EIC Detector R&D

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Electron-Ion Collider (EIC)

Overview of the facility

The EIC is to be built at the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) incorporating the existing Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)



Uniqueness

World's first polarised electron, polarised proton/lightion collider

World's first polarised electron, heavy-ion collider

Overarching science questions

How does the mass and spin of the nucleon arise from its constituents? What are the emergent properties of dense systems of gluons?

US Project Overview

Total Project Cost = \$2.4B incl. contingency Covers approx. 90% of the accelerator and 66% of one detector (the project detector) Currently in R&D and prelim. design phase Start of construction expected 2025 Start of operations expected 2032

UK Project Overview

UKRI Infrastructure Preliminary Activity

EIC Detector R&D awarded £2.97m

Duration 2.5 years (Oct 2021 - Mar 2024)

Detector R&D work packages:

WP1 - MAPS: silicon tracking and vertex reconstruction in the central detector

 WP2 - Timepix: high-rate tracking of scattered electrons in the far-backward detector region
 WP3 - Polarimetry: developing <u>new</u> technology to measure recoil nucleon polarisation

Funded institutes:

Birmingham, Brunel, Glasgow, Lancaster, Liverpool, York, STFC/DL, STFC/RAL (TD and PPD)

Aims of this phase are/were:

- (i) Establish technical and scientific leadership in the EIC project detector collaboration (ePIC)
- (ii) Define the size and scope of the UK's contribution to detector construction

UKRI Full Infrastructure Project

Total request £58.8m, 100% FEC, incl. contingency

Duration 7+1.75 years (Jul 2025 - Mar 2034)

Contains 3 Detector WPs and 1 Accelerator WP

Detector WPs are: WP1 – Silicon Tracker WP2 – Electron Tagger WP3 – Luminosity Monitor (New)

Plan to pursue Polarimetry development via US EIC Generic R&D program

Peer Review and STFC prioritisation

Submitted to UKRI on 24th of July

Decision expected in Q1 2024

Proposal institutes:

Birmingham, Brunel, Glasgow, Lancaster, Liverpool, Oxford, York, STFC/DL, STFC/RAL (TD and PPD)



EIC Project Detector



- WP1 Silicon Tracker: Precision tracking and vertexing in the central detector
 65 nm stitched (wafer-scale) monolithic active pixel sensors; developed in partnership with CERN/ALICE-ITS3
 Deliverable: Build ~33% of central silicon tracker.
 Institutes: Birmingham, Brunel, Lancaster, Liverpool, Oxford, STFC RAL, STFC DL
- WP2 Electron Tagger: Precision tracking of low-Q² scattered electrons Low-Q² tagger using Timepix pixel sensors.
 - Deliverable: Build two tracking stations in the far backward region. Timepix4 is the baseline technology. Institutes: Glasgow, STFC DL and Lancaster (beam impedance studies)
- WP3 Luminosity Monitor: Bunch-by-bunch measurement of collision luminosity
 Design of the luminosity monitor comprising a pair spectrometer (PS) and photon detector (PD)
 Deliverables: Build the two calorimeters needed for the PS and half the modules needed for the PD Institutes: York
- WP4 Accelerator: Cavity design and cryomodule fabrication
 Cavity design and cryomodules for the Energy Recovery Linac that forms part of the hadron beam cooler
 Deliverables: Build two cryomodules for the ERL cooler
 Institutes: Lancaster and STFC DL



EIC Project – Schedule



Critical Decision (CD) Milestones CD-0 Approve Mission Need CD-1 Approve Cost Range CD-2 Approve Baseline Performance CD-3 Approve Start Construction CD-4A Approve Start of Operations CD-4 Approve Project Completion

Upcoming Project Milestones TDR - Q4 2024 CD2/3 review - Q1 2025 CD2/3 approval - Q2 2025 (April)



UK-EIC Detector R&D Project UK-EIC Detector Construction Project

Schedule shown by Project Director, Jim Yeck, at EIC RRB meeting 3-4 April

ePIC Silicon Vertex Tracker

Precision central tracking and vertexing

Approximately 8.5 m² detector

65 nm MAPS technology driven by physics requirements and validated with simulations

Developed in partnership with ALICE-ITS3

 Proposed ITS3 sensor meets EIC requirements; partnership minimises risk

ePIC will use same concept for vertex layers:

• ITS3 wafer-scale stitched sensors, thinned and bent around the beam pipe

Development needed for the barrel layers and disks:

- large area stitched sensor (not wafer scale), and "conventional" low-mass support structures
- Requires changes to the ITS3 sensor stitching plan and possibly some changes to the digital periphery; pixel matrix unchanged

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	ePIC SVT Requirements			
	Spatial Resolution	•	~ 5 μm	
	Power Consumption		~ 20 mW/cm ²	
	Frame Rate		≤ 2 μs	
	Material Budget	IB	0.05% X/X0	
		OB L3	0.25% X/X0	
		OB L4	0.55% X/X0	
		EE/HE	0.24% X/X0	
Inner Barrel (IB) 3 curved layers		Outer Barrel (OB 2 stave-based laye		







WP1 – MAPS – UK Technology Developments

Large area MAPS sensor

ALICE ITS3 and ePIC SVT first experiments to develop wafer-scale sensors for charged particle tracking

65 nm CMOS imaging technology: 300 mm wafers, stitching, low power

UK (RAL) involved in 65 nm development from the beginning with ITS3 and CERN EP R&D WP1.2



RAL IP Block - MLR (Q4 2020): LDVS receiver and CML transmitter

ER1 (Q4 2022) RAL contributed additional functional blocks for high-speed on-chip data transmission

Plus, redesigned digital libraries for DFM: Buffers, AND gates, NAND gates, inverters, Filler cells, Flipflops

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Lightweight support structures

Carbon fibre mechanical support with integrated cooling channels for evaporative cooling

ePIC SVT stave layout not yet defined; work not yet started in earnest

Ideas to move away from conventional flat stave geometry to achieve required stiffness with less material

Serial powering

Development of Shunt-LDO regulator in commercial CMOS imaging technology

Development of full serial powering architecture for MAPS tracker for low mass power distribution



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•ePIC CAD design with Timepix4 tracker



WP2 – Timepix

 Development of Timepix4 high-rate-trackers and readout for EIC applications

Research involving Glasgow Particle Physics and Nuclear Physics Groups (including Medipix collaboration) and NIHKEF

- S. Gardner, K. Livingston, D Manueski
- Development of TI-LGAD with Timepix

Research involving Glasgow Particle Physics and Nuclear Physics Groups (including Medipix collaboration)

Proposal to US EIC Generic R&D Program

Fabrication and characterisation of the *Trench Isolated Low Gain Avalanche Detectors* for 4D tracking

S. Gardner, D Manueski

G. Paternoster et al. "Trench-Isolated Low Gain Avalanche Diodes (TI-LGADs)". In: IEEE Electron Device Letters 41.6 (2020), pp. 884–887. doi:10.1109/LED.2020.2991351.



Machine-Detector Interface (MDI)

Research involving Glasgow Nuclear Physics and Lancaster Accelerator group on impedance modelling for EIC far-backward detectors

S. Gardner, D. Glazier, K. Livingston, R. Apsimon

Data processing technologies

Development of fast-tracking solutions with Graph Neural Networks

S. Gardner, D. Glazier, R Tyson



WP3 - Polarimetry / Luminosity Monitor

Polarimetry R&D (Preliminary Activity)

NMR technique: chemical hyperpolarization - transfer nuclear spin order from parahydrogen (pH₂) to substrate molecule via catalyst



Substrate polarisable at room temp with weak field

Maintain polarisation with pH_2 bubbling

Aiming to develop large volume, active, liquid polarised scattering media with several applications:

- 1. Detector to measure recoil nucleon polarisation
- 2. Explore suitability as polarised (frozen) target

Proposal to US EIC Generic R&D Program

Luminosity Monitor R&D (Full Project)

Design and fabrication of calorimeter modules for pair spectrometer and direct photon detector



- 1. R&D to optimise the W/SciFi ratio
- 2. Investigating ways to improve position resolution that eliminate the need for tracking planes

The x-y vs z shower profiles are expected to provide better constraints on the gravity of the shower

Develops out of AI/ML guided detector design and data analysis for high-rate photon luminosity monitoring and calorimetry

3. Exploration of new methods for linear photon polarisation determination in the GeV energy range



WP1 - MAPS (DRDT 3.1)

Work for the ePIC SVT brings expertise in a new, smaller technology node:

e.g., circuit blocks; stitching methodology for high yield in dense logic design; ...

WP1 – Mechanics and Cooling (DRDT 8.3/8.2)

Scope for collaboration and sharing of ideas / technologies:

e.g., low-mass structures, evaporative cooling and integration of cooling channels, additive manufacturing, fluid system connections, gas cooling

WP1 – Serial Powering (DRDT 7)

Development of serial powering scheme could add to the UK involvement in DRDT 7 projects

WP2 – Sensors for 4D tracking (DRDT 3.2)

Developing tracking systems with high-rate capability with Timepix4 and TI-LGADs



•WP2 - Fast tracking with Graph Neural Networks

DRDT 7.5 - Evaluate and adapt to emerging electronics and data processing technologies

WP3 – Active polarised scattering media

Polarisation measurement at future colliders?

•WP3 - AI/ML guided detector design & analysis

DRDT 7.2 - Develop technologies for increased intelligence on the detector

<u>Overarching synergy with UK Strategic R&D</u> towards low-material tracker for e+e-

ePIC SVT OB developed by the UK could be part of the low material tracker demonstrator programme

See discussion at https://indico.stfc.ac.uk/event/781/



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Backup – WP1 – MAPS

Vertex and Barrel Layers



Cylindrical Structural Shell Half Barrels BEEMINIPE BEEMINIPE ALICE-PUBLIC-2018-013 https://cds.cem.ch/record/2644611

ALICE-ITS3 development

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ePIC-SVT Vertex and Barrel Layers



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Vertex Layers

Wafer-scale, stitched sensors, thinned and bent around the beam pipe Use unmodified ITS3 sensors with bespoke support structure Air cooling

Barrel Layers Large-area, but not wafer-scale (yield consideration), stitched sensors Conventional, low-mass support structures Two-phase cooling



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Note: RSU size and dimensions taken from ITS3 Lol - not final

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Backup – ePIC Vertex Layers

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Backup – ITS3 Stitched Sensor

Updated sensor specifications



 Table 3.2: Design dimensions of the sensor dies and radial position.

LoI: RSU = $18.85 \times 30 \text{ mm}^2$, 9 RSUs per segment, active length = 270 mmER1: RSU = $14 \times 25.5 \text{ mm}^2$, 10 RSUs per segment, active length = 255 mmER2: RSU = $19.564 \times 21.666 \text{ mm}^2$, 12 RSUs per segment, active length = 260 mm

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