

# The 1.5 GHz, 1 ppm NMR Magnet at the National High Magnetic Field Lab

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# How do you Build an Electromagnet?



## Construction

Copper wire  
w/ insulation

Steel Bar

Battery

## Intensity

0.03 T

Lift ~1 oz steel

## Strength

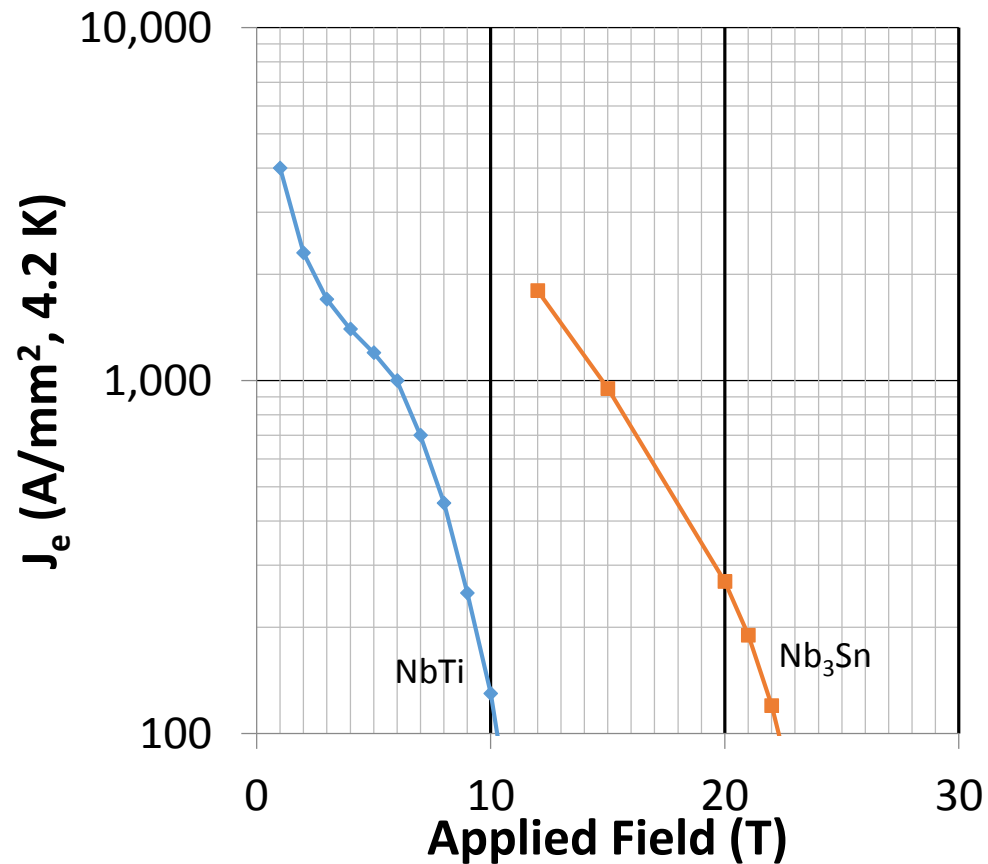
Lorentz forces!

## Cooling

Joule heating for  
resistive materials.

**Superconductors!**

# Have You Used a Superconducting Magnet?



NbTi is used for SC magnets < 12 T.

1. Human MRI magnets,
2. High-Energy Physics:
  - a) Accelerators,
  - b) Detectors.

$B_{\max}$  is ~10 T at 4.2 K & ~12 T at 2 K.

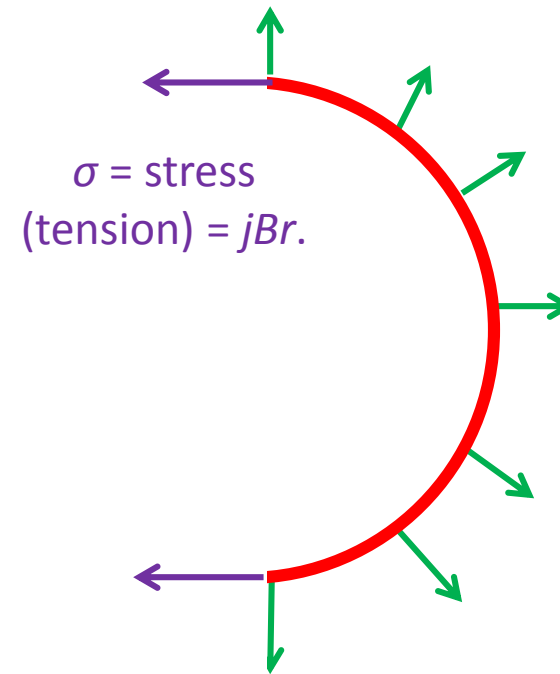
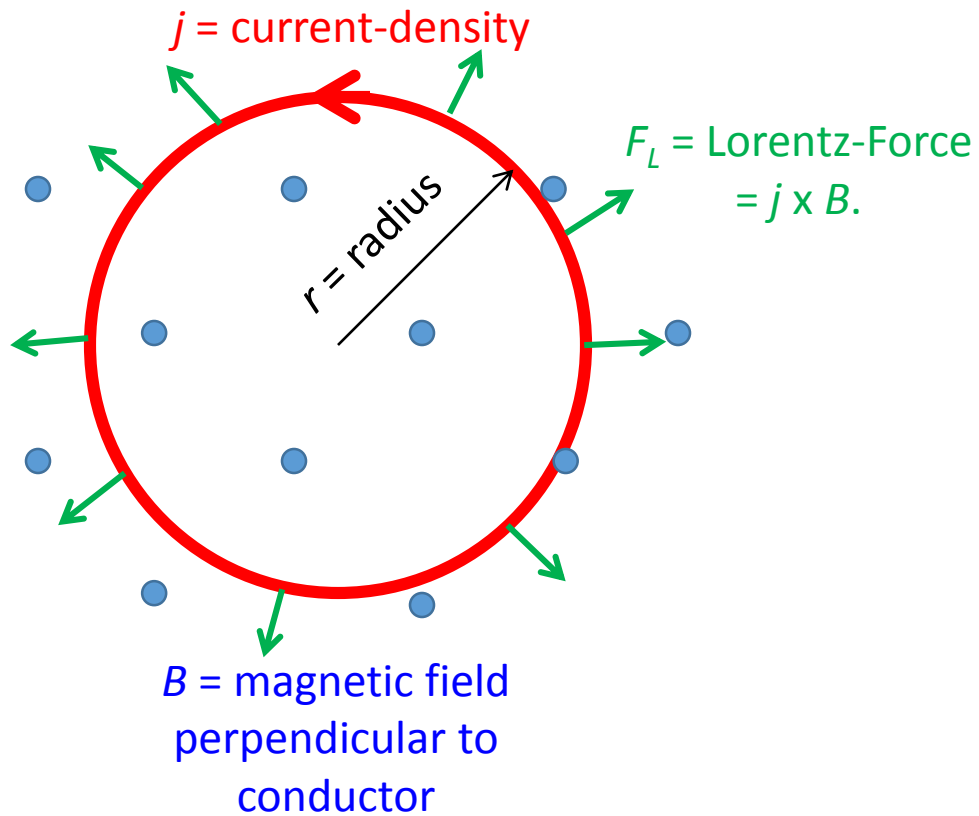
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1. NMR (up to 23.5 T),
2. Preclinical MRI (up to 21.1 T),
3. Condensed-matter physics,
4. Fusion.

Its peak field is ~22 T at 4.2 K & ~23 T at 2 K.



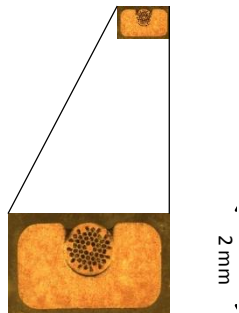
# Stress in High-Field Solenoids



If we double the field of the magnet with fixed inner-diameter and current-density, the stress (tension) in the wire doubles!

# MRI Magnet Conductor Design

	3 T, 90 cm
Superconductor	NbTi
# of strands	1
Current (Amps)	~300
Reinforcement	Cu
Strength (MPa)	>250
Stiffness (GPa)	110
Stabilizer	Cu
$C_p$ (mJ/cc/K)	1
Protection	Cu
$J_{cu}$ (A/mm <sup>2</sup> )	~280



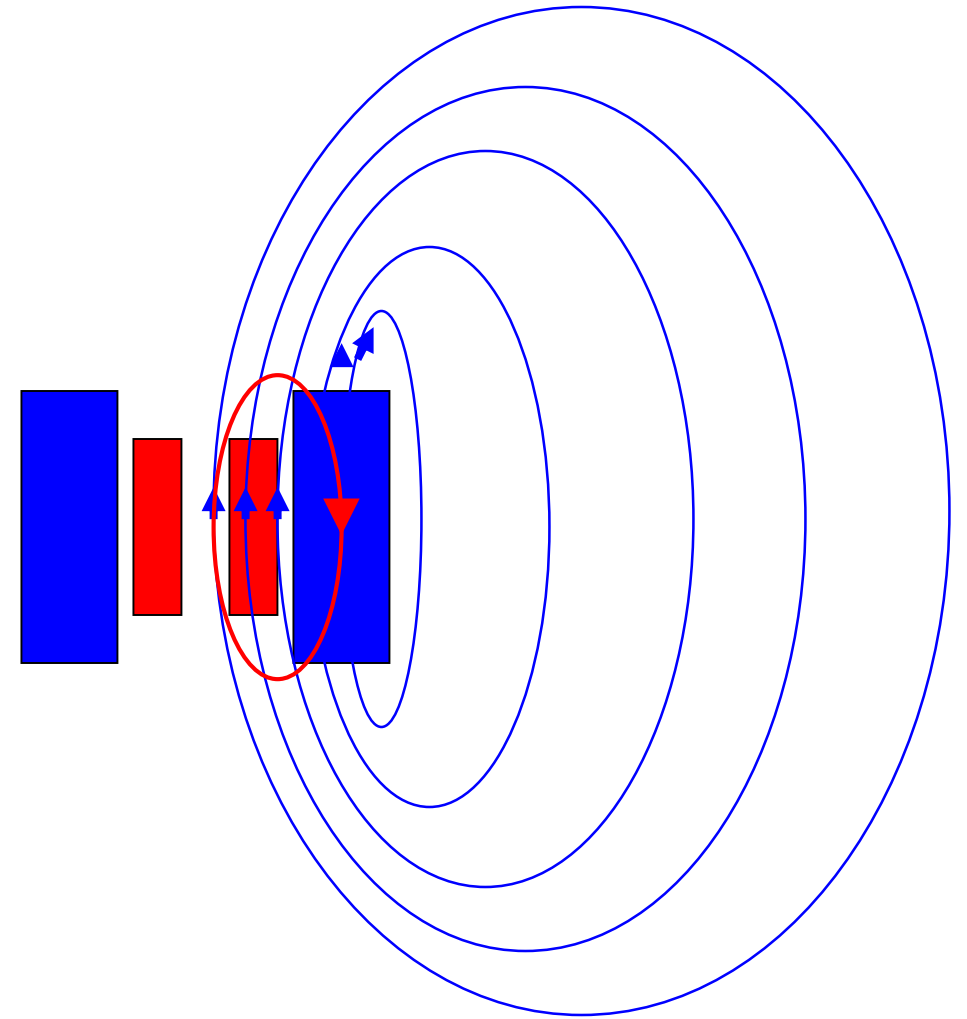
# What is a Hybrid Magnet?

A resistive magnet operating inside a superconducting magnet.

Superconducting magnets are limited by the critical field of the superconductor. (The record field is 24.5 T for a permanent installation).

Resistive magnets have no intrinsic limit. However, the power requirements increase faster than the square of the field.

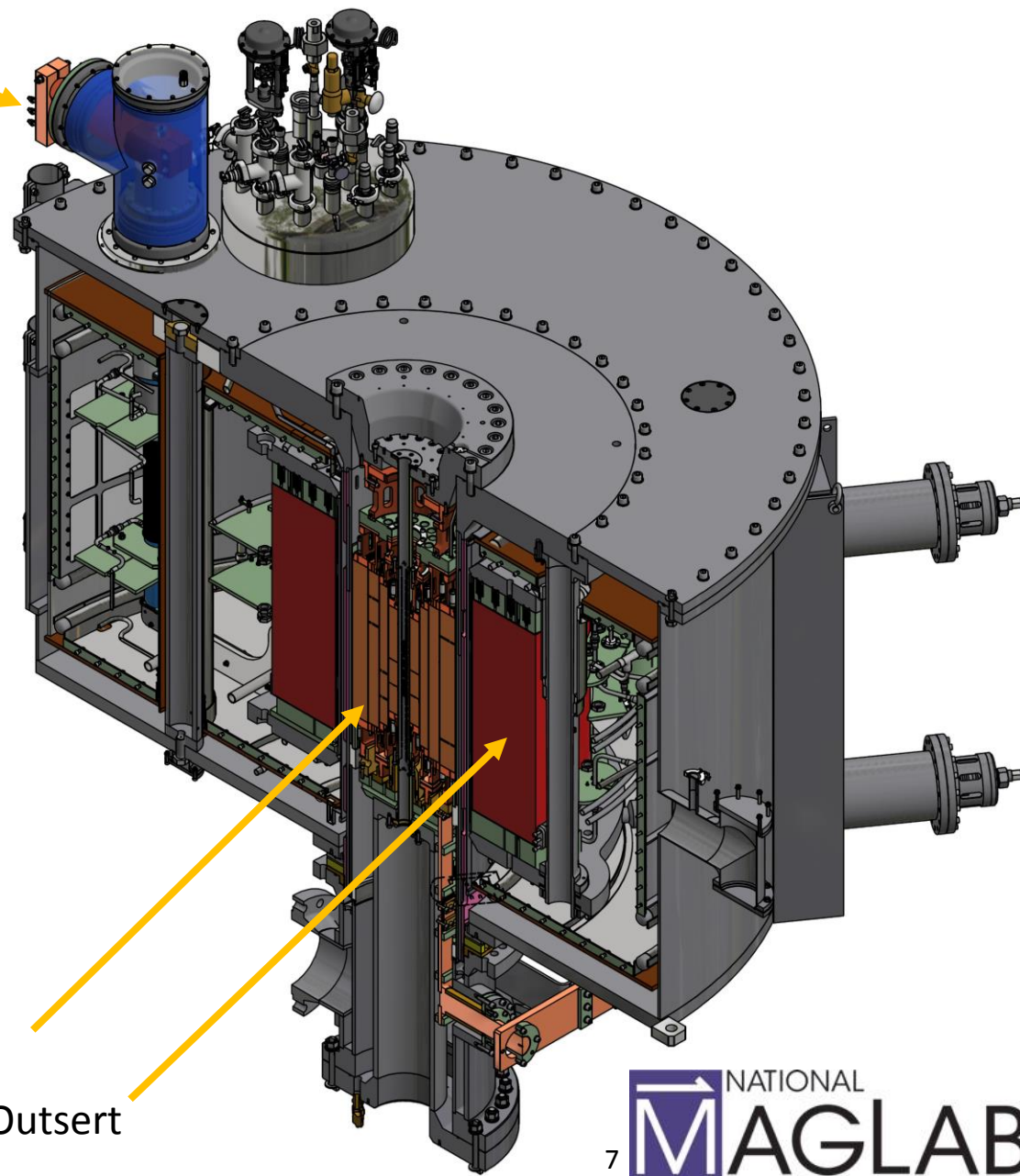
Combining the 2 technologies results in high field with modest operating cost.



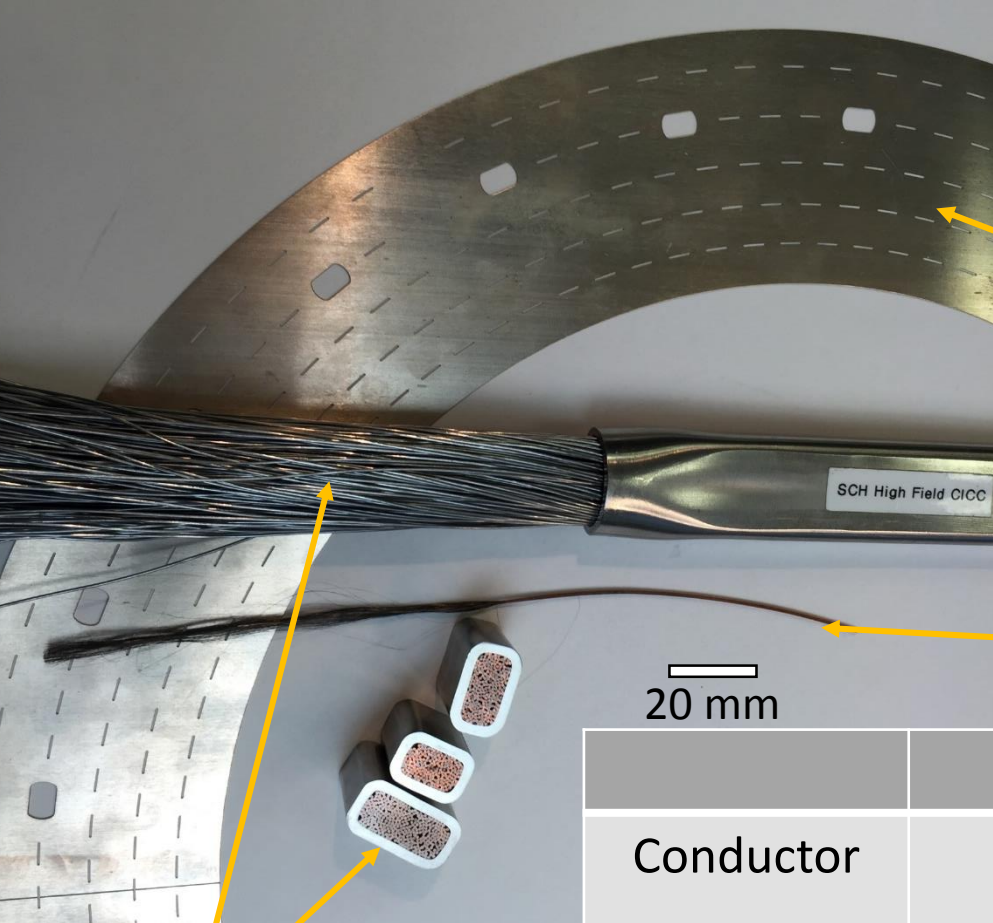
# 36 T, 1 ppm Series-Connected Hybrid Magnet

20 kA Current Lead

Resistive Insert  
Superconducting Outsert



# Technology Comparison



1.5 GHz Insert:  
~2,000 A Florida-Bitter Disk

Typical NMR Magnet:  
~300 A Superconducting Wire

20 mm

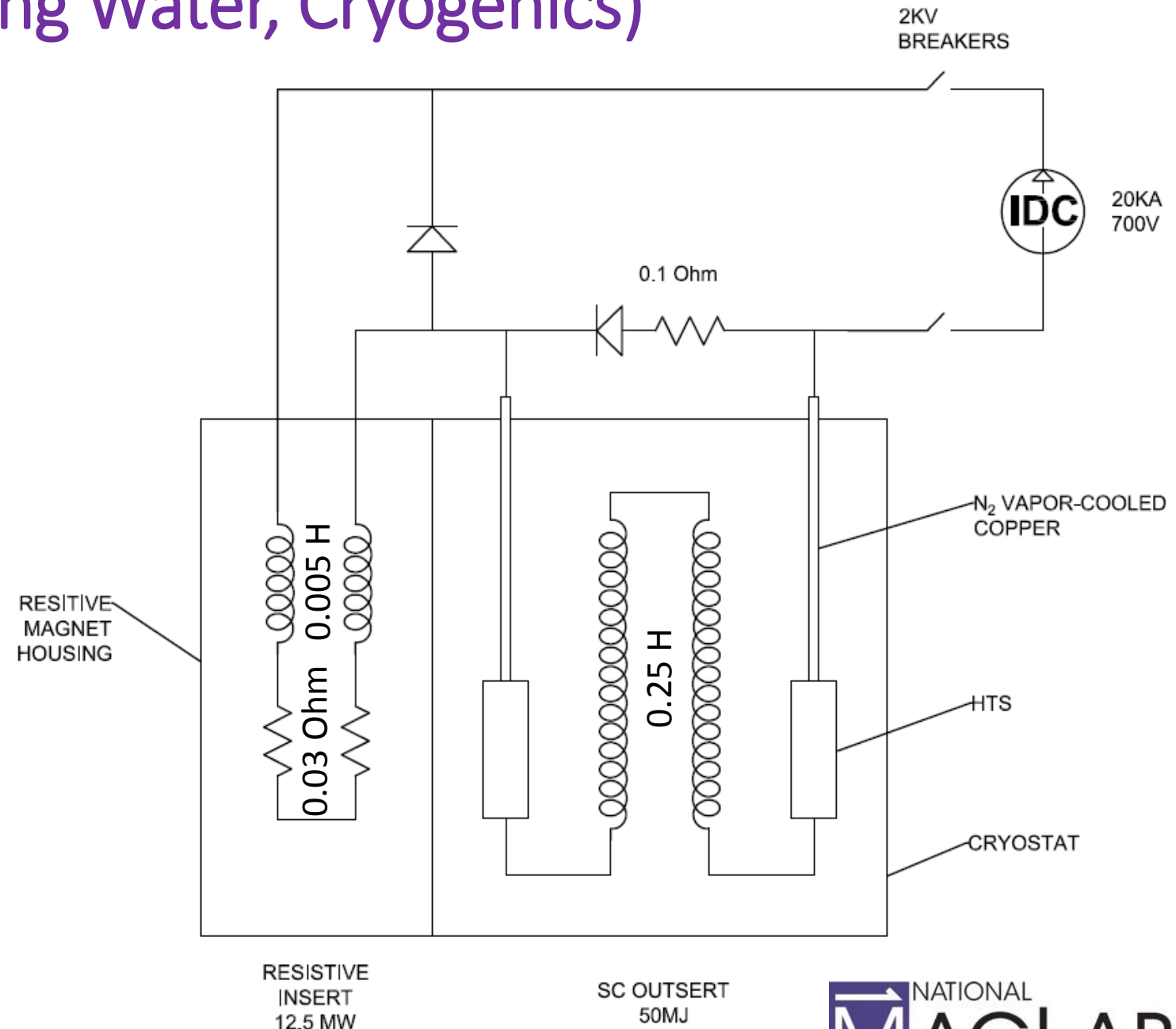
1.5 GHz outsert:  
20,000 A Cable-In-Conduit Conductor

	Typical NMR Magnet	1.5 GHz
Conductor	Single strand SC wire.	SC: >100 strands Resistive: Cu-alloy sheet metal
Current	200 A – 400 A	20,000 A
Inductance	Large (~1000 H for 0.9 GHz)	Modest (0.25 H for 1.5 GHz)
Power	~10 nWatts	12.5 MW (625 V in resistive magnet)
Joints	~0.01 nOhm	~1 nOhm
Coolant	LHe at 2 – 4 K to maintain.	SC: SHe at 4.5 K, 10 g/s to maintain. Res: H <sub>2</sub> O 10 C enter, 40 C exit.

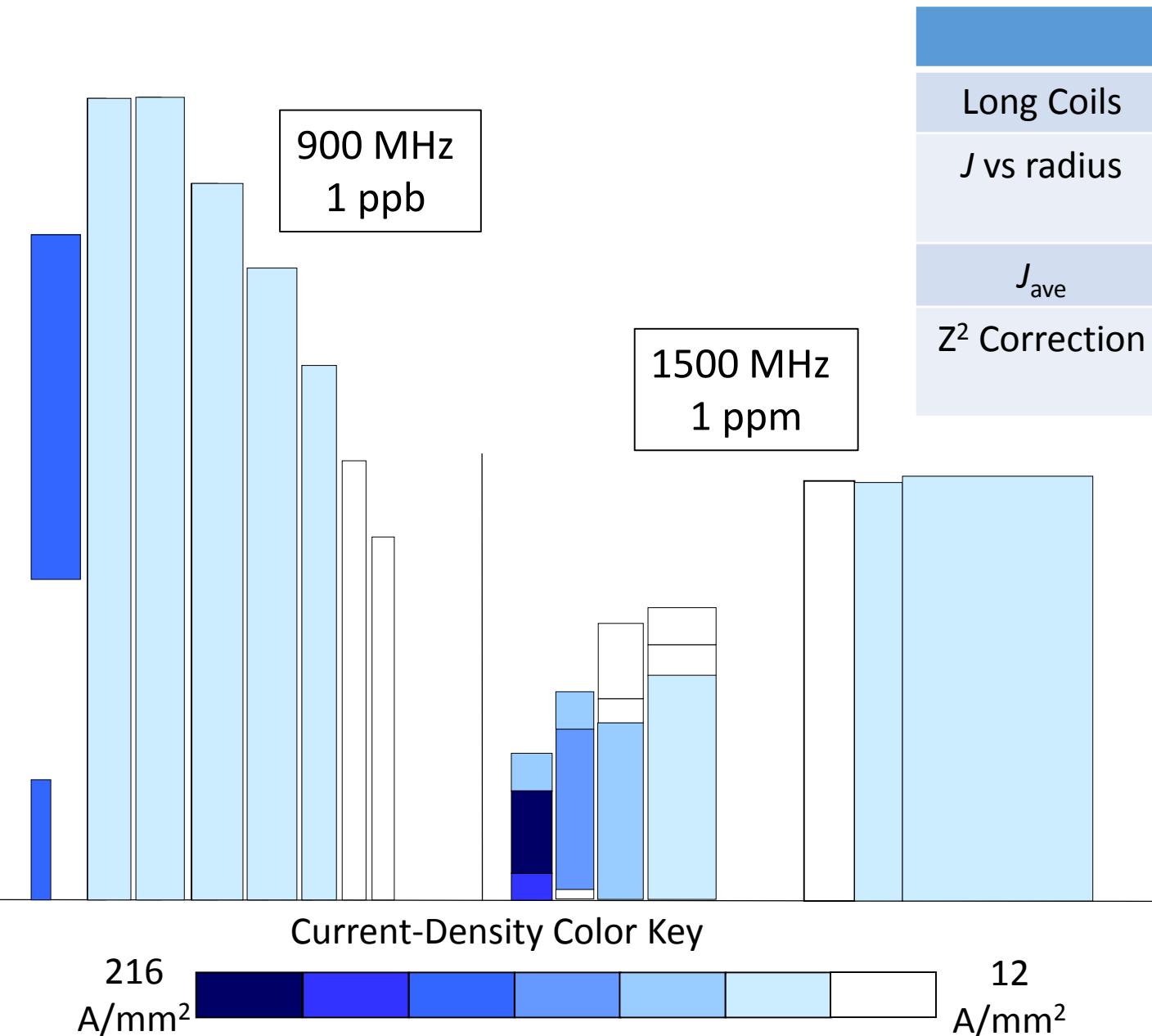


# Infrastructure (Power, Cooling Water, Cryogenics)

- During normal operation, breakers are closed and no current flows through the diodes.
- 12.5 MW resistive magnet is in series with 50 MJ superconducting magnet.
- If a quench is detected, breakers open 20 kA circuit (2 kV). (Glitch in incoming power also causes breaker opening.)
- **If quench occurs, loud bang due to breaker opening, roar due to helium venting.**
- Resistive and SC magnets discharge nearly independently.
- Energy of SC magnet dumped in external resistor.
- Energy of resistive magnet dumped internally.
- Cooling water system provides 126 l/s of H<sub>2</sub>O @ 8 C and 26 bar.
- Cryoplant provides 10 g/s of He @ 3.5 bara, 4. K.



# Current Density Distribution



	SC magnets	Resistive magnets
Long Coils	Uniform field	Extreme power
$J$ vs radius	Hi $B$ = Lo $J$ Outer coils have higher $J$ .	Large $R$ = Hi Power. Inner coils have higher $J$ .
$J_{ave}$	Large Coils.	Compact Coils.
$Z^2$ Correction	Notches at OD.	Reduced $J$ at mid-plane of ID.

$J$  = current density,  $B$  = magnetic field,  $R$  = radius



# Coil Mis-Alignment

Inhomogeneity arises from coils being shifted with respect to each other.

$$A = A_0 + A_2 z^2 + \dots$$

and

$$B = B_0 + B_2 (z - b)^2 + \dots$$

gives

- $A + B = (A_0 + B_0 + B_2 b^2) - 2bB_2 z + (A_2 + B_2) z^2 + \dots$
- For the innermost coil of the 35 T magnet,  $B_2 = -17.6 \text{ ppm/mm}^2$ .
- For 2-coil system, goal = 10 ppm /10 mm, tolerance = 0.028 mm.
- For 2-coil system, goal = 1 ppm /10 mm, tolerance = 0.0028  $\mu\text{m}$ .



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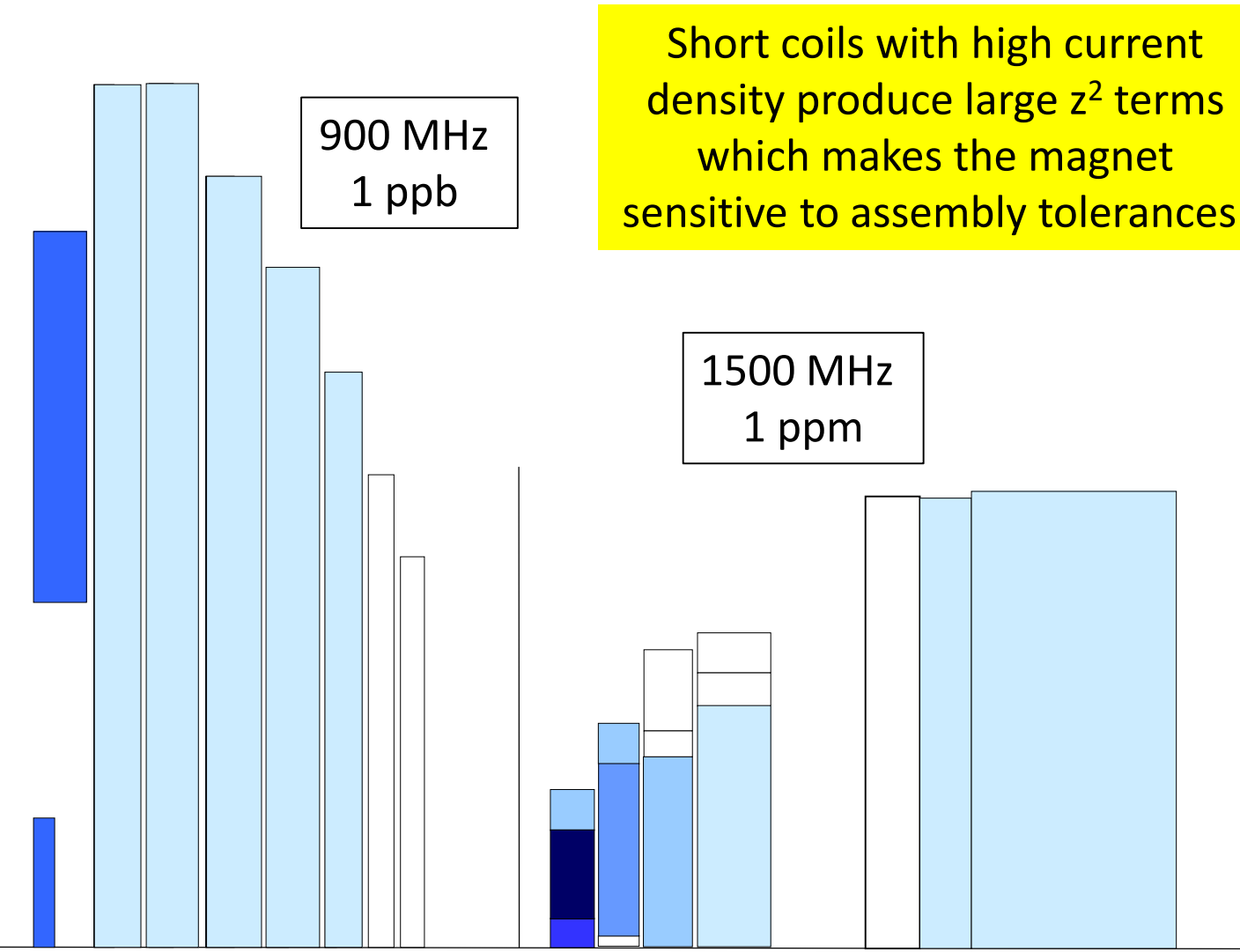
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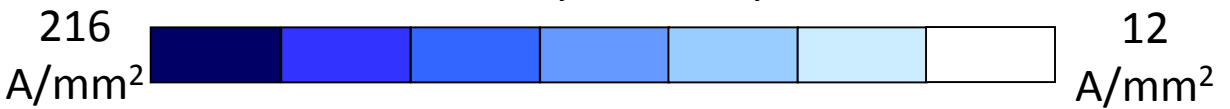


# Current Density Distribution



Short coils with high current density produce large  $z^2$  terms which makes the magnet sensitive to assembly tolerances.

Current-Density Color Key



900 MHz Coils	$Z^2$ term (T/m <sup>2</sup> )
1 (innermost)	-0.73
2	-0.80
3	-0.93
4	-1.14
5	-1.20
6	-0.98
7	-1.43
8	-6.03
9 (outermost)	13.28
<b>Total</b>	0.04

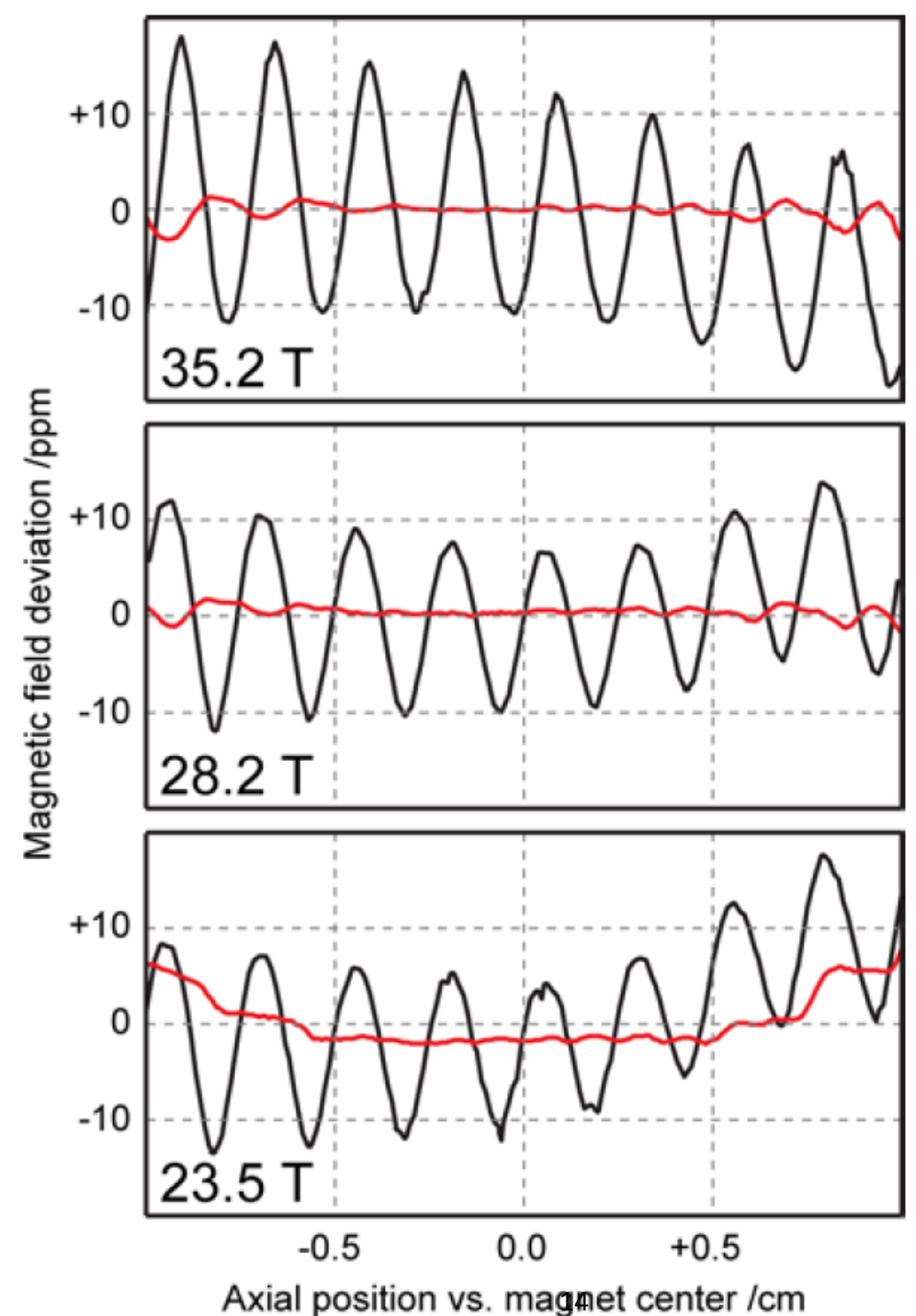
SCH Coils	$Z^2$ term (T/m <sup>2</sup> )
Resistive A	51.9
Resistive B	41.6
Resistive C	-32.9
Resistive D	-28.1
Superconducting	-29.7
<b>Total</b>	2.8

# Field Shimming

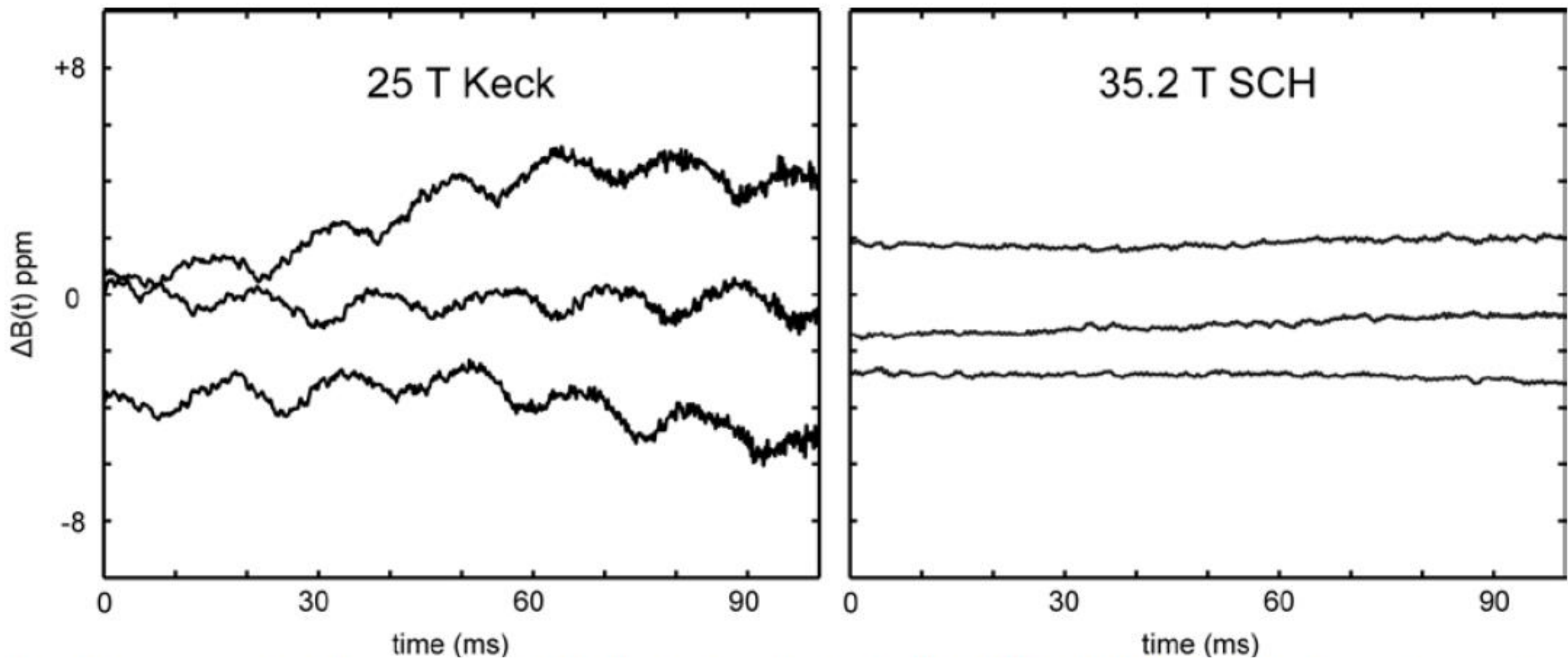
	SC NMR	1.5 GHz Hybrid
Raw	~10 ppm/cm	>100 ppm/cm, z
Coil Shifting	N/A	~25 ppm/cm, x
x, y, z, z <sup>2</sup> shims	SC coils at OD. < 1 ppm/cm	Ferrous strips ID. ~5 ppm/cm
Higher order shims	Resistive shims @ ID. 28 – 40 channels. ~ 1 ppb	Resistive shims @ ID. 7 channels total. < 1 ppm

Separate Ferromagnetic shim sets for 1.0, 1.2, & 1.5 GHz.

Ferromagnetic and resistive shims by Oxford NMR

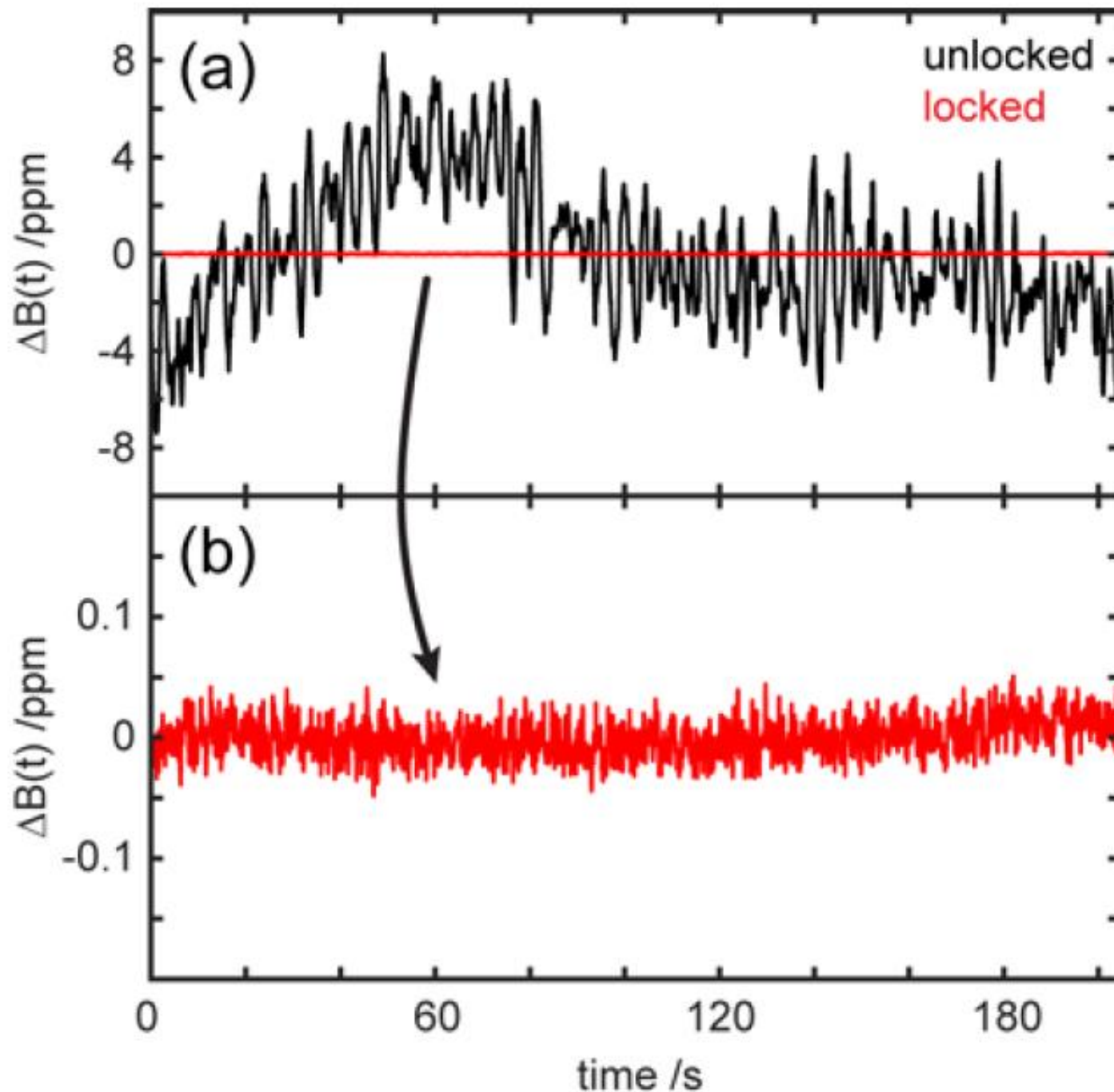


# Raw Field Stability: 14 MW Power Supply + Inductance



	25 T	35.2 T
Inductance (mH)	5	250

# Stabilized Field



External Bruker lock yields  $< 0.1$  ppm.

Traditional NMR Magnet:  
Persistent, no power supply,  $\sim 10$  ppb/hr.

1.5 GHz:

20 kA, 700 V power supply,  $< 0.1$  ppm

6.84 M LiCl aqueous solution doped with 750 mM MnCl<sub>2</sub> was used to provide a strong and fast responding <sup>7</sup>Li signal. The doping is necessary because a duration of  $\sim T_1$  is necessary for the continuous-wave (CW) NMR magnetization to reach a steady-state, which is essential for the NMR lock to function properly. In this instance, doping of the solution with MnCl<sub>2</sub> shortens the <sup>7</sup>Li  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  to the same approximate value of  $\sim 5$  ms (measured at  $B_0 = 14.1$  T) without severely broadening the line width of the signal.



# 28 T Mouse MRI Modification

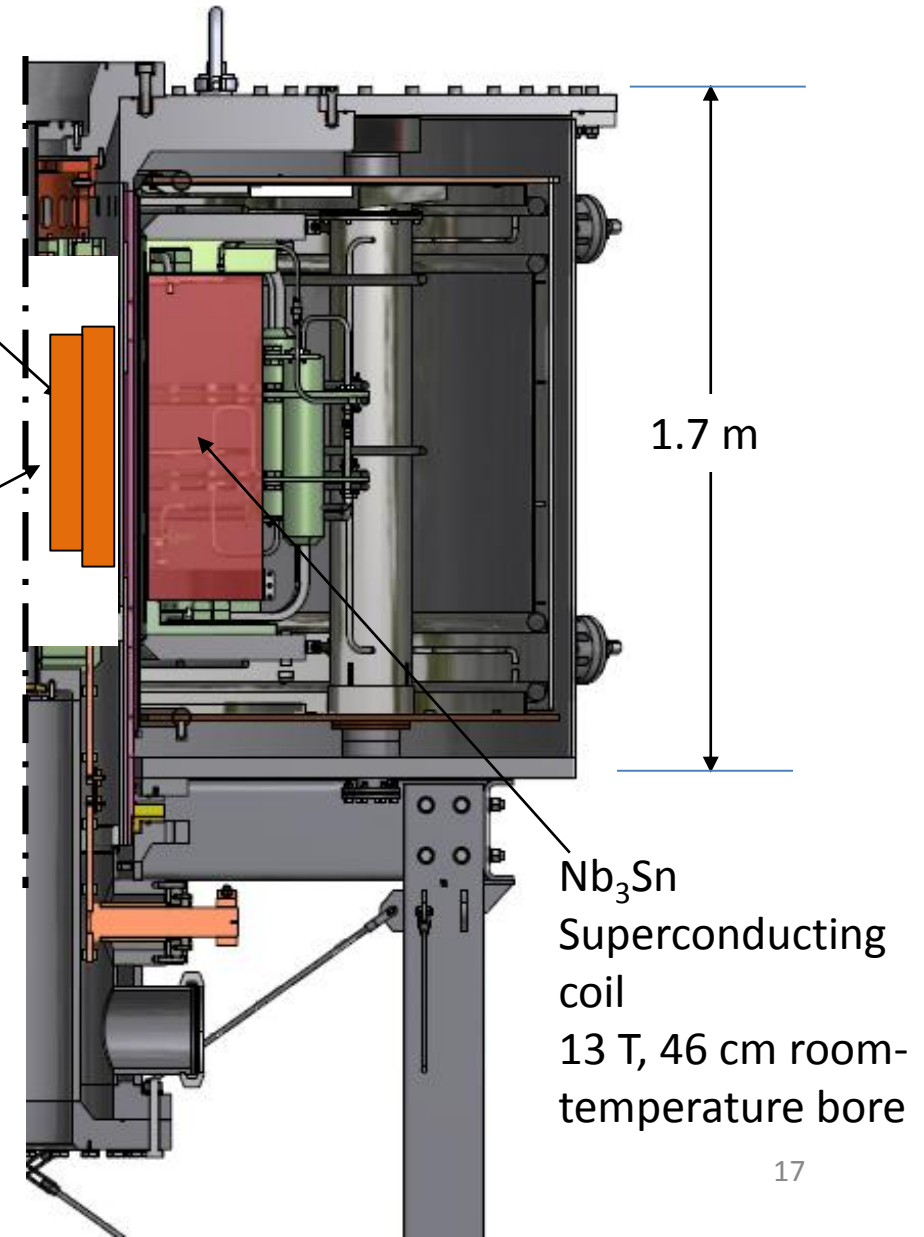
The resistive coils operate at ~90% of yield stress and will wear out occasionally due to metal fatigue.

It is possible to replace the resistive coils of this magnet with a set that provides lower field in a larger bore.

Configuration	Bore (cm)	FOV (cm)	Field (T)
Initial NMR	4	1	36
Intended MRI	9	3	28

Resistive coils for MRI:  
90 mm bore, 2 coils.

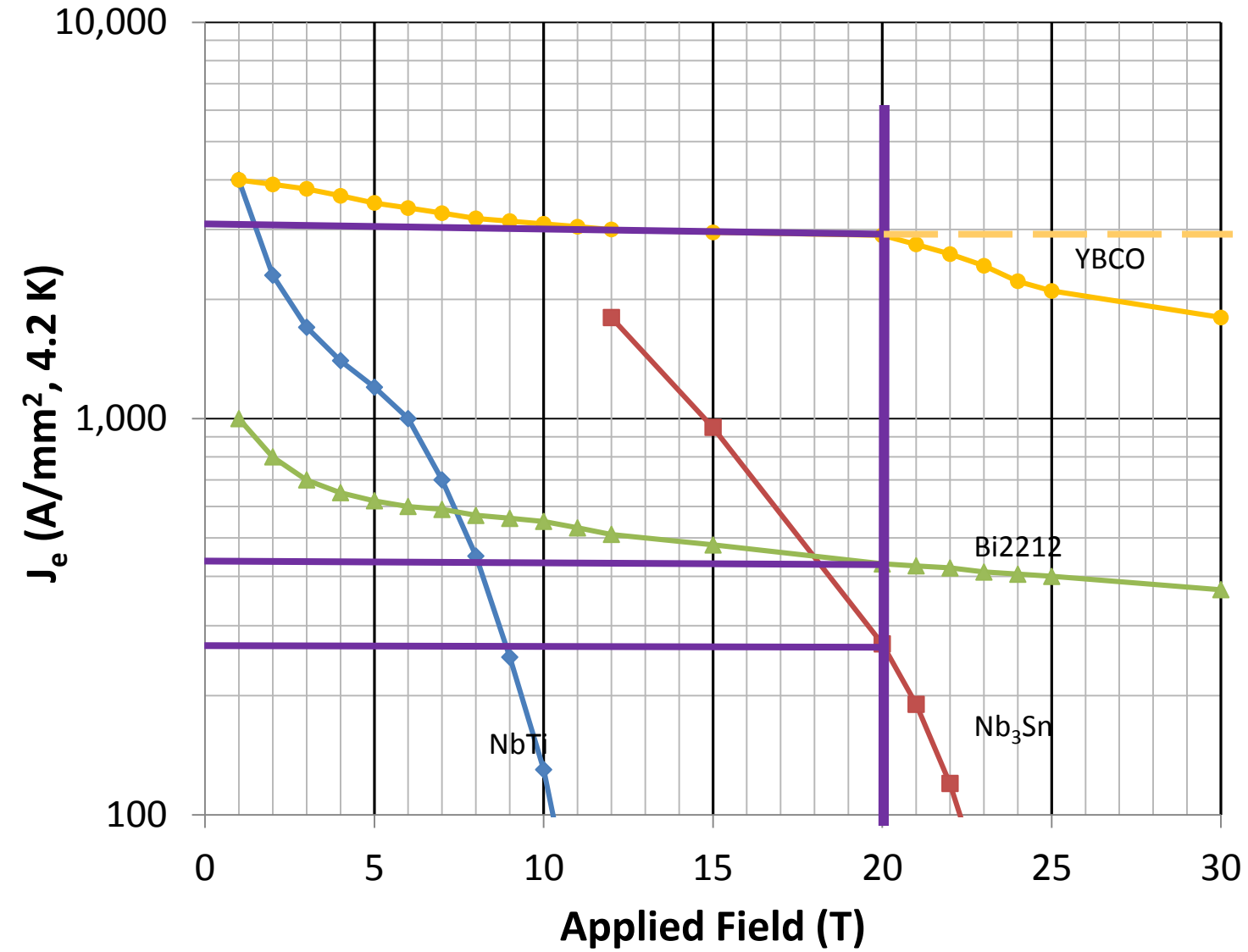
Resistive coils for NMR:  
40 mm bore, 4 coils.  
Operational 2016



Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn  
Superconducting  
coil  
13 T, 46 cm room-  
temperature bore



# High Temperature (& Field) Superconducting Materials

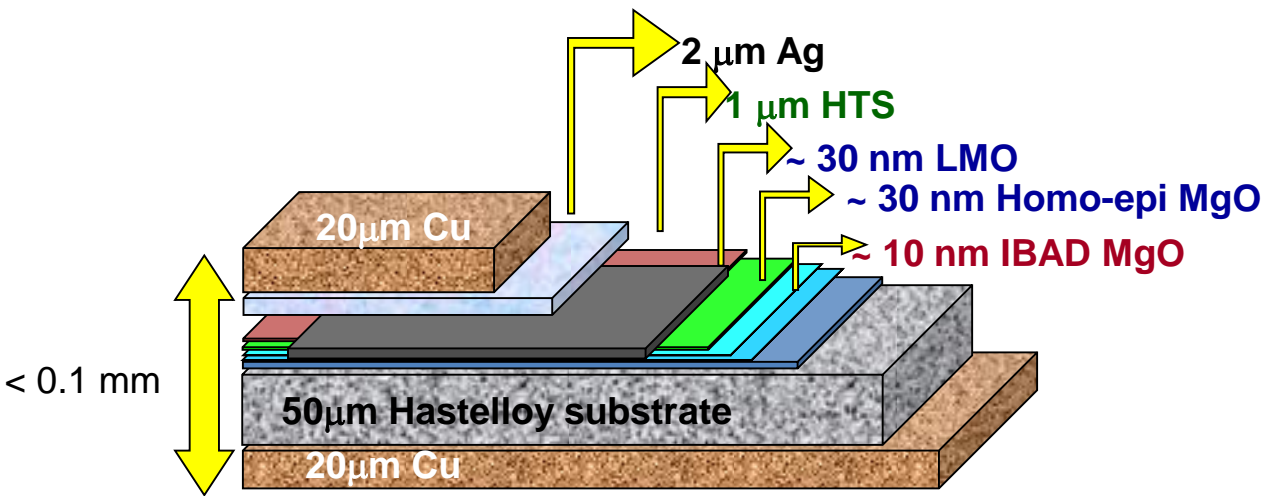
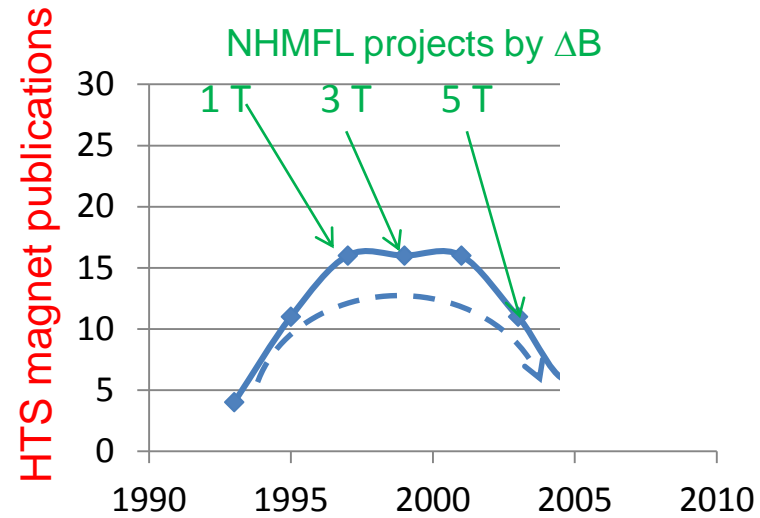


~1 ppb not possible with resistive magnets.

>24 T not possible with LTS magnets.

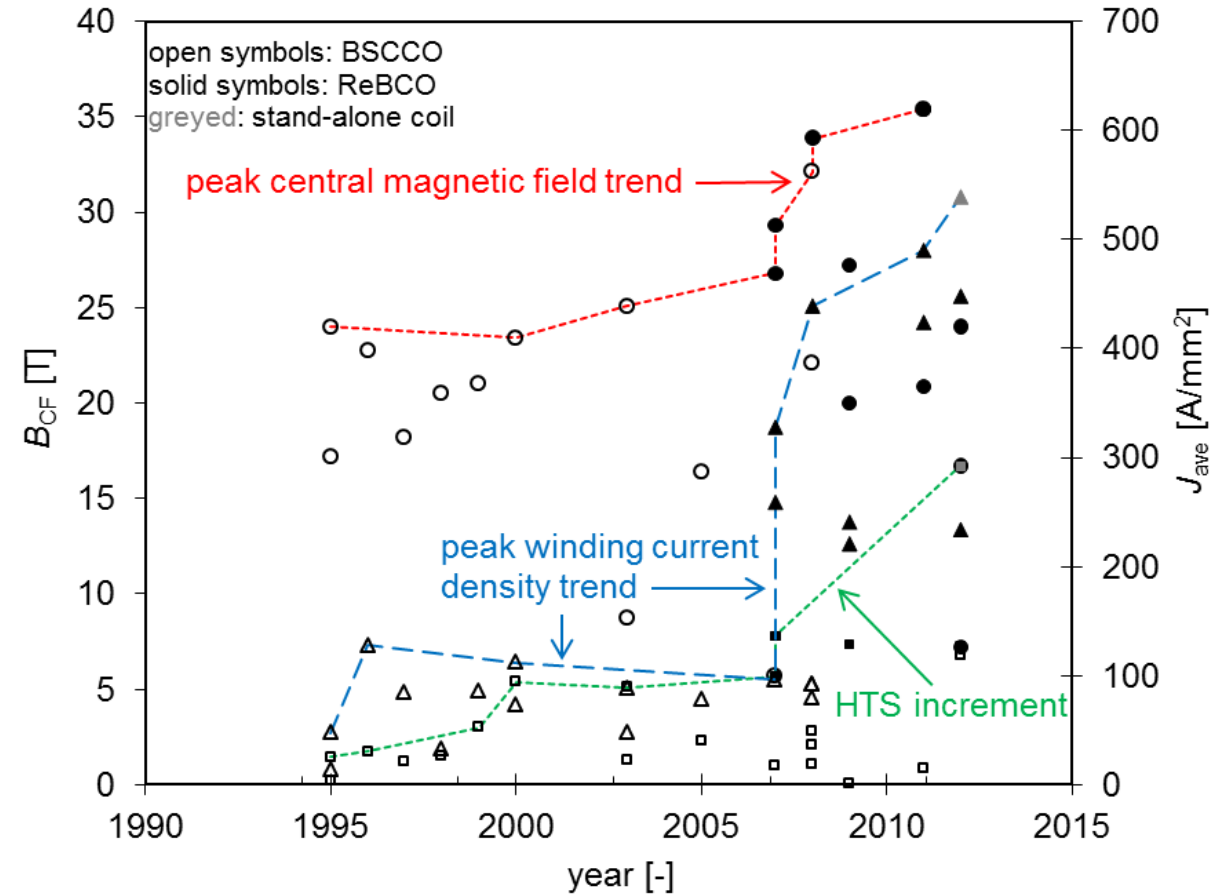


# HTS Materials Revolution



2G YBCO Tape – SuperPower - 2007

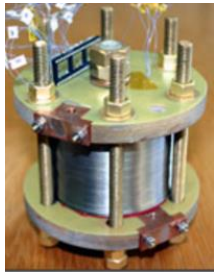
## HTS Test Coil Field and Current Density





# 32 T TBCO Technology Development

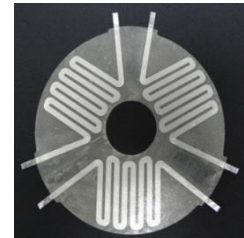
2007



2008

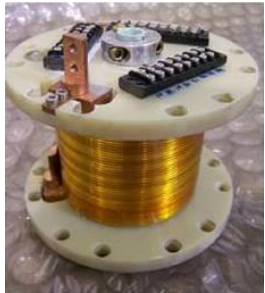


Prototype coils represent 20% of 32 T REBCO coils



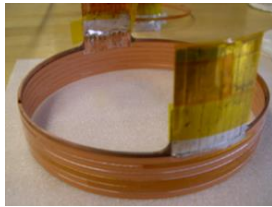
Quench heater

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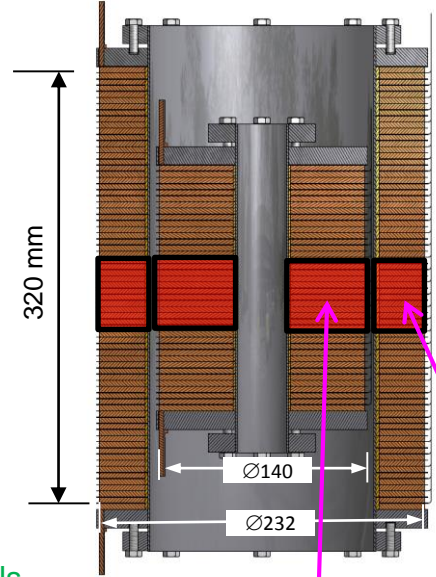


Demonstration inserts 20 T+ ΔB

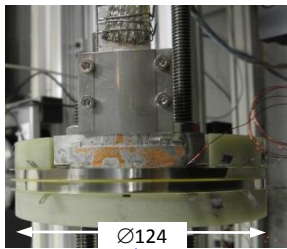
2009



High Hoop-stress coils >760 MPa



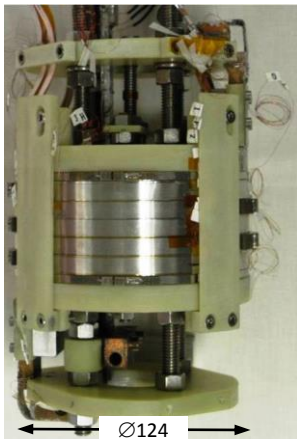
2011



First Quench Heaters

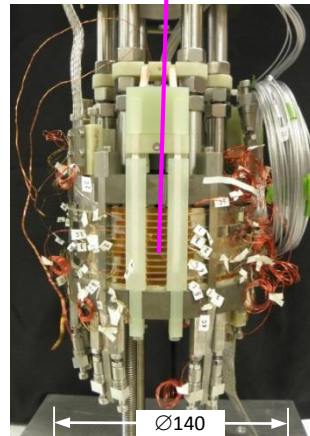
42-62 Mark 1: 1<sup>st</sup> test coil

2012



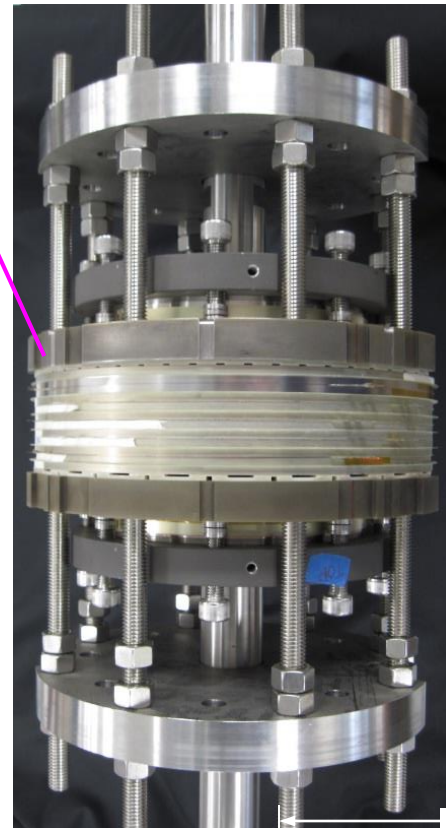
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2013



1<sup>st</sup> Full-featured Prototype

2014



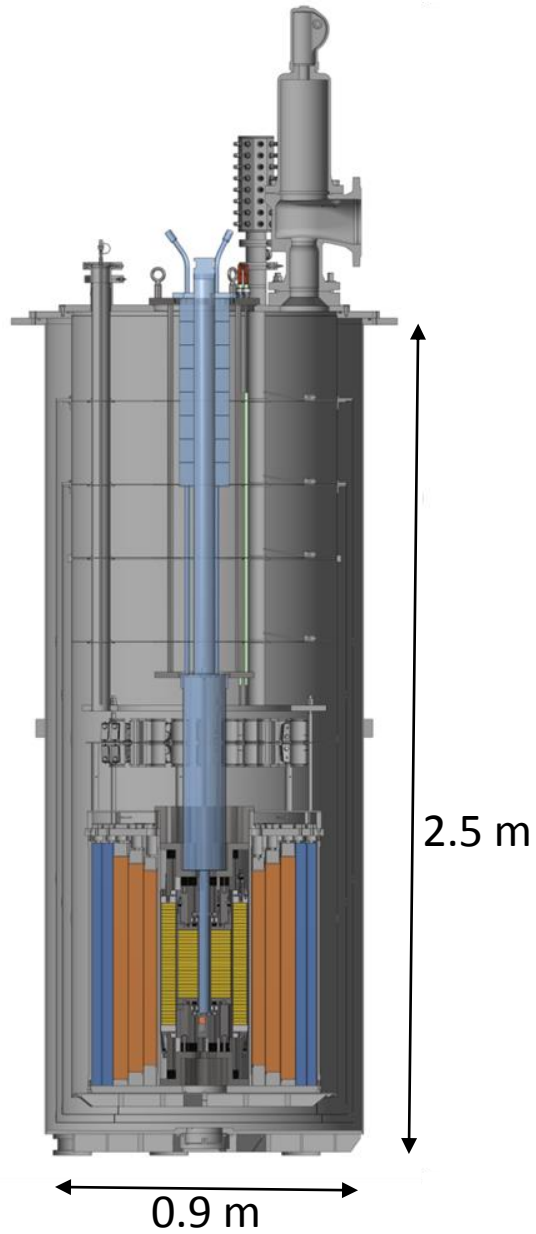
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## 7-Year Development:

- YBCO tape characterization & QA
- Insulation technology
  - Ceramic on co-wound SS tape
- Coil winding technology
- Joint technology
- Quench analysis & protection
- Extensive testing of components



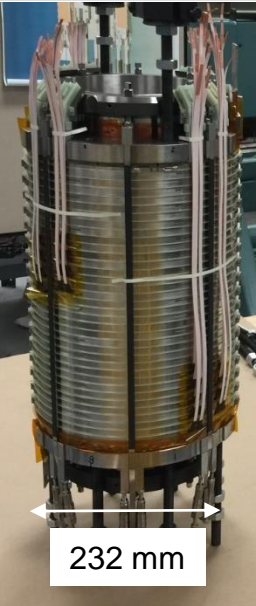
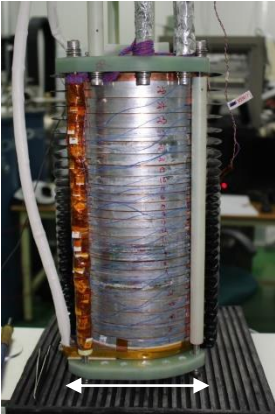


# 32 T Superconducting Magnet



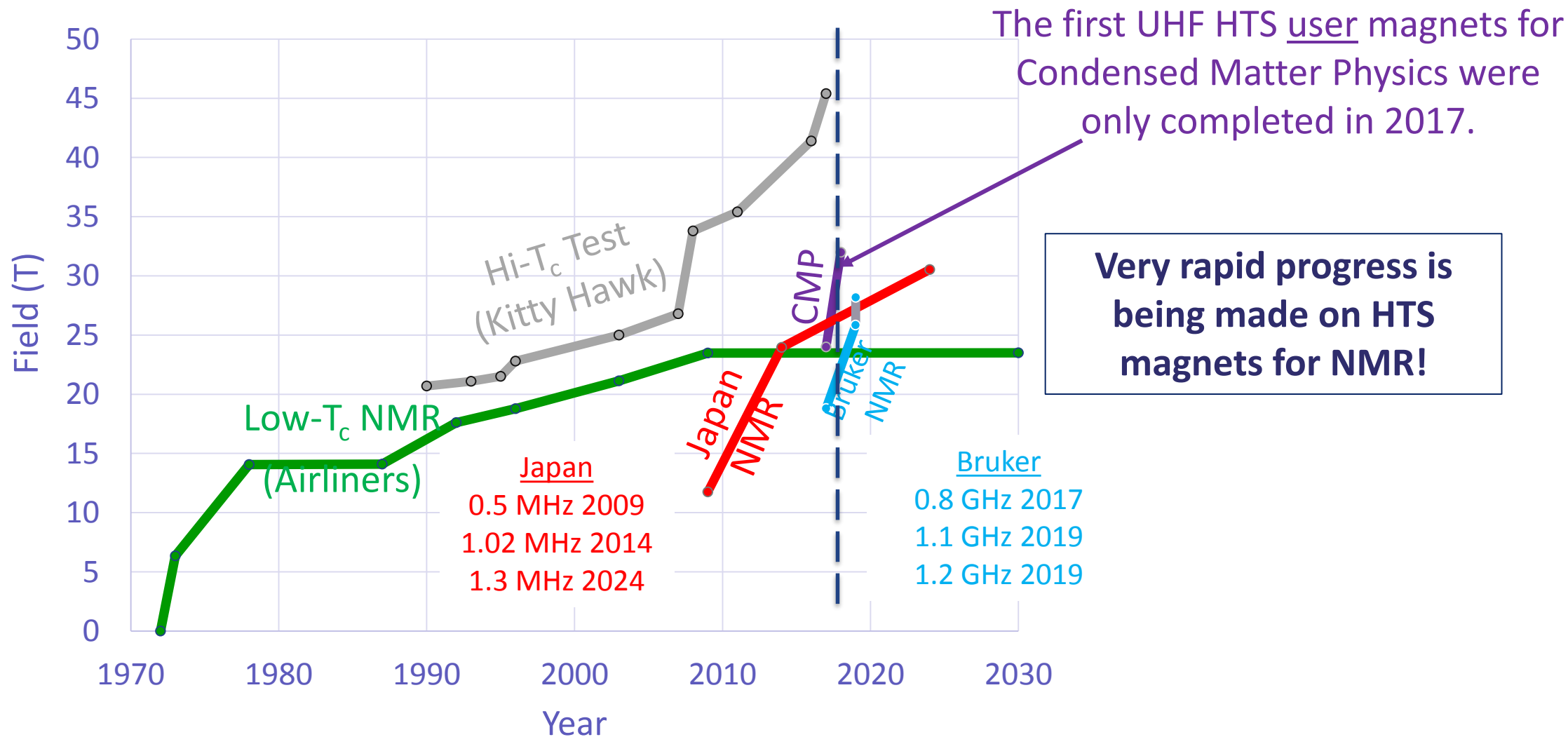
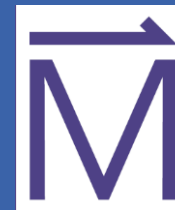
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# 30 T Superconducting NMR Effort

Insulated REBCO	No-Insulation REBCO	Bi2221	Bi2223
 <p>232 mm</p>	 <p>172 mm</p>	 <p>240 mm</p> <p>Platyplus 2212 – an NMR precursor mammal with a 2223 version under construction too</p>	 <p>240 mm</p>
<p>First Hi-Strength Tape available. Most technology development complete, including quench analysis and testing.</p>	<p>Extremely compact. Sometimes Self-Protecting.</p>	<p>Multi-filamentary is better for NMR.</p>	<p>Multifilamentary. High strength.</p>
<p>Some concern about single-crystal by the mile.</p>	<p>Limited quench modelling and active protection.</p>	<p>Over-Pressure Heat Treat. Few Test Coils. No quench modelling or testing.</p>	<p>Low current density. No quench modelling or testing.</p>

# Ultra High Field NMR Magnets



# NMR (User) Magnet Goal?



	~200 ppm	10 ppm	1 ppm	0.1 ppm	0.01 ppm
0.4 GHz			RIKEN, I-REBCO, 2014		RIKEN, I-REBCO, 2015
0.7 GHz			MIT, Bi2223, 2006		Bruker, I-REBCO, 2017 RIKEN, Bi2223, 2018
1.0 GHz	Sendai, Bi2223, 2017		Riken, Bi2223?, 2022		Bruker, LTS, 2009 NIMS, Bi2223, 2015
1.1 GHz					Bruker, 2019
1.2 GHz					Bruker, 2019
1.3 GHz					MIT, 2019 RIKEN, 2024
1.4 GHz	MagLab, I-REBCO, 2019				
1.5 GHz			MagLab, Res, 2017		
2.0 GHz	MagLab, Res, 2000		(MagLab EAC recommendation)		

Key: Complete, Underway, (proposed)



# We're Doing 1.5 GHz NMR, we hope you are too!



## 36 T SCH Magnet Project

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<u>Analysis</u>	<u>Design</u>	<u>Materials</u>	<u>Fabrication</u>	<u>Facilities</u>
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# Non-Destructive User Magnets: *Unique Magnets Enabled by Unique R&D*

