

**GEORGEFEST.  
BUBBLE CHAMBERS AT RAL  
AND SLAC**

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**NIRNS-RAL (1) Heavy Liquids (Propane)**

**(Helium)**

**(2)Hydrogen/Deuterium**

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**(3)SLAC Rapid Cycling HBC exposed to a back-scattered laser beam (20 GeV) for charmed meson studies (lifetimes and production cross-sections).**

# **(1) GEK AND HEAVY LIQUID BC**

**(Glaser. Pentane bc 1952. Cyril Dodd UCL Pentane bc 1956.)**

**GEK. PhD on 'Physical Properties of Bubble Chambers' 1956-9.**

**1959-62 UCL RA. Design magnet for RAL propane chamber.  
(Chamber complete 1965. Nimrod Physics 1964-1978.)**

**(1959 Berkeley LBL 72 inch HBC complete.)**

**1962-3 RA at LBL (TCB to BNL.)**

**1963-4 Lecturer at UCL**

**1964-1971 LBL**

**1965 "T Violation in Stopping K<sup>+</sup> Decays" PRL (Propane bc.)**

**(1972-2000 RAL and UCL. Group Leader BCG and Delphi group,  
then Head of Particle Physics Department RAL.)**

## **(2) GEK AND H/D BC AT RAL AND CERN**

**RAL Proposal 18 (From Proceedings of a Nimrod Commemoration Evening held in 1978 – Nimrod ran 1964-1978).**

**“A Partial Wave Analysis of two-body final states produced in K-p interactions was made. This experiment was the first in a series leading to the detailed and definitive pwa of the Imperial College and Rutherford Laboratory groups.”**

***CEN Saclay; College de France; Rutherford Laboratory.* First publication listed is for 1968. The last one was 1981.**

**The RL-IC collaboration used data from the Saclay 180 litre HBC at Nimrod (Kminus p, 1.263-1.843 GeV/c), The CERN 2M HBC (0.96-1.355 GeV/c and 0.92-1.040 GeV/c) combined with data from other collaborations to produce an overall Kbar N Partial Wave Analysis for singly strange baryons. It featured heavily in the full *Review of the Particle Data Group*.**

## **(2) CONTINUED.**

**RL-IC Collaboration in 1978:**

**RL: W.Cameron, B.Franek, G.P.Gopal, G.E.Kalmus,  
A.C.McPherson, R.T.Ross.**

**IC: T.C.Bacon, I.Butterworth, R.W.M.Hughes, P.Newham,  
R.A.Stern.**

**Previous members included P.J.Litchfield, B.Tallini  
(Saclay), E.F.Clayton, A.J. Van Horn, S.M.Deen, A.Brandstetter.**

**Results too extensive to review, but Eddie Clayton calculated  
Lambda (1115) lifetime:**

**0.2611 (0.002) ns. (cf PDG 0.2632 (0.002) ns.)**

# **GEK AND SLAC RCHBC**

**Back-scattered UV laser photons off 30 GeV electrons to give 20 GeV photons (yields higher fraction of charm events than a hadron beam). 1m Hydrogen Chamber at 10 Hz. 19 collaborating groups.**

**Charm decays detected by a fourth camera of resolution 55 micron over a depth of 12 mm. Triggered cameras.**

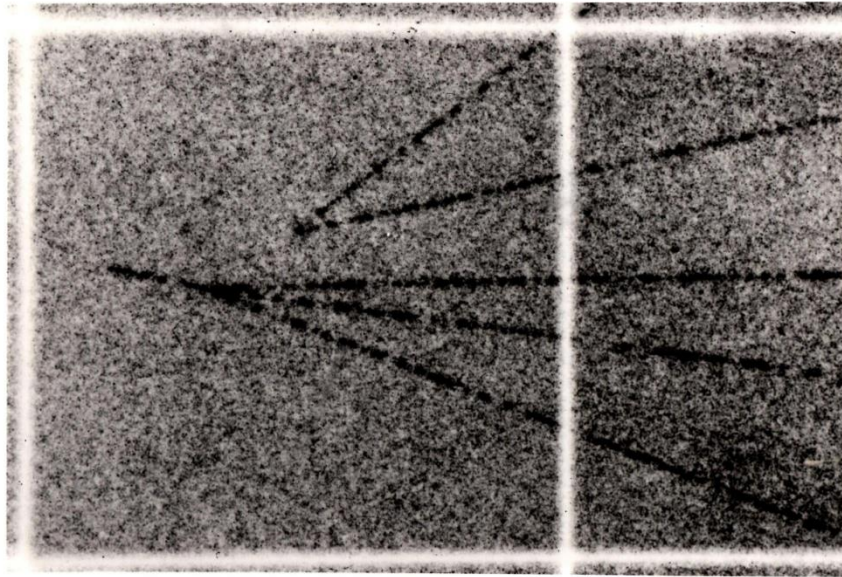
**47 charm events, 11 neutral and 9 charged charm decays used for lifetime measurements:**

**Charged D: 740 (+230-210) fs. (PDG 1040 (7) fs.)**

**Neutral D: 680 (+230-180) fs. (PDG 410.1 (1.5) fs.)**

**(One Neutral D with 2180 fs. 'Methusaleh'.)**

$\gamma+p \rightarrow$  charm decays. (0.86  
and 1.8 mm).



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# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FUNDAMENTAL ASPECTS OF WEAK INTERACTIONS

HELD AT  
BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY

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SESSION 1

Monday Morning, September 9, 1963

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K-MESON DECAY PROCESSES

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Chairman: V. L. Fitch

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Contributed Papers

Authors

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Anomalous Regeneration of  $K_1^0$  Mesons

(presented by R.K. Adair)

(will appear in Phys. Rev. 132, 2285 (1963)).

L.B. Leipuner, W. Chinowsky,  
R. Crittenden, R.K. Adair,  
B. Musgrave, and F.T. Shirley

$K_1-K_2$  Mass Difference

(presented by J.W. Cronin)

J.H. Christenson,  
J.W. Cronin, V.L. Fitch,  
and R. Turley

$K_1^0$  Regeneration in Hydrogen

(presented by F.R. Eisler)

F.R. Eisler, T.C. Bacon,  
and H.W.K. Hopkins



# BEGPR

**Bologna, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Pisa, RL collaboration.  
(W.Cameron, G.Kalmus, K.Peach, W.Venus et al.)**

**Mono-and Di-energetic Kzero beam and 2m HBC at CERN PS.**

**“PWA solutions have been found over 1480-2170 MeV....data from the pure isospin-1 channel  $K^0 \rightarrow p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^+$  have helped to separate the  $l=0$  and  $l=1$  effects in the region 1530-1700 MeV.”**

**(RL-IC NPB 119 1977).**

**“There is no excellent beauty that hath not some strangeness in the proportion”.**