

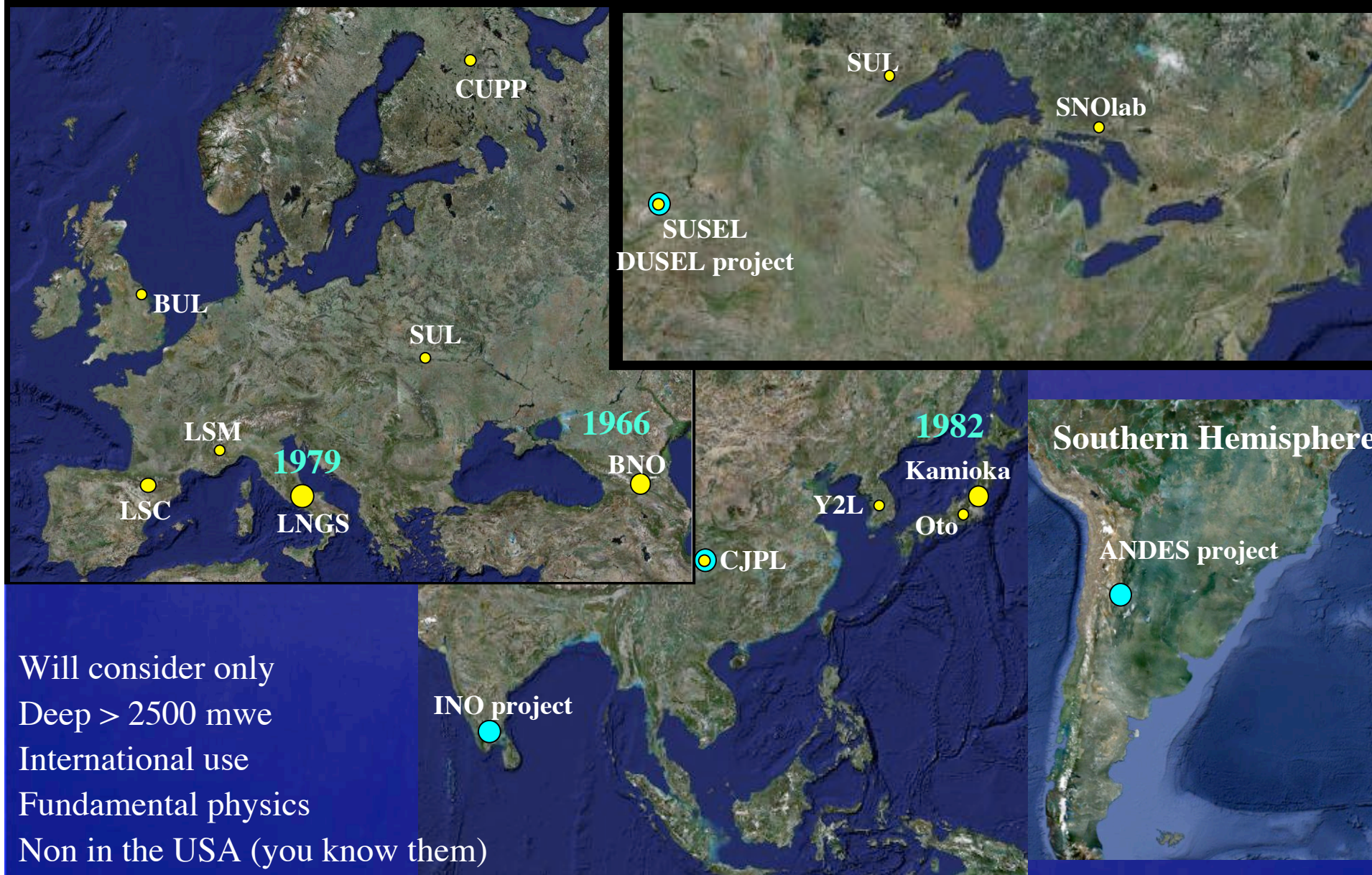
**DuRA 2012 Meeting**  
**Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory**  
Batavia, Illinois – USA  
January 19-2- 2012

*The World Underground Physics Laboratories*

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# *The sites*



Will consider only  
Deep > 2500 mwe  
International use  
Fundamental physics  
Non in the USA (you know them)



# *Tiny signals. Go underground*

## Physics beyond the Standard Model

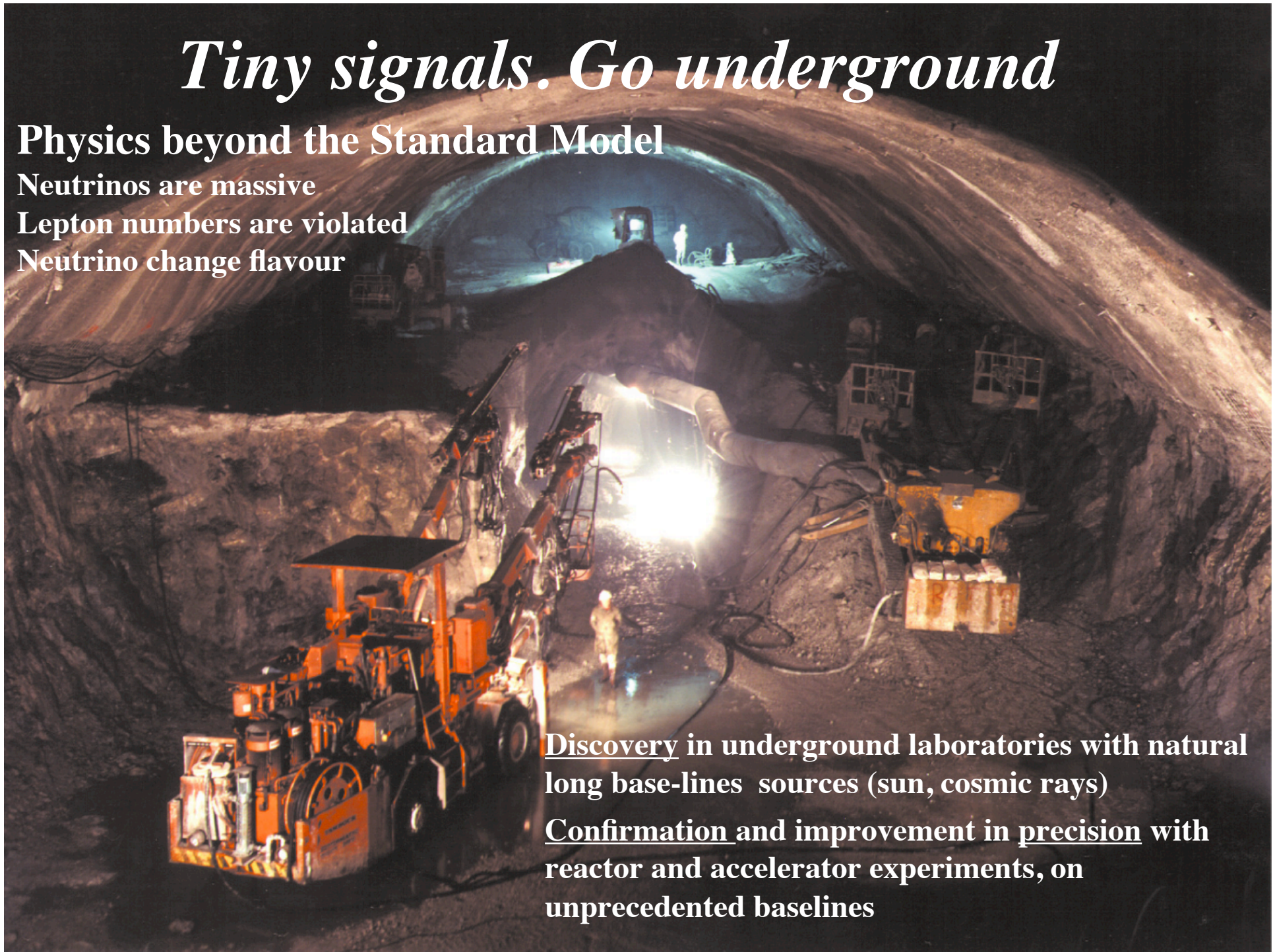
Neutrinos are massive

Lepton numbers are violated

Neutrino change flavour

Discovery in underground laboratories with natural long base-lines sources (sun, cosmic rays)

Confirmation and improvement in precision with reactor and accelerator experiments, on unprecedented baselines





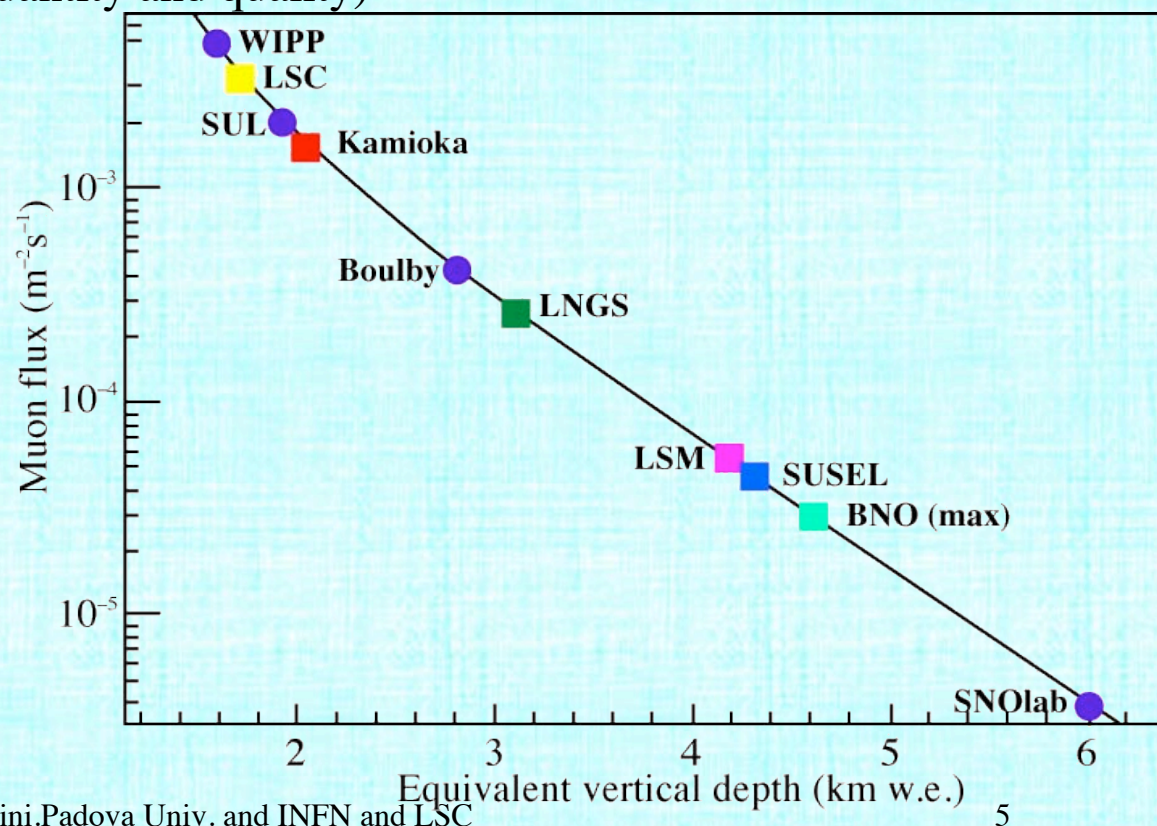
# *Physics in Underground Laboratories*

- **Proton decay**
- **Atmospheric neutrinos**
  - **Oscillations (neutrinos have a mass, neutrinos change family)**
- **Solar neutrinos**
  - **Oscillations and matter effects (neutrinos have a mass, neutrinos change family)**
  - **Solar physics**
- **Are neutrinos and antineutrinos the same particle?(double beta decay)**
- **Masses of neutrinos**
- **Neutrinos from accelerators**
  - **Oscillations, CP violation in the lepton sector**
- **Neutrinos from nuclear reactors**
  - **Oscillations**
- **Neutrinos from Earth (what powers the Earth heat? $\approx 30$  TW)**
- **Neutrinos from supernova explosions**
- **Relic supernovae neutrinos**
- **Dark matter - Direct search of WIMPs**
- **Nuclear astrophysics**



# Characteristics of Underground Laboratories

- Depth ( $\mu$  flux, spallation  $n$  flux)
  - Determines only a fraction of the background sources
  - Maximum cavity size decreases with increasing depth, costs increase, rock bursts risk increases
- Diameter & height of the halls
  - May limit the thickness of the shields (water tanks)
  - Depends on rock quality and depth
- Horizontal vs. vertical access (vertical more expensive and risky)
- Support infrastructures, personnel (quantity and quality)
- Underground area allocation policy, turnover of experiments
  - Scientific Committee: international vs. local (or national)
- Degree of internationality of the community
- Other science (geology, biology, engineering, etc.)





# *The experimental challenge. DBD*

Events per ton per year

KDKC claim  
 $M_{ee}=500$  meV

Ge enrich. (85%)	TeO <sub>2</sub> natural	Xe enrich. (85%)
360	250	350

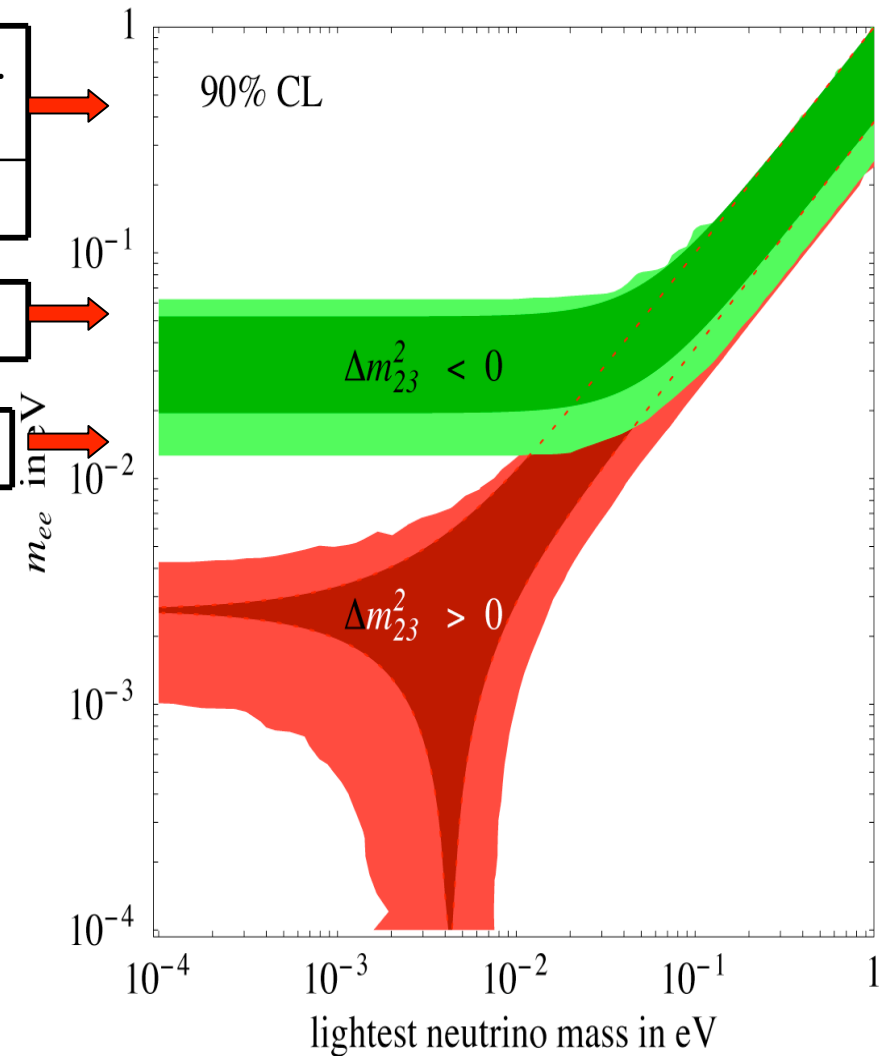
$M_{ee}=50$  meV

3.6	2.5	3.5
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$M_{ee}=15$  meV

0.4	0.25	0.4
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Reaching 50 meV requires reducing background index by 2 or 3 orders of magnitudes





# Shielding ambient radioactivity with H<sub>2</sub>O

$\gamma$  flux from U, Th, K =  $0.5 \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  @ LNGS, almost depth independent

n flux from U, Th, K =  $3.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  @ LNGS, almost depth independent

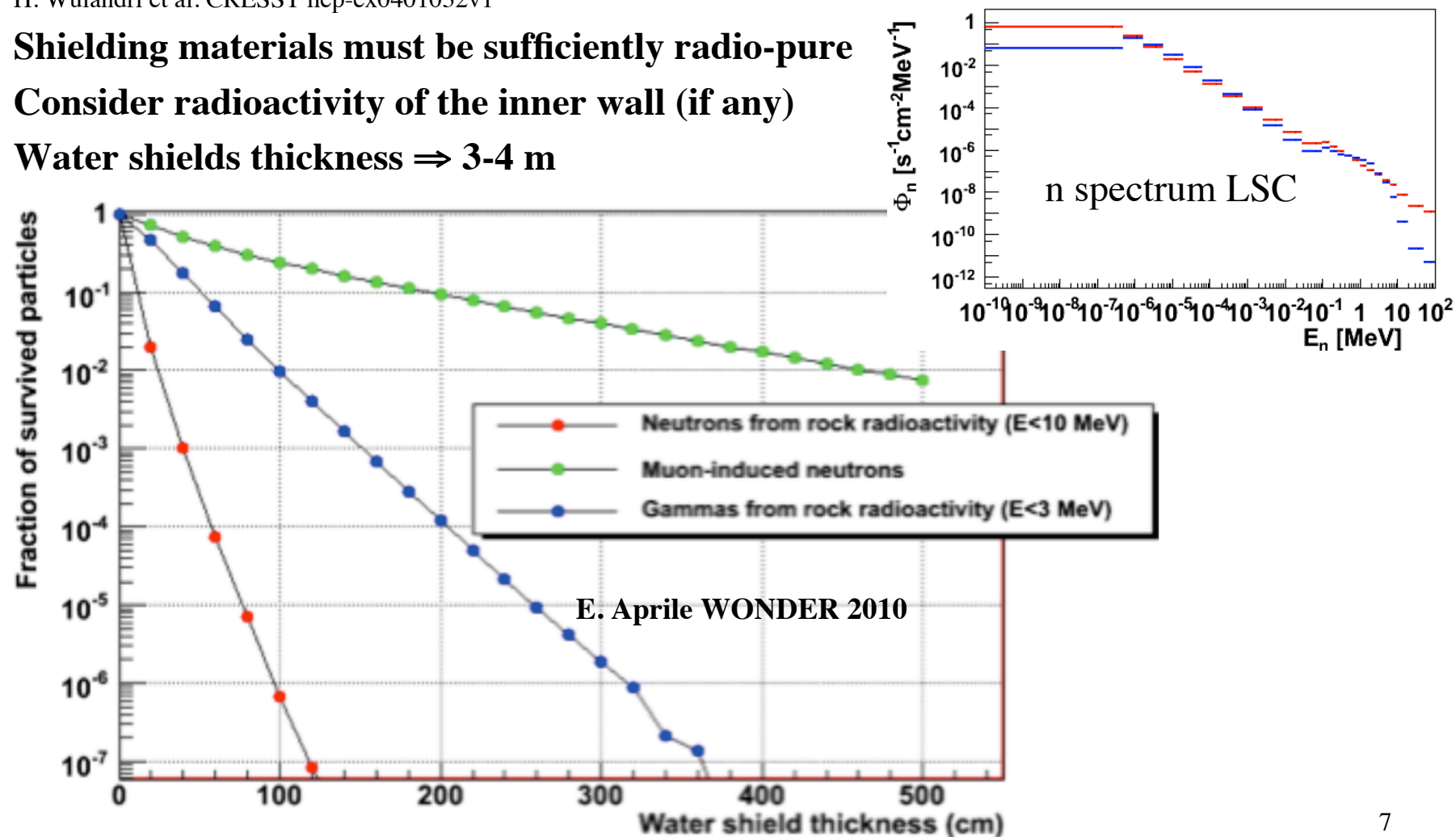
n flux  $\mu$ -induced in rocks  $\approx 8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  @ LNGS, depth **dependent** ( $\approx \times 10$  @ LSC)

H. Wulandri et al. CRESST hep-ex0401032v1

**Shielding materials must be sufficiently radio-pure**

**Consider radioactivity of the inner wall (if any)**

**Water shields thickness  $\Rightarrow$  3-4 m**





# *GERDA Water tank*

Designed for external  
 $\gamma, n, \mu$  background  
 $\sim 10^{-4}$  cts/(keV kg y)

$\varnothing$  10 m

H = 9.5 m

V = 650 m<sup>3</sup>



January 20, 12



# ***BOREXINO - Detector layout***

$$\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$$

**Graded shielding principle**

## **Scintillator:**

270 t PC+PPO in a 125  $\mu\text{m}$   
thick nylon vessel  
Inner 100 t: fid. vol.

## **Nylon vessels:**

Inner:  $R=4.25\text{ m}$   
Outer:  $R=5.50\text{ m}$

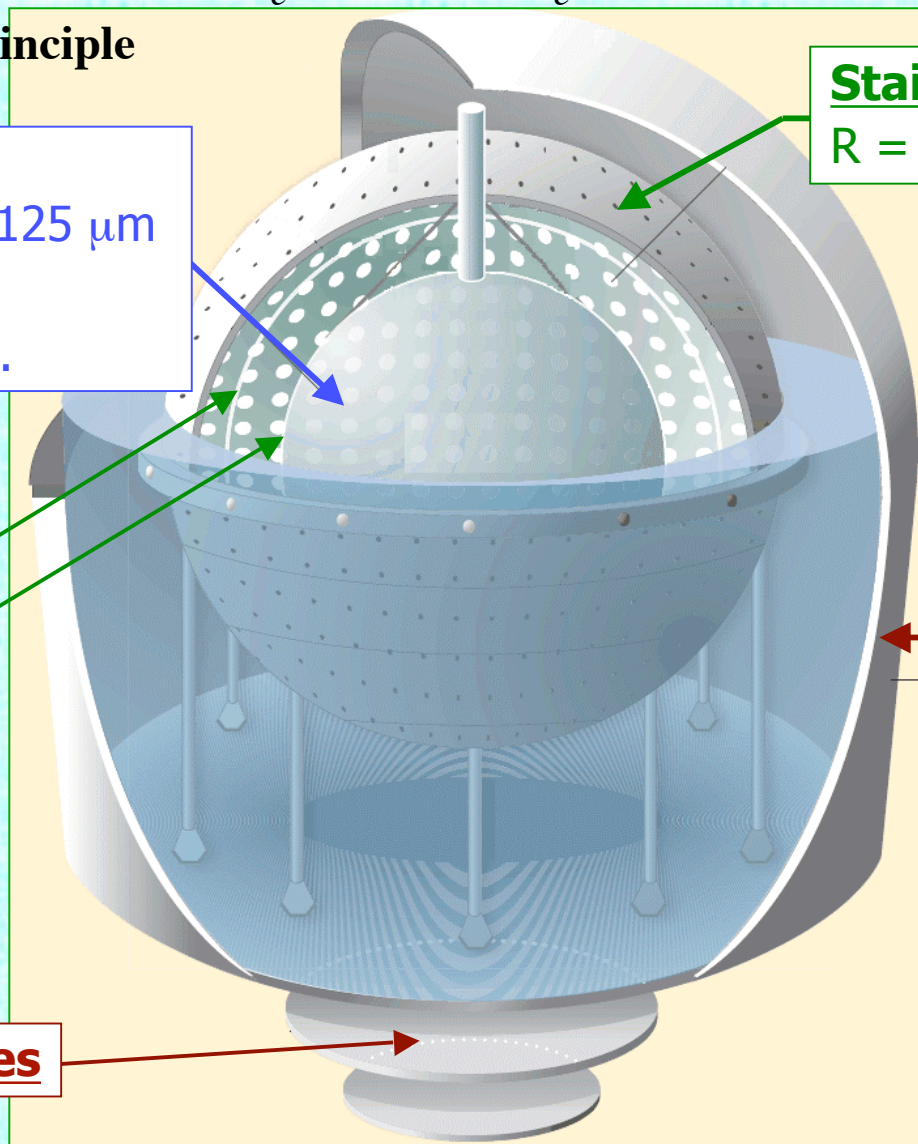
## **Stainless Steel Sphere:**

$R = 6.9\text{ m}$   $V=1350\text{ m}^3$

## **Water Tank:**

$\gamma$  and  $n$  shield  
 $\mu$  water Ch detector  
 $R=9\text{ m}$   
 $2100\text{ m}^3$

## **Carbon steel plates**





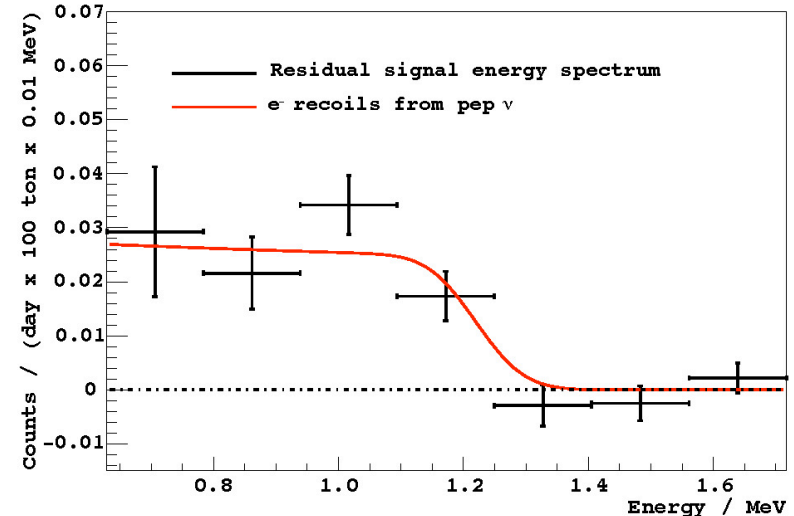
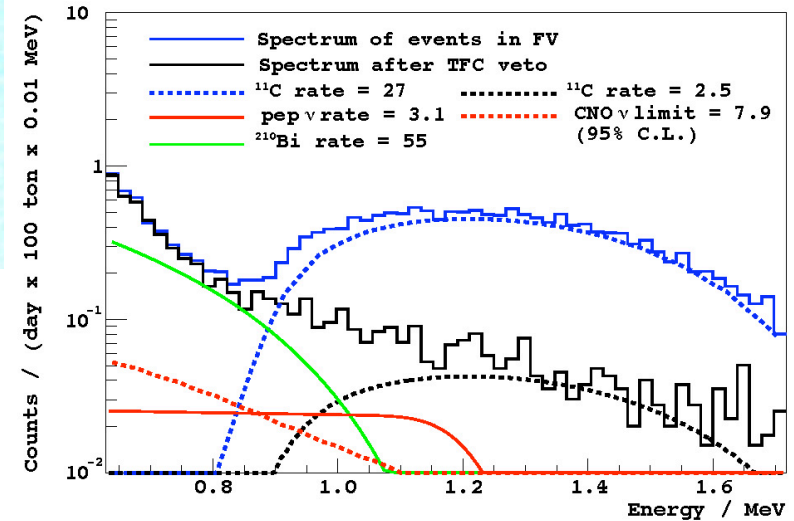
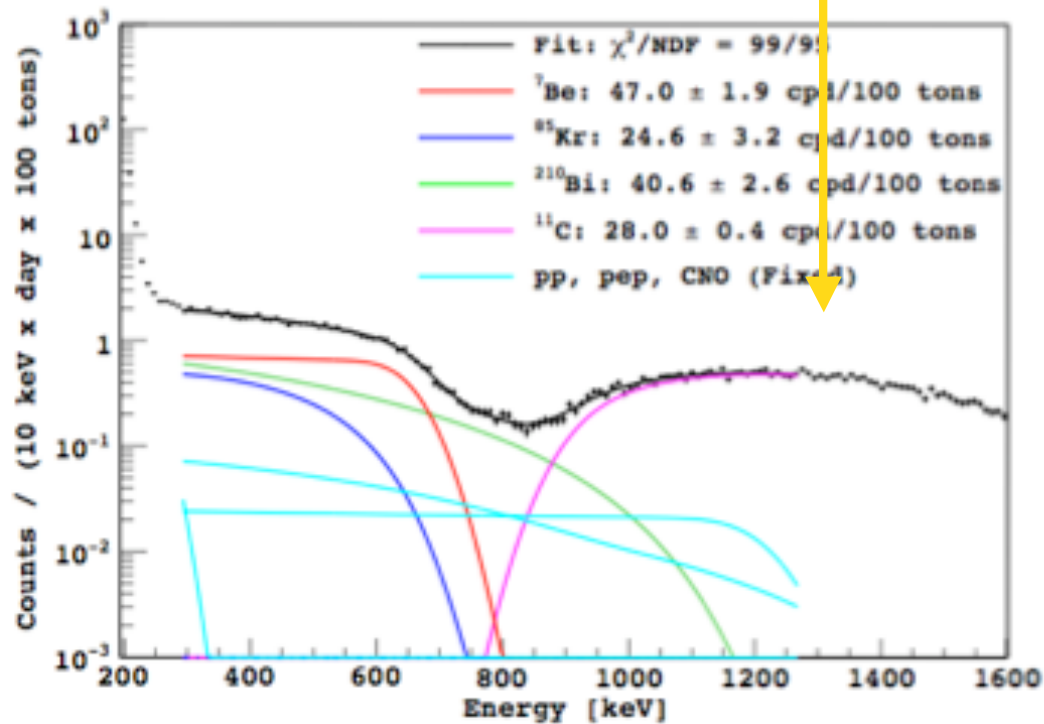
# BOREXINO

## *a cosmogenic background*

$$\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$$

Cosmogenic in situ  $^{11}\text{C}$

@ LNGS depth suppression by off-line analysis needed



BOREXINO 1110.3230v1



# ***Gran Sasso Laboratory. Italy***

**The largest underground laboratory**  
**The largest scientific community**

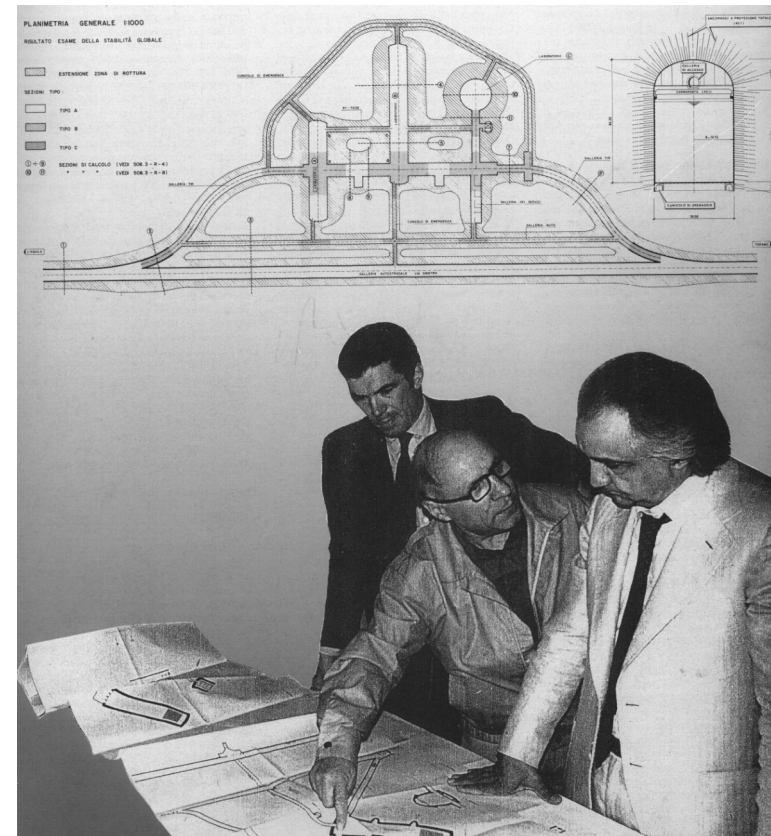
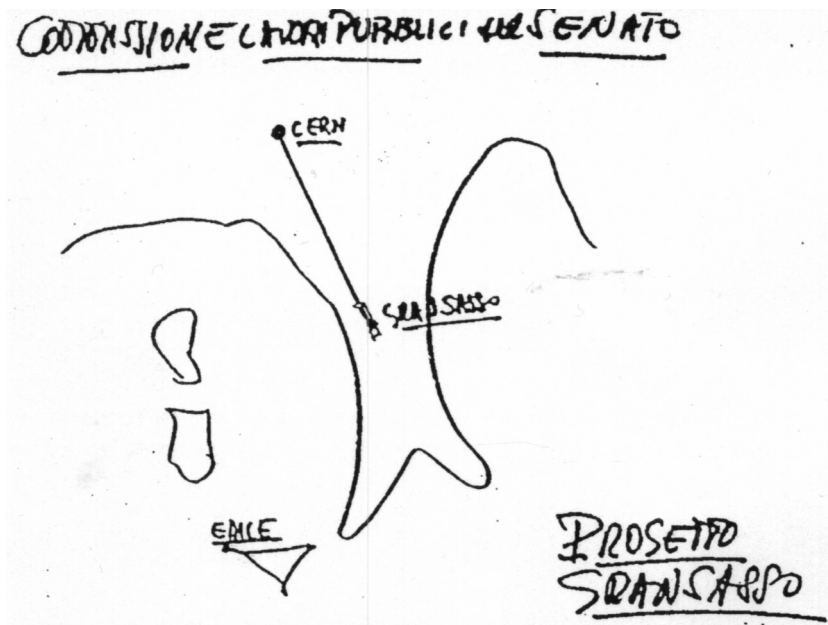




# INFN Gran Sasso National Laboratory

**1979** A. Zichichi proposes to the Parliament to build a large underground laboratory close to the Gran Sasso freeway tunnel, under construction

**1982** the Parliament approves the construction, finished in **1987**





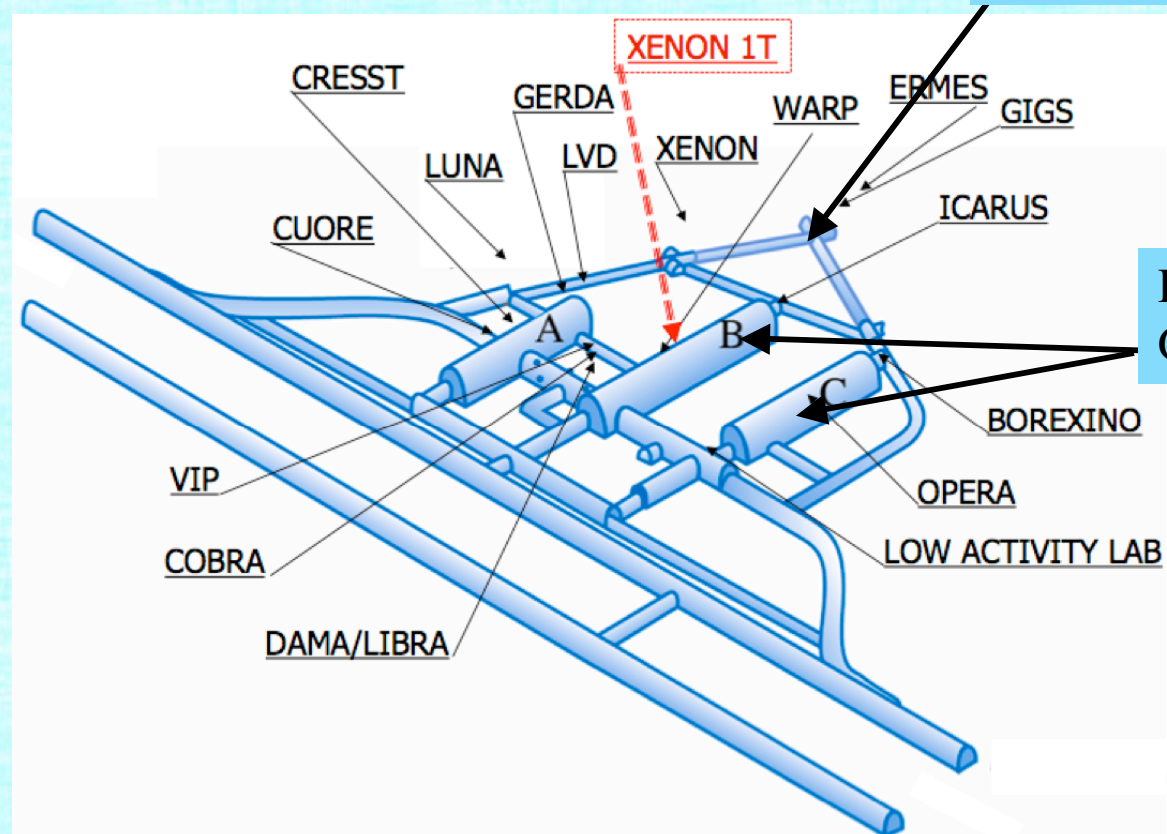
# INFN-LNGS



- 1400 m rock overburden (3.2 km w.e.)
- $n$  flux =  $3.8 \pm 0.3 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (spectrum measured)
- $\mu$  flux =  $3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (angular dependence measured)
- $\gamma$  flux =  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Volume  $180\,000 \text{ m}^3$ , area  $17\,300 \text{ m}^2$
- Radon in air 50-80 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>
- Drive in to the experiments
- Staff = 82 permanent + 19. Users = 960



# LNGS Experiments



Experiments are approved with a defined duration to allow turnover of the underground space  
 Large pieces of apparatus can be moved in (ICARUS module  $4 \times 4 \times 20 \text{ m}^3$ ). [Only one entrance]  
 Cost  $\approx 96 \text{ M€ } 2011$  + surface structures (Access tunnel  $L=5\text{km}$ ,  $D=6.5 \text{ m}$ ; cost  $\approx 70 \text{ M€ } 2011$ )  
 Running costs=  $15 \text{ M€ } /y$ .



# *LSC. Surface Laboratories*

**Headquarters & Administration**  
**Safety and Quality Assurance**  
**16 offices for scientific users**  
**7 offices for LSC personnel**  
**4 specialised laboratories**

**Useful area = 1800 m<sup>2</sup>**

**Cost = 3 M €**

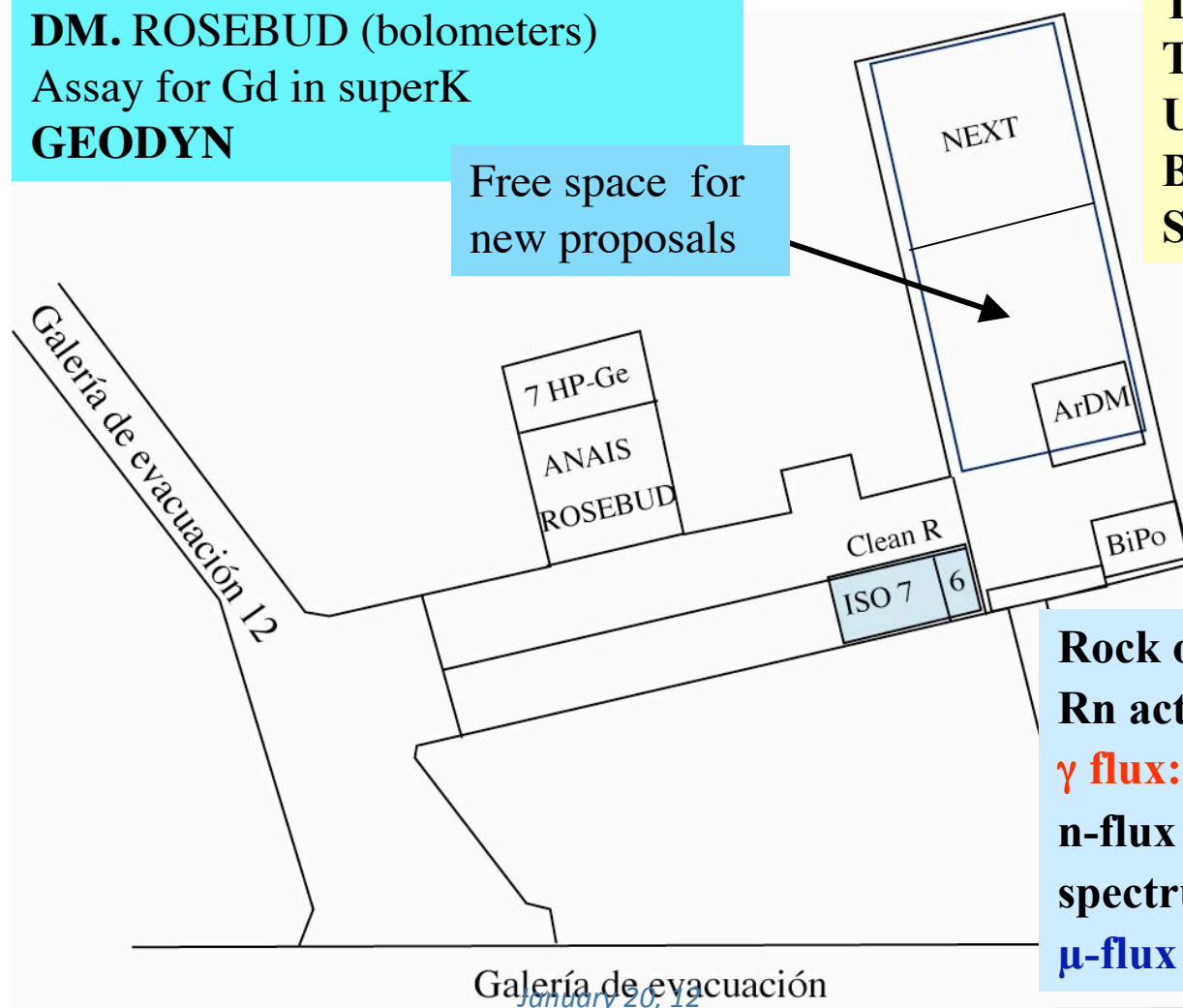
**Mechanical workshop**  
**Storage room**  
**Meeting room**  
**Library**  
**Conference room**  
**Exhibitions room**  
**2 apartments**



# *LSC. Spain. Underground structures*

**DBD. NEXT** (Xe gas TPC)  
**DBD. BiPo**, ancillary to SNemo  
**DM. ArDM** (LAr TPC)  
**DM. ANAIS** (NaI modulation)  
**DM. ROSEBUD** (bolometers)  
Assay for Gd in superK  
**GEODYN**

Not in this map:  
“old” LSC 120 m<sup>2</sup> (**Lab 2500**)  
two halls of about 18 m<sup>2</sup> (**Lab 780**)  
**Total area 1560 m<sup>2</sup>**  
**Total volume 10500 m<sup>3</sup>**  
**Users 214**  
**Budget 1.6 M€/year**  
**Staff=12**



**Rock overburden = 850 m (2.5 km we)**  
**Rn activity: 80-90 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>**  
 **$\gamma$  flux:  $1.23 \pm 0.17 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**   
**n-flux =  $3.60 \pm 0.08 \times 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$**   
**spectrum measured**  
 **$\mu$ -flux  $4.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$**

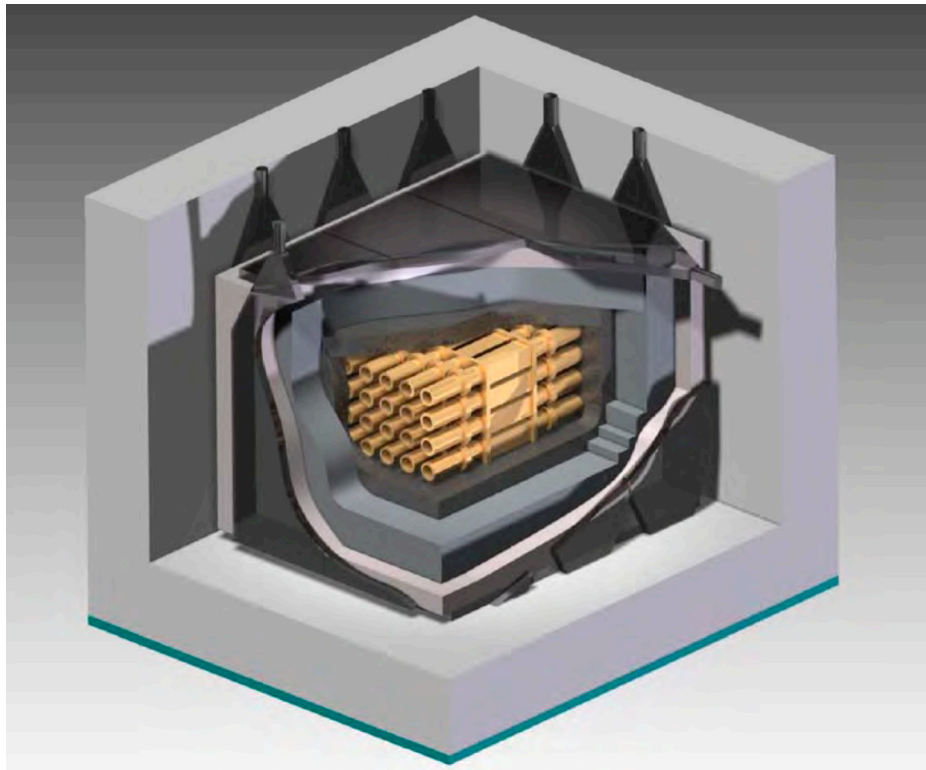


# AN AIS @ LSC

DAMA/LIBRA result is very important. It must be checked by an independent experiment

Comparison with experiments not looking for modulation is model dependent

**Do not discriminate electromagnetic signal**  
**Use NaI (same nuclei) crystals**  
**Look for annual modulation**

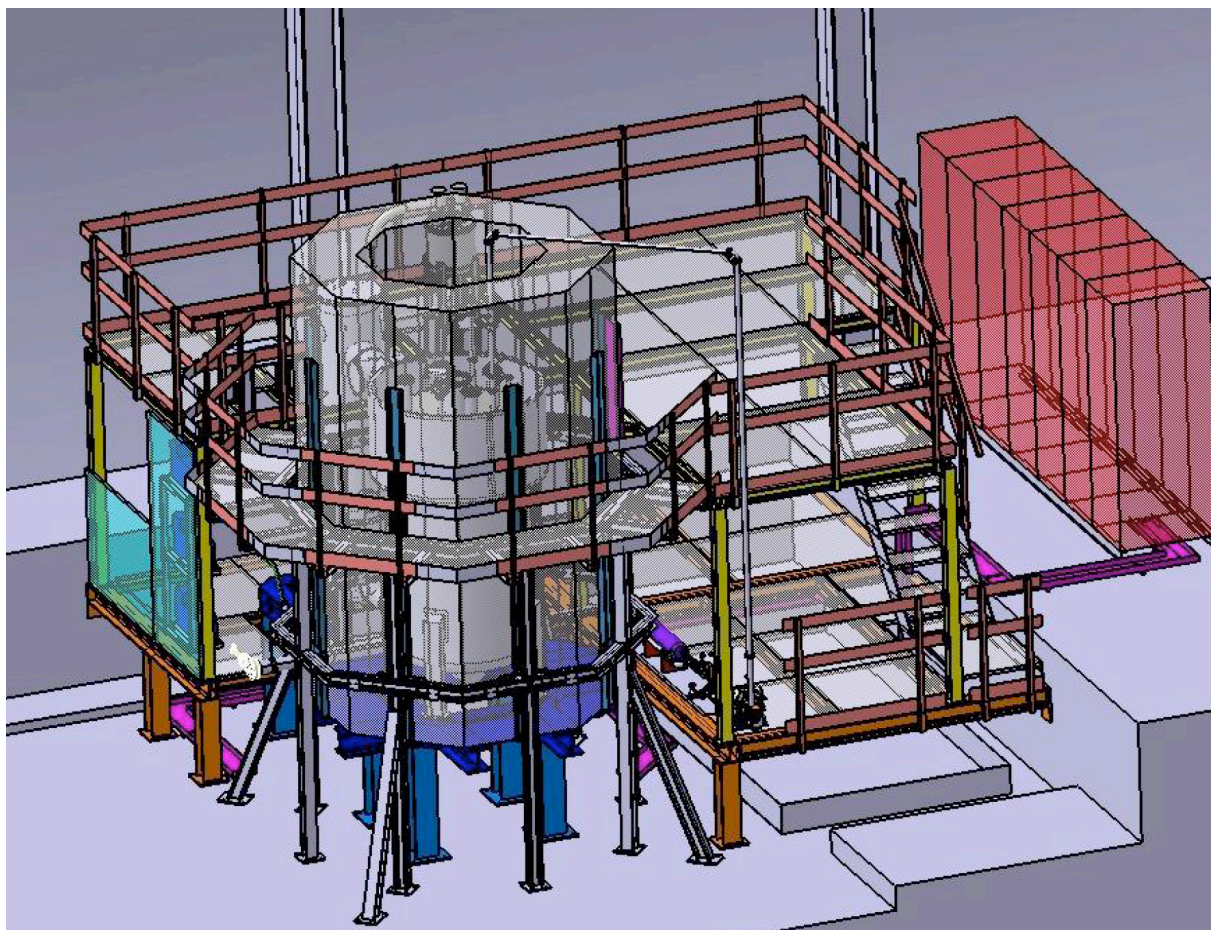


## AN AIS

- Develop technique for **250 kg** NaI(Tl) crystals
- $^{40}\text{K}$  DAMA **< 100 ppb** in powder.
  - **< 90 ppb** obtained
- **< 20 ppb** in crystal
  - Ingot produced. Detectors being cut
- Aim: assemble in 2012



# *ArDM 1 ton @ LSC*

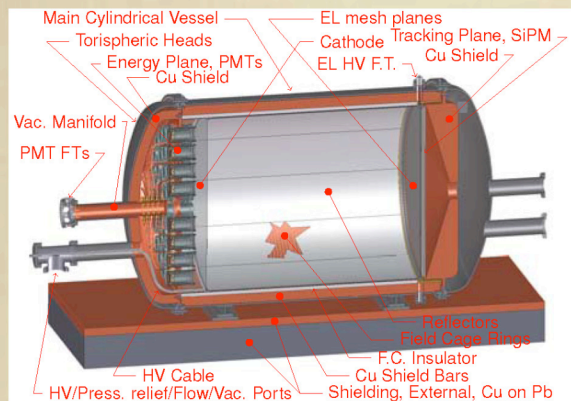


**To be installed in Hall A LSC in 2012**

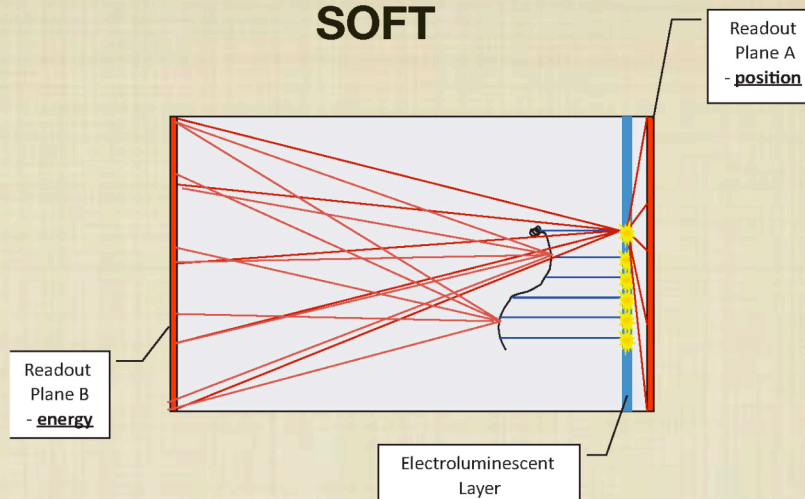


# NEXT DBD @ LSC

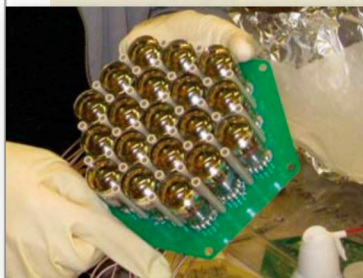
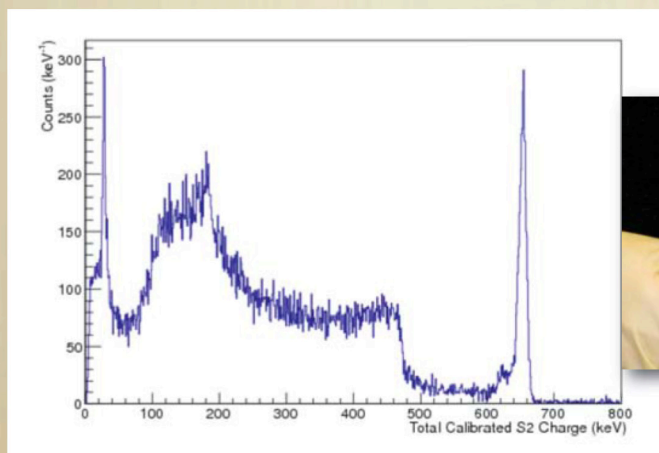
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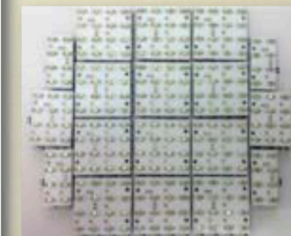
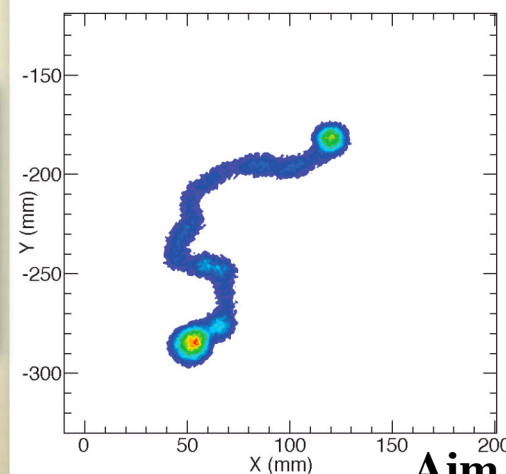
## SOFT



## Energy resolution



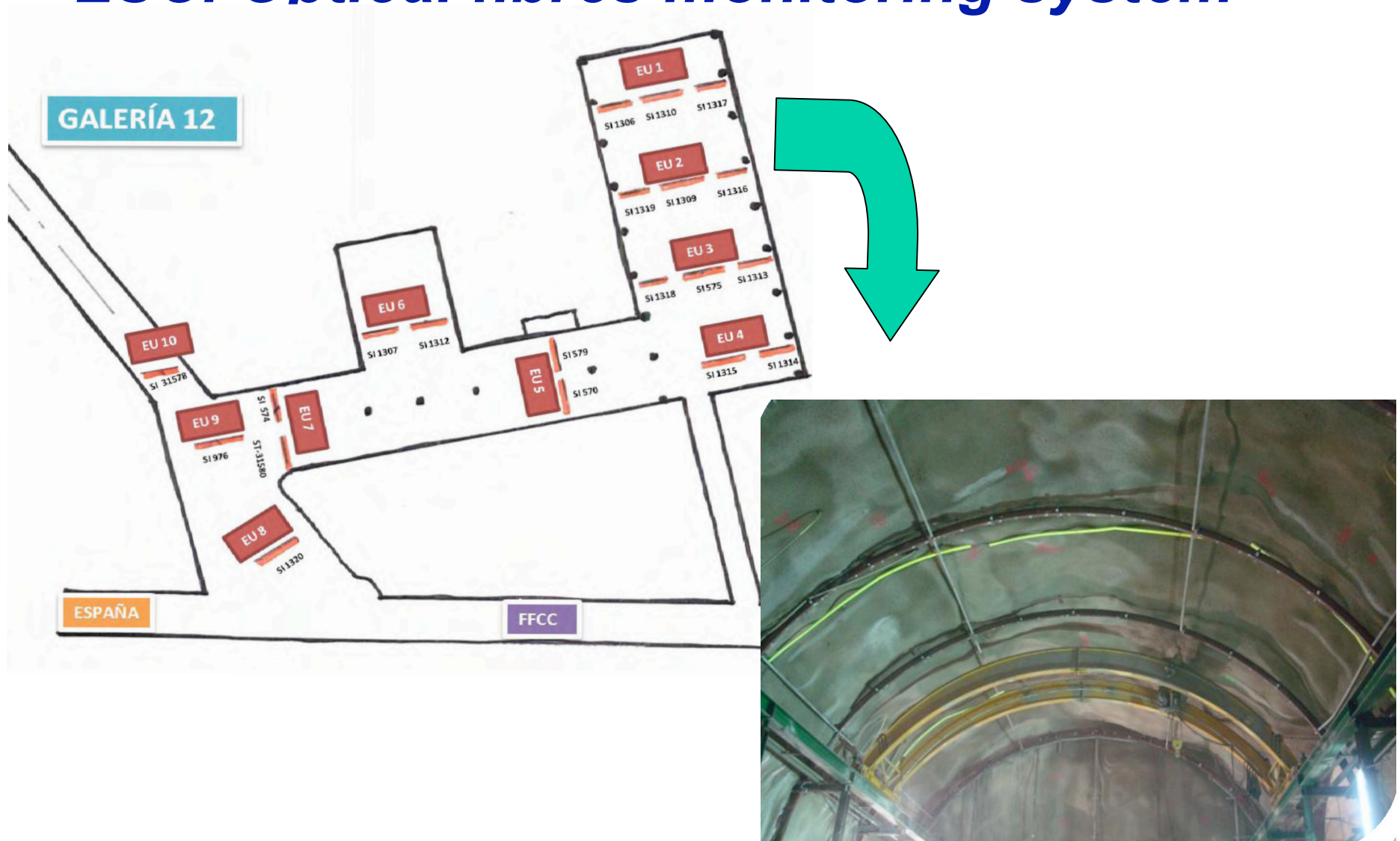
## Topological signature



**Aim installing in 2013**

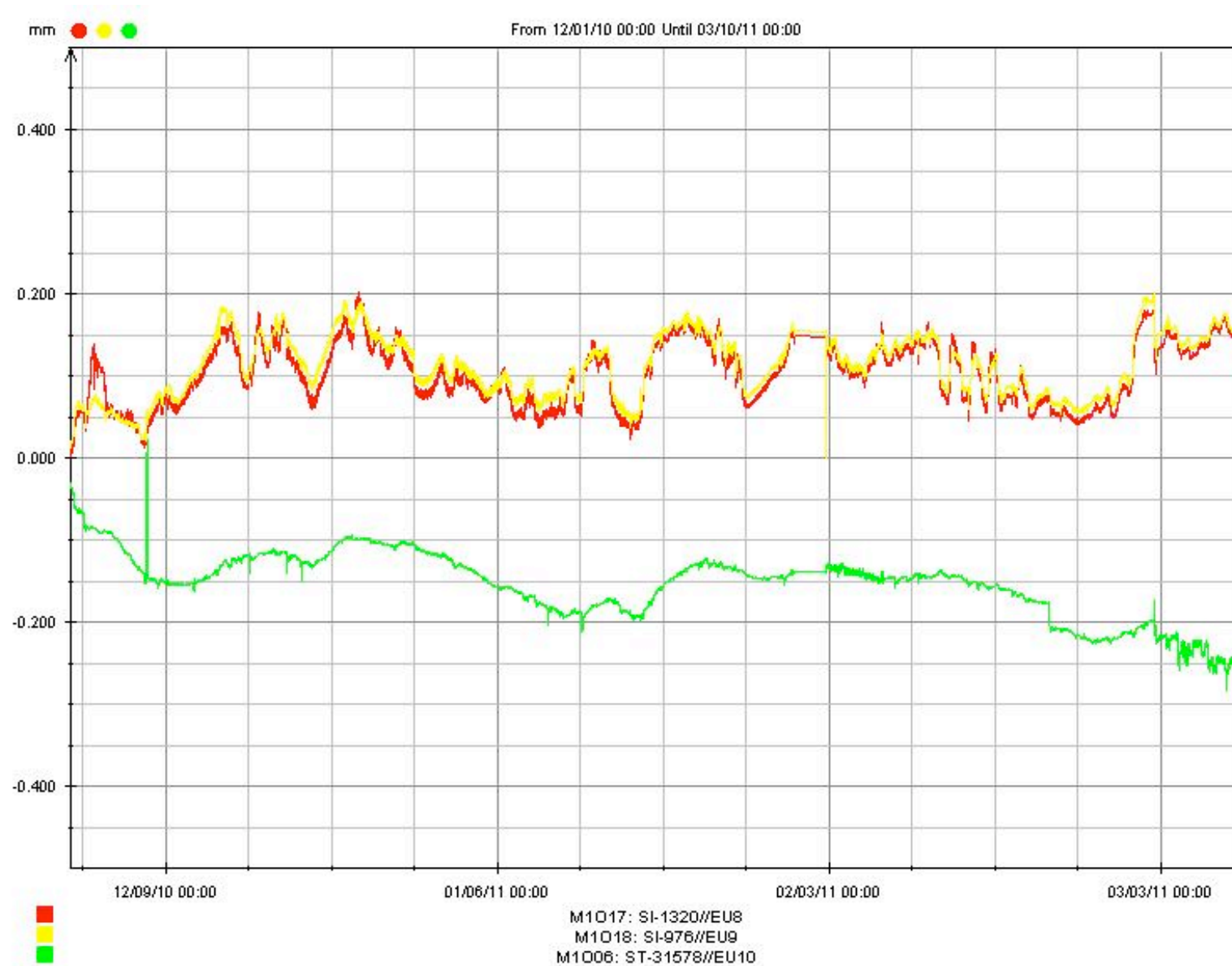


# ***LSC. Optical fibres monitoring system***



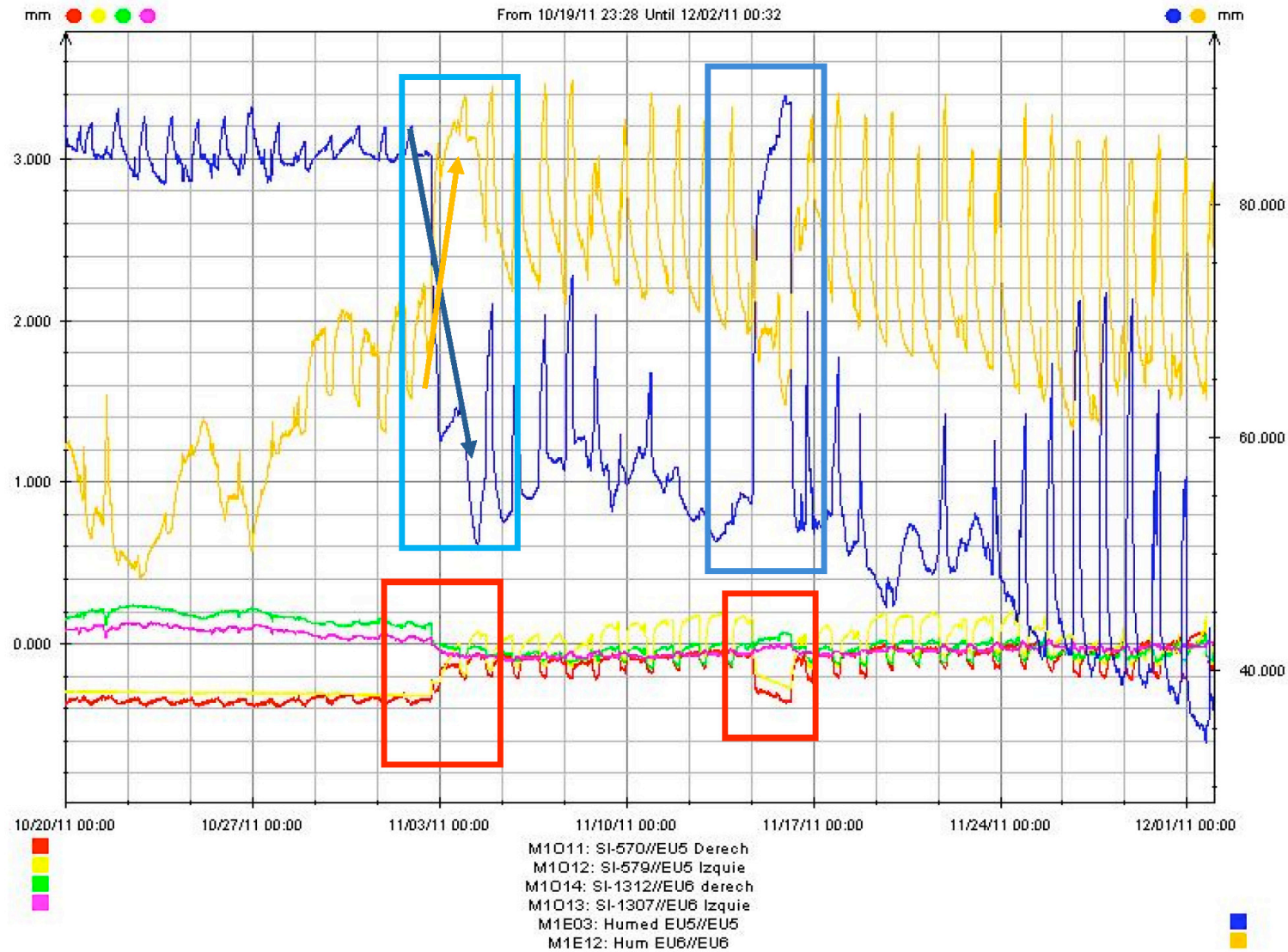


# Continuous convergence monitoring





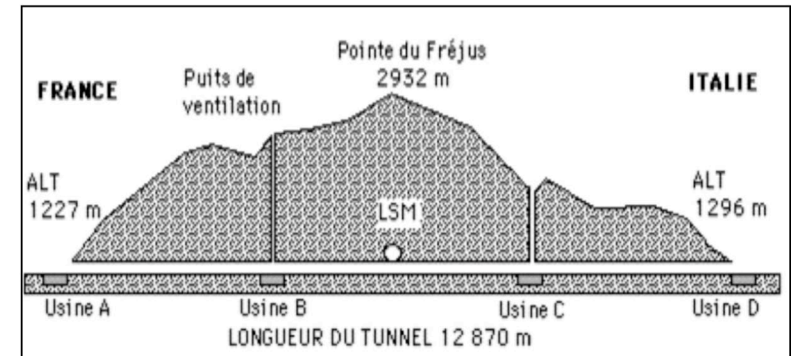
# *Sensitivity to humidity*





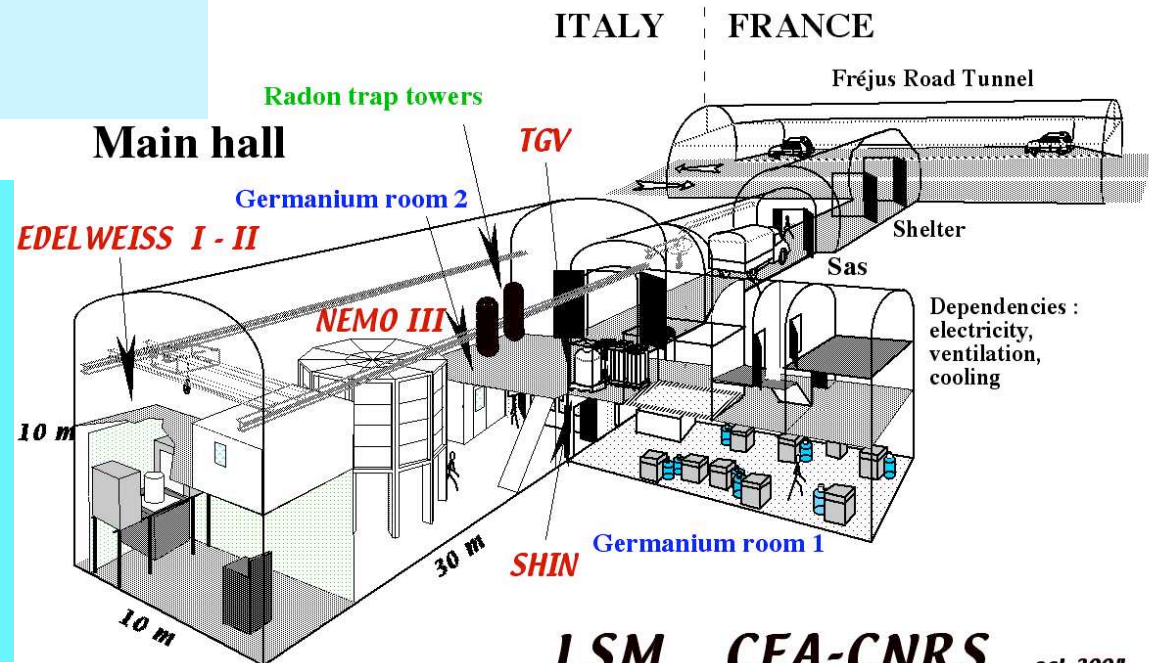
# Laboratoire Subterrain de Modane (LSM). France

- 1700 m rock overburden (4.8 km w.e.)
- Ventilation: one volume/40'
- Neutron flux =  $5.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $\mu$  flux =  $4.7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Radon 15 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>
- Underground area 400 m<sup>2</sup>
- Support facilities on the surface (250 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Horizontal access (freeway traffic)
- Staff = 11
- Budget 1.3 M€/year



## Science

**DBD. NEMO III** (tracking+calo)  
**DM EDELWEISS II** (Ge cryo)  
**Double electron capture TGV II**  
**Heavy elements SHIN**  
**TPC sphere**  
**BiPo 1 and 2**  
**Low radioactivity measurements**



LSM CEA-CNRS

oct 2004



## *Underground Laboratories. Extension Projects*

LSM. ULISSE one 100x20x20 m<sup>3</sup>  
& services (15 M€)

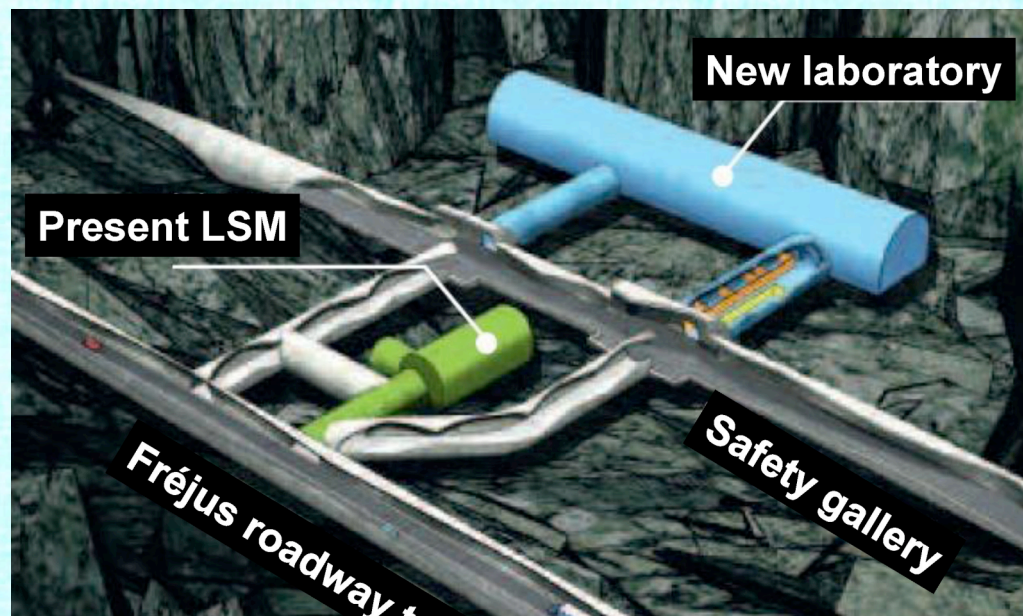
## Foreseen experiments

# SuperNEMO

# EURECA

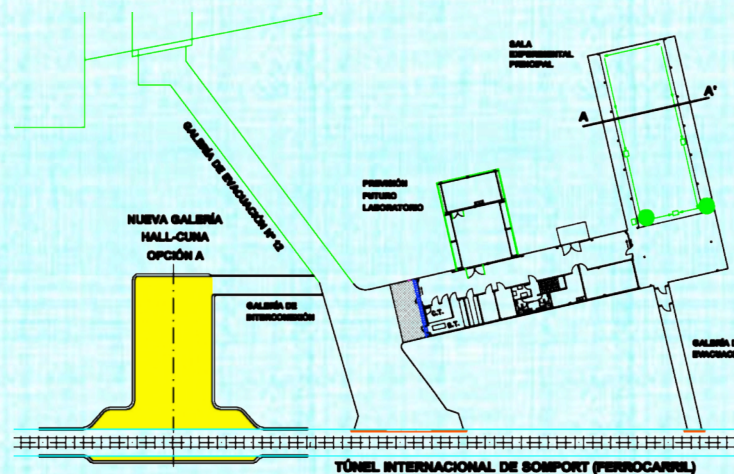
First funding request not approved

To be resubmitted



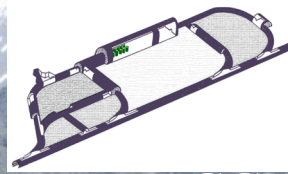
**LSC. CUNA dedicated to nuclear astrophysics facility complementary to LNGS (3 M€)**

Not completely funded





# Baksan Valley and Mt. Andyrchi



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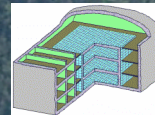
The oldest underground laboratory

“Andyrchy” EAS array



“Karpets-2”  
EAS array

BUST

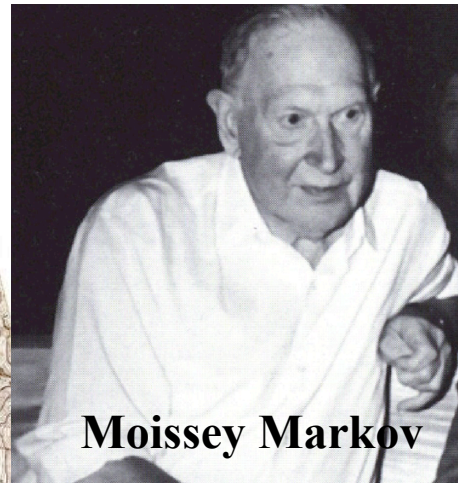
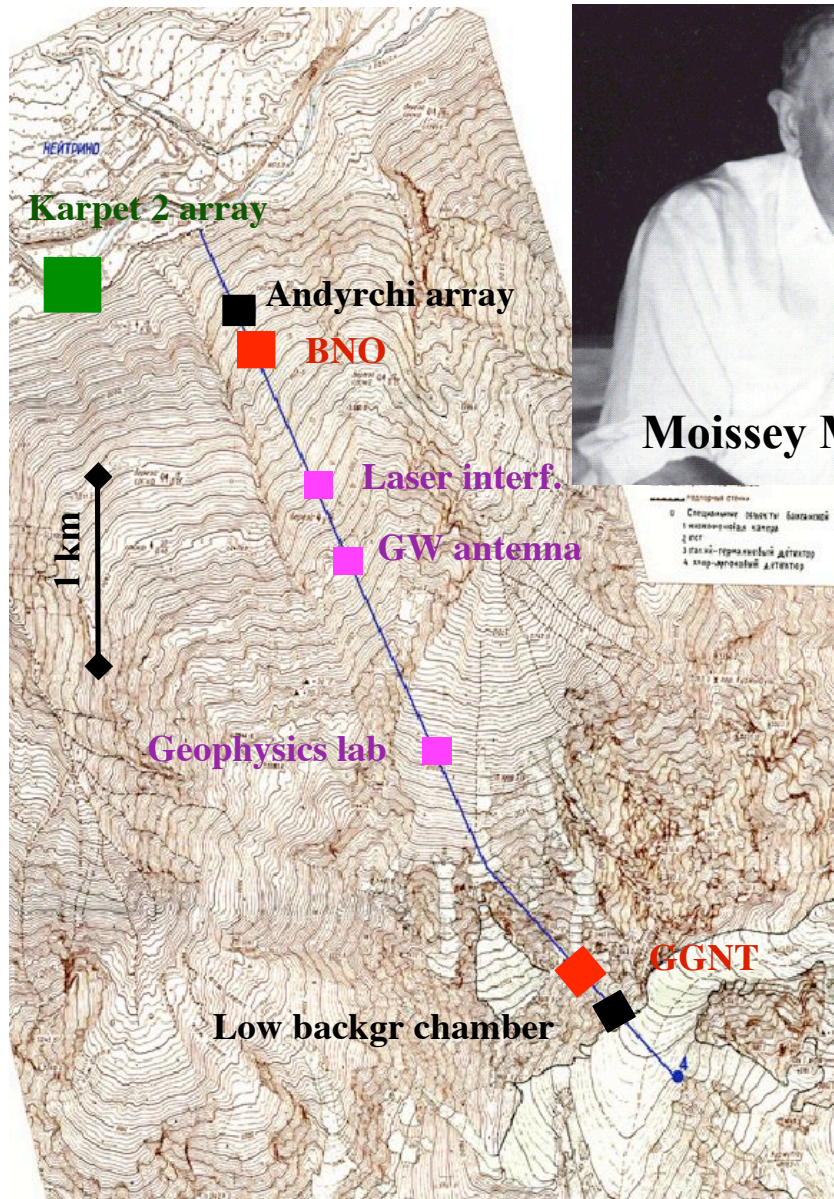


Tunnel entrance



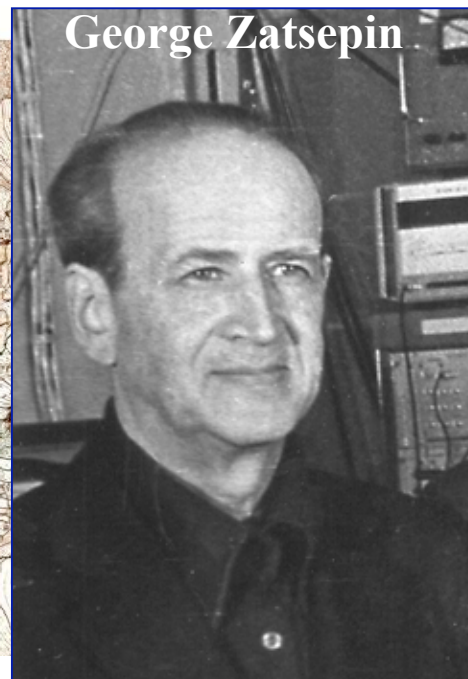


# Baksan Neutrino Observatory. The oldest



Moisey Markov

**1966.** Under the action of M. Markov, Head of the Physics Division, the Academy of Sciences of the USSR obtains a Decree of the Soviet Government for the construction of the underground and surface facilities (Neutrino village) Scientific activity started under the leadership of



George Zatsepin

and



Alexander Chudakov



# *Kamioka Observatory. The largest detector*

In 1983 M. Koshiba established the Kamioka Underground Observatory to host KamiokaNDE (NDE=Nucleon Decay Experiment later = Neutrino Detection Experiment)



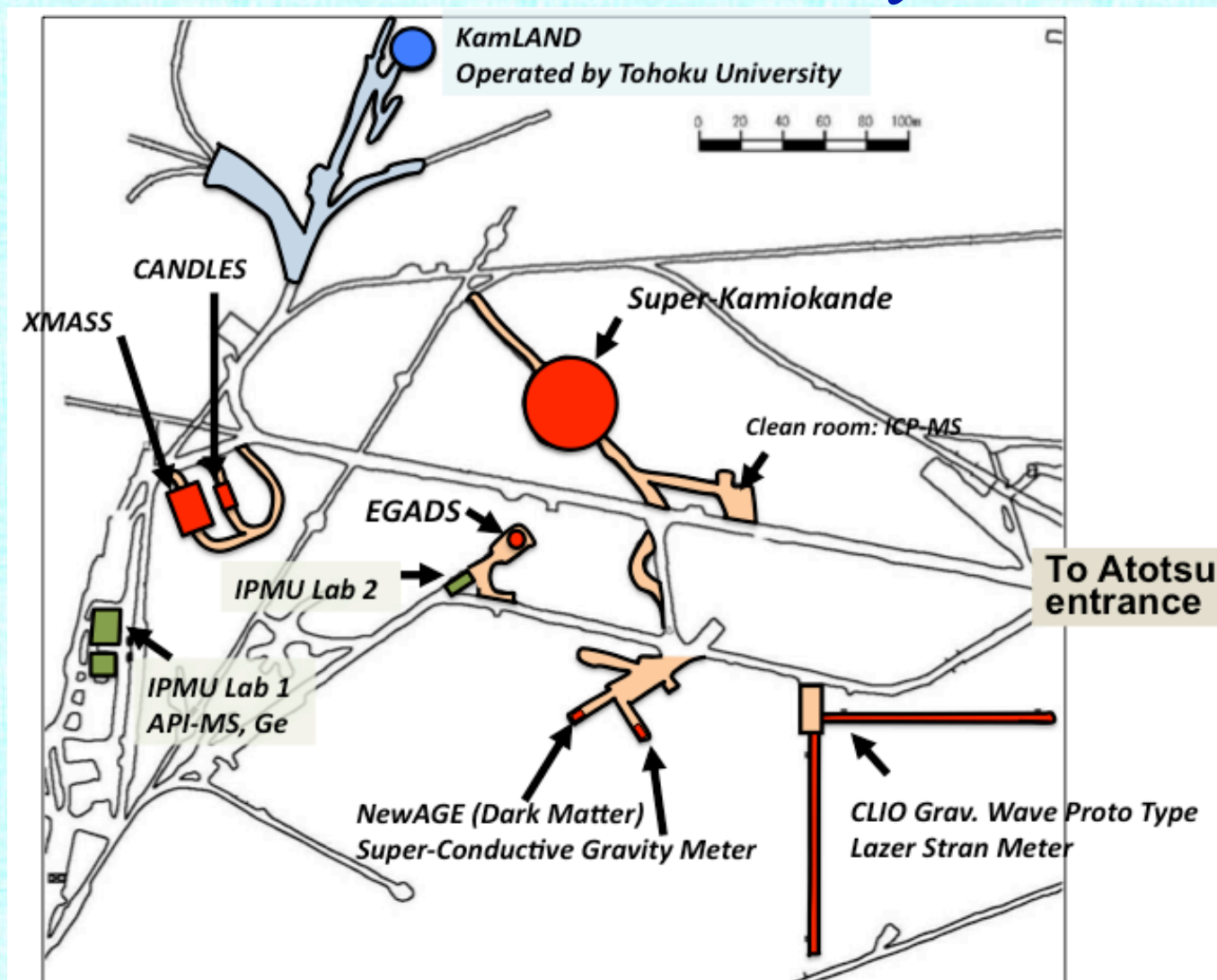
Masatoshi Koshiba

- Overburden 1000 m  $\approx$  2.7 km w.e.
- Horizontal access. Free h24
- $\mu$  flux:  $\phi_{\mu} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Radon: few Bq/m<sup>3</sup> (with ventilation)
- Neutrons: thermal =  $8.25 \pm 0.58 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
non thermal =  $11.5 \pm 1.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- Users >200+KAMland
- Building for offices and computer facilities on the surface
- Personnel: 13 scientists, 2 technical support
- Strategy: build new cavities when new experiments require so



# Kamioka Observatory



New experimental halls built as a function of the needs of new experiments  
Interference with ongoing experiments minimised by distance between halls



# *INO. India based Neutrino Observatory*

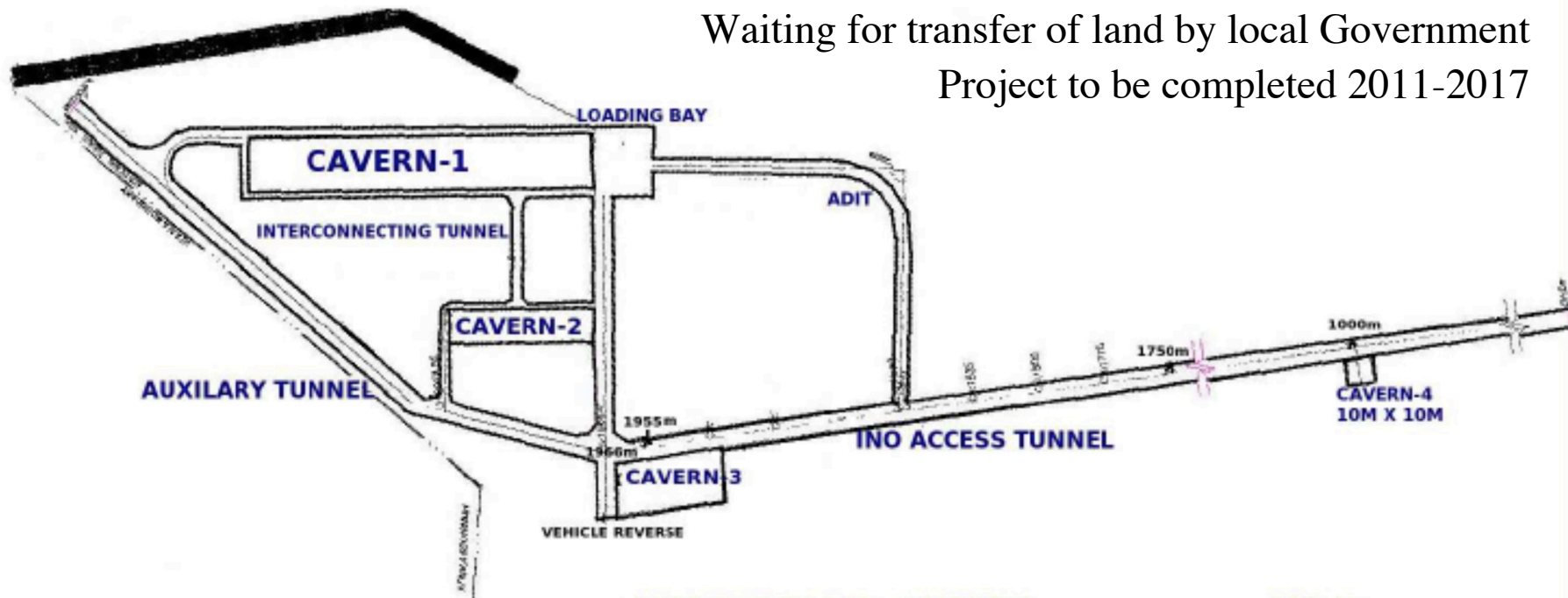
Build Underground and Surface structures

ICAL= 50 kt Magnetised Fe Calorimeter for atmospheric neutrinos

Environment and Forest clearances obtained

Waiting for transfer of land by local Government

Project to be completed 2011-2017



ACCESS TUNNEL 7.5m, 'D' SHAPED	:1966.0m
ADDITIONALLY DRIVEN INT. TUNNEL 5.5m 'D' SHAPED:	175.4m
AUXILIARY TUNNEL 7.5m 'D' SHAPED	: 224.6m
INTERCONNECTING TUNNEL 3.5m 'D' SHAPED	: 72.5m
ADDITIONAL TUNNEL 7.5m 'D' SHAPED (future expn)	: 50.0m

CAVERN -1	: 132m x 26M x 32.5m
CAVERN -2	: 55m x 12.5m x 8.6m
CAVERN -3	: 40m x 10m x 10m
CAVERN -4	: 10m x 10m x 10m

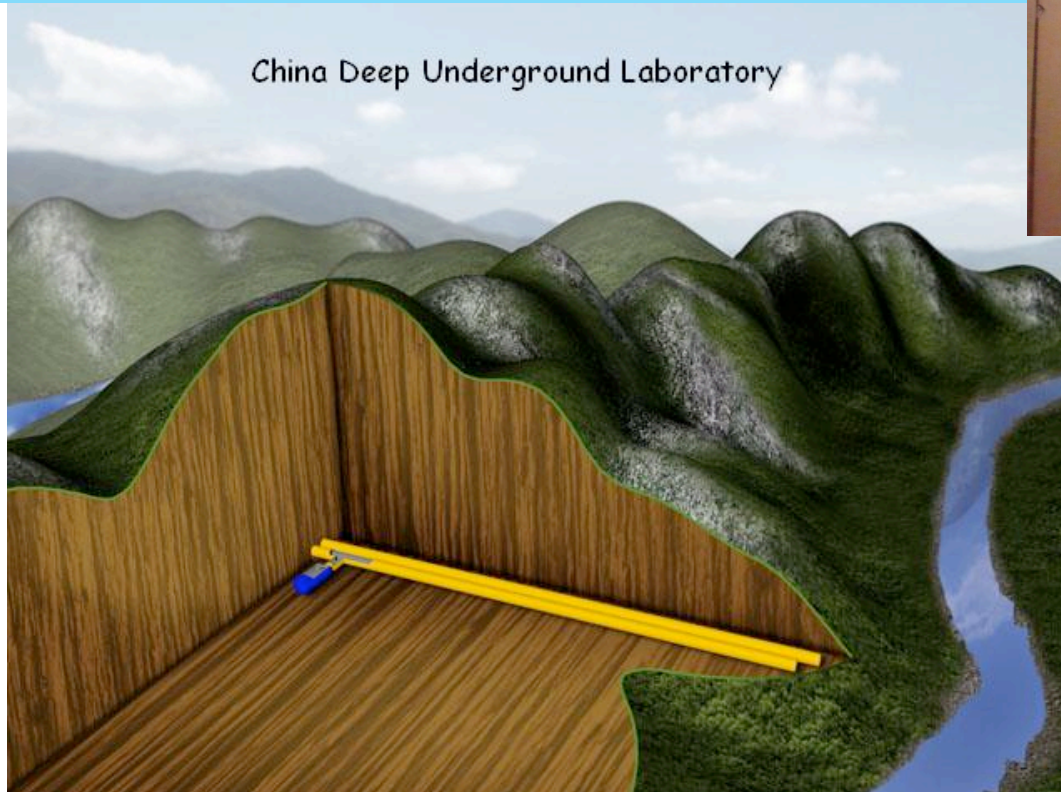


# *CJPL. China Deep Underground Laboratory*

## *The deepest*

- Peak : 4193m
- Maximum rock overburden: ~2500m
- Horizontal access via two tunnels (17.5 km)
- $\mu$  flux =  $7 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

The first experimental hall



Proposal for the full laboratory did not pass the first vote

Resubmit proposal for next five-year plan

Rockburst risk?



# *SNOLAB. Sudbury. Canada*



- 3000 m<sup>2</sup> building

- Administration, operation, IT, quality assurance, offices, laboratories, clean room, chemistry lab., conference room, etc.

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# SNOLab

Construction cost (not SNO hall): 65 M\$

Staff: 57 FTE

Budget: 8 M\$/yr

+VALE services 6.6 M\$/yr

Space underground: 5000 m<sup>2</sup>

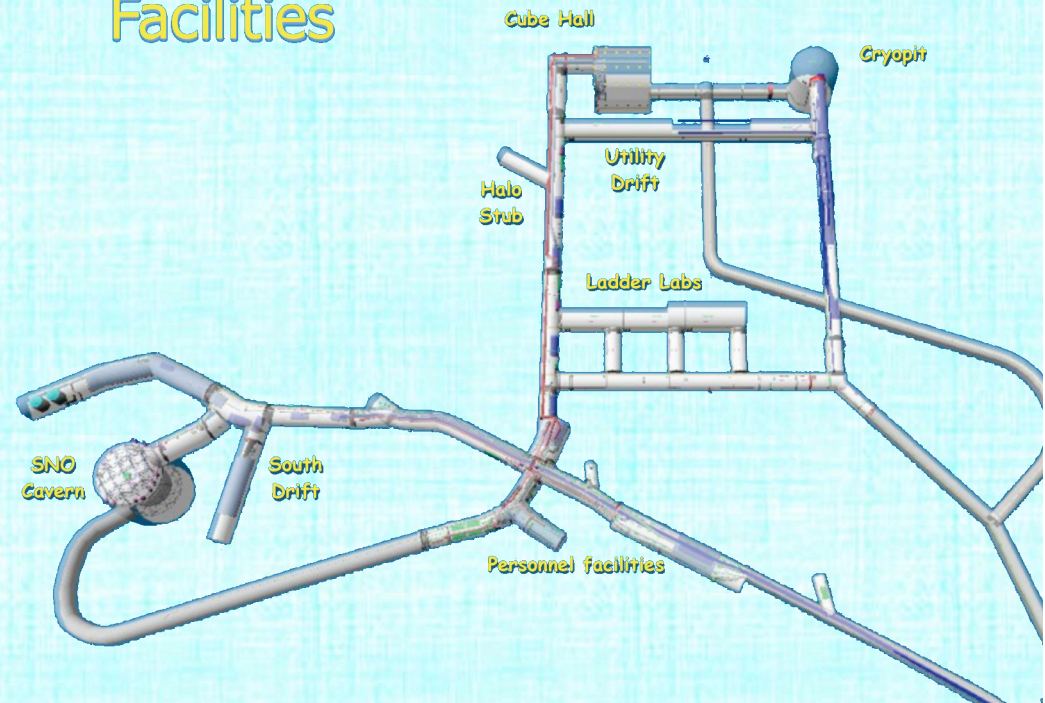
“Clean room” class 2000

Neutron flux =  $9.3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

Rn specific activity in air: 120 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>

(no dedicated air pipe from the surface)

## Underground Facilities



Building a lab in a mine implies a reduced ratio useful/total volume (about 50%)

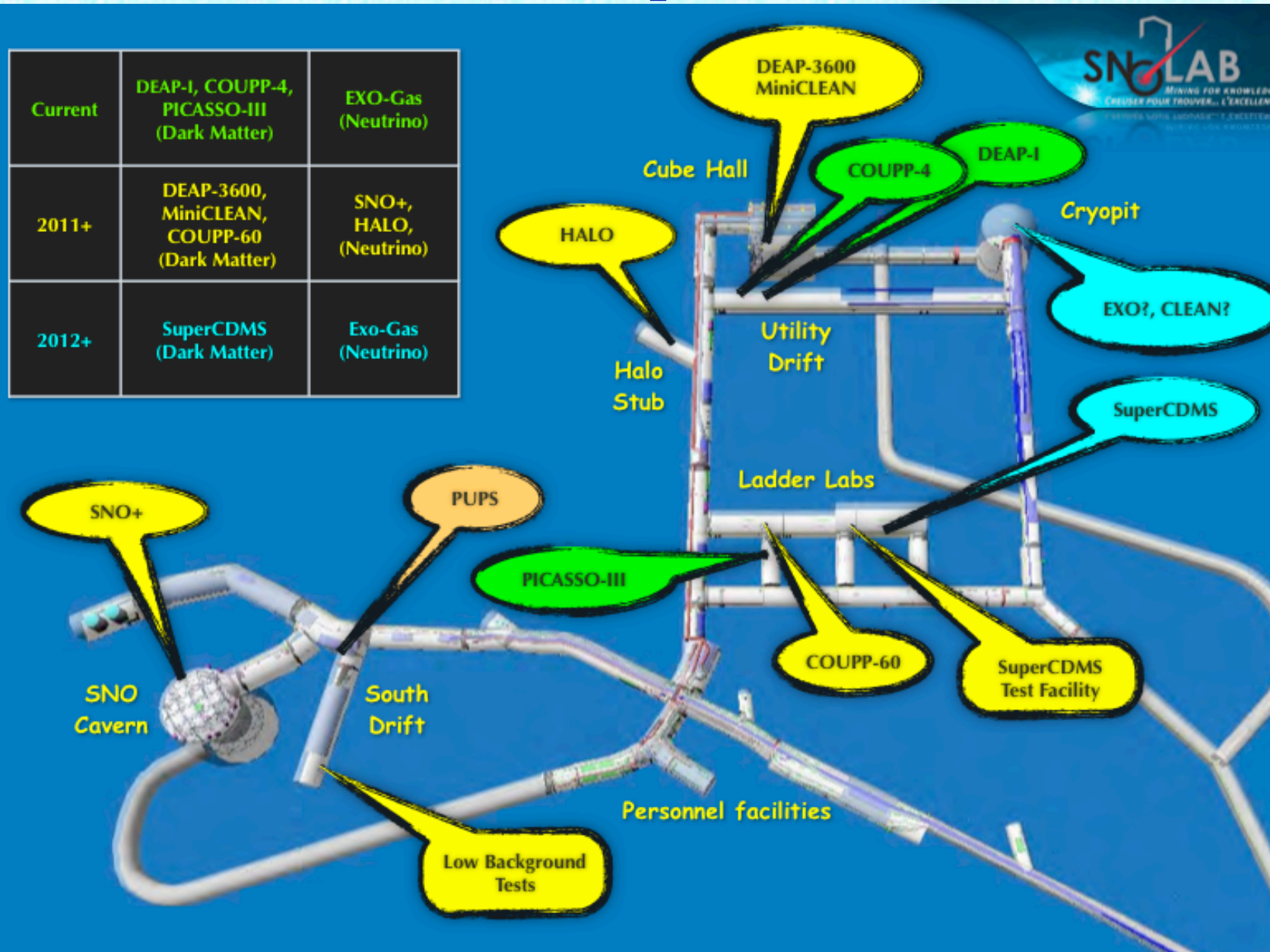
Halls for experiments need good quality rock of sufficient thickness

Long drifts between halls are expensive but make use of the halls more flexible



# *SNOLab Experiments*

Current	DEAP-I, COUPP-4, PICASSO-III (Dark Matter)	EXO-Gas (Neutrino)
2011+	DEAP-3600, MiniCLEAN, COUPP-60 (Dark Matter)	SNO+, HALO, (Neutrino)
2012+	SuperCDMS (Dark Matter)	Exo-Gas (Neutrino)



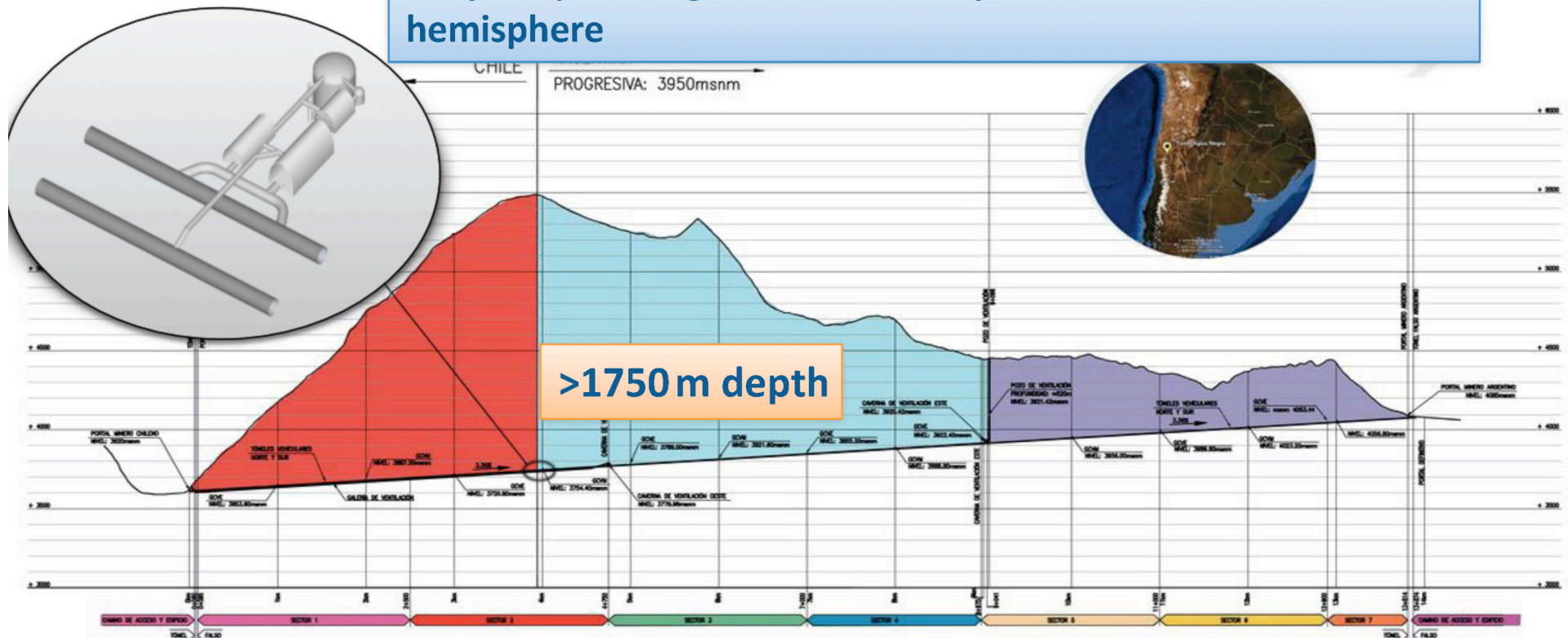


***ANDES***  
Joint venture of Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico

## Joint venture of Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico

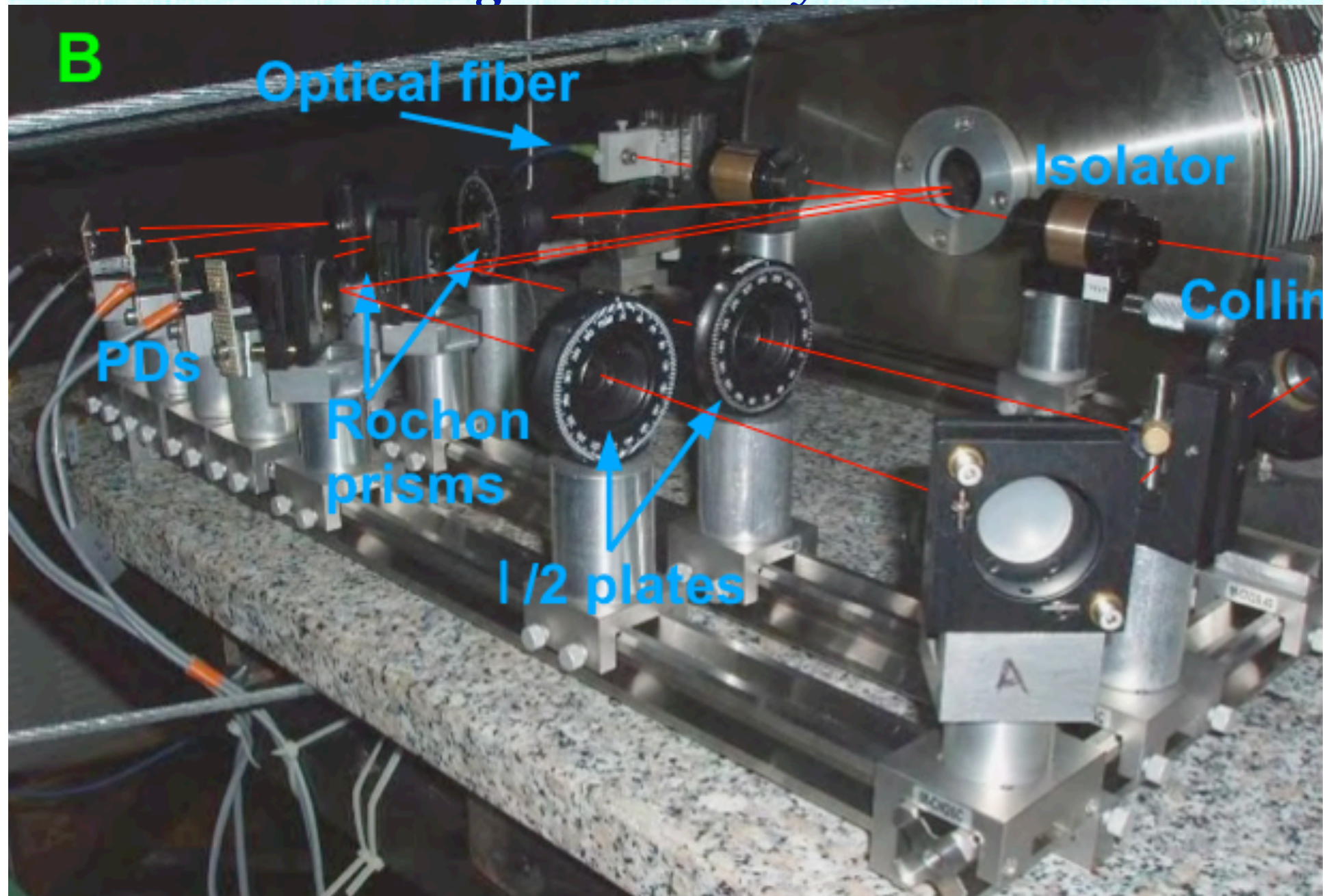
- Agua Negra tunnel between Argentina and Chile, linking MERCOSUR to Asia
- Possible laboratory location as deep (or deeper) than Modane
- Construction planned 2012-2018 (tunnel opening)
- Horizontal access, size of  $\sim 4\,000\text{ m}^2$  and  $\sim 65\,000\text{ m}^3$  in 5 halls and pits

## Only deep underground laboratory in the southern hemisphere





# *Underground Geodynamics*

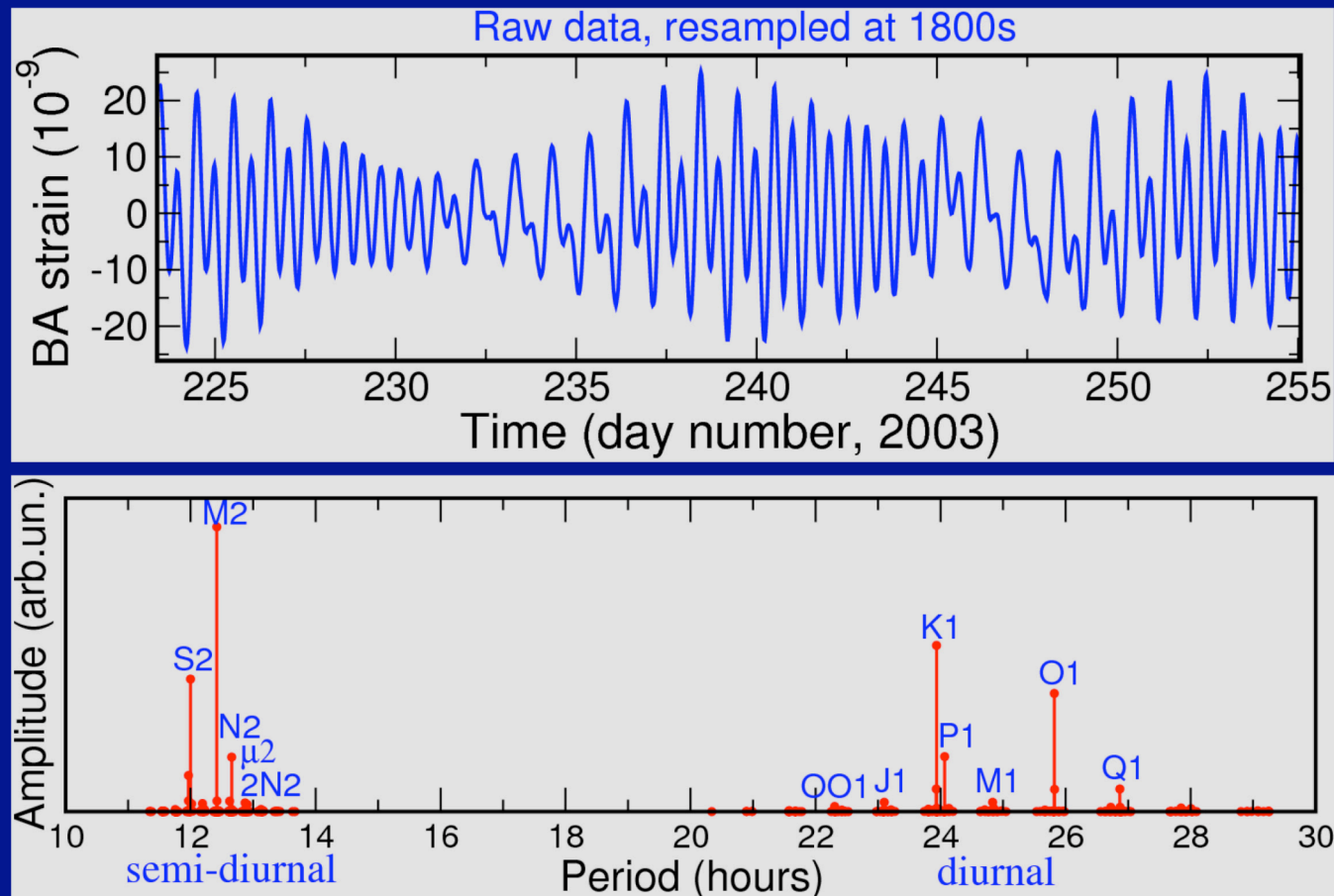




# GIGS @ LNGS. Earth Tides

## What about current activities?

### Earth tides (Free Core Resonance)



By earth tides, we understand all phenomena related to the variation of the Earth's gravity field and to the deformation of the Earth's body induced by the tide generating forces, i.e. the forces acting on the Earth due to differential gravitation of the celestial bodies as the Moon, the Sun and the nearby planets.



# GEODYN

## *Underground Geodynamic Observatory at LSC*

Integrated in the Spanish TOPO-IBERIA and TOPO-EUROPE, the principal pan-European Earth Science Programme

BB seismometer and accelerometer

Two GPS stations on surface

Two perpendicular LASER strain-metres (interferometers)





# GEODYN

## *Underground Geodynamic Observatory at LSC*

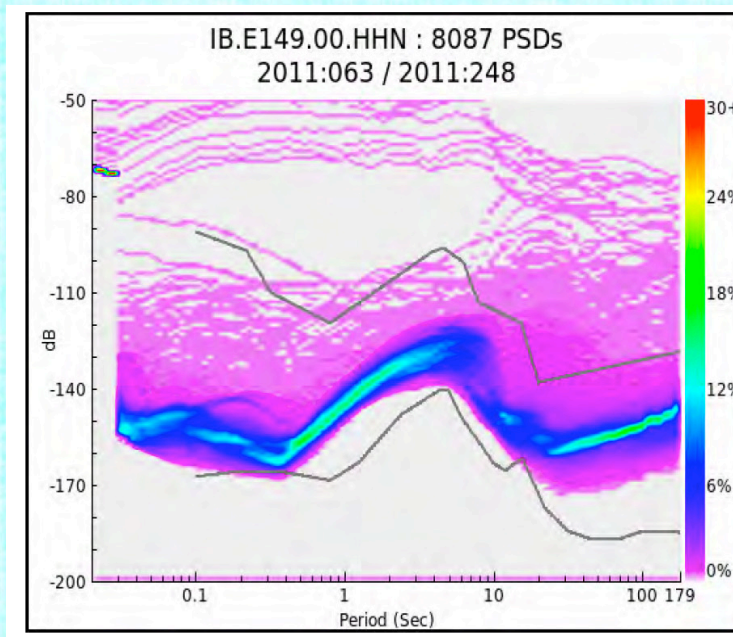
### Checking the BB sensor

the ambient noise signals (blue colors) are within the theoretical minimum/maximum theoretical threshold (black curves)

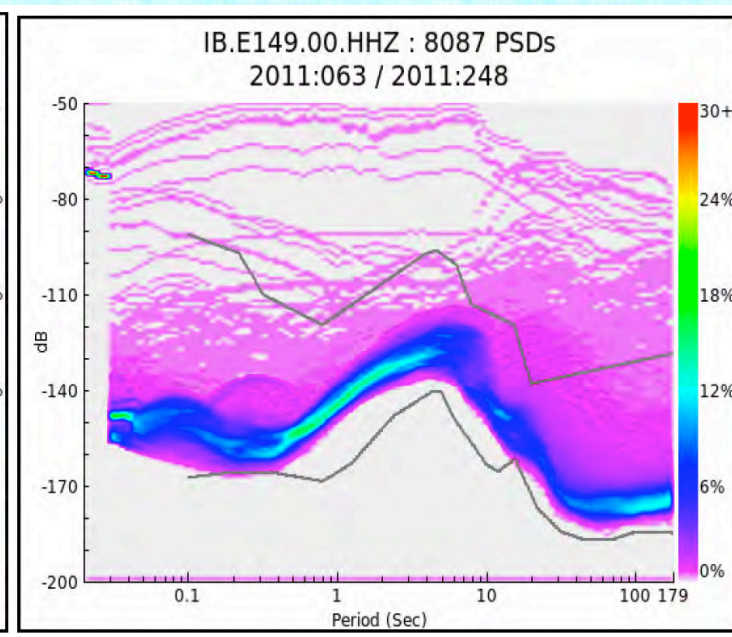
Peak at several seconds: micro-tremors due to waves in the Atlantic Ocean

pink curves on the upper part of the panels correspond to relevant regional or teleseismic events

### Horizontal



### Vertical



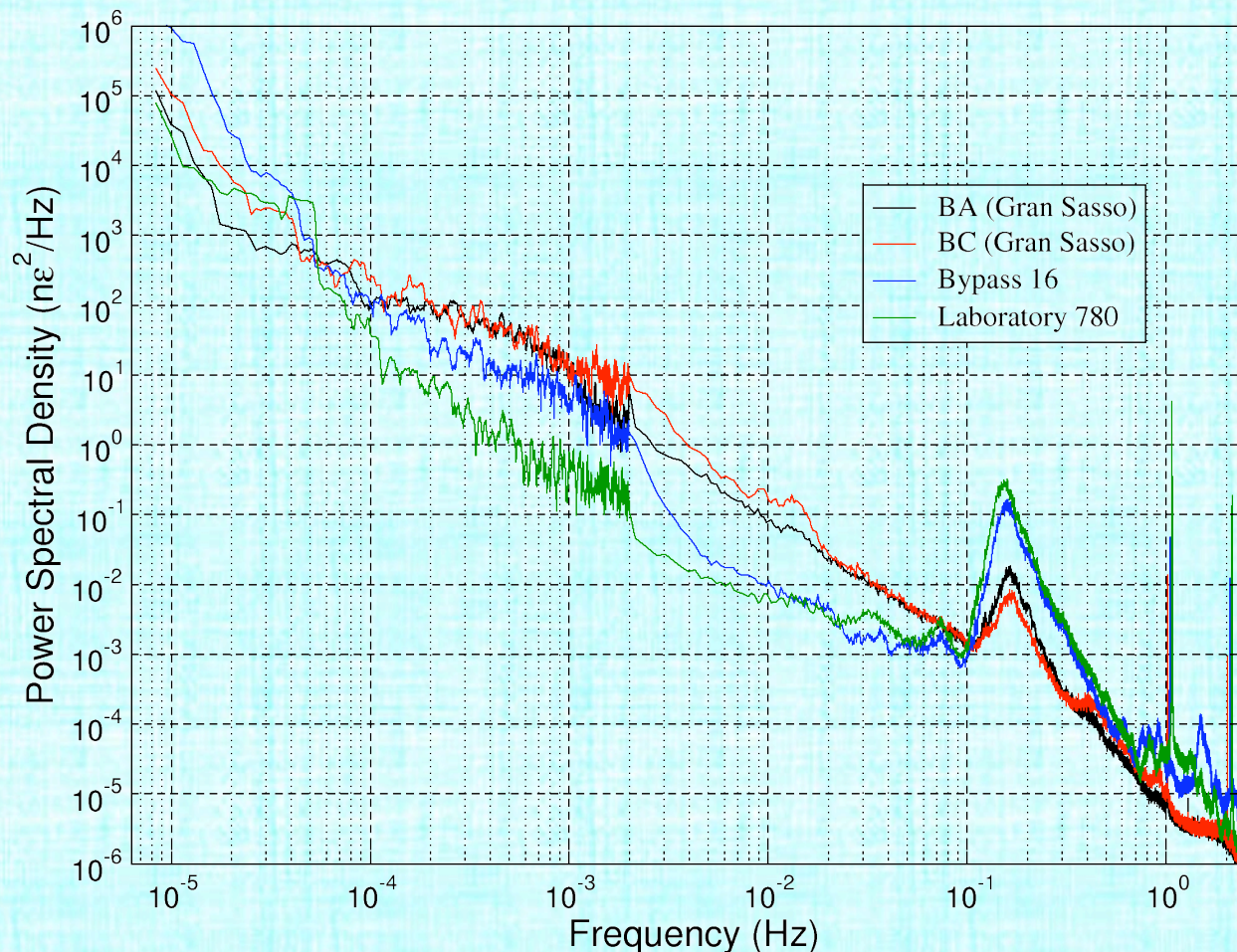


# *GEODYN and GIGS*

## Checking the interferometers.

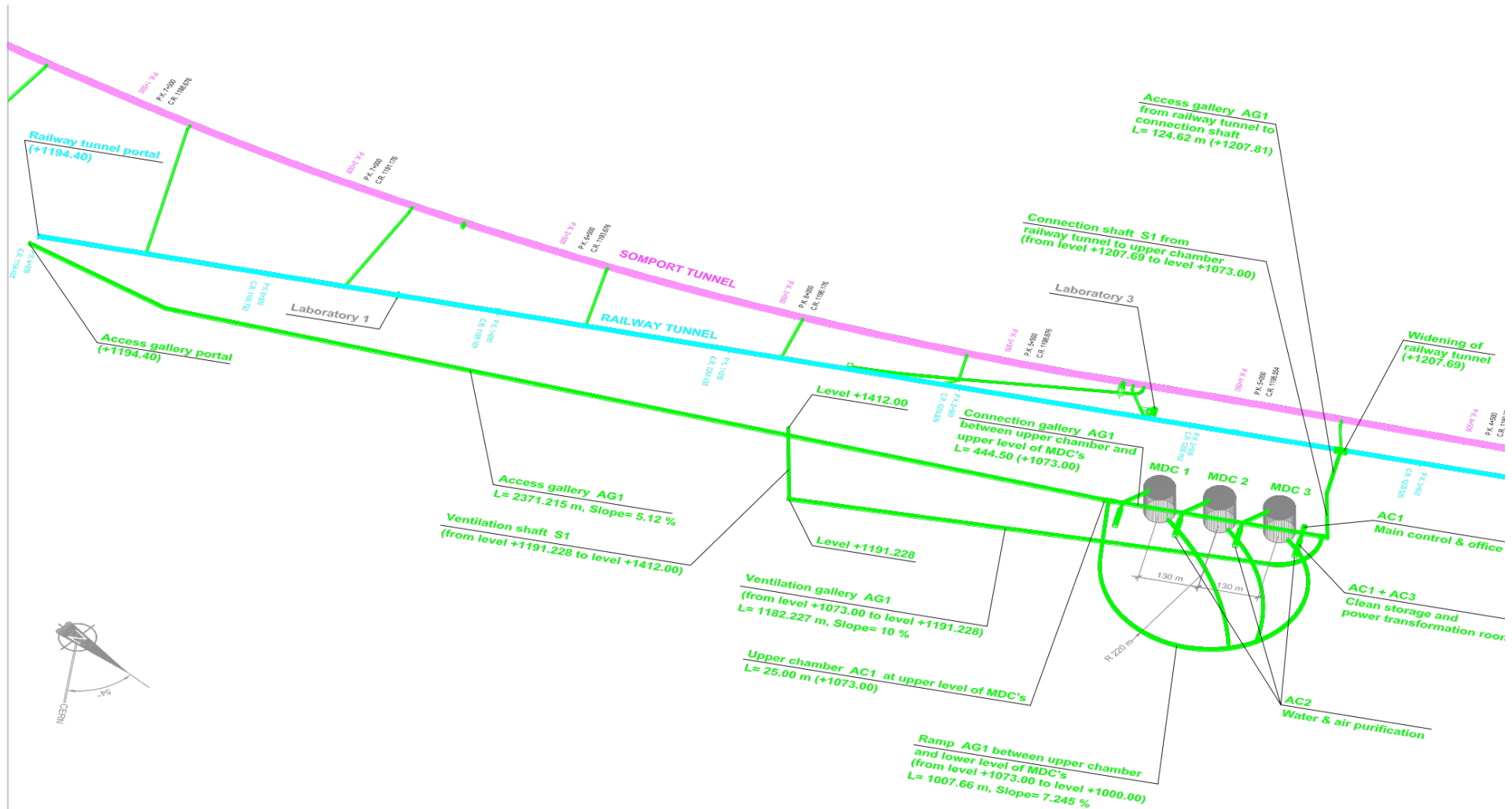
Region  $10^{-4}$  --  $10^{-2}$  Hz, important for: long period seismic waves, free Earth oscillations and slow quakes. “Background index” @ LSC is smaller (1/10) than @ LNGS

Peak @  $10^{-1}$  Hz. Oceanic micro-tremors events. In Atlantic >> in Mediterranean



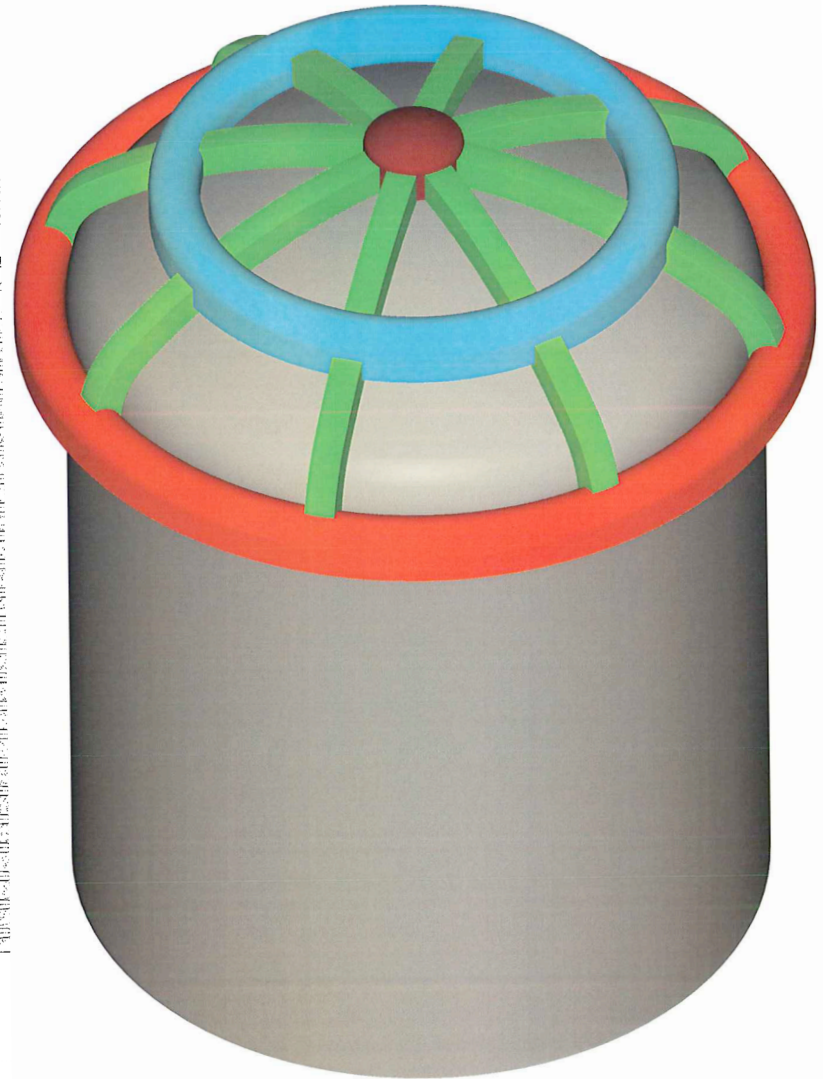
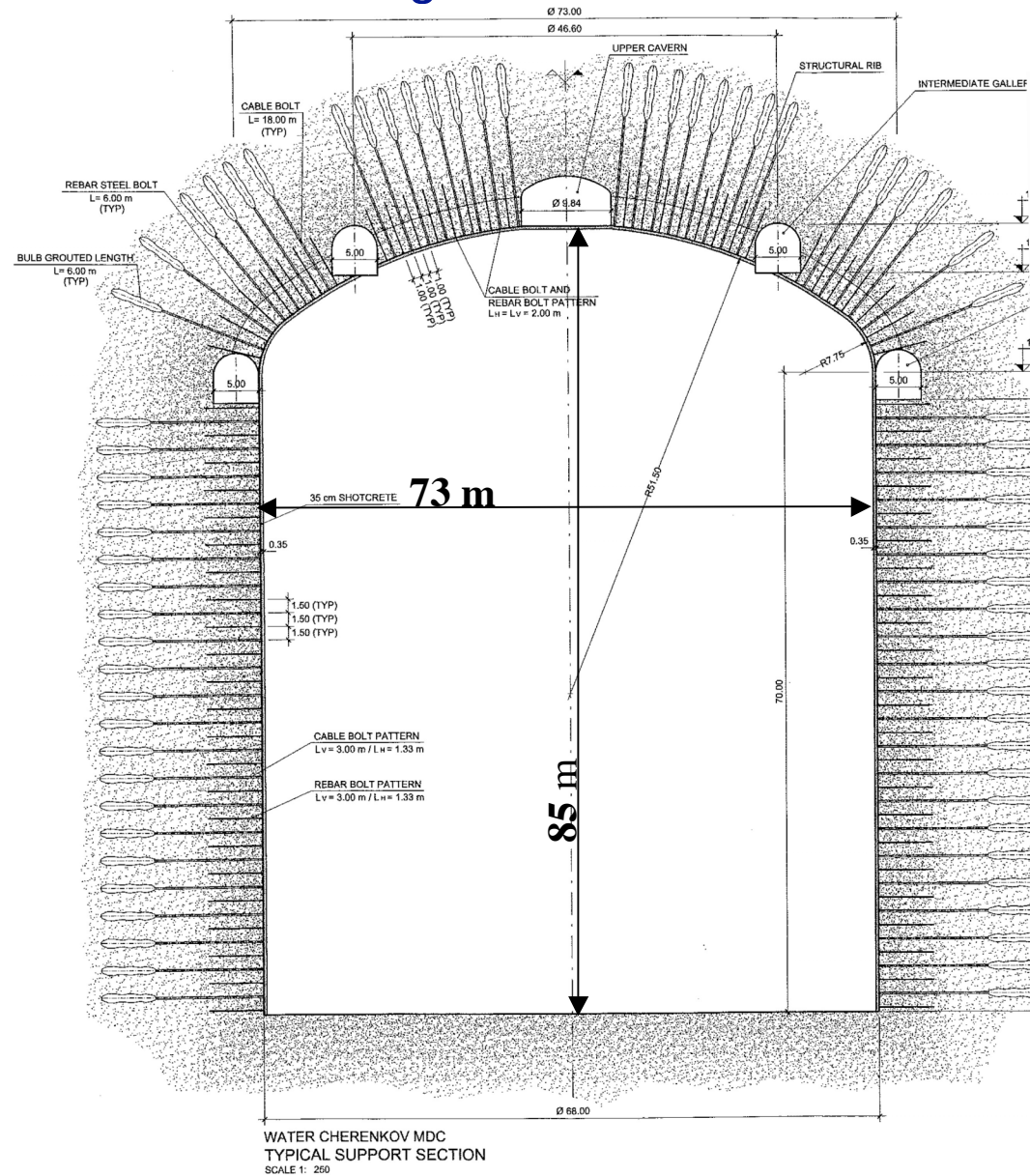


Cost to tender 230 M€





# Pre-design of one of the three cavities for MEMPHYS @ LSC





# Costs & uncertainties

Excavation costs proportional to the volume

Rock stabilisation costs proportional to the surface (increasing with depth)

Costs of services are not a large fraction of the total

Other factors contribute, but within a factor of  $\pi$  comparisons possible

LNGS. 190 000 m <sup>3</sup> , no access expenses, fully equipped	96 M€ 2011
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Access to LNGS. Tunnel: 5 km, 6 m diameter, with services	70 M€ 2011
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2nd safety tunnel would cost about 1/2

**LAGUNA** Design Study: Construction costs evaluation in 7 locations for three detector technologies in each: Water Cherenkov, LAr TPC, Scintillator. Access and services included

## Three Water Cherenkov

@LSC	1 650 000 m <sup>3</sup>	230 M€
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@LSM	886 000 m <sup>3</sup>	200 M€
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@Pyasalmy	1 079 000 m <sup>3</sup>	75 M€
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## Liquid Ar

@LSC	487 000 m <sup>3</sup>	85 M€
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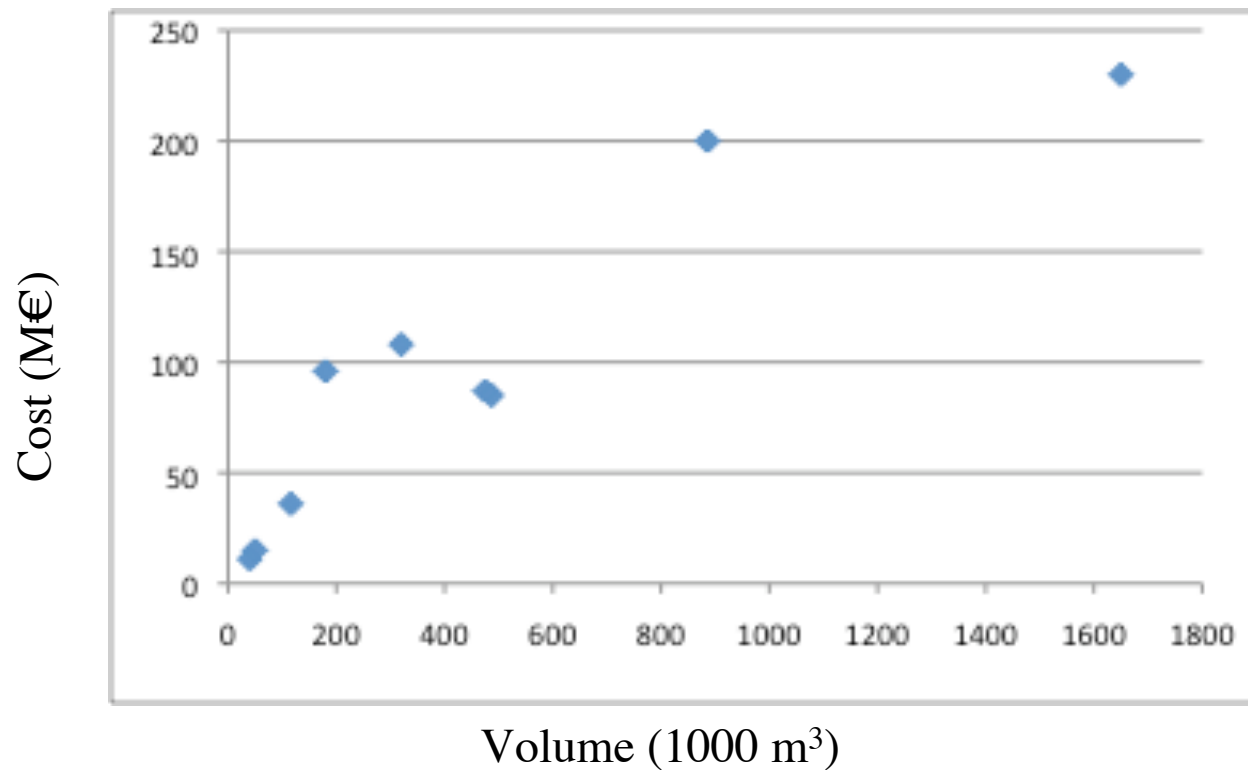
## Liquid scintillator

@LSC	475 000 m <sup>3</sup>	87 M€
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@LSM	116 000 m <sup>3</sup>	36 M€
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# Costs vs volume



## DUSEL

Refurbish shafts and general structures

311 M\$

Halls for two experiments (1/3 LNGS Hall or Ulisse [15 M€])

159 M\$

Infrastructure for **one** water Cherenkov

not found

Costs quoted with large uncertainty.



# ***General issues***

- BNO built with a private access tunnel
  - In general 2nd (smaller) one advisable for safety
- LNGS, LSC, LSM, ANDES project: close to and in phase with free way construction
  - Reduce construction & running costs. Drive-in to experiments
- Kamioka: similar, drive-in in a working mine, no interference
- Hydroelectric power station infrastructures may offer similar opportunities (CDUL)
- SNOLab, SUL and BUL built in working mines
  - – need to find good rock, possibly far from shaft: useful/total volume smaller
  - – limits in the size of the detector elements to bring in
  - – scheduling of access necessary (as a function of mine programme)
  - + integrate in the safety structures of the mine
- LNGS, LSC, ....built general purpose experimental halls, turnover of experiments
- Kamioka, SNOLab: build experiment specific halls
- DUSEL/SUSEL to be built in an abandoned mine





*Thank you*