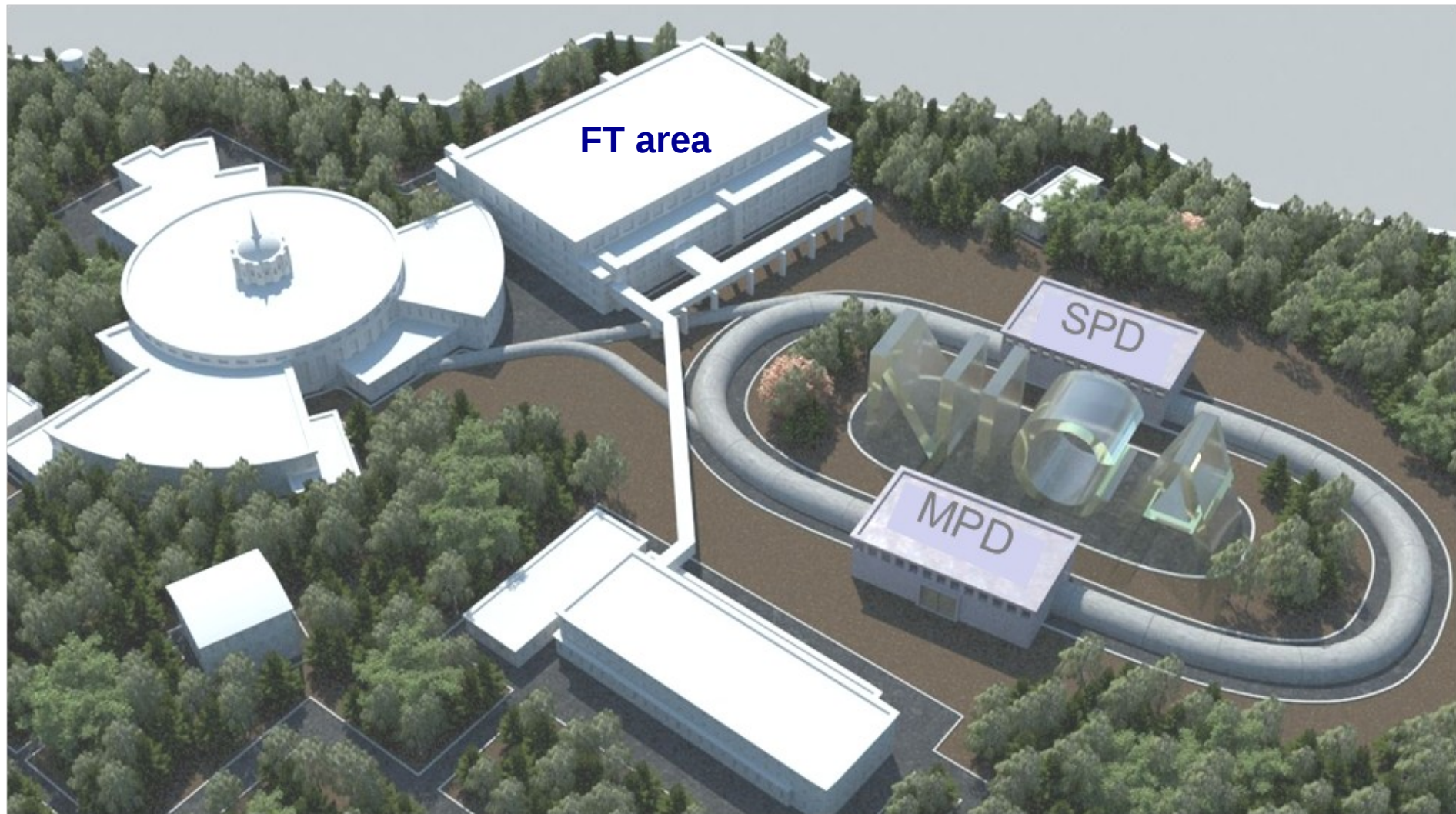


# Strange matter production in heavy ion collisions at Nuclotron (BM@N project) Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron



V.P.Ladygin for BM@N Collaboration  
XXI-th Baldin ISHEPP, 13 September 2012

# Nuclotron-based Ion Collider Facility (NICA)



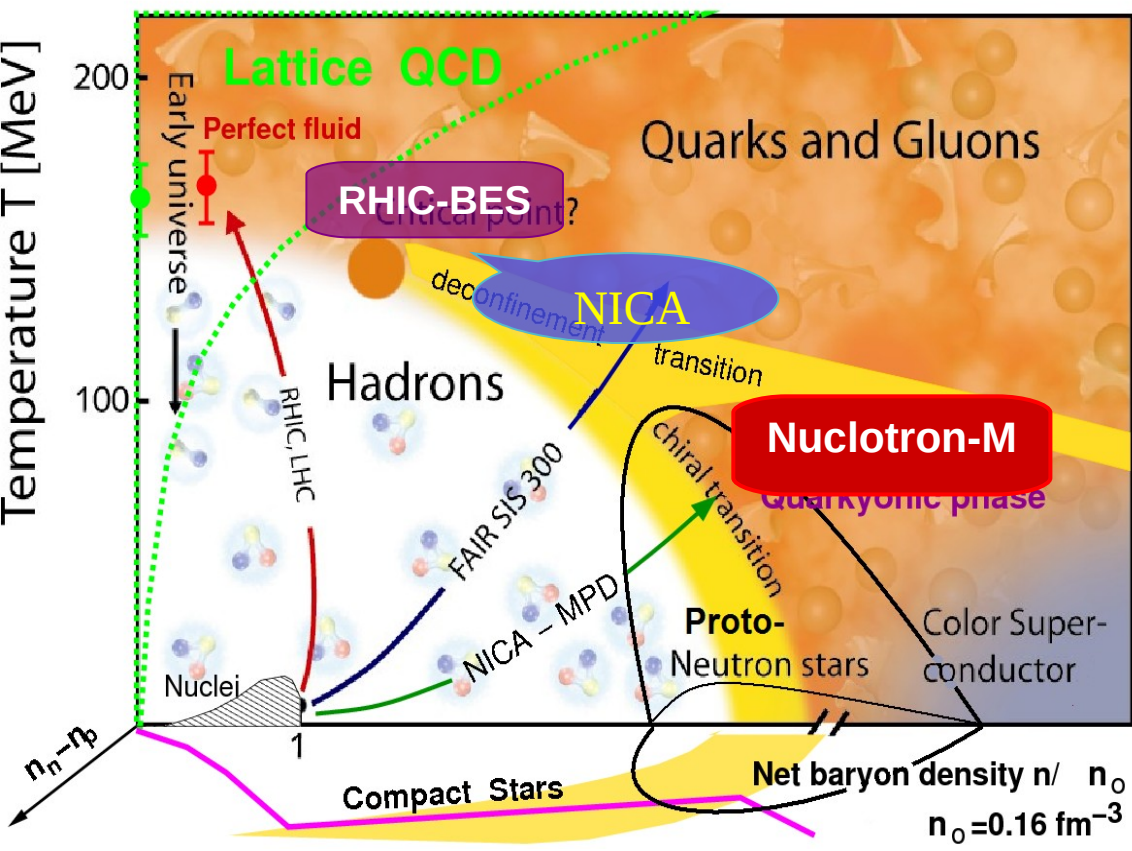
# NICA: Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility



- Flagship project at JINR
- Based on the development of the Nuclotron facility
- Optimal usage of the existing infrastructure
- Modern machine which incorporates new technological concepts
- First colliding beams - 2017

## NICA advantages:

- Energy range  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4-11$  GeV - highest baryon density
- Available ion species: from p to Au
- High luminosity: Au+Au up to  $10^{27}$



- ### Energy Range of NICA
- The most intriguing and unexplored region of the QCD phase diagram:
- Highest net baryon density
  - Onset of deconfinement phase transition
  - Discovery potential:
    - a) Critical End Point (CEP)
    - b) Chiral Symmetry Restoration
    - c) Hypothetic Quarkyonic phase
  - Complementary to the RHIC/BES, NA61/CERN, CBM&HADES/FAIR experimental programs

Comprehensive experimental program requires scan over the QCD phase diagram by varying collision parameters: system size, beam energy and collision centrality

# The NICA Project Goals

1) Heavy ion colliding beams  $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$   $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$  at

$$\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 11 \text{ GeV} \quad (1 \div 4.5 \text{ GeV/u ion kinetic energy})$$

$$\text{at } L_{\text{average}} = 1\text{E}27 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \quad (\text{at } \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 9 \text{ GeV})$$

2) Polarized beams of protons and deuterons in collider mode:

$$p \uparrow p \uparrow \quad \sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 12 \div 27 \text{ GeV} \quad (5 \div 12.6 \text{ GeV kinetic energy})$$

$$d \uparrow d \uparrow \quad \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 \div 13.8 \text{ GeV} \quad (2 \div 5.9 \text{ GeV/u ion kinetic energy})$$

$$L_{\text{average}} = 1\text{E}30 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \quad (\text{at } \sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 27 \text{ GeV})$$

3) The beams of ions and polarized protons and deuterons for fixed target experiments:

$$\text{Li} - \text{Au} = 1 \div 4.5 \text{ GeV /u ion kinetic energy}$$

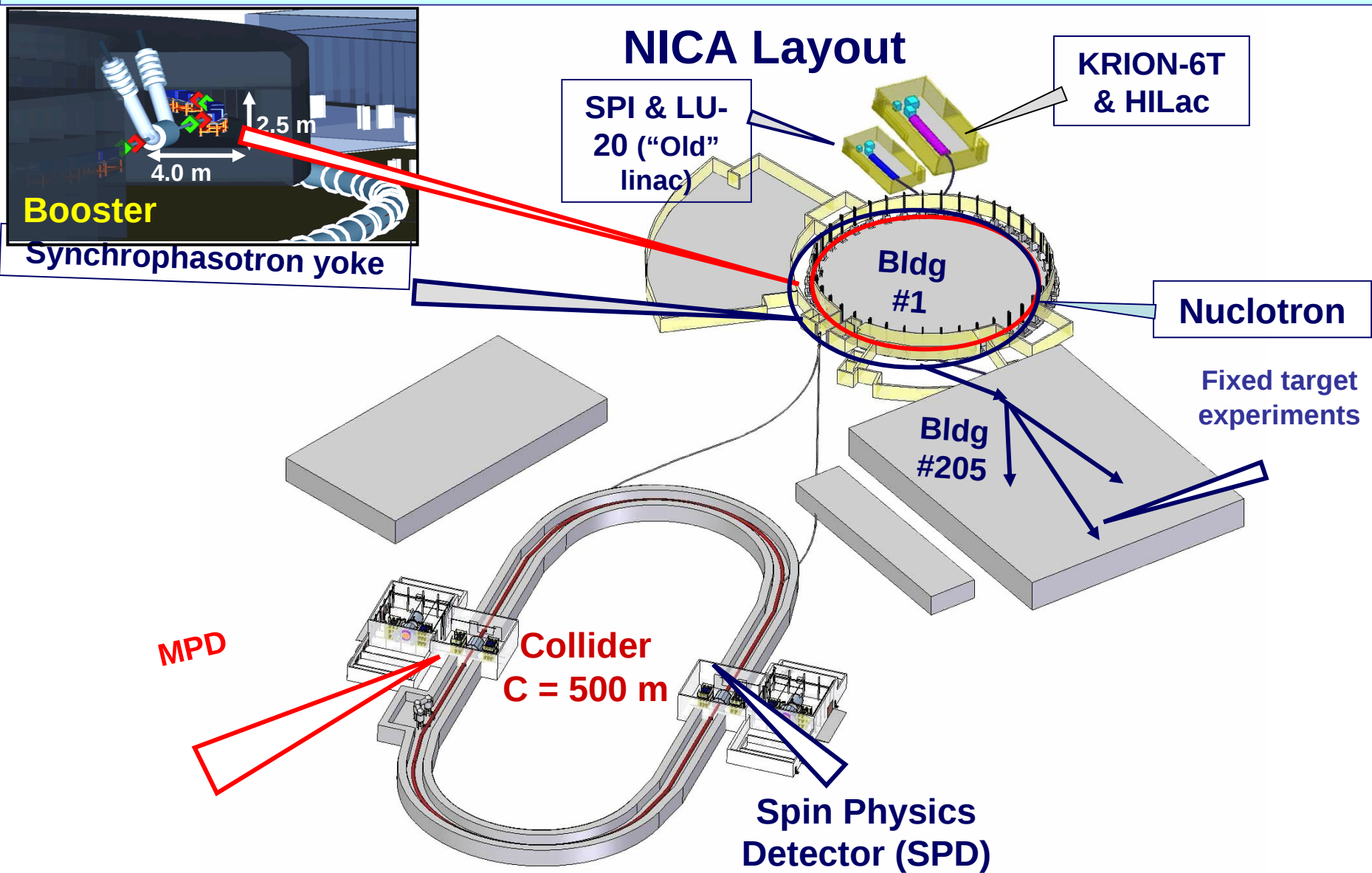
$$p, p \uparrow = 5 \div 12.6 \text{ GeV kinetic energy}$$

$$d, d \uparrow = 2 \div 5.9 \text{ GeV/u ion kinetic energy}$$

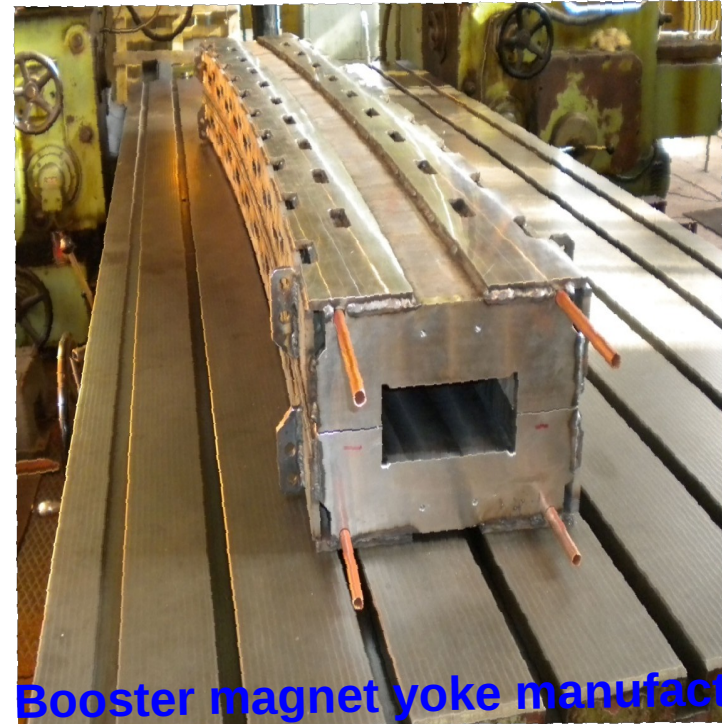
4) Applied research on ion beams at kinetic energy

from 0.5 GeV/u up to 12.6 GeV (**p**) and 4.5 GeV /u (**Au**)

# Facility Scheme and Operation Scenario



# Nuclotron for FT experiments



**d, d<sup>+</sup>, Li, C...** = 1 ÷ 6.0 GeV/u ion kinetic energy

**Au** = 1 ÷ 4.65 GeV /u ion kinetic energy (**10<sup>7</sup> /sec** with booster)

**P** = 1 ÷ 12.6 GeV kinetic energy



# Participants



**Countries:** Belarus, Bulgaria, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine + Germany + France

**Russia:** INR, SINP MSU, IHEP + 2 University

**Germany:** GSI, Frankfurt U., Giessen U., FIAS

+Institutes from CBM-MPD Consortium

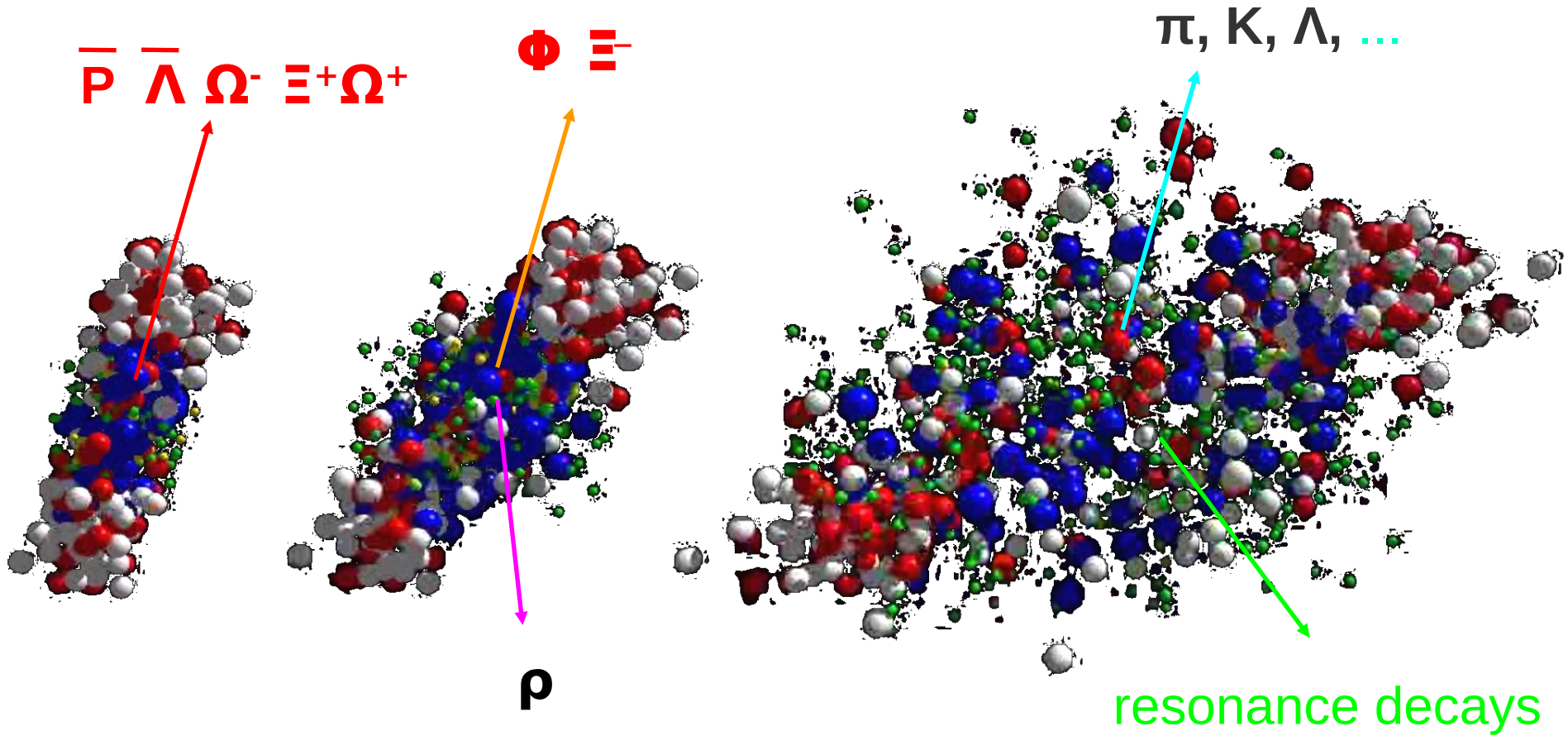


# Goal of the experiment

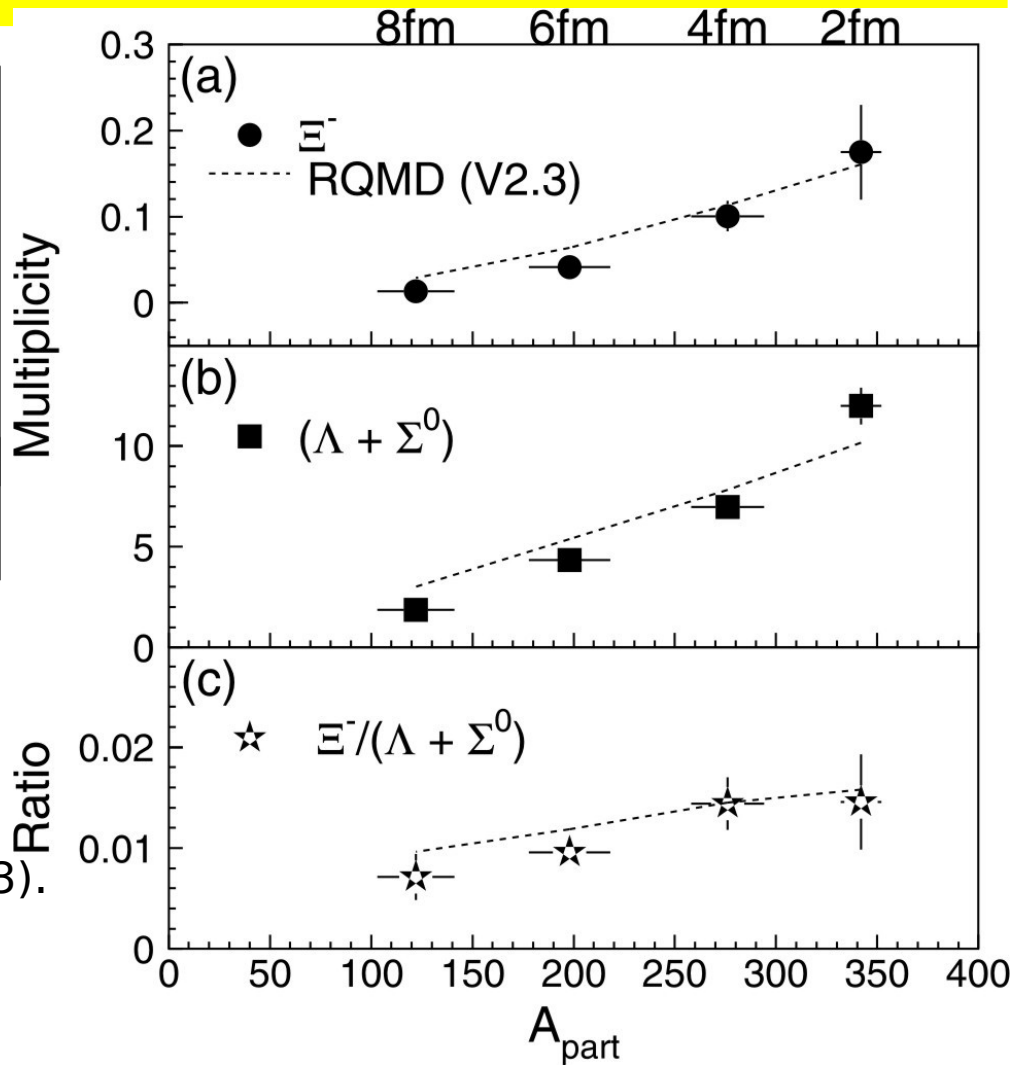
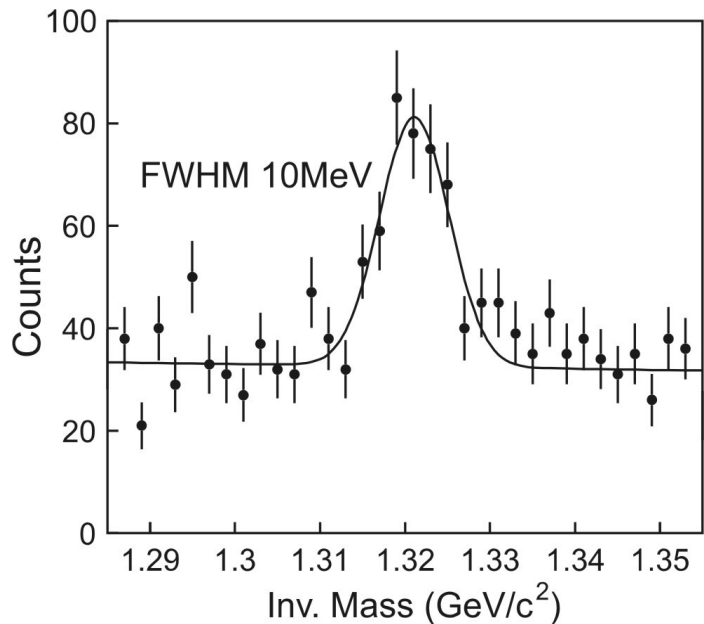
Measurements of the multistrange objects ( $\Xi$ ,  $\Omega$ , exotics) and hypernuclei in heavy ions collisions using extracted beams at Nuclotron close to the **threshold production** at the nuclear density of about **3-4  $\rho_0$**

The detector for the first stage of the experiment will be based on the developments for **CBM**, **MPD** and **SPD (HADES)**

# Messengers from the dense fireball at Nuclotron beam energies



# Ξ Hyperons at AGS: Au+Au 6 AGeV



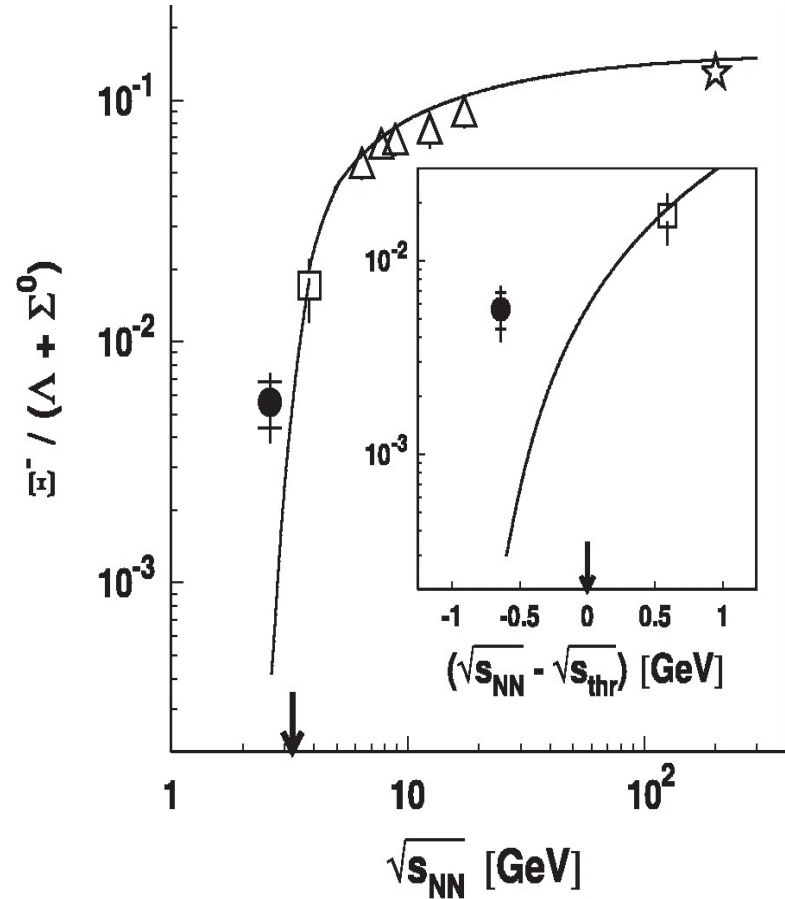
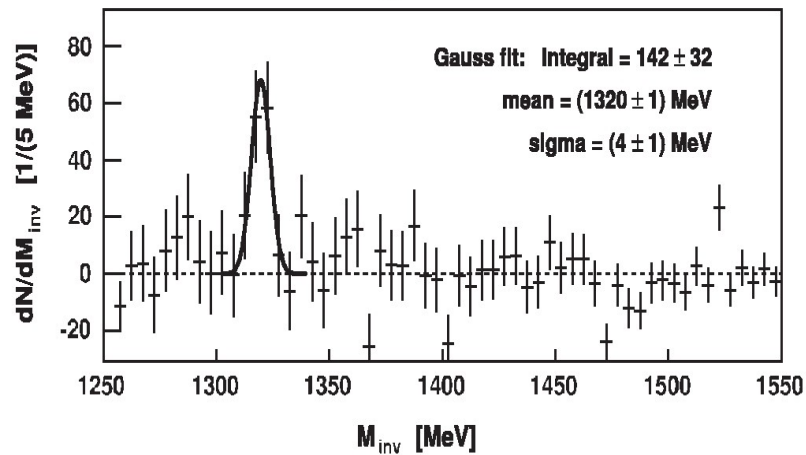
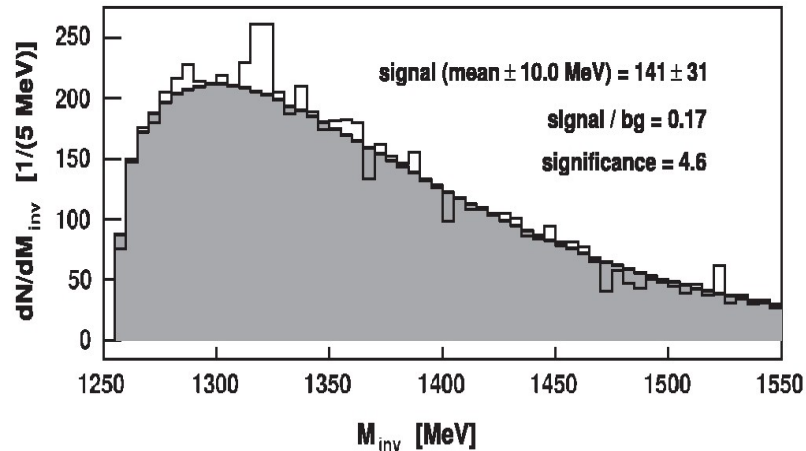
E895 Collaboration

P. Chung et al.,

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~ 250  $\Xi$  measured

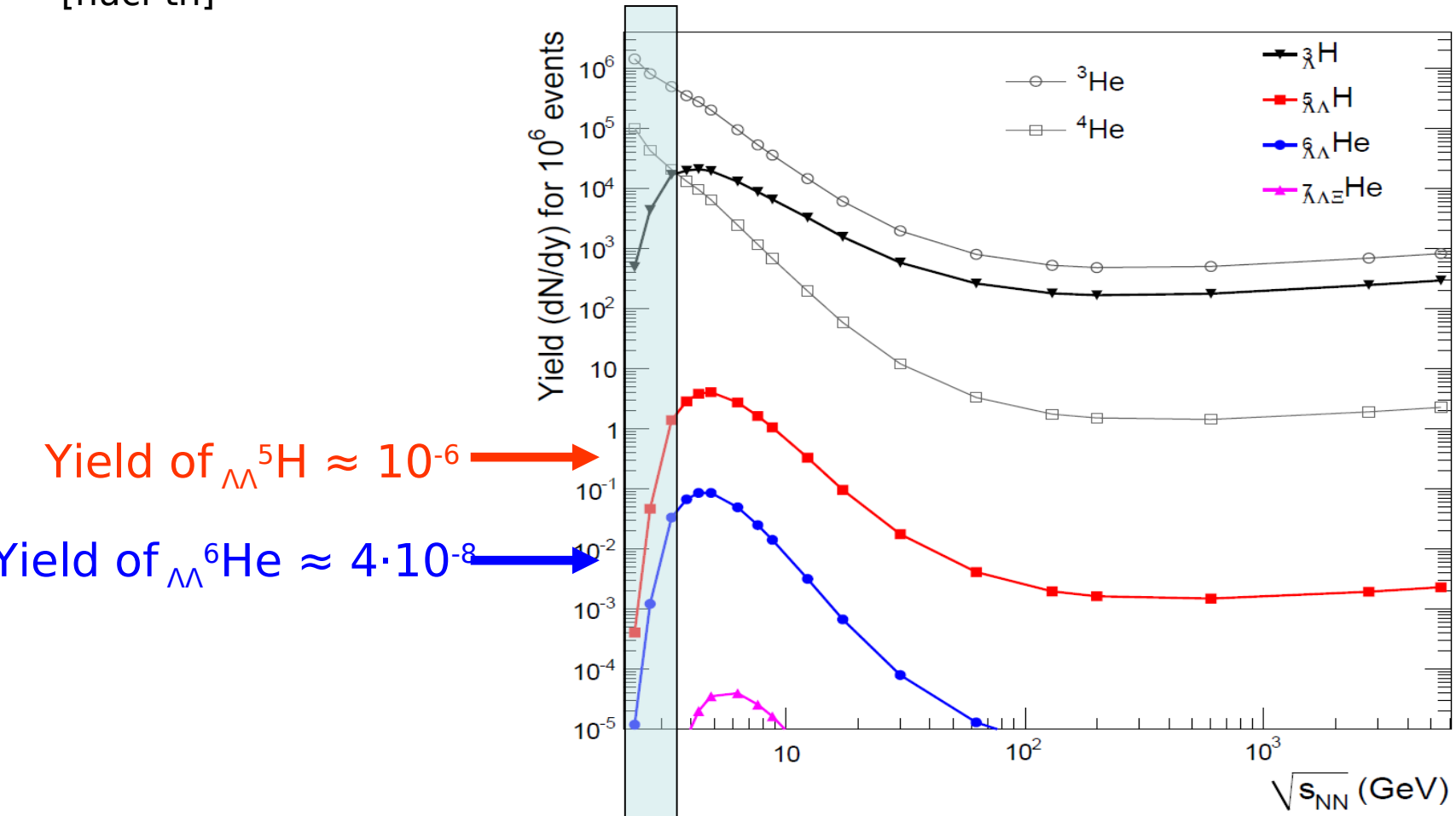
# Deep sub-threshold $\Xi^-$ production in Ar+KCl at 1.76 GeV at HADES



# Yield of (multi- $\Lambda$ ) hypernuclei in A+A collisions

Thermal model:

A. Andronic, P. Braun-Munzinger, J. Stachel, H. Stöcker, arXiv:1010.2995v1 [nucl-th]

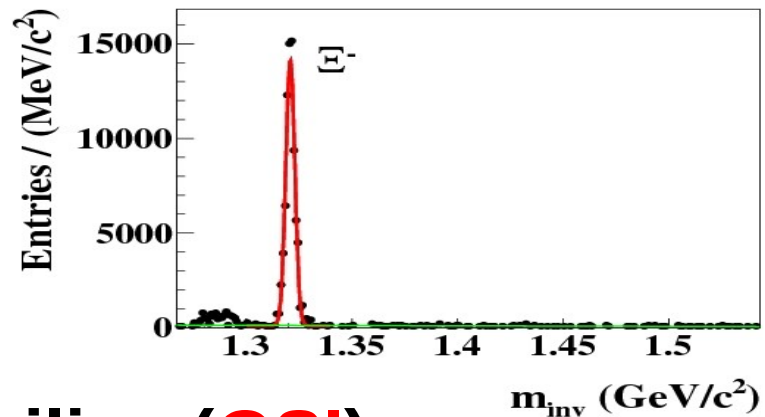
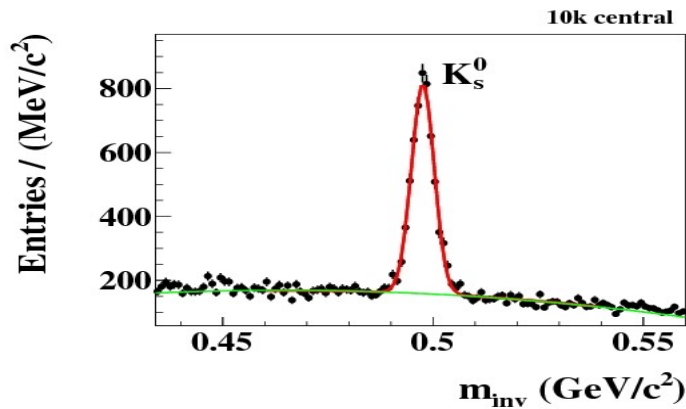
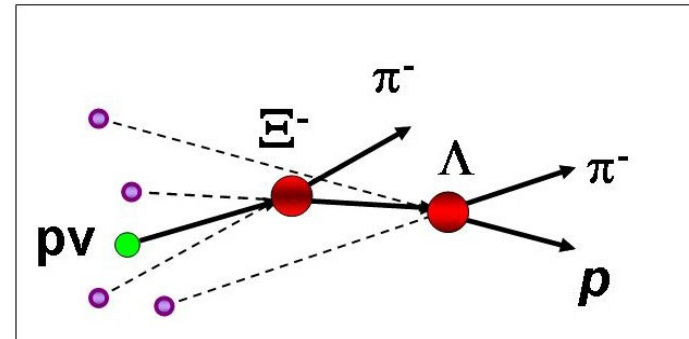
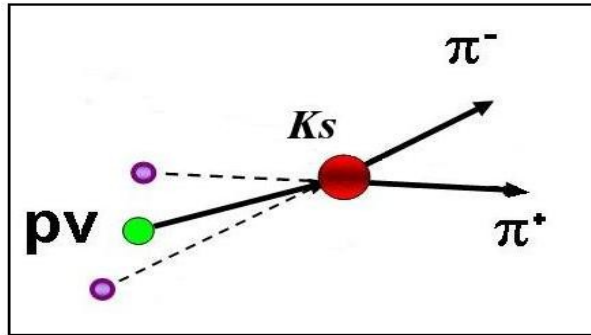


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Nuclotron ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.3 \text{ GeV}$ )

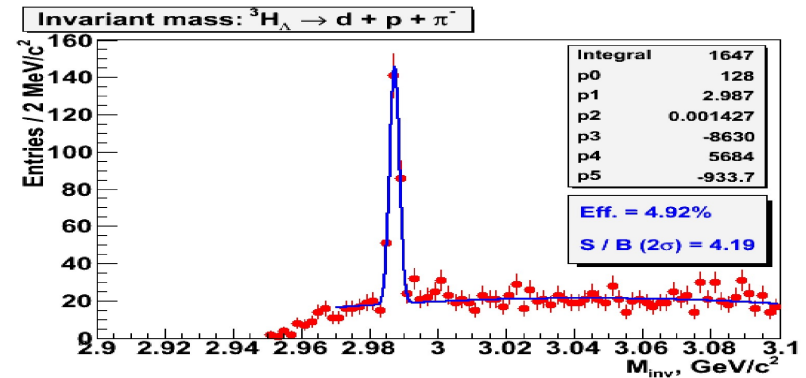
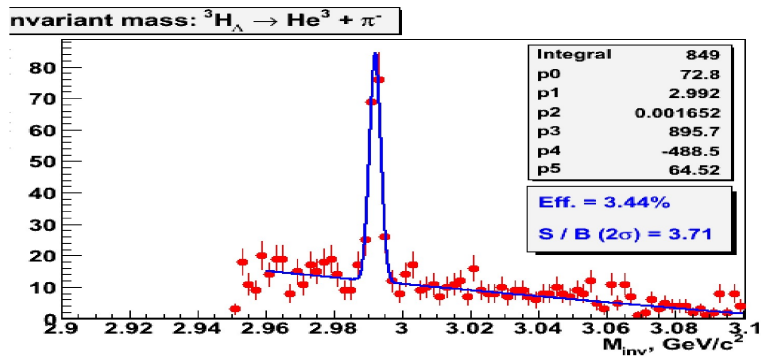
# Feasibility studies for large aperture setup layout at 4 GeV



Simulation – I.Vassiliev (GSI)

# Hypernuclei production for large aperture layout at 4GeV

${}^3\text{H}_\Lambda$  reconstruction in CBM (200k events)



Simulation – A.Zinchenko et al. (LHEP JINR)

# Counting rate and beam time estimation

## Hyperons production in Au+Au @ 4 GeV

Particle	E <sub>thr</sub> NN GeV	M central	M m.bias	ε %	Yield/s m. bias	Yield/week m. bias
$\Xi^-$	3.7	$1 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	3	75	$4.5 \cdot 10^7$
$\Omega^-$	6.9	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	3	1.5	$9 \cdot 10^5$
Anti- $\Lambda$	7.1	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15	0.15	$9 \cdot 10^4$
$\Xi^+$	9.0	$6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	3	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.7 \cdot 10^4$
$\Omega^+$	12.7	$1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	3	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^3$

## Hypernuclei production in Au+Au @ 4 GeV

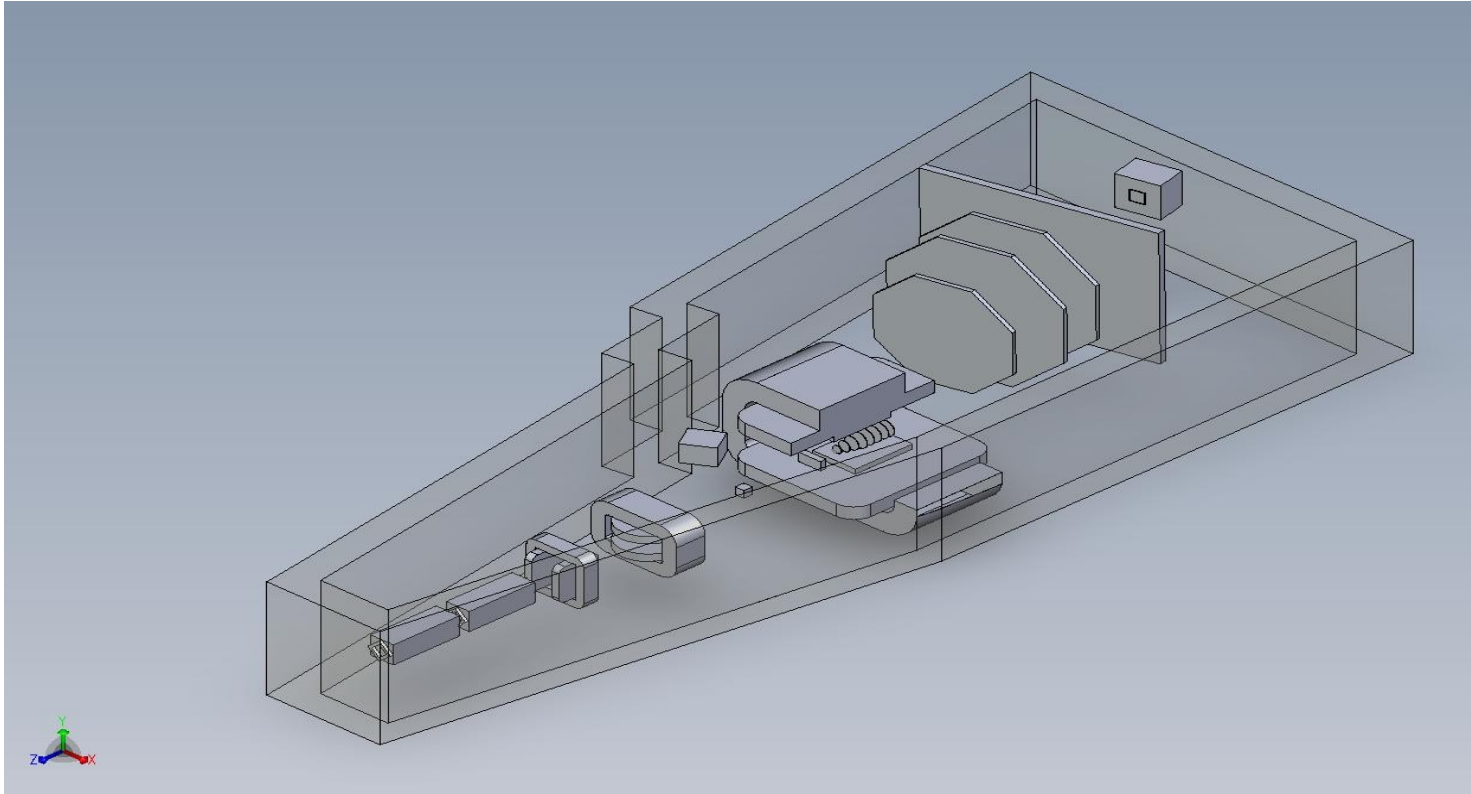
Hyper nuclei	M central	ε %	Yield/s central	Yield/week central
$\Lambda^3\text{H}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	8	16	$10^7$
$\Lambda\Lambda^5\text{H}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1	$1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	60
$\Lambda\Lambda^6\text{He}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-8}$	1	$3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1.8

**0.1 MHz min.bias interactions**

(beam is  $10^7$  Au/sec and thin - 1% Au target)

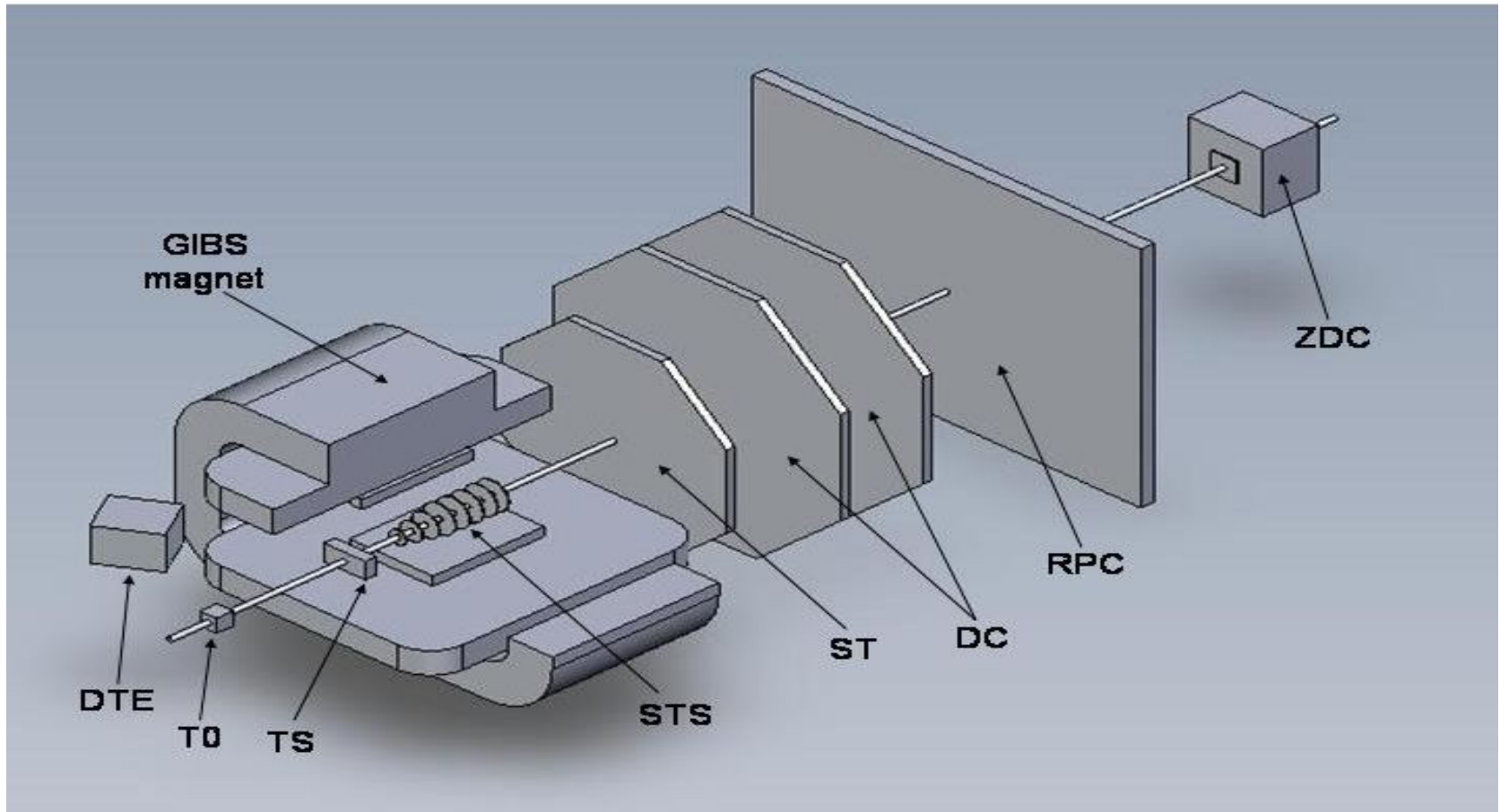


# The detection system at the beamline 6V in the experimental hall 205

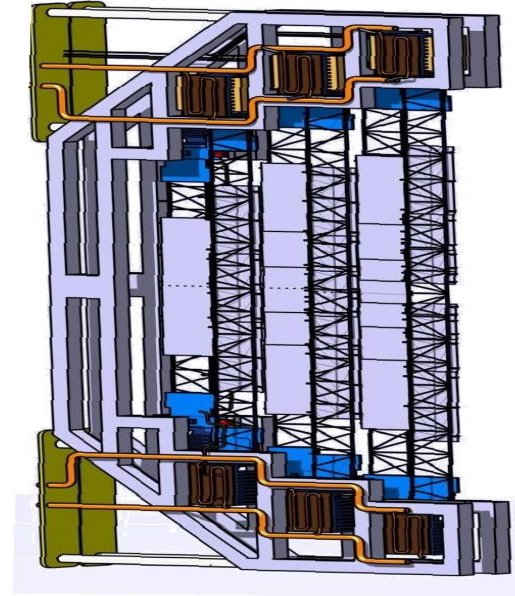
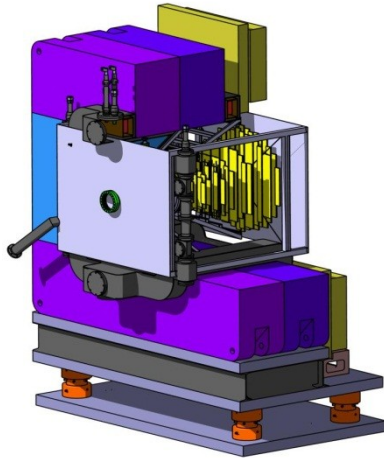


**At the first stage of the experiment the existing magnetic optics: 2 lenses, 2 rotating magnets and large analyzing magnet of the 6V beamline will be used.**

# Large Acceptance Spectrometer with Tracker



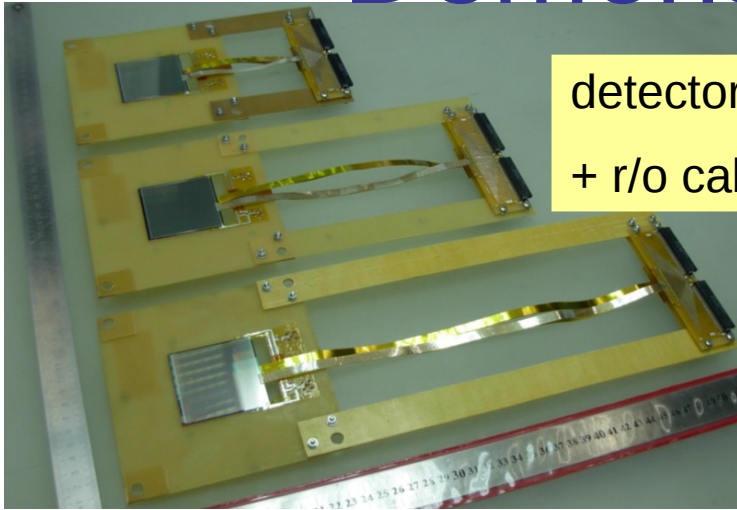
# Tracker (silicon or hybrid)



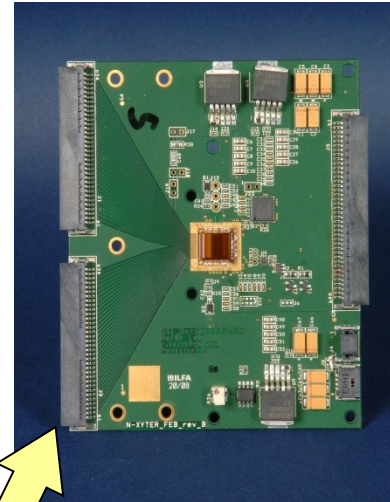
For Nuclotron experiment also  
**8** Stations (last 4 with smaller size)  
(last 4 - GEMs and straws)

**CBM GSI**  
**MPD JINR**

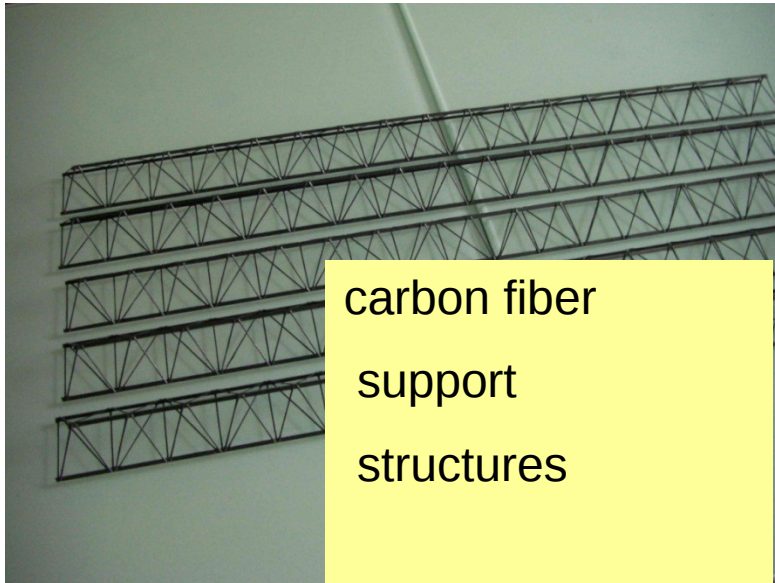
# Demonstrator module



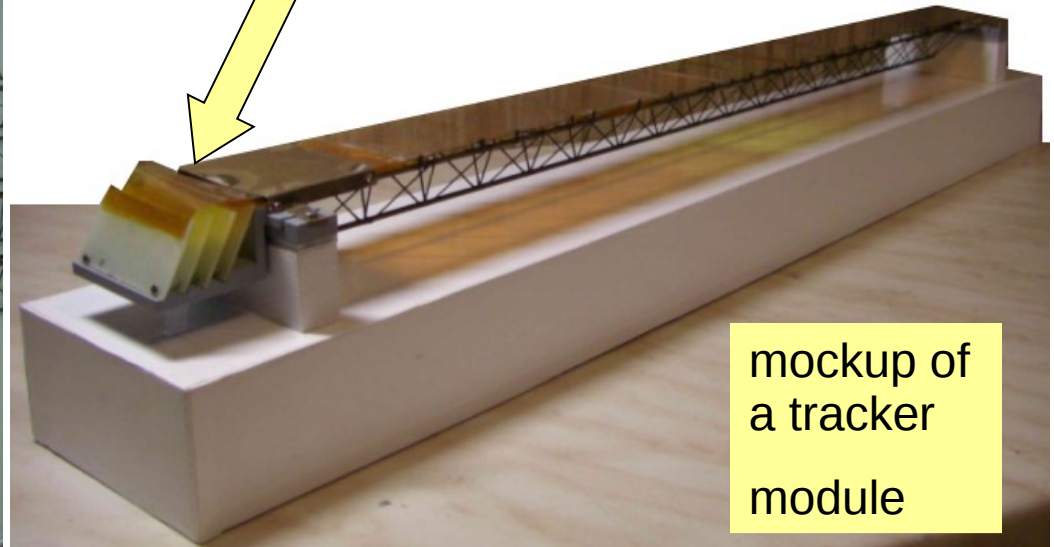
detectors  
+ r/o cable



Front-end  
electronics  
board  
based on  
n-XYTER  
chip

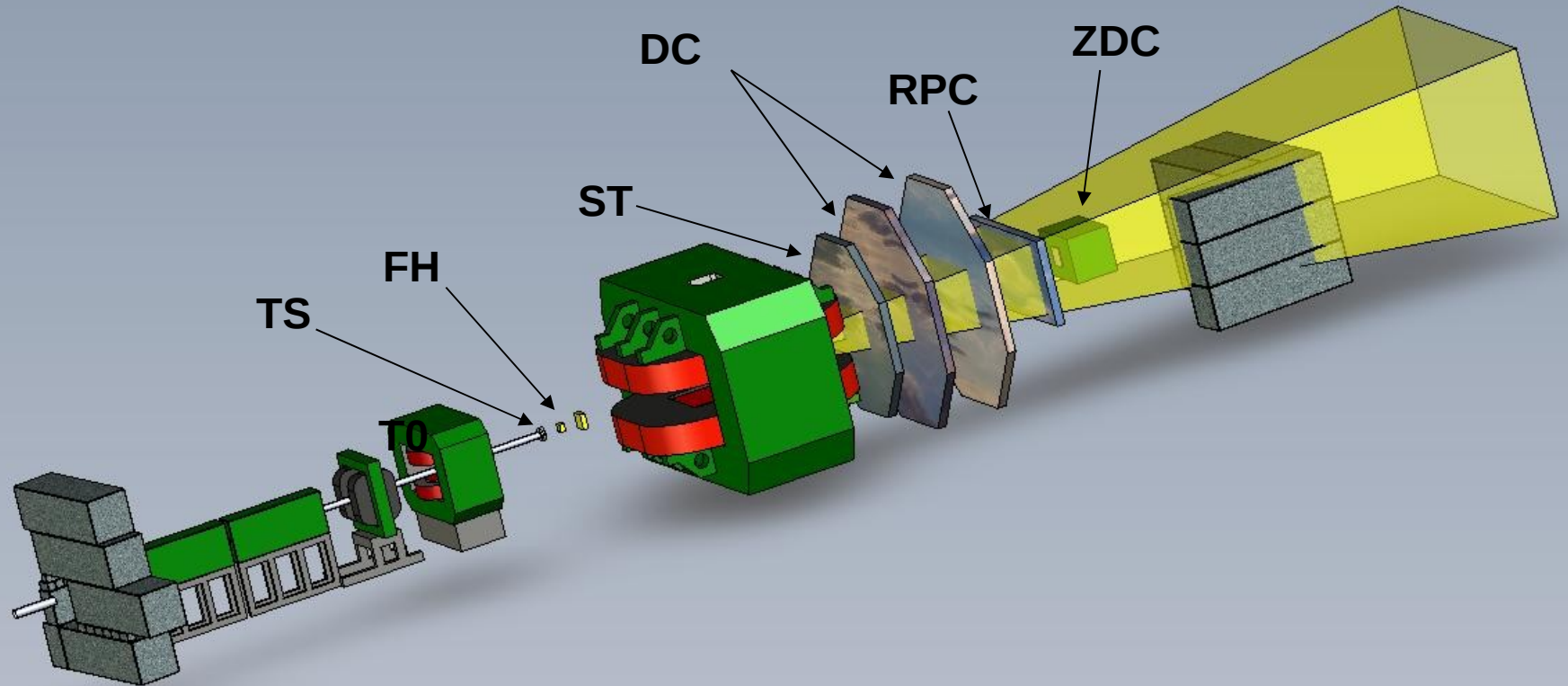


carbon fiber  
support  
structures



mockup of  
a tracker  
module

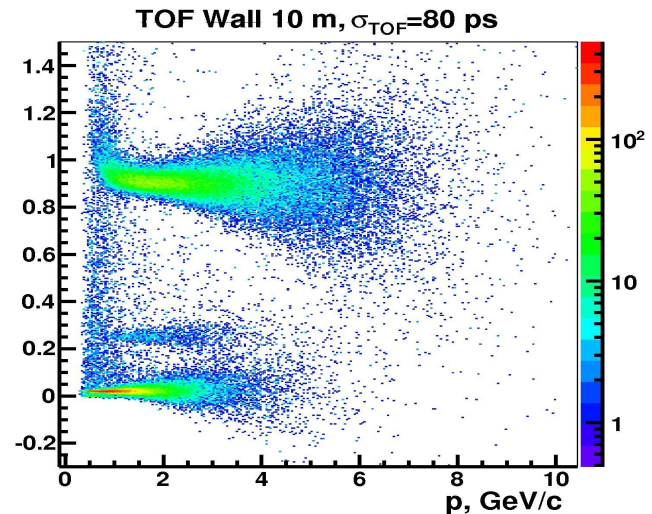
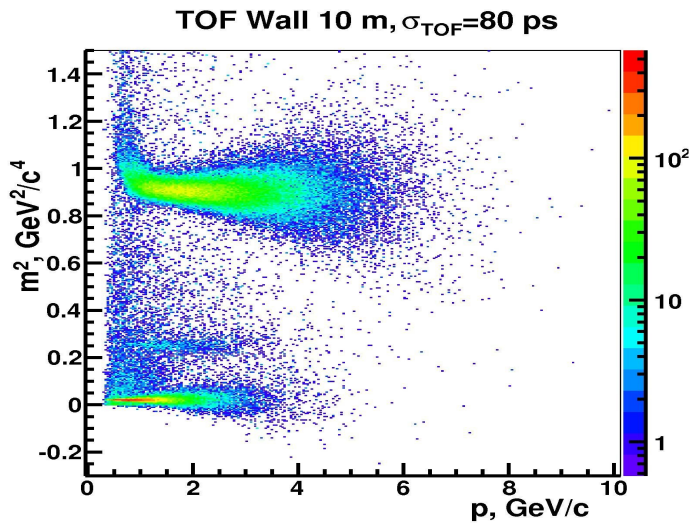
# Stage 1 of BM@N setup



RPC at the distance of 8 m from the target



# PID using TOF and momentum



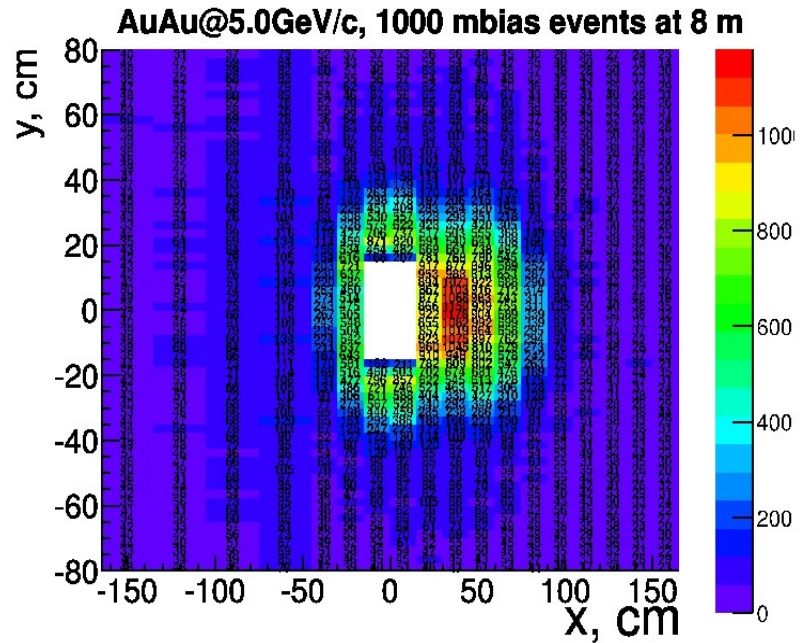
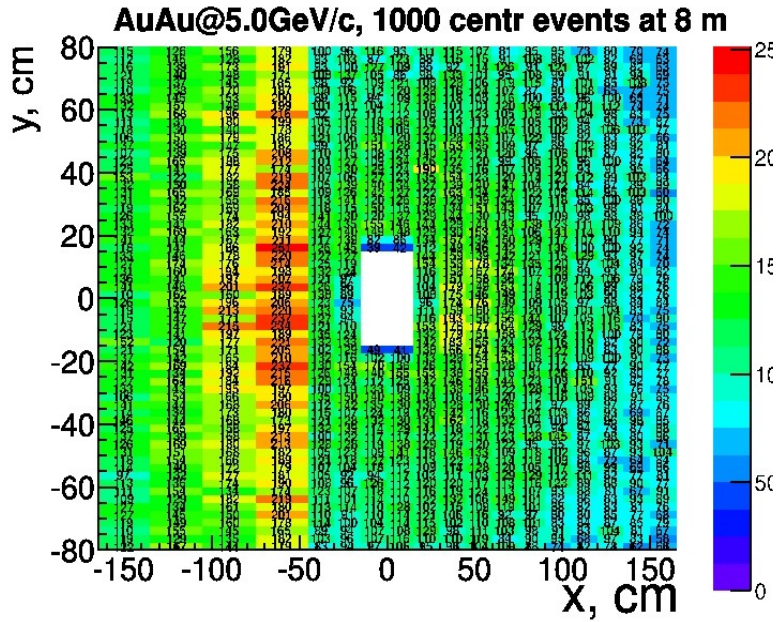
**Au+Au @ 3.5 GeV**

**Cu+Cu @ 5 GeV**

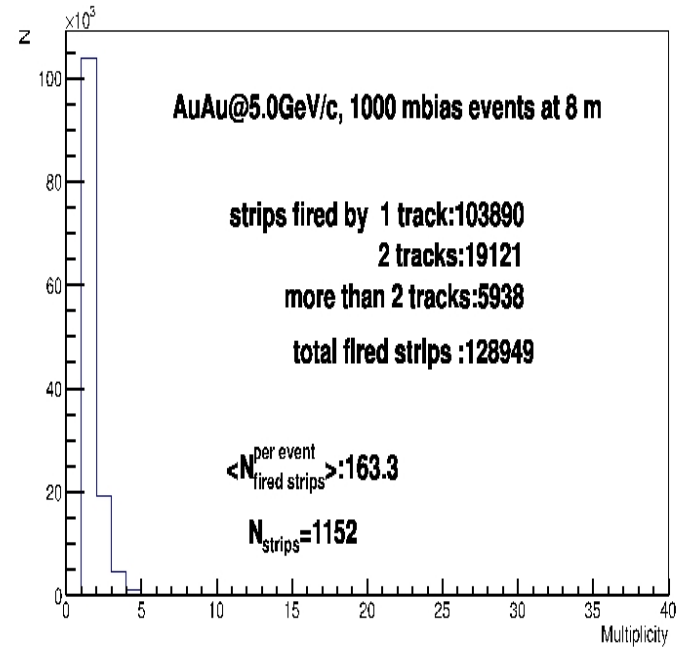
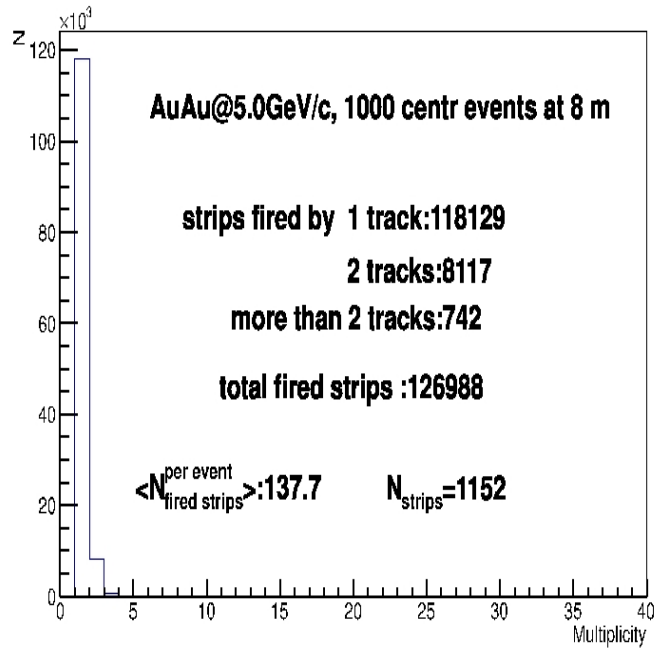
**TOF baseline of 10m and resolution 80 ps  
provides the good PID**

**Simulation- T.Vasiliev (LHEP-JINR)**

# Simulation for TOF



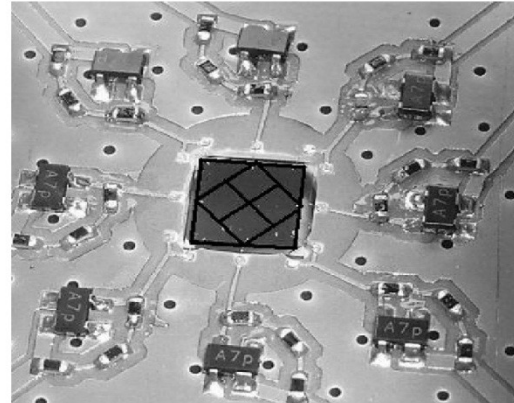
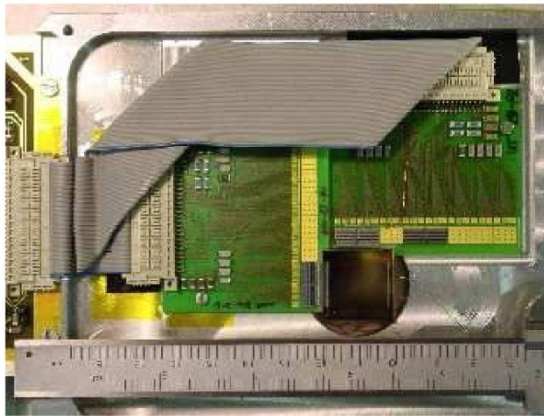
# Simulation for TOF



**2 options: warm float glass mRPCs  
outer part — float glass RPCs**



# T0 for TOF system

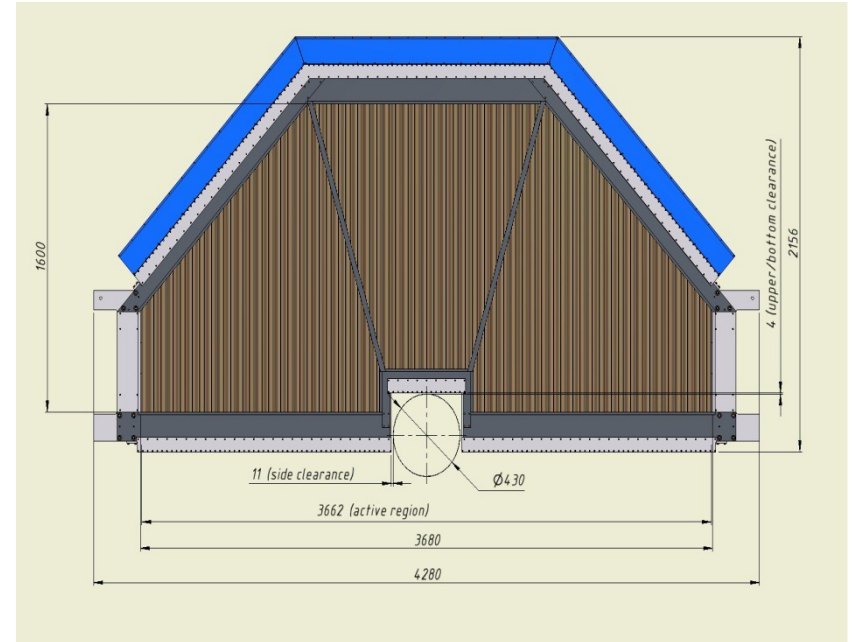


**Diamond detector with good timing resolution**  
**SciFi detectors for low intensity (and test) beam**

# Outer tracker (DC and ST)



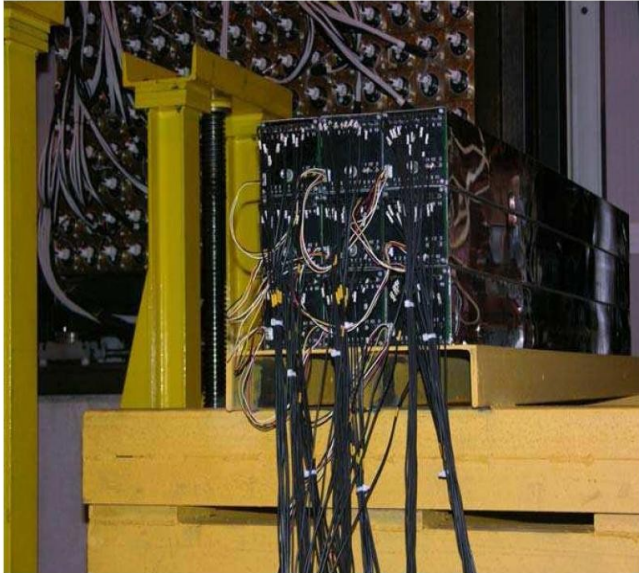
2 Drift Chambers  
(NA48 JINR/CERN)



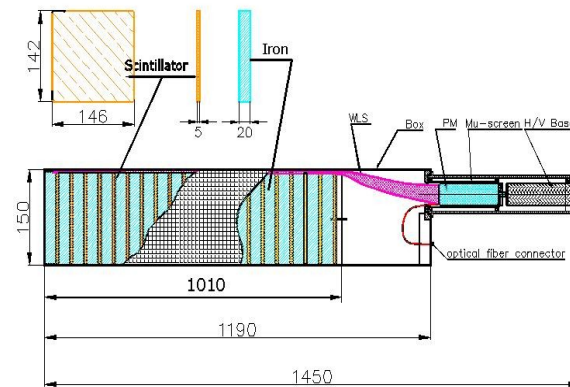
Straw Tubes Station  
(CBM GSI, MPD JINR)



# Zero Degree Calorimeter

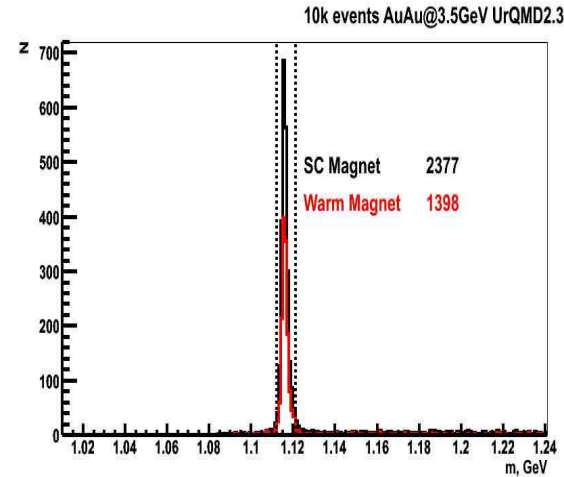
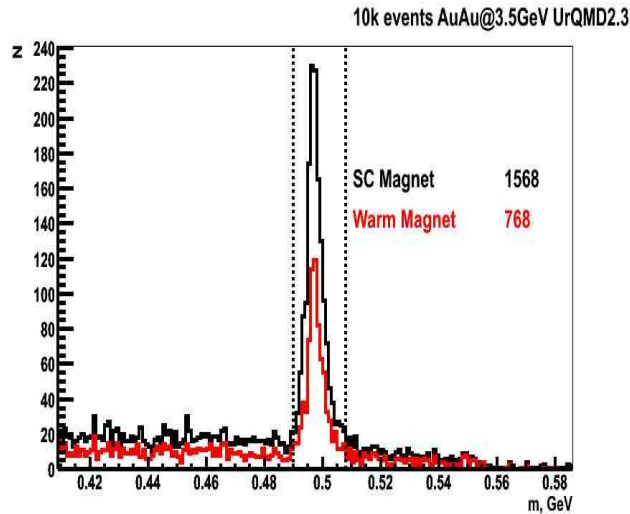


PSD-type (CBM/NA61 INR)

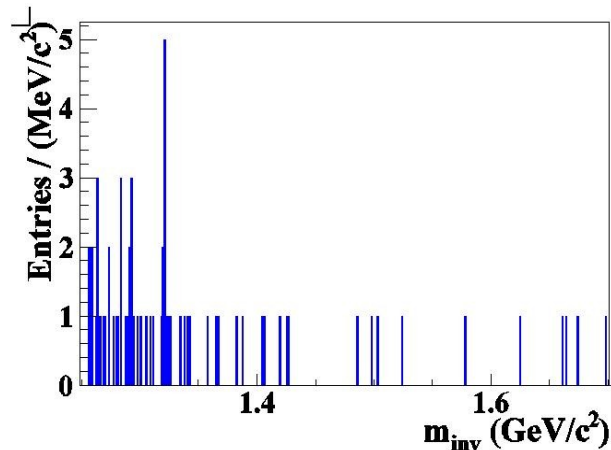


HCAL-type  
(COMPASS JINR/IHEP)

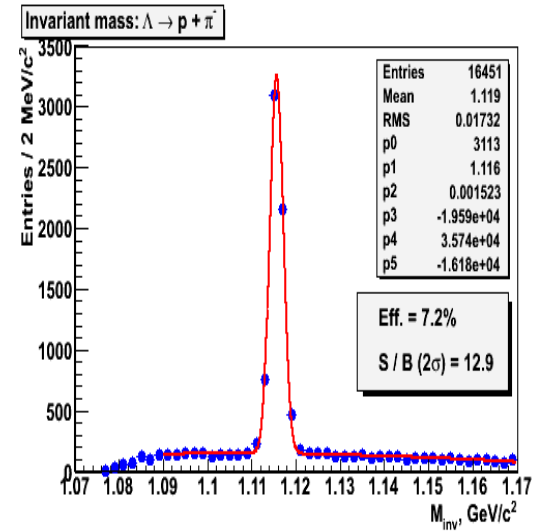
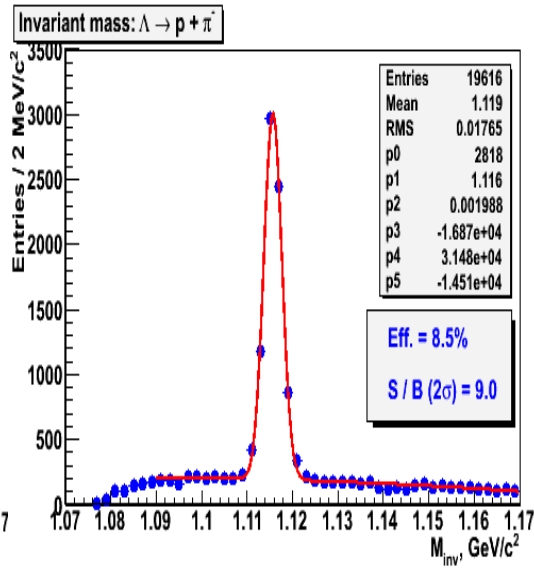
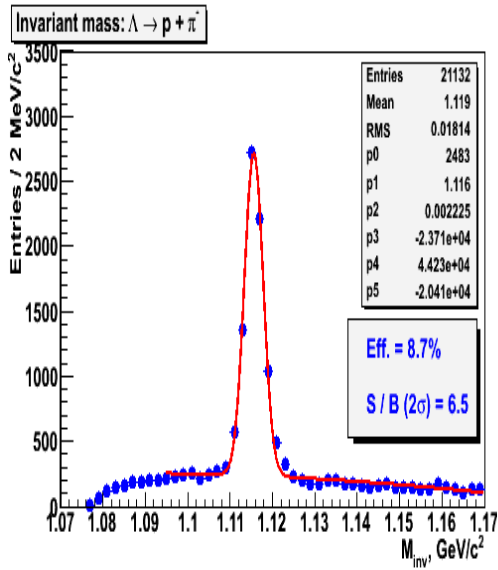
# Feasibility studies for Nuclotron experiment (CBM SC magnet)



The detection efficiency 2 times  
less than for CBM  
(from simulation performed  
At JINR and GSI)



# Simulation: B scale



**B= 0.5**

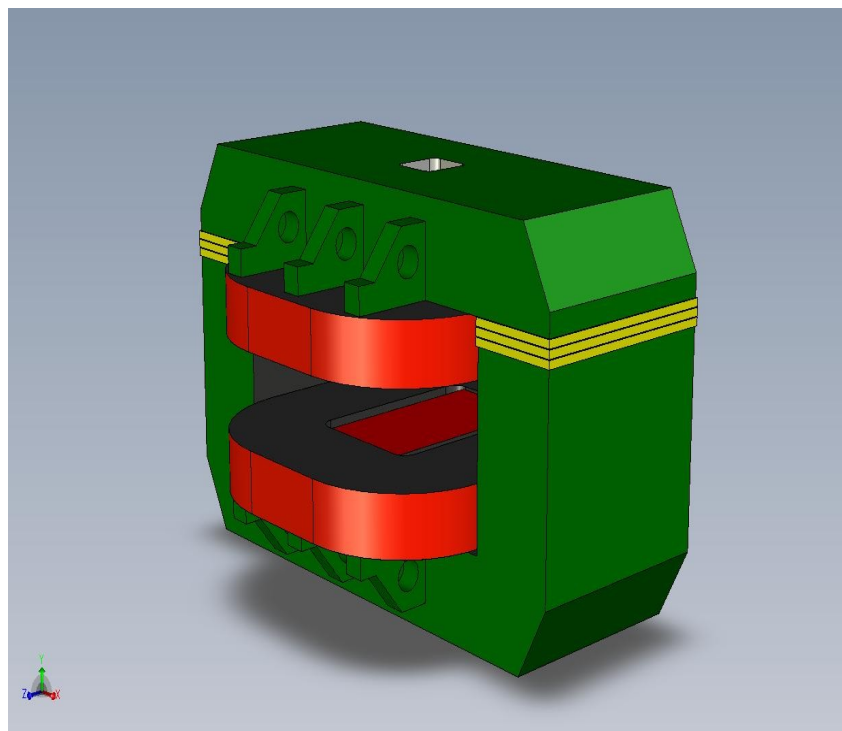
**0.67**

**1.0 Bmax**

## Enlargement of the acceptance

$\Omega$ -hyperons reconstruction requires PID by TOF. It is necessary to increase the acceptance.

Enlarge the distance between the poles of existing WM (upto 1m).



**Further simulation is required!**

# Steps in 2011 (Phase0)

**Site preparation**

**Magnetic elements of 6V beamline reparation**

**Technical Requirement for the site and the beam**

**Magnetic optics calculations**

**Simulation and setup optimization**

**Project preparation**

**Urgent expences (minimal R&D, PMTs etc.)**

**Test beam in the Dec. 2011 Nuclotron run**

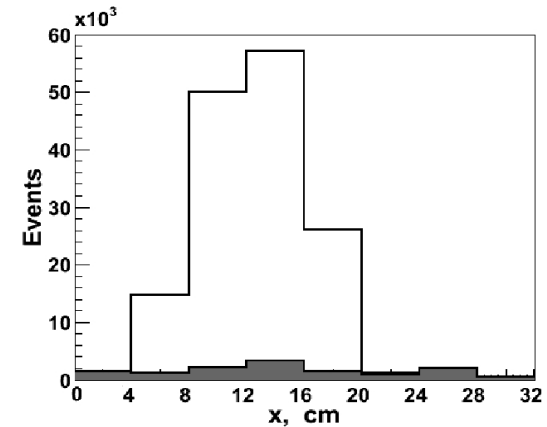
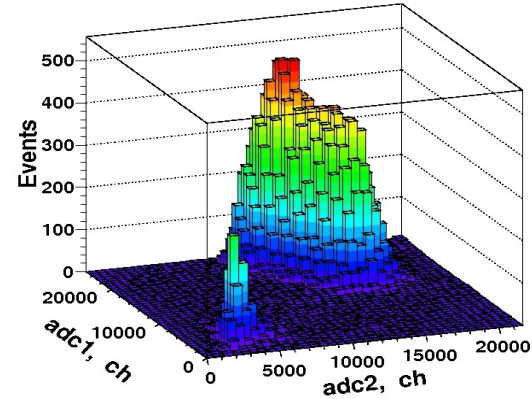


# BM@N area in November 2011



Ready for testbeam with carbon at **6V** beamline

# December 2011 carbon test beam results



**The measurements at 3.42 A GeV at Nuclotron with carbon beam and the existing beamlines are feasible!**

# Time table of the experiment

ID	Task Name	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
1	Simulations	█						
2	Preparation of experimental site	█						
3	Installation beam line 6V		█					
4	Installation BM@N cave		█					
5	Installation beam tube, beam monitors			█				
6	Installation drift chambers		█					
7	Construction TOF-RPC, T0		█					
8	Tracker TDR		█					
9	Construction STS			█				
10	Design of SC magnet			█				
11	Construction GD tracker		█					
12	Construction DAQ, slow-control		█					
13	Installation detectors, commissioning			█				
14	Data taking			█				

**Phase0 (2011) – The site preparation and simulation**

**Phase1 (2012-2014)–The detector construction and commissioning**

**Phase2 (2015-.....) - The data taking at 3.5, 4.0 and 4.65 A GeV**

# Status of the experiment in 2012

1. The experiment is approved by JINR PAC for 2012 with the first priority for the comprehensive TDR preparation
2. Money for infrastructure and prototypes for 2012 are supplied from JINR budget in full volume

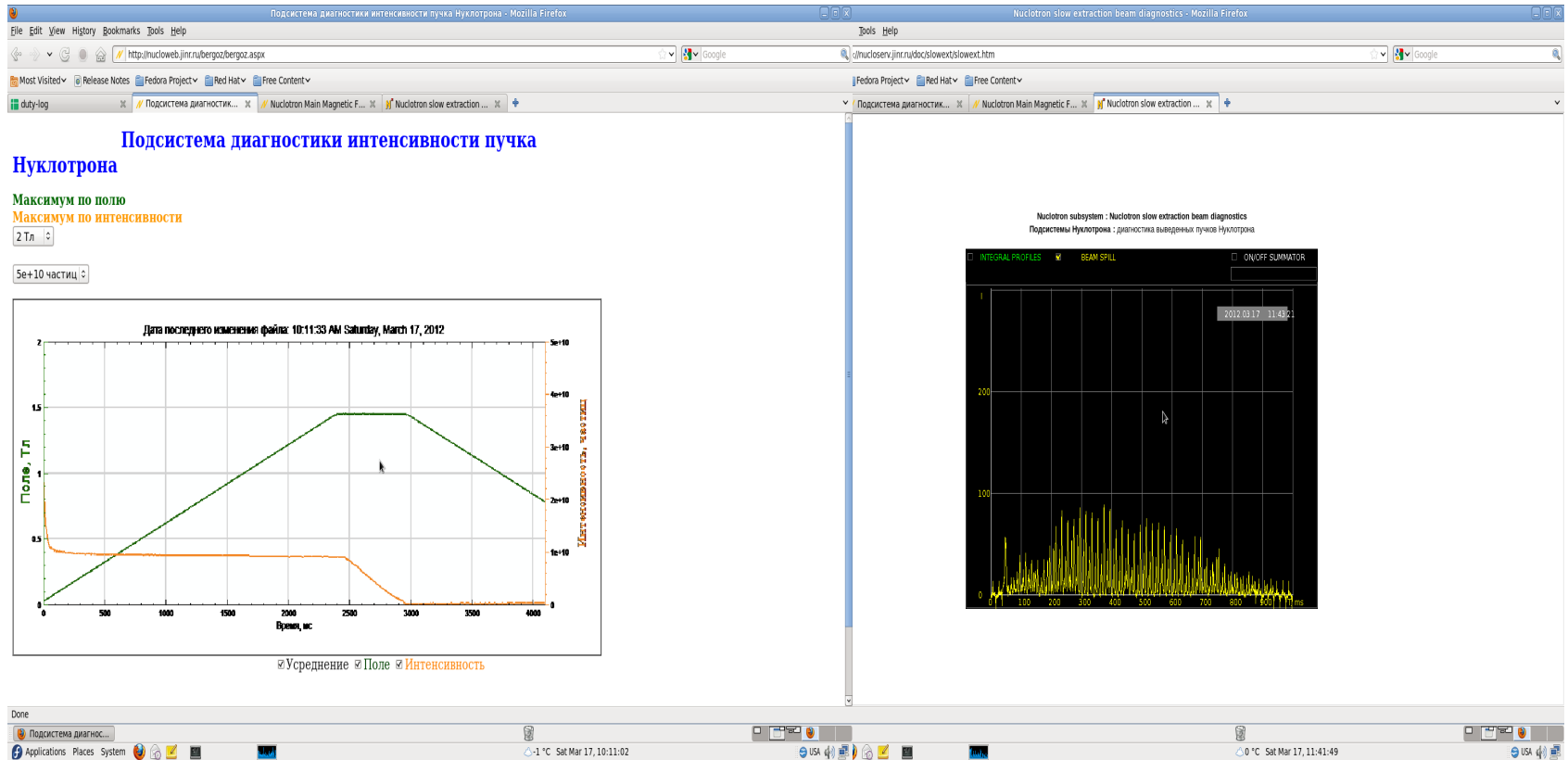
**We are forming now the working groups**

(InfraStructure, FEE-DAQ, Tracking, Magnet, Centrality Detectors, Silicon Tracker, TOF .....

Physics - **31 July 2012**

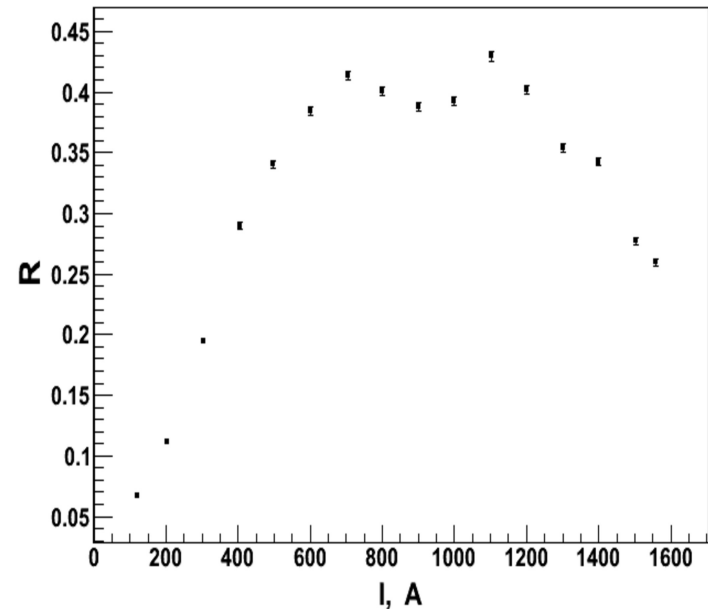
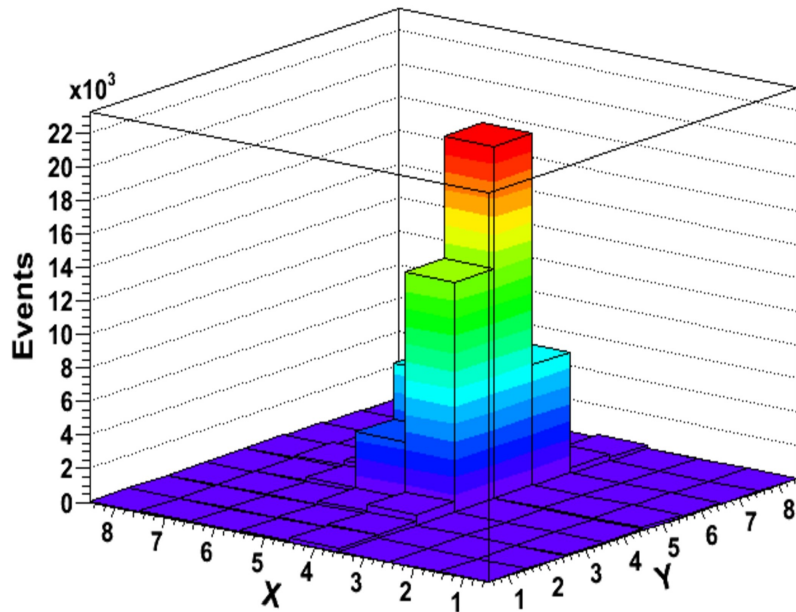
Detectors – **1 August 2012**

# March 2012 deuteron test beam at 4 GeV



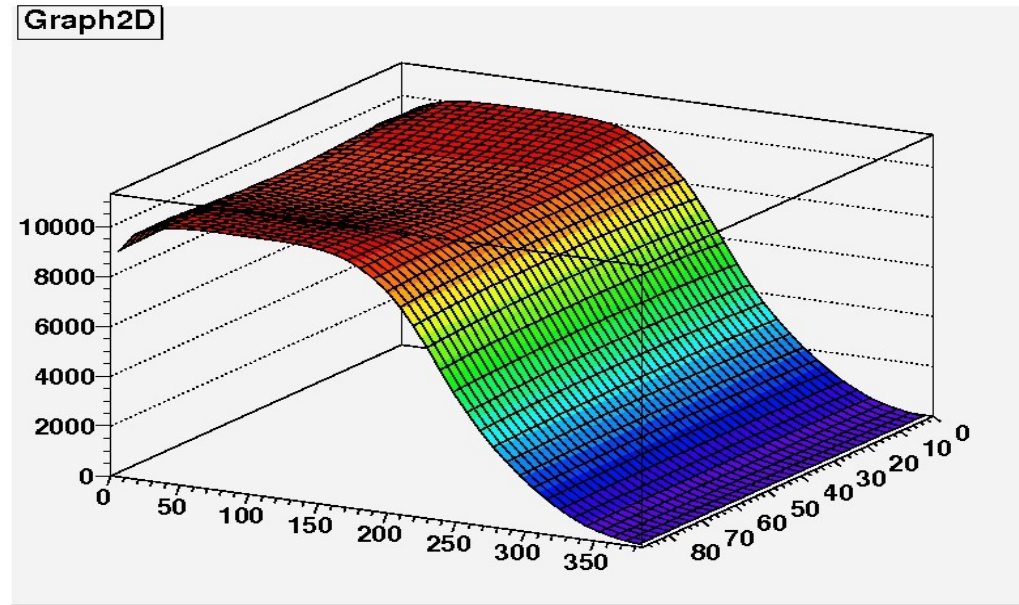
Needs to increase the ramp velocity to 6kGs/s and duration of the flattop in order to have duty factor 0.5

# 17 March 2012 **deuteron** test beam results



1. The measurements at 3.5 and 4.0 A GeV at Nuclotron with the existing beamlines are feasible.
2. Test beam (protons and deuterons) can be provided in the energy range 1-4 GeV/nucleon.

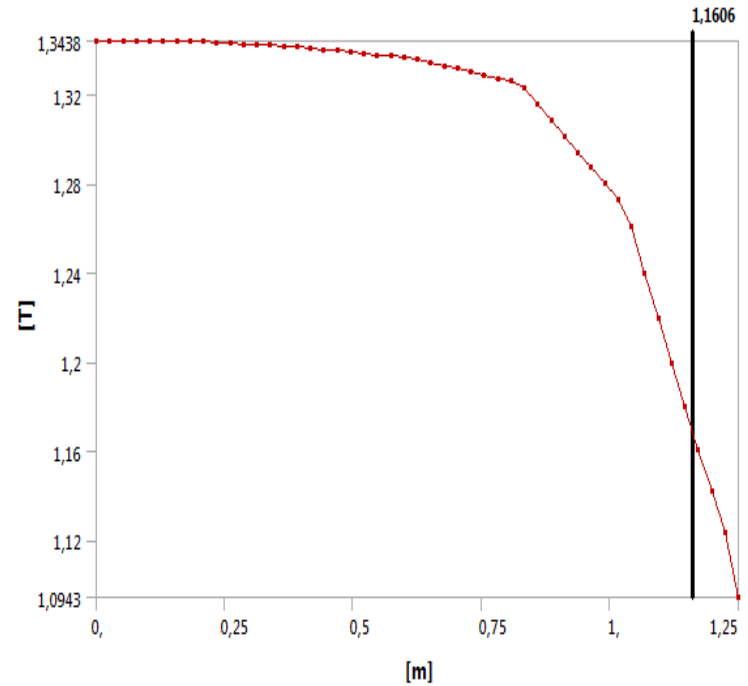
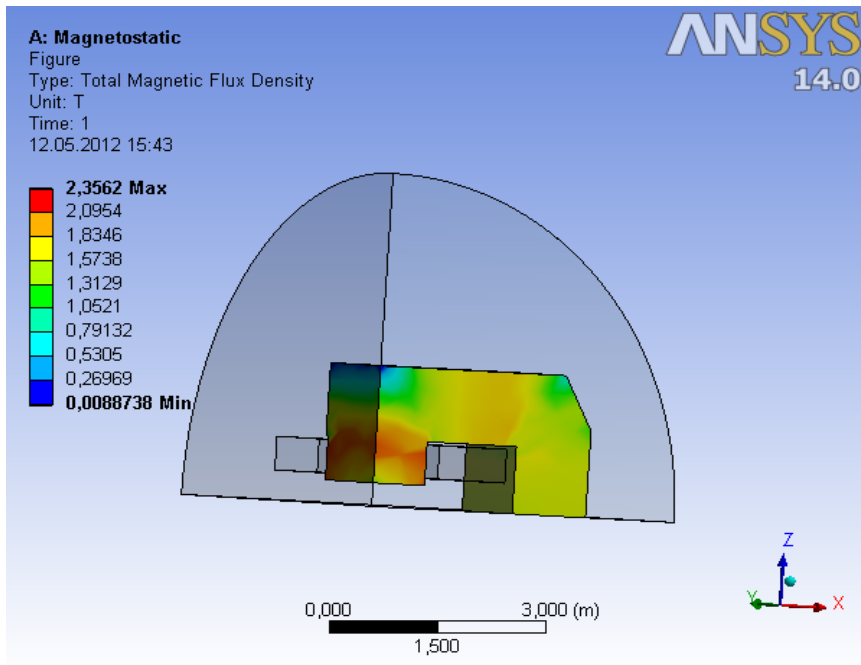
## Analyzing magnet SP-41 (warm)



The field integral is **2 T·m** at the max. current (**1900 A**)  
In March 2012 run the current up to **1570 A** was used.

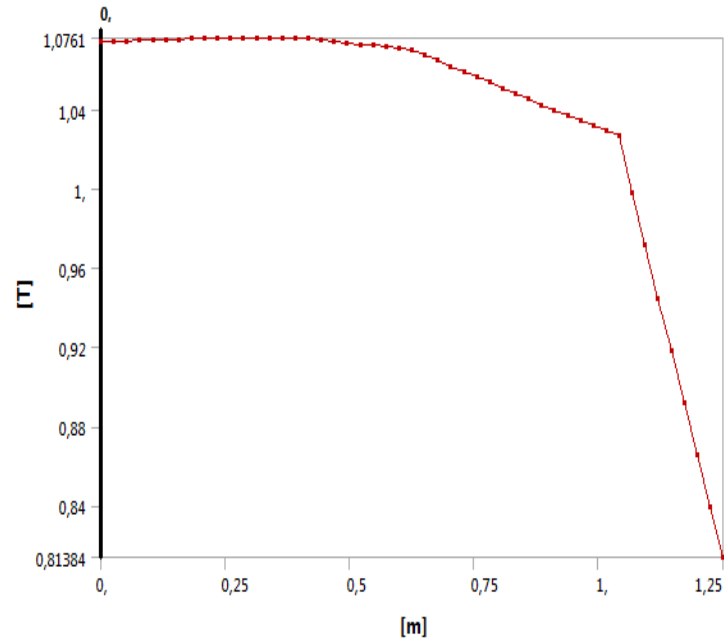
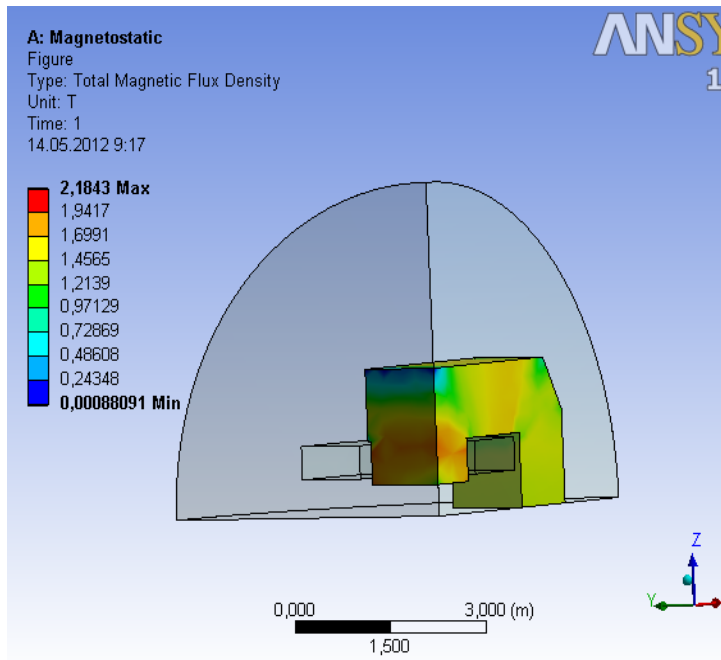
This will allow to perform the measurements up to  
**4.65 A GeV** (maximal energy of Au-beam)

# Existing Magnet





# Enlarged Magnet (+24 cm)



**Field integral is 25% less  
(1 cm = 1%)**

## Further steps in 2012

1. Test beam in February-March with 3.5-4.0 A GeV deuterons (**done**).
2. Working groups, definition of the minimal configuration for the experiment.
3. Infrastructure for the experiment and detectors manufacture.
4. Test beam in November 2012 – reading of several different detectors.

*Due magnet problem – cosmic run?*

# 2012-2013

- 1. End of 2012 – Lol, CDR, TDR for the start version**
- 2. End of 2013 – TDR (STS+ GD-tracker)**
- 3. Hopefully, end 2013 - first stage of the setup (magnetic spectrometer option and test beam area) will be ready.**
- 4. 2012-2013 – agreements, fundings.**

# Life after 2016

Assuming that there will be a life after **21.12.2012**, the following question arises:

If there will be a room for BM@N during CBM&HADES at SIS100 and MPD at NICA ?

Answer: Yes, but we have to find the **unique branch**

Options: large aperture, fine electromagnetic calorimetry, wide scientific program (including spin effects)

**Strong theoretical support is required!**

# Conclusions

- High discovery potential, new insight of the problem
- Frontier for the large scale experiments (CBM, MPD, SPD etc.)
- New detector technologies for JINR home experiments
- Inevitable step in the collider experiments (MPD and SPD) realization
- Young JINR scientists perspectives



**Backup slides**

# JINR budget request

Form №29

Estimate of the JINR budget expenses for the project: **Study of the strange matter production in the heavy ion collisions at Nuclotron (BM@N project).**

№	Title of the expenses	Total cost , k\$	1 year	2 year	3 year	4 year	5 year
	Direct expenses	3300	700	900	700	500	500
1.	Accelerator Nuclotron (hours)	2500	100	300	500	500	600
2.	Computing						
3.	Computer network						
4.	Design office (n.hours)	5000	1500	1500	1000	500	500
5.	Model shop (n.hours)	5500	1200	1200	1200	1000	900
6.	Matherials	1100	250	300	230	160	160
7.	Equipment	1400	300	440	310	180	170
8.	Payment of SEW, made on the agreements	500	100	100	100	100	100
9.	Travel expences, including	300	50	60	60	60	70
	a) countries of the non-rouble zone	250	40	50	50	50	60
	b) rouble zone	50	10	10	10	10	10
	c) travels on the contracts						

Project leader

Ladygin V.P.

LHEP Director

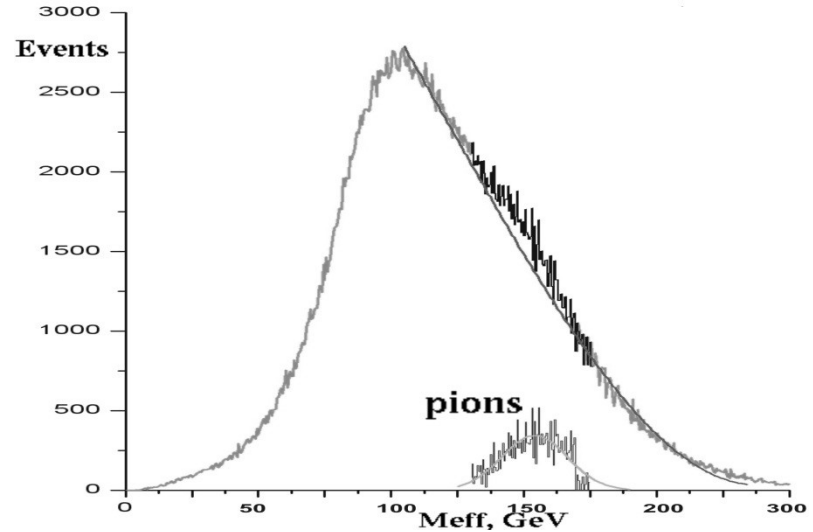
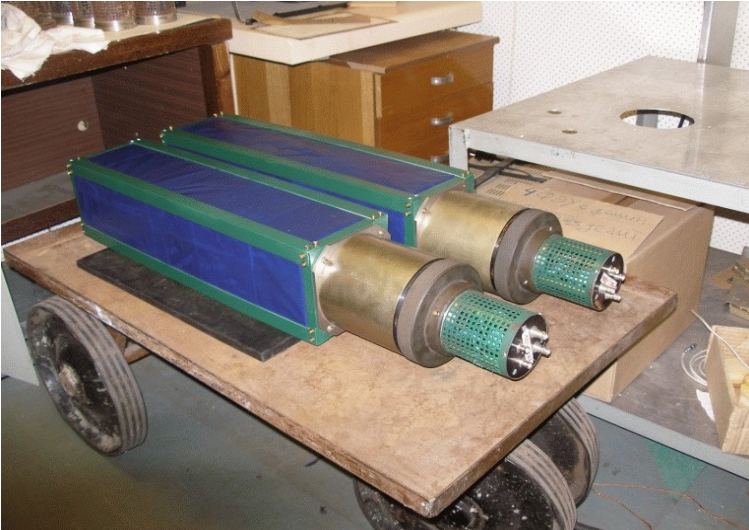
Kekelidze V.D.

Leading economist

Volkova G.G.

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# Detector of Transverse Energy



**(INR/JINR)**

**DTE** is 30 blocks of  $15 \times 15 \text{ cm}^2$  and  $14 X_0$  scintillating glass SGS1 (from **PINOT** spectrometer).

Test beam with 2 blocks at ITS at Nuclotron



# Total request

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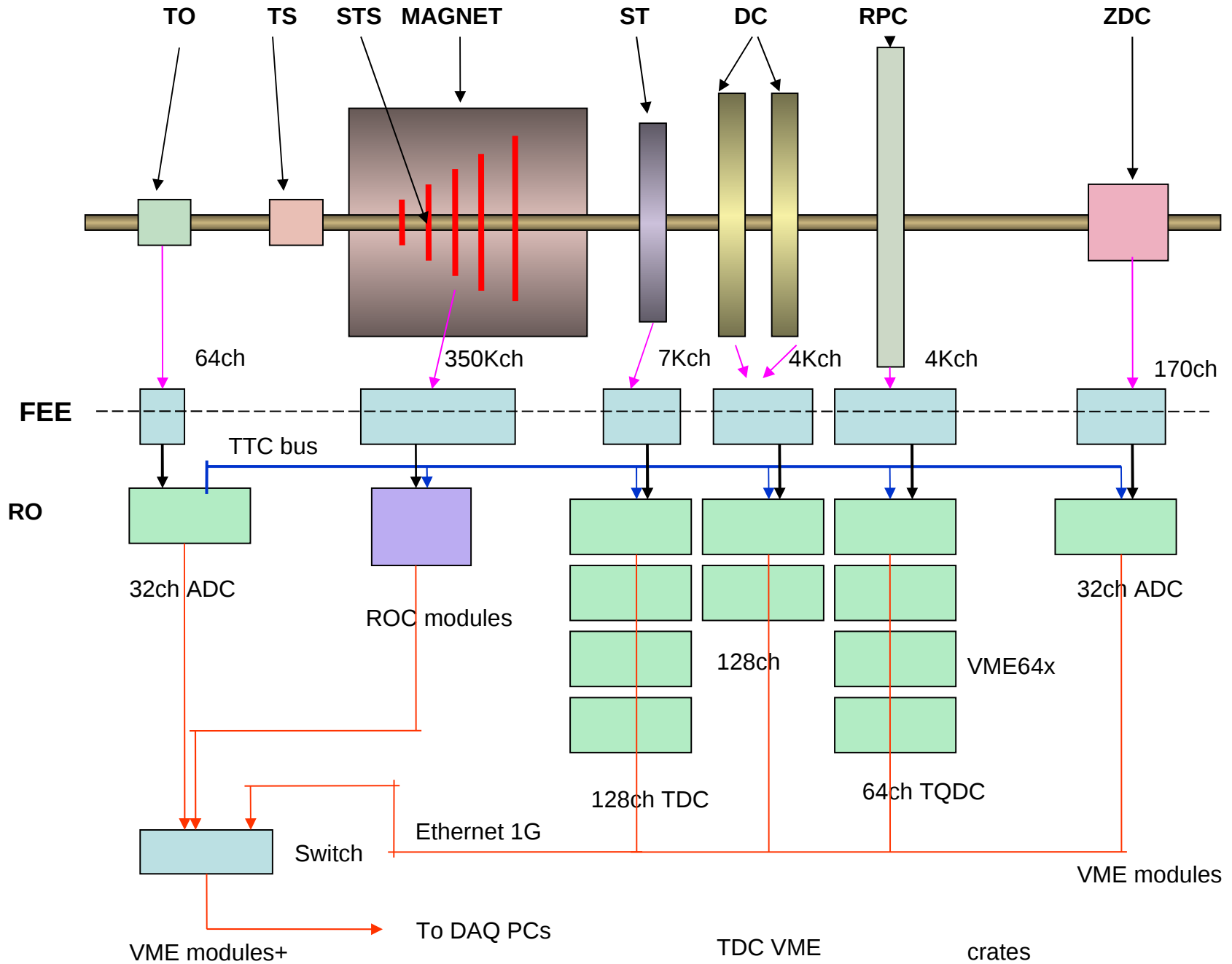
Suggested time-table and wherewithal for realization of project:

**Study of the strange matter production in the heavy ion collisions at Nuclotron (BM@N project).**

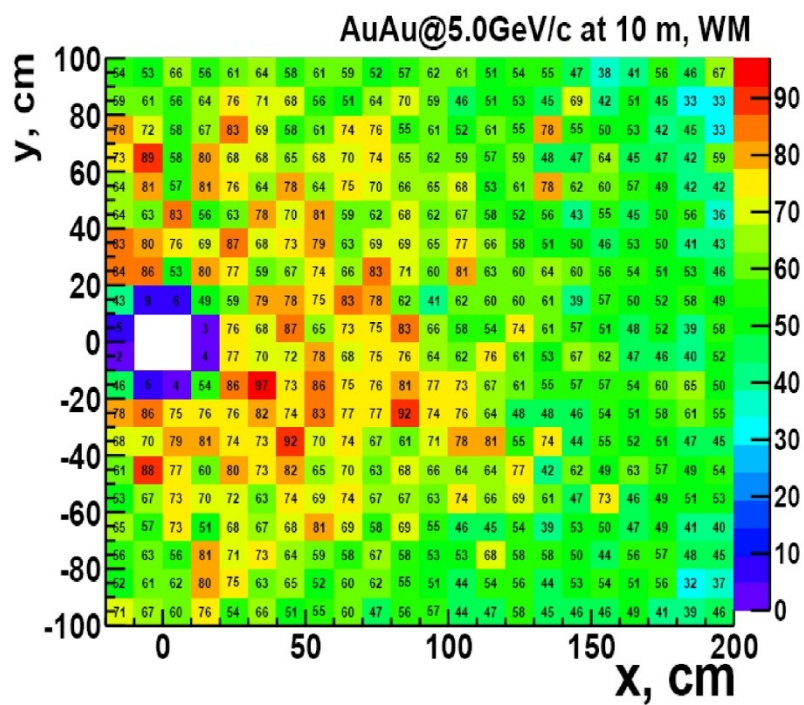
Name of components and systems at plants, resources, funding sources		Cost of components (k\$) of plant. Resources requirements	Proposals of laboratories on financing and resources					
			1 y.	2 y.	3 y.	4 y.	5 y.	
equipment and materials	Detectors	4500	300	500	2000	1200	500	
	Registration electronics	3500	300	500	1500	1100	100	
	Prototypes	500	100	150	150	50	50	
	Infrastructure	1200	100	300	400	200	200	
	DAQ/FLES	500	50	50	150	200	50	
resources: Other	Hours	JINR model shop						
	Hours	Design office	5000 hours	1500	1500	1000	500	500
	Hours	LHEP model shop	5500 hours	1200	1200	1200	1000	900
	Hours	Accelerator Nuclotron Reactor Computing	2500 hours	100	300	500	500	600
		Operating costs						
Sources and	Budget	Budget cost including currency amount	3300	700	900	700	500	500
			300	50	60	60	60	70
Fundings	Our budget	Collaboration holding	500	100	100	100	100	100
		Grants Sponsors Contracts Other sources	6700	100	560	3460	2210	370

PROJECT LEADER

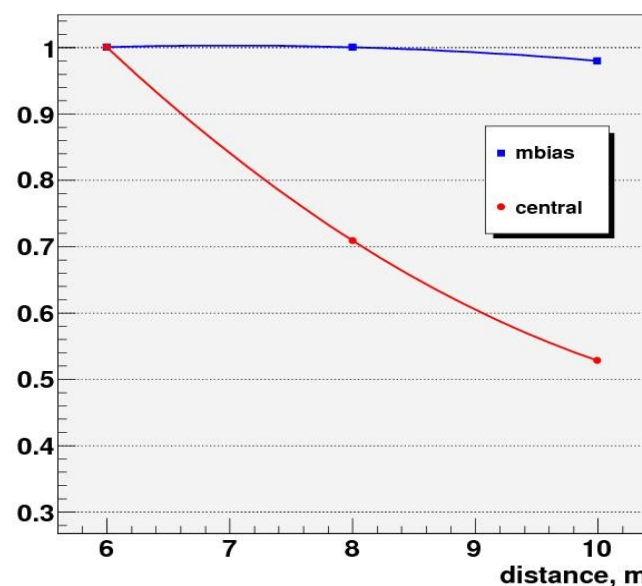
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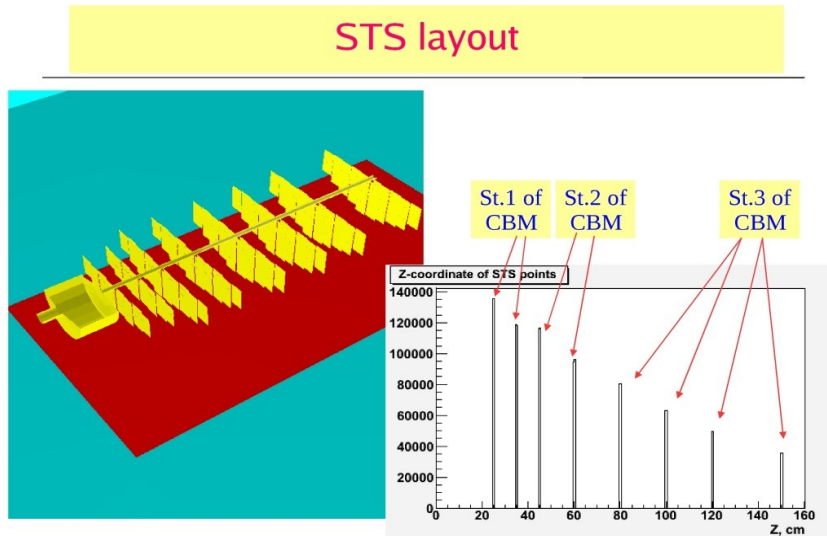
# TOF acceptance



plane size: 2m x 4m, beam hole: 0.2m x 0.2m



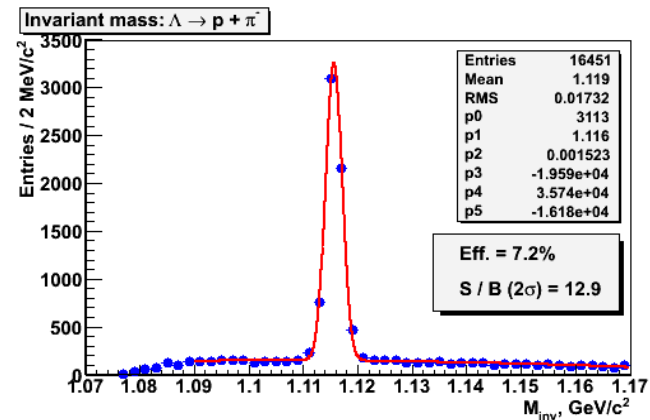
# Feasibility studies with existing warm magnet



**3 times less efficiency**

**After minor optimization-  
good agreement with  
previous simulations.**

**A.Zinchenko (LHEP JINR)**

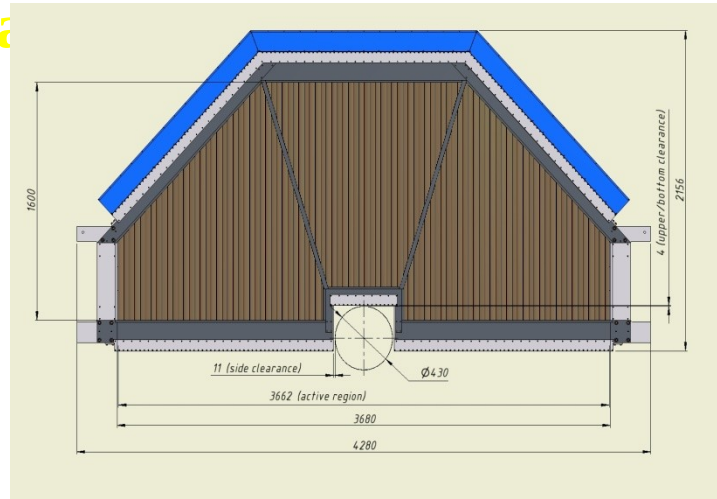


**Further optimization is required!**

# Main subdetectors (tracking, particle ID & centrality)

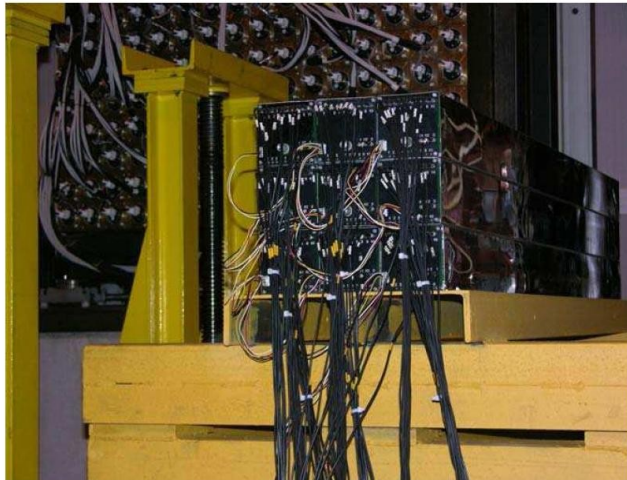


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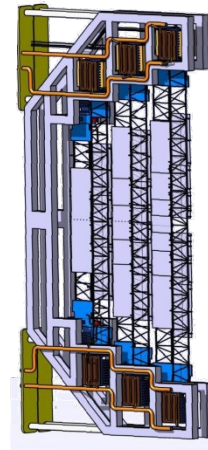
## Outer Tracker: NA48 drift chambers



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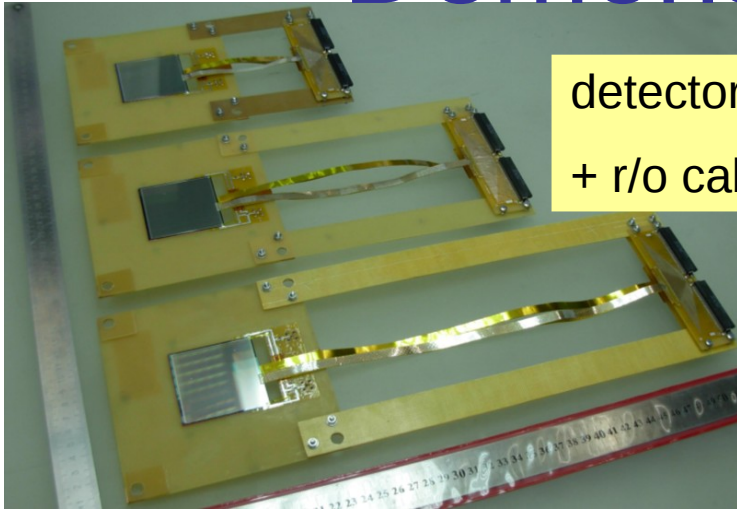
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## RPC TOF

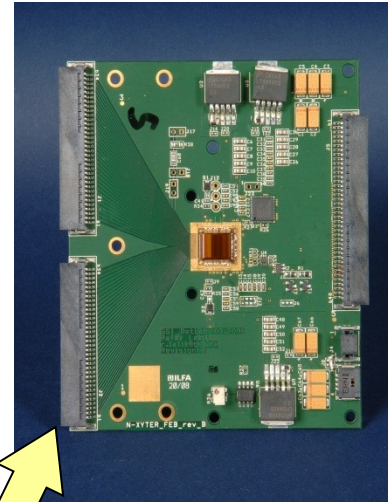


## Silicon Tracker System (CBM-GSI)

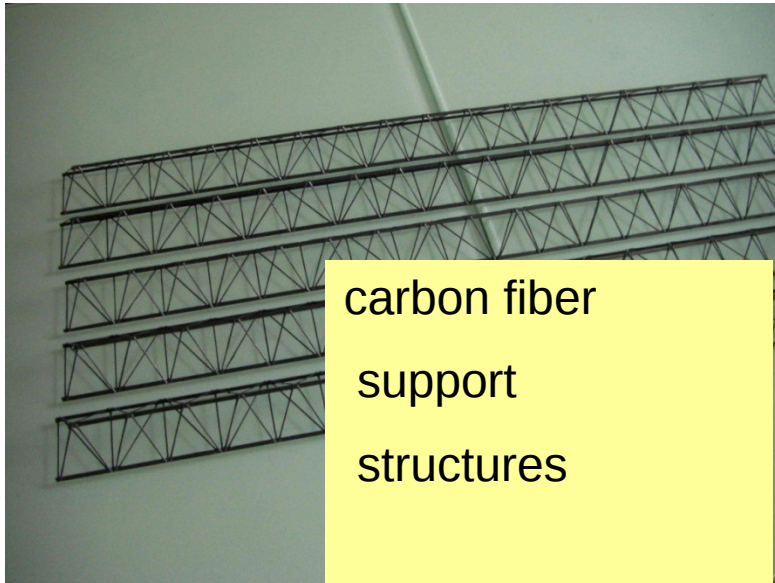
# Demonstrator module



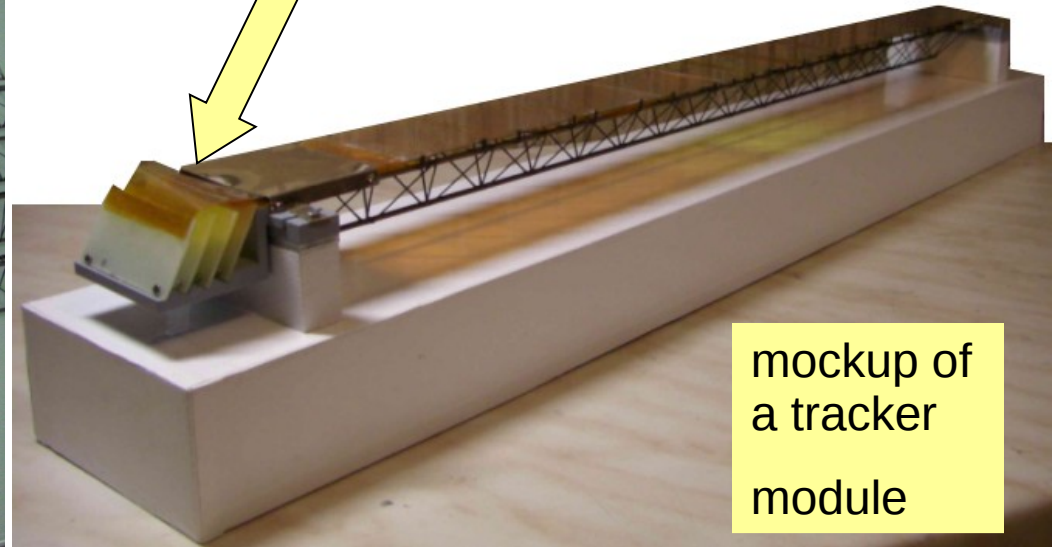
detectors  
+ r/o cable



Front-end  
electronics  
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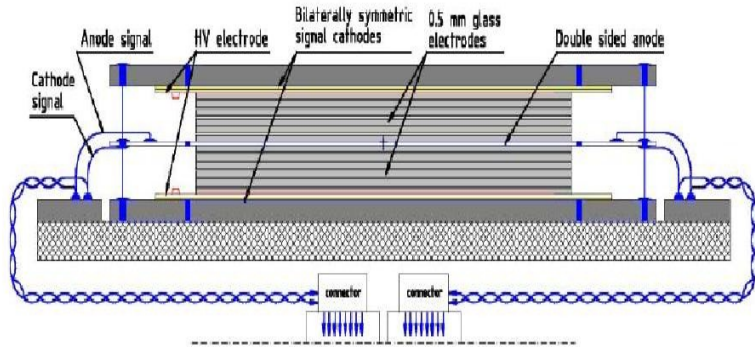


carbon fiber  
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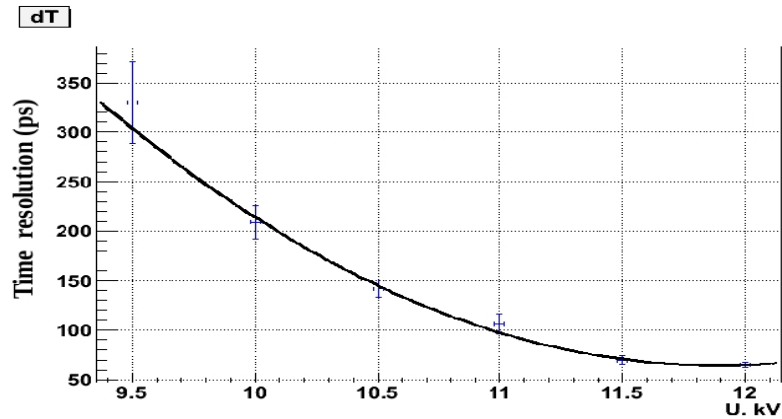


mockup of  
a tracker  
module

# TOF system (mRPC)



Symmetrical structure, differential readout



MPD-TOF JINR