

# Forward Physics Facility @ LHC: experiment design and impact on infrastructure

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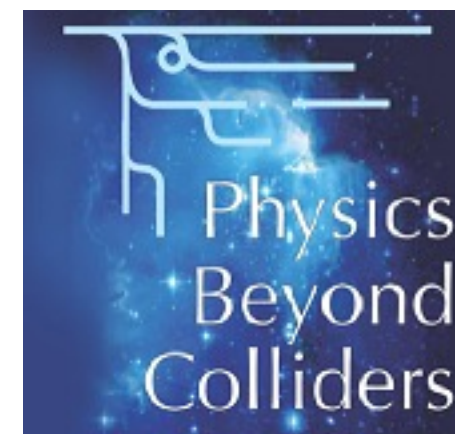
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# FPF 7th workshop

- FPF7 workshop held at CERN Feb 29 – Mar 1:
  - <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1358966/timetable/?view=standard>
  - 135 people registered, ~50 in person at CERN
- Broad programme covering facility, experiments, physics, and funding/collaboration topics
- Lots of progress in many areas shown
- This talk is a summary of the technical progress shown in the workshop, covering:
  - Civil engineering, integration and the experiment design (including infrastructure requirements)



Reminder: site investigation (single core sample drilled) done: March/April 2023

# Forward Physics Facility Site Investigation Works



➤ Drilling machine in place



➤ Works started



➤ Core samples

# Site Investigation Works

## Results and Recommendations

### Results

- Ground found mostly competent for tunnelling purposes
- Signs of hydrocarbons were found in the soft sandstone at depths between 84m and 90m
- Foundations of the surface buildings will sit within competent moraine
- No water table has been identified. Overall the ground is not very permeable.
- Vertical swelling test carried out showed a high swelling potential.
- Slight exceedance shown of fluoride levels in the existing backfill material.

**Summary: Ground conditions are favourable, with some attention needed to hydrocarbons, fluoride and swelling**

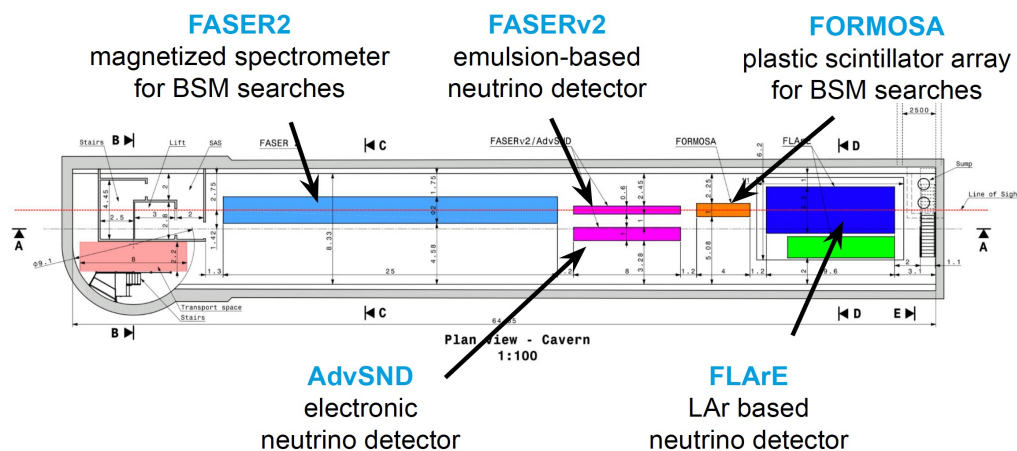
### Recommendations

- Excavation material contaminated with liquid hydrocarbons will require specific spoil management
- Underground tunnels and works in contact with soils contaminated with hydrocarbons will require specialised waterproofing membrane
- Swelling pressures to be considered during the design of the final lining
- Existing backfill material will need to be disposed of at appropriate facilities

Based on site investigation findings, and other factors (inflation) an updated cost estimate for the facility was produced, and validated by an external experts. This led to the estimated cost of 30MCHF for the CE works (was 25MCHF).

# Evolution of facility

- Original facility layout based on rough sketches of the proposed experiments. Allocated space mostly for fiducial volume for physics.

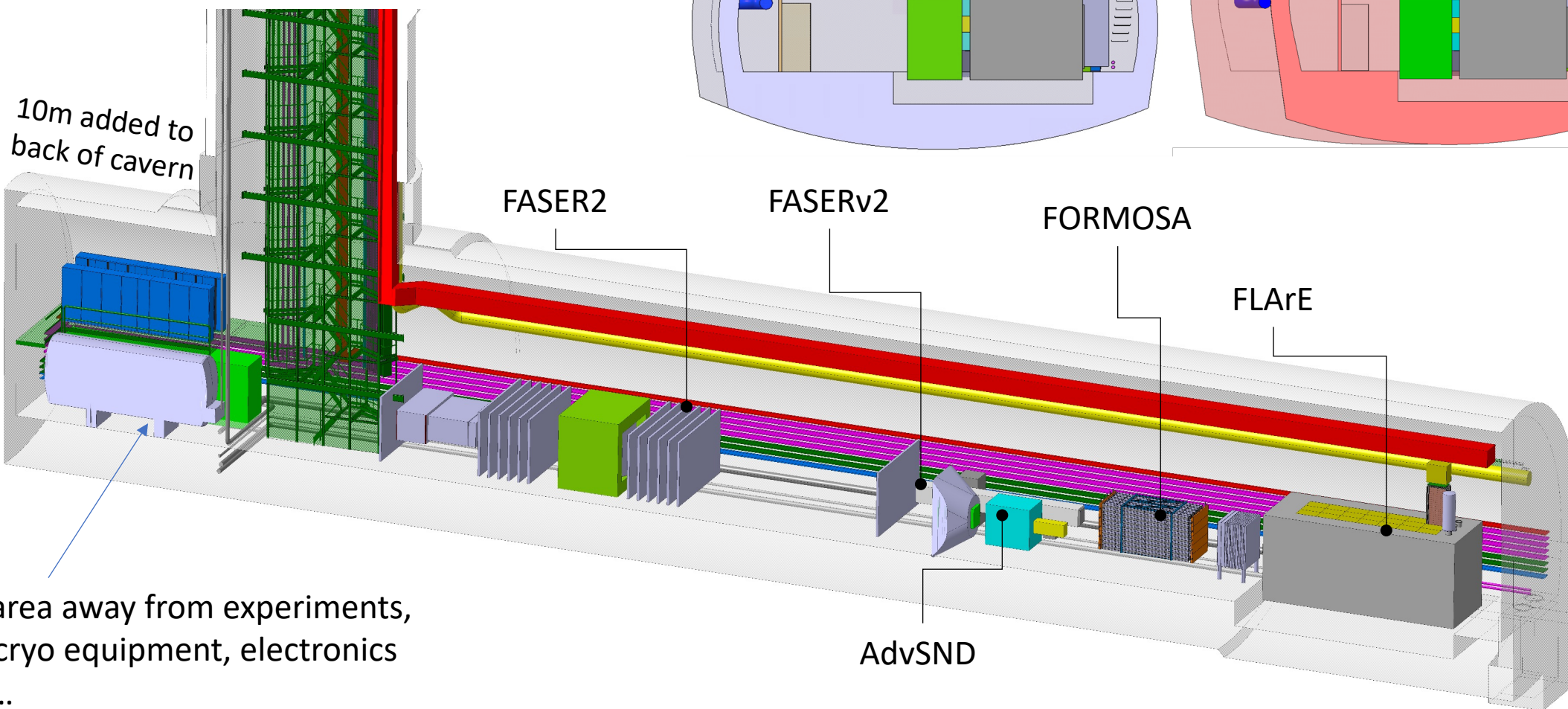
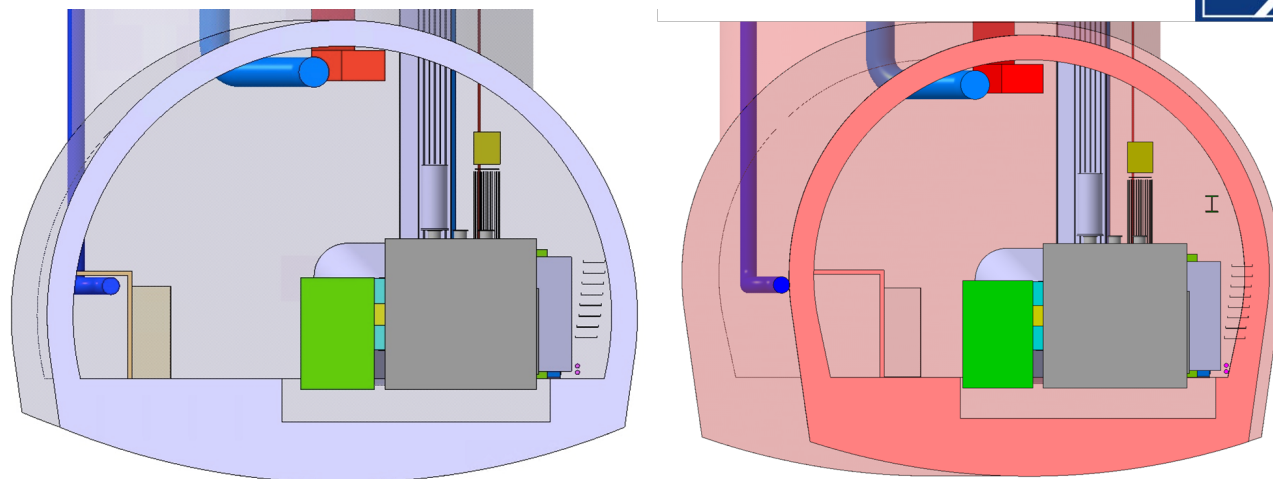


- Over the last 9 months started a more rigorous integration effort, including:
  - CAD models of detectors, including support structures etc..
  - Include main infrastructure (cryogenics, electronics racks, cable trays, piping)
- Quickly became clear that this will not all fit in original cavern layout
- Discussed with civil engineering experts the most affordable options for creating more space
- Based on this have come up with a new baseline:
  - 10m longer, 1m increase in radius
  - CE estimate that this is ~10% more expensive

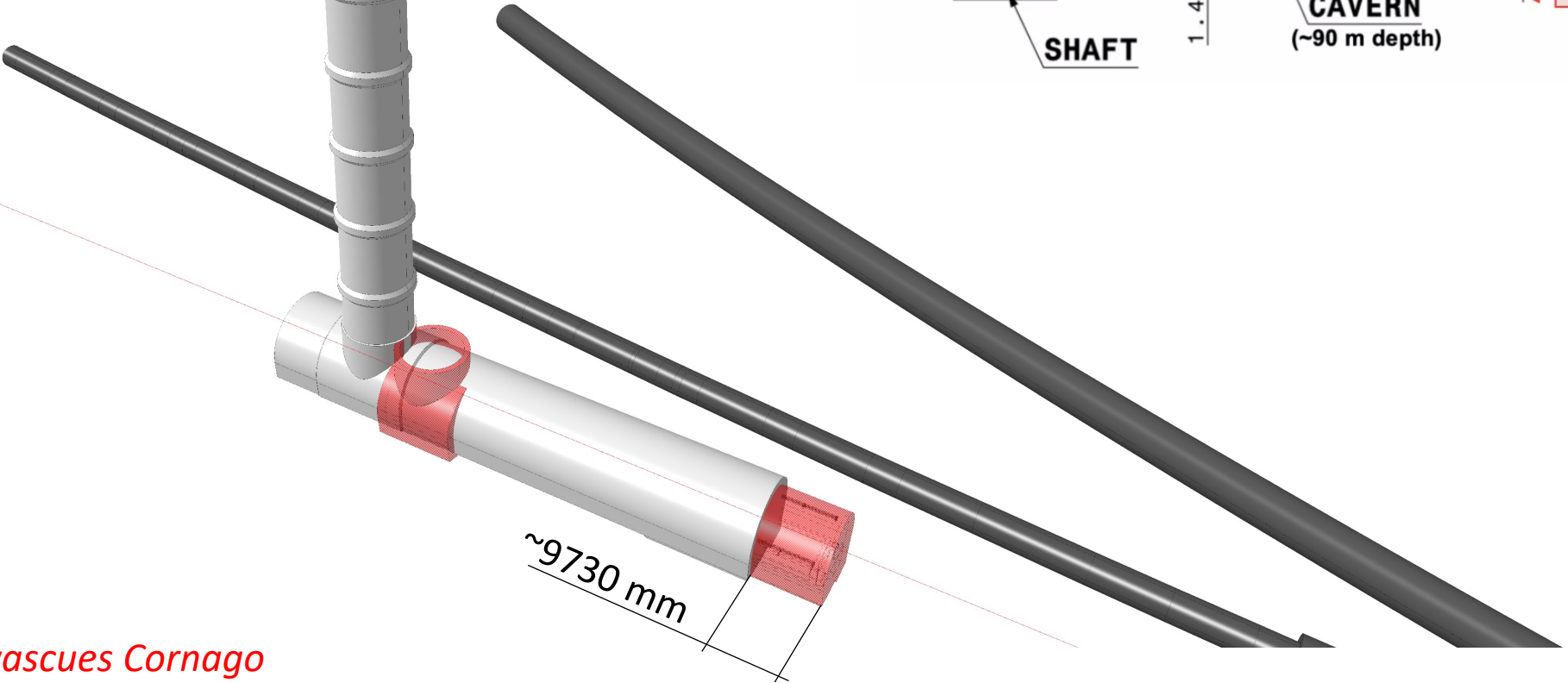
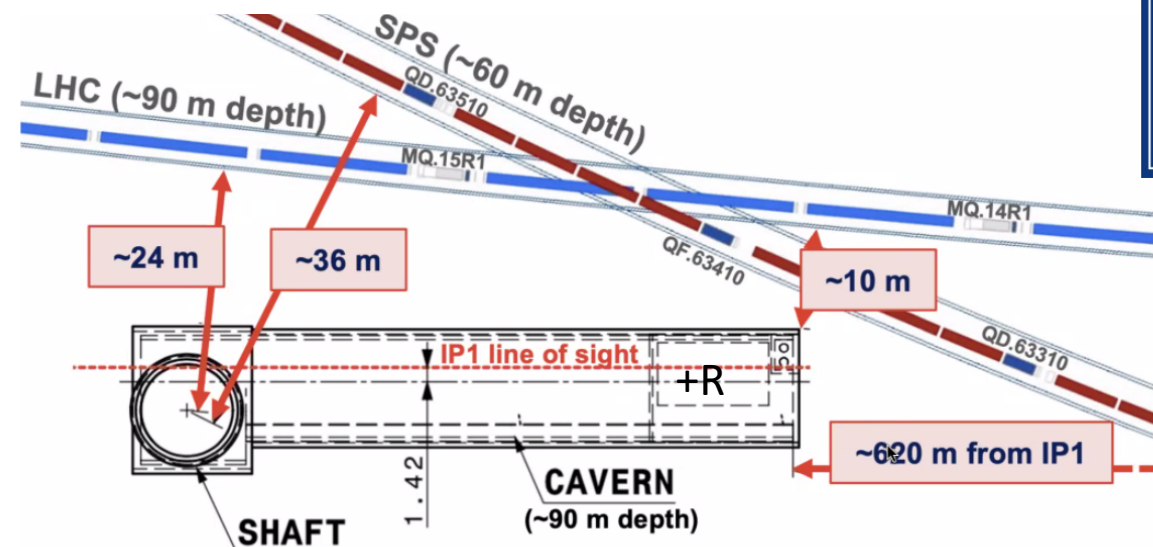
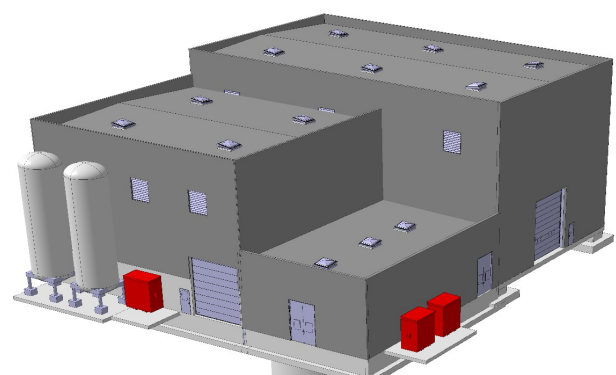
# Evolution of facility

Added 10m in length, and increased transverse radius by 1m

Transverse view

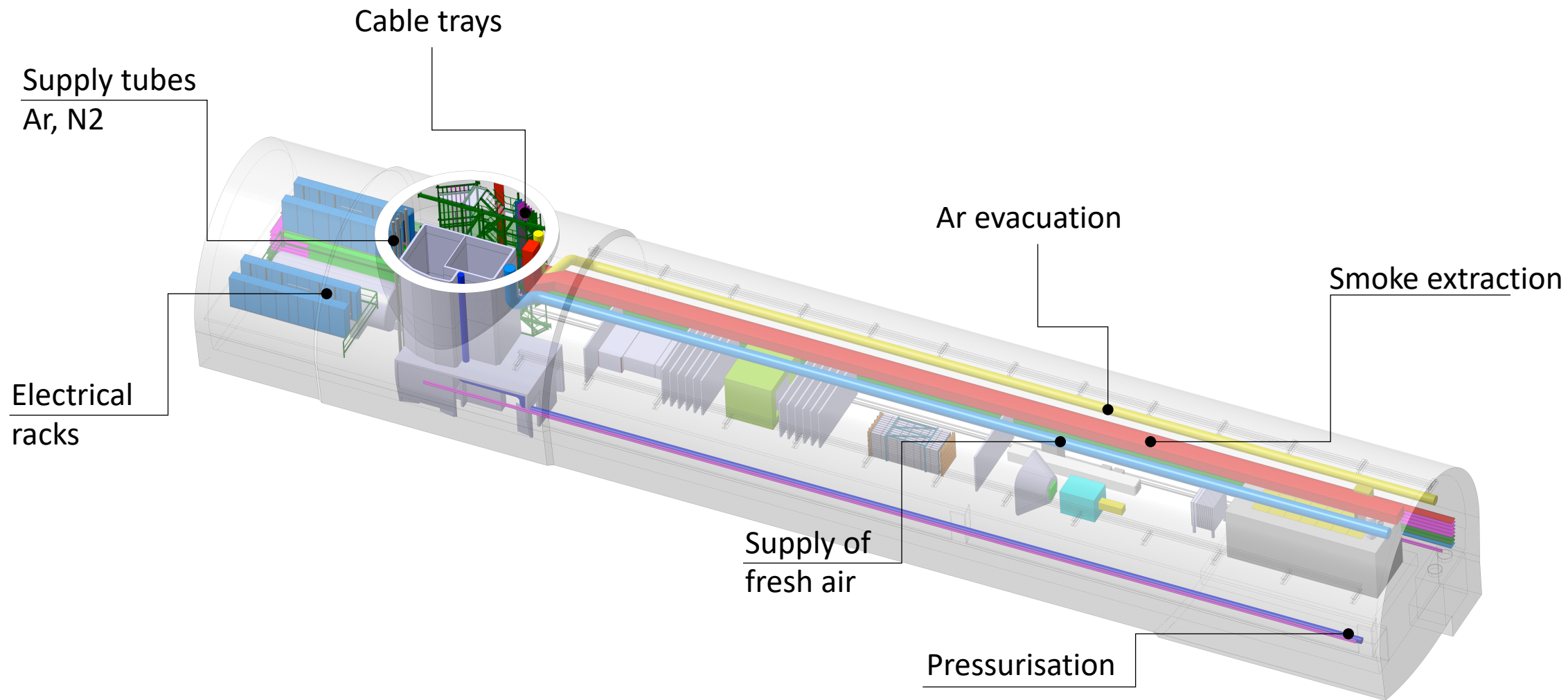


Services area away from experiments, contains cryo equipment, electronics racks etc...



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# Integration – adding services





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Access to cavern during beam operation?	Study by CERN Radioprotection group. <b>Complete</b>	Can access cavern for people classified as radiation workers. [2]
Muons background flux	Simulation study by CERN FLUKA team. Complete	Expected muon flux $O(1\text{Hz}/\text{cm}^2)$ within 1m or LOS. Generally OK for experiments. [2]
Geological conditions	Site investigation works carried out by CERN civil engineering group (with contractor GADZ SA). <b>Complete.</b>	Geological conditions look good for proposed works. [3]
Is one access point to facility OK for safety?	Study by CERN safety team. <b>Complete.</b>	Addition of over pressure safety corridor along the facility length allows only 1 access point. [2]
Preliminary facility CE costing	First CE works costing updated based on site investigation and checked by external contractor (ARUP). <b>Complete.</b>	CE costs for baseline facility 30MCHF. (Class 4 costing)

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# Technical Progress During 2023

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Planning to release a PBC note on the timescale of June, summarizing the technical progress in the facility design and integration.

Hope to include transport study on transporting and installing the largest/most-complex pieces into the cavern.

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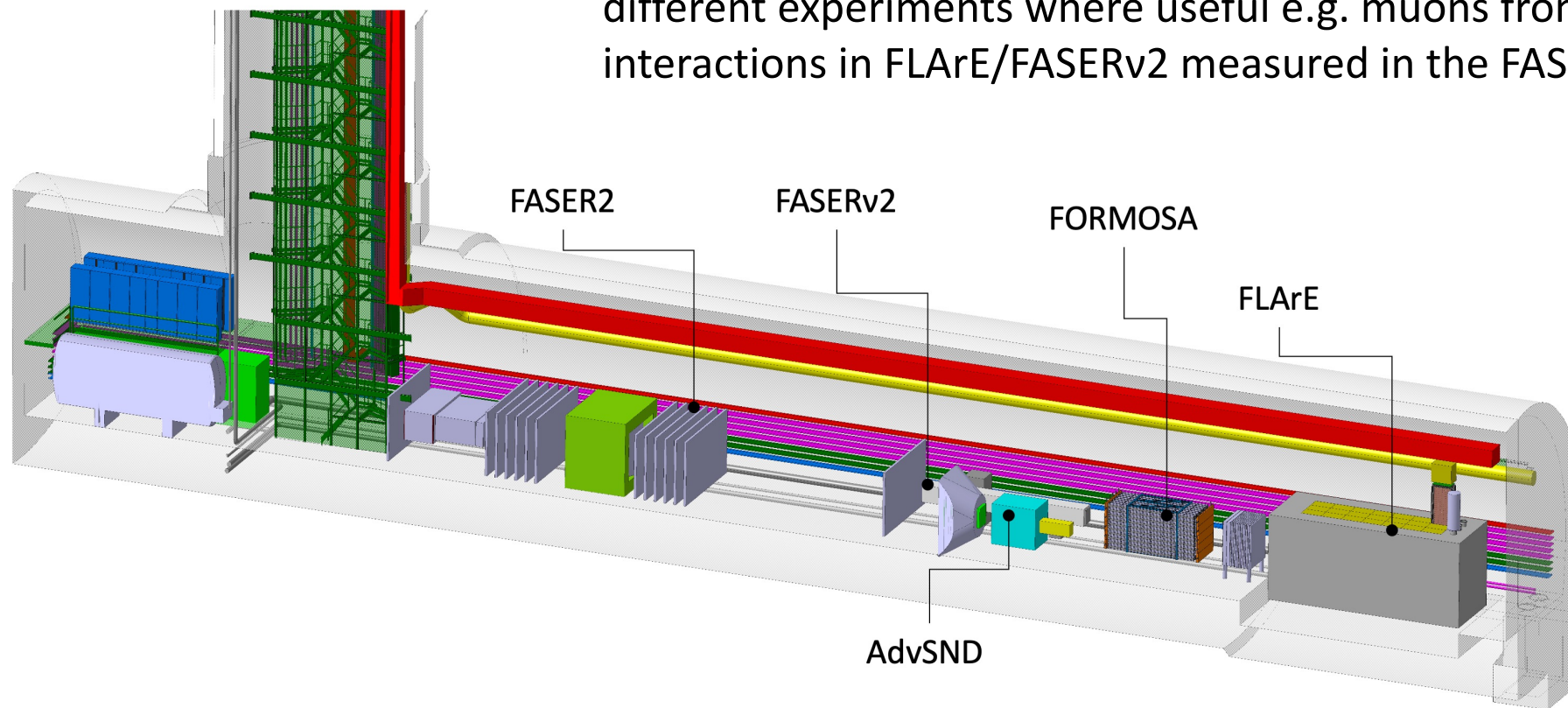
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# FPF Experiments

Much progress across all FPF experiments - Flash a few details of recent items in next slides

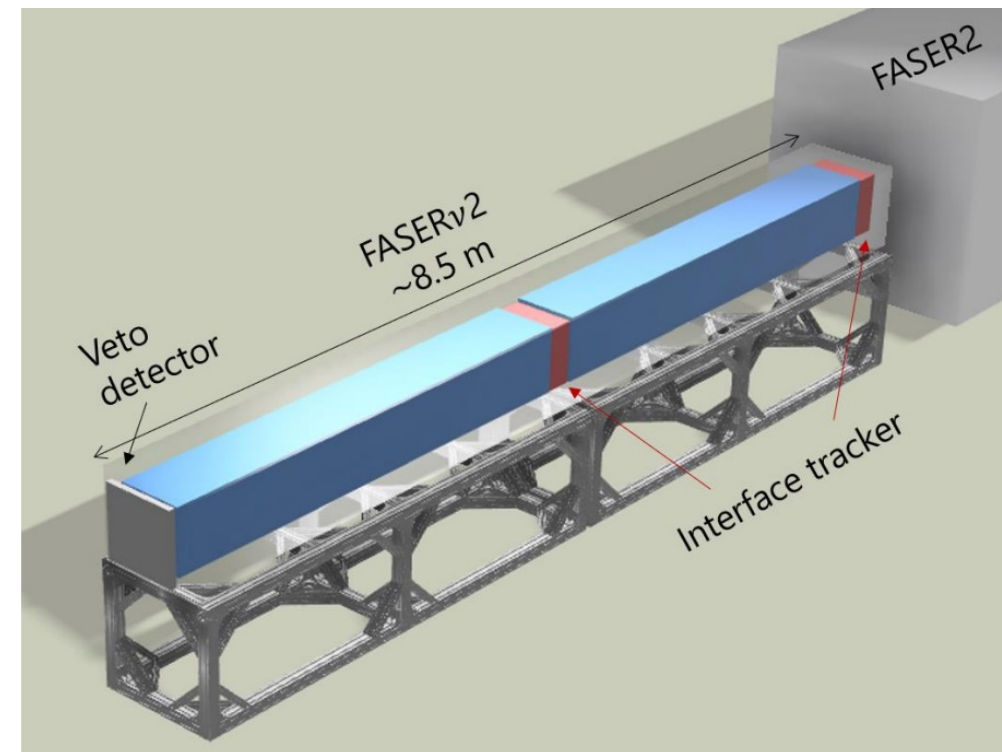
Want to optimize the physics across the facility, combining info from different experiments where useful e.g. muons from neutrino interactions in FLArE/FASERv2 measured in the FASER2 spectrometer



AdvSND are considering to be located in the existing LHC infrastructure (TI18) and not part of the FPF (see next talk from Giovanni De Lellis). Since the FPF is a dedicated facility, we can certainly make room in the facility for AdvSND if needed. <sup>11</sup>

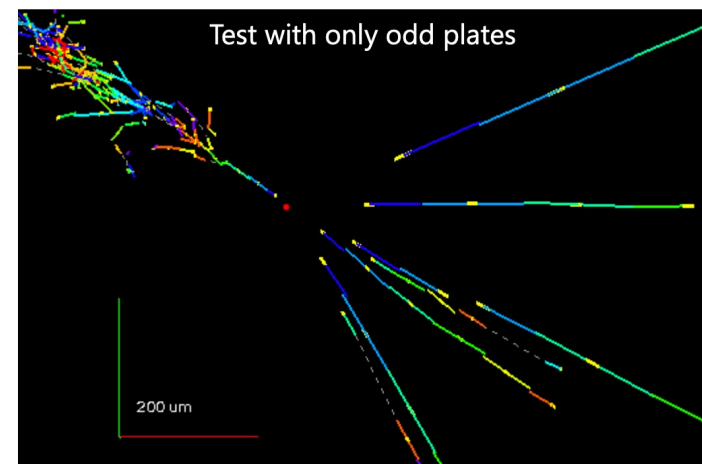
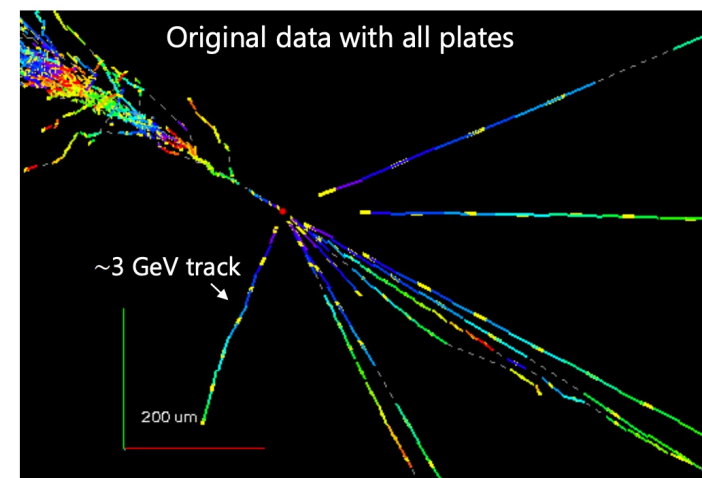
# FASERv2

- FASERv2 is a tungsten/emulsion detector
  - 20 tonne target mass
  - 40cm x 40cm x 8.5m long
  - Detector cooled to prolong emulsion performance
  - Muons from neutrino interactions in tungsten can be reconstructed in FASER2 spectrometer
    - Requires scintillator veto system and interface trackers
- Dealing with high detector occupancy from muon background ( $\sim 1\text{Hz}/\text{cm}^2$ ) is the main challenge
  - Investigating sweeper magnet to reduce muon flux
  - Investigating improved emulsion reconstruction to cope with higher occupancy
- Several studies ongoing to optimize the setup for FASERv2 (see next slide)

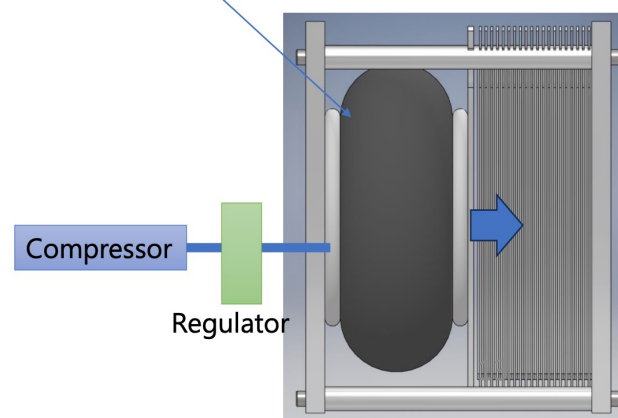


# FASERv2 – ongoing work

- Long term stability test of emulsion film ongoing
  - Test noise-hit (fog) rate and track efficiency after long exposure (as would be the case in the FASERv2)
  - Test using films exposed to test beam in Aug 2023
  - Films kept in different temperatures and for different lengths of time, and then developed to study performance
- Test of using 2mm thick tungsten plates between films (cf 1mm plates in FASERv)
  - Reconstruct FASERv data skipping every other emulsion film
  - Compare neutrino candidates with default and modified reconstruction
  - Results looks encouraging
- Detector structure development
  - Design structure to allow assembly of emulsion detector (after exchange of emulsion) on site
  - Need system to apply sufficient pressure on tungsten/emulsion to ensure good alignment
  - Prototype under development for testing this



Inflatable pusher to control force



# FLArE detector overview

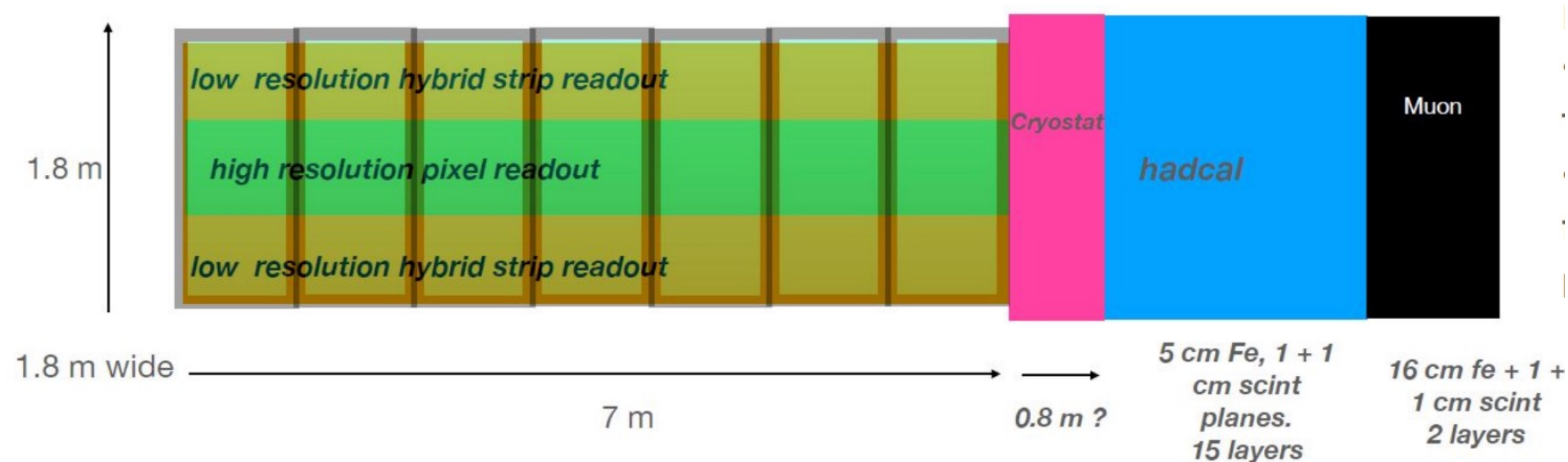
LAr TPC detector, optimized on high energy neutrino events, with aim to have good containment and high resolution reconstruction.

Baseline parameters:

- Gtt cryostat (as used for protoDune)
- Longitudinally, 7 sets of 1m deep TPCs
- Transversely, 3 TPCs per set: middle TPC (1x1m<sup>2</sup>) with better resolution, forms the fiducial volume
- Scintillator based hadronic calorimeter and muon catcher at back of cryostat
- Total mass of LAr 30tn (Fiducial mass 10tn)

Options and open questions for TPC:

- Possibility to use optical readout (ADRIANNE concept)
- Number of pixel for central section (many channels increases heatload)



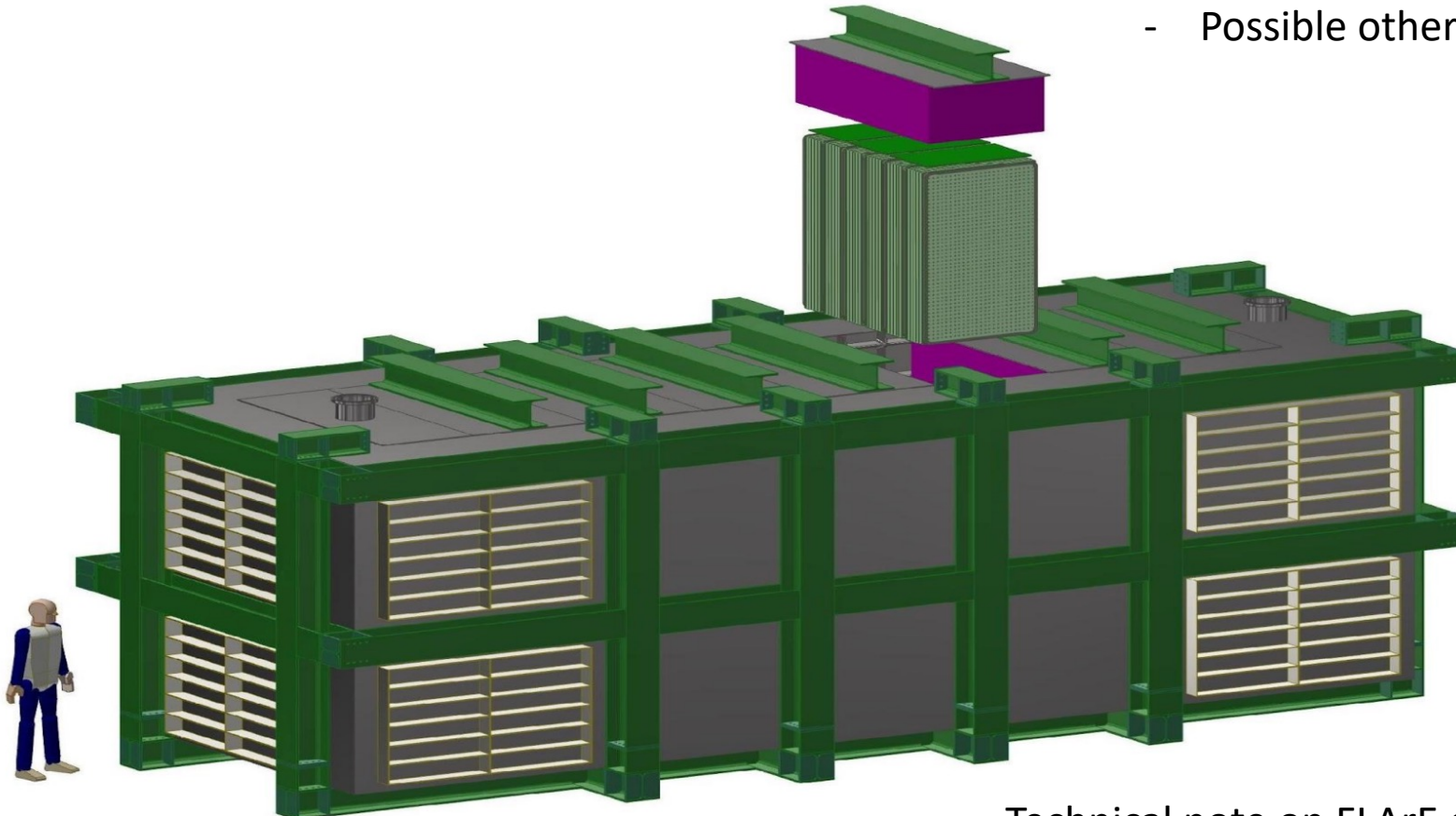
# FLArE detector design/integration

One detector module (3 TPCs) hung above the cryostat

Conceptual design of the detector integrated into cavern.  
 Transport study of largest/most complex pieces to be launched.

Question of how to access to repair TPC underdiscussion

- Baseline TPC installed from the top as shown
- Possible other option of installing through side



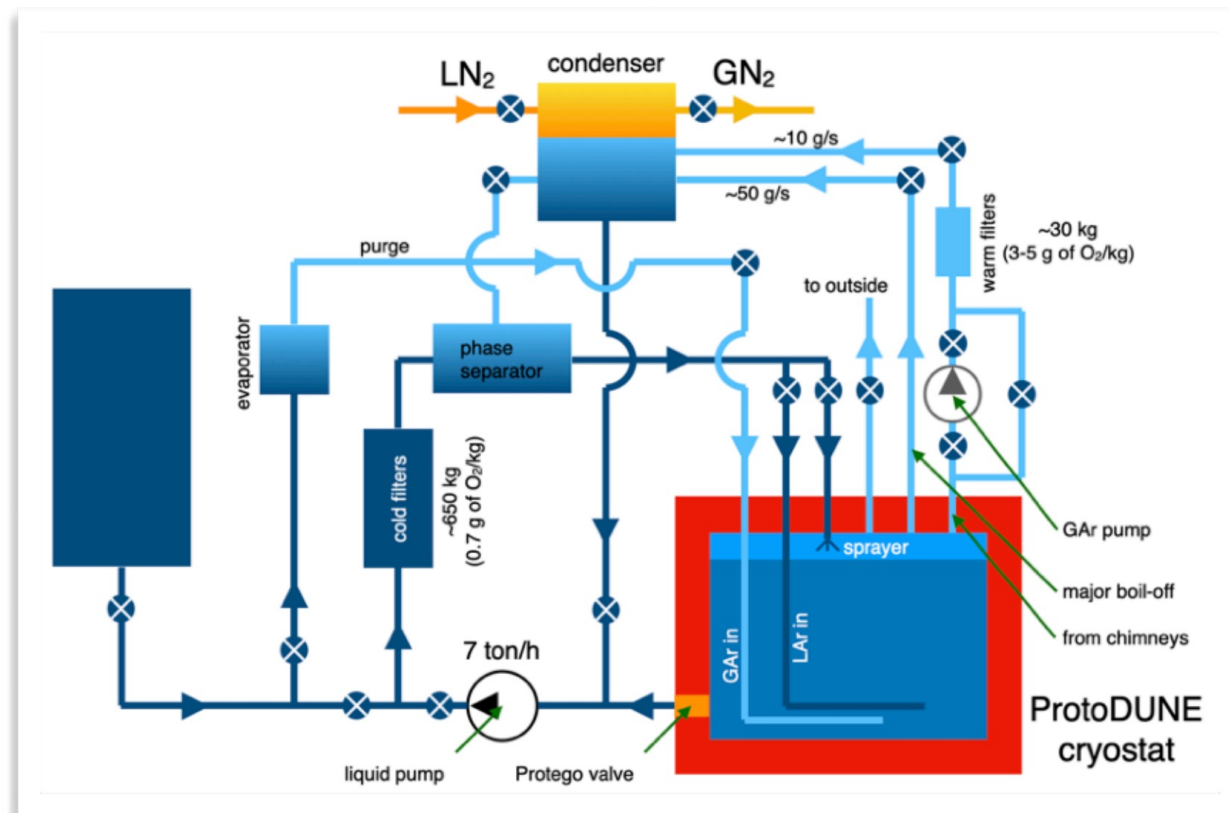
Conceptual design of FLArE cryogenics discussed with J. Bremer (TE-CRY) and F. Resnati (EP-NU, protoDune).

Concept similar to that of protoDune

- Boil off Ar is re-condensed using liquid nitrogen;
- The nitrogen is re-liquified using a Turbo-Brayton system with 10kW cooling capacity (not used for protoDune);
  - 100kW electrical power needed
- System allows for storing Ar in cavern if needed.

Important next steps:

- Safety considerations (ODH from Ar leak)
- Transport considerations for cryo equipment





# FLArE - cryogenics

TurboBrayton cooling unit

Ar storage tank

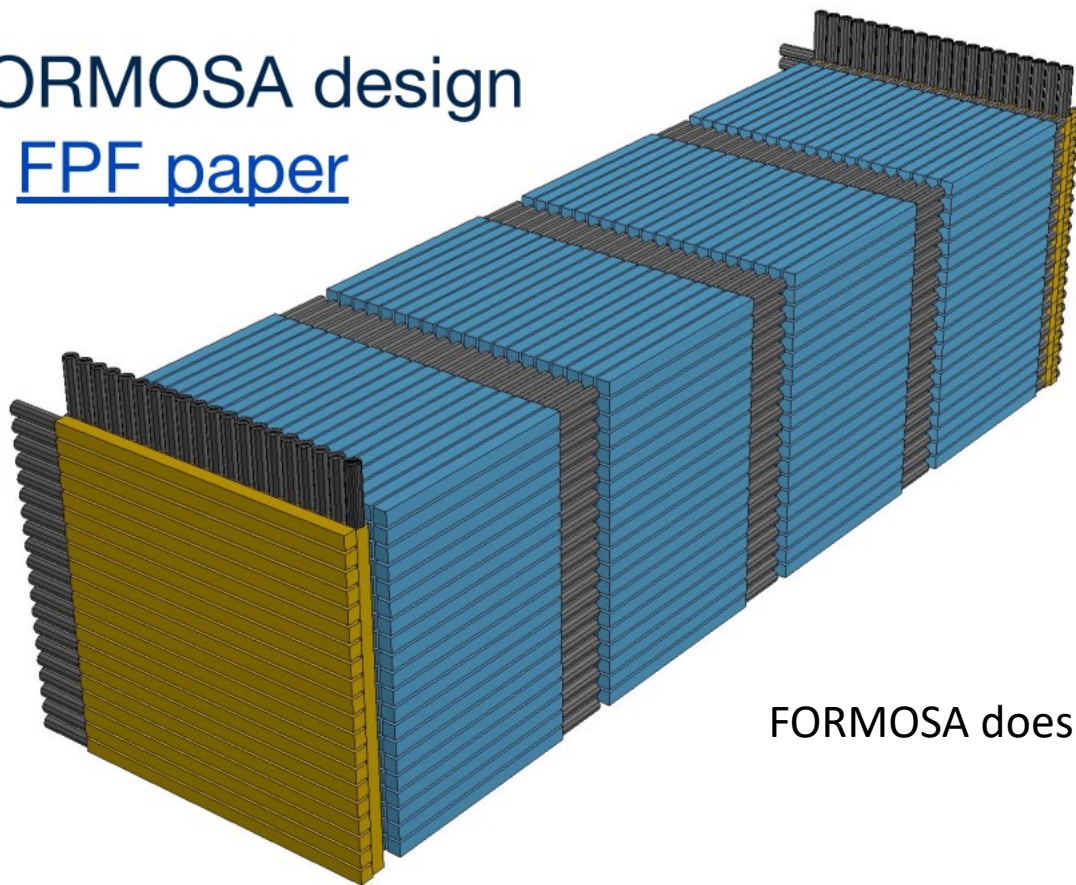
First integration model of FPF, including components from the conceptual FLArE cryogenics.

FLArE cryostat

Proximity cryogenics:  
Condenser, Purifier etc..  
(taken from MicroBoone experiment model)

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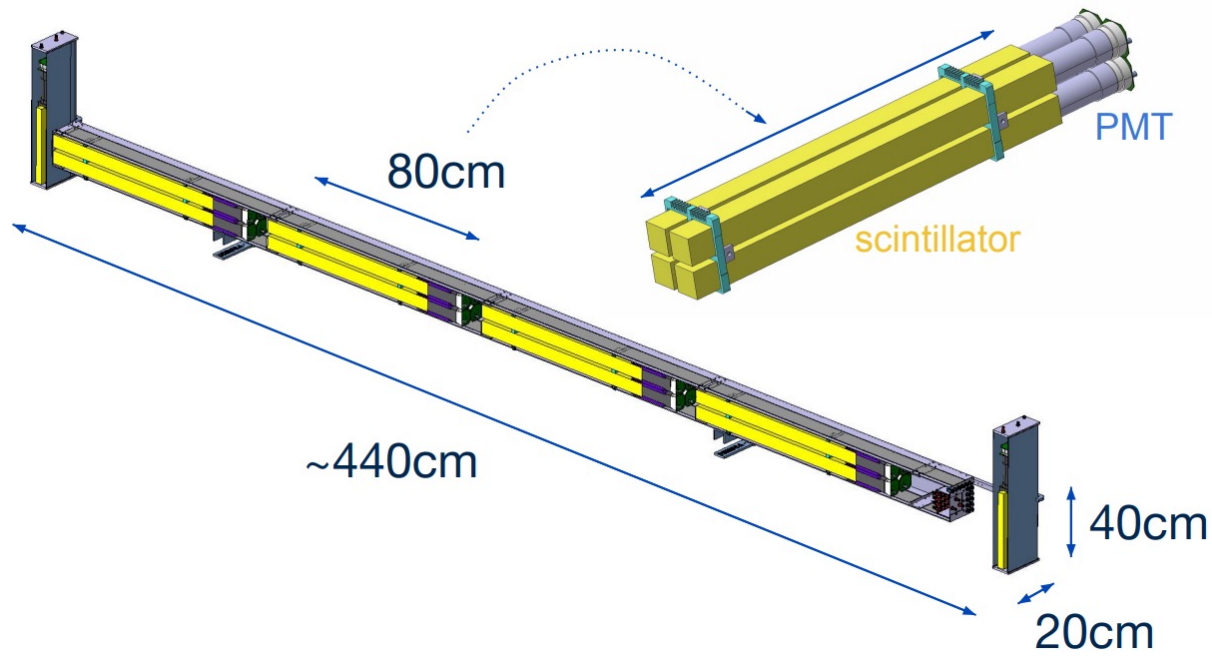
FORMOSA design  
in [FPF paper](#)



20rows x 20cols x 4layers of bars for detection  
Main background: beam muons → veto panels

FORMOSA doesn't present big challenges for infrastructure in the FPF

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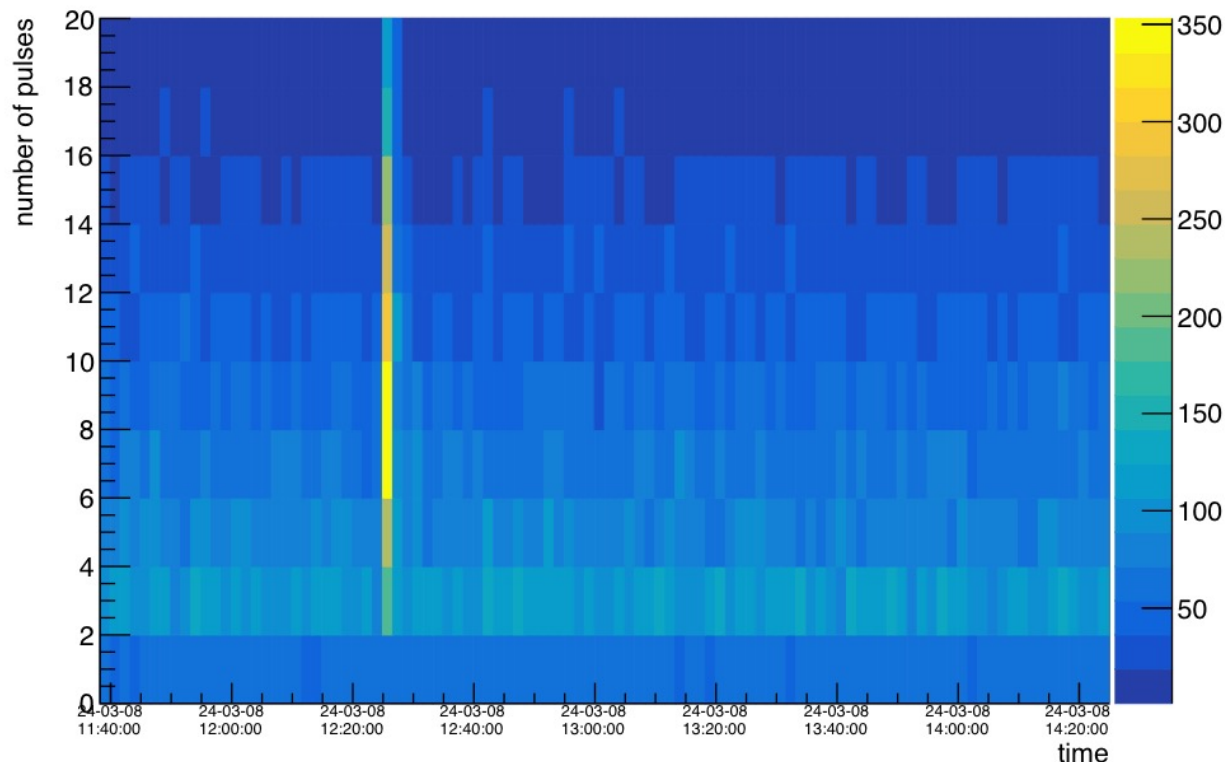


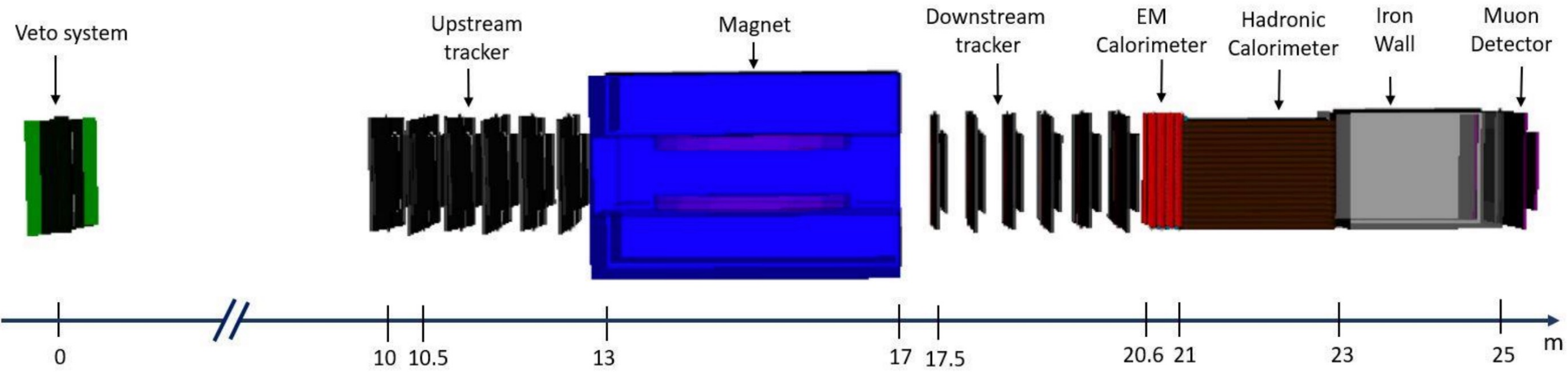
Detector consists of 4 layers of 4x4 scintillator bars, with front/back veto slab scintillators (18 channels total)



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First beam related activity in FORMOSA demonstrator during splash events (March 8th). Commissioning ongoing.





Tracking spectrometer, for LLP decays, and for measuring muons from neutrino interactions seen in upstream detectors (FLArE and FASERnu2).

Baseline tracker technology ScFi tracker (like LHCb). If installed in LS3, could re-use current LHCb SciFi modules (significant money saving).

Simulations studies used to detail spectrometer requirements:

- transverse size, magnet bending power, tracker hit resolution, alignment tolerances, material budget, number of tracking layers...

A note describing this in preparation.

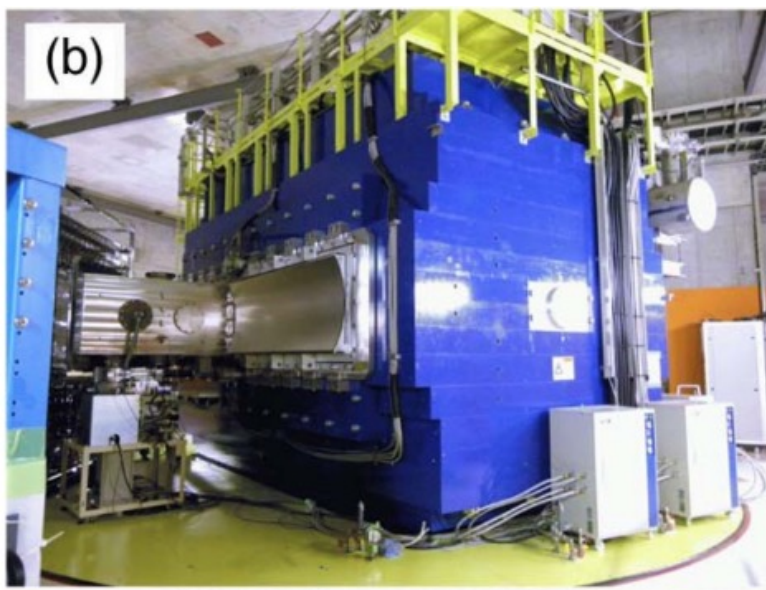
FASER2 spectrometer has a large aperture magnet. Options discussed with Toshiba, Japan and TESLA, UK. Baseline design is a superconducting dipole magnet based on the SAMURAI magnet (manufactured by Toshiba).

- 2Tm bending power
- 3m x 1m (gap) aperture (now studying a square aperture 1.7m x 1.7m)
- 4m wide x 3m high outer dimensions
- Peripheral equipment:
  - Cryogenics based on 4 cryo coolers
  - Other equipment (Vacuum pump unit, Water cooled compressor, Power source)
  - 36kW maximum power usage

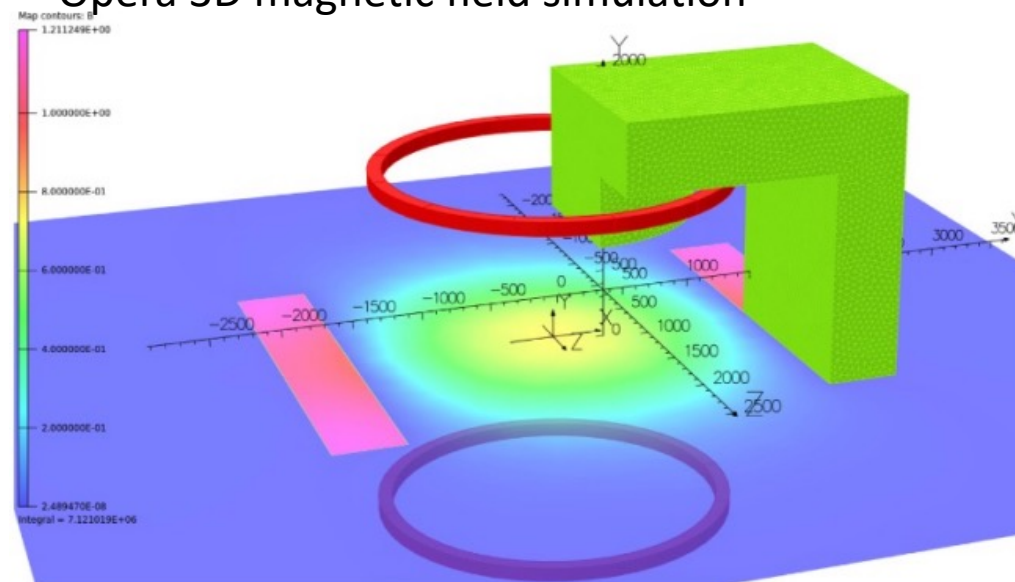
Rough costing from Toshiba of 4.3MCHF (without transportation), and 3-4 year lead time.

Study of transporting super conducting coils into cavern being started.

SAMURAI magnet at Riken in Japan



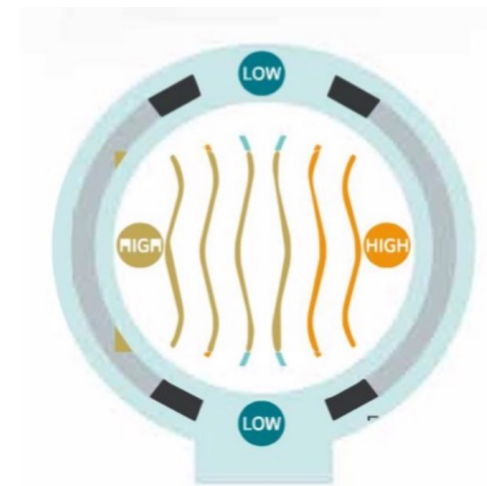
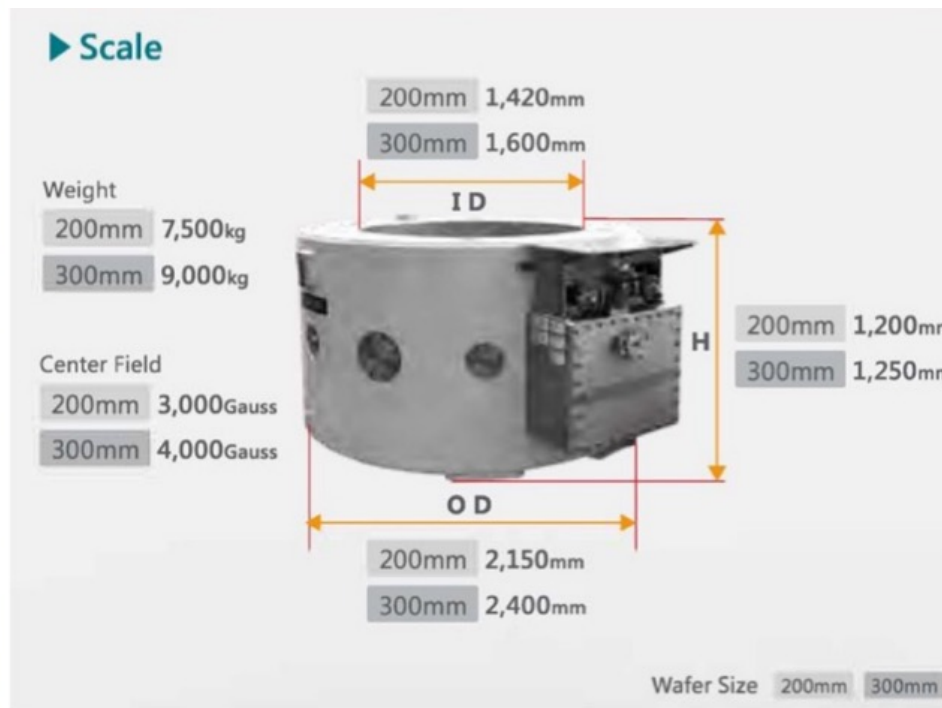
Opera 3D magnetic field simulation



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Specifications:

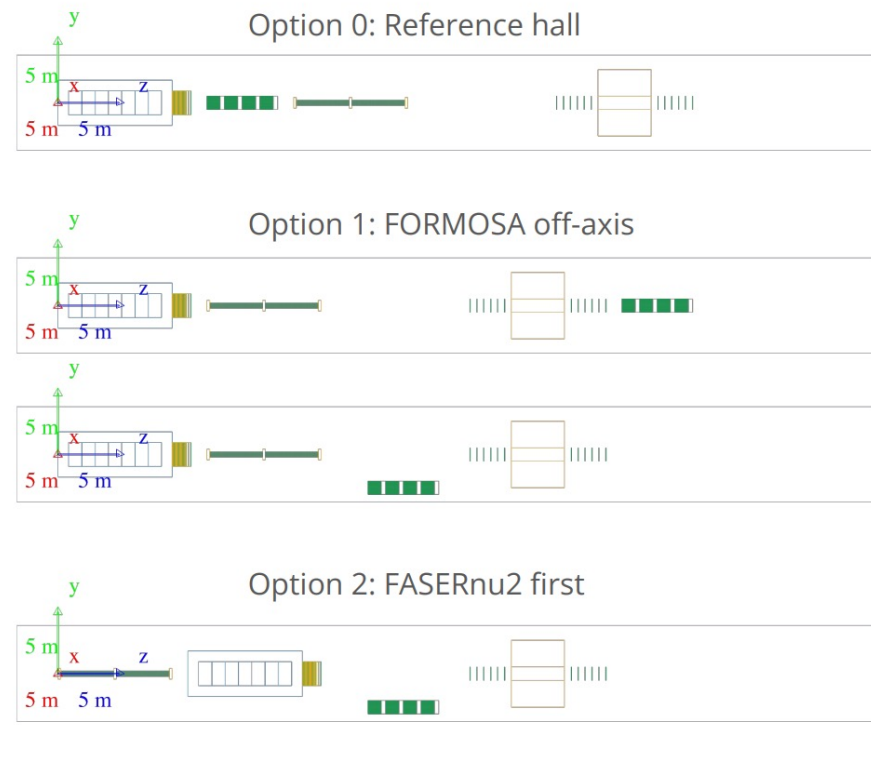
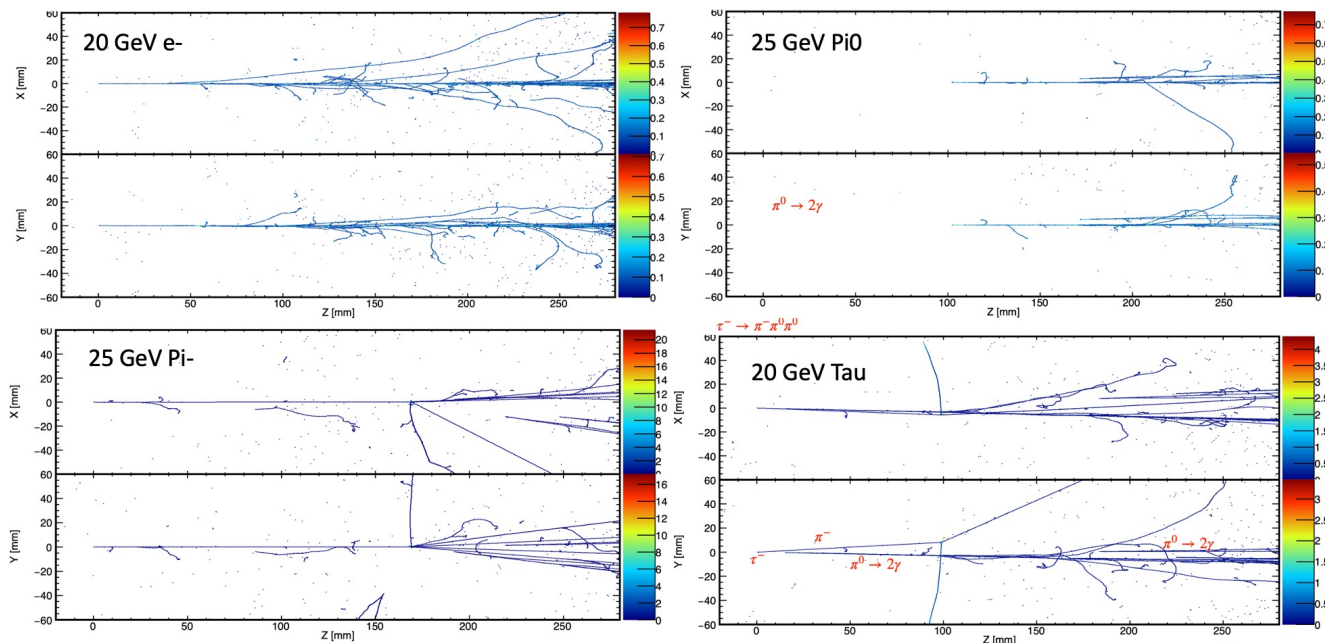
- Central field 0.4 – 0.5T
  - Can be chained together to provide more bending power e.g. 3 magnets can give 1.8 Tm
- Aperture 1.6m diameter (possibly up to 2m diameter)
- Advantages: Off the shelf, no R&D needed (shorter lead time, less risk), cryo system integrated into unit, cheaper
- Units would need to be rotated, checking with companies about possible modifications needed for that



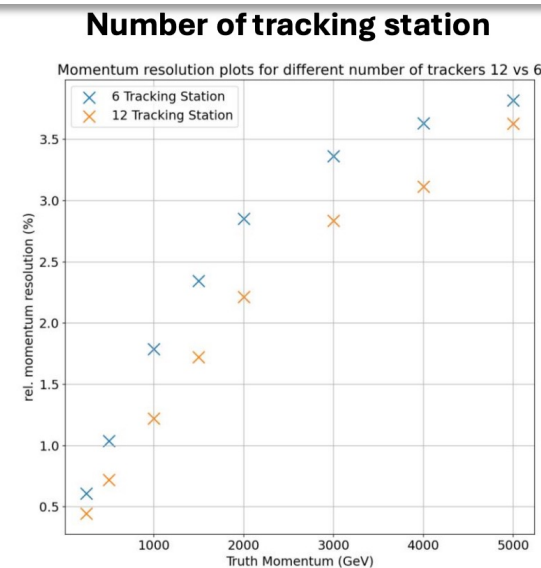
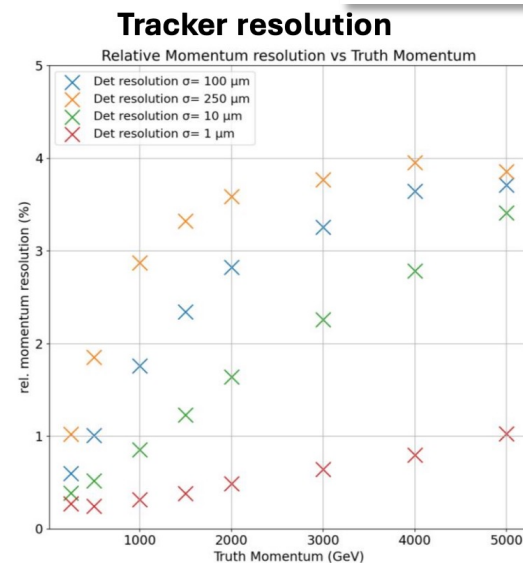
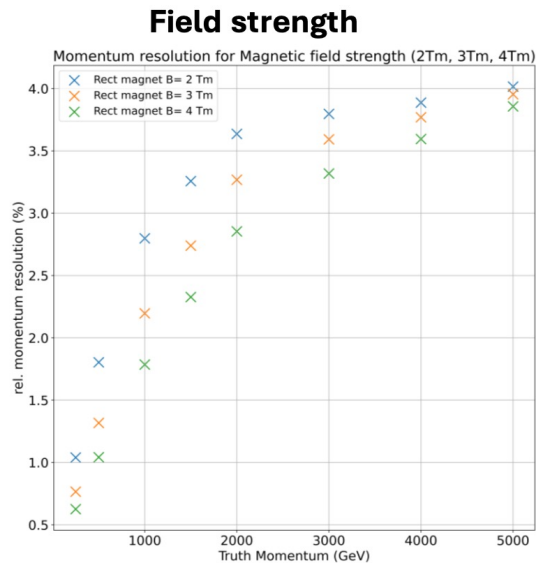
Large uniform field area.

Study of transporting this unit into cavern being started.

### Single particle response in FLArE



### Effect of FASER2 design on muon momentum resolution in simulated muon neutrino interactions in FLArE





# Summary

- **Experiments:**

- Lots of progress in experiment design, integration and infrastructure requirements
  - FORMOSA demonstrator installed in LHC to study through-going muon background
  - Several tests ongoing to validate FASERv2 concepts
  - Simulation studies to optimize designs, starting to include global optimization combining information across expts
- Key areas that influence global facility design:
  - FASER2 magnet – 2 reasonable cost options under consideration
  - FLArE cryogenics – conceptual design of cryo system advancing

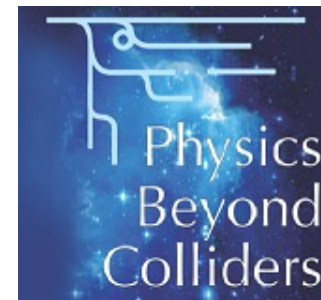
- **Facility:**

- Updated costing of facility considering site investigation findings & inflation
  - Reviewed by external experts
- Integration of experiments, including associated infrastructure showed bigger facility needed
- New facility baseline longer and wider to accommodate this (~10% more expensive)

- **Next steps:**

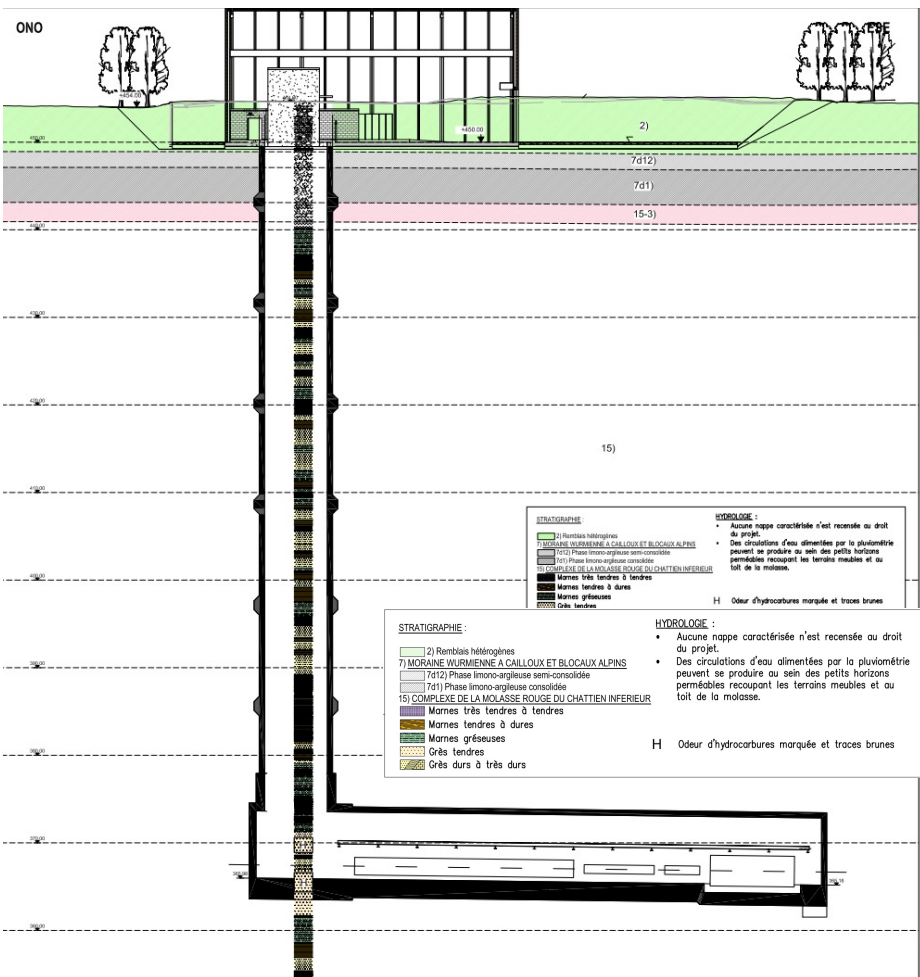
- Plan to submit a PBC note on the updated facility design, costing and integration on the timescale of June
- Planning to submit LOI to LHCC in Jan 2025

**Many thanks for the PBC support of FPF studies**

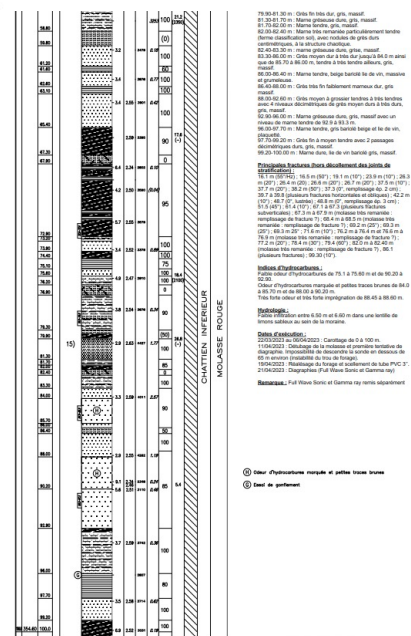
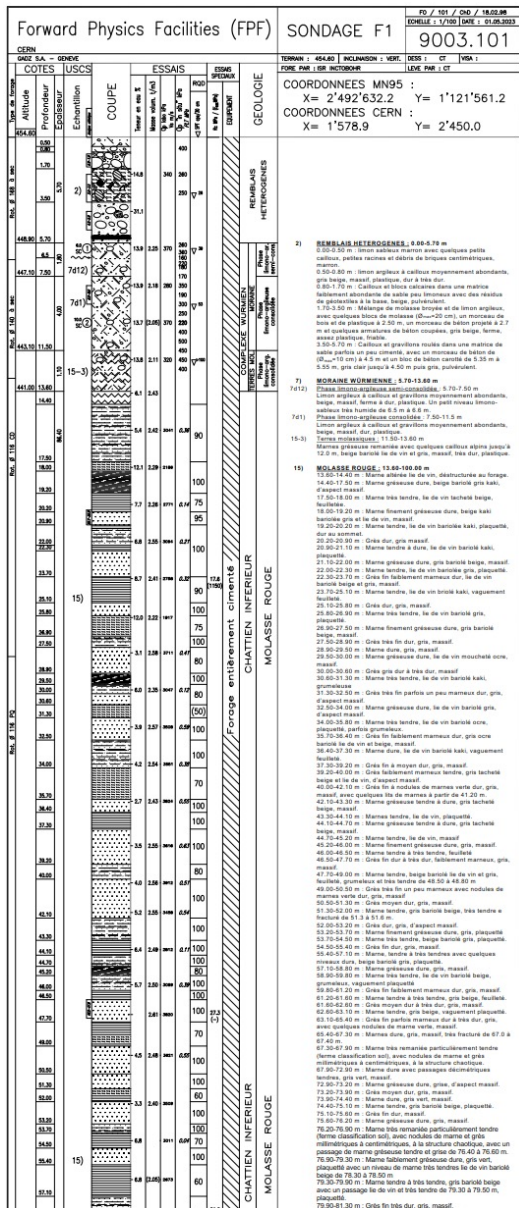


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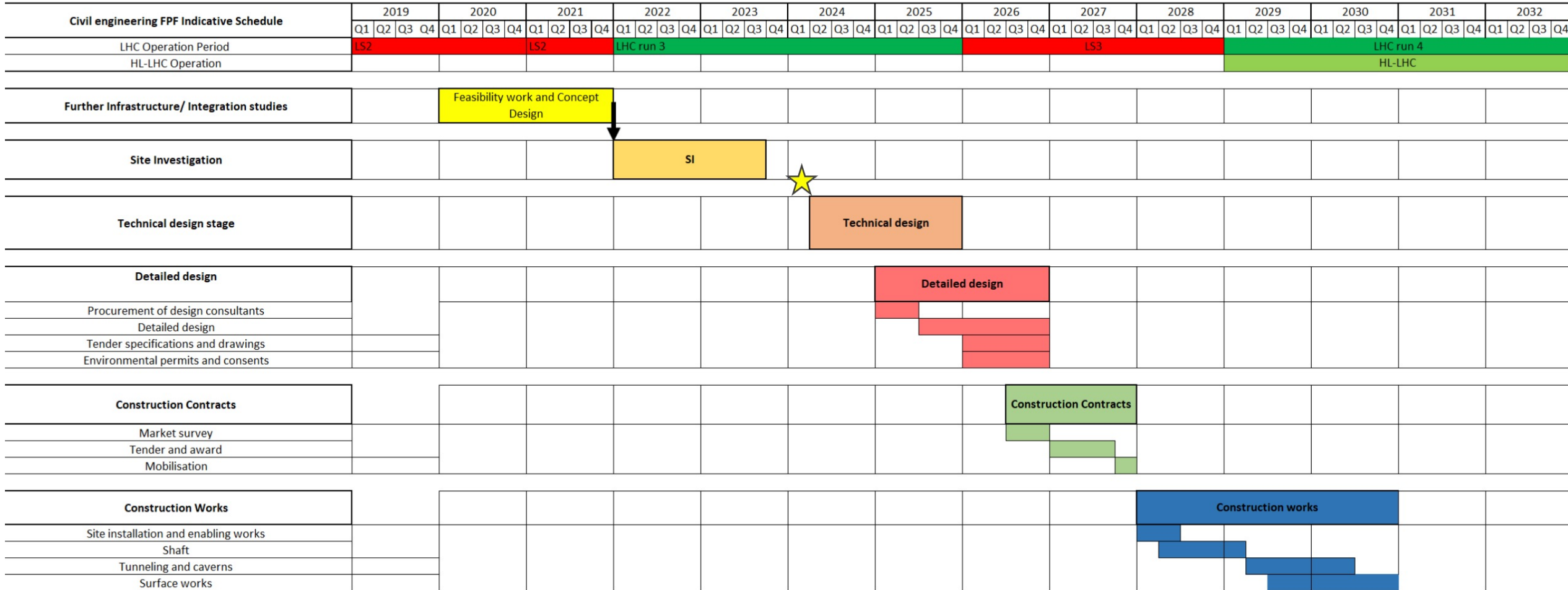
# FPF Site Investigation Works



- 20cm diameter core taken to 100m depth at proposed FPF location
- Detailed Geological study of core carried out
  - No showstoppers identified
  - Area looks good for excavation



# Proposed Civil Engineering Schedule



**NB Very early stage estimate for schedule**

★ Design must be frozen before technical design can begin

# CE Cost Update

Please find enclosed the first draft of the updated cost based on the results of the site investigations and the cost review done by ARUP. The estimated cost of the facility based on the existing design is 30.1MCHF, the estimate being a Class 4 (accuracy ranges being -15% to -30% on the low side, and +20% to +50% on the high side).

Ref.	Work Package	Cost [CHF]
1.	Underground Works	10,000,000.00
1.1	Preliminary activities	1,600,000.00
1.2	Access shaft	3,900,000.00
1.3	Experimental Cavern	4,500,000.00
2.	Surface Works	6,120,000.00
2.1	General items	640,000.00
2.2	Topsoil and earthworks	660,000.00
2.3	Roads and network	730,000.00
2.4	Buildings	4,090,000.00
2.4.1	Access building	2,000,000.00
2.4.2	Cooling and ventilation building	1,400,000.00
2.4.3	Electrical Building	490,000.00
2.4.5	External platforms	200,000.00
3.	General items	10,000,000.00
4.	Miscellaneous	4,000,000.00
	<b>TOTAL CE WORKS</b>	<b>30,120,000.00</b>

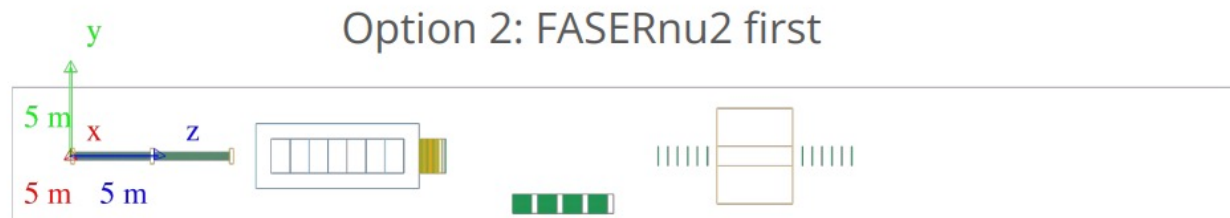
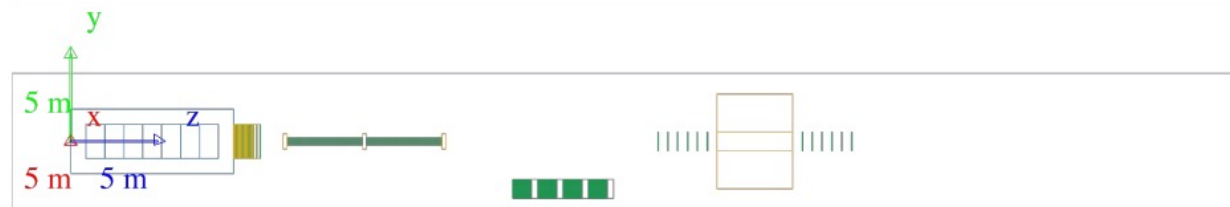
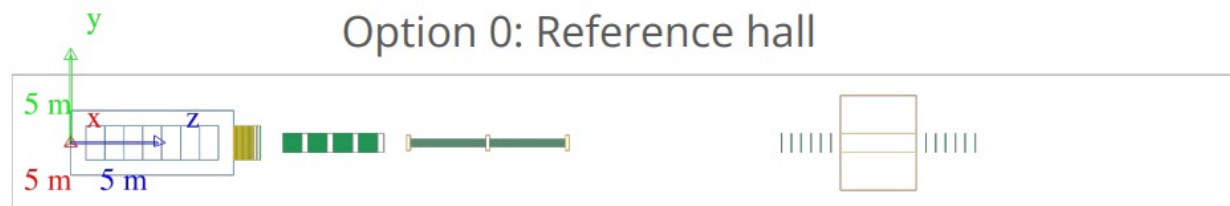
## Assumptions

1. Services not included
2. Technical galleries not included
3. Cranes not included
4. Access building as a conventional steel portal frame structure with cladding, only one floor
5. CV Building as a reinforced concrete building, only one floor
6. Finished floor level at 450m ASL
7. Sectional doors not included

Very preliminary estimate of cost increase to make cavern larger (to accommodate additional infrastructure etc.):

	Additional cost
5m longer cavern	700,000 CHF- 1,000,000.00 CHF
10m longer cavern	1,400,000 CHF - 2,000,000.00 CHF
Increase of the radius of the cavern by 1m	700,000 CHF- 1,000,000.00 CHF

# Alternative hall options



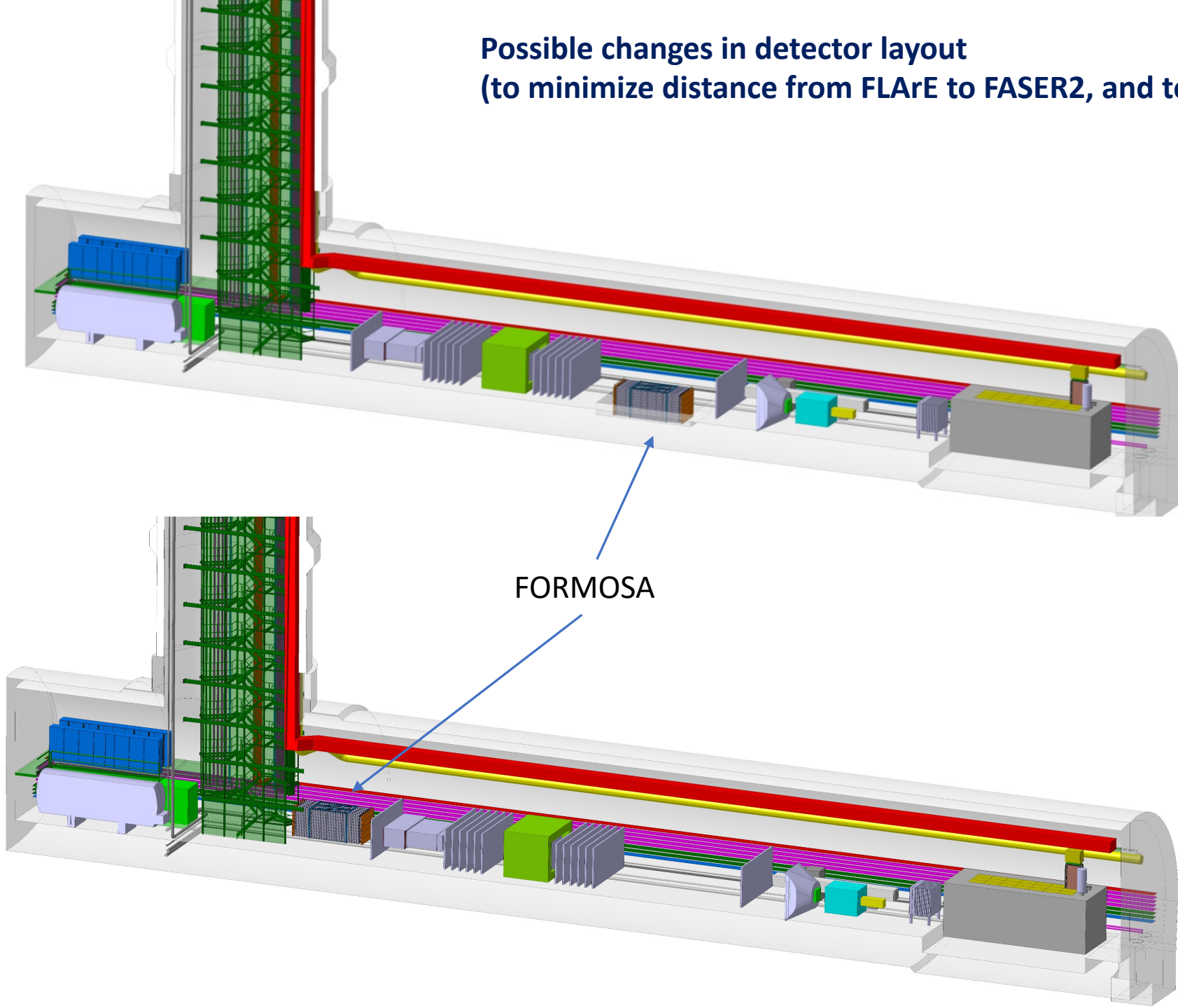
Detector	Total length [m]
FLArE	10.2
FORMOSA	5.3
FASER $\nu$ 2	8.6
FASER2 (SAMURAI-like)	10.2
FASER2 (Crystal-pulling)	6.3

Several alternative FPF configurations have been proposed. Each option can accommodate both FASER2 magnet designs.

FPF hall configurations					
Name	Comment	FLArE (y, z) [m]	FORMOSA (y, z) [m]	FASER $\nu$ 2 (y, z) [m]	FASER2 (y, z) [m]
Option 0	Reference hall	(0, 4.3)	(0, 13.9)	(0, 22.0)	(0, 42.6)
	...with CrystalPulling magnets	(0, 4.3)	(0, 13.9)	(0, 22.0)	(0, 40.7)
Option 1a	FORMOSA behind FASER2	(0, 4.3)	(0, 45.1)	(0, 15.5)	(0, 36.1)
	...with CrystalPulling magnets	(0, 4.3)	(0, 41.1)	(0, 15.5)	(0, 34.1)
Option 1b	FORMOSA below decay volume	(0, 4.3)	(-2.5, 26.0)	(0, 15.5)	(0, 36.1)
	...with CrystalPulling magnets	(0, 4.3)	(-2.5, 26.0)	(0, 15.5)	(0, 34.1)
Option 2	FASER $\nu$ 2 before FLArE	(0, 14.1)	(-2.5, 26.0)	(0, 4.3)	(0, 36.1)
	...with CrystalPulling magnets	(0, 14.1)	(-2.5, 26.0)	(0, 4.3)	(0, 34.1)

Table 1: Summary of the FPF configurations. The (y, z) positions of the on-axis detector centers are reported. A 1.2 m buffer between each experiment is assumed. The center of the coordinate system always corresponds to the front of the first detector, 3.1 m from the cavern wall. The z-axis represents the line of sight, while y is the vertical direction. The full length of the cavern is 65 m.

**Possible changes in detector layout  
(to minimize distance from FLArE to FASER2, and to save space)**



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# Considerations on cryogenics

Total heat load of ~8 kW (4 kW cryostat, 1 kW GAr circuit, 1 kW LAr purification, 1 kW electronics, 1 kW other inefficiencies)

Analogous approach as for ProtoDUNEs:

- Pressurised LN<sub>2</sub> for re-condensing the argon vapour
- Forced LAr circulation at a rate of 1 volume in 5 days => 600-700 kg/h
- Proximity cryogenics order of 1 MCHF

Main cooling (instead of exhausting evaporated N<sub>2</sub>):

- Turbo-Brayton (~8 m x 1.6 m x 2.7 m) TBF-80 unit (~10 kW cooling) in the cavern
- 100 kW electrical power (max), 5 kg/s water (max)
- Order of 3 MCHF

LAr and LN<sub>2</sub> lines down shaft:

- GAr/GN<sub>2</sub> out 30 cm diameter
- GAr in 10 cm (vacuum jacket included)
- LN<sub>2</sub> 20 cm (vacuum jacket included)
- LAr 20 cm (vacuum jacket included)

Dewars on surface:

- 50 m<sup>3</sup> LAr
- 10 m<sup>3</sup> LN<sub>2</sub>





# Cost and Timeline

Work	Months	Comments
Designing	9	could be started before designing could be done while designing
Procurement	12	
Winding wire	6	
Assembly	12	
Test	3	
Dismantlement, Delivery	2	
	44 (3.6 years)	could be 35 (2.9 years)

3-4 years expected before commissioning

	JPY [MJPY]	CHF [MCHF]
<b>Material</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>2.2</b>
Superconducting wire	6.3	0.04
Yoke material	88	0.51
Yoke manufacturing	106	0.62
Vacuum chamber, shield, etc	130	0.76
Coil winding jig, assembly jig	51	0.30
Testing instruments	2.7	0.02
Commercial product (cryogenics, power supply, etc)	<b>73</b>	<b>0.43</b>
Manufacturing and assembly	<b>102</b>	<b>0.60</b>
Others (Designing, testing, etc)	<b>174</b>	<b>1.02</b>
	<b>733</b>	<b>4.29</b>

Transportation fee is not included

# Magnet parameters

In addition, 3 m x 2 m aperture (wider gap) with 2 Tm is also tried

- 50 cm thick return yoke still work; total width is kept at 4 m, while total height increases to 4 m
- Stored energy still below 10 MJ, no need to use Liquid He bath cooling

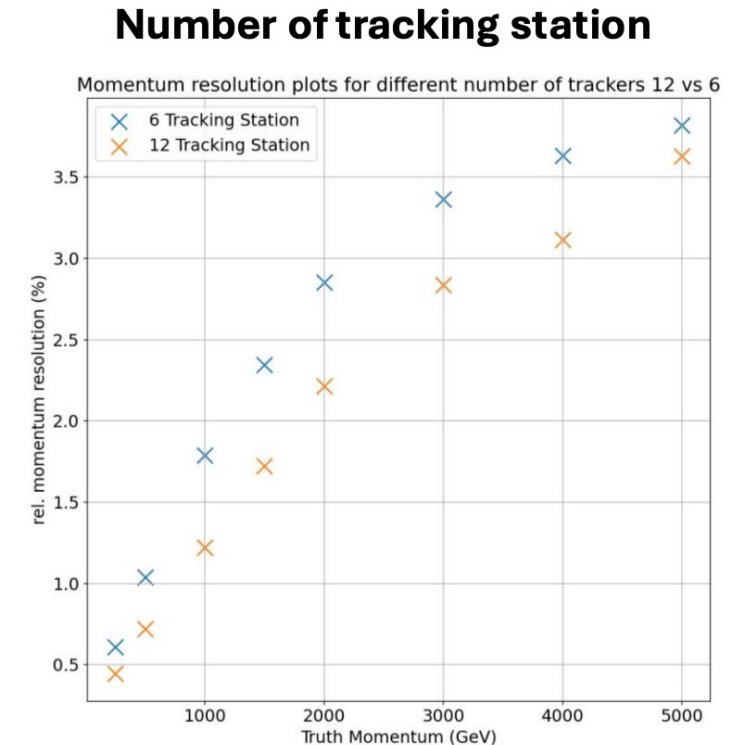
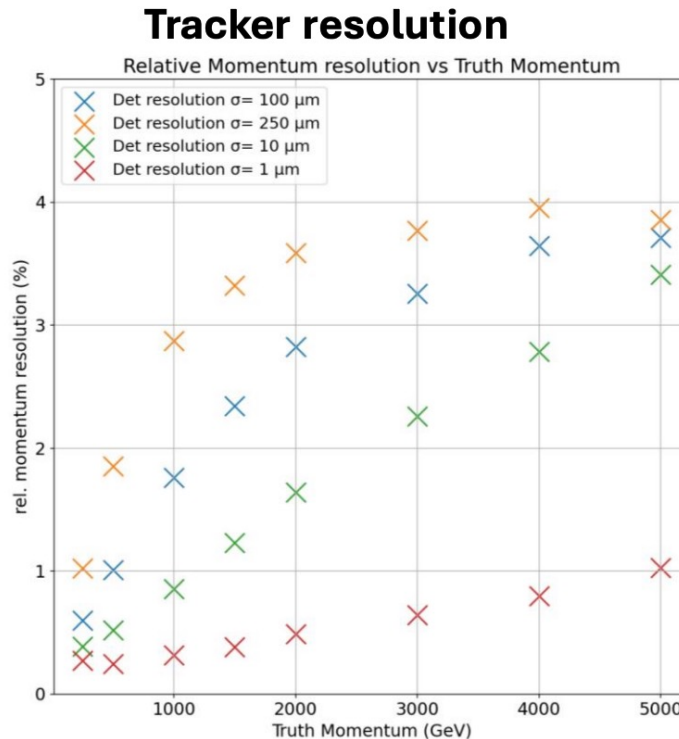
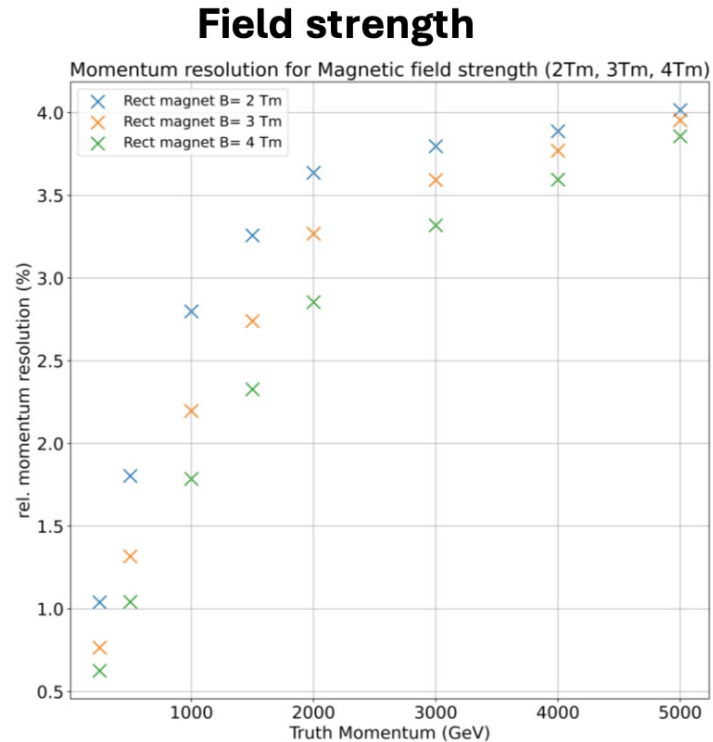
	SAMURAI	2 Tm gap 1 m	2 Tm gap 2 m
Coil diameter [m]	2.6	2.6	2.6
Coil cross section [mm <sup>2</sup> ]	180 × 160	100 × 100	100 × 100
Current density [A/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	66.74	37	86
Coil current for Φ1.2 mm cable [A]	563	48	112
Total width [m]	6.7	4	4
Total height [m]	4.64	3	4
Iron yoke thickness [m]	1.65	0.5	0.5
Iron weight [t]	566	167	190
Gap [m]	0.88	1	2
Coil center field [T]	3.08	0.89	0.75
Max field in coil [T]	5.4	1.5	2.9
Integral magnetic field at center [Tm]	7.05	2.20	1.92
Stored energy [MJ]	27.4	2.2	8.2

4.3 MCHF + ~1 MCHF [TBC]

1.7 m x 1.7 m aperture will be tried in the next iteration

# FASER2 Software: Performances

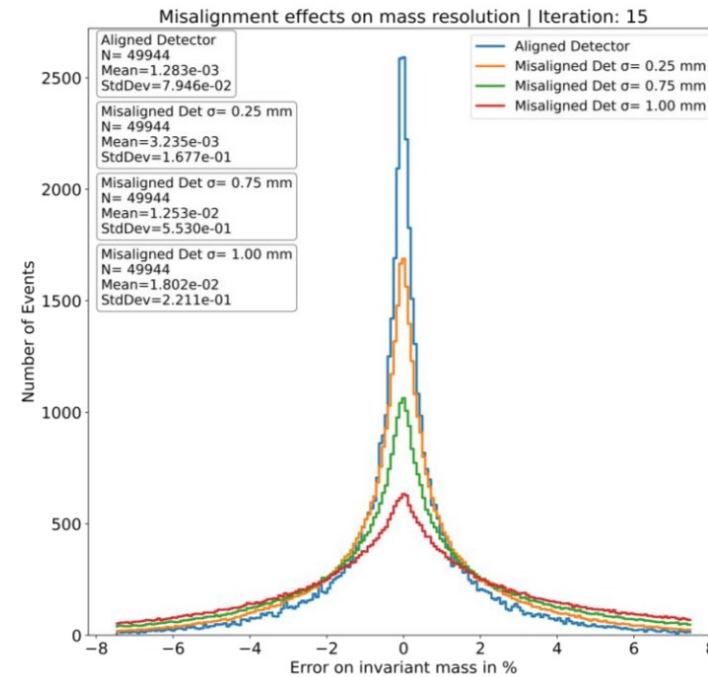
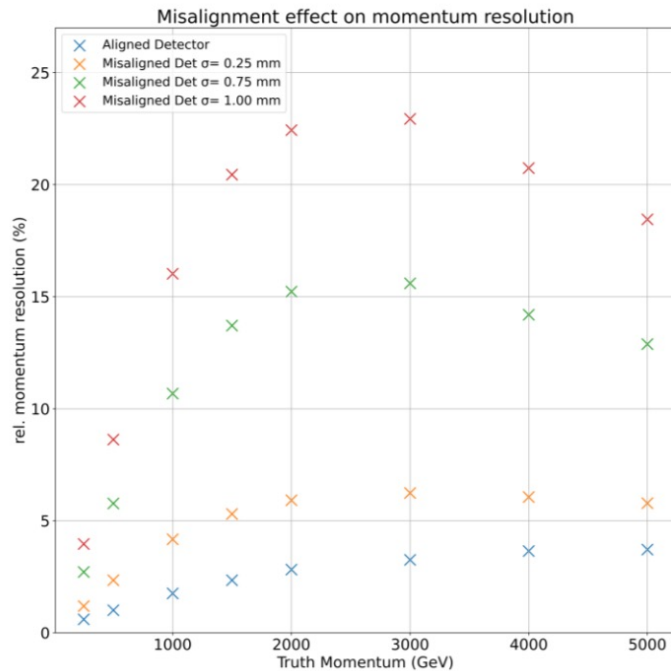
- ACTS performance plots for different FASER2 detector configurations/parameters



- Momentum resolution remains good while reducing magnetic field to 2 Tm
- Effect of tracker resolution on the momentum resolution
- Good performances with 6 tracking layers configuration

# FASER2 Software: Alignment

- ACTS performance plots for detector toy misalignment of FASER2
- Study identifies the tracker alignment is a key performance driver



- Misalignment of tracking station  $> 250 \mu\text{m}$  starts to have significant impact on momentum resolution
- Expected mechanical precision should have alignment precision of  $250 \mu\text{m}$ 
  - Achieving  $250 \mu\text{m}$  alignment precision across large detectors ( $\sim 10\text{m}$  apart) is challenging
- On-going studies to use the muon background for track alignment (Luke Kennedy)

# Single particle simulation studies in FLArE:

