

# PHENIX highlights: Recent results from PHENIX

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# THE PHENIX EXPERIMENT

- Data with 9 collision species and 9 collision energies have been obtained
- Data taking is completed in 2016
- Collaboration is actively working for data analysis \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{S_{NN}}$ [GeV]	••		Au			Cu <sup>Cu</sup>	CAU	Au	00
510									
200	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$
130								$\checkmark$	
62.4	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
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27								$\checkmark$	
20				$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
14.5								$\checkmark$	
7.7								$\checkmark$	



## PHENIX results are in HEPData!!

- 212 papers are in the database and ready to use!



In this talk

# Recent publications from **PHENIX**

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# (1)Heavy flavor at mid and forward rapidity

Details will be discussed at

L.Bichon III's Talk (Track2-HF) on 6/5 (Wed)

Heavy flavor (c, b)



PHENIX, PRC 109, 044907 (2024)



• c hadron and b hadron  $p_T$  spectra in Au+Au are measured in MB, 0-10, 10-20, 20-40, 40-60% compared with p+p scaled by  $T_{AA}$ 

PHENIX, PRC 109, 044907 (2024)

### Centrality dependence of $R_{AA}(b \rightarrow e) \& R_{AA}(c \rightarrow e)$



- In 0-10%, bottom and charm suppression are clearly seen while in 40-60%, bottom and charm are similar and less suppressed
- Centrality dependence is clearly seen

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HF  $v_2$  in Au+Au



- HF v<sub>2</sub> is positive both at forward and mid rapidity and mostly consistent
- Hadron  $v_2 > HF v_2$  and  $v_{2c} > v_{2b}$ ,
- Heavier quarks has less flow as expected

## Forward J/ $\psi$ v\_2 compared with LHC



#### L.Bichon III's Talk (Track2-HF) on Wed

PHENIX, PRC 84, 054912 (2011)



- Forward J/ $\psi$  v<sub>2</sub> at RHIC is consistent with zero, while it's non-zero at LHC energy
- -> Consistent to the regeneration scenario of charm and anti-charm at LHC energy

# (2)Direct photon with large statistics



- External conversion method and large statistics give precise measurement for wider  $p_T$  ranges for all centrality bins
  - The scaling of yields holds for various large systems

## Direct photon enhancement with system size



- Larger system has more enhancement at low  $p_{T}$  compared with N<sub>coll</sub> scaled pp  $\rightarrow$  seems to relate to QGP size?
- Yield enhancement at low  $p_T$  and large  $v_2$  at high  $p_T$ •  $\rightarrow$  might be due to hadronization photons ??



# $T_{eff}$ of non-prompt photons



 $T_{eff}$  of non-prompt photons has  $p_T$  dependence but no-clear multiplicity dependence

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# (3)PID Charged hadron measurement at various collision systems

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R.Nouicer's Talk (Track1-LF) on 6/4 (Tue)

#### R.Nouicer's Talk (Track1-LF) on Tue

## PID Charged hadrons

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The systematic study of various collision systems are preformed

# $R_{AB}\xspace$ in Large systems

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R<sub>AA</sub> in large system depends on collision overlap size (N<sub>part</sub>) but not collision systems

 $R_{AB}$  in small systems

#### R.Nouicer's Talk (Track1-LF) on Tue

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- Small system also has dependence of the collision overlap size (N<sub>part</sub>)
- Proton  $R_{AB}$  at high  $p_T$  is not ordering of  $N_{part}$ 
  - d+Au is imbalanced most

 $\gamma^{\rm dir}$  and  $\pi^0$  spectra in d+Au





Since  $\gamma^{dir}$  is not suppressed, N<sub>coll</sub> can be redefined by  $\gamma^{dir}$  ratio of d+Au to pp experimentally

$$N_{\rm coll}^{\rm EXP}(p_T) = \frac{Y_{d\rm Au}^{\gamma^{dir}}(p_T)}{Y_{pp}^{\gamma^{\rm dir}}(p_T)}$$

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Redefined  $R_{dAu}$  with experimental  $N_{coll}$ 

PHENIX, arXiv:2303.12899





Clear suppression can be seen at central in d+Au while it's consistent to 1 at peripheral

# Summary

- Heavy flavor
  - c/b separated HF  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  are successfully measured at various centrality bins and clear mass dependence can be seen at central.
  - Measurement of the forward J/ $\psi$  v<sub>2</sub> are also performed and it's consistent to zero unlike LHC result.
- Direct photons
  - External conversion method and large statistics give precise measurement for wide  $p_T$  ranges and all centrality bins, and the scaling of yields holds for various large systems.
  - Non-prompt direct photon are extracted and show the  $T_{eff}$  has the dependences of the  $p_T$
- Charged hadrons
  - PHENIX measured charged hadron production at small to large various collision systems and found mostly  $R_{AA}$  only depends on overlap volume( $N_{part}$ ).
  - Experimental  $N_{coll}$  gives non-GL biased  $R_{dAu,}$  and  $\,$  indicates the clear yield suppression at central.

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#### PHENIX is active. New results are coming. Stay tune!

L.Bichon III's Talk (Track2-HF) on 6/5 (Wed)

R.Nouicer's Talk (Track1-LF) on 6/4 (Tue)

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# Additional materials (Back Up)

## Why heavy flavor, bottom & charm ?

- Mainly created at early stage of the collision
  - Production can be calculated by pQCD
- Passing through QGP

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\frac{Mc \sim 1.3 \text{GeV}}{Mb \sim 4.5 \text{GeV}} \xrightarrow{T_{QGP} \sim 400 \text{MeV}} \Lambda_{QCD} \sim 200 \text{MeV}
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- Suffer energy loss and flow effects –  $p_T$  and angular distributions can be modified in QGP



### Modification of Heavy flavor is good tool to study property of QGP

 $R_{AA}(b \rightarrow e) \& R_{AA}(c \rightarrow e) \text{ in } Au + Au 200 GeV$ 



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- Nuclear modification factor R<sub>AA</sub>
  - Broad  $p_T$  range : 1 8 GeV/c
  - Small uncertainty with new p+p baseline

- Mid  $p_T : R_{AA}(b -> e) > R_{AA}(c -> e)$
- High  $p_T$ :  $R_{AA}(b\rightarrow e) \sim R_{AA}(c\rightarrow e) < 1$
- Bottom suppression is different from charm
  - Clear p<sub>T</sub> dependence

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Charm and Bottom R<sub>AA</sub> vs N<sub>part</sub>



Clear centrality and  $p_T$  dependence are observed



(1)Rachid Nouicer Jun 4 11:00AM Track1-LF

Scaling Properties of  $\phi$ -Meson and Light Charged Hadron Production in Small and Large Systems at PHENIX

(2)Luis Bichon III Jun 5 9:30 AM Track2-HF

Forward rapidity elliptic flow measurements in PHENIX Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV

## Time evolution

The matter produced in the high energy heavy ion collision is expected to undergo several stages from the initial hard scattering to the final hadron emission.



# Need a comprehensive understanding from initial hard scattering to final freeze out.

# $R_{AA}(b \rightarrow e) \& R_{AA}(c \rightarrow e)$ comparison with STAR 0-80%

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 PHENIX MB and STAR 0-80% are in good agreement within uncertainties

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# **Comparison with Models**

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- Compared with 3 models
  - DGLV (Phys. Rev. C 90 034910)
    - E-loss + plasma w/ static potentials
  - SUBATECH (Phys. Rev. C 78 014904)
    - : E-loss + running coupling
  - T-Matrix + diffusion (2πTD=4) (Phys. Rev. Lett. 100 192301)
    - Strongly coupled QGP
- Models qualitatively consistent with data
  - Mass dependent energy loss agree with the mass dependent suppression
  - Bottom models underestimates the data
  - Charm models slightly higher than data

## $v_2^{c}(c \rightarrow e)$ and $v_2^{b}(b \rightarrow e)$ in Au+Au 200GeV

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- c  $\rightarrow$  e v<sub>2</sub> is positive with ~3.5 sigma
- A hint of positive  $b \rightarrow e \; v_2$  with 1.1 sigma

• Final  $v_2$  result with improved yield unfolding coming soon

## Rγ of direct photons

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![](_page_31_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_32_Figure_0.jpeg)

# Small system RAA before.

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 $R_{AA}(pt) = \frac{\frac{dN_{AA}}{dp_T}}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle \frac{dN_{pp}}{dp_T}}$ 

The enhancement in peripheral collisions has no clear explanation. Is the centrality dependence real ? <Ncoll> in GM has bias.

arXiv:2404.17660 is Denis's paper which indicates that initial fluctuation also could give the suppression of  $\pi^0$  in d + Au