

# Fixed Targets physics @ Nuclotron

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# Nuclotron – the JINR basic facility in HEP

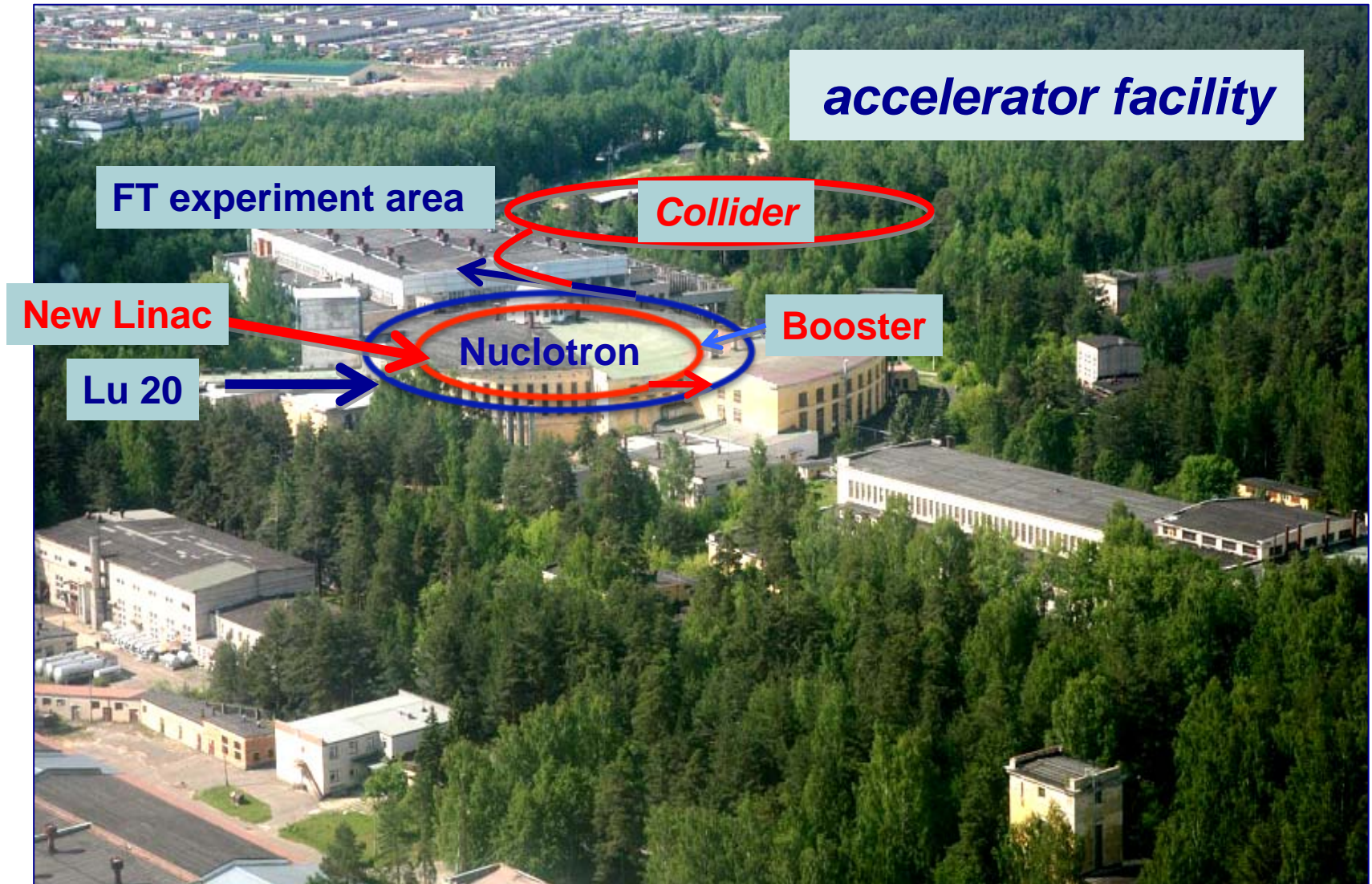
- ❑ *in operation since 1993*  
*in Veksler & Baldin Laboratory of High Energy Physics (VBLHEP)*
- ❑ based on the unique technology of  
**super-conducting fast cycling magnets** *developed in JINR*
- ❑ provides proton, **polarized** deuteron & **multi charged** ion beams

## Nuclotron development plans:

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|--|-------------|
| ❑ Nuclotron-M ( <i>vac., PS, orbit corr.</i> ) | <b>2010</b> |
| ❑ Nuclotron-N ( <i>Krion-6, LU-20, RF</i> )    | <b>2012</b> |
| ❑ Nuclotron-N* ( <i>New Linac, Booster</i> )   | <b>2013</b> |

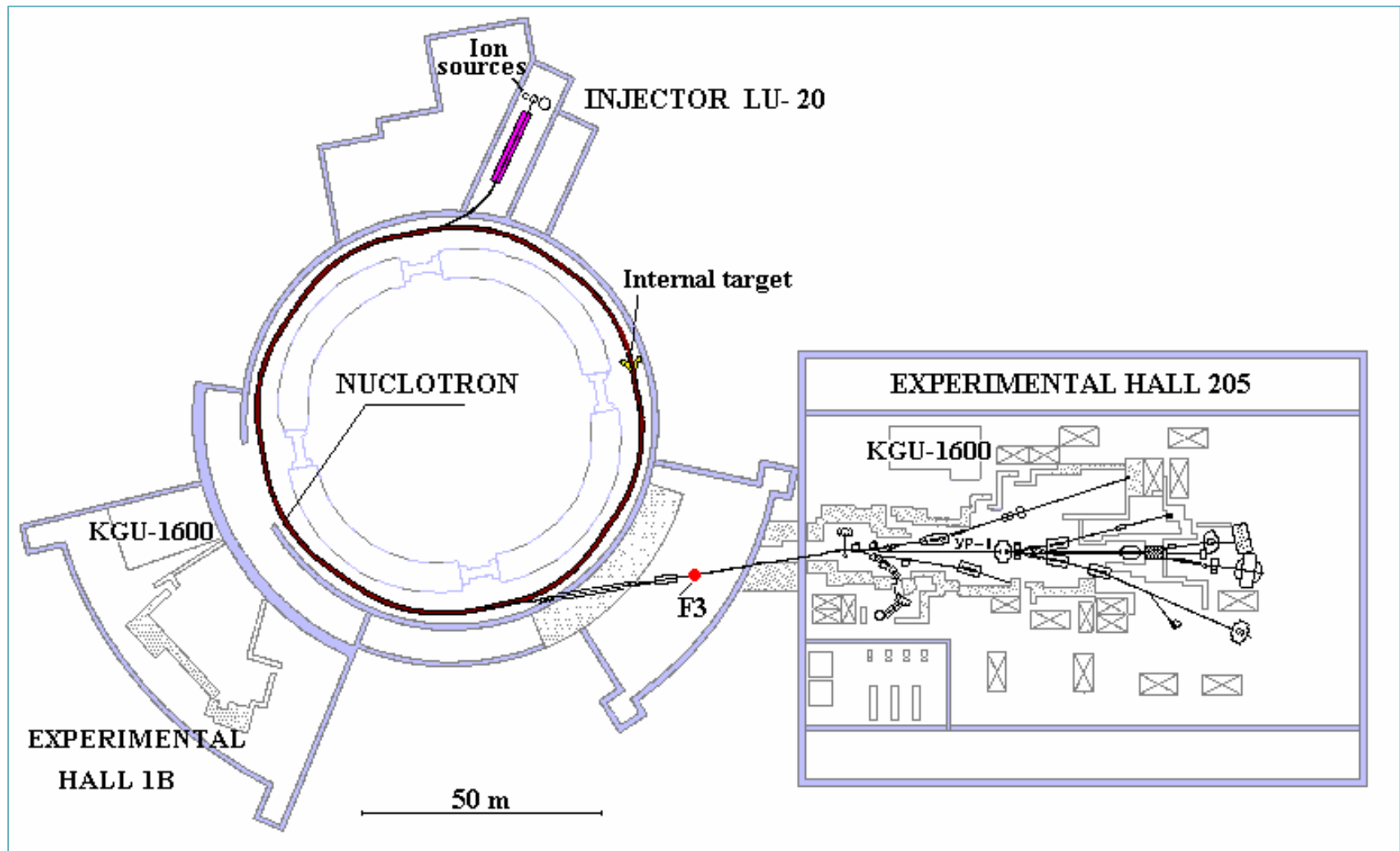


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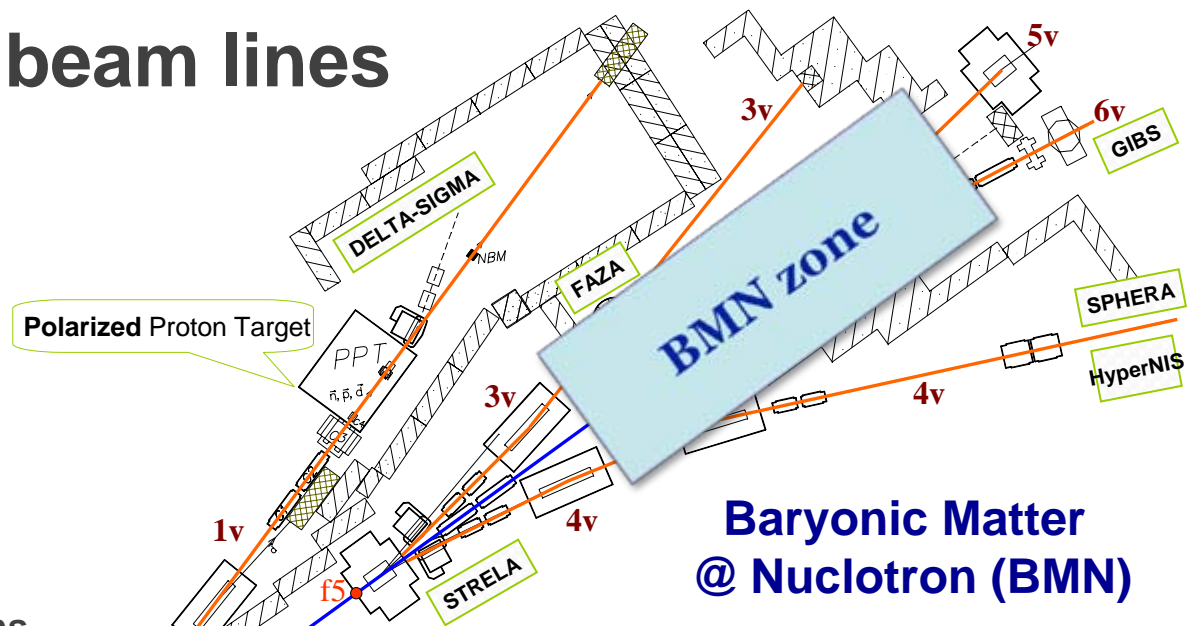
# The plan of Nuclotron and experimental zones



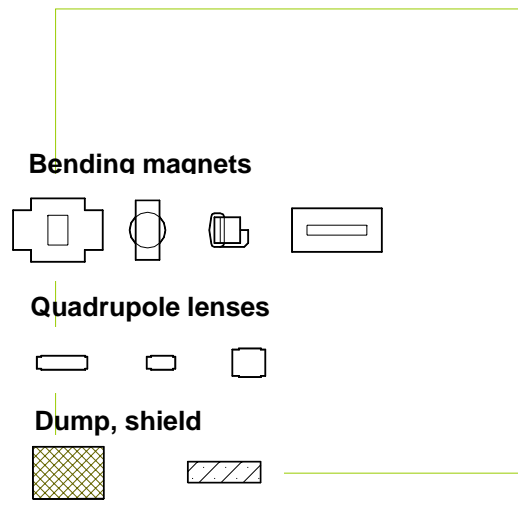
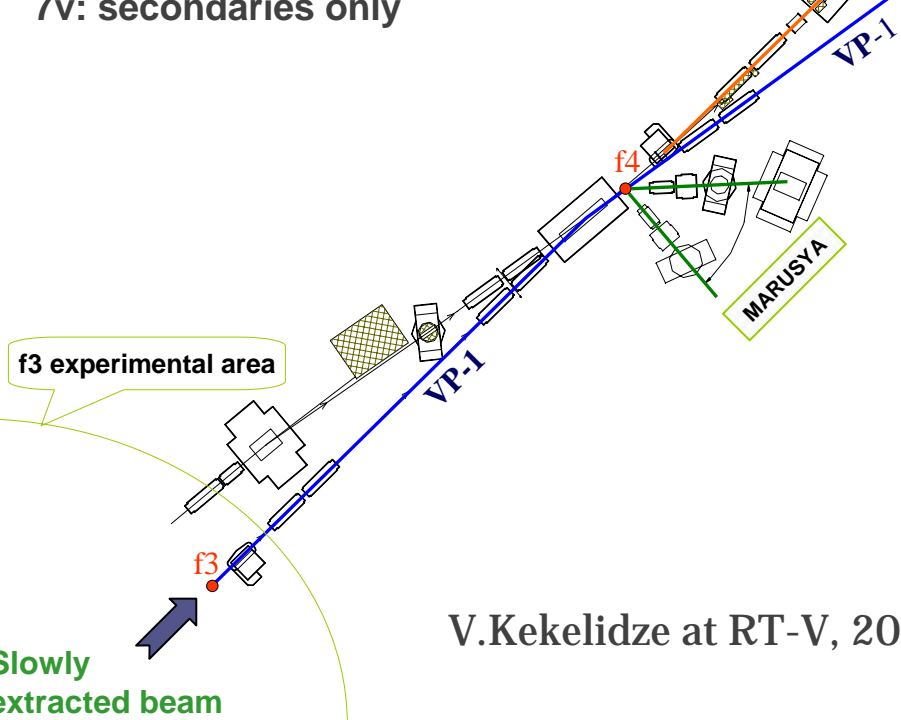
# Nuclotron external beam lines

Lines	$P_{\min}$ --- GeV/c ---	$P_{\max}$	$I_{\max}$ p/s
• VP-1	≈ 2	15	$10^{11}$
• 1v	---,---	9	$10^7$
• 3v	---,---	9	$10^8$
• 4v	---,---	9	$10^8$
• 5v	---,---	12	$10^6$
• 6v	---,---	12	$10^6$
• 7v	0.3	2	$10^6$

Notes: momentum is given for protons,  
intensity is limited by the protection shield,  
7v: secondaries only



**Baryonic Matter  
@ Nuclotron (BMN)**



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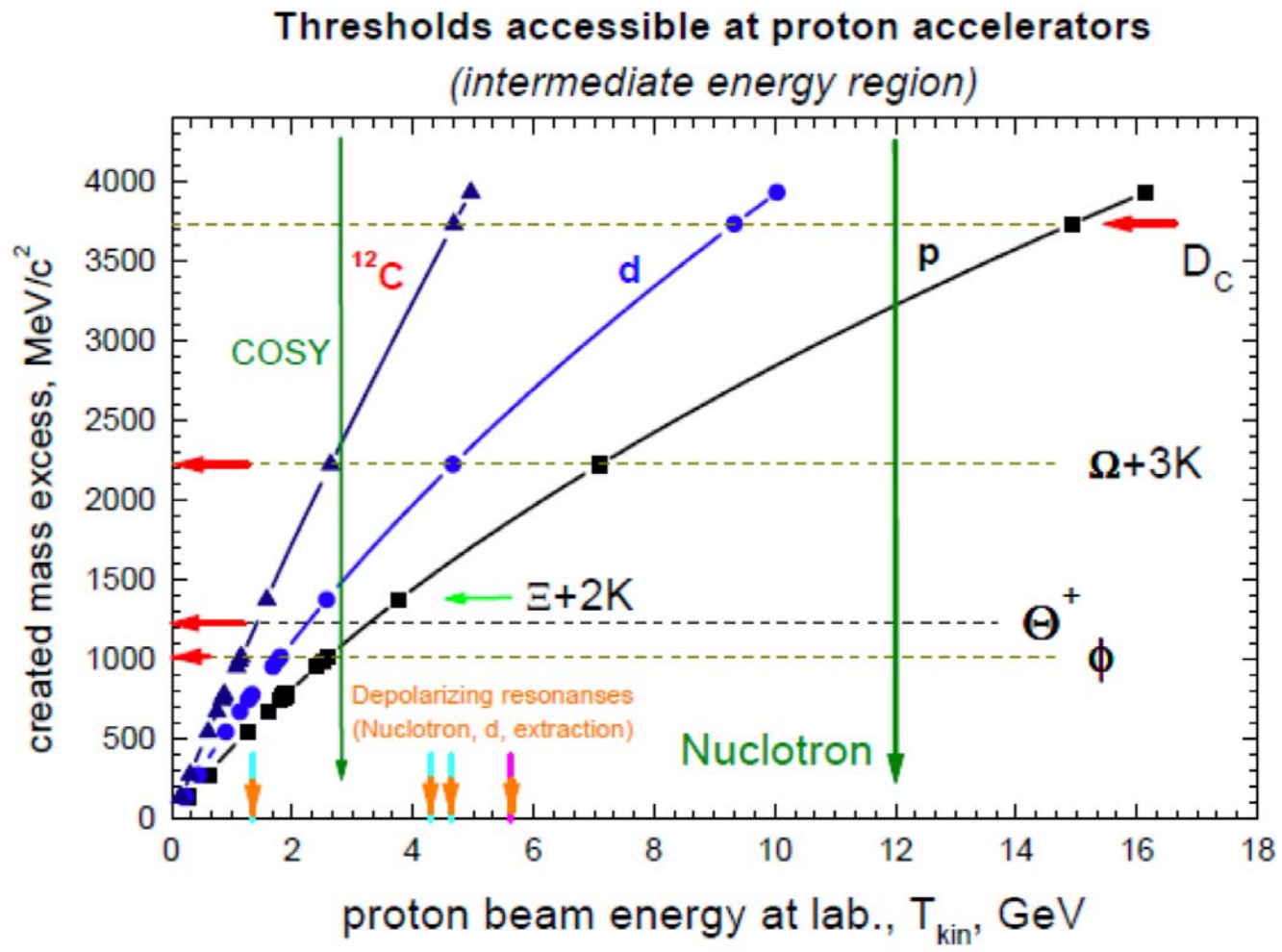
Experiments at **Nuclotron-N\*** could cover the energy range between **SIS-18** and **AGS**

Extracted beam	Max $T_{\text{kin}}$ , GeV/u
proton ( $Z/A=1$ )	12.0
deuteron ( $Z/A=1/2$ )	6.0
Au ( $Z/A=0.4$ )	4.56

The various beams extracted from Nuclotron are *(will be)* available:

protons, deuterons, neutrons, ions (up to **Au**),  
polarized protons & deuterons  
& (in principle) polarized neutrons

Physics program is complementary to ones at **NICA/MPD**, **SPD**



## ➤ **BMN** (Bronic Matter @ Nuclotron)

The physics at **BNM** includes:

### □ **AA-interactions**

- *particle production, including sub-threshold production;*
- *studies of particle (collective) flows,*  
*even-by-event fluctuations, correlations*
- *phase space distribution of **p, n, pi, K, hyperons,***  
***light nuclear fragments, vector mesons, resonances***
- *ratios of yields (**pi/K**) in different kinematic regions*

### □ **pA, nA, dA interactions in direct & inverse (Ap, Ad) kinematics**

- *to get a “reference” data set for comparison with **AA***
- *to study particle modifications in hadronic matter*
- *to study of polarization effects in particle production*  
*off nuclear target by polarized **d, p, n.***



- **FAZA-3** (running experiment, physics complementary to BMN)
  - study of phase transition: “liquid-fog”  $\leftrightarrow$  “liquid-gas”
  - study of cold dense baryonic matter with a special cumulative trigger
  - correlation experiments on nuclear multifragmentation  
in coincidence with cumulative neutrals (including pions & photons)
  
- **HyperNIS** (study of strangeness in nuclei & nucleons)
  - study of lightest hyper-nuclei & their properties
  - search for effects of hidden strangeness in nucleon
  - study of mechanisms of strangeness production near thresholds  
& low energy parameters for hyperon-nucleon interactions
  - study of binary reactions like  $pd \rightarrow 3\text{He} + \text{meson}$  ( $\pi, \eta, \omega, \phi$ ) etc.  
using polarized **d** & **n** beams
  - study of strangeness propagation in hadronic medium  
(direct & inverse kinematics)
  - study of *K*-mesons in nuclear medium

➤ *Spin physics at Nuclotron:*

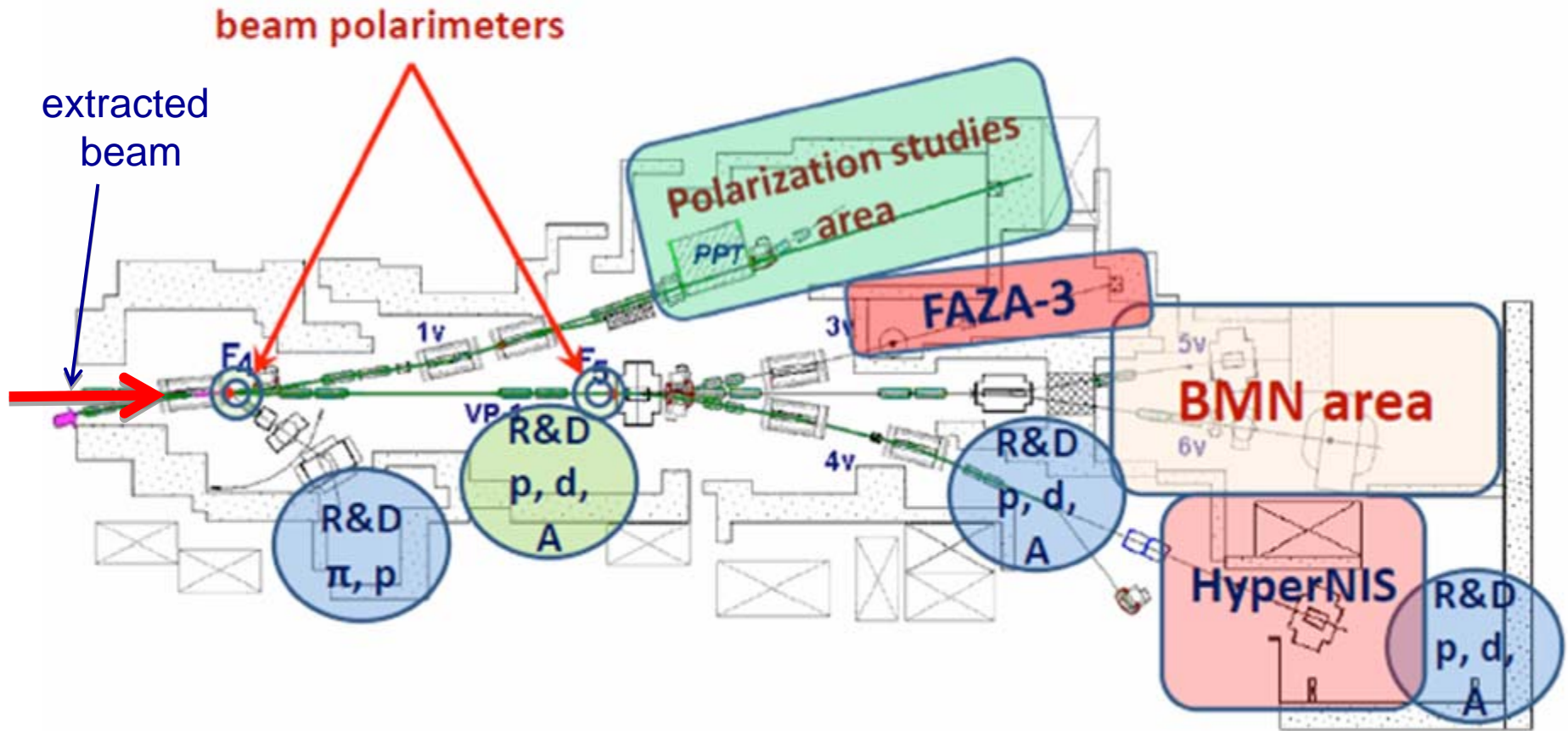
- *Structure of light nuclei using spin-dependent observables  
(analyzing powers, spin-spin correlations)*
- *Polarization effects in sub-threshold particle production*
- *Polarization effects (asymmetries, spin-spin correlations)  
in inclusive particle production ( $\pi$ ,  $K$ , hyperons etc.)  
in dependence on transverse momentum  
using polarized beams polarized target*
- *Polarization effects (asymmetries) in meson production  
in “cumulative” region*
- *Polarization effects in elastic & binary reactions  
(to complete the world NN data base)*
- *Use of polarized beams to calibrate polarimeters  
for multi-GeV region for other experiments*

# Baryonic Matter @ Nuclotron (BMN)

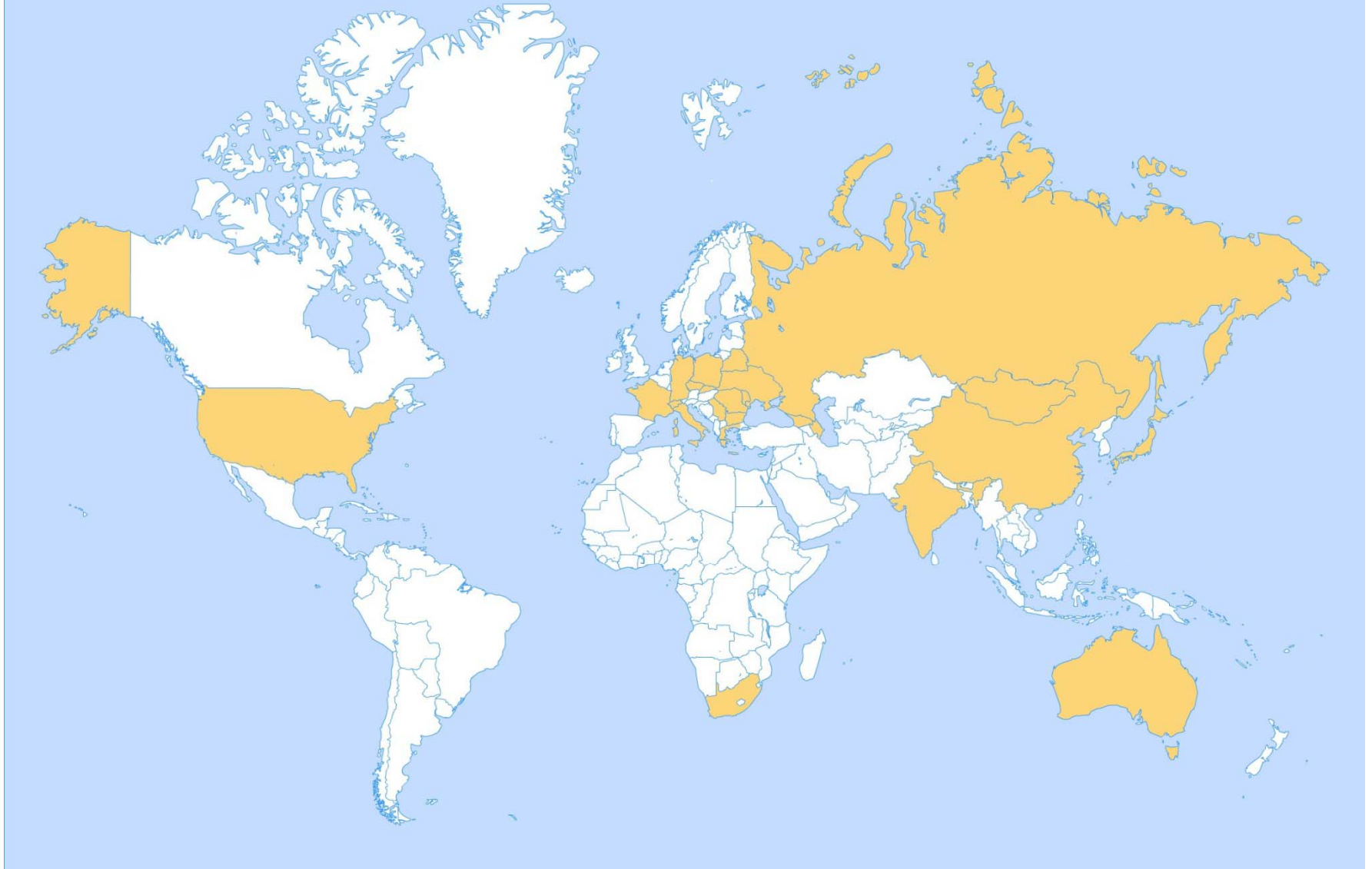
## *Schedule (preliminary)*

- ❑ Start of project preparation 2010
- ❑ presentation for the consideration at PAC 2011
- ❑ Experimental area preparation 2012  
*major sub-detectors for the starting kit  
are prototyped and mounted*
- ❑ DMN starting kit commissioning 2013
- ❑ Start of physics runs 2014

# Fixed Target Experiment Area (bld. 205)



# Nuclotron/NICA/MPD/SPD cooperation



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# Summary

- ❑ Physics program to study baryonic matter at Nuclotron **Fixed Target** facility **has started** to develop - *complementary to ones at **NICA/MPD, SPD***
- ❑ The 1<sup>st</sup> stage of **BMN** could start running in 2014
- ❑ Some extracted beams are available already now *for both: **physics & facility tests***
- ❑ The interested groups **are invited** *to prepare proposals*

**Thank you**

# Spares

**Physical program of experiments at extracted Nuclotron beams has 2 blocks:**

**before NICA starts to operate (*considered here*)  
after start of experiments with NICA/MPD**

**Therefore, as the main directions, the following options are being considered:**

**study of dense baryonic matter at temperatures up to 100 MeV,  
(multi)-strangeness (open and hidden) production in dense  
baryonic matter,**

**modification of particle properties in dense nuclear matter.**

**The corresponding multi-purpose setup (Baryonic Matter at  
Nuclotron, or BMN)**

**will be used as the main instrument.**

**Some of experiments presently running in the building 205  
could be used for some specific physics tasks**

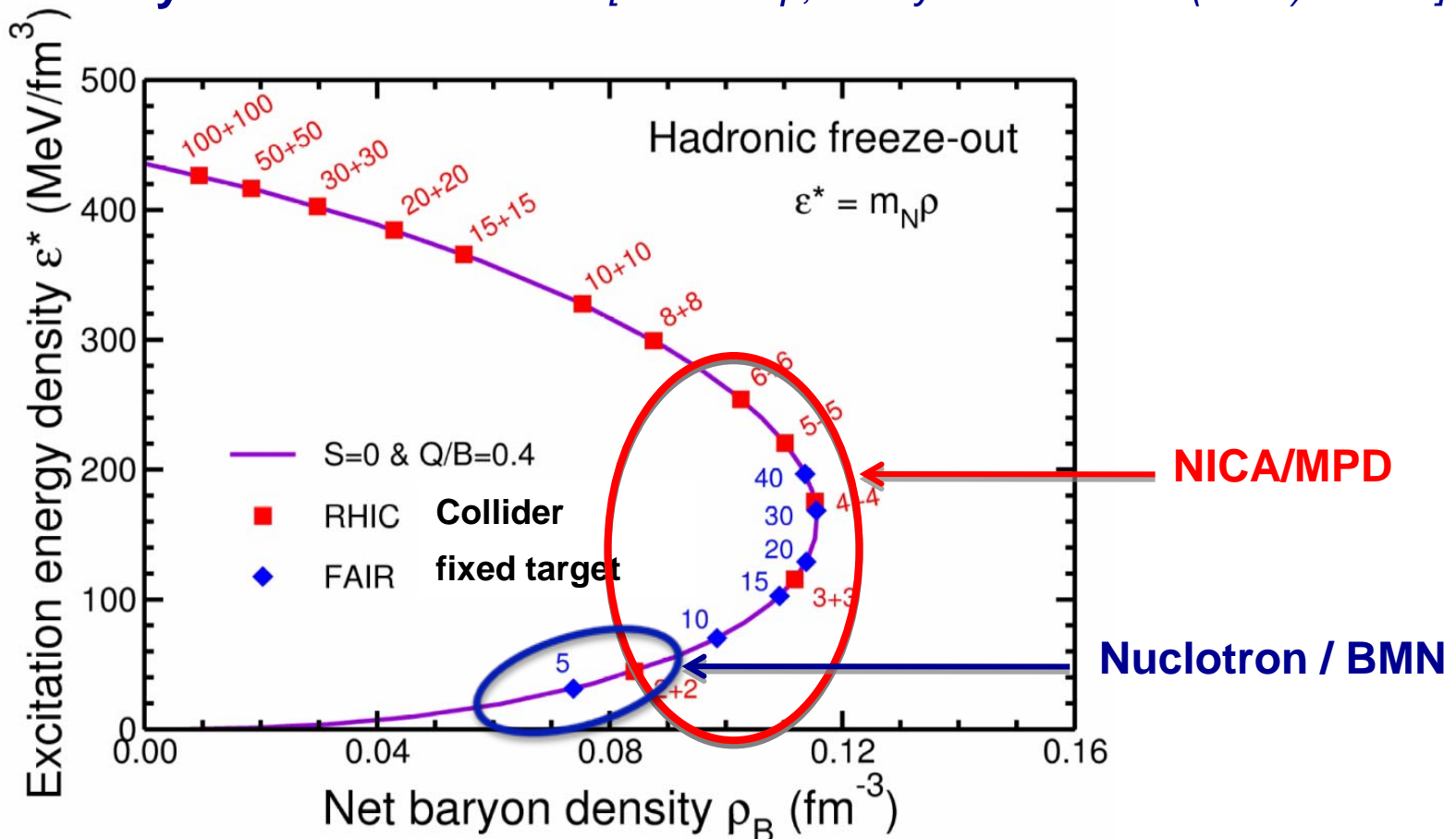
# NICA energy region

J. Cleymans, M. Gazdzicki, M. Gorenstein, A. Sissakian, A. Sorin, V. Toneev, G. Zinovjev & others: *an optimal way to reach the highest possible baryon density*



heavy ion collision at  $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 4 - 11 \text{ GeV/u}$

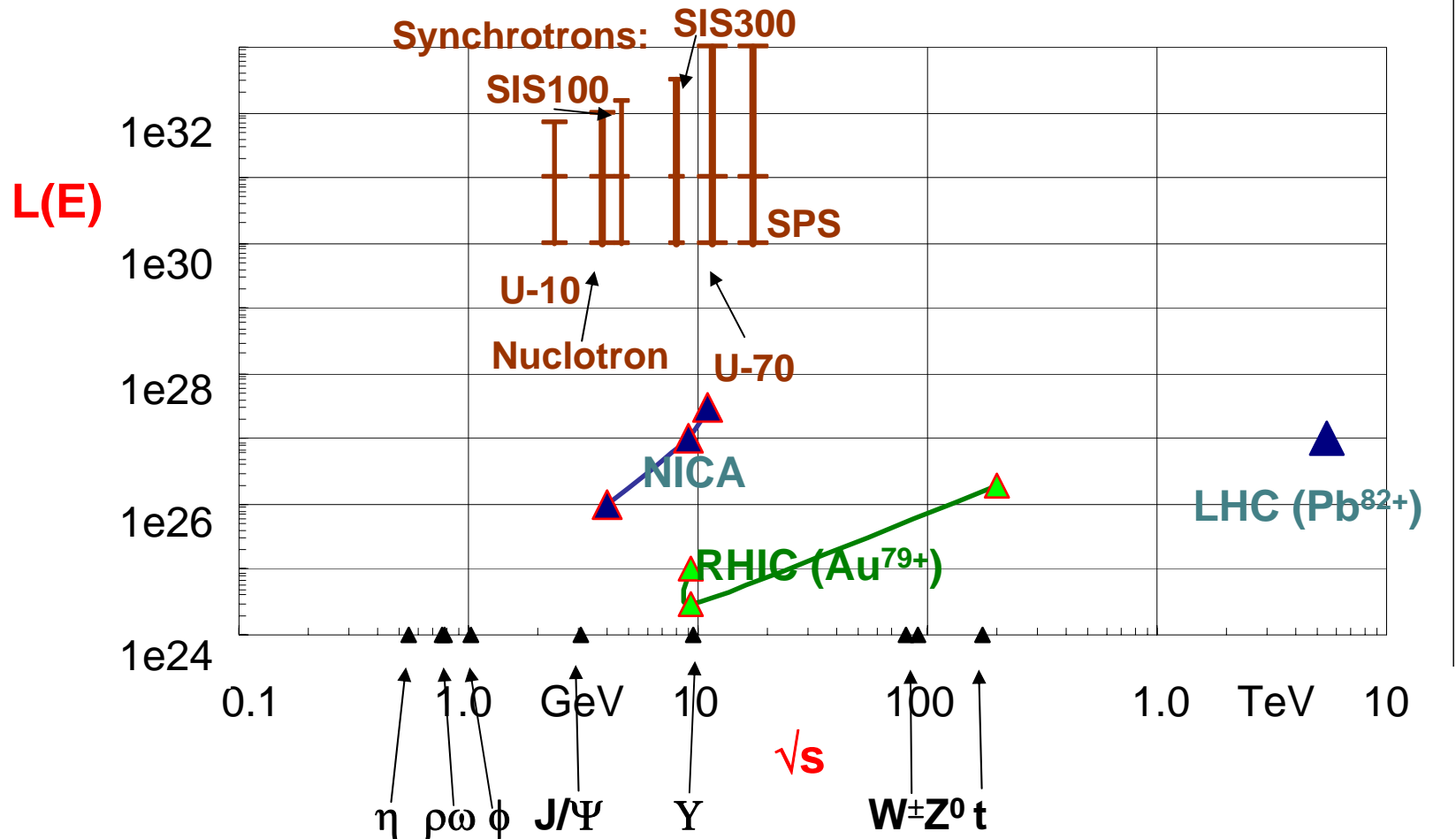
**Baryon density in A+A collisions** [J. Randrup, J. Cleymans PR C74 (2006)047901]





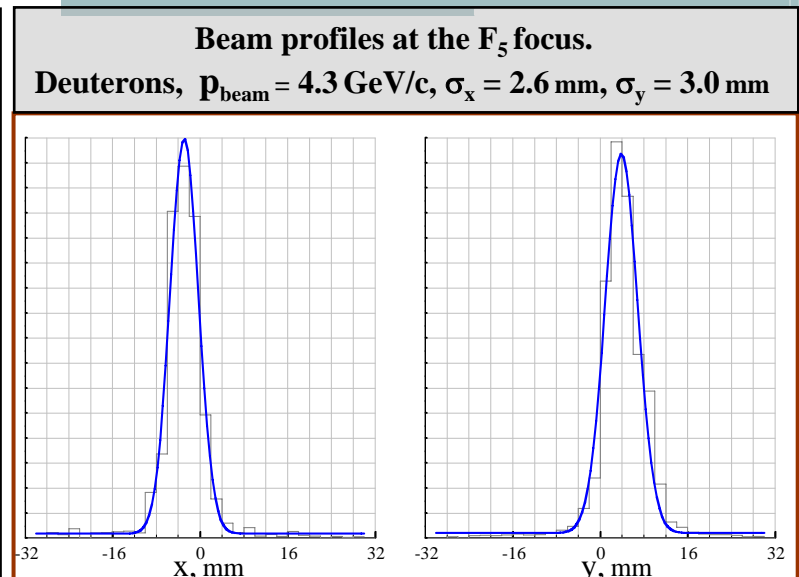
# Relativistic Nuclear Physics

## Colliders & Synchrotrons: Luminosity vs Energy ( $\sqrt{s}$ )



# Nuclotron slow extraction

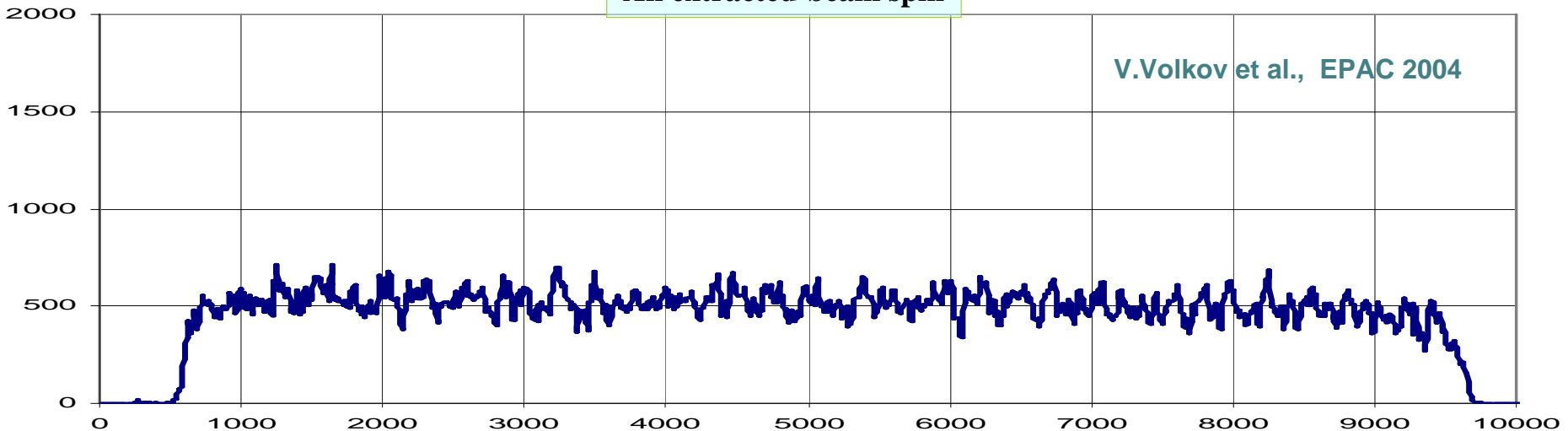
Parameter	@	Units	Value
Momentum range	$Z/A = 1/2$	Gev/c/amu	0.6 – 6.8
Momentum spread, $\sigma$		%	0.04 – 0.08
Extraction time		sec	10
Beam emittance	$P_{\max}$	mm·mr	$2\pi$
Beam size in a waist, $\sigma$	$P_{\max}$	mm	$\leq 1$
Extraction efficiency		%	$> 90$
Beams	$p, d, d\hat{+}, \alpha, {}^6\text{Li}, {}^{10,11}\text{B}, {}^{12}\text{C}, {}^{14}\text{N}, {}^{24}\text{Mg}, {}^{56}\text{Fe}$		



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An extracted beam spill

V.Volkov et al., EPAC 2004

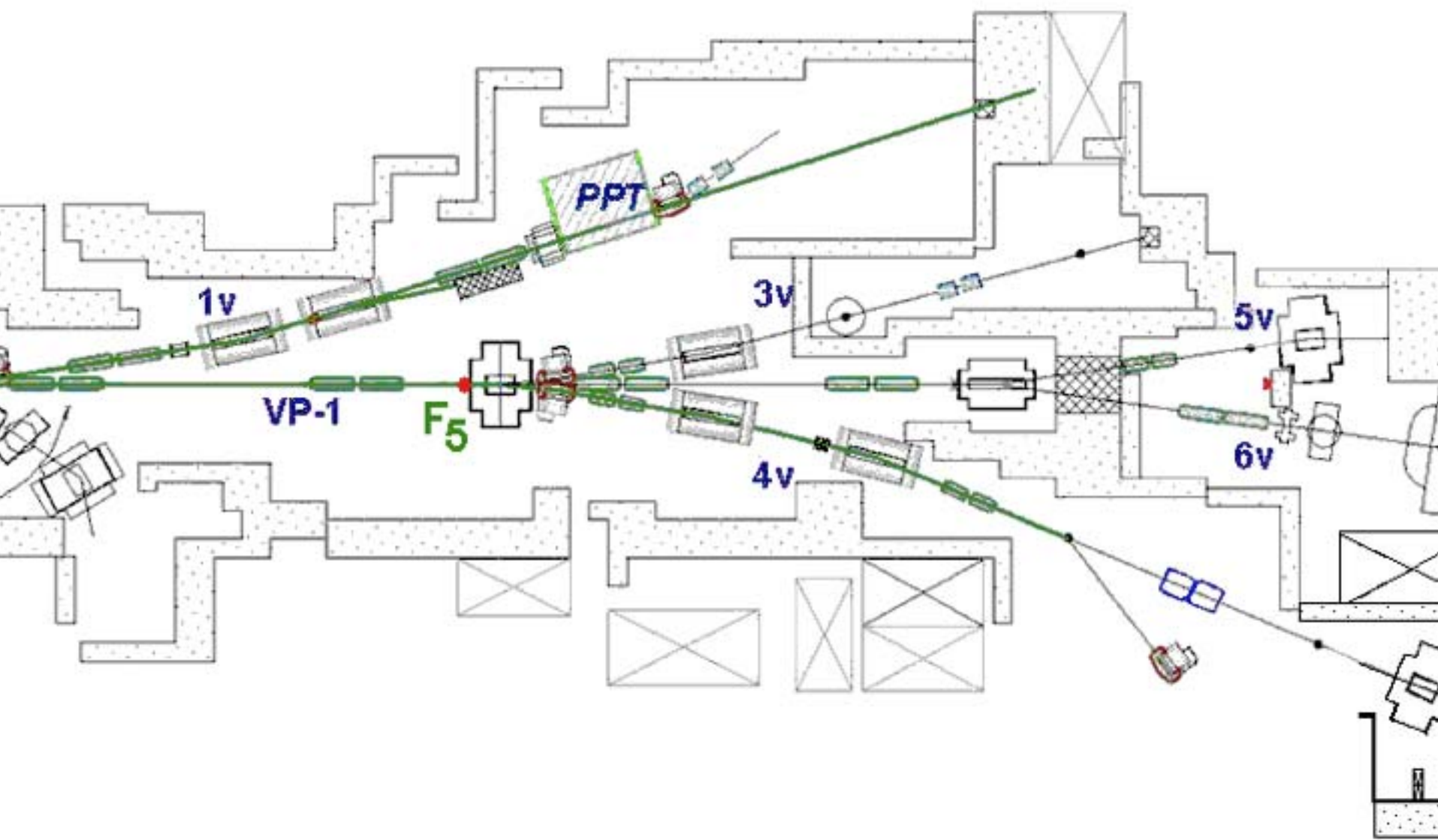


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Beam	Nuclotron beam intensity (particle per cycle)				
	Current	Ion source type	Nuclotron-M (2010)	Nuclotron-N (2012)	New ion source + booster (2013)
<b>p</b>	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	Duoplasmatron	$8 \cdot 10^{10}$	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
<b>d</b>	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	--- ,, ---	$8 \cdot 10^{10}$	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
<b><sup>4</sup>He</b>	$8 \cdot 10^8$	--- ,, ---	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1 \cdot 10^{12}$
<b>d↑</b>	$2 \cdot 10^8$	ABS (“Polaris”)	$2 \cdot 10^8$	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$ ( <i>SPI</i> )	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$ ( <i>SPI</i> )
<b><sup>7</sup>Li</b>	$8 \cdot 10^8$	Laser	$5 \cdot 10^9$	$3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$5 \cdot 10^{11}$
<b><sup>11,10</sup>B</b>	$1 \cdot 10^{9,8}$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^{9,8}$	$2 \cdot 10^{10,9}$	
<b><sup>12</sup>C</b>	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$2 \cdot 10^{10}$	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
<b><sup>24</sup>Mg</b>	$2 \cdot 10^7$	--- ,, ---	$2 \cdot 10^8$	$1 \cdot 10^9$	
<b><sup>14</sup>N</b>	$1 \cdot 10^7$	ESIS (“Krión-2”)	$3 \cdot 10^7$	$3 \cdot 10^8$	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
<b><sup>24</sup>Ar</b>	$1 \cdot 10^9$	--- ,, ---	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$2 \cdot 10^{10}$	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
<b><sup>56</sup>Fe</b>	$2 \cdot 10^6$	--- ,, ---	$6 \cdot 10^6$	$1 \cdot 10^8$	$5 \cdot 10^{10}$
<b><sup>84</sup>Kr</b>	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$10^5$	$1 \cdot 10^7$	$1 \cdot 10^9$
<b><sup>124</sup>Xe</b>	$1 \cdot 10^4$	--- ,, ---	$10^5$	$1 \cdot 10^7$	$1 \cdot 10^9$
<b><sup>197</sup>Au</b>	-	--- ,, ---		$1 \cdot 10^7$	$1 \cdot 10^9$

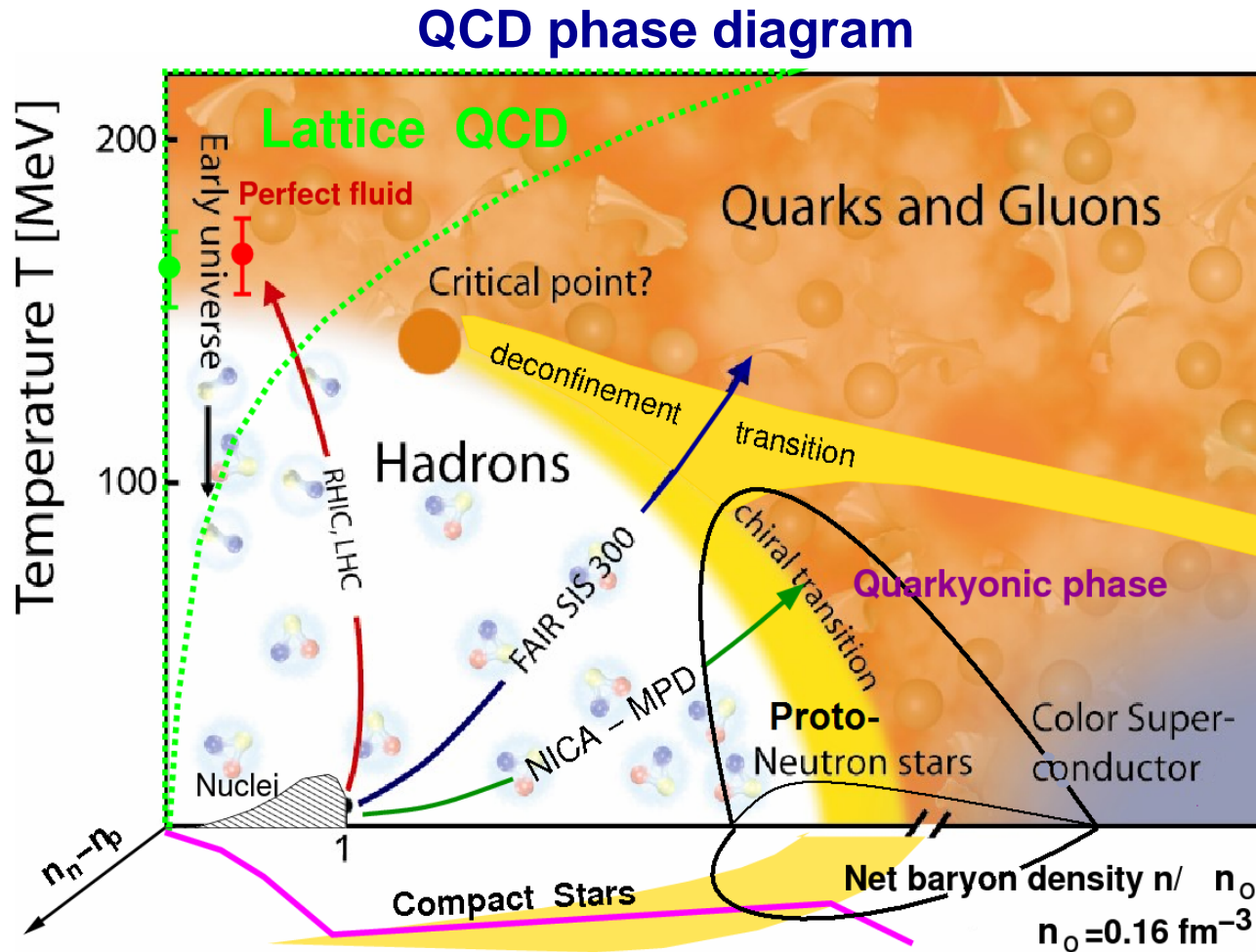






# NICA physics program

Creation of the deconfined QGP state in HI collisions,  
study of fundamental properties of QCD in various regions of QCD PD



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