

CHIMERA at GSI

The ASY-EOS Project 2005-2025+

dedicated to the memory of Angelo Pagano

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8. - 10. October 2025
Catania



FOPI Days in Split, Croatia, 26th-28th May 2005

Friday, 27th May, 9:00-12:30 --- **Isospin physics, stopping and flow**

09:00 W. Reisdorf, GSI

09:30 Bao-An Li, Arkansas

10:00 Massimo Di Toro, Catania

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00 Herrmann H. Wolter, Munich

11:30 Marcello Baldo, Catania

12:00 W. Trautmann, GSI

earlier FOPI + LAND data on neutron flow mentioned in the discussion ...

Pion physics

Determining the **symmetry energy** at high densities with relativistic HIC

Nuclear EOS at high baryon and isospin density: sensitive observables

Symmetry energy: flow, pion production and isospin transport

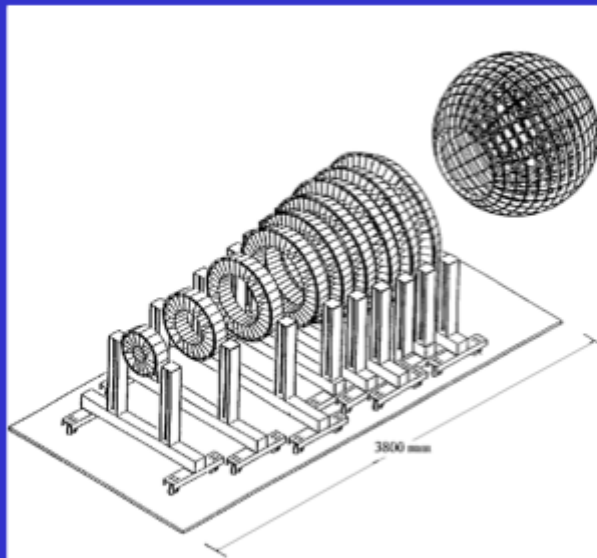
The **nuclear equation of state** from low density to just above saturation

Symmetry energy and recent ALADIN results



**IWM 2005 in Catania November 29 – December 1st
slide shown during discussion session:**

Information needed on impact parameter orientation and modulus



program:

- 1) theor. predictions for neutron rich AND poor systems
- 2) feasibility study (targets, geometry, count rates, background (GEANT), financing)
- 3) get attention of FOPI, LAND, work within NUSTAR/R3B

CHIMERA + LAND



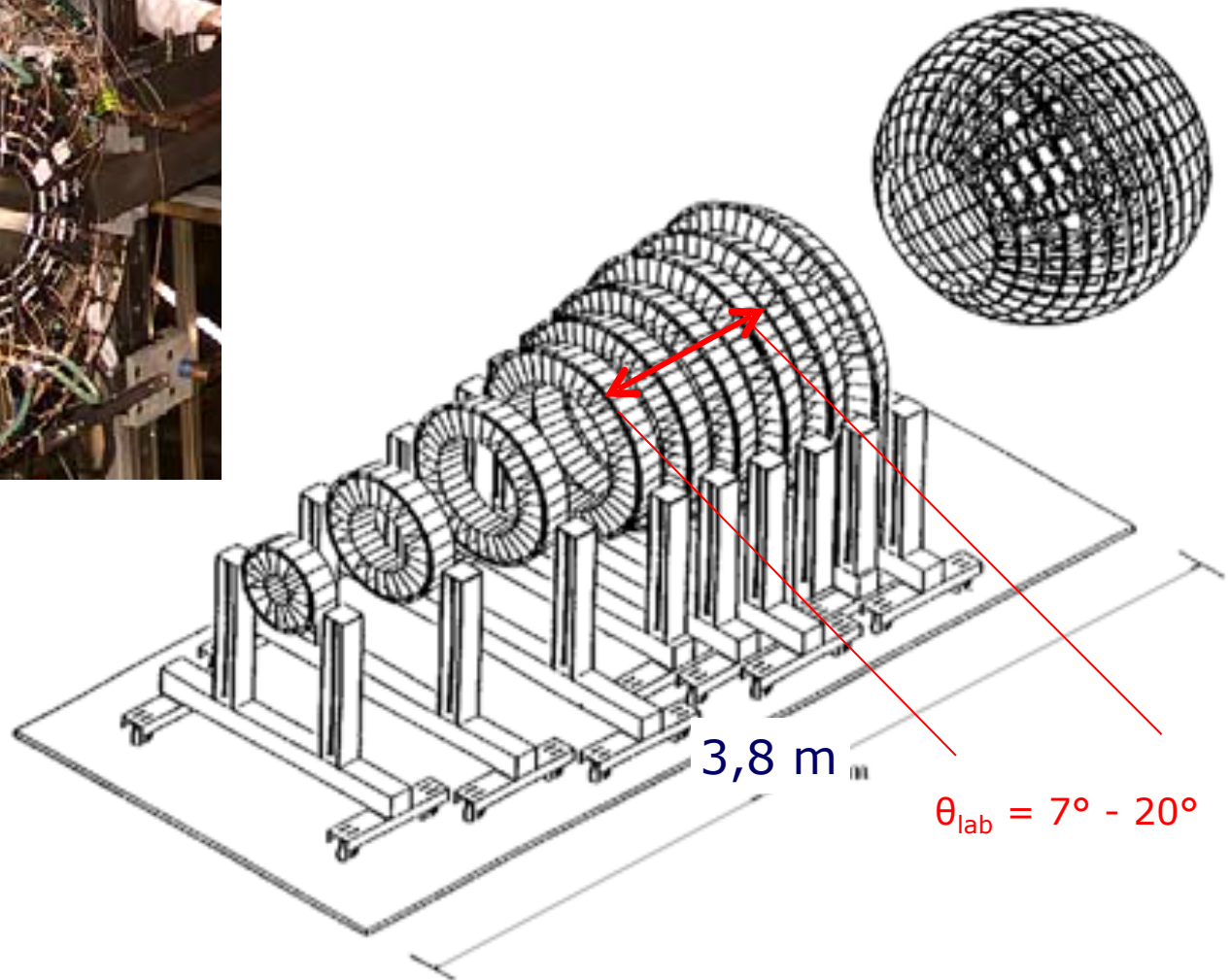
CHIMERA – GSI Workshop Dec 2006
"Symmetry Energy in Nuclear Reactions"



4 double rings
of CHIMERA,
352 modules

➔ GSI ?

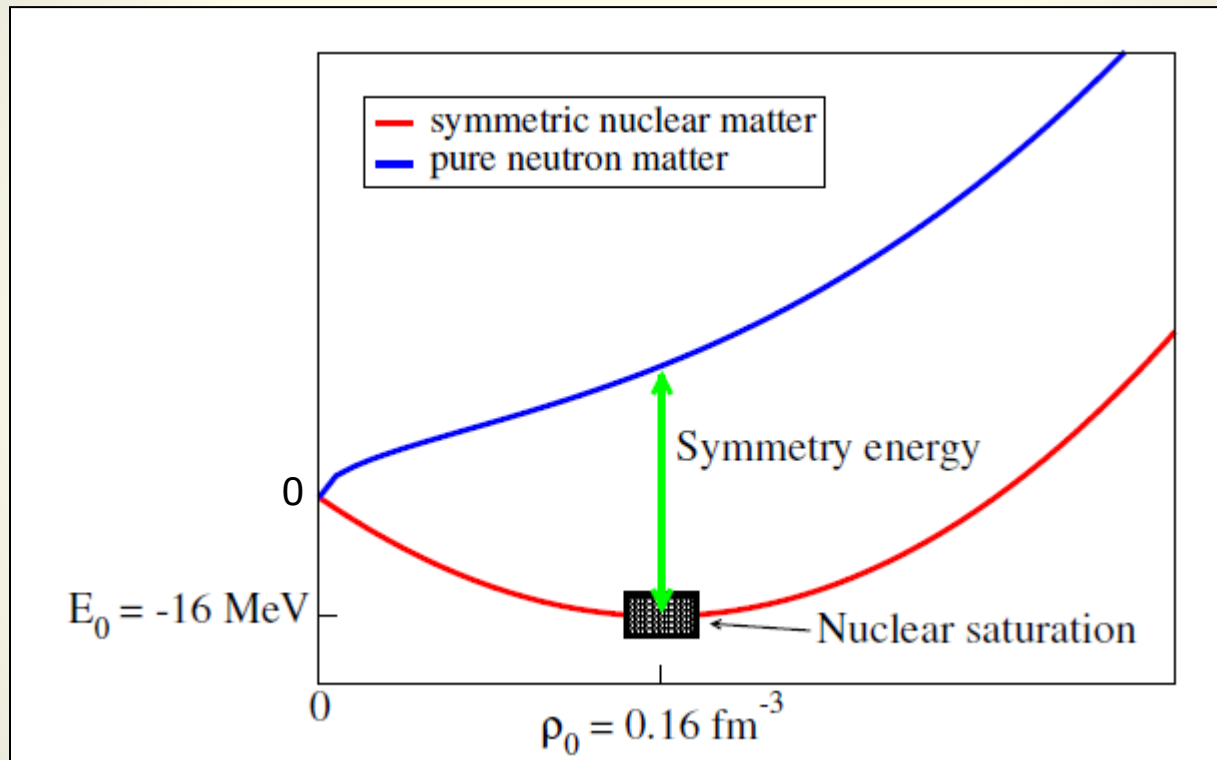
on CHIMERA:
Pagano+,
Nucl. Phys. A 734,
504 (2004)



Nuclear Equation of State (EoS)

$$\text{asymmetry } \delta = (\rho_n - \rho_p) / \rho$$

Stefano Gandolfi

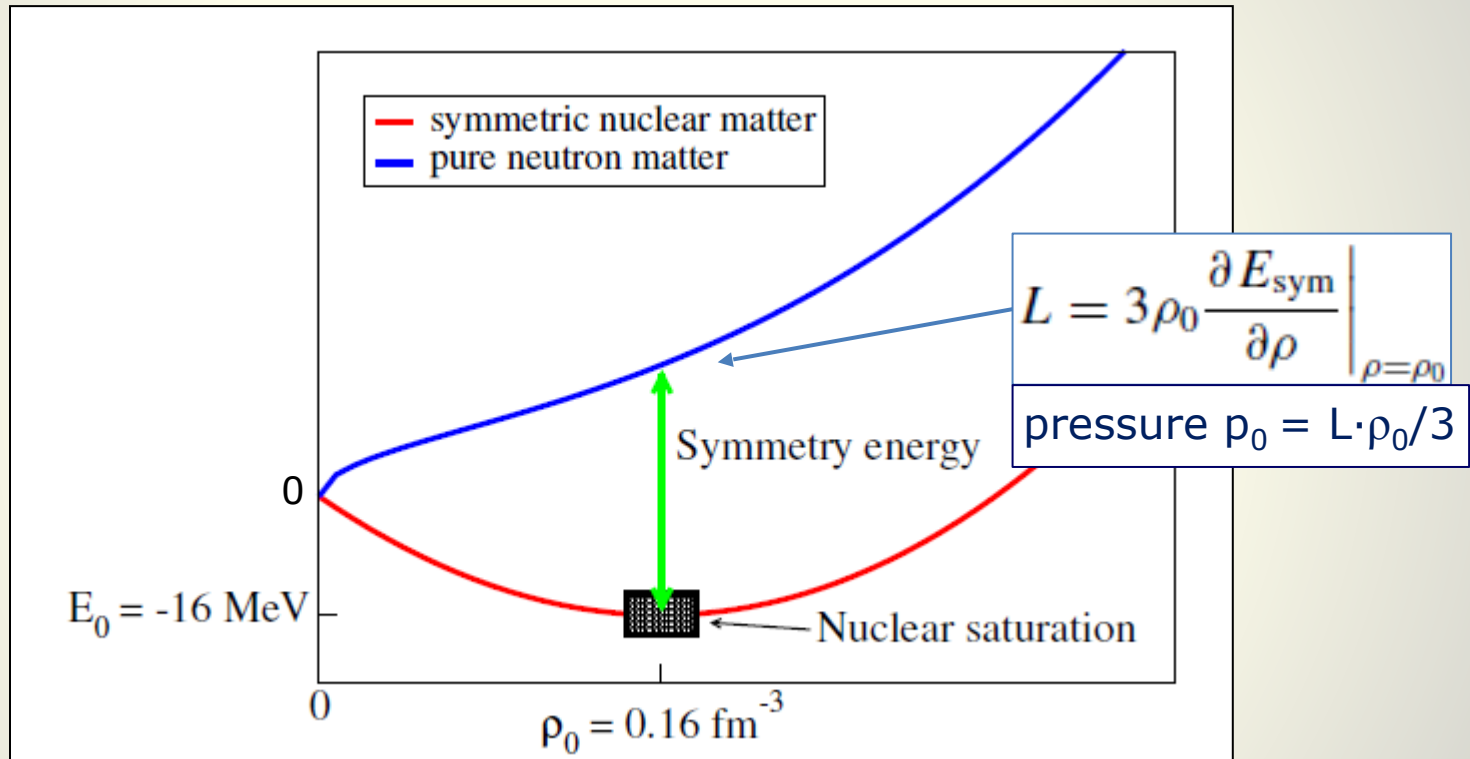


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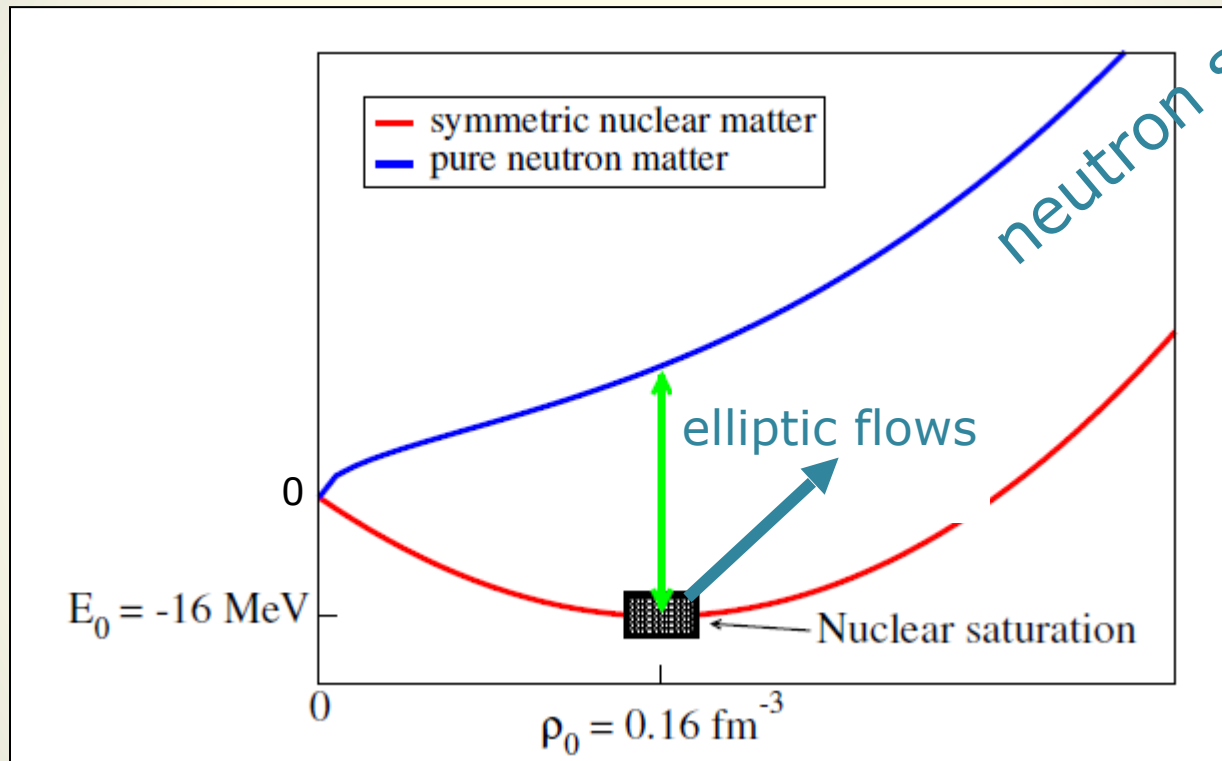
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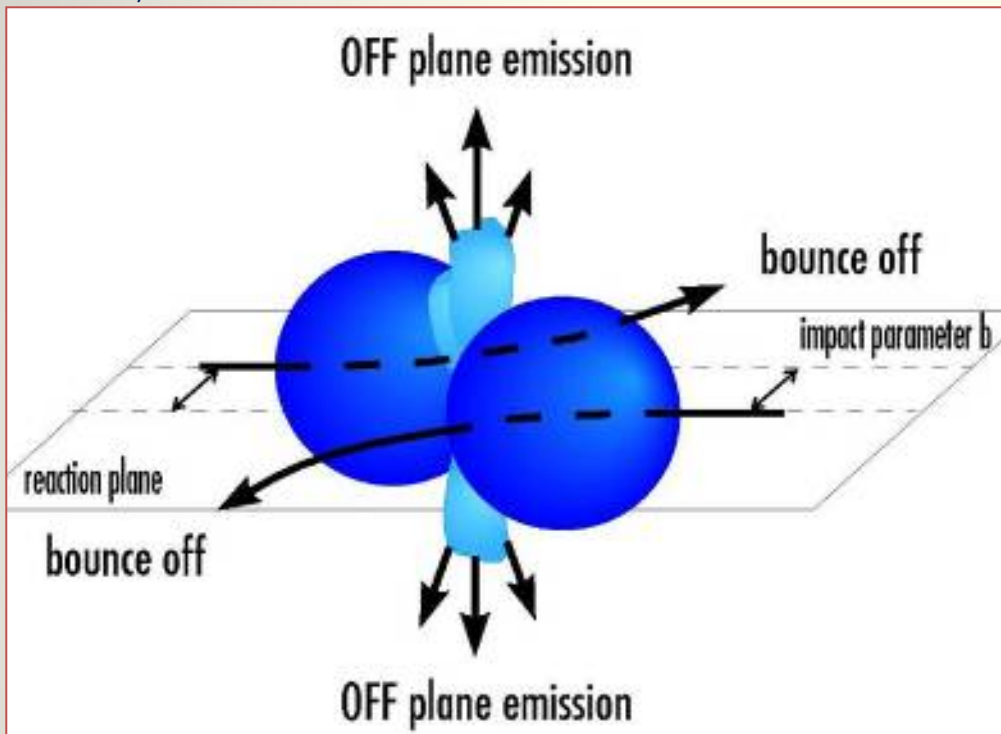
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elliptic flow: a pressure gauge for nuclear matter

Buchwald/Frankfurt



used for EoS:

SNM: FOPI, AGS, BNL

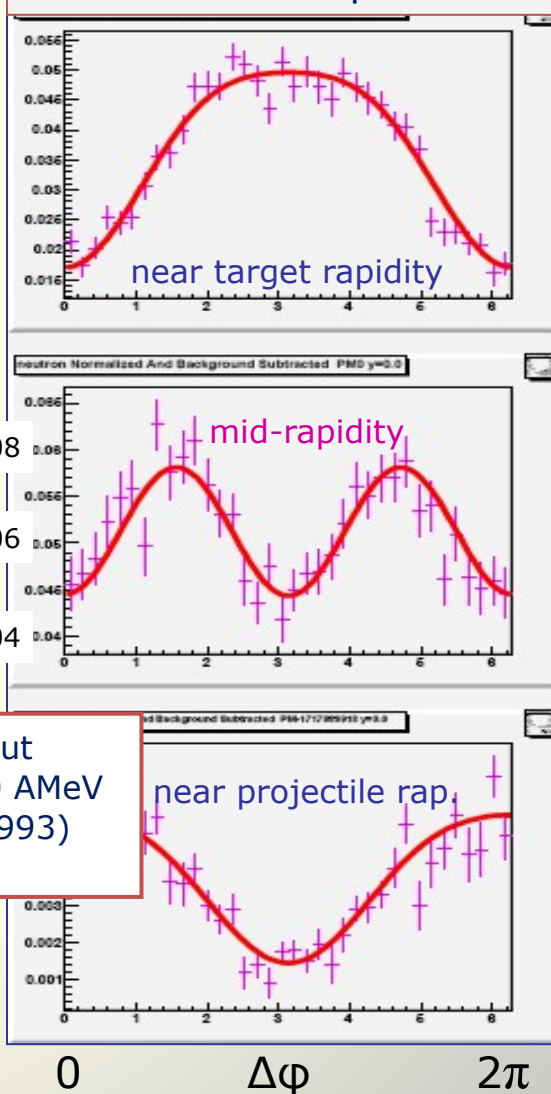
Le Fèvre+ NPA 945, 112 (2016)

PNM: FOPI-LAND, ASY-EOS

Russotto+ PRC 94, 034608 (2016)

neutron squeeze-out
for Au + Au @ 400 A MeV
Leifels+ PRL 71 (1993)
(FOPI-LAND data)

neutrons, azimuthal distr.
fit with Fourier expansion



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GSi-PAC In 2009:

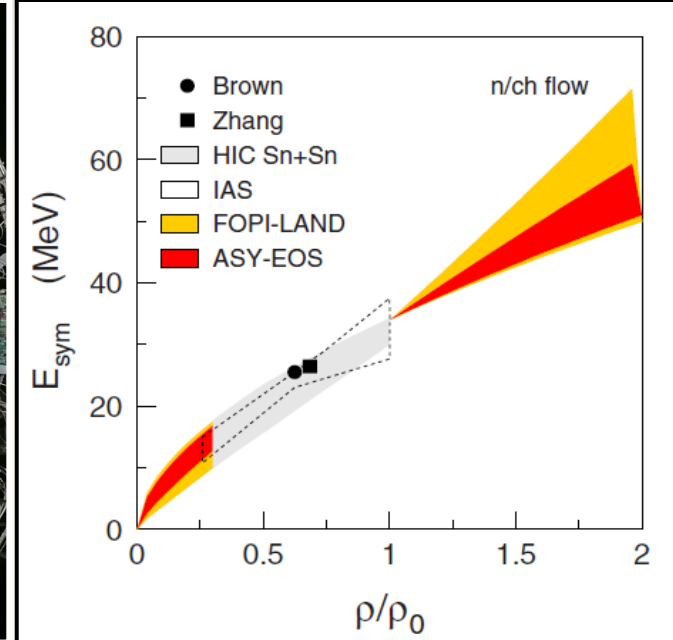
"The combination of LAND, ALADIN and Chimera is a unique opportunity to study the density dependence of the symmetry energy".

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PHYSICAL REVIEW C 94, 034608 (2016)

Results of the ASY-EOS experiment at GSI: The symmetry energy at suprasaturation density

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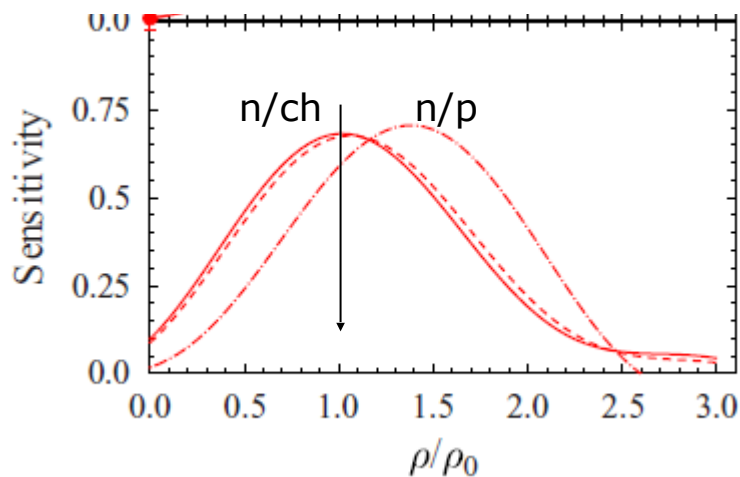


ASY-EOS: neutron vs charged-particle elliptic-flow ratios

Au+Au @ 400

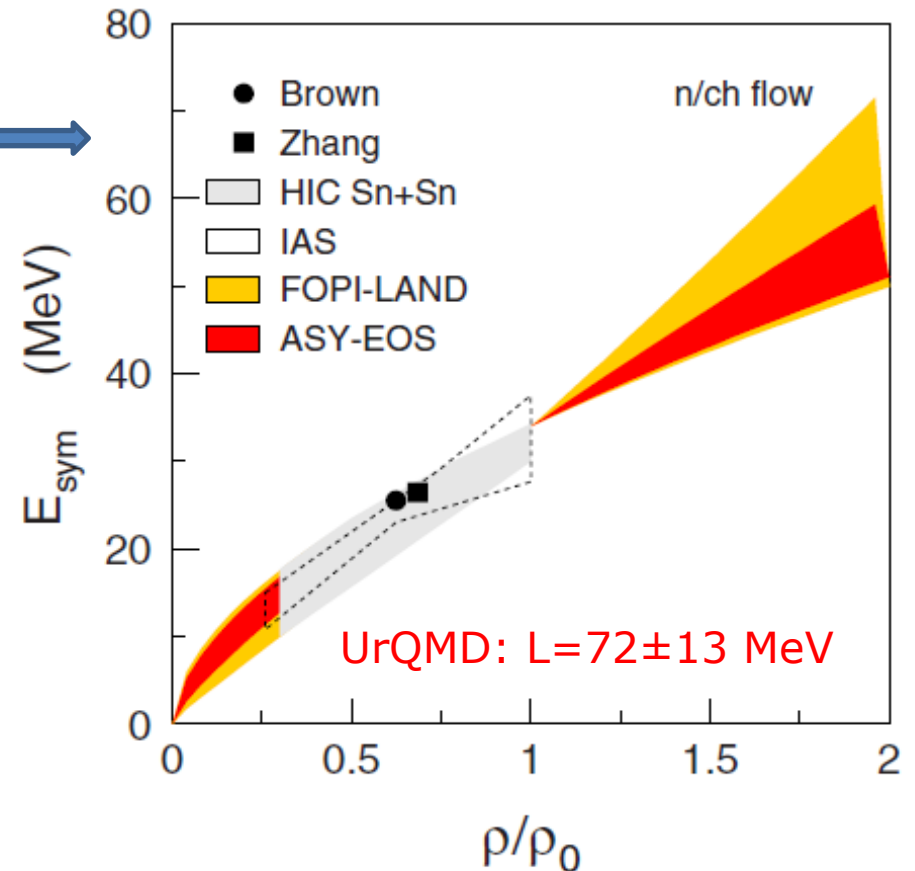
compiled by
Horowitz+
JPhysG (2014)

sensitivity to density



density probed extends to $2.5 \rho_0$
maximum near **saturation density**

P. Russotto+ PRC 94, 034608 (2016)

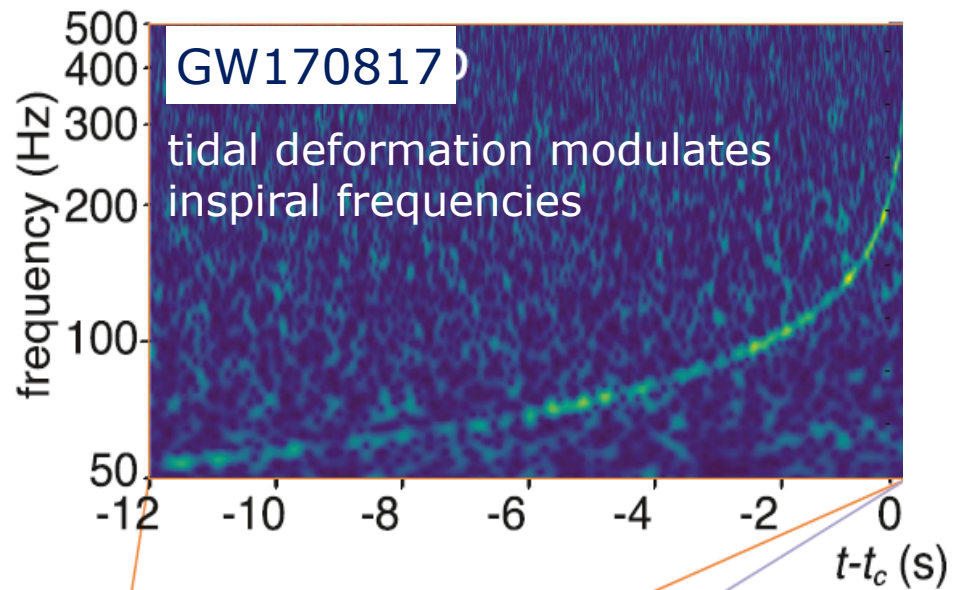


$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0) = 34 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow L = 72 \pm 13 \text{ MeV}$
 $E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0) = 31 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow L = 63 \pm 11 \text{ MeV}$

LIGO Hanford observatory

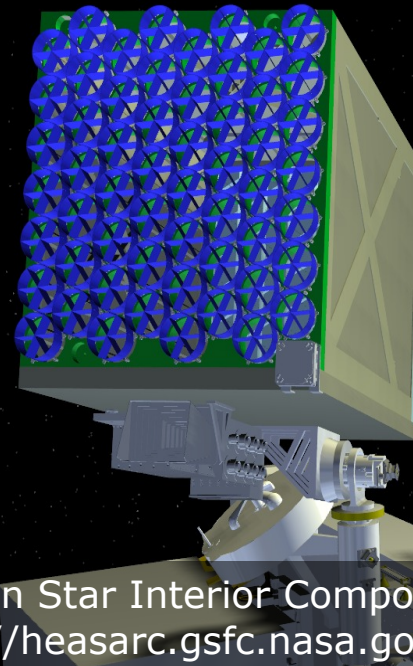


<https://www.researchgate.net/publication/224254006>



B.P. Abbott et al., LIGO and Virgo Collab.
The Astrophys. J. Letters, 848:L12 (2017)

NICER
on the ISS
in 2017



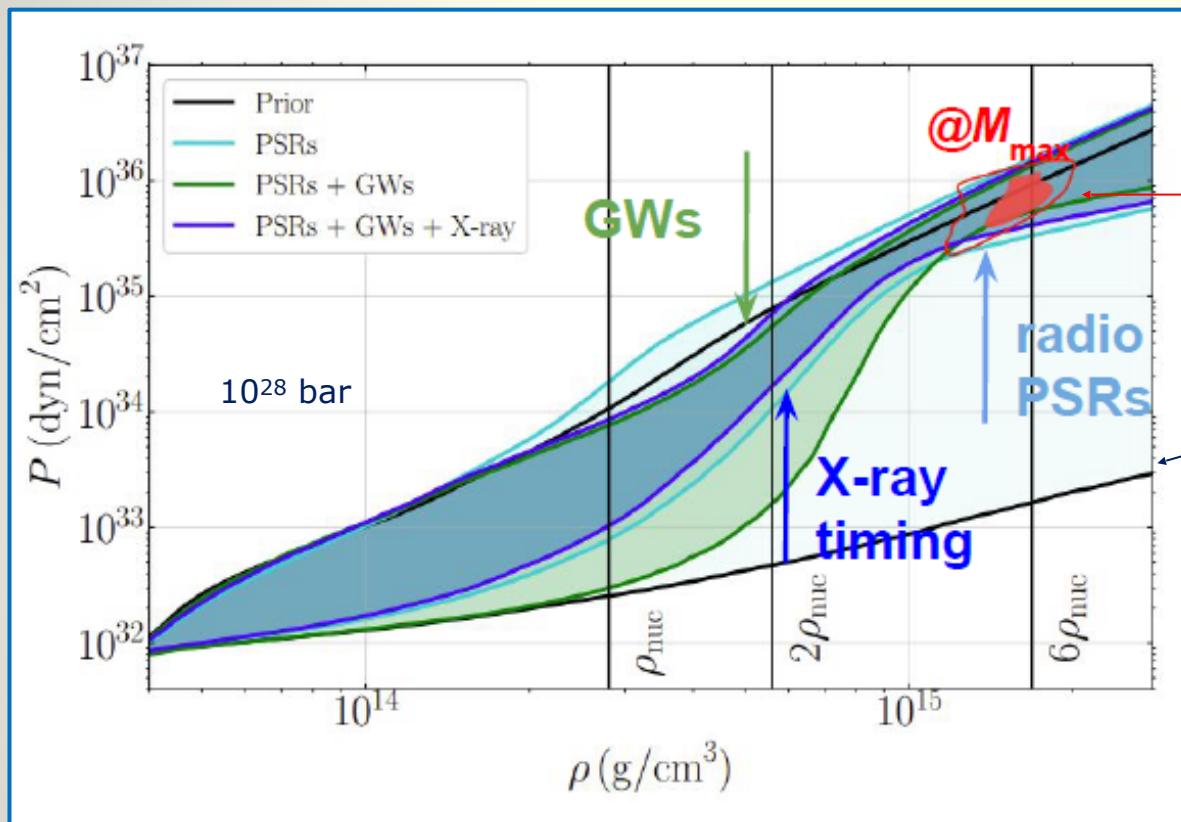
Neutron Star Interior Composition Explorer
<https://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/nicer/>

Green Bank Telescope
820-1400 MHz



Allegheny mountains, Virginia
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Reed Essick at NuSym22 in Catania



Legred+, PRD 104,
063003 (2021)

50%/90% contours
90% shadings

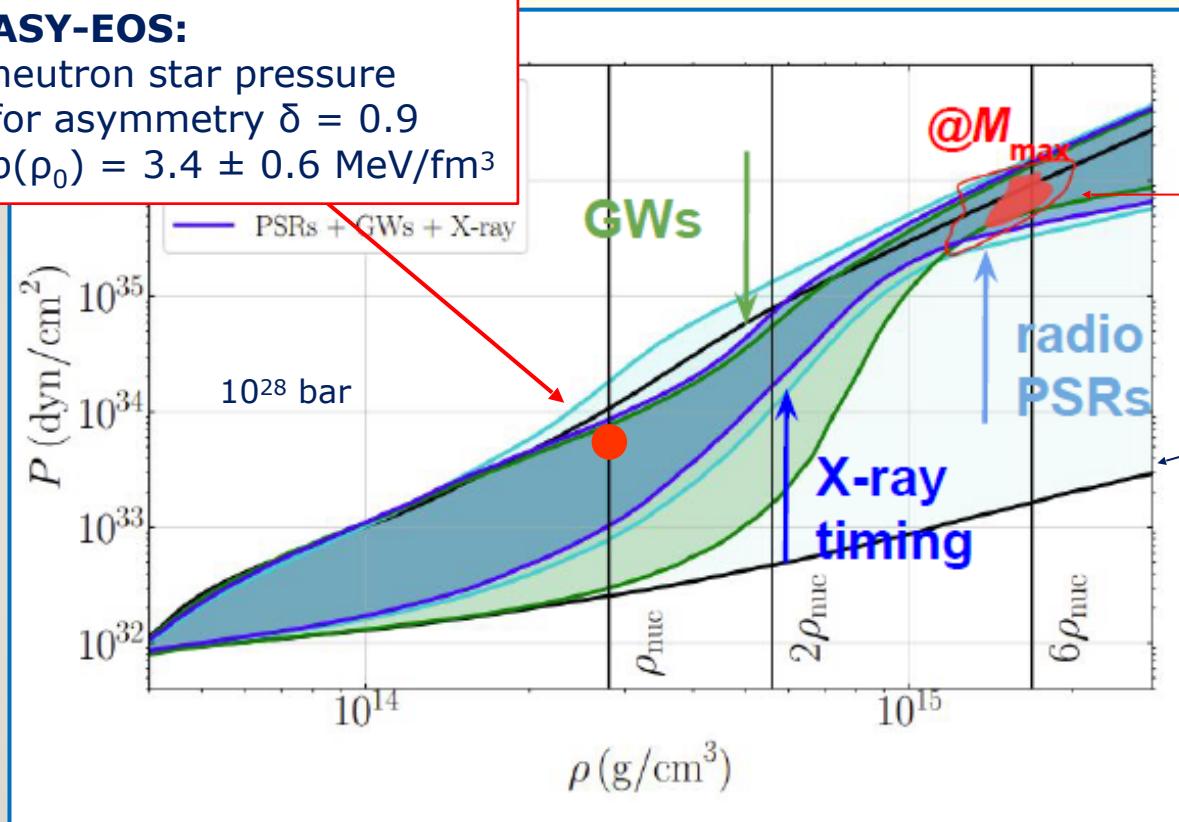
model-agnostic prior

red contours from mass $2.08 M_{\text{sun}}$ and radius for **PSR J0740+6620**

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ASY-EOS:

neutron star pressure
for asymmetry $\delta = 0.9$
 $p(\rho_0) = 3.4 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV/fm}^3$



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Huth et al., Nature 606 (2022): χ EFT prior + HIC + astro

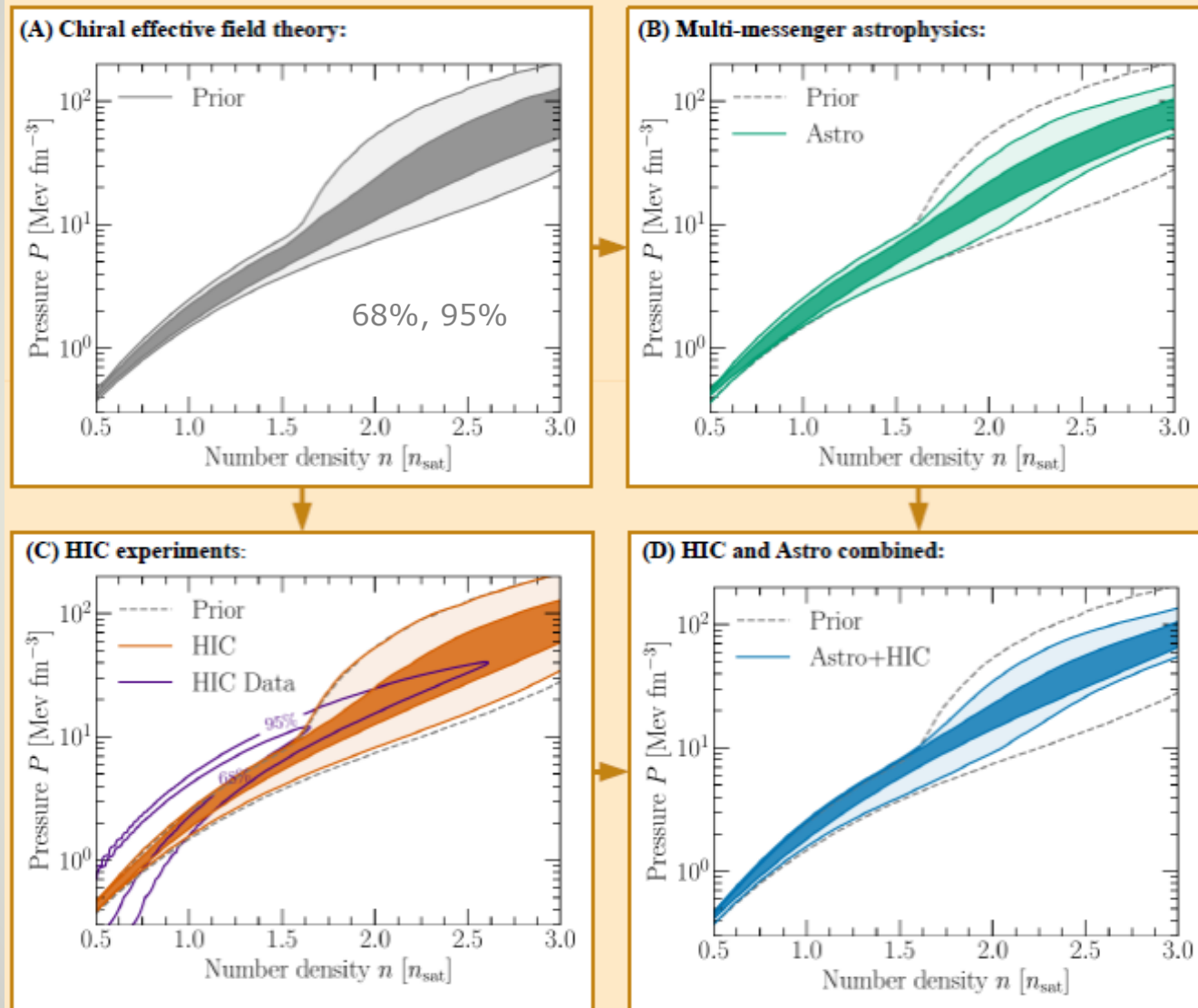


Fig. 1
neutron star
matter

contours at
68% and 95%
credibility

prior:

χ EFT up to $1.5 \rho_0$
 c_s extension
 $M_{\text{max}} \geq 1.9 M_{\text{sun}}$

astro:

GW170817
+kilonova
GW190425
NICER 2 stars
XMM-Newton
 $M_{\text{max}} \leq 2.17 M_{\text{sun}}$

HIC:

PNM: ASY-EOS
SNM: FOPI, AGS

ASY-EOS II in March 2025



Angelo Pagano: The main aim of the ASY-EOS consists of strengthening the link of our scientific community and its engagement in fundamental and basic nuclear physics research to other cultural resources available in our Sicilian territory.





2012 Siracusa

Public Session on **Archimede**
Introduction by Angelo Pagano
and
Panel Discussion with
Angelo Pagano

ASY-EOS-2012 INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP
NUCLEAR SYMMETRY ENERGY AND REACTION MECHANISMS



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Convegno di Studi **Eureka!**

**Creatività, genio e mistero in Archimede.
Alle radici della scienza moderna**

Auditorium

**Museo Archeologico Regionale "Paolo Orsi"
Siracusa**

Siracusa 6 Settembre 2012
Ore 16,00/20,00



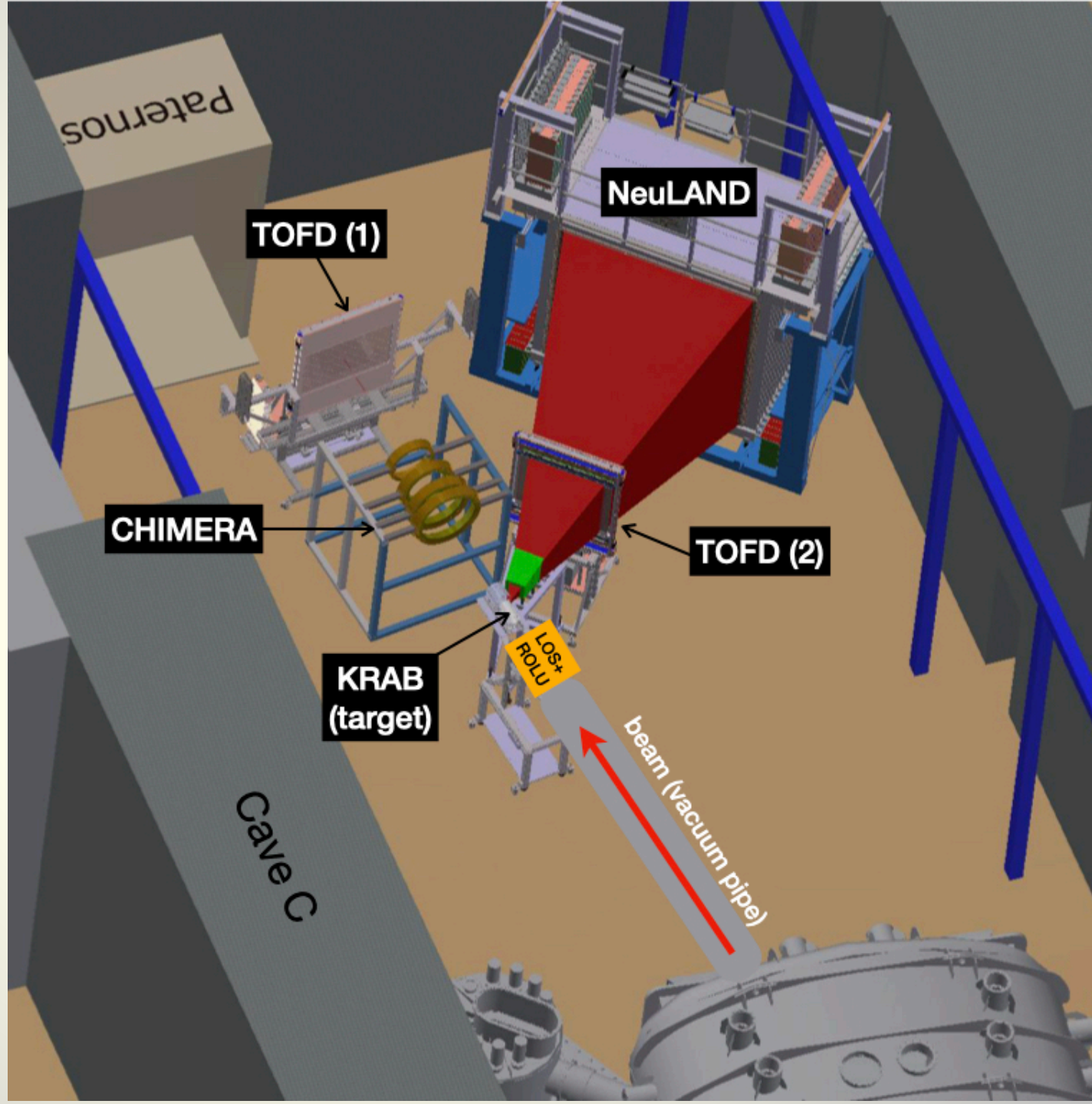


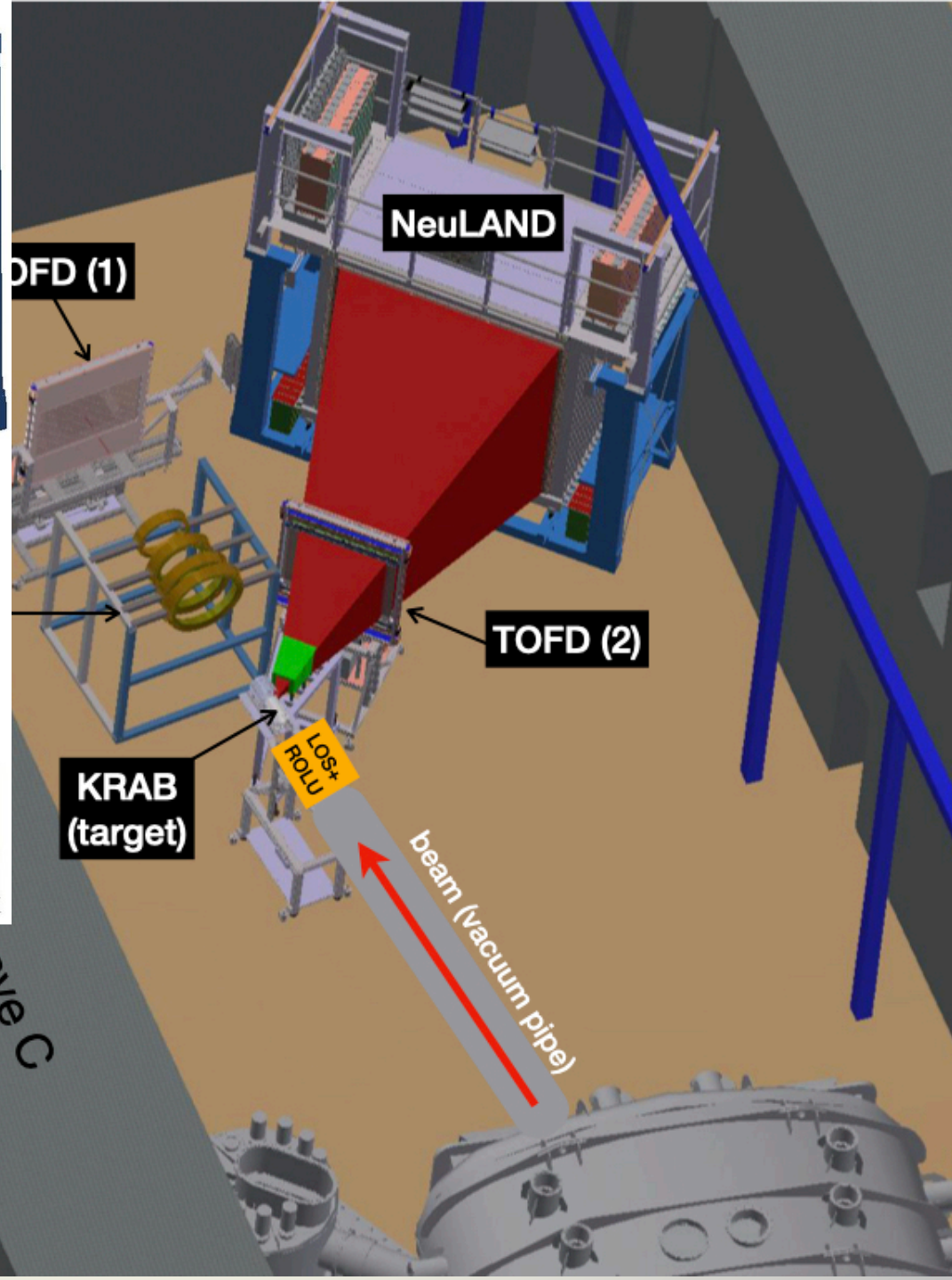
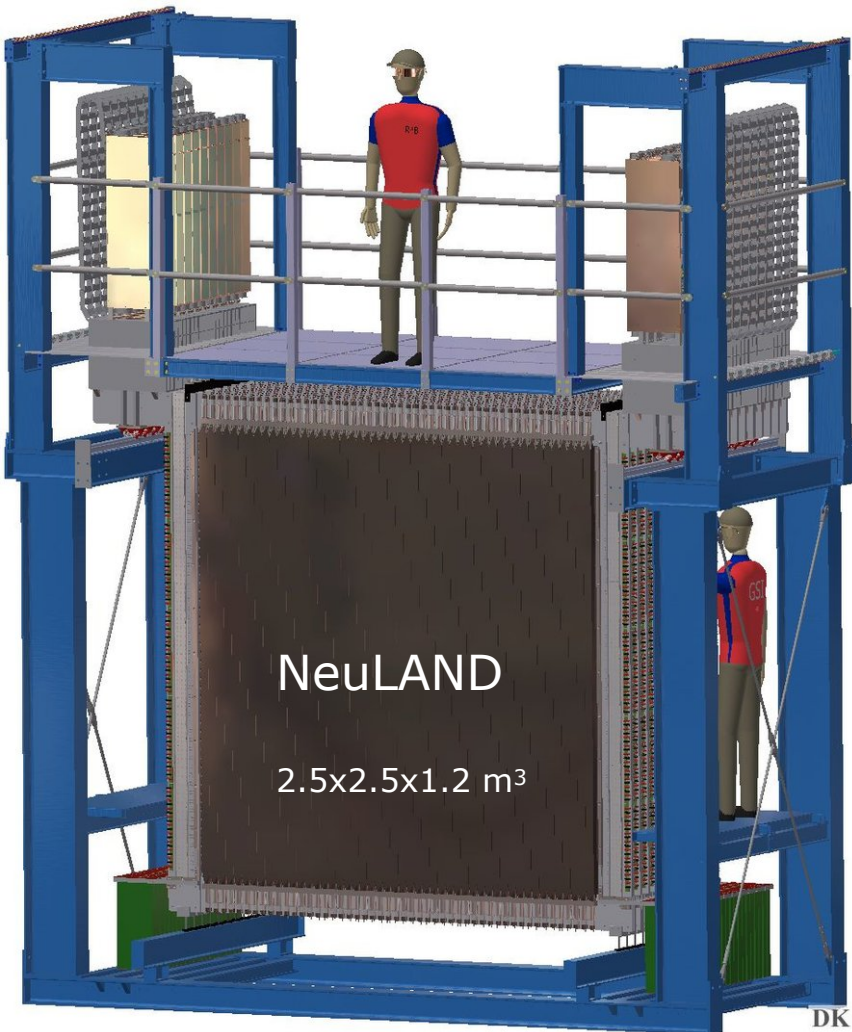
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December 2017
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Caltagirone

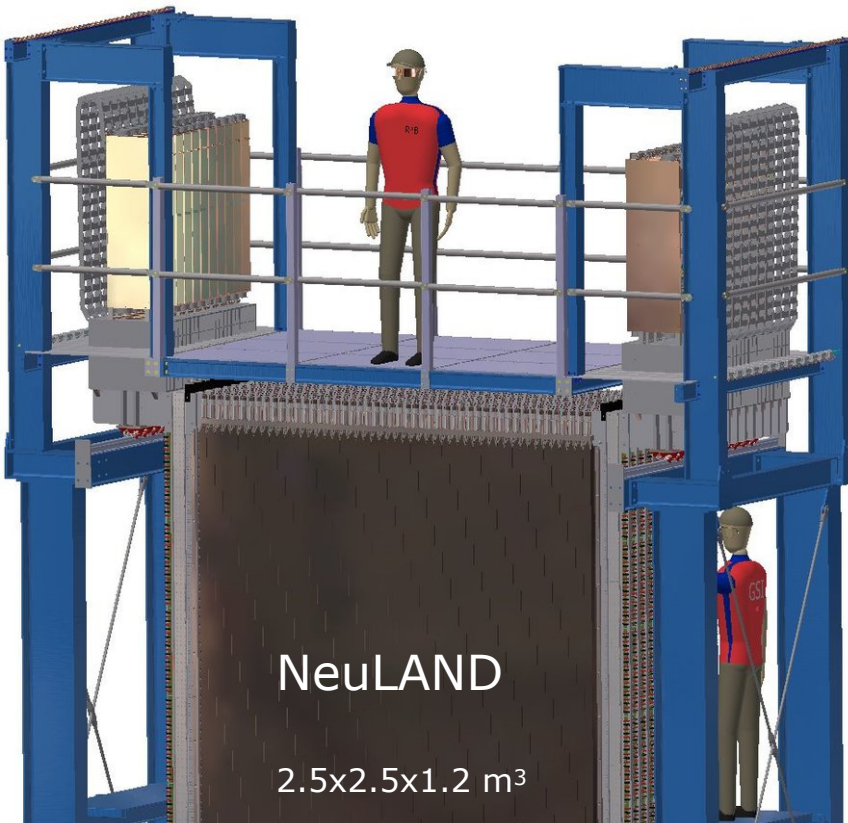
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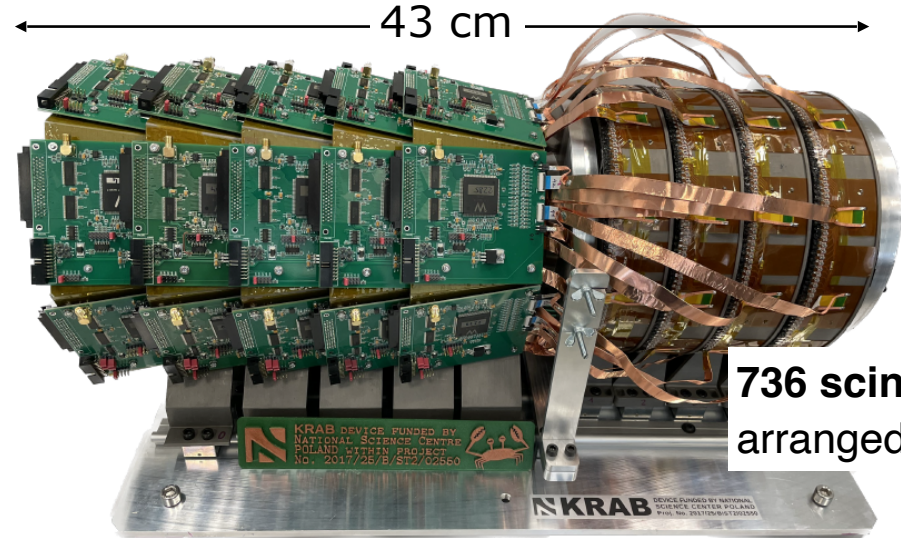


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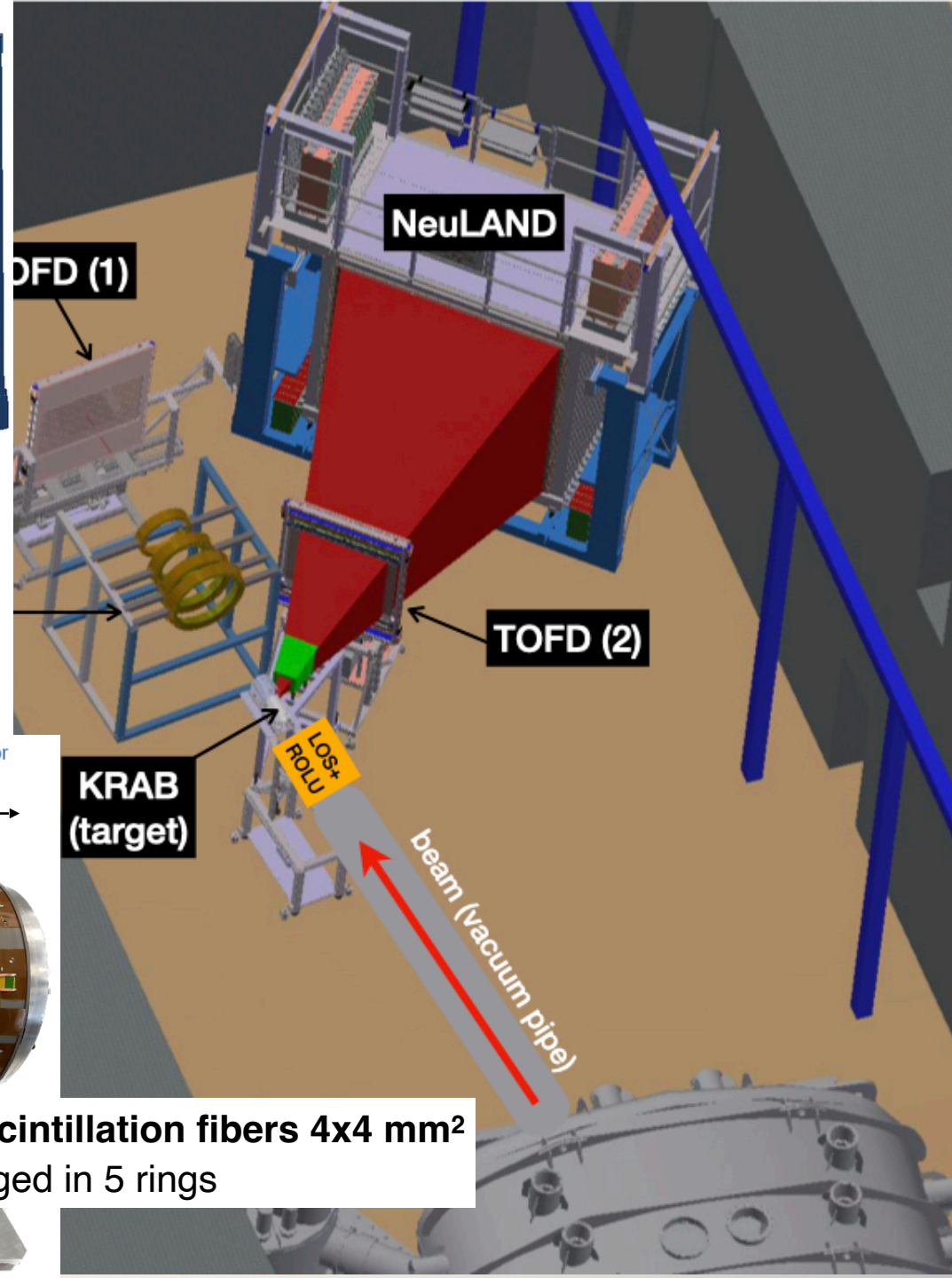


KRAB multiplicity trigger, reaction plane and centrality detector for the ASYFOS II experiment at GSI/FAIR

43 cm



736 scintillation fibers 4x4 mm² arranged in 5 rings



December 18, 2018

FAIR construction site

Roberto Bassini



December 18, 2018

