



Collider-Accelerator Department Programs

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C-AD mission

- ... develop, improve and operate the suite of particle / heavy ion accelerators used to carry out the program of accelerator-based experiments at BNL;
- ... to support the experimental program including design, construction and operation of the beam transports to the experiments plus support of detector and research needs of the experiments;
- ... to design and construct new accelerator facilities in support of the BNL and national missions. Department supports an international user community of over 1,500 scientists.
- ... perform all these functions in an environmentally responsible and safe manner under a rigorous conduct of operations approach.

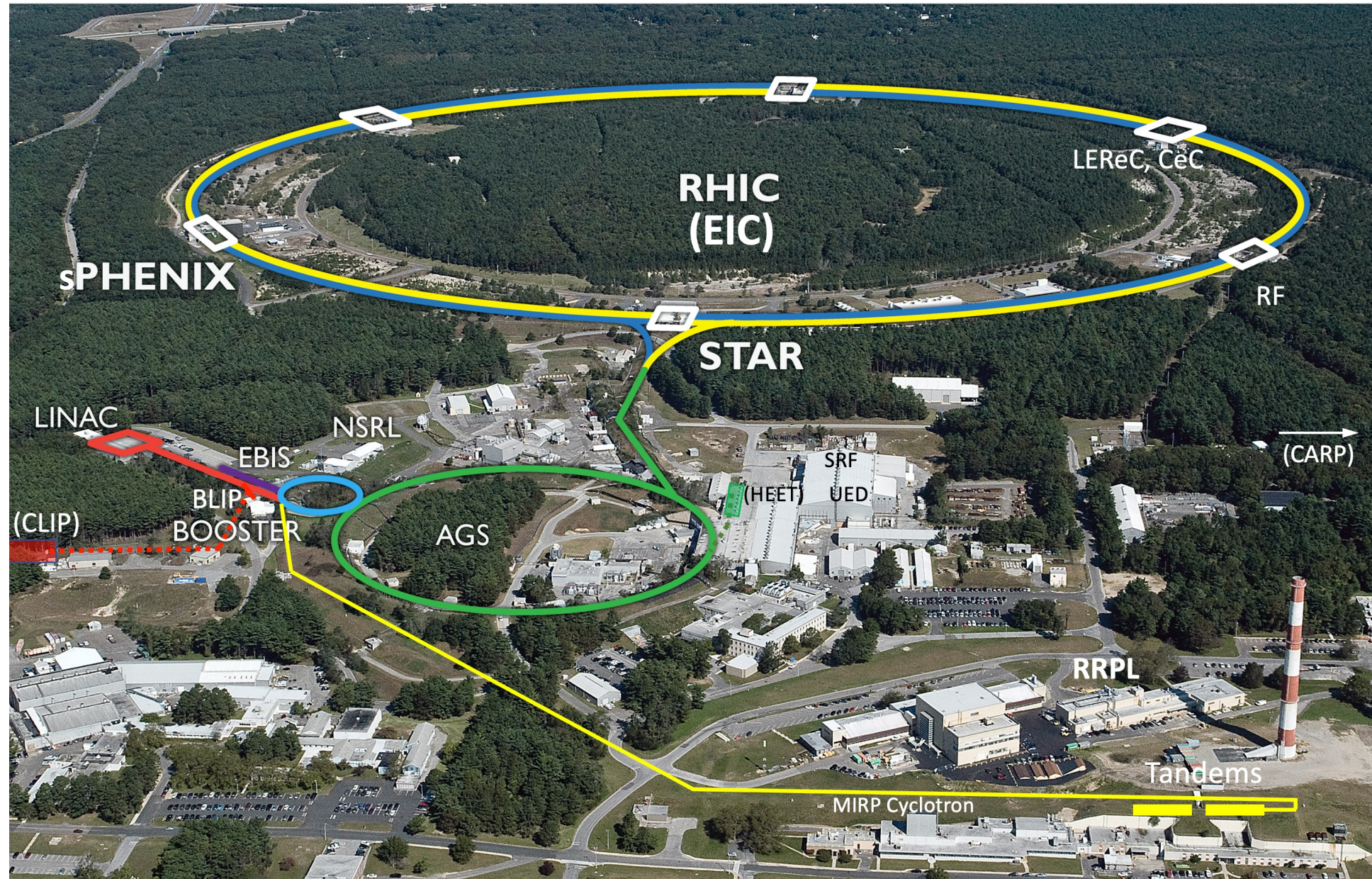
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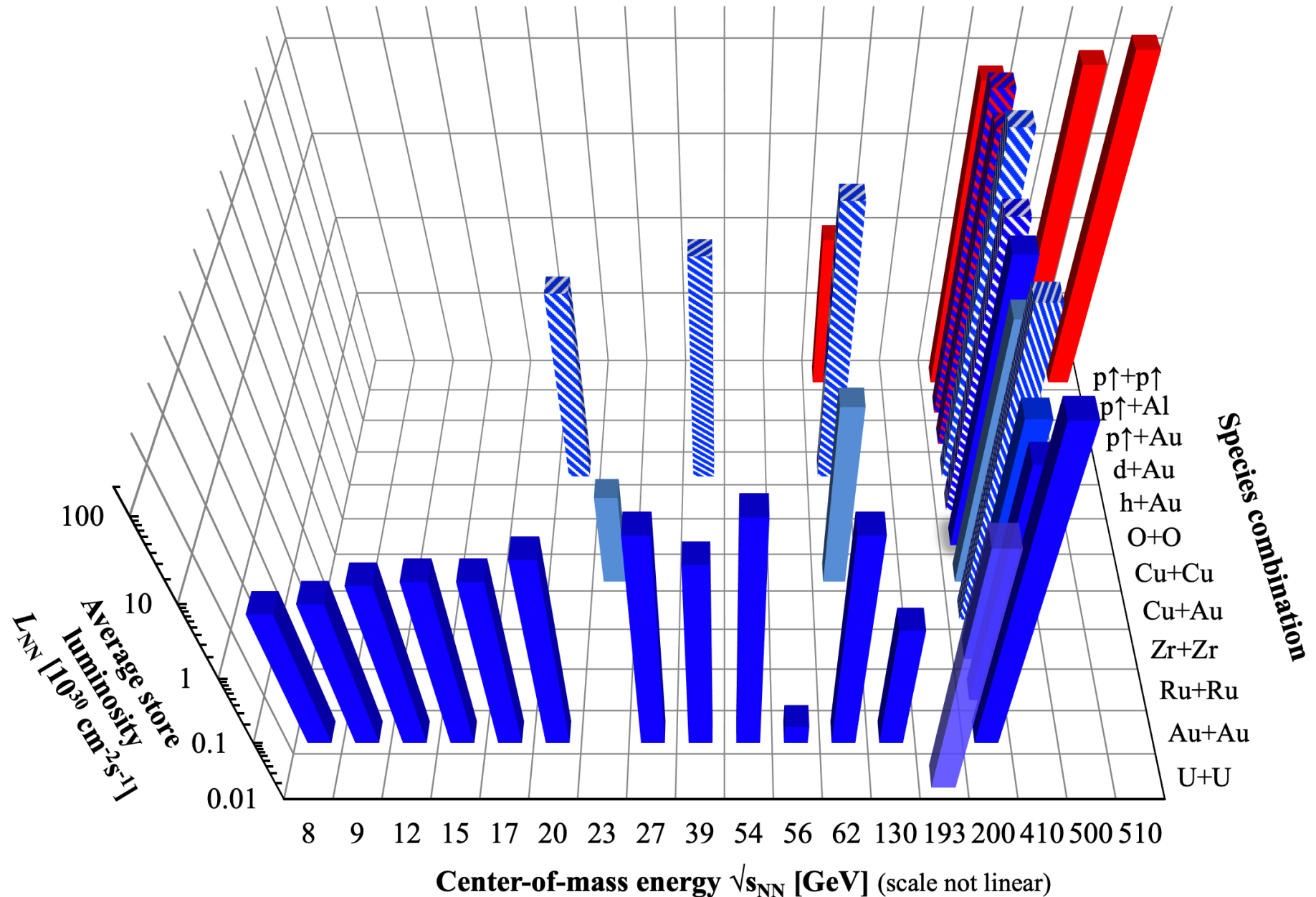


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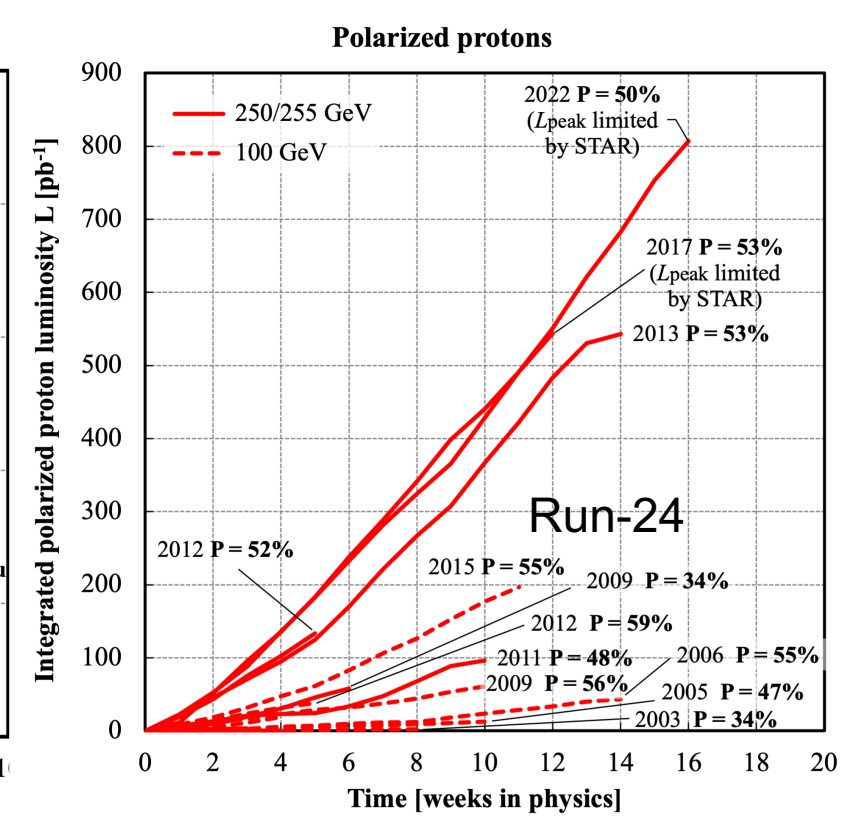
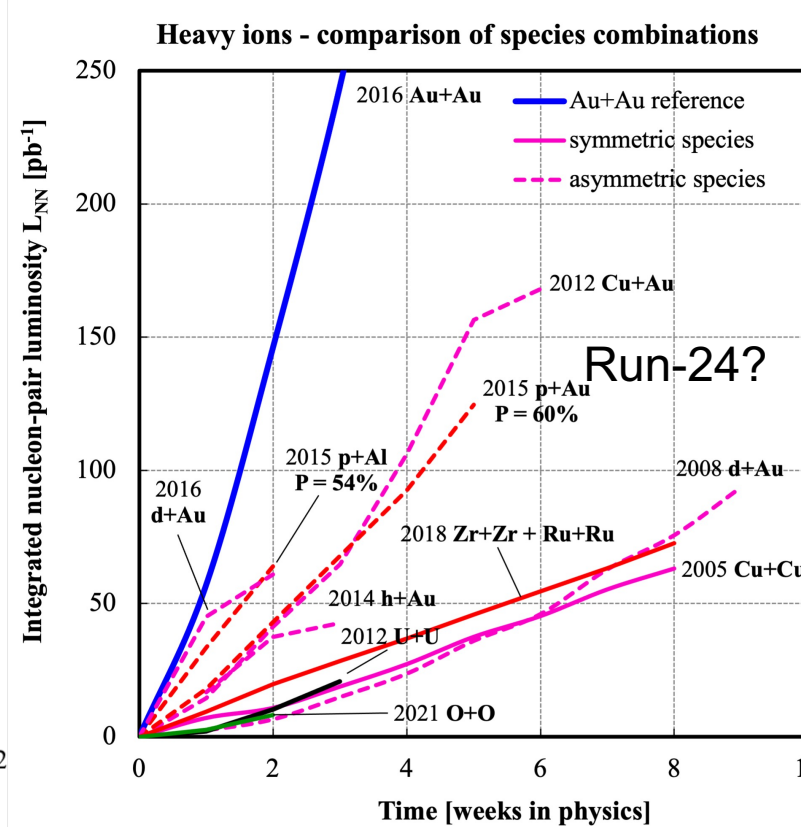
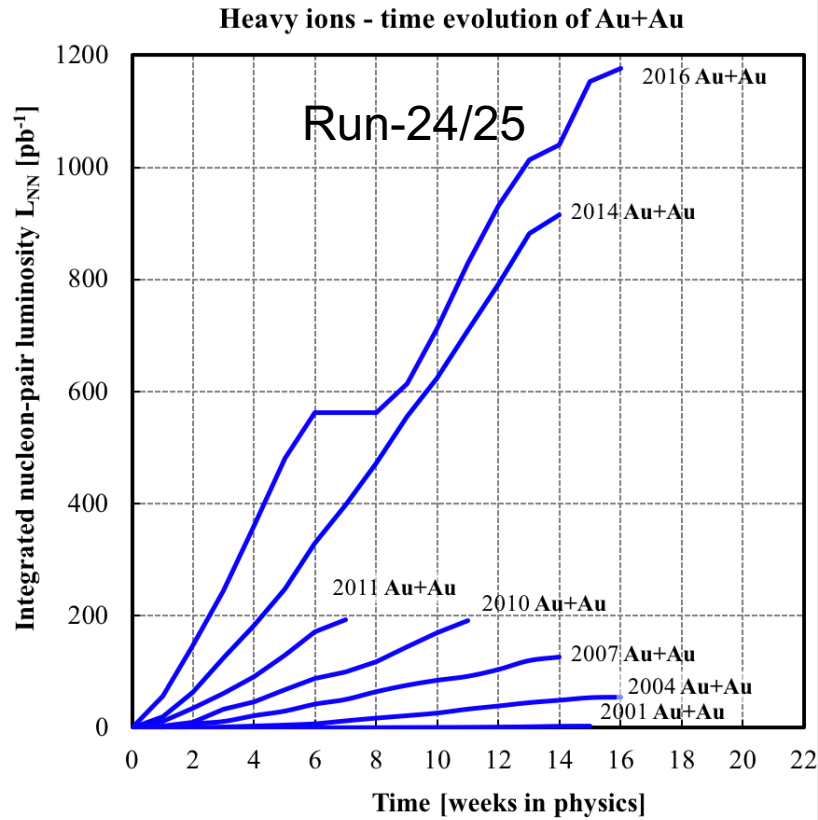
- RHIC – completing the science mission
- EIC project support – matrixed staff, scope
- Isotope production – MIRP => IP Department
- Space radiation studies – NSRL and Tandems
- Industrial applications – Tandems
- R&D

RHIC

RHIC energies, species combinations and luminosities (Run-1 to 22)



RHIC – completing the science mission with sPHENIX and STAR in FY2024 and FY2025



C-AD and the Electron-Ion Collider

C-AD supports the EIC through

- Transfer of staff
- Matrixed staff
- EIC scope in C-AD
 - eg pre-cooler and ring cooler design
 - eg R&R (Removal and Repurposing)

EIC Design Overview

Design based on **existing RHIC Complex**

RHIC is well maintained, operating at its peak

RHIC accelerator chain will provide EIC Hadrons

EIC constructed in Collaboration with **Jefferson Lab**

Hadron storage Ring (RHIC Rings) 40-275 GeV

- Superconducting magnets (**existing**)
- 1160 bunches, 1A beam current (3x RHIC)
- bright vertical beam emittance 1.5 nm
- strong cooling (coherent electron cooling)

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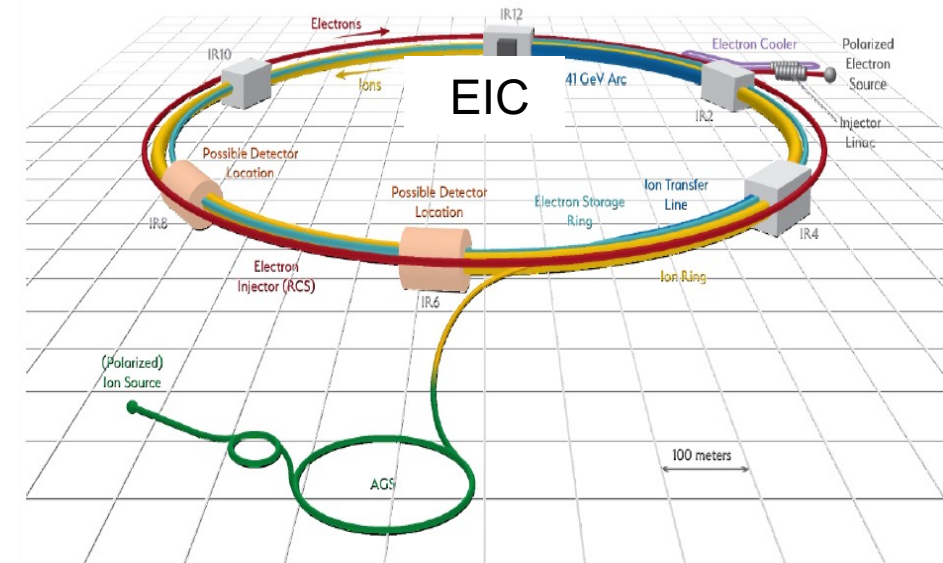
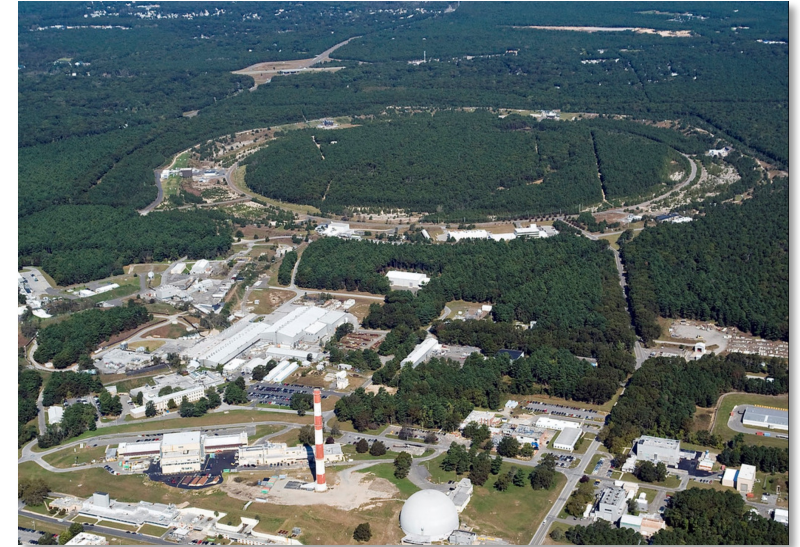
- large beam current, 2.5 A → 9 MW S.R. power
- S.C. RF cavities
- Need to inject polarized bunches

Electron rapid cycling synchrotron (0.4- 18) GeV

- 1-2 Hz
- Spin transparent due to high periodicity

High luminosity Interaction Region(s)

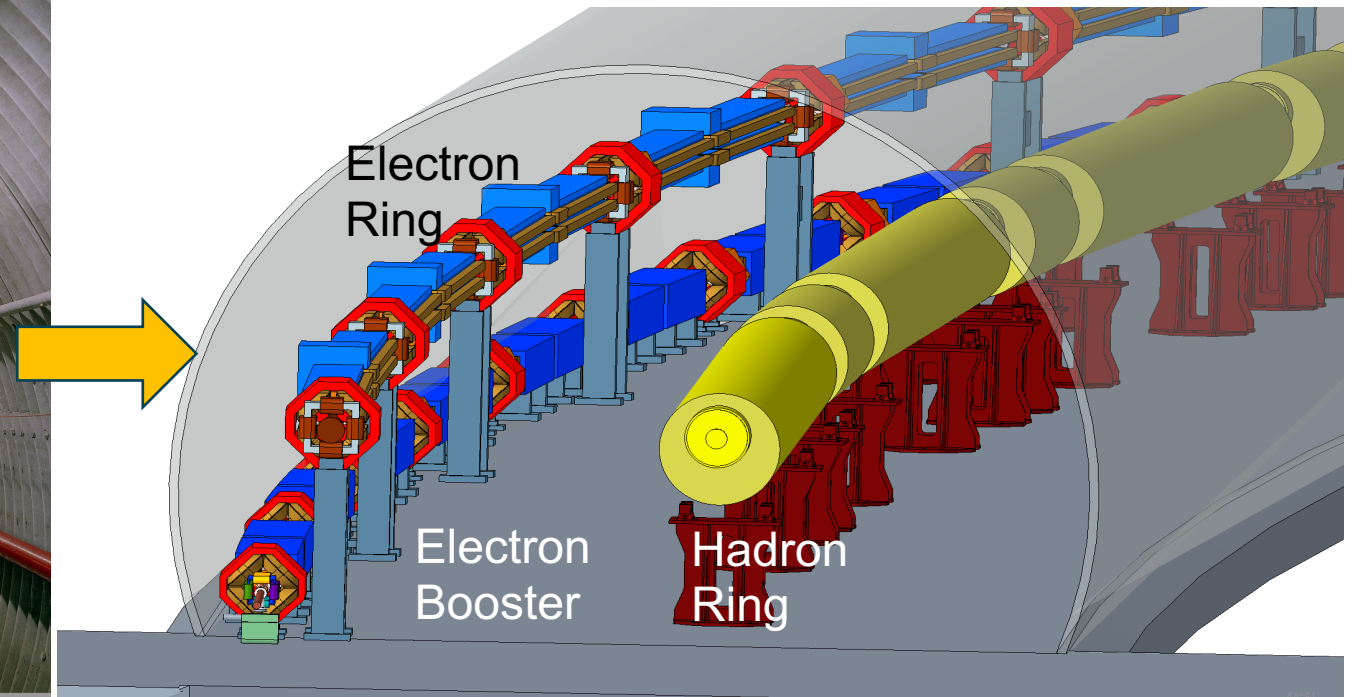
- Luminosity = $10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Superconducting magnets
- 25 mrad crossing angle with crab cavities
- Spin Rotators (longitudinal spin)
- Forward hadron instrumentation



RHIC to EIC



TYPICAL ARC SECTION RENDERING



Isotope Production

- Medical Isotope Research and Production (MIRP) in C-A Department, becomes Isotope Research and Production Department (IP) on 1 October 2023
 - IP fastest growing program in DOE
 - target processing presently under accelerator order, will move to nuclear order (more stringent requirements)
- C-AD will continue to deliver beam, support IP, develop new capabilities for isotope production
 - Linac intensity upgrade
 - CLIP = Center for Linac Isotope Production
- more details on Isotope Research and Production in talk by Cathy Cutler

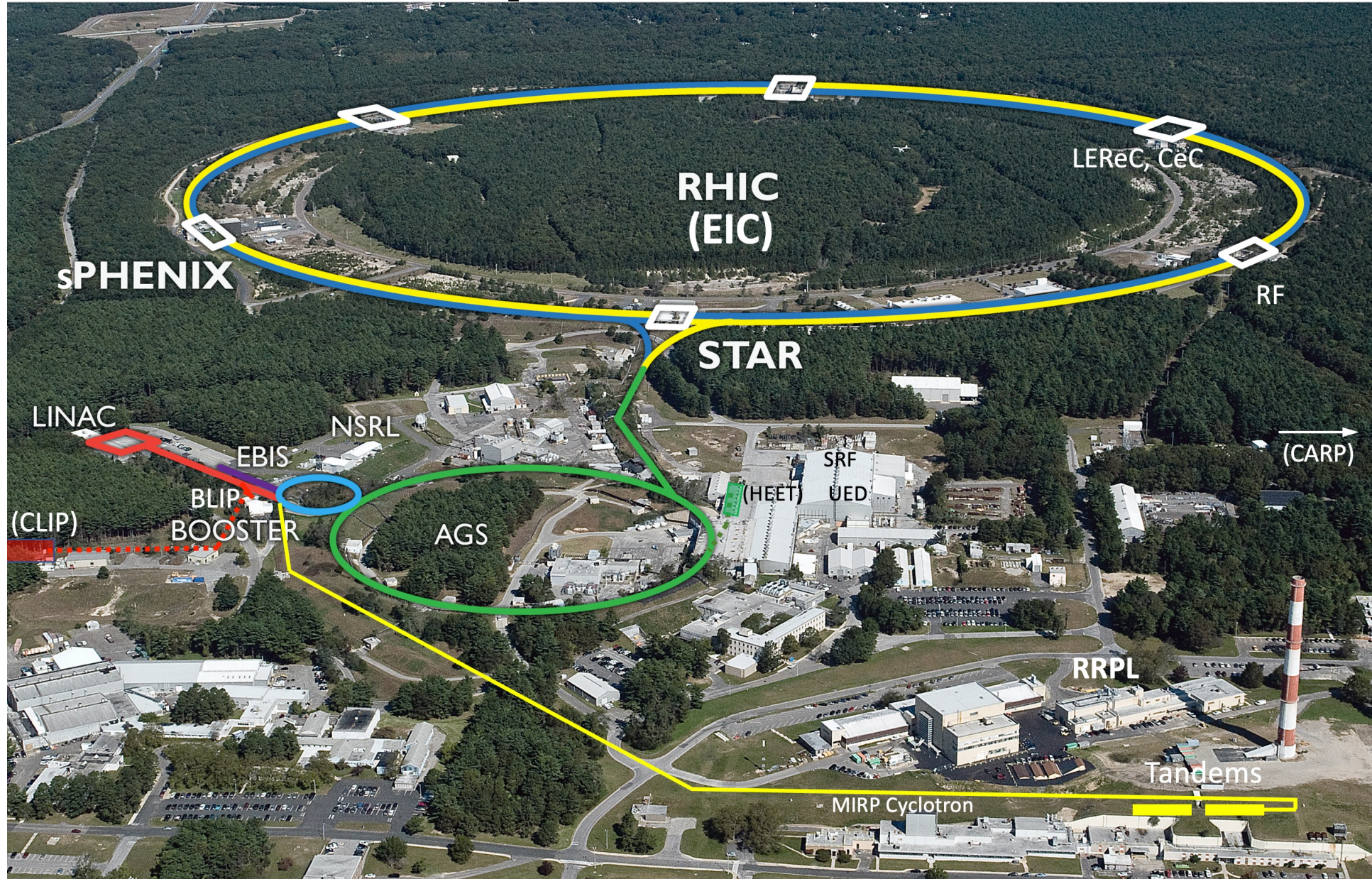
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Space Radiation Studies

- NASA Space Radiation Laboratory (NSRL)
 - NASA research program is biology focused to support Human space flight
 - additional use for space radiation electronics testing
- Space radiation electronics testing at Tandems
- Proposal for dedicate space radiation test facility off AGS
HEET = High-Energy Effects Test facility
(high energy in electronics testing >100 MeV/nucleon)

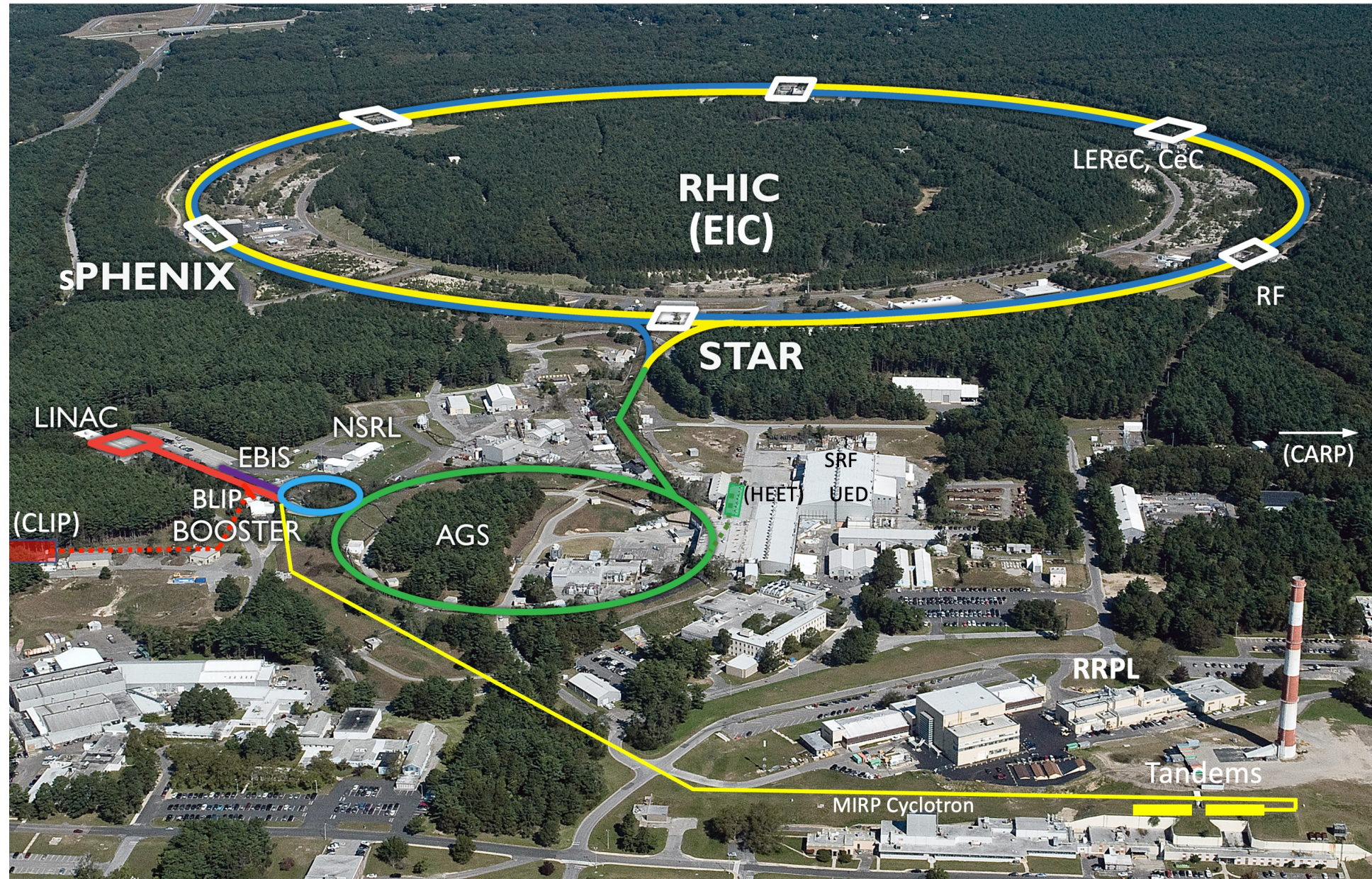
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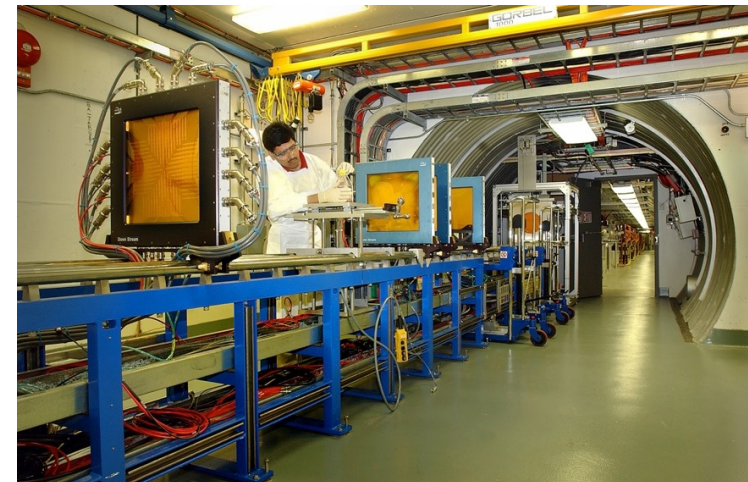
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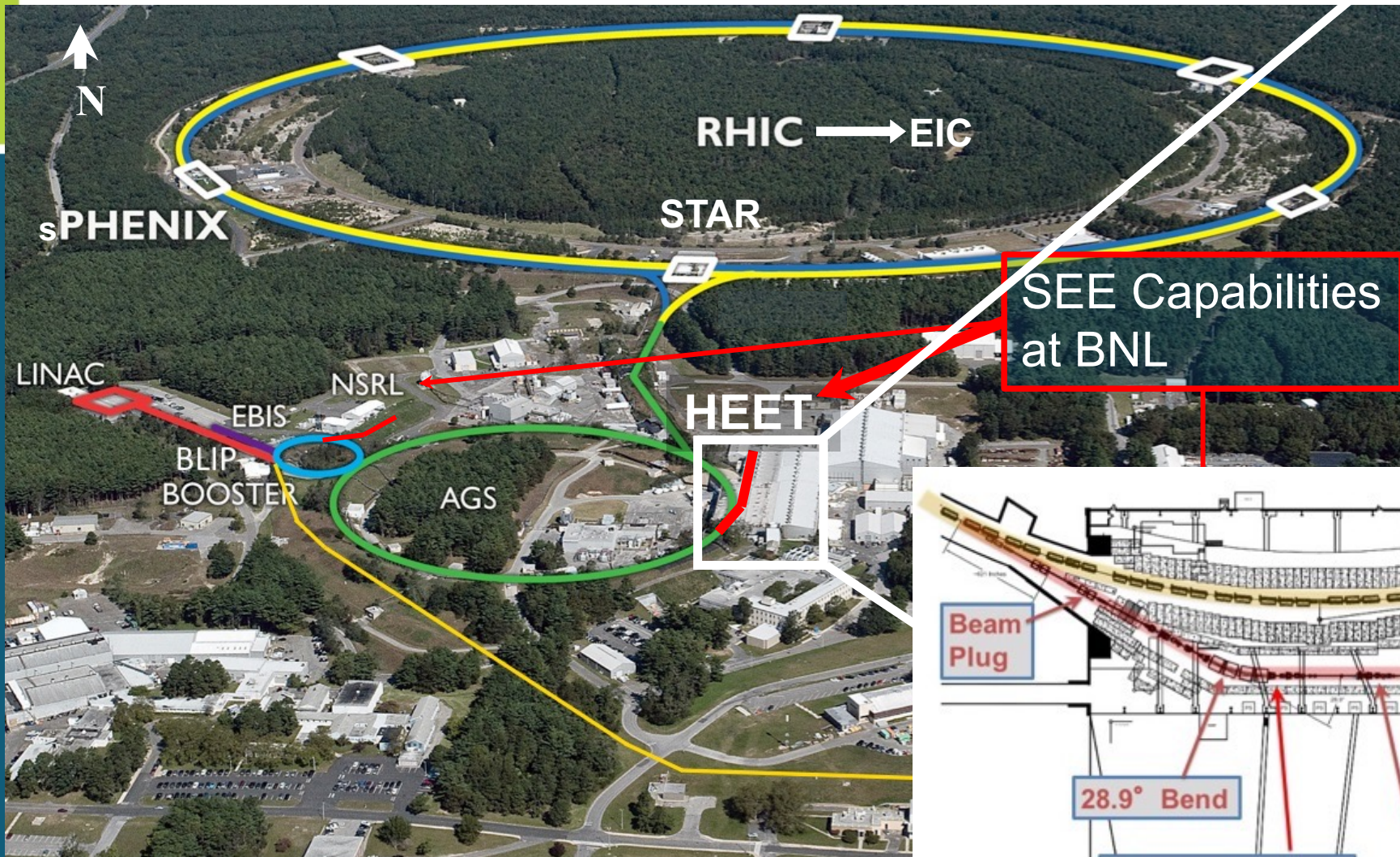
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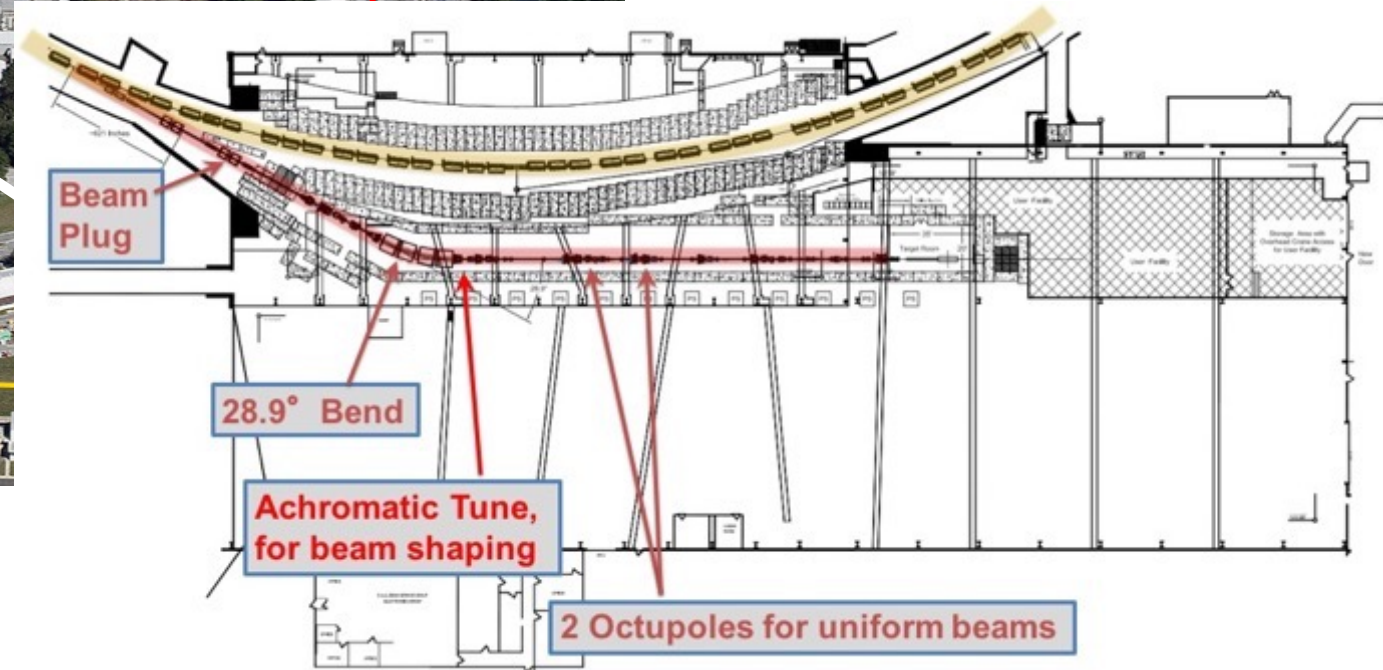
NASA Space Radiation Laboratory (NSRL)

- Started in 2003, simulates galactic radiation for human space flight
 - Heavy ion beams from AGS Booster
 - Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS) provides all necessary ion beams
 - Laser ion source for EBIS allows for rapid species switching to simulate energy and species spectrum of deep space radiation field
- Additional uses of NSRL
 - **Radiation effects studies (rapidly growing demand for satellite electronics testing)**
 - Agreement with NASA in place for non-NASA users (“non-designated user facility”)

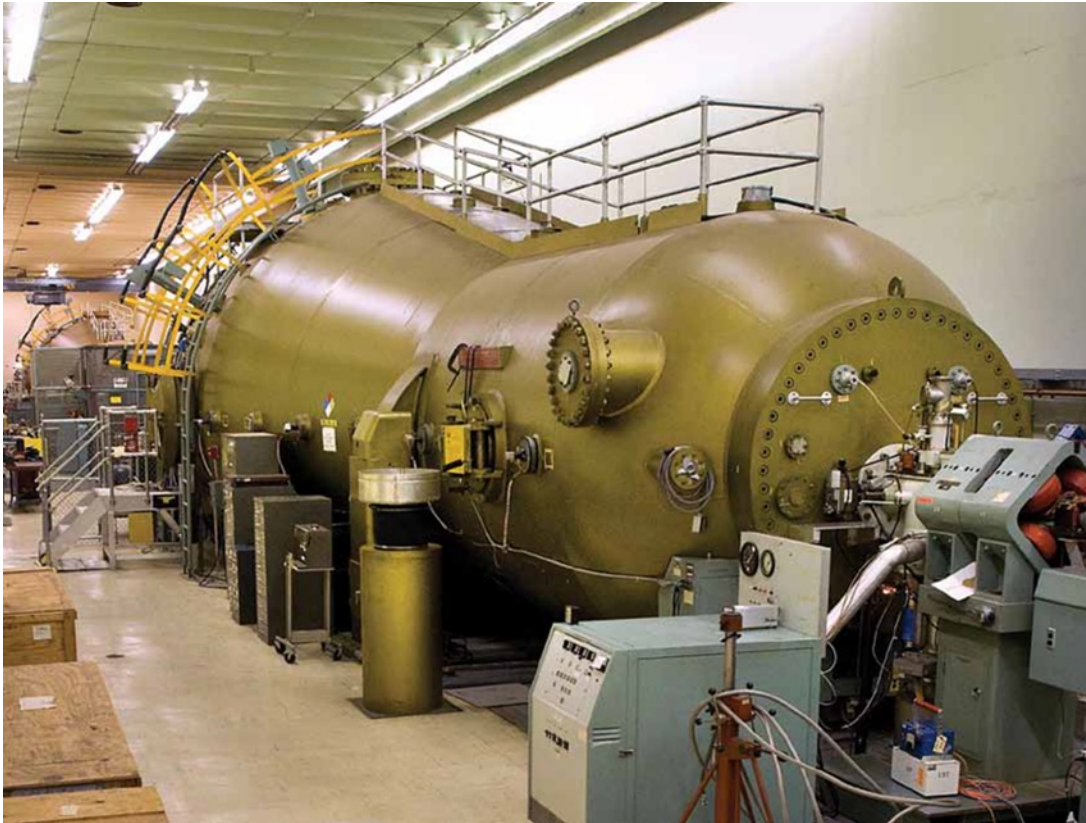




HEET proposal
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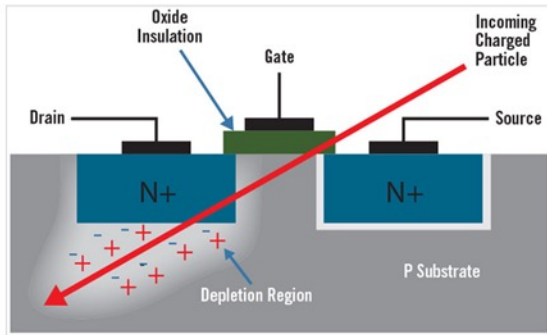
Industrial applications - Tandem Van de Graaff



- Completed 1970 for nuclear physics studies
- RHIC pre-injector until 2011
- Now "non-designated user facility"
- 2 electrostatic accelerators
- 32 MV (=2x16 MV) voltage
- >40 ion species p to Au
- 80 feet long
- Diameter varies from 12' - 18'
- 11,250 ft³
- Insulating gas approx. 45% SF₆, 45% N₂, 5% CO₂, 5% O₂
- Nominal operating pressure 150 psig

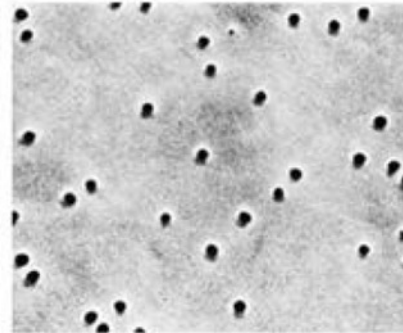
Applications of User Program

Space Radiation Effects



Single Event Upset. Image courtesy of [COTS Journal Online](#).

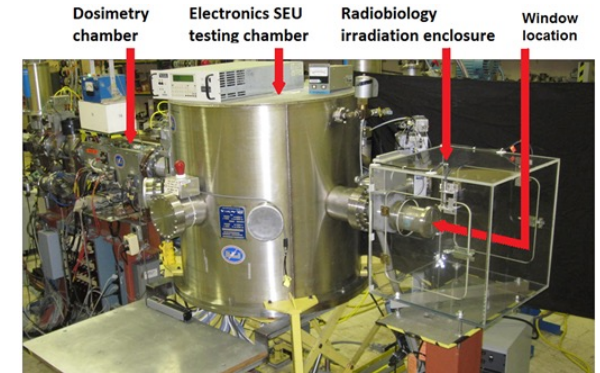
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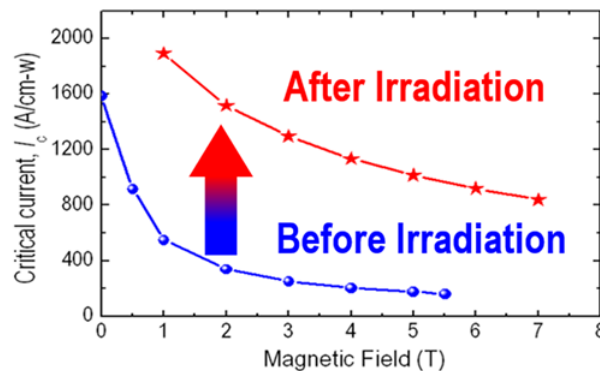
Typical Applications

- General filtration
- Removal of red blood cells from plasma
- Flow control of reagents through assay
- Precise filtration and prefiltration

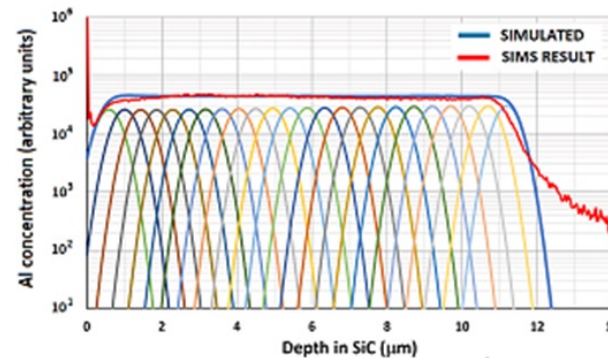
Radiation effects on cells



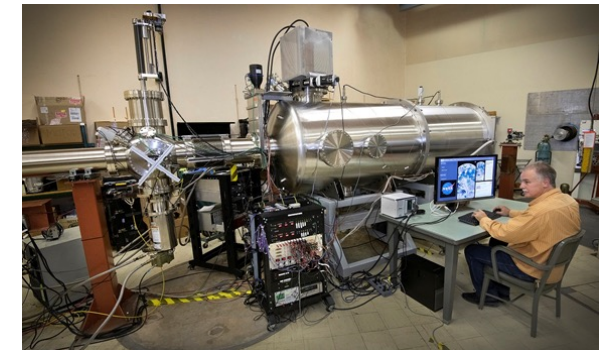
Superconductor enhancement



Silicon Carbide Implantation



Active Spacecraft Shielding



Accelerator R&D at C-AD

Improvement of RHIC performance

- Improved polarized proton acceleration in AGS and RHIC (~10% increase)
- Maximize useful luminosity for sPHENIX in small (± 10 cm) vertex region (2023 – 2025)

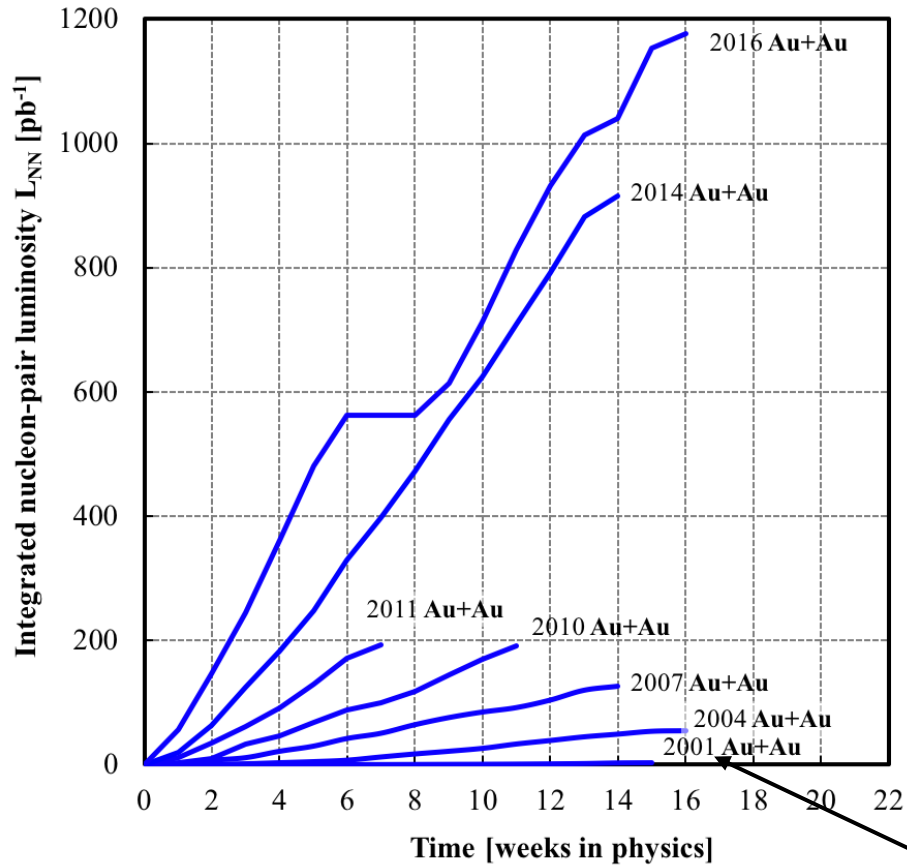
Transformational accelerator technologies in support of future NP facilities, including EIC

- Strong hadron cooling: CeC demonstration
- Polarized He-3 production, acceleration and polarimetry
- Development of high intensity high brightness electron source for strong hadron cooling
 - High intensity, high brightness SRF e gun development (NP Accelerator R&D FOA, contributing)
 - High intensity CW e gun, based on LEReC gun
- Photocathodes (ECA)
- Ion source developments
- Permanent magnet applications (LDRD)

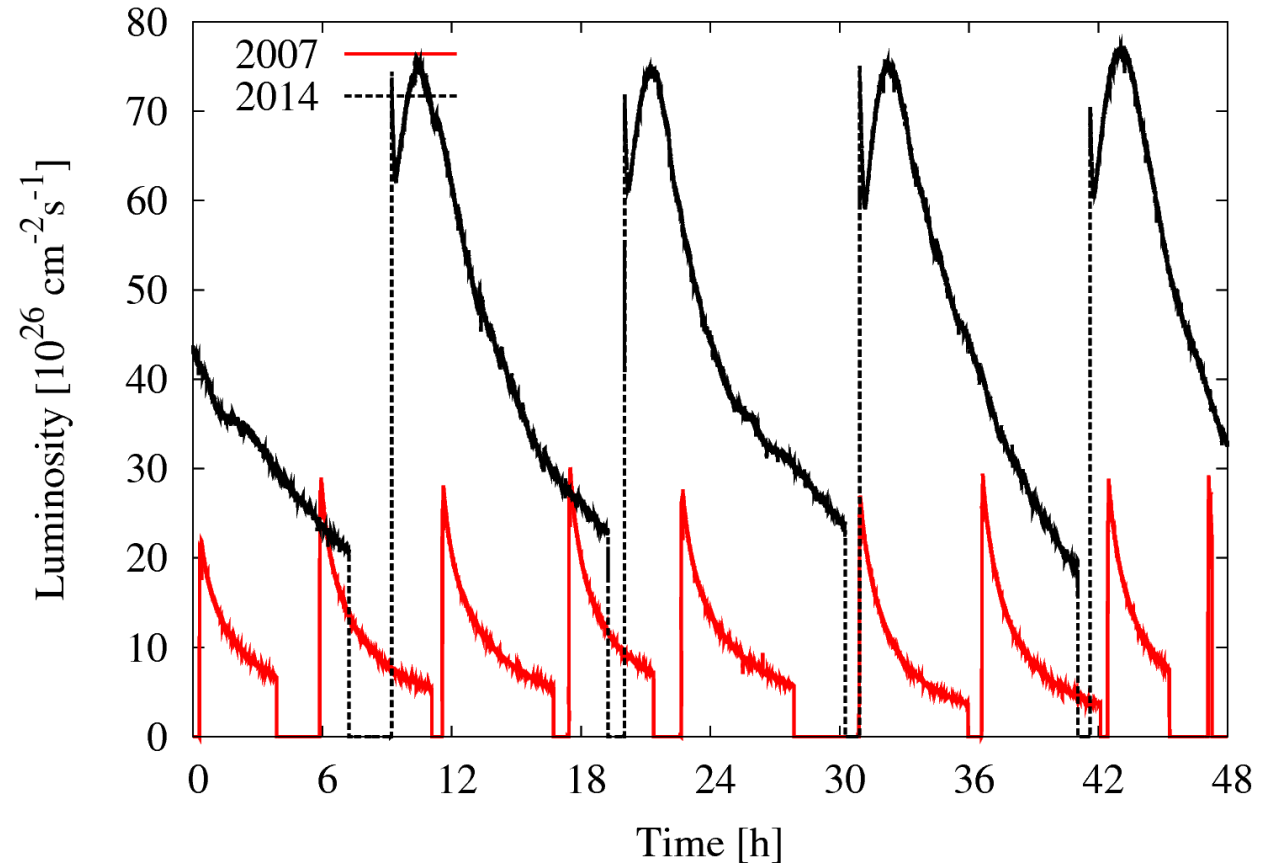
Future possibilities:

- Polarized positron source for EIC and CEBAF
- High intensity ERL development (single pass CBETA) for strong hadron cooling
- FFA applications in CEBAF energy upgrade

Heavy ions - time evolution of Au+Au



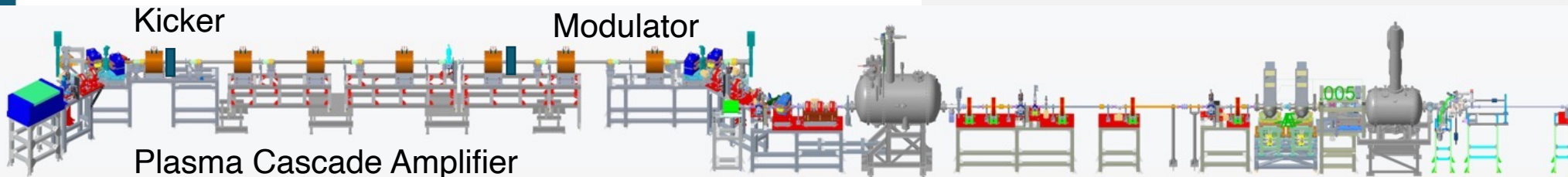
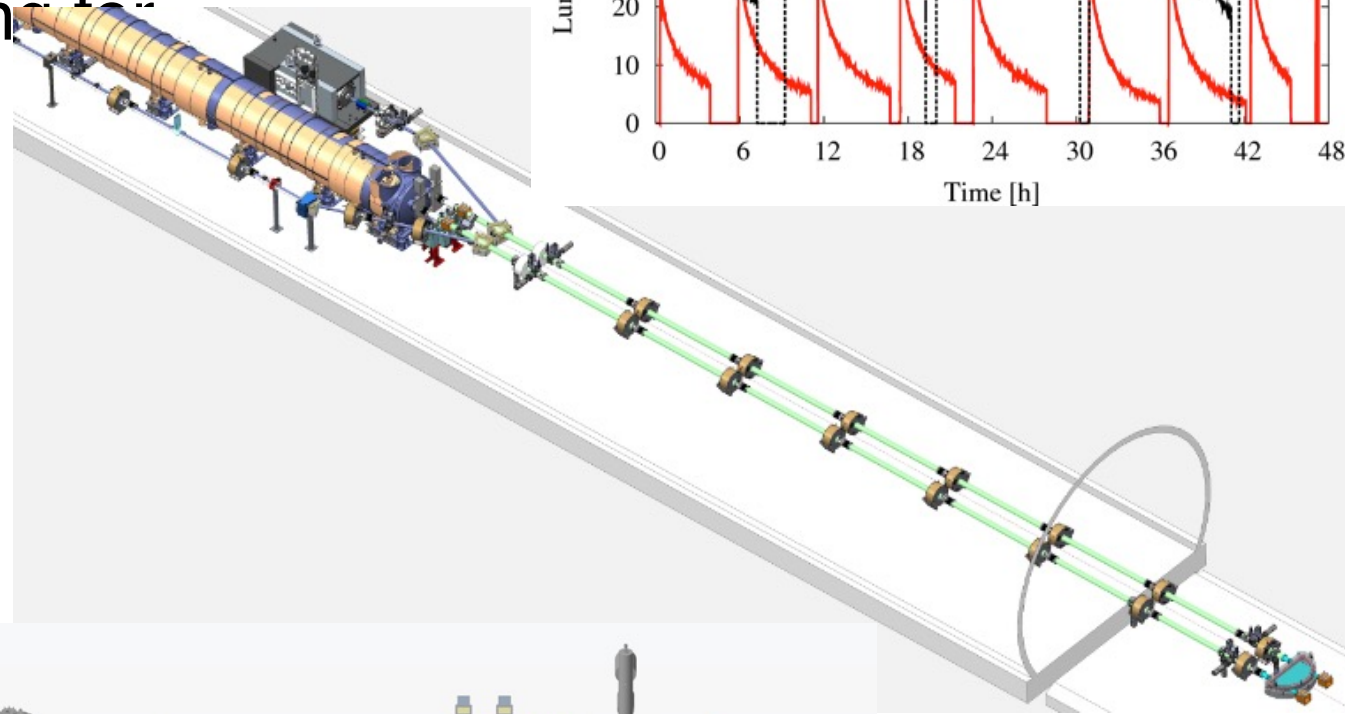
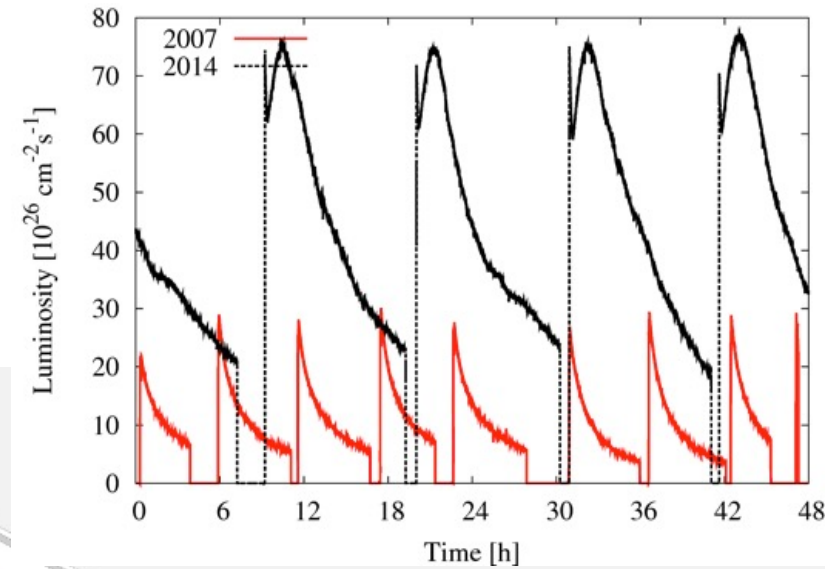
can now be done in 1/2 day
(200x faster)



RHIC Au+Au operation at full energy

Beam cooling at RHIC

- First high energy, bunched beam stochastic cooling gives record heavy ion collision rates (10 GHz microwave technology)
- First bunched beam electron cooling for luminosity upgrade of “low” energy heavy ion collisions
- Experimental demonstration of Coherent electron Cooling, (stochastic cooling with a 30 THz bandwidth)



Ion Sources at BNL

BNL Magnetron H⁻ source

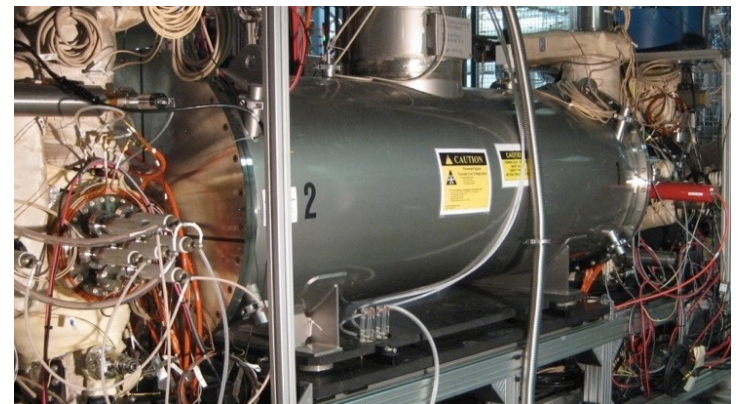
- Hydrogen plasma interacts with Cs-Mo surface
- Highest H⁻ peak current (100 mA)

BNL Optically Pumped Polarized Ion Source (OPPIS)

- Polarized electrons from optically pumped Rubidium are used to generate polarized H⁻ ions
- Highest intensity (1 mA) polarized (83%) H⁻ source

BNL Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS)

- Intense electron beam inside high-field solenoid is used to stepwise ionize heavy ions. Reaches Au³²⁺ after about 40 ms.
- Highest intensity EBIS, polarized He-3



High intensity electron sources

Active photocathode development

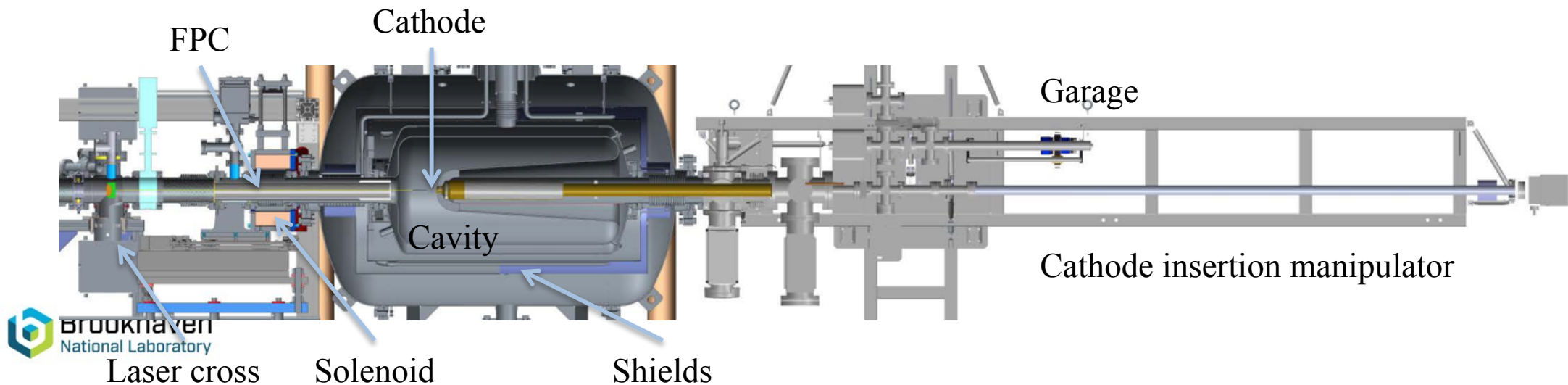
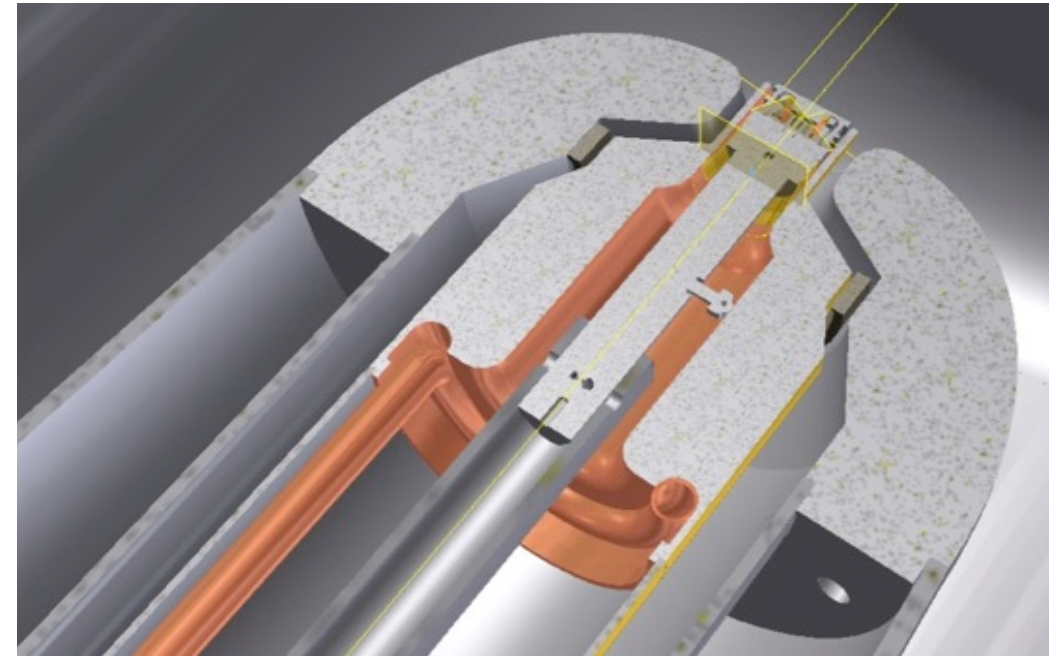
- Bi-alkali antimonide cathodes with QE up to 9%

DC photo-electron gun for LEReC

- Built by Cornell and installed at RHIC IR2
- 400 kV operation
- 30 mA CW current demonstrated, plan for higher

SRF photo-electron gun for CeC

- High brightness: 1.56 MeV, 0.5 nC and 0.3 μm
- High bunch charge: up to 10 nC
- CW operation at 80 kHz with little QE drop
- High current operation limited by FPC



Early Career Award 2021 Mengjia Gaowei

“Cathode R&D for high-intensity electron source
in support of EIC”

Objectives:

- Improve quantum efficiency with reproducible single crystal photocathode material
- Upgrade the cathode growth chamber with offline characterization capabilities by incorporating a reflection high energy electron diffraction (RHEED) system
- Develop the capability to transfer cathodes between the initial growth chamber, the materials diagnostic tools and the chamber for high current damage analysis and emittance measurement
- Test the traditionally grown and single crystal cathodes at high emission current ~ 100 mA
- Evaluate various protective mechanisms including 2-D material encapsulation and nanostructure enhancement, for high current performance



Electron-Ion Collider

BNL-JLab partnership with national and international contribution
sited at BNL - uses RHIC hadron complex
CD-1 June 2021 (Conceptual Design complete, cost range),
operation 2032 (planned)

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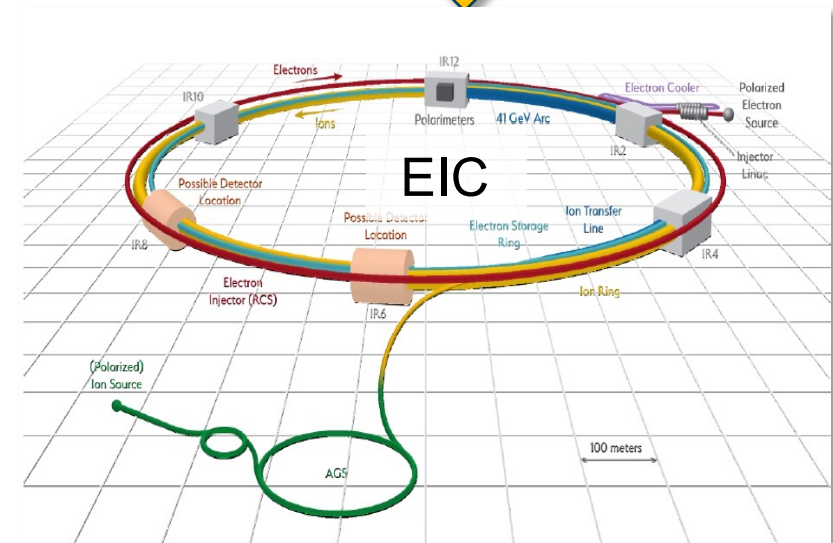
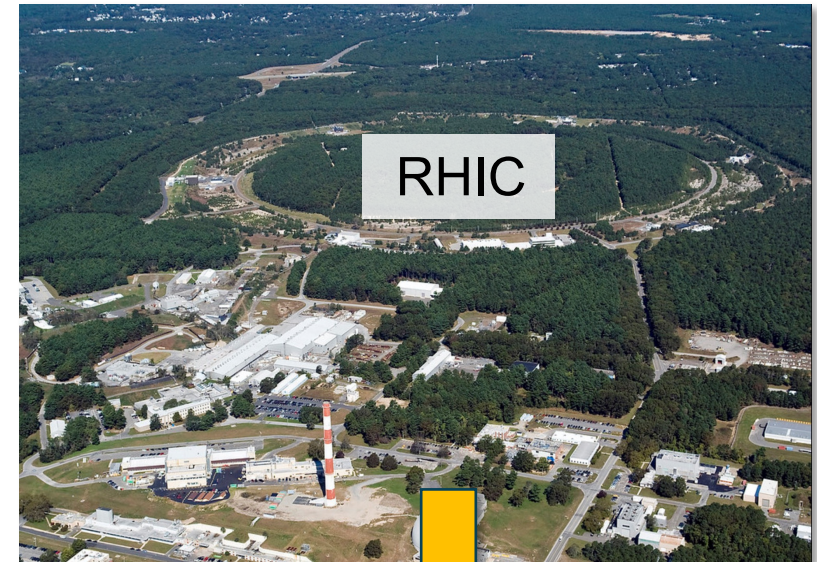
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