

# IJCLab: an overview

**IJCLab**

Laboratoire de physique des deux infinis Irène Joliot-Curie

*New Laboratory born in 2020  
from the merger of 5 Orsay laboratories*



**730 Collaborators**

**260**  
Researchers & Professors      Engineers & Technicians  
**340**



**150**  
People accredited to supervise PhD



**140**  
PhD and Post-docs



**50**  
European and International Research Grants  
**150**  
National and Local Research Grants

**600/y**  
Articles in international peer-reviewed journals

**7**  
Scientific Poles



**1**  
Engineering Pole



**5**  
Research Platforms



**6**  
Technical Platforms

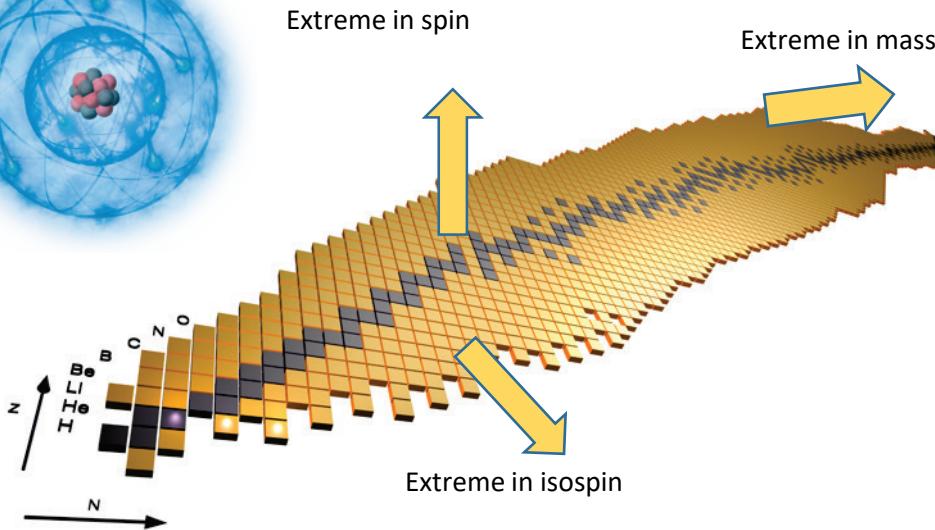
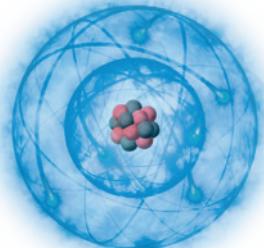


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of Buildings

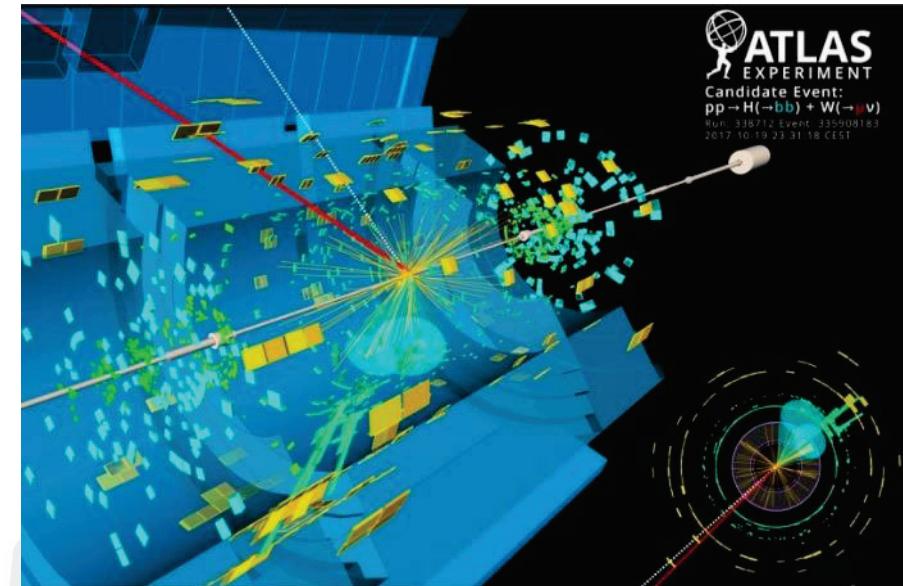


# IJCLab in a nutshell (1)

Historically : Probing matter at small distances/high energies



Nuclear Physics



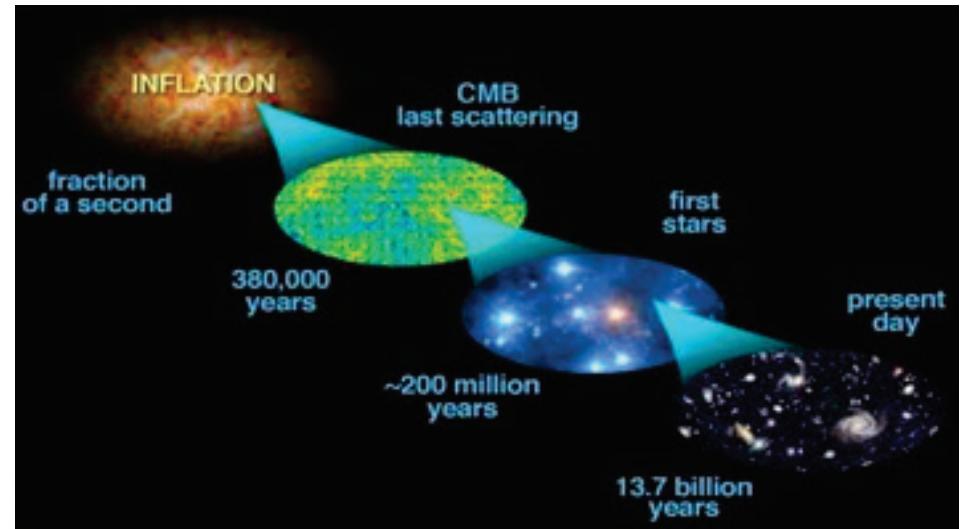
Particle Physics

Understanding the building blocks of matter, their interactions,  
and how matter properties emerge from them

High energies also involved in studying violent phenomena of the Universe  
with natural links with high-energy physics



Astrophysical events  
(high-energy cosmic rays,  
black holes merger,  
general relativity...)

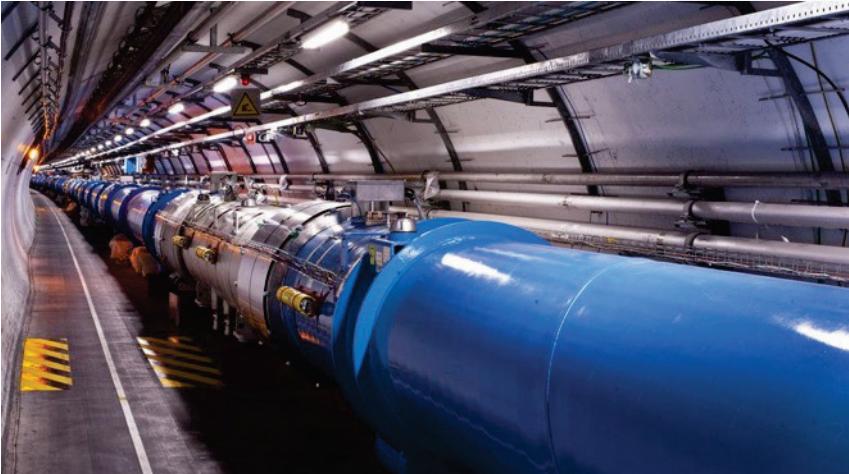


Cosmology  
(evolution of the Universe,  
inflation, large structures,  
dark matter and energy)

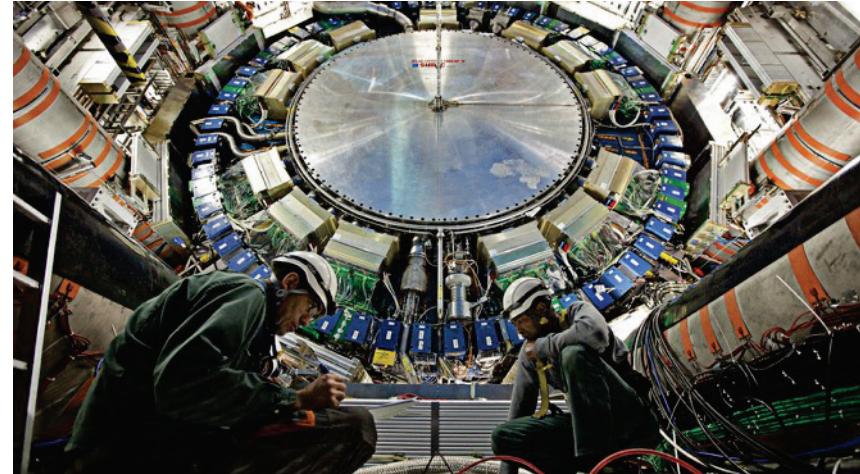


# IJCLab in a nutshell (3)

Building tools to perform these investigations

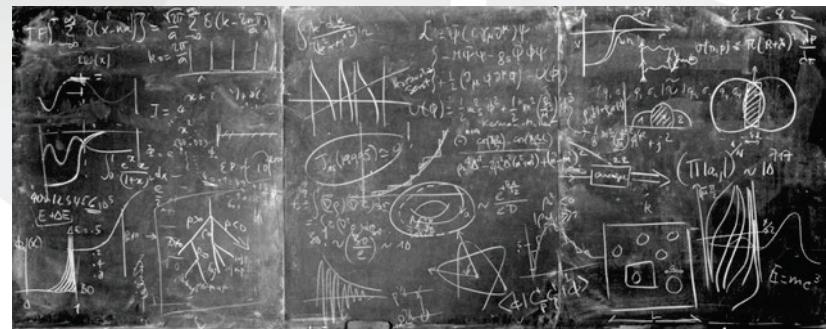


Accelerators



Detectors

Theory : interpreting  
and relating results



and suggesting new  
tests and ideas

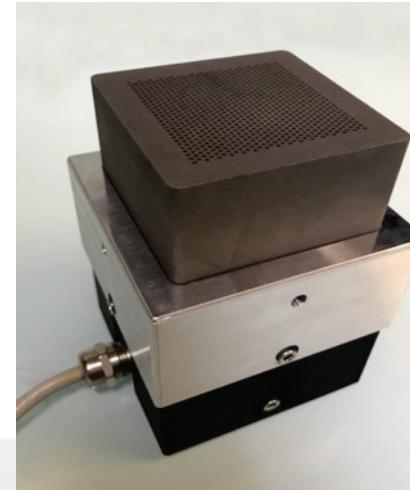


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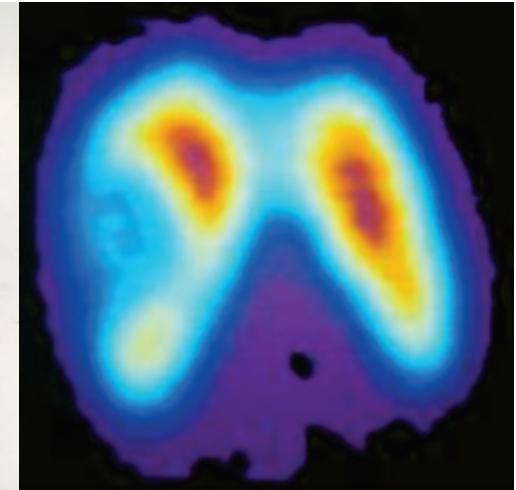
Tools and concepts applied in areas with impact on society



Energy and environment  
(nuclear energy,  
radiochemistry...)



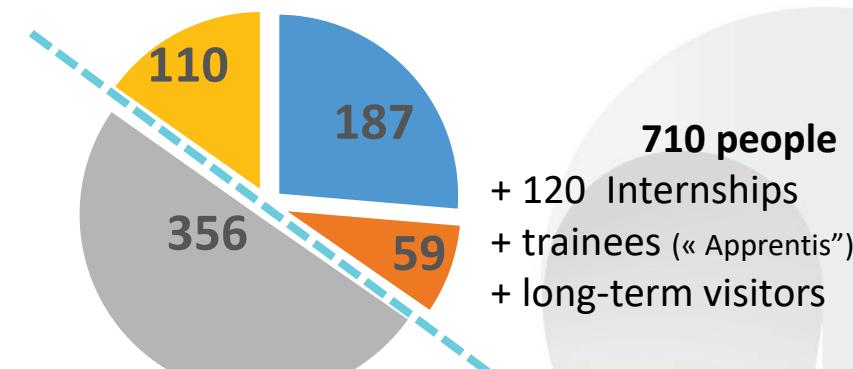
Health physics  
(imaging,  
therapy by irradiation)





# IJCLab staff and governing bodies

## IJCLab Staff Status (including non permanent)



All in all ~ 800 people present at the laboratory

- Researchers CNRS
- Researchers-Teachers
- Engineers + Technicians
- PHD

710 people  
+ 120 Internships  
+ trainees (« Apprentis »)  
+ long-term visitors

## CNRS (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique)

- ~17000 researchers + 16000 technical staff
- 10 institutes among them **IN2P3** (**Institut national de physique nucléaire et de physique des particules**)
- IN2P3 composed by ~20 large-scale laboratories
- IJCLab mainly linked to IN2P3 ~1/4 of HR of the IN2P3

## Université Paris-Saclay

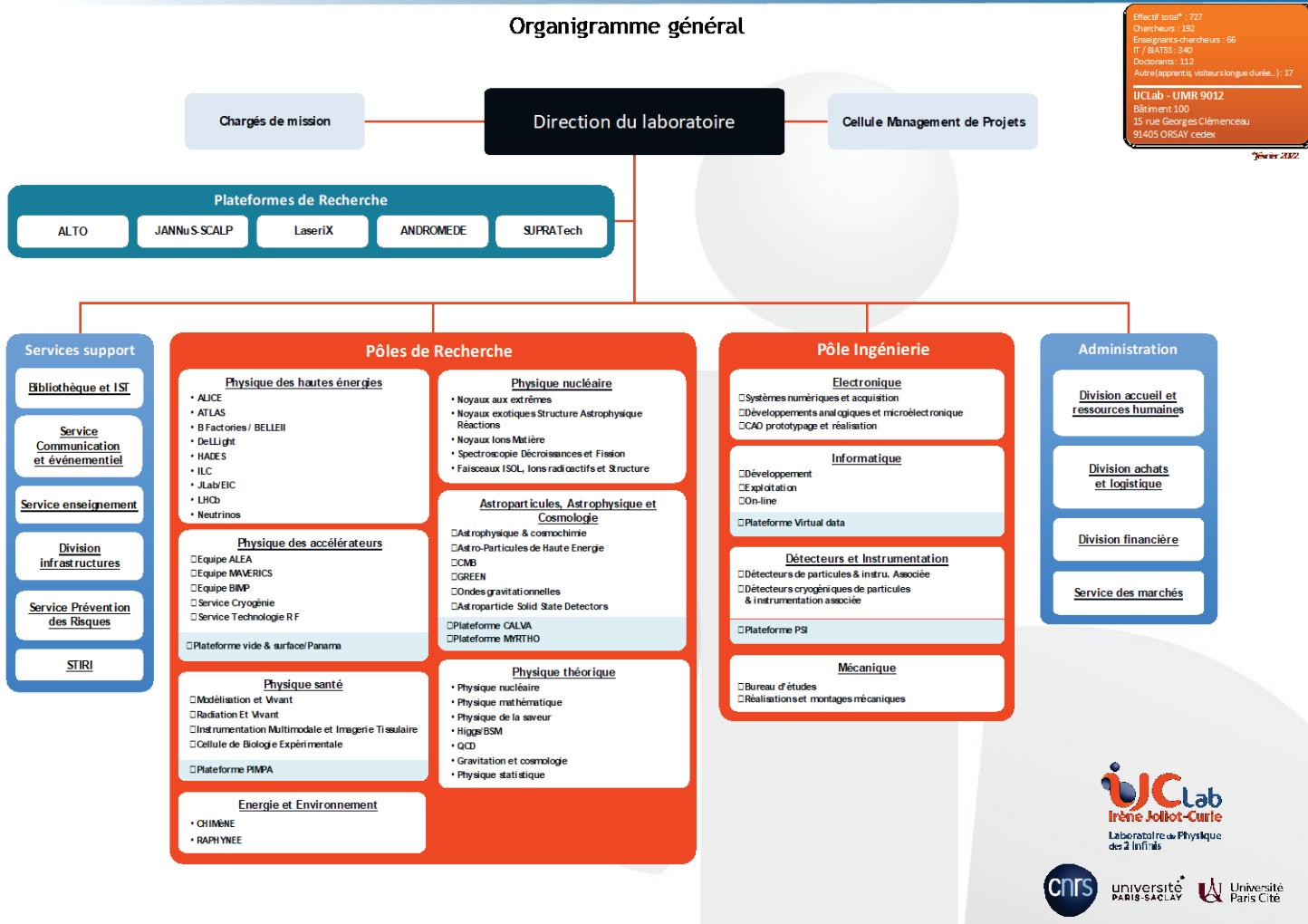
- 275 laboratories : 9000 researchers, 11000 IT (*University and research organism altogether, comprising CNRS and CEA*)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Shanghai ranking (Physics : 9<sup>th</sup> World, 1<sup>st</sup> Europe)
- 48000 students (with 9000 Master, 4000 PHD)

## Université Paris Cité

- Specific links with IJCLab in Health Physics



# Laboratory organization



710 members  
530 staff  
250 researchers  
360 engineers and technicians

## 7 Research poles

31 teams

### 1 Engineering pole

4 technical departments

11 services

### 1 administrative pole

3 Divisions

1 Service

### 8 support services

### 5 research platforms

## 3 governing bodies

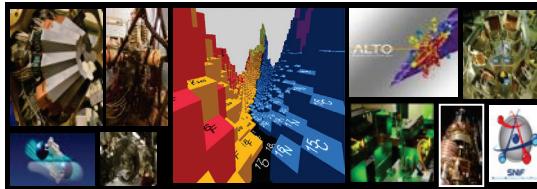
- CNRS (through IN2P3, Institut de Physique Nucléaire et de Physique des Particules)
- U. Paris-Saclay
- U. Paris Cité (Health Physics)



## 7 Scientific Poles

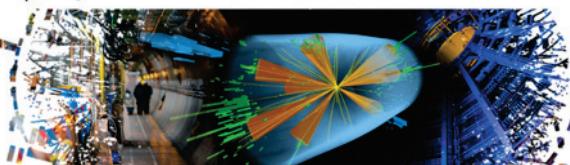


### PHYSIQUE NUCLÉAIRE NUCLEAR PHYSICS



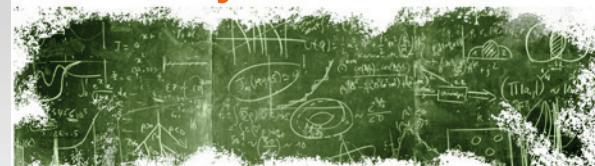
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### PHE Physique des Hautes Energies High Energy Physics



~ 100

### Theory



~ 80

### Health Physics



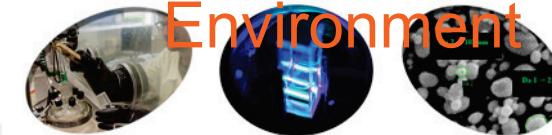
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### Accelerator Physics



~ 90

### Energy and Environment



~ 40

~ 110 PhD



# 1 Engineering Pole



~ 180 members  
10 services in 4 tech depts

## Mechanics

- Design office
- Mechanical realizations and assemblies



## Workshops

- lathes
- milling machines
- 3D printer
- sheet metal work + control

## IT and computing

- Development
- Operations
- On-line



Virtual Data datacenter  
51 racks (2000 servers)  
up to 600kW

## Detectors and Instrumentation

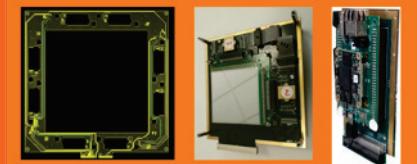
- Particle detectors
  - Cryogenic detectors
- and associated instrumentation



Captinov clean room for  
detector building and testing

## Electronics

- Analog dev. and microelectronics
- Digital systems and acquisition
- CAD prototyping and production

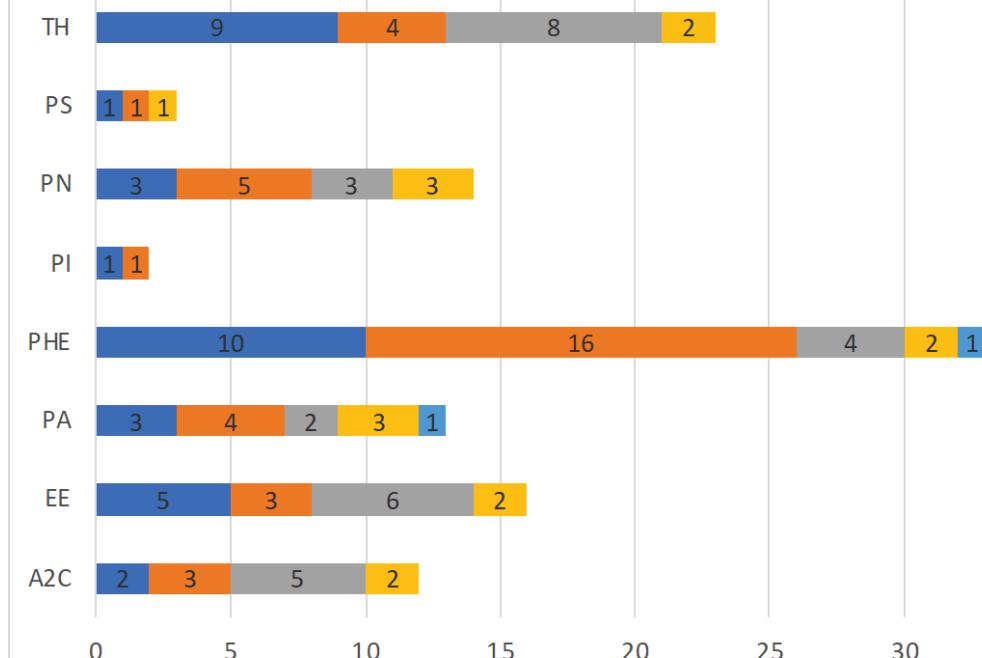


Low noise electronics for  
Si track sensors



# PhD students at the end of 2021

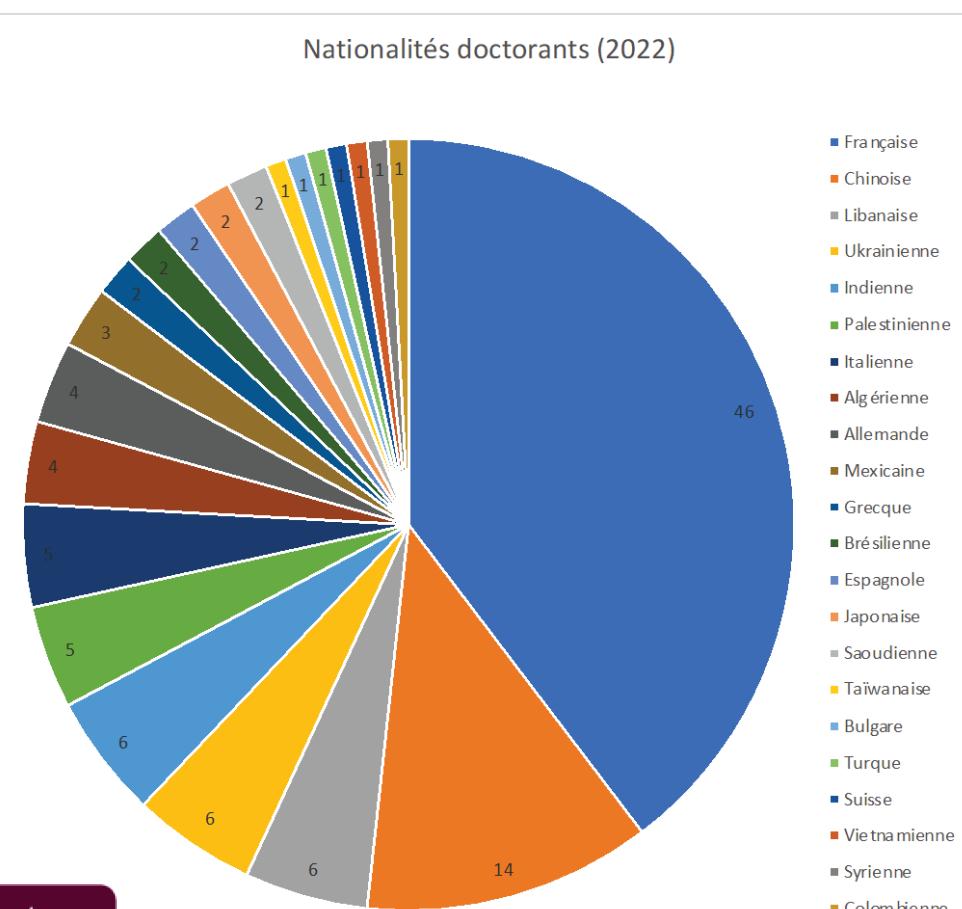
Doctorant par pôle et par année (2022)



116 PhD @ IJCLab



Nationalités doctorants (2022)

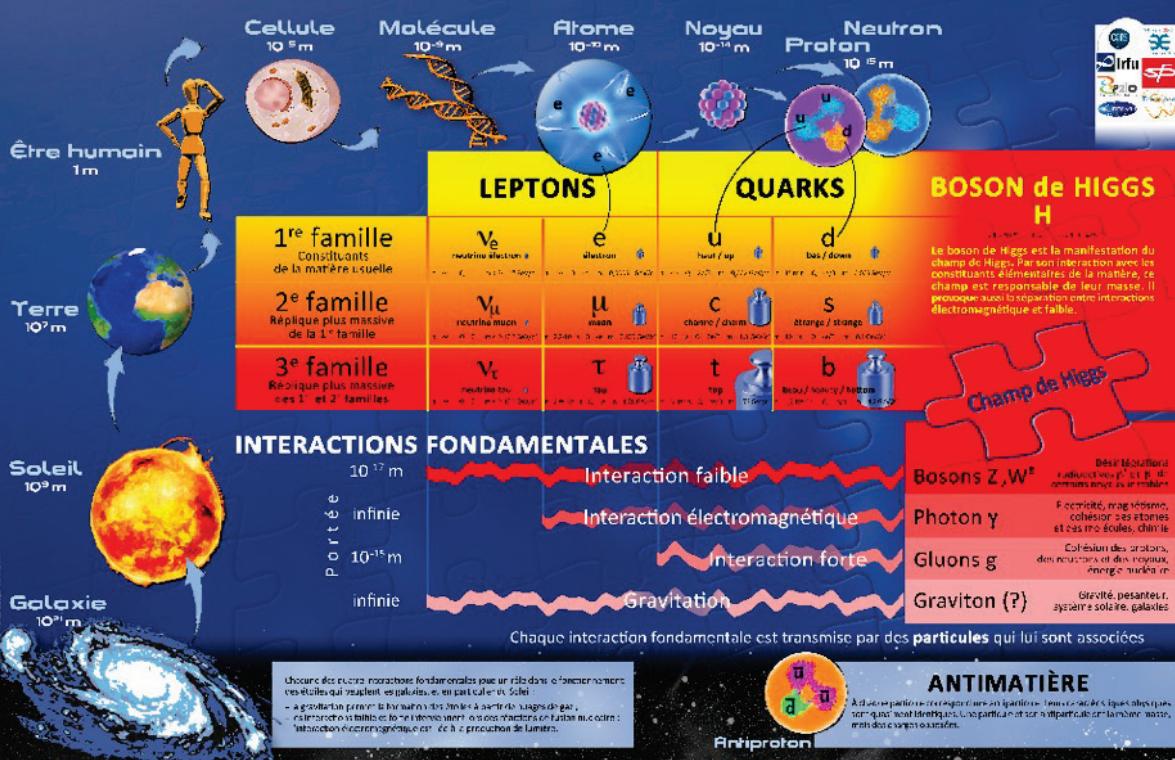


22 different citizenships



# High-energy physics

## Composants élémentaires de la matière



- Probing matter at the smallest scale
- Highest energies, creating new particles in collisions (eg LHC@CERN)
- Understanding their properties and interactions

## Standard Model of Particle physics

- Tested and challenged for decades
- Latest addition : Higgs boson 2012



# High-energy physics

Better understanding  
of the SM

Challenging the  
SM

## Strong interaction

QGP & hadronic physics

**ALICE, HADES, Jlab, LHCb**

(W,Z,H,t) physics

**ATLAS, ILC**

Flavour physics

**Belle2, LHCb**

Neutrinos physics

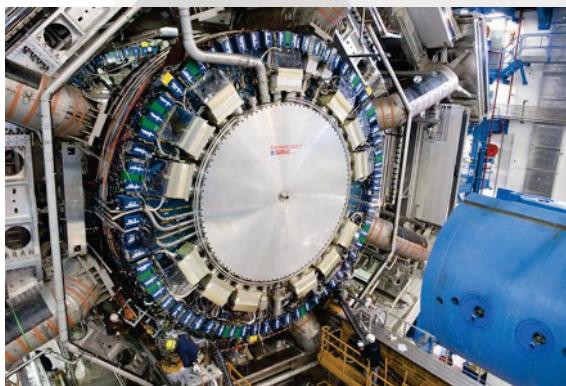
**DOUBLE-CHOOZ  
JUNO, DUNE**

Beyond SM

**ATLAS, Solid,  
(Super)NEMO**

QED in intense  
em field

**DeLLight**



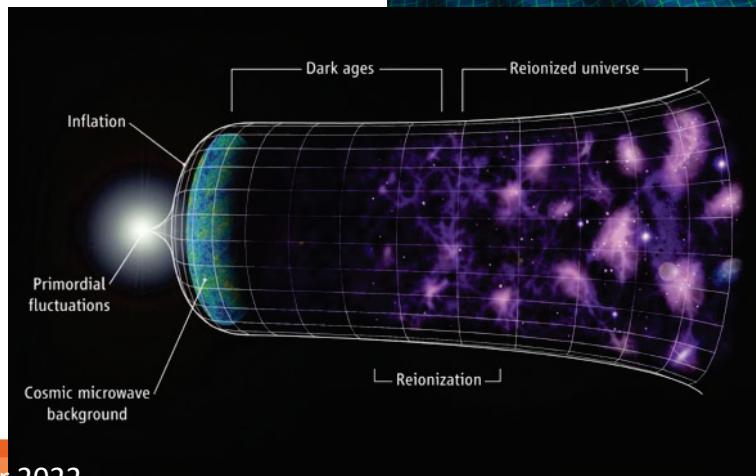
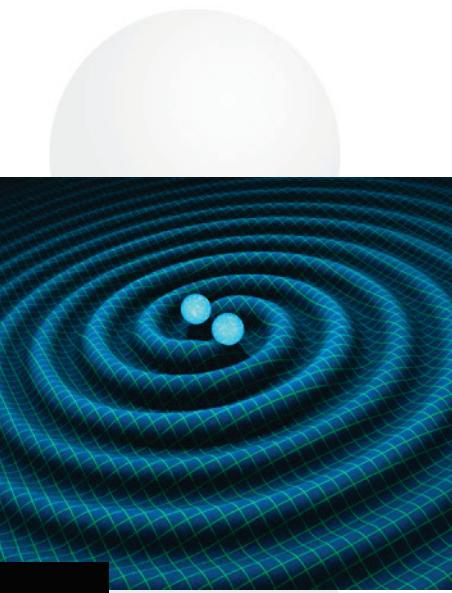
## Weak & electromagnetic interactions

Challenging  
the SM

direct searches  
precise measurements



# Astroparticles, astrophysics and cosmology



- Violent phenomena in the universe (neutron stars, black holes, AGN...)
- High-energy cosmic rays
- Evolution of the universe (Big bang, large-scale structures)
- Role of dark matter, dark energy
- Multi-messenger astronomy (gravitational waves, astroparticles...)

Connection with particle physics,  
but also probing general relativity  
and astrophysical questions



# Astroparticles, astrophysics and cosmology

## Astrophysique & Cosmochimie

e-ASTROGAM



micro-meteorites



## Astroparticules de Haute Énergie

Auger



CTA



## CMB



Simons Observatory



and 2 platforms:

## CALVA/Exsqueez



## DAMIC



## Astroparticle solid state detectors

Cupid  
Ricochet  
Edelweiss



## GREEN

Vera Rubin (LSST)



BAO-Radio

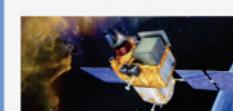


## Ondes gravitationnelles

LIGO/Virgo



SVOM

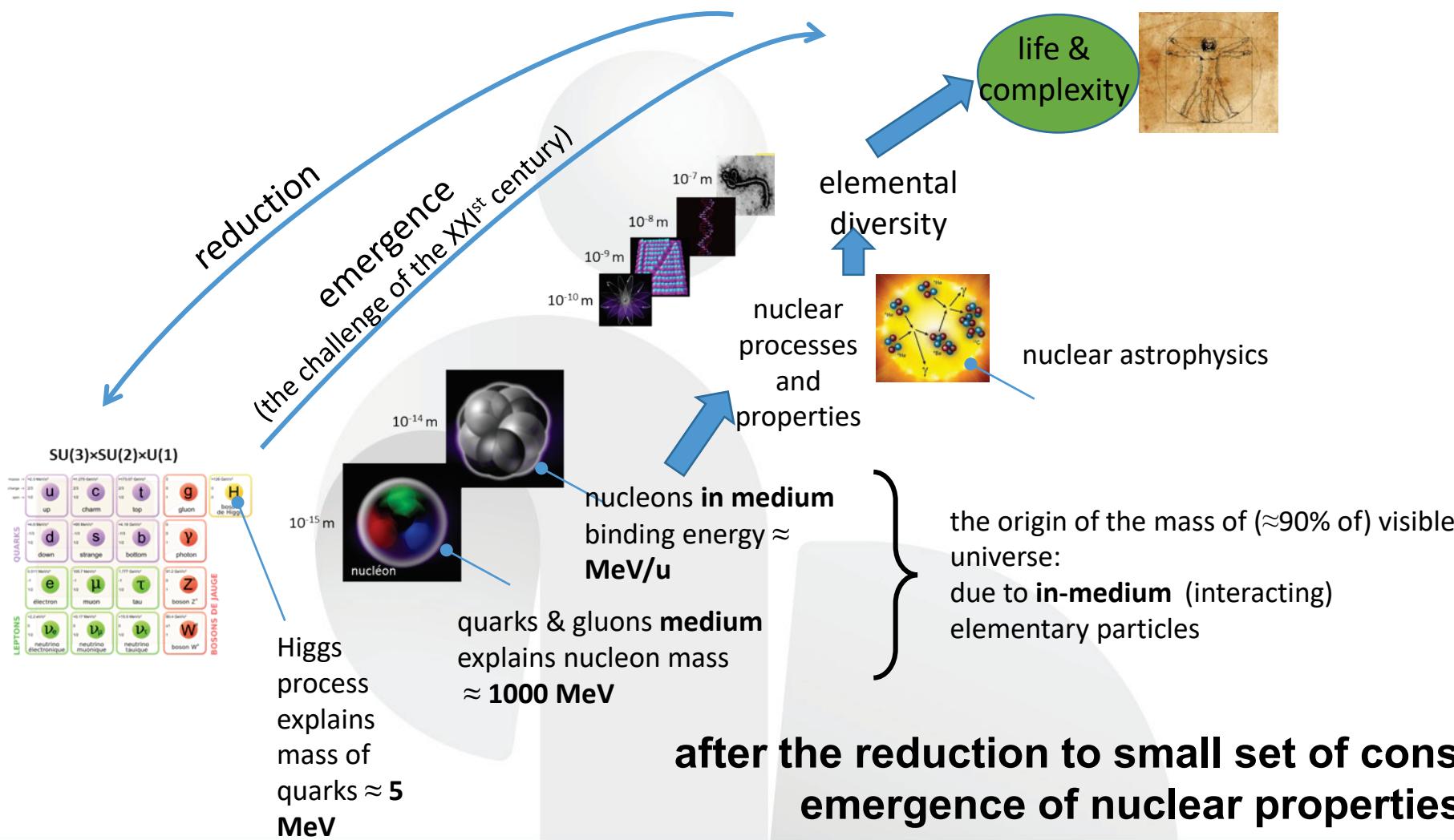


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# Nuclear Physics





# Nuclear Physics

a community of spectroscopists and builders

the discovery frontier  
(synthesis of new nuclei)

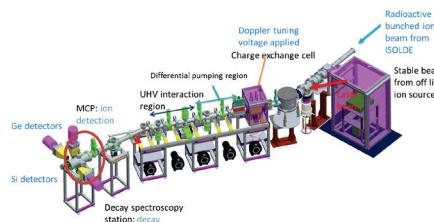
the precision frontier  
(network of observables)

with many experiments, locally (ALTO), nationally (GANIL) and internationally

## Nuclear Spectroscopy : Orsay field of excellence

### laser spectroscopy

- ISOLDE/CERN : CRIS, COLLAPS
- ALTO : LINO
- SPIRAL2/S3-LEB



### mass spectroscopy

- ISOLDE/CERN : ISOLTRAP
- TRIUMF/ISAC (Canada) : TITAN
- ALTO : MLL-Trap
- SPIRAL2/S3-LEB & DESIR



### particle and missing/invariant-mass spectroscopy

- GANIL : MUGAST, LISE, INDRA/FAZIA
- RIKEN (Japan)
- LNS (Italy) : CHIMERA



### delayed/recoil spectroscopy

- ALTO : BEDO, TETRA, POLAREX
- GANIL : LISE
- JINR Dubna : GABRIELA
- SPIRAL2/S3 : SIRIUS



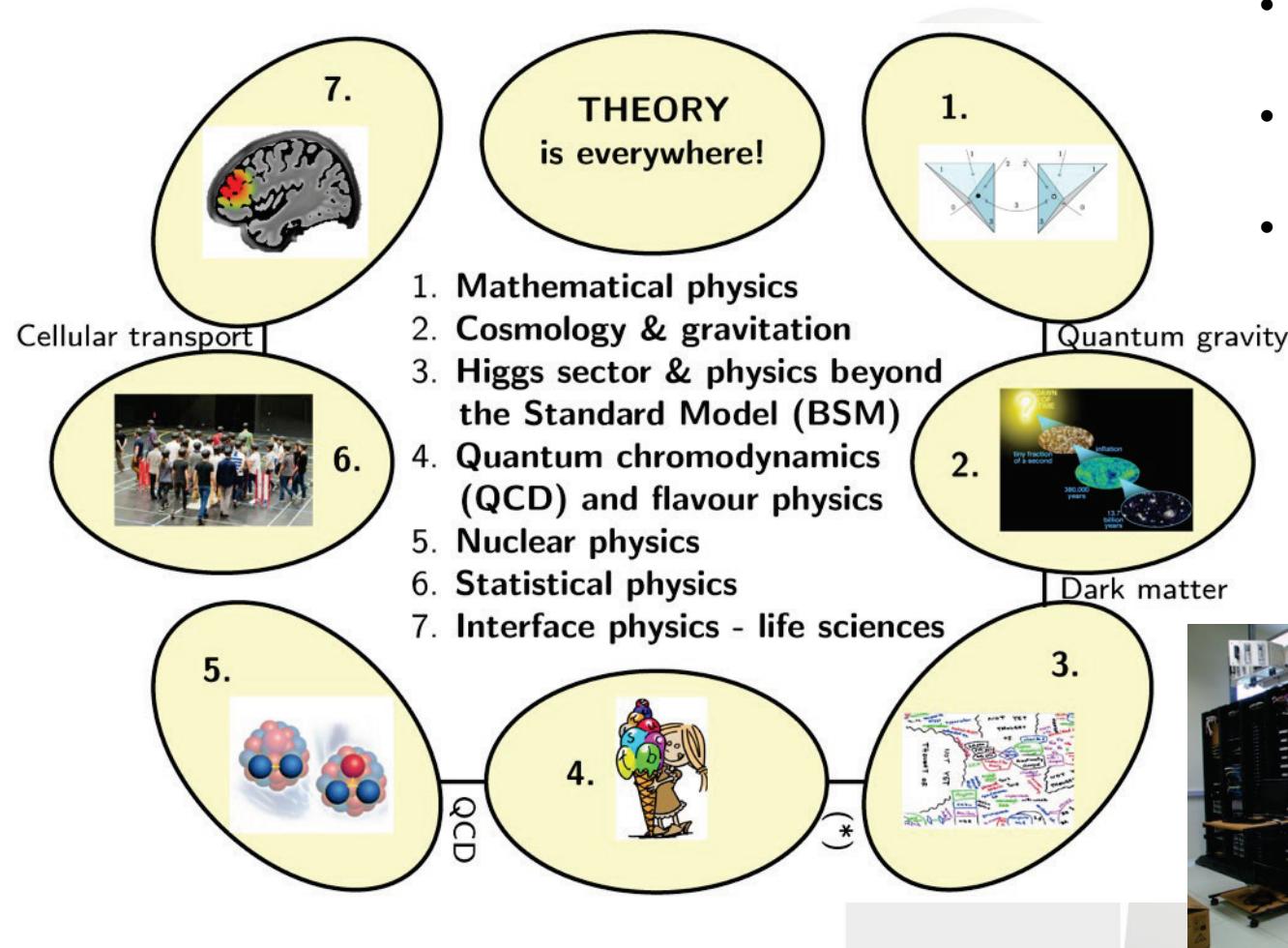
### prompt $\gamma$ -spectroscopy

- ALTO : MINORCA, Nu-Ball
- GANIL : AGATA
- OUPS: lifetime measurements
- JYFL (Finland) : JUROGAM2, RITU
- ANL (USA) : GAMMASPHERE
- ILL : EXILL, FIPPS



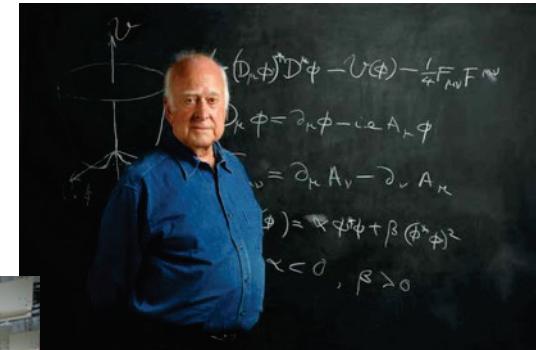


# Theory



- Small teams (opposed to larger experimental collabs)
- Interaction with experimentalists from the other poles (phenomenology)
- Internal developments within pole and with external collaborators (global research)

Pen, paper,  
blackboard ?  
Yes but...

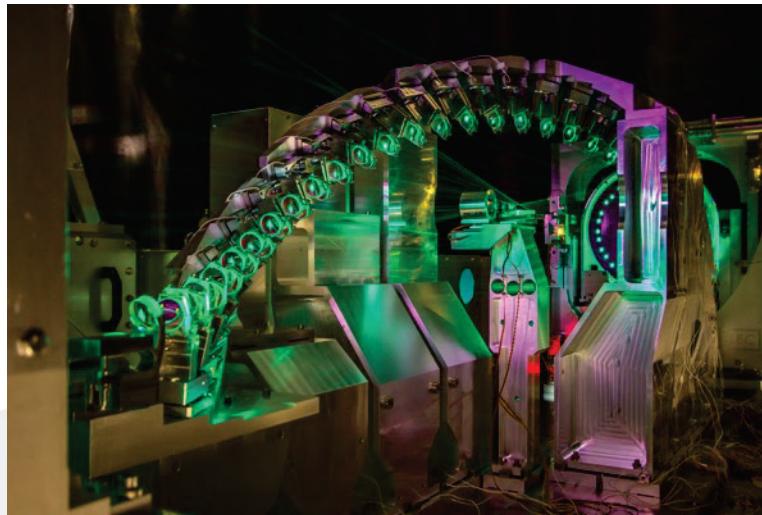
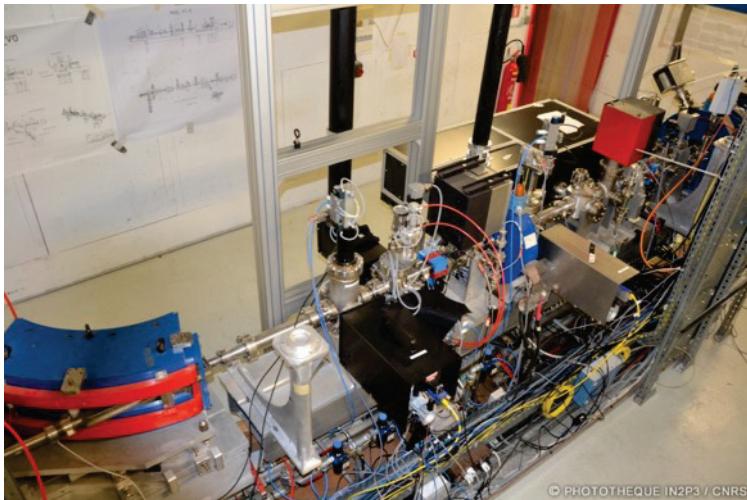


... more and more computers (analytic computation, simulations, data analysis...)





# Accelerator Physics



Weighing in on a **European/global scale**  
by making a major contribution to the design and construction of **large machines**  
(LHC, GANIL, ESS, Myrrha, PipII...)

## Research Themes

- New materials for accelerators
- Supraconducting RF

- Laser-plasma acceleration
- Beam Instrumentation



# Health Physics

Develop an integrated project mainly in oncology (from biological foundations to therapy) at the heart of a laboratory with strong scientific and technical potential

Multimodal imaging  
*(preclinical and clinical)*

Modeling  
*(statistical physics, animal models)*

Radiotherapy  
*(radiobiology, radiotherapy, vector th.)*

Biology  
*(from fundamental to experimental)*

## Collaborations

### Upstream

R&D IN2P3, IJCLab poles  
*(engineering, nuclear, theory, accelerator), IRSN, Soleil, industry*

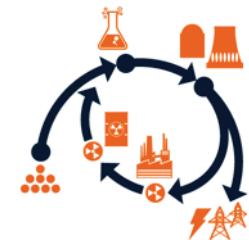


### Downstream

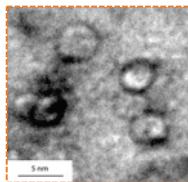
APHP, CPO, Inst. Curie,  
NeuroPSI



Major societal issues in relation to nuclear energy & environment with an emphasis put on an academic approach : understanding the physics and chemistry

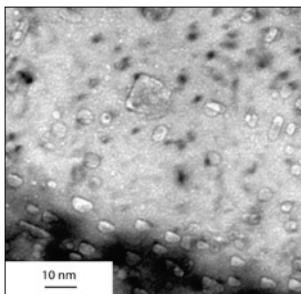


- Analytical chemistry in complex environment for nuclear energy; Materials and irradiation; Radionuclides in the environment
- Chemistry of actinides; Nuclear Data; Nuclear Systems and scenarios



## Scientific activities

- Actinide chemistry in aqueous and non-aqueous solvents
- Innovative nuclear systems and associated scenarios
- Nuclear data; actinide targets
- Fuels, molten salts, transmutation and immobilization matrices
- Materials and irradiation



## Facilities within the Lab

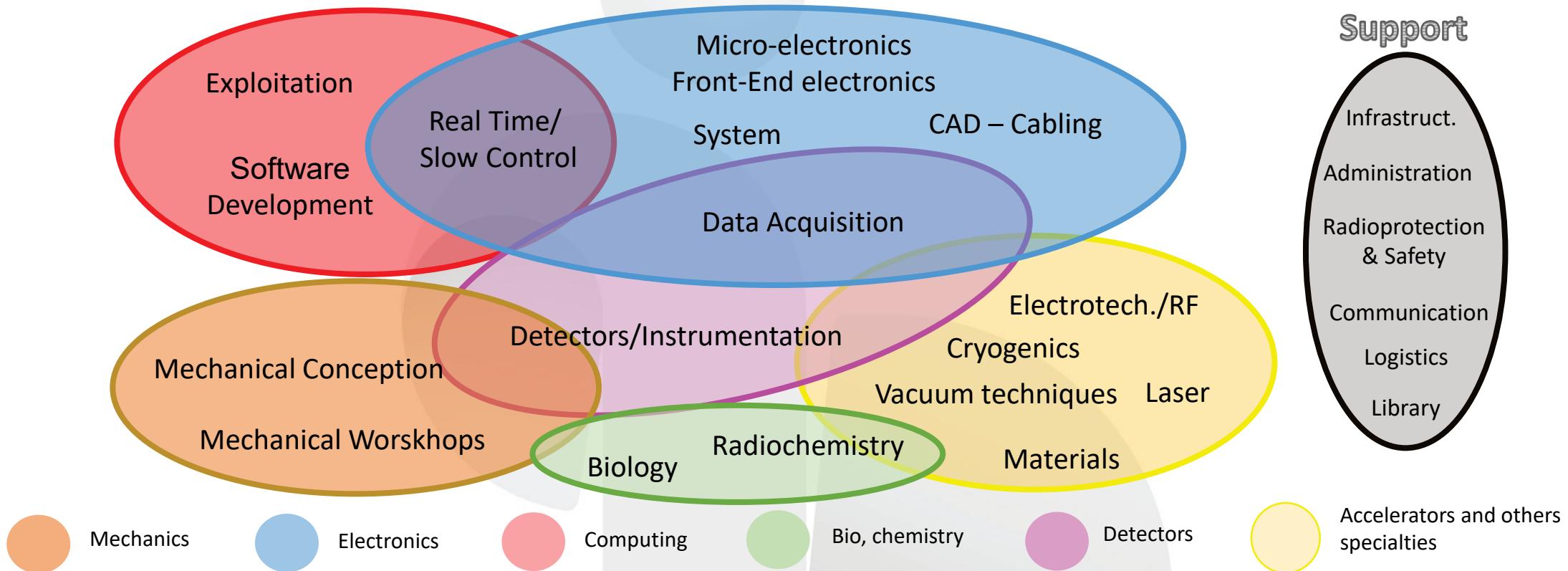
- Analysis and characterization in radiochemistry (buildings 100 and 107)
- Ion implantation, irradiation, and analysis at JANNUS/SCALP platform
- *In situ* dual ion beam transmission electron microscope at JANNUS/SCALP



# Technical activities

Technical staff with technical skills/expertise essential to design, draw and build instruments

- Engineering pole with 4 Technical Departments
- Accelerator Physics pole with RF and cryogenics services
- Competences in other scientific poles and platforms as well as in support services





# Platforms open to external users

5 Research Platforms



- **15 MV Tandem** (from proton to aggregates)
- **electron linac** -> radioactive beams by photofission

**Nuclear, Health physics, Irradiation**



**Several MeV** protons, multicharged atomic ions, gold molecules and nanoparticles

**Nuclear/A2C, Health physics, Irradiation**



**Ion irradiation / implantation and *in situ* characterization techniques (TEM, IBA)**

**Energy, nuclear materials, Health physics, Irradiation physics and chemistry**

## Semiconductor Platform : Silicon Detector Characterisation/Production



## VIRTUAL DATA

Advanced computing resources infrastructure  
Grid / Cloud



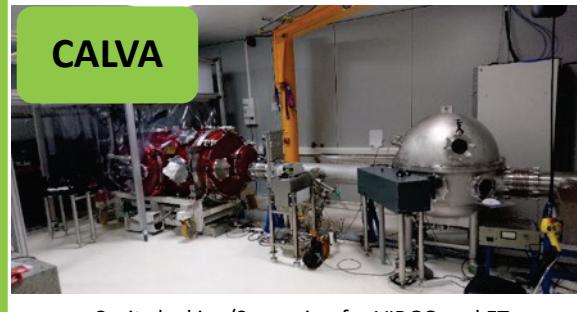
## Health research themes



non linear optical biphotonique imaging

## A2C Research themes

### CALVA



Cavity locking/Squeezing for VIRGO and ET

### Micrometeorite Preparation/analysis



### Myrtho

$\gamma$  Detectors development / characterization

### Radiochemistry laboratory Actinides - Bat 107



## Platforms for IJCLab projects

### Accelerators research themes/technologies

Opening to Materials, atomic physics, detectors



### SUPRATECH

R&D on the superconducting cavities (prepare, package, assemble & test of the superconducting RF cavities).



### Laserix

coherent, intense, brief (50fs to 10 ps) sources in near-infrared (800nm) and EUV (30 to 90 eV)



### Vide et Surfaces *under construction*

**5** Research Platforms



**6** Technical Platforms





# International collaborations

Some major laboratories with facilities or facilities in the world linked to IJCLab

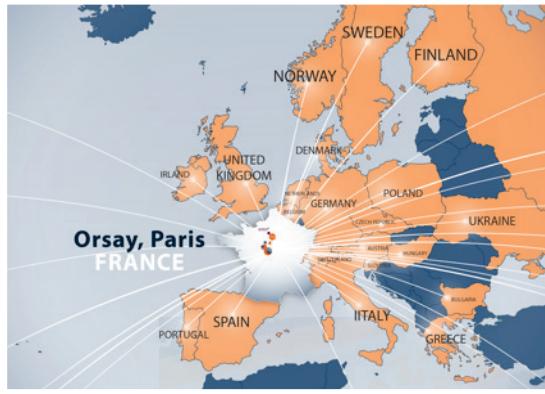
## World

Auger-Argentina  
LBNL/SLAC-US  
Fermilab-US  
JLab-US  
KEK-Japan  
LSST-Chile  
Riken-Japan

## Europe

SCK-CEN-Belgium  
CERN  
CTA-Spain  
DESY-Germany  
Dubna-Russia  
EGO/VIRGO-Italy  
ESS-Sweden  
GANIL-France  
GSI-Germany  
Jyväskylä -Finland  
LNCA-France  
LNGS-Italy  
LNL-Italy  
LSM-France

+ many interactions with French laboratories and industry partnerships





# Teaching and training

Teaching

## Academic, Technical, Platforms

*~60 Researchers-Teachers + ~30 Researchers-CNRS are involved in University teaching.*

*~60 Technical staff teach different skills and specialities (university / Schools..)*

*Research Installations/ Platforms -> Educational platforms with dedicated lines*

Internships  
for students

## Internships: the gateway for students to discover research

*Internships at different level (from L1 to M2 and international.) :*

*~110 internships in 2021 corresponding to approximatively ~600 months*

Thesis

## PhD Training by research and for research

*~110 PhD students in the ensemble of the laboratories (from 30 different nationalities)*

*Number of technical theses rapidly increasing*

International  
Schools

## Participation and creation of international/national schools

*Participation/creation of international/national schools*

*School : WISHEPP (Palestine), TESHEP (Ukraine...), QCD, School at L3 level...*

*IJCLab leads Erasmus+ MIC Colombia / Georgia / Ukraine / Palestine and Erasmus Mundus Lascala*



**Our ambition** is to elucidate the mysteries of **matter, energy, space, time**, and to understand the constituents of matter, their **interactions** and the origin and the evolution of the **universe**.

We aim at **driving discoveries** on these questions by

- **Contributing to and lead projects at all stages in high-energy physics, nuclear physics, astroparticles and cosmology** (proposal, design, construction, operation, data analysis) with significant **theory support**
- **Playing a major role in the conception, design and construction of current and future accelerators.**
- **Developing and operating research infrastructures and technological platforms** supporting these research areas as well as **original research in health physics and energy**
- **Promoting the development of new technologies** for science for the benefit of society and thus supporting national and European industrial competitiveness
- **Welcoming students trained at IJCLab through and for research** at the heart of a world-class academic environment.



# More information

[www.ijclab.in2p3.fr](http://www.ijclab.in2p3.fr)

For internships/job opportunities

- Check the website
- Contact directly the poles and research teams

The screenshot shows the homepage of the IJCLab website. At the top, there's a banner featuring two researchers in a lab, a 3D rendering of a particle accelerator, and mathematical equations. Below the banner, there's a navigation bar with links for English, Rechercher (Search), Annuaire (Directory), Services en ligne (Online services), and several other categories like Pôles Scientifiques, Pôle Ingénierie, Plateformes, Enseignement & formations, Grand Public, and Travailler à IJCLab. A sidebar on the right is titled "Stages, Thèses, Post-docs" and lists "Autres offres d'emploi" and "Partenariats avec les entreprises". The main content area has sections for "ACTUALITÉS" (including a thumbnail for "La chambre à dérive d'ALERT") and "Rendez-vous" (listing "ATLAS PAF 2021" with dates 10-12 mai 2021 at Domaine de Châles). At the bottom, there's a note: "Open "<https://www.ijclab.in2p3.fr/emploi/stages-theses-post-docs/>" in a new tab".