



# ELDG Update: Sub-atomic physics in Canada

Canadian SAP Long-range  
Plan and TRIUMF 20-year  
Vision

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# The view from Canada

- Who are the Canadian Sub-Atomic Physics (SAP) community?
  - Academic community: University faculty, laboratory researchers
  - Community institutions: Canadian Institute for Nuclear Physics (CINP), Institute for Particle Physics (IPP), McDonald Institute (MI)
  - Laboratories / Platforms: TRIUMF, SNOLAB, Perimeter Institute
  - Funders: Tri-Councils (NSERC), Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), National Research Council, Provinces
- National plans are evergreen documents across both community and facilities
- The Canadian community has completed it's five-year long range plan for 2022-2026 (and beyond)
  - <https://subatomicphysics.ca/>



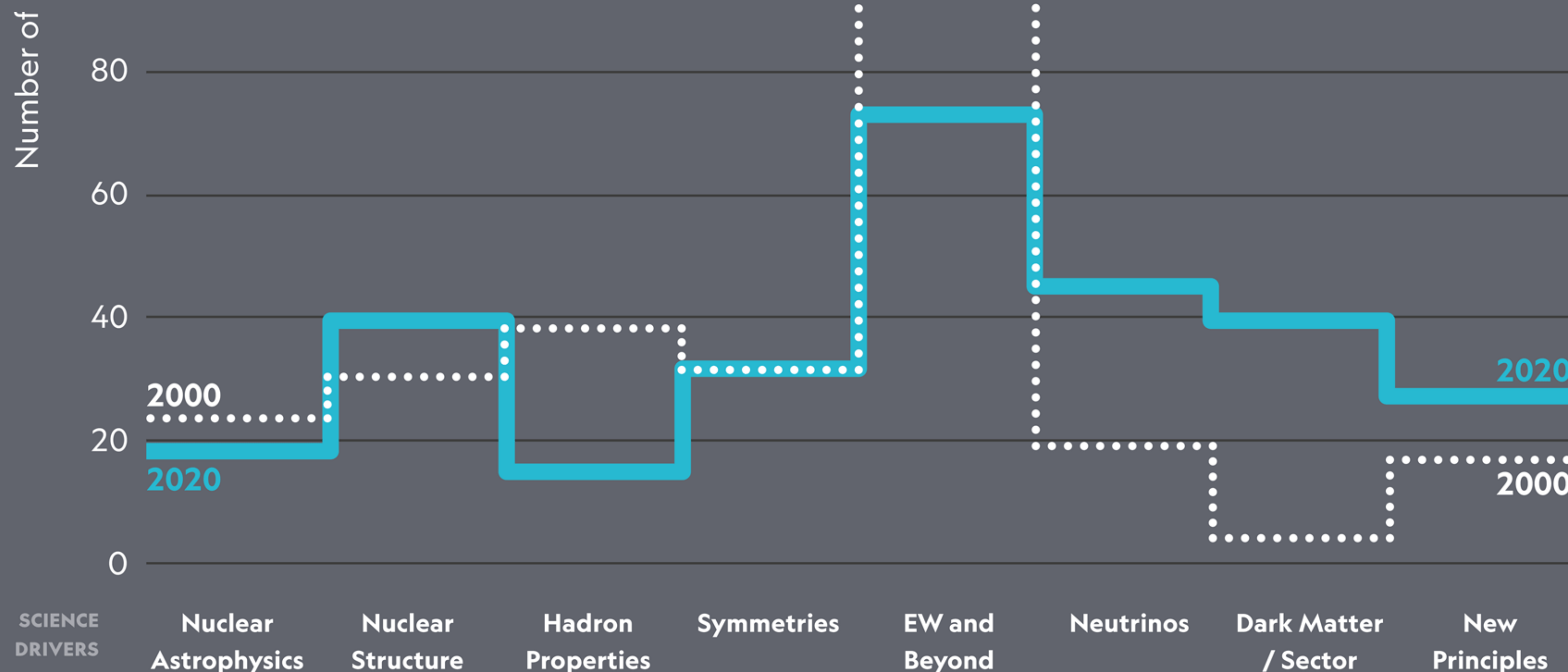
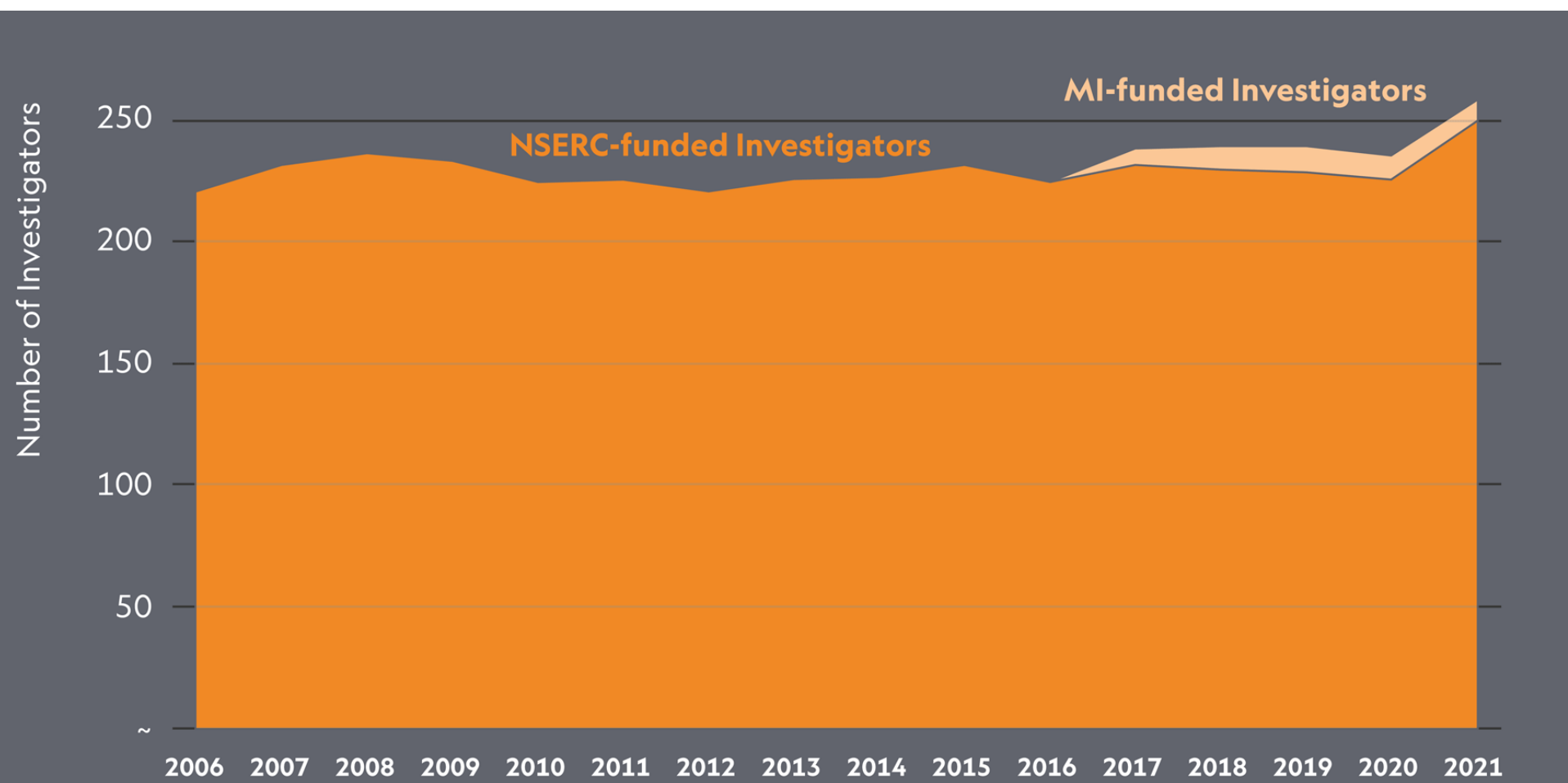
# Canadian Sub-atomic Physics (SAP) Community

- Canada funding structures support ‘sub-atomic physics’ covering HEP, NP, APP
- Coast to coast academic capability
- Canada uses a faculty driven ‘bottom-up’ approach to projects and infrastructure; grant-driven approach to research





# Canadian Sub-atomic Physics (SAP) Community

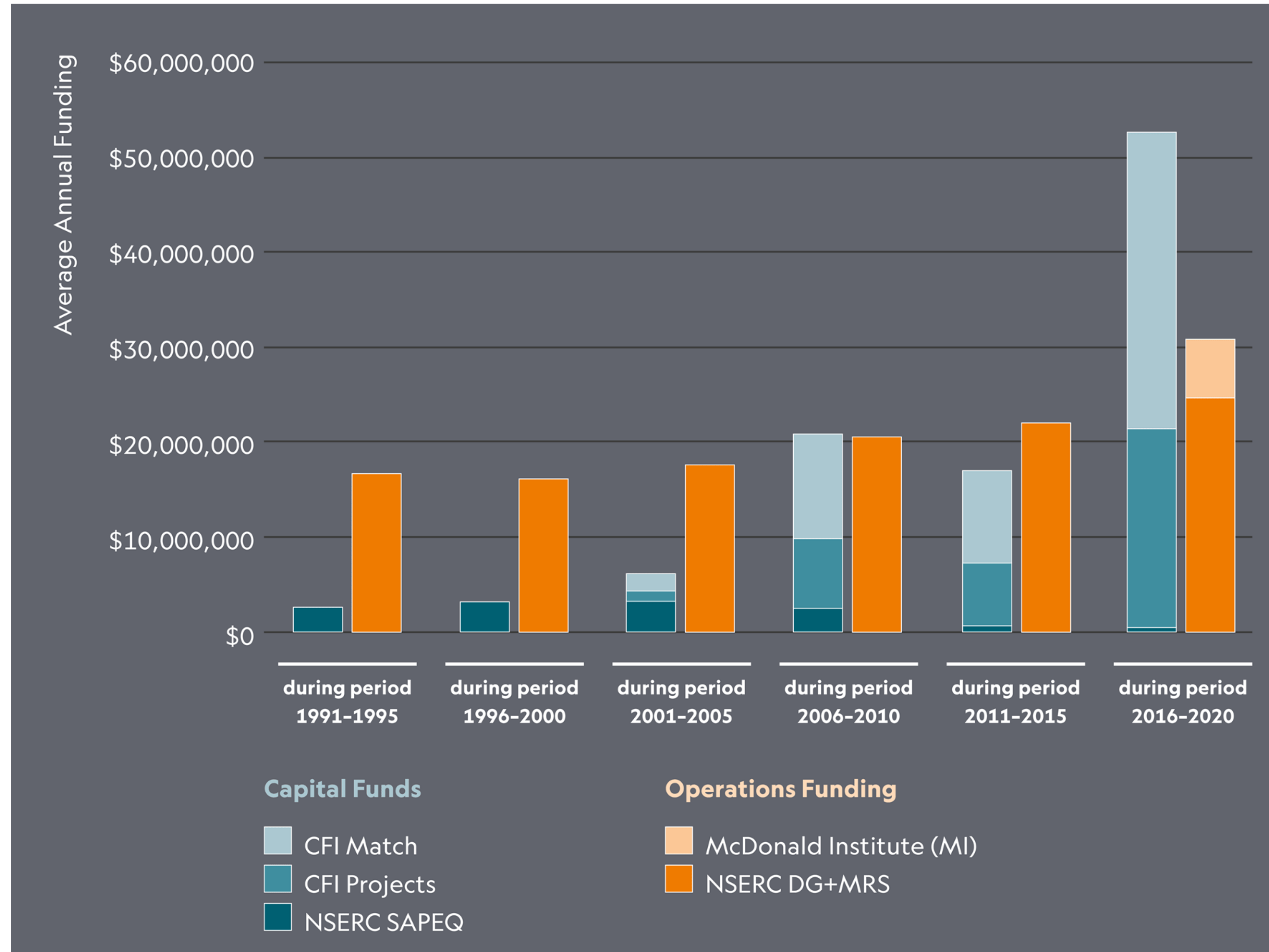


- Community of about 250 principal investigators<sup>4</sup>
- Some transition over the last two decades away from 'EW and beyond' towards neutrino and dark matter studies
- Reflects growth of the SNOLAB programme



# Canadian Sub-atomic Physics (SAP) Community

- Substantial growth in support to SAP programme, primarily through great success in capital requests through CFI (Canada Foundation for Innovation - still uses a bottom-up approach to resource allocation)
- McDonald Institute also provided substantial input over last five years (funding model changing)

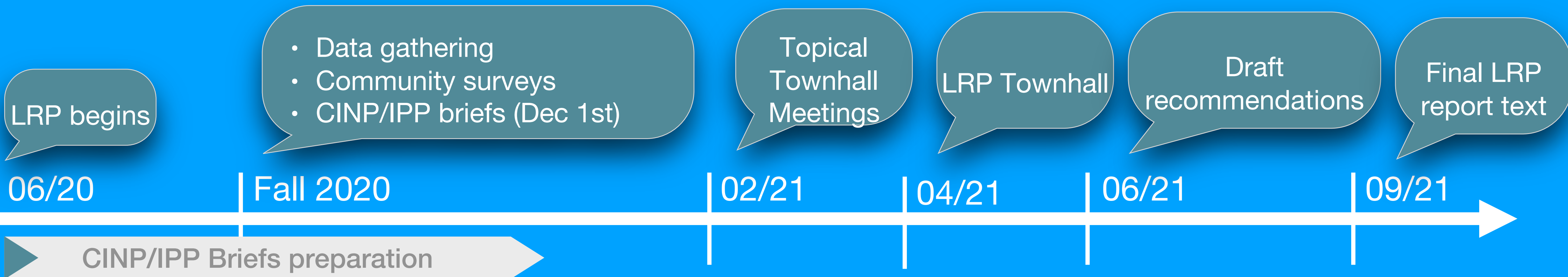




# Canadian SAP Long Range Plan

- Aim to maximize Canadian impact in a global field, given limited resources...
- The LRP report informs funding agencies of the community's priorities for the field; however, funding agencies still hold broad peer-reviewed funding competitions.
- The report communicates to international partners (and policy makers) the Canadian plans and priorities, and resource requirements.
- An inclusive planning process that helps to strengthen and coordinate the Canadian SAP community.

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# Science Drivers

- Three broad areas of research encompass eight science drivers of the Canadian programme
  - Beyond the electroweak scale
  - Matter in the weakly coupled Universe
  - From quarks and gluons to nuclei

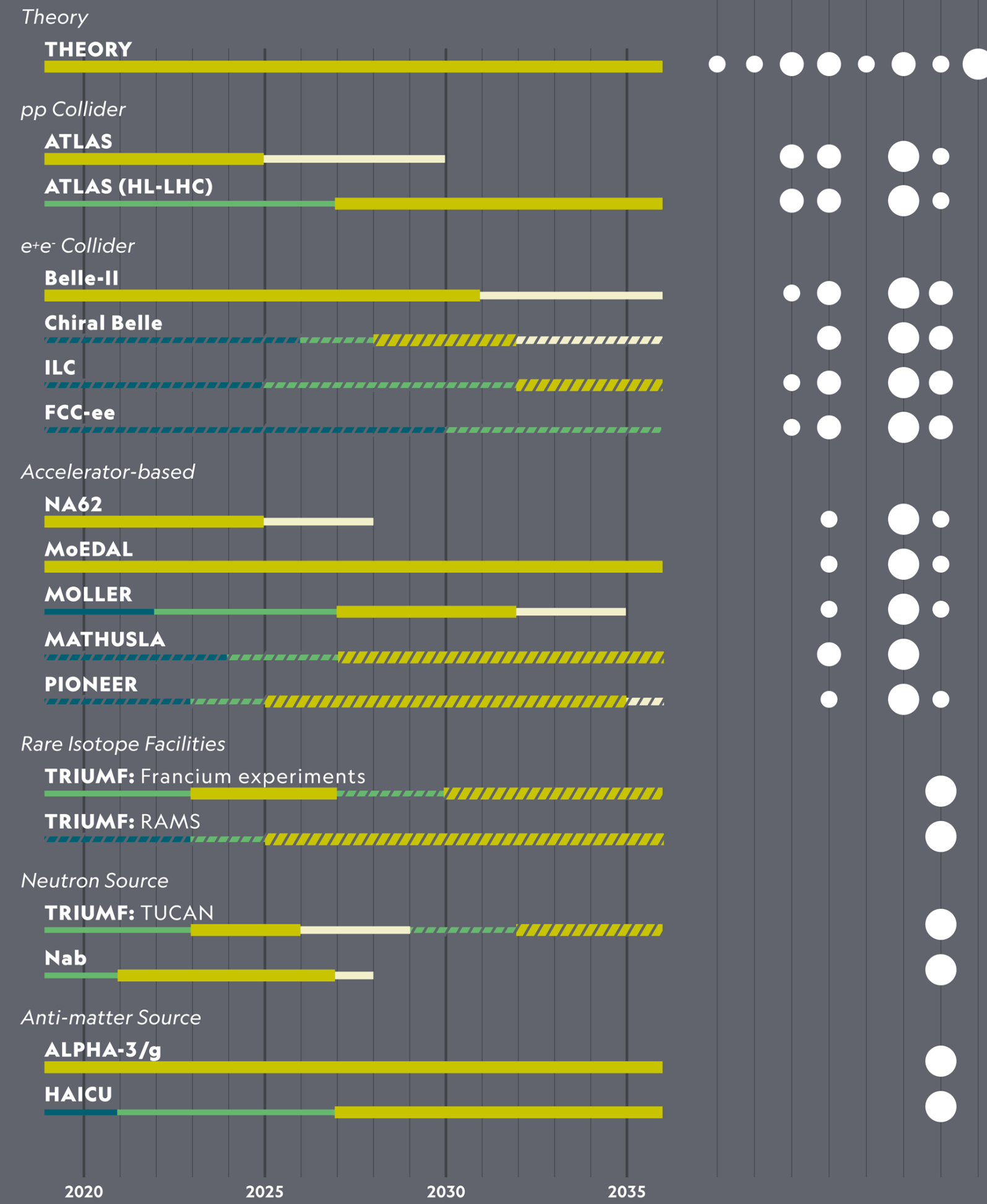




# BEYOND THE ELECTROWEAK SCALE



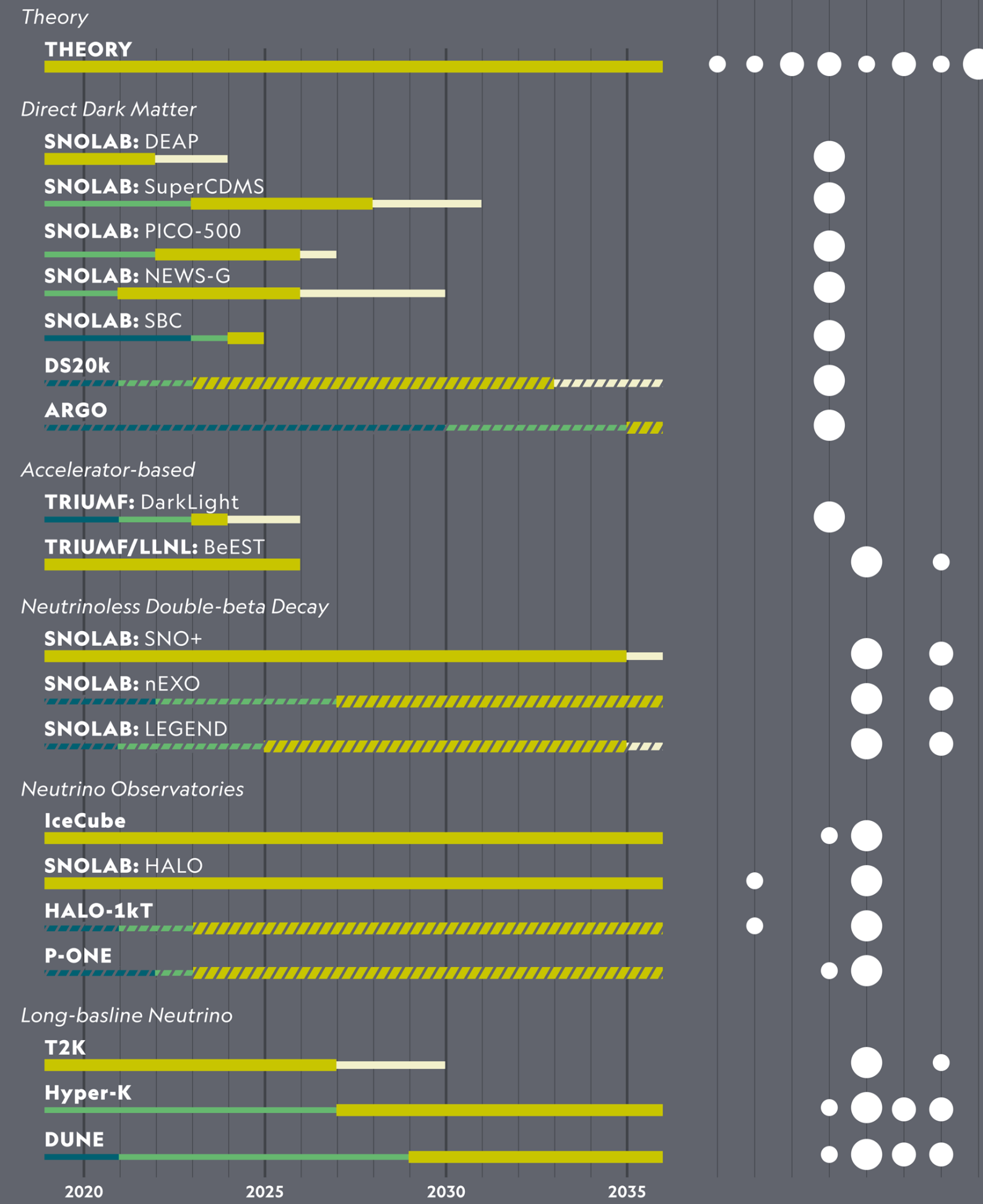
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 New Principles



# MATTER IN THE WEAKLY COUPLED UNIVERSE



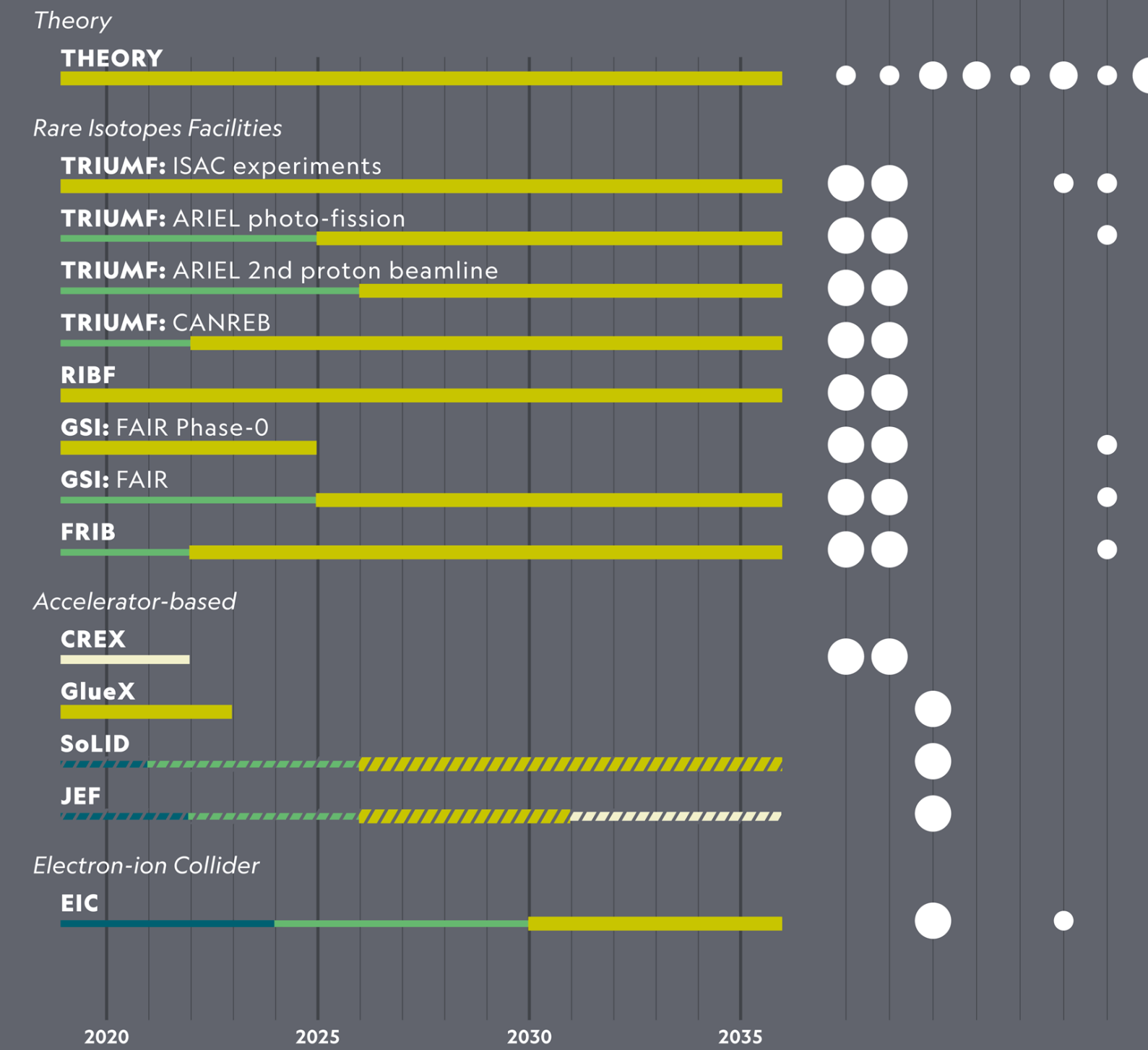
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# Underpinning national capabilities

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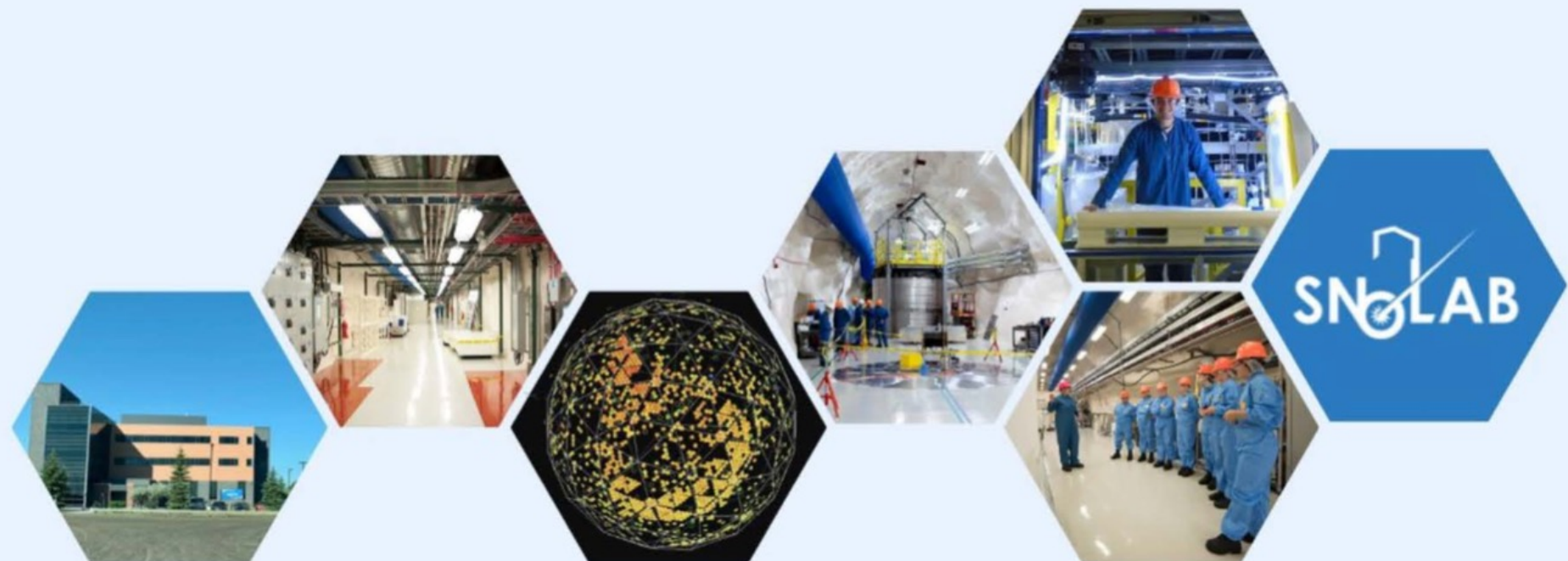
- Canadian research programme is supported by several institutions and laboratories, all having national and international relevance
  - TRIUMF - Canada's particle accelerator centre, centred on the 520 MeV cyclotron and ISOL targets, additional capability being installed. Supports detector development, data management and science, medical isotopes
    - Acts as conduit for investment in international commitments (eg HL-LHC)
  - SNOLAB - Canada's deep underground research facility. 2km depth, lowest cosmic ray background in the world, broadening science programme around low background science
  - Perimeter Institute - theoretical physics institute supporting research threads across several drivers (Quantum, PP, strong gravity and cosmology)



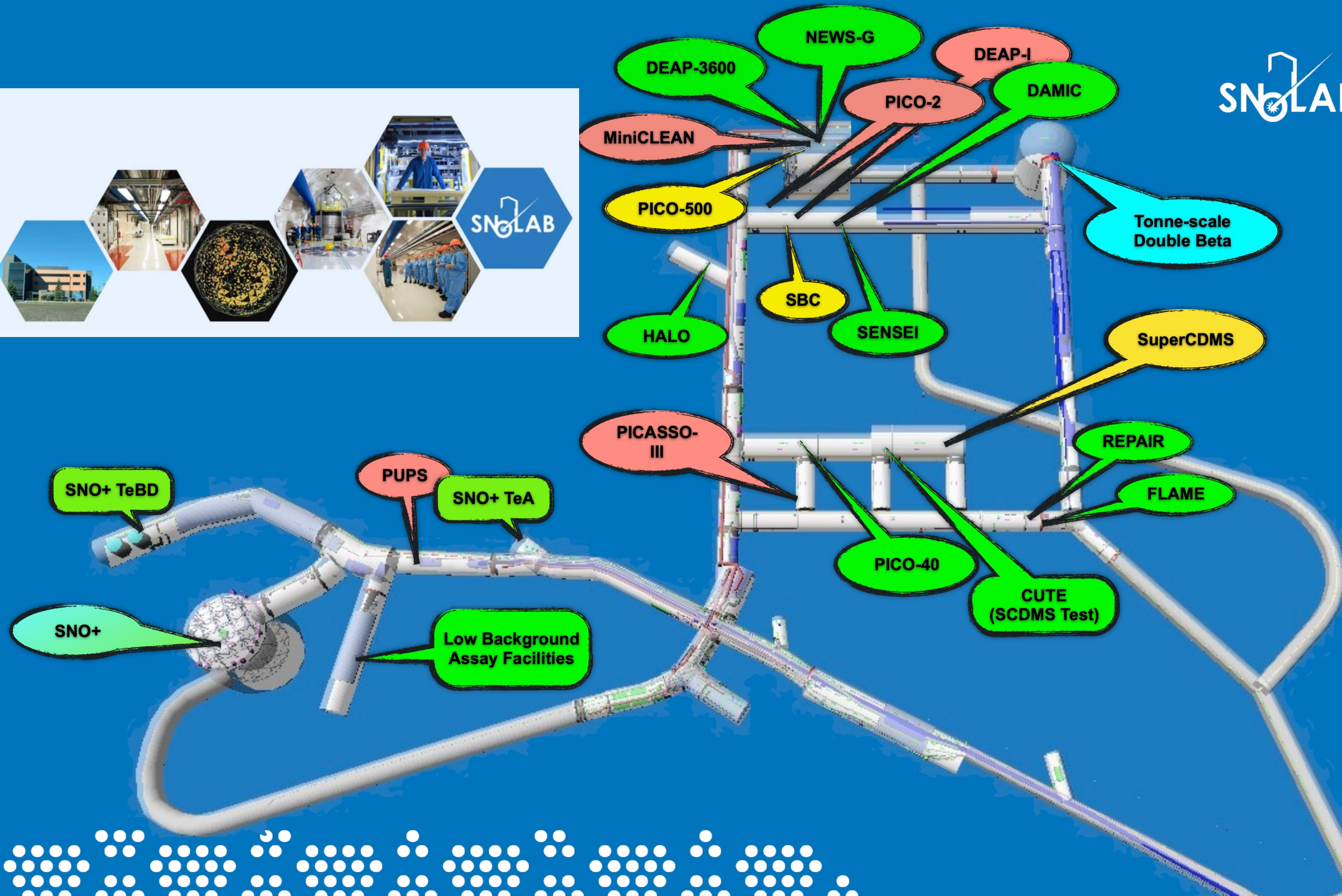
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years of SNOLAB science

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SNOLAB





# TRIUMF Accelerator Centre

**TRIUMF is Canada's particle accelerator centre.** We are a world-class hub of research, education, and innovation that is home to ~600 staff and students

Founded in 1968 by the University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, and the University of Victoria, TRIUMF is a cornerstone of Canada's innovation ecosystem, driving impact locally, nationally, and around the world





# Discovery, accelerated.

TRIUMF has recently developed its governance structure to an incorporated not-for profit (charitable), with membership from Canadian universities. All associate member universities have transitioned to full members.

## Member Universities:

University of Alberta  
University of British Columbia  
University of Calgary  
Carleton University  
University of Guelph  
University of Manitoba  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
Université de Montréal  
University of Northern  
British Columbia

Queen's University  
University of Regina  
Saint Mary's University  
Université de Sherbrooke  
Simon Fraser University  
University of Toronto  
University of Victoria  
University of Waterloo  
Western University  
University of Winnipeg  
York University





**A global leader in discovery science, delivering breakthroughs that unlock the deepest mysteries of the universe**

Strengthening Canada's leadership in groundbreaking particle and nuclear physics



**A world-class accelerator centre driving use-inspired research – from the life sciences to quantum and green technologies**

Leveraging our unique infrastructure to pursue research in Canada that will change the world



**An inclusive multidisciplinary talent incubator, attracting and developing the best people from around the world**

Producing Canada's future science leaders and innovators



**A leader in a flourishing national Big Science ecosystem**

Catalyzing the success and growth of Canada's network of major research facilities



**A national innovation hub translating discovery science into health and sustainability solutions**

Responding nimbly to complex societal challenges for the benefit of Canadians

# TRIUMF's Research Programme - our 20-year vision

- In summer 2022, TRIUMF has completed the 20-year vision process to define longer term planning requirements (TRIUMF is funded in five-year cycles and the next funding proposal is presently being developed)
- An 18-month process engaging a broad research and stakeholder community, leading to five core themes
- All previous work leading to the Vision is available on the [TRIUMF web site](#)
- Includes input from focus groups, interim pillars and themes, and theme development



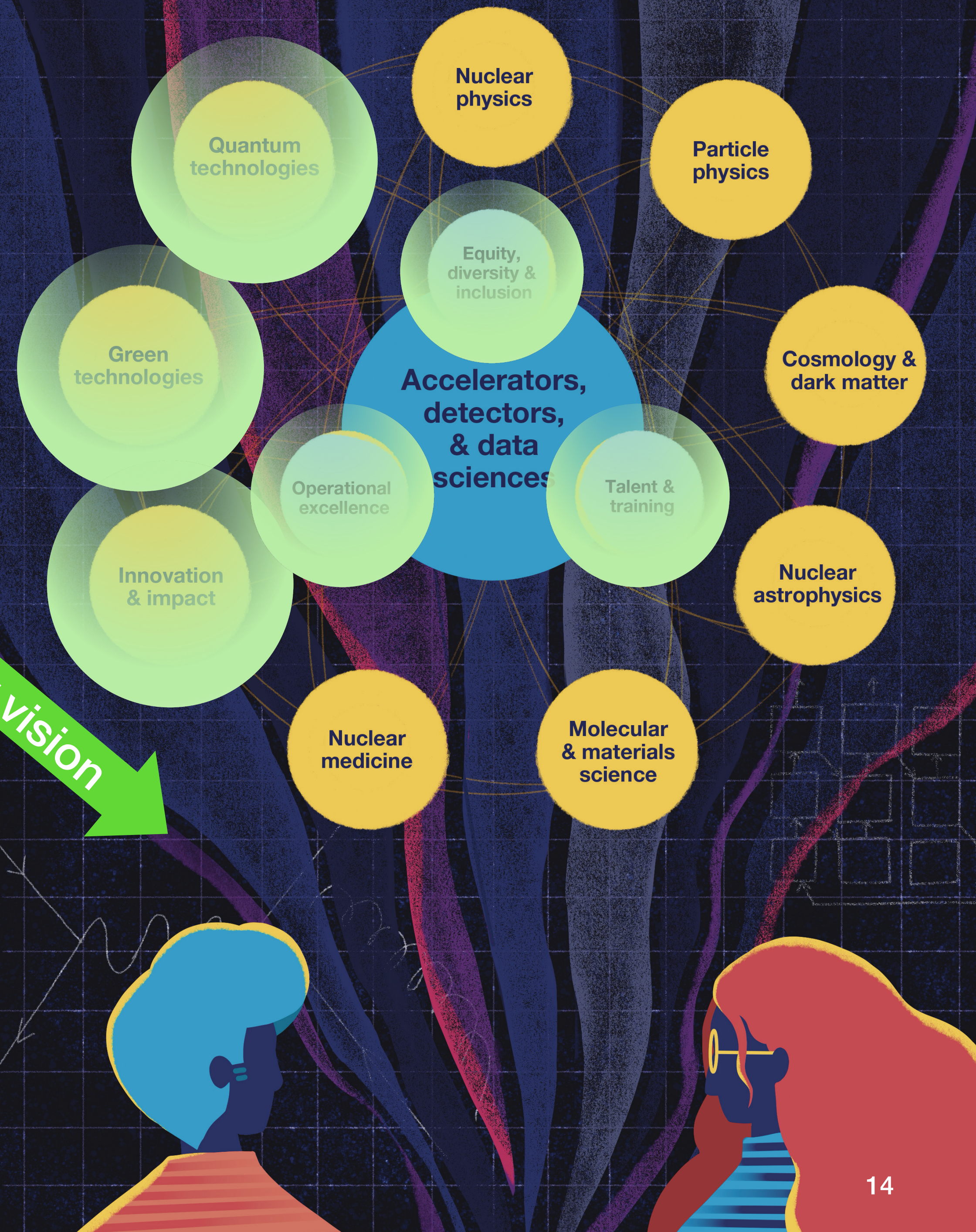
Outer Space

Inner Space



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20-year vision



- Core themes remain on nuclear / particle physics and life / material science
- Additional themes to be developed around green and quantum technologies
- Innovation and societal benefit called out directly
- Strengthened focus on EDI, our people and operational excellence as enablers



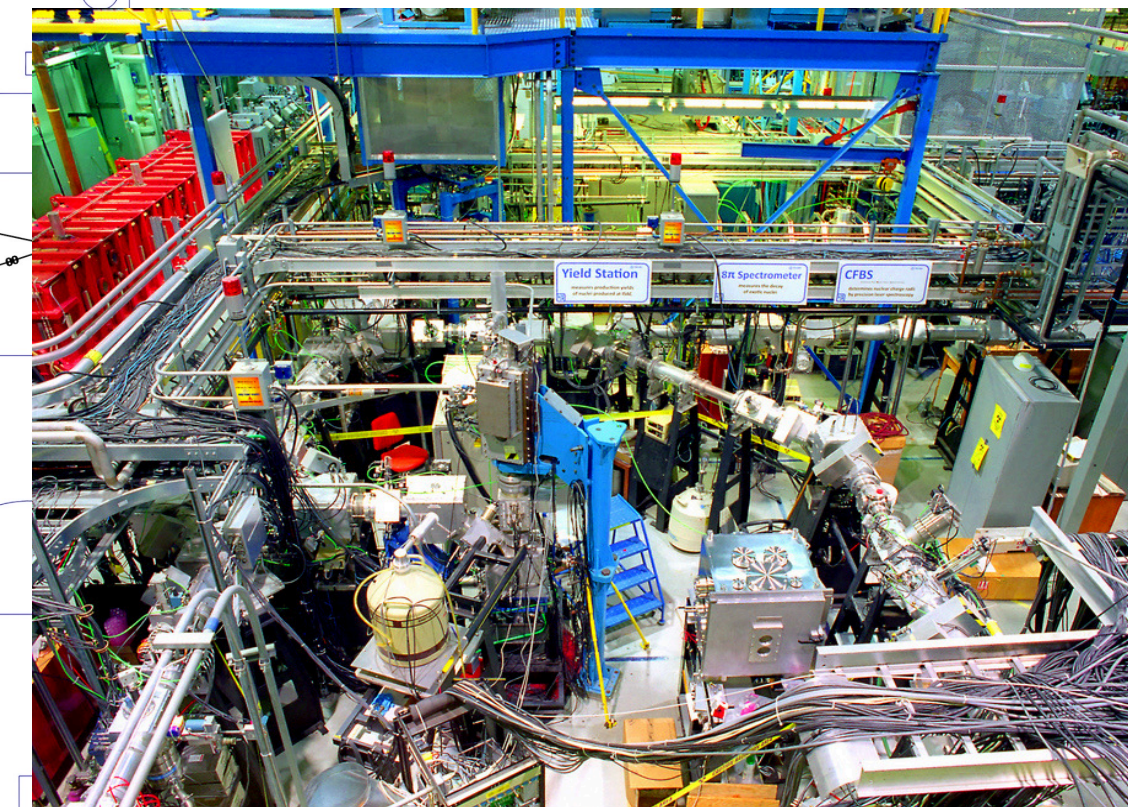
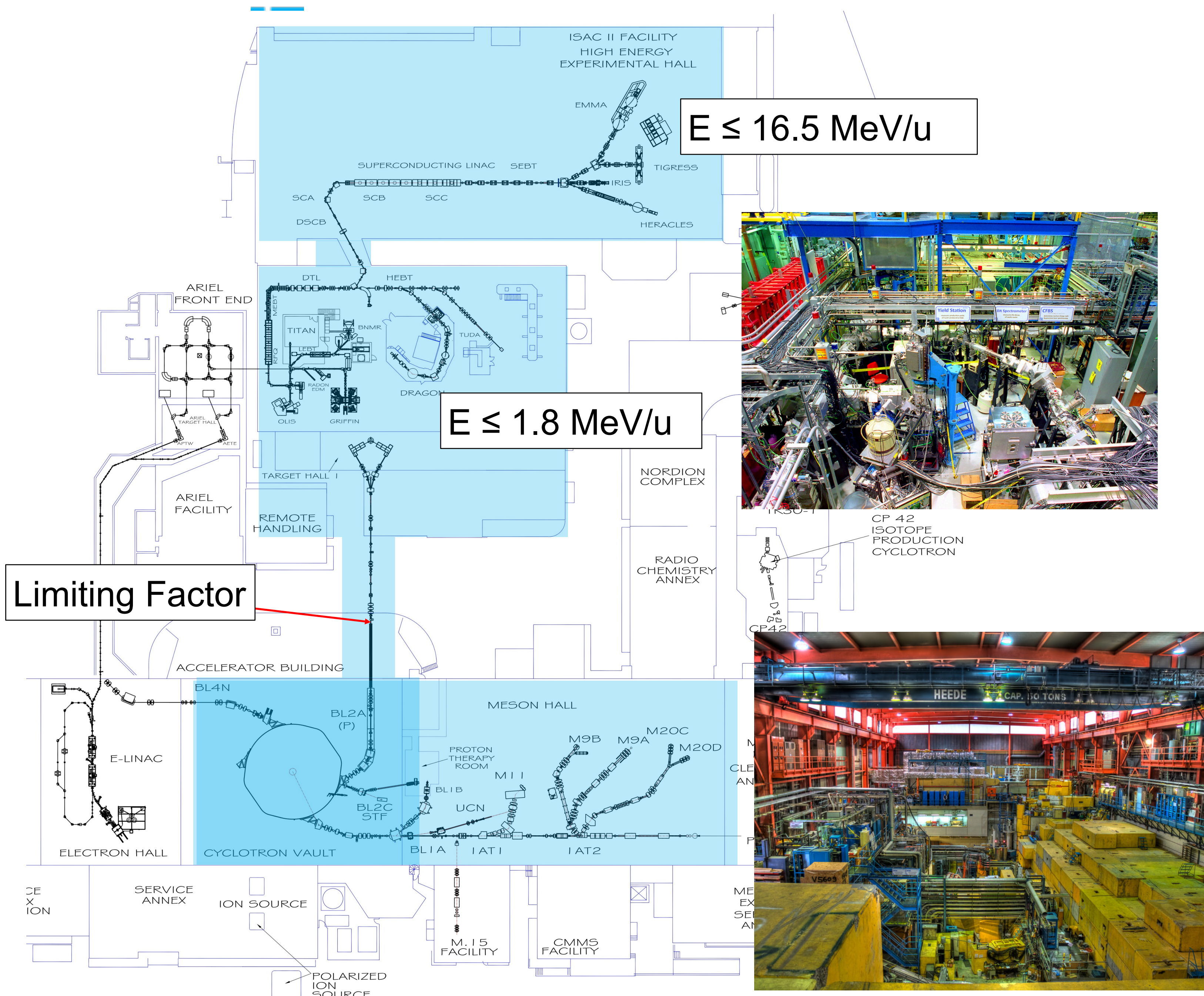
# TRIUMF's Accelerators

## Beamline 2A

- ISAC I Facility
  - Nuclear Astrophysics
  - Electroweak Physics
  - Materials Science  $\beta$ NMR
  - Life Science  $\beta$ NMR
- ISAC II Facility
  - Nuclear Structure

## Beamlines 1A, 1B, 2C

- Materials Science  $\mu$ SR
- Ultra Cold Neutron Facility
- Isotope Production
- Irradiation Services
- (Proton Therapy)



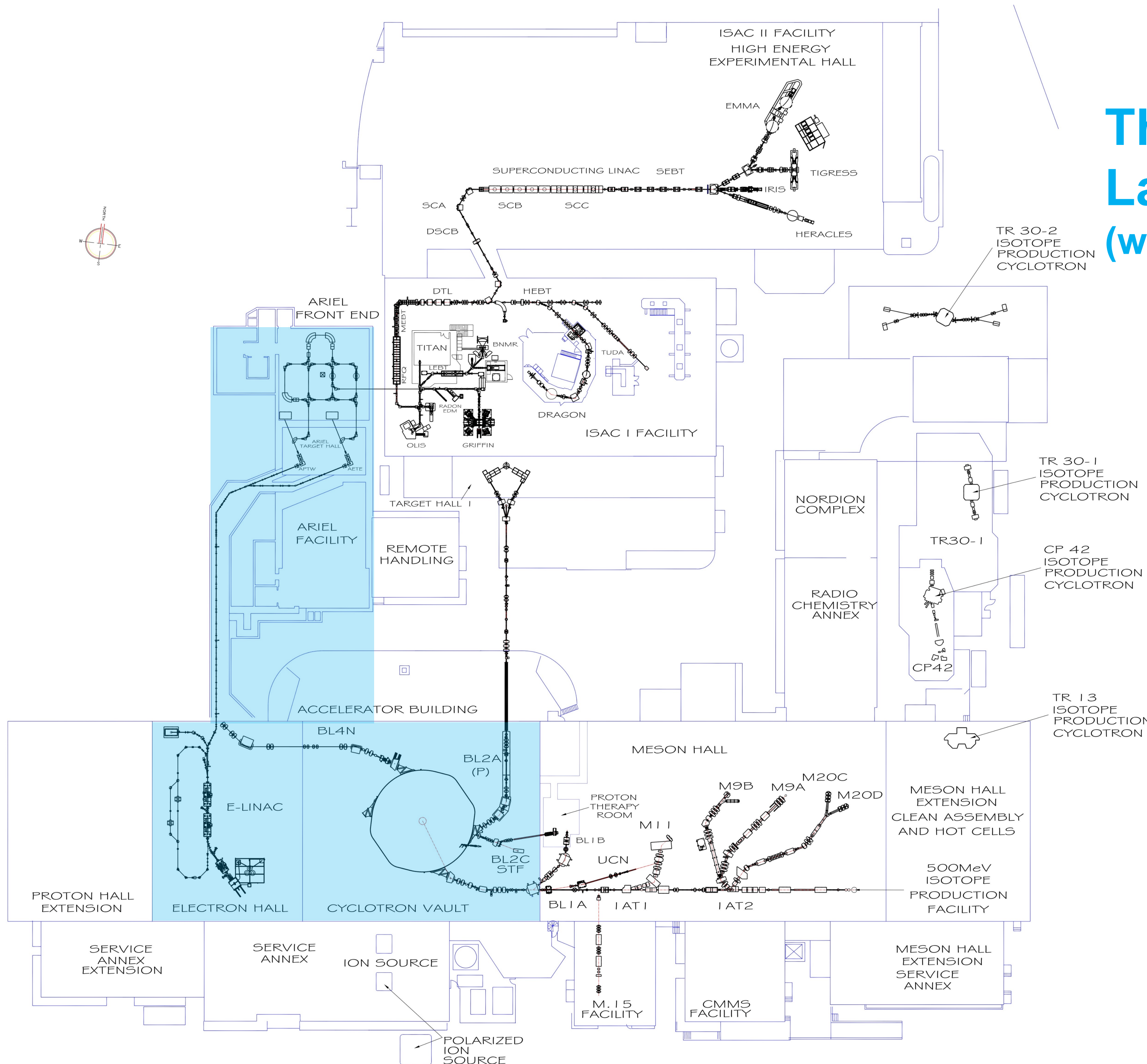


# TRIUMF's Accelerators

## The Advanced Rare Isotope Laboratory – ARIEL

(will start operation within the next LRP)

- Multi-user, multi-disciplinary RIB Facility
- Intense, clean RIB beams into ISAC experiments (from 2027 on)
  - New 30 MeV 300 kW super-conducting CW electron linac
  - New electron beamline and 100 kW target station
  - New 50 kW proton beamline and target station

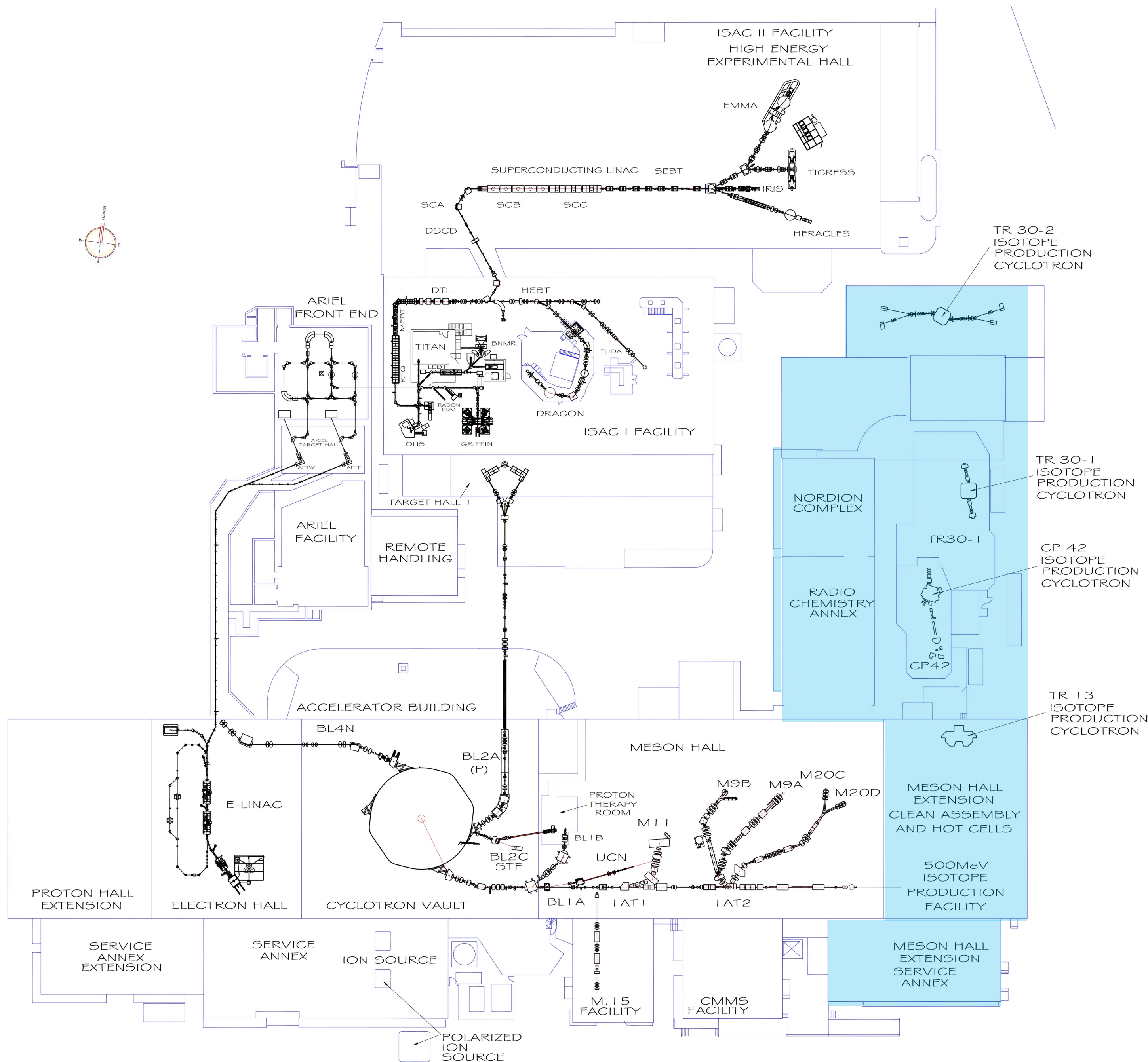




# TRIUMF's Accelerators

## Nuclear Medicine

- Five H<sup>-</sup> medical cyclotrons (including new IAMI TR 24)
- Isotope production and R&D
- Radiochemistry
  - BWXT
  - ~2M doses annually
  - UBC
  - Centre for Brain Health

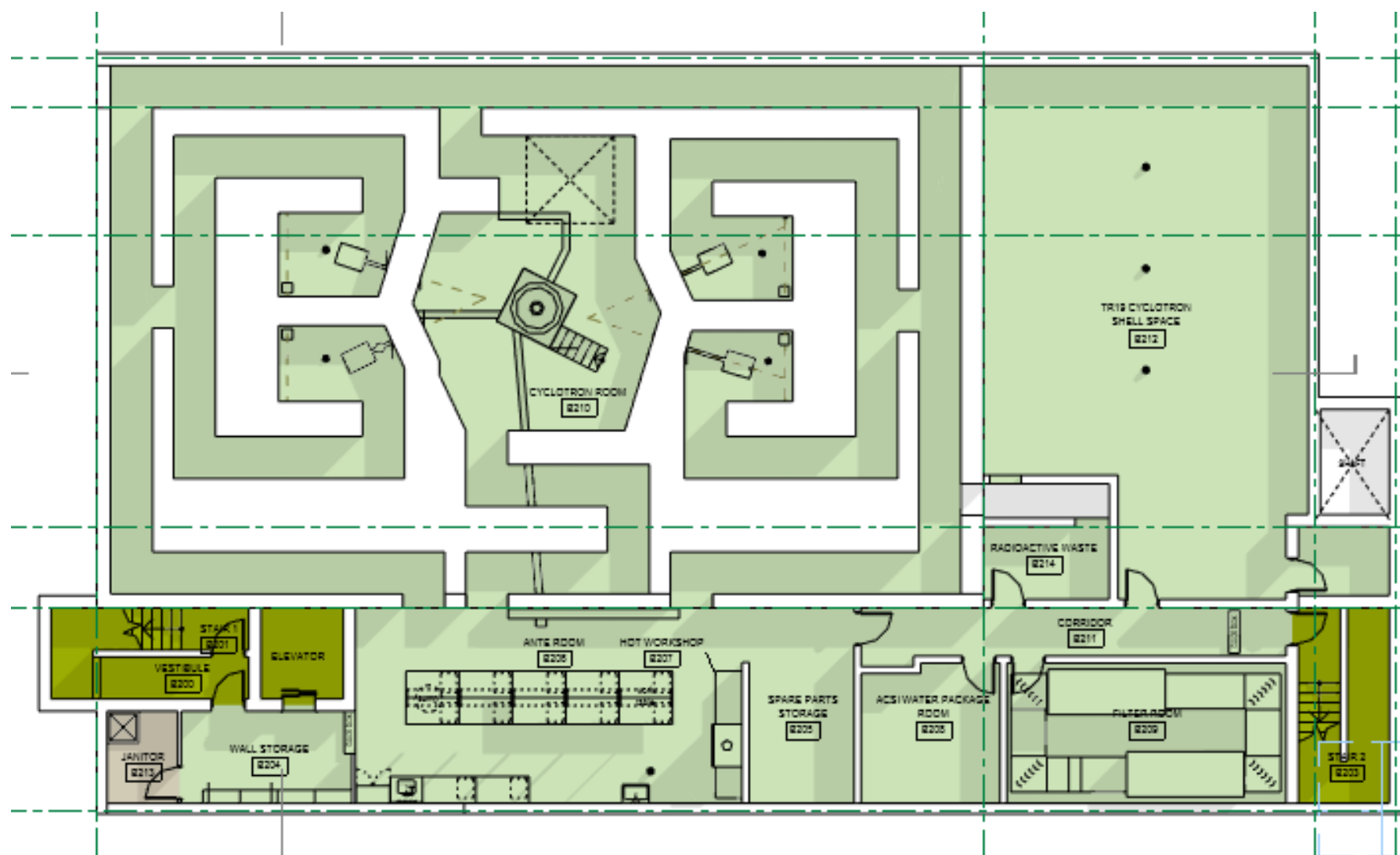




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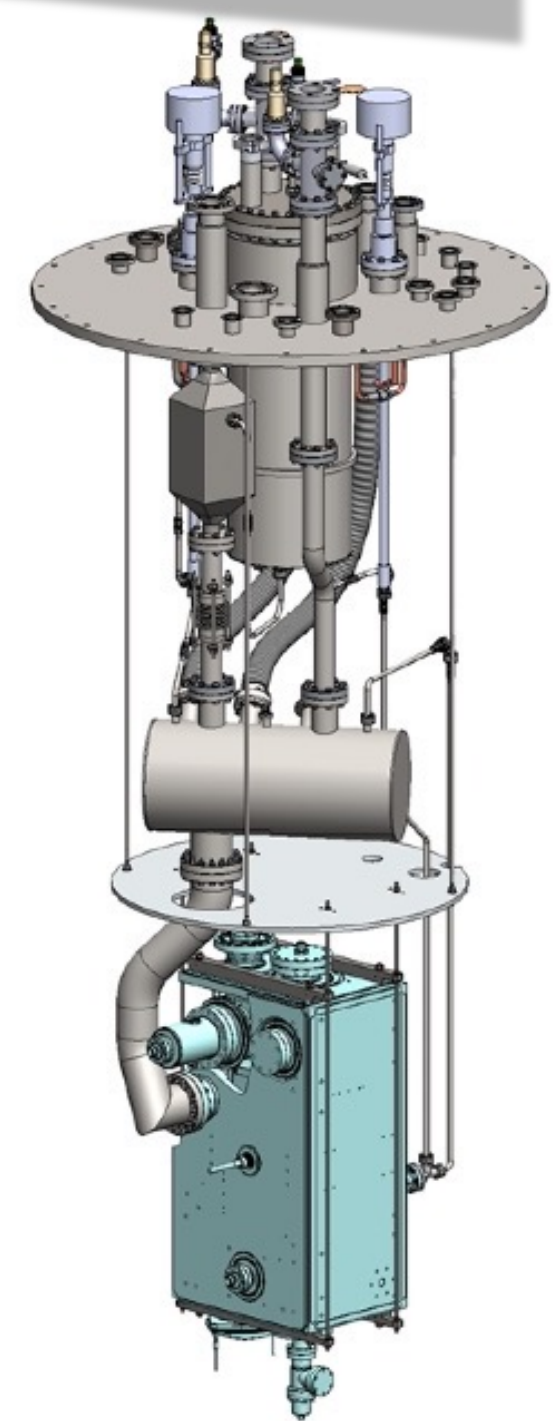
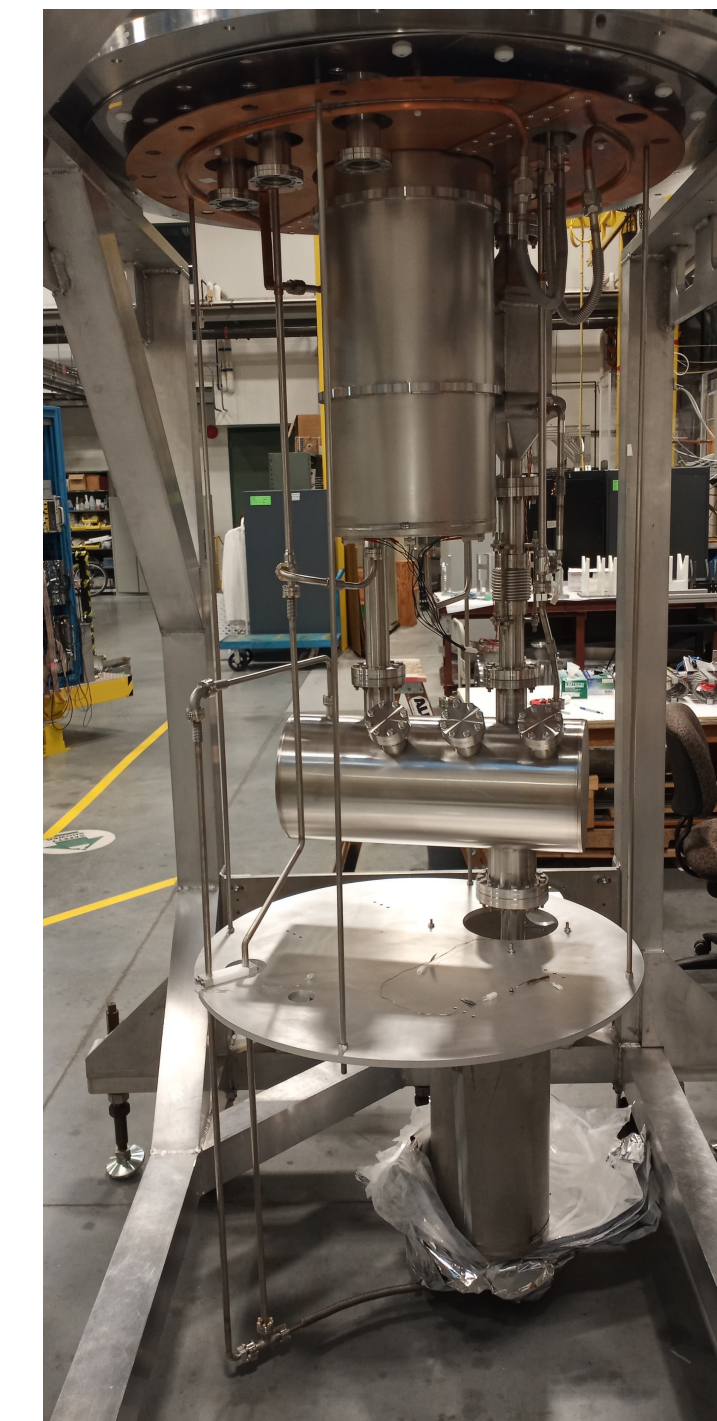
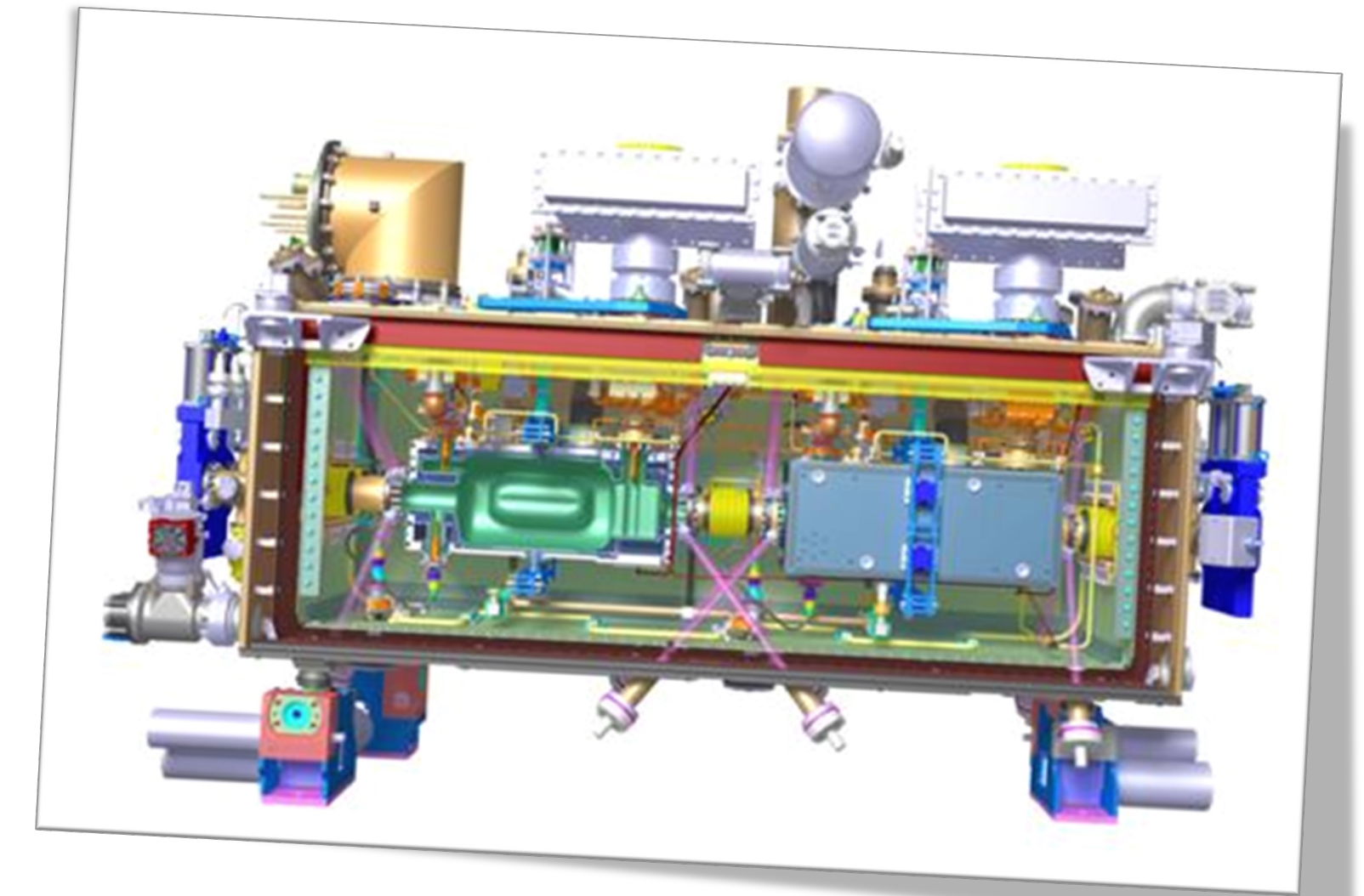
## Institute of Advanced Medical Isotope research – IAMI

- New \$50M facility to support production and research into next generation medical isotopes & radio-pharmaceuticals
  - Provides isotope security
  - Enables R&D + clinical trials
- Funding announced by Prime Minister on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018
  - Contributions from Federal and BC governments, BC Cancer, BC Cancer Foundation, UBC and TRIUMF
- Building substantial completion reached this past summer; soft commissioning underway



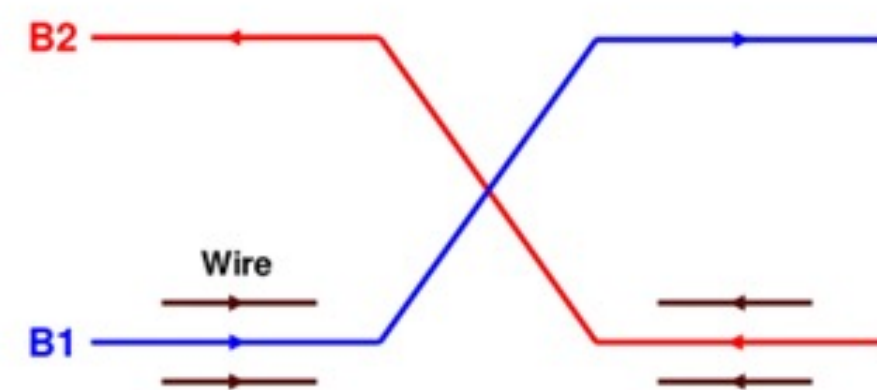
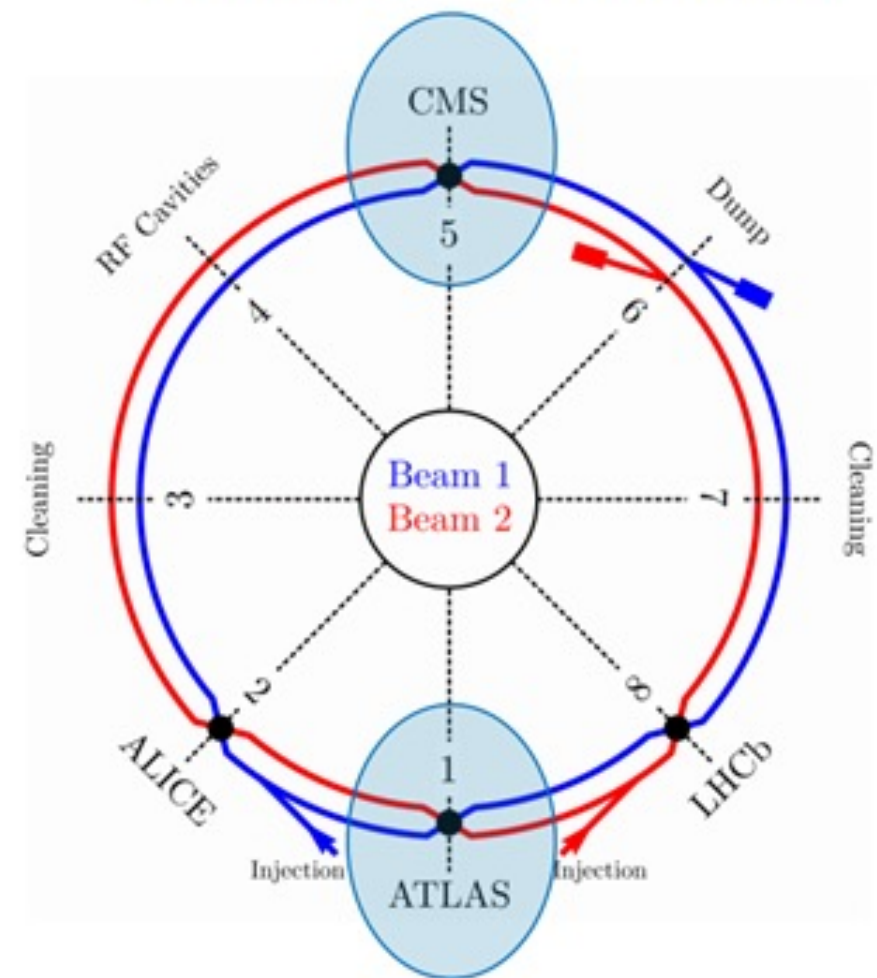


# Involvements international Accelerator projects – HL-LHC and in the future EIC



- HL-LHC crab cavity cryomodules
  - TRIUMF to work with CERN and UK colleagues to develop RF-Dipole (RFD) cryomodule design, assembly tooling and fixtures as well as assembly procedures

Wire compensators in collimators both beams



- TRIUMF multi-purpose test cryostat upgraded to allow qualification of RFD cavities at 2K → Ready for qualifying US AUP cavities!
  - Tender for cryomodule Outer Vacuum Chamber (OVC) released
- HL-LHC long range beam – beam effect → wire compensation simulation, wire design and LHC machine development with wire prototypes.
- Both topics are relevant for EIC
  - 394 MHz crab cavities
  - Long range beam-beam effects and compensation



# Increased engagement in nEXO double-beta decay

- CFI funding development work in Canada; new award contingent on DOE investment
- NJTS appointed as inaugural convenor of funding agency task force to develop European-North American tonne-scale programme
- Theory group engaged in ab initio calculations of nuclear matrix elements
- nEXO collaboration recently published a paper in the EPJC on VUV SPM
  - Effort lead by TRIUMF SciTech dept
  - Lead author Giacomo Gallina

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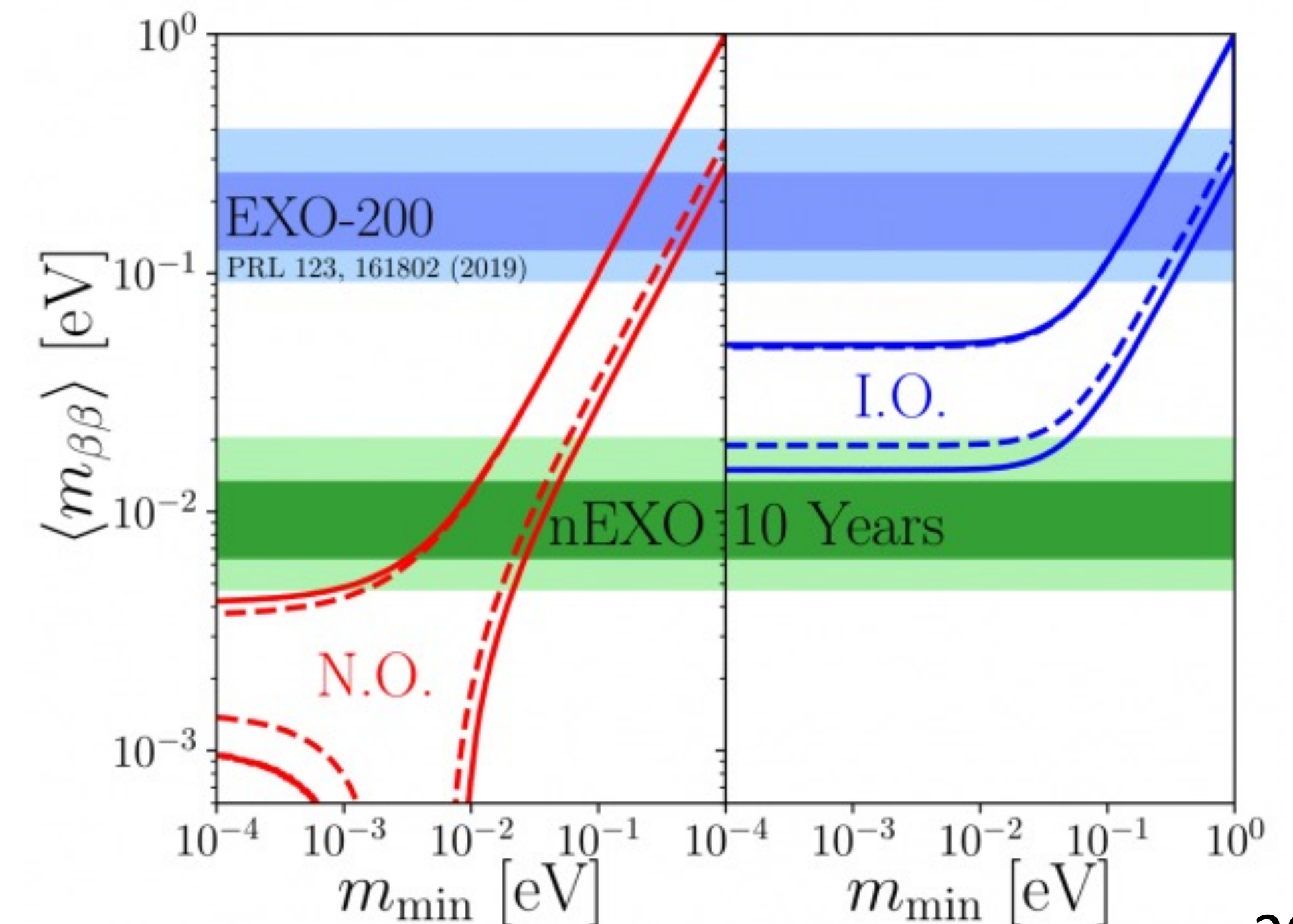
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## Next Five-year Funding

- Having completed the 20-Year Vision, we are in development of our next operations funding proposal to government including the completion and operation of the new research platforms ARIEL and IAMI
- The 20-Year Vision lays out the long-term priorities for the laboratory, and Five-Year Plan 2025 – 2030 will mark the first effort to lay the groundwork to achieve this
- Canadian government support for operations of Major Research Facilities is in evolution, though this submission will follow previous processes. TRIUMF is fully engaged in the MRF discussions, which engage ISED, funding agencies, and the Chief Science Advisor.
- Objective to complete proposal and have approval through September, with resolution by end of this fiscal year (March 2024)



# Canadian planning and connection to US (and international) programme

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- Canadian SAP programme is highly international
  - International collaborations across multiple continents and countries, including projects located within Canada
  - International connections between laboratories (US Labs, CERN, KEK)
  - Dialogue between agencies as appropriate and possible (given timescales and different processes adopted)
- National planning naturally incorporates the international and US connections and research drivers to ensure strong collaboration with US institutes and researchers
  - <https://subatomicphysics.ca>





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# Science Highlights



# Science & Technology – Accelerators

## First results from new 'beta-SRF' facility at beta-NMR

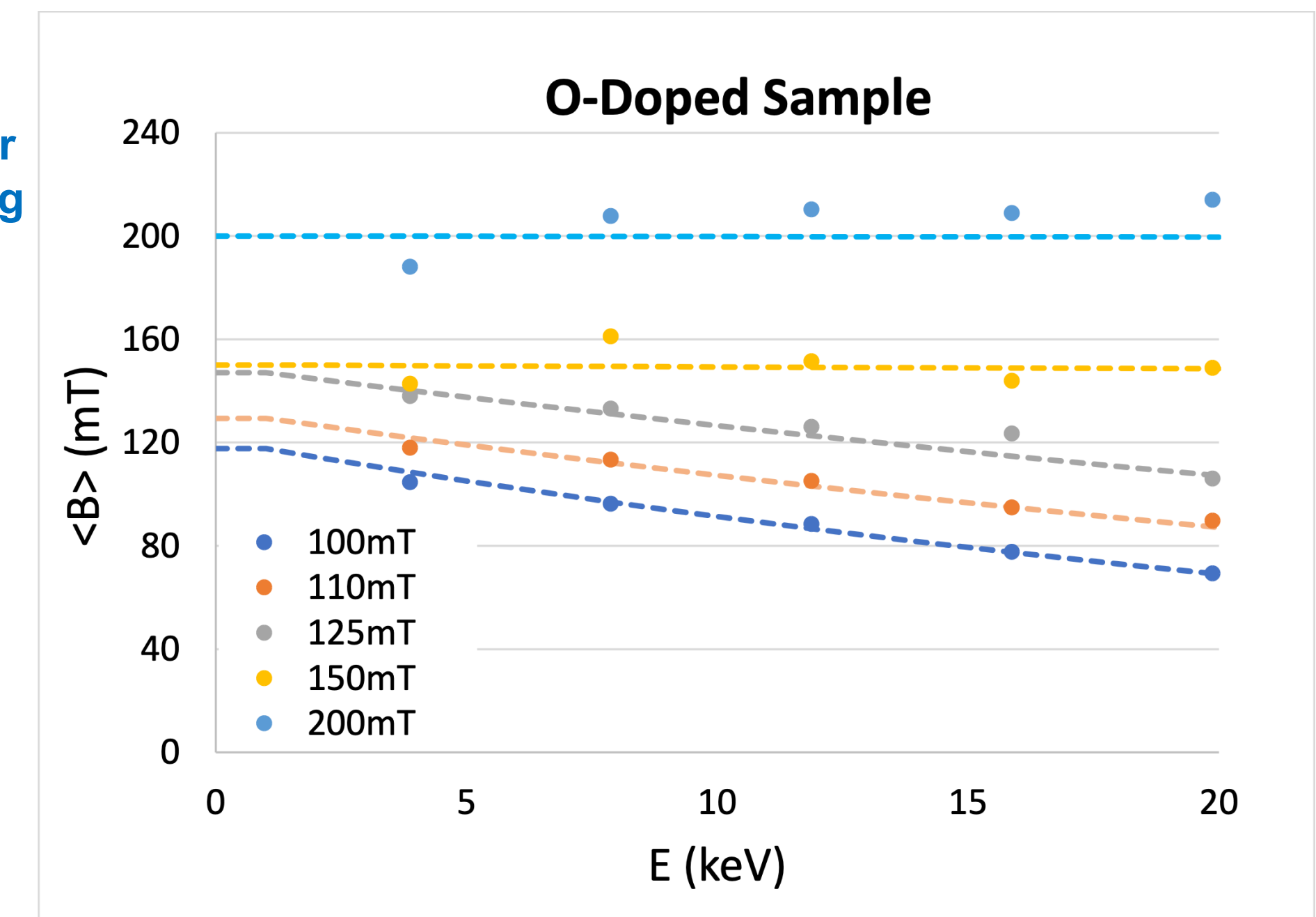
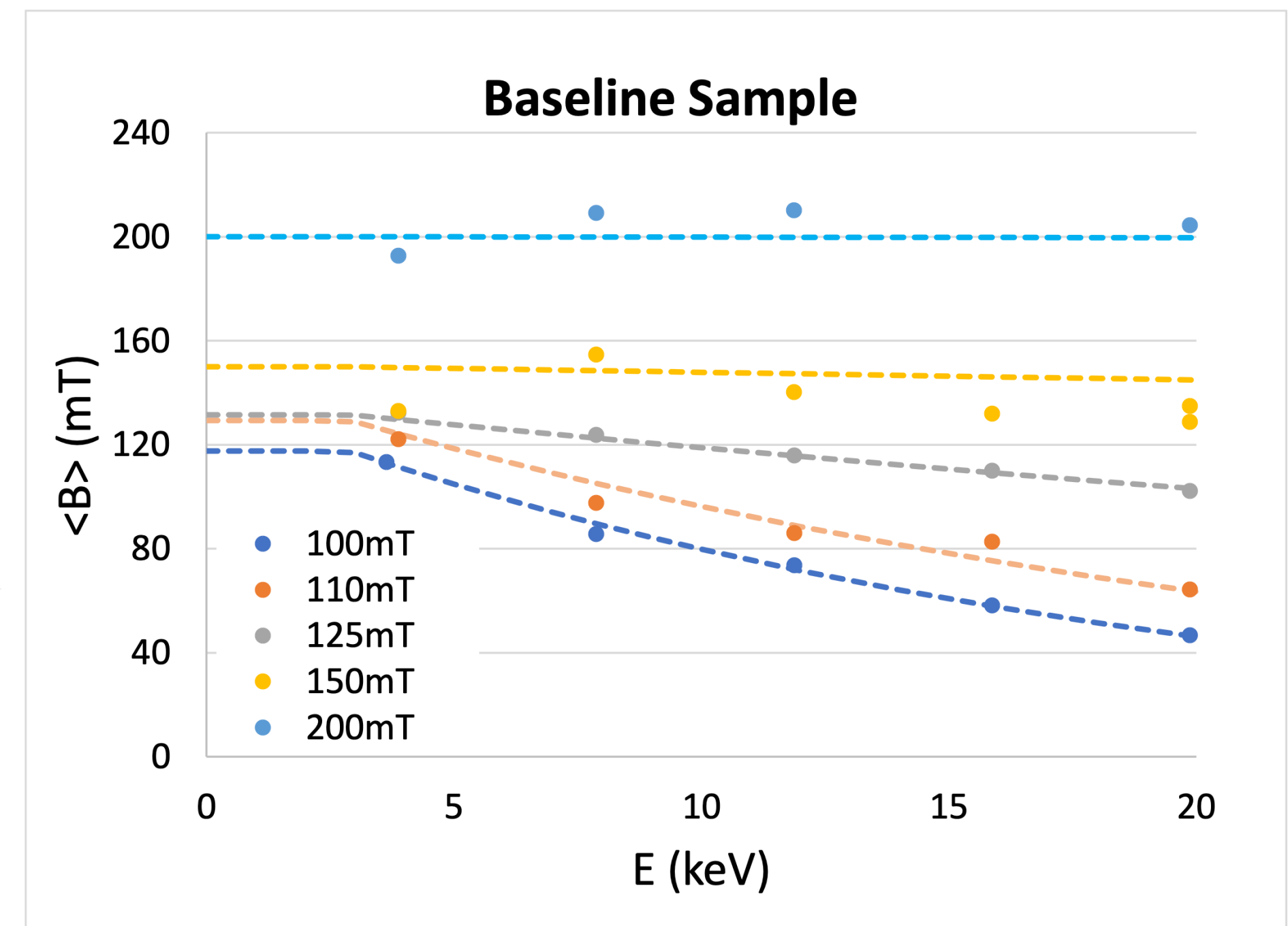
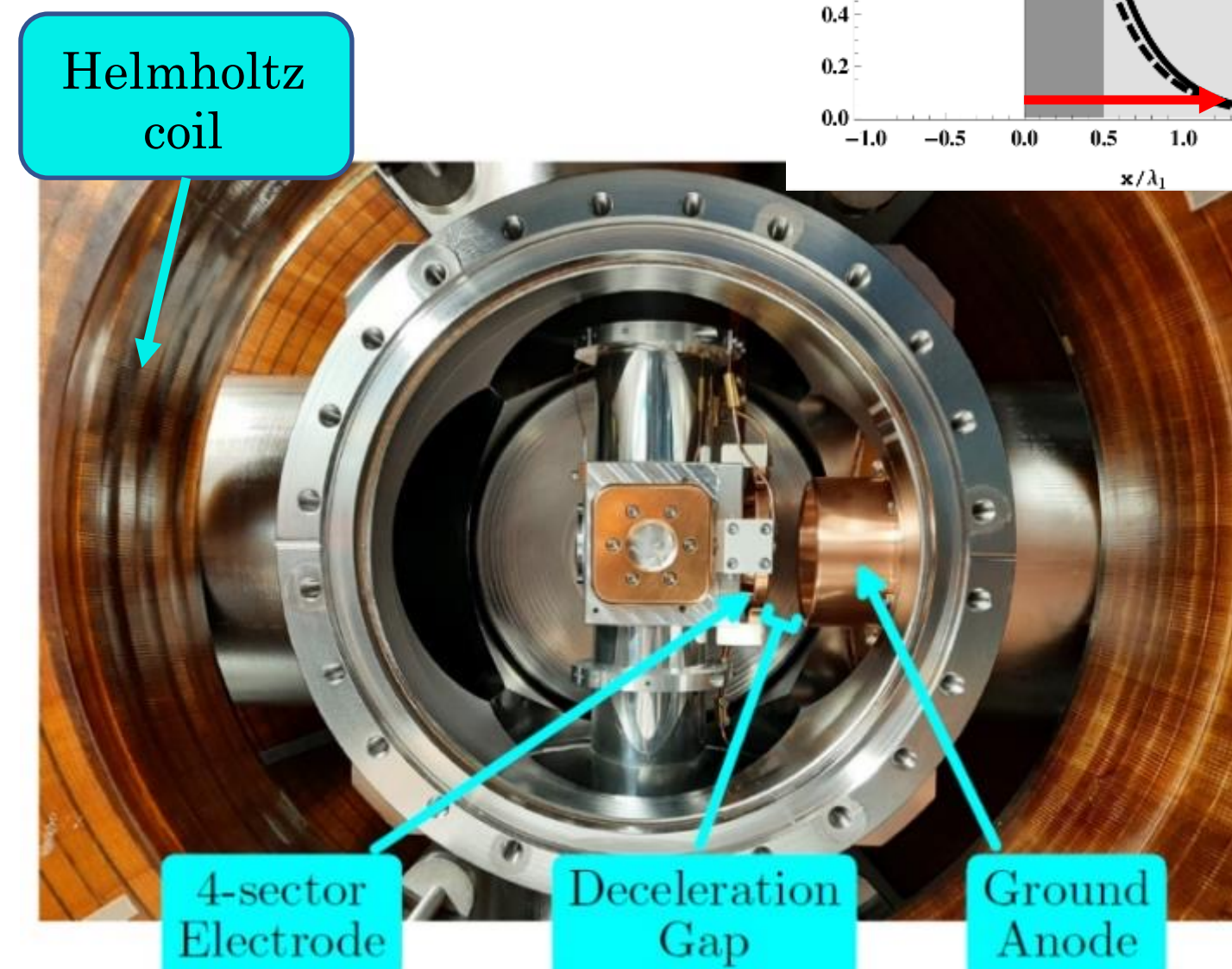
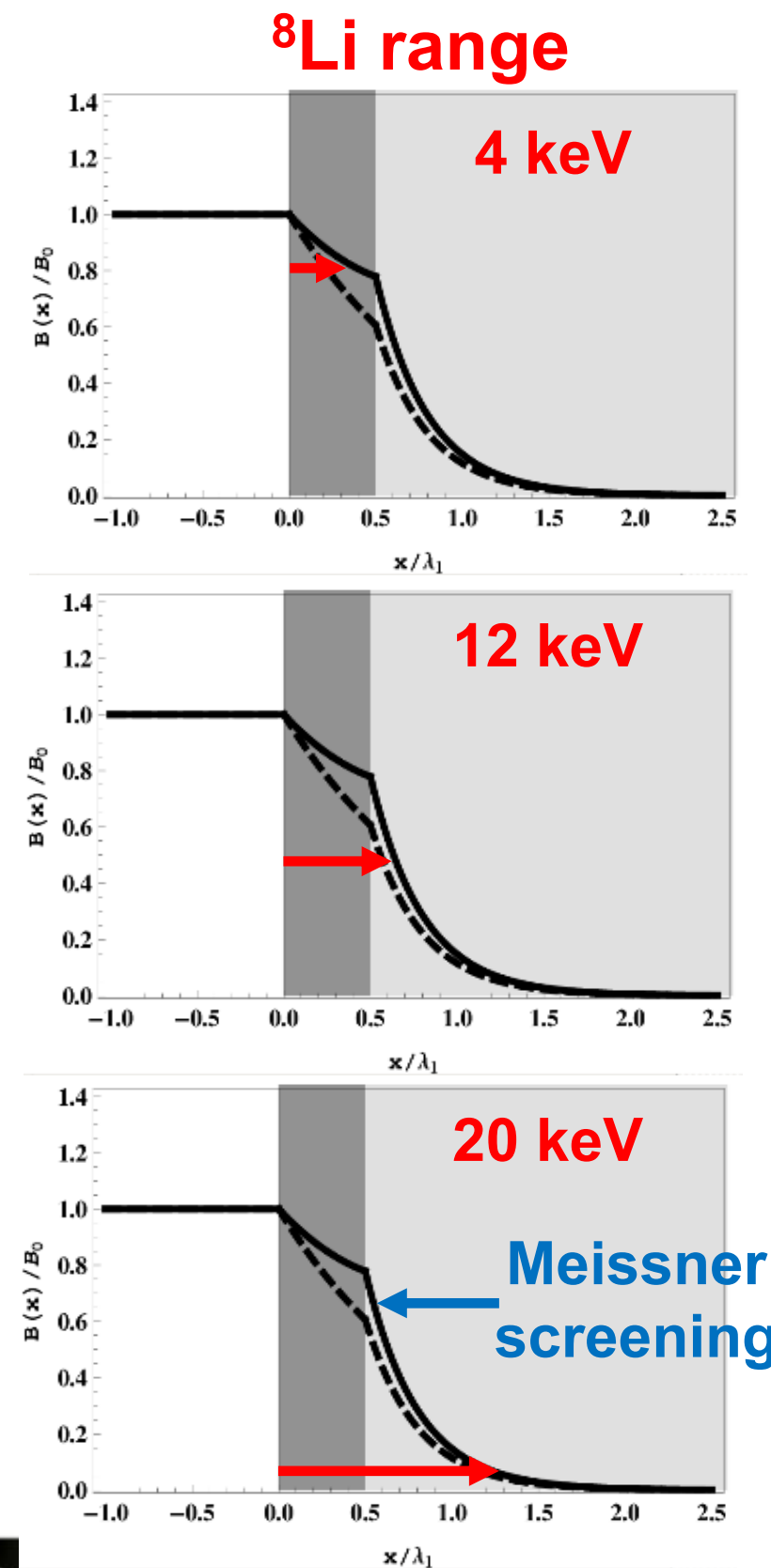
- Unique facility in the world for depth profiling materials in parallel magnetic fields up to 200mT – SRF regime
- First results show clear differences in the Meissner screening between a baseline sample and an oxygen doped sample
- O-doped sample has a longer penetration depth but better high field screening compared to baseline

First paper

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### A New High Parallel-Field Spectrometer at TRIUMF's $\beta$ -NMR Facility

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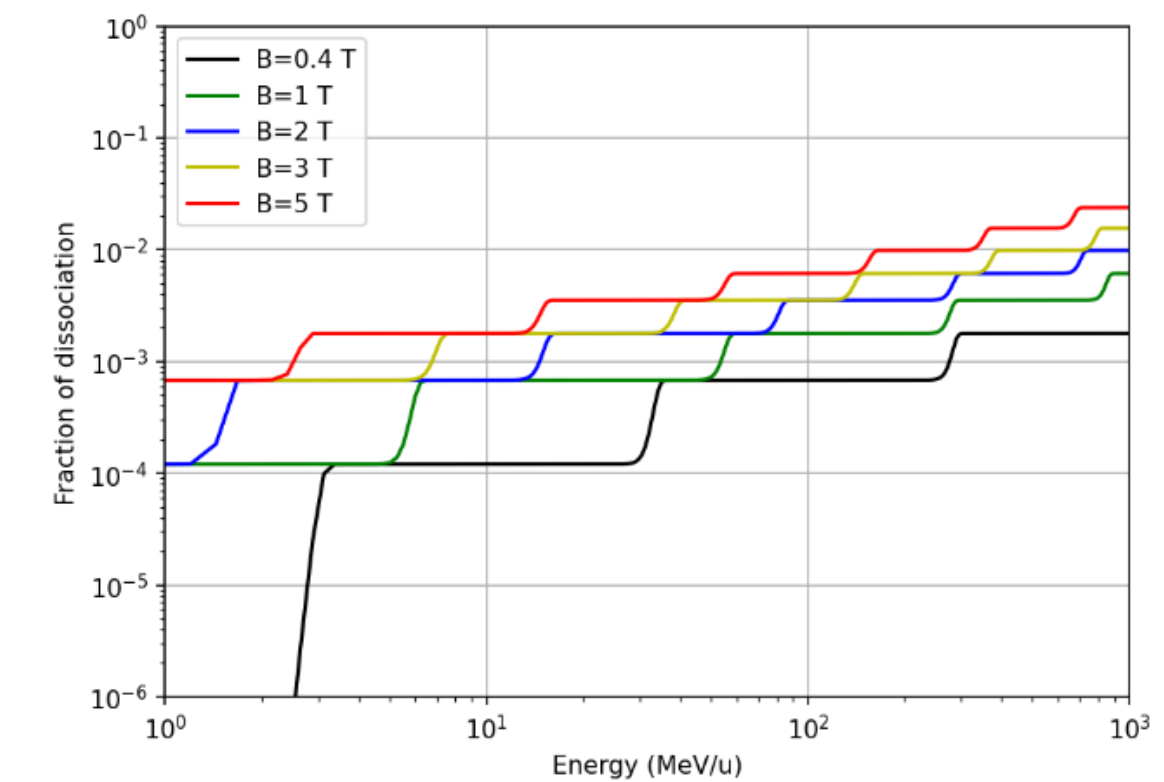
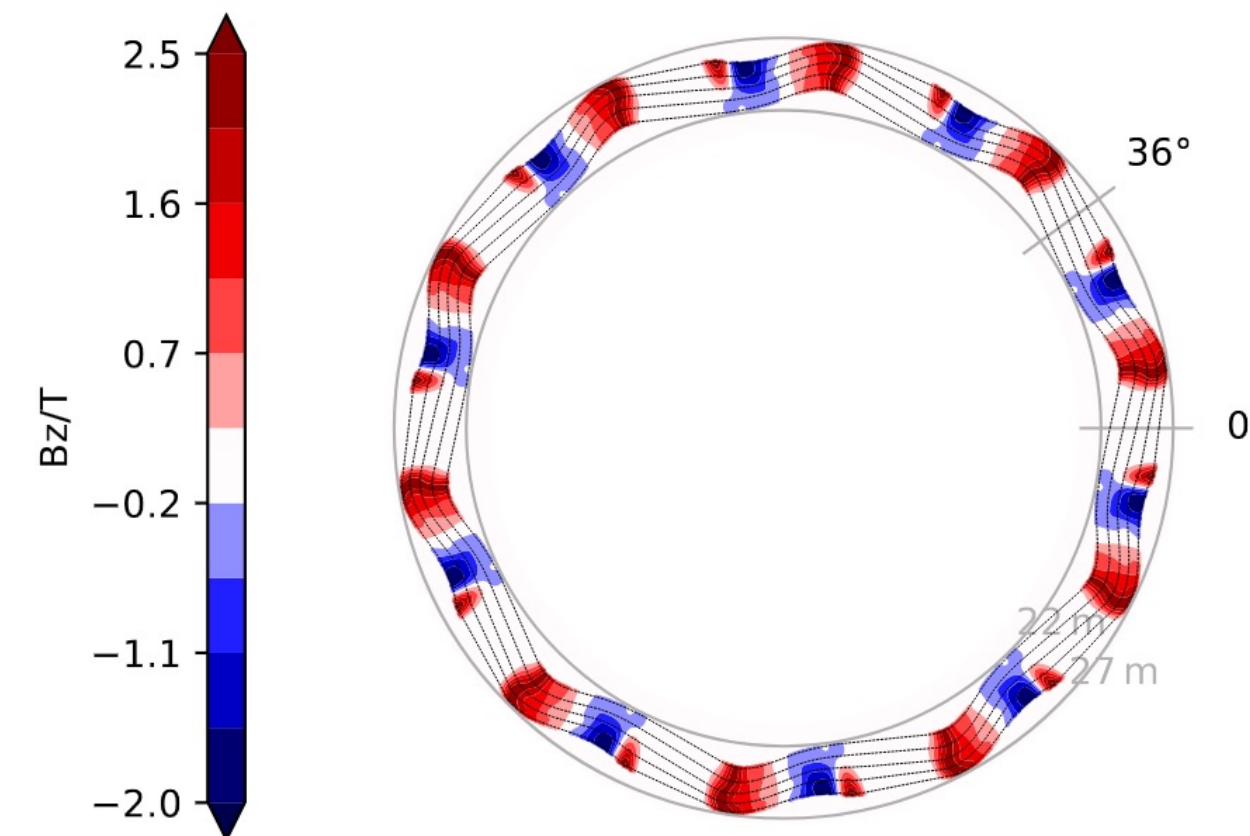
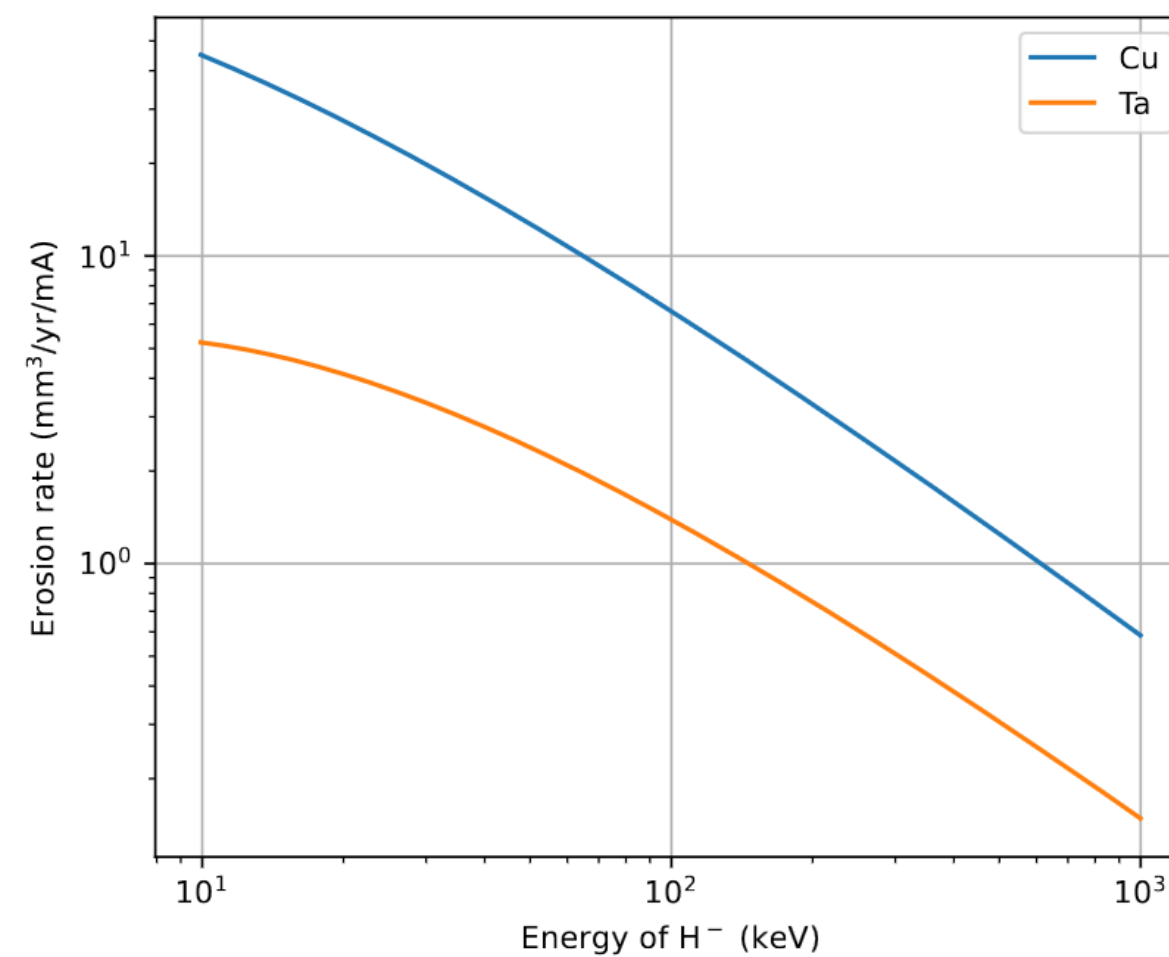
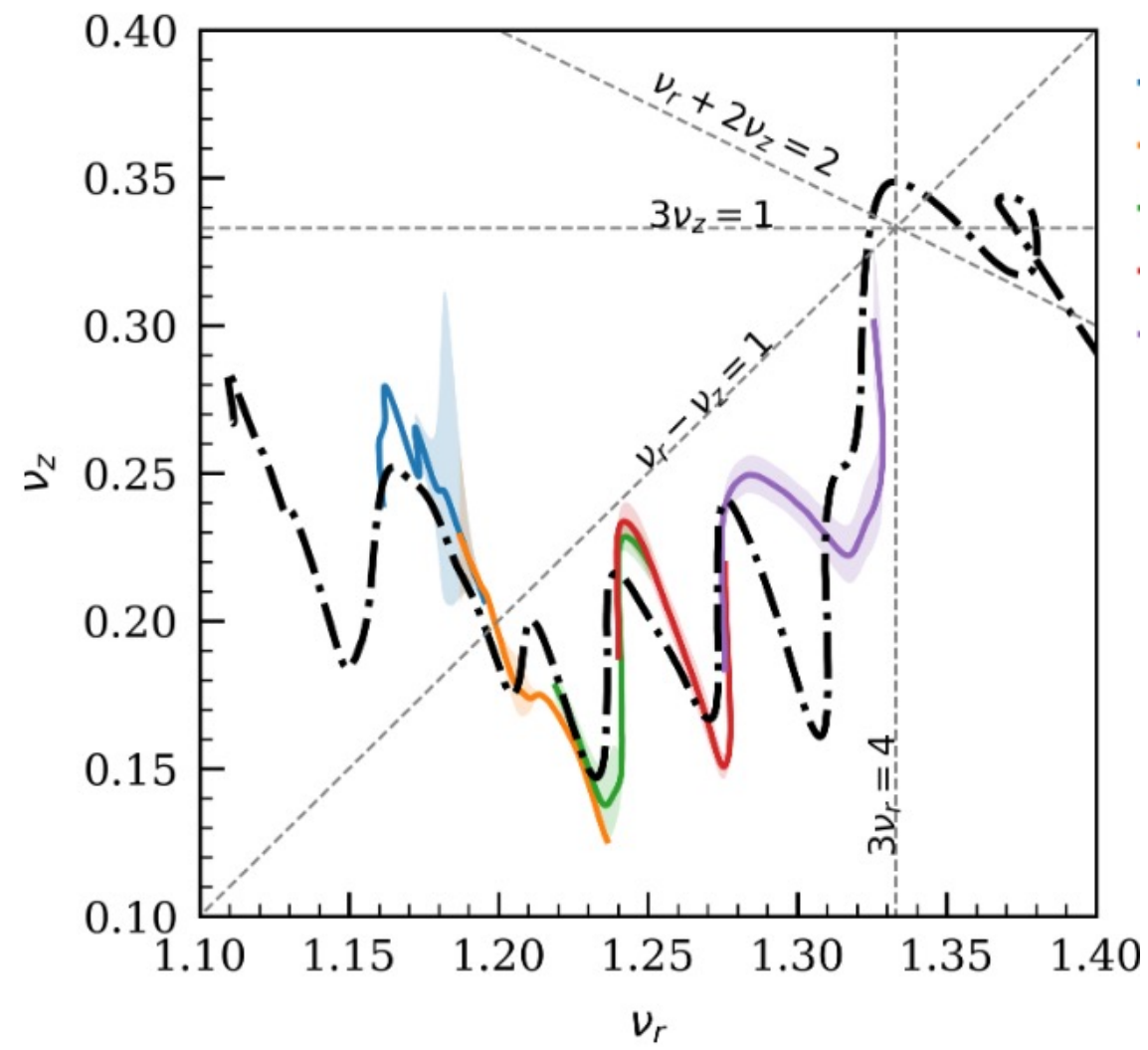
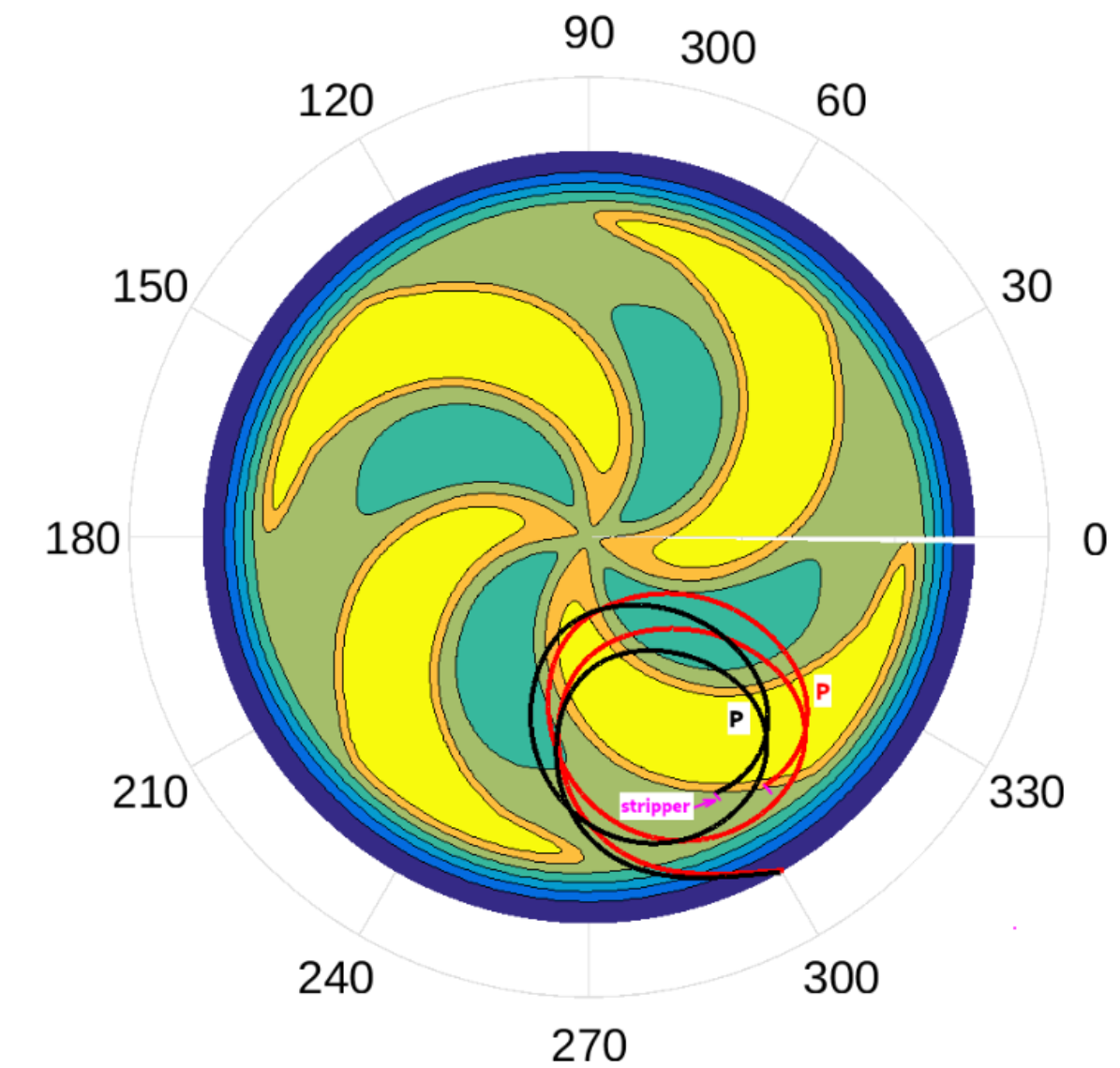


# Science & Technology – Accelerators



## Special Beam Dynamics Issue on Cyclotrons International Committee for Future Accelerators

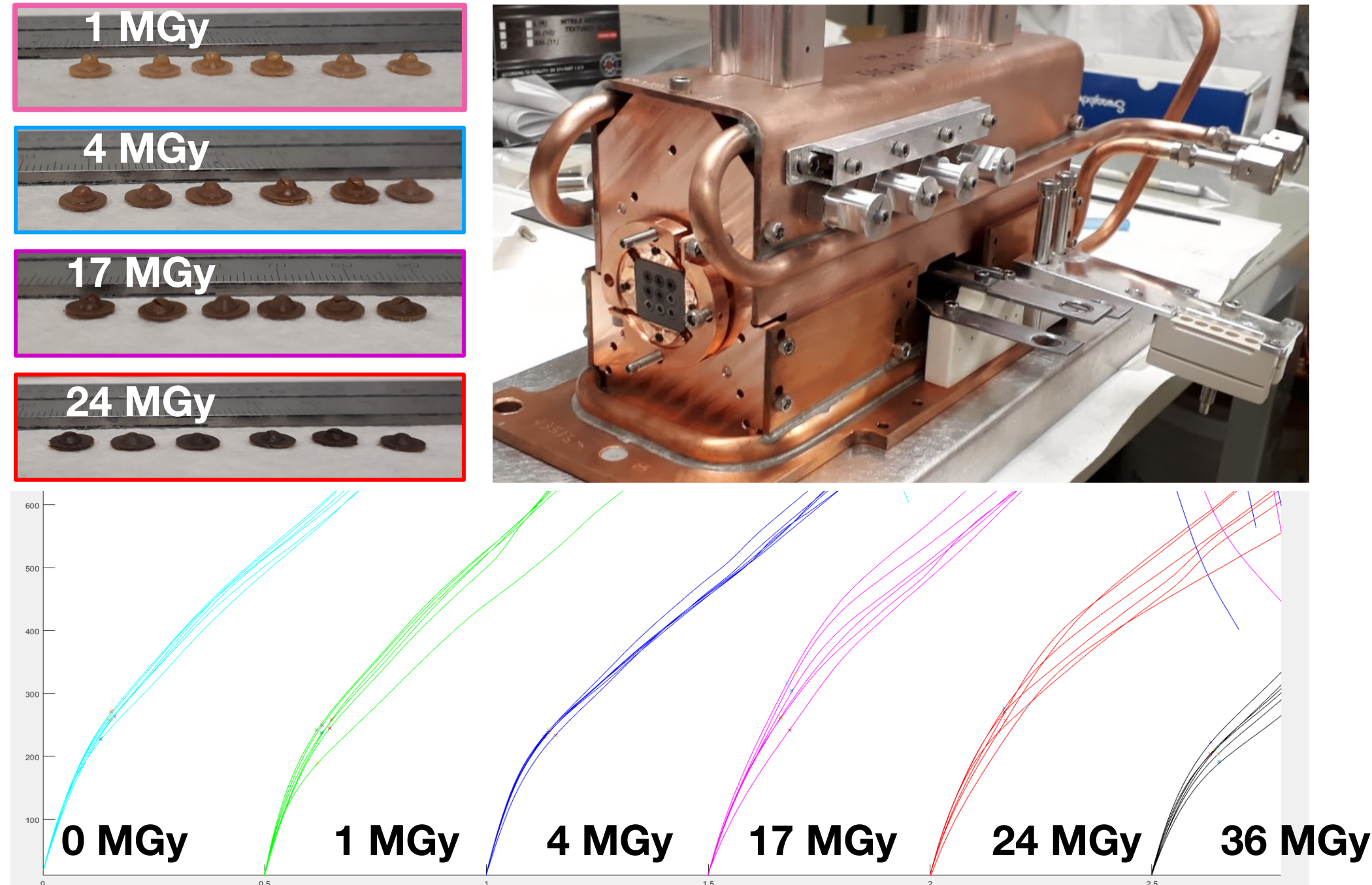
- TRIUMF Beam Physics Department Head, Rick Baartman, was invited by the beam dynamics subgroup to coordinate and edit a special issue on cyclotrons' energy and intensity limits.
- 15 peer-reviewed papers were published in Journal of Instrumentation, of which 8 from TRIUMF, reinforcing TRIUMF as a center of excellence for cyclotron physics and beam dynamics.
- Contributions from the TRIUMF teams to the newsletter included: future high-energy and high-power cyclotrons, exploration of fundamental intensity limits, constant-tune cyclotrons,  $H_2^+$  and  $H_3^+$  beam acceleration and stripping extraction, etc.



(b) Total dissociation of all state at  $B = 1, 2, 3$  and  $5$  T



## Example 1: PEEK irradiation damage studies - tensile and fracture properties



## Recent PH.D. thesis work:

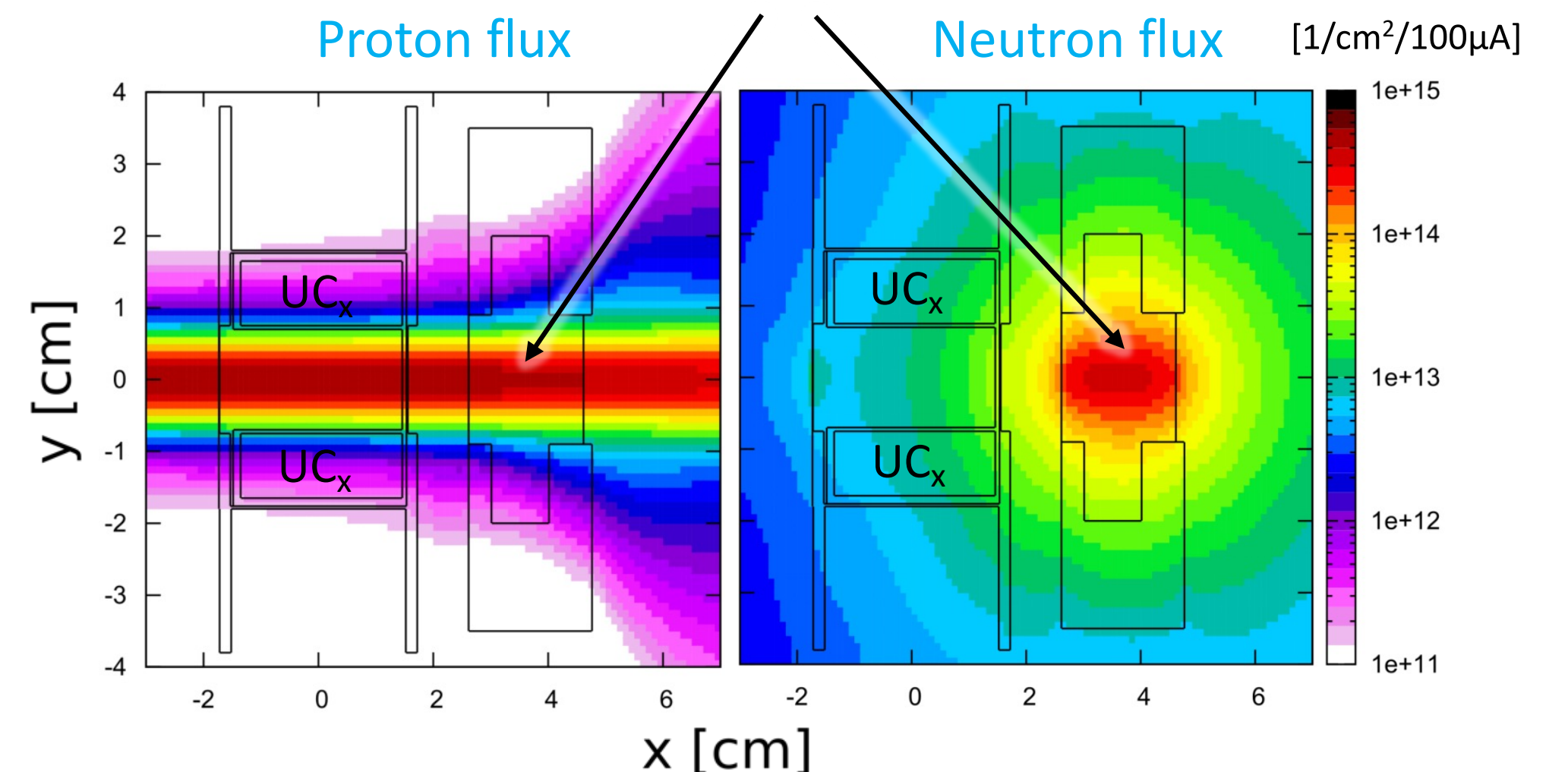
- Luca Egoriti, PhD (December 2022, UBC Chemistry) - Transport phenomena in radioisotope beam production targets
- Nolan Esplen, PhD (April 2023, UVIC Physics and Astronomy) - Development of Enabling Technologies for Ultra-high Dose Rate and Spatially Fractionated Radiation Therapy (FLASH)

## Targets and Ion Sources Research Highlights

### Research focus:

- Target materials for intense radioisotope release
- Ionization schemes and laser ionization efficiency
- Material irradiation damage for accelerator and nuclear applications
- Applications of accelerators and radioisotopes in nuclear medicine

## Example 2: Proton-to-neutron converter target



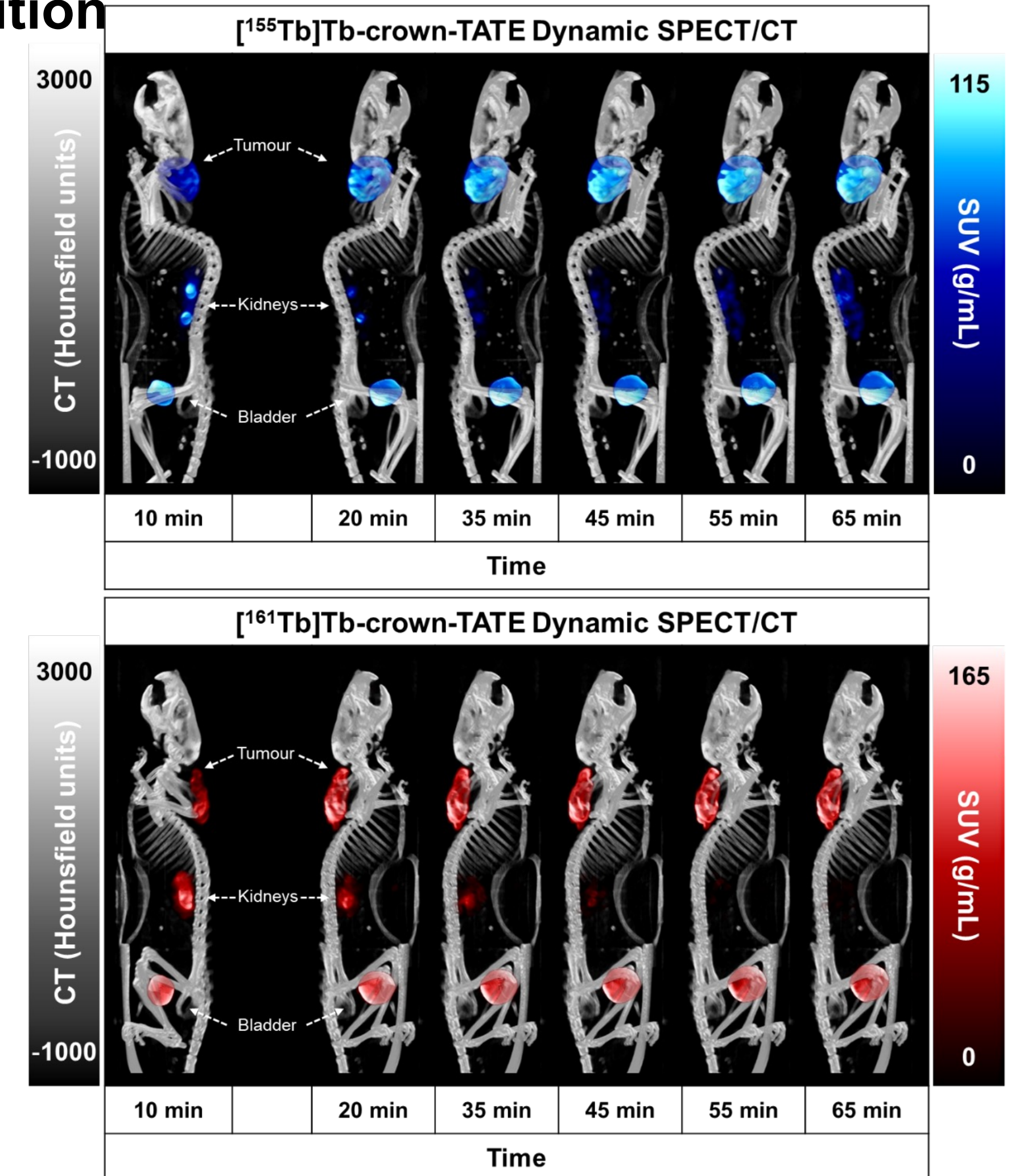
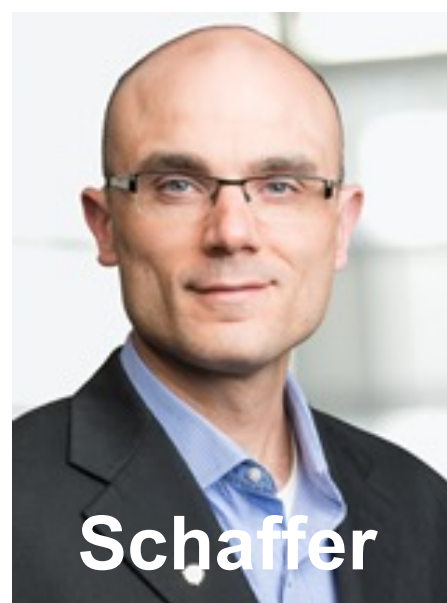


# Science & Technology – Life Sciences

## TRIUMF continues development of novel therapeutic isotopes

### [<sup>161/155</sup>Tb]Tb-crown-TATE: in vivo SPECT imaging and biodistribution

- Theranostic isotope development: <sup>155</sup>Tb (SPECT imaging or Auger therapy); <sup>161</sup>Tb (SPECT imaging or β-therapy)
- TRIUMF produces <sup>155</sup>Tb in ISAC; <sup>161</sup>Tb obtained from SCK CEN; animal studies completed in collaboration with BC Cancer, UBC
- TRIUMF-developed chelator and radiopharmaceutical (see structure below) targeting neuroendocrine (pancreatic) tumours (NETs)
- Results show high tumour uptake and low uptake in normal tissues and organs



SPECT imaging of <sup>155,161</sup>Tb in AR42J (pancreatic) tumour mice



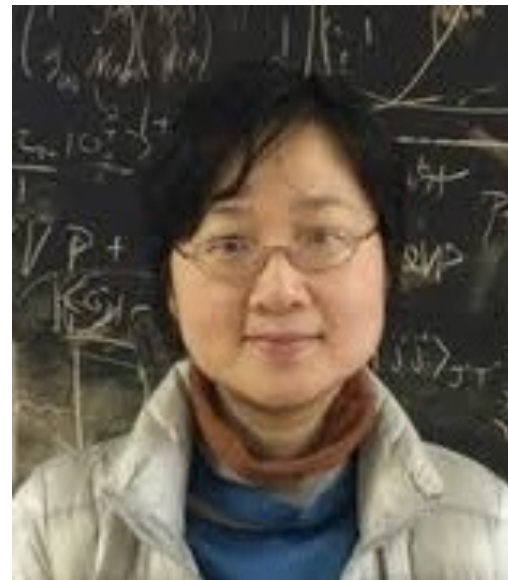
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## Bio beta-NMR: Optical Pumping of $\text{Ac}^+$ Isotopes

Interdivisional endeavor:



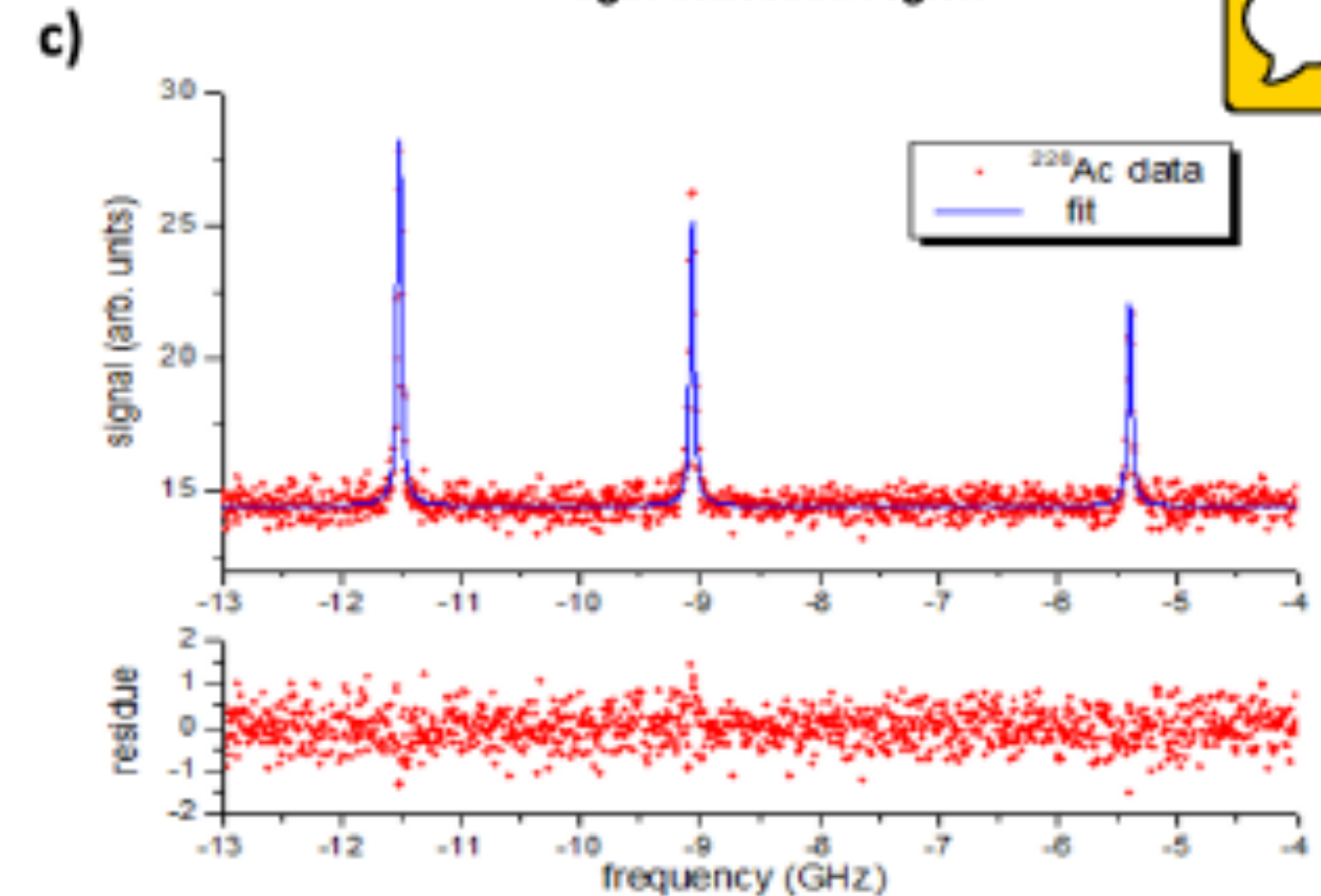
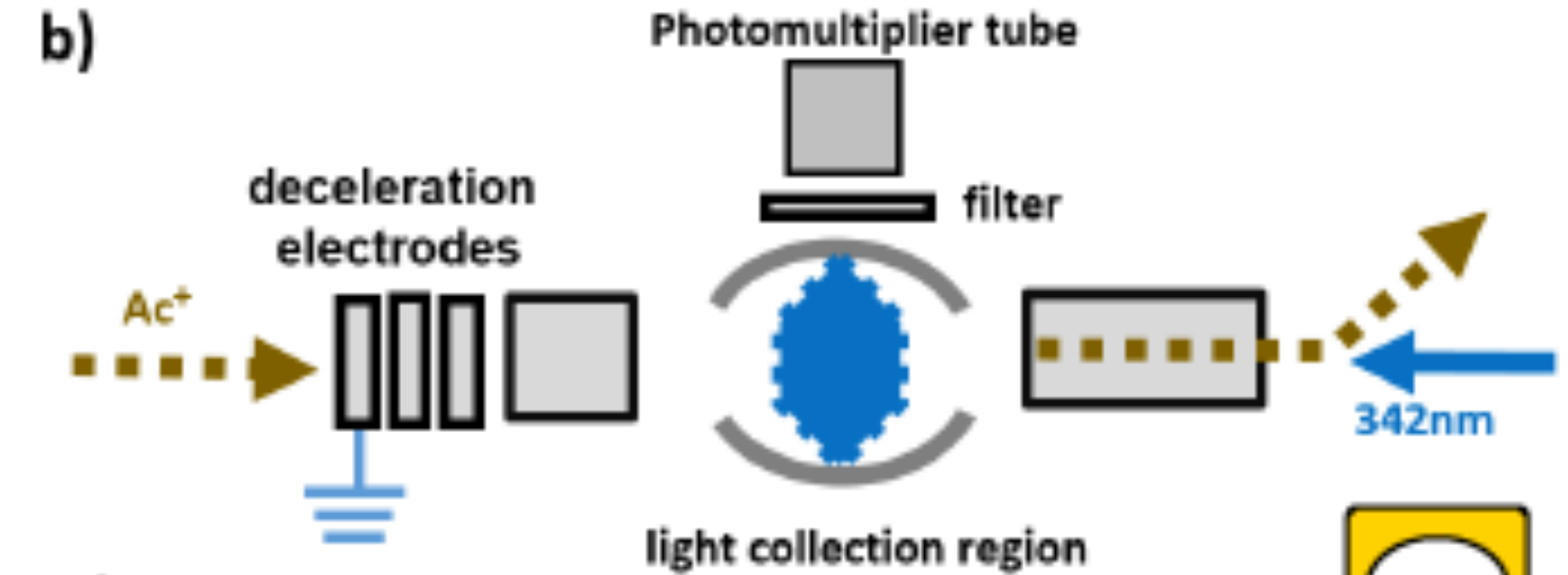
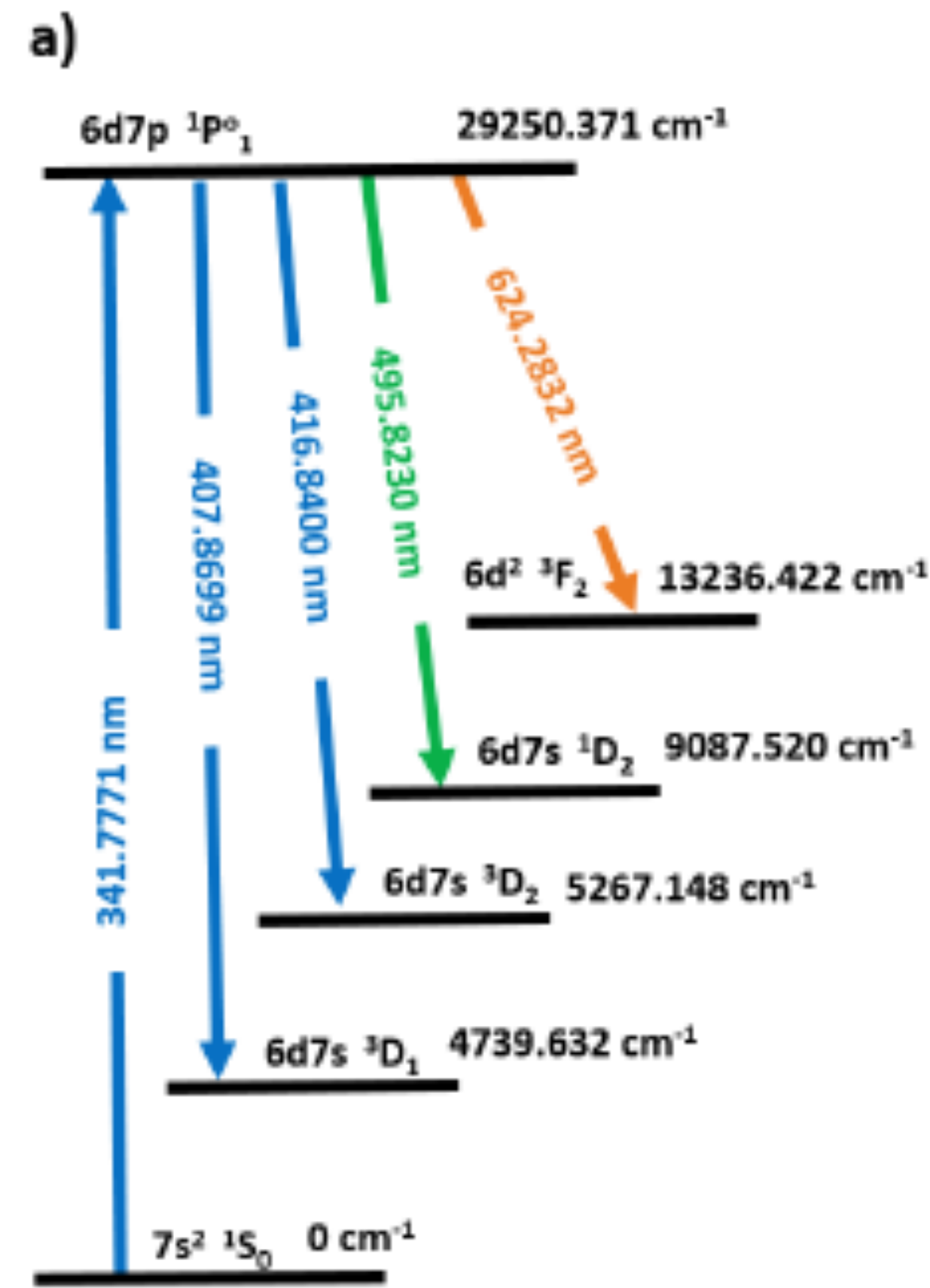
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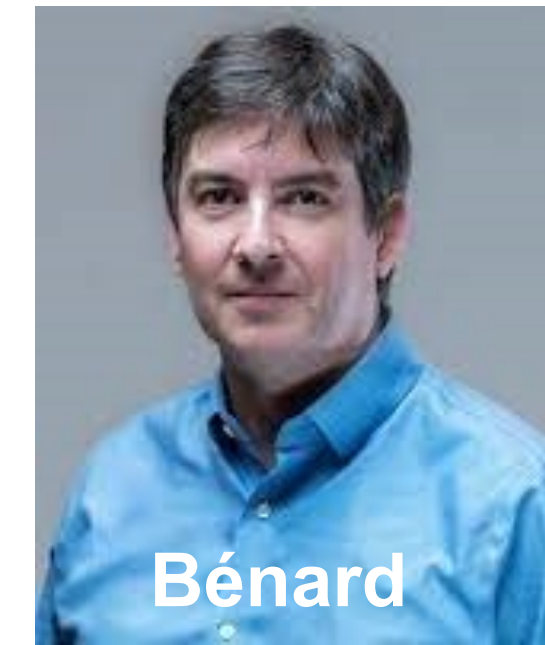


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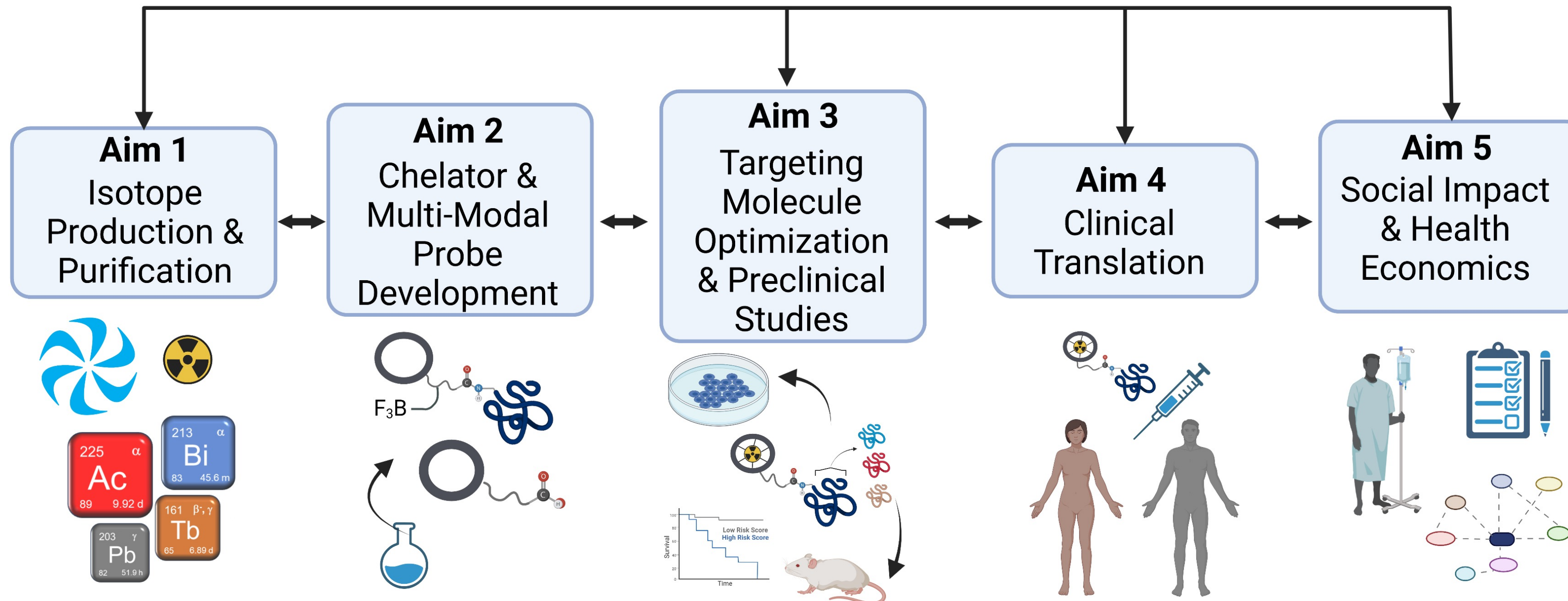


# Science & Technology – Life Sciences

## Looking Ahead: NFRF-Transformation Rare Isotopes to Transform Cancer Therapy



- **Awarded:** \$23.7 mil over 6 years
- Nominated PI: F. Bénard (UBC/BC Cancer); co-PI: Ramogida (SFU/TRIUMF)
- TRIUMF Team: Hoehr, Radchenko, Schaffer, Yang
- Utilizes 520 MeV, 24 MeV, 13 MeV cyclotrons to produce a portfolio of isotopes



### National partners:





# Science & Technology – Nuclear Physics

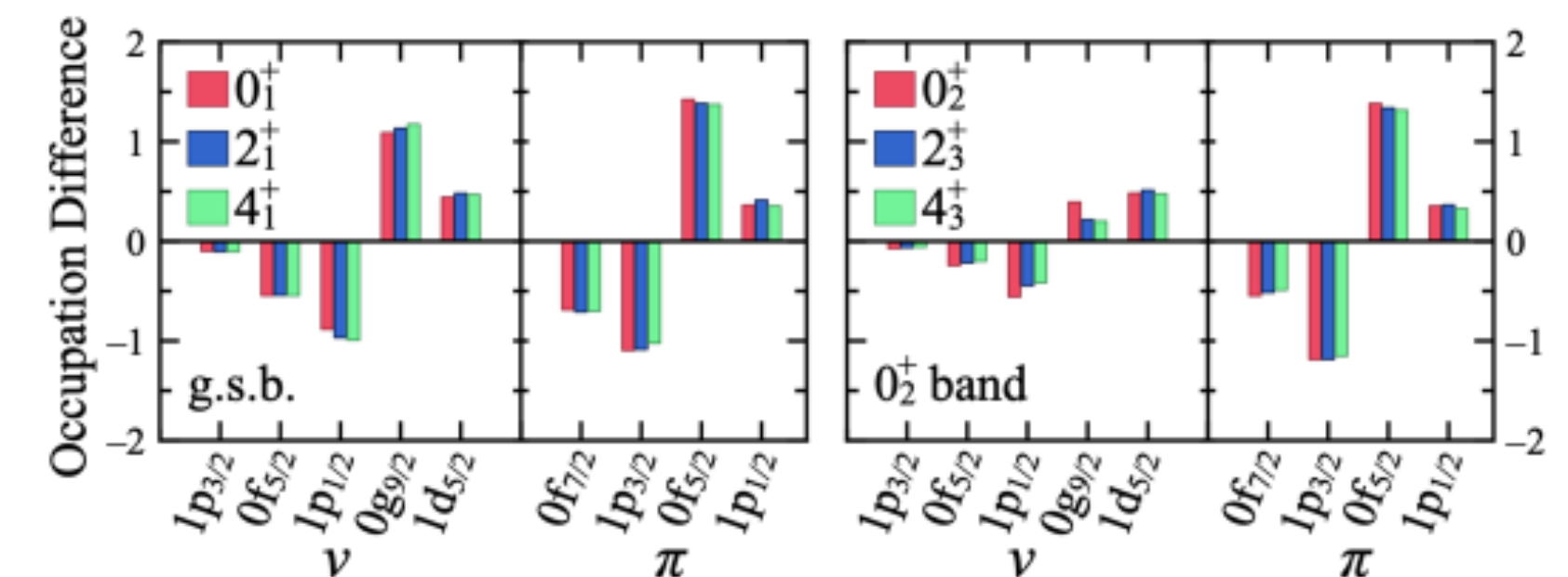
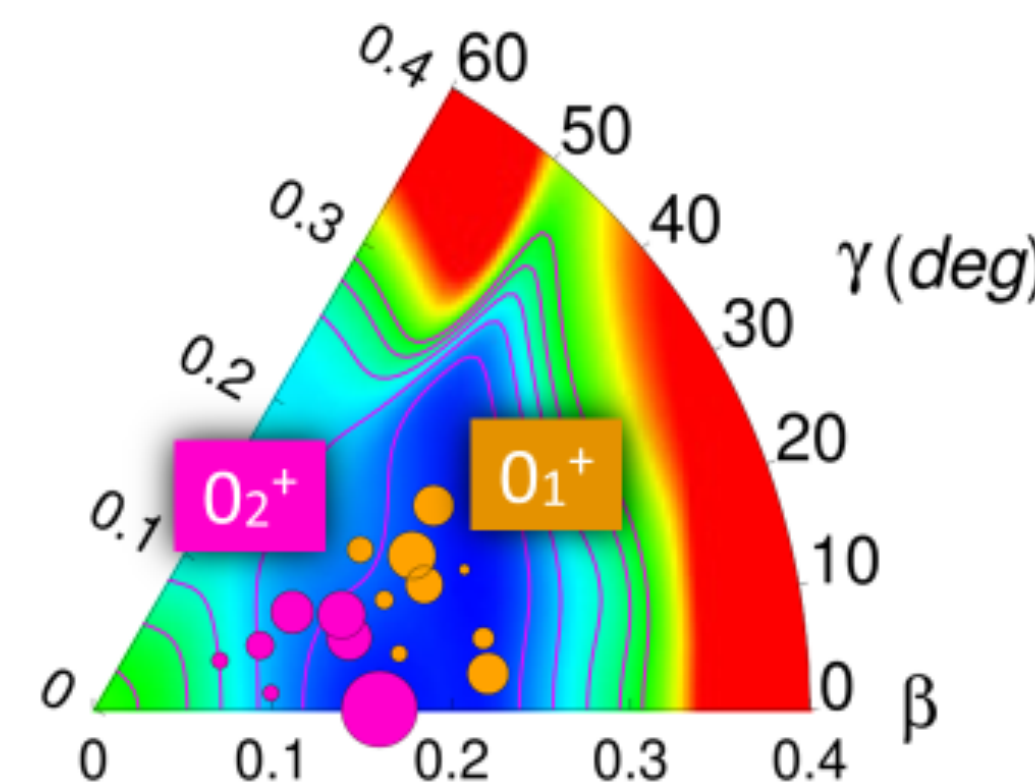
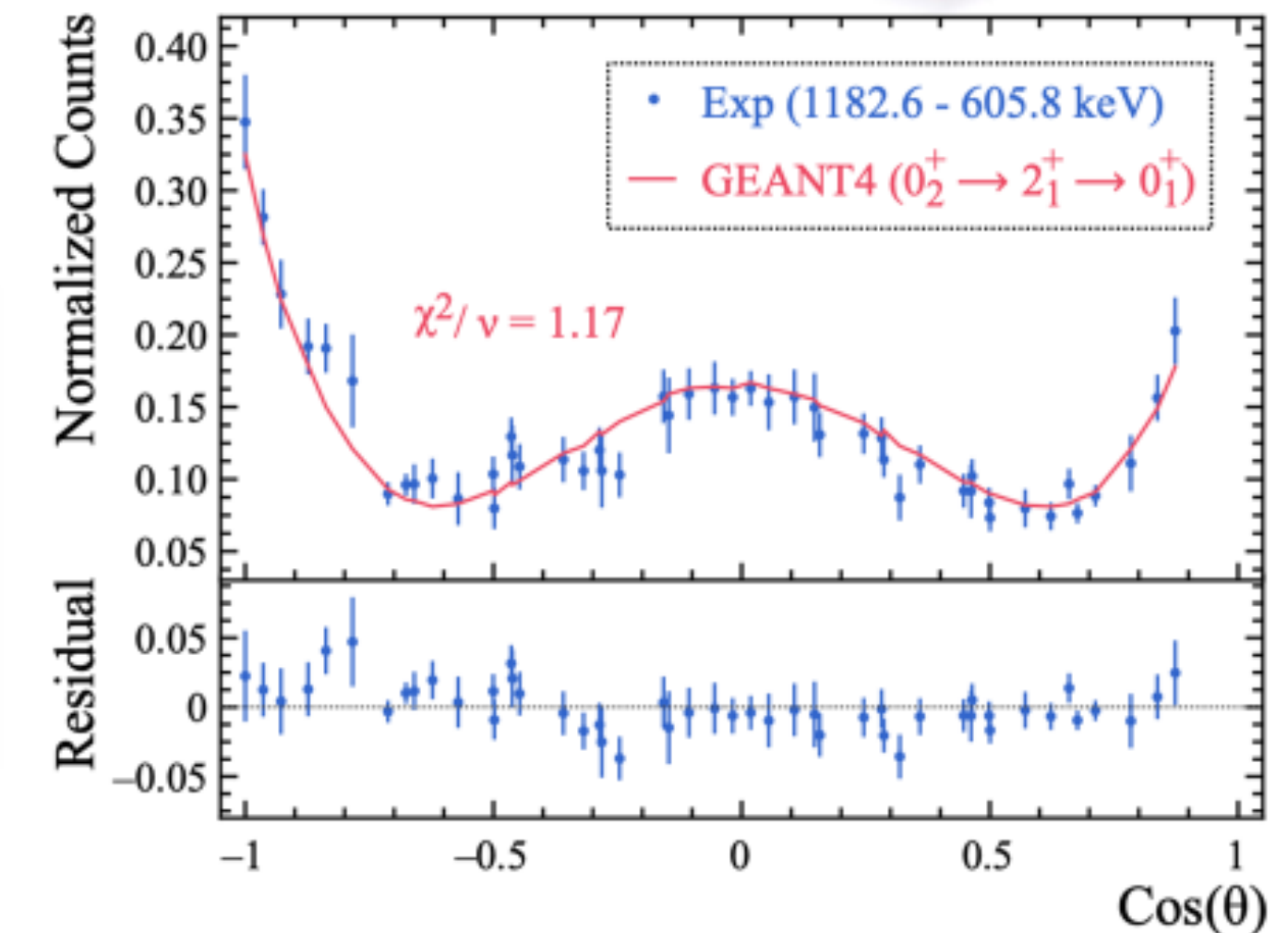
## First Evidence of Axial Shape Asymmetry and Configuration Coexistence in $^{74}\text{Zn}$ : Suggestion for a Northern Extension of the N = 40 Island of Inversion

M. Rocchini, P.E. Garrett, M. Zielińska, S.M. Lenzi, D.D. Dao, F. Nowacki, et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 130, 122502 (2023).

- $^{74}\text{Zn}$  investigated at GRIFFIN following  $^{74}\text{Cu}$   $\beta$  decay
- $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  angular correlation analysis  $\Rightarrow$  Firm spin assignments for  $2_2^+$ ,  $3_1^+$ ,  $0_2^+$ ,  $2_3^+$  states
- Two new transitions observed  $\Rightarrow 2_3^+ \rightarrow 0_2^+$  and  $2_3^+ \rightarrow 4_1^+$
- From measured  $\gamma$ -ray branching and  $E2/M1$  mixing ratios for transitions de-exciting the  $2_2^+$ ,  $3_1^+$ ,  $2_3^+$  states  $\Rightarrow$  Relative B(E2) values
- A rotational-like structure appears at low energy in  $^{74}\text{Zn}$
- New microscopic Large-Scale Shell-Model calculations
  - Shapes of individual states
  - Wave-function compositions
- The ground state is found to have enhanced
  - axial shape asymmetry (triaxiality)
  - Configuration-coexisting  $0_2^+$  state



A shore of the N = 40 “island of inversion” appears to manifest above Z = 26, previously thought as its northern limit in the chart of the nuclides





# Science & Technology – Nuclear Physics

## New EMMA-TIGRESS Paper

PHYSICAL REVIEW C **107**, 035803 (2023)

### Cross sections of the $^{83}\text{Rb}(p, \gamma)^{84}\text{Sr}$ and $^{84}\text{Kr}(p, \gamma)^{85}\text{Rb}$ reactions at energies characteristic of the astrophysical $\gamma$ process

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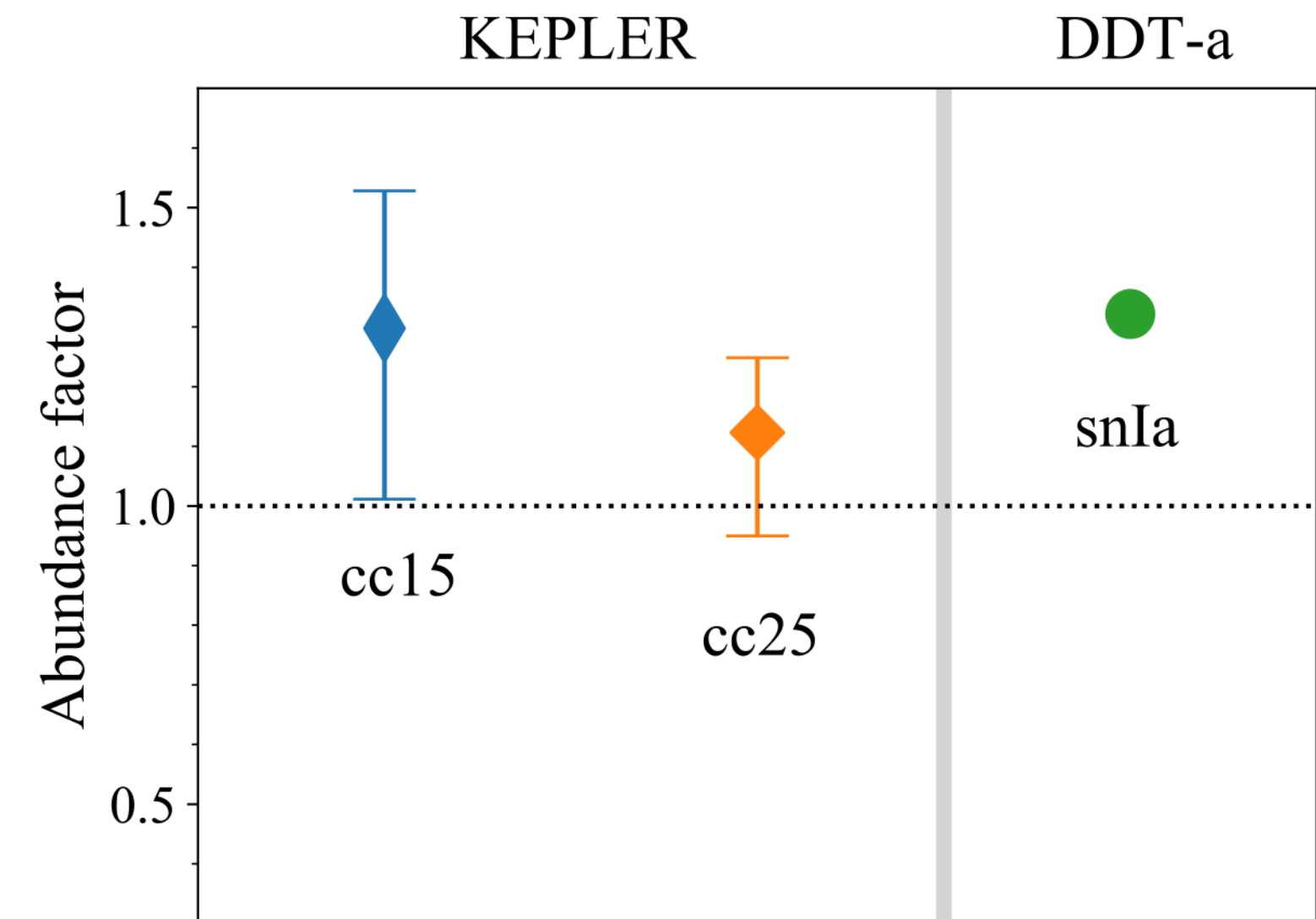
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Measurements of cross section of  $^{83}\text{Rb}(p, \gamma)^{84}\text{Sr}$  reaction relevant to  $\gamma$  process nucleosynthesis in supernovae carried out with TIGRESS and EMMA in ISAC-II by a TRIUMF & University of Surrey (UK) collaboration; astrophysical modelling by Swiss and Japanese collaborators

The amount of  $^{84}\text{Sr}$  produced in supernovae is enhanced in model calculations based on the EMMA-TIGRESS measurement by 12-32% for different models with respect to previous theoretical estimate; all experimental and theoretical uncertainties included in error bars

Models: core collapse supernovae of 15 and 25 solar masses (left) & double detonation of a Chandrasekhar-mass white dwarf (right)



# Science & Technology – Nuclear Physics

## New Doppler Shift Lifetimes Facility Paper

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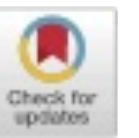
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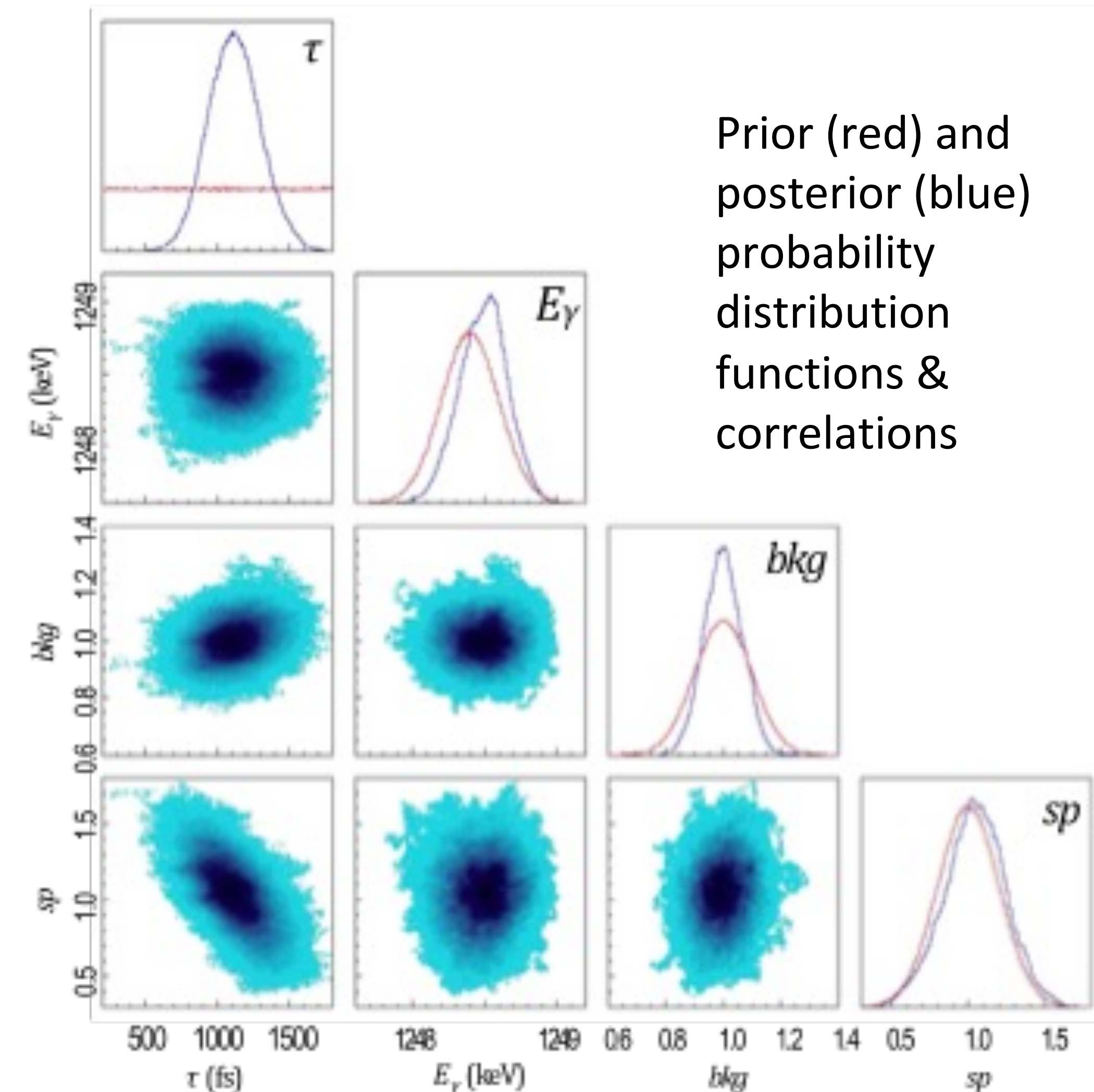


First application of Markov chain Monte Carlo-based Bayesian data analysis to the Doppler-shift attenuation method

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- Measurements of lifetimes of excited nuclear states relevant to nuclear reaction rates in classical nova explosions carried out with GRIFFIN detectors at the DSL facility in ISAC-II by a TRIUMF & Michigan State University collaboration
- Modern Bayesian statistical analysis techniques applied to  $\gamma$ -ray lifetime data obtained via the Doppler shift attenuation method for the 1<sup>st</sup> time
- Enables reliable quantification of systematic uncertainties in multidimensional, correlated parameter space

Prior (red) and posterior (blue) probability distribution functions & correlations





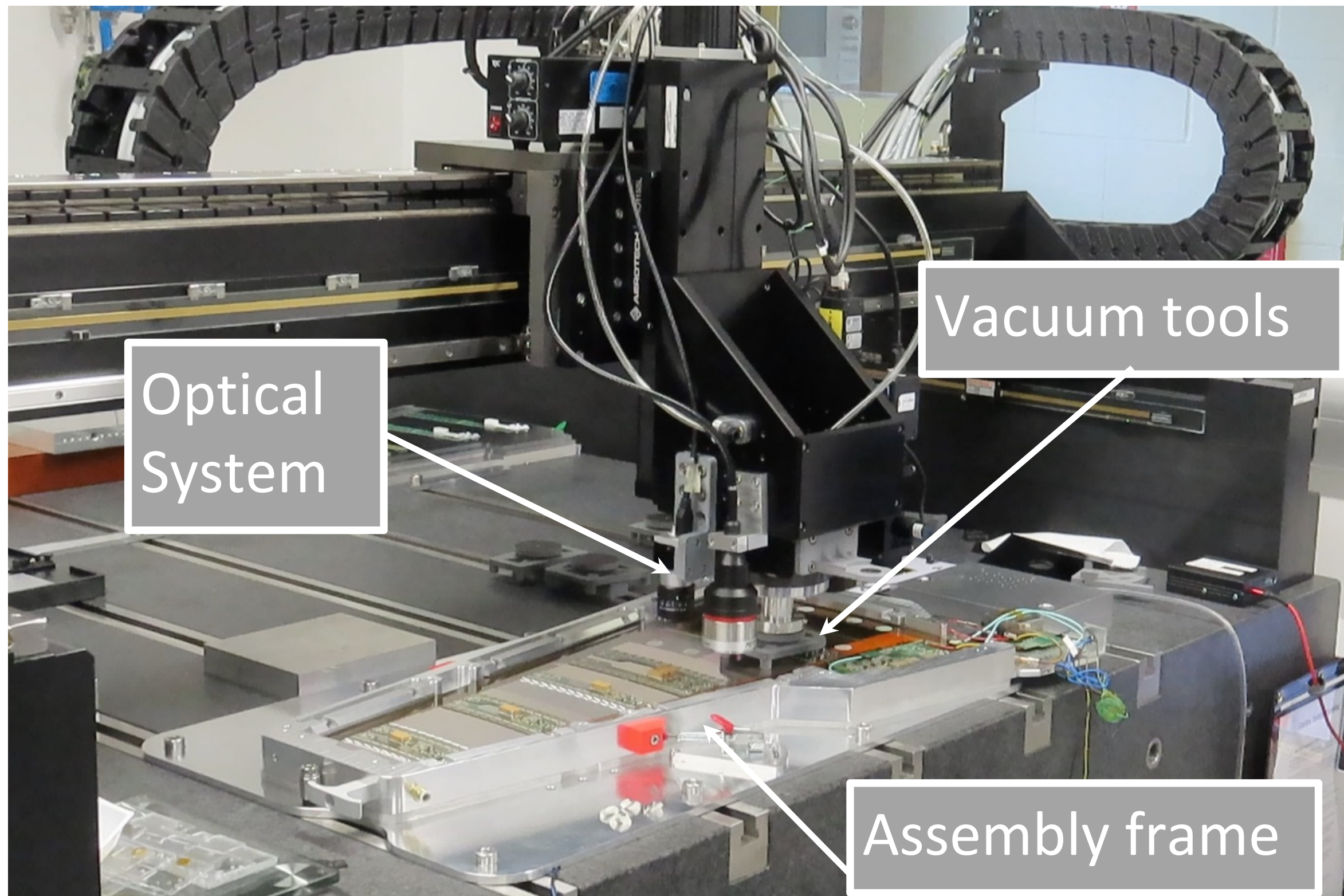
# Science & Technology – Particle Physics

## ATLAS-ITK

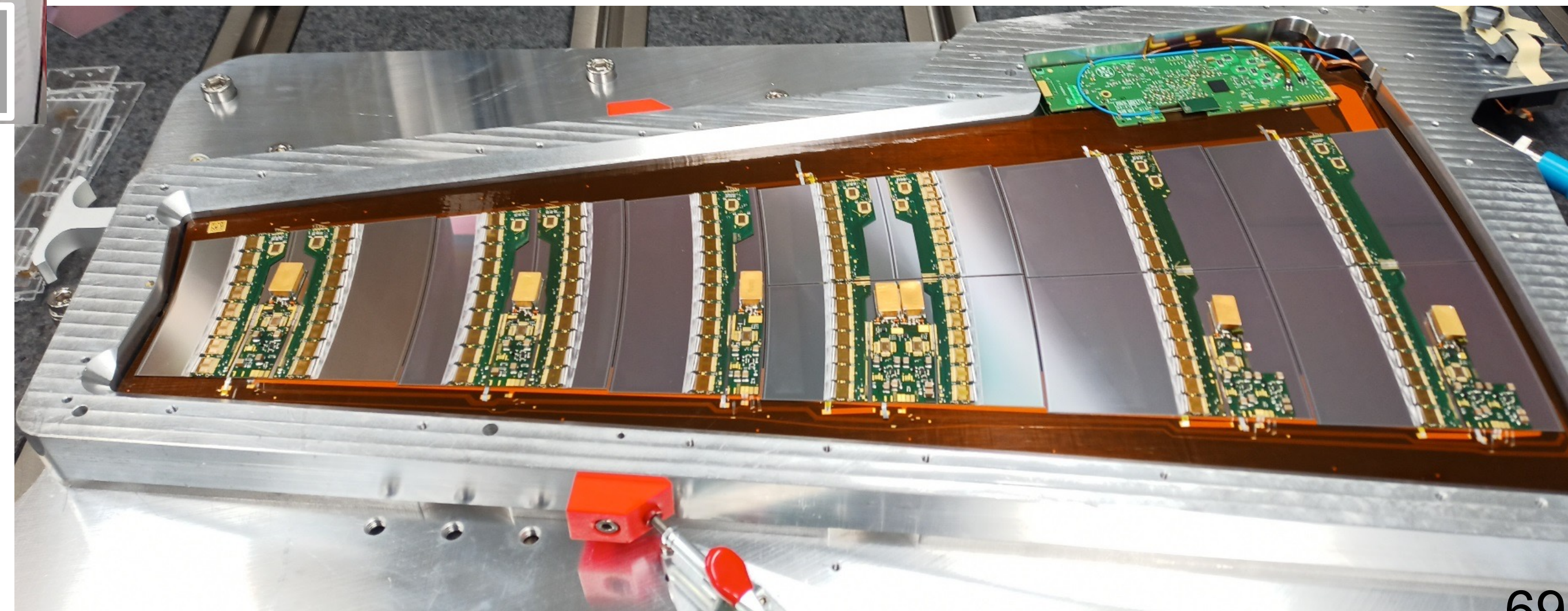
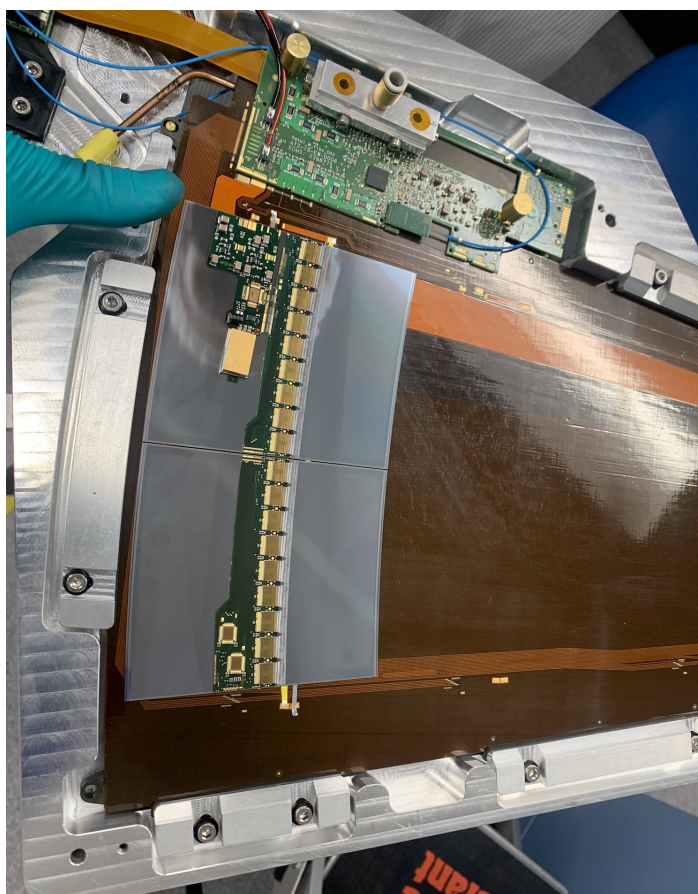
### ITk Petal assembly milestone

- Assembly of three petals recently
- First Pre-Production A (PPA) petal in ATLAS
- Vancouver/Canada is first ITk EC site to qualify
  - Automated loading using robotic gantry
  - All placements within specification  $\pm 50\mu\text{m}$
  - Exercised full Canadian production workflow
  - Assembly of first PPB petal in preparation

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- Single module PPB petal assembled at special request
- Sent to DESY for system test Preparation and readout (FELIX) development at NIKHEF



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# Science & Technology – Particle Physics

## ALPHA

- Helped organization of Testing Gravity Conference at SFU Downtown, Jan 18-21, 2023
- Collaboration meeting at U. Brescia, Italy, Feb 2-4
- Discussion with Frederic Sirois (Montreal) on HiTc superconducting magnet R&D for HAICU
- CERN new year reception, Jan 30
- Physics Colloquium at U Manitoba this week
- ALPHA-g first data being analyzed



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### TESTING GRAVITY 2023

18-21 JANUARY 2023, SFU HARBOUR CENTER, VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA

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Testing Gravity returns to SFU Harbour Centre January 18-21, 2023, following a pause due to the COVID pandemic. Testing Gravity 2023 (TG2023) will be the 4th Testing Gravity conference hosted in-person by SFU, bringing together leading experts on various ways of testing laws of gravity. Testing Gravity remains a topical theme because of the unexplained nature of dark matter and dark energy and the long-standing failure to reconcile gravity with quantum physics. Like the 2015, 2017 and 2019 meetings, TG2023 will feature latest updates from gravitational wave and astrophysical observatories, lab-based experiments, as well as discussions of recent theoretical advances. The conference aims to provide theorists working on extensions of General Relativity with a realistic perspective on what aspects of their theories can be tested. On the other hand, the experimentalists and observers will get a chance to learn about new ideas that their experiments can test.

Wednesday, January 18th, will feature a "school" with five review lectures given by some of the invited speakers providing background into the key topics covered by the conference. The main conference, January 19-21, will include invited and contributed talks, and a poster session.

**Invited Speakers:**

- Hartmut Abele (Vienna)
- Niayesh Afshordi (Perimeter/Waterloo)
- Emanuele Berti (Johns Hopkins)
- Cliff Burgess (Perimeter)
- Claudia de Rham (Imperial)
- Pedro Ferreira (Oxford)
- Ruth Gregory (Kings College)
- Lam Hui (Columbia)
- Mark Kasevich (Stanford)
- Justin Khoury (U Penn)

**Topics on Agenda:**

- gravitational waves
- astrophysical tests, pulsars, black holes
- terrestrial laboratory tests, gravity on short distances
- cosmological probes: CMB, 21 cm, redshift surveys, weak lensing
- particle cosmology, dark matter
- modified gravity theories
- quantum gravity and emergent gravity

**Wednesday School Lectures:**



CERN new year reception



ALPHA collab meeting in Brescia U.

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# Science & Technology – Theory

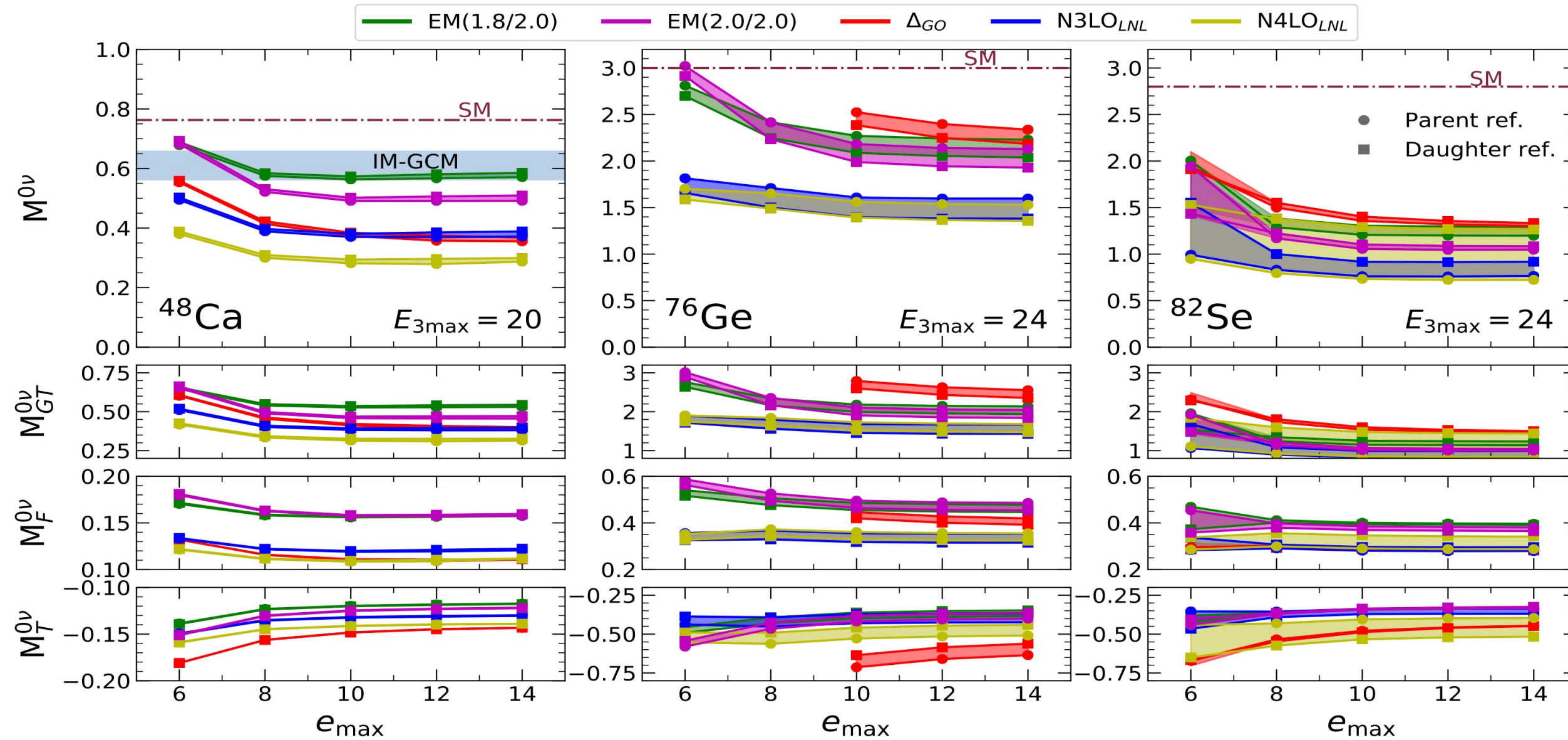
## Neutrinoless double beta decay & muon capture on nuclei – theory insights

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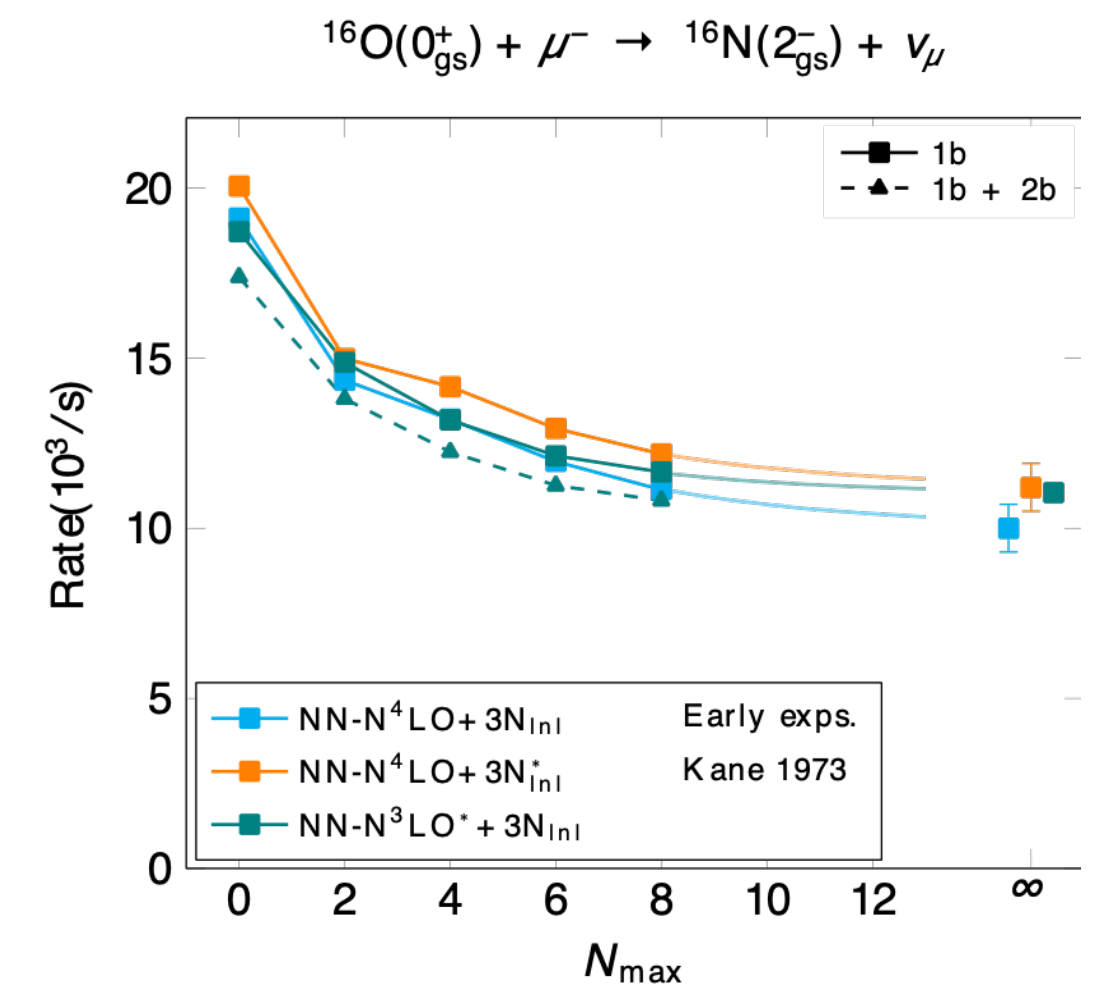
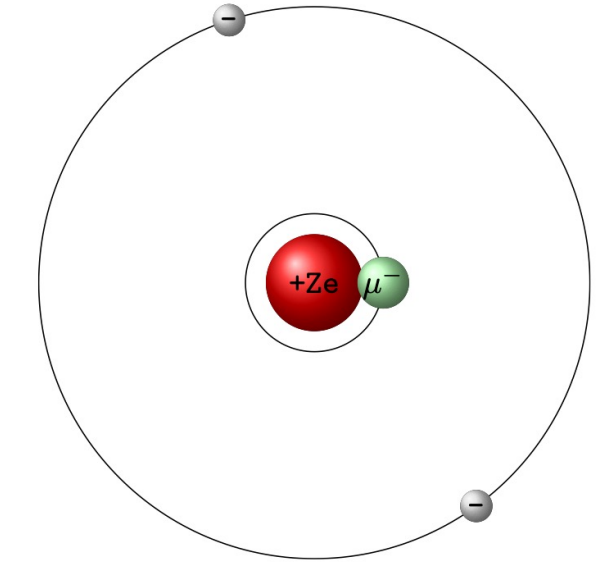
Nuclear theory needed to extract the neutrino mass from the neutrinoless double beta decay half-life measurements

### Ab Initio $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay: $^{48}\text{Ca}$ , $^{76}\text{Ge}$ and $^{82}\text{Se}$

Results with 5 different input hamiltonians to study uncertainty from interaction choice.



$\mu$  capture calculations  
validate  $0\nu\beta\beta$  predications  
- related physics



Published ( $^{24}\text{Mg}$ )  
and ongoing ( $^{16}\text{O}$ ) *ab initio* calculations

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*Ab initio* calculation of muon capture on  $^{24}\text{Mg}$

L. Jokiniemi<sup>1,2,3</sup>, T. Miyagi<sup>3,4,5</sup>, S. R. Stroberg<sup>6,7</sup>, J. D. Holt<sup>3,8</sup>, J. Kotila<sup>9,10,11</sup> and J. Suhonen<sup>11</sup>

New calculations of  $0\nu\beta\beta$  matrix elements  
improving on 2021 PRL

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **126**, 042502 (2021)

*Ab Initio* Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay Matrix Elements for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ , and  $^{82}\text{Se}$

A. Belley<sup>1,2,3</sup>, C. G. Payne<sup>1,3,f</sup>, S. R. Stroberg<sup>4</sup>, T. Miyagi<sup>1</sup> and J. D. Holt<sup>1,2,\*</sup>



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Two-neutrino  $\beta\beta$  decay of  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  to the first excited  $0^+$  state in  $^{136}\text{Ba}$

L. Jokiniemi<sup>a,\*</sup>, B. Romeo<sup>b</sup>, C. Brase<sup>c,d,e</sup>, J. Kotila<sup>f,g,h</sup>, P. Soriano<sup>i,j</sup>, A. Schwenk<sup>c,d,e</sup>, J. Menéndez<sup>i,j</sup>





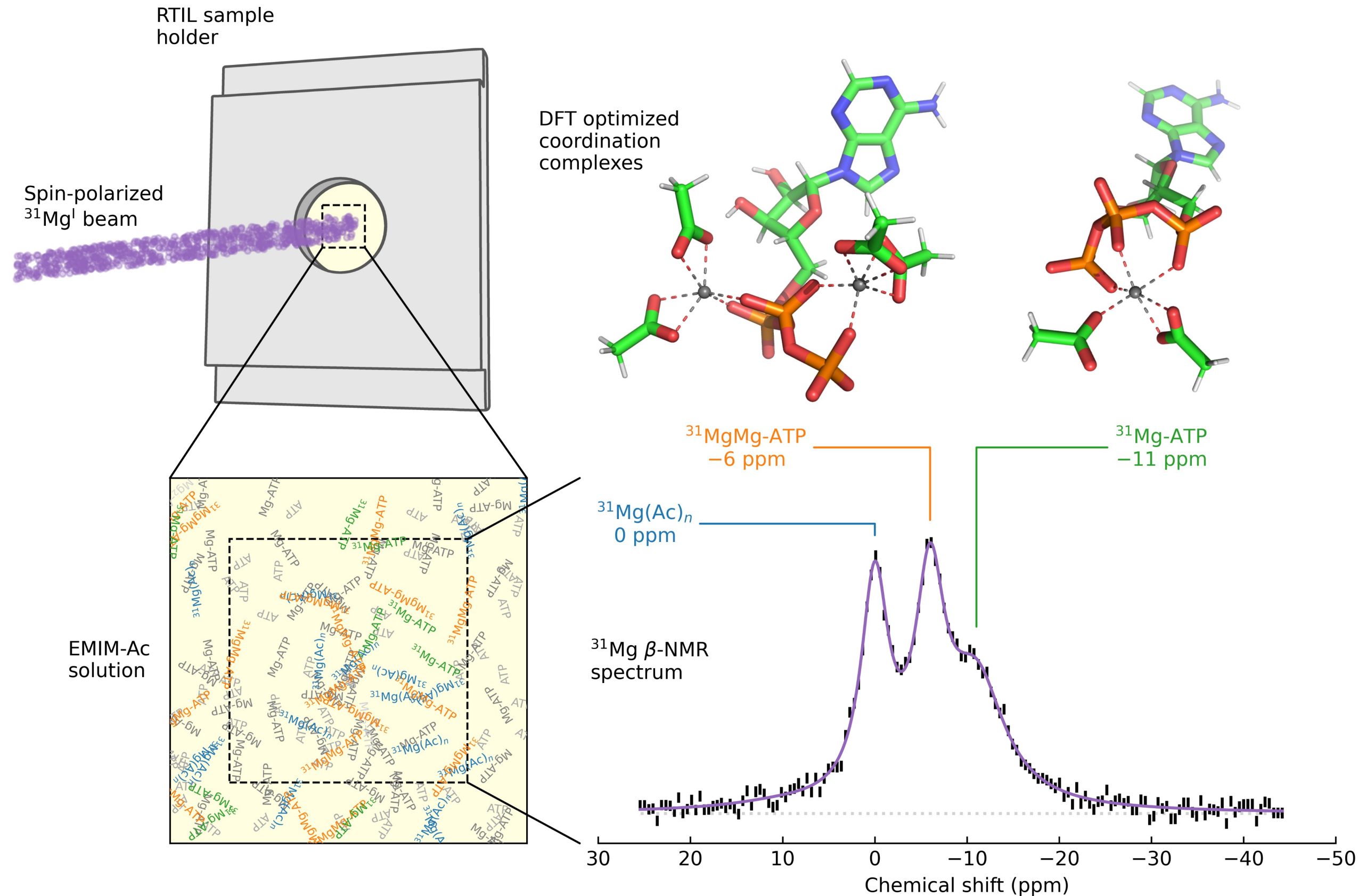
# Science & Technology – Materials Science

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## Magnesium(II)-ATP Complexes in 1-Ethyl-3-Methylimidazolium Acetate Solutions Characterized by $^{31}\text{Mg}$ $\beta$ -Radiation-Detected NMR Spectroscopy



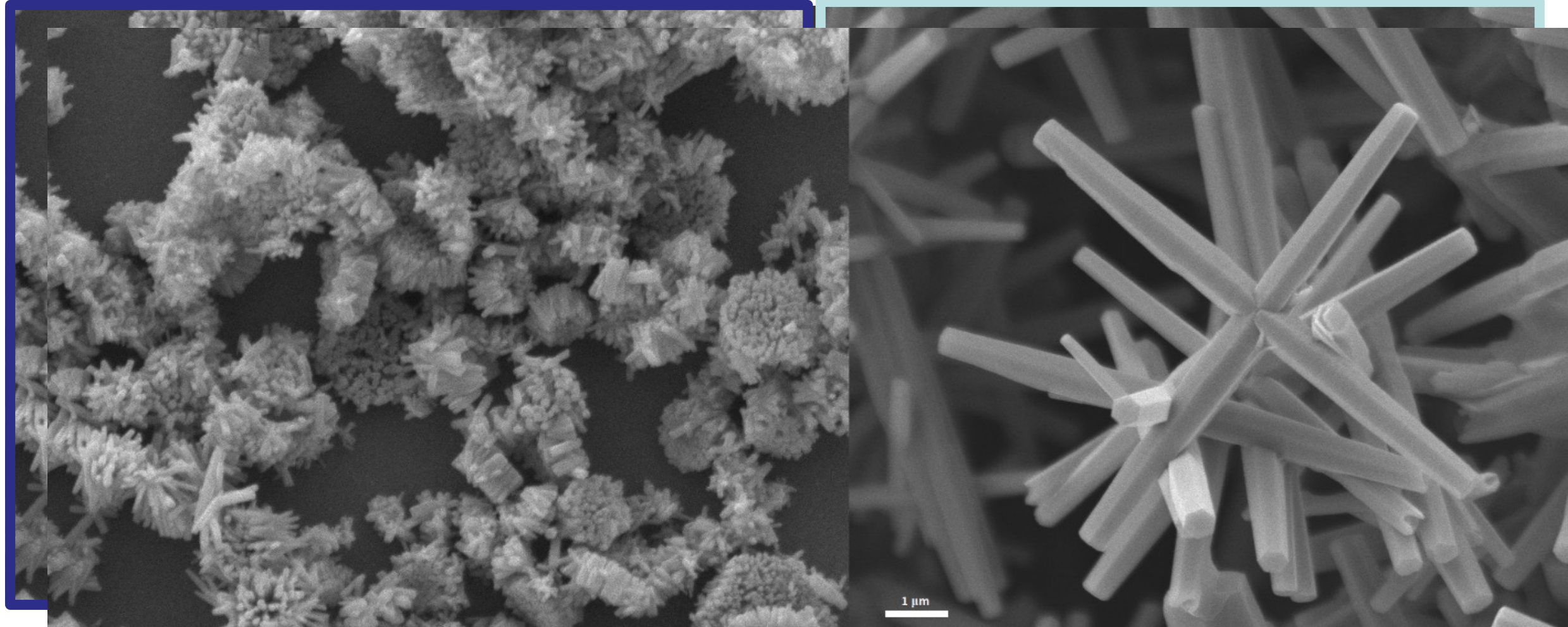
- This highlight showcases a novel use of  $\beta$ -NMR spectroscopy to study coordination chemistry in solution.
- The resonance of the spin-1/2  $\beta$ -emitter  $^{31}\text{Mg}$  reveals distinct  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  binding modes with the biomolecule adenosine triphosphate (ATP).
- The measured chemical shifts are in good agreement with quantum chemical calculations, confirming their assignment.
- This work constitutes an important advancement towards the application of  $\beta$ -NMR spectroscopy in *biochemistry*.



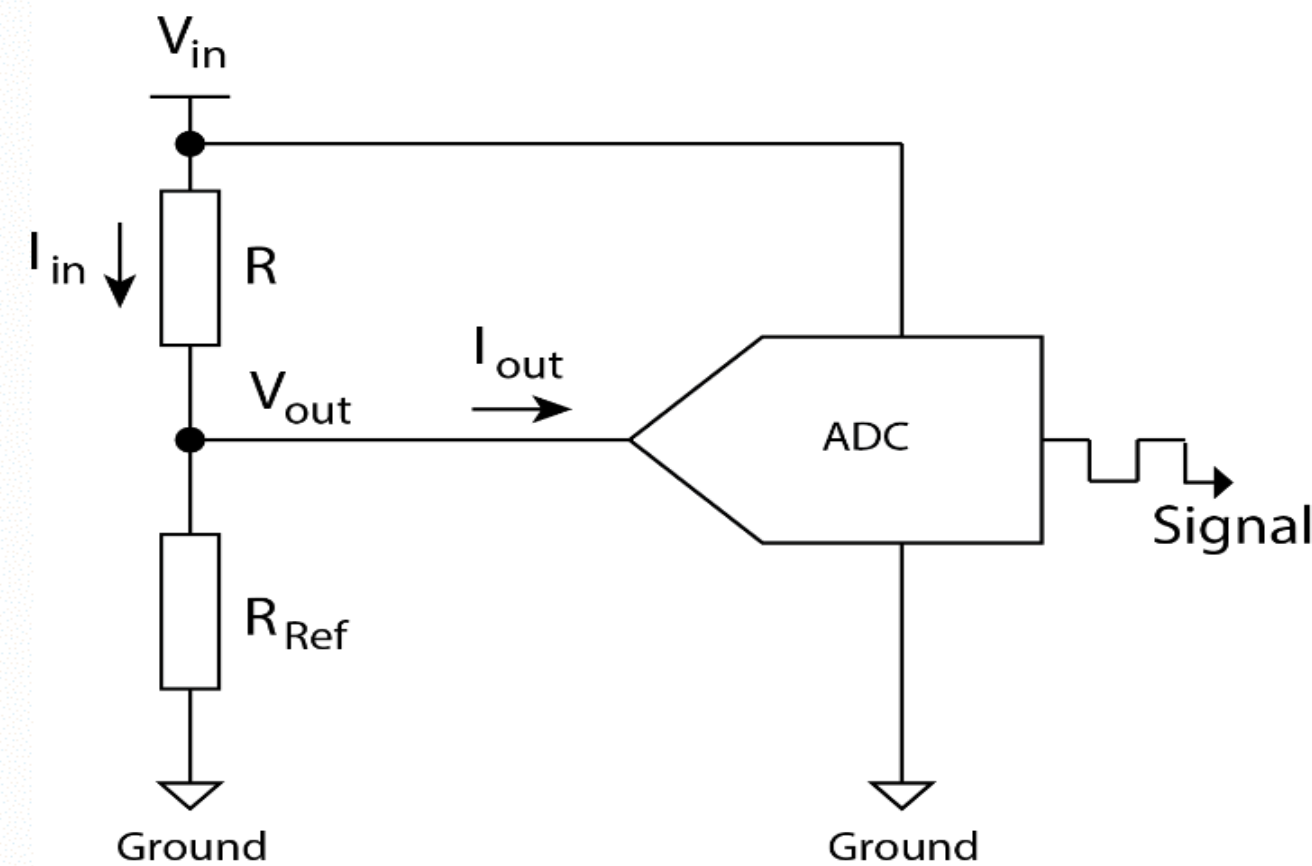
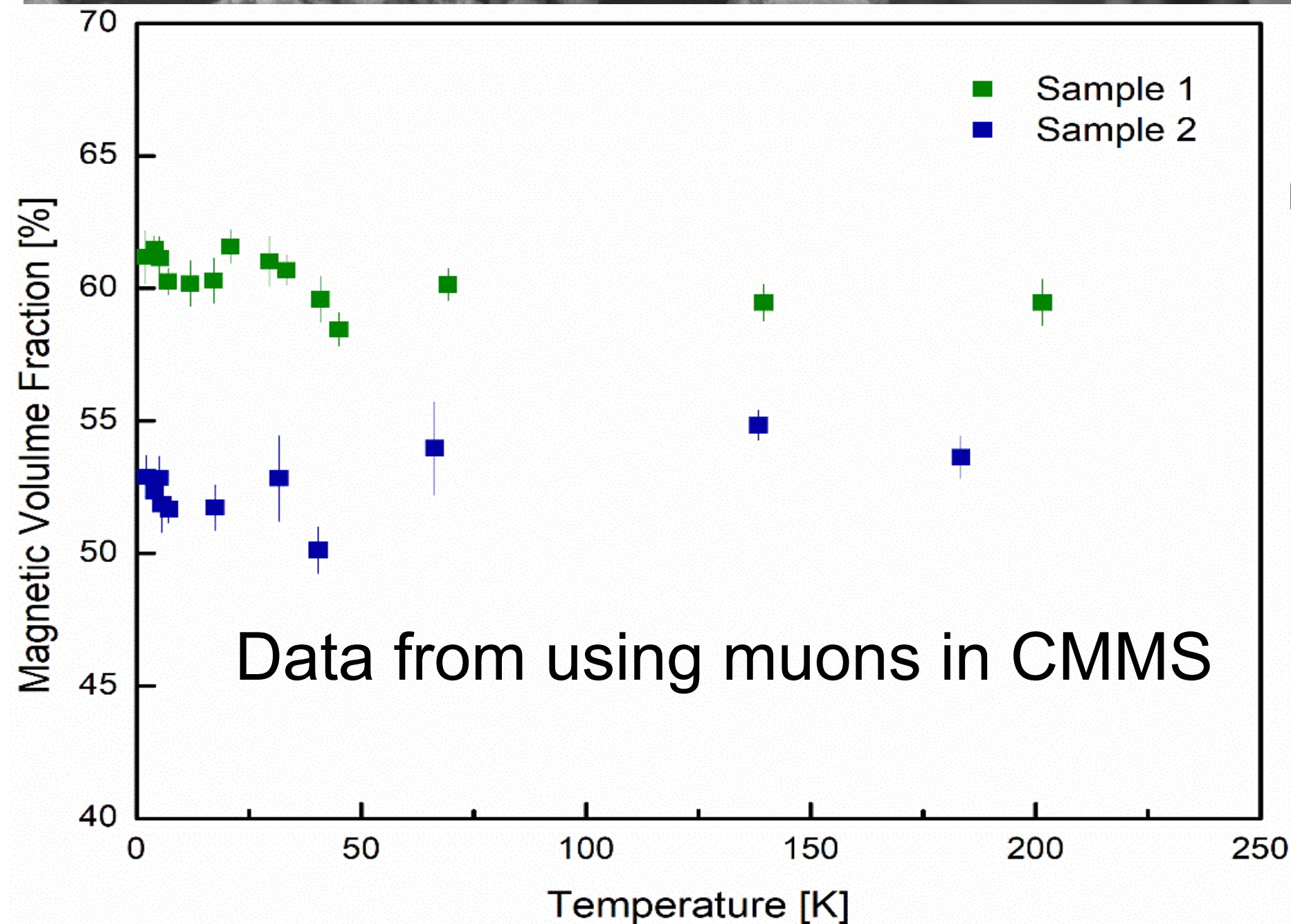
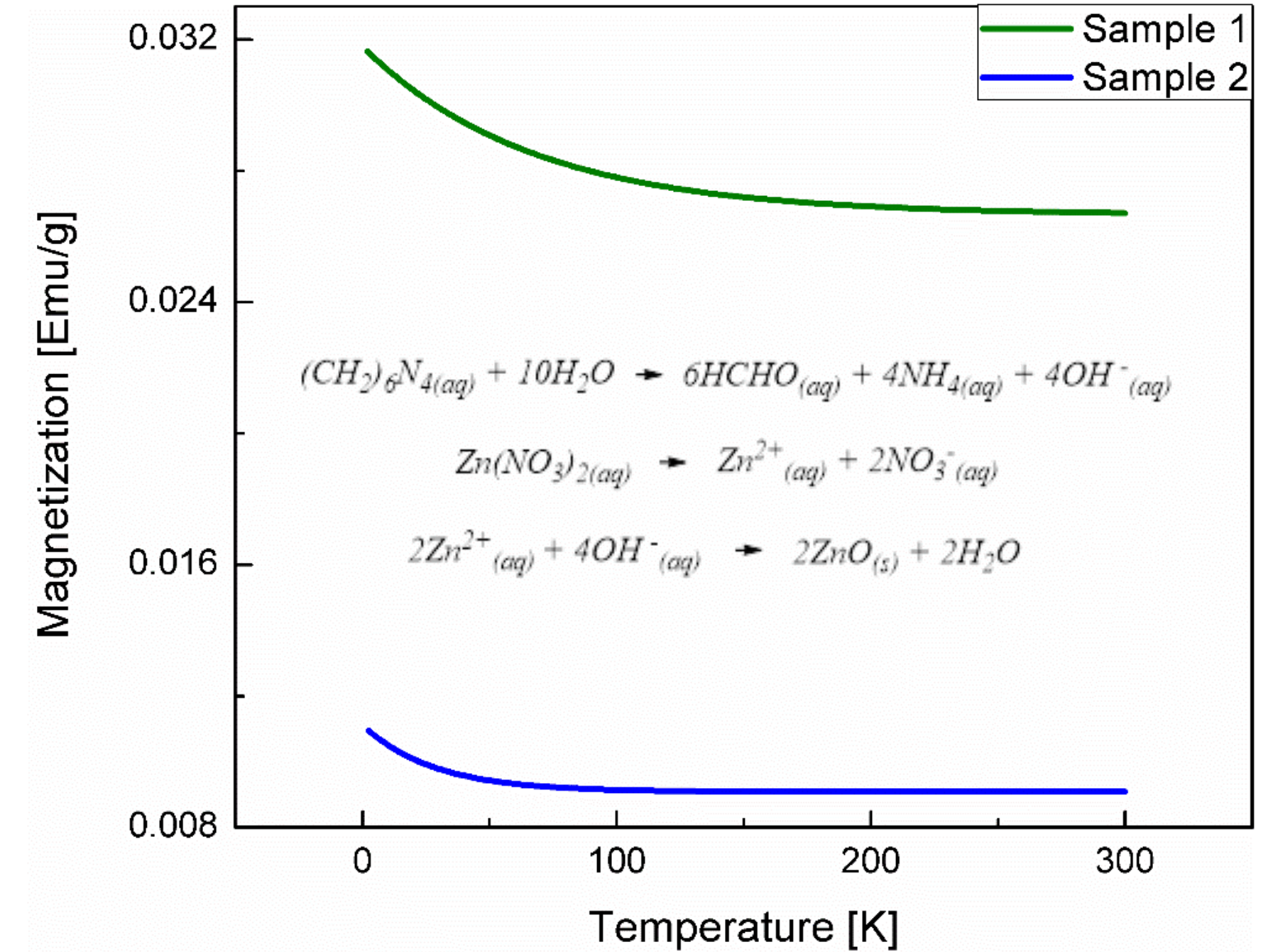
# Science & Technology – Materials Science

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## Basic science at CMMS/TRIUMF nourished nanomaterial innovations



**Apply these materials in biosensing**

**Most important result:**  
**CMMS data when used along with lots of other characterization techniques helped us to solve the puzzle of why with magnetic field and gravity, we could change the magnetic properties of an otherwise inherently diamagnetic material. This resulted in developing biosensors for different pathogens based on the control of magnetic properties.**