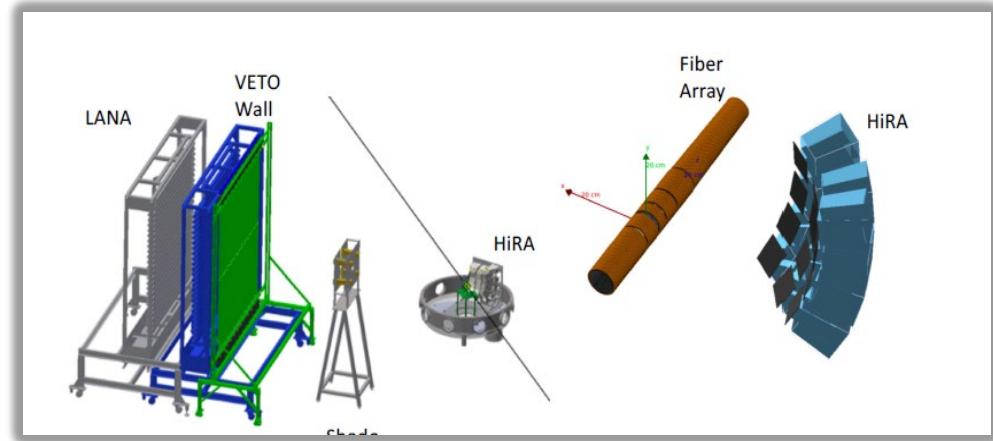
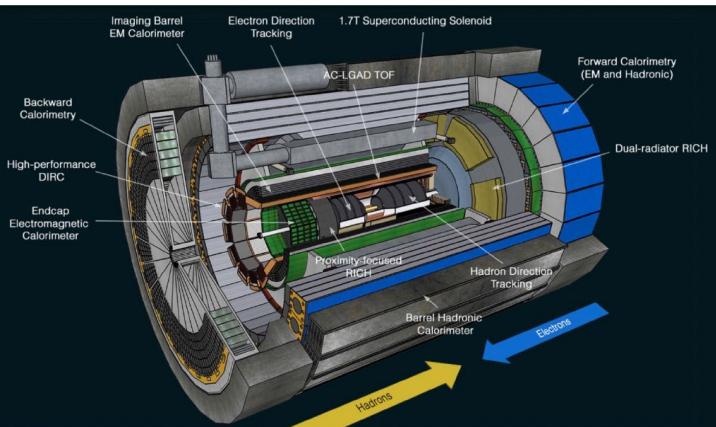
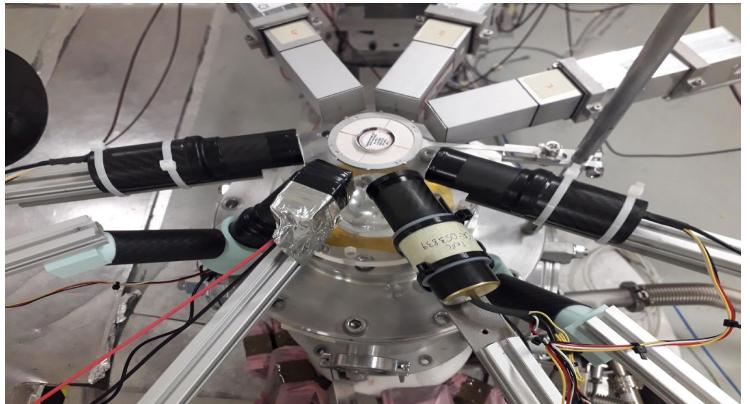


Gruppo III Sezione di Catania Preventivi 2025

A. Badalà - INFN Sezione CT



Riunione CSN3 -Acitrezza - Settembre 2023



Esperimenti CT in CSN3 2025

ALICE 6.7 FTE - 9 R&T

Resp. CT P. La Rocca

EIC_NET -> EPIC 1.5 FTE - 7 R&T

Resp. CT C. Tuvè

N-TOF 1.7 FTE - 2 R&T

Resp. CT MG. Pellegriti

CHIRONE 9.37 FTE - 12 R&T

Resp. CT G. Politi

JLAB12 4.75 FTE - 7 R&T

Resp. CT MA. Bondì

NUCL-EX 2.6 FTE - 4 R&T

Resp. CT G. Verde

Richieste 2025

492 kE + 26.4 s.j.

26.62 FTE

Responsabili nazionali in Sezione:

Sara Pirrone (CHIRONE)

Giuseppe Verde (NUCL-EX)

Richiesta Dotazioni gruppo3

FTE	Missioni (kE)	Consumo (kE)	Seminari (kE)	Pubbl. (kE)	Inventario (kE)	Tot (kE)
26.62	16.5 + 9.5	13.5	2.5 + 5.0	5.5	21.5	74

Mobilità coordinatore +
partecipazione
conferenze per FTE

Richieste ad personam per
mobilità persone in
comitati/commissioni di
interesse INFN o per
referee non coordinatori

NUSDAF - Nuclear Structure, Dynamics and Astrophysics at FRIB (MSU)

Proposta di accordo/convenzione fra INFN (CSN3) ed FRIB per attività di ricerca in struttura e dinamica nucleare con fasci radioattivi ad energie E/A=100-250 MeV.

Inizio settembre incontro Giunta (Bettoni) + Pres. CSN3 con direzione FRIB per discutere accordo

- **Fase 1: 2025-2027 - Esplorativa**

Tests, partecipazione ad esperimenti già approvati (Nucl_ex e Asfin), preparazione LoIs e proposals

Per NUCL_EX: esperimento 23058 approvato + test blocchi FAZIA e altri rivelatori interessati (Farcos, Oscar, ...) + test accoppiamenti con detectors HiRA e LANA

- **Fase 2: 2027-2030 - Setup e Misure**

Completamento montaggi e campagne di misura

- **Fase 3: > 2030 - Misure**

Altre campagne con esperimenti approvati da PAC

Disponibilità di FRIB400 a più alte E/A e $\rho/\rho_0 > 2.5$

Linee ricerca NUSDAF



Sinergia fra 5 sigle di CSN3 (ASFIN2, CHIRONE, GAMMA, NUCL_EX, NUMEN)
+ 2 iniziative specifiche di CSN4 (MONSTRE, NUCSYS)

1. *SYMEOS - Symmetry energy and Equation of State (NUCL_EX, CHIRONE)*

Heavy-ion collisions, collective flow, particle-particle correlations, femtoscopy, resonance decays

2. *GASPEC - Gamma & Charged Particle Spectroscopy and Collective Excitations (GAMMA, NUCL_EX, CHIRONE)*

Shell evolution towards drip lines, collective excitations,, gamma spectroscopy, charged particle spectroscopy

3. *RIBDCE - Radioactive Ion Beam induced Double-Charge Exchange reactions (NUMEN, NUCL_EX)*

Cross sections for DCE, nuclear matrix elements in neutrinoless double-beta decay, few-body quantum systems, three-body forces, etc.

4. *NUSYC - Nucleosynthesis and Clustering (ASFIN2, CHIRONE)*

Nucleosynthesis, r-, rp-process... clusters...

5. *THEOF - Theoretical nuclear physics at FRIB (MONSTRE, NUCSYS @ CSN4)*

Modelli per struttura e dinamica, few- and many-body systems, meccanismi di reazione

- Isospin transport and symmetry energy in HIC
- INDRA-FAZIA @ GANIL, RAON (MoU), **FRIB (new line NUSDAF)**
- Clustering phenomena in nuclei (stable and exotic) and in nuclear matter under extreme conditions
- OSCAR @ LNL, FAZIA@LNS, GANIL
- HIC at low energies
- GARFIELD @ LNL
- Nuclear structure and nuclear astrophysics with direct reactions
- OSCAR @ LNL, ACTAR @ GANIL
- X17 and signals of BSM physics
- New equipment @ LNL

Attività NUCL-EX 2025



Realizzazione dispositivo **OSCAR**

-In corso (Si-strip, Si-pad, elettronica associata): 4 blocchi completi + spare detectors and electronics (molti esperimenti a LNL e test per possibili campagne ad WMU e FRIB)

- **ACTAR e GARFIELD**

- 1 Esperimento a LNL con GARFIELD appena concluso

- Esperimento a GANIL "Measurement of ${}^8\text{Li}(\alpha, n){}^{11}\text{B}$ cross section with ACTAR" proposto da M.G. Pellegriti appena concluso (Giugno): analisi dati in 2025

- **X17 @ LNL**: raccolta dati continua

- **INDRA-FAZIA @ GANIL**

- Due nuovi proposal approvati e schedulati nel 2025

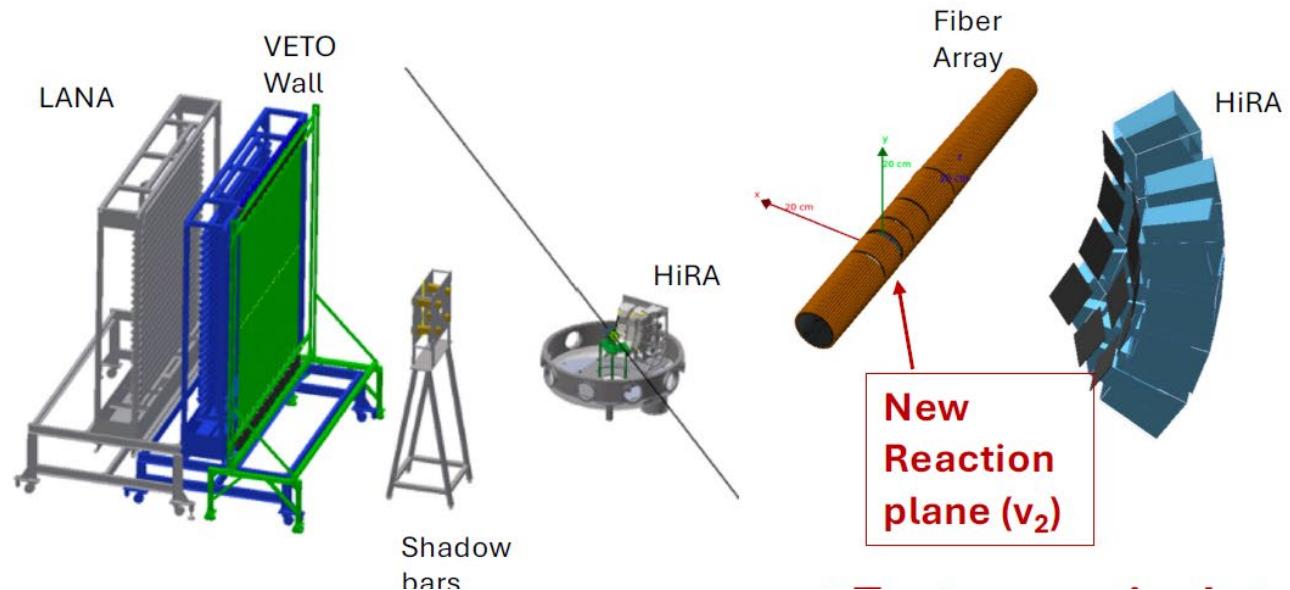
1. Measurement of the ${}^{12}\text{C}$ Hoyle state radius via double-excitation inelastic scattering
2. Impact of projectile-target size asymmetry on the isospin equilibration rate extracted from quasi-projectile breakup reactions

- **Collaborazione FRIB - nuovo progetto NUSDAF**

New proposal 23058 @ PAC2 FRIB

$^{56,70}\text{Ni} + ^{58,64}\text{Ni}$ E/A = 175 MeV

Constraining the momentum
dependence of the symmetry energy
and n/p effective masses with n/p
elliptic flow and energy spectra



- Proposal signed FAZIA (NUCL_EX):
G. Verde, I. Lombardo, T. Marchi, D. Dell'Aquila et al. @ INFN
D. Gruyer, A. Chbihi, C. Ciampi, J.F. Ducret, Q. Fable @ IN2P3-GANIL
- Approved by PAC2 on February 2023 (^{56}Ni at 10^7 p/s and ^{70}Ni at 3×10^5 p/s)
- To be run... 2024-2025(?) at higher beam rates available

NUCL-EX Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025



FTE	Missioni	Consumo	Trasp	Inv	Totale (kE)
2.6	51.5 + 19.4 s.j.	26	5	-	82.5 + 19.4 s.j.

R&T	Qualifica	Percentuale
E. Lanza	Ass. Senior	0
I. Lombardo	RTdB/Ricercatore	0
M.G. Pellegriti	Ricercatore	20
L. Redigolo	PhD	100
M. Russo	Prof. Ordinario	50
G. Verde	Primo Ric.	90

Servizio	m.p.
Elettronica	4
Tecnologie Avanzate	2

CHIRONE CNS3 2021-2025



Attività apparati CHIMERA e FARCOS

- Transizione da analogico a digitale dell'elettronica e del Sistema di acquisizione di CHIMERA;
- Sviluppo di un sistema di trasmissione dei segnali da single end a differenziale realizzato dal servizio Elettronica

Attività @GSI

- Attività Collaborazione R3B (NEULAND)
- Esperimento ASYEOS II -EOS Energia di Simmetria ($\rho > \rho_0$)

Attività preparatorie per sperimentazione con fasci, stabili ed esotici, HI @LNS

- Studio sistemi tagging in CHIMERA per fasci esotici in-flight
- Preparazione nuovi esperimenti

Sviluppo rivelatore particelle cariche/neutroni

- Realizzazione di un dimostratore

Attività @HIL-Warsaw

- Caratterizzazione nuovi rivelatori
- Studio di effetti di clustering

Analisi dati esperimenti pregressi

- Dinamica delle reazioni -Cronologia emissione -EOS Energia di Simmetria -Influenza dell'isospin sui meccanismi reazione -Cluster -Condensati di Bose

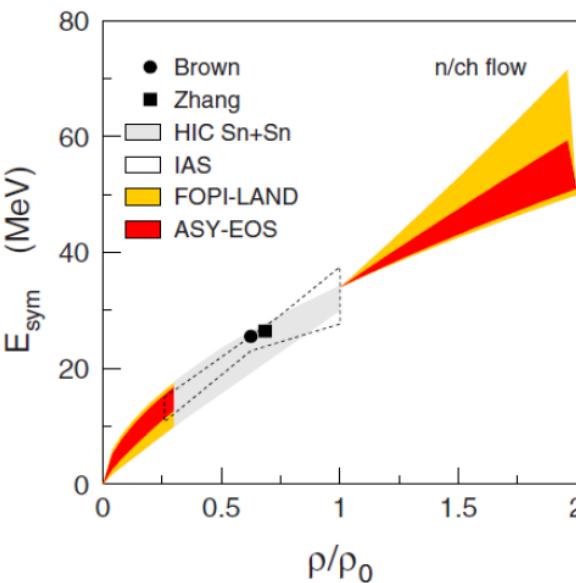
Attività @SPES

- Estensione studi influenza dell'isospin sui meccanismi di reazione (LOI@SPES)

CHIRONE at R3B@GSI

2025 planned activities: ASY-EOSII experiment (advancing Symmetry Energy studies towards high densities) approved by G-PAC, scheduled March 2025 Spokeperson P. Russotto

Au+Au @ 400 AMeV

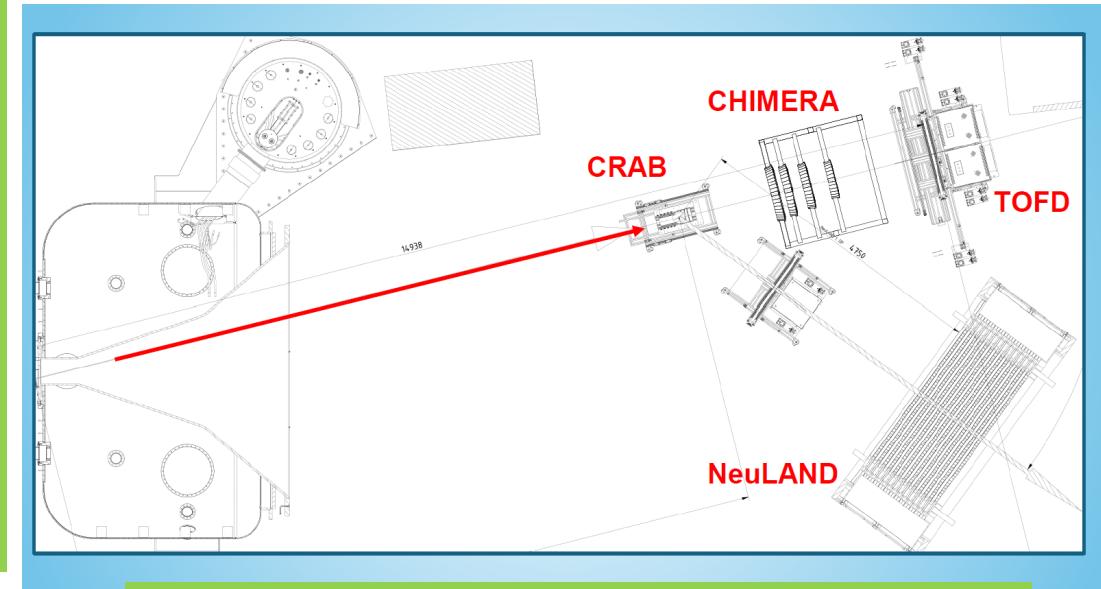


P. Russotto et al.,
PRC 94, 034608 (2016)

Density to be probed in the ASY-EOS II exp, most relevant for neutron star physics

KRAB: new detector for reaction plane determination and on-beam centrality selection

S122 (ASY-EOS II) set-up in Cave C @GSI

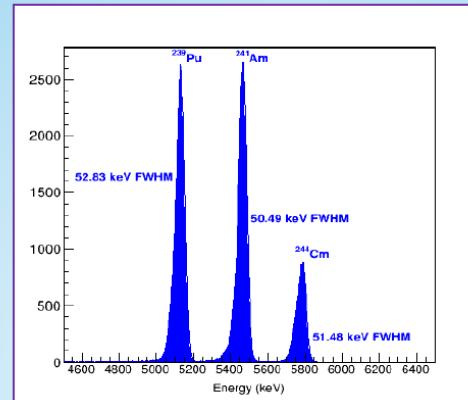
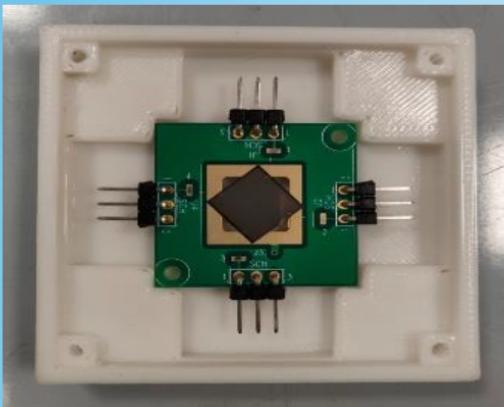


NeuLAND: able to resolve p,d,t

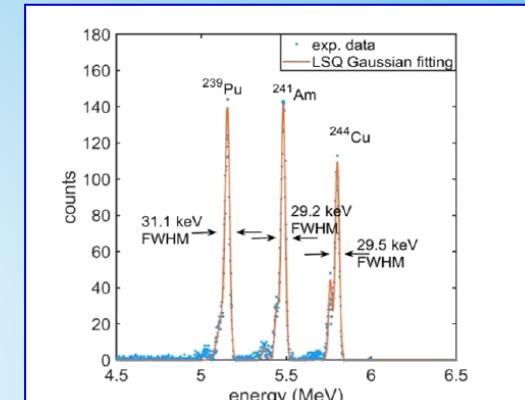
Set-up is going to be arranged and tested at LNS. It should be shipped to GSI on November 2024. Chimera people should start setting up at GSI within this year.

Preliminary results on SiC

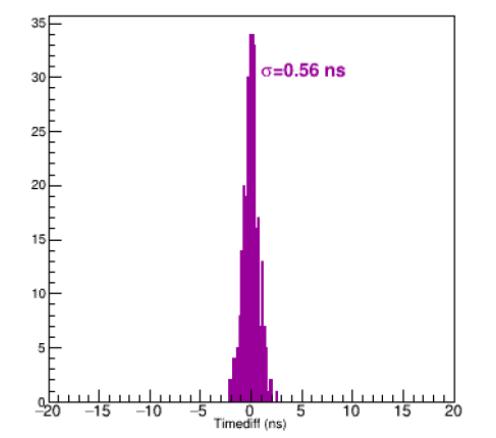
Characterization of 2x2 monolithic SiC detector with a Mesytec preamplifier and a CAEN digitizer DT5742, 1 GHz @LNS



And @ INFN-Milano with ASIC-FARCOS preamplifier



Energy response



In 2024/2025:

- Test at Singletron, DFA Catania, $\text{H}^+ - \text{He}^{++}$ 1-3 MeV
- Test at LABEC, Florence, proton 1-3 MeV
- **T-INSIDE** (spokespersons N.S. Martorana, E. Geraci) - **approved by HIL PAC, Warsaw**, $^{12}\text{C} + ^{12}\text{C}$ @90 MeV with two SiC 2x2 monolithic detectors (pad $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$ - $100 \mu\text{m}$) **in order to extract the time resolution as a function of fragments energy**

Timing response

SAMOTHRACE - Spoke 5 PNRR (up to Oct. 2025)

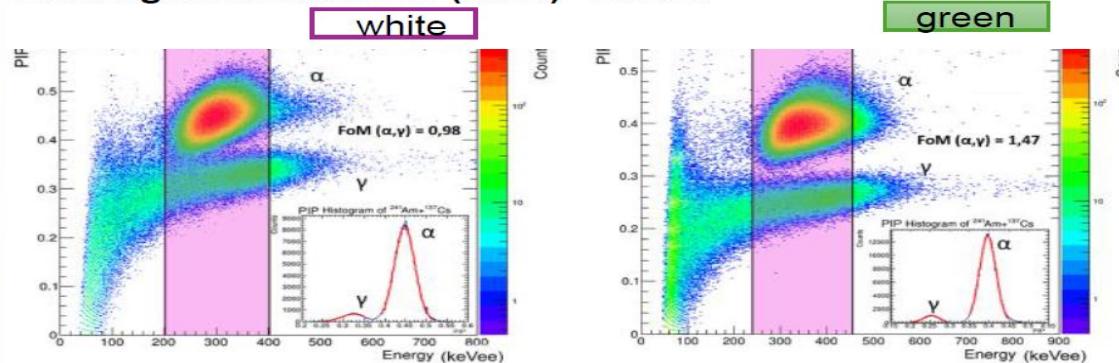
TASK: Design study of a Silicon Carbide (SiC) particle detector for dose measurements in radiation dosimetry and real-time beam monitoring

Advances with NARCOS (Neutron array for correlation studies)

In synergy with PRIN ANCHISE-2020 (3 years starting June2022). Coordinator and spokes:S.Pirrone/A.Pagano(INFN)-G.Politi(Unict) -M.Trimarchi(UniME) -A.Castoldi(PoliMI).

- Plastic scintillator EJ276-Green Type (ex EJ299-33) ($3 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^3$)
- 1 cluster: 4 consecutively cubes (stack configuration) $\rightarrow 3 \times 3 \times 12 \text{ cm}^3$ (64 detection cells)
- Reading the light signal: Si-PM and digitalization
- Modular, reconfigurable (in mechanic and electronic)
- Discrimination of n/γ from PSD (but also light charged particles)
- Energy measurement from ToF ($\Delta t \leq 1 \text{ ns}$ with $L_{\text{ToF}} \approx 1 \div 1.5 \text{ m}$)
TOF measured using the RF of the CS or with an ancillary MCP (low intensity exotic beams)

E.V Pagano NIM A1064 (2024) 169425



see E.V. Pagano et al., NC C47 63 (2024)

E.V. Pagano et al Frontiers in Phys. 10, 1051058 (2023)

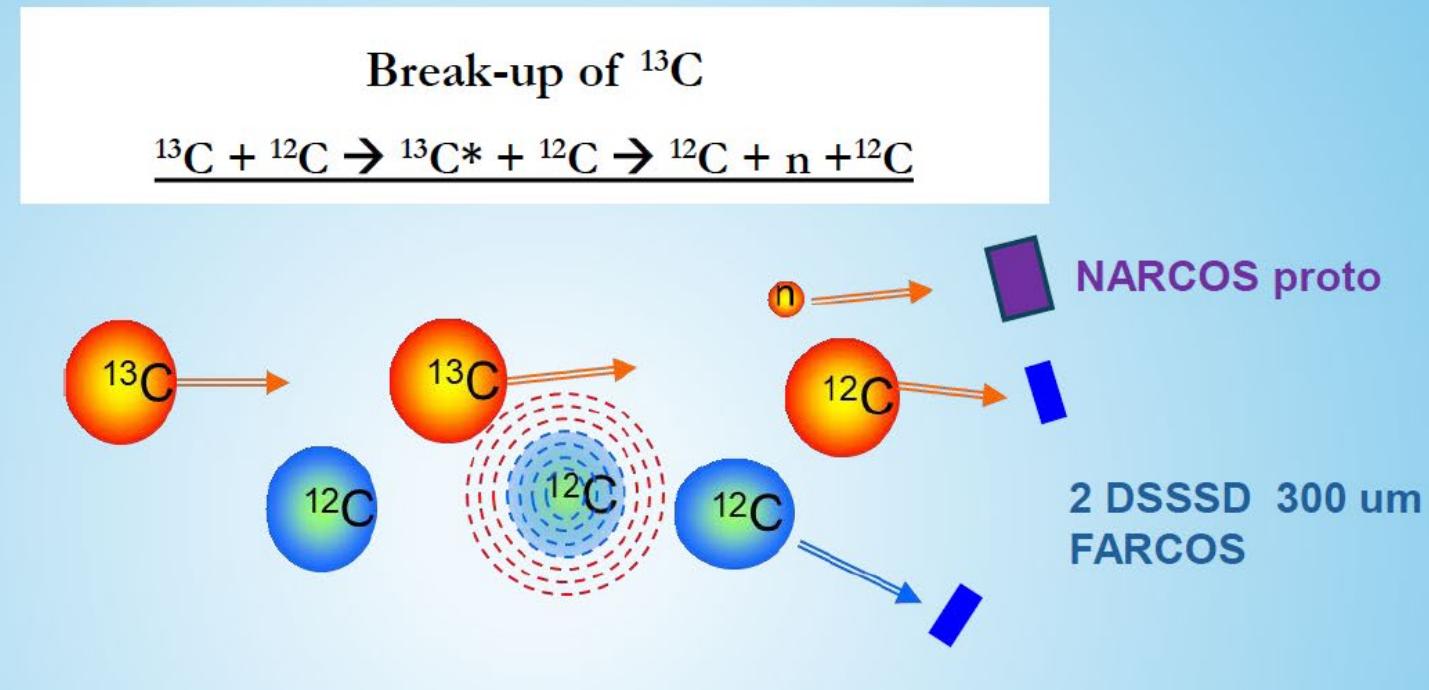
S. Santagati et al, RAD Conf. Proceed. 7, 52 (2023)



Each elementary cell of EJ276G is equipped with a matrix of 25 SiPM (Broadcom 6x6 mm² of 30 μm thickness)

Activity at Heavy Ion Laboratory - Warsaw

MoReNA (spokes B. Gnoffo, E. Pagano) approved by HIL PAC on Jan 2024



CHIRONE Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025

R&T	Qualifica	Percentuale
A. Barbon	PhD PNRR	0 (100 S)
G. Cardella	Dirig. Ric.	80 (20 S)
G. D'Agata	RTDA PNRR	0 (100 S)
E. De Filippo	Primo Ric.	79 (21 S)
E. Geraci	Ricercatore	70
B. Gnoffo	RTDA	100
N.S. Martorana	Tecnologo PNRR(S)	0 (100S)
A. Pagano	Ass. senior	100
M. Papa	Primo Ric.	40
S. Pirrone	Dirig. Ric.	87 (7A+6S)
G. Politi	Prof. Ass.	100
L. Quattrocchi	AdR	100
F. Risitano	AdR	100
M. Trimarchi	Prof. Ass.	70

FTE	Mis sioni	Cons umo	Inv	Traspo rti	Totale (kE)
9.26 +0.07A + 3.47S	100	71	18	7	196

Missioni + Materiali per esperimenti programmati

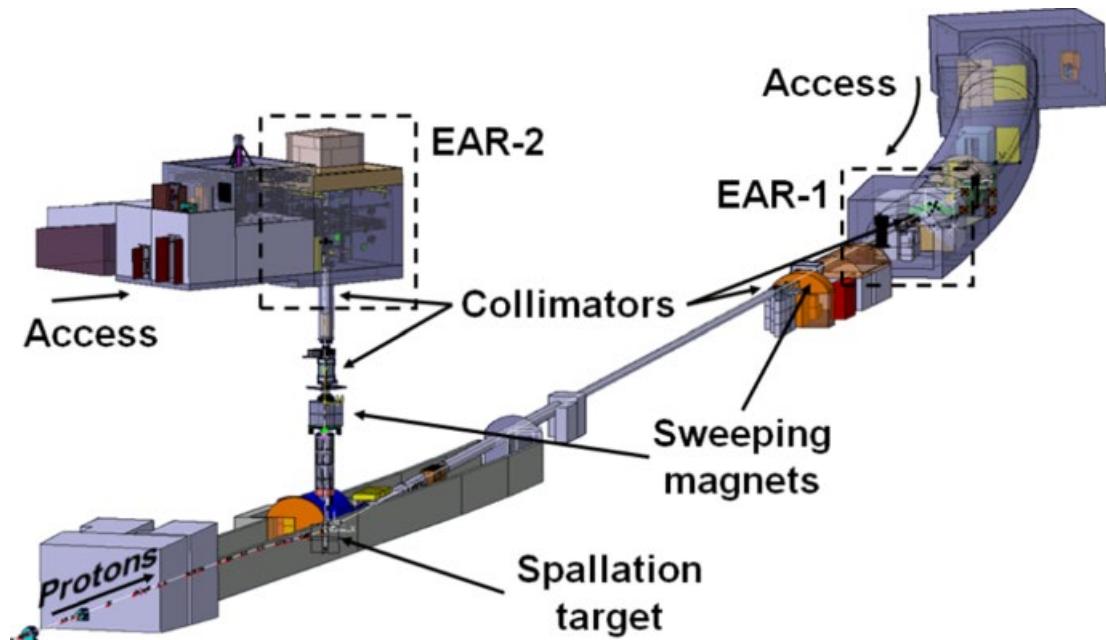
Servizio	Mesi persona
Calcolo e Reti	3.6
Elettronica	9
Tecnologie Avanzate	3

A=PRIN ANCHISE

S=PNRR SAMOTHRACE

n-TOF

- The *n_TOF* facility@CERN
- Experimental activities:
 - A new experimental approach for replacing the C_6D_6 for $n-\gamma$ capture reactions:
stilbene detectors development
 - Moving further to $n-n$ and $n-n'$ elastic and inelastic scattering measurements
 - The new stilbene detector array



n_TOF is a **spallation** neutron source based on **20 GeV/c protons** from the CERN PS hitting a **Pb block** (~360 neutrons per proton).

Experimental area at **185 m**.

Stilbene detectors development

LoI for stilbene detector development @ n_TOF

- April 2023 CERN-INTC-2023-034 / INTC-I-254

Spokespersons: J. Balibrea-Correa & A. Musumarra

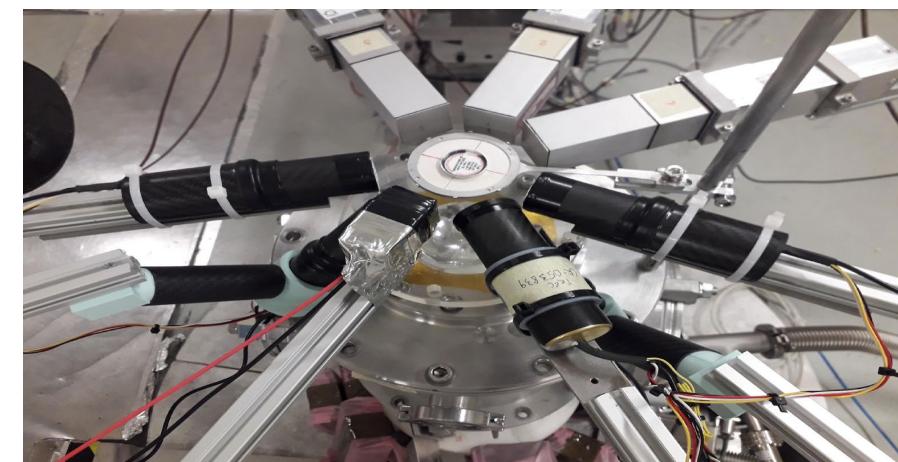
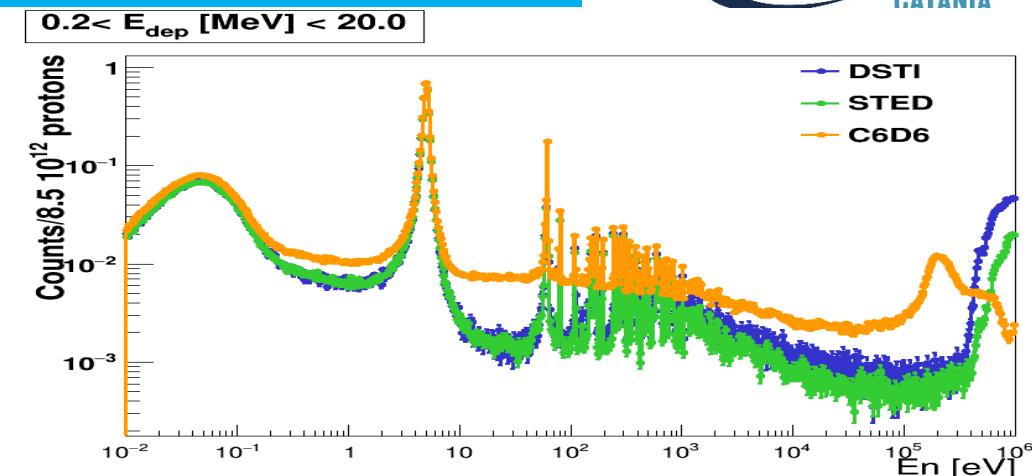
Studied the performance of regular and deuterated stilbene (stilbene-d12) scintillation crystals with respect to state-of-the-art C6D6 (Deuterated Benzene) liquid scintillators and segmented Total Energy Detectors (sTED).

LoI for elastic and inelastic measurements

EAR1@n_TOF - April 2024 CERN-INTC-2024-028 / INTC-I-274

Spokesperson: M. G. Pellegriti & S. Rudra Narayan

Proposed to study the performances of an array of 8 stilbene scintillators in a $n+^{12}C$ experiment at EAR1, with the aim of proving that the setup is suitable for (n,n) and (n,n') measurements.



Approved on 23/05/2024 -> need for an eight detectors cluster

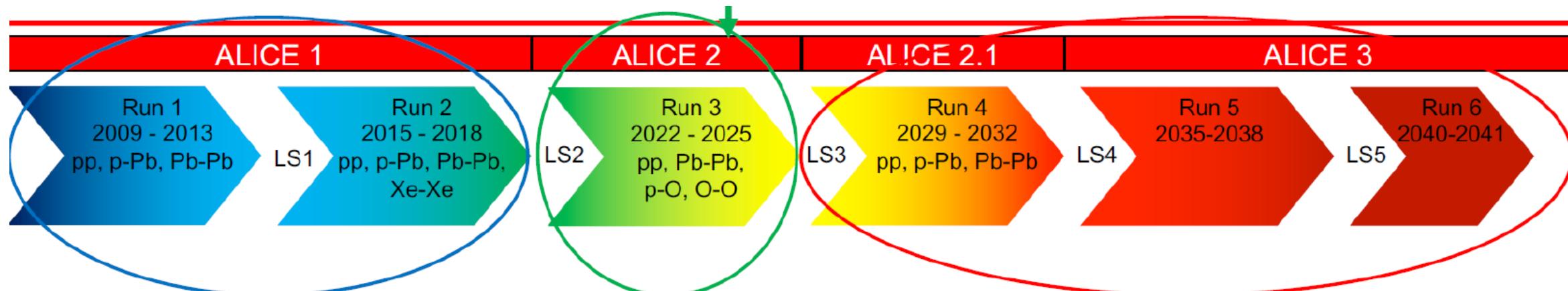
nTOF Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025

FTE	Missioni	Consumo	Trasp	Inv	App	Totale (kE)
1.7	12	2	-	13	13	40

Materiale e missioni per
Misura $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\text{n})^{12}\text{C}$ in EAR1 - Spokes M.G.Pellegriti, S. Rudra Narayan

R&T	Qualifica	Percentuale
A. Musumarra	Prof. Associato	100
M.G. Pellegriti	Ricercatore	70

LHC Roadmap and ALICE evolution



Original ALICE layout
Pb-Pb and small systems

CT-ME contribution:

- Characterization of the sensor prototypes
- Construction (ITS2)

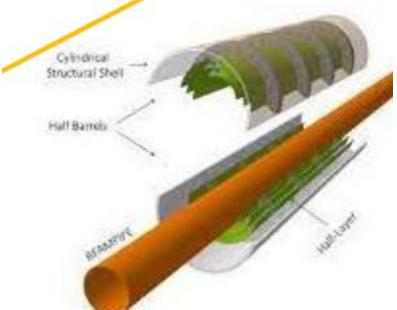
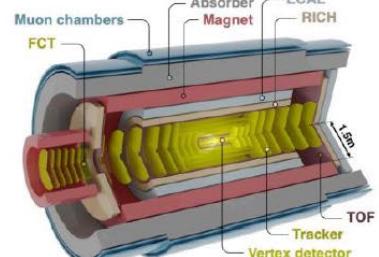
Major upgrade, O2

- Higher readout rate
- Higher performance (ITS2)

Upgrade projects:

- ALICE 2.1: ITS3 and Focal
- ALICE3 (LOI)
 - Upgraded ITS (ITS3)
 - Focal

- New detector layout, based on advanced silicon sensors



ALICE Data taking



RUN 1 + RUN 2
(2010 -2018)

RUN 3 + RUN 4
(2025 -2032)

RUN 5 + RUN 6
(2035 -2038)

pp 0.9, 2.76, 5.02, 7, 8, 13 TeV
p-Pb 5.02, 8.16 TeV
Pb-Pb 2.76, 5.02 TeV
Xe-Xe 5.44 TeV

pp 0.9, 13.6 TeV, 5.5, 8.8, 14 TeV
p-Pb 8.8 TeV
Pb-Pb 5.38 TeV, 5.5 TeV
O-O 7 TeV
p-O 9.9 TeV

pp 13.6, 14 TeV
Ligher AA (O, Ar, Ca, Kr, In, Xe...) ?
No officially approved heavy-ion program yet, but could well change

- Usually, LHC operated 1 month per year with heavy-ion collisions
- No HI run in 2022, HI in 2023/2024/2025 → number of physics days increases due to reduced setup & ramp-up time
- pp run extended by 4 weeks in 2024 (shortened by 4 weeks in 2025 as well)

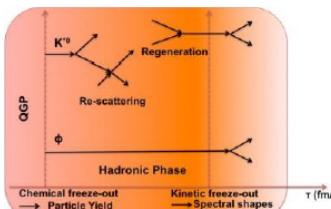
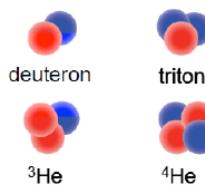
Catania T2 infrastructure is ready
and operational (responsibility:
Monforte, Platania)

Attività Catania - Messina



Data analyses

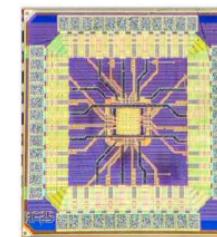
- Light (anti)nuclei production
- Study of short-lived resonances



Experimental activities

- ITS2 commissioning and performance studies
 - Chip characterization for ITS3 upgrade
 - Service work

SHIFT



- CT Tasks:
 - Data Quality Team (QC and Reco checks)
 - Data Quality Team (async QC)
 - ITS2 expert on-call
 - ITS2 performance study (TBD)

Marika Rasà: Deuteron and p production in jets and UE in p-Pb collisions +
Study of the 3H/3He ratio in pp collisions at 13.6 TeV: **Similfellow Project**

Alessandro Sturniolo: Charged K* in pp collisions at 13.6 TeV(RUN3 data) + ITS3

Andrea Sofia Triolo: research activity on ITS2 at CERN

Giuseppe Gallo: PNRR HPC Excited Ω -Baryon with standard and ML algorithms

Caratterizzazione chip ITS3

- Different test structures under test (analog, digital, ...)
- Strong effort from several INFN institutes (CA, CT, BO, TO, TS) for chip characterization

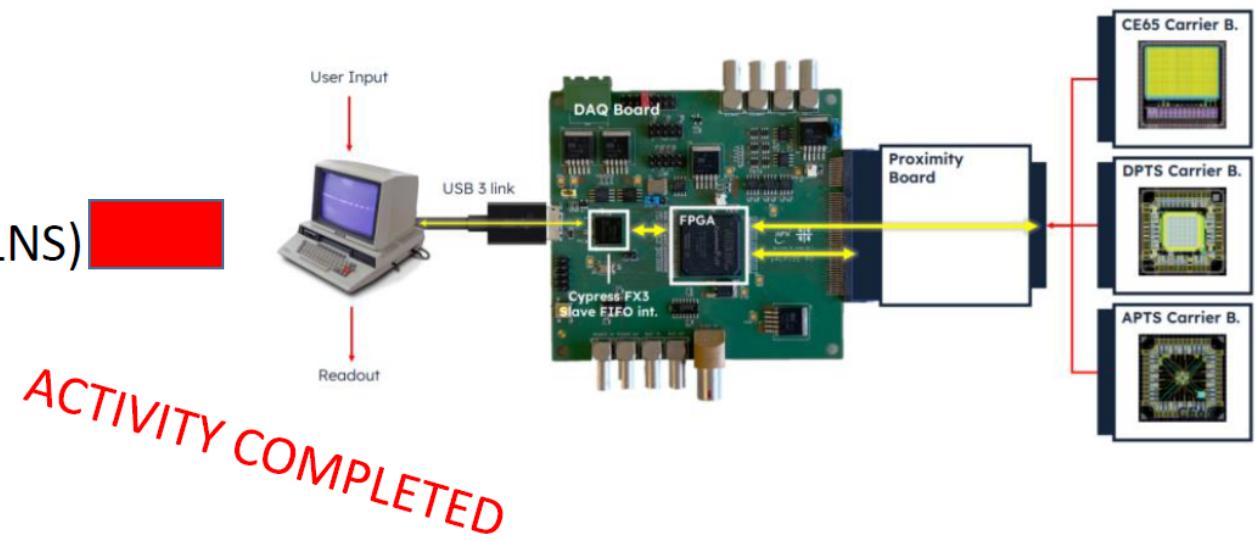
Local activities:

- Test setup fully operational from January 2022
- Optimization of the working point
- Development of analysis code
- Electrical characterization of different chips
- Radioactive source measurements ongoing (@ LNS) 
- Participation to test beam
- Chip bonding
- Tests with laser

[PhD Marika Rasà- CT, Alessandro Sturniolo – ME]

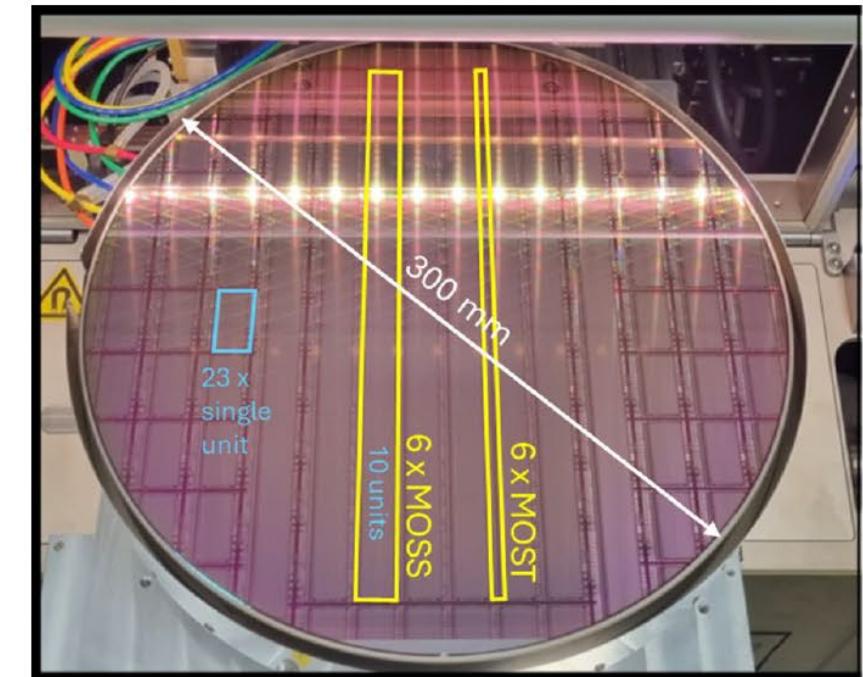
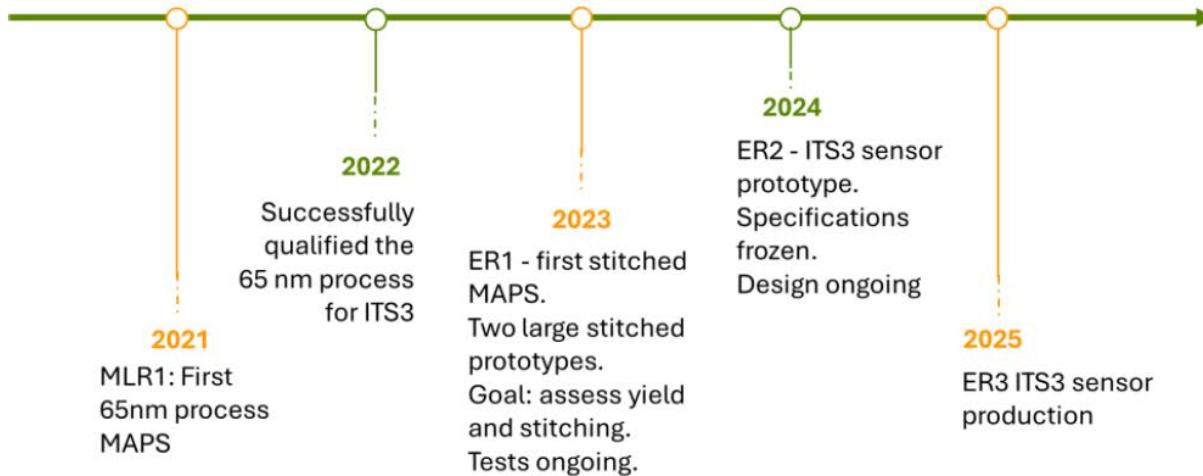
Support from:

- Servizio elettronica (Gaspare, Filippo)
- Servizio tecnologie avanzate (Francesco, Antonio, Nunzio, Domenico...)
- Progettazione meccanica (Antonio)



TDR for the ALICE Inner Tracking System 3
- ITS3 CERN-LHCC-2024-003

Attività future



CHARACTERIZATION OF STITCHED SENSORS

Goals:

- Show feasibility of stitching process
- Understand stitching 'rules', redundancy, fault tolerance

Involvement of the CT team in the test of small stitched sensors (baby-MOSS)

ALICE Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025



R&T	Qualifica	Percentuale
G. Andronico	Primo Tecnologo	20
A. Badalà	Primo Ricercatore	100
G. Gallo	RtdA PNRR	0
P. La Rocca	Prof. Associato	80
G. Mandaglio	Prof. Associato	70
S. Monforte	Tecnologo	30
M. Rasà	PhD	100
F. Raggi	Ass. Senior	0
A. Sturniolo	PhD Me	100
A. Trifirò	Prof. Associato	70
A. S. Triolo	PhD Me	100

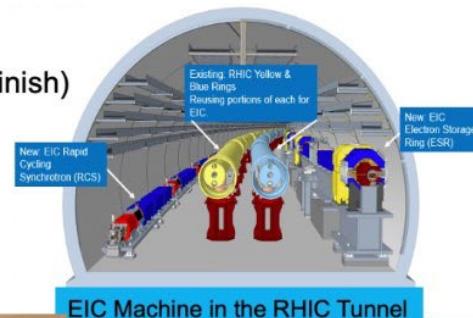
FTE	Missioni	Consumo	Totale (kE)
6.70	46	6.5	52.5

Presa dati e riunioni
collaborazione

Servizio	Mesi persona
Calcolo e Reti	3.6
Elettronica	2
Progettazione meccanica	2
Tecnologie Avanzate	5

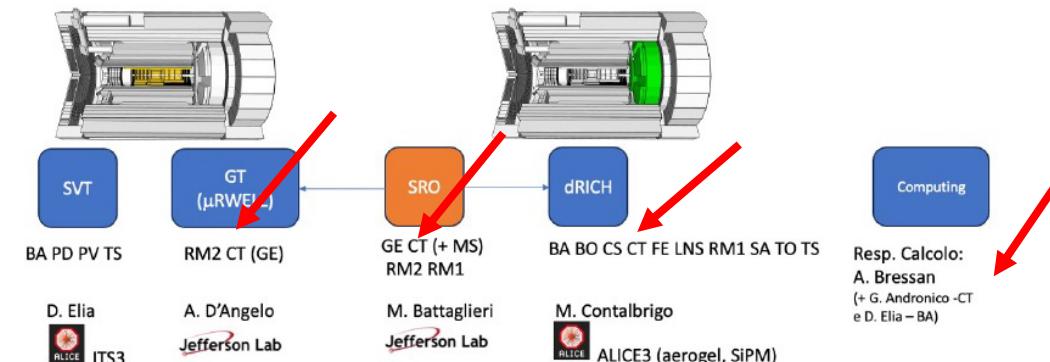
Alla riunione di CSN3 del 18-19 Giugno 2024 è stata ufficialmente approvata l'apertura della sigla EPIC

- 2026 CD-3 Start of Construction
- 2033 CD-4 Start of Operations (Early Finish)
- 2035 CD-4 Start of Operations



ePIC organization and INFN contribution

- dRICH team leaders (all INFN + Duke + Niser) indicated **Marco Contalbrigo** as DSSL (I acted as facilitator/some how convener in the process) (TO GE TS FE BO BA RM1 RM2 CT LNS CS SA are members of dRICH DSSC)
- EIC Silicon Consortium morphed in Silicon Vertex Tracker DSC → **Ernst Sichtermann** as DSSL (LBNL) (PD BA TS PV are members of SVT DSSC)
- Gaseous Trackers (MPGD) → **Kondo Gnavno** (JLab) is DSSL (RM2 + GE/CT)



- Responsabile nazionale role is changing: less “coalescence” work, more “pure INFN coordination” work
- Detector sub-system oriented presentations towards our referees last 31st August

Catania activity in ePIC

- Partecipation at test beam and a quality assurance SiPM for dRICH (C. Tuvè + Catania student)
- MC simulation of EndCap MPGD Disks geometry (M. Bondì)
- SciGLASS characterization (I. Calì thesis)
- Preparation of a large-area cosmic-ray telescope at Uni-Messina (G. Mandaglio, M. Bondì, A. Riggio)



ePIC Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025



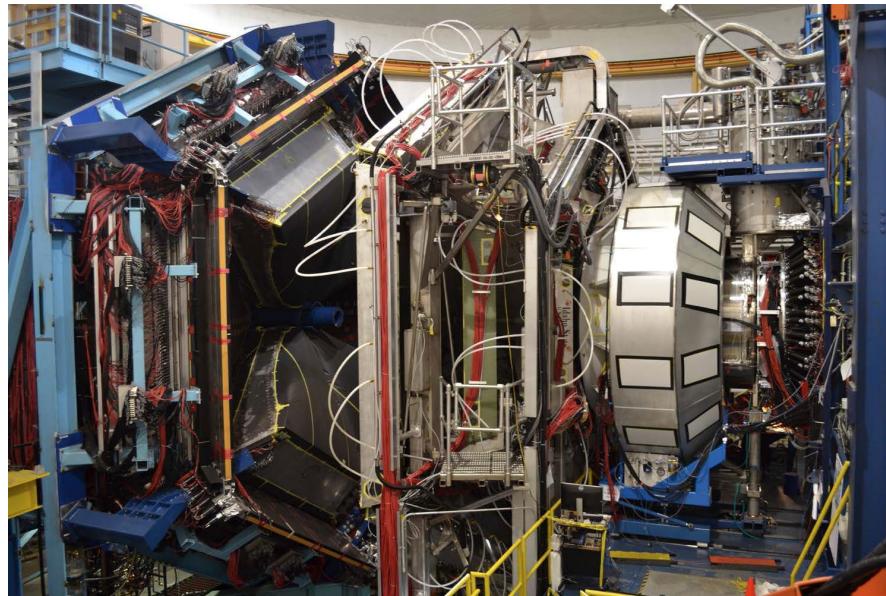
FTE	Missioni	Consumo	Inv	Totale (kE)
1.5	11.0+7.0 s.j.	1.0	-	12+7.0 s.j.

Missioni per test beam +
riunioni collaborazione

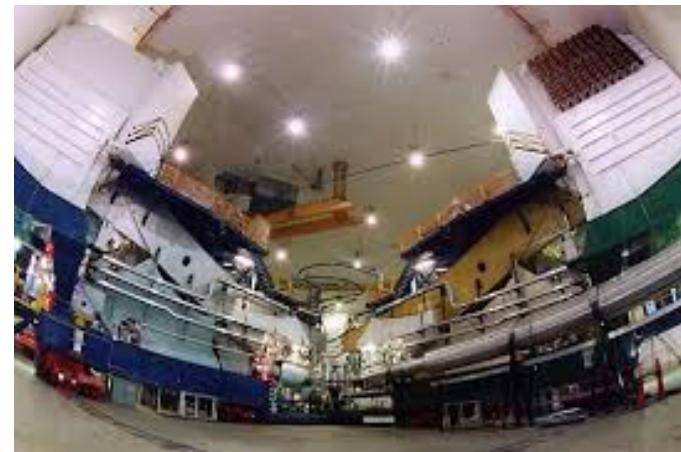
R&T	Percentuale
G. Andronico	Primo Tecnologo
M.A. Bondì	Tecnologo
P. La Rocca	Prof. Associato
G. Mandaglio	Prof. Associato
A. Riggio	PhD
C. Sutera	Ass. Senior
C. Tuvè	Prof. Associato
G. Verde	Primo Ricercatore

Activity in 2025:

- Hadronic physics
- Light dark matter searches



HALL B - understanding the 3D
nucleon structure, hadron
spectroscopy and nuclear effects.
Dark photon search.



HALL A - form factors
and PDFs, hyper nuclear
physics, Physics BSM



BDX - searching for light
Dark Matter Spokespersons:
M. Bondì and M. De Napoli

Catania group involved on many fronts:

- Contribution at MesonEX program
- Luminosity upgrade: Proposal about **Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DDVCS)** measurement (to be submitted in 2025) to be realized in μ CLAS12 in the phase-II **M. Bondi Co-Spokesperson**
- Development of the physics case for future Jlab upgrades (positron beam @ "22" GeV) **XYZ spectroscopy @ JLAB22** (Pilloni - Foti)

Catania contribution 2024:

- Simulation studies for detector design
- R&D uRWELL technology in collaboration with INFN-ROMA2
- Test Beam @ Cern in Nov24
- R&D readout electronics (APV25 readout and new VMM3) in collaboration with INFN-Genova

Activity for 2025:

- Data taking on hydrogen and nuclear targets
- Analysis of newly processed "pass2" data
 - R&D on tracking detector and readout electronics for the luminosity upgrade
- Studies of the physics case and new detector components for the future JLab upgrade
- AiDAPT project - AI for Data analysis and Preservation

Catania contribution 2024:

- Studying generative algorithms to extract amplitudes and resonance information from data in a model-independent way
- Closure test on MC 2π photoproduction data completed

HPS - BDX



Heavy Photon Search - HPS (M. De Napoli) e- fixed target experiment installed in HALL B searching for dark photon visible decay

Prospectives: Jeopardy 2024 -> Possible next beam time window from 2027.

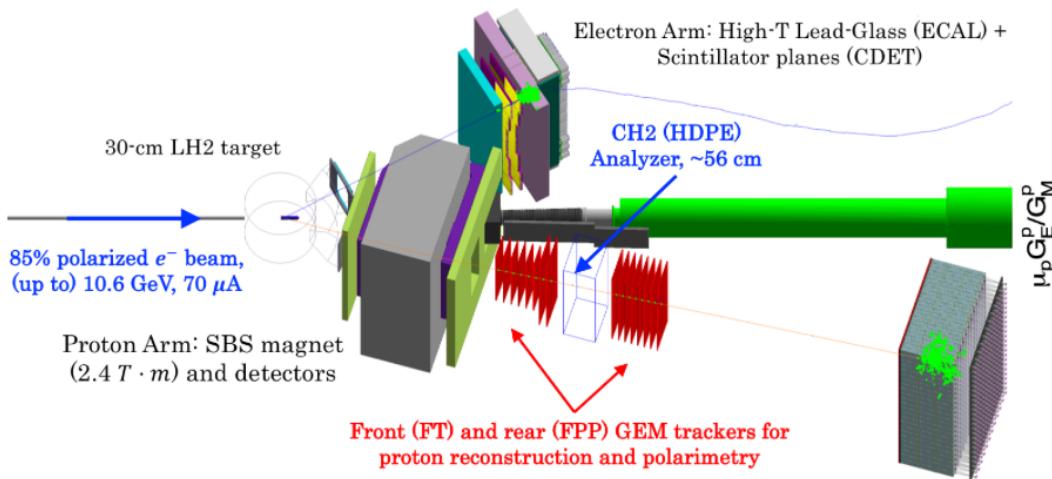
Beam Dump eXperiment Status

- JLab PAC51 re-evaluate the proposal confirming A rate
- Started discussion with JLab-Facility-Management to build BDX infrastructures

Activity for 2025:

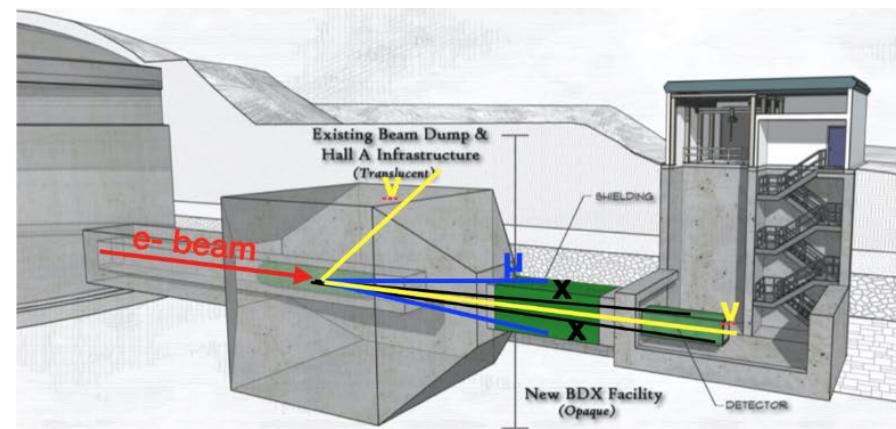
- Construction of first detector modules (in collaboration with INFN-Ge, INFN-Pavia & JLAB)
- Continue the background simulation study and optimization of the lead shielding
- Work on BDX-DAQ in collaboration with INFN-GE and JLAB
- Organization of workshops

HALL A & Secondary beam @JLAB



Nell'estate 2024 inizierà l'installazione di tutto SBS per l'esperimento Gep (fattore di forma elettrico del protone) presso HALL A (C. Sutera & V. Bellini)

**Secondary beam @ JLAB Co-spokesperson
M.Bondì**
MC Simulation and study of secondary beams
(muons, neutrinos....) PhD thesis A. Fulci



JLAB12 Richieste Sezione di Catania 2025



R&T	Qualifica	%
G. Arcadi	Prof. Associato	50
M.A. Bondì	Tecnologo	65
P. Castorina	Ass. Senior	0
M. De Napoli	RTdB/Primo Ricercatore	0
G. Foti	PhD PNRR ex DM 118/2023	100
A. Fulci	PhD	100
A. Pilloni	Prof. Associato	50
N. Randazzo	Dir. Ric.	30
A. Riggio	PhD	80
C. Sutera	Ass. Senior	0

FTE	Missioni (kE)	Consumo (kE)	Inv. (kE)	Totale (kE)
4.75	58	51	-	109

Missioni + Consumo/Apparati per esperimenti CLAS12, BDX, HPS

Servizio	Mesi persona
Tecnologie Avanzate	2
Progettazione meccanica	2

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