

# **Strategic Approach to Broaden the Use of Superconductivity in Society and the Potential Impact on a Cleaner, Healthier and Sustainable Future**

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# The challenge



# Global Environmental Challenges



Europe 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021



California 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021



UAE 17<sup>th</sup> July 2021



Greenland 2021 - melting  
6 X times faster than 1990



Antarctica Icebergs  
melting fast!



**Key takeaway**  
Need new innovations!.... Superconducting materials and technologies can and will help

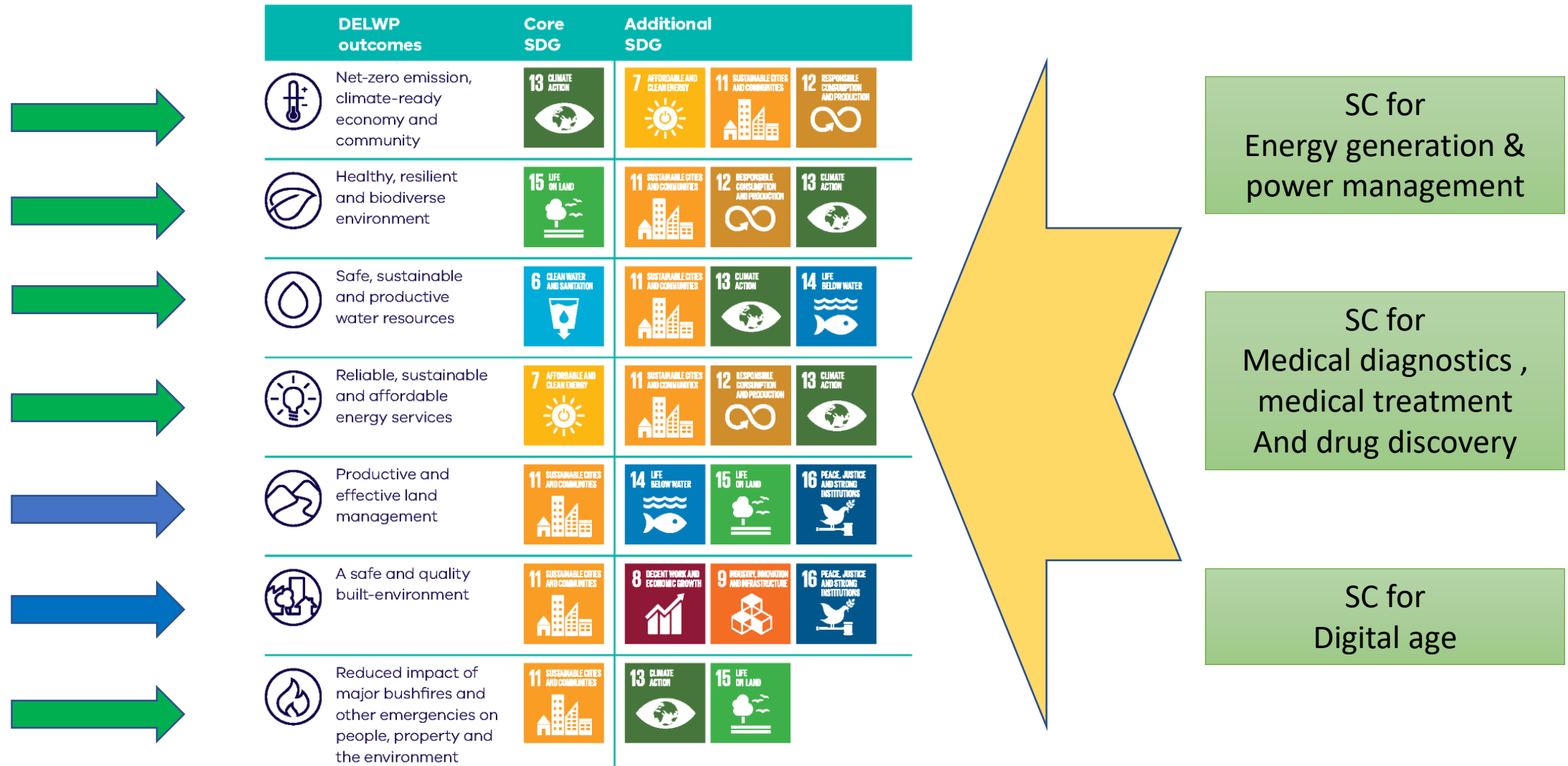


# UN Sustainable Development Goals – 17 in total





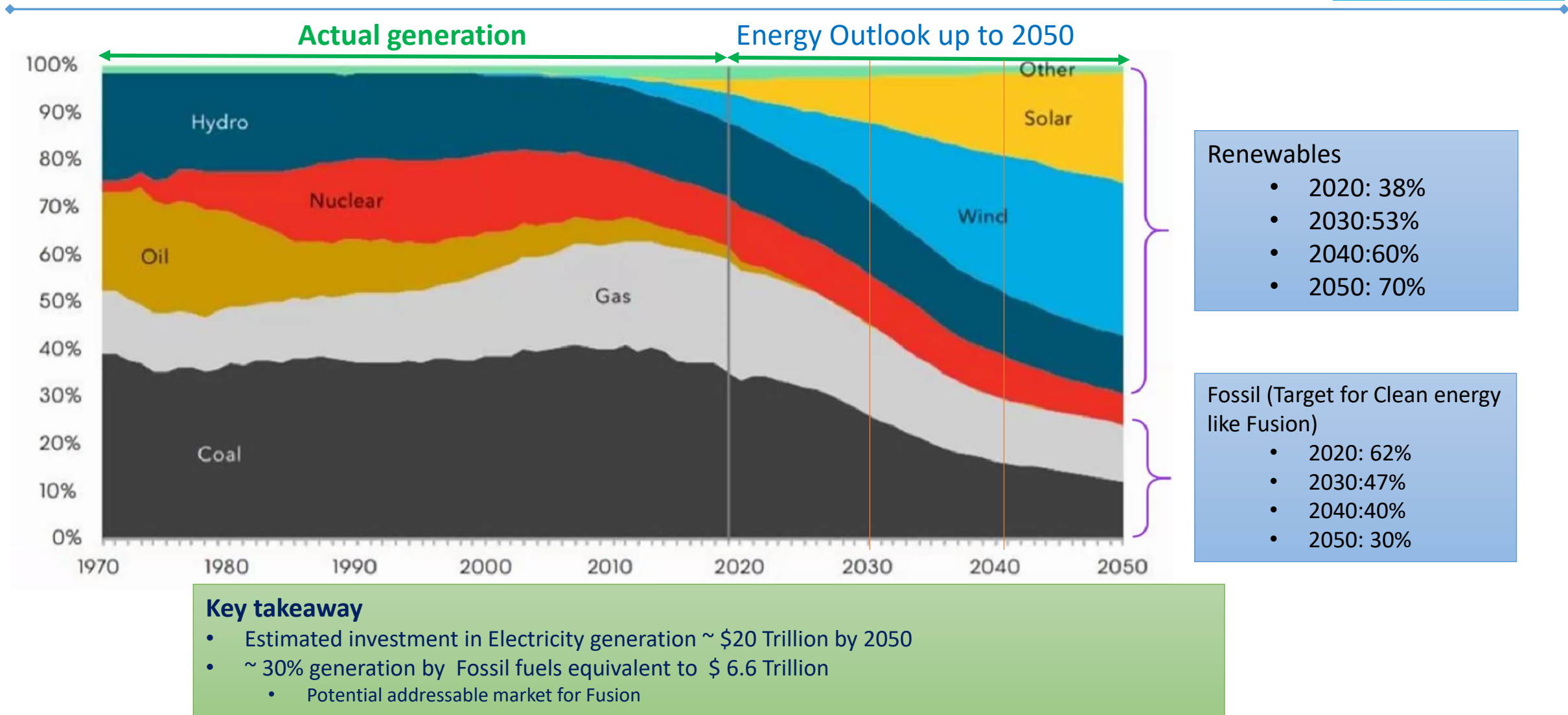
# Superconducting Technologies and the SDG goals





# Estimated Global Electricity Generation Mix

New Energy Outlook 2020 report by Bloomberg (2020)



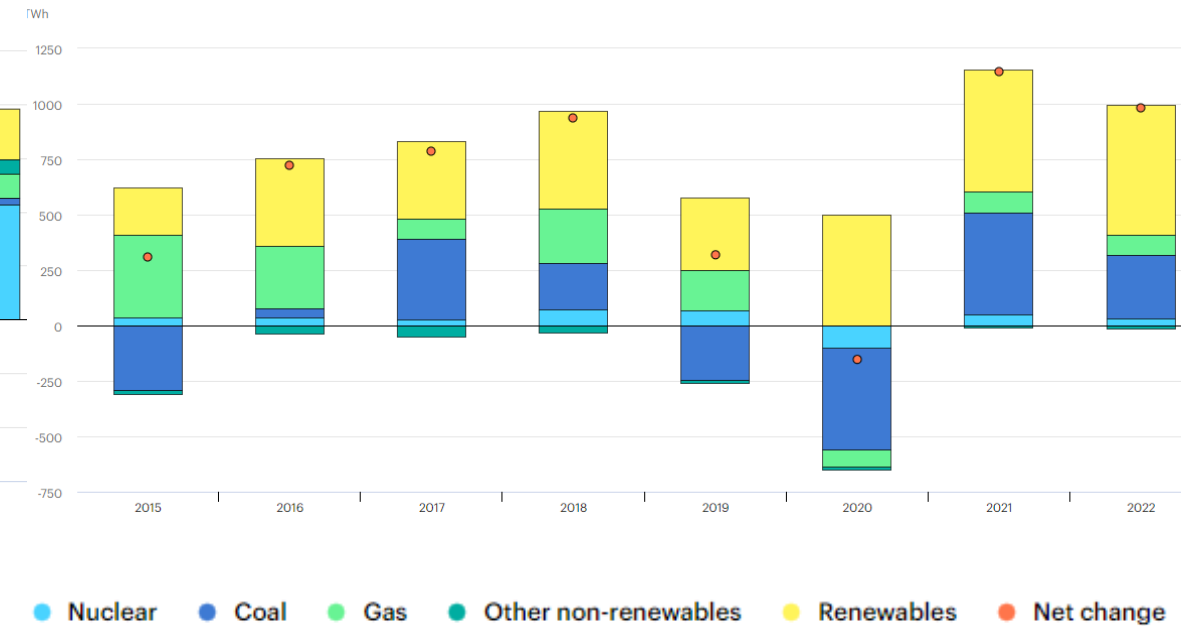


# Global change on electricity demand vs generation 2015-2022

Global changes in electricity demand (TWh), 2015-2022



Global changes in electricity generation (TWh), 2015-2022



## Key takeaway

- Steady increase in demand for electricity
- Use of Fossil is on the increase and supply from renewables are not increasing fast enough

<https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/charts/global-changes-in-electricity-demand-2015-2022>



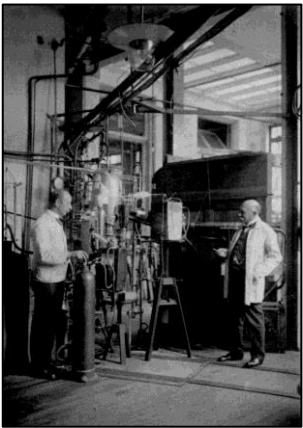
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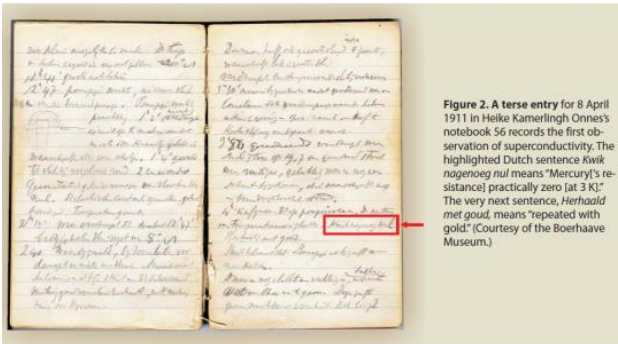
# From discovery by accident to commercialisation



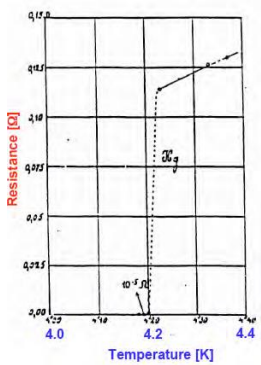
Heike Kamerlingh Onnes (1853-1926)  
*"Door meten tot weten"*  
*("Through measurement to knowledge")*



1908 Kamerlingh Onnes  
Liquefies Helium

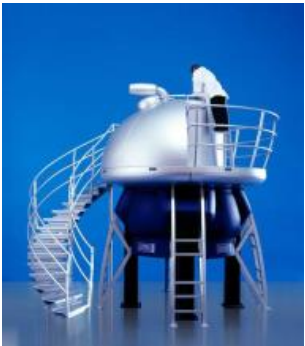
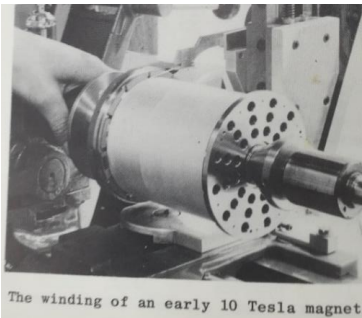
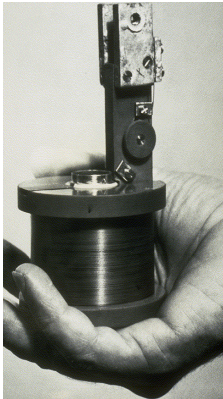


8 April 1911  
"The Resistance of Mercury at helium temperatures"  
0.034 W at 13.9 K, 0.0013 W at 4.3K and less than  
**0.0001 W at 3K**



Oct 1911 (Reported in Nov 1911)  
"On the sudden change in the rate at which the resistance of mercury disappears"

## Humble beginnings ... Oxford Instruments in commercial Superconducting magnet technology – 4 Tesla



























Courtesy of Oxford Instruments

### Global SC magnets delivered:

- >20,000 magnets (Research & NMR Magnets) (2-4K)
- >40,000 MRI (4 K)
- Total estimated SC market ~ £ 8 Billion (2021)



# > 25 Nobel Prizes - SC, Quantum & Cryogenics

 1913 Superconductivity	 1922 Mass spectrograph	 1943 Magnetic moment of the proton	 1944 NMR of isolated atoms & molecules, using molecular beams	 1952 Nuclear magnetic resonance in condensed matter	 1955 Precision measurement of the electron's magnetic moment
 1970 Antiferromagnetic, ferrimagnetism	 1972 Theory of superconductivity	 1973 Superconducting tunnel junctions	 1977 Theory of magnetic & disordered systems	 1982 Critical phenomena, phase transitions	 1985 Quantized Hall effect
 1987 High-Tc superconductivity	 1991 High resolution Fourier-transform & two-dimensional	 1996 Superfluidity of helium-3	 1998 Fractional quantum hall effect, theory & experiment	 2002 NMR spectroscopy of biological macromolecules in solution	 2003 Type-II superconductors, superfluidity
 2003 Magnetic resonance imaging	 2007 for the discovery of Giant Magnetoresistance	 2010 for ground-breaking experiments regarding the two-dimensional material graphene	 2012 for ground-breaking experimental methods that enable measuring & manipulation of individual quantum systems	 2013 for the theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, & which recently was confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS & CMS experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider	 2016 for theoretical discoveries of topological phase transitions & topological phases of matter"
 2017 for developing cryo-electron microscopy for the high-resolution structure determination of biomolecules in solution	<div> <b>Key takeaway</b>            Research using magnetic field, cryogenics &amp; Quantum enabling new discoveries &amp; 25 Nobel Prizes in Science &amp; Medicine         </div>				



# Innovation in Superconducting applications



Courtesy of NHMFL



## Research & Medical Magnets

- Medical- MRI, NMR , Proton Beam Therapy
- Basic Research- Physical sciences RM
- HEP- Beamlines/Accelerates/ Detectors
- Fusion – LTS & HTS
  - UHF >25T (LTS+HTS)
  - 5T-20T >20K (HTS)
  - Bench Top Applications (LTS+HTS)
    - 0.5-5T >20K-77K



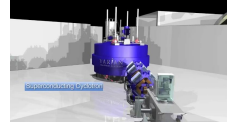
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Courtesy of TE



Courtesy of CERN



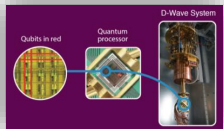
Courtesy of Varian

## Industrial applications

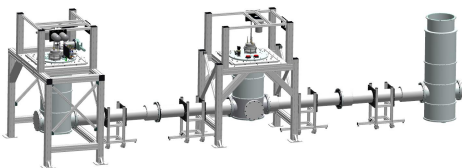
- Non-destructive Testing
- Inductive Heaters
- Magnetic separation
- Crystal Growth

## Microelectronics

- Quantum Computing
- Faster Computers
- Power Electronics

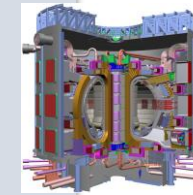


Courtesy of Dwave



QMICS Cryolink @ 35 mK for SC cable  
Courtesy of Oxford Instruments and WMI

## Superconducting (SC) Applications



Courtesy of ITER

## Power & Energy Applications

- Fault Current Limiters (FCL)
- Transmission Cables
- SC Magnet Energy Storage
- Generators (Wind/Utility)
- Transformers
- Motors
- Synchronous Condensers



Courtesy of Envision



Courtesy of AMSC



Courtesy of Nexans

## Communications

- Satellite channels
- Wireless devices
- Antennae

## Defence & Security

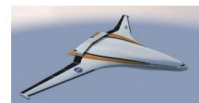
- Detectors/Sensors
- Rail gun
- Degaussing cables

## Transportation

- Electric planes
- Maglev
- Ships
- Rocket propulsion



Chuo Shinkansen  
Maglev train



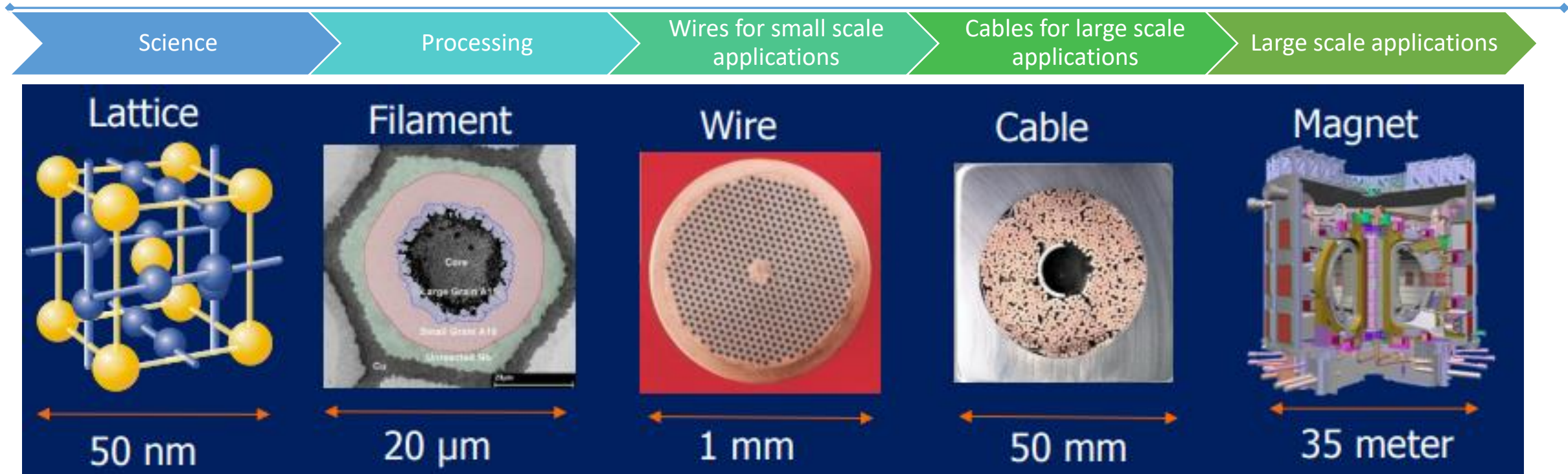
NASA N3-X



# Superconducting materials



# From nanomaterials to SC applications



How to make performing 10 A - multi-kA conductors that guarantee the magnet not to quench or degrade ?

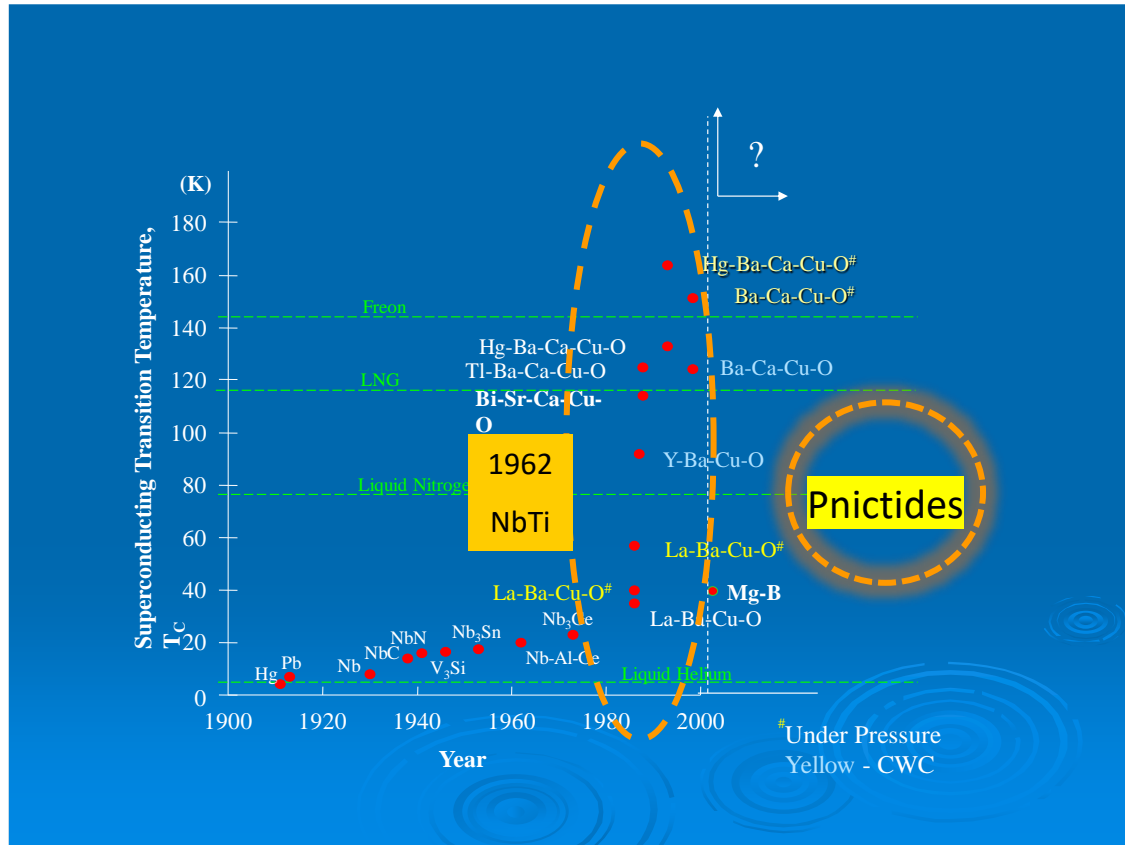
- Need to understand and control the entire production chain
  - An underdeveloped area of research, but essential to avoid surprises and degraded magnet performance
  - Striking examples exist of missing understanding putting large projects at risk or make them expensive

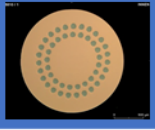
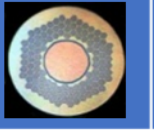
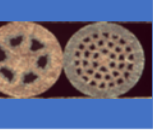
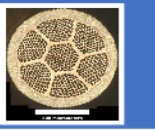
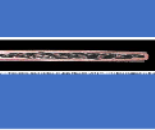
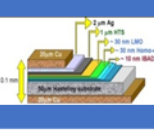
## Key takeaway

Huge progress in translating new innovation in smart materials into large and advanced applications



# Superconducting materials

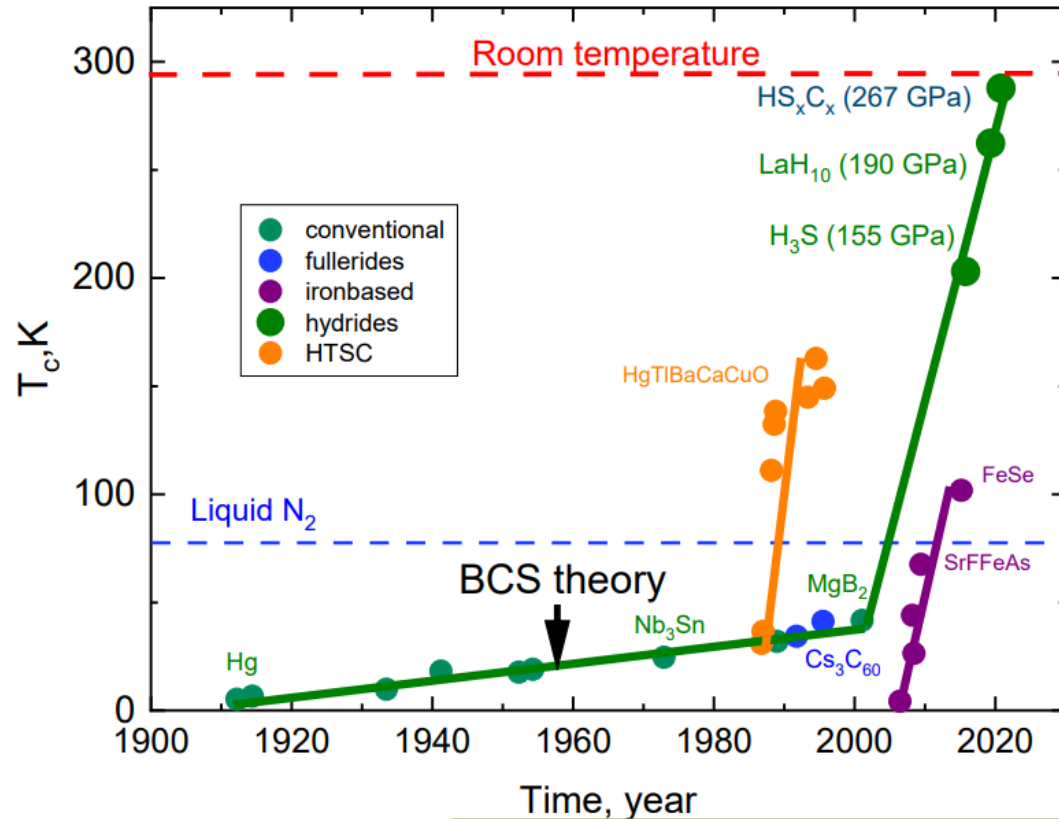


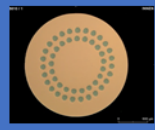
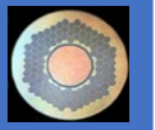
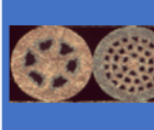

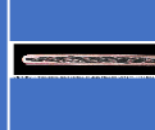
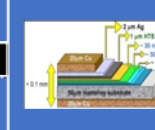
						
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Production Supply	Mature	Mature	Prototype-R&D	Prototype-R&D	Prototype-R&D	Prototype-R&D



# Superconducting materials – Performance and cost

Mikhail Eremets Plenary: A Path Towards Room Temperature – ASC 2020- 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020



						
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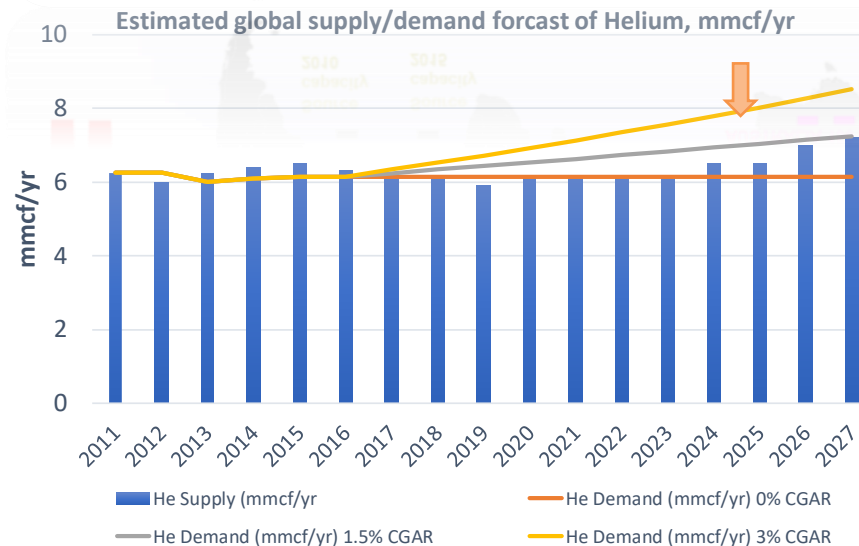
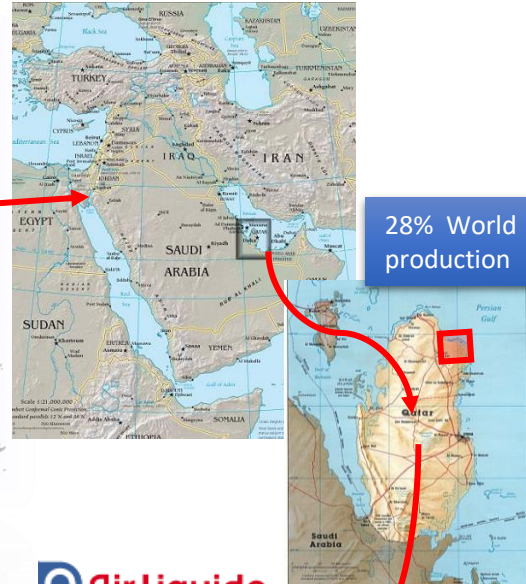
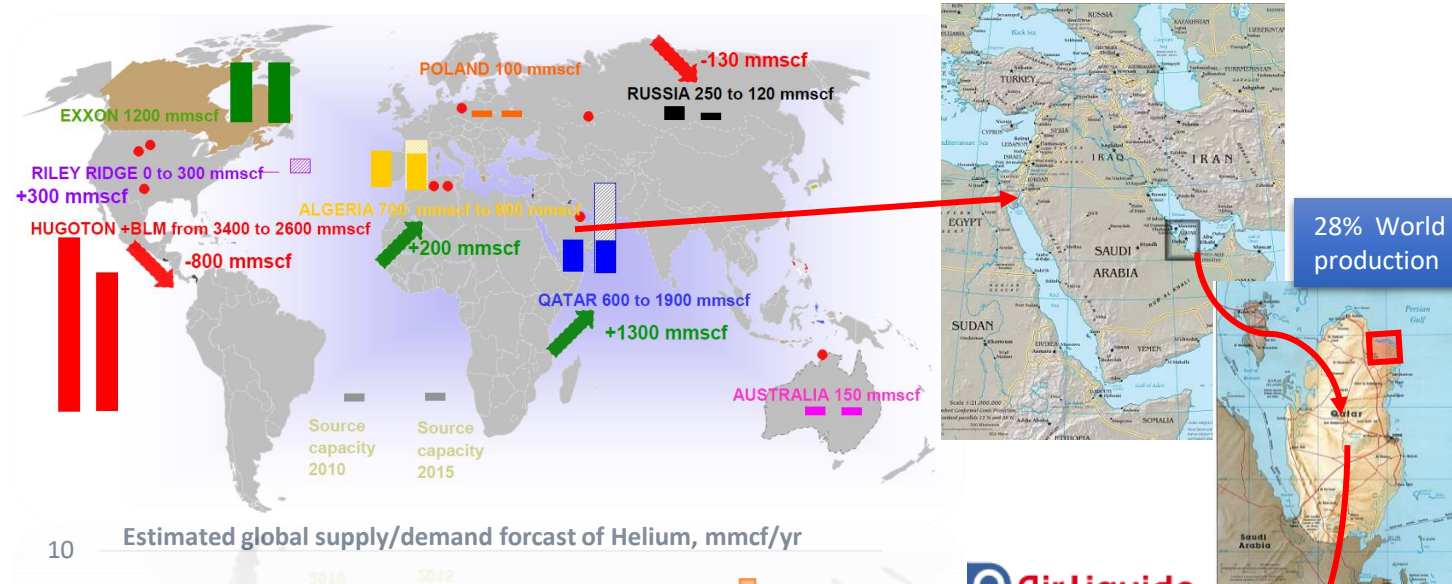
## Key takeaway –

- LTS wires are the dominant material for SC applications (MRI, NMR, HEP, RM).
- HTS introduction will extend SC use and lead to new applications @ 20-77 K
- Reducing cost of HTS is critical for commercial applications



# Major and Global Helium shortage (April 2020)

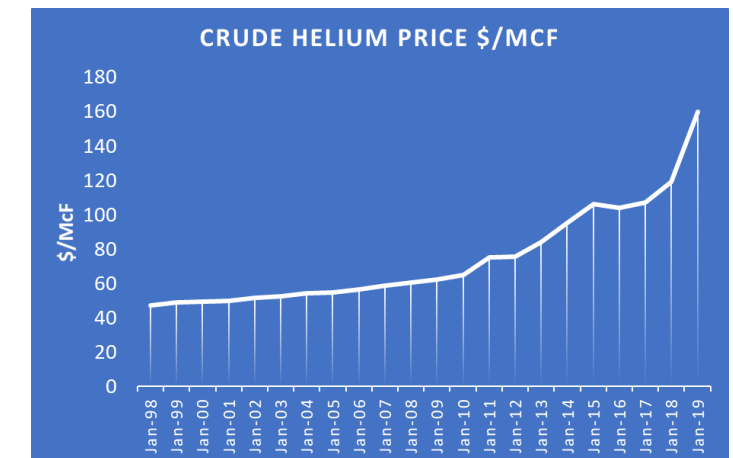
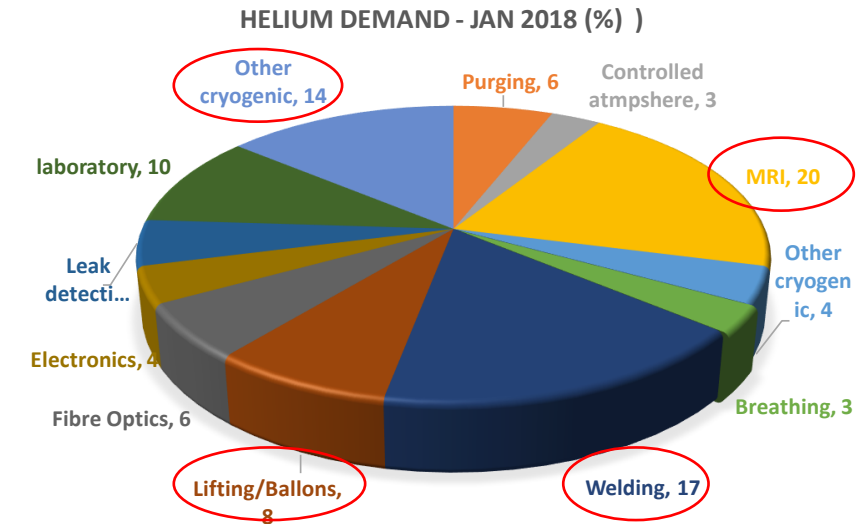
## ... Need new thinking on cryogenics



**Air Liquide**



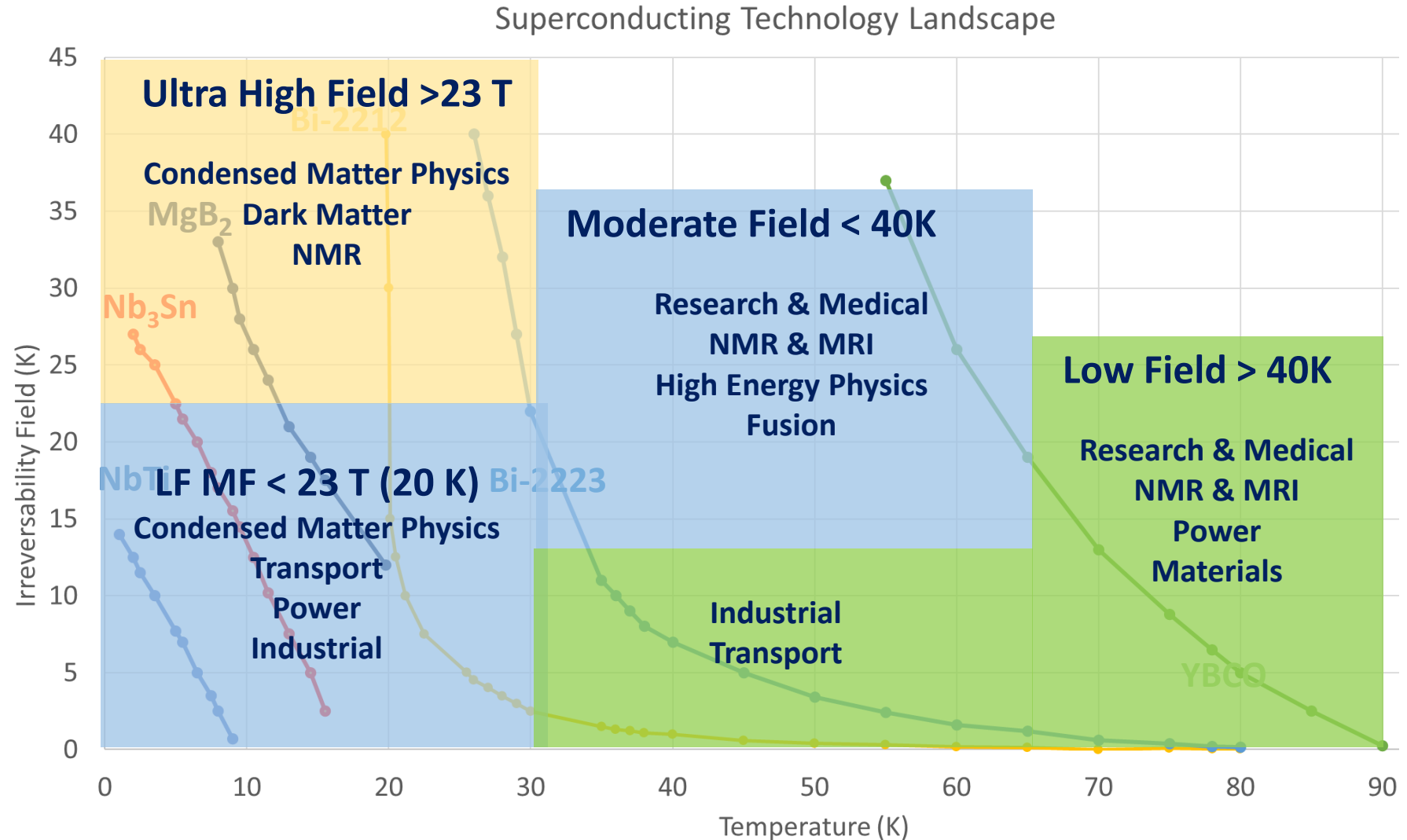
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# High Temperature Superconductors (HTS) will lead to new market opportunities and enable new high field applications

- HTS will enable
  - HF systems >25 T
  - MF systems operating @20-40K
  - LF systems operating @ 40K
  - wide bore systems
  - compact magnets
  - Simplified cryogenics > 4K
  - Reduced footprint
  - Reduced overall cost





# Market analysis



# Expected Emerging SC markets by 2030

- Fusion
- Electric planes
- SC magnetic storage
- Renewables
- Compact and portable HF magnet systems for Physical and Life Sciences
- SC quantum computing - Fast growing application
- Superconducting Electronics
- Medical diagnostics and therapy
- Industrial and Transport

> \$10 Billion by 2030



# Opportunities

## *Nanotechnology Applications*



# Opportunities ...

## Superconducting magnets for nanotechnology and materials research

### Optics/DC

### Optics/RF

### New materials and new science

Courtesy of Oxford Instruments



Courtesy of RKUI-ISIS

Courtesy of Lancaster University

1.5-300 K

7 T

8-18 T



Courtesy of Oxford Instruments

< 10 mK

Up to 16 T



Courtesy of Bruker

2- 4 K

Up to 32 T



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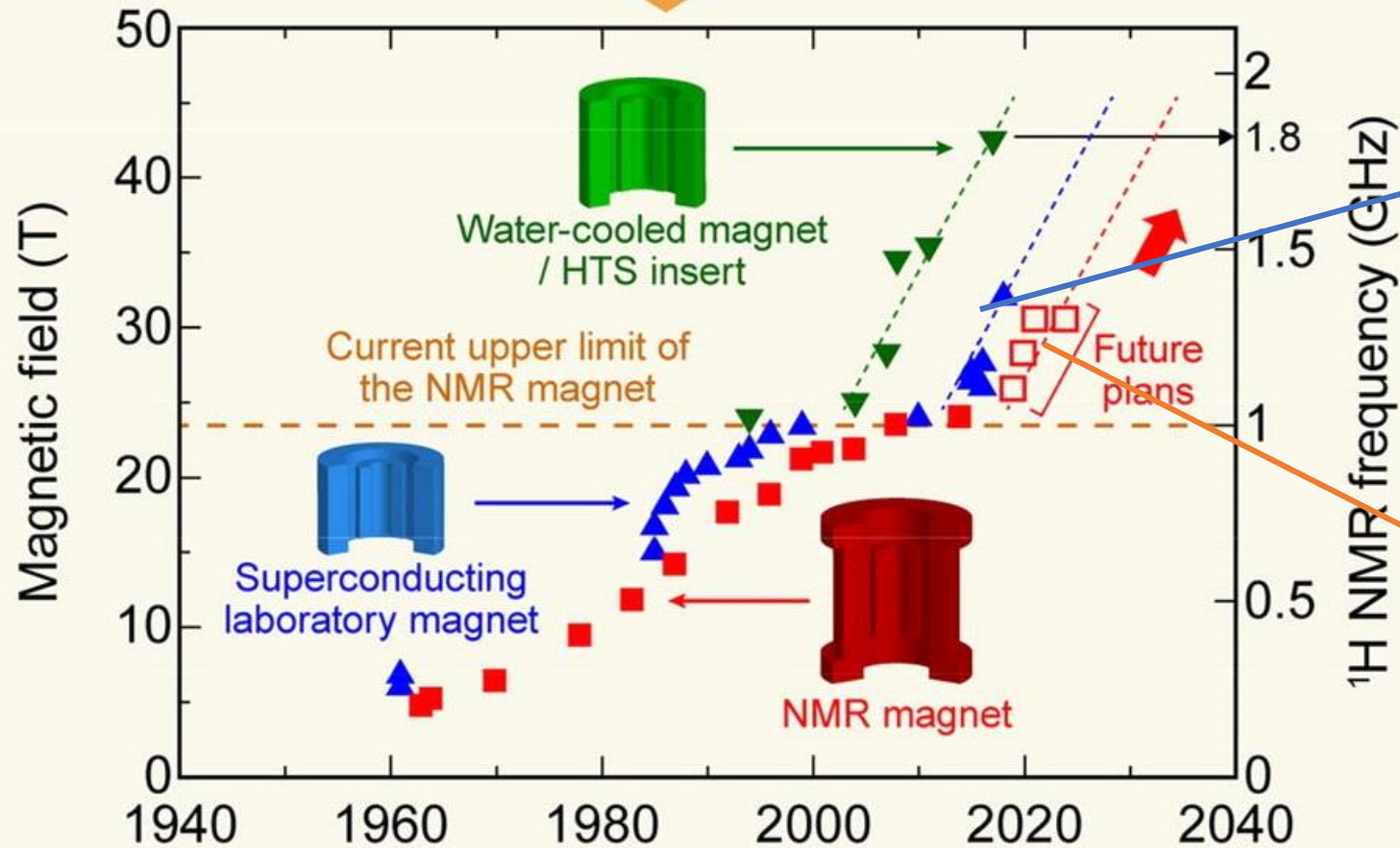
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**Key takeaway** – Superconducting magnets are critical for materials research and discovery for physical and life sciences



# SC magnet development timeline and high field

1986: Discovery of high temperature superconductors (HTS)



Courtesy of NHMFL



Courtesy of Bruker

**Key takeaway** – New era of HF magnets > 20 T using HTS leading the way to compact systems

SOURCE: Maeda H., Yanagisawa Y. "Future prospects for NMR Magnets: A Perspective". Journal of Magnetic Resonance 306 (2019) 80-85



# Opportunities

*Quantum applications*



# Quantum Computing – Superconducting Qubits

> 6 B \$ commitment over the last 2 years

## Superconducting Qubit Devices

- **Commercial Leaders:**

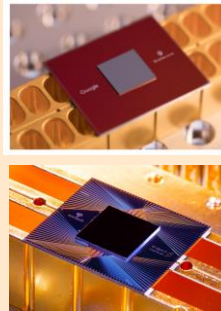
D-Wave, IBM, Google, Rigetti, Quantum Circuits Inc, Intel

- **Academic Leaders:**

UCSB, UC Berkley, Yale, ETH Zurich, TU Delft, MIT

## Google unveiled the world's largest quantum computer processor to date

- Dubbed **Bristlecone**, it's a **72-qubit** gate-based superconducting system



Google Research Blog

## IBM demonstrated a 50 Qubit Quantum Computer

- Already providing users with 20 Qubit comp



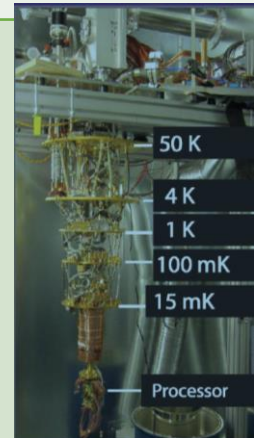
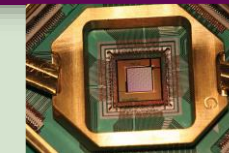
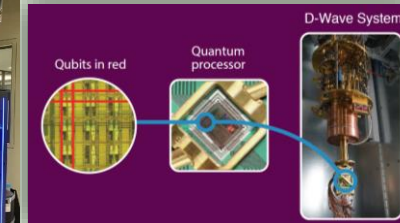
Courtesy of IBM



## The D-Wave 2X system implements a quantum annealing algorithm



- D-Wave systems are being used, for example, by Lockheed Martin, Google, NASA, & the University of Southern California.

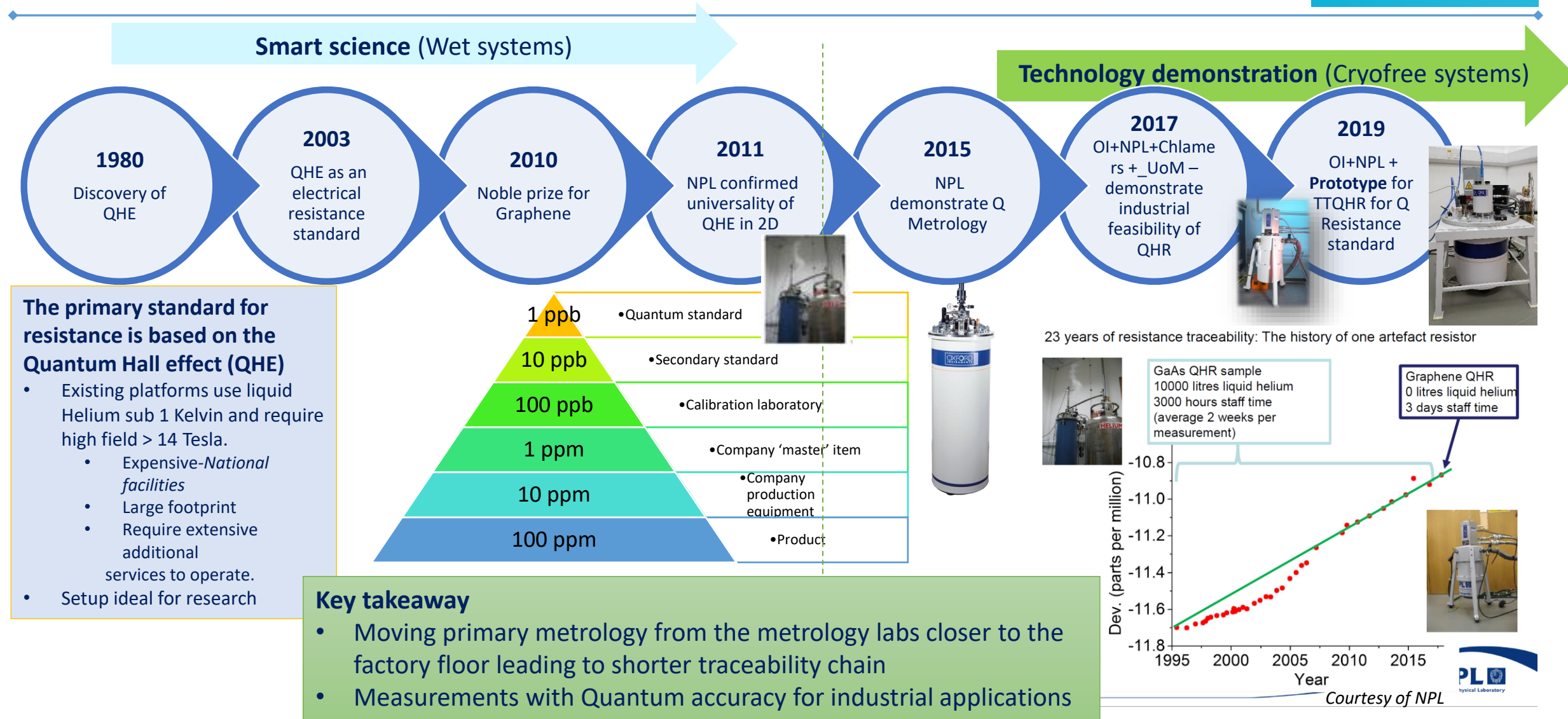


With 1000 qubits, the D-Wave 2X system can search through  $2^{1000}$  possible solutions

**Key takeaway – SC qubits leading the way towards Quantum computers and embraced by big industrials**

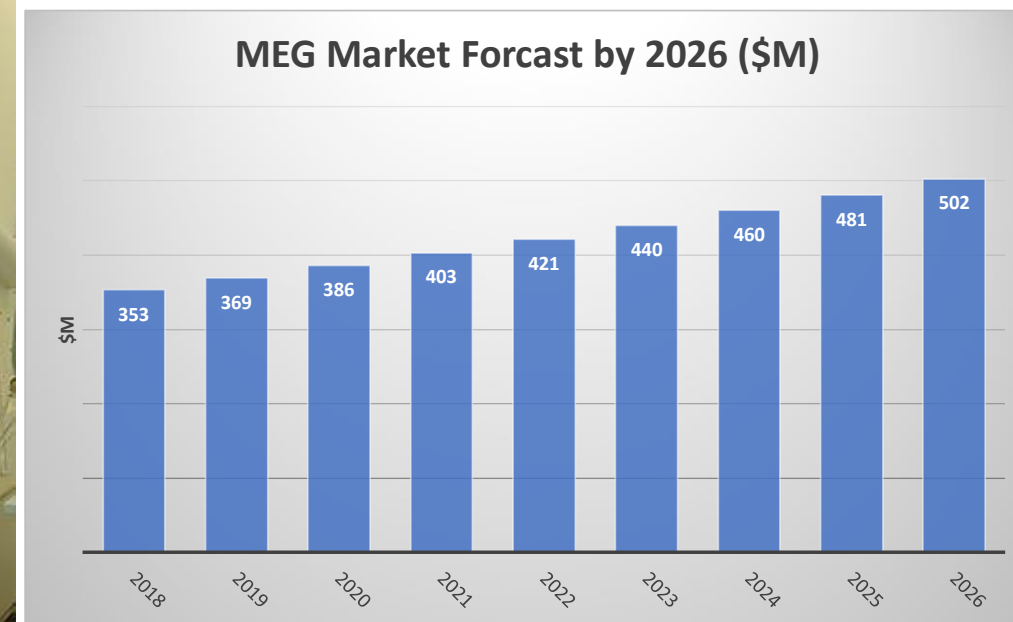
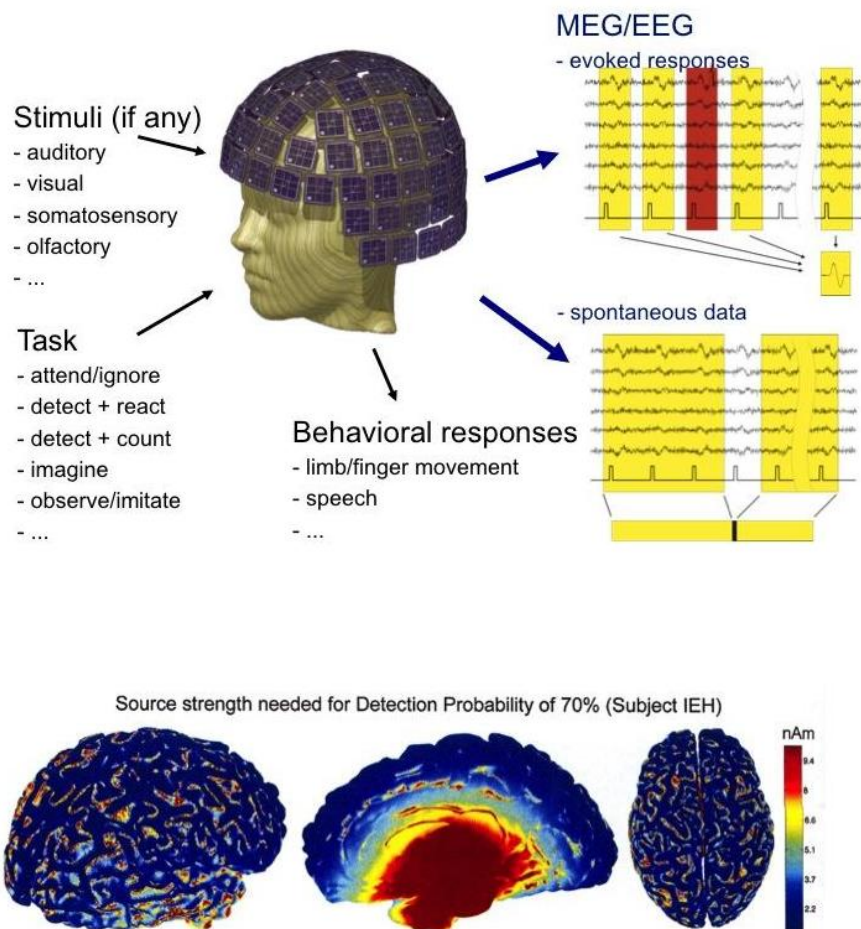


# Quantum metrology – smart science to industrial applications





# Quantum sensing - Magnetoencephalography (MEG)

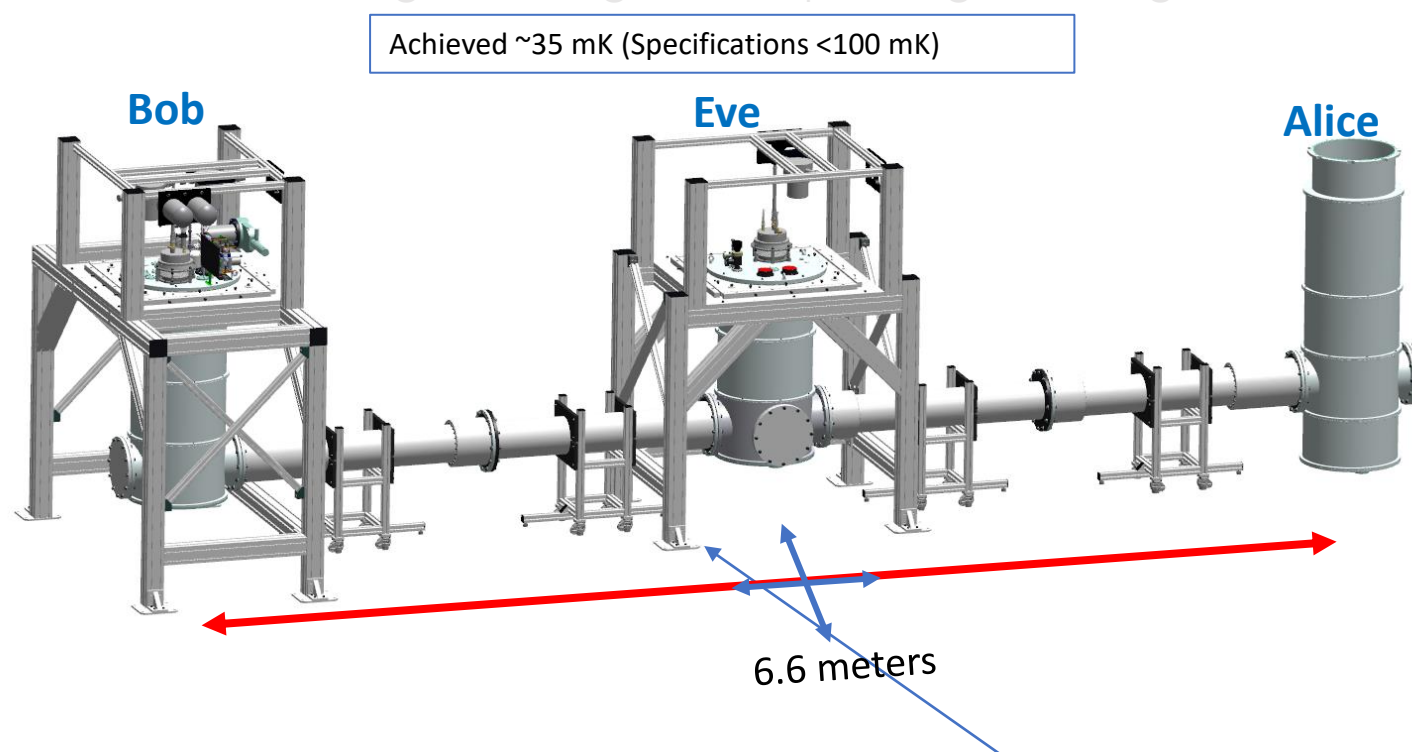


**Key takeaway** – SC electronic devices enabling a new class of advanced tools for health care with a decent market in 5 years from now



# Q-LAN for Quantum Communications & Computing Scale up

- New innovations required Q Computing/Communications/Sensing
  - Quantum local area network (Q-LAN) - Cryogenic link between two dilution refrigerators
    - Enabling clustering of multiple fridges for large number of Qubits



**Key takeaway** – SC cables/wiring will enable advanced communications and transmission solution for advanced quantum solutions



# Opportunities

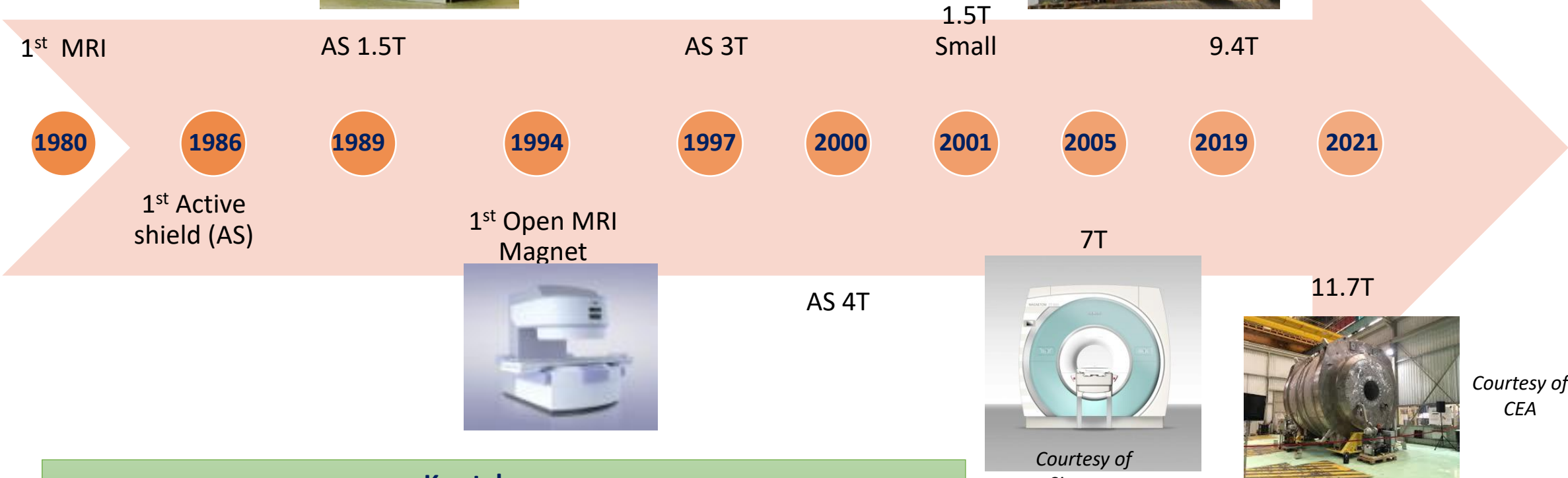
*Health care – MRI, NMR , Proton Therapy*



# MRI Magnets Development - Health Sector



- All using LTS Materials
- >4000/yr. production
- >£ 5 Billion Euro/yr. market



**Key takeaway**  
MRI scanning machines are commercial and > 70% of SC applications



# New High Field NMR with HTS



NIMS-Jastec  
LTS+HTS – NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn &  
ReBCO



Oxford Instruments  
Only LTS – NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn



Bruker Biospin  
LTS +HTS – NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, ReBco

## Key takeaway

New class of NMR devices impacting research and drug discovery for many difficult conditions and illness. E.g. Cancer, Dementia, Brain strokes, Heart conditions, etc

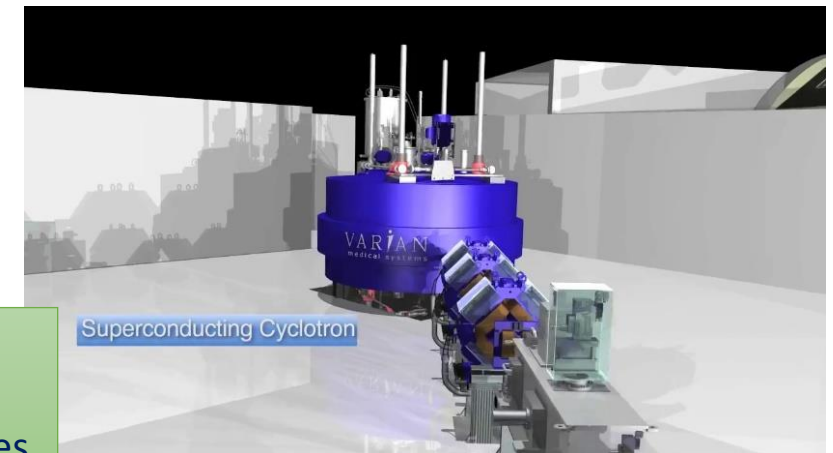
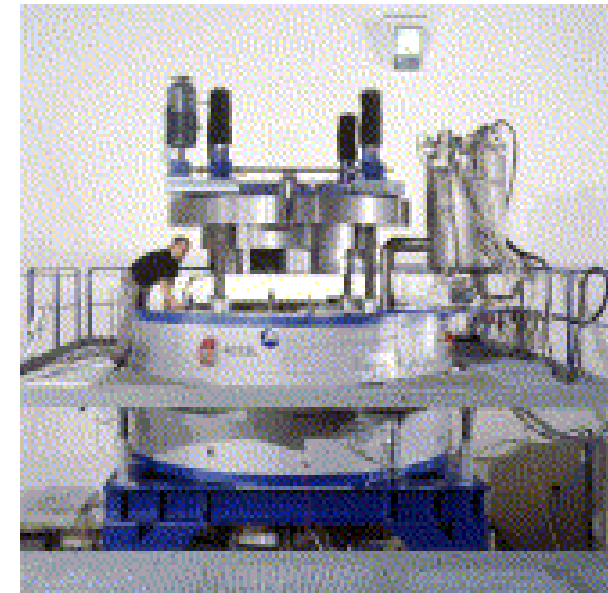


# Medical Therapy

Commercial accelerators for proton therapy: cyclotrons (by IBA and Varian/Accel) and synchrotrons (by Mitsubishi and Hitachi).



Now LTS  
Plans for HTS



## Key takeaway

- Will provide step change in medical care and improve quality of life for so many
- Potential to be very large commercial market with high field and compact devices

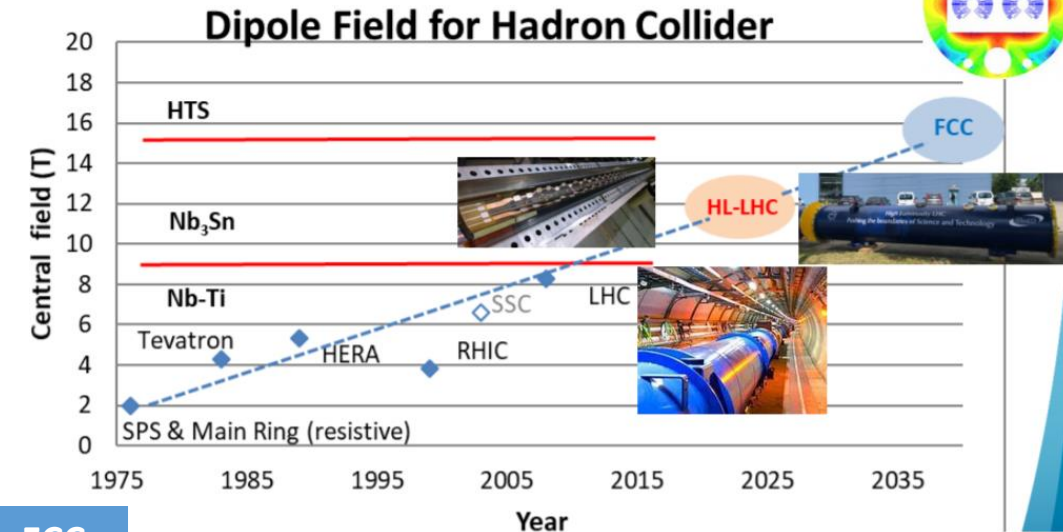
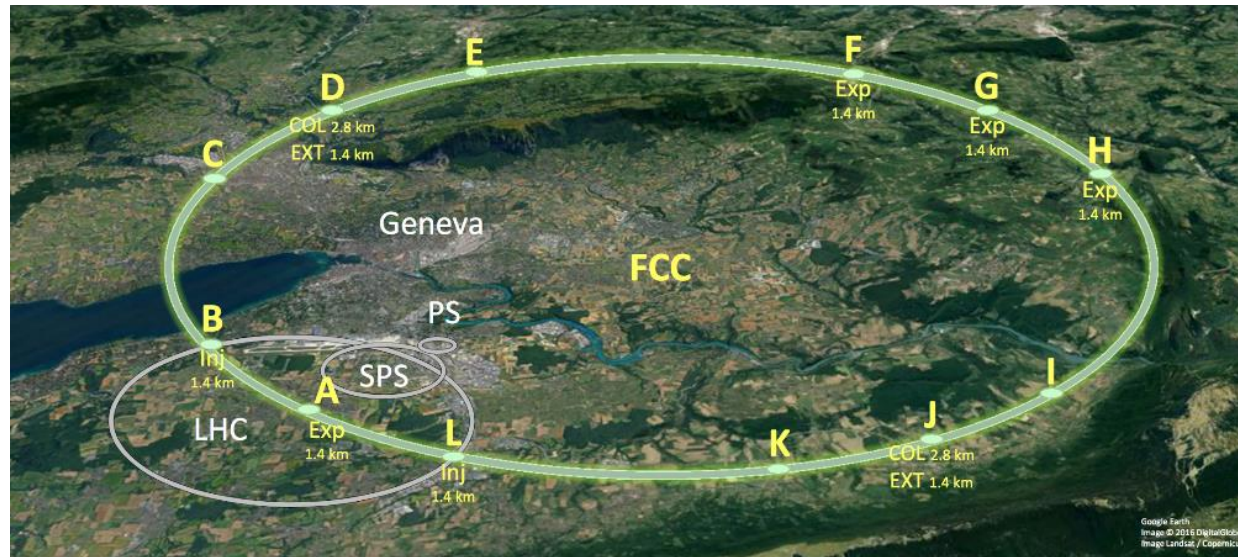


# Opportunities

*Future High Energy Physics colliders with SC – EU, China, Japan*



# FCC – SC for future colliders – CERN (>20B Euro) – *Courtesy of CERN*



## Challenges

- High  $J_c$  material
- Cost
- Length
- Operation at >16 T
- Materials availability

	LHC	FCC
Circumference (km)	26.7	97.5
Dipole field (T)	8.33	16
C.o.M. energy (TeV)	14	100

## Key takeaway and Impact on HTS

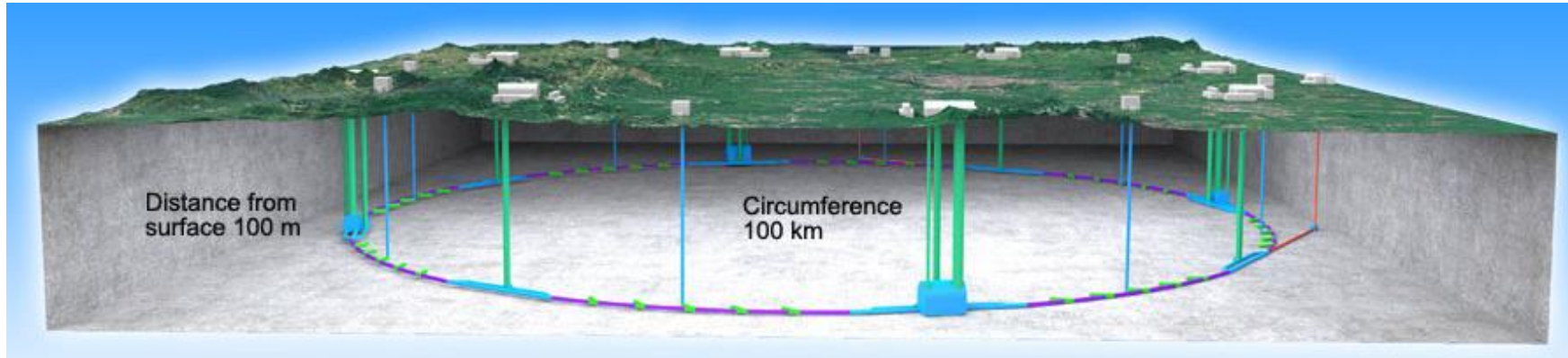
- Large and long term projects
- Not enough to fast track HTS deployment and cost reduction
- Critical in developing & demonstrating performance of new SC materials & technologies

## Using

- LTS for coils
  - NbTi
  - Nb3Sn
- HTS for Coils
  - YBCO
  - Bi-2212
- MTS for links
  - MgB2



# Super Proton Proton Collider (SPPC) - China



- **Using Iron Based Superconductors (IBS)**
- Can operate at elevated temperatures
- 100 m of IBS conductor has been tested
- Cost ~ \$5B

## Baseline design

- Tunnel circumference: 100 km
- Dipole magnet field: 12 T,
  - iron-based HTS technology (IBS)
  - Center of Mass energy: >70 TeV
- upgrade phase
  - Dipole magnet field: 20...24T, IBS technology
  - Center of Mass energy: >125 TeV
- Development of high-field superconducting magnet technology
  - Starting to develop required HTS magnet technology before applicable iron-based wire is available
  - ReBCO & Bi-2212 and LTS wires be used for model magnet studies and as an option for SppC:
  - stress management, quench protection, field quality control and fabrication methods

## Key takeaway

- Verification of IBS for High energy physics large scale projects will lead new commercial SC material with the potential
  - Cheap
  - High performance



# Opportunities

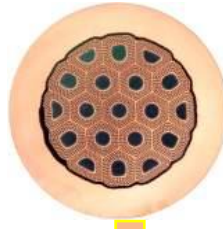
## *Fusion*



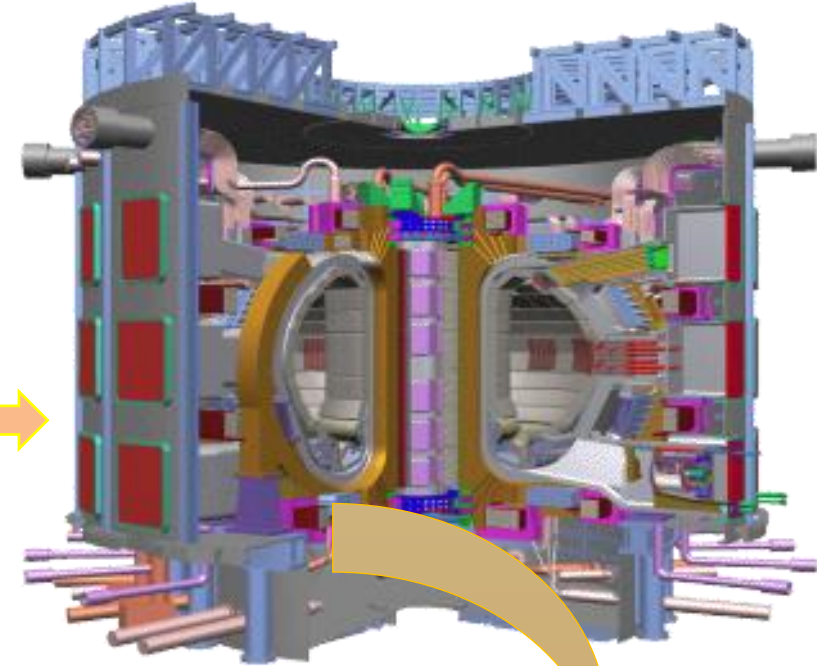
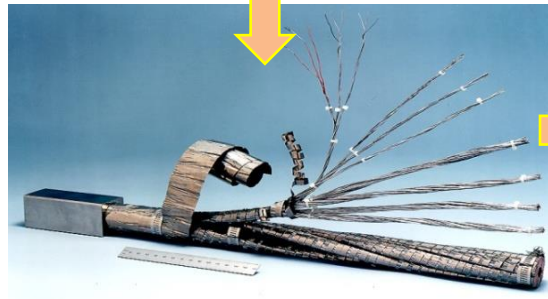
# Nuclear Fusion – ITER using LTS



0.73mm ITER LTS strand

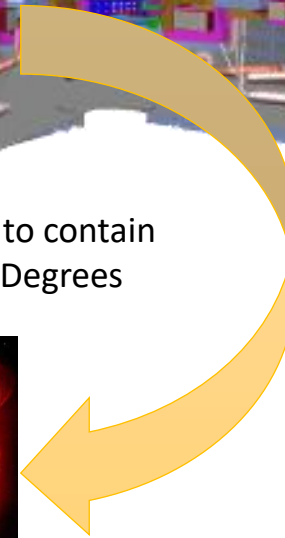
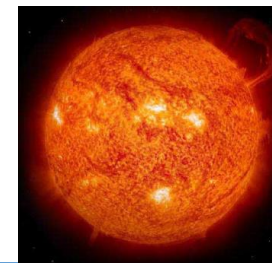


540mm cable  
(1440strands)



- **ITER strand** - new generation of LTS superconductors for energy applications
- 15B Euro development cost
- >20 yr development programme (10yr to build)
- 2027! date for 1<sup>st</sup> Plasma
- 74,000Km of superconducting wires  
(40,000 Km to circle the earth! Almost twice around the earth!)

High field Superconducting magnets to contain plasma- Sun conditions 10 Million Degrees





# Power density: Fusion vs Renewables

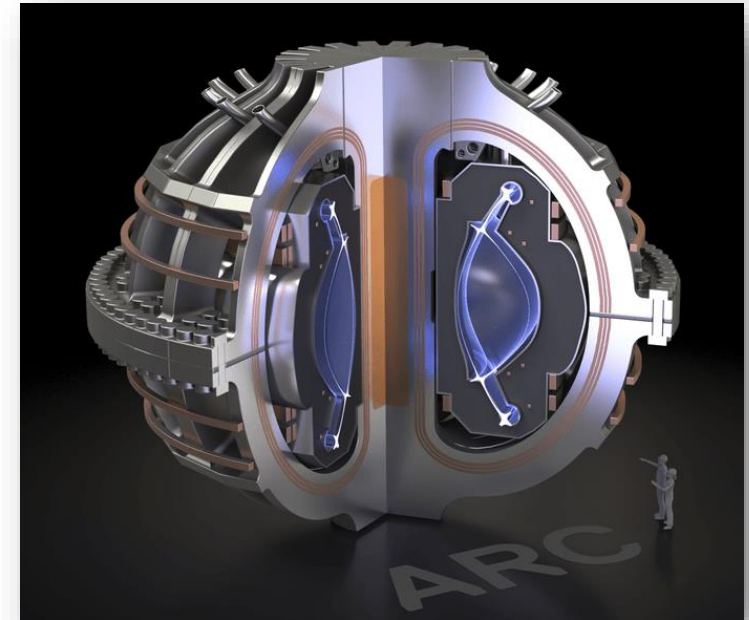
## Offshore wind



GE Haliade-X: 12 MW Turbine nacelle  
**Intermittent ~ 60 Capacity**

<https://w3.windfair.net/wind-energy/news/31919-he-haliade-x-nacelle-ore-catapult-test-site-uk-offshore-wind-turbine-large>

## Fusion

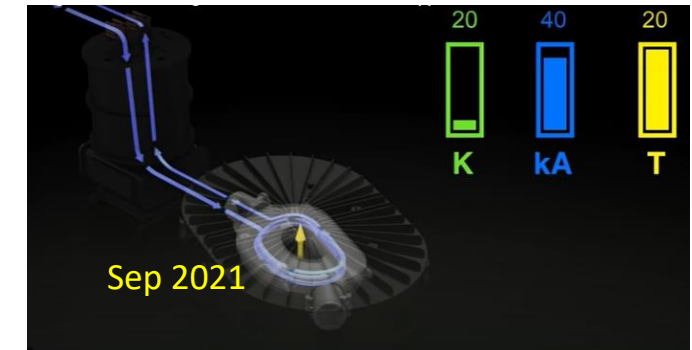
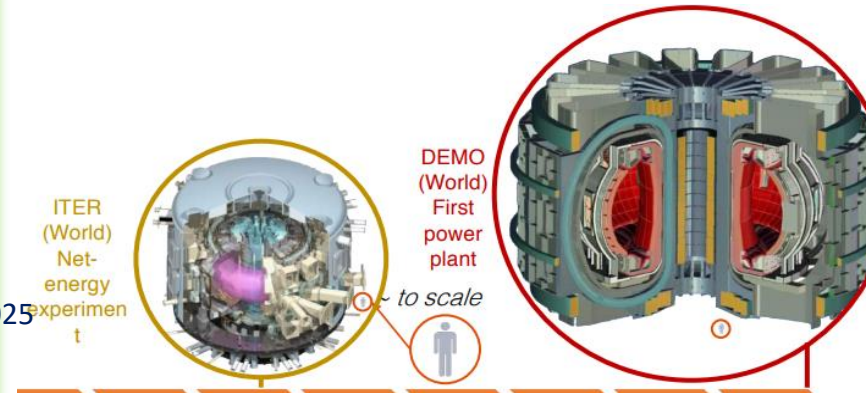
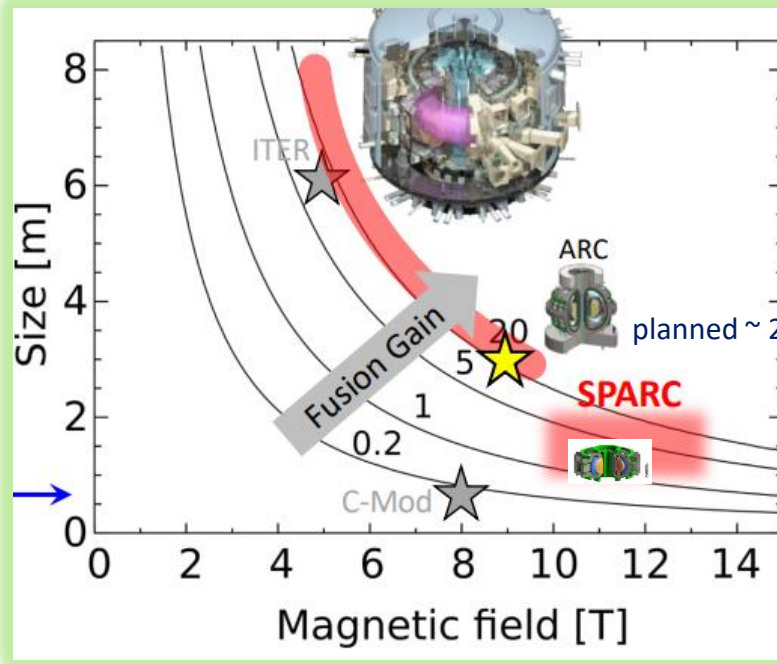


CFS ARC: 200 MWe Tokamak  
**Firm 90% Capacity**



# Future fusion devices using HTS – Led by private funds

Source -Joseph V. Minervini Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Plasma Science and Fusion Center Cambridge, MA USA



## Key takeaway – HTS impact

Fast tracking development of new power stations

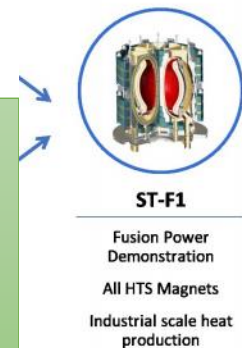
- Clean energy and environmentally friendly
- Safe power generation
- Potential for smaller fusion power devices

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/775529/contributions/3309887/attachments/1828600/2993908/Minervini-HTS-for-Fusion-WAMHTS-5.pdf>

<https://www.vtt.fi/sites/finnfusion2018/Documents/3-02%20Salmi%20Tokamak%20Energy.pdf>

Engineering & Demonstration  
2021-2025

Commercial Roll Out  
2025-2030

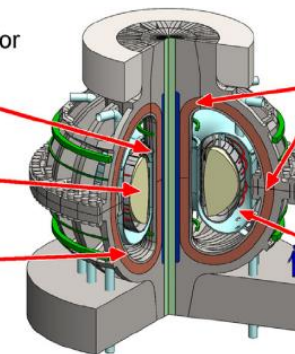


ARC Reactor

Inboard-side RF launch

Fusion power: 525 MW

TF coils:  $B_0 = 9.2T$

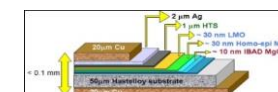
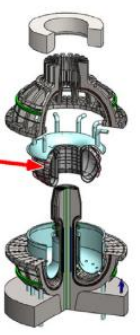


Magnet joints allow vertical maintenance

Vacuum vessel: single, replaceable component

FLiBe liquid immersion blanket

Major radius: 3.3 m



Commonwealth Fusion Systems, MIT



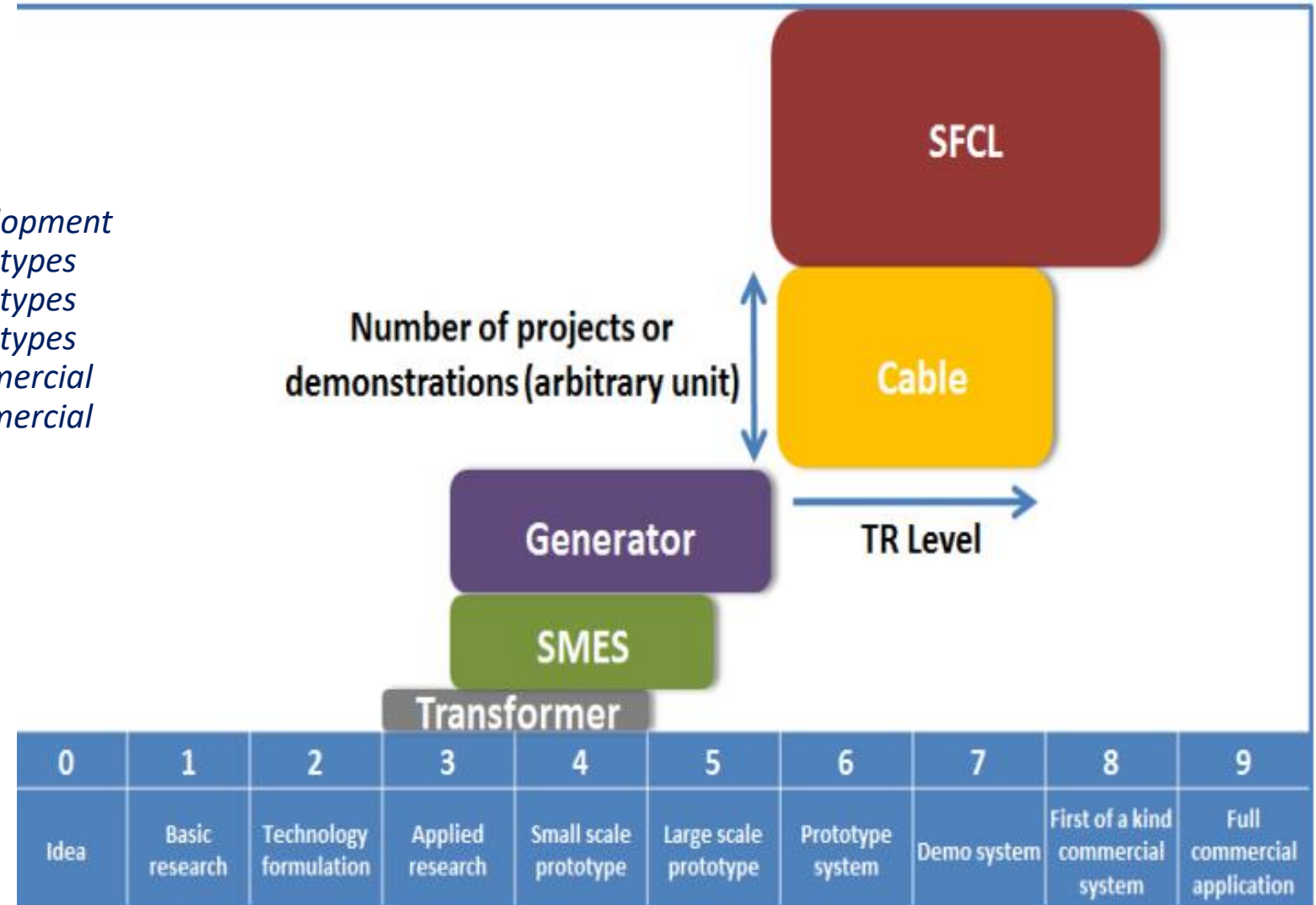
# Opportunities

## *Power and Energy with HTS*



# Power applications - Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

- |                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Transformers           | -Development |
| 2. Generators             | -Prototypes  |
| 3. Rotator for Wind Farms | -Prototypes  |
| 4. SMES                   | -Prototypes  |
| 5. SFCL                   | -Commercial  |
| 6. Transmission lines     | -Commercial  |



## Key takeaway

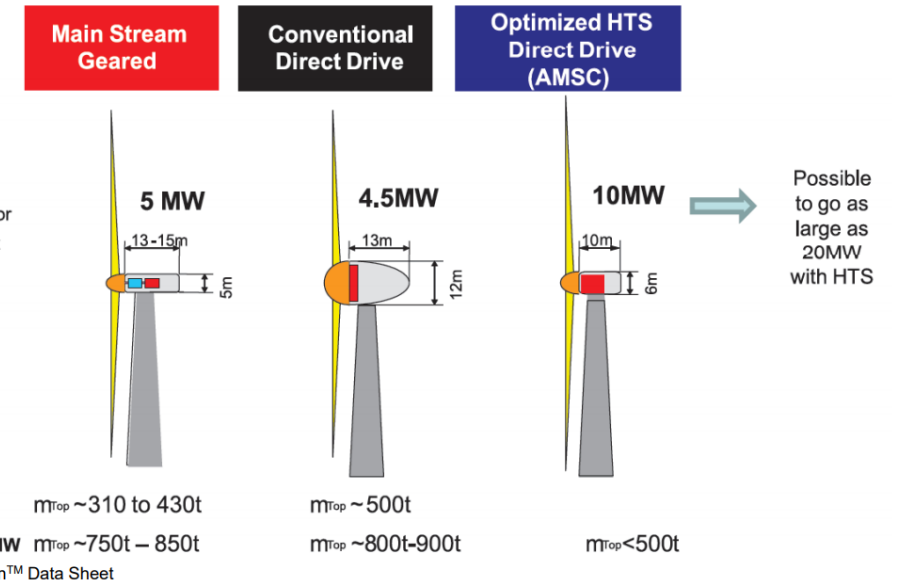
- HTS cables and SFCL are > TRL 6 and available as commercial products
- SMES and Generators are next to be commercialised



- HTS Conductor
- All roads capability
- Low cost design
- Low weight design
- Mainstream markets
  - 3.6 MW for onshore and off-shore.
- Cryostat system integration
- Cryogen free for cooling

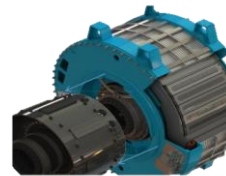
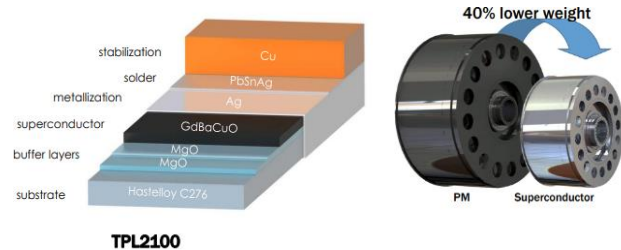


 **Horizon 2020**  
European Union Funding  
for Research & Innovation



Markus Bauer et al.  
TUE-AF-OR17-05

**THEVA**



Mass of Nacelle

+ Hub  
+ Blades

Extrapolated for 10 MW  $m_{Top} \sim 750t - 850t$

Source - Prof. M Noe- HTS Power Applications - \_CERN [Microsoft PowerPoint - noe-hts power applications-2013-04-28 \[Kompatibilitätsmodus\] \(cern.ch\)](https://indico.cern.ch/event/445667/contributions/2558522/attachments/1521011/2376146/PI7-01_Kellers_EcoSwing_final_for_release.pdf)

HTS wire with thick copper stabilization for superior electrical stability and high mechanical robustness

9 Partners from 5 countries working for a common goal

 ENVISION

 ECCO

 JE JEUMONT Electric

 DELTA ENERGY SYSTEMS

 THEVA

 SHI Cryogenics Group

 Fraunhofer

 UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE

 DNV-GL

## Key takeaway

- More MW power per footprint –
  - reduced in volume by 25%
  - Reduced weight by 40%
- HTS current density > 100 x Cu leading to hF and low energy loss
- Retrofitting existing infrastructure with enhanced generation

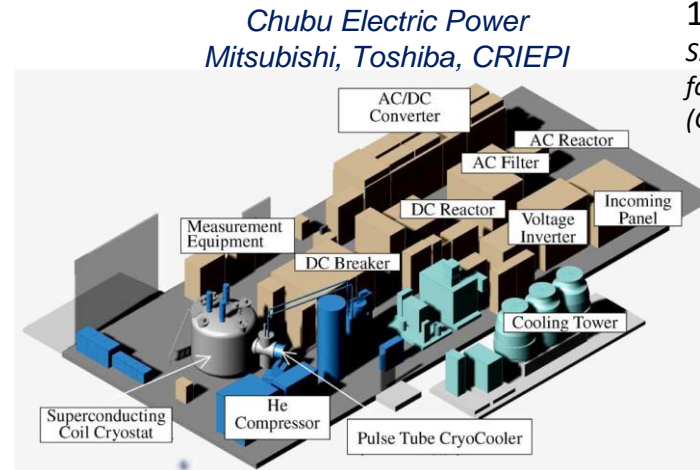


# Energy storage and power transmission and distribution



2014

**Ampacity** ReBCO tape FCL 12kV 2.3kA  
protecting superconducting cable in Essen city grid



10 MVA/1 s SMES at Kameyama field test, in Japan.  
S. Nagaya et al., "The state of the art of the development of SMES for bridging instantaneous voltage dips in Japan," *Cryogenics (Guildf)*, vol. 52, no. 12, pp. 708–712, Dec. 2012.



Field test of 500m long HTS cable (Furukawa Electric CRIEPI (Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry) & Super-GM (Engineering Research Association for Superconductive Generation Equipment & Materials) 2005

## Key takeaway – HTS Impact on Power Applications:

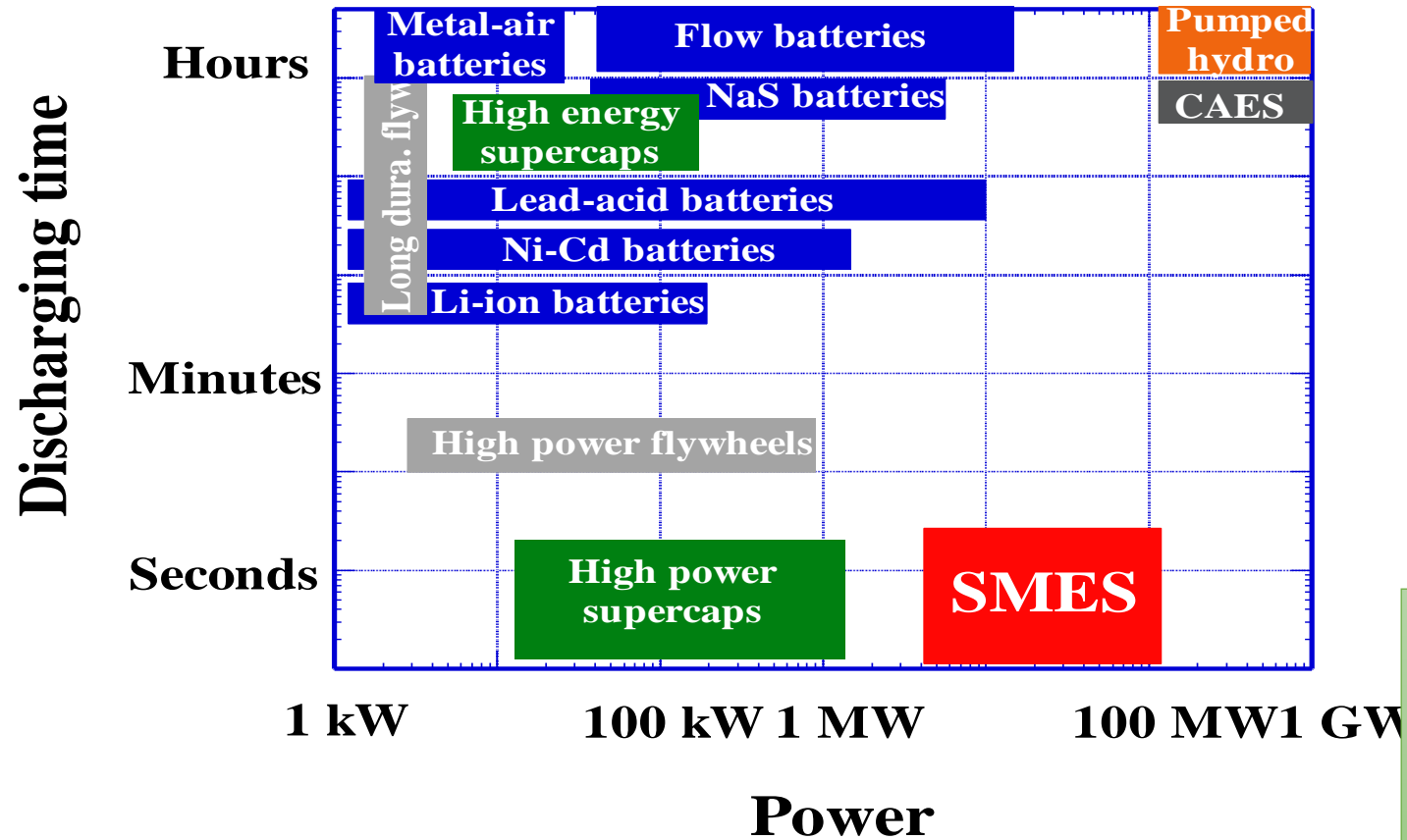
- New technology
- Improved energy efficiency
- Higher power density
- Higher power quality
- Essential for decarbonisation and zero emission targets





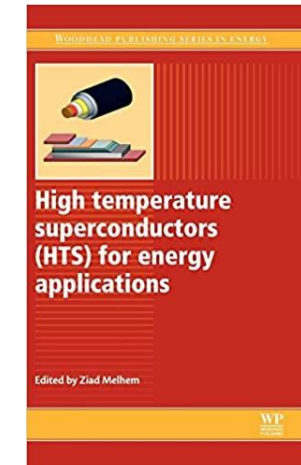
# Discharging time versus power for various energy-storing devices

*www.electricitystorage.org*



## Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage

Pascal Tixador



Publisher : Woodhead-Elsevier  
Editor: Ziad Melhem  
Date 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 2011

### Key takeaway

- SMES has superior performance vs other technologies
- Main barrier cost!
- SMES will be critical for Power conditioning



# Superconducting Cables (>20 completed)

Field test of 500m long HTS cable (Furukawa Electric CRIEPI (Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry) & Super-GM (Engineering Research Association for Superconductive Generation Equipment and Materials) 2005

Cable at Holbrook,  
Long Island USA,  
operational 2009



*Note the  
elevation and  
the corners!*





# HTS transmission cables > 70

**Table 1: HTS Cable Projects in the United States**

Project	Long Island 2	HYDRA Phase 2 <sup>1</sup>	HYDRA Phase 3 <sup>2</sup>	US Navy DC Cable
Location	Long Island, NY, USA	Yonkers, NY, USA	Chicago, IL, USA	Florida State University
Site	Holbrook Substation	Granite Hill-Rockview	Chicago downtown area	Center for Advanced
Status	Abandoned <sup>3</sup>	Ur. C.		
Developer	AMSC	AJ		
Utility/Host	LIPA	C.		
In-Grid Start Date	NA	2C		
End Date	LIPA originally planned to operate system indefinitely	N ter		
Type (AC or DC)	AC	AC		
Phases	3	3		
Geometry	Coaxial	Tri		
Voltage	138 kV	13		
Rated Current	2400 A <sub>nom</sub> (Cable will operate @ 800 to 900 A <sub>nom</sub> )	4C (9		
Length	600 m	17		
Fault Current	51 kA <sub>nom</sub> for 12 cycles (~140 kA <sub>nom</sub> asymmetrical)	4C		
Dielectric Design	Cold dielectric	C.		
Dielectric Material	LPP	C.		
HTS Material	YBCO fault current limiting	YE		
HTS Conductor Supplier/Fabricator	AMSC	AJ		
AC Loss	Not available	N		
Cable Fabrication	Nexans	UL		
Refrigeration	6 kW @ 65 K (advanced system proposed)	6. 4- (D		

**Table 3: HTS Cable Projects in Europe**

Project	AmpaCity	BEST PATHS	St. Petersburg
Location	Essen, Germany	Germany and Switzerland	St. Petersburg, Russia
Site	Dellbrügge and Herkules Substations	Nexans, Hannover and CERN	Tsentralnaya and RP-9 Substations
Status	Operational		
Developer	Nexans, RWE Deutschland, and KIT <sup>1</sup>		
Utility/Host	RWE Deutschland		
Start Date	March 2014 <sup>4</sup>		
End Date	~ 2016 <sup>5</sup>		
Type	AC		
Phases	3		
Geometry	Tri-axial		
Voltage	10 kV		
Rated Current	2.3 kA (40 MVA)		
Length	1 km		
Fault Current	20 kA (50 kA peak)		
Dielectric Design	Cold dielectric		
Dielectric Material	LPP		
HTS Material	BSCCO <sup>8</sup>		
HTS Conductor Supplier/Fabricator	Sumitomo		
AC Loss	1 W/m <sup>10</sup>		
Cable Fabrication	Nexans		
Refrigeration	4 kW @ 67 K. Open bath LN [Messer] <sup>11</sup>		

**Table 5: HTS Cable Projects in Japan and South Korea**

Project	Asahi	Jeju Island DC
Location	Yokohama, Japan	Jeju Island, South Korea
Site	Asahi Substation	GumAk-Hanlim Substations
Status	Completed initial test <sup>1</sup>	Operational
Developer	METI/NEDO/Sumitomo <sup>2</sup>	KEPCO/LS Cable/KERI
Utility/Host	TEPCO	KEPCO
Start Date	Oct. 30, 2012 <sup>3</sup>	October 2014
End Date	Dec. 2013 (see note on Status)	2016
Type	AC	DC
Phases	3	1
Geometry	Triad	Coaxial DC
Voltage	66 kV	± 80 kV DC
Rated Current	5 kA (200 MVA)	3125 A DC
Length	240 m	500 m
Fault Current	31.5 kA <sub>nom</sub> for 2 sec <sup>4</sup>	Not available
Dielectric Design	Cold dielectric	Cold dielectric
Dielectric Material	LPP	LPP
HTS Material	BSCCO	YBCO
HTS Conductor Supplier/Fabricator	Sumitomo	AMSC
AC Loss	0.9 W/m/phase @ 2 kA (50 Hz), 77 K	Not applicable
Cable Fabrication	Sumitomo	LS Cable
Refrigeration	6 kW @ 77 K. Closed-loop Stirling cycle, six machines [Mayekawa] <sup>5</sup>	Not available

[3002007192 Strategic Intelligence Update Superconductivity for Power Delivery Applications December 2015.pdf](#)

- 20 projects in the US
- >20 Projects in the EU
- >20 Projects in South Korea
- > 10 Projects in China



# Opportunities

- Industrials with SC
- Non-destructive testing
- Inductive heaters
- Magnetic separation
- Crystal growth
- Quality control



# Industrial Magnets

## Magnetic separation - Carpco

- High gradient magnetic separation (HGMS)
- Primarily for kaolin processing
  - removing weakly magnetic impurities to improve whiteness (and therefore economic value)
- 5 T magnets, 360 mm to 1000 mm bore



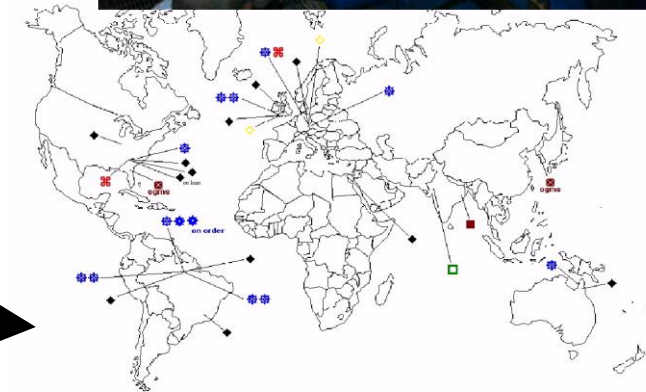
operate at the mining source

- Amazon rainforest, Brazil
- Queensland, Australia
- Cornwall, UK



### Key takeaway

- Superconductors can operate in industrial and harsh environments



**Cryofilters**  
- Industrial: 5T/1000, 5T/600, 5T/460, 5T/360, 5T/200  
- pilot scale: 5T/200  
- laboratory QA & testing: 5T/775

**Cryostream**  
- R&D, testing: 4T/200

(August 1999)



# Opportunities

## *Transport with HTS*

- MAGLEV
- Electric planes
- Electric ships



# MAGLEV with SC – Serious in Japan and China



## Japan - 18 May 2011

- Japanese Government authorizes Central Japan Railway Co to proceed with high speed Maglev link from Tokyo to Osaka by 2045
- speed 580 kph



## Japan - June 2015

- Chuo Shinkansen Maglev train Achieved 603 Kph (375 miles/hr) in Jun 2015
  - 1<sup>st</sup> phase complete by 2027 – Tokyo to Nagoya (40 min for 270 Km)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase by 2045 – Tokyo to Osaka (67 min hr for 500 Km)
  - Total cost ~ \$55B
  - Using NbTi wire @4K



## China - 2030

- Plans for two maglev lines to connect the south China province (Guangdong) with Beijing & Shanghai.
- The new maglev lines will cut travel time
  - Guangzhou to Shanghai to two and a half hours.
  - Guangzhou to Beijing will require just over three hours, halving current travel time by high-speed rail,

**Key takeaway – Superconductors will have a significant impact on land transport and environment**

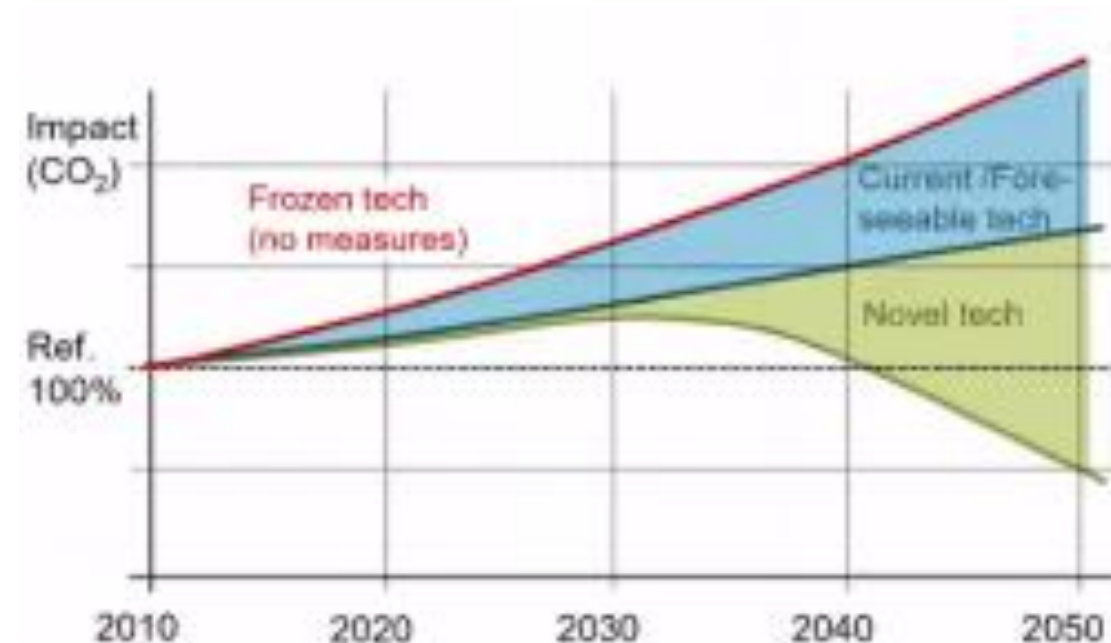


# Motivation for sustainable air transport

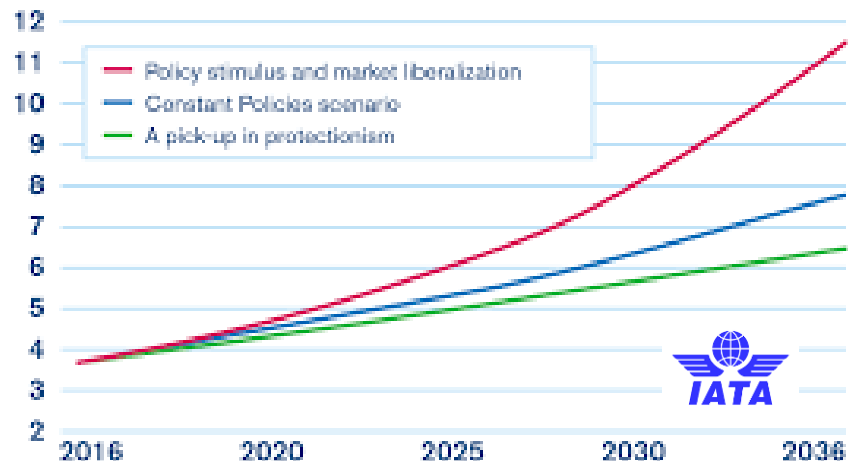
## Global increase in air travel and greenhouse gas emissions



Environmental impact (CO<sub>2</sub>): forecast by mode of deployment



Global Passengers (billion, segment basis)



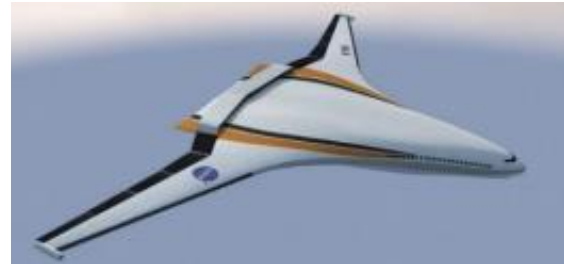
**Key takeaway** – Superconductors will have a significant impact on environment and decarbonisation



# Electric planes with SC – Selected examples

## Fully Turbo-electric plane: NASA N3-X

- fuel burn reduction 70%, same range, speed, airport infrastructure.
- Technology: Hybrid Wing Body, **Fully distributed 50MW, Superconducting, 7500V, power system**



## Partial Turboelectric

- Boeing SUGAR Freeze: fuel burn reduction **56% for 900 mile mission**, utilizes a truss-braced wing combined with a boundary-layer ingesting fan in an aft tail cone to maximize aerodynamic efficiency.
- The aft fan is powered by a **solid oxide fuel cell topping cycle** and driven by a **superconducting motor with a cryogenic power management system**



## Empirical Systems Aerospace ECO-150R

- Matching and significantly exceeding current aircraft fuel burn.
- Technology considered ranges from **superconducting electrical machines cooled with liquid hydrogen** to conventional machines at various technology levels.



## Progress with Electric planes

- Right building blocks are in place to have a viable large-plane EAP configuration tested by 2025
- Entry into service in 2035

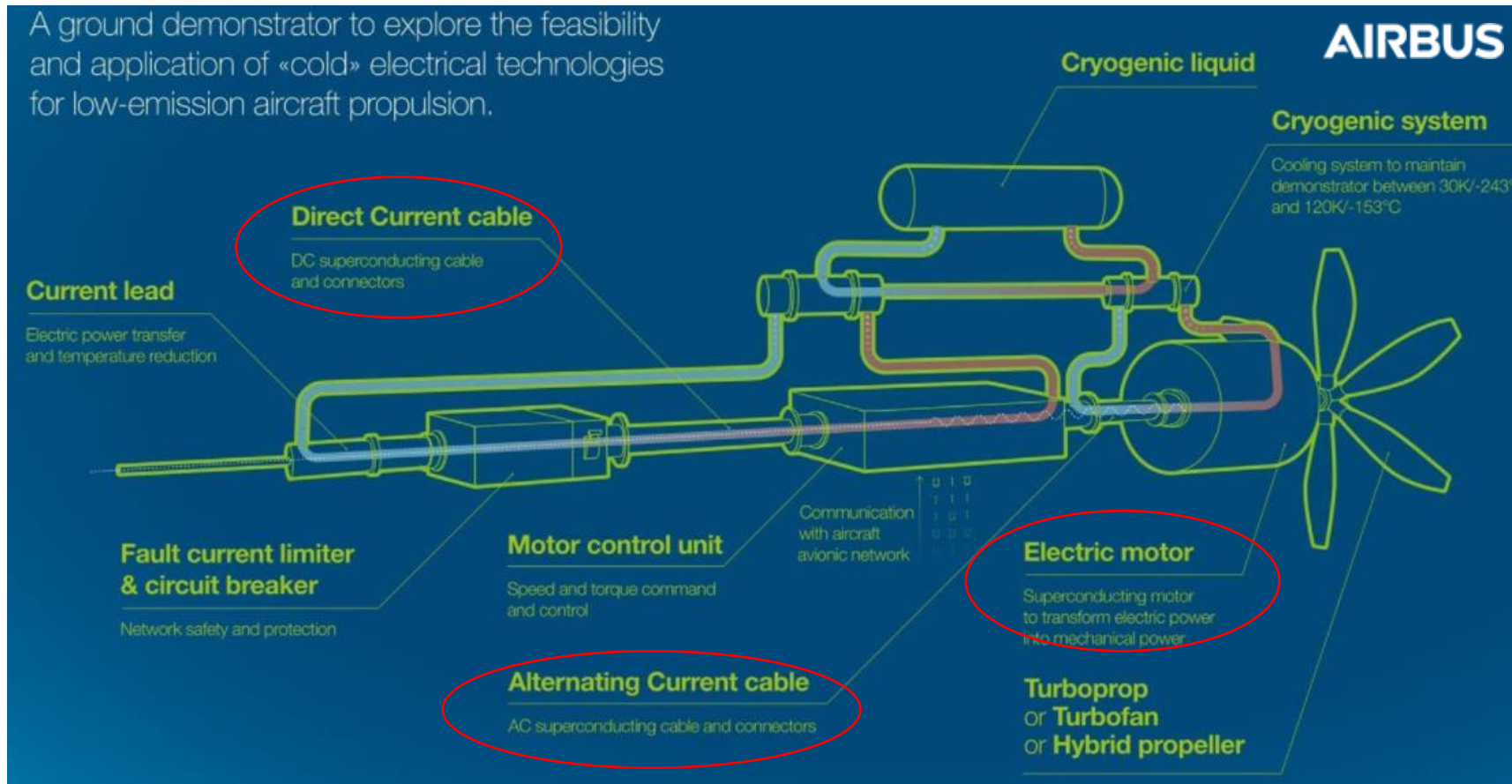
**Key takeaway** – Serious effort to develop electric planes. Opportunities for National Facilities to speed up risk retirement



# Airbus Advanced Superconducting & Cryogenic Experimental powertrain Demonstrator (ASCEND) project

## Zero-Emission aircraft require

1. Energy storage,
2. Conversion from energy to propulsion - “ASCEND is focused on the conversion part.”



## Key takeaway - Potential benefits from SC

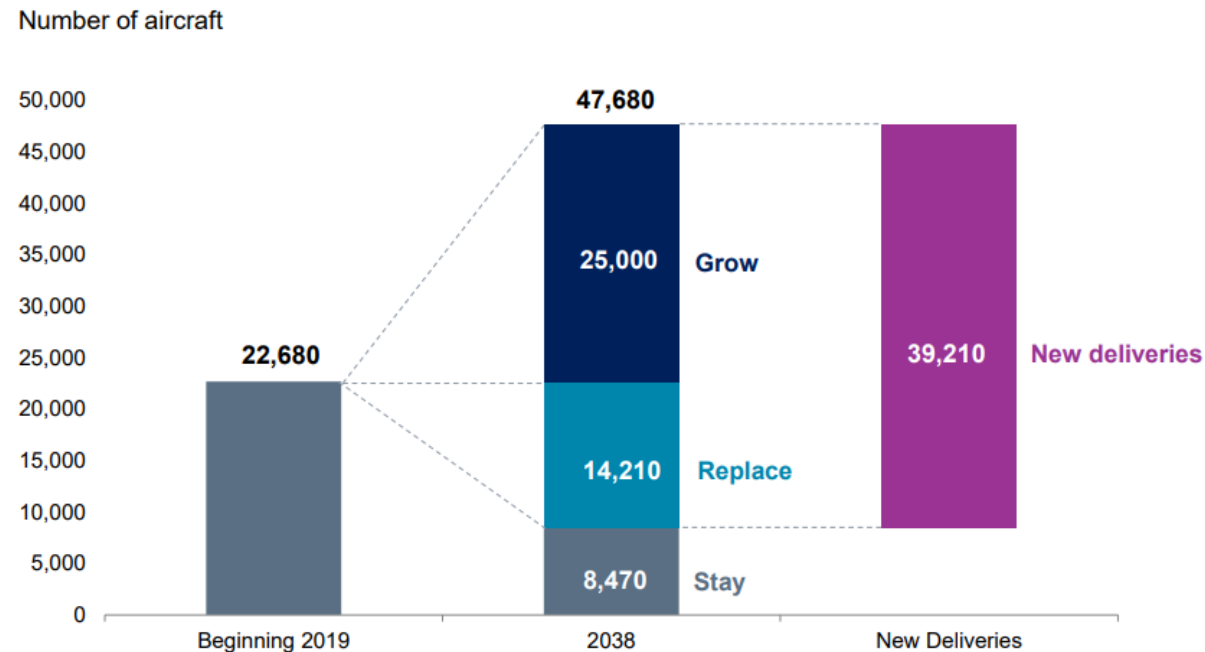
- ~ 50% of powertrain weight,
- ~ 50% electrical losses
- reduction in the voltage required to less than 500V.

<https://www.flightglobal.com/aerospace/airbus-explores-cryogenic-superconducting-powertrain-for-electric-thrust/143097.article>



# Opportunities for Electric Planes – Massive!

36% of new deliveries for replacement, 64% for growth



CAGR of 12.2%



## Potential Electric Plane components

- **Superconducting Opportunity**
  - SC cables
  - Generators
  - Motors
  - Energy Storage
  - Propulsion

**Key takeaway** - Forecast of Electric Planes Opportunities  
*Superconducting/Cryogenics share ~ 20-30% by 2030 (~USD 3 B)*

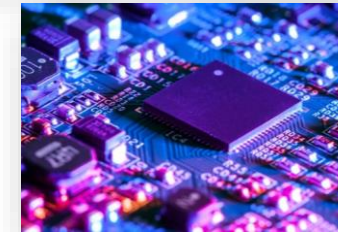
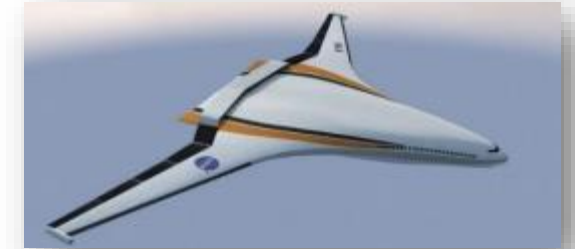


# Concluding Remarks



# Expected Emerging SC markets by 2030

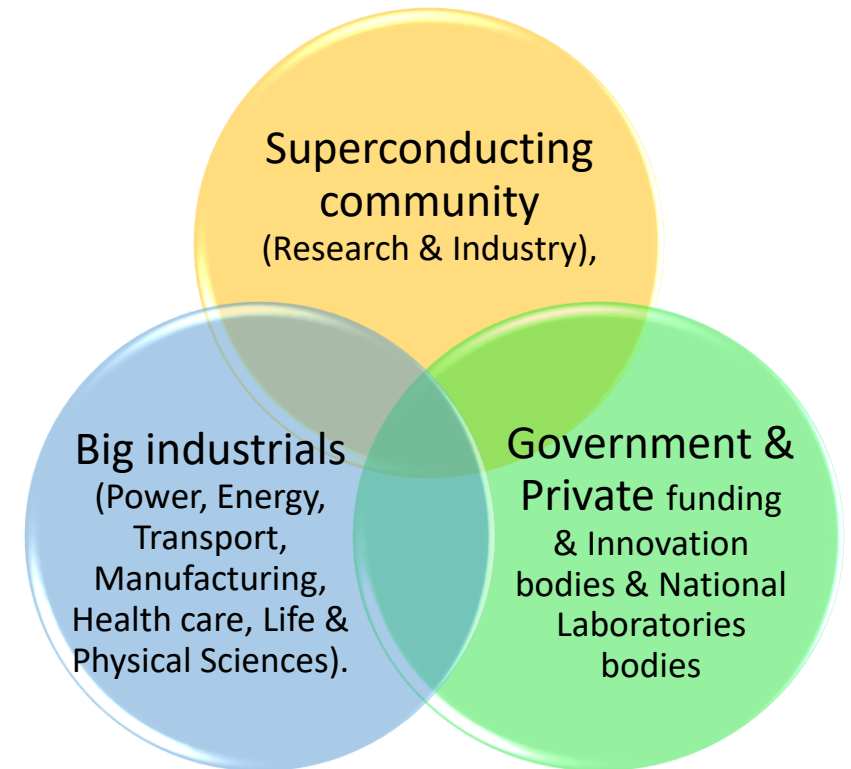
- Fusion
- Electric planes
- SC magnetic storage
- Renewables
- Compact and portable HF magnet systems for Physical and Life Sciences
- SC quantum computing
- Superconducting Electronics
- Medical diagnostics and therapy
- Industrial
- Transport





# We need new thinking on developing Superconducting Products

- Diverse challenges identified by the UN 17 SDG's and the aggressive targets of decarbonisation by 2050 require a new initiative on developing SC products for
  - **Cleaner, healthier and sustainable future**
- Realising the potential of SC in addressing our societal future needs will require new thinking on capturing and harnessing the enormous potential of SC . At the heart of it is establishing a three-way partnership between SC Community, Government and Big Industrials
- We are developing an initiative to identify grand challenges and a mechanism to develop the role of SC in addressing the future societal challenges.
  - Planning for an International Summit on SC Products
  - A Focused Workshop on SC initiative will be held in July 2022 to plan for the summit
    1. Develop a Strategic Roadmap for SC solutions and commercial products
    2. Develop a partnership between the SC community, Government and Private Funding and Big Industrials
    3. Shortlist of grand SC challenges that can make a difference
    4. Establish working groups to draft proposals and mechanisms for the shortlisted SC challenges
    5. Establish a mechanism for sustaining the development of commercial SC solutions and products linked the 17SDGs



**Such an initiative will significantly enhance the SC market**