



# The ANTARES adventure



- The ANTARES detector
  - Construction and dismantling
  - Detection Principle
  - Calibration and performances
- Scientific Results
  - Earth and Sea science
  - Particle Physics
  - High-Energy Astrophysics
- Passing the baton



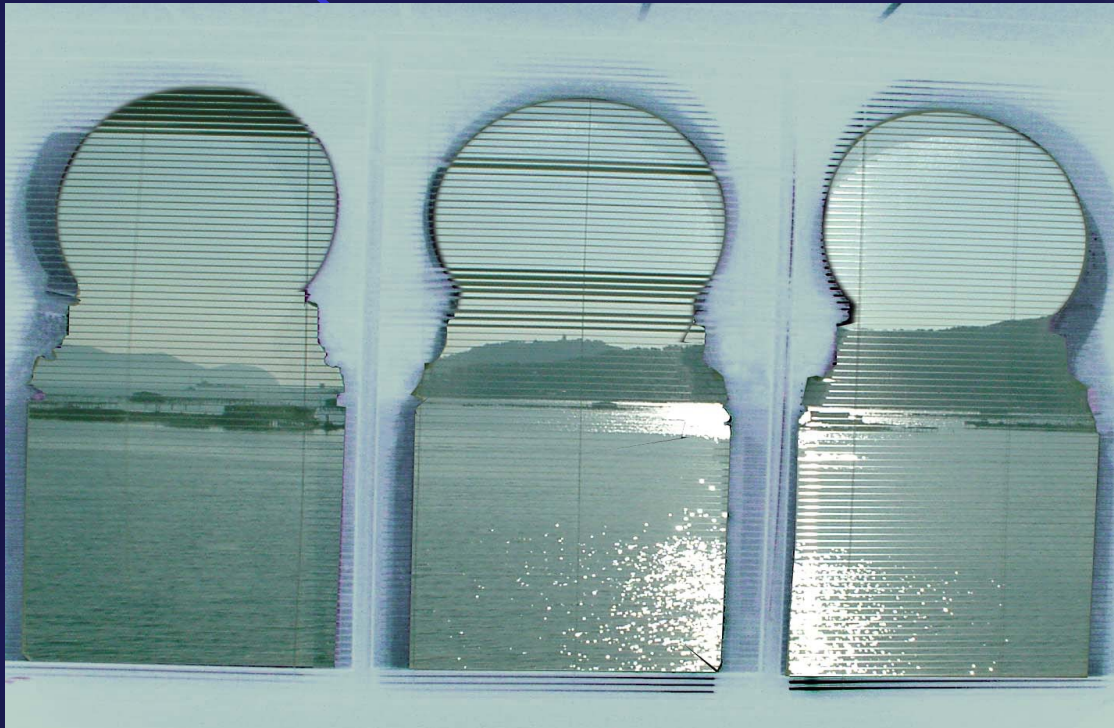
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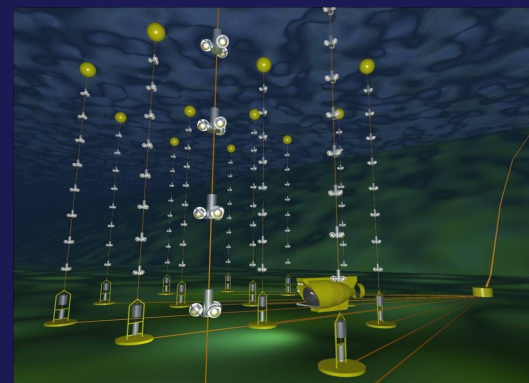


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Institute Michel Pacha



# Antares



42 50'N, 6 10'E

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# The ANTARES Neutrino Telescope

📖 NIM A 656 (2011) 11-38

- 25 storeys / line
- 3 PMTs / storey
- 885 PMTs

2500 m depth

350 m

100 m

~70 m

14.5 m

Deployed in 2001

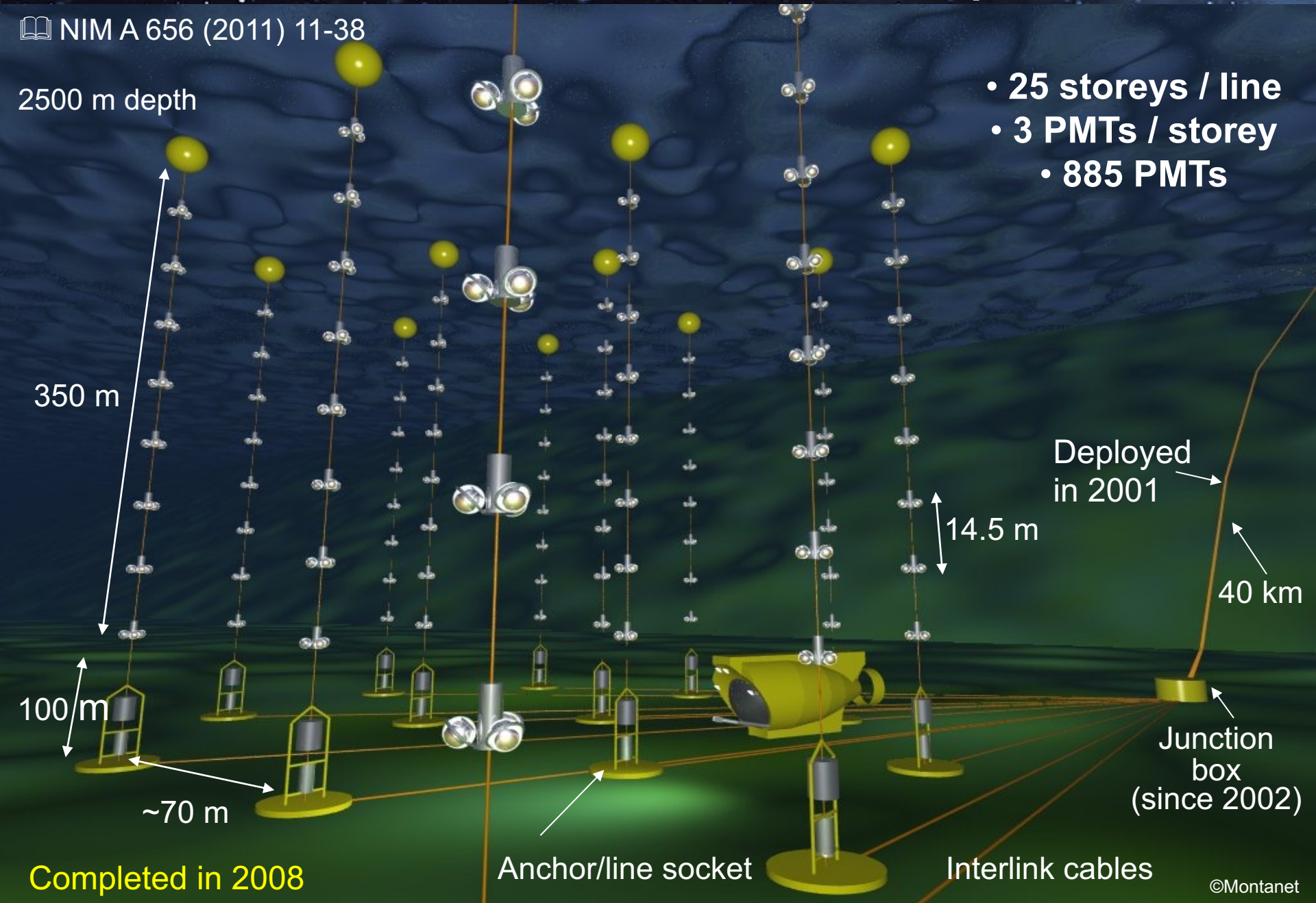
40 km

Junction box (since 2002)

Completed in 2008

Anchor/line socket

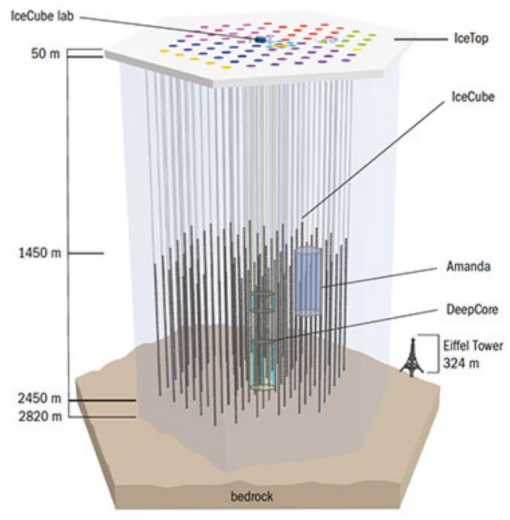
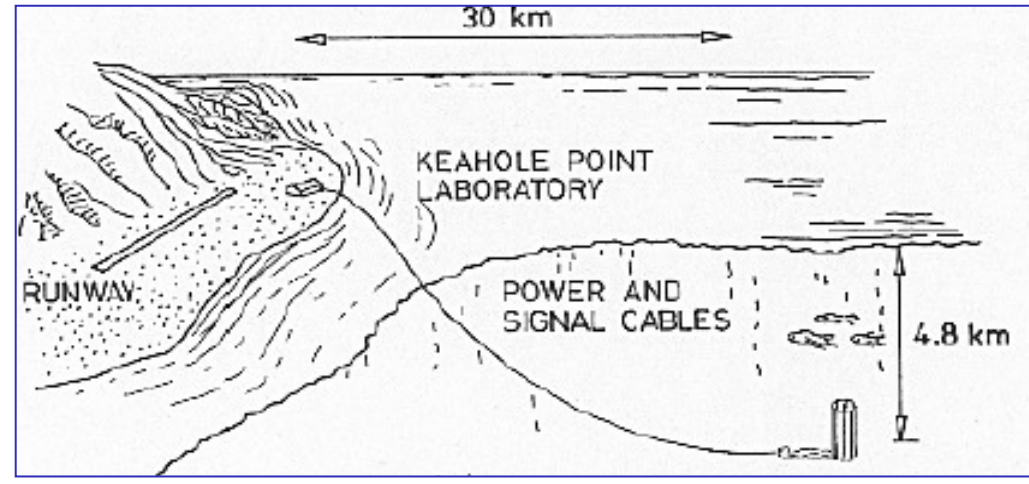
Interlink cables



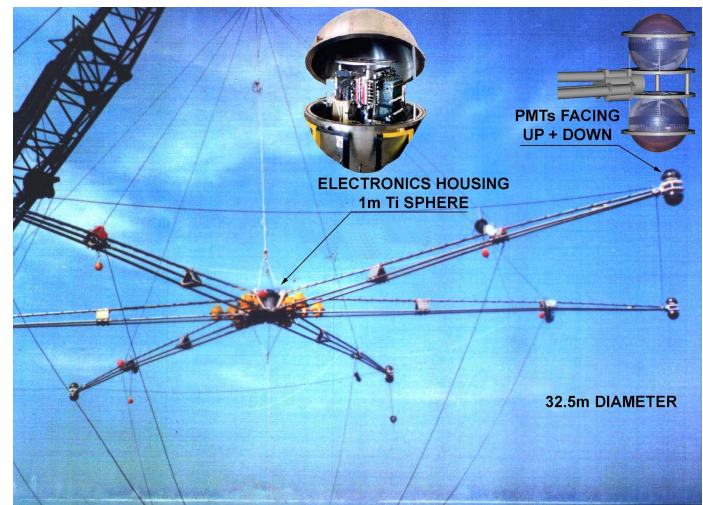
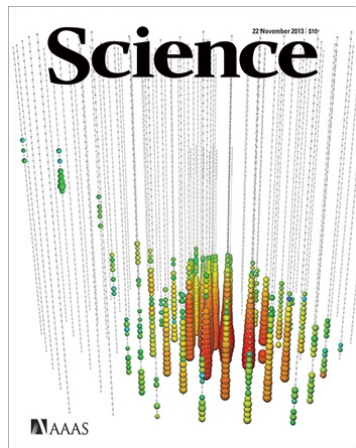
# Why the Deep Sea ?

As early as the mid-70's yearly workshops about  
**Deep Underwater Muon And Neutrino Detector**

December 1993: deployment of first string and connection to junction box. Failure after several hours  
1995: DUMAND project is terminated



IceCube

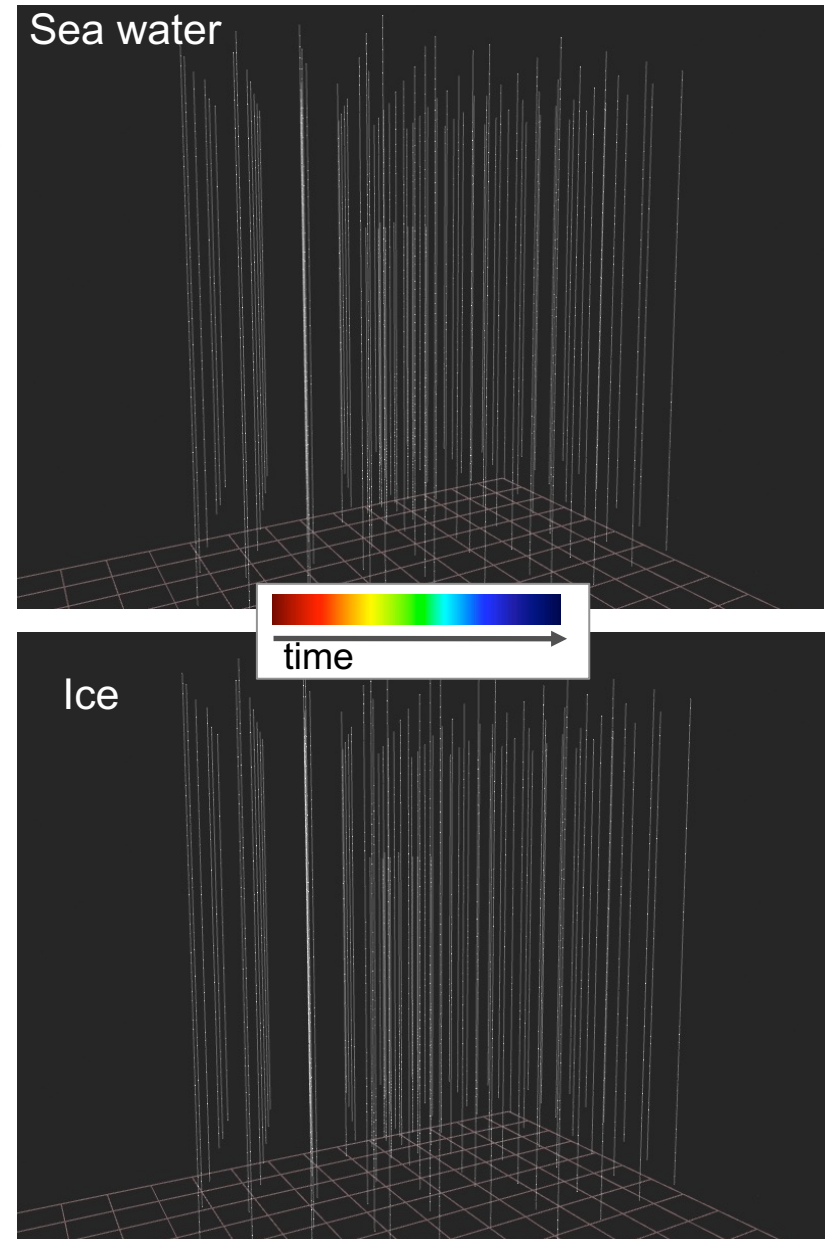


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# Why the Mediterranean Sea?

- Long (homogeneous) scattering length
  - Good pointing accuracy
- Deep sites: 2500→5000m
  - Shielding from downgoing muons
- Logistically attractive
  - Close to shore (deployment / repair)
- Complementarity to IceCube South Pole
  - Excellent view of Galaxy
- Mild Latitude
  - On/off studies → Background control
- K40 optical background
  - Useful calibration, but requires causality filters



# The first deep-sea Neutrino Telescope

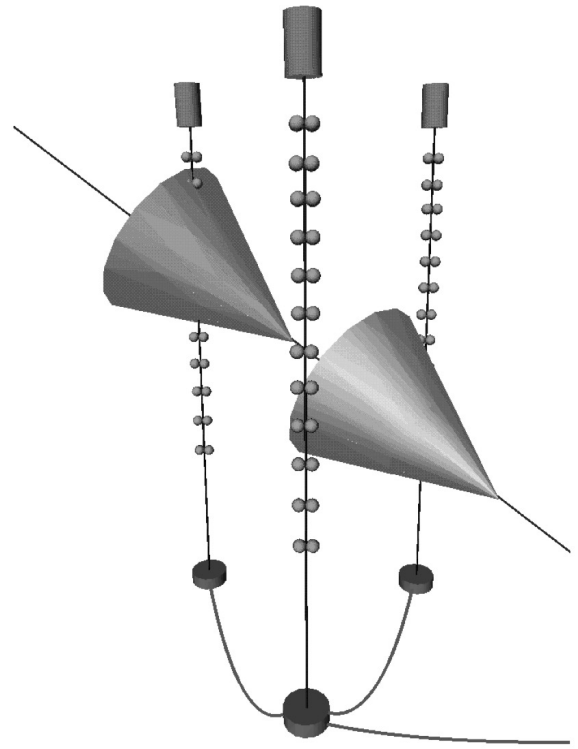
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## ANTARES

Astronomy with a Neutrino Telescope and Abyss environmental REsearch

### TOWARDS A LARGE SCALE HIGH ENERGY COSMIC NEUTRINO UNDERSEA DETECTOR

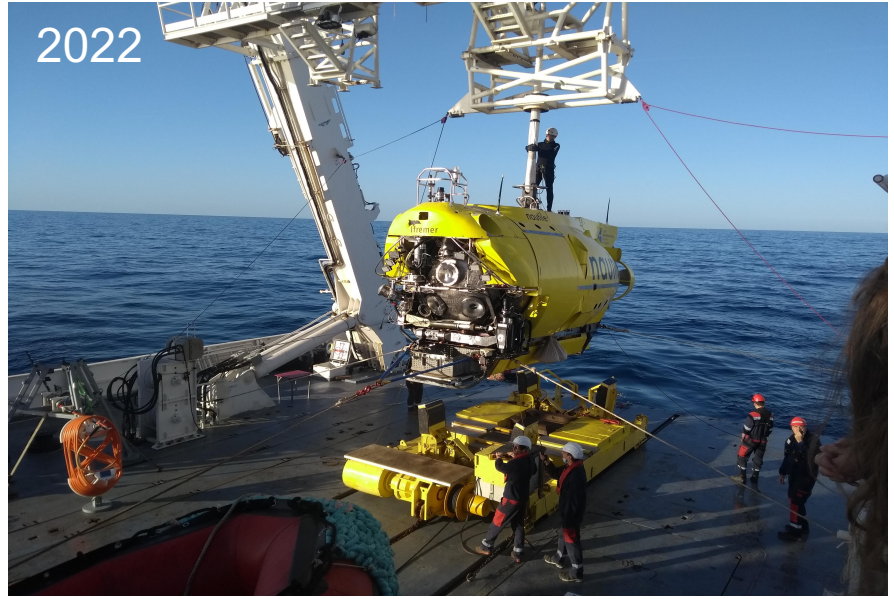
arXiv:astro-ph/9707136v1 11 Jul 1997



PROPOSAL - May 1997



# ANTARES 2001-2022



- 2001 Main Electro-Optical Cable
- 2002 Junction box
- 2003 Prototype Sector Line
- 2005 Mini Instrumentation Line with OMs
- 2006 First complete detector line
- 2008 Detector with 12 lines completed
- 2016 Running (almost) without common funds
- 2022 Data taking terminated

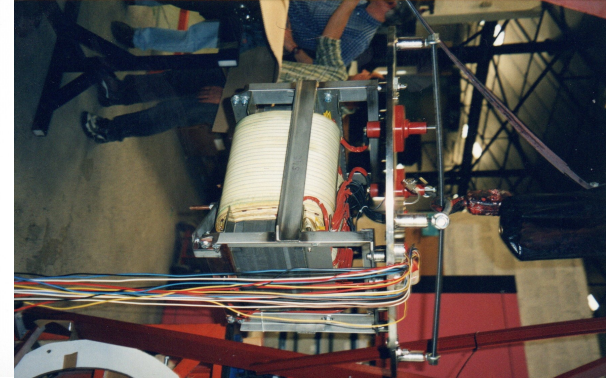
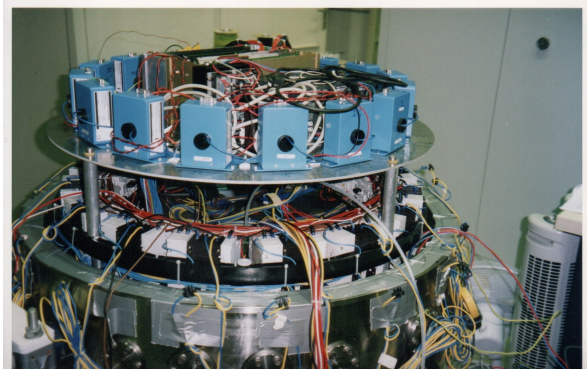
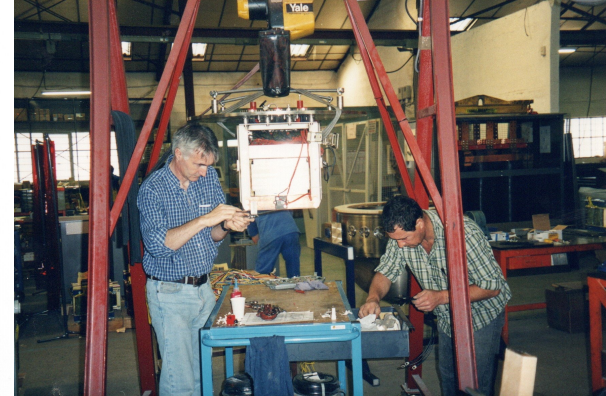
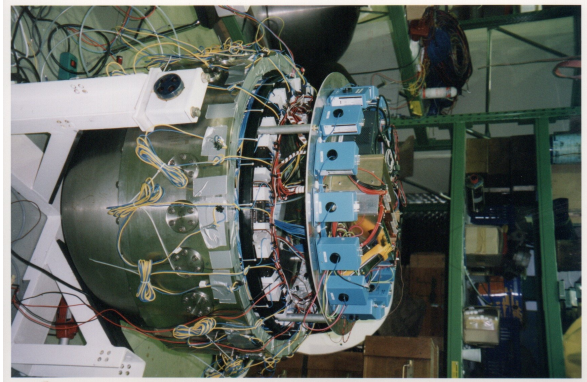
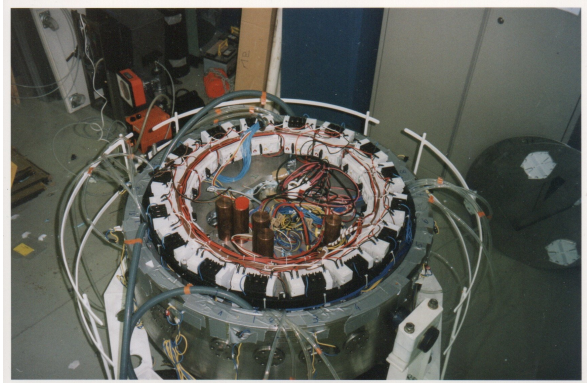


# Main Electro-Optical Cable - 2001



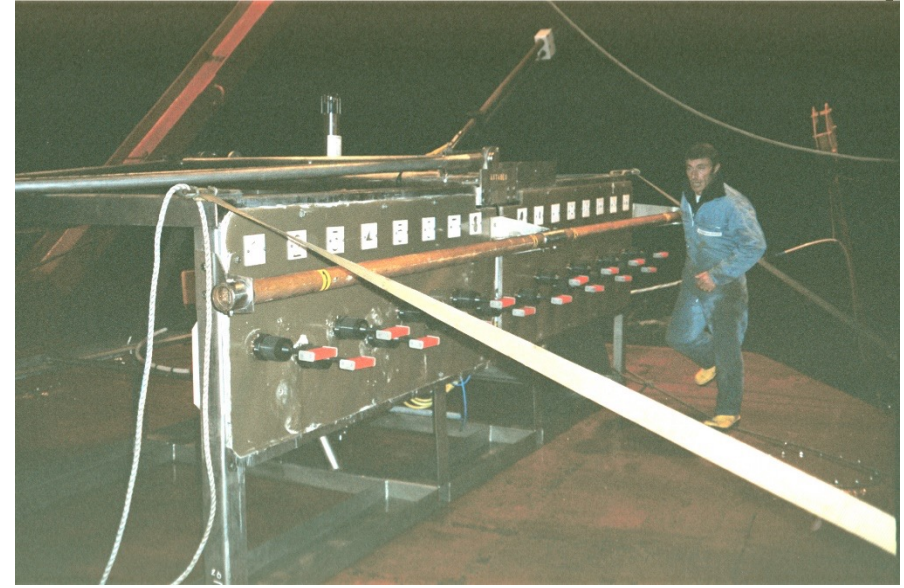


# Junction Box 2002 – Construction





# Junction Box 2002 – Deployment





# Junction Box 2002

Worked reliably for 20 years  
No failure, no repair needed  
Waiting for recovery and potential second life?





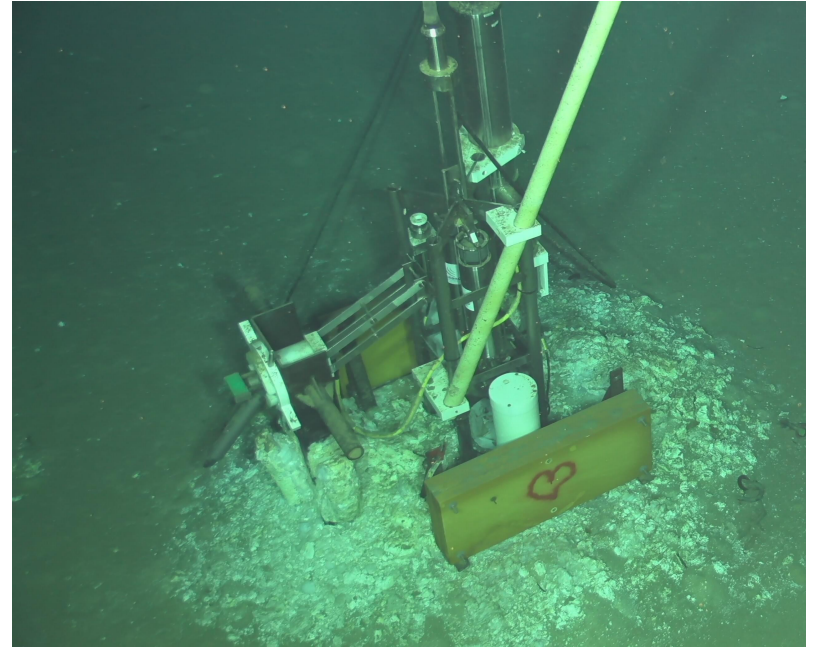
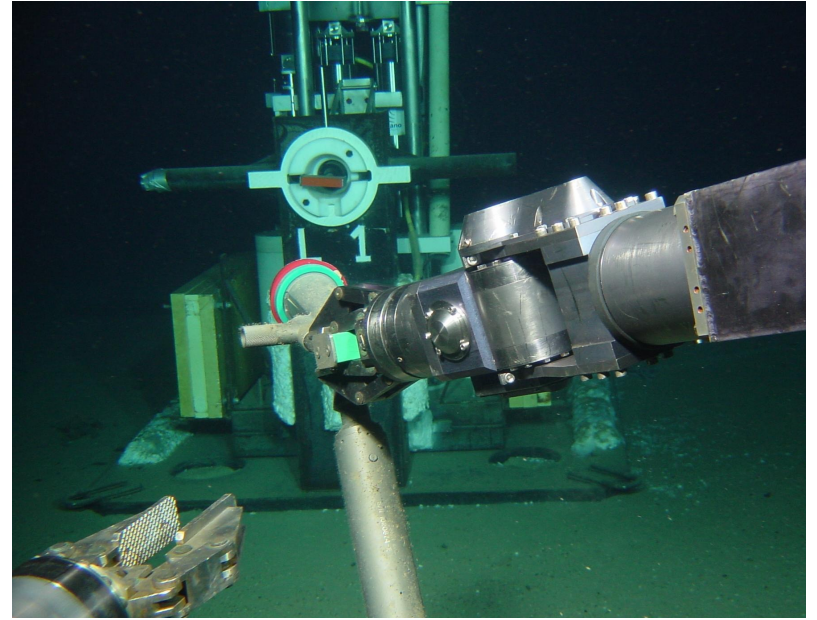
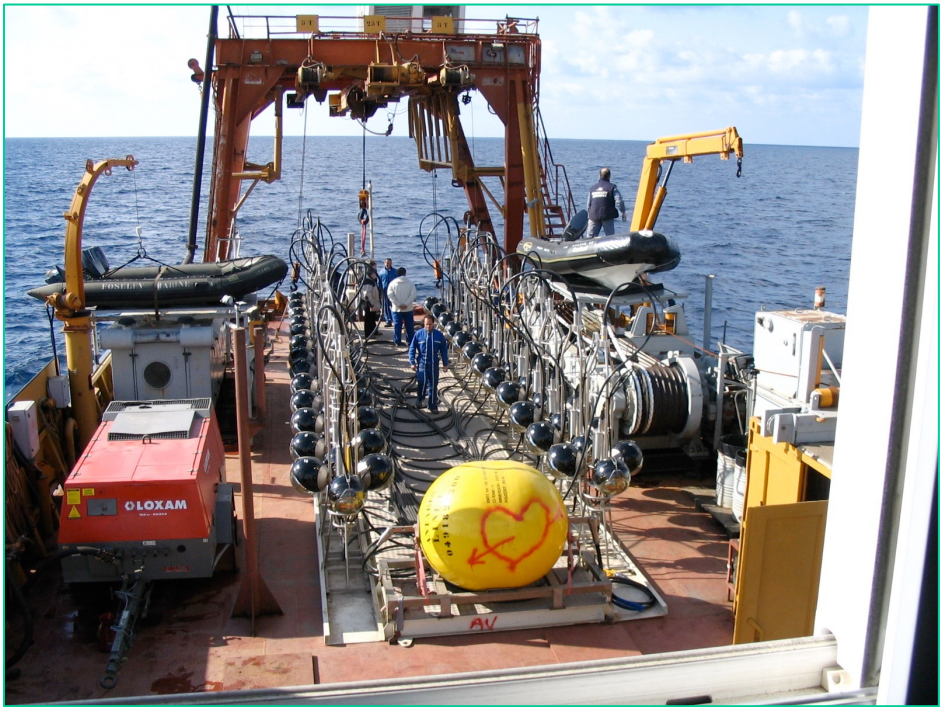
# First complete detector line - 2006





# First complete detector line – 2006 - 2022

Deployment 14/02/2006  
Connection March 2006  
Disconnection February 2022



# First part of recovery completed (6 lines)



Picture from last week

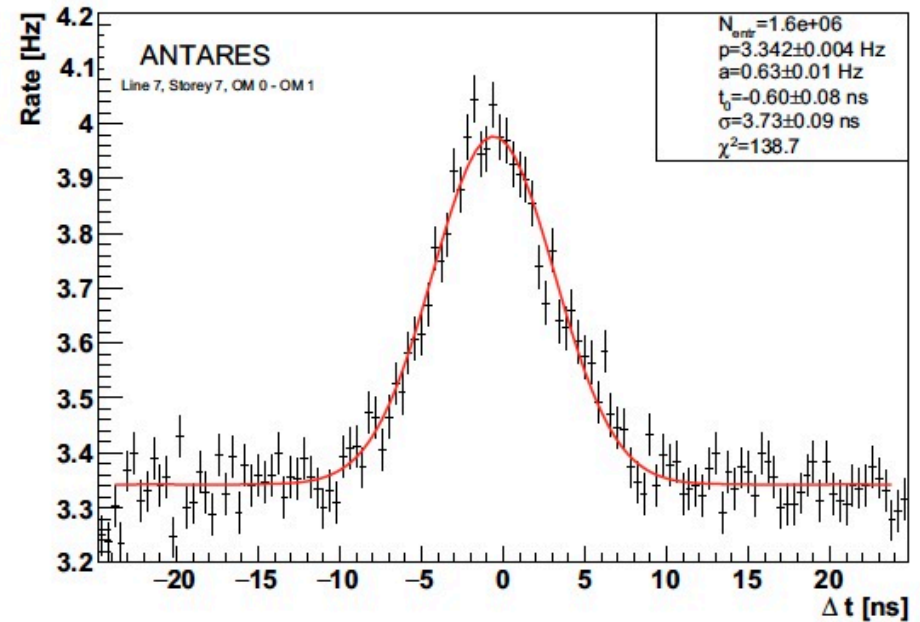
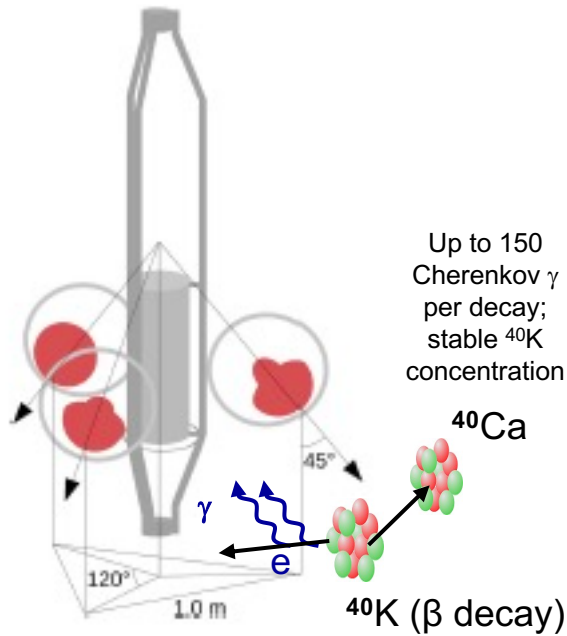


# Including Line 1, 16 years after...





# $^{40}\text{K}$ (long-term) monitoring



ANTARES PMT efficiencies from K40



Regular tunings  
Only ~20% efficiency loss

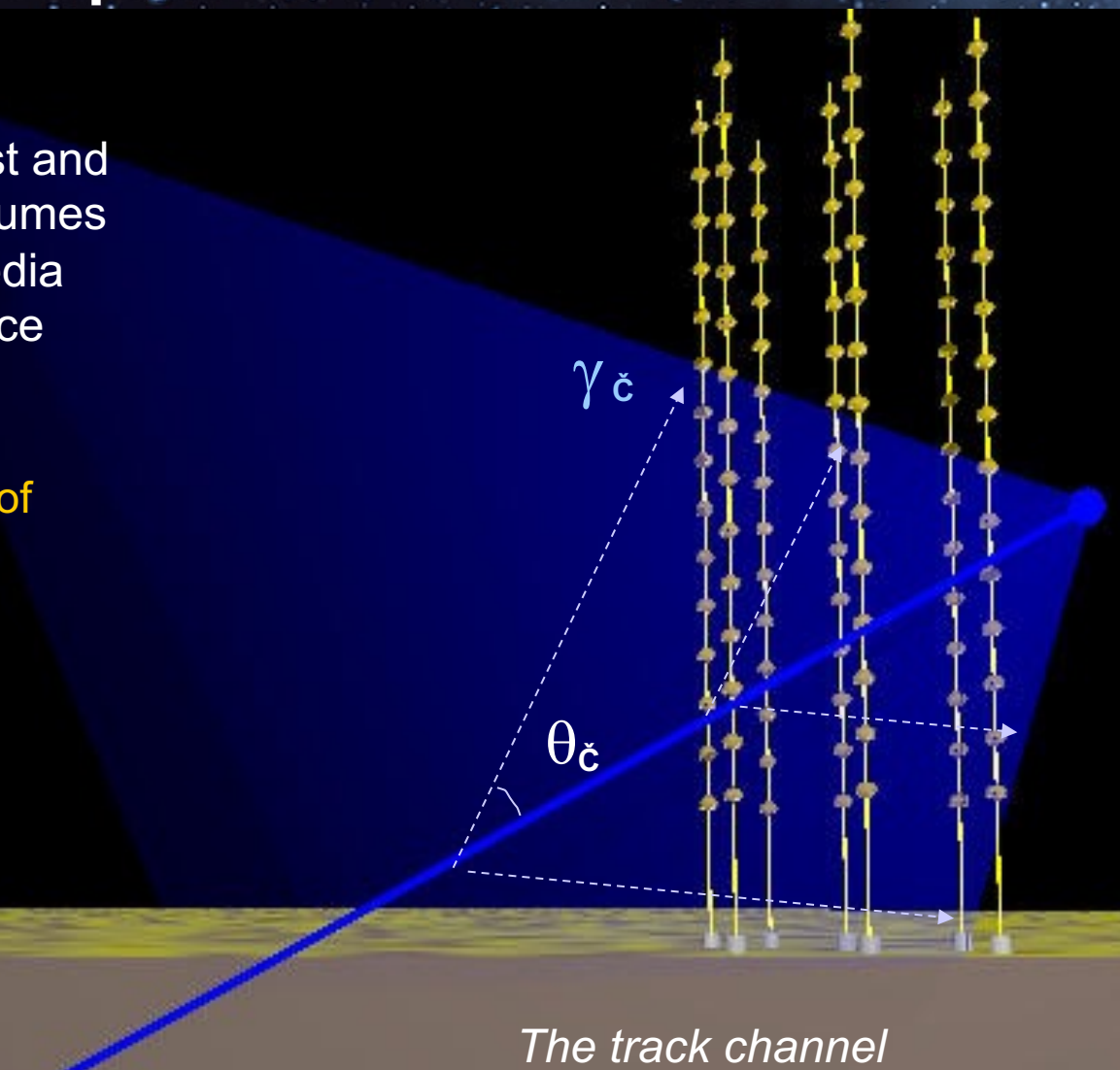
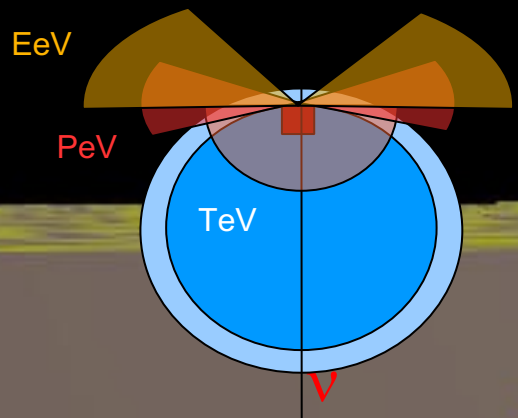
$^{40}\text{K}$  powerful calibration tool



# Detection Principles: Cherenkov

Natural radiators are low cost and allow huge instrumented volumes in dark but transparent media  
→ Deep lake, seawater, ice

Detection of Cherenkov light induced by the travel of relativistic muons with a 3D array of PMTs



*The track channel*

Time, position, amplitude of PMT pulses  $\Rightarrow$   $\mu$  trajectory

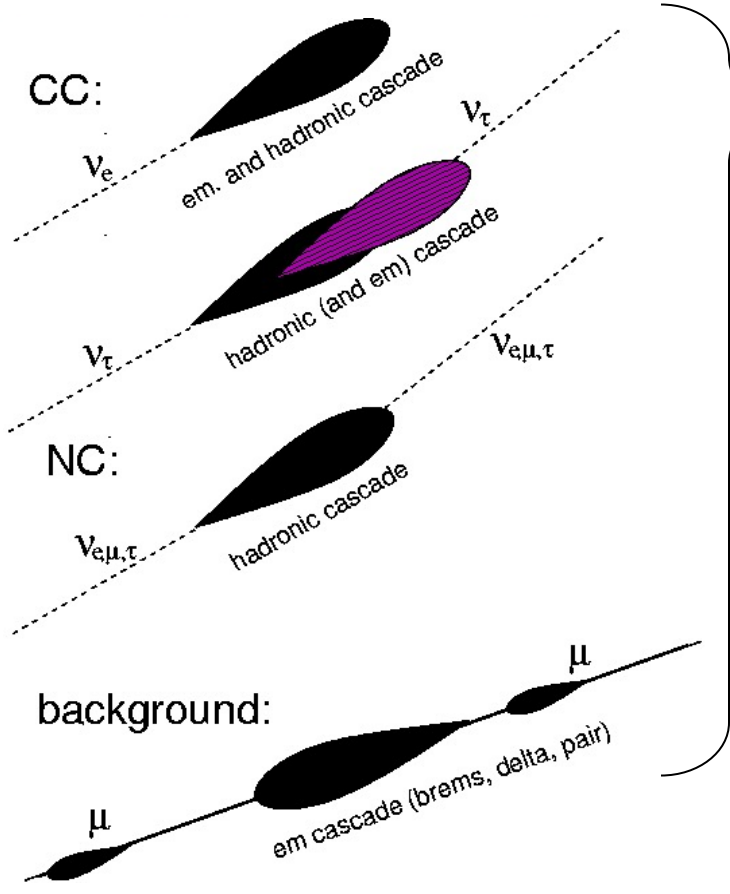


# Cascade topology

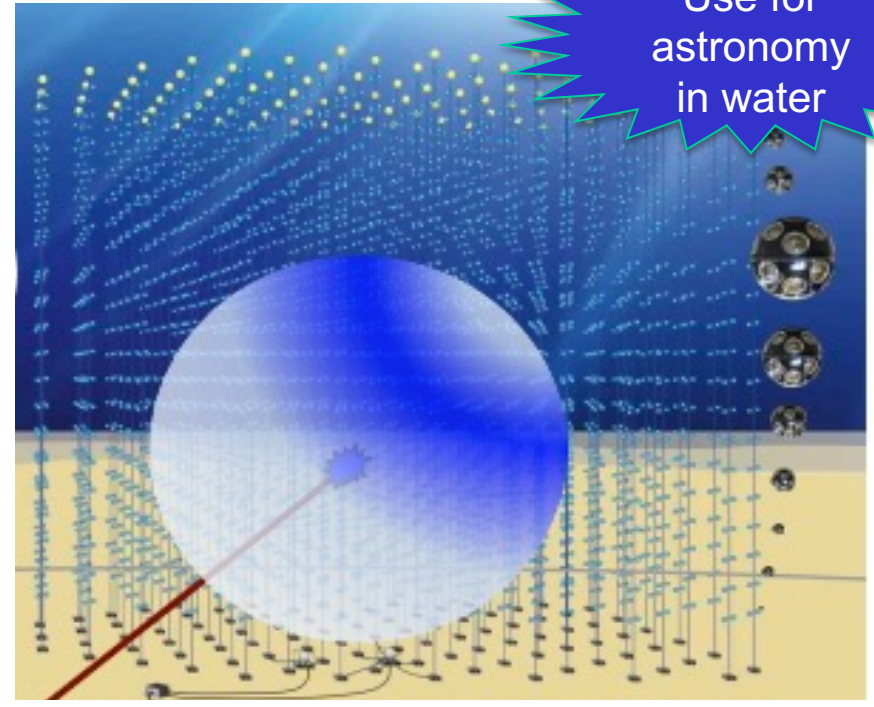
$\nu_e:\nu_\mu:\nu_\tau=1:2:0$  at source

oscillation

$\nu_e:\nu_\mu:\nu_\tau=1:1:1$  at Earth !



*IceCube discovery channel*



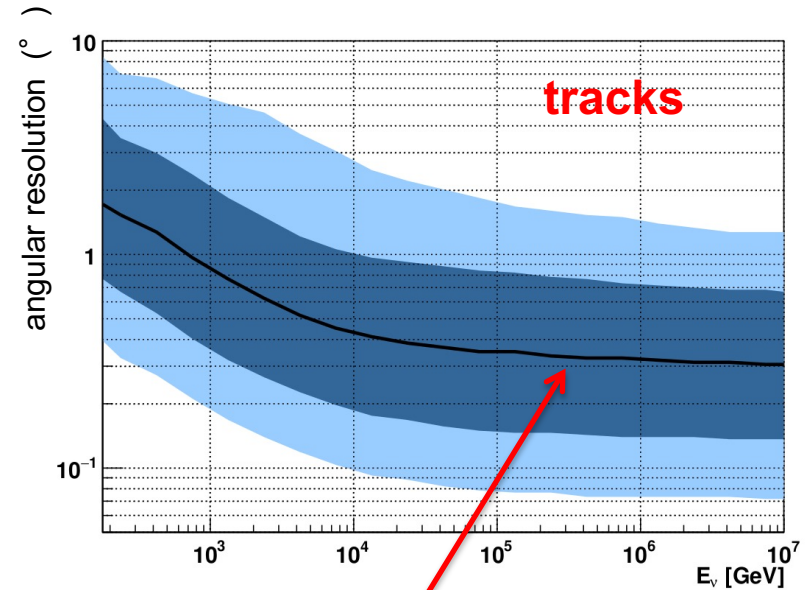
Use for astronomy in water

→ Provides sensitivity to all neutrino flavours – Increases overall sensitivity

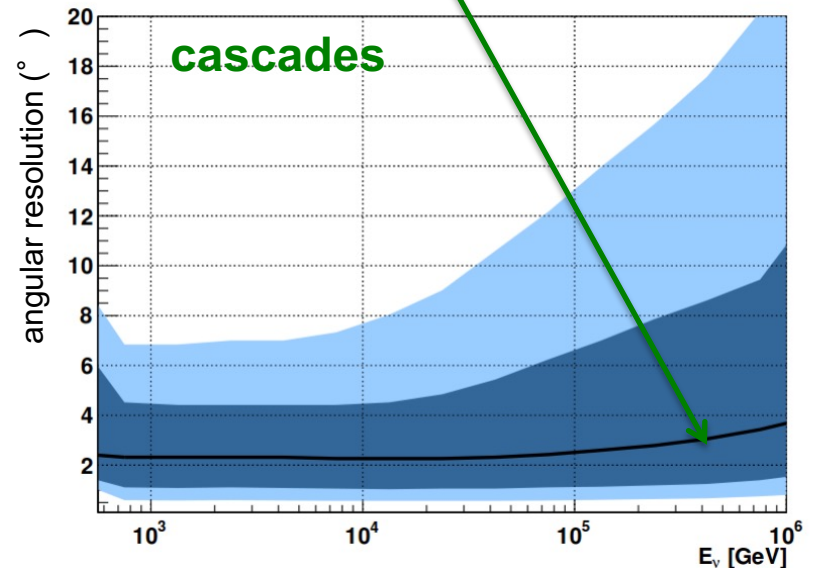


# Reconstruction performances

- Upgoing **track events** ( $\nu_\mu$ CC)
  - Angular resolution  $< 0.4^\circ$  for  $E_\nu > 10$  TeV
  - 90% purity
  - Energy resolution of about a factor 2
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- Upgoing **cascade events** ( $\nu_e / \nu_\tau$  CC, NC)
  - Angular resolution  $< 3^\circ$
  - Energy resolution for  $\nu_e$ CC better than 10%

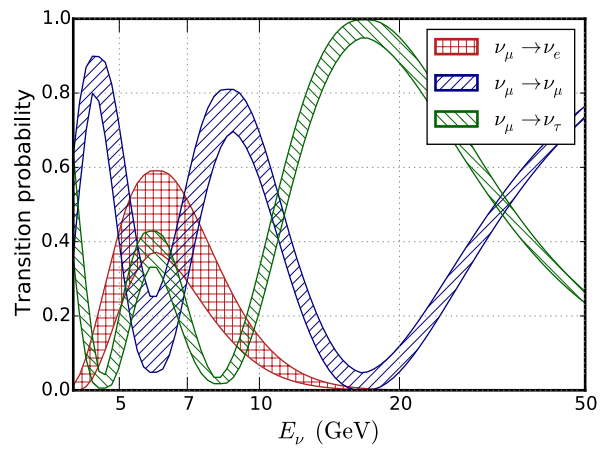


median resolution

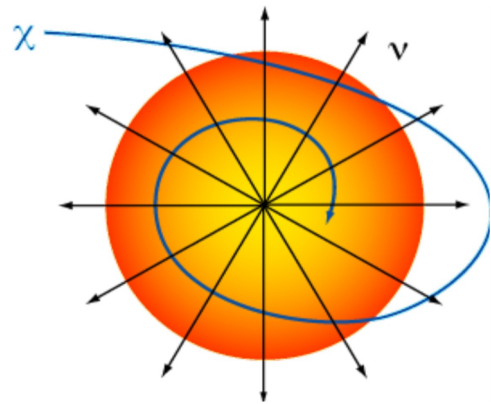




# Science scope



Low Energy  
 $> 10 \text{ GeV}$



Medium Energy  
 $10 \text{ GeV} < E_\nu < 10 \text{ TeV}$



High Energy  
 $E_\nu > 1 \text{ TeV}$



$\nu$  Oscillations

Dark matter search

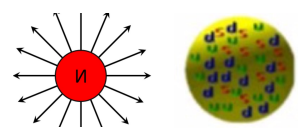
$\nu$  from extra-terrestrial sources



Talk by Adrian Saina

+ Exotic searches

Origin and production mechanism of high-energy Cosmic-rays



# A multidisciplinary observatory

📖 Deep-Sea Research I 58 (2011) 875–884

*Acoustic and optical variations during rapid downward motion episodes in the deep North Western Mediterranean*

📖 PLoS ONE 8 (7) 2013

*Deep-sea bioluminescence blooms after dense water formation at the ocean surface*

📖 Ocean Dynamics, April 2014, 64, 4, 507-517

*High-frequency internal wave motions at the ANTARES site in the deep Western Mediterranean*

📖 J of Geophysical Research: Oceans, 122, 3, 2017

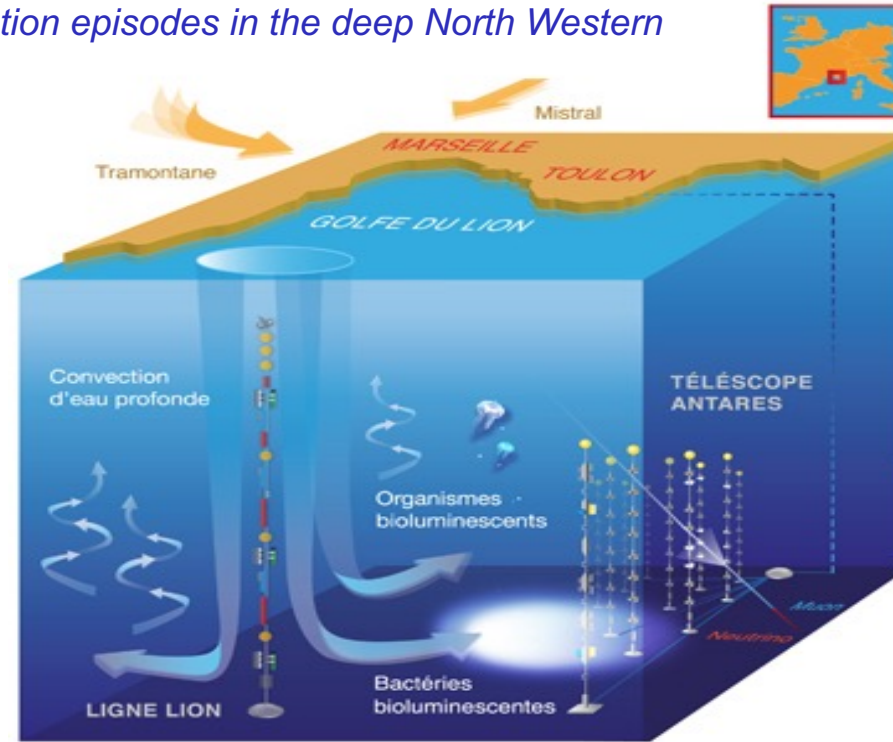
*Deep sediment resuspension and thick nepheloid layer generation by open-ocean convection*

📖 Sci. Rep. 7 (2017) 45517

*Sperm whale diel behaviour revealed by ANTARES, a deep-sea neutrino telescope*

📖 <https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.08063>

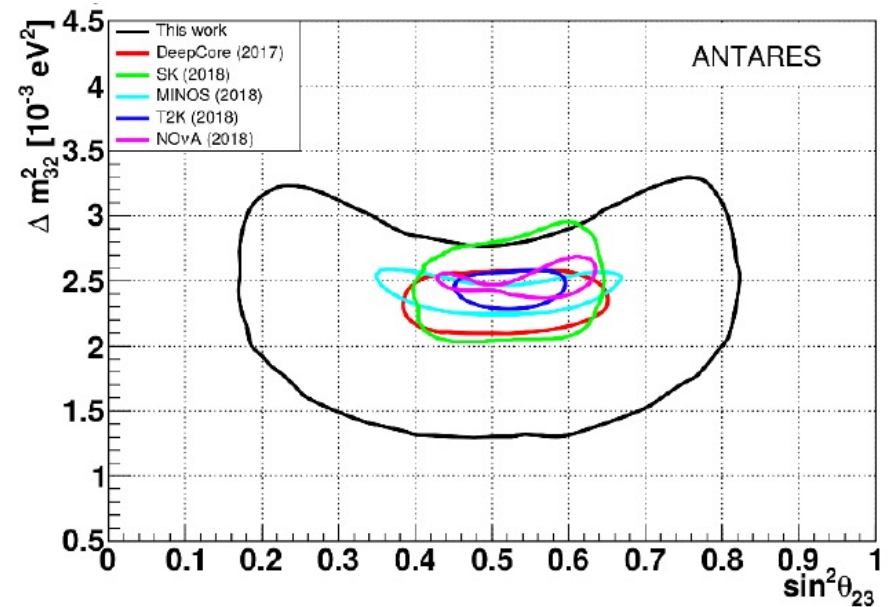
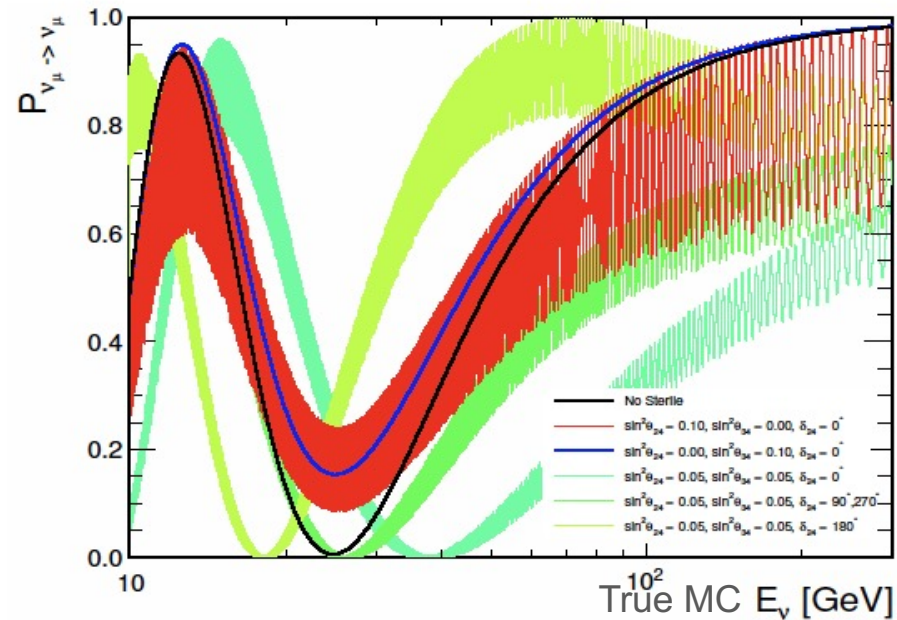
*Studying Bioluminescence Flashes with the ANTARES Deep Sea Neutrino Telescope*





# Updated Oscillation Studies

For illustration: Vertical Upgoing



 J. High Energ. Phys. (2019) 2019: 113

- Data from (2007-2016) sample - 2830 days of lifetime
- 7710 events selected, two reconstruction procedures
- Track channel only,  $E_{\text{reco}}$  from muon range
- A binned likelihood fit (Poisson stat.) is performed in two dimensions ( $\log_{10}(E_{\text{reco}}), \cos\theta_{23}^{\text{reco}}$ )
- Sample soon public

**No-oscillation hypothesis excluded at  $4.6\sigma$**

# Updated Oscillation Studies Sterile & NSI

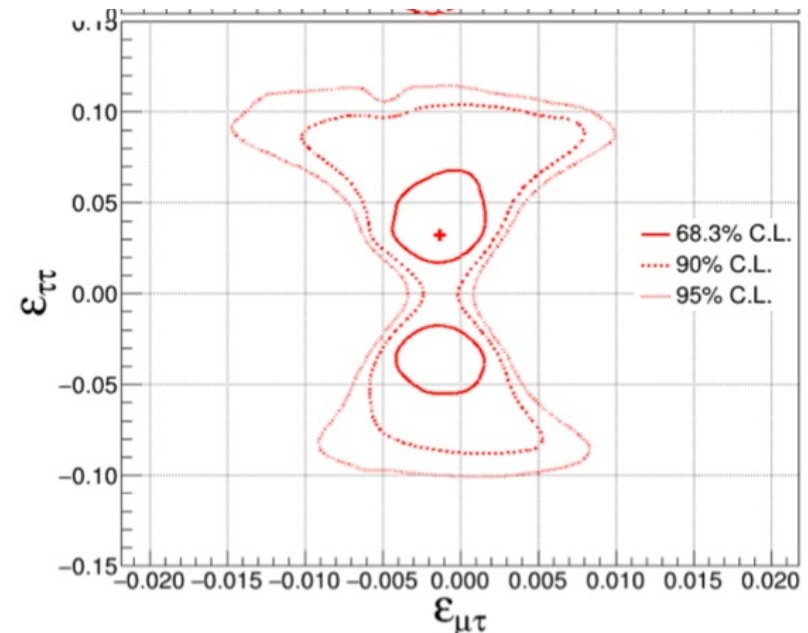
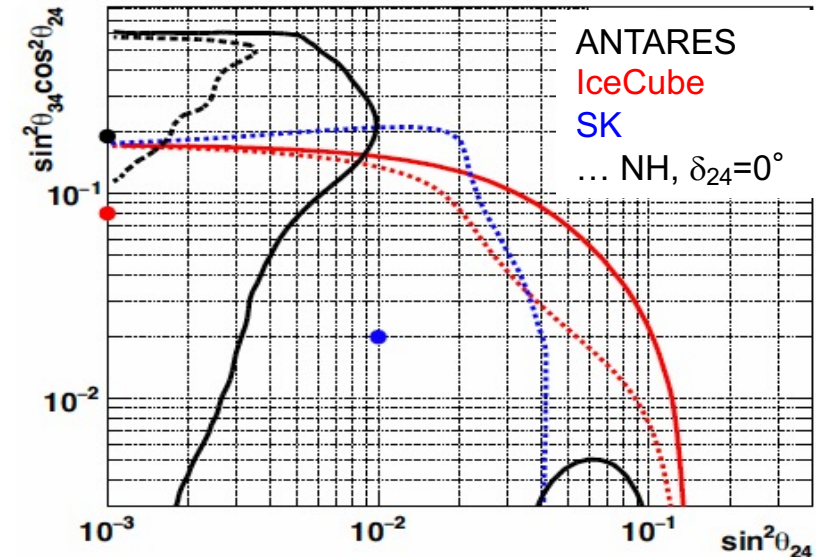
- (3+1) sterile neutrino models  $\Delta m_{41}^2 > 0.5 \text{ eV}^2$
- Tight complementary information to eV-scale sterile neutrino searches

Our results (90% CL) exclude regions of the parameter space not yet excluded by other experiments.

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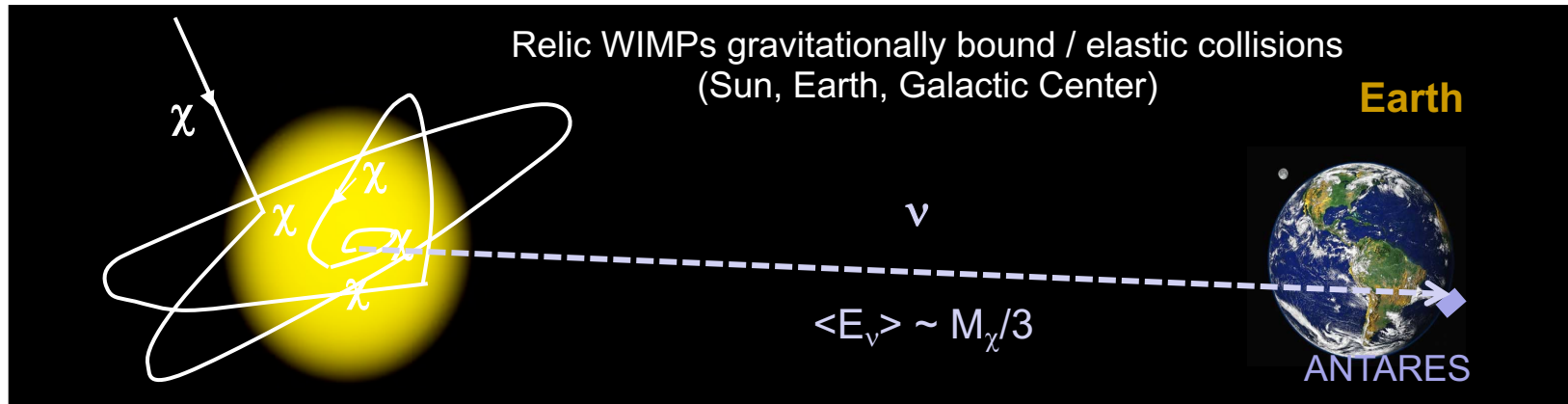
- Non-standard interaction signature in neutrino oscillation patterns are detectable
- Mild hint for non-standard interactions observed in 10 years of ANTARES data
- The non-NSI hypothesis is disfavoured with a significance of  $1.7\sigma$  ( $1.6\sigma$ ) for the normal (inverted) mass ordering scenario.

 <http://arxiv.org/abs/2112.14517>





# Indirect Search for Dark Matter



## Earth

Physics of the Dark Universe, 16 (2017) 41–48

## Sun

Phys.Lett. B759 2016  
JCAP 05 (2016) 016  
JCAP11 (2013) 032

## Galactic Center

arXiv:2203.06029  
Phys. Lett. B 805 135439 (2020).  
Phys. Rev. D 102, 082002 (2020)  
Phys. Lett. B 769 (2017) 249  
JCAP 10 (2015) 068



Talk by Adrian Saina

Competitive limits !

Our analyses do not include  
showers (all flavors) yet

Improvements ahead

# Search for Exotic Physics with ANTARES

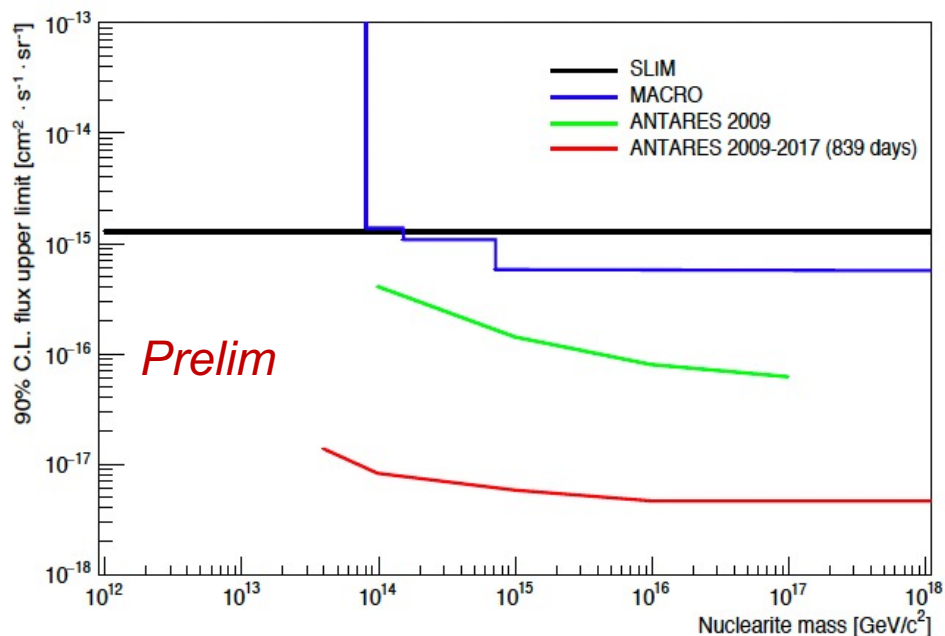
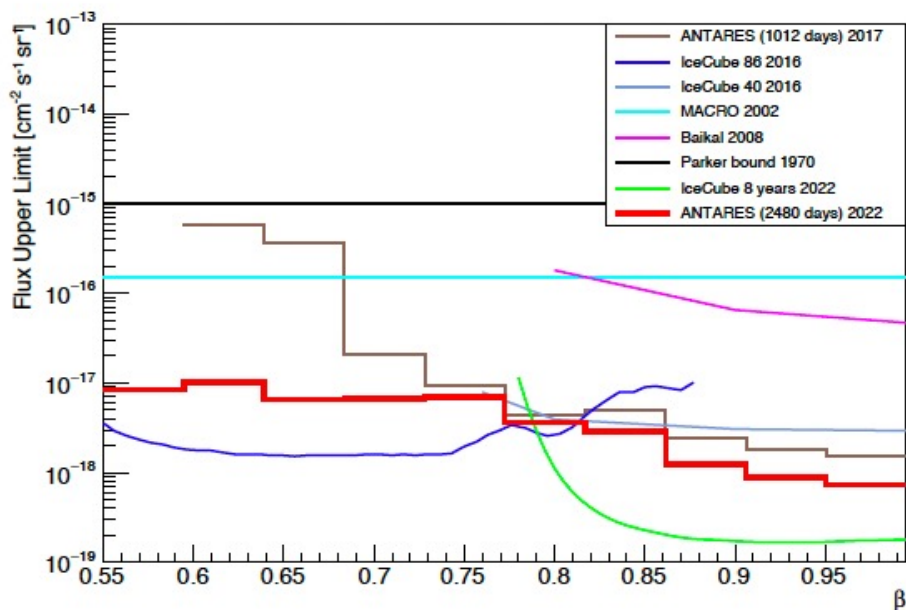
## Monopoles

Magnetic monopoles

Kasama, Yang and Goldhaber model  
Adapted reco for slow moving particles

## Nuclearites

Nuclearites of strange quark matter  
Down going flux with Galactic velocities  
according to de Rújula & Glashow model





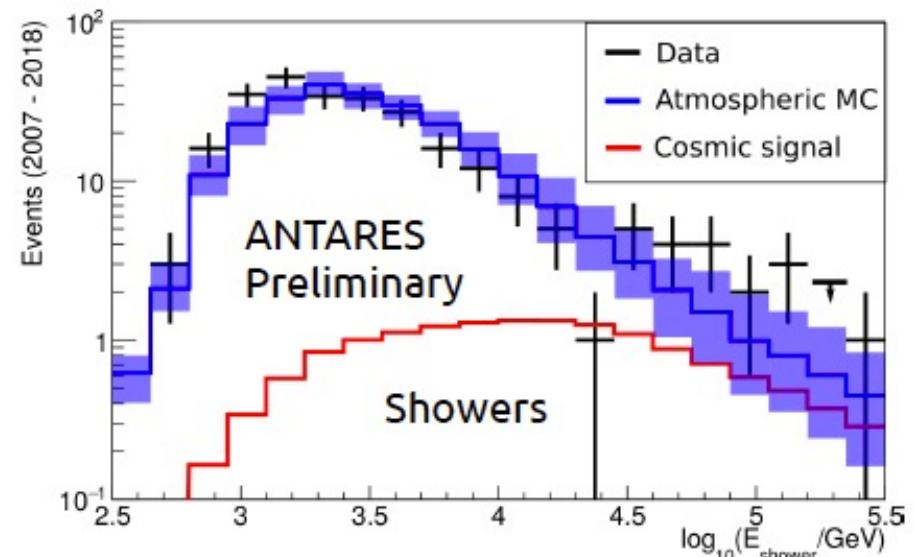
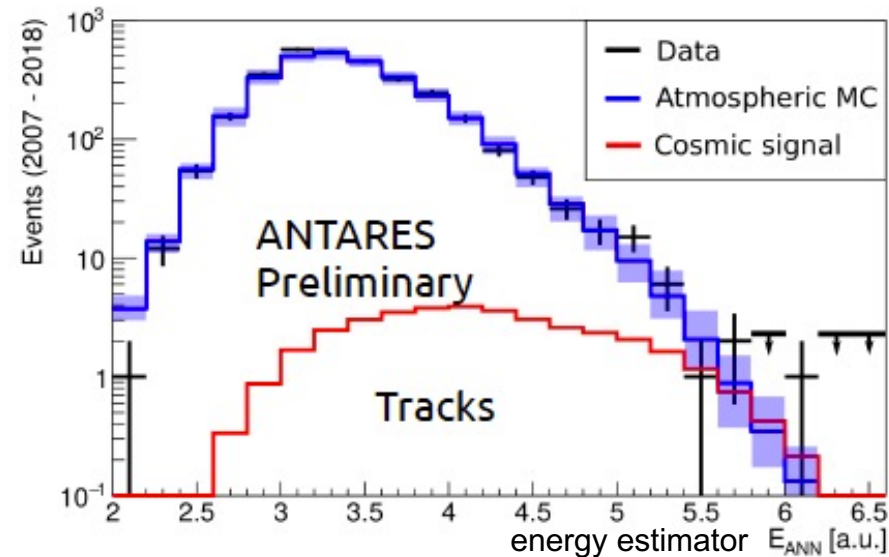
# Diffuse flux

<https://pos.sissa.it/358/891/pdf> (ICRC 19)

Updated data sample @ ICRC2019: 2007-2015 (2450 days) → 2007-2018 (3330 days)

All-sky / All-flavor neutrino search

- Selection cuts optimized with MRF procedure (assumed spectral index  $\Gamma = 2.5$ )
- Look for excess above a given  $E_{th}$
- Combine track & shower samples



Data: 50 events (27 tracks + 23 showers)

Background expectation (atm. flux, incl. prompt) :

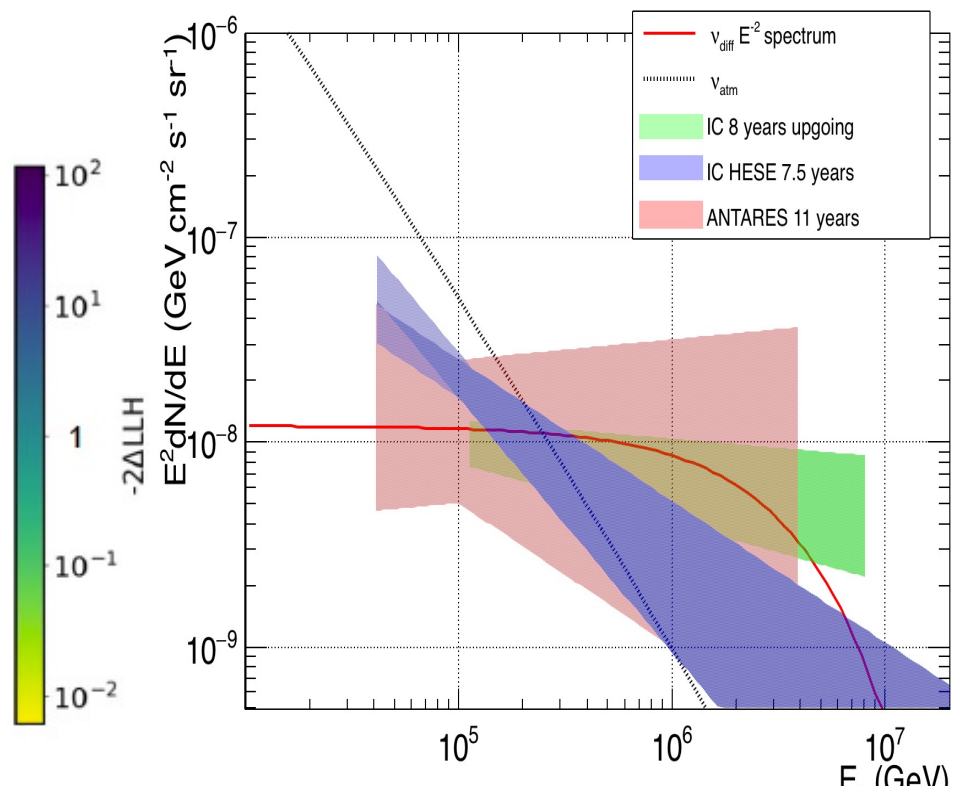
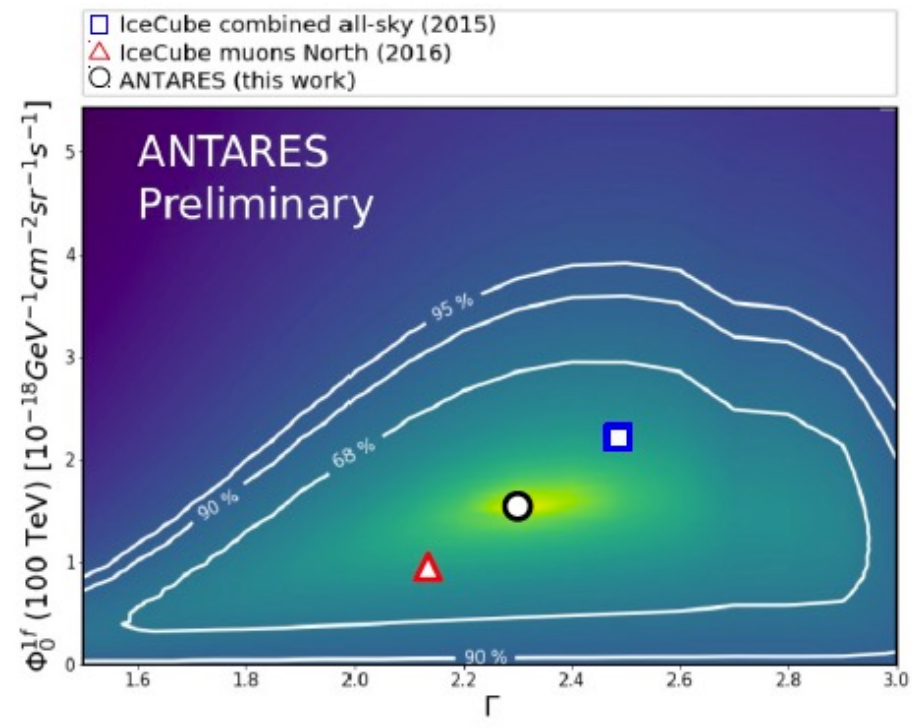
$36.1 \pm 8.7$  (19.9 tracks and 16.2 showers) – stat. + syst.

Results not really constraining... but fully compatible with IceCube

# Diffuse flux – Towards a confirmation of IC ?

Combined (tracks+showers) likelihood fitting:

Cosmic:  $\Phi_{100 \text{ TeV}} = (1.5 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-18} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$   
 $\Gamma = 2.3 \pm 0.4$

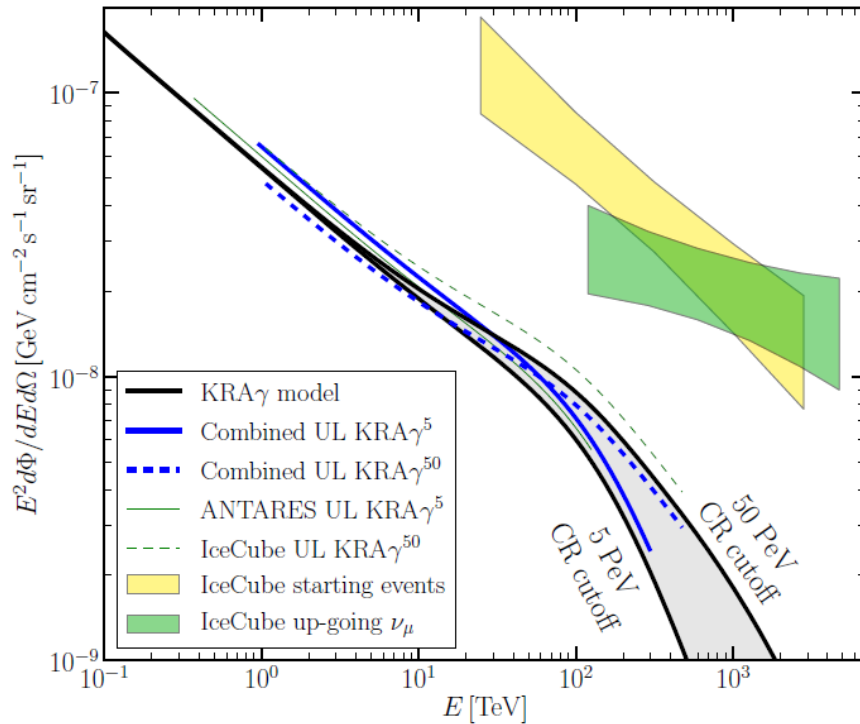


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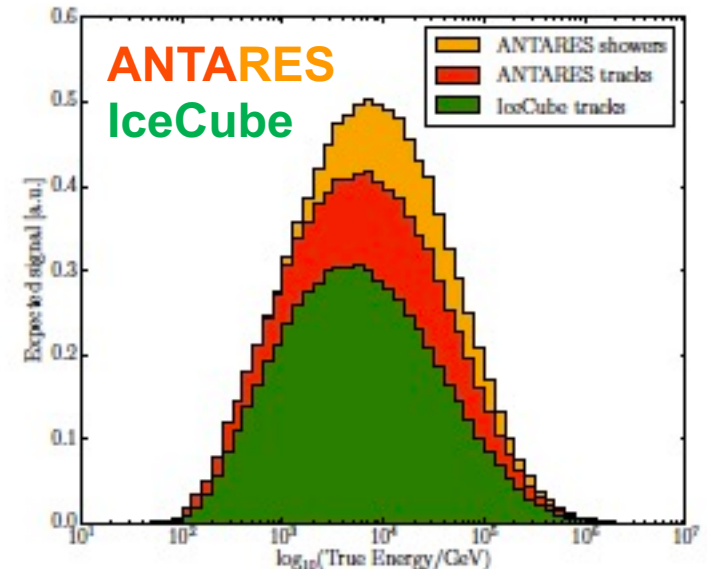
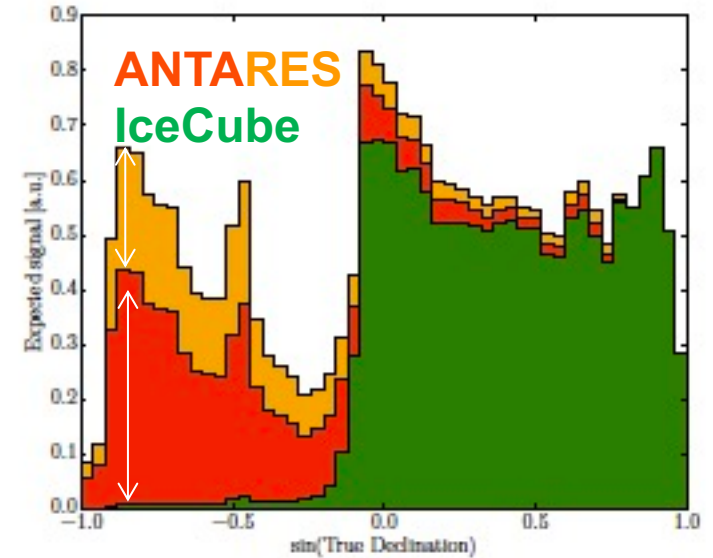


# Search for diffuse flux from Galactic ridge

Combined U.L. at 90% CL (blue line) on the 3-flavor neutrino flux of the  $KRA\gamma$  model (5-50 PeV cutoff)



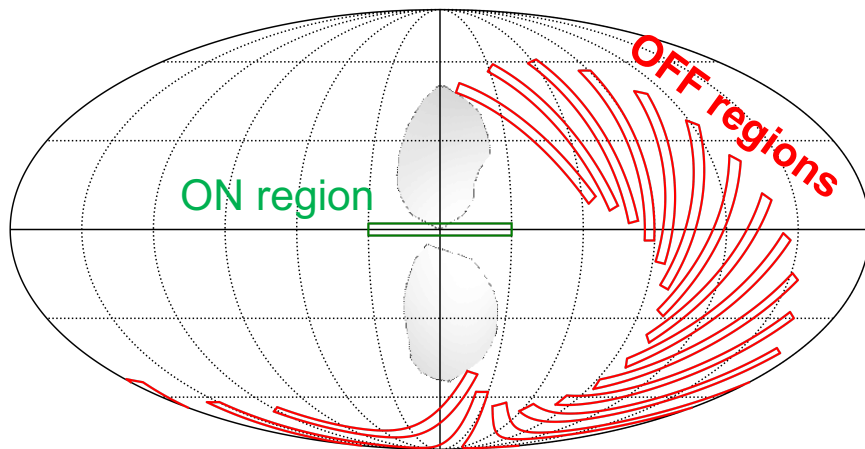
Stacked expected signal vs.  $\delta$  (top) and energy (bottom). Colors relative contribution to the sensitivity



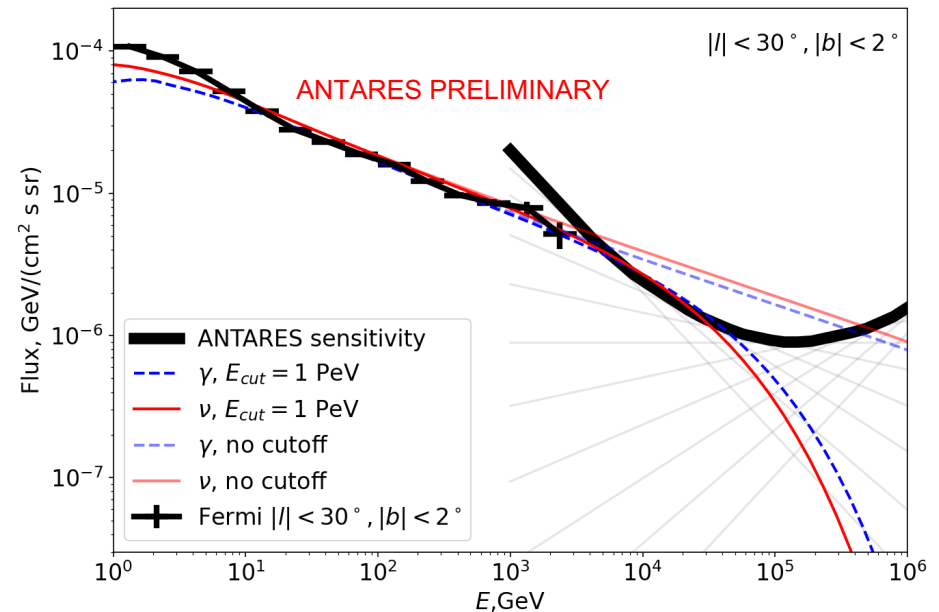
**Result:** total flux contribution of **diffuse Galactic neutrino** emission **<9%** of the total diffuse IC astrophysical signal ( $E_\nu > 30$  TeV)  
Updates ongoing...

# Simpler ON/OFF approach

Galactic ridge region definition:  
 $||l| < l_{\text{ridge}} \approx 30\text{-}40^\circ$  and  $|b| < b_{\text{ridge}} \approx 2\text{-}3^\circ$



## Robust background estimate

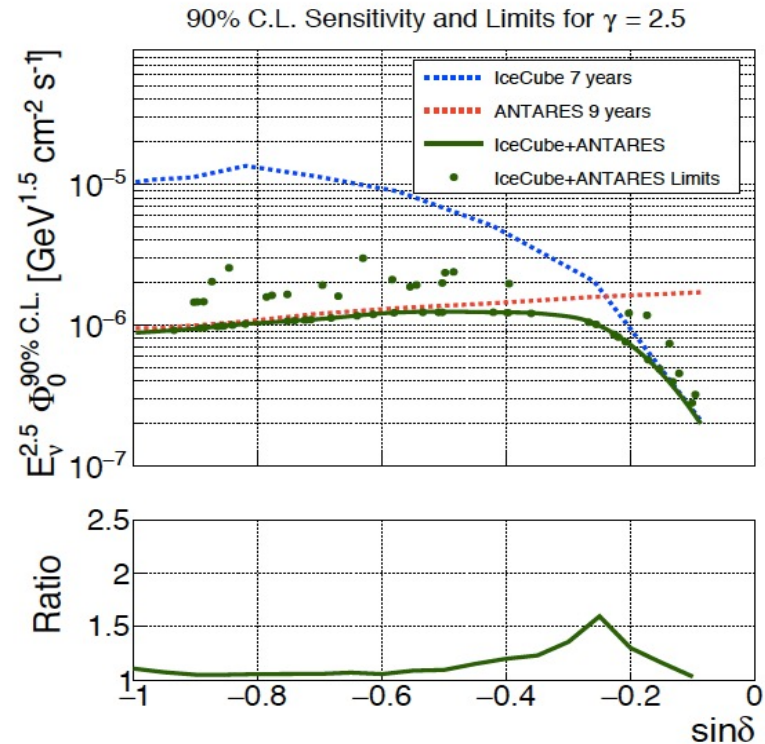
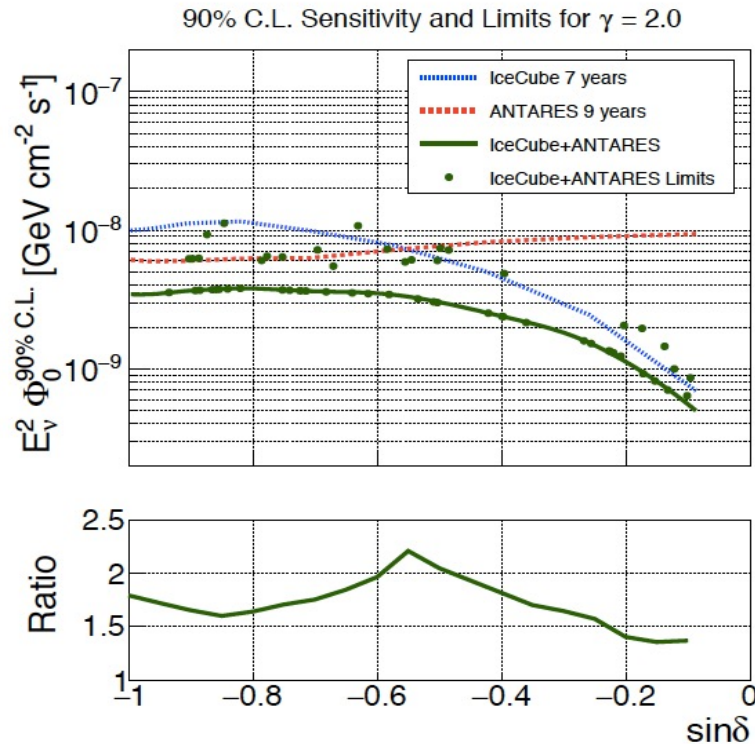


Using the full ANTARES dataset, we expect to see evidence for a neutrino signal from the Ridge if the spectrum of cosmic rays has a harder slope, as suggested by gamma-ray data, and if it does not have a cut-off below 1 PeV.



# Combined ANTARES-IceCube PS search

ANTARES 2007-2015 and the IC40, IC59, IC79, IC86 samples for the Southern Hemisphere



Significant improvement of limits especially for hard energy spectra  
Best limits on neutrino point source emission in Southern Hemisphere

ANTARES data set is public : see <https://antares.in2p3.fr>

# Latest PS search – All flavours !

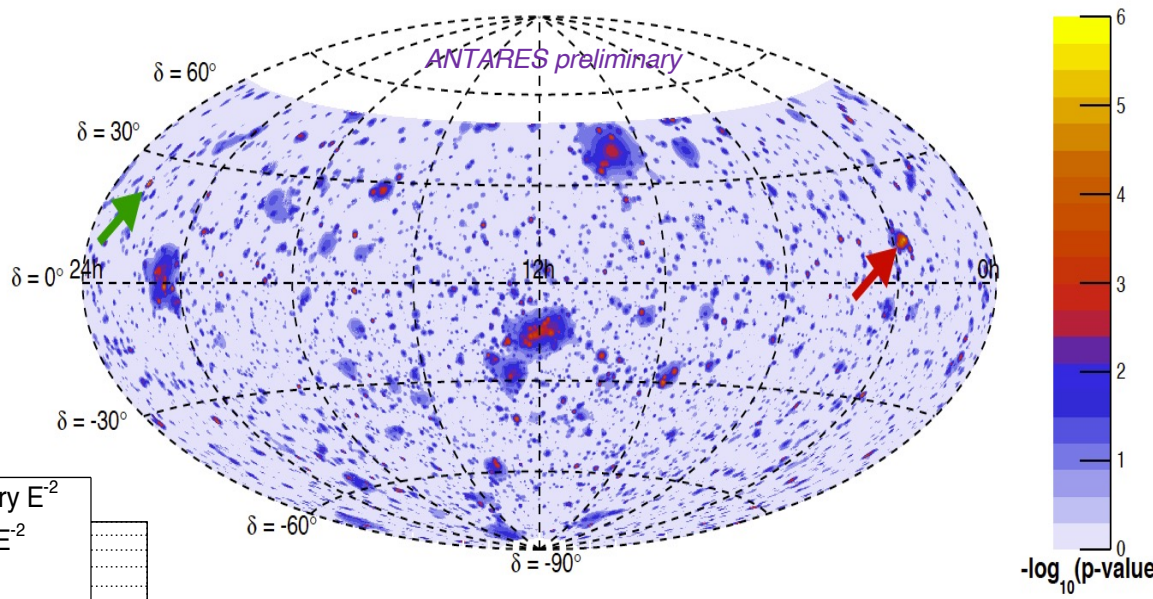
## Data set:

Period: from Jan 2007 to Feb 2020

Livetime: 3845 days

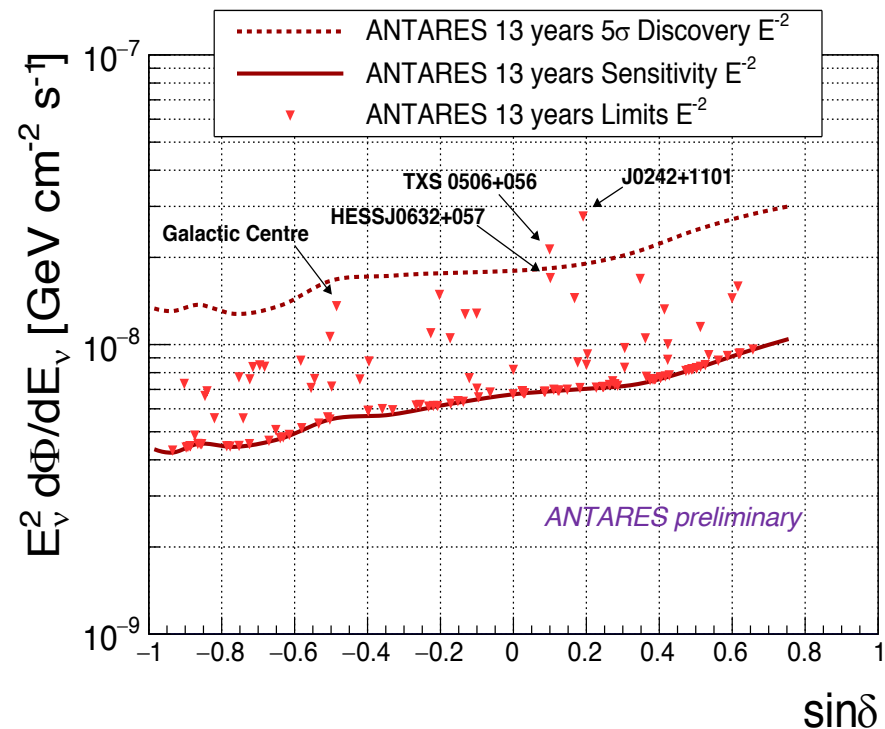
Events: 10162 tracks and 225 showers

## Full-sky search



## Candidate-list search:

121 investigated sources



Full-sky hottest spot  
 pre-trial p-value: of  $6.8 \times 10^{-6}$  ( $4.3\sigma$ )  
 post-trial p-value: of 48%

Most significant source:  
**J0242+1101**  
 pre-trial significance:  $3.8\sigma$   
 post-trial significance:  $2.4\sigma$



# Catalog-based searches

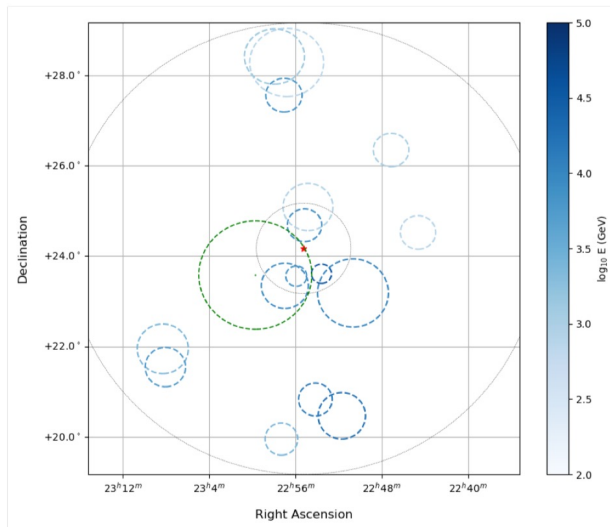
📖 A. Albert et al. 2021 ApJ 911 48

## Likelihood based stacking approach

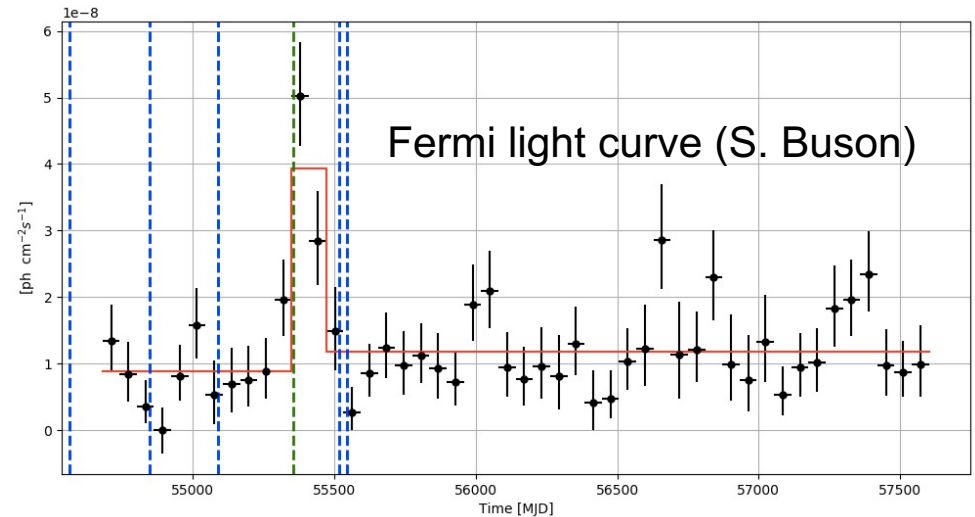
CATALOG	PRE-TRIAL	POST-TRIAL	DOMINANT SOURCE
Fermi 3LAC All Blazars	0.19	0.83	
Fermi 3LAC FSRQ	0.57	0.97	
Fermi 3LAC BL Lacs	<b>0.088</b>	<b>0.64</b>	<b>MG3J225517+2409</b>
<b>Radio-galaxies</b>	<b><math>4.8 \cdot 10^{-3}</math></b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>3C403</b>
Star Forming Galaxies	0.37	0.93	
Obscured AGN	0.73	0.98	
IC HE tracks	0.05	0.49	

1.6  $\sigma$

Blazar MG3 J225517+2409  
ANTARES & IceCube tracks



Mild excess seen for radio galaxies

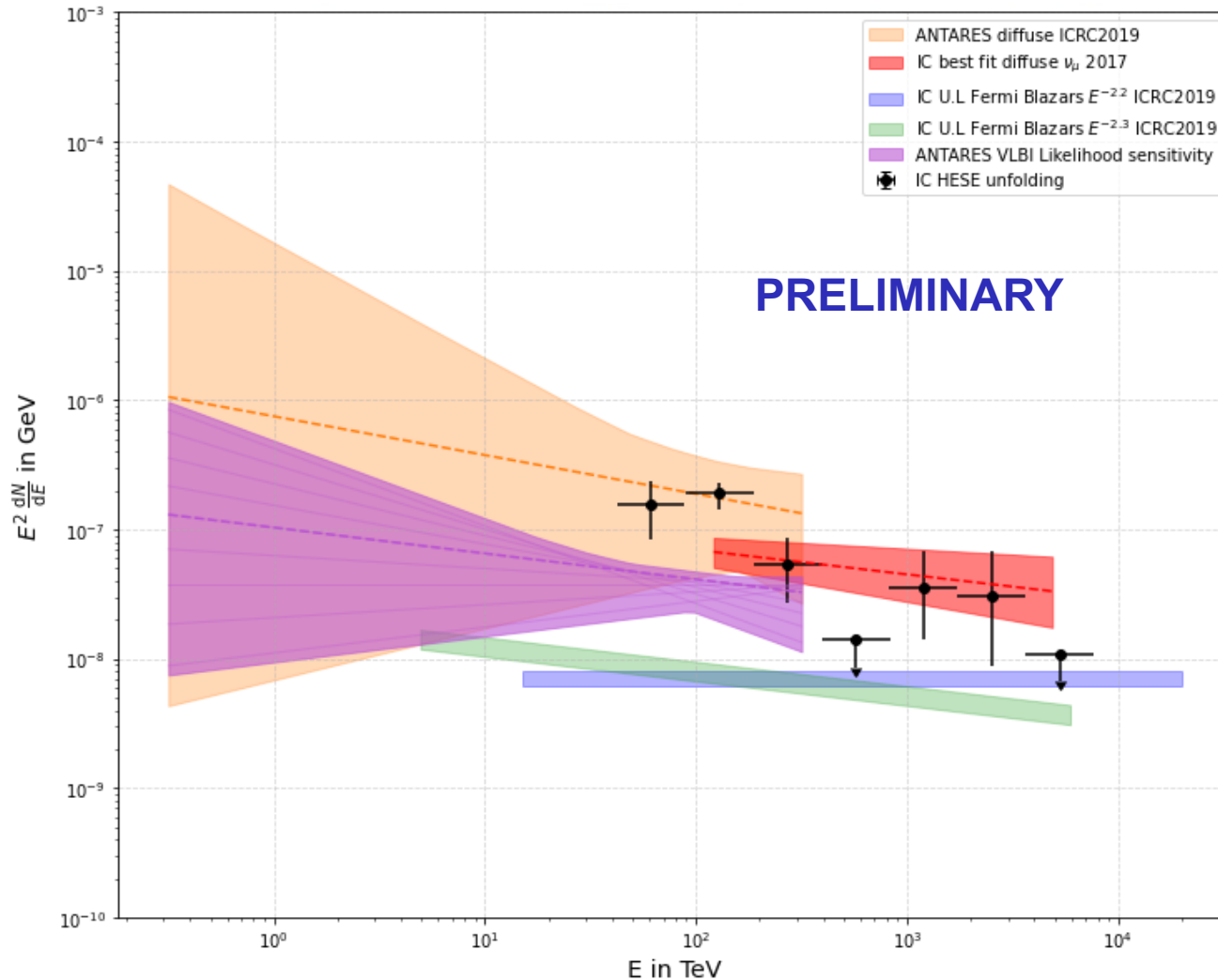


Space-time association: ANTARES  $\rightarrow$  2.3  $\sigma$  & IceCube track  $\rightarrow$  2.6  $\sigma$

# Sensitivity to association to VLBI catalog

📖 A. V. Plavin *et al* 2021 *ApJ* **908** 157

Ongoing search for correlation between neutrino candidates and radio blazars seen in VLBI data (3411 objects)





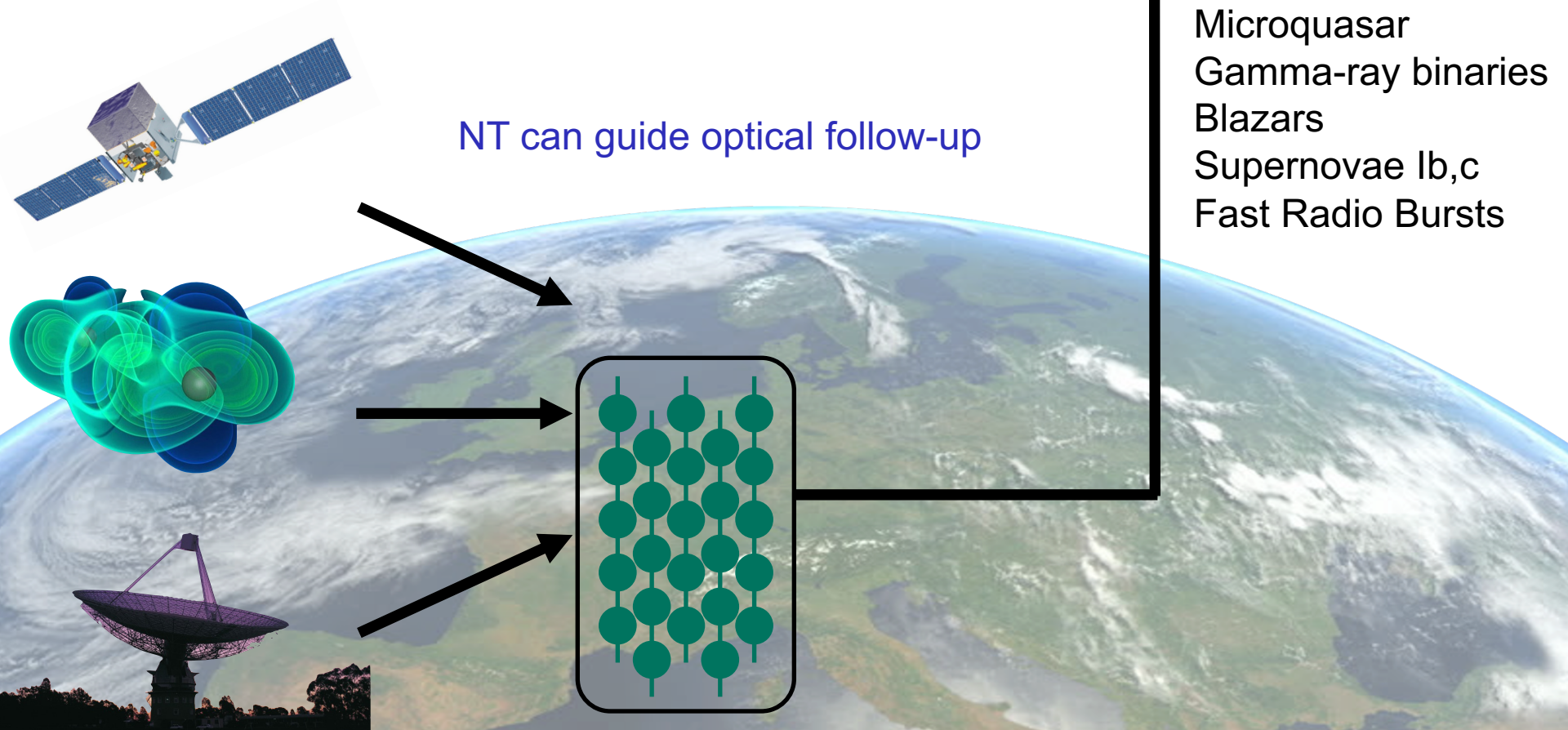
# The multi-messenger program

1<sup>ST</sup> APPROACH:

Time dependent searches

- GRB
- Microquasar
- Gamma-ray binaries
- Blazars
- Supernovae Ib,c
- Fast Radio Bursts

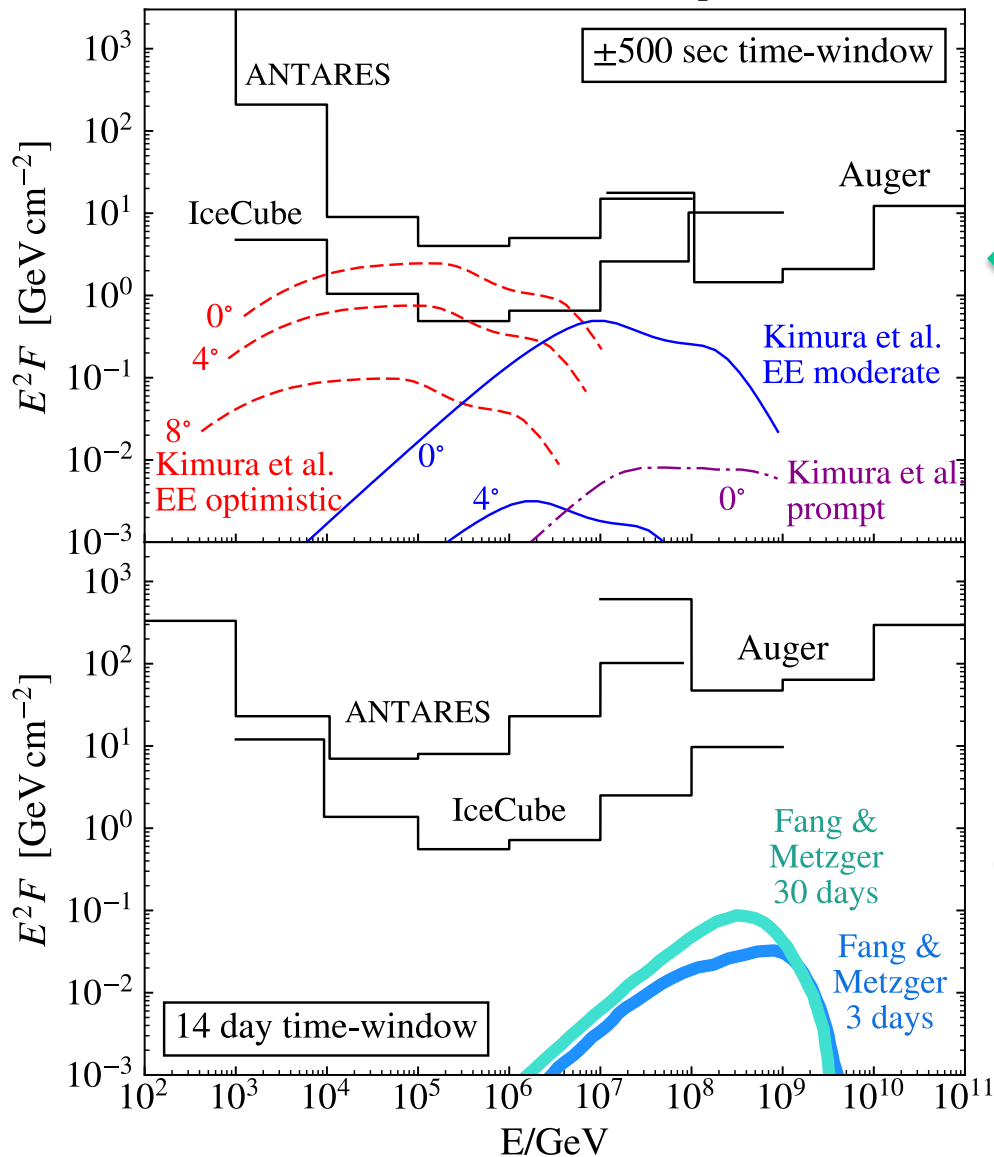
NT can guide optical follow-up



# Neutrino Follow-up of GW170817

GW170817 Neutrino limits (fluence per flavor:  $\nu_x + \bar{\nu}_x$ )

ANTARES, IceCube, Pierre Auger,  
LIGO Scientific and Virgo Collaborations  
ApJL 850 L35 (2017)



Non-detection consistent with expectation from short GRB observed at large off-axis angle

Model prediction:  
Kimura et al. ApJL 848, L4

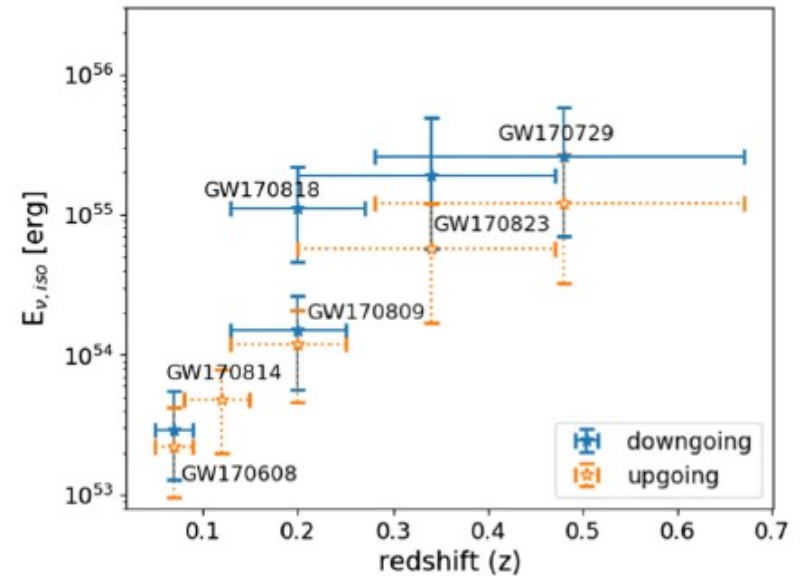
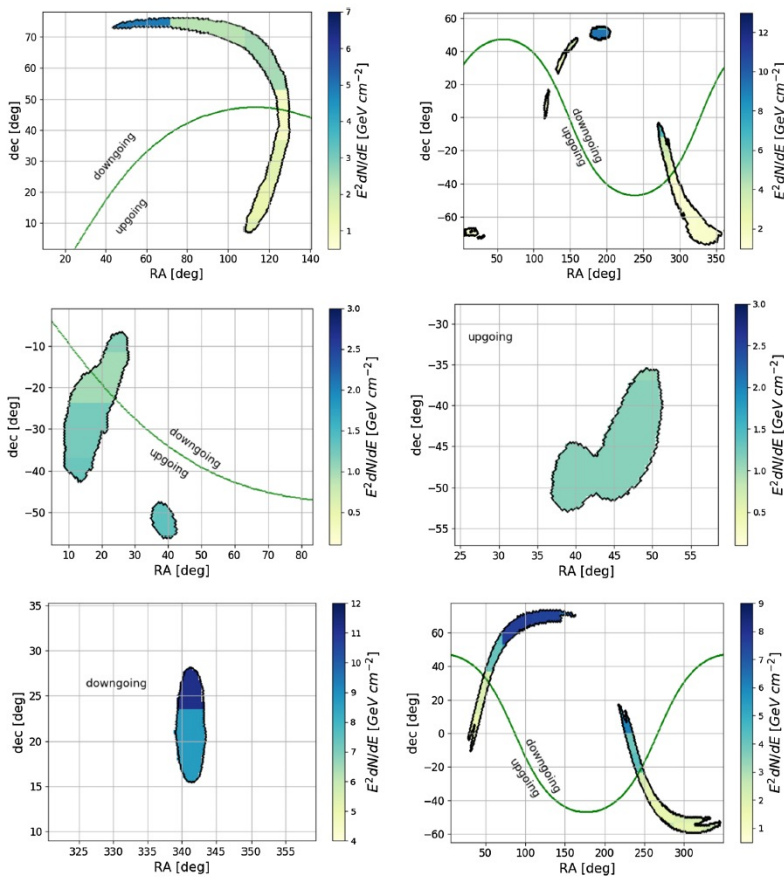
No detection during extended time period of 14 days after the GRB

Model prediction:  
Fang, K., & Metzger, B. D.  
2017, arXiv:1707.04263



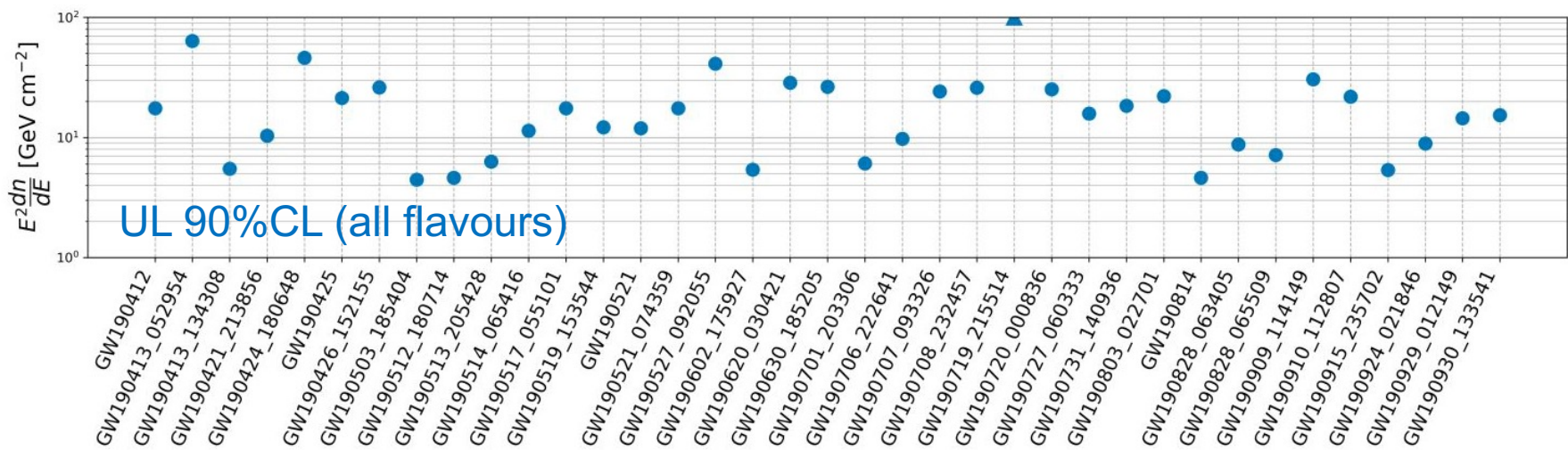
# Follow-up of Gravitational Waves (O2)

- Online alerts followed. Results from counterpart searches after 24hr through GCN
- Refined offline searches (fully calibrated sample): **No events found** → limits set.
- Latest O2 BBH: Constraints on fluence and  $E_{\nu,iso}$  for BBH

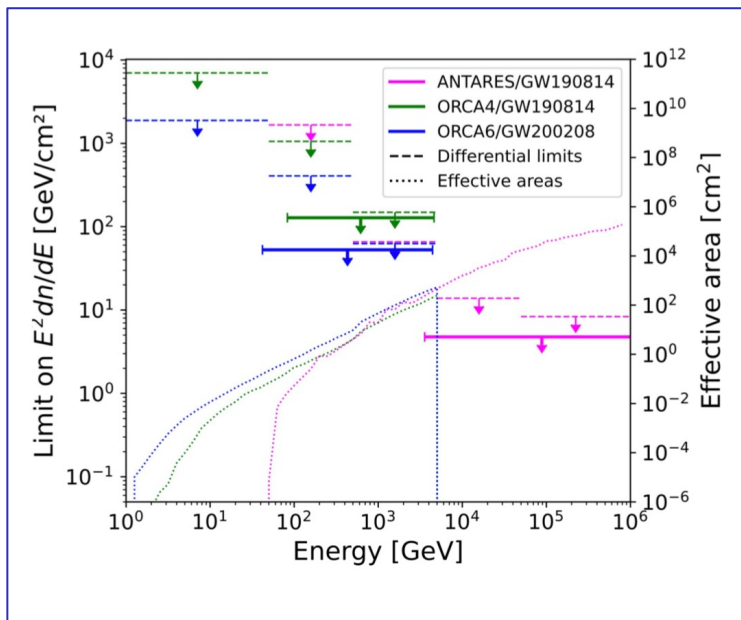
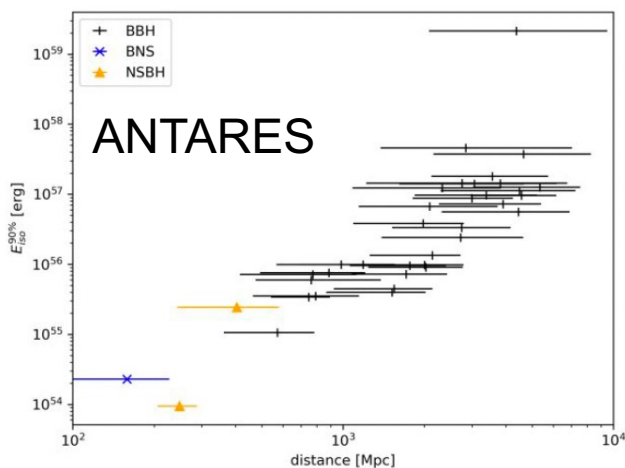


- Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 487 (2020)
- ApJ 870 (2019) 2
- ApJL 848 L12 (2017)
- ApJL 850 L35 (2017)
- Phys. Rev. D 96 (2017) 022005
- Phys. Rev. D 93 (2016) 122010
- JCAP06(2013)008

# Follow-up of Gravitational Waves (O3)



UL on total E in n 90%CL (all flavours)

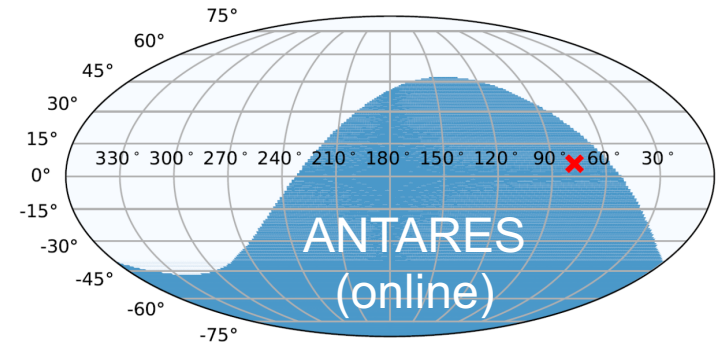
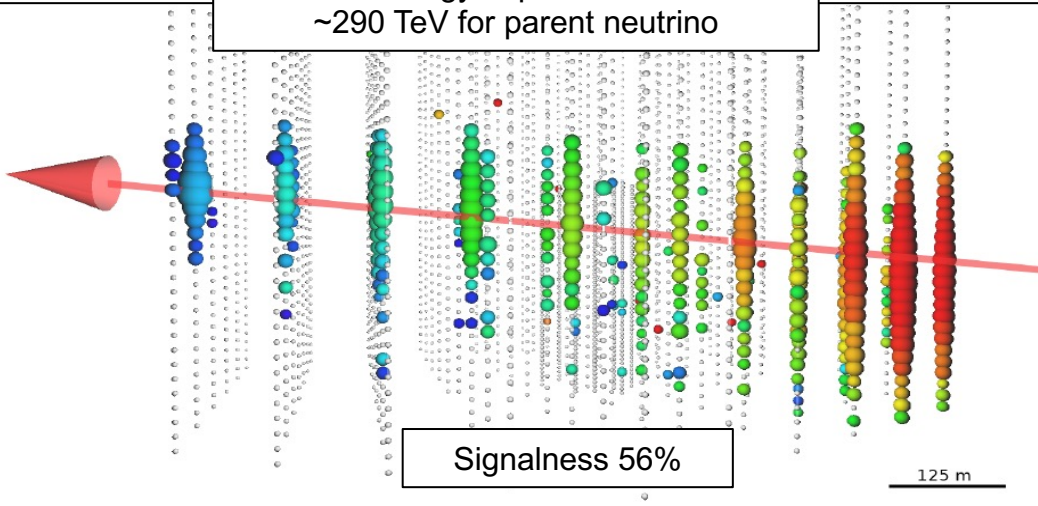


And ORCA for some cases !



# Follow-up of ICECUBE-170922

~22 TeV energy deposited in IceCube  
~290 TeV for parent neutrino



- “Multimessenger observations of a flaring blazar coincident with high-energy neutrino IC170922A”
  - $\sim 3 \sigma$  neutrino-gamma coincidence
- “Neutrino emission from the direction of the blazar TXS 0506+056 prior to the IC170922A alert”
  - First 7 years (excluding 170922A):  $2.1 \sigma$
  - Neutrino flare in late 2014 – early 2015:  $3.5 \sigma$



# Search for neutrinos from TXS 0506+056

## ANTARES Time integrated search

### ○ Same method as PS study 2007-2017

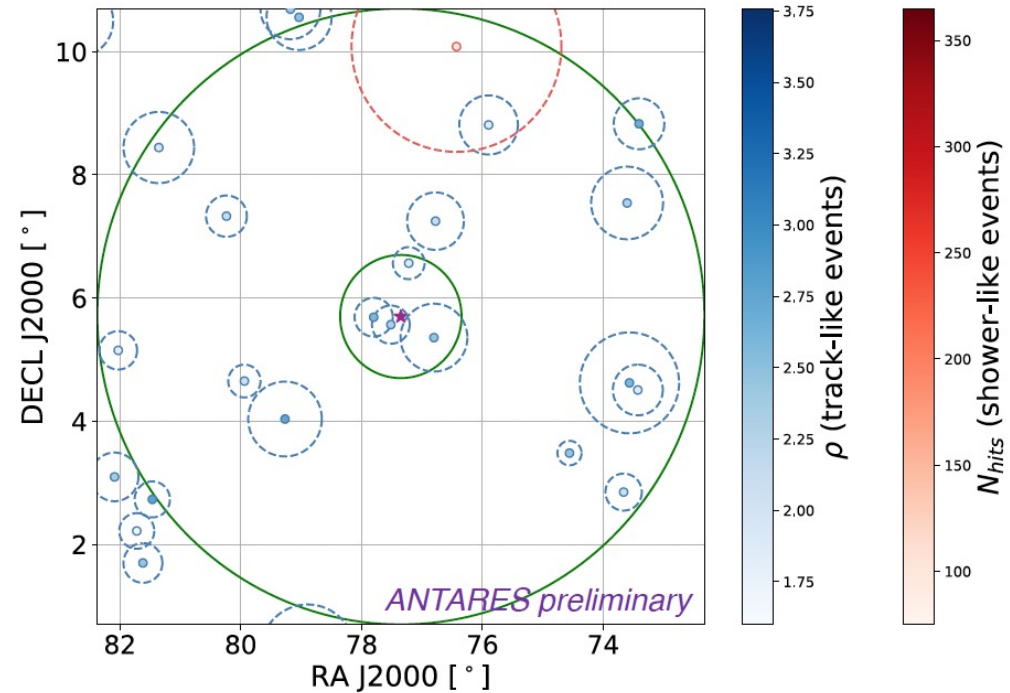
- Expected background (3136 days) :
  - 0.23/deg<sup>2</sup> for track-like
  - 0.005/deg<sup>2</sup> for shower-like events
- # of events fitted the likelihood signal function for the source:  $\mu_{\text{sig}} = 1.03$
- **Pre-trial p-value of 3.4%** (post-trial 87%)

### ○ Updated 2007-2020, recalibrated

- 4 events within 1°  $\mu_{\text{sig}} = 2.9$
- Pre-trial: 2.9 $\sigma$  (1-sided)

### ○ Soon, yet another update

### ○ Time sequence under investigation





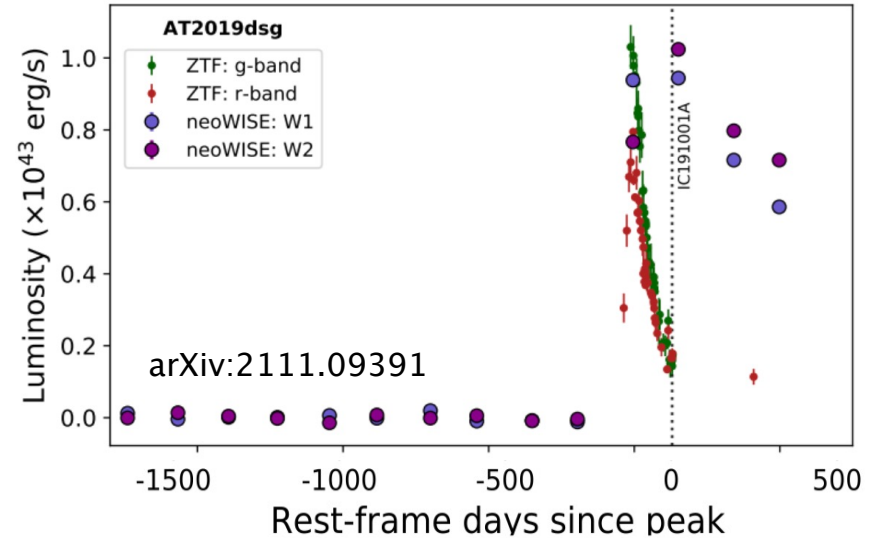
# Search for $\nu$ counterparts to TDE events

## IC191001A & AT2019dsg



Soon after IC191001A, the tidal disruption event (TDE) AT2019dsg, observed by the Zwicky Transient Facility, was indicated as the most likely counterpart of the IceCube track.

R. Stein, *et al.*, *Nature Astronomy* 5, 510 (2021).



The probability of finding any coincident radio-emitting tidal disruption event by chance is 0.5%, while the probability of finding one as bright in bolometric energy flux as AT2019dsg is 0.2%.

At least another association reported : IC200530A & AT2019fdr

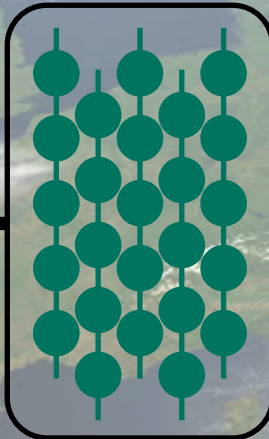
No significant counterpart in ANTARES

 2021 ApJ 920 50

# The multi-messenger program: TAToO

Telescope-Antares Target of Opportunity

## 2<sup>ND</sup> APPROACH:



- Time to send an alert: ~5 s
- First optical image <20 s
- Median angular resolution: ~0.3°
- Triggers: single HE, preferred direction, multiplets



# TATOO and the transients

MNRAS, 48 (2019) 1  
ApJ, 886:98 (2019)

Radio      Optical      X-ray      GeV  $\gamma$ -rays      TeV  $\gamma$ -rays



<b>MWA</b> (12/yr)	<b>TAROT</b> <b>ZADKO</b> <b>MASTER</b> (GWAC) (30/yr)	<b>Swift</b> (6/yr) <b>Integral</b>	<b>Fermi</b> (offline)	<b>HESS</b> (2/yr) <b>HAWC</b> (offline)
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Triggers:

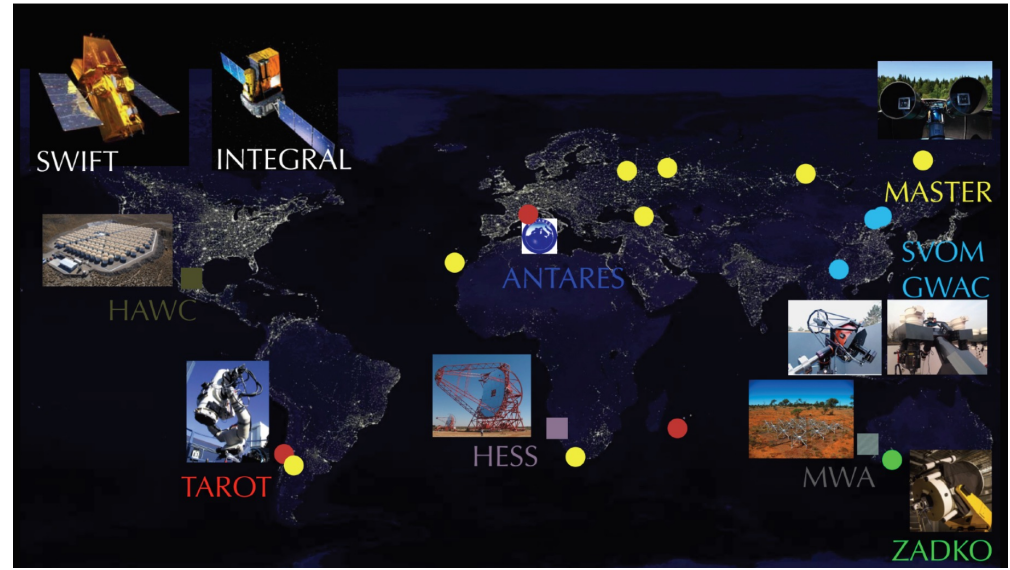
- Doublet of neutrinos ( $<3^\circ$ ,  $<15$  min):  $\sim 0.04$  events/yr
- Single neutrino with direction close to local galaxies:  
 $\sim 1$  TeV,  $\sim 10$  events/ yr
- Single HE neutrinos:  $\sim 5$  TeV, 20 events/ yr
- Single VHE neutrinos:  $\sim 30$  TeV,  $\sim 3-4$  events/ yr

Performances:

- Time to send an alert:  $\sim 5$  s
- Median angular resolution:  $\sim 0.4^\circ$

Sent neutrino alerts (2009-2021)	<b>322</b> to robotic telescopes	<b>+~25</b> to MWA <b>+2</b> to HESS
	<b>+26</b> to Swift	
	<b>+12</b> to INTEGRAL	

Follow-up efficiencies:  $\sim 70\%$  (X-ray / optical) +  $\sim 20\%$  (radio)



# ANT150901

In September 2015, ANTARES has issued a neutrino alert and during the follow-up, a potential transient counterpart was identified by Swift and MASTER.

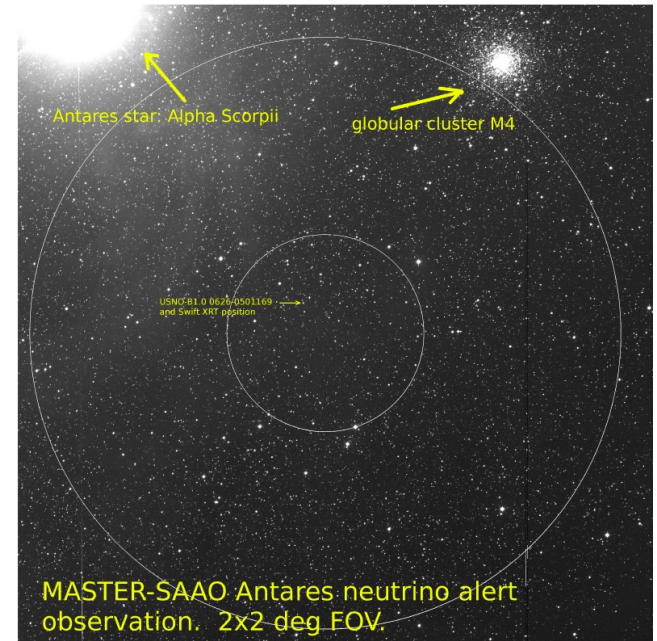
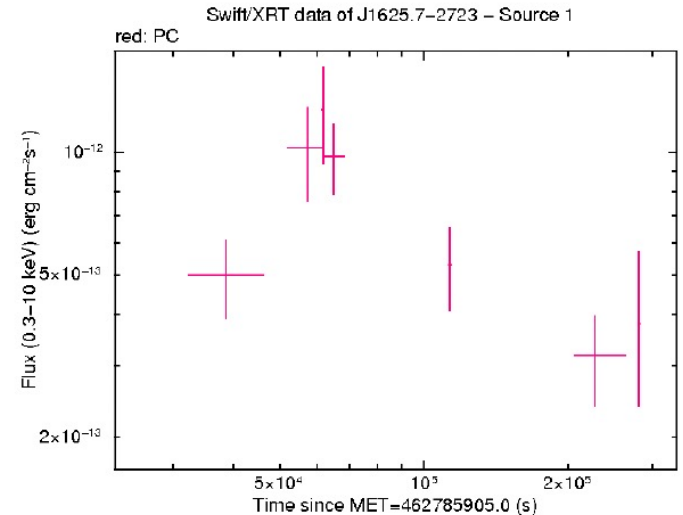
- The associated neutrino had an energy of about 87 TeV with a  $1\sigma$  range of 24 - 316 TeV
- This source location at 0.11 deg from neutrino

A multi-wavelength follow-up campaign allowed to identify the class of this source resulting in a fortuitous association with the neutrino. ☹️

→ A young accreting G-K star, undergoing a flaring episode (X-ray emission). Probably associated to Rho Ophiuchi star forming region.

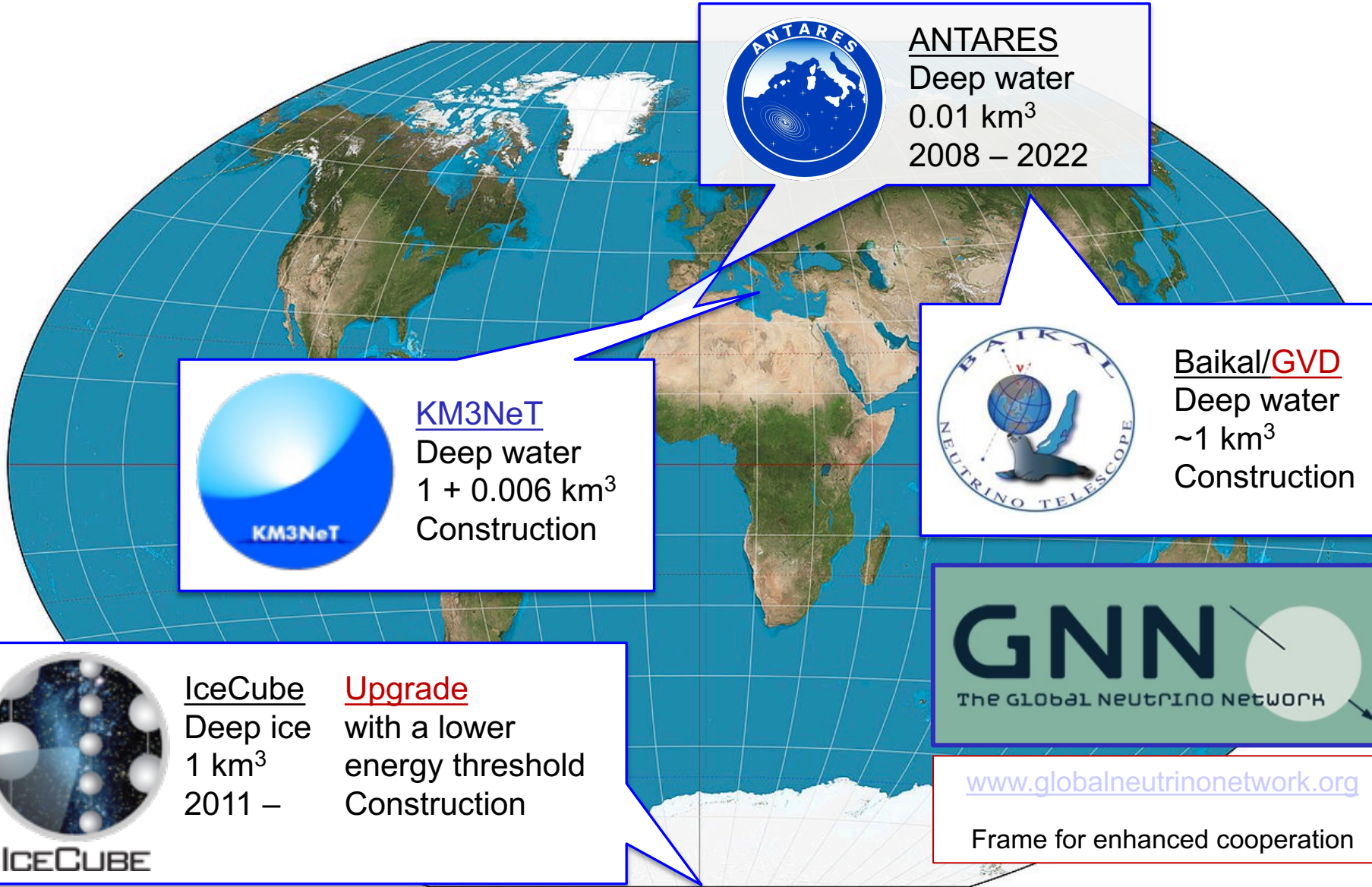
Multifrequency observations:  
16 ATEL + 6 GCN

📖 D. Dornic et al. "ANTARES neutrino detection and possible Swift X-ray counterpart". In: The Astronomer's Telegram 7987 (Sept. 2015), p. 1.





# The neutrino telescope world map 2020



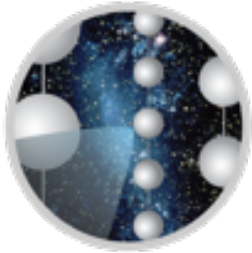
**ANTARES**  
 Deep water  
 0.01 km<sup>3</sup>  
 2008 – 2022



**KM3NeT**  
 Deep water  
 1 + 0.006 km<sup>3</sup>  
 Construction



**Baikal/GVD**  
 Deep water  
 ~1 km<sup>3</sup>  
 Construction



**IceCube**  
 Deep ice  
 1 km<sup>3</sup>  
 2011 –

**Upgrade**  
 with a lower  
 energy threshold  
 Construction

ICECUBE



[www.globalneutrino.org](http://www.globalneutrino.org)

Frame for enhanced cooperation

# KM3NeT, successor of ANTARES

Strings with 18 DOMs  
String distance: 90m/20 m  
DOM distances 36m/9m



Digital Optical Module (DOM)

- 31 PMTs in one sphere
- 3 x cathode area wrt ANTARES OM
- Single photon counting
- Directional information
- Inspiring design for IceCube-Gen 2

## KM3NeT ARCA/ORCA Astrophysics/Oscillation Research with Cosmics in the Abyss

**ARCA:** 3.5km depth, 100km from Capo Passero (Sicily)

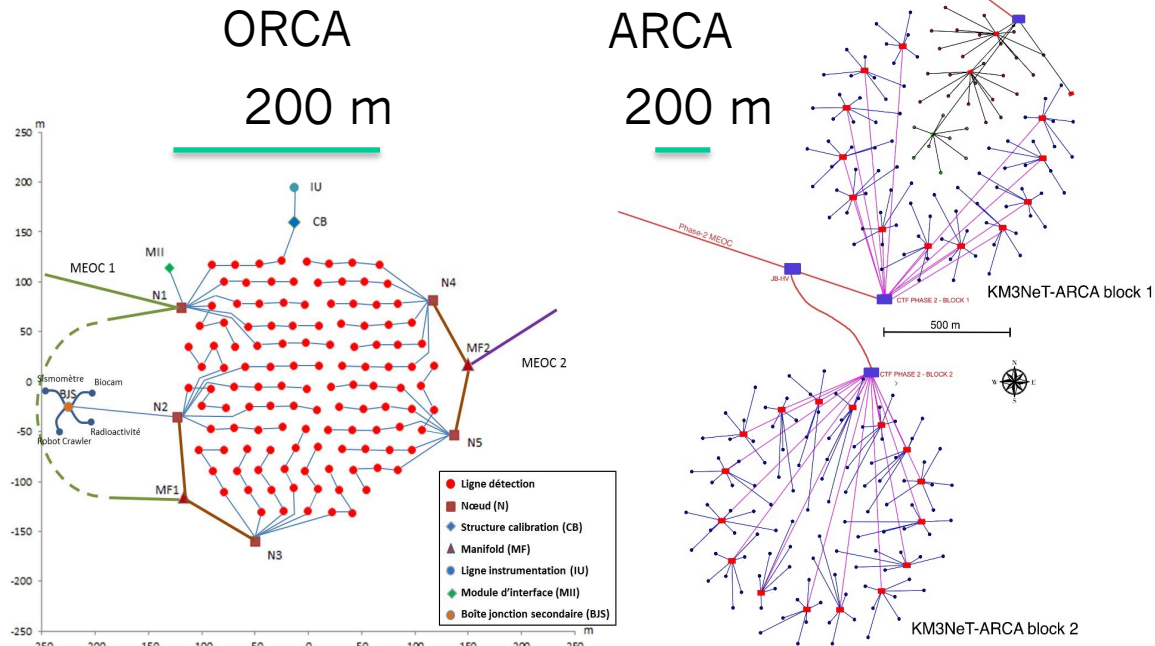
Focus: Cosmic Neutrino Sources

large, sparse grid -> high energy

**ORCA:** 2.5 km depth, 40km from Toulon (France)

Focus: Atmospheric neutrino oscillations

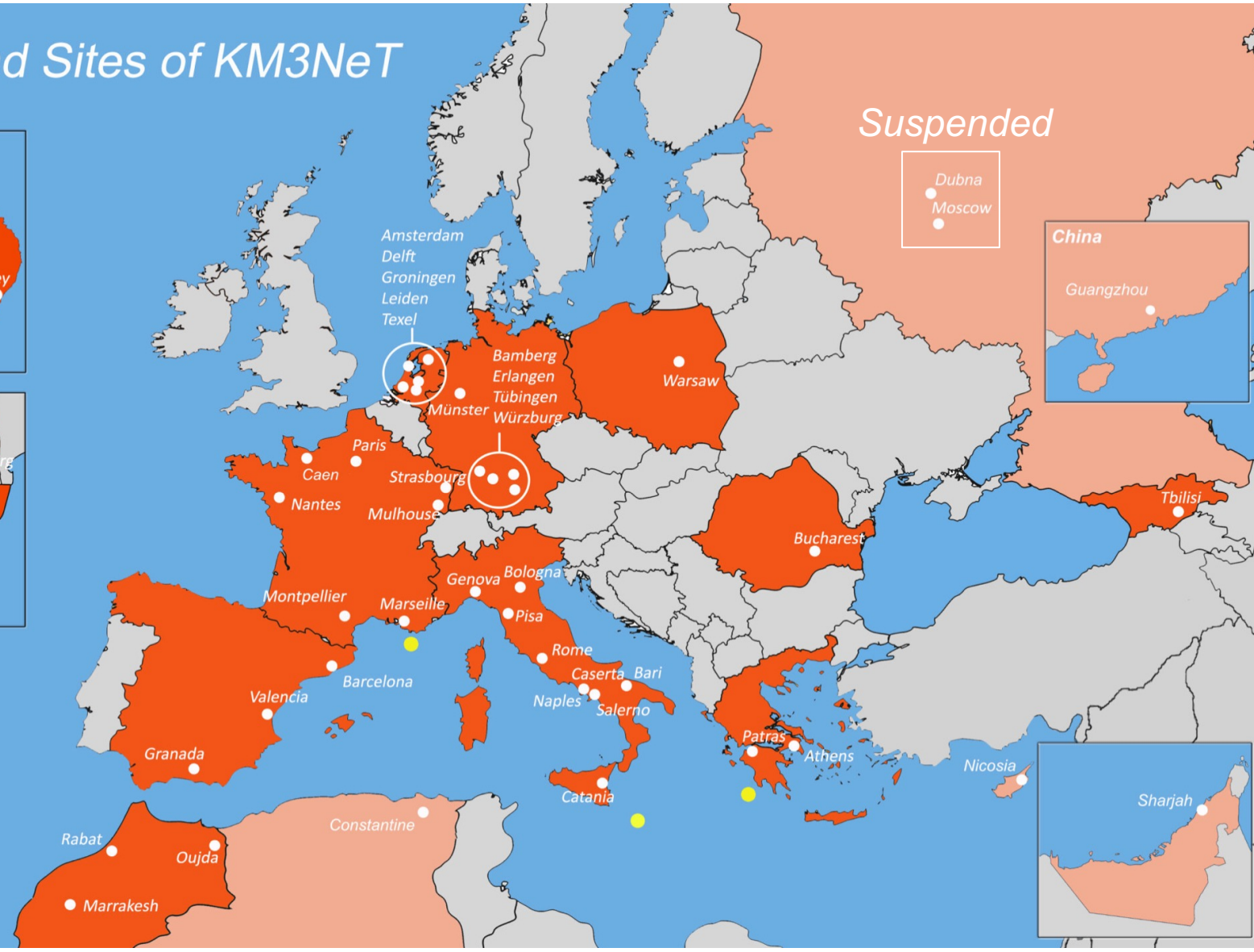
small, dense grid -> low energy



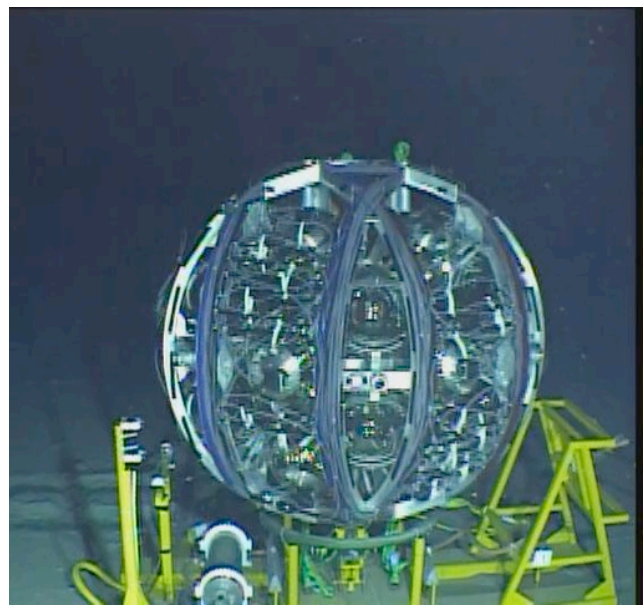
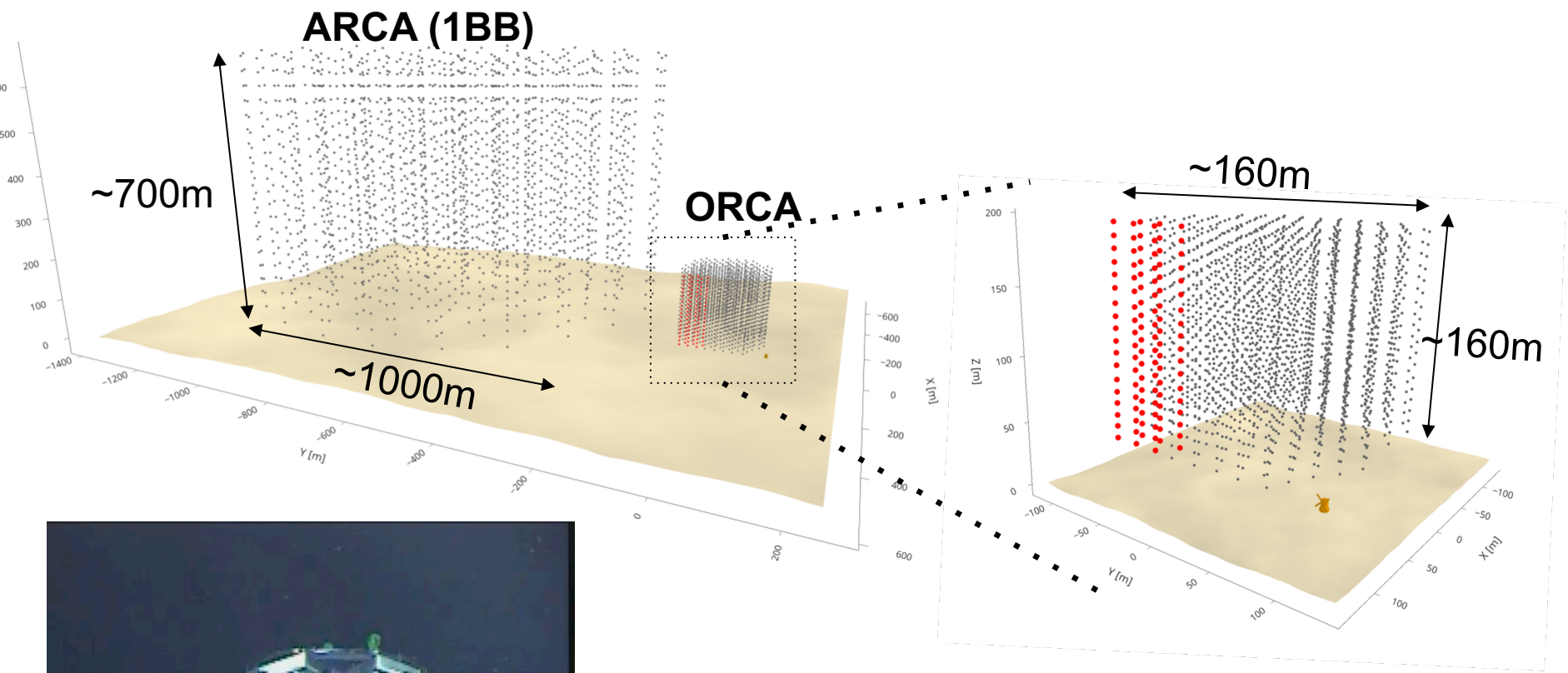


# KM3NeT, successor of ANTARES

Cities and Sites of KM3NeT



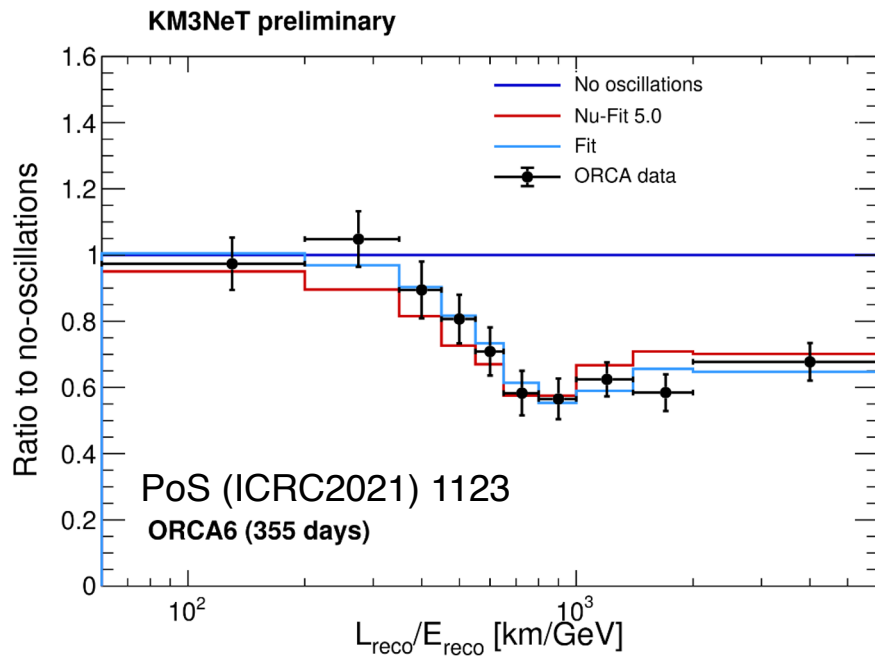
# KM3NeT ramping up



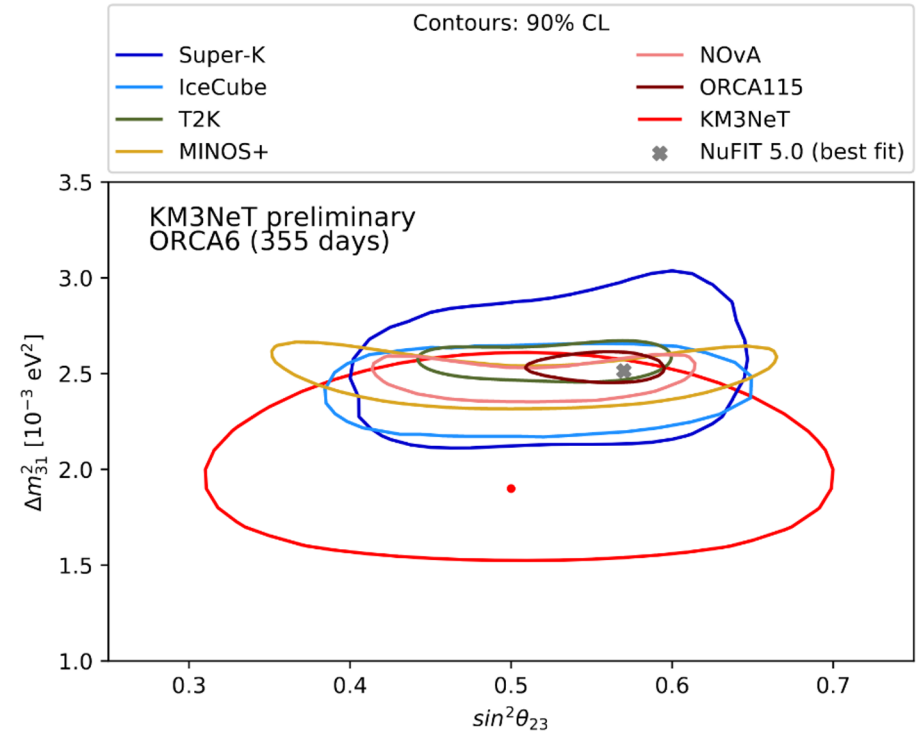
Compacting allows for several deployments at once  
Unfurling from sea bed



# Oscillation studies

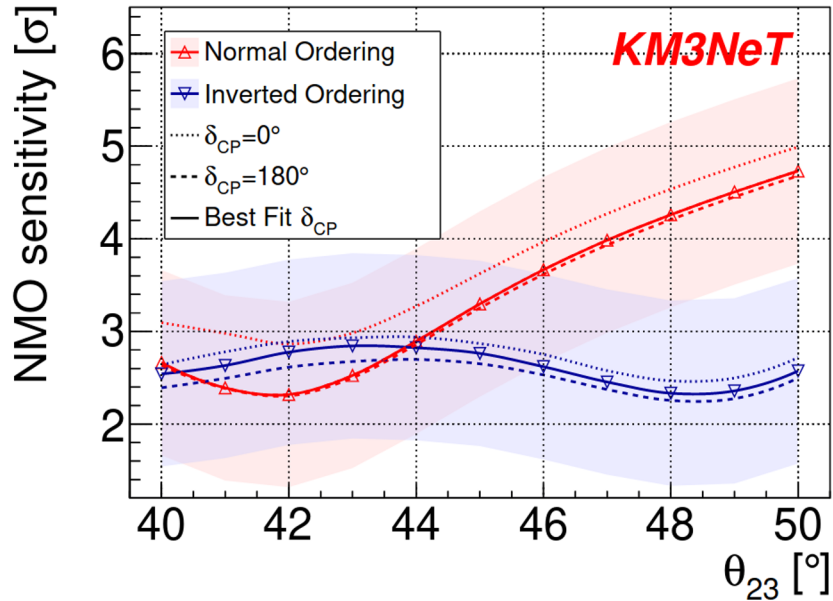


Strong oscillation signal  
with only 6 DU

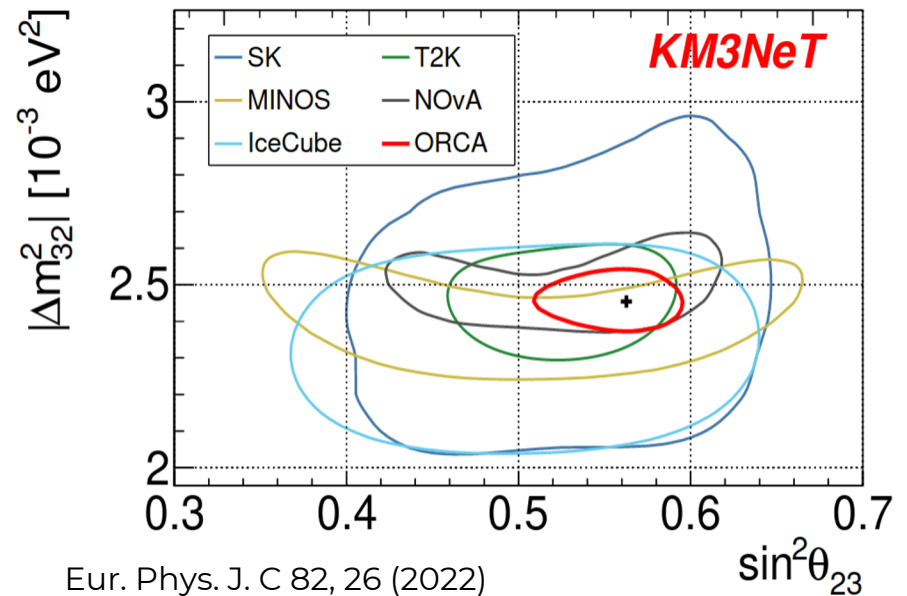


Data has a preference to oscillation  
of  $5.9\sigma$

# Prospects for the Mass Ordering



Expected results for 3 years exposure, full detector.

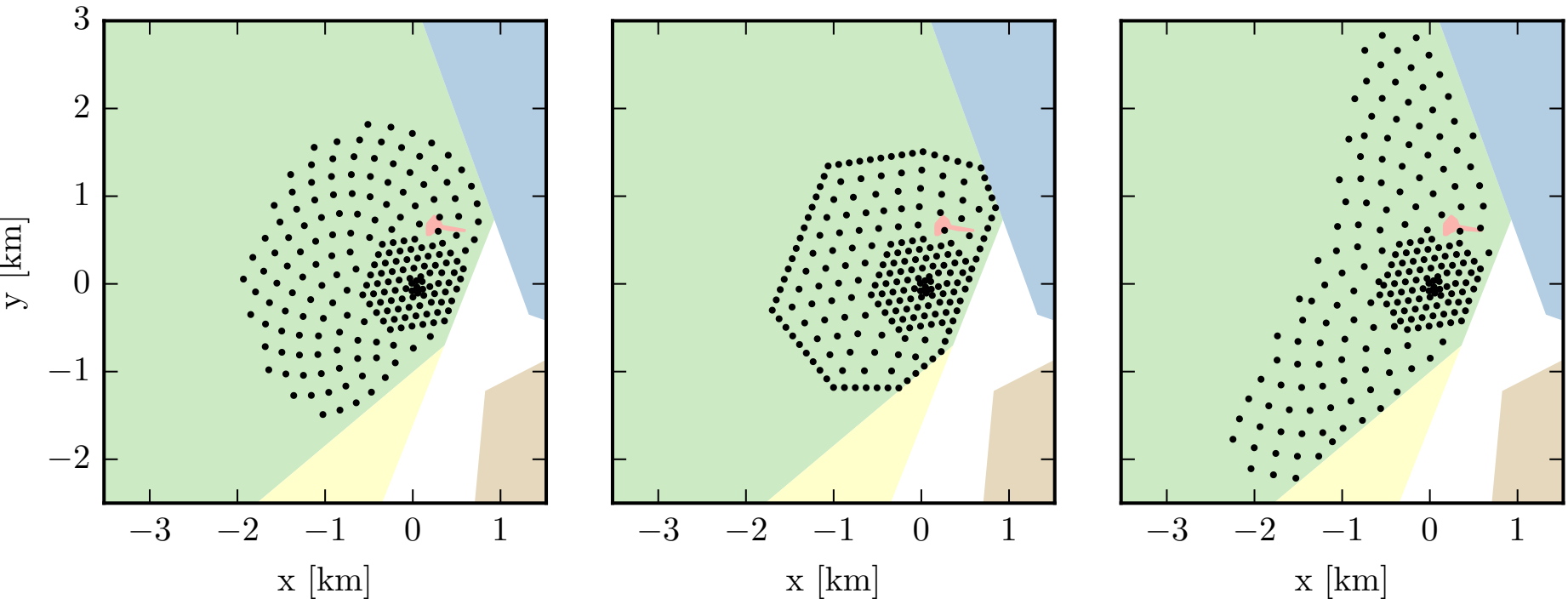


Eur. Phys. J. C 82, 26 (2022)

Competitive sensitivity to  $\Delta m^2_{32}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$



# IceCube-Gen2: the next generation



- High energy extension: Instrument  $\sim 10 \text{ km}^3$  (sparsely with  $\sim 120$  new strings) to increase sensitivity to high energy (0.1-10 PeV) muon and cascade events
- Surface array for increased southern sky sensitivity and cosmic-ray physics
- Identify neutrino sources and study them with multiple messengers
- Dense inner core for neutrino physics including mass hierarchy
- Radio antenna array for  $10^{18} \text{ eV}$  neutrinos

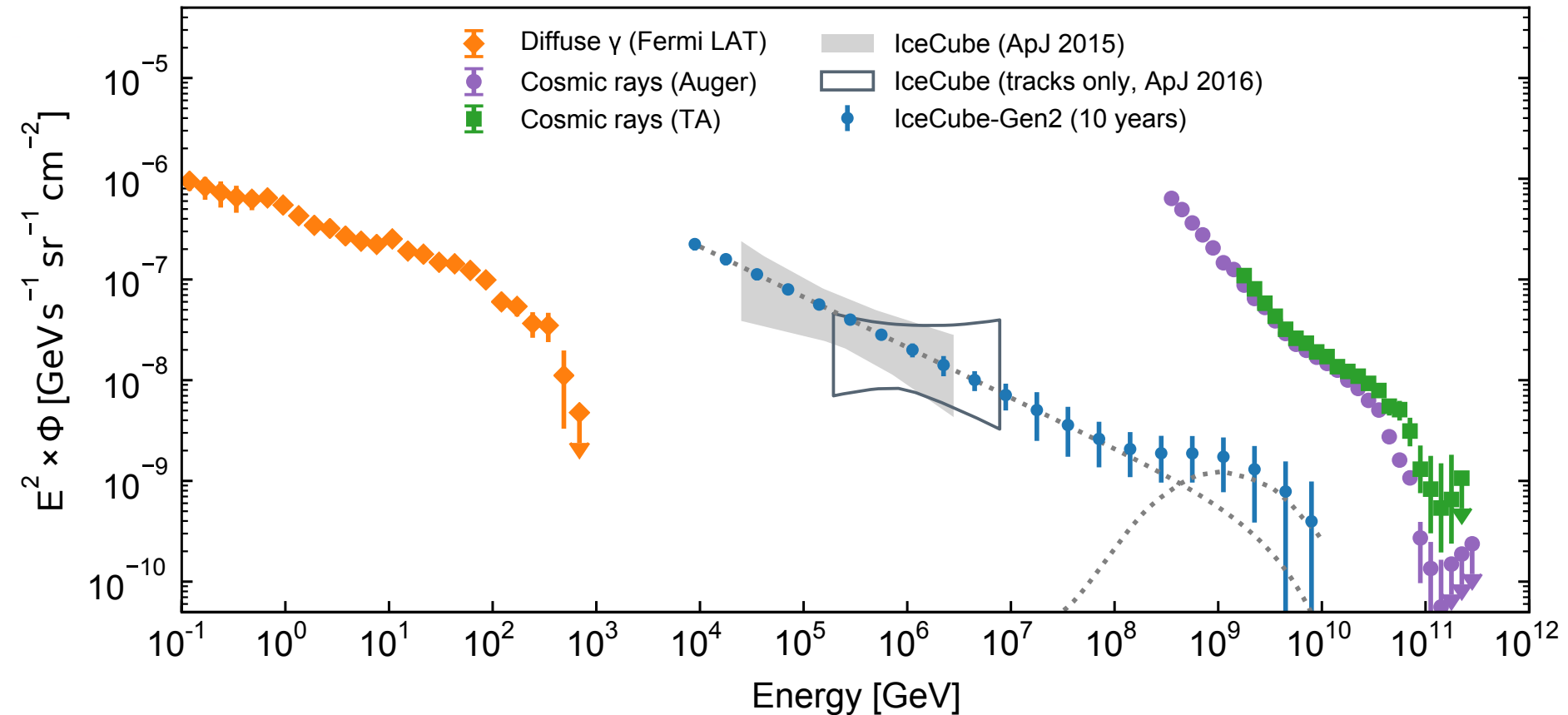
Positively supported in decal survey

IceCube, 1412.5106 (LOI)

IceCube, 1510.05228 (ICRC)

IceCube, 2008.04323 (white paper)

# IceCube-Gen2: the next generation



“IceCube-Gen2: The Window to the Extreme Universe”  
 J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 48 060501 (2021)



# Summary

*Thanks for your attention !*

- **ANTARES** was the first and largest NT in the Mediterranean Sea.  
A multi disciplinary observatory (associated sciences).
- Competitive physics results & intriguing hints
- Constraints on neutrinos as seen by IceCube.
- Extensive multi-messenger program.
- Joint studies with several partners.
- About 100 papers published & 100 PhD students
- **QUITE AN ADVENTURE !** But only the beginning ...

Join us in KM3NeT for the next endeavor !