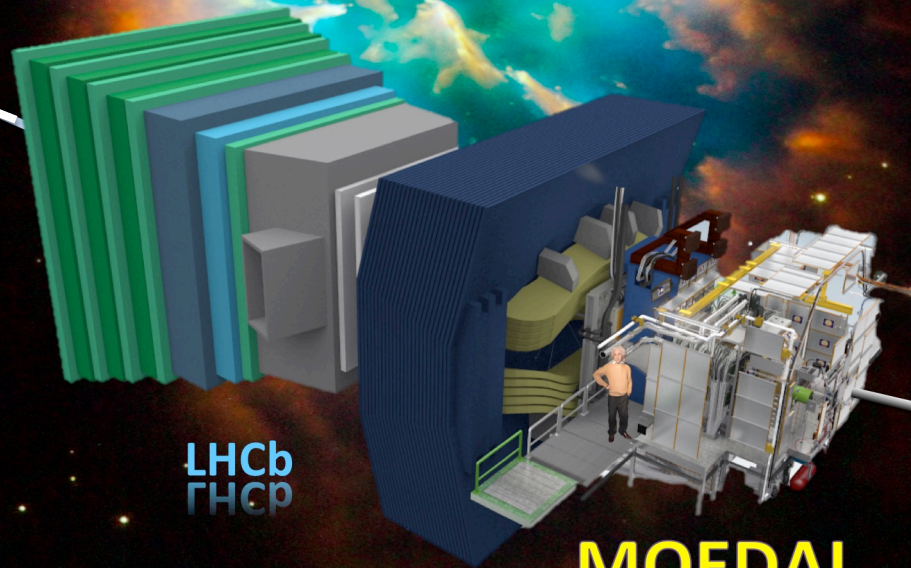


# MoEDAL – Progress Report

James L. Pinfold (For the MoEDAL Collaboration)

LHCC Open Session

September 2016



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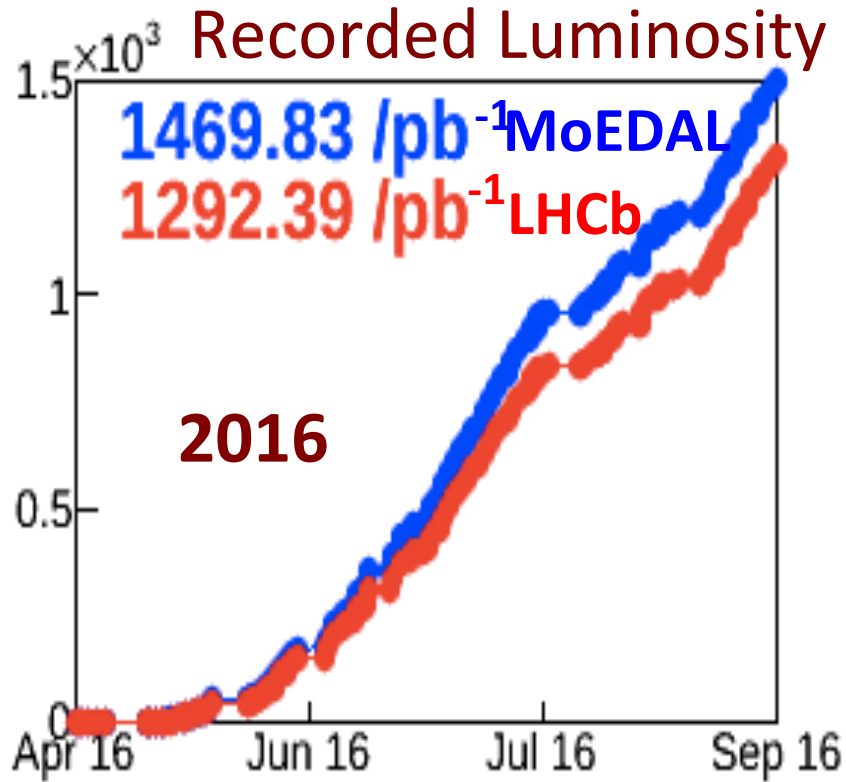


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# MoEDAL in Run 2

LHC experiments are back in business at a new record energy 13 TeV

3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015



*The luminosity delivered to MoEDAL in 2015 was 366 pb<sup>-1</sup>*

**Despite "Sparky" the Field Martin – LHC is now on track**



# The MoEDAL Collaboration



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**66 physicists from 14 countries & 24 institutes. on 4 continents:**  
*U. Alberta, U. Alabama, UBC, INFN Bologna, U. Bologna, CAAG-Algeria, U. Cincinnati, Concordia U., CSIC Valencia, Gangneung-Wonju Nat. U., U. Geneva, U. Helsinki, IEAP/CTU Prague, IFIC Valencia, Imperial College London, ISS Bucharest, King's College London, Konkuk U., U. Montréal, MISiS Moscow, Muenster U., National Inst. Tec. (India), Northeastern U., Simon Langton School UK, Tuft's.*

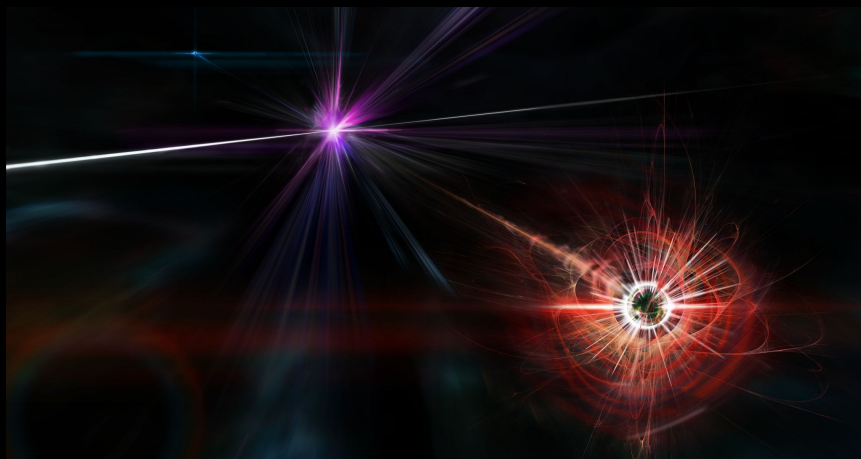




# MoEDAL Collab. Meetings Since Last Report

## MoEDAL Collaboration Meeting

CERN: 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> June 2015



For all information regarding the meeting please check the link below

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/389924/>

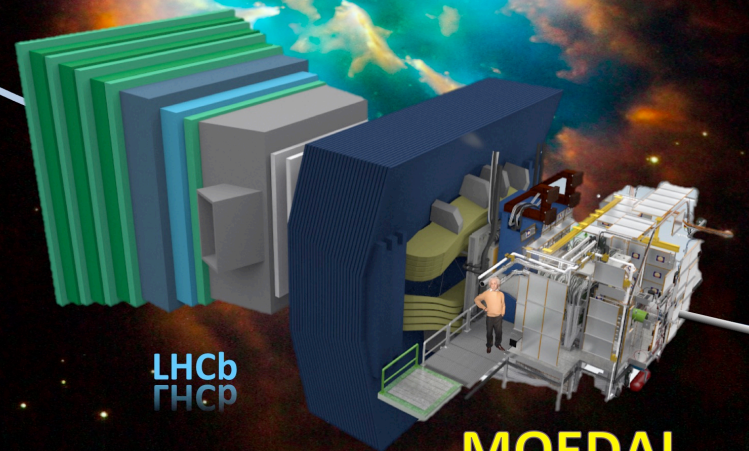
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## MoEDAL –LHC: 5<sup>th</sup> Collaboration Meeting

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28-29<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Valencia, Parque Científico

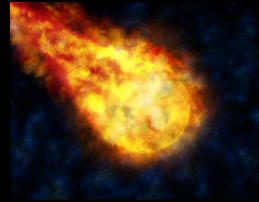


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# Highly Ionizing Particles – Avatars of New Physics

- **MoEDAL** – Highly Ionizing Particles directly detected as messengers of new physics – no SM backgrounds



- **Electric charge** - ionization increases with increasing charge & falling velocity  $\beta$  ( $\beta=v/c$ ) – use  $Z/\beta$  as an indicator of ionization

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta}{2} \right]$$

- **Magnetic charge** - ionization increases with magnetic charge  $g = ng_d$  and decreases with velocity  $\beta$  – a unique signature

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K \frac{Z}{A} g^2 \left[ \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I_m} + \frac{K|g|}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - B(g) \right]$$

The velocity dependence of the Lorentz force cancels  $1/\beta^2$  term

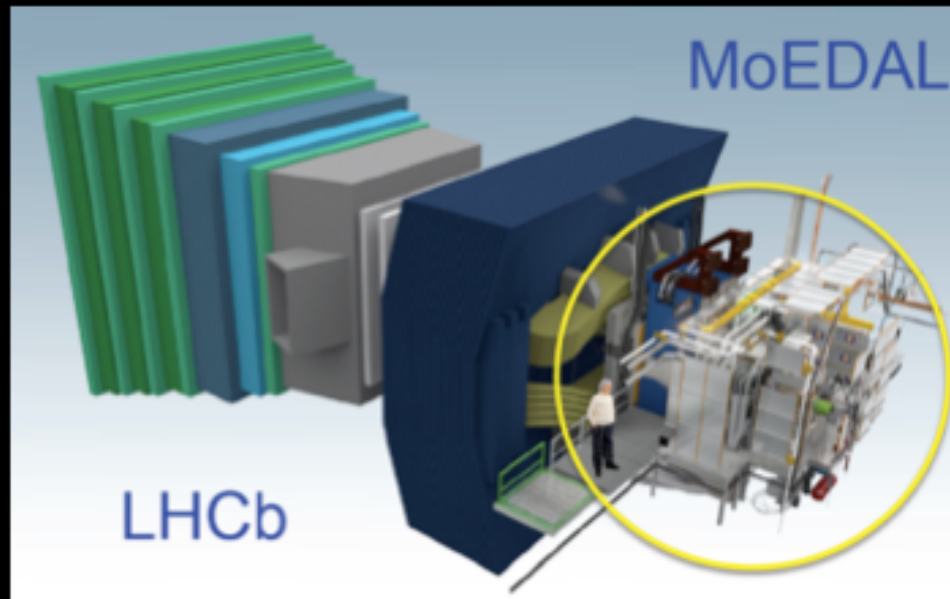
- As  $g = 68.5e$  the ionization of a rel. monopole is  $4700n^2!!$   
 $n=1,2,3,\dots$ . In fact  $n \geq 2$  in many modern monopole theories





# MoEDAL – a Unique Collider Detector

**Permanent  
Physical  
record  
of new  
physics**



**No  
Standard  
Model  
Physics  
Backgrnds**

**MoEDAL is largely passive made up of three detector system.**



**NUCLEAR TRACK DETECTOR**  
Plastic array (~200 sqm)  
– Like a Giant Camera

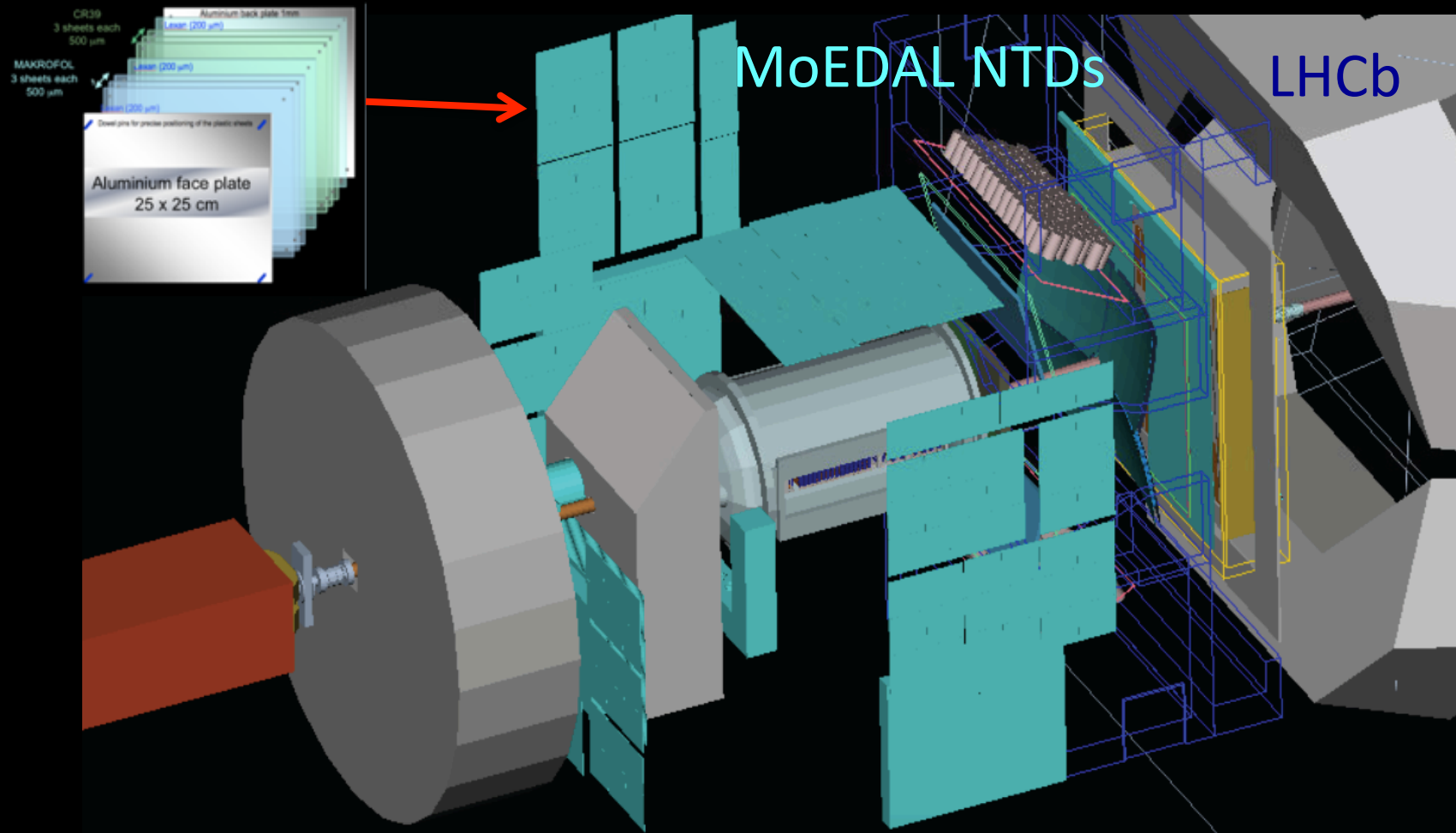
**TRAPPING DETECTOR ARRAY**  
A tonne of Al to trap Highly  
Ionizing Particles for analysis

**TIMEPIX Array** a digital  
Camera for real time  
radiation monitoring



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# Full NTD Deployment in 2015/16



- *Acceptance at  $\eta = 0$  but acceptance for at least one monopole from monopole pair production to hit NTDs  $\sim 70\%$* 
  - *Detection efficiency essentially 100%*
  - *Detection threshold  $Z/\beta \geq 5$  (CR39) and 50 (MAKROFOL)*

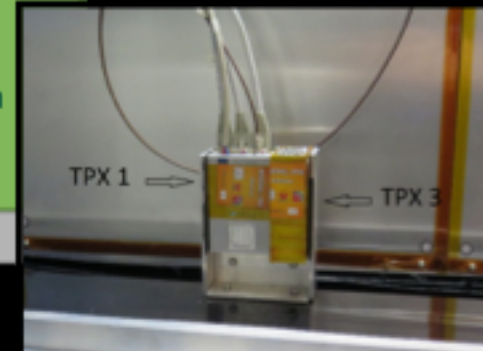
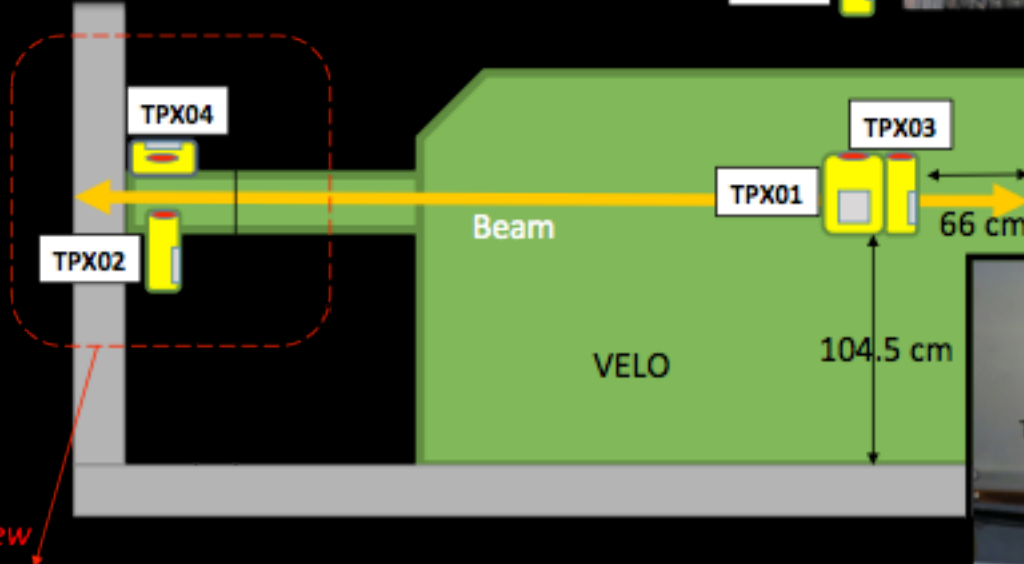


# Full MMT Deployment in 2015/16



- **Total mass of trapping detectors  $\sim 800$  kg of Al ( $\sim 2400$  bars)**
  - Read out by a SQUID magnetometer calibrated with special solenoids
  - First time a purpose built trapping detector has ever been deployed
  - After scanning for monopoles Al will be monitored underground for very slow decays,

# TimePix Deployment in 2015/16



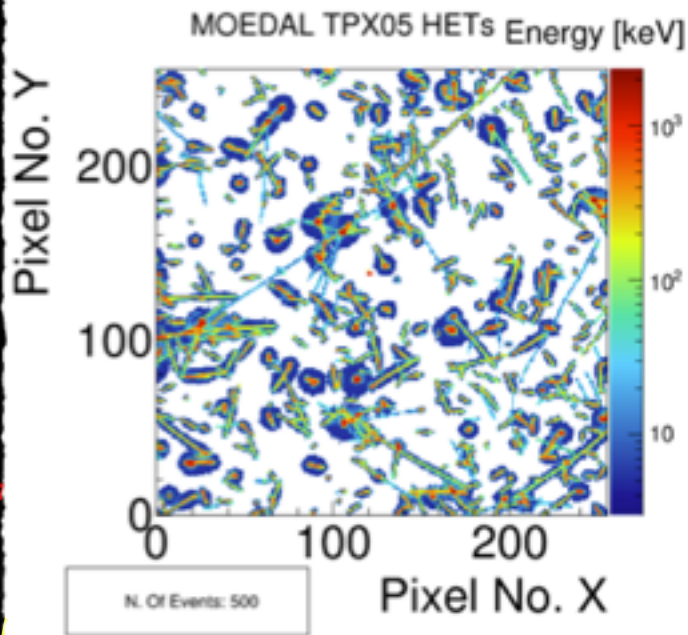
- 5 TimePix chips deployed around the cavern and being continuously readout
  - Studies if HI particle backgrounds at IP8 underway,



# TimePix Deployment in 2015/16

Sample of interesting tracks in MoEDAL TPX05 (1000 $\mu$ m)  
12/09/2015

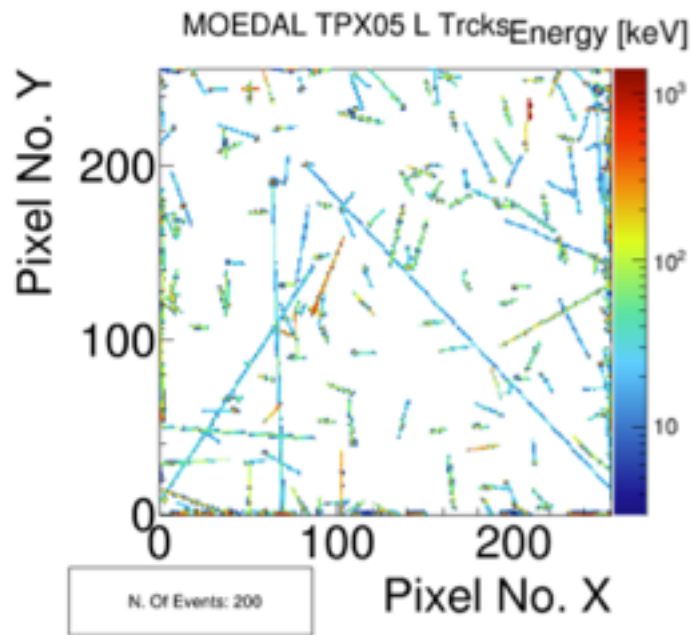
*High Energy Transfer Events*  
(Min Clstr Height: 300 keV)



16-05-04

Rate: ~7400/hour

*Long Tracks*  
(Min Clstr Height: 300 keV)

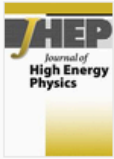


Rate: ~30/hour

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- 5 Ti continuously readout

# MoEDAL's 1<sup>st</sup> Physics Paper (1)



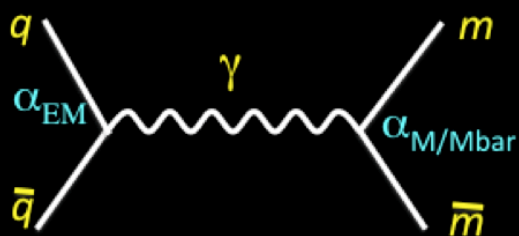
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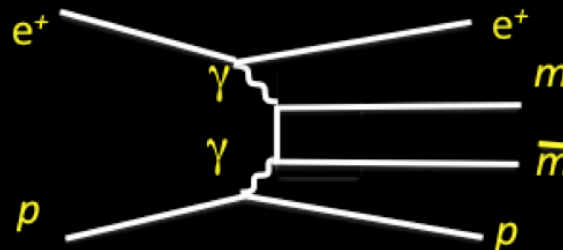
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$e^+e^- \rightarrow M\bar{M}, pp \rightarrow M\bar{M}, e^+p \rightarrow e^+pM\bar{M}, \text{etc.}$



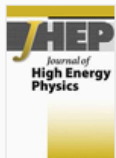
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Two-photon production



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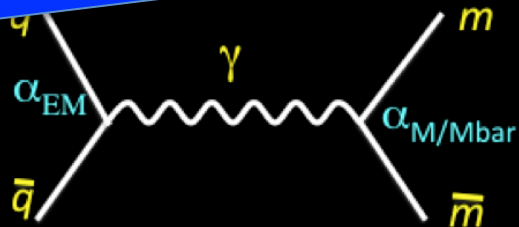


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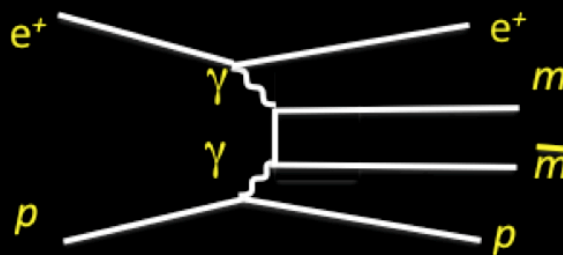
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Search for magnetic monopoles with the MoEDAL  
prototype trapping detector

MoEDAL's first (of many) PhD Thesis  
Searches for Magnetic Monopoles and Highly  
Ionising Particles at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV at the LHC  
Akshay Katre, Université de Genève  
Summer 2016



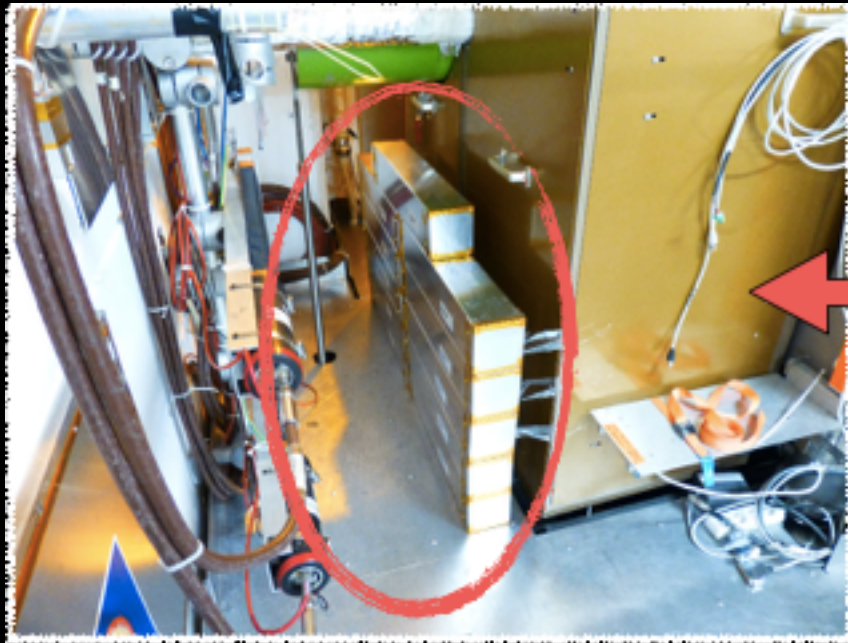
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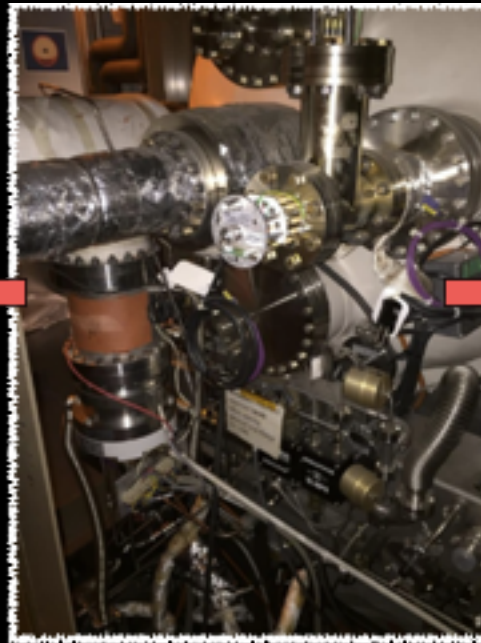
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# MoEDAL's 1<sup>st</sup> Physics Paper (2)

- Search was carried out using the prototype trapping detectors (MMTs) shown on the left, deployed for  $0.75 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $8 \text{ TeV } E_{\text{cm}}$ .



Prototype trapping detector ~ 160 kg



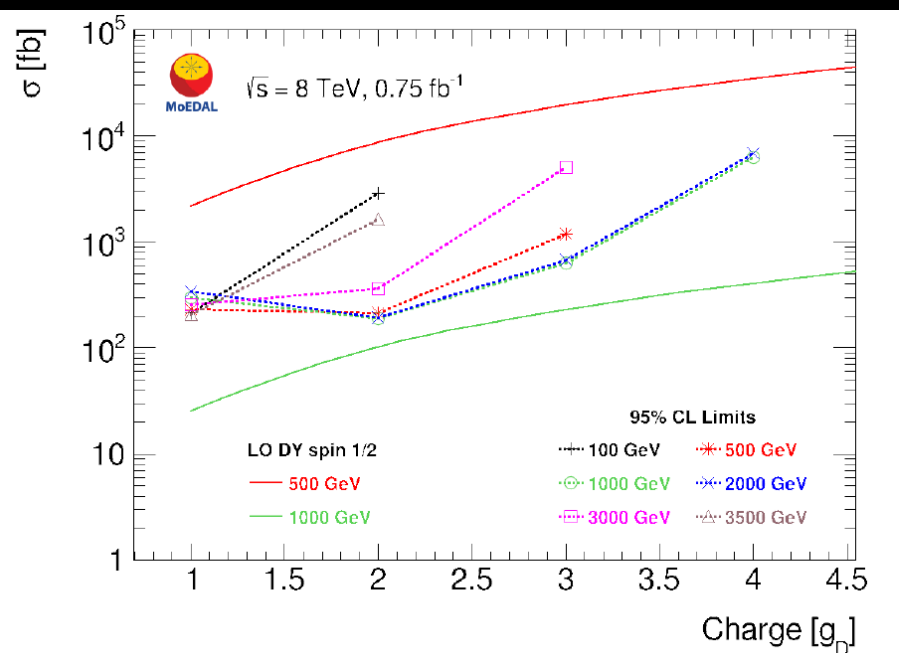
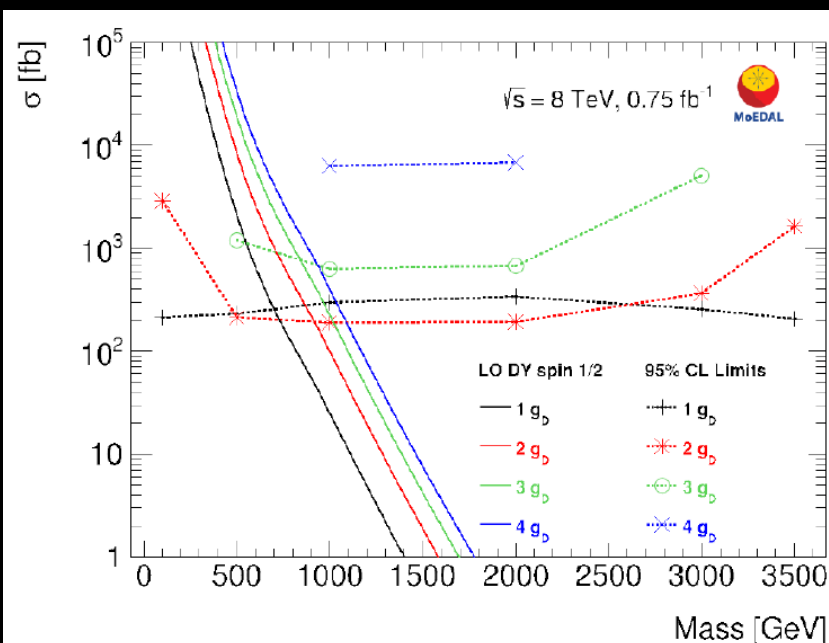
The challenge



New forward trapping Detector- 270 of 800 kg

- Trapping criterion if the monopole  $\beta \leq 0.001$  in the MMT volume then the monopole is captured.

# Cross-section Limits vs Mass + Magnetic Charge



DY Lower Mass Limits [GeV]	$ g  = g_D$	$ g  = 2g_D$	$ g  = 3g_D$
spin-1/2	700	920	840
spin-0	420	600	560

- **Probe monopole mass  $> 2.5$  TeV for the 1st time at the LHC**
  - Even with low lumi ( $0.75$  pb $^{-1}$ ) and a small prototype detector
  - World' best limits for  $|g| > g_D$  - probe up to  $4g_D$




# Refereed MoEDAL Pubs Since Last Report

The Price of an Electroweak Monopole	Phys. Lett. B756 (2016),29	Published
Search for magnetic monopoles with the MoEDAL prototype trapping detector in 8TeV proton-proton collisions at the LHC	JHEP 1608 (2016), p.067	Published
MoEDAL a new light on the high energy frontier	Contemporary Physics	Accepted TBP
Search for magnetic monopoles with the MoEDAL trapping detector in 13TeV proton-proton collisions at the LHC	To be submitted to PRL In October 2016	Paper in prep.
The MoEDAL LHC detector	To be submitted to JINST	Paper in prep.
NTD analysis for the MoEDAL experiment using mass participation methodologies	To be submitted to NIMA	Paper in prep.
An analysis of the highly ionizing particle background at IP8 (using TimePix tech.)	To be submitted to NIMA	Paper in prep.
Search for magnetic monopoles using the (full) Moedal detector in p-p collisions at the LHC	To be submitted to Phys. Rev. D	Start paper in March 2017
Search for massive electrically charged particles using MoEDAL	To be submitted to PRL	Start paper in May 2017

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From the Planck Scale to the Electroweak Scale  
23-27 May 2016  
Valencia, Spain

**Corfu Summer Institute**  
16th Hellenic School and Workshops on Elementary Particle Physics and Gravity  
Corfu, Greece 2016



**Conference on New Physics at the Large Hadron Collider**  
29 February to 4 March 2016  
Nanyang Executive Centre, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

**12th Patras Workshop on Axions, WIMPs and WISPs**  
20-24 June 2016  
Jeju Island, South Korea



**VCI 2016**  
FEB 15-19, 2016



CTP@BUE  
**Dark Matter - Cairo Workshop**  
December 14 - 17, 2015



**5th International Conference on New Frontiers in Physics ICNFP2016**  
6-14 July 2016  
Europe/Athens timezone



**4th International Conference on New Frontiers in Physics ICNFP2015**  
23-30 August 2015

**19th International Symposium on Very High Energy Cosmic Ray Interactions**  
22-27 August Moscow



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40-S2-A01 - Salle Anderson (CERN)

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**Behind the scenes  
at the Royal Society**

**PROGRAMME**

Saturday 19 March 2016

- **MoEDAL chosen to exhibit at the Royal Society (RS) Summer Exhibition in 2015 & "Behind the Scenes at the RS" in 2016**



# The MoEDAL “Zooniverse” Project



- *Uniquely the Institute for Research in Schools (IRIS) (Simon Langton School) Canterbury, UK is a full member of MoEDAL*
- *MoEDAL & IRIS are working on the citizen science Zooniverse interface “New Physics Quest” to involve school students and undergraduates in the analysis of NTD data online*



# The MoEDAL "Zooniverse" Project

**ZOONIVERSE**  
REAL SCIENCE

Nuclear Track Detector analysis  
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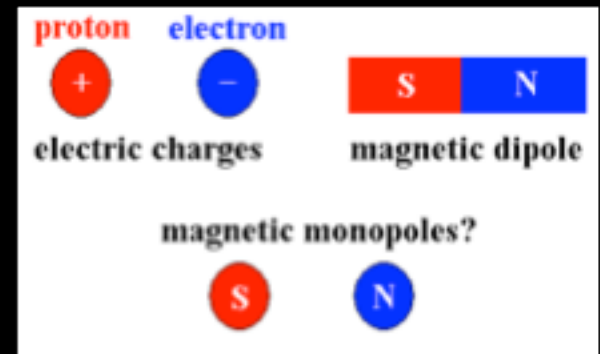
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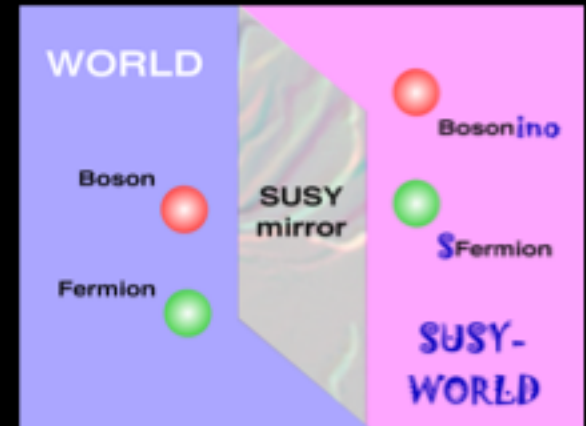
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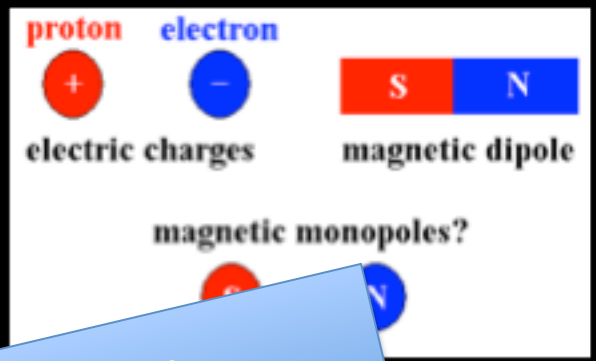


*Does magnetic charge exist?*



*Are there new symmetries of nature?*

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charge exist?

Stay tuned for many, potentially revolutionary, MoEDAL results to come

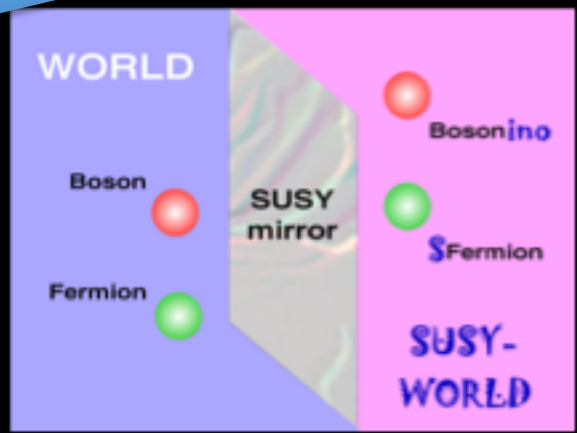
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