



# WELCOME TO THE EPN CAMPUS

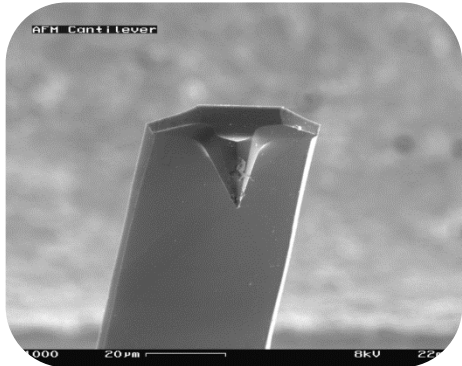
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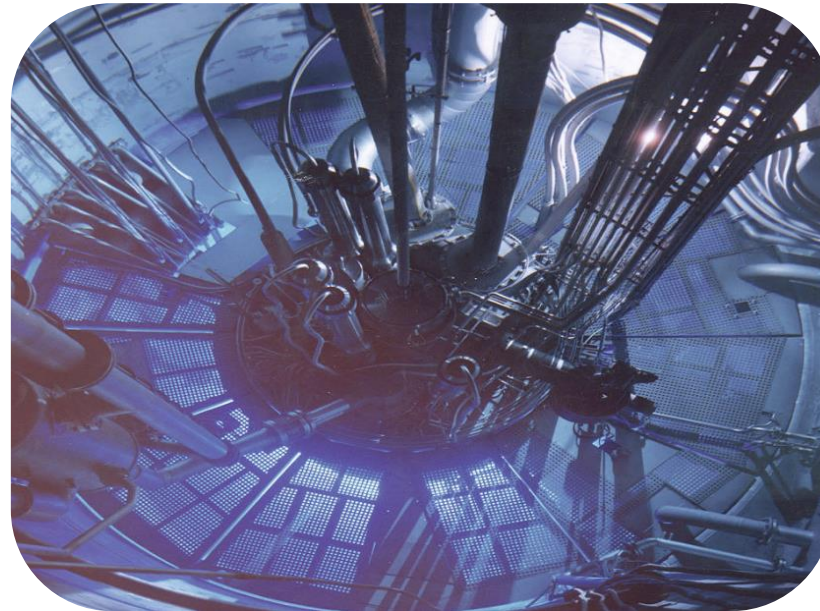
# UNDERSTANDING MATTER NEEDS A RANGE OF ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

Europe (Grenoble!) has some of the world's leading infrastructure

## Microscopy



## Neutron scattering



## Nuclear Magnetic Resonance



## X-rays

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# **WHY NEUTRONS?**

## **ABOUT THE ILL**

### **A BIT OF HISTORY**

### **LOOKING TO THE FUTURE**

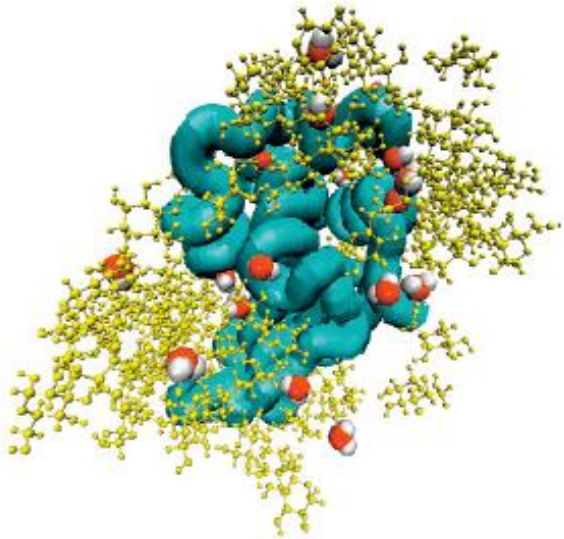
# NEUTRON WAVELENGTH IS COMPARABLE TO INTER-ATOMIC DISTANCES



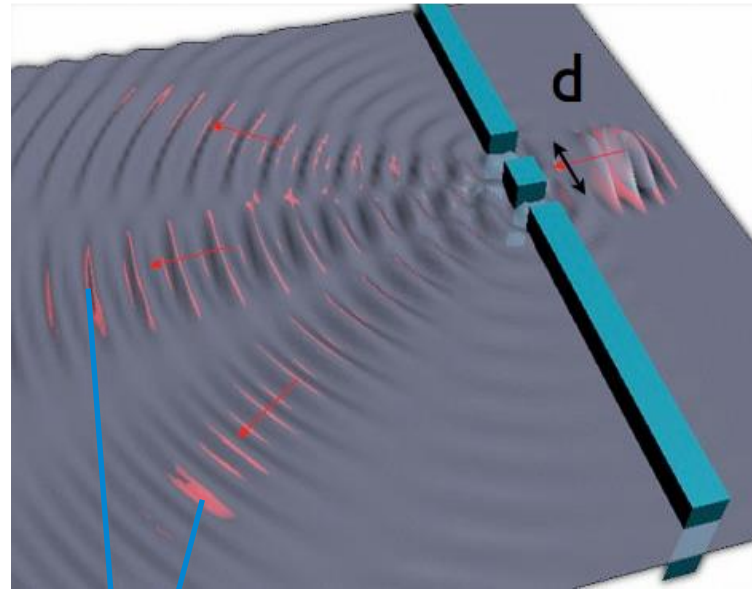
Wavelengths vary from less than 0.01 nm to more the 1 nm.

Combined with Bragg's Law, distances covering 6 orders of magnitude can be probed.

From 1000 nm

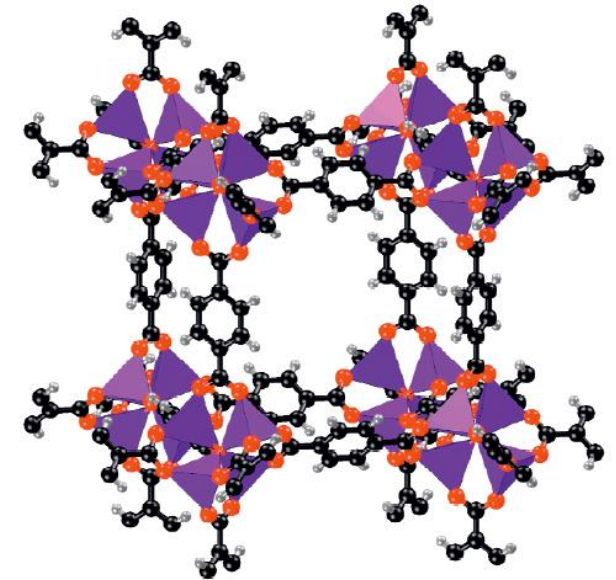


*Cold neutrons*



$$\Delta\phi = \frac{\Delta y}{D} = \frac{\lambda}{d}$$

To 0.001 nm



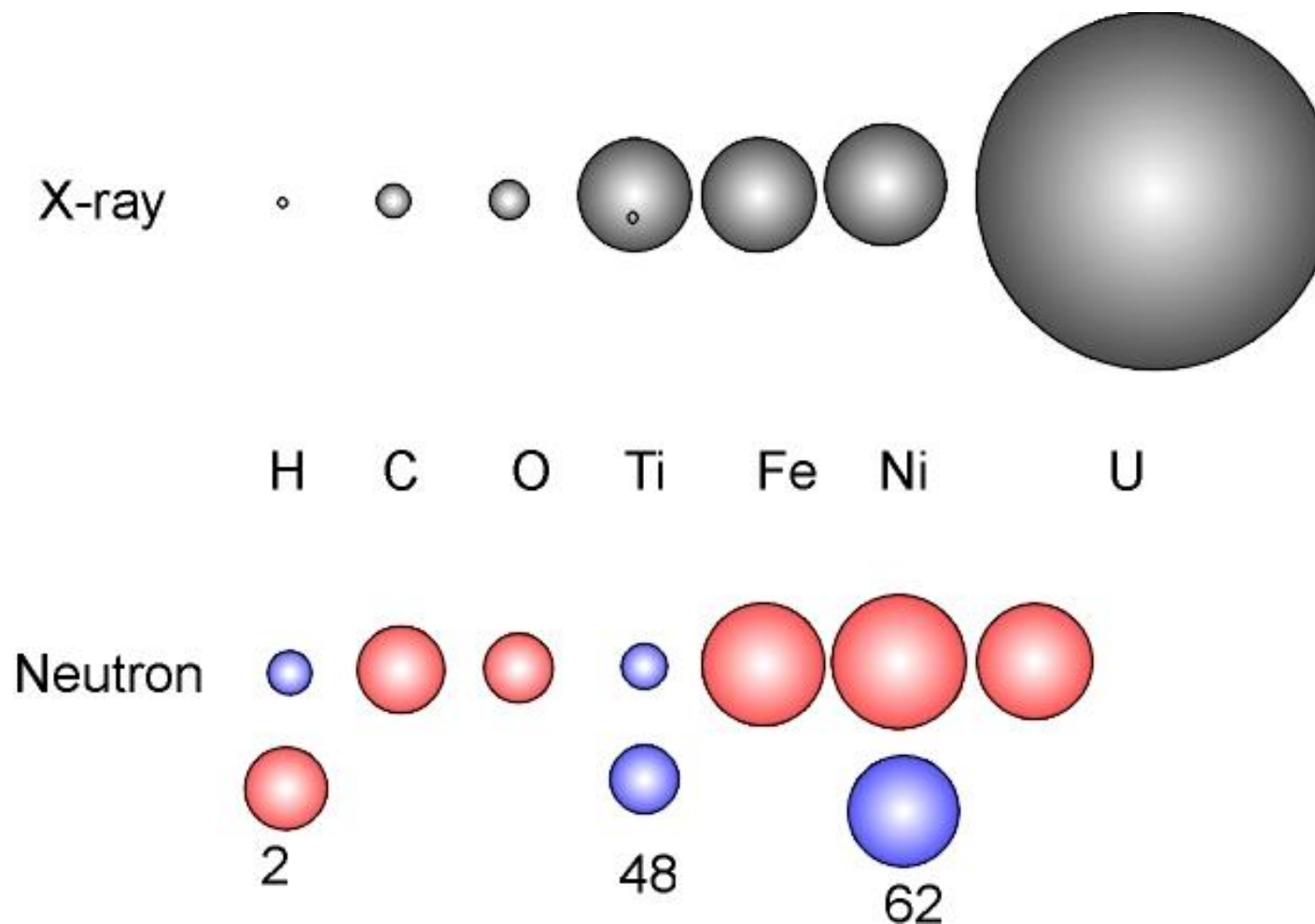
*Hot neutrons*



# NEUTRONS ARE SCATTERED BY NUCLEI



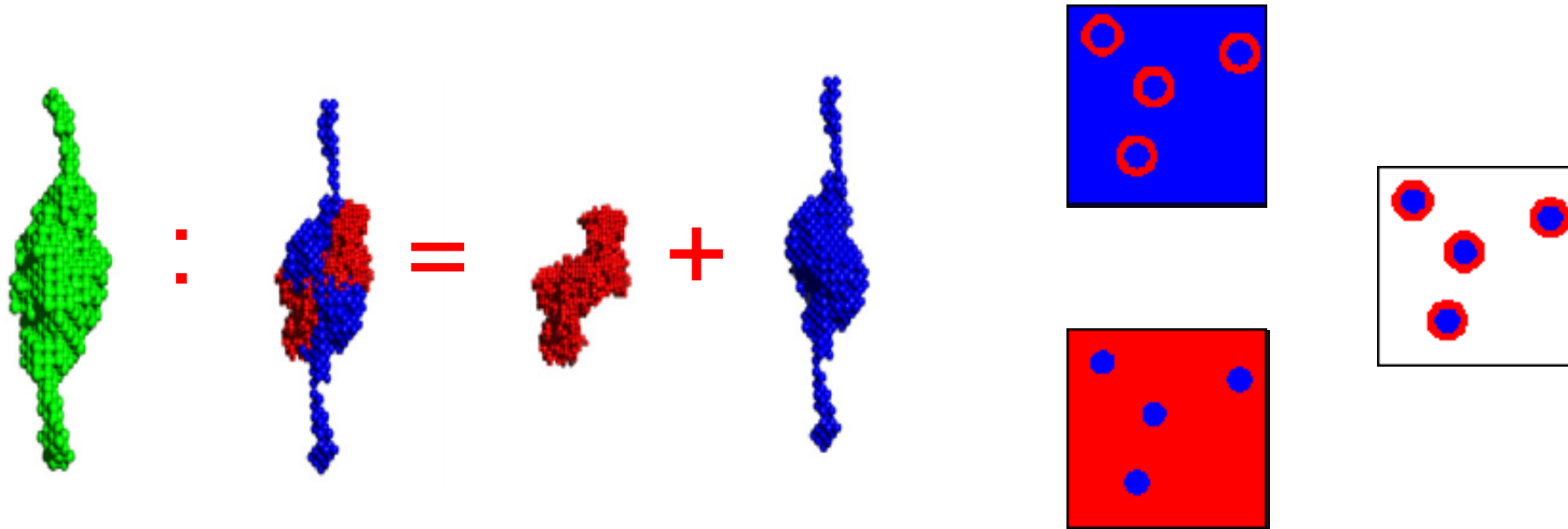
With no charge, neutrons penetrate the electronic cloud of materials and are scattered by nuclei – this depends on nuclear spin and isotope



# NEUTRONS ARE SCATTERED BY NUCLEI → CONTRAST VARIATION



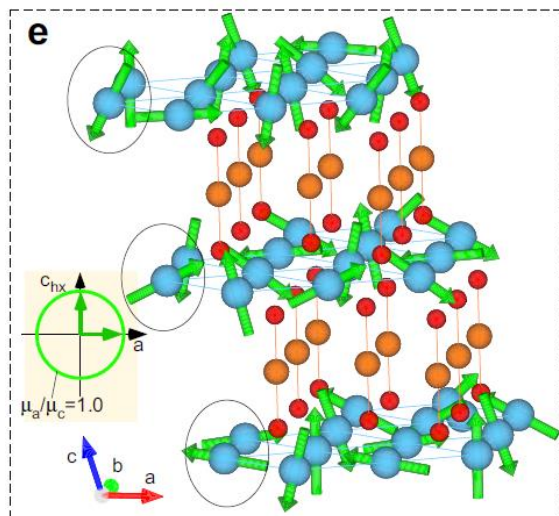
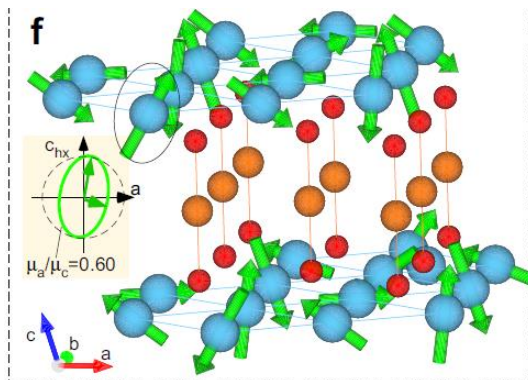
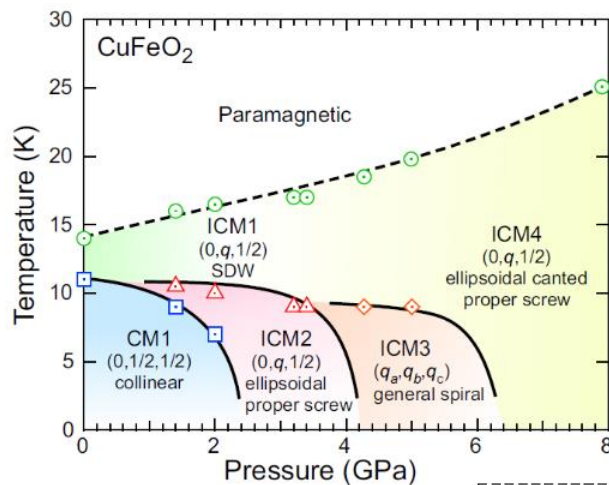
$\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{D}_2\text{O}$  solutions can have zero scattering length or they can be matched to the scattering power of individual components



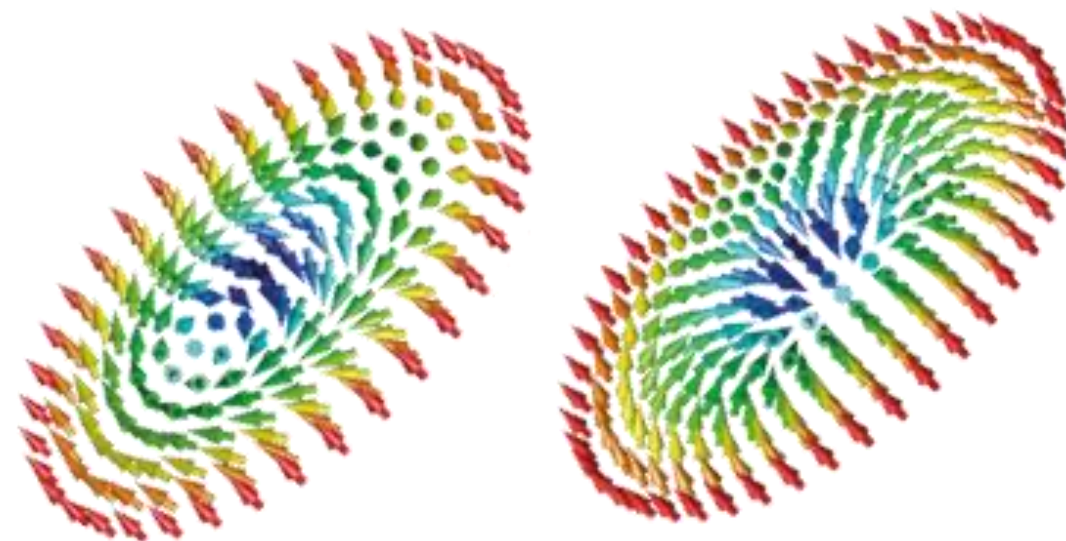
# NEUTRON SPIN INTERACTS WITH UNPAIRED ELECTRONS → MAGNETISM



Neutrons probe directly the complex magnetic structure and excitations of materials – polarized neutron beams and magnetic fields facilitate these investigations



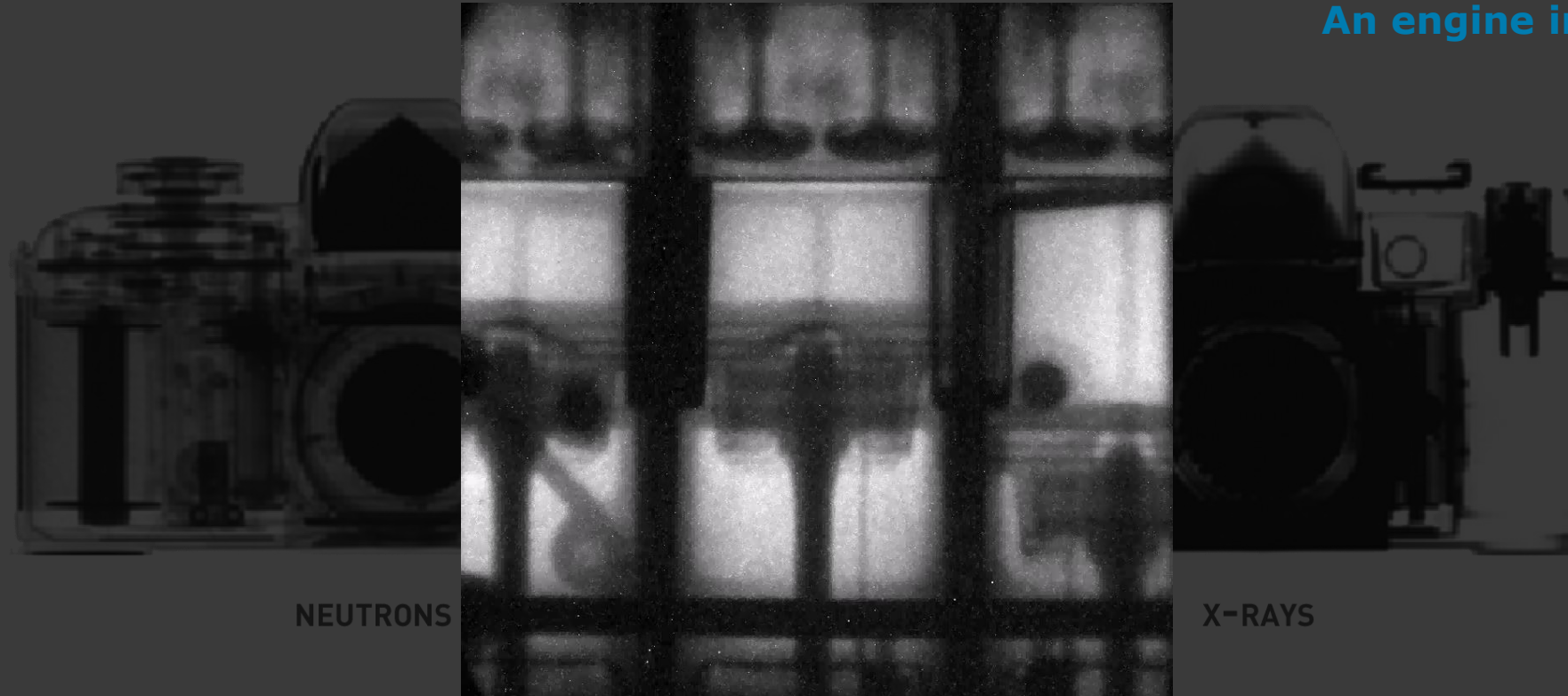
Arrangement of spins in two skyrmion structures



Complex spin structures in multiferroics

I. Kezsmarki et al., Nature Materials, 2015, 14, 1116; DOI: 10.1038/nmat4402ptions.

# NEUTRON IMAGING – DEPENDS ON ABSORPTION AND SCATTERING (NUCLEAR AND MAGNETIC)



NEUTRONS

X-RAYS

An engine in action

**Plastic components are well resolved by neutrons owing to their hydrogen content while the metallic body is penetrated easily**

Jeremy H. Lakey J. R. Soc. Interface 2009;6:S567-S573

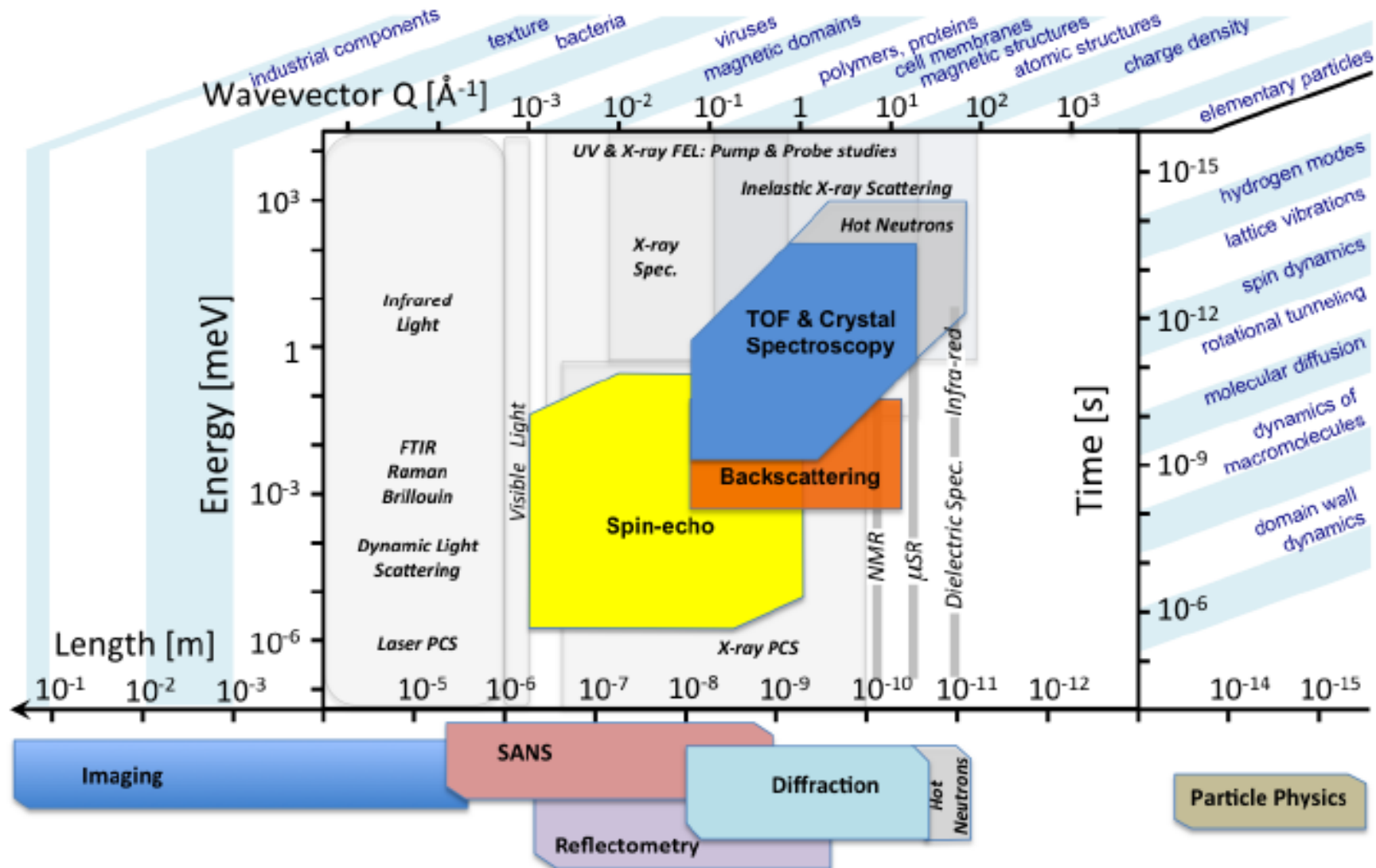


# NEUTRON SCATTERING COVERS MANY ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE



15 ORDERS OF  
MAGNITUDE IN  
LENGTH

10 ORDERS OF  
MAGNITUDE IN  
TIME



# NEUTRONS AS “OBJECTS” – PARTICLE PHYSICS



## The neutron

- Lives for  $\sim 15$  minutes
- Has an electric dipole moment of (almost) zero
- Has quantised states in the earth's gravitational field (*micron* spatial separation  $\rightarrow$  *peV* energy separation  $\rightarrow$  ultra cold neutrons)



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# NEUTRON RICH NUCLEI – NUCLEAR PHYSICS



Understand and produce, pure short-lived (~weeks) isotopes for therapeutic applications

Lu 176 2.59	Lu 177 160.1 d	Lu 178 22.7 m	Lu 178 28.4 m
3.68 h $\beta^-$ 1.2; 1.3...; $\epsilon$ $\gamma$ 88... $e^-$	3.8·10 <sup>10</sup> a $\beta^-$ 0.0... $\gamma$ 307; 202; 88... $\sigma$ 2 +2100	$\beta^-$ 0.5... $\gamma$ 208; 113... $m$ $\sigma$ 3.2	$\beta^-$ 0.5... $\gamma$ 208; 113... $m$ $\sigma$ 1000
Yb 175 4.2 d	Yb 176 12 s	Yb 177 6.5 s	Yb 177 1.9 h
$\beta^-$ 0.5... $\gamma$ 396; 283; 114...	$\beta^-$ 0.5... $\gamma$ 293; 390; 190; 96... $\sigma$ 3.1	$\beta^-$ 1.4... $\gamma$ 150; 1080; 122; 1241 $e^-$	$\beta^-$ 1.4... $\gamma$ 150; 1080; 122; 1241 $e^-$

Thyroid:  $^{131}\text{I}^-$

Lymphoma:  
Zevalin® ( $^{90}\text{Y}$ -mab)  
Bexxar® ( $^{131}\text{I}$ -mab)  
 $^{131}\text{I}/^{177}\text{Lu}$ -mabs (I/II)

Bone metastases:  
Metastron® ( $^{90}\text{SrCl}_2$ )  
Quadramet® ( $^{153}\text{Sm-EDTMP}$ )  
Xofigo® ( $^{223}\text{RaCl}_2$ )

Neuroblastoma:  
 $^{131}\text{I}$ -MIBG

Neuroendocrine  
(GEP-NET):  
 $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -peptides (III)

Liver (HCC):  
Theraspheres® &  
SIRspheres® ( $^{90}\text{Y}$ )  
 $^{188}\text{Re}$ -Lipiodol (II)  
 $^{166}\text{Ho}$ -microspheres

Brain:  $^{90}\text{Y}$ -mab,  $^{131}\text{I}$ -mab (I/II),  $^{211}\text{At}$ -mab (I),  $^{213}\text{Bi}$ -pept.(I)

Leukemia, myeloma:  
 $^{131}\text{Y}$ -mab (III),  
 $^{213}\text{Bi}/^{225}\text{Ac}$ -mab (II)

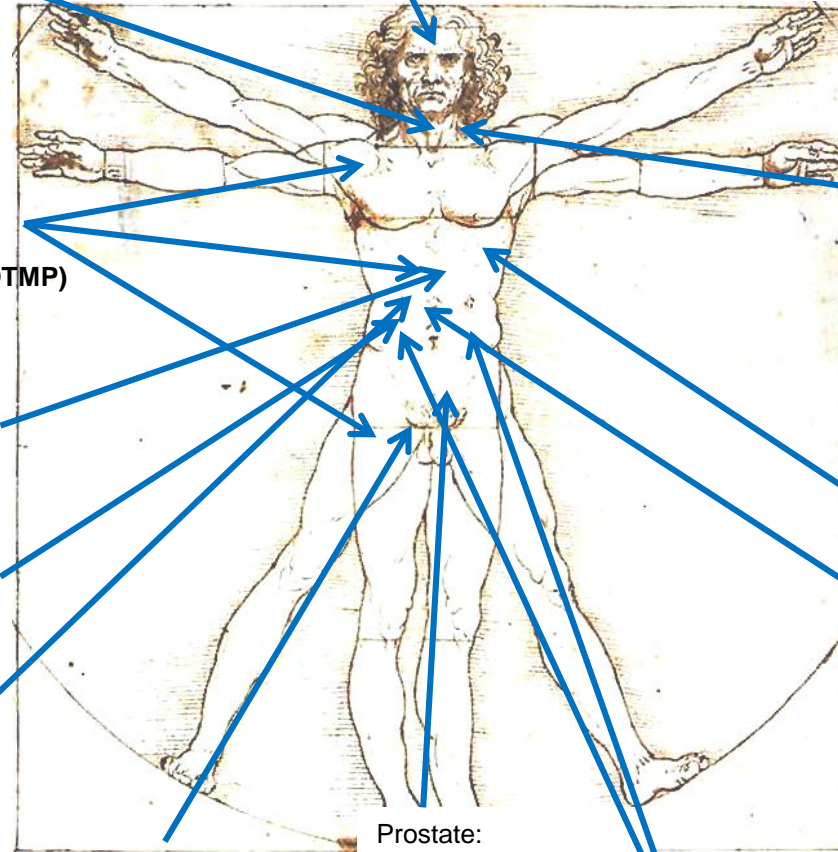
Medullary Thyroid:  $^{131}\text{I}$ -  
mab (II)  
 $^{90}\text{Y}/^{177}\text{Lu}$ -pept.

Breast:  
 $^{90}\text{Y}$ -mab,  $^{131}\text{I}$  (II),  $^{212}\text{P}$ -  
mab (I)

Lung (SCLC):  
 $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -mab (II)

Pancreas:  
 $^{90}\text{Y}$ -mab (III)

Ovary:  
 $^{212}\text{Pb}$ -mab (I)  
 $^{90}\text{Y}/^{177}\text{Lu}$ -mab



Colon & rectum:  
 $^{131}\text{I}$ -mab (II)

Prostate:  
 $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -mab (II)  
 $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA (I)

Kidneys (RCC):  
 $^{90}\text{Y}/^{177}\text{Lu}$ -mab (II)

Melanoma:  
 $^{213}\text{Bi}$ -mab(I)



# THE BRIGHTEST NEUTRON SPOT IN EUROPE

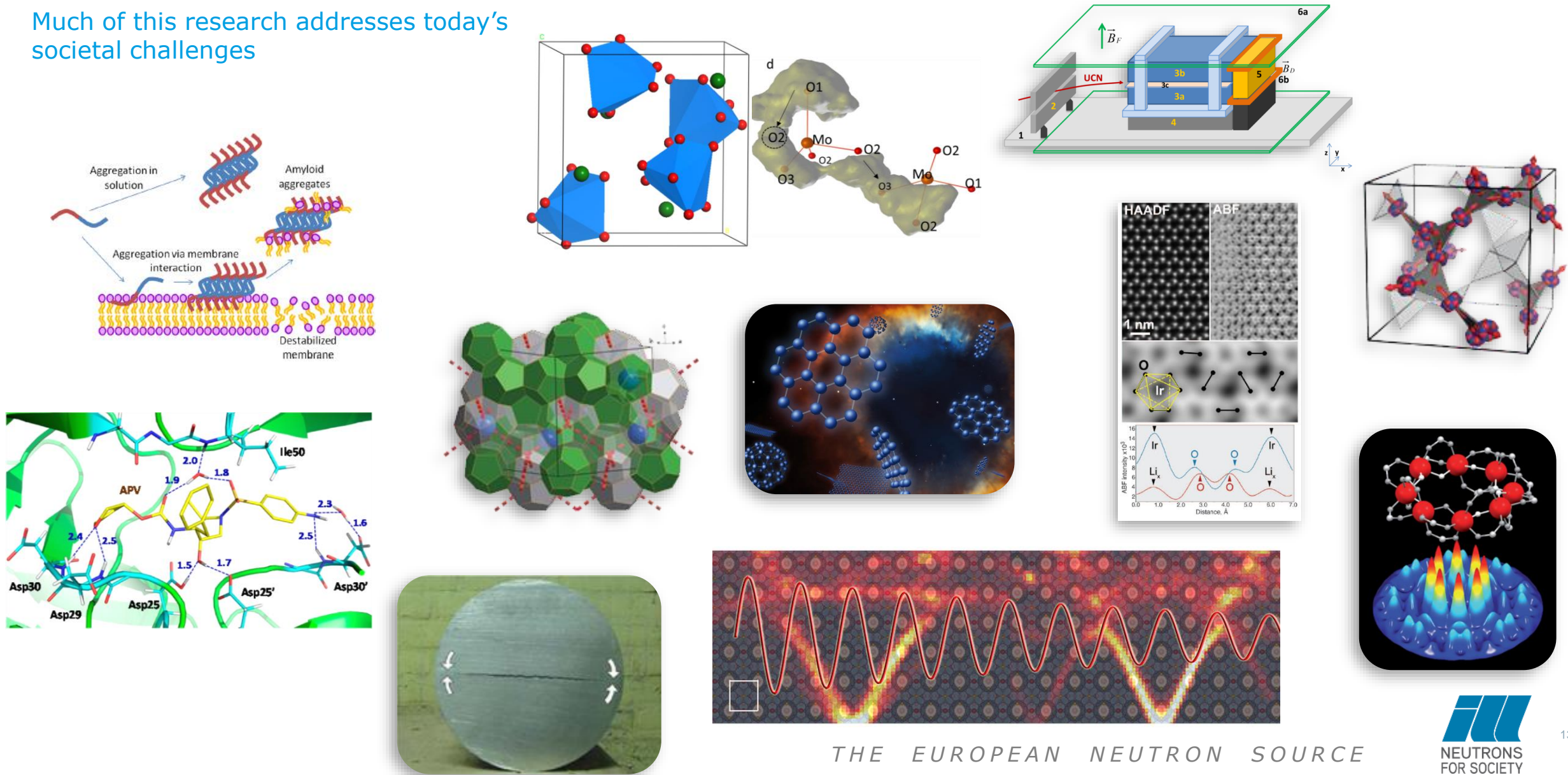




# CONDENSED MATTER (AND MORE) CAN BE STUDIED WITH NEUTRONS



Much of this research addresses today's societal challenges





# WE ARE THE WORLD'S FLAGSHIP FACILITY

**AFTER ALMOST 50 YEARS OF OPERATION,  
WE ARE STILL NUMBER ONE**





Because the ILL:

- Is the **most intense** continuous neutron source in the world
- Adapts to **scientific trends** and the needs of the **user community**
- Offers the best **cutting-edge instrumentation**
- Attracts and benefits from the **best researchers** on the international stage

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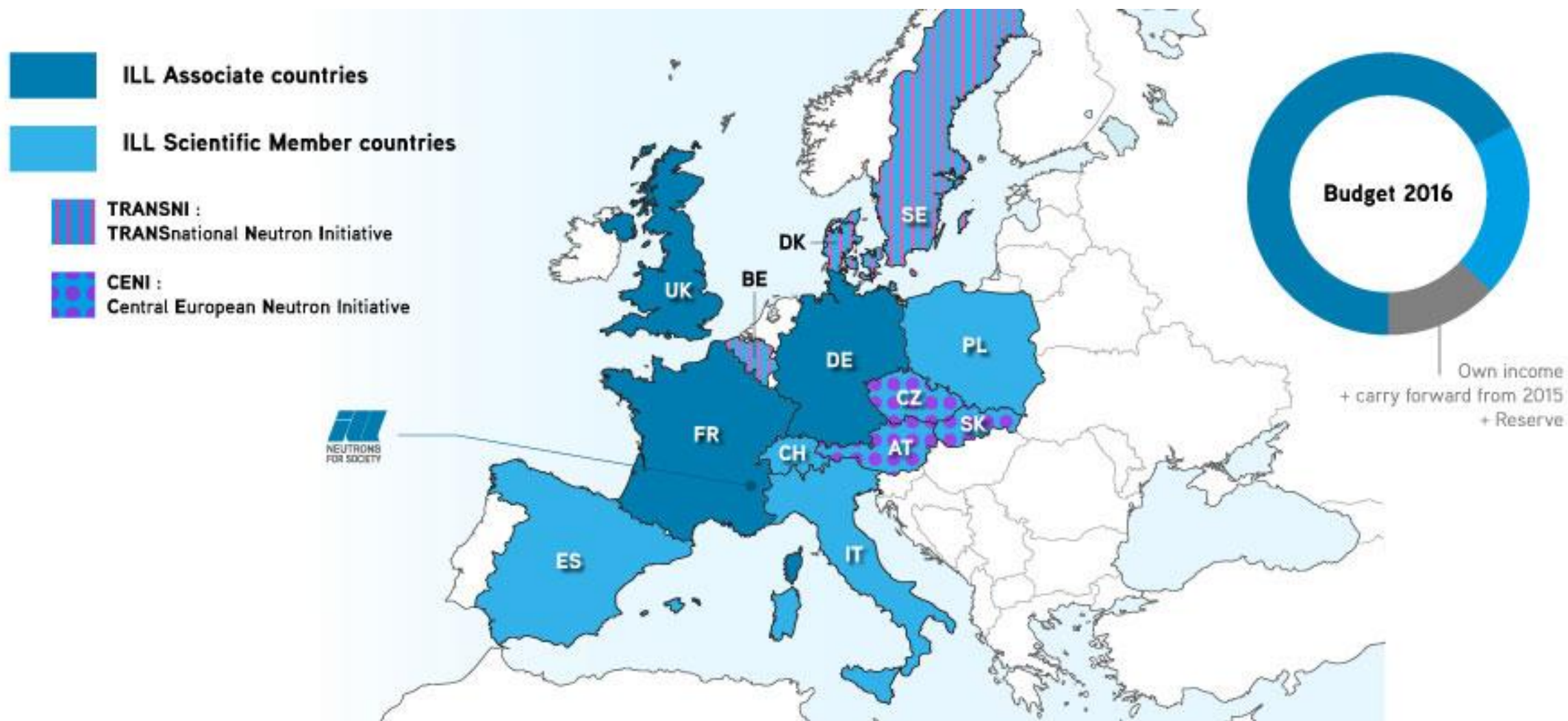
# EUROPE HAS THE HIGHEST CONCENTRATION OF NEUTRON SOURCES

Neutrons are a unique analytical probe, only available at large scale facilities





# THE ILL MEMBER COUNTRIES AND THEIR FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION





# KEY FIGURES ABOUT THE ILL



**1400 users/year from an active community of 12 000 scientists**



**850 experiments/year**



**600 publications/year**



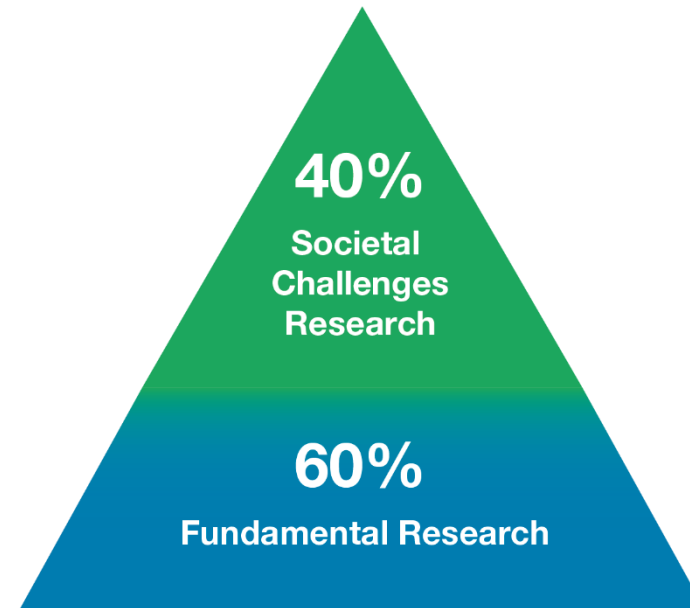
**38 countries**



**28 instruments + 10 CRG**



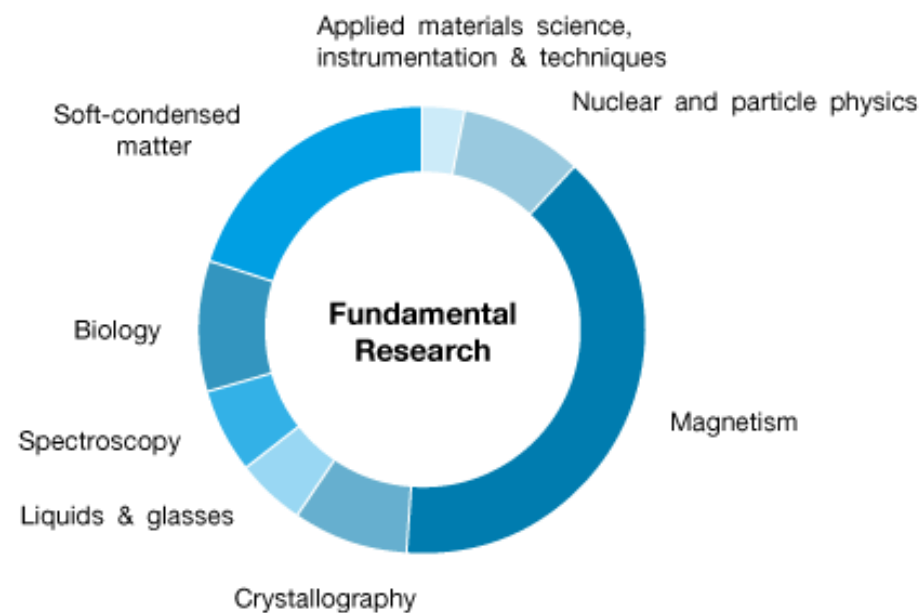
**150 - 200 days operation/year**



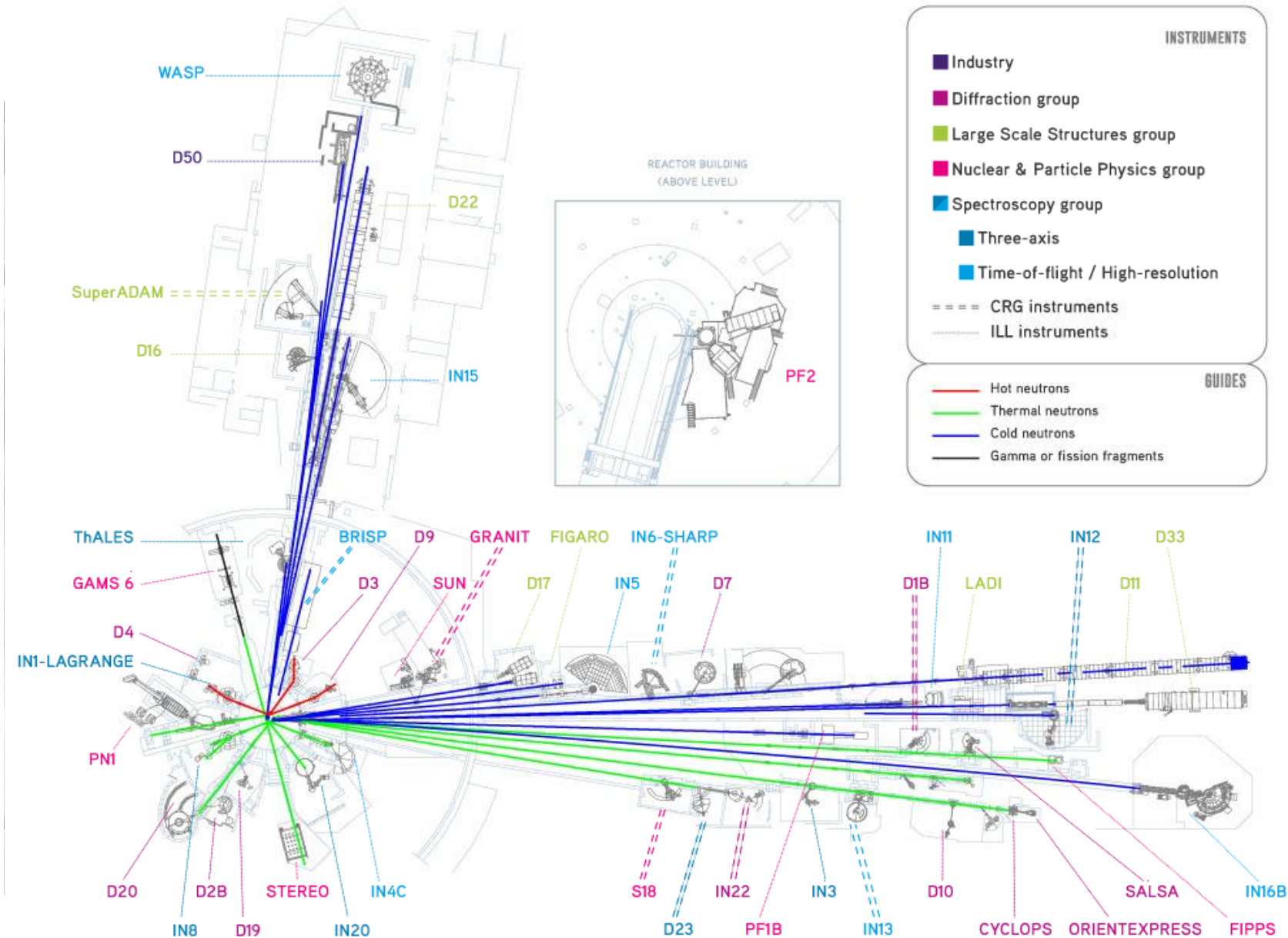
# RESEARCH AREAS COVERED BY THE ILL



As per accepted proposals

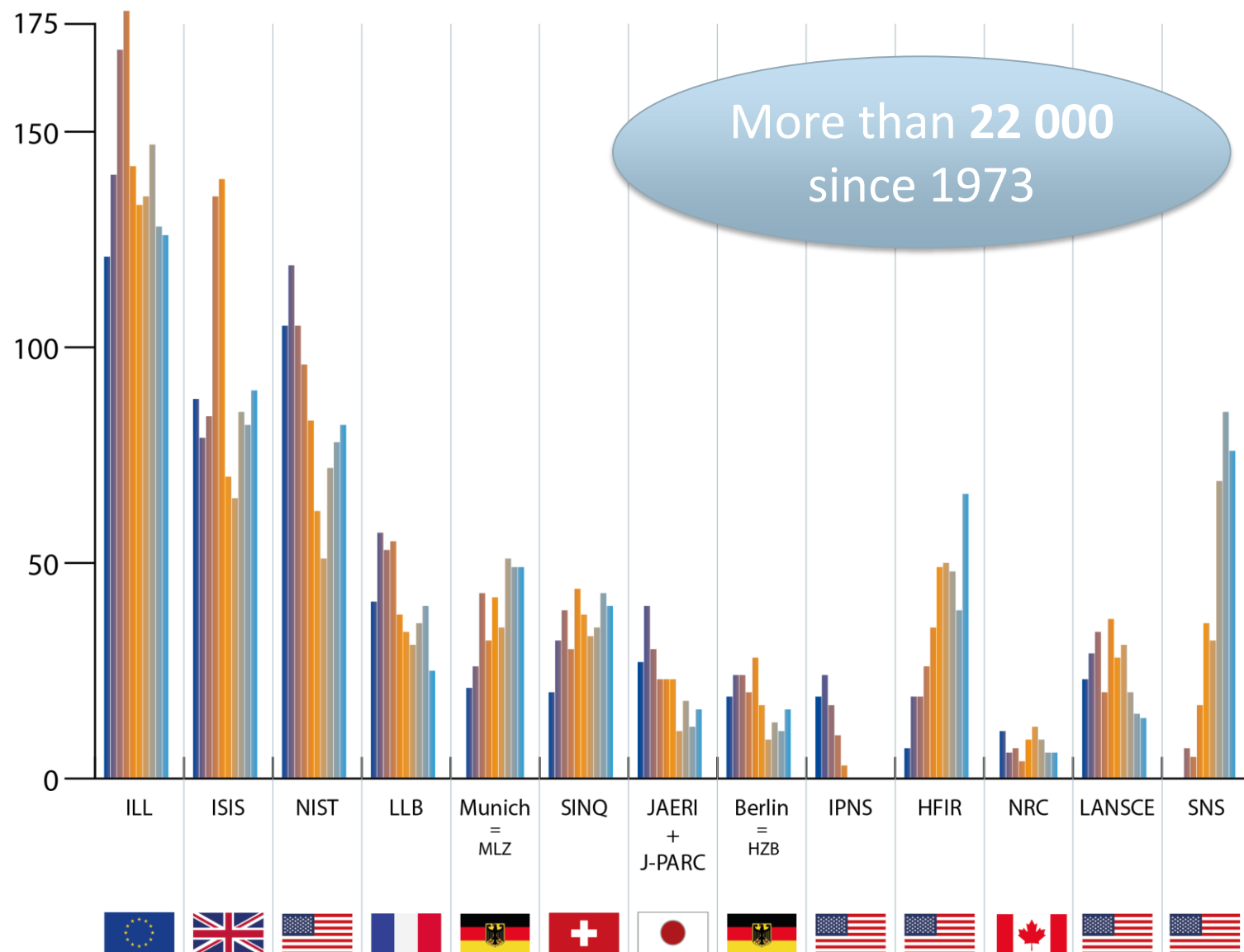


# THE ILL'S INSTRUMENT SUITE





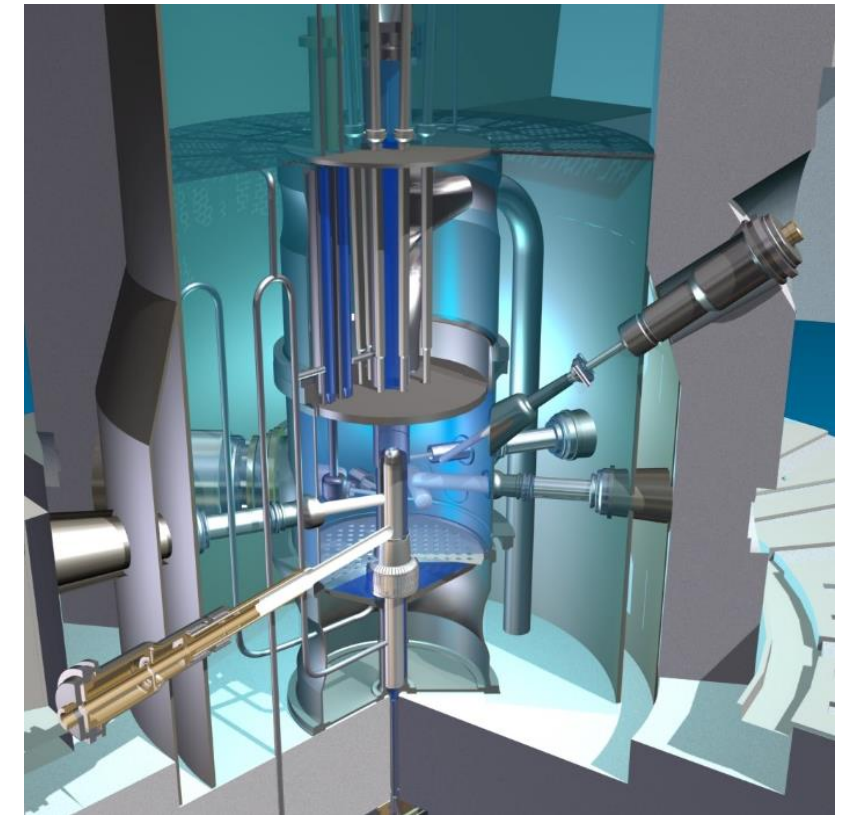
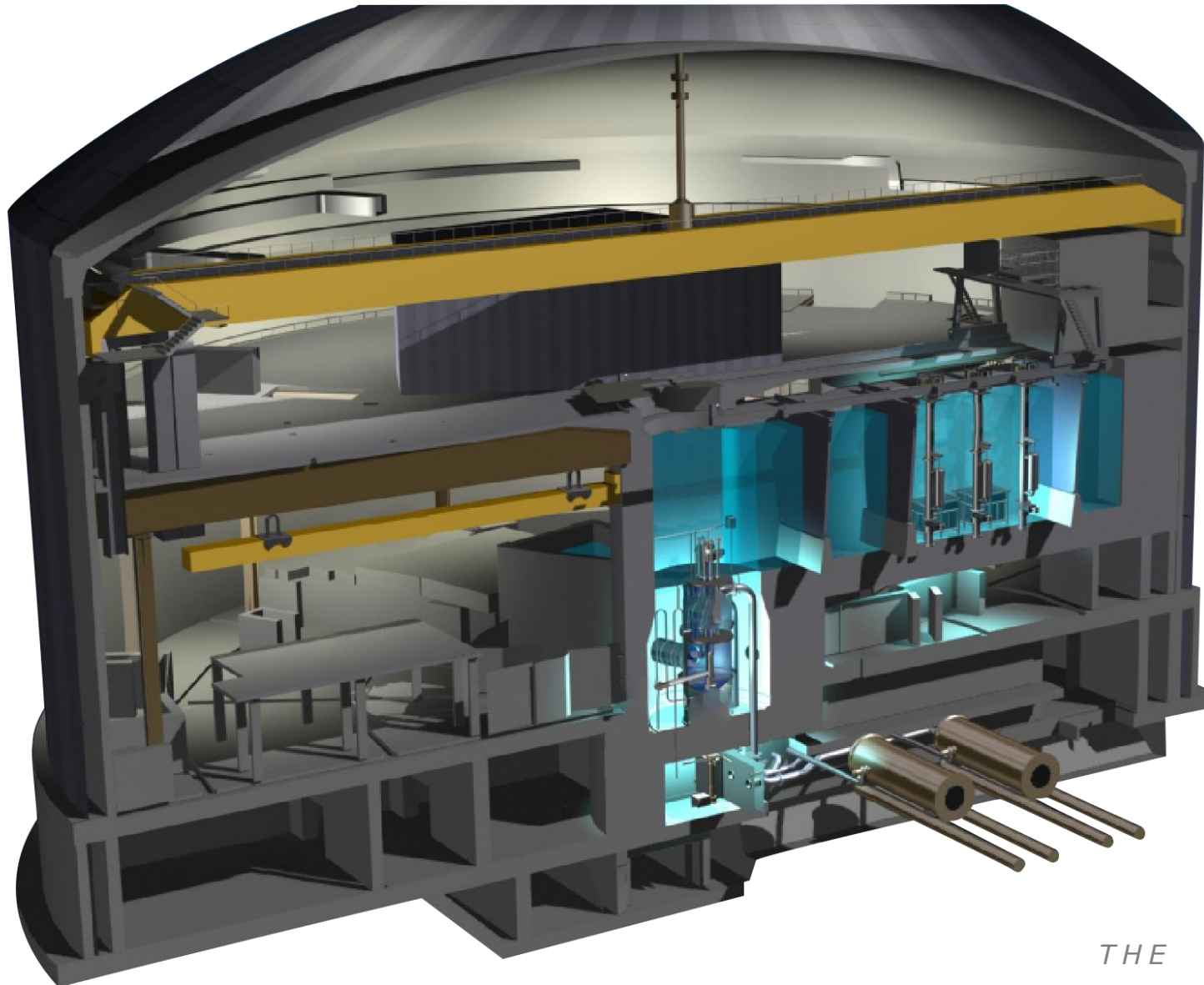
# PUBLICATIONS IN HIGH-IMPACT SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS AT THE ILL



Chemistry of Materials  
 Europhysics Letters  
 J. Molecular Biology  
 JACS  
 Langmuir  
 Macromolecules  
 Nature  
 Nature Materials  
 Nature Physics  
 Phys. Rev. B  
 Phys. Rev. C  
 Phys. Rev. E  
 Phys. Rev. Lett.  
 Science

2007 2016

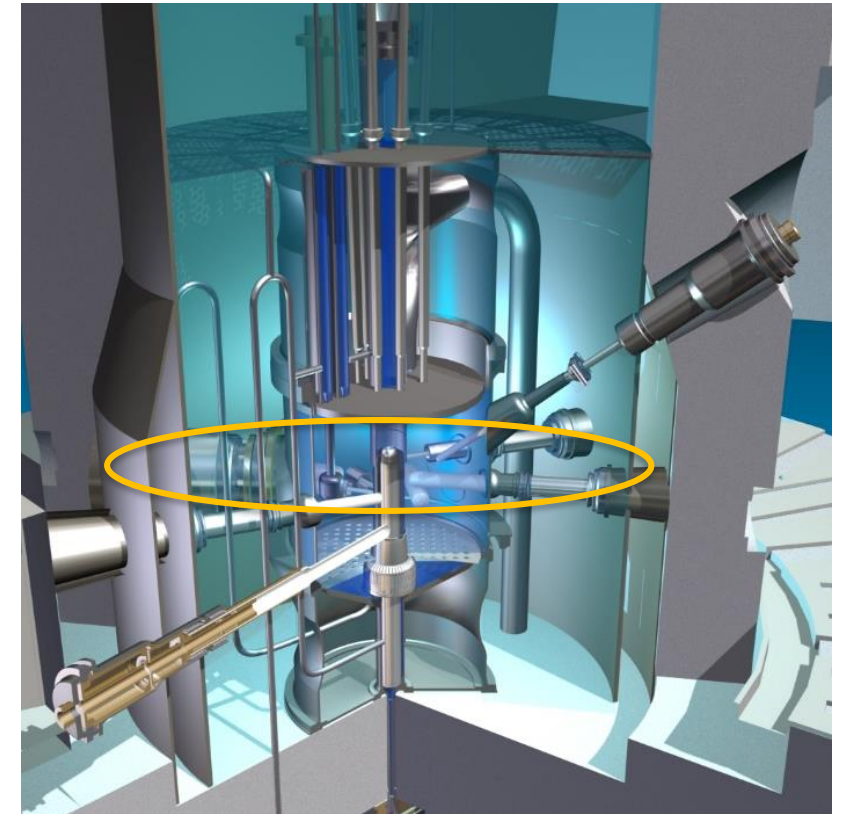
# THE ILL REACTOR



**A neutron source generating  
 $\sim 10^{15}$  neutrons/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec  
at a max power of 57 MW**

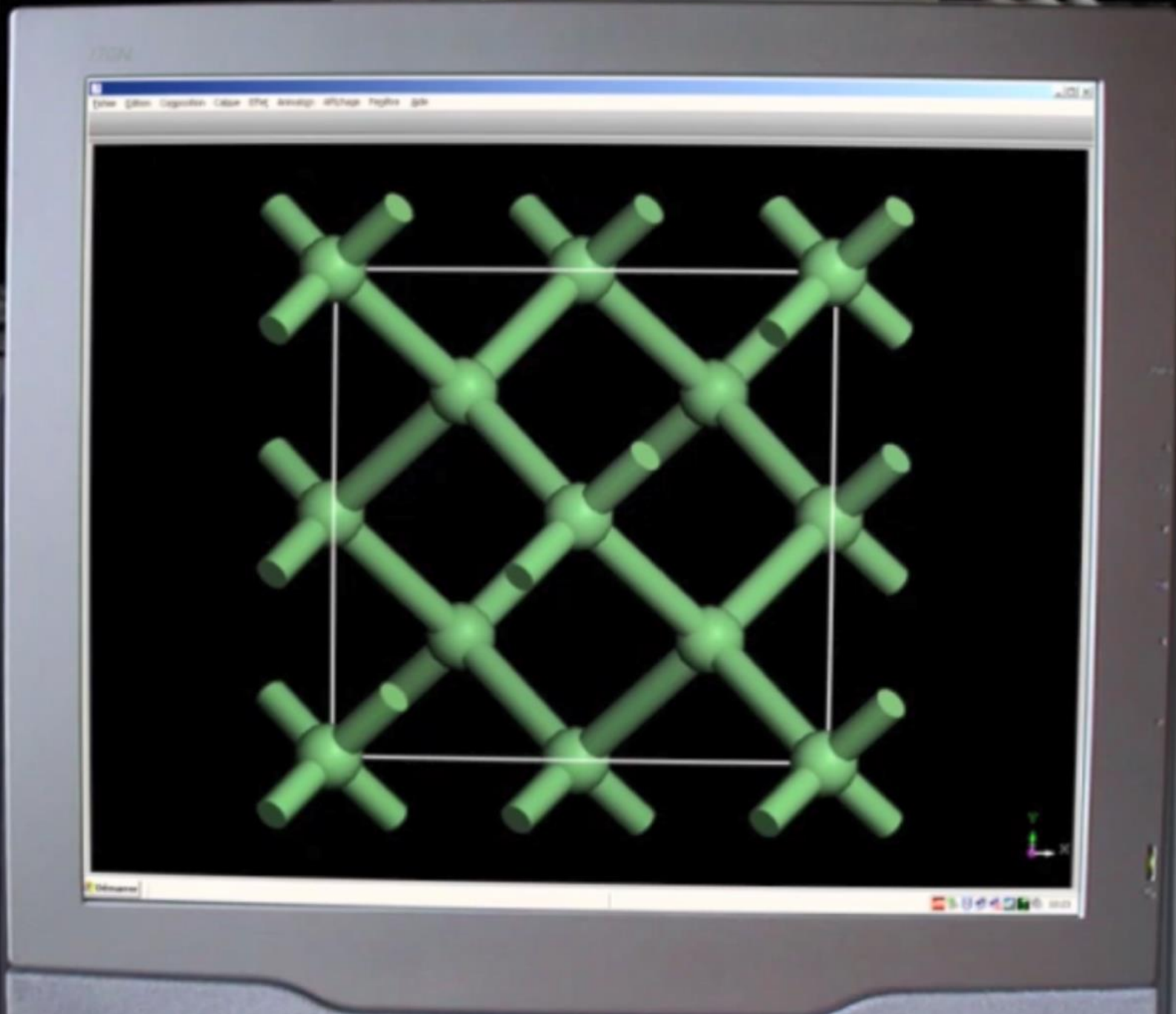
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# HOW NEUTRONS ARE EXTRACTED AND GUIDED





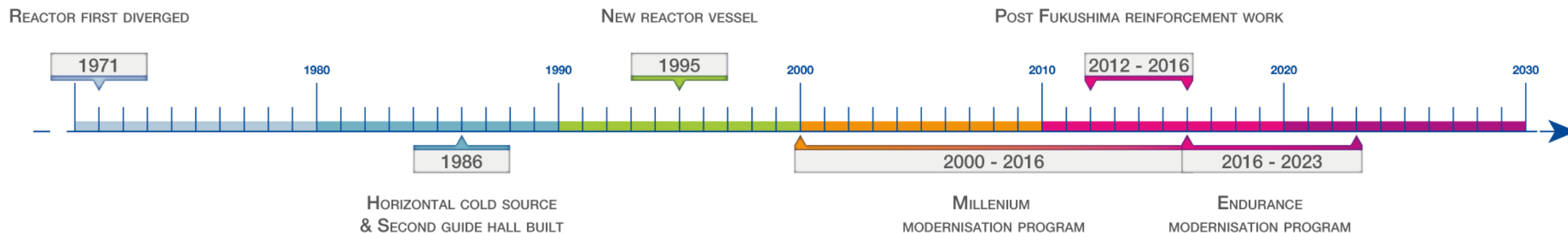
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# MODERNISATION PROGRAMMES



A constant upgrade of our facilities and instruments :  
the secret of our excellent, modern and highly efficient instrumentation



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# MODERNISATION PROGRAMMES



A constant upgrade of our facilities and instruments :  
the secret to our 45-year long record of world leadership in neutron science

## First phase : 2001-2008

- 14 new or upgraded instruments
  - 42 M€ invested



## Second phase : 2009-2016

- 4 new instruments + 3 instruments CRG
- 4 instrument upgrades
  - 43 M€ invested

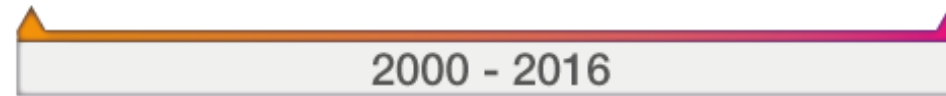


- ✓ 'twice as bright' replaced or renewed neutron guides
- ✓ technical devices improved, from cryostats to magnets
- ✓ new polarised optics
- ✓ new electronic instrument control system...



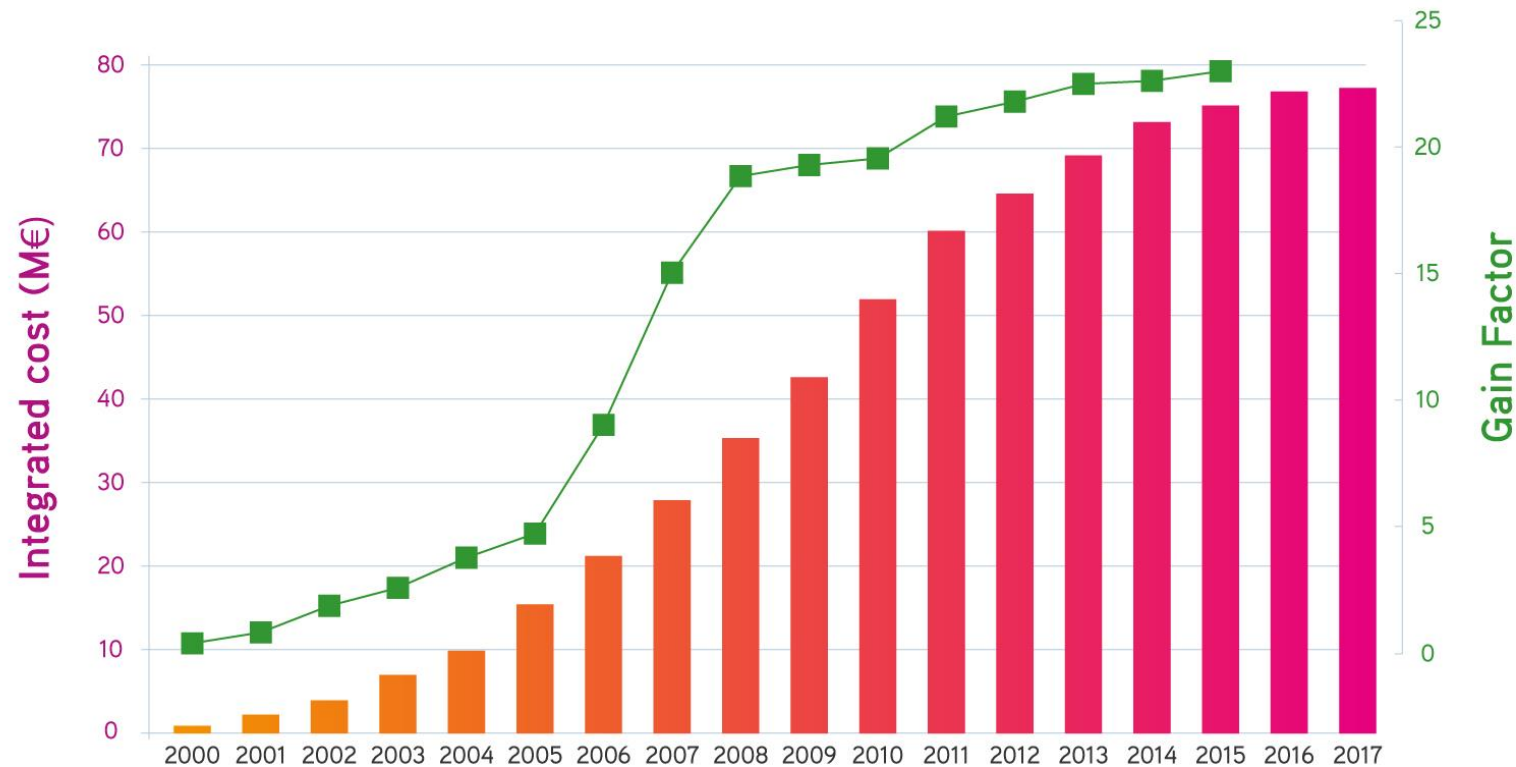


# MODERNISATION PROGRAMMES



MILLENNIUM  
MODERNISATION PROGRAM

**The resulting average neutron detection rate on the instruments is almost improved by a factor of 25!**



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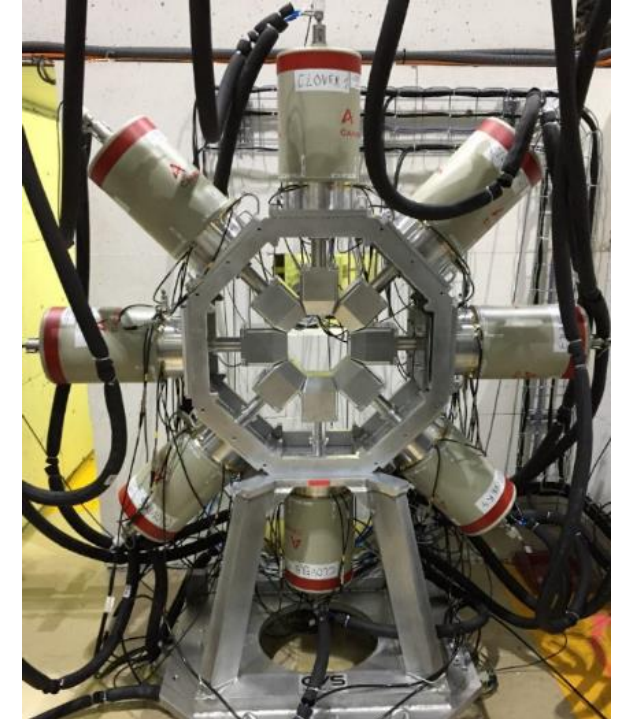


A constant upgrade of our facilities and instruments :  
the secret to our 45-year long record of world leadership in neutron science

## First phase : 2016-2019

## Second phase : 2020-2023

- 9 instrument projects
  - Creation or refurbishment of neutron guides
  - 2 infrastructure projects:
    - sample environment
    - data analysis software
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- ✓ preserve our position of leadership by drawing on our strengths
  - ✓ offer new possibilities in the fields of magnetism, materials science, soft matter, biology and particle physics

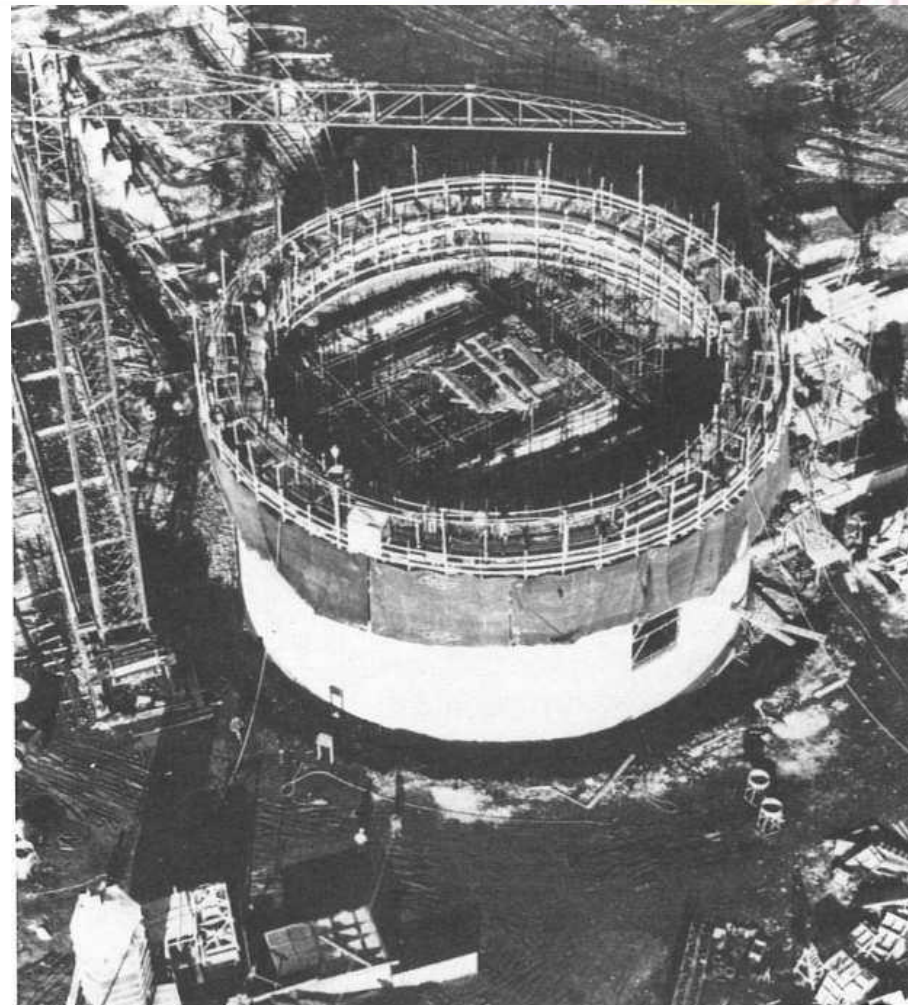
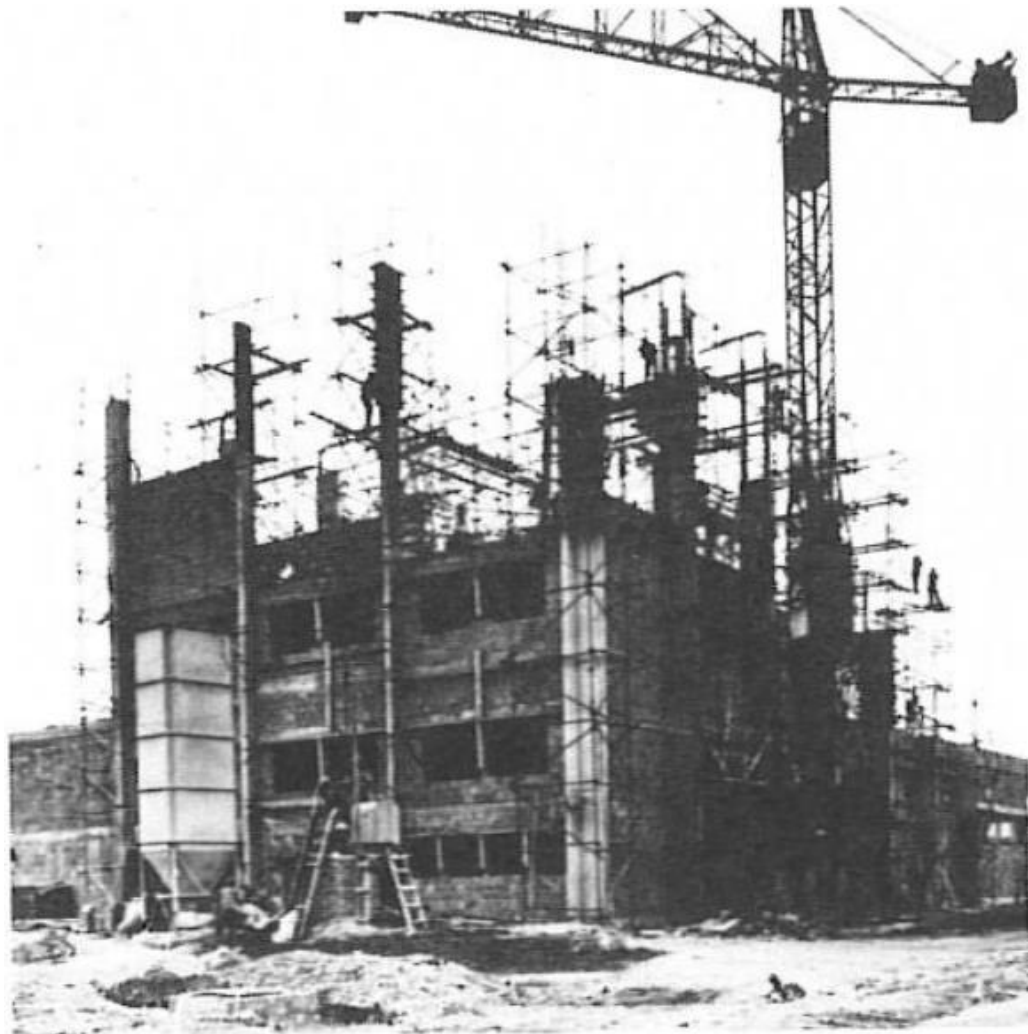


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Le réacteur Siloé en construction:

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## A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY: 19 JANUARY 1967



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## A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY: 1971 - 1973



1971:

→ Divergence (Aug 31) and full power (Dec 21)

1973:

→ start of user programme

→ UK joins ILL

→ UK joins EU!

→ (1975: referendum on UK remaining in EU – 67% YES!)

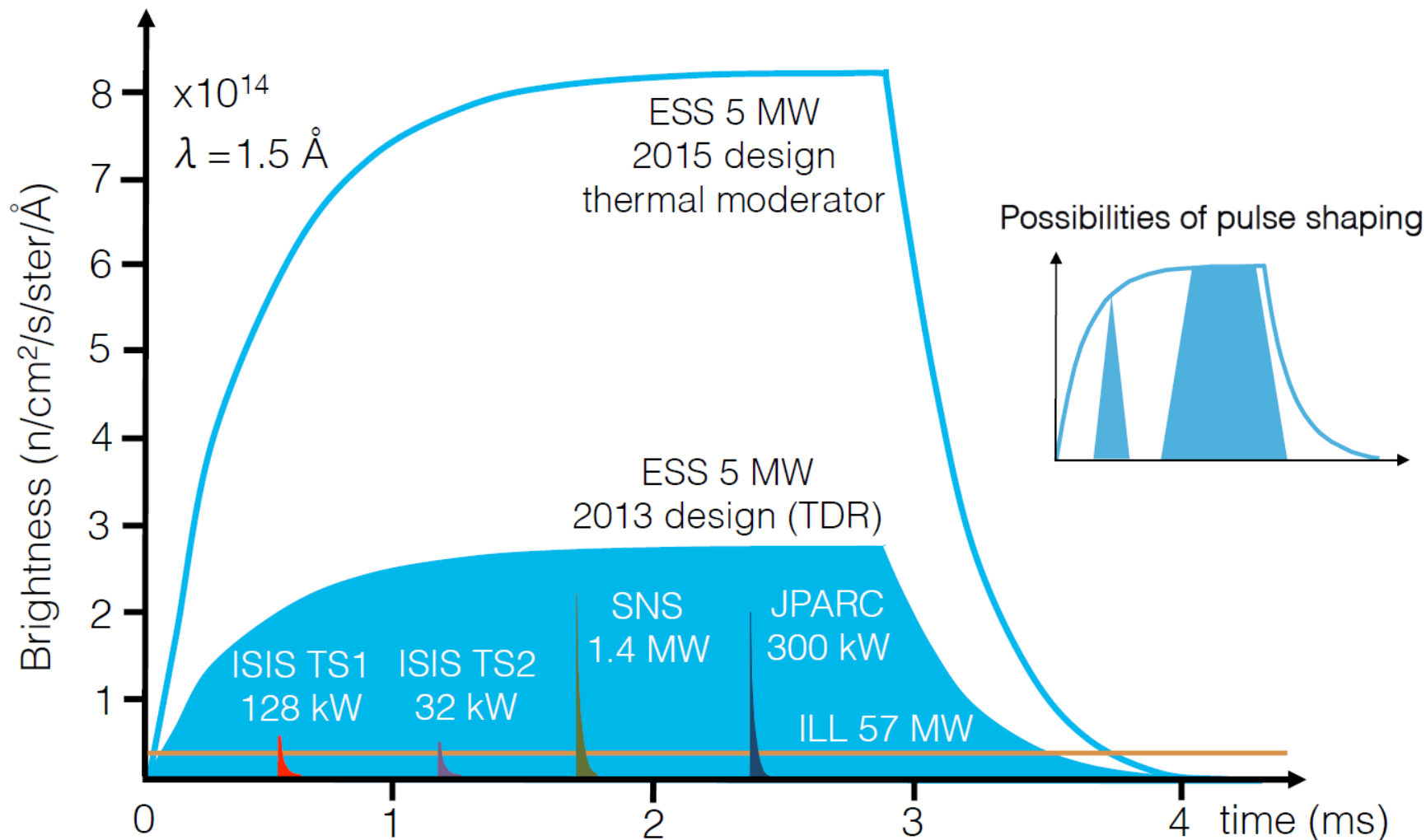
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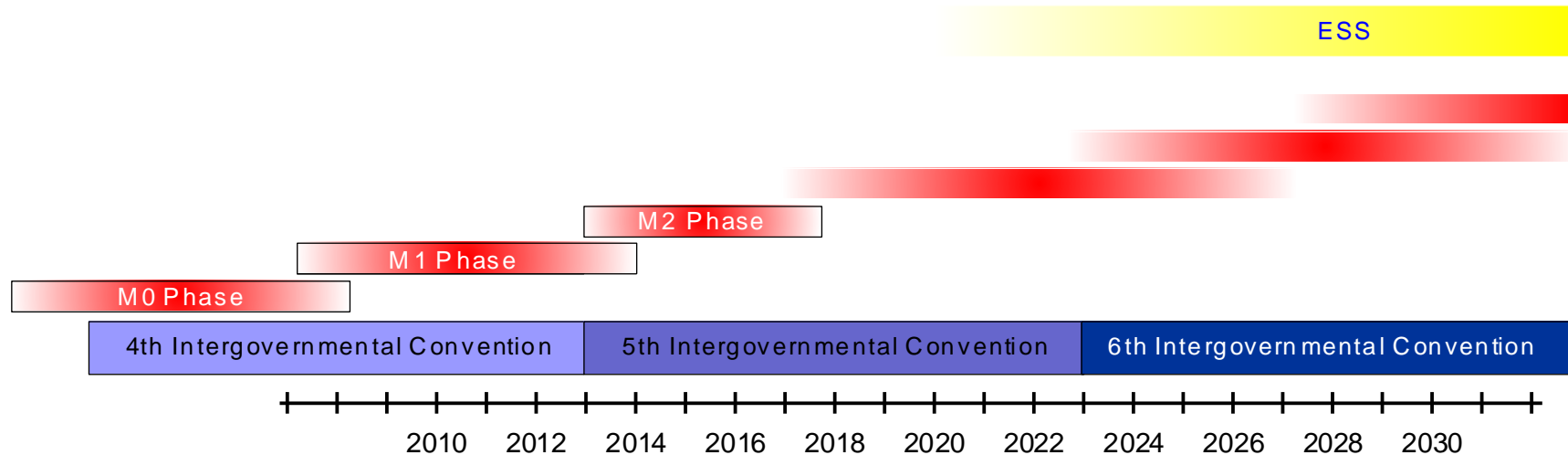
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# LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: A EUROPEAN STRATEGY

- ESS: Construction ends 2020 – first neutrons, one test beam line. User programme starts 2023. Instrument suite of 15 instruments by 2026, 22 by 2028, etc. Cost ~3B€. 10-year ramp-up to significant scientific output → 2033
- Reactors at LLB, Paris and HZB, Berlin closing by 2020 – 20% loss in capacity in Europe (17% loss in scientific output)
- ILL beyond 2023: 30% of beam time → 40% of science





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