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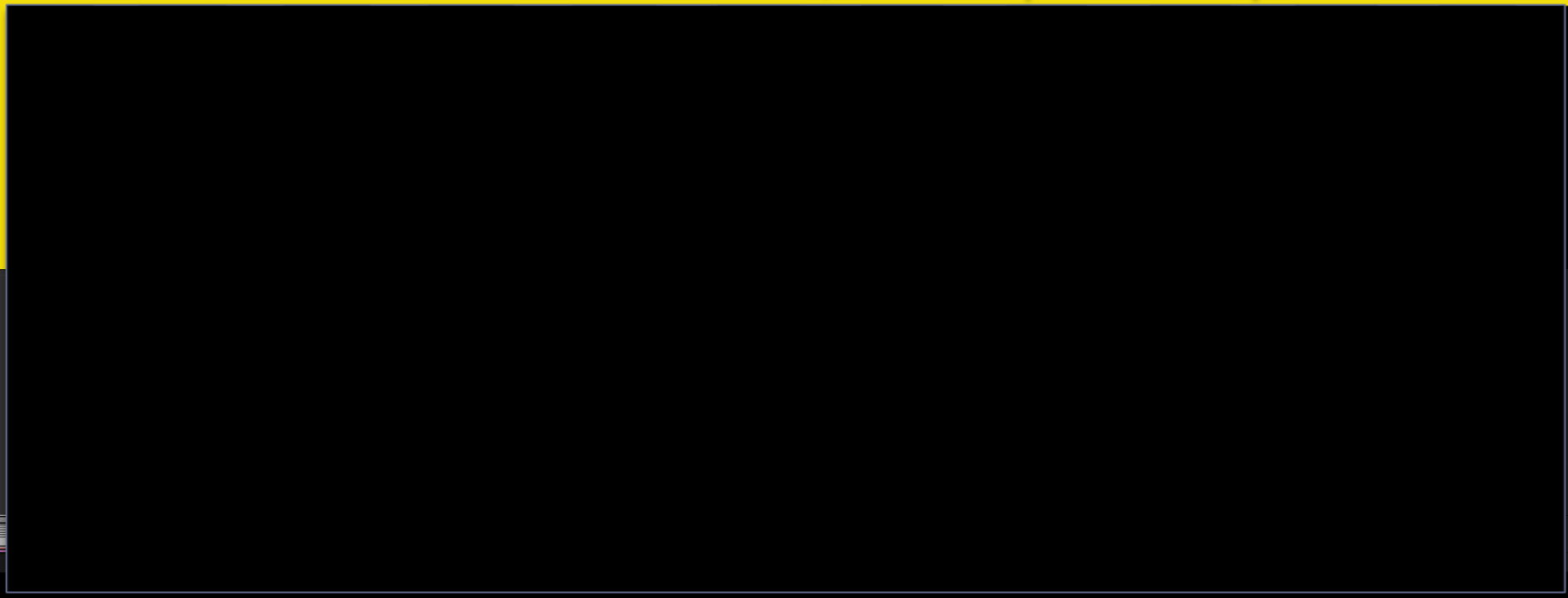
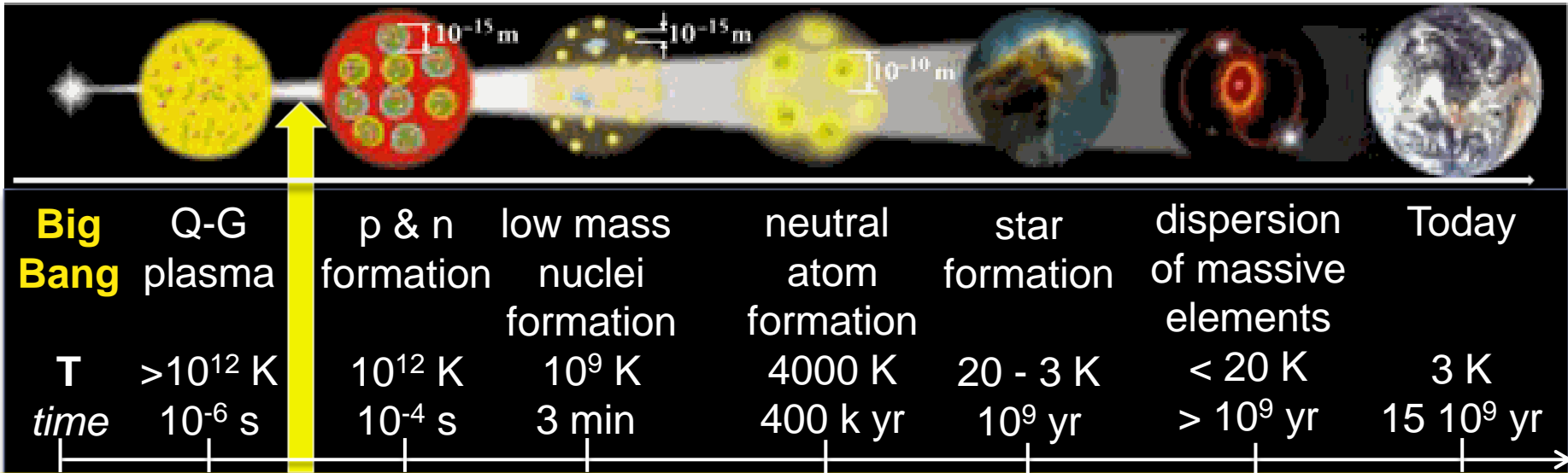
## NICA Project at JINR

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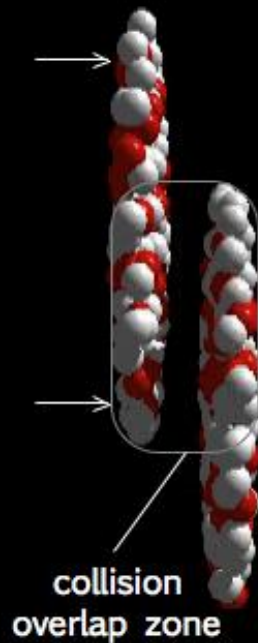
# Mini "Big Bang" in Laboratory



# Nuclear collisions and the QGP expansion

$$\text{fm} / c = 3 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

*selection by spectators*



quantum fluctuations

**QGP phase**  
quark and gluon  
degrees of freedom

collision evolution  
expansion and cooling

particle  
detectors

hadronization

kinetic  
freeze-out

distributions and  
correlations of  
produced particles

*evolution in time*

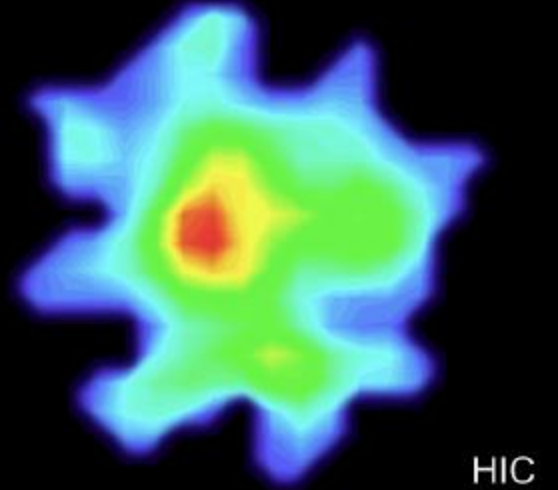
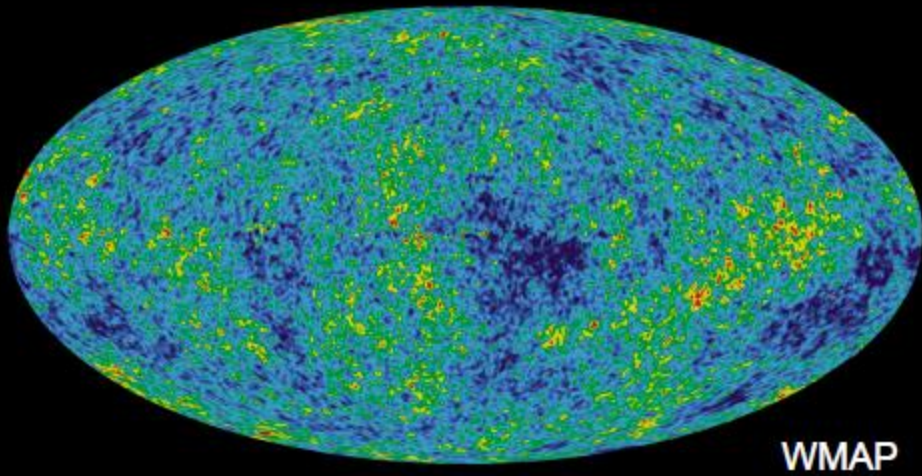
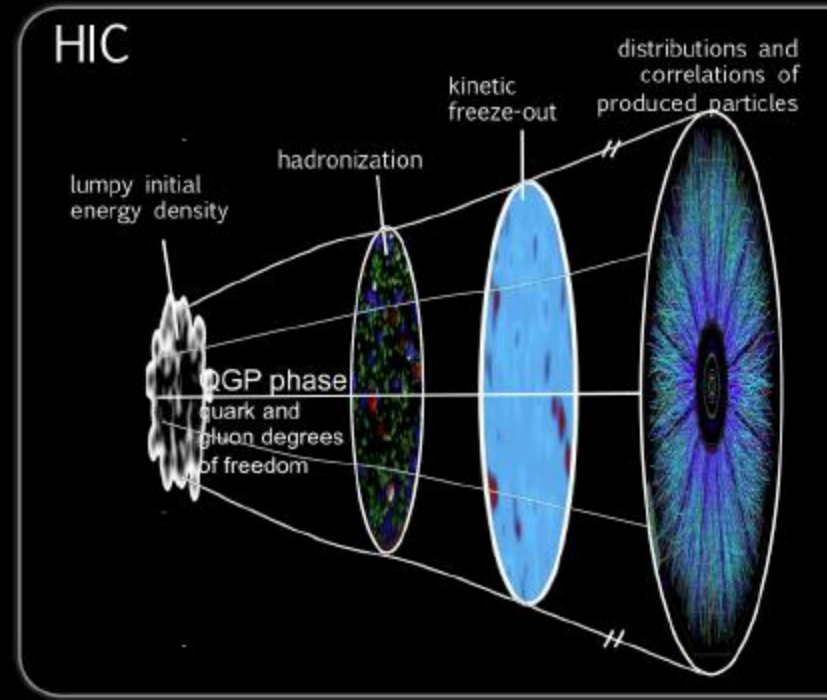
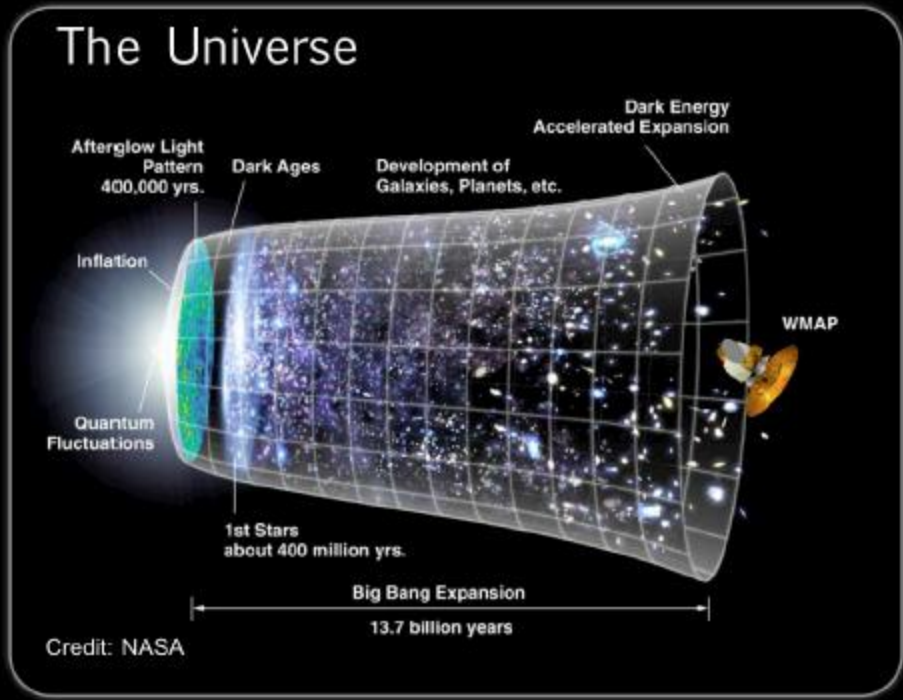
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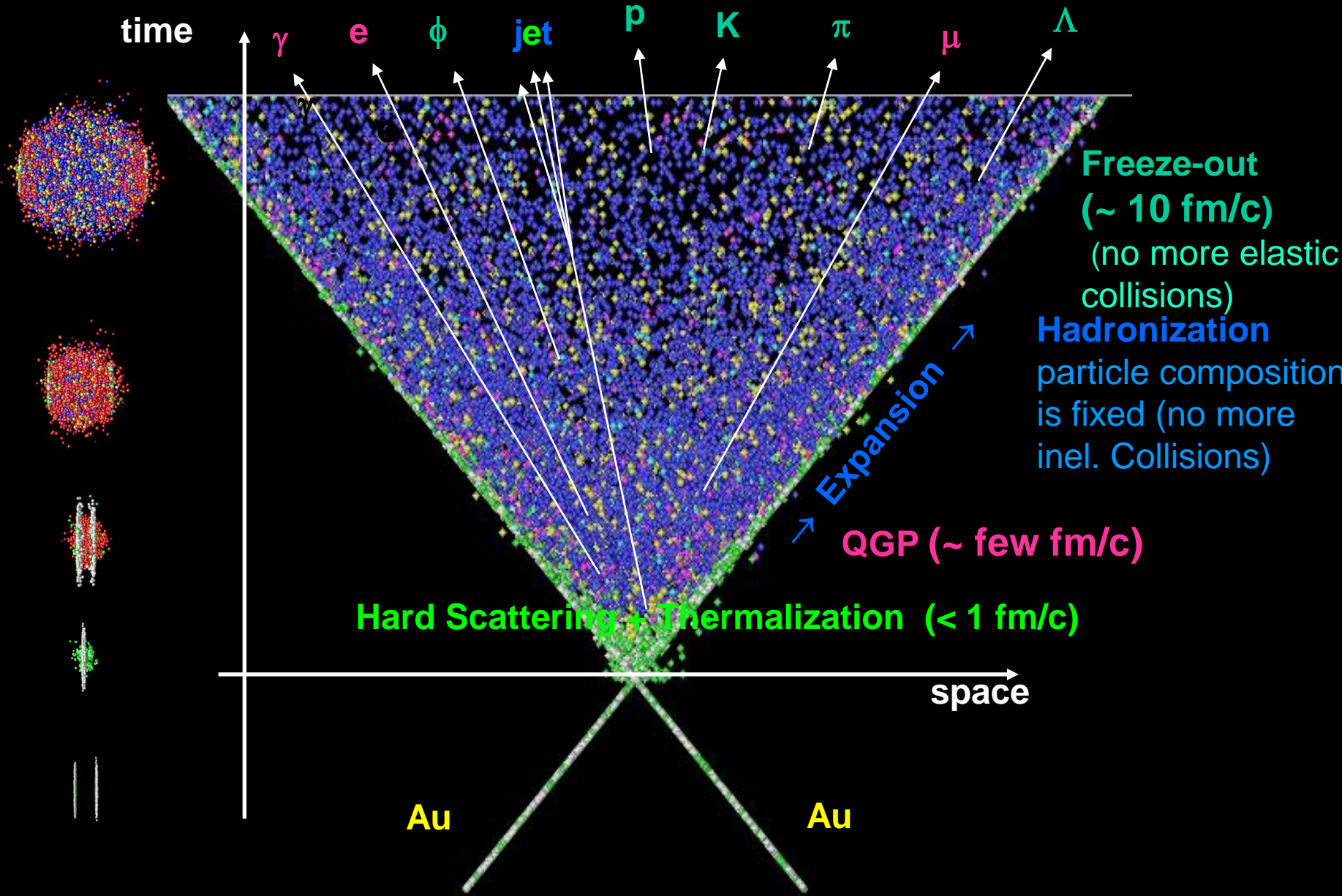
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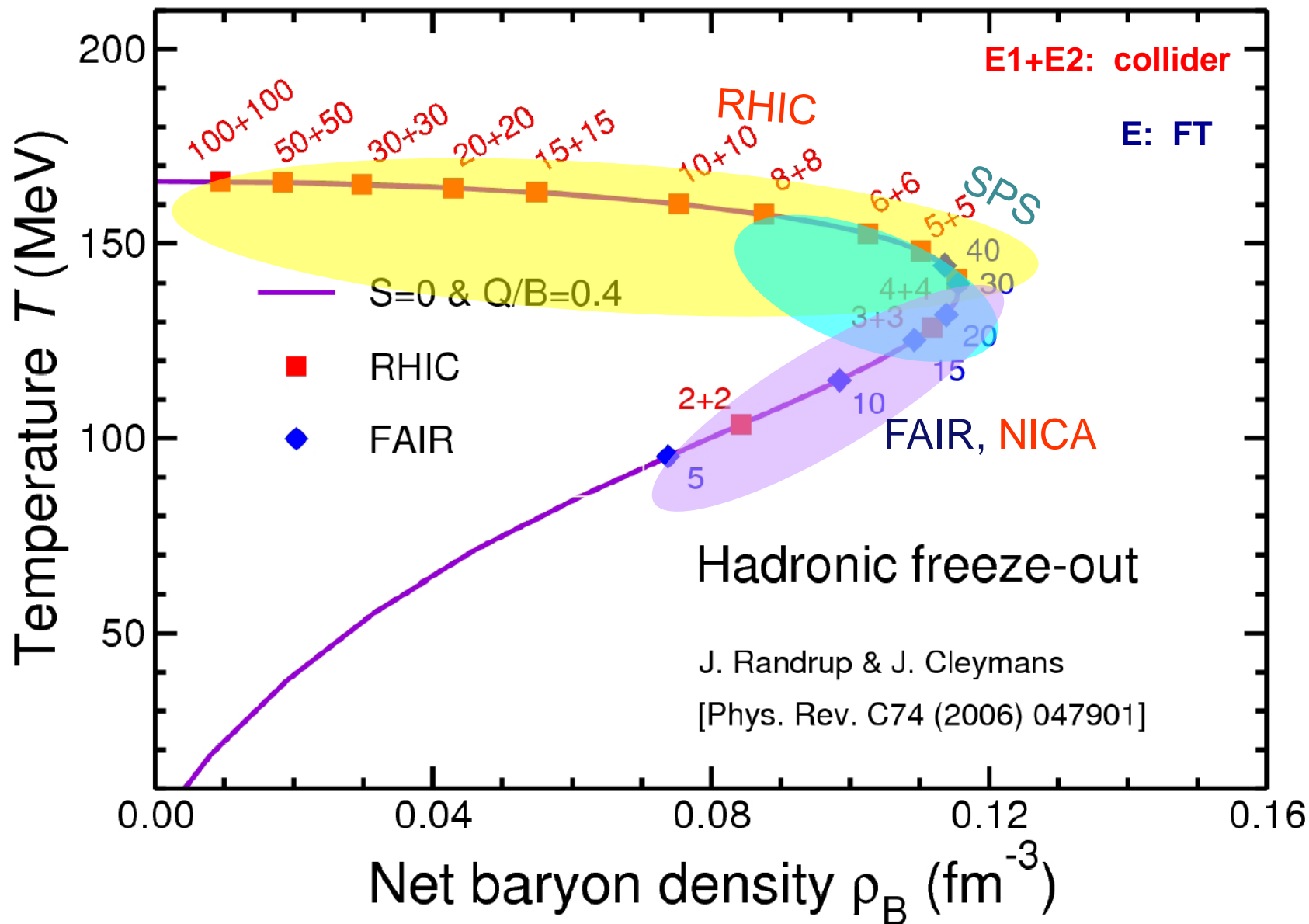
# The Big Bang vs the Little Bangs



# Space-time Evolution of the Collisions



# Freeze-out conditions



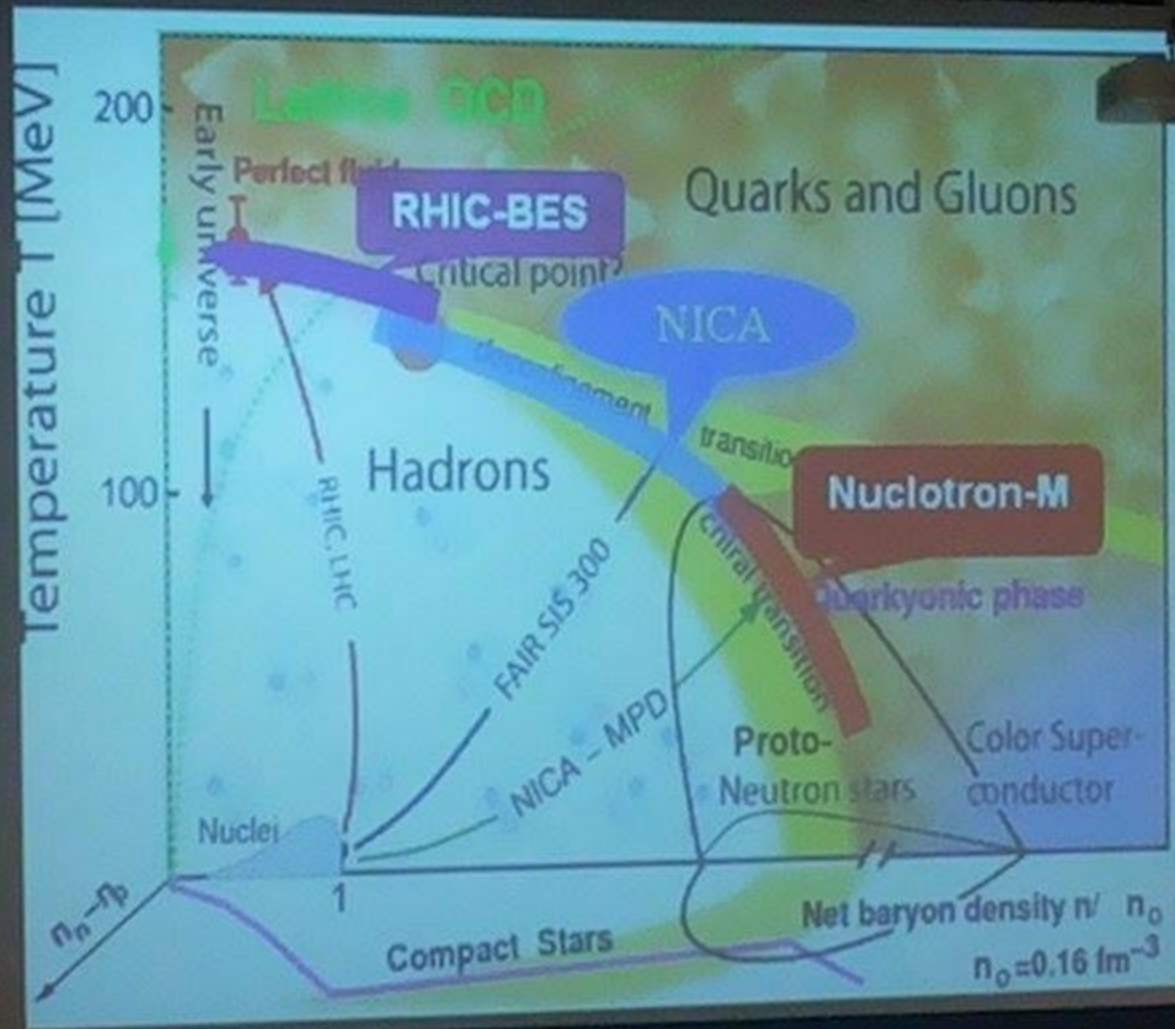
# **“Hilbert Problems” of Dense Matter Physics:**

- Which phases?
- Which degrees of freedom?
- Nature of the (spin) nucleon?
- How hadronization proceeds?
- ...

## **Challenging questions:**

- Character of phase transitions (if any)?
- Signals for 1st order phase transition?
- Critical Point?
- When does the perfect fluid turn on?
- Duality of dynamical and thermal descriptions?
- Global polarization in HIC?

▶  
- ...



- Study of the phase transition from hadronic to quark-gluon matter
- Search for the critical point
- Study of in-medium properties of hadrons at high baryon density and temperature



# Dense QCD Matter Physics

- **Nuclear equation-of-state, new forms of matter at high densities?**  
What are the properties and the degrees of freedom of QCD matter at neutron star core densities?
- **Hadrons in dense matter:**  
What are the in-medium properties of hadrons?  
Is chiral symmetry restored at very high baryon densities?
- **Production of single and double hypernuclei**  
How far can we extend the third (strange) dimension of the nuclear chart?
- **Strange matter:**  
Does strange matter exist in the form of heavy multi-strange objects?





# NICA

NUCLOTRON BASED ION COLLIDER FACILITY

<http://nica.jinr.ru/>



## **NICA** (**N**uclotron based **I**on **C**ollider **f**Acility)

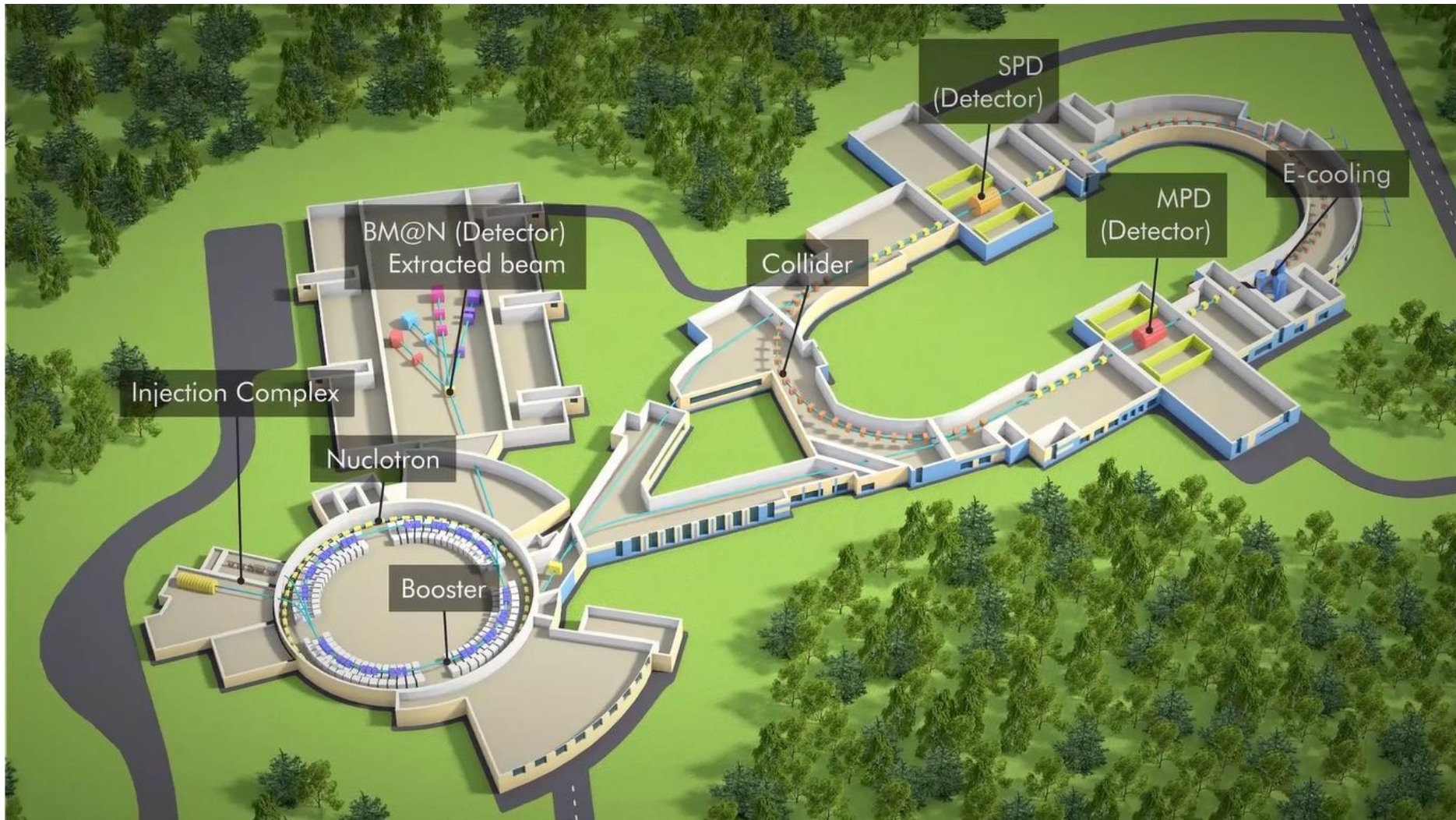
– the flagship project in HEP  
of Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR)

Main targets of “NICA Complex”:

- **study of hot and dense baryonic matter**
- investigation of nucleon spin structure,  
polarization phenomena
- development of accelerator facility for HEP @ JINR providing  
intensive beams of relativistic ions from  $p$  to  $Au$   
polarized protons and deuterons  
with energy up to

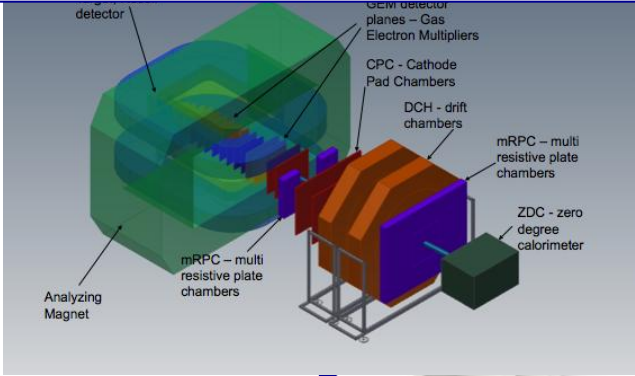
$$\sqrt{s}_{NN} = 11 \text{ GeV} (Au^{79+}, L \sim 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ c}^{-1})$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 27 \text{ GeV} (p, L \sim 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ c}^{-1})$$



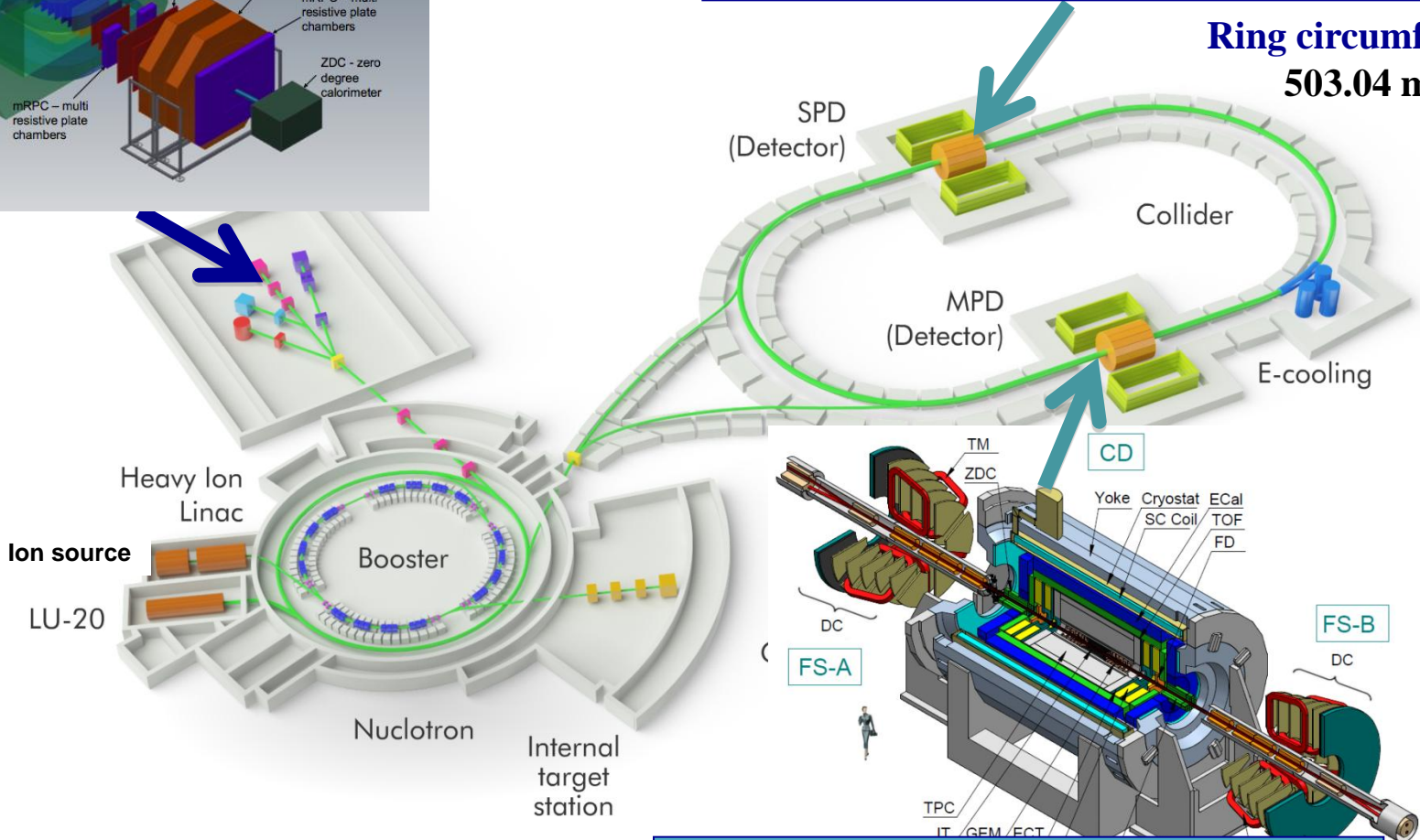
# NICA Complex

## Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron (BM@N)



## SPD (Spin Physics Detector)

Ring circumference  
503.04 m.



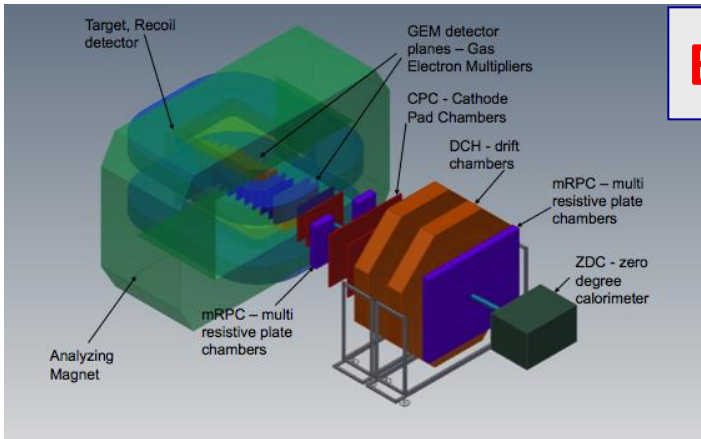
## MultiPurpose Detector (MPD)

# 3 detectors

## Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron (BM@N)

*The fixed target experiment at the Nuclotron*

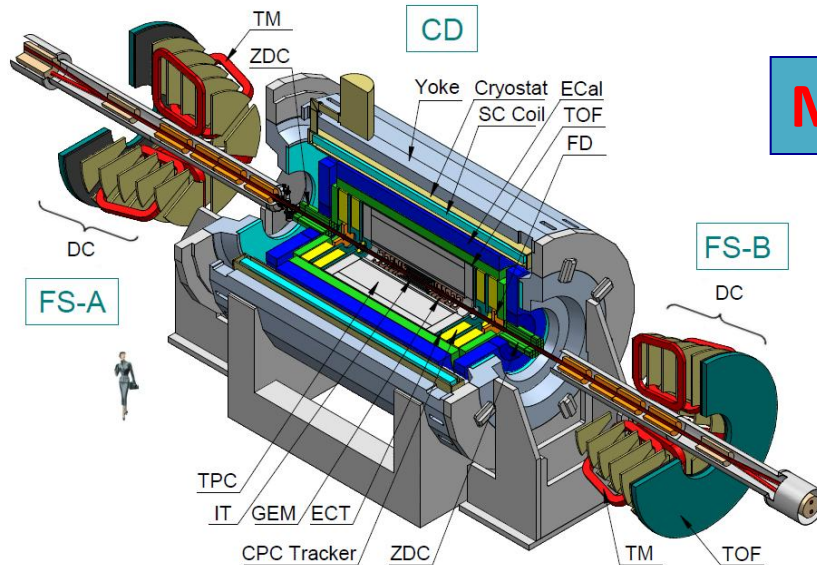
Stage I: end 2017



## MultiPurpose Detector (MPD)

*Collider experiment at NICA*

Stage I: 2020



## SPD (Spin Physics Detector) at the NICA Collider

*project is under preparation*

All basic parts of the **NICA complex**  
are at the stages of fabrication or **TDR** approval.

## The major milestones for the commissioning:

### **accelerator complex**

<i>start-up configuration</i>	– <b>2020</b>
<i>the design configuration</i>	– <b>2023</b>

### **BM@N**

<i>the I stage</i>	– <b>2017</b>
<i>the II stage</i>	– <b>2019</b>

### **MPD**

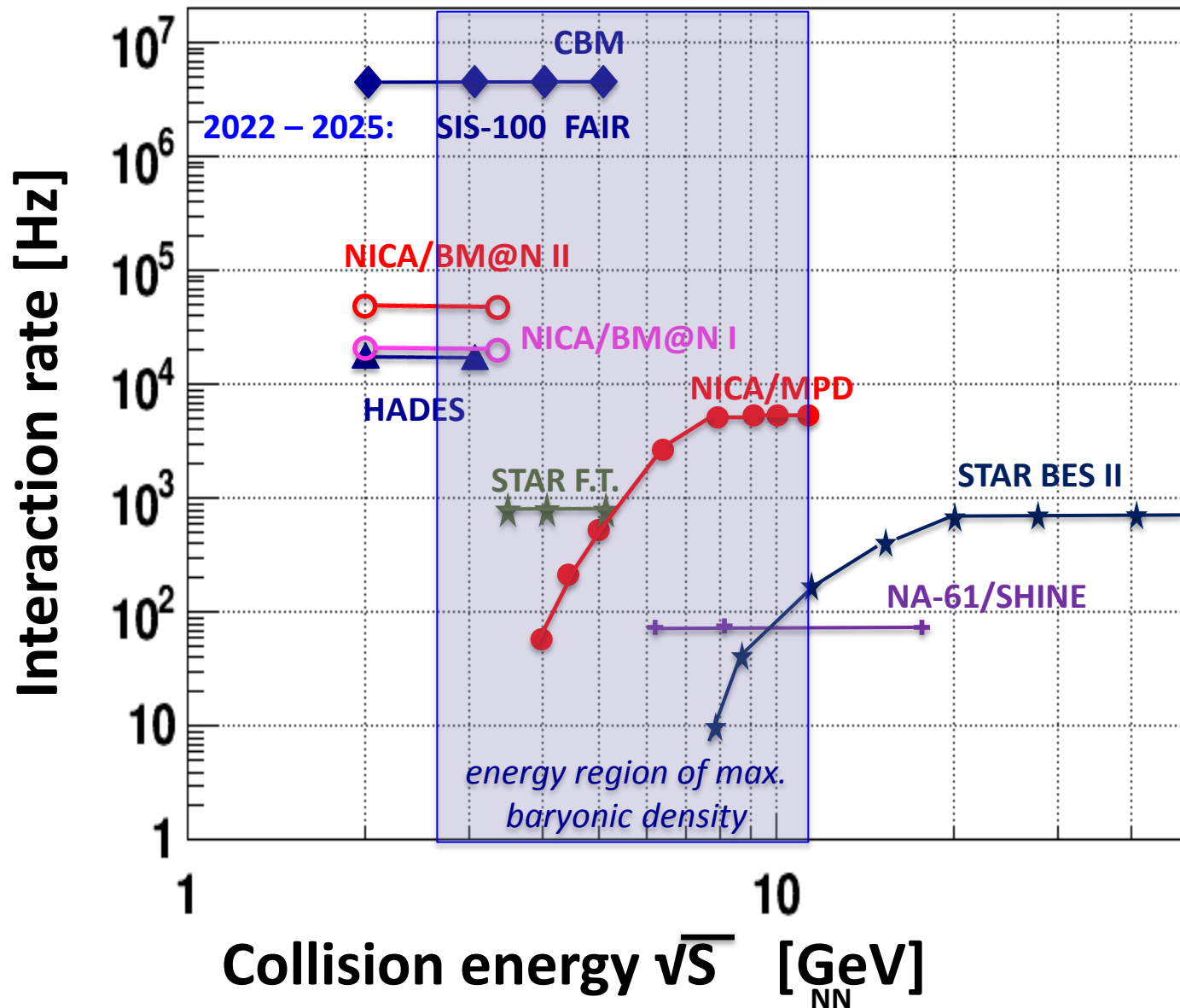
<i>the I stage</i>	– <b>2020</b>
<i>upgraded (IT + end-cups)</i>	– <b>2023</b>

### **SPD**

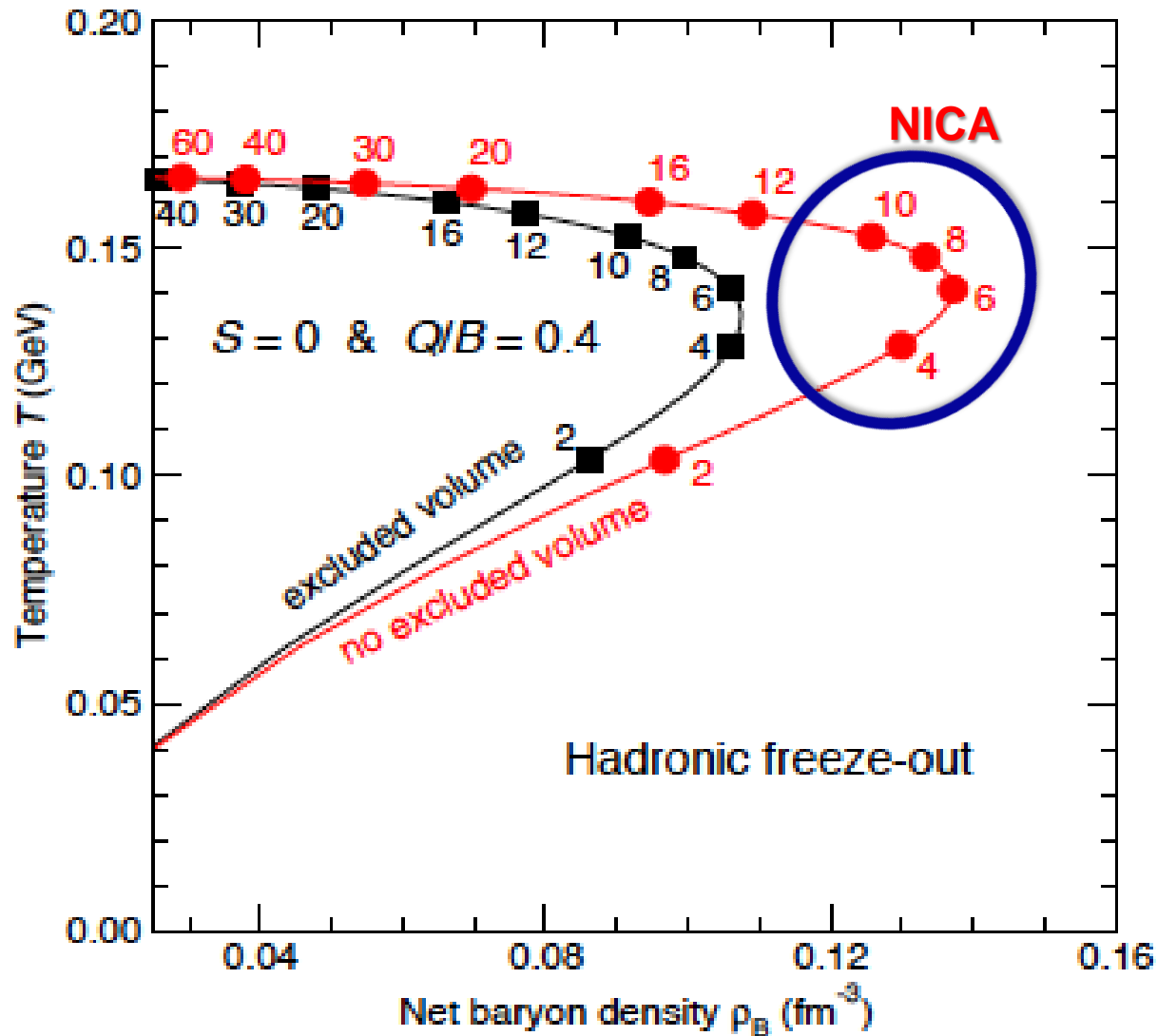
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# Present and future HIC experiments



# Maximal freeze-out baryon density



*J.Randrup, J.Cleymans (NICA White Paper)*

# Experimental modes

## Collider mode

## Fixed target mode

### Advantages:

- **coverage of max. phase space**
- *minimum biased acceptance*
- *free of target parasitic effects*
- *NICA energy range: energy independent homogenous acceptance*
- ....

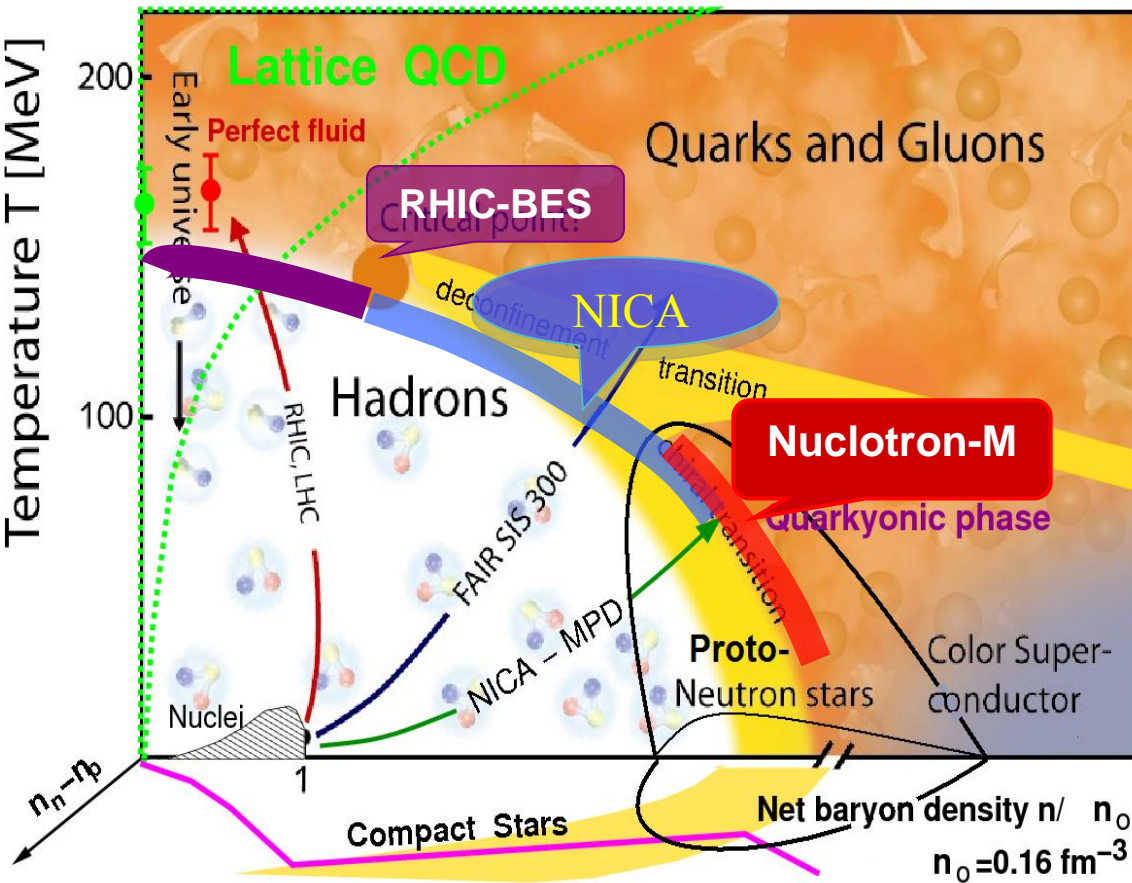
- *rate is limited just by detector capability*
- *easy upgradable*
- ....

### Disadvantages:

- *rate is limited by luminosity*
- *limited combinations*  
*“beam”/”target”*
- .....

- *a limited phase space*
- *momentum dependent corrections*
- *target influenced corrections*

# QCD phase diagram: prospects for NICA



**Energy Range of NICA**  
unexplored region of the QCD phase diagram:

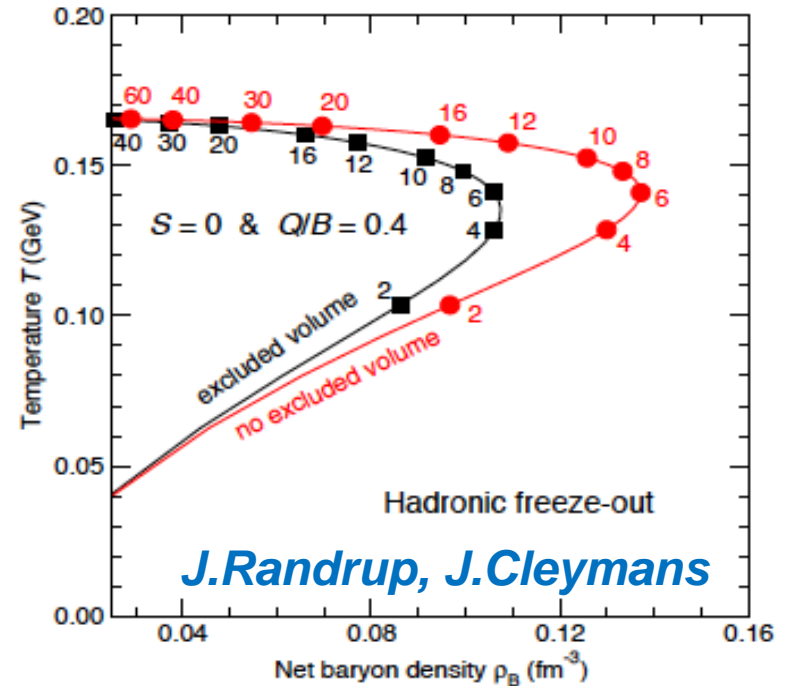
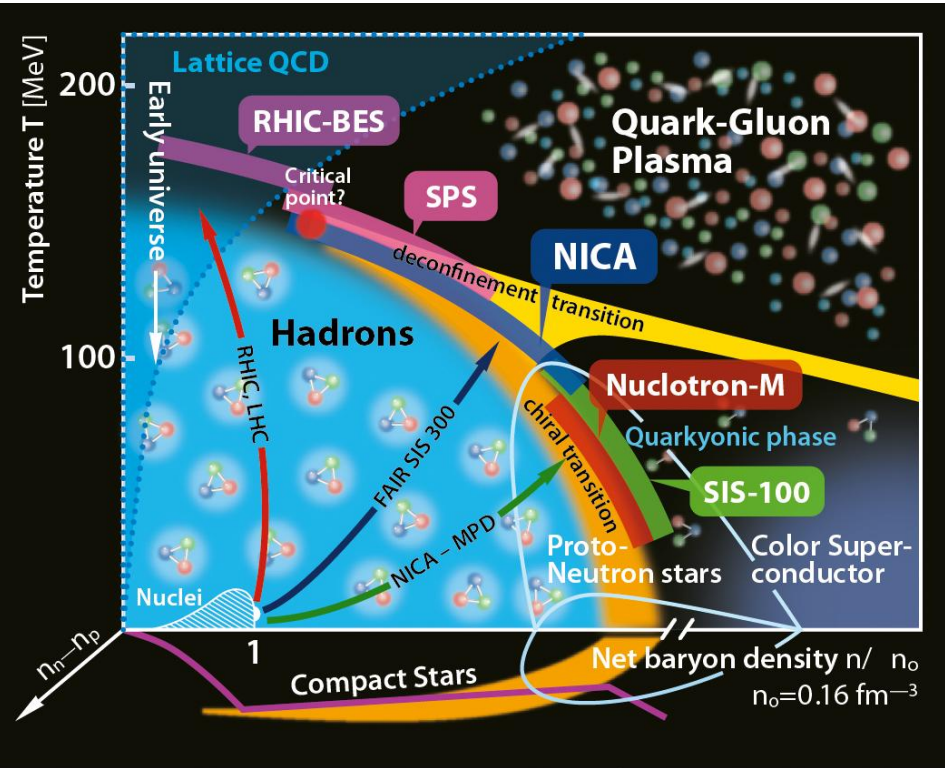
- Highest net baryon density
- Onset of deconfinement phase transition
- Discovery potential:
  - a) Critical End Point
  - b) Chiral Symmetry Restoration
  - c) Hypothetic (e.g. quarkyonic) phases
- Complementary to RHIC/BES, NA61/CERN, CBM/FAIR

Comprehensive experimental program requires scan over the QCD phase diagram by varying collision parameters: system size, beam energy and collision centrality  
NICA provides capabilities for studying a variety of phenomena in a large region of the phase diagram

# MPD@NICA Physics

## QCD matter at MPD@NICA :

- Highest net baryon density
- Energy range covers onset of deconfinement
- Complementary to the RHIC/BES, FAIR, J-PARC-HI and CERN experimental programs

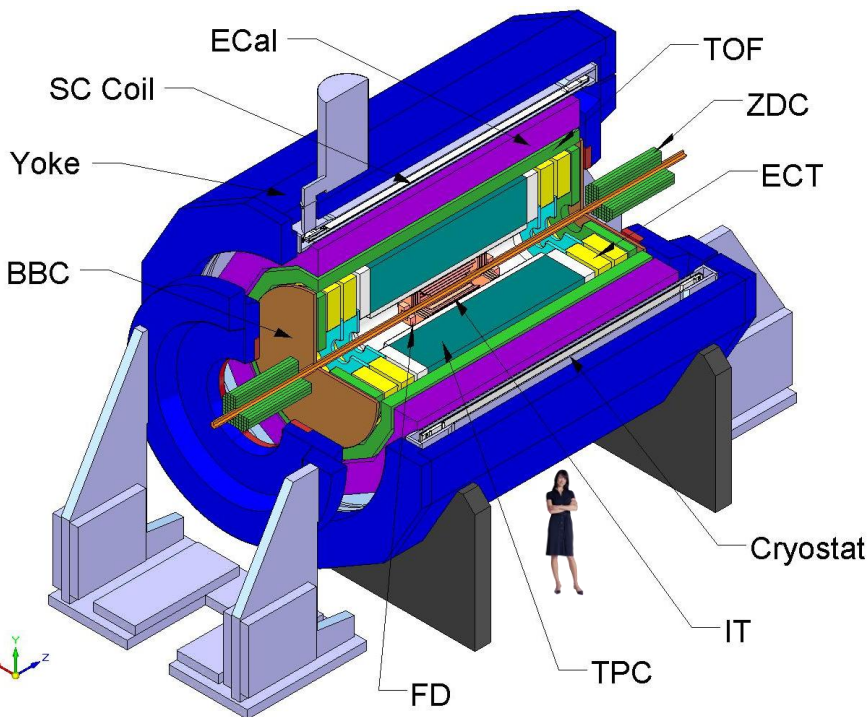


- Bulk properties, EOS - particle yields & spectra, ratios, femtoscopy, flow
- In-Medium modification of hadron properties
- Deconfinement (chiral), phase transition at high  $r_B$  - enhanced strangeness production
- QCD Critical Point - event-by-event fluctuations & correlations
- Strangeness in nuclear matter - hypernuclei

**The observables in AA, pA and pp collisions:** multiplicity of produced hadrons ( $\pi$ , K, p,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\Omega$ ), electromagnetic probes: electrons, gammas, vector meson decays, event-by-event fluctuations, femtoscopy of  $\pi$ , K, p,  $\Lambda$

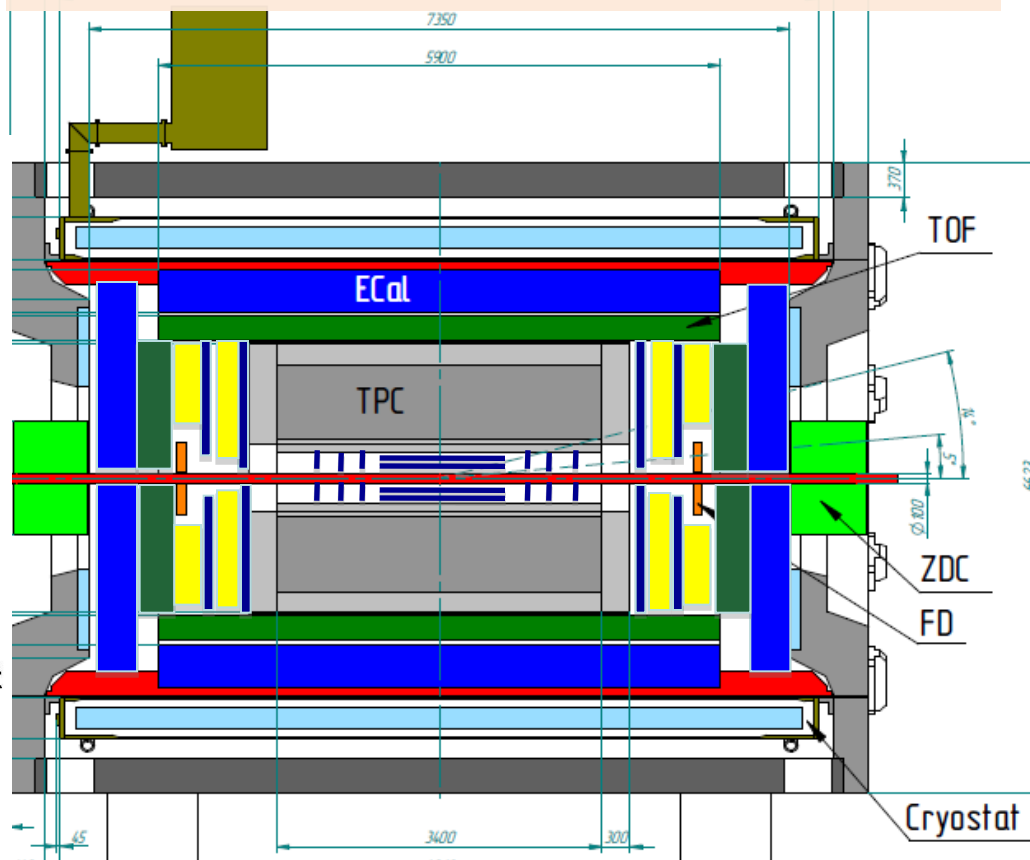
# MPD detector for Heavy-Ion Collisions @ NICA

Tracking: up to  $|\eta| < 2$  (TPC)  
PID: hadrons, e,  $\gamma$  (TOF, TPC, ECAL)  
Event characterization:  
centrality & event plane (ZDC)



Stage 1: TPC, TOF, ECAL, ZDC, FD

Stage 2: IT + Endcaps (tracker, TOF, ECAL)



## MPD required features:

- hermetic and homogenous acceptance ( $2\pi$  in azimuth), low material budget
- good tracking performance and powerful PID (hadrons, e,  $\gamma$ )
- high event rate capability and detailed event characterization

# MultiPurpose Detector (MPD): Observables Staging

## **I stage:** Barrel (TPC, TOF, ECAL), ZDC, FD *mid rapidity region (good performance)*

- ❑ *Particle yields and spectra*
- ❑ *Event-by-event fluctuations*
- ❑ *Femtoscscopy involving  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$ ,  $\Lambda$*
- ❑ *Collective flow for identified hadron species*
- ❑ *Electromagnetic probes (electrons, gammas), vector mesons*

## **II stage:** *extended rapidity + Vertex Tracker*

- ❑ *Total particle multiplicities*
- ❑ *Asymmetries study (better reaction plane determination)*
- ❑ *Di-Lepton precise study (ECAL extension?)*
- ❑ *Exotics (soft photons, hypernuclei)*

# MPD physics cases (2020-2023)

Observable	Set-up	Coverage	New insights
Hadron yields & ratios	TPC, TOF, FHCAL, ECAL	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$	Data for $4 < \sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ , critical assessment of $\gamma$ -spectra and $K/\pi$ -ratio
Hyperons: yields, flow, Polarization	TPC, TOF, FHCAL	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$	New data on yields, flow and polarization at $\sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ .
Dileptons	TPC, TOF, ECAL, FHCAL	$ \eta  < 1.2$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	<b>low statistics data for comparison</b>
Fluctuations & Correlations	TPC, TOF, ECAL, FHCAL	$ \eta  < 1.5$	New data on Ev-by-Ev fluct. for $\sqrt{s} > 4 \text{ GeV}$
Chiral Magnetic & vortical effects	TPC, TOF, FHCAL	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$	Data @ $\sqrt{s} < 7 \text{ GeV}$ (CME) Vortical @ $4 < \sqrt{s} < 11 \text{ GeV}$
(Hyper)Nuclei	TPC, TOF, ZDC	$ \eta  < 1.5$ $p_T < 5 \text{ GeV}/c$	<b>low statistics data for comparison</b>

- In **stage-II** one should consider efficient measurements of **open-charm hadrons, di-leptons, and direct photons.**



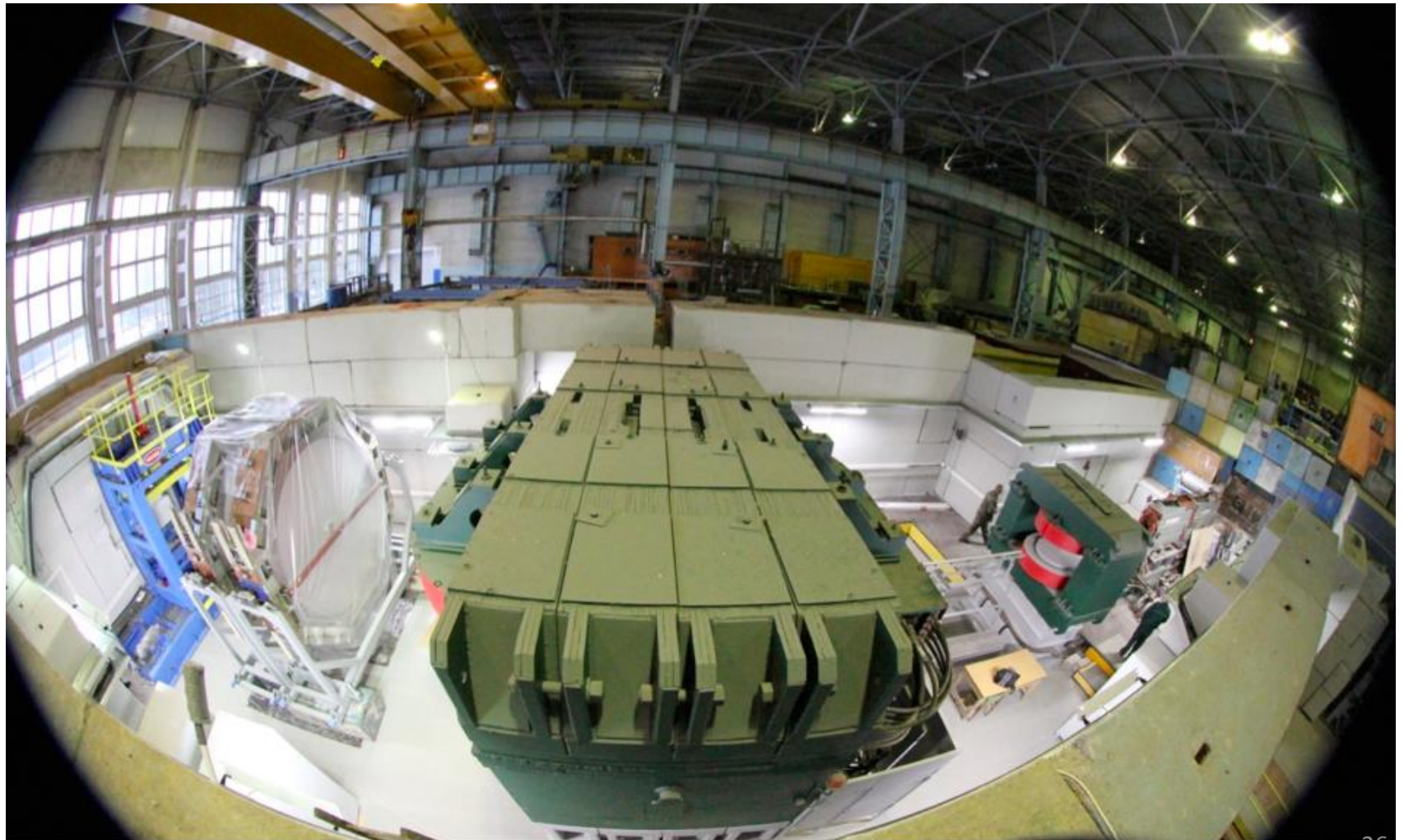


Strange matter production in heavy ion collisions at the  
Nuclotron extracted beam:  
Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron(BM@N)



- The goal of the experiment is the systematic measurements of the observables for multistrange objects ( $\Xi^-$ ,  $\Omega^-$ , *exotics*) in Au-Au collisions in energy range of Nuclotron extracted beams (up to 5.5 A GeV)

# Baryonic Matter at Nuclotron (BM@N) *at Nuclotron extracted beams*



# BM@N: *the 1<sup>st</sup> stage*

## Participants from:

**Russia:** *INR, MEPhi, SINP, MSU, IHEP, S-Ptr Radium Inst.*

**Bulgaria:** *Plovdiv University;*

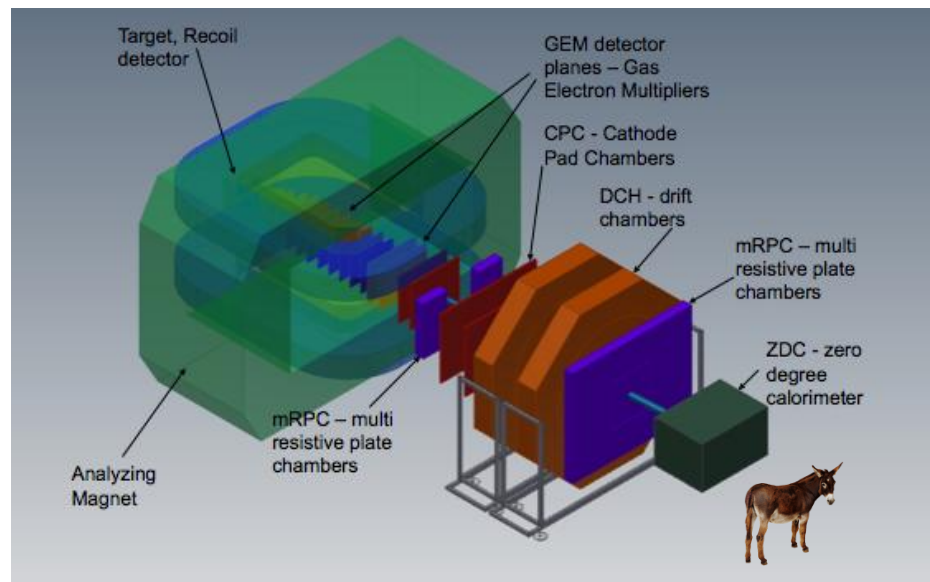
**China:** *Tsinghua University, Beijing;*

**Poland:** *Warsaw Tech.Uni.*

**Israel:** *Tel Aviv Uni.*

**Germany:** *Frankfurt Uni.*

*+ expression of interest from CBM*



## Physics:

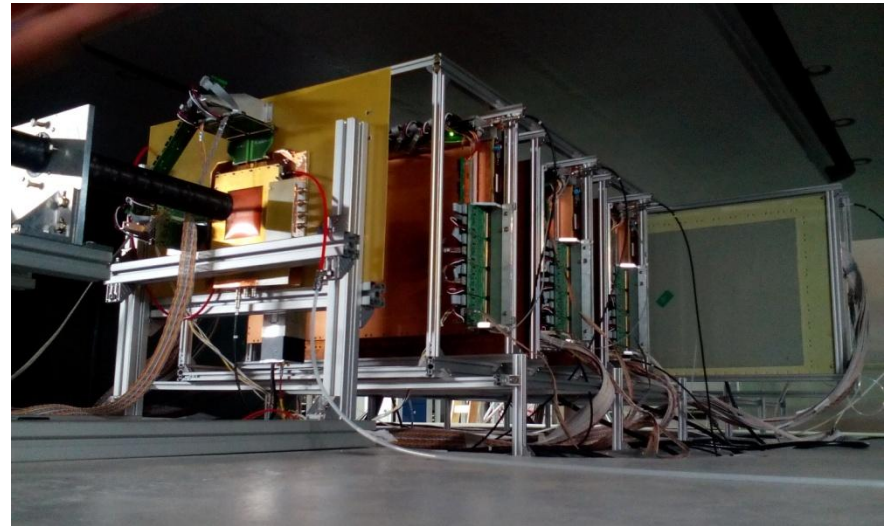
- ✓ *strange / multi-strange hyperon and hypernuclei production at the threshold*
- ✓ *hadron femtoscopy*
- ✓ *in-medium modifications of strange & vector mesons in dense nuclear matter*
- ✓ *electromagnetic probes, states decaying into  $\gamma$ , e (with ECAL)*

# BM@N Run 52 (June 2016): tests & commissioning of GEM CT located inside analyzing magnet

*d beam ( $\sim 5 \cdot 10^5$  /cycle) with 2.94 GeV/n*



5 GEM detectors  $66 \times 41 \text{ cm}^2$  + 1 detector  **$163 \times 45 \text{ cm}^2$**



# BM@N status and milestones

## BM@N plan

technical runs with **d, Li, C** beams: **2016 – 2017;**

physics run **BM@N (I stage)** with **Kr** int rate 20 kHz: **IV q., 2017;**

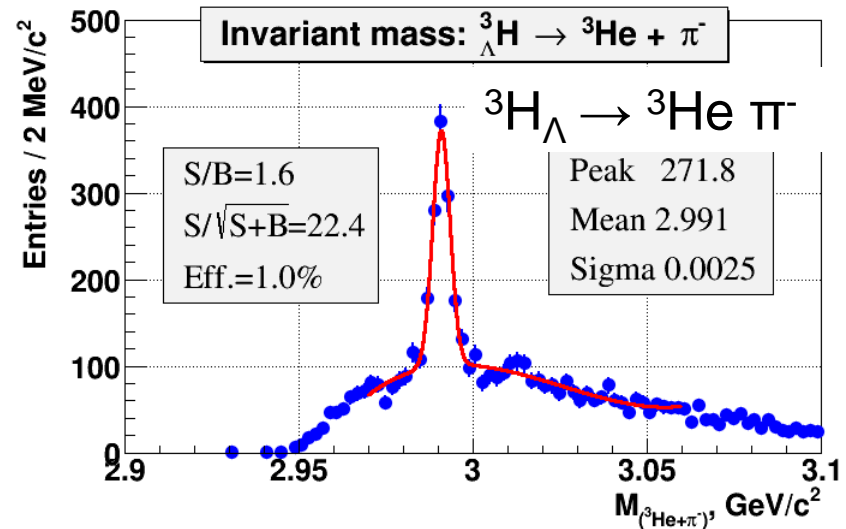
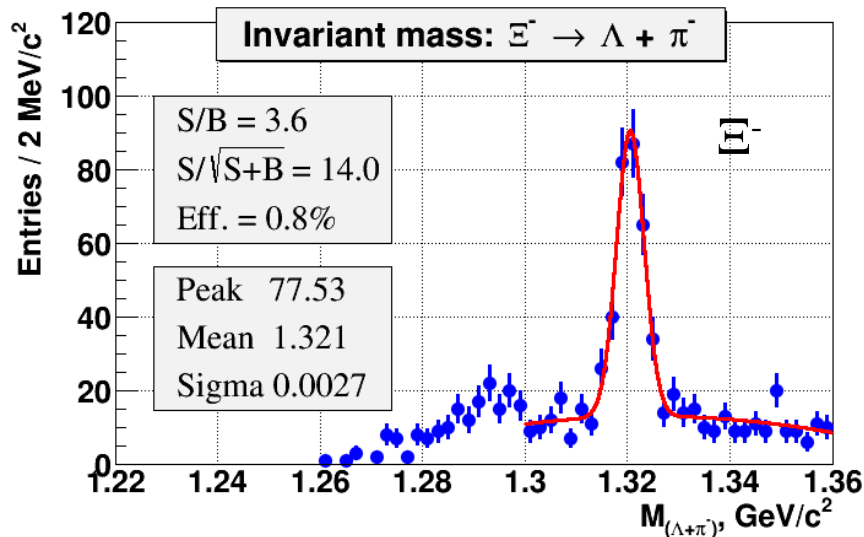
physics run **BM@N (II stage)** with **Au** int rate 50 kHz: **2019.**

next technical run in **2016**: *commissioning of GEM & Si inside magnet*

## Simulation

A.Zinchenko, V.Vasendina

UrQMD & DCM-QGSM, Au+Au,  $E_{kin.} = 4.5A$  GeV,  $2 \times 10^6$  events;



## BM@N plans

year	2016	2017 Feb.-Mar.	2017 Nov.-Dec.	2019	2020 + ..
<i>beam</i>	d (↑)	C, Ar	Kr	Au	Au, p
<i>maximum intensity, Hz</i>	1M	1M	1M	1M	10M
<i>trig. rate, Hz</i>	10k	10k	20k	20k	50k
<i>central tracker</i>	6 GEM half pl.	8 GEM half pl.	10 GEM half pl.	8 GEM full pl.	12 GEM or 8+2Si
<i>expiment status</i>	techn. run	techn. run	physics run	physics stage 1	physics stage 2

*beam:  $E_{kin} = 3.5, 4.0, 4.5$  AGeV*

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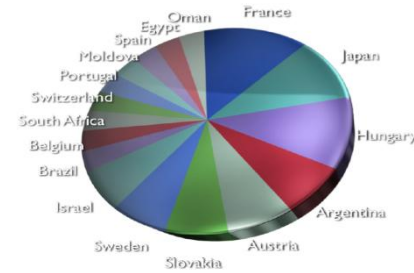
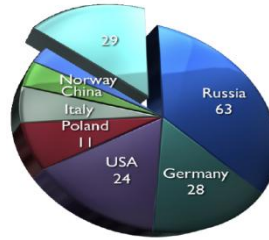
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# NICA White Paper



**111** contributions,  
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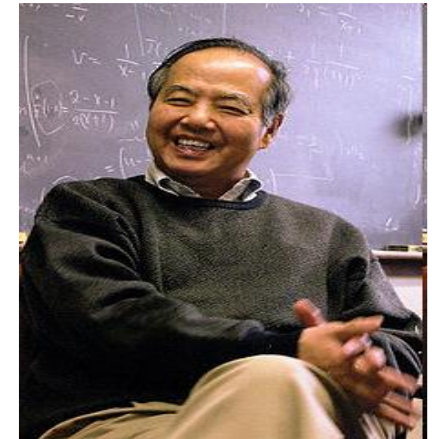
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## Hadrons and Nuclei

Topical Issue on Exploring Strongly Interacting Matter  
at High Densities - NICA White Paper

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Marek Gazdzicki, Jürgen Randrup, Oleg Rogachevsky, Oleg Teryaev, Viacheslav Toneev



**T. D. Lee:**

*“The NICA heavy ion collider will be a very major step towards the formation of a new phase of quark-gluon matter.”*



From: Three stages of the NICA accelerator complex  
by V. D. Kekelidze et al.



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<http://theor0.jinr.ru/twiki-cgi/view/NICA/WebHome>

# Fixed Target Experiments at the Nuclotron

- Ideally suited for exploration of reaction mechanisms & in-medium properties
- Energy range formerly not accessible or of limited experimental information
- Expectation of a rich structure of the QCD phase diagram @ high densities

## TOOL:

- Subthreshold production of (multi-)strange hadrons:  $\Phi$ ,  $K^*$ ,  $K^*$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\Omega^-$
- Extend studies at SIS18, observe  $\Omega^-$  as result of multi-step production here
- Extract information about densities reached in the collision → EoS

## Important:

- Systematic study of production mechanisms by measurement of excitation functions for hadron production in p+p, d+p
- High enough statistics for multi-dimensional analysis (centrality,  $y$ ,  $p_T$ )

## Production of hypernuclei: → study recommended!

- Two mechanisms: (1) Absorption of produce  $\Lambda$  by spectator nuclei  
(2) Coalescence of  $\Lambda$  nucleons at midrapidity
- Important for hypernuclei spectroscopy: extract Y-N, Y-Y interactions



# Collider Experiments at MPD

## First round of MPD/NICA experiments:

- diagnostic observables of beam energy scan programs at SPS, RHIC
- MPD detector to be optimized to study fluctuations and correlations
- excitation functions of fluct./corr., dependence on centrality & system size

## Observables:

- EBE fluctuations of multiplicity and  $p_T$  of charged and identified part. ( $p, K, \pi$ )
- long-range angular correlations like  $v_1, v_2$  of ( $p, K, \pi, \Lambda$ ) and light clusters
- three-body correlations (for CME) and short-range two-particle corr. (size)
- coverage in rapidity and  $p_T$  shall be large, low  $p_T$  extremely important!
- measurements as function of collision energy for following systems:
  - p+p collisions
  - d+d collisions with possibility of off-line event selection of reactions with ( $p, p$ ), ( $p, n$ ), ( $n, n$ ) spectators
  - d+Pb collisions
  - collisions of identical heavy nuclei, such as Pb+Pb (later also smaller A)
- second stage: open-charm hadrons, di-leptons, di-photons at NICA



# Spin Physics in Heavy-Ion Collisions

- Spin-dependent observables might also be manifested in HIC
- No beam polarization but plenty of effects in final state
- Especially interesting is the polarization of hyperons
- Self-analyzing: revealed in weak P-violating decay
- Related to P-odd effects in QCD medium: Vorticity and Hydrodynamic helicity
- Detailed study at MPD planned
- Extensive theoretical investigations and simulations performed at JINR:

O.Rogachevsky, A.S., O.Teryaev, Phys. Rev. C (2010);

M.Baznat, K.Gudima, A.S., O.Teryaev, Phys. Rev. C (2013), Phys. Rev C (2015);

A.S., O.Teryaev, arXiv:1606.08398

**Spin effects in heavy ion collisions might be used as a complementary probe.**

**Spin physics program involving all the NICA detectors (MPD, SPD, BM@N) is possible.**

# Vorticity & Polarization effects in HI collisions



**O. Rogachevsky, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev,**  
*Phys. Rev. C 82, 054910, 2010.*

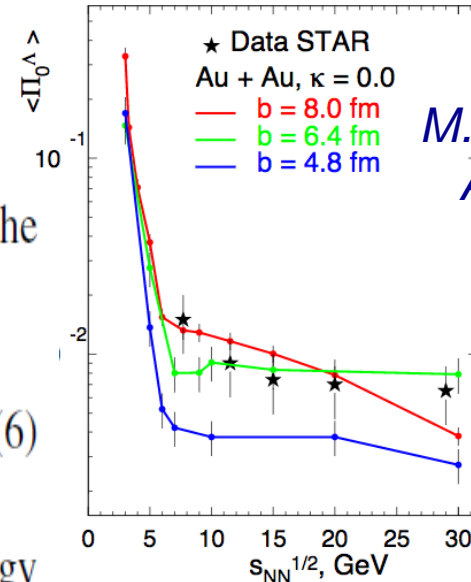
One would expect that polarization is proportional to the anomalously induced axial current [7]

$$j_A^\mu \sim \mu^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2\mu n}{3(\epsilon + P)} \right) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} V_\nu \partial_\lambda V_\rho, \quad (6)$$

where  $n$  and  $\epsilon$  are the corresponding charge and energy densities and  $P$  is the pressure. Therefore, the  $\mu$  dependence of polarization must be stronger than that of the CVE, leading to the effect's increasing rapidly with decreasing energy.

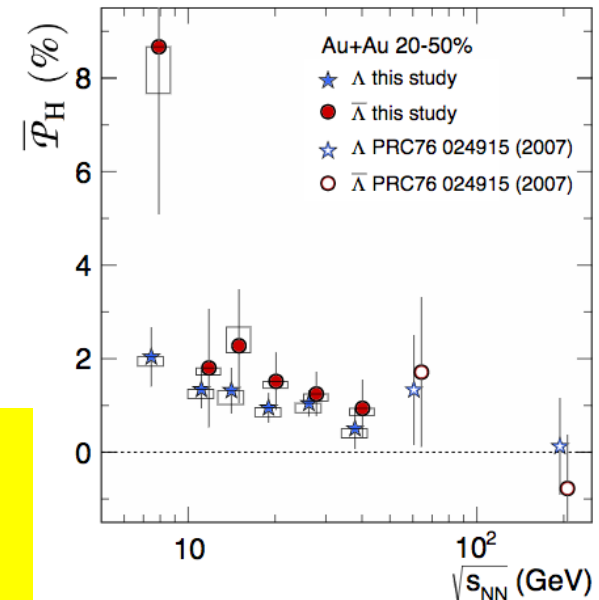
This option may be explored in the framework of the program of polarization studies at the NICA [17] performed at collision points as well as within the low-energy scan program at the RHIC.

**M. Baznat, K. Gudima, A.S., O. Teryaev**  
*Phys. Rev. C (2013); Phys. Rev. C (2015);*  
**A.S., O. Teryaev** *Phys. Rev. C 95 (2017) 011902*



*M. Baznat, K. Gudima*  
*A. Sorin, O. Teryaev*  
arXiv:1701.00923

STAR Coll., arXiv:1701.06657



Collider provides both:  
transversally & longitudinally  
polarized  $p$  &  $d$   
with energy up to  $\sqrt{S} = 27 \text{ GeV}$

## The issues to be studied:

- ▶  $MMT-DY$  processes
- ▶  $J/\Psi$  production processes
- ▶ Spin effects in inclusive  
 $high-p_T$  reactions
- ▶ Spin effects in one and two  
hadron production processes
- ▶ Polarization effects in  
heavy ion collisions



### WELCOME

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### WELCOME

The Veksler and Baldin Laboratory of High Energy Physics of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research is organizing the International Workshops,

"NICA-SPIN 2013",

which will take place in Dubna, Russia.

The Workshops are open to all scientists, regardless of their citizenship and nationality. The Workshop are hosted by the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research.

We invite you and your colleagues to participate in these Workshops at Dubna in 2013.

The first meeting is temporary scheduled for March 17-19, the next one - for June-July (to be specified), and the last one - during the DSPIN-2013 (Dubna, September 17-22) as a separate session: "Proposals for spin physics experiments at NICA".



**The Collaboration is forming  
Project is under preparation**

**SPD@NICA will provide unique opportunity to study all PDFs in one experiment and obtain the comprehensive information on nucleon spin structure at high statistical level with min. systematic uncertainties**

## Current and future experiments towards exploration of nucleon spin structure

<i>experiment</i>	<b>CERN, COMPASS-II</b>	<b>FAIR, PANDA</b>	<b>FNAL, E-906</b>	<b>RHIC, STAR</b>	<b>RHIC- PHENIX</b>	<b>NICA, SPD</b>
<i>mode</i>	<b>F.T.</b>	<b>F.T.</b>	<b>F.T.</b>	<b>collider</b>	<b>collider</b>	<b>collider</b>
<i>Beam/target</i>	<b><math>\pi^-</math>, <math>p</math></b>	<b>anti-<math>p</math>, <math>p</math></b>	<b><math>\pi^-</math>, <math>p</math></b>	<b>pp</b>	<b>pp</b>	<b>pp, pd, dd</b>
<i>Polarization:b/t</i>	<b>0; 0.8</b>	<b>0; 0</b>	<b>0; 0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<i>Luminosity</i>	<b><math>2 \cdot 10^{33}</math></b>	<b><math>2 \cdot 10^{32}</math></b>	<b><math>3.5 \cdot 10^{35}</math></b>	<b><math>5 \cdot 10^{32}</math></b>	<b><math>5 \cdot 10^{32}</math></b>	<b><math>10^{32}</math></b>
$\sqrt{s}$ , GeV	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>200, 500</b>	<b>200, 500</b>	<b>10 - 26</b>
$x_{1(\text{beam})}$ range	<b>0.1-0.9</b>	<b>0.1-0.6</b>	<b>0.1-0.5</b>	<b>0.03-1.0</b>	<b>0.03-1.0</b>	<b>0.1-0.8</b>
$q_T$ , GeV	<b>0.5 -4.0</b>	<b>0.5 -1.5</b>	<b>0.5 -3.0</b>	<b>1.0 -10.0</b>	<b>1.0 -10.0</b>	<b>0.5 -6.0</b>
<i>Lepton pairs,</i>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math></b>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math></b>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math></b>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math></b>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math></b>	<b><math>\mu-\mu+</math>, <math>e+e-</math></b>
<i>Data taking</i>	<b>2015</b>	<b>&gt;2025</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>&gt;2016</b>	<b>&gt;2016</b>	<b>&gt;2020</b>
<i>Transversity</i>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<i>Boer-Mulders</i>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<i>Sivers</i>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<i>Pretzelosity</i>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<i>Worm Gear</i>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>
<i>Direct <math>\gamma</math></i>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>

# NICA International collaboration



**CERN-JINR cooperation**



**JINR -BMBF Agreement**



**JINR-France (IN2P3) MoU**

**Workshop on NICA Megaproject**

**NICA-FAIR Agreement**





**NICA “corner stone” ceremony, JINR, March 25, 2016**

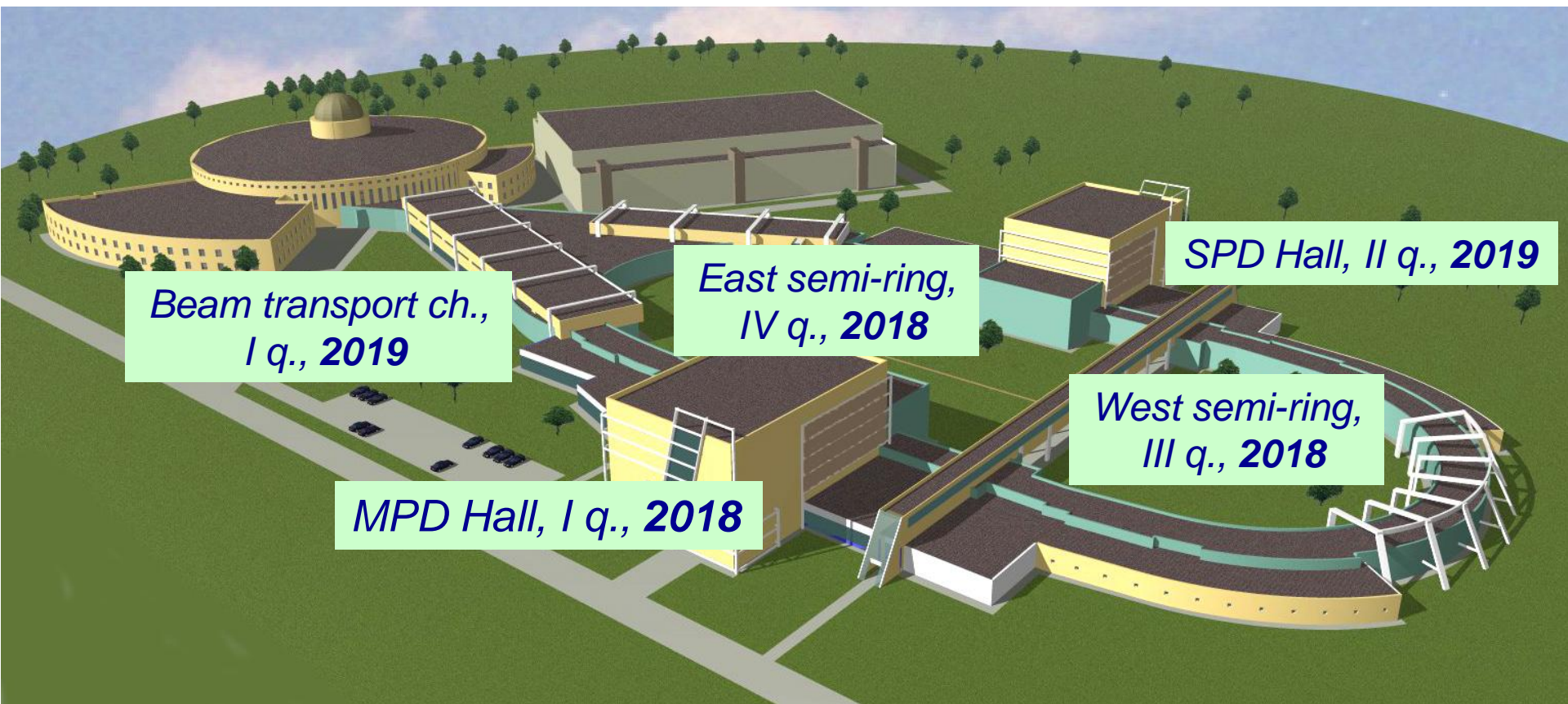
# The NICA Civil engineering

**General Contract** (*duration 43 months*)

**STRABAG** – *main contractor*; **Комета** – *main designer*

*The works are in progress: piling, subcontractor for iron/concrete works*

**The whole Complex comprises several Objects to be commissioned**



*Beam transport ch.,  
I q., 2019*

*East semi-ring,  
IV q., 2018*

*SPD Hall, II q., 2019*

*West semi-ring,  
III q., 2018*

*MPD Hall, I q., 2018*



***The construction is in progress***

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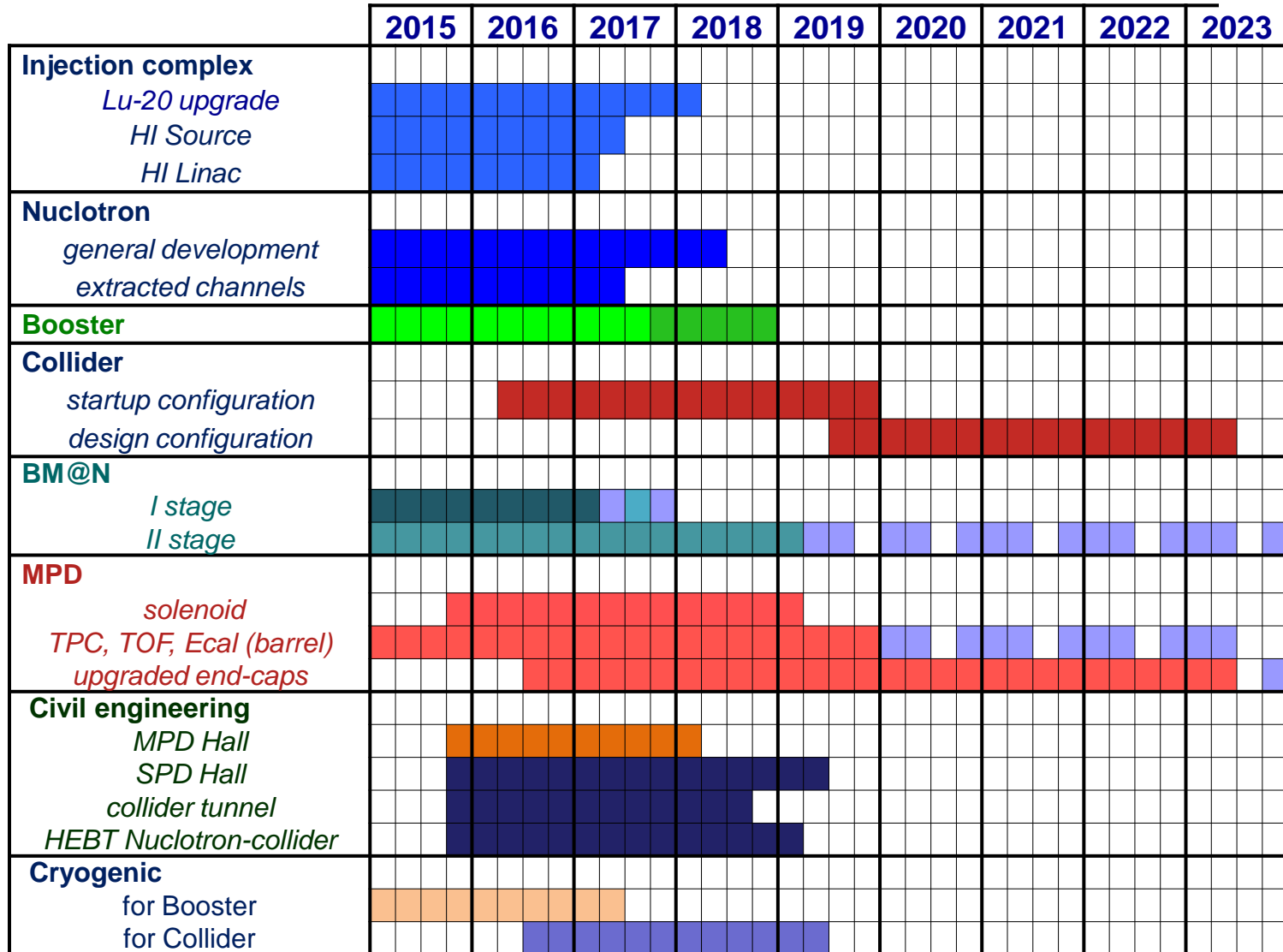
# Innovation center of NICA

## Examples of architectural solutions



At this time, several architectural solutions proposed by different project organizations are actively discussed. Here are two examples of such solutions.

# NICA schedule



*running time*

# Accelerator elements

## Machine Advisory Committee

- *Boris Sharkov, ITEP, chairman*
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# MultiPurpose Detector (MPD)

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# Agreement between Government of Russian Federation and JINR on the NICA realization



## ПРАВИТЕЛЬСТВО РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ

### РАСПОРЯЖЕНИЕ

от 27 апреля 2016 г. № 783-р

МОСКВА

**О подписании Соглашения между Правительством Российской Федерации и международной межправительственной научно-исследовательской организацией Объединенным институтом ядерных исследований о создании и эксплуатации комплекса сверхпроводящих колец на встречных пучках тяжелых ионов NICA**

1. В соответствии с пунктом 1 статьи 11 Федерального закона "О международных договорах Российской Федерации" одобрить представленный Минобрнауки России согласованный с МИДом России, Минфином России, Минэкономразвития России и международной межправительственной научно-исследовательской организацией Объединенным институтом ядерных исследований проект Соглашения между Правительством Российской Федерации и международной межправительственной научно-исследовательской организацией Объединенным институтом ядерных исследований о создании и эксплуатации комплекса сверхпроводящих колец на встречных пучках тяжелых ионов NICA (прилагается).

2. Поручить Минобрнауки России провести переговоры с международной межправительственной научно-исследовательской организацией Объединенным институтом ядерных исследований и по достижении договоренности подписать от имени Правительства Российской Федерации указанное в пункте 1 настоящего распоряжения Соглашение, разрешив вносить в прилагаемый проект изменения, не имеющие принципиального характера.

## СОГЛАШЕНИЕ

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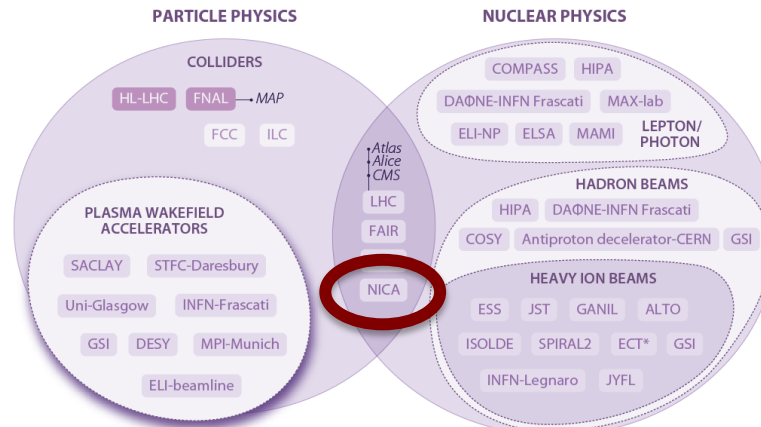
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стремясь создать комплекс сверхпроводящих колец на встречных пучках тяжелых ионов NICA (Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility), обладающий беспрецедентными параметрами в области исследования физики частиц и ядер высоких энергий и обеспечивающий возможность его применения для инновационных разработок в приоритетных областях научных знаний, техники и технологий,

согласились о нижеследующем:

Статья 1

## NICA in ESFRI road map update 2016





## Concluding remarks



- NICA can provide a competitive research of *dense baryonic matter and spin physics*
- Construction of the *accelerator complex is in progress*
- Constructions of both **BM@N** and **MPD** are well progressing
- The SPD project is in preparation
- The NICA collaboration is growing
- New NICA partners are welcome



NICA

*The cooperation makes us stronger!*

FAIR

CERN

**Thank you!**

# Round Table Discussions on NICA/MPD@JINR

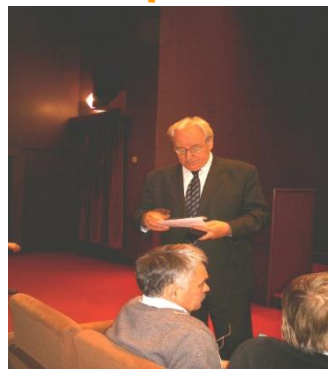
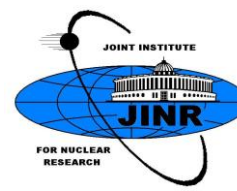
**Round Table Discussion I: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron, July 7 - 9, 2005**  
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**Round Table Discussion II: Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting matter at the JINR Nuclotron: Nuclotron facility development JINR, Dubna, October 6 - 7, 2006**  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2006/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion III: *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA* JINR (Dubna), November 5 - 6, 2008,**  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2008/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion IV: *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper)* JINR (Dubna), September 9 - 12, 2009**  
<http://theor.jinr.ru/meetings/2009/roundtable/>

**Round Table Discussion V: *Searching for the mixed phase of strongly interacting QCD matter at the NICA: Physics at NICA (White Paper)* JINR (Dubna), August 28, 2010**  
[http://theor.jinr.ru/~cpod/Dubna\\_2010\\_program2.htm](http://theor.jinr.ru/~cpod/Dubna_2010_program2.htm)



горячей и плотной сильно взаимодействующей КХД материи и поиск возможных проявлений образования смешанной фазы и критической точки в столкновениях тяжелых ионов.

**IHEP-JINR seminar at Protvino, 14.02.08**

**MEMORANDUM**



**МЕМОРАНДУМ**  
Совместного семинара ИТЭФ-ОИЯИ  
Институт теоретической и экспериментальной физики  
27 мая 2009 года, г. Москва

Участники семинара заслушали доклады:  
А.Н. Сисакина "Ускорительный комплекс NICA: статус и перспективы".  
Б.Ю. Шарков "Новые возможности ускорителей для исследования вещества экстремальных условиях".  
И.Н. Мешков "Коллайдеры тяжелых ионов RHIC и NICA: статус и перспективы".  
В.Д. Тонеев "Физика тяжелых ионов на ускорительном комплексе NICA".

Отмечены:  
1) актуальность и возрастающая привлекательность исследований тяжелых ионных столкновений в диапазоне энергий  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 4 - 11$  ГэВ для фундаментальных проблем поиска новых состояний ядерной материи и изучения процессов экстремально высоких плотностей;  
2) прогресс в развитии проекта NICA, получившего широкую международную известность и высокую оценку авторитетных экспертов мирового уровня;  
3) заинтересованность специалистов ИТЭФ в активном участии в совместных с ОИЯИ работах по проекту NICA;  
4) необходимость более тесной кооперации в решении проблем, представляющих взаимный интерес, включая организацию ассоциации (консорциума, сообщества) по исследованию экстремальных состояний вещества и фазовых превращений в ионных столкновениях.

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**Решение**  
Общемоосковского семинара по релятивистской ядерной физике  
27 марта 2008 года  
Институт Ядерных Исследований РАН

Участники семинара "Проект NICA (тяжелоионный коллайдер: концепция, планы реализации и перспективы совместных работ)" заслушав доклады, представленные разработчиками Проекта NICA/MPD (ОИЯИ):

1. А.Н. Сисакина "Статус проекта NICA/MPD".
2. А.Н. Сисакина, А.С. Сорин "Программа физических исследований на ускорительном комплексе NICA".
3. И.Н. Мешков "Концептуальный проект ускорительного комплекса NICA".
4. В.Д. Кевкелдзе "Концептуальный проект многоцелевого детектора MPD".

и обсудив цели и содержание проекта, а также перспективы его осуществления, приняли к следующему заключению.

1. Физическая проблема, инициировавшая разработку Проекта, является одной из наиболее важных среди фундаментальных проблем физики микромира и начальных этапов эволюции Вселенной.
2. Представленные на семинаре концептуальные проекты NICA и MPD выполнены на современном уровне с привлечением передовых технологий и использованием оригинальных идей, предложенных и развитых в России.
3. Осуществление Проекта на базе лабораторий ОИЯИ представляется вполне реальным, а представленные планы работ - выполнимыми.
4. Для успешного и быстрого выполнения Проекта целесообразно создание широкой Всероссийской и международной коллаборации.
5. Институты России располагают необходимым научным и инженерно-техническим потенциалом.
6. Успешная реализация Проекта позволит всем участникам Проекта занять лидирующие позиции в физике высоких энергий и войти в число самых передовых исследовательских центров мира.

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**Round Table Discussions I, II, III, IV, V...  
JINR, Dubna, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010...**

# Critical point and onset of deconfinement - CPOD-2010

*August 22-29 2010, Dubna*



# NICA/JINR-FAIR Bilateral Workshop

Matter at Highest Baryon Densities in the Laboratory and in Space

Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, April 2 - 4, 2012

[http://theor.jinr.ru/~nica\\_fair/](http://theor.jinr.ru/~nica_fair/)

## Topics:

- Phases of QCD at high baryon densities
- Effects signalling phase transitions
- Observables in heavy-ion collisions and in astrophysics
- Simulations of ion collisions and supernovae

## Aims:

- identify discovery potential of Nuclotron-NICA and FAIR in the canon of current and future HIC experiments
- chiral symmetry restoration
- onset of deconfinement
- in-medium modification of hadron properties
- color superconductivity, multiquark states, etc.

## Results:

- Most promising and feasible suggestions for experiments at Nuclotron-NICA and CBM/FAIR
- Priorities for detectors and formation of international collaborations



# NICA White Paper prioritization meeting JINR Dubna, November 5, 2013

THEORY

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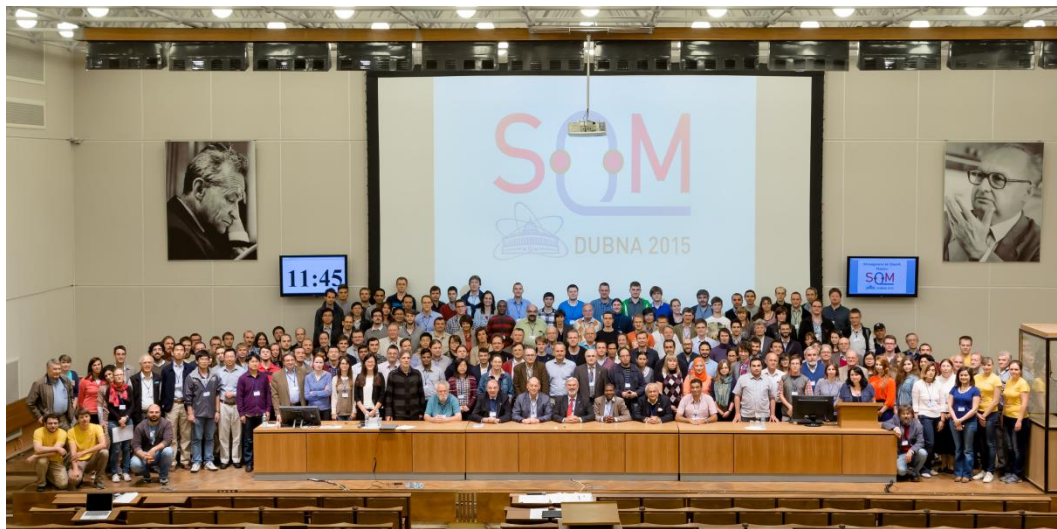
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# Strangeness in Quark Matter 2015

Dubna, 6.-11. July 2015



## Satellite Meetings:

- ▶ Summer School “Dense Matter”, Dubna, June 29 – July 11, 2015
- ▶ Round Table “Physics at NICA”, Dubna, July 5, 2015

DIAS-TH: Dubna International Advanced School of Theoretical Physics

## Helmholtz International Summer School

### Dense Matter in

## Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics  
JINR, Dubna, Russia, August 21 - September 1, 2006



#### TOPICS:

- \* *Hadrons in the Medium*
- \* *Equation of State and Phase Transition*
- \* *Hadron Production in Heavy-Ion Collisions*
- \* *Color Superconductivity and sQGP*
- \* *Dense Matter in Compact Stars*

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## Dense Matter in Heavy Ion Collisions and Astrophysics

Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics  
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#### TOPICS:

- *Hadrons in the Medium*
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- *Future Experimental Facilities*

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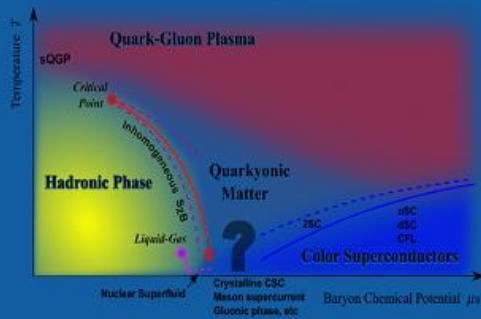
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# Dense QCD Phases in Heavy-Ion Collisions

August 21- September 4, 2010

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