



# Accelerator R&D Part I: Muon Production and Cooling

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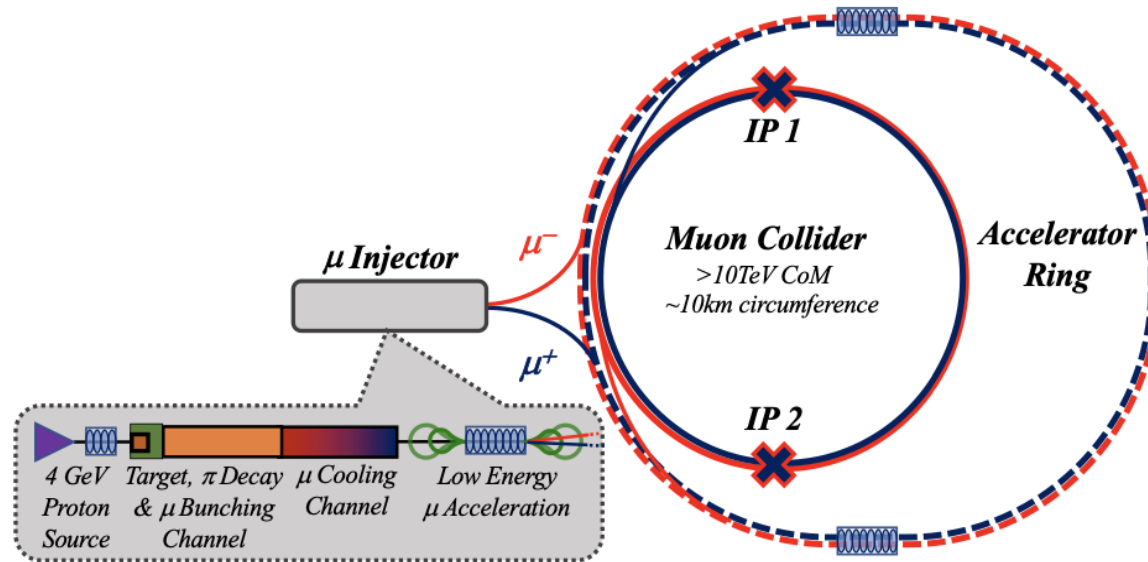
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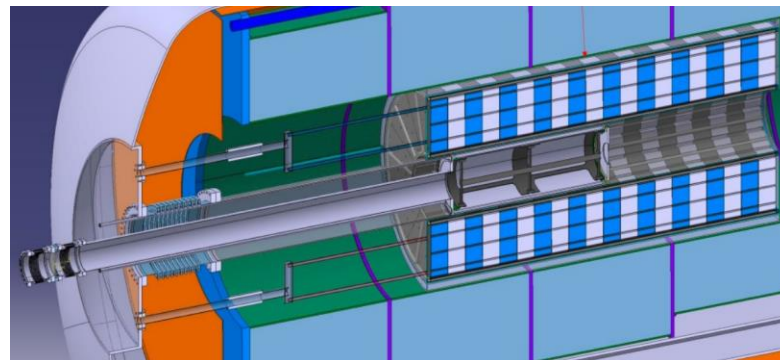
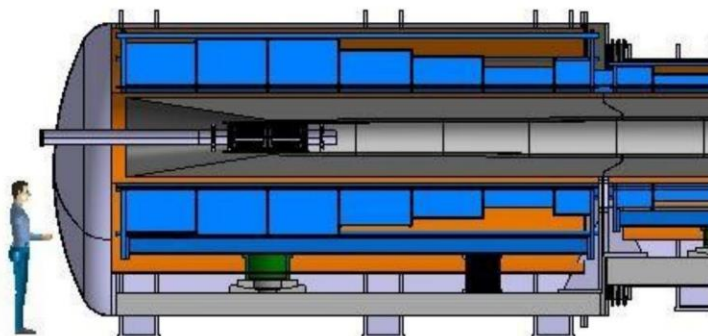
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# Muon Collider



- Main muon source challenges arise from muon production and cooling
- Two beam demonstration studies are considered
  - Muon cooling demonstrator
  - High-power targetry

# Muon Collider Target



- Protons impinge on a target  $\longrightarrow$  pions  $\longrightarrow$  muons
- Very high field ( $\sim 20$  T) solenoid captures both pion charges
- Heavy shielding required
- Challenges
  - Lifetime of solid target and windows
  - Energy deposition and solenoid shielding

# Targetry options & synergies

**C-Target & target system**  
CERN

*R. F. Ximenes, M. Calviani, D. Calzolari, A. Lechner, F. Saura, J. Manczak, C. Mucher et al*

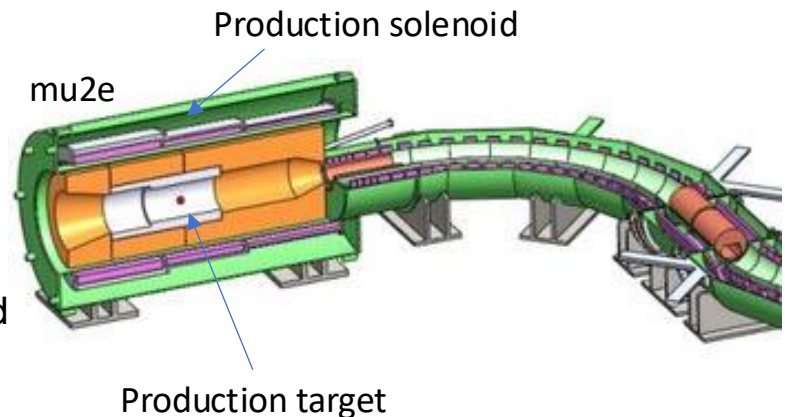
**Liquid Pb Target**  
ENEA & CERN

*C. Carrelli, M. Tarantino, I. Di Piazza, P.C. Puviani et al.*

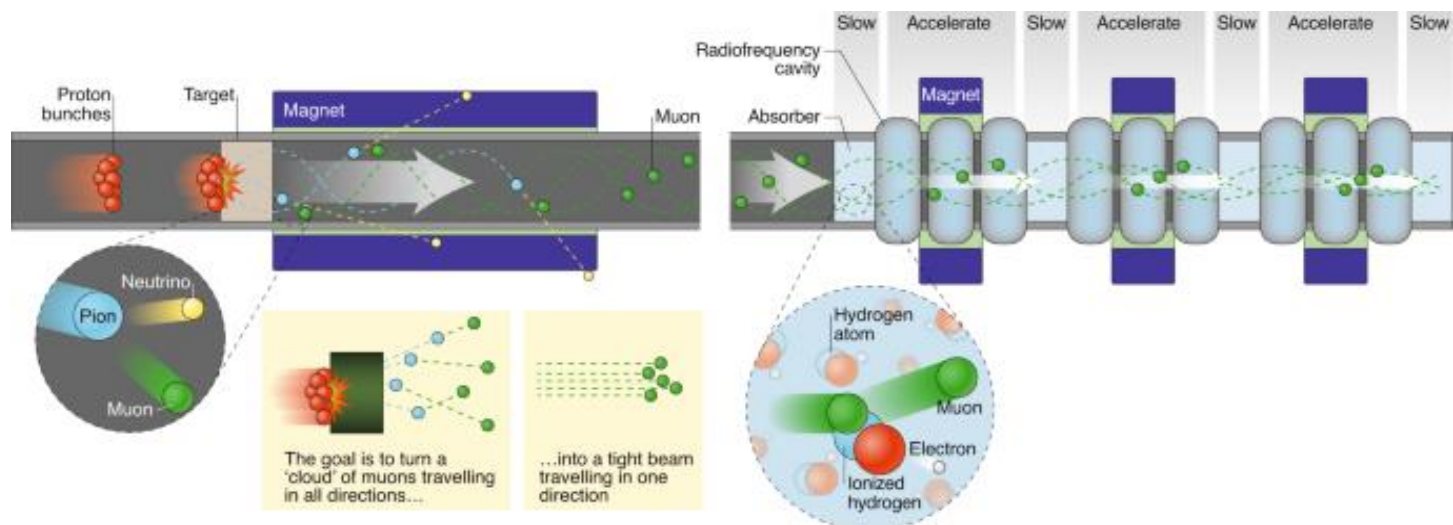
**Fluidized W-Target**  
RAL & Warwick Uni.

*C. Densham, J.J. Back, W. Bishop, D. Wilcox, et al.*

- HTS cable for high field solenoids
  - Strong synergy with fusion experiments
- Muon-to-electron conversion experiments produce muons in a similar way
  - Lower proton beam power and lower magnetic field



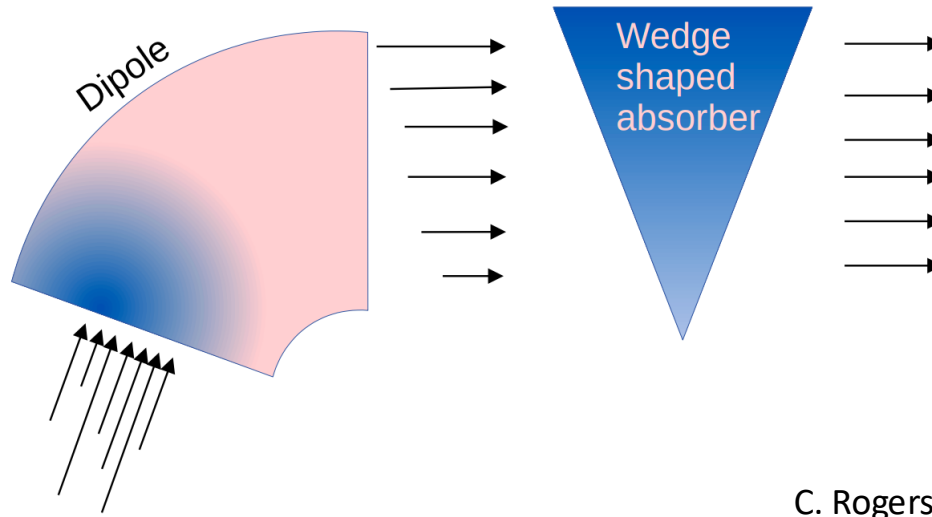
# Ionization Cooling



- Beam loses energy in absorber material
  - Momentum reduced in all directions
  - Longitudinal momentum restored using RF cavities
  - Outcome: a beam with a reduced angular divergence, more parallel
- Multiple Coulomb scattering has an antagonising effect; can be mitigated
  - Tight focusing at absorber
  - Low-Z absorber materials (liquid hydrogen, lithium hydride)
- Emittance – measure of the phase-space volume occupied by the beam
  - Equilibrium emittance achieved when the two effects cancel out

# Emittance exchange

- 6D cooling required for the Muon Collider
  - Must also cool the beam longitudinally
  - Can be achieved through emittance exchange



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**Input:** low transverse emittance, high longitudinal emittance



**Dipole:** induces an energy-position correlation; beam wider



**Wedge absorber:** removes energy-position correlation and momentum spread



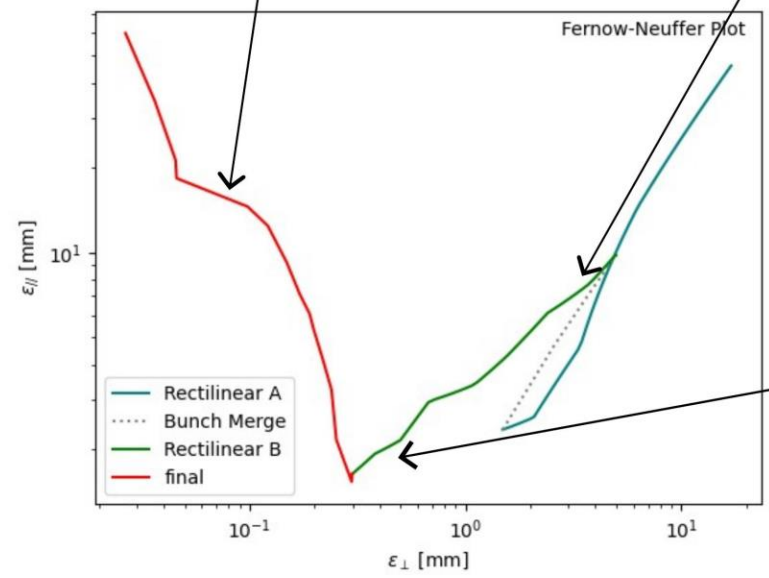
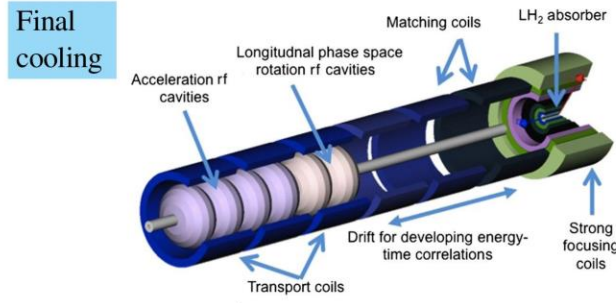
**Output:** high transverse emittance, low longitudinal emittance

# Muon Collider Cooling Scheme

## Challenges:

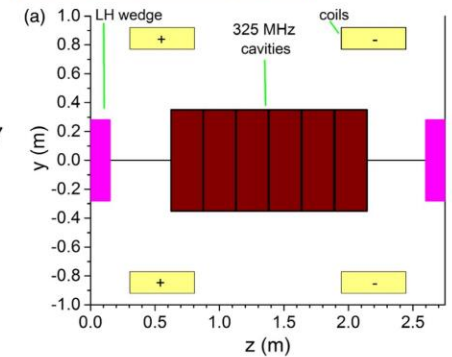
- Rectilinear cooling
  - Integration of magnets, absorbers and RF cavities in a compact lattice
  - High RF gradients in strong magnetic fields
- Final cooling
  - Very high magnetic fields required (~ 30+ T)
  - Management of longitudinal emittance growth
  - Liquid hydrogen absorber in the presence of high beam currents

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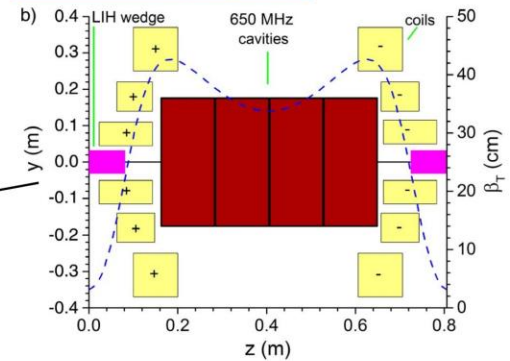


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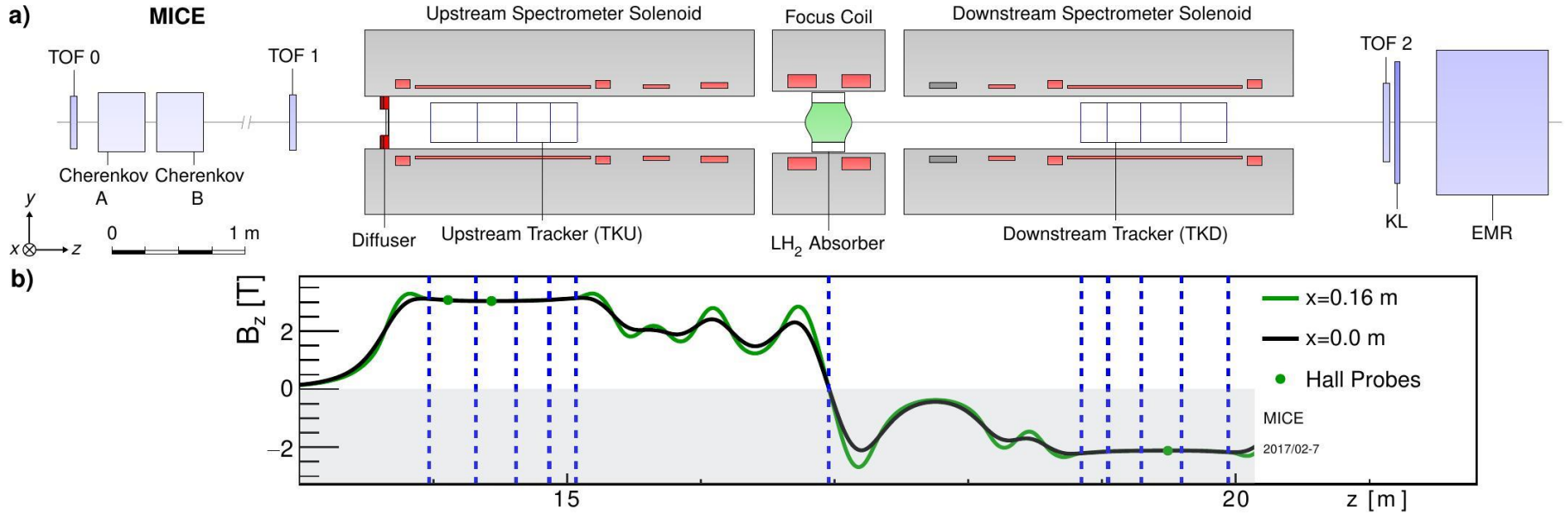
## Rectilinear B (Stage B1)



## Rectilinear B (Stage B8)



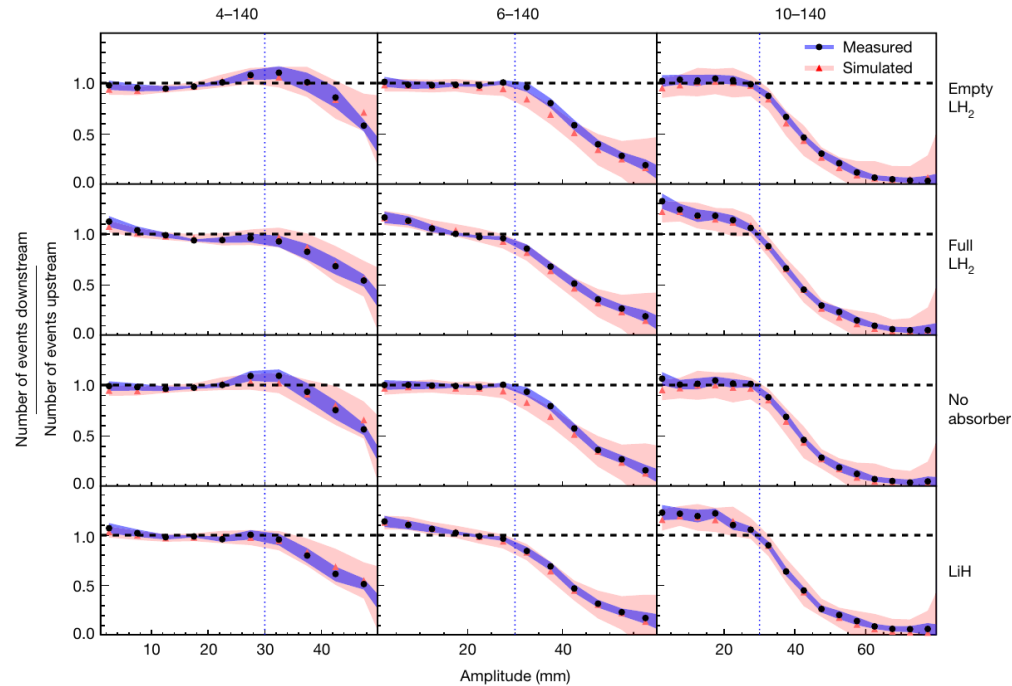
# Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment (MICE)



- One cooling cell/absorber, no acceleration
- Beam measured particle by particle upstream and downstream of the absorber (lithium hydride, liquid hydrogen)



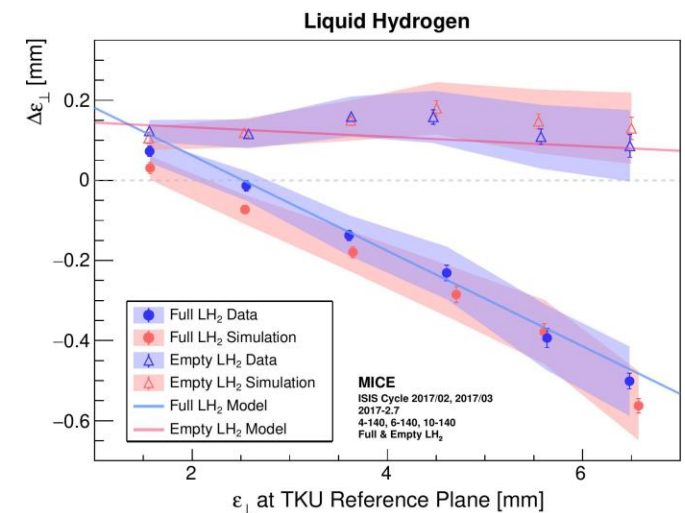
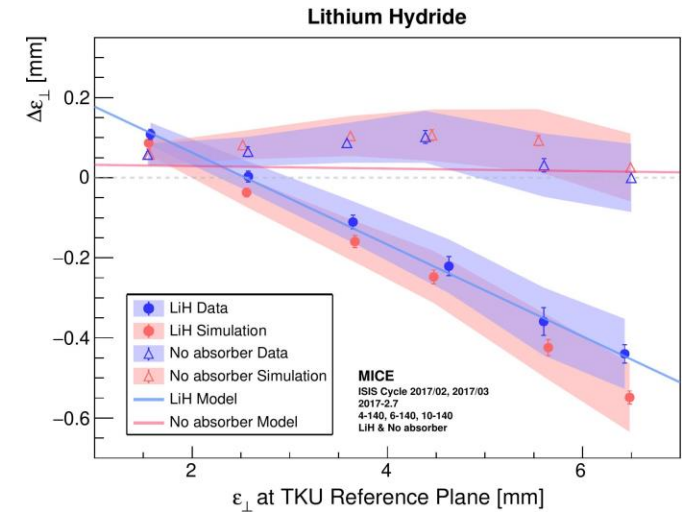
# MICE results - core density increase



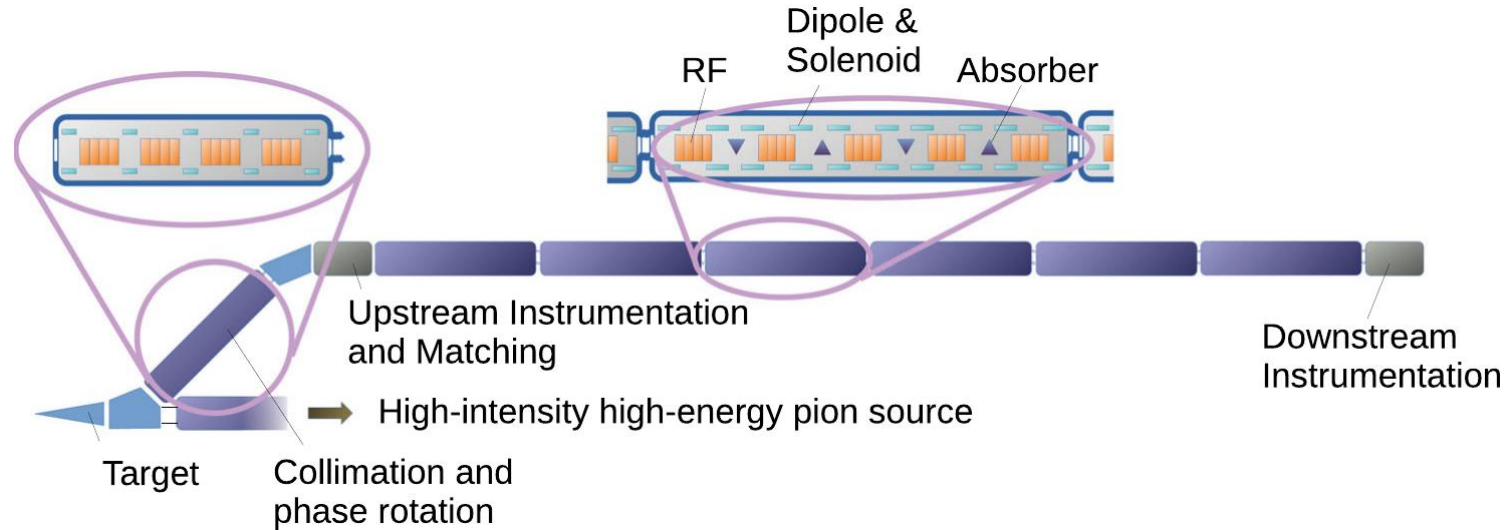
- Transverse (4D) ionization cooling demonstrated by MICE
- Amplitude - distance of muon from beam core
- When absorber present
  - Increase in the number of low-amplitude muons in the beam core
- Results published in [Nature](#)

# MICE results - emittance reduction

- When absorber present:
  - Cooling above equilibrium emittance
  - Heating below equilibrium emittance
- When no absorber present:
  - Optical heating
  - Additional heating from Al windows
- Results accepted for publication in Nature Physics ([arXiv](#))



# Muon Cooling Demonstrator

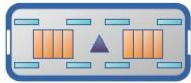


- 6D cooling
  - RF acceleration
  - Multiple cooling cell staging
  - Achieve suitable cooling performance
- Demonstrator design in progress
  - Muon source
  - Beam transport and preparation
  - Cooling lattice

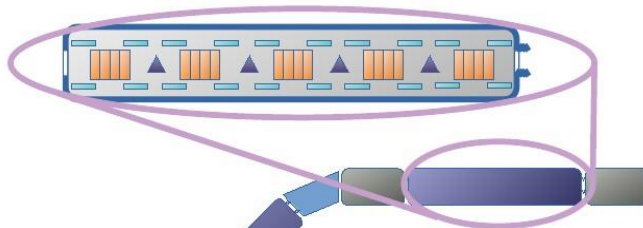
# Demonstrator programme



RF Test programme, with upgradeable magnet configuration, to test novel RF technologies



Prototype of a cooling vacuum vessel to test magnet, absorber and RF integration



Full cooling vacuum vessel with beam



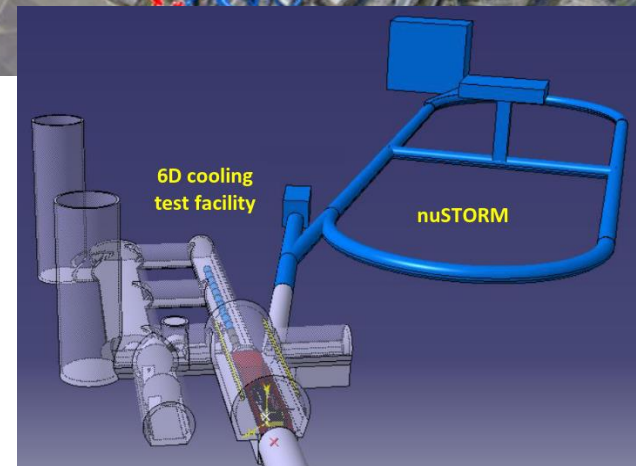
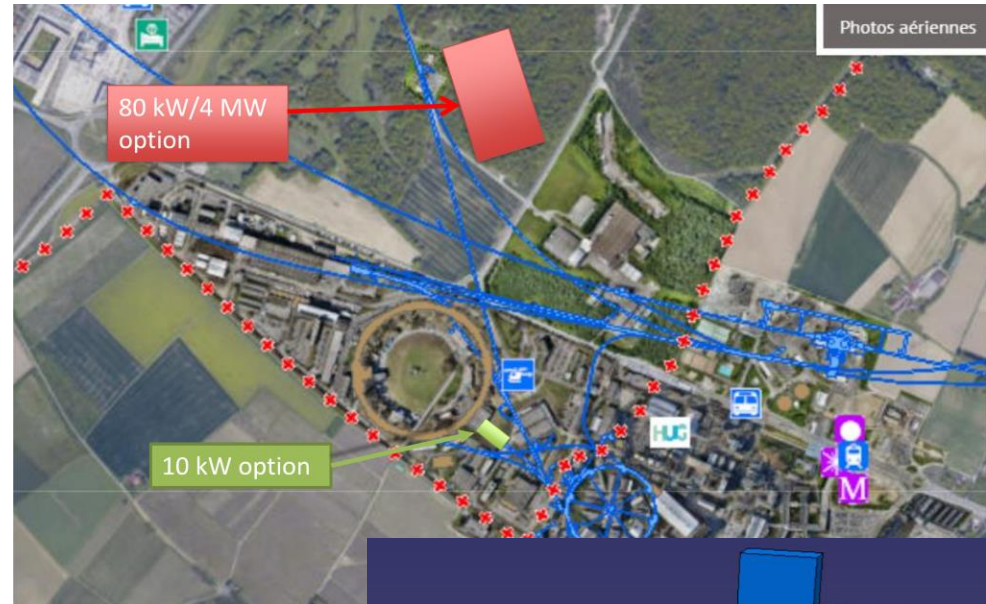
Full cooling lattice with beam

# RF development

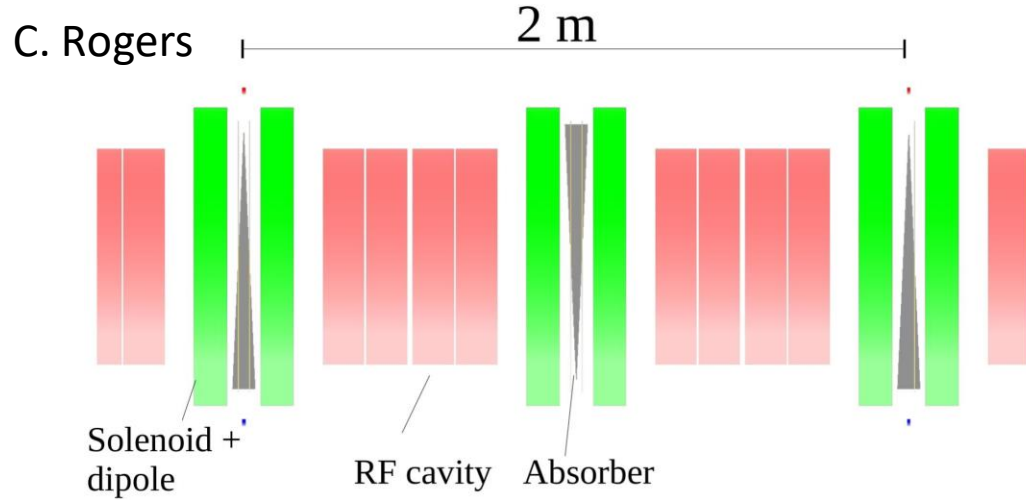
- Substantial effort done by the US Muon Accelerator Program to develop high-gradient RF cavities capable to operate in strong magnetic fields
- Two cavities developed and tested with promising results in mitigating breakdown
  - Beryllium walls ([Bowring et al, PRAB 23 072001, 2020](#))
  - Insulation with high pressure gas ([Freemire et al, JINST 13 P01029, 2018](#))
- A dedicated facility required to test these concepts (and others) further
  - High-gradient RF source housed within a large aperture high-field solenoid
  - Several labs considered for hosting a test stand (Daresbury, Milan, Saclay)

# Demonstrator - Siting options at CERN

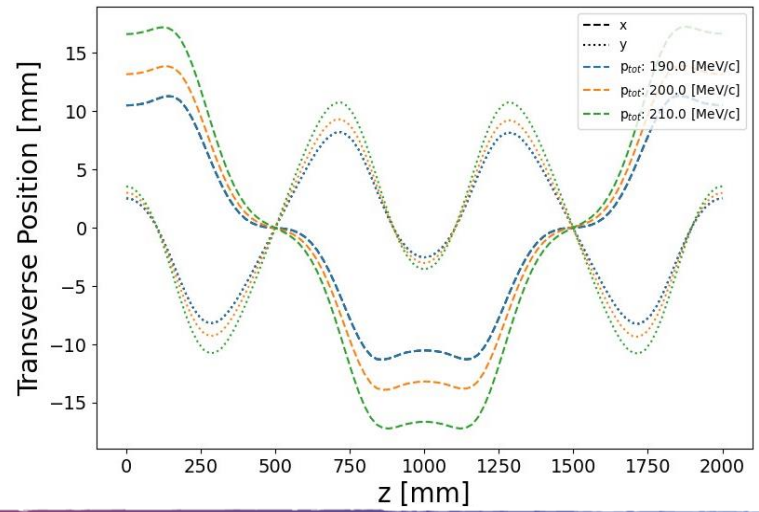
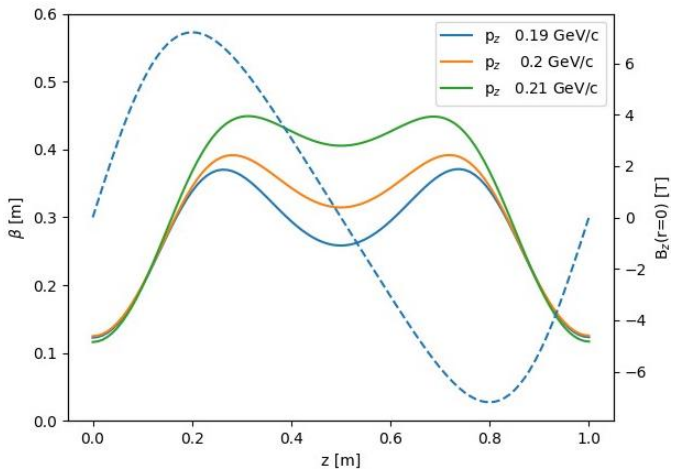
- Two siting options at CERN currently considered (non-CERN proposals welcome)
- 10 kW beam power option
  - In the TT7 extraction line
  - Proton beam from the CERN PS
  - Requires bespoke muon production and transport system design
- 80 kW/4 MW beam power option
  - Proton beam from the CERN PS or SPS
  - Pion production system could be shared with the nuSTORM facility



# Preliminary cooling cell concept



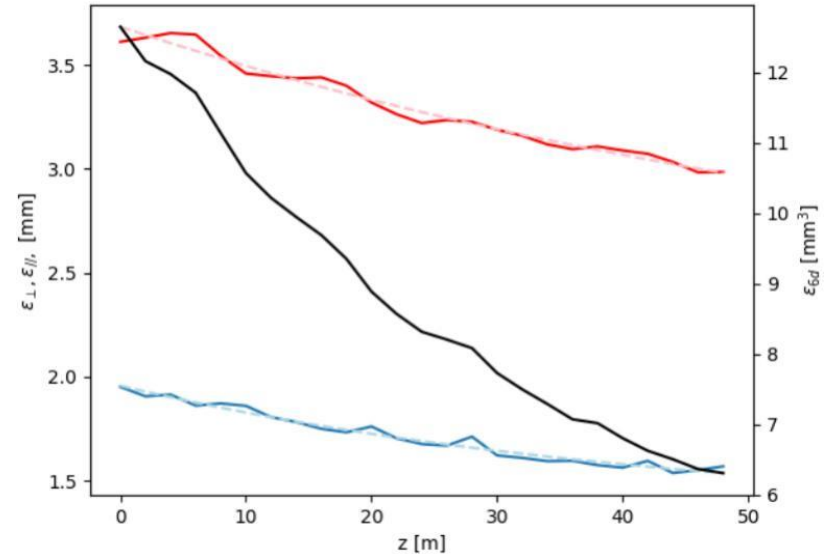
Cooling System	
Cell length	2 m
Peak solenoid field on-axis	7.2 T
Dipole field	0.2 T
Dipole length	0.1 m
RF real estate gradient	22 MV/m
RF nominal phase	20°
RF frequency	704 MHz
Wedge thickness on-axis	0.0342 m
Wedge apex angle	5°
Wedge material	LiH



# Preliminary cooling channel performance

C. Rogers

Transmission losses	2.00%
Decay losses	4.00%
Trans $\epsilon$ in	1.95 mm
Trans $\epsilon$ out	1.57 mm
Long $\epsilon$ in	3.61 mm
Long $\epsilon$ out	2.99 mm
6D $\epsilon$ in	12.7 mm <sup>3</sup>
6D $\epsilon$ out	6.3 mm <sup>3</sup>



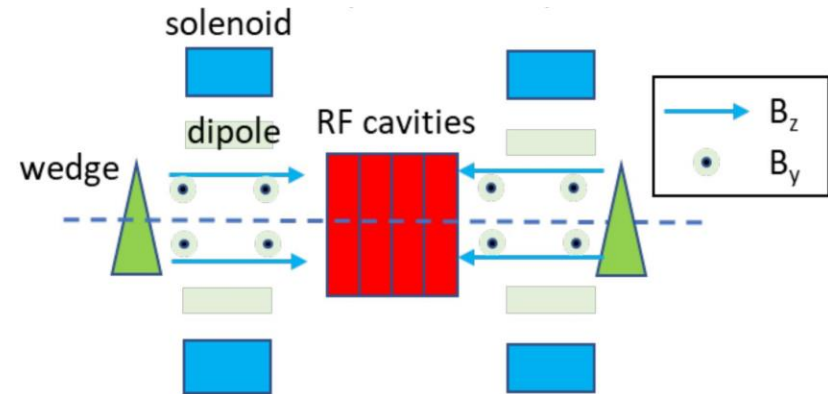
- Lithium hydride absorber
- Currently under optimisation
  - Tighter focusing could provide more cooling
  - Practical/engineering constraints incorporated iteratively



# Preliminary cooling channel performance

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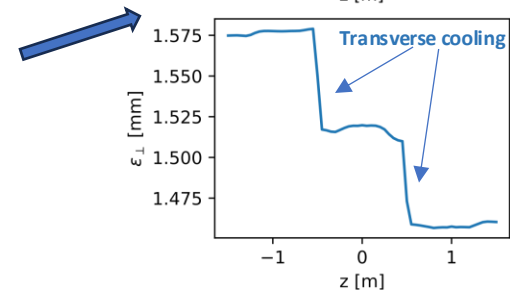
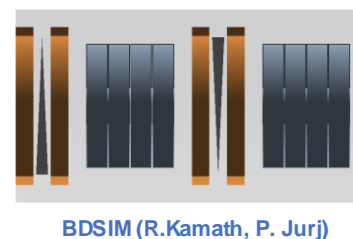
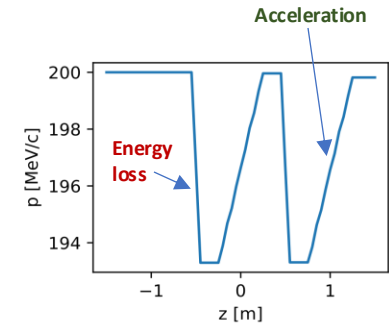
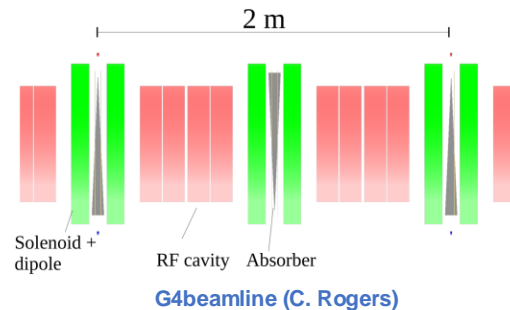
	$\epsilon_{T,sim}$ (mm)	$\epsilon_{L,sim}$ (mm)	$\epsilon_{6D,sim}$ (mm <sup>3</sup> )	Transmission
Start	5.129	9.991	262.5	
Stage 1	2.898	8.583	73.60	86.1%
Stage 2	1.974	5.852	23.49	91.1%
Stage 3	1.449	3.251	7.067	88.8%
Stage 4	1.066	2.367	2.856	91.7%
Stage 5	0.7271	2.284	1.266	91.3%
Stage 6	0.4956	2.149	0.5374	88.2%
Stage 7	0.3549	2.075	0.2734	87.7%
Stage 8	0.2690	1.891	0.1403	88.4%
Stage 9	0.1831	1.767	0.05911	82.2%
Stage 10	0.1403	1.563	0.03057	83.5%



- Demonstrator cooling cell design also informed by the rectilinear cooling channel optimisation studies
- Liquid hydrogen
  - Improved performance, but higher transmission losses

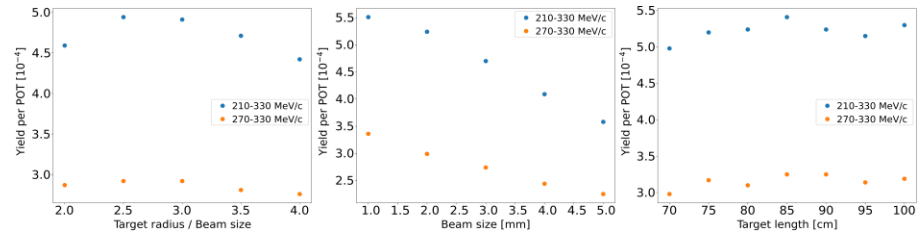
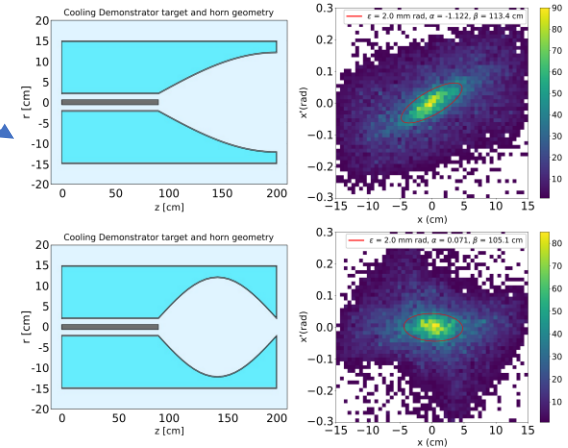
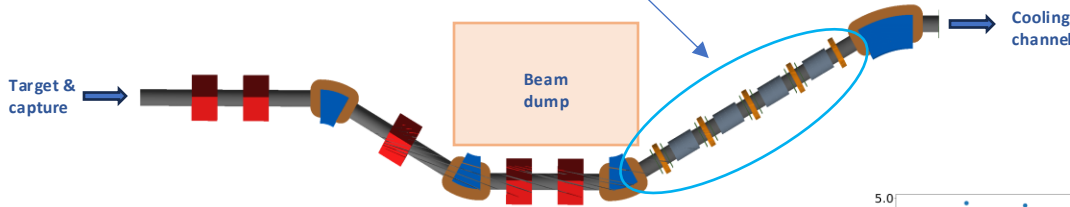
# Code development: BDSIM for ionization cooling

- Current muon cooling simulation studies: [G4beamline](#)
- Plan to conduct parallel cooling studies in [BDSIM](#)
  - Advance code to deliver simulations of the full cooling system (Demonstrator/Muon Collider)
  - Validate and benchmark against G4beamline
- Initial work and validation conducted using existing Cooling Demonstrator lattice designs
  - Beam optics validation (solenoids only)
  - Longitudinal acceleration
  - Transverse cooling
- Future work
  - Dipole field integration
  - Solenoid field model development
  - Full simulation validation



# Demonstrator - Beam production and transport

- Preliminary design studies on muon production and transport for the low beam power CERN option
  1. Muon (pion) production
    - Studied feasibility of using 14 GeV protons from the CERN Proton Synchrotron
    - Target and magnetic horn parametric scans/optimization
  2. Beam transport
    - Initiated a study (BDSIM & MAD-X) to fit the transport chicane within existing tunnel (CERN TT7)
    - Chicane to include a beam preparation system, used to tune the beam transversely and longitudinally before delivery to the cooling channel



# Summary

- Muon production and cooling at a Muon Collider - technically challenging
- Beam tests are essential
  - 6D ionization cooling, at a Muon Cooling Demonstrator
  - MW-class targetry in a high-field solenoid
- Opportunities for a rich physics programme

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