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Development of the superconducting HWR cavities for NICA project

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Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility (NICA) is an accelerator complex under construction in JINR, in which superconducting linac-injector can accelerate protons up to 20 MeV and light ions to 7.5 MeV/u. To achieve this design target, a 325 MHz, beta = 0.21 niobium half-wave resonator (HWR) called HWR1 was developed jointly by IMP and JINR. This paper optimizes the electromagnetic design of NICA cavity, designs the mechanical structure (including helium jacket) and gives the results of multi-physical studies. Simulation results show that Epk/Eacc = 6.29, the coefficients of df/dp and LFD are $4.96 \, \text{Hz/mbar}$ and $-1.28 \, \text{Hz/(MV/m)}^2$, respectively. In addition, the niobium cavity has been fabricated and vertically tested, the magnetic shield and helium jacket are in the process of electron beam welding, and the cryomodule will be assembled in the next 1^2 months.

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