

# SNO+/LEGEND/IceCube/ANITA



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# $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment

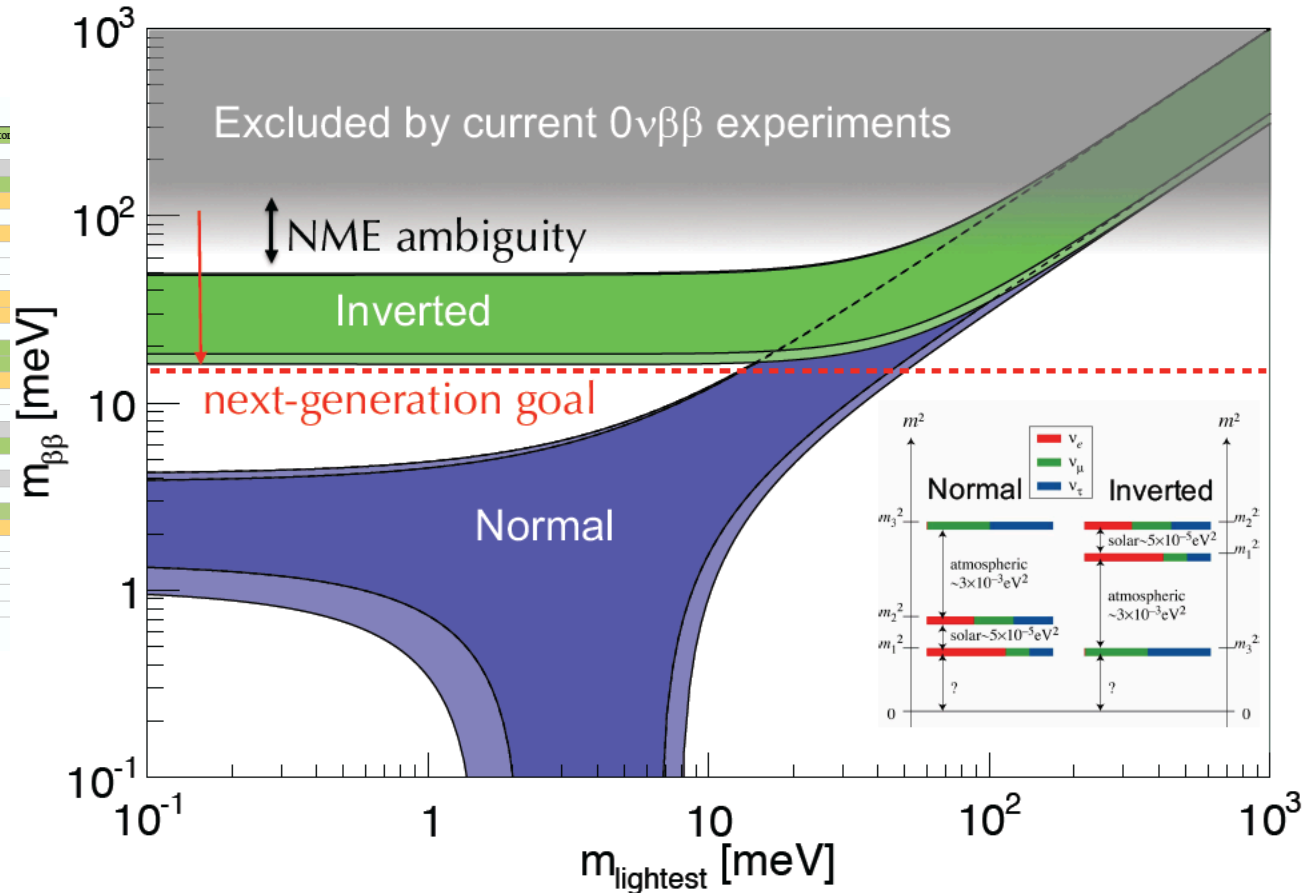
Next generation experiments' goal

- Cover all IO region
- Explore 50% of NO phase space

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}} = G_{01} g_A^4 \left( M^{0\nu} + \frac{g_\nu^{NN} m_\pi^2}{g_A^2} M_{\text{cont}}^{0\nu} \right)^2 \frac{m_{\beta\beta}^2}{m_e^2}$$

Collaboration	Isotope	Technique
CANDLES-III	$^{48}\text{Ca}$	305 kg $\text{CaF}_2$ crystals in liquid scintillator
CANDLES-IV	$^{48}\text{Ca}$	$\text{CaF}_2$ scintillating bolometers
GERDA	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	Point contact Ge in active LAr
MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	Point contact Ge in Lead
LEGEND 200	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	Point contact Ge in active LAr
LEGEND 1000	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	Point contact Ge in active LAr
SuperNEMO Demonstrator	$^{82}\text{Se}$	Foils with tracking
SELENA	$^{82}\text{Se}$	Se CCDs
NvDex	$^{82}\text{Se}$	$\text{SeF}_6$ high pressure gas TPC
ZICOS	$^{96}\text{Zr}$	10% $^{96}\text{Zr}$ in liquid scintillator
AMoRE-I	$^{100}\text{Mo}$	$^{40}\text{CaMoO}_4$ scintillating bolometers
AMoRE-II	$^{100}\text{Mo}$	$\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$ scintillating bolometers
CUPID	$^{100}\text{Mo}$	$\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$ scintillating bolometers
COBRA	$^{116}\text{Cd}/^{130}\text{Te}$	CdZnTe detectors
CUORE	$^{130}\text{Te}$	$\text{TeO}_2$ Bolometer
SNO+	$^{130}\text{Te}$	0.5% $^{130}\text{Te}$ in liquid scintillator
SNO+ Phase II	$^{130}\text{Te}$	2.5% $^{130}\text{Te}$ in liquid scintillator
Theia-Te	$^{130}\text{Te}$	5% $^{130}\text{Te}$ in liquid scintillator
KamLAND-Zen 400	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2.7% in liquid scintillator
KamLAND-Zen 800	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2.7% in liquid scintillator
KamLAND2-Zen	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2.7% in liquid scintillator
EXO-200	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	Xe liquid TPC
nEXO	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	Xe liquid TPC
NEXT-WHITE	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	High pressure GXe TPC
NEXT-100	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	High pressure GXe TPC
PandaX	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	High pressure GXe TPC
AXEL	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	High pressure GXe TPC
DARWIN	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$^{136}\text{Xe}$ liquid TPC
LZ	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$^{136}\text{Xe}$ liquid TPC
Theia-Xe	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	3% in liquid scintillator

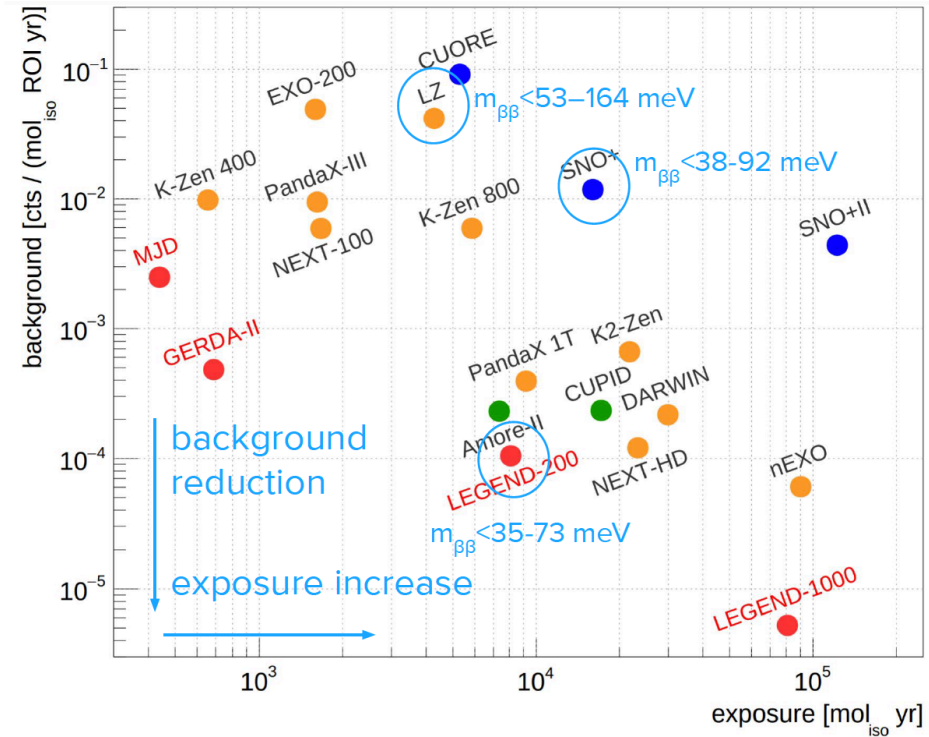
R&D
Construction
Operating



# UK $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay Experiments

Iso	EXPERIMENT	STATUS	TECHNOLOGY
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	LEGEND	in construction (L200)	semiconductor detectors
$^{82}\text{Se}$	SuperNEMO	commissioning	Trackers & Calorimeters
$^{100}\text{Mo}$	NEMO-3	completed	
$^{130}\text{Te}$	SNO+	in construction (Phase I)	Loaded Scintillator
	Watchman	R&D	Loaded Scintillator
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	LZ	commissioning	Time Projection Chamber

Experimental Strategies:  
Mass Scalability vs. Background Level  
Calorimetry vs. Tracking

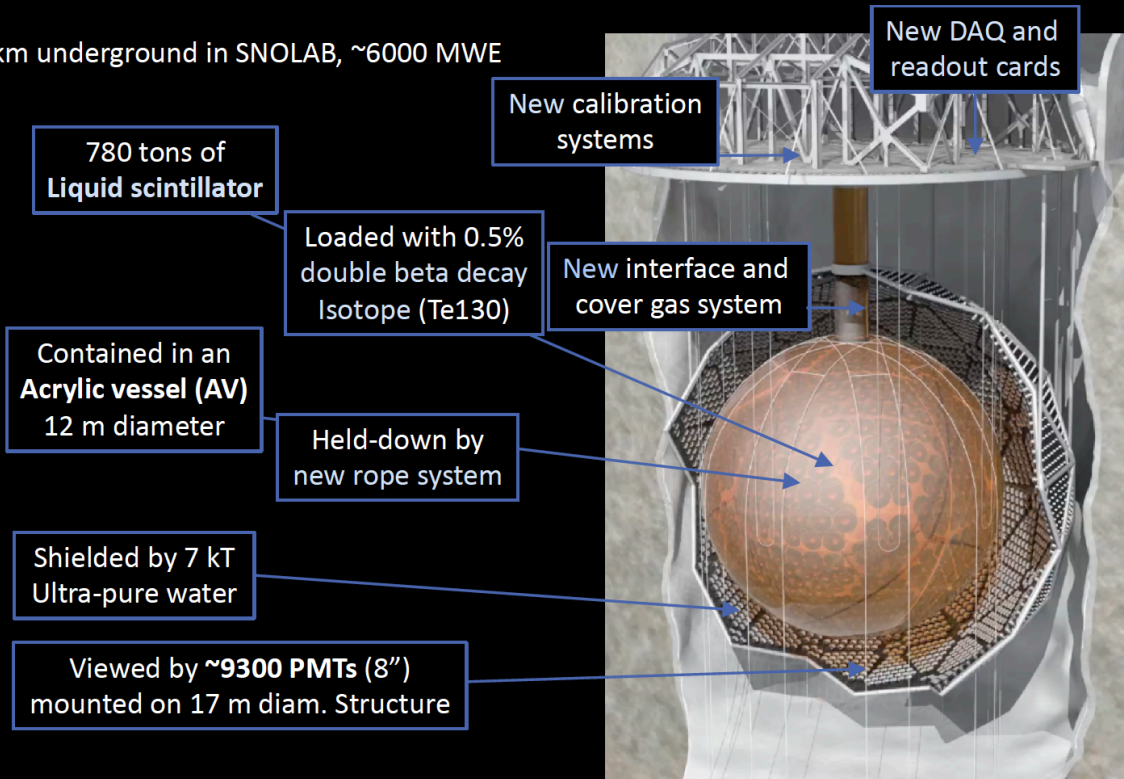
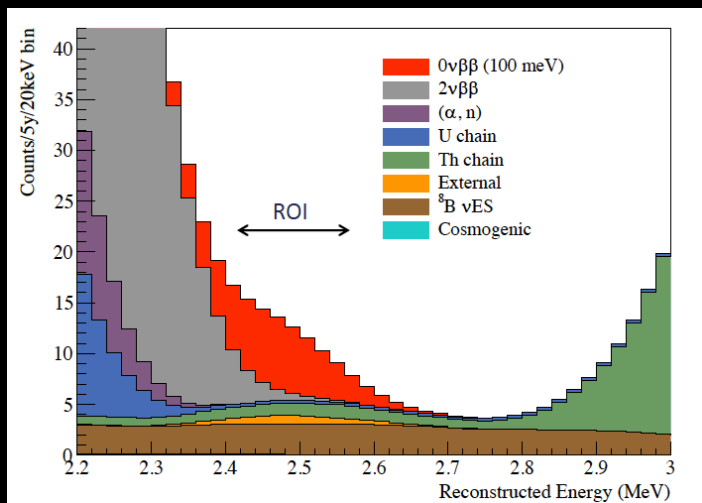


Different background/exposure combinations  
can lead to similar  $m_{\beta\beta}$  sensitivities

$^{130}\text{Te}$ -loaded LS  $0\nu\beta\beta$  experiment  
 - scalable, cost-effective  
 - statistically identify  $0\nu\beta\beta$  over well understood background

Sensitivity (0.5%  $^{130}\text{Te}$ , 3-yr)  
 -  $T_{1/2} > 2 \times 10^{26}$  yr  $\rightarrow$  -  $m_{\beta\beta} \sim 37\text{-}89$  meV

2km underground in SNOLAB,  $\sim 6000$  MWE





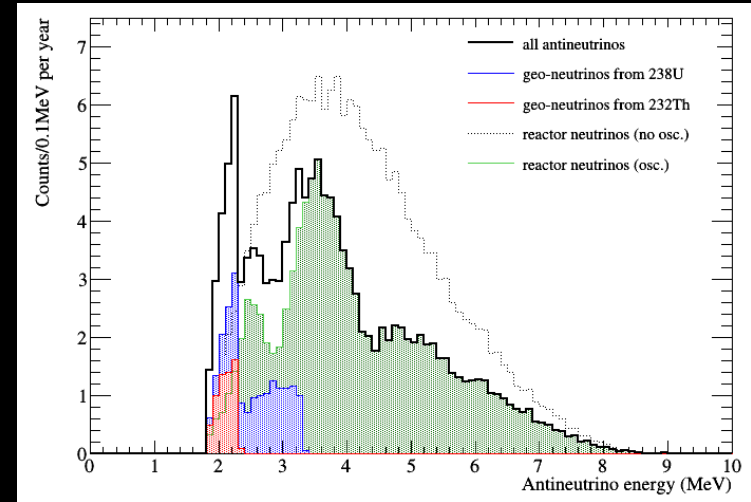
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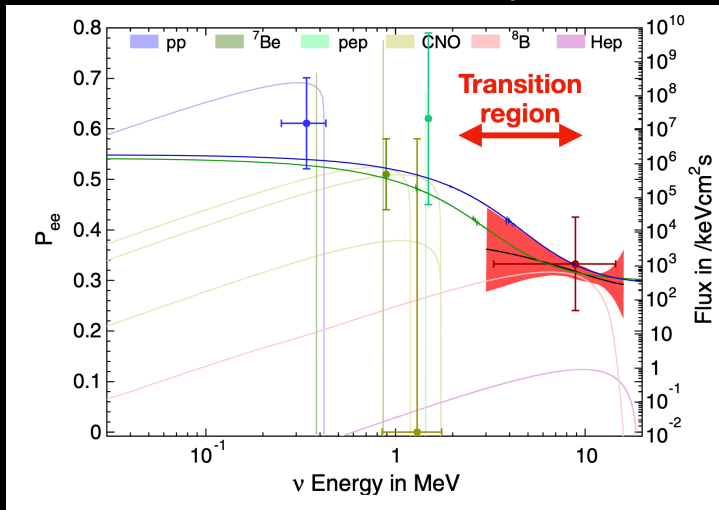
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Multi-purpose detector

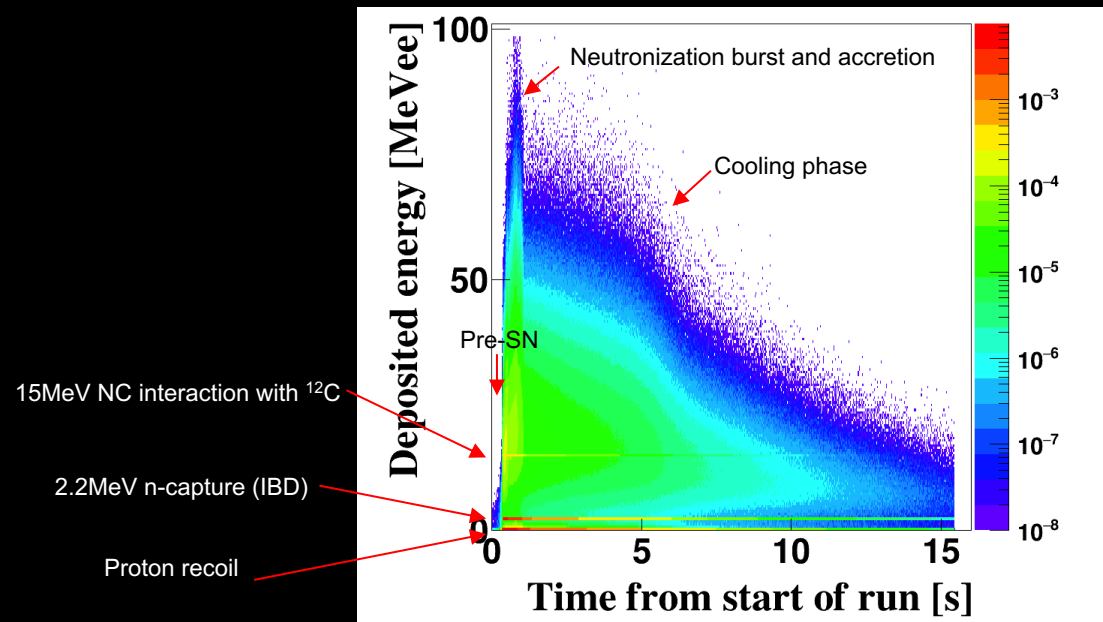
- Solar neutrinos
- Geo neutrinos
- Supernova neutrinos
- Reactor neutrinos
- Invisible nucleon decay



Sensitive to MSW up-turn



Expected signals for 10kpc SN-II



# SNO+

## Water phase

- 2017-2019 (305 days)
- Low E water Cherenkov detector
- Physics result [PRC102 \(2020\)014002](#), [PRD100\(2019\)112005](#), [PRD99\(2019\)032008](#)

## Scintillator filling

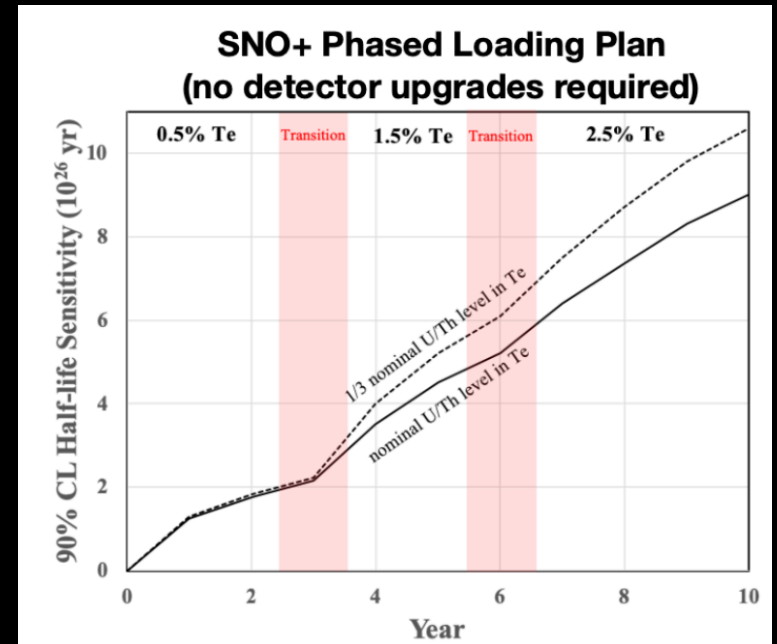
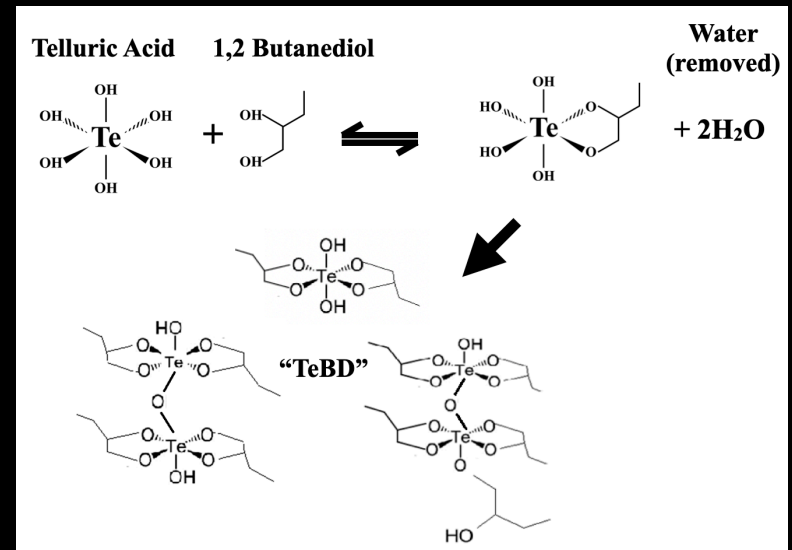
- 2019 → Apr 2020 (stop) → resume (~75% done)

## Tellurium loading

- UK developed
- TeDiol (TeBD) will be mixed in LAB (0.5%)
- Staged Te-loading for background study

## SNO+ UK

- Many leadership roles (analysis coordinator, leading software, reconstruction, calibration)
- Significant contributions both for analysis (supernova neutrinos, solar neutrinos, reactor neutrinos, etc)



# LEGEND

Large Enriched  
Germanium Experiment  
for Neutrinoless  $\beta\beta$  Decay

240 collaborators  
48 institutions  
worldwide

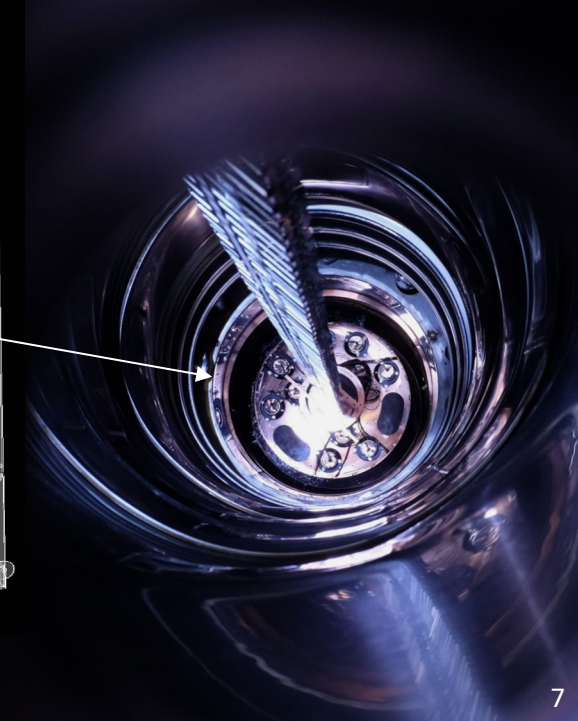
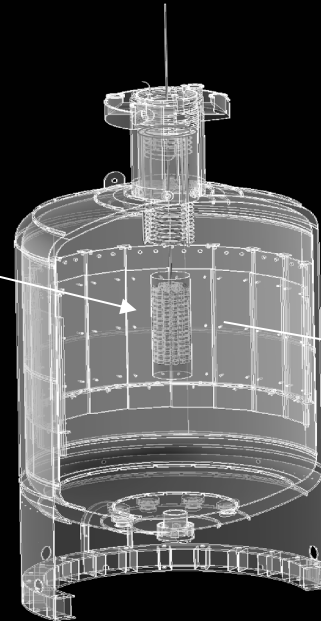
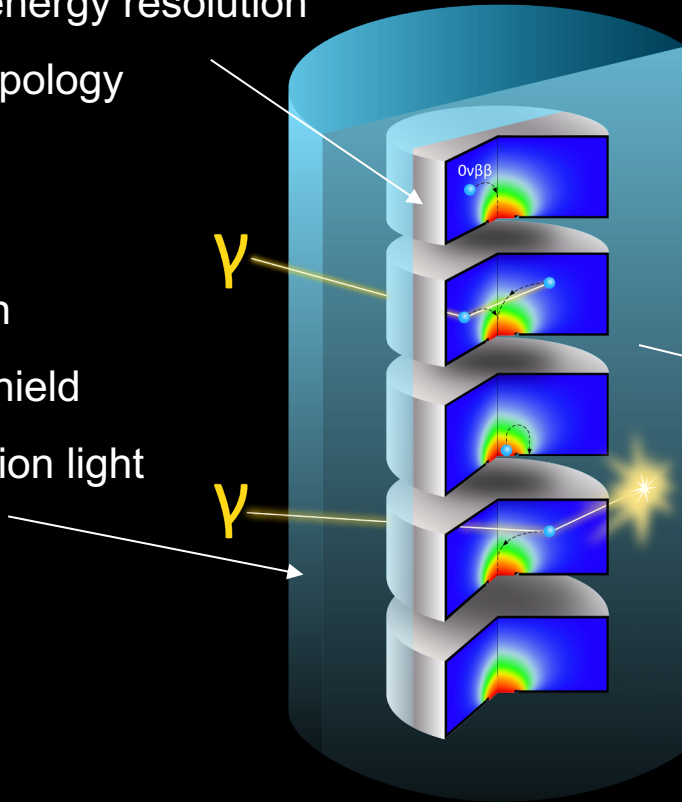


## Ge detectors

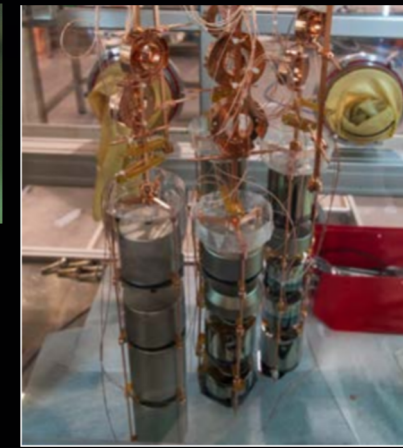
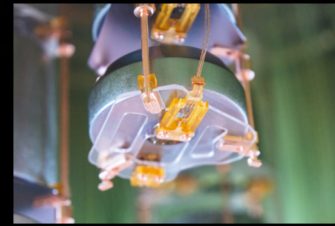
- high efficiency
- $<0.1\%$  energy resolution
- event topology

## Liquid Ar bath

- active shield
- scintillation light



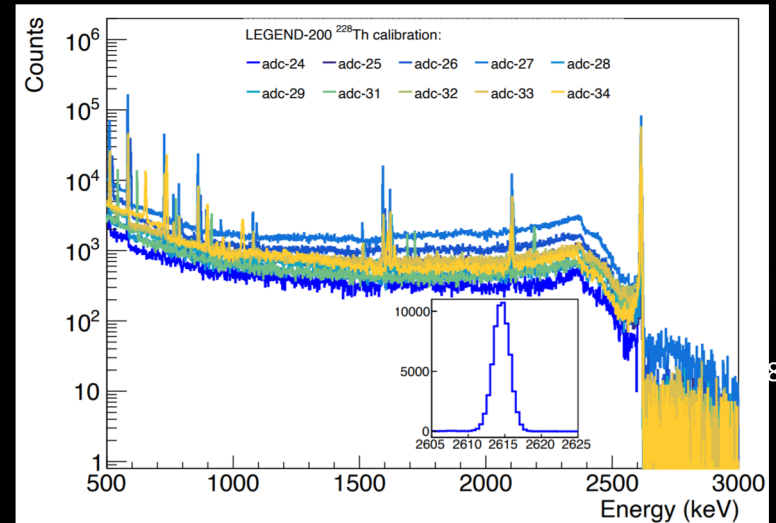
**A Background-free Discovery Machine!**



## Staged Approach:

- GERDA/MAJORANA (40 kg of detectors,  $T_{1/2} > 10^{26}$  y)
- LEGEND-200 ( $T_{1/2} > 10^{27}$  y /  $m_{\beta\beta} < 35-73$  meV)
  - 200 kg of detector mass at LNGS
  - ongoing upgrade of GERDA infrastructure
  - **physics data taking in 2021**
- LEGEND-1000 ( $T_{1/2} > 10^{28}$  y /  $m_{\beta\beta} < 10-20$  meV)
  - 1 ton of detector mass
  - Conceptual Design Report under preparation for US down-selection (now Portfolio Review)

LEGEND-200 integration tests in 2020 (20 detectors / 4 strings)





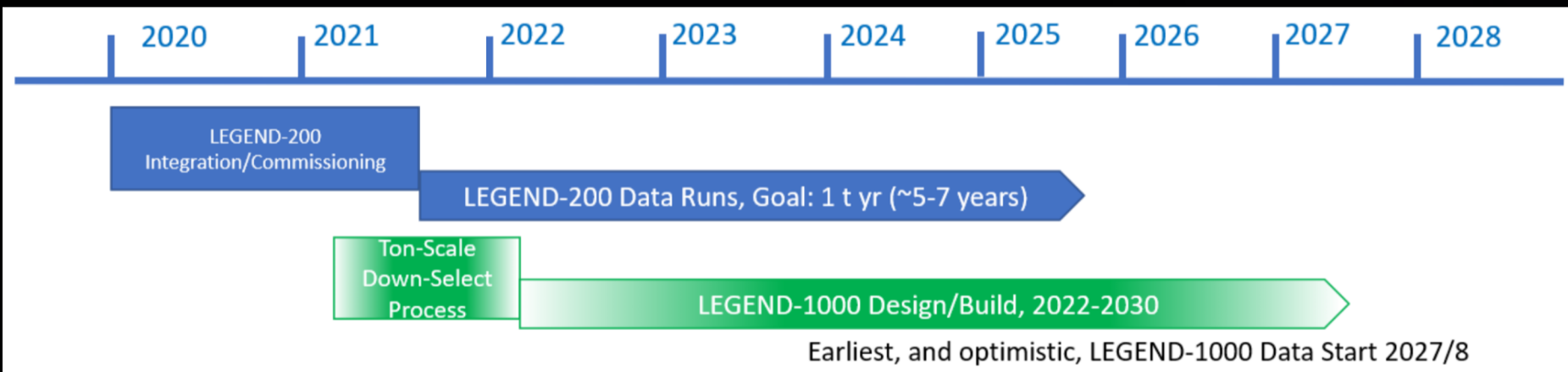
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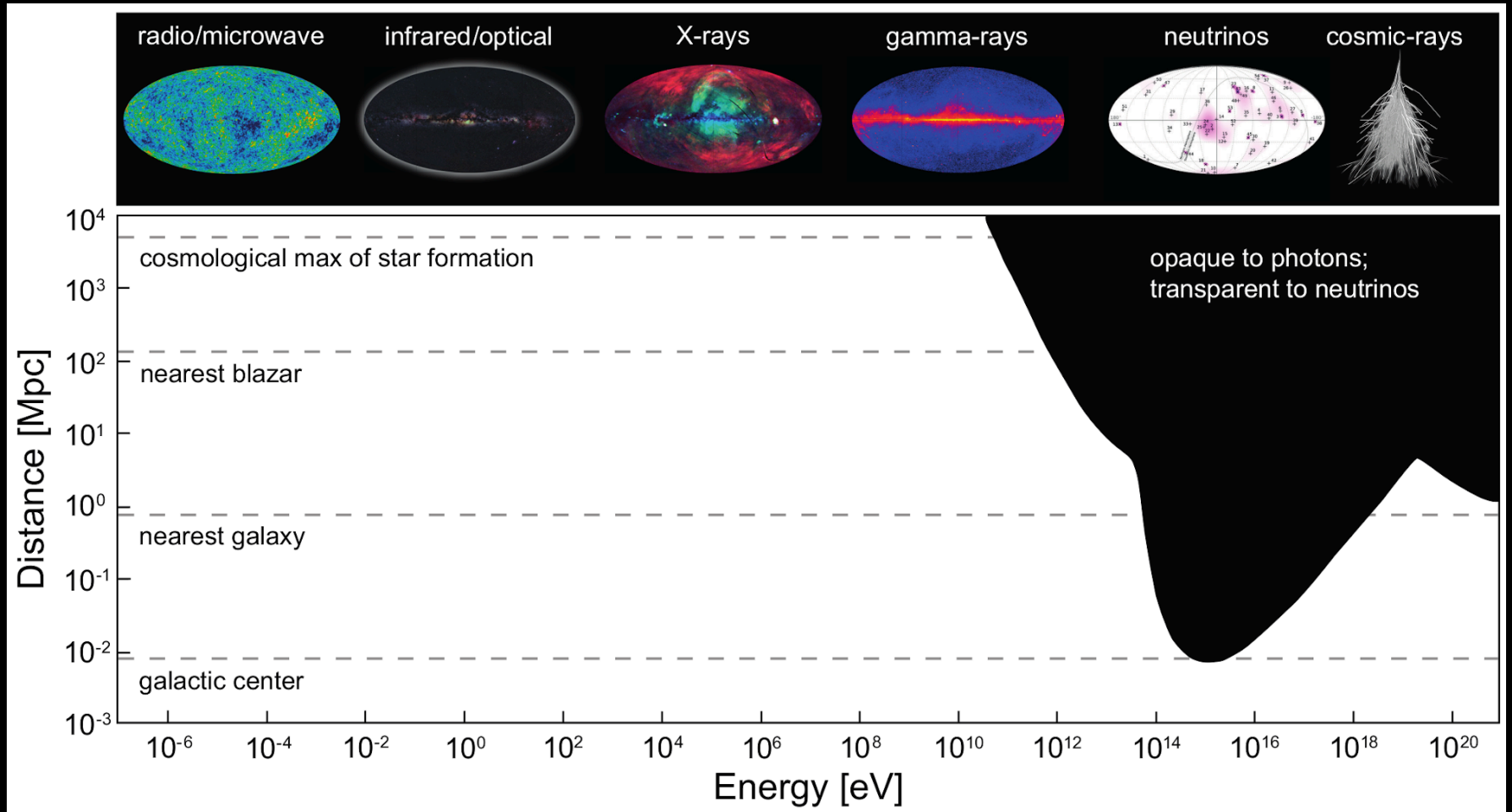
## UK contributions:

- Ge detector characterisation
- Novel HPGe detector development
- Radio-assays
- Software and Analysis
- Novel Scintillating materials (PEN)
- Founding members of LEGEND
- Leadership roles (Analysis Coordinator, IB Chair, Steering Committee)
- Leveraging UK investment in nuclear physics, low-background, detector technologies, as well seed corn STFC Opportunities funding (£140k)



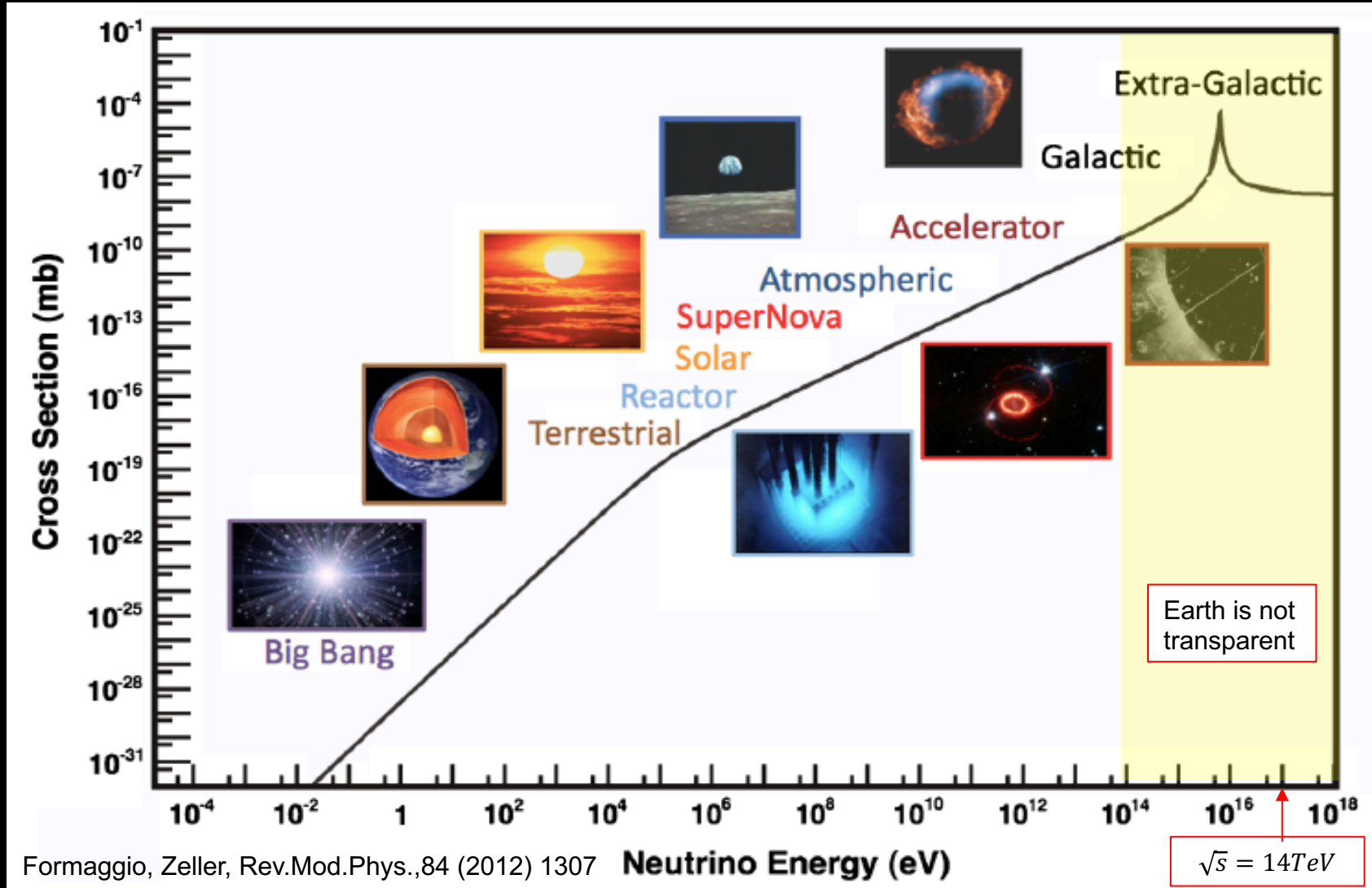
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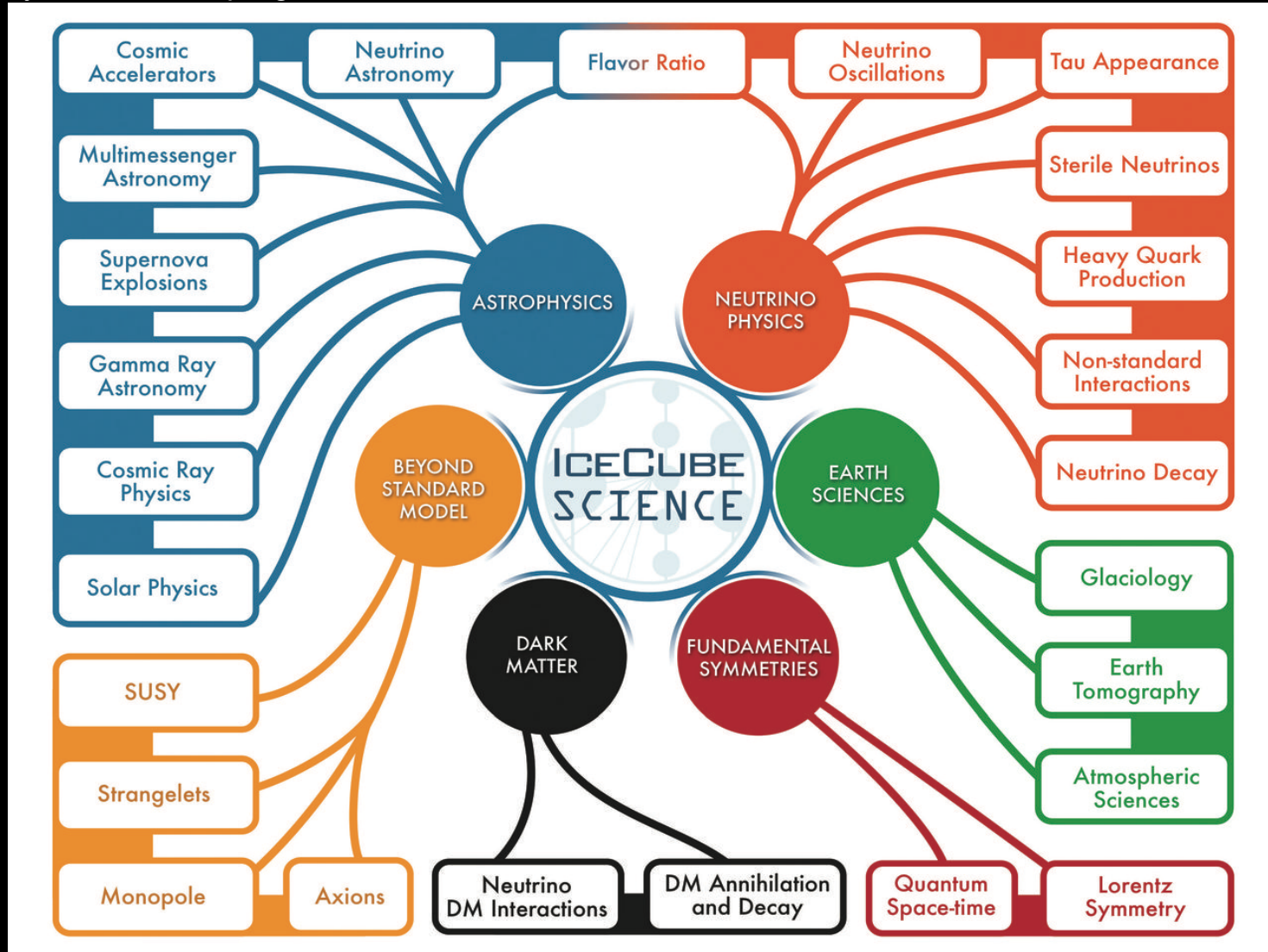
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Extremely rich science program

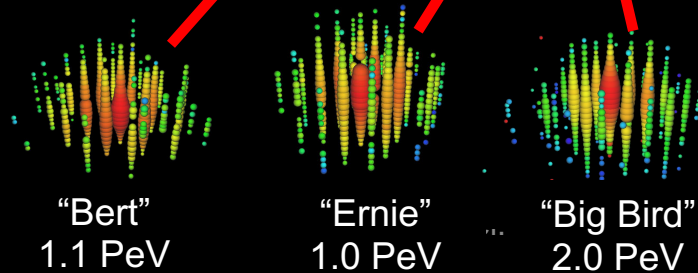
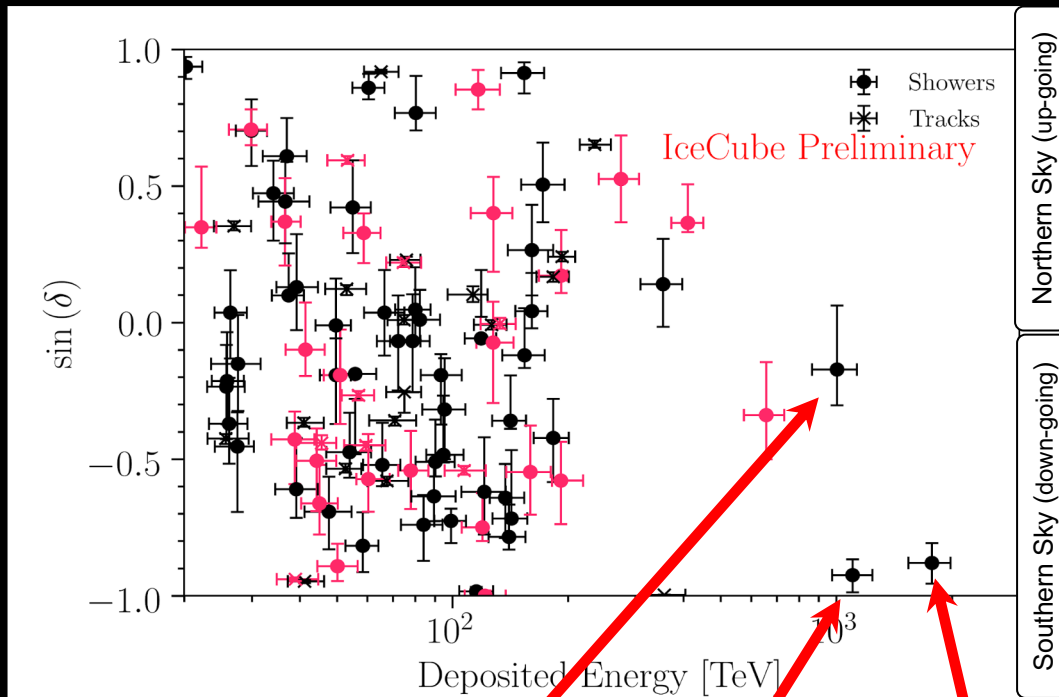




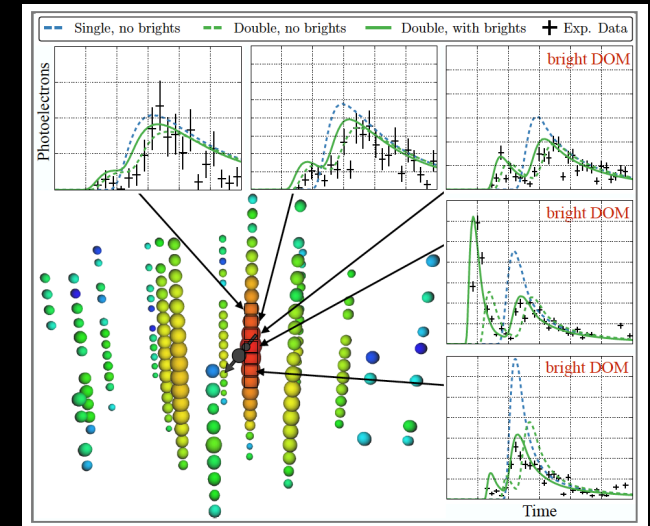
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## Diffuse events

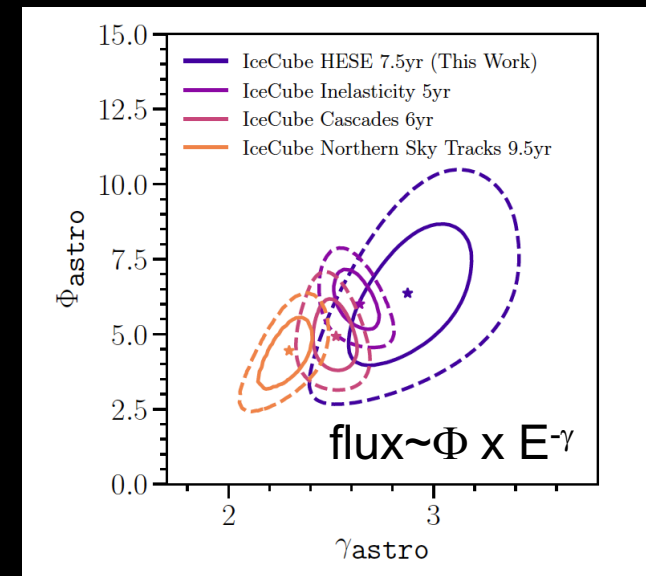
- Data set major update (2020)
- Improved reconstruction and systematics
- low energy events for oscillation physics



## “Double Double” tau-neutrino candidate



## Spectrum index



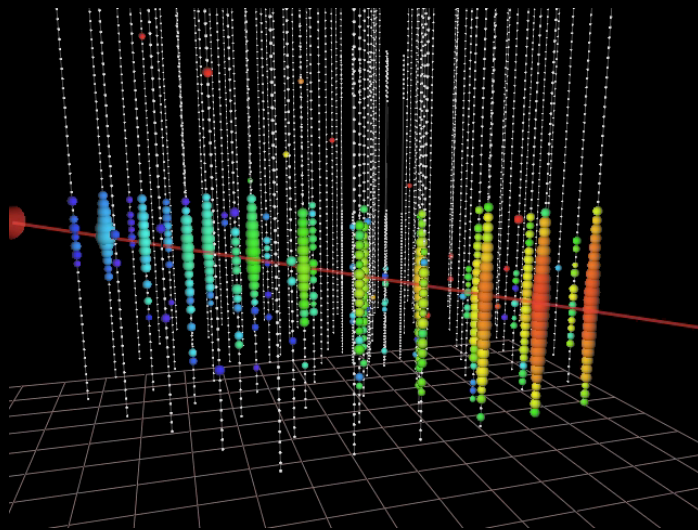
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## Point source & transient events

- Multi-messenger astronomy (optics, GW)
- Realtime alert (2016)
- Blazar neutrino (2018)



IC170922A (290TeV)

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## Fermi-LAT detection of increased gamma-ray activity of TXS 0506+056, located inside the IceCube-170922A error region.

ATel #10791; *Yasuyuki T. Tanaka (Hiroshima University), Sara Buson (NASA/GSFC), Daniel Kocevski (NASA/MSFC) on behalf of the Fermi-LAT collaboration*

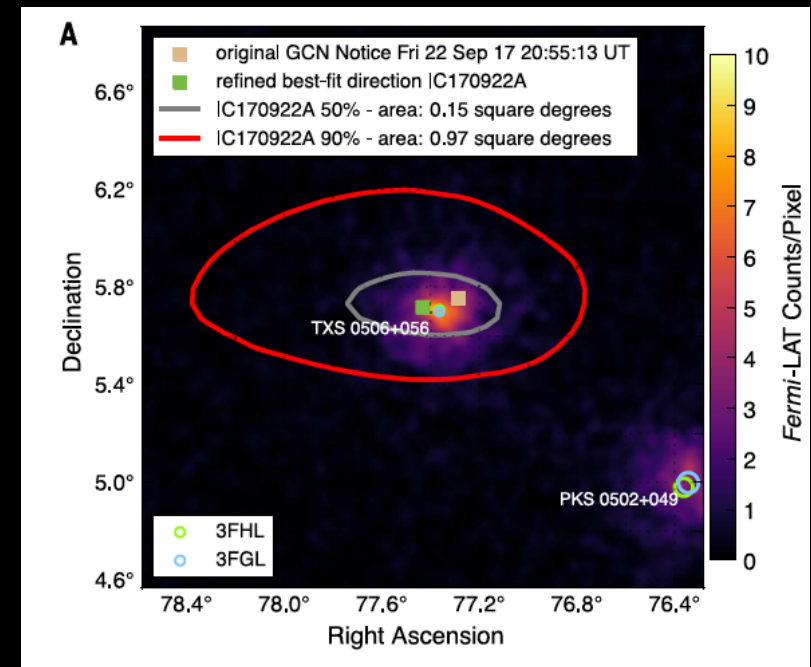
on 28 Sep 2017; 10:10 UT

Credential Certification: David J. Thompson (David.J.Thompson@nasa.gov)

Subjects: Gamma Ray, Neutrinos, AGN

Referred to by ATel #: 10792, 10794, 10799, 10801, 10817, 10830, 10831, 10833, 10838, 10840, 10844, 10845, 10861, 10890, 10942, 11419, 11430, 11489

## Fermi-LAT



Full coverage, radio wavelength to gamma rays by everyone: Fermi-LAT, MAGIC, AGILE, ASAS-SN, HAWC, H.E.S.S, INTEGRAL, Kanata, Kiso, Kapteyn, Liverpool Telescope, Subaru, Swift/NuSTAR, VERITAS, VLA/17B-403

# IceCube-Gen2

IceCube-Gen2 include many projects

- Larger IceCube array ( $\sim 8$ )
- ARA (Askaryan Radio-telescope Array)
- PINGU (oscillation physics)
  - IceCube Upgrade (7 new PINGU strings, 2023)
- New sensors, calibration devices, surface array

IceCube-UK

- Funding: CG, Royal Society, university
- Analyses: Oscillation [EPJC80\(2020\)9](#)

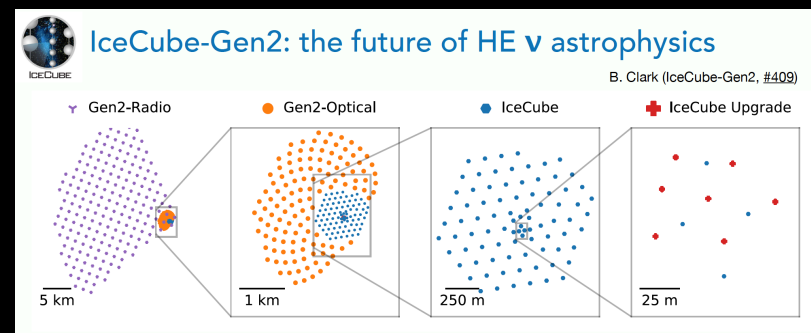
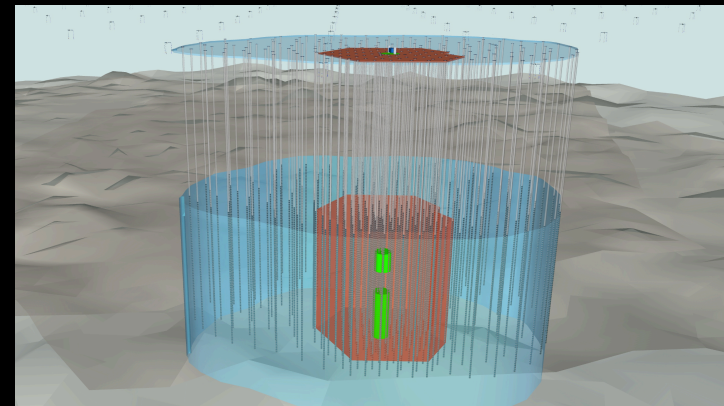
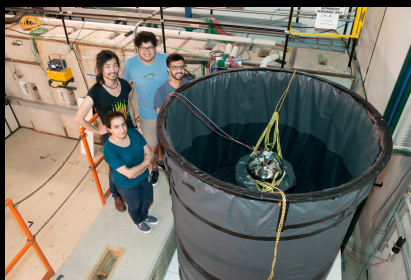
[PRD101\(2020\)032006](#), BSM physics [Nature Physics](#)

[14\(2018\)961](#), flux/xs studies [PRD95\(2017\)023012](#)

[JPhysG42\(2015\)115004](#), etc

- Software: Oscillation fit code [NIMA977\(2020\)164332](#),  
Bayesian BSM fit [ArXiv:2011.03545](#), etc

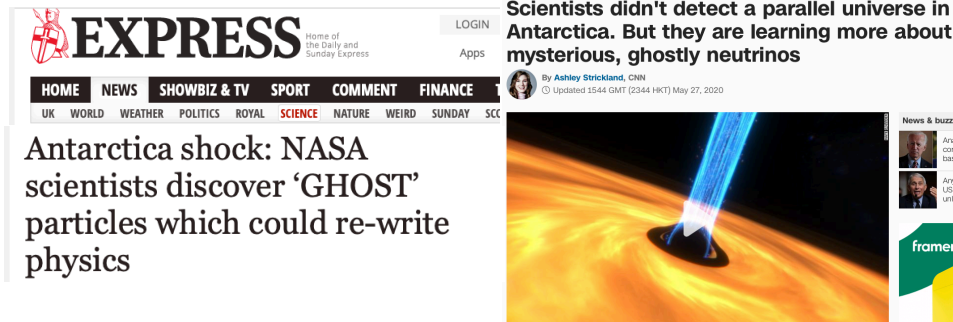
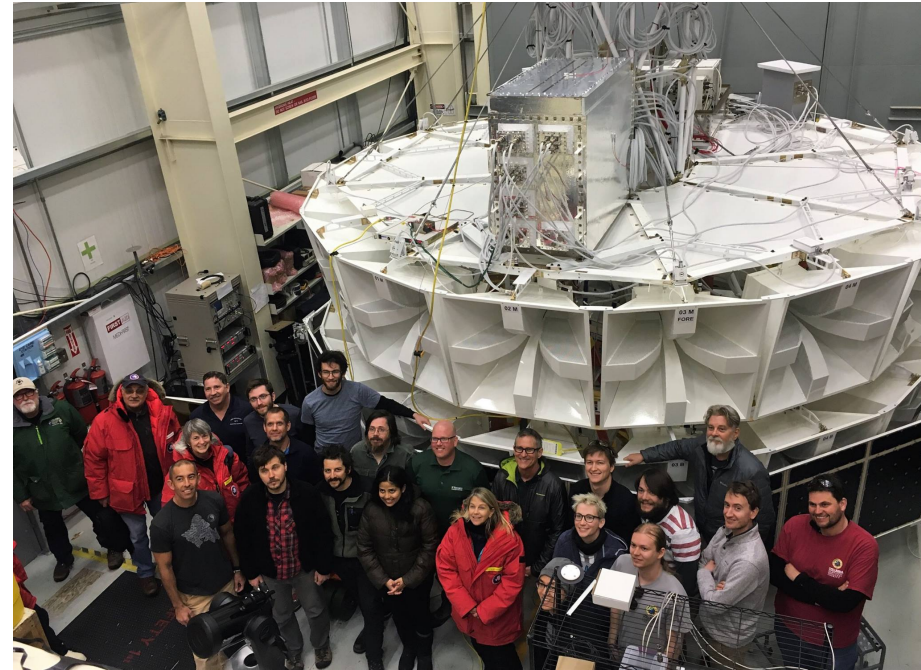
- Hardware: Fermilab beam test [JINST15\(2020\)T05002](#),  
etc





# ANITA Past

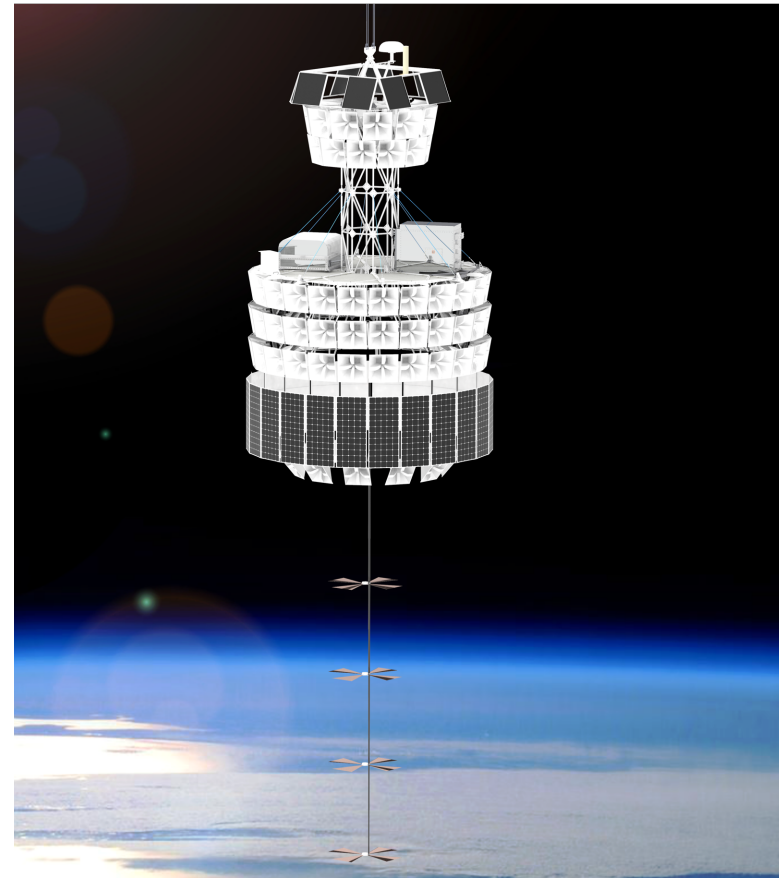
- Ultra-high energy neutrino search experiment using radio-Cherenkov technique
  - Searching for the neutrinos that come from the highest energy cosmic rays
- UK have been involved in all four ANITA flights (2006-2016/17)
  - Significant fraction of the collaboration (3/16th of on-ice effort)
  - Funded by STFC (PRD & CG), Royal Society and Leverhulme Trust
  - ‘Anomalous’ events which have resulted in ‘interesting’ theoretical interpretations... caused some fun headlines in 2019/2020.





# PUEO: Payload for Ultrahigh Energy Observations

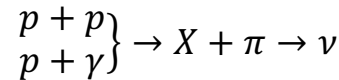
- A new name and a new paradigm
  - Embracing the technological advances to implement a trigger based on high-bandwidth digital filtering and beam forming
  - Prototype digitisation system based on XILINX RFSoc (FPGA) under development at UCL (and in the US)
- NASA Astrophysics Pioneers announcement expected this week with a launch date of December 2024
  - UCL and QMUL collaborators



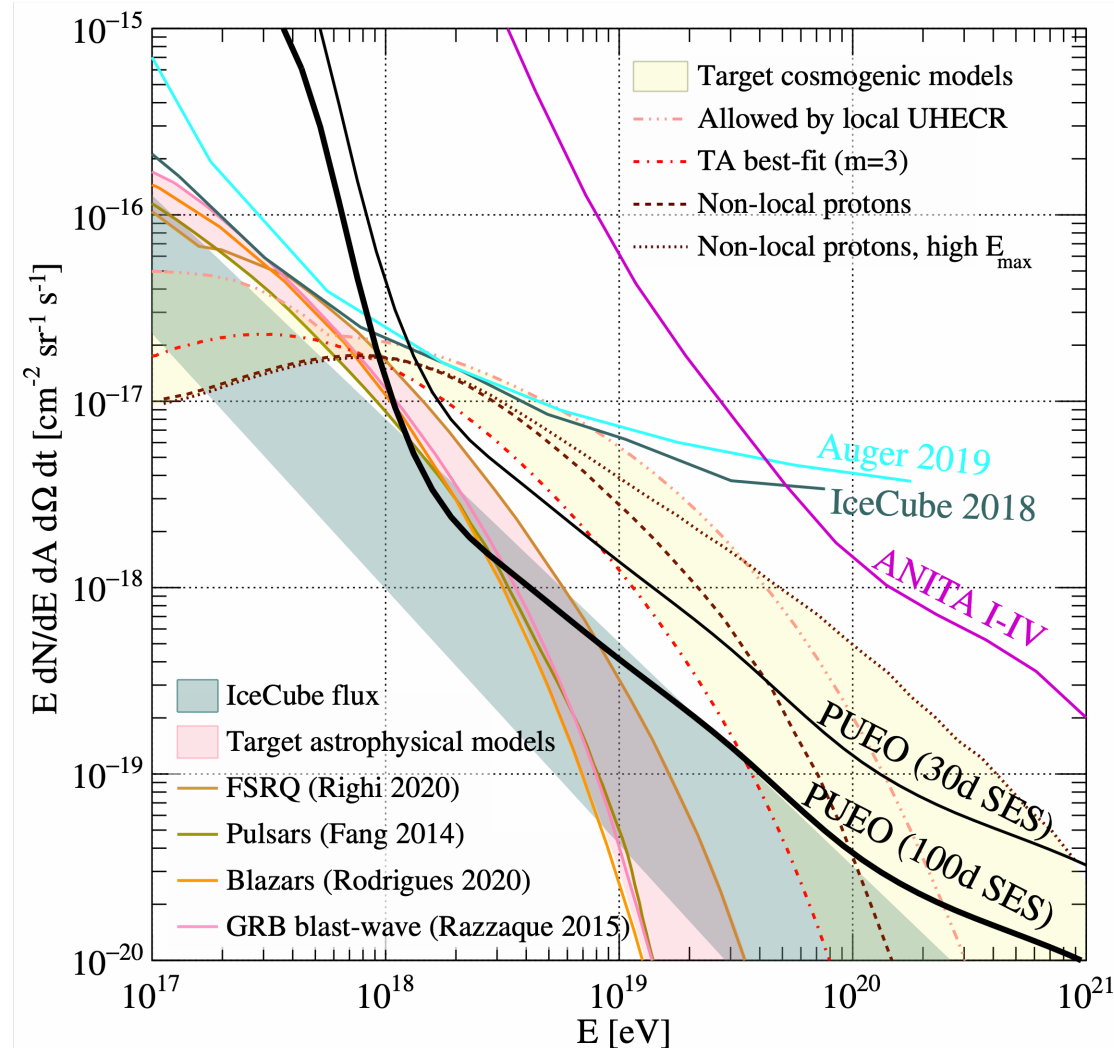
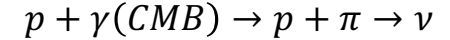
# PUEO Sensitivity

- World-leading cosmogenic neutrino sensitivity
- World-leading astrophysical neutrino sensitivity at EeV energies
- Dark matter sensitivity (e.g. decays of heavy DM particles)
- Unique energy regime for neutrino-nucleon cross-section measurements
- Other exotic searches (Lorentz violation, the anomalous ANITA events?)

Astrophysical neutrinos



Cosmogenic neutrinos



# Pacific Ocean Neutrino Experiment



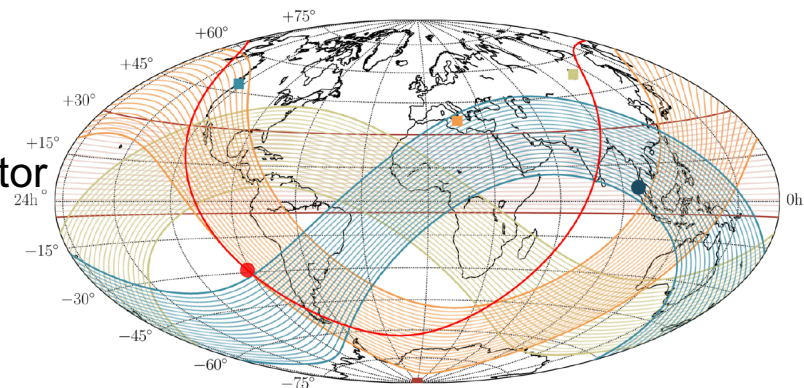
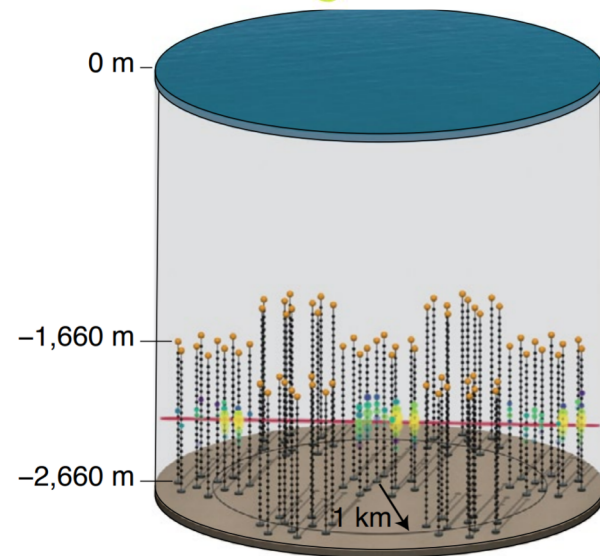
## P-ONE:

- Optimized for horizontal tracks, effective ~ IceCube
- **Reliable** underwater infrastructure & detector installation provided by Ocean Network Canada (Vancouver)
- Up to factor 10 coverage increase, sensitive to galactic center

## Status:

- 2018: first string in situ, **verified** water properties (STRAW)
- 2023: installation of 10 strings, **funding** to be secured in 2021
- 2028: completion of detector

**UCL initial contributions:** STRAW data analysis, detector design and physics potential studies



# UK High-Energy Neutrino Astronomy Consortium(?)

Many projects to cover variety of topics

- We are in the process to form a group beyond each collaboration.
- Realistic future plan of the UK high-energy neutrino astronomy

