# Dark sector searches at the electron accelerator MESA.

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#### **Greetings from Mainz.**



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DarkMESA

#### Let's build MESA (1/7).



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#### Let's build MESA (2/7).





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#### Let's build MESA (4/7).



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#### Let's build MESA (5/7).





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Mainz Energy-recovering Superconducting Accelerator



Beam dump

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Injection linac

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#### The multi-purpose experiment MAGIX

- MAinz Gas Injection target eXperiment
- Using ERL mode of MESA with an energy of up to 105 MeV and a beam current of >1000 µA
- Luminosities of the order of 10<sup>35</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
- Rich physics program in nuclear, particle, and few-body physics
- One focus: dedicated dark photon searches





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Using EB mode of MESA with an energy of up to 155 MeV, a beam current of up to 150 µA, and a beam polarization of ~85%

DarkMESA

- Luminosities of the order of 10<sup>39</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
- Main focus: Measurement of the weak mixing angle with highest precision

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- Using P2 beam-dump as a source for hypothetical LDM particles
- Direct search for light dark matter (LDM) particles

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Injection linac

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#### MAGIX - A collaboration.



























DarkMESA.

### The DarkMESA concept.







#### **DarkMESA - detector stages.**





#### Phase C (range extension, different options)

Radiation protection glass

Time-projection-chamber (DarkMESA DRIFT)

Liquid scintillators (NuDoubt++)



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#### **DarkMESA - expected sensitivity.**







#### The basic idea of MAGIX.







### The MAGIX physics program.





#### The MAGIX setup.











### **Dark photon -** effective neutron target.







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### Summary













#### MESA

- New high-intensity, low-energy electron accelerator
- Two modes: energy-recovery linac mode and extracted beam mode
- Exciting experimental program

#### DarkMESA

 Beam-dump experiment directly looking for LDM particles

#### MAGIX

- High-resolution, two-spectrometer setup utilizing an internal gas jet target
- Varied and rich physics program,
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**Thanks for your attention!** 

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### The MAGIX gas jet target.







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#### The beam layout of MAGIX.



#### **DarkMESA** - detection threshold and neutron background studies.



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#### DarkMESA - expected sensitivity 2.

