RF6 "Big ideas" solicited papers

- Organization around science goals/questions.
- Arrange the breadth of RF6 science so that all the main techniques have a chance to shine.
- Span ≥95% of white-paper interests
 - 1. Detect dark matter particle production (production reaction or through subsequent DM scattering), with a focus on exploring sensitivity to thermal DM interaction strengths.

Editors: Gordan Krnjaic, Natalia Toro — Jan. 20, https://indico.fnal.gov/event/52857/

2. Explore the structure of the dark sector by producing and detecting unstable dark particles: Minimal Portal Interactions.

Editors: Brian Batell, Chris Hearty — Jan. 27, today's meeting

3. New Flavors and Rich Structures in Dark Sectors.

Editors: Phil Harris, Philip Schuster, Jure Zupan — Feb. 3

4. Experiments/facilities/tools

Editors: Phil Ilten, Nhan Tran — Feb. 10

More details: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1R0O23wjGLxRzsc93a4pJlFn17yW9TCTq (in our google drive folder, https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/ 1sMn1cWl2ddqzu46Yi4TcMlX7Cm2GUxO)

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Deadline: April 15

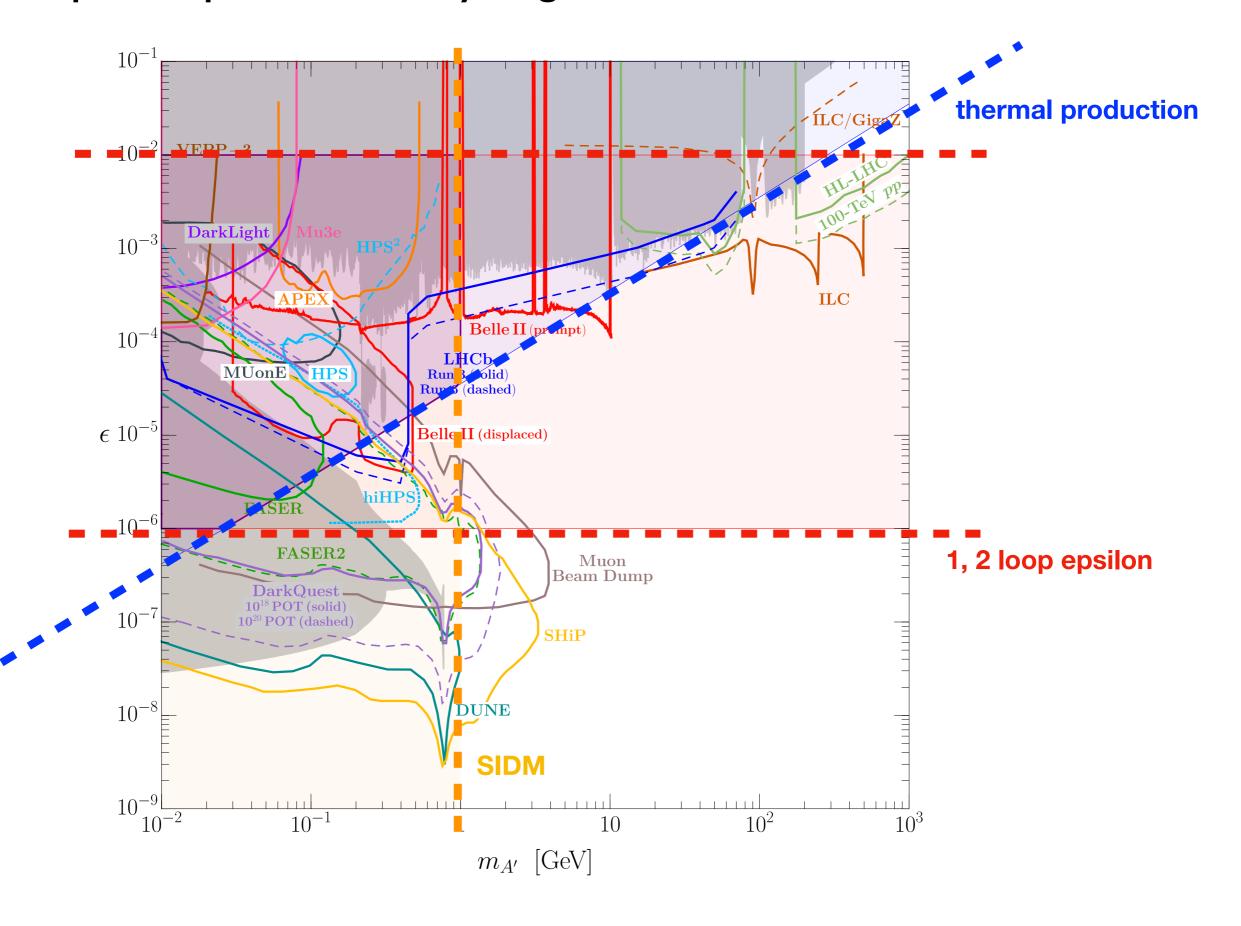
Big Idea 2 whitepaper structure

- Executive summary summarize physics motivations, scope of big idea 2, experimental opportunities, connections with big questions, synergies and complementarity with other frontiers and big ideas
- Introduction recap motivation, opportunities, and whitepaper structure
- Experimental approaches high-level overview of experimental concepts and search strategies
- Benchmark minimal portal models Lagrangaian, interactions of mediator with SM particles, pheno overview, bounds and projections, connections with big questions
- Dark photon, Higgs portal scalar, HNL (electron and tau mixing dominance),
 ALP-photon, and ALP-gluon

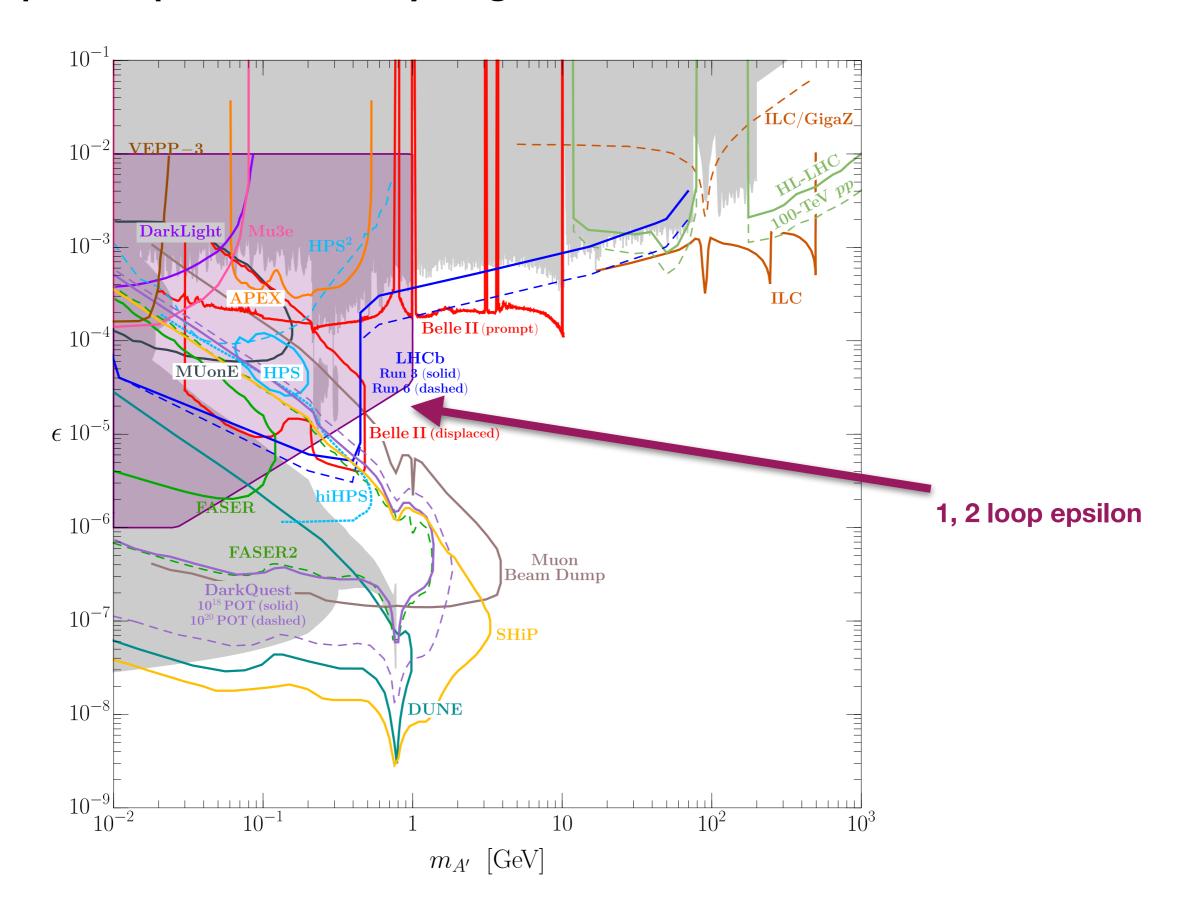
Status of white paper and to do list:

- Draft of whitepaper posted to Snowmass RF6 slack channel on May 4 and feedback solicited.
- Most of the content is in the whitepaper, but some polishing still needed and a few items remain to be finalized
- Add messaging on scientific opportunities and roadmap to executive summary
- Add dark photon "feature plot" with theory targets to executive summary
- Discuss different levels of sophistication in various projections
- Distinguish time frames for experiments with multiple plots and/or line structure (solid, dashed, dotted)
- Collect additional experimental curves. Please let us know if we are missing any relevant projections.
- Add astrophysical / cosmological bounds to plots

Dark photon plot with theory targets



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Feedback on the whitepaper from the community is welcomed and encouraged!

• If you have comments, suggestions, feedback or would like to sign/endorse the whitepaper, please email us:

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