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# ***Sustainability for Young Generation***

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- ***Downsizing of Accelerators***
- ***Medical RI Production by Best Mix of Research Reactors and Accelerators***
- ***Sustainable Social Infrastructure***
- ***Decommission of TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station (FDNPS)***
- ***Summary***

# Particle, Energy and Choice of Accelerators

100 keV

1 MeV

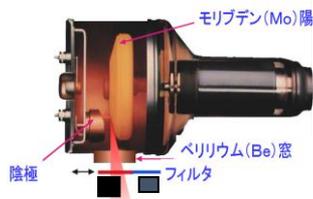
100 MeV

1 GeV

1 TeV



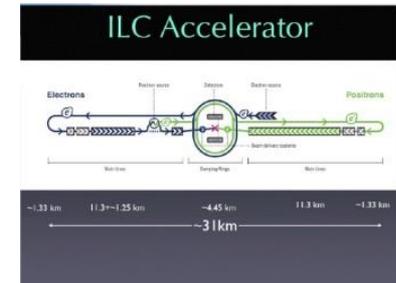
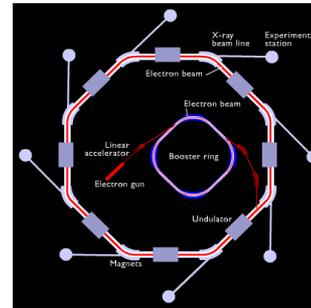
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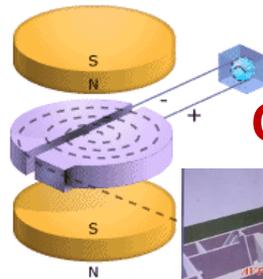
**X-ray Tube**



**Linac**



**Linear Collider**



**Cyclotron**

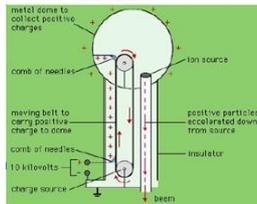


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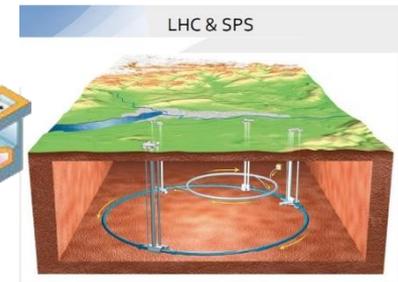
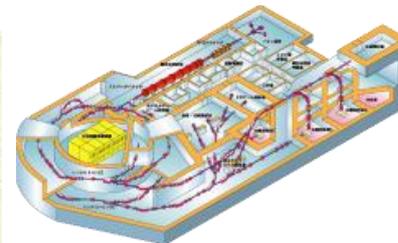


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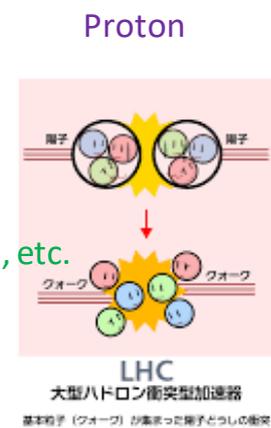
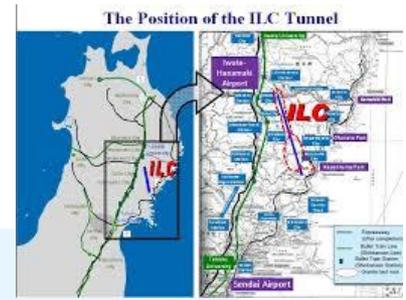
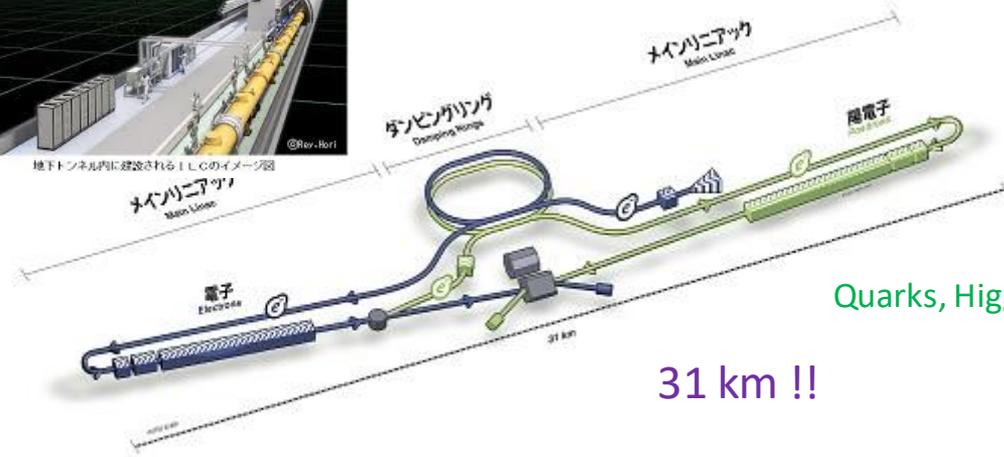
**Ion**



**Electrostatic**



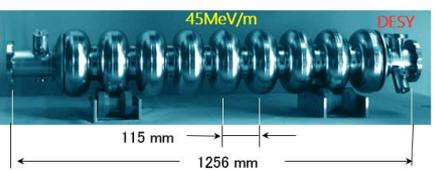
# Trials for Downsizing of International Linear Collider



Quarks, Higgs, etc.

## Alternatives

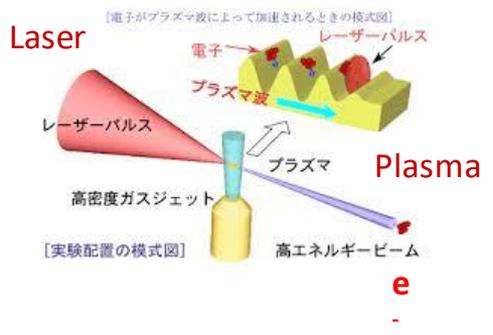
### Superconducting Linac



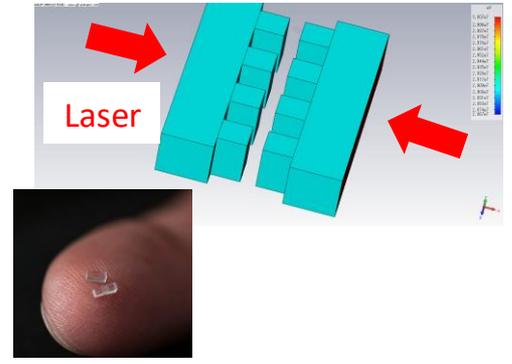
### X-band (11.424GHz) Linac



### Laser Plasma Accelerator (THz)



### Optical Laser Dielectric Accelerator



# Downsizing of Medical Accelerators by Advanced Technologies

## Electron Linac with S/C/X-bands



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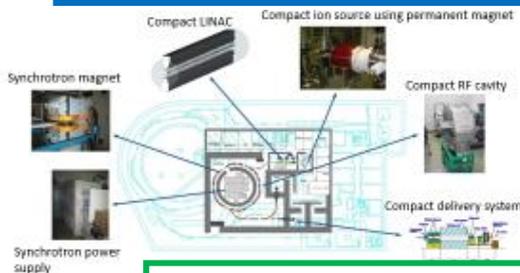
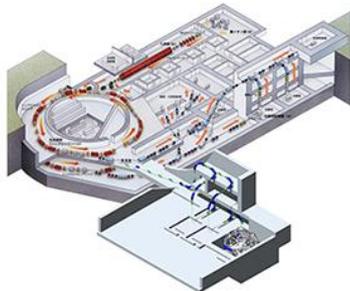


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## Synchrotron with Layout / SC



Hokkaido University and Hitachi  
Quantum knife

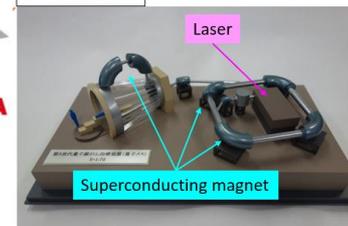
## Cyclotron with SC / Layout

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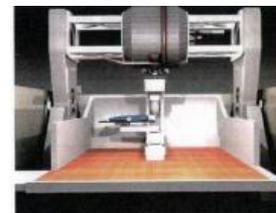


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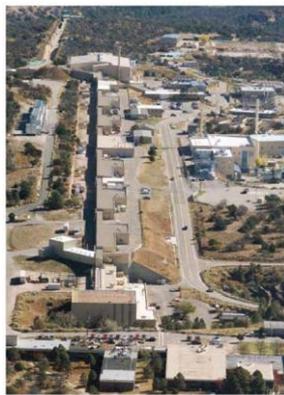


Review of Accelerators for Science and Technology, Vol.2(2009).p.154

Quantum Knife of QST

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## Neutron Source and BNCT



RANS of RIKEN



Cyclotron based BNCT at Fukushima



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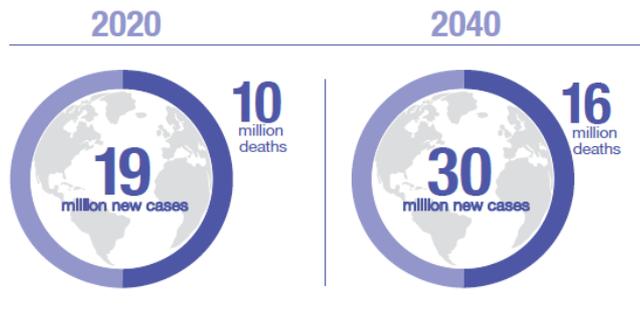


# Rays of Hope

## Cancer care for all

Rays of Hope will integrate the breadth of the IAEA's expertise to support Member States in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer using radiation medicine.

### The Global Cancer Burden



Over 70% of cancer deaths occur in LMICs.

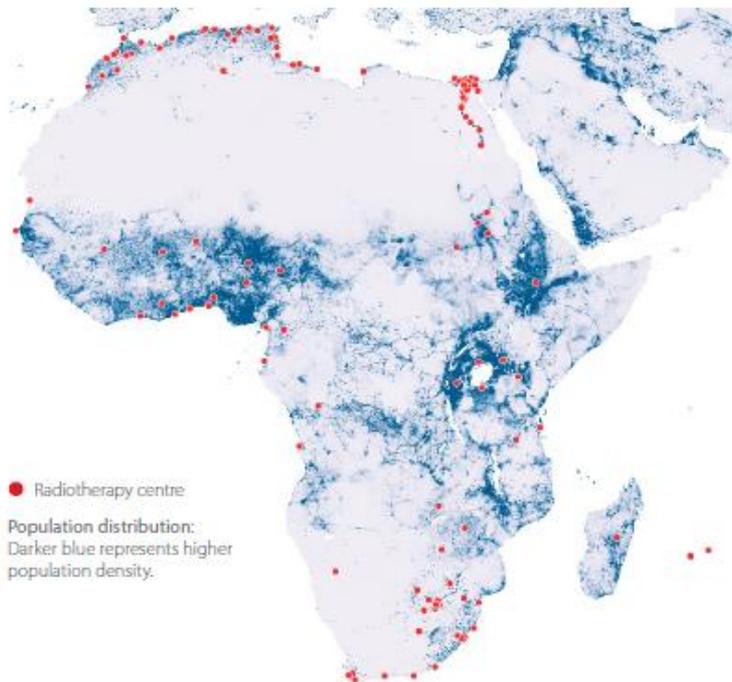


Only 5% of global spending on cancer goes to LMICs.



About half of cancer patients require radiotherapy.

**OVER 70% OF THE POPULATION OF AFRICA DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO RADIOTHERAPY.**



In Africa, over 700,000 people died of cancer in 2020. More than 20 African countries have no radiotherapy treatment unit.

# Nuclear Medicine from Nuclear Waste by University of Tokyo's Group

**$\alpha$  emitter  $^{225}\text{Ac}$  for cancer therapy from waste ( $^{226}\text{Ra}$ ) at U-fuel production**

Chemical extraction of  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  from U mining waste

( $\sim 15\text{g } ^{226}\text{Ra}$  from  $30\text{km}^3$ )



Solid or Liquid  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  Targets



Supply for Fundamental Research



Supply for Clinical Uses



$^{99}\text{Mo}/^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$  (SPECT),  
100 B¥/year @ JAPAN

$^{67}\text{Cu}$  (PET)  
 $^{225}\text{Ac}$  ( $\alpha$ )  
(Theranotics=  
Therapeutic+Diagnosis)

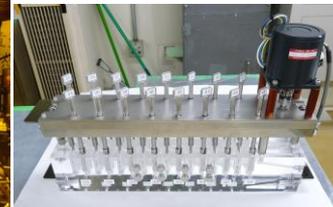
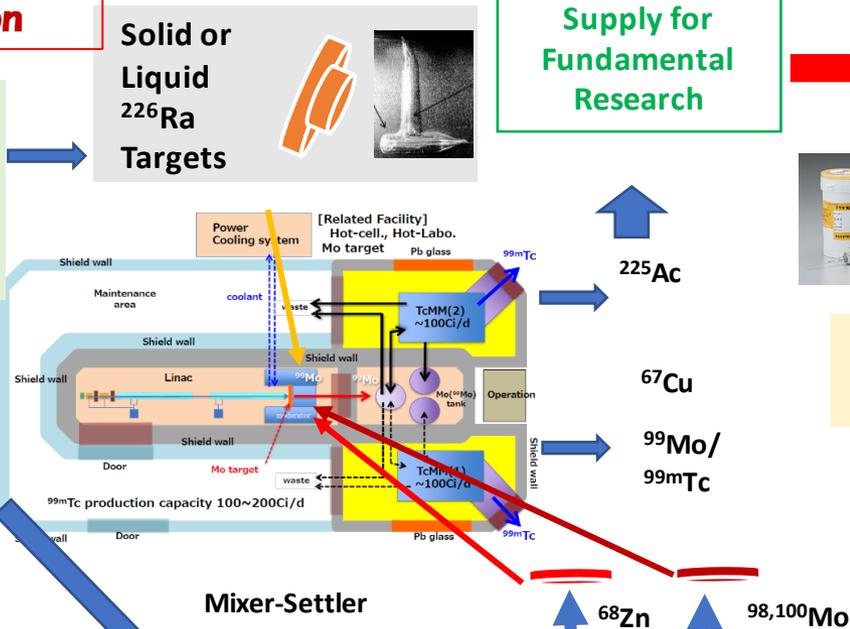
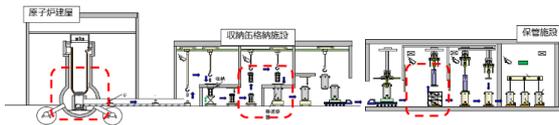
Fuel Cycle Plant



Decommissioning Plant



Debris without Fuel Materials

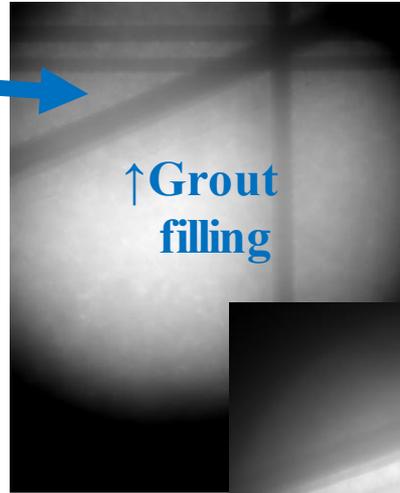


$\gamma$  Emitter RIs ( $^{99}\text{Mo}/^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ ) for cancer diagnosis from spent fuel waste (Mo)

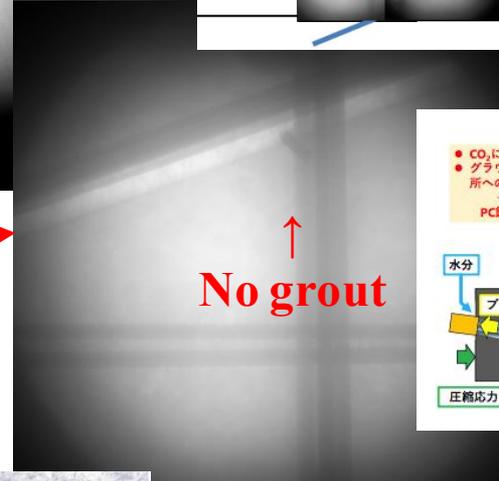
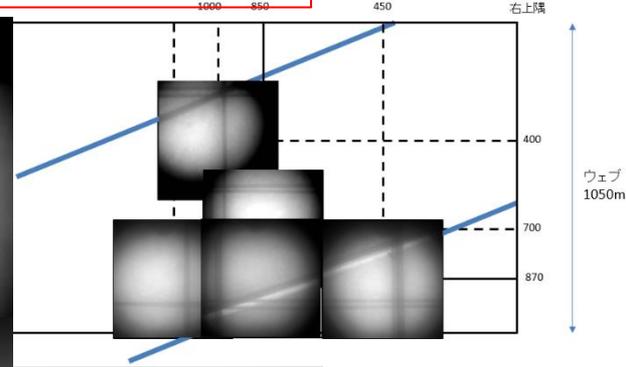
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# On-site X-ray Inspection by 950 keV system for PC (Prestressed Concrete) bridges of up to ~50 cm thickness

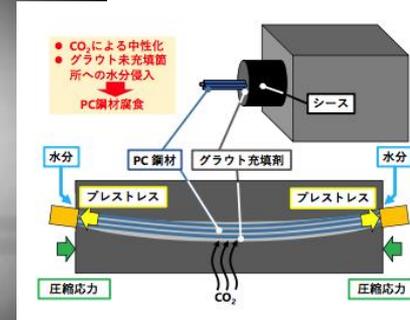
Crack



↑ Grout filling



↑ No grout



↑ Cracks and leak of Ca components

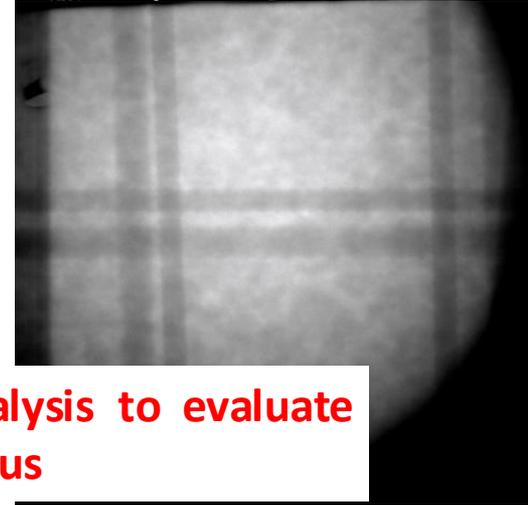


↑ Grout filling

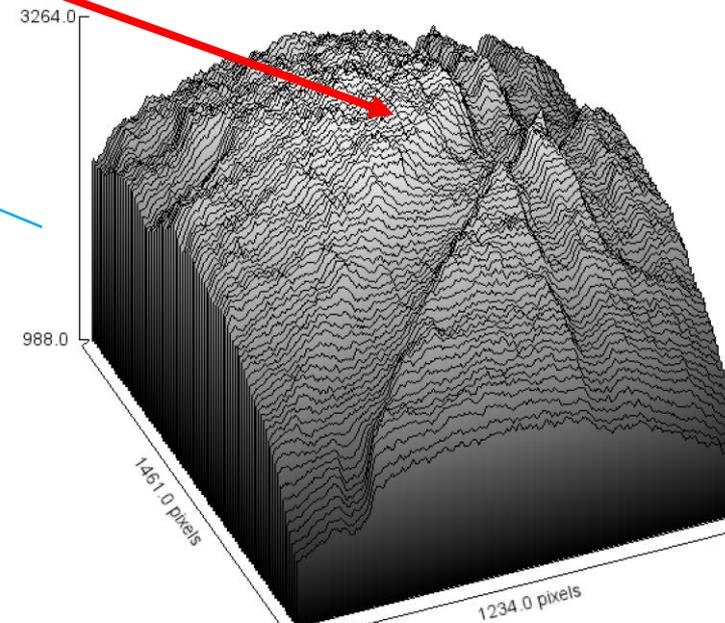
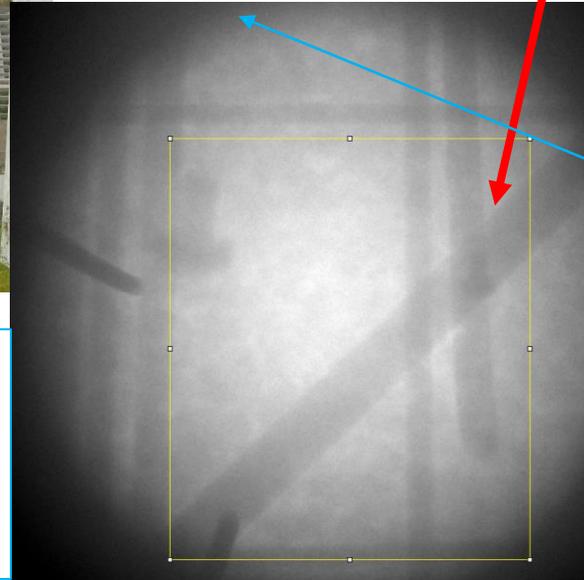
↑ No grout

X-ray transmission images indicate reinforced iron rods and grout filling and not-filling around the PC wires in the PC sheath clearly

# On-site X-ray Inspection by 3.95 MeV system for PC (Prestressed Concrete) bridges of up to ~1 m thickness



Gray value image processing analysis to evaluate the grout filling and not-filling status



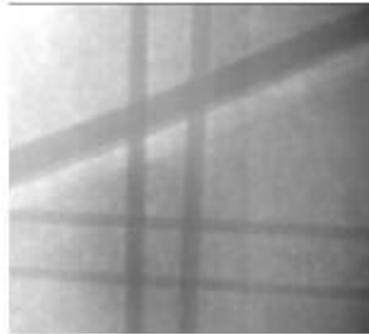
More than 10 real bridges  
and one highway bridge  
under the Japanese national  
project

# Formation of Technical Guideline for On-site X-ray Bridge Inspection

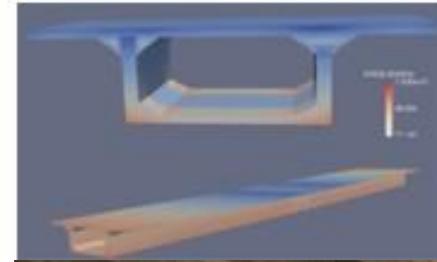
**Visual and  
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sound  
inspections**



**X-ray inspection**



**Structural  
analysis**

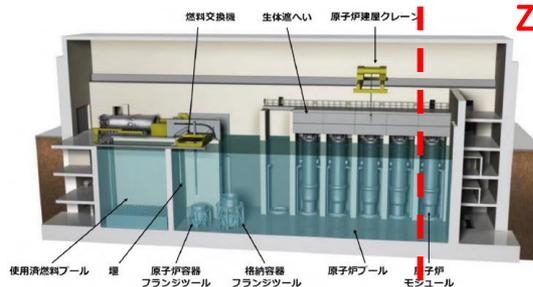
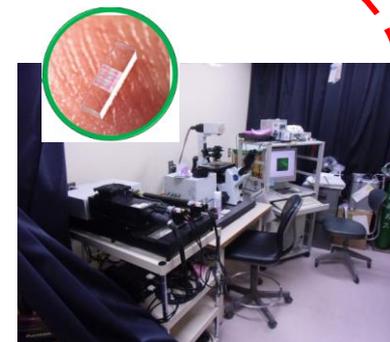
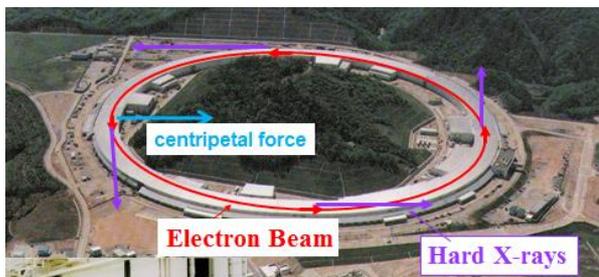


**Repair and  
reinforcement**



**We hope to apply this guidelines to all aged bridges soon in Japan and finally in the world**

# Downsizing of Accelerator and Nuclear Reactor



Smart city for zero-emission / contamination

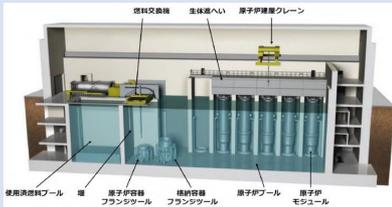


# Examples of diverse innovative reactor concepts

## Small Modular Reactor(SMR)

- Small reactor core with simplified systems, which aims to improve reliability by adopting passive safety features, etc.
- Modular production shortens the construction period.  
⇒ Reducing evacuation area , low capital cost

### ◆ VOYGR (NuScale Power)



### ◆ BWRX-300 (GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy)



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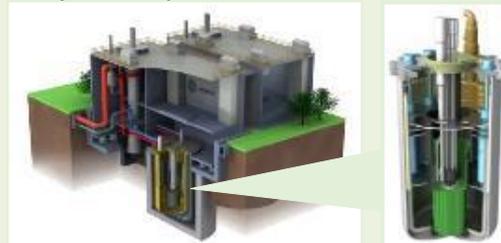
## Sodium-cooled Fast Reactor

- Sodium-Cooled Fast Reactor using fast neutrons  
⇒ Efficient use of resources and reduction of radioactive waste volume and toxicity

### ◆ Experimental Fast Reactor Joyo(JAEA)



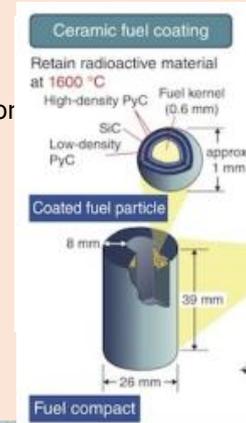
### ◆ PRISM (GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy)



## High Temperature Gas-cooled Reactor

- High temperature reactor (approx. 950°C) with chemically stable helium coolant and coated particle fuels => heat utilization, hydrogen production, high safety

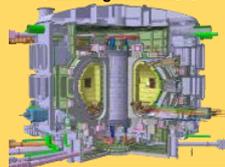
### ◆ High Temperature engineering Test Reactor (HTTR) (JAEA)



## Fusion Reactor

- Energy by fusing light nuclei  
(Plentiful Fuel Resources, Inherently safe, Excellent for the Environment)  
⇒ Abundant fuel, high safety, high environmental protection

ITER (Experimental Reactor)  
(Saint Paul-Lez-Durance, southern France  
(ITER Organization) )



ITER Project



Supplementation  
Support

Broader Approach

International Fusion Energy Research Centre  
(Rokkasho, Aomori, Japan)  
(National Institutes for Quantum Science and Technology(QST))



JT-60SA  
(Naka, Ibaraki, Japan)  
(QST)

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# The clean energy and water nexus. *Dream big and let's make these dreams reality.*

- We need dramatic change in our thinking and actions to reduce climate change and reduce/eliminate reliance on energy sources that are not clean.
- Sweden has been decarbonized since the 1970s. Follow suit. *Make this a basis of the energy architecture.*
- The answer is the clean energy and water nexus. One disruptive approach is **the marriage of nuclear and particle accelerators - Small modular reactors could power an industrial complex or a small city and all-electric decontamination schemes with particle accelerators could reduce emissions.**
- We can create an electric ecosystem encapsulated in an industrial park/small city with the advancements in SMRs.
- We need disruptive policy changes to field these near-existing technology solutions.

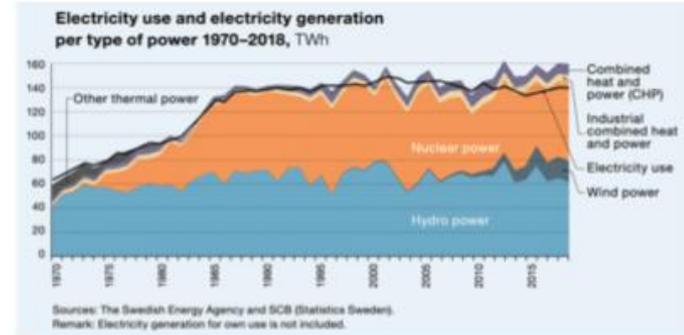


Figure 1: Evolution of Sweden's total electricity energy generation in terawatt-hour (TWh), from 1970-2018.<sup>1</sup> Within the past decade, Sweden has generated a surplus of electric power, enabling it to regularly export power to its neighbors (Swedish Energy Agency 2020).

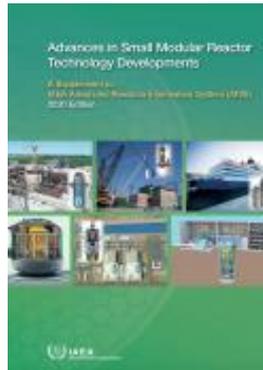


## Computing Resources

<b>Nodes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10K Azure 6000 Gen 2</li> <li>• 400 NVIDIA A100 GPUs</li> <li>• NVIDIA GPU A100, HBM stack</li> <li>• AMD EPYC server processor 280 TB of DDR4 memory</li> <li>• 500 nodes, 500 cores</li> </ul>	<b>Theta</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10K AWS EC2</li> <li>• 120 NVIDIA Tesla V100 GPUs</li> <li>• 48 TB RAM, 1.7B GPU</li> <li>• 120 nodes, 1.512 cores</li> </ul>	<b>Cooley</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cray AMD</li> <li>• 120 NVIDIA Tesla V100 GPUs</li> <li>• 48 TB RAM, 1.7B GPU</li> <li>• 120 nodes, 1.512 cores</li> </ul>	<b>JLSE Experimental Testbeds</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 160 nodes</li> <li>• 120 NVIDIA Tesla V100 GPUs</li> <li>• 48 TB RAM, 1.7B GPU</li> <li>• 120 nodes, 1.512 cores</li> </ul>
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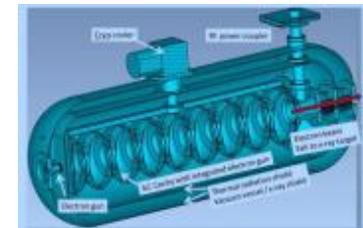
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Example, NuScale,  
<https://www.nuscalepower.com>



Example high-power, compact,  
electron accelerator module for  
purifying waste streams.

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Computational resources, together with modern simulation and AI software, can help make good energy sources better, predict better materials, analyze experimental data, and optimize operation.

References: Robert Rosner & Sabrina Fields (2021) Is nuclear power sustainable in a carbon-free world? The case of Sweden, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, 77:6, 295-300, DOI: 10.1080/00963402.2021.1989196

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## SUMMARY

- **Downsizing of big accelerators enables portable accelerators for a variety of applications.**
- **Medical RI production is shifting to the best mix of accelerators and low enriched U research reactors.**
- **Portable X-ray and neutron sources are expected to be applied to infrastructure maintenance and nuclear power plant decommissioning.**
- **Proposal of smart city with micro-reactor and small accelerators for zero-emission/contamination.**

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