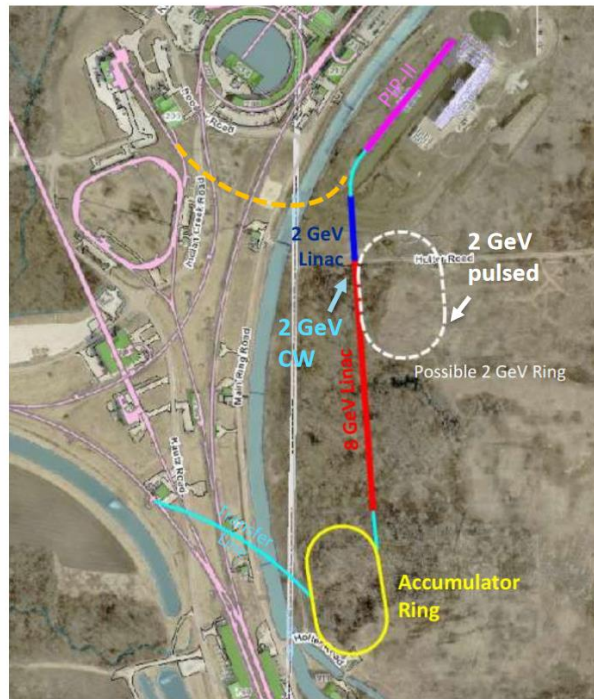
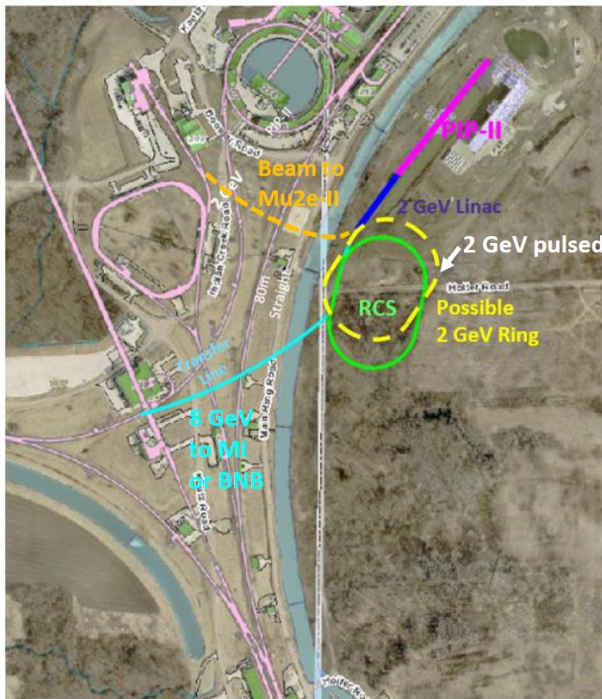
DOE High-Power Targetry roadmap proposal

- MuC targetry is included in the proposed GARD High-Power Targetry Roadmap with a plan to have a prototype in the **late 2030s**



Fermilab ACE – Phase II (proposed to P5, > 2032)

- PIP-II linac extension: 0.8 to 2 GeV (may happen earlier)
- Then: (1) Linac further extension to 8 GeV OR (2) RCS to 8 GeV
 - Both scenarios may provide a path for a MuC proton driver **but will require significant R&D**



Fermilab ACE Science Workshop

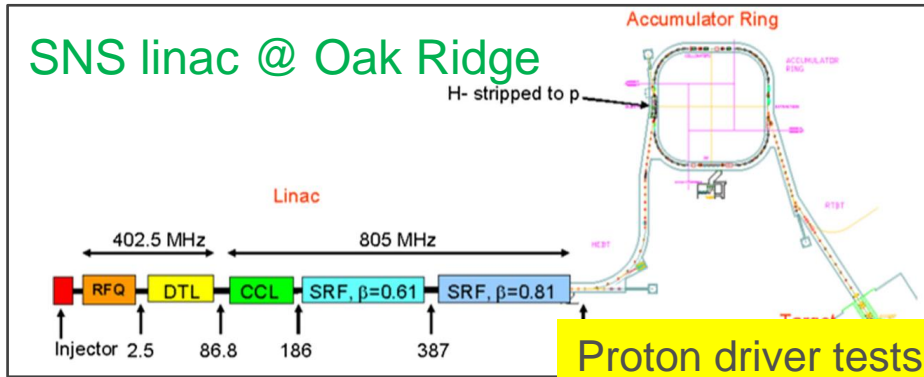
Jun 14 – 15, 2023
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[More details](#)

Further possibilities within the US

- Several existing US based facilities can aid the MuC R&D program: they expressed interest and are currently explored
 - More discussions at the Synergies workshop on Friday

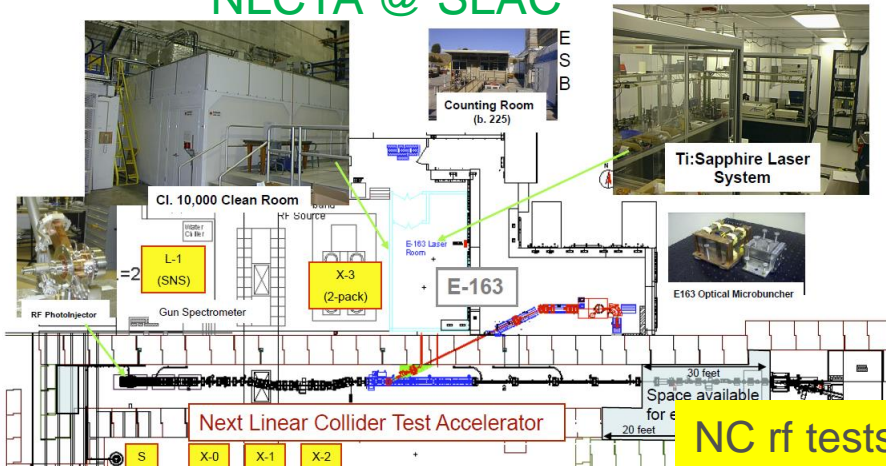
SNS linac @ Oak Ridge



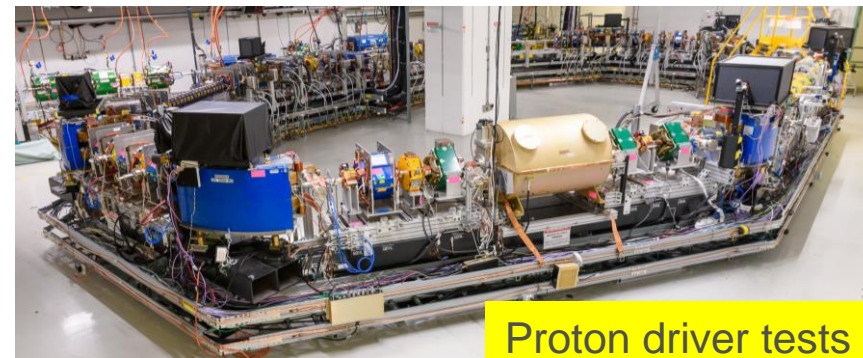
Muon Campus @ Fermilab



NLCTA @ SLAC



FAST/ IOTA @ Fermilab



Summary

- MC offers a unique opportunity for energy frontier collider with high luminosity
- Physics & technology landscape has significantly changed recently
 - Explosion of physics interest in muon colliders as indicated by the number of publications, activities in IMCC, Muon Collider Forum, and Snowmass white papers
- No fundamental show-stoppers in physics and technology have been identified
 - Nevertheless, engineering challenges exist in many aspects of the design and targeted R&D is necessary in order to make further engineering and design progress
- We have established a highly motivated group to address challenges for a Muon Collider

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