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“Study of QCD matter with the ALICE detector”

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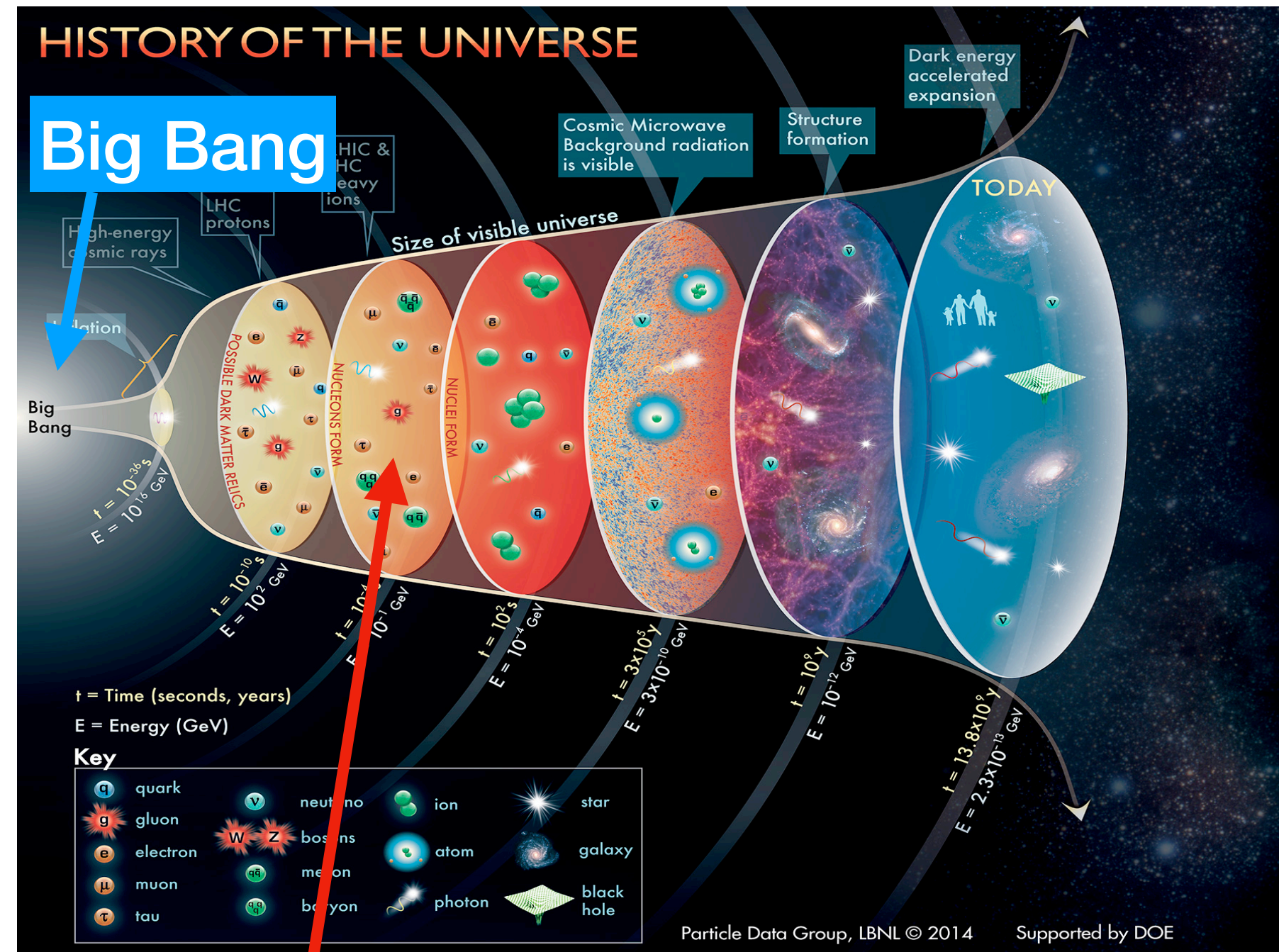
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Scientific context: quark-gluon plasma

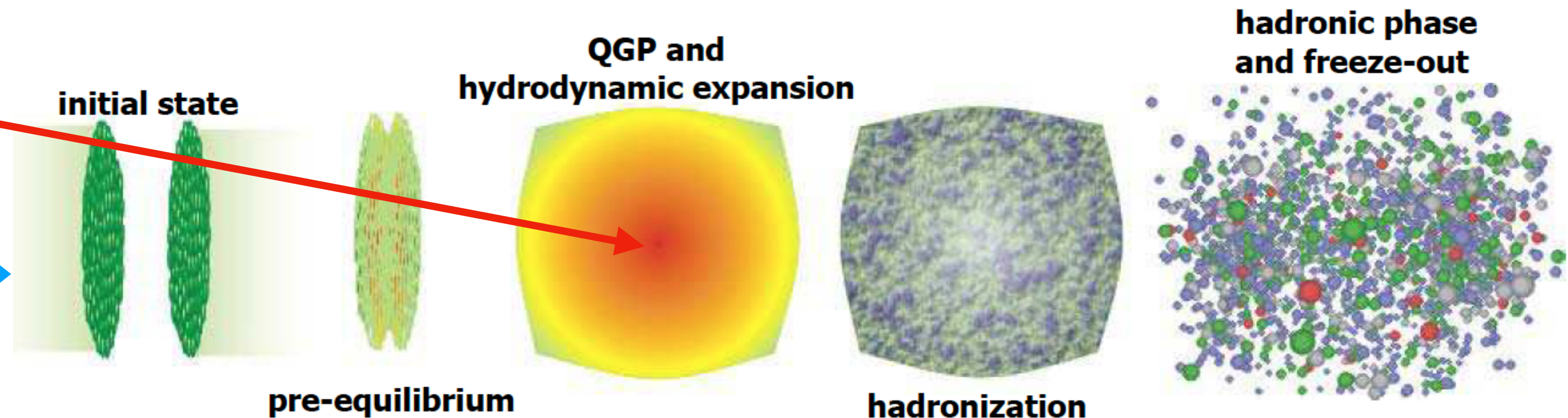
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- Explore properties of the **primordial matter state**, existed after **a few μs** of the **Big Bang**
 - ➔ **Quark-gluon plasma (QGP)**
- Heavy-ion collisions – the QGP factory
 - ➔ Create extreme conditions of temperature and energy density
 - ➔ QGP created at the LHC: $T_{\text{eff}} \approx 340 \text{ MeV}$

Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP)

Heavy-ion collisions

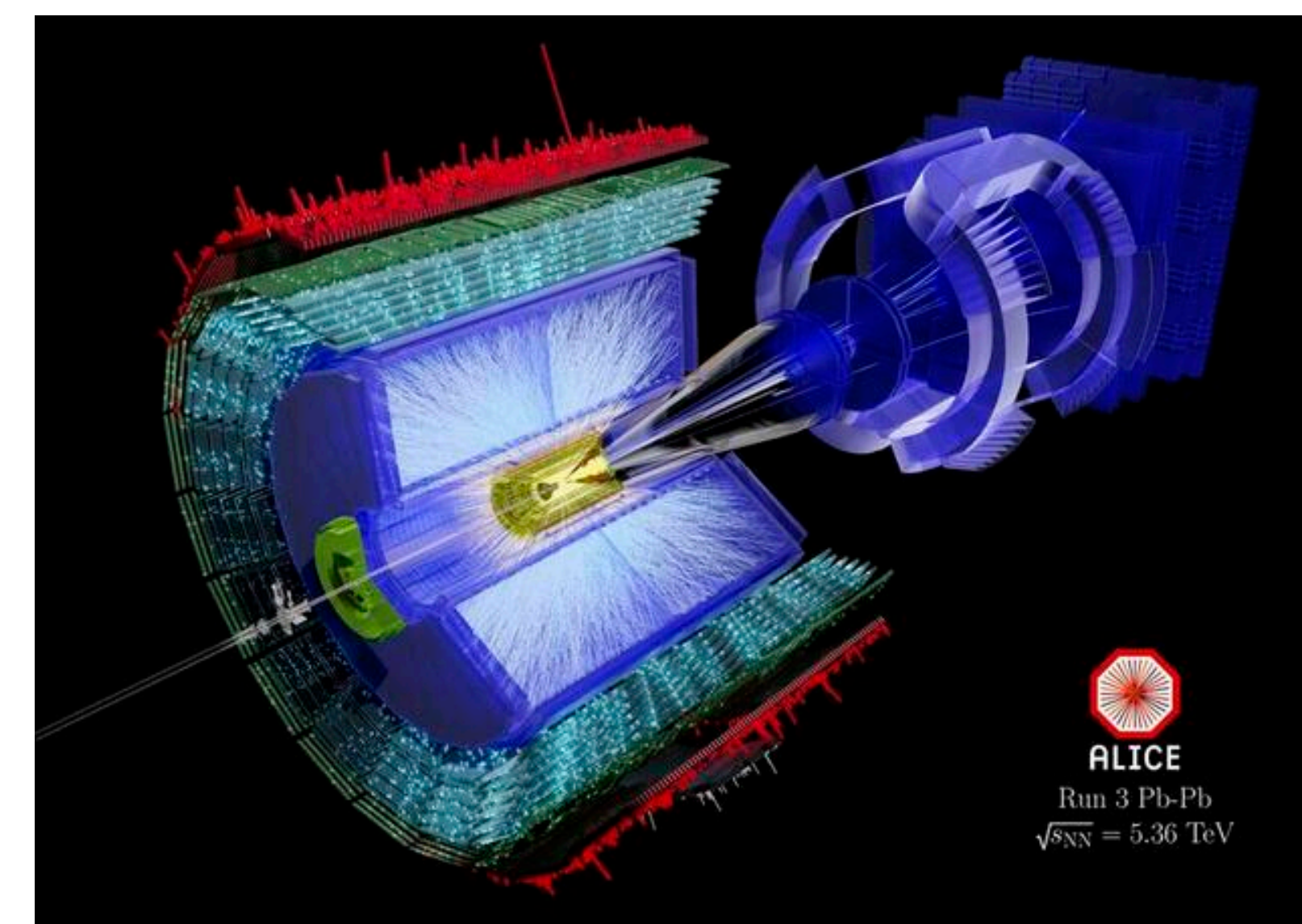
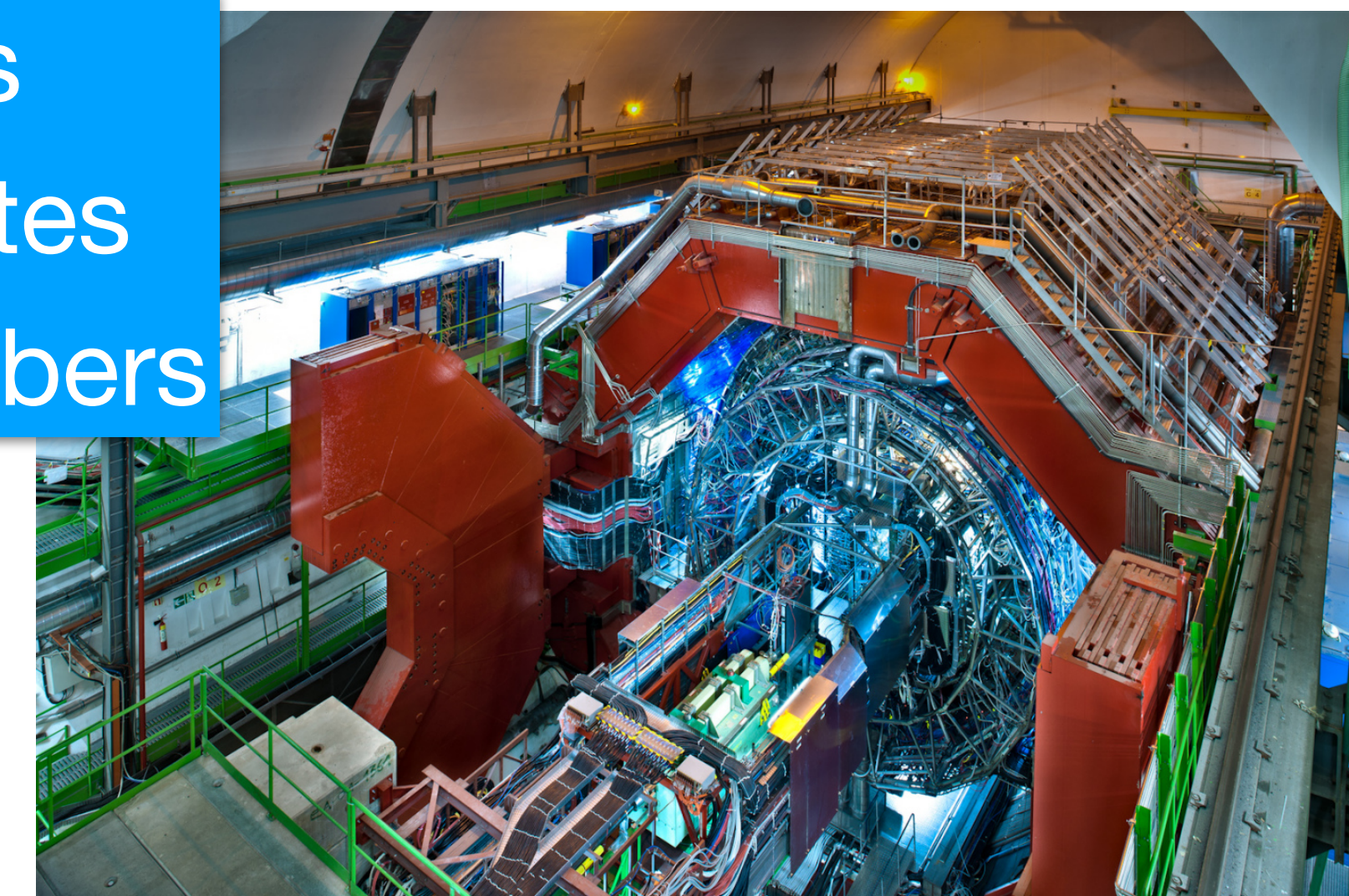


ALICE Collaboration

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A large ion collider experiment — ALICE

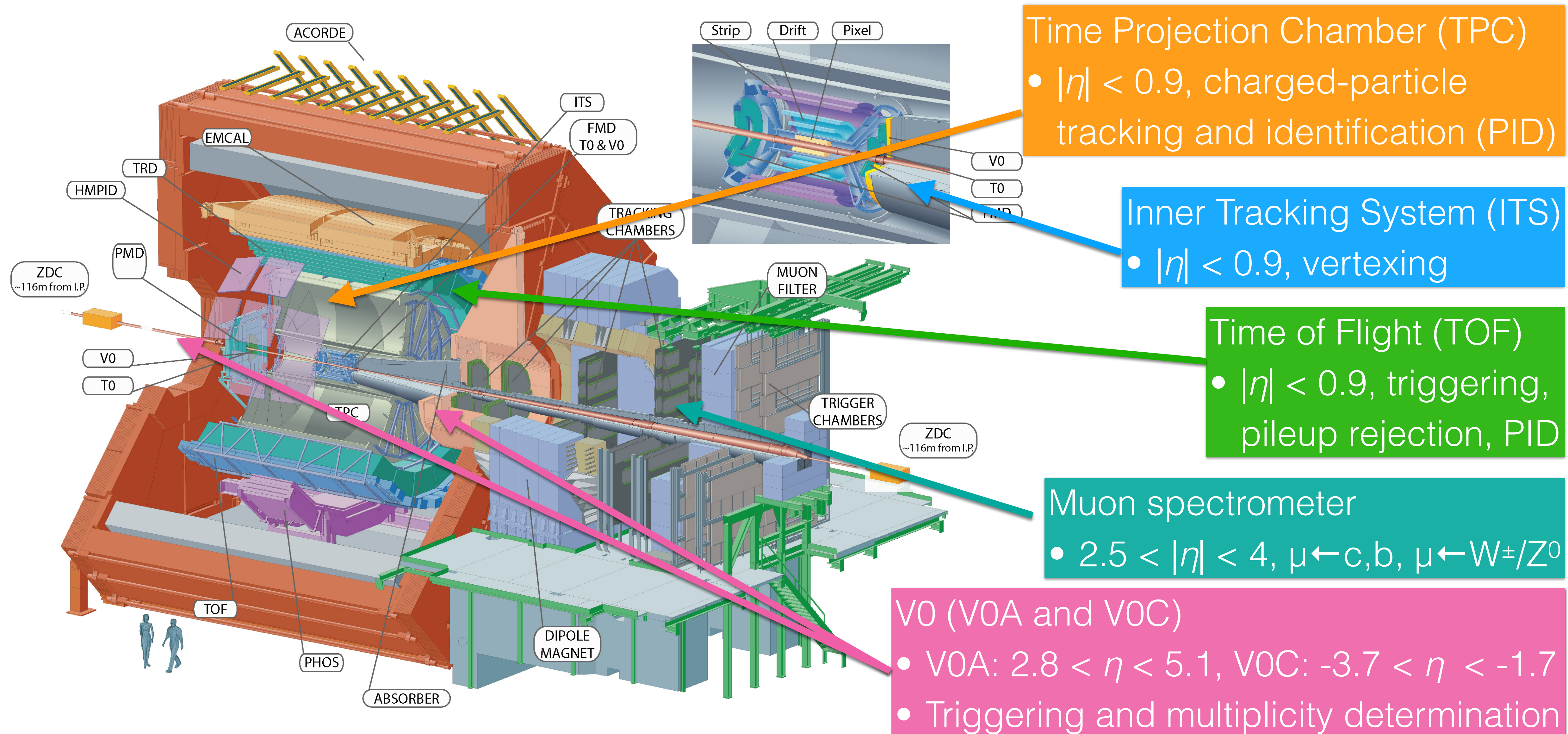
- 40 countries
- 170 institutes
- 1989 members



Study the primordial matter existed after the Big Bang via ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collision “little bang”

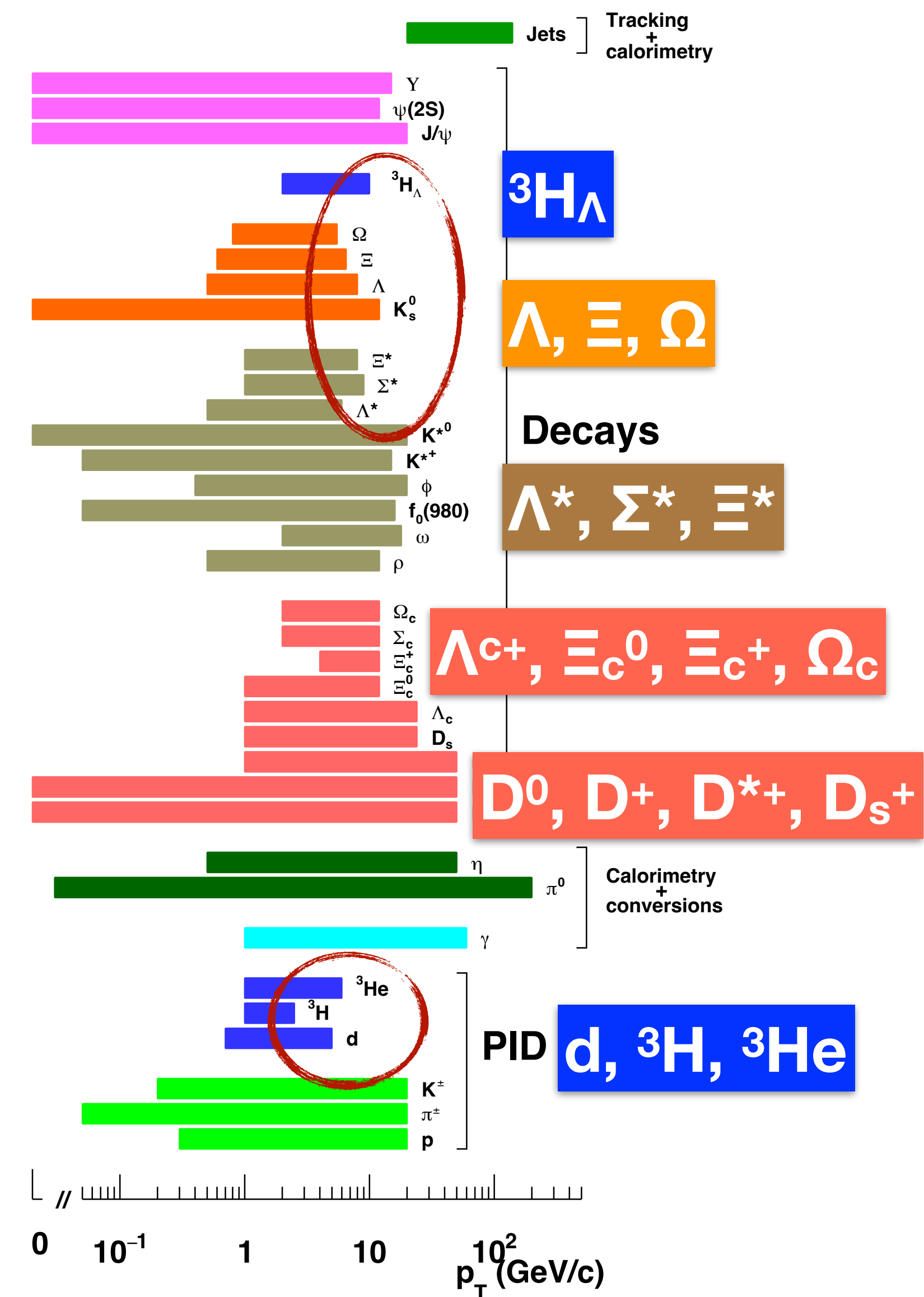
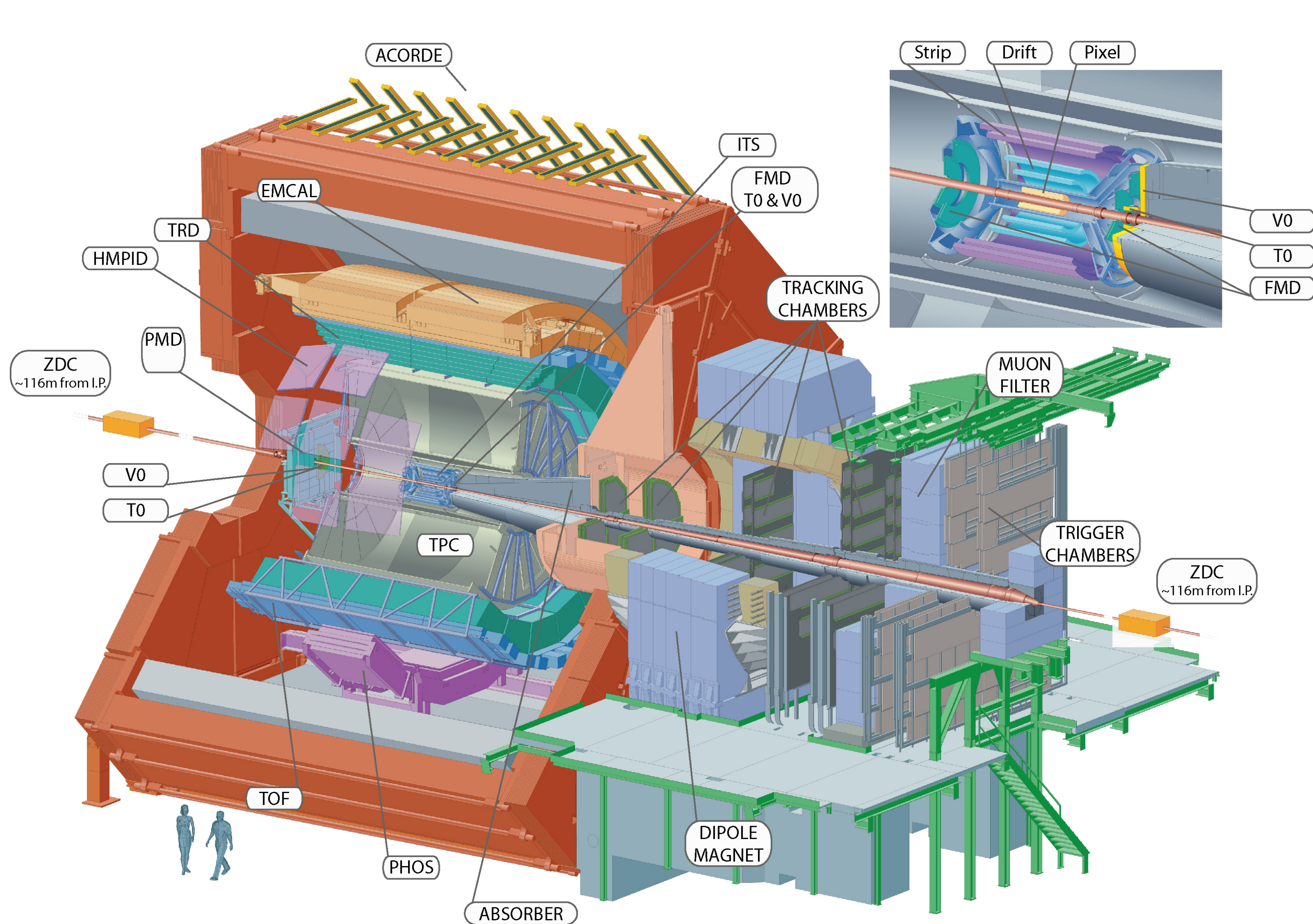
ALICE apparatus (till Run2)

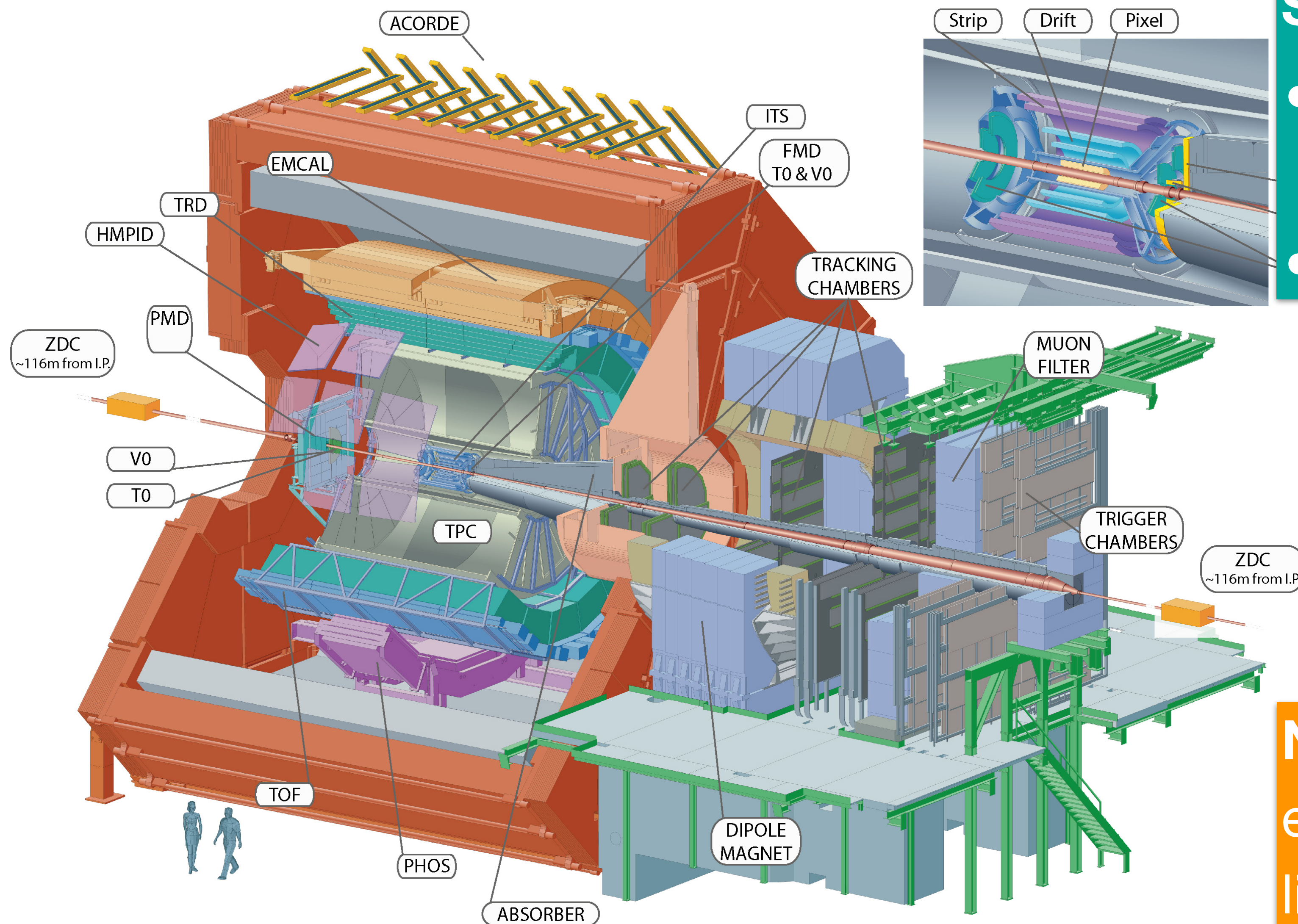
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ALICE capability of PID

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Soft physics

- Event multiplicity and particle production
- Correlations and fluctuations

Hard probes

- Heavy quarks, jets and high- p_T photons
- Ultra-peripheral collisions

New physics: magnetic field effects, exotic particles, light nuclei, antimatter...

- 7 Chinese institutes and 8 French institutes
- Cooperation covers a large fraction of ALICE topics

China institutes

- CCNU, Wuhan
- CIAE, Beijing
- CUG, Wuhan
- HUST, Wuhan
- HUT, Wuhan
- USTC, Hefei
- Fudan, Shanghai

France institutes

- IPNL & CC-IN2P3, Lyon
- IPNO, Orsay
- IPHC, Strasbourg
- LPC, Clermont-Fd
- LPSC, Grenoble
- Subatech, Nantes
- IRFU, Saclay

Shopping list (keywords)

Photons and neutral hadrons

Low mass vector particles

Flow and correlations

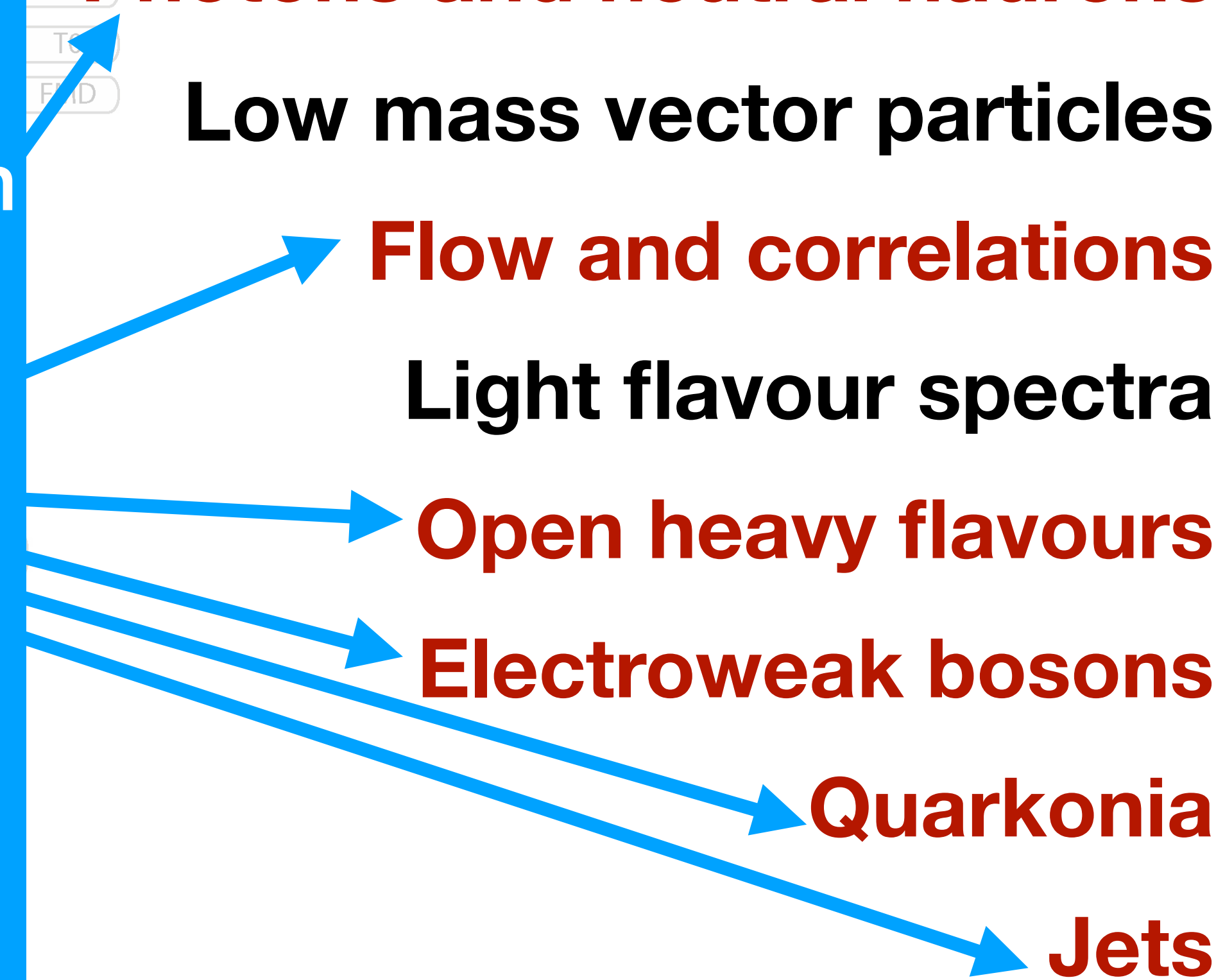
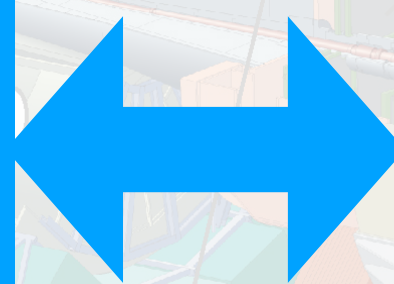
Light flavour spectra

Open heavy flavours

Electroweak bosons

Quarkonia

Jets



FCPPN/L-ALICE members

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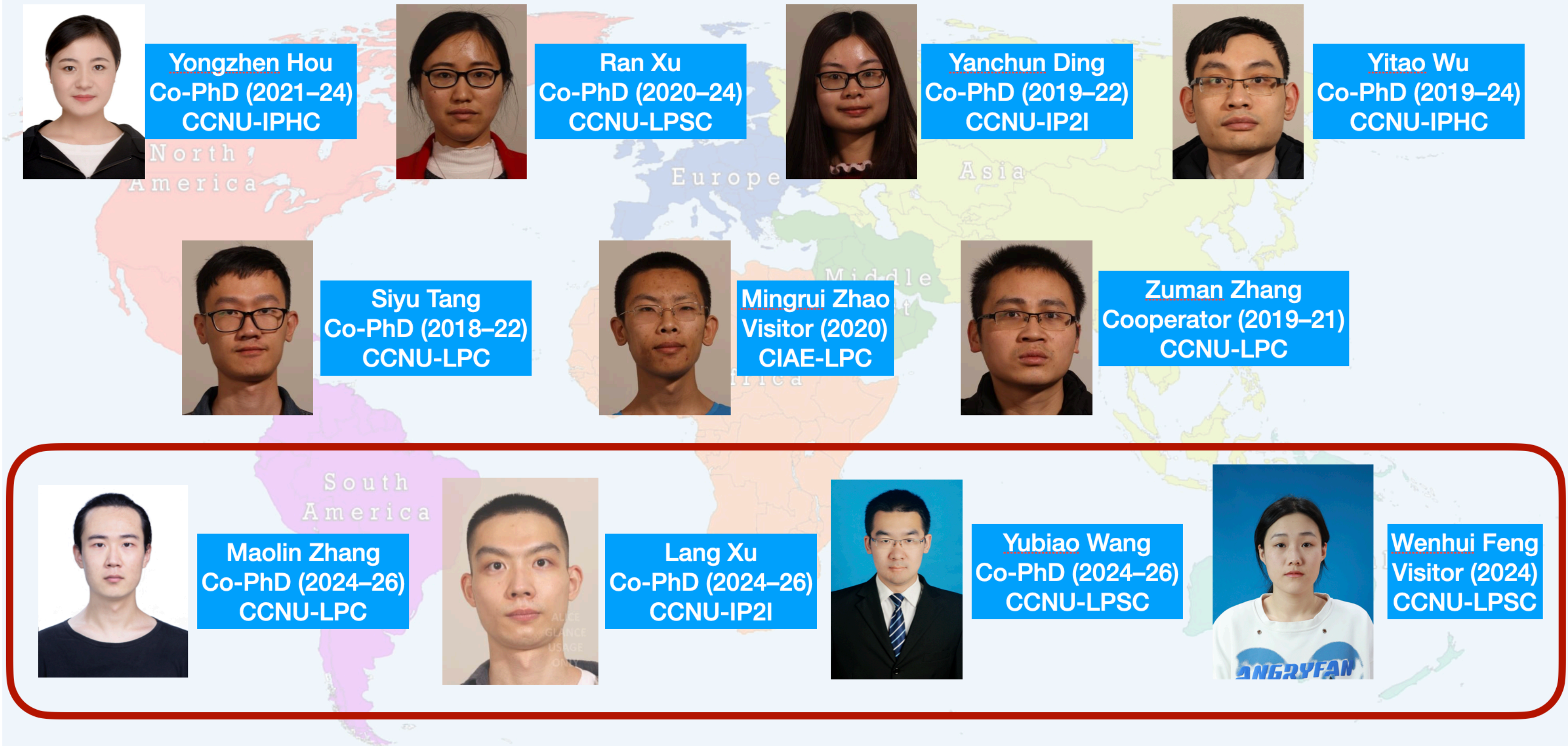
- 67 members in 2024 project application
 - ➔ It was 36 members in 2009
 - ➔ Robust, continue growing cooperation!
- Covered activities
 - ➔ MUON spectrometer and new Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)
 - ➔ ITS2 and ITS3 upgrade projects
 - ➔ Calorimeters
 - ➔ ALICE3 upgrade project (under discussion)

History and achievements

- ~6/year bilateral visits of senior physicists and engineers/technicians
- 3 postdoc exchanges since 2009
- 10 defended joint-PhD theses since 2008
- > 20 mater student trainings since 2007

All former joint-PhDs got permanent or postdoc positions in academic filed

- 2 joint-PhD defenses are scheduled in 2024
- 3 ongoing joint-PhD programmes
- 2 mater student trainings are proposed in 2024



Published peer-viewed paper (6)

- [Y. Mao et al.](#), Groomed charm-jet substructure in pp collisions, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **131** (2023) 192301
- [X. Zhang et al.](#), Charged-jet production in pp and p–Pb collisions, *JHEP* **2305** (2024) 041
- [X. Zhang et al.](#), (Multi-)strange particle production in jets in pp and p–Pb collisions, *JHEP* **2307** (2023) 136
- [M. Zhao, G. Taillepied et al.](#), W-boson production in p–Pb and Pb–Pb collisions, *JHEP* **2305** (2023) 036
- [S. Tang et al.](#), Anisotropies flow of muons at forward rapidity in p–Pb collisions, *Phys. Lett.* **B846** (2023) 137782
- [S. Tang et al.](#), Supplemental material of jet particle flow, [ALICE-PUBLIC-2022-020](#)

Submitted papers (4)

- [S. Tang et al.](#), Azimuthal anisotropy of jet particles in p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions, [arXiv:2212.12609](#), submitted to *Phys. Rev. Lett.*
- [Y. Hou et al.](#), Medium-induced low- p_T jet modification from pp to Pb-Pb collisions, [arXiv:2308.16131](#), accepted by *Phys. Rev. Lett.*
- [Y. Hou et al.](#), Measuring jet quenching using hadron-jet correlations, [arXiv:2308.16128](#), submitted to *Phys. Rev. C*
- [Y. Ding et al.](#), Y production at forward rapidity in pp collisions, [arXiv:2209.04241](#), submitted to *Phys. Lett. B*

Papers under the ALICE review (1)

[R. Xu et al.](#), Isolated photon production in pp collisions, [tagged journal: Phys. Lett. B](#)

Conference proceedings (4)

X. Zhang @ FPCP2024, Y. Hou @ HP2023, X. Bai @ HP2023, X. Bai @ SPIN2023

Scientific production (Nov. 2023 – now)

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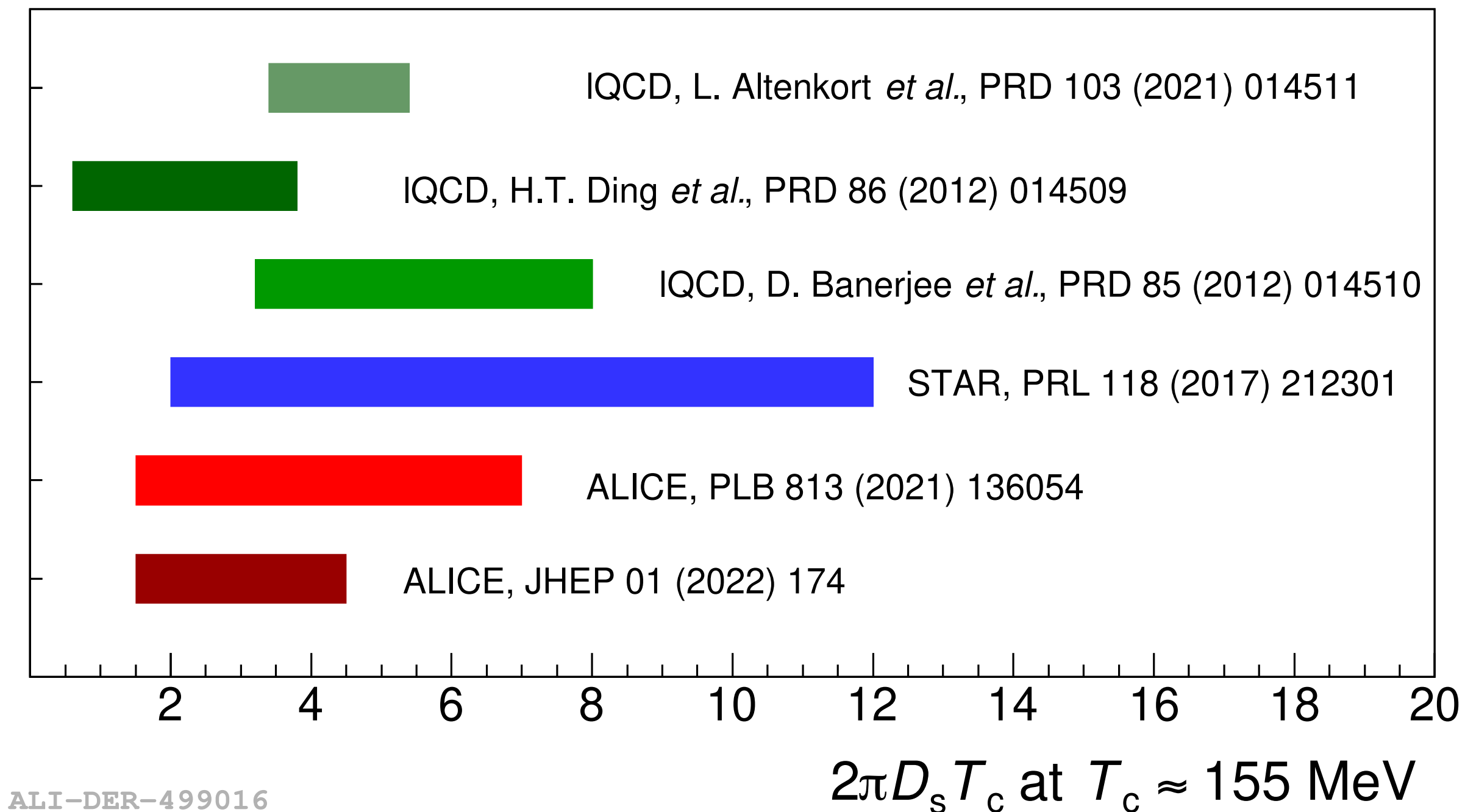
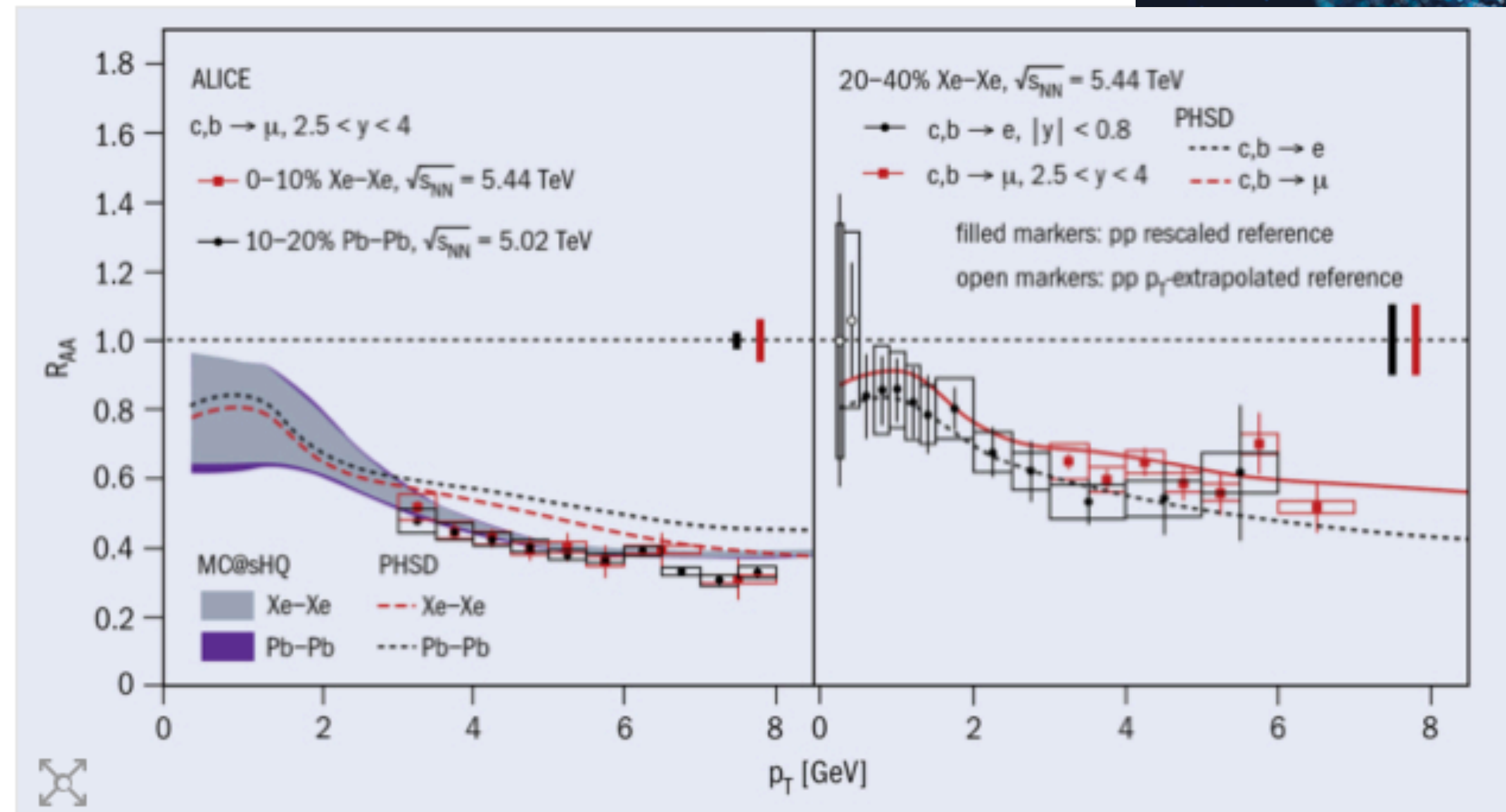
- Xiaoming ZHANG, “Recent open heavy-flavour highlight from ALICE”, FPCP2024, 27–31 May 2024, Bangkok, Thailand
- Maolin ZHANG, “Charm and beauty hadron production in hadronic collisions with ALICE”, SQM2024, 3–7 Jun 2024, Strasbourg, France
- Maolin ZHANG, “Study of charm and beauty production at forward rapidity”, QGP France 2024, 21–24 May 2024, Bagnoles de l’Orne, France
- Antonio Uras, “ALICE 3 upgrade project”, QGP France 2024, 21–24 May 2024, Bagnoles de l’Orne, France
- Gustavo Conesa Balbastre, “Recent measurements of isolated photons cross section and their correlation with hadrons with ALICE at the LHC”, QGP France 2024, 21–24 May 2024, Bagnoles de l’Orne, France
- Yaxian Mao, “Study of jet physics”, QPT2023, 15-19 December 2023 Zhuhai, China
- Mingze LI, “Investigate dead-cone effect in heavy-ion collisions”, QPT2023, 15-19 December 2023 Zhuhai, China
- Maolin ZHANG, “Investigate heavy quark production at forward rapidity via semi-muonic decays with ALICE at the LHC”, CLHCP2023, 15-20 Nov 2023 Shanghai, China
- Lang XU, “Study of (multi-)strange hadrons production in jets and the underlying event with ALICE”, CLHCP2023, 15-20 Nov 2023 Shanghai, China
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13 presentations given by students and faculties in international conferences and workshops since Nov. 2023, including SQM2024, FPCP2024, and QPT2023

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Heavy flavours probe QGP geometry

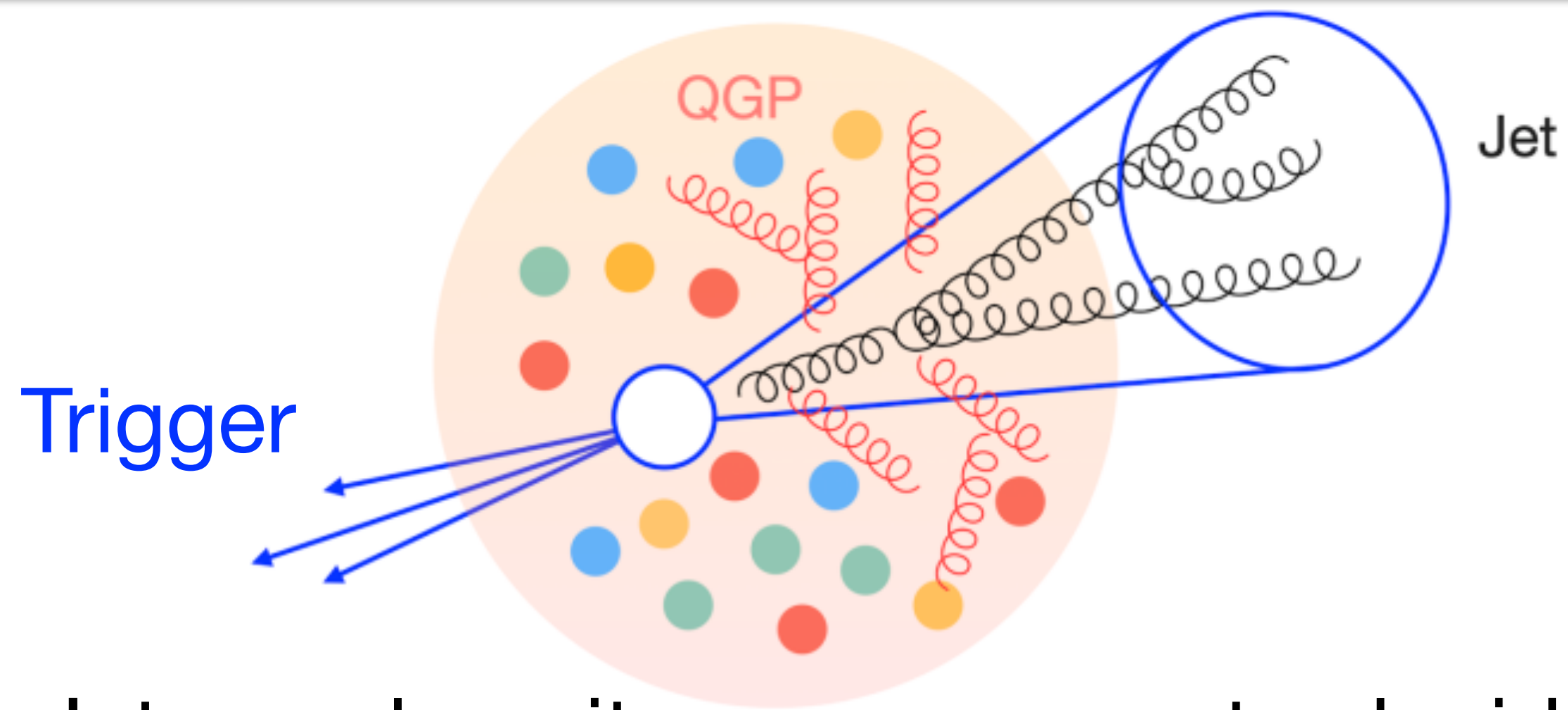
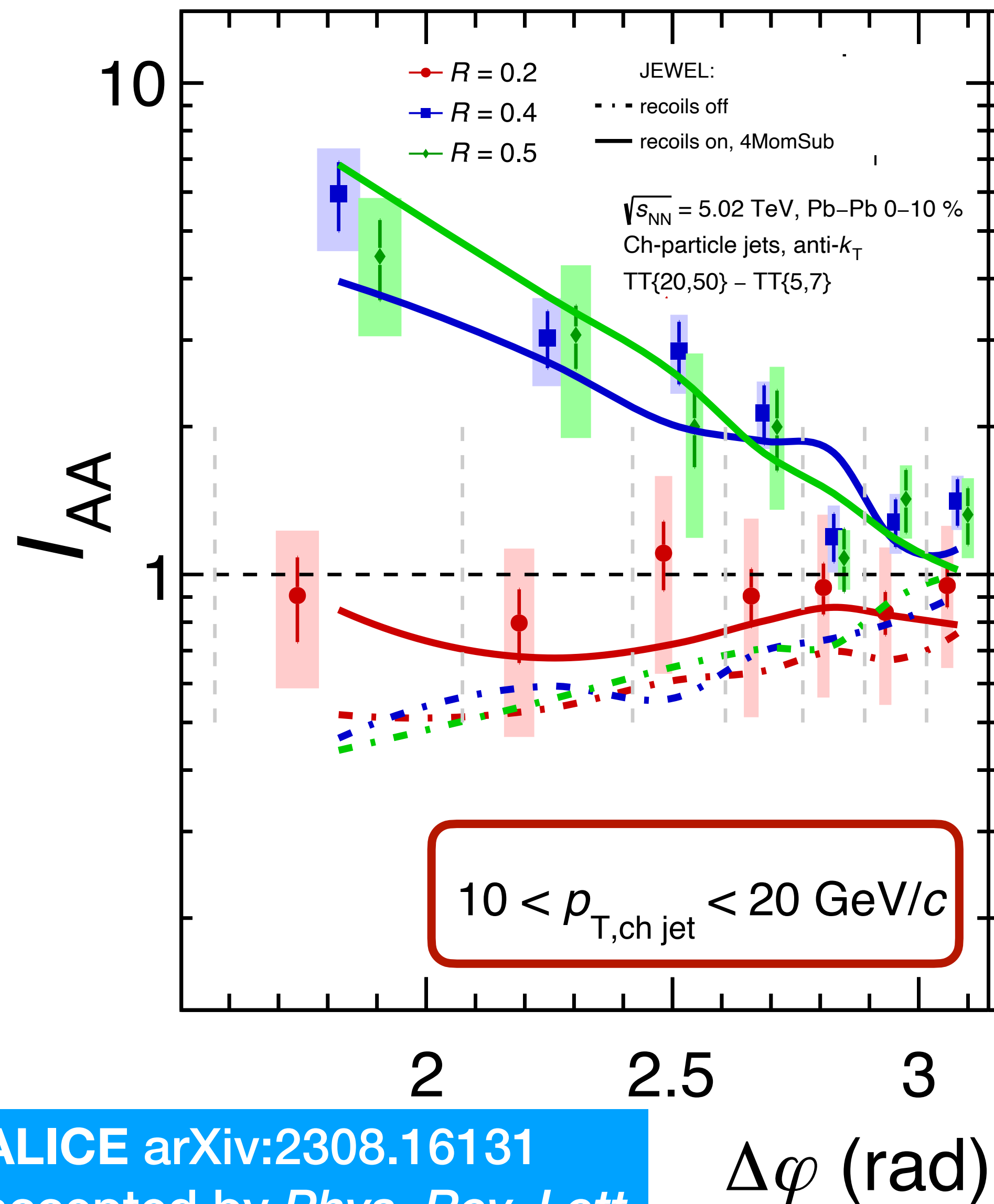
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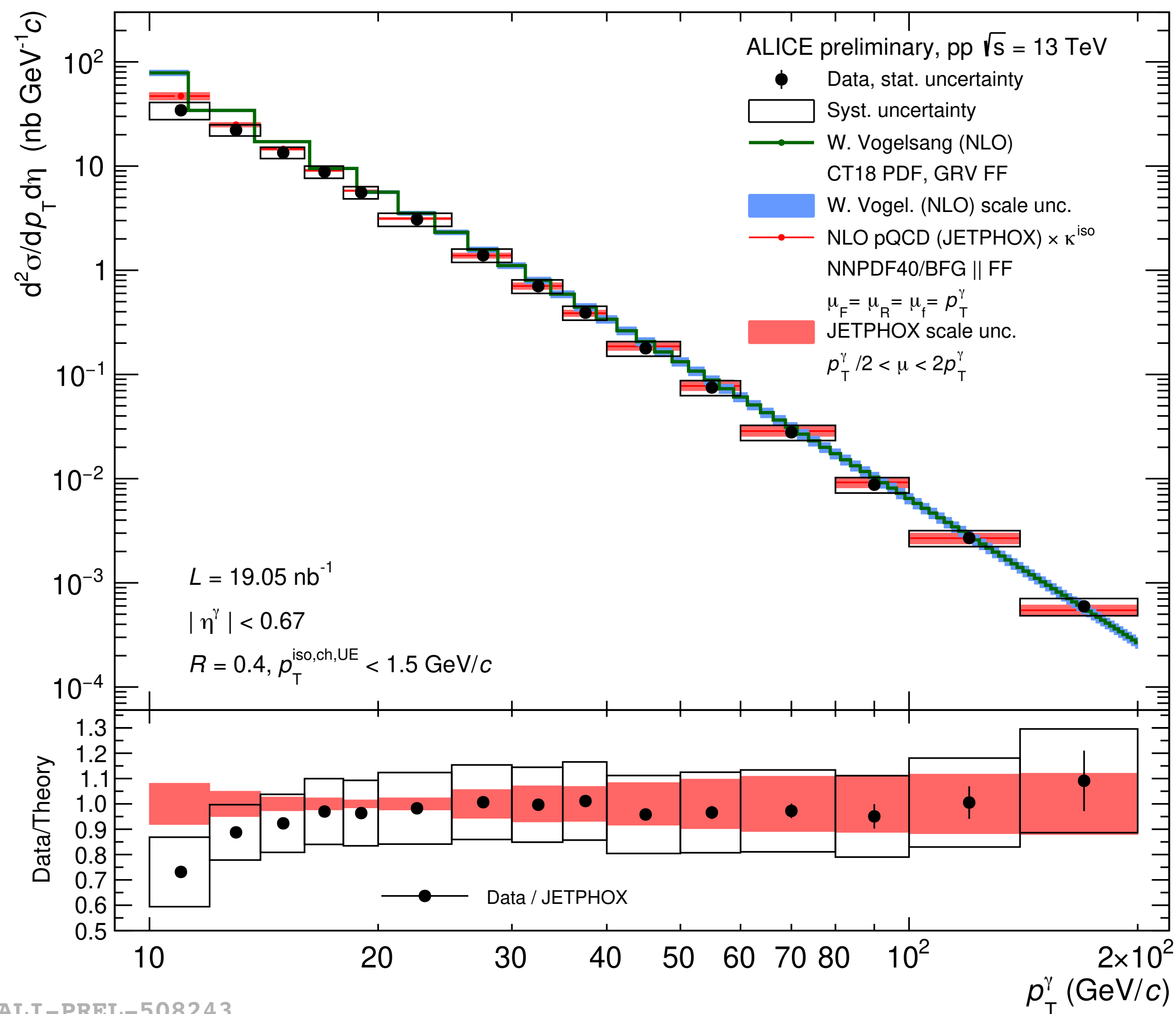
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- Provide high-precision tomography of the QGP
- Fix the energy loss mechanisms of heavy quarks
- Reveal the thermal degrees of freedom of heavy quarks in the QGP medium

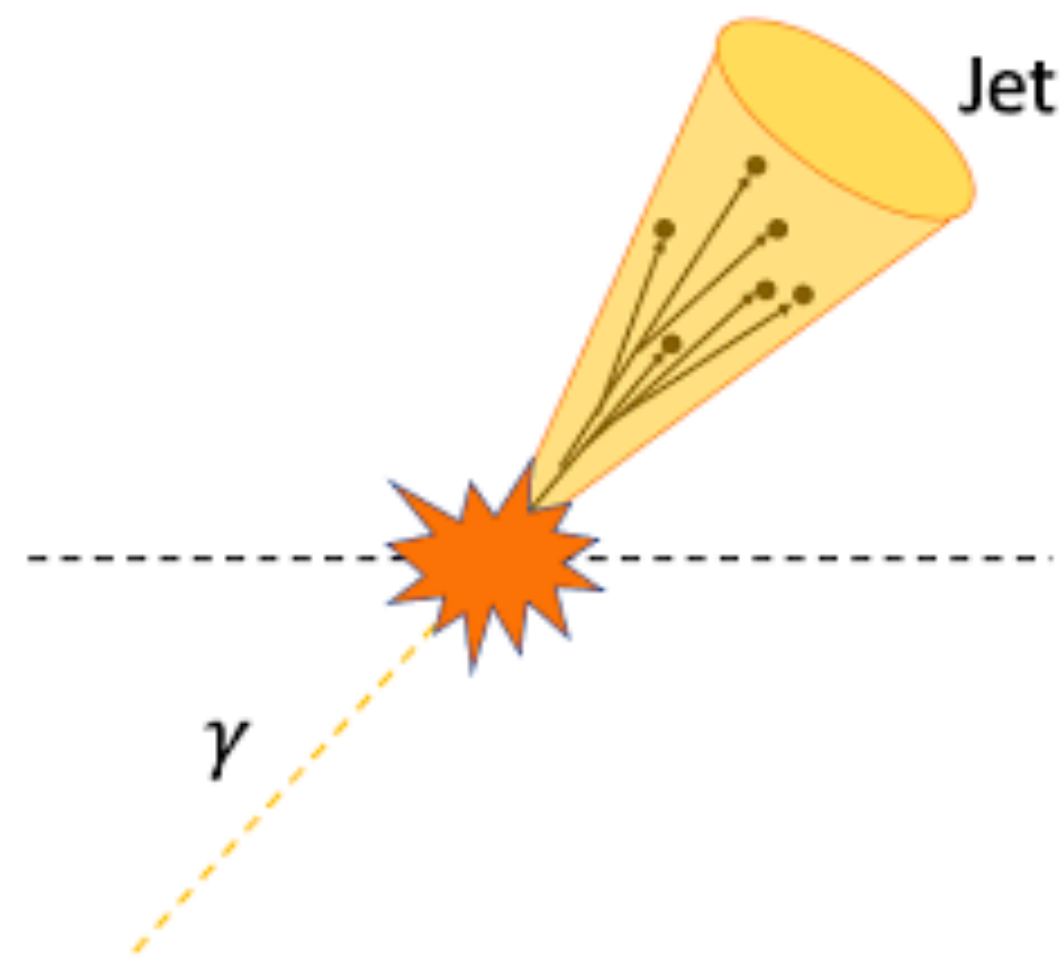


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 Co-PhD (2021–24)
 CCNU-IPHC

- Jet acoplanarity measurements elucidate the microscopic structure of the QGP
- Semi-inclusive production is immune to complex uncorrelated background in heavy-ion collisions
- Data suggests medium response and medium-induced splitting is important for low p_T and large radial jet production but disfavors the large angular scattering

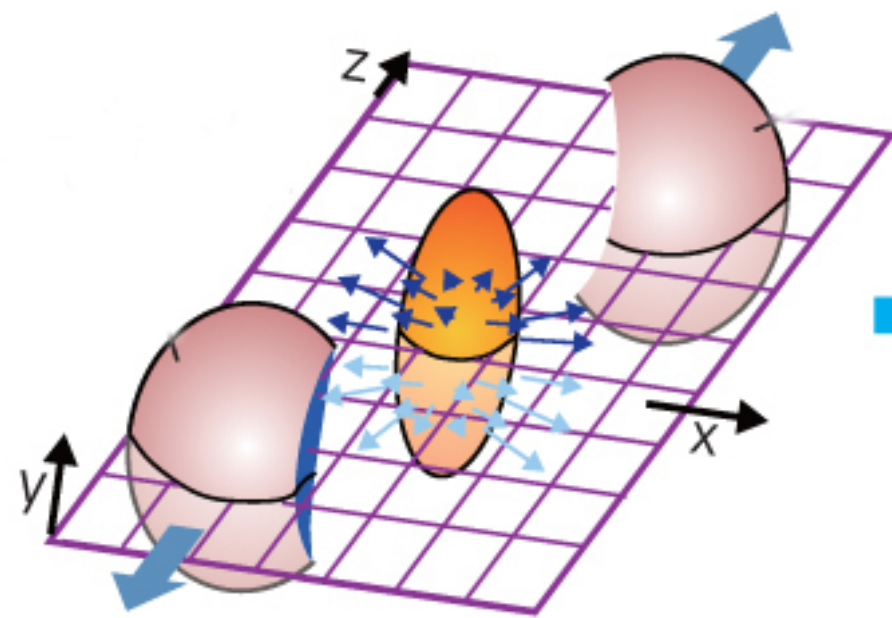


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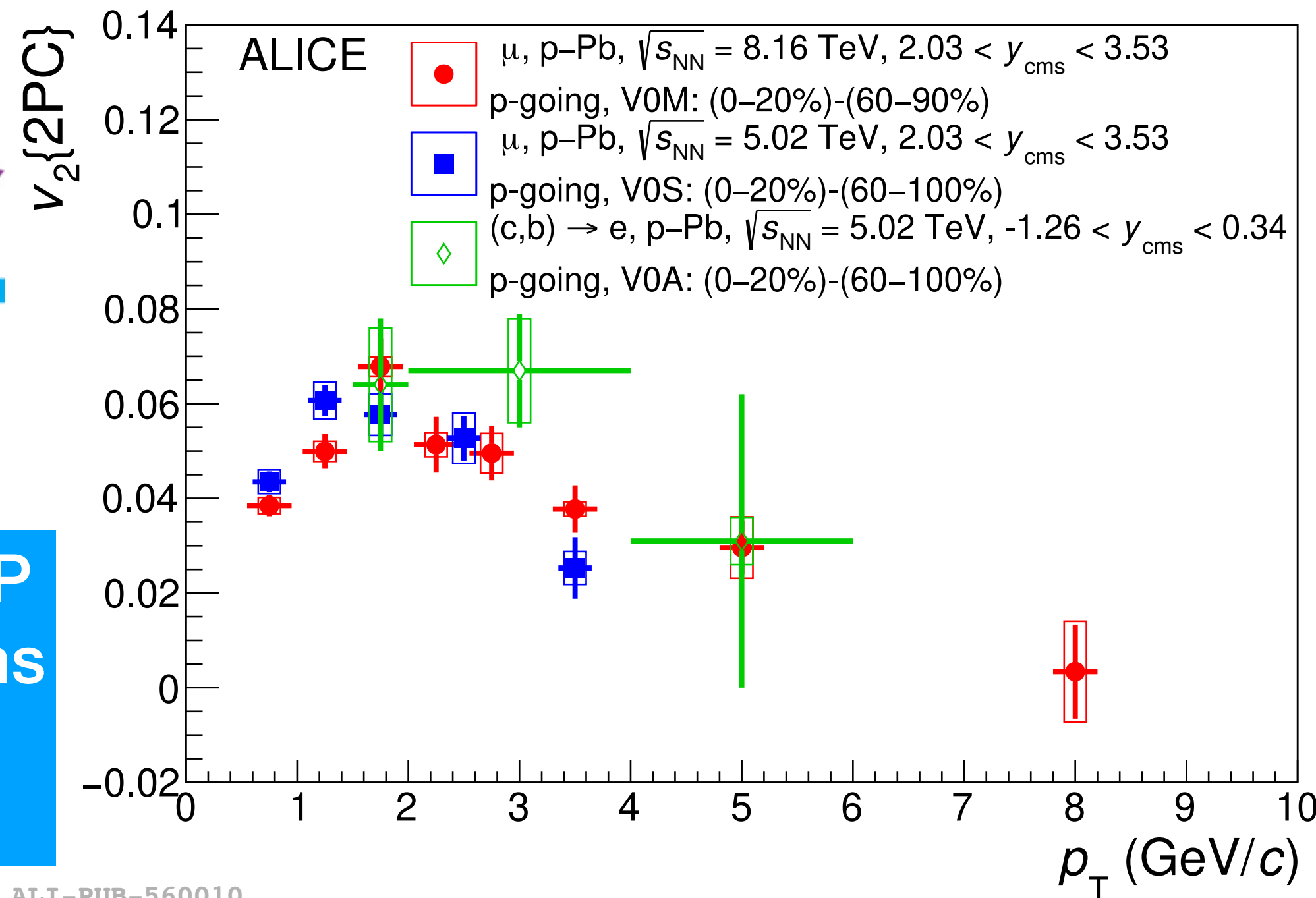


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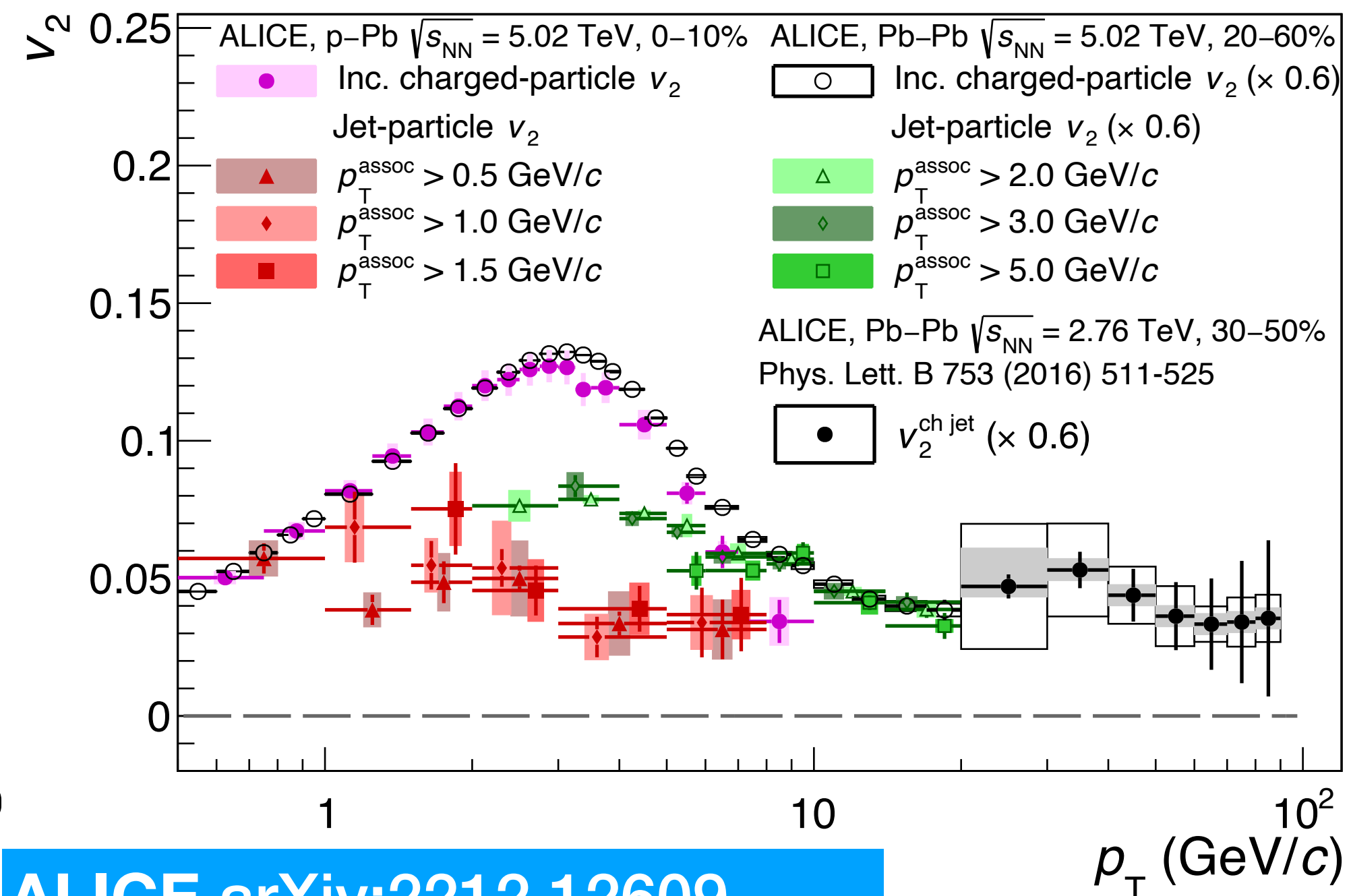
- p_T -differential measurement of the isolated direct photon production cross section in pp collisions in a wide p_T range and down to low p_T
- Well described by theoretical calculations, some tension with JETPHOX at low p_T



Signature of the QGP in heavy-ion collisions appears in small system collisions

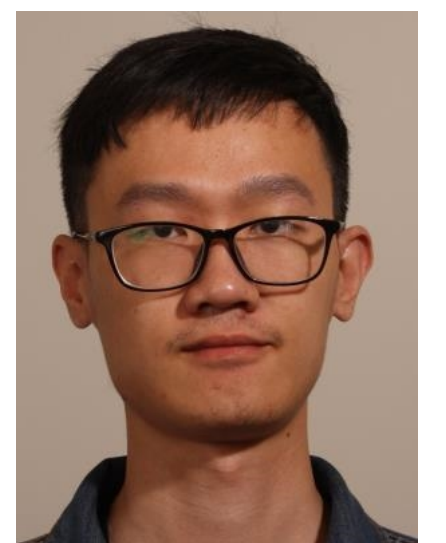


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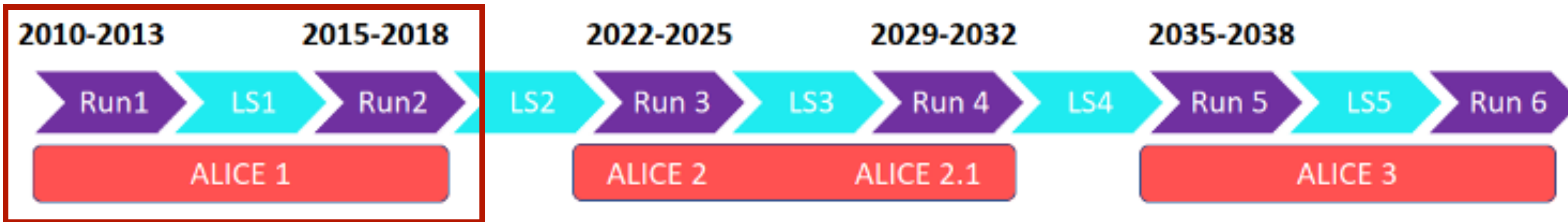
- Positive v_2 of inclusive muons at forward rapidity (dominated by HF decays in $p_T > 2$ GeV/c) — described by both parton escape (AMPT) and initial stages partons correlations (CGC) mechanisms
- Non-zero v_2 of jet particles in both Pb-Pb and p-Pb collisions, amplitude differs from that of the inclusive particles



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A journey through QCD

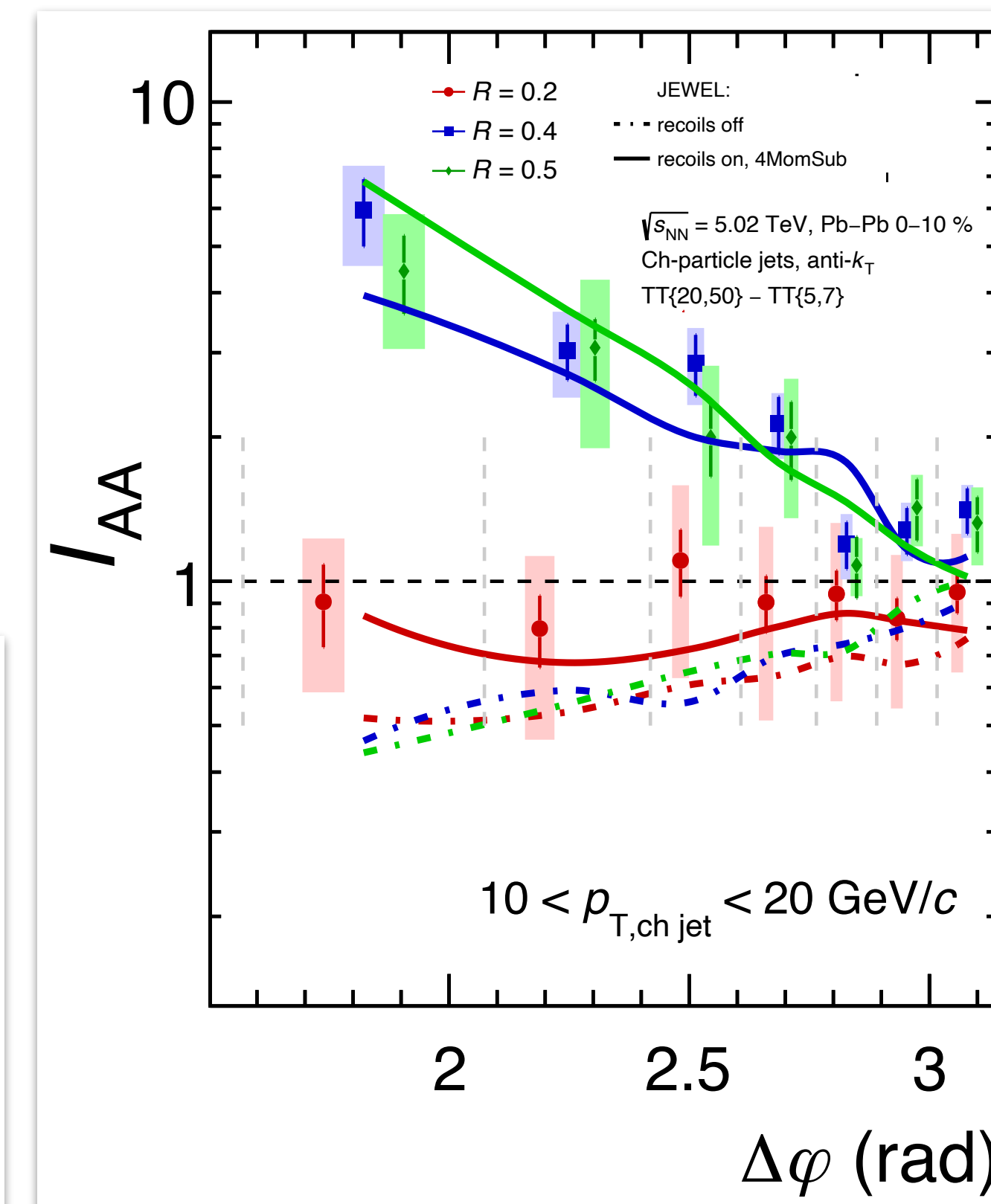
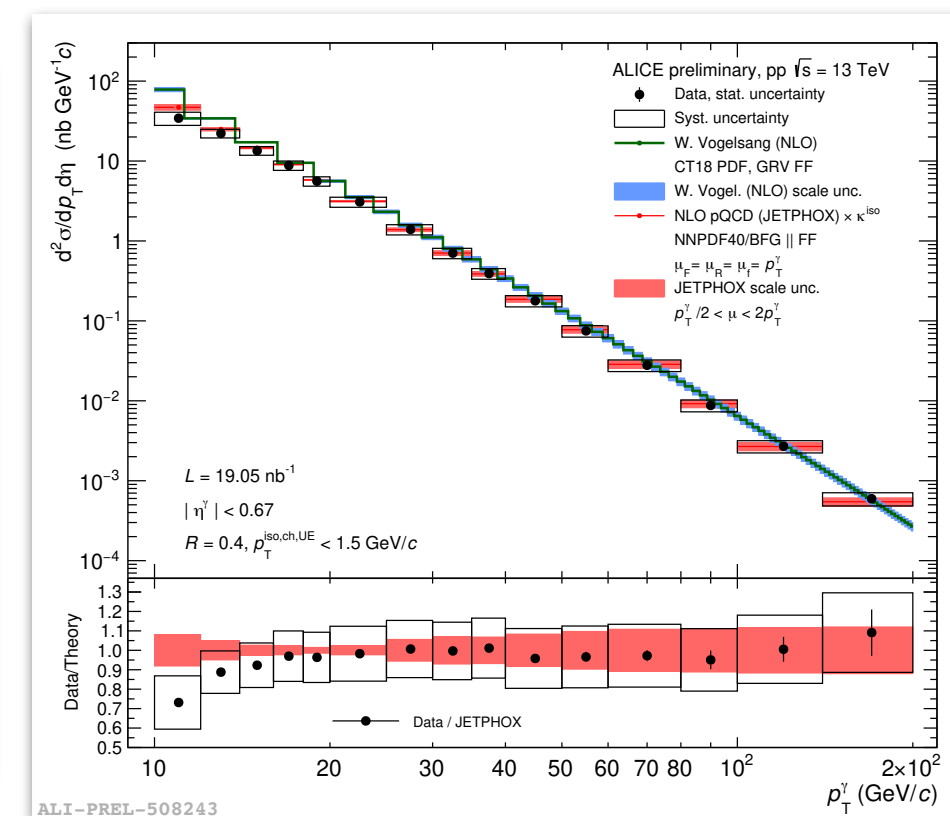
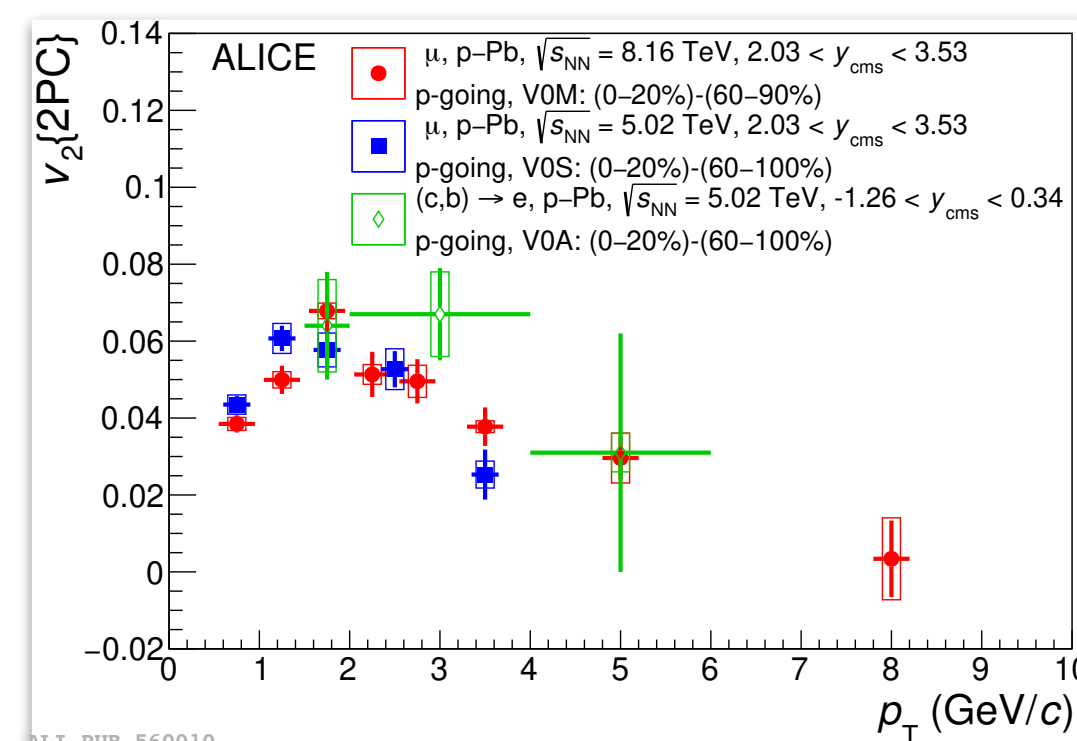
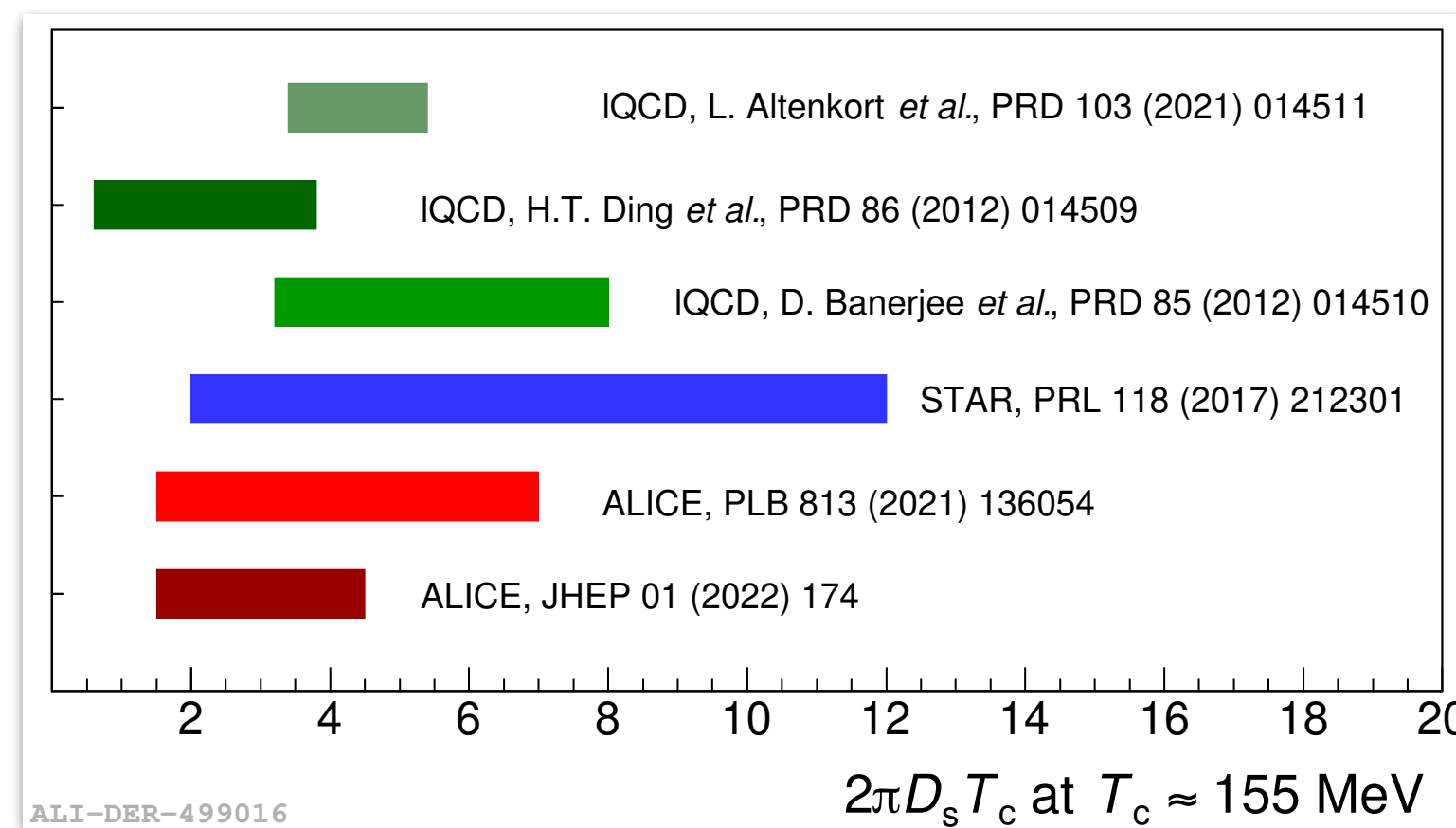
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The ALICE experiment:
A journey through QCD



A journey through QCD

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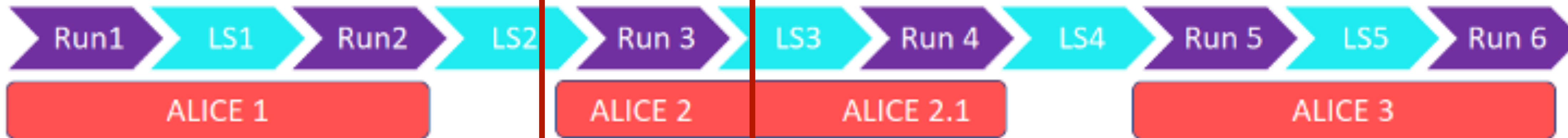
2010-2013

2015-2018

2022-2025

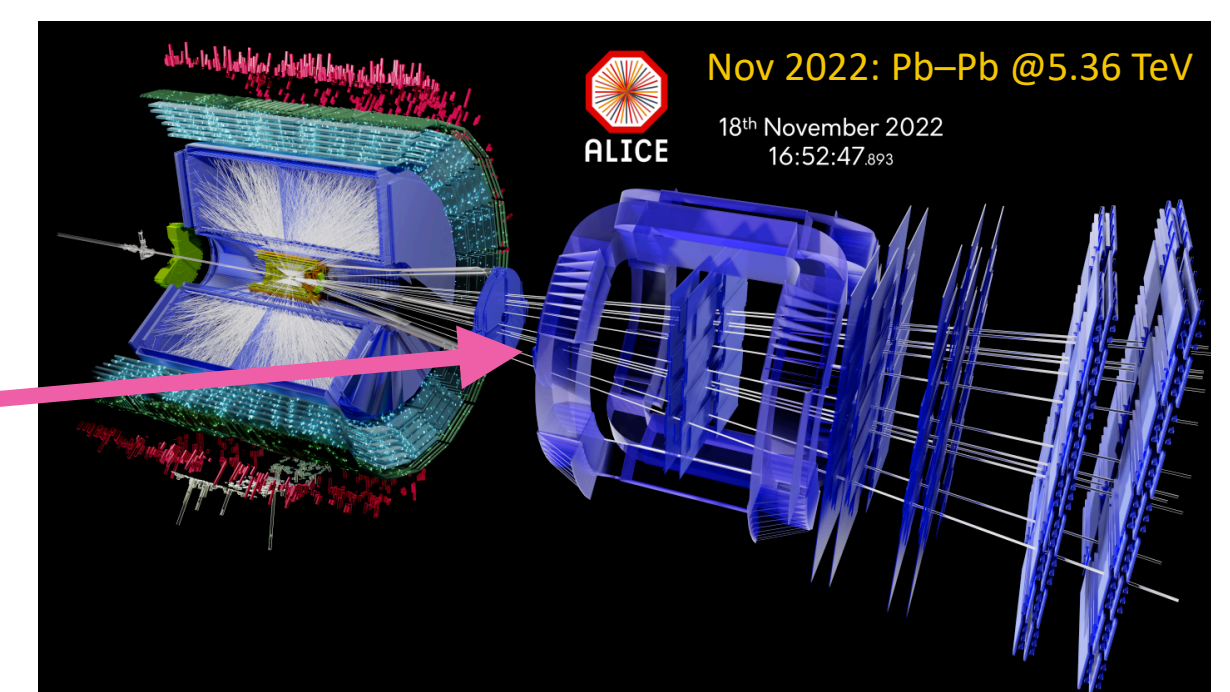
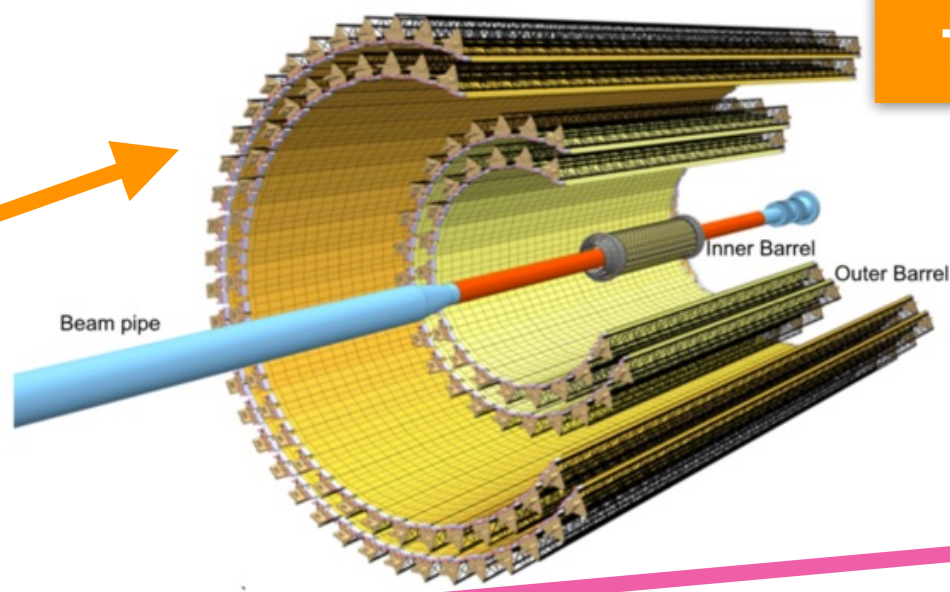
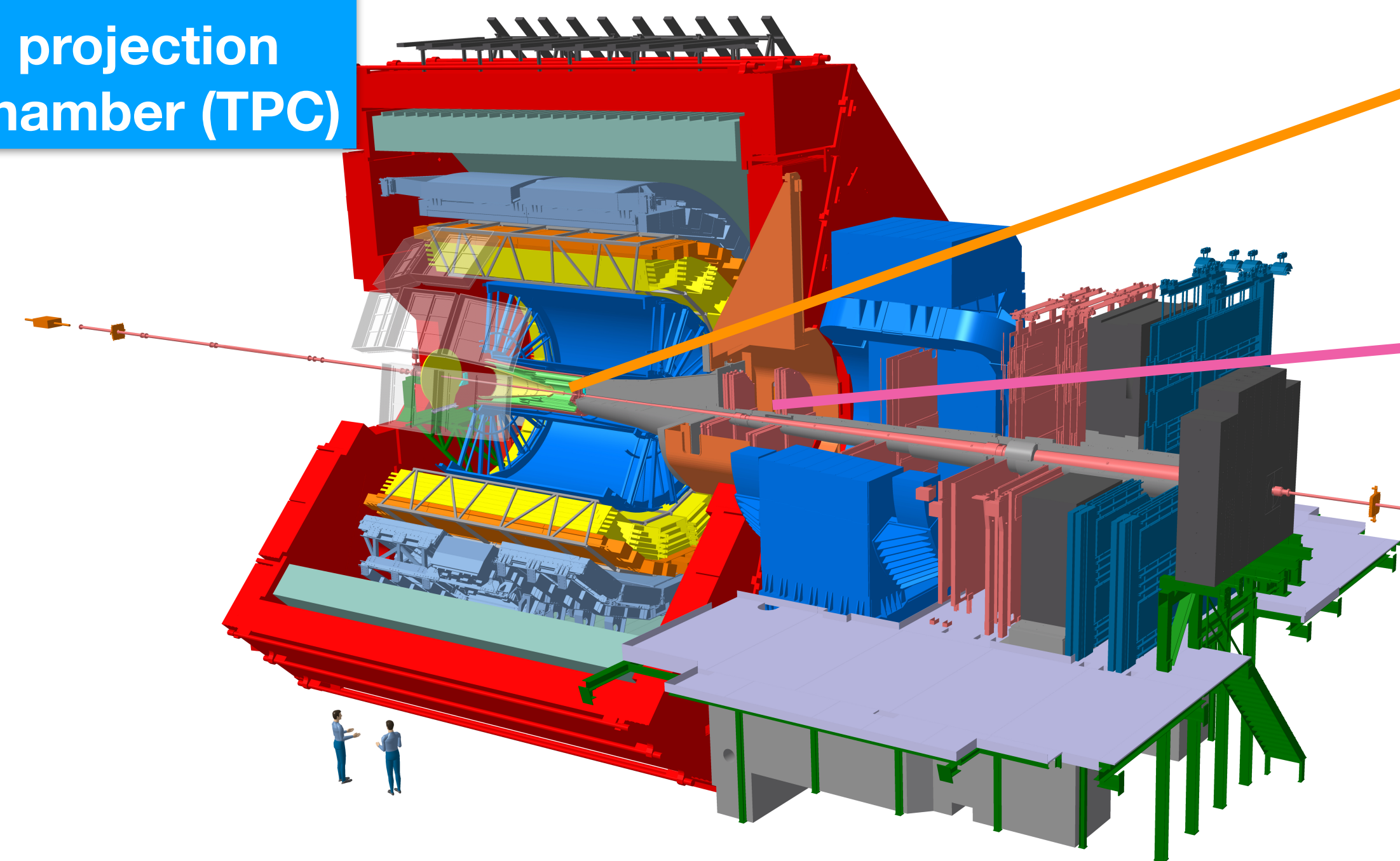
2029-2032

2035-2038

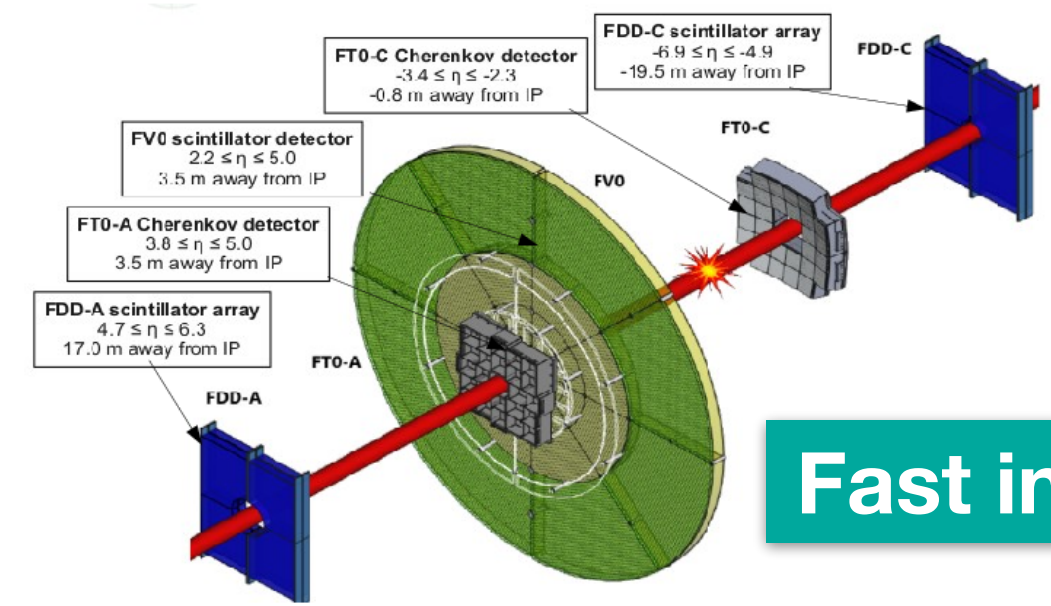


Upgraded readout of time projection chamber (TPC)

The 2nd generation inner tracking system (ITS2)



Muon forward tracker (MFT)

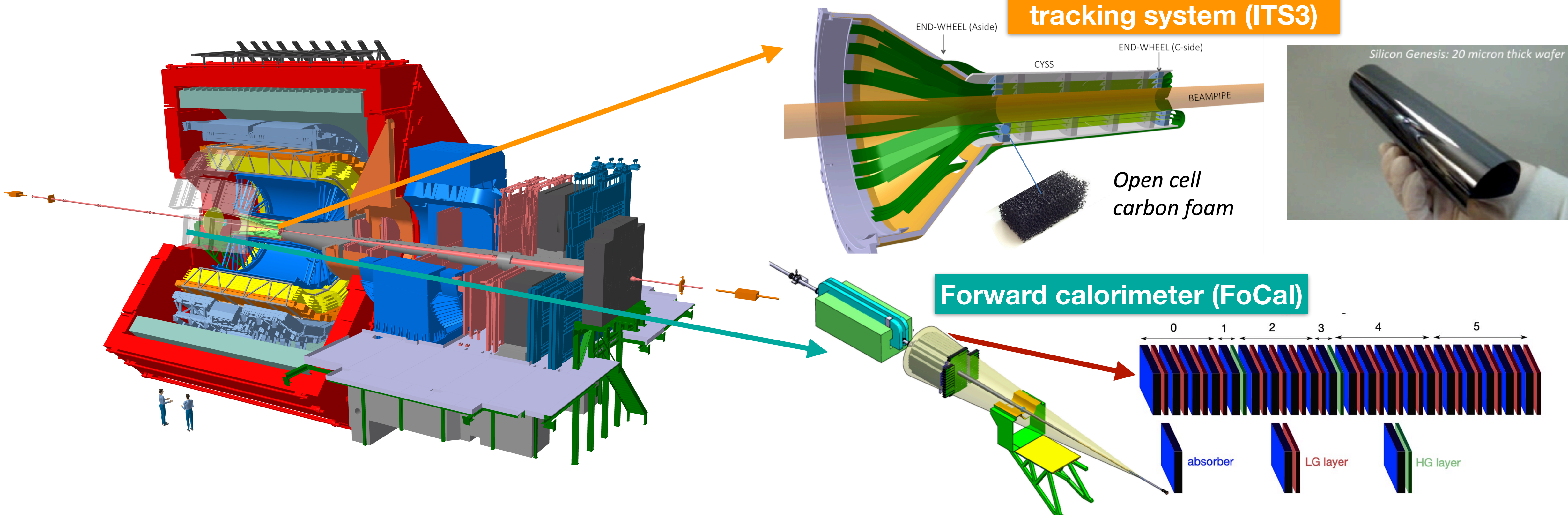


Fast integrated trigger (FIT)

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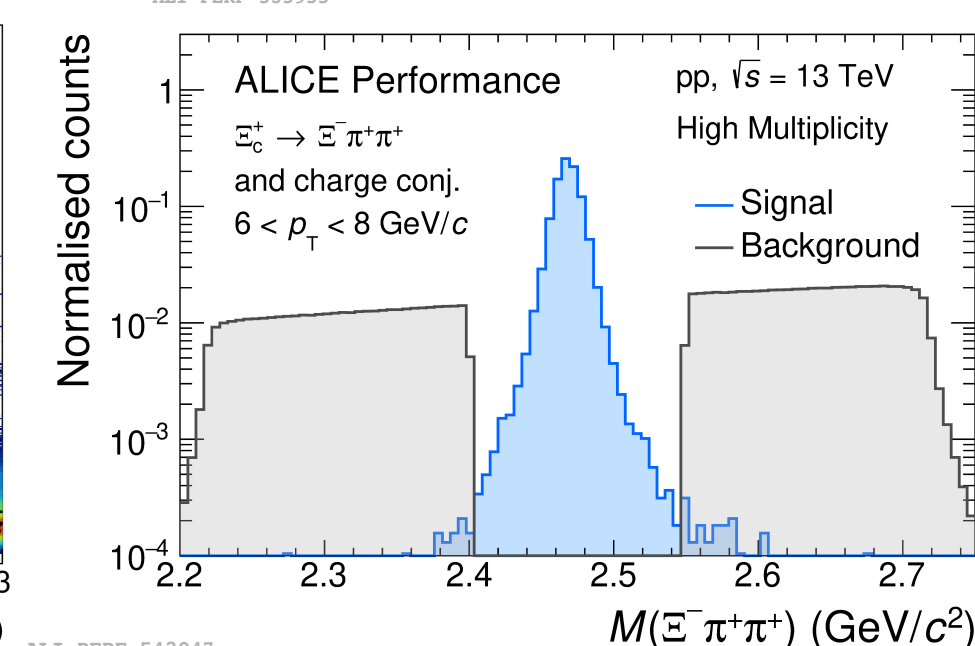
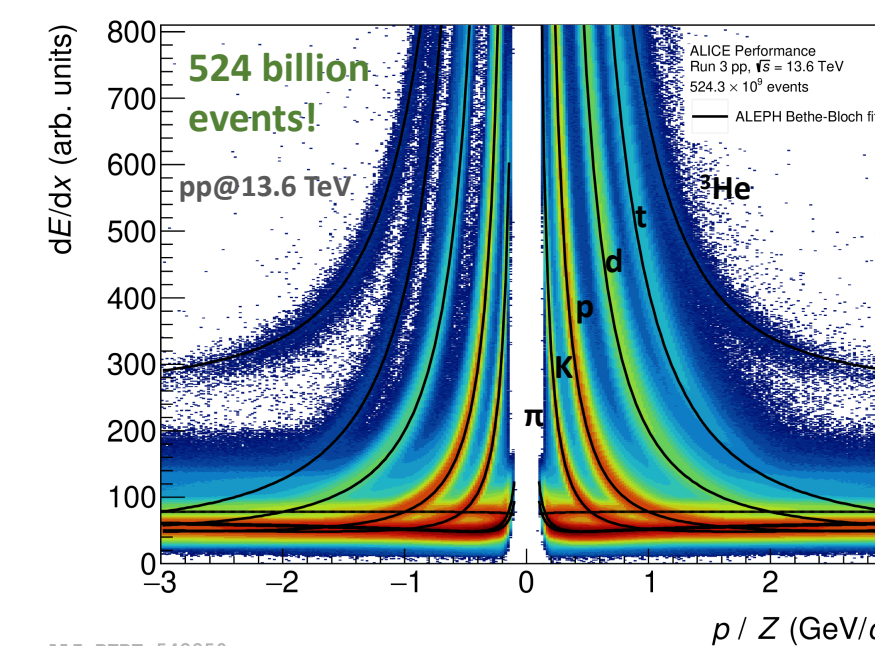
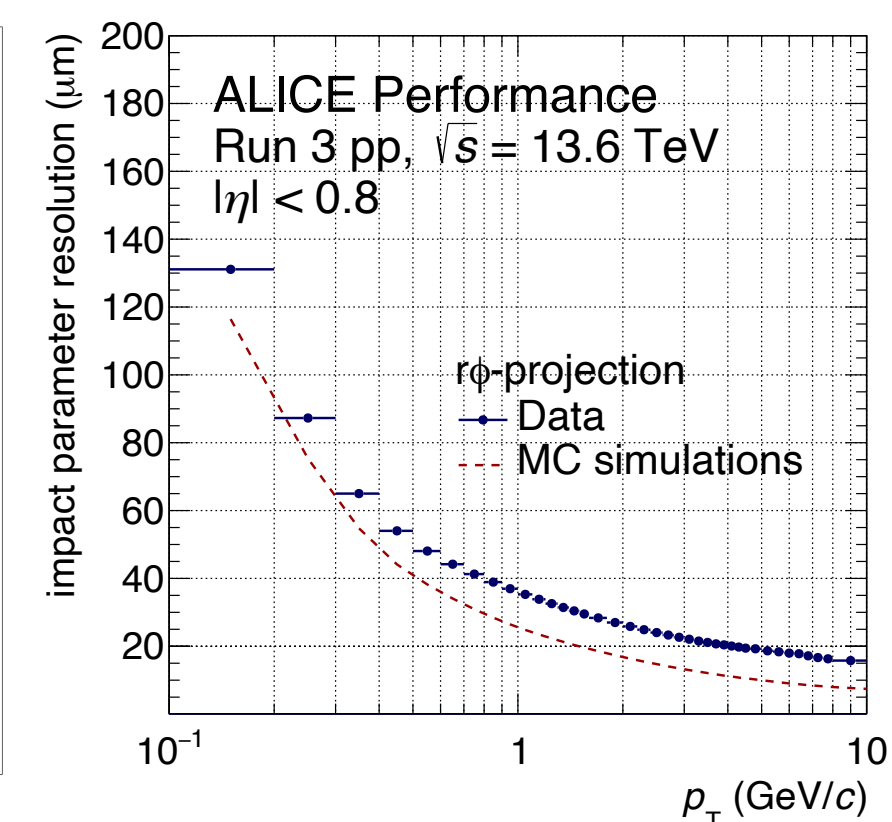
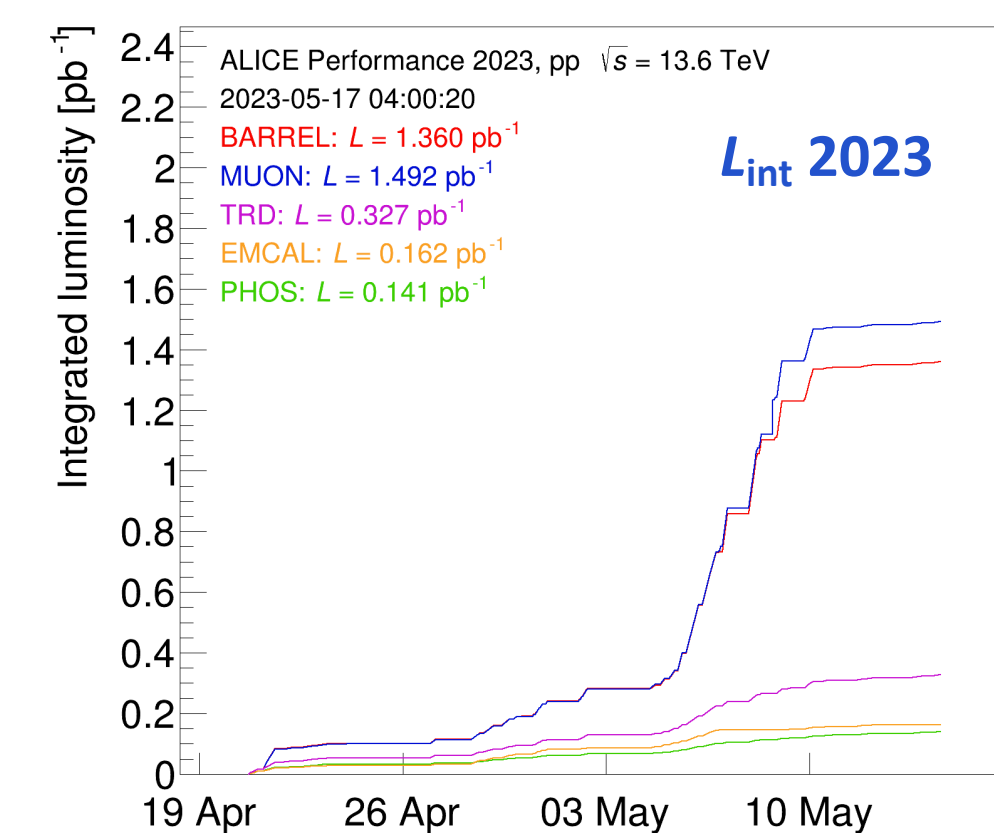
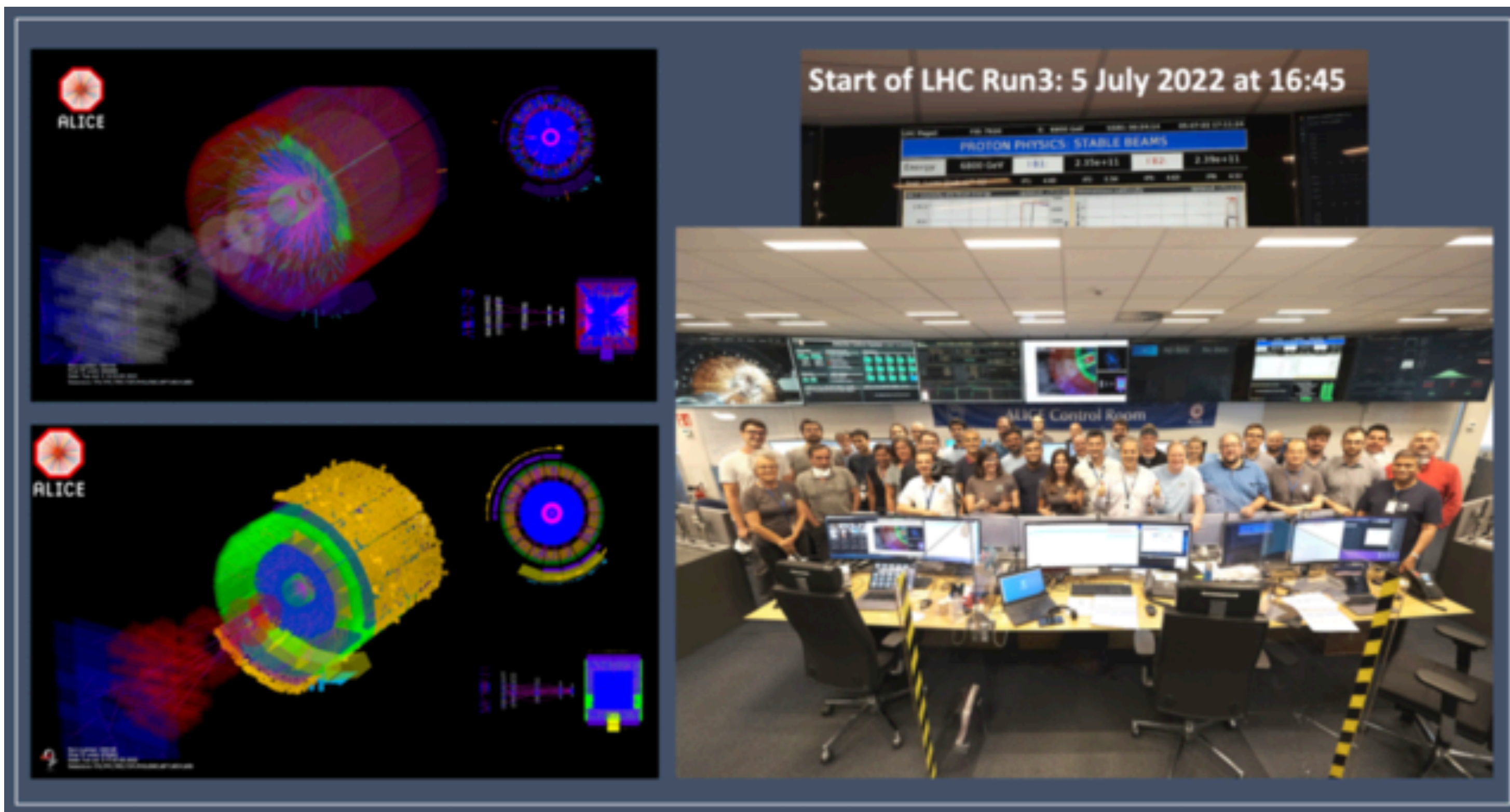


The 3rd generation inner tracking system (ITS3)



ALICE Run3 data taking

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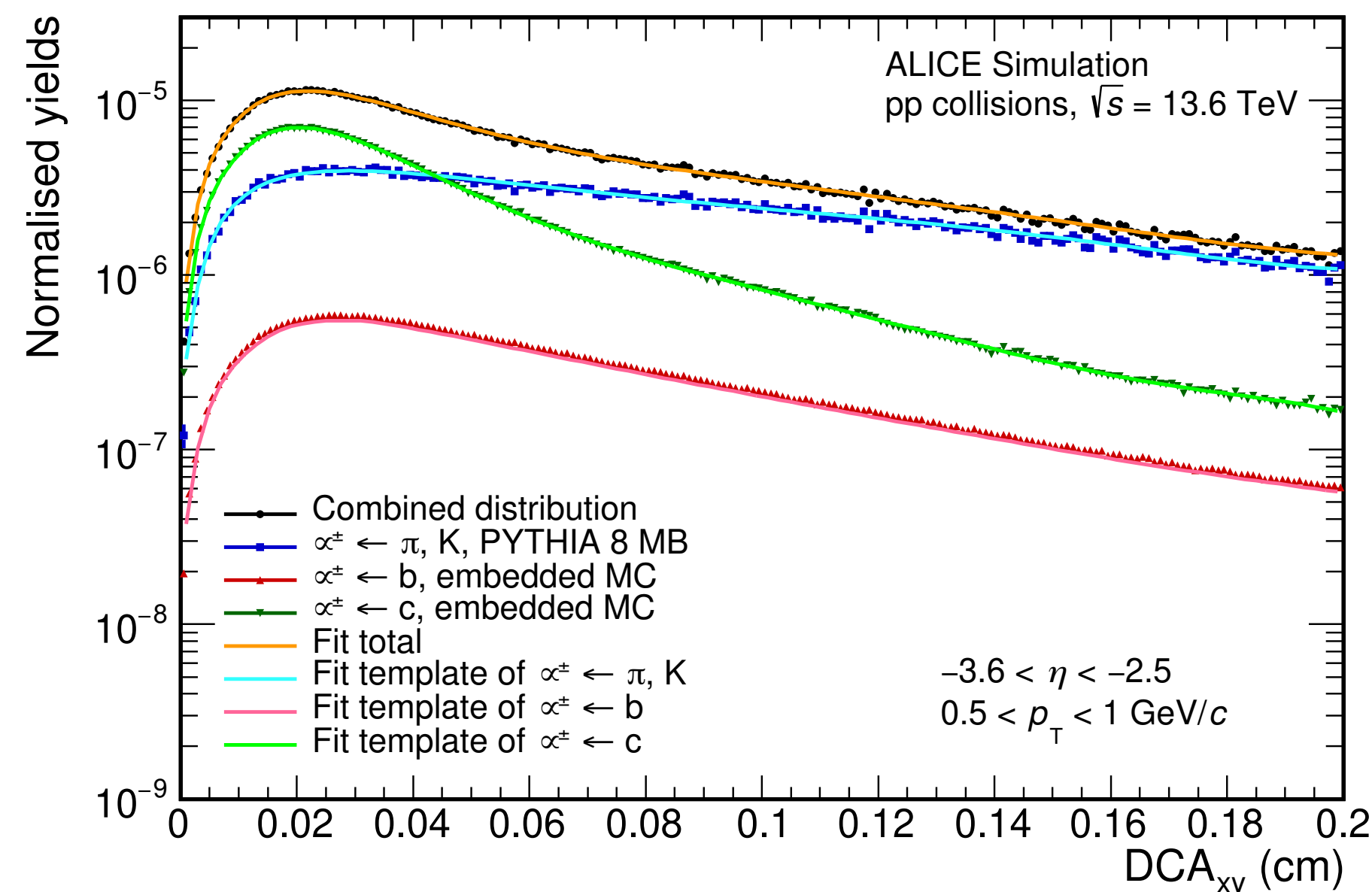


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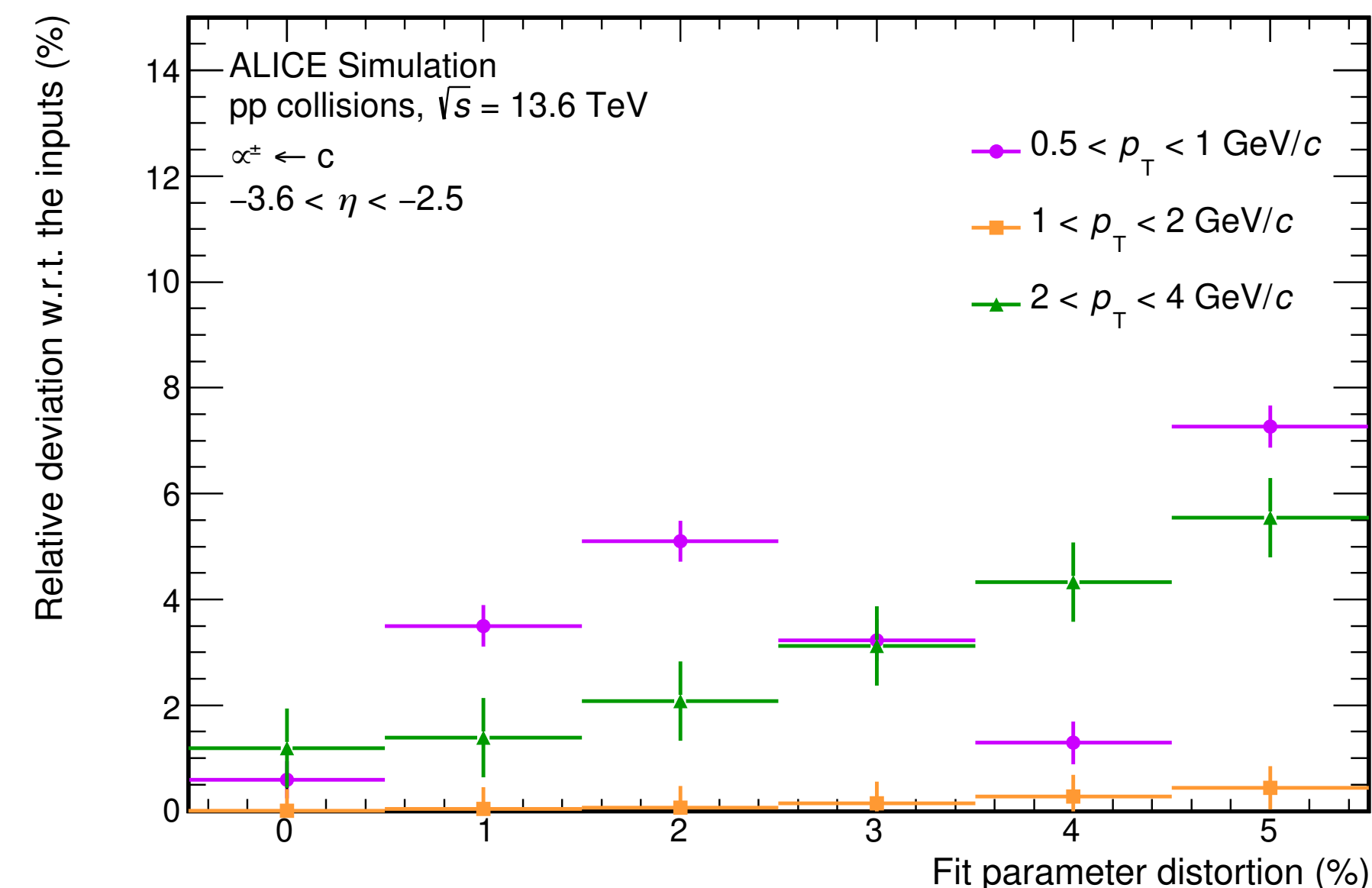
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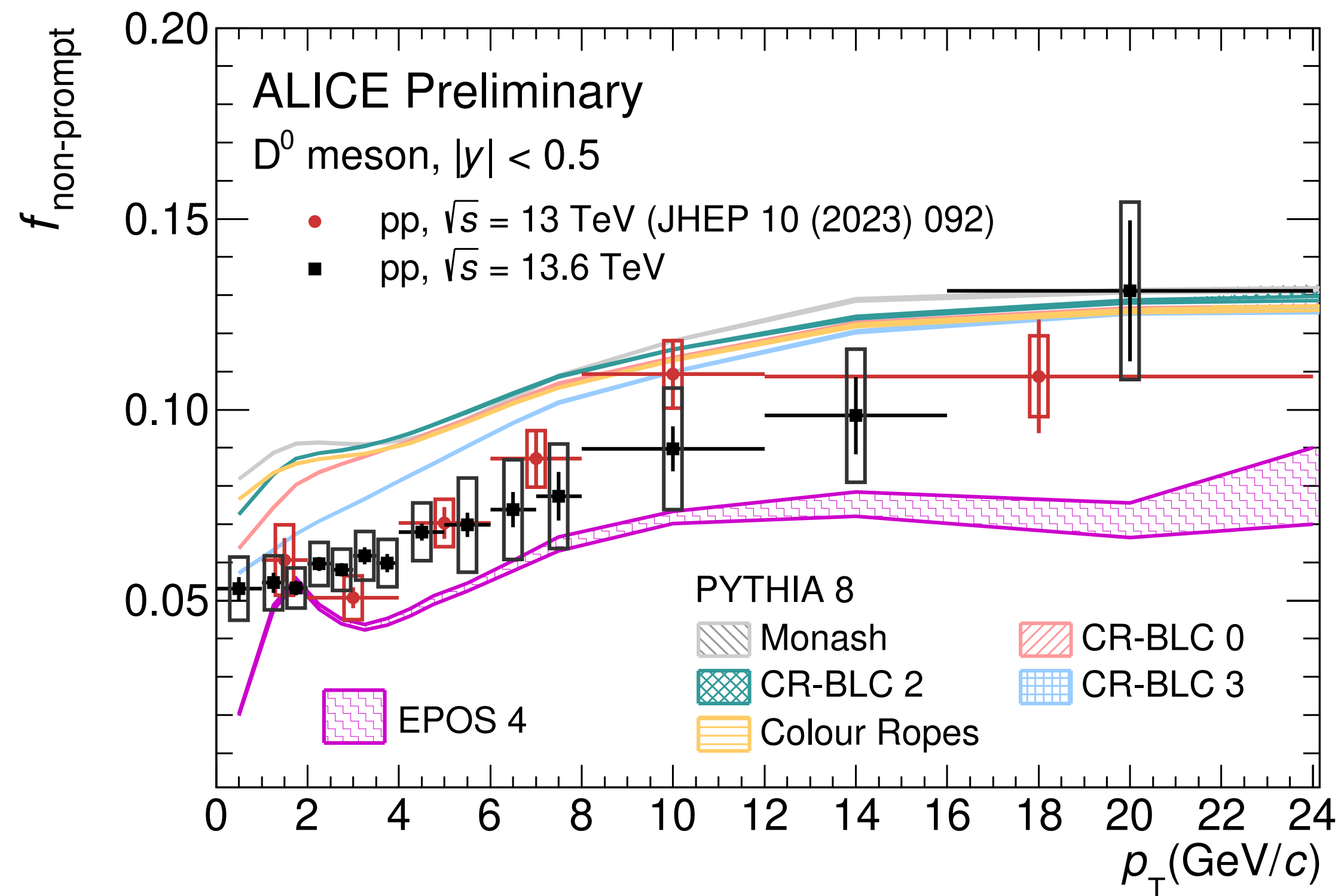


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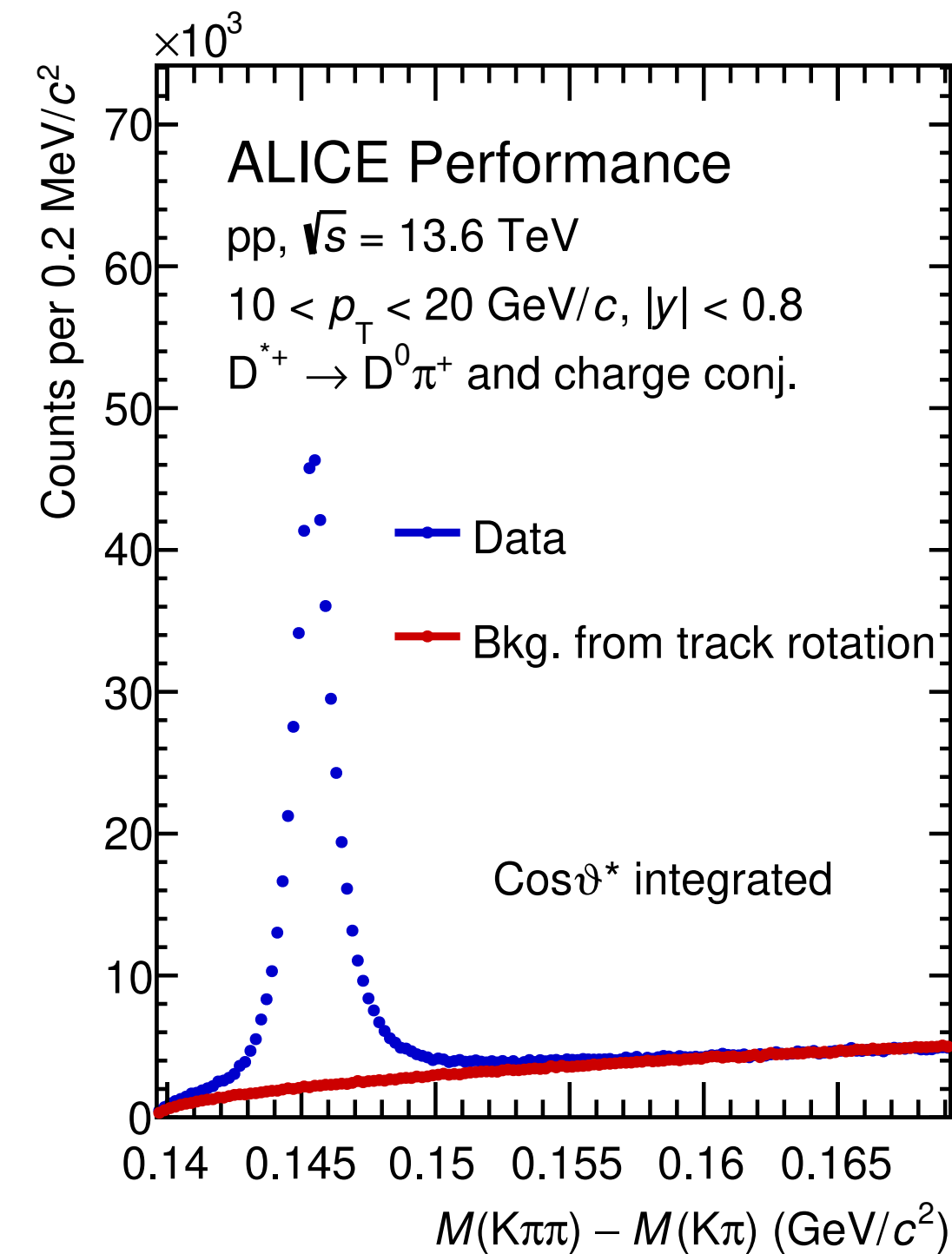


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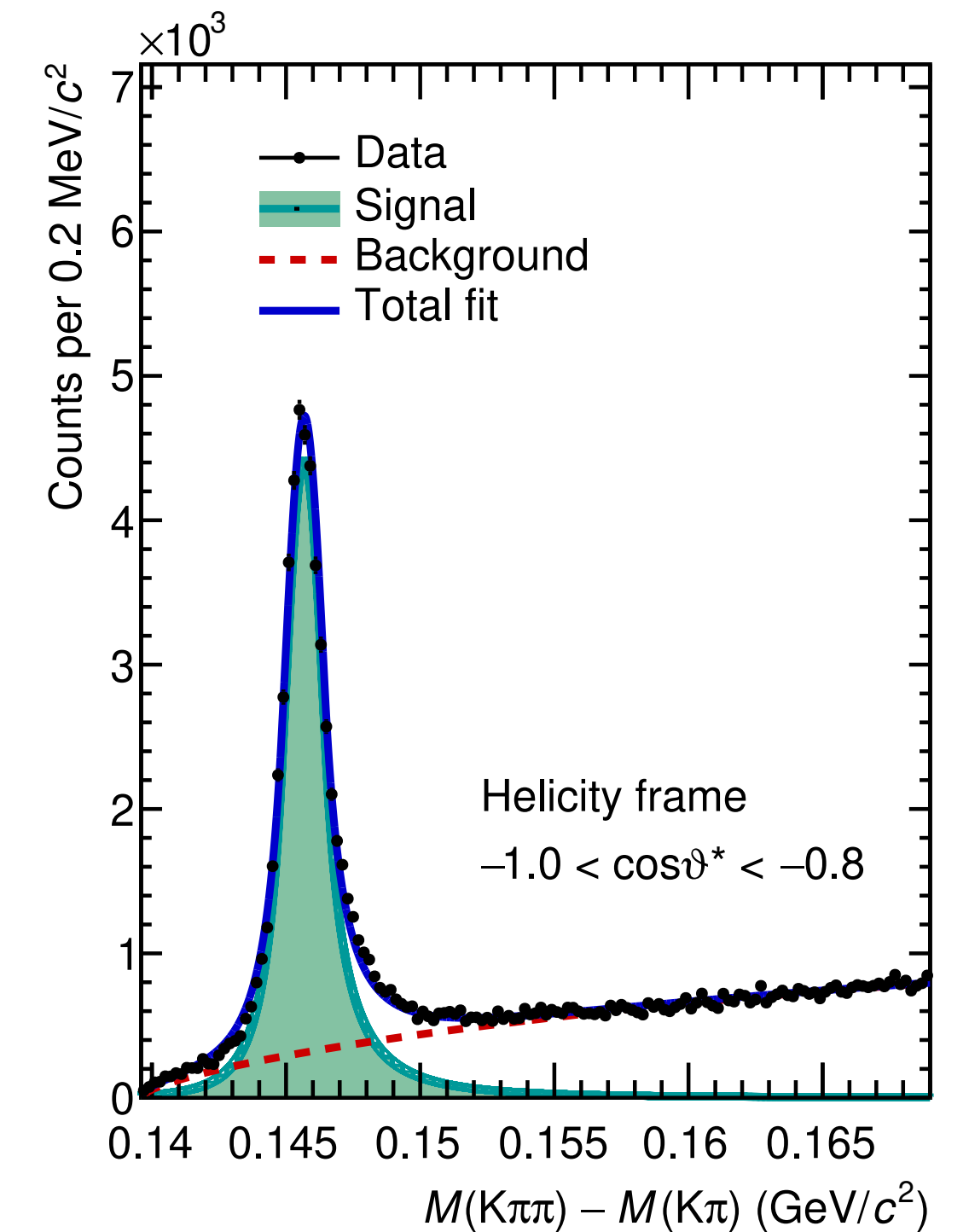
- Different muon sources are well identified based on the displacement from the primary vertex
- Apply fit to the total displacement distribution with distortions up to a given % for each source
- Good compatibility to separation charm and beauty hadron decay muons down to low p_T



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- Measurements are extended to lower p_T and more granular w. r. t. run 2
 ➔ Stronger constraints on the modelling of charm-quark hadronization

Next-generation experiment

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Letter of intent

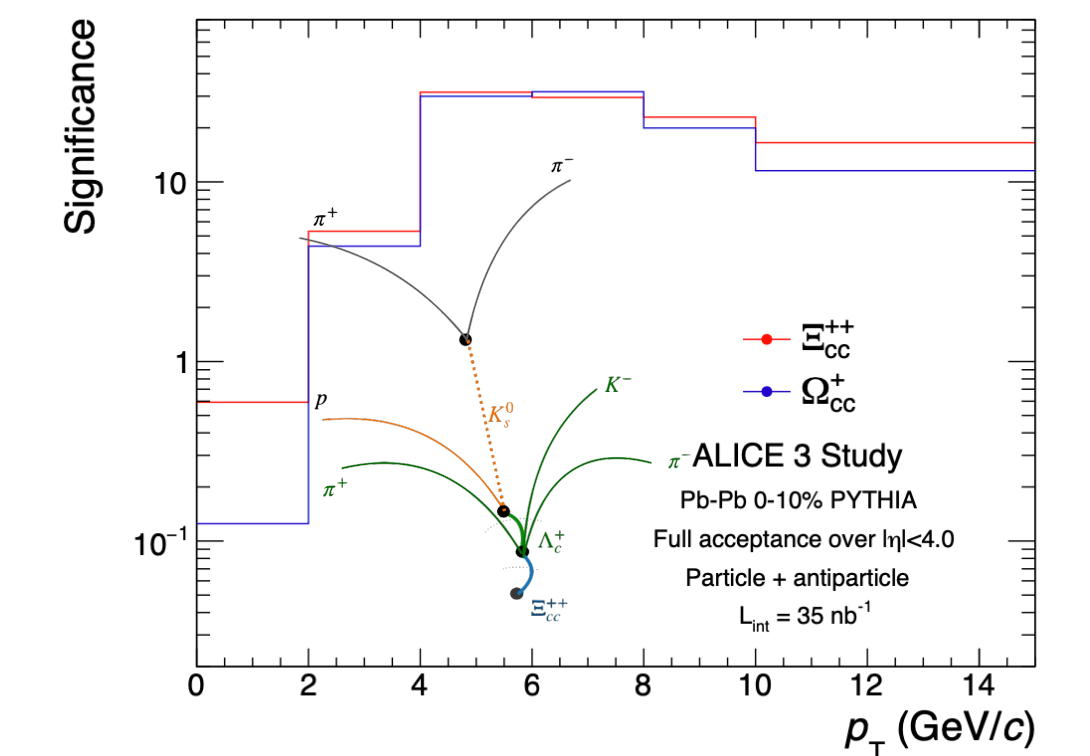
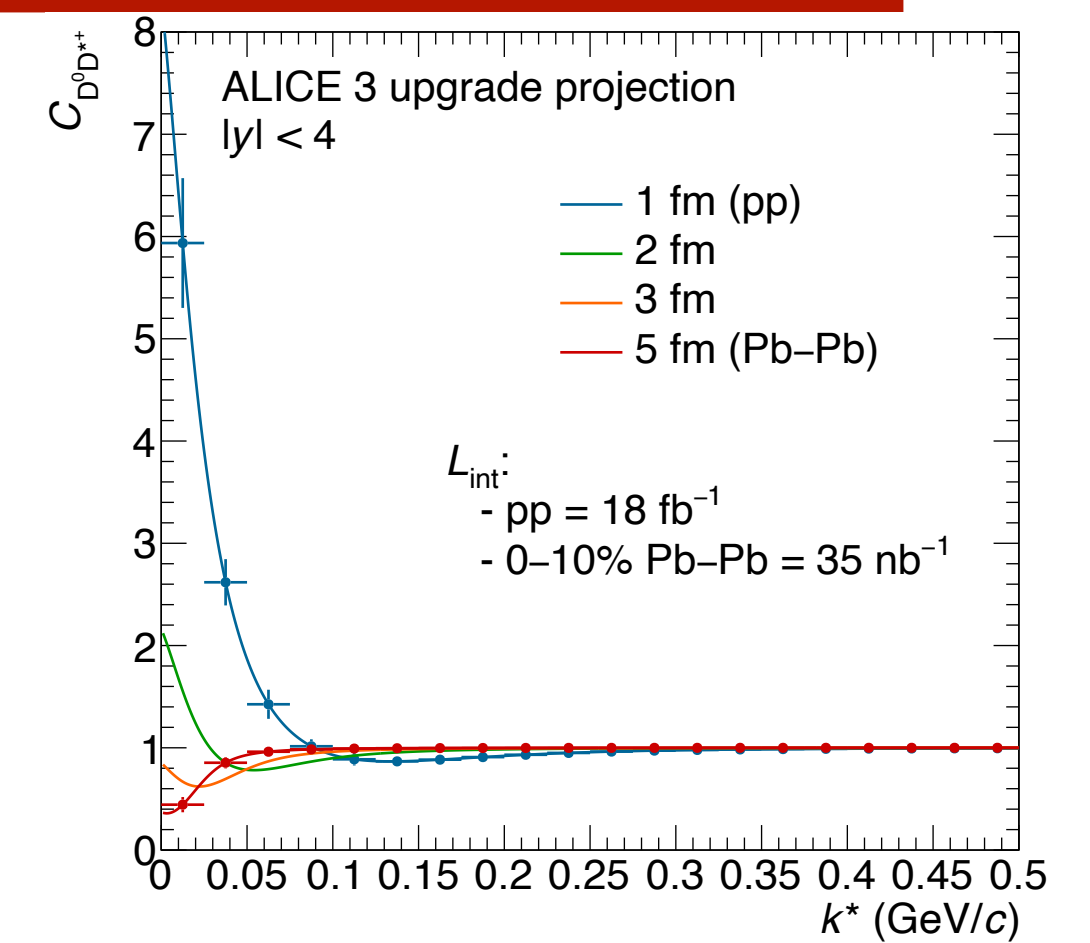
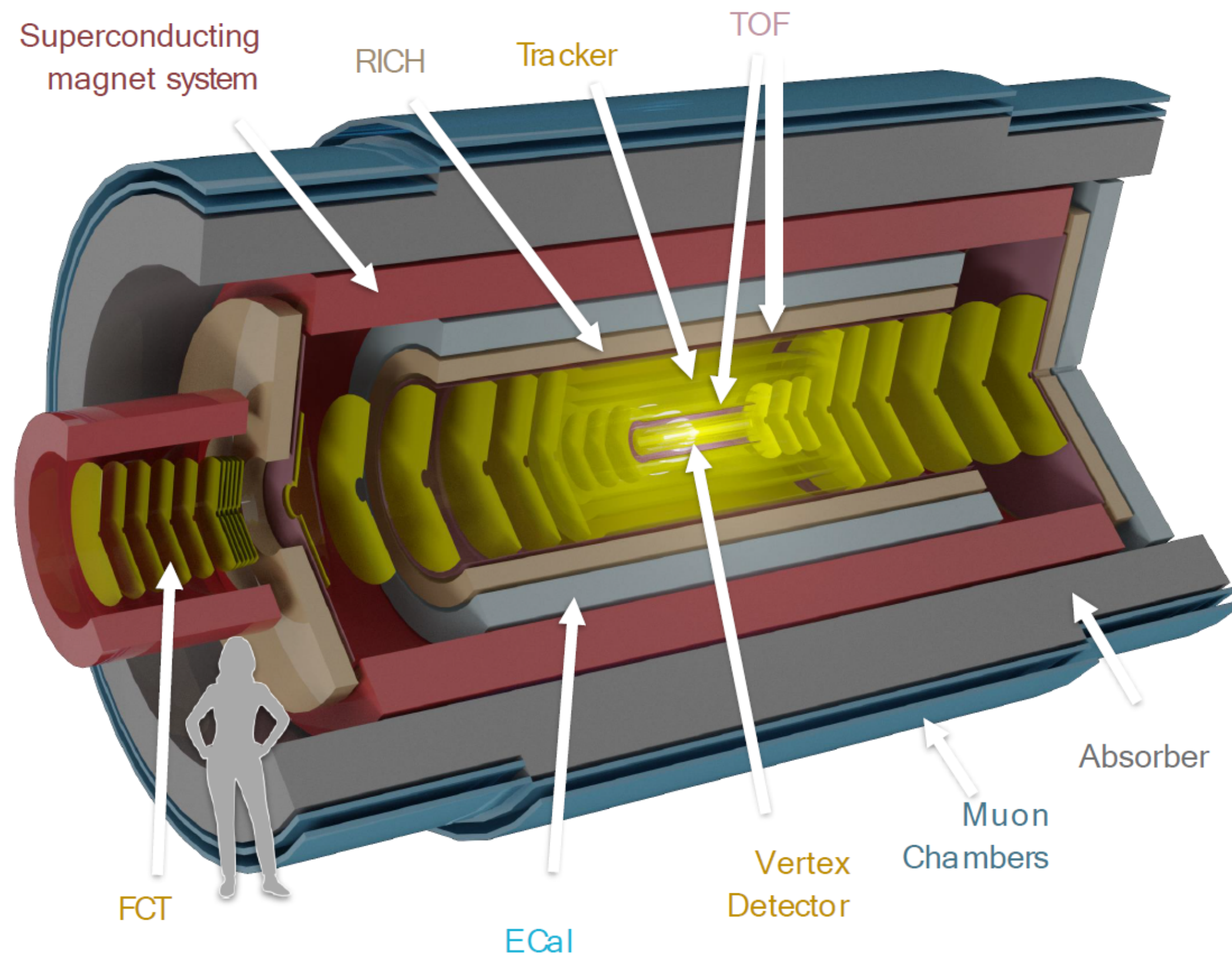
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A next-generation heavy-ion experiment at the LHC

VERSION 2



Next-generation experiment



ALICE @ FCPPN/L should keep much strengthening and closer cooperation for ALICE 3 and even beyond with common interest in next-generation detector upgrade projects and exciting physics exploration

