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Grenoble Axion Haloscope (GrAHal) projects in collaboration with DMAG/IBS for Axion Dark Matter Search

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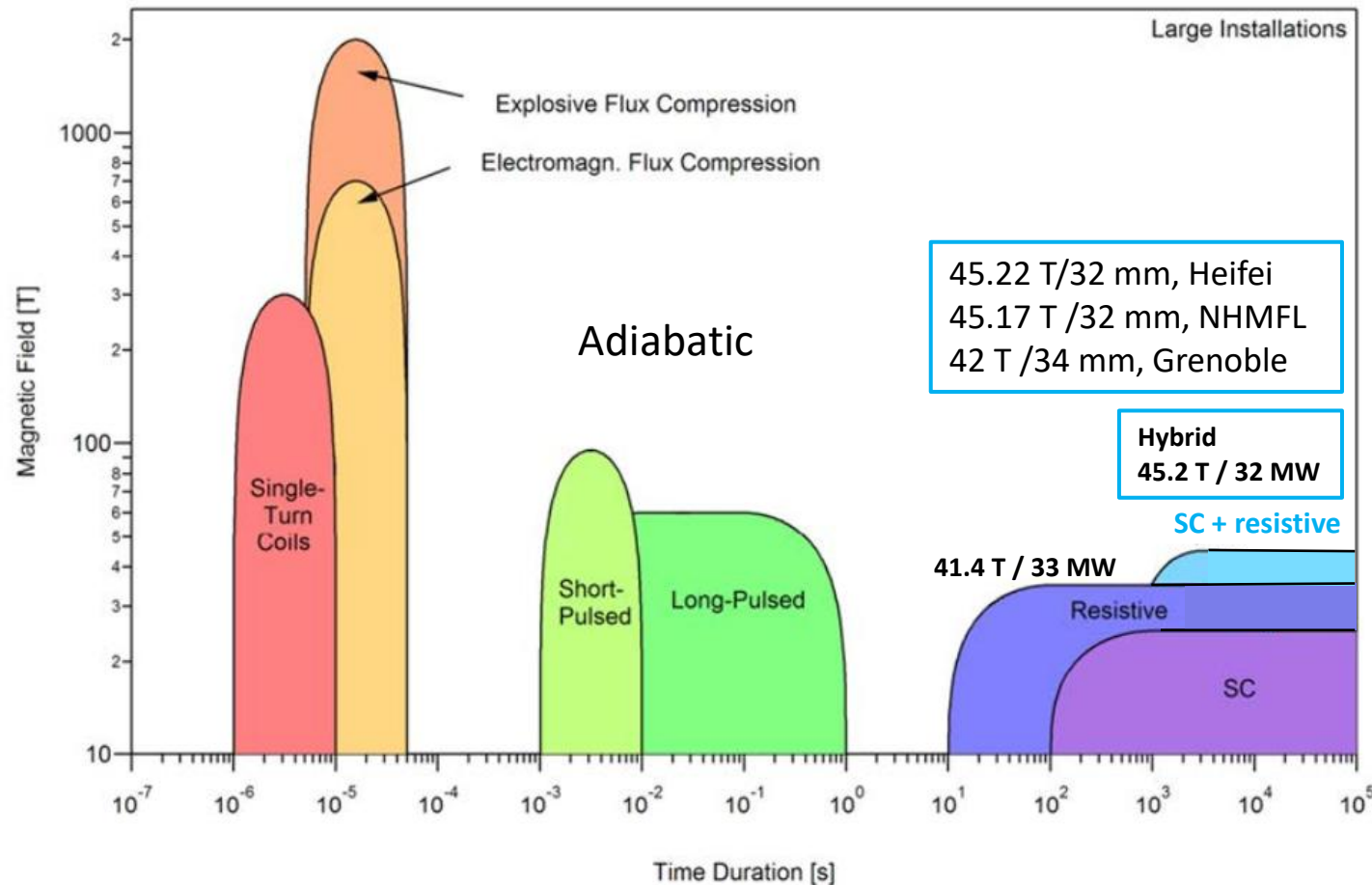
Outline

- Introduction
- 42+T Grenoble Hybrid Magnet
 - Conception
 - Commissioning
 - Toward routine operation
- Grenoble Axion Haloscope (GrAHal)
 - GrAHal/DMAG – HF
 - GrAHal/DMAG – LF
- Summary & short term perspectives



42+T Hybrid magnet: 53 tons
Cold mass @ 1.8 K: 24 tons

High Magnetic Fields for Science Today



Remarks on DC field produced by water cooled resistive magnets

$$1/B \propto \text{Power}^{1/2}$$

2/ There is a "No Field Limit Theorem"*

But...

$$\phi_{\text{out}} / \phi_{\text{in}} = \exp(B/B_S)^2$$

with $B_S = (2\mu_0 \lambda \sigma_{\text{Hoop, max}})^{1/2}$ & considering a constant « Hoop stress current distribution »

Typically, for 41.4 T, $\phi_{\text{out}} = 1 \text{ m}$ & $\phi_{\text{out}} / \phi_{\text{in}} \approx 31$

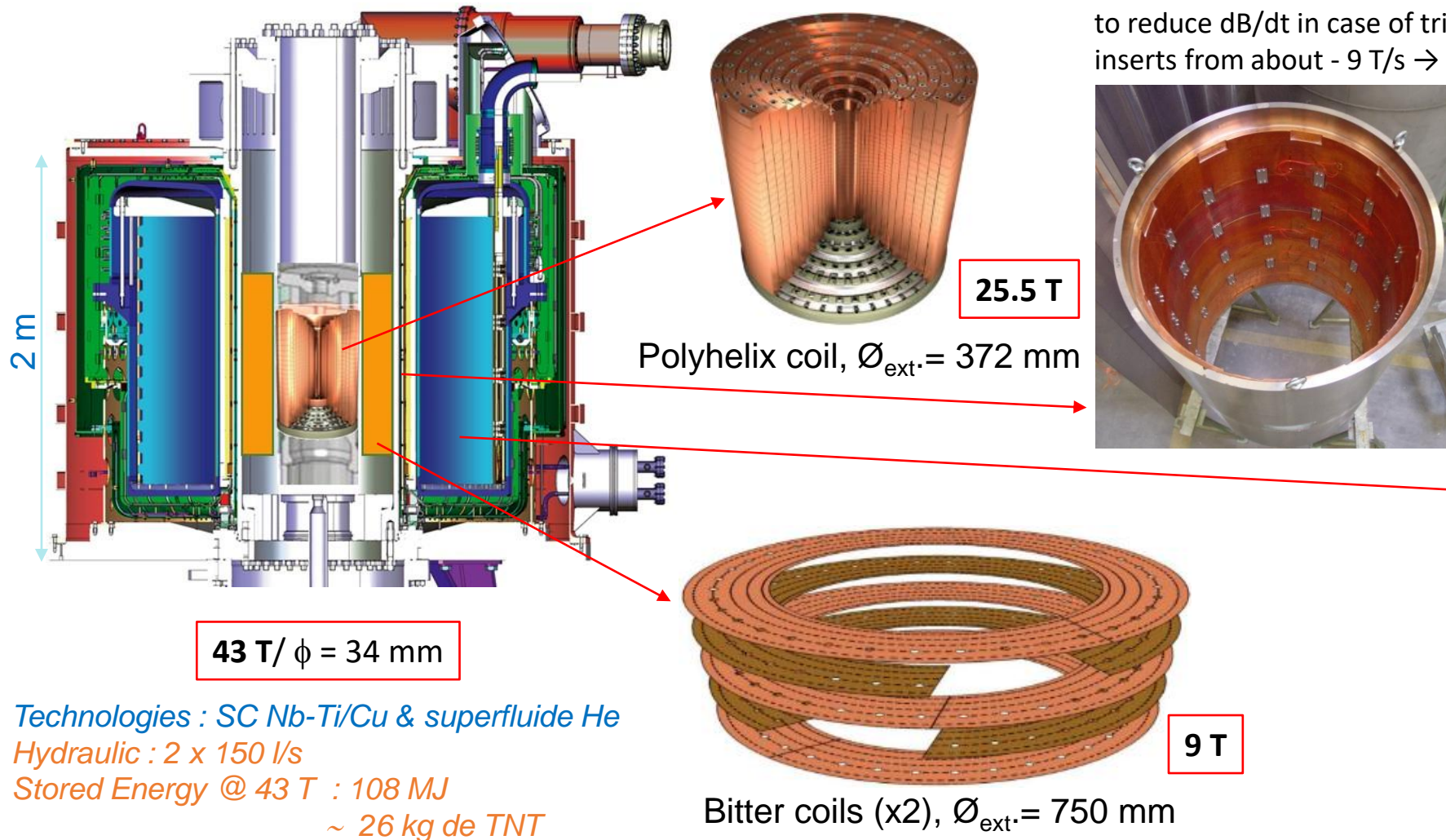
*From G. Aubert,
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1088/0031-8949/1991/T35/036>
 Assuming appropriate water cooling...

Adapted from K. Matsui, et al. *Review of Scientific Instruments* 92(2):024711 (2021)
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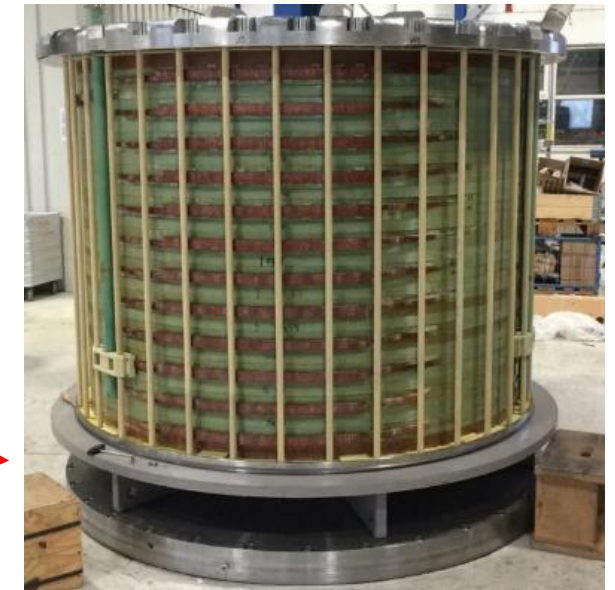
Resistive & Superconducting Coils separated by EC shield

Resistive Bitter & Polyhelix inserts (CuAg_{5%}) designed for 12 + 12 MW

► Upgrade to 12 + 18 MW for Phase-2



Stainless Steel re-inforced Cu shield at T= 50 K
to reduce dB/dt in case of trip of resistive
inserts from about - 9 T/s \rightarrow - 0.5 T/s



Superconducting coil made of 37
double-pancakes connected in series
 $\phi_{\text{int/ext.}} = 1100/1868$ mm

8.5 T

Technologies : SC Nb-Ti/Cu & superfluide He

Hydraulic : 2 x 150 l/s

Stored Energy @ 43 T : 108 MJ

~ 26 kg de TNT

Key Technologies for the Superconducting Outsert

Nb-Ti/Cu Rutherford Cable On Conduit Conductor (RCOCC) specially developed with in-house assembly

- Internal cooling with stagnant superfluid He connected to the external bath
- Strict control of AC-losses

P. Pugnat, R. Pfister, *et al.*, *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.* 28, 4301005 (2018)
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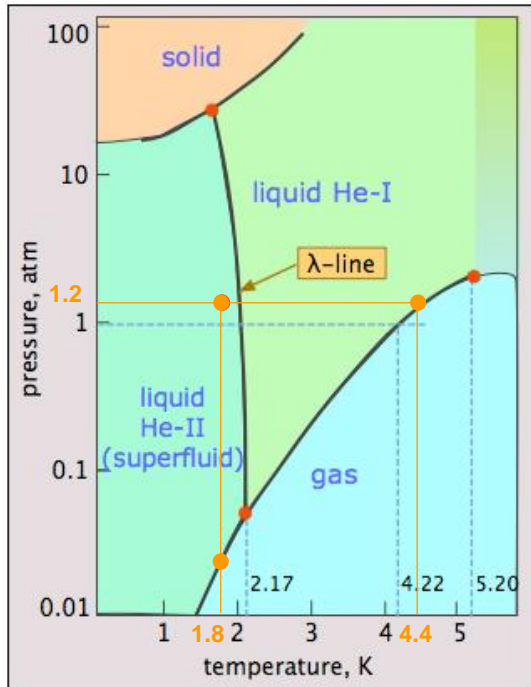
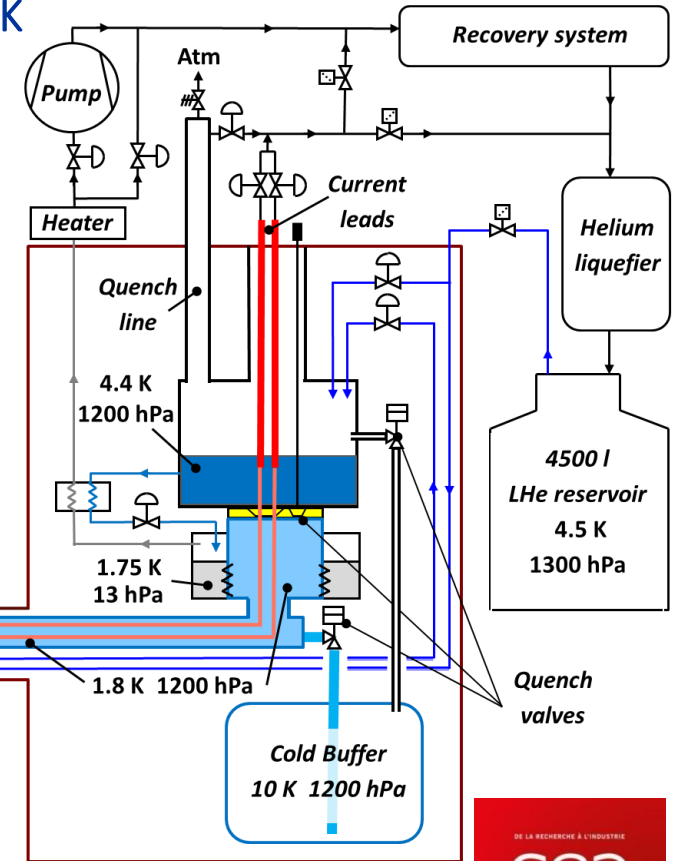
18 x 13 mm²



The cryogenic system principle: Pressurized superfluid He bath at 1200 hPa, 1.8 K

Claudet bath from the name of its inventor, G. Claudet from CEA Grenoble, 1974

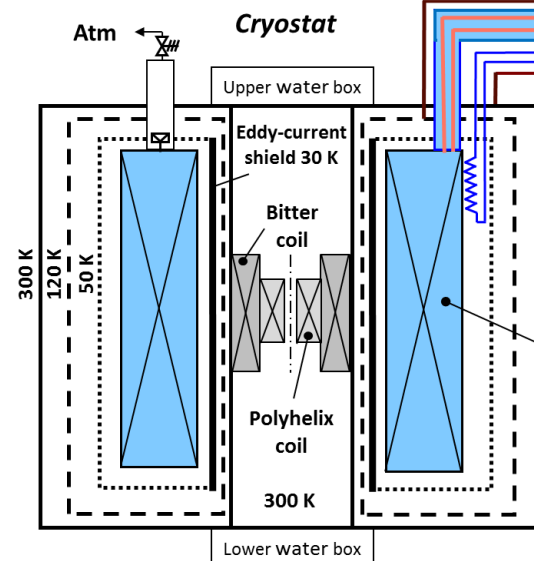
Cryoline with superconducting busbars



Superfluid pressurized LHe bath @ 1200 hPa, 1.8 K

Cooling of the sc. coil with

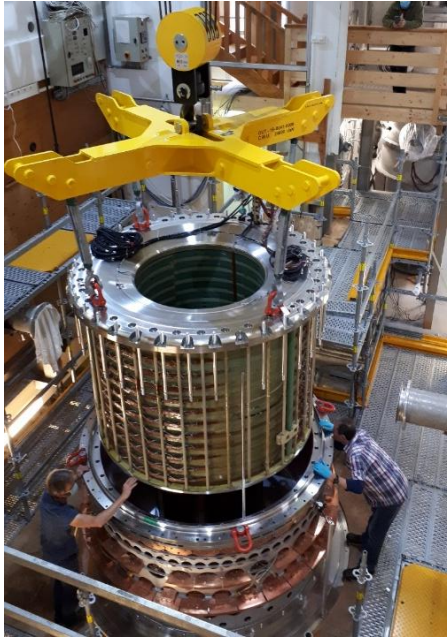
- 1420 l/60 l of pressurize/pumped superfluid He
- 155 LHe @4.4 K



Superconducting coil LHe @1.8 K 1200 hPa

L. Ronayette, S. Crispel, B. Hervieu, P. Pugnat *et al.*, *IOP Conf. Series: Mater. Sci. Eng.* 171 012107, (2017)

Some Assembly Steps of the Cryomagnet



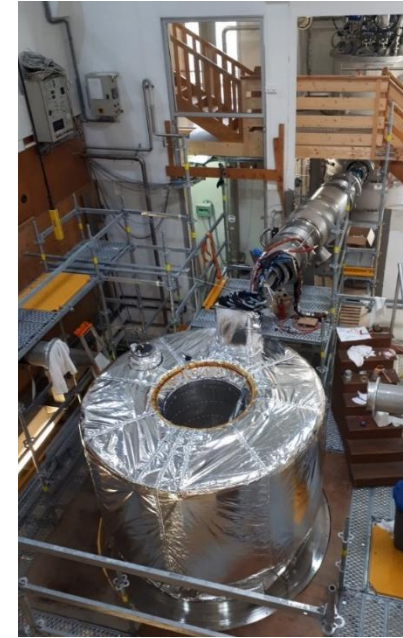
Insertion of the superc. coil inside the He vessel



Welding of the He vessel



Assembly of the thermal shields



Installation of the last MLI sheet



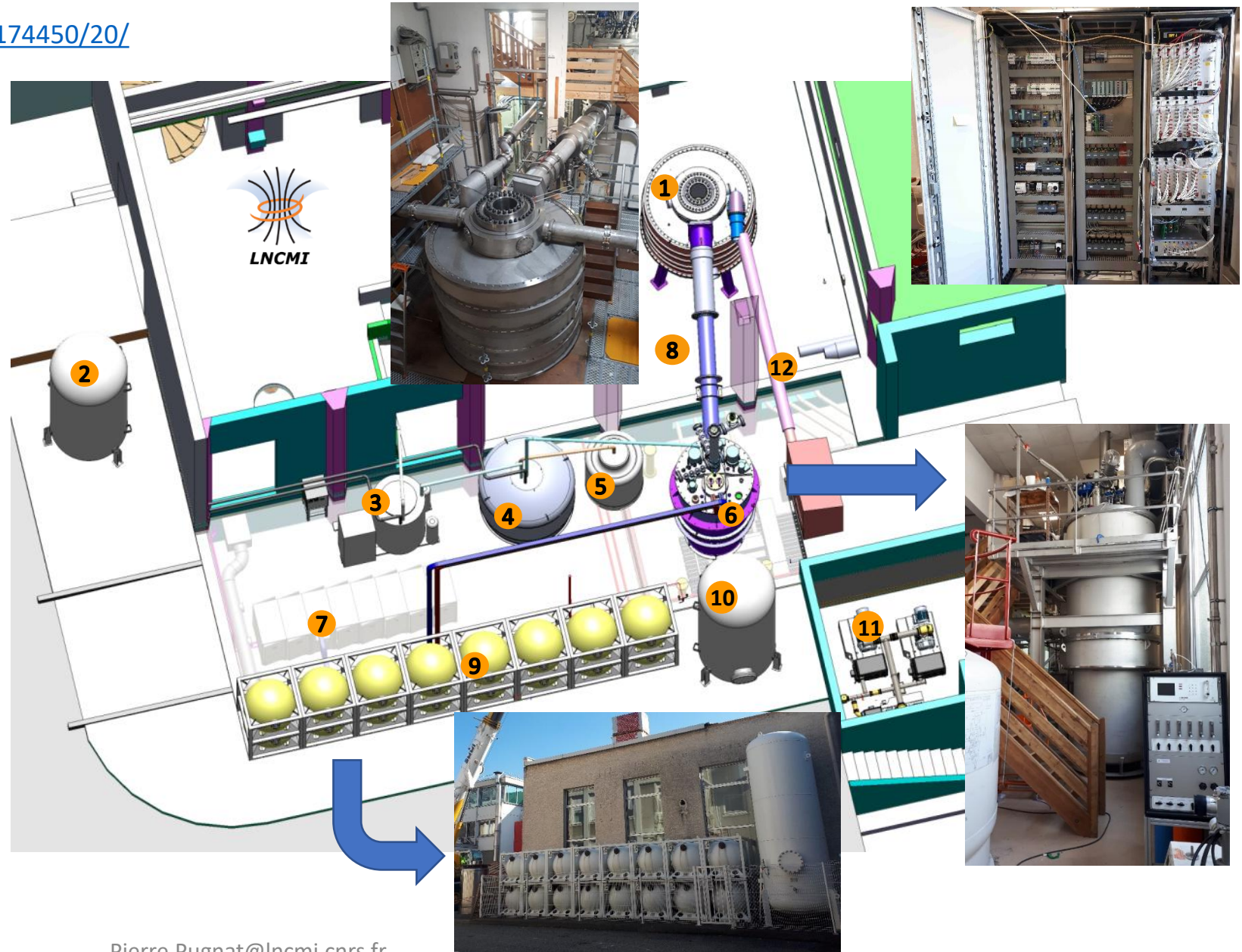
Installation of the OVC

IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity, vol. 32, no. 6, pp. 1-7, Sept. 2022, Art no. 4300607, doi: 10.1109/TASC.2022.3151838

Integration of the Grenoble Hybrid Magnet with its Cryogenic Plant

Virtual Tour : <https://storage.net-fs.com/hosting/6174450/20/>

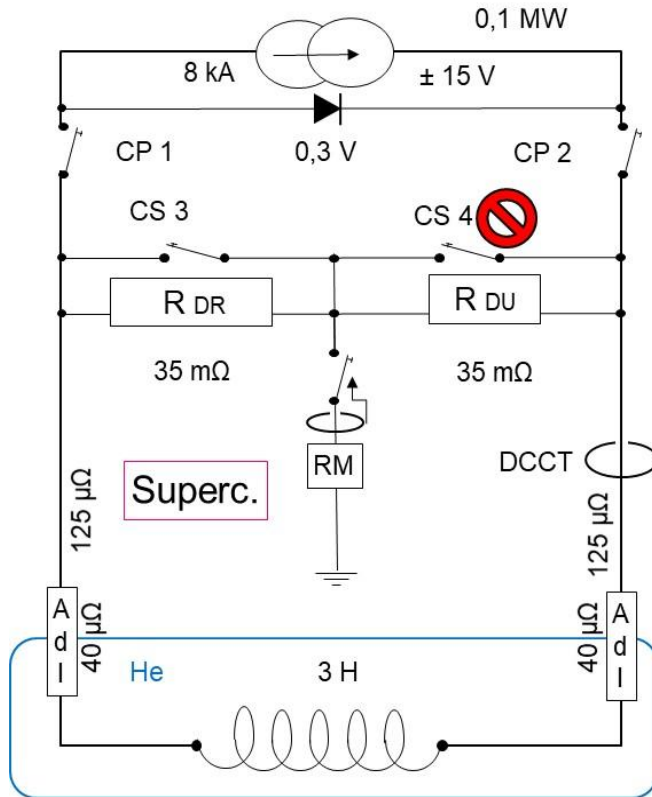
- 1 Superconducting Magnet
- 2 LN₂ tank 27 000 litres.
- 3 He liquefier coldbox
150 l/h @ 4.5 K , 1.3 bar
- 4 Main LHe Dewar 4500 litres
- 5 Secondary LHe Dewar 1700 litres
- 6 Cryogenic satellite to produce
the 1.8 K LHe bath
- 7 DC power converter
7500 A , 30 V (underground)
- 8 Cryoline with busbars @ 1,8 K
- 9 High pressure gaseous He tanks
16 x 1 m³ @ 200 bars
- 10 Liquefier pure He buffer tank
15 m³ @ 20 bars
- 11 Helium pumping system
6000 m³/h @ 10 mbar, 20 °C
- 12 Quench line



Not shown (located in other areas)

- Liquefier cycle compressor @ 14.5 bars
- He recovery balloon : 30 m³ @ Patm
- He recovery compressor @ 200 bars
- 32 x 0.5 m³ high pressure gaseous He tanks @ 200 bars
- Magnet Safety and Magnet Control Systems

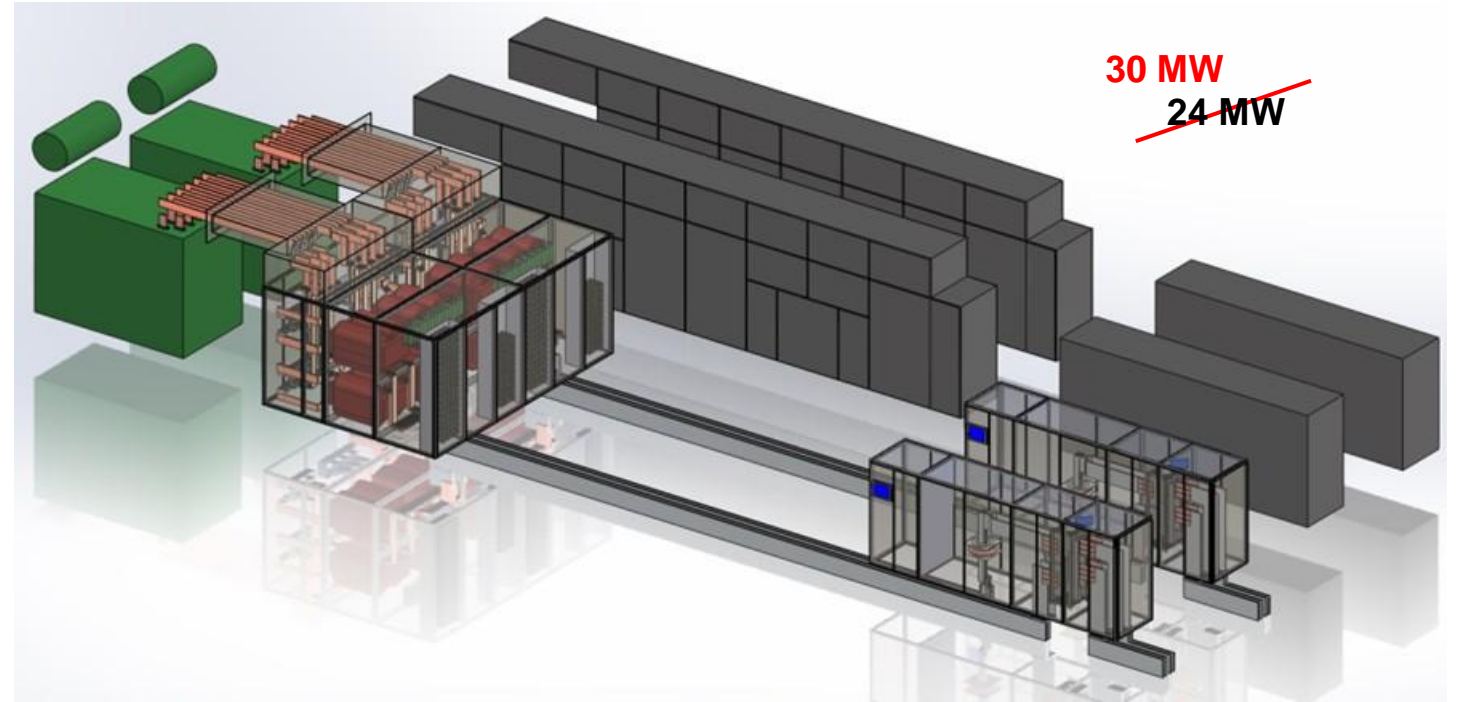
Electrical Power Installation & Circuits



$R_{DR} + R_{DU}$

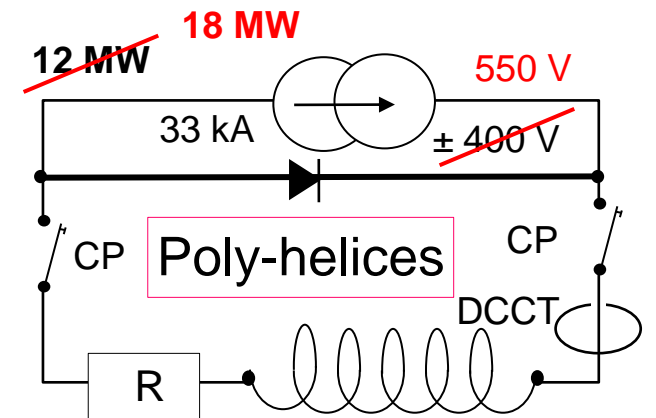
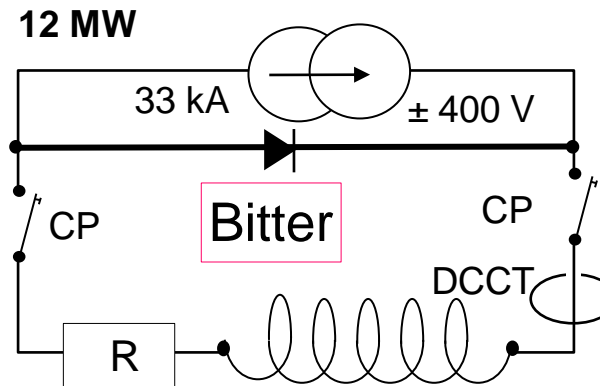


8 kA / ± 15 V for
Superconducting magnet

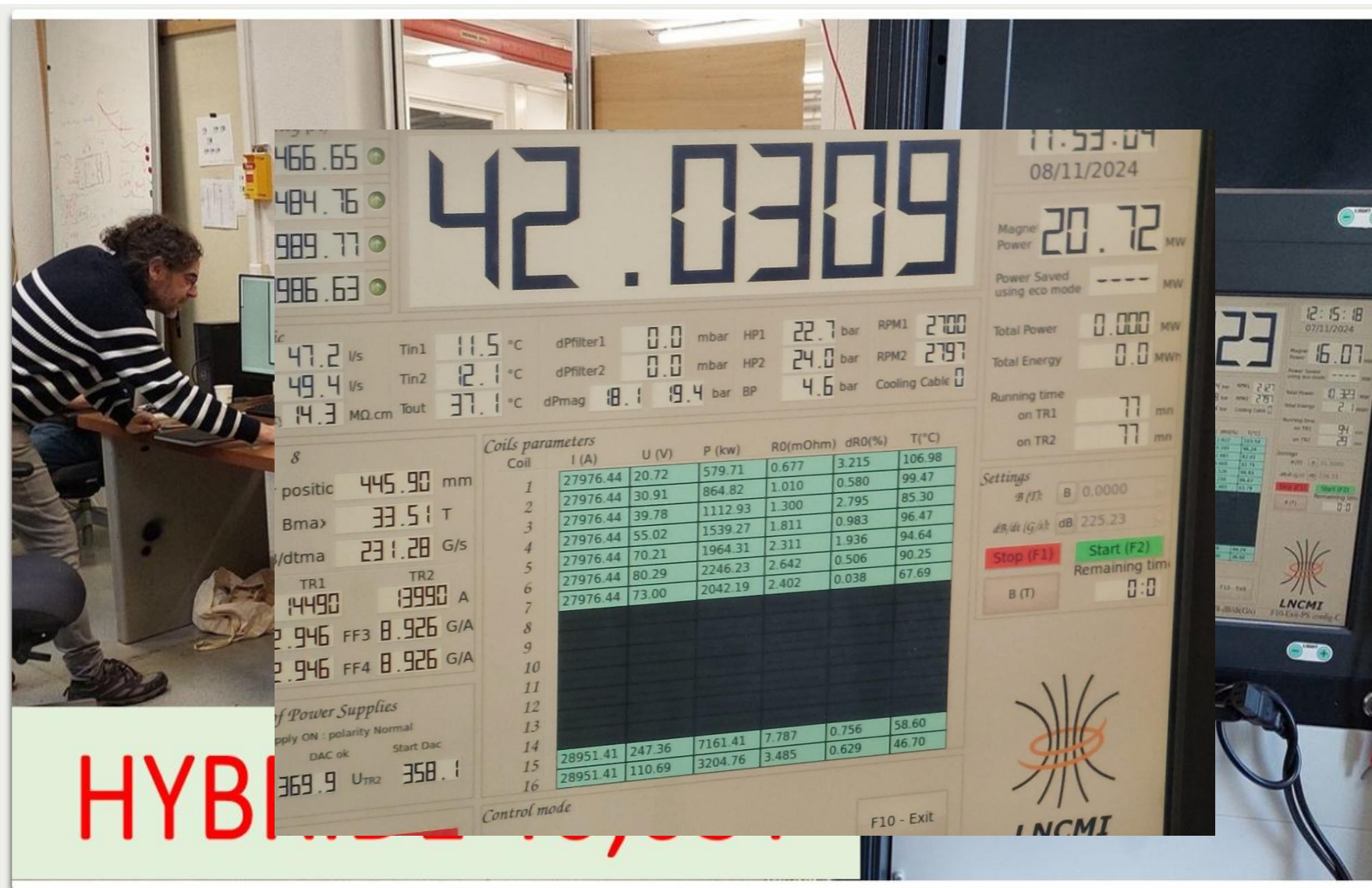


Upgrade in 2024

~~30 MW~~
~~24 MW~~



Result of 8 Nov. 2024 : $8.5 + 8.5 + 25 = 42$ T reached



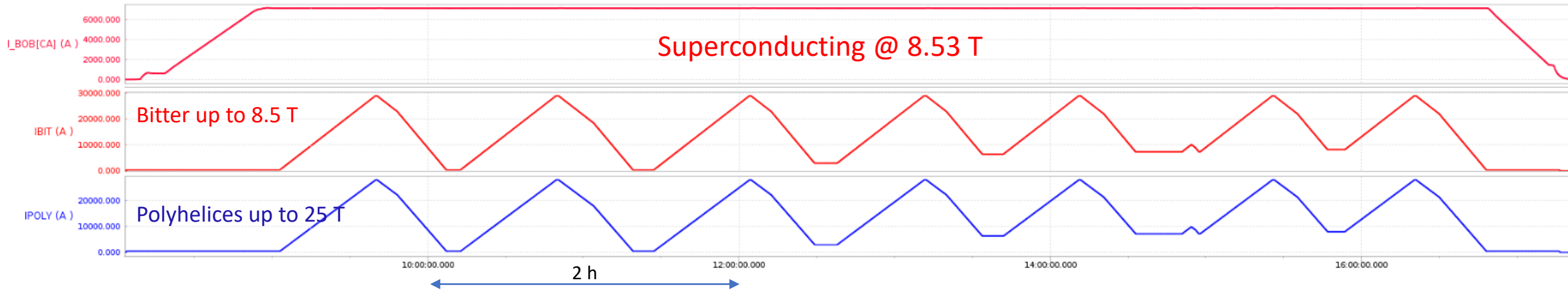
As a 1st step,
There is still
Room
to go to Higher
Field(s)... But
priority given to
Science Runs

**1st time that such
High DC magnetic
field is reached in
Europe**

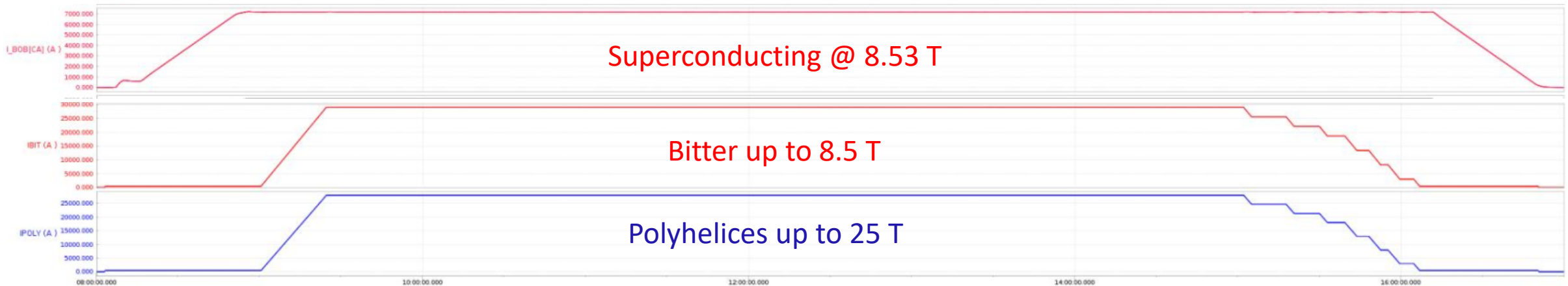
Exemples of Hybrid Magnet Powering Cycles during Science Runs



► Typical 8 h-day running up to 42 T with 7 powering cycles of resistive inserts for transport measurements



► Typical 6 h-day running up to 42 T with a single powering cycle for RMN measurements



Summary of 1st science runs: 2 experiments in May-June 2025 (transport & RMN) requiring 46 cycles up to 42 T in total, with flat top duration ranging from few seconds up to ~ 6.6 h with no time limitation detected.

Early 2025, two experiments in condensed matter physics performed up to 42 T and many more to come !!!

The quest for the GrAHal

Grenoble **Axion** Haloscopes



GrAHal-DMAG/HF

- 1st run planned in 42 T/12.25 GHz
14-28 Oct. 2025

GrAHal-DMAG/LF

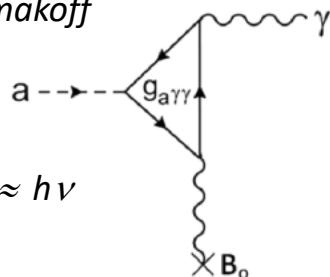
- 200-600 MHz in preparation

Grenoble Axion Haloscopes

$$m_a = (1-1000) \mu\text{eV}$$

$$\rightarrow \rho_{DM} \approx (10^{11} - 10^{14}) \text{ axions} / \text{cm}^3$$

Inverse Primakoff
Effect

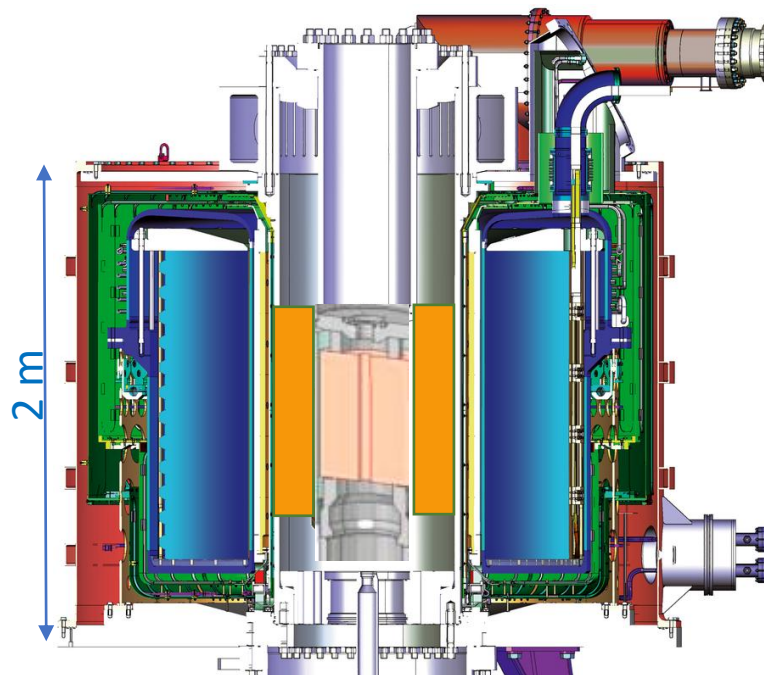


$$m_a c^2 \approx h \nu$$

Sikivie's haloscope
i.e. with RF cavity

$$11.5 \text{ GHz} / f_{\text{TM010}} = R / 1 \text{ cm}$$

$$P \propto g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 B_0^2 V Q \approx 10^{-21} - 10^{-24} \text{ W}$$



Field	Warm dia.	RF-cavity dia.	Frequency	Axion mass
43 T	34 mm	20 mm	12.25 GHz	50.3 μeV
40 T	50 mm	34 mm	6.76 GHz	27.8 μeV
27 T	170 mm	86 mm	2.67 GHz	11 μeV
17.5 T	375 mm	291 mm	0.79 GHz	3.2 μeV
9 T	812 mm	675 mm	0.34 GHz	1.4 μeV



**Grenoble Hybrid now in
routine operation, 1st run
of GrAHal in October 2025**

► BabyGrAHal is running

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.14406>

<https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/33627/contributions/154650/>

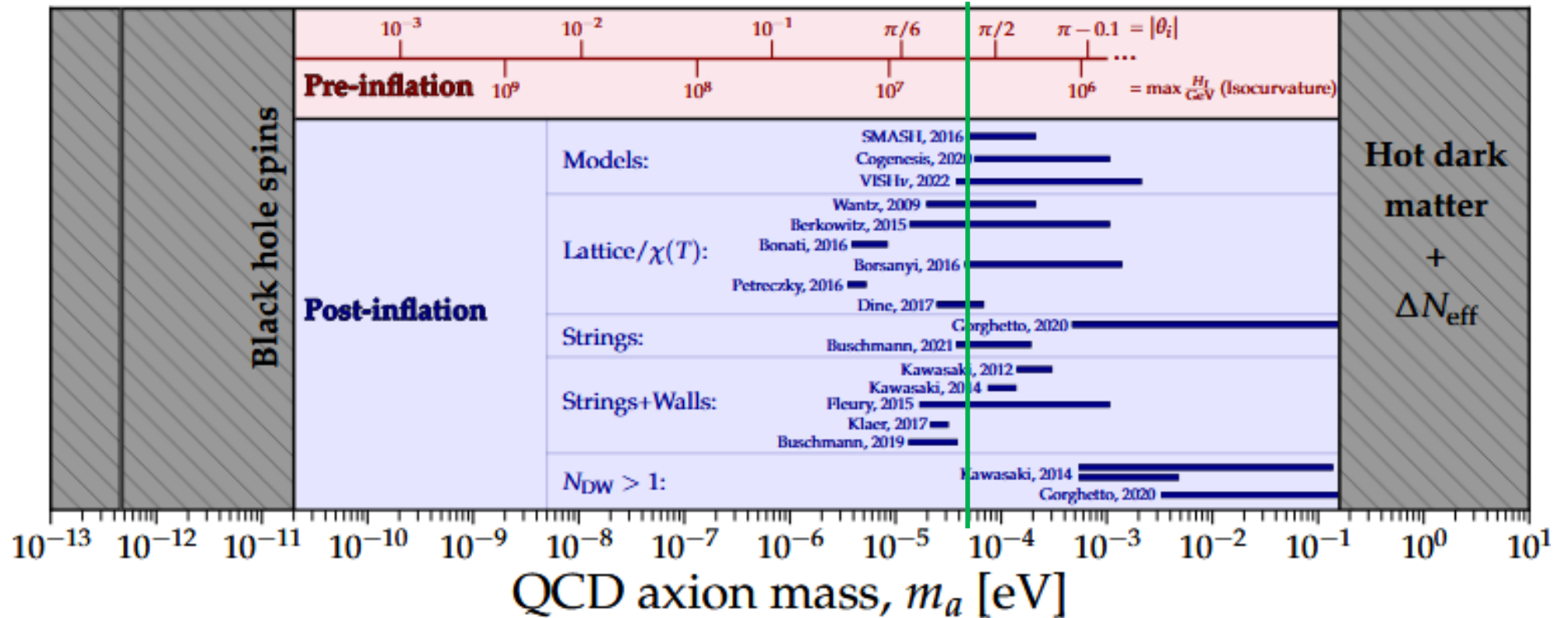
GrAHal-HF (~ 12.25 GHz/ $50.3 \mu\text{eV}$ with SHTc or Cu RF-cavity)

DMAG/IBS

Theoretical motivations



9/19 models & computations will be tested partially

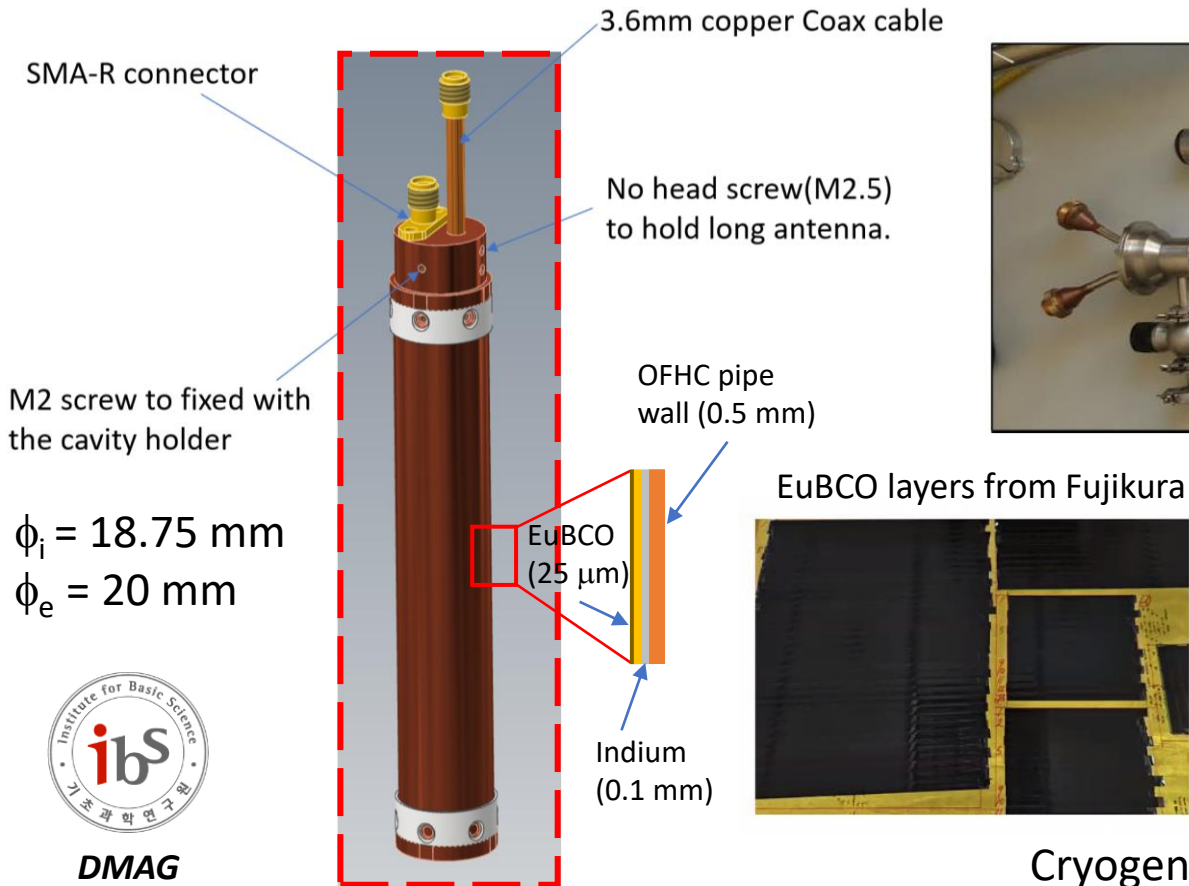


<https://pdg.lbl.gov/2024/reviews/rpp2024-rev-axions.pdf>

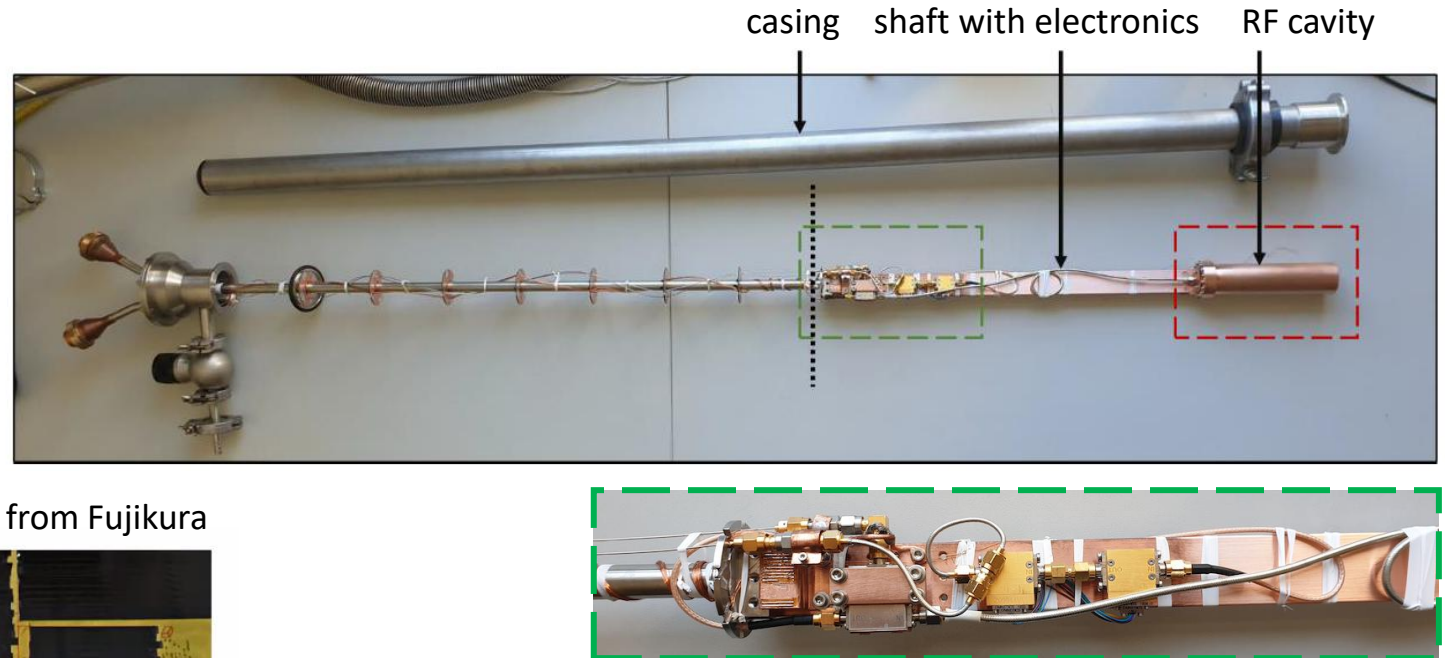
Also 1st time than a HTS RF-cavity will be tested up to 42 T around 12.25 GHz

GrA-Hal-HF (~ 12.25 GHz/50.3 μ eV with HTS or Cu RF-cavity)

2 HTS RF-cavities of 100 mm & 275 mm length



Experimental shaft with casing inserted within LHe cryostat



DMAG

Ohjoon Kwon

Q-factor of about 330 k at 4 K
(X 10 of Cu), cf. talk of SW. Youn



T. Grenet, CNRS-Grenoble

Cryogenic frequency tuning via $\epsilon_{\text{He}}(P,T,V)$

- GHe Pressure : <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2110.14406>

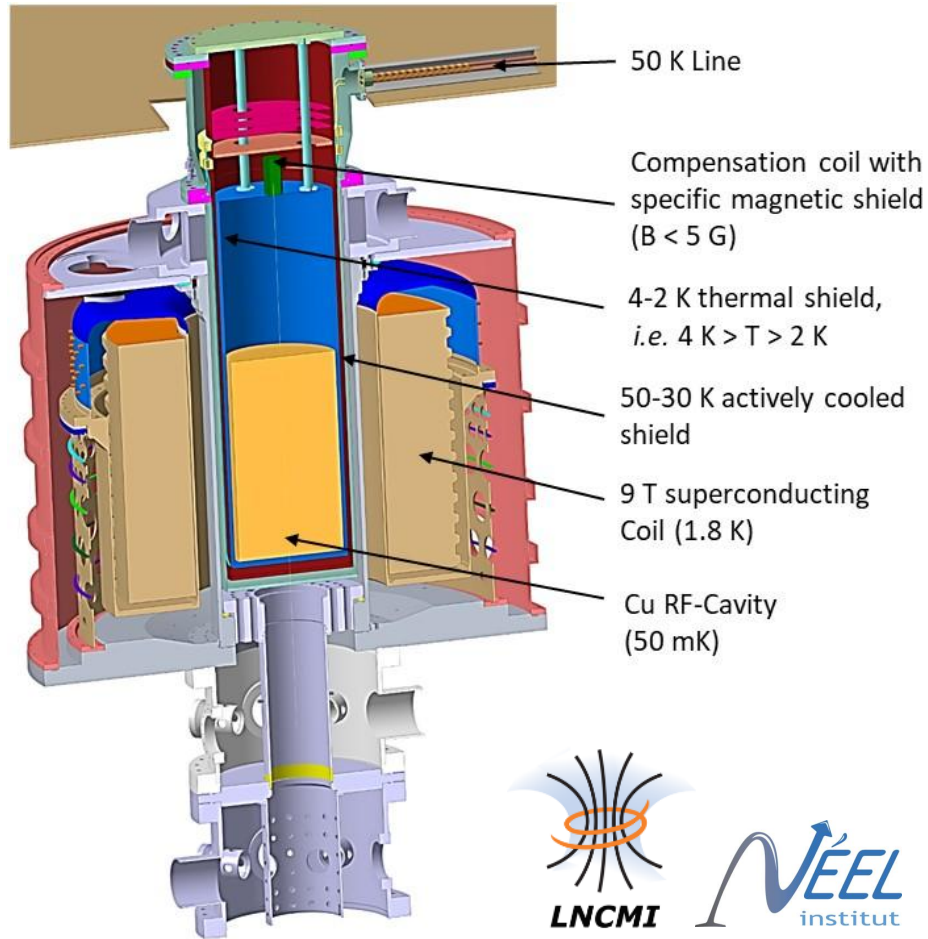
- LHe Volume : <https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/33627/contributions/154650/>

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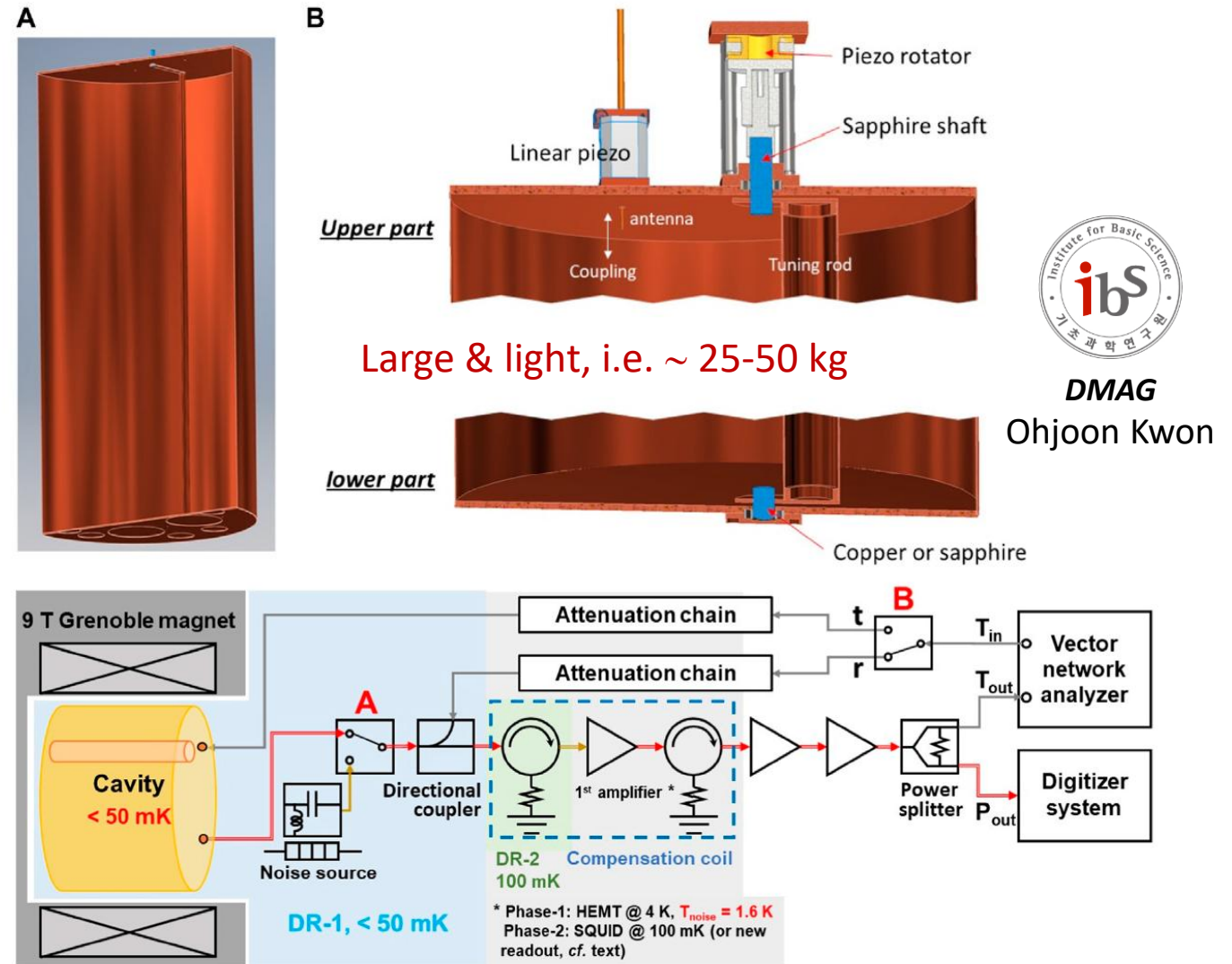
User platform on the top of the LNCMI hybrid magnet with ^4He bath cryostat attached to xy-table **We are ready to start, magnet in re-cooling phase**



GrAHaI-DMAG/LF ► Focus on 1-3 μeV axion mass (200-600 MHz)



Cryogenic challenge : 2 dilution refrigerators
 $T \leq 50\text{ mK}$ in 466 liters with ^3He dilution refrigerator
Ph. Camus & J. Vessaire (Institut Néel)

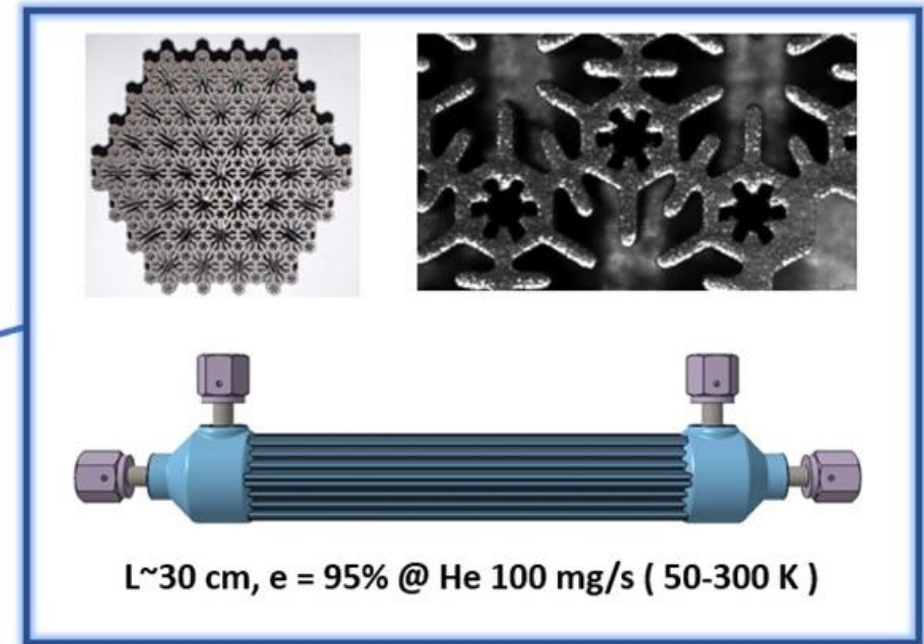
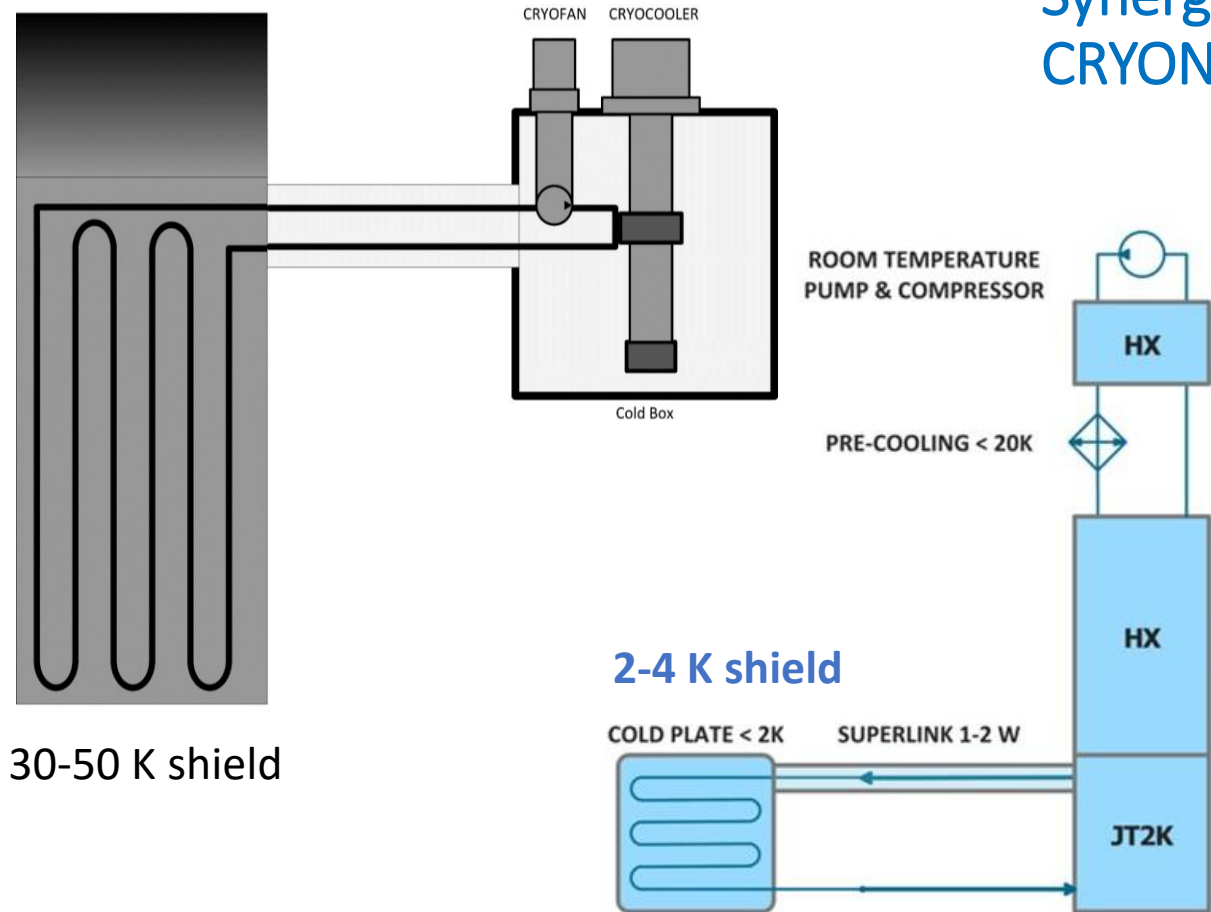


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GrAHal-DMAG/LF

► *Cryogenic developments; to go down to 50 mK requires intermediate steps*

Synergy with quantum computing needs within
CRYONEXT (Ph. Camus & J. Vessaire, Institut Néel)



3D printing from 3D NewShape factory

Toward the most sensitive Haloscope worldwide

► Focus first on 1-3 μeV axion mass (200-600 MHz)



GrAHal-DMAG : Phase 1 @ 4K

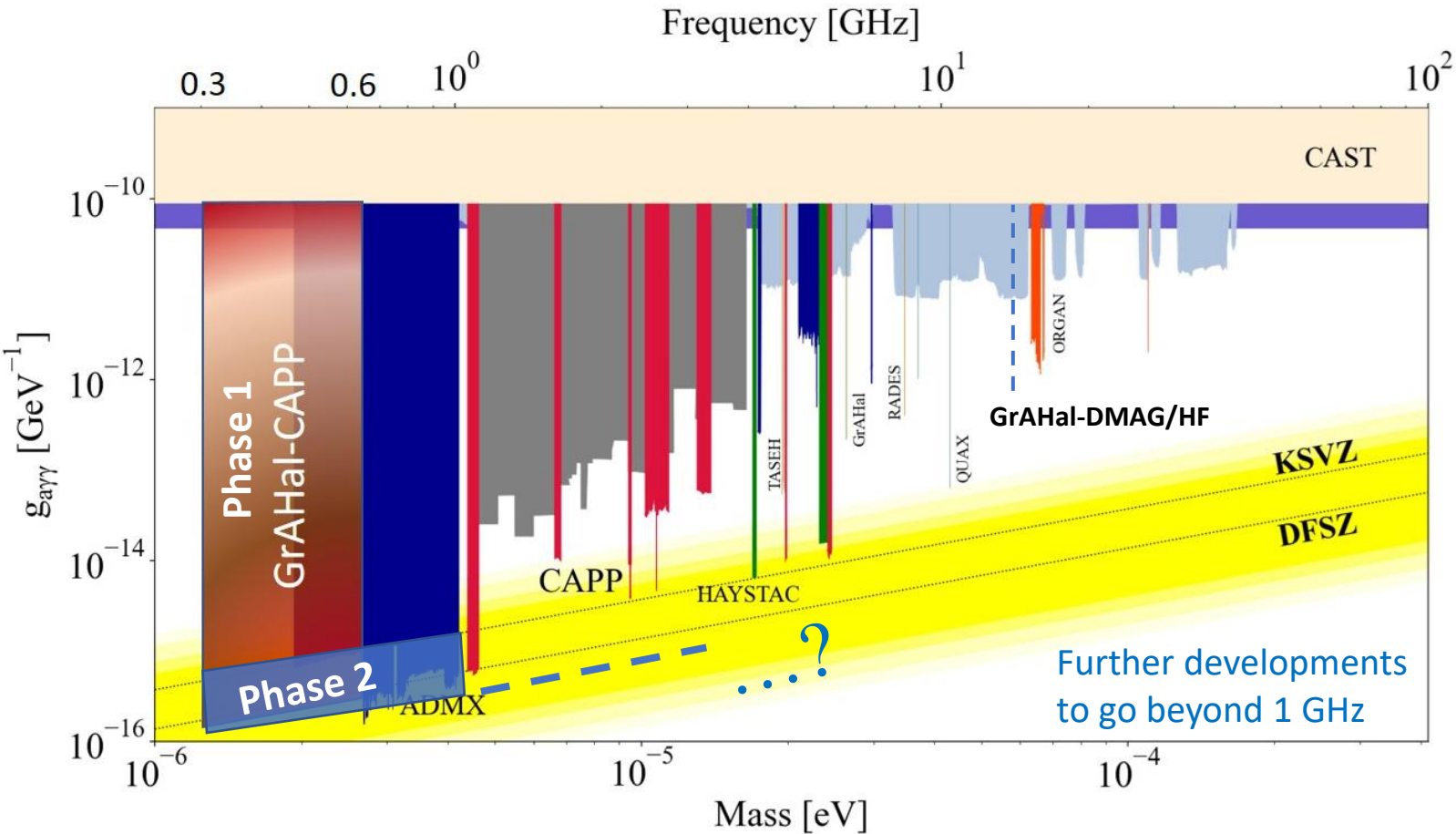
- 30-50 K cryo-stage operational @ t_0+18 months
 - 2-4 K cryo-stage operational @ t_0+24 months

→ 1st run

GrAHal-DMAG : Phase 2 @ 50 mK

- Operational @ $t_0 + 42$ months

→ 2nd run reaching DFSZ, in 2-year integration time

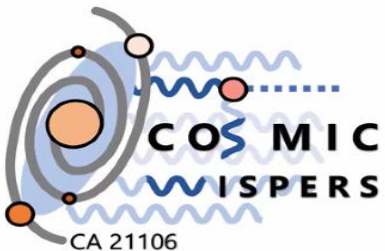


More Information / Outline



GrAHal

Grenoble Axion Haloscopes



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- Kick-off Meeting at Rome 23-24 February 2023
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News: Dark Waves under preparation

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