# High Field Magnet R&D Program A view from CERN

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- The R&D lines responding to the questions
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#### A program responding to demands

- FCC-hh, including the specific demands from HE-LHC, has been the main driver of the development of HFM
- We have shown that <u>a field of 16 T can be generated by Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn (RMC-03, 2015)</u>
- We have produced <u>14.6 T in a 100 mm aperture (FRESCA2, 2018)</u> and 14.1 T in a 60 mm aperture (US-MDP CT1 2019)
- We have <u>demonstrated that the J<sub>C</sub> target of 1500 A/mm<sup>2</sup> at 16 T and 4.2</u> K is within reach (2018, 2019), and we have two additional potential suppliers of HL-LHC class wire (TVEL, JASTEC)
- All of the above in collaboration with the whole-world community
- The HFM development activities have been **instrumental to HL-LHC**, and in particular the success of the 11T MBH long magnet

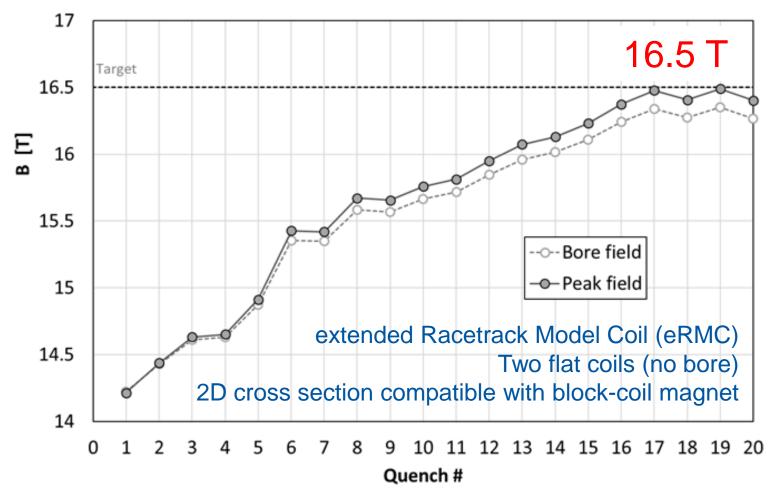
CERN has completed the production of the first accelerator Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipole magnet, an historical milestone for accelerator technology.



#### Latest from HFM R&D



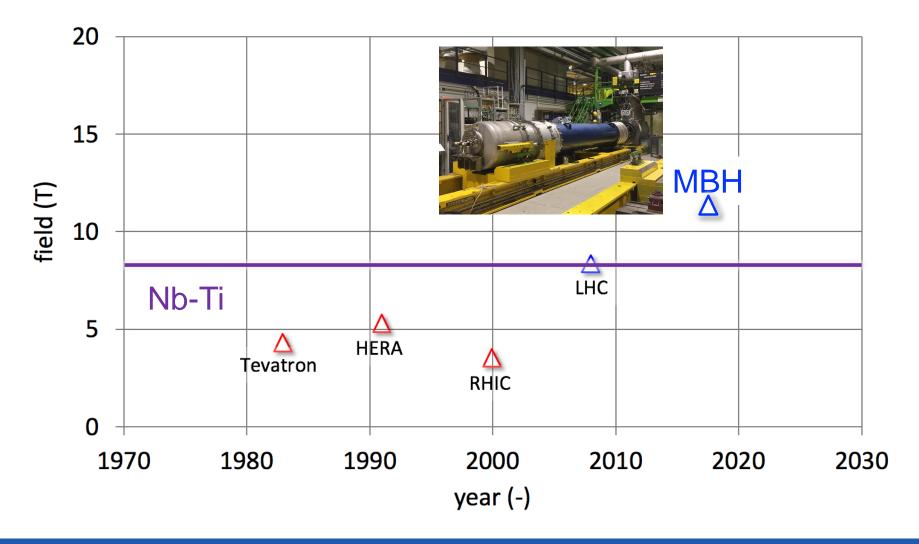
eRMC 1a @ 1.9 K





#### **PRELIMINARY** – Not for distribution

## HL-LHC 11T significance





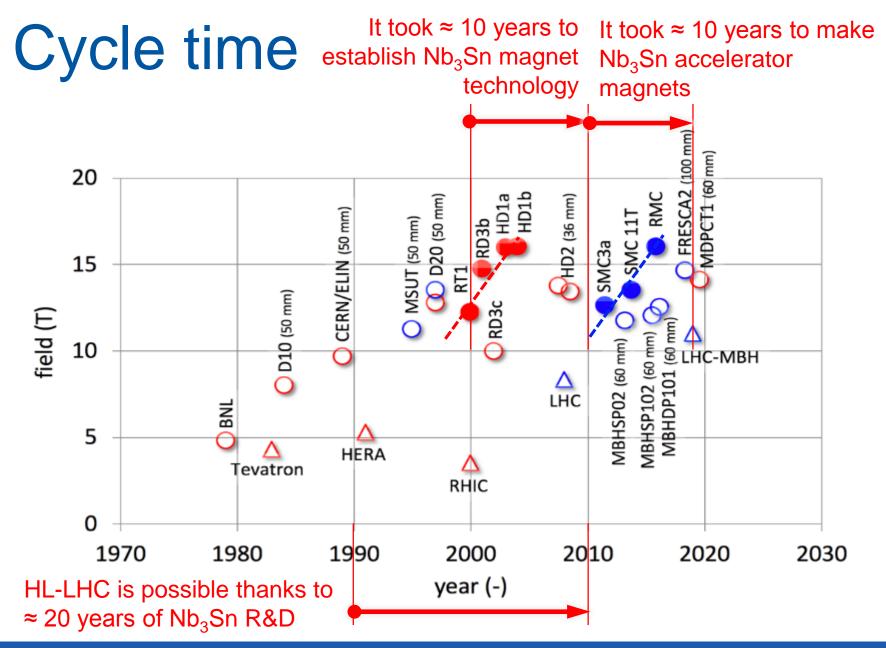
The 11T MBH is a technology breakthrough !



## A program for the long term

- The long and winding road of 11 T has reminded us that there is a long way from demonstrators to model, prototype magnets, pre-series and industrial production. We need continuity, because:
  - Lead times for the development of high-field magnets are long, a typical cycle lasts ten years. Another ten years will be required for industrialization (see later). Not pursuing technology R&D in-synch with HEP scoping studies of new accelerators may result in <u>missed opportunities.</u>
  - Development of high-field superconducting magnet technology requires **infrastructure of large size and cost**. A program that requires such infrastructure is <u>most profitable if pursued with continuity</u>, rather than executed in bursts.
  - High-field superconducting accelerator magnet development relies on many fields of science and engineering, i.e. **a team that is assembled in collaboration with organizations**. Such research team also <u>operates most effectively in a continuous</u> <u>mode</u>







#### A program in collaboration

- This is a proposal for a **collaborative program**. We wish to profit from the competences developed and the team built over the last 15 years (EU-FP6 CARE and NED-JRA, EU-FP7 EuCARD and EuCARD2, EU-H2020 ARIES), and boosted by the FCC activities (EU-H2020 EuroCirCol)
  - Today, collaborators have key roles in:
    - Conductor development and characterization (FCC Conductor Development Program)
    - Develop, demonstrate and decide the technology suitable for future accelerator magnets (model developments at CEA, INFN, CIEMAT, CHART/PSI)
  - CERN is also a collaborator



#### What is next?

- The HL-LHC Nb3Sn program has set a new benchmark: we have completed the initial model and prototype magnet development for operation in the 11-12 T field range and the next step is to capitalize on it, use this benchmark to develop industrial, robust and efficient techniques.
- We have a few demonstrators showing that Nb3Sn has the potential to operate at fields beyond 14 T, the next step is to **confirm this potential with model magnets and prototypes**.
- We have not yet had the opportunity to explore the potentials of HTS, the next step is to **develop demonstrators to assess this technology**.



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## The "leading questions" – 1/3

**On Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet technology:** 



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- Q1: What are the **performance limits**?
  - Is the target of 16T for accelerator magnets realistic ?
- Q2: Can we improve training ?
- Q3: How do we manage the forces and stresses in a high-field accelerator magnet ?
- Q4: How do we protect a high-field accelerator magnet ?
- Q5: Can we improve the design and manufacturing processes to achieve robustness, reduce risk, increase efficiency and decrease cost as required by a large-scale industrial production ?



## The "leading questions" – 2/3

#### On HTS magnet technology:

- Q6: What is the potential of HTS materials to **extend the performance reach** of high-field superconducting accelerator magnets ?
  - Basic material and conductor properties
  - Q7: Are HTS conductors, cables, coils **suitable** for accelerator magnet applications ?
    - Cable concept
    - Field quality
- Q8: What **engineering** solutions are required to build such HTS magnets, including consideration of material and manufacturing **cost** ?
  - Winding and mechanics
  - Quench detection and protection
  - Splice and joint technology
  - Insulation and impregnation



#### The "leading questions" – 3/3

Q9: What is the specific **infrastructure** required for this conductor and magnet R&D, production and test ?



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#### From leading questions to R&D lines

- R&D-1: Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn **conductor** research and development
- R&D-2: Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet technology research and development, exploring performance limits
- R&D-3: Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn **accelerator magnet** development for robust and cost-effective industrial production at large scale
- R&D-4: HTS material, conductor and coil technology and accelerator magnet research and development
  - R&D-4.1: Review engineering specifications for HTS conductor (wires, tapes and cables) and pursue the ensuing development
  - R&D-4.2: Develop HTS coil and magnet technology in the form of small-scale demonstrators
- R&D-5: Insulating materials, polymers and composites.
- R&D-6: Infrastructure for development, manufacture, test and measurement.

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LTS (Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn) development matrix				Q3: Mechanics	Q4: Protection	Q5: Production robustness, risk, cost
R&D-1: Wire and c						
	SMC					
R&D-2: Magnet technology	eRMC/RMM					
	Models					
R&D-3: Accelerator magnet dev	elopment (VE)					



HTS development matrix		Basic conductor properties (Ic(B,T,a,E), RRR, k, M, R,)	Cable concept (stacks, Roebel, transposition, defects, current sharing)	Splice and joint technology	Insulation / impregnation	Quench detection and protection	Winding and mechanics	Field quality	
			Q1	Q2	03 O				Q2
		Tape/Wire							
	R&D-4.1: Conductor R&D	Cables							
		Joints							
	R&D-4.2:	Small coils (I, PI, NI)							
Magnet technology		Demo coils							

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#### R&D Vehicles – overview

- Cables
- Model Coils
  - Short Model Coil (SMC)
  - Racetrack Model Coil (RMC)
  - Racetrack Model Magnet (RMM)
- Ultimate Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Dipole Models
- Value Engineered Dipole Prototype
- HTS Demonstrator Magnets

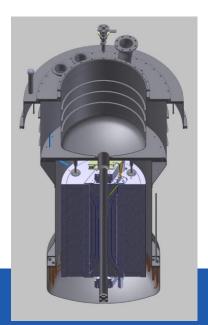
Heritage realizations

- Very High Field Test Station for high field inserts
- HTS wiggler/undulator



#### Cable tests

- Measurement of properties and validation of variants at cable level
  - Critical current and stability in FRESCA (FRESCA2) under relevant operation conditions, including sample preparation (resin), deformation, transverse stress and strain, joints
  - B<sub>peak</sub> = 12 T (16 T)
     L<sub>sample</sub> = 2 m
     W<sub>strand</sub> ≈ 1 kg (2 kCHF)





## SMC technology exploration

- The "Short Model Coil" is an intermediate step between cable and magnet, used to test rapidly technology and manufacturing variants (turnover of three months):
- Conductor variants
- Insulation systems
- Impregnation resins
- Sliding and separating surfaces



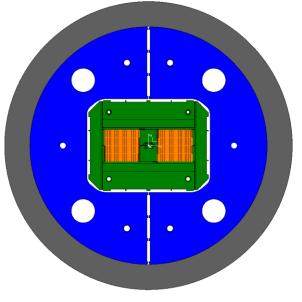
OD = 530 mm L = 500 mm No free bore  $B_{\text{ultimate}} = 14 \text{ T}$   $W_{\text{strand}} \approx 10 \text{ kg} \text{ (20 kCHF)}$ 



## eRMC high-field operation

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- The "extended Racetrack Model Coil" is a test-bed for full size conductors reproducing full field and force conditions over a representative length, including transitions, used to test manufacturing solutions:
- Conductor grading
- Layer jumps and splices
- Loading conditions
- Conductor interfaces to pole and end-spacers
- Heat treatment and impregnation



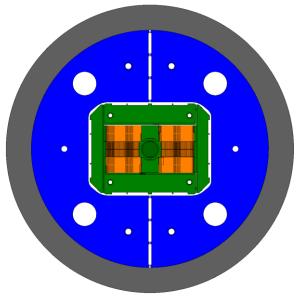
 $\begin{array}{l} \text{OD} = 800 \text{ mm} \\ \text{L} = 1.5 \text{ m} \\ \text{No free bore} \\ \text{B}_{\text{ultimate}} = 18 \text{ T} \\ \text{W}_{\text{strand}} \approx 120 \text{ kg} \ \text{(250 kCHF)} \end{array}$ 



#### **RMM x-section demonstration**

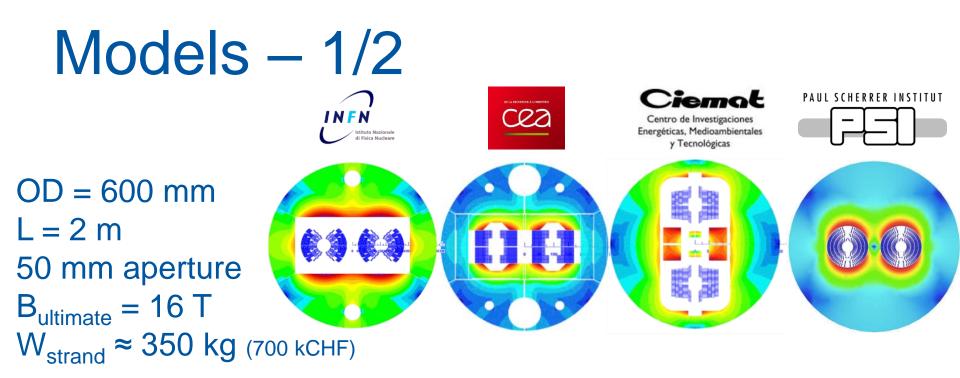
The "Racetrack Model Magnet" is a full size test of a block-coil magnet, including a reproduction of the 2D cross section (with a cavity, no bore), and optimized ends (0.5 T field drop) used to validate and test:

- Force and stress management
- Magnet loading in 3D
- Field quality in 2D



OD = 800 mm L = 1.5 m 50 mm free cavity  $B_{ultimate} = 18 T$  $W_{strand} \approx 180 \text{ kg} (350 \text{ kCHF})$ 

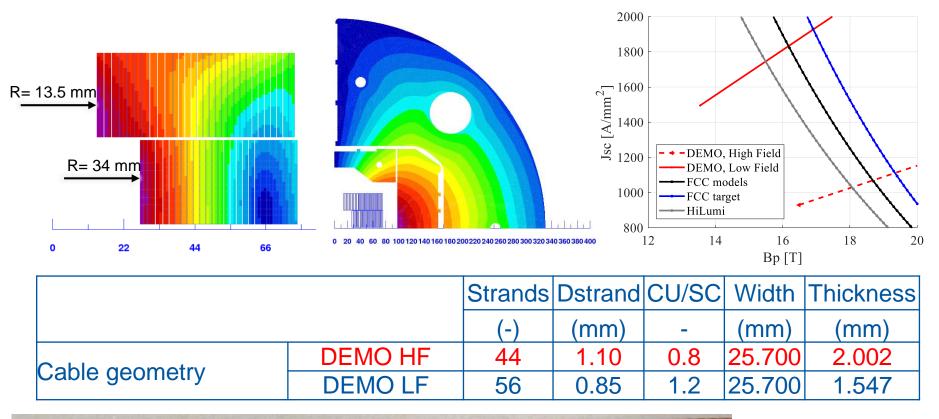




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Current	(A)	10000	11230	16100	18055
Inductance	(mH/m)	50	40	19.2	19.2
Stored energy	(kJ/m)	2500	2520	2490	3200
Coil mass	(tons)	7400	7400	9200	9770



Models -2/2

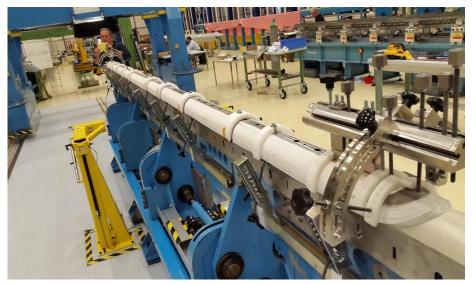




DEMO-HF prototype Courtesy of I. Pong LBNL



## Value Engineered Dipole



- One mold for HT and impregnation
- Armored coils
- Magnet assembly (collaring, bladder-and-keys, ...)
- Cold mass construction

- Insulation system, fibers, sizing, binder and resins Coil handling (especially after
- heat treatment)
- Coil geometry measurement and shimming
- Splices and instrumentation





#### Just ideas for the moment

#### **HTS demonstrator magnets**

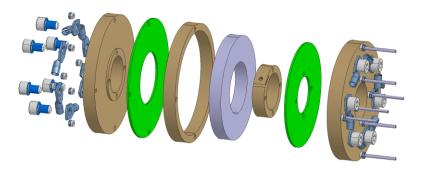
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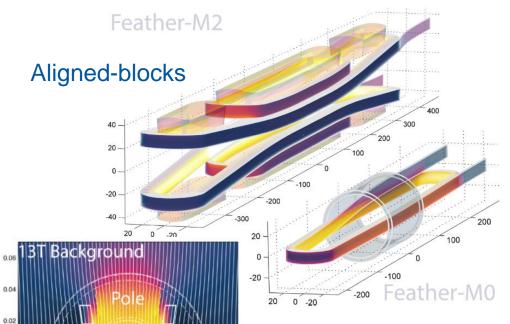
Small coils to test basic magnet properties and technology variants



Test solenoids with insulation variants



Insert coils to test in-field behavior and performance reach

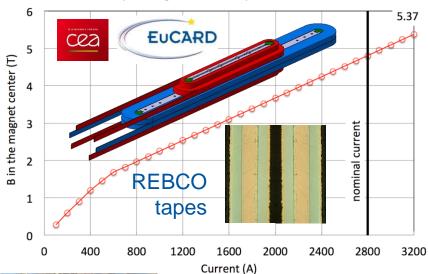


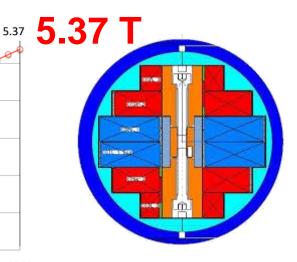
Field generated by Feather-M2 as **insert** in a magnet providing **background field** FRESCA2 (13 T)



#### EuCARD/EuCARD<sup>2</sup> - HTS inserts

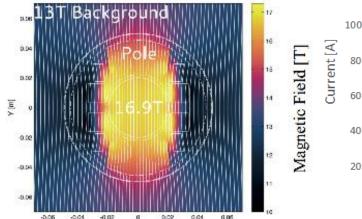
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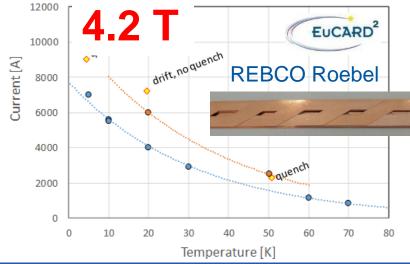




● Run 1 ● Run 2 ◆ Run 3









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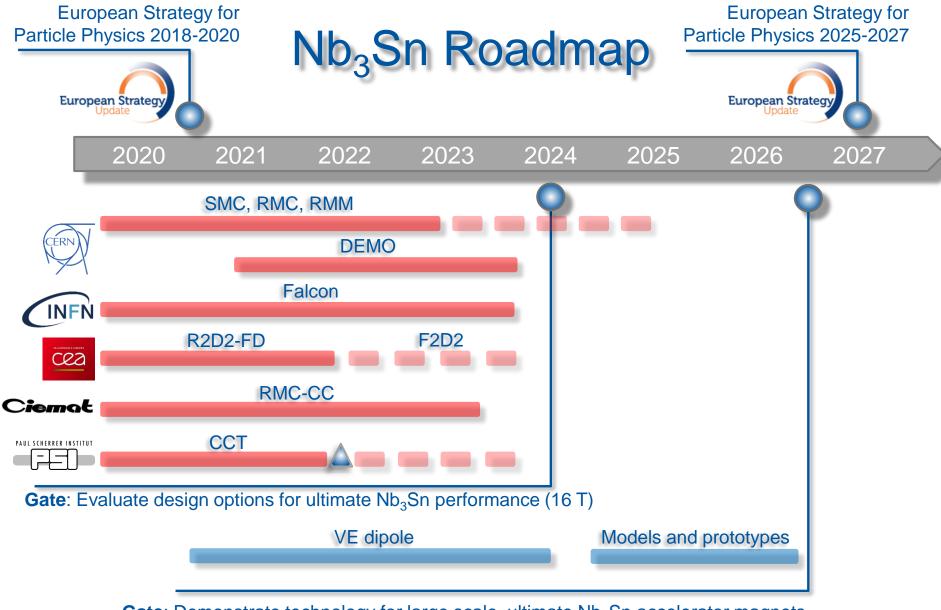
## After 5 years – PROVISIONAL

#### LTS program deliverables

- <u>Conductor R&D</u>  $\rightarrow$  HL-LHC Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn at multiple suppliers, reduced cost. Superconductor with properties approaching FCC targets
- <u>Insulating materials  $R\&D \rightarrow Upgrade of the insulation scheme</u></u>$
- Magnet technology R&D → An answer to basic questions on training, protection, and mechanics (SMC, eRMC, RMM). Model magnet results beyond HL-LHC (model magnet results) ready for *critical decision*
- <u>Accelerator magnet R&D</u>  $\rightarrow$  Engineering upgrade and optimization of design, methods, materials and tooling for large series production of long magnets, ready for long magnet prototyping
- Infrastructure  $R\&D \rightarrow Workshops$  and a new very high-field test station
- HTS program deliverables
- <u>Conductor R&D</u>  $\rightarrow$  Consolidated development targets. Exploration of alternatives for materials and cables, and associated characterization
- <u>Coil and magnet technology R&D</u>  $\rightarrow$  exploration of basic design concepts. Coil and magnet fabrication technology. An answer to basic questions on suitability for accelerator operation (small coils, coil inserts, small models)
  - Demonstrator undulator ready for test in a beam line
- Review the High Field Magnet program at the end of this phase (Gate Review in 2024)



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Gate: Demonstrate technology for large scale, ultimate Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnets



We need to develop a similar roadmap for HTS

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## Summary

- Two main aims:
  - Exploit Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet technology up to its practical upper limit, both in terms of maximum performance (maximum field target 16 T) as well as scale (production in large series o(10<sup>3</sup>) units)
- Provide a proof-of-principle for HTS magnet technology beyond the reach of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, with a target of 20 T dipole field, and sufficient field quality for accelerator application
- The program targets to reach critical results for the *next season* of the European Strategy for Particle Physics (2025-2027)
- It will be highly beneficial to integrate programs into a joint High Field Magnet Development Plan







#### Here Be Dragons

#### The "Virtuous Circle" of SC R&D

#### The *pull*

- Set the performance targets for the specific project
- Provide a finite time scale, quantity and budget for the realization
- Exploit the technology in the scope of the specific project

#### The scout Search for the materials that have the potential to meet the rojects performance targets Perform material R&D and characterization The bridge Overlap between the fields of Industry academia (material research) and industry (large scale production) The run Demonstrate the viability of the technology on a small scale

- Adopt and adapt the technology for scaling-up to production needs
- Produce as from the project demands
- Exploit the opportunities and alternative applications

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#### Future Needs of SC materials

- Realize **ultimate performance in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn**, as it has been specified for the main magnets of a Future Circular Collider in a new (FCC) or existing (HE-LHC) tunnel
- Demonstrate the potential of HTS materials to complement and possibly surpass LTS accelerator magnet technology, providing efficient very-high-field or high operating margin options for specific locations in existing and future colliders, and eventually extending the energy reach of circular synchrotrons
  - **Preserve our accelerators** in the long-term, including LHC and HL-LHC



#### The SC landscape today

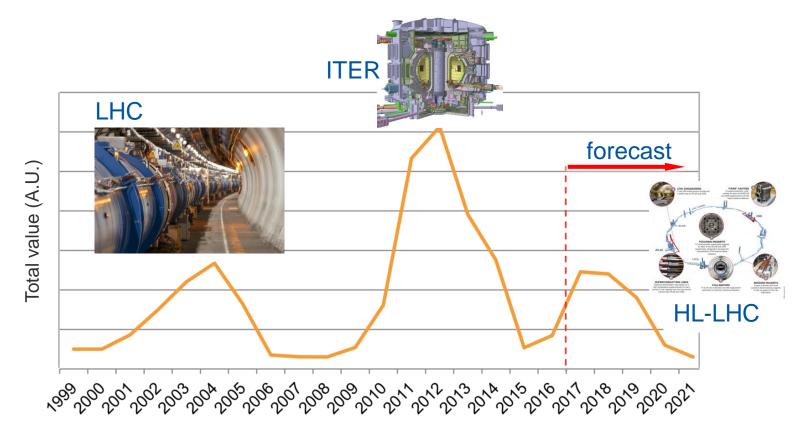
- Expertise and IP on superconducting wires and tapes is essentially localized in industry
- The industry of superconductors produces
  - LTS for MRI, NMR and science as a *commodity*: highly competitive, under pressure for continuous cost-reduction, relatively small profit margins
  - Advanced superconductors, LTS and HTS as a *niche*: small production volume, material cost negligible, wires/tapes sold under cost, highly subsidized to support operations
  - Big Science (e.g. LHC and ITER) as one-off: these productions call for specific arrangements, fast production scaling up, and are often followed by dramatic consolidation among suppliers
- The market of advanced superconductors is not sustainable (missing *killer application*), and industry is no longer willing to pay material R&D (superconductivity is no longer a *high-tech jewel* as it was the case 30-50 years ago)
- Academia is attracted by fundamental physics (e.g. "anomalous electronic properties" rather than "superconductivity"), not by metallurgy
- The virtuous circle is broken, **a gap has formed between academia and industry**<sup>(1)</sup>. In practice we witness
  - High volatility of scientific engagements, results and prices
  - Loss of general knowledge, specific IP and technology of relevance for HEP (e.g. recent examples of PIT Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, BSCCO powders and wires, Rutherford cables)

<sup>(1)</sup> China may represent an exception, in that government has promoted a new supplier to fulfill the in-kind superconductor contribution to ITER, and is now moving aggressively into the commercial market while maintaining a very high level of R&D.



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#### Comments on the present SC landscape

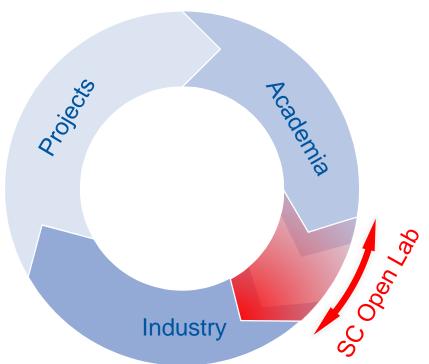


## Superconductivity for Big Science is not an attractive market



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### The response: SC Open Lab



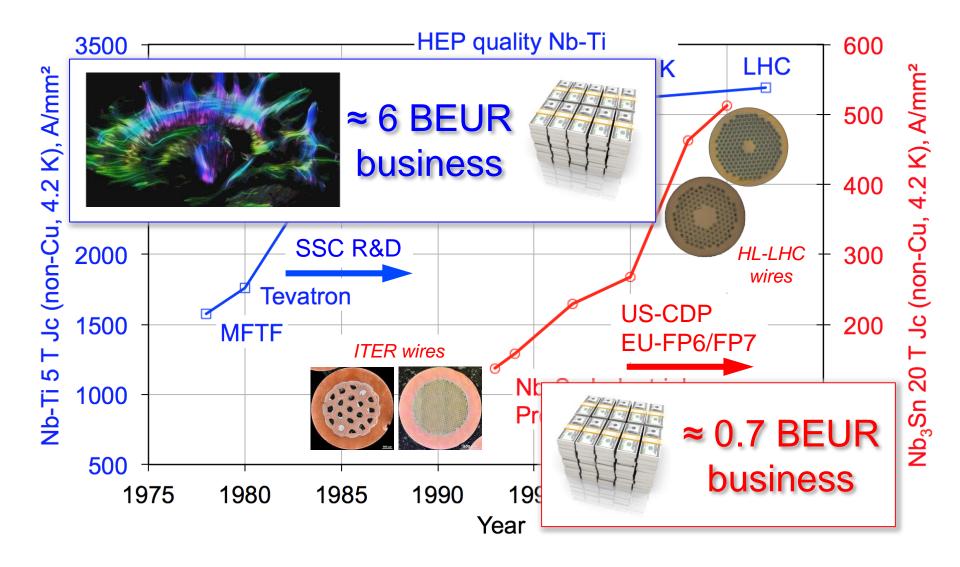
#### The bridge

An *open laboratory* for R&D on applied superconductivity

- Research and development of technical superconductors (LTS and HTS) and cables
- Demonstration on a small scale (10...100 m) of the viability of a technology, in view of the extrapolation to an industrial production
- Secure on the long term the intellectual property and the expertise required for a production on large scale (SC production kit)



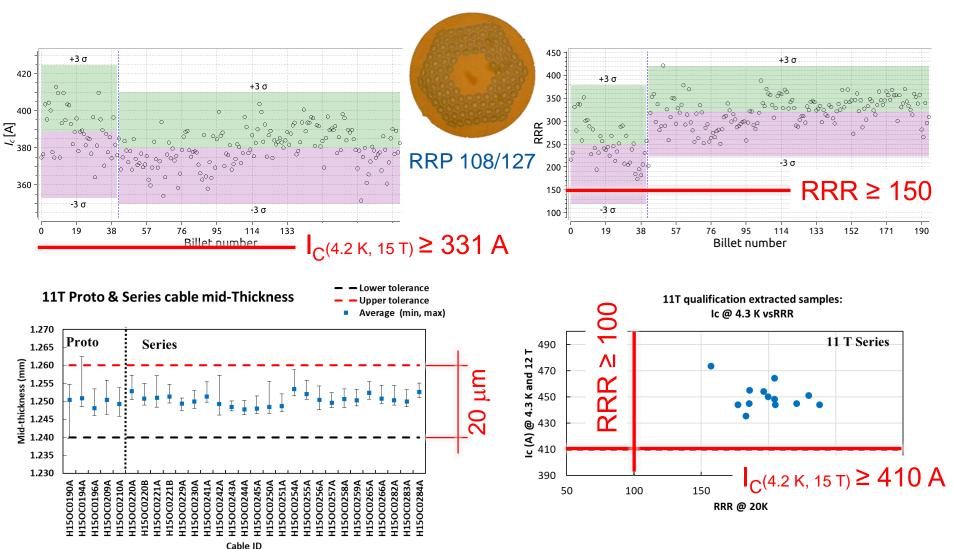
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On the unreasonable request of high  $J_C$ 

#### **HL-LHC** wires and cables

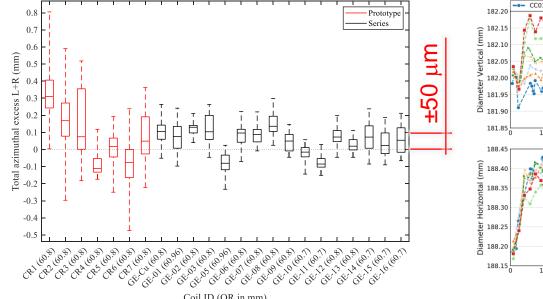


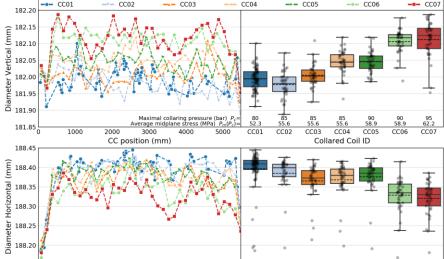


This is an industrial production !

#### 11T collared coils



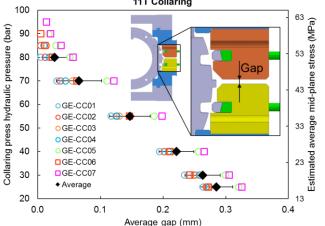




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Coil ID (OR in mm)



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#### This is an industrial production !

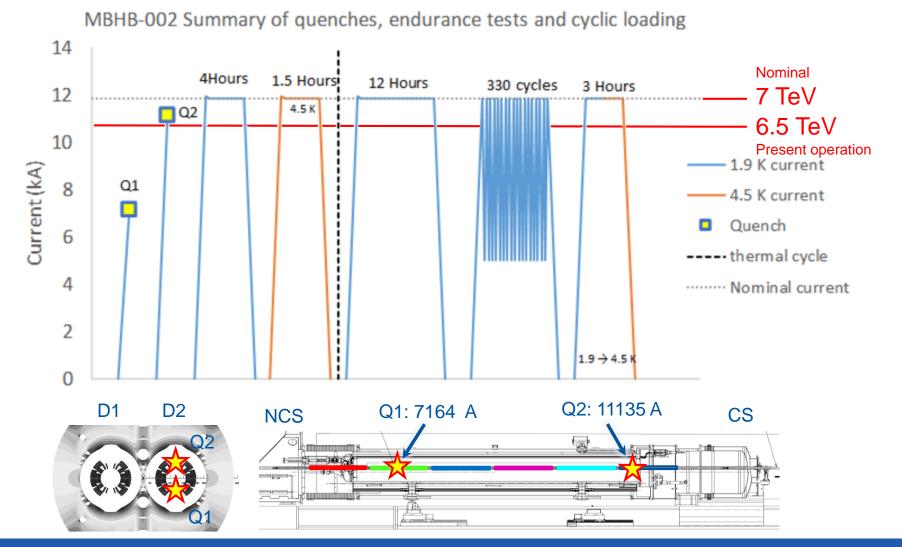
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### LMBHB002 powering tests





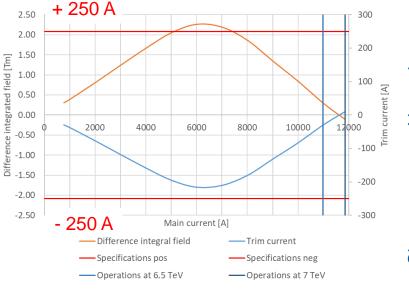
This is an accelerator worthy dipole !

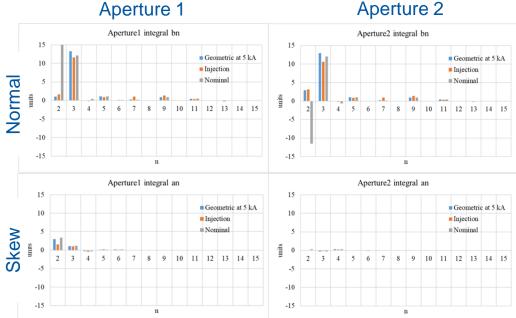
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### LMBHB002 Field Quality

#### Transfer Function difference MB vs. MBH

#### Geometric Multipoles (@17 mm)





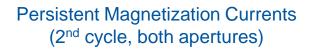
A trim current is injected in the 11 T dipole circuit to match LHC dipole transfer function (based on average of integral field measurements for the 2 apertures)  $b_2$  (normal quadrupole) arises from iron saturation and is as expected (~±14 u);

 $b_3$  (normal sextupole) is a bit larger than expected (~7 u).

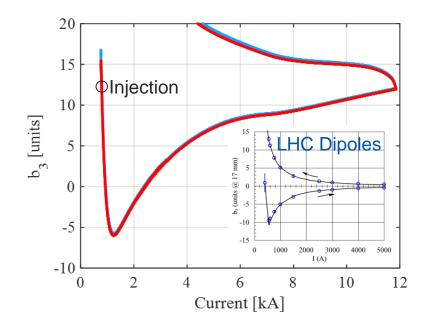
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#### LMBHB002 Field Quality



Time decay at Injection (760 A)



 The injection current is on the "wrong side" of the peak of persistent current sextupole due to the inherent magnetic moment of the SC
 filaments (approximately 50 µm diameter), and
 ≈ 2.5 times larger than in the LHC Nb-Ti dipoles  b<sub>3</sub> time decay at injection is "reversed" due to the initial point, and relatively small when compared to the LHC Nb-Ti dipoles

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#### This is an accelerator worthy dipole !

## Ultimate Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn HF dipole

- <u>Objective</u>: Explore conductor and magnet technology at the upper limit of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn (LTS) with a projected upper target of 16 T
- <u>Scope</u>: Produce accelerator-relevant short models as technology demonstrators, in connection with progression in basic R&D (conductor and cable, SMC, RMC, RMM,...)
- <u>Time scale</u>: 2020...2024



#### Value engineered HF dipole

- <u>Objective</u>: Develop cost-effective design features and robust manufacturing processes that apply to large scale production (10<sup>3</sup> magnets) of high-field accelerator magnets, *securing* the field range achieved with HL-LHC
- Scope: Study engineering processes and solutions. Demonstrate initially at small scale (e.g. SMC). Progress to scale increase, from models to long prototypes
- Time scale: 2020...2027



## HTS HF magnets

- <u>Objective</u>: Explore conductor and magnet technology at field beyond Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, using HTS, with a projected upper target of 20 T for dipoles (and equivalent for other magnets)
- Scope: Demonstrators are small coils and high-field inserts to be tested in background facilities, relatively small amount of HTS
- <u>Time scale</u>: 2020...2024





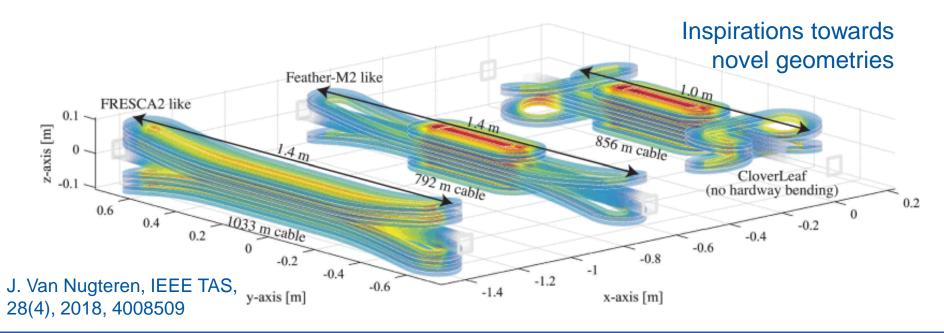
## Very High Field Test Facility

- Objective: a new test bed, mostly dedicated to HTS cables and inserts, approaching operating conditions of very high-field accelerator magnets
  - B<sub>bkg</sub> ≈ 15 T
  - I<sub>op</sub> > 20 kA
  - T<sub>op</sub> ≈ 1.9 K ... 100 K
  - Large aperture (≈ 150 mm)
  - <u>Scope</u>: conductor procurement and magnet construction, this project materializes the R&D on the ultimate Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipole
- <u>Time scale</u>: 2021...2025



### The HTS models

- Specific issues (e.g. winding geometry, field quality, ...) may require to realize small magnets with aperture and intermediate field (range of 5 to 10 T)
- Given the charting nature of this R&D, it is important to approach problems gradually, especially in terms of force and energy density
- This is best achieved testing at variable temperature

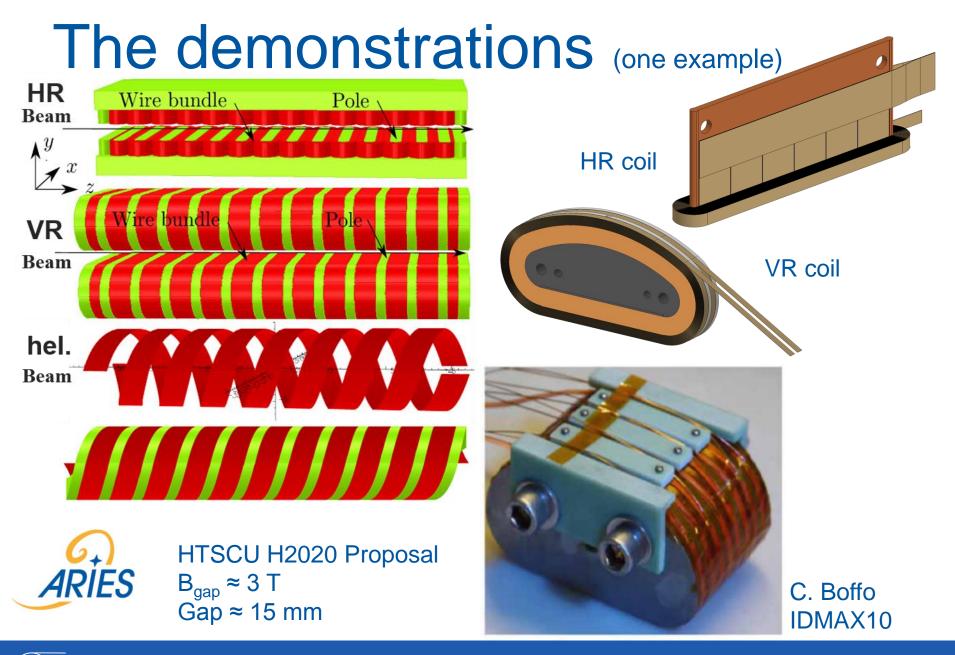




## HTS wiggler/undulator

- Objective: design and prototype a HTS wiggler/undulator with a combination of field/period/gap that cannot be achieved by LTS
- <u>Scope</u>: design a wiggler/undulator
  demonstrator for a test in a beam line
  (synchrotron light source or free electron
  laser). This project materializes the R&D on
  the HTS dipole
- Time scale: 2019...2024





#### This is the right scale for a **beam test** !

## R&D Plan Overview – 1

<u>1. Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Conductors</u>

- Bring multiple suppliers to HL-LHC performances (2022), aim at stable production and reduced cost w/r to HL-LHC;

- Support development towards 1500 A/mm<sup>2</sup> at 4.2 K and 16 T (2024), including through <u>SC Open Laboratory</u> initiative;

- Initiate and support parallel R&D efforts on cabling and cabling degradation (2022-2024).

2. Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Magnet Technology

- Consolidate technology development program and carry out value engineering effort to bring Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnet technology to full maturity and enable industrialization (2020-2024);

- Build model dipoles at increasing performances (up to 16 T) devoted at exploring design variants (2020-2024);

- Build a sequence of model dipoles aiming at optimization and proof of reproducibility (2024-2027).

3. Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Accelerator Magnet

- Introduce engineering solutions for risk- and cost-reduction, robust production on a large scale, and *secure* the field range achieved with HL-LHC (11 T to 12 T; 2020-2024)

- Initiate construction of long prototypes (2024-2027)



## R&D Plan Overview – 2

- 4. Non-LTS Conductors and HTS Coil/Magnet Technology
  - Review and consolidate engineering specifications for HTS development (2020) and support development of non-LTS conductors;
  - define and initiate HTS technology development program (2020);
  - explore potential of HTS through small coils and inserts aiming at boosting field (3 T to 7 T) in a background magnet (13 T to 15 T) (2020-2025).
- 5. Special HEP Magnets and Know-How Valorisation
  - special magnets for future HEP projects: *e.g.*, FCC e-e, CLIC, wigglers, spectrometers;
  - valorize Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn know-how by supporting other high-field applications: *e.g.*, 14 T MRI;
  - valorise development of Medium Temperature Superconductors (MgB<sub>2</sub> or HTS) by exploring new potential applications: *e.g.*, large super-ferric magnets (2020-2030);
  - valorize SC magnet know-how by supporting new medical applications and HTS undulators;
  - networking with magnet community and industry.



## R&D Plan Overview – 3

6. Infrastructures

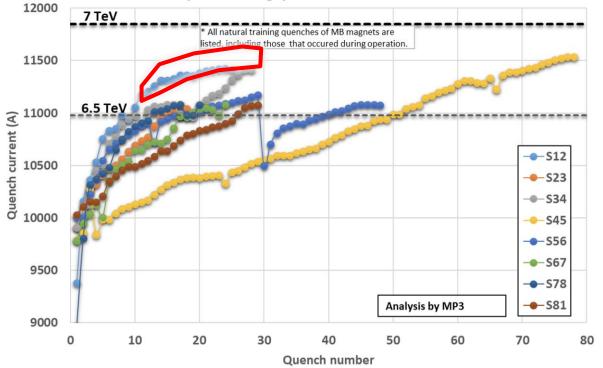
- maintenance/upgrade of large manufacturing and test infrastructures.
- 7. Instruments, design & analysis software tools and databases
  - develop/upgrade specific instruments for qualification, quality control and testing;
  - maintain/consolidate/develop suites of software tools and databases used for design, analysis, data acquisition, data storage and production follow up.
- 8. Polymers & radiation hard materials and cryostat components
  - develop and qualify polymers and radiation hard materials for magnets and other applications at CERN;

- develop and qualify designs and materials for seals, feedthroughs and multilayer insulation.



#### On training – example of LHC

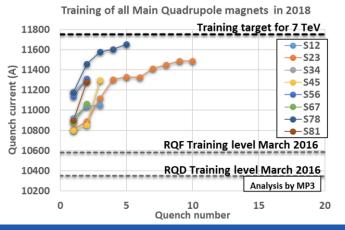
All main dipole training quenches in the LHC since 2008\*



**Surprising !** previous statistics indicated a faster sector training. Still, no limits to 7 TeV, but time will be needed for training ! Sector 12 training (end 2018)

- Series 1000: 8 quenches
- Series 2000: 2 quenches
- Series 3000: 5 quenches

Quadrupole training is "faster" relatively rapidly the current corresponding to 7 TeV

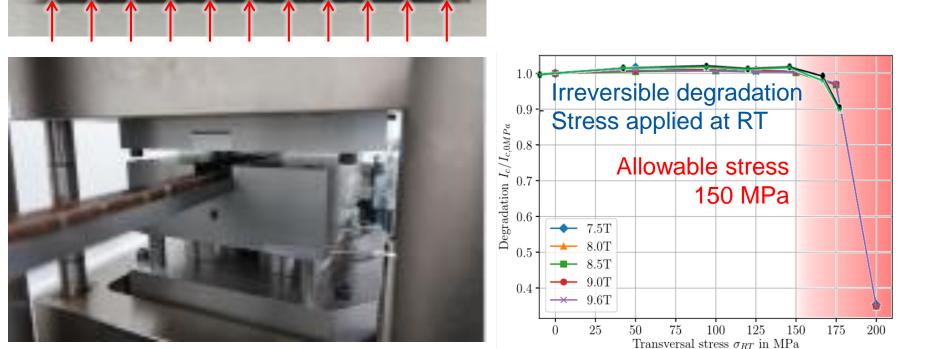




# On Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn limits



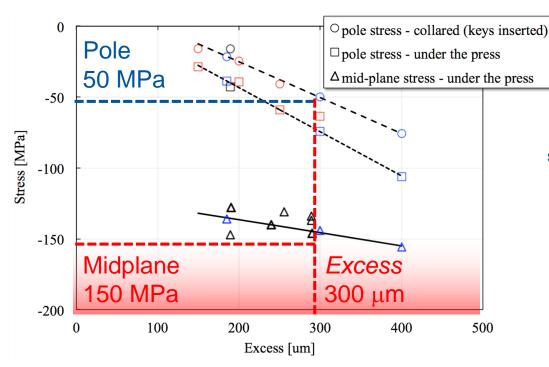
# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn is brittle and extremely fragile

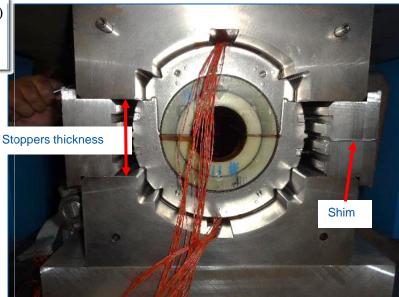


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## On collaring – 11T





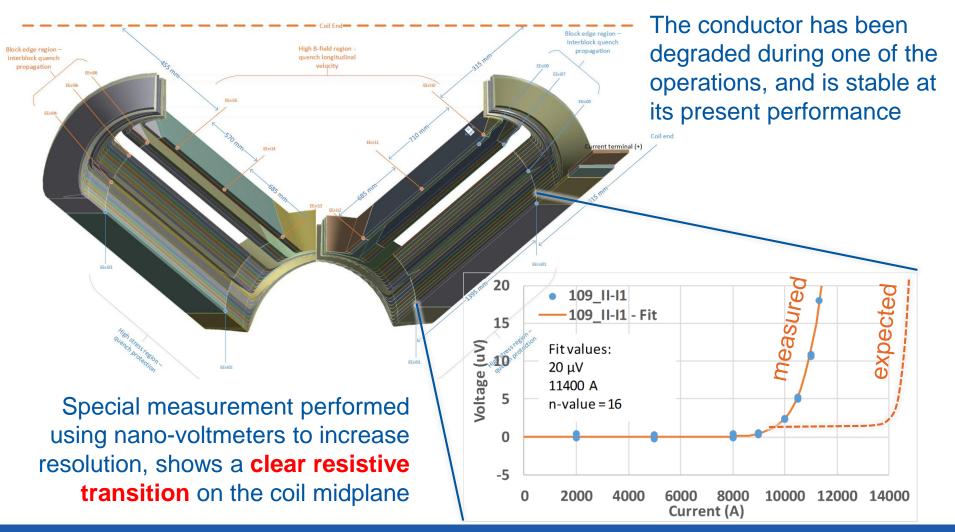


- A maximum excess of 300  $\mu$ m is allowed
- This target has been applied for the collaring operations of SP107, SP109, and GE02/GE03



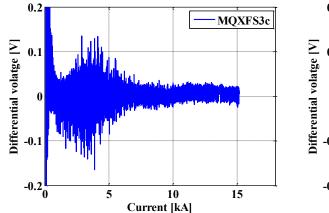
#### On conductor limits in magnets

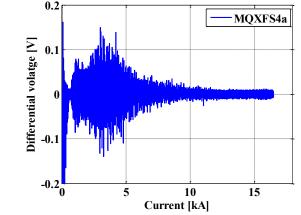
11T Short Dipole – Inner Layer – Instrumentation Voltage Tap Locations



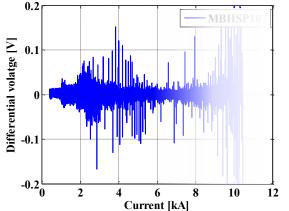


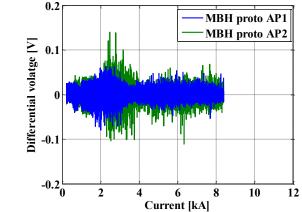
#### Flux jumps in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets MQXFS (1.5 m)

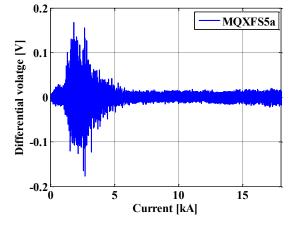




#### MBH 11 T (1.8 m and 5 m)







Similar behavior on Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets tested at CERN to date

- Amplitude <150 mV</li>
- Mainly at low or intermediate field
- From the data collected up to now we see same amplitude on MBH fulllength proto

