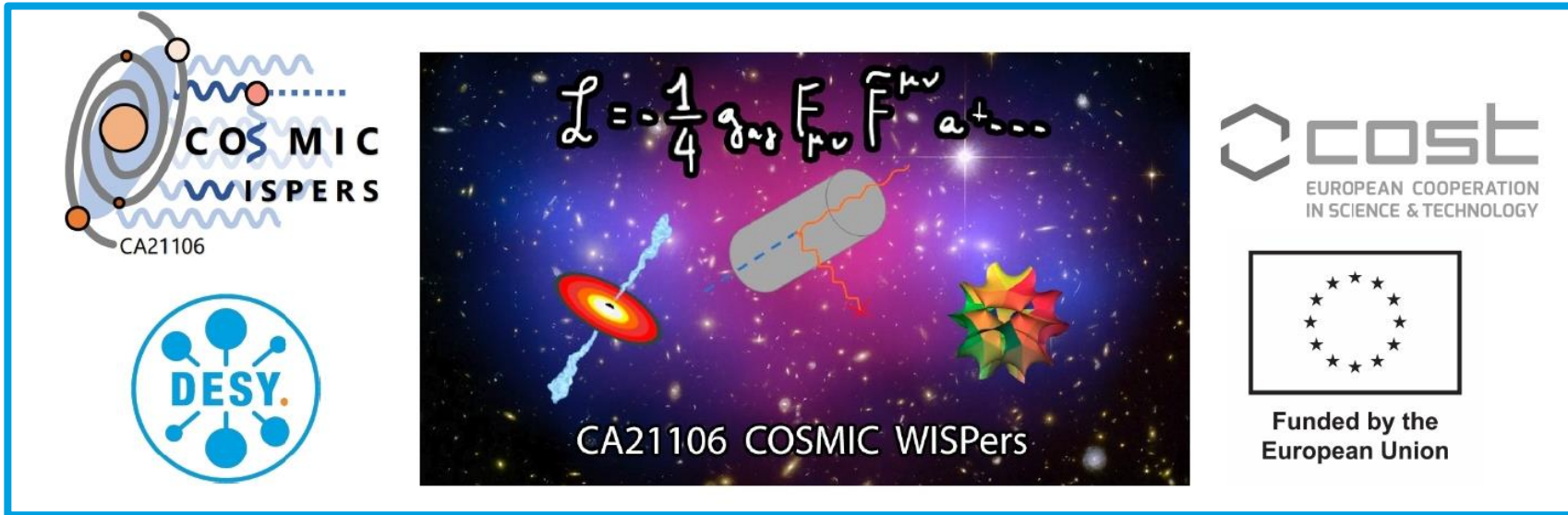


# Eavesdropping @ DESY



2 February 2024

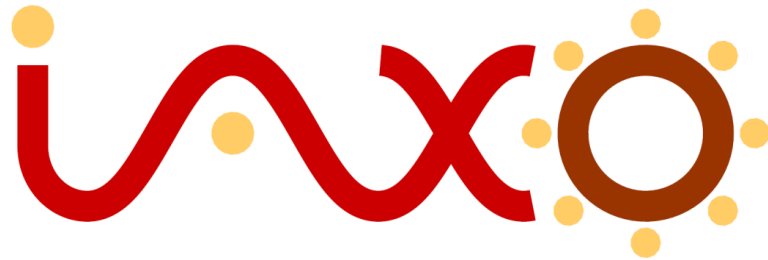
Axel Lindner, DESY

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# ALPS II



## Cryoplatform



ALPS II

Cryoplatform

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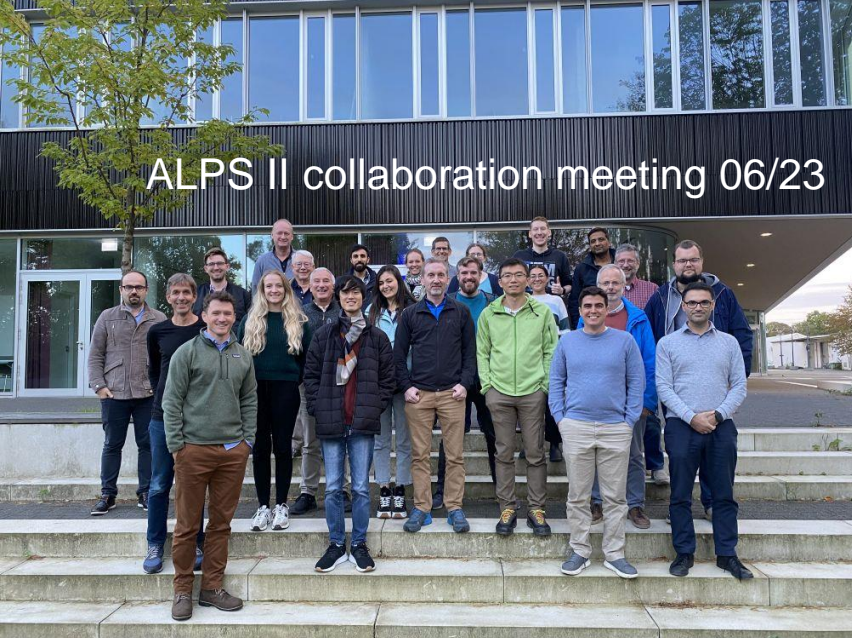
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# ALPS II



**Collaboration members**

# ALPS II

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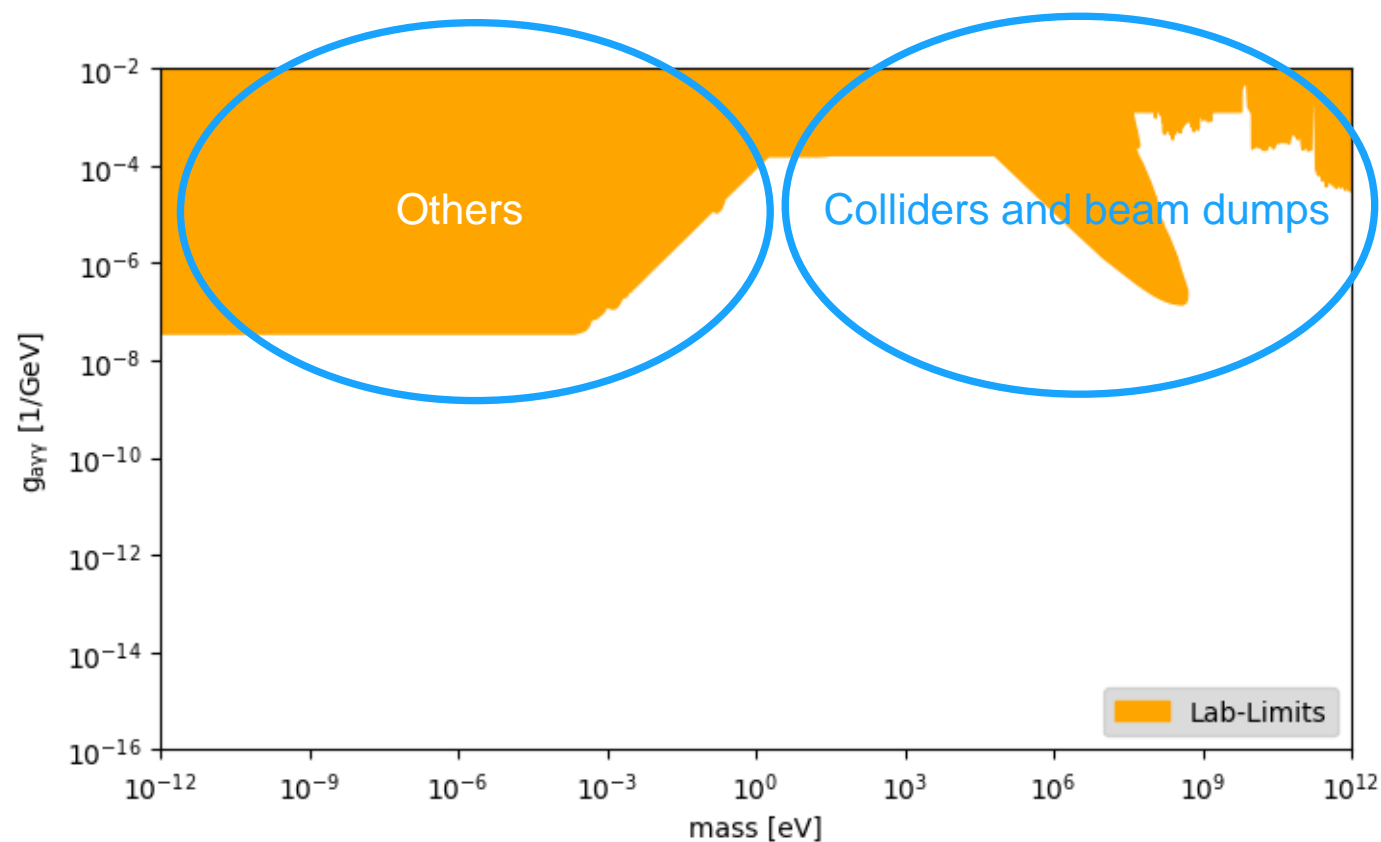


# The axion landscape

## Axion-photon coupling vs. axion mass

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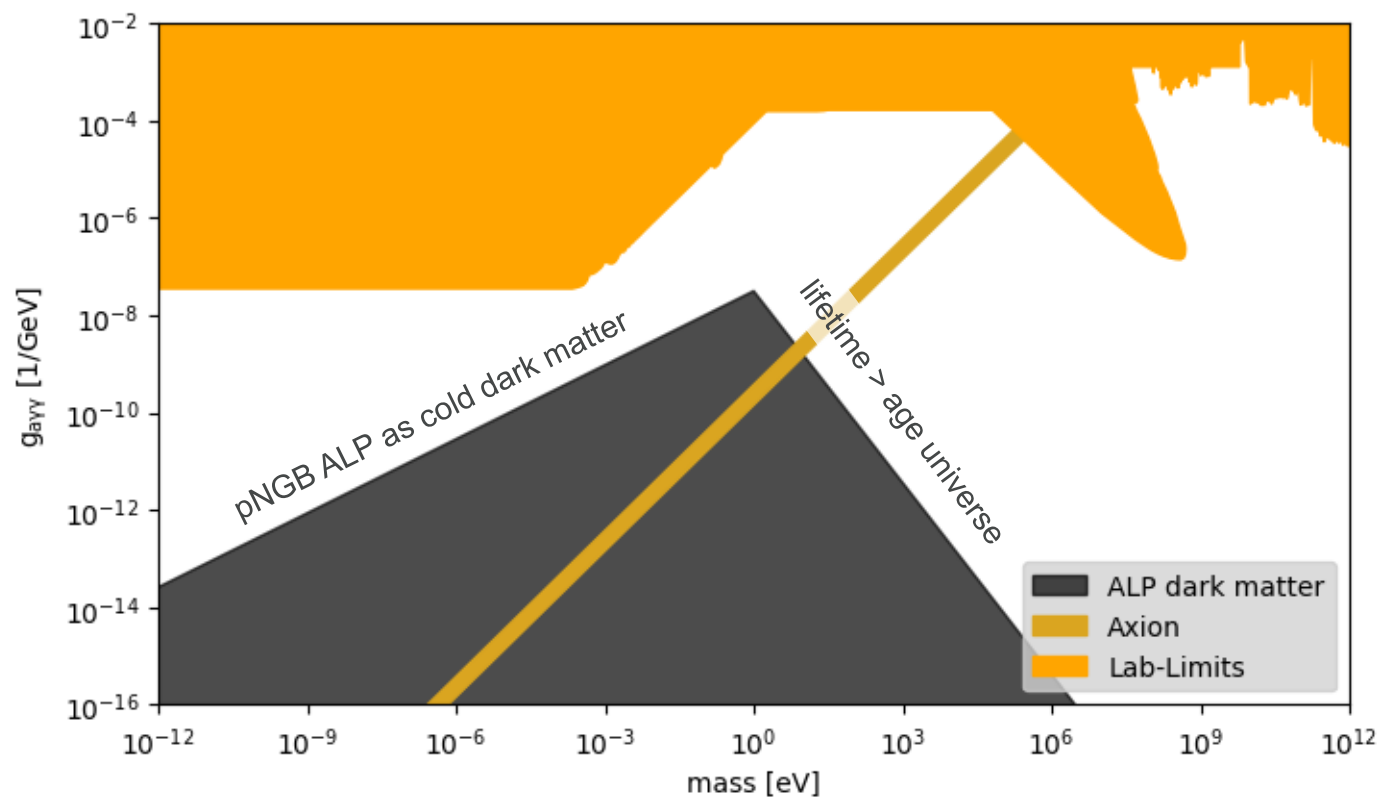


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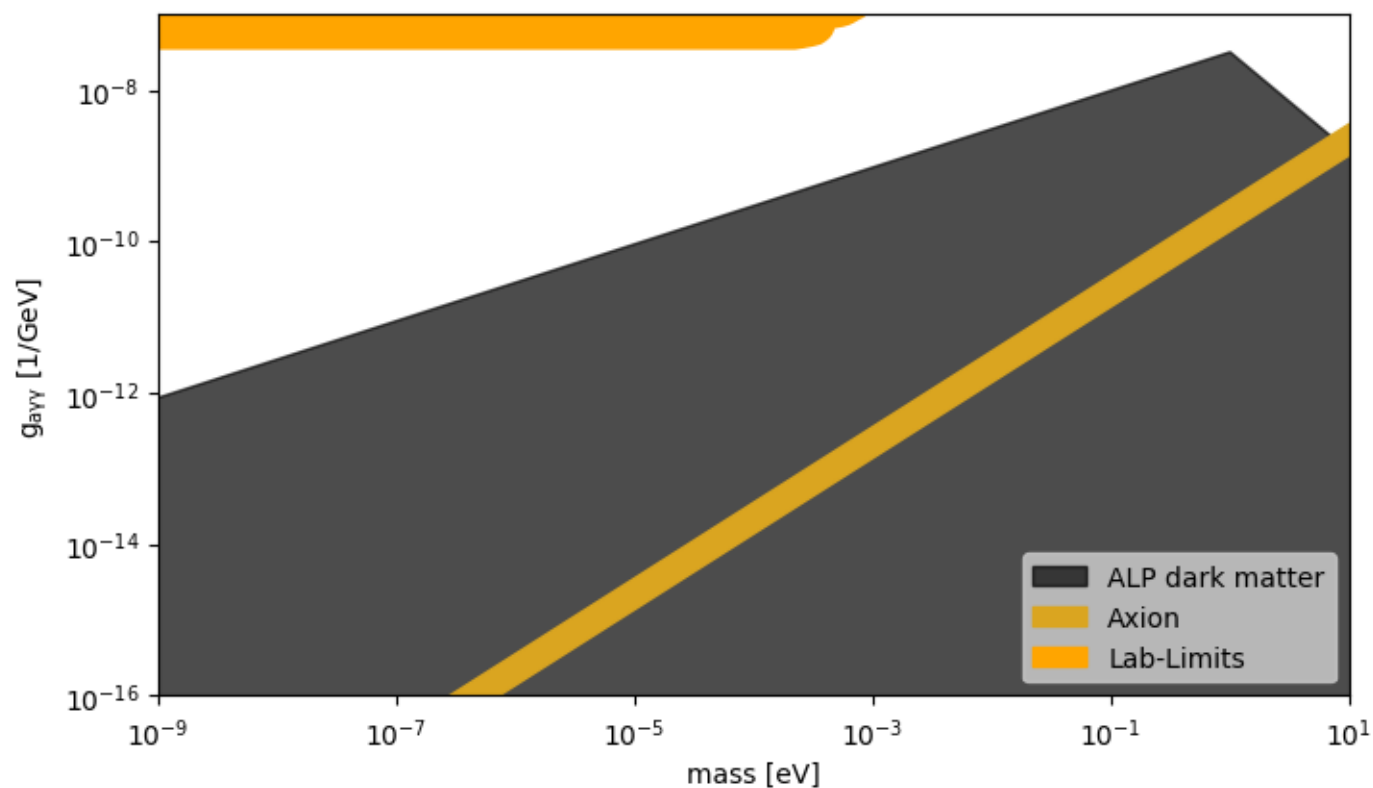
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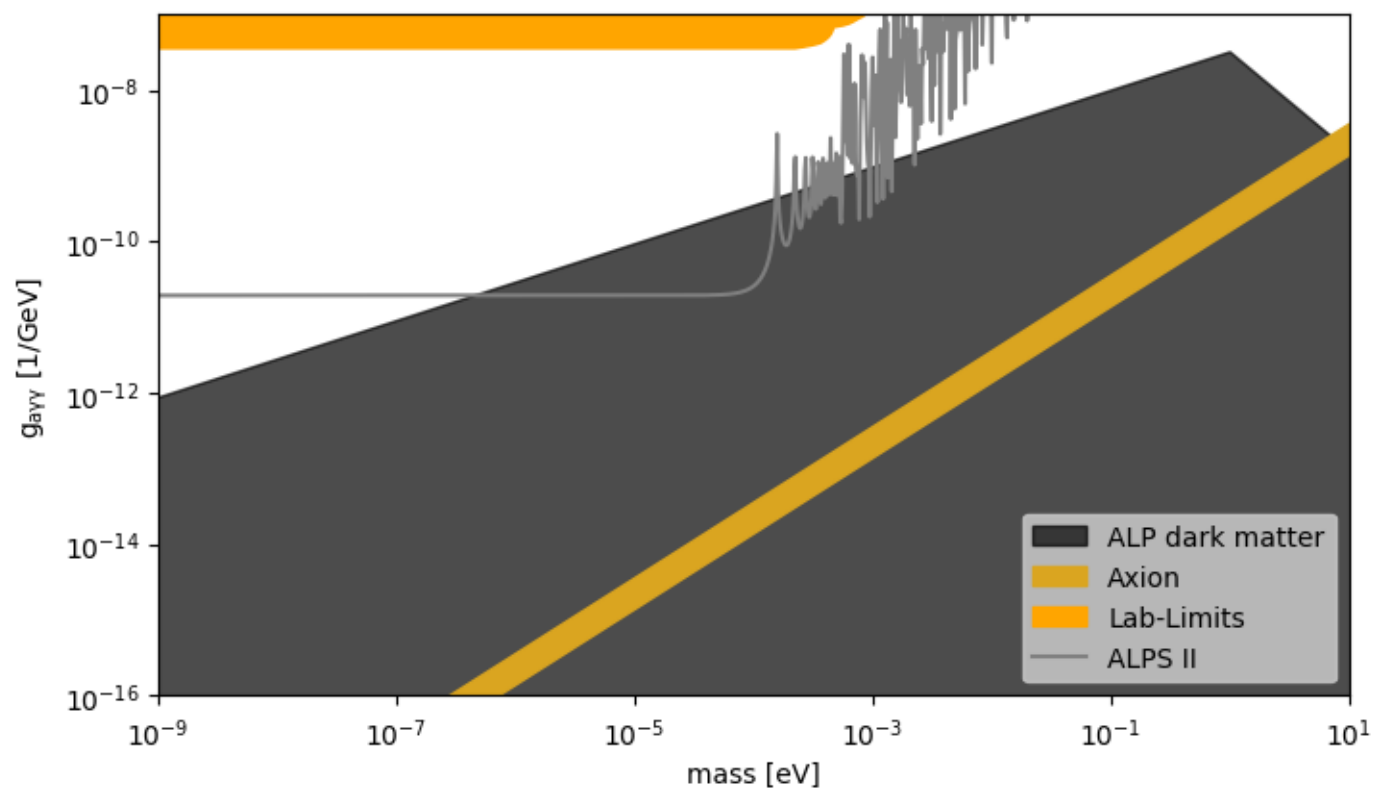


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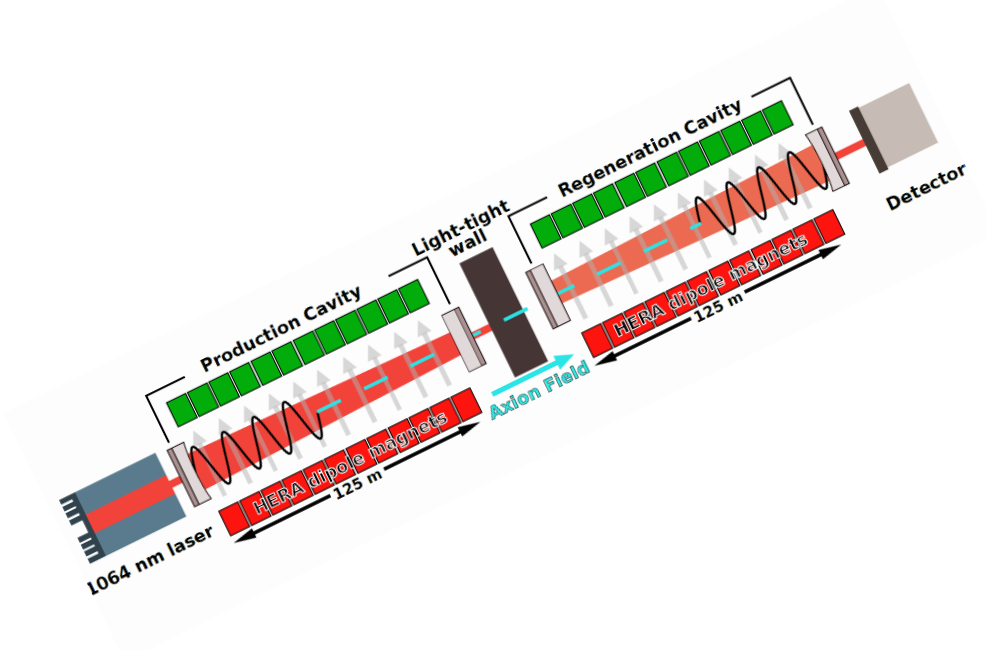


Bridging the gap with **ALPS II**:

Improve the sensitivity by  $O(10^3)$ !

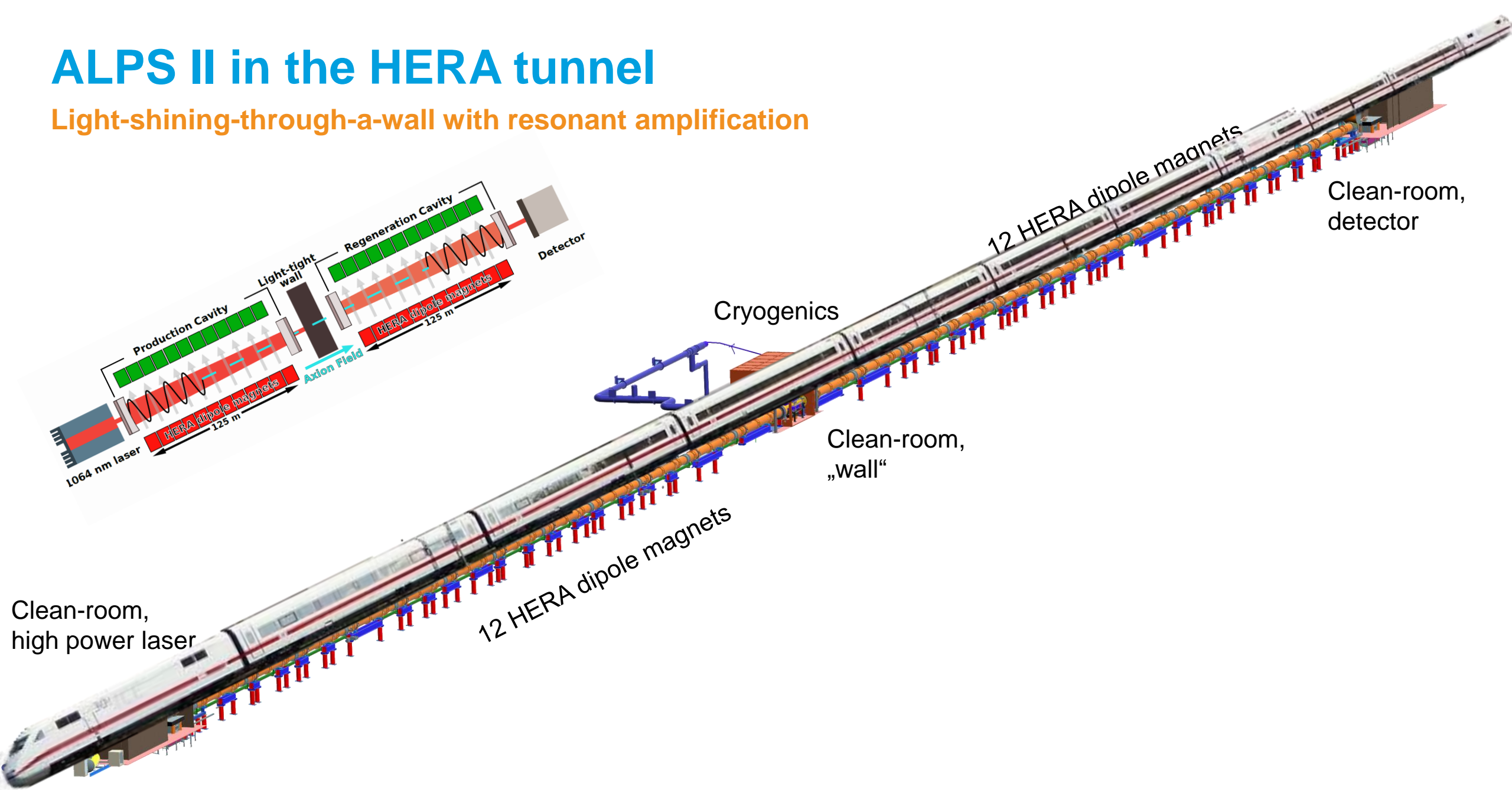
# ALPS II in the HERA tunnel

Light-shining-through-a-wall with resonant amplification



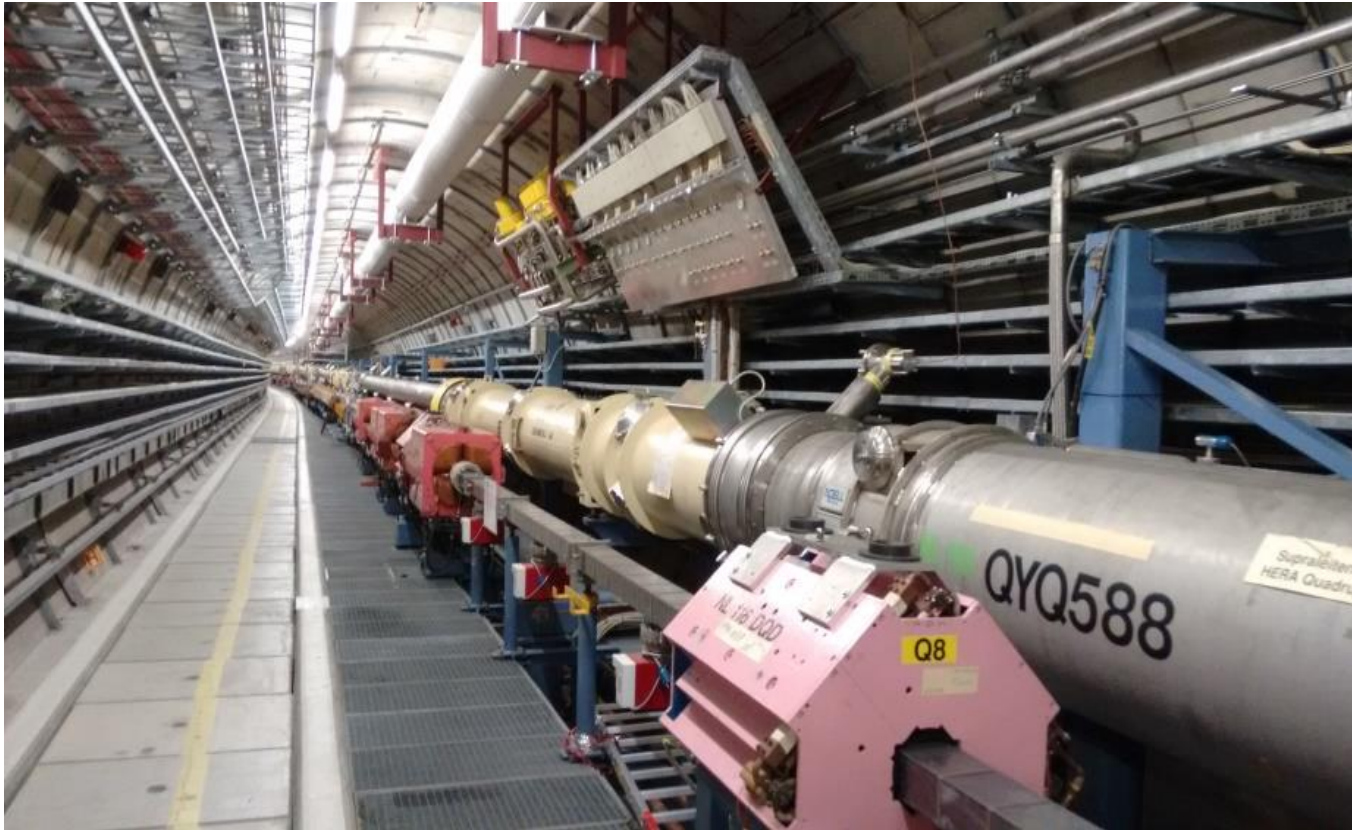
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# ALPS II

Construction 2019-2023



Dismantling the HERA accelerator around HERA North.

# ALPS II

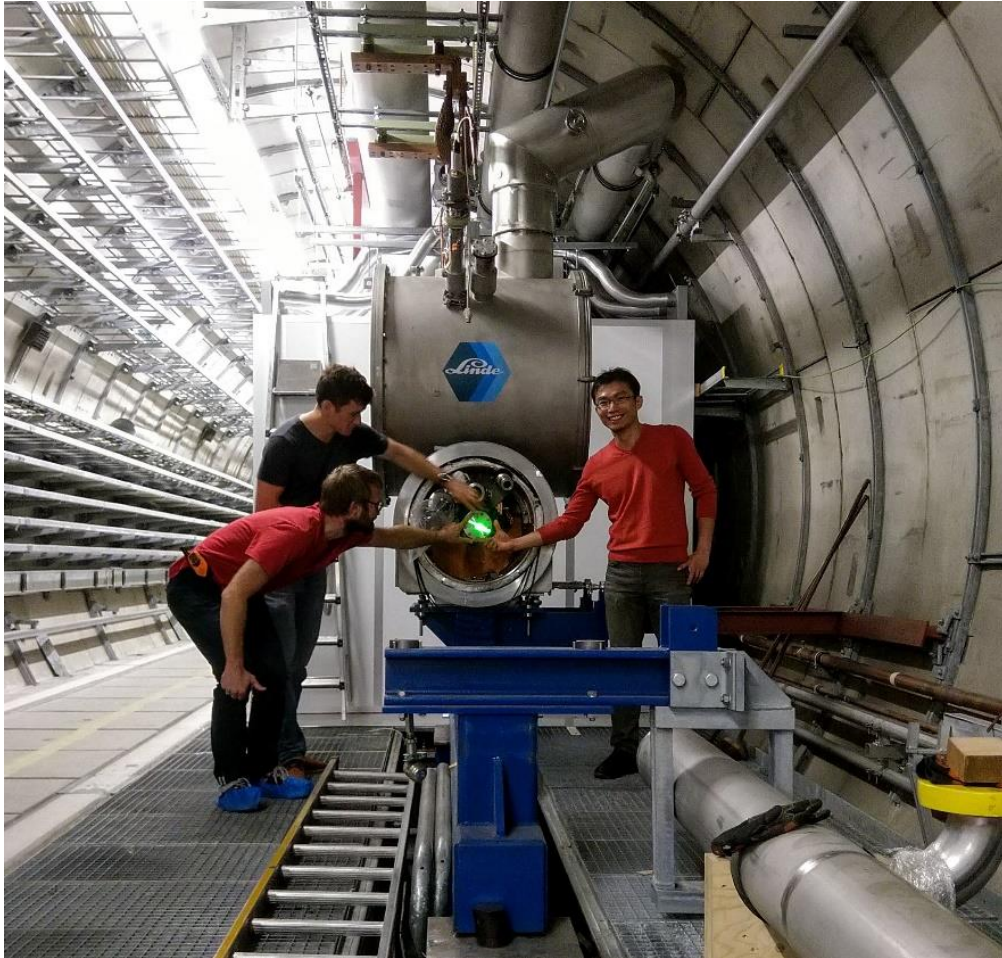
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The straightened dipoles are coming.

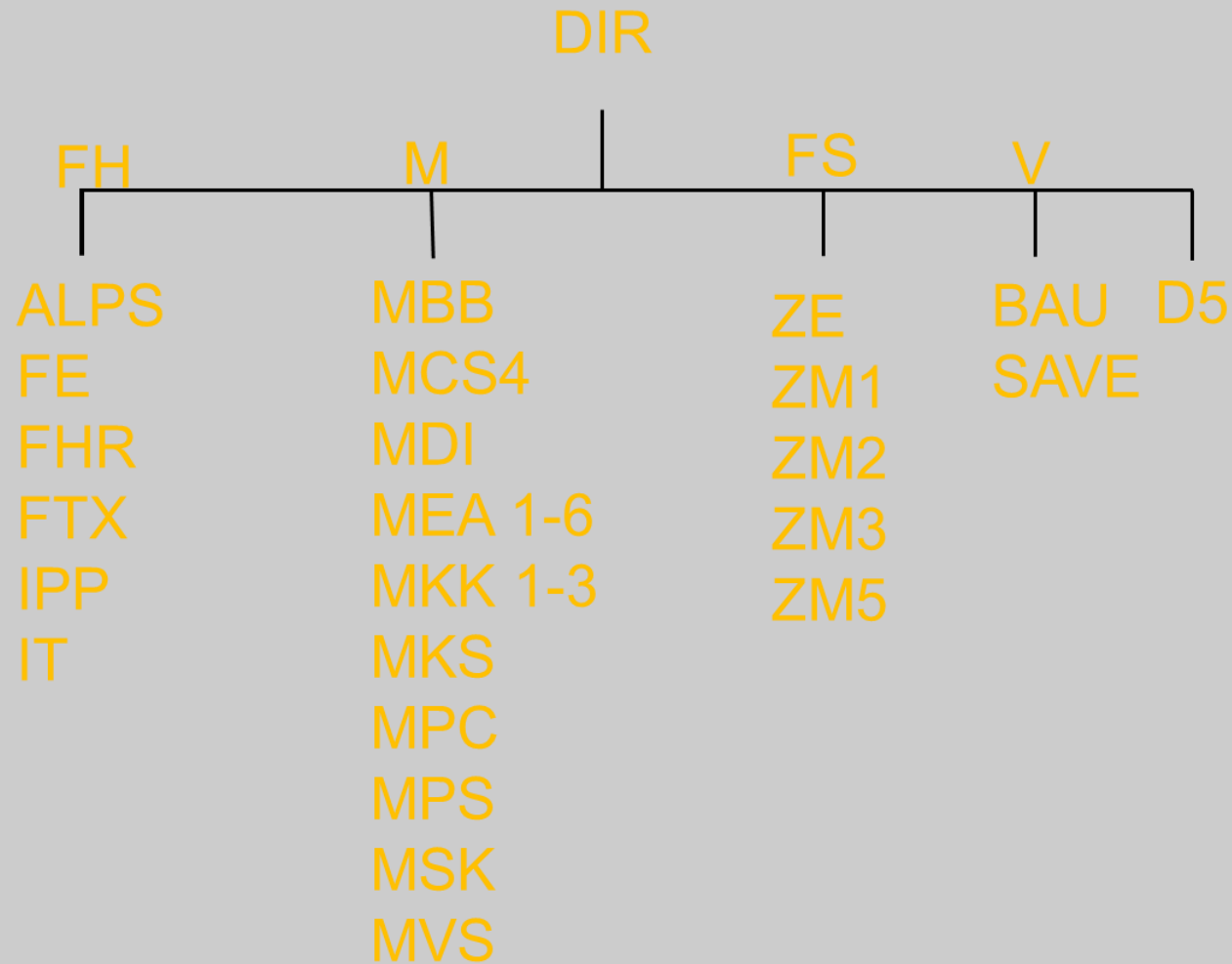
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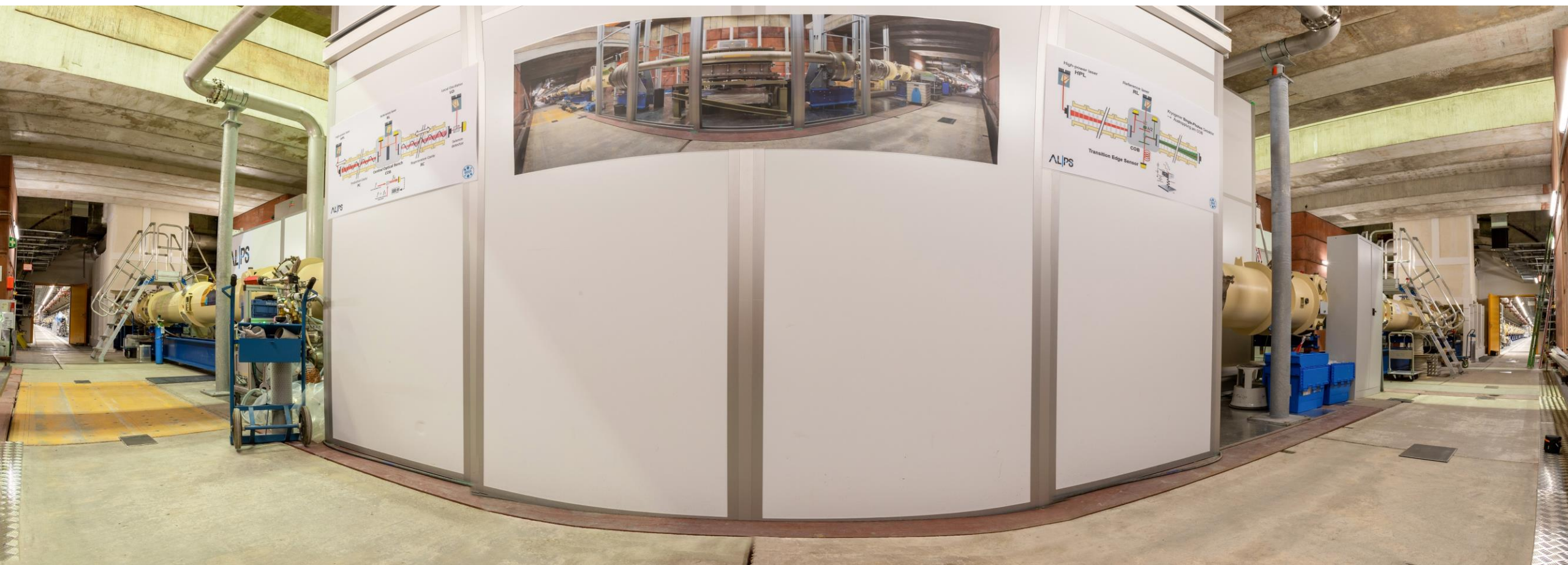
Light-through-first-magnets.

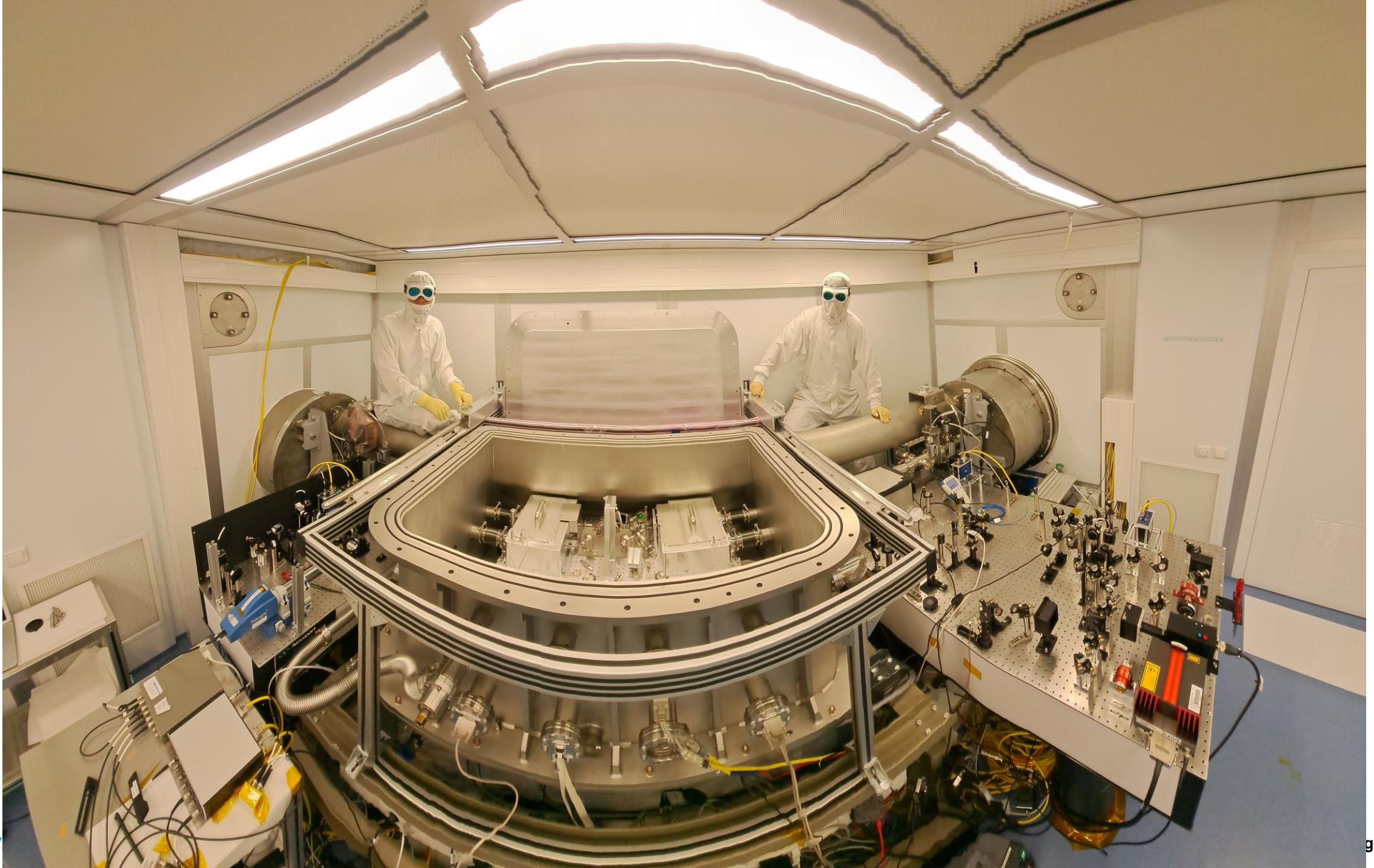
# ALPS II: coordination of DESY groups and companies



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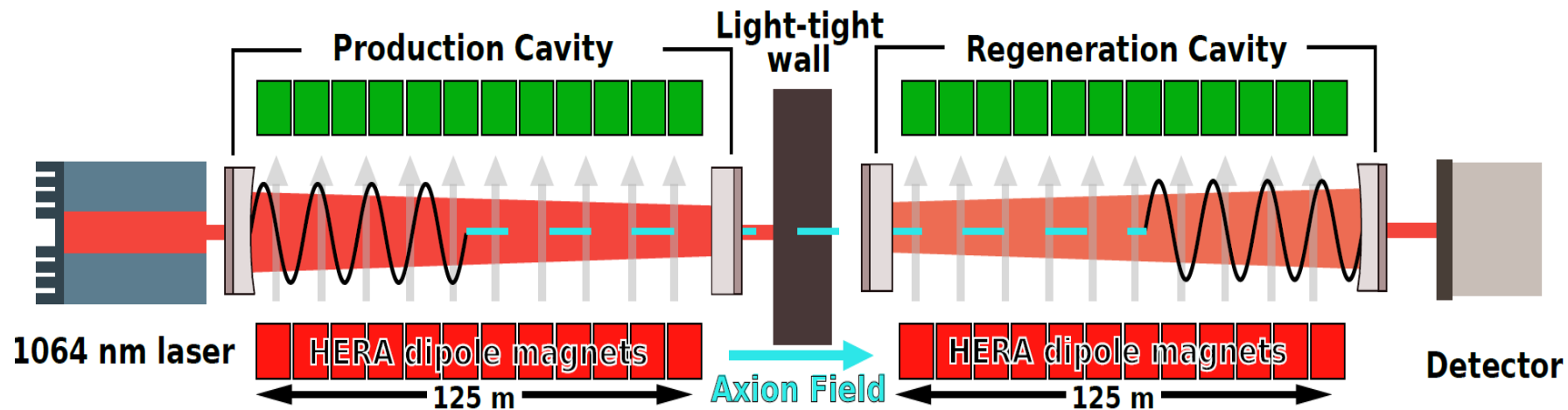
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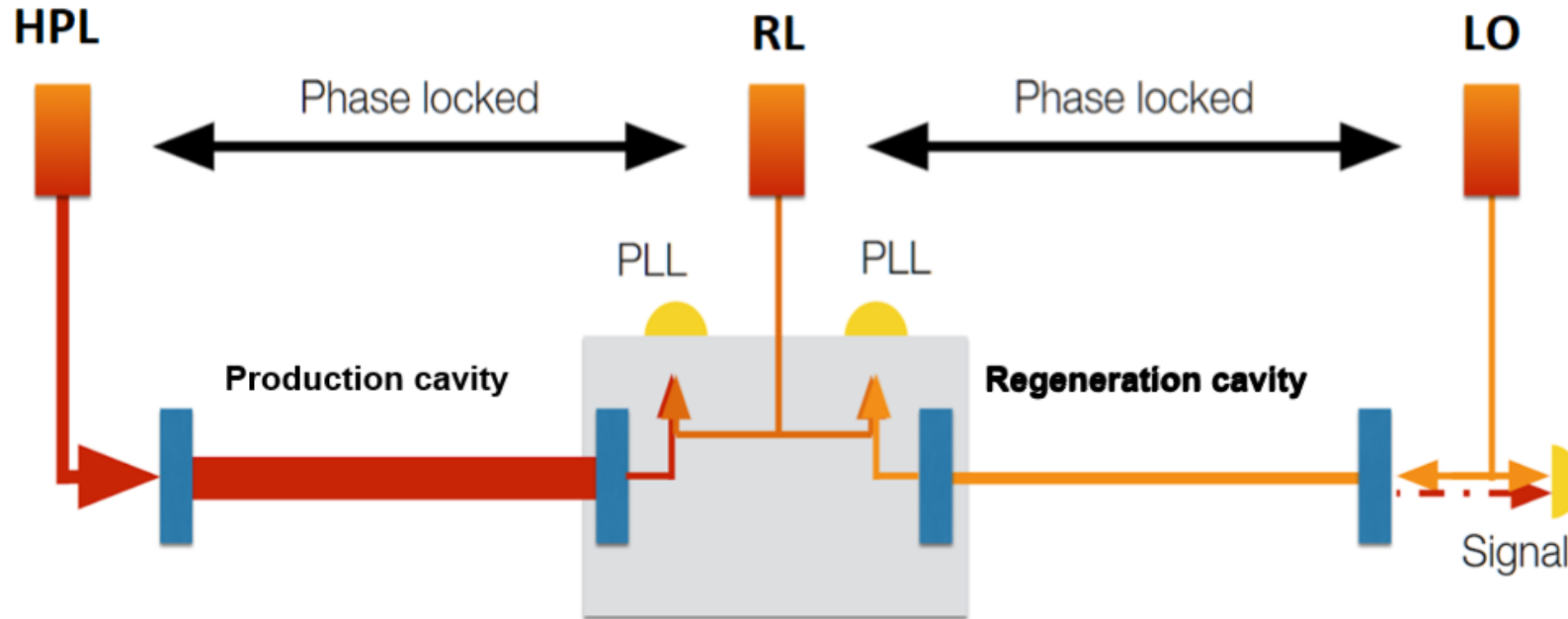
# ALPS II: a glimpse on the challenges

## Cavities and Heterodyne Sensing



# ALPS II: a glimpse on the challenges

## Cavities and Heterodyne Sensing



### Problem:

Light in regeneration cavity required to sense seismic mirror motions to maintain resonance condition for light from axion reconversion.

### From a problem to a benefit:

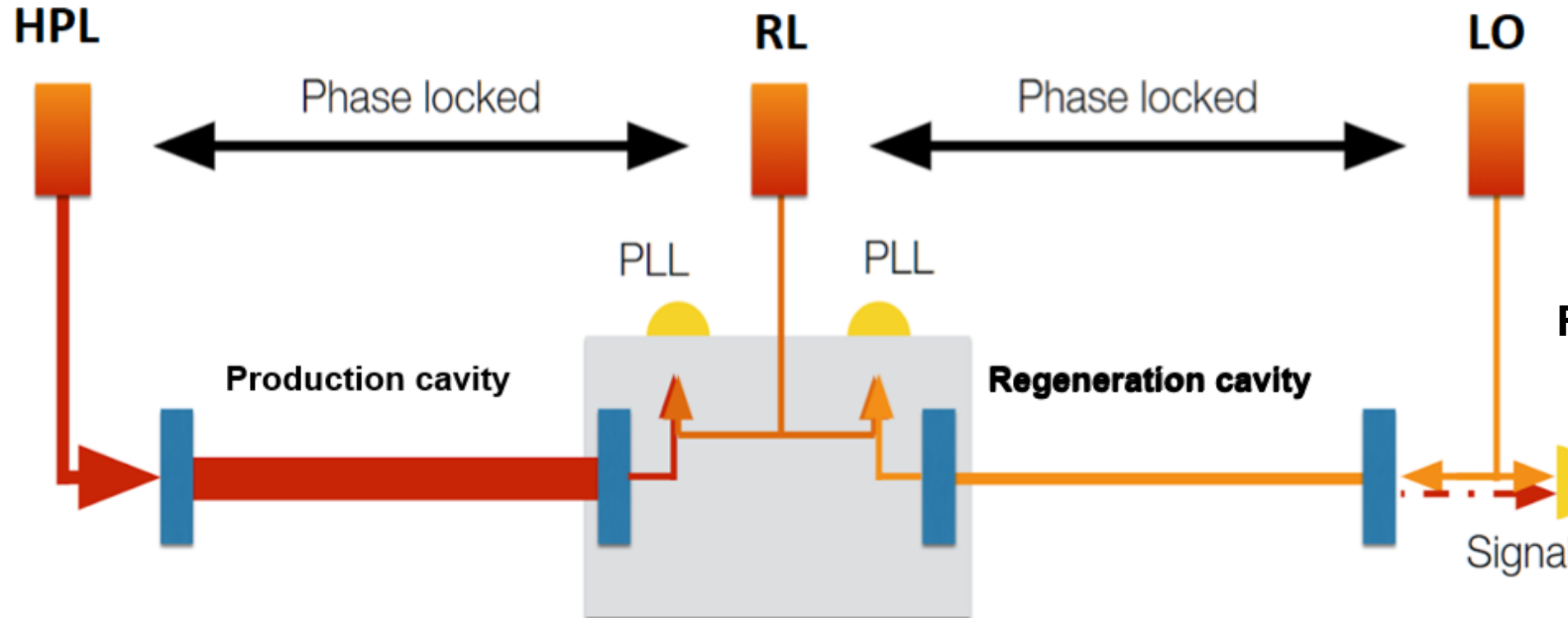
Maintain a constant

- frequency difference and
- phase difference between sensing light and "axion-light".

Superpose both light fields and look for the beat-signal (heterodyne sensing).

# ALPS II: a glimpse on the challenges

## Cavities and Heterodyne Sensing



**Frequencies involved:**

281.759.828.947.368,0 Hz  
(variable to compensate seismic noise)

Difference to above: 58.659.993,2 Hz

**Down-mixing for signal detection:**

58.659.993,2 + 2,4 Hz  
Stability requirement: 0.1  $\mu$ Hz

# ALPS II: data taking has started!

23 May 2023

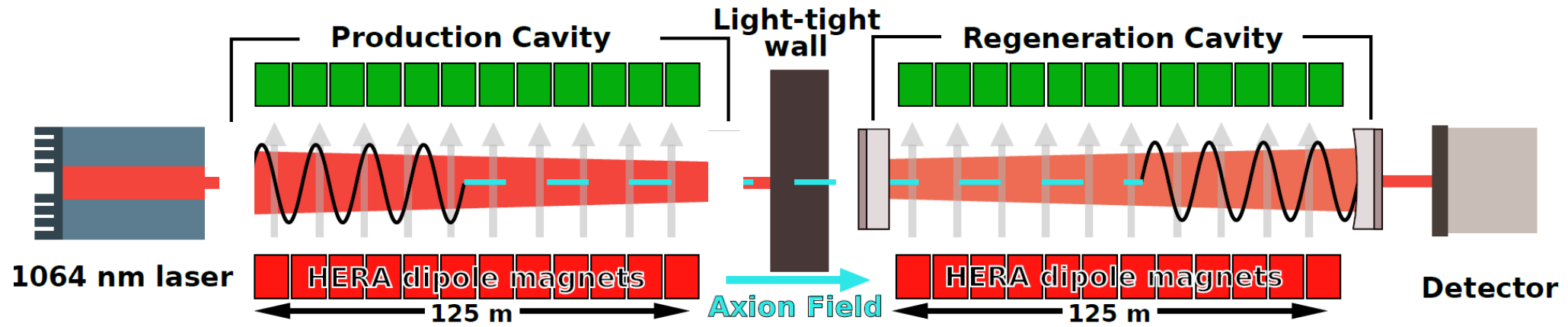


After more than 10 years of R&D and construction...



# ALPS II initial science run

No optical cavity in front of the wall



Prime motivations:

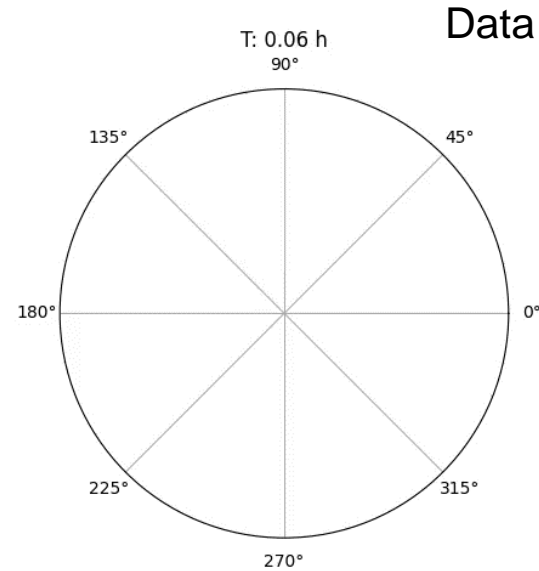
- Characterize and mitigate stray-light reaching the detector: 50-fold enhancement without the production cavity.
- Demonstrate stable data taking.

# ALPS II status

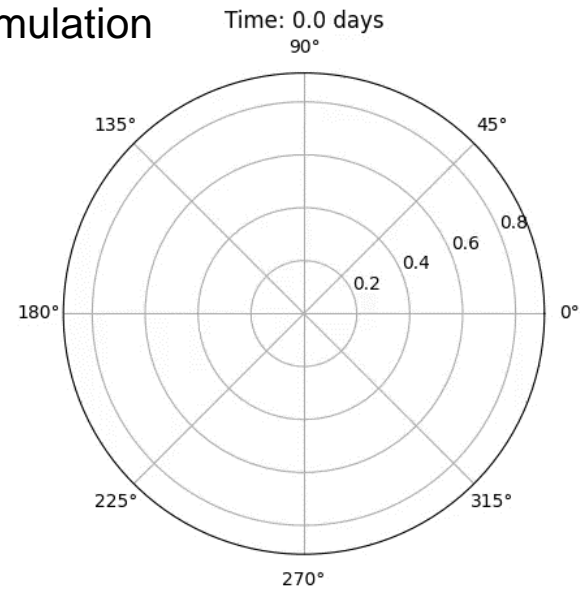
Initial science run 23 to 31 May 2023

Radial:  
integrated number of photons

Circular:  
integrated phase difference



Simulation



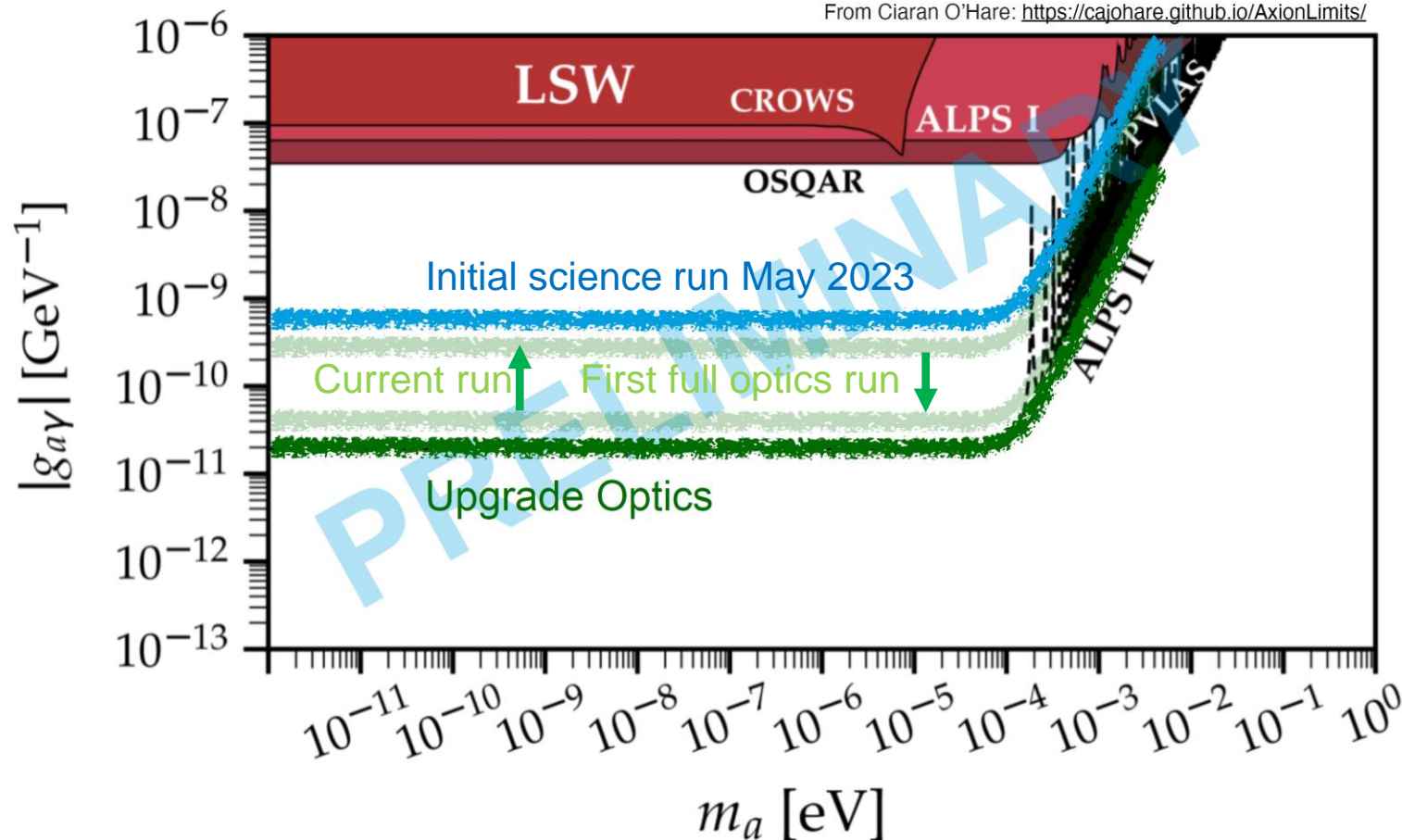
Very preliminary results:

- No light shining through the wall.
- Stray-light level  $< 10^{-22}$  W after 10,000 seconds.
- At present:  
start of a 1,000,000 second run for further tests.

# ALPS II sensitivities (projections)

Very preliminary !

From Ciaran O'Hare: <https://cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/>



Next steps:

- Full optics in 2024.
- Design sensitivity in 2025.

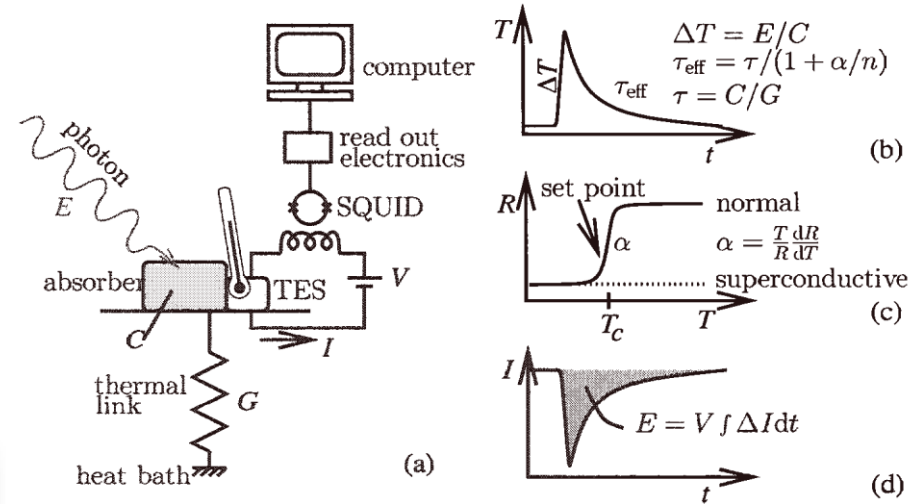
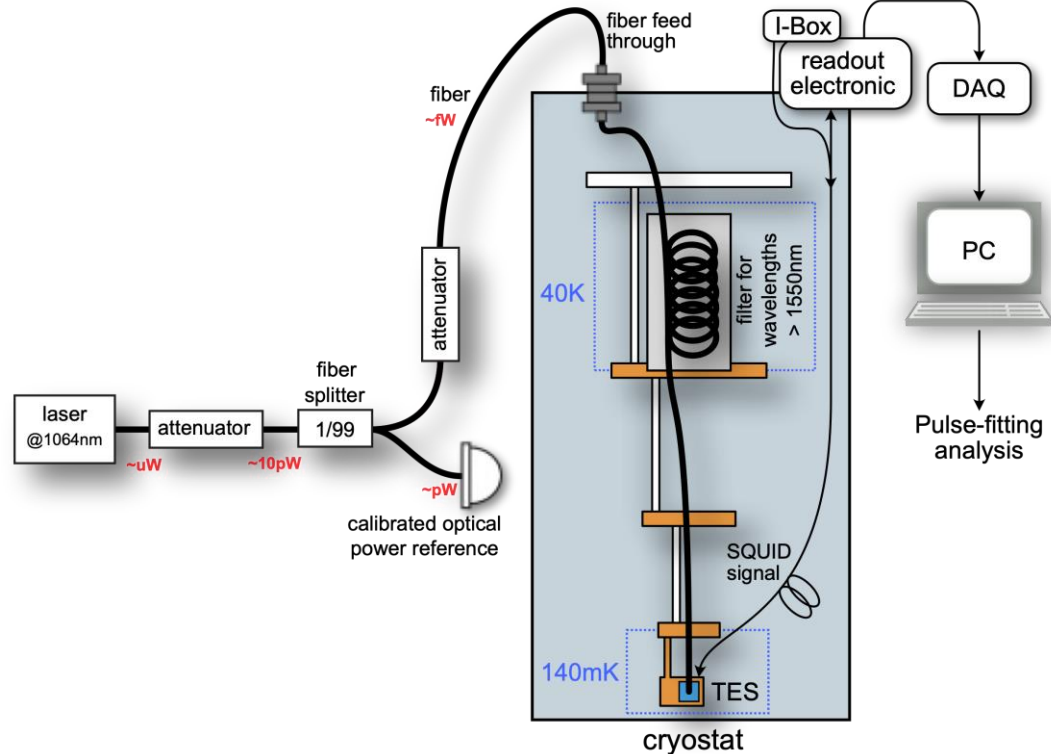
Beyond (depending on results):

- Further axion searches (TES-based?).
- Vacuum magnetic birefringence.
- High frequency gravitational waves.

# ALPS II: TES detectors

Counting photons with  $5 \cdot 10^{-24}$  W @ 1064 nm and <10% single photon energy resolution

- Using a superconducting transition edge sensor operated at about 100 mK.

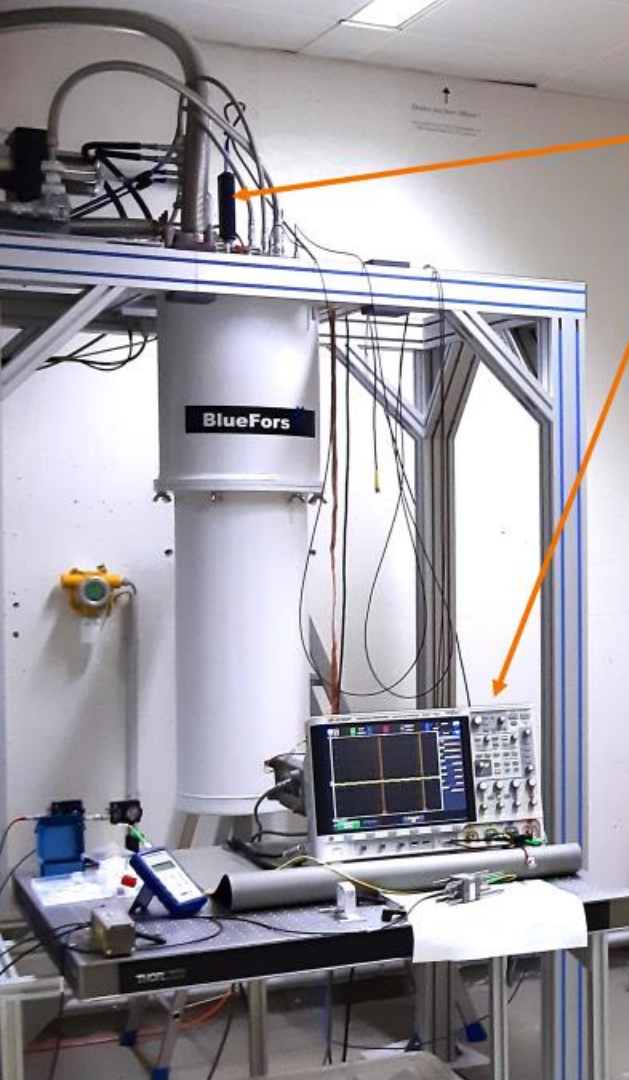


$$\Delta T \approx 300 \mu\text{K}$$

$$\Delta R \approx 1 \Omega$$

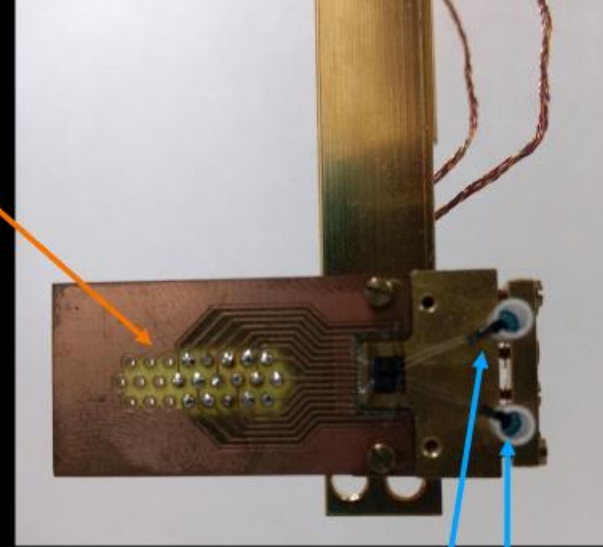
$$\Delta I \approx 70 \text{ nA}$$

- Two dilution refrigerators available.
- TES for direct dark matter searches?
- TES for squeezed light photon statistics?



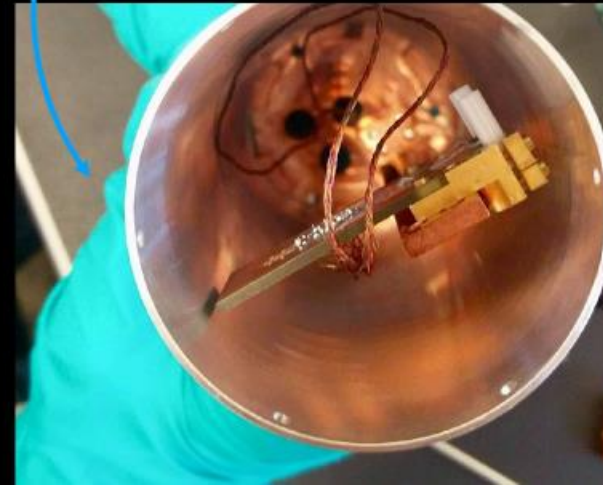
## SQUID (PTB, Magnicon)

- I-Box
- Electronics from Magnicon
- IV curve measurement via Oscilloscope



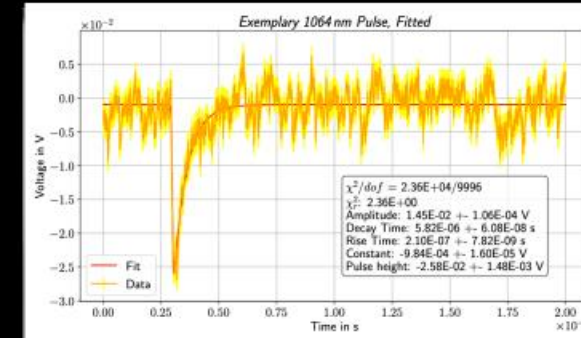
## TES

- 2 Tungsten sensors (NIST)
- High-efficient layers (>99% transmission for 1064 nm)
- Fiber coupled
- Coupled to the bath via copper
- aluminium can for shielding against magnetic, EM, BB... ?



## DAQ

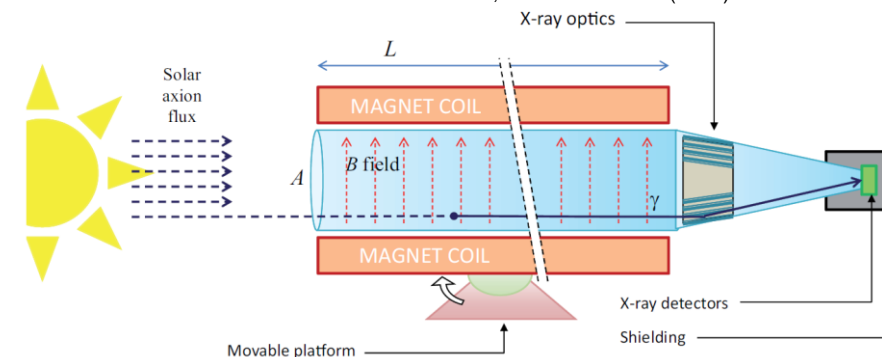
- Alazar ATS9626 250Ms/s via PCI on a Linux system
- GUI programmed in-house
- Triggering for different working points of TES resistance
- Different analysis lines



## Cryostat

- Bluefors Dilution refrigerator (mixing He3/4) achieving 21mK
- Control from Bluefors (manually and remote software)
- Remote control (Windows PC)
- DOOCS Panel for remote view



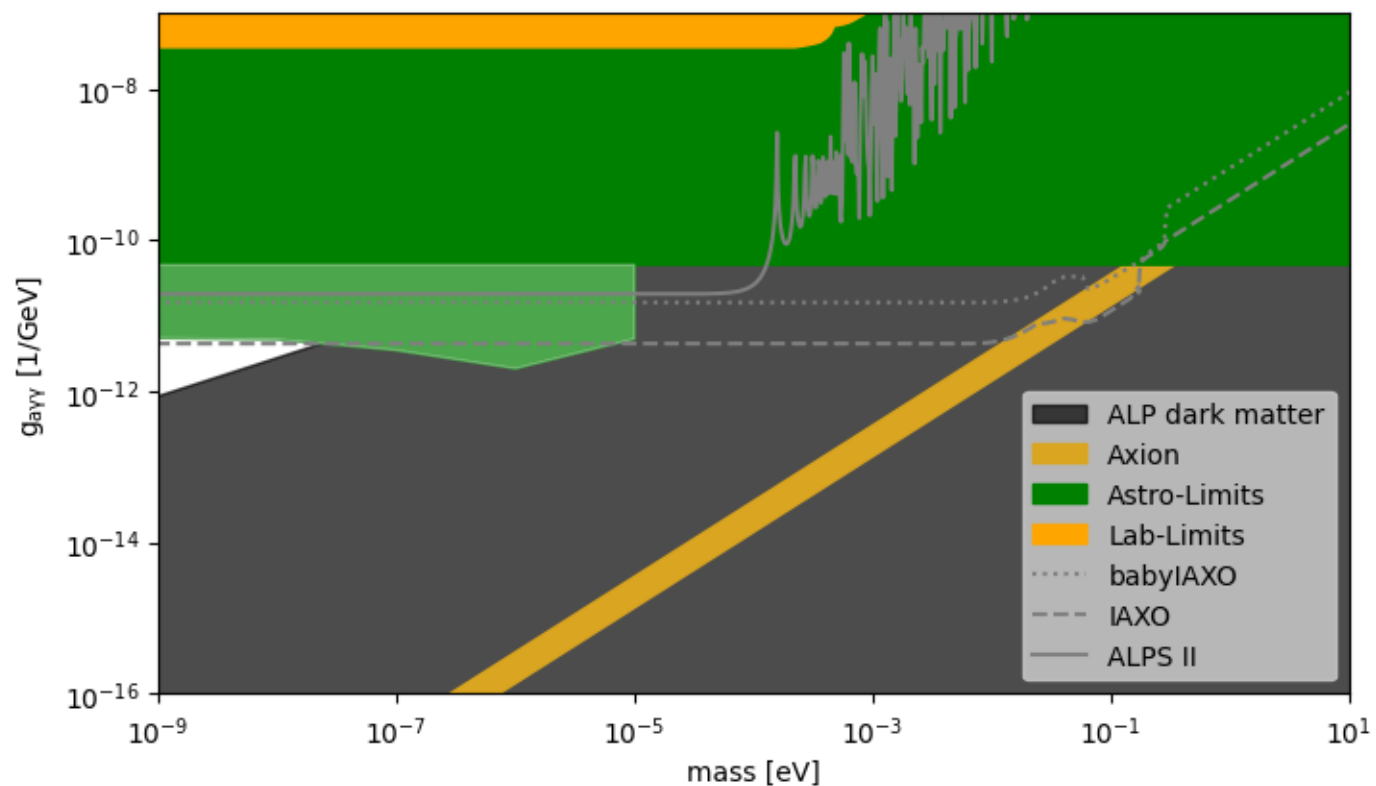


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# Looking for solar axions

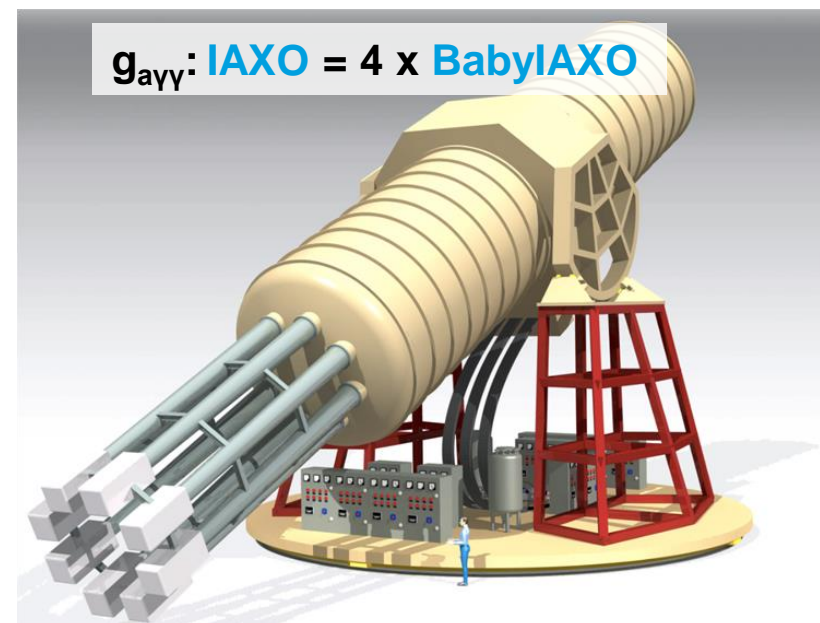
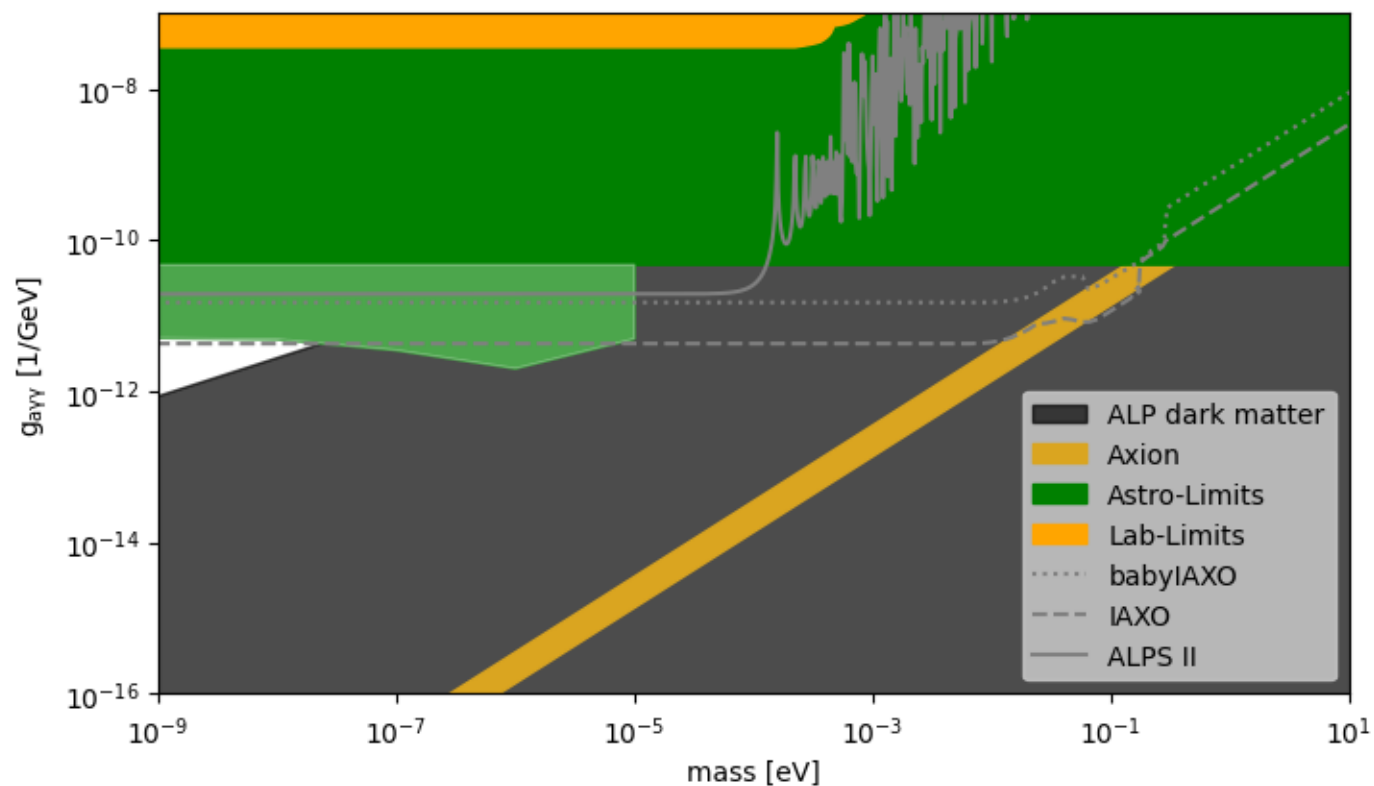
## Axions from astrophysics



# iXO and Baby iXO

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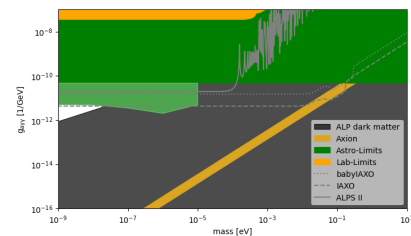
BabylAXO as a full-fledged IAXO prototype with own discovery potential.





## Physics potential

Unique axion discovery potential,  
overlapping with ALPS II and going beyond.



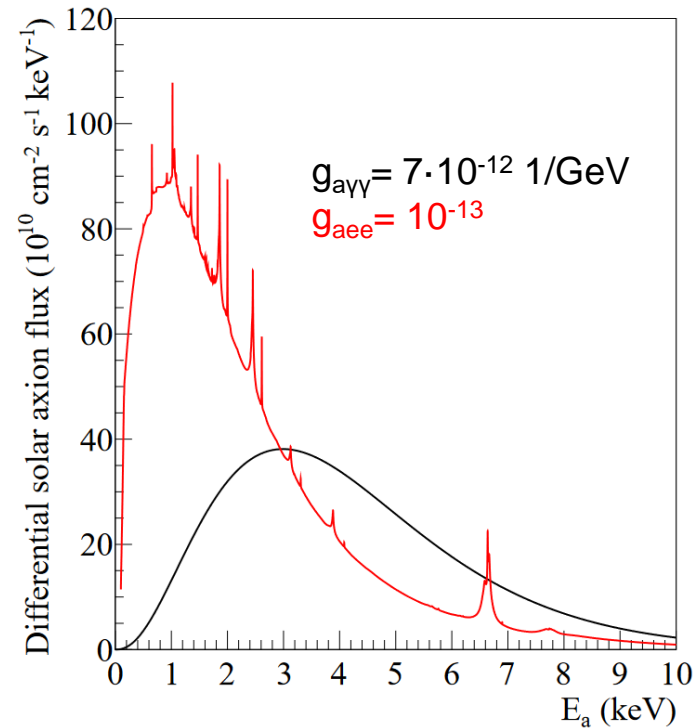
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Test axion models:

- Compare different couplings:  
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Axions from  $^{57}\text{Fe}$   
at 14.4 keV



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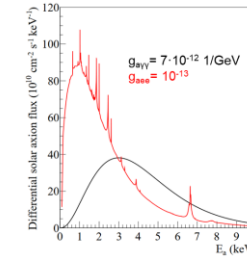
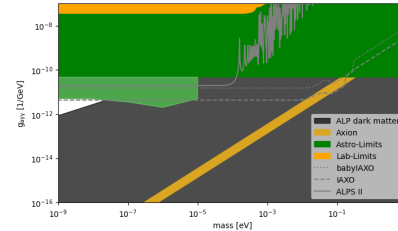
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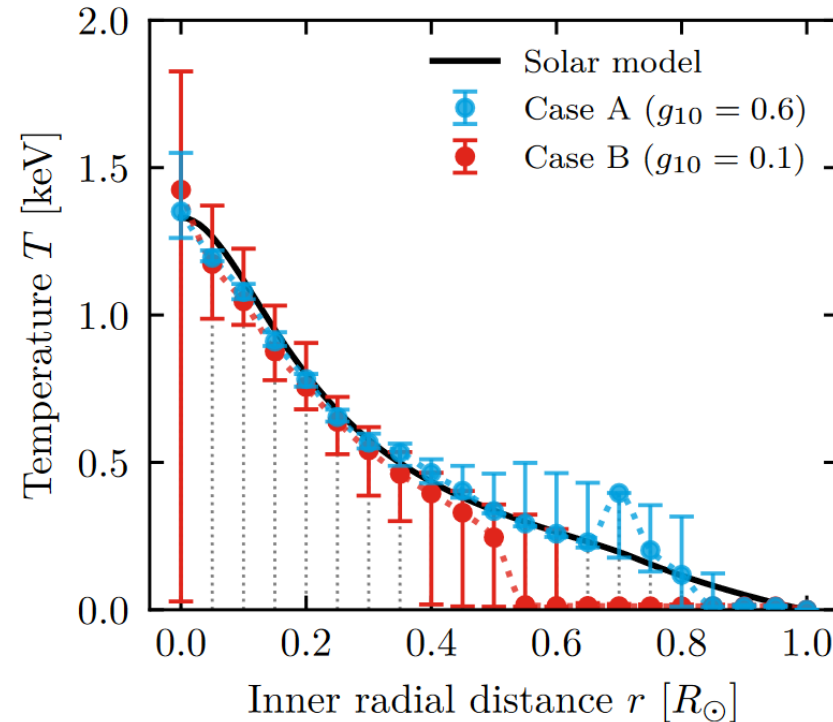
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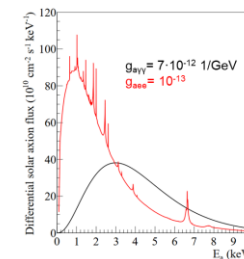
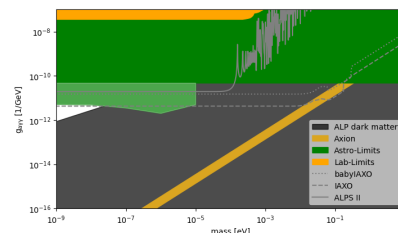
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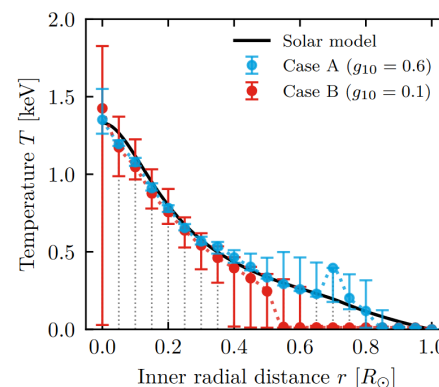
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More astrophysics:

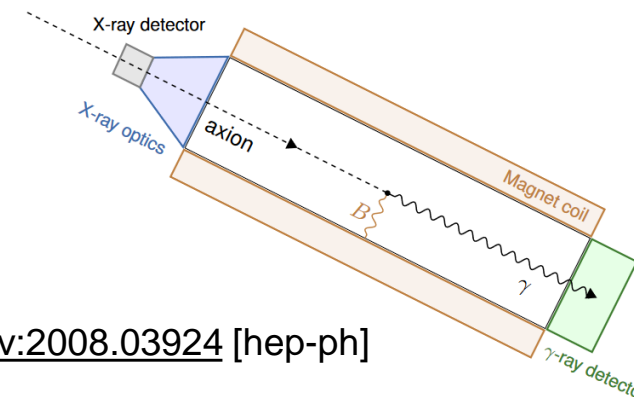
- Axions from supernovae?
- High frequency gravitational waves?



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[arXiv:2008.03924](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.03924) [hep-ph]

# Status of BabyIAXO

Ready to start construction in 2024?

In 2022 BabyIAXO was basically ready to start construction, but experienced a serious setback after the Russian invasion into the Ukraine and the subsequent discontinuation of collaborations with Russian partner institutes.

This mainly affected the BabyIAXO magnet.

Thanks to the collaboration and engagement by CERN and DESY, the magnet seems to be in reach again!



Component / Status	Technical	Funding
Structure & Drive system	(✓)	(✓)
Vacuum & Gas System	✓	✓
Magnet	(✓)	(?)
X-ray Telescopes	✓	✓
Detectors	✓	✓

**ERC-Synergy Grant** DarkQuantum obtained !

- Develop quantum tech for axions
- Quantum-enhanced haloscope in BabyIAXO
- Connection with experts (cryo, quantum,...)
- Contribution to magnet



I. Irastorza (U. Zaragoza), T. Kontos (École Normale Supérieure de Paris), S. Paraoanu (Aalto University), W. Wernsdorfer (KIT)



# MAgnetized Disc and Mirror Axion eXperiment

<https://madmax.mpp.mpg.de/>

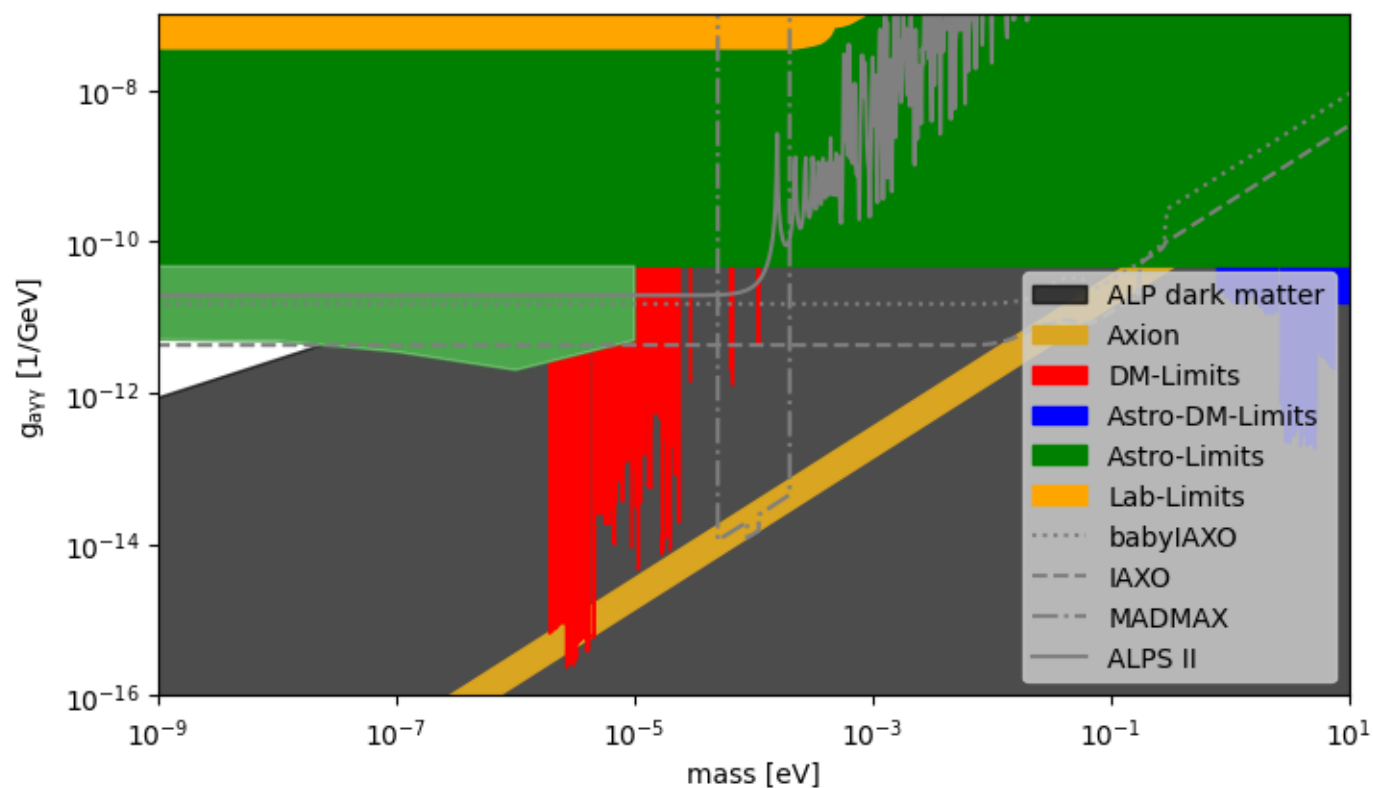
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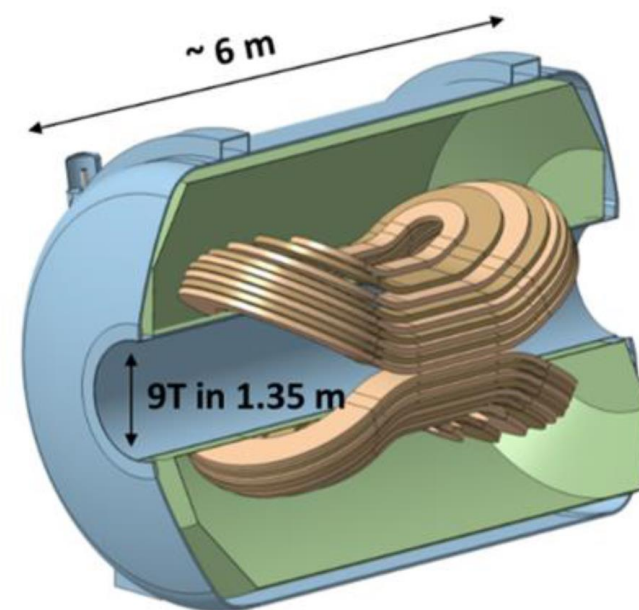


- CPPM, France
- DESY Hamburg, Germany
- Néel Institute, Grenoble, France
- **MPI für Physik, Munich, Germany**
- MPI für Radioastronomie, Bonn, Germany
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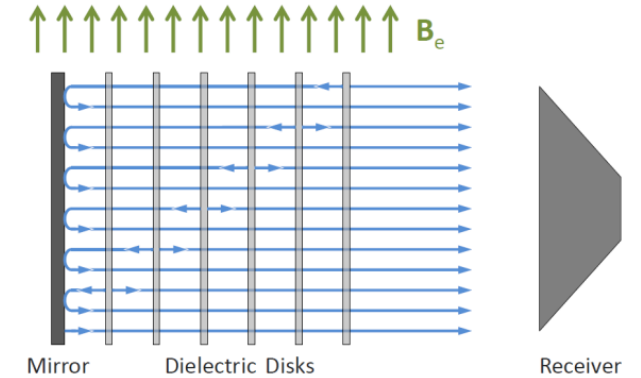
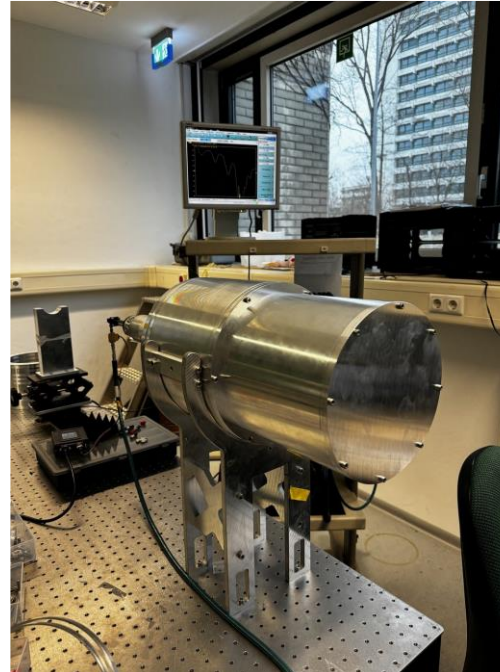
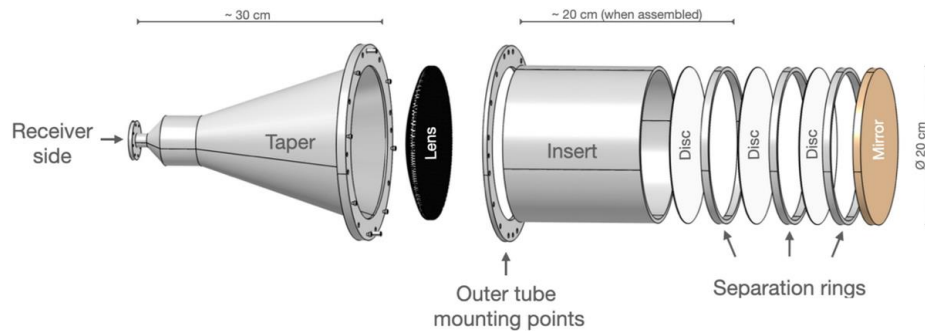
## Axions from cosmology





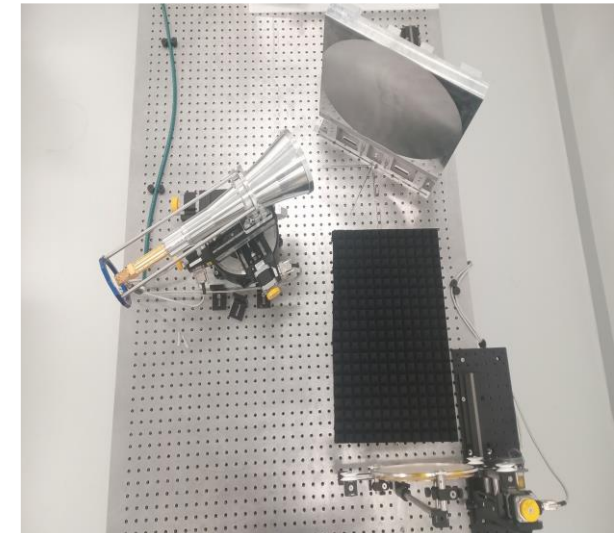
Approach: resonantly enhance axion-photon conversion

- Booster: a stack of dielectric plates inside a strong magnetic dipole field is tuned to the radiofrequencies corresponding to axion in the 100  $\mu\text{eV}$  mass range.
  - The measured power can be enhanced by several  $10^4$ .
  - Tradeoff between bandwidth and “boost factor”.
- Place the booster inside a huge dipole magnet of 10 T with an aperture of  $> 1$  m.



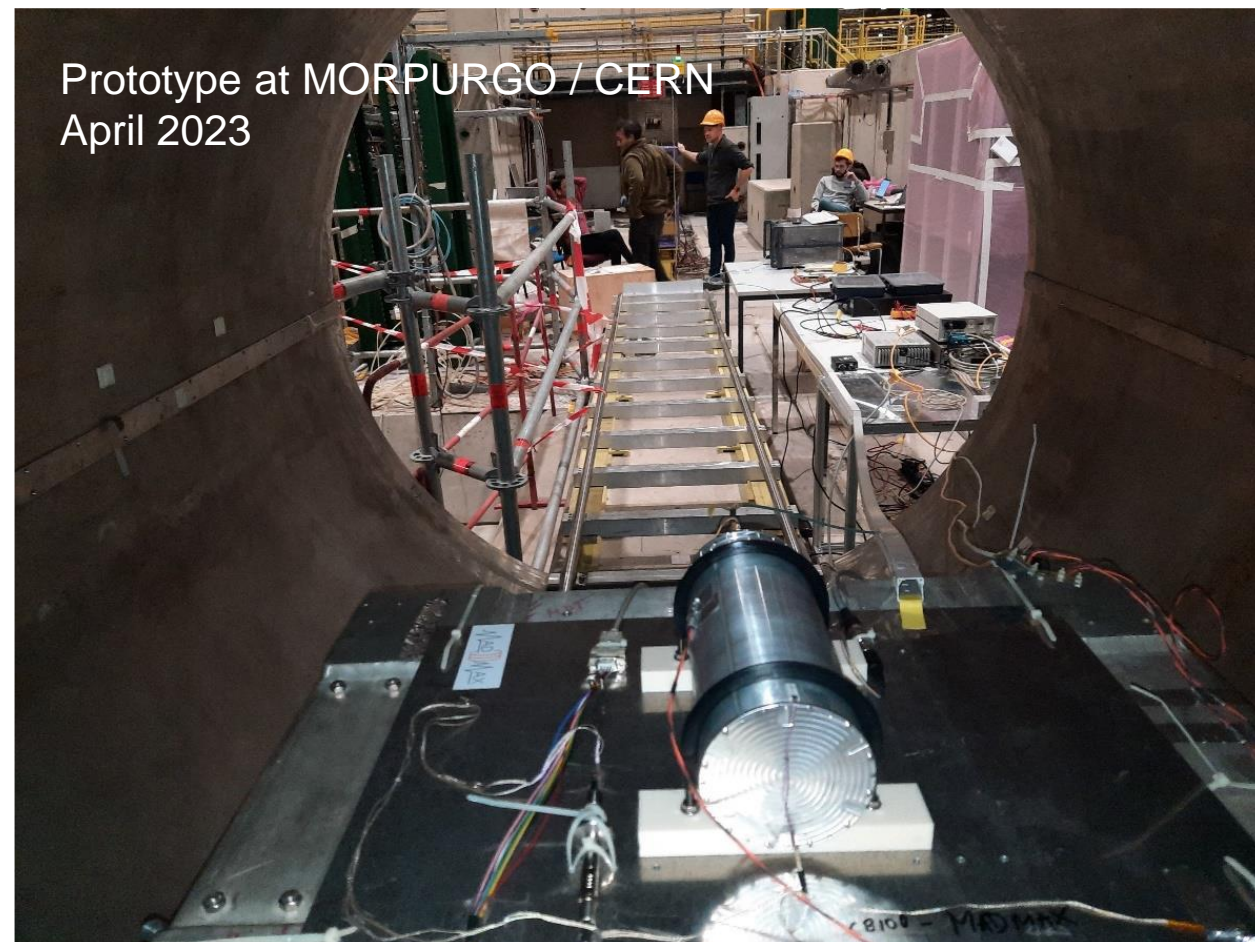
For details see:

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- Eur.Phys.J.C 79 (2019) 3, 186



Very substantial progress in the prototyping phase:

- Magnet:
  - Conceptual design.
  - Very successful conductor test at CEA / Saclay.
- Enabling technologies:
  - Dielectric disk handling and mounting.
  - Piezo motor tests (vacuum, cryogenics, magnetic field)
- Booster understanding:
  - Series of prototype tests started.
  - **Complex booster calibration method developed at MPP Munich and Hamburg University.**
  - **First physics results soon!**



Further schedule beyond using MORPURGO depends on availability of funds.

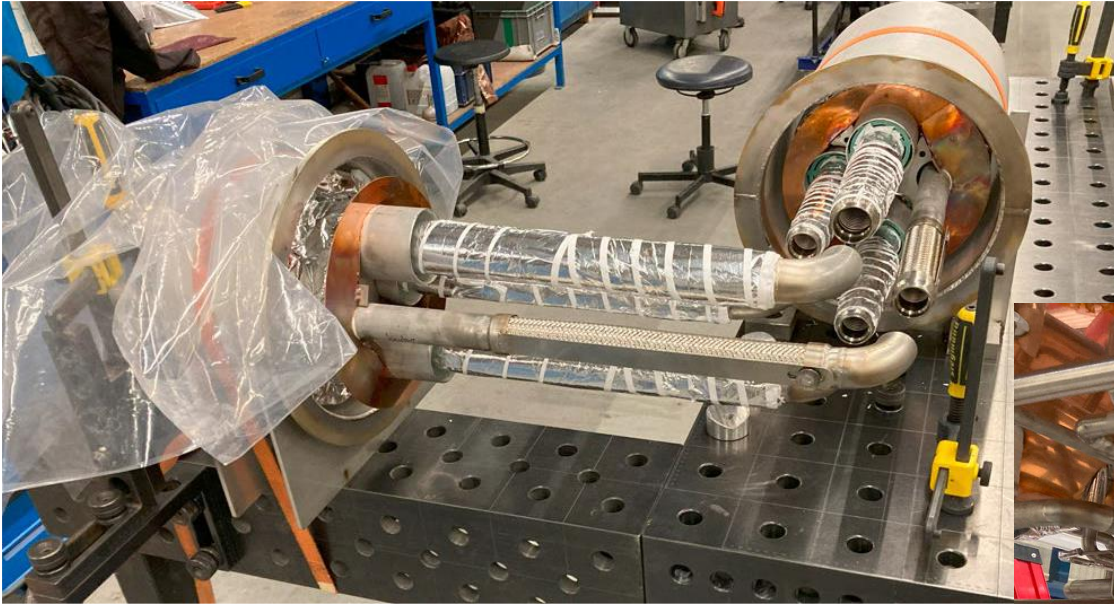
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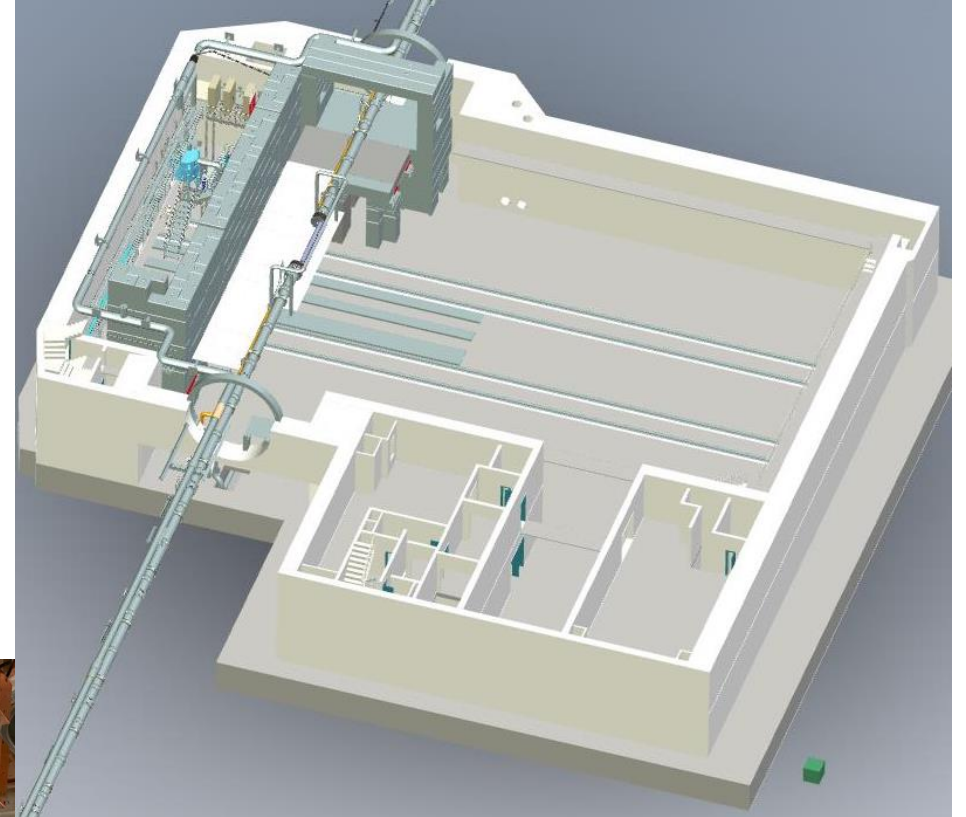
An infrastructure for larger scale “cold” experiments

Provide 4 K helium to up to three experiments.

- Main first “customer”: MADMAX



The new cryobox for He distribution.



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# Summary

**DESY: towards a center also for larger scale WISP searches**

Four major activities:

Model independent WISP searches with ALPS II:

- Data taking has started!

Solar WISP searches with IAXO:

- Ready to start BabyIAXO construction in 2024?

Dark matter WISP searches with MADMAX:

- First physics results with prototypes in 2024.

Cryoplatfrom:

- New research infrastructure for the world-wide community.

**Eavesdropping @ DESY: getting ready to catch Nature's WISP whispering.**