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## Electron Ion Collider and its relation to HEP

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The Electron-Ion-Collider (EIC) has been approved as a DOE project last year and is planned to be operational in the 2030s. It is, currently, the only new major accelerator and collider that any agency in the world is planning to build; and the first major facility of its kind in US since RHIC. It is a collider which is built primarily to answer Nuclear Physics questions. However, the EIC is a Deep Inelastic Scattering collider operating at high-energies that will probe the structure of the proton as well as QCD, and will operate concurrently with HL-LHC. High polarization planned for both the proton (and light hadron) beams as well as the electron beams will mean exploration of uncharted territory. There is already some theoretical interest from the HEP community. Is there a case for HEP experimentalists to get involved?