



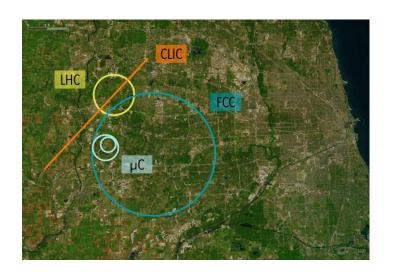


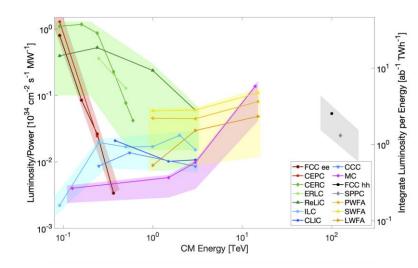
# **Muon Collider Demonstrator Program**

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### **Motivation**

- Muons as compared to protons
  - Are leptons & use all energy in a collision
  - Need less collision energy for same physics
- Muons as compared electrons
  - Muons emit little synchrotron radiation
  - Acceleration in rings possible to many TeV
- A Muon Collider (MuC) can serve as energy reach and precision machine at the same time
- In a MuC, **luminosity** to power ratio improves substantially with energy





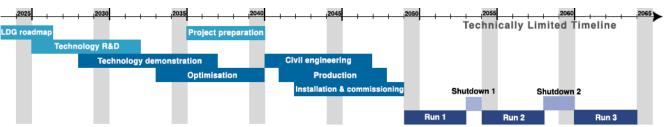


# International Muon Collider Collaboration (IMCC)

- International Muon Collider R&D activities are coordinated by the IMCC
  - Very active collaboration since 2021, over 50 institutions have signed formal agreements
  - Progress on many fronts of the accelerator & detector design
- US scientists actively engaged with IMCC
  - US representatives in IMCC leadership
  - 7 Universities signed MoU, more to come
  - DOE CERN collaborative agreement in progress, that will enable labs to official join









### The USMCC



Ratified a charter on May 8, 2025

Elected Leadership on July 31

- Define necessary work for mid-P5 panel
- Design a US demonstrator
- Engage with the international community
- Create a long-term vision for Fermilab that leads to a muon collider
- Build on a theory-driven physics case

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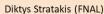
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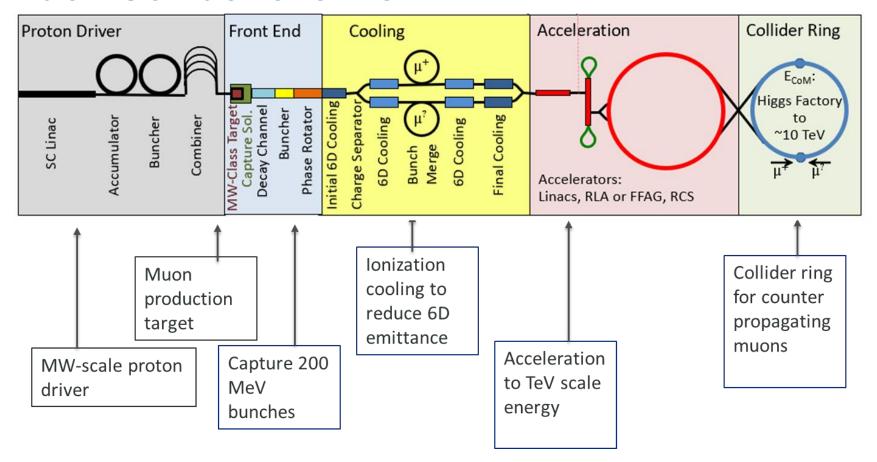


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- Currently nearly 250 members. Still possible to join USMCC!
- Self subscribe to the mailing list



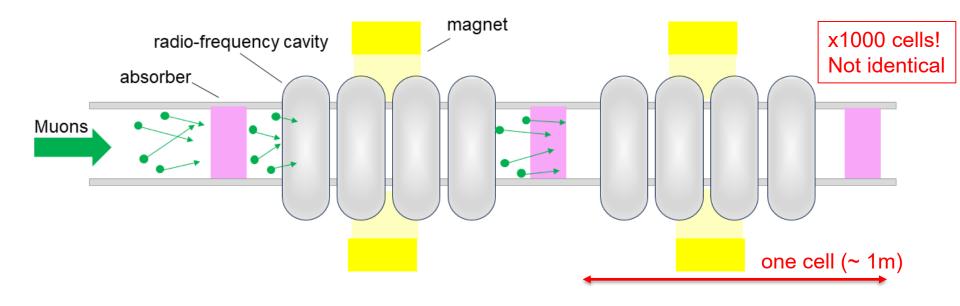
### **Muon Collider overview**



- Cooling has huge leverage on the overall machine design
  - What proton power is required? What target technology to choose?
  - What luminosities can be envisioned?



# Concept of ionization cooling



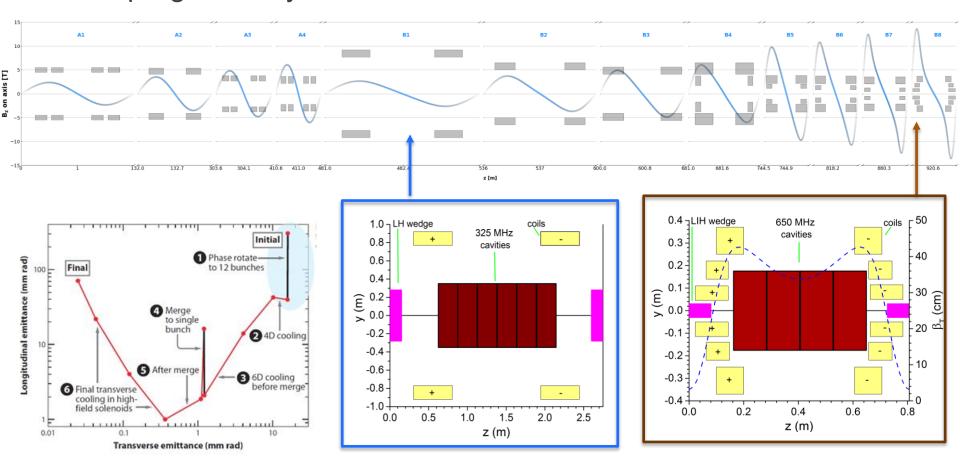
### Considerations for MuC cooling:

- Beam size must be small at the absorber to reduce scattering
- Absorbers with low Z and large energy loss must be selected
- Magnetic field has to increase in strength over distance to keep cooling
- The magnetic field, makes normal conducting (NC) cavities the only option



# Integration & technology questions

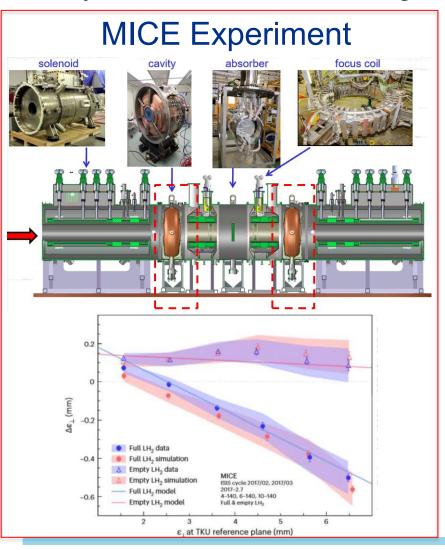
- 12 stages, with each stage having ~ 100 identical cells
- Field progressively increases from 2 T to >14 T

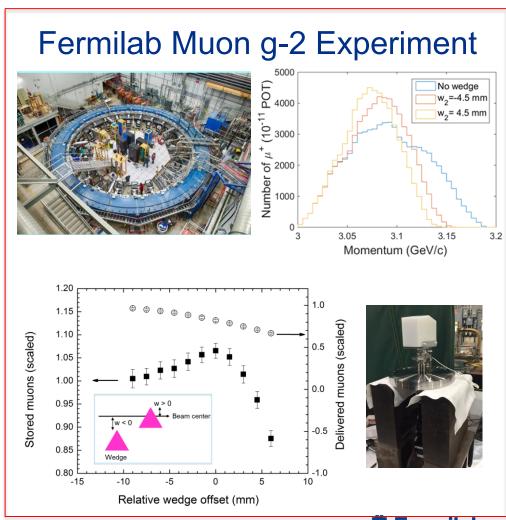




# **Principle verification**

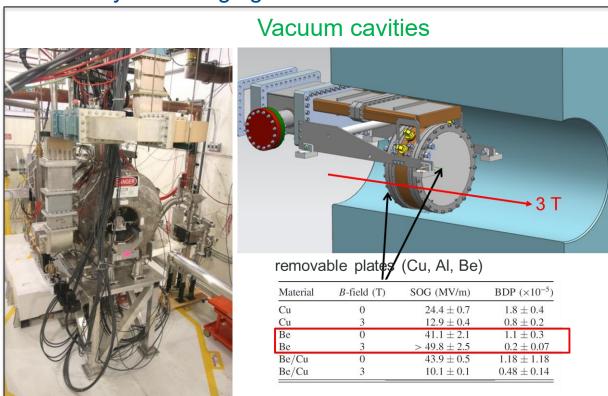
Physics of ionization cooling has been demonstrated in two occasions

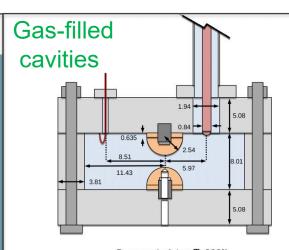


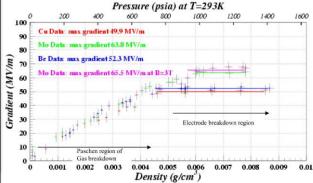


# NC cavities in magnetic fields

- Behavior of NC cavities in B-fields (up to 3 T) was tested at Fermilab
  - Two technologies have demonstrated mitigation
  - Very encouraging!







Tests at higher B-field needed!



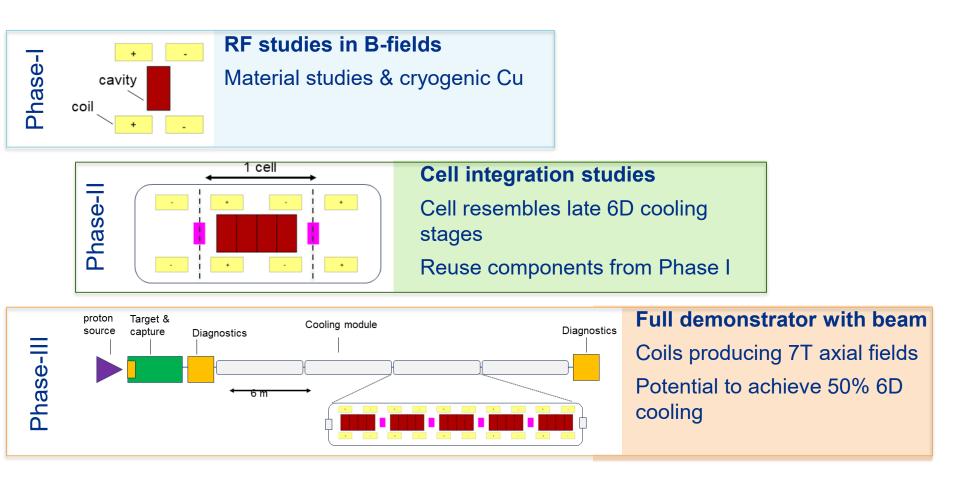
# Motivation for a cooling demonstrator

- The principle of ionization cooling has been demonstrated
- As a next step it is critical to benchmark a realistic cooling lattice
  - This will give us the input, knowledge, and experience to design a real, operational cooling channel for a MuC
- It will advance magnet technology since we will design, prototype and test solenoids similar to those needed for a MuC
  - Synergistic with fusion reactors and axion dark matter searches
- It will advance rf cavity technology since we will design, prototype and test NC cavities similar to those need for a MuC
  - Opportunity to develop efficient klystrons that can be useful for future colliders
  - Opportunity to develop technology towards very high-gradient rf cavities for future colliders



# Muon demonstrator staging

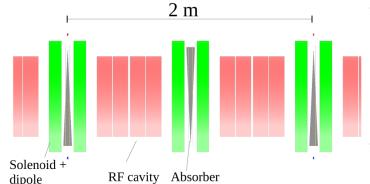
Detailed parameters will depend on available funding and resources





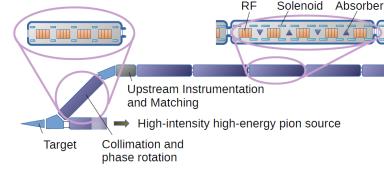
#### Full demonstrator with beam

- Design in progress
  - Muon source, target and transport
  - Beam transport
  - Cooling channel
- Investing synergies with other applications



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

	Muon energy, MeV	Total length, m	Total # of cells	B_max, T	6D emm. reduction	Beam loss, %
Full scale MC	200	~980	~820	2-14	x 1/10 <sup>5</sup>	~70%
Demonstrator	200	48	24	0.5-7	x 1/2	4-6%



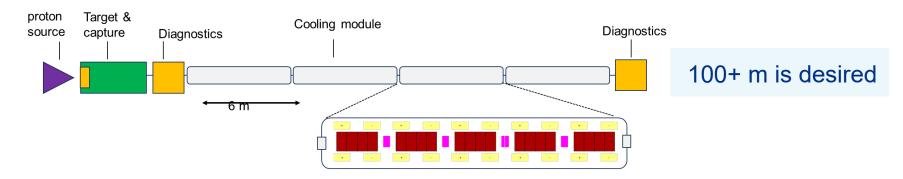
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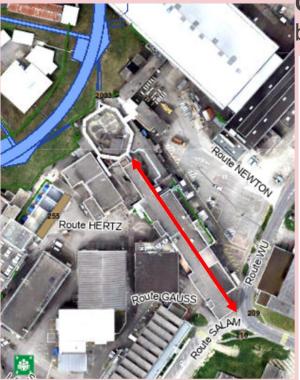
Fermilab and CERN have started design work to host such a Cooling **Demonstrator** 

Downstream



### Candidate locations at CERN





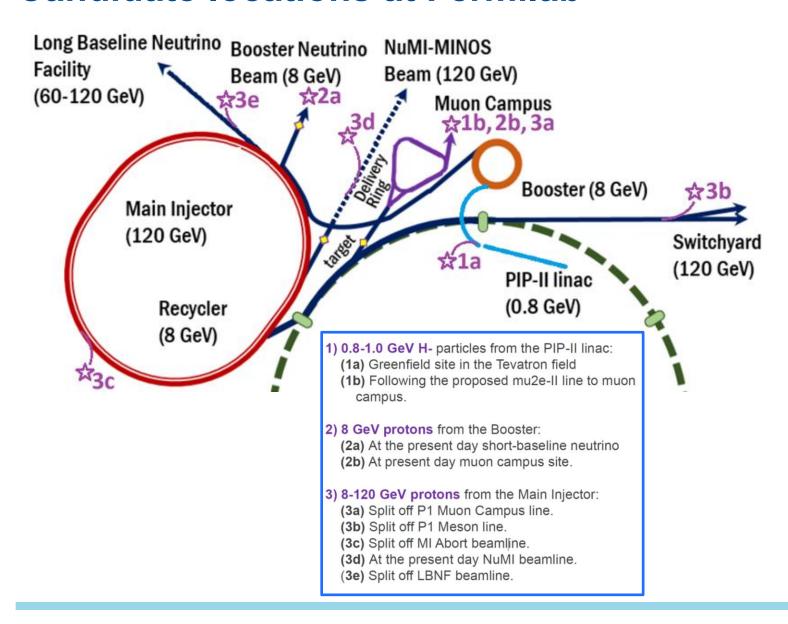
**CTF3**: ~10 kW beam power, plenty of space but requires a new extraction line from the PS



**TT7:** Less intense, less space, but no need for a new PS extraction line

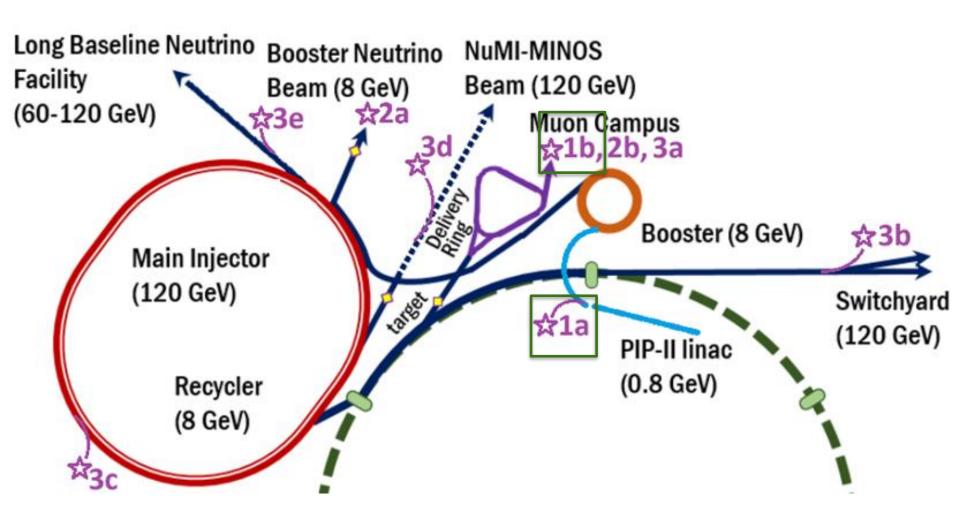


### Candidate locations at Fermilab





### 0.8-1.0+ GeV scenarios at Fermilab



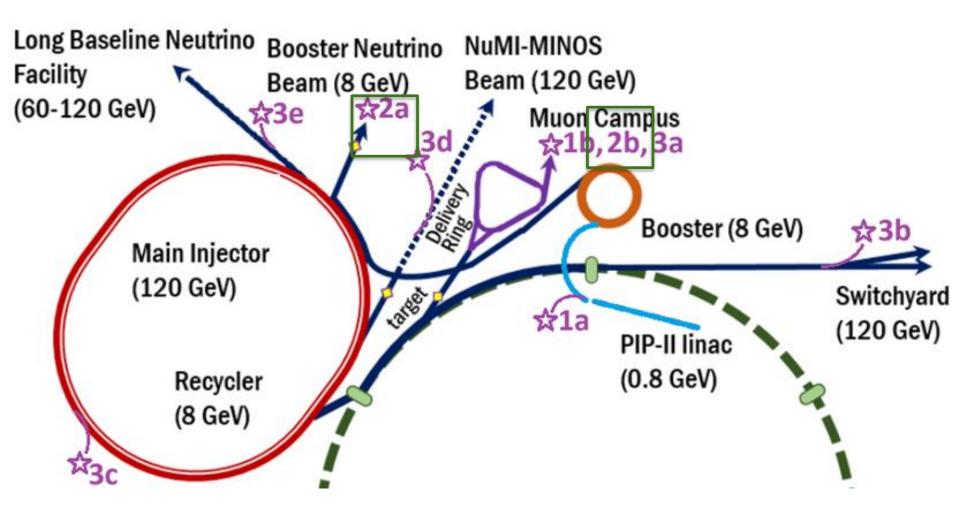


### 0.8-1.0+ GeV protons from PIP-II linac

- Excellent proton availability
  - CW operation of the PIP-II linac would supply 1.6 MW of beam power, only 1% which is used for the Fermilab booster (the rest is potentially available for experiments)
- Green field sitting near PIP-II linac
  - Abundant real-estate in the Tevatron field, proximity to PIP-II power/cryo
  - Scenarios to send this beam to Muon Campus for Mu2e-II are under study
- Expect 0.8 GeV particles but 1.0+ GeV scenarios are also considered
- Synergies with other proposed experiments are possible
  - Proposed low-energy muon facility (muSR)
  - Proposed Fermilab facility for dark discovery (F2D2) beam dump physics program



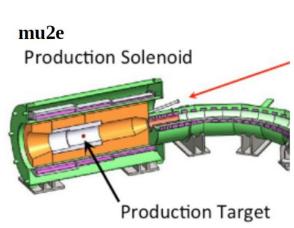
### 8 GeV scenarios at Fermilab





# Site at Fermilab: Muon Campus

Designed to provide beam for the Muon g-2 and Mu2e experiments



Excellent opportunity to examine targets under 5 T field



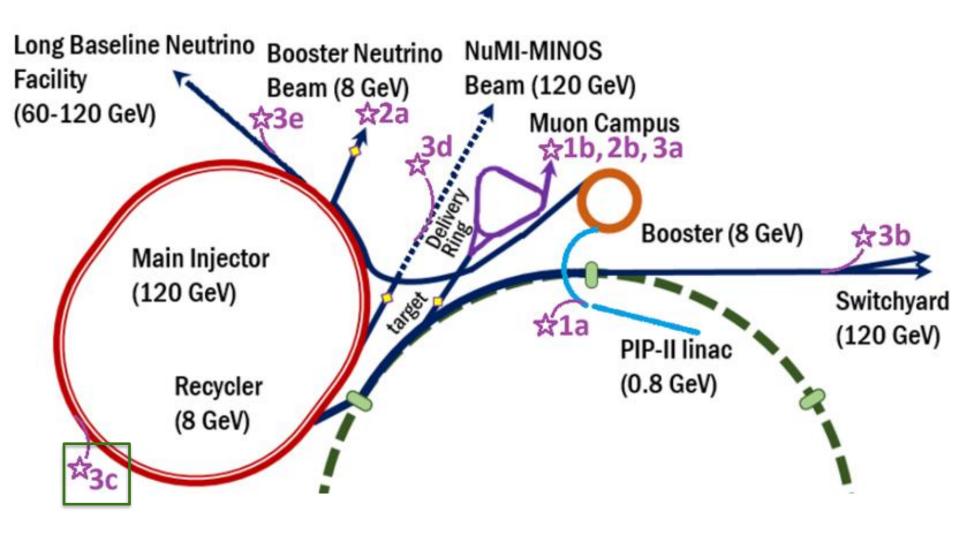


### 8 GeV protons from the booster

- Excellent proton availability
  - 81 bunches, each 1.2 ns separated at 19 ns intervals, 6.5e12 protons in 1.5 microsecond pulse
- Sitting at Muon Campus
  - Options to manipulate beam in Recycler before Muon Campus
  - Can start at the end of the Mu2e program (2033) and take advantage of existing tunnel and infrastructure.
  - Will require use of the Recycler which is parasitic to the LBNF program
  - A 7% reduction of LBNF 2.1 MW beam power for ~ 10 kW at 8 GeV
- Siting at the Short-Baseline Neutrino Target Hall
  - Can start at the end of the SBN program (3-5 years)
  - No impact on LBNF: corresponds roughly to a 10+ kW at 8 GeV



### 8-120 GeV scenarios at Fermilab





# 8-120 GeV protons from Fermilab Main Injector

- Low-duty factor intense proton pulse
  - 972 bunches each 2 ns separated at 19 n intervals, 78e12 protons in 9 microsecond pulse
- Direct extraction from Main Injector
  - Multiple beamline options, depending real estate and infrastructure needs
  - MI abort was the planned site for NuSTORM
  - Operation is parasitic to the LBNF program: A 5% reduction in 2.1 MW LBNF beam corresponds to 105 kW at 120 GeV
- 8-120 GeV tunable energy
  - Proton energy can be set by the demonstrator needs, option to vary the energy in some locations



# **Future Steps**

- Per P5, a targeted panel is expected to review demonstrator facilities in the collider R&D portfolios later this decade
  - In preparation for this, we need to prepare a Demonstrator conceptual design AND a detailed study on possible US sitting locations
- Fermilab with access to high-power proton beams and technological expertise, is the ideal place for a Cooling Demonstrator
  - It requires dedicated studies for designing this facility and exploring its implementation within the Fermilab accelerator complex.
- LDRD has been awarded to Explore candidate sites of a cooling Demonstrator facility within Fermilab (2-3 years)
  - Good enough to look at sites within Fermilab and evaluate performance
  - Evaluate risks and carry out preliminary engineering designs
  - Will require more funding for final engineering design and detailed cost analysis

