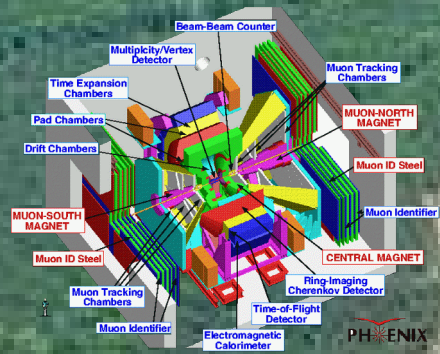


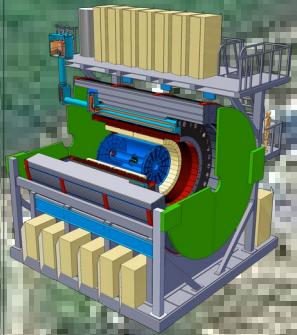


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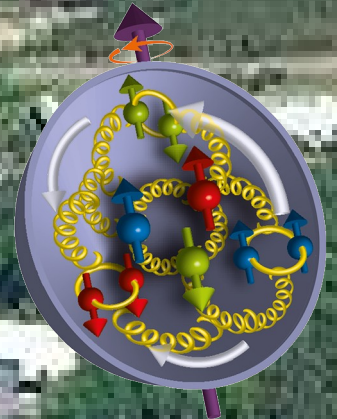
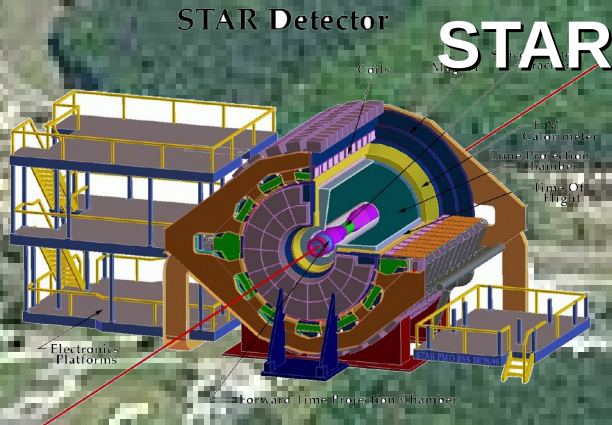
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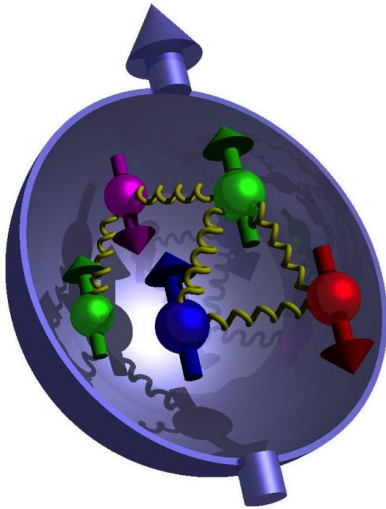


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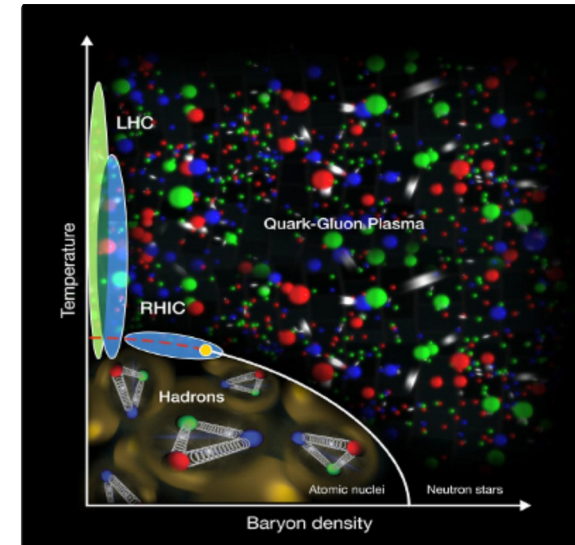
# Subjects

- Proton structure with polarized proton beams



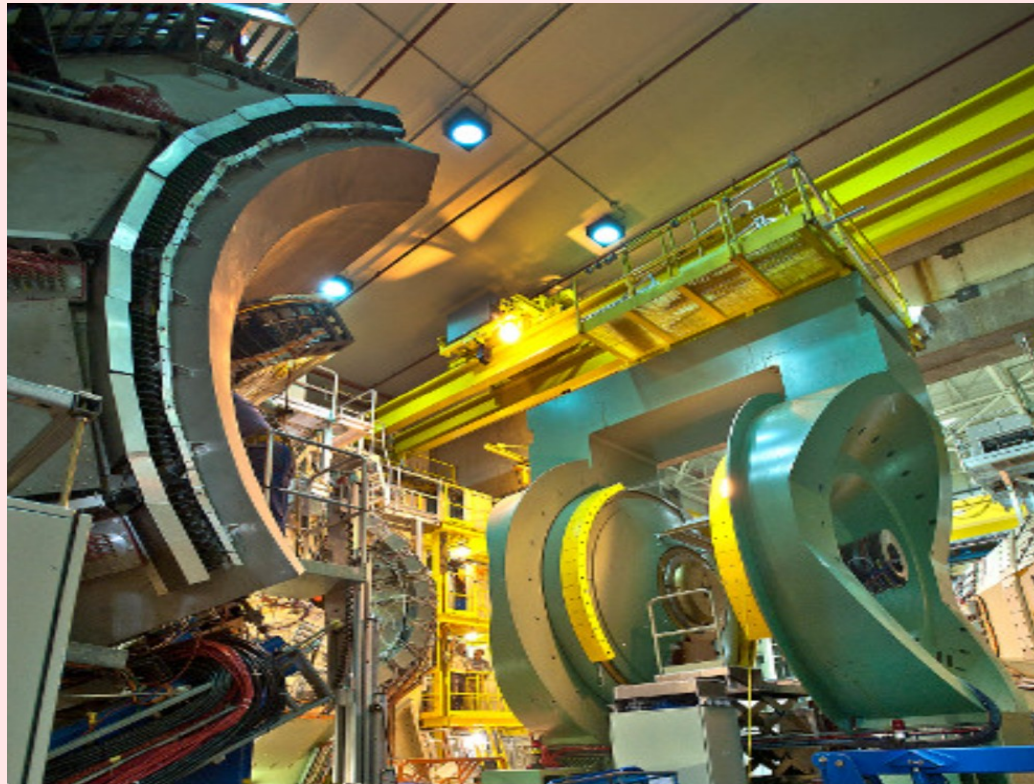
- Dark matter searches
- Accelerator physics

- Quark Gluon Plasma created in high energy nuclear collisions



- Impact of radiation on cells

# PHENIX



Data Taking complete 2016  
Published >200 papers

# PHENIX data sets

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**Many physics topics with variety of high statistics datasets**

# Remaining PHENIX Key Physics Analyses

RUN14 and RUN16 Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV data set of about 30 billion events remains to be fully analyzed

Unique high impact analysis topics to be addressed with PHENIX data from RUN14+16 in next 2-3 years

- Measure initial temperature of QGP at RHIC
  - Thermal  $e^+e^-$  pairs in mass range 1 to 3 GeV/ $c^2$
- Separate charm and bottom energy loss and flow
  - midrapidity measurement with electrons
  - forward/backward rapidity measurements with muons

## For more information contact:

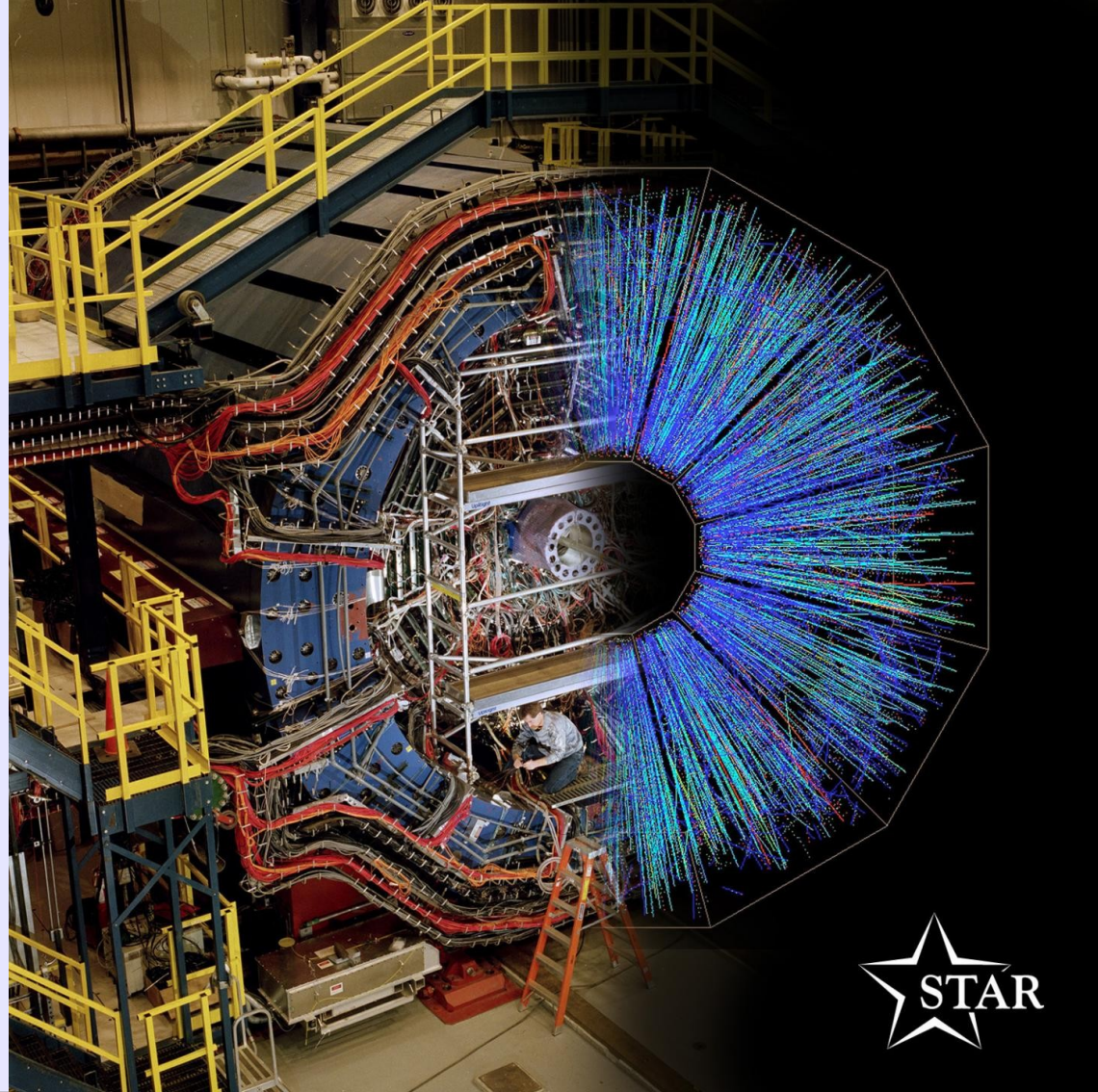
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# STAR

STAR is composed of 72 institutions from 15 countries, with a total of 695 collaborators. A variety of personnel participate in the collaboration, including students, university faculty and staff, national laboratory staff, and engineers.



# STAR's Future Run Plan

**Table 1: Proposed Run-22** assuming 20 cryo-weeks, including an initial one week of cool-down and a two weeks set-up time.

$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	Species	Polarization	Run Time	Sampled Luminosity	Priority
510	<i>pp</i>	Transverse	16 weeks	400 pb <sup>-1</sup>	1

p+p 510 GeV: probe down to  $x \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$  (gluons) and up to  $x \sim 0.5$  (valence quarks) regions

**Table 2: Proposed Run-23 - Run-25** assuming 28 cryo-weeks of running every year, and 6 weeks set-up time to switch species in 2024. Sampled luminosities assume a "take all" triggers.

Data Taking	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	Species	Number Events/ Sampled Luminosity	Year
24 weeks Au+Au	200	Au+Au	10B / 31 nb <sup>-1</sup>	2023
11 weeks pp	200	<i>pp</i>	235 pb <sup>-1</sup>	2024
11 weeks p+Au	200	<i>p+Au</i>	1.3 pb <sup>-1</sup>	2024
24 weeks Au+Au	200	Au+Au	10B / 31 nb <sup>-1</sup>	2025

Transversely polarized pp and p+Au with equal nucleon-nucleon luminosities essential to optimize several critical measurements

p+p: enable detailed evolution studies, critical for precise factorization and universality tests, essential baseline for p+Au  
 p+Au: probe gluon saturation, quark-gluon structure of heavy nuclei, propagation and hadronization of colored partons  
 Au+Au: probe the inner workings of the QGP



# Physics program

- **quantitative comparisons of the validity and the limits of factorization and universality in lepton-proton and proton-proton collisions for initial and final state TMDs.** Test of Sivers non-universality
  - Requirement:
    - large data sets  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  and  $500$  GeV  $p \uparrow p$ 
      - ⊆ low to high  $x$ , highest and lowest  $x$  with fSTAR
    - $A_{UT}$  for  $W^{\pm}$ -Z0,  $A_{UT}$  for hadrons in jet
- First look Gluon GPD ⊆  $E_g$ 
  - Requirement:
    - data sets  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV  $p \uparrow p$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV  $p \uparrow A$
    - $A_{UT}$  for  $J/\psi$  in UPC
- Physics driving the large  $A_N$  at forward rapidities and high  $x_f$ 
  - Requirement:
    - large data sets  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  and  $500$  GeV  $p \uparrow p$ 
      - ⊆ low to highest  $x_f$  ⊆ fSTAR
    - charge hadron  $A_N$  at forward rapidities
- Nuclear dependence of PDFs, FF, and TMDs
  - Requirement:
    - large equal data set of  $\sqrt{s} = 200$   $p \uparrow p$  and  $p \uparrow Au$ 
      - ⊆ low to high  $x$ , highest and lowest  $x$  with fSTAR
    - $R_{pA}$  direct photons and DY, hadrons in jet  $A_{UT}$
- non-linear effects in QCD
  - Requirement:
    - large equal data set of  $\sqrt{s} = 200$   $p \uparrow p$  and  $p \uparrow Au$ 
      - ⊆ lowest- $x$  through fSTAR
    - dihadron correlations for  $h^{\pm}$ -,  $\gamma$ -jet, di-jets

To address important questions about the inner workings of the QGP

- **What is the precise temperature dependence of shear and bulk viscosity?**  $v_n$  as a function of  $\eta$
- What is the nature of the 3-dimensional initial state at RHIC energies?  $r_n$  over a wide rapidity
- How is global vorticity transferred to the spin angular momentum of particles on such short time scales? How can the global polarization of hyperons be reconciled with the spin alignment of vector mesons?  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\Omega$ ,  $P_H$  and  $\rho_{00}$  of  $K^*$ ,  $\varphi$ ,  $J/\psi$
- What is the precise nature of the transition near  $\mu_B=0$ ? Net-proton  $C_6/C_2$
- What is the electrical conductivity, and what are the chiral properties of the medium? Dielectron
- What can be learned about confinement and thermalization in a QGP from charmonium measurement?  $J/\psi$   $v_2$  and  $v_1$ ,  $\psi(2S)$
- What are the underlying mechanisms of jet quenching at RHIC energies? What do jet probes tell us about the microscopic structure of the QGP as a function of resolution scale?  $\gamma_{dir} + jet$   $I_{AA}$ ,  $\gamma_{dir} + jet$  acoplanarity, jet substructure

# sPHENIX

## Calorimetry

Outer Hadronic Calorimeter (oHCAL) Inner Hadronic Calorimeter (iHCAL) Electromagnetic Calorimeter (EMCAL)

## Magnet

1.4T superconducting solenoid used by the BaBar experiment

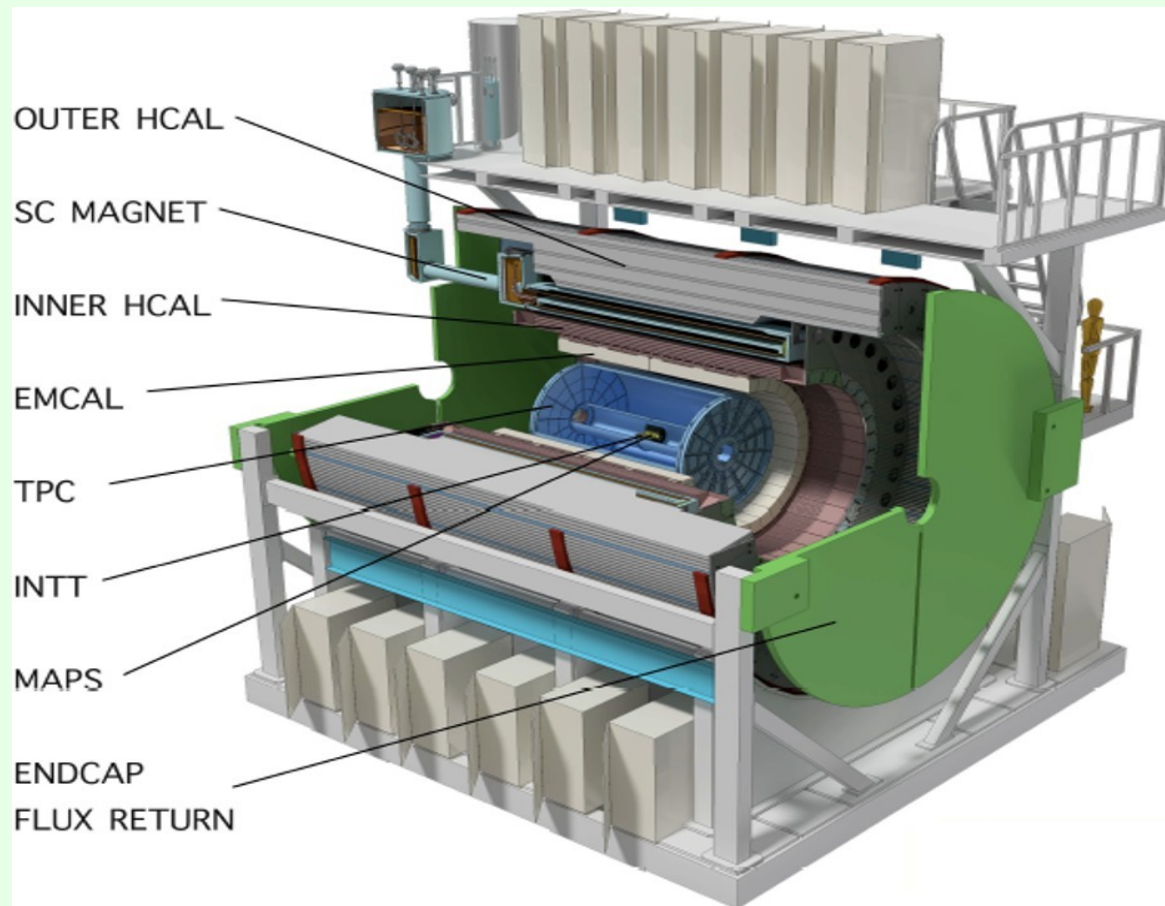
## Tracking

Time Projection Chamber (TPC) Intermediate Silicon Tracker (INTT) MAPS-based Vertex Tracker (MVTX)

## Performance

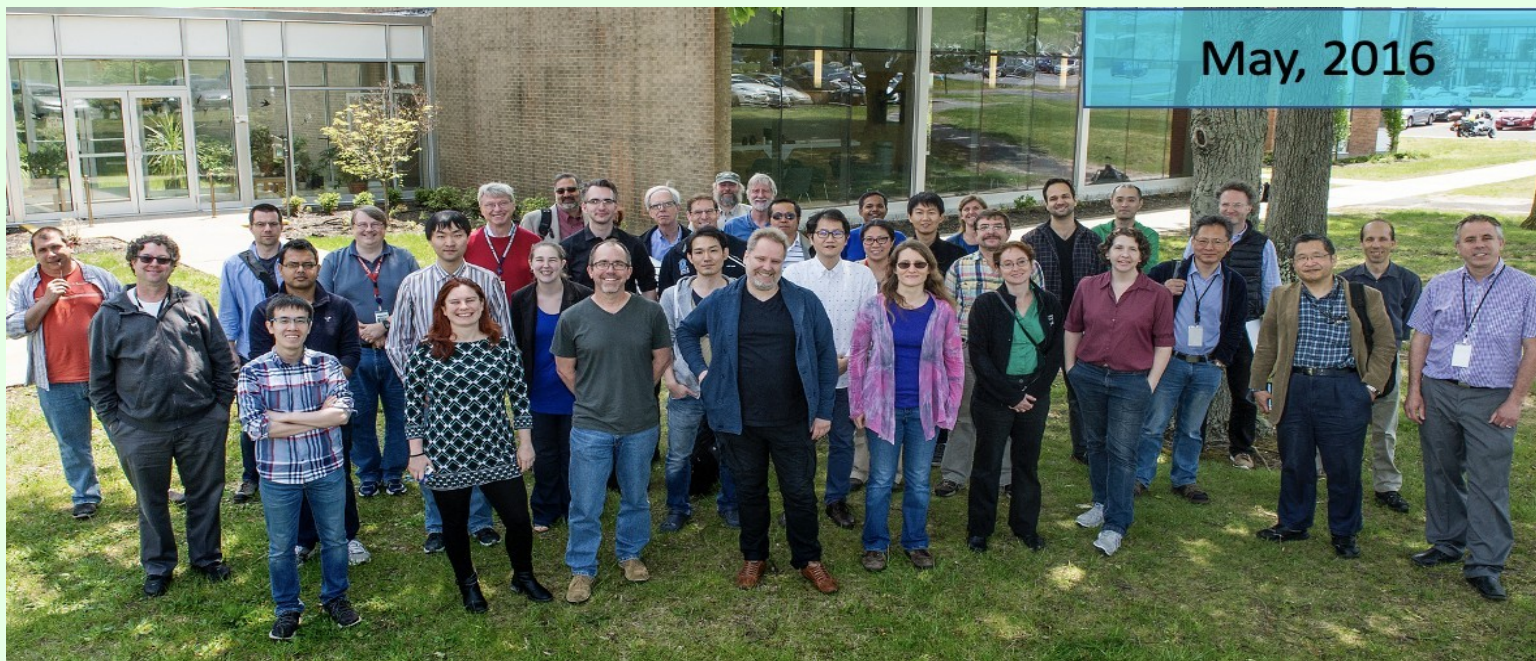
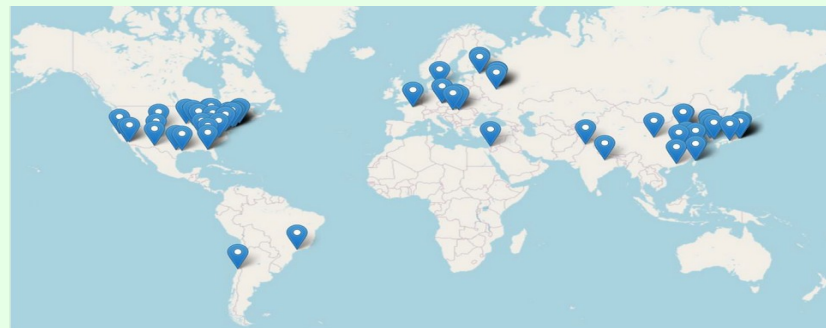
**High data rate** : read out rate of 15 kHz for all subdetectors

**Acceptance** : hermetic coverage over full azimuth & pseudorapidity  $|\eta| \leq 1.1$  for the tracking & calorimeter systems



# sPHENIX Collaboration

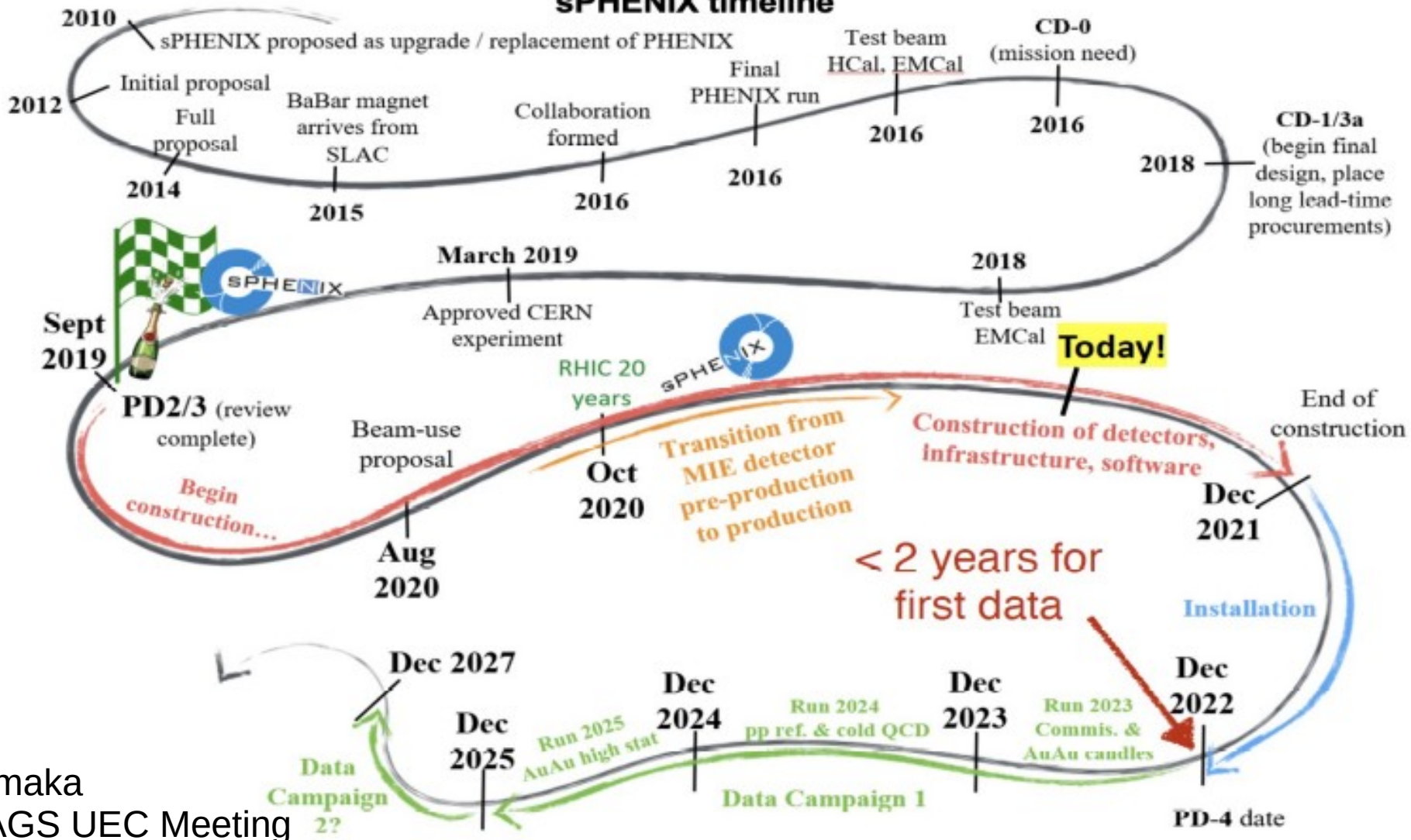
Officially formed in 2016  
More than 320 members from 84 institutions in  
14 countries as of 2021 Over 100 bi-weekly  
general meetings since inception



# sPHENIX 3-Year Run Plan

Year	Species	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	Cryoweeks	Physics weeks	Rec. Luminosity	Samp. Luminosity
2023	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	9 (13)	3.7 (5.7) nb <sup>-1</sup>	4.5 (6.9) nb <sup>-1</sup>
2024	p↑p↑	200	24 (28)	12 (16)	0.3 (0.4) pb <sup>-1</sup>	45 (62) pb <sup>-1</sup>
2024	p↑+Au	200	-	5	0.003 pb <sup>-1</sup>	0.11 pb <sup>-1</sup>
2025	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	20.5 (24.5)	13 (15) nb <sup>-1</sup>	21 (25) nb <sup>-1</sup>

# sPHENIX timeline



Ejoro Umaka  
RHIC/AGS UEC Meeting

Christine Nattrass, IANN-QCD, 15 Dec. 2021

# How to join an experiment? Example from STAR

## 1. Initiate a discussion with the Spokespeople

Generally speaking we will ask:

1. what are your science interests?
2. how many people, and at what level (faculty, Postdocs, grad/undergrad students etc) are currently and do you expect eventually to be in your group?
3. How long do you plan to work on STAR and what other commitments do you have?
4. Do you expect to have funding to enable you to travel to cover your shift dues etc?

## 2. After initial discussion we ask you to submit a formal application – an “application form” is provided

## 3. Application is discussed in management team

## 4. If positive we send your application, endorsed by the management to the STAR Council

## 5. STAR Council has final decision. After reading the application and inviting you to present your case to the Council a vote will be taken

## 6. If positive you will be admitted as an associate institution for a period of one year. During that one year each new institution will be associated with a mentoring STAR institution that will assist the new institution to become integrated and productive in STAR. The new institution will be represented on the STAR Council by the mentor institution Council representative. At the conclusion of this one year the new institution may apply for full membership that will include a seat on the Council. Such an application must receive an affirmative vote from at least 75% of all eligible Council voters.

# BNL Nuclear Theory group

- Excellence in scientific research aimed towards supporting and guiding the experimental programs at RHIC and the future EIC
- Training a new generation of scientists (most of the former group postdocs are now faculty members across the globe working in RHIC and EIC physics or work in high performance computing)
- Lay out for future directions in Nuclear Physics: gluon saturation in eA collisions, Chiral Magnetic Effect, synergy of QIS and physics of RHIC and EIC
- Scientific Staff: Y. Hatta (RBRC theory leader), D. Kharzeev (joint with Stony Brook U.), Y. Mehtar-Tani (RBRC Fellow), S. Mukherjee, ( BEST Director, SciDAC, Co-PI), P. Petreczky (Group Leader), R. Pisarski (C<sup>2</sup>QA, sub-thrust leader ) , B. Schenke , R. Venugopalan, (C<sup>2</sup>QA, sub-thrust leader )

BEST= Beam Energy Scan Topical Collaboration

C<sup>2</sup>QA = Co-design Center for Quantum Advantage

RBRC = Riken-BNL Research Center

# Support for RHIC and EIC science

- QCD phase diagram and physics of BES program, sPHENIX: quarkonia, jets, out of equilibrium dynamics and early states in HIC
- Nucleon spin, hadron structure, color glass condensate (was proposed by BNL Theorists)
- Leadership in lattice QCD (SciDAC, USQCD, also INCITE and ALCC computing awards), Quantum Information science (leadership in C<sup>2</sup>QA)



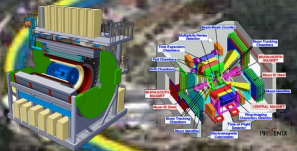


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# Contacts and links

## **RHIC/AGS Users' Executive Committee**

<http://www.rhicuec.org/>

Chair Elect: [Zhenyu Ye](#) (University of Illinois Chicago)

Chair: [Christine Nattrass](#) (University of Tennessee, Knoxville)

Past Chair: [Ron Belmont](#) (University of North Carolina at Greensboro)

## **STAR Collaboration**

<https://www.star.bnl.gov/>

Co-spokespeople: [Helen Caines](#) (Yale University) and [Lijuan Ruan](#) (Brookhaven National Laboratory)

## **PHENIX Collaboration**

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Spokesperson: [Yasuyuki Akiba](#) (RIKEN Nishina Center for Accelerator-Based Science)

## **sPHENIX Collaboration**

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Co-spokespeople: [Dave Morrison](#) (Brookhaven National Laboratory) and [Gunther Roland](#)(MIT)

## **BNL Nuclear Theory Group**

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Group leader: [Peter Petreczky](#) (Brookhaven National Laboratory)

## **Collider and Accelerator Group**

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Group leader: [Bill Christie](#) (Brookhaven National Laboratory)

# PHENIX: data analysis and publication

- Members can access to PHENIX data and all internal information of PHENIX
- Analysis are presented in Physics Working Group (PWG) and discussed in PWG. PHENIX has two PWGs (Heavy Ion PWG and Spin PWG)
- Analysis results can be presented in conferences outside of PHENIX after they are approved as “PHENIX Preliminary”.
  - Only 1 preliminary approval for the same measurement
- One analysis gets mature, a Paper Preparation Group (PPG) of the topics is formed. PPG finalize the analysis and draft manuscripts of the paper.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> internal release (2weeks) : all collaboration can give comments
  - Revision of the manuscript by PPG with Internal Review Committee
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> internal release (1 week)
  - submit to journal (PRL, PRC, PRD)

# PHENIX organization

- PHENIX is one of two large experiments at RHIC when RHIC started in 2000. It is an international collaboration of 14 countries/areas.
- PHENIX completed data taking in 2016. The successor experiment, sPHENIX experiment will start in 2023 to complete scientific mission of RHIC.
- PHENIX collaboration collaborates based on bylaws.
- Spokesperson (term: 3 years) Y. Akiba [akiba@bnl.gov](mailto:akiba@bnl.gov)
- Deputy Spokespersons: Axel Drees [axel.drees@stonybrook.edu](mailto:axel.drees@stonybrook.edu)  
Sasha Bailevsky [shura@bnl.gov](mailto:shura@bnl.gov)
- Executive Council (EC) advise the spokesperson  
14 members (4 exofficio, 6 elected, 2 juniors, 2 appointed)
- Institutional Board (IB)  
one member from each collaboration institutes
- One institute: at least one Member of Good Standing (MGS)  
A MGS is expected to devote >30% of research time for PHENIX
- Admission of new collaboration is discussed in an IB meeting and voted by IB  
– 4 new collaboration institutes after 2016
- PHENIX Speakers Bureau (PSB) distributes PHENIX talks among international conferences to

PHENIX members

# Datasets of PHENIX

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# Diversity in Nuclear Theory

Training and education is key for a diverse workforce

## Postdocs:

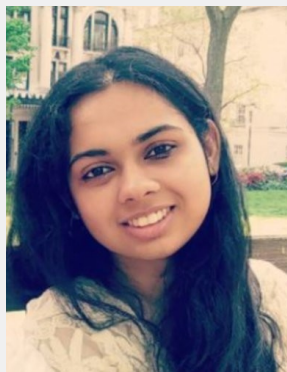
Abha Rajan,  
Now at ODU



Alba Otonso Soto,  
now in Saclay



Sohini Bhattacharya,  
Started 10/4/2021



## Latino grad students:

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C. Shugert,  
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Lab, John  
Hopkins U.



Schenke and Venugopalan participate in various lab educational programs:

Sixtus Kuudar (Florida A&M, URM), Viraj Jayam (HSRP, now undergrad at Stanford), Casey Cartwright (DOE's SCGSR program, U Alabama), Wenjie Gong (SULI, Harvard, Goldwater Fellowship),

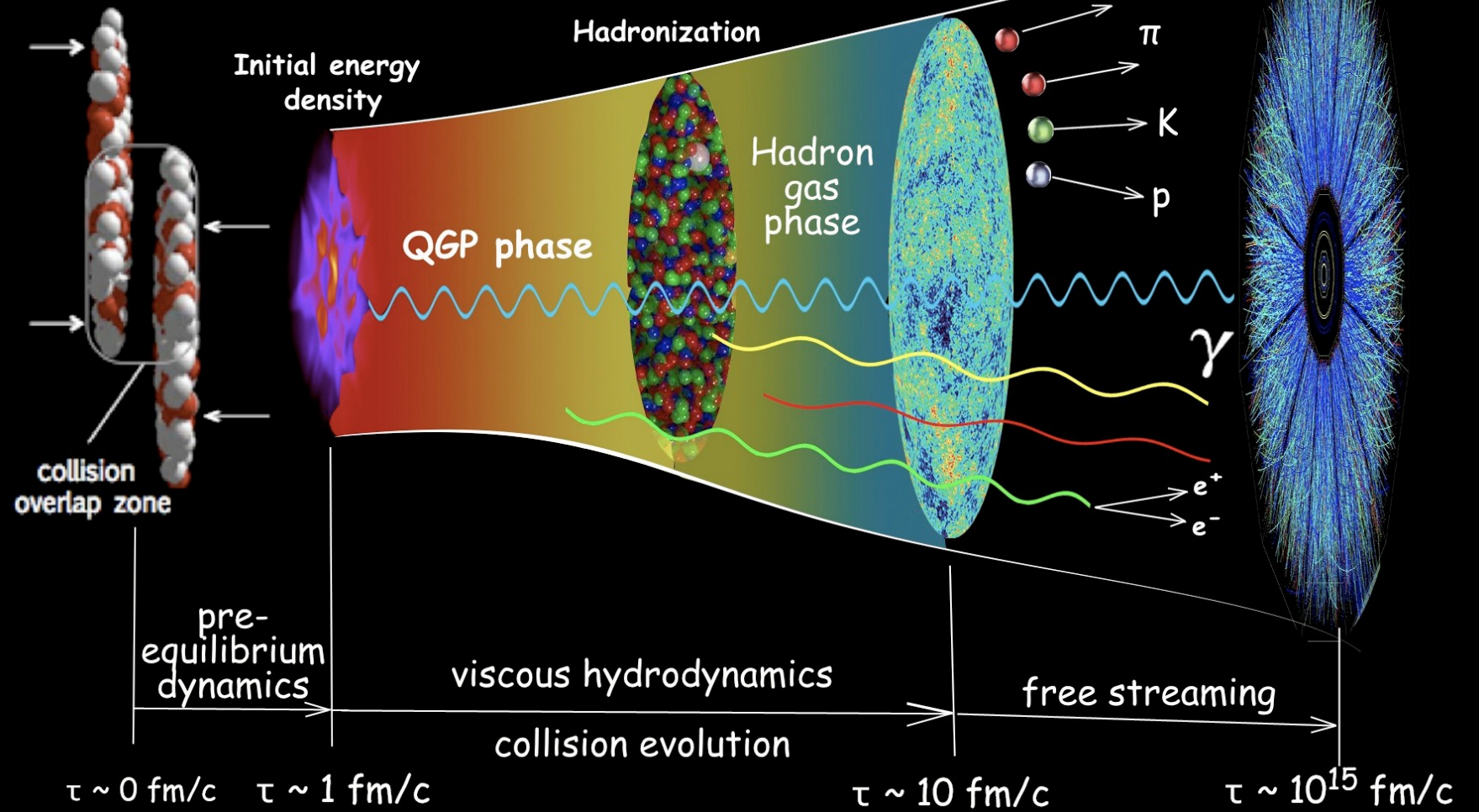
Advisors:  
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