



# EP R&D Day

## Work Package 8 Detector Magnets

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(\*) **Details and publication references are available in the EP R&D annual reports:**

CERN Document Server, EP R&D Programme on Technologies for Future Experiments

<https://ep-dep.web.cern.ch/scientific-activities>

# Scope of Work Package 8

## Main objectives:

- Support the CERN's expertise on detector magnets,
- Explore the technologies relevant for future detector magnets (ECFA roadmap),
- Build scalable prototypes.

## R&D areas:

1. Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets,
2. Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors,
3. Demonstrator magnets,
4. Magnet controls and instrumentation.

# WP8 team

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**And the much-appreciated support of:** EP-DT, EN-MME and TE-CRG teams, and CERN Service Groups.

# Summary of activities 2020-2023

# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets

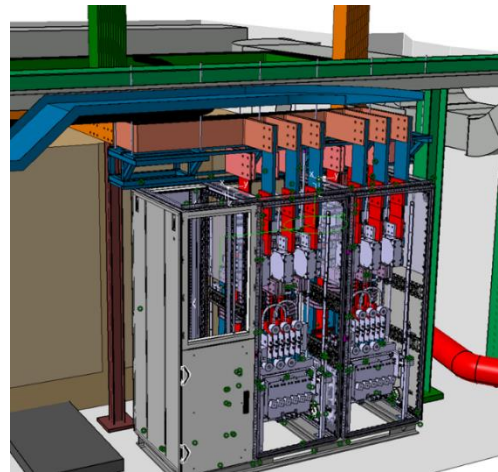
## Completed activities :

Development of systems for experimental facilities, and demonstrator:

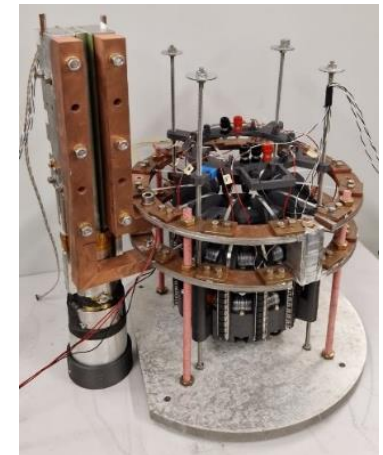
- Implementation of snubber on Atlas Barrel Toroid powering circuit,
- Commissioning of CMS free wheel system,
- Design, assembly & test of flux pump demonstrator: rectified current up to 1kA at 77K.



*Atlas-Toroid snubber (2020-2021)*



*CMS Free Wheel Thyristor (2021)*



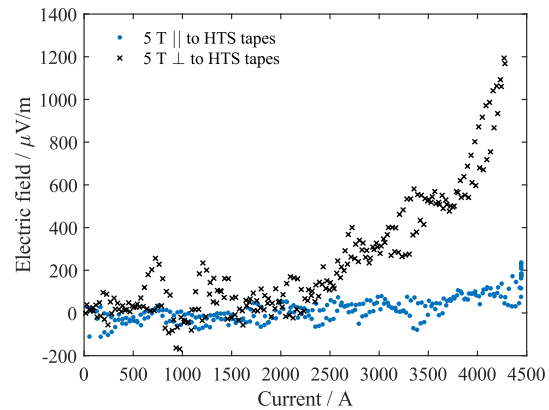
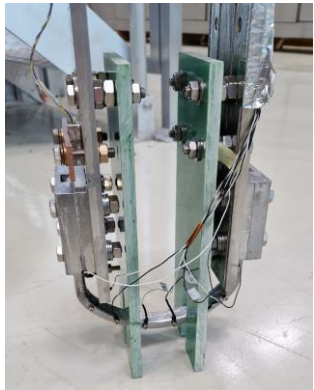
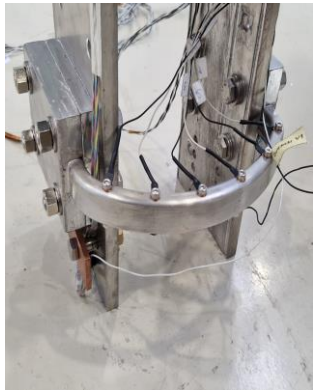
*HTS flux pump (2022-2023)*

# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets

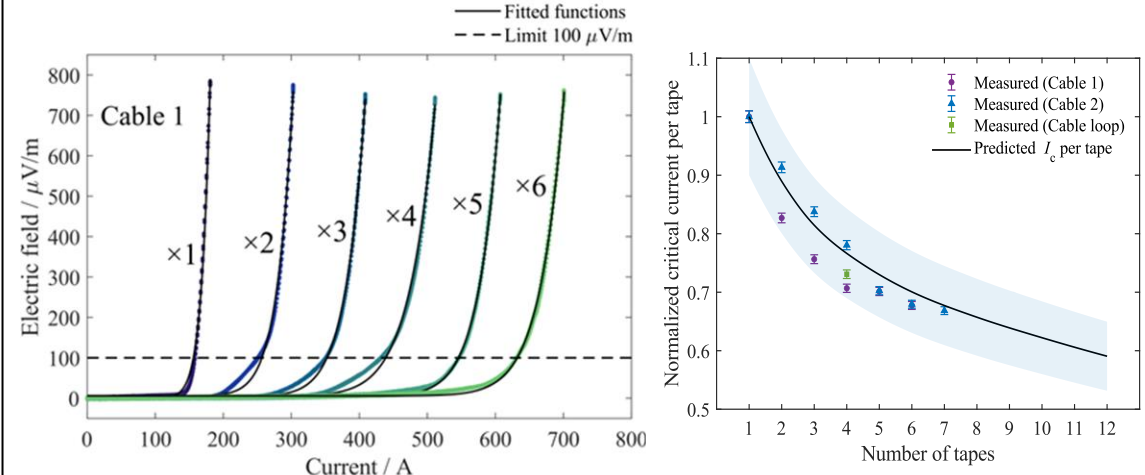
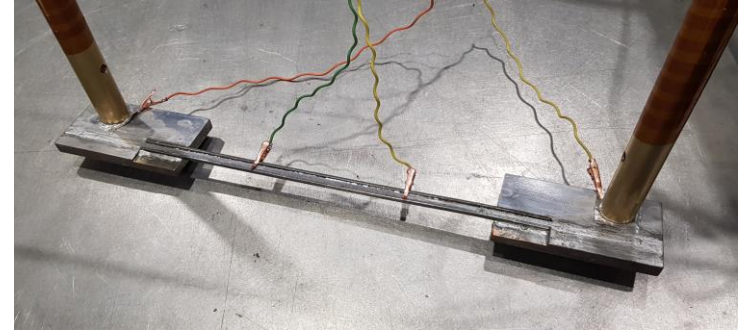
## Completed activities :

High Temperature Superconductor studies:

- Modelling and test of stacks of REBCO tapes,
- Test of aluminium stabilized HTS.



R&D on HTS-based aluminium-stabilized conductor with background field up to 5 T at 4.2K (2022-2023)

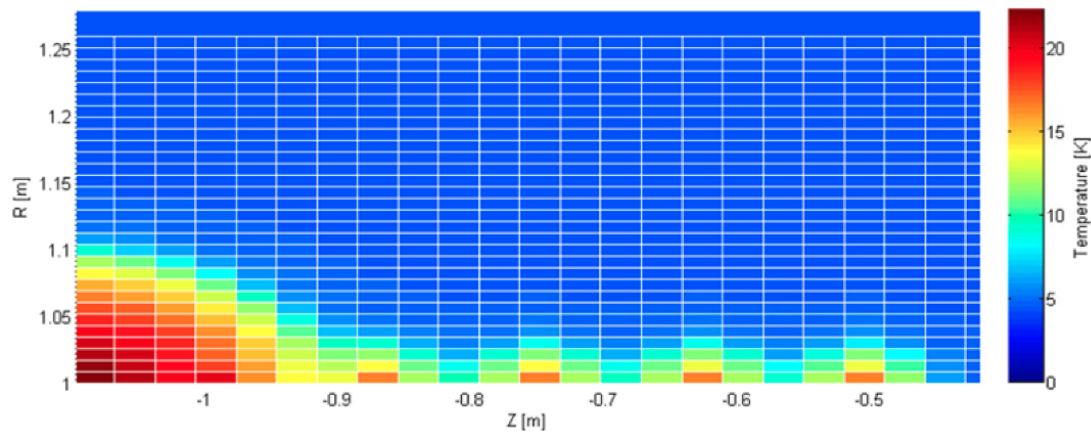


Critical current at 77K of REBCO tape stacks (2022-2023)

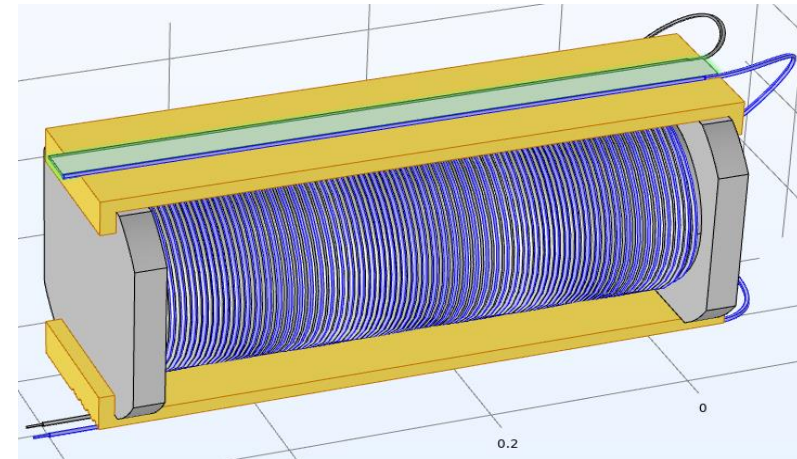
# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets

## Other completed studies :

- Quench protection and modelling, applied to the 4-T magnet studies,
- Persistent mode current switch.



*Quench propagation in a coil + quench heaters, in the longitudinal cross section (2020)*



*Design of a persistent current mode switch, with Nb-Ti/Cu-Ni (2020)*



# WP8.2 Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors

- Proposed in 2019 for the onset of the EP R&D program,
- Delayed for budget reasons, due to expected costs of prototyping,
- Re-activated in 2023 (following the Superconducting Detector Magnet Workshop, Sept 2022, CERN):

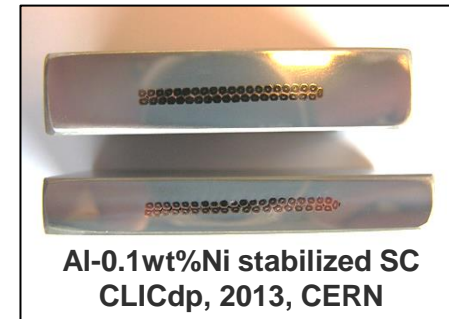
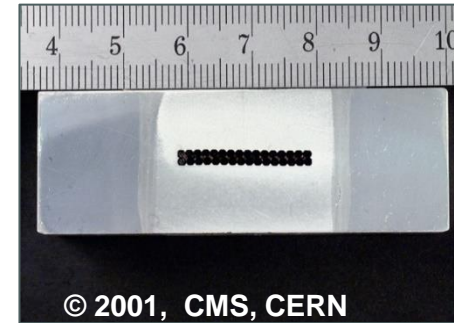
*Commercial availability of coextrusion for Al-stab SC identified is critical.*

## In 2023:

- ✓ Re-definition of scope,
- ✓ Identification of industrial partners (CERN ILOs + Request for Interest through IPT).

## Support for WP8.2 from :

- **New AT-RC Sectors joint Committee for Experiment Magnets** set up at CERN in 2023,
- **Dedicated Working Group** : CERN (EP, EN, TE) and KEK experts.



# WP8.2 Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors

## Objective:

Restoring industrial availability of Aluminium-stabilized coextruded superconductors:

- to maintain R&D and production capacity widely available in the future,
- not only relying on one supplier for coextrusion for future R&D and production.

## Scope:

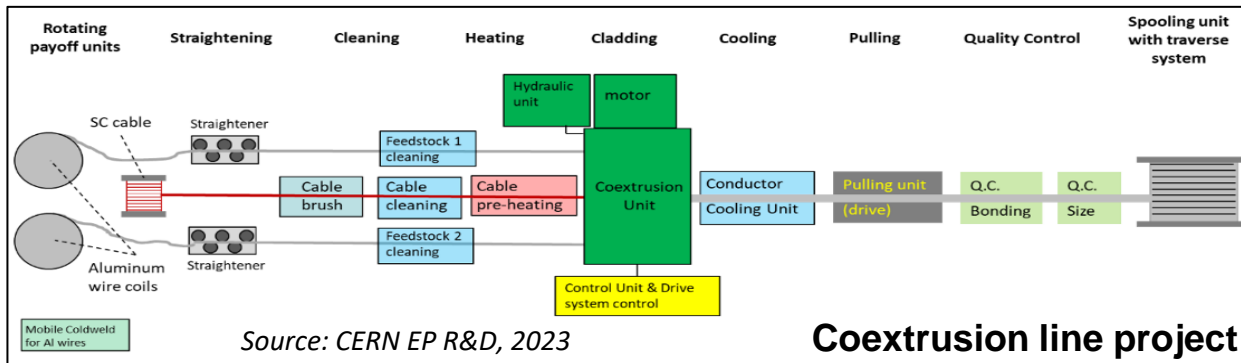
Produce demonstrator lengths in view of scaling up to production for future detector magnet conductors.

**Set up a coextrusion + coldwork line to perform**

1. R&D with LTS (and HTS),
2. Production of demonstrator lengths,
3. Future production of superconductors.

**Establish a sustainable solution**

1. For future needs,
2. With industrial partner,
3. Internalization in a lab. as an option.

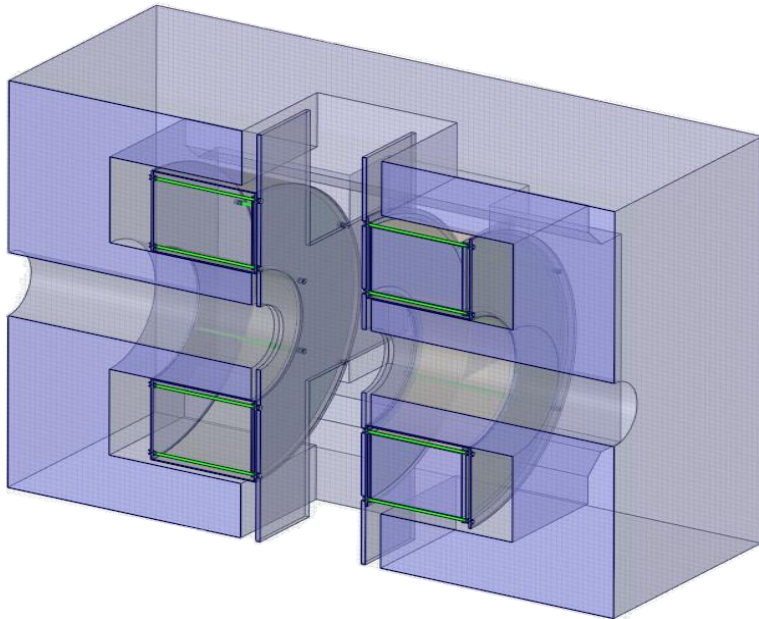


# WP8.3 Demonstrator magnets

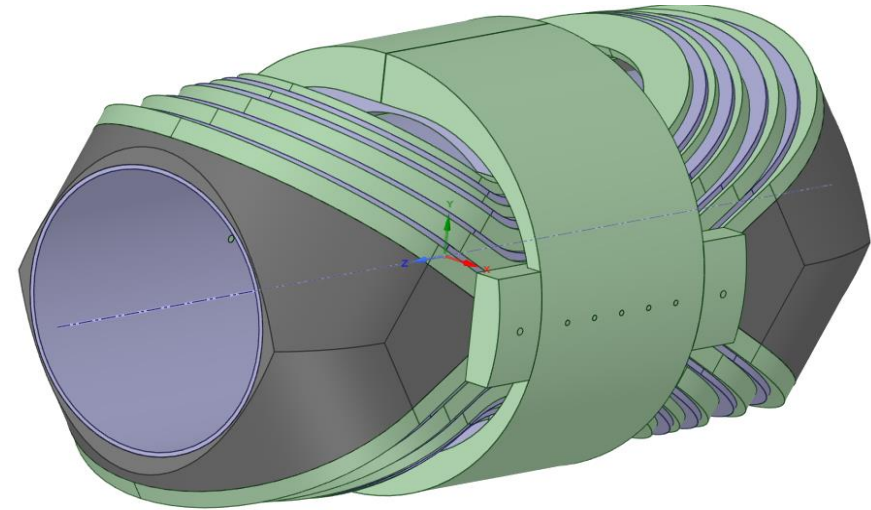
## Completed activity:

Conceptual design of a large bore (1m) 4-T magnet for a test beam facility.

- ✓ Two concepts developed: a Split Coil Solenoid and a Dipole



*4 T superconducting split-coil solenoid  
conceptual design*



*"Magnadon" preliminary conceptual design  
of a 4 T superconducting dipole*

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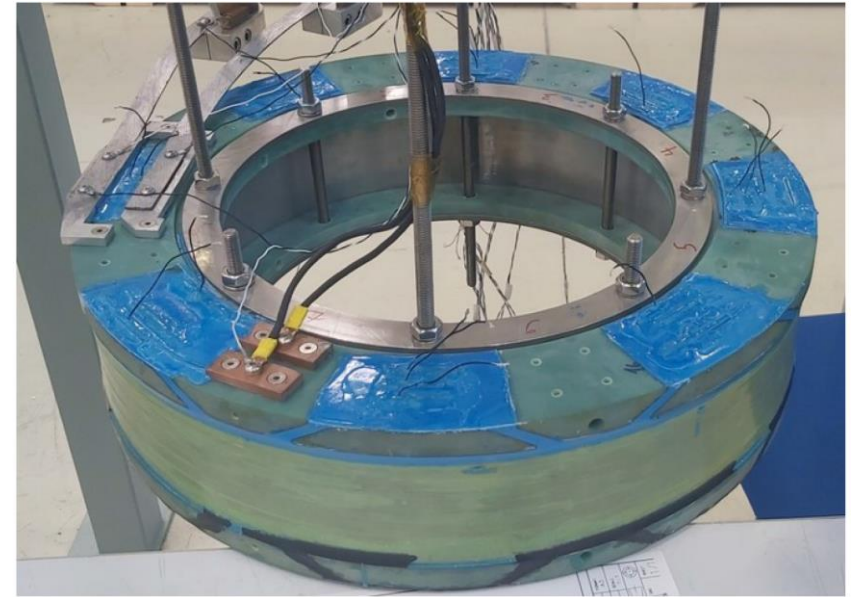
## Completed activities:

Design and construction of a prototype to validate a novel co-wound coil concept :

- Featuring interleaved layers of insulated superconducting (Nb-Ti/Cu) and insulated normal-conducting copper strands,
- Demonstrator coil design and winding completed in 2023 (special thanks to Francois Garnier and EP-DT colleagues).

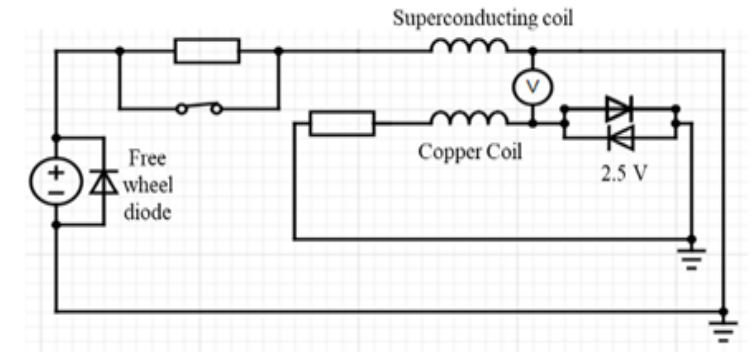
First demonstration test expected in the coming months:

- Intrinsic suppression of inductive noise, high-sensitivity and low-complexity quench detection,
- Lowering voltage and hot spot temperature during quench.



*Co-wound Cu-stab LTS Demo coils (2023)*

**Winding done at CERN by EP-DT team**



*Co-winding concept (2023)*

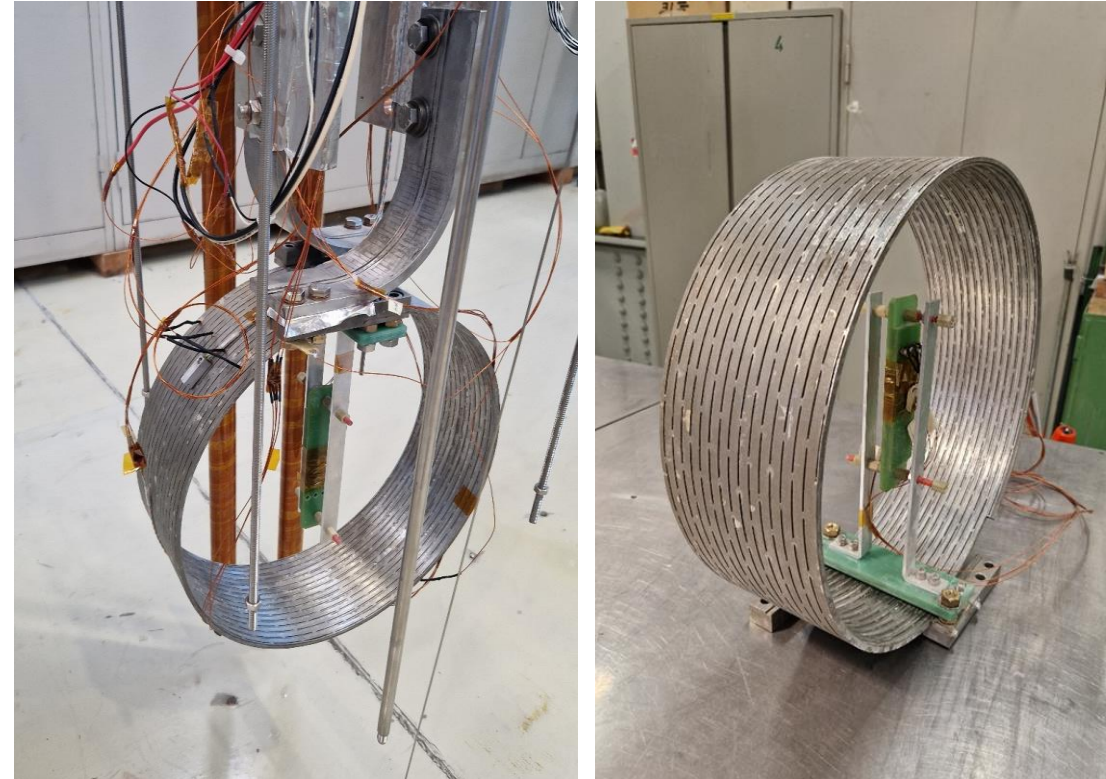
# WP8.3 Demonstrator magnets

## Completed activities:

Design, construction and test of aluminium stabilized self-protected HTS coils:

- 3D-printed aluminium alloy and Cu&Sn-electroplated cylindrical support,
- stack of 4 REBCO tapes,
- Successfully tested up to 4.4kA at 30K (1.2kA at 77K),
- Stability validated against local quench.

**Poster session**



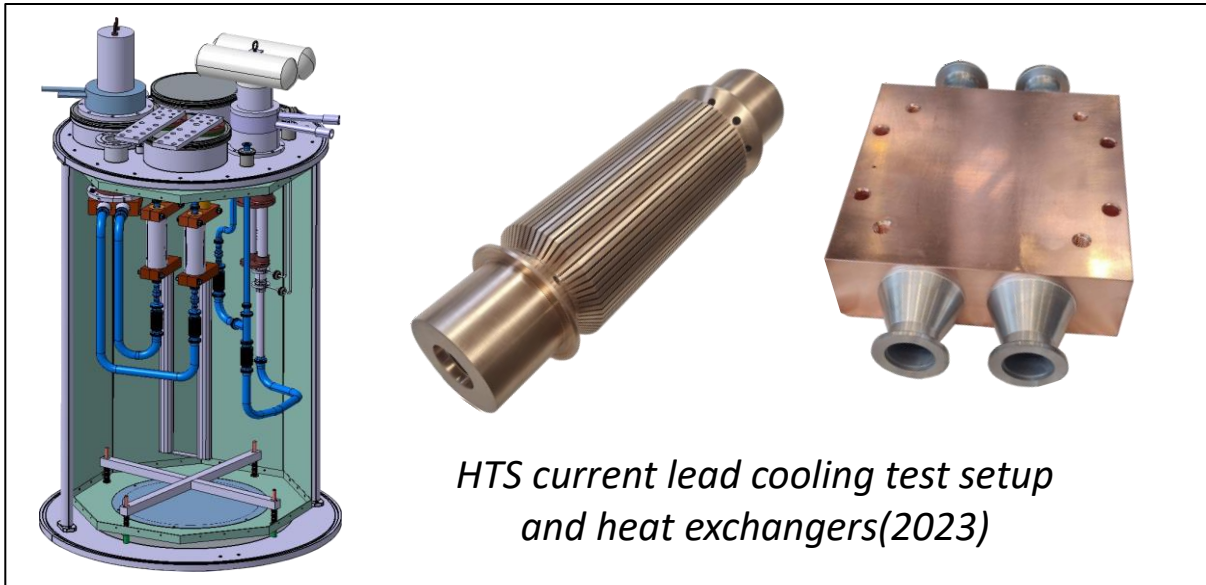
*Al-stab. HTS Demo coils (2023)*

# WP8.4 Magnet controls and instrumentation

## Completed activities:

- New test facility designed & assembled (4.4K, up to 4.5kA, 5T, Ø200mm bore),
- Design & tests of N<sub>2</sub> boiling thermosiphons for hybrid current lead cooling,
- Design of cryocooler-based remote cooling for HTS hybrid current leads.

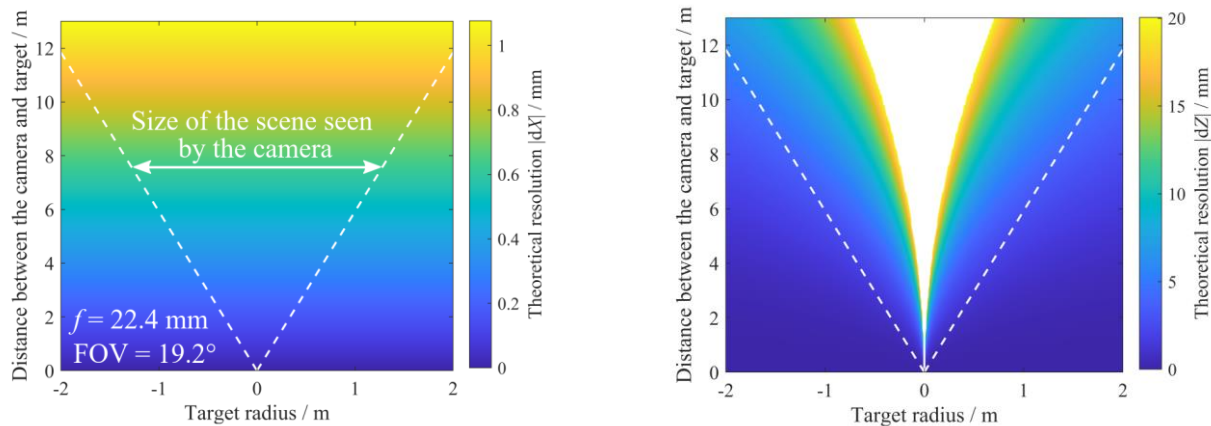
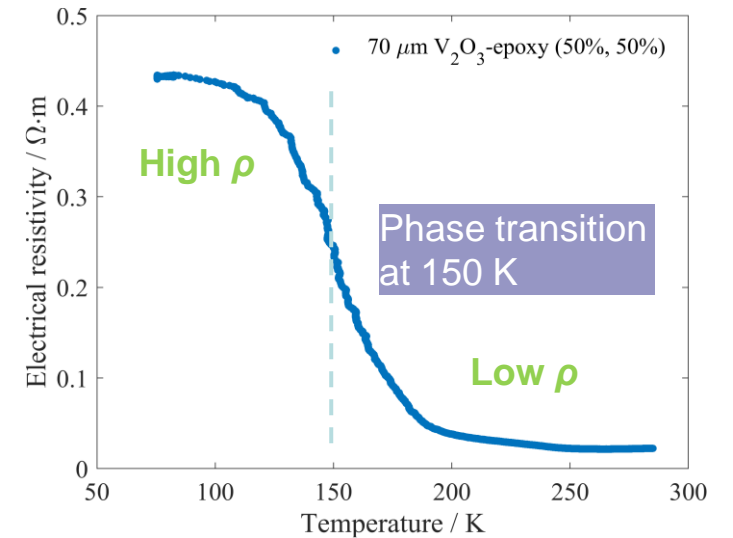
### Poster session



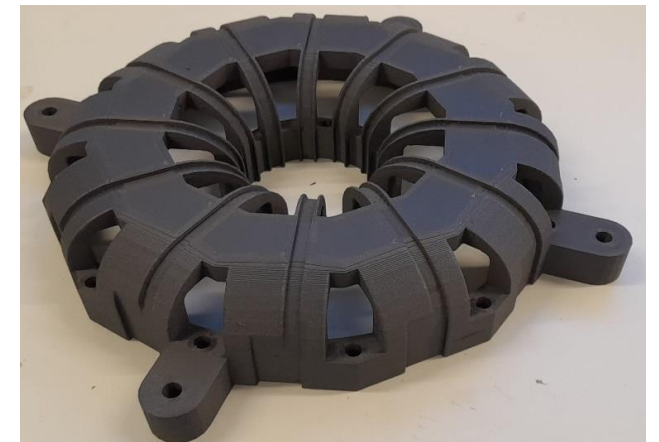
# WP8.4 Magnet controls and instrumentation

## Other completed activities:

- Study of an innovative insulation system for HTS coils using  $V_2O_3$  epoxy composite (insulator to metal phase transition at  $\sim 150K$ ),
- Study of stability at 77K of 3-D printed plastics materials,
- Study of applicability of optical positioning systems for field mapping versus encoder-based systems.



*Optical position mapping: photogrammetry with one camera and time-of-flight laser distance meter in Z*



*3D-printed part using carbon-fiber reinforced PET-G (PolyEthylene Terephthalate Glycol)*

# Motivations for WP8 extension beyond 2023



# The 2021 ECFA Detector Research and Development Roadmap

## DRDT 8.1: *Develop Novel Magnet Systems –*

### *Summary of the key technologies needed, as listed in the ECFA report :*

#### Magnets for collider experiments:

- Development of next generation of **Al-stabilized high-yield strength Rutherford cable superconductors** and prototyping for 30-40 kA large coils placed behind calorimeters.
- **R&D on conductors and prototyping for thin conductors Al/Cu/NbTi** for small coils placed in front of the calorimeters.
- Long term: development of **high temperature superconductors for coils and current leads**.
- **R&D for assemblies** with dual solenoids for magnetic shielding.

#### Magnet for non-collider experiments:

- large volume magnets for axion searches [...], *and high field*

**Development of quench protection, energy extraction and high voltage designs for coils with high energy/mass ratios is also needed.**

#### **Integration (Task Force 8)**

Magnet requirements are very specific to the design of the detector. Considering the very long lead time, generic R&D programmes must be established and maintained on dedicated conductors and prototyping to achieve the variety of magnet specifications.

# Conclusions of the Superconducting Detector Magnet Workshop-2022



## What we need to resume / do next ?

### Investigate multiple approaches for Al-stabilized SC

- Cooperation with industry
  - NbTi/Cu cable, Al-co-extrusion, Assembly with Al-reinforcement
  - Cost-effective approach need to be seriously investigated
- **Laboratory own effort**, in particular on
  - **Al-coextrusion facility and own R&D for leading technology advances**

**Seek for common SC and magnet design concept**, even part, for cost-effective development,

**Seek for worldwide cooperation among laboratories and industry**

# Context

## Future Physics Experiments anticipated :

- **Colliders:**

Alice3 (CERN), FCC-ee -hh -he (CERN), CLIC(CERN), Muon Collider (CERN), ILC (IDR,SLAC), CEPC (IHEP), Panda (GSI/Fair), EIC(BNL, J-Lab).

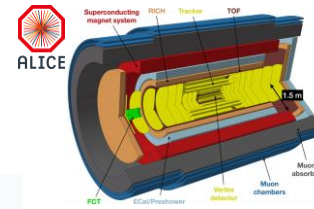
- **Non-Colliders:**

Babylaxo (Desy), SHiP (CERN), Muon Beam Experiments (Comet-KEK, Mu2e-Fermilab), MadMax (Desy), AMS100 (RWTHAachen)

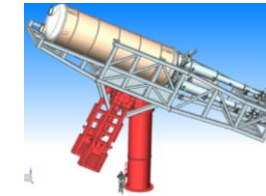
➔ **More than 15 projects with SC magnets**

- either:
- Under construction,
  - Design phase,
  - Conceptual phase.

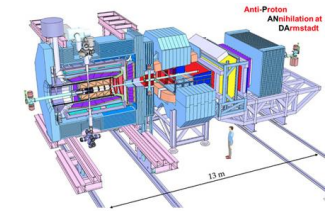
**Mainly Alu-stabilized superconductors.**



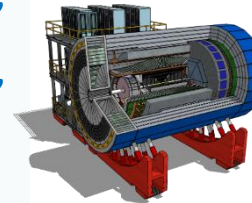
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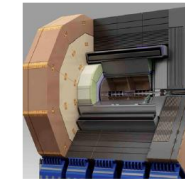
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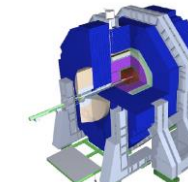
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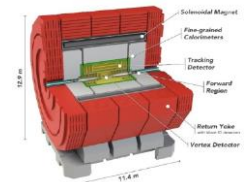
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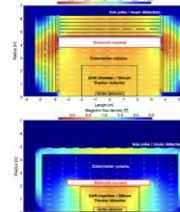
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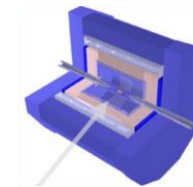
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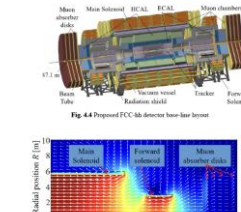
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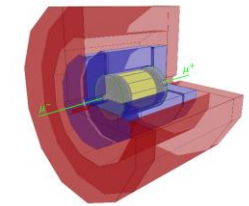
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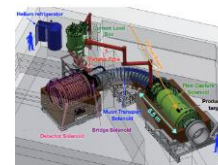
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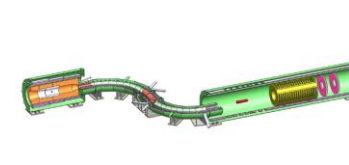
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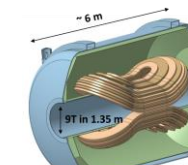
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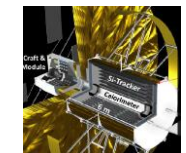
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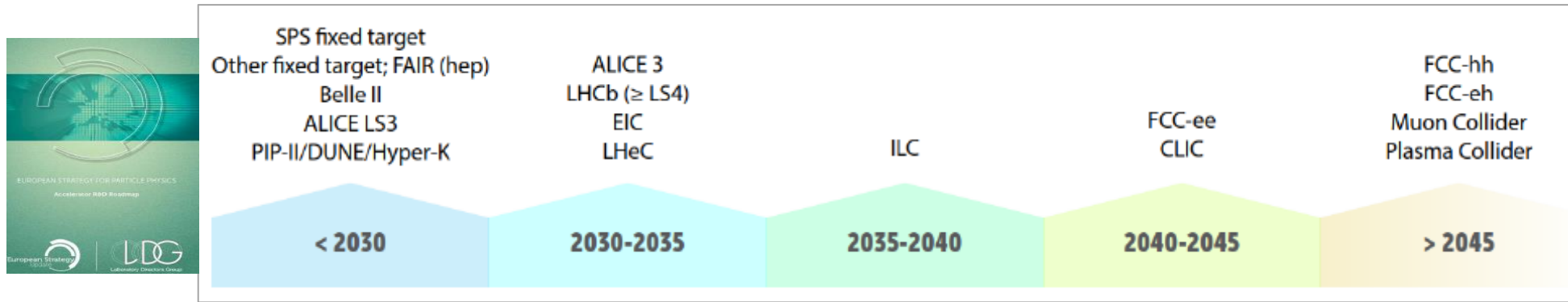


MadMax



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# Timeline of High Energy Physics projects



Future proposed particle physics experiments being studied: from LDG Accelerator R&D Report, [CERN 2022-001](#)

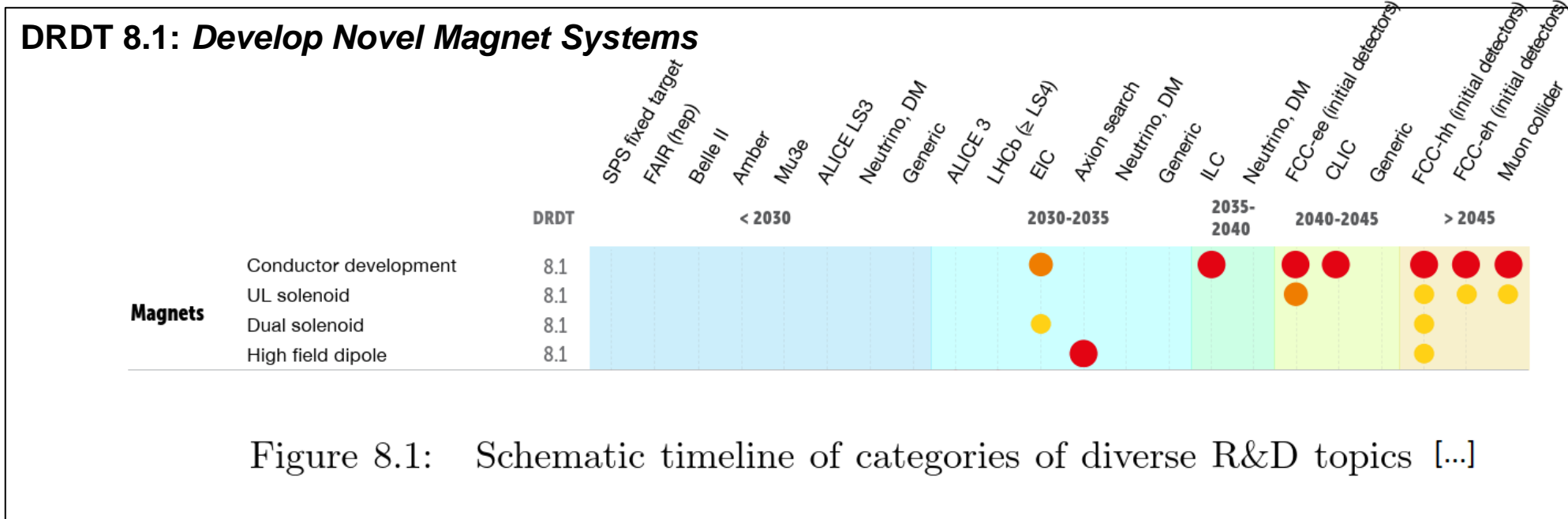


Figure 8.1: Schematic timeline of categories of diverse R&D topics [...]

# Status and plans for 2024-2028

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Keep same WP8 sub-work packages,

Building on the 1st phase of the program 2020-2023.

**WP8.1 - Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets**

**WP8.2 - Aluminum-stabilized reinforced superconductors**

**WP8.3 - Demonstrator magnets**

**WP8.4 - Magnet controls and instrumentation**

# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets

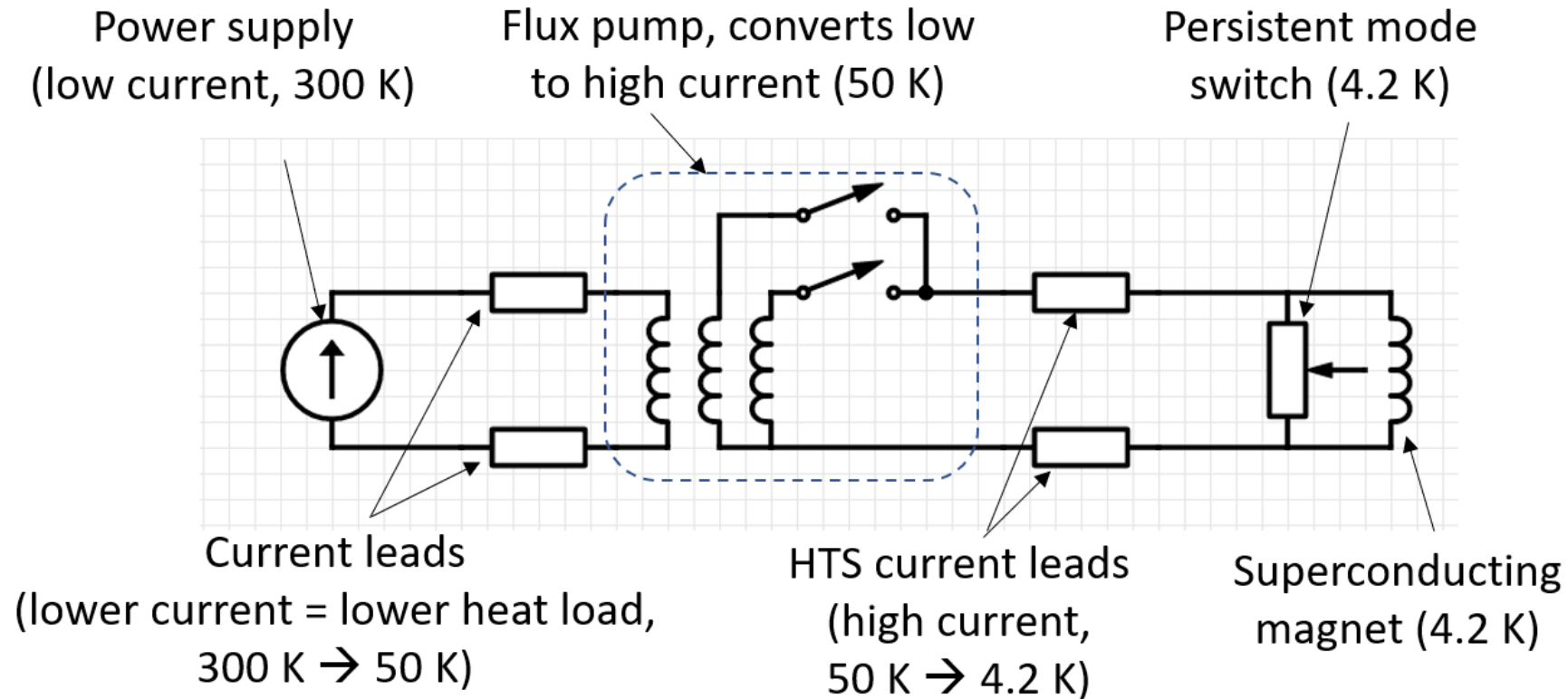
## Objectives:

Study and develop powering systems based on HTS for detector magnets, to improve cost-efficiency and sustainability with reduced energy consumption.

- Study power distribution and converter technologies giving minimal cryogenic heat load, moving beyond the present state-of-the-art for superconducting detector magnets,
- Develop HTS-based aluminium-stabilized conductors for busbars connecting coils, but also for the coils themselves.

Advantage: HTS allows for much higher operating temperature (= lower cryogenic cost) and higher magnetic fields in the bore, albeit presently at higher capital cost for the conductor itself.

# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets



*Powering Circuit optimum configuration*



# WP8.1 Advanced magnet powering for high-stored energy detector magnets

## Work plan 2024-2028

Year	Deliverable
1	HTS conductor and current lead demonstrators
2	Powering systems for a test facility (5kA): HTS flux Pump and HTS switch prototypes design and test.
3	HTS powering system demonstrator: prototype design.
4	HTS powering system demonstrator test.
5	Study for a large-scale magnet application.

# WP8.2 Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors

## Objectives:

- Re-establishing manufacturing of aluminium stabilized LTS (Nb-Ti) superconductors,
  - by setting up a **co-extrusion and coldwork** facility,
  - to perform **prototyping with demo conductor** lengths, and R&D for on-going projects.
- Perform further developments of this technology with HTS conductors.

## First part of the work plan:

- Place a contract to industry to produce demonstrator lengths.
  - Using a **facility available now in industry**,
  - Qualification done with sample testing at CERN with **EN & TE Dpts expertise and support**,
  - Benefit from available **expertise within the WG**.
  - **Gain knowledge** through this exercise.
- **On-going**, aiming at placing a contract second half 2024.

# WP8.2 Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors

## Second part of the work plan (launched in parallel to the 1st one):

- Build a new facility with an industrial partner aiming at a sustainable solution
  - **Business case** to be validated first by industry (production volume low if only detector magnets; cable market is highly competitive); **study on-going**.
  - **Either in industry** with support from institute(s), **or in an institute** with industrial support (retaining the possibility of internalization if the industrial partner decides to withdraw).
- Large budget required, including availability of a manufacturing hall, investment in equipment and associated infrastructure, trained staff, etc.

Requires funds external to the EP R&D WP8 budget.
- Such a facility will offer as well the possibility to :
  1. Extend the R&D to **coextruded Al-stabilized HTS**: BSCCO, MgB<sub>2</sub>, (etc.) in various configurations,
  2. Develop, and potentially produce, with **dedicated funds**, final conductors for projects.

# WP8.2 Aluminium-stabilized reinforced superconductors

## Work plan 2024-2028

Year	Deliverable
1	First coextrusion tests with dummy conductor. Sample testing at CERN. Study on installing a dedicated line (external funds).
2	Second coextrusion test series with dummy and/or real Rutherford cable, and cold work tests using short lengths. Sample testing at CERN.
3	Manufacturing of trial lengths with coextrusion and coldwork lines. Quality control testing on samples at CERN.
4	Coextrusion and coldwork of conductor demonstrator. Quality control testing on samples at CERN.
5	Long length prototype manufacturing and reporting. Sample testing at CERN.

# WP8.3 Demonstrator magnets

## Objectives:

Develop and keep expertise in-house on LTS and HTS magnet design and assembly, covering various fields such as mechanics, integration, winding, splices, protection, powering, cryogenics, vacuum vessel, quench detection and protection.

## Demonstrate new technologies through:

- Study and construction of demonstrator magnets,
- Comprehensive effort, from conductor to vacuum vessel,
- Small and cost-effective coils, allowing step-by-step design and trials,
- Novel method for simplified quench detection and significantly reducing voltage during a quench, applicable for both LTS and HTS.

# WP8.3 Demonstrator magnets

## Work plan 2024-2028

- Test the co-wound demonstrator coil,
- Extend the concept(s) to novel HTS demo coils.

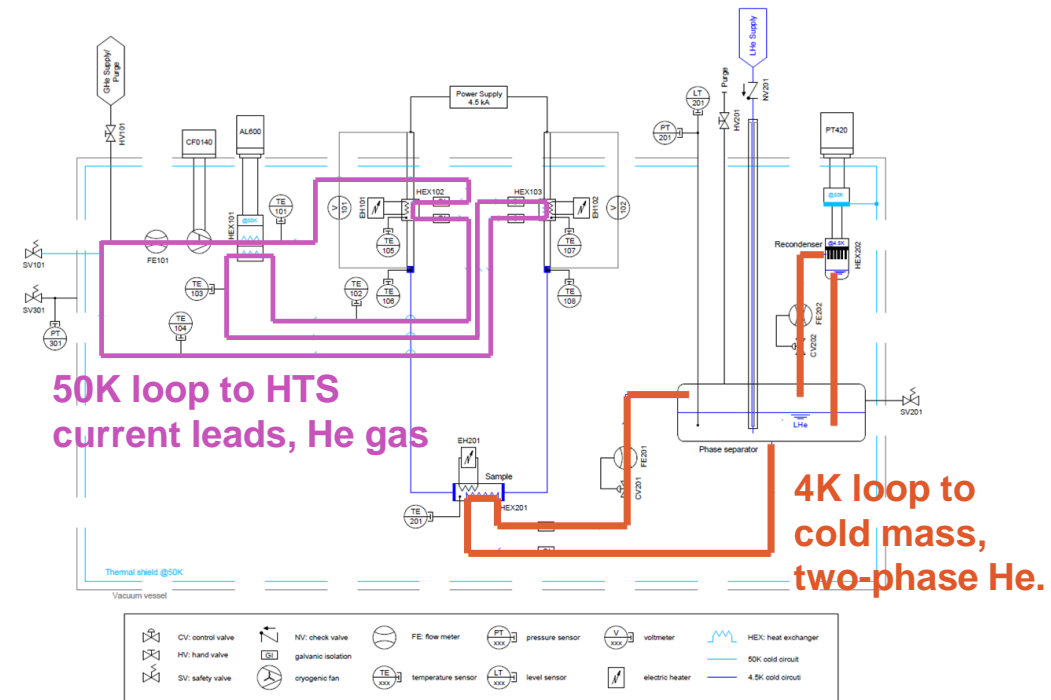
Year	Deliverable
1	Modelling of demonstrator coils, technical report. Coil winding (NbTi and HTS).
2	Preliminary test report and final specifications.
3	Demonstrators testing and reporting.
4	Study for large scale magnet application and report.

# WP8.4 Magnet controls and instrumentation

## Objectives:

Design and assembly of specific instrumentation and test setups for the studies on HTS superconducting Al-stabilized cables and coils performed in the other WP8 sub-workpackages.

- **A cryocooler facility** to test hybrid current leads cooling and thermosiphon cooling.
- **An HTS test setup** will be developed with anti-Dewar to test up to 70K with background magnetic field up to 5 T.
- **Specific PID control** will be developed and installed with the support of the EP-DT-DI team.



Remote and thermosiphon cooling with cryocoolers  
Courtesy W. Gluchowska et al. (2024)

# WP8.4 Magnet controls and instrumentation

## Work plan 2024-2028

Year	Deliverable
1	HTS test setup development. Technical specification and report.
2	Cryocooler installation with instrumentation.
3	Simulation and validation tests, report.
4	Final report.



# Summary

## EP R&D WP8 Program Proposal 2024-2028

- WP8.1: Advanced Magnet Powering for high-stored energy detector magnets
  - For reduced power consumption and sustainable science
- WP8.2: Aluminum-stabilized (reinforced) conductor technology
  - Enables SC technology for future superconducting detector magnet projects
- WP8.4: Demonstrator magnets, to demonstrate technology for future superconducting detector magnets
  - Allows to demonstrate new technologies developed in the context of EP R&D
- WP8.5: Magnet controls and instrumentation
  - Expand the use of cryocooler with novel approaches, and support activities of sub-WPs 8.1, 8.2, and 8.3.

**Thank you for your attention 😊**

# Backup Slides

# Conclusions of the Superconducting Detector Magnet Workshop-2022



## Outlook:

- Al-stabilized superconductor/magnet technology needs to be resumed,
- Industrial cooperation to be anticipated and strongly encouraged, in particular,
  - “Co-extrusion technology” of Al-stabilizer and NbTi/Cu-conductor to be resumed and widely available, and
  - “Hybrid-structure technology” by using electron beam welding (EBW) or by other approaches, to maximize the performance of Al-stabilized SC (Ni or Cu/Mg doped) combined with ultimately high-strength Al-alloy structure.
- **Laboratory’s leading effort will be very important to advance the technology to be openly transferred to the industry.**

## Remarks:

- It will be **also important** to investigate/seek for backup solutions such as soldering technology of NbTi/Cu conductor with Cu stabilizer, Cu-coated Al-stabilizer, and/or CICC.
- In long-term future, Al-stabilized HTS will provide important potential in specific detector magnet applications.



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