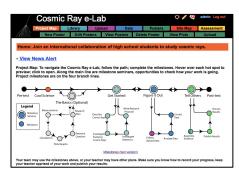


# **Cosmic Ray Studies I**

#### **QuarkNet Student Investigations**







DAQ Detector e-Lab

Marge Bardeen Fermilab







### What is QuarkNet?

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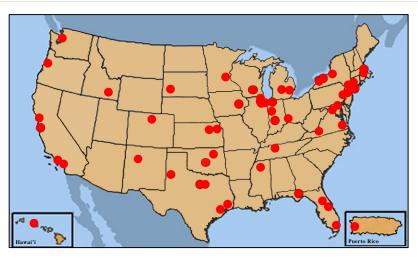
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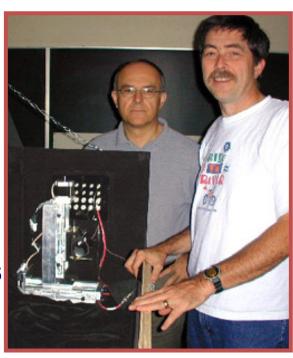
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# **QuarkNet Program**

### **Engagement with Scientific Investigations**

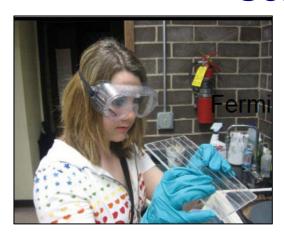
- Building long-term relationships
- Research internships
- Research-based workshops
- Masterclasses
- Cosmic Ray Studies
- Instructional materials
- Access to authentic online datasets
- Ongoing support





# **Research Opportunities**

# **Experiencing the Environment of Scientific Collaboration**



- Joining research teams
- Making real contributions to experiments
- Learning how scientists make discoveries

Who: <u>Teachers</u> <u>Students</u>

How Long: 8 weeks 6 weeks, typically

When: Year 1 - 2 teachers/center

Years 3+ 1 teacher with 4-student team

(up to 25 teams per year)



# **Research Opportunities**

### **Attending Research Scenario Workshops**

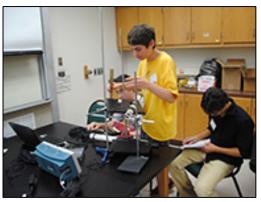
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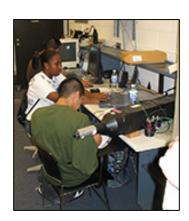
How Long: 2–3 weeks 1 week, typically

When: Year 2 - ~8 teachers/center Year 3+





Future detector experts





# **Cosmic Ray Studies**

### **Education Program**

High school students develop their own research questions, conduct investigations, analyze data & reports results.

#### **Materials Include:**

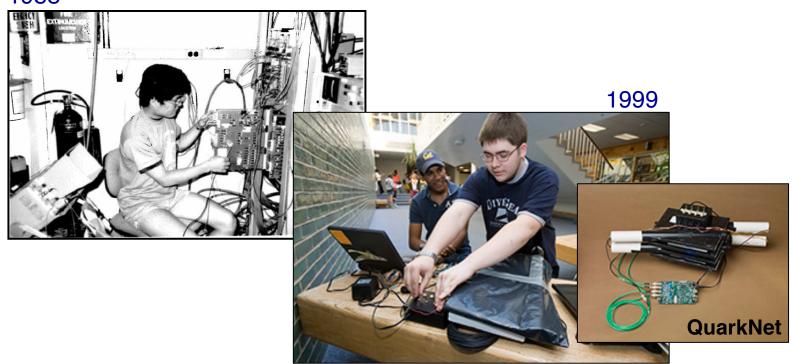
- Hardware portable & configurable
- Data Analysis Tools online, browser-based
- Cosmic Ray e-Lab instructional tool for teachers
- Professional Development workshops & help desk



### **Hardware**

## **Something Old: Something New**

1988





#### **Hardware**

#### **Detector Kit**



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Power box (low voltage)
DAQ (developed by FNAL)
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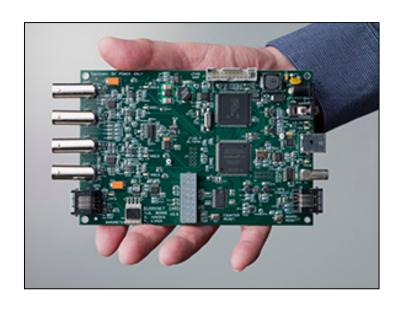
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### Where are the 840 DAQs?





- 260 detectors deployed in QuarkNet
- 450 in 32 countries:
  - Education 294
  - Science
  - Museums 13
- 130 in inventory

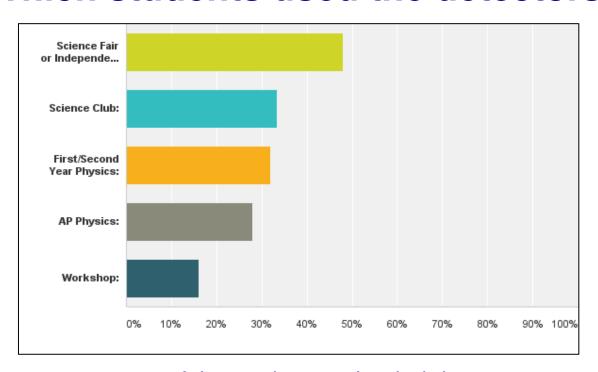






# **Usage in QuarkNet**

#### Which students used the detectors.



47% of the students uploaded data. 25% used data from other schools.



# **Cosmic Ray e-Lab**



#### e-Lab

#### **Enables:**

- Guided inquiry
- Data sharing
- Flux, shower, lifetime, time-of-flight studies
- Sharing with posters
- Global collaboration

Students draw conclusions supported by evidence and provide reasoning.



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# Cosmic Ray e-Lab



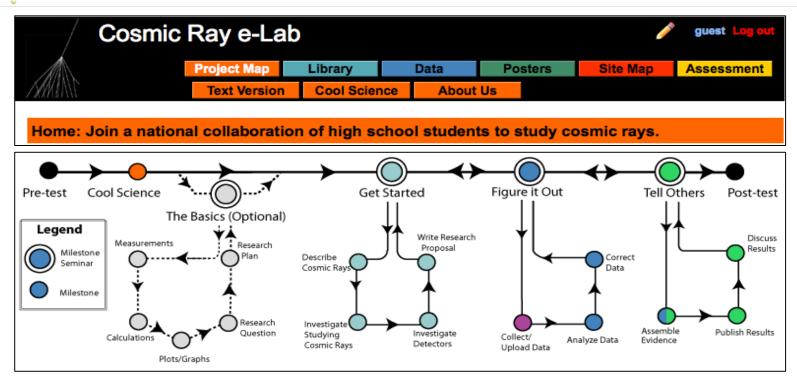






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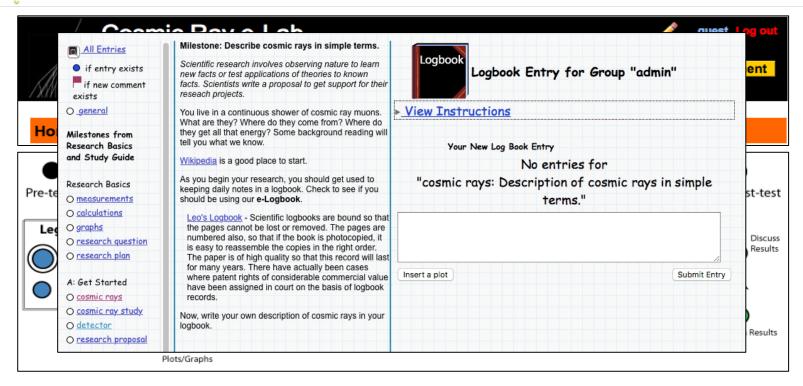


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# **Professional Development**

### 3-Day Workshop: CR 101

#### **Student Hat**

- Assemble detector.
- Take data overnight.
- Use analysis tools.
  - Upload data.
  - Analyze data.
  - Create plot.
  - Create poster.
- Conduct mini-project.

#### **Teacher Hat**

- Reflect each day.
- Present results.
- Develop classroom plan.
- Share plan.

We also offer CR 102.



# **Professional Development**

#### To be successful teachers need to be:

- Confident to use the detector and analysis tools.
- Comfortable to step back.
- Clever to convince administrators.

Our Data Portfolio offers a broad approach.

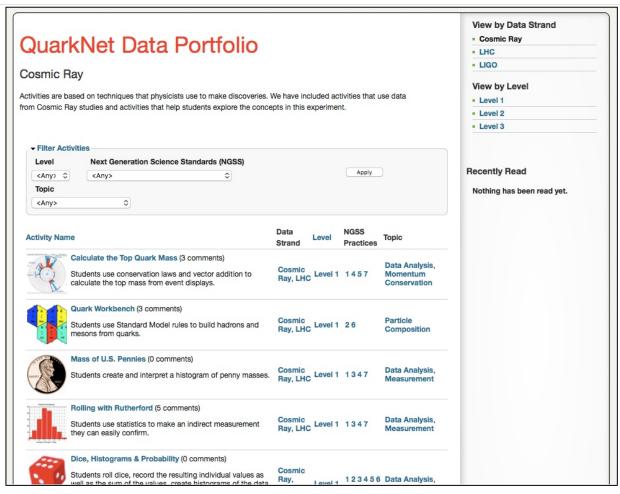
A range of student engagement:

Introduction – Survey – Investigation – Exploration e-Lab





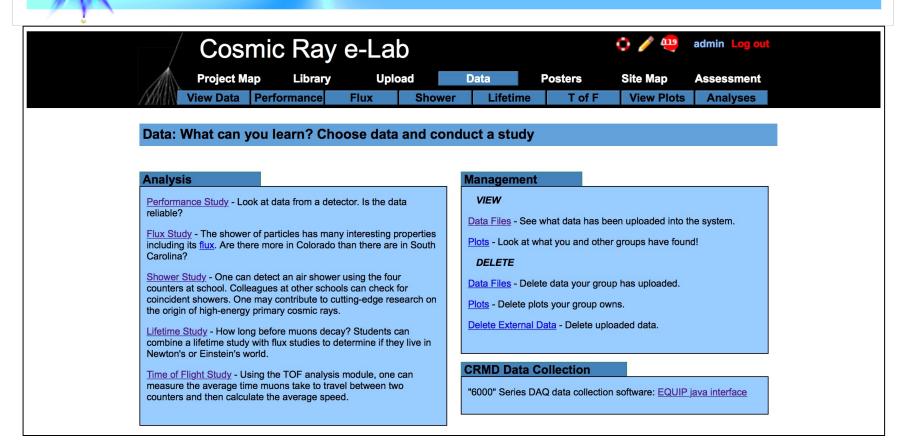
### **Data Portfolio**





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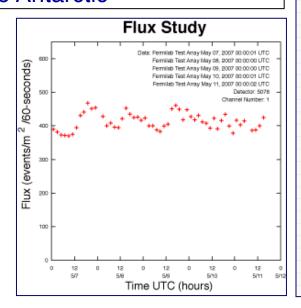
#### e-Lab Data Interface

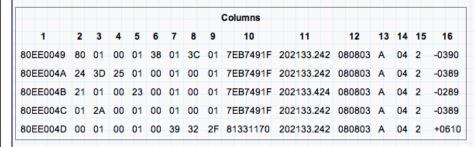


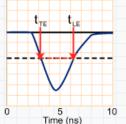


### **Data Stats**

- 81,000 e-Lab data files
- 20,000 plots
- 1,700 posters
- World-wide data: 21 countries
   & the Antarctic







The hardware measures times very, very well. It detects when the <a href="https://photomultijemp

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The last 6 columns provide other information. Many columns are <a href="hexadecima">hexadecima</a>
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Column 13 shows the validity of the last GPS update.

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Columns 15 and 16 show data status (15) and time offset information (16).



# **Cosmics Team @ FNAL**

#### **Over to Mark**



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