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## The Future of Particle Physics Beyond Colliders at CERN

PBC: Study Group mandated by the CERN Management  
to prepare the next European HEP strategy update (2019-20)  
coordination: J. Jäckel, M. Lamont, C.V.

Excerpt from the PBC mandate:

*“Explore the opportunities offered by the CERN accelerator complex and infrastructure to address some of today’s outstanding questions in particle physics through experiments complementary to high-energy colliders and other initiatives in the world.”*

Time scale: next 2 decades

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## PBC EVENTS

**KICK-OFF WORKSHOP, CERN, Sept. 6-7, 2016**

**Call for abstracts → 33 abstracts submitted, 20 selected for presentation**

**1<sup>st</sup> GENERAL WORKING GROUP MEETING, CERN, March 1-2, 2017**

**Identification of main issues to be studied**

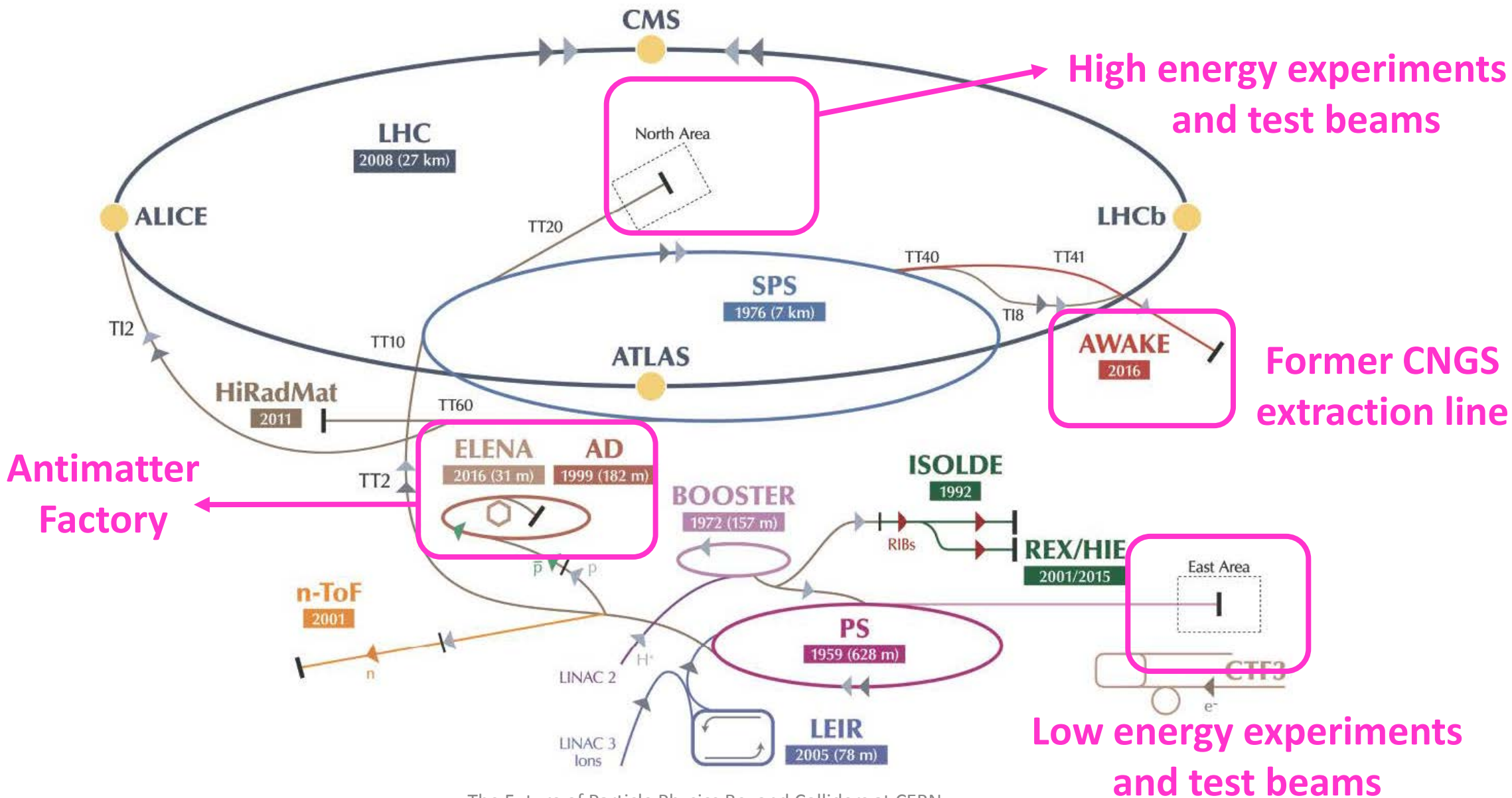
**FOLLOW-UP WORKSHOP, CERN, November 21-22, 2017**

**Working groups project reports**

**New call for abstracts → 10 abstracts submitted, 7 selected for presentation**

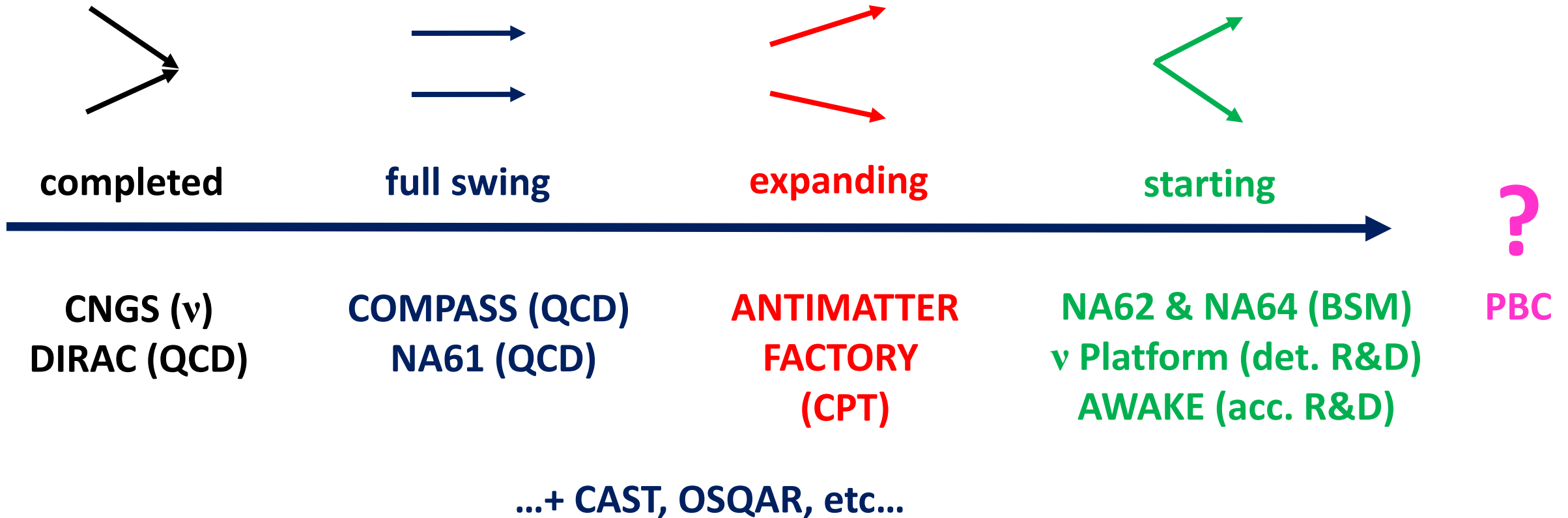
*NB: credit to Collaborations for the plots shown in this presentation*

# THE CERN ACCELERATOR COMPLEX



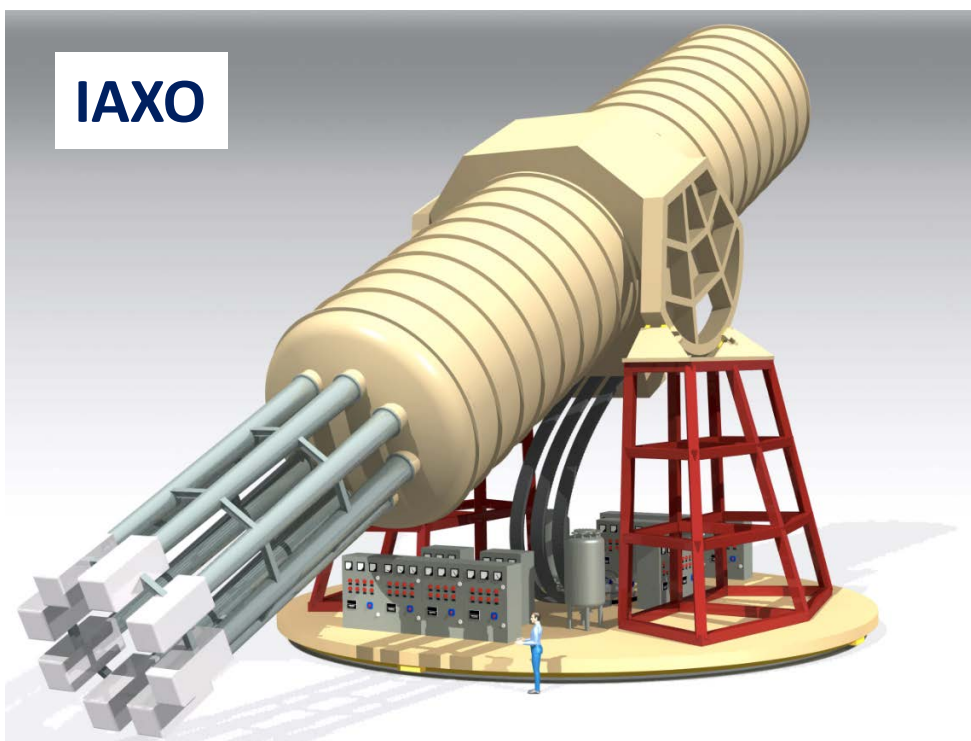
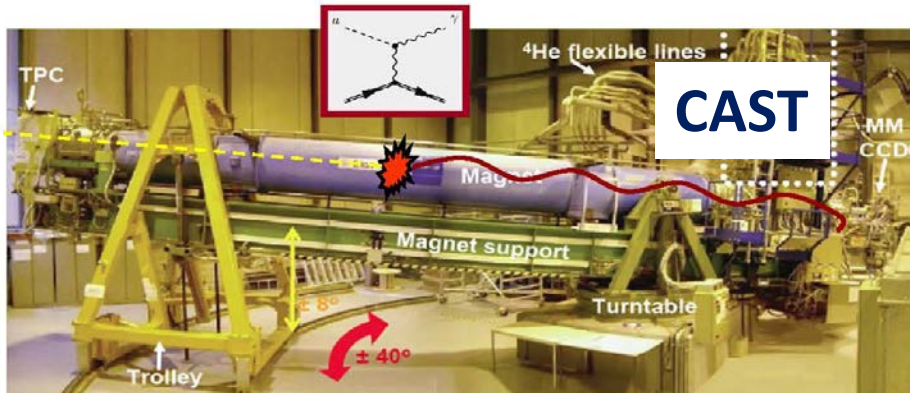
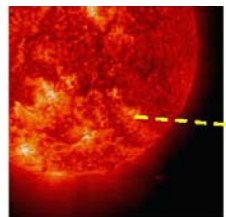
# PBC BUILDS ON A DECADE OF VIBRANT “DIVERSITY” PHYSICS AT CERN !

~1000 physicists on ~20 experiments



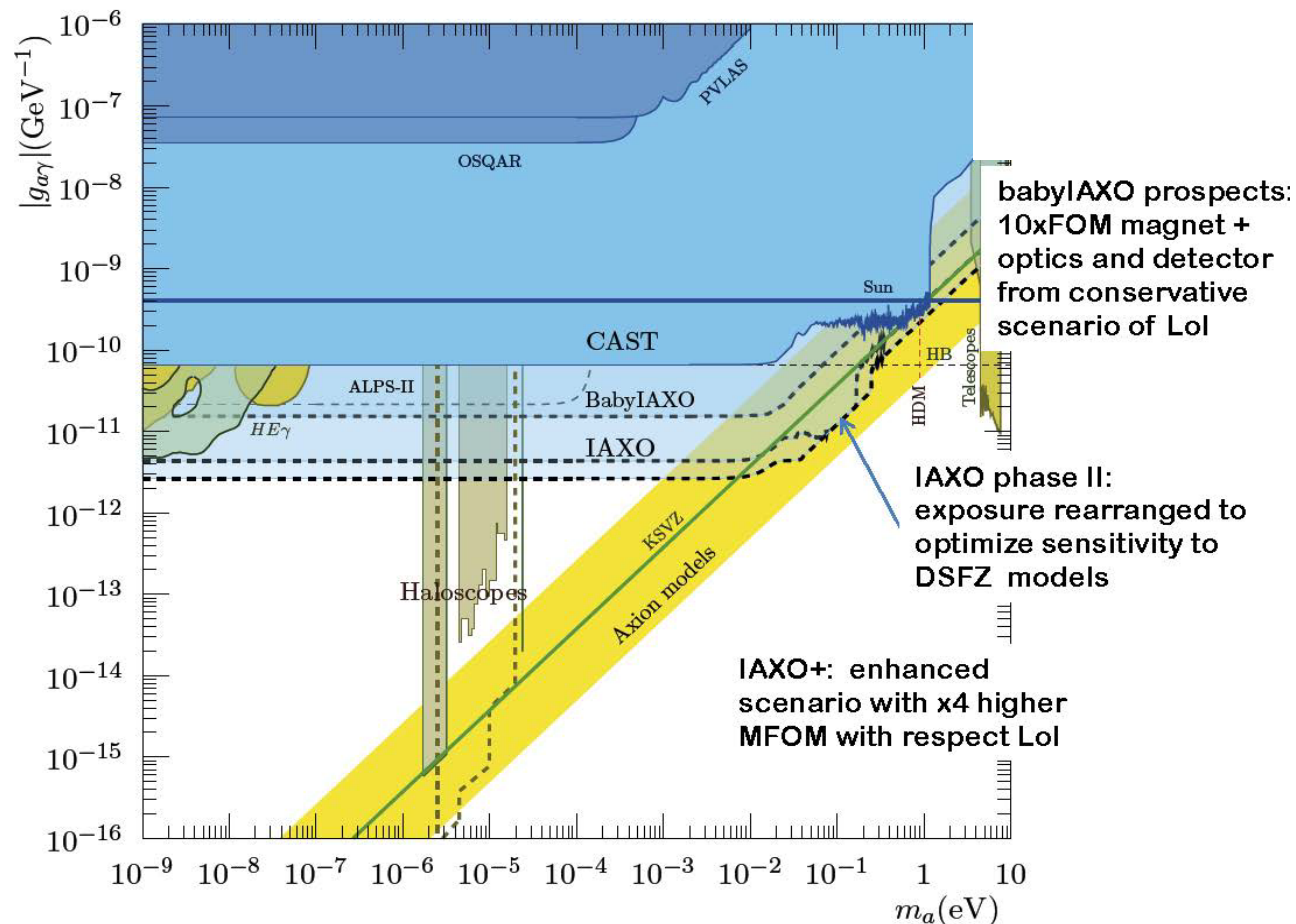
*Recent stop of major programs (e.g. CNGS) leaves room to new significant initiatives*

- 1) Non-accelerator projects**
- 2) Long term large facilities**
- 3) Antimatter factory**
- 4) QCD Fixed Target**
- 5) BSM Fixed Target**



# Solar Axions: IAXO

## Next generation Axion Helioscope beyond CAST

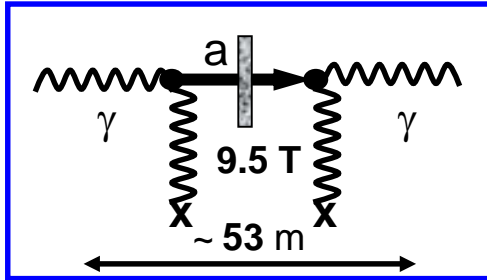


Will profit from CERN magnet expertise for babyIAXO and proposal preparation

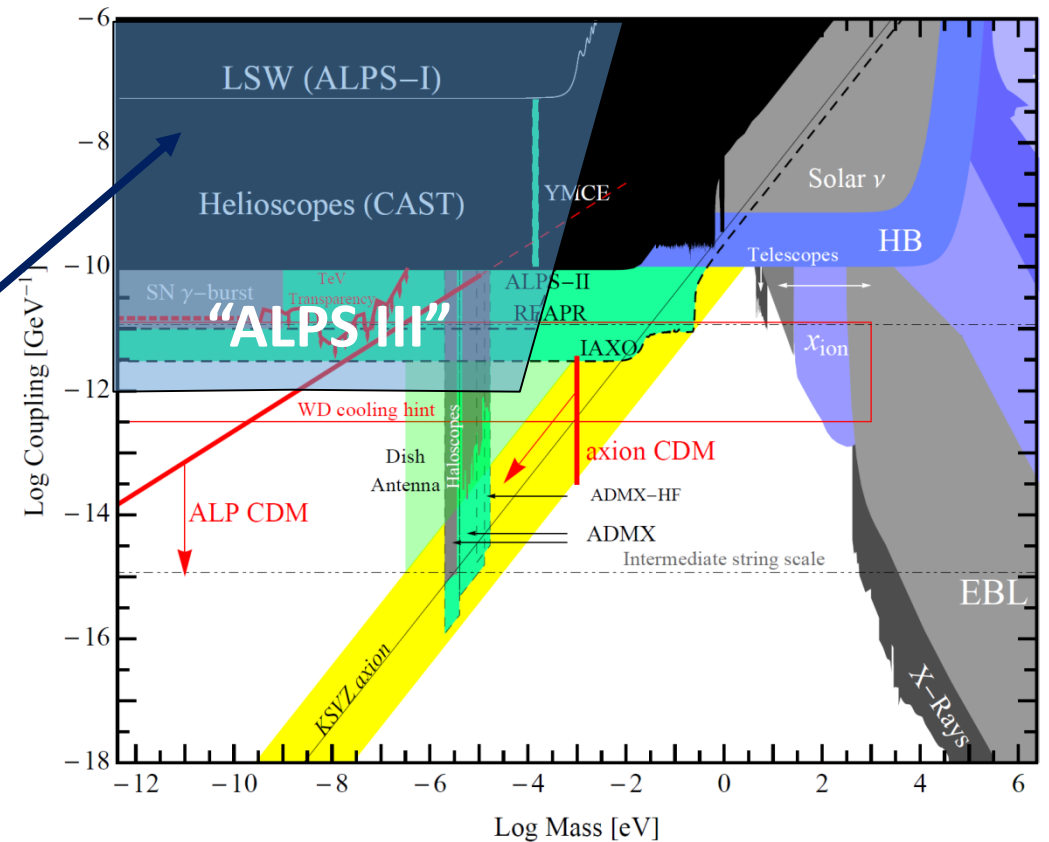
**Main IAXO issues:** Collaboration strengthening and helioscope siting (DESY option)

# Laboratory Axions: "ALPS III"

Light shining through a wall



Comparable limits obtained by  
**OSQAR@CERN** and **ALPS@DESY**  
**ALPSII@DESY under construction**

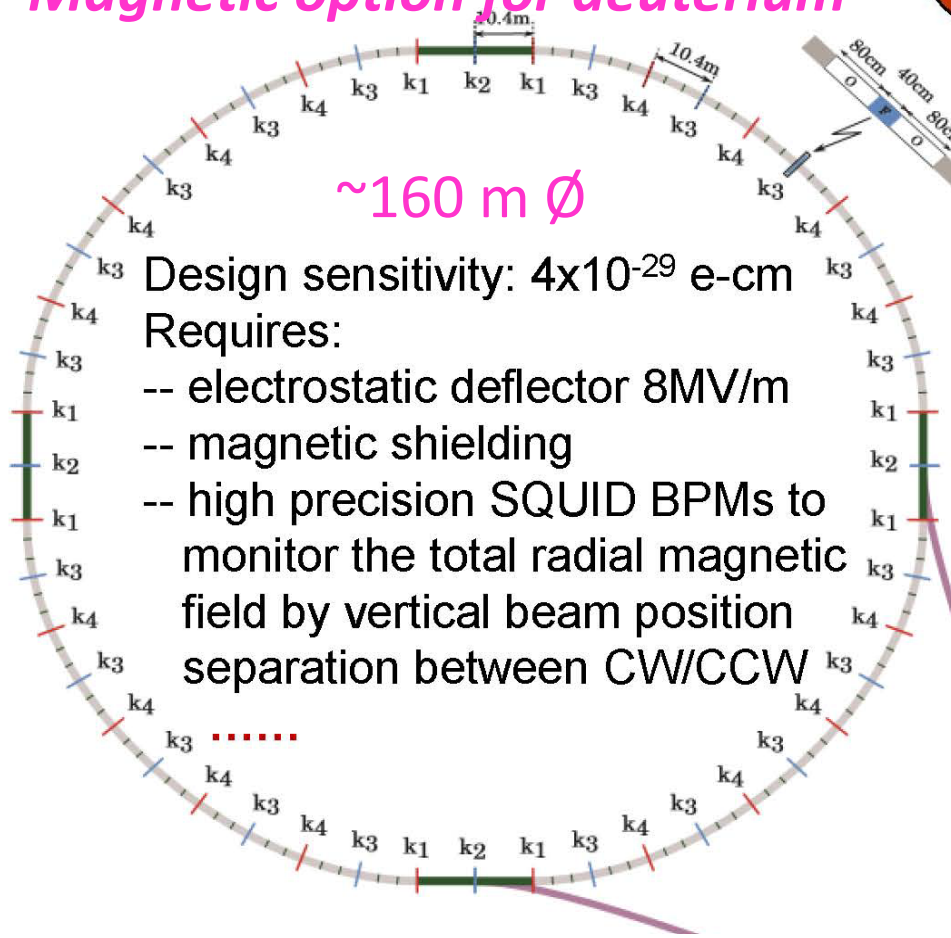
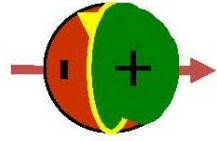


Dipole	Aperture [mm]	Field strength [T]	LSW experiment	Number of used dipoles
HERA (straightened)	50	5.3	ALPS II (DESY)	20
LHC	40	9.0	OSQAR (CERN)	2
"FCC"	100 (40)	13 (20)	"ALPS III"	

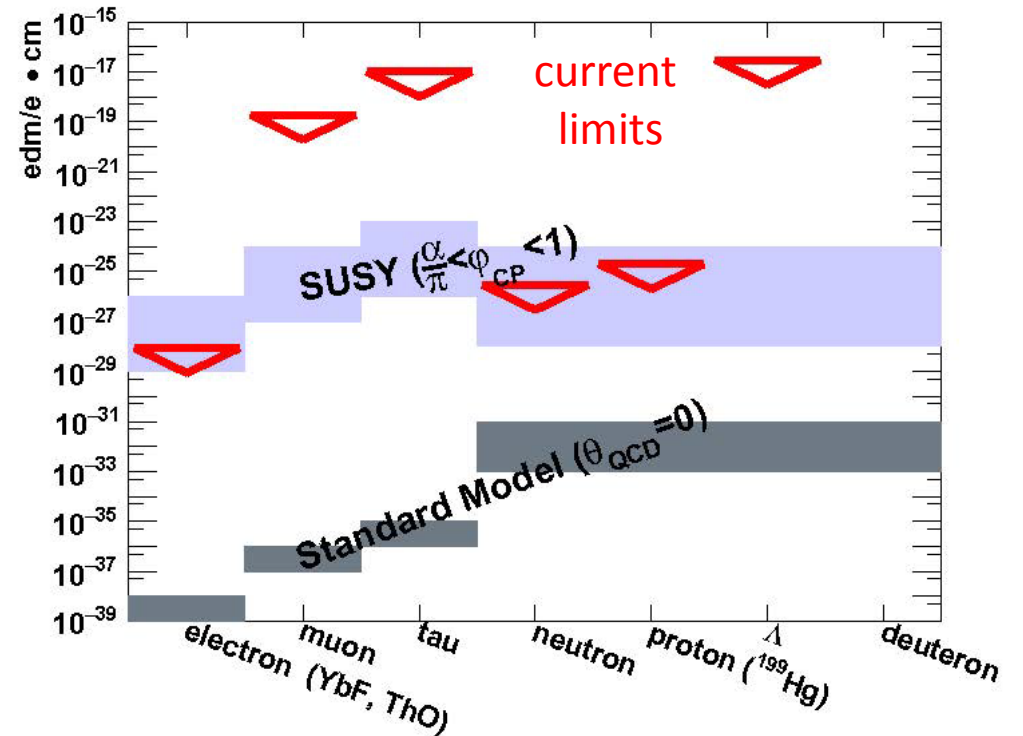
*A combined project ("ALPS III") could benefit from CERN high field magnet developments*

# Storage Ring for proton/deuterium EDM

*Electrostatic option for proton*  
*Magnetic option for deuterium*



$10^{-29}$  e-cm sensitivity would correspond to 100 TeV for new physics energy scale  
 + recent idea to look for axion DM through oscillating EDMs



*Ring design ongoing by CERN with srEDM and JEDI collaborations*

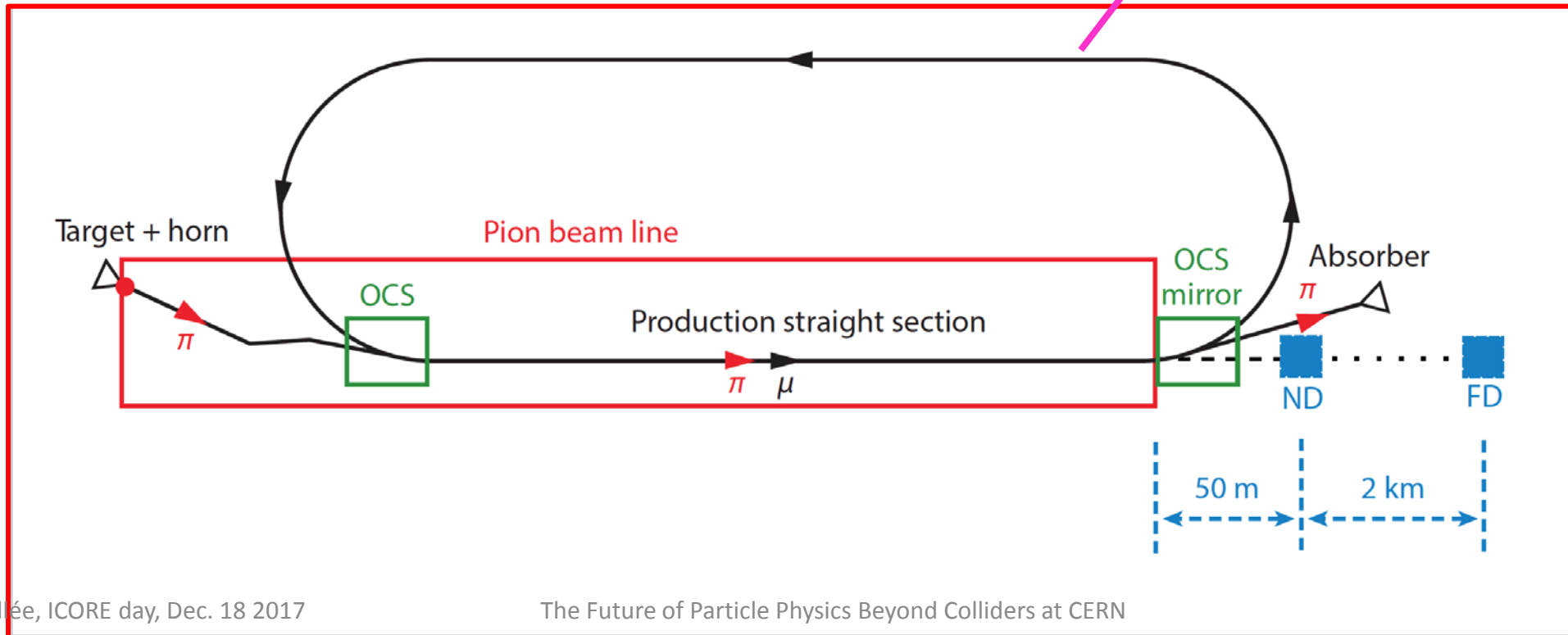
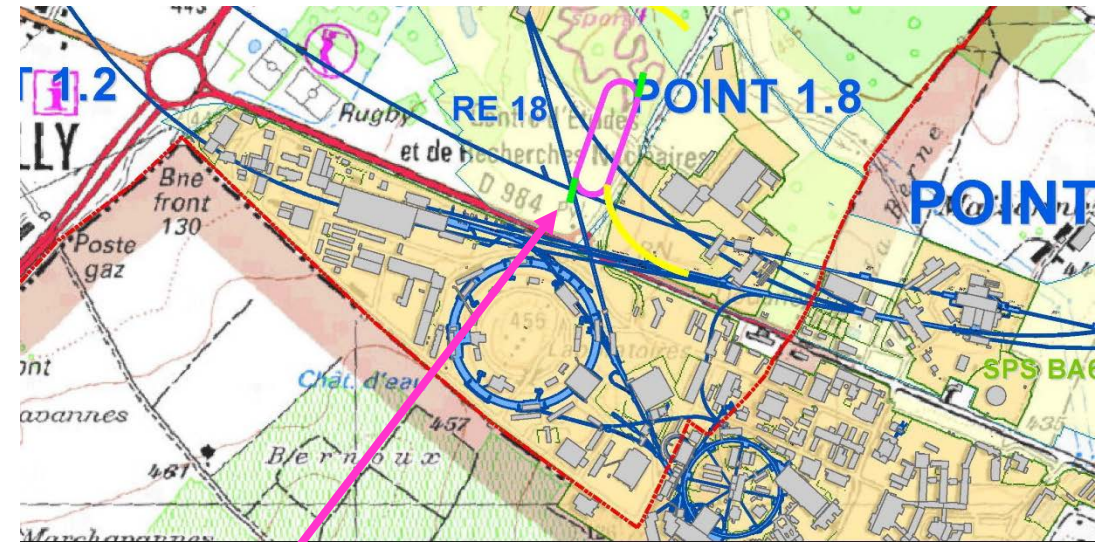
**Main issue: control of systematic effects (e.g. B fields)**



# NuSTORM

Well controlled  $\nu$  beam from a  $\mu$  storage ring.

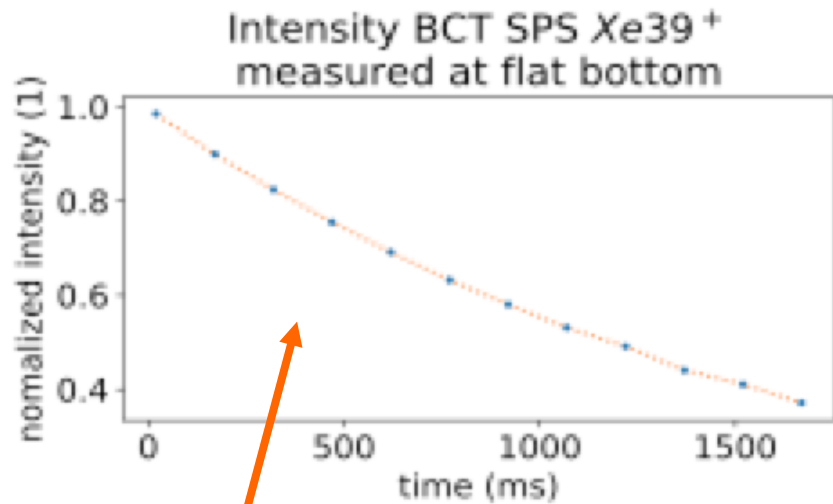
Would allow precise  $\sigma(\nu)$  measurements.  
Also a path towards a  $\nu$  factory or a  $\mu$  collider.



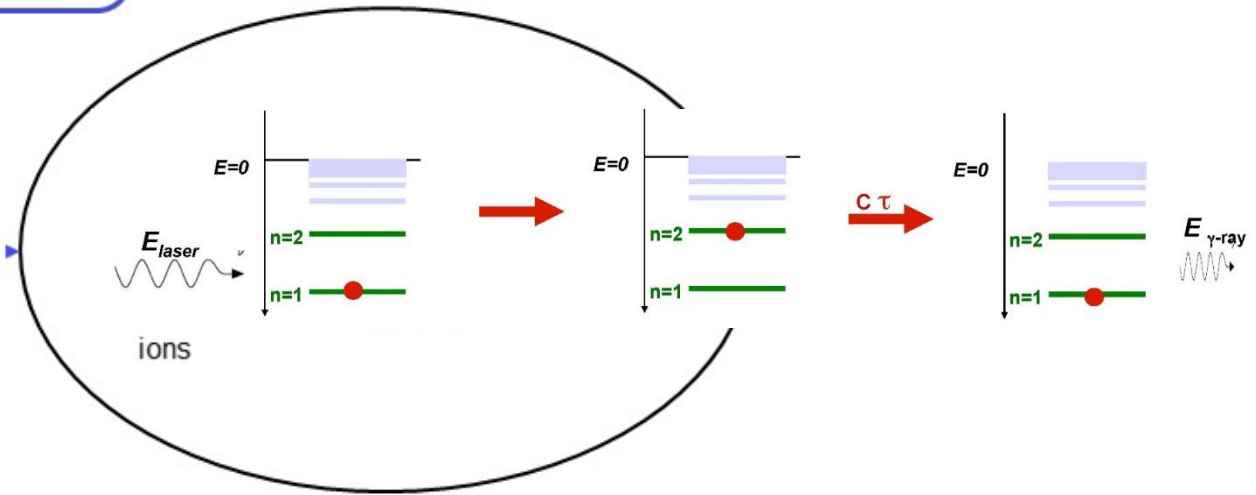
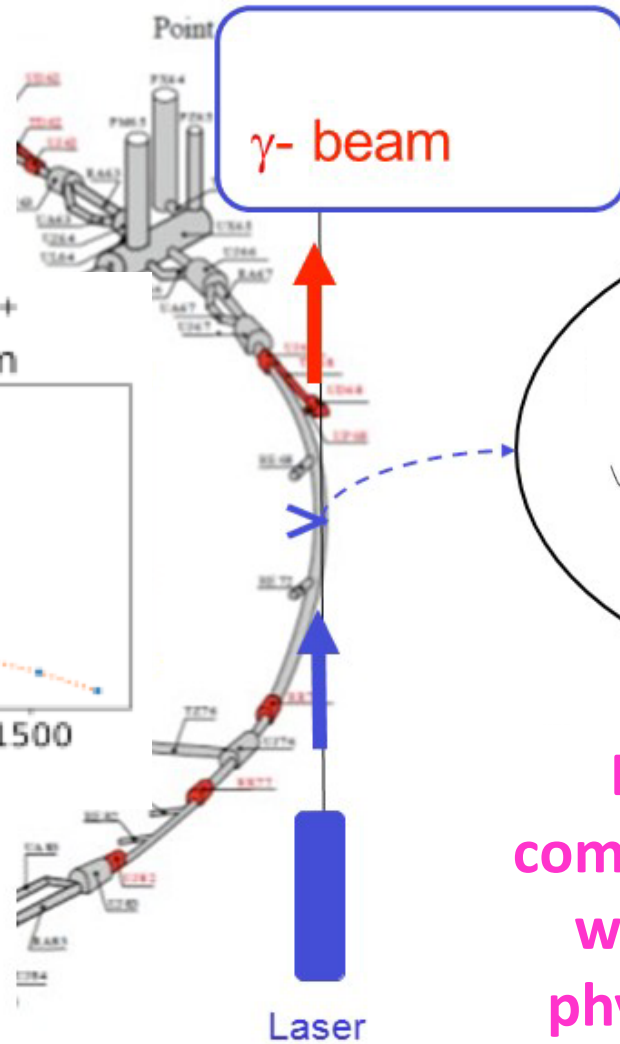
# New idea: Gamma Factory

Use LHC beam to convert laser photons into 0.1 - 400 MeV  $\gamma$  rays

LHC filled with Partially Stripped Ions



**NB: encouraging lifetime > 1s measured in SPS for 39+Xe PSI**



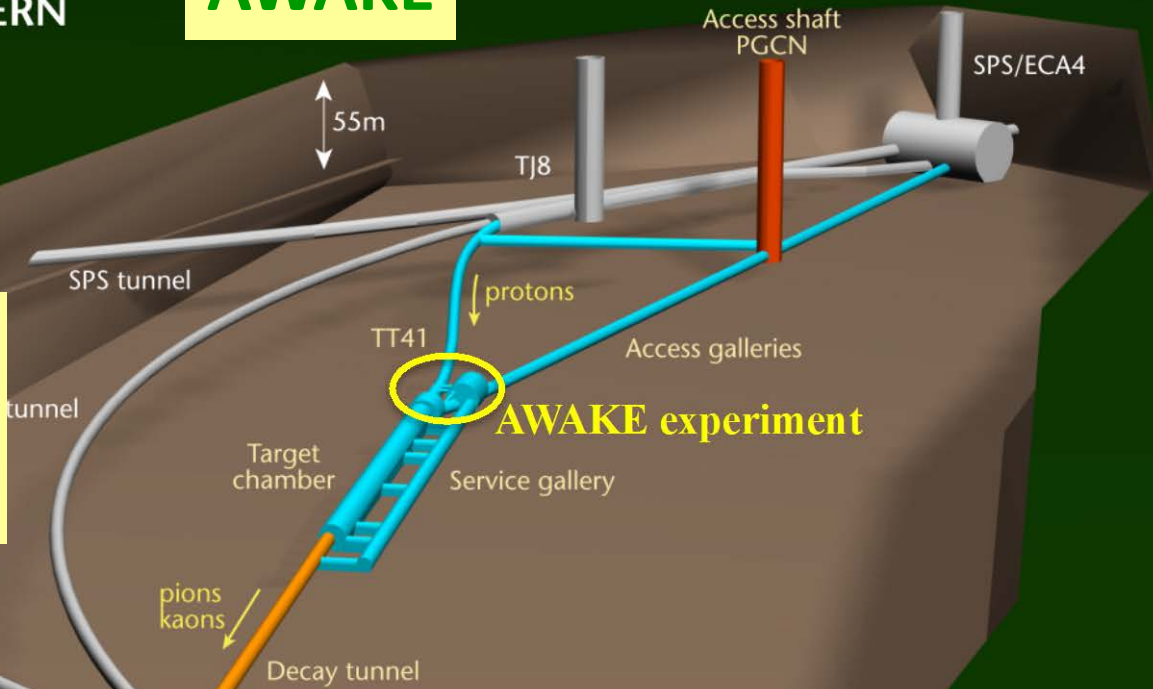
Expect factor  $10^7$  intensity increase compared to present e-driven  $\gamma$  ray beams, would open a completely new field of physics measurements and applications.

# CERN NEUTRINOS TO GRAN SASSO Underground structures at CERN

## AWAKE

- Excavated
- Concreted
- Decay tube (2nd contract)

*R&D for electron acceleration with a plasma cell excited by proton bunches*



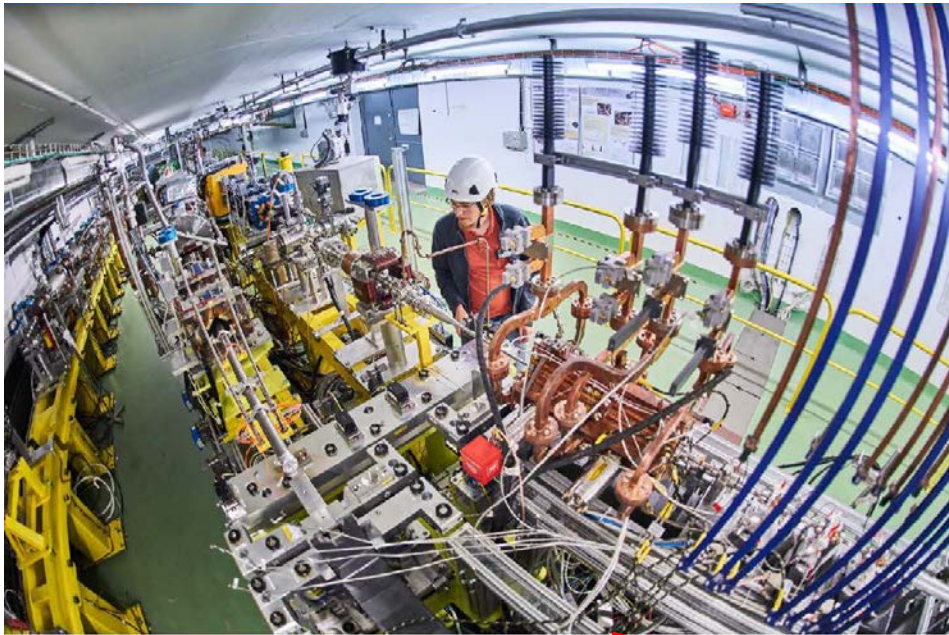
140m



**First accelerated electrons expected in 2017-18**

*Could provide  $\sim 10^{15}$   $\sim 30$  GeV  $e^-$ 's/year in the post-LS3 era to an expt located in the CNGS decay tunnel*

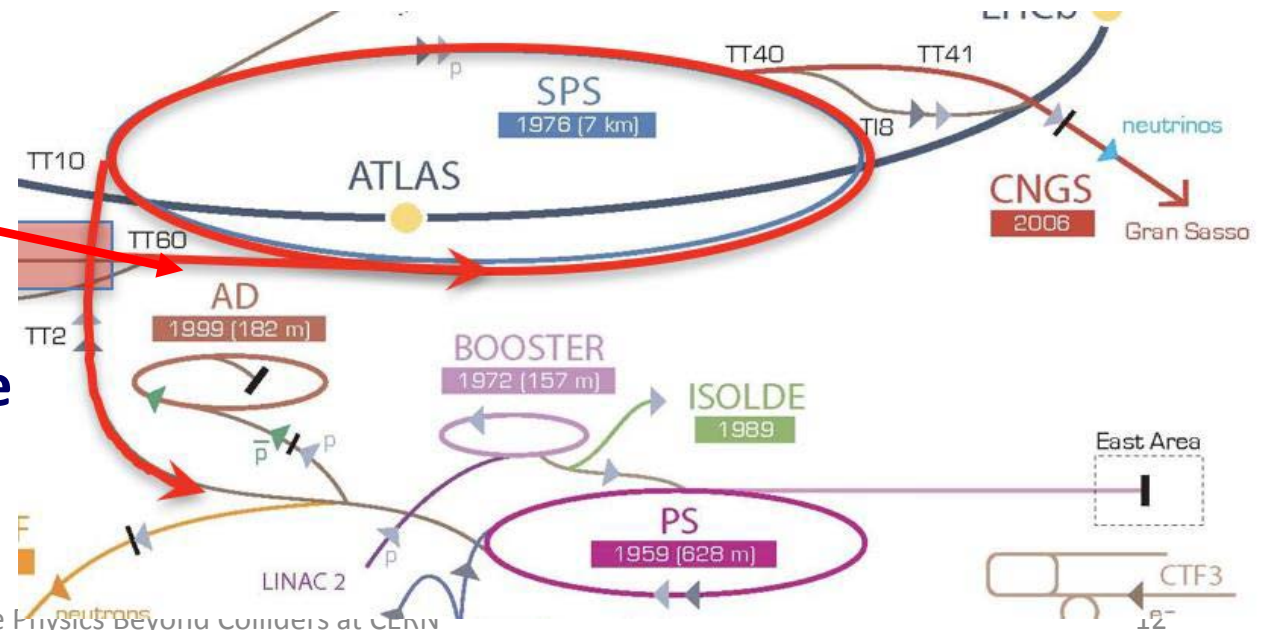
## New idea: CLEAR++



*3 GeV e-LINAC with CLIC technology  
connected to SPS for acceleration to ~10 GeV*

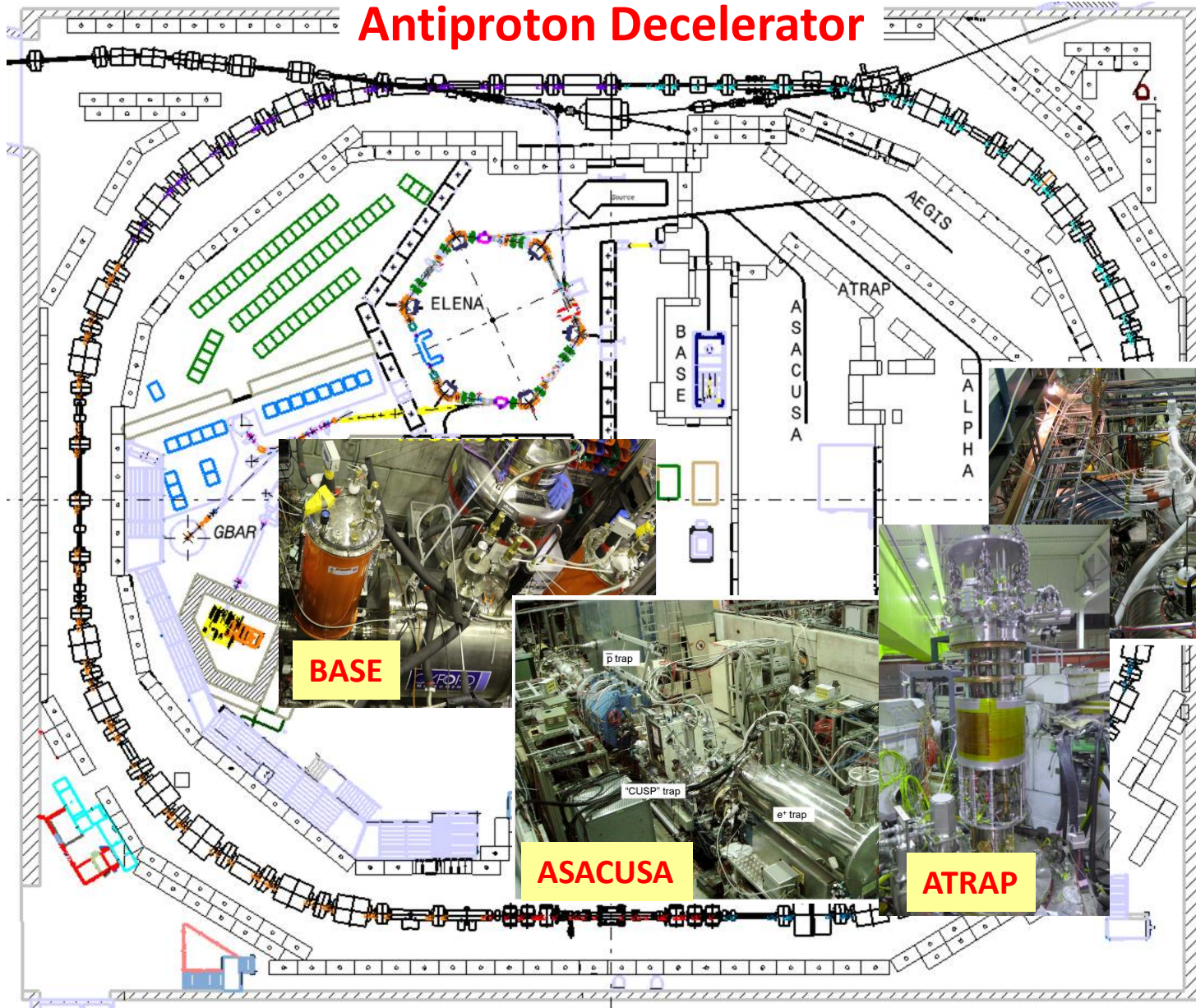
**Would provide a unique testbed for  
R&D on linear acceleration techniques**

**Slow extraction from SPS would allow  
hidden sector searches in the invisible mode  
( $\sim 10^{16}$  e/year to expts à la NA64/LDMX)**



# ANTIMATTER FACTORY

## Antiproton Decelerator



4 running experiments devoted to Antiproton and Antihydrogen Properties

2.5 more in preparation to test gravity of Antihydrogen: AEGIS/GBAR/ALPHA-g

**AFTER LS2: ELENA**  
*(under commissioning)*

ALPHA

BASE

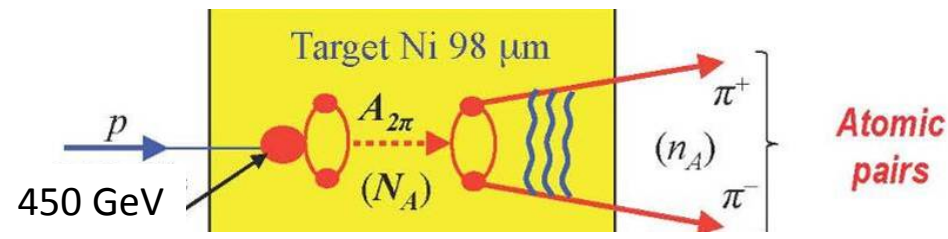
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ATRAP

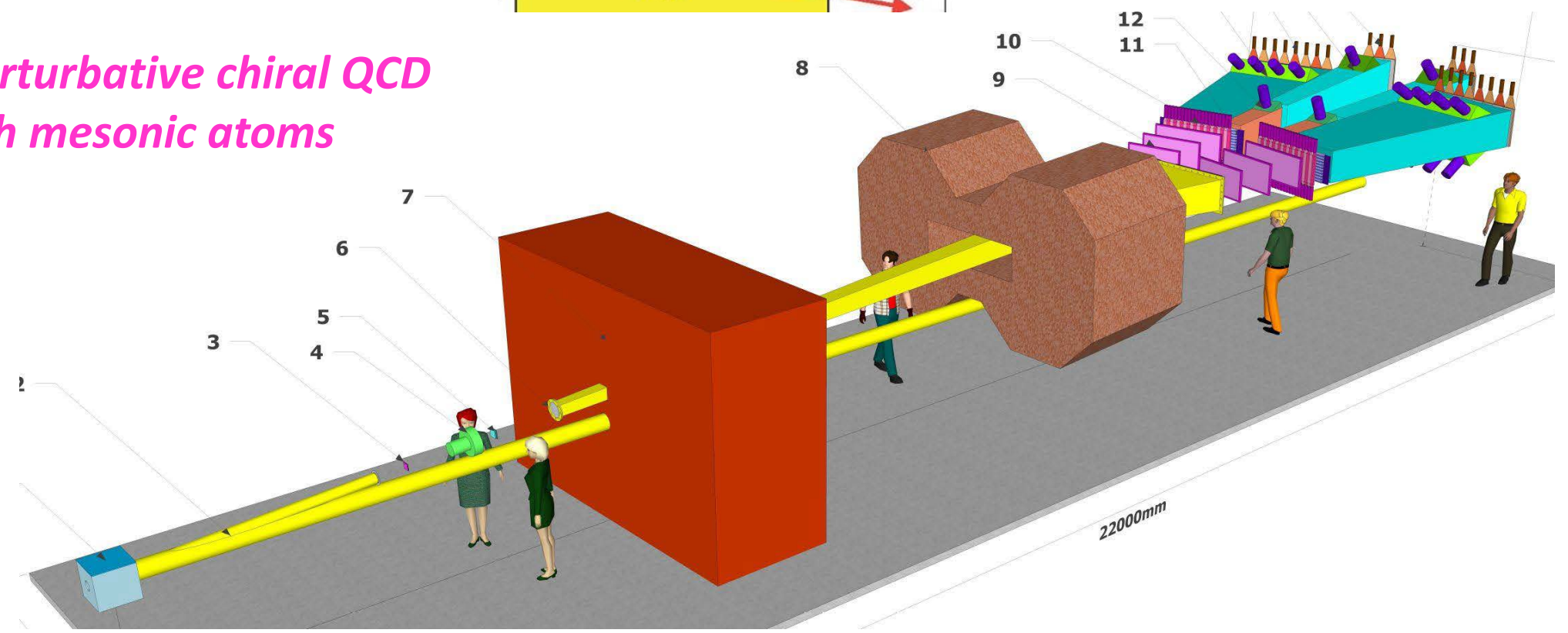
Further deceleration of pbar from 5 MeV to 100 KeV → trapping efficiency x ~100

*Secures antimatter physics for the next decade*

**DIRAC@SPS**



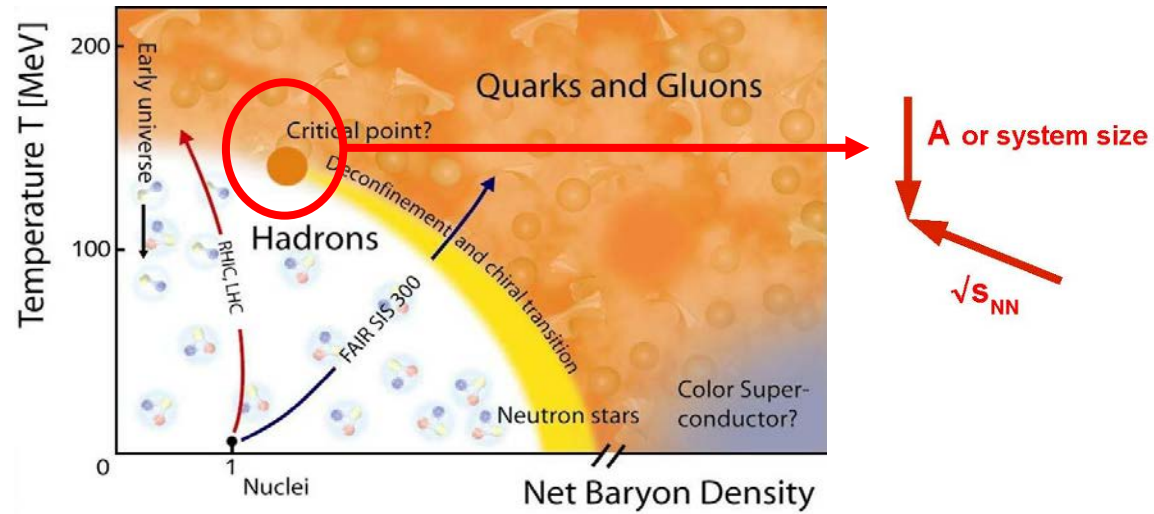
*Low E perturbative chiral QCD  
with mesonic atoms*



**Improved statistics at SPS (~PSx20) would allow precision measurement of  $\pi K$  atoms for quantitative test of chiral  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$  symmetry breaking**

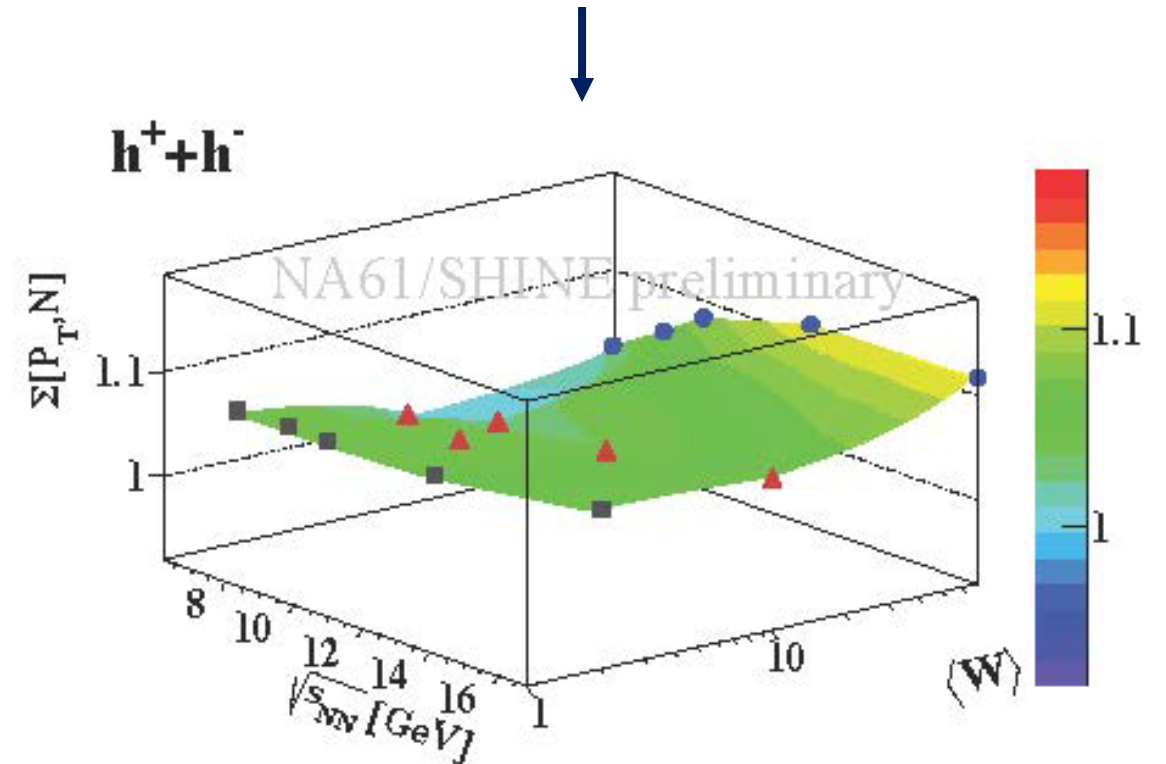
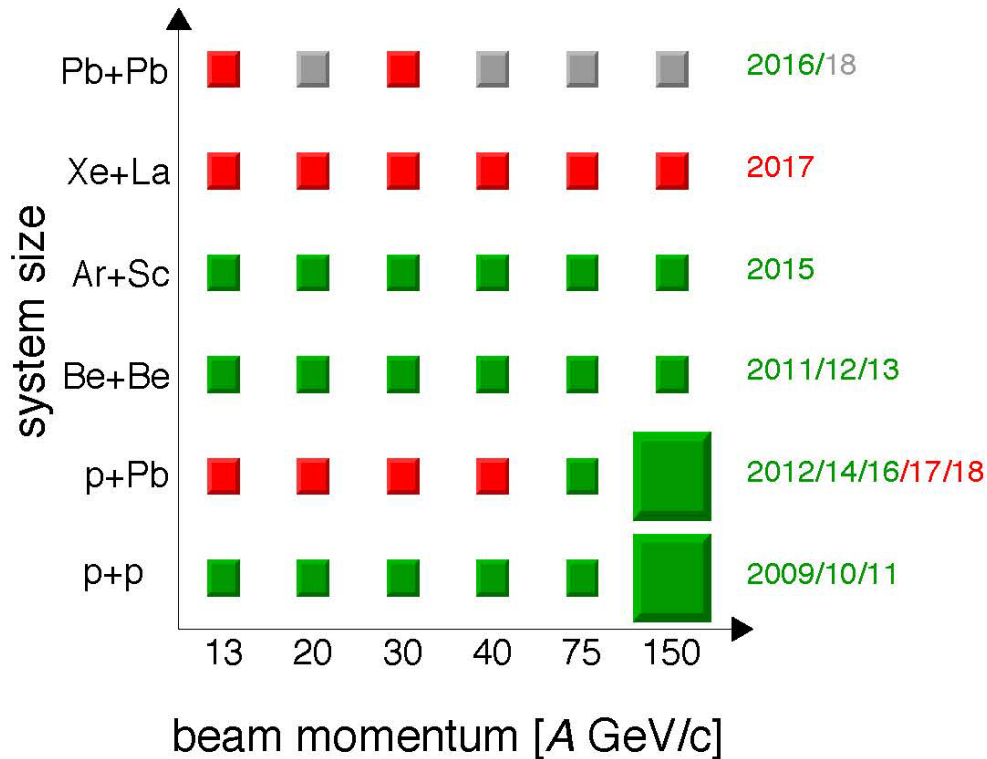
**Main issues: siting at CERN and strength of Collaboration**

# NA61/SHINE



Search for QCD Critical Point by scan in the  $(T, \mu_B)$  plane

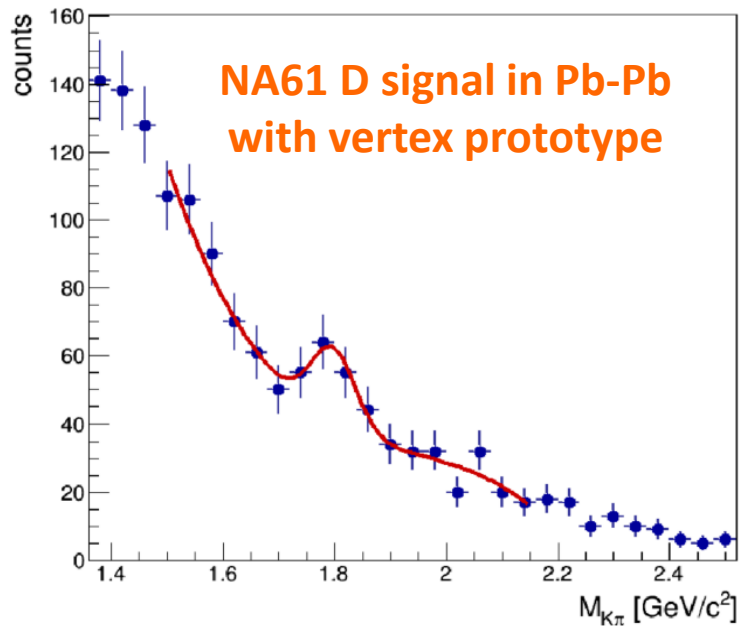
Scan to be completed until LS2  
*No indication of CP yet*



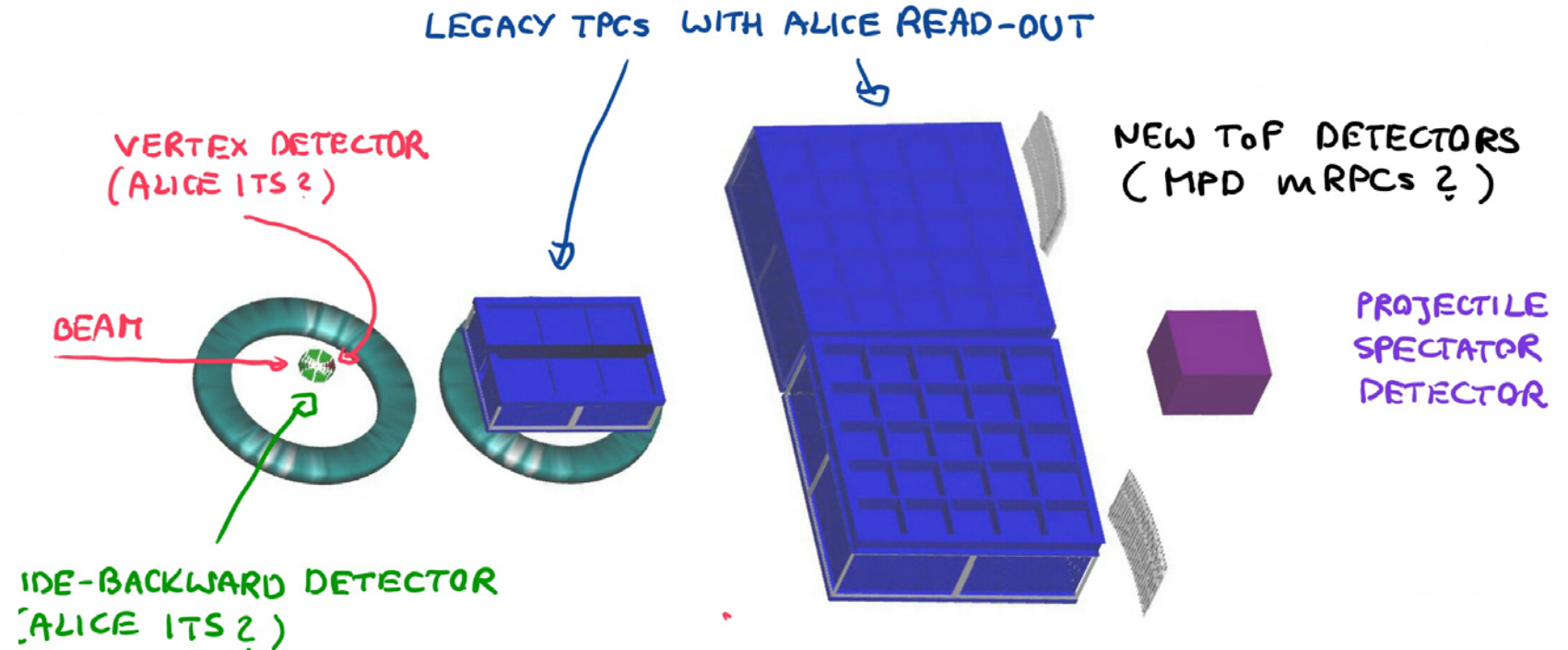
# NA61/SHINE

AFTER LS2:

wish to further study  
QCD deconfinement  
with open charm



REQUIRED FACILITY UPGRADES



Would allow to disentangle statistical/dynamical models  
in complement of  $J/\psi$  data from NA38/NA50

Main issues: factor 10 increase in beam intensity and high rate data taking

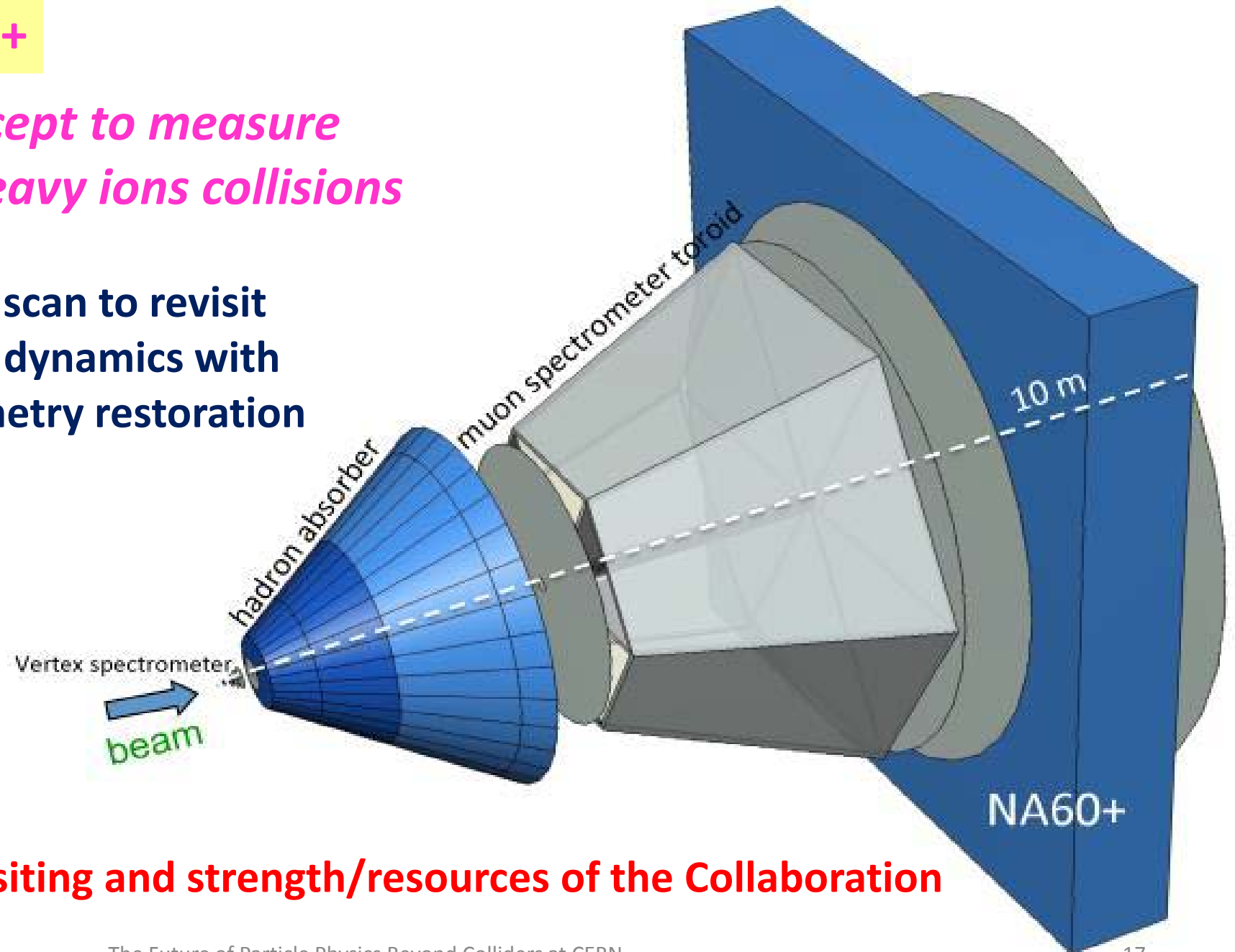
NB: NA61 large acceptance TPC still unique after LS2 to constrain  $\nu$  beam fluxes



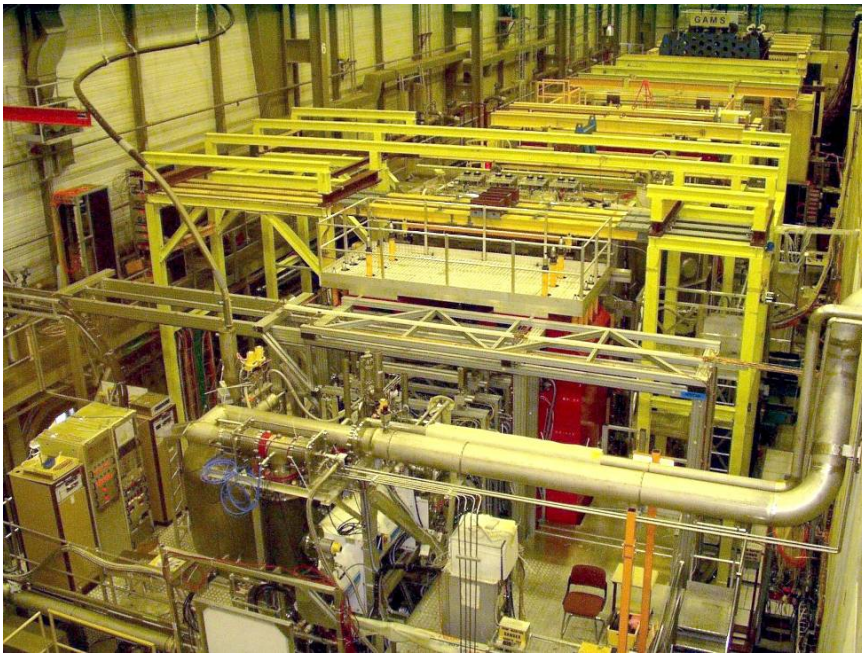
## NA60++

*Revival of NA60 concept to measure low mass dimuons in heavy ions collisions*

**New feature: energy scan to revisit QCD phase transition dynamics with a focus on chiral symmetry restoration**

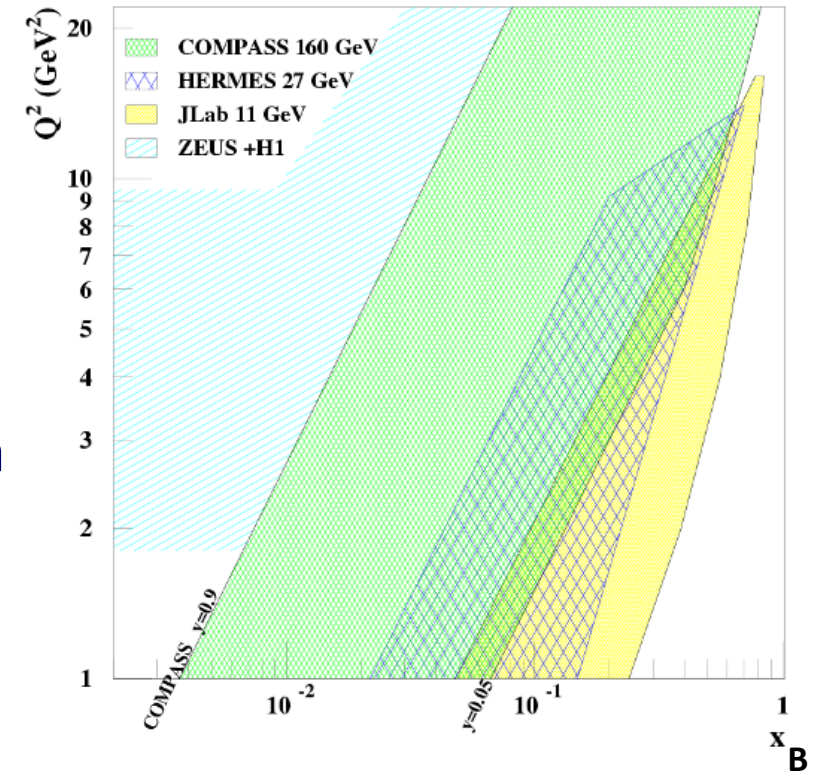


**Main issues: Experiment siting and strength/resources of the Collaboration**



## COMPASS

a large acceptance spectrometer in the intermediate  $x$ -domain between H1/ZEUS and HERMES/JLAB



**COMPASS I (< 2012):**

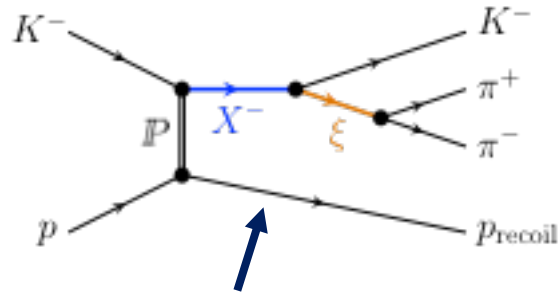
**Spin content of the proton constituents with polarized DIS**

**COMPASS II (2014-18):**

**Orbital momentum with DVCS  
TMD effects with polarized DY**

# COMPASS++ (long term plans > 2025)

*Wish RF separated antiproton and kaon beams (1 x 50)*



- High statistics strange meson spectroscopy
- Exotic states spectroscopy complementary to LHCb/PANDA
- Kaon and antiproton structure

Two body thresholds

Molecules

Glueonic Excitations

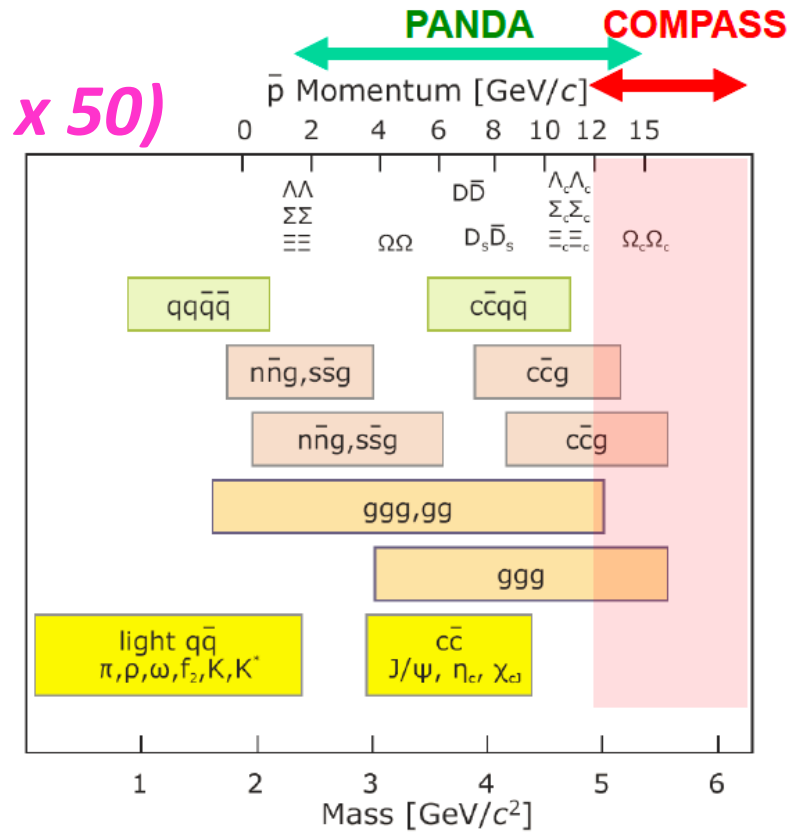
Hybrids

Hybrids+Recoil

Glueballs

Glueballs+Recoil

$q\bar{q}$  Mesons



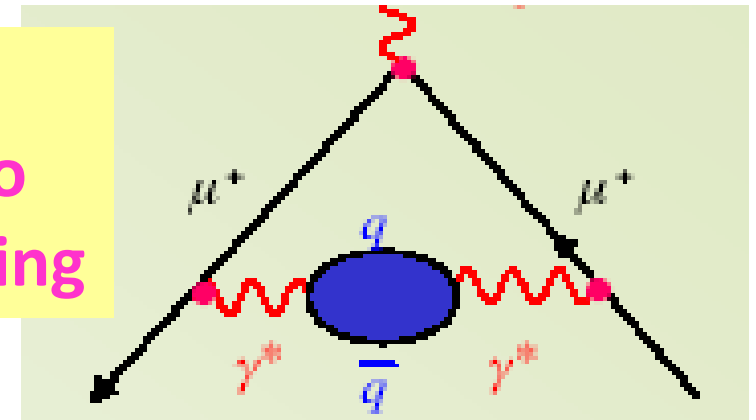
DY statistics	NH <sub>3</sub>	Al (7cm)	W	NA3	NA10	E537	E615
K <sup>-</sup> beam	14,000	2,800	29,600	700			
$\bar{p}$ beam	15,750	2,750	22,500			387	

**Main issues: Competition, cost/schedule of RF separated beam, Collaboration support**

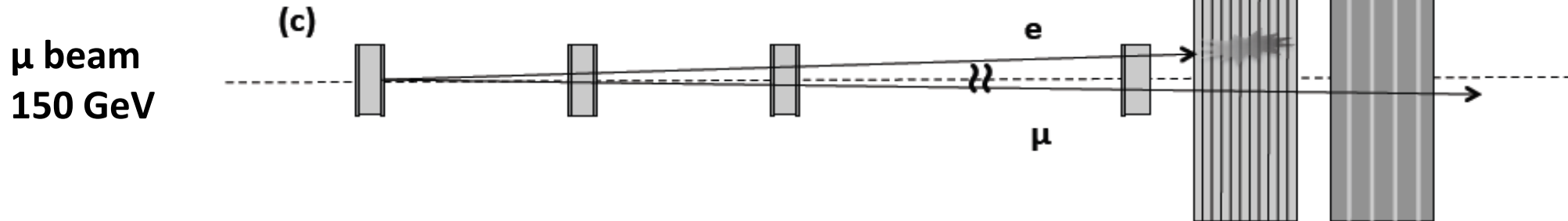
**→ Shorter term LS2 ↔ LS3 program under definition**

# MUonE

Direct measurement of the dominant contribution to the theoretical error on  $(g-2)_\mu$  from  $\mu$ -e elastic scattering



*High statistics space-like measurement could reduce by factor 2 the current error derived from time-like processes*



Full  $t$  range accessible thanks to high energy  $\mu$  beam boost, self normalized measurement  
Might be feasible with reasonable resources within the (modified) COMPASS setup

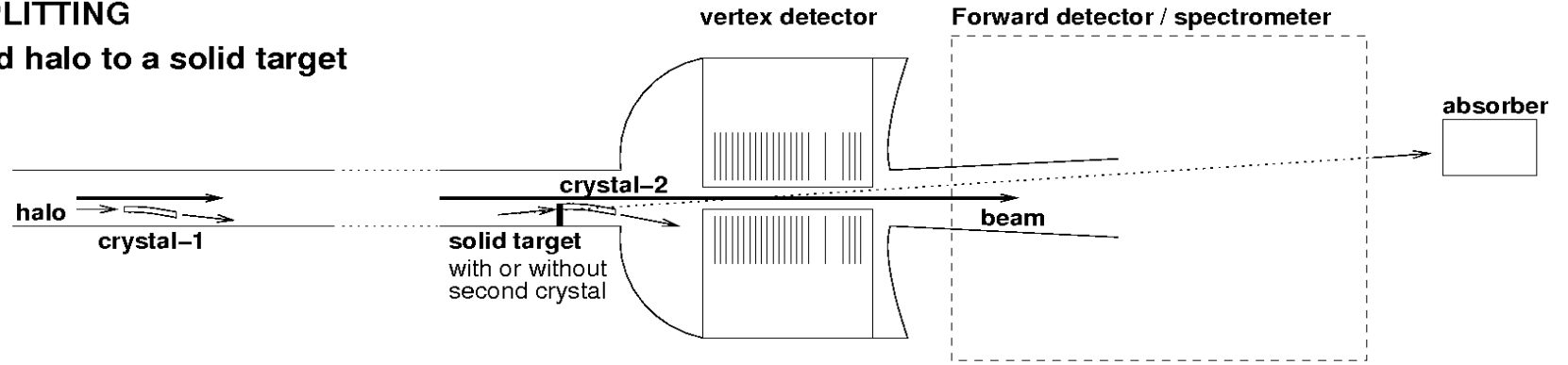
**Main issue: systematic effects (control needed at  $10^{-5}$  level)**

# Fixed Target physics with LHC beams

3 options under study

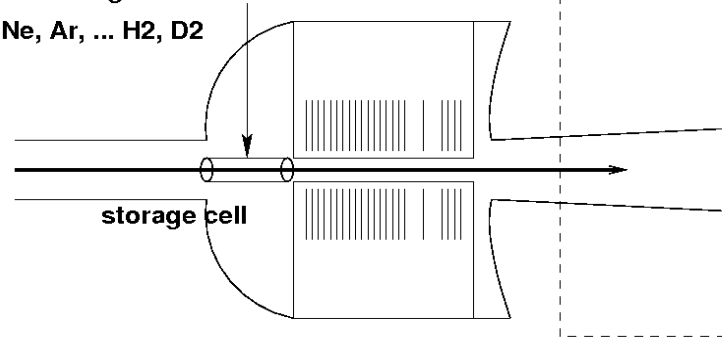
## BEAM SPLITTING

channeled halo to a solid target



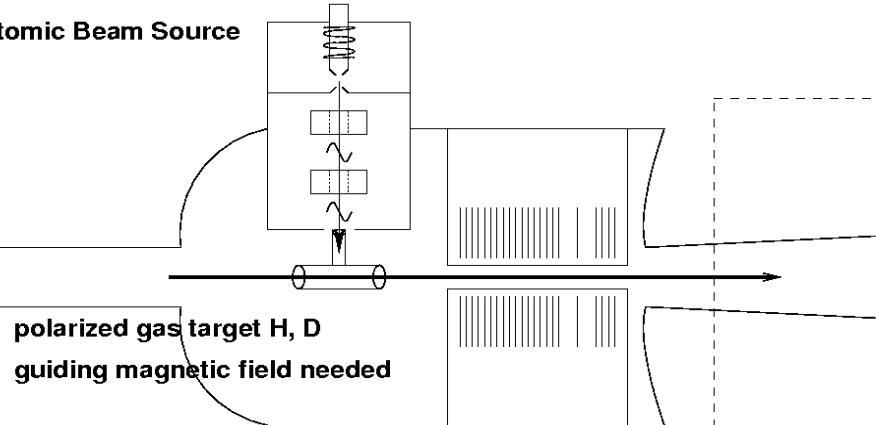
## STORAGE CELL

unpolarized gas  
He, Ne, Ar, ... H<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>

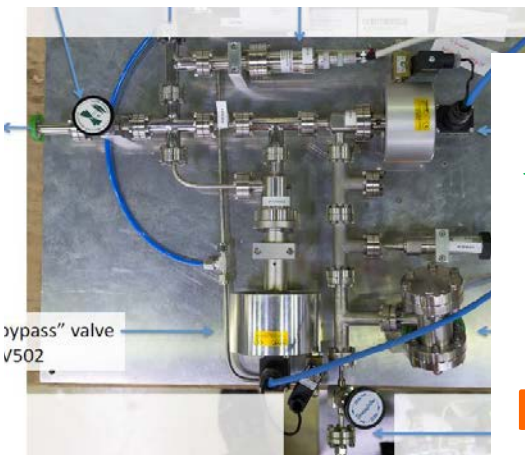


## POLARIZED TARGETS

Atomic Beam Source

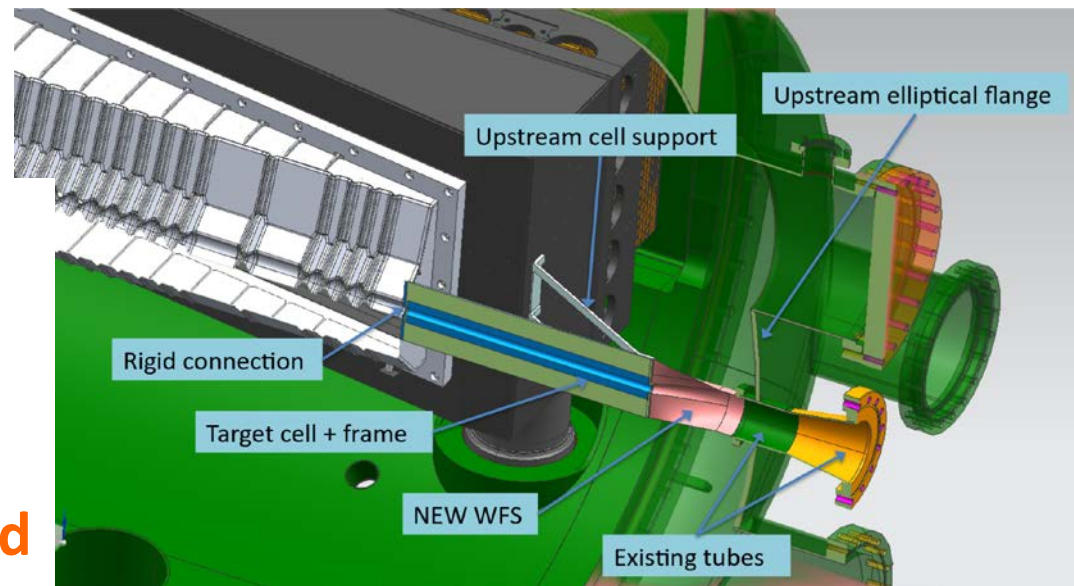


# LHC Fixed Target: ongoing studies

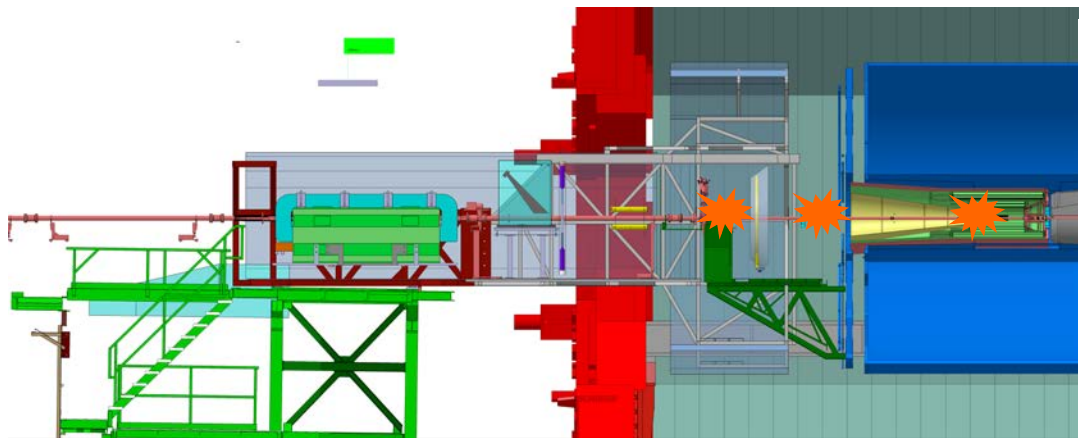


**LHCb:**

← SMOG jet target operated.  
SMOG2 storage cell →  
under design (lumi x ~100).  
Polarized target also considered

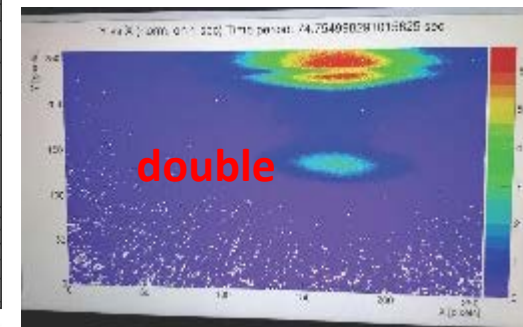
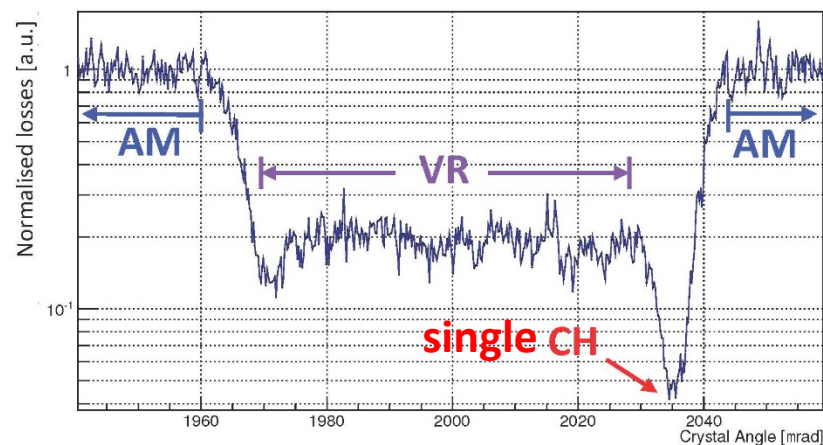


**ALICE:** several options under consideration



**CRYSTAL:**

single and double channeling observed (UA9)

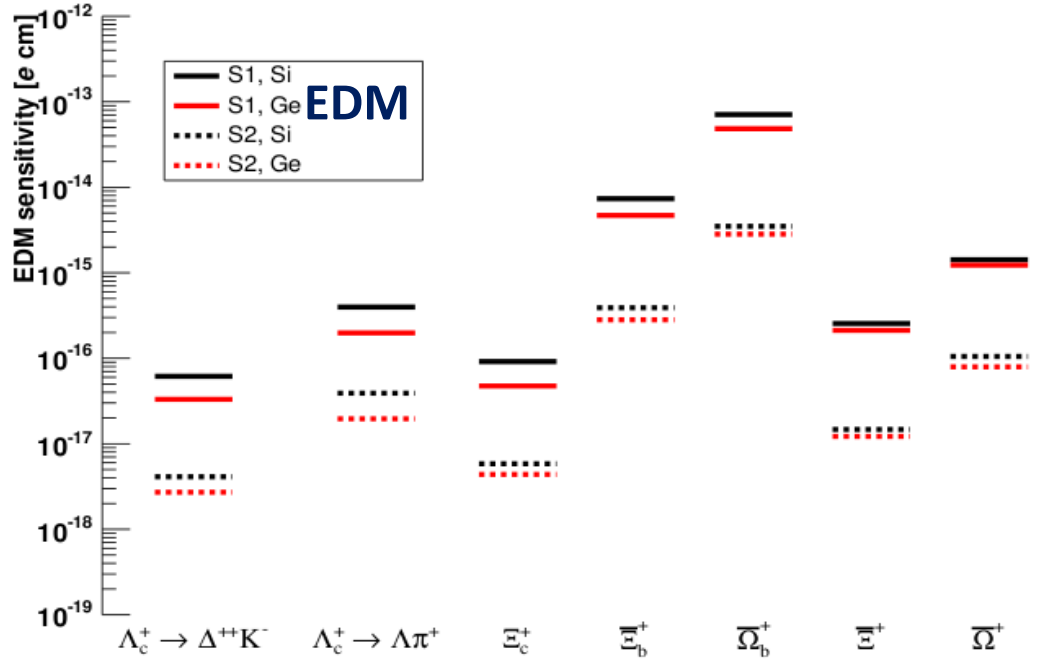
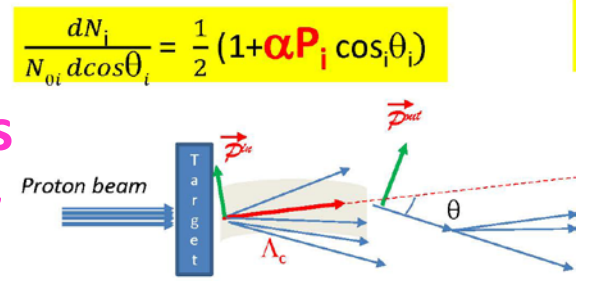


Main issue of LHC internal fixed targets: compatibility with other LHC programs/goals

# LHC Fixed Target: physics reach

## Crystal extraction:

Magnetic and electric moments of short lived baryons  
 Could test anomalous moments of heavy quarks



## Gas target:

p-p: High precision TMD measurements

and charm at high x.

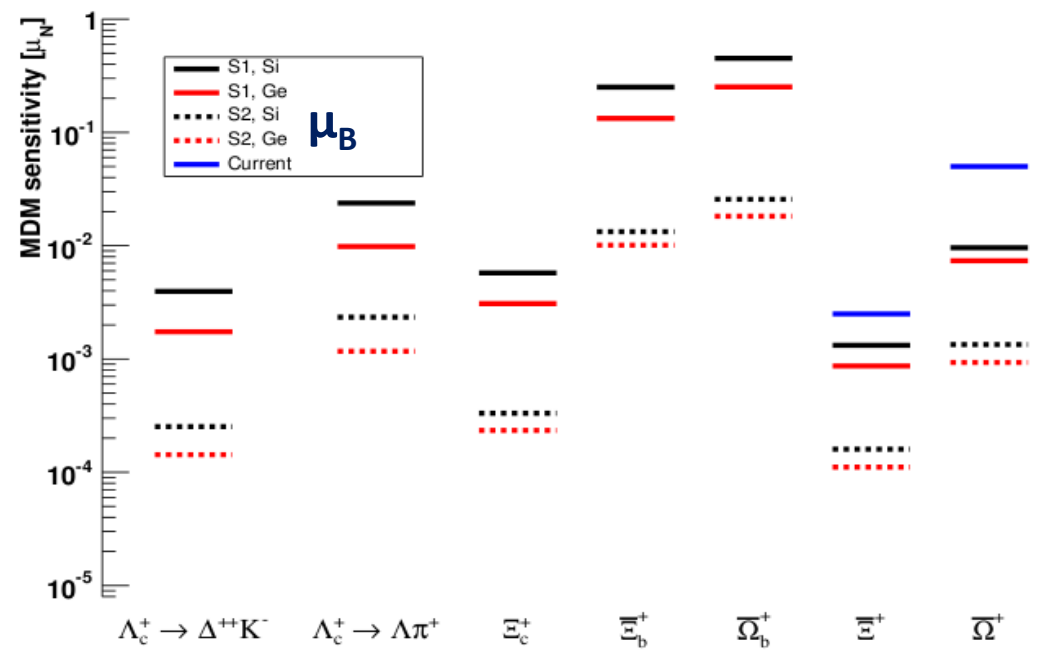
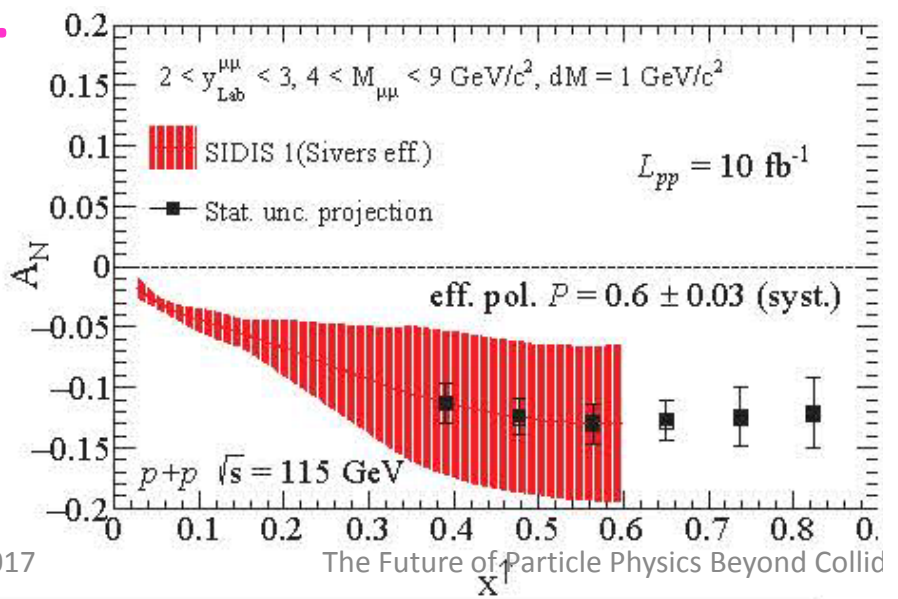
p-A: Nuclear PDFs

A-A: HI physics

in intermediate

range between

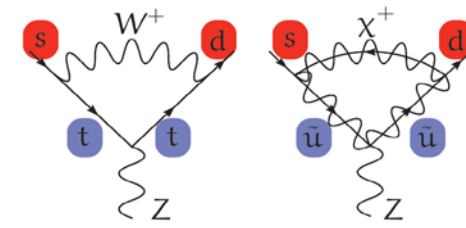
SPS and RHIC



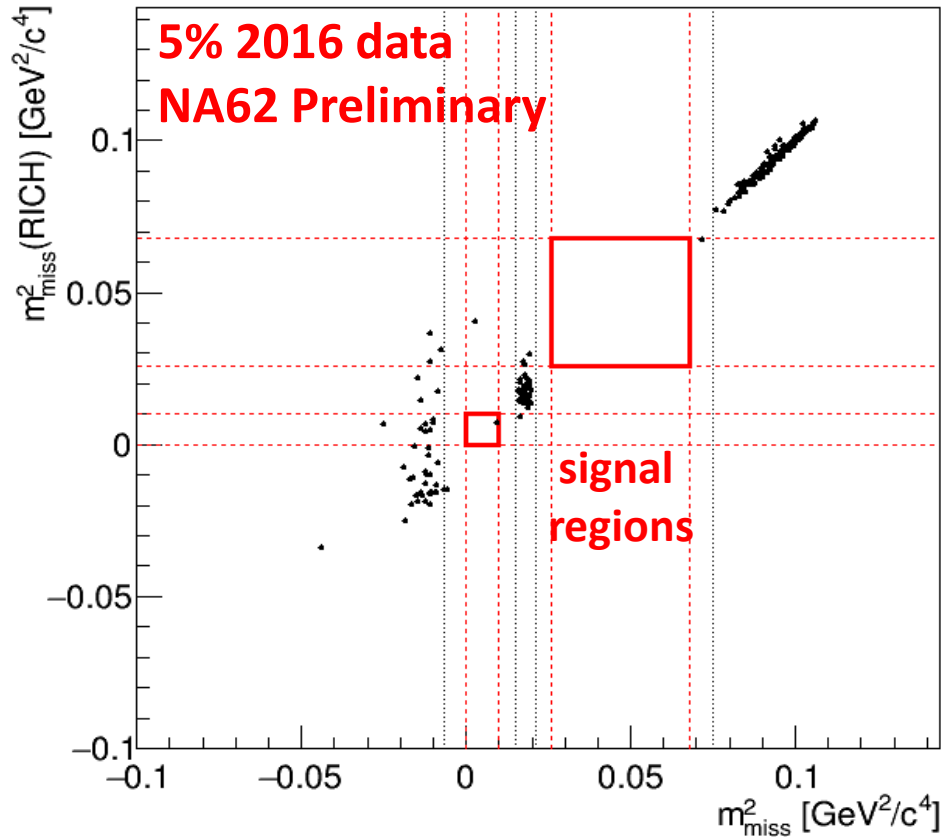
$$K \rightarrow \pi V \bar{V} \quad (BR \sim 10^{-10})$$

NA62

Rare K decays



Regular data taking starting after many years of intensive construction and commissioning



Detector fully operational in 2016,  
first year of quasi-nominal operation

Signal regions: ~100 evts expected until LS2



## Extension to other rare decays: KLEVER ( $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ )

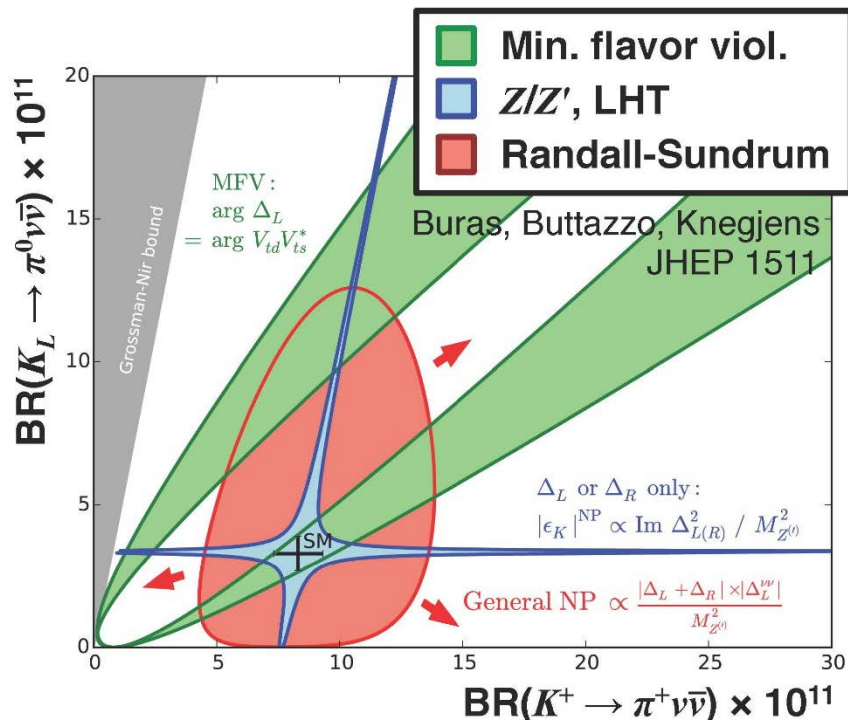
$K^0$  decays complementary to  $K^+$  decays for the CKM matrix and BSM searches.

*Would require a new high intensity  $K^0$  beam.*

~50 events could be collected with a similar but basically new detector.

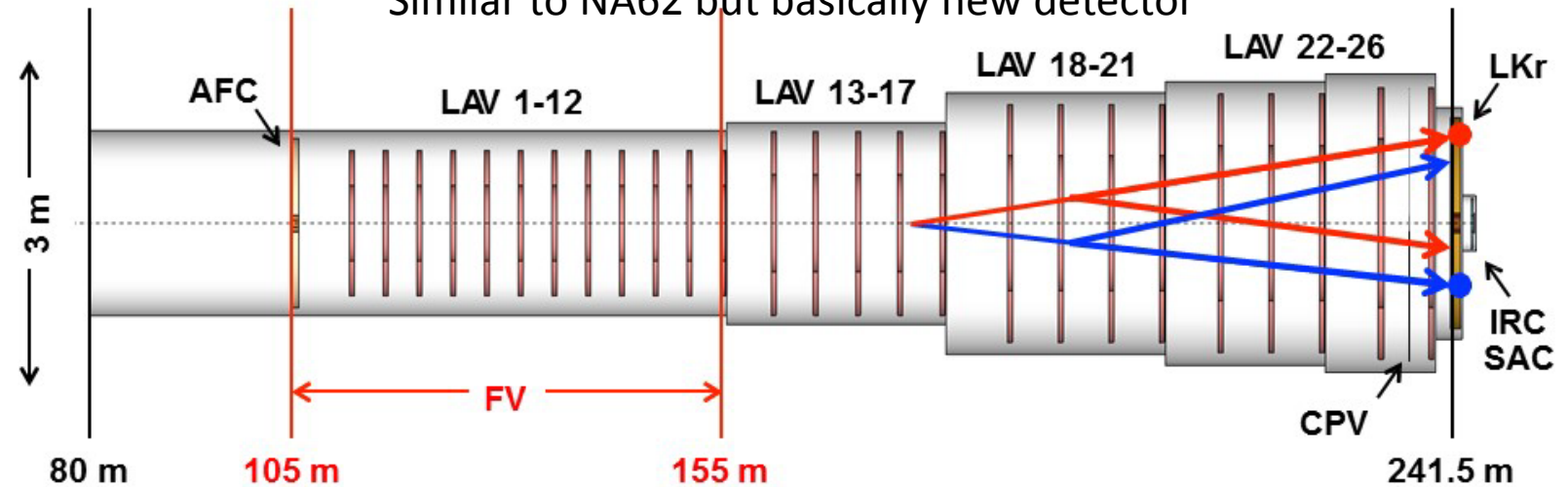
**Competition from starting KOTO at JPARC:**

**few events expected in coming years, upgrade by factor ~10 foreseen > 2025**



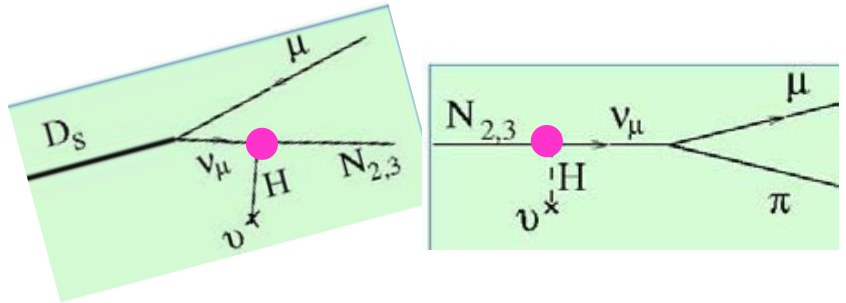
### Detector layout for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$

Similar to NA62 but basically new detector

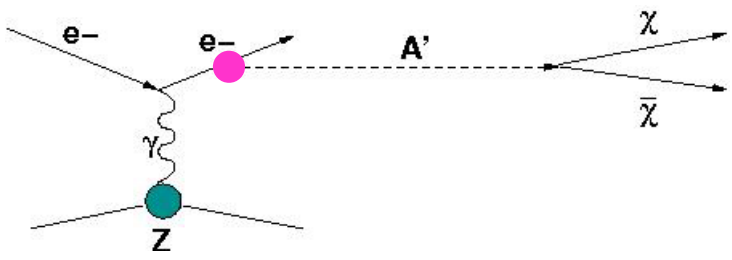


**Main issues: actual sensitivity vs competition, cost of new beam and upgraded detector**

# Exploration of the Hidden Sector



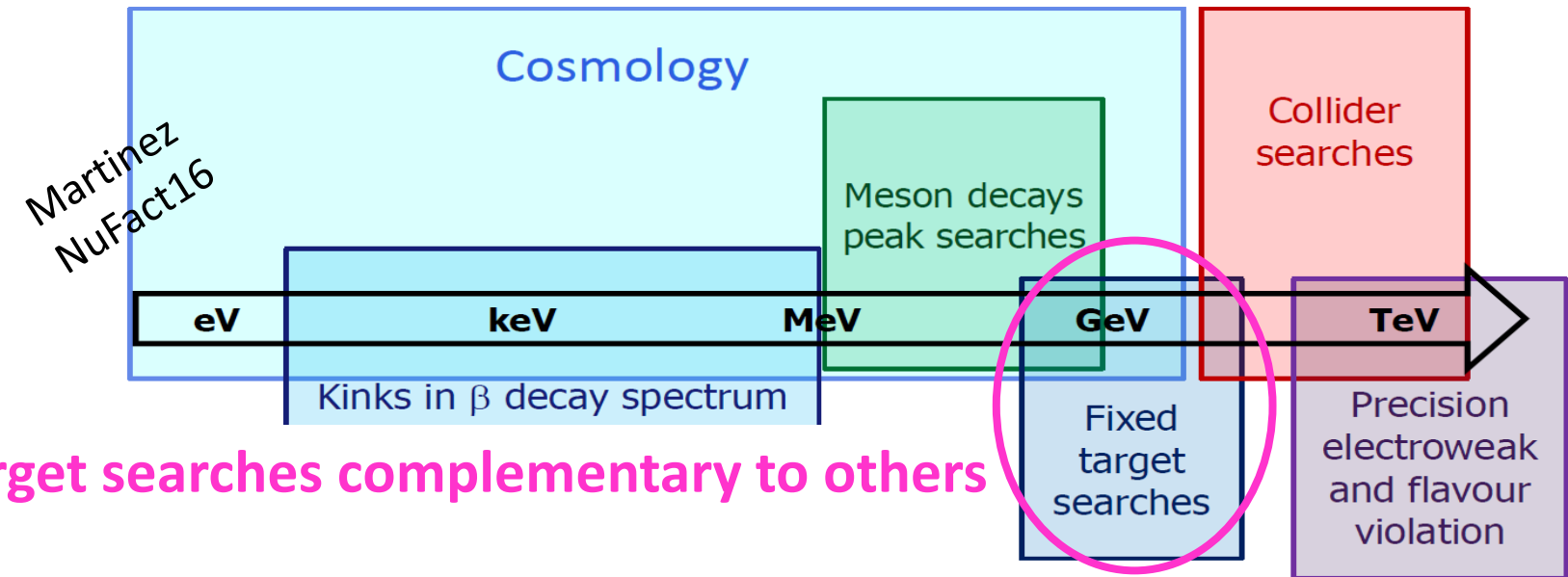
2 methods  
 $\longleftrightarrow$



**Production + decay of new particle:**  
 2 couplings  $\rightarrow$  needs high intensity

**Invisible decay of new particle:**  
 accommodates lower intensity

*A similar situation as the search for neutrino oscillations in the 70 – 80's:  
 do not know if they exist and where they stand !*

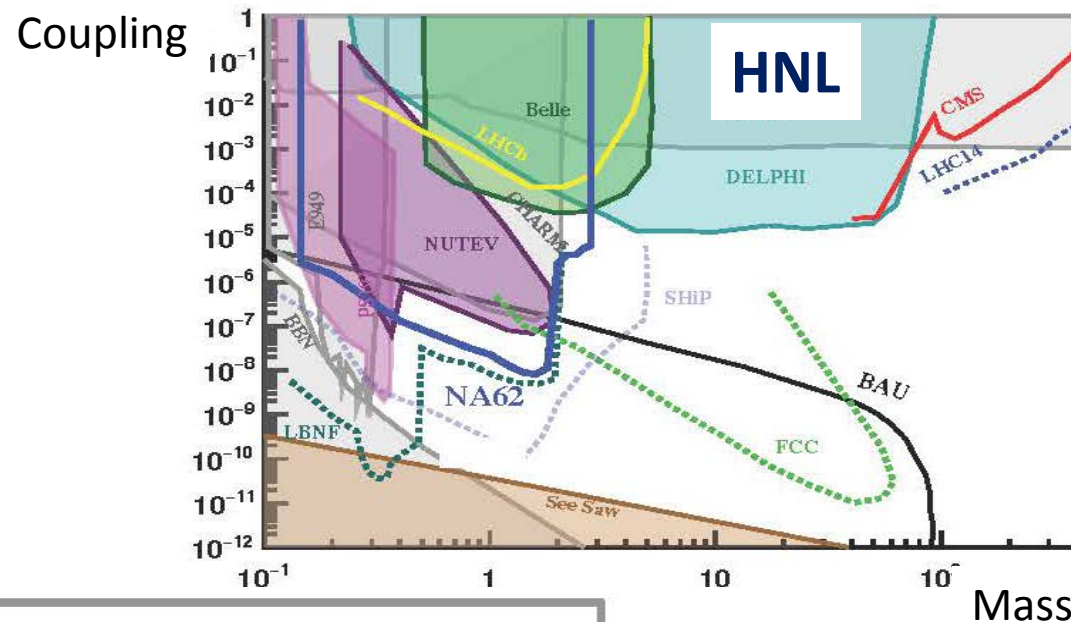


**Fixed Target searches complementary to others**

# AFTER LS2 : NA62++

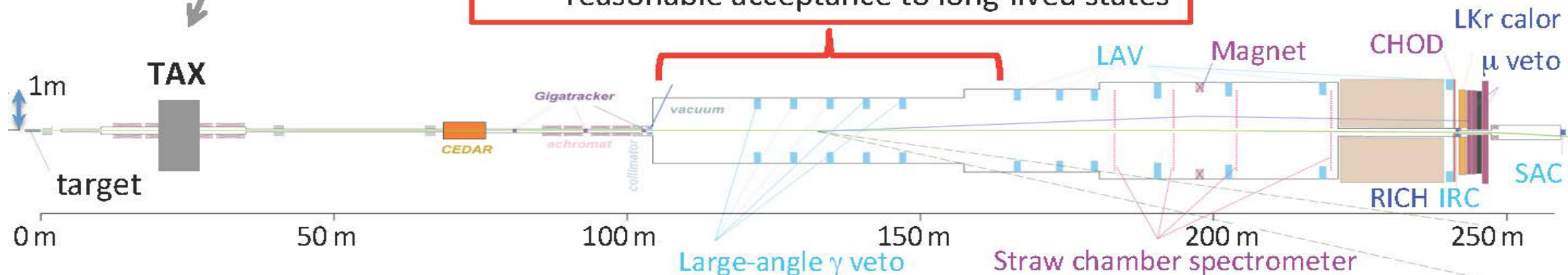
Wish to run ~1 year in beam dump mode to look for Heavy Neutral Leptons

→ possible intermediate step towards a more ambitious beam dump facility



Compact beam dump:  $\sim 11 \lambda_1$  Cu-based beam-defining collimator (TAX) radioprotection-compliant even if target removed

Decay volume  $\sim 60$  m long (in vacuum): reasonable acceptance to long-lived states



# Flagship program for a comprehensive investigation of the Hidden Sector in the few GeV domain

Similar layout as NA62,  
with larger acceptance to  
reach the  $c / b$  mass range

### Upstream MuonID

- RPC
- Optimized for avalanche mode

### Spectrometer tracker

- SciFi
- Synergy with LHCb

### Target tracker

1. SciFi
  2. GEM,  $\mu$ RWELL, MicroMega
- $\mu$ RWELL w.  $\mu$ TPC mode in test beam 2017
  - GEM and MicroMega in earlier test beams

### Timing Detector

1. Plastic scintillator +SiPM
  2. MRPC
- Test beam 2017 w. electronics
  - Demonstrated  $\sigma_t < 100$ ps

### Spectrometer Straw tracker

- 20mm straw diameter in test beam 2017
- Studies of mechanics

### ECAL/HCAL

- Sandwich calorimeter w. scintillating bars+SiPM
- High-precision layers for directionality for  $ALP \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Test beam 2018

### MUON

1. Scintillating bars+SiPM
  2. Scintillating tiles+SiPM
- Option 1 validated in test beam
  - Option 2 in 2018

Spectrometer Particle ID

50m  
Hidden Sector  
decay volume

### Surrounding Background Tagger

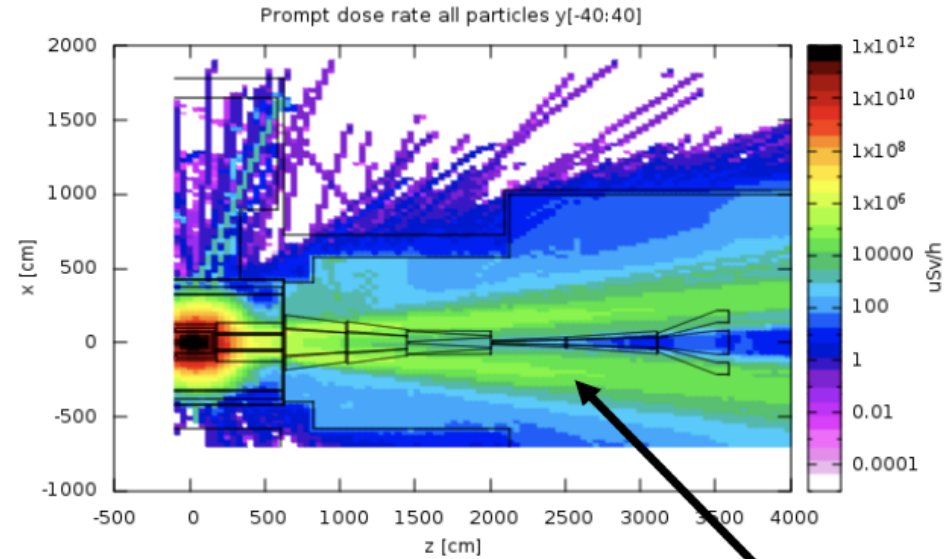
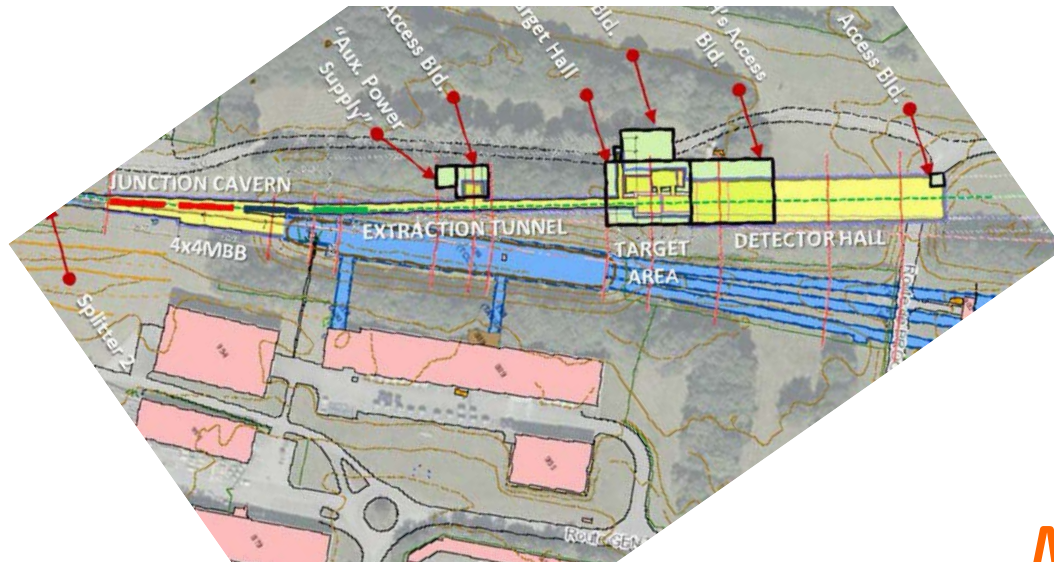
1. Liquid scintillator + SiPM
  2. Plastic scintillator + SiPM
- Test beam w. LiqSci in 2017

Significant progress  
in detector design  
and optimisation

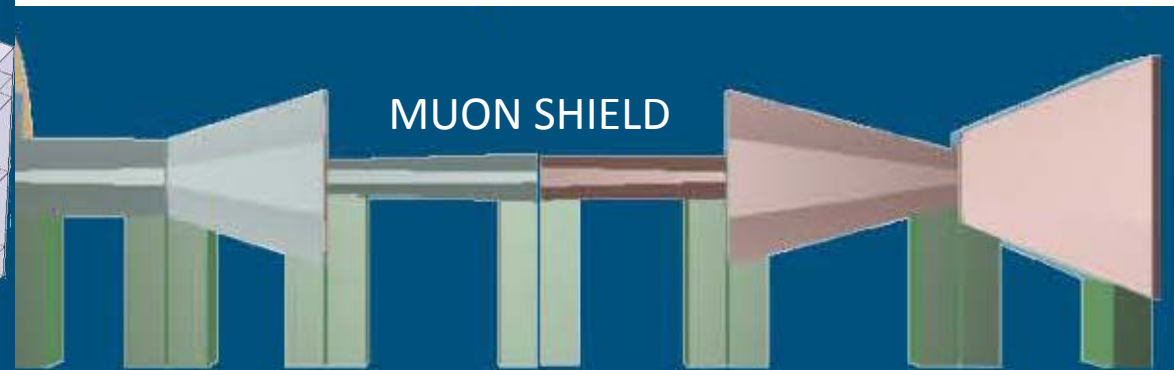
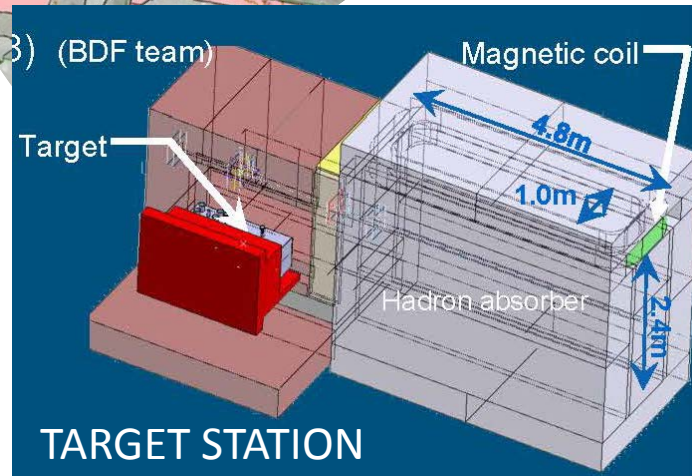
# BEAM DUMP FACILITY

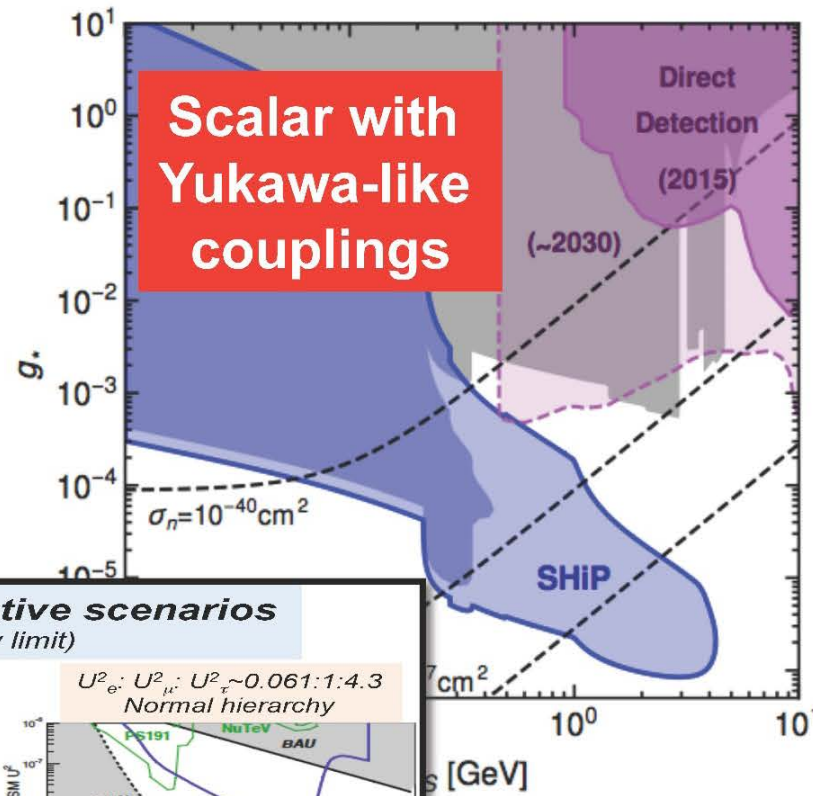
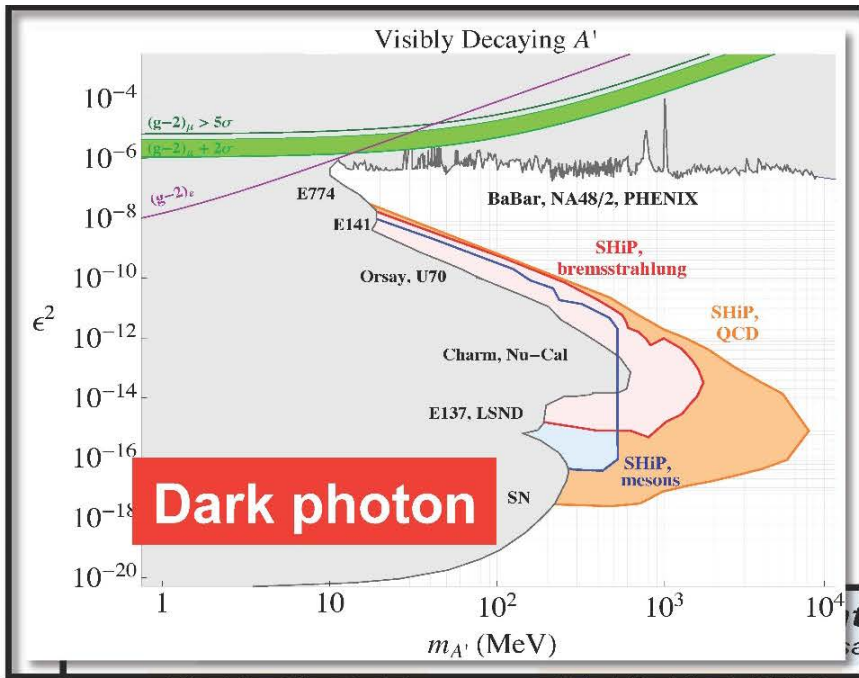
An opportunity for a new post-CNGS high intensity general facility at CERN

Foreseen to be sited close to the North Area  
Conceptual design ongoing at CERN.



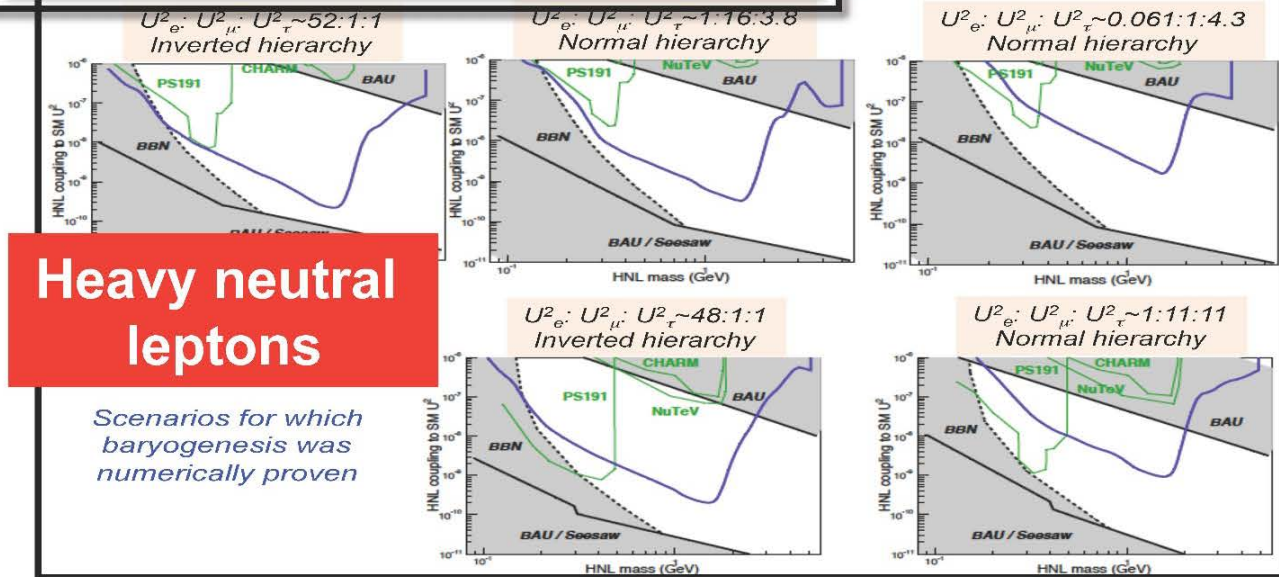
Magnetized hadron absorber and light weight active muon shield to minimize punch through in decay volume





SHiP physics reach

Alternative scenarios (saw limit)



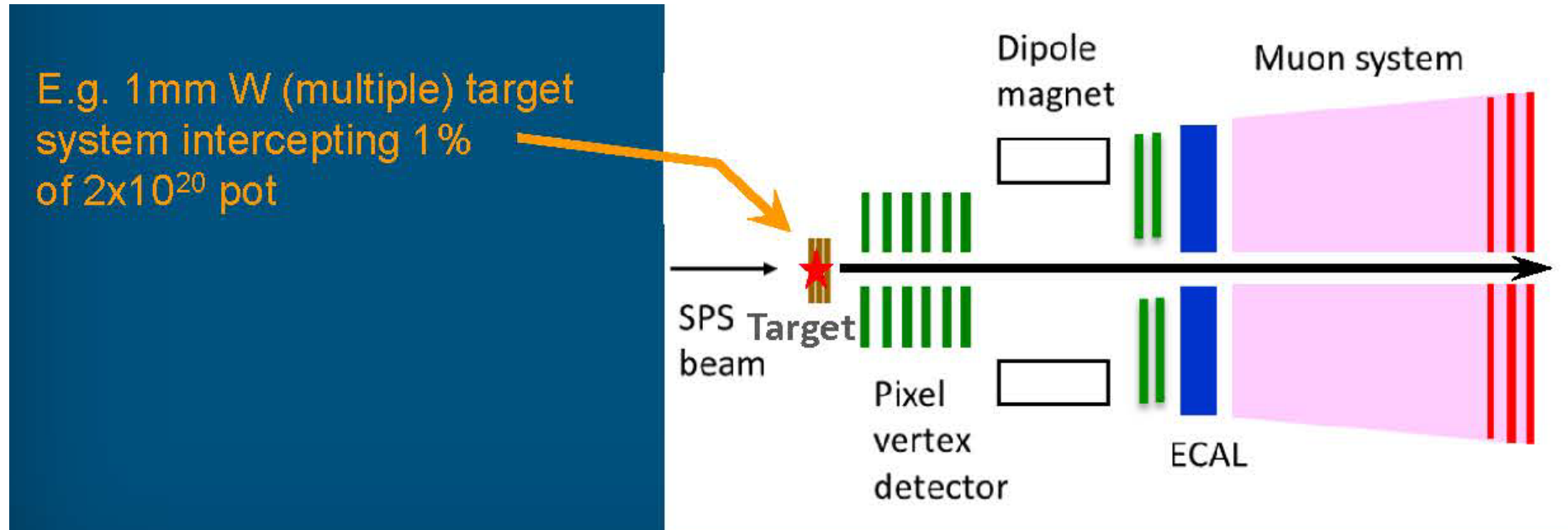
Significant & mostly unique extension of reach for many channels

**Main issue: maximize physics reach to justify high investment of a new beamdump facility**

# " $\tau$ -SHiP"

Recently revived idea to intercept small beam fraction to look for  $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$  decays

*Could set limits on branching ratio at  $10^{-10}$  level*

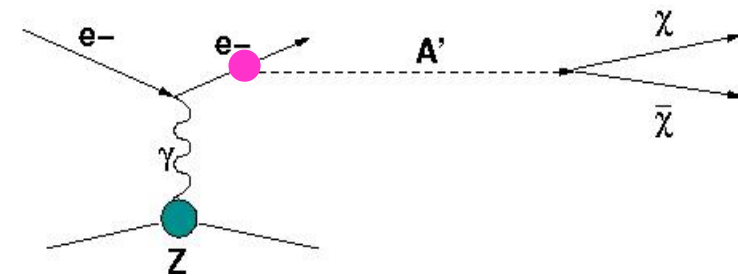


**Possibility of implementation upstream of BDF target to be studied**

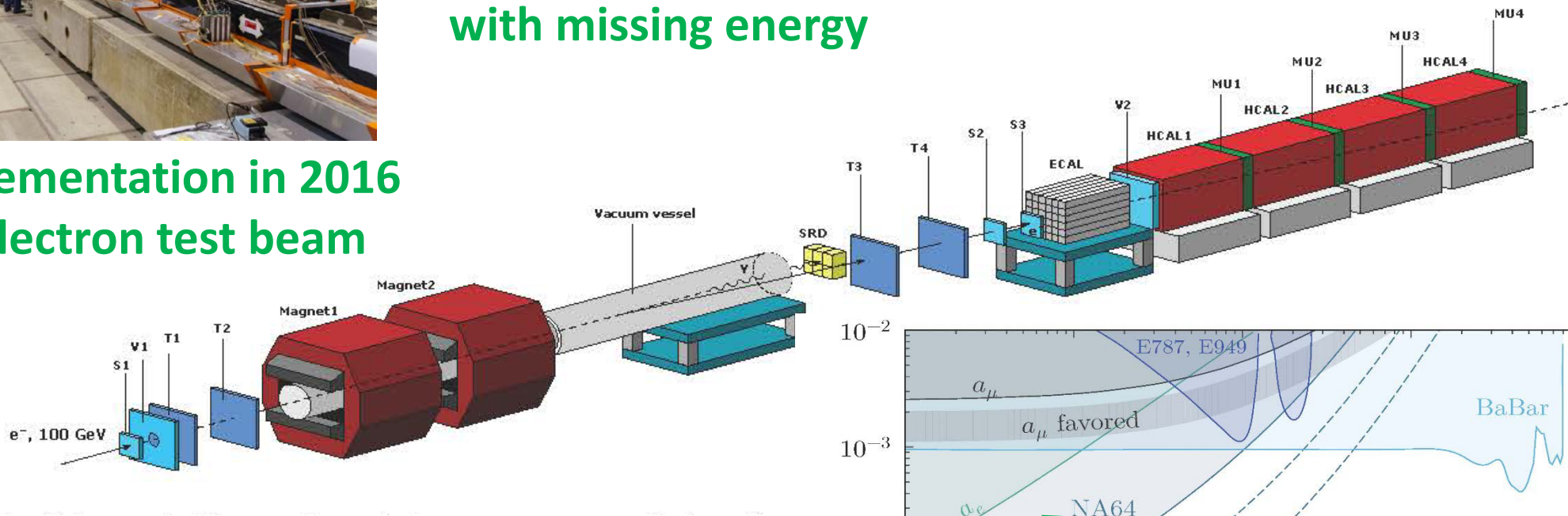


# NA64

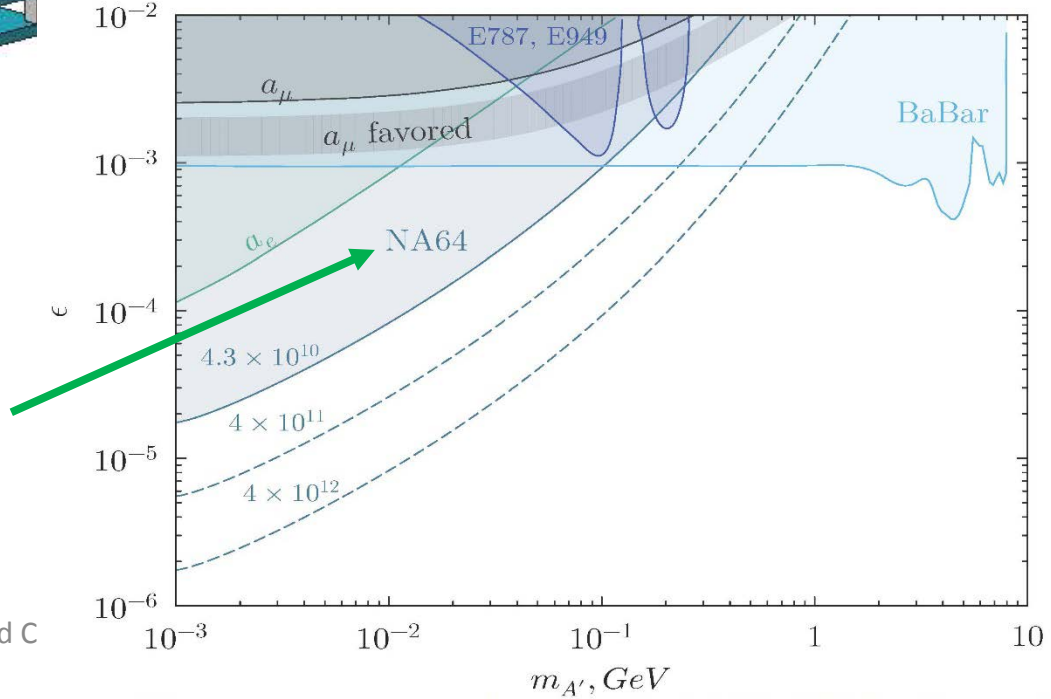
Hidden sector search from invisible decays with missing energy



First implementation in 2016 on an electron test beam



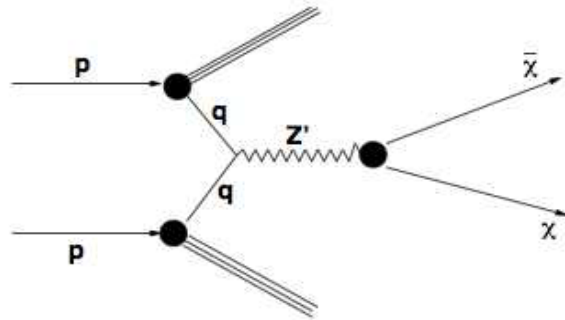
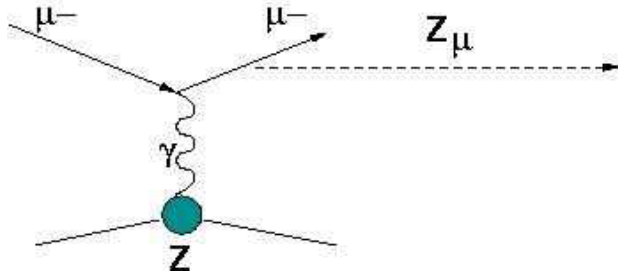
Fast analysis excluding  $(g-2)_\mu$  interpretation confirms the potential of the method





# AFTER LS2: NA64++

Wish to extend the method to  $\mu / \pi / K / p$  beams



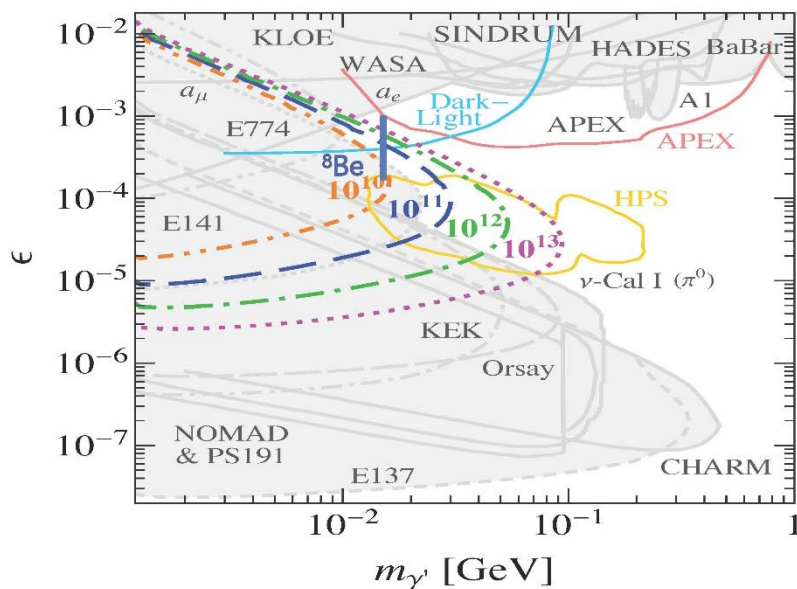
Beam and process	Motivation	Required number of POT
1. $e^- Z$		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ <math>A' \rightarrow</math> invisible</li> <li>◇ <math>X(16.7), A' \rightarrow e^+e^-</math></li> <li>◇ pseudoscalar <math>\rightarrow</math> invisible</li> <li>◇ <math>a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma</math></li> <li>◇ milli-Q</li> </ul>	S,V mediator of light DM production ${}^8\text{Be}$ anomaly, Leptonic pseudogoldstone, ALP decays, miii-Q	$\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$ EOT $\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$ EOT
2. $\mu^- Z$		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ <math>Z_{\mu\tau} \rightarrow \nu\nu, \mu^+\mu^-</math></li> <li>◇ pseudoscalar <math>\rightarrow</math> invisible</li> <li>◇ <math>\mu \rightarrow \tau</math> conversion</li> </ul>	$(g-2)_\mu$ , New gauged symmetry $L_\mu - L_\tau$ . Leptonic pseudo-goldstone, LFV	$10^{12} - 10^{13}$ MOT
3. $\pi (K) p \rightarrow M^0 n + E_{\text{miss}}$		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ <math>K_L \rightarrow</math> invisible</li> <li>◇ <math>K_S \rightarrow</math> invisible</li> <li>◇ <math>\pi^0, \eta, \eta \rightarrow</math> invisible</li> </ul>	NHL, $\phi\phi$ , Bell-Steinberger Unitarity, CP, CPT symmetry	$\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$ P(K)OT
4. $p A \rightarrow X + E_{\text{miss}}$		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ leptophobic X</li> </ul>	$\sim \text{GeV DM}$	$\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$ POT

**Main issues: e beam intensity and CERN siting for other beams**

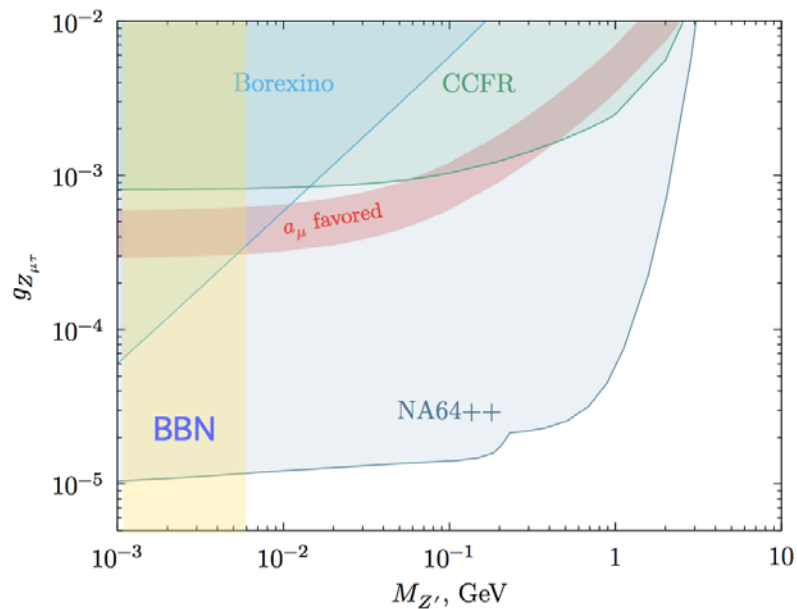
# NA64++ expected sensitivities

## Electron beam appearance mode

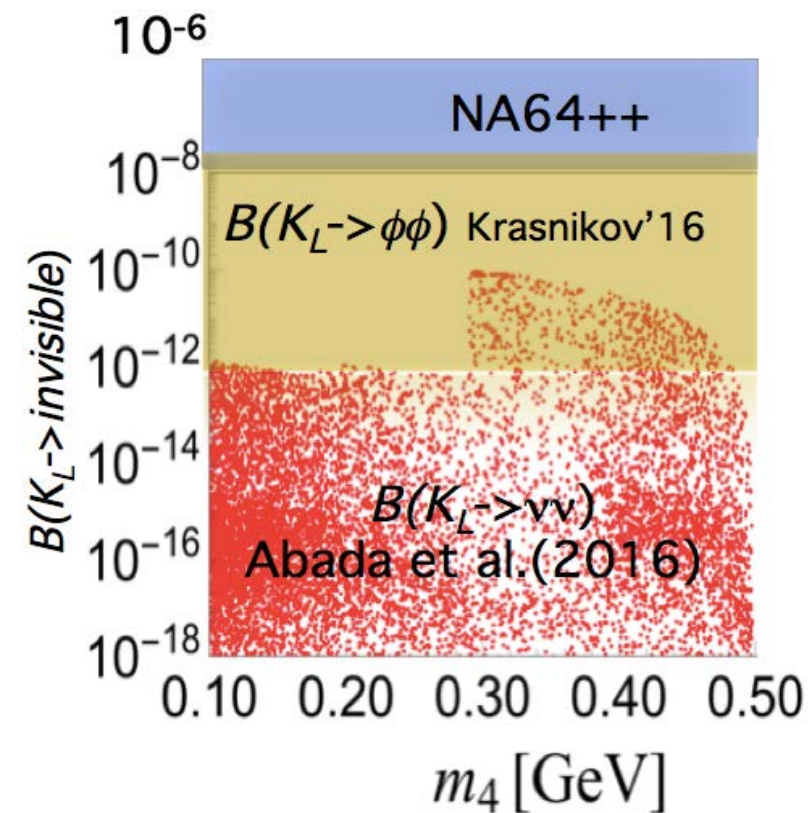
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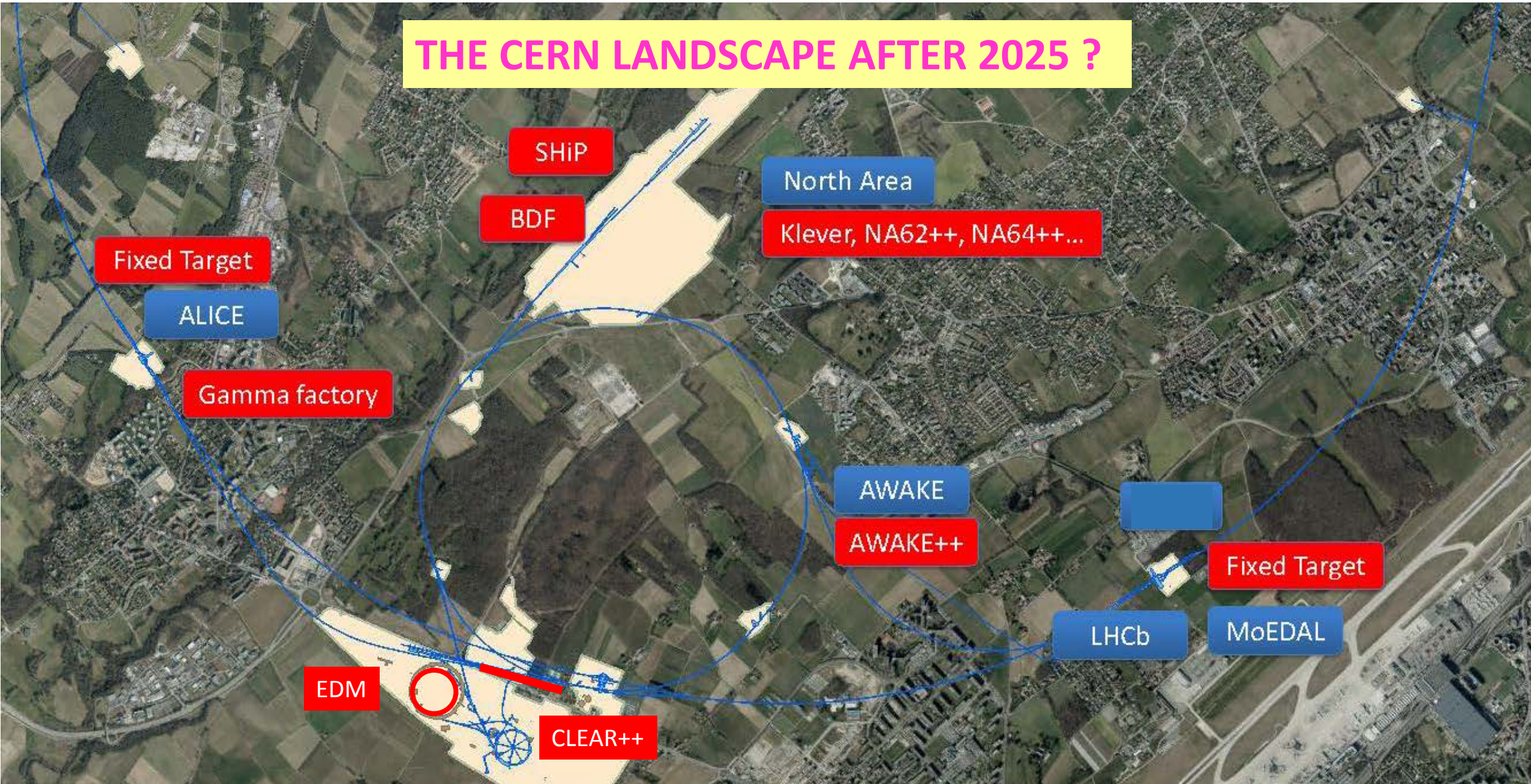
## Muon beam invisible mode



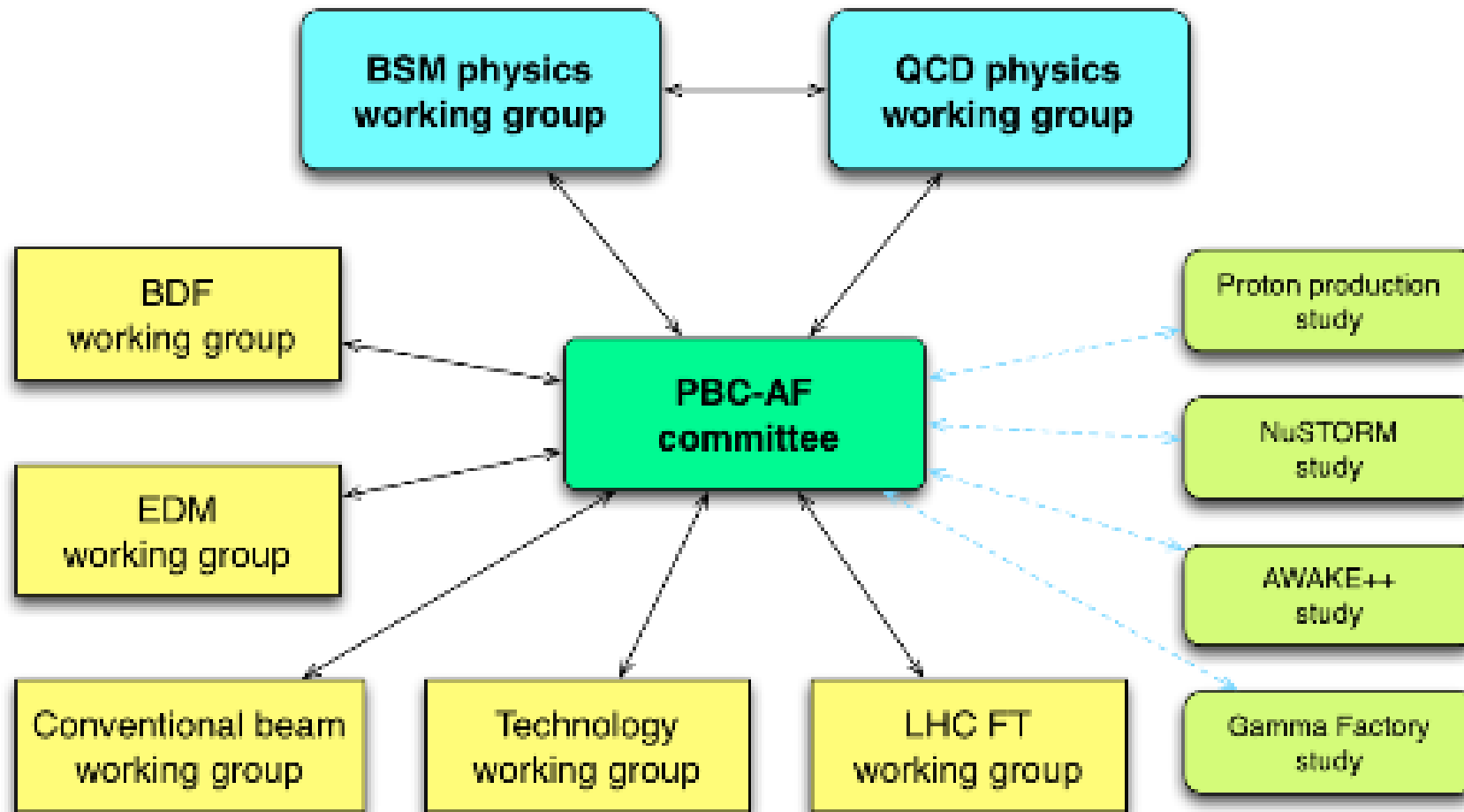
## Hadron beams invisible mode



# THE CERN LANDSCAPE AFTER 2025 ?



# PBC WORKING GROUP STRUCTURE



Organisation and follow-up of activities documented on <http://pbc.web.cern.ch/>

## PBC DELIVERABLES

**One main overview document supplemented by CDR/CDS  
at a level of details matched to the maturity of the projects**

*To be submitted end 2018 as input to the next European Particle Physics strategy update*

**NB: no arbitration between projects to be done by PBC**  
*Guidelines will come later from the Strategy update*

**One of the main added values of PBC: a forum for exchanges  
between communities with similar motivations, under CERN “umbrella”:**  
**SHiP/NA62, COMPASS/LHC-FT, COMPASS/MUonE,  
NA60/NA61/LHC-FT, JEDI/srEDM, OSQAR/ALPS, etc...**

# SOME STRATEGIC ISSUES

## (personal view)

### QCD

CERN future competitiveness vs dedicated “QCD facilities” worldwide (FAIR, JLAB, JPARC...)

& complementarity between COMPASS++/NA60++/NA61++/LHC-FT projects at CERN for p/ions measurements  
→ Should CERN focus on LHC-FT as a worldwide-unique QCD program maximizing long term LHC physics yield?

### BSM

Motivation for K rare decays and precision studies as function of evolution of current B anomalies

Specificity of the CERN SPS-FT hidden sector mass window in the overall landscape

Added value of a p/d EDM ring versus lower cost n EDM projects worldwide

### CERN specific

Optimization of use of existing experimental halls for new projects (e.g. COMPASS hall for MUonE/NA64++ ?)

Flexibility of the Antimatter Factory availability for future (short term) new ideas

Possible recycling of neutrino LAr-TPC prototypes for physics projects

Level of CERN support to & involvement in outside (non-accelerator) projects

## **ADDITIONAL SLIDES**

# PBC DELIVERABLES

To be submitted end 2018 as input to the next European Particle Physics strategy update

## Guidelines for structure and content distributed to all participants

### STRUCTURE OF PBC DELIVERABLES

The following table describes the overall spirit, content and relationship of the documents expected at the term of the PBC study. The PBC working groups are in charge of defining the detailed structure and content of their own deliverables along these lines.

DOCUMENT	EDITORS	AUTHORS	CONTENT
<b>Main</b> (30-50 pages)	PBC coordinators	PBC WGs	Highlights of the physics case of the proposed PBC experiments at CERN, and how they can address it: <i>physics orientations in the worldwide landscape, uniqueness of CERN context, compatibility of projects, technical feasibility, timelines and financial implications.</i> The content of this document will be supported by the detailed information provided in the ancillary documents listed hereafter.
<b>BSM context</b>	BSM WG conveners	BSM WG + possible externals as appropriate	Worldwide BSM physics landscape with a focus on how the proposed PBC projects fit in term of theoretical motivation and experimental sensitivity: <i>overview of experimental physics processes (direct production modes, decay signatures, indirect searches...) reach in term of new particle types, masses and couplings; comparison and complementarity of their sensitivities via common simplified BSM models (e.g. accelerator WIMP searches vs recoil experiments via effective operator and simple mediator test models, helioscope and LSW searches vs EDM limits via axion-like particle models, p/d vs n EDM,...); indication of mass and coupling ranges favored by current observations (DM amount, experimental&amp;astrophysical hints, ...); general suggestions for possible extension of the PBC projects discovery reach.</i>
<b>QCD context</b>	QCD WG conveners	QCD WG + possible externals as appropriate	Worldwide QCD physics landscape with a focus on how the proposed PBC projects fit in term of theoretical motivation and experimental sensitivity: <i>QCD fundamental open questions and measurements of interest for other domains.</i>
<b>Experiments contributions</b>	Proponents	Proponents	Experiments contribute to the BSM and QCD context documents by providing their sensitivity curves within the commonly agreed models and assumptions for comparison with past, present and future experiments. ----- Documents are also expected from the Collaborations with a level of details matched to the maturity of their project: <i>physics motivation; expected sensitivity; detector layout; estimated timeline and cost; Collaboration structure.</i> NB: these documents stay under responsibility of the Collaborations and can be the basis for possible future consideration of the projects by the SPSC and LHCC.

<b>Complex Performance</b>	Complex study group	Complex study group	Injector complex performance after LIU: <i>proton delivery through the CERN accelerator complex in view of the potential provided by LIU; intensity limitations and possible mitigation; considerations on the optimization of the delivery rates.</i>
<b>BDF Comprehensive Design Study</b>	BDF WG	BDF WG	<b>Conceptual design of the Beam Dump Facility:</b> <i>complete technical feasibility studies, layout and performance from SPS extraction to experimental hall; siting and civil engineering; interconnection to the SHiP detector and to possible additional detectors; possible longer term use as a general high-intensity facility; construction schedule and costing.</i>
<b>EDM</b>	EDM WG	EDM Collab.	Fully developed feasibility study of the proton/deuteron EDM storage ring: <i>ring layout options; experimental aspects of the EDM measurement (e.g. systematics); initial civil engineering studies for a possible siting at CERN; timeline and cost estimate; collaboration structure.</i>
<b>Conventional Beams upgrades</b>	CB WG	CB WG	Description of the conventional beam upgrades associated to the proposed projects: <i>technical feasibility; schedule and cost; identification of potential areas of conflict between projects siting in available experimental halls.</i> Level of details to be matched to the available manpower for the studies, with a priority to implementations possible after LS2: <i>NA62++ beam dump, NA64++ and MUE muon beams, NA61++ higher intensity ion beam. Reliable estimates of the orders of magnitude of the costs of the COMPASS RF-separated beam and of the KLEVER K<sup>0</sup> beam are also needed.</i>
<b>LHC Fixed Target</b>	LHC-FT WG	LHC-FT WG	Study of the implementation of LHC internal fixed targets in the LHCb and ALICE areas: <i>technical description of the discussed options (gas targets with and without polarisation, crystals, etc...); estimation of the maximal luminosities achievable for each option, compatible with the experiments and LHC constraints.</i>
<b>Technology support</b>	Technology WG	Technology WG	Exploration and evaluation of possible technological contributions of CERN to non-accelerator projects possibly hosted elsewhere: <i>survey of suitable experimental initiatives and their connection to and potential benefit to and from CERN; description of identified initiatives and how their relation to the unique CERN expertise is facilitated.</i>
<b>AWAKE</b>	AWAKE study group	AWAKE study group	Exploratory study of possible applications of the AWAKE concept: <i>development of physics cases and experimental design; accelerator systems and realistic range of parameters; possible infrastructure and siting.</i>
<b>nuSTORM</b>	nuSTORM study group	nuSTORM study group	Updated broad outline of a possible nuSTORM implementation at CERN.
<b><math>\gamma</math> Factory</b>	$\gamma$ Factory study group	$\gamma$ Factory study group	Exploratory study of the concept feasibility: <i>results of initial tests and extrapolated performance; elaboration on the corresponding physics reach.</i>



# PBC DELIVERABLES in short

One main overview document supplemented by :

## Accelerator documents:

Beam Dump Facility	:	Conceptual Design of the BDF
EDM ring	:	Fully developed feasibility study including preliminary costing
Conventional beams	:	Study beam upgrades for extended or new fixed target projects
LHC Fixed Target	:	Conceptual design of LHC internal crystal and gaseous targets
Technology	:	Evaluation of possible CERN contributions to non-acc. projects
Complex performance	:	Injector complex performance after LIU
AWAKE++	:	Exploratory study of possible applications of the AWAKE concept
NuSTORM	:	Updated broad outline of a possible implementation at CERN
Gamma Factory	:	Exploratory study of the concept feasibility

## BSM and QCD context documents with for each proposed project:

Evaluation of the physics case in the worldwide context

Possible further optimization of the detector

For new projects: investigation of the uniqueness of CERN siting

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