

QGP Strategy
Krakow Meeting Sept. 2012

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## Outlook



- Positioning of IRFU in the QGP
- ALICE roadmap
- The European Startegy Group (ESG)
- Heavy Ion Strategy
  - ▶ In France
  - ▶ In ALICE
  - ▶ In the QGP community

# Physics topics at Saclay



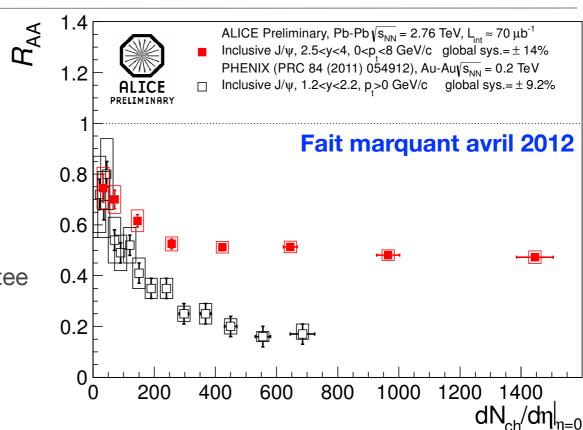
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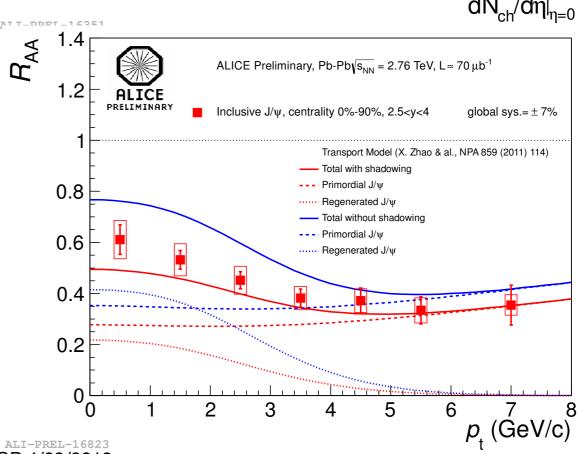
## Quarkonia study

- ▶ R<sub>AA</sub>: The J/Psi nuclear modification factor
- J/Psi less supressed at LHC wrt RHIC
- Saclay in Paper Committee / Internal Rev. Committee

## Evidence for a new process

- Theoretical calculations under way
- Not only color screening (Matsui & Satz)
- ▶ Recombinaison at low p<sub>T</sub> (ALICE unique at LHC)





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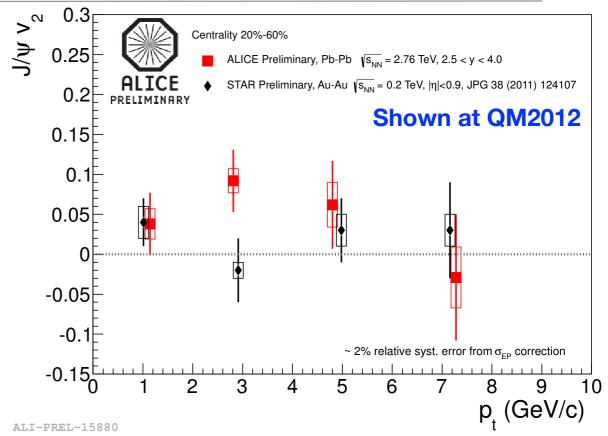


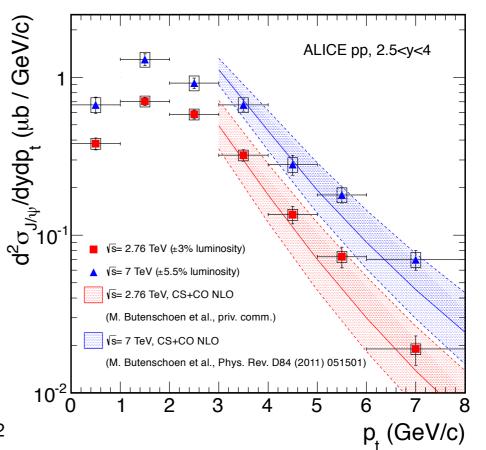
### J/Psi flow

- Recombinaison => flow ≠ 0
- Postdoc Hongyan Yang

## Needs for pp data for the J/Psi

- Understand the production process (polarization, ...)
- ▶ Reference for the Pb-Pb RAA
- Claudio Geuna thesis





# Saclay responsabilities in ALICE



### Hardware

Design, construction, commissioning of large MUON Arm Tracking Chambers

#### Software

▶ Responsible of the MUON Tracking Alignment & Calibration

### Analysis

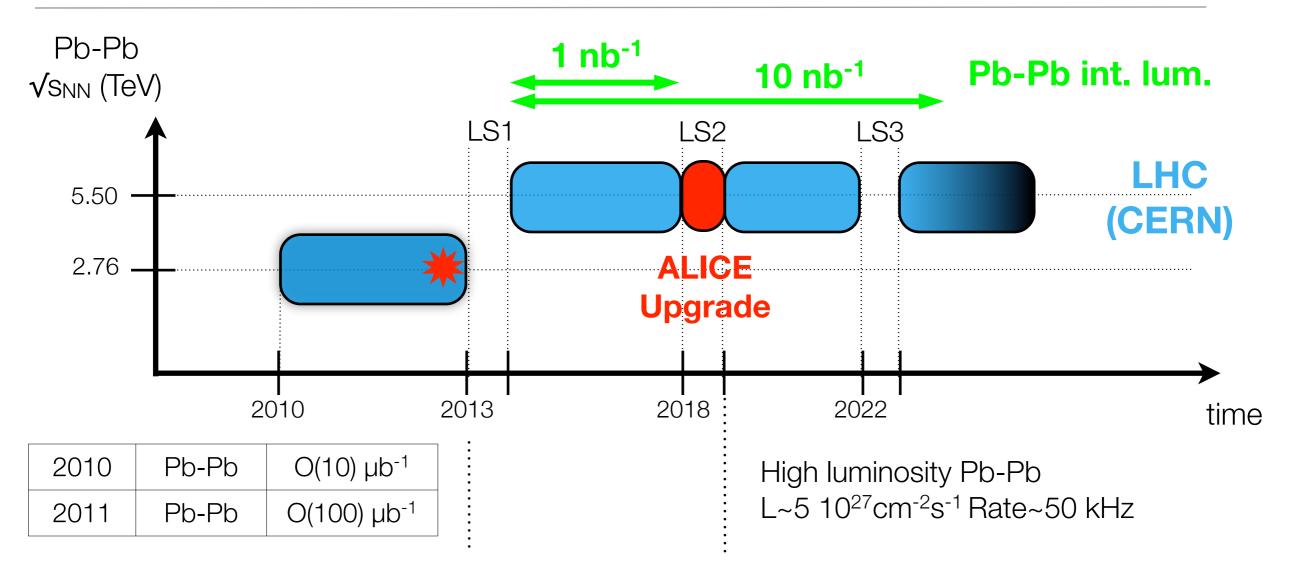
Physics group: «Upsilon»

## Management

- MUON Arm Project Leader
- MUON Tracking coordinator

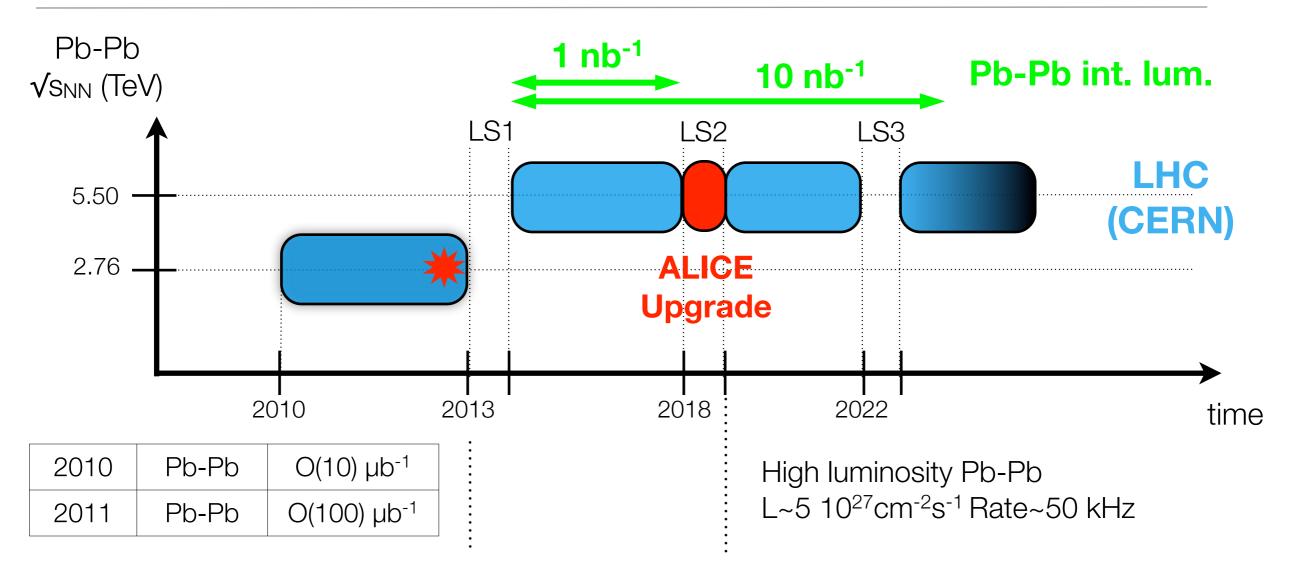
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- ALICE Lol to LHCC (Sept 2012): new ITS, TPC, TRD, Muon Arm, ...
- Lol addendum (beg. 2013): FOCAL, VHMPID, Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)
- MFT: Increase capabilities of the MUON Arm
  - Open charm and open beauty, B->J/Psi, low mass, ...

# European Strategy Group



- Working group: European Strategy Group (ESG)
- Nominated by CERN Council
- Important mission of CERN Council: Particle Physics Strategy
- Update of mid and long term strategy
- ESG mandate: Make a proposition to the CERN Council
- ESG composition
  - Member States: France (E. Augé), ...
  - Major European National Labs: IRFU (P. Chomaz), LAL (A. Stocchi), ...
  - ▶ Invited: Associate and observer states, ApPEC, NuPECC, ...

# Timeline for Update the European Strategy



- Open Workshop: Krakow 10-12 Sept. 2012
  - Submission of documents (by end of July 2012)
- ESG meeting (draft writing): January 2013
- Meeting with the CERN Council: March 2013
- Council session to adopt the strategy: May/June 2013

# Heavy Ion Strategy Organization



### French level: IN2P3/CEA/Université

- Journées Prospectives de Giens April 2-5 2012
- QGP group -> Summary submitted

### ALICE

- Discussions in the collaboration
- Document submitted

## Heavy Ion Community

- ▶ Town meeting Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collisions, June 29 2012 @ CERN
- Conclusions submitted

## French level



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- Priorities of the french community



Our community is currently **strongly involved in the upgrade projects of the ALICE** experiment for the High-Luminosity LHC after 2018.

In addition to **upgrading the current muon spectrometer** setup to benefit from the higher LHC luminosities, the french community is also working on the **MFT project**. The MFT is a high precision tracker consisting of an assembly of several pixel planes between the interaction point and the muon spectrometer front absorber.

5 labs. (including IRFU)

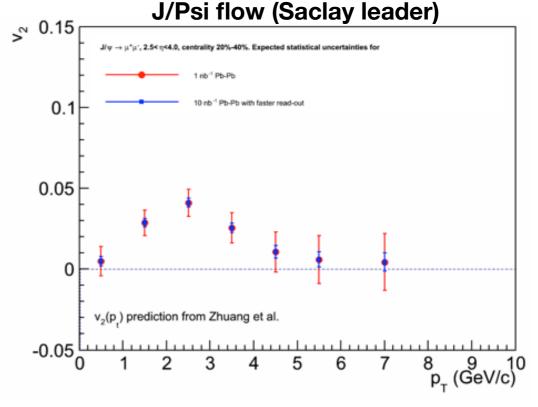
The installation of a new and highly improved **Inner Tracking System (ITS)** will give access to the measurement of charmed baryons and beauty meson.

1 lab.

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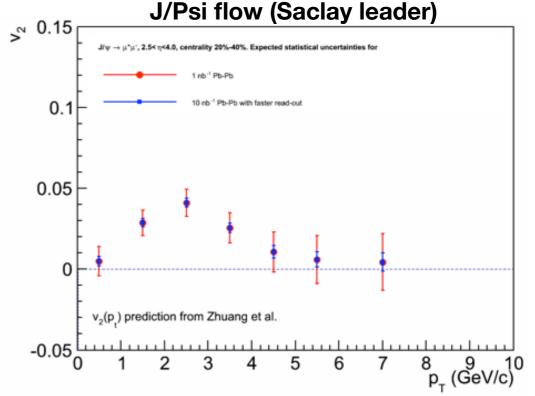
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#### **Conclusion**

The main long-term goal of ALICE is to provide a **precise characterization** of the Quark–Gluon Plasma, the state of deconfined matter produced in high-energy heavy-ion collisions. The timely upgrade of the ALICE detector, and the **LHC** heavy-ion running till mid-2020 to accumulate integrated luminosity with Pb–Pb collisions above **10** nb<sup>-1</sup>, are the necessary conditions to fully exploit the LHC scientific potential in the field of high-temperature QCD

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#### Conclusions sent to ESG

The top priority for future quark matter research in Europe is the full exploitation of the physics potential of colliding heavy ions in the LHC... To fully exploit these scientific opportunities, a timely implementation of the planned upgrades of the LHC accelerator and experiments will be necessary to deliver Pb-Pb collisions in the range of O(10) nb<sup>-1</sup> ... The powerful complementarities of the three LHC experiments, ALICE, ATLAS and CMS,...

The town meeting also observed that the **CERN SPS would be well-positioned** to contribute decisively and at a competitive time scale to central open physics issues **at large baryon density**. In particular, the CERN SPS will remain also in the future the only machine capable of delivering, heavy ion beams with energies exceeding 30 GeV/nucleon, and the potential of **investigating rare penetrating probes at this machine is attractive** 

The **complementarity of LHC and RHIC** is an essential resource in efforts to quantify properties of the Quark-Gluon Plasma.

**Dedicated investments in theoretical research** are needed to fully exploit the opportunities arising from the upcoming precision era of nuclear research at collider and fixed target energies.

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