

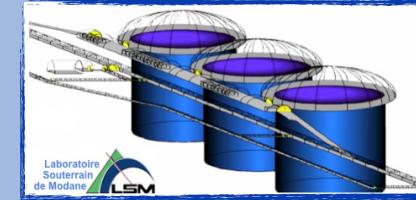
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# **UNDERGROUND STUDIES AND R&D TOWARDS MEGATONNE DETECTORS AT LSM**

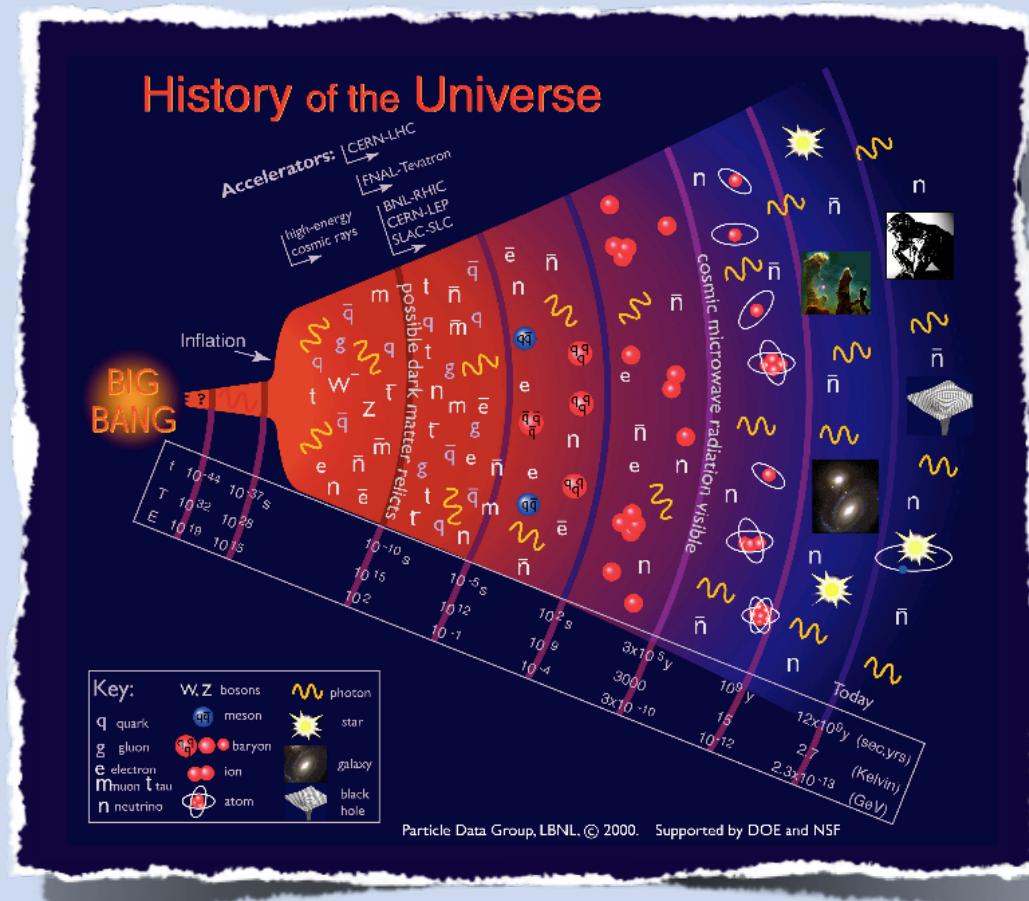
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# SUMMARY

- Fundamental questions
- European position
  - LAGUNA sites
  - DETECTORS under study
- MEMPHYS
  - Detector geometry
  - Physic channels
  - Simulation and bkg studies
  - R&D
- Memphyno
  - Idea
  - Design
  - Actual Status



# ..WHY? HOW?..



The GUT need a measure of proton decay to be proven

Measured CP baryonic violation is not enough  
=> need a knew type: Lepton CP violation

The Big Bang origin of the Universe requires matter and antimatter to be equally abundant at the very hot beginning.

# The Great Annihilation

1 particle out of 10 billion pairs of particles and anti-particles left over...

$$\eta = \frac{n_b - n_{\bar{b}}}{n_\gamma} \sim 10^{-10}$$



# Baryogengesis

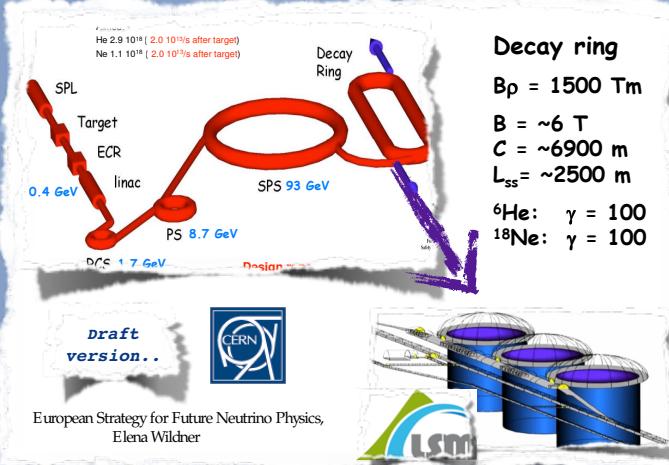
# Lepto-Baryongenesis

## Interaction conservation of B+L

# MAY BE ANSWERS..

## Particle Physics

Proton decay  
CP-violation in neutrinos  
(combination atmospheric,  
reactors and beam neutrinos)



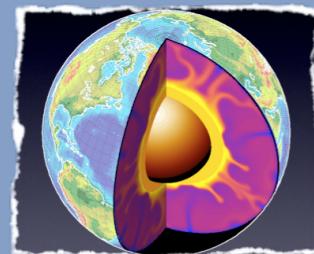
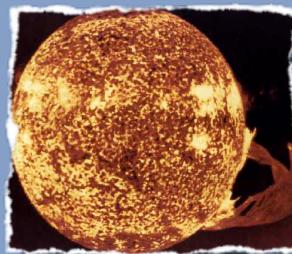
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## Neutrino Astronomy

Supernova neutrinos, diffuse SN neutrinos,  
solar neutrinos, geo-neutrinos, dark matter  
annihilation..



Supernova 1987A  
23 February 1987

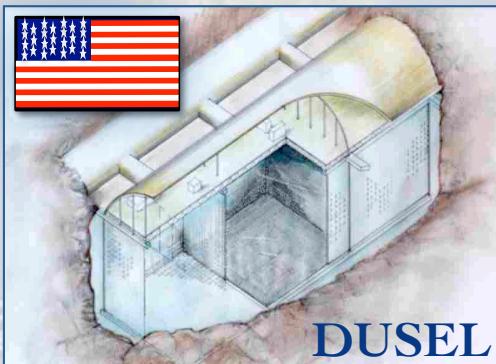


Geo-neutrinos for  
Earth studies

The ApPEC Steering Committee has mandated the Peer Review Committee to write a Roadmap.  
ApPEC roadmap recommendation: **large neutrino detectors.**

This design study should take into account worldwide efforts and converge, on a time scale of 2010, to a common proposal.

# EUROPEAN POSITION



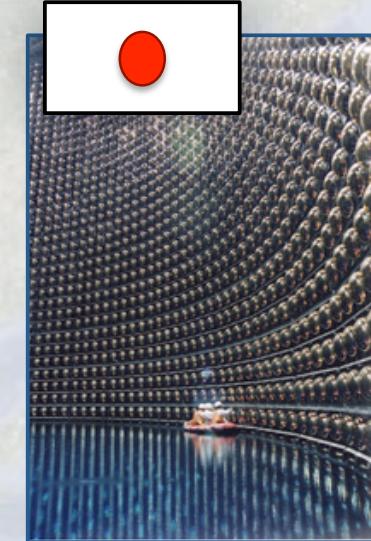
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## • LAGUNA

Design of a pan-European Infrastructure for Large Apparatus studying Grand Unification and Neutrino Astrophysics.



HyperKamiokande  
Liq.Arg.

## • EUROnu

A High Intensity Neutrino Oscillation Facility in Europe Study: Physics performance of detectors to measure neutrino oscillation parameters with SuperBeam and BetaBeam and Neutrino factory, including detailed response and backgrounds.

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# LAGUNA



... In a

Large Apparatus for Grand Unification and  
Neutrino Astrophysics

## Proton Decay:

• limit up to  $10^{35}$  y

## Neutrino Physics:

- supernovae neutrinos  
(explosion and relic)
- atmospheric neutrinos
- solar neutrinos
- accelerator neutrinos  
(Superbeam, BetaBeam, NeutrinoFactory)
- geo-neutrinos

= > 7 candidate sites:

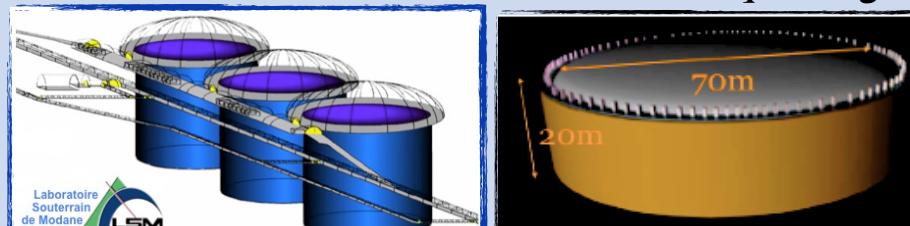
- Boulby
- Fréjus
- Caso
- LSC
- Pyhäsalmi
- Sunlab
- IFIN-HH



LENA: Liquid Scint.

<http://laguna.ethz.ch>

MEMPHYS: Water Čerenkov    GLACIER: Liquid Argon



# LAGUNA

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Neutrino Astrophysics

## Proton Decay:

- limit up to  $0.4 \cdot 10^{35}$  y:  $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + K^+$

## Neutrino Physics:

- supernovae:  $\sim 9,3,7 \cdot 10^3$  CC, NC, ES
- DSNB: (S/B) 9-110/7 (per 5 y)
- solar:  ${}^8\text{B}$  (ES:  $10^4$ , CC: 360),  ${}^7\text{Be}$ :  $10^6$ , pep:  $7.7 \cdot 10^4$
- geo-neutrinos:  $\sim 1000$  ev. (per y)



## DETECTOR LAYOUT

### Cavern

height: 115 m, diameter: 50 m  
shielding from cosmic rays:  $\sim 4,000$  m.w

### Muon Veto

plastic scintillator panels (on top)  
Water Cherenkov Detector  
1,500 phototubes  
100 kt of water  
reduction of fast  
neutron background

### Steel Cylinder

height: 100 m, diameter: 30 m  
70 kt of organic liquid  
13,500 phototubes

### Buffer

thickness: 2 m  
non-scintillating organic liquid  
shielding external radioactivity

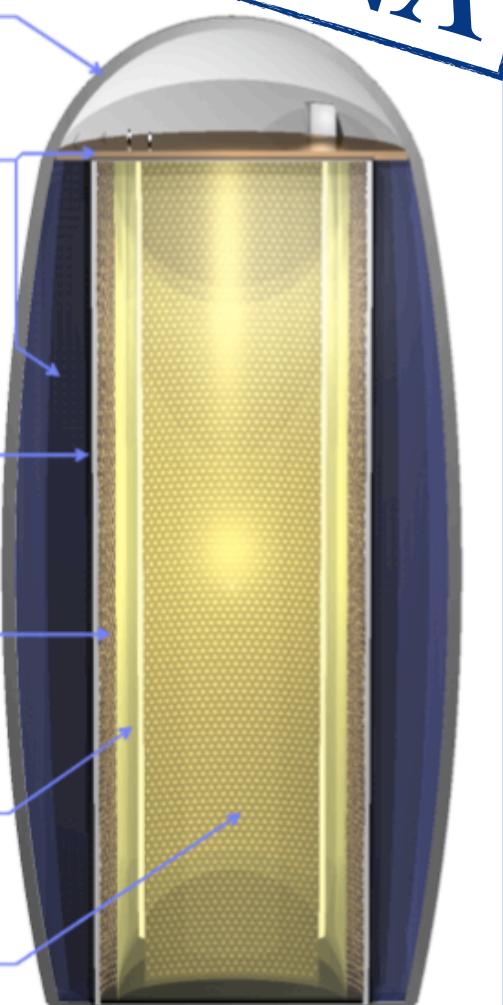
### Nylon Vessel

parting buffer liquid  
from liquid scintillator

### Target Volume

height: 100 m, diameter: 26 m  
50 kt of liquid scintillator

LENA



# LAGUNA

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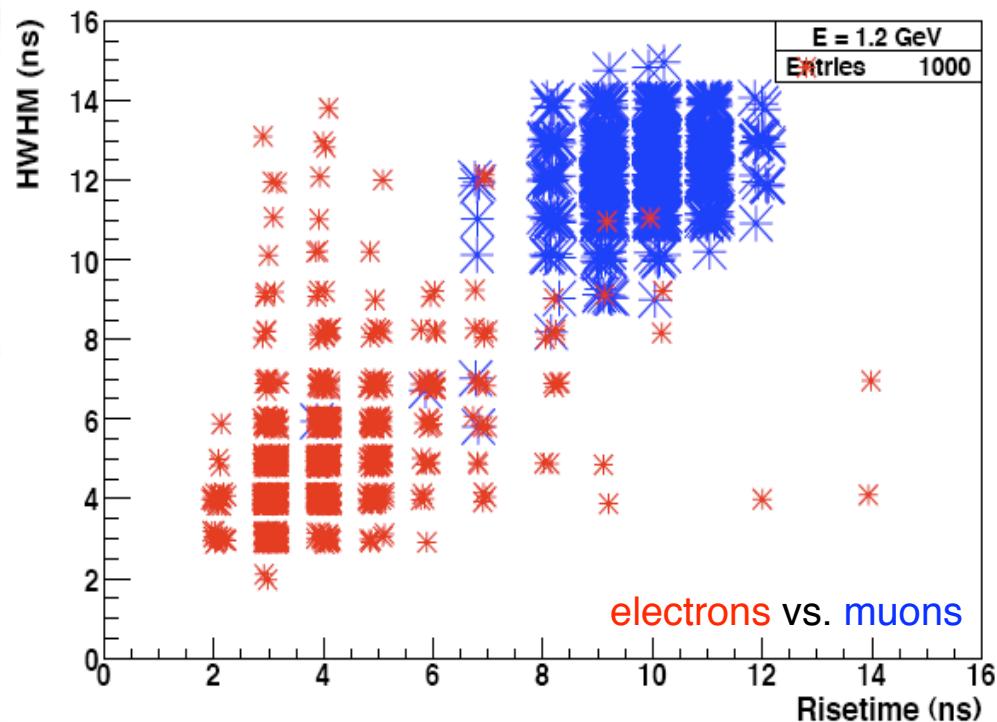


Large Apparatus for Grand Unification and  
Neutrino Astrophysics

## Proton Decay:

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## Neutrino from beams:



## DETECTOR LAYOUT

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1,500 phototubes  
100 kt of water

**LENA**

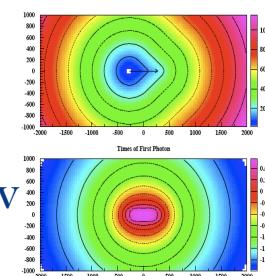
## Tracking Capabilities

- primary photon arrival times
- angular resolution:  $<1^\circ$

## Particle Identification

Particle track-reconstruction  
using photon arrival times and  
mean charge distributions.

Expected  
energy  
resolution:  
~2.5% @1GeV



T. Marrodán Undagoitia, Phd thesis  
J. G. Learned, hep-ex/0902.4009  
J. Peltoniemi, arXiv

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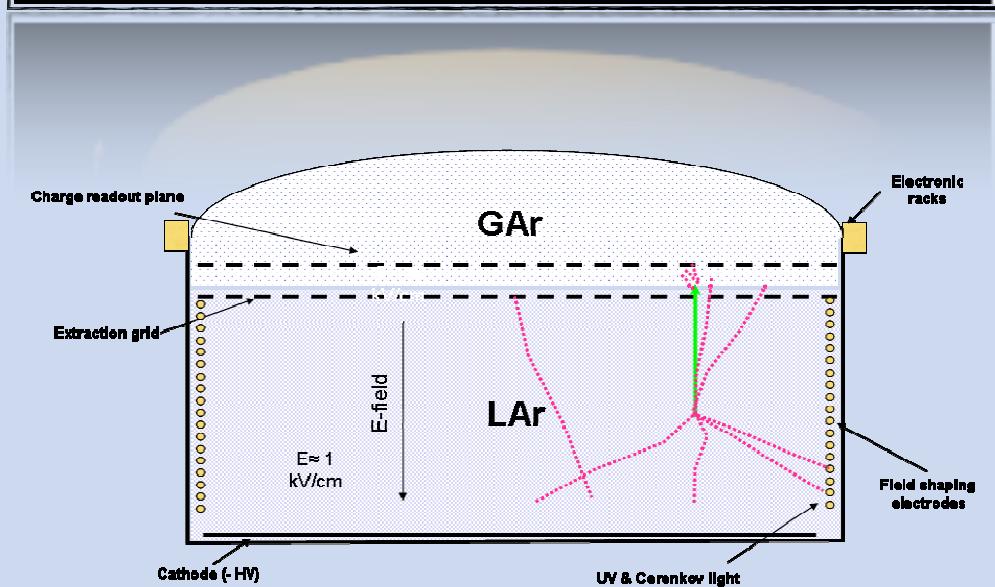
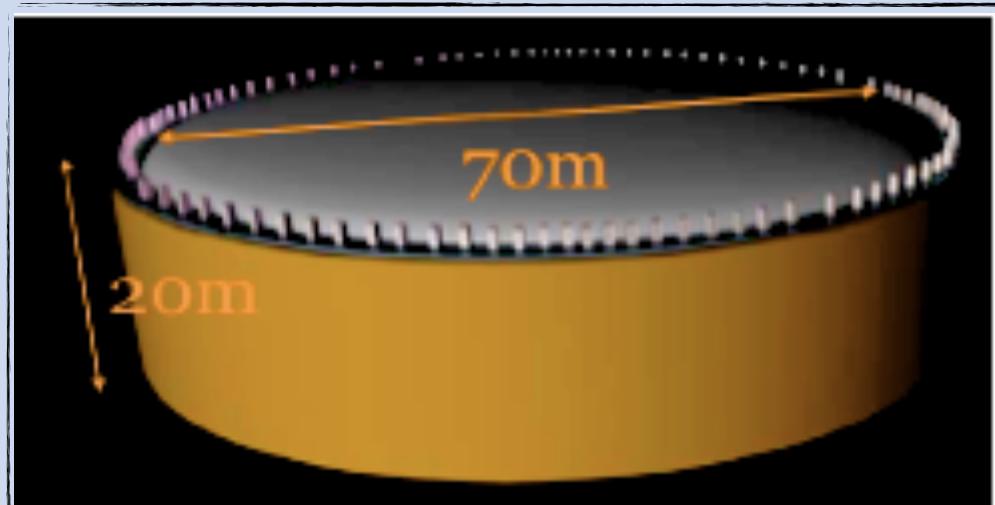
- limit up to  $1.1 \cdot 10^{35}$  y:  $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + K^+$
- limit up to  $0.5 \cdot 10^{35}$  y:  $p \rightarrow e^+ + \pi^0$

## Neutrino Physics:

- supernovae:  $\sim 2.5, 3 \cdot 10^4$ , CC, NC,  $10^3$  ES
- DSNB: (S/B) 40-60/30 (per 5 y)
- solar neutrinos:  ${}^8\text{B}$ :  $4.5 \cdot 10^4$  (ES)
- atmospheric:  $10^4$  ev. (per y)

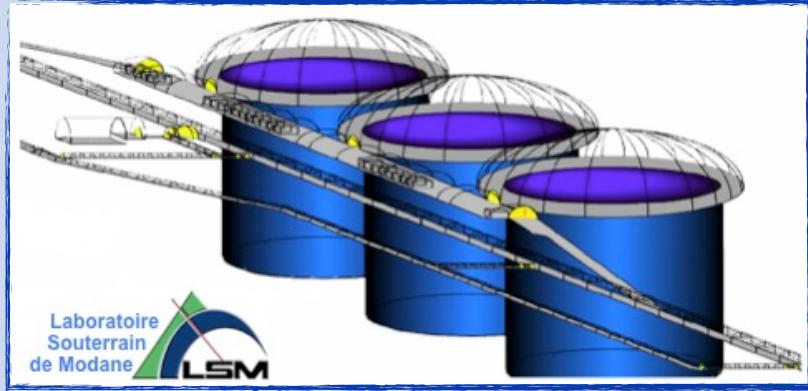


# GLACIER



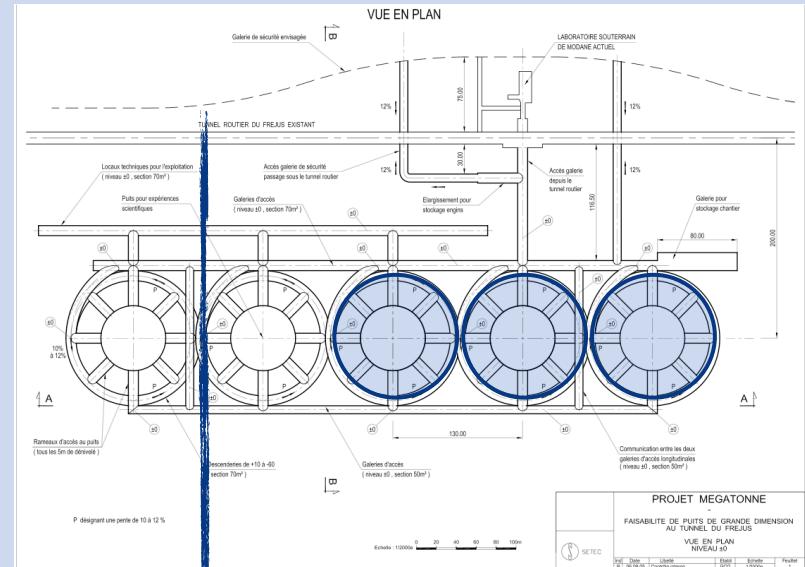
# MEMPHYS

MEgaton Mass PHYSics



- Water Čerenkov (“cheap and stable”)
- Fiducial mass: 440 kt
- Baseline:
  - 3 (or 5) cylindric modules 60 x 65 m;
  - Size limited by the attenuation length ( $\lambda \sim 80\text{m}$ ) and the pressure on the PMTs;
  - Readout: 12"-10" PMTs, 30% geom. coverage

[http://www.apc.univ-paris7.fr/APC\\_CS/Experiences/MEMPHYS/](http://www.apc.univ-paris7.fr/APC_CS/Experiences/MEMPHYS/)  
arXiv: hep-ex/0607026



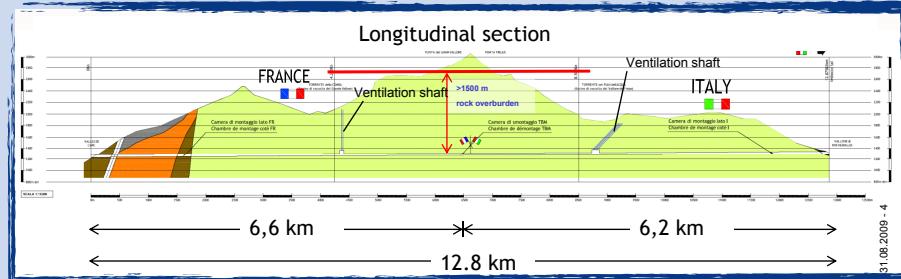
**Underground site.** Studied in an European program: cavity, rock, infrastructure for the cavern choice.

**Detailed study for possible installation in extension of LSM at Fréjus site on going:**

- 130 Km from CERN, ~ 4800 m.w.e.
- Tank studies are carried out in Laguna;

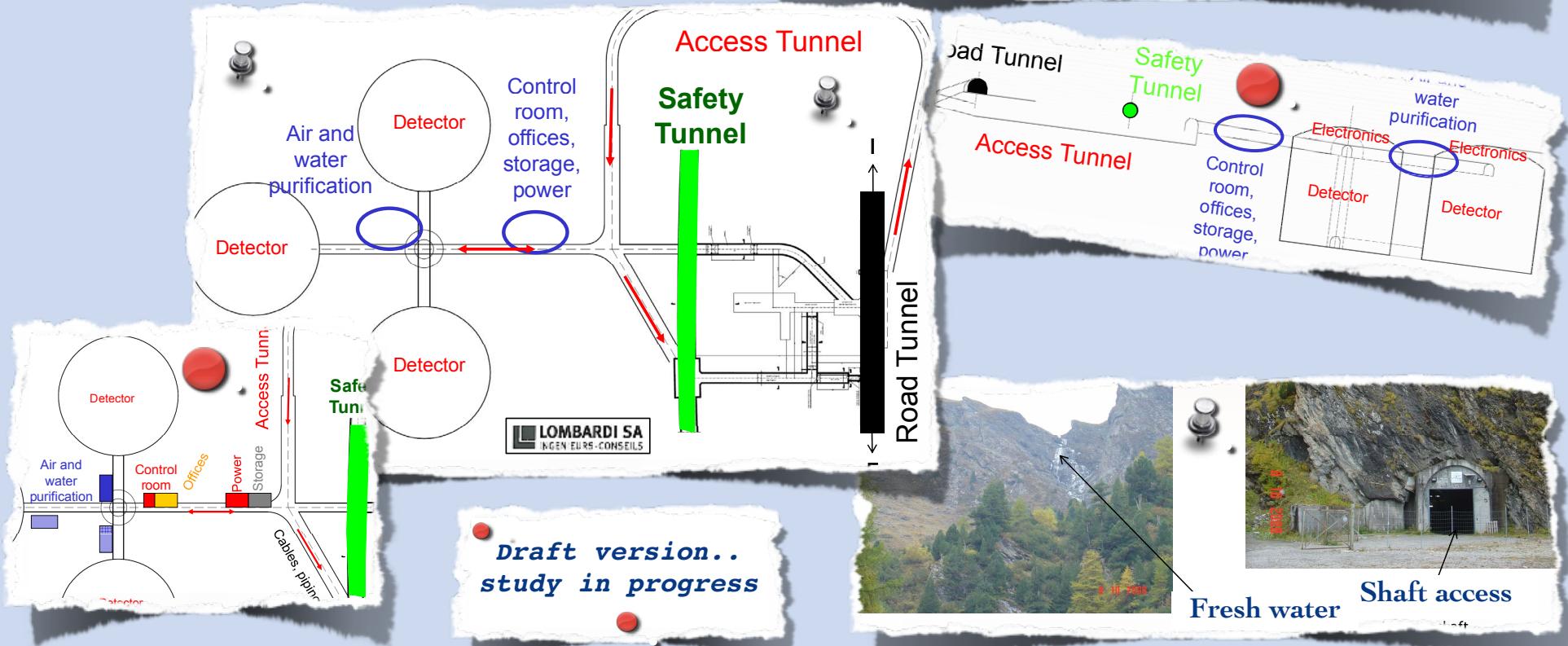
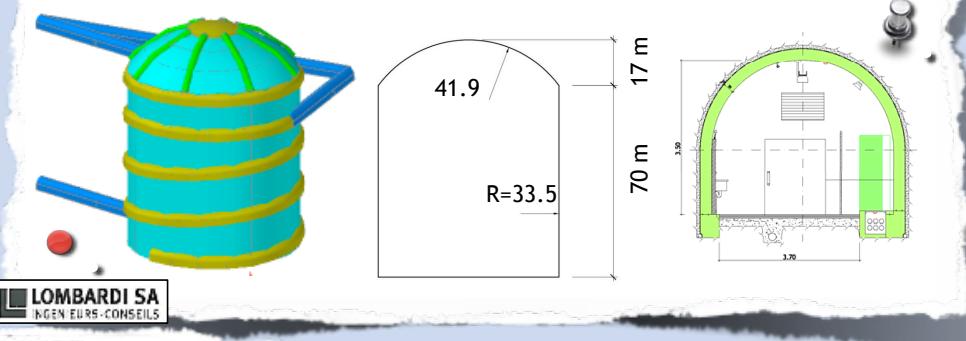
# MEMPHYS

MEgaton Mass PHYSics



## Possible Layouts and design at Fréjus

Proposed cavern excavation and layout for the LAGUNA



# Physics channels@ MEMPHYS

**Summary of the physics potential of Memphys (440 ktons).** The (\*) stands for the case where some Gd is added.

## Proton decay

$e^+ \pi^0$	$1.0 \times 10^{35}$
anti- $\nu$ K <sup>+</sup>	$2 \times 10^{34}$

## SN $\nu$ (10 kpc)

CC	$2.0 \times 10^5 (\bar{\nu}e)$
ES	$1.0 \times 10^3 (e)$

## DSNB $\nu$ (S/B 5 years)

43-109/47	(*)
$^8B$ ES	$1.1 \times 10^5$

## Atm. $\nu$

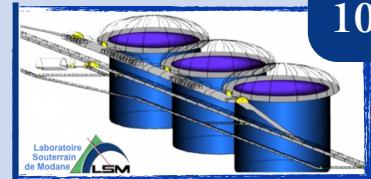
$4.0 \times 10^4$

need 2 Mev thr.

## Reactor $\nu$ (Evts. 1 y)

$6.0 \times 10^4$  (\*)

## PROTON DECAY



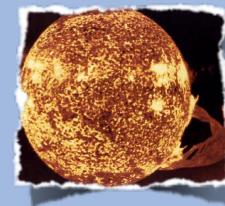
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DIFFUSE  
SUPERNOVA  
NEUTRINOS



SUPERNOVA  
COLLAPSE  
NEUTRINOS

ATMOSPHERIC, SOLAR (ES)  
NEUTRINOS



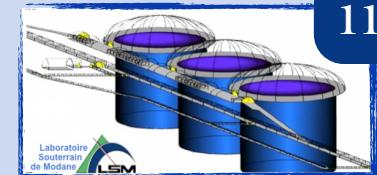
## SUPER-BEAMS

## BETA-BEAMS

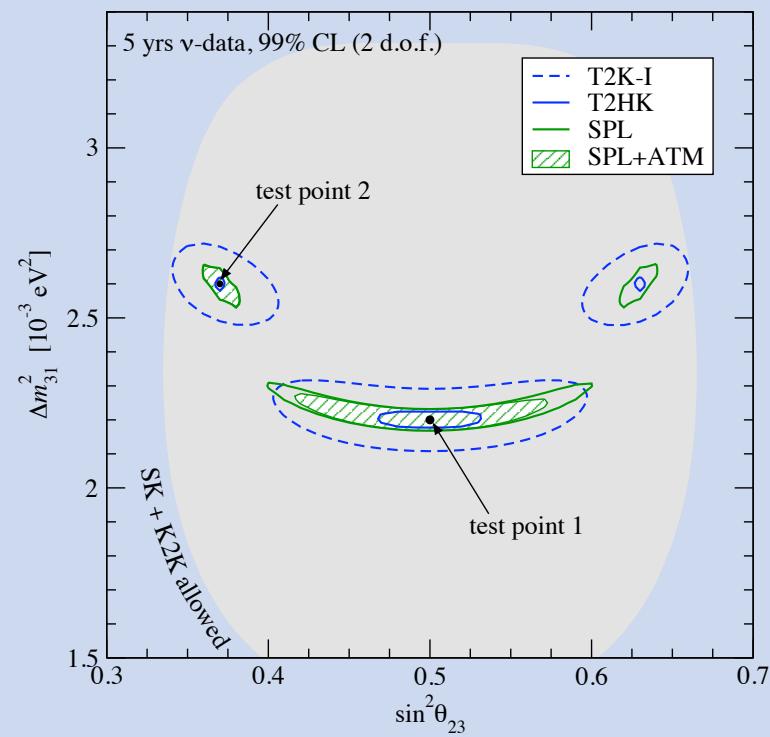
## NEUTRINO

## BEAMS

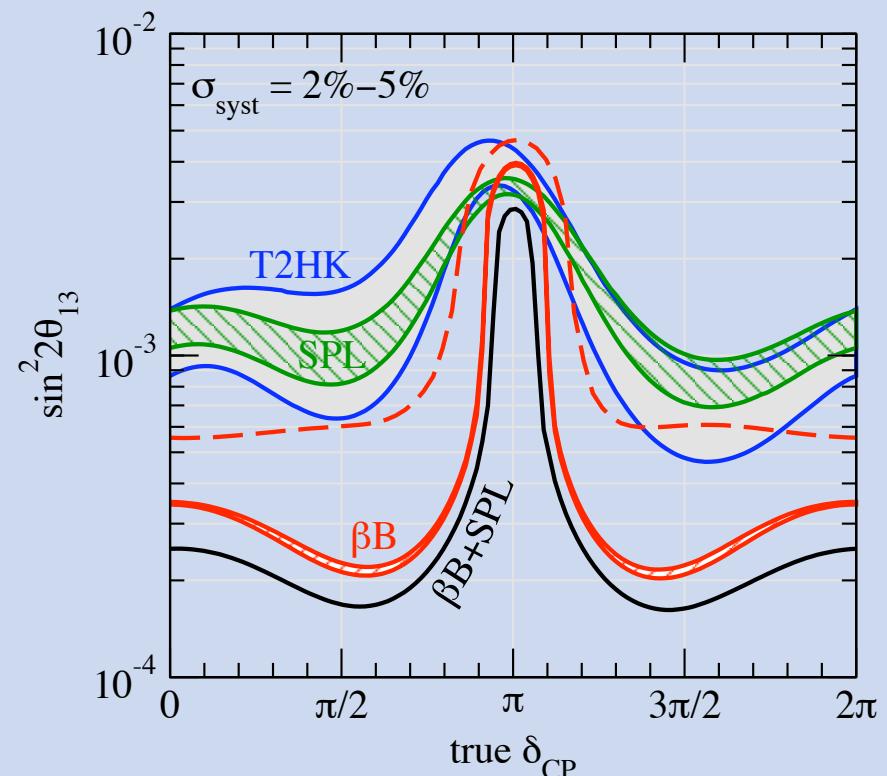
The main goals: search of a non-zero  $\theta_{13}$  angle or its measurement; searching for possible leptonic *CP violation*; determining the **mass hierarchy** and the  $\theta_{23}$  octant.



130 Km CERN-LSM



arXiv:hep-ph/0603172v3

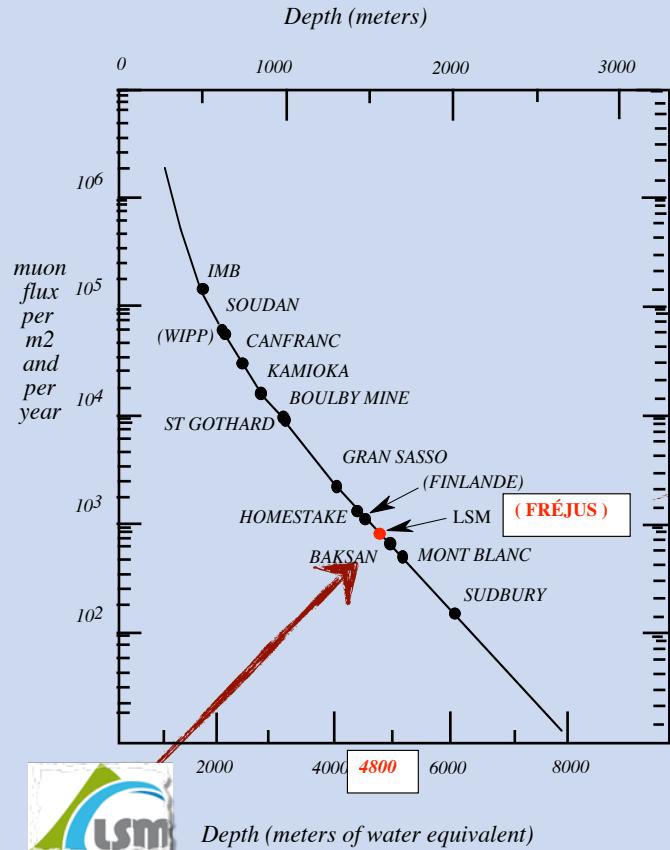


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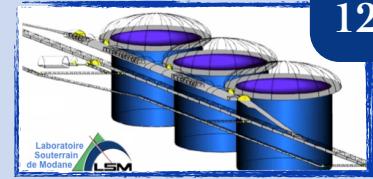
Memphys simulation in Geant4:

NUANCE for  $\nu$  beam,  $\nu$   
Atmospheric & Proton Decay.  
**Future developments:** work in  
progress at APC, LAL, LAPP.

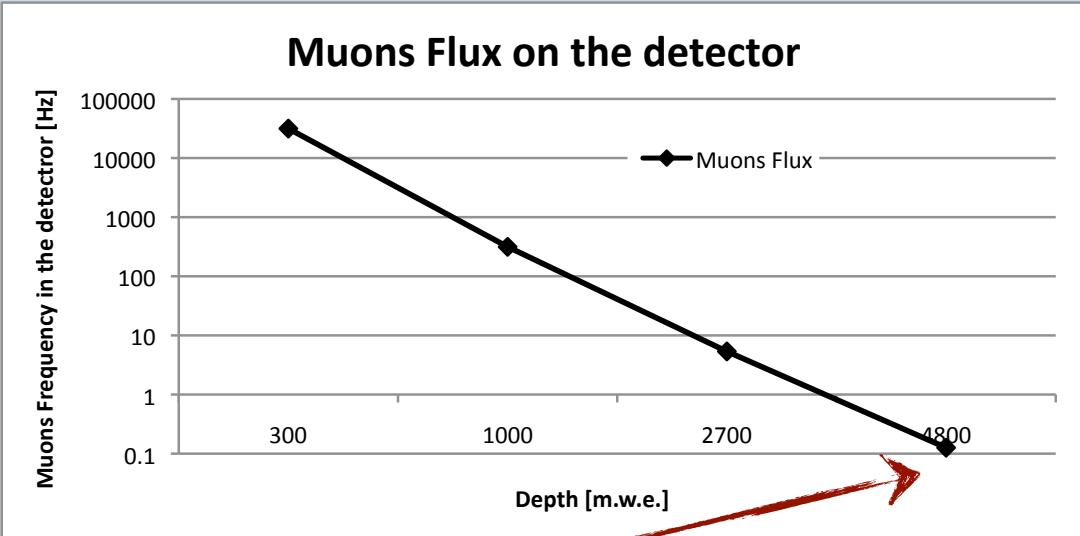


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## SIMULATIONS AND STUDIES



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- Less background;
- Less dead time;
- Less muon spallation;

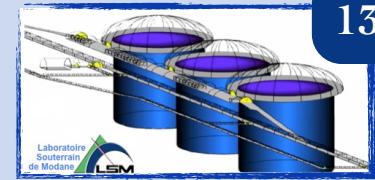
Work in progress for muon interactions in the rock, multiples backgrounds, depth and latitude studies for reactor and atm neutrinos bkg and matter effect in the earth.

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# R&D

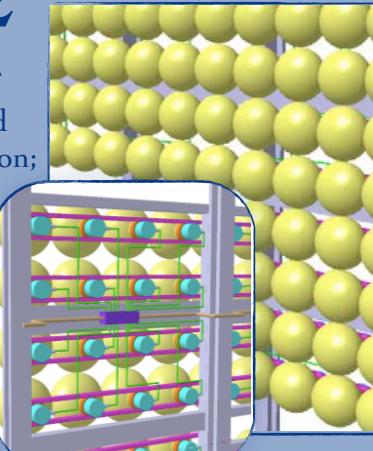


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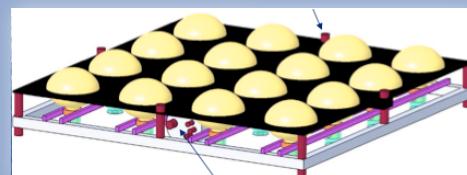
## PMm2

- High number of light sensor: need grouped acquisition;
  - Common HV
  - Common readout
  - Common signal digitization

<http://pmm2.in2p3.fr>

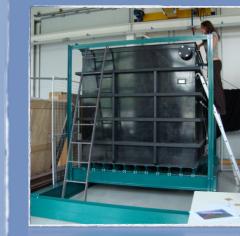
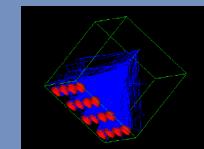
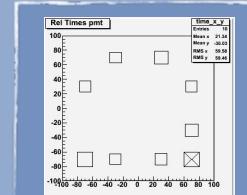
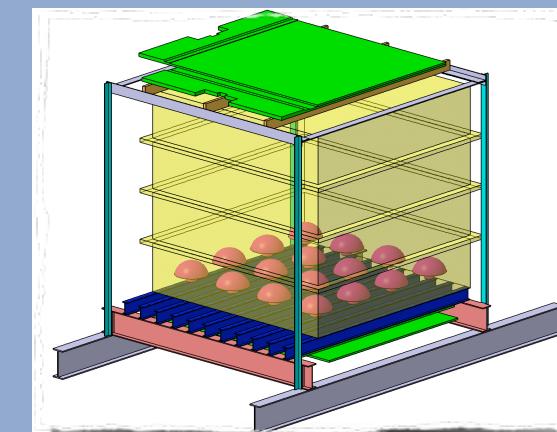


Demonstrator:



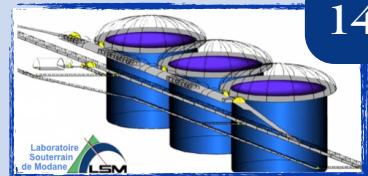
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## Memphyno

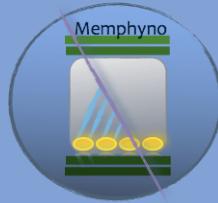


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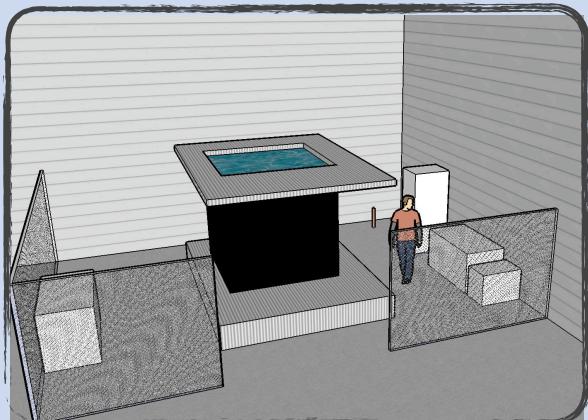
TEST BENCH for  
photodetection and electronic  
solutions for LARGE  
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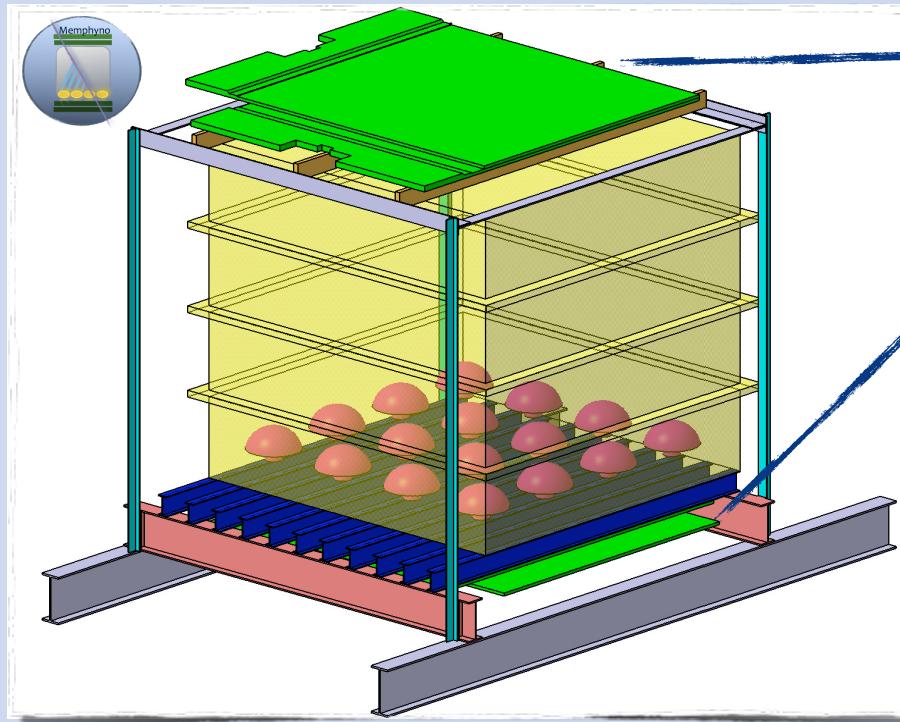
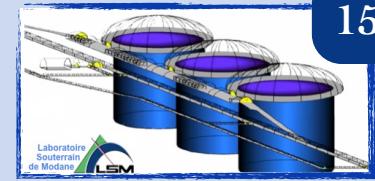
- ~8t of water (+Gd?)
- 2x2x2m<sup>3</sup> HDPE tank
- Matrix of 16 PMTs and/or other photodetectors (e.g.: X-HPX)
- Muon hodoscope:
  - 2+2 planes of OPERA-like scintillator bars
  - 4 Pmt(ino) multi anodes (64 channels)



~ 10 physicists  
~ 5 engineers  
and technicists



- Full test of the “electronic and acquisition” chain;
- Trigger threshold study
- Self-trigger mode
- Track reconstruction performances;
- Gd doping: flexibility and performance.



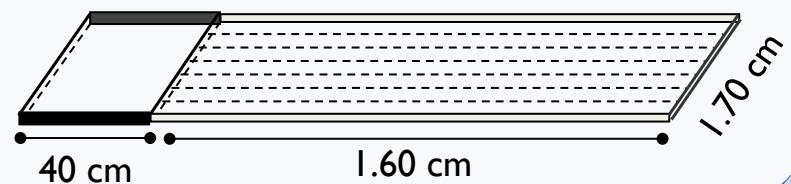
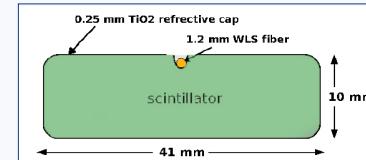
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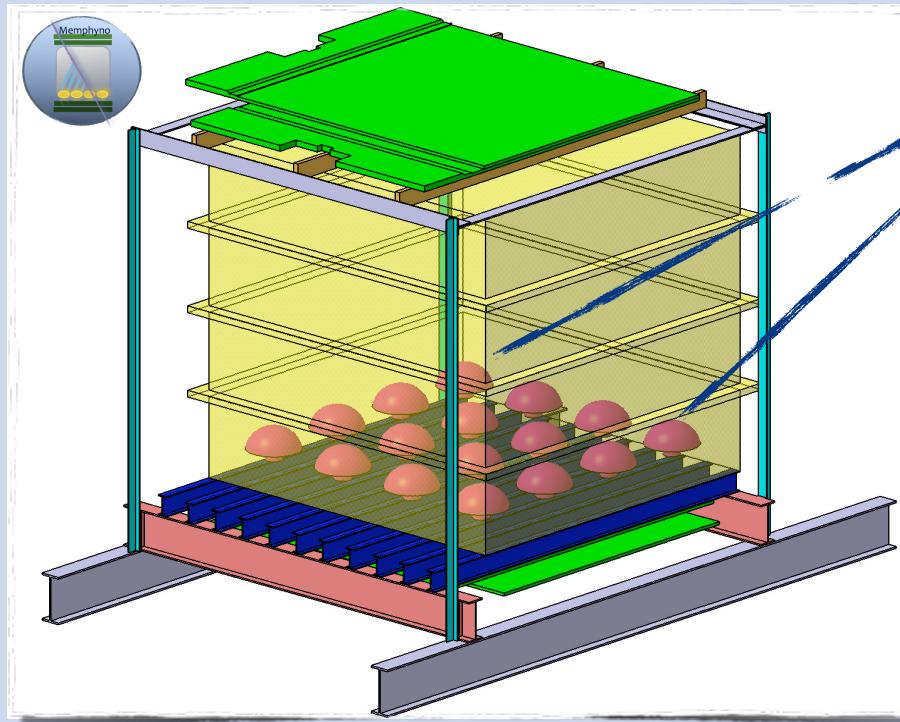
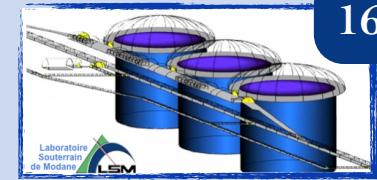
Spares scintillator plans of OPERA

### Muon Hodoscope

- Position x-y of the incoming muon
- “Four-fold Coincidence” for a trigger

Scintillator plans for the  $\mu$  Hodoscope:



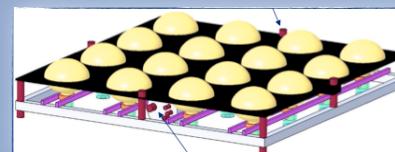


Test with cosmic muons ( $\text{\v{C}erenkov light}$ ).  
The Hodoscope is the trigger of the signals in the PMTs.

### PMTs used to test the matrix acquisition and electronic

- Position x-y of the incoming muon
- “Four-fold Coincidence” for a trigger

The PMm2 electronic will be tested with real Čerenkov light signals.



Test one (then more together) electronic board and the all signal transmission.

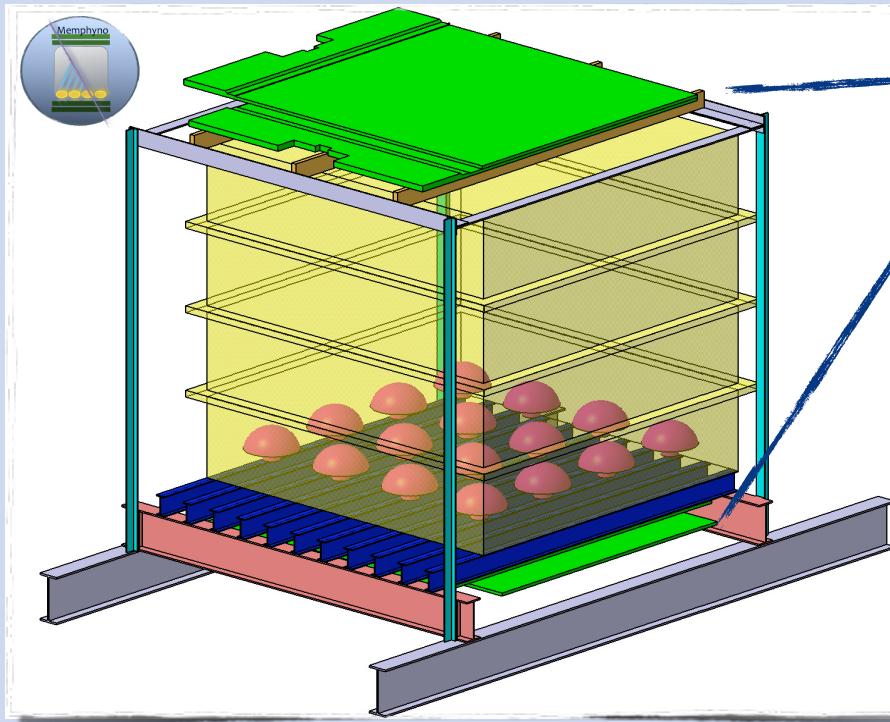
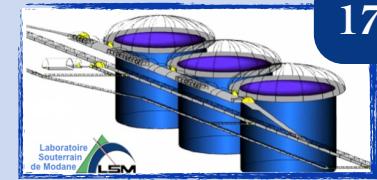
Start with 4 PMT 8":  
Borexino to test our DAQ and Hodoscope-PMTs system.



# MEMPHYNO

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## DAQ



Test with cosmic muons (Čerenkov light).

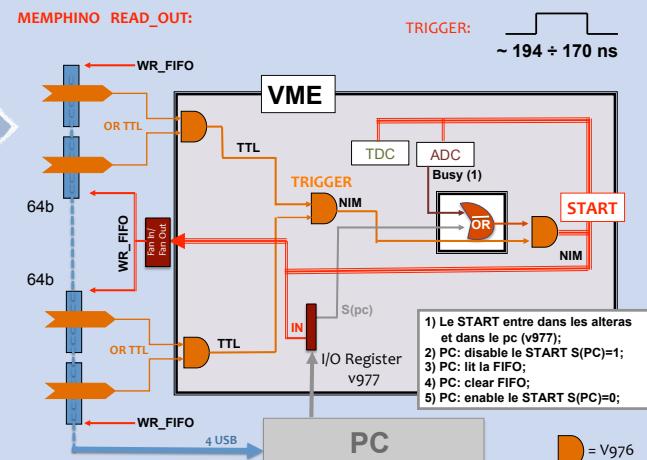
Common effort with PMm2 to make a easy “plugging and play” structure for the electronic and mechanic systems

- Position x-y of the incoming muon
- “Four-fold Coincidence” for a trigger

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PMTs

### Memphyno Read-out schema



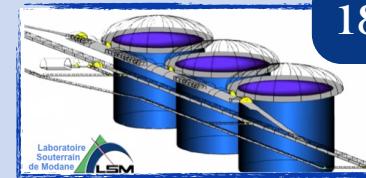
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# MEMPHYNO



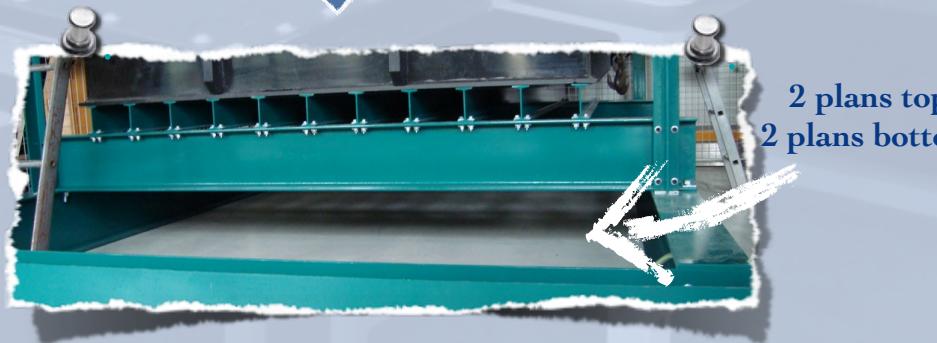
## STATUS AT PRESENT TIME



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### Hodoscope assembling



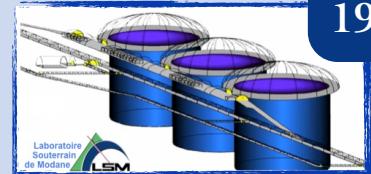
2 plans top  
2 plans bottom



..Soon we will start the acquisition..

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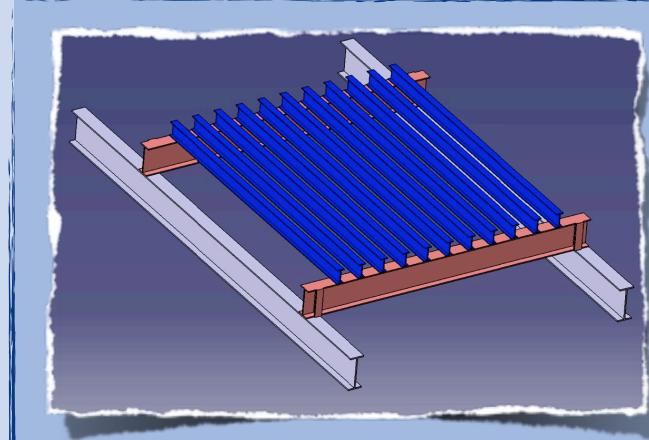
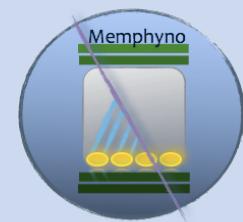
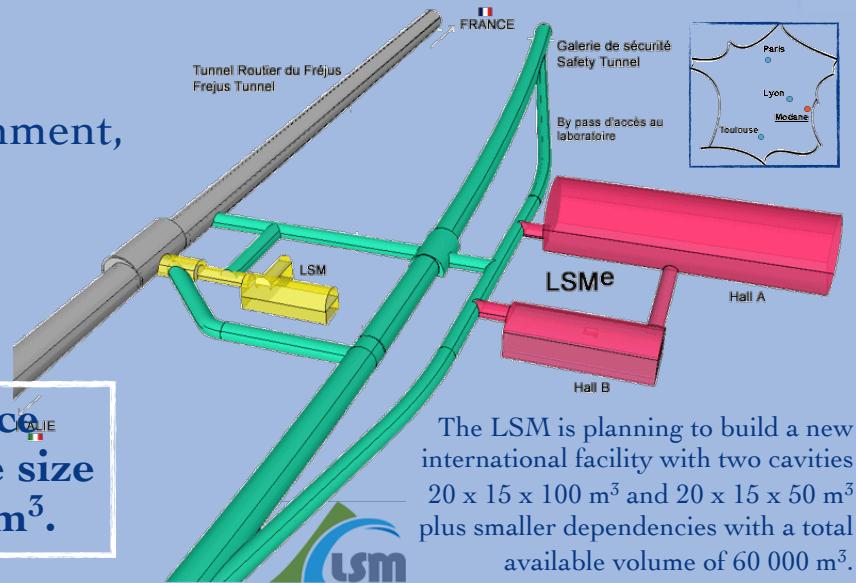


## Measure at Fréjus

Test in an underground environment,  
“the same” of the MEMPHYS:

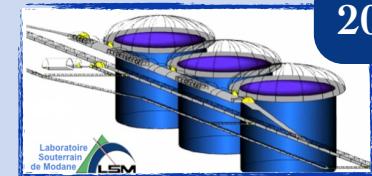
- cosmic muons test
- rocks background test

The currently available space  
( $3 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ m}^3$ ) has determined the size  
of Memphyno's tank:  $2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ m}^3$ .



The support can be completely dissembled (“Ikea style”)!

The grey IPNs can take out  
(used just for weight raisons)

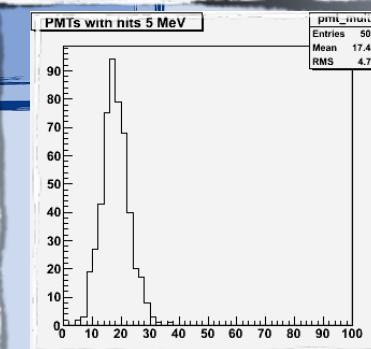
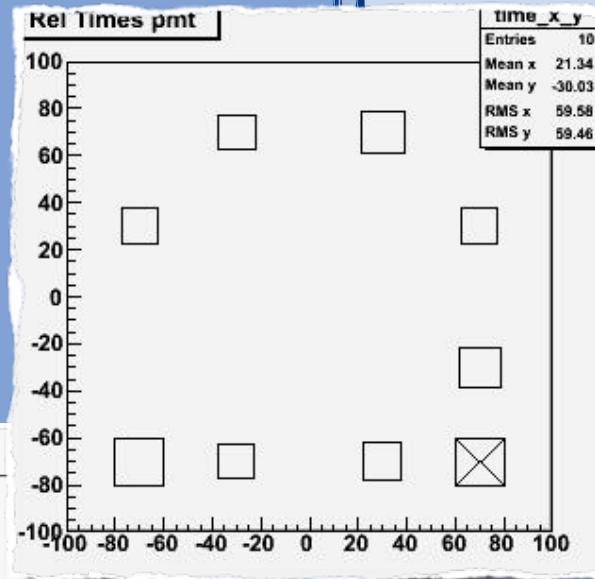
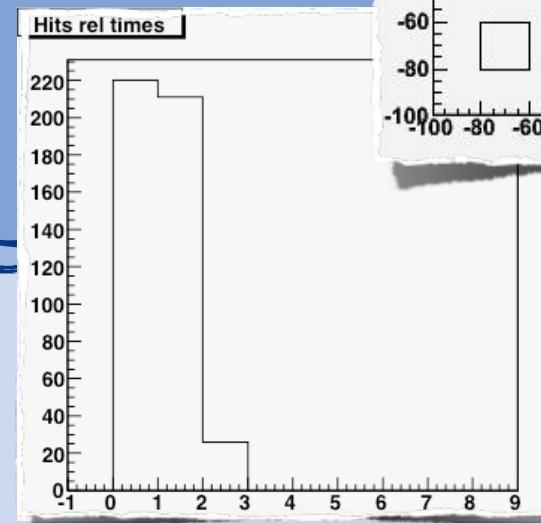


### Measure at beam

*Beam@CERN:* e<sup>-</sup>, K and π.

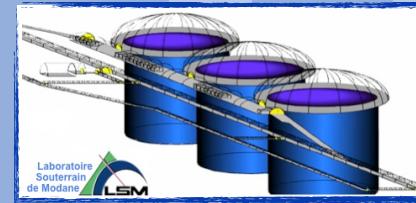
*Beam@LAL:* electrons

- “beam triggered” test
- vertex reconstruction
- cosmic muons bkg

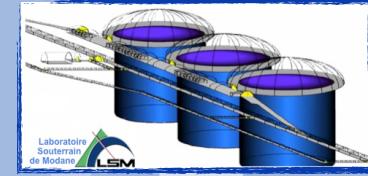


# CONCLUSIONS

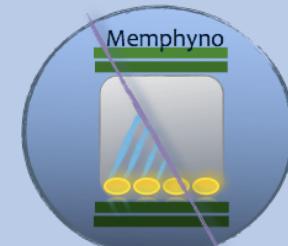
- Europe is active towards a megaton scale water Čerenkov detector: MEMPHYS
  - Envisaged installation at LSM
  - Physic goals:
    - proton decay
    - supernovae core-collapse and diffuse supernova neutrinos
    - precision measurement of neutrino oscillation parameters on beams: 130 km from CERN, SuperBeam or/and Beta-Beam
  - Participation to european projects: Laguna, Euronu, DevDet, ...
  - Simulation and bkg studies ongoing
  - R&D ongoing..
- Memphyno (Small size prototype)
  - Building@APC right now
  - Starting the acquisition soon
  - Future project:
    - beam test (electron)
    - underground test (bkg)



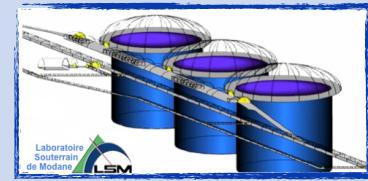
## WATER ČERENKOV R&D IN EUROPE



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# BACKUP

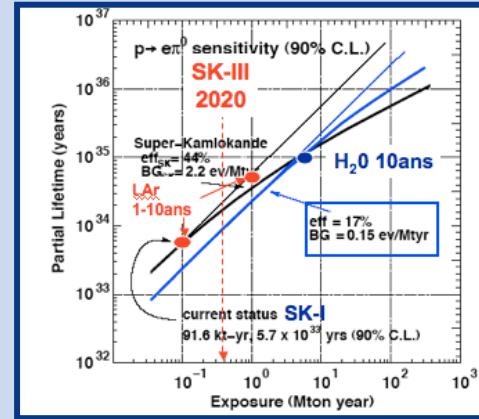


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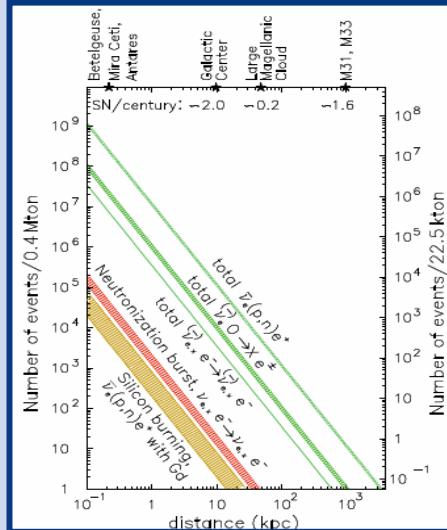
$$p \rightarrow e^+ + \pi^0$$

“Golden channels”

H<sub>2</sub>O better than  
LAr, Scint.



## SUPERNOVA COLLAPSE NEUTRINOS



Fogli et al., hep-ph/0412046

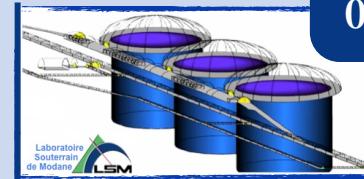
Evidence up to  $\sim 1$  Mpc

Galactic SN: Huge statistics

- SN explosion mechanism: shock waves, neutronization burst

- Neutrino production parameters: rate, spectra
- Neutrino properties

Physics channels@

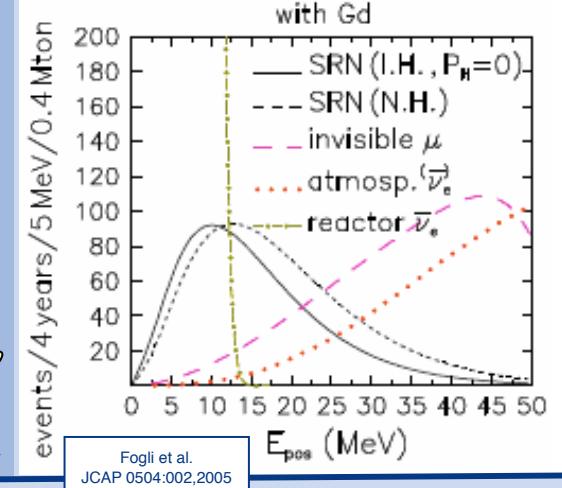
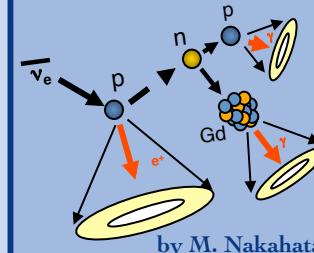


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## PROTON DECAY

arXiv:hep-ex/0005046v1

## DIFFUSE SUPERNOVA NEUTRINOS



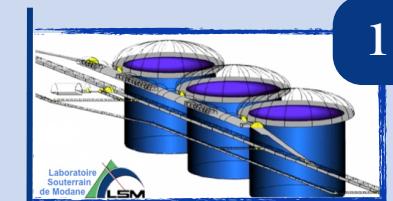
Fogli et al.  
JCAP 0504:002,2005

## ATMOSPHERIC, SOLAR (ES) NEUTRINOS

## Physics channels@

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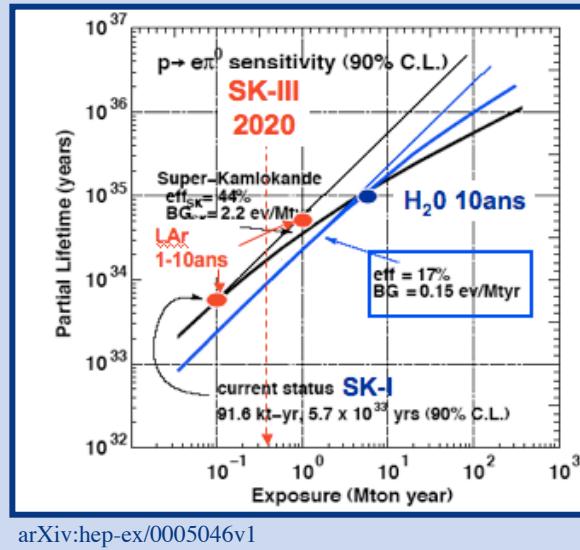
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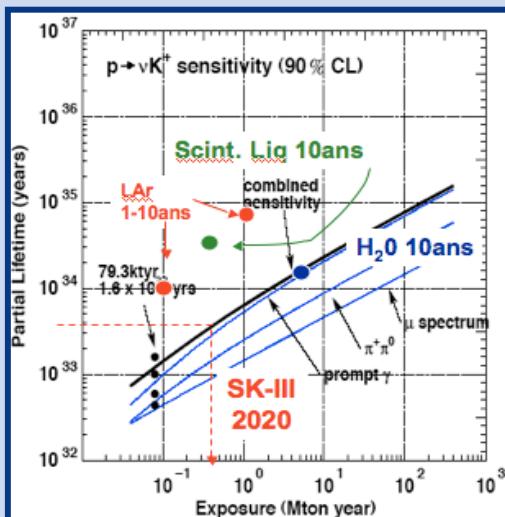
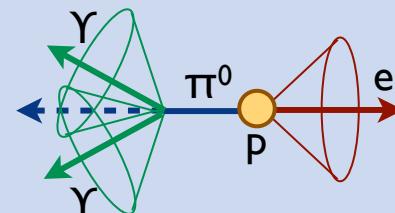
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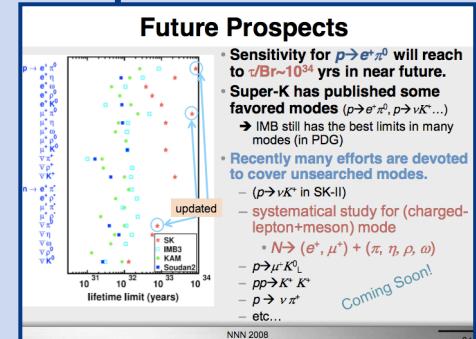


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$$p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + K^+$$

LAr, Scin. better than  
H<sub>2</sub>O (K below Č. thr).

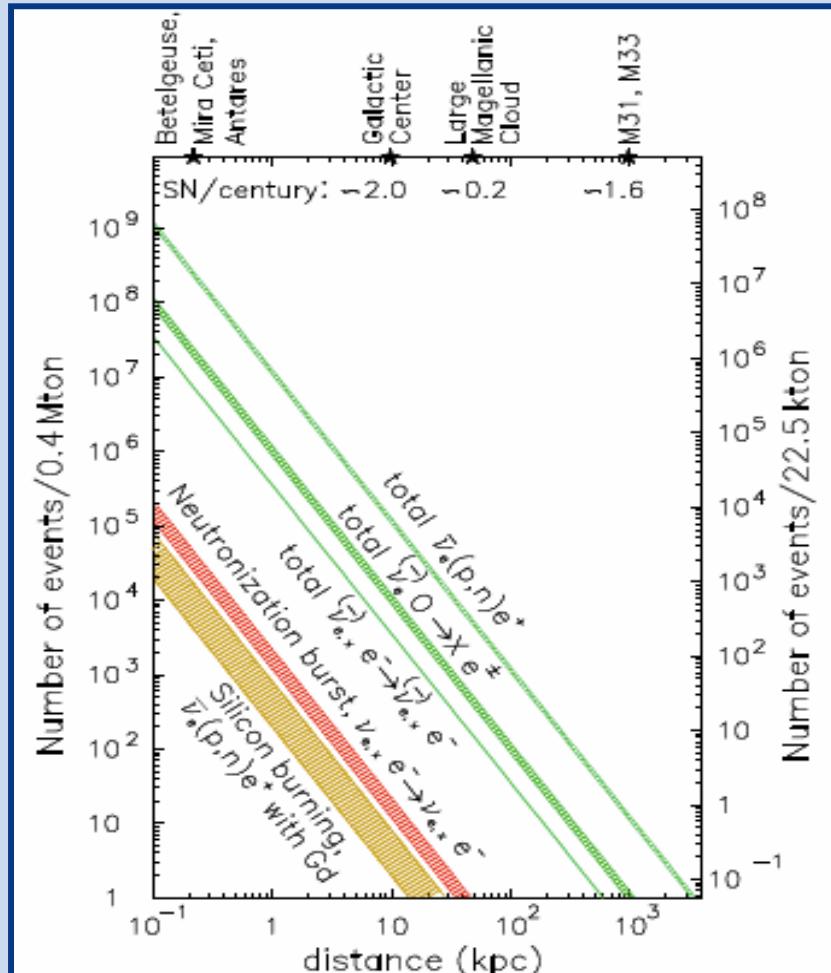
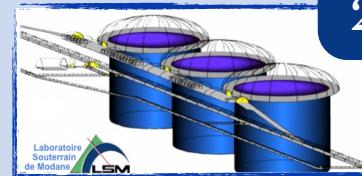
At NNN08 SK showed  
improvement in this channel



Haruki Nishino (ICRR, University of Tokyo)

## SUPERNOVAS

## COLLAPSE NEUTRINOS



Fogli et al.,  
hep-ph/0412046

Evidence up to ~1 Mpc

**Galactic SN:** Huge statistics => we can do spectral analysis:

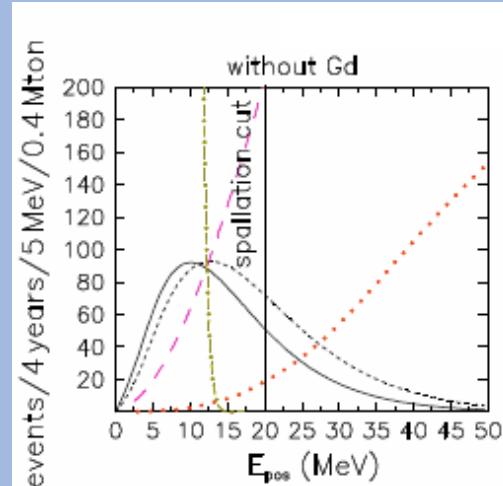
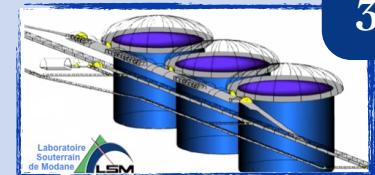
- ⌚ in time
- ⌚ in energy
- ⌚ in flavor composition

Access to =>

- ⌚ SN explosion mechanism: shock waves, neutronization burst
- ⌚ Neutrino production parameters: rate, spectra
- ⌚ Neutrino properties

Possibility of early SN trigger (from event coincidence) up to ~5 Mpc

Ando et al.,  
astro-ph/0503321

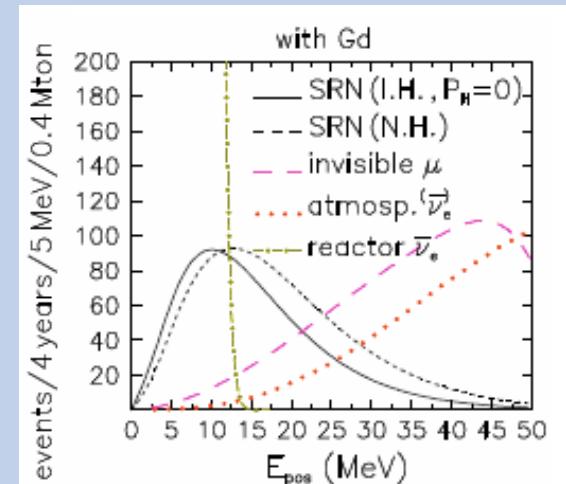
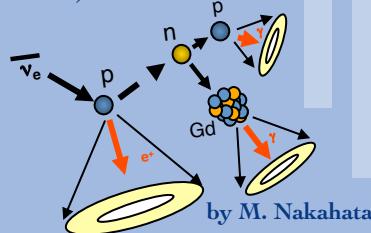


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### Small signal over very large bkg:

- ➊ Decay  $e^-$  from " invisible  $\mu$ "
- ➋ Atmospheric  $\nu_e$
- ➌ Reactor ( $E \leq 10$  MeV)

Adding Gd \*...  
..to reject  
the not  $\bar{\nu}_e$



MEMPHYS could see the SRN in few years!



Direct measurement of  
emission parameters possible.

Yuksel et al.,  
astro-ph/0509297

Started studies for sensitivity for a  
440ktons Water Čerenkov detector (bkg  
and dead-time) as a function of latitude  
and depth of the underground site in  
different European locations.

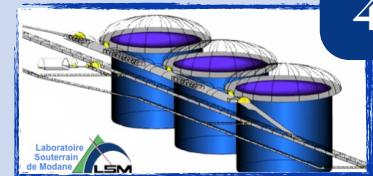
\* PRL93, 2004  
Michela Marafini

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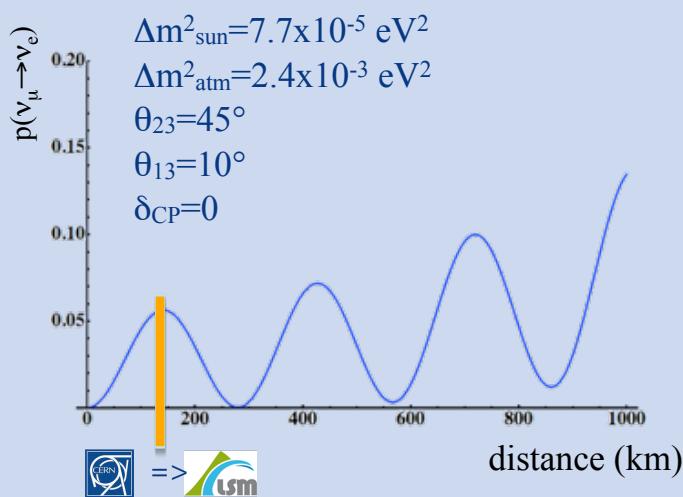
NNN09 - East Park Colorado

# Physics channels@ MEMPHYS

## SUPER-BEAMS BETA-BEAMS



The main goals: search of a non-zero  $\theta_{13}$  angle or its measurement; searching for possible leptonic CP violation; determining the mass hierarchy and the  $\theta_{23}$  octant.



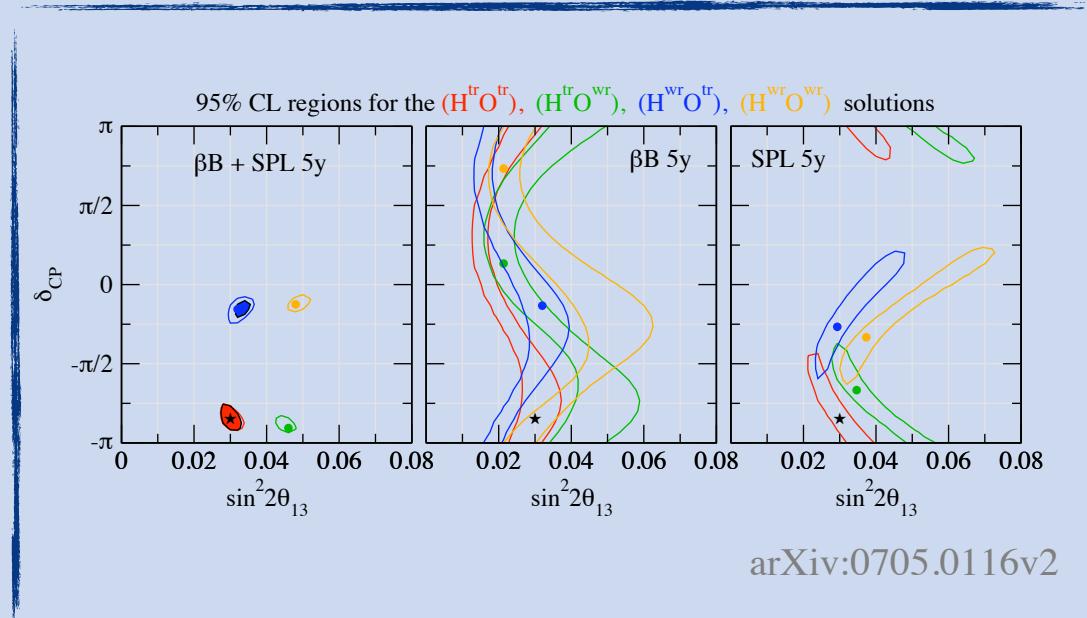
SPL proton kinetic energy:  $\sim 4 \text{ GeV}$   
 Neutrino Energy:  $\sim 300 \text{ MeV}$



Marcos Dracos - CERN  
 Workshop - 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2009



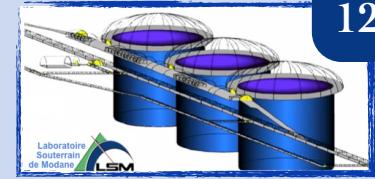
130 Km CERN-LSM



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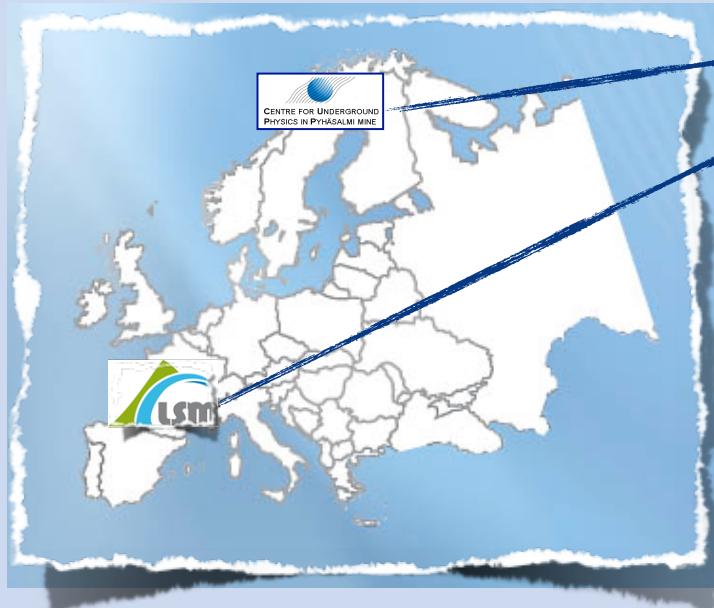
MEgaton Mass PHYSics

## BACKGROUND STUDIES



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- The Atmospheric neutrino flux depends from the latitude.



### Latitude study for diffuse Supernova neutrino background

Site	Latitude (N)	$s_{atm}$
Kamioka, Japan	36.27°	1
Pyhäsalmi, Finland	63.66°	2.0
Fréjus, France	43.43°	1.5

Dependence of the total atmospheric neutrino flux below 60 MeV on the detector location. The scaling factor  $s_{atm}$  compares the flux to the one at the Kamioka site.

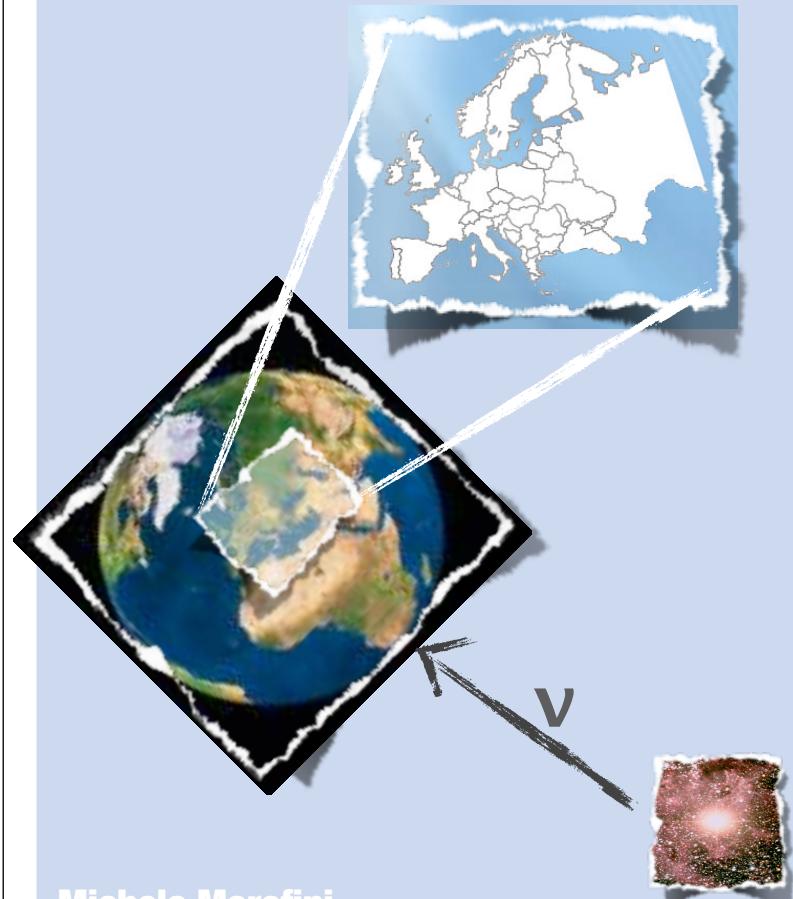
- less invisible muons;
- less electronic anti-neutrinos;

Work in progress for muon interactions in the rock, multiples backgrounds, depth and latitude studies for reactor and atm neutrinos bkg and matter effect in the earth.

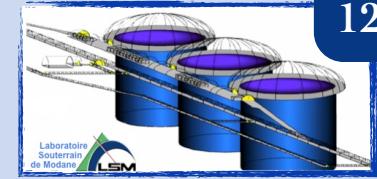
# MEMPHYS

MEgaton Mass PHYSics

- The probability of observe matter effect in the earth with explosion supernova neutrino depends on the latitude.



## BACKGROUND STUDIES



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LOCATION	Latitude	Longitude	Sh.Prob. Earth
<i>Pyhäjärvi</i> , Finland	63.66°N	26.04°	0.581
<i>Fréjus</i> , France	43.43°N	6.73°	0.568
<i>Boulby</i> , England	54.56°N	-0.083°	0.577
<i>Kamioka</i> , Japan	36.27°N	137.3°	0.560
<i>Canfranc</i> , Spain	42.7°N	-0.52°	0.568
South Pole	90°S	0°	0.414

- the best location is the norther;
- the effect is extremely light;
- comparison measurements are possible if we take in account a not-showed detector in South Pole and one showed in Europe (Prob ~ 0.5 - 0.4);

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