

# Time-of Flight Wide-Angle Neutron Spin-Echo at STS

# EXPANSE

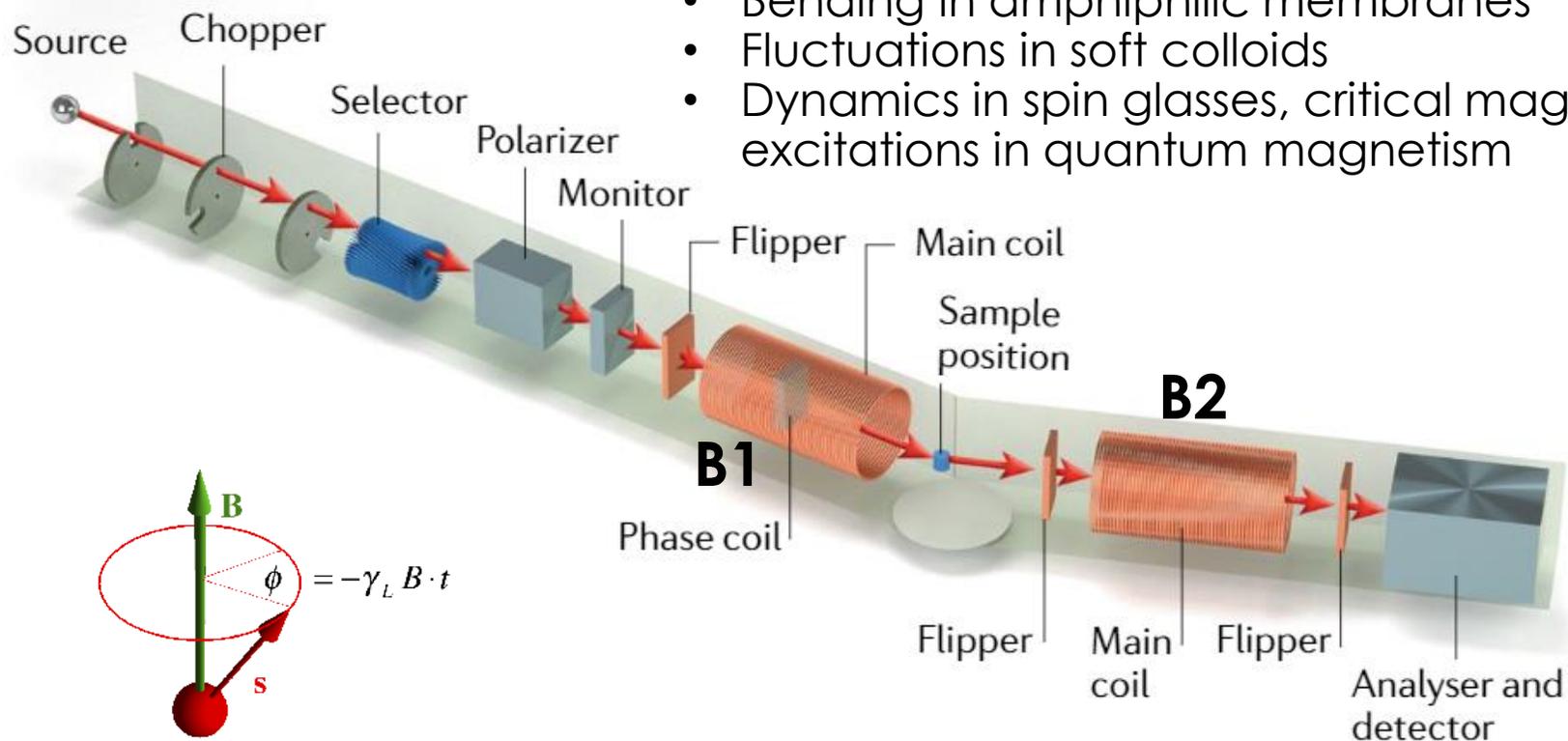
## Proposed Instrument Characteristics and New Science Opportunities

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# Neutron Spin Echo Spectrometer

- High energy resolution ( $\sim 1$  neV)
  - Slow relaxation in polymers
  - Bending in amphiphilic membranes
  - Fluctuations in soft colloids
  - Dynamics in spin glasses, critical magnetic fluctuations, emergent excitations in quantum magnetism



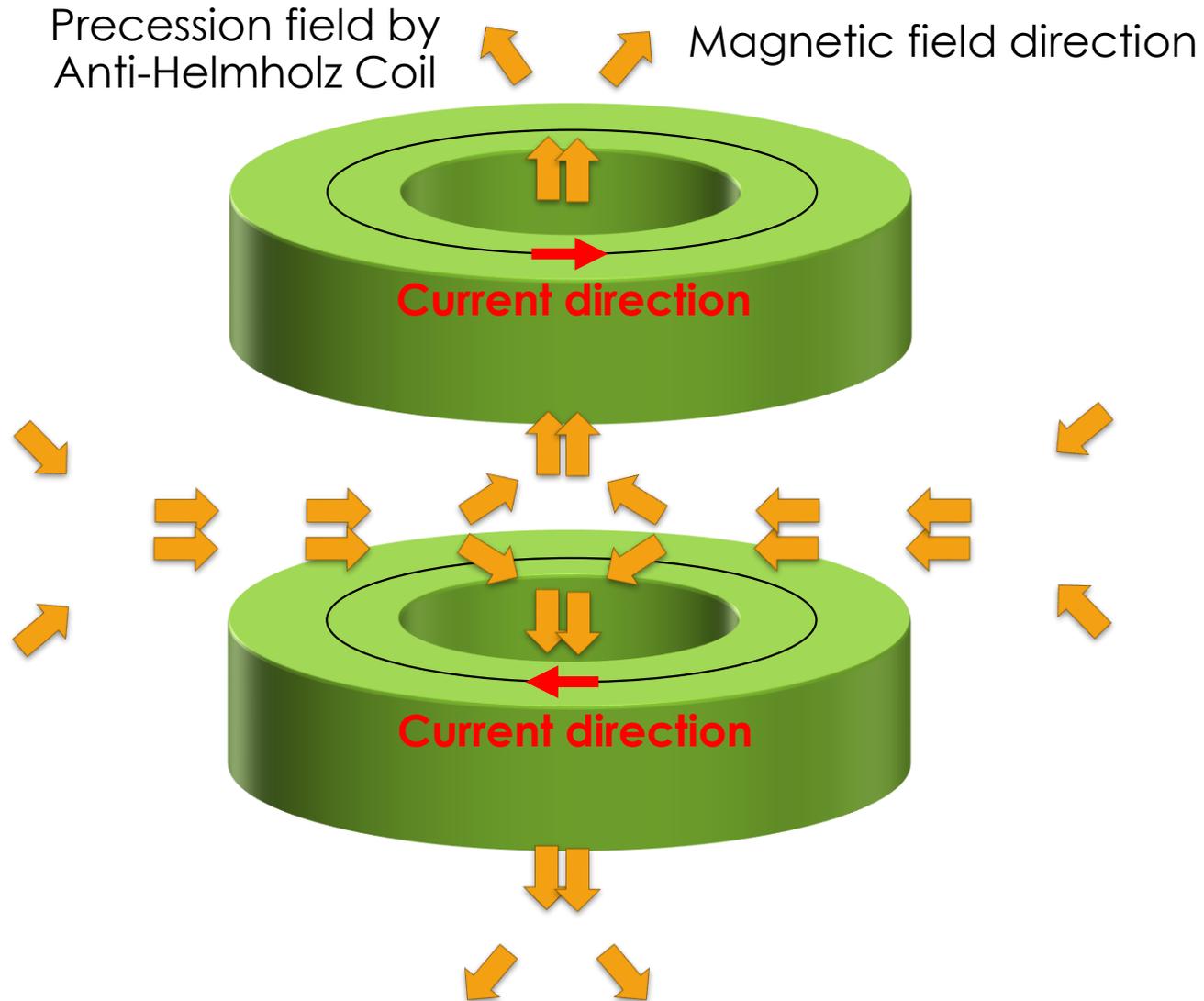
- Neutron's **spin precesses in the field B1 and B2**
- Neutron's energy change can be observed from the polarization of the beam
- Intermediate scattering function,  $S(Q, t)$

- Achieving higher energy resolution by high field integrals

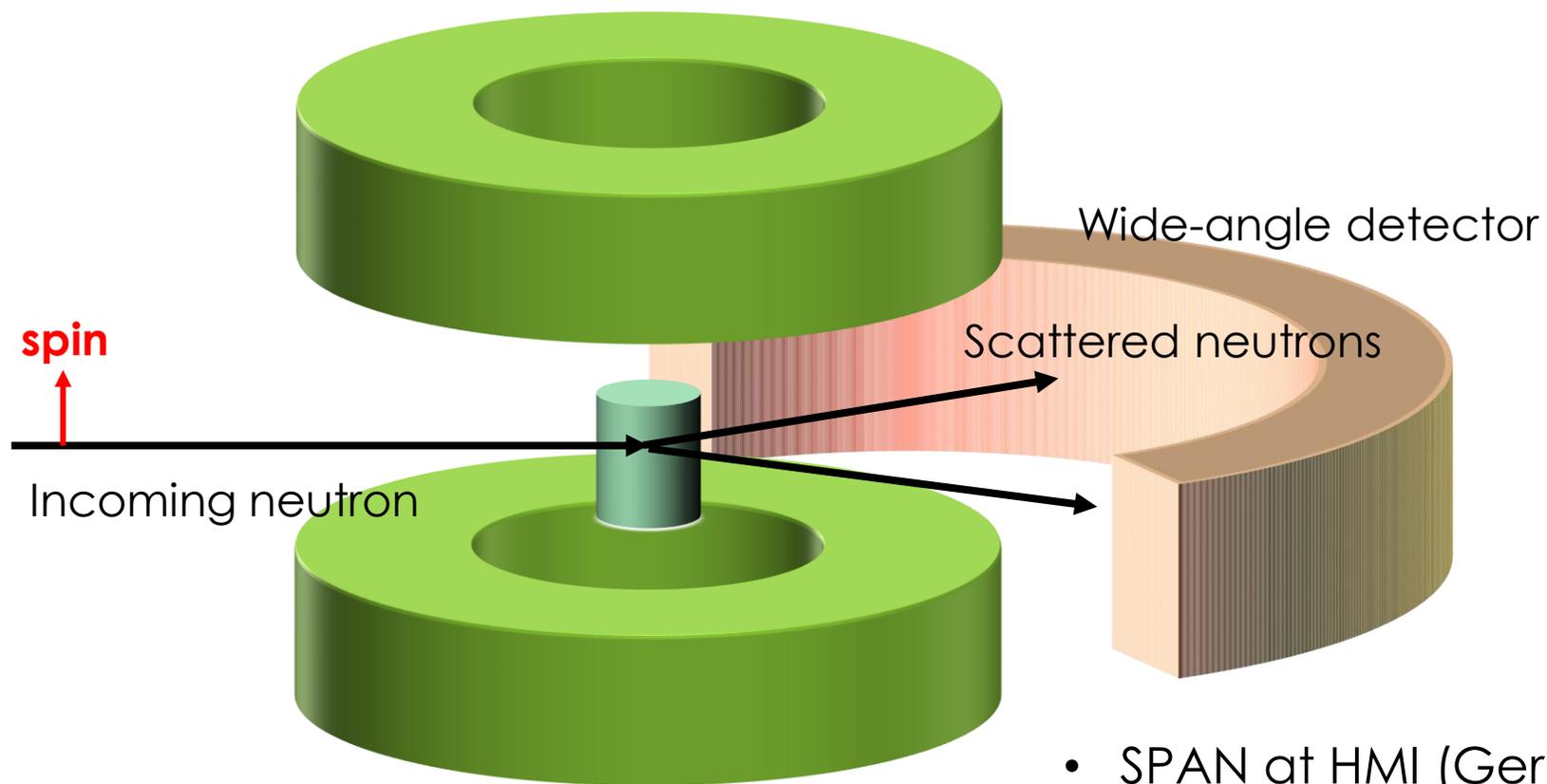
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SPAN, HMI



WASP, ILL

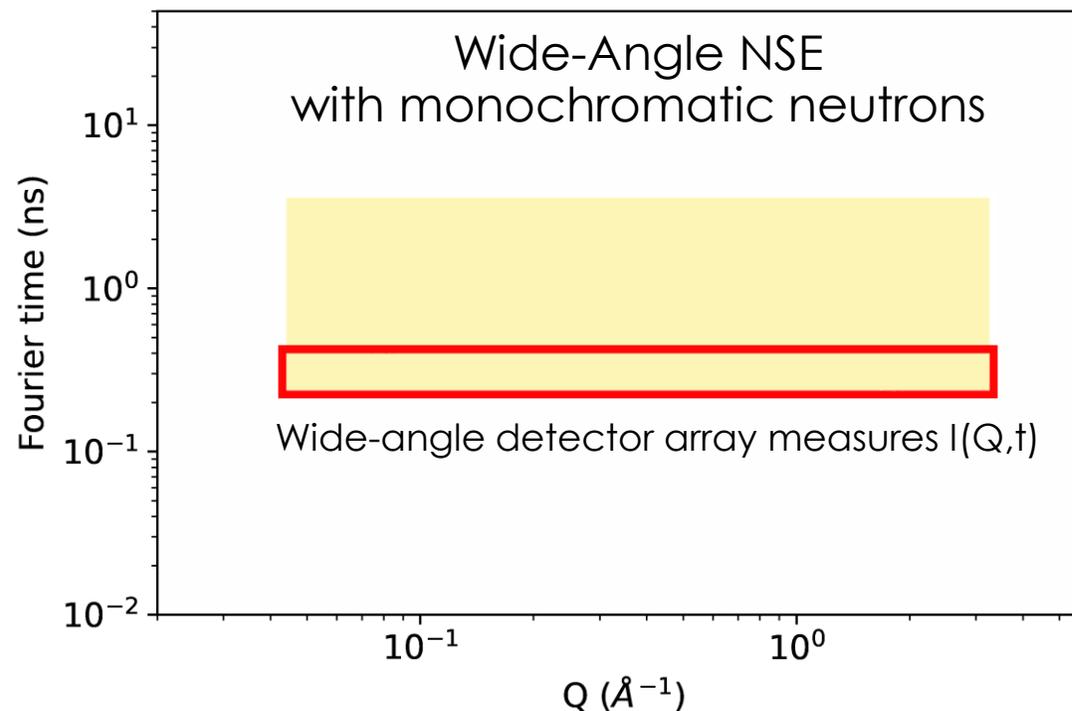
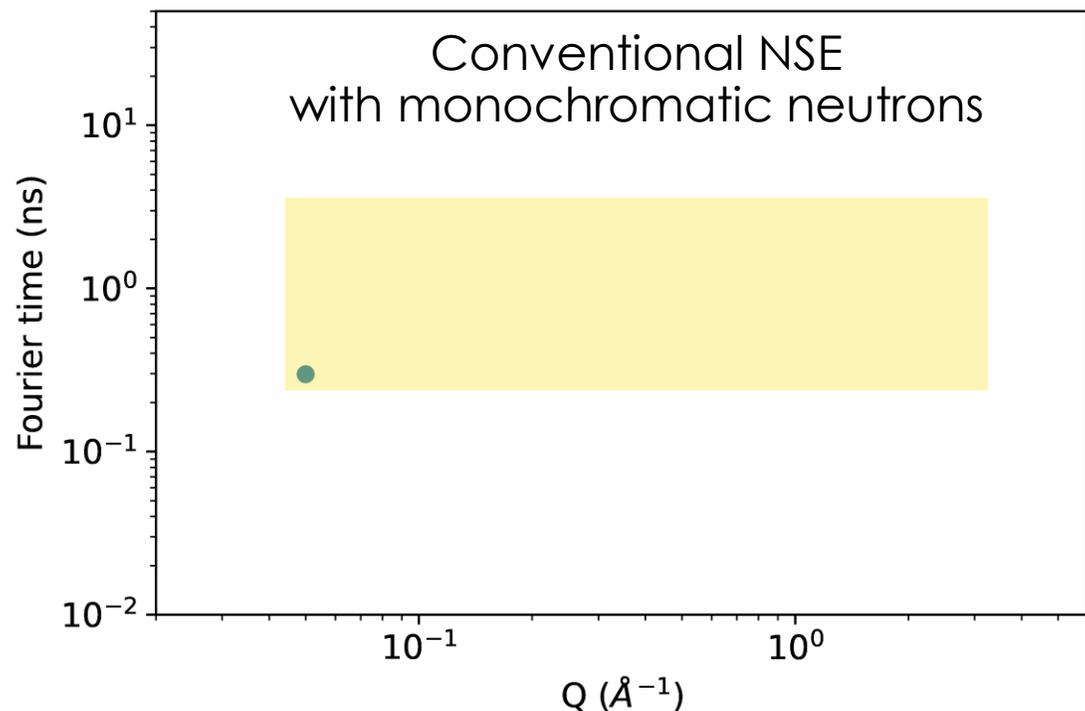
- SPAN at HMI (Germany) , reactor closed
  - WASP at ILL (France) , the only Wide-angle NSE
- Nothing like this in U.S.

# Collecting Data with Wide-Angle Neutron Spin Echo

$$S(Q, t)$$

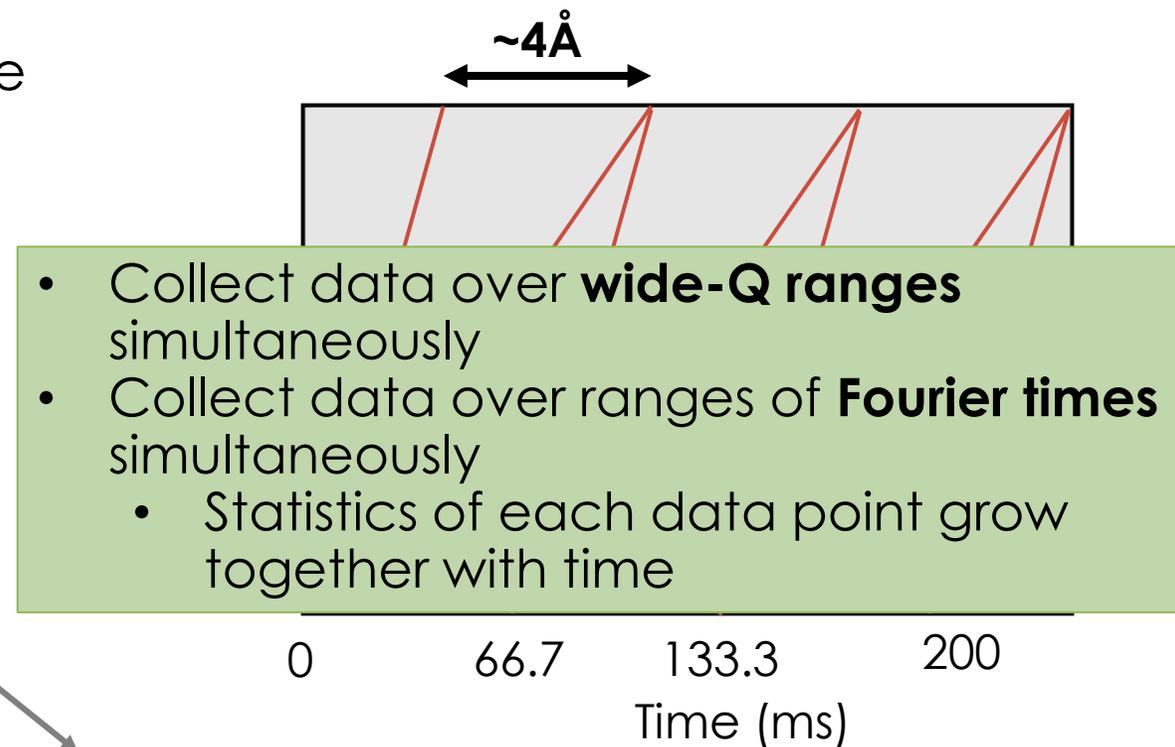
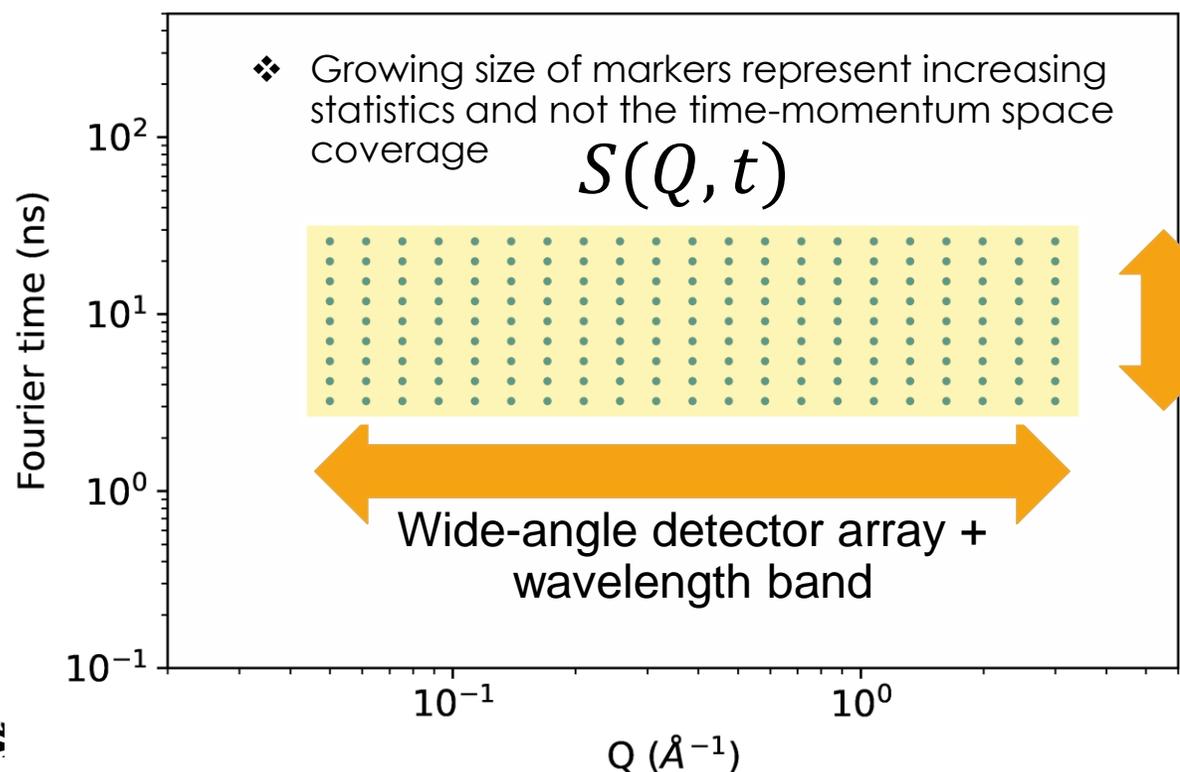
## Wide-Angle Neutron Spin Echo

- Limited in resolution (longest possible Fourier time)
- Simultaneous access to wide- $q$  ranges is possible



# STS + Wide-Angle Spin Echo Spectrometer : **EXPANSE**

- Time-of-flight source (STS) will enable  $\sim 4 \text{ \AA}$  wavelength band
  - Assuming 60m from the source, 15Hz
  - More than a single Fourier time per pulse
  - Ex) For 0.27 T.m field integral,
    - 4-8A wavelength band: 3 ~ 26 ns
    - 8-12A wavelength band: 26 ~ 87 ns



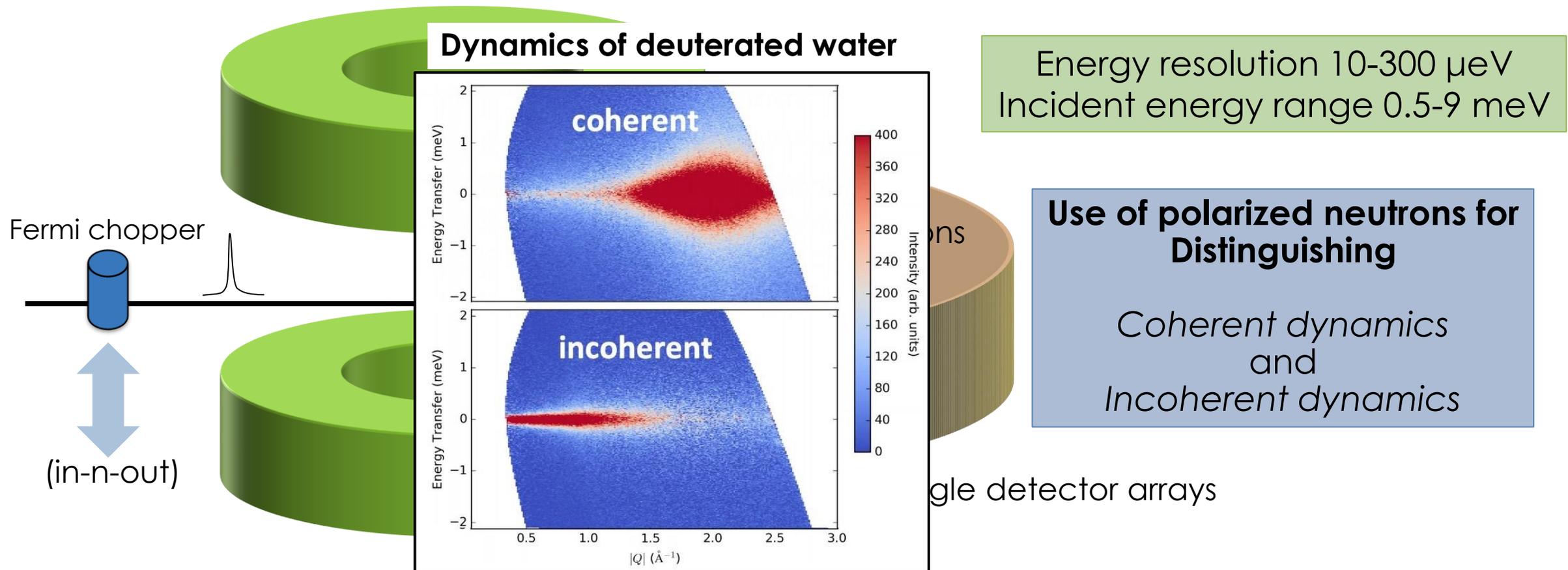
- Collect data over **wide-Q ranges** simultaneously
- Collect data over ranges of **Fourier times** simultaneously
  - Statistics of each data point grow together with time

$\sim 4 \text{ \AA}$  wavelength band

- Opens **a new opportunity** for NSE for time-resolved experiments
  - Time scale will still be limited ( $\sim$ hour)

# STS + Wide-Angle Spin Echo Spectrometer : **EXPANSE**

- Expand the capability by another level
  - With the **high-speed Fermi chopper**, instrument can be used as a **direct-geometry inelastic neutron spectrometer**  $S(Q, \omega)$

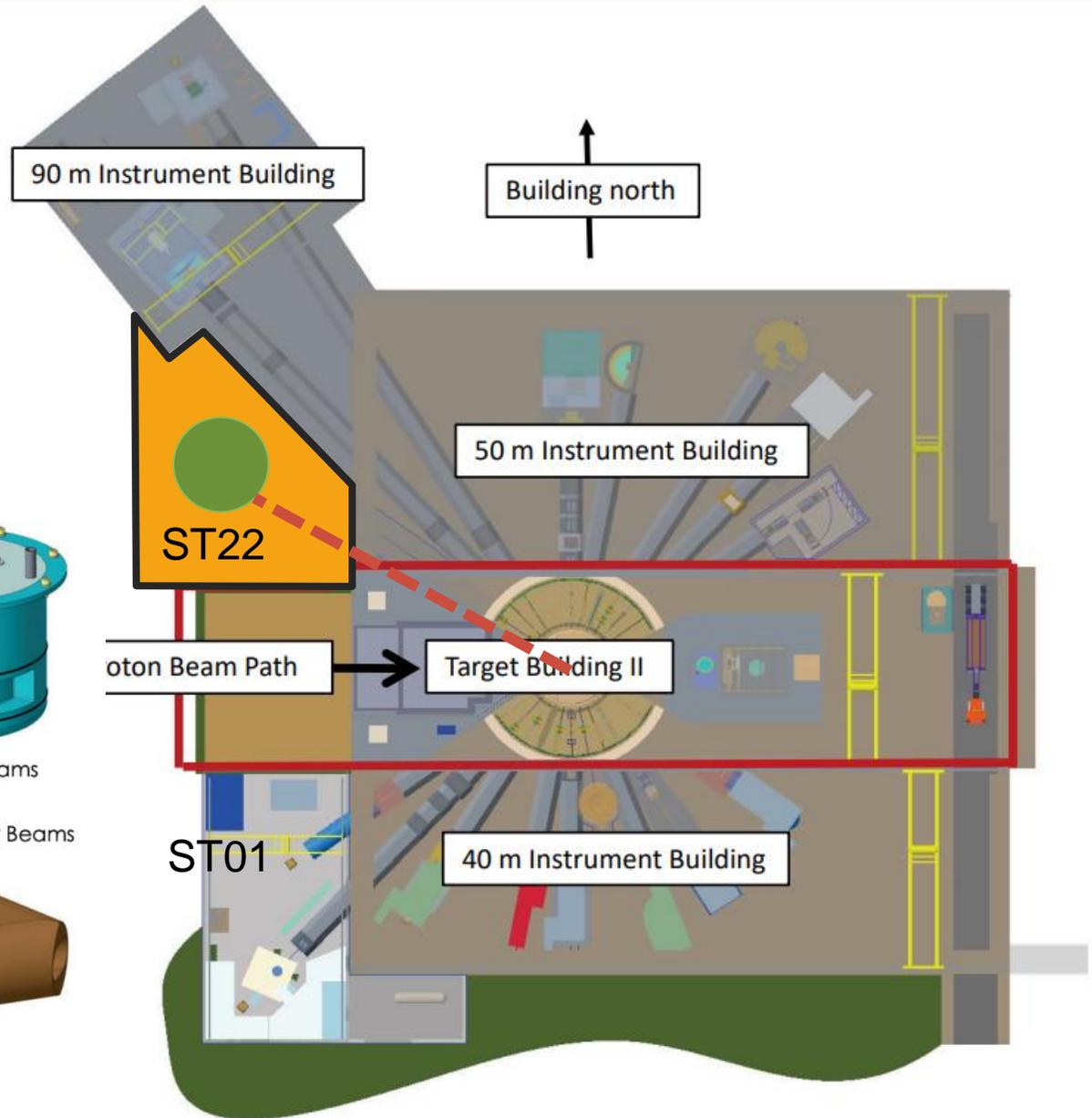
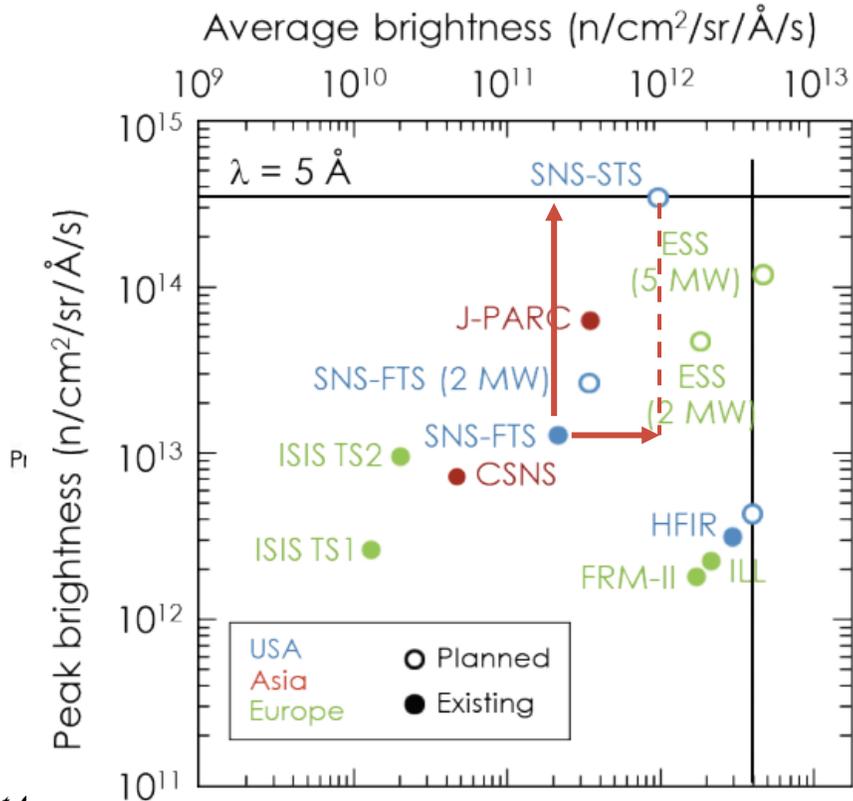


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# EXPANSE at STS

Ideal beamline for EXPANSE  
ST-22

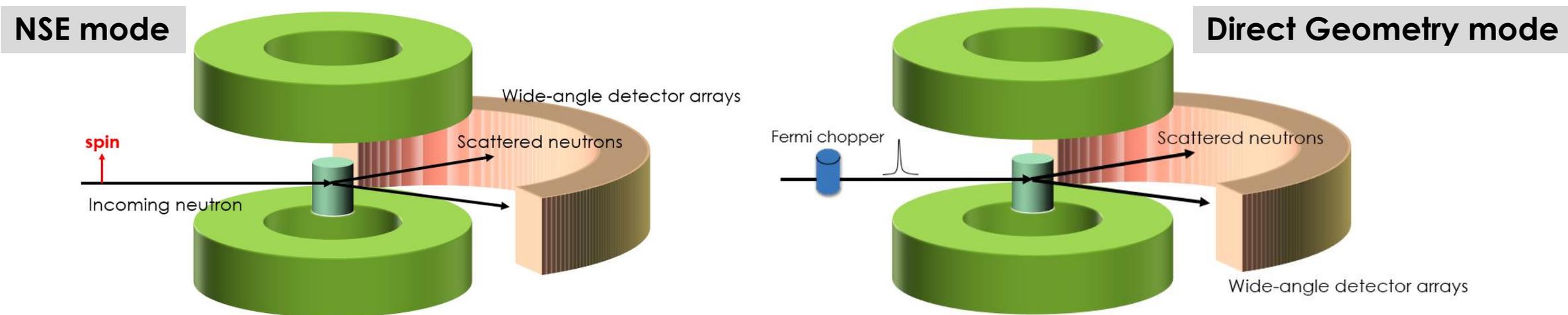
Tube moderator  
(better cold neutron flux)



# EXPANSE at STS

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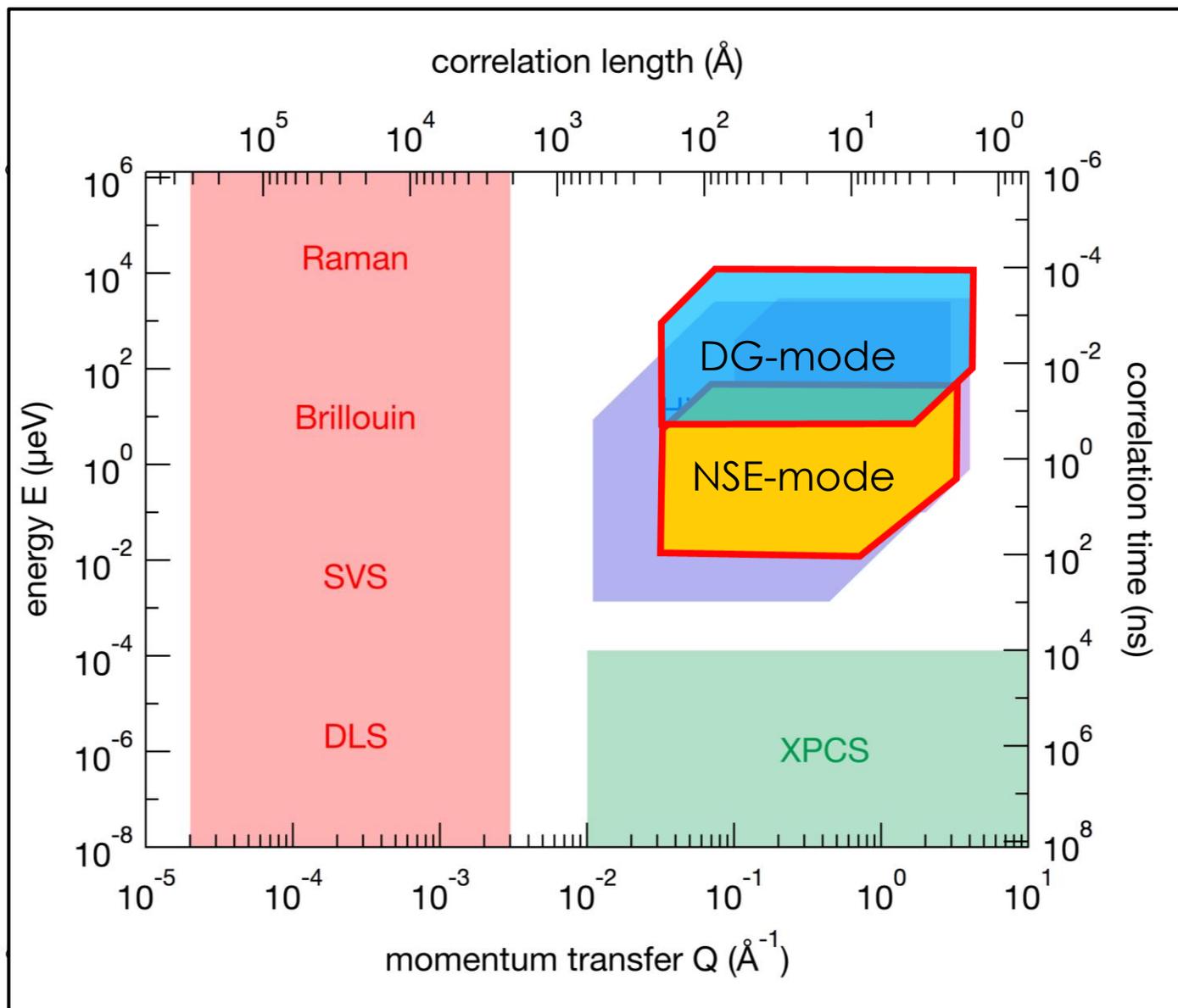
We expand the capability of the instrument by adding a direct geometry inelastic mode to measure  $S(Q, \omega)$



- Spin-Echo mode:  $S(Q, t)$ 
  - $0.05 \text{ \AA}^{-1} < Q < 3.5 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$  and  $30 \text{ ps} < t < 90 \text{ ns}$  (using 4-12  $\text{\AA}$  wavelength range)
- Direct Geometry inelastic mode:  $S(Q, \omega)$ 
  - Energy resolution 10-300  $\mu\text{eV}$  with incident energy range 0.5-9  $\text{meV}$

# EXPANSE at STS

Beamline 22	Next to 90m building
Available wavelength	4-16 Å
Wavelength band	~4Å (15 Hz)
Incident beam divergence	< 1.5 °
Maximum field integral	0.27 Tm
Detector solid angle	180° x 2.5° array of He3 tube detectors
Momentum transfer range	0.05 – 3.5 Å <sup>-1</sup>
Fourier time range	30 ps – 90 ns (using 4-12Å)
Direct geometry mode	Energy resolution 10-300 µeV Incident energy range 0.5 – 9 meV Corresponds to 0.1ps – 100ps



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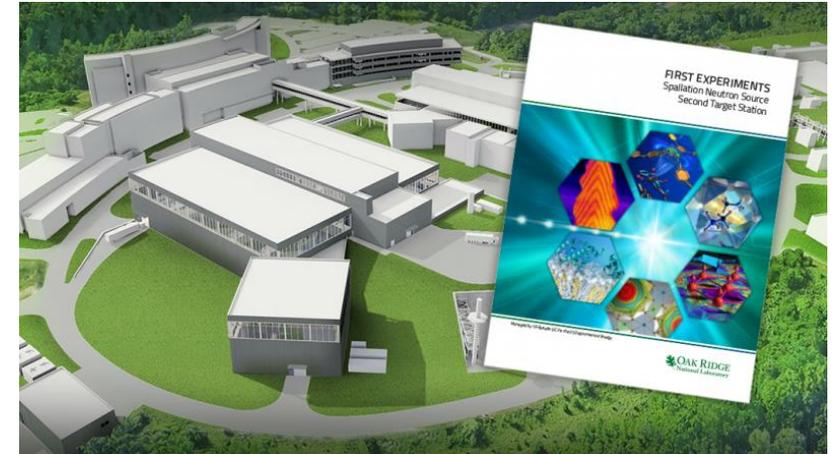
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