

ANNIE

Accelerator Neutrino Neutron Interaction Experiment

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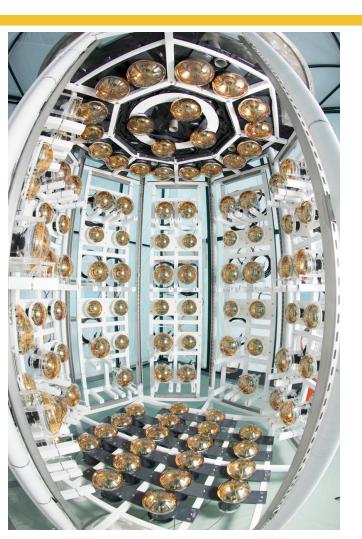
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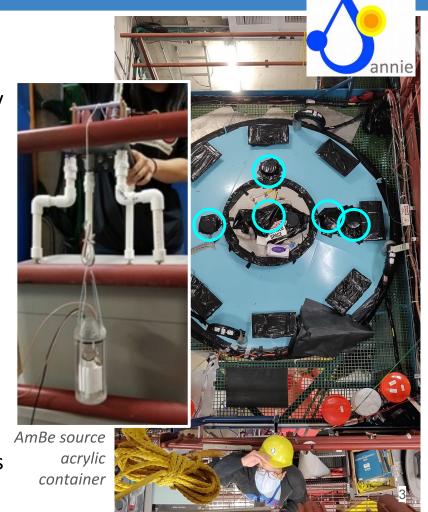
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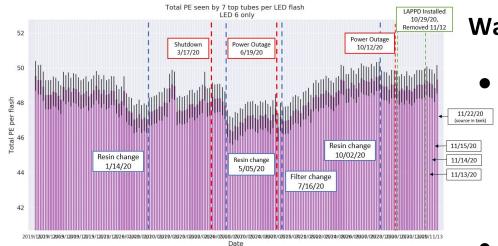


- Began AmBe source calibration campaign
- Monitoring water transparency and taking cosmic data whenever possible
- LAPPD characterization tests are still ongoing
 - ORC walkthrough for the new additions to the test stand completed
- Picked up repaired VME crate → another spare
 - Now have 2 spare crates
- Experiments Operation Plan (EOP) is under review for final approval
 - Final revision to be submitted shortly
- Preparation for active shifts is underway

AmBe Source Calibration

- Goal: Measure the neutron capture efficiency and background at various locations in the ANNIE detector
- AmBe source + BGO crystal in an acrylic vessel, with 2 SiPMs mounted inside
- Two "stages"
 - With source deploy container at each port, at different heights (2-3 position changes per day → 2 weeks [Nov 13-Nov 28])
 - Without source deploy container at each port at a single height (which varies by port → 1 week [Nov 29-Dec 6])



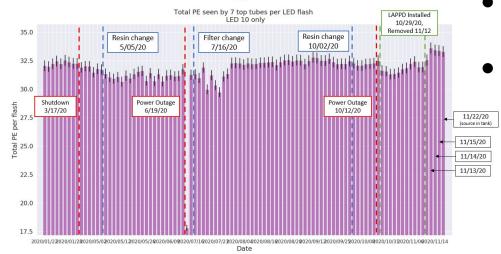


Water Transparency: Still Stable!



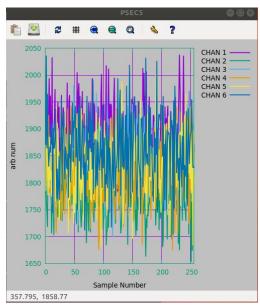
Since the calibration campaign is ongoing, water transparency (LED) and cosmic data runs have been put on hold. Last transparency plots before campaign are to the left.

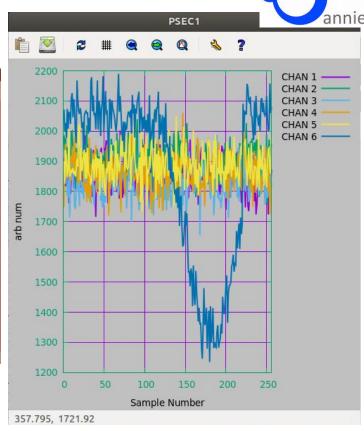
LED and cosmic data runs will resume once this calibration campaign is over. Conductivity, water flow and temperature, hall humidity and temperature, and pH are still stable and behave as expected.



LAPPD Characterization at Lab 6

- Installed software to read out LAPPD waveforms
- Successful readout!
- Next steps:
 - Refine software
 - Move on to gain and timing measurements
- ORC walkthrough for breakout box, LVHV board enclosure, etc., completed → full system integration testing approved





Beam Readiness & Shifts



- Once calibration campaign is completed, ANNIE will run in "beam mode"
- Checklist shifts will be performed remotely
 - Day: US (mostly Central)
 - Swing: US (mostly Central & Pacific)
 - Night: Europe (mostly Germany)

- For the Main Control Room (MCR), ANNIE's plan (approved) is to provide 2 Run Coordinator (RC) numbers for when input for the beam is needed
 - 9am 9pm: RC in US
 - 9pm 8am: RC in Europe