

# Superconductor Wire, Coils and Systems at Hyper Tech

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Wires: MgB<sub>2</sub> , High J<sub>c</sub> Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn

Cables: MgB<sub>2</sub>, NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, YBCO

Coils: MgB<sub>2</sub>, NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn,  
YBCO, BSCCO

Systems: MRI, SMES, FCL, Motors,  
Generators, Wind Turbine  
Generators

# Other Areas Technology that might be of interest NP community.

Sister Company- Eden Cryogenics- Cryogenic Customer examples- Fermilab, JL, SLAC, NASA, ORNL, etc.

Sister Company -Global R&D Inc- nano thickness (less than 800 nm thickness- multiple layers) inorganic membranes for gas separation, SOFC, water filtration (funded by DOE- Advanced Manufacturing)

Better wires than Cu and Al – using graphene and CNT, funded by AF, Army, NASA

New way to reduce cost of making complicated permanent magnet shapes

Additive Manufacturing for making RF cavities for Qubit Shielding

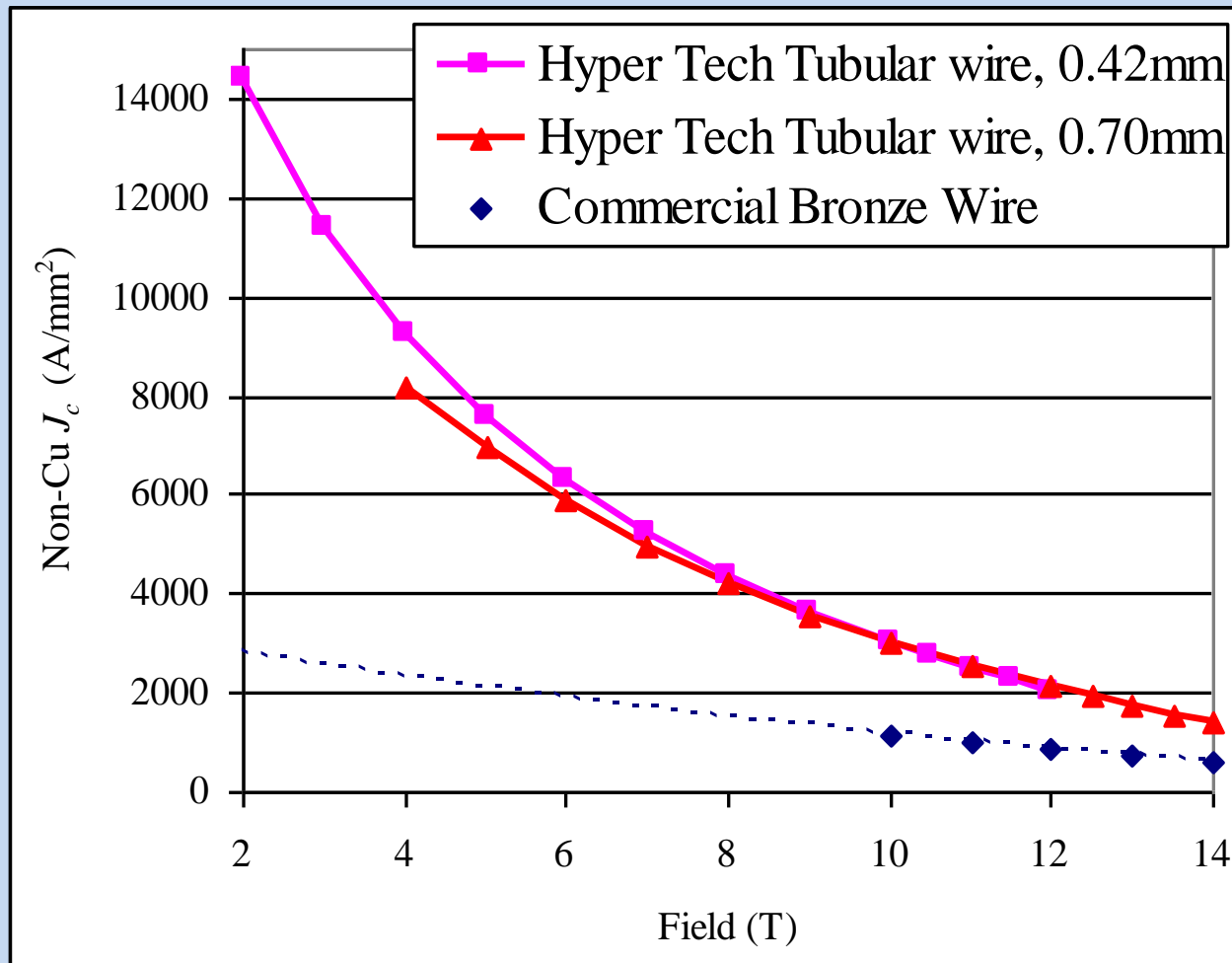
Potential New Dynamic Forming Process for making RF cavities

MgB<sub>2</sub> and YBCO Bulk Shapes (tubes) for beam shielding.



# Developing for HEP, improved Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn superconductors the target is to double the non-Cu J<sub>c</sub>

Present Commercial High J<sub>c</sub> , low field stable, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn superconductors



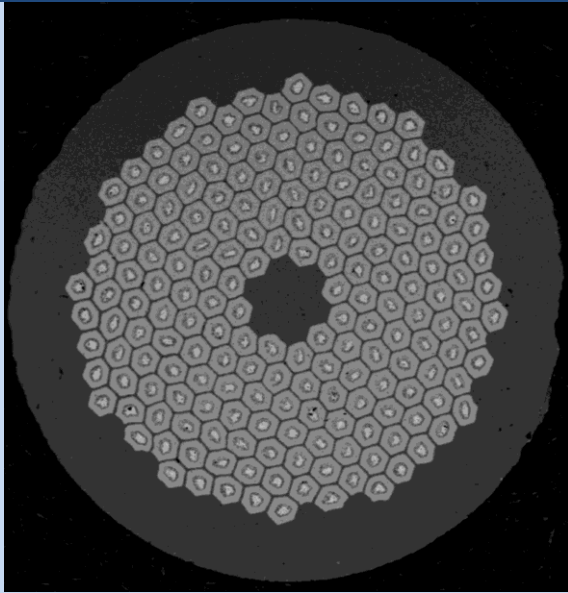
Patented  
New Development

Potential for  
Artificial Pinning  
Centers (APC)

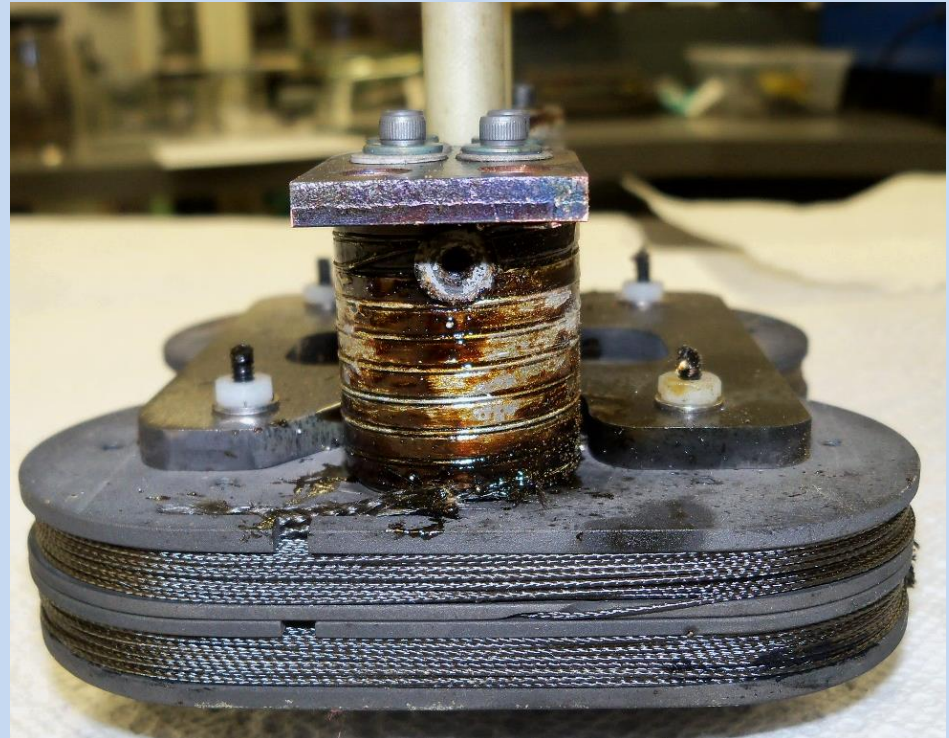
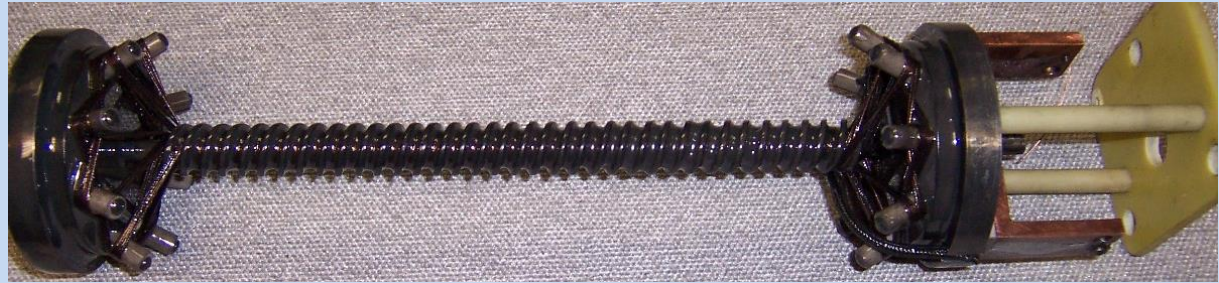
Goal is to Exceed  
CERN specification  
of 1500 A/mm<sup>2</sup>  
J<sub>c</sub> at 16T

# Applications on Short Period Undulators

Funded by DOE- Basic Energy Sciences



192 restack wire at 0.5 mm  
(filament size of 24  $\mu\text{m}$ )



## Helical Undulators

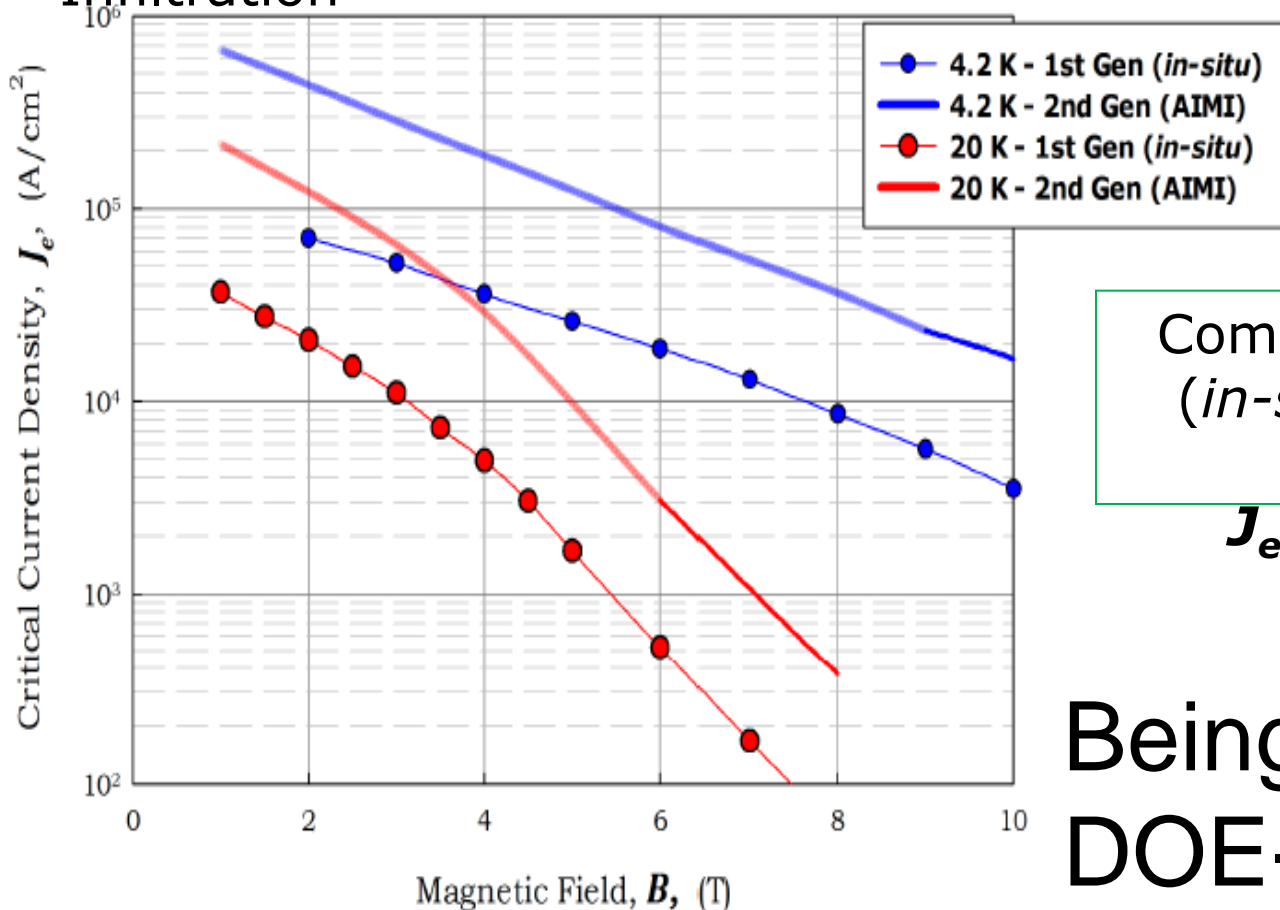
Period ( $\lambda$ )	14 mm
Winding bore	8.0 mm
Beam aperture	7.0 mm

## Planar Undulators

Period ( $\lambda$ )	14.5 mm
Beam aperture	7.0 mm

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation MgB<sub>2</sub> wire

“AIMI” refers to Advanced Internal Magnesium Infiltration



Comparison of 1<sup>st</sup> Gen (*in-situ*) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen (AIMI)

$J_e$  at 4K and 20K

Being Funded by  
DOE- Fusion



# Low AC Loss MgB<sub>2</sub> superconductor wire

Looking at 114-filament MgB<sub>2</sub> wire vs 2-60 Hz frequency and 2 T on wire

Low AC Loss MgB <sub>2</sub> Wire types	OD/d/L <sub>p</sub> (mm/micron/mm)	Filament No.	Frequency, Hz	I <sub>c</sub> , amps	I <sub>op</sub> , amps (50% of I <sub>c</sub> )	J <sub>c</sub> at 2.0T, 20 K, A/cm <sup>2</sup>	λ, %	Total (W/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Total (W/m)
Round wire	0.85/28/5	114	2	150	75	178000	15	0.0281	0.0159
Round wire	0.85/28/5	114	8	150	75	178000	15	0.133	0.076
Round wire	0.85/28/5	114	16	150	75	178000	15	0.321	0.182
Round wire	0.85/28/5	114	60	150	75	178000	15	2.37	1.34

**Hyper Tech Research Inc.**

**Phase II Title: Long Length Welded NbTi -CIC  
Superconducting Cable for Accelerator  
Applications,**

**For Superconducting Dipoles and Quadrupoles  
for Thomas Jefferson Laboratory  
Electron Ion Collider**

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# Development partners



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42,000 sq ft facility



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# Outline

- ⌘ Motivation of SBIR project
- ⌘ Phase II efforts
- ⌘ Background on technology
  - CIC
  - NbTi Superconductors
  - MgB<sub>2</sub> superconductors
  - Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn superconductors

# Motivation of project: JLab MEIC

## JLab MEIC Figure 8 Concept

- ◆ **Initial configuration:**
  - 3-10 GeV on 20-100 GeV ep/eA collider
  - Optimized for high ion beam polarization:
    - polarized deuterons
  - Luminosity:
    - up to few  $\times 10^{34}$  e-nucleons  $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- ◆ **Low technical risk**
- ◆ **Upgradable** to higher energies  
250 GeV protons on 20 GeV electrons
- ◆ **Flexible** timeframe for Construction  
consistent w/running 12 GeV CEBAF
- ◆ **Thorough cost estimate completed**  
**presented to NSAC EIC Review**
- ◆ **Cost effective operations**

→ Fulfills White Paper Requirements

## Current Activities

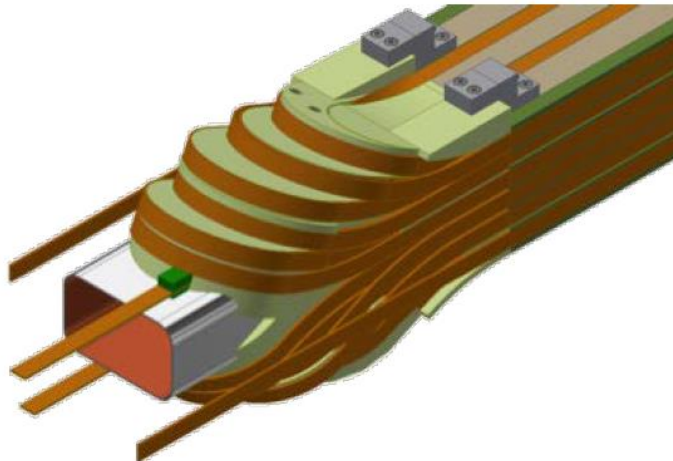
- ◆ Site evaluation (VA funds)
- ◆ Accelerator, detector R&D
- ◆ Design optimization
- ◆ Cost reduction



# Motivation of project: MEIC Magnet R & D

- JLab is collaborating with Texas A&M for the design and prototyping of **super-ferric magnets** for the ion collider ring and for the booster
- Design and prototyping of **high field, large aperture, compact super-conducting magnets** for the collider Interaction Regions and Final Focus
- Texas A&M developed 2 approaches to winding cable for the super-ferric magnets:

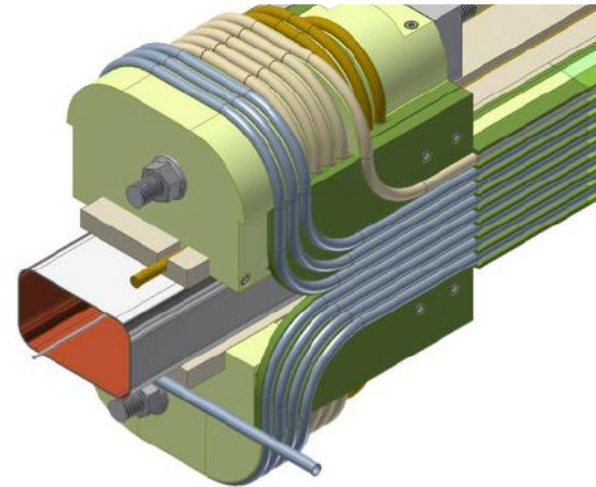
NbTi Rutherford cable



**Pros:** Uses mature cable technology (LHC).

**Cons:** Ends tricky to support axial forces.

NbTi Cable-in-Conduit

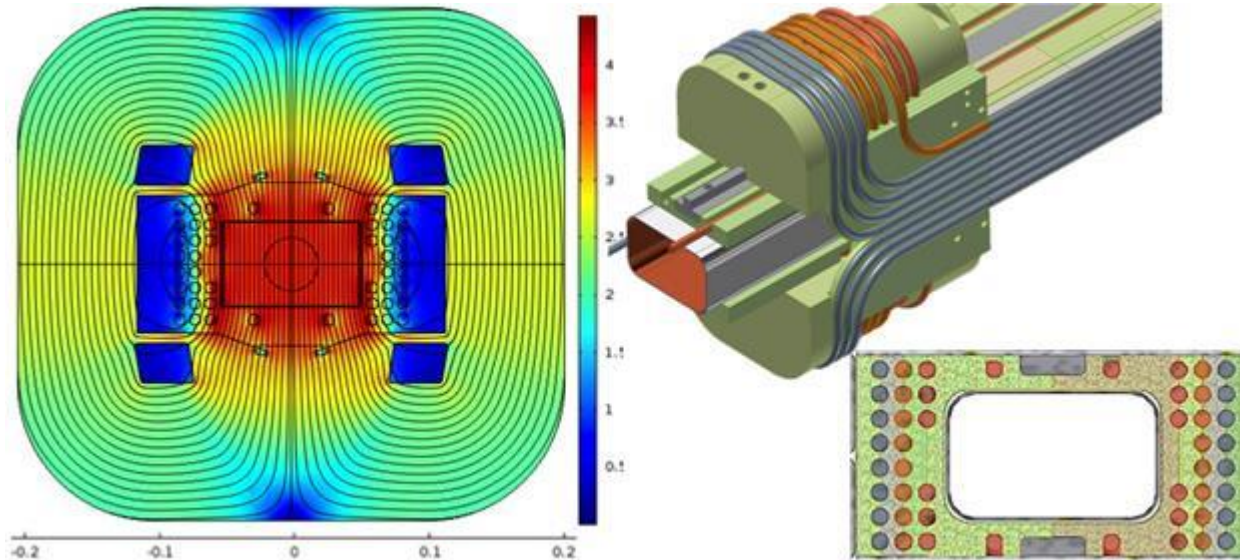


**Pros:** - Semi-rigid cable makes simpler end winding.  
- Semi-rigid round cable can be precisely located.  
- Cryogenics contained within cable.

**Cons:** Cable requires development and validation.

# Cable-in-conduit technology

The ARL group has developed a design for a superferric dipole that utilizes a round NbTi cable-in-conduit (CIC) conductor. ARL has completed a Conceptual Design for the magnet and its conductor, and ARL has built a mockup winding to develop the fabrication tooling and methods.



3.5 T CIC-based design for the Ion Ring arc dipole: magnetic field design (*left*); winding design (*upper right*); cross-section of winding structure (*lower right*).

The CIC innovation has the enormous benefit that it eliminates the cryostats (the CIC cable is the cryostat), gives robust structure to the windings, and dramatically simplifies the interconnections for cryogenics.



# Motivation behind current project



cabling wires onto perforated spring tube



cutaway showing foil over-wrap

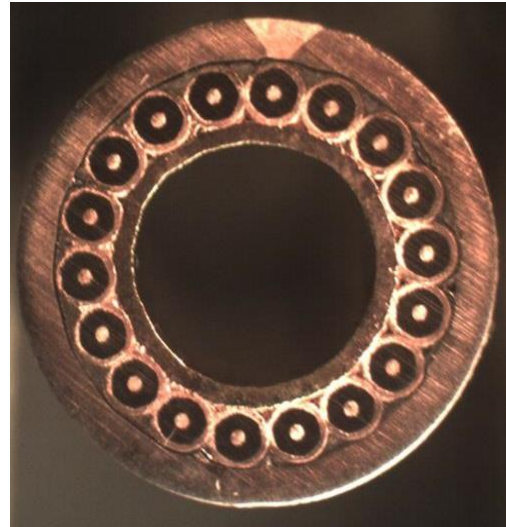


Cross section showing NbTi strands

- Challenge: the cable must be pulled into a sheath tube, and the sheath tube must be drawn down onto the cable to compress the superconducting wires against the perforated spring tube core. ARL has made short segments (few meters).
- But each 4-m long MEIC arc dipole will require a  $\sim 400$  m long continuous length of CIC conductor. **What is needed is a method to continuously form a tube onto the cable and longitudinally weld the seam to make an arbitrarily long CIC segment.**

# Laser-welded CIC-CTFF NbTi cables

- The feasibility of manufacturing long length CIC cables has been demonstrated under this STTR grant for small diameter NbTi CIC cables.
- CuNi outer sheath formed around cable and laser welded in tube form at Hyper Tech.
- Both TAMU and Hyper Tech have performed leak and bend tests on cables manufactured at Hyper Tech.





# CIC-CTFF Cabling Steps



Perforated Inner Tube



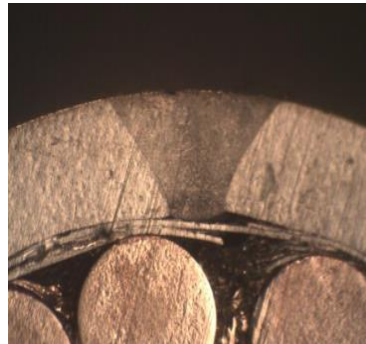
Stranding and Tape Wrapping



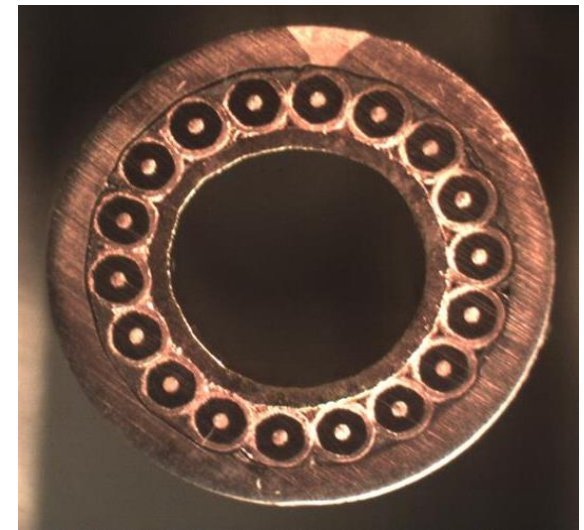
Pre-Cable



Continuous Tube Forming  
and Filling Machine



Laser Weld of  
Outer Sheath

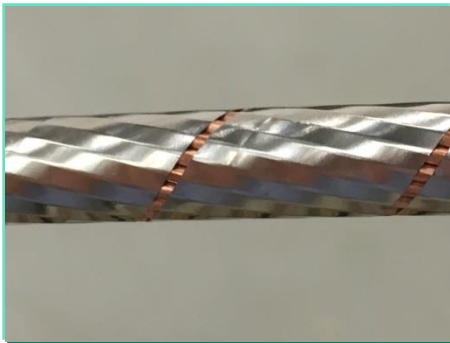


Cross Section of Final  
NbTi Cable

# CIC-CTFF Cable Length Demonstrations

Demonstration of cable lengths for 3T magnet cable

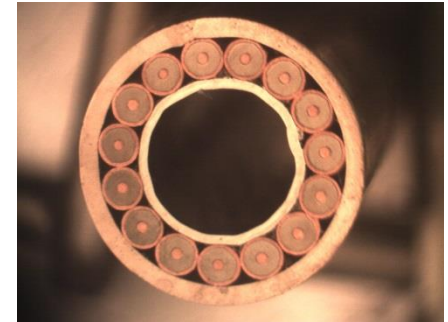
- 2 meter lengths of NbTi cable completed
- 10 meter lengths of NbTi cable being worked on
- 125 meter length of NbTi cable to be fabricated
- ATC winding coil using the 125 meter cable



Picture of Pre-Cable



Welded CIC-CTFF Cable

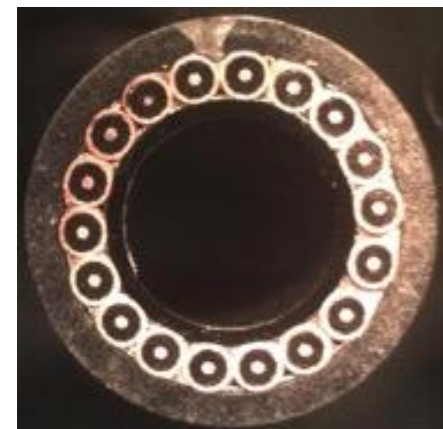
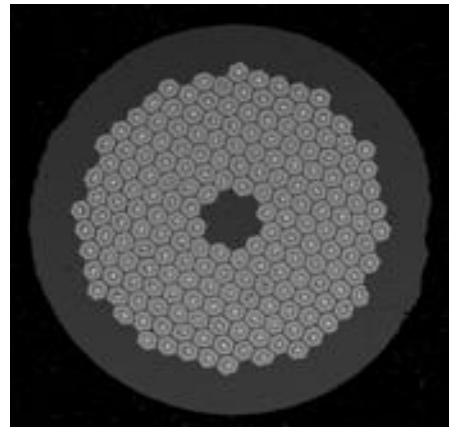
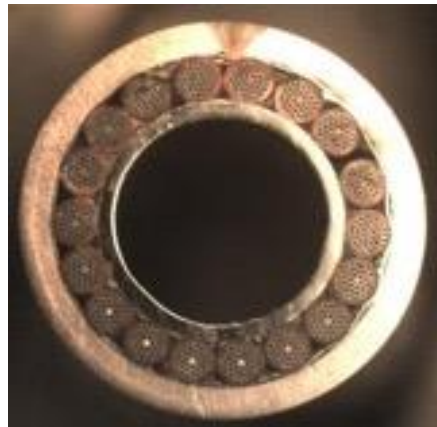
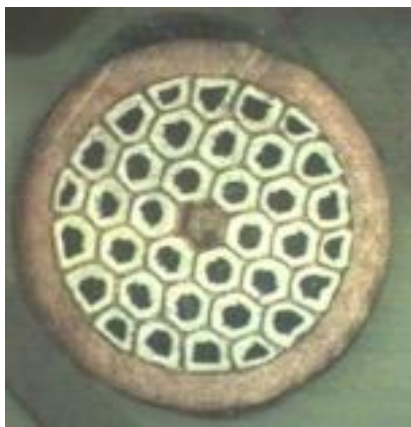


Cross Section

10 meter cable length

# Cross Section of CIC-CTFF cables, MgB2 wires and Nb3Sn wires

Under a NP SBIR Phase I we demonstrated CIC-CTFF MgB2 and Nb3Sn cables, in future we intend to apply the cable approach to round (Re)BCO superconductors

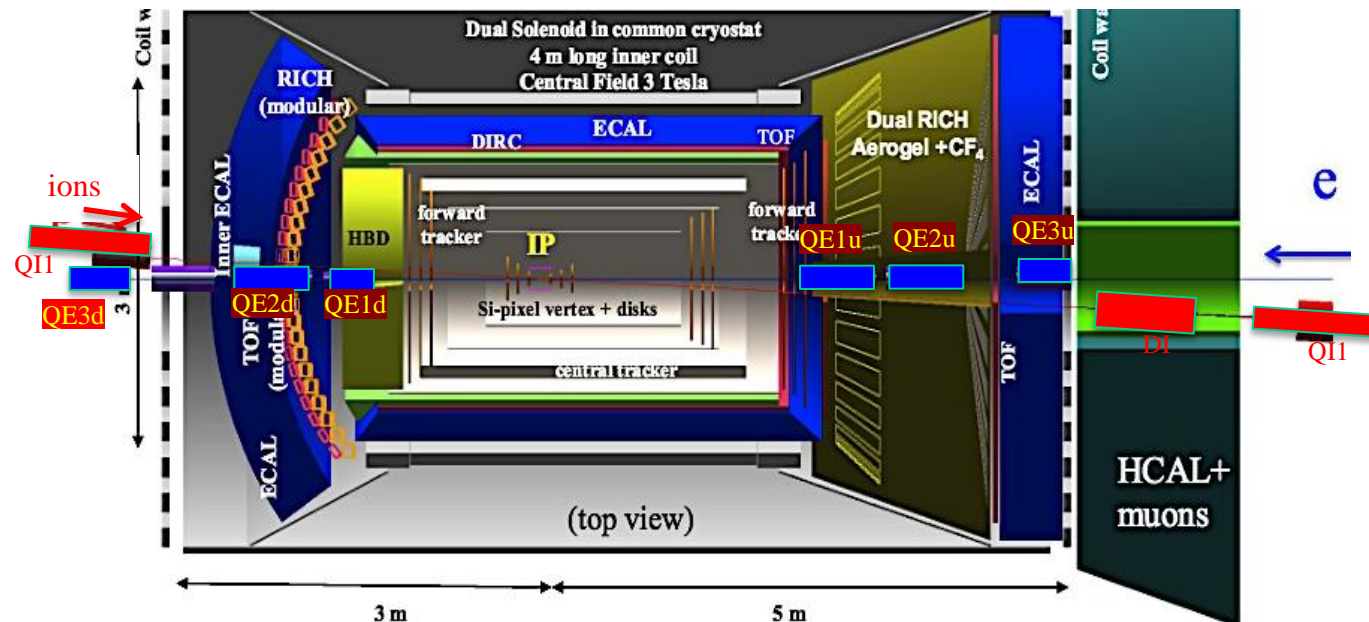


MgB2 strand and CIC-CTFF Cable      Nb3Sn strand and CIC-CTFF Cable

# Coils designed using MgB<sub>2</sub> and Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn

MAGNET				CABLE				
Magnetic field	90 T/m	2.3 T	60 T/m	Superconductor	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	MgB <sub>2</sub>	MgB <sub>2</sub>	
turns/pole	120	84	20	d <sub>strand</sub>	0.8	1	0.8	mm
<a href="#">operating current</a>	9.0	4	1.0 kA	Non-SC/SC	1.5	10	10	
B <sub>max</sub>	11.55	2.47	2 T	# strands	15	18	6	
J <sub>sc</sub>	3000	2830	3200 A/mm <sup>2</sup>	d <sub>CIC</sub>	5.79	7.8	3	mm
<a href="#">stored energy</a>	2.9	0.264	0.003 MJ/m	Dia of inner tube	1/8	3/16	0.0315	inch
<a href="#">operating temp</a>	4.2	10	10 K	Dia of outer tube	1/4	3/8	1/8	inch
				Wall thickness	0.02	0.02	0.01	inch

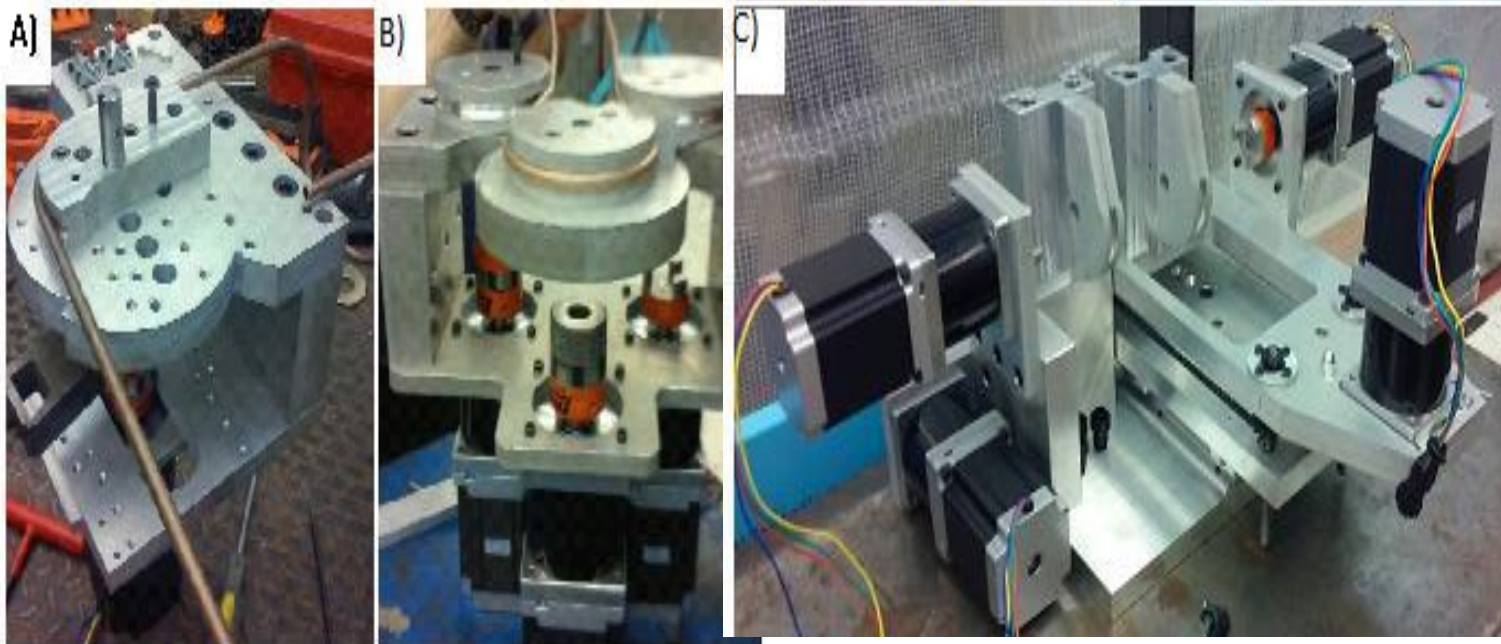
- Quadrupole FF magnet QI1 requires Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn.
- DI, QE1, QE2, and QE3 magnets require MgB<sub>2</sub>.



MEIC IP1 central detector. The nine closest magnetic elements are shown.



# Bending Tools for Dipole Magnets



**Motorized bending tools: a) bender to form 180° U-bend while maintaining round sheath; b) bender to form a dog-bone end for the sextupole winding turn; c) bender to flare the U-bend to form a 90° end winding.**

During our Phase II we will make coil using 125 meters of the CIC-CTFF cable



**Mockup winding of coil at ATC- uses copper tubing as the simulated CIC cable.**



# Eddy Current Device for Detecting Flaws in the Laser Welded Tube



**Controller**



**Pick-Up Coil**

# Test that has been performed on CIC-CTFF Cable

- 1.-Helium leak check the as fabricated cable.
- 2.-High pressurize test to 600 psi and helium leak check again.
- 3.-Dunk the cable in LN2 and helium leak check again.
- 4.-Bend samples  $180^\circ$  (+  $27^\circ$  over-bend), one with weld facing the compaction side and the other the expansion side of the weld. Bend test were performed at an angular velocity of  $150^\circ/\text{min}$ . After bending, the samples are tested again for helium leaks.
- 5.-The bent cable is then tested at high pressurize to 600psi and then helium leak checked again.
- 6.-The bent cable is dunked in LN2 and then helium leaked check again.

# CIC cable technology potential

## Commercialization possibilities:

- Cables - NbTi, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, MgB<sub>2</sub>, and YBCO for physics applications
- Low AC loss cables for SMES,
- Cables for 10-20MW wind turbine generators
- Cables for high speed motors and generators for passenger aircraft

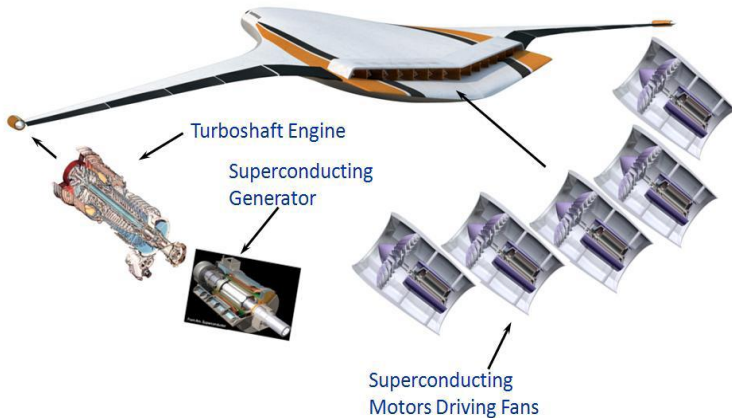
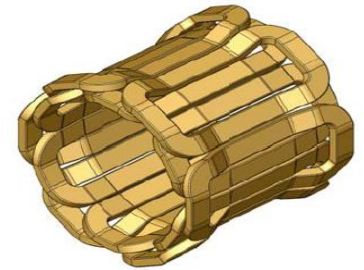
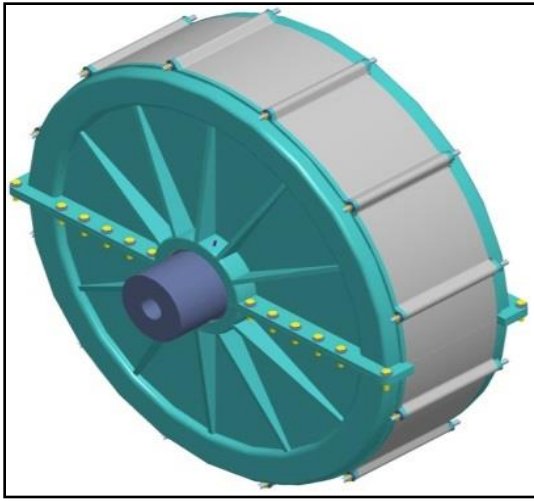
## Advantages

- Thermal: internal cooling
- Mechanical: robust outer sheath and cable design
- Multiple number of strand conductors in the cable

# Motors and generators

## Advantages of $MgB_2$ :

- Reduction of size and weight of machine
- No joints in rotor pole (long length conductor)
- Faster normal zone propagation
- Meets current density requirements ( $< 4T$ )
- Made round to be easier to configure into complex coil geometries
- Significant reduction of cost
- Persistent coils



## Concepts and projects using $MgB_2$ :

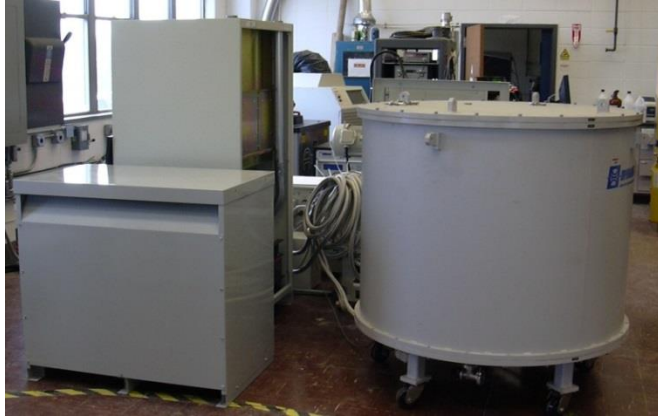
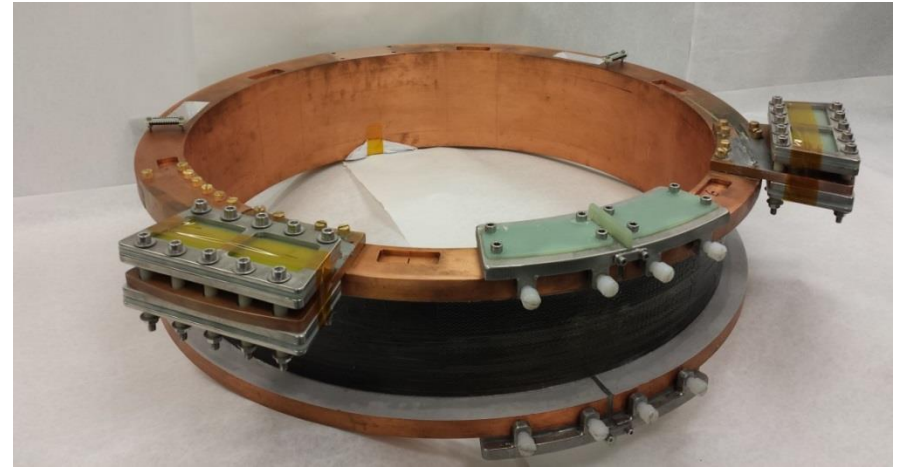
- Hyper Tech has designed a modular 5 MW land based direct drive wind turbine generator that is transportable, sponsored by **DOE**
- All cryogenic 10 MW Superconducting wind turbine rotor and stator, S. Kalsi (2014 *IEEE Transactions of Applied Superconductivity* **24**)
- NASA 1-2 MW high speed motor demonstrator
- Studies in being conducted in Europe-electric aircraft

# MgB<sub>2</sub> Fault Current Limiter

Coil for resistive SFCL



Coil for inductive SFCL



Conduction cooled cryostat at Ohio State University for testing both inductive and resistive SFCL coils

## Advantages of MgB<sub>2</sub>:

- Low cost wire, much lower than HTS
- Can vary thermal conductivity by wide choice of resistive & conductive materials
- Is in a wire form that can be wound bi-filar and can be twisted and/or braided to reduce AC loss
- Is readily available in quantity and lengths
- Wire can be sized to designed current level

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