# Muon Collider Physics&Benchmarks I

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#### **Physics and Benchmarks**

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#### **Physics:**

Based on previous meetings and on on-going activities, below a list of items to be studied in view of presenting the muon collider physics case for Snowmass. As for FCC, and CLIC, the studies should produce independent publications to be eventually collected in input documents for the Snowmass process. Ideally, we would like the muon collider to appear in all the relevant Physics Briefing Book [1910.11775] plots. However the list below [possibly truncated at point "5", included] is considered a sufficient and realistic target for Snowmass:

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- Single-Higgs coupling measurements and EFT interpretation. In order to contribute to the ECFA effort on Higgs factories. The essential question is what do we lose by not having low-energy runs to measure HZ



#### **Benchmarks:**

A subset of the items above should be studied with the full detector simulation. The aim is to establish how far [or close] we are from the target performances on real physics sensitivity. And to outline concrete physically relevant use cases for the detector.

Some of the items below have been studied already and/or are already under investigation.

It would be ideal if the experimental groups active on each item were supported by and analysis "expert" [theorists or experimentalist] with direct experience on the specific item.



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- Long-lived Particles. Few examples of Future Collider studies that could be repeated using the same benchmark models. <u>https://agenda.linearcollider.org/event/8217/contributions/44770/attachments/34895/540</u> <u>69/UlrikeSchnoor\_chargedLLP\_CLIC3TeV.pdf</u> (charged long-lived) <u>https://cds.cern.ch/record/2625054</u>] Hidden pion (neutral long-lived) A standard long-lived particle benchmark is "X" produced from H -> XX



3. Measurement of the di-Higgs differential cross-section.

The suggestion is to target a measurement of the doubly-different di-Higgs invariant-mass and c.o.m.-angle di-Higgs distribution.

At low mass (and not too forward in angle), this is sensitive to the 3-linear [see CLIC studies].

At high mass, this is sensitive to one important EFT operator [see previous bullet "6"] and also to the direct production of the scalar singlet [see bullet "7"].

Such a measurement in the entire spectrum would thus cover Higgs physics, EFT, and BSM reach at once.

4. Measurements of Higgs cross-sections and BR in all final states.

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An (evolving) Delphes card seems the most effective way to encapsulate the (evolving) target. A "v0" of this card, based on target performances similar to those of CLIC and/or FCC-hh should be produced as soon as possible.

# Recommendations



Target energies for the studies should be: 3, 10, 14, 30 TeV. While 30 TeV is currently not a target, it is useful to understand trends and limitations of the tools, could be a target for Snowmass studies in the US, and matches the "Alegro" study group energy, making the independent publications partially "reusable" in that context.

Some recommendations:

- Vary luminosity around (or widely below) the current target [1] and quantify impact in each analysis, in view of a global assessment of the required luminosity.
- Discuss the impact of critical parameters (see below) related with the detector response.
- Consider discussing if and to what extent the absence of Beamstrahlung and the reduced ISR, compared with CLIC, helps the analysis [in e.g. mono-photon or mono-X, or in backgrounds due to the Beamstrahlung tail or by photon-photon]
- Study if relevant gain with beam polarizations [low priority].

[1] <u>https://arxiv.org/pdf/1901.06150.pdf</u> integrated over 5 years and 1 interaction point

### Requests



Some request for the Detector experts, concerning the critical parameters:

- Should we have benchmarks for the reduced angular acceptance of the detector due to nozzles? [on top of what built-in in the Delphes card]
- Should we have benchmarks for the lower pT threshold of reconstructed objects, possibly reduced by BIB? [again, on top of what built-in in the Delphes card]



#### Thank You !