

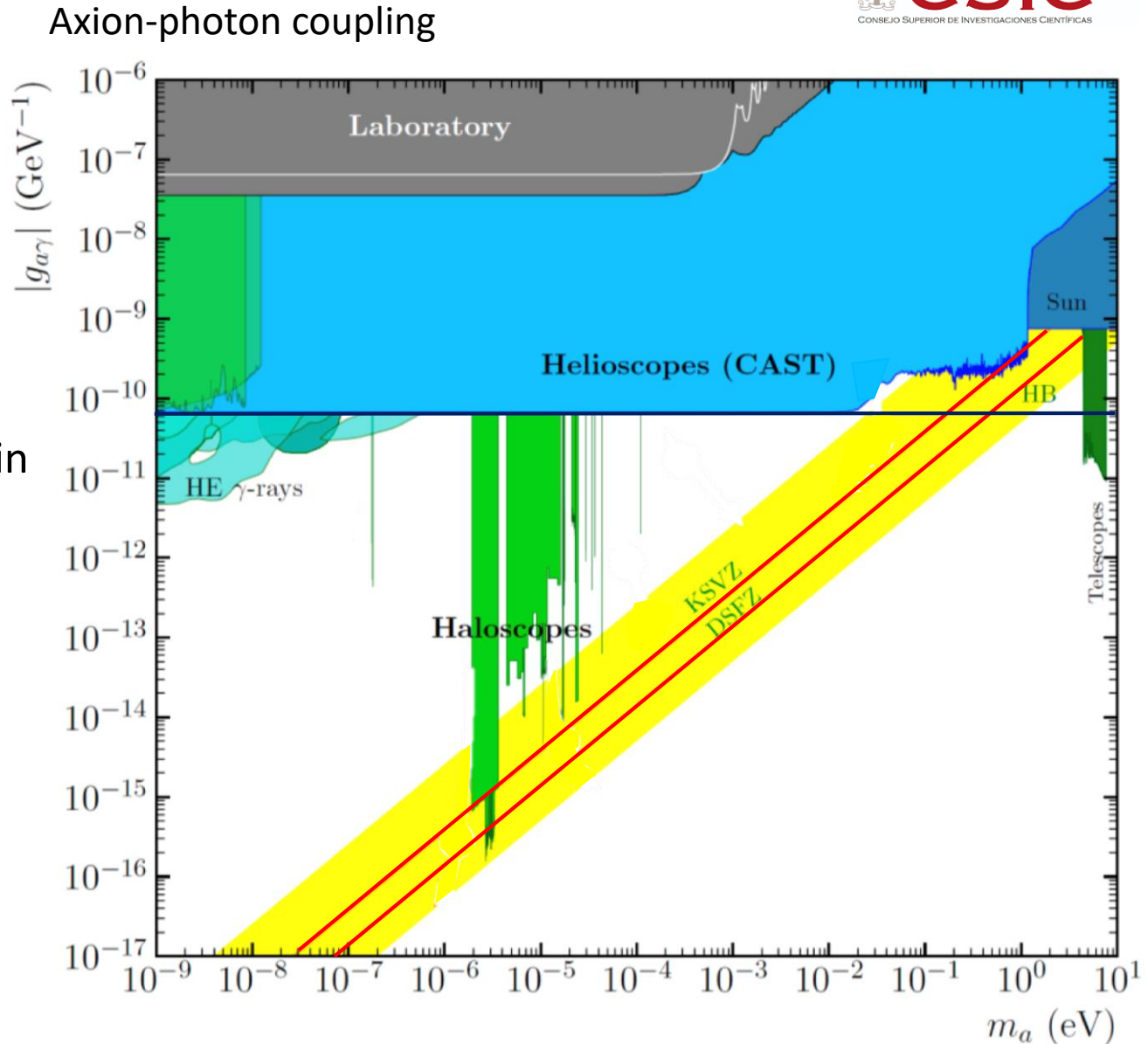
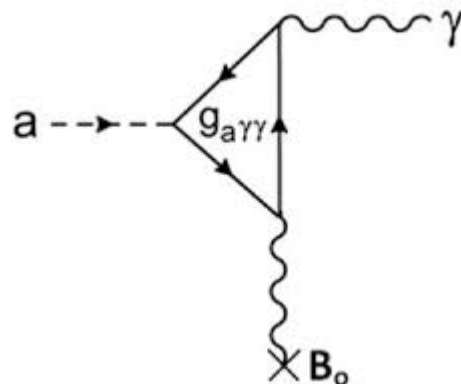
# High Temperature Superconducting coatings in microwave cavities for dark matter search

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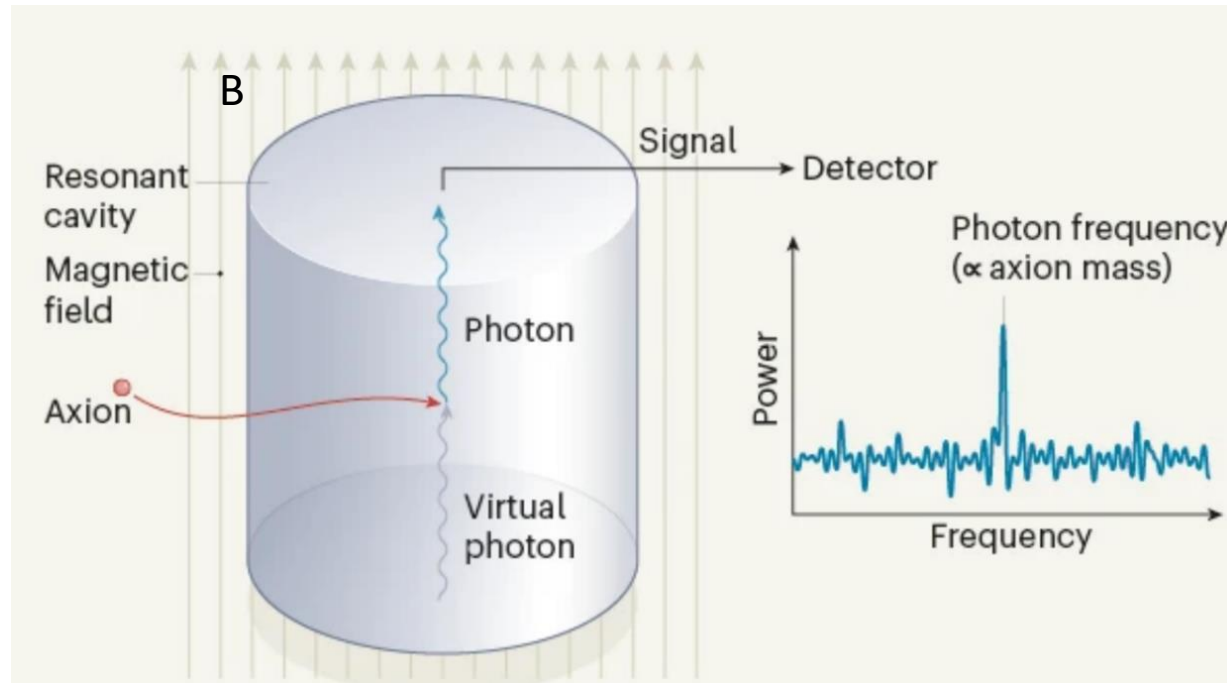
# Dark Matter Axions hypothesis

- Originated from the early universe
- Form part of the galactic dark matter halo
- Expected to interact very weakly with ordinary matter and radiation
- Predicted as abundant, long life, low energy within spread for orders of magnitude (meV- $\mu$ eV)
- Could be detected in Haloscope resonant cavities by converting axions into photons under a strong magnetic field



# Dark Matter Axion Detection

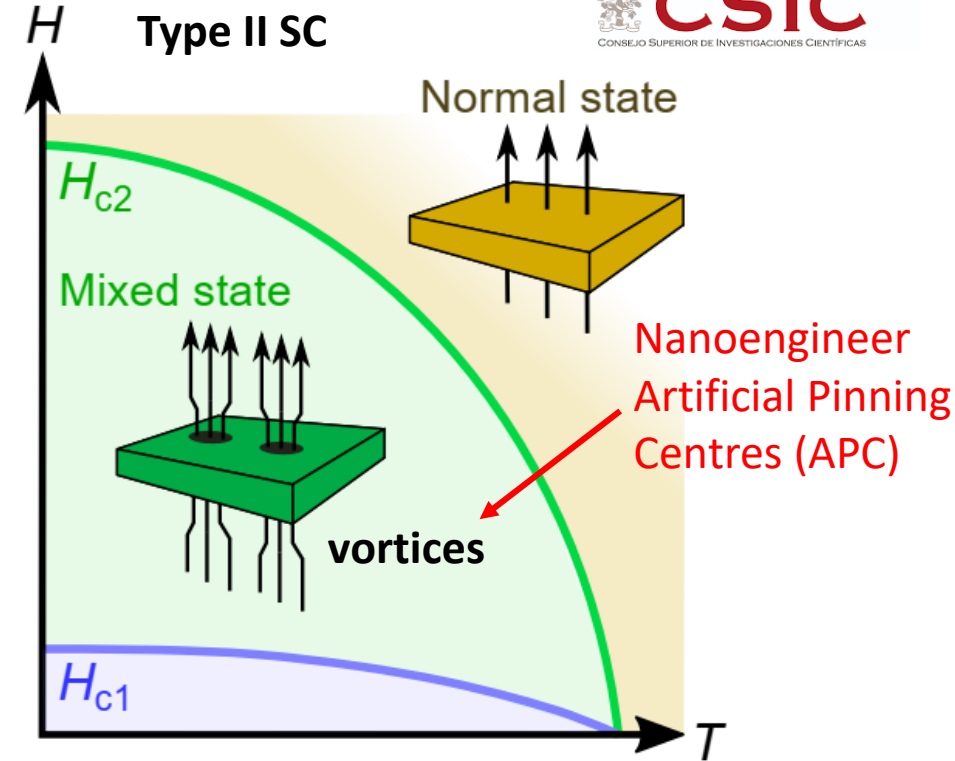
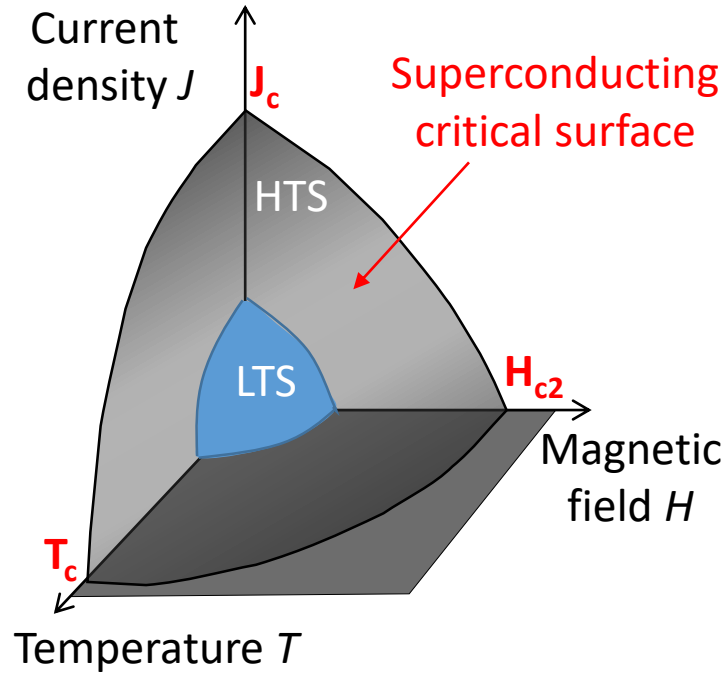
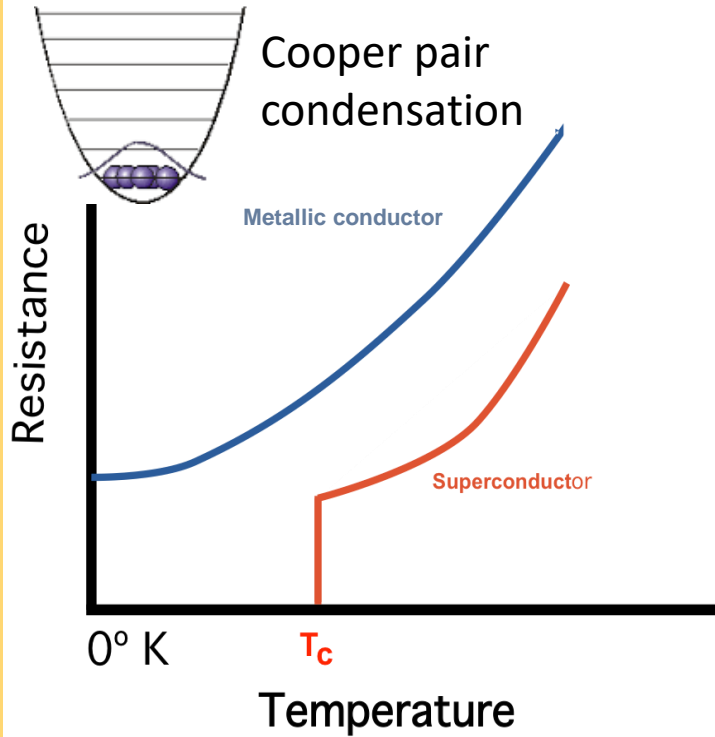
## Axion haloscopes in MW



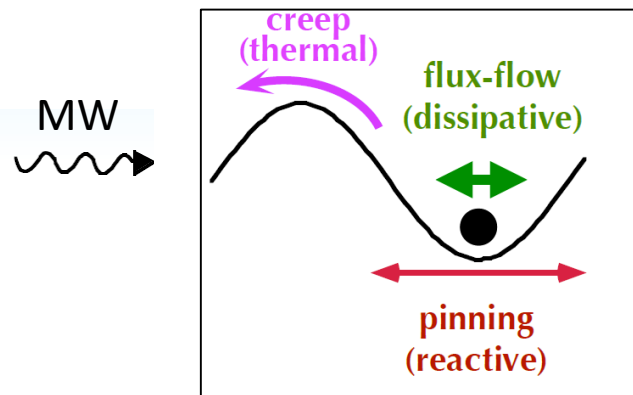
Coupling constant  
 Axion density  
 Axion mass  
 Power signal  $P_s \propto g_{a\gamma}^2 Q B^2 V \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2}$   
 Cavity Quality factor  
 Magnetic field  
 Cavity volume

We want cavities of high  $Q$  at high magnetic fields  $B$ :  $\uparrow Q \rightarrow \downarrow R_s$   
**High Temperature Superconductors (HTS) can be ideal materials**

# Superconductors



## Vortices under Microwave radiation



$$R_s(H_{MW}, B, T) = R_{BCS}(H_{MW}, 0, T) + R_{res}(H_{rf}, 0, 0) + R_{vm}(H_{MW}, B, T)$$

Surface Resistance

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$R_{res} \cong$  Contribution from impurities and defects

$R_{vm} \cong$  Losses induced by vortices

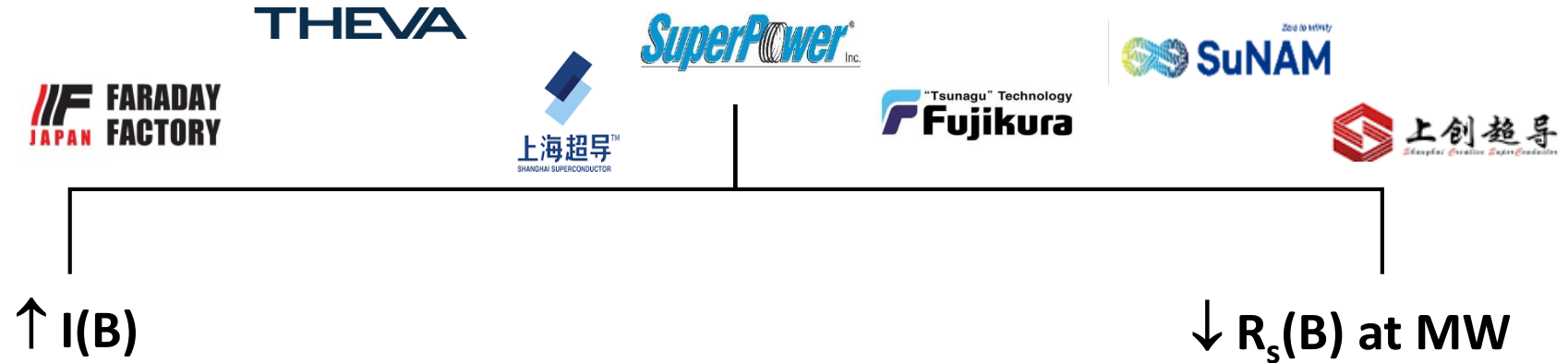
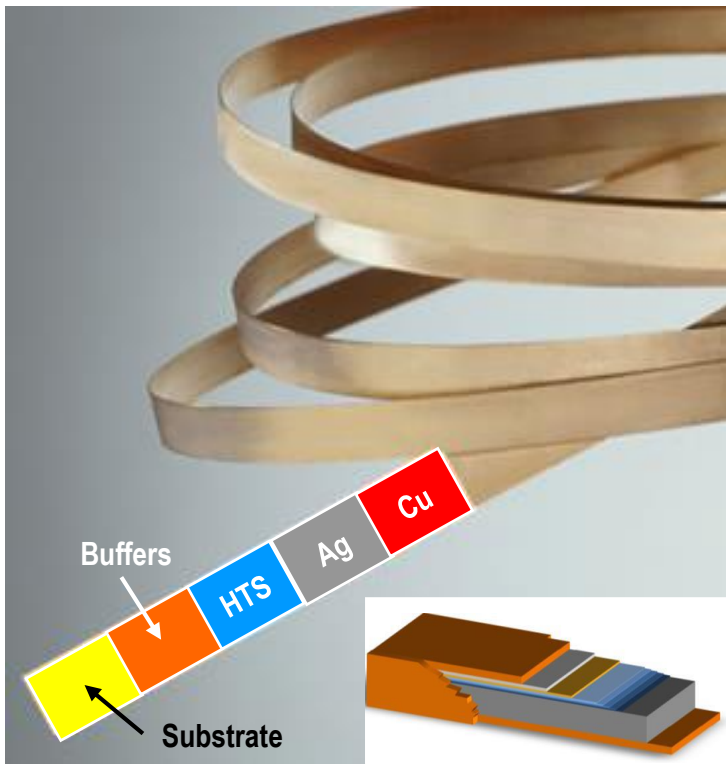
$v_{MW} < v_{depinning} \rightarrow$  APC modulate dissipation



# HTS Coated Conductors

$T_c \approx 92 \text{ K}$ ,  $H_{c2} (4.2\text{K}) > 100 \text{ T}$ ,  $H_{irr} (4.2\text{K}) > 60 \text{ T}$

$I_c(20\text{T}, 4.2\text{K}) = 1000\text{-}1600 \text{ A/cm-w}$   
 in km length

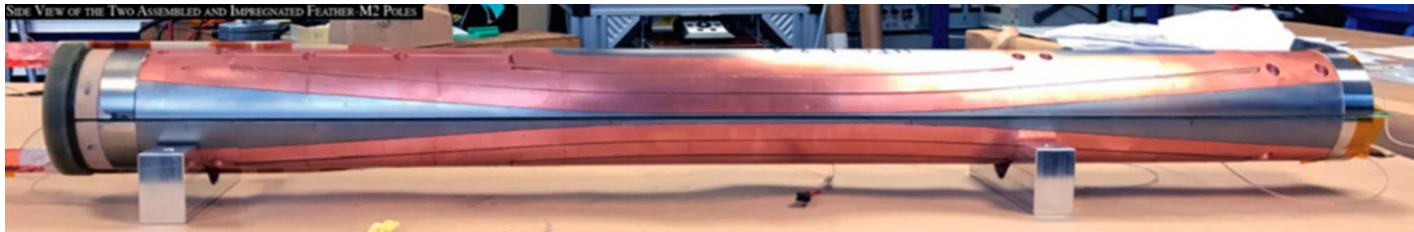


↑  $I(B)$

↓  $R_s(B)$  at MW

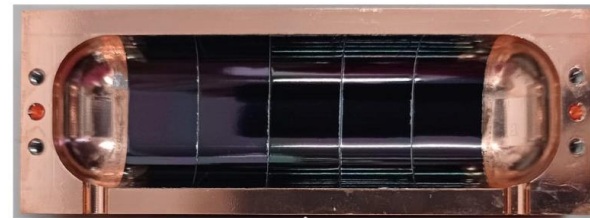
**HEP: HTS Magnets > 20 T (4.2 K- 20 K)**  
 FCC-hh, muon collider, test magnets ...

Feather M2 HTS dipole accelerator magnet



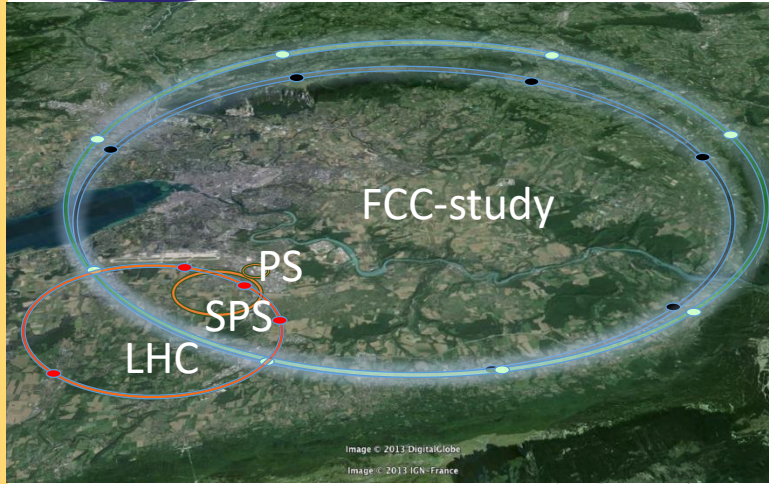
L. Rossi et al, Instruments (2021)

**HEP: HTS coatings for ↑ Q cavities**  
 Beam screen FCC-hh, RADES, linear collider,  
 muon collider, ...



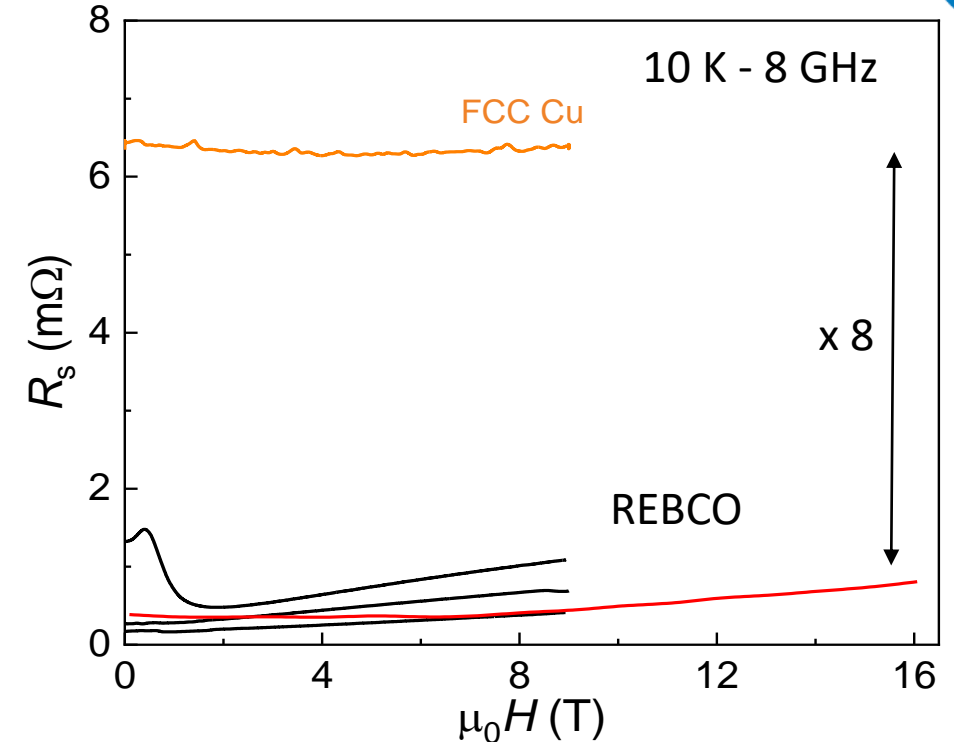
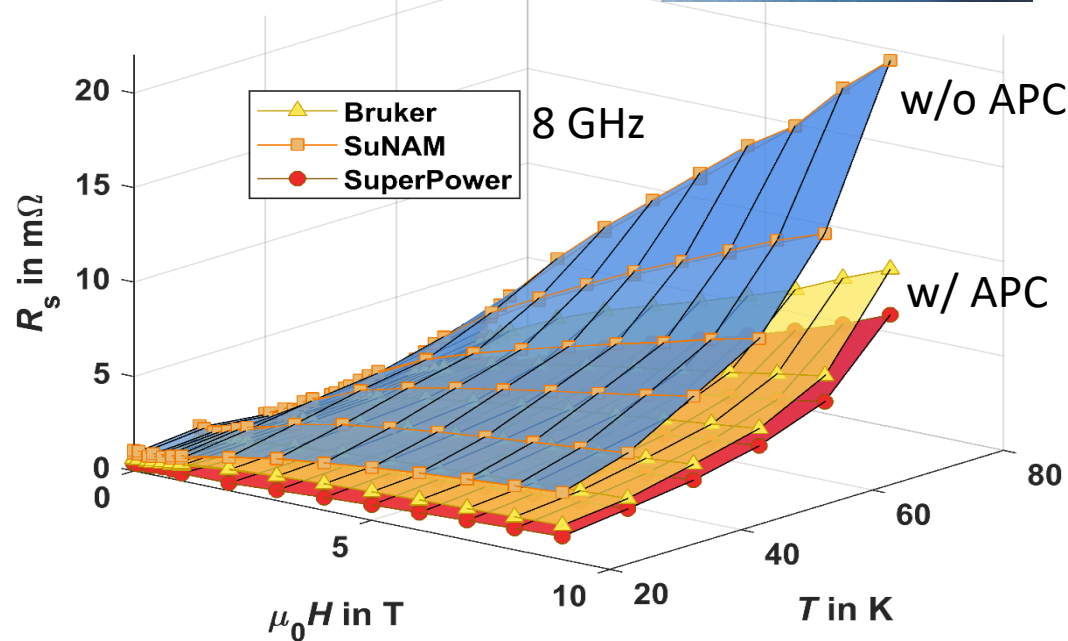
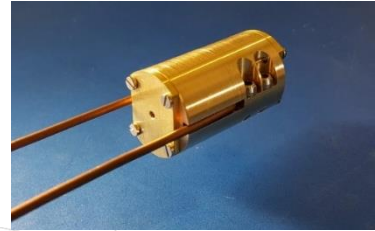
RADES cavity

J. Golm et al, IEEE TAS (2022)



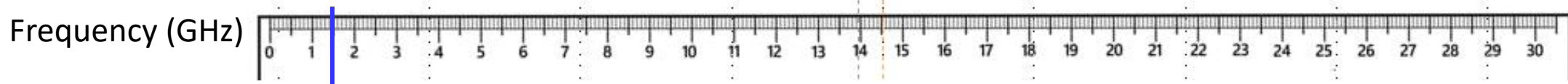
MW Range 1-10 GHz very much unexplored

- 8 GHz dielectric resonator
- Operating in the  $TE_{011}$  mode

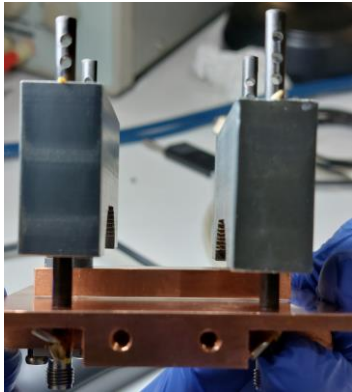


**HTS is a very good replacement of Cu in MW cavities**  
 ( $\downarrow R_s \rightarrow \uparrow Q$ )

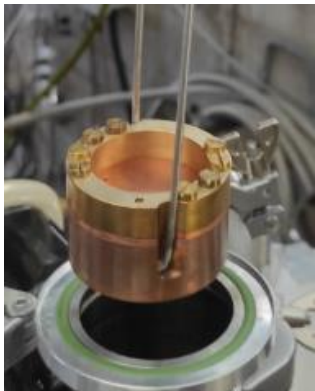
$\nu_{depining} (4.2 - 77 K) \approx 20 - 40 GHz$



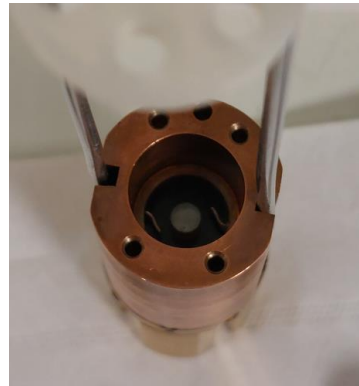
**Parallel plate resonators**  
Under synchrotron radiation



Under B for 16 T system



**Dielectric resonators**  
Under B for both 9 T and 16 T system



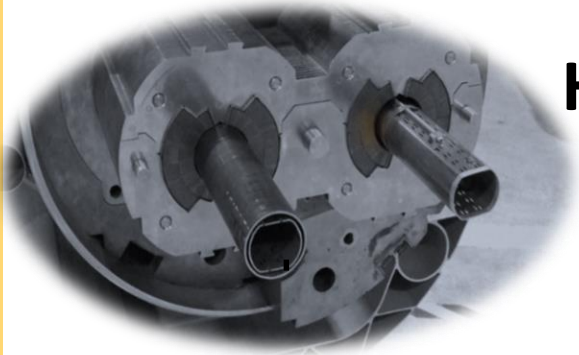
Multimode cavity (6.5, 8, 10 GHz)



**16 T system with 50 mm useful bore adapted to MW measurements**

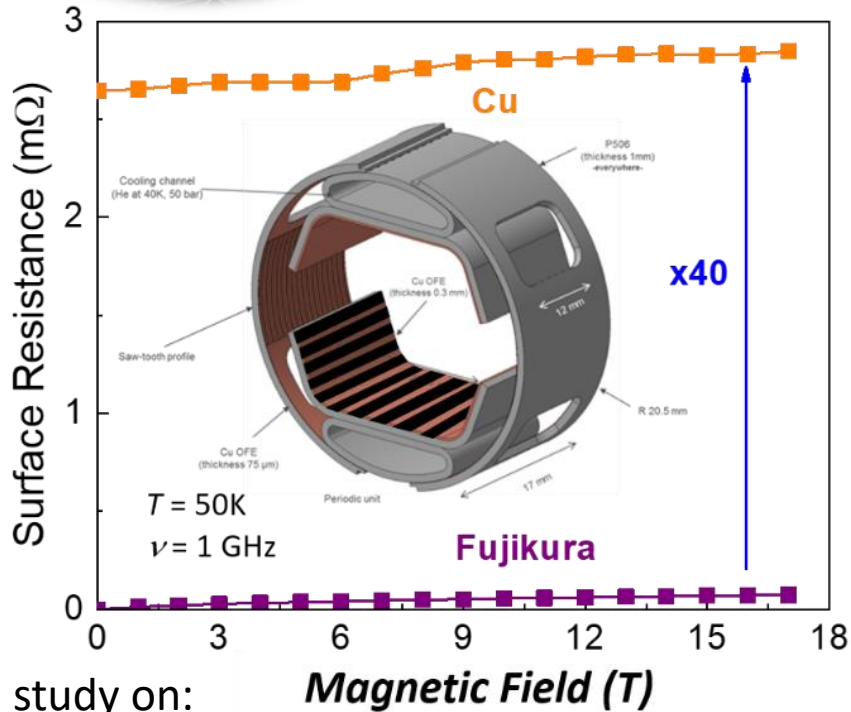






# HTS coating of the beam screen of FCC-hh study

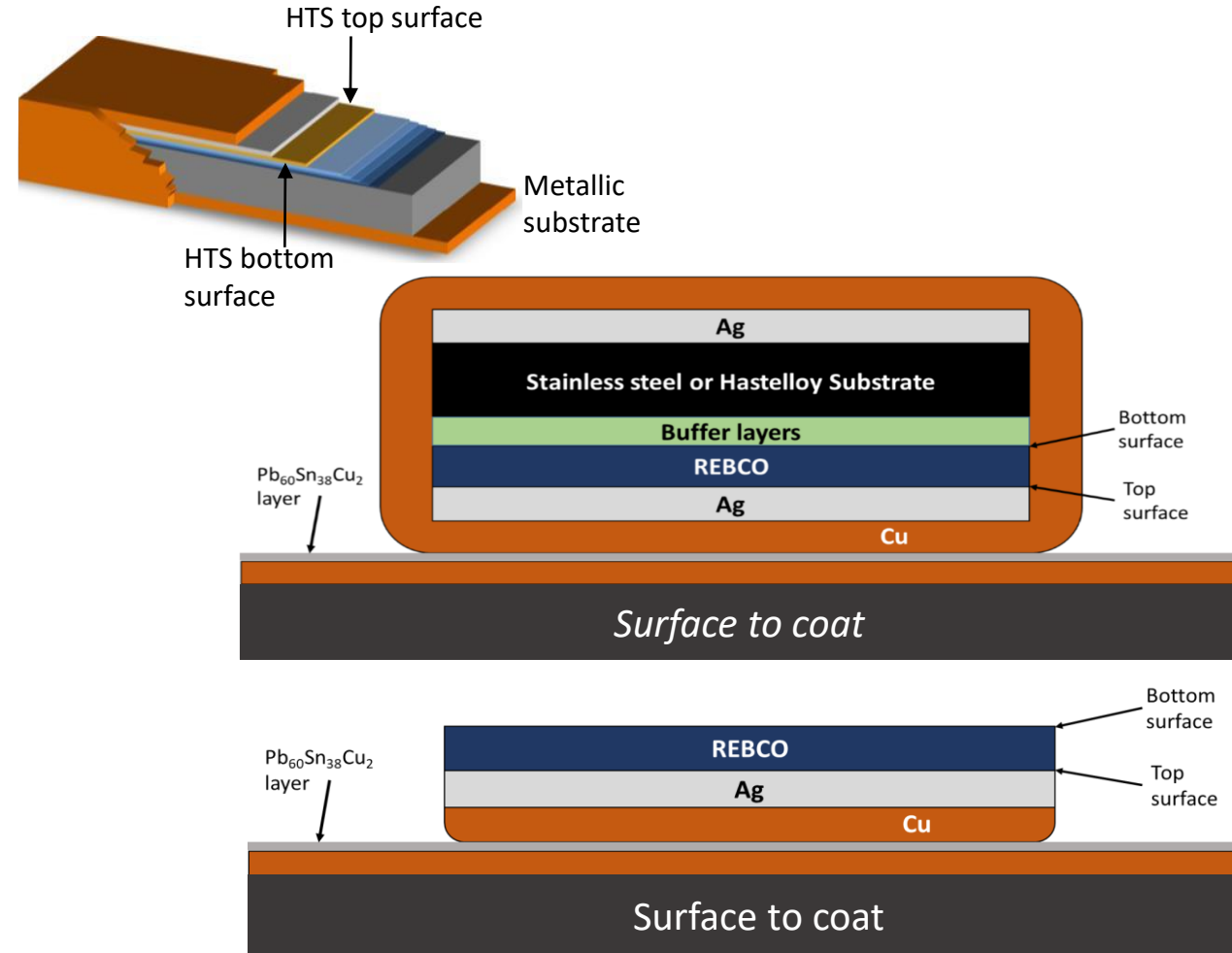
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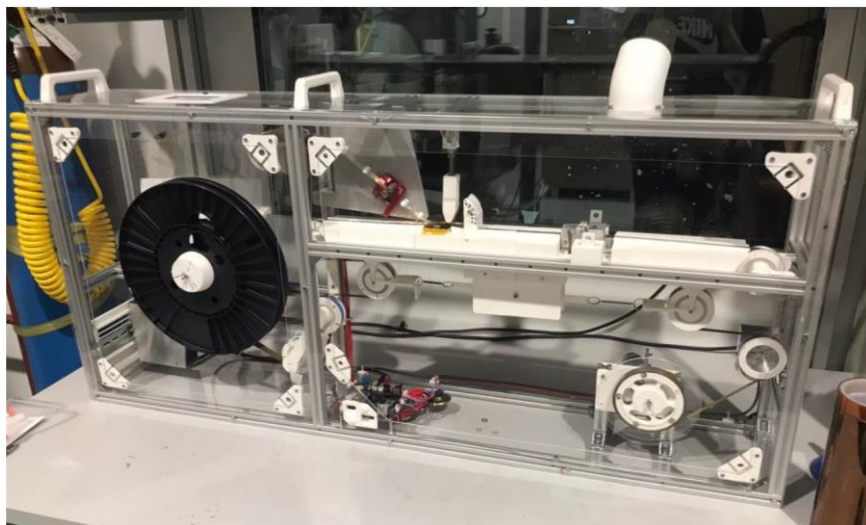
Full study on:

- Field quality
- Beam impedance
- Synchrotron radiation effects
- Photodesorption
- SEY

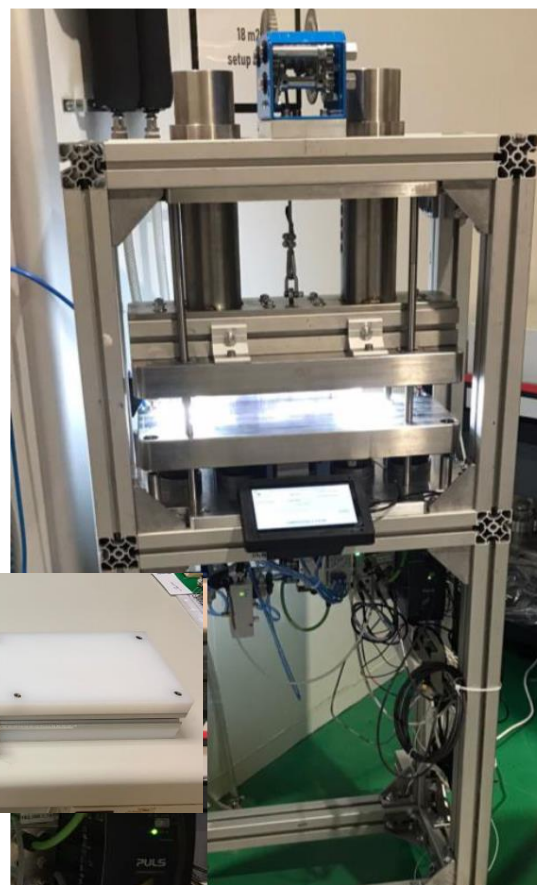
Incorporated in FCC-hh Conceptual Design Report



# Machinery for reproducible coatings



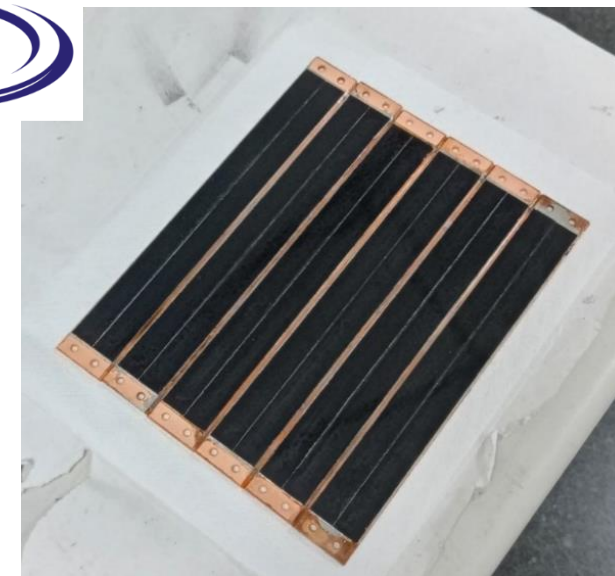
Pre-tinning



Soldering



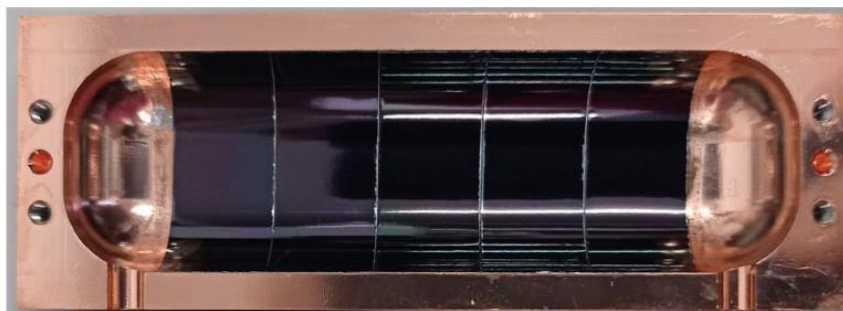
Substrate extraction



## Adapting to curved surfaces

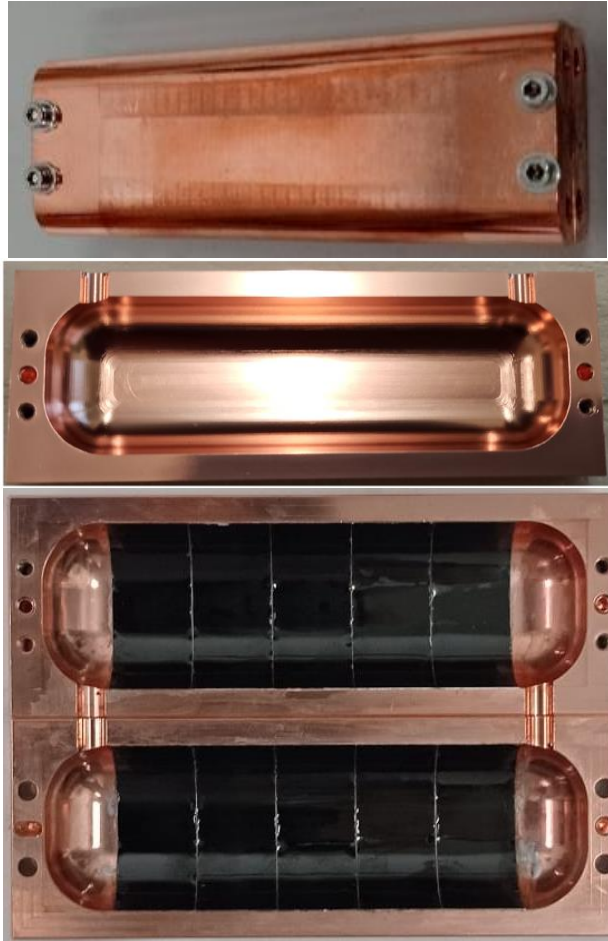


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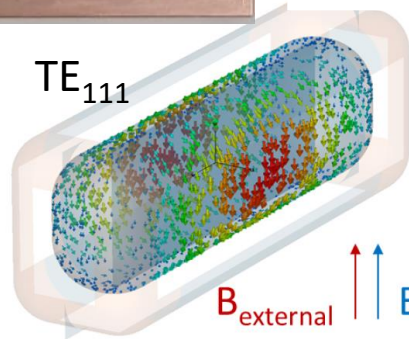
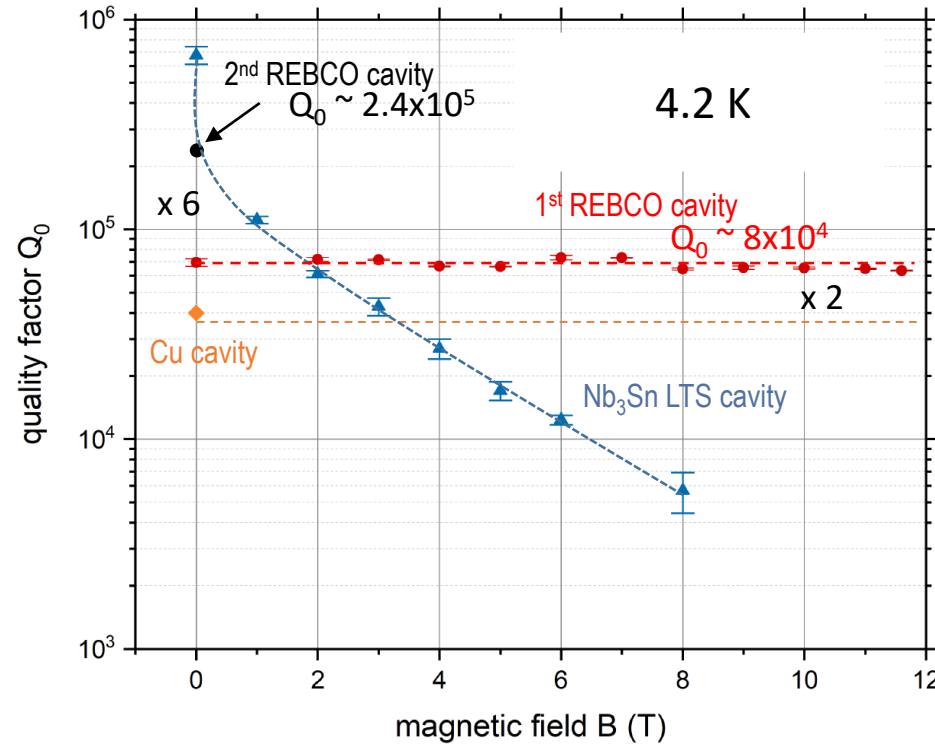


high MW power (1.6 kW)  
11.5 GHz

x 100 improvement  
compared to Cu at 4.2 K



9 GHz -  $m_a \sim 36 \mu\text{eV}$   
 $V=0.03 \text{ L}$



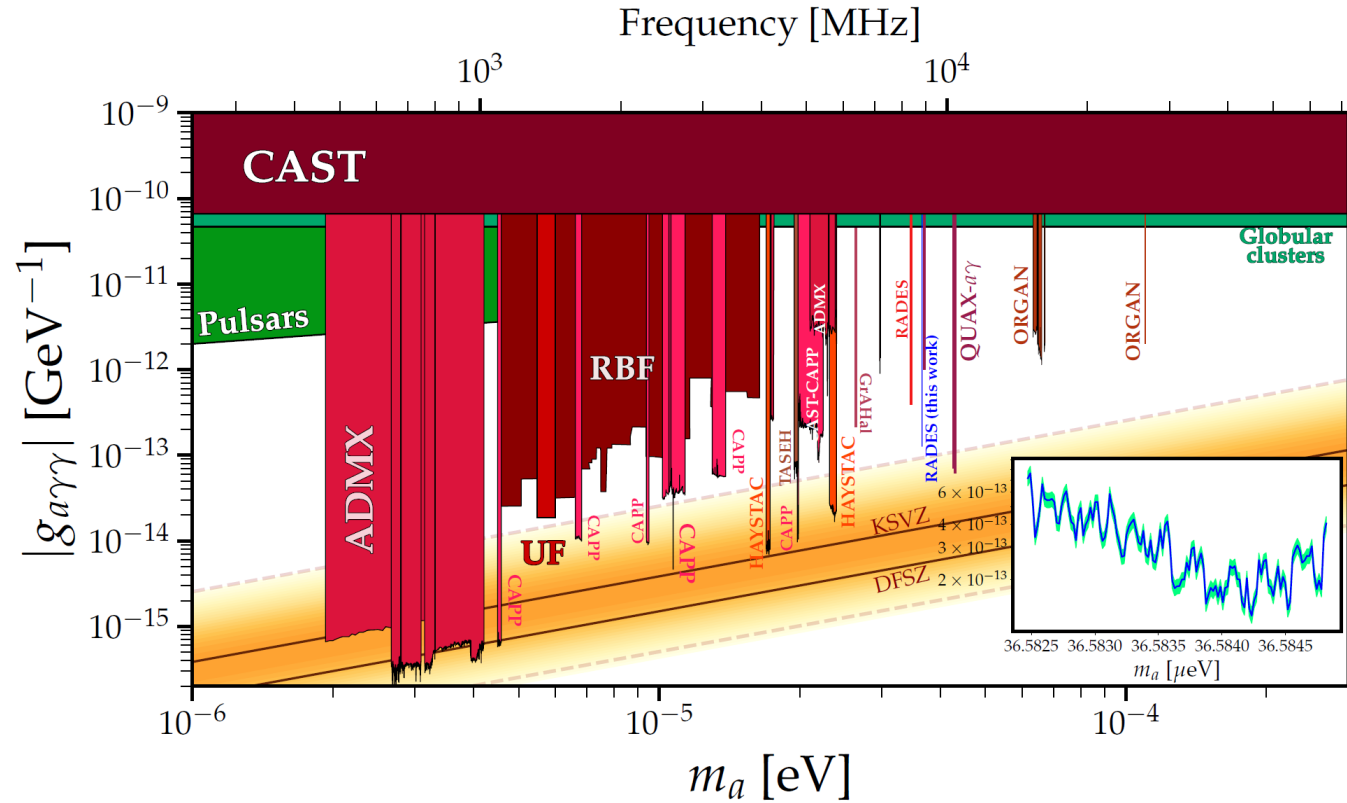
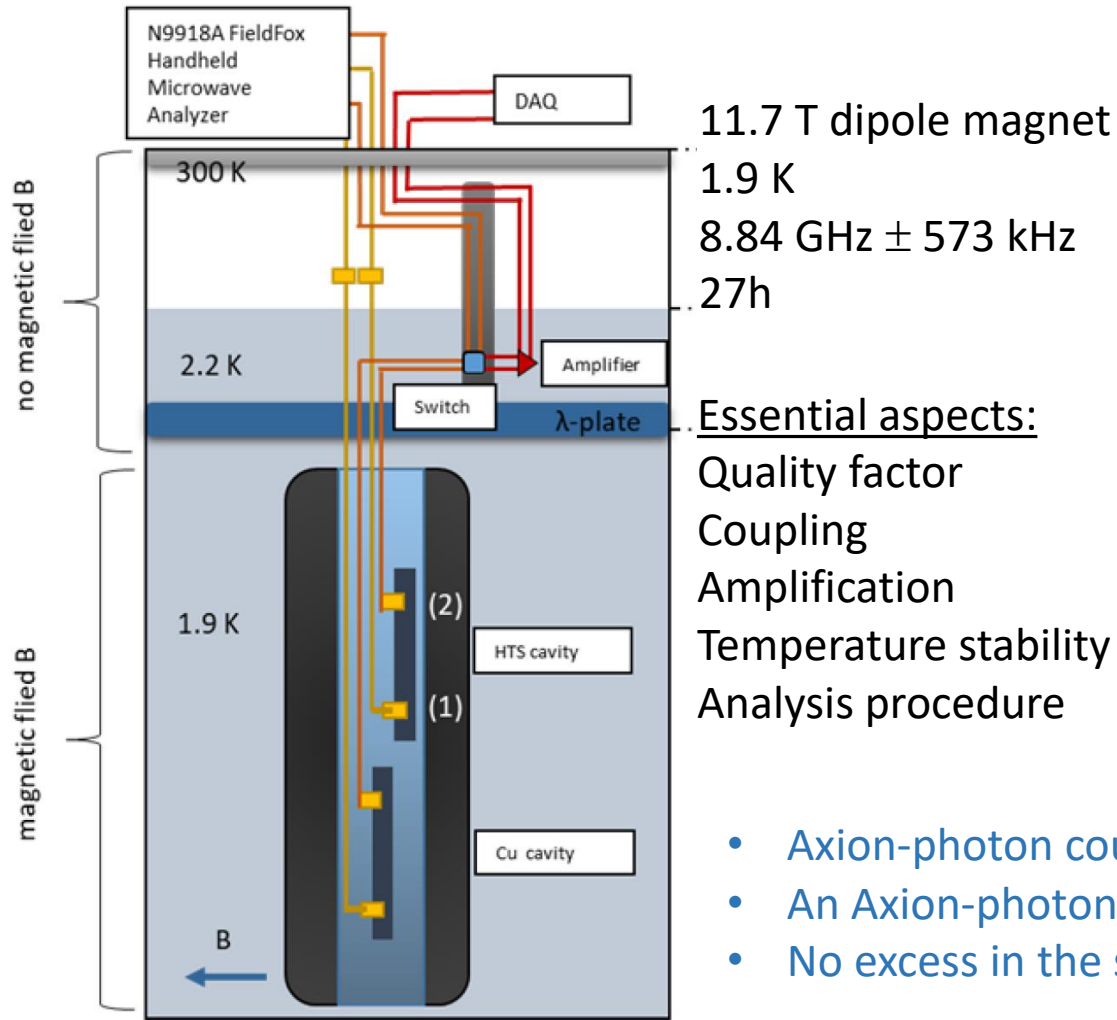
Continue adaptation to curved surfaces  
 Critical bending radius for CC  
 Choice of CC w/ APC  
 Design of a cavity for HTS coating

J. Golm et al, IEEE TAS 32 (2022)

$Q_0 \sim 3.3 \times 10^5$  @ 8T, 4.2 K (6.9 GHz) -  $8 \times Q_{\text{Cu}}$   
 $Q_0 \sim 1.3 \times 10^7$  @ 8 T, 150 mK (5.4 GHz) -  $200 \times Q_{\text{Cu}}$

D. Ahn et al, Phys Rev Appl 17 (2022)

# RADES results on Axion search with HTS coating in a 11 T magnet



Measurements at SM18 at CERN

- Axion-photon coupling outperforms CAST limit x 100 and previous RADES results x 3
- An Axion-photon coupling strength limit,  $g_{a\gamma} \geq 1.27 \times 10^{-13} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$  is set
- No excess in the signal hinting to an Axion-like particle was found at  $36.5824 \mu\text{eV} < m_a < 36.5848 \mu\text{eV}$
- Next experiments schedule for Sept. 24 with new HTS cavities

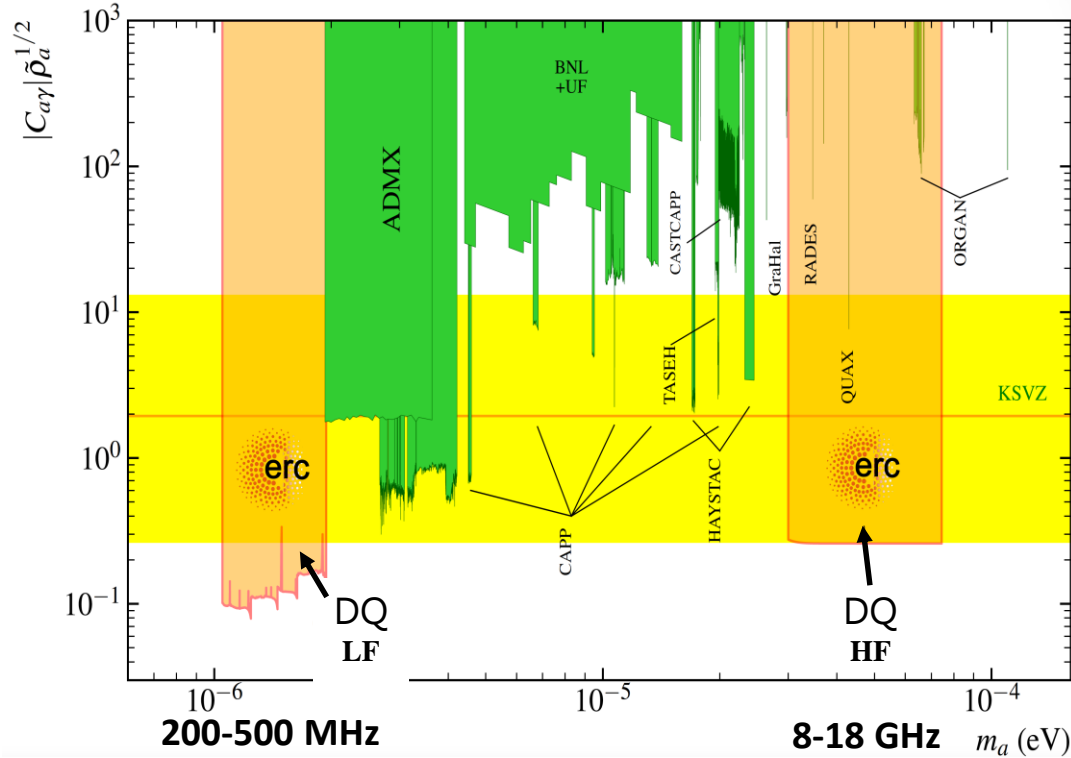


# DarkQuantum



Synergy Grant, Starting Sept. 24  
 Coord. I.G. Irastorza (CAPA)

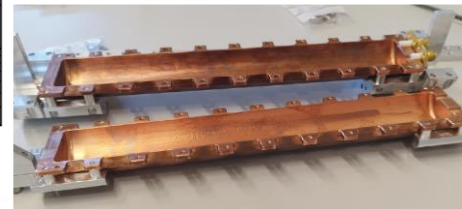
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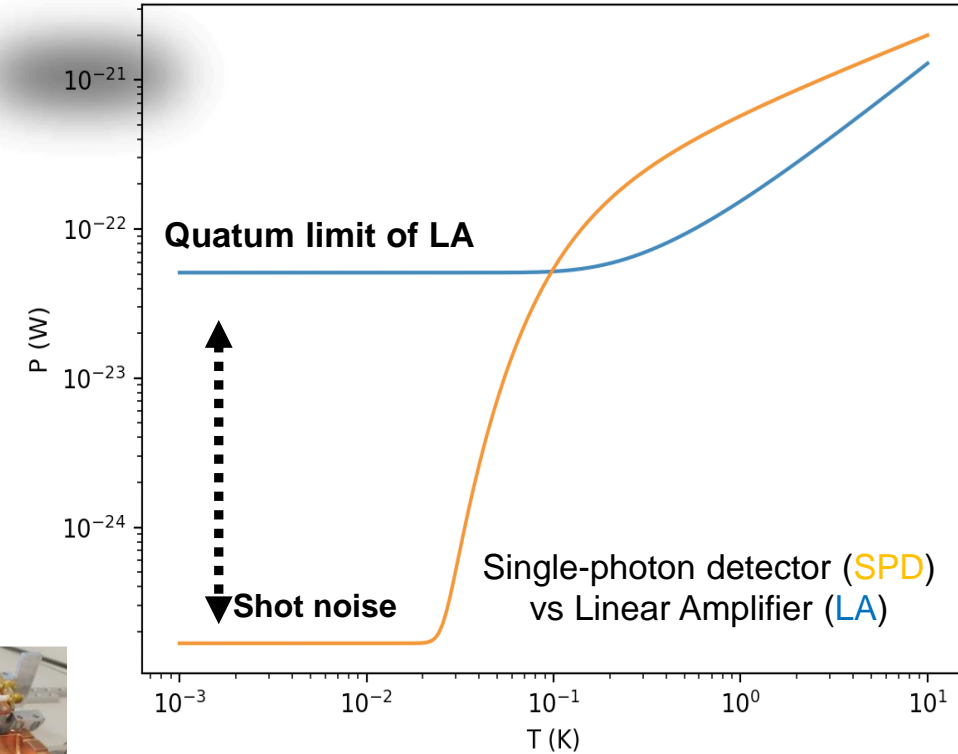


(9 GHz / 36  $\mu$ eV)

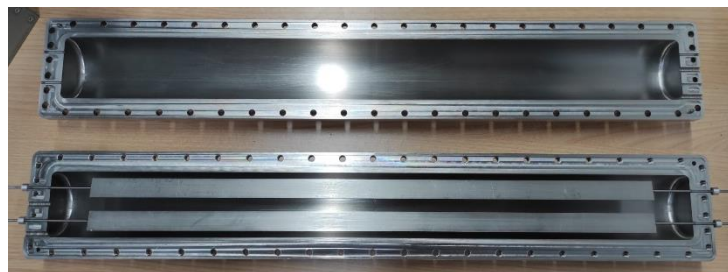


(8-9 GHz)

Minimum detectable power vs. Temperature



- Single-photon detectors
- Ultra-cryogenics
- HTS coating
- Magnonics for tuning
- Machine learning for quantum sensing



## BabyIAXO

(250 – 450 MHz/ 1 – 2  $\mu$ eV)

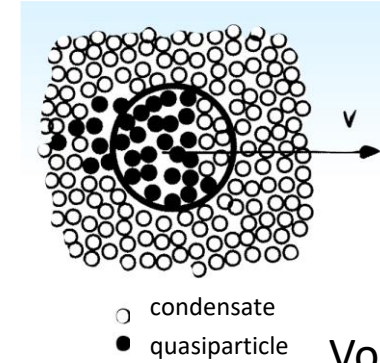
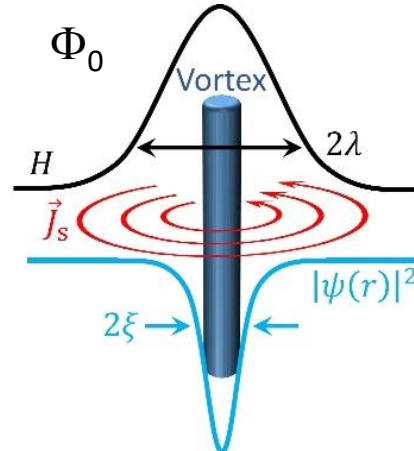
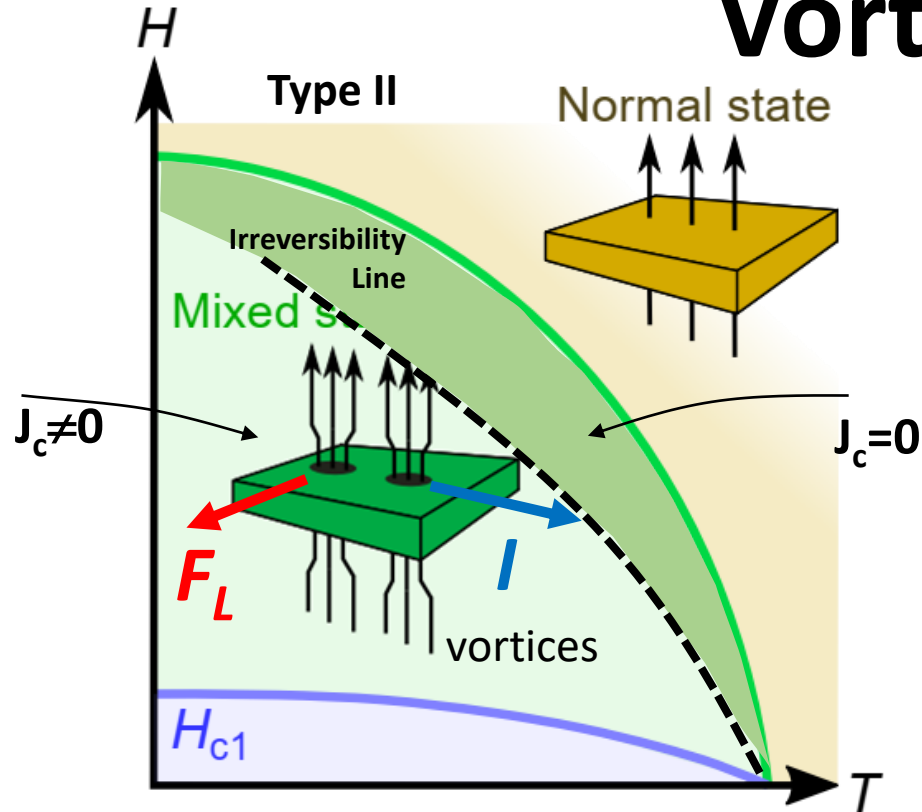
# CONCLUSIONS

- The search for Dark Matter Axions is a challenging study but haloscope cavities operating at high magnetic fields can help
- HTS enhances the sensitivity (Q factor) of resonant cavities at high magnetic fields
- A robust coating technology adapted to complex surface is being developed
- Cooperation between HEP and HTS may lead to new leaps in technology



MPP-Garching, GE, May 2024

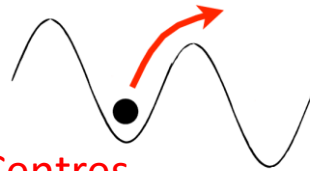
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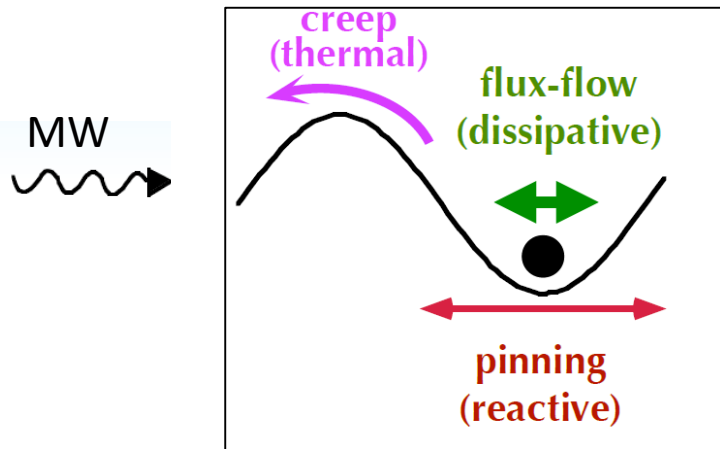
$$\mathbf{F}_L = \mathbf{J}_c \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}_P$$

Vortices are pinned in defects

Nanoengineering Artificial Pinning Centres (APC)



## Vortices under Microwave radiation



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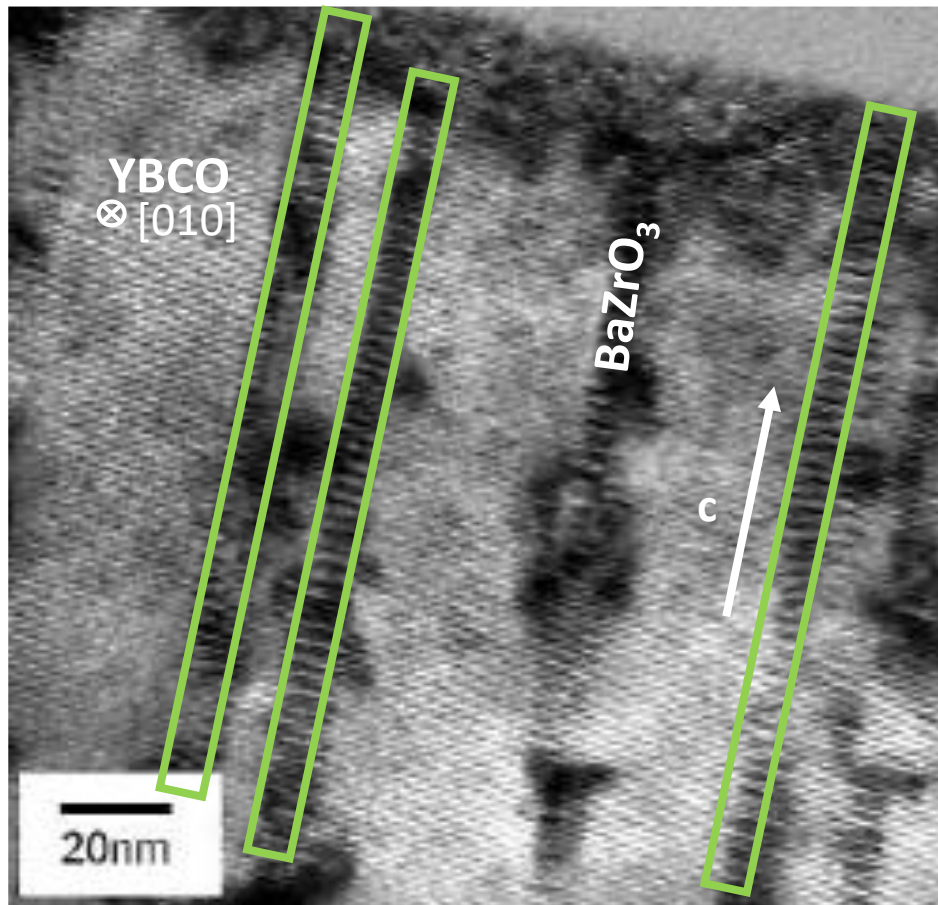
$R_{vm} \cong$  Losses induced by vortices

$v_{MW} < v_{depining} \rightarrow$  APC modulate dissipation

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# APC in HTS CC: Thick epitaxial Nanocomposites

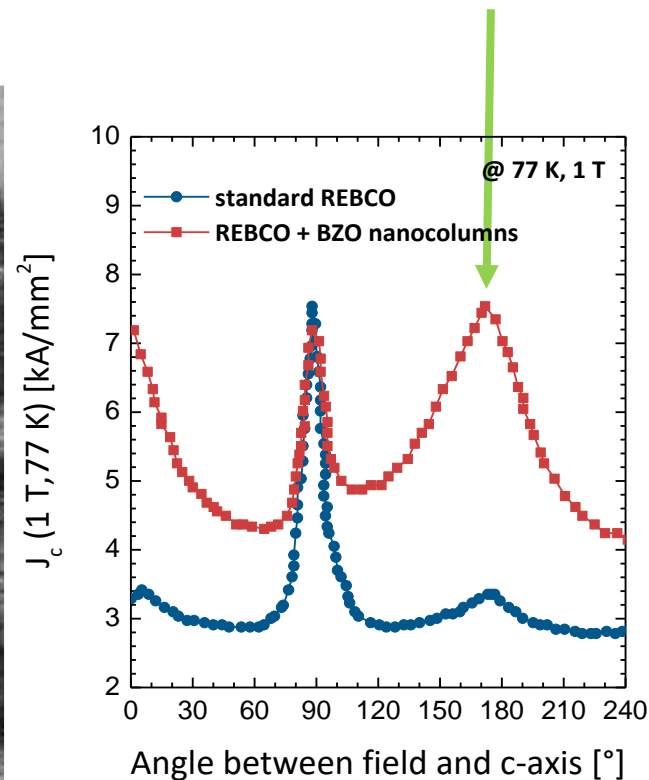
Self-assembled nanorods induced by the strain  
Epitaxial YBCO films even up to 3-4  $\mu\text{m}$  thick



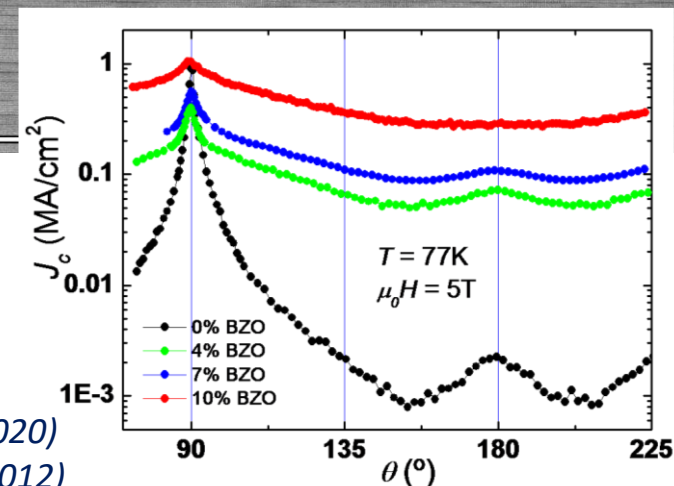
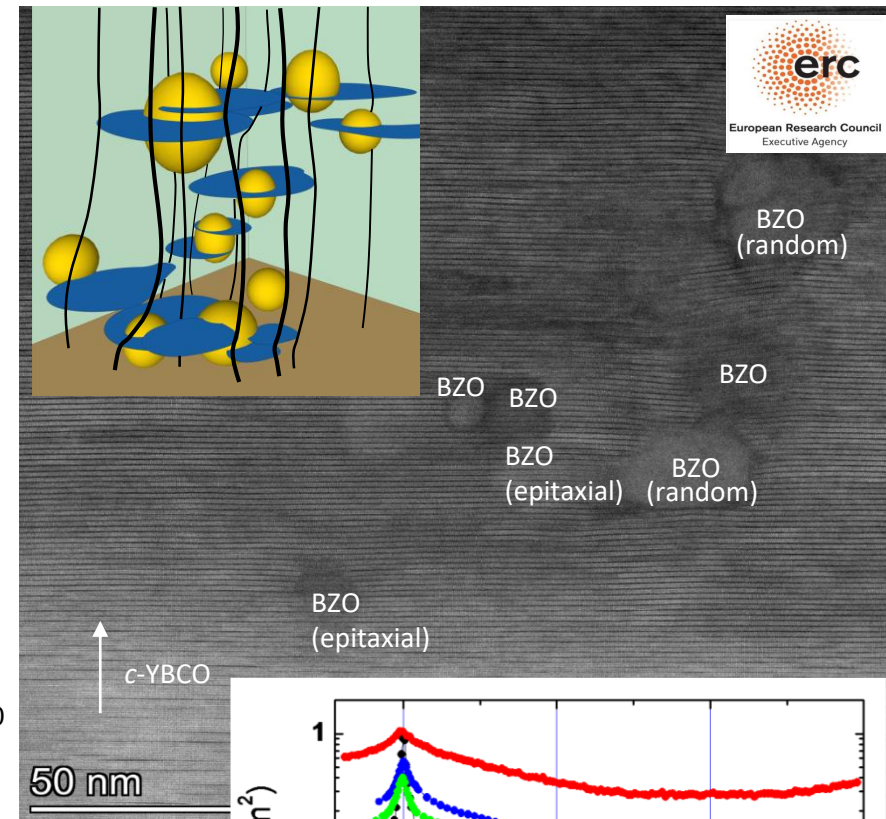
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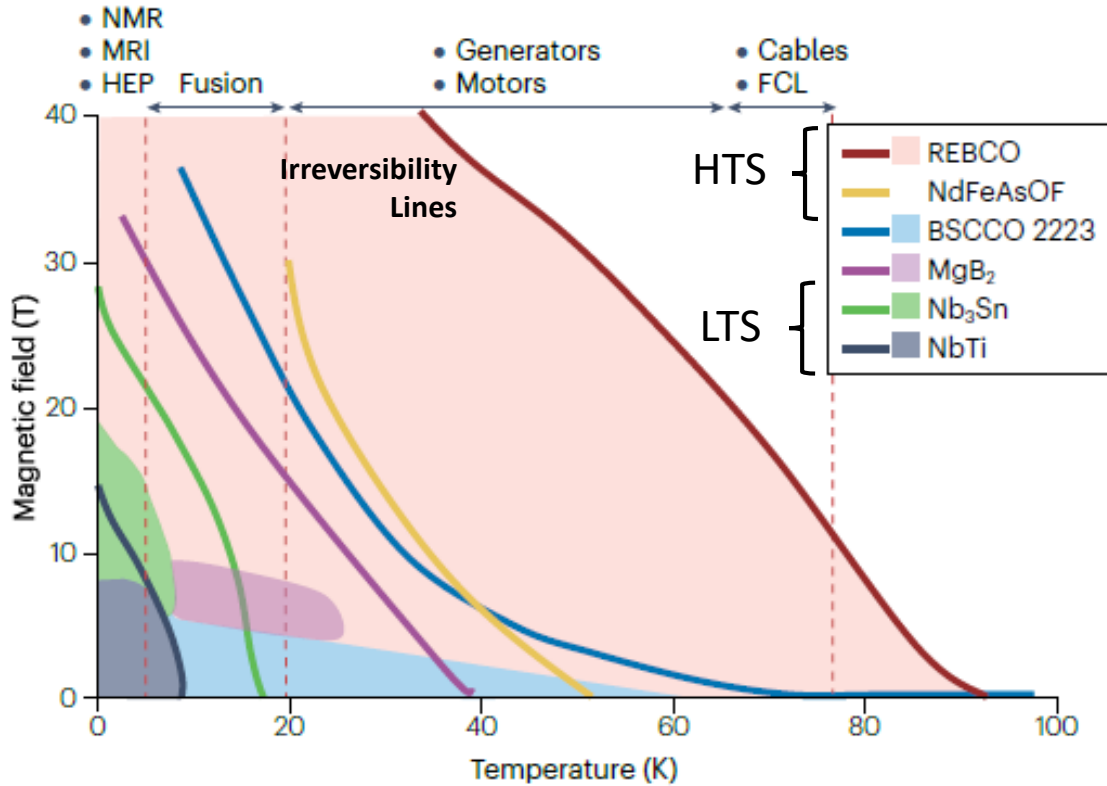
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# Superconducting materials operational limits

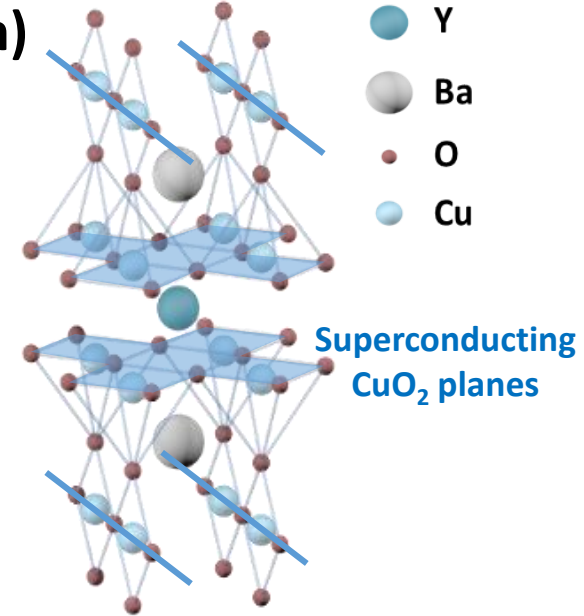


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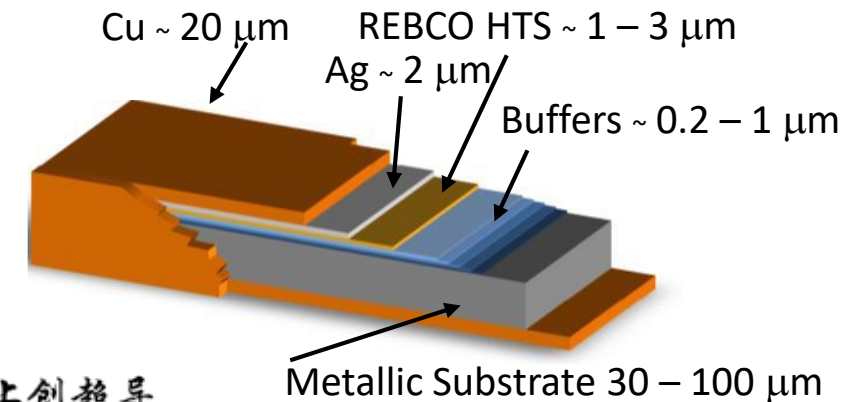
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## REBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7-x</sub> RE (Y, Rare Earth)

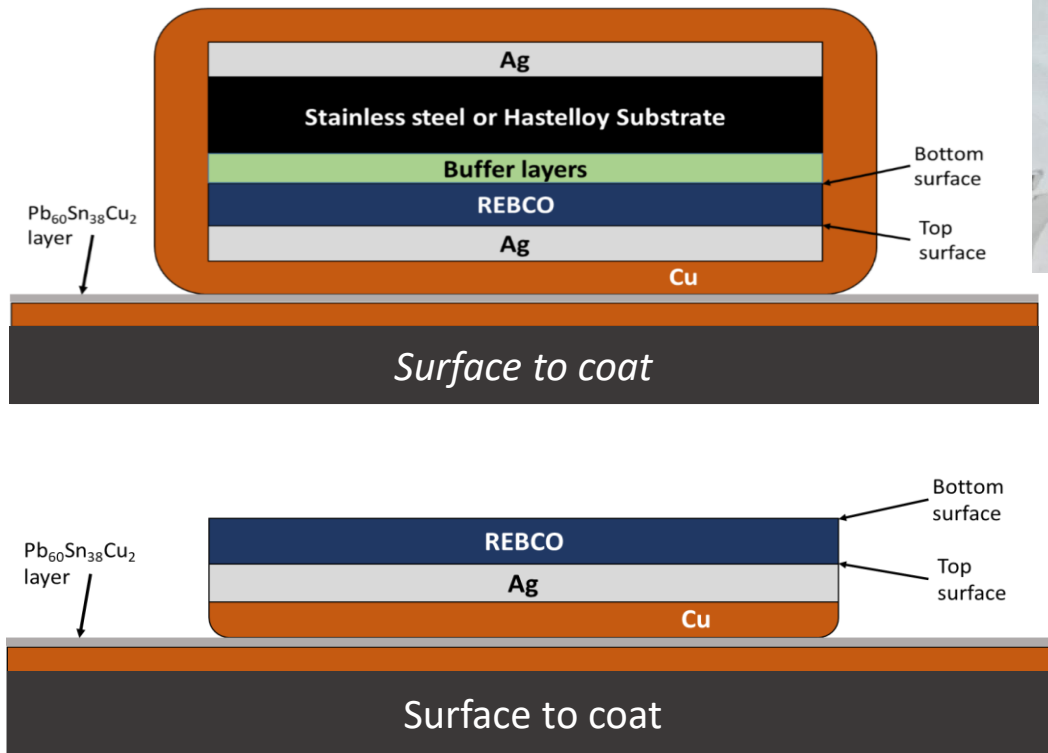
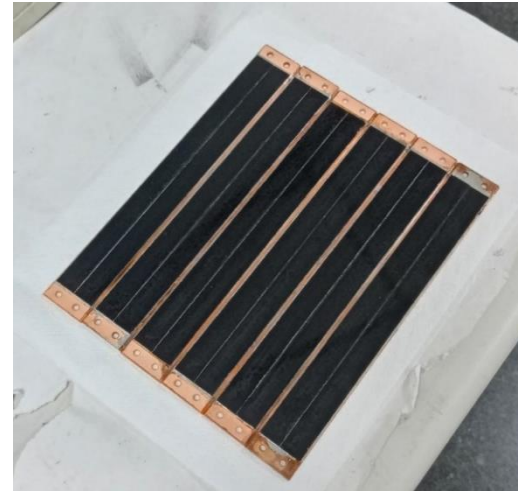
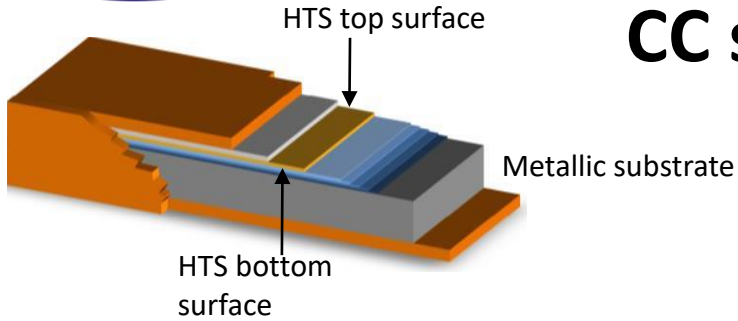
- Oxide material, brittle
- Critical doping levels
- Heavily anisotropic ( $\rho_c/\rho_{ab} \approx 10^2\text{-}10^4$ )
- Single crystal type growth
- 20 years R&D



## Coated Conductors (in km length)



# Scalable HTS coating technique based on CC soldering and substrate delamination



Properties retained

$T = 50\text{ K}, \nu = 8\text{ GHz}, H \perp \text{coated surface}$

