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# The role of the Divertor Tokamak Test facility in the Italian and European magnetic fusion programs\*+

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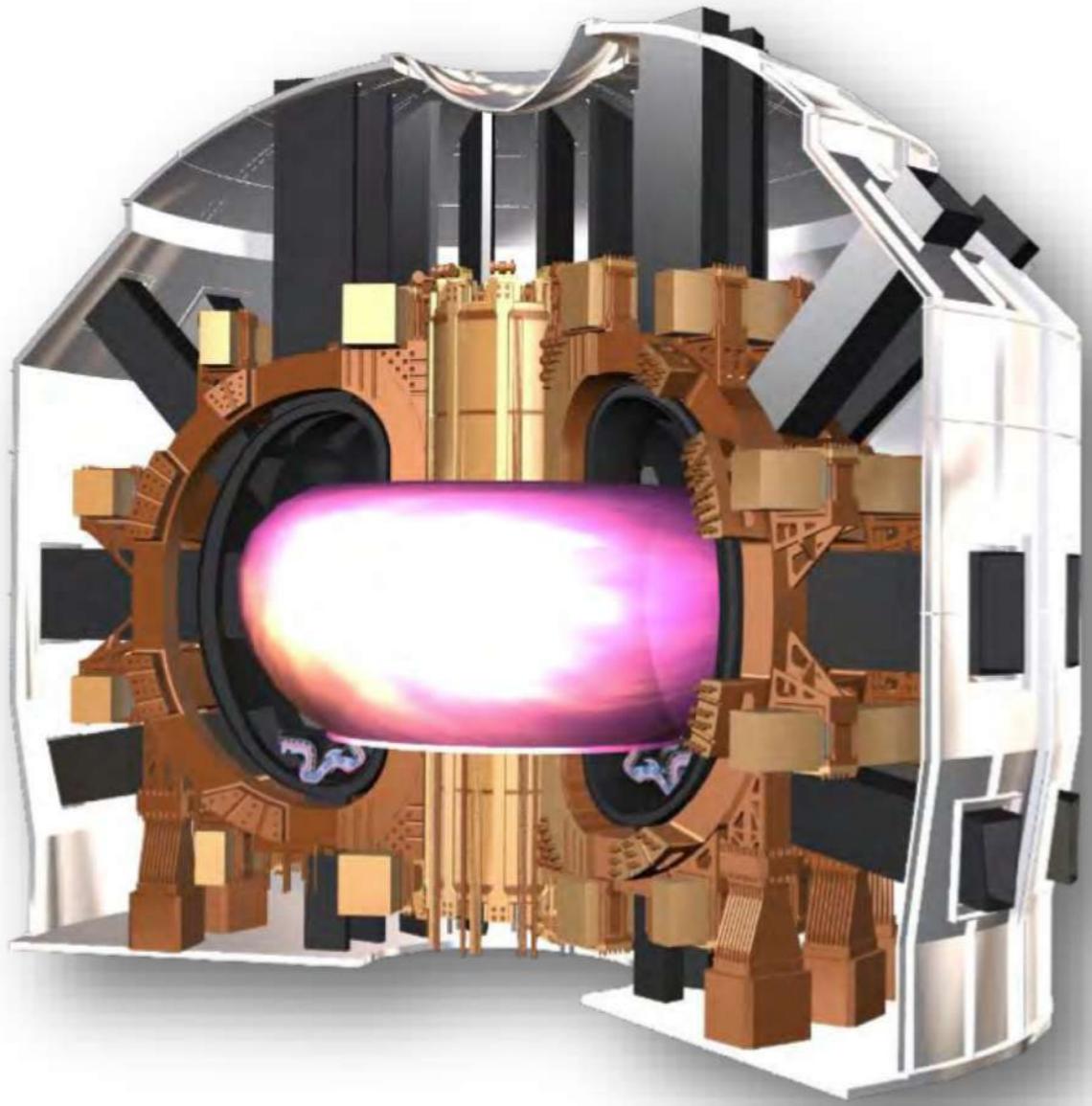
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+With the contribution of the researchers involved in the DTT Physics group and, in general, of all the scientists belonging to the working groups of the DTT program

# Divertor Tokamak Test facility - I



## Divertor Tokamak Test (DTT) facility



Superconducting tokamak  
Construction at ENEA Labs in  
Frascati (Rome), Italy

First plasma expected  
Spring 2028

EXPECTED COST ~ 500M€



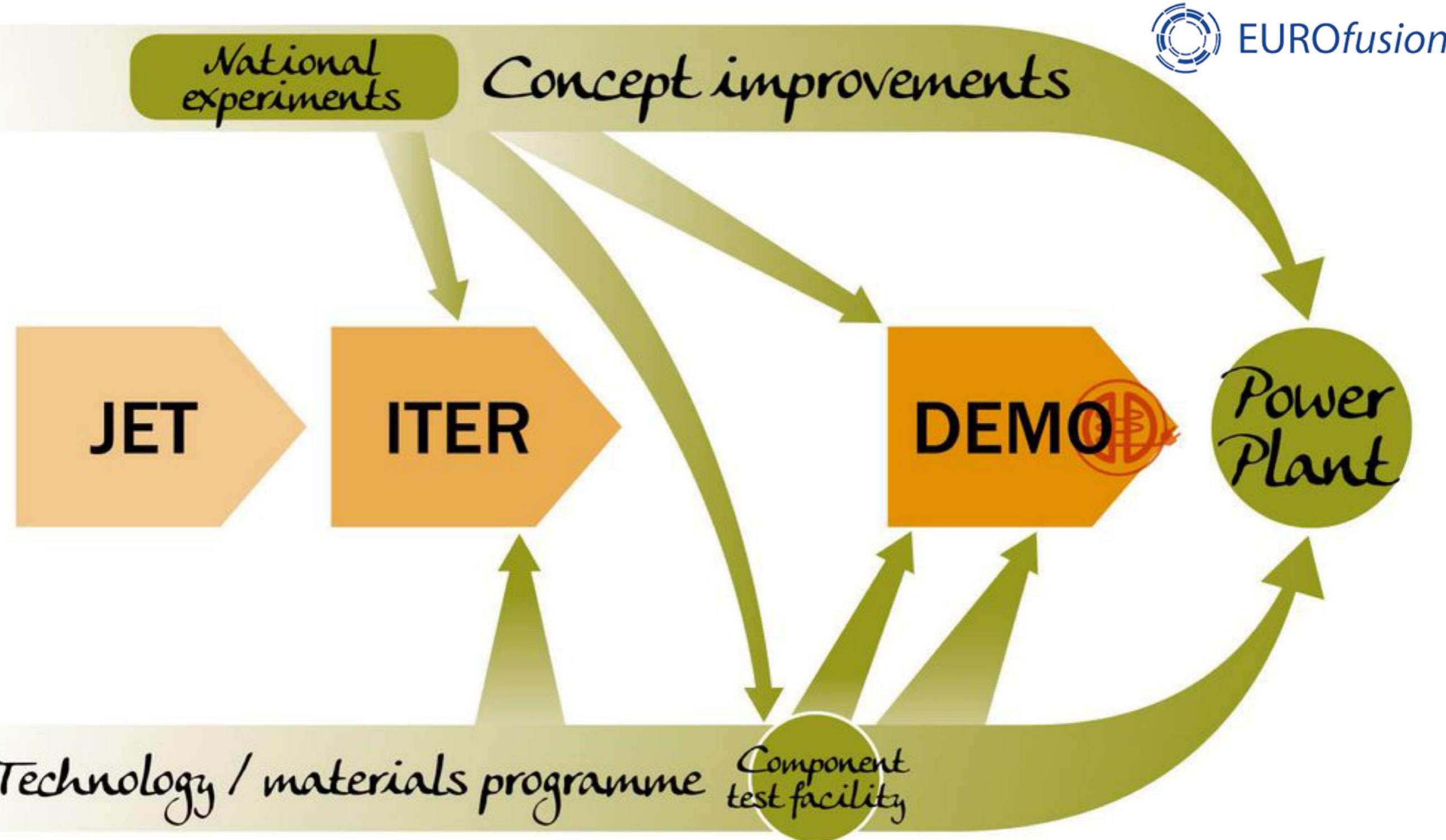
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# A roadmap to fusion energy...

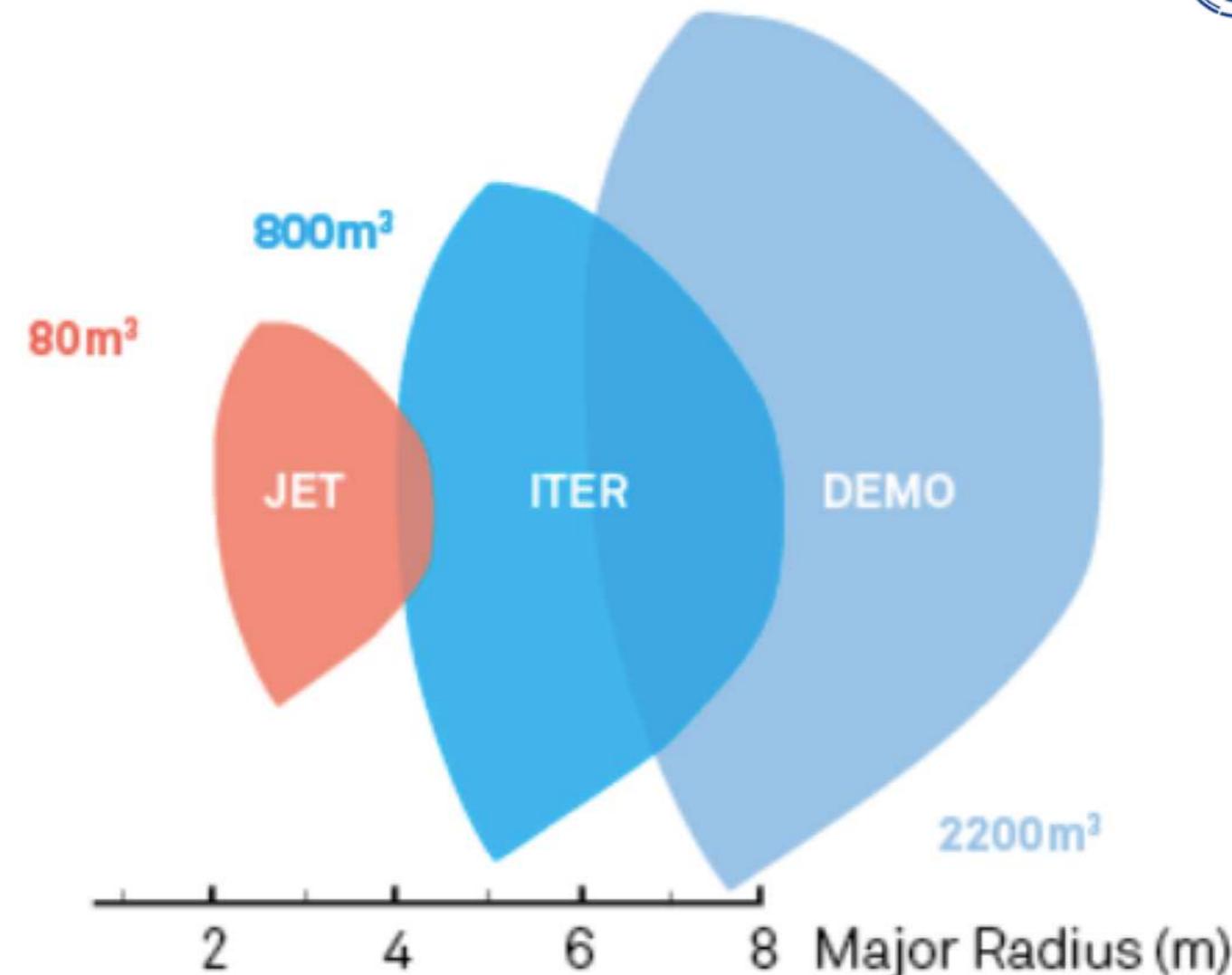


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# ...increasing size/cost



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## ...a challenge for technology

## ...and for physics



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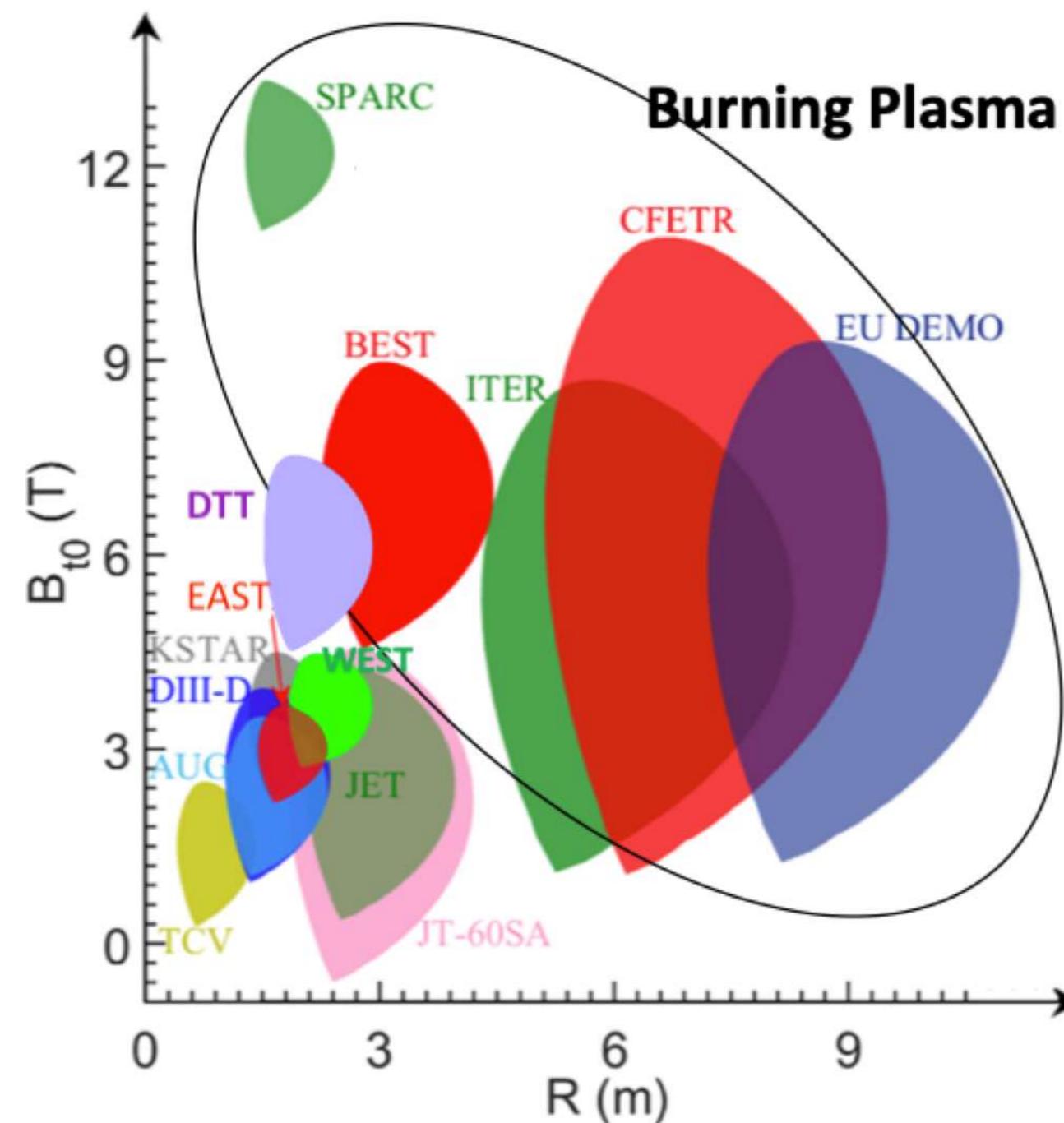
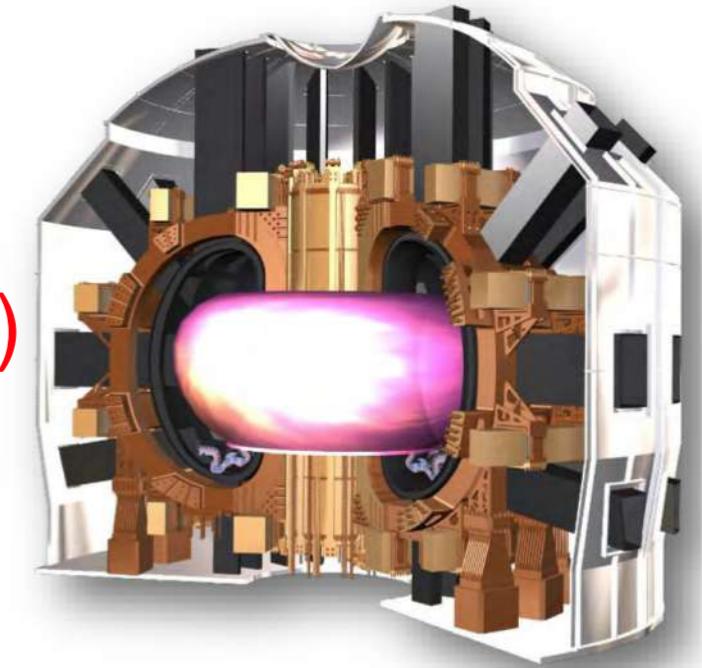


# Divertor Tokamak Test facility - II



## Divertor Tokamak Test (DTT) facility

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Integration of various physics and technology aspects is crucial

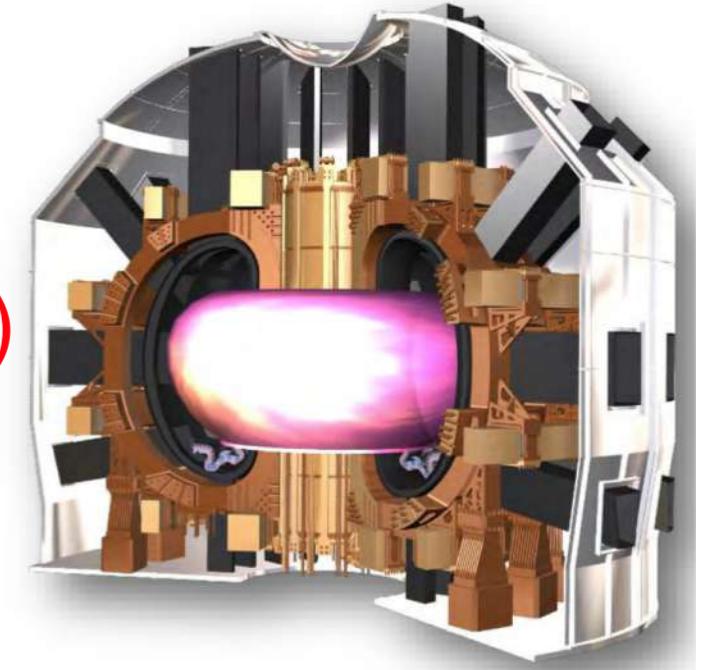
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3.rd Trilateral International Workshop on EP Physics,  
Nov 7-10, 2022

	ITER	JET	DTT
Major radius (m)	6.2	2.96	2.19
Minor radius (m)	2.0	1.25	0.70
Magnetic field (T)	5.3	3.45	6.0
Plasma current (MA)	15	<4.8	5.5
Q (equiv)	10	<1 (~ 1)	( $\gtrsim$ 1)

## Divertor Tokamak Test (DTT) facility

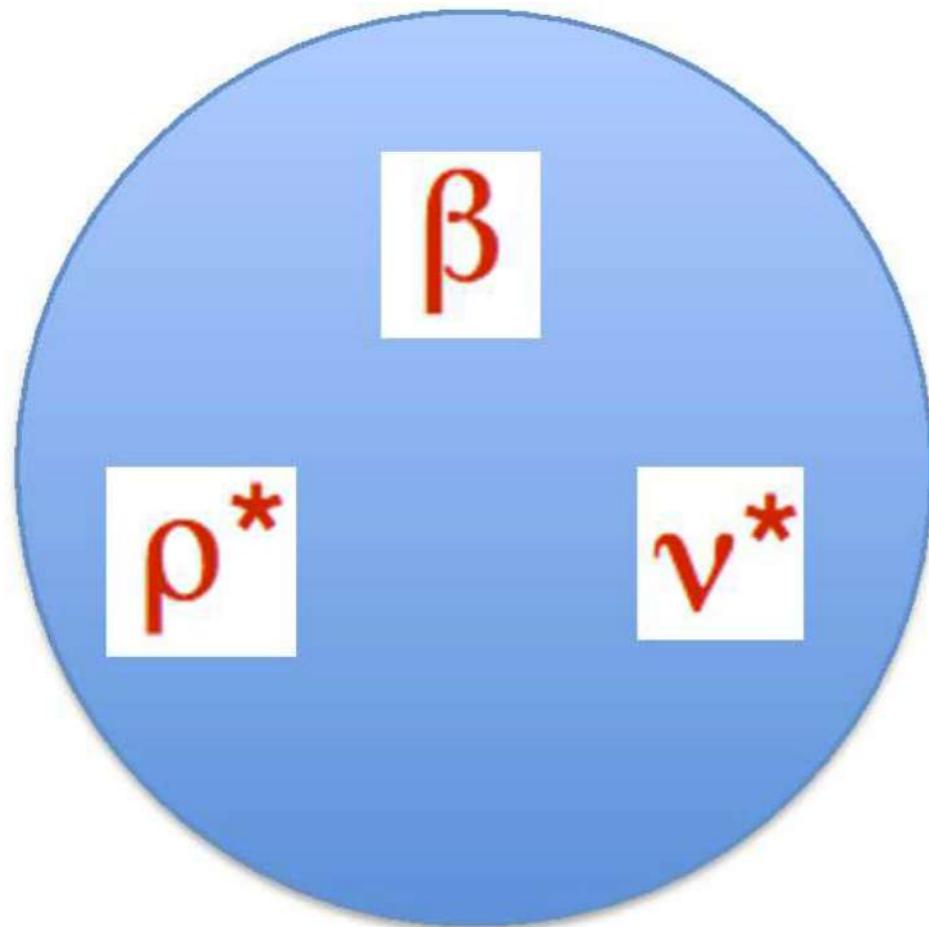
- One of the **key issues** towards demonstration of fusion energy is **Power & Particle EXhaust (PPEX)**
  - Mission for DTT
- Integration of various **physics and technology** aspects is **crucial**
  - Clear impact on plasma performance and operation
    - Here: **focus on physics integration** (in general)
    - Need for reliable predictive capability
    - **Integrated Modeling** crucial for turbulent transport
    - Need for novel approaches and physics understanding:  
**fusion is not a mere engineering and technology problem**



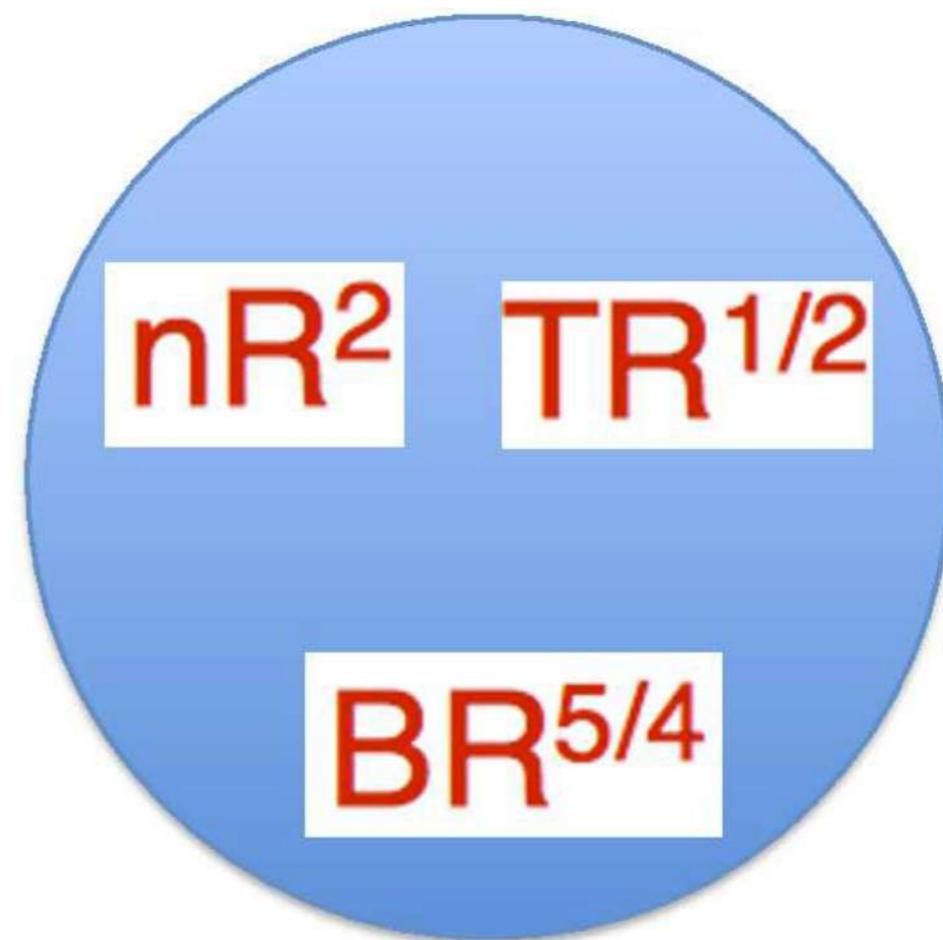
# DTT physics rationale - I



- The operation space of quasi-neutral, collisional, finite- $\beta$  plasmas



There exist three dimensionless parameters in the governing equations [Kadomtsev 75]



Three engineering (dimensional) parameters, with **R left to vary** [Lackner 90]

- Weak Kadomtsev scaling [Pizzuto et al NF2010]:
  - fix  $\rho_*^\epsilon R, \beta, \nu_*$
  - Weak scaling of  $\rho_*^\epsilon R$ 
    - Cross-scale coupling (micro-meso scales) is preserved;
    - Preserve  $\rho_{*EP}/\rho_*$  set by  $T_{EP}/T$ , given by condition of dominant electron heating
  - Fix  $\beta$  and stability
    - Preserve temporal scale hierarchy: frequency ordering of meso- to macro-scale fluctuations
  - Fix collisionality parameter  $\nu_*$ 
    - Preserve edge physics and PWI (PPEX)
    - Preserve supra-thermal particle content in the core

# DTT physics rationale - III

- **Weak Kadomtsev scaling** [Pizzuto et al NF2010]:  
→ DTT parameters chosen to have edge and core dimensionless parameters as close as possible to those of ITER and DEMO

	$P_{\text{SOL}}$ (MW)	$\lambda_q$ (mm)	R (m)	$q_{\parallel}$ (GW/m <sup>2</sup> )	$q_{\text{pol}}$ (GW/m <sup>2</sup> )
ITER	~90	~2	~6	~1.8	~0.6
DEMO	~150	~1	~9	~5	~2
DTT	~30	~1.5	~2.19	~2.1	~0.7

	ITER	DEMO	DTT
R (m)	6.2	9	2.19
a (m)	2	2.9	0.7
I <sub>p</sub> (MA)	15	19.5	5.5
B <sub>T</sub> (T)	5.3	5.7	6
$\langle T \rangle$ (KeV)	8.5	12.7	6.2
$\langle n \rangle (10^{20})$ m <sup>-3</sup> )	1	0.8	1.7
$\beta_N$	1.5	2.2	1.5
$v^* (10^{-2})$	2.4	1.4	2.4
$\rho^* (10^{-3})$	1.7	1.5	3.7
$v^*_{\text{ped}} (10^{-2})$	6.2	4.5	6.3
$P^*_{\text{ped}} (10^{-3})$	1.6	3.3	1.3

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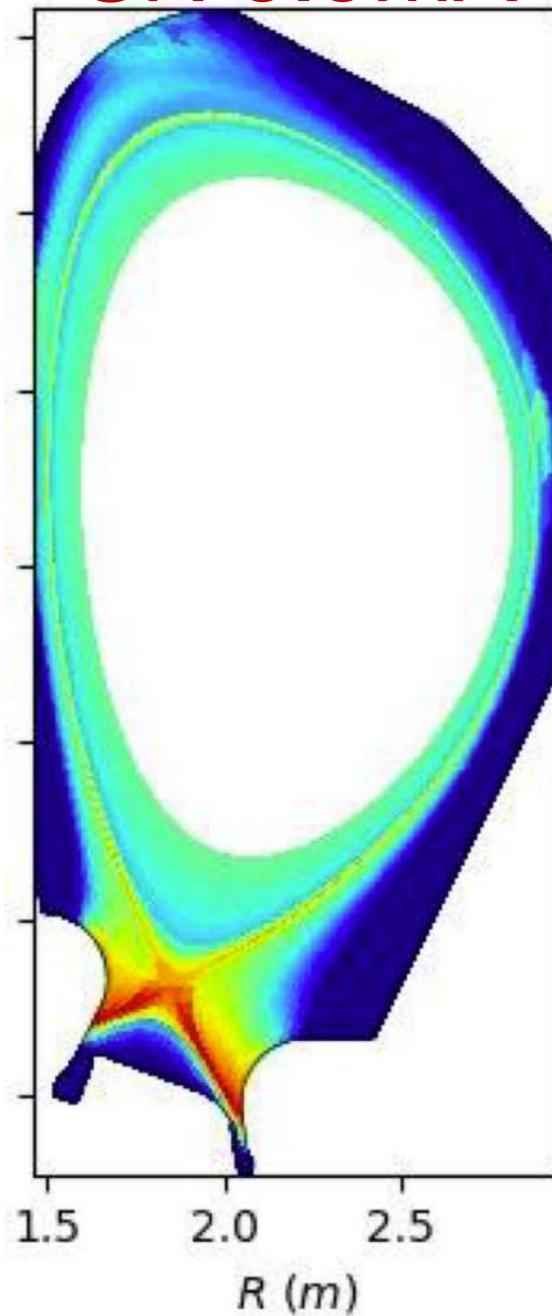
- **Flexibility of plasma scenarios** - different divertor magnetic topologies: XS(standard), XD(Second null), N(egative)Triang.
  - a)  $I_p = 2$  MA -  $B_T = 3$  T;  $P_{add} \sim 8 \div 35$  MW
  - b)  $I_p = 5.5$  MA -  $B_T = 6$  T;  $P_{add} \sim 27 \div 45$  MW
- **Flexibility in density** → study detachment for  
 $\langle n \rangle \sim 1 \div 2 \times 10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3}$
- **Full metal wall** → Tungsten for reactor (DEMO) relevance
- **Relevance to PPEX**
  - The total heating power  $P_{SOL}/R \sim 7 \div 15$  MW/m
  - Flexible divertor: geometry and material
  - Long pulse ( $\tau > 4\tau_R$ ): aiming at solution without performance degradation

# DTT scenarios

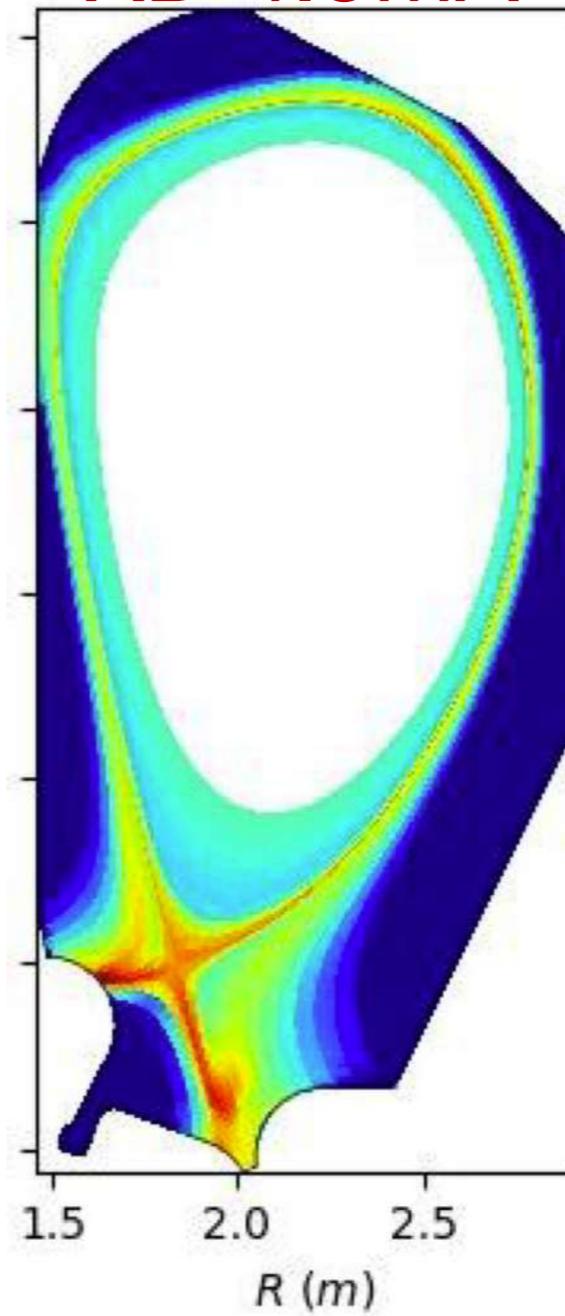


- Three main scenarios

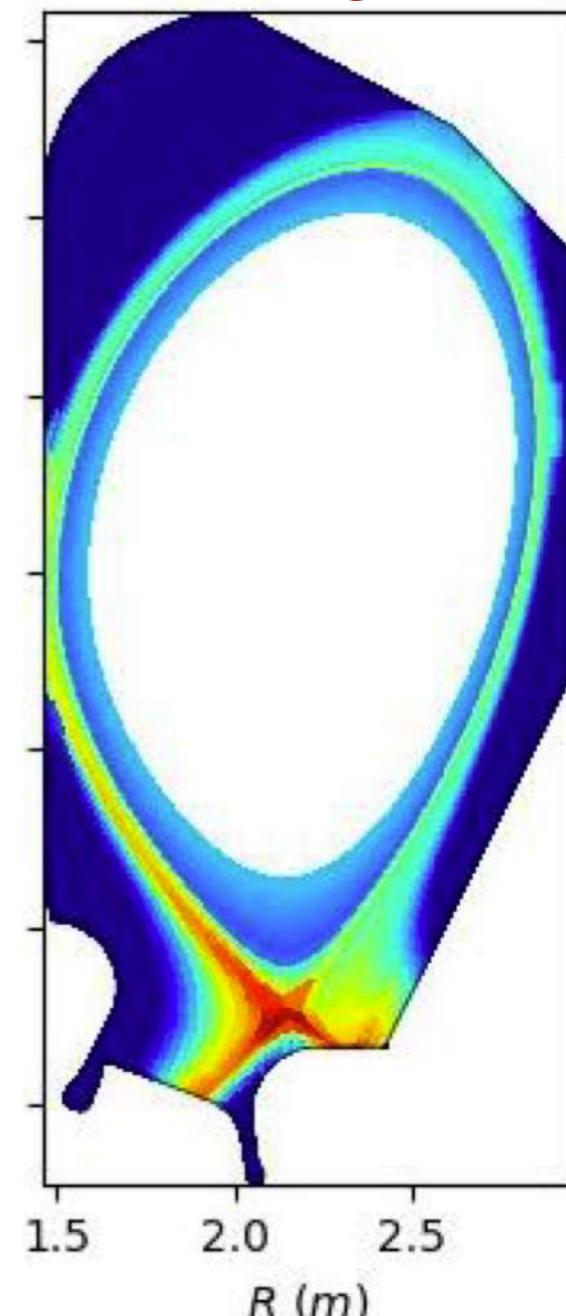
SN 5.5MA



XD 4.5MA



NT 4.0MA

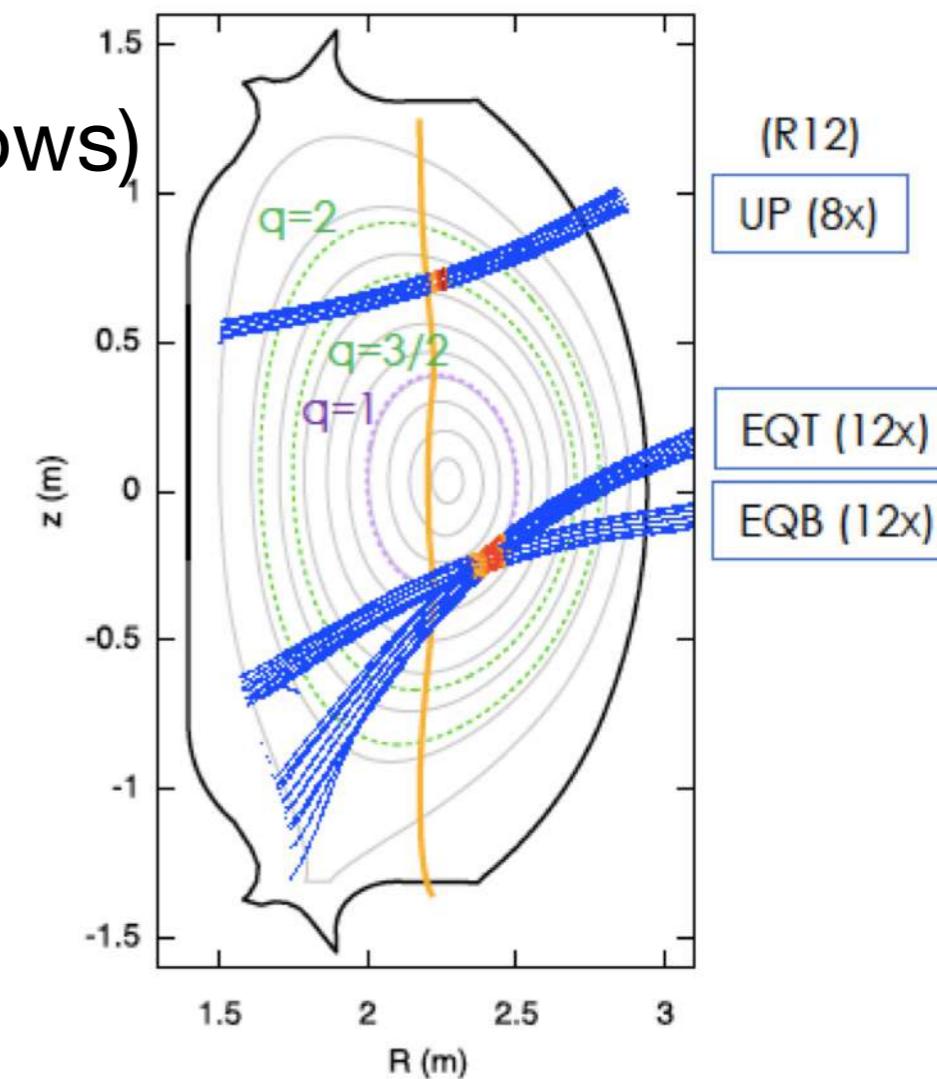


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# DTT heating mix - I

- Electron cyclotron resonance heating: 170GHz,  $B_{\text{res}}=6.07\text{T}$ 
  - Flexible coupling with dominant e-heating
  - Reliable profile control
- 32 x 1 MW, 170 GHz beams, 28.8 MW at the plasma
- 4 Upper launchers x 2 mirrors
- 4 Equatorial launchers x 6 mirrors (two rows)
- Poloidal & toroidal steering

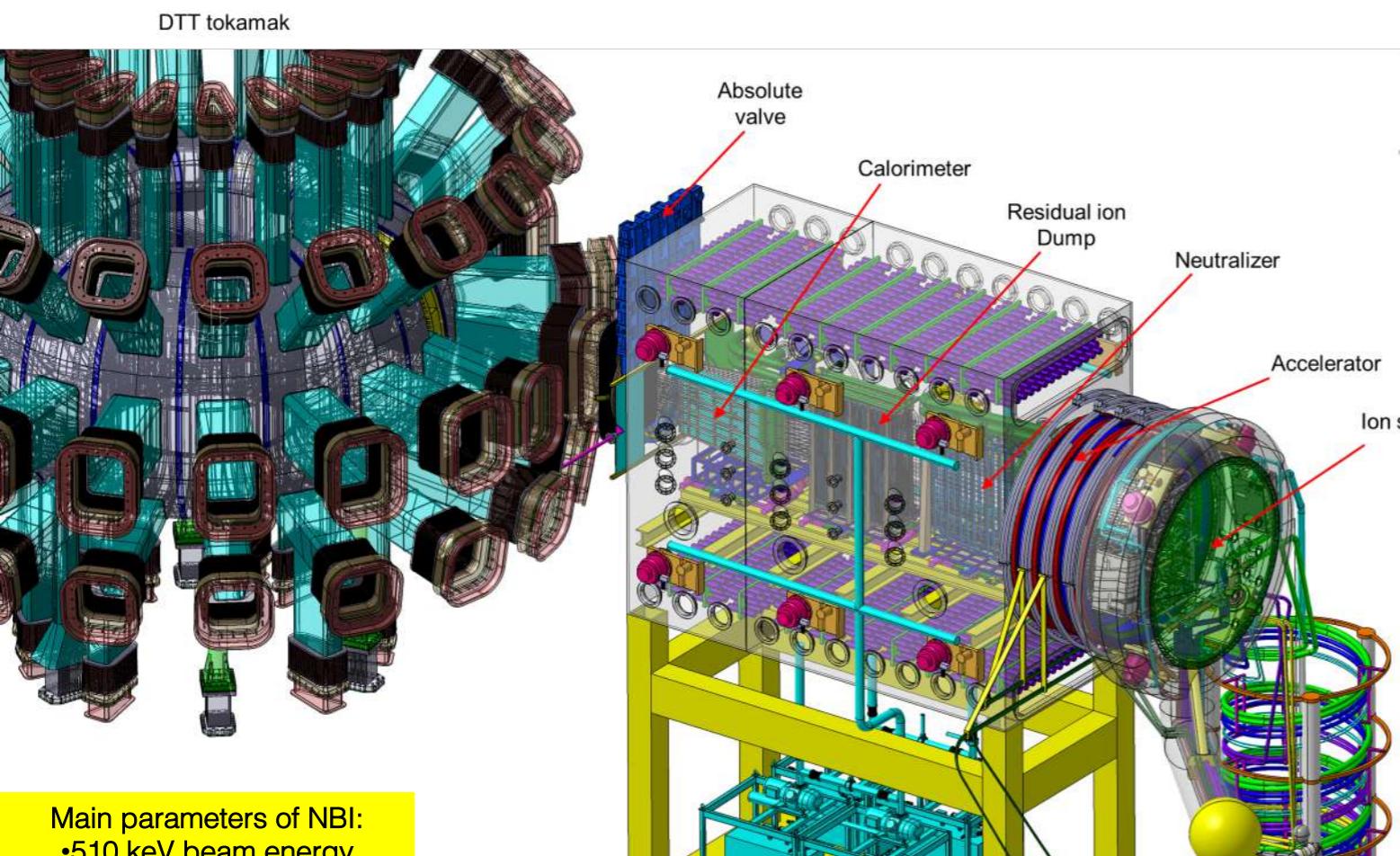
	# beams	R (m)	z (m)
UP (2020)	8	2.939	0.895
UP (2021, R12)		2.854	0.980
UP (2021, R13)		2.988	1.115
UP (2021, R13-09)		3.070	1.200
EQ Top	12	3.126	0.179
EQ Bottom	12	3.126	-0.079



Courtesy of L. Figini,  
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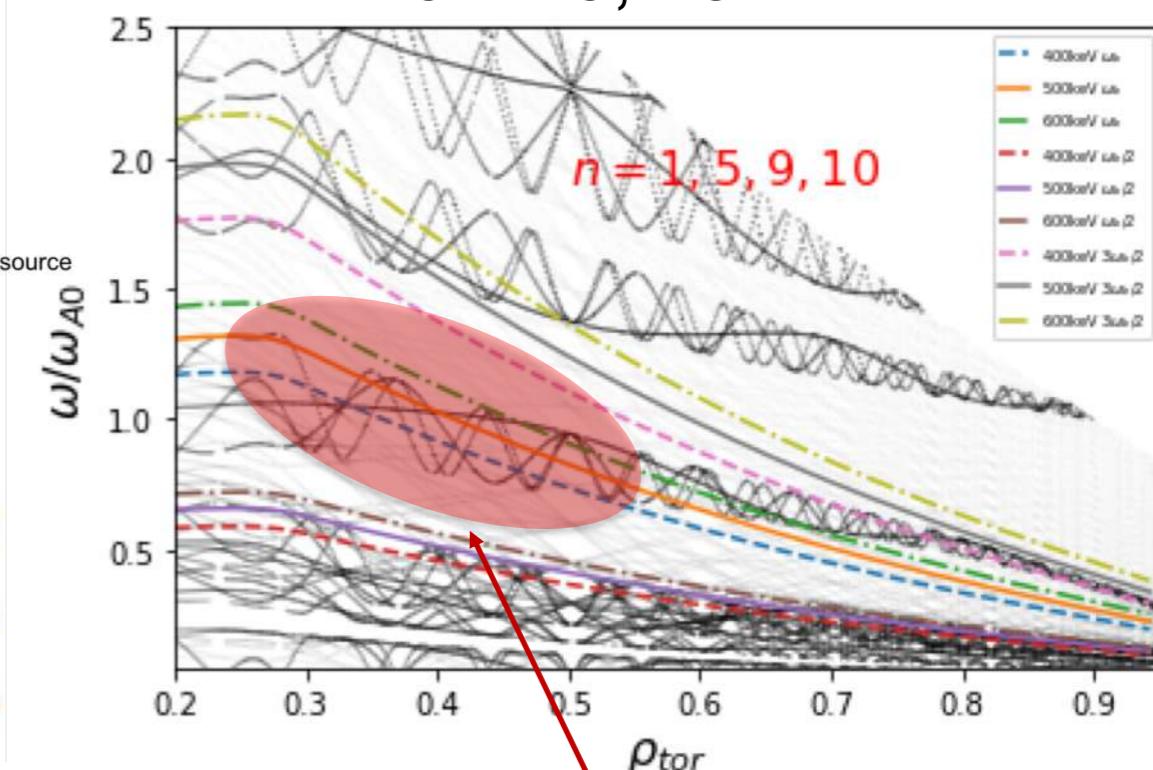
# DTT heating mix - II

- Negative neutral beam injection (10 MW @ 510 keV):
  - Plasma heating @  $E > E_c$
  - Preservation of micro- to meso-scale coupling



Courtesy of P. Agostinetti,  
Oct 14, 2022

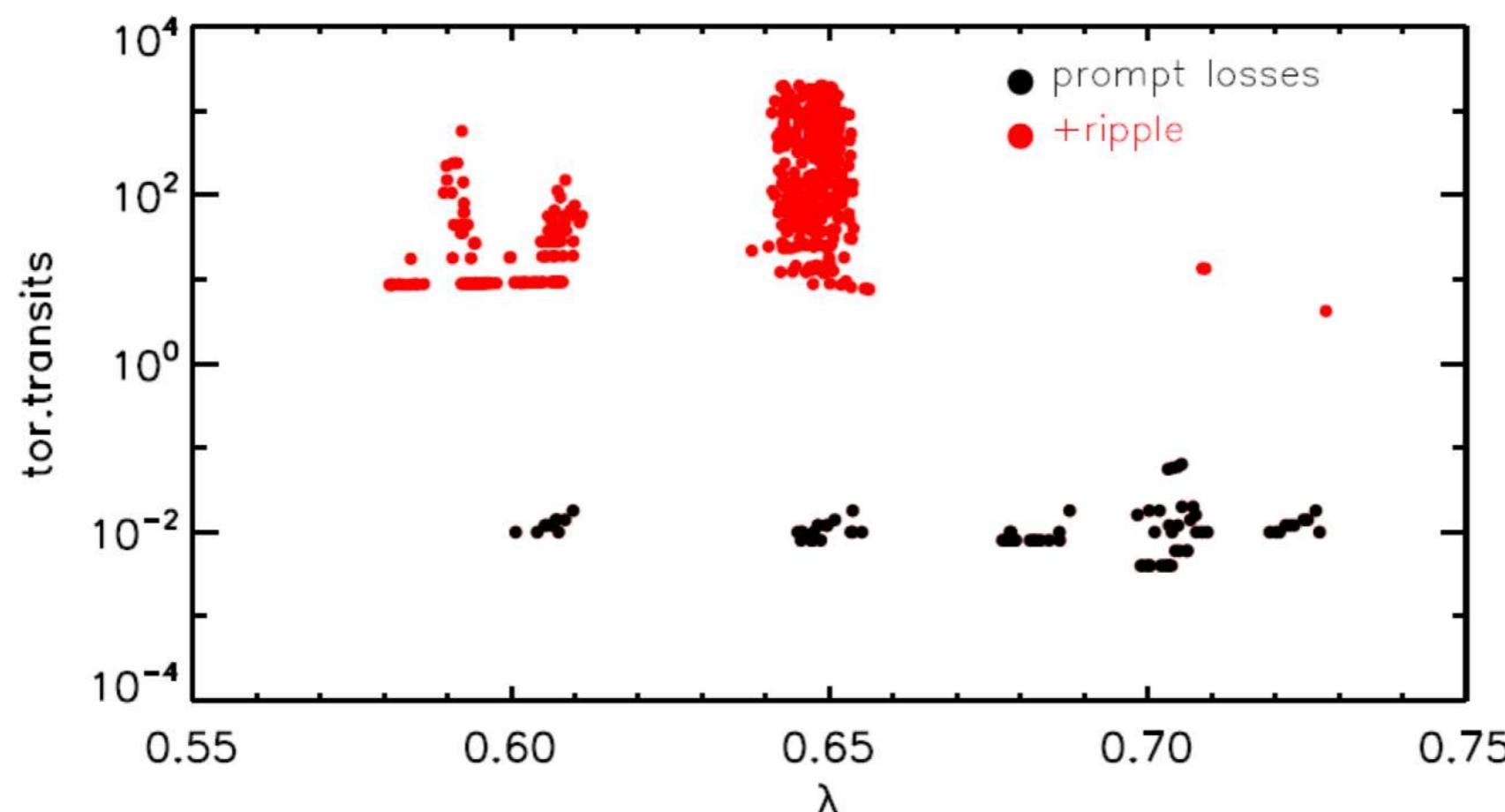
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Super-Alfvénic Beam

# EP prompt and ripple losses

- Ripple losses amount to 0.07%, prompt losses ~0.01% (ORBIT run with 1M particles)
- Pitch angle of lost particles  $\lambda_{\text{res}} \approx 0.65 \text{ & } 0.6$



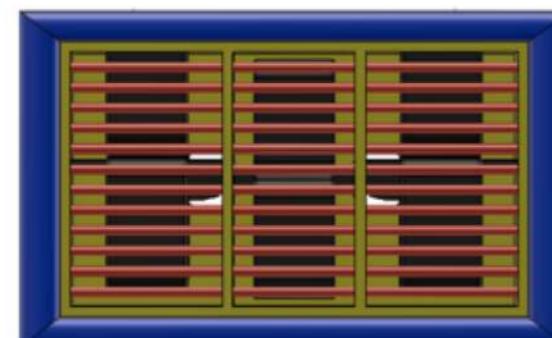
Courtesy of G. Spizzo, M. Gobbin  
To be submitted to *PPCF*

# DTT heating mix - III

- **Ion cyclotron resonance heating:** 4 antennas, 6 MW, 60-90 MHz (on axis D  $n=2$ ,  $\text{He}^3$   $n=1$ )
  - H-mode access/ion heating
  - Fast ion generation
  - Wall cleaning/conditioning

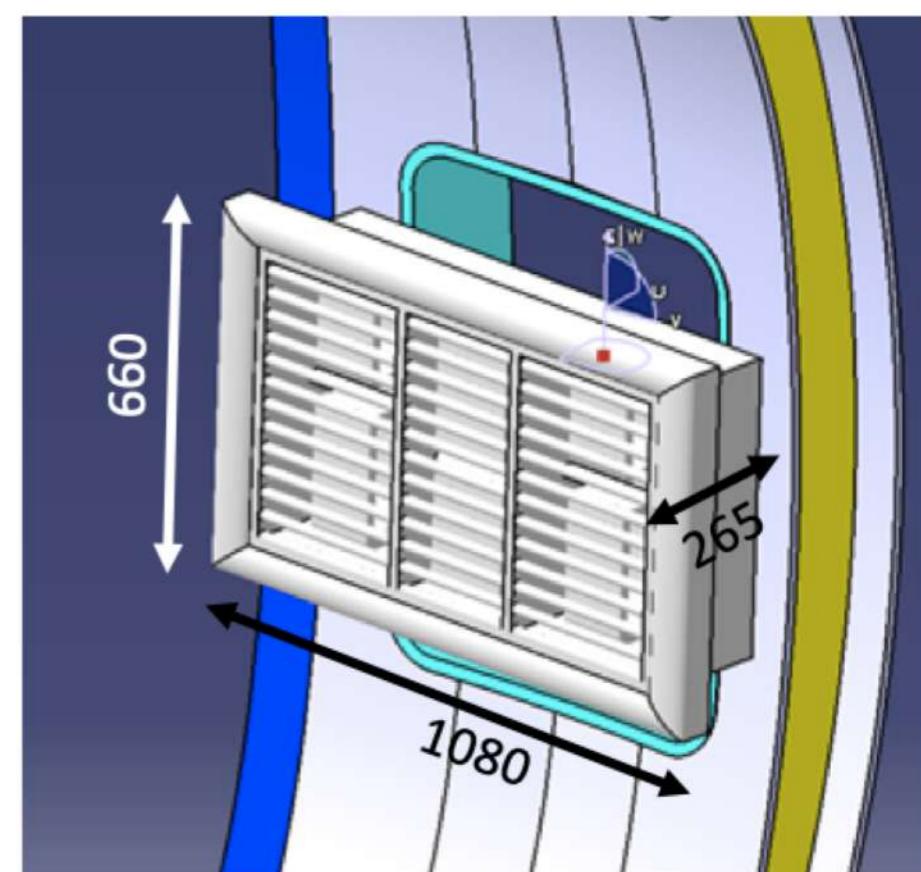
**1st option (baseline): 3-strap antenna** with lateral folded straps and central end-fed, centre-grounded strap to be installed/maintained via remote handling system.

- Material choice on-going.  
*Preliminary ideas:*
- Compatibility with field alignment but increase of complexity to be preferably addressed later on or w.r.t. the 2<sup>nd</sup> antenna pair

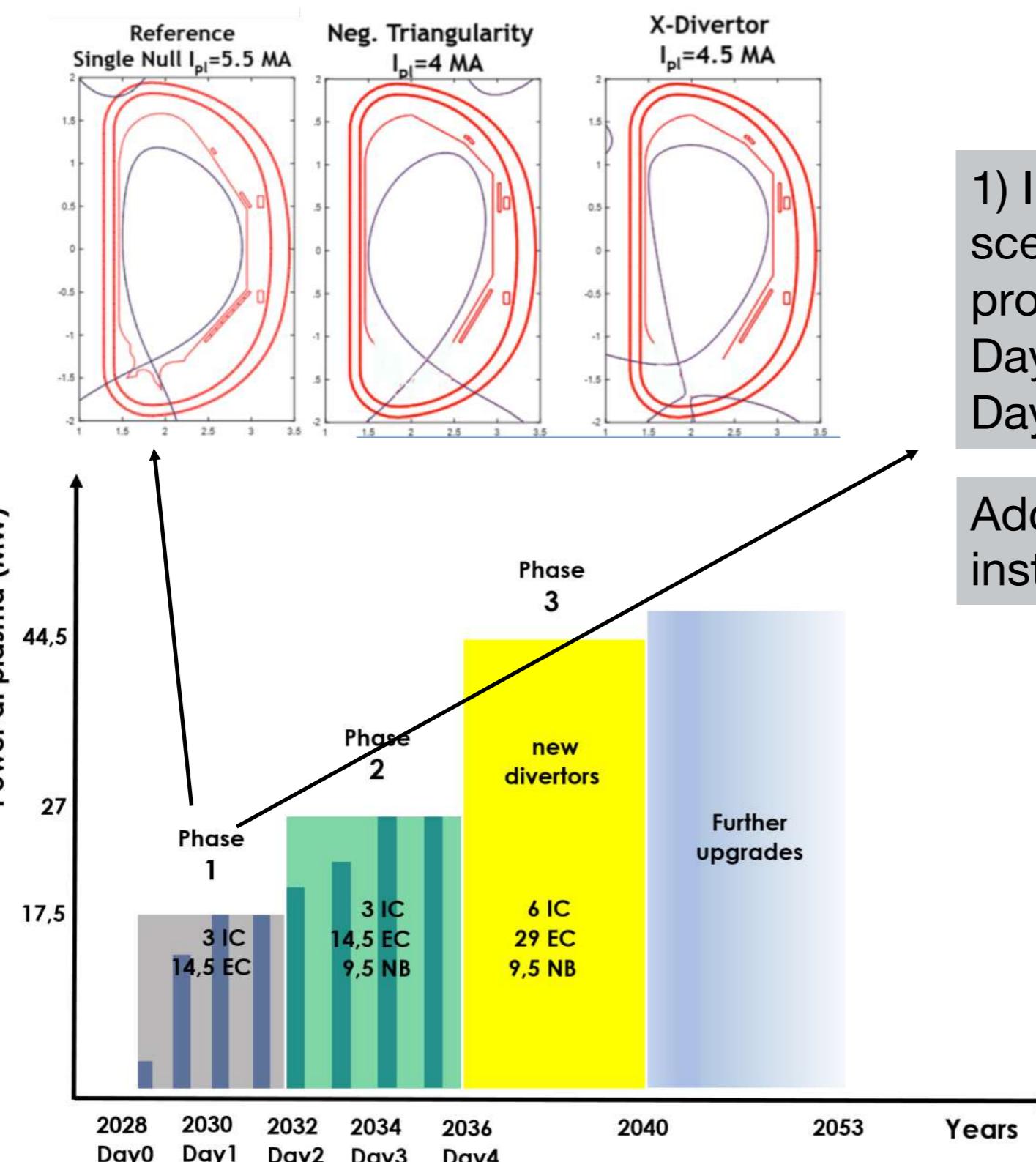


- full tungsten
- stainless steel
- stainless steel
- copper alloy

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# DTT experimental program

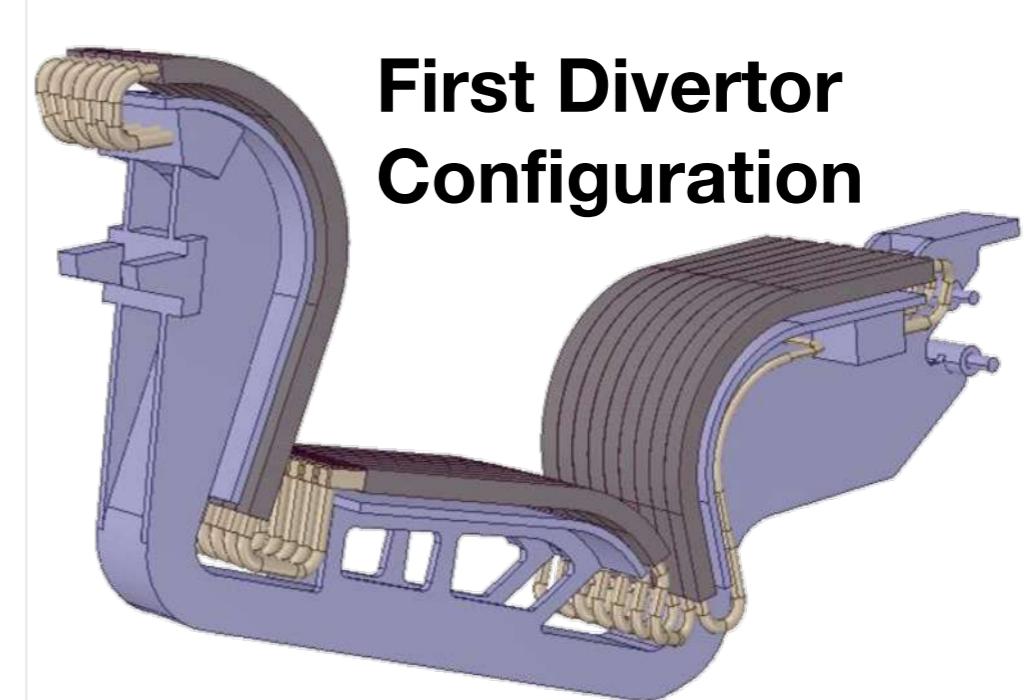


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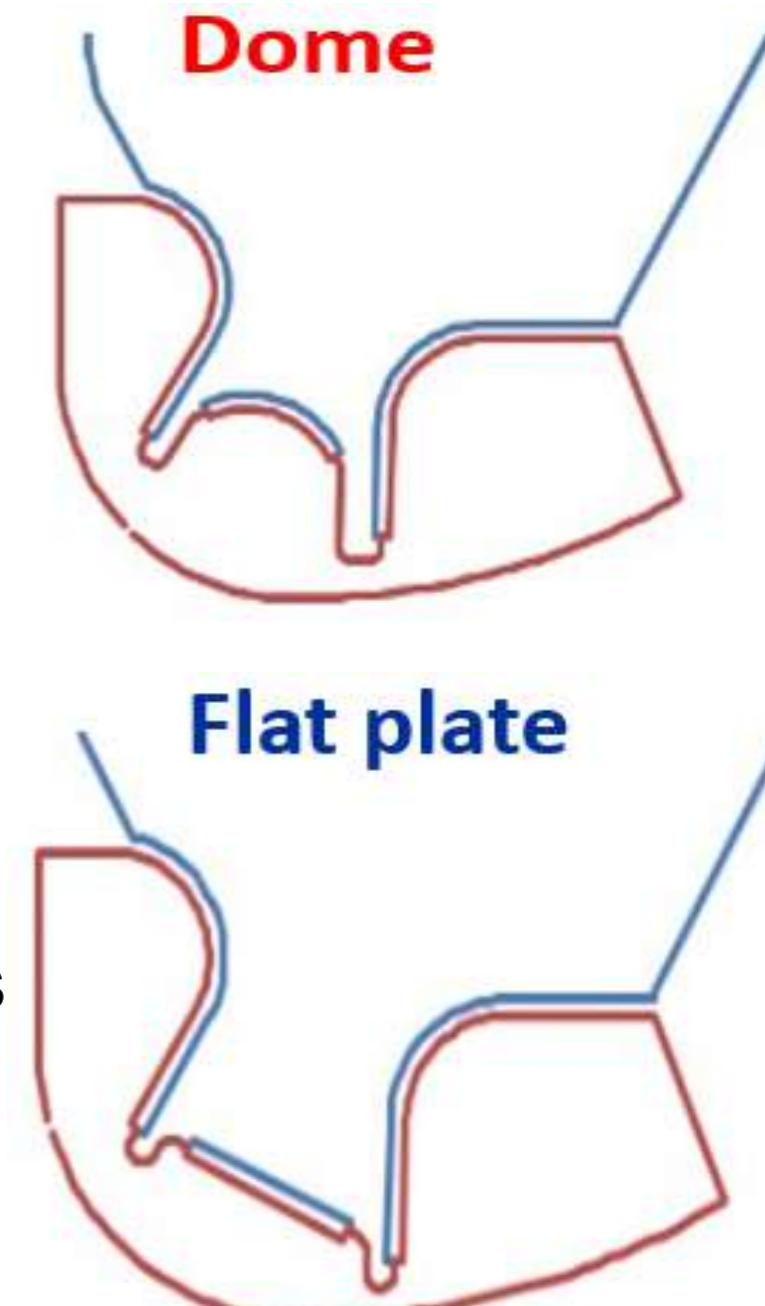


# Dome studies with SOLPS-ITER



**Assessment of the effect of dome in DTT full power scenario :  $P_{AUX} = 45\text{MW}$  and Ne seeding**

- Dome adds complexity of the divertor cassette design and increase machine cost
- SOL modeling and kinetic neutral description with SOLPS-ITER code suite (B2.5+EIRENE)
- Small impact on the performance in terms of divertor performance (power loads onto divertor targets, plasma density and temperature, radiation fraction, etc...)
- **Small effect on Deuterium pumping** with dome increase in both D throughput by 30% and sub divertor neutral pressure by < 2, in line with previous ITER studies (Kukuskhin 2002,2007)
- **Strong effect is seen on the impurity pumping capability** (→ Increase in the sub divertor Ne pressure by a factor 5 and  
→ Increase in the Ne puff by 10)



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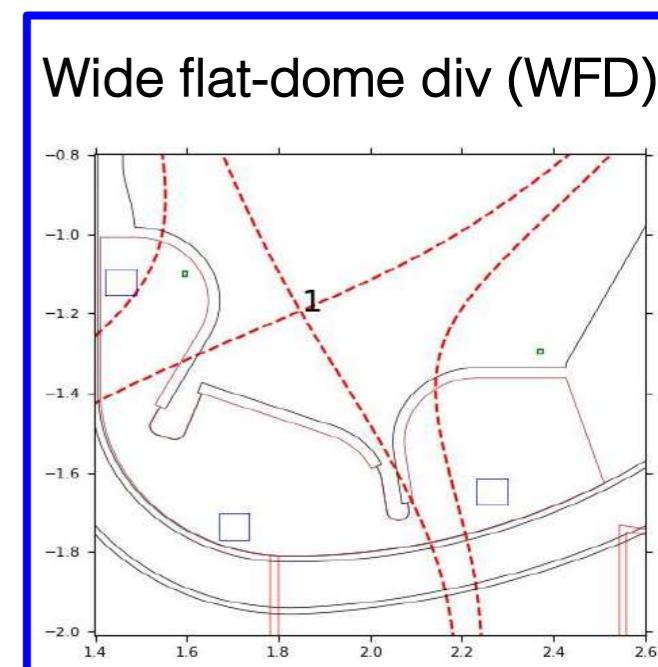
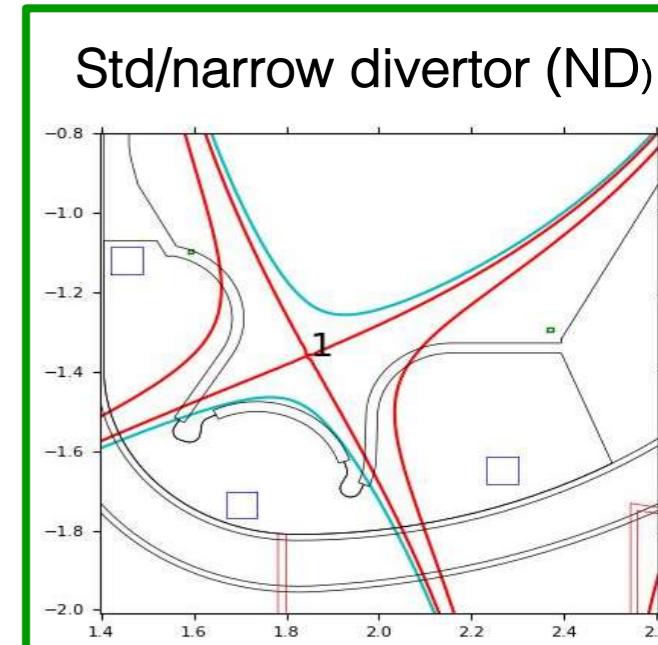
# Shape optimization with SOLEDGE2D-EIRENE



Optimize divertor shape in DTT full power scenario :  
 $P_{AUX} = 45\text{MW}$  with Ne and Ar seeding

- SOL modeling and kinetic neutral description with SOLEDGE2D-EIRENE
- Verify the compatibility in terms magnetic configuration, no X-point radiation, X-point and strike point position flexibility
- Fulfill engineering constraints: minimum bending radius, cooling pipes shielding, grazing angle for reference SN ( $2^\circ$ ) and Pumping speed ( $100 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) requests
- The wide divertor can provide reliable operation for SN and XD configurations in pure deuterium at reduced power and with seeding at full power
- **The wide divertor provides better exhaust performance than a standard narrow divertor**

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# Integrated modeling in support of DTT



Courtesy of I. Casiraghi EPS-DPP 2022

...specifically

- the design of **diagnostic systems**
- the estimate of **neutron yields**
- the assessment of **fast particle losses**
- the definition of the **heating mix**
- the design of the **neutron shields**

**Integrated modelling**  
allows us to predict  
**radial profiles** of:

- $T_e$
- $T_i$
- $n_e$
- $J$
- power depositions
- $P_{rad}$
- impurities...

using

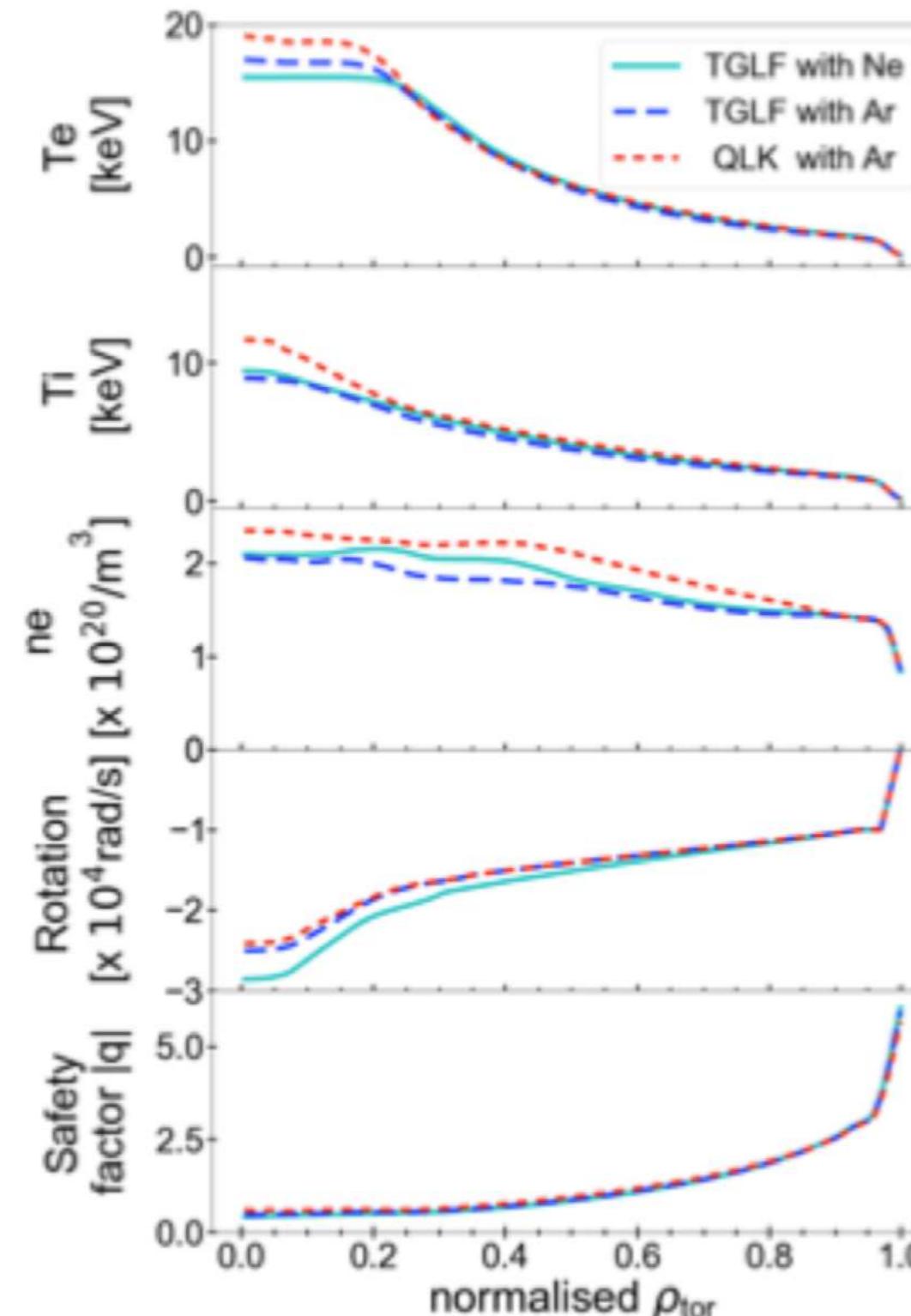
state-of-art modules for  

- heating
- fuelling
- magnetic equilibrium

&

**first-principle multi-  
channel quasi-linear  
(QL) transport models**

# Full power flat-top phase



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→ Integration with **Scrape-Off Layer** runs

- $n_{e,\text{sep}} = 0.8 \times 10^{20}/\text{m}^3$
- $T_{\text{sep}} = 130 \text{ eV}$
- Ar or Ne as seeding gas

→ Checked consistency between the control **coil system** capabilities and plasma profiles

- **Good agreement** between the 2 QL models (TGLF vs QLK)
- $T_e > T_i$  over most of plasma radius
- Neutron rate  $\leq 1.2 \times 10^{17}$  neutrons/s
- $H_{98} = 0.8-1.0$ ,  $\tau_E = (0.41-0.45)\text{s}$ ,  $\beta_{N\text{tot}} = 1.3-1.6$

# Integrated simulation hierarchy

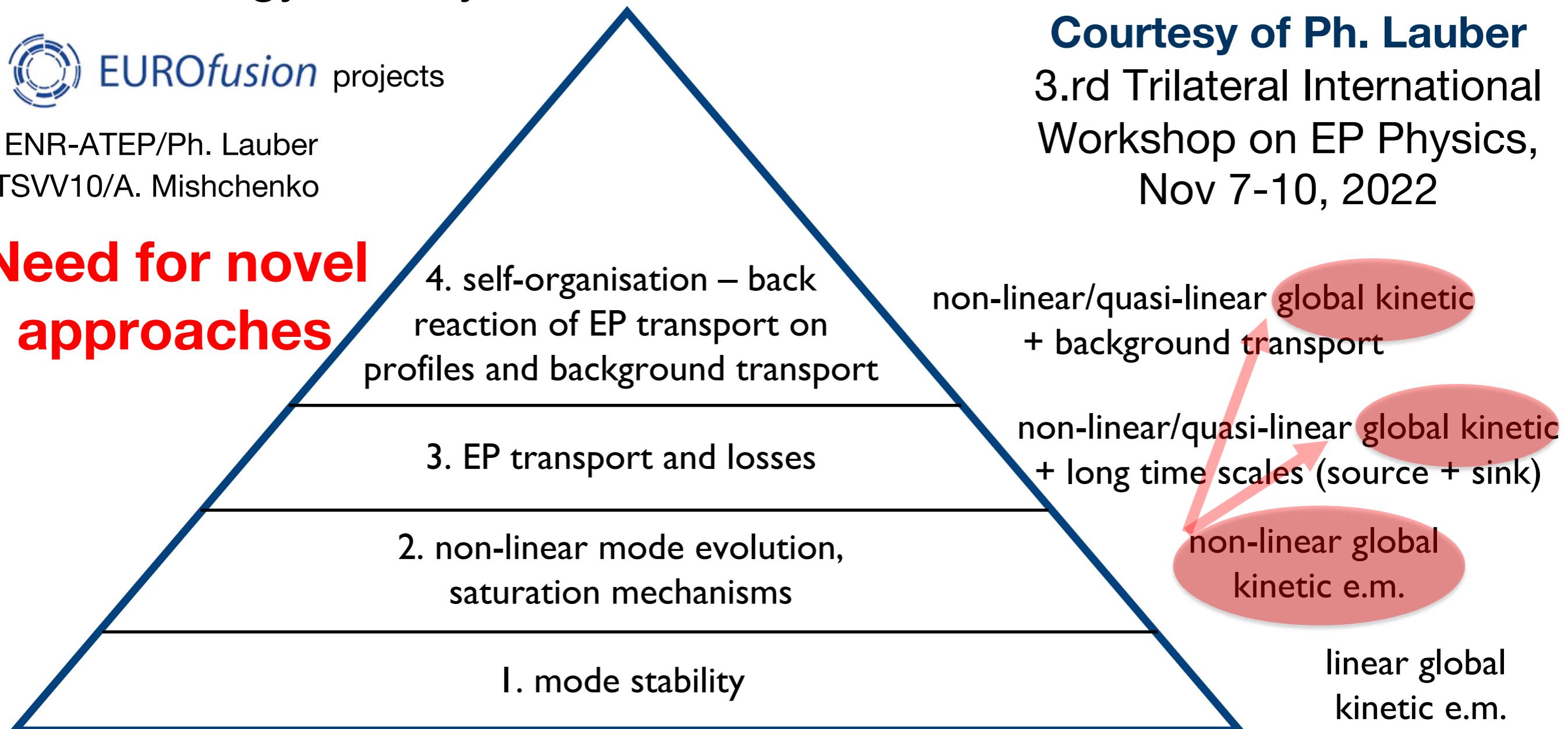
- Integrated simulation hierarchy for plasmas with significant EP energy density → **Drift Alfvén Waves & DWT**

 **EUROfusion** projects

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**Need for novel  
approaches**

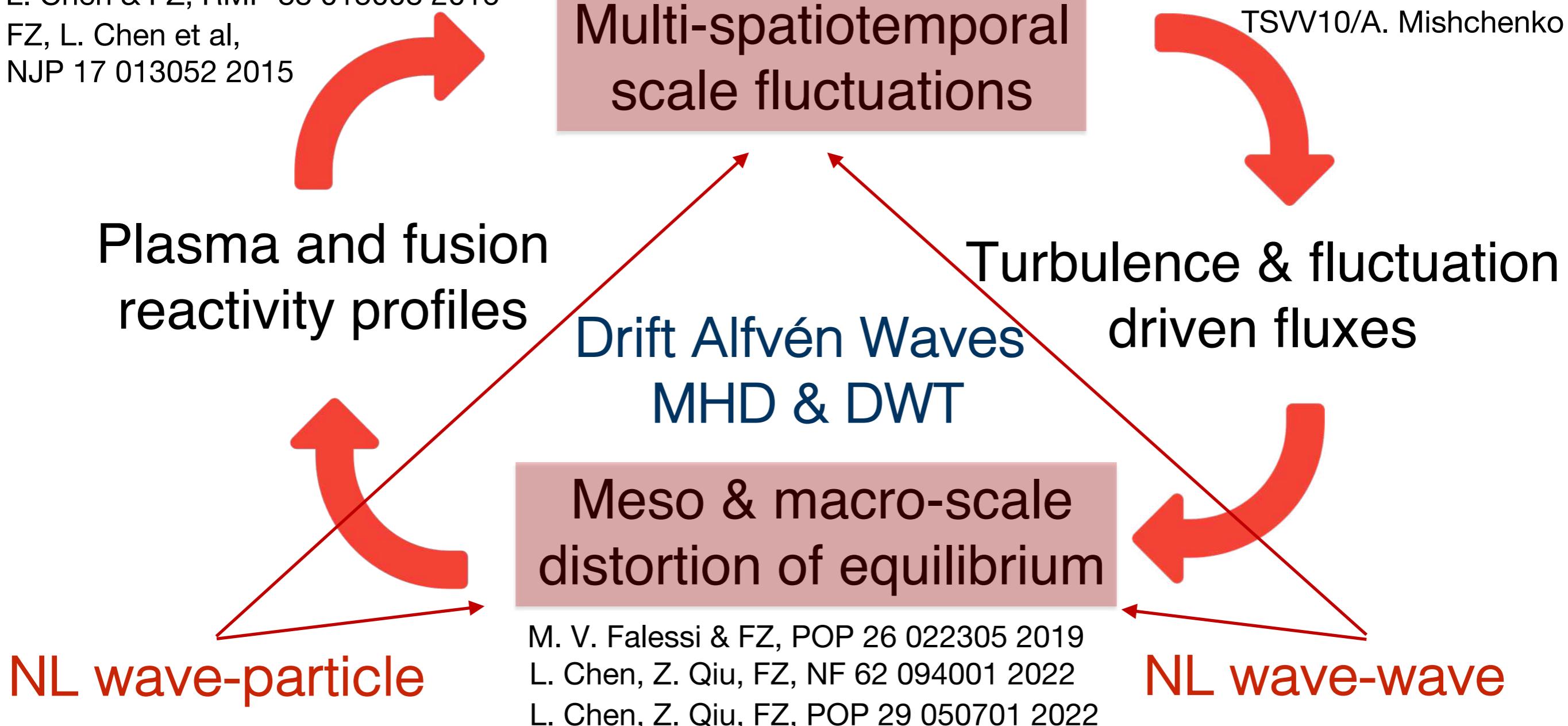


# The physics of burning plasmas



- Integrated simulations → must address **burning plasmas** as **complex self-organized systems**

L. Chen & FZ, RMP 88 015008 2016  
FZ, L. Chen et al,  
NJP 17 013052 2015



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# Conclusions and discussion



- The **Divertor Tokamak Test facility**, in construction at ENEA Frascati, focuses on **power and particle exhaust issues**, **integrating physics and technology aspects**
- **Flexibility** is a key element of DTT
- **Integrated modeling** is in progress and **new theory and simulation approaches** are being developed by international collaboration network to address key physics issues
- The **DTT research plan is being developed** consistent with machine mission and vision/objectives: **collaborations are welcome**

Thank you for your attention!

Your questions are welcome

# Backup slides



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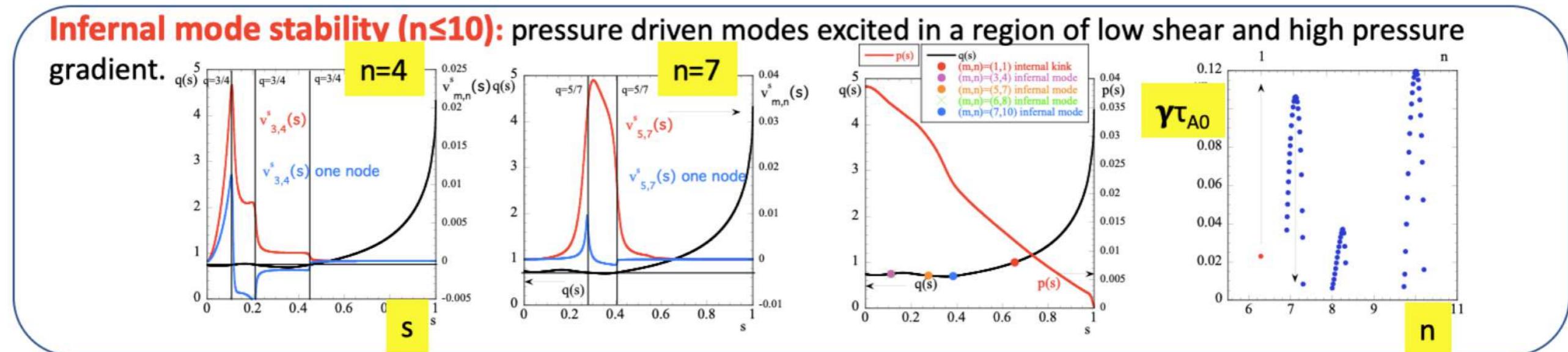
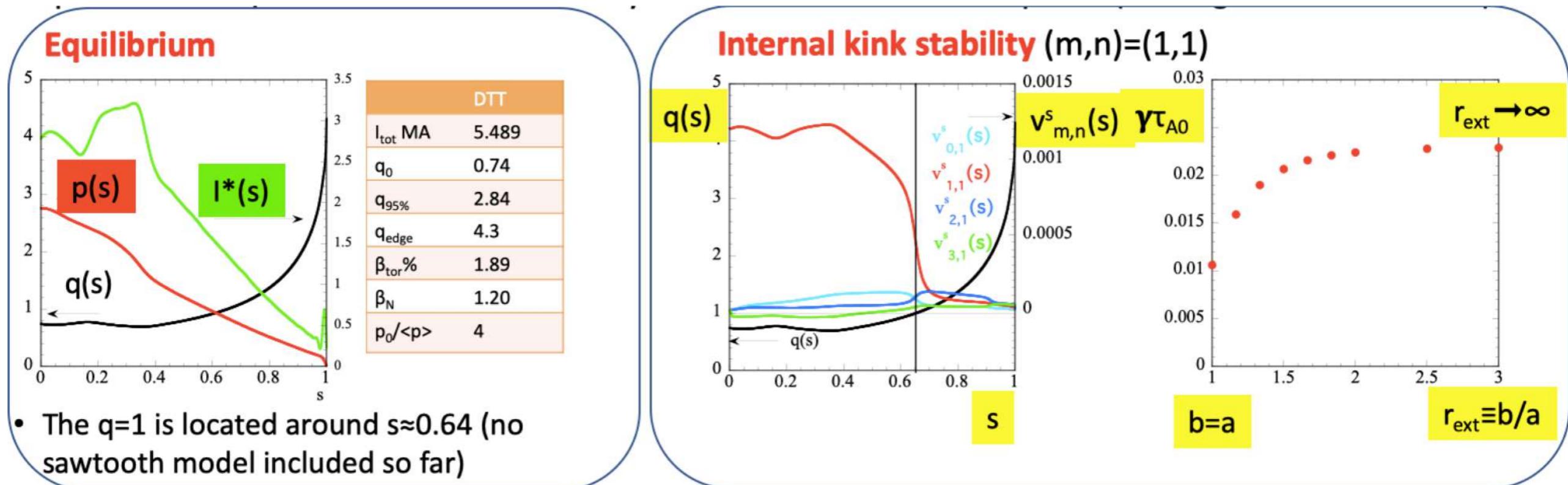
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# Low-n MHD stability studies - I

Input data and profiles from JETTO steady state Full Power time snapshot (Casiraghi et al. EPS 2022)

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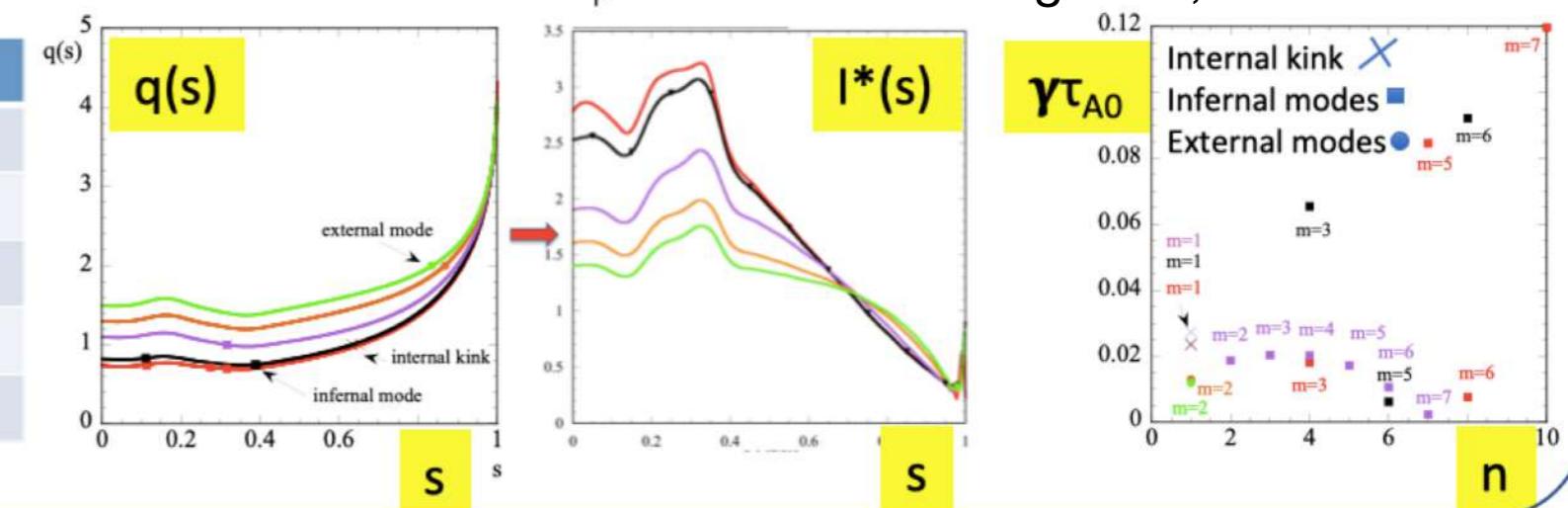
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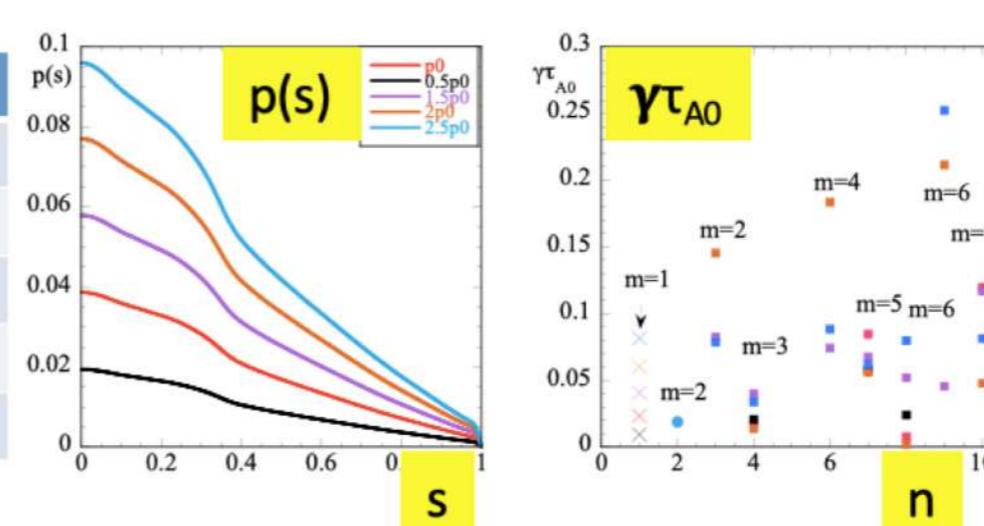
## Sensitivity analysis



<b>q</b>	<b>I<sub>tot</sub> MA</b>	<b>q<sub>0</sub></b>	<b>q<sub>95%</sub></b>	<b>q<sub>edge</sub></b>	<b>β<sub>tor</sub> %</b>	<b>β<sub>N</sub> %</b>
—	5.489	0.74	2.8450	4.3	1.89	1.20
—	5.487	0.82	2.8747	4.0016	1.866	1.191
—	5.327	1.10	2.9072	3.999	1.803	1.328
—	5.315	1.3	2.9636	4.0067	1.675	1.263
—	5.131	1.5	2.9965	4.0087	1.606	1.086



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<b>p0</b>	5.489	0.74	2.8450	4.3	1.89	1.20
0.5p0	5.505	0.75	2.82	4.2	0.0096	0.73
1.5p0	5.475	0.71	2.87	4.4	2.81	1.81
2p0	5.459	0.69	2.90	4.5	3.72	2.43
2.5p0	5.444	0.67	2.93	4.6	4.64	3.04



## Conclusion

- The internal kink exists as long as  $q_0 \lesssim 1$  and the infernal modes are observed when q rational surfaces lie in the zone of low shear and high pressure gradient
- The appearance of external modes occurs for parameters far from the **nominal** scenario



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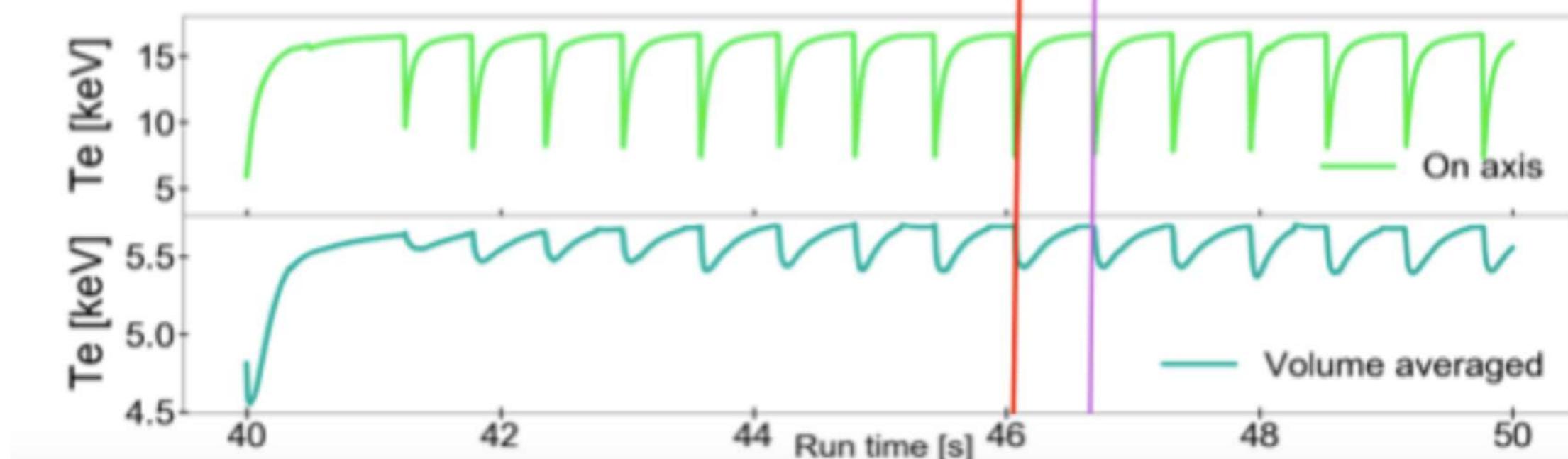
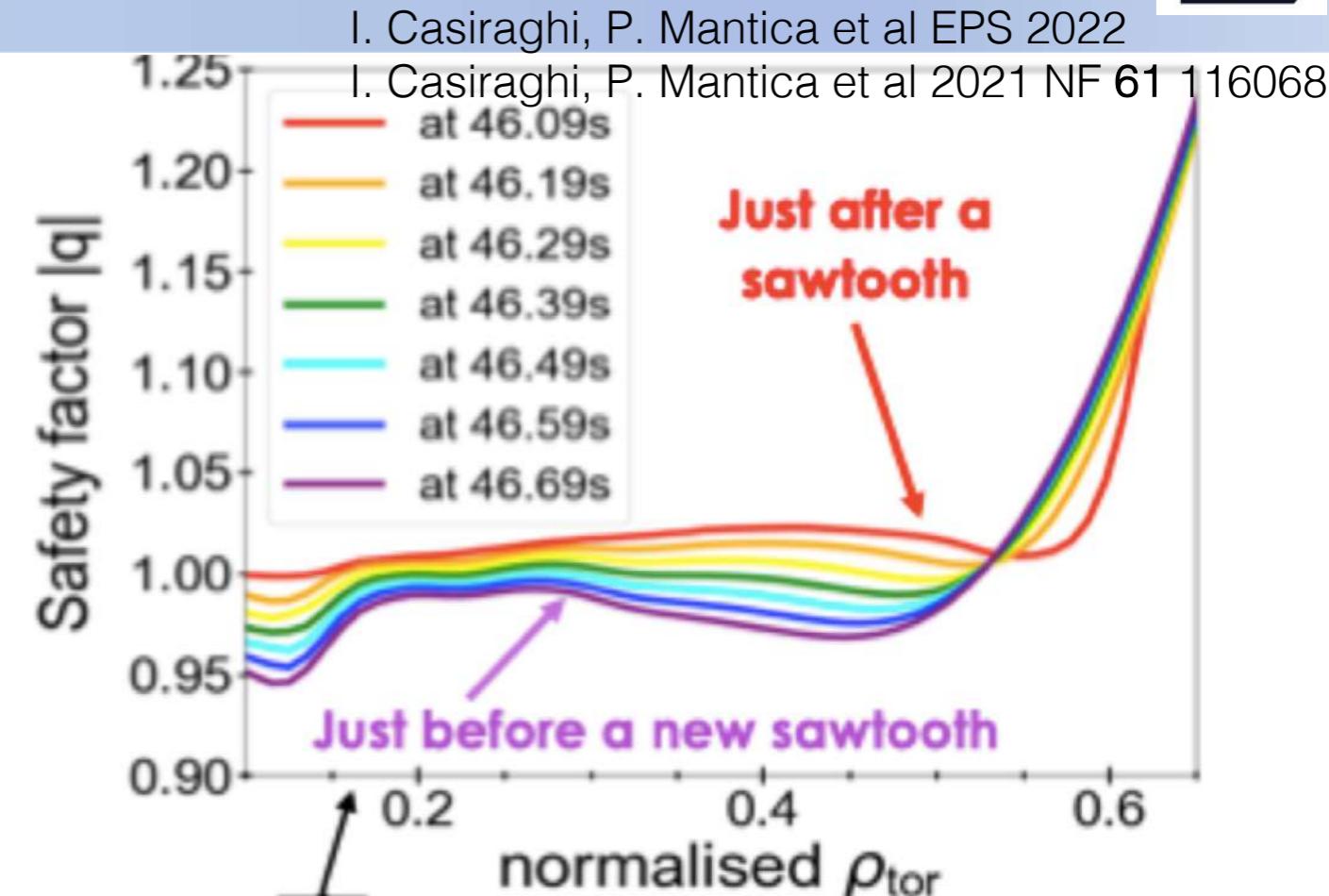


# Full power including sawteeth

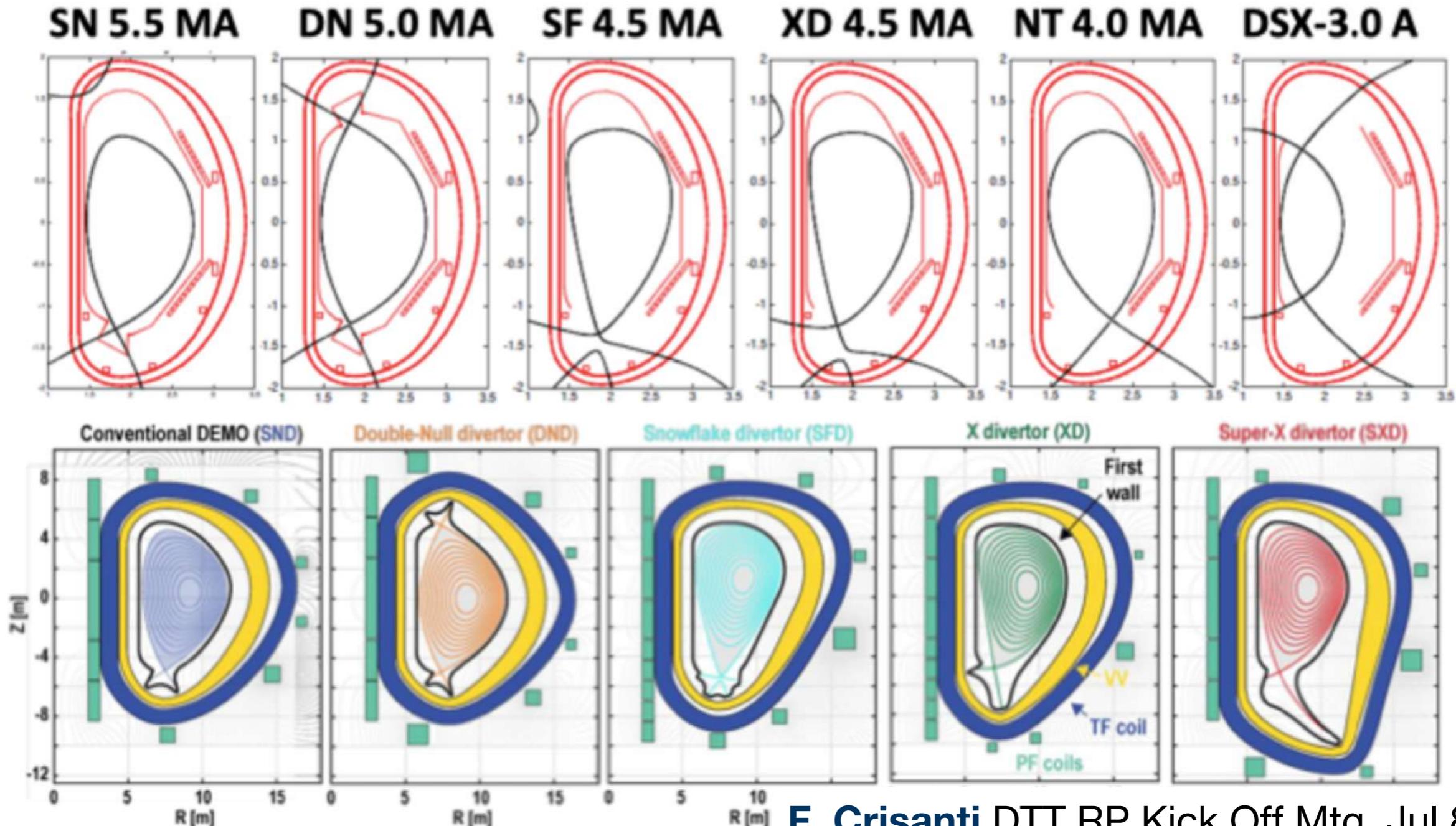
We repeated simulations of the FP SN PT scenario with

- the **BgB model** as turbulent transport model
- the **Porcelli model** to trigger the sawteeth (included fast ions)
- the **Kadomtsev model** for reconnection

→ ST frequency  $\approx 1.6$  Hz



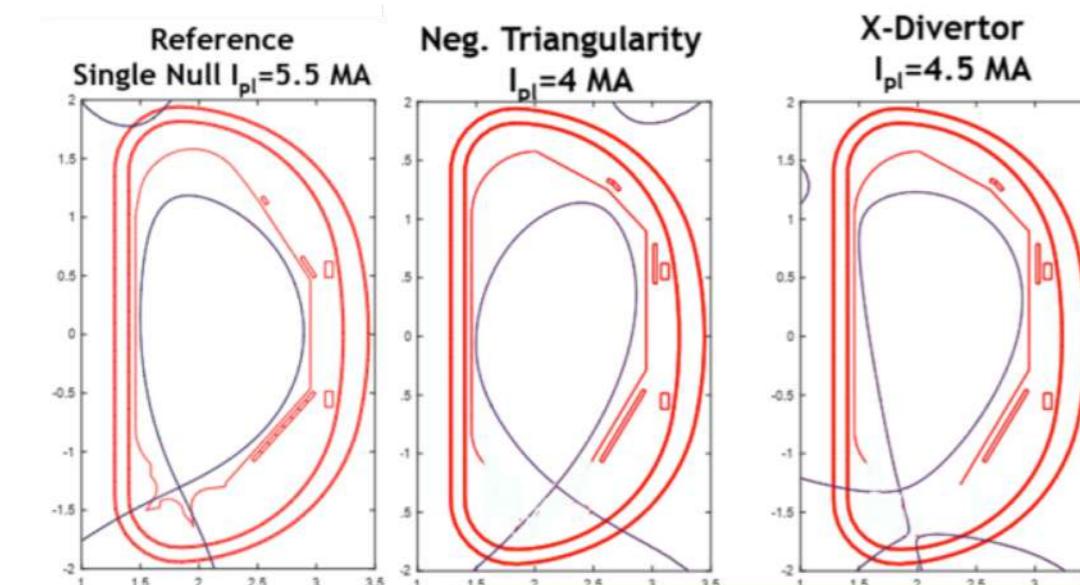
# DTT as a step towards DEMO



DTT can test all foreseen ADCs DEMO configurations

A set of small internal coils will allow **playing with local magnetic topology**

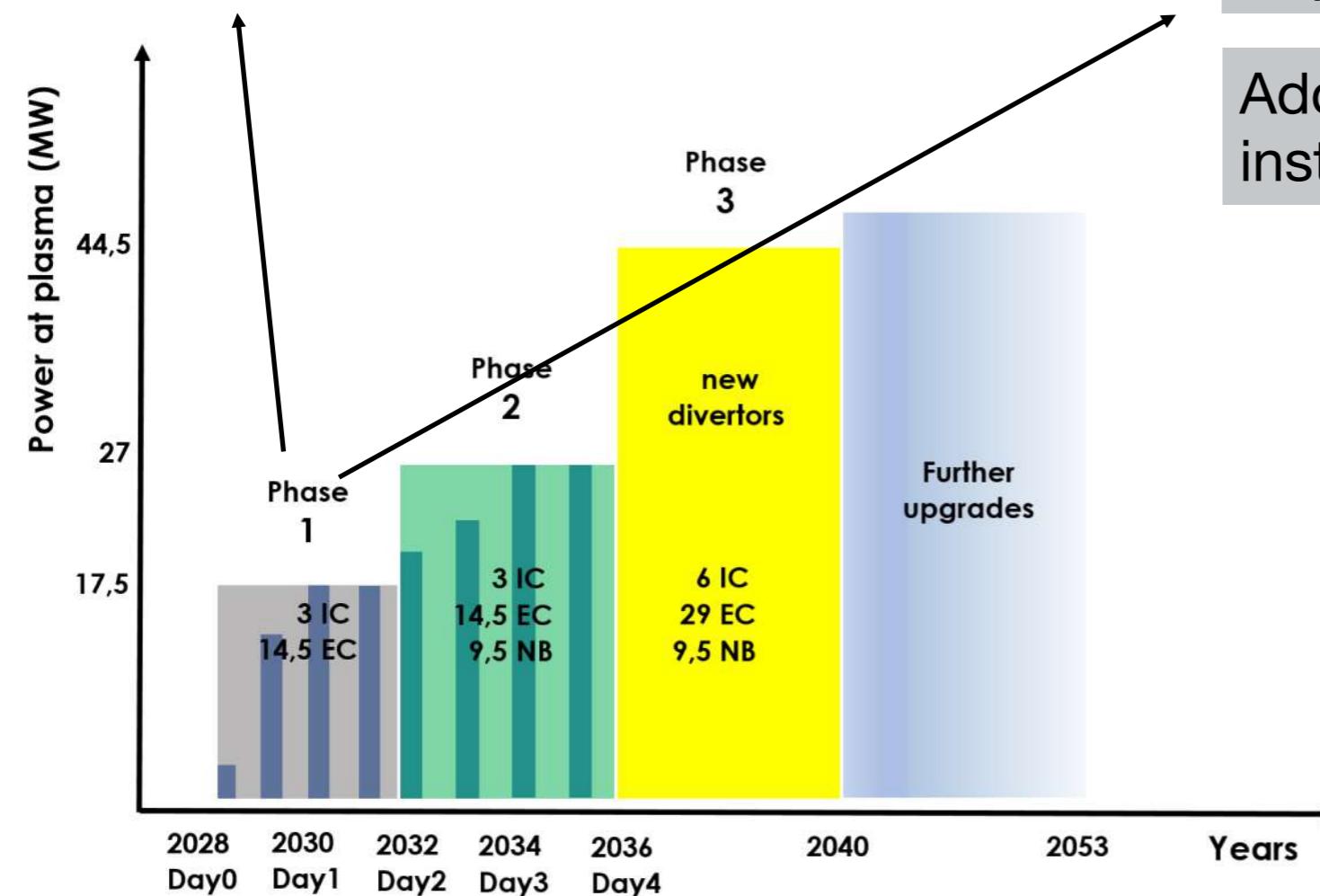
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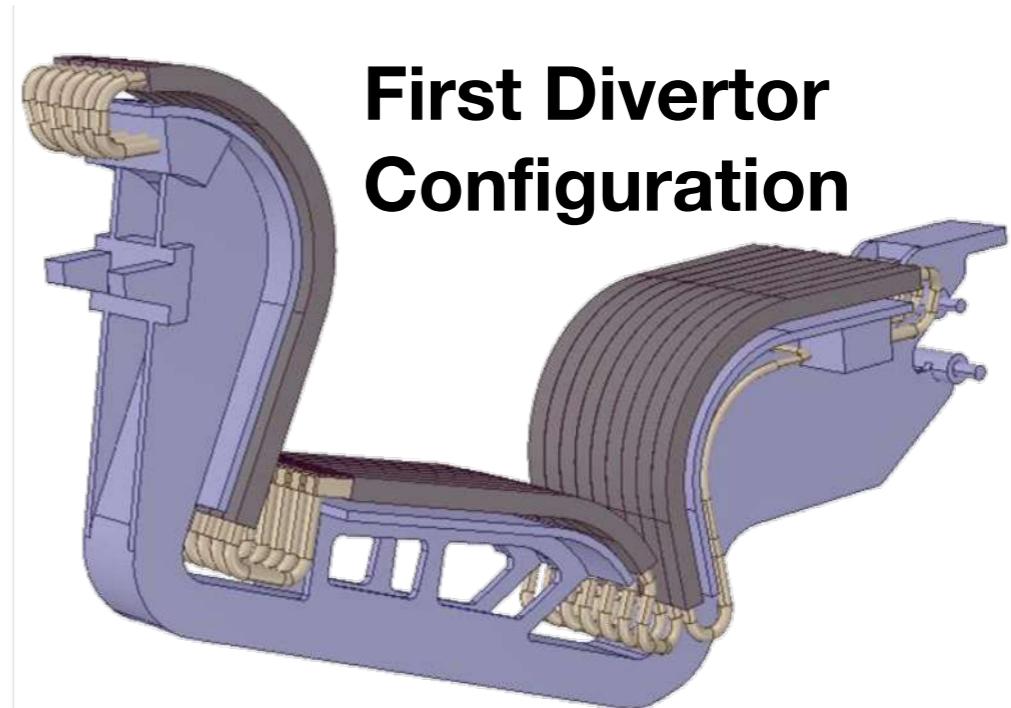
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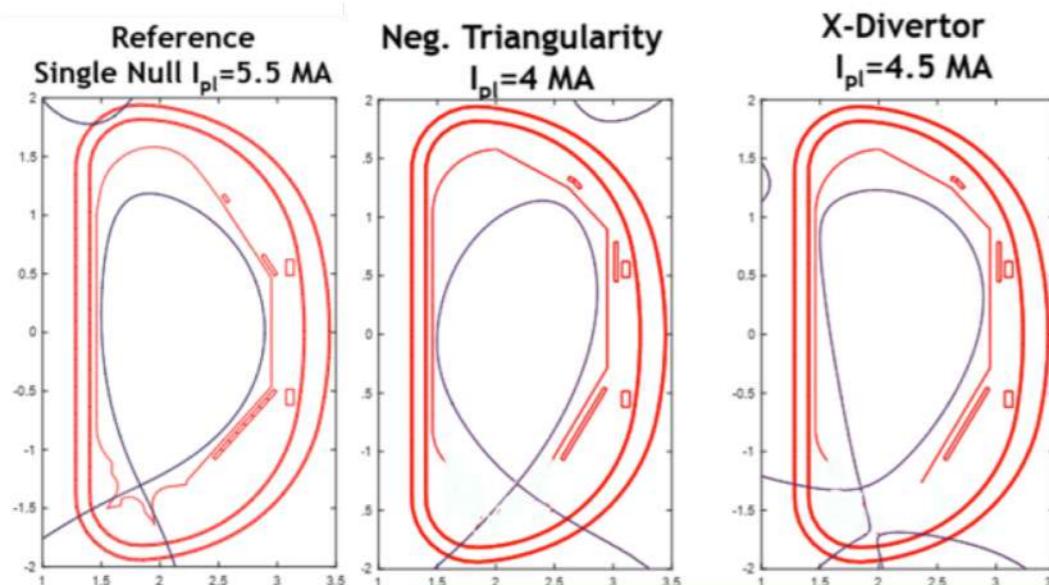
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 Day1:  $I_p = 4$  MA -  $B_T = 6$  T



Additional heating power to be installed in three steps

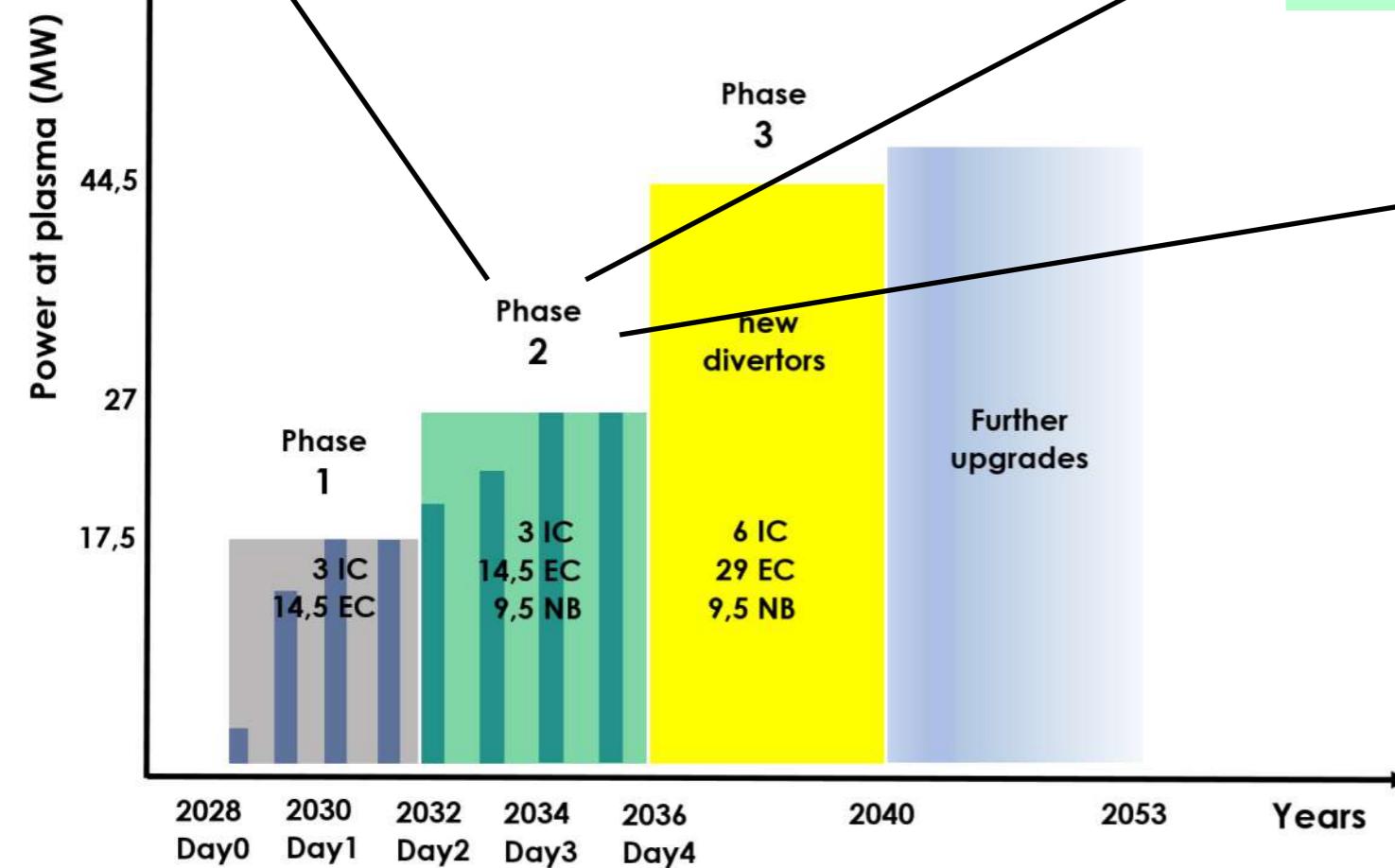


# DTT experimental program - II

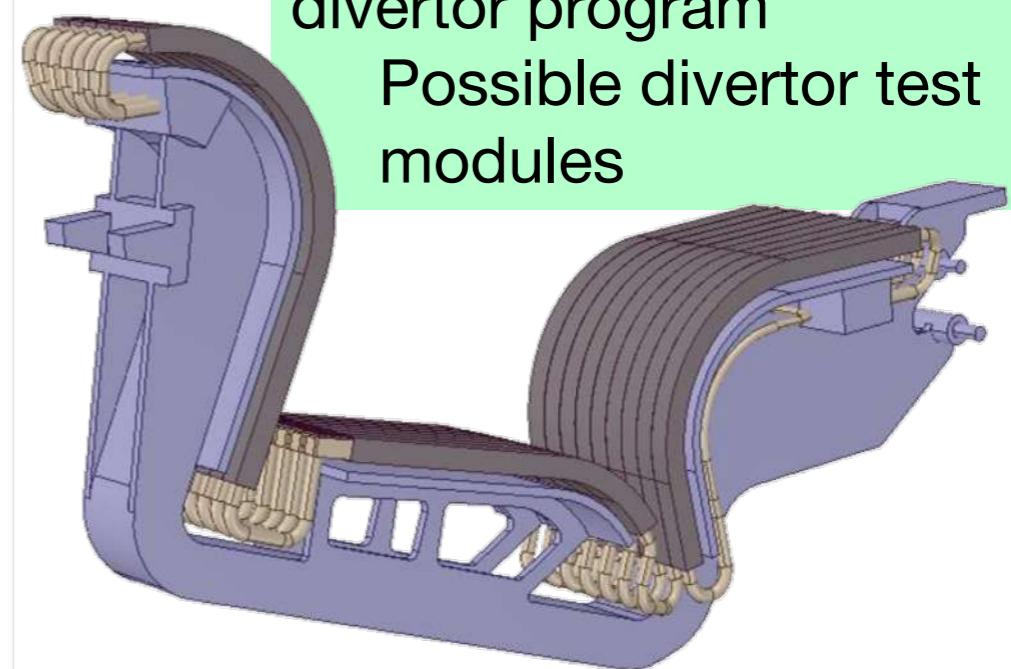


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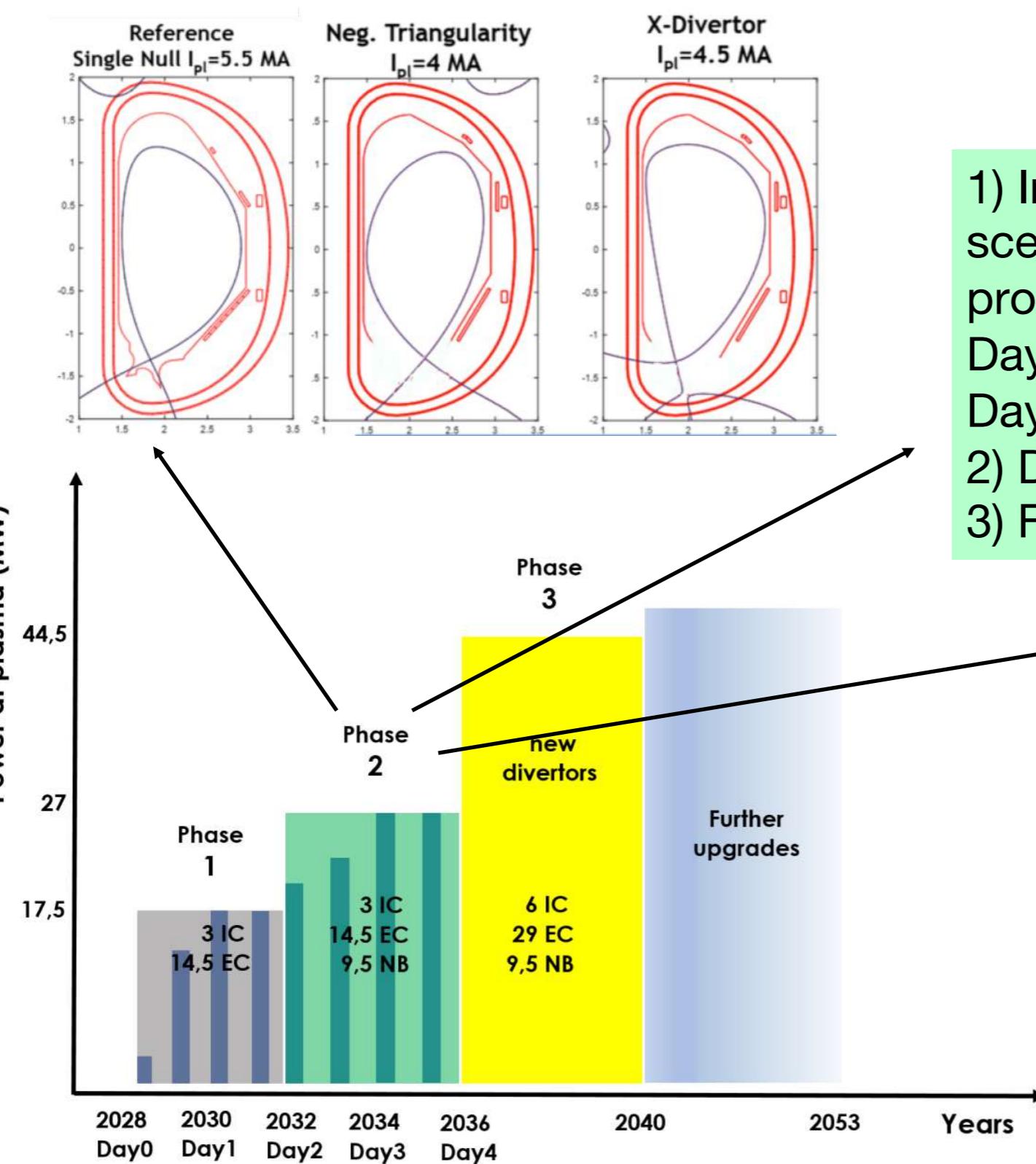
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- 2) Detachment studies (test divertors)



Cooperation with DEMO divertor program  
Possible divertor test modules



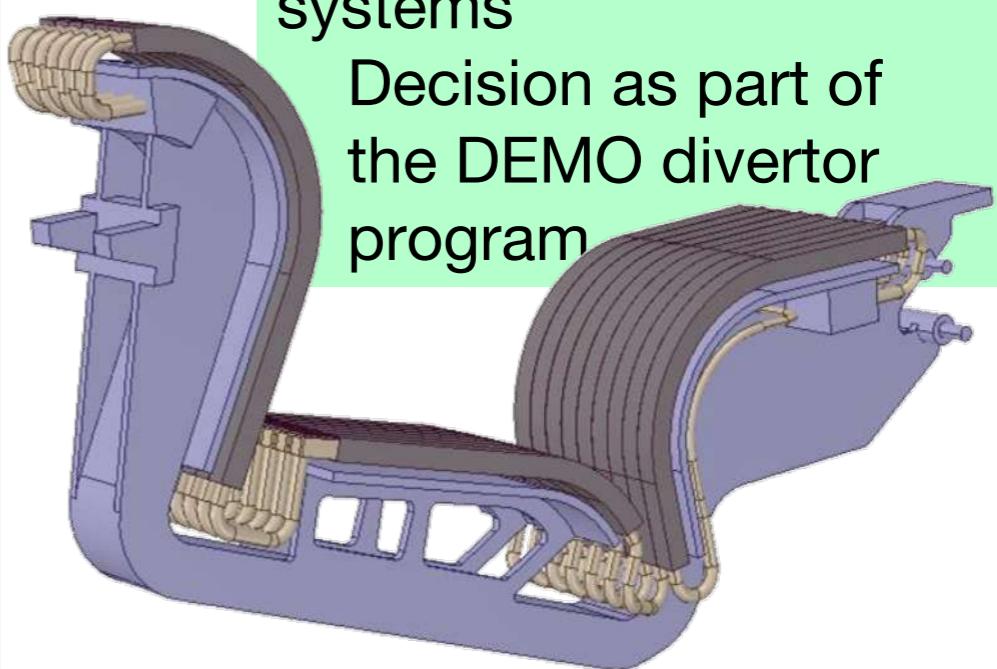
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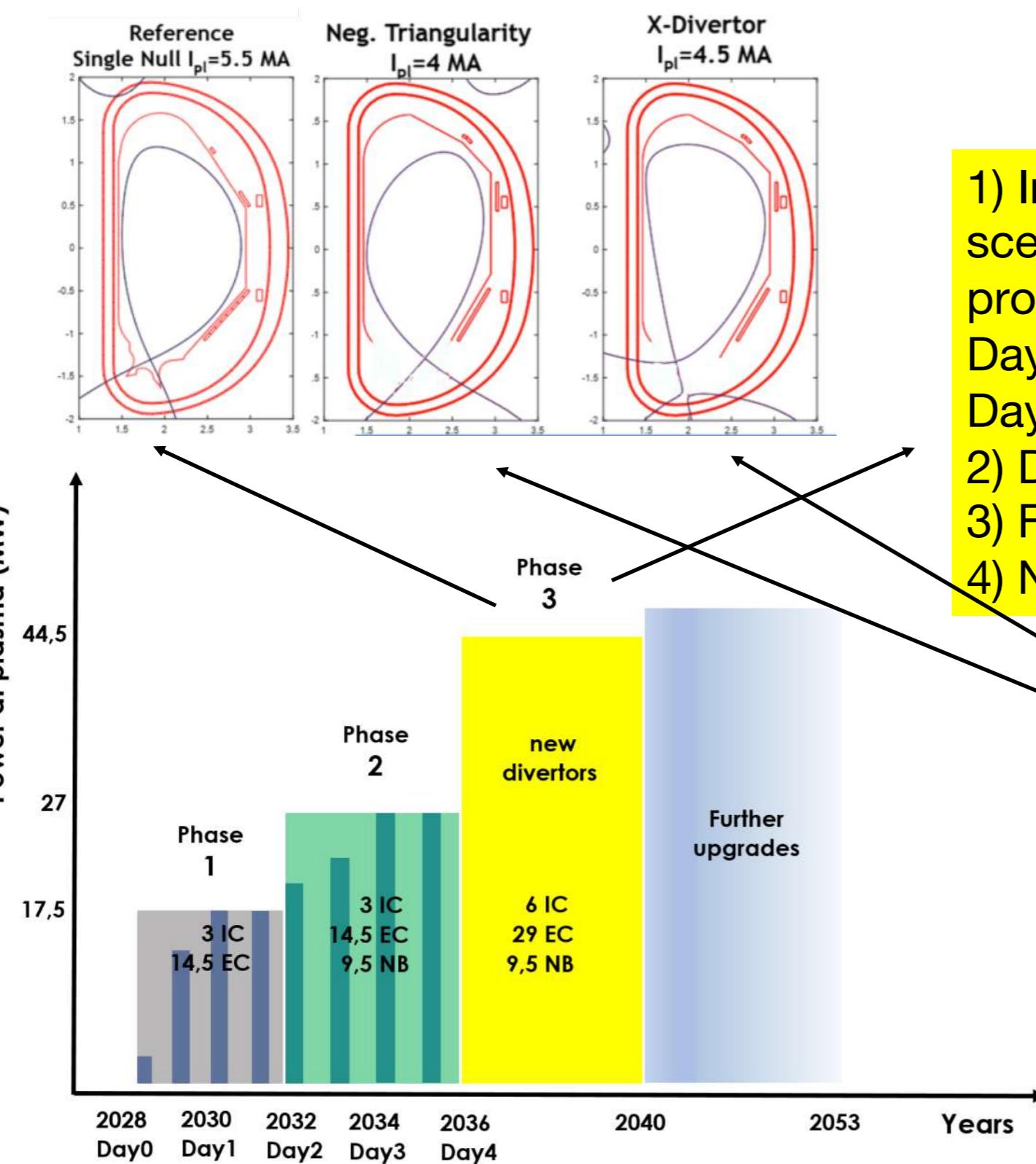
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Day1:  $I_p= 4$  MA -  $B_T= 6$  T
- 2) Detachment studies (test divertors)
- 3) Full heating power

Final choice of last heating systems  
Decision as part of the DEMO divertor program



# DTT experimental program - IV



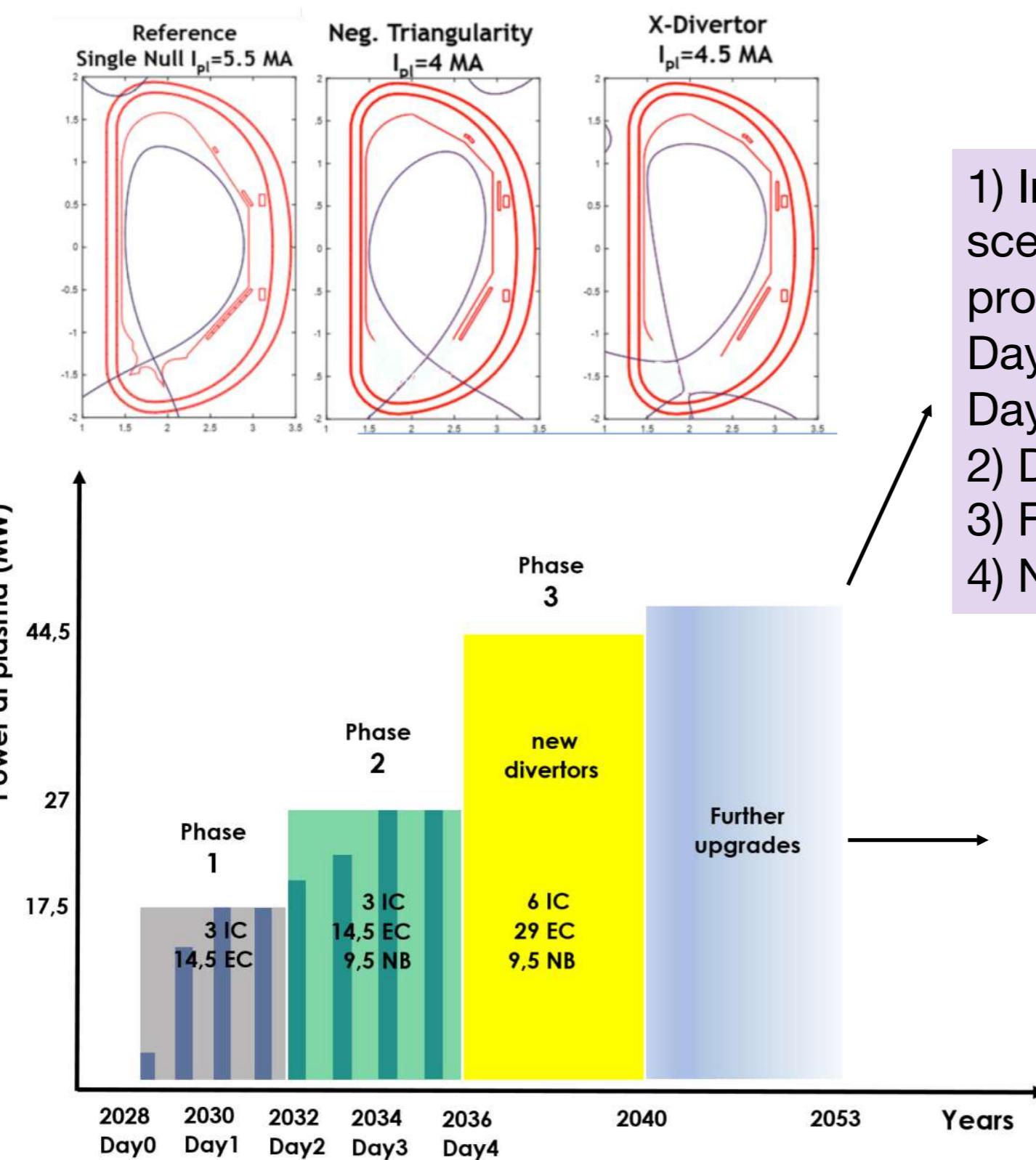
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Day1:  $I_p= 4$  MA -  $B_T= 6$  T
- 2) Detachment studies (test divertors)
- 3) Full heating power
- 4) New divertor

## New divertor

1. Shape?
2. Double null?
3. Negative triangularity
4. Liquid metals
5. Others? ...

# DTT experimental program - V



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Day0:  $I_p= 2$  MA -  $B_T= 3$  T  
Day1:  $I_p= 4$  MA -  $B_T= 6$  T
- 2) Detachment studies (test divertors)
- 3) Full heating power
- 4) New divertor

- Experimental program will run in parallel with ITER and JT60SA
- Strong cooperation will be mandatory.
- DTT mission will be mandatory to assist DEMO in divertor design