Conceptual Design of COMET and Radiation Hardness

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Detect monoenergetic electrons from μ -e conversion



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Requirements on Muon Beam

Pulsed beam

□ Bunch spacing ~muon life

- can mask prompt BG
- High intensity negative muon beam

 \Box Br<10⁻¹⁶ \rightarrow 10¹⁸ μ^-

- \square 10¹¹ μ^-/sec for 2 year operation
- Low energy muons
 - □ <~70MeV/c
 - □ to form muonic atoms
 - to avoid Decay-in-Flight BG

pulsed proton beam@J-PARC

- J-PARC E21
- Pulsed protons by slow extraction from MR
- 8GeV x 5~7microA
- Proton extinction <10⁻⁹
 O(10⁻⁷)x10⁻⁶







Muon sources

- Quadrupole
 - PSI, TRIUMF, RAL, J-PARC MUSE D-line (50mSr)
- Solenoid capture
 - Normal solenoid of SuperOmega
 - embedded target : MuSIC

Requirements for capture magnet

- Large aperture
- High magnetic field
- Radiation hardness

友射線ソレノイド D-line (50mSr) **MuSIC**

RCSから

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CW muon source@RCNP **6900 GM** Cryocooler

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400W proton beam (100W on target) ■~3x10⁸ μ⁺/s, ~10⁸ μ–/s

MIC normal SuperOmega solenoids Ultra slow muon beam@J-PARC MLF **\$380** on target) 400mSr SC solenoids

1MW pulsed beam (50kW(5%)) **-**~4x10⁸ μ⁺/s, ~10⁷ μ[−]/s

COMET apparatus

- A series of long solenoids from end to end
 pion capture & decay
 muon transport
 electron focus





Al-stabilized superconductor

- NbTi Rutherford cable with aluminum stabilizer
- "TRANSPARENT" to radiation
 Less nuclear heating
- Doped, cold-worked aluminum
 - Good residual resistance
 - RRR~500 (ρ₀=0.05nΩm@4K)
 - Good yield strength
 - 85MPa@4K



COMET design value

- Size: 4.7x15mm
- Offset yield point of Al@4K: >85MPa
- RRR@0T: >500
- Al/Cu/SC: 7.3/0.9/1
- 14 SC strands: 1.15mm dia.

Capture Solenoid Layout

- Superconducting solenoid magnets with Al-stabilized conductor
- High field 5T to capture π^-
- Large bore 1300mm
- High radiation env.
- Decreasing field
 - to focus trapped pions
- Thick radiation shielding 450mm
- Proton beam injection 10° tilted
- Simple mandrel

-	CS	MS1	MS2
Length (mm)	1600	1900	300
Diameter (mm)	1300	1300	1300
Layer	8 layers	4 layers	8 layers
Thickness (mm)	120	60	120
Current density (A/mm ²)	42	42	42
Maximum field (T)	5.8	4.8	4.2
Hoop stress (MPa)	73	100	38







Radiation on CS





- Maximum heat deposit
 10 mW/kg
- Maximum dose
 - 0.07 MGy/10²¹p
- Neutron flux
 - □ 1x10²¹ n/m²/10²¹p
 - □ fast neutrons 6x10²⁰ n/m²/10²¹p (>0.1MeV)

Neutrons penetrates thick 45cm tungsten shield surrounding the target

Neutron fluence for experimental life-time (~10²¹ p) approaches a level of ITER magnets (ITER requirement: 10²² n/m²)

Radiation hardness of magnet materials

- Support structure
 GFRP, Titanium rod
- Superconductor
 NbTi, Nb3Sn would be OK up to 10²² n/m²

Resin

- Epoxy can be used <1MGy</p>
- BT resin is good candidate
 - J-PARC accelerator magnet
 - Top part of the SuperOmega solenoid
- Also Cyanate ester
- Kapton-BT prepreg tape



Fabian and Hooker et. al., presented at "HHH-AMT, Topical Meeting on Insulation and Impregnation Technologies for Magnets"

Problematic components

Stabilizer

- □ Aluminum alloy
- □ Copper
- Thermal conductor
 - Pure aluminum
 - Copper
 - □ Aluminum alloy

Thermo sensor

 \square No experience at 10²¹ n/m²



Figure 3 Error on temperature measurement on some sensors during irradiation (Tbath=1.8 K)

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- Fast-neutron irradiation induces defects in metal.
- Defects could be accumulated at Low temperature,
- and causes degradation of electrical/thermal conductivity



- Problems in
 - Quench protection, Stability
 - Cooling

Table 3 Irradiation induced resistivity, ρ_i , defect concentration, C_i , and ratio of induced to residual resistivity, ρ_i/ρ_0 .

Irradiation effects on AI, Cu in literature

• pure AI (RRR=2286)

- Fast neutron 2x10²² n/m² Induces ρ_i =3.8nΩ.m [1]
 - ρ_i=0.02nΩ.m for 10²⁰ n/m²
- Perfect recovery by anneal at RT

- □ ρ_i=1.2nΩ.m [1]
- 10% damage remains after annealing at RT

How about cold-worked Al-stabilizer → tests at KUR

[1] J.A. Horak and T.H. Blewitt, J. Nucl. Materials, Vol. 49 (1973) p161

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Element	Induced resistivity, ρ _i (nΩ · cm)	Induced concentration a) (10 ⁻⁴ a.f.)	$\rho_{\rm i}/\rho_{\rm o}$	
Aluminum	382.3	5.6	275	
Nickel	363.9	5.6	31	
Copper	116.2	4.8	142	
Silver	87.9	3.6	54	
Gold	102.7	4.0	40	
Platinum	264.6	3.6	48	
Iron	1137.2	9.1	21	
Molybdenum	593.3	6.0	142	
Cobalt	794.6	8.0	9	





Cooling in high radiation NIMA584, p53 (2008)

- Bath cooling could cause helium activation
 - □ Tritium production by ³He(n,p)³H
- \rightarrow Conduction cooling
 - Remove nuclear heating (max. 20W) by pure aluminum strip in between coil layers
- Thermal conduction can be degraded by neutron irradiation
- Temperature gradient in coil
 - 0.5mm thick, λ=4000W/m-K (RRR=2000) → ΔT=0.12K
 - □ If irradiation degrade λ =400W/m-K → Δ T=1.2K
- Taking into account margin for irradiation damage, thick aluminum will be used
 - □ 2mm, λ =400W/m-K → Δ T=0.3K





Fig. 11. Sketch showing the showing the concept of the thermosiphon and indicating where the cooling pipes are fixed to the cold mass.

Quench protection

- Aluminum stabilizer
 Induced resistivity by neutrons
 - $□ \rho_i = 0.02-0.03 n\Omega.m$ for $10^{20} n/m^2$
- Should keep ρ<0.5nΩm
 Thermal cycle to RT every a few x 10²⁰ n/m²



Watch Sample

- Monitor degradation of electric resistance during irradiation
- Specimens made of same material as SC stabilizer, thermal conductor
- If degradation is detected during magnet operation
- Magnet would be warmed up
 Annealing at RT



■Cu (RRR=300)

 □φ1mm x 45mm (28mm for Vsense)

 ■AI (RRR=3000)

 □0.5x1 x 45mm (28mm for Vsense)

Summary

- Conceptual design of COMET superconducting solenoid magnets has been performed
- Solenoid capture scheme is employed to realize the intense negative muon beam
- Pion Capture Solenoid is operated in severe radiation
- Radiation hardness of magnet material is inspected and is taken into account in the COMET magnet design
 - Stabilizer
 - Thermal conductor
 - □ Thermosensor can be degraded?

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