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The P3 experiment: a proof-of-principle e+ source for future colliders

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The PSI Positron Production (P3 or P-cubed) experiment is a e+ source and capture system with potential to increase by an order of magnitude the state-of-the-art e+ yield normalized to the drive linac energy, a long-desired goal for future lepton colliders. The experiment is framed in the FCC-ee injector study and will be hosted at SwissFEL, located at the Paul Scherrer Institute in Switzerland. This paper paper presents the P3 project at an advanced stage, with an emphasis on a capture system featuring a novel e+ matching device based on high-temperature superconducting solenoids, followed by 2 large aperture RF cavities surrounded by normal-conducting solenoids. The diagnostics design is also introduced, including monitors of charge, energy spectrum and bunch by bunch longitudinal profile simultaneously for secondary e+ and e-. The last chapter of the text overviews the currently ongoing installation at SwissFEL, including the beam transfer line, RF network, radiation protection and other relevant activities towards the operation with e+ in the coming years.

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