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## The NICA project at JINR, Dubna

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Strangeness in Quark Matter  
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# The Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility (NICA) at Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR), Dubna

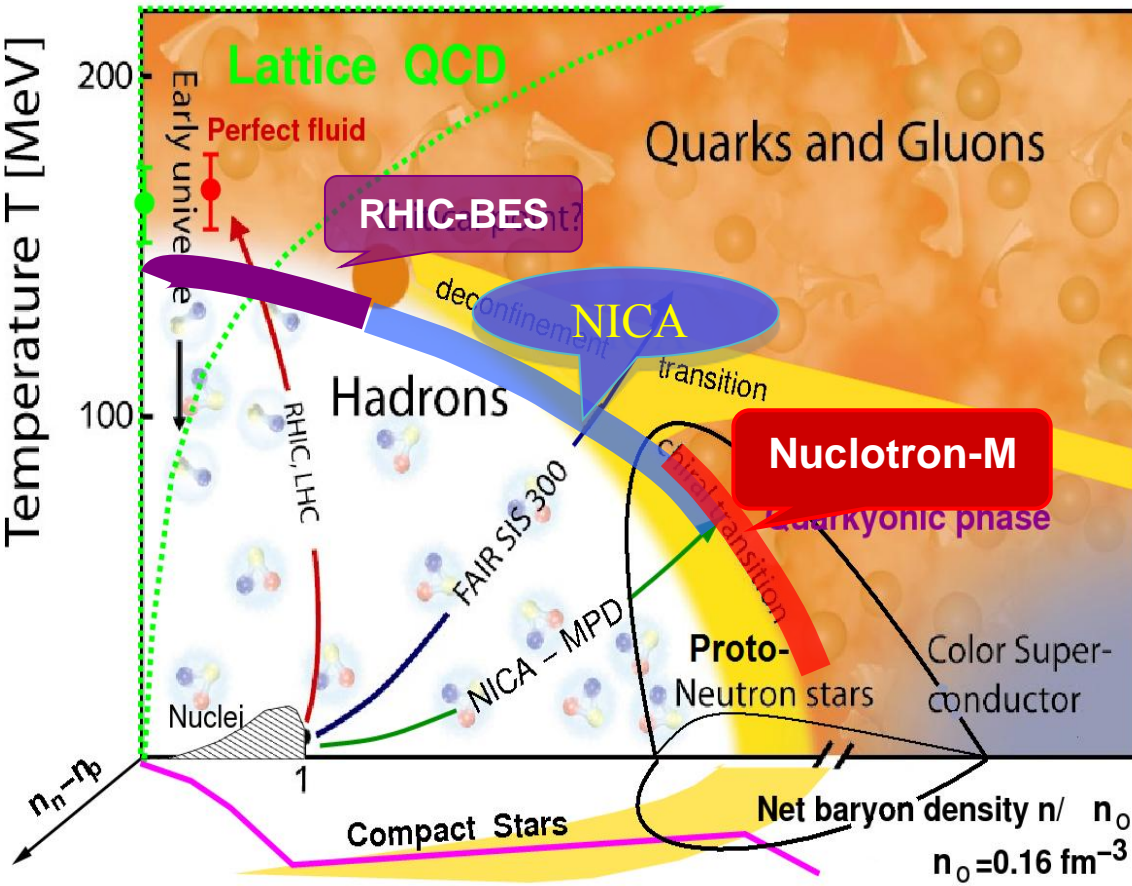
Main targets of **NICA**:

- *study of hot and dense baryonic matter*
- *investigation of nucleon spin structure, polarization phenomena*

**NICA** will provide intensive beams of ions from **p** to **Au** and polarized **protons** and **deuterons** with maximal energy up to

$$\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11 \text{ GeV (Au}^{79+}) \text{ and } 27 \text{ GeV (p)}$$

# QCD phase diagram: prospects for NICA



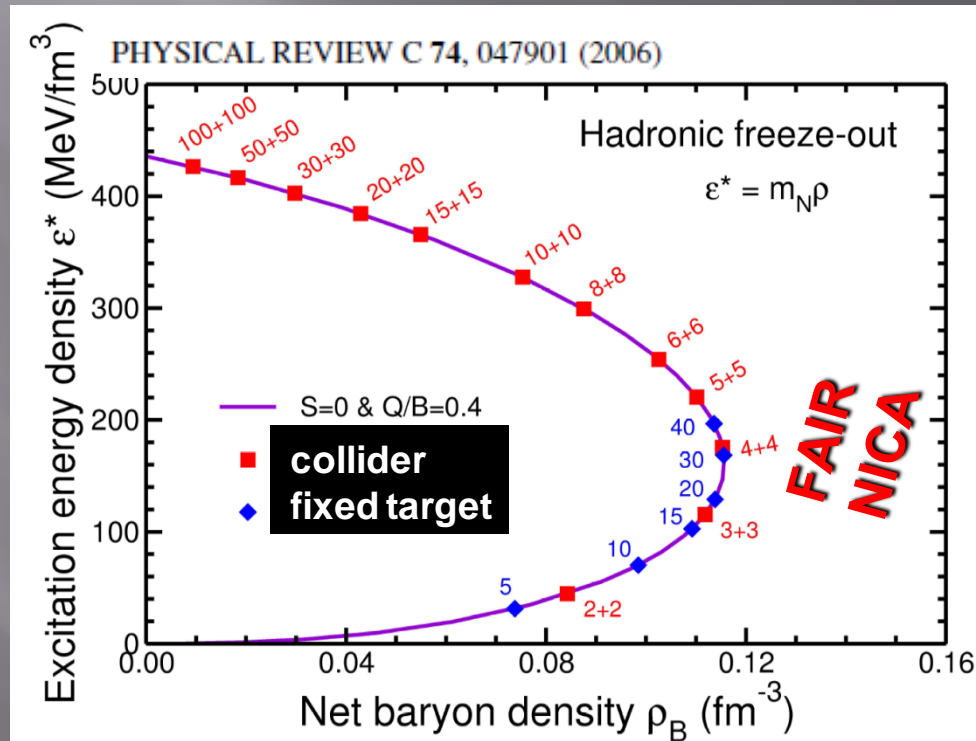
**Energy Range of NICA**  
unexplored region of the QCD phase diagram:

- Highest net baryon density
- Onset of deconfinement phase transition
- Discovery potential:
  - a) Critical End Point (CEP)
  - b) Chiral Symmetry Restoration
  - c) Hypothetic Quarkyonic phase
- Complementary to the RHIC/BES, NA61/CERN, CBM/FAIR and Nuclotron-M experimental programs

**Comprehensive experimental program requires scan over the QCD phase diagram by varying collision parameters: system size, beam energy and collision centrality.** NICA provides capabilities for studying a variety of phenomena in a large region of the phase diagram.

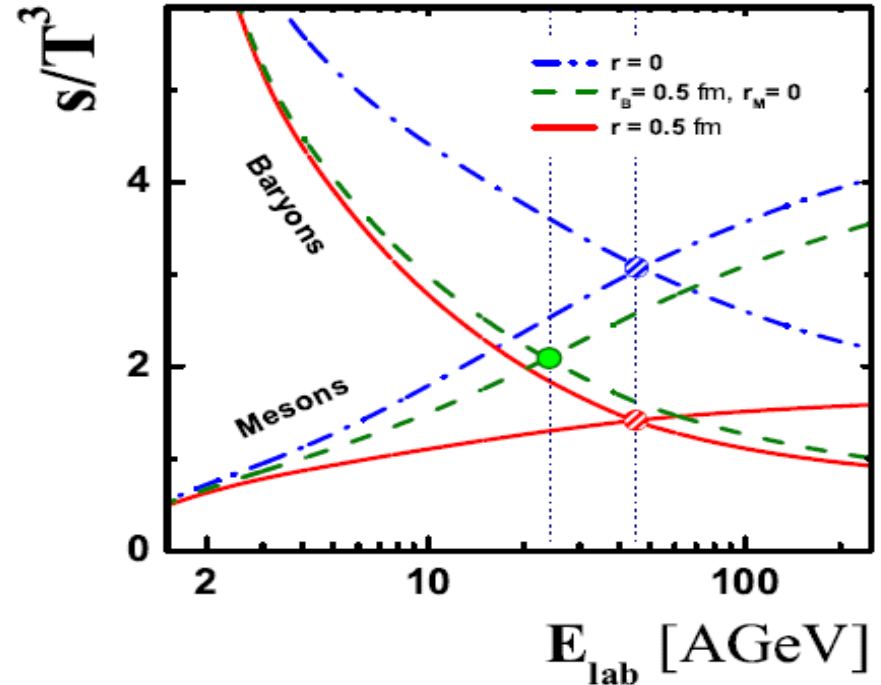
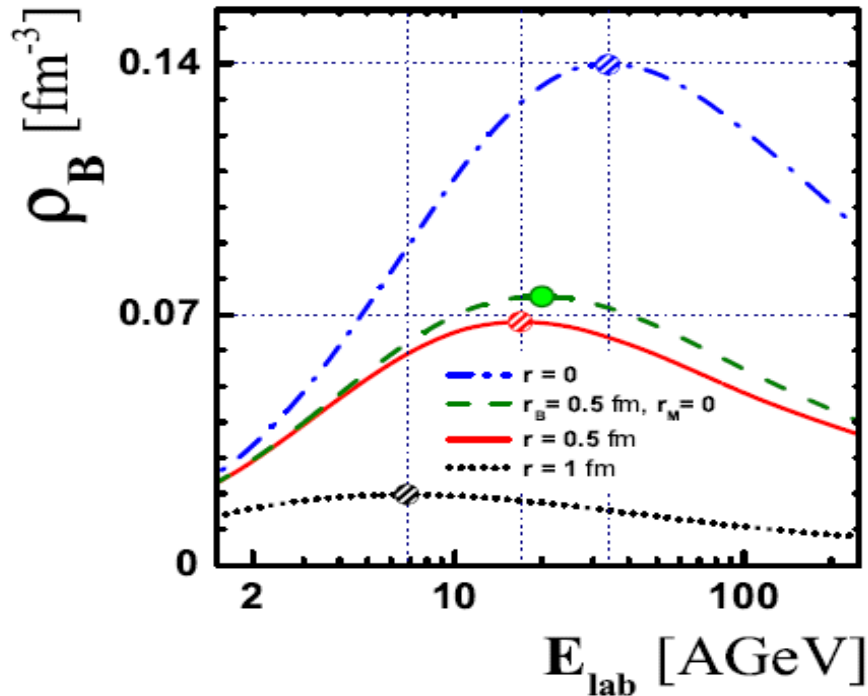
# Highest baryon density at Lab

System of maximal net baryon (freeze-out) density is created in A+A collisions at NICA energies → optimum for the compressed baryon matter exploration

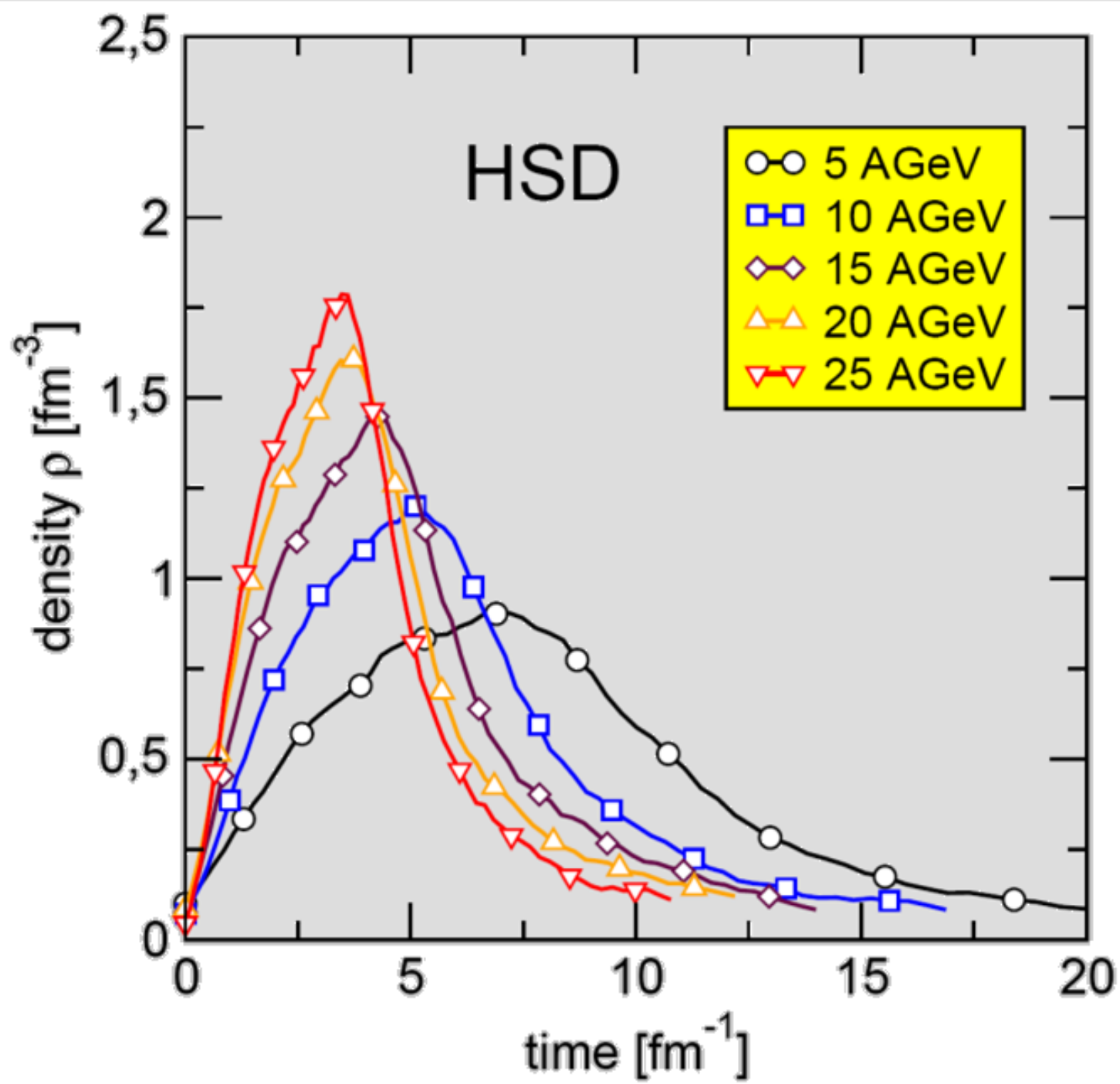


# Excluded volume effects on baryon density and transition from baryon to meson dominated matter

V. V. Begun, M. Gaździcki, M. I. Gorenstein (2013)

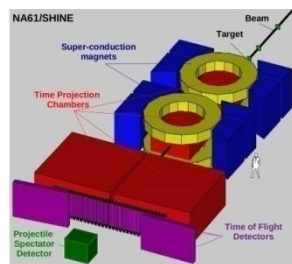
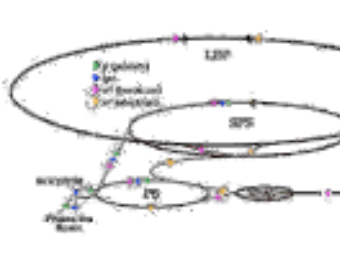
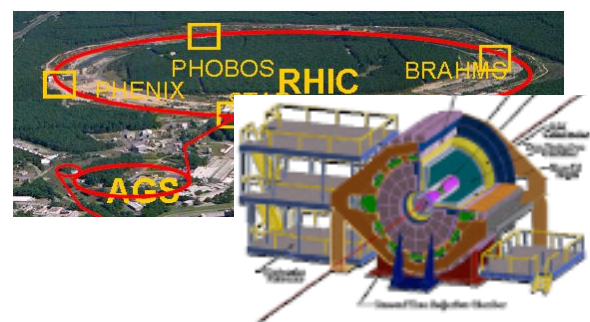


By varying the hadron radii in the range  $r = (0-1.0)$  fm the collision energy at which the baryon density is maximal changes between 7A and 34A GeV. This range is fully covered by the NICA collider. Thus experiments at NICA will allow to study in detail freeze-out conditions in heavy ion collisions in the domain of their rapid changes and the relation to the onset of deconfinement.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> generation HI experiments

BES STAR/PHENIX@BNL/RHIC

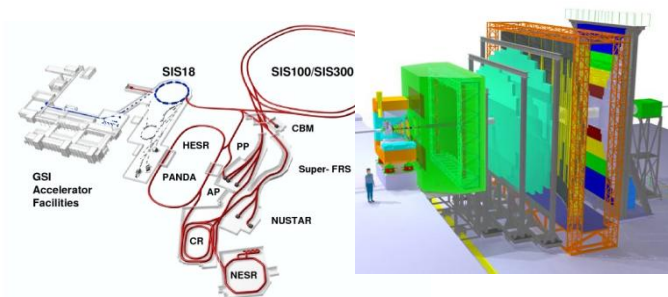


NA61@CERN/SPS

## 3<sup>rd</sup> generation HI experiments

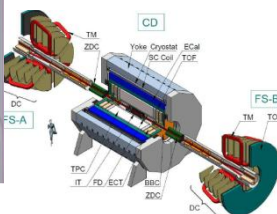
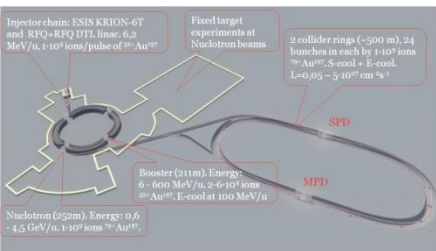
CBM@FAIR/SIS-100/300

Fixed target,  $E/A=10-40$  GeV, highest intensity

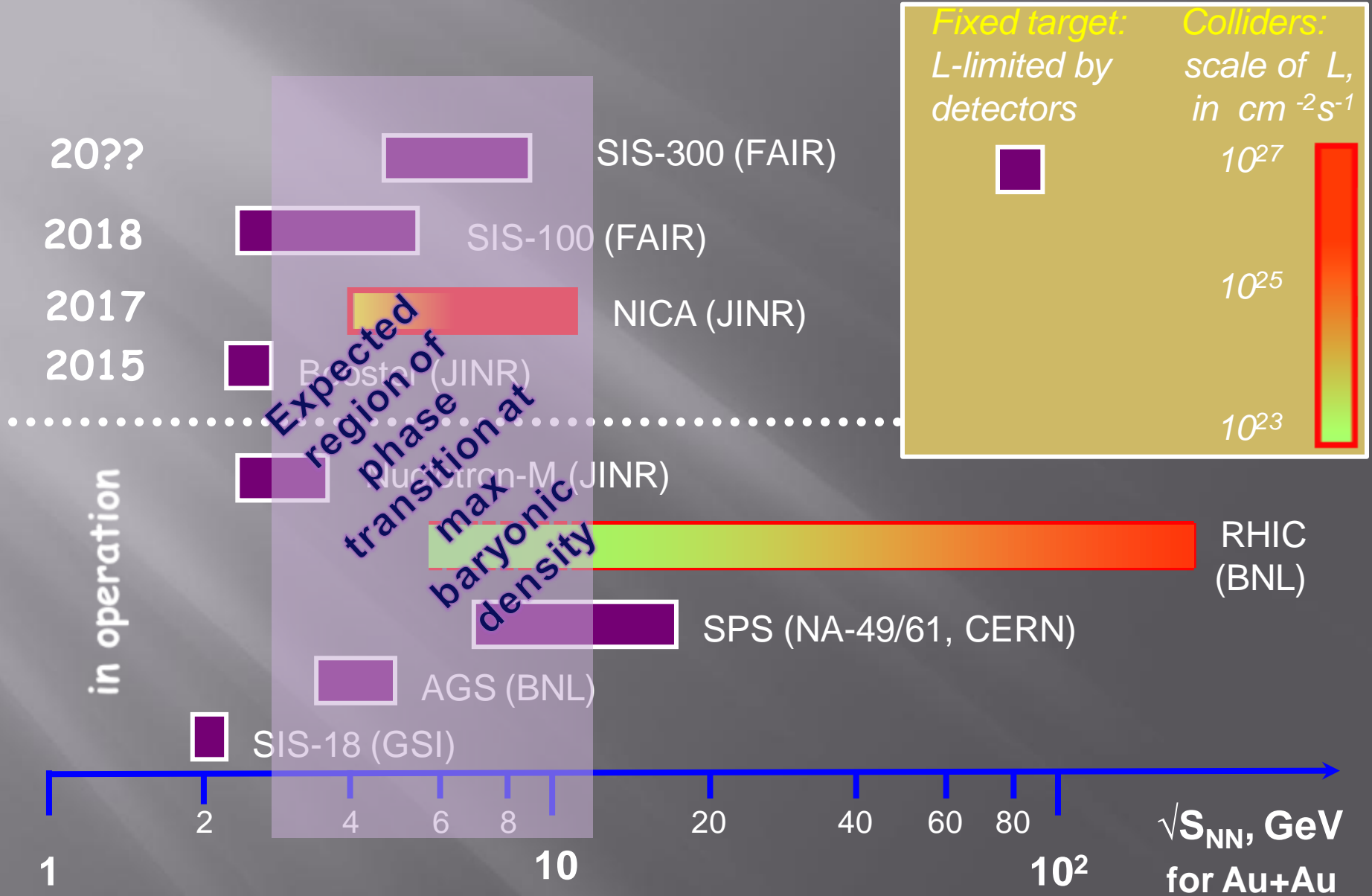


MPD@JINR/NICA

Collider,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4-11$  GeV,  $L \sim 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  for  $\text{Au}^{79+}$



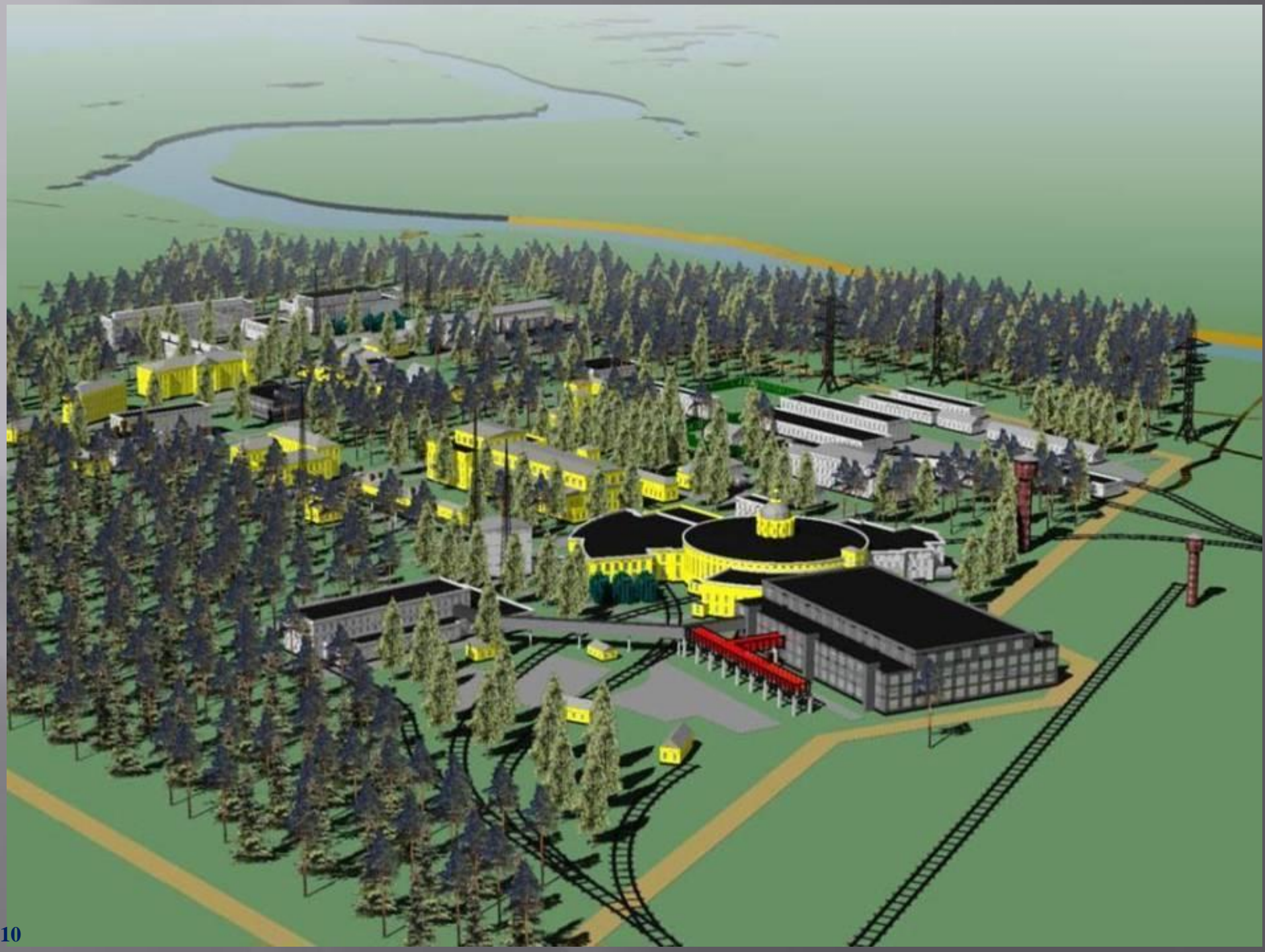
# Existing & Future HI Machines





# ***NICA site***



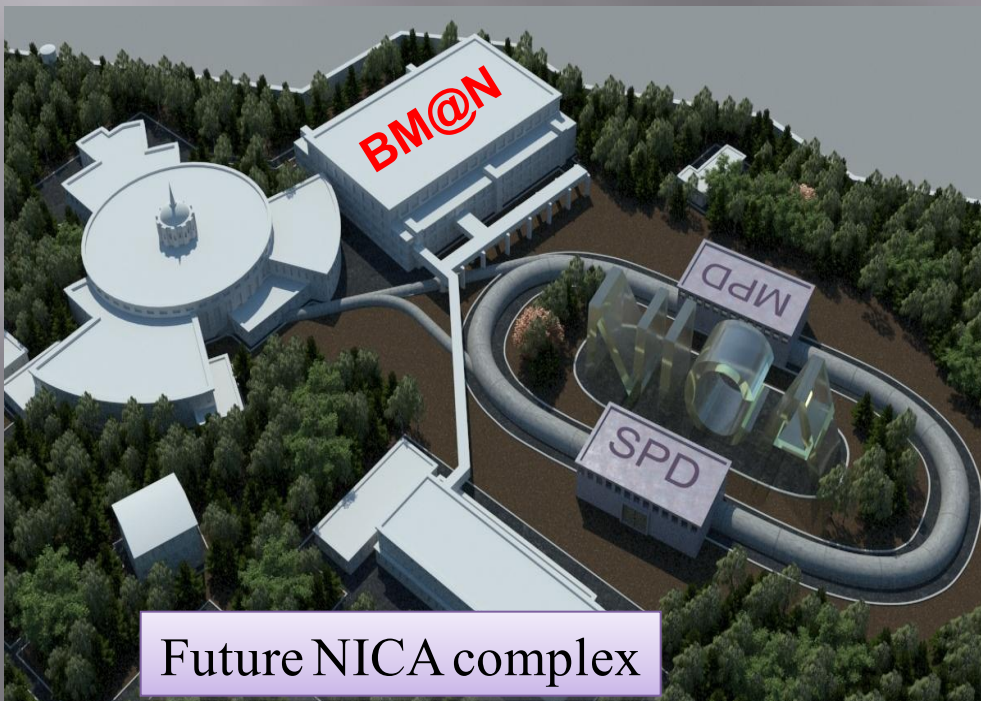




Nuclotron



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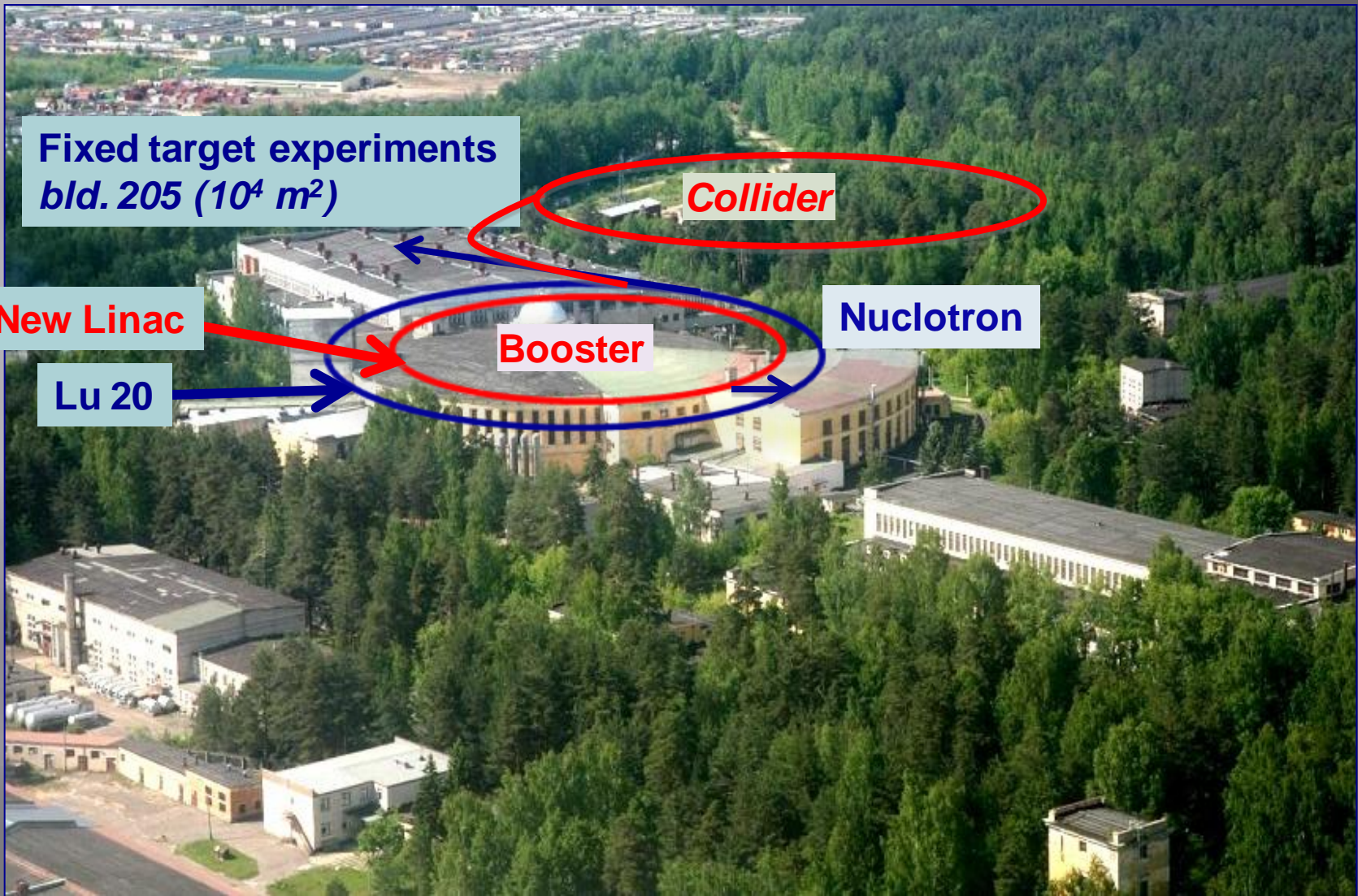


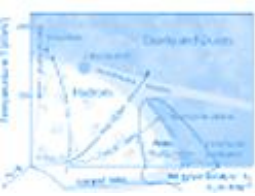
Future NICA complex



Synchrophasotron

# Nuclotron-based Ion Collider Facility (NICA)





1a) Heavy ion colliding beams  $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+} \times ^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$  at

$\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 11 \text{ GeV}$  (1  $\div$  4.5 GeV/u ion kinetic energy)

at **Lverage** =  $1\text{E}27 \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$  (at  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 9 \text{ GeV}$ )

1b) Light-Heavy ion colliding beams of the same energy range and luminosity

2) Polarized beams of protons and deuterons in collider mode:

$p\uparrow p\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 12 \div 27 \text{ GeV}$  (5  $\div$  12.6 GeV kinetic energy )

$d\uparrow d\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 13.8 \text{ GeV}$  (2  $\div$  5.9 GeV/u ion kinetic energy

**Lverage**  $> 1\text{E}31 \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$  (at  $\sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 27 \text{ GeV}$ )

3) The beams of light ions and polarized protons and deuterons for fixed target experiments:

**Li  $\div$  Au** = 1  $\div$  4.5 GeV /u ion kinetic energy

**p, p $\uparrow$**  = 5  $\div$  12.6 GeV kinetic energy

**d, d $\uparrow$**  = 2  $\div$  5.9 GeV/u ion kinetic energy

4) Applied research with ion beams at kinetic energy

from 0.5 GeV/u up to 12.6 GeV (**p**) and 4.5 GeV /u (**Au**)

Beam	Nuclotron beam intensity (particle per cycle)		
	Current	Ion source type	New ion source + booster
p	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	Duoplasmatron	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
d	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	--- ,, ---	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
$^4\text{He}$	$8 \cdot 10^8$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^{12}$
d↑	$2 \cdot 10^8$	SPI	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$
$^7\text{Li}$	$8 \cdot 10^8$	Laser	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$
$^{11,10}\text{B}$	$1 \cdot 10^{9,8}$	--- ,, ---	
$^{12}\text{C}$	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
$^{24}\text{Mg}$	$2 \cdot 10^7$	--- ,, ---	
$^{14}\text{N}$	$1 \cdot 10^7$	ESIS ("Krion-6T")	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
$^{24}\text{Ar}$	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
$^{56}\text{Fe}$	$2 \cdot 10^6$	--- ,, ---	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
$^{84}\text{Kr}$	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$
$^{124}\text{Xe}$	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$
$^{197}\text{Au}$	-	--- ,, ---	$1 \cdot 10^9$

# Superconducting accelerator complex **NICA**

(**N**uclotron based **I**on **C**ollider **f**Acility)

2-nd IP - open  
for proposals

Fixed target experiments  
area (b.205)

Extracted beams from  
Nuclotron

Nuclotron

KRION-6T  
and HILac  
(3,5 MeV/u)

SPP and  
LU-20  
(5 MeV/u)

Nuclotron  
0,6-4,5 GeV/u

Cryogenics

Booster (3-660 MeV/u)  
inside Synchrotron  
yoke

**NICA Collider**  
(1-4,5 GeV/u, C~500 m)

HV  
e-cooler

Multi-Purpose  
Detector (MPD)

## NICA Collider parameters:

- Energy range:  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4-11$  GeV
- Beams: from p to Au
- Luminosity:  $L \sim 10^{27}$  (Au),  $10^{32}$  (p)
- Detectors: MPD; 2-nd is waiting for Proposals

# NICA

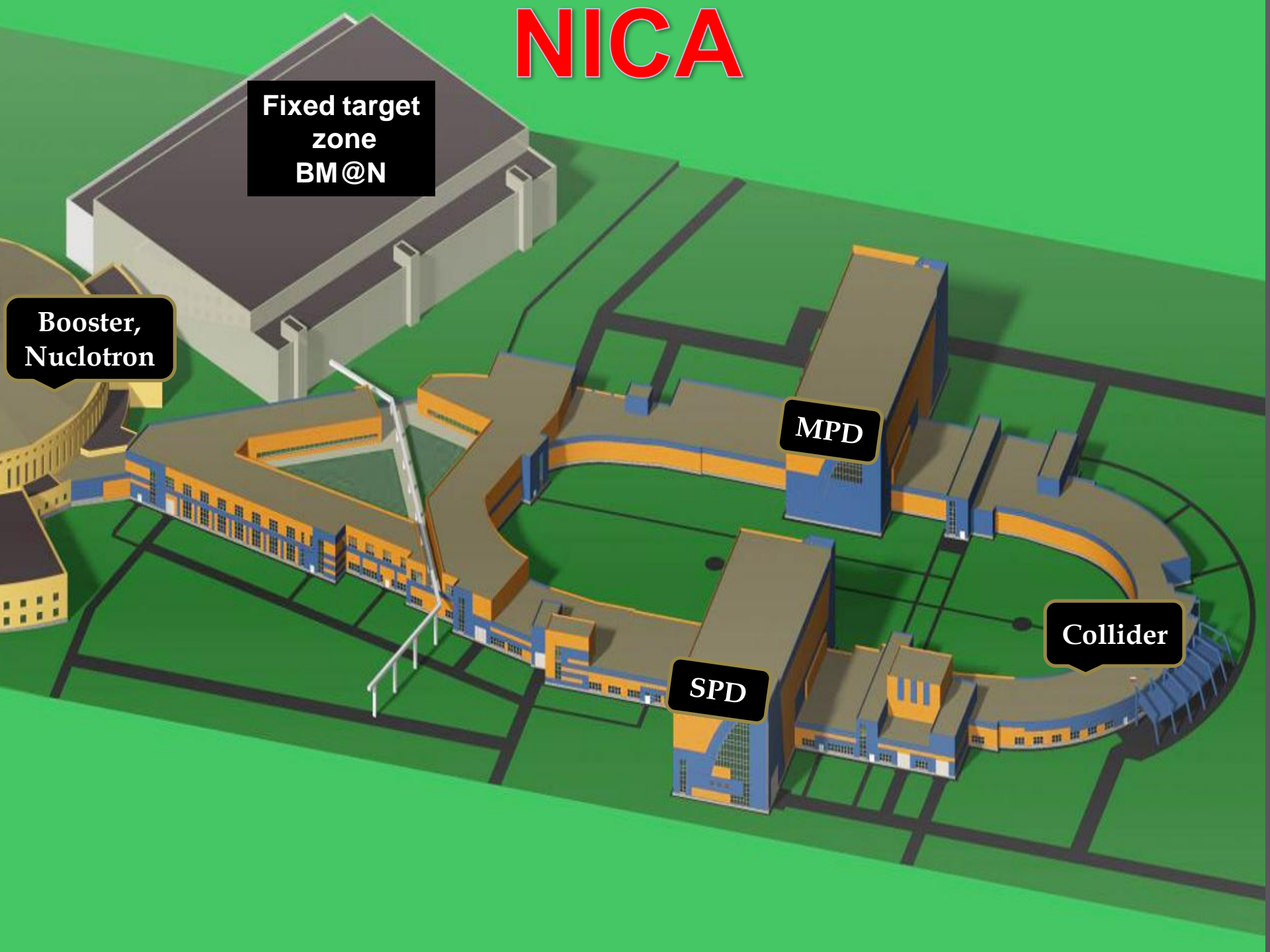
Fixed target  
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BM@N

Booster,  
Nuclotron

MPD

SPD

Collider





# MultiPurpose Detector (MPD): Observables

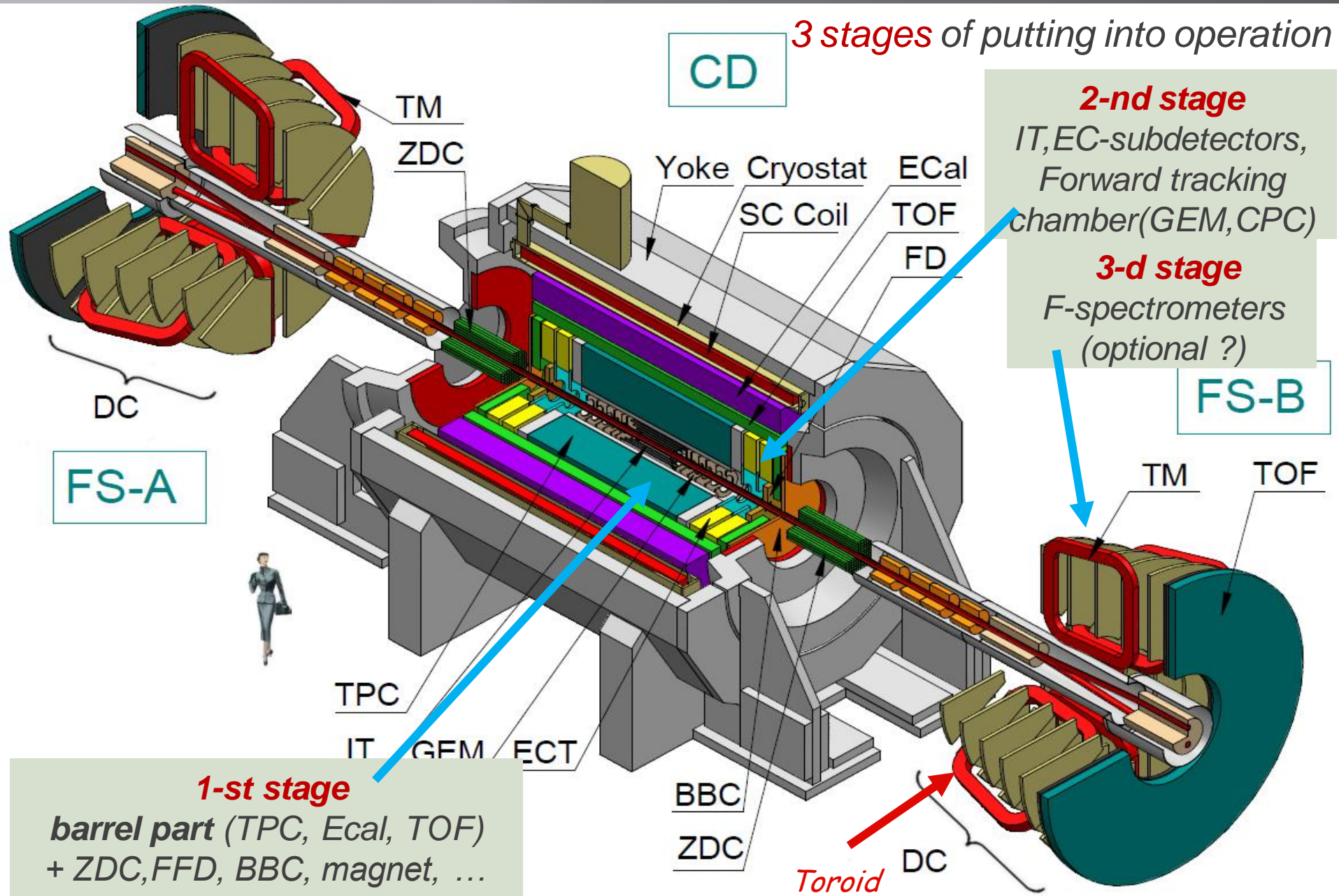
**I stage: mid rapidity region (good performance)**

- ❑ Particle yields and spectra
- ❑ Event-by-event fluctuations
- ❑ Femtoscopy involving  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$ ,  $\Lambda$
- ❑ Collective flows for identified hadron species
- ❑ Electromagnetic probes (electrons, gammas)

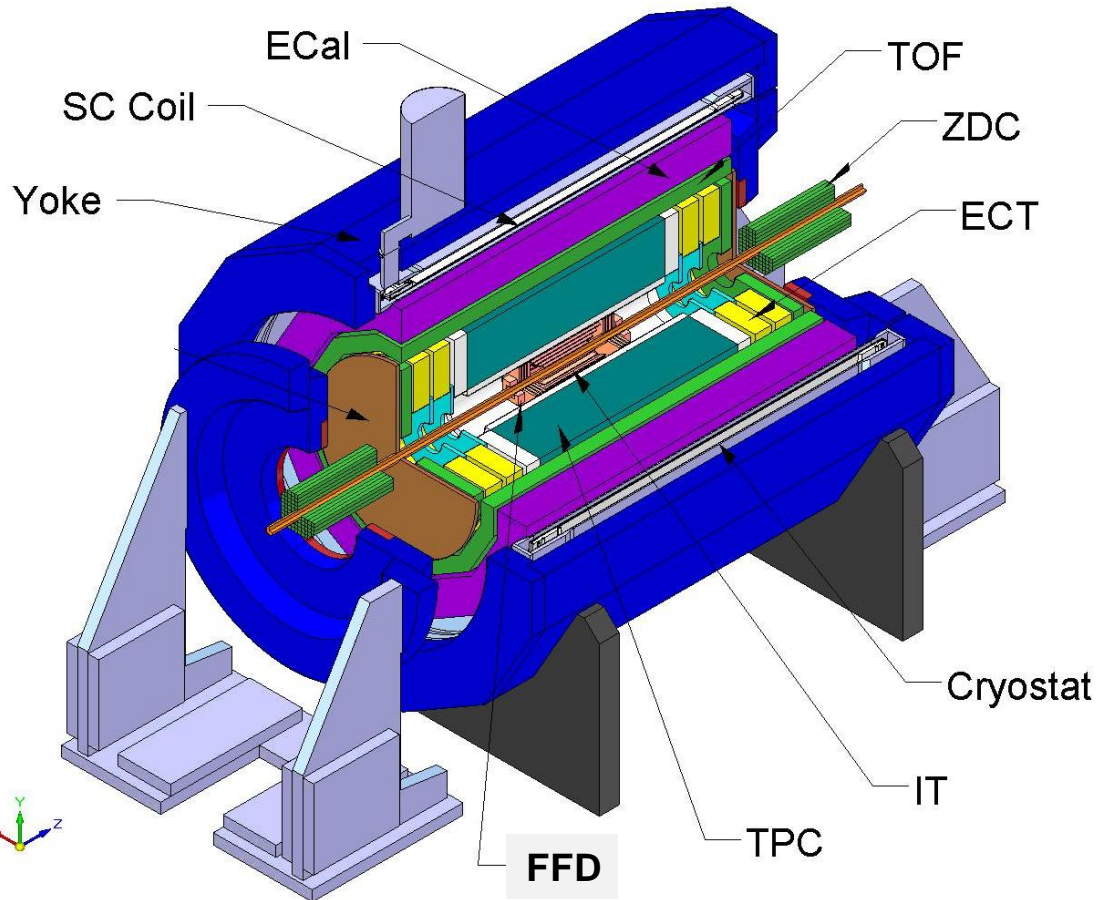
**II stage: extended rapidity + IT**

- ❑ Total particle multiplicities
- ❑ Asymmetries study (**better reaction plane determination**)
- ❑ Di-Lepton **precise** study (**ECal expansion**)
- ❑ Exotics (soft photons, hypernuclei)

# MultiPurpose Detector (MPD)



# The MPD Apparatus



**Magnet** : 0.5 T superconductor

**Tracking** : TPC

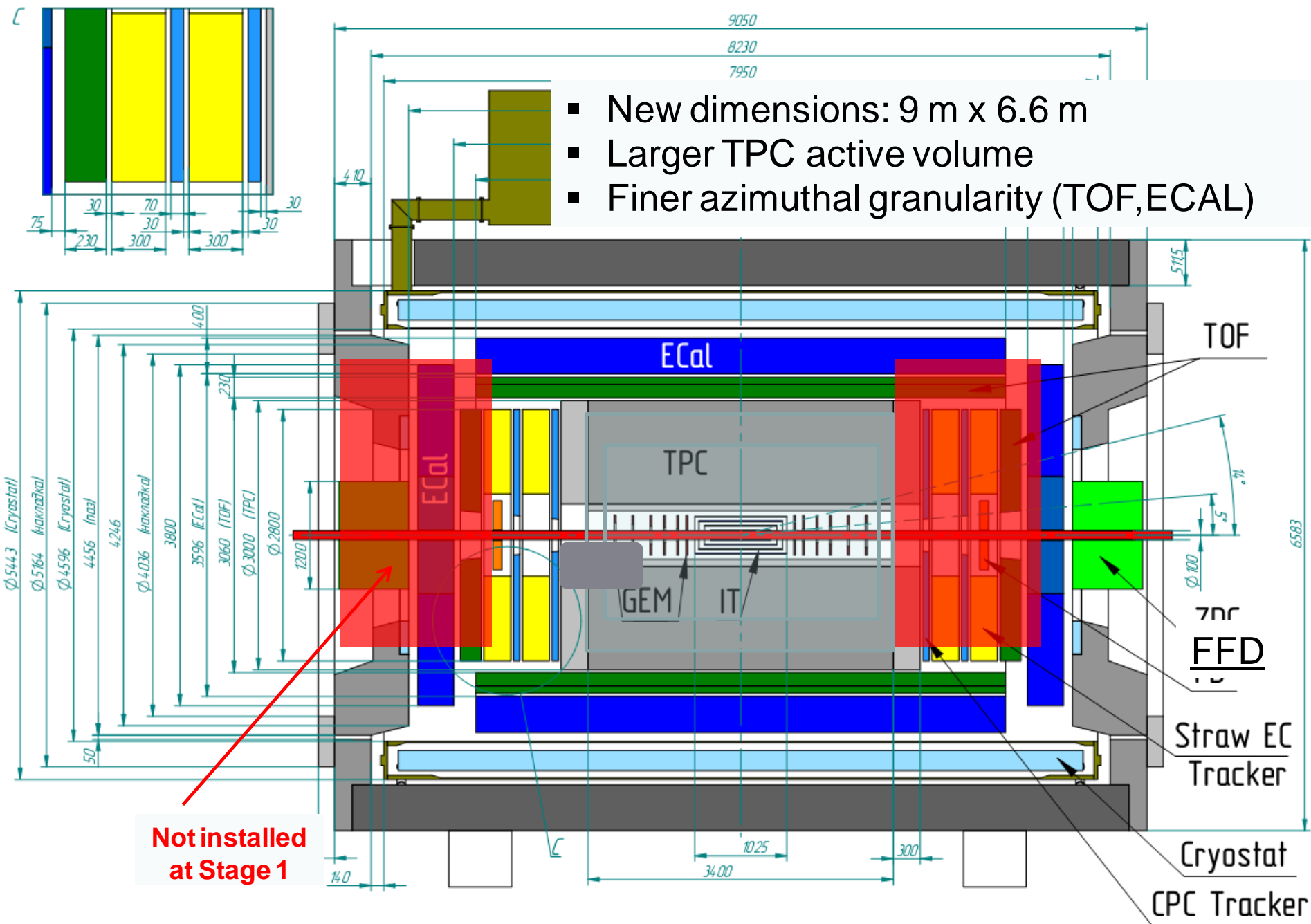
**ParticleID** : TOF, ECAL, TPC

**T0, Triggering** : FFD

**Centrality, Event plane** : ZDC

## MPD advantages:

- Hermeticity, homogenous acceptance ( $2\pi$  in azimuth), low material budget
- Good tracking performance and powerful PID (hadrons,  $e$ ,  $\gamma$ )
- High event rate capability and careful event characterization



# NICA Physics plan for 2017-19 (Stage 1)

In the beginning energy-system size scan will be performed at NICA-MPD with the listed beam species varying the collisions energy from 4 to 11 GeV in steps of 1-2 GeV.

Beam	Luminosity ( $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{c}^{-1}$ )		Data sample per 1 week at $\sqrt{s} = 4 \text{ GeV}$
	$\sqrt{s}=4 \text{ GeV}$	$\sqrt{s}=11 \text{ GeV}$	
p	$10^{32}$	$10^{32}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{10}$
$^{12}\text{C}$	$4 \cdot 10^{28}$	$2 \cdot 10^{29}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{10}$
$^{64}\text{Cu}$	$6 \cdot 10^{27}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{28}$	$5 \cdot 10^9$
$^{124}\text{Xe}$	$8 \cdot 10^{26}$	$6 \cdot 10^{27}$	$1 \cdot 10^9$
$^{197}\text{Au}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{26}$	$10^{27}$	$3 \cdot 10^8$

Disk storage for data  $\approx 10 \text{ PB/year}$

Measurements of hadrons ( $\pi$ , K, (anti)p, (anti)hyperons, light (anti)nuclei and dilepton spectra as a function of energy, system size, centrality,  $p_T$ , rapidity and azimuthal angle.

## The strategy

- Localize the QCD CEP, then investigate in detail the critical region (in finer steps)
- Detailed study of the LMR dilepton enhancement in the unexplored region of the highest baryon density. If an indication for dropping mass found  $\rightarrow$  detailed look in this region
- Study of the QCD mixed phase - hadroproduction and rare probes

# NICA-MPD physics cases

Observable	Set-up	Coverage	New insights
Hadron yields & ratios	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	Data for $5 < \sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ , critical assessment of $y$ -spectra and $K/\pi$ -ratio
Hyperons: yields, flow, Polarization	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	High statistics data on yields, flow and polarization $\sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$
Dileptons	TPC, TOF ECAL, ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.1$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	New data at $\sqrt{s} > 5 \text{ GeV}$
Fluctuations & Correlations	TPC, TOF ECAL, ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	New data on Ev-by-Ev fluct. for $\sqrt{s} > 4 \text{ GeV}$
Anti-protons Anti-nuclei	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.1$ $p_T < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$	New data on antinuclei, Flow of Pbar and antiL
Flow ( $v_{1,2,3}$ ) Hadrons & nuclei	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	New measurements @ $\sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ Precise $v_n$ data for $\phi, \Omega$
Chiral Magnetic & vortical effects	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	Data @ $\sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ (CME) Vortical @ $4 < \sqrt{s} < 11 \text{ GeV}$
(Hyper)Nuclei	TPC, TOF ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 5 \text{ GeV}/c$	New data at $5 < \sqrt{s} < 11$

# Particle yields, Au+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8 \text{ GeV}$ (central collisions)

Expectations for 10 weeks of running at  $L = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (duty factor = 0.5)

Particle	Yields		Decay mode	BR	*Effic. %	Yield/10 w
	$4\pi$	$y=0$				
$\pi^+$	<b>293</b>	<b>97</b>	----	---	<b>61</b>	<b><math>2.6 \cdot 10^{11}</math></b>
$K^+$	<b>59</b>	<b>20</b>	---	----	<b>50</b>	<b><math>4.3 \cdot 10^{10}</math></b>
<b>p</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>41</b>	---	----	<b>60</b>	<b><math>1.2 \cdot 10^{11}</math></b>
$\rho$	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	e+e-	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	<b>35</b>	<b><math>7.3 \cdot 10^5</math></b>
$\omega$	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	e+e-	$7.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	<b>35</b>	<b><math>7.2 \cdot 10^5</math></b>
$\phi$	<b>2.6</b>	<b>1.2</b>	e+e-	$3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	<b>35</b>	<b><math>1.7 \cdot 10^5</math></b>
$\Omega$	<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.1</b>	$\Lambda K$	<b>0.68</b>	<b>2</b>	<b><math>2.7 \cdot 10^6</math></b>
$D^0$	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$K^+\pi^-$	<b>0.038</b>	<b>20</b>	<b><math>2.2 \cdot 10^4</math></b>
$J/\psi$	$8 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	e+e-	<b>0.06</b>	<b>15</b>	<b><math>10^3</math></b>

\*Efficiency includes the MPD acceptance, realistic tracking and particle ID. Particle yields are from experimental data (NA49), statistical and HSD models. Efficiency from MPD simulations. Typical efficiency from published data (STAR)

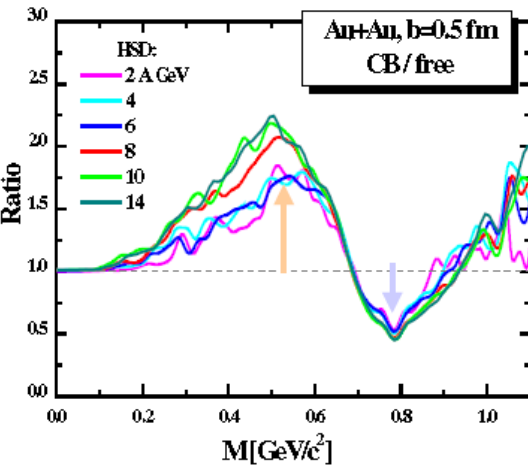
# Dileptons. Prospects for NICA

NICA's energy range very well suited to fill an important niche ( $5 < \sqrt{s} < 11$  GeV):

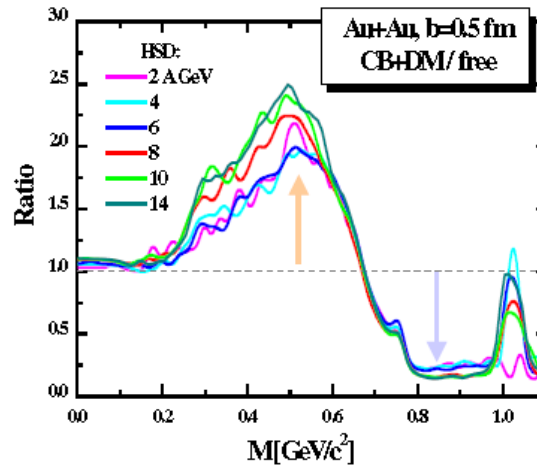
- ➔ Unveil the onset of the low-mass region (LMR) pair enhancement
- ➔ Study LMR signal under highest baryon density conditions

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collisional broadening

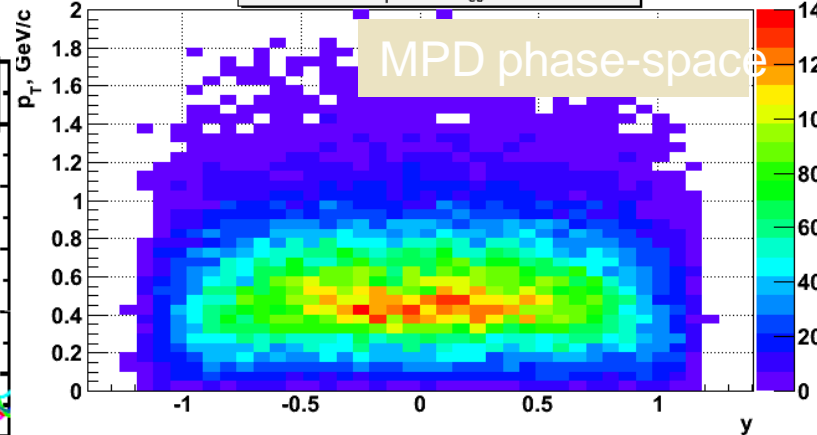


collisional broadening + dropping mass



❖ enhancement of dilepton yield for  $0.2 < M < 0.7$  GeV and reduction at  $M \sim m_{\rho/\omega}$  for all energies from 2 to 14 A GeV!

Dielelectron  $p_T$  vs  $y$  ( $M_{ee} > 0.2$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)



Yields (central Au+Au,  $\sqrt{s} = 8.8$  GeV)

Particle	Yields		Decay mode	BR	Effic. %	Yield/1 w
	$4\pi$	$y=0$				
$\rho$	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>e+e-</b>	<b><math>4.7 \cdot 10^{-5}</math></b>	<b>35</b>	<b><math>7.3 \cdot 10^4</math></b>
$\omega$	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>e+e-</b>	<b><math>7.1 \cdot 10^{-5}</math></b>	<b>35</b>	<b><math>7.2 \cdot 10^4</math></b>
$\phi$	<b>2.6</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>e+e-</b>	<b><math>3 \cdot 10^{-4}</math></b>	<b>35</b>	<b><math>1.7 \cdot 10^4</math></b>



# The MultiPurpose Detector – MPD

*to study Heavy Ion Collisions at NICA  
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**Participating Institutions : JINR + 18 Institutes  
from 9 countries**

- The experienced persons from heavy-ion experiments at GSI, SPS, BNL (HADES, WA98, NA45, NA49, STAR, PHENIX, ALICE)
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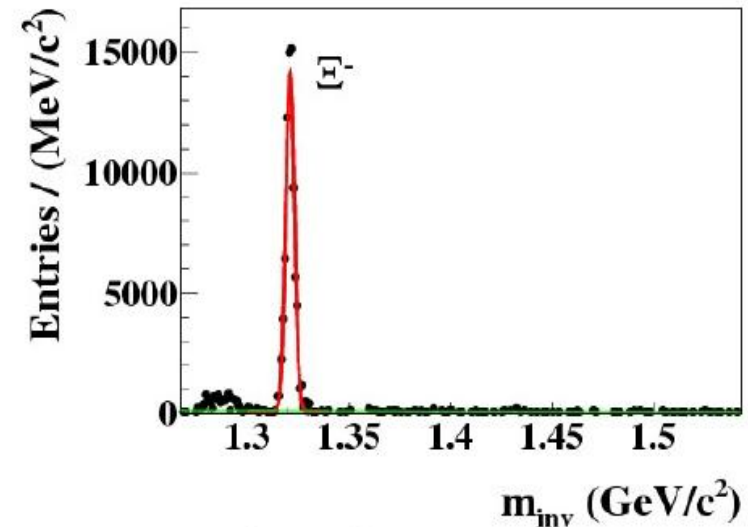
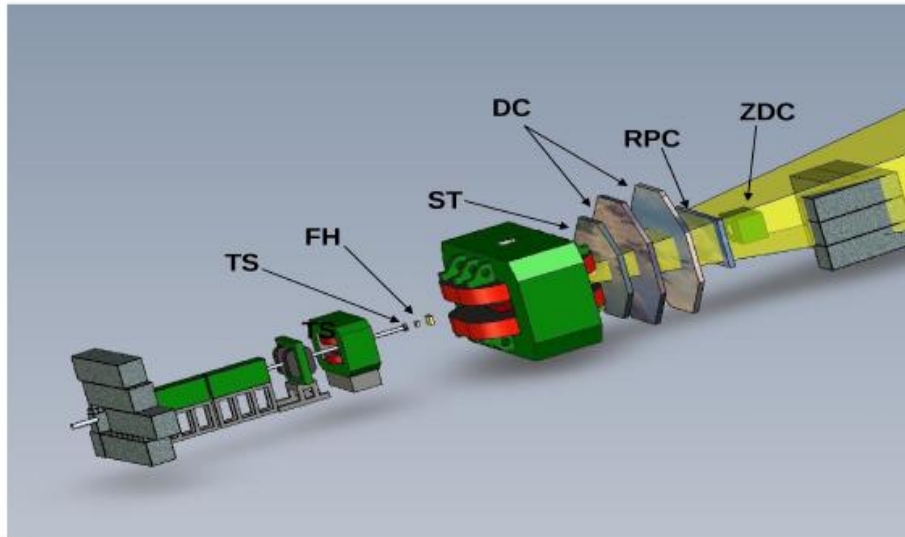
# Strange matter production in heavy ion collisions at the Nuclotron extracted beam: Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron(BM@N)



- ▣ Collaboration **GSI-JINR** (preparation of the joint experiment has started)
- ▣ The goal of the experiment is the systematic measurements of the observables for multistrange objects ( **$\Xi^-$ ,  $\Omega^-$ , exotics**) in Au-Au collisions in the energy domain of the Nuclotron extracted beams (up to 5 A GeV)



# Physics at BM@N



Physics for the first stage of the **BM@N** spectrometer (2015):

- In-medium effects for strangeness and vector mesons decaying in hadron modes
- Flows, polarizations, vorticity and azimuthal correlations of hadrons
- Femtoscscopy for different hadrons (and photons)
- NN and NA interactions as the reference for AA collisions
- Electromagnetic probes (optionally)

Physics for the **BM@N** spectrometer **with inner tracker**(2017):

- The measurements of the (sub)threshold cascade hyperons production in order to obtain the information on the nuclear matter EOS.



# Participants



**Countries:** Belarus, Bulgaria, **Czech**, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine + Germany + France+ **China PR**

**Russia:** INR, SINP MSU, IHEP + 2 Universities

**Germany:** GSI, Frankfurt U., Giessen U., FIAS

About 200 peoples.

**List for authors is open !**

# The CBM/FAIR-MPD/NICA Consortium

- 7 institutes
- 3 countries

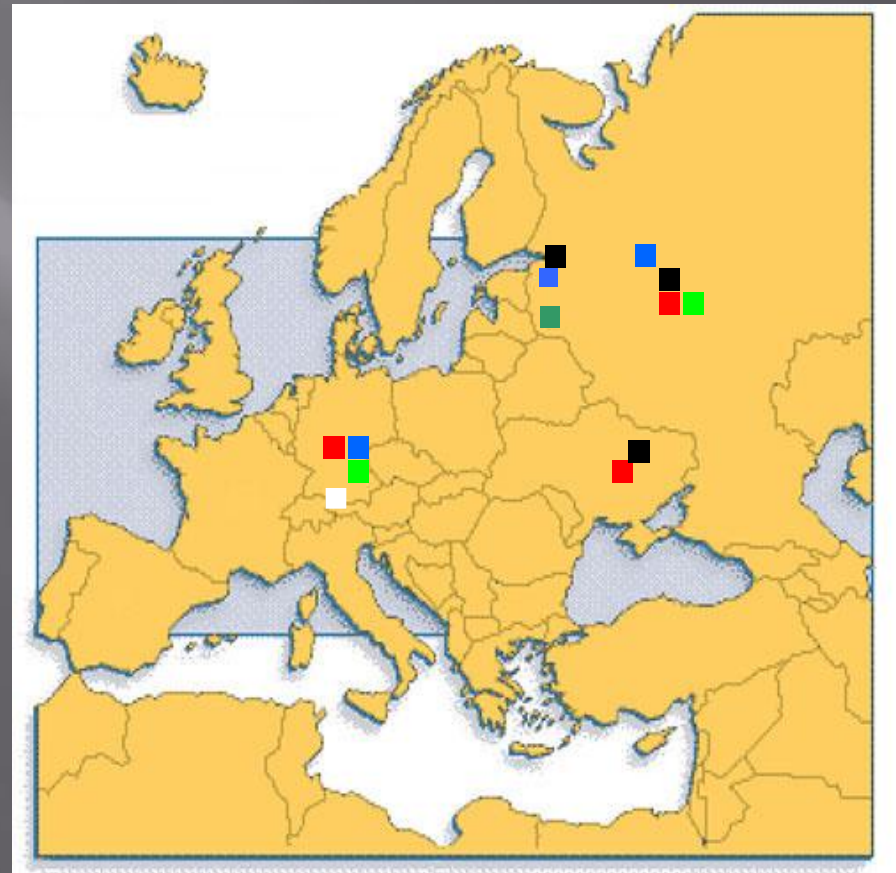
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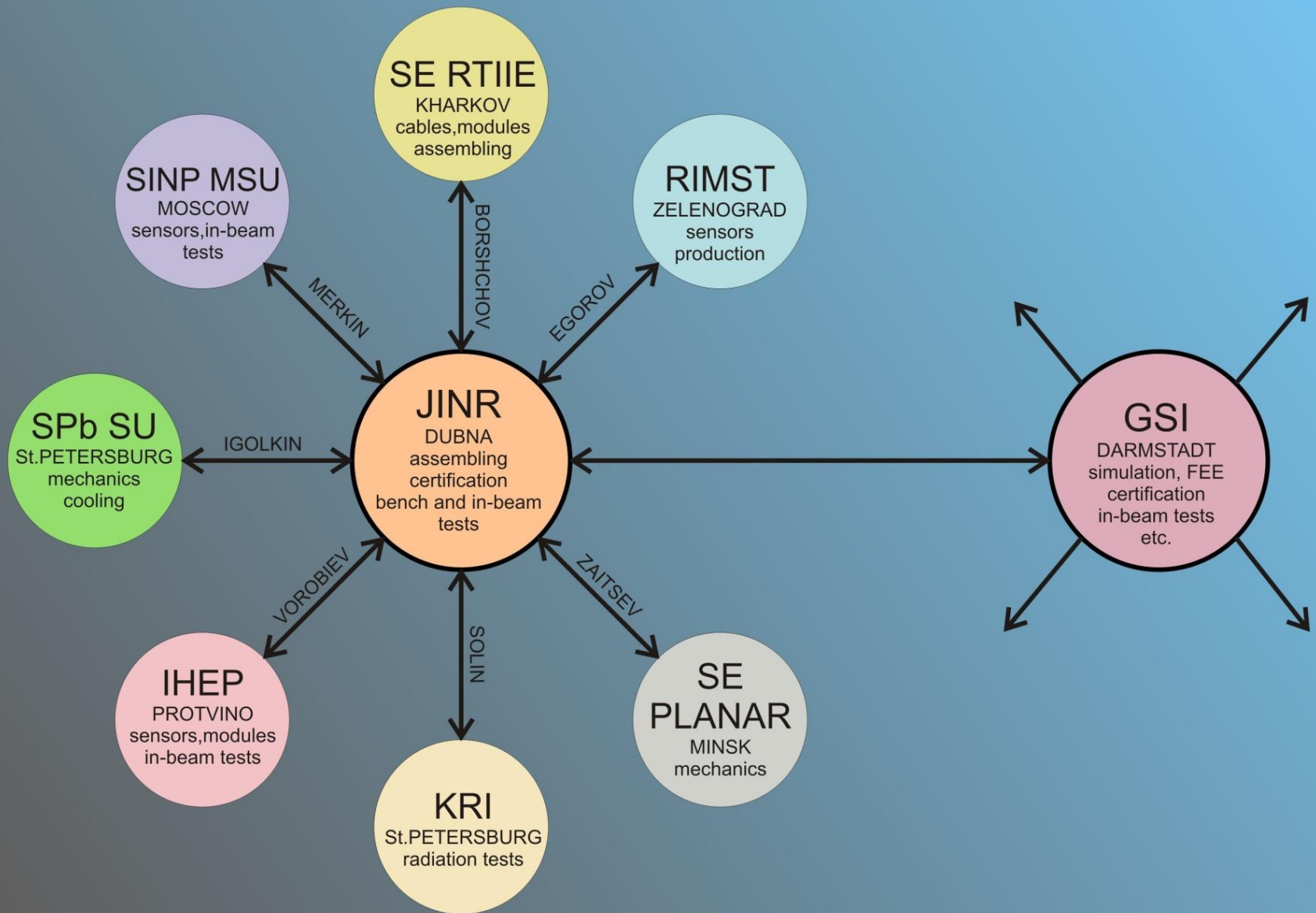
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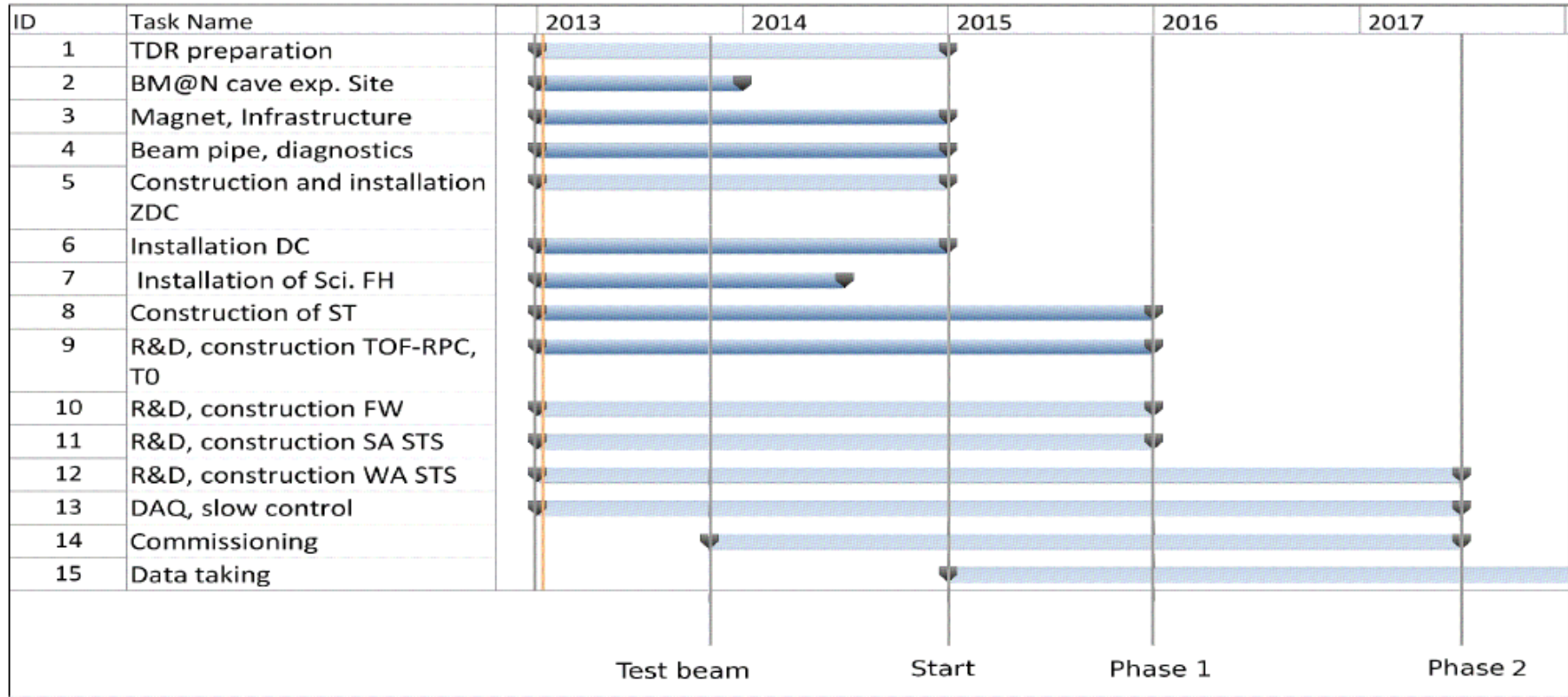
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# The CBM-MPD Consortium Structure



# Time table of the experiment



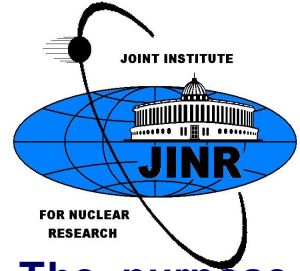
**Testbeam (2013...)**

**Start version (2014-...) – Part of RPC, DC, SciFH, ZDC**

**Phase1 (2015-...) - Full RPC, DC, ZDC, ST, FW, SA STS**

**Phase2 (2017-...) - The data taking at **Au+Au** with WA STS.**





## SPD EXPERIMENT AT NICA



The purpose is study of the nucleon spin structure with high intensity polarized light nuclear beams:

- high collision proton (deuteron) energy up to  $\sqrt{s} \sim 26$  (13) GeV
- the average luminosity  $> \sim 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- both proton and deuteron beams can be effectively polarized.

The main topics are:

1. Studies of DY processes with longitudinal and transversely polarized p and D beams. Extraction of unknown (poorly known) parton distribution functions (PDFs).
2. PDFs from  $J/\Psi$  production processes.
3. Spin effects in baryon, meson and photon productions.
4. Studies of spin effects in various exclusive reactions.
5. Diffractive processes studies.
6. Cross sections, helicity amplitudes and double spin asymmetries (Krisch effect) in elastic reactions.
7. Spectroscopy of quarkoniums.

NICA Spin program plans:

First version of SPD CDR (June 2010) at  
[http://nica.jinr.ru/files/Spin\\_program/spd\\_cdr.htm](http://nica.jinr.ru/files/Spin_program/spd_cdr.htm)

Call for the Proposals





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**SEARCHING for a QCD MIXED PHASE at the  
NUCLOTRON-BASED ION COLLIDER FACILITY  
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**<http://theor.jinr.ru/twiki-cgi/view/NICA/WebHome>**

# NICA White Paper - International Effort



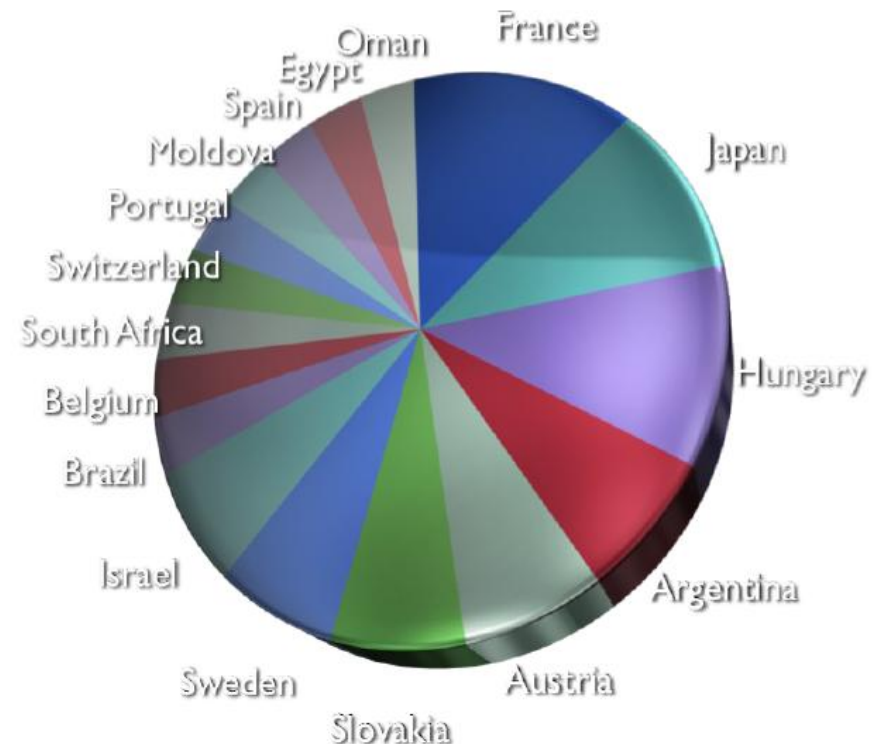
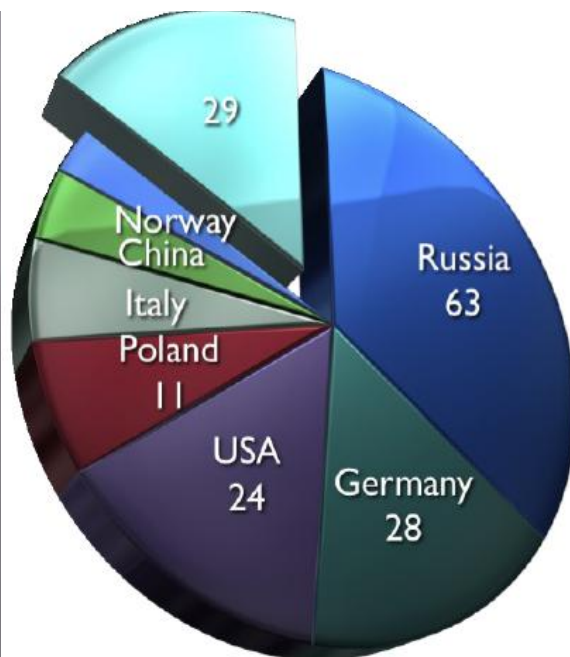
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**104 contributions:**

**188 authors from 70 centers in 24 countries**

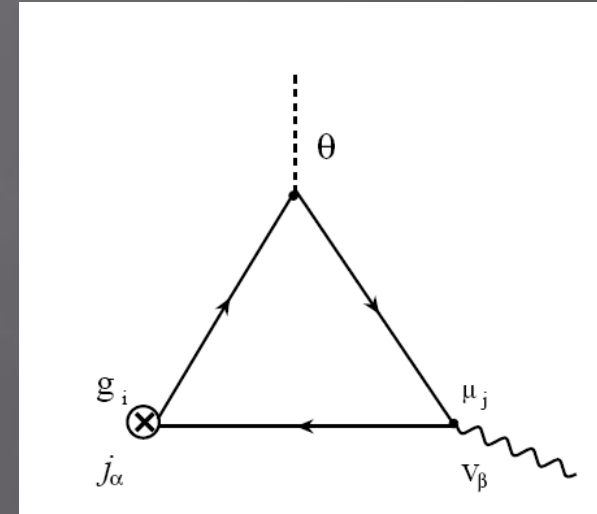


# Studying vorticity

- ▣ Vorticity for uniform rotation – proportional to Orbital Angular Momentum
- ▣ Rotation – another pseudovector – angular velocity
- ▣ Tests are required
- ▣ Natural object – hydrodynamical helicity  
(=  $v \text{ rot } v$ )-related to chaos
- ▣ Model calculations using DCM (M. Baznat, K. Gudima, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev)

# Anomaly in medium – new external lines in VVA graph

- Gauge field -> velocity
- CME -> CVE
- Kharzeev, Zhitnitsky (07) – EM current
- Generalization: any (e.g. baryonic) current – neutron asymmetries @NICA  
O. Rogachevsky, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev  
PRC82:054910,2010



Coupling:  $e_j A_\alpha J^\alpha \Rightarrow \mu_j V_\alpha J^\alpha$

Current:  $J_e^\gamma = \frac{N_c}{4\pi^2 N_f} \varepsilon^{\gamma\beta\alpha\rho} \partial_\alpha V_\rho \partial_\beta (\theta \sum_j e_j \mu_j)$

Observable: three-particle correlator:  $\langle \cos(\phi_\alpha + \phi_\beta - 2\phi_c) \rangle$

**CME@RHIC: 15 M events to establish the effect.**

**CVE@NICA: 1000 M events, which can be collected within a few months of the NICA run.**

# Helicity separation in Heavy-Ion Collisions

M. Baznat, K. Gudima, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev [arXiv:1301.7003](https://arxiv.org/abs/1301.7003)

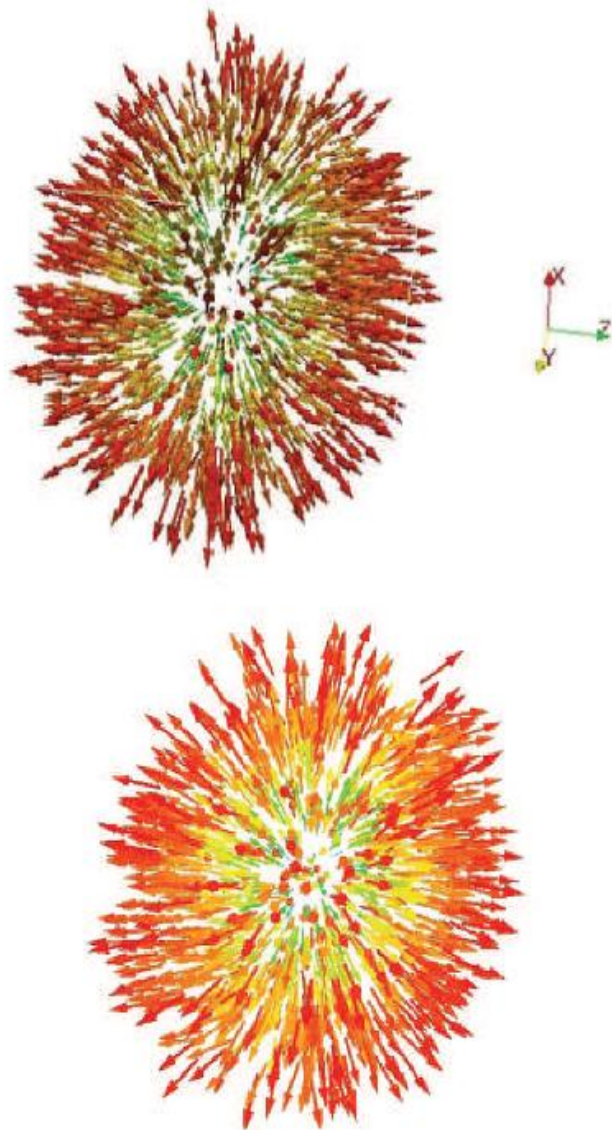


Figure 1: (color online) Three dimension image (top) and projection on plane XY (bottom) of velocity field in Au+Au at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $b = 8 \text{ fm}$  and  $t = 10 \text{ fm}/c$

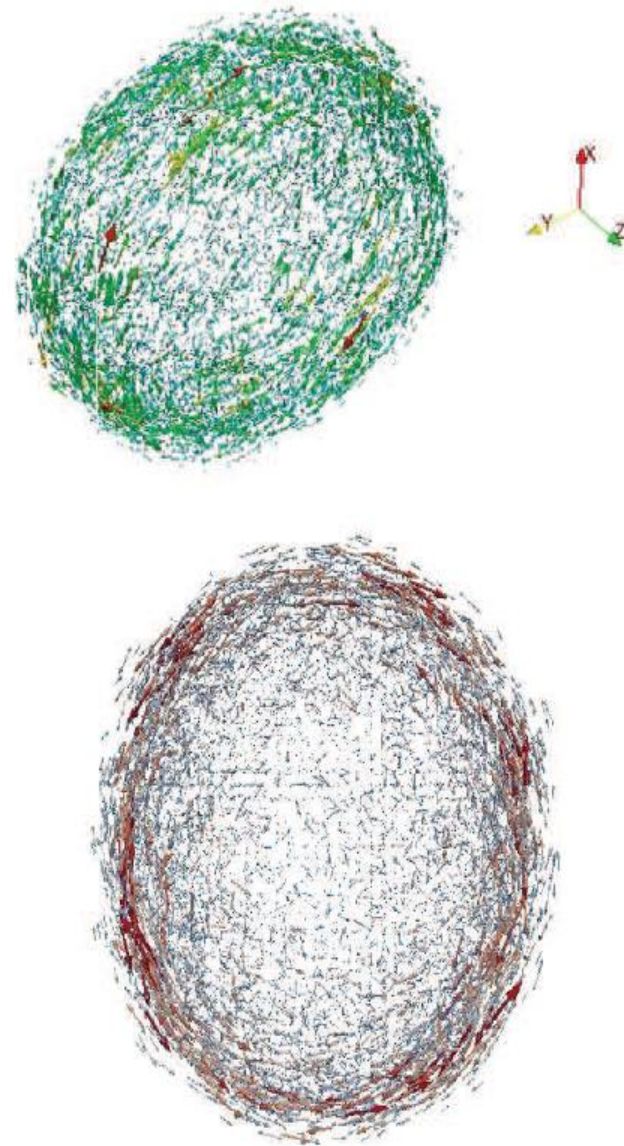


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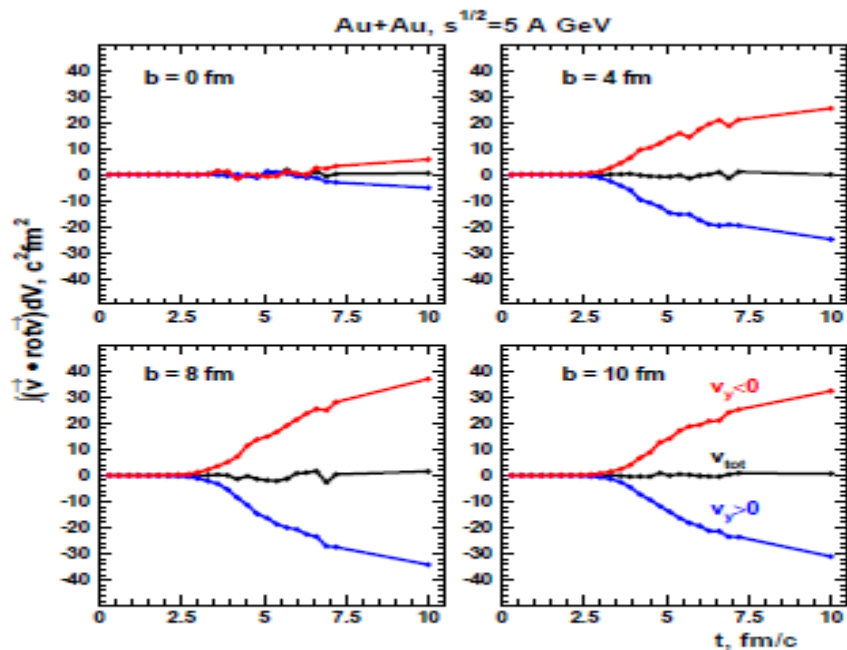


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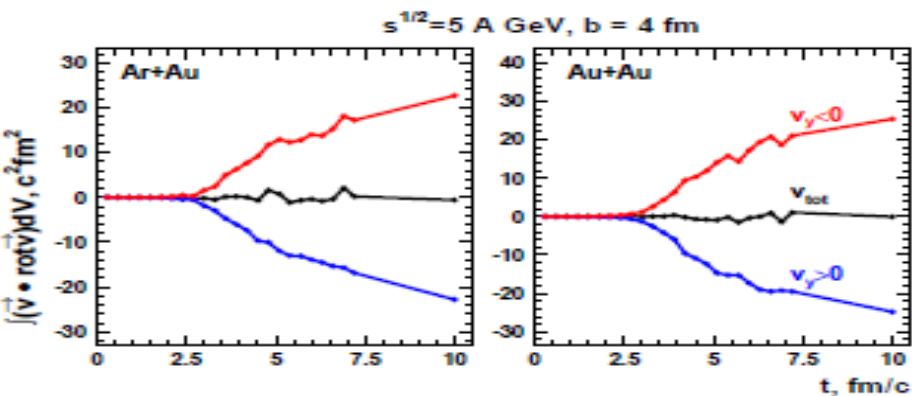


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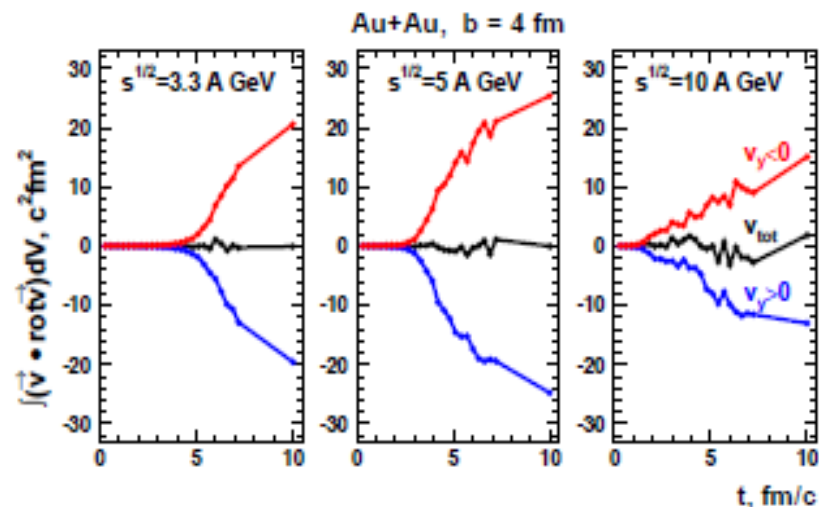


Figure 4: (color online) Time dependence of helicity at different energies

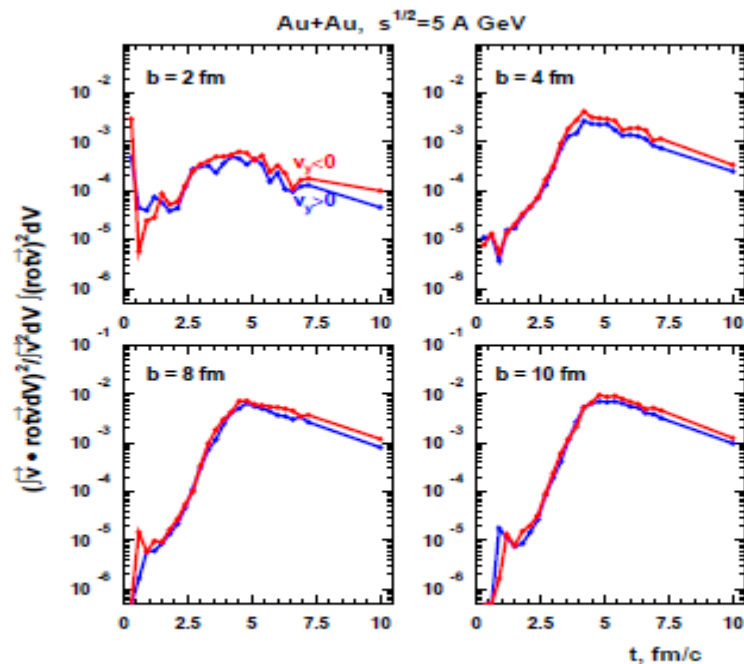


Figure 6: (color online) Time dependence of Cauchy-Schwarz bound for helicity



# Round Table Discussions on NICA/MPD@JINR

**Round Table Discussion I:** *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron, July 7 - 9, 2005*  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2005/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion II:** *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron: Nuclotron facility development JINR, Dubna, October 6 - 7, 2006*  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2006/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion III:** *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA JINR (Dubna), November 5 - 6, 2008,*  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2008/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion IV:** *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper) JINR (Dubna), September 9 - 12, 2009*  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2009/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion V:** *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper) JINR (Dubna), August 28, 2010*  
[http://theor.jinr.ru/~cpod/Dubna\\_2010\\_program2.htm](http://theor.jinr.ru/~cpod/Dubna_2010_program2.htm)

Workshop  
**Fixed Target@Nuclotron-N and SIS100@FAIR**  
**Detector R&D, Synergies and Physics Opportunities**  
GSI Helmholtz Centre, 2010 November 3rd  
**Wednesday, November 3rd**  
**GSI WD-Zimmer**

09:30 – 09:45      **Welcome and Goals of the Meeting**      H. Stöcker

Chair: A. Sorin

09:45 – 11:00      **Technical Status of the Facilities**

Nuclotron-M: Status of the Facility and the New Fixed Target Program      V. Kekelidze  
Towards Nuclotron-N@JINR & SIS100@FAIR Physics Program      H. Stöcker / A. Sorin  
*Coffee Break*

Chair: G.Trubnikov

11:15 – 12:15      **Nuclear Structure Physics**

Nuclear Structure and Nuclear Astrophysics opportunities with RIBs      G. Martinez-Pinedo  
Status of R3B      T. Aumann / H.Simon  
*Lunch Break (small Lunch incl. coffee / WD-Zimmer)*

Chair: V. Kekelidze

13:00 – 15:00      **Nuclear Matter Physics**

Status of the HADES Upgrade, recent results      R. Holzmann / J. Pietraszko  
Status of FOPI, recent results      N. Herrmann  
Nuclear Matter Physics at Nuclotron and SIS100 energies      P. Senger  
Status of R&D CBM      W. Müller  
The STS Consortium      J. Heuser  
*Coffee Break*

15:15 – 17:00      **Final Panel Discussion:**  
**Synergies and Joint R&D Projects**

Chair: H. Stöcker

17:30 *Dinner at the GSI Guesthouse*

# NICA/JINR-FAIR Bilateral Workshop

**Matter at Highest Baryon Densities in the Laboratory and in Space**

**Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, April 2 - 4, 2012**

[http://theor.jinr.ru/~nica\\_fair/](http://theor.jinr.ru/~nica_fair/)

## Topics:

- Phases of QCD at high baryon densities
- Effects signalling phase transitions
- Observables in heavy-ion collisions and in astrophysics
- Simulations of ion collisions and supernovae

## Aims:

- identify discovery potential of Nuclotron-NICA and FAIR in the canon of current and future HIC experiments
- chiral symmetry restoration
- onset of deconfinement
- in-medium modification of hadron properties
- color superconductivity, multiquark states, etc.

## Results:

- Most promising and feasible suggestions for experiments at Nuclotron-NICA and CBM/FAIR
- Priorities for detectors and formation of international collaborations

**\* German-Russian Year of Science 2011/2012**



# XX International Symposium on Spin Physics (SPIN2012)

*Dubna, September 17– 22, 2012*



# **The conferences in Dubna**

**CPOD 2010**

**SQM 2015**

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DIAS-TH: Dubna International Advanced School of Theoretical Physics

Helmholtz International Summer School

Dense Matter  
in

Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics  
JINR, Dubna, Russia, August 21 - September 1, 2006

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Dense Matter in  
Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics  
JINR, Dubna, Russia, July 14-26, 2008

**TOPICS:**

- \* Hadrons in the Medium
- \* Equation of State and Phase Transition
- \* Hadron Production in Heavy-Ion Collisions
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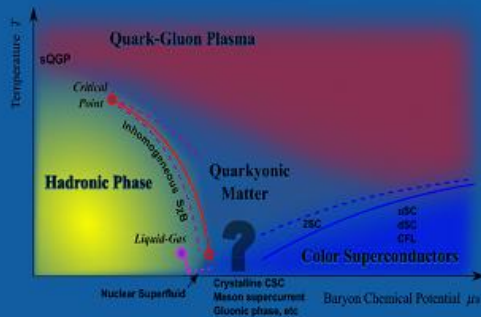


DIAS-TH Dubna International Advanced School for Theoretical Physics  
HIC-for-FAIR School and Workshop

# Dense QCD Phases in Heavy-Ion Collisions

August 21- September 4, 2010

@ Joint Institute for Nuclear Research



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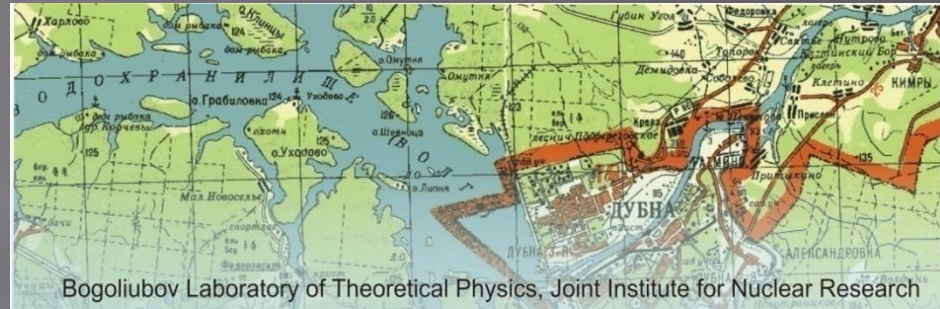
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## Lattice QCD, Hadron Structure and Hadronic Matter

Dubna, Russia, September 5 - 17, 2011

Introduction to Lattice Gauge Theories  
Hadron structure and spectroscopy  
Nonzero temperature and baryon number density  
Heavy quark physics  
Beyond the Standard Model  
Strong magnetic fields  
Simulation algorithms and analysis techniques



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- Astrophysics of compact stars (CS)
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- ❑ State committee in science & technology of Belarus
- ❑ Kurchatov Federal Center
- ❑ Institute for Nuclear Research RAS
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- ❑ Budker Institute for Nuclear Physics RAN
- ❑ Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
- ❑ University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, China (USTC)
- ❑ and others



# INTERNATIONAL EXPERTISE OF THE PROJECT

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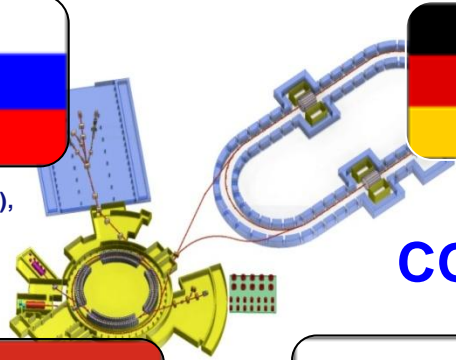
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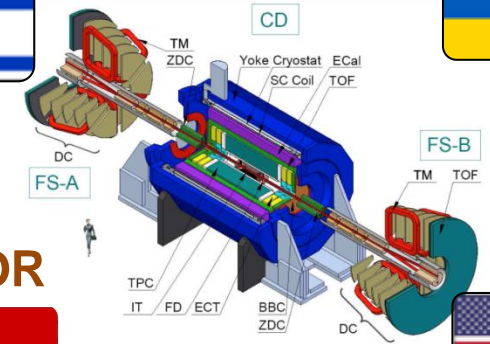


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## Machine Advisory Committee (MAC) for the Accelerator Complex



## DETECTOR



## Programme Advisory Committee (PAC) for Particle Physics

## International Agreements on cooperation



JINR – INP SB RAS



JINR - CERN



JINR – RSC KI

# BMBF (Germany)-JINR cooperation

Parties agreed to join their efforts in the construction of both **FAIR** & **NICA** in:

- construction of cryogenic facility at JINR to provide the assembly and the cold testing of the superconducting magnets for the NICA synchrotrons and 175 quadrupole modules for FAIR SIS100
- preparation of clean area at JINR to provide the assembly and test of modern silicon tracking detectors for BM@N, MPD and CBM
- stimulation of joint research and educational programs for young scientists



## GSI (Germany)-JINR MoU for cooperation

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

for Cooperation in the Investigation of Hot and Dense Baryonic Matter  
and in the Development of the GSI and JINR Accelerator Facilities

between

GESELLSCHAFT FÜR SCHWERIONENFORSCHUNG  
mbH,  
hereinafter referred to as GSI, Darmstadt

and

JOINT INSTITUTE FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH,  
hereinafter referred to as JINR, Dubna

This Memorandum of Understanding is within the framework of the  
Helmholtz-Dubna Agreement on Cooperation in Science and  
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July 2008



### ADDENDUM

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## **Conclusions of the Town Meeting at CERN, 29 June 2012**

*On a time scale of less than a decade, using the existing heavy ion beams at the Nuclotron accelerator, the NICA project at JINR in Dubna will provide a similar energy range in a collider geometry at the average luminosity of  $10^{27}$  / cm<sup>2</sup> s, as well as, the fixed target experiments with E<sub>Lab</sub> = 2 – 4.5 GeV/nucleon.*

*This offers important complementarities to the beam energy scan program at RHIC and the programs at FAIR.*

**The Open Symposium on European Strategy  
in Particle Physics (11-12 Sept., Krakow, PL)**

indicated the NICA facility as a part of HI European program

# The NICA beam users community

the Workshop "Prospect for experimental research on the Nuclotron beams" held on 6-7 June at VBLHEP, JINR

**The Workshop was organized in order to make the scientific community informed about:**

- *status of the existing Nuclotron facility & the reached beam parameters;*
- *possibility of further development & usage of these beams for research;*
- *available supporting infrastructure & possibility of its development;*
- *agreed policy and rules of usage of the beams.*

Experts from the EC visited  
the Ministry of Education & Science (Moscow, May 16)  
and JINR (Dubna, May 17)

*visit of the EC experts to JINR, May 17, 2013*



**Discussion on the NICA project**

# Towards International Cooperation in the mega-science NICA Complex

the meeting on Prospects of the cooperation in mega-science project  
“Complex of Superconducting Rings for Heavy Ion Colliding Beams”  
- **NICA Complex**

*will take place at JINR in Dubna, on August 7-8, 2013*

The Representatives of the:

- *Ministry of Education & Science of the Russian Federation;*
- *Federal Ministry of Education & Research (BMBWF) of  
the Federal Republic of Germany;*
- *State Agency for Science, Innovation & Informatization of the Ukraine;*
- *Department of Science & Technology of the Republic of South Africa;*
- *Nuclear Regulatory Agency of the Republic of Bulgaria;*
- *State Committee of Science & Technology of the Republic of Belarus;*
- *Helmholtz association*

are expected to attend this meeting



*RF Prime Minister V.V. Putin at NICA, July 5, 2011*



# Session of the Government Commission on High Technology and Innovation (Dubna, July 5, 2011)



Prior to the session, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, jointly with the interagency working group, selected 6 out of 28 submitted applications which meet the highest requirements imposed to specify the class of “mega-science” facilities. Among them is the NICA project.

## The meeting of the Working Group of the Russian Ministry of Education and Science (Moscow, January 17, 2012)

The NICA project has passed the international expertise that is a precondition for funding, along with two other megaprojects – the PIK reactor and the IGNITOR tokamak.

# NICA is in the approved Russian mega-science program



## ПРАВИТЕЛЬСТВО РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ

### РАСПОРЯЖЕНИЕ

от 20 декабря 2012 г. № 2433-р

МОСКВА

1. Утвердить государственную программу Российской Федерации "Развитие науки и технологий".

2. Минобрнауки России разместить государственную программу Российской Федерации "Развитие науки и технологий" на своем официальном сайте, а также на портале государственных программ Российской Федерации в информационно-телекоммуникационной сети "Интернет" в 2-недельный срок со дня официального опубликования настоящего распоряжения.

Председатель Правительства  
Российской Федерации



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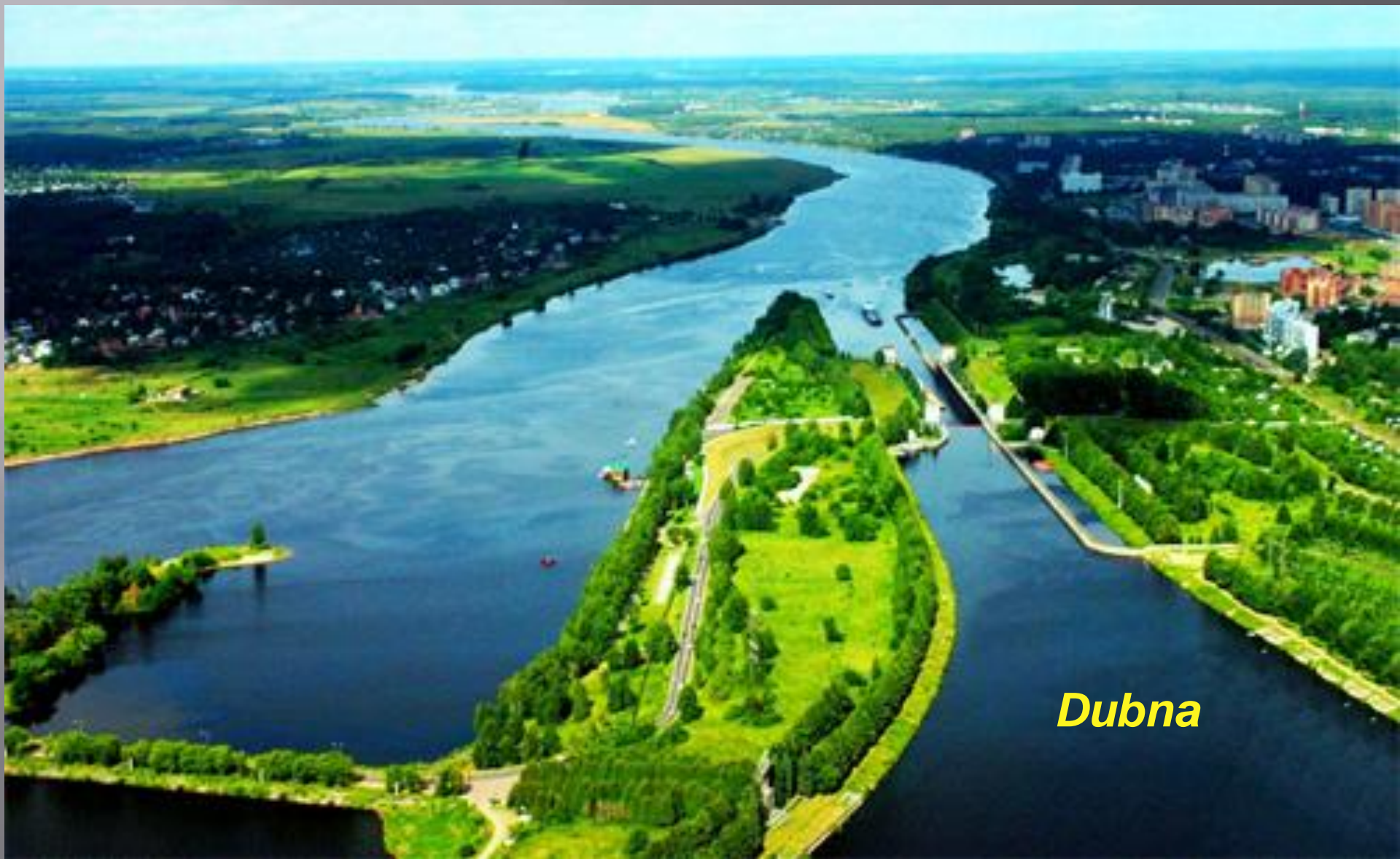
## Государственная программа Российской Федерации "Развитие науки и технологий" на 2013 – 2020 годы

Предусматривается создание комплекса сверхпроводящих колец на встречных пучках тяжелых ионов NICA. В результате реализации проекта будет создан уникальный ускорительный комплекс, который позволит развернуть программу фундаментальных научных исследований в области физики элементарных частиц с недоступными на сегодняшний день энергиями и массами взаимодействующих частиц. Будут получены новые знания о фундаментальной структуре и свойствах материи.

## Concluding Remarks

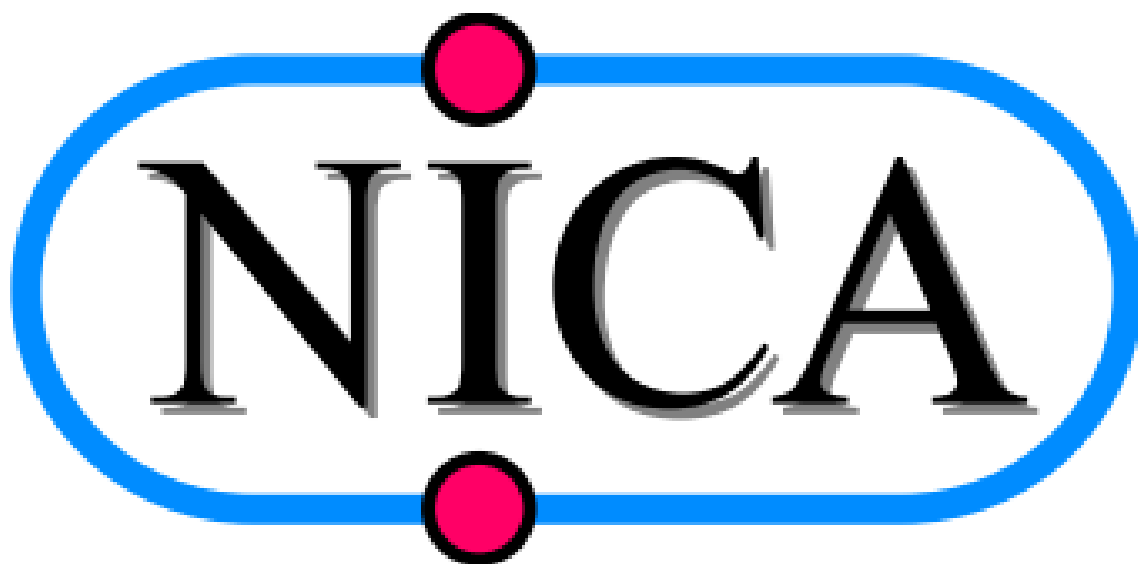
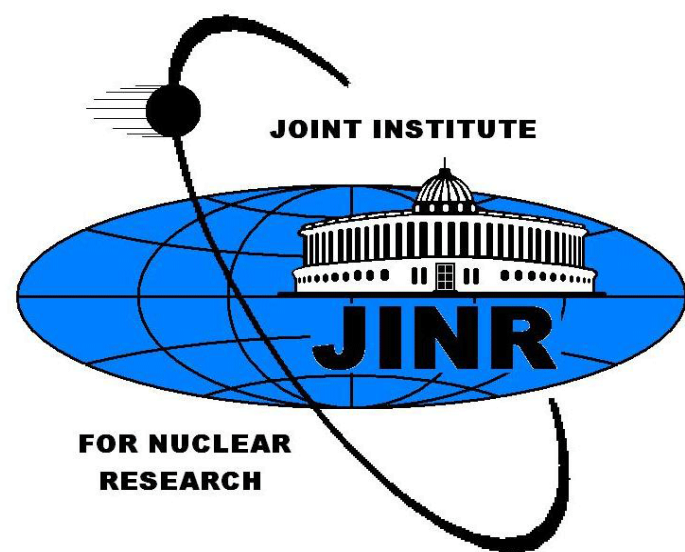
- ❑ The NICA complex is well developing
- ❑ The two physics projects **BM@N** & **MPD** are targeting to the HI physics frontiers
- ❑ The NICA program is well integrated into world experimental HI facilities
- ❑ The SP program is developing, but could started already at **MPD**
- ❑ The collaborations are growing around **NICA** & are getting an international recognition
- ❑ You are welcome to enlarge the participation in the NICA program

# Thank you



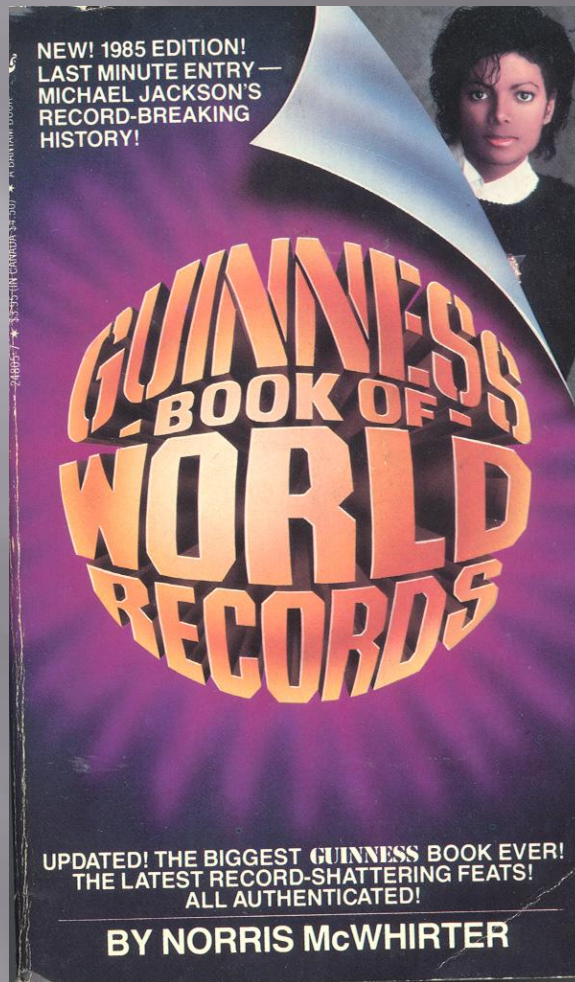
*Dubna*

# Welcome to the collaboration!



# Thank you for attention!





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## Heaviest Magnet

The heaviest magnet is one measuring 196 ft in diameter, with a weight of 40,000 tons, for the 10 GeV synchrophasotron in the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research at Dubna, near Moscow.

# SC magnet production for NICA (booster, collider) & FAIR



Dipole magnet in cryostat



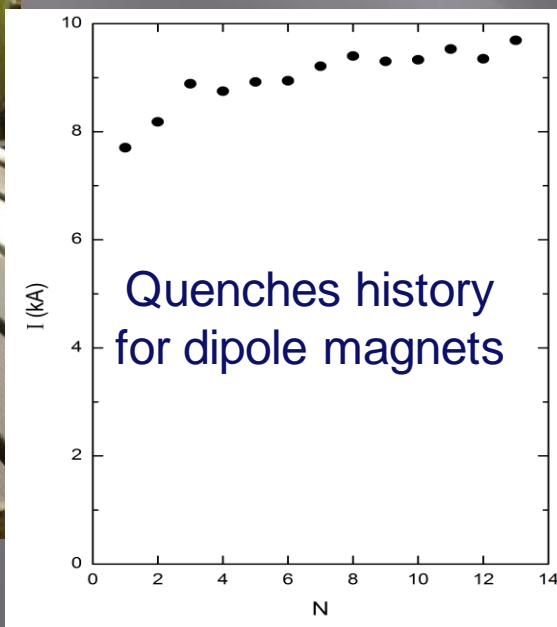
yoke of quadrupole lens after final treatment



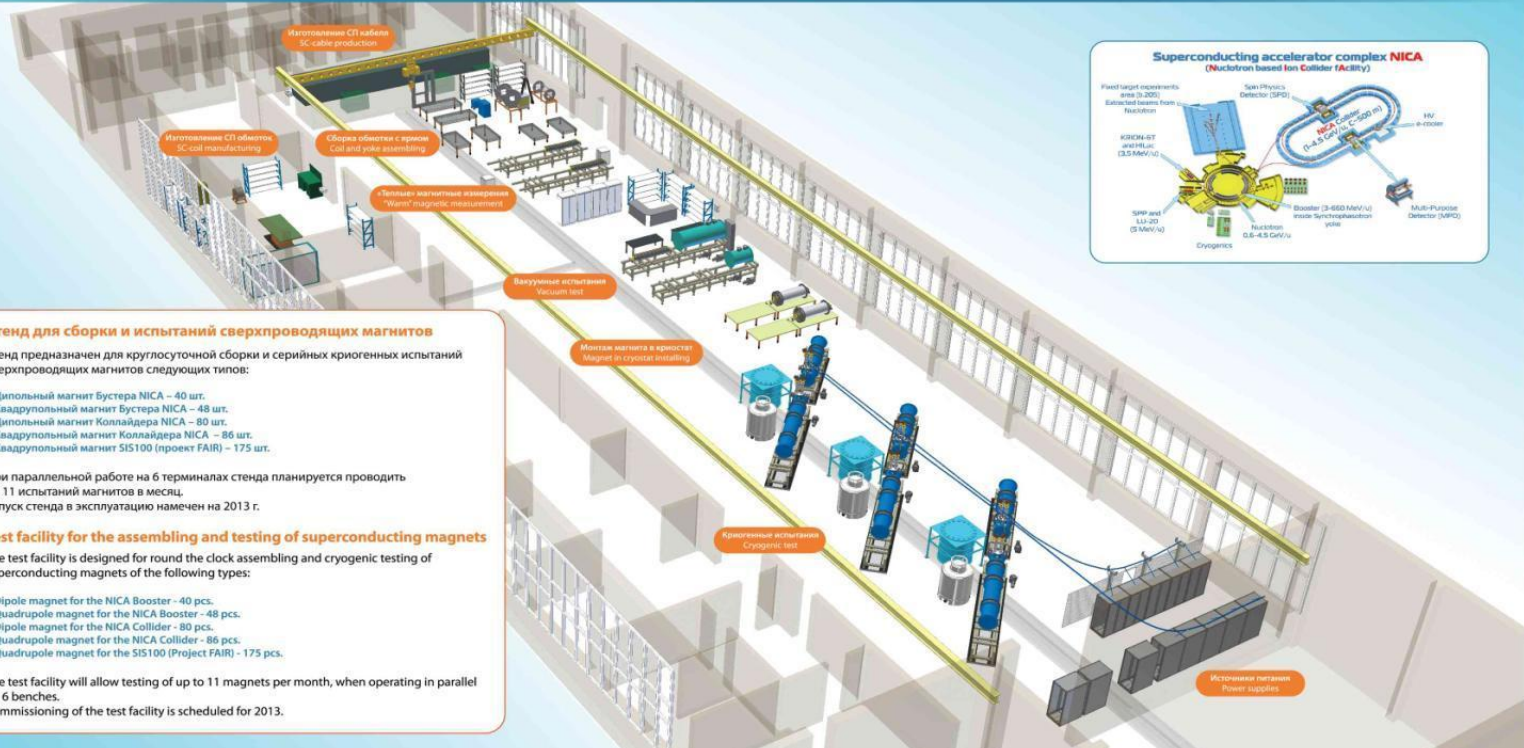
Dipole magnet for collider



Prototype of curved dipole







### Стенд для сборки и испытаний сверхпроводящих магнитов

Стенд предназначен для круглосуточной сборки и серийных криогенных испытаний сверхпроводящих магнитов следующих типов:

- Дипольный магнит Бустера NICA – 40 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит Бустера NICA – 48 шт.
- Дипольный магнит Коллайдера NICA – 80 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит Коллайдера NICA – 86 шт.
- Квадрупольный магнит SIS100 (проект FAIR) – 175 шт.

При параллельной работе на 6 терминалах стенда планируется проводить до 11 испытаний магнитов в месяц. Запуск стенда в эксплуатацию намечен на 2013 г.

### Test facility for the assembling and testing of superconducting magnets

The test facility is designed for round the clock assembling and cryogenic testing of superconducting magnets of the following types:

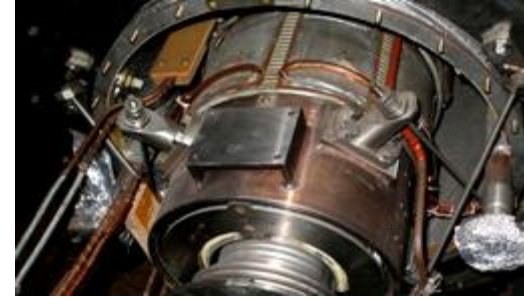
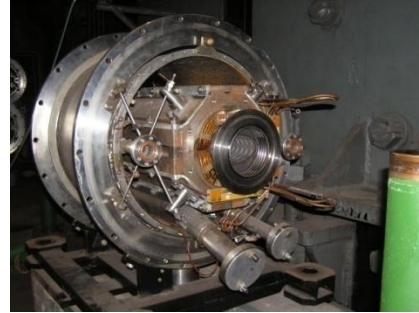
- Dipole magnet for the NICA Booster - 40 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the NICA Booster - 48 pcs.
- Dipole magnet for the NICA Collider - 80 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the NICA Collider - 86 pcs.
- Quadrupole magnet for the SIS100 (Project FAIR) - 175 pcs.

The test facility will allow testing of up to 11 magnets per month, when operating in parallel on 6 benches. Commissioning of the test facility is scheduled for 2013.



*The building is ready for the equipment installation*

# Constructing and Testing JINR Experience



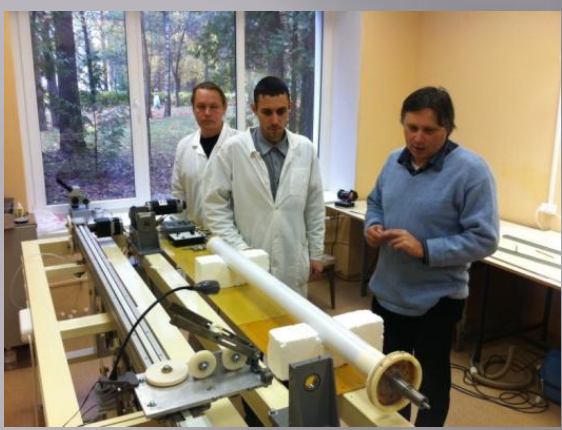
**160 SC dipole and quadrupole magnets for the Nuclotron:  
construction, test and operation since 1993.**

**26 model magnets for SIS100**

**SIS100 prototype dipole and prototype  
quadrupole magnets**



# Modern SC technologies + unique accelerator physics at JINR



Highly charged ion state for heavy ions with high intensity, e.g., Kr 28+, Xe 44+, Au 65+..32+



Quadrupole and curved Dipole magnet for booster



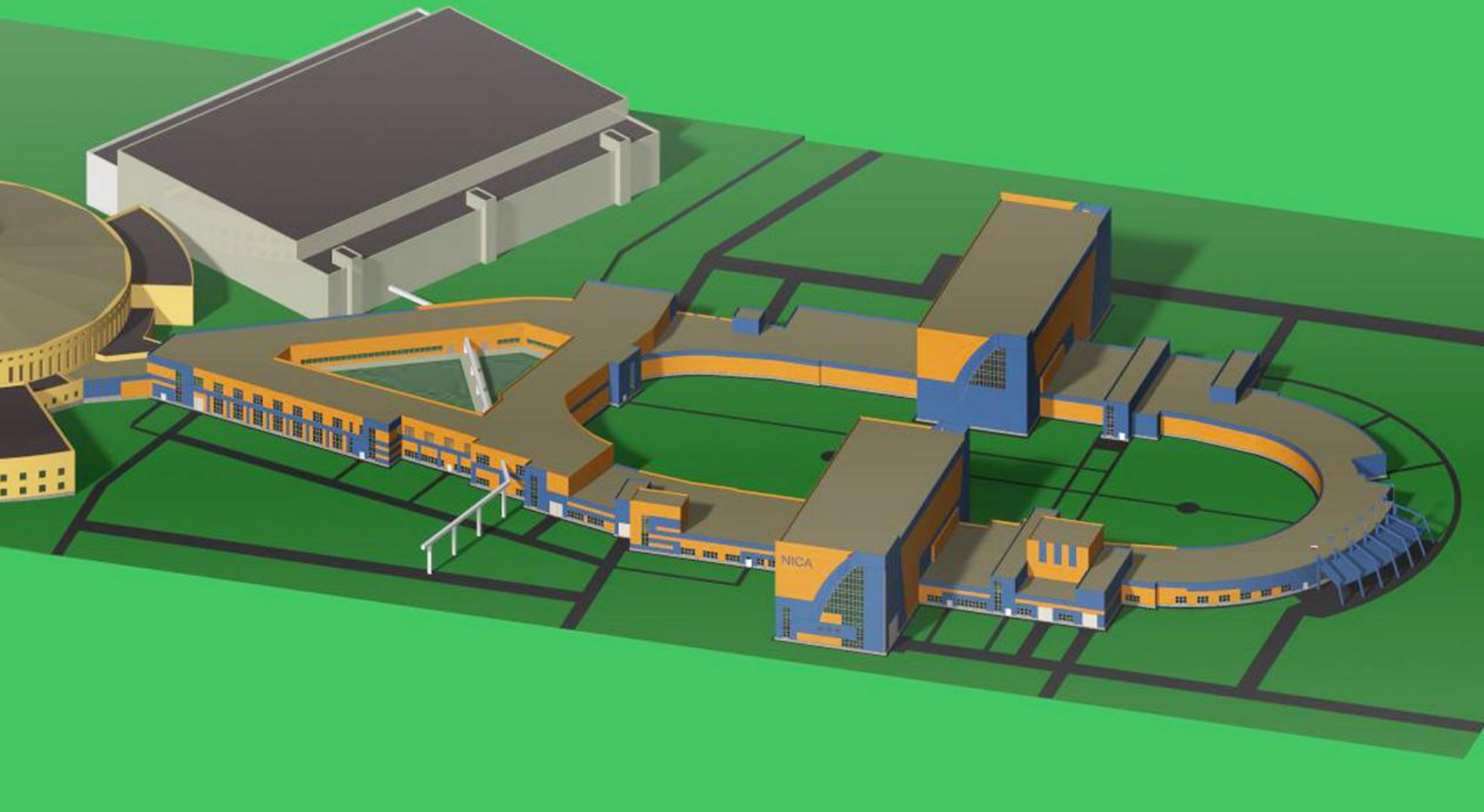
Dipole magnet for NICA collider



New Source of Polarized Ions ( $\leq 10$  mA for  $\uparrow D^+$  ( $\uparrow H^+$ )) assembled and first test has been started.

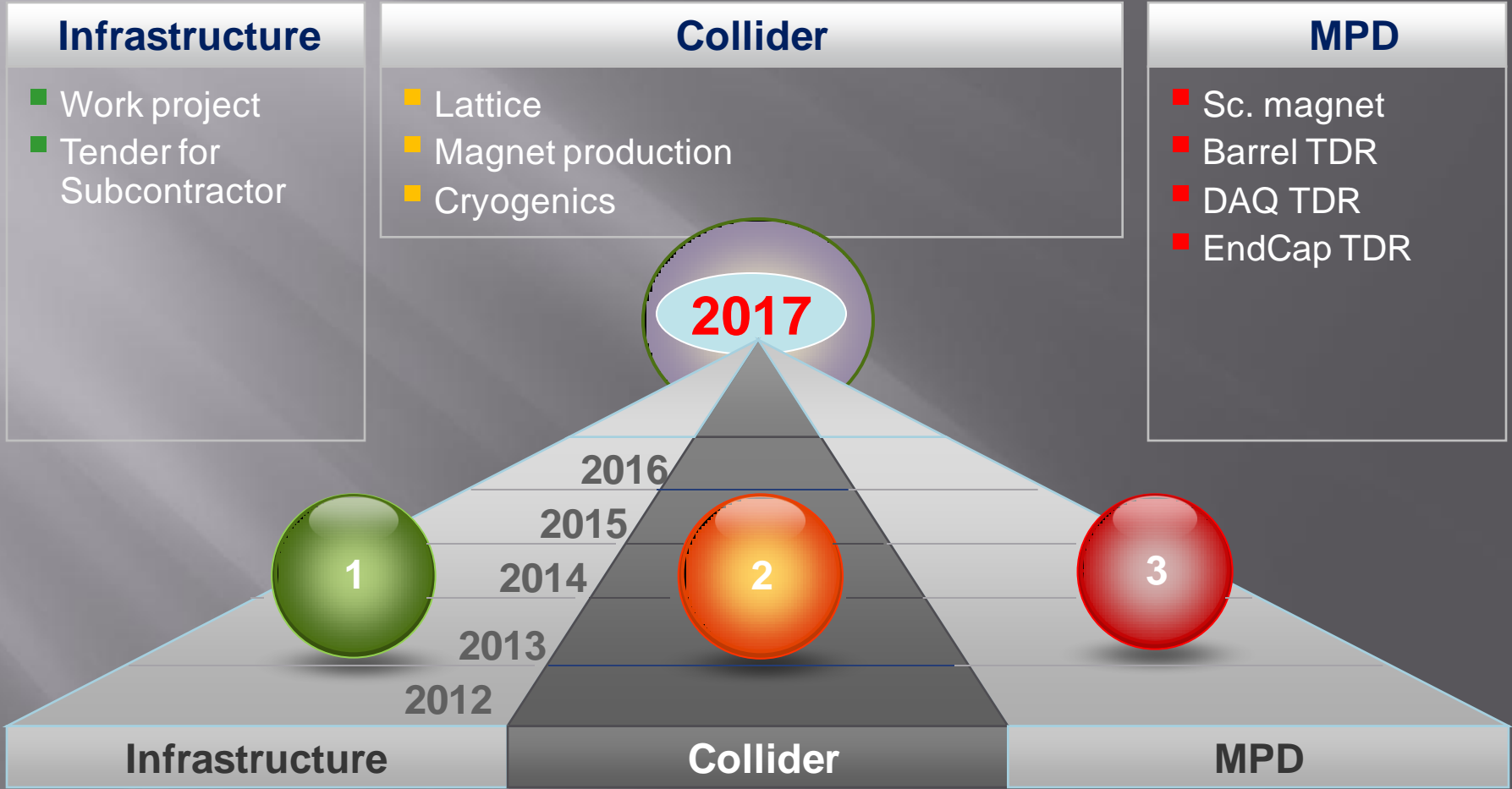


# NICA complex technical design report status



Geological, geodetical, topography measurements and drillings had been fulfilled and analyzed. Technological part of the TDR (main equipment, engineering systems, etc), radiation and environmental safety, architecture had been fulfilled. Now – the final stage: capital spending sights. Plan – to submit all documents to the State Expertise – end of 2012

# Time scales & Major milestones



# NICA Complex

## Accelerator facility

▪ **Nuclotron-M**

▪ **Nuclotron-NICA**

▪ **Collider**

*infrastructure*

## Experiments on Collider

▪ **MPD**

▪ **SPD**

*infrastructure*

## Experiments with extracted beams

▪ **BM@N**

▪ test beams

▪ innovations

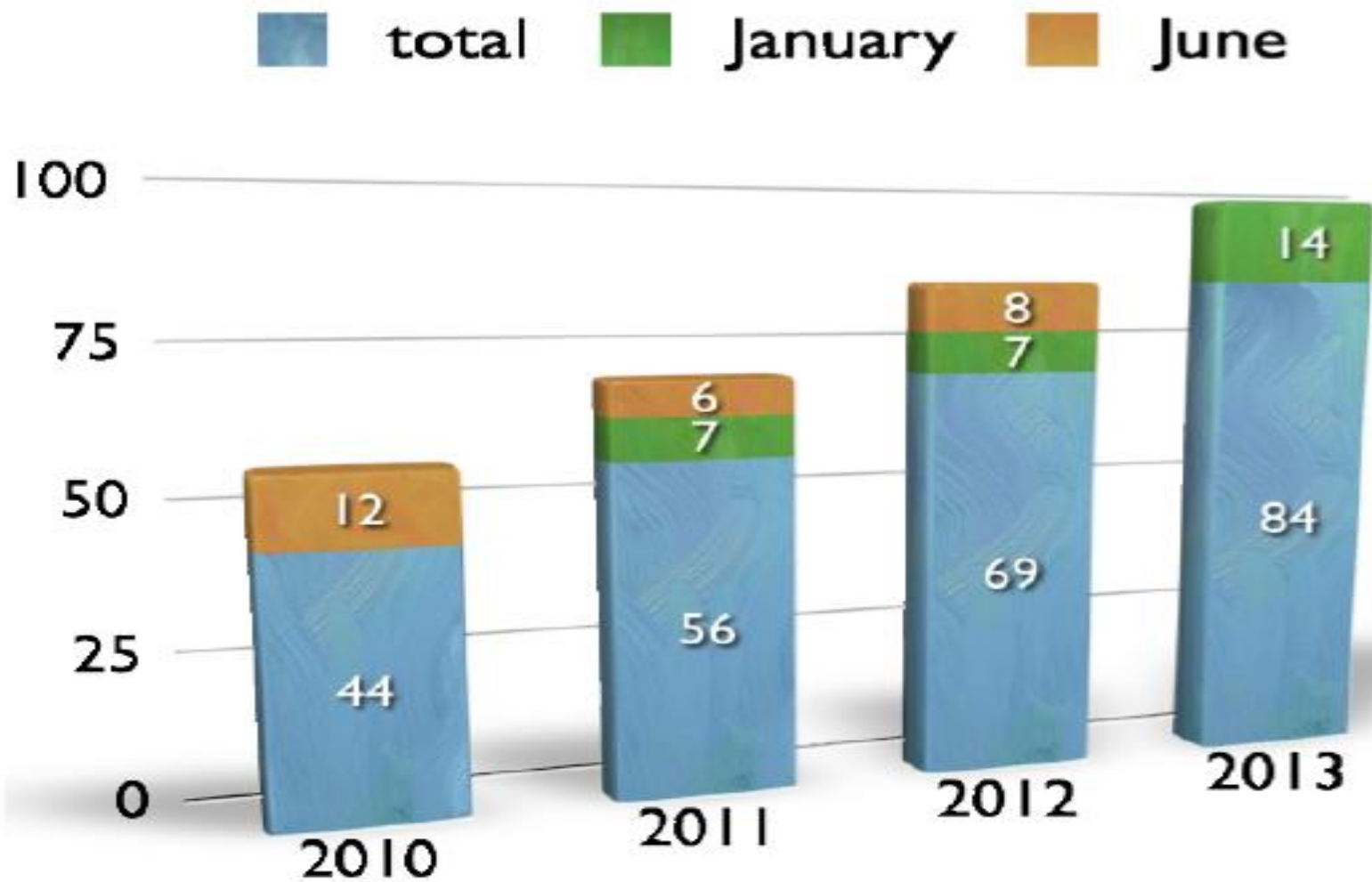
*infrastructure*

projects

*completed*

*approved, in progress*

# Statistics of White Paper Contributions



# Experiments on superdense nuclear matter

Experiments	Energy range (Au/Pb beams)	Reaction rates Hz
STAR@RHIC BNL	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7 - 200 \text{ GeV}$	<b>1 – 800</b> (limitation by luminosity)
NA61@SPS CERN	$E_{kin} = 20 - 160 \text{ A GeV}$ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 6.4 - 17.4 \text{ GeV}$	<b>80</b> (limitation by detector)
MPD@NICA Dubna	$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4.0 - 11.0 \text{ GeV}$	<b>~7000</b> (design luminosity of $10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ for heavy ions)
CBM@FAIR Darmstadt	$E_{kin} = 2.0 - 35 \text{ A GeV}$ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.7 - 8.3 \text{ GeV}$	<b><math>10^5 - 10^7</math></b> (limitation by detector)



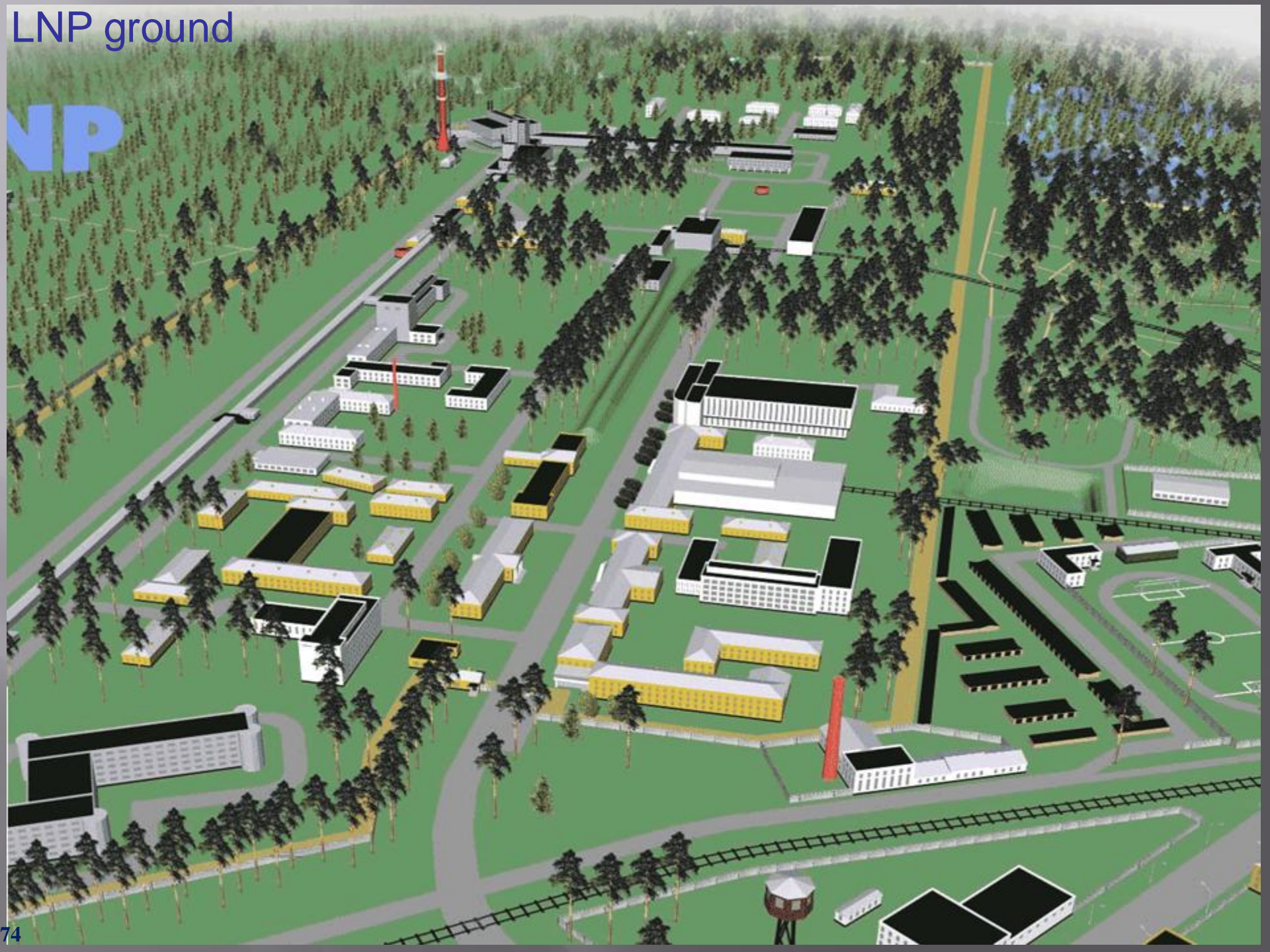
# Experiments on superdense nuclear matter

Experiments	Observables for high baryon density region			
	hadrons	correlations, fluctuations with high statistics	dileptons	charm
STAR @RHIC BNL	yes	no	no	no
NA61 @SPS CERN	yes	no	no	no
MPD @NICA Dubna	yes	yes	yes	no
CBM @FAIR Darmstadt	yes	yes	yes	yes

**Advantage of collider experiments:**  
**Uniform phase-space coverage when measuring excitation functions.**

LNP ground

LNP





# The goal of the BM@N experiment

**I. Heavy-ion collisions  $A+A$  - study of the properties of dense nuclear (dominantly baryonic) matter with strangeness :**

- production mechanisms and modifications of hadron properties in dense nuclear matter – ,in-medium effects‘

**Probes:** strange mesons, strange and multi-strange baryons;  
vector mesons via hadronic mode (dilepton/photon mode – perspectives)

- study of the **EoS** with strangeness

- **hypermatter** production:

search for **light hypernuclei** and **multi-strange** meta-stable objects

**II. Study of elementary reactions:  $p+p, p+n(d)$**

**III. Study of ,cold‘ nuclear matter: physics with  $p+A$**

**Way to study:**

**Experimental energy scan** of differential observables in comparison with theory

**Observables:**

- **Excitation function of particle yields and ratios**
- **Transverse mass  $m_T$  and momentum  $p_T$  spectra**
- **Rapidity distributions**
- **Collective flow - anisotropy coefficients ( $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$ )**
- **Fluctuations**
- **Correlations**