

The Role of Test Facilities in Beam Physics Research

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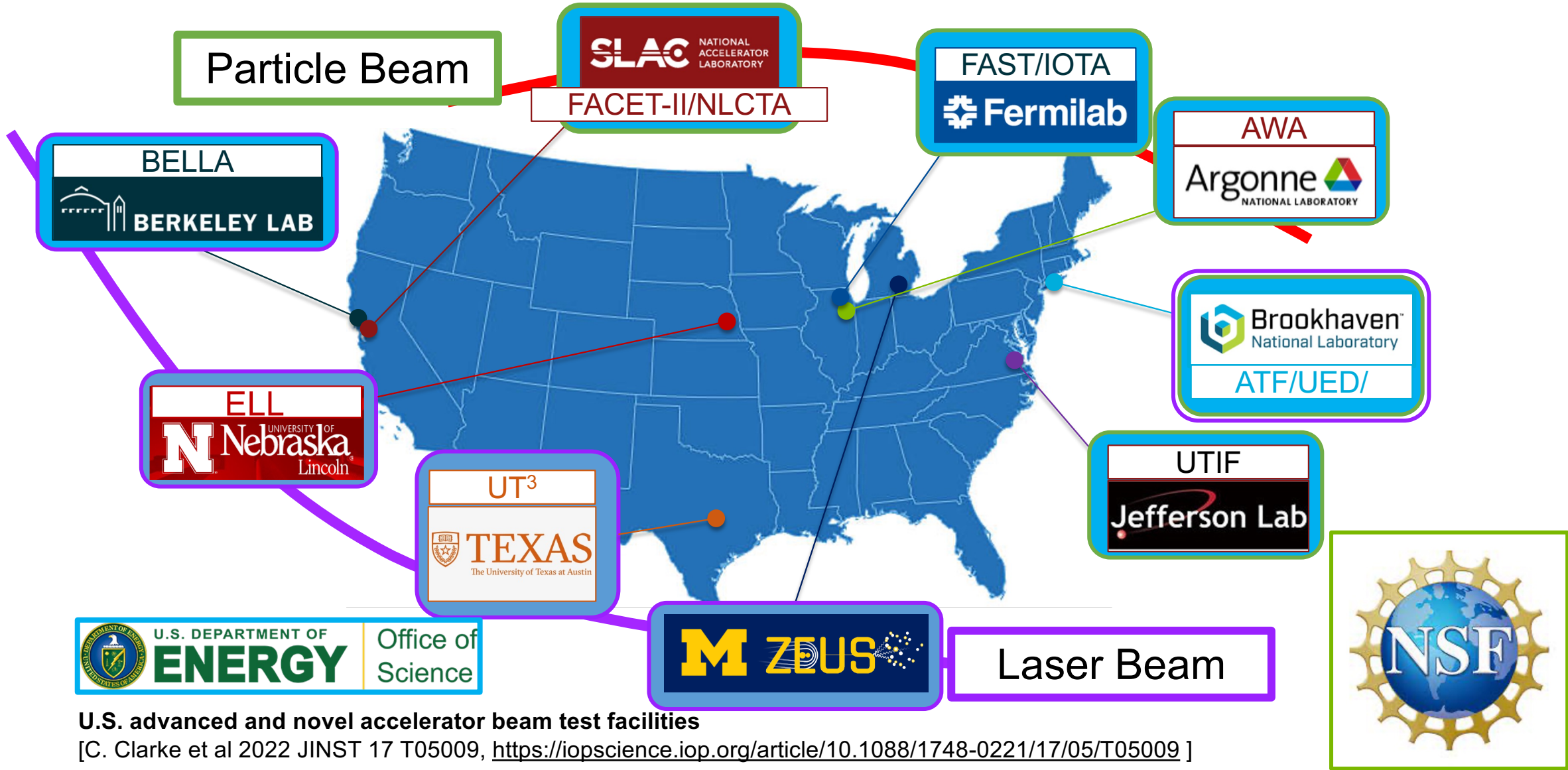
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Synthesis

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U.S. Advanced and Novel Accelerator Beam Test Facilities



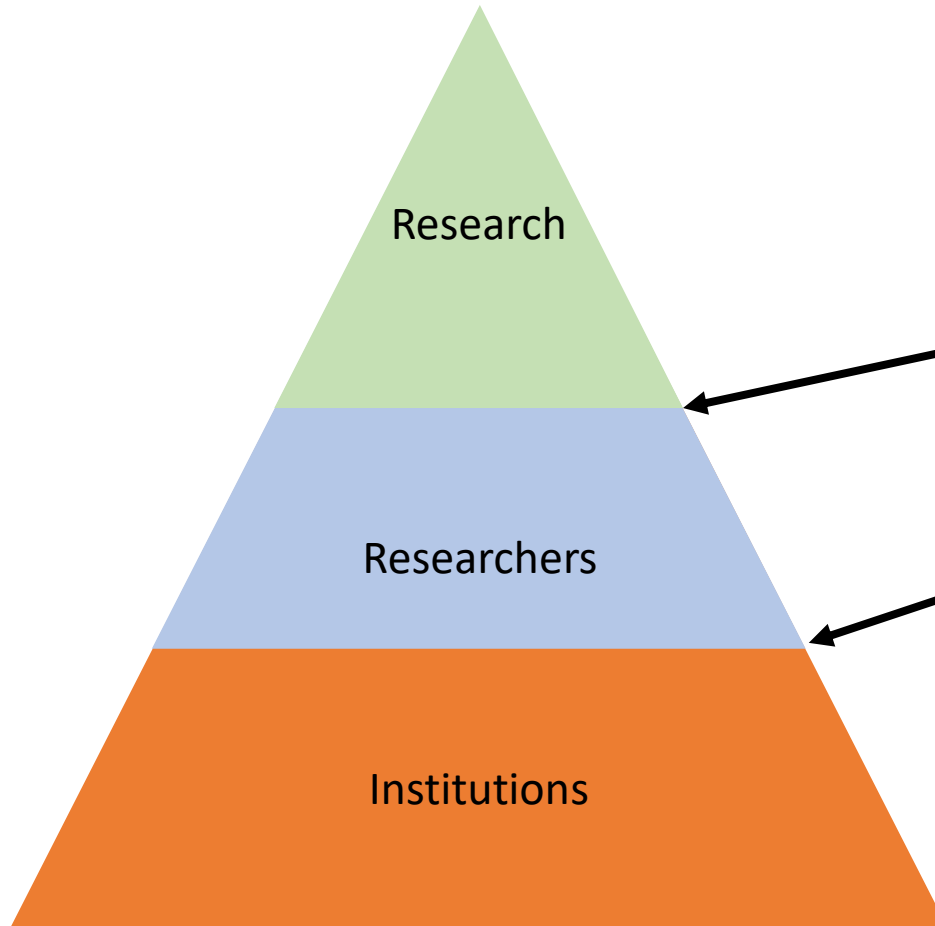
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National Laboratories

Universities

R&D Ecosystem



Beam test facilities are engaged in the supporting layers of the pyramid

Enabling access to research

- Provide state of the art facilities to enable high-impact research

Training ground for institutions

- Facilitate research training for new researchers
- USPAS and university courses, professional courses
- DOE SULI, SCGSR, RENEW, FAIR
- NSF REU

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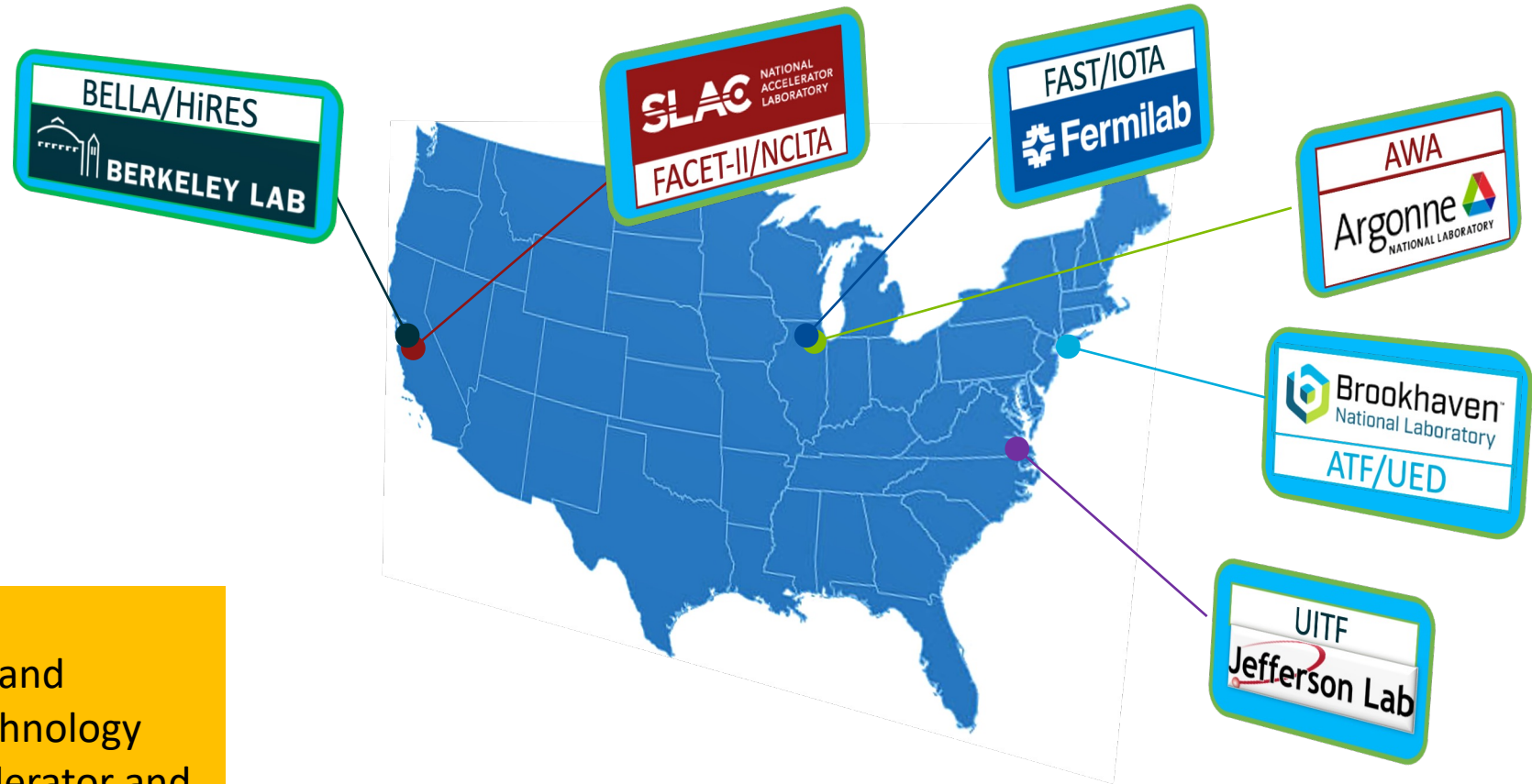
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BeamNetUS

A network of National Lab facilities aiming to run a program specially targeting new collaborations for user-driven research

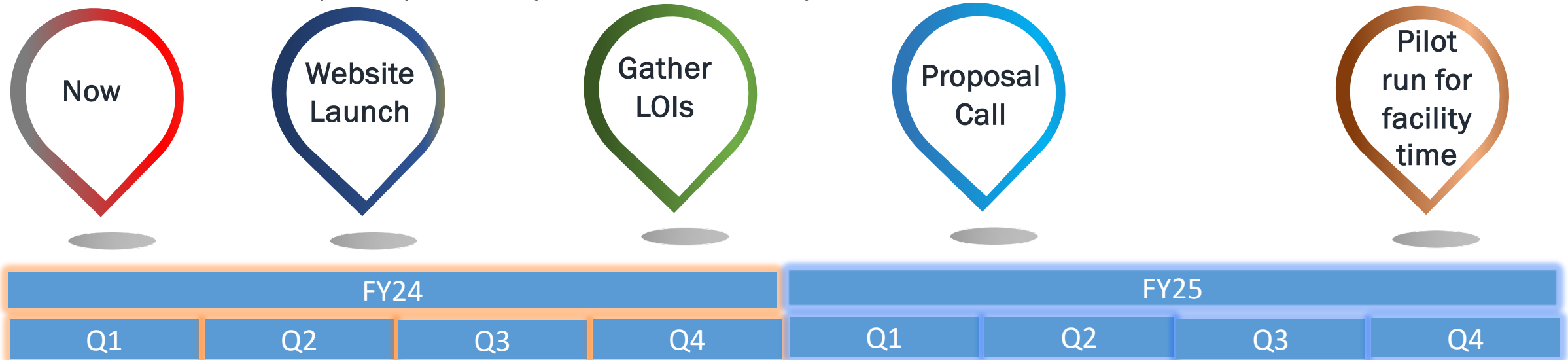


United in a common mission

- Advance accelerator research and applications of accelerator technology
- Provide access to unique accelerator and accelerator component resources
- Foster collaboration to exchange ideas, skills and resources

Implementation Timeline

- **Facilities at 6 National Labs** will form the initial network for the pilot year
 - Argonne (AWA), Berkeley (BELLA, HiRes), Brookhaven (ATF, UED), Fermilab (FAST/IOTA), Jefferson Lab (UITF), SLAC (FACET-II, NLCTA)



Coordinate efforts at conferences, workshops and meetings to inspire new engagements & work to streamline and document processes

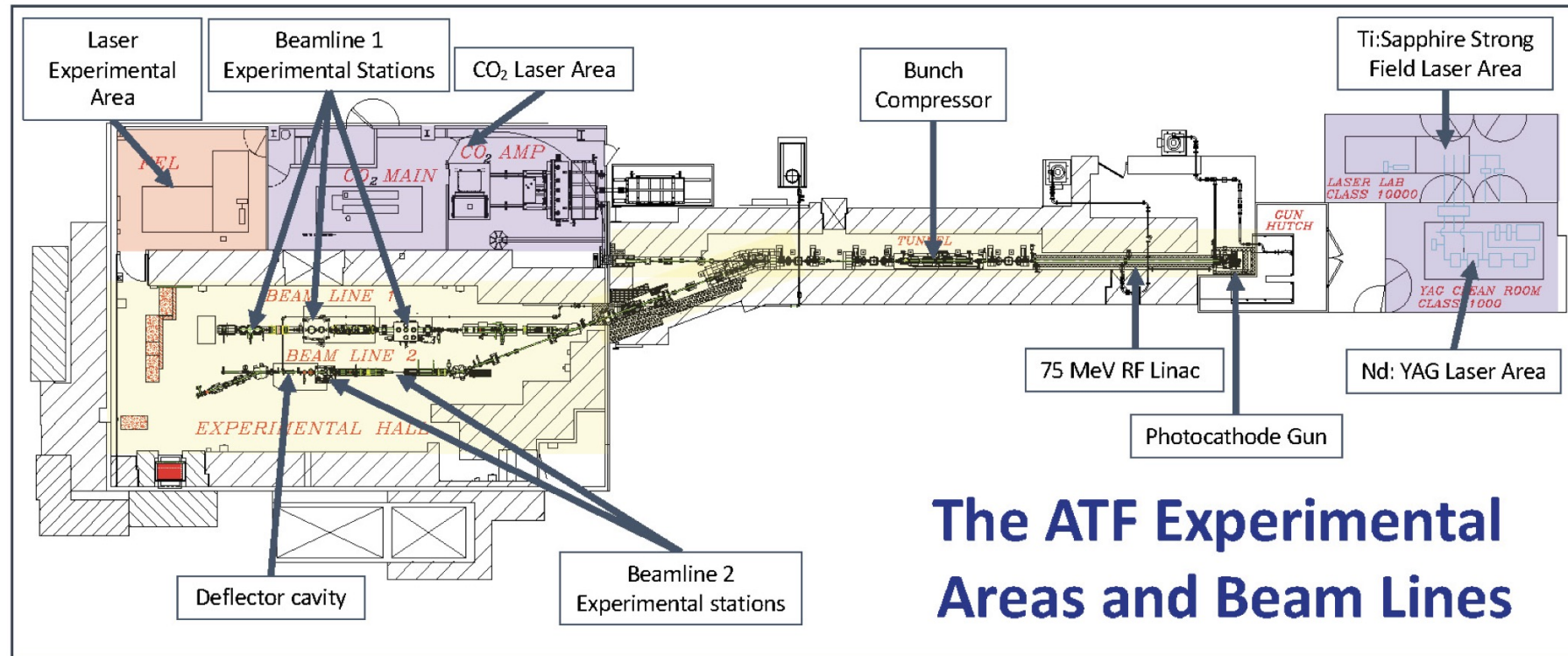
Pilot year for competitive beam time awards ~ 3 weeks at each laboratory/facility by end 2025

A Unique Set of Distributed Capabilities

- Electron, positron and proton sources
- Electron energies ranging from a few MeV to 10 GeV
- 100 TW class laser sources
- High power RF sources for testing
- Advanced particle and radiation diagnostics
- A mix of user facilities and mission-driven facilities

Overview of Individual Facilities

Accelerator Test Facility



Beams

- 5 TW, 2 ps, CO₂ laser
- 75 MeV, <1ps, nC linac beam (single bunch and multi-bunch)
- TW NIR Sources

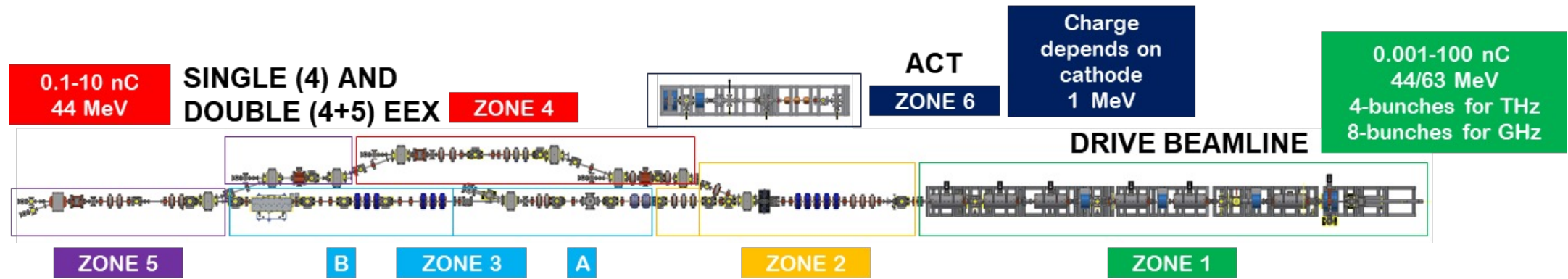
Research Focus

- Particle and photon source development
- Wakefield acceleration
- Inverse Compton scattering
- Laser-driven plasma ion acceleration

Mode of Operation

- National User Facility
- DOE Accelerator Stewardship

Argonne Wakefield Accelerator



ZONE 6 (ACT)

- 1 MeV flexible beamline
- Mostly used for cathode tests
- Main diagnostics: YAG, ICT, or any other installed diagnostics

ZONE 4 & 5

- ~1 m space is available for experiment.
- Special beams such as longitudinally shaped beam can be provided.
- Main diagnostics: YAG, slit/quad scan, ICT, TDC, spectrometer

ZONE 3b

- Flexible beamline, dedicated for re-build
- Main diagnostics: YAG, quad scan, ICT, or any other installed diagnostics

ZONE 3a

- Fixed beamline with a device test area
- Mostly used for SWFA exp
- 11.7 GHz 400 MW PETs available
- Main diagnostics: YAG, quad scan, ICT, spectrometer

ZONE 1 & 2

- Fixed beamline
- Main diagnostics: YAG, slit/quad scan, spectrometer, ICT
- Suitable for small footprint experiment

Beams

- Beamline #1: 1 pC-100 nC, 44/63 MeV
- Beamline #2: 1 pC-50 nC, 15 MeV
- Beamline #3: 1 MeV cathode R&D
- 1-16 bunch trains for GHz-THz
- Tunable bunch length (<10 nC)
- Tunable longitudinal profile (<10 nC)

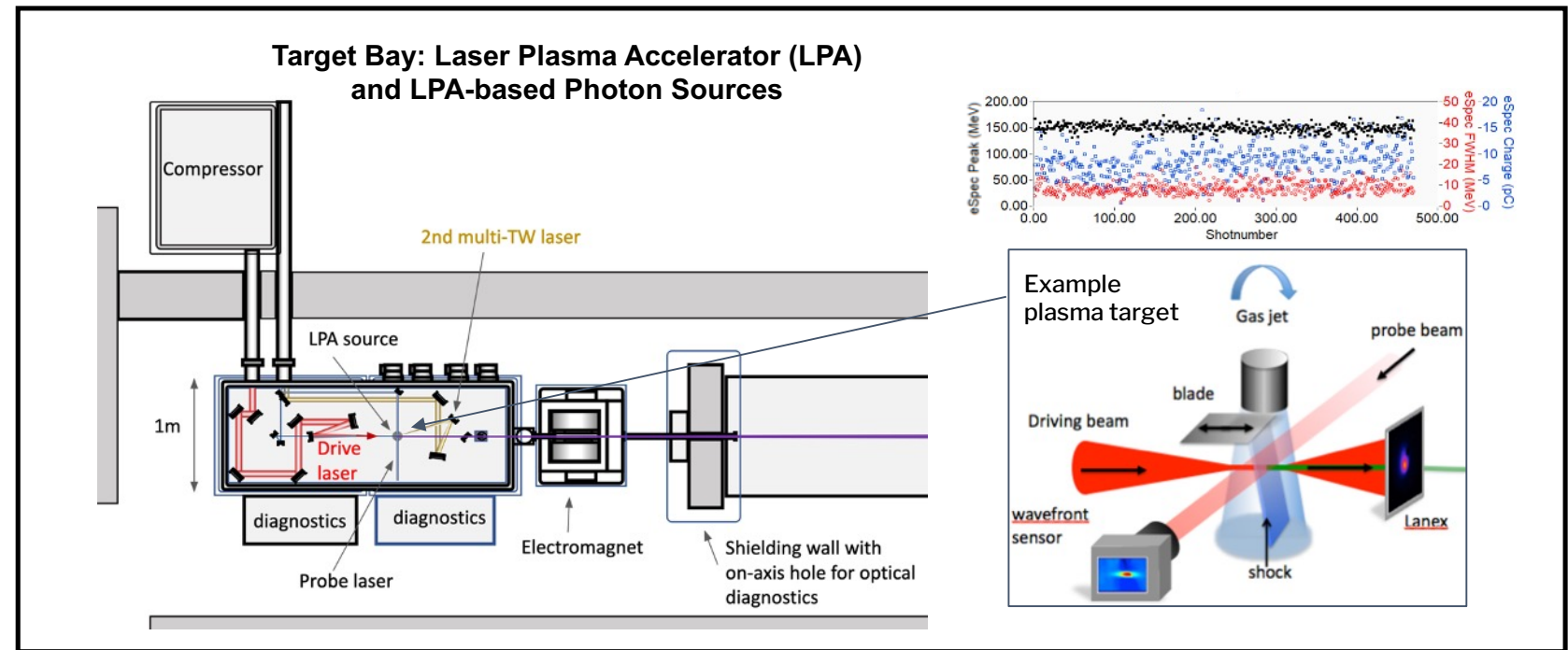
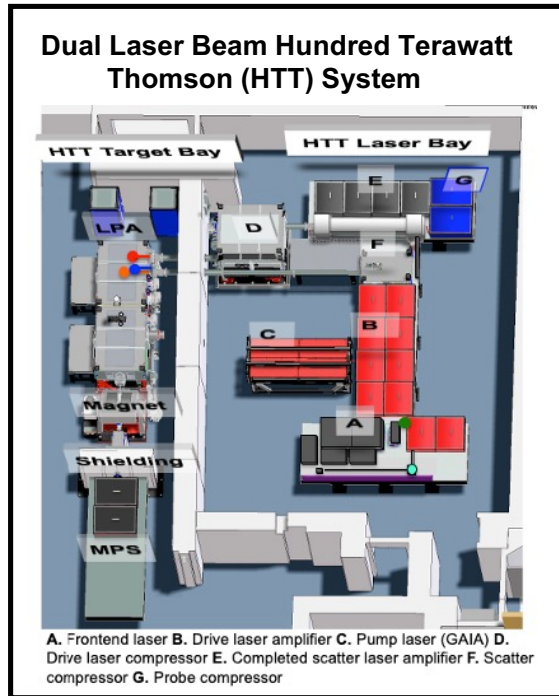
Research Focus

- High gradient acceleration (SWFA & PWFA)
- Advanced beam manipulation & control
- High-brightness electron source
- Beam-based radiation sources

Mode of Operation

- Mission based and Collaborative Experiments

Hundred Terawatt Thomson (HTT)



Beams

- Drive beam - 2J, 40 fs
- Multi-TW beam (0.5 J, 40 fs)
- Fs laser probes (2 mJ 40 fs)

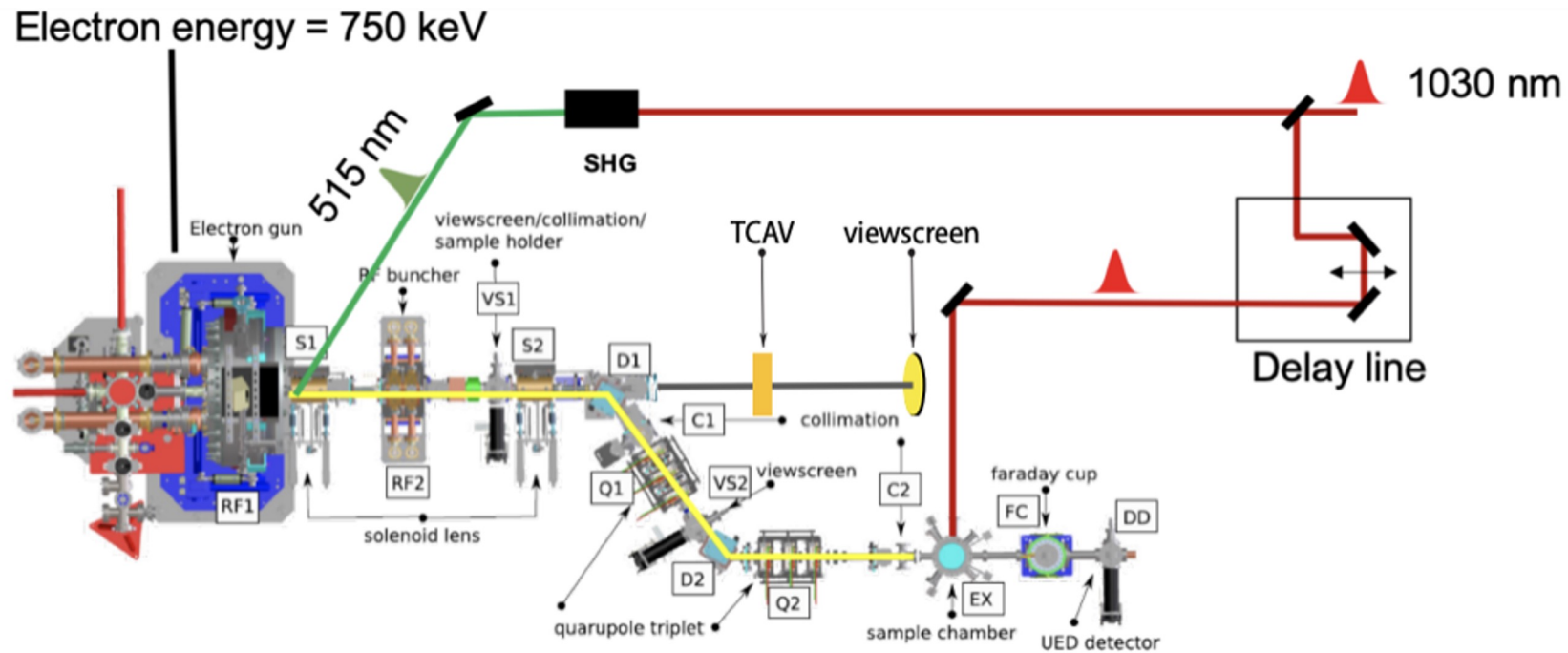
Research Focus

- Colliding pulse for e-beam injection in a laser wakefield
- Radiography of laser wakefield structures
- Thomson scattering for noninvasive e-beam energy measurement

Mode of Operation

- Mission based and Collaborative Experiments

High Repetition-rate Electron Scattering apparatus (HiRES)



Beams

- Electron beam (energy ~ 750 keV temporal resolution 300 fs, up to 1 MHz)
- Pump laser

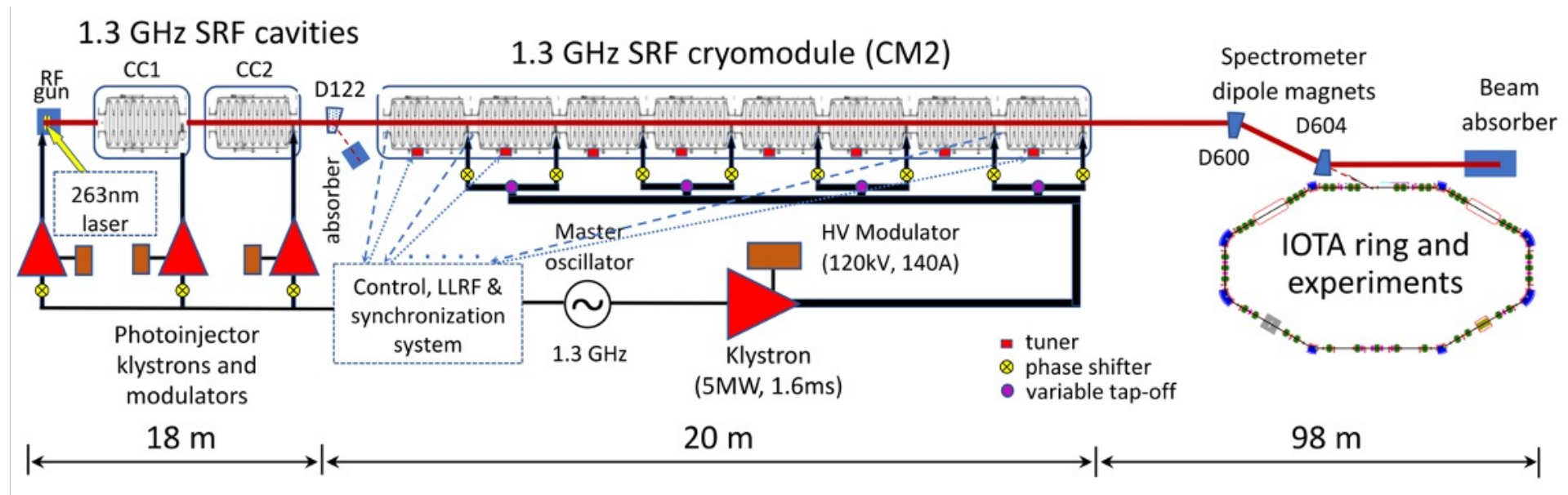
Research Focus

- Photocathode development
- Beam diagnostics, controls and instrumentation
- Ultrafast electron diffraction experiment

Mode of Operation

- Mission based and Collaborative Experiments

Fermilab Accelerator Science and Technology (FAST)



Beams

- Two injector linacs (e^- & p^+)
- 50-150 MeV/c

Research Focus

- Suppression of coherent beam instabilities
- Mitigation of space charge effects
- Advanced beam cooling

Mode of Operation

- Mission based and Collaborative Experiments
- 1–3 concurrent experiments

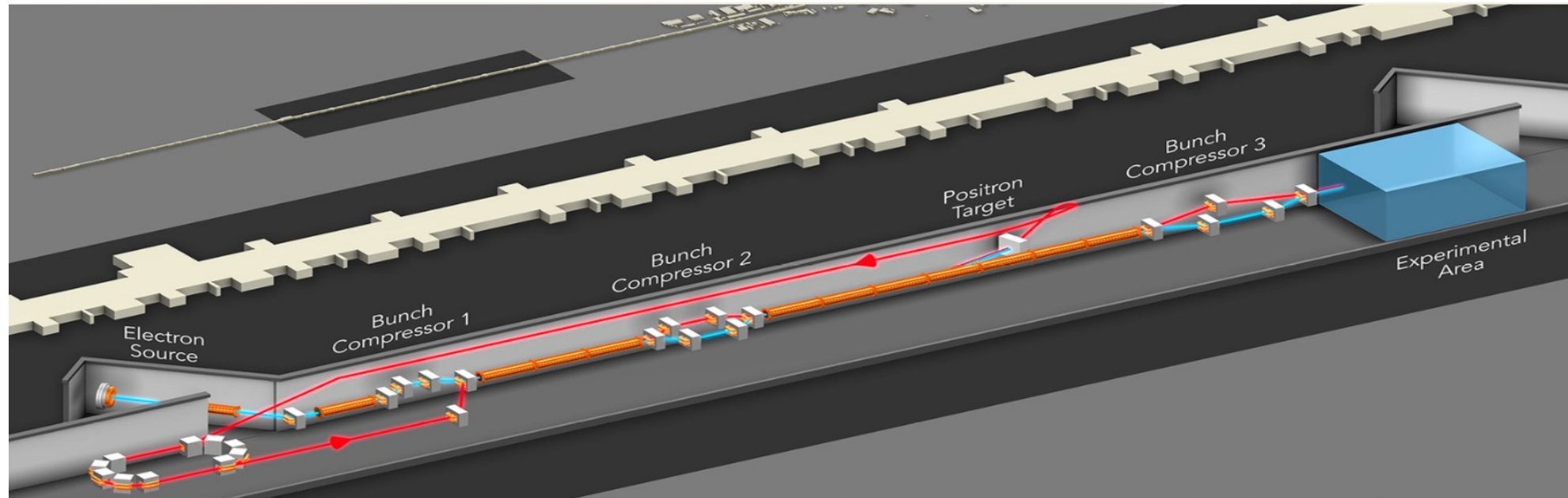
FACET II



FACET-II
Facility for Advanced Accelerator Experimental Tests



NATIONAL
ACCELERATOR
LABORATORY



Beams

- e^+/e^- beams* 10 GeV, nC, single bunch (compressed to $15 \mu\text{m}^3$) or two bunch
- 10 TW Ti:Sapphire

Research Focus

50% PWFA research

- 10 GeV plasma stage
- Plasma-based photocathode
- High brightness γ source

50% Other research of high-intensity electron beams with lasers, plasmas and solids.

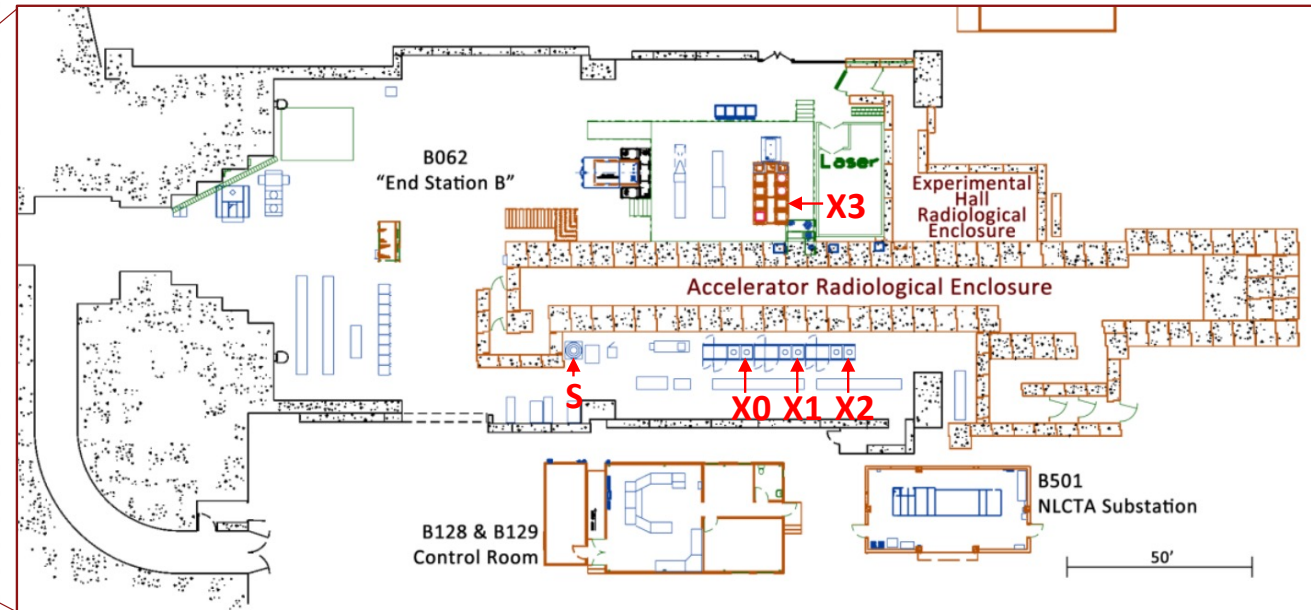
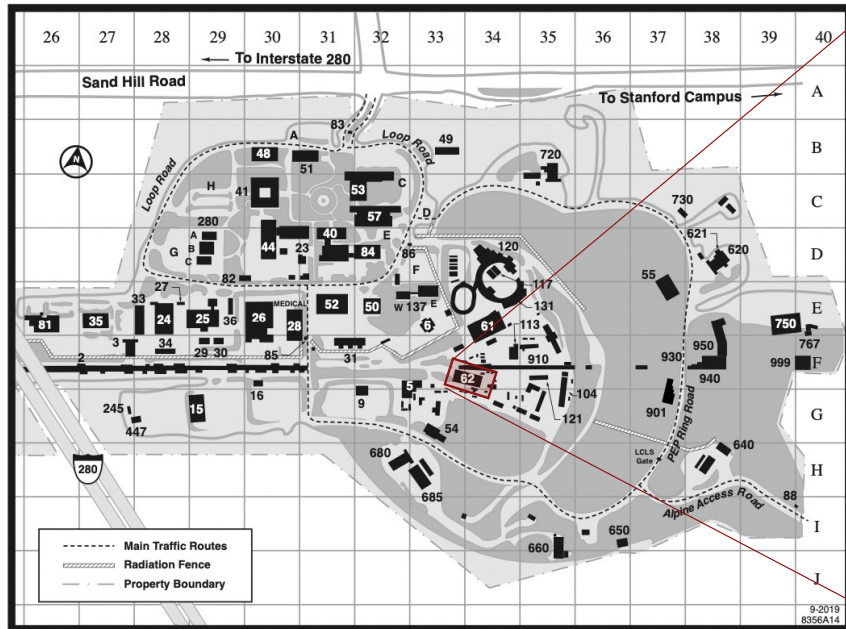
Mode of Operation

National User Facility
DOE HEP

* e^+ planned

Next Linear Collider Test Accelerator (NLCTA)

Five RF sources available to supply power to test areas



Beams

- X-band Test Accelerator (XTA), a stand-alone high-power X-band beamline

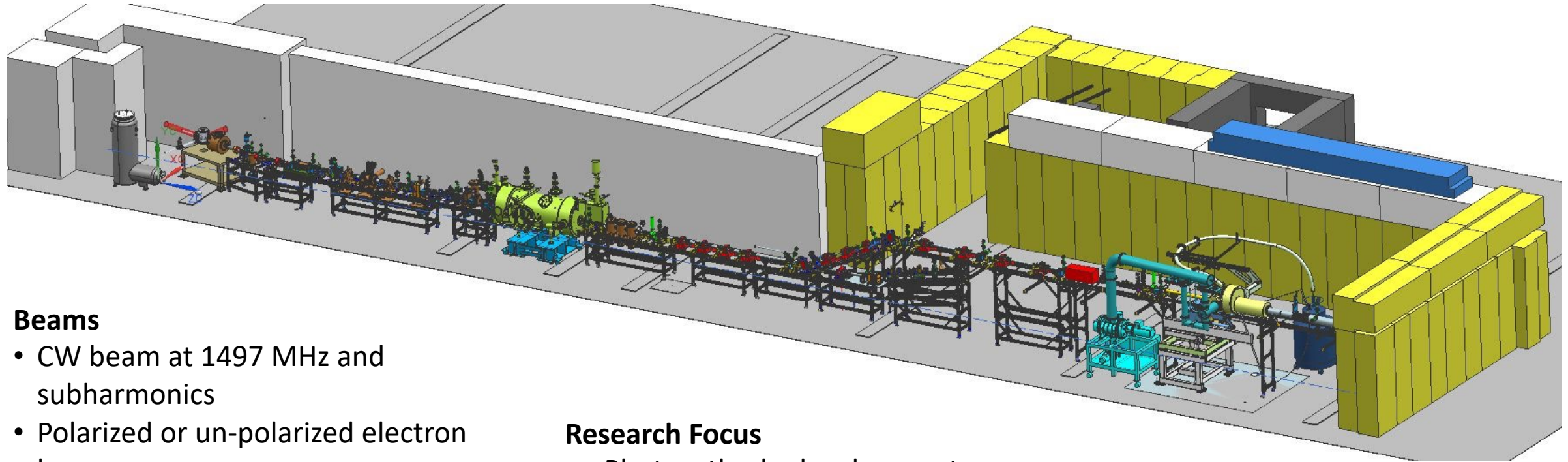
Research Focus

- Development of an X-band Linear Collider for future High Energy Physics Research
- New accelerator designs
- Compact accelerator applications in medicine, industry, and national security

Mode of Operation

- User Facility
- Multiple concurrent experiments

JLab – Upgraded Injector Test Facility



Beams

- CW beam at 1497 MHz and subharmonics
- Polarized or un-polarized electron beam
- Milliampere beam at keV,
- 100 nA avg. current at MeV limited by available shielding,
- 10 μ A at MeV energy with modest augmentation of shielding
- 100 μ A with dedicated local shielding

Research Focus

- Photocathode development
- Beam diagnostics, controls and instrumentation
- Polarized targets
- Fast kicker studies for EIC
- Waste-water irradiation for PFAS elimination

Mode of Operation

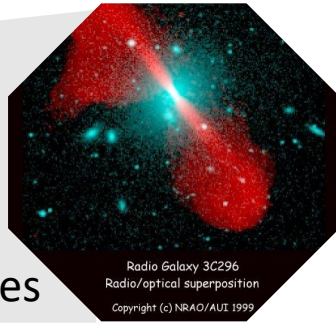
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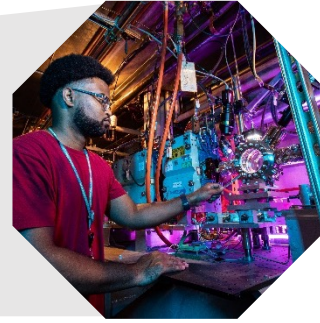
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Enabling Next-Generation of Research

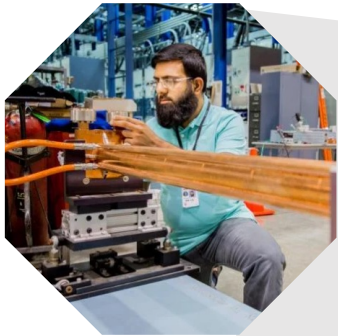
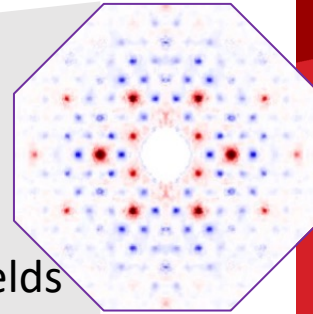
Plasma physics, astrophysics, particle acceleration, and particle and light sources



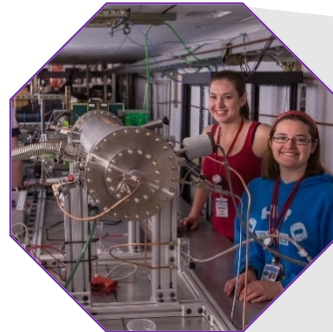
Beam physics, controls and diagnostics for conventional and advanced accelerators



Material science – Ultra fast electron diffraction of materials, materials in extreme fields



Radiofrequency Sources & structures: normal, superconducting and novel



Nuclear physics, polarized beams of low current, polarimetry, particle detectors



Radiation enclosures and electron beam irradiation

- The facilities across the 6 participating laboratories provide complementary capabilities enabling research in multiple areas

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Graduate Education

Facilities participate directly in graduate education

U.S. Particle Accelerator School

Education in Beam Physics and Accelerator Technology



Offered twice a year
A dozen courses a session
Several hundred students



Stony Brook graduate course
Hands-on experience with
accelerator components



Advance Accelerator Laboratory course
for City University of New York (CUNY)
students

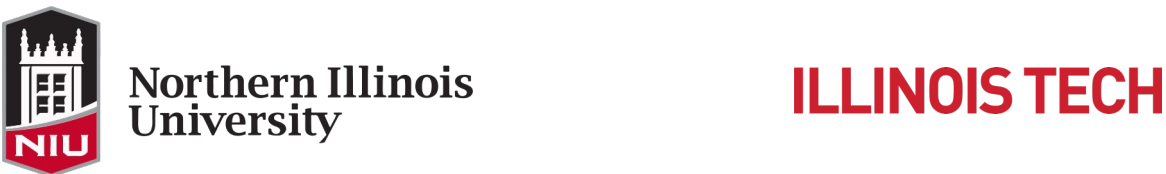
DOE Accelerator Traineeship Program

6-12 students per year per program
Certificate & special-degrees conferred
Graduate (and undergraduate) training

Virginia Innovative Traineeships in Accelerators (VITA)



Chicagoland Accelerator Science Traineeship Program



Accelerator Science and Engineering Traineeship (ASET)

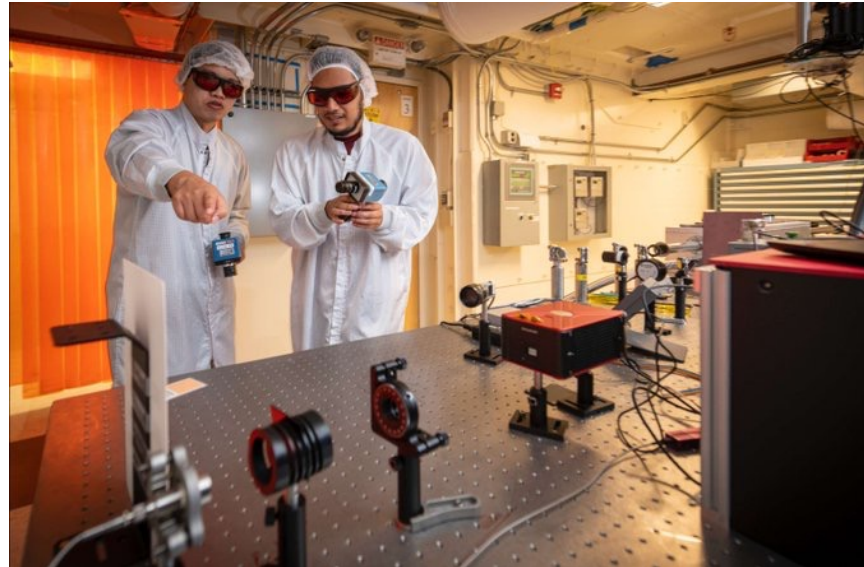


Training Ground for Next Generation Researchers

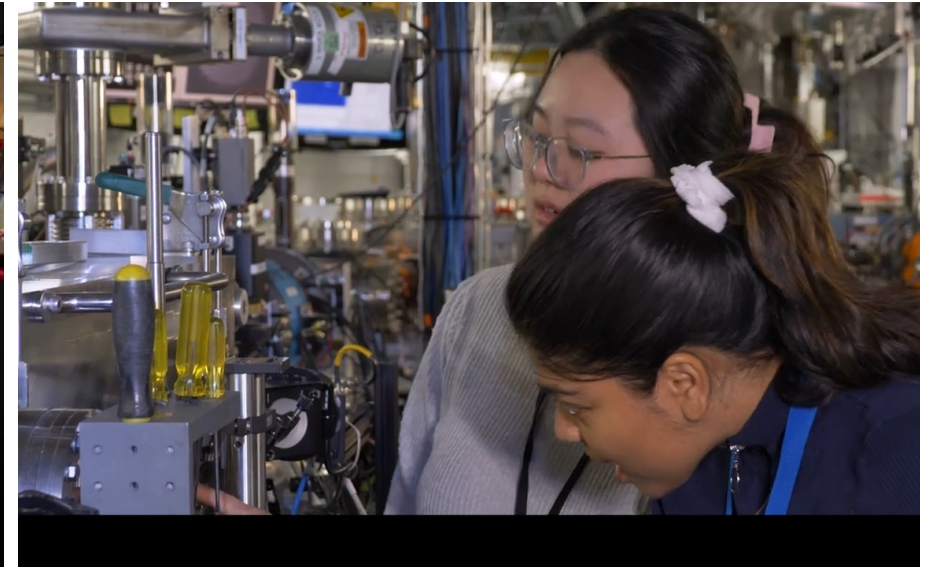
- Host SULI students and similar (NSF REU, RENEW, FAIR)
- Collaborate with academic institutions by mentoring SCGSR students and co-advising graduate thesis projects



FACET-II summer undergrads 2023



Bryan Alamillo (right) from California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) under the NNSA MSIIIP Internship Program (BELLA).



Stony Brook University graduate students co-advised by adjunct faculty at ATF

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