

STS / Target Systems Overview

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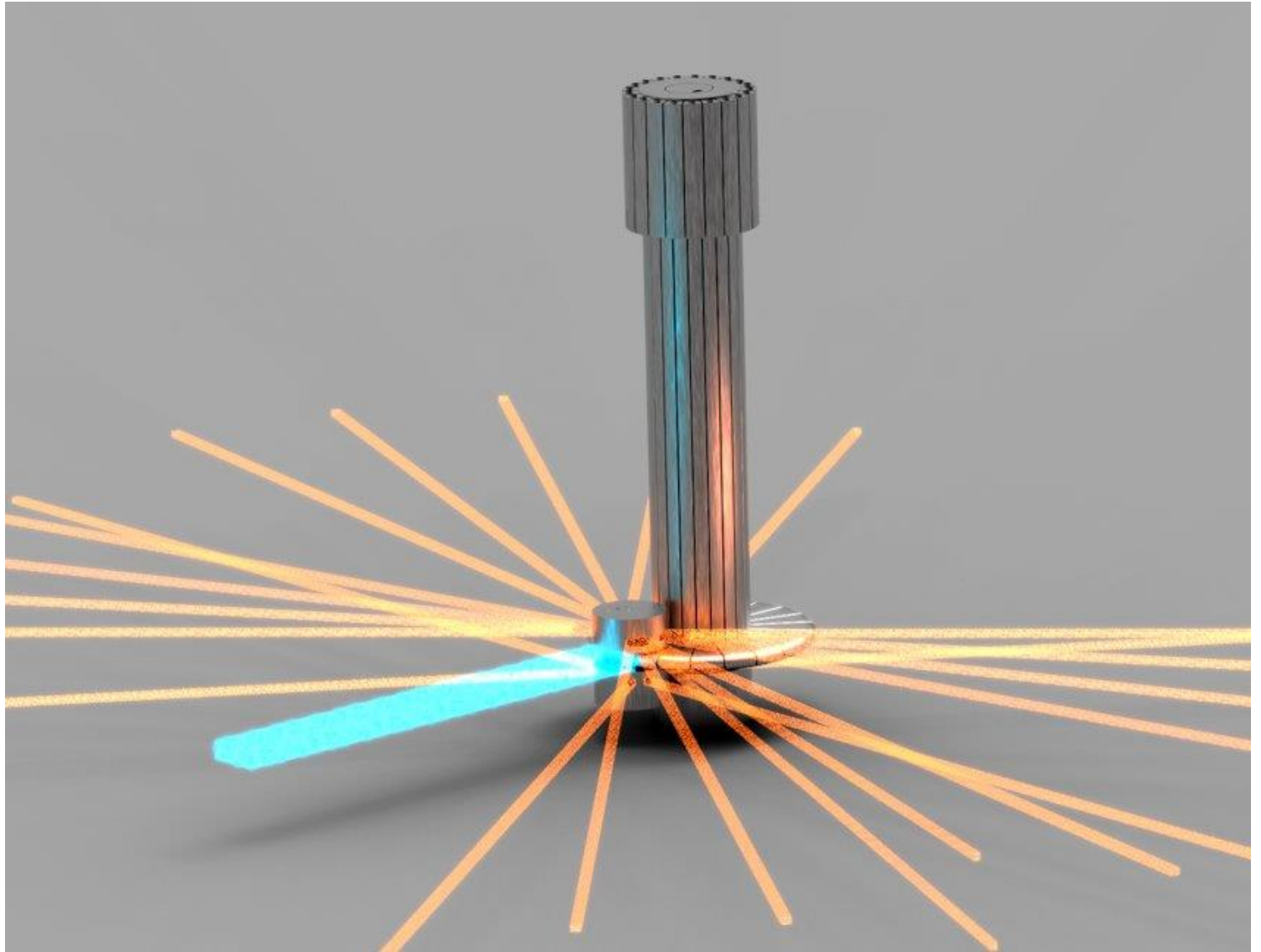
MRA Preliminary Design Review

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Topics

- **Neutrons at ORNL**
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Today ORNL operates two of the brightest neutron sources

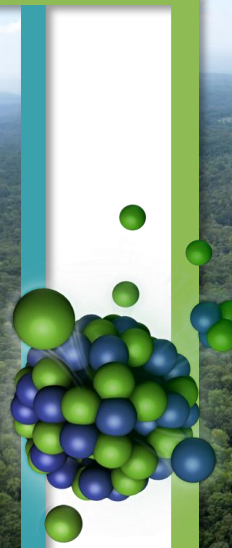
High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR)

Highest continuous neutron flux

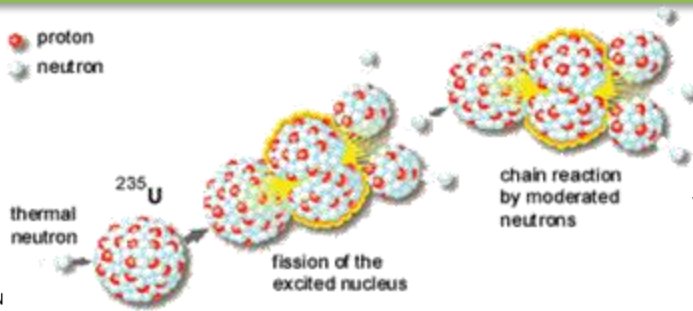


Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)

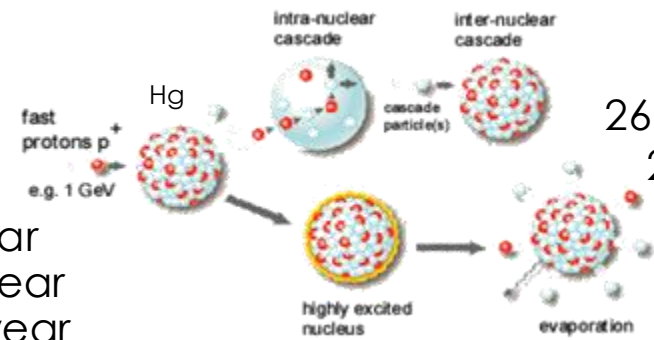
Highest peak neutron brightness



2.5 n/fission
190 MeV/useful n
Continuous



33 instruments
600 publications/year
1200 experiments/year
1200 unique users/year



26 n/proton (1 GeV)
25 MeV/useful n
Pulsed

SNS upgrades will accelerate scientific progress and deliver wholly new capabilities

PPU project: Double the power of the existing accelerator structure

- First Target Station (FTS) is optimized for thermal neutrons
- Increases the brightness of beams of pulsed neutrons
- Provides new science capabilities for atomic resolution and fast dynamics
- Provides a platform for STS

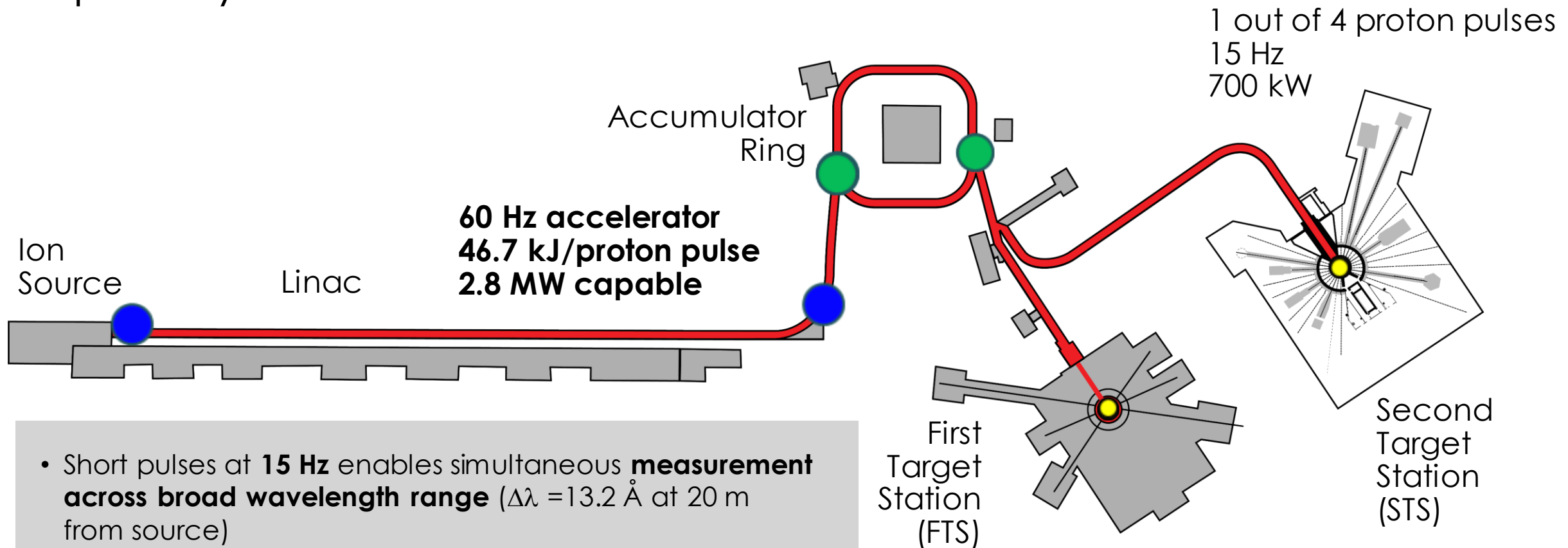


STS project: Build the second target station with initial suite of beam lines

- Optimized for cold neutrons
- World-leading peak brightness
- Provide new science capabilities for measurements across broader ranges of temporal and length scales, real-time, and smaller samples

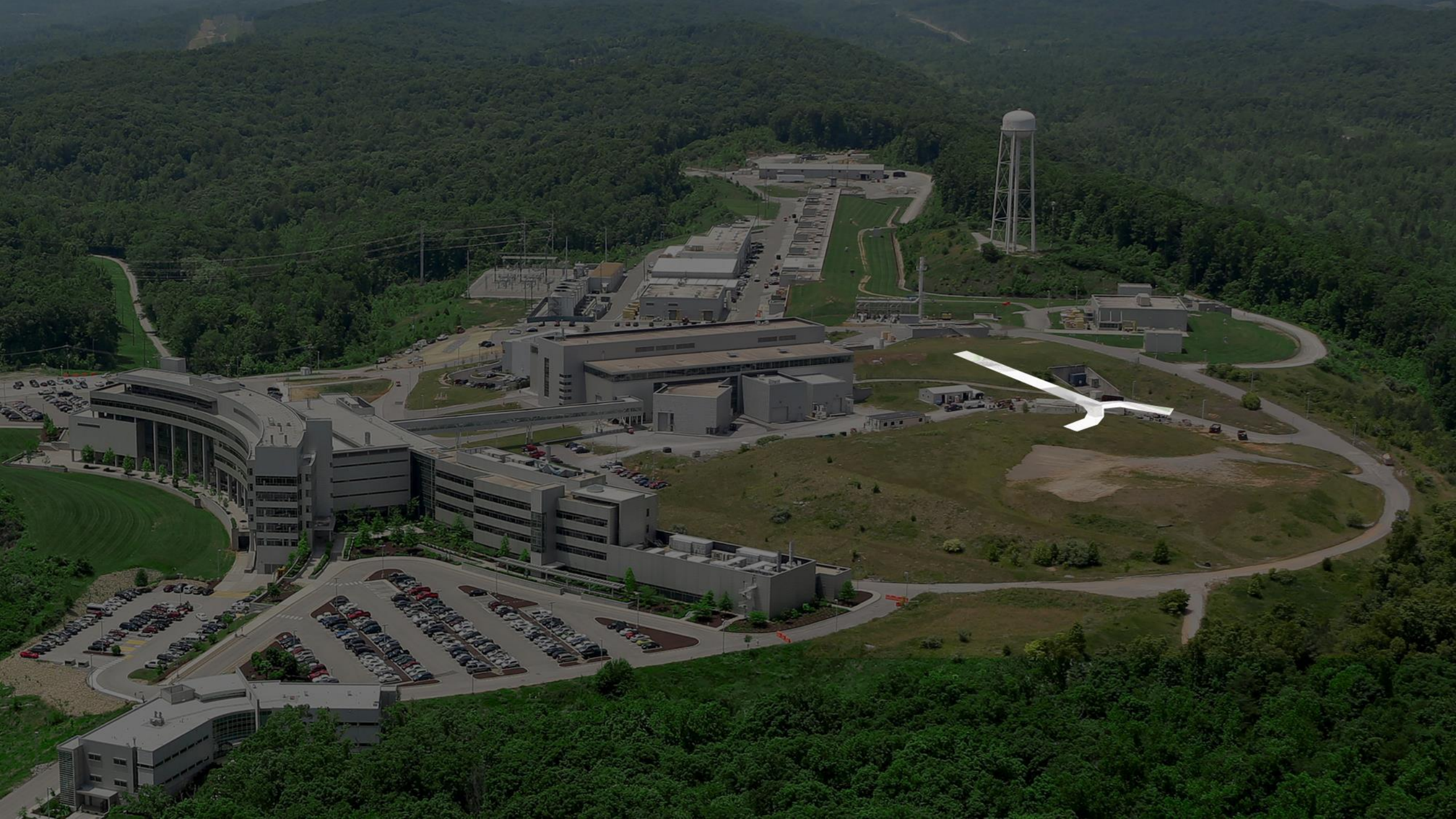
STS instruments see 4x more and 100x faster than today's similar instruments

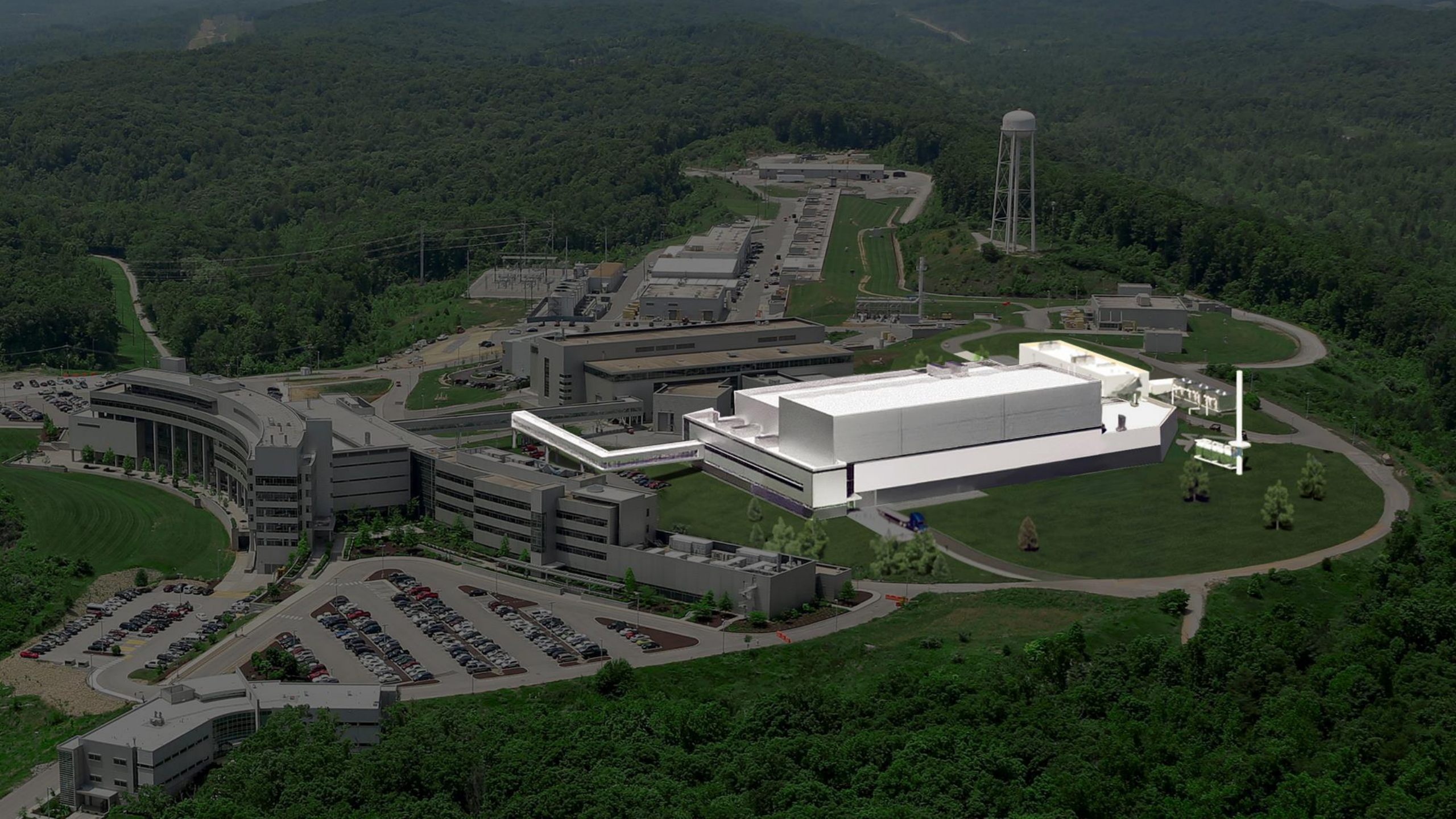
STS will make optimal use of the PPU-upgraded SNS accelerator capability



- Short pulses at **15 Hz** enables simultaneous **measurement across broad wavelength range** ($\Delta\lambda = 13.2 \text{ \AA}$ at 20 m from source)
- Complementarity with FTS – **uses all available accelerator capability provided by PPU**
- **Flexibility** will be provided to **operate** both FTS and STS at the same time or separately if either is shutdown





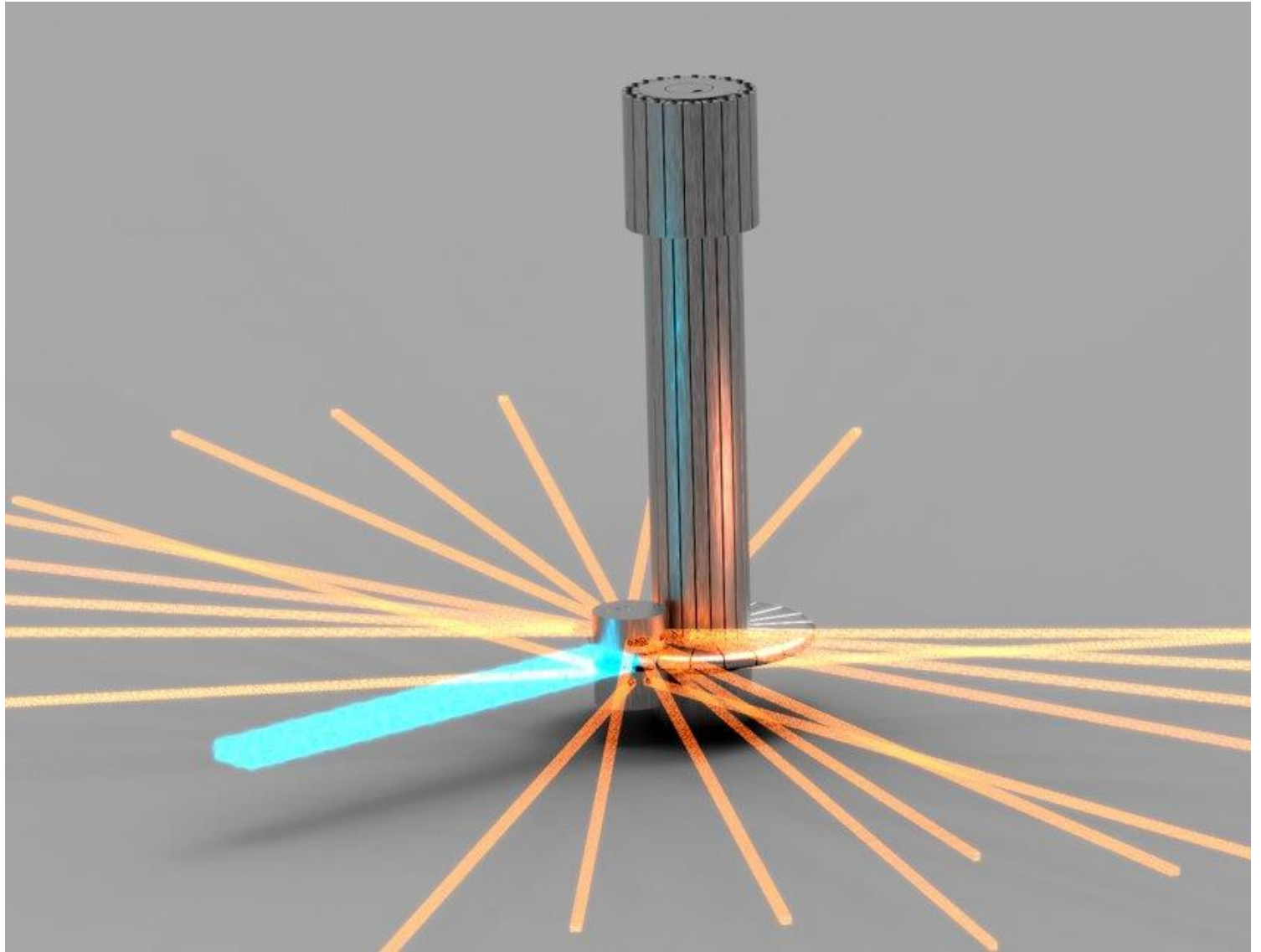






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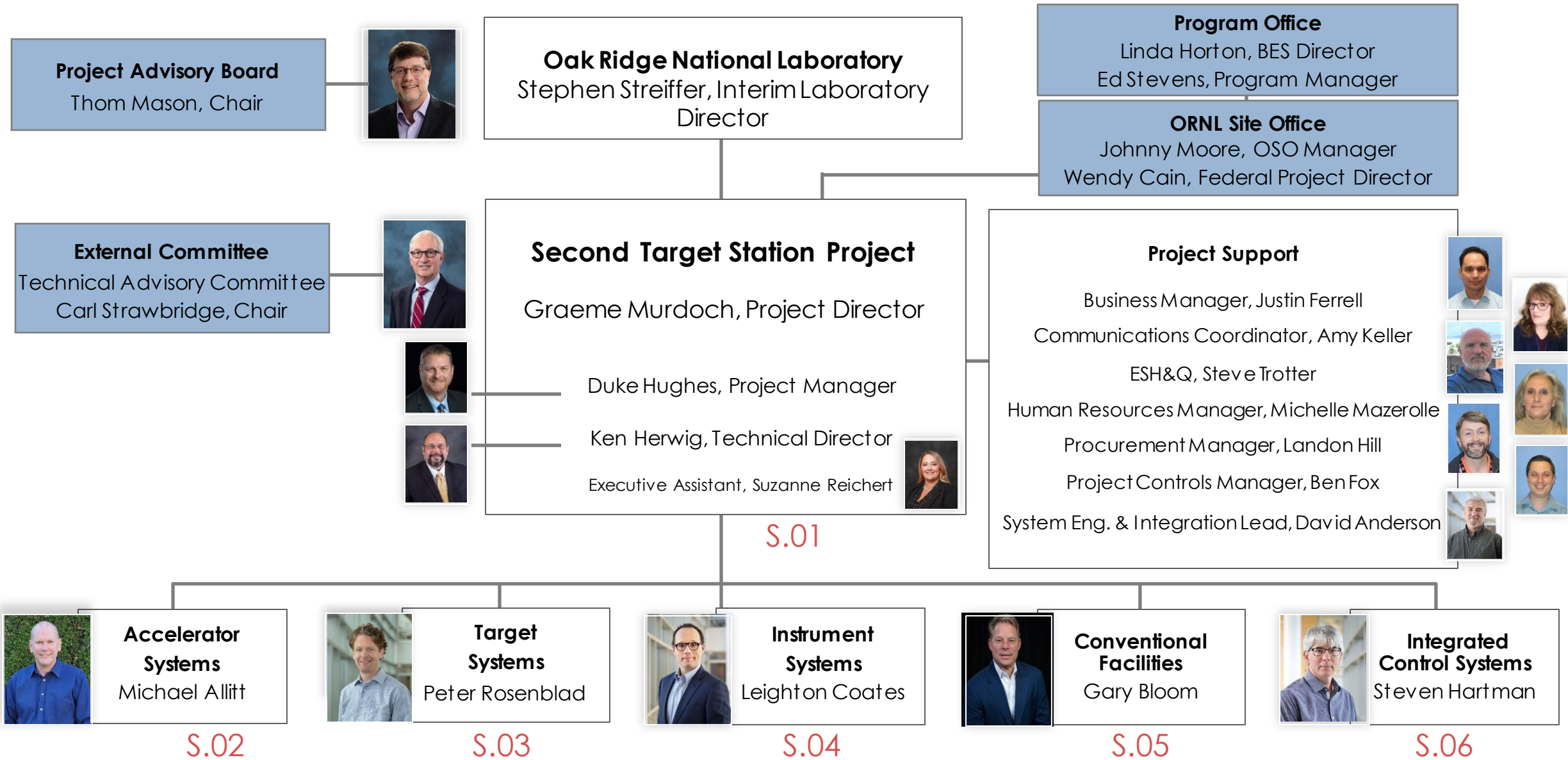
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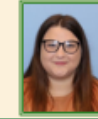
STS Project organization chart



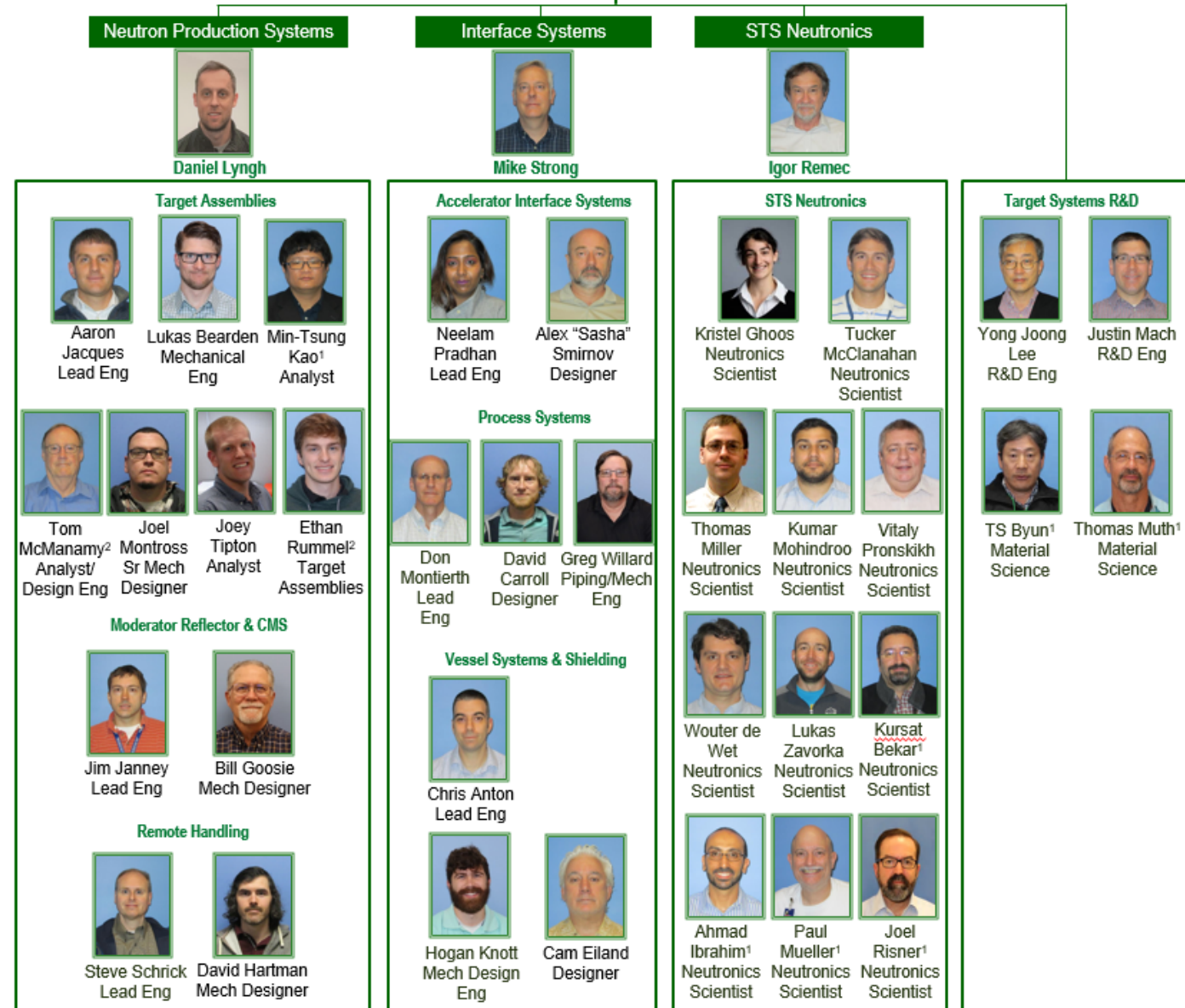
Target Systems Org Chart



Target Systems - WBS S.03
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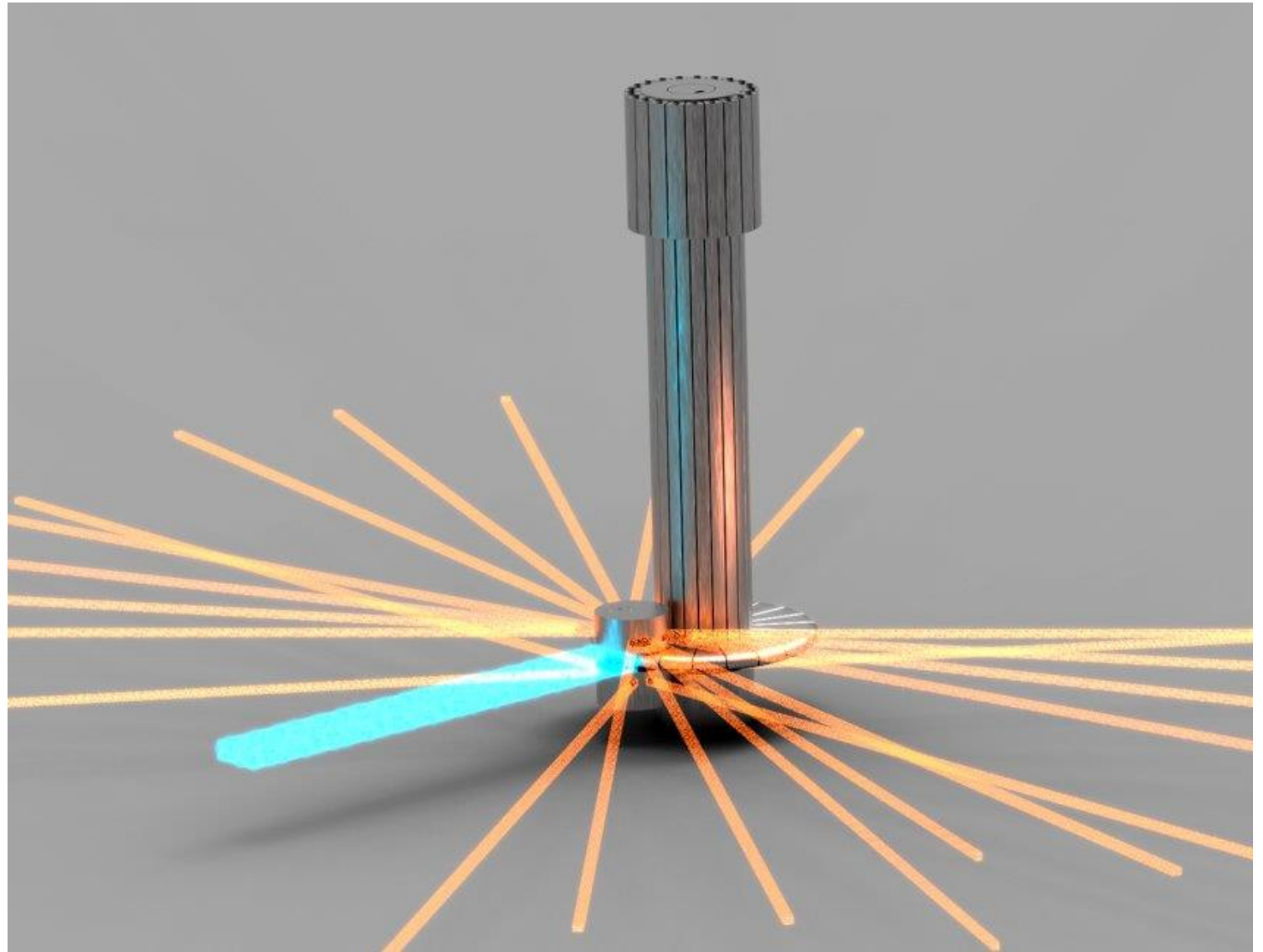


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Major Projects Take Time

2024

2020, November – DOE approved the project's CD-1 status

2017, April – Selection of major STS technical alternatives: 15 Hz pulse repetition rate, 700 kW proton beam power, short pulse options.

2016, January – Initiated STS conceptual design activities.

2009 – DOE approved Critical Decision-0 (CD-0)

2019, October – Dedicated STS Project Office established.

2010

2000

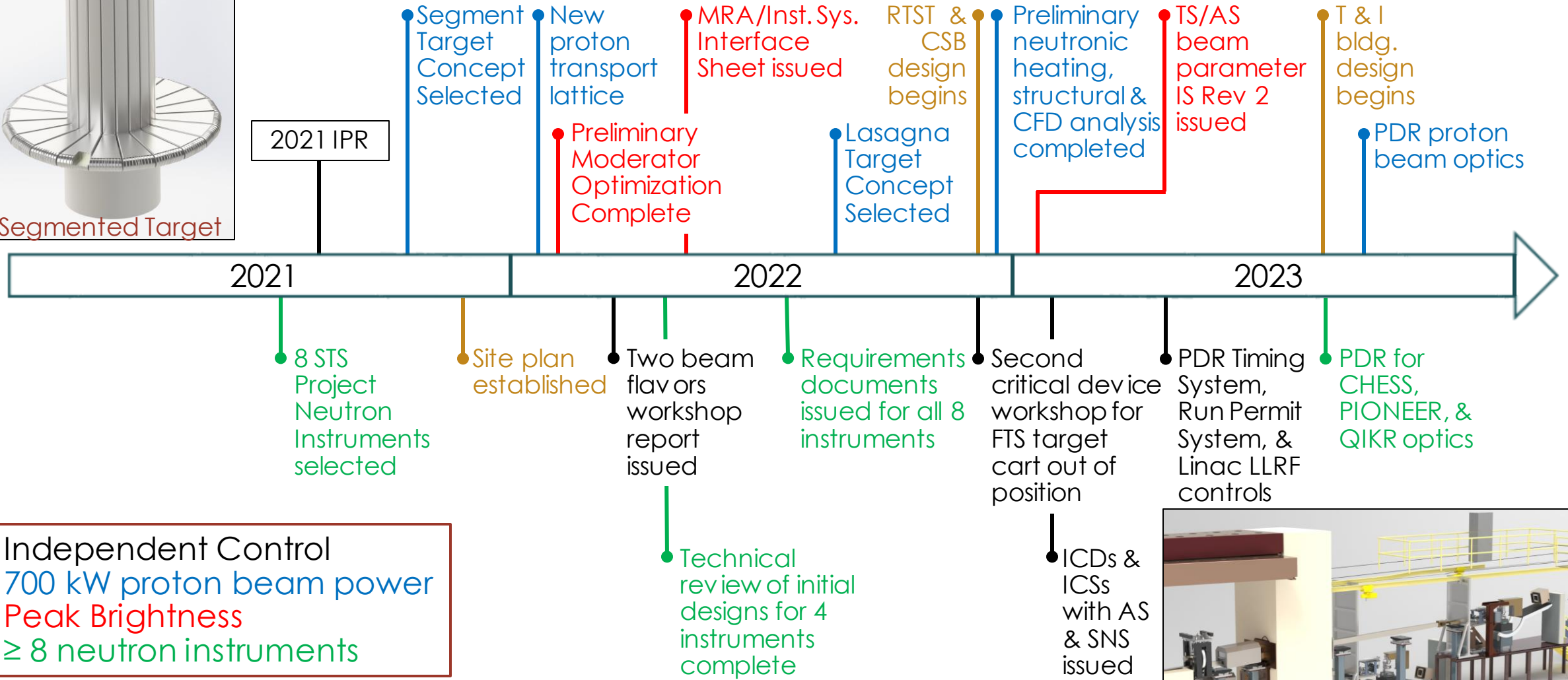
2013 – A DOE advisory committee noted STS is “absolutely central” to US leadership in science.

1996

1999 - Environmental Impact Statement for SNS included a Second Target Station (STS).

1996 – A DOE advisory committee recommended that SNS proceed and include additional target station capability.

Significant progress has been made across the project over the past 4 years

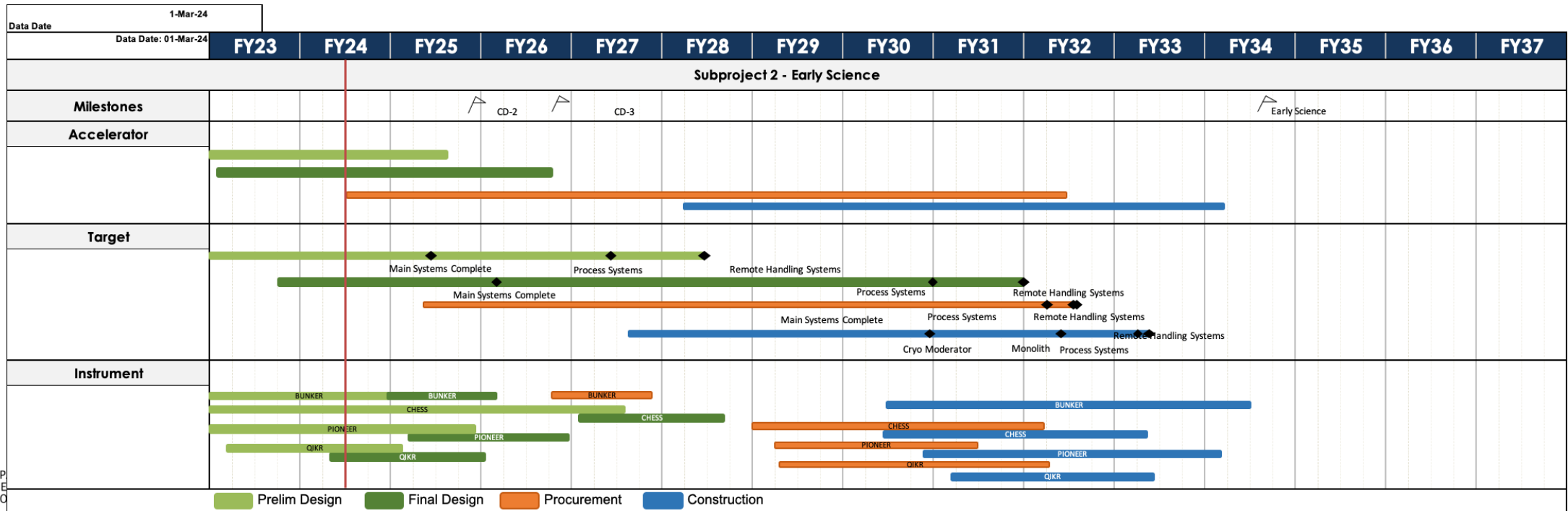
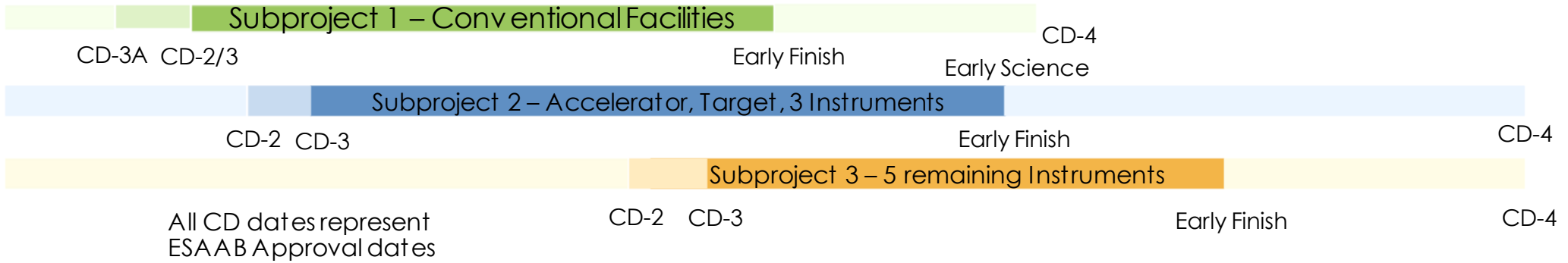


Independent Control
 700 kW proton beam power
 Peak Brightness
 ≥ 8 neutron instruments



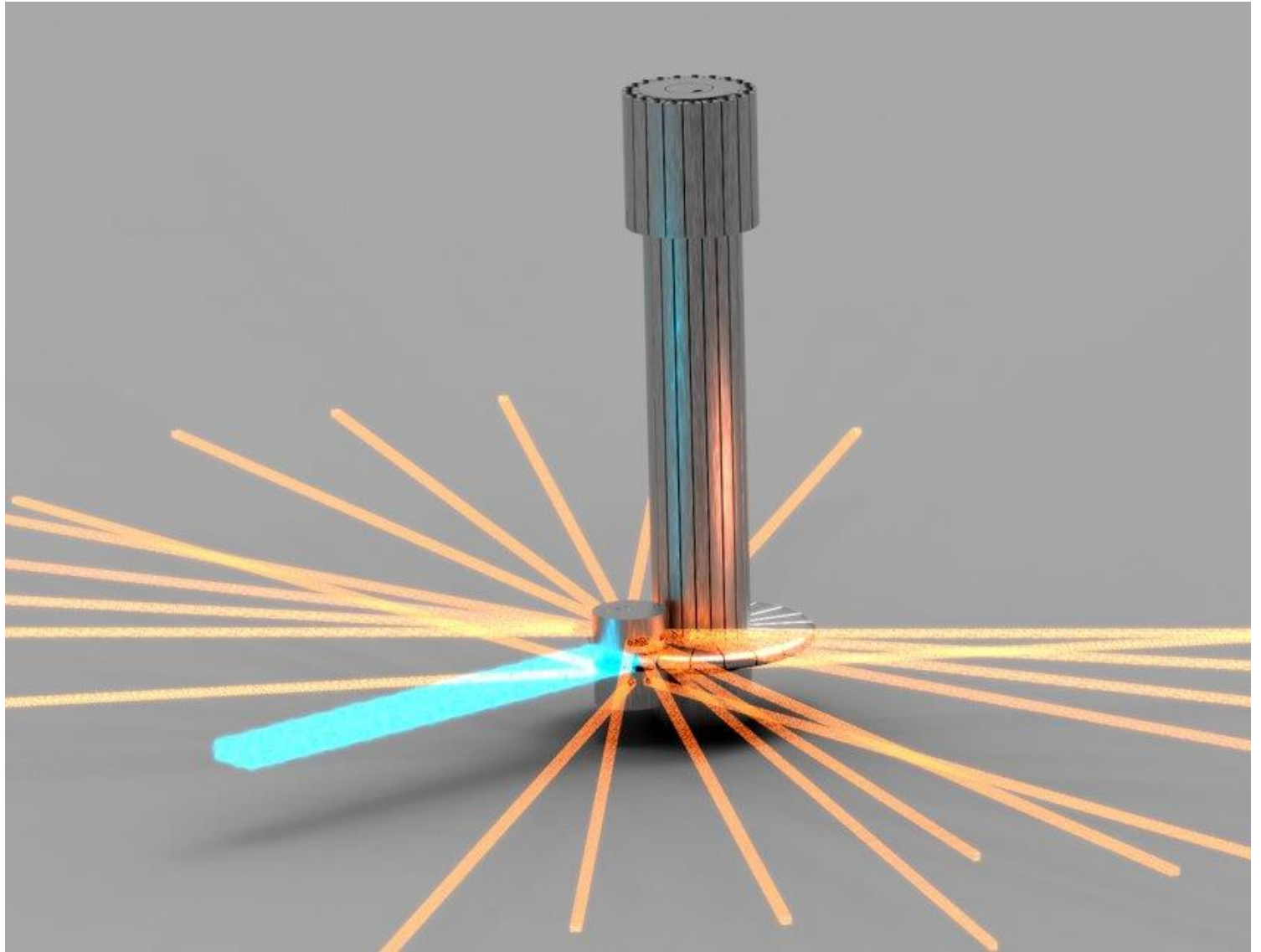
Notional Execution Strategy

FY24 FY25 FY26 FY27 FY28 FY29 FY30 FY31 FY32 FY33 FY34 FY35 FY36 FY37 FY38 FY39 FY40



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Preliminary Key Performance Parameters (PKPP) provide highest level of requirements

Key Performance Parameter	Thresholds (Performance Deliverable)	Objectives	Plan meets requirement
Demonstrate independent control of the proton beam on the two target stations	Operate beam to FTS at 45 pulses/s, with no beam to STS Operate beam to STS at 15 Hz, with no beam to FTS Operate with beam to both target stations 45 pulses/s at FTS and 15 Hz at STS		✓
Demonstrate proton beam power on STS at 15 Hz	100 kW beam power	700 kW beam power	✓
Measure STS neutron brightness	Peak brightness of $2 \times 10^{13} \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{sr}/\text{\AA}/\text{s}$ at 5 \AA	peak brightness of $2 \times 10^{14} \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{sr}/\text{\AA}/\text{s}$ at 5 \AA	✓
Beamlines transitioned to operations	8 beamlines successfully passed the integrated functional testing per the TTOP acceptance criteria	≥ 8 beamlines successfully passed the integrated functional testing per the TTOP acceptance criteria	✓

Global (Level 1) requirements are derived from PKPPs

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SECOND TARGET STATION (STS) PROJECT Global Requirements Document

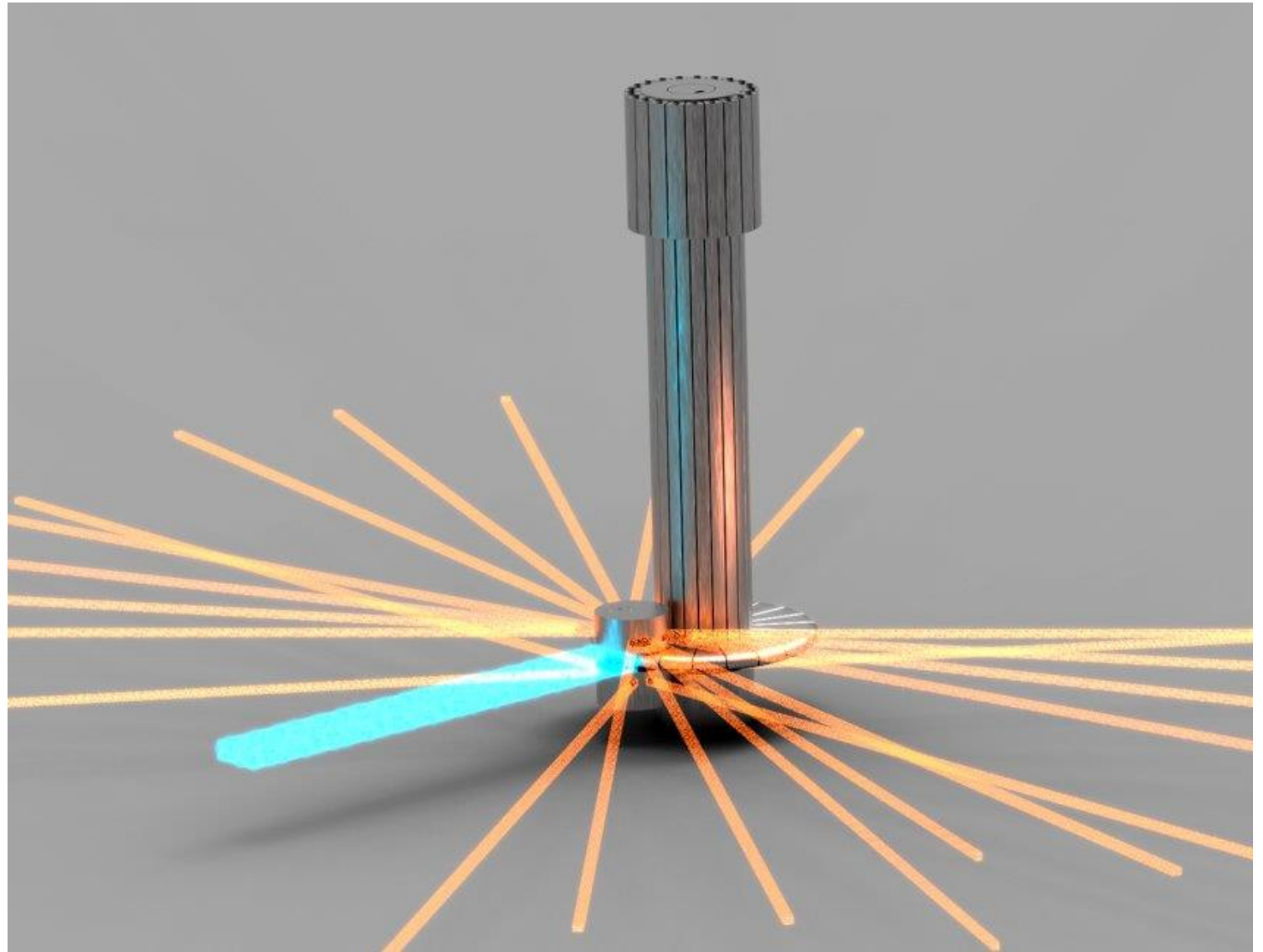


January 2022

ID	Requirement Description
R1	The STS Project will demonstrate independent controls of the proton beam on the two target stations
R2	STS Project shall deliver a facility with the capability to operate 700 kW proton beam power to STS
R3	STS Project shall deliver a facility with the capability to operate with a peak brightness of $\geq 2 \times 10^{14} \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{sr}/\text{\AA}/\text{s}$ at 5 \AA
R4	The STS shall provide world-leading capabilities for science using cold neutrons with more than a 10x gain relative to comparable First Target Station instruments
R5	STS Project shall transition to operations ≥ 8 beamlines that successfully pass the integrated functional testing per the Transition to Operations Plan (TTOP)
R6	STS facility shall be designed to accommodate 22 neutron beamlines
R7	STS facility shall be designed to support a lifetime of 40 years
R8	STS facility shall be designed to support > 5000 hrs of proton beam on target per year
R9	STS facility shall be designed to support an availability of > 90%
R10	STS facility shall be designed to maintain compatibility with the SNS Facility
R11	STS facility shall be designed in accordance with the DOE Order 420.2C Safety of Accelerator Facilities
R12	Systems, Structures and Components for the STS shall be designed for decommissioning

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Preliminary design scope supports case for achieving world-leading capability

Accelerator

- Transport protons to STS operating at 15Hz
- Independent operation of First Target Station (FTS) and STS

Target

- Solid rotating water cooled tungsten target
- 2 high brightness, supercritical H₂ moderators

Instruments

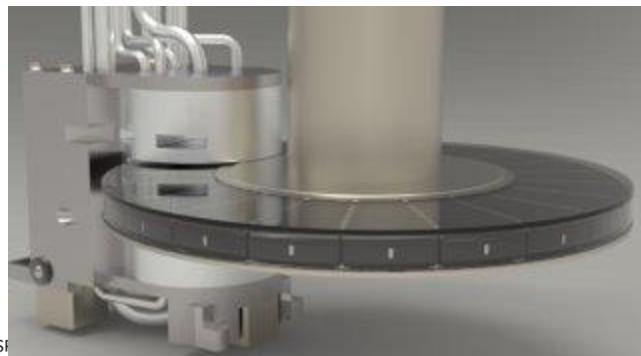
- Provide capability for ~20 instrument end stations
- 8 beamline instruments included in STS scope

Conventional Facilities

- ~220k square feet of new infrastructure

Integrated Controls

- Control systems and computing infrastructure
- Data acquisition for neutron scattering instruments



Rotating, segmented solid-tungsten target



PIONEER diffractometer optimized for small samples



STS shown on SNS site

STS uniquely combines advanced technologies to deliver new science capabilities needed to understand more complex materials, processes, and devices

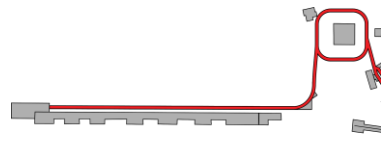
Start with the world's most powerful hadron accelerator – the SNS



PPU upgraded SNS
46.7 kJ/proton pulse
60 Hz, 2.8 MW capable



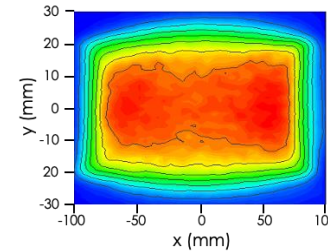
Use the accumulator ring to compress the proton pulse



1 msec linac production
compressed to $< 1 \mu\text{sec}$



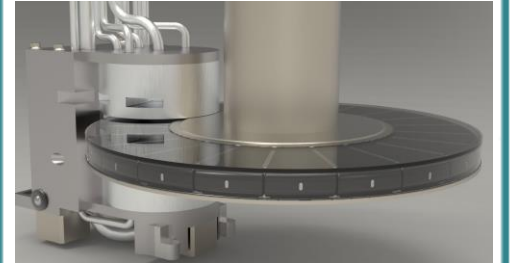
Add optics & transport to produce uniform proton spot size on the target



STS proton area = 60 cm^2
FTS proton area = 140 cm^2



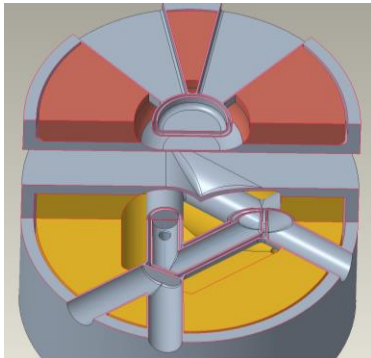
Add rotating, segmented solid-tungsten target



Spreads heat load over larger volume with longer lifetime



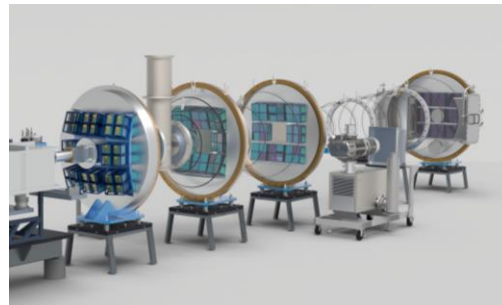
Add low dimensional moderators, tightly-coupled to neutron production zone



Two high-brightness, geometrically-optimized moderators (cylinder & tube)



Add science-driven, optimized instrument designs



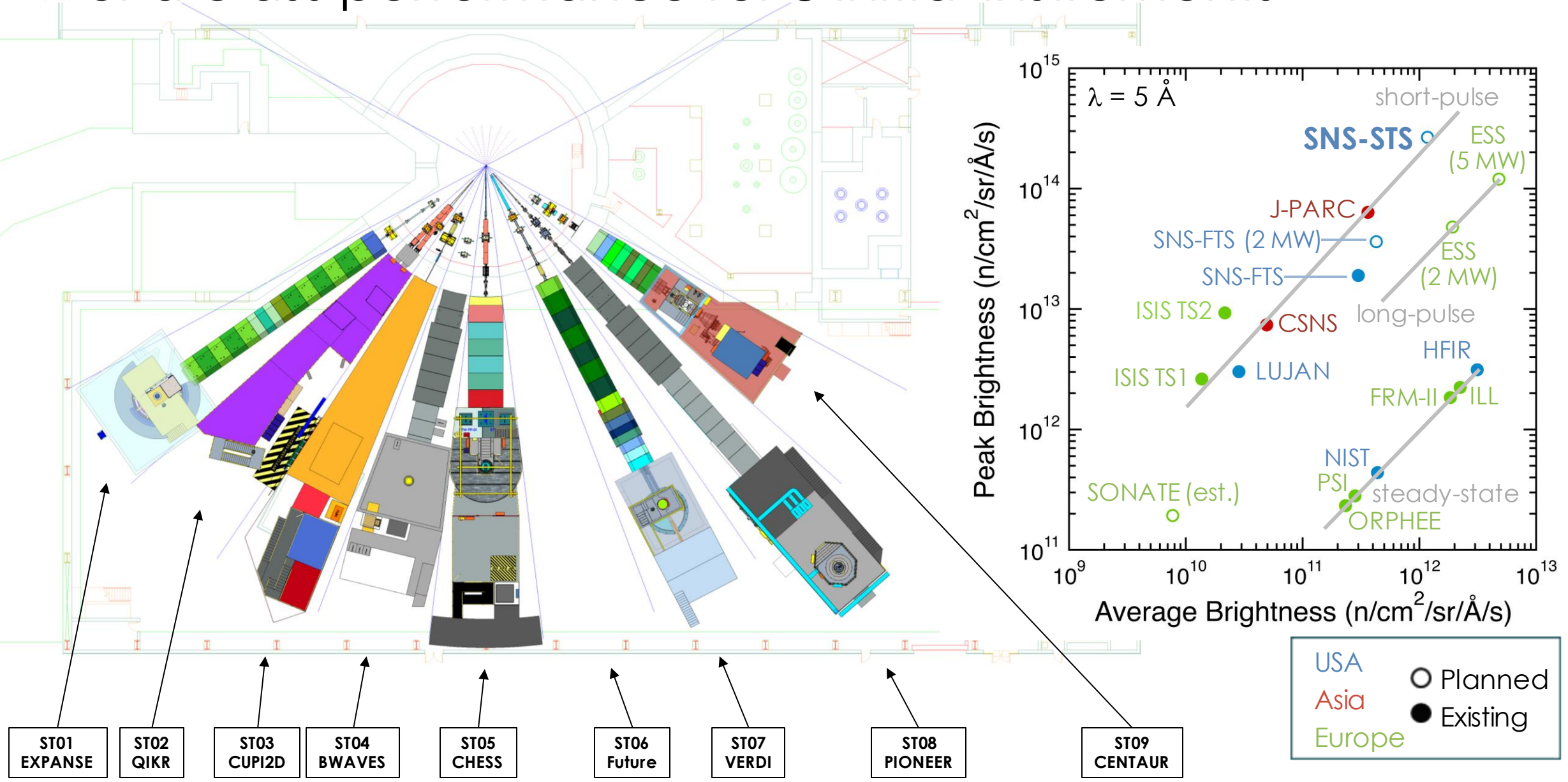
8 initial STS instruments, latest technologies, integrated controls, scientific software, proposed by and selected with the user community



Next generation neutron facility with science capabilities needed for materials innovation: materials discovery & materials in-action.



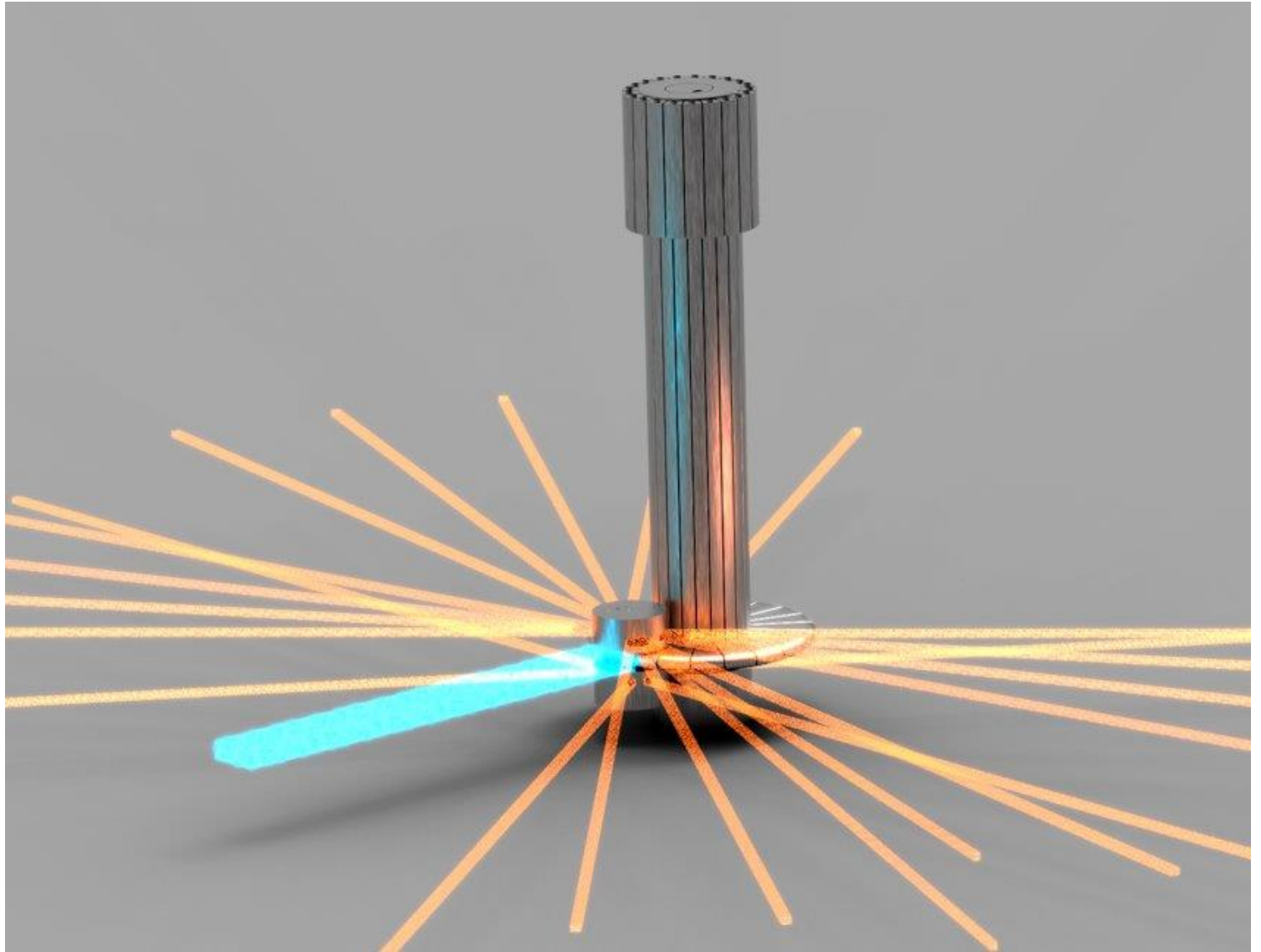
World class performance for 8 initial instruments



- ST01
EXPANSE
- ST02
QIKR
- ST03
CUIP2D
- ST04
BWAVES
- ST05
CHESS
- ST06
Future
- ST07
VERDI
- ST08
PIONEER
- ST09
CENTAUR

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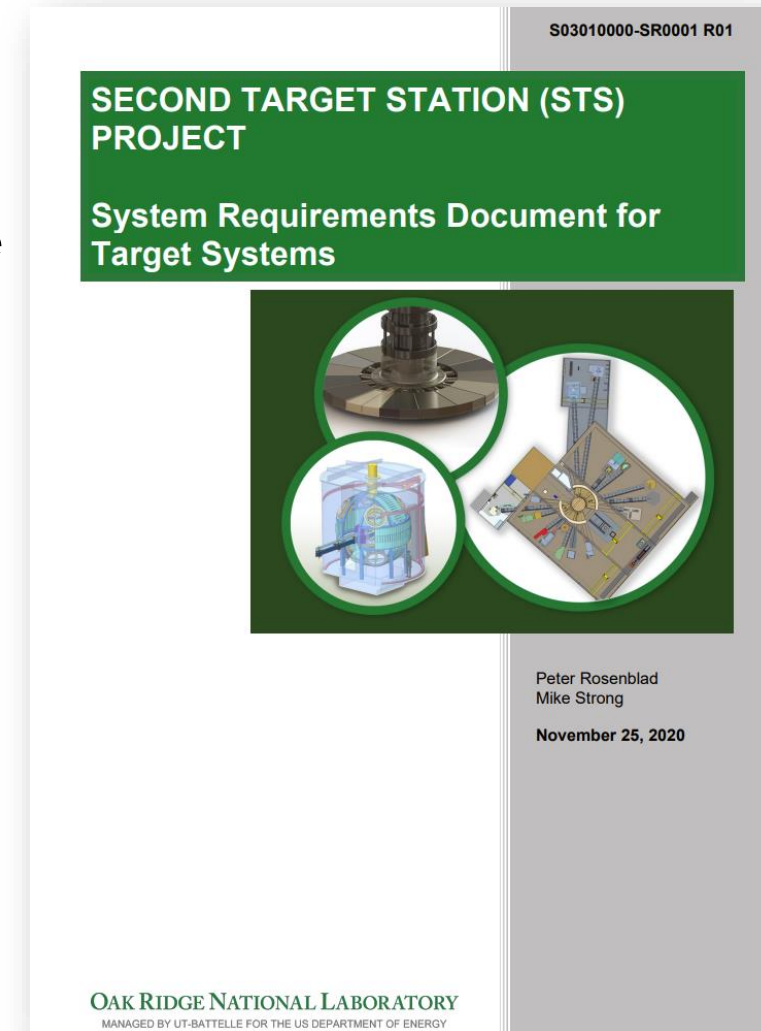
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Target Systems (Level 2) requirements are established

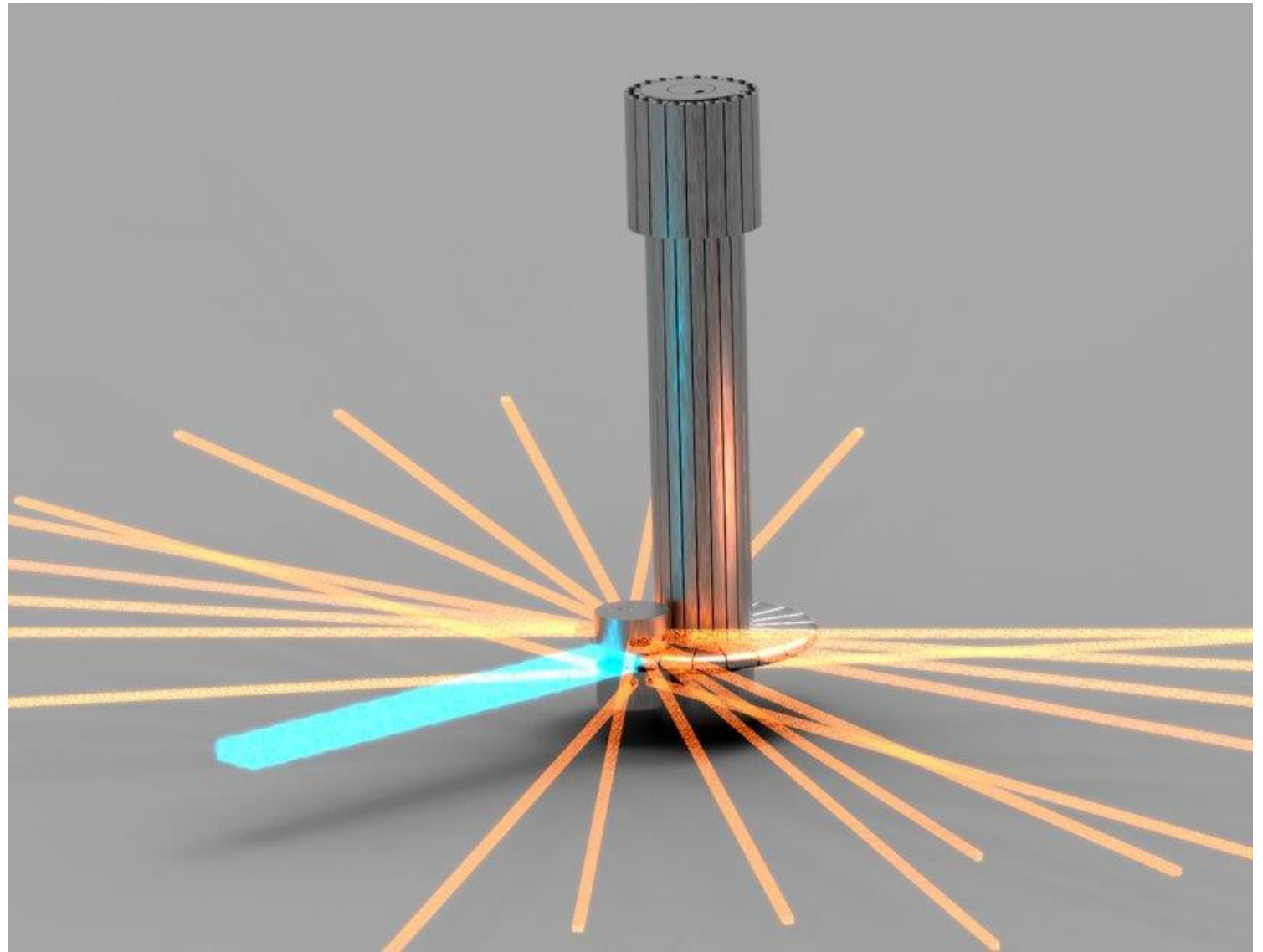
Selected key requirements:

- Accept a pulsed proton beam of 700 kW, 1.3 GeV, 15 Hz
- Convert the proton beam pulses into cold neutron pulses using high-brightness moderators that will meet or exceed the peak brightness of 2×10^{14} n/cm²/sr/Å/s at the neutron wavelength of 5Å
- Distribute neutrons to 22 beamlines
- Include a service or replacement scheme and disposal path for all perishable components
- Provide connection to and isolation from the Accelerator Systems environment upstream of the Target Station Monolith for transport of the proton beam to the Target
- Operate for 40 years @ 5,000 hours/year and 95% availability for scheduled run times
- Provide the potential to respond to evaluate component failures via post irradiation examination (PIE)



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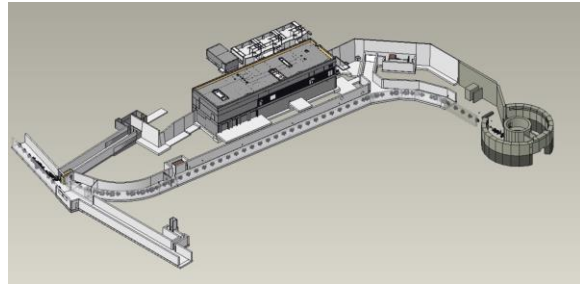
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Scope is established to match requirements

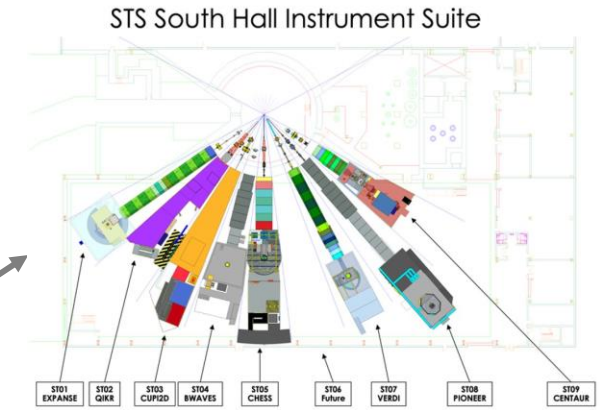
- Develop → design → manufacture → procure → install hardware necessary to convert protons into pulses of high brightness cold neutrons
- Includes all hardware within the monolith
- Includes water, cryogen, and gas systems necessary to cool the target systems in the core vessel
- Includes remote handling systems, tooling, and infrastructure necessary to maintain operation of the target systems, including the potential to perform PIE
- Includes Neutronics analysis necessary for design and operation of target systems
 - Target Systems Group also includes neutronics staff for all of STS

Key interfaces are established and actively updated



Accelerator Systems

- ICD issued, 4 interfaces identified
- **Two interface sheets in active revision control: Proton Beam parameters and Proton Beam Tube**



Instrument Systems

- ICD issued, 4 interfaces identified
- **One interface sheet in active revision control: Moderator Reflector Assembly**



Integrated Control Systems

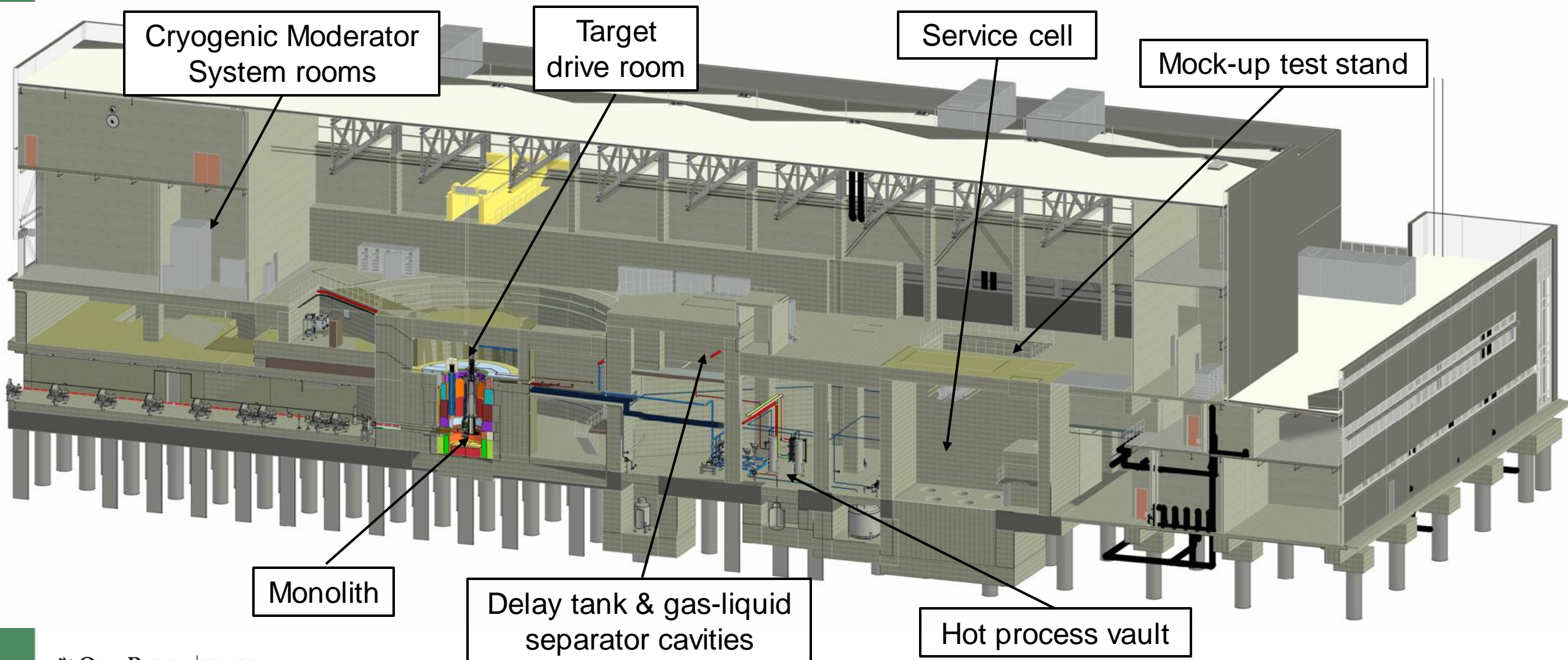
- ICD issued, 14 interfaces identified
- **Six interface sheets are in active revision control: Target Viewing Periscope, Halo Monitors, Moderator Reflector Assembly, Process Systems I&C, TPS-Activated Cooling Loop 1, and TPS-Target Assembly**



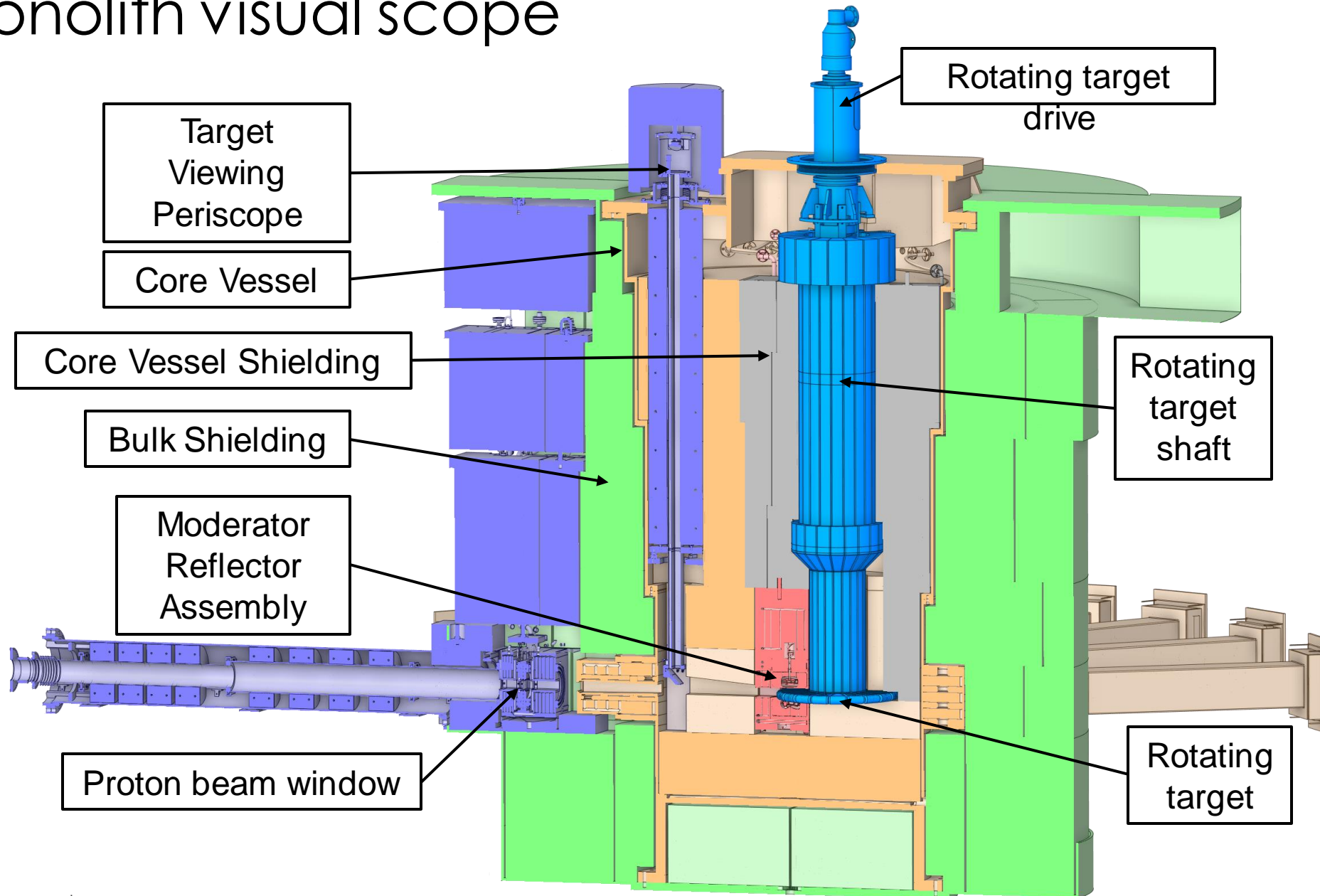
Conventional Facilities

- ICD issued, 18 IS identified

Target Systems visual scope

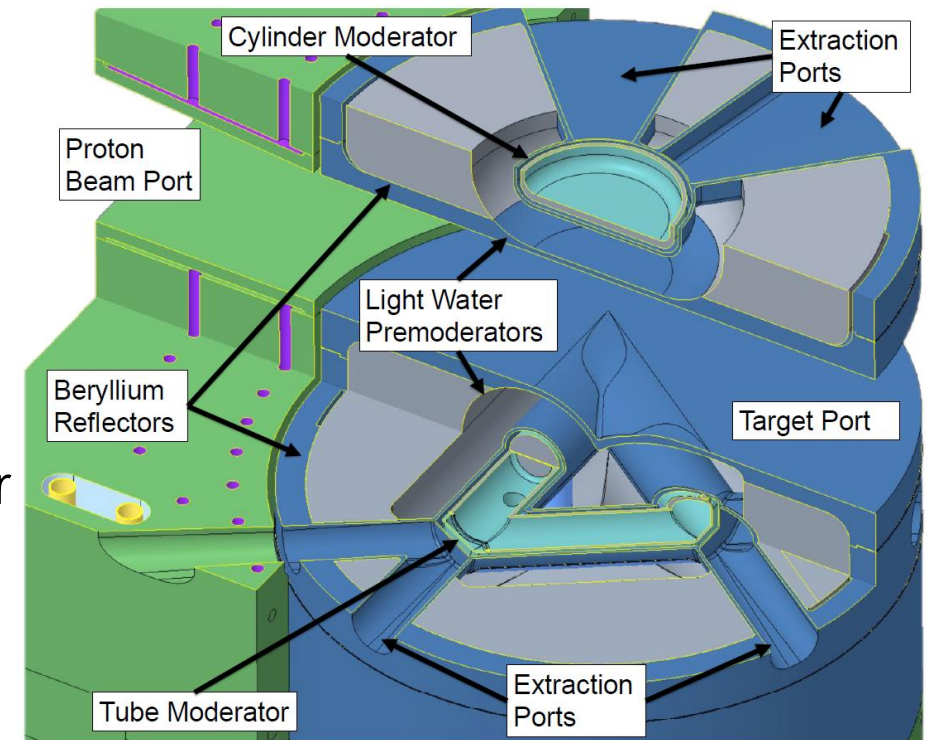
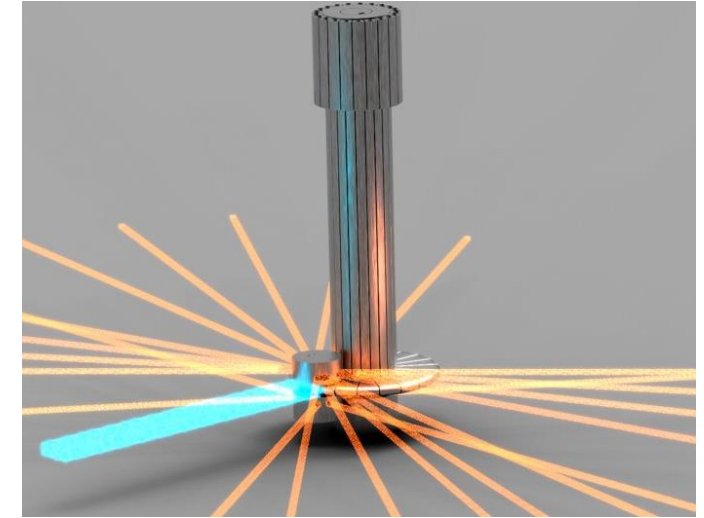


Monolith visual scope



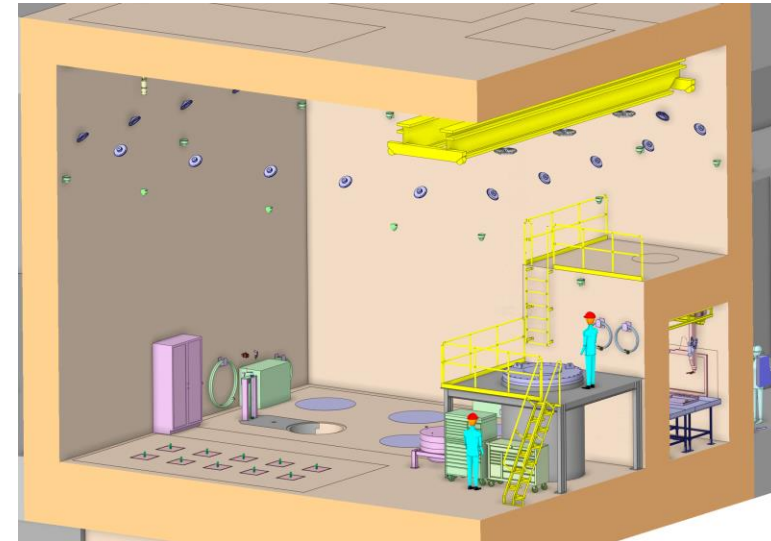
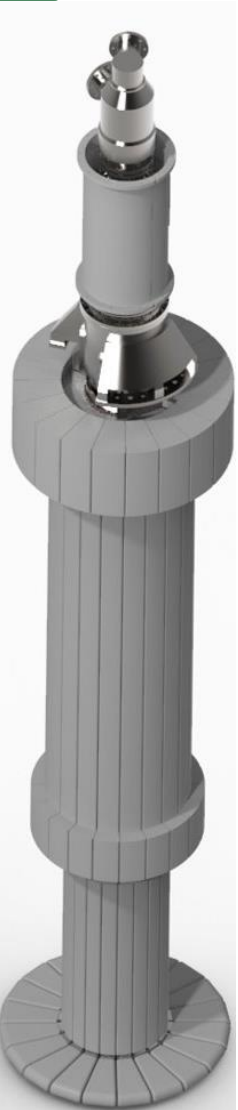
STS Target Systems key parameters / features

- 1.3 GeV, 700 kW, 15 Hz, 46.7 kJ/pulse
- Rotating tungsten target 1.1 m diameter x 60 mm tall
- Small (3 cm) 20 kelvin supercritical hydrogen moderators
 - Coupled and not poisoned
 - 2 cm light water pre-moderator
- Be reflector, no heavy water
- Aluminum proton beam window
- Core Vessel with flexibility for helium or rough vacuum operation
- Vertical only maintenance
- No heavy shutters – neutron optics close to moderator face with minimal windows



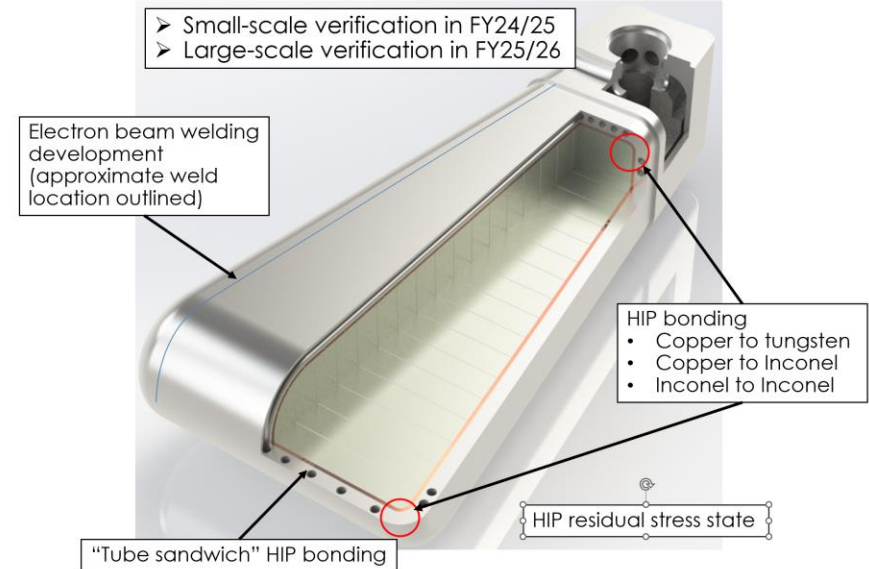
Key Target Systems decisions and relation to MRA

- Rotating Target – afterheat protection, efficiency
 - No lateral reflector material in MRA
- Vertical access to target
 - MRA “captures” target
- Segmented Target – maintenance, availability, and flexibility
 - MRA removal / installation is couples with removal of at least 3 segments
 - MRA is pure vertical removal / installation
 - Upward dose during removal is
- Brightness optimization – small proton beam, small target, close moderators
 - MRA configuration, manufacturability, tolerances, and alignment
- Single hydrogen loop for both moderators – facility simplification and cost savings
 - MRA moderators in series
- Target Viewing Periscope included
 - MRA provides viewing path
- Cost effective future PIE capability included
 - Focus is target block – no requirements for MRA PIE

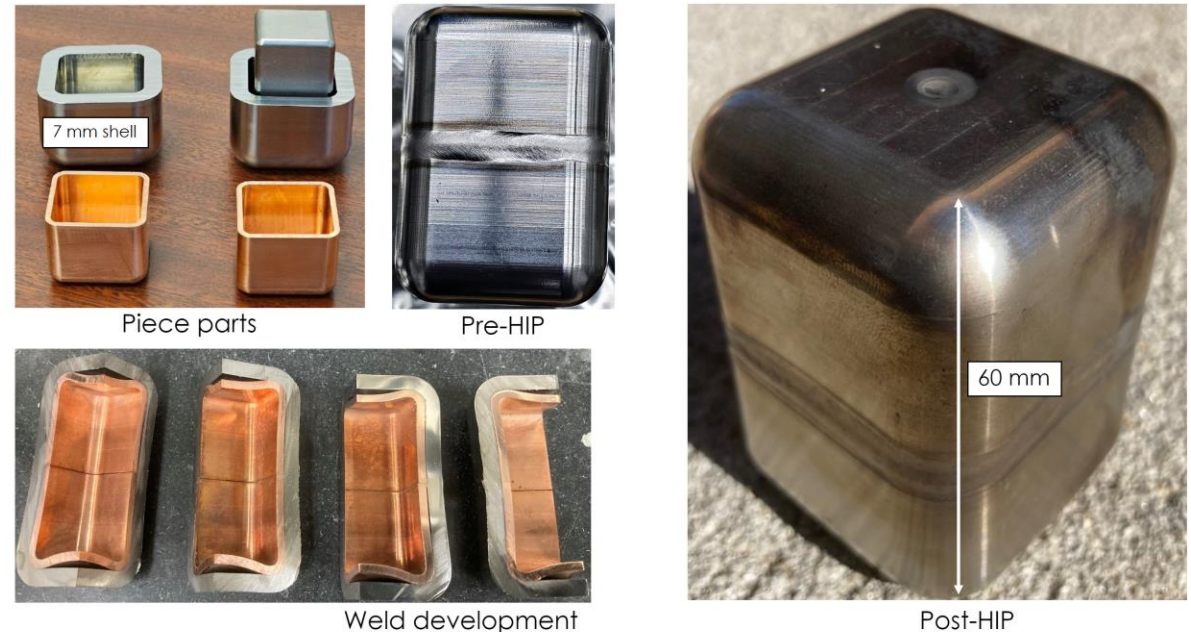


Remaining Target Systems key challenges

- Target block manufacturability
- Core Vessel Beltline manufacturability
- Design coordination, particularly with conventional facilities and integrated controls
- Execution!



Mk. 1 small-scale HIP test article – 4 mm Inconel shell



Summary

- STS will provide world class neutron brightness to an initial suite of 8 instruments, expanding ORNL's leadership in neutron scattering science
- STS requirements are established, which drive project scope across 5 technical systems
- STS Target Systems requirements are established and key design decisions have been based on these requirements
- MRA preliminary design supports Target Systems and STS requirements, specifically towards:
 - Beam parameters
 - Neutron brightness
 - Number of instruments
 - Availability
 - Maintenance
 - Waste path