

# High Field Magnet R&D Programme

## Status of high-field magnet R&D for future colliders

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# HFM R&D consortium (present main contributors)



# HFM Programme – broad goals

- **The EU Accelerator R&D Roadmap identifies main objectives for the High Field Magnet Programme:**
  - **OBJECTIVE 1:**

Design and demonstrate a full-size Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnet to proof the maturity of the most advanced technologies today, based on the HL-LHC design, i.e., 12 T magnets, and applying all the lessons learned from the US LHC Accelerator Research programme (LARP), the US High-Luminosity LHC Accelerator Upgrade project (AUP) and the HL-LHC project
  - **OBJECTIVE 2:**

Explore the limitations of the LTS state-of-the-art technology and push Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet technology to its practical limits in terms of ultimate performance, towards the 16 T target targeted by the FCC-hh
  - **OBJECTIVE 3:**

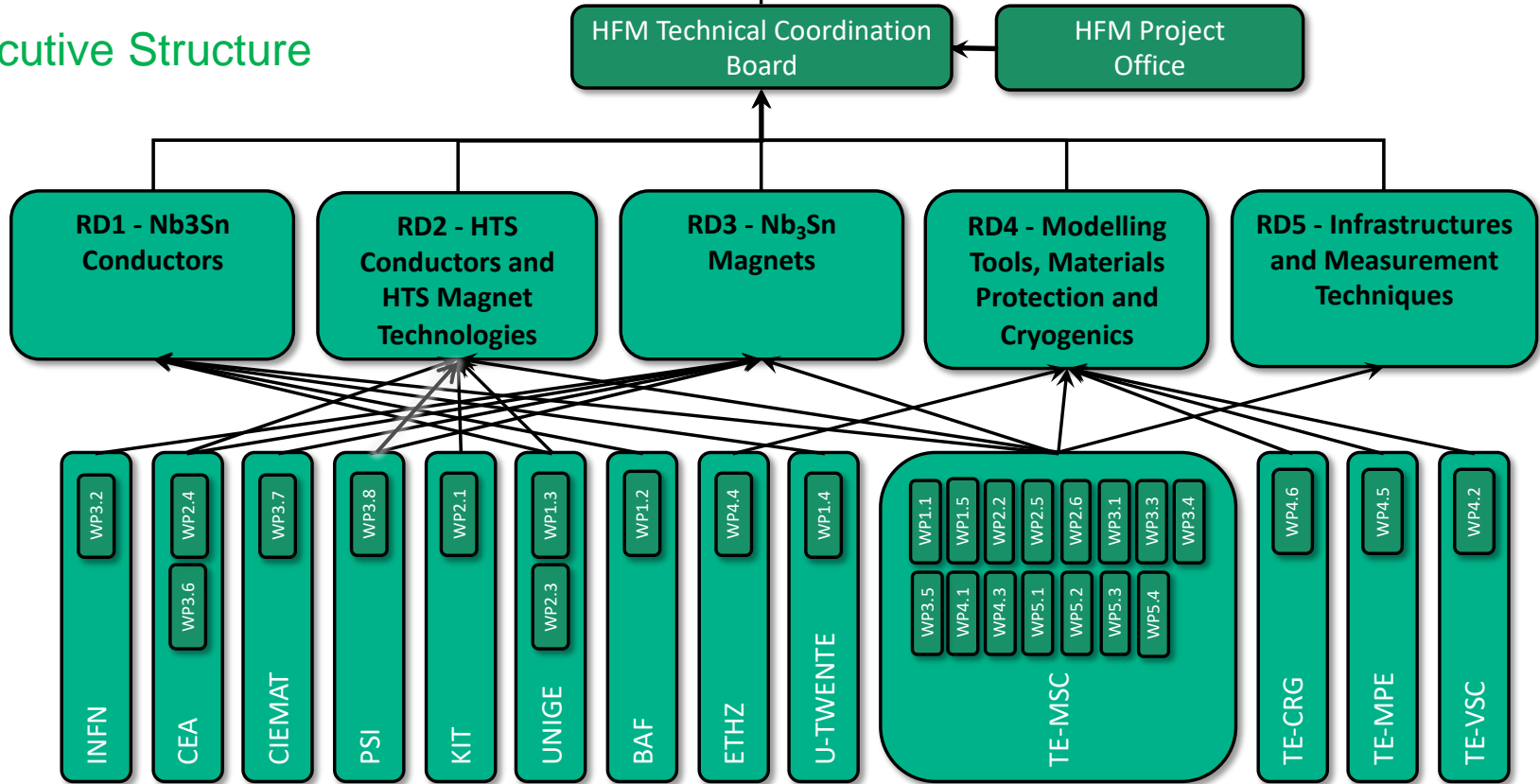
Explore the capabilities and limitations of state-of-the-art HTS and magnet technology based on these superconductors. Demonstrate the suitability of HTS
  - **Create a European Research Network involving CERN and National Labs**

# HFM Programme Executive Structure

Governance



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# Focus areas for the LTS magnet technology

## Demonstrator of the maturity of state-of-the-art Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technology “12 Tesla Robust Dipole”

- So far, no full-size dipole magnet using Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technology has been built
- In order to demonstrate the maturity of the most advanced technologies today applying all the lessons learnt so far, and to investigate the physical and technological effects related to the length of the magnets, an accelerator-size magnet demonstrator will be built, taking HL-LHC as a benchmark, i.e., 12 T

- Accelerator-size demonstrator of maturity of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technologies, including improved manufacturability through collaboration with industrial partners
- Achieving 14+T with this robust 12T technology will be possible due to the increase in J<sub>c</sub> and enhancement of the mechanical properties of the Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductor



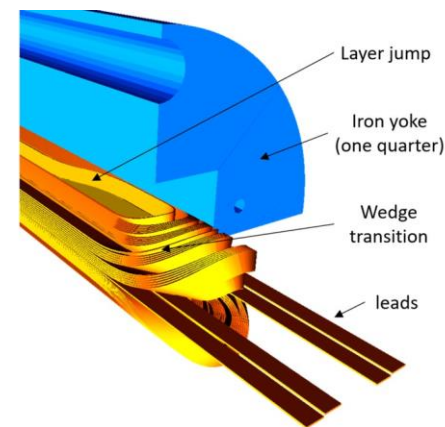
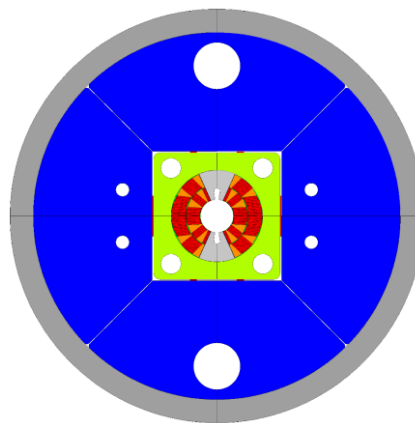
12 Tesla  
Robust

# Ongoing work examples: 12 T robust dipole development

## Development of a single aperture 12 T “robust dipole” in INFN, Genova

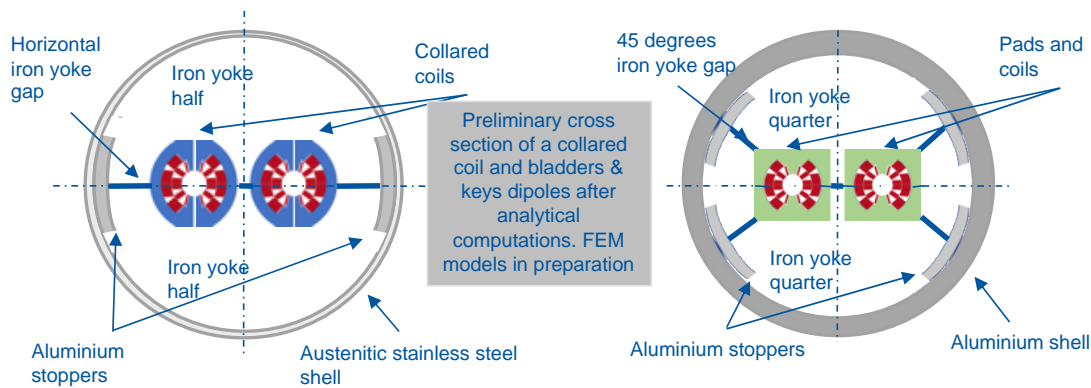
Main characteristics :

- ▣ 2 layers ; 50 mm bore
- ▣ Rutherford 40 strands ( $\rho = 1 \text{ mm } J_c(4.5 \text{ K}, 16 \text{ T})=1200 \text{ A/mm}^2$ )
- ▣ Nominal magnetic field: 12 T
- ▣ Ultimate (mechanical limit) field: 14 T
- ▣ Short sample limit : 15.7 T
- ▣ Mechanical structure: bladder & key
- ▣ Stress in conductors  $\lesssim 150 \text{ MPa}$  in all conditions
- ▣ Outer diameter: 640 mm (LASA test)

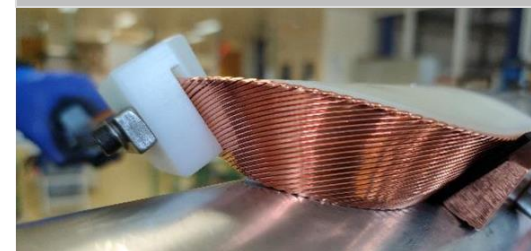


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## Development of twin 12 T “robust dipole” at CERN



Winding tests are ongoing in INFN Genova

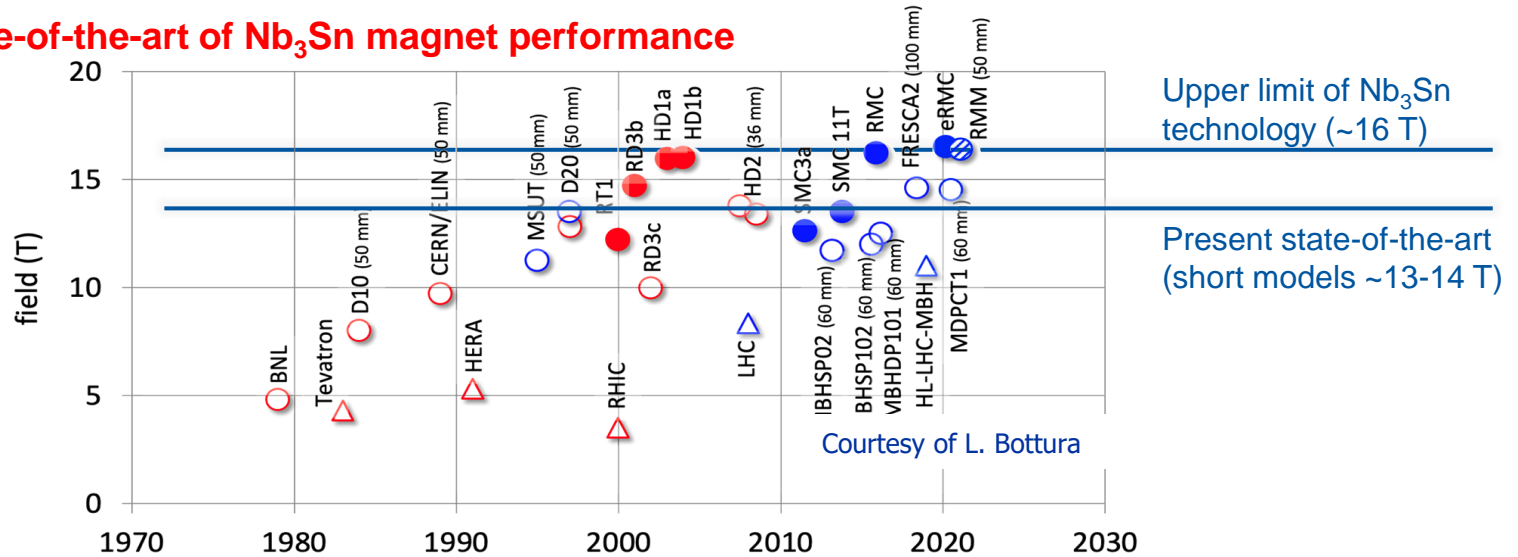


Both the INFN and CERN 12 T short robust dipole models are expected to be ready in 2025




# State-of-the-art LTS superconductors and magnet technology

## State-of-the-art of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet performance

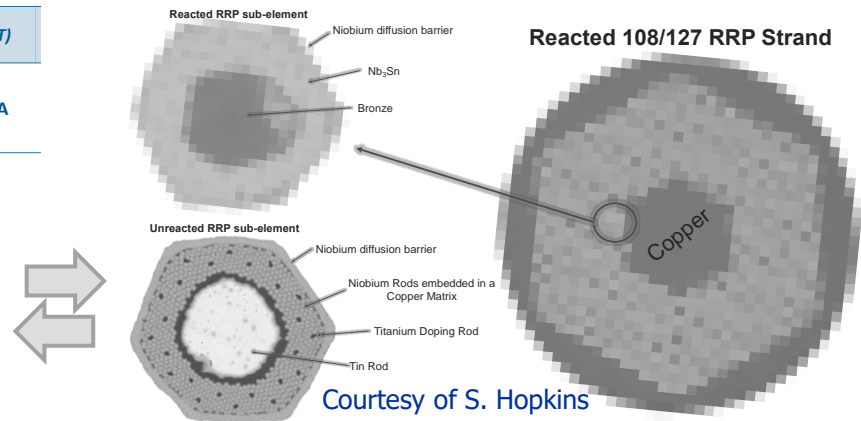


## State-of-the-art Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductor (HL-LHC)

Technology	# of subelements	Cu/non-Cu	Subelement size/shape	Diameter	$I_c(16\text{ T})$
 RRP	108/127	1.2	~55 $\mu\text{m}$	0.85 mm	280 A

### Heat treatment

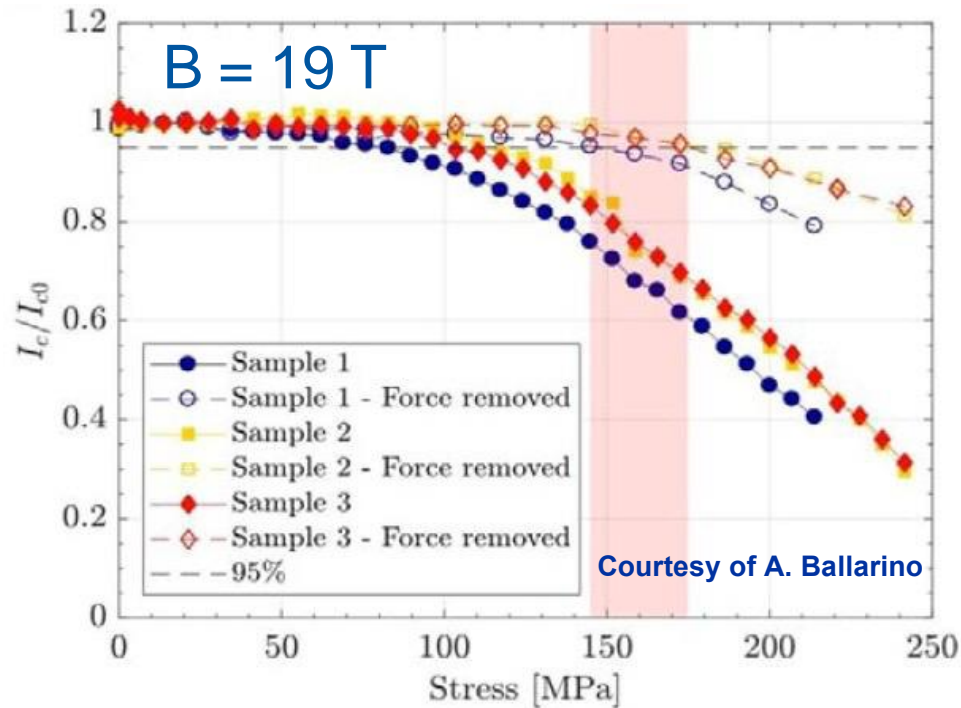
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1	210	48	25
2	400	48	50
3	665	50	50



# Main challenges facing the development of beyond state-of-the-art 14+ Tesla LTS magnets

## Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Conductors

- Present limitations of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technology are linked to:
  - conductor stress/strain sensitivity and degradation
  - thermomechanical behaviour and degradation of magnet performance



- $\sigma_{irr} = 145\text{--}175$  MPa

- $I_c/I_{c0}$  @ 150 MPa  
→ 16 % - 28 %

# R&D Strategy and Focus Areas for the LTS high-field 14+ T magnets

**Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Conductors and magnets:** pushing towards ultimate performance

- **Stress/strain sensitivity** and degradation of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductors **to be overcome** by one of the two development paths:

## Direct path

- New Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn wire structures with enhanced mechanical strength
- Higher J<sub>c</sub> (increased margins)
- Industrialization of improved superconductors



## Indirect path

- Magnet structures need to be adapted via stress management to cope with performance limitations due to Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn stress/strain sensitivity and thermomechanical behaviour



# R&D Strategy and Focus Areas for the LTS high-field magnets

## Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Magnets: 14+T Feasibility Studies

- Exploratory phase, multiple magnet-development of various magnet structures at CERN and national laboratories
- 1st priority: performance and (sufficient) robustness
- 2nd priority: maximum robustness and reduced cost

**Evolutionary path** based on the current state-of-the-art magnet structures

- Evolution of LHC/LARP/HL-LHC technology and magnet structures
  - cos theta (see 12 T Robust)
  - block coil
  - common coil



Achieving the 16 T target will basically require new Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn wire structures with enhanced mechanical strength

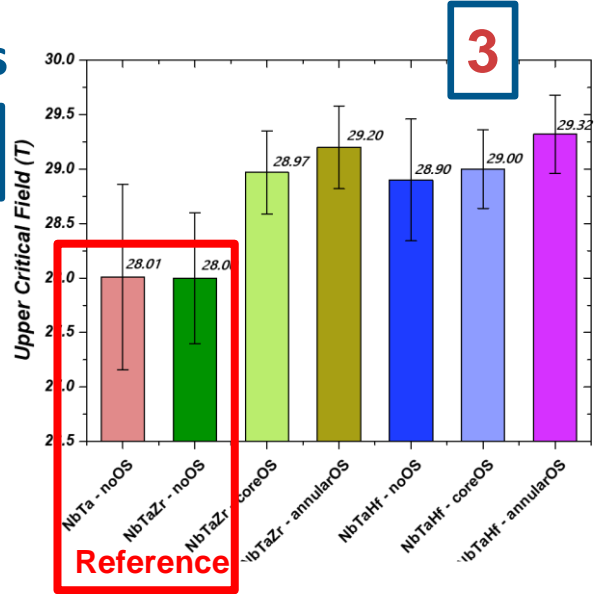
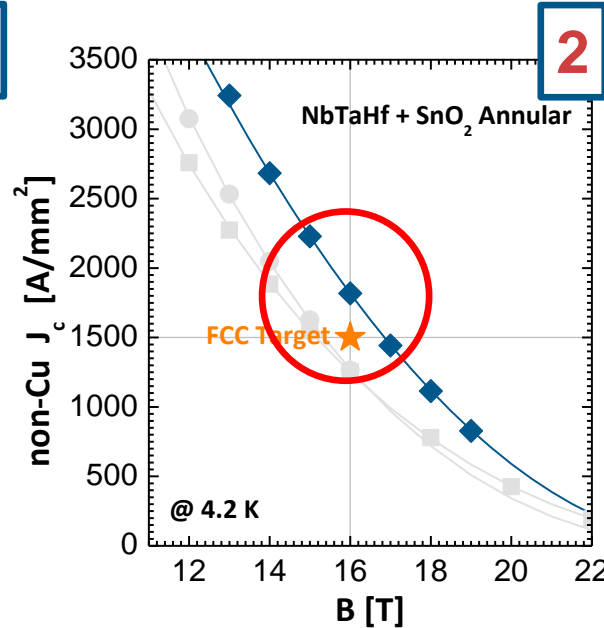
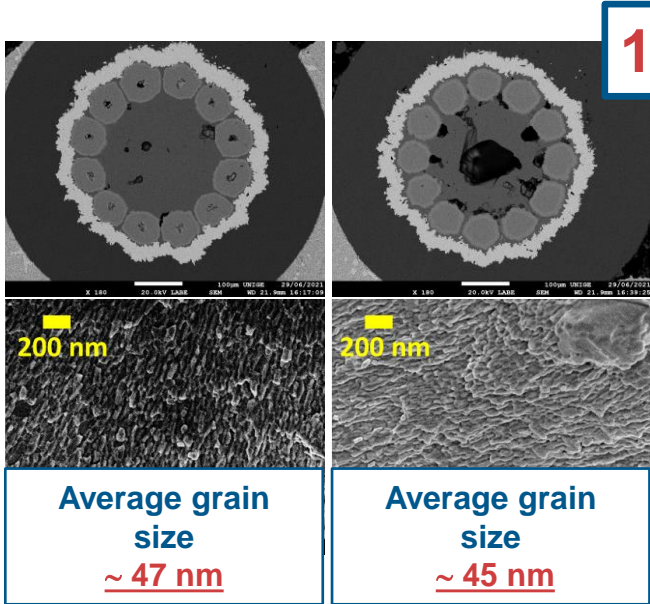
**Innovative path** that goes beyond current state-of-the-art magnet structures

- Magnet structures adapted to stress/strain sensitivity limitations
  - stress managed version of either coil variant aimed at reduced coil stresses, at cost of lower efficiency



Achieving the 16 T target will not require new Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn wire structures with enhanced mechanical strength

## Internal Oxidation in prototype multifilamentary wires



## Pushing Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn towards its ultimate performance

- 1** Refinement of the grain size: 100 nm → 50 nm
- 2** Large increase of the layer  $J_c$  → exceeding the FCC target
- 3** Enhancement of  $B_{c2}$  by > 1 T → improved in-field performance



Courtesy of C. Senatore

# Ongoing work examples: Development Plan at CEA towards 16 T Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipoles with block coil structure

## F2D2 Short model

→ **Planned**

Grading + Flared-ends + Aperture, 16 T  
1.5 m, 50 mm bore **with aperture**

## FD Demonstrator

→ **Planned**

Grading + flared-ends, 14 T  
1.5 m, No bore **with flared ends**

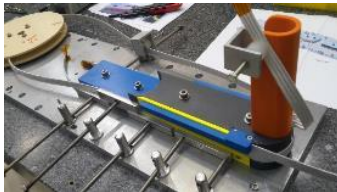
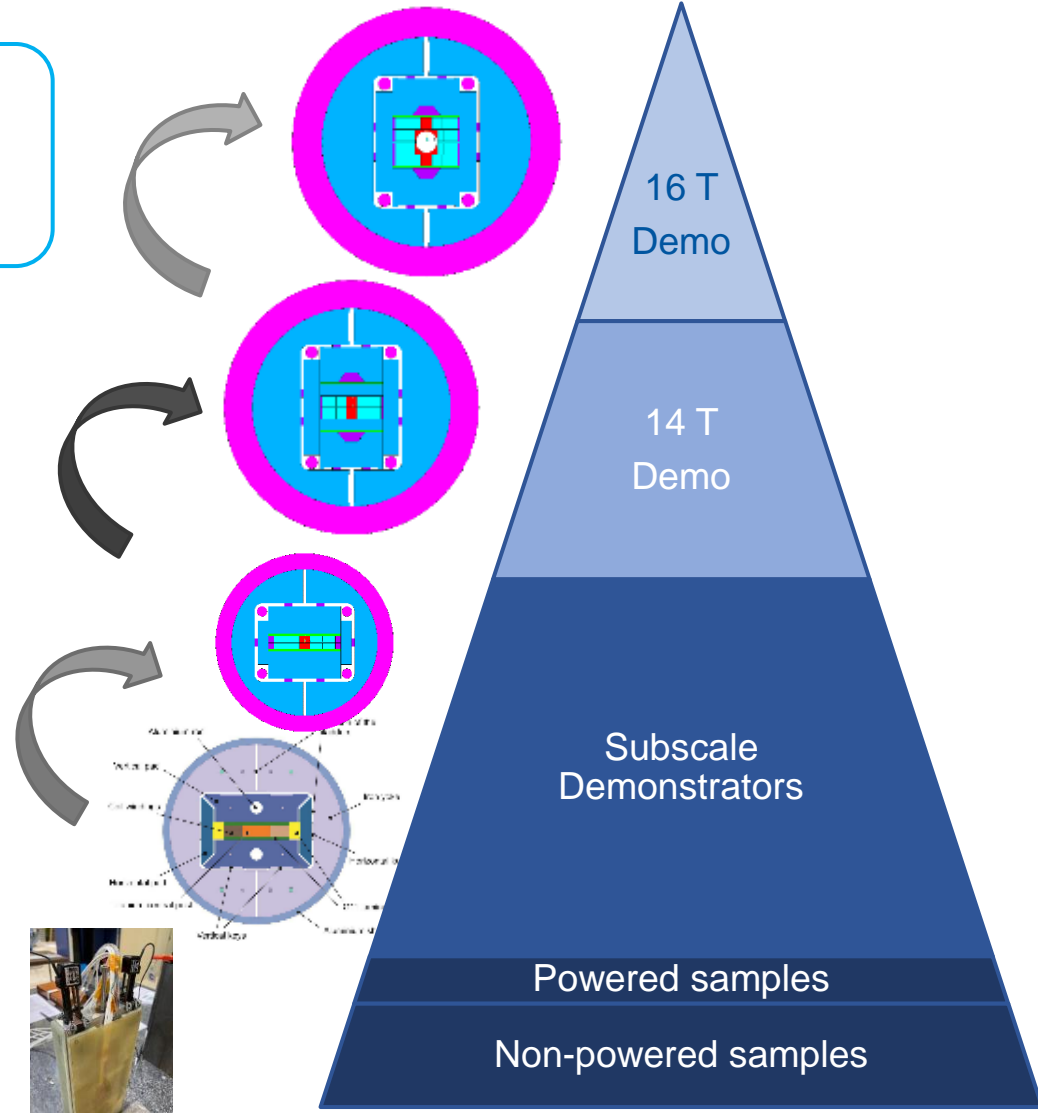
## CEA-CERN R2D2

→ **Ongoing**

Demonstrate grading ≥ 12 T  
1.5 m, No bore **with grading**

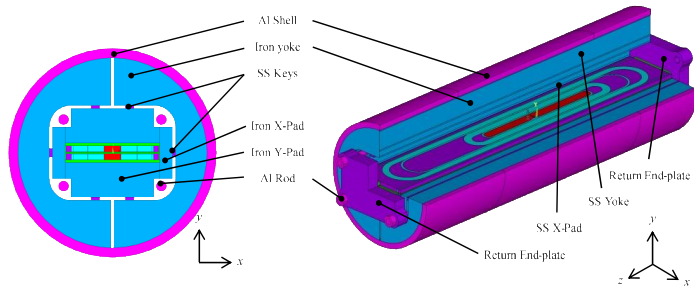
## CEA-CERN SMC-11T coil ✓ **Done**

Demonstrate Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn tech. ≥ 12 T



# Status of R2D2 subscale demonstrator of graded Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn block coil technology

R2D2 = Research Racetrack Dipole Demonstrator

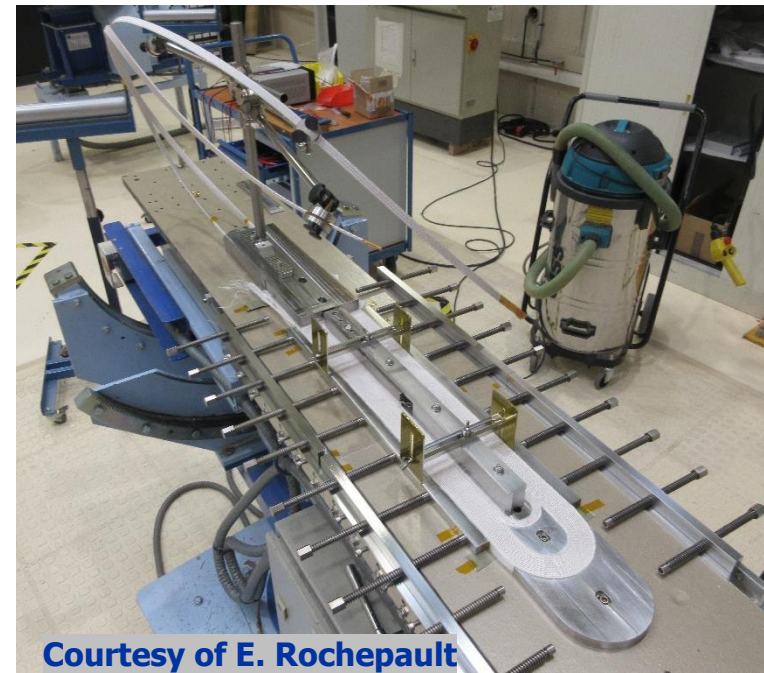
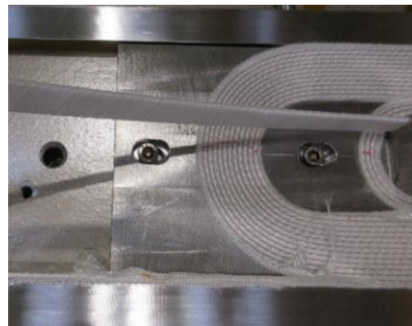


Aperture	None
Outer diameter	480 mm
Structure length	2.0 m
Nominal central field	11.1 T
Ultimate central field	12.0 T
Nominal peak field	12.7 T
Ultimate peak field	13.7 T

Parameter	Unit	HF cable	LF cable
Strand type		DEM-1.1	DEM-0.7
Strand layout		RRP® 162/169	RRP® 60/91
Strand diameter	mm	1.1	0.7
Number of strands		21	34
Cable mid-thickness	mm	1.969 ± 0.010	1.253 ± 0.010
Cable width	mm	12.579 ± 0.050	12.579 ± 0.050
Pitch	mm	84 ± 3	79 ± 3
Core		No core	No core

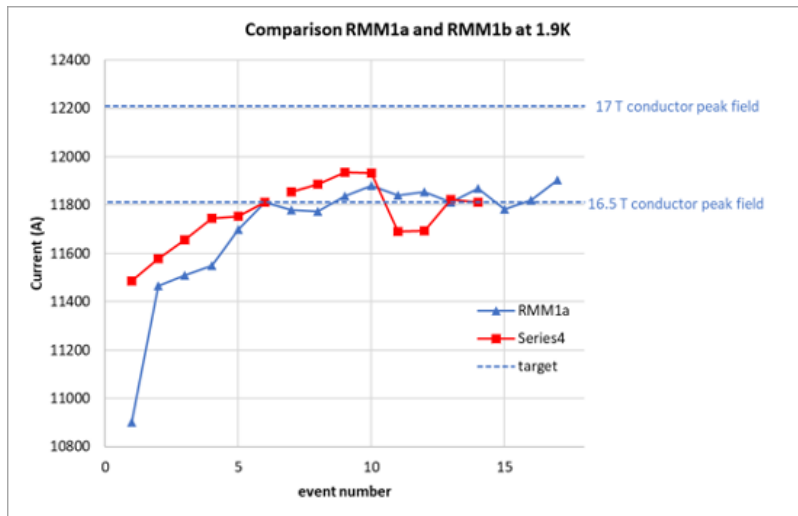
- ✓ **Conceptual design done and reviewed**
- ✓ **External joint procedure validated at CEA**
- ✓ **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn prototype cables validated at CERN**
- ✓ **Coil components and tooling received and qualified at Saclay**

➤ **Fabrication started at CEA**



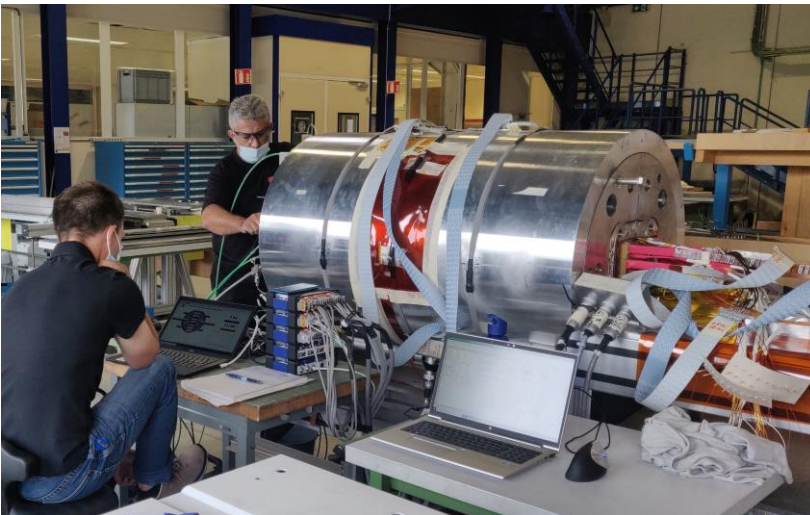
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# Ongoing work examples: RMM1b demonstrator tests at CERN



- RMM1b test performed at CERN Aug/Sept 2022
- Maximum current reached in Q #9 & Q #10 of 11.94 kA corresponding to conductor peak field  $B_p$  of **16.7T and 16.5 T** in aperture cavity
- Small detaining is attributed to insufficient prestress in the coils
- Magnet was warmed up and will be assembled with higher prestress in the coils

Courtesy of J. C. Perez





# State of development of other magnet structures within the LTS exploratory phase

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y Tecnológicas

- Collaboration agreement for the development of technological steps towards 16 T Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets with common coil structure: **preparation of workshops for the implementation phase**

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- Collaboration agreement for the development of technological steps towards 16 T common coil Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets with stress management: **collaboration agreement is finalised**



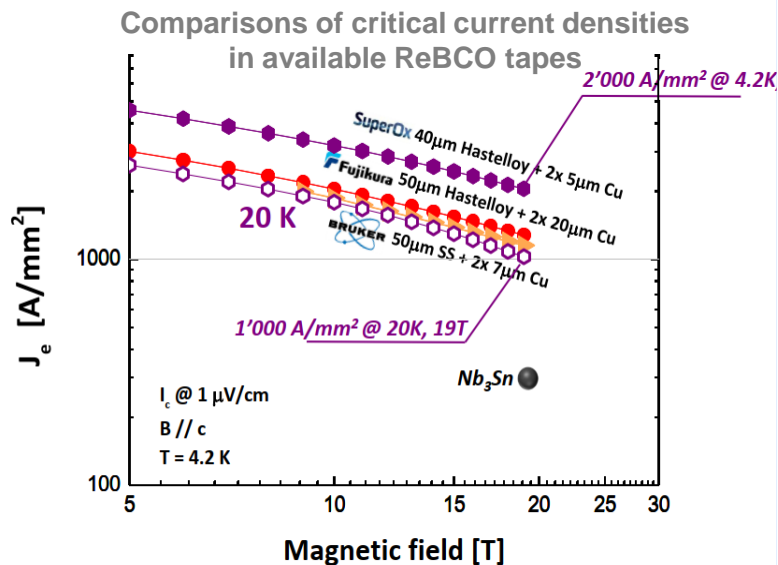
- Development of technological steps towards 16 T block coil Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets with stress management: **conceptual design has started**

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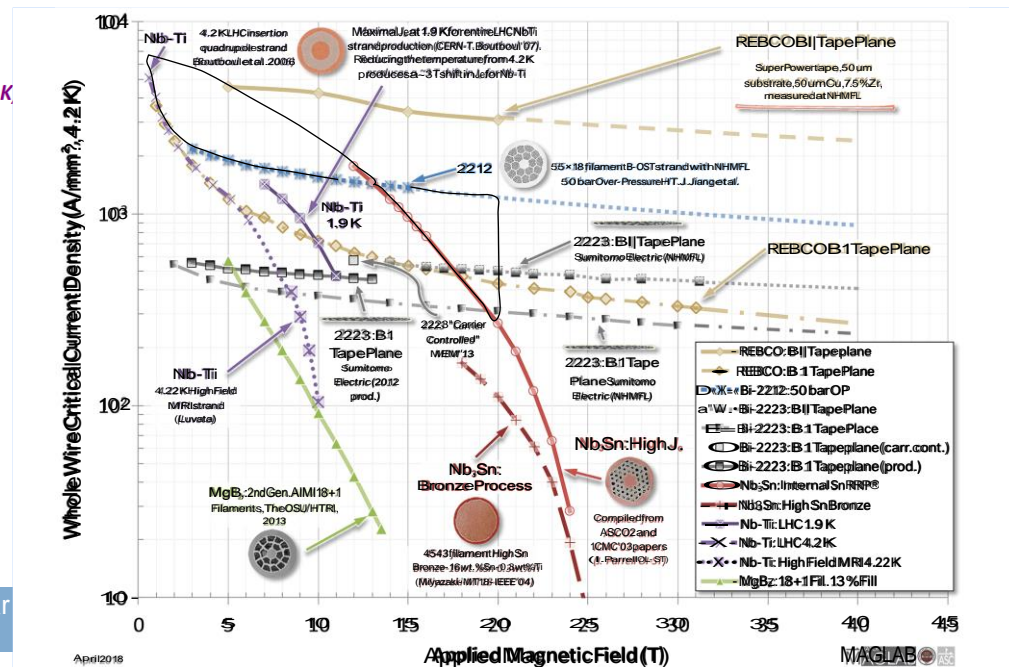
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# HTS REBCO and BSCCO: State of the Art

- ReBCO ( $\text{ReBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$ ) coated conductor is a potential enabling technology for **magnets beyond 16 T**
  - $J_c$  is sufficient for most application requirements,  $J_e$  (4.2 K, 20 T) > 1000 A/mm<sup>2</sup>
- HTS ReBCO and BSCCO materials outperform LTS Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn at higher field, but under-perform at low field
  - Hybrid LTS/HTS magnets are most efficient

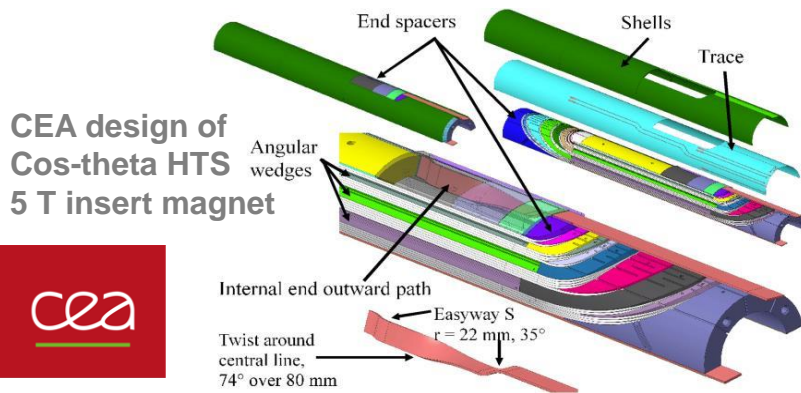


Engineering current density ( $J_e$ ) in magnetic field perpendicular to substrate for selected conductors (C. Senatore, UNIGE)

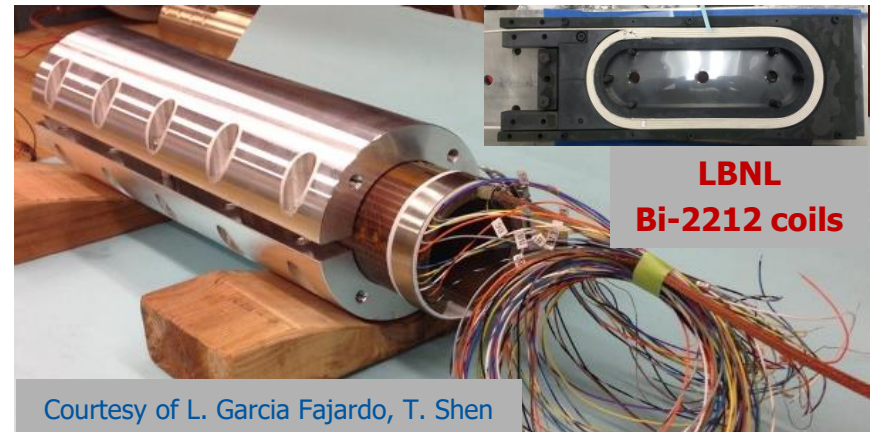
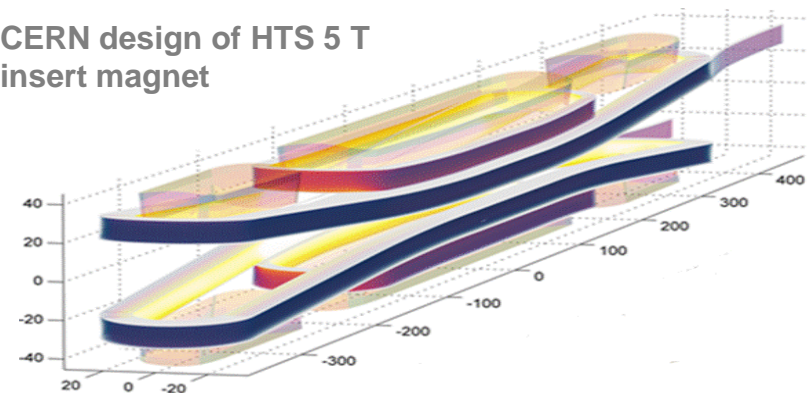


# State-of-the-art of HTS magnet technology

- So far, many small experimental solenoid magnets have been built, but only a few coils for accelerator dipole magnets made either of ReBCO tapes or Bi-2212 cables, and only the first HTS inserts for hybrid dipole demonstrators, such as 5 T inserts at CERN and CEA and 3 T at BNL
- **In practice, all insert coils built for hybrid LTS/HTS magnets had significant performance limitations**

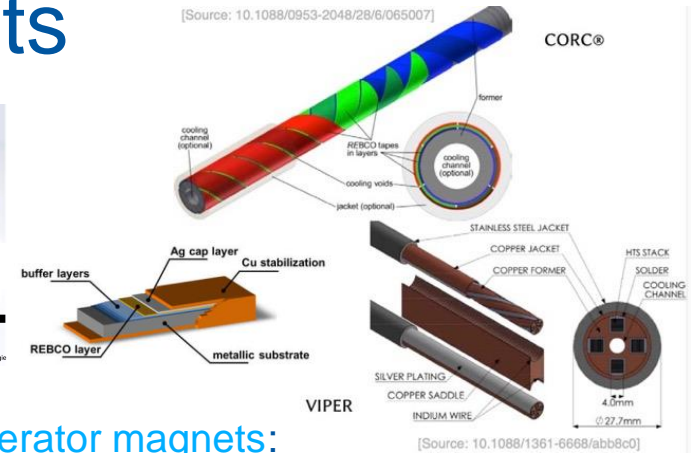


**CERN design of HTS 5 T insert magnet**



# Main challenges facing the development of future HTS high-field magnets

## HTS Conductors



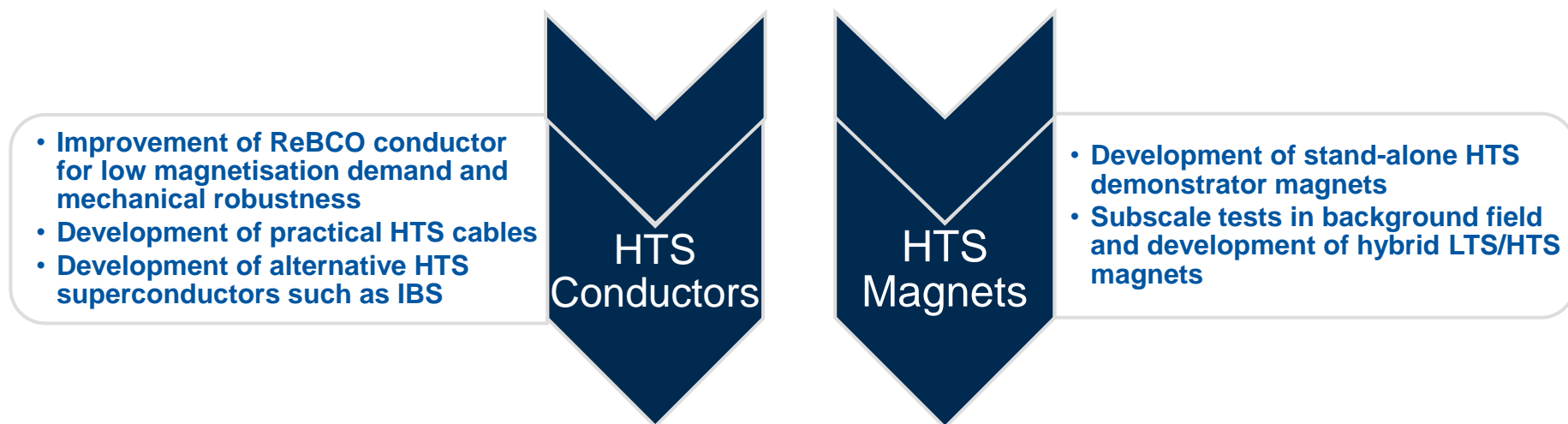
Current main limitations of HTS conductors specific to accelerator magnets:

- ReBCO conductor shear stress sensitivity and degradation
- Large magnetization of ReBCO conductors. Tape conductor shape (rather than multifilamentary wire) creates field errors that may be too large for accelerator magnets
- Magnetic hysteresis, coupling currents and eddy currents (AC losses) are serious drawbacks of ReBCO tapes and cables. With a substantial modification of the tape architecture (filamentation) ReBCO tapes could comply with losses in Nb3Sn in high-fields ( $> 10\text{ T}$ )
- Limited ability to bend at small radii of ReBCO conductors, forcing specific structures of magnet coil ends
- Quench protection of accelerator size magnets due to low quench propagation velocity and high stored energy density in coils made of ReBCO as well as Bi-2212
- Uniformity of ReBCO tapes and cables along the length and lot to lot, impacting on magnet protection
- Bi-2212 conductor stress/strain sensitivity and degradation
- Very complex Reaction Heat Treatment for Bi-2212
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# R&D Strategy and Focus Areas for the HTS high-field magnets

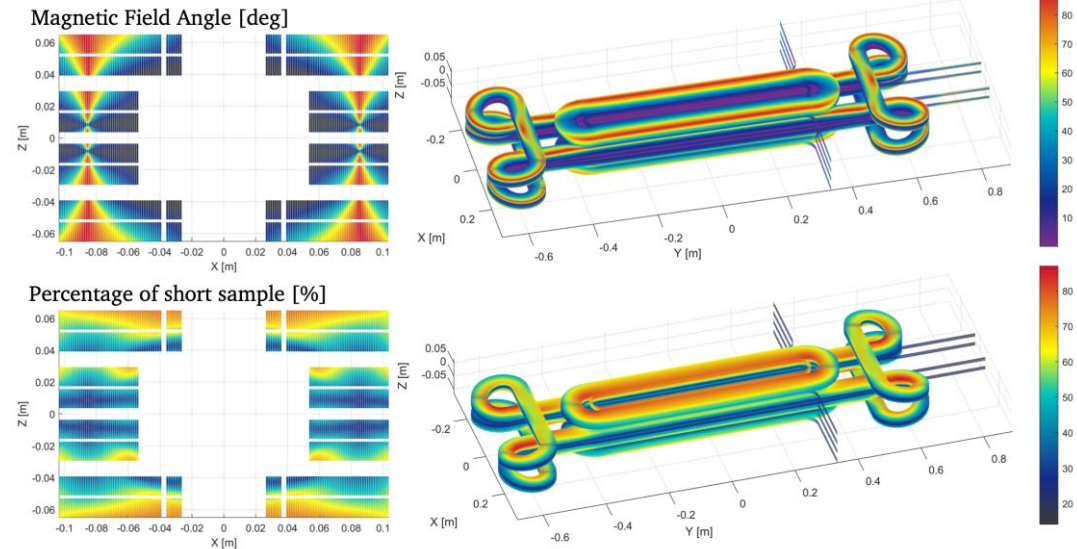
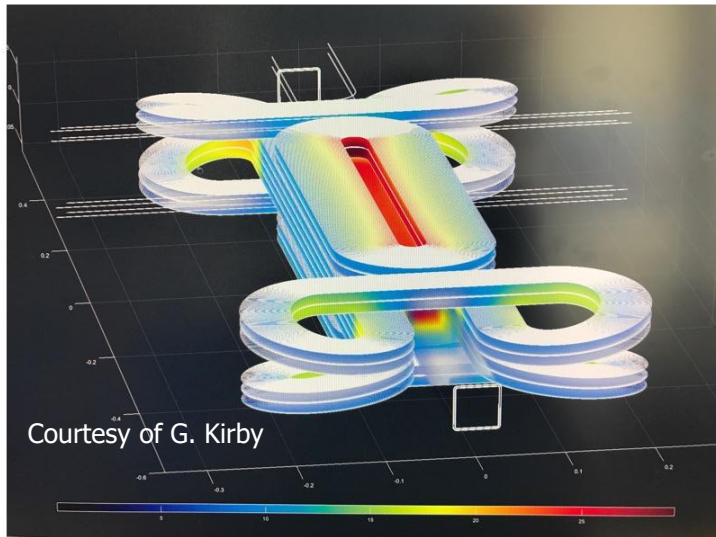
## HTS Conductors and Magnet Technology

- The broader HTS magnet technology, including cable design, coil design, joints, quench detection and magnet protection remains at an early stage of development
- The main focus area is **demonstration of the suitability of state-of-the-art HTS conductors for accelerator magnets**, providing a proof of principle of HTS magnet technology beyond the capability of LTS Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technology



# HTS is the only path beyond 16 Tesla

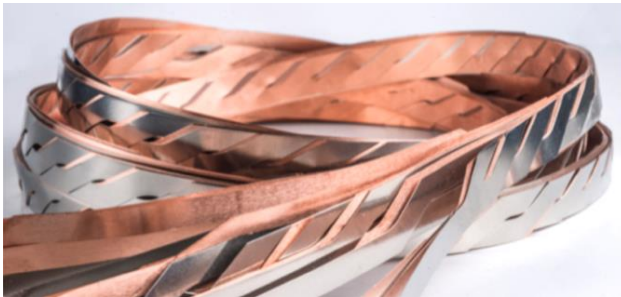
- Are we ready for the HTS revolution in accelerator magnets?
  - It seems that we still have a long way to go before all-HTS magnets replace LTS magnets
  - Hybrid LTS/HTS magnets seem to be the most promising in overcoming the 16 T barrier
  - In the coming years, the further development of practical HTS conductors will be the most important
- Using the available HTS conductors now rather than waiting for better once is under deliberation
  - As part of the HFM Programme, work is underway on the conceptual designs of HTS magnets using existing conductors and developing the magnet structures not as we would like, but as allowed by conductors



# Ongoing work examples: KIT-CERN Collaboration on Coated Conductors

## KC<sup>4</sup> mission

- **Development of tailored HTS-tapes for magnet and energy applications**
  - Company independent
  - Special tape architectures for R&D
  - Tape length up to 100m to meet demonstrator needs
  
- **Commissioning of CC deposition equipment**
  - PLD setup adapted to local lab requirements
  - Short sample (10m batches) synthesis **just started**



Courtesy of B. Holzapfel



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# R&D strategy in other areas of interest

## Enabling Technologies R&D

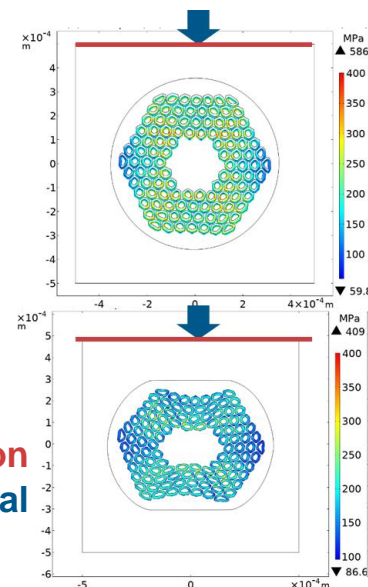
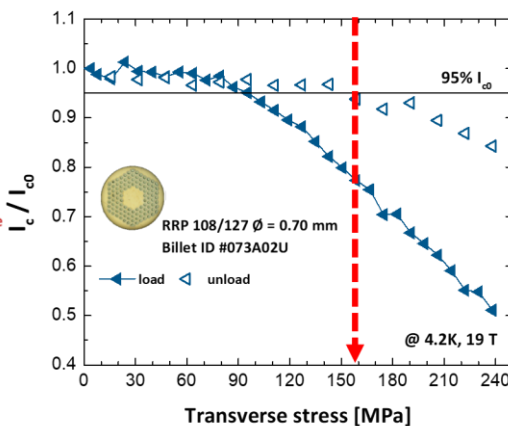
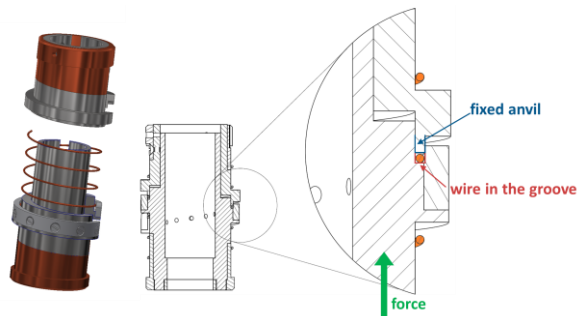
- Present limitations of state-of-the-art HFM are often linked to enabling technologies that need to be further developed and advanced

- Enhanced impregnation materials for HFM magnet coils
- Enhanced insulation materials for HFM conductors and coils
- New structural materials for HFM magnets with enhanced functionality through additive manufacturing
- Common modelling and simulation tools for HFM magnets
- Novel quench detection and protection methods for both Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn and HTS high-field magnets
- Cryogenic and thermal management studies for HFM magnets



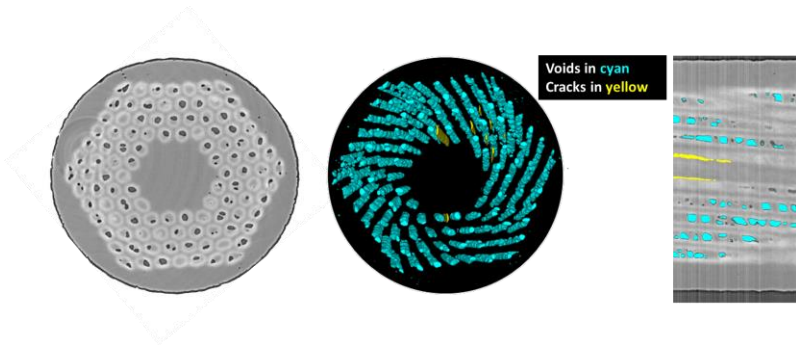
Enabling  
Technologies

## Assessing the mechanisms behind the permanent reduction of $I_c$



FE simulations to investigate the role of plastic deformation and residual stresses in the irreversible loss of critical current under transverse load, in collaboration with PSI

A comprehensive campaign of electromechanical tests on different wire types to gain knowledge on several practical aspects for magnet operations



Machine learning applied to X-ray tomography as a new tool to analyze crack formation and propagation in  $Nb_3Sn$  wires, in collaboration with ESRF

Courtesy of C. Senatore

# HFM - Challenges and Plans for Test Infrastructures

## Main HFM Programme needs

- HFM R&D programme will require the development of new infrastructures related to both superconducting cables and magnets

- **Magnet test infrastructures for the HFM programme**
- **Infrastructures for conductors and characterisation**
- **Infrastructures for building demonstrators, short magnet models and full-scale prototypes**
- **Novel instrumentation, diagnostics and measurement equipment**



Infrastructures

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# Summary of main deliverables during 2023-2026 as an input to the next update of ESPP (LTS)

- **Development of new HFM grade Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductor** with target Jc of 1500 A/mm<sup>2</sup> @ 16 T and enhanced mechanical properties
- **Demonstration of the maturity of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn technology for collider-scale production through 12 T robust dipole magnet design**, including industrial processes and cost reduction:
  - INFN – 12 T FalconD single aperture short dipole model
  - CERN – 12 T Robust twin aperture short dipole model (either collared coils or bladder and key)
- **Demonstrators of the Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn potential above 14 T:**
  - CEA – FD single aperture 14 T graded conductor block coil demonstrator (no aperture)
  - CERN – 14+T block coil demonstrator with coil stress management (targeting 16 T)
  - CIEMAT – 14 T common coil demonstrator
  - PSI – 14+ T common coil demonstrator with coil stress management (targeting 16 T)

# Summary of main deliverables during 2023-2026 as an input to the next update of ESPP (HTS)

- **Exploration and demonstration of suitability of state-of-the-art HTS conductors for building accelerator magnets**
  - KIT – accelerator magnet grade REBCO prototype tapes with optimized magnetization and mechanical properties
  - CERN – development of practical HTS cables
  - CEA – development of MI racetrack coil demonstrator
  - PSI – development of soldered tape-stack racetrack demonstrator with stress management.
  - CERN – development of dielectric-insulated racetrack coil demonstrator
- **The target objectives are defined and challenges to reach them are shared with EU national labs**

# Final Remarks

- **The CERN hosted HFM Programme**, is a technology focussed R&D mission aimed at developing the next generation of accelerator magnets for future colliders
- The LTS and HTS magnet technology challenges faced by HFM Programme will be many and significant, in particular requiring a **decisive advancement beyond the state of the art** to make the next generation magnets possible
- The development of required LTS and HTS superconductors will require **innovations, and exploration of emerging technologies**, especially for the practical superconducting cable designs
- Fostering and profiting from collaborations with **EU national laboratories** is an essential part of the HFM programme as well as linking to ongoing worldwide efforts, particularly in the **US and Japan**
- We intend to further **accelerate the R&D effort** of the HFM Programme, focusing on milestones to be achieved by the next ESPP update



**Thank you for your attention!**

# Spare slides



# Muon Collider

## Magnet Challenges and R&D

Summary by L. Bottura, CERN  
for the Muon Magnets Working Group



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High Field Magnets

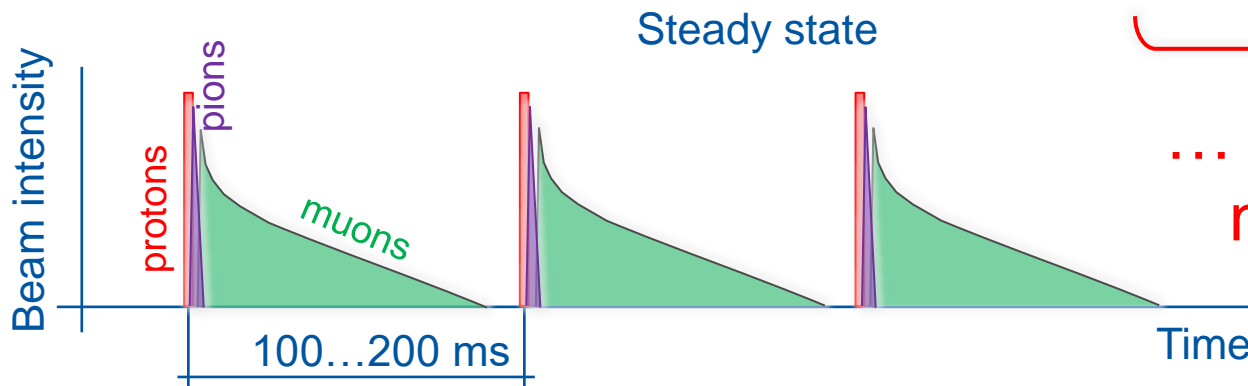
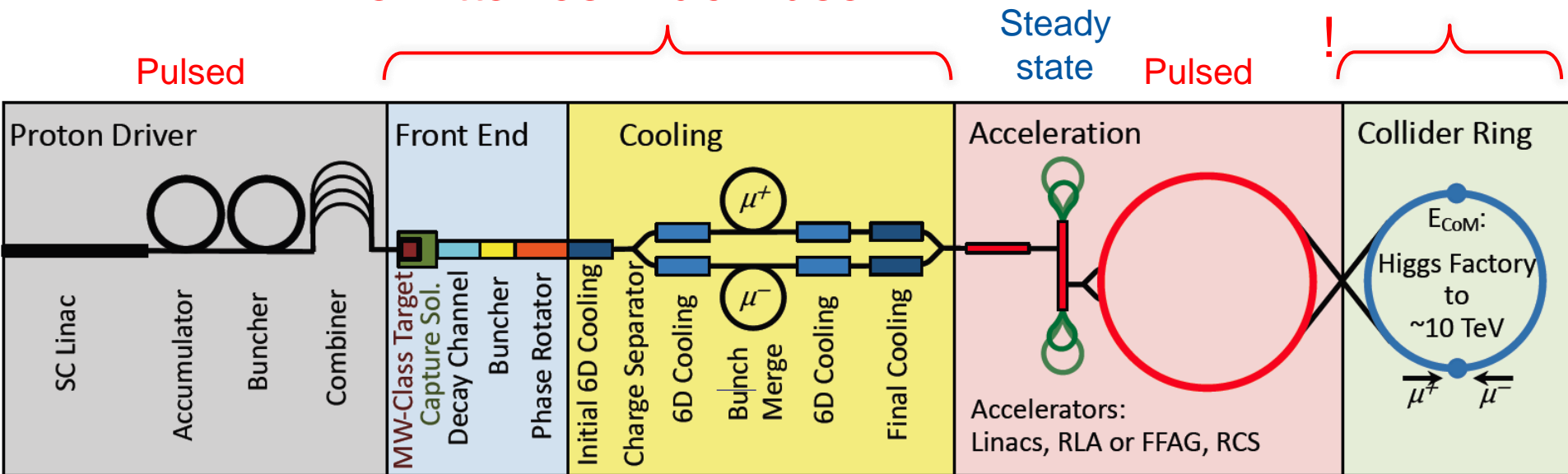
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# Proton-driven Muon Collider Concept

Produce a low emittance muon beam...

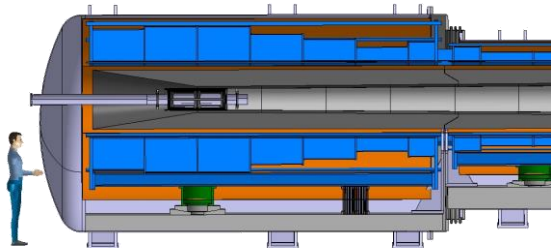
... collide



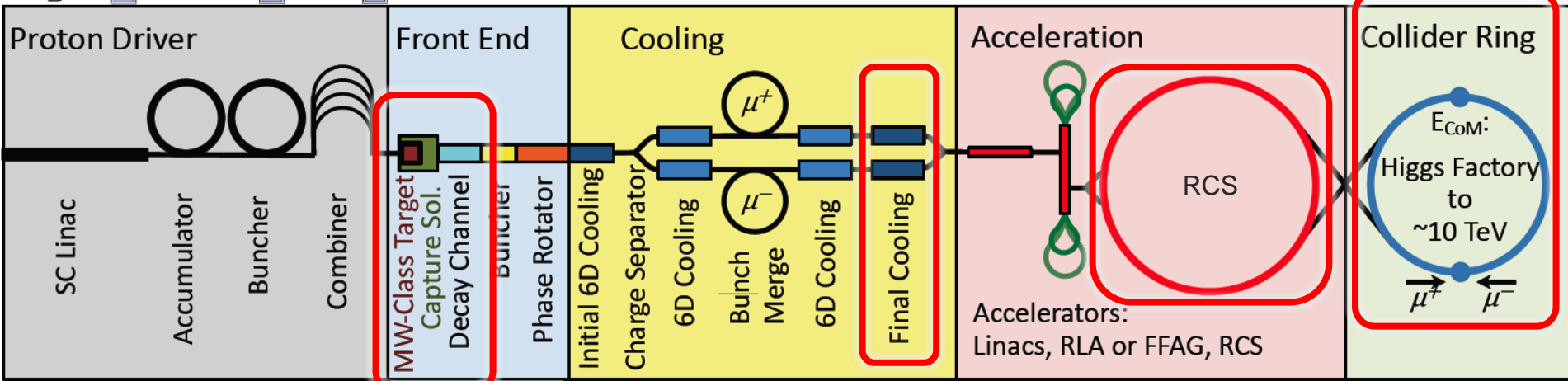
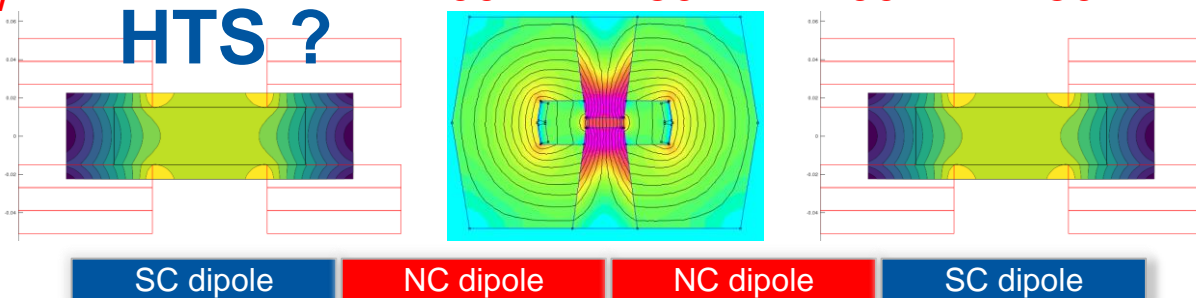
... accelerate muons...

# Muon Collider magnets

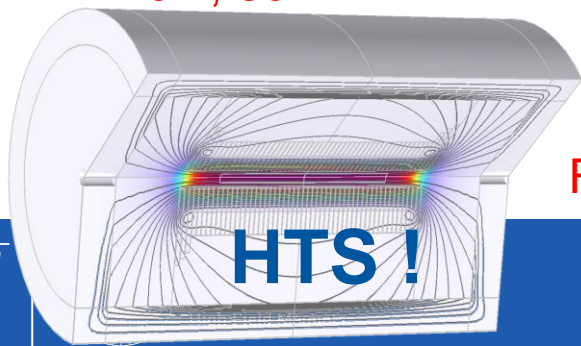
20 T, 200 mm **HTS!**  
 Radiation heat load  $\approx 5 \dots 10$  kW  
 Radiation dose: 80 MGy



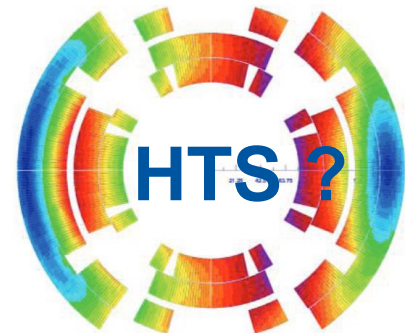
NC  $\pm 1.8$  T, 400 Hz      SC < 10T  
 100 mm x 30 mm      100 mm x 30 mm



> 40 T, 60 mm

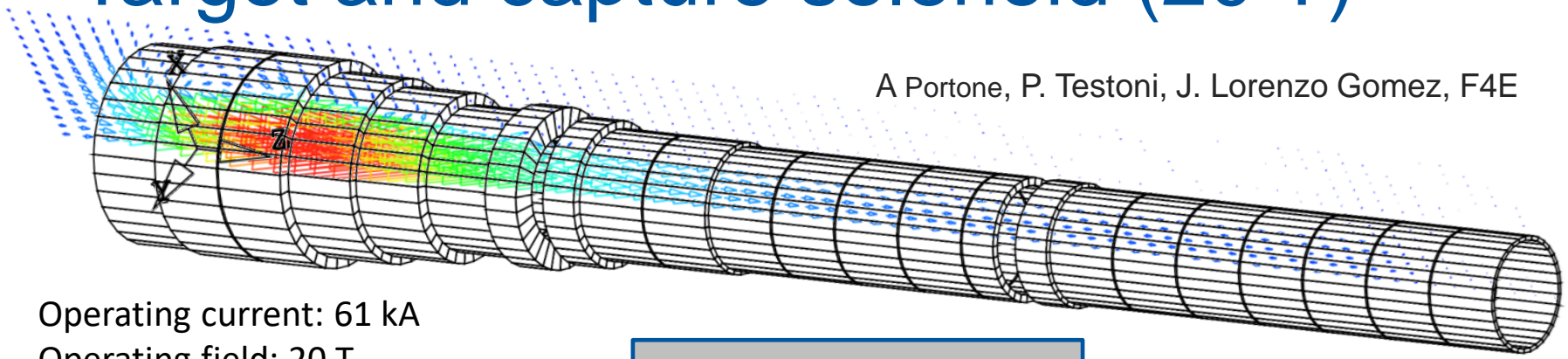


16 T peak, 150 mm  
 Radiation heat load  $\approx 5$  W/m  
 Radiation dose  $\approx 20 \dots 40$  MGy



# Target and capture solenoid (20 T)

A Portone, P. Testoni, J. Lorenzo Gomez, F4E



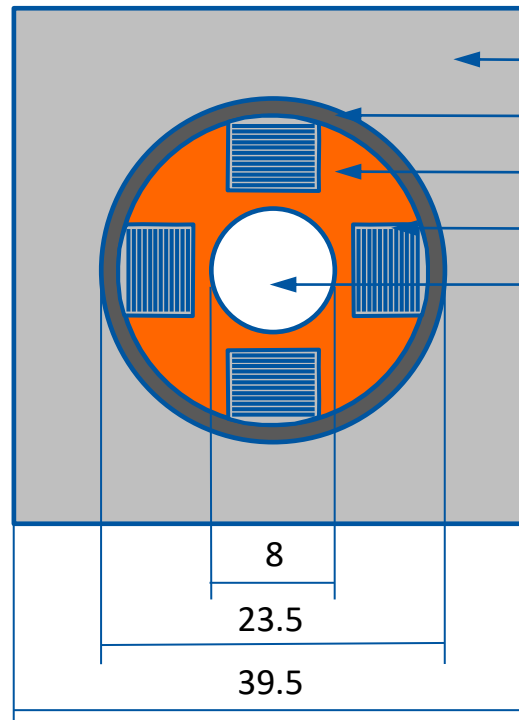
Operating current: 61 kA

Operating field: 20 T

Operating temperature: 20 K



MIT "VIPER" conductor



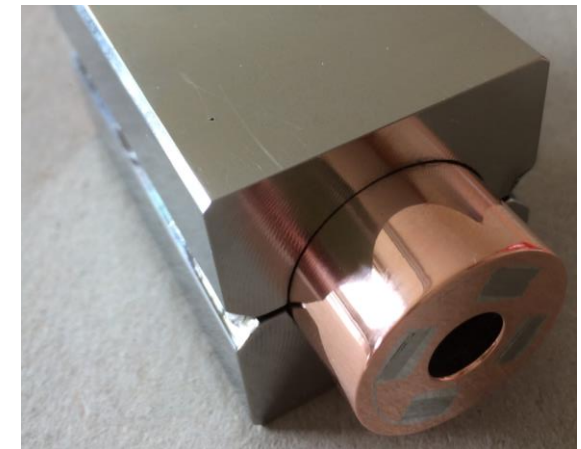
SS JACKET

SS WRAP

COPPER FORMER

SOLDERED HTS STACK

COOLING CHANNEL



M. Takayasu et al., IEEE TAS, 21 (2011) 2340

Z. S. Hartwig et al., SUST, 33 (2020) 11LT01

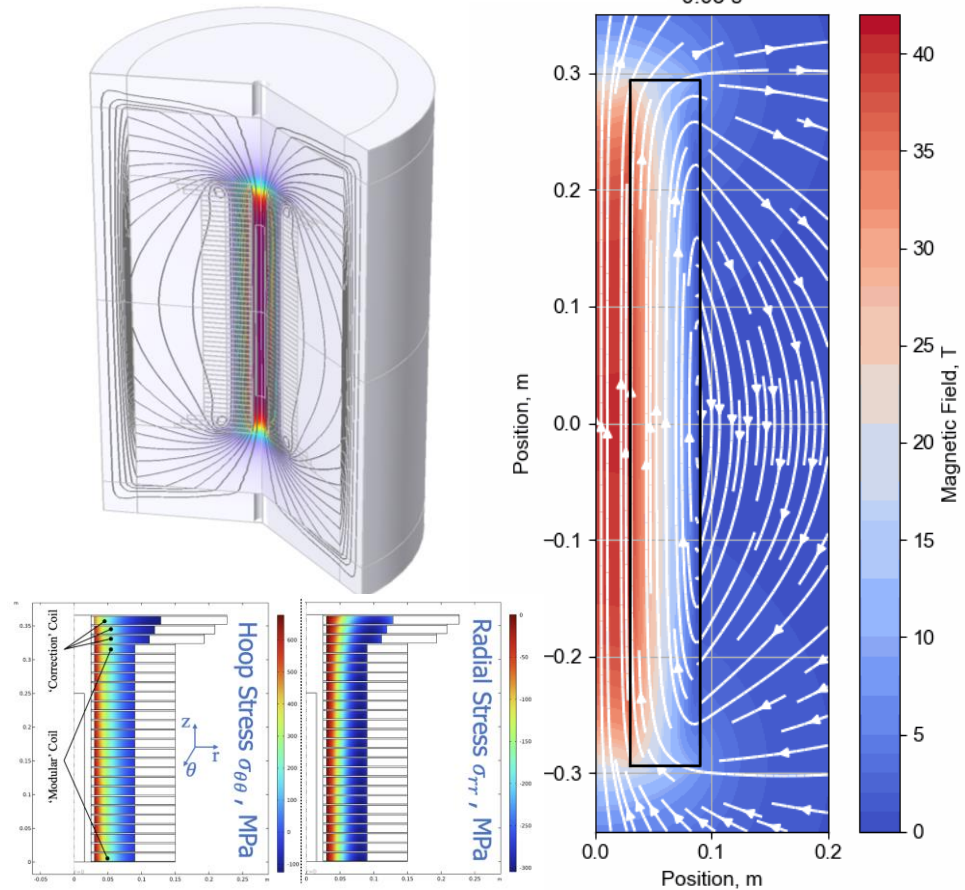
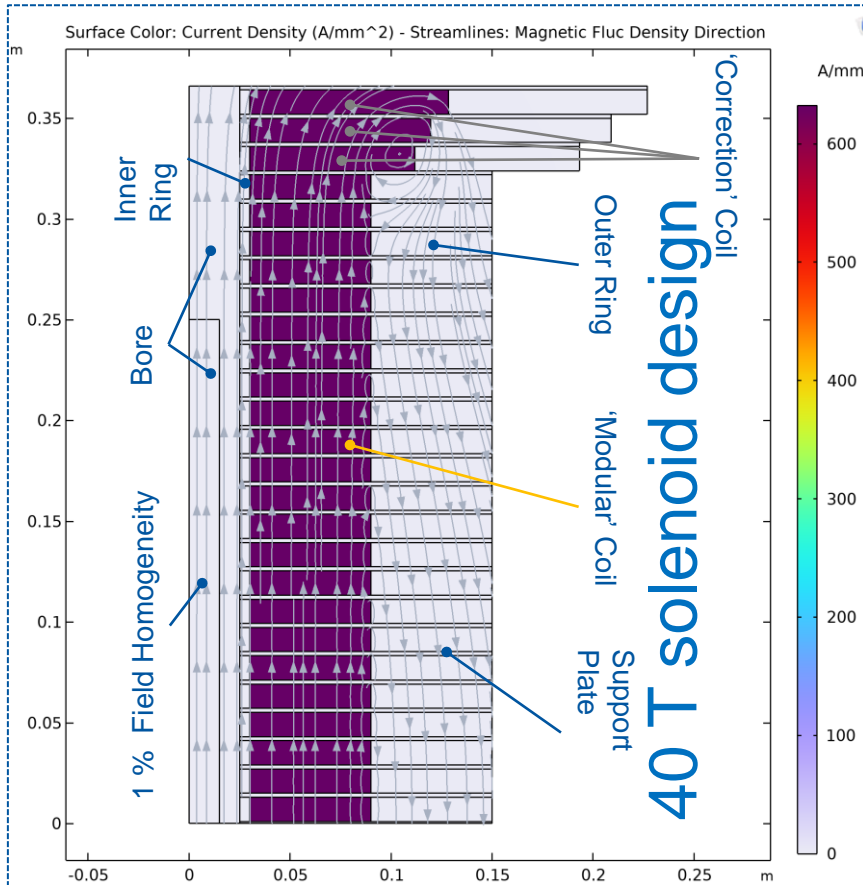
# Final cooling (40 T)

$$B_{\max} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_{\max} \cdot \mu_0}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = 600 \text{ MPa}$$

$$B_{\max} \approx 55 \text{ T}$$

A. Dudarev, CERN

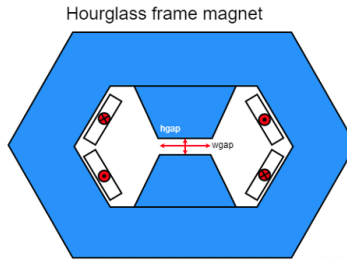


B. Bordini, CERN

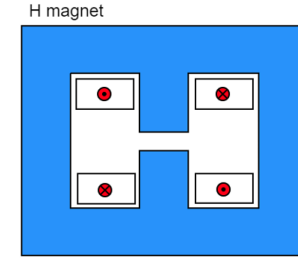
T. Mulder, CERN

# Accelerator magnets ( $\pm 1.8$ T)

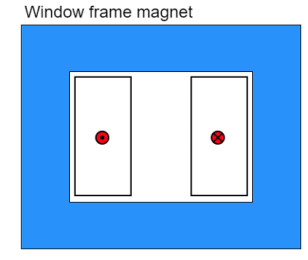
Warm dipoles are pulsed from  $-B_{max}$  to  $+B_{max}$  at high speed (0.35 to 6.37 ms) every 200 ms



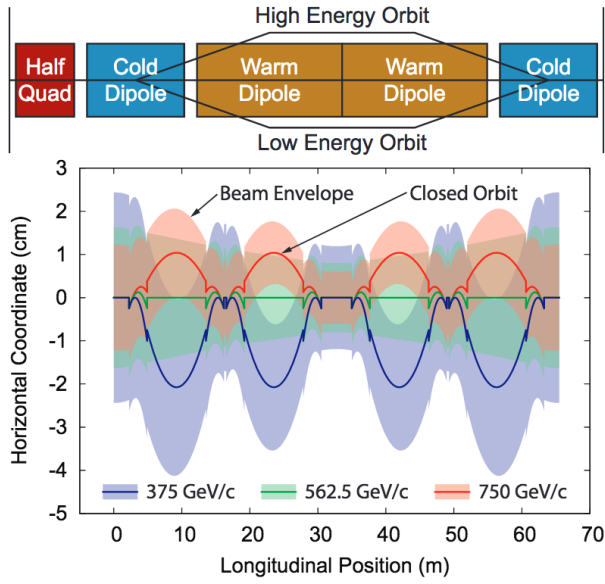
5.07 kJ/m



5.65...7.14 kJ/m



5.89 kJ/m

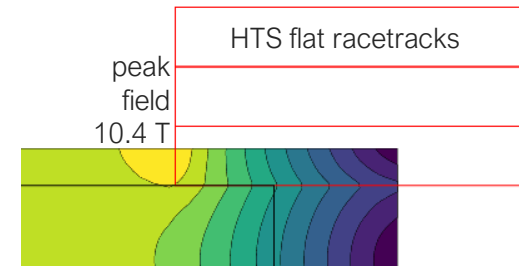


The main challenge is the management of the power in the resistive dipoles (**several tens of GW**):

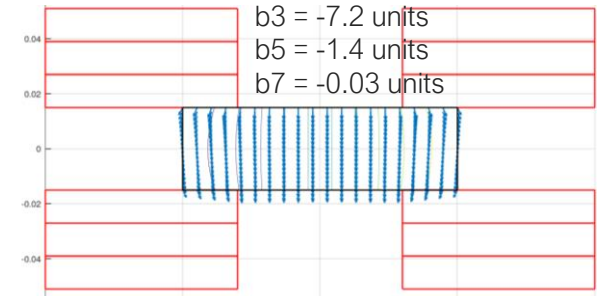
- Minimum stored magnetic energy
- Highly efficient energy storage and recovery

A **simple HTS racetrack dipole** could match the beam requirements and aperture

Cold dipoles provide a steady baseline field of about 10 T

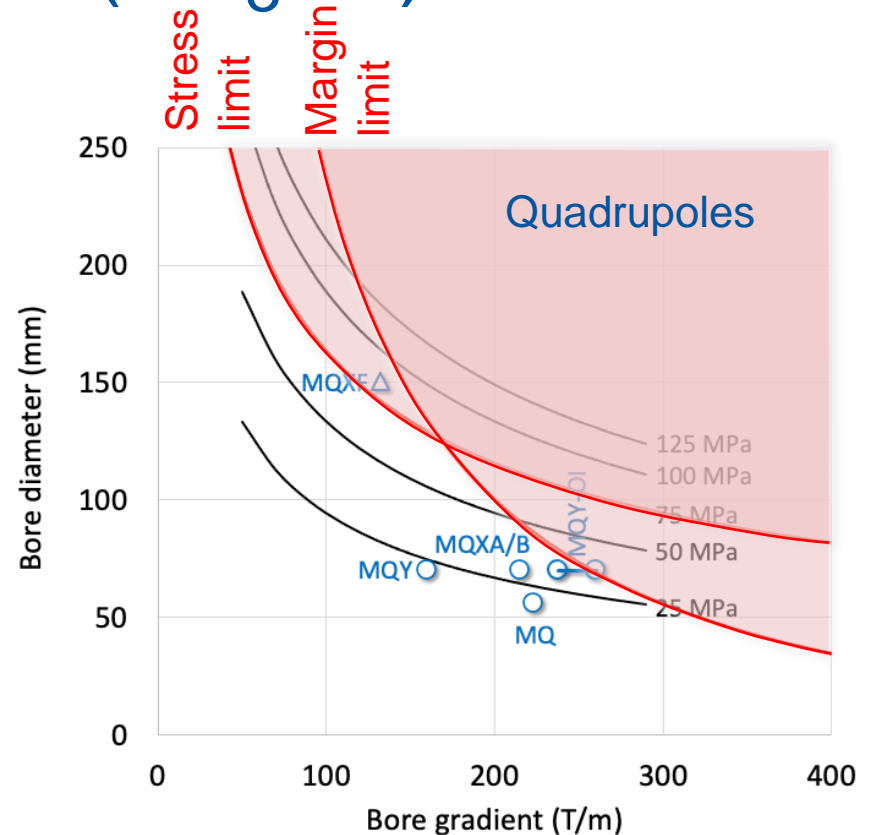
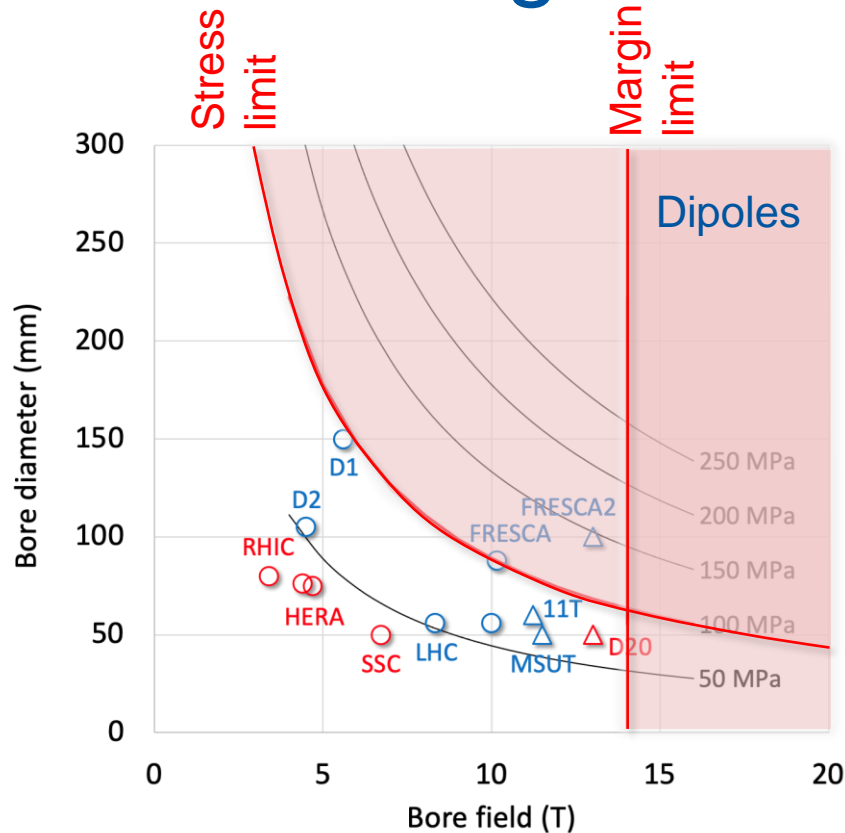


Rectangular magnet bore 100 mm x 30 mm





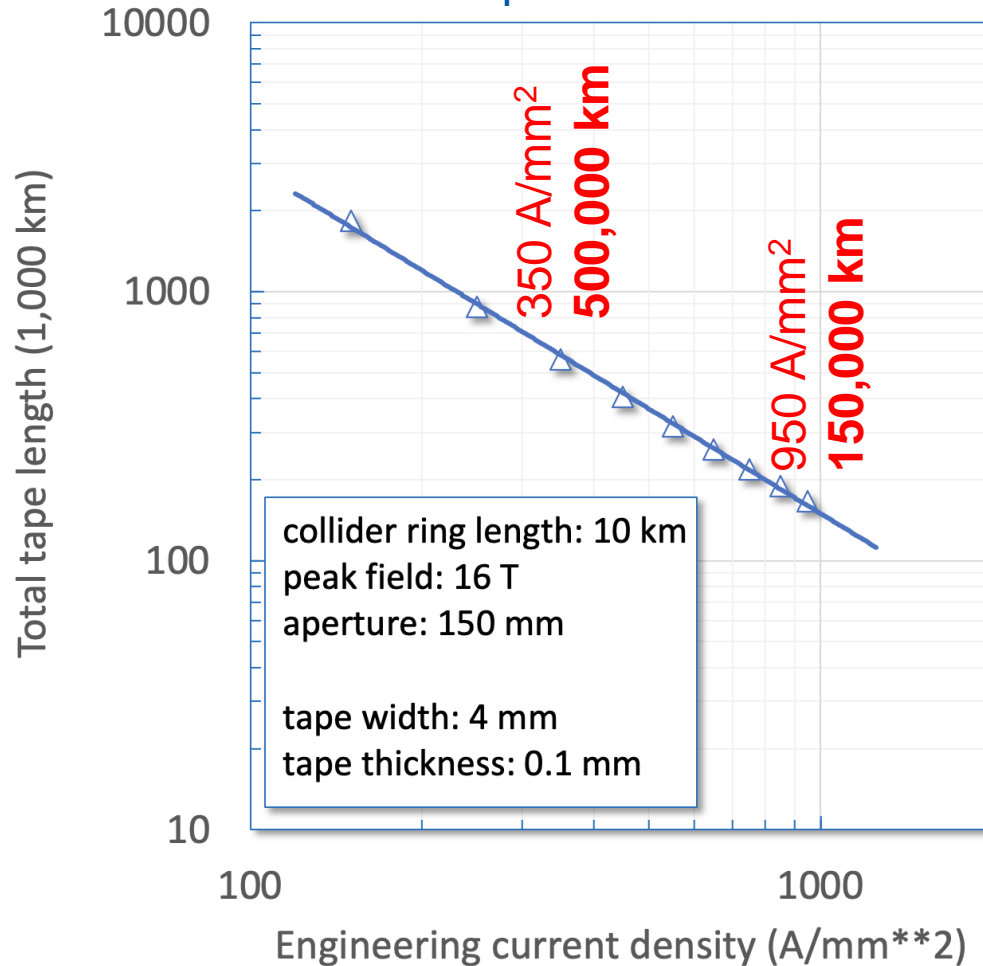
# Collider magnets limits ( $\text{Nb}_3\text{Sn}$ )



- Work in progress to provide analytical expression for the magnet design limits (including protection and cost)
  - Maximum field and gradient vs. magnet aperture in LTS and HTS
  - Combined function limits B+G and B/G
- **Proposal: take provisionally 9 T for NbTi and 14 T for  $\text{Nb}_3\text{Sn}$**

# Compact windings

Example of 16 T muon collider main dipole built with HTS



- We need to **increase the winding current density** to fall in a *reasonable* range of **conductor mass** (applies both to LTS and HTS)
- Unresolved issues:
  - Winding geometry for tapes and stacks (ends, alignment, transposition possibly superfluous ?)
  - Mechanics of coils under the exceptional electromagnetic loads (longitudinal stress in the range of 600 MPa, transverse stress in the range of 400 MPa)
  - Quench management at high current and energy density (above 100 MJ/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - Radiation hardness of materials and coils (40...80 MGy and 10<sup>22</sup> n/m<sup>2</sup>)

# The HEP push towards HTS

Reduce energy consumption  
(FCC-ee 350 MW, FCC-hh 580 MW)

Operate SC magnets at  
*higher* cryogenic  
temperature (gas)

Increase energy efficiency  
(COP at 1.9 K is about 1000)

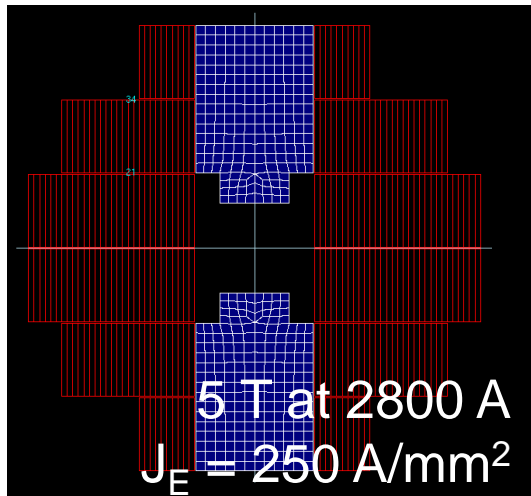
Risk with helium supply chain  
(FCC-hh would require 900 tons of IHe)

Avoid large liquid helium  
bath and operate with  
gas (lower density)

Infrastructure (magnet) cost  
(FCC-hh quoted at 9 BCHF)

Reduce SC cost per unit  
length and current

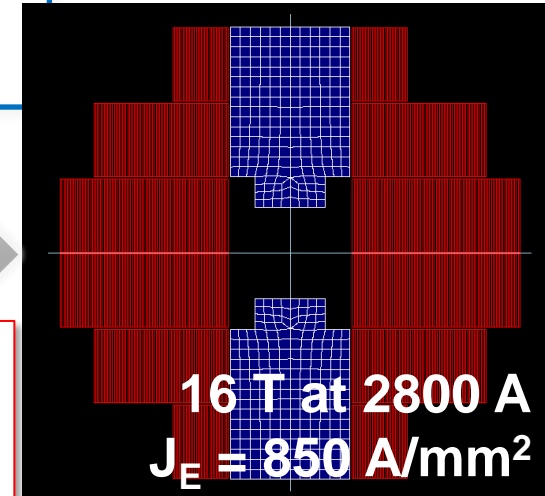
Increase coil current  
density to decrease  
conductor inventory



Calculation example  
(T. Lecomte, CEA)

**Compact HTS windings**

- **Target  $J_E$  1000 A/mm<sup>2</sup>**
- **Operation in gaseous He**
- **Range of 15...25 K**



# HTS for accelerators

		Specification	Target
Minimum $J_{\text{non-Cu}}$ (4.2 K, 20 T)	(A/mm <sup>2</sup> )	1500	3000
Minimum $J_{\text{non-Cu}}$ (20 K, 20 T)	(A/mm <sup>2</sup> )	600	1250
$\sigma(I_C)$	(%)	10	5
Minimum copper RRR	(-)		20
Minimum Unit Length (UL)	(m)	200	500
Minimum bending radius	(mm)	15	10
<b>Allowable <math>\sigma_{\text{longitudinal non-Cu}}</math></b>	<b>(MPa)</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>1000</b>
<b>Allowable compressive <math>\sigma_{\text{transverse}}</math></b>	<b>(MPa)</b>		<b>400</b>
<b>Allowable tensile <math>\sigma_{\text{transverse}}</math></b>	<b>(MPa)</b>		<b>25</b>
<b>Allowable shear <math>\tau_{\text{transverse}}</math></b>	<b>(MPa)</b>		<b>20</b>
Allowable peel $\sigma_{\text{peel}}$	(MPa)		TBD
Allowable cleavage $\sigma_{\text{cleavage}}$	(MPa)		TBD
<b>Range of allowable <math>\varepsilon_{\text{longitudinal}}</math></b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>-0.1...0.4</b>	<b>-0.1...+0.5</b>
<b>Internal specific resistance <math>\rho_{\text{transverse}}</math></b>	<b>(n<math>\Omega</math>/cm<sup>2</sup>)</b>		<b>20</b>

Width: 4...12 mm  
 Substrate (non-magnetic alloy): 40...60  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Copper stabilizer (total): 20...40  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Total tape thickness: 60...100  $\mu\text{m}$

