



# High magnetic fields for X ray and neutron scattering

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Why high magnetic fields?

How to generate high magnetic fields?

State of the art high field X ray/neutron scattering in high fields

Outlook



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## What I will not talk about

- The physics one can do using high magnetic fields
- Installations using commercial superconducting magnets



## Why high magnetic fields ?

- 1) Manipulating matter: deflection  
levitation  
**'engineering'** separation  
alignment

- 2) Probing matter: the field modifies electronic et magnetic properties:  
**'materials science'** Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR, MRI)  
cyclotron resonance, electron spin resonance (ESR)  
(X)MCD, Hall effect, dHvA effect, SdH effect,.....

- 3) Thermo dynamics; Induce new states of matter:  
**'basic solid state physics'** Low T superconductor normal state  
Field induced superconductivity  
Quantum critical points  
Magnetization plateau states  
.....

## 16 Nobel prizes for magnetic field research

**1902** Physics H.A. Lorentz & P. Zeeman: Magnetic effects on radiation

**1922** Chemistry F. Aston: Mass spectrometer

**1939** Physics E. Lawrence: Development of the cyclotron

**1943** Physics O. Stern: Magnetic moment of the proton

**1944** Physics I. Rabi: NMR of atoms and molecules

**1952** Physics F. Bloch, E. Purcell: Condensed matter NMR

**1955** Physics P. Kusch: Measurement of the electron magnetic moment

**1970** Physics L. Neel: Anti-ferromagnetism, ferrimagnetism

**1977** Physics Anderson, Mott, van Vleck: Magnetic and disordered systems

**1985** Physics K. von Klitzing: Quantum Hall effect

**1991** Chemistry R. Ernst: 2D and FT NMR

**1998** Physics Laughlin, Stormer, Tsui: Fractional quantum Hall effect

**2002** Chemistry K. Wuthrich: NMR of biological macromolecules

**2003** Medicine P. Lauterbur, P. Mansfield: Magnetic resonance imaging

**2007** Physics Fert & Grunberg, Giant magneto-resistance

**2010** Physics, Geim & Novosolov, Electronic properties of graphene

1 T

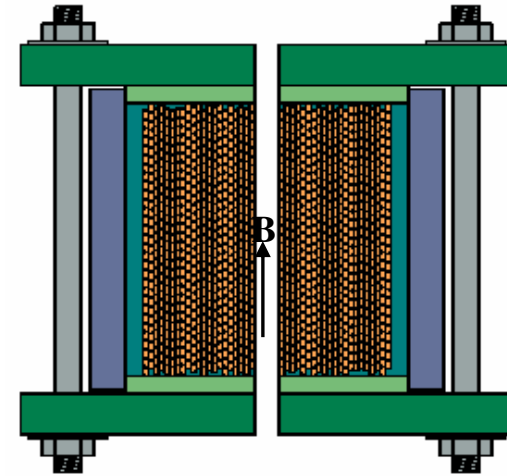
30 T



# How to generate high magnetic fields for general use?

One solution: circulate a current  $I$  in a coil:

$$B \propto I$$

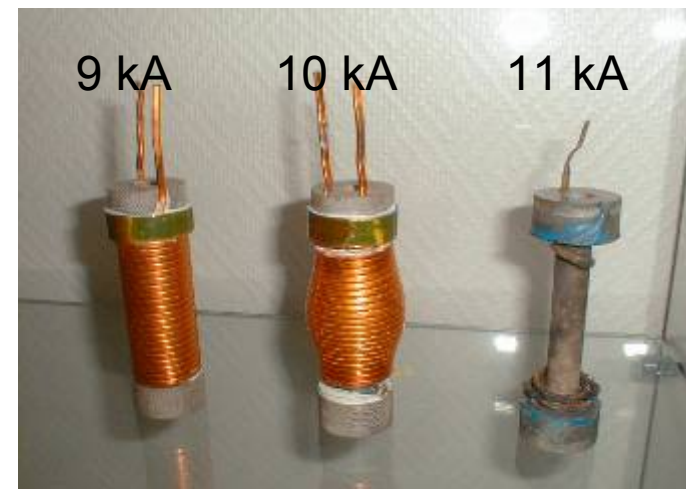


**Problem 1:** heating  $P \propto RI^2 \propto B^2$

- Solutions:**
- superconductors  $R = 0$  ( $B < B_{\text{crit}}$ )
  - cooling: DC fields
  - short current pulse ( $< 1$  s): pulsed field

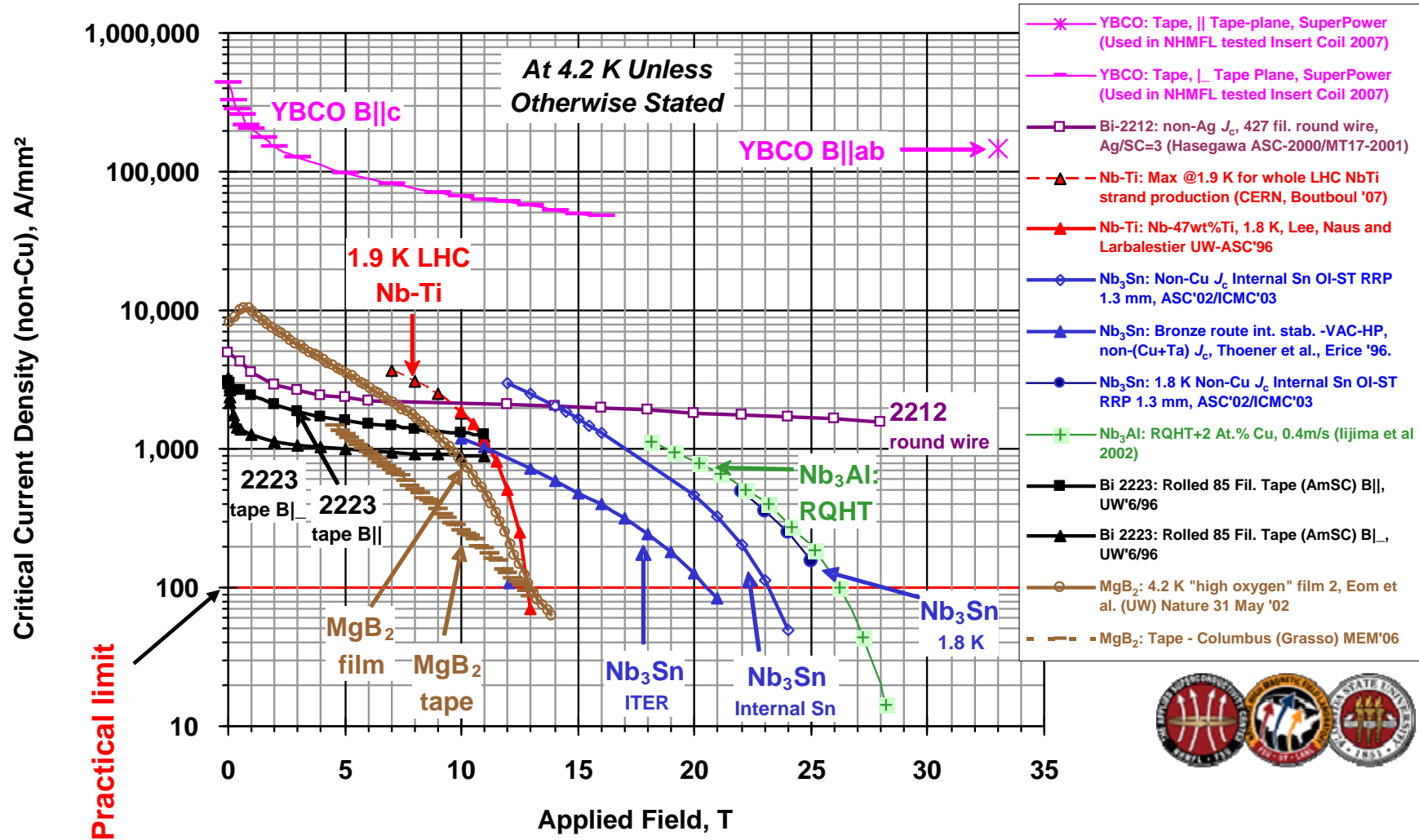
**Problem 2:** Lorentz forces  $\propto \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{I} \propto B^2$

- Solutions:**
- strong conductor
  - mechanical reinforcement



# Why 'resistive' high magnetic fields?

Current maximum  $B_{crit}$  for 'technical' superconductors is 23 T!



## Limitations of resistive magnets

Power/energy scaling (electrical and cooling):

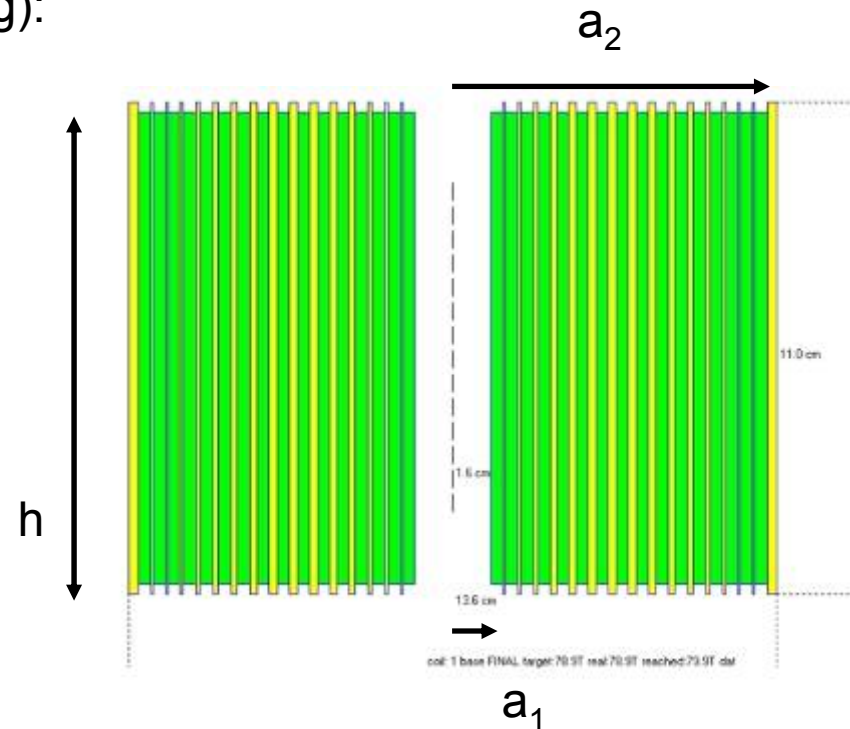
$$B \propto \sqrt{\frac{P}{\rho}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho\tau}}$$

Mechanical limit :

$$B_{\max} \approx \log \alpha \cdot \sqrt{\mu_0 \cdot \sigma_{\text{UTS}} \cdot \lambda}$$

For Cu:  $B_{\max} \approx 35$  Tesla

For steel  $B_{\max} \approx 110$  Tesla



$$\alpha \equiv \frac{a_2}{a_1}, \quad \beta \equiv \frac{h}{a_1}$$

$\lambda$  = wire filling factor

$\lambda < 1$  for cooling!

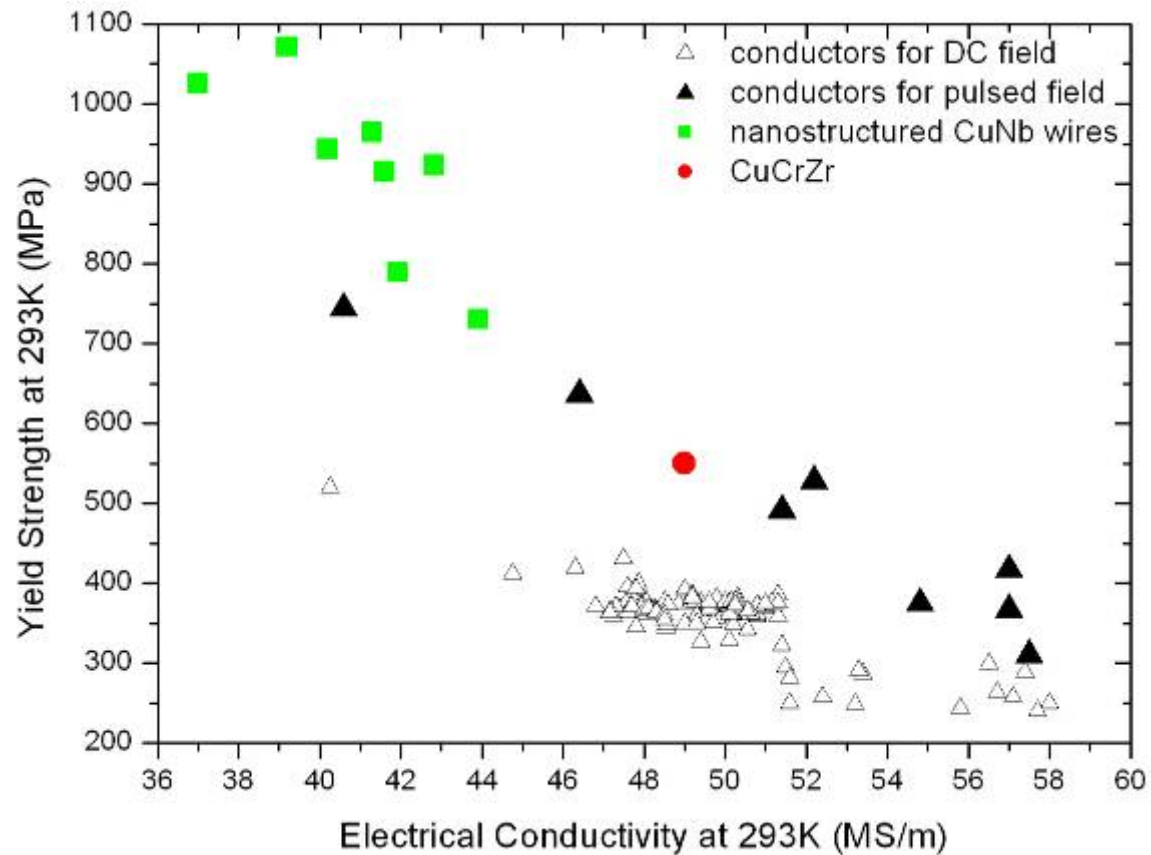


## Pulsed high magnetic fields

- High magnetic field generation is limited by thermal and mechanical constraints
- By pulsing the field, one is freed from the thermal constraints and has larger design freedom.
- For pulsed fields,  $B_{\max}$  is basically limited by the ultimate tensile strength of the conductor. For a given field, the maximum **pulse duration** is determined by the electrical conductivity of the wire, the heat capacity of the coil and the electrical energy available.
- The maximum **duty cycle** depends on the cooling power and the *average* power supply

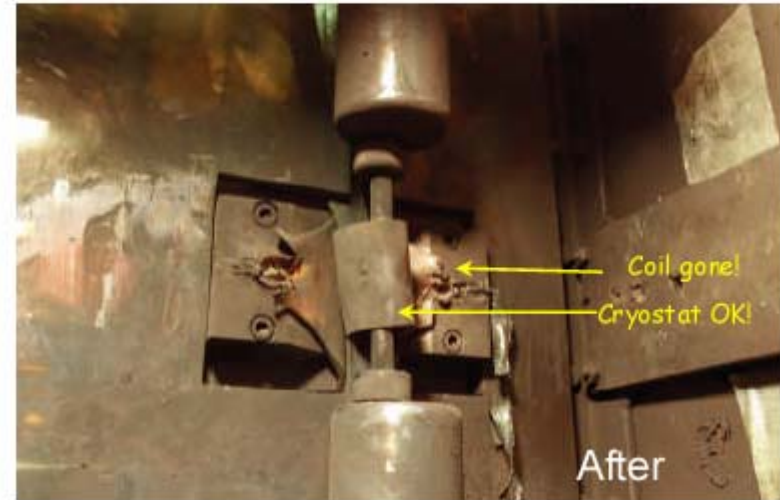
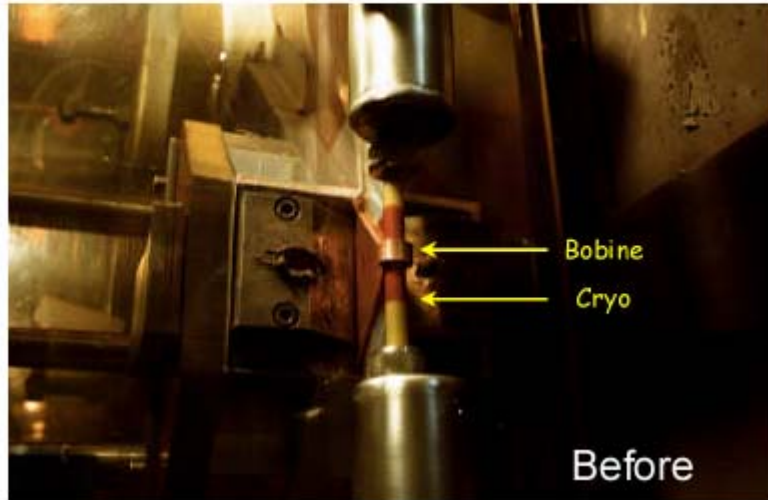


## Magnet materials: trade-off strength vs. conductivity



# Single shot, destructive pulsed magnetic field generation LNCMI

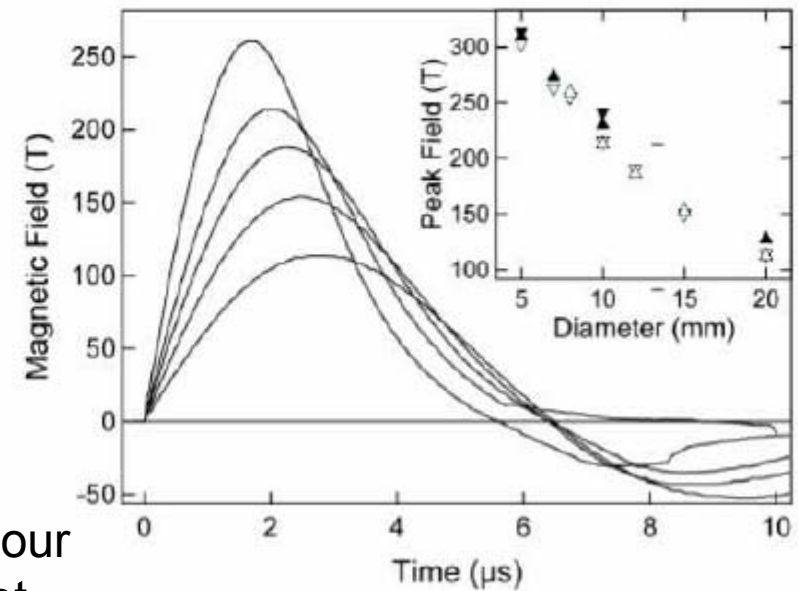
Single turn single shot installation (previously at Humboldt University);



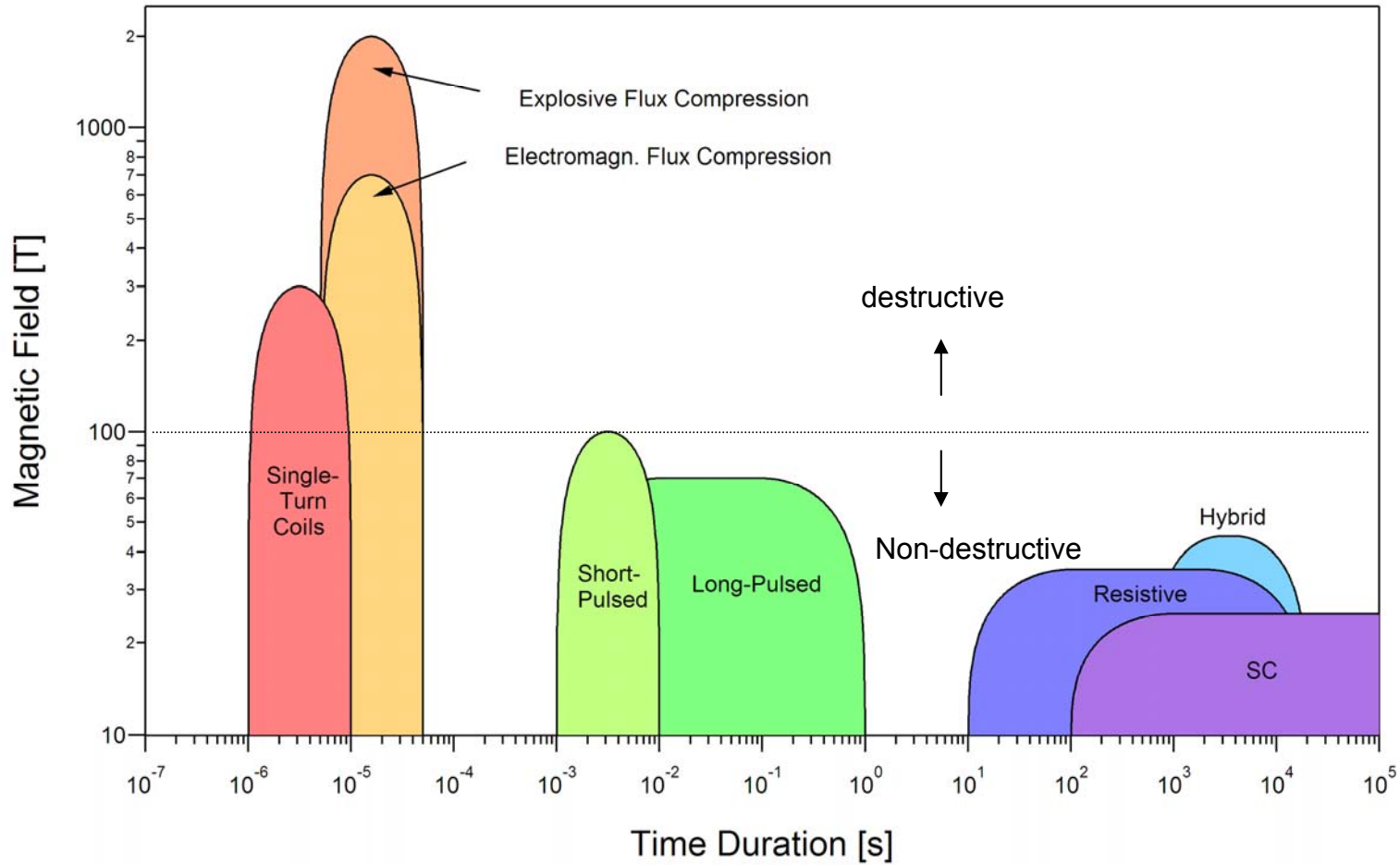
2 MA, 60 kV



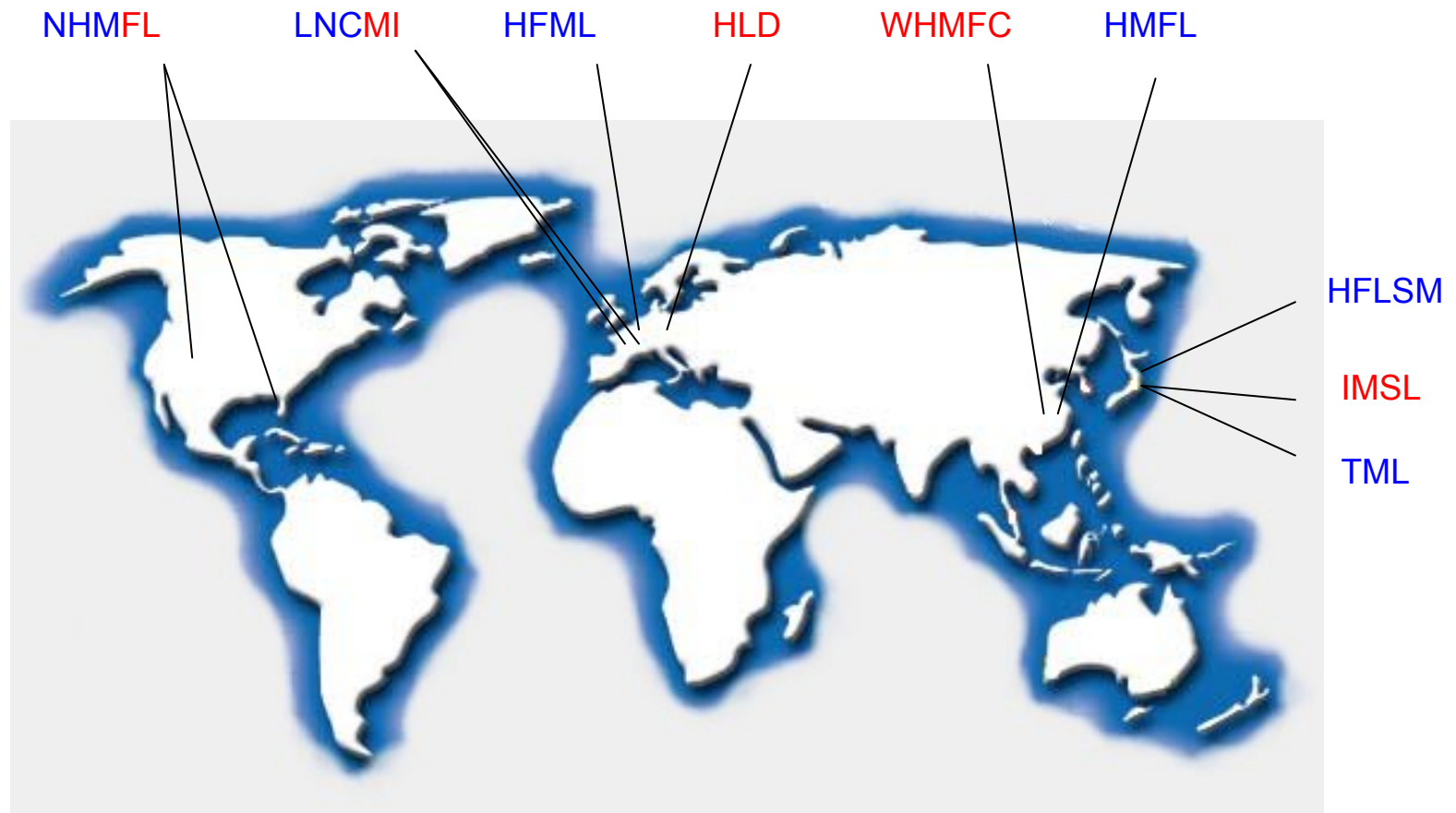
1 shot/hour  
10 €/shot



# Summary of magnetic fields for research



## Large high magnetic field facilities (pulsed and DC)







# National High Magnetic Field Laboratory



Florida State University

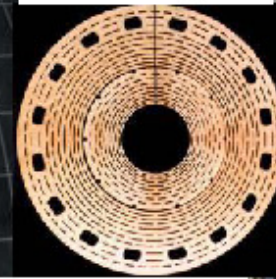


Pulsed Magnetic Field Facility

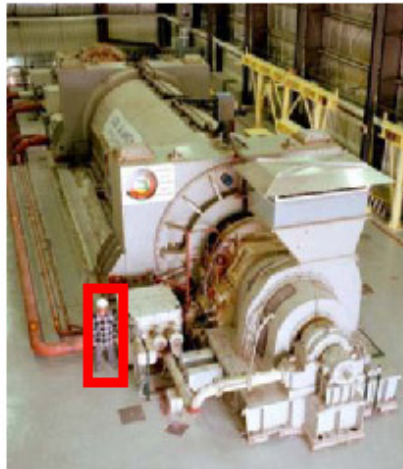
100 T Pulsed Magnet  
10msec  
15mm bore

Los Alamos National Laboratory

45T Hybrid DC Magnet



1.4GW Motor-Generator

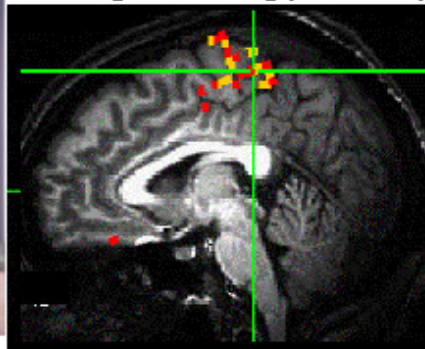


University of Florida

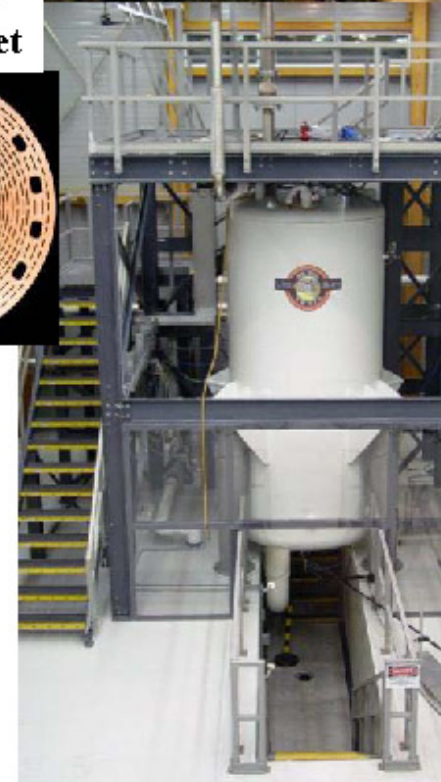
Advanced Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Spectroscopy Facility



11.4T MRI Magnet  
400mm warm bore



High B/T Facility  
17T, 6weeks at 1mK



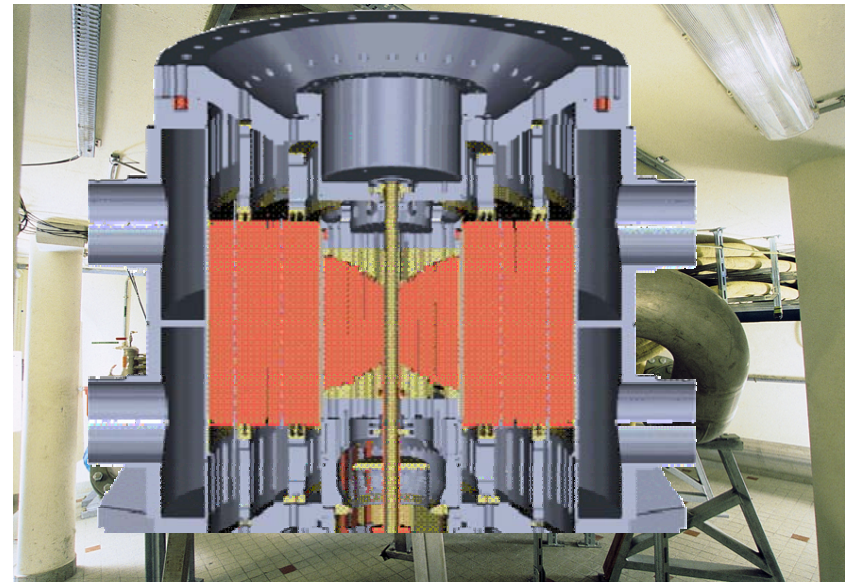
900MHz, 105mm bore  
NMR/MRI Magnet

# DC field installation LNCMI Grenoble

24 MW



300 l/s



35 Tesla



**HLD: the world's largest high field capacitor bank : 50 MJ, 5 GW**



## Technical state of the art

DC magnets:      USA: 45,5 T (NHMFL, hybrid\*)  
                          Japan: 38,9 T (TML, hybrid)  
                          Europe: 35 T (LNCMI, 43 T hybrid under construction)

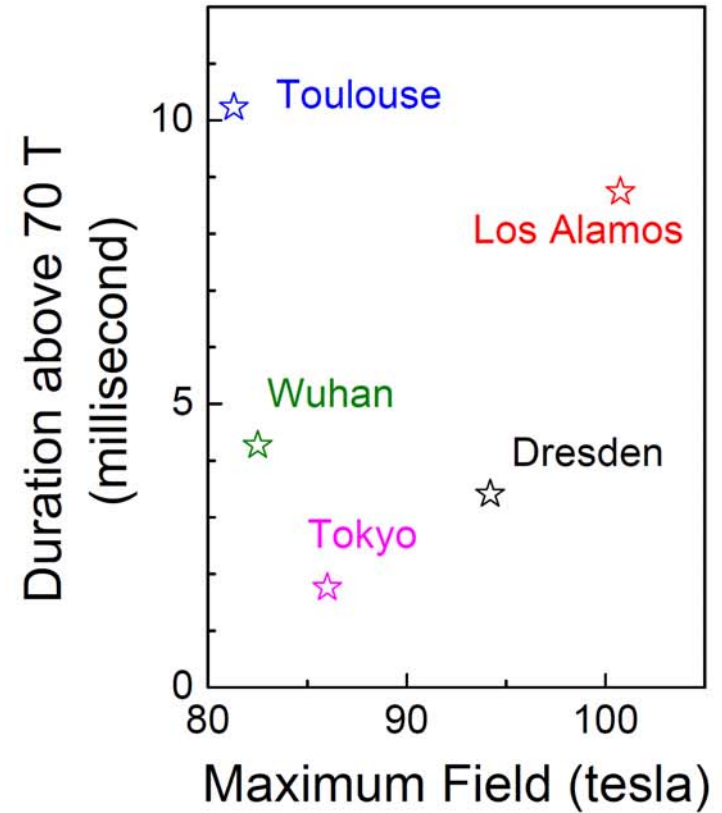
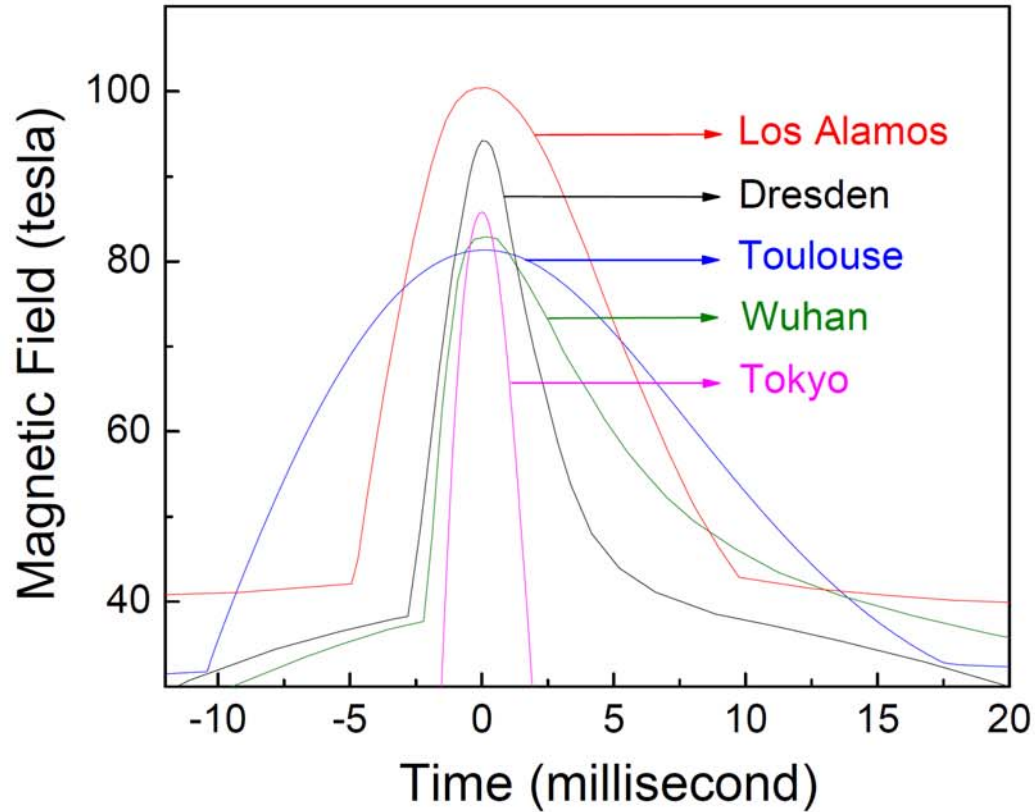
Pulsed magnets: USA: 100,7 T (NHMFL)  
                          Europe: 95 T (HLD)  
                          Japan: 86 T (ISSP)  
                          China: 85 T (WHMFC)  
                          France: 82 T (LNCMI)

(\**hybrid*: resistive inner coil, superconducting outer coil)





## Size versus stamina



Experimental complications (pick-up, eddy currents)  $\propto (\partial B/\partial t)^2$

Signal-to-noise scales with (pulse duration)<sup>1/2</sup>

# The European players

HLD Dresden



HFML Nijmegen



LNCMI Toulouse

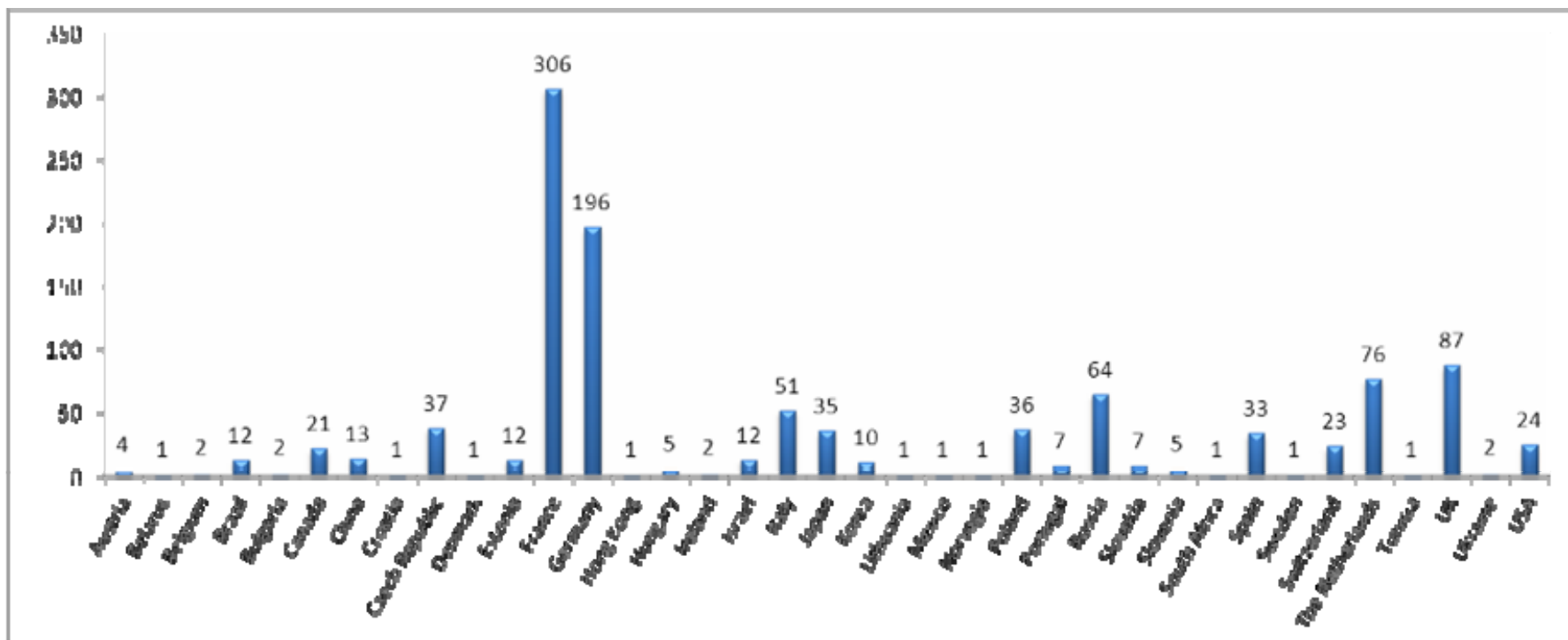


LNCMI Grenoble





## EuroMagNET2: joint user acces program LNCMI-HLD-HFML



2009-2012: 1100 access requests

# Project ESFRI ‘ European Magnetic Field Laboratory’ (EMFL)

**Ultimate aim:** offer European scientists the same possibilities as in the USA

- Improve the efficiency of the 4 European facilities (LNCMI-G&T, HLD, HFML) through collaboration, specialization and coordination.
- Increase the financial and human resources of the 4 European infrastructures



## The EMFL FP7 Preparatory Phase Project:

Identify legal and governance structure

Funding of investments and operation, staffing

Extension of the EMFL with other partners

Roadmap for the technical and scientific evolution of the EMFL

Prototyping of new magnets/equipment

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**Ready-to-sign founding contract**

(Starting date 1/1/2011, duration 3 years)



## State of the art high field X ray/neutron scattering in high fields

### *Specificity of all scattering experiments*

Access for incoming and outgoing beam

Relative orientation  $\mathbf{k}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_o$ , and  $\mathbf{B}$

Sensitive to vibrations

### *Specificity of neutron scattering experiments*

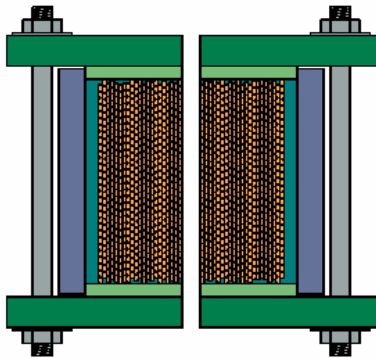
Large sample volumes → Huge magnets or low fields

Long data acquisition times → Pulsed fields of limited use  
→ Huge electricity bill for resistive magnets

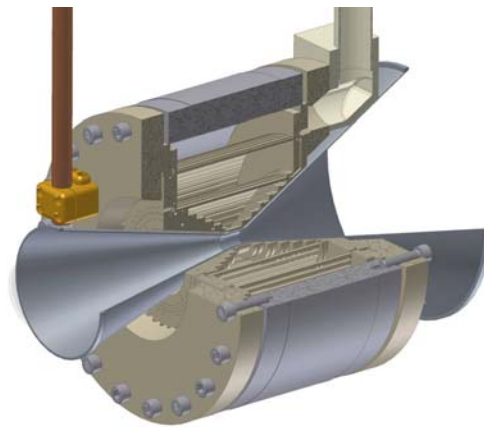


## Magnet geometry and its limitations

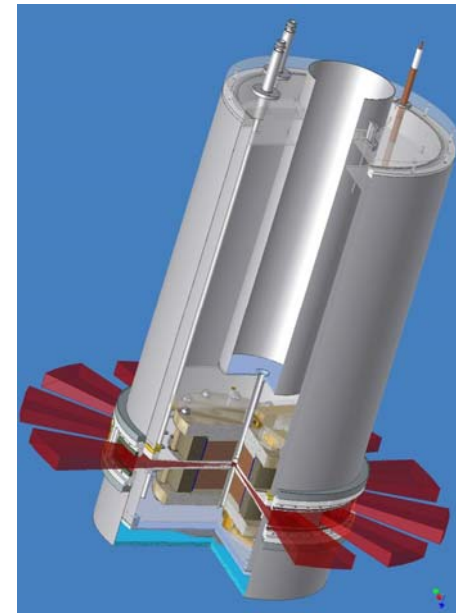
- 1)  $\mathbf{k}_i \parallel \mathbf{k}_o \parallel \mathbf{B}$  (eg. XMCD, SAXS, SANS): standard solenoid,  $B_{\max} = B_{\text{uts}}$
- 2)  $\angle(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{k}_o), \angle(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{k}_i) < 30^\circ$  (eg. MAXS): conical solenoid,  $B_{\max} \approx 0,9 B_{\text{uts}}$
- 3)  $\mathbf{k}_o \perp \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{k}_i \perp \mathbf{B}$ : split coil,  $B_{\max} \approx 0,7 B_{\text{uts}}$
- 4) Any other geometry: difficult,  $B_{\max} \leq 0,5 B_{\text{uts}}$  ??



1)



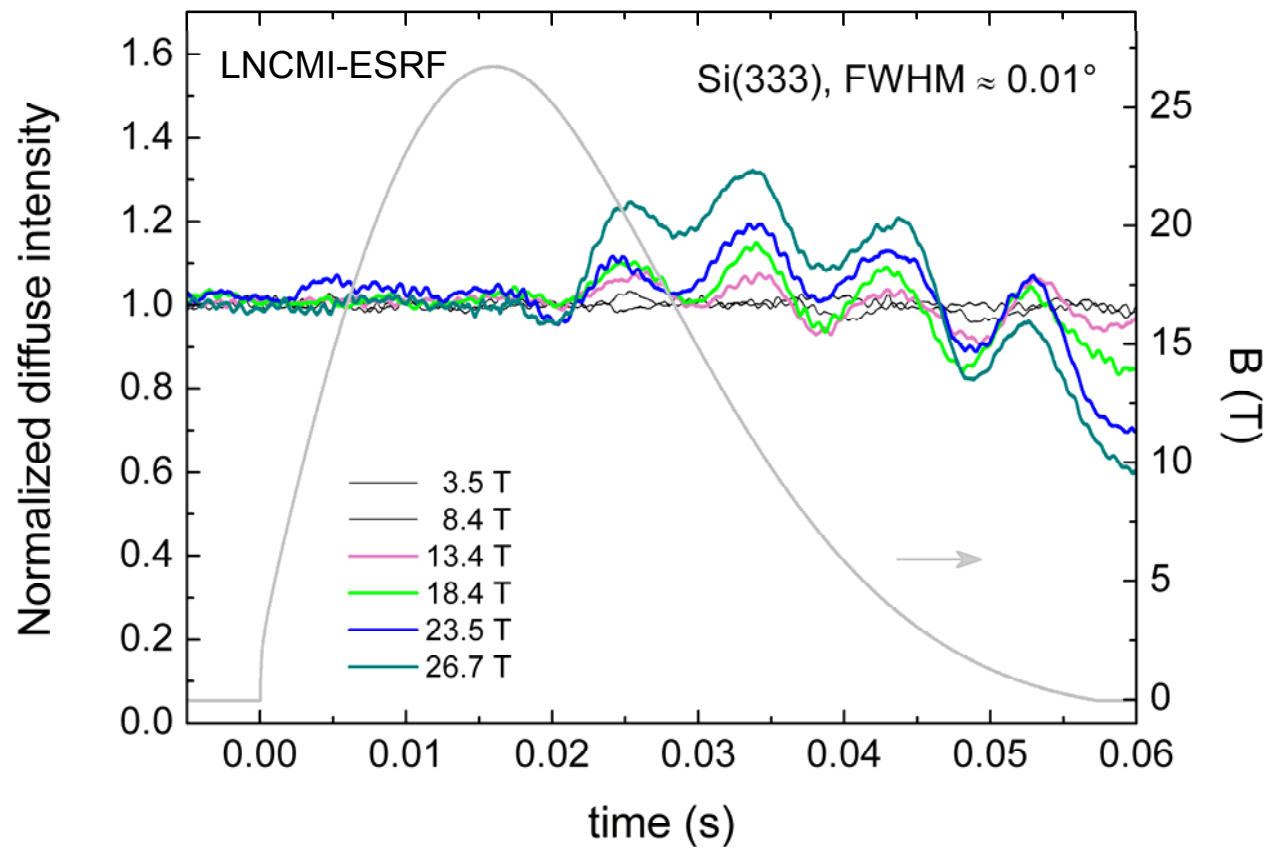
2)



3)

## Vibration sensitivity

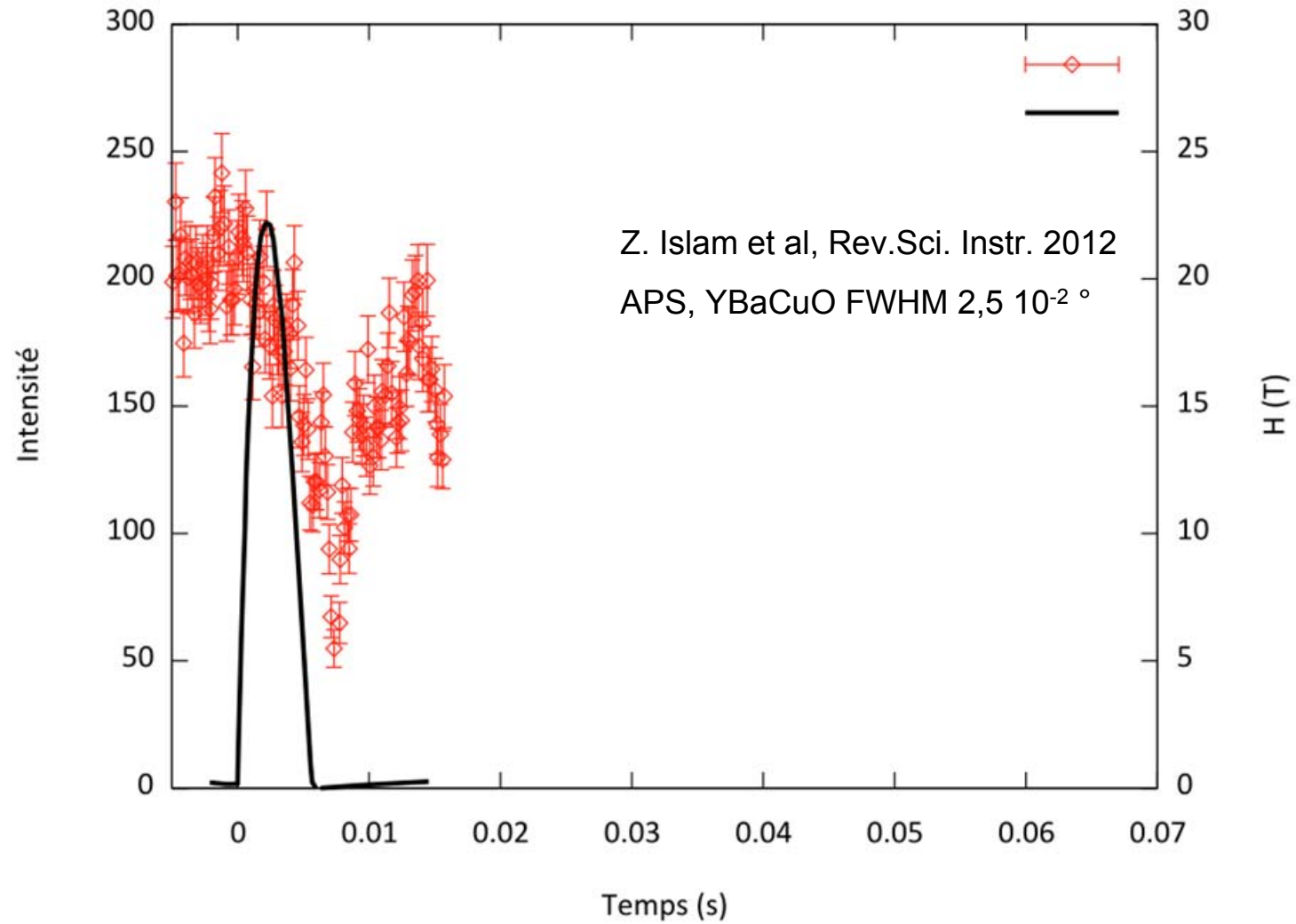
- Cooling water vibrations for resistive magnets: under control
- Coil vibrations for pulsed magnets: getting better





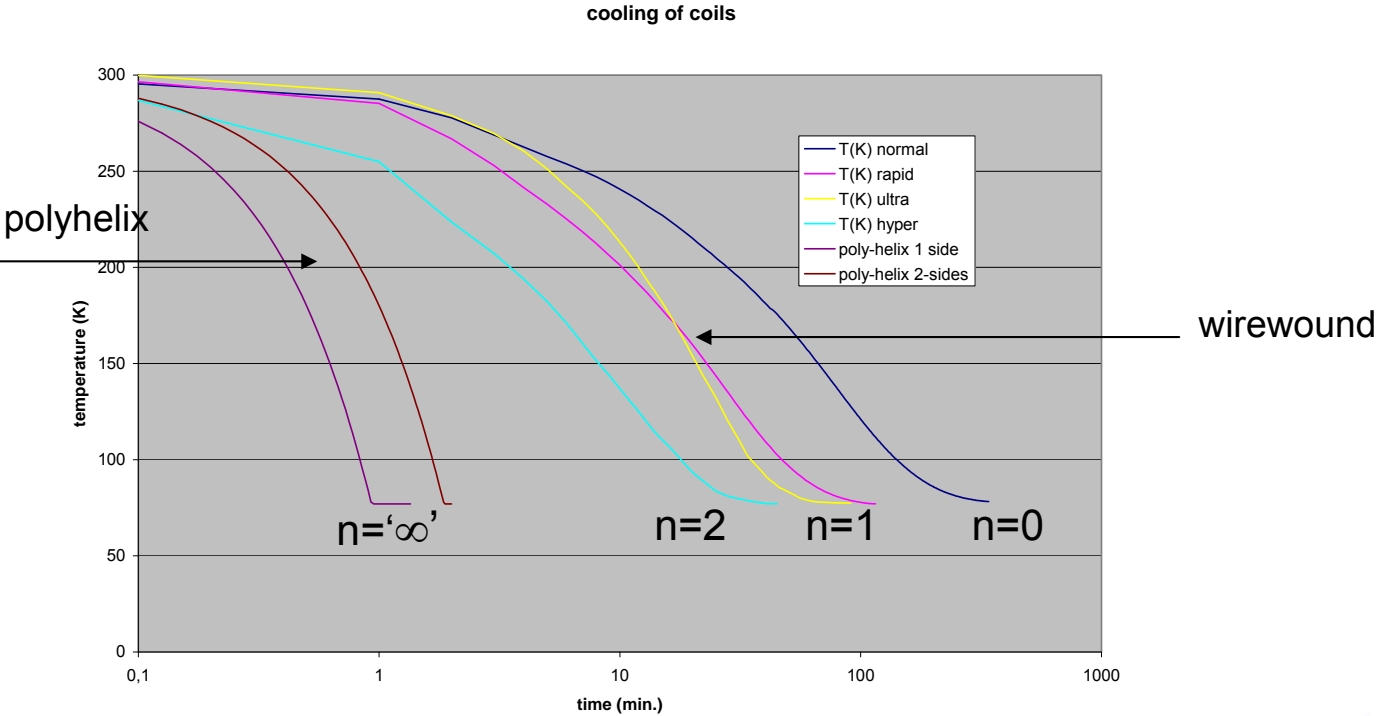
*Alternative strategie for vibration « control »*

Short pulses: measurement is over before any vibration hits the sample!



# Duty cycle of pulsed fields

- Duty cycle of standard pulsed magnets  $\approx 10^{-5}$  , too low for many experiments!
- Duty cycle is limited by cooling rate at low values, and by *average* power at high values
- Increase duty cycle by introducing cooling  $n$  channels; gain  $(n+1)^2$

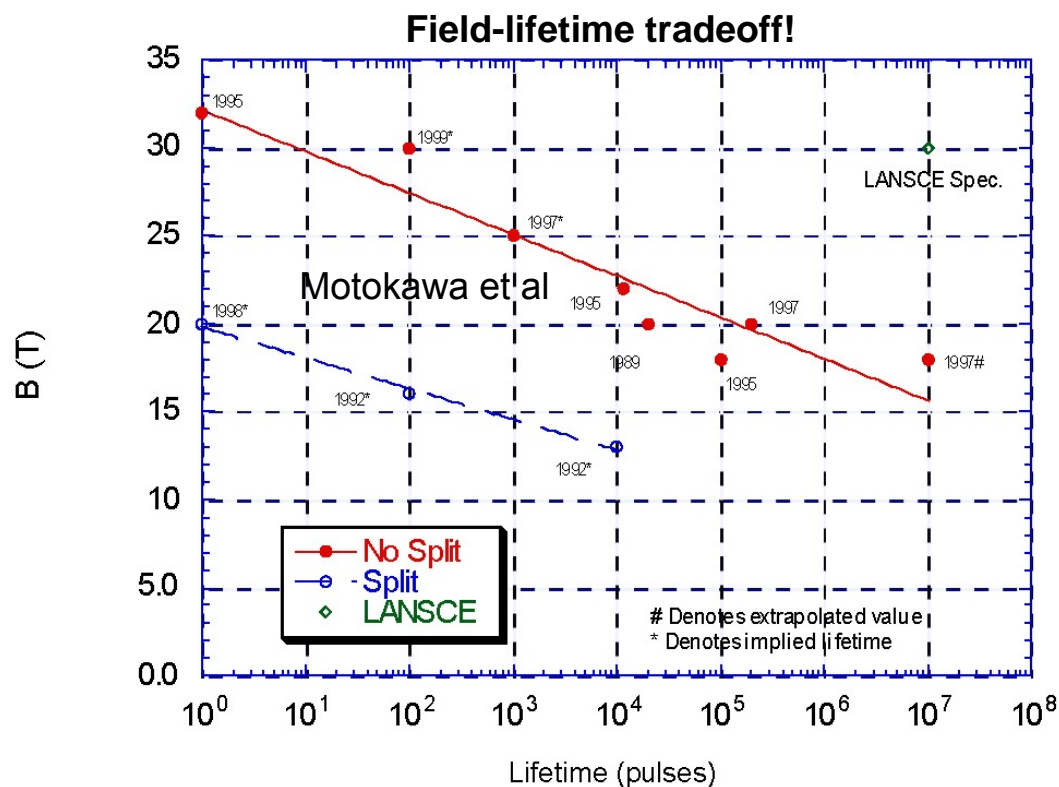


## Magnet lifetime issues

Because of the large stresses, the lifetime of a resistive/pulsed magnet is finite

*DC resistive magnets* have lifetimes of several 1000 hours, and a soft failure mode (resistance increase, noise, field factor reduction)

*Pulsed magnets* have typical lifetimes of 500 shots at 95% of the design field. Lifetime seems independent of pulse duration. Failure mode is usually soft, but sometimes violent.



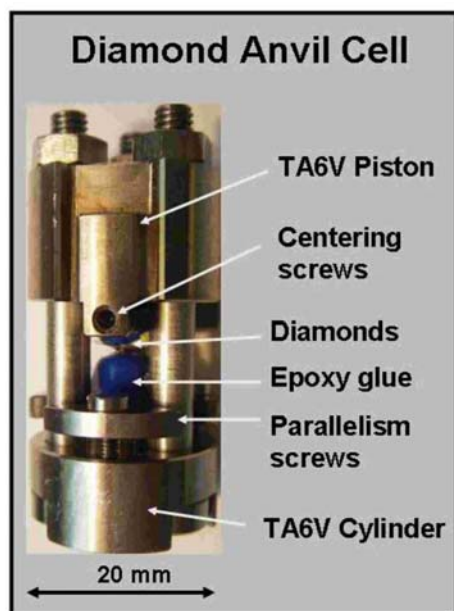
1 Hz LANSCE design



## Sample environment

Resistive magnets offer almost the same possibilities in terms of high pressure, low temperatures as SC magnets. Only  $T < 30$  mK is difficult because of field noise.

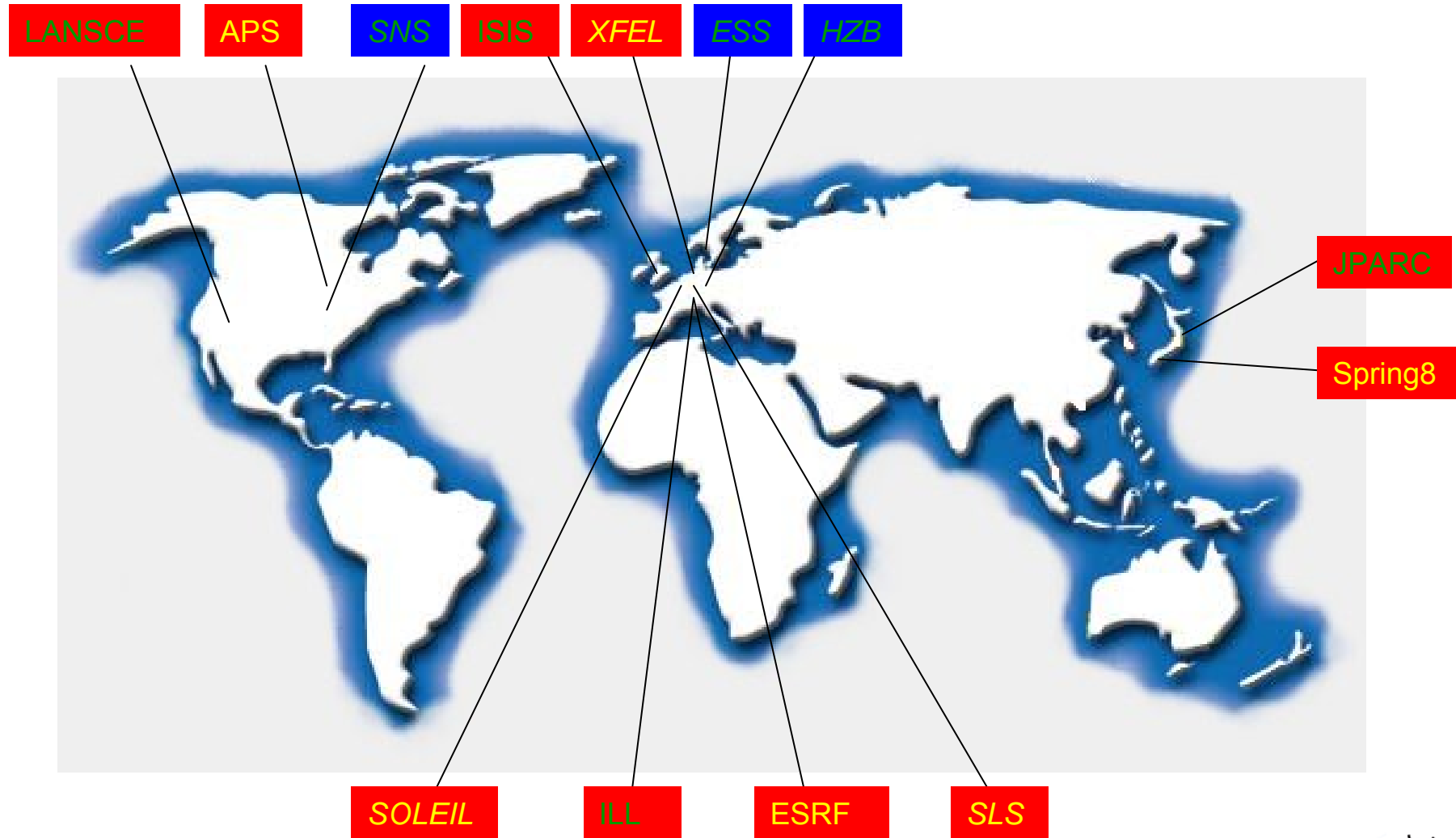
Pulsed magnets are somewhat more limiting; temperatures down to 50 mK and pressures up to 10 GPa have been realised in 60 T solenoids.



10 GPa DAC, 60 T

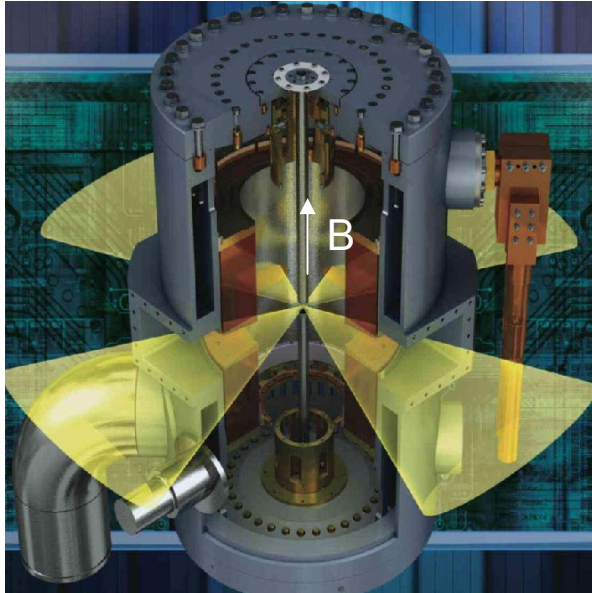
(Milot et al, High Pressure Research 28, 627 (2008))

X ray and neutron sources with DC or pulsed high field activities/projects





## NHMFL-Tallahassee scattering magnet

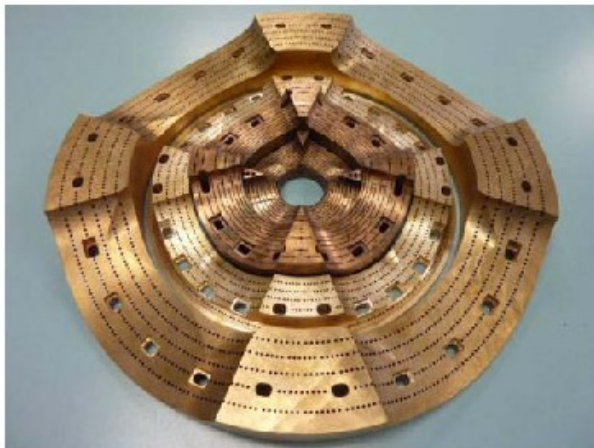


25T, 28 MW split coil

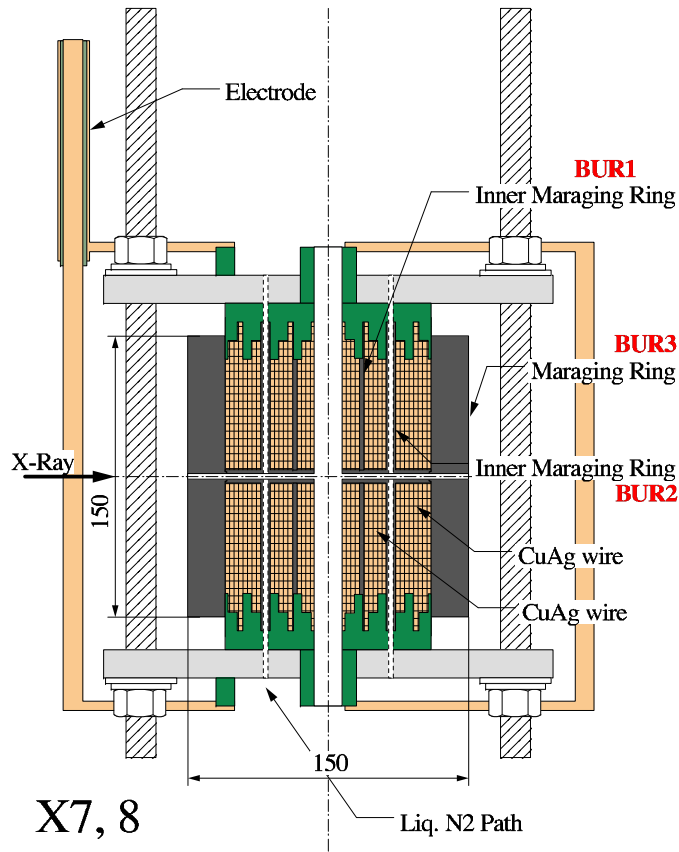
Operational since June 2011

4 x 45° x 10° ports

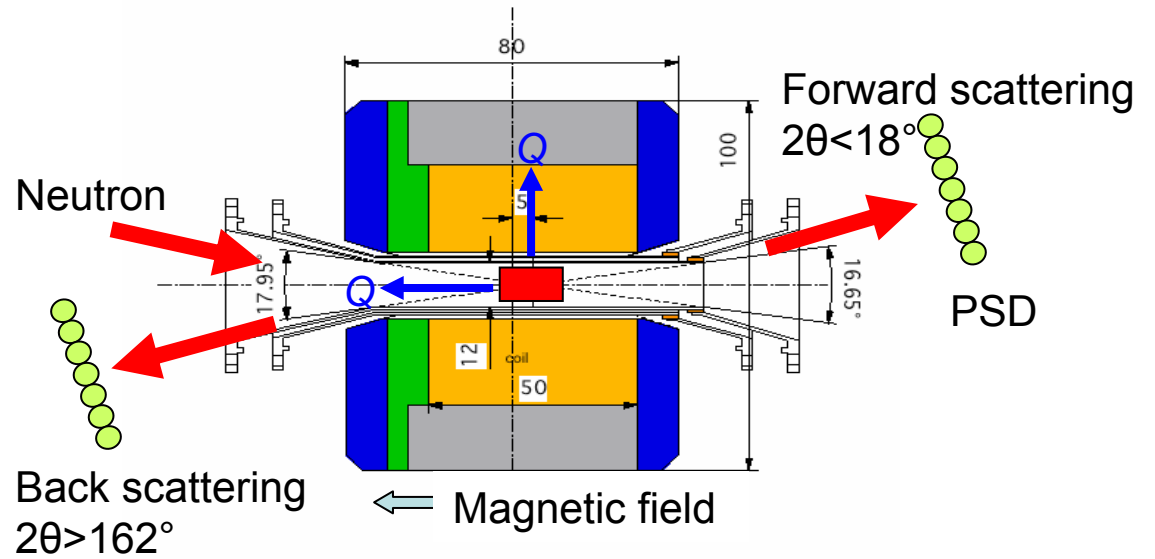
However, no X rays, no neutrons!



# IMSL scattering magnets used at Spring 8 and JPARC



40 T, rapid cooling split coil

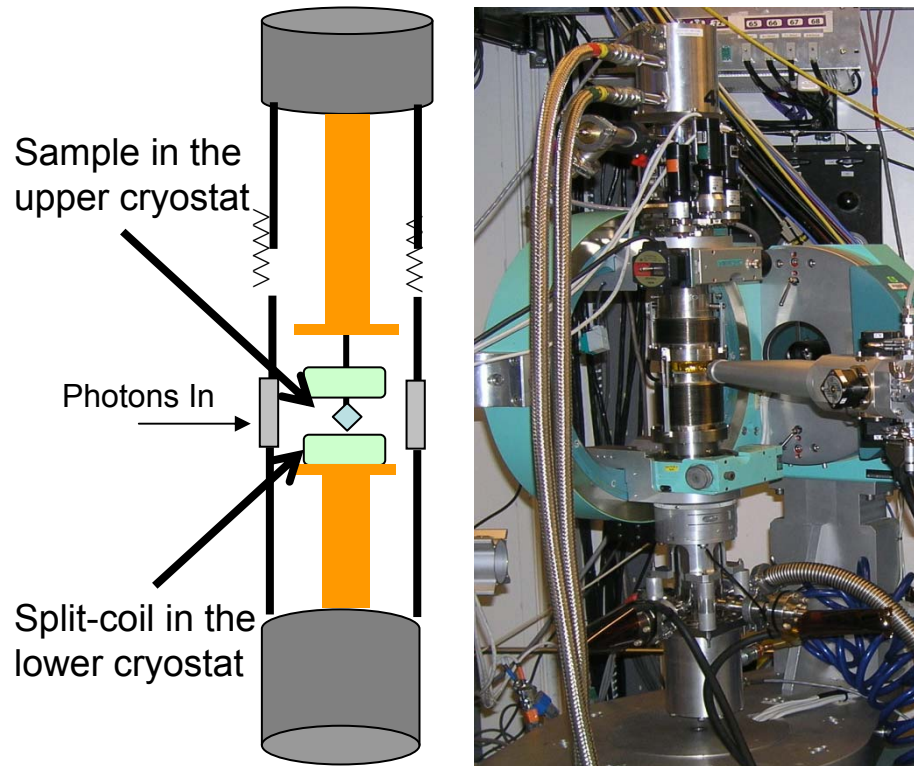


40 T, small angle scattering magnet

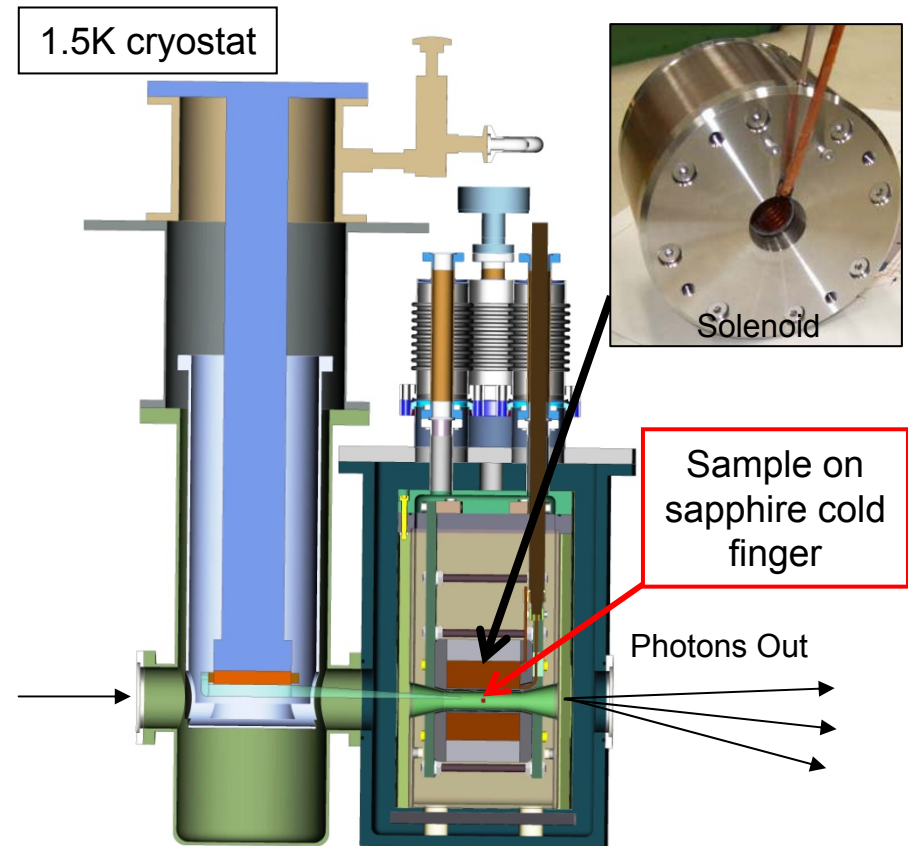


# APS scattering magnets

## 30T pulsed split-pair dual-cryostat magnet



## 30T solenoid for single-crystal diffraction

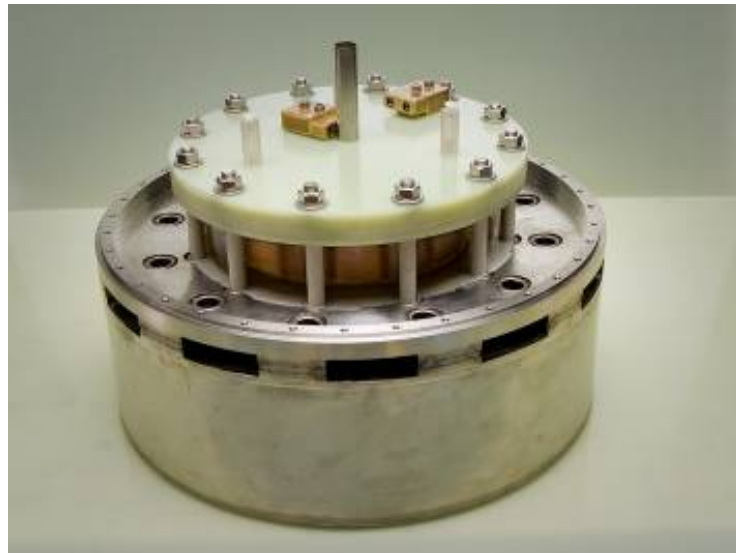


Developped in collaboration with prof. Nojiri (IMR-Tohoku)

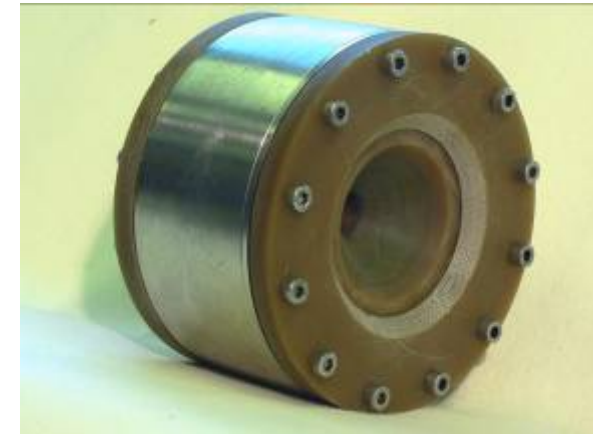
Courtesy of dr. Z. Islam - APS



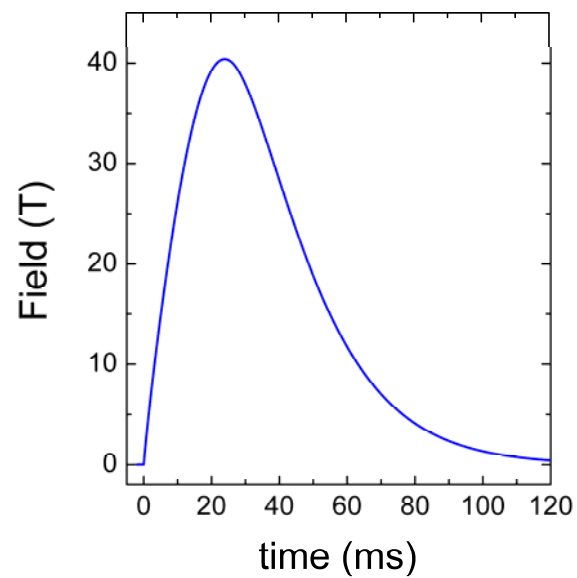
# LNCMI scattering magnets used at ILL, ESRF, SLS, SOLEIL



30 T split coil

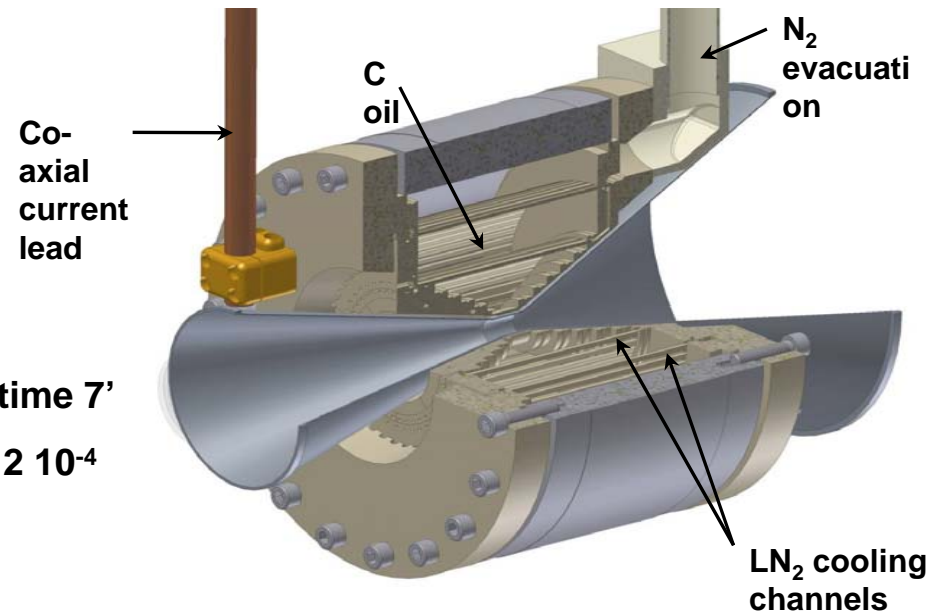


30 T WAXS coil, > 750 shots!



40 T long pulse rapid cooling

Cooldown time 7'  
Duty cycle  $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$



## Other scattering magnets

IMR-Tohoku pulsed magnets; H. Nojiri, next speaker

ESRF pulsed field system; C. Strohm, Thursday 9h45

HZB series connected hybrid; A. Tennant, Thursday 11h

ISIS pulsed field system; P. Manuel, Thursday 15h



## Outlook for X ray and neutron scattering in high magnetic fields

### *Magnet side:*

High Tc superconducting magnets

Resistive magnets

Hybrid magnets

Pulsed magnets

### *Beam side:*

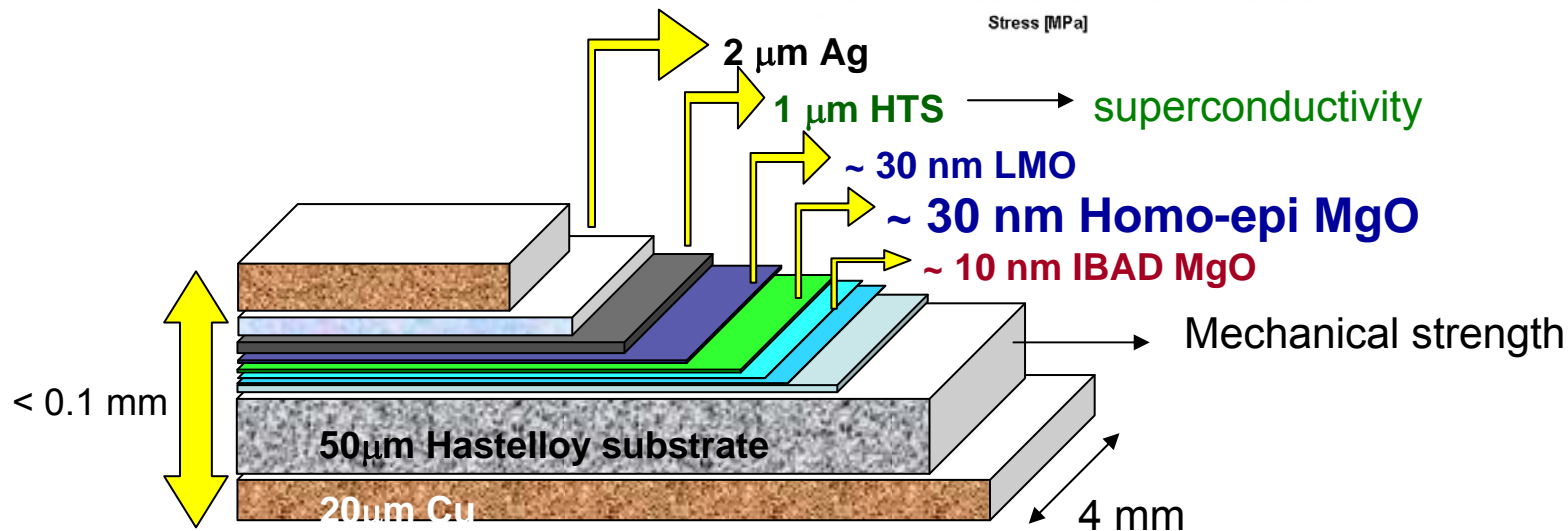
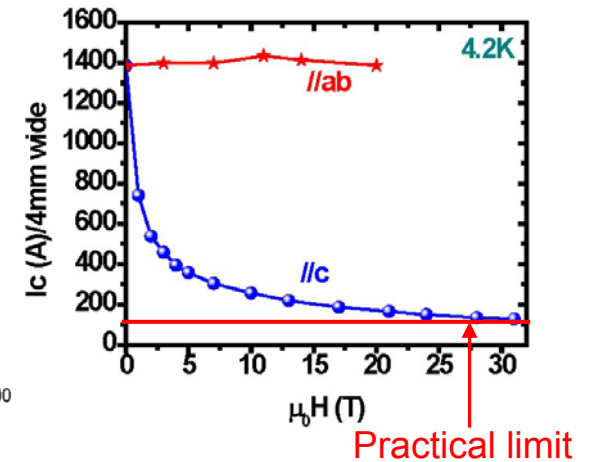
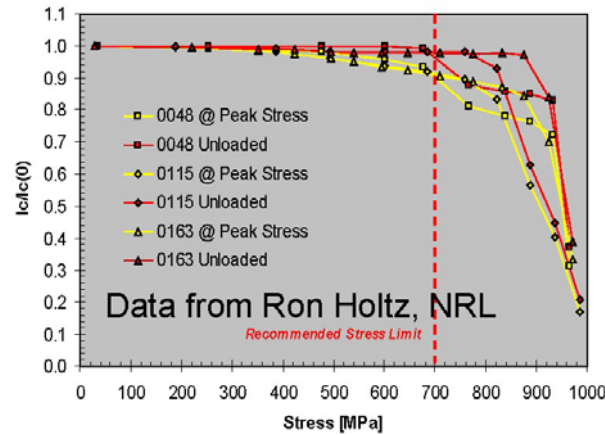
Adapted beam optics, instrumentation and detectors



# High $T_c$ superconducting magnets

Commercial HTc cables are now available:

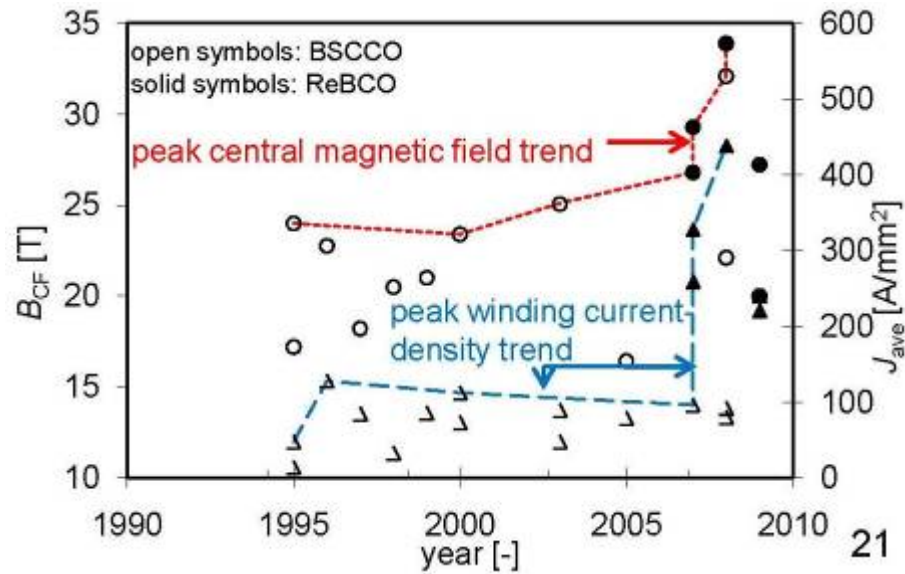
## Superpower SCS4050



- High price (100 €/m)
- Moderate UTS: 700 MPa for YBaCuO tapes, much less for BiScO wire
- Limited availability
- Quench protection problematic

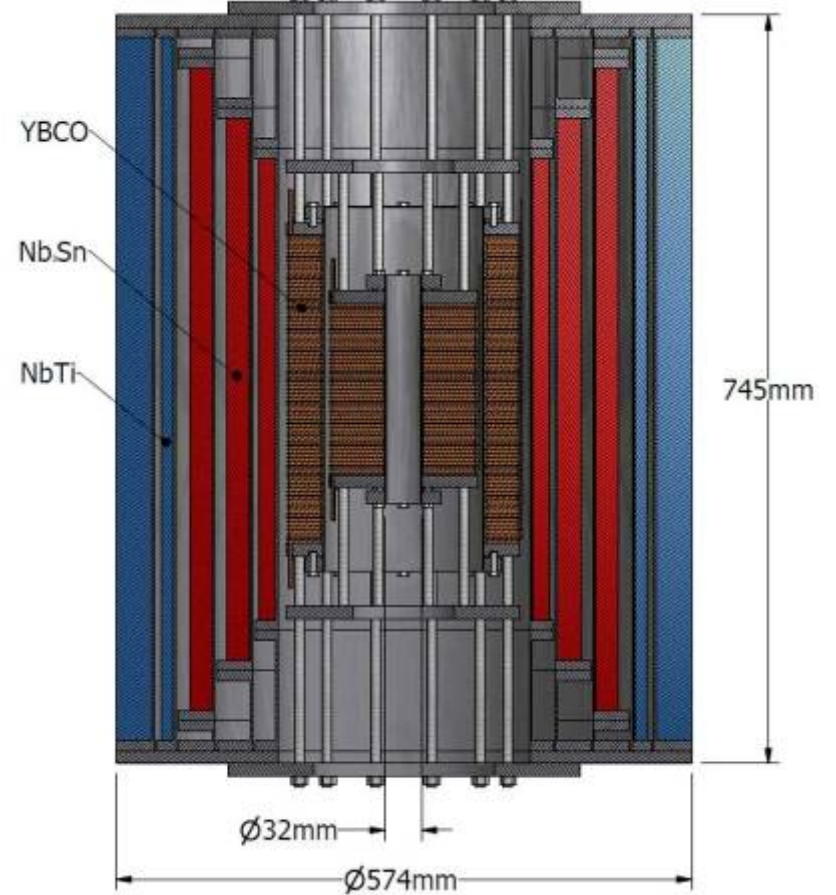
# State of the art high $T_c$ superconductor prototype

Progress HT<sub>c</sub> insert coils



NHMFL 32 T HT<sub>c</sub> magnet project

4 M€, 4 years development



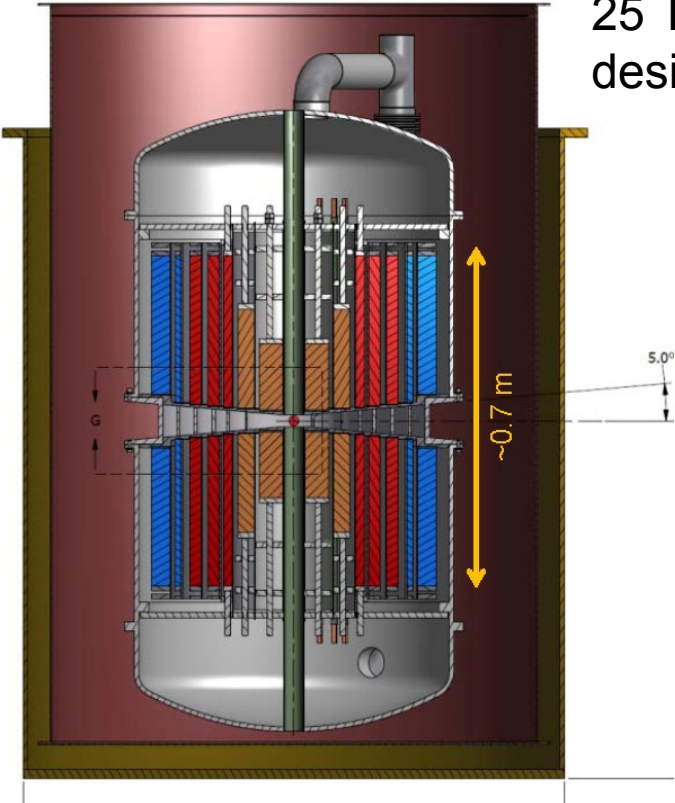
User magnet operational 2014!





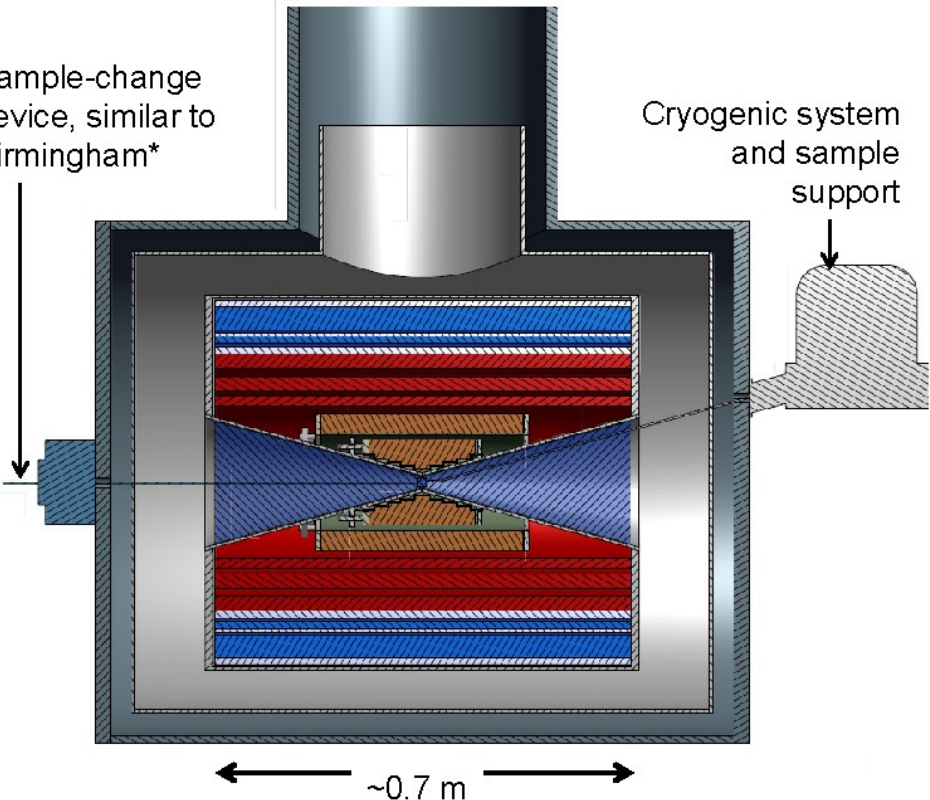
And more to come:

25 T HTc split coil design



Sample-change device, similar to Birmingham\*

Cryogenic system and sample support



\*Alex Holmes, presented at *Status and Perspectives of Neutron Research in High Magnetic Fields*, HZB, Berlin, Germany, March 2011.

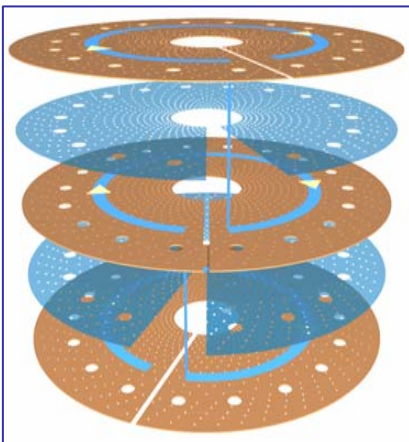
30 T HTc conical design



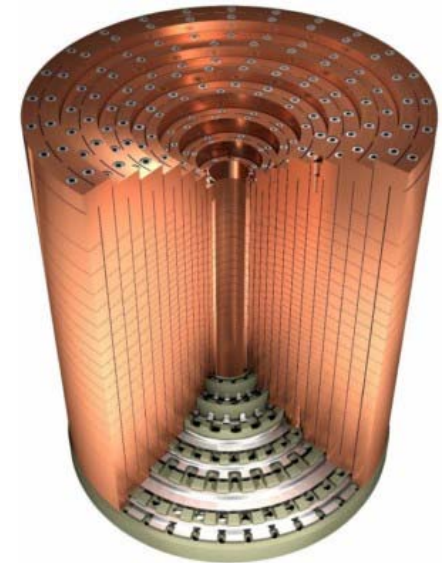
## Resistive magnets for scattering

- Resistive magnet technology (Polyhelix/Bitter) is mature up to 35 T, room for improvement up to 40T, flexible, with rapid turnaround.
- A 30 T all SC magnet will cost 10 M€, a 30 T resistive magnet 1 M€
- Large initial investments are needed in power supply and cooling (15 M€)
- Operating costs are high (1000 h = 20 GWh = 1 M€)

### Bitter plates

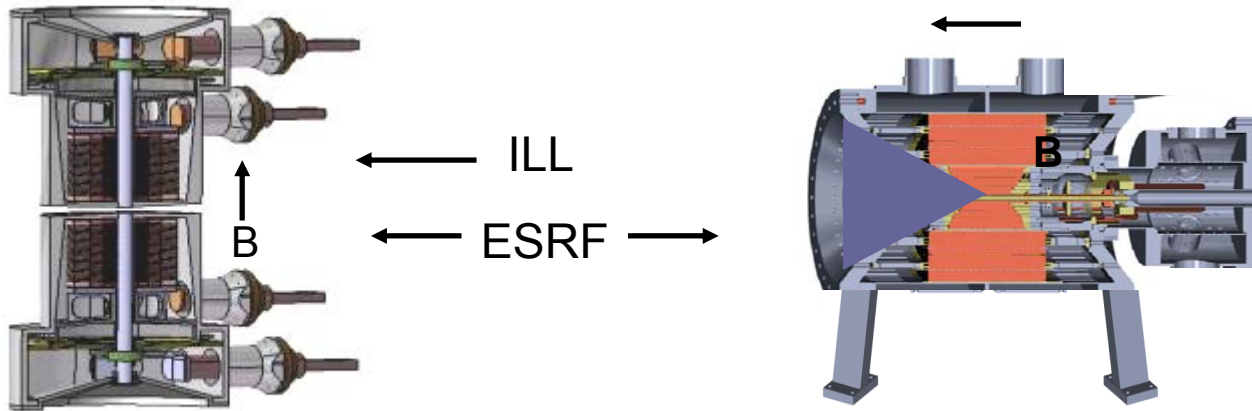


### Poly-helices



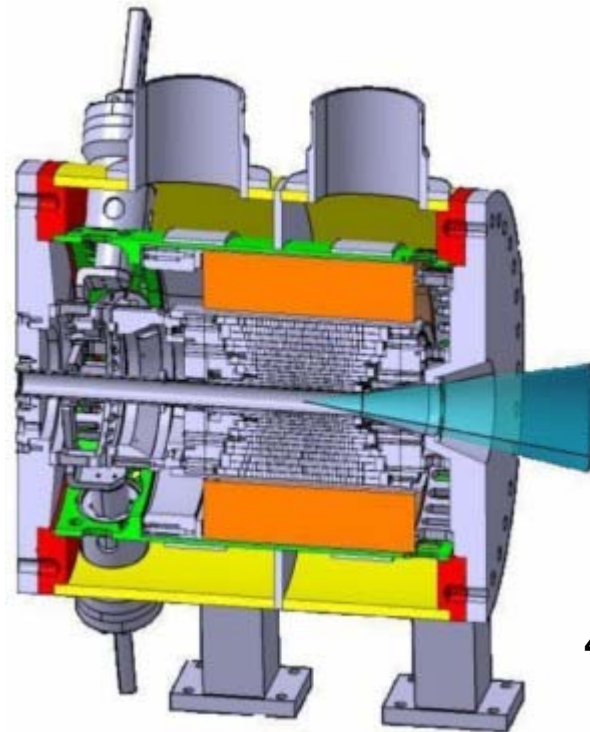


# Dedicated LNCMI coil designs for scattering experiments



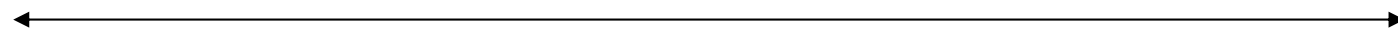
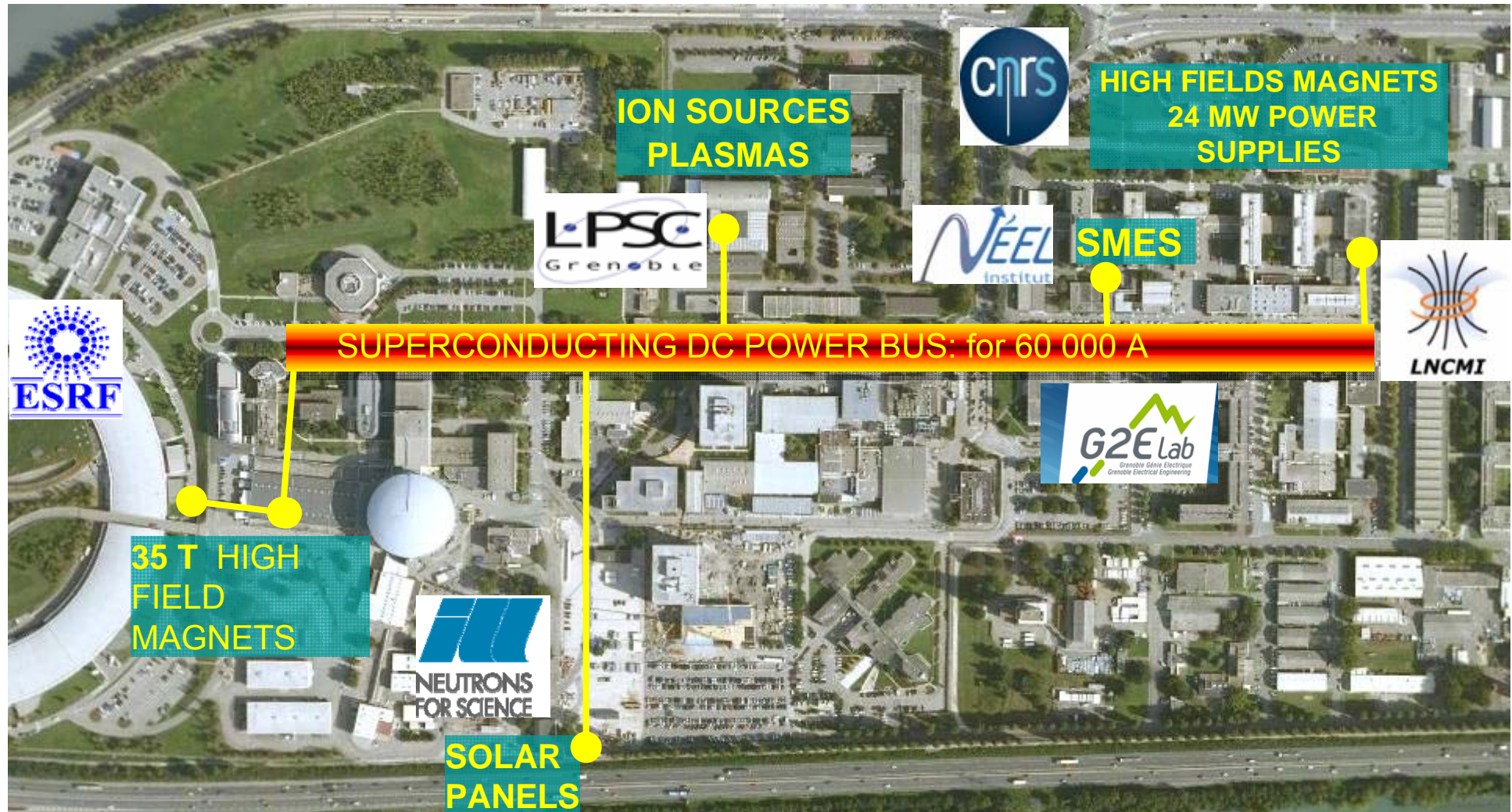
Split coil 30 T, 30 MW

30+ T, 25 MW



40 T, 40 MW

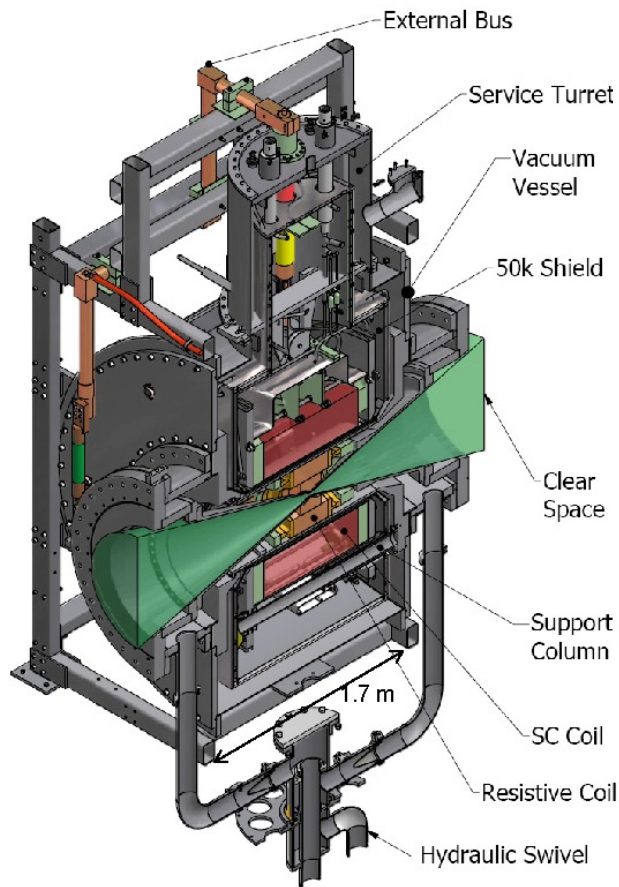
# CONNECTING LOCAL SUPERPOWER SYSTEMS FOR USERS



900 m



# NHMFL hybrid magnet designs for scattering

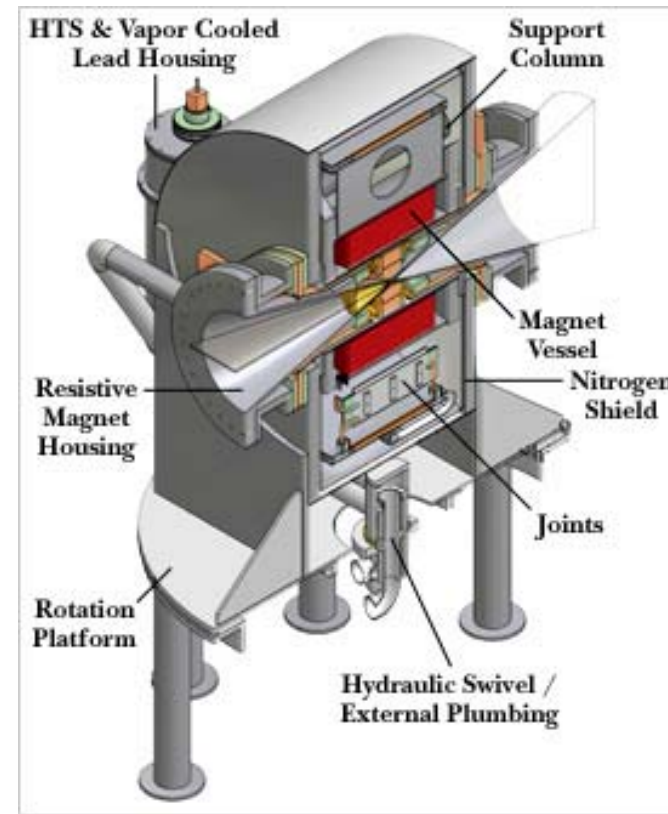


25 T, 4 MW HZB/NHMFL series connected hybrid operational mid 2014, 9 M\$

*Possible upgrades:*

30T all SC, with HTc insert

30 T with 8 MW resistive insert

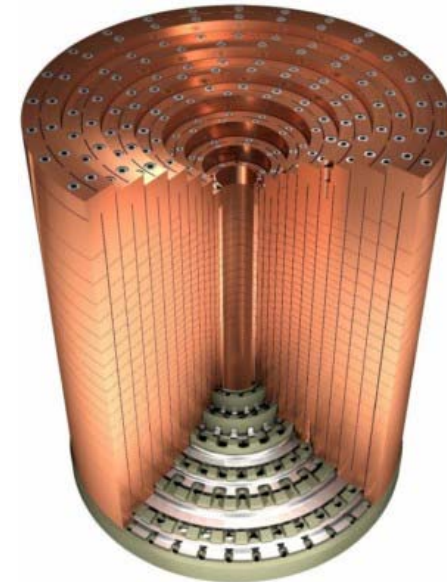


30 T, SNS/NHMFL series connected hybrid design

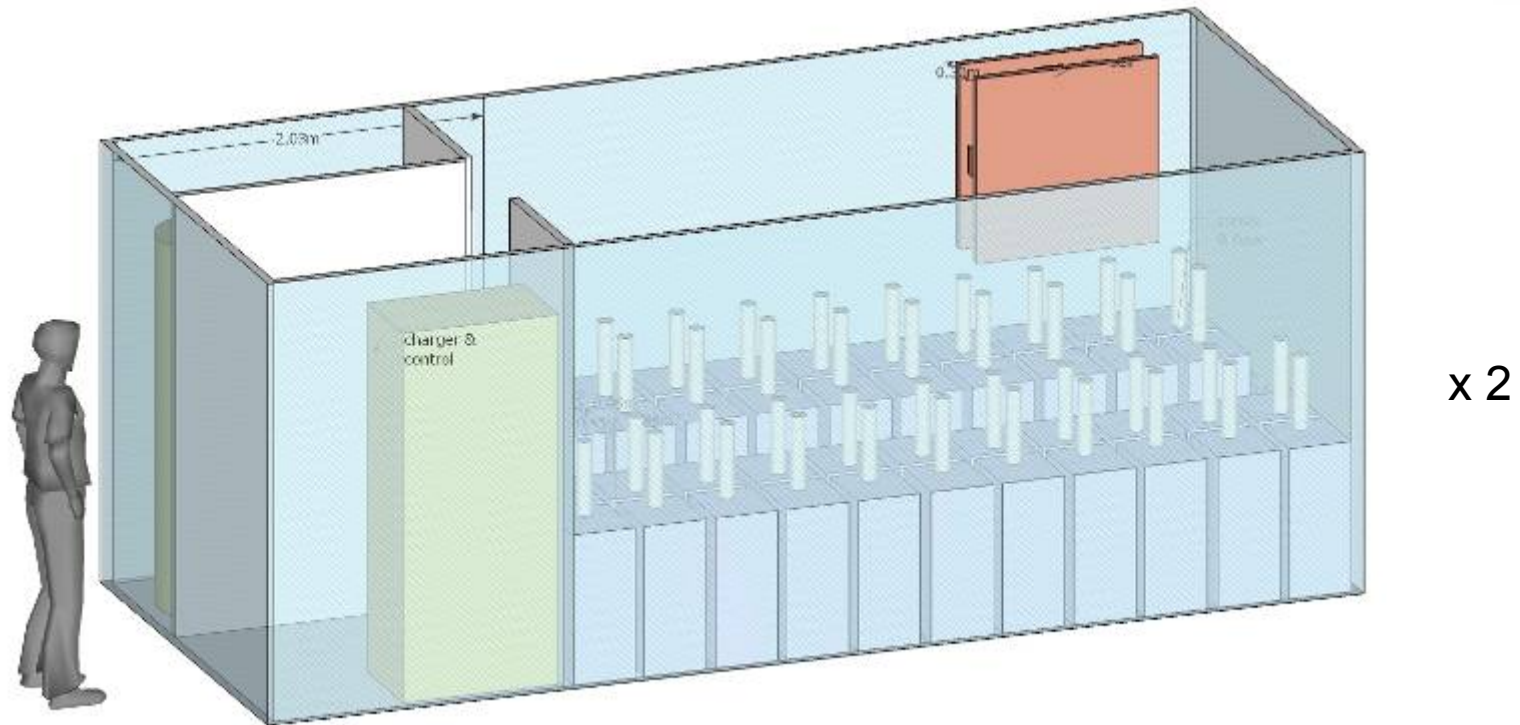


## Pulsed magnets for scattering

- Higher field (80+ T) through better materials & design and more energy
- Longer lifetime at current maximum fields
- Longer pulses for better data acquisition
- Higher duty cycle through polyhelix technology ( $\approx 10^{-3}$ )



# Next generation mobile pulsed field installation: more energy



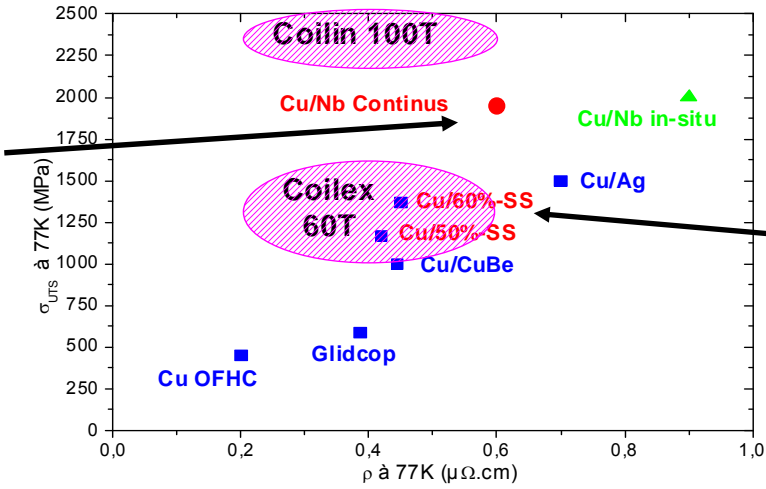
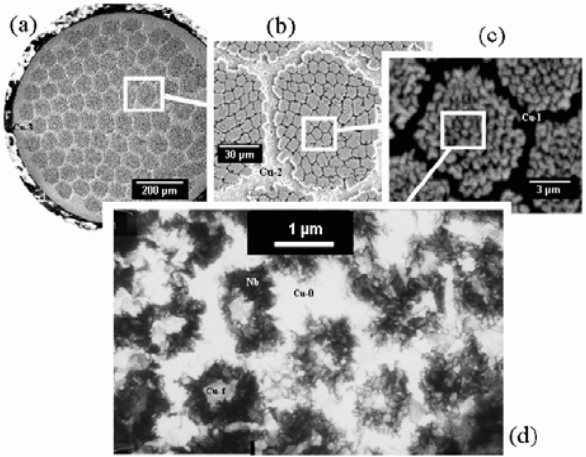
6 MJ, 24 kV in 2 x 20 foot sea containers → **80 T anywhere, 100+ T in Toulouse**

(under construction, available Feb. 2013)



# Materials development for high field magnets

Conductors: better conductivity-strength trade-off:



Reinforcements:

material	UTS (GPa)
Maraging steel	2,7
Zylon	5,5
graphene	130 !!



## **Conclusion**

- High magnetic fields for X ray and neutron scattering are now rapidly developing
- There is still a big development potential

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