

Probing Physics Beyond the Standard Model

also in Finland?

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- 540 participants
- 2 Nobel laurates

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Five empirical evidences for physics beyond SM

• at least five missing pieces in the SM:

dark matter

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Implicit conclusions -> Get ma

Get more data; especially interesting would be extragalactic neutrinos

 There is a broad consensus that we are at the threshold of a major breakthrough discovery in physics → <u>keep looking</u>!

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- We need more data → the first key steps towards the solution are bound to come from <u>experiments</u>!
- Since neutrinos are the only known particles disobeying the predictions of the SM → focus on <u>neutrinos</u>!
- Significance of cosmological aspects → importance of <u>extragalactic</u> messengers

Global response to the BSM challenge

Just a few examples







~550 participants from 72 institutions in 17 countries



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~1000 members, 184 inst. 32 countries + CERN

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What could be done in Finland <u>now</u>?

- 1. No financial resources \rightarrow a <u>novel idea</u> is needed
- 2. No new constructions \rightarrow use the <u>available infrastructure</u>
- 3. No new positions \rightarrow rely on the <u>network of experts</u>

Background for the idea

- Ultra high-energy neutrinos are extragalactic & rare
 - giant target mass + long measurements
- Size of water and ice-based experiments is limited ~km³
- The density of water and ice is only 1 g/cm³
- IceCube optical sensors are pointing downwards
 - not optimized for top-to-bottom events
- EeV neutrinos are not expected to traverse Earth

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Ernie: 1.14 PeV neutrino

1. The idea: Acoustic detection of EeV neutrinos in bedrock



Oral presentation and peer-reviewed proceedings: EPJ Web of Conferences 216, 04009 (2019) <u>https://arxiv.org/abs/1909.00417</u>

Acoustic and Radio EeV Neutrino detection Activities



Rock vs. water

- 3x larger density
- \rightarrow increased target mass
- → higher event rate for neutrinos
- 4x larger speed of sound
- 10x larger pressure pulse
- Longer attenuation length
- Logistics (mine vs. ocean)



Rock













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What is the bottleneck?

Funding for the on-site team

To make measurements in the mine, at least two scientist have to be stationed in Pyhäsalmi

A grant from the Academy would solve the problem









Conclusions:

 Neutrinos are important & relevant
Finland has a realistic chance to make a significant contribution

Thank you for your attention!

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