



The Henryk Niewodniczański  
Institute of Nuclear Physics  
Polish Academy of Sciences

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Prof. Tadeusz Lesiak  
Director General

- Personnel: **572**; Prof. **30**, Assoc. Prof. **62**, Ph.D. **98**, engineers **122**

- Scientific Divisions:

- Division of Particle and Astroparticle Physics
- Division of Nuclear Physics and Strong Interactions
- Division of Condensed Matter Physics
- Division of Theoretical Physics
- Division of Interdisciplinary Research
- Division of Applications of Physics

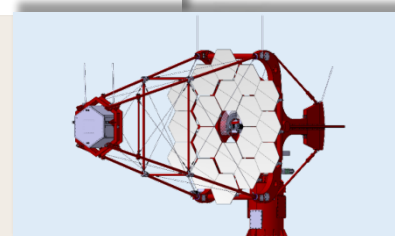
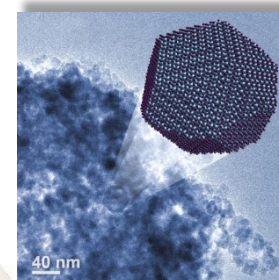
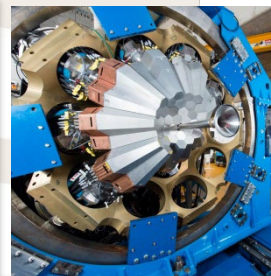
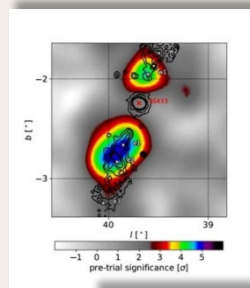
- Researcher Departments:

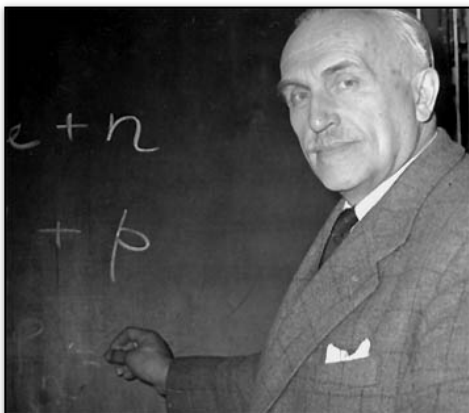
- Cyclotron Centre Bronowice
- Division of Scientific Equipment and Infrastructure Construction
- Four accredited laboratories

- Education:

- International Ph.D. Studies
- Interdisciplinary Doctoral Studies
- Kraków Interdisciplinary Doctoral School

- Scientific output: **> 650** publications annually





- **1955** – foundation of the IFJ – as a branch of the Institute of Nuclear Research – Prof. Henryk Niewodniczański (1900-1968)
- **1960** – IFJ as a standalone unit
- **1970** – Particle physics enters – Prof. Marian Mięśowicz (1907-1992)
- **1988** – IFJ gets the name of its patron – Henryk Niewodniczański
- **2003** – IFJ gets the status of a research institute of Polish Academy of Sciences



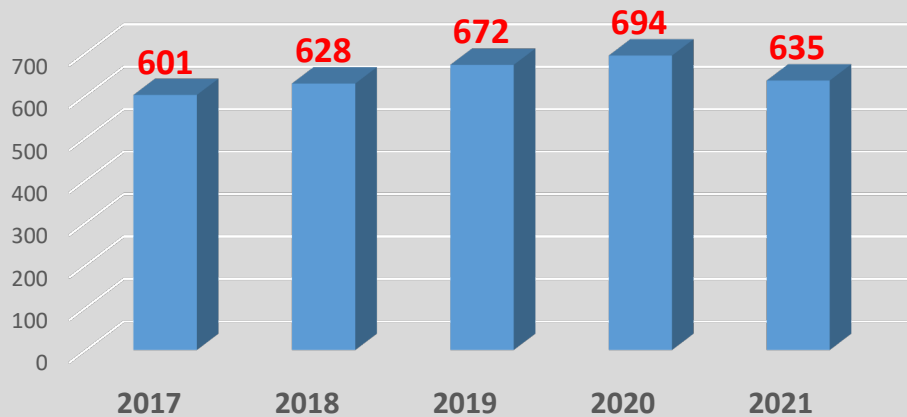
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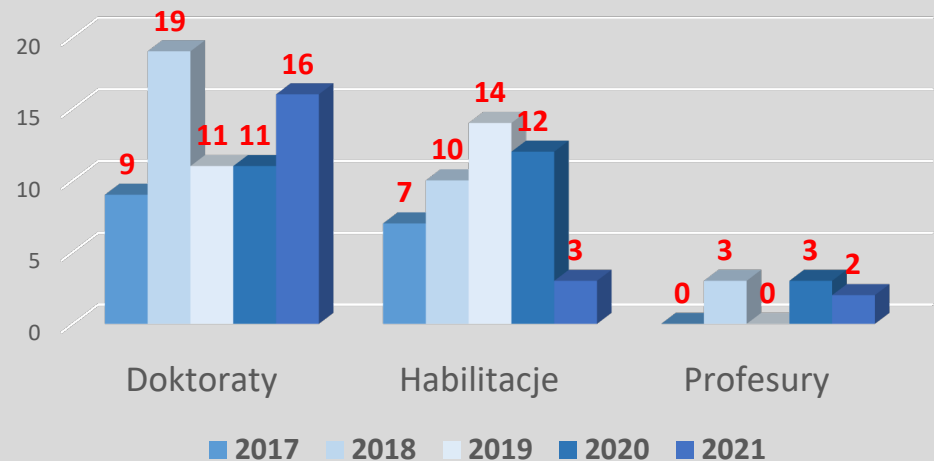
# Scientific Activity (2017-2021)

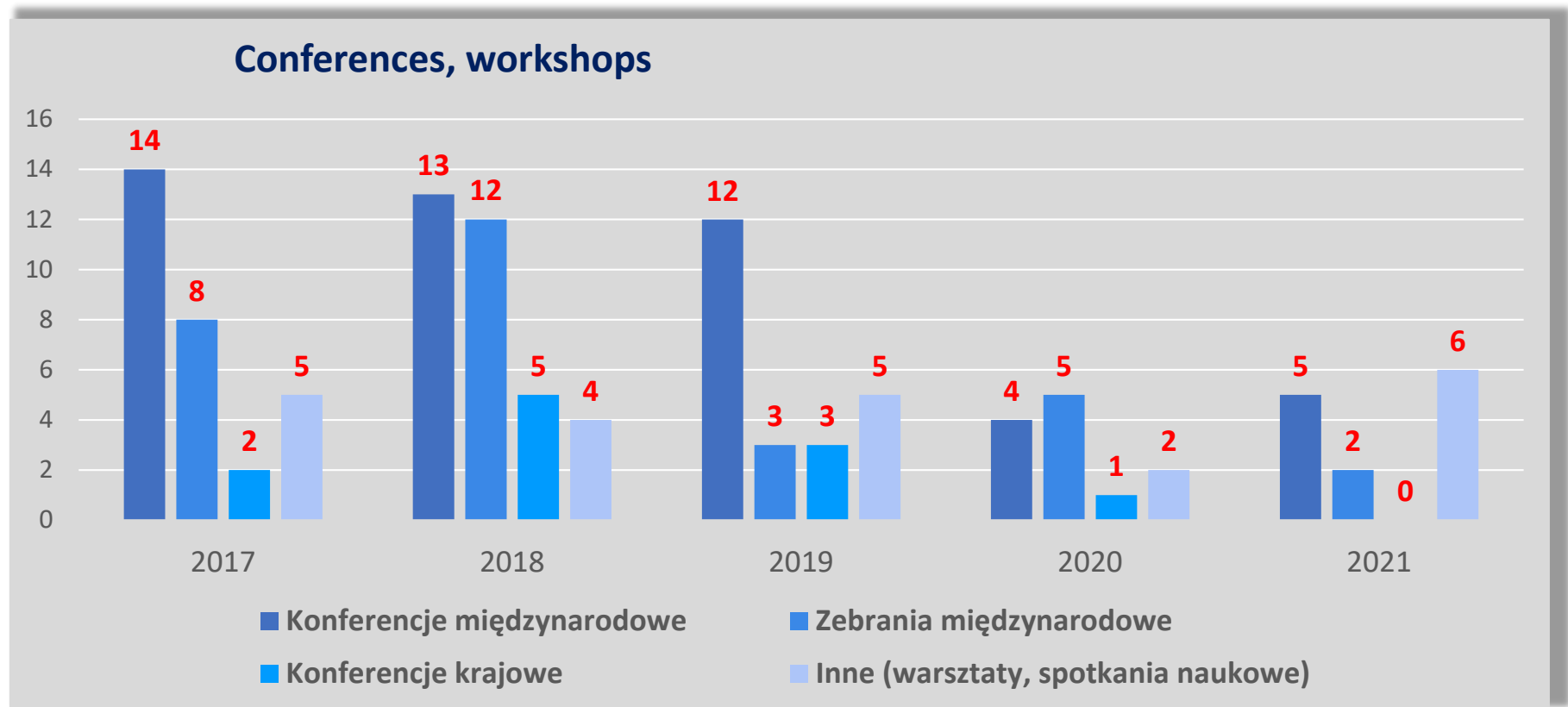


## Publications



## Scientific careers





❖ **International, periodic conferences:**

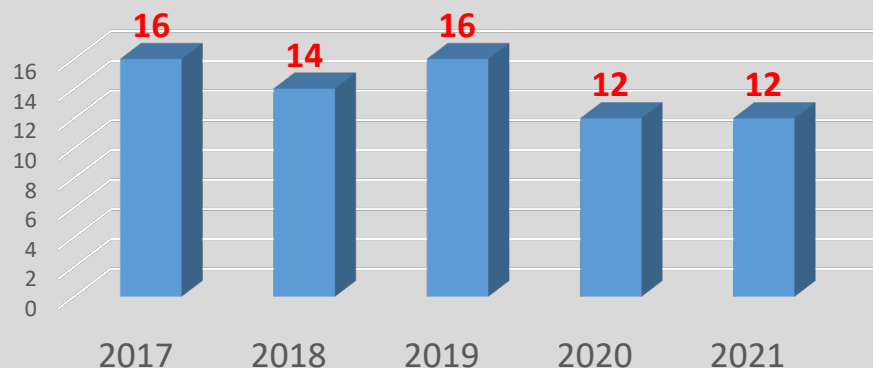
- Cracow Epiphany Conference
- Zakopane School of Physics
- Cracow School of Theoretical Physics
- Multiscale Phenomena in Molecular Matter – MULTIS

❖ **Two recent prestigious conferences in 2022: [QuarkMatter 2022](#) i [IM2022/NEUDOS-14](#)**

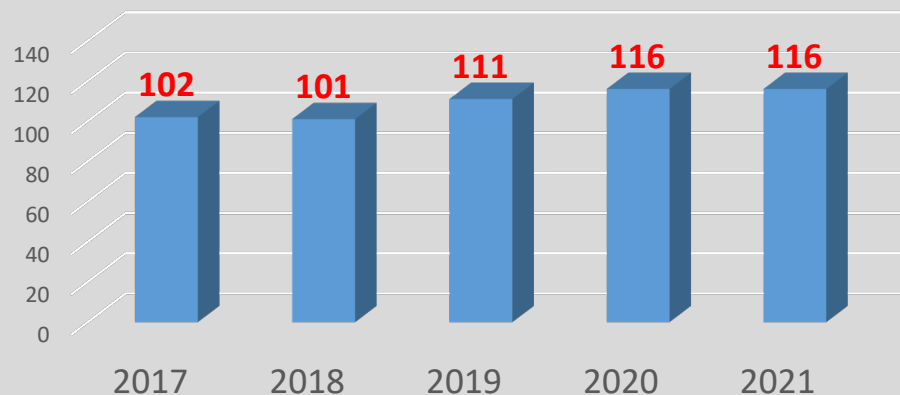
# International and Polish Grants (2017-2021)



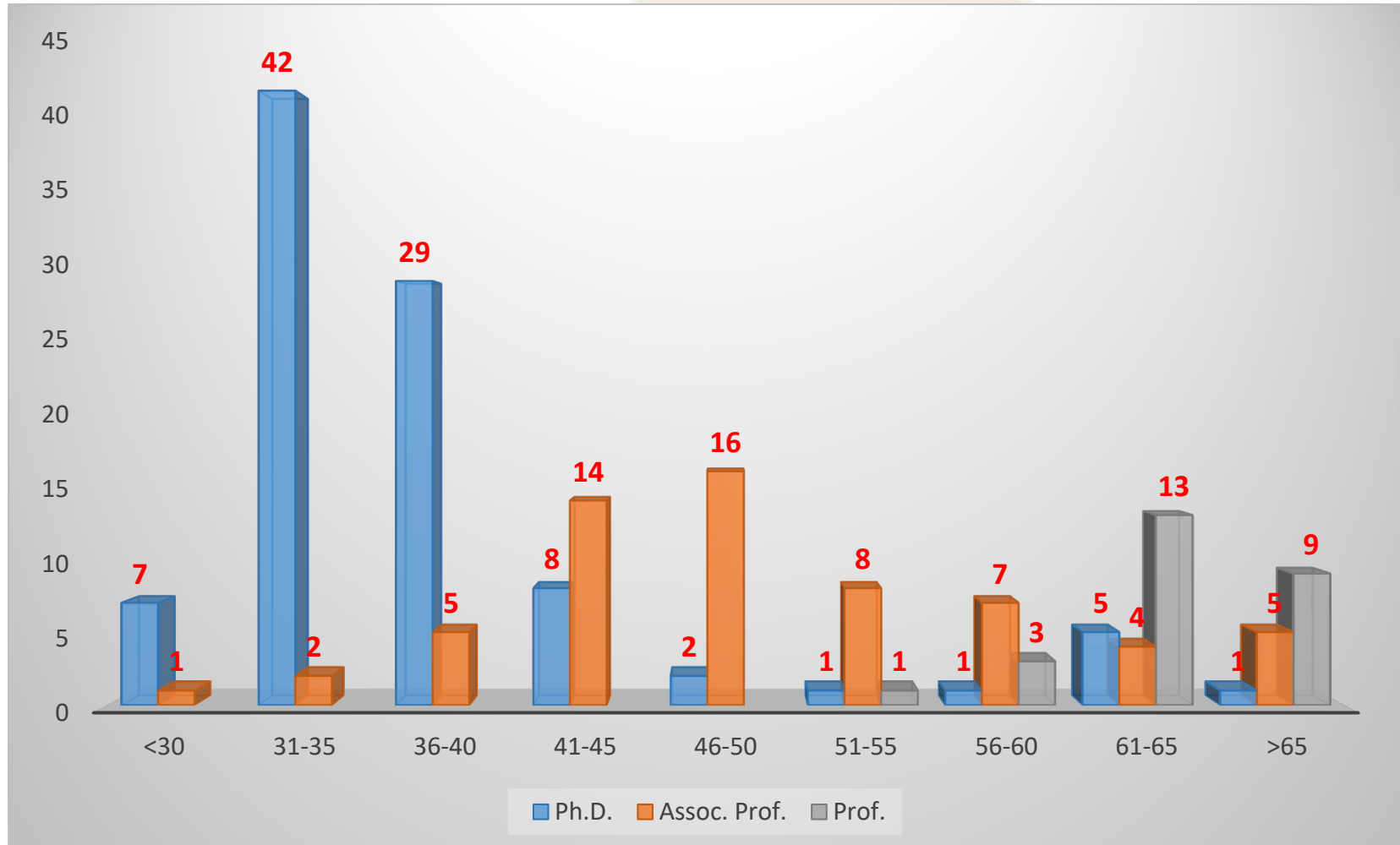
**International grants  
(EU, F4E, VF, SNF)**



**National grants  
(NCN, NCBiR, FNP, MEiN, NAWA)**



# Age Profile of the Personnel



## Projects coordinated by the IFJ PAN

1. CCB – Cyclotron Center Bronowice (development, next phase)
2. Centrum of Engineering of Cryogenic Materials
3. ESS
4. SPIRAL2
5. Research in particle physics at CERN

## Projects with IFJ PAN as a partner, correlated with the national contribution to ESFRI:

1. E-XFEL
2. ELI
3. CTA
4. FAIR
5. ESRF – European Synchrotron Radiation Facility

## Directoriate

- ❖ Prof. Tadeusz Lesiak - General Director
- ❖ Prof. Bogdan Fornal - Scientific Director
- ❖ Assoc. Prof. Dariusz Bocian - Scientific & Technical Director
- ❖ LL.M. Magdalena Zydek - Administrative & Economic Director
- ❖ M.Sc. Eng. Małgorzata Jasiówka - Chief Accountant

## Scientific Council

- ❖ Prof. Antoni Szczurek - Chairman

## **Deputy Chairmen**

- ❖ Prof. Wojciech Kwiatek
- ❖ Prof. Paweł Olko
- ❖ Prof. Piotr Zieliński
- ❖ Scientific Secretary: Assoc. Prof. Przemysław Piekarz

Division Head: **Anna Kaczmarska**

- The Belle II Experiment Department (NZ11, Andrzej Bożek)
- The ATLAS Experiment Department (NZ14, Ewa Stanecka)
- The LHCb Experiment Department (NZ17, Mariusz Witek)
- Department of Diffractive Processes (NZ13, Janusz Chwastowski)
- Department of Cosmic Ray Research and Neutrino Studies (NZ15, Dariusz Góra)
- Department of Gamma-Ray Astrophysics (NZ12, Jacek Niemiec)

Experiments at CERN: LHC, HL-LHC



Japan: KEKB, SuperKEKB



v T2K

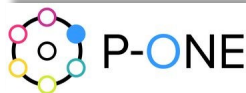


BNL: EIC



EIC  
BNL

Astroparticle observatories



Projects for future accelerators



Staff: about **60** people

Results: about **300** publications/yr



## 1. The ATLAS experiment

- physics analyses of proton-proton and heavy ion collisions
- design, construction and maintenance of SCT, TRT, AFP, ALFA and ZDC detectors, ITk for HL-LHC

## 2. The LHCb experiment

- physics analyses and RTA (Real Time Analysis), on-line event reconstruction and selection, monitoring
- involvement in RICH, scintillator based trackers (Magnet Stations, Sci-Fi for Upgrade II), interests in calorimeters

## 3. The Belle II experiment

- physics analyses (B decays with missing energy)
- **already collaborating with IJCLab on new readout system currently being deployed**
- long time contacts with prof. Emi Kou and prof. Karim Trabelsi

## 4. Cosmic Ray Research

- project Pierre Auger – construction and data analysis
- project Cosmic-Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory (CREDO) – search for cosmic ray ensembles spread over very large surfaces using smartphones (“citizen science”)

## 5. Neutrino studies

- T2K – neutrino oscillation studies
- P-ONE - search for very-high-energy neutrinos of astrophysical origin (under construction)

## 6. High energy Gamma-Ray Astrophysics

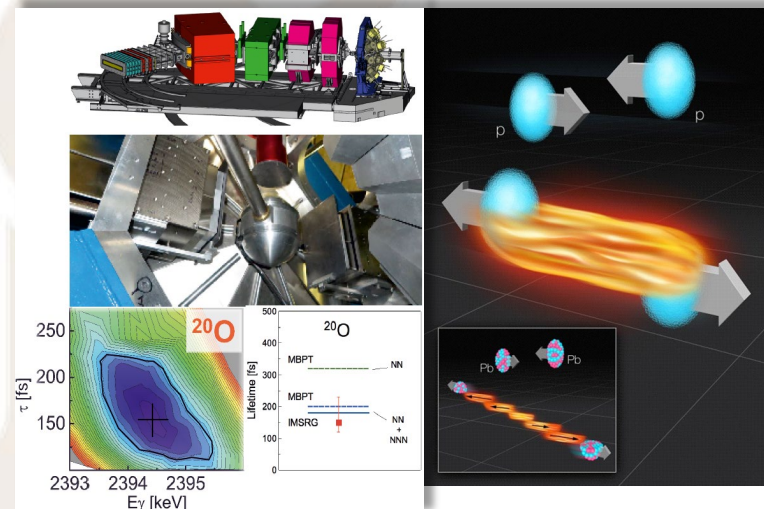
- H.E.S.S. (High-Energy Stereoscopic System) experiment
- HAWC (High Altitude Water Cherenkov) experiment
- Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA) observatory (under construction)

## 7. Involvement in other projects

- preparation of MUonE experiment at CERN and ATHENA experiment at future Elektron Ion Collider (EIC)
- Physics feasibility studies for future accelerators ILC/CLIC/FCC
- experiment STAR at RHIC, BNL
- development of “Cloud Computing” and GRID computing infrastructures

Division Head: **Adam Maj**

- Department of the Theory of Strong Interactions and Many Body Systems (**NZ21, Antoni Szczurek**)
  - Department of Structure of Atomic Nucleus (**NZ22, Piotr Bednarczyk**)
  - Department of the Ultrarelativistic Nuclear Physics and Hadron Interactions (**NZ23, Marek Kowalski**)
  - Department of Nuclear Reactions and Hadronic Processes (**NZ24, Adam Kozela**)
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- Major Experiments: **AGATA, PARIS, ALICE, NA61/SHINE, neutron EDM...**
  - International cooperation in particular with **IJCLAB Orsay, GANIL Caen, LNL INFN Legnaro, Milano University, GSI Darmstadt, FZ Julich, RIKEN Japan**
  - Local research program at the **PROTEUS-235 Cyclotron** at the **Cyclotron Center Bronowice IFJ PAN** → **next slide**

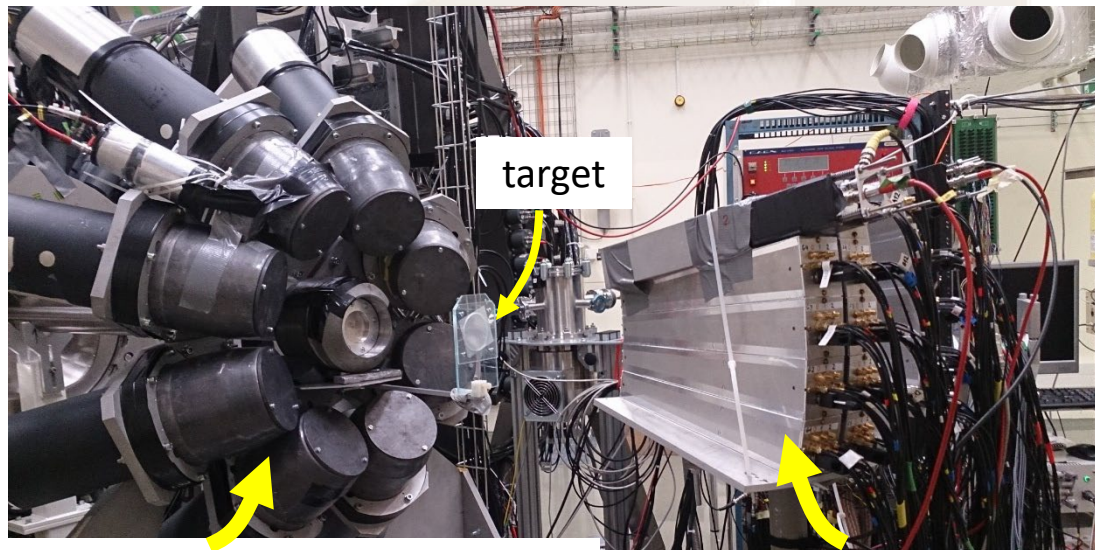


Staff: about **45** people

Results: about **140** publications/yr

## Studies in nuclear physics with the PROTEUS-235 Cyclotron at the Cyclotron Center Bronowice IFJ PAN

Studies of collective nuclear excitations by using  
high-energy proton beam

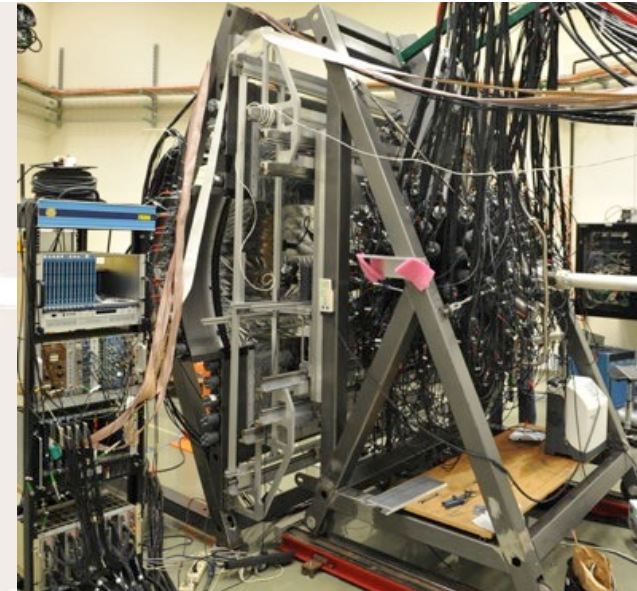


**HECTOR** high-energy  $\gamma\gamma$ -ray array

**KRATTA** detector system  
for detecting non-elastically  
scattered protons

Studies of the dynamics of  
few-nucleon systems

**BINA** detection system for measuring  
 $p$ ,  $d$ ,  $t$  (angular correlations)

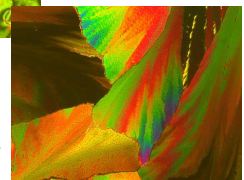
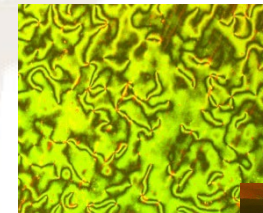


Collaboration: Jagiellonian Univ. –  
University of Silesia – IFJ PAN

Collaboration: IFJ PAN – Milano University

Division Head: **Marta Wolny-Marszałek**

- Department of Structure Research of Condensed Matter (NZ31, Mirosław Gałązka)
  - Department for Functional Nanomaterials (NZ32, Magdalena Parlińska-Wojtan)
  - Department of Material Research by Computers (NZ33, Przemysław Piekarz)
  - Department of Magnetic Materials and Nanostructures (NZ34, Michał Krupiński)
  - Department of Soft Matter Research (NZ35, Ewa Juszyńska-Gałązka)
  - Department of Molecular Engineering and Nanoelectronics (NZ36, Łukasz Laskowski)
  - Department of Molecular Magnetism (NZ37, Magdalena Fitta)
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- **Major Studies:** new magnetic materials, thin films of metals and alloys, nanoparticles, carbon coatings, liquid crystals, glasses, polymers, molecular matter, calculations of the structure and dynamics of materials, ion transport simulations, neutron scattering techniques....
  - International cooperation with DESY, EuXFEL, PSI, ESRF, EPFL, UAugsburg, HZDR Dresden, ILL,...



Liquid Crystal  
Thermography  
(LCT)

Staff: about **60** people

Results: about **100** publications/yr

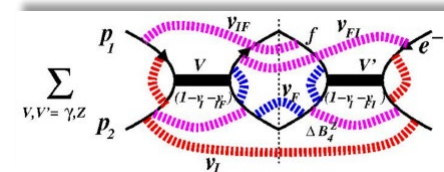
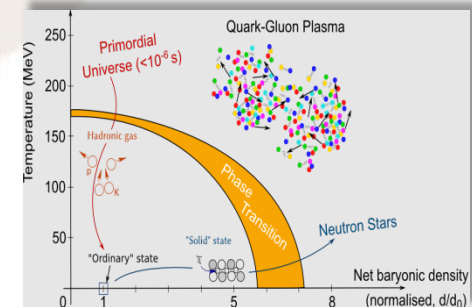
Division Head: **Maciej Skrzypek**

- **Department of Theory of Structure of Matter (NZ41, Krzysztof Golec-Biernat)**

- Phenomenological analyses of high precision rare and semi-leptonic B and D decay data from LHCb and Belle II
- Studies of parton distribution functions of nucleon and their QCD evolution: GPDs, quasi PDFs, double PDFs, TMDs
- Studies of q-g plasma created in heavy ion collisions: hydrodynamical description, early thermalization, plasma polarisation
- Sonification of data recording and analysis for cosmic rays under the CREDO project

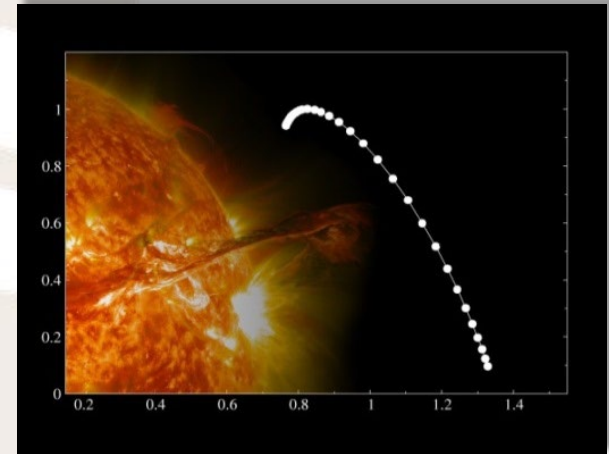
- **Department of Particle Theory (NZ42, Krzysztof Kutak)**

- Construction of nuclear parton distribution functions and their application to LHC physics and future colliders
- Participation in nCTEQ collaboration
- Forward and low x physics. Construction of general framework for NLO calculations; predictions for future upgrades of LHC
- Search for saturation effects
- Monte Carlo development for FCC and LHC
- Calculations of N3LO within SCET for LHC precision phenomenology
- Jet quenching in heavy ion physics. Monte Carlo simulations cross section calculations
- Entanglement entropy at high energies



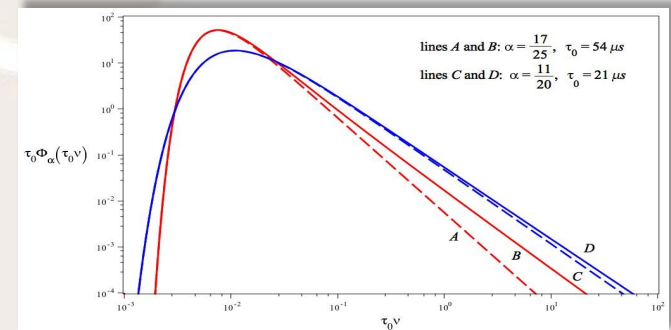
- **Dept. of Theory of Complex Systems (N243, Stanisław Drożdż)**

- Identification of the general characteristics of complexity and development of related methodology
- Quantification of long-range temporal correlations in time series in terms of multifractals
- Study of the dynamics of fluctuations and correlations in the financial markets
- Analysis of the brain activity with the use of machine learning methods
- Studying the natural language in the formalism of complex systems



## Group of Mathematical Physics:

- Construction of the models of anomalous transport and their application to anomalous diffusion and relaxation processes
- Analysis of quantization methods based on the generalized coherent states
- Investigation of effects related to quantum entanglement

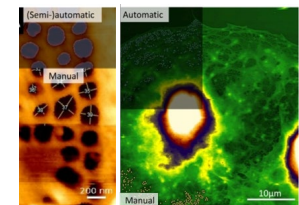
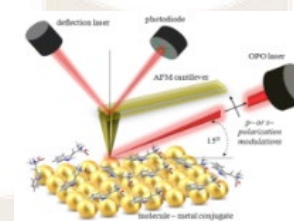
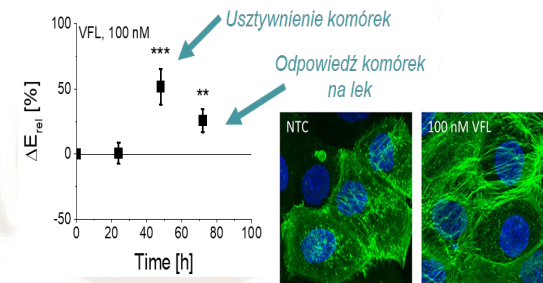


Staff: about **34** people

Results: about **60** publications/yr

Division Head: **Wojciech M. Kwiatek**

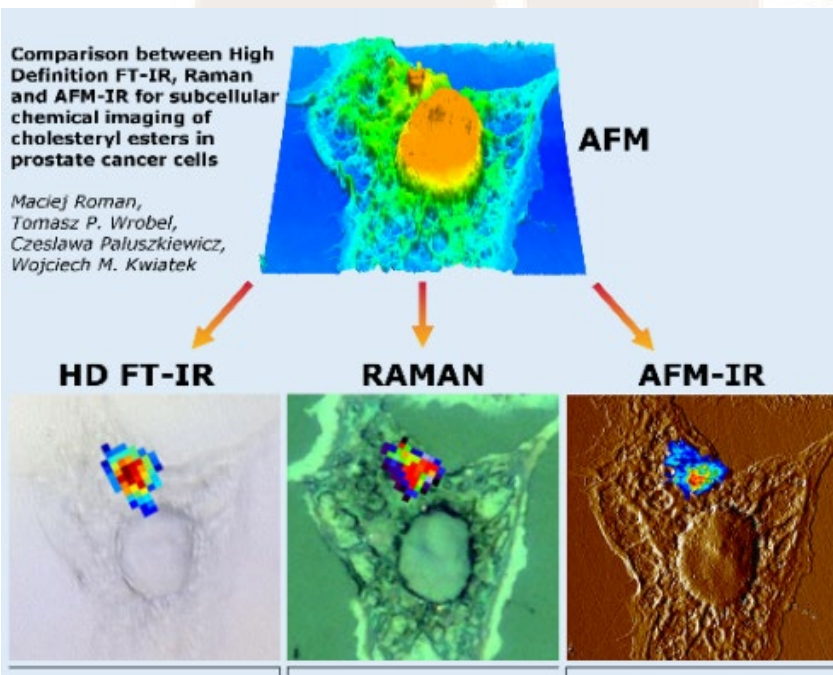
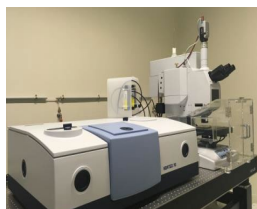
- Department of Experimental Physics of Complex Systems (**NZ52, Katarzyna Pogoda**)
  - Department of Applied Spectroscopy (**NZ53, Joanna Czapla-Masztafiak**)
  - Department of of Biophysical Microstructures (**NZ55, Małgorzata Lekka**)
  - Department of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (**NZ56, Władysław Węglarz**)
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- **Major Studies:** spectroscopic imaging for therapy, diagnostics, and material research, effects of exposure of biological samples to ionizing radiation, mechanical properties of cells and tissues,...
  - International cooperation in particular with **DESY, EuXFEL, PSI, SwisFEL, ELI, INFN LNF, Eletra, ESRF, Diamond, Soleil, EPFL, NUS, PennUni, UMalaga, UTromso, Umilano, Ucalgary, UVictoria**



Staff: about **40** people

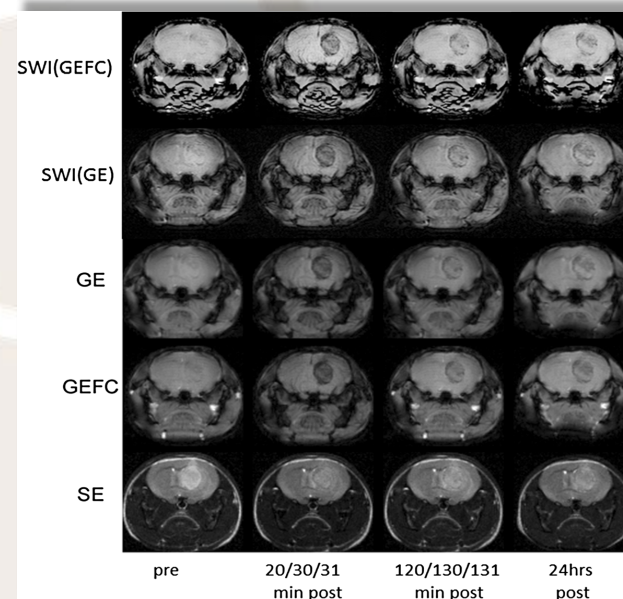
Results: about **80** publications/yr

## Studies of ionizing radiation influence to chemical composition imaging



**Collaboration: Jagiellonian University - IFJ PAN**

## Application of NMR imaging and spectroscopy to study the properties of drug carriers, modern contrast agents and porous materials



**Collaboration: Jagiellonian Univ. – JCET– IFJ PAN**

Division Head: **Paweł Olko**

- Department of Radiation Transport Physics (**NZ61, Wojciech Królas**)
- Department of Radiation Research and Proton Radiotherapy (**NZ62, Jan Swakoń**)
- Department of Radiation Physics and Dosimetry (**NZ63, Paweł Bilski**)
- Department of Nuclear Physical Chemistry (**NZ64, Jerzy Mietelski**)
- Department of Mass Spectrometry (**NZ65, Edyta Łokas**)

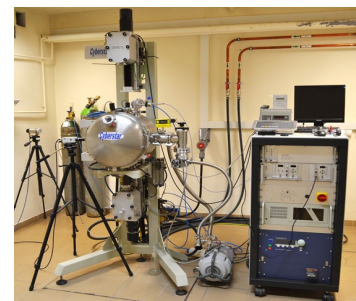
- **Major studies:** neutron transport, neutron and ion diagnostics for tokamaks and stellarator, medical physics for proton therapy, space dosimetry, thermo- and optically stimulated luminescence, retrospective dosimetry, low-level radioactivity measurements in environment:  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  spectroscopy, mass spectrometry (Arctic, glaciers, etc.)

- **International cooperation and projects:**  
ITER, JET (EUROFUSION), EURADOS, ARTEMIS  
Transnational Access: EURO-LABS, INSPIRE  
PIANOFORTE

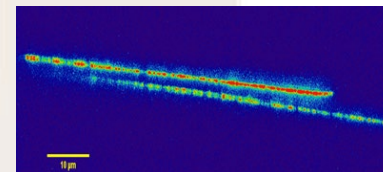
- Local research program at AIC-144 → **next slide**



3-D printed compensators  
for kids treatment



Crystal grow for dosimetry



Novel LiF Fluorescent  
Nuclear Track Detectors

Staff: about **45** people

Results: about **100** publications/yr

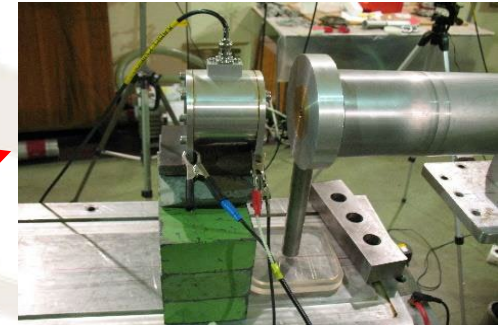


## Eye line for precise irradiation

- dose rate: 0.001 – 1 Gy/min
- beam field size:  $\leq 40$  mm;
- Typical flux:  $10e8 - 10e9$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>·s;

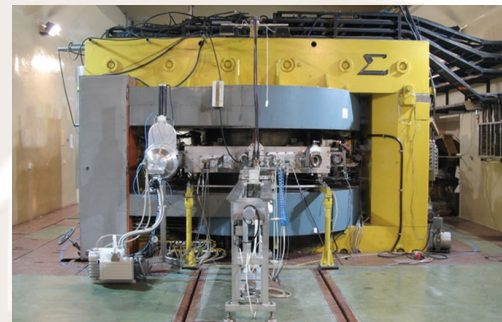
## Line for isotope production

- proton current:  $< 100$  nA;



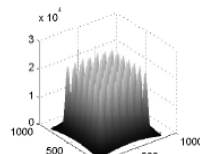
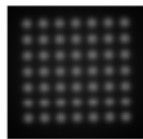
## Experimental room: high beam intensity

- proton current: 2 nA – 100 nA;
- Dose rate up to 50 Gy/s
- irradiation field  $d < 12$  cm;



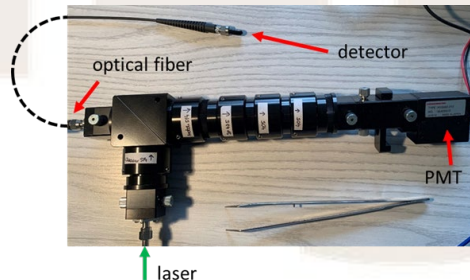
## AIC-144 Cyclotron

- energy 60 MeV; RF 26,26 MHz;
- beam current 80 nA

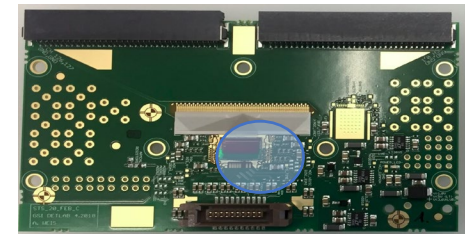


Proton grid therapy – to reduce side effect of treatment

Staff: **10** people



Testing of detectors and dosimeters



Testing of electronics for space flights

# Cyclotron Centre Bronowice (CCB)



Head of the Centre: **Renata Kopeć**

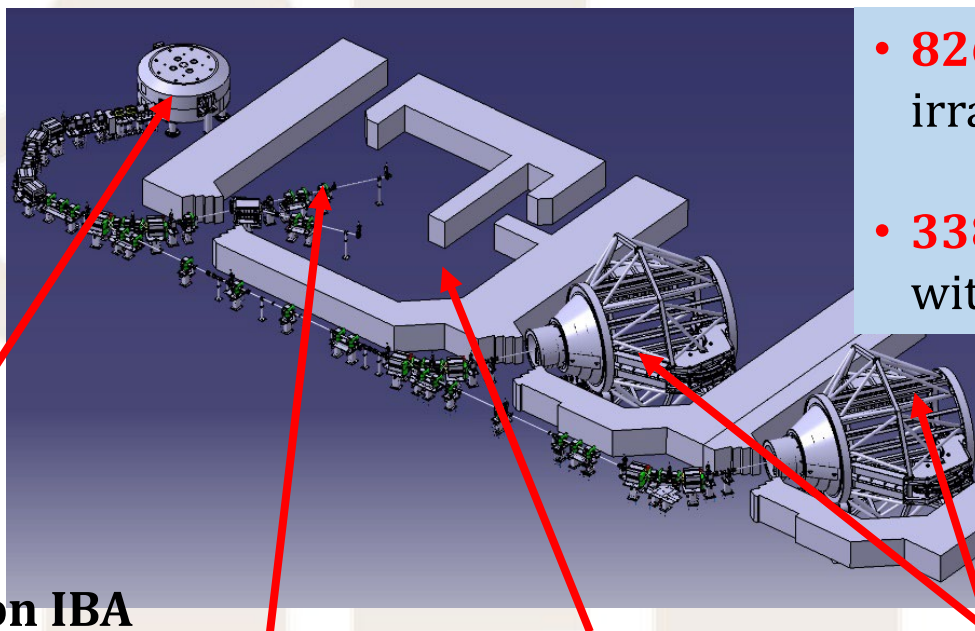
Staff: about **50** people

Construction 2010-2015;  
the 1st patient: October 2016



**AIC-144 cyclotron**

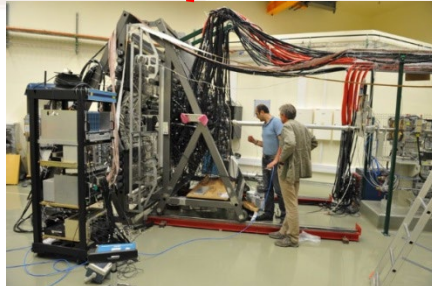
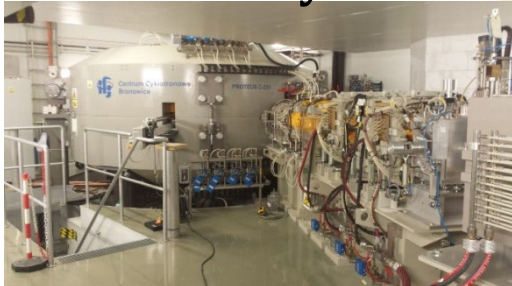
Start of operation :  
2005 – 2010  
Treatment of first  
patient with eye  
melanoma



- **826** patients finished irradiation in gantries
- **338** ocular patients with eye melanoma

Two dedicated  
scanning  
gantries

**Proteus-235 cyclotron IBA**



**Eye treatment**



**Division Head: Jacek Świerblewski**

Constructions of **big external research infrastructures** AND **advanced plans of local research base** (cryogenics, vacuum, precise mechanics, quality aspects, test of magnets, RF systems installations and tests,...)

➤ **Cooperation with:**



## Experience example

Experience example	FTE
E-XFEL – DESY, Hamburg, Niemcy	~165
ITER – Cadarache, France	~15
LHC – Long Shutdown 2	~47
European Spallation Source (ESS) – Lund, Sweden	~130



Klystrons used at ESS



XFEL cryomodules

**Results: about 10 publications/yr**

## Staff:

specialist/engineer/technician: **40**  
Phd/assoc. prof./prof.: **5**

Krakow School of Interdisciplinary PhD Studies was established in 6.05.2019

- I. The Henryk Niewodniczański Institute of Nuclear Physics PAN**
- II. Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry PAN**
- III. Jerzy Maj Institute of Pharmacology PAN**
- IV. Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute PAN**
- V. Strata Mechanics Research Institute PAN**
- VI. Institute of Metallurgy and Materials Science PAN**
  
- VII. Faculty of Materials Science and Ceramics AGH**
- VIII. Faculty of Physics and Applied Computer Science AGH**

Theoretical and experimental research work is carried out in the following directions:

- Particle physics and astrophysics
- Nuclear physics and strong interactions
- Solid state physics
- Interdisciplinary research:
  - medical physics,
  - physics in biological systems,
  - radiation protection,
  - environmental protection,
  - new energy sources.

**Heads of the School:**

**Andrzej Horzela**

**Mariola Kłusek-Gawenda**

**Jakub Bielecki**

## Laboratory of Individual and Environmental Dosimetry (LADIS)

- ❖ Measurements of individual and environmental doses by thermoluminescence method
- ❖ **210 000** measurements annually
- ❖ **11 000** institutions in Poland and Europe
- ❖ **50 000** radiation workers/measurement points under dosimetric supervision
- ❖ **730** installations of Roentgen radiography under supervision
- ❖ **Work in progress: implementation of the 1st in Poland Optically Stimulated Luminescence (OSL) system, based on BeO detectors**



## Laboratory of Calibration of Radiation Protection Instruments

- ❖ Calibration of up to **2300/yr** survey meters ( $\gamma$ -rays)
- ❖ Calibration of **240/yr** survey meters ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  surface emission)
- ❖ **150/yr** calibrations of passive dosimeters



# Accredited Laboratories

## Laboratory of Radiometric Expertise

- ❖ **695** measurements and expert opinions for external customers (materials, terrains, buildings, soil, water etc, ...)
- ❖ Calibrations of radon detectors
- ❖ Lectures and courses
- ❖ Designs of radon protection systems for buildings
- ❖ Mobile radiometric laboratory (van)



AB 788



## Laboratory of Radioactivity Analyses

- ❖ Laboratory is an important ingredient of the national network of radioactive contamination monitoring
- ❖ Member of the expert network "ALMERA" (Analytical Laboratories for the Measurement of Environmental Radioactivity, IAEA)
- ❖ **< 100/yr** commercial measurements of concentration of  $^{40}\text{K}$ ,  $^{228}\text{Th}$ ,  $^{226}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{238,239+240}\text{Pu}$ ,  $^{134,137}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{99}\text{Tc}$ ,  $^{131}\text{I}$ , ....
- ❖ Full-body counter (one of the two counters in Poland)



AB 979



## Underground Low Radiation Background Laboratory – application for funds

- ❖ Two sites – salt mines in Wieliczka and Bochnia
- ❖ Depth of 200-300 m
- ❖ Calibration of dosimetric equipment, low-level measurements of radioactivity

- ❖ **Team for Popularization of Scientific Research of IFJ PAN**
- ❖ **Team for Promotion and Education in Science**
- ❖ **Coordinators of Events related to Popularization of Science**

## **Projects supporting popularization of science**

- ❖ Project „Physics is the key to understanding the world” , 2020-2022 within the Program of the Minister of Education and Science: „Social Responsibility of Science”
- ❖ Project „International Promotion of IFJ PAN by Educational Films”, 2021-2023 within the Program „Welcome to Poland” of NAWA funding institution
- ❖ Project of European Committee: *European Researchers' Night*; 2022-2023

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# Outreach Activities – Promotion and Education in Science



Małopolska  
Researchers' Night



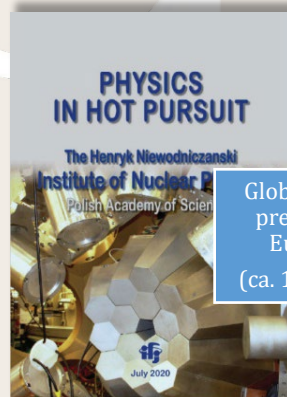
"Physics Couch"  
discussion series



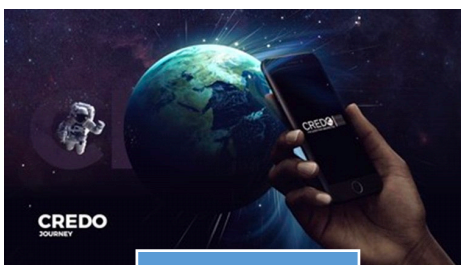
Shows "Fascinating  
Physics" for  
children and  
teenagers



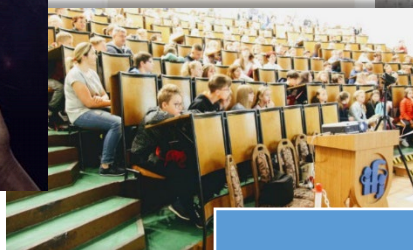
Musical spectacle  
"At the intersection  
of two infinities"



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„Particle Hunters”  
contest with the  
CREDO Detector  
application



Children's Day at  
IFJ PAN



Festival of Science  
and Art in Krakow

Scientific Picnic of  
the Polish Radio  
and Copernicus  
Science Centre

Scientific Picnic of  
the Polish Academy  
of Sciences

Visits of high school  
students to  
laboratories at IFJ  
PAN

IFJ PAN Open Day  
for students

Małopolski Festival  
of Innovation

QuickPhysX and  
QuizFiz contests

Silesian Science  
Festival in  
Katowice

Particle Physics  
Summer Student  
Program at IFJ PAN

Int. Masterclasses -  
Hands on Particle  
Physics for high  
school students

Making popular  
science movies on  
research carried  
out at IFJ PAN

Activity in social  
media: Facebook,  
Twitter and  
YouTube



**Thanks for your attention**

**Looking forward for our  
fruitful collaboration....**