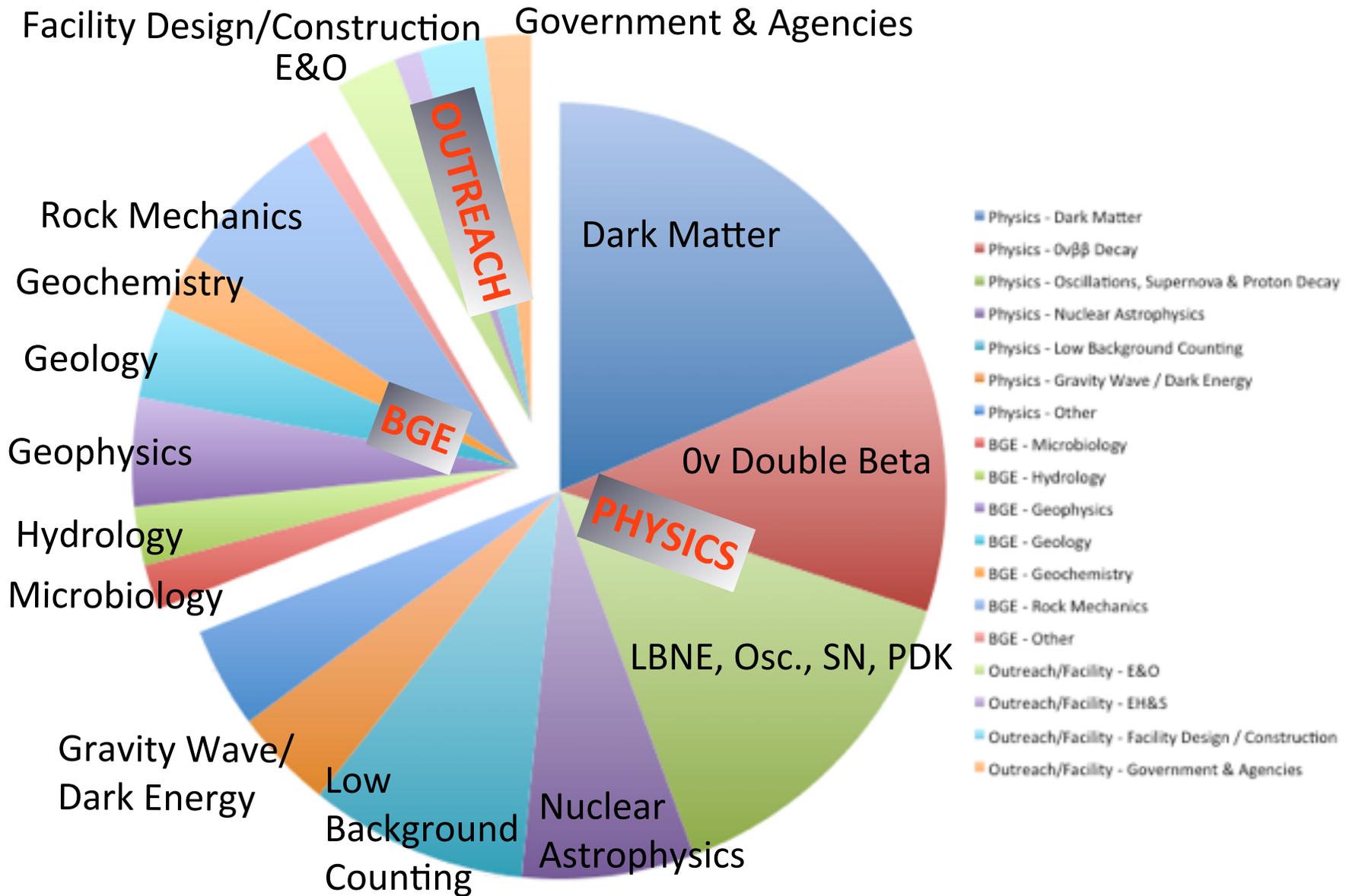


DURA

Progress Report & Future

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DUSEL Research Association Membership



- Current Membership Cross Section
 - 536 registered members
 - Recent Voting on 3 New Members to Exec Committee
- Executive committee has 9 members
 - At least 1 early career (<5 years since PhD)
 - At least 2 from both Phys, and Bio/Geo/Eng communities
 - No more than 2 representatives from any one collaboration
 - 3 year terms

DURA Research Executive Committee

- Manoel Couder
 - Nuclear Astrophysics, DIANA – Notre Dame
- Prisca Cushman (- 2012)
 - Physics, dark matter, CDMS – Univ. Minn.
- Jason Detwiler (2013 -)
 - Physics, Double Beta Decay, Majorana – Univ. Washington
- Steve Elliott (- 2012)
 - Physics, Double beta decay, MAJORANA - LANL
- Rick Gaitskell (Chair)
 - Physics, dark matter, LUX - Brown
- Andrew Hime
 - Physics, dark matter, CLEAN - LANL
- Ken Lande
 - Physics, long baseline – Univ. Penn.
- Duane Moser (- 2012)
 - Deep Earth Microbiology, DRI NV
- Bill Roggenthen (2013 -)
 - Geo-Engineering , SDSMT
- Kate Scholberg
 - Physics, long baseline, Duke
- Peter Sorensen (2013 -)
 - Physics, dark matter, LUX - LLNL
- Joe Wang
 - Hydrogeology, LBNL

DURA meetings

- Modification of Acronym
 - Deep Underground Research Association
- The executive committee has met and will continue to meet every two weeks
- The DURA membership will meet once per year.
 - First meeting was in late 2010

DURA in 2012/3

- User Feedback to Representatives of Agencies
 - Feb 2012 - Letter to Dr Brinkman / SURF / LBNE
 - Mar 2012 - Letter to Dr Odone - concerning charge letter from Brinkman
 - April 2012 - Keep members informed of LBNE meeting
 - Dec 2012 - CD-1 approval LBNE: far detector at Lead, SD
- Support Collection of Information on Community used to garner support by decision makers
- Regular Discussions with Representatives of SURF and other US Underground Labs

DURA - Deep Underground Research Association Looking Forward into 2013

- We act as a Focus for US UG Researchers, and Research Groups
 - Some are large blocks of users, some are individuals
 - Ensure that broad user base is listened and we are acting in response to their views
 - Some of feedback has very specific project infrastructure goals (for major fields)
- We would like to formally include representatives from other US underground labs
 - Promote communication between labs, common goals
 - Competition within US is good, but must also consider competition internationally. c.f. DM
 - Benefits of agreeing coherent goals
 - Evolve the DURA charter to better reflect this