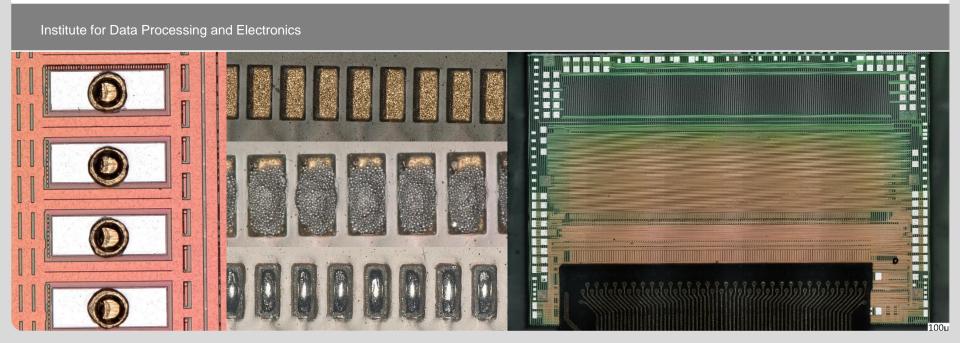


# Novel production method for large double-sided microstrip detectors of the CBM STS

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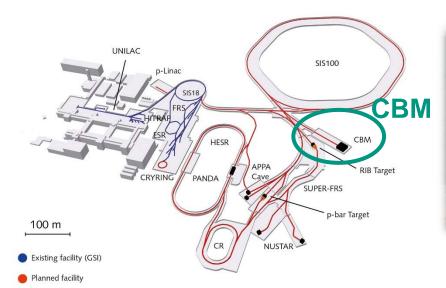
### **Outline**



- Compressed Baryonic Matter (CBM) experiment @ FAIR
- Silicon Tracking System (STS)
- Detector module conception and its challenges
- Detector module production based on TAB bonding
- Novel detector module production approach based on Au stud solder bump bonding

# Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research (FAIR)







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- CBM one of the major scientific programs at FAIR
- highest baryon densities at still moderate temperatures



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Link to drone video of FAIR construction site



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Experiments

# **CBM** experiment at FAIR





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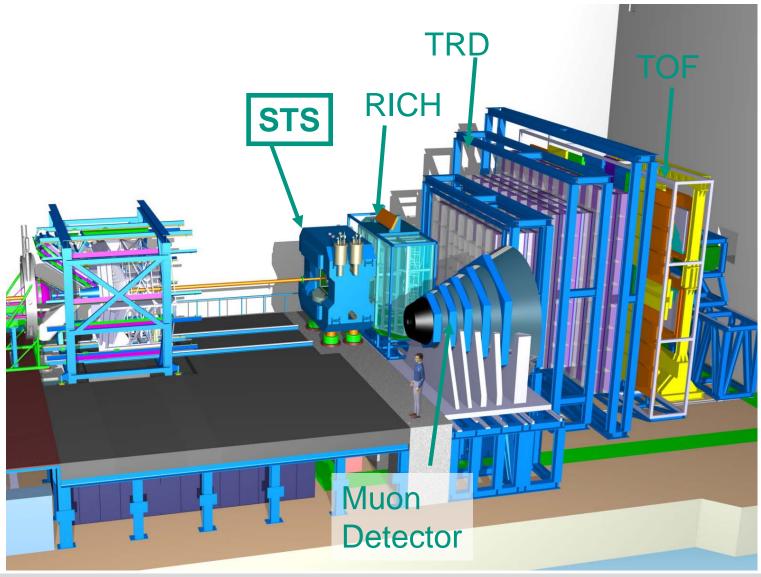
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- Heavy ions, especially Au
- High rate, fixed target

- Unprecedented precision and statistics
- Exploration of new energy range

### **CBM** detectors

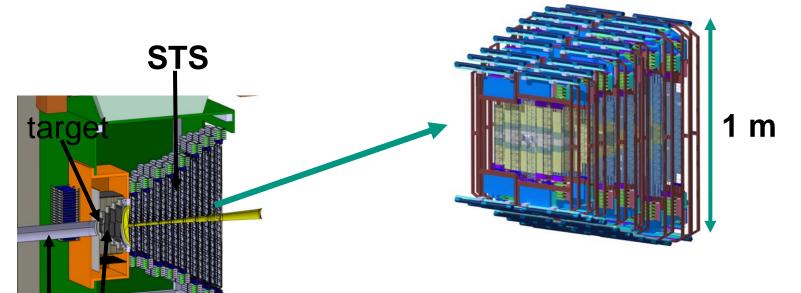




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# **STS** system view





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Eight tracking stations 0.3 m to 1 m downstream of the target

STS

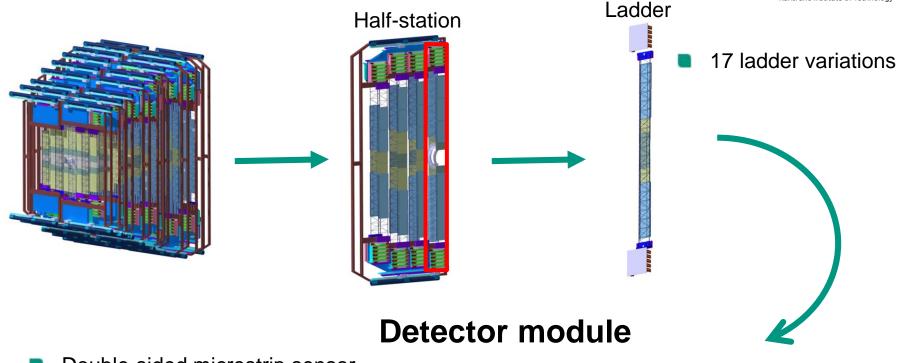
- Total sensitive area  $\approx 4 \text{ m}^2$
- Very low material budget
  - per station:  $X/X_0 < 1\%$
- Lifetime fluence  $1 \times 10^{14} \, n_{eq} cm^{-2}$

MVD

beam

### **STS** structure

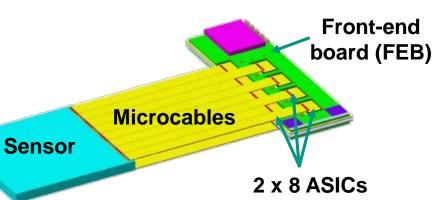




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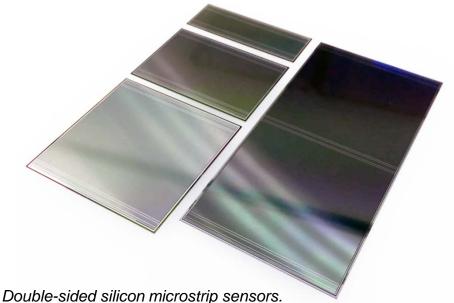
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- Double-sided microstrip sensor
  - Pitch: 58µm
  - 2 x 1024 channels
- 2 x 8/16 low mass microcables
- 2 x 8 STS-XYTER ASICs
- 2 FEB-8



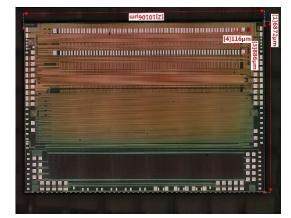
# **Module components**





Double-sided silicon microstrip sensors.

Thickness: 300 μm. Sizes: 62 mm x 22, 42, 62, 124 mm



STS-XYTER readout ASIC with 128 channels. Size: 7 mm x 10 mm



FEB-8 readout board dummy



Low mass microcables with varying length. Top: single cable. Bottom: sheet of 8 cables. Pitch:116 µm

### **STS** numbers



Part	Quantity
Stations	8
Ladders	106
Modules	896
Frontend boards (FEB)	1792
STS XYTER ASICs	14 336
Microcables	14 336 or 28 672
Channels	1.8 million

- Three module production centers
  - JINR (50 of 120 %), stations 1 4
  - KIT (40 of 120%), stations 5 8
  - GSI (30 of 120 %), stations 5 8
- Module production schedule: Sep. 2019 June 2021

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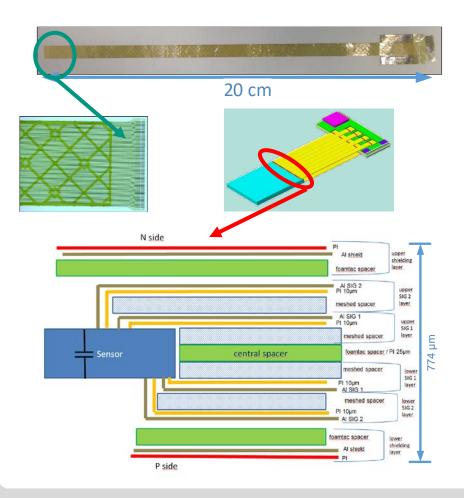
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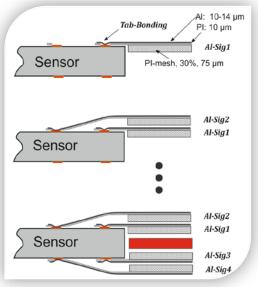
Detector finished beginning of 2024

# Module assembly: Al – Al TAB bonding



- 64 channels with 116 µm pitch
- 15 μm Al on 10 μm Pl





Assembly workflow

- Capacitance < 0.5 pF/cm
- $X/X_0 \sim 0.03 \%$
- Room temperature process
- 32 cables per sensor
- Partial reworking

# Module assembly: TAB bonding @ GSI

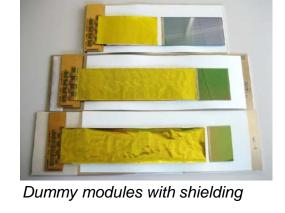




Sensor-side bonding



Glueing ROCs on FEB-8

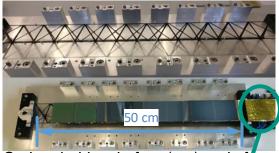




ROC-side bonding



- Well-established, several full modules with different cable lengths and sensor sizes built and integrated into light-weight carbon ladder frame
- Manual procedure
- Single supplier in Kharkov, Ukraine



Carbon ladders before (top) and affer (bottom) module mounting

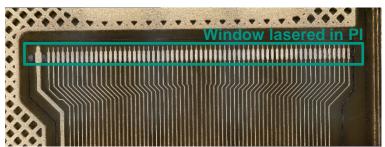


FEB-8 boards

# Module assembly: Cu - Al TAB bonding



- More industry experience with Cu
- Combining several cables possible due to higher yield
  - Less complex assembly
- Cu is hard, can destroy bond pad
- Cu Al TAB bonding requires temperature, which leads to increased oxidation
  - Idea: TAB bond on Au bumps



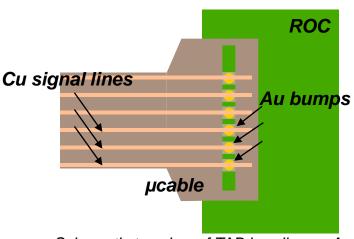
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Copper microcable designed for TAB bonding



TAB bonding jig



Schematic top view of TAB bonding on Au bumps

# Novel approach: Gold stud – solder process



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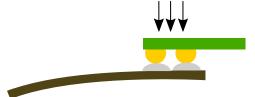


4. flip chip

2. place bumps on chip and solder paste on cable



5. thermocompression bonding



3. reflow

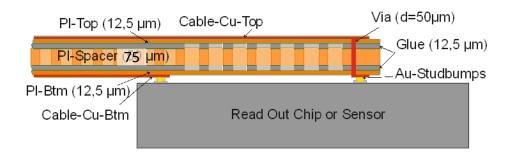


6. underfill

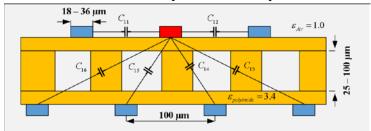


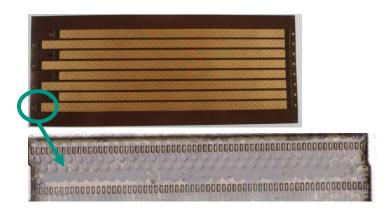
# Copper microcables for Au-solder process

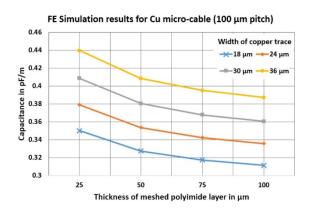












- Alternative assembly solution
- Higher degree of automization
- Reworking of full cable

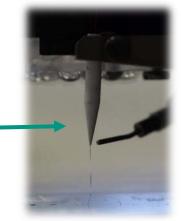
- Double layered: half amount of cables needed
- Capacity ~ 0.44pF/cm
- $X/X_0 \sim 0.05 \%$

# **ROC** and sensor side: Gold stud bumping

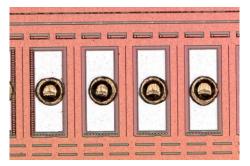


- Iconn ball wire bonder
  - 20 bumps/s
- STS parameters
  - 25 µm Au wire
  - Bump diameter 60 µm
  - Bump height: 30 µm

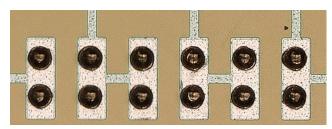




Capillary with Au wire



Gold bumps (diameter 60 µm) on STSXYTER



Double balls to improve mechanical strength



Au bump on top of another Au bump



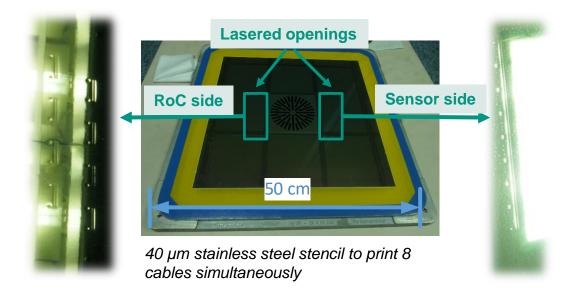
Fast, flexible, reliable

# Cable side: Solder printing and reflow





Solder printing machine



1. Bond pads with Au surface finish

2. After printing type 7 solder paste

3. After reflow of the solder paste

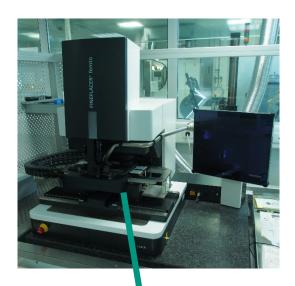




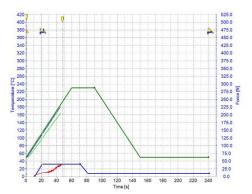


# 1st interconnection: ROCs on µcables





- Femto fineplacer flip chip machine (0.5 µm accuracy)
- ROC bonded onto µcable
- Thermocompression bonding process
  - F = 40 N
  - $T = 230 \, ^{\circ}C$



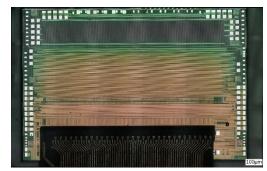
ROC-µcable bonding profile



Bonding process



Cu µcable bonded on dummy ROC



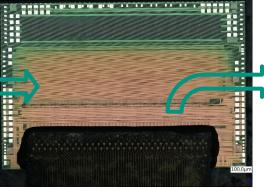
Microcable bonded on STSXYTER

# Underfill for spark protection and improved mechanical strength

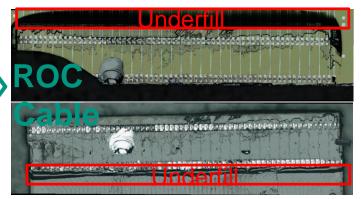








Cu cable on STSXYTER protected by underfill



ROC and cable after disconnection

- LV cable has to be protected from HV on sensor edge
- Small gap ~ 20 μm, additional obstructions by gold bumps
- First tests with Polytec EP601-LV (Viscosity: 240 mPas) are encouraging
- Optimized cable layout for underfill application foreseen

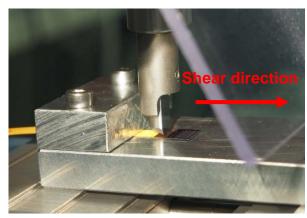


Improved cable design

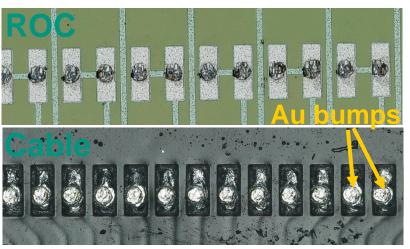
# High mechanical robustness



- Shear test: quantitative measurement of mechanical strength
- 2-3 kg shear strength without underfill
  - Ball lift-off gold bump connection is the weak link, not Au-solder
- Optimization of bumping parameters should increase mechanical strength further
- Cable torn apart outside the connection area after application of underfill



Shear test setup. Cable is clamped down firmly while the shear tool shears the RoC



Shear test reveals that all Au bumps are lifted off the ROC

# 2nd interconnection: in-house bonding machine for sensor side



- Four stepper motors  $(x,y,z,\phi)$  with sub-micron resolution
  - Bond force up to 100 N, force controlled by force sensor
- Temperature regulated heatable bond head and sensor plate

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- Top and bottom camera
- Automated vacuum control
- Syringe for underfill application

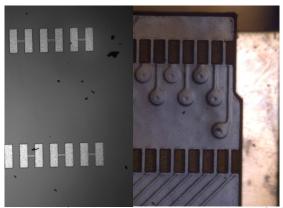
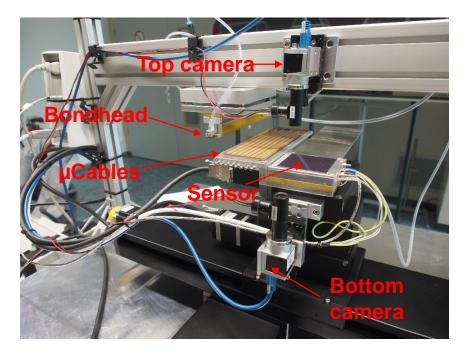


Image of sensor dummy bond pads (left) and cable bond pads (right) taken by implemented cameras



# Summary



- Very low material budget requirements for the STS force the readout electronics outside the beam aperture which leads to a complex detector module conception
- Detector module production is divided internationally between three institutes
- Al Al TAB bonding as primary interconnection technology
- A novel high-density interconnection method for large double-sided microstrip sensors has been developed
- Au stud solder process enables a new bonding technology of ASIC and sensor on flex microcable



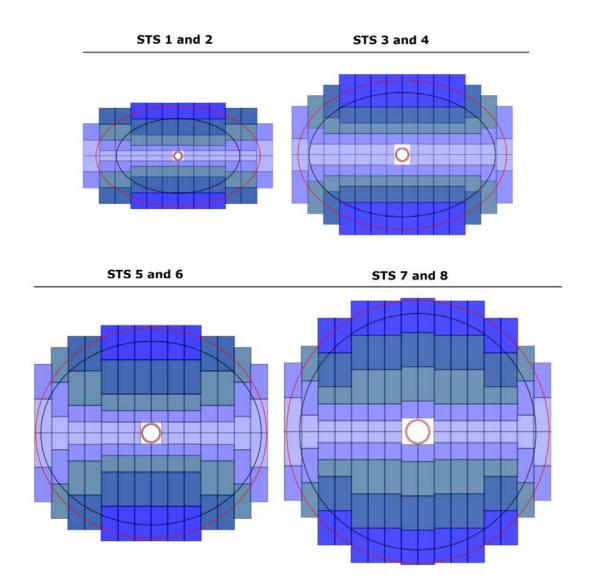
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# **Backup slides**

# **Station sizes**

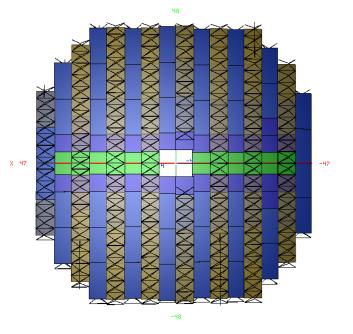


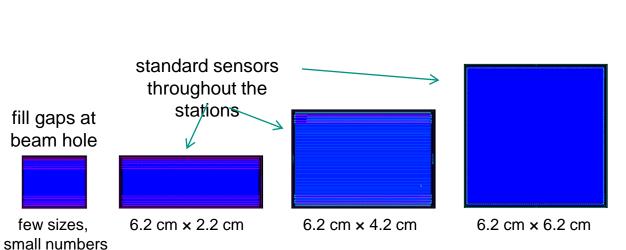


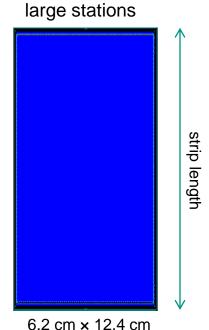
### **Sensor sizes**



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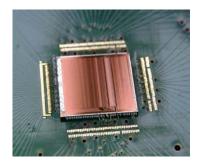






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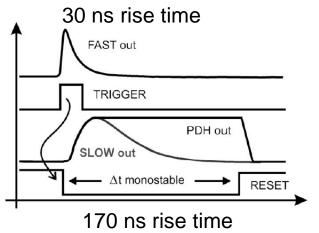


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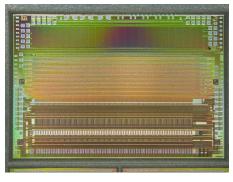
#### n-XYTER chip

- from a neutron imaging project
- used for current prototyping (v1, v2.0)

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self-triggering: channels deliver stream of ADC values above threshold + timestamp



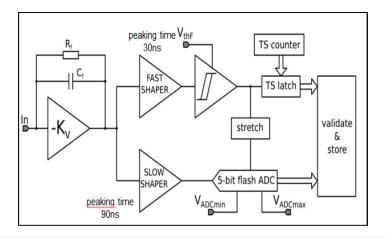
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#### STS-XYTER chip

- dedicated development for STS, now



per channel: two-stage internal trigger adapted to high capacitive load back-end GBT compatible

# Silicon Tracking System (STS) design constraints



- Coverage
  - aperture  $2.5^{\circ} < \Theta < 25^{\circ}$
- No event pile-up
- Efficient hit & track reconstruction
- Minimum granularity
  - largest read-out pitch compatible with the required spatial resolution
  - maximum strip length compatible with hit occupancy and S/N performance
- Radiation hardness
- Integration, maintenance
  - Confined space inside dipole magnet
  - Cooling
  - Extraction possibility
- Momentum resolution
  - $\Delta p/p \sim 1\%$
  - material budget per station 0.3 ~1% X<sub>0</sub>
  - Read-out electronics must be located outside the beam aperture!

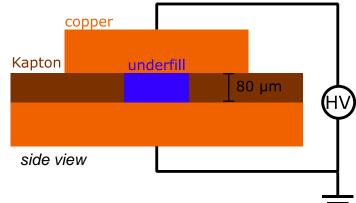
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### Underfill breakdown test



- Polytec EP601-LV
- Breakdown at ≈ 1000VDC for properly cured underfill, even with air inclusions
- ≈ 300VDC for air only





top view

# **Fundamental questions of QCD**

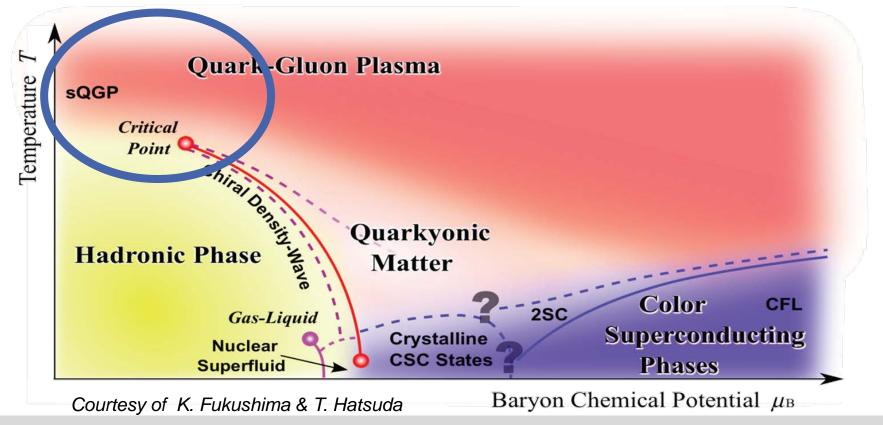


- What is the equation of state of QCD matter at high net-baryon densities, and what are the relevant degrees of freedom at these densities? (→ core collapse supernovae, neutron stars, early universe).
- Is there a phase transition from hadronic to quark-gluon matter, or a region of phase coexistence and a critical point? Do exotic QCD phases like quarkyonic matter exist?
- To what extent are the properties of hadrons modified in dense baryonic matter? Are we able to find indications of chiral symmetry restoration? (→ origin of hadron masses, i.e. of the visible universe).
- How far can we extend the chart of nuclei towards the third (strange) dimension by producing single and double strange hypernuclei? Does strange matter exist in the form of heavy multi-strange objects?

# QCD phase diagram at very high T



- N of baryons ≈ N of antibaryons; early universe
- L-QCD finds smooth crossover from hadronic matter to Quark-Gluon Plasma
- ALICE, ATLAS, CMS at LHC; STAR, PHENIX at RHIC



# **CBM** physics cases



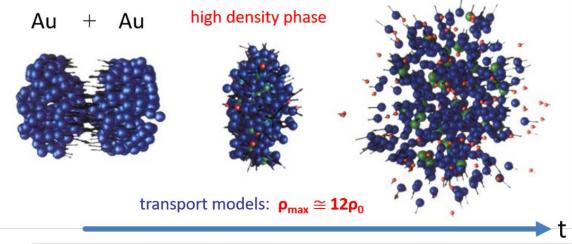
- 1) Equation-of-state of QCD matter at neutron star core densities
- 2) Phase transitions from hadronic matter to quarkyonic or partonic matter at high ρ<sub>B</sub>, phase coexistence, critical point
- 3) Chiral symmetry restoration in dense baryonic matter
- 4) Extension of the nuclear chart into the strange domain
- 5) Charm production at threshold energies in cold and hot matter

# CBM parameters

- High-rate fixed target
- High-energy nucleus-nucleus collisions  $(10^5 10^7 \text{Au-Au collisions/s})$
- SIS100: ion beam energies between 2 and 14 AGeV, protons up to 29 GeV
- SIS300: ion beam energies up to 45 AGeV, protons up to 90 GeV



# Heavy ion collisions and observables



high density and high temperatures reached on a very short time scale:  $t \approx 10^{-22}$  s (10 fm/c),  $\rho = 3.4 \cdot 10^{16}$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>,  $T = 10^{12}$  K

### Rare observables

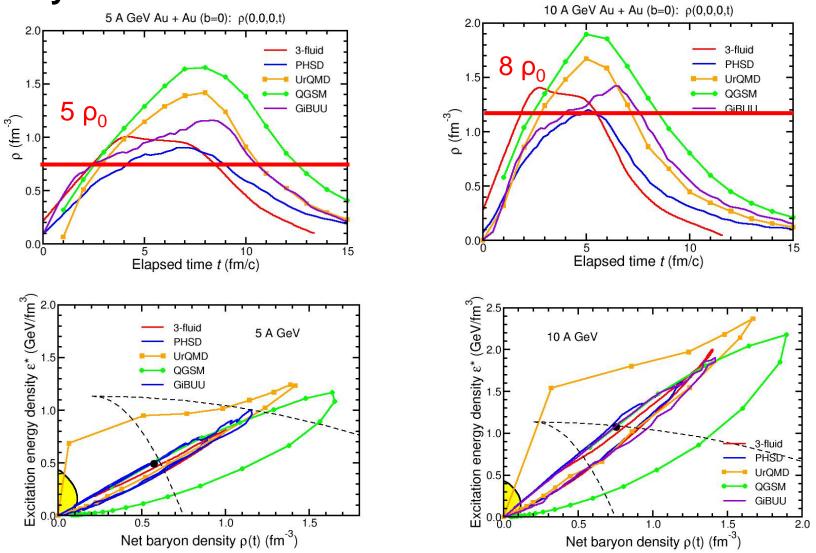
- low-mass vector mesons by di-lepton pair reconstruction;  $\rho,\omega,\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-)$
- excitation functions of multi-strange hyperons near expected phase boundary

E.g. 
$$\frac{\overline{\Omega}^+}{week} \sim 10^5 @ \sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.5 \ GeV$$

- collective flow of identified particles (π,K,p,Λ,Ξ,Ω,...)
- Single and double hyper-nuclei
- excitation function of charm production (J/ψ, D<sup>0</sup>, D<sup>±</sup>)
- Critical point search using event-by-event fluctuations of conserved quantities (Baryon number, strangeness, charge)



### Baryon densities in central Au+Au collisions

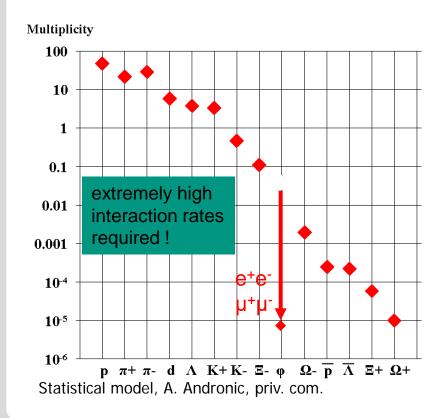


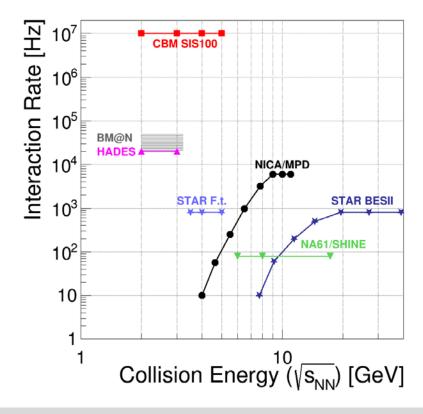
I.C. Arsene et al., Phys. Rev. C 75, 24902 (2007)

# **Experimental challenges**



- Combination of a large-acceptance fast detector and a high-speed data read-out system with high-luminosity beams.
- Rate capability is key feature to measure observables with high precision

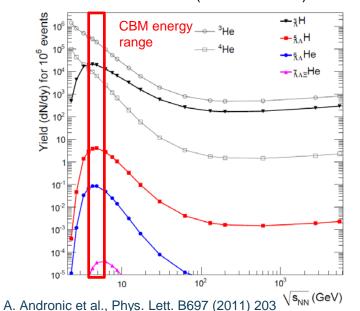




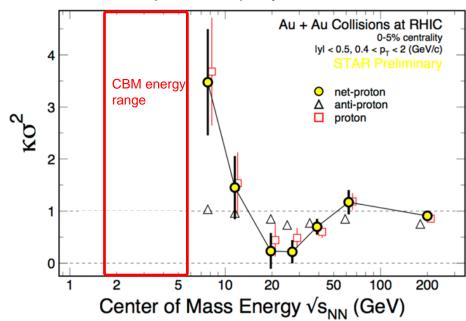
# **Discovery potential**



Hypernuclei yields at midrapidity for central collisions (thermal model)



volume-independent cumulant ratio  $\kappa\sigma^2$  of the netproton multiplicity distribution



- Maximum in SIS100 energy range
- Hydrogen and helium hypernuclei will be measured in huge amounts
- Discovery potential for light double-Λ hypernuclei

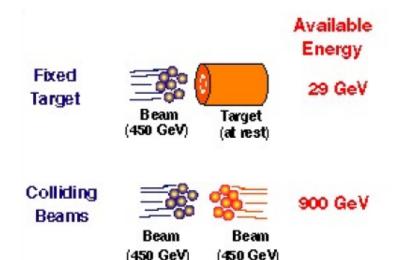
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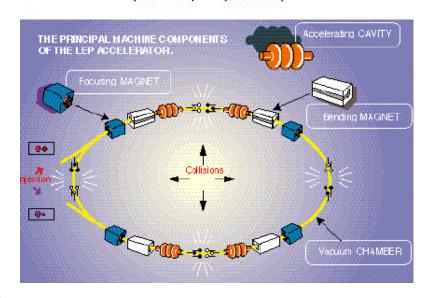


- model calculations predict the creation of strongly interacting QCD matter at extreme values of density, similar to neutron star core densities.
- opportunity to explore the QCD phase diagram in the region of high net-baryon densities, to study the equation of state, to search for phase transitions, chiral symmetry restoration, and exotic forms of (strange) QCD matter with a dedicated experiment.
- Measurement of the collective behaviour of hadrons, together with rare diagnostic probes such as multi-strange hyperons, charmed particles and vector mesons decaying into lepton pairs with unprecedented precision and statistics
- Reaction rates up to 10MHz requires very fast and radiation hard detectors, a novel data read-out and analysis concept including free streaming front-end electronics.

# Collider vs. fixed target experiments







$$s_{NN} = (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\mathbf{p_1} + \mathbf{p_2})^2$$

collider:

$$p_1 + p_2 = 0 \rightarrow \sqrt{s_{NN}} = E_1 + E_2$$

fixed target:  $E_2 = m$ ,  $\mathbf{p_2} = 0$ 

$$s_{NN} = (E_{kin} + 2m)^2 - p_1^2$$

$$s_{NN} = 2m \cdot (E_{kin} + 2m)$$

for 
$$E_{kin} >> m : \sqrt{s_{NN}} = 1.4 \cdot \sqrt{E_{kin}}$$