





Mechanics for the beam pipe, FFD and ITS integration with TPC

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- **D** MPD ITS Consortium introduction
- **I** Igolkin's idea of integration with Installation Container
- □ The MPD Installation Container status and perspectives
- □ Timelines of milestones and deliverables
- □ Activity beyond IC:
- 1) Design, production and thermocycle tests of the wire-target unit
- 2) Computer simulations to estimate the "price" of compromises on BP

NICA MPD-Inner Tracking System based on ALICE ITS-2 technology



MPD-ITS structure: 3-layers Inner Barrel + 3-layers Outer Barrel .

It will supplement the TPC for the precise tracking, momentum determination and vertex reconstruction for **low Pt momenta hyperons** (Λ , Ξ , Ω) and identification of **D-mesons**.



Some of the MPD-ITS requirements:

- Fast, high granularity CMOS pixel sensors with low noise level.
- Spatial resolution of track coordinate registration at the level of ${\sim}5{-}10~\mu m.$
- Material budget as low as possible.
- Positioned as close as possible to the interaction diamond

Yu. A Murin and C. Ceballos, "The Inner Tracking System for the MPD Setup of the NICA Collider", Phys. Part. Nuclei 52, 742–751 (2021).



Drifting from ALICE ITS2 to NICA ITS

The MAPS chip - ALPIDE

- » High-resistivity (> $1k\Omega$ cm) p-type epitaxial layer (20 μ m 40 μ m thick) on p-type substrate.
- » Small n-well diode (2-3 μ m diameter), ~100 times smaller than pixel => low capacitance.
- circuitry within active area.
- » Global shutter readout pixels' matrix



The MAPS chip - MICA





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Courtesy of Prof. V.Kondratiev (SPbSU)

Establish the 'NICA MPD-ITS Consortium'

- In order to further cooperate between JINR and Chinese institutions, the "NICA MPD-ITS Consortium" has been established:
 - The acting time for the consortium is 5 years;
 - The coordinator center within the Russian Federation will be the JINR and in China will be the CCNU
 - The other institutions participating in the Consortium will have each one representative on the project structure for decision making and control.



Courtesy of Prof. Xiangming Sun (CNNU)

The MPD Installation Container conceptual approach put forward by Sergei Igolkin (SpbSU,SPb)



The 50 cm diameter of the TPC bore is too narrow to do otherwise !



Current status: 95% IC readiness for dry tests of the integration scenario



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- Designed & produced in the house by D.Andreev +3
- GrafitPro (Moscow)cage manufacturing

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The yet-to-do list with timelines of major milestones

In the Lab (now - 27.12.2024)

- Design and production of BP fixtures for mounting and fixation BP inside IC
- Finalization of production of the support wheels for first additional layer of the ITS OB
- Design and production of the Interceptor
- Design and production of wire-target unit (together with AD)

In the MPD Hall (10.01.2025 – 27.06.2025)

- Dry test of the installation scenario with TPC dummy at different incline angles
- Design and production of auxiliary fixtures and tooling

Last but not least:



Computer simulations for estimation the impact of the beam pipe properties on expected momenta resolution and tracking efficiency in "TPC only" and "TPC+ITS(OB)" configurations and FXT mode

- Beam pipe: Stainless steal (80 mm); Ti (64 mm), Al(64 mm); Be(64 mm)
- Pojectile nuclei: 2.5AGeV Xe; 2.5AGeV Bi
- •Targets: Be(50 um),Au(50um;2x25 um); W(?um)
- **Result:** relative transverse and full momenta resolution and tracking efficiency as function of momenta for identified secondaries; wires and beampipe images, etc.

Target R&D

• Production and thermocycle tests of few wire-targets carriers with mounted wires (anticipated materials Be, Au and W; anticipated method: US bonding or UHV compatible adhesive)







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Thanks for your attention!

