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## **AWAKE: driving plasma wakefields with a proton bunch and accelerating electrons for particle physics applications**

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High-energy proton bunches offer the potential to drive wakefields over very long distances in plasma. An externally-injected electron bunch can thus in principle experience very large energy gain (hundreds of GeVs to TeVs) in a single plasma with GeV/m accelerating gradient. AWAKE explores this potential with 400 GeV proton bunches from the CERN SPS. Based on the successful demonstration of seeded self-modulation of the proton bunch and of acceleration of test electrons, a plan was devised to produce 10-200 GeV electron bunches with parameters suitable for application to particle physics\*\*. We will outline key experimental results and the general plan for the experiment.

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