REBCO Coatings for High-Gradient RF Applications

Sergio Calatroni, on behalf of the Collaboration.

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FCC integrated program

- **comprehensive long-term program maximizing physics opportunities**
- **stage 1: FCC-ee (Z, W, H,** tt**) as Higgs factory, electroweak & top factory at highest luminosities** ҧ
- **stage 2: FCC-hh (~100 TeV) as natural continuation at energy frontier, pp & AA collisions; e-h option**

FUTURE CIRCULAR COLLIDER

- highly synergetic and complementary programme boosting the physics reach of both colliders (e.g. model-independent measurements of the Higgs couplings at FCC-hh thanks to input from FCC-ee; and FCC-hh as "energy upgrade" of FCC-ee)
- common civil engineering and technical infrastructures, building on and reusing CERN's existing infrastructure
- FCC integrated project allows the start of a new, major facility at CERN within a few years of the end of HL-LHC

From M. Benedikt, FCC Study leader

HTS for the FCC-hh beam screen

- FCC-hh, a proposed 100 TeV p-p collider at CERN, with 16 T dipoles operated at 1.9 K
- A beam screen held at 50 K, to protect the dipoles from synchrotron radiation \sim 30 W/m/beam (LHC $<$ 0.2 W/m)
- HTS materials instead of copper in the FCC-hh beam screen, to improve beam stability (-> impedance) at 50 K
- Bunched particle beams produces RF fields, up to \sim 1 GHz
- **Extremely challenging requirements:**
	- o HTS must operate at 50 K and 16 T
	- o Critical fields \rm{Hc}_{2} , $\rm{H_{irr}} >> 16T$
	- $J_c > 25$ kA/cm² (2.5x10⁸ A/m²)
	- \circ Surface resistance R_s better than for copper
	- Compatible with accelerator environment
		- o Minimize dipole field distortion due to persistent currents
		- o UHV compatible, low SEY, lifecycle assessment, etc..

16 Tesla !

Calatroni, IEEE TAS 26, 3500204 (2016) Calatroni et al, SuST 30, 075002 (2017)

Two material choices

Manufacture the screen using REBCO tapes soldered to the screen

Coat the inside of the screen with Tl-1223 films

EASITrain

Validation of RF performance (UPC - ICMAB)

In house developed 8.05 GHz cavity resonator compatible with 25mm bore 9 T magnet at ICMAB

REBCO CCs outperform Cu at 50K and up to 9T R ^S is microstructure dependent

Puig et al, SuST 32, 094006 (2019)

Figure 3. Magnetic field dependence of the surface resistance at 8 GHz and 50 K. Up to 9 T, CCs' R, outperforms that of copper.

Surface currents equivalent to 0.1 MV/m of a typical accelerating cavity

HTS coated conductor soldering and delamination

N. Lamas et al., to be published

Developed in the context of FCC-hh impedance reduction by coating the beam screen with HTS tapes

Development of soldering technology

Sn / Pb / Cu / Bi & In temperatures < 220ºC

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\mathcal{F} \sim g_{AY}^4 \mathbf{Q} T_{sys}^{-2} V^2 G^4 m_A^2 \mathbf{B}^4
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\n\nIncrease Q
\ncopper coating & quality factor in a high
\nsuperconducting
\ncoating
\ncoating

First real cavity, $f \approx 9$ GHz

We have developed a technology for applying 2D HTS tapes to 3D RF "RADES" cavities demonstrating the potential of HTS for RF applications [J. Golm et al., IEEE TAS, Vol. 32, No. 4, \(2022\) 1500605](https://doi.org/10.1109/TASC.2022.3147741)

RADES cavity for axion searches

Magnetic field B (T)

Other results from CAPP

 $CERN$

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18TH PATRAS WORKSHOP

CINFN (1bS)

From: D. Ahn, CAPP. More info at [Patras Workshop](https://agenda.infn.it/event/34455/)

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The European Strategy for Particle Physics High-priority future initiatives

FCC-ee

CLIC, etc.

ILC

A. An electron-positron Higgs factory is the highest-priority next collider. For the longer term, the European particle physics community has the ambition to operate a proton-proton collider at the highest achievable energy. Accomplishing these compelling goals will require innovation and cutting-edge technology:

. the particle physics community should ramp up its R&D effort focused on advanced accelerator technologies, in particular that for high-field superconducting magnets, including high-temperature superconductors;

. Europe, together with its international partners, should investigate the technical and financial feasibility of a future hadron collider at CERN with a centre-of-mass energy of at least 100 TeV and with an electron-positron Higgs and electroweak factory as a possible first stage. Such a feasibility study of the colliders and related infrastructure should be established as a global endeavour and be completed on the timescale of the next Strategy update.

The timely realisation of the electron-positron International Linear Collider (ILC) in Japan would be compatible with this strategy and, in that case, the European particle physics community would wish to collaborate.

Innovative accelerator technology underpins the physics reach of high-energy **B.** and high-intensity colliders. It is also a powerful driver for many accelerator-based fields of science and industry. The technologies under consideration include high-field magnets, high-temperature superconductors, plasma wakefield acceleration and other high-gradient accelerating structures, bright muon beams, energy recovery linacs. The European particle physics community must intensify accelerator R&D and sustain it with adequate resources. A roadmap should prioritise the technology, taking into account synergies with international partners and other communities such as photon and neutron sources, fusion energy and industry. Deliverables for this decade should be defined in a timely fashion and coordinated among CERN and national laboratories and institutes.

The Compact Linear Collider (CLIC)

Accelerating structure prototype for CLIC: 12 GHz (L~25 cm)

The CLIC accelerator studies are mature:

- Optimised design for cost and power
- Many tests in CTF3, FELs, light-sources and test-stands
- Technical developments of "all" key elements

From: Steinar Stapnes

- **Timeline:** Electron-positron linear collider at CERN for the era beyond HL-LHC
- **Compact:** Novel and unique two-beam accelerating technique with highgradient room temperature RF cavities (~20'500 structures at 380 GeV), ~11km in its initial phase
- **Expandable:** Staged programme with collision energies from 380 GeV (Higgs/top) up to 3 TeV (Energy Frontier)
- CDR in 2012 with focus on 3 TeV. Updated project overview documents in 2018 (Project Implementation Plan) with focus 380 GeV for Higgs and top.

The ILC250 accelerator facility

Recent talks: [eeFACT-I1](https://agenda.infn.it/event/21199/contributions/168888/attachments/96229/132492/ILC_AFG_v1.pdf) and [eeFACTI2](https://agenda.infn.it/event/21199/contributions/178820/attachments/96634/133146/eeFACT_ILC-Power_List_220916.pptx)

Power and energy: LHC and future machines

From: Steinar Stapnes

Linear collider studies predict roughly similar power consumption for equivalent machines (ILC vs CLIC)

How can SC and NC have the same power consumption?

• Linear collider RF systems fall in two categories

SC niobium, $Q_0 \approx 10^{10}$, 35 MV/m, CW

NC copper, Q_{0} ≈10⁴, 100 MV/m, pulsed

- Despite the \sim 10⁶ difference in quality factor (\sim 10³ considering cryo efficiency), pulsing at low duty factor allows reducing the average consumption for NC accelerating structures down to the SC level – which cannot be effectively be pulsed
- In our study, we want ultimately to verify whether HTS in pulsed RF mode allows a further power gain compared to both Nb and Cu

Cryo-cooled copper -> HTS ?

New kid on the blocks: the C3 study @ SLAC is based on cryogenically cooled copper, to increase gradient and save on RF power

A potential advantage could come from combining the advantage of higher gradients at lower temperatures, with the higher Q factor of HTS coatings -> **energy efficiency**

Cryoplant efficiency (Carnot + engineering)

Thanks to T. Koettig, CERN

E. Nanni et al., [PRAB 24, 093201 \(2021\)](https://journals.aps.org/prab/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.24.093201)

A factor x10 improvement in Q factor compared to copper could pave the way for energy savings

Low-power measurements

An improvement larger than $x10$ compared to copper (Rs=8m Ω) has been measured on samples of tapes (8 GHz) at low RF power

Adapted from Romanov et al, [Sci. Rep. \(2020\) 10:12325](https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-020-69004-z)

Testing at higher RF power

HTS coated conductors at 8 GHz (dielectric resonator) and 50 K

Patrick Krkotic, PhD dissertation, UPC Barcelona 2022

There are very few measurements on HTS at high RF currents (mostly microstrip resonators). But physics is proven.

 \sim 10¹¹ A/m² RF current (microstrip resonator, 200 µm, 350 nm thick, 8 GHz)

Powell et al. [Journal of Applied Physics 86, 2137 \(1999\)](https://aip.scitation.org/doi/10.1063/1.371021)

For 1 µm thickness this is equivalent to 10^5 A/m (\approx 0.1 T \approx 25 MV/m) Entering the "high-gradient" range

High-gradient testing at SLAC – supported by I.FAST IIF

- "Mushroom" cavity. Can achieve H_{peak} of about 360 mT 2.9x10⁵ A/m (equivalent to ~80 MV/m in a standard accelerating cavity) using 50 MW XL-4 Klystron at 11.4 GHz.
- Zero E-field on the sample
- Maximum H-field on the sample
- Sample accounts for ⅓ of total cavity loss

Goal: demonstrate high-gradient pulsed operation of HTS, at cryo-temperatures

First results at SLAC, at low gradient

Two HTS measurements, after calibration measurements with Cu and Nb

Directly grown REBCO on MgO on copper (CERACO)

Preliminary SLAC results at high-gradient

From: Mitch Schneider

Preliminary SLAC results at high-gradient: different temperatures

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Preliminary SLAC results at high-gradient: different powers

First device validation – supported by I.FAST Innovation Fund

- Next goals: develop large-size tapes (50 mm wide) in collaboration with KCT, to be first tested on discs at SLAC. Two-years plan funded by IIF
- (Ideally: REBCO coating directly on 3D objects)
- Device validation: X-band pulse compressor (SLAC) as first "real" RF device

• Coating will be performed by CSIC-ICMAB

Axion cavity as earlier demonstrator

- Approach being validated also for axion detection cavities in RADES collaboration having a similar geometry
- Copper body manufactured at Mainz University, adapted to 12 mm wide coated conductors, coated by CSIC-ICMAB

Work plan from 4/2023 to 4/2025

Industrial application prospect

- At the end of this study, we aim at consolidating TRL4.
- Prototype pulse compressor with SLAC will demonstrate TRL6.
	- Timescale: 2-3 years after completion of this study
	- Need a further round of funding
	- This will include the design, fabrication and coating, and its validation in a high-power RF bench test bench.
- Future accelerator projects will drive achieving further TRLs and drive commercialization.
	- Industry will be involved for construction of devices
	- Other companies may be involved for hardware manufacturing

Addressing the European Green Deal

➢ New-generation collider linacs are expected to use hundreds of MW of electricity

➢Energy savings from HTS are in line with current policies of societal impact minimization

Resources and budget

• CERN:

- Provided resources: two senior physicist (scientific coordination, 0.2 FTE) and one senior Fellow (follow up, measurements, 0.5 FTE)
- Requested resources: 10 kEUR (sample manufacturing)
- KCT:
	- Provided resources: one senior scientist (design, procurement, coating, 1 FTE)
	- Requested resources: 100 kEUR (80 kEUR manpower for coating operations, 20 kEUR sample holder manufacturing)
- CSIC-ICMAB:
	- Provided resources: one senior scientist (0.2 FTE), and one PhD student (0.5 FTE)
	- Requested resources: 50 kEUR (40 kEUR PhD student and manpower for coating and characterization work, 10 kEUR consumable)

Ratio for the requested IIF funds: 120 kEUR personnel and labour / 40 kEUR material

• Final deliverable is a report on the demonstrated achieved performance, and on the prospects for scalability to accelerator-scale RF devices.

Budget table

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Muon collider

• Muon cooling system requires RF cavities operating at high-gradient AND in a strong magnetic field.

- Normal conducting copper, possibly cryo: baseline option
- Superconducting: High-Temperature Superconductors (HTS) ?

Possible practical implementation of HTS tape-coated cavities

• How could a future cavity look like? Bimetallic cavities

Joints at low-current regions are standard practice even in SRF cavities (ie QWRs) Segmentation at zero-current region is possible, see device being designed at SLAC

- No data exist for HTS at high-gradient (either samples or cavities): experiments needed
- Fabrication technologies for real cavities must be developed: wider soldered tapes (iFAST collaboration "HIGHEST"), and perhaps eventually develop a direct HTS coating technique on copper
- Overall energy efficiency would have to be studied, considering: operating temperature, cryo-efficiency, possible Q-factor, pulsed operation

REBCO scaled to 1 GHz at 50 K

Romanov et al, SciRep 10:12325 (2020)

For HTS Rs scales as f^2 For Cu Rs scales as $f^{1/2}$

A parallel-plate resonator is being commissioned to test samples at ~1 GHz

GHz

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CommSensLak

Will demonstrate real experimental frequency scaling on samples

Surface impedance: the key

 τ Risetime of beam instabilities

$\frac{1}{\tau} \propto -\text{Im} \Delta \omega \propto \frac{I_b M_c}{EL} \text{Re}(Z_T)$	$\text{Re}(Z_T) \Rightarrow \frac{R c}{\pi b^3 f} R_s = \frac{R c}{\pi b^3 f} (\rho \mu_b \pi f)$
Z_T Transverse impedance (property of the beam)	
R_s Surface resistance (property of the surface)	
τ : instabilities rise-time	
$\Delta \omega$: betaton tune-shift	
I_c : bunch current	
U_c : bunch current	
U_c : bunch current	
H_c : bunch length	
R : acceleration radius	
C : speed of light	
H : vacuum chamber radius	
C : speed of light	
H : vacuum chamber radius	
G : speed of light	
H : the total velocity	

New kid on the blocks: the C3 study @ SLAC

[More info here](https://indico.classe.cornell.edu/event/2283/overview)

8 km footprint for 250/550 GeV CoM \Rightarrow 70/120 MeV/m

Large portions of accelerator complex compatible between LC technologies

- Beam delivery / IP modified from ILC (1.5 km for 550 GeV CoM), compatible w/ ILC-like detector
- Damping rings and injectors to be optimized with CLIC as baseline
- Cryogenically cooled 77 K (liquid nitrogen)

C³ Parameters

C³ - 8 km Footprint for 250/550 GeV (to scale) 275 Gel **Raiqueter** (Rakguster) Reliqueter 1.5 km Trains repeat at 120 Hz ir Separatio
Unit $--- 10 GeV$ **Pulse Format** 3 GeV RF envelope BC₁ 133 1 nC bunches spaced by 700 ns 3 GeV 30 RF periods (5.25 ns) 3 GeV circumference (900 m)

Cooling allows for increase in accelerating gradient, and savings in RF power infrastructure

From: Emilio Nanni

Flux pinnining

• Typical SRF accelerator cavities are made of niobium

Strong magnetic shielding needed Limited or no magnetic shielding

- Effect of external magnetic field on SRF accelerating cavities is mostly due to flux pinning, weak pinning in bulk Nb and strong in Nb/Cu
- Earth magnetic field should not be an issue for HTS (to be verified)

Fig. 4.1. Temperature dependence at 19 GHz (left part) of the surface resistance a \varnothing 2" laser-ablated film (diamonds, "L49", [23]) and a \varnothing 1" DC-sputtered film (circles, "S145", [24]). The right part displays the field dependences $R_s(B_s)$ of both films at the temperatures indicated by arrows in the left part. Filled (open) symbols refer to the laser-ablated (sputtered) films.

- 23. T. Kaiser: Dissertation, University of Wuppertal, Report WUB-DIS 98-13 $(1998).$
- 24. T. Bollmeier, W. Biegel, B. Schey, B. Stritzker, W. Diete, T. Kaiser, G. Müller:

Fig. 4.31. Anomalous microwave field dependences $R_s(B_s)$ at 19 GHz for the two DC-sputtered films S178 (T = 77 K, circles) and S373 (T = 4.2 K (squares), 30 K $(triangles)$ and 50 K $(diamond)$ [23].

From: M. Hein, "High-Temperature-Superconductor Thin Films at Microwave Frequencies" (Springer Tracts in Modern Physics, 155)

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Zoo of superconductors

 J_c may vary of orders of magnitude. H_{c2} has much smaller variation.

YBCO most promising candidate

NbTi – NbTiN possible candidates at B < 10T

 $Nb₃$ Sn for B < 15 T

<https://nationalmaglab.org/magnet-development/applied-superconductivity-center/plots>

Zoo of superconductors

Pinning force

<https://nationalmaglab.org/magnet-development/applied-superconductivity-center/plots>

Effect of magnetic field: fluxon losses in RF

Surface resistance, reactance due to vortex motion

Case $f < f_o$

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R_{f} = \frac{\rho_{n}}{2\lambda} \frac{B_{o}}{B_{c2}} \frac{f^{2}}{f_{0}^{2}} \qquad B_{0} \Box B_{c2}
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R_{f} = \frac{R_{n}}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{B_{o}}{B_{c2}} \left(\frac{f}{f_{0}}\right)^{3/2}} \qquad B_{0} \Box B_{c2}
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f_o(B_o) = \frac{\omega_o(B_o)}{2\pi} = \frac{\rho_n \sqrt{B_o} J_c(B_o)}{\sqrt{\varphi_o} B_{c2}}
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 $\frac{B_{o}}{B_{o}} = \frac{\rho_{n} \sqrt{B_{o} J_{c}(B_{o})}}{B_{o}}$ To maximize f₀ and minimize fluxon $\left|B_{c2}\right\rangle$ **c** losses we need high $\mathsf{J_c}$ materials

Predicted surface resistance of HTS in 16 T field

Cryogenic losses: SRF aimed at energy saving compared to NRF

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