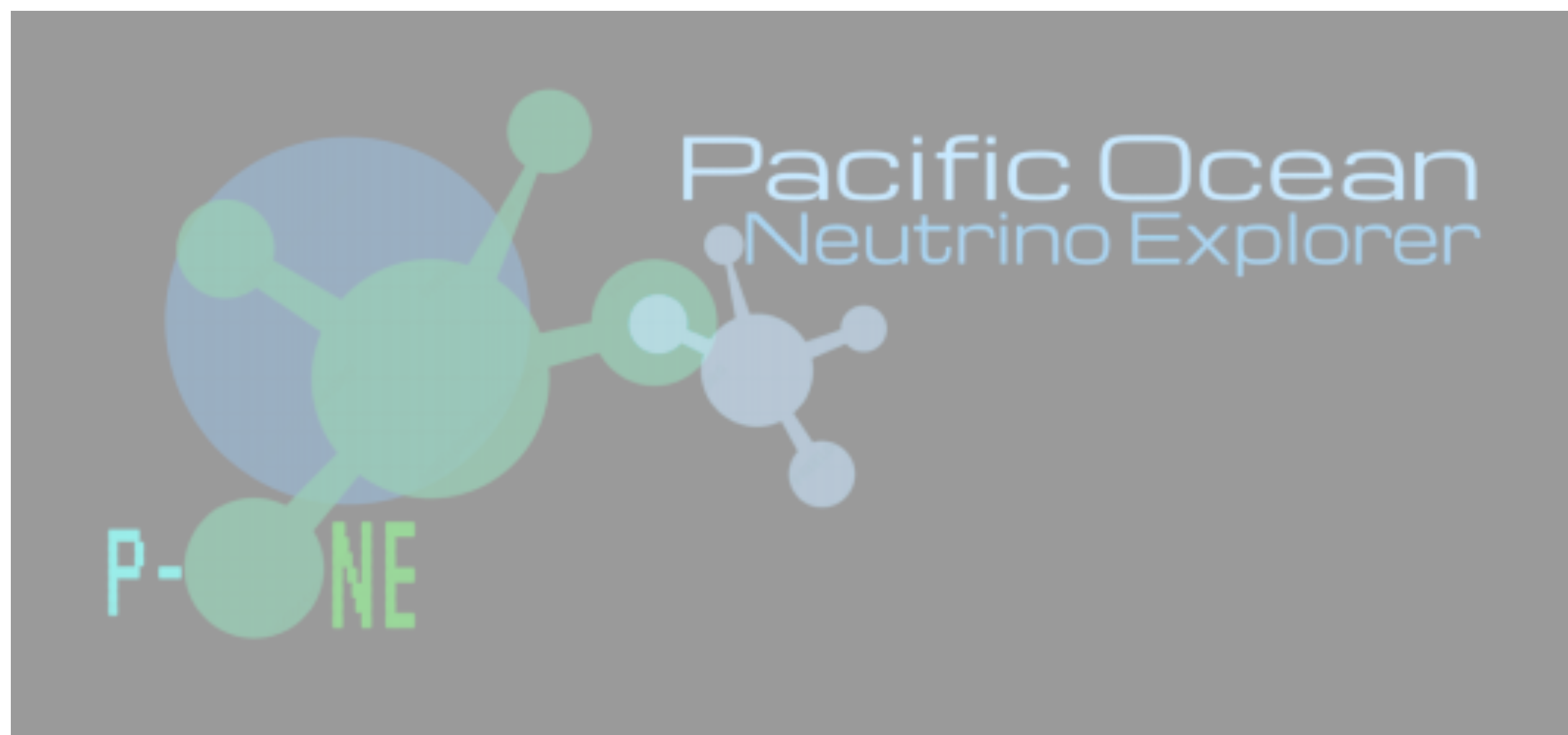


# Pacific Ocean Neutrino Explorer — P-ONE — Status update

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On behalf of the P-ONE Collaboration  
2019-09-05



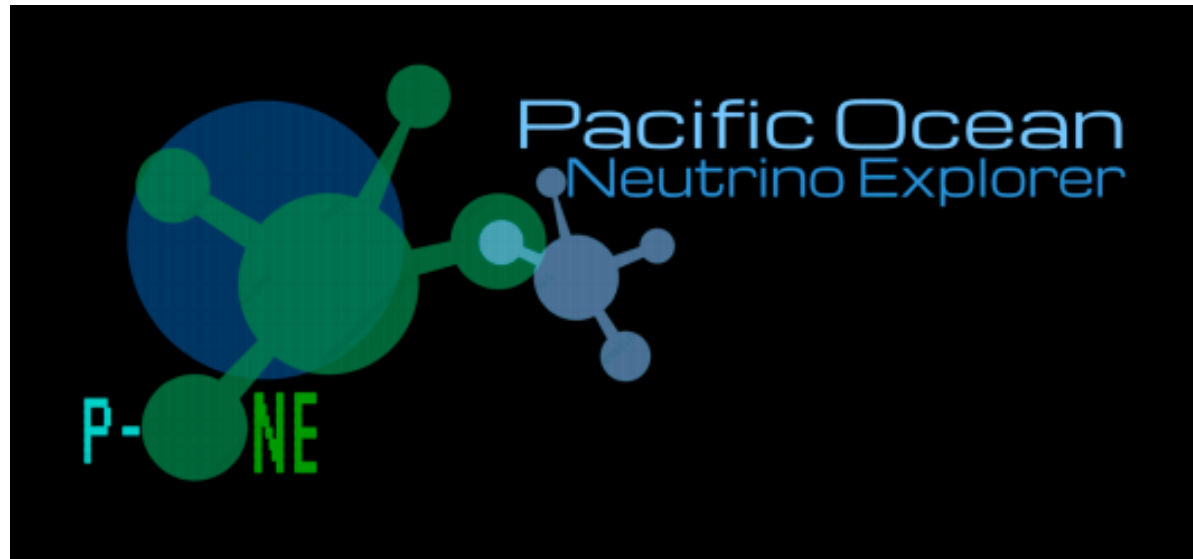
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  - What has been deployed
  - How well are the site characteristics known
- What comes next?
- Why another neutrino telescope?



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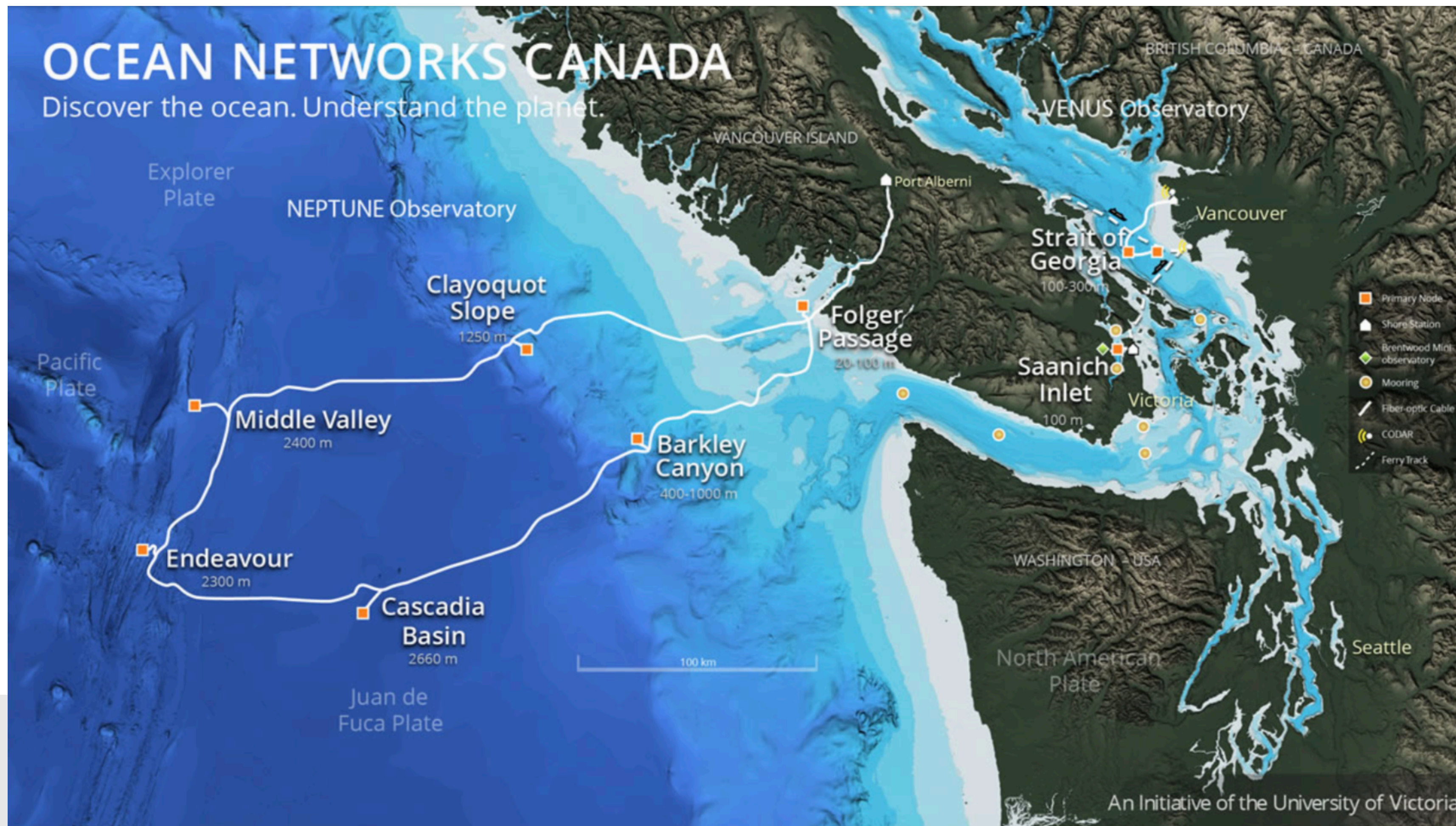


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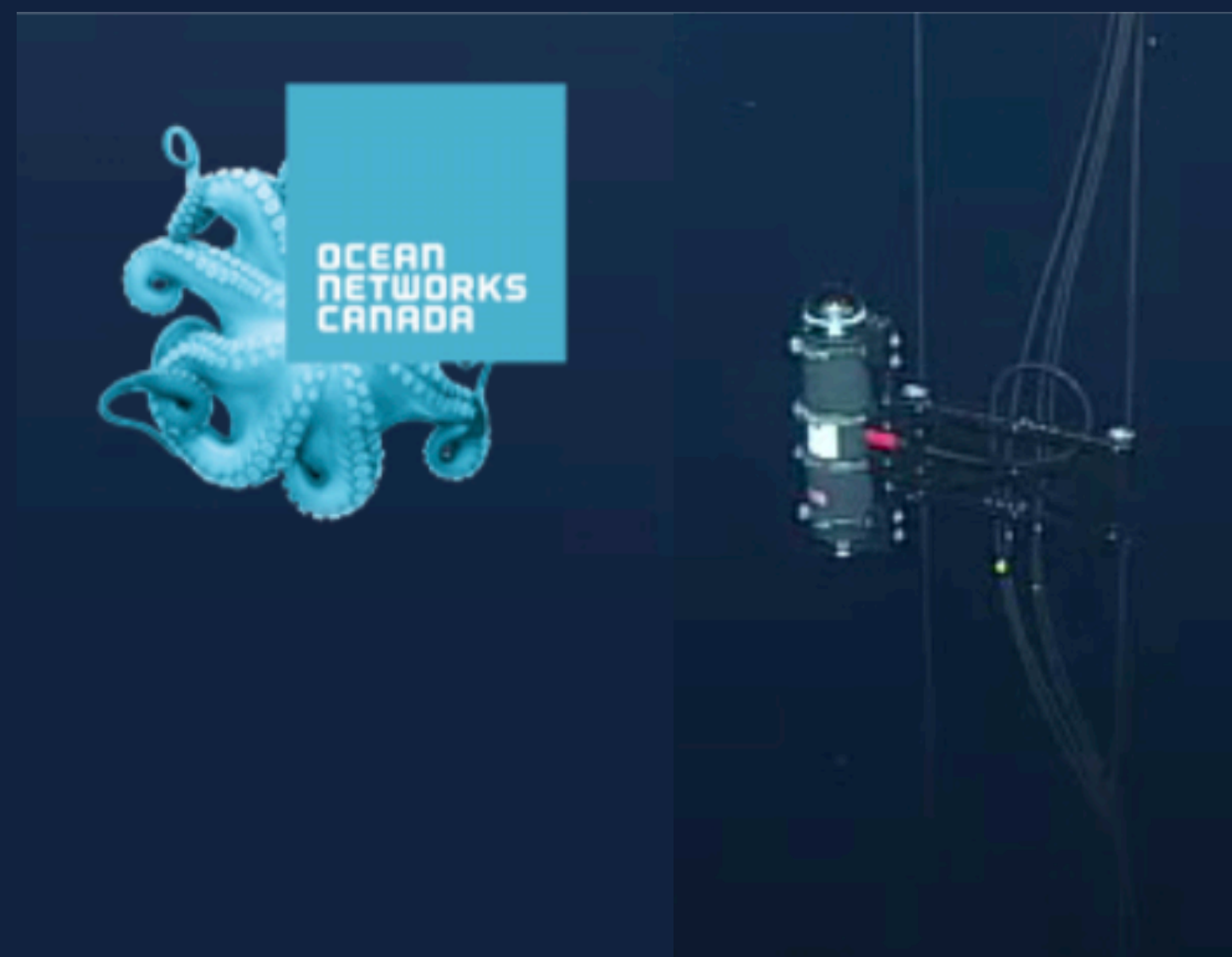
# Why are we here?

- Because of the existing ONC deep sea infrastructure!



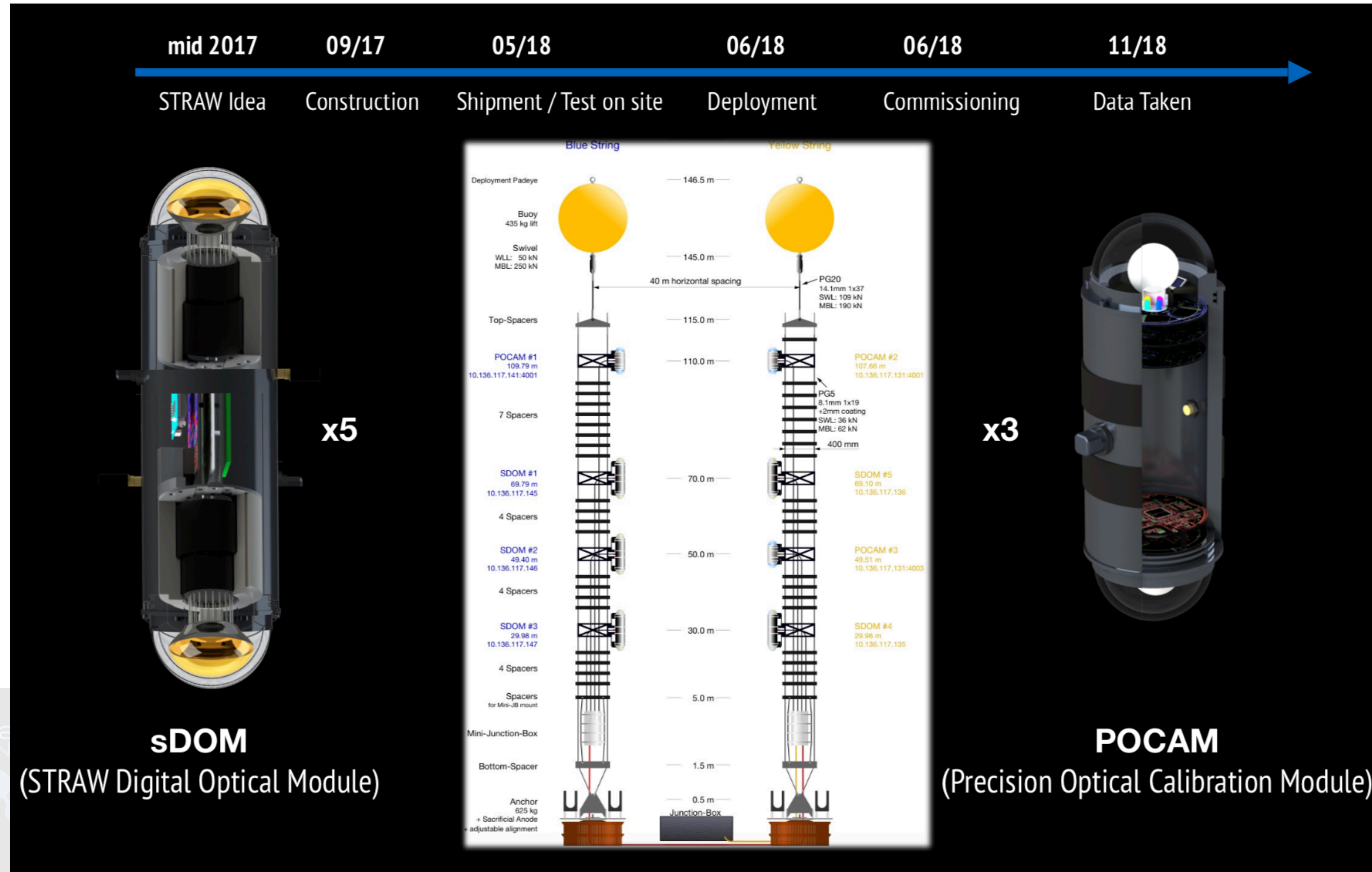
- One of world's largest and most advanced cabled ocean observatory
- Consists of NEPTUNE & VENUS & number of smaller observatories
- NEPTUNE:
  - completed in 2009
  - 800km loop of fibre optic cable, data flow and power infrastructure
  - designed for long-lived, highly reliable underwater operations
  - high-speed data link (1Gb/s)
  - high power (at least 8kW/node)





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# STRAW — Strings for absorption length in water



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Timeline: mid 2017 (STRAW Idea) → 09/17 (Construction) → 05/18 (Shipment / Test on site) → 06/18 (Deployment) → 06/18 (Commissioning) → 11/18 (Data Taken)

ONC team - no physicist on board

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- How good are the optical properties in the Cascadia Basin:

1. Local bioluminescence activity (expected main emission spectrum 440-540 nm)

- (I) Identification of burst periods
- (II) Bioluminescence vs. water current

2. Background characterization

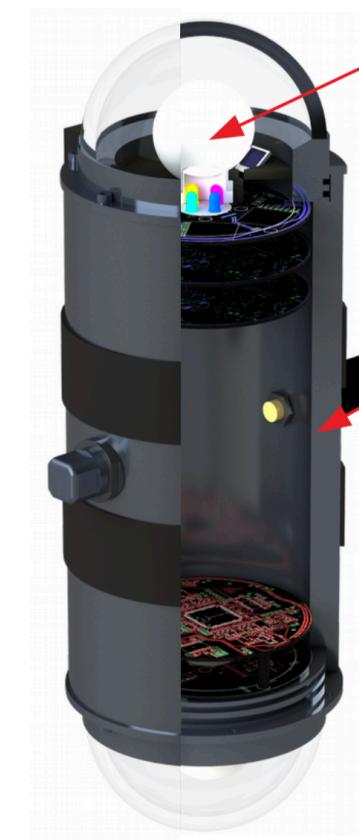
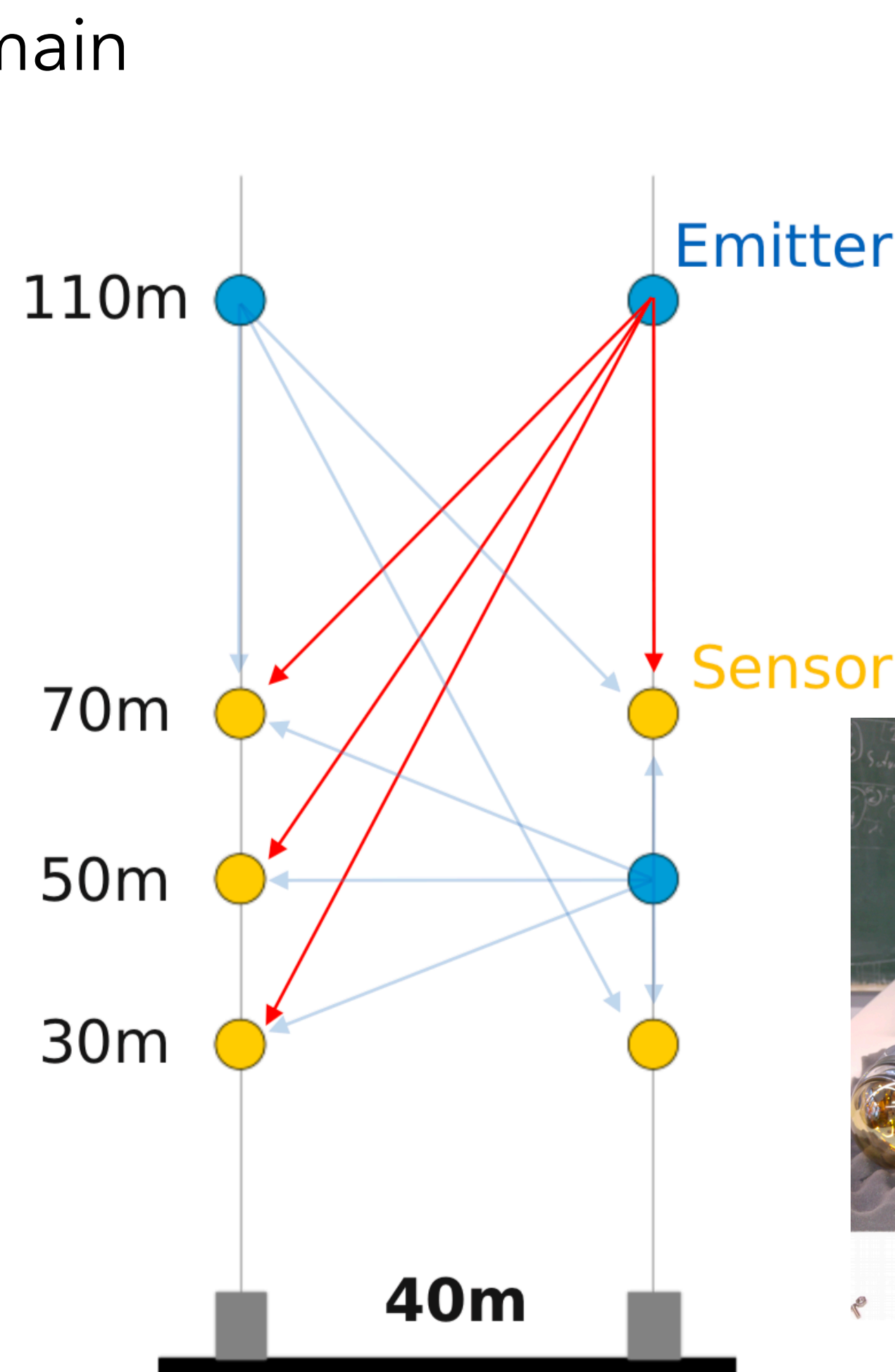
- (I) Baseline ( $^{40}\text{K}$  and diffuse bioluminescence)
- (II) Sedimentation effect

3. Optical properties of the water

Deployment was a 100% success,  
all sDOMS are taking data!  
(see M. Boehmer et al 2019 JINST 14 P02013)

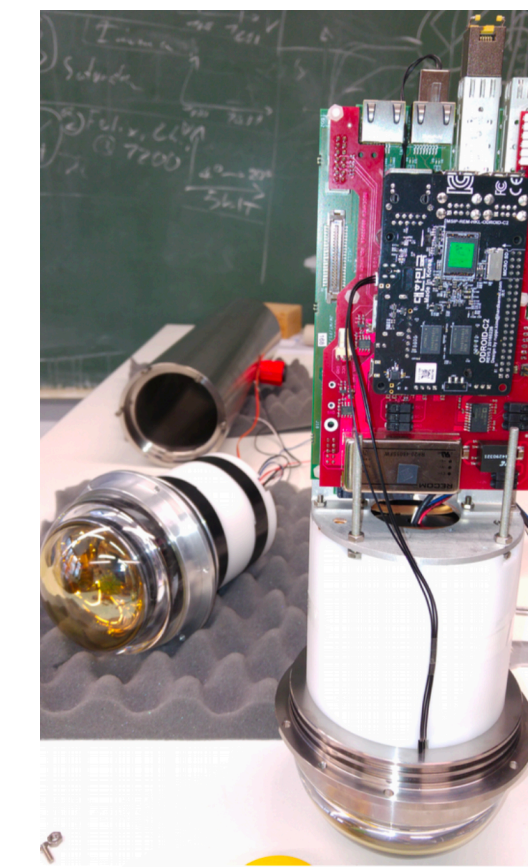
- Two-string detector with eight instruments

- **Emitter:** Precision Optical Calibration Module (POCAM)
- **Sensor:** STRAW Digital Optical Module (sDOM)  
→ counting single photons

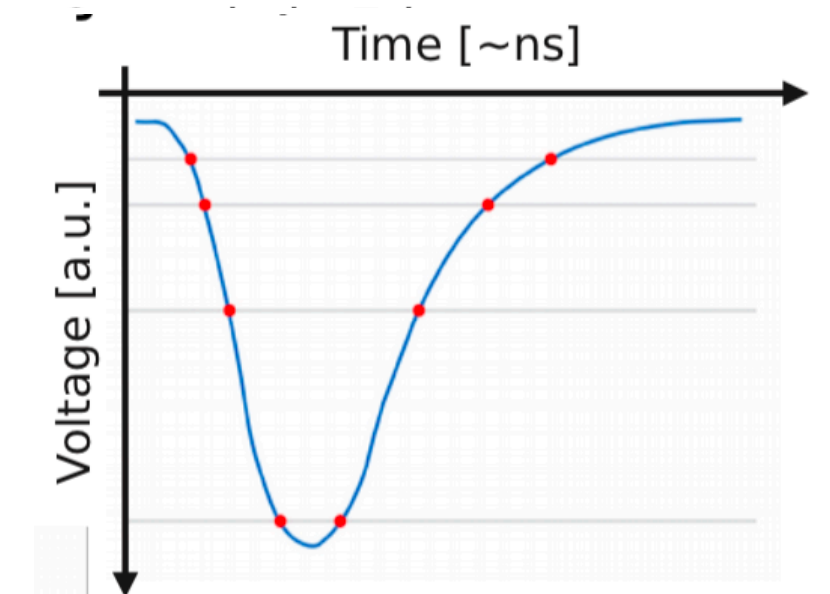


- Multi-wavelength emission for spectral studies

- 365, 405, 465, 525, 605nm

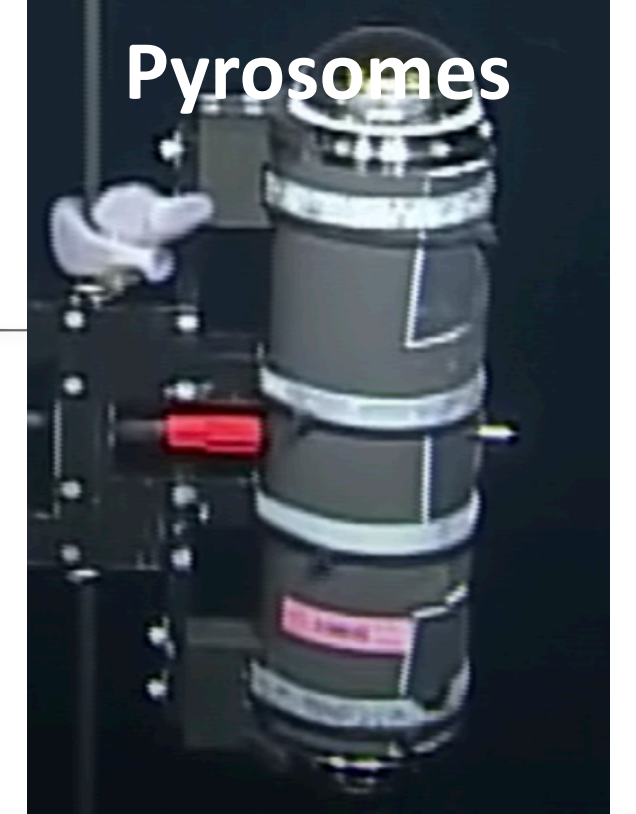


- Two 3" PMTs (Hamamatsu R12199)
- 4 channels per PMT





# What can we measure with STRAW



## 1. Local bioluminescence activity (expected main emission spectrum 440-540 nm)

(I) Identification of burst periods → typical length of 30s

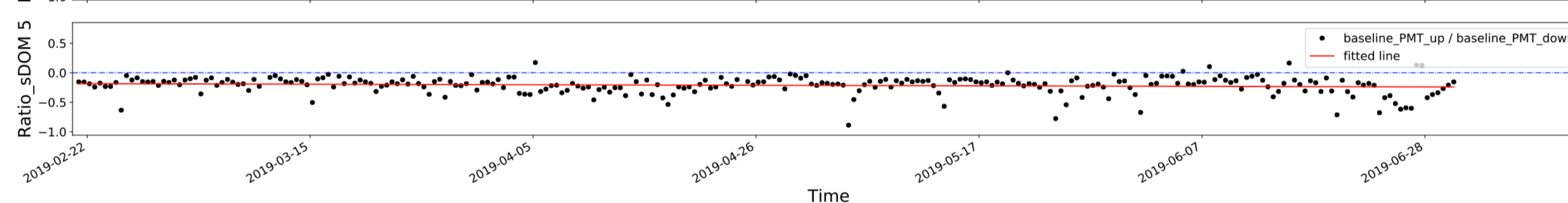
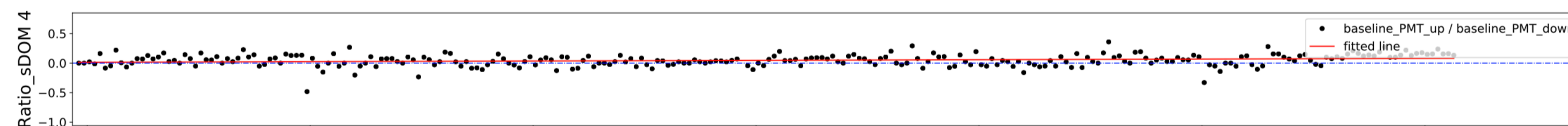
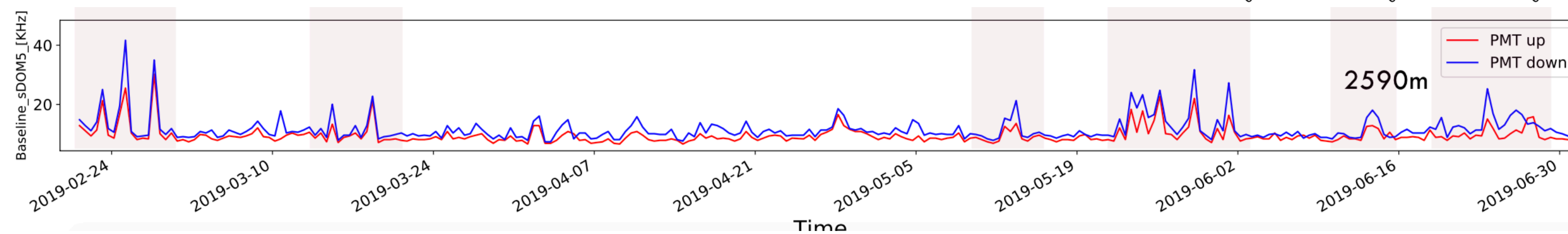
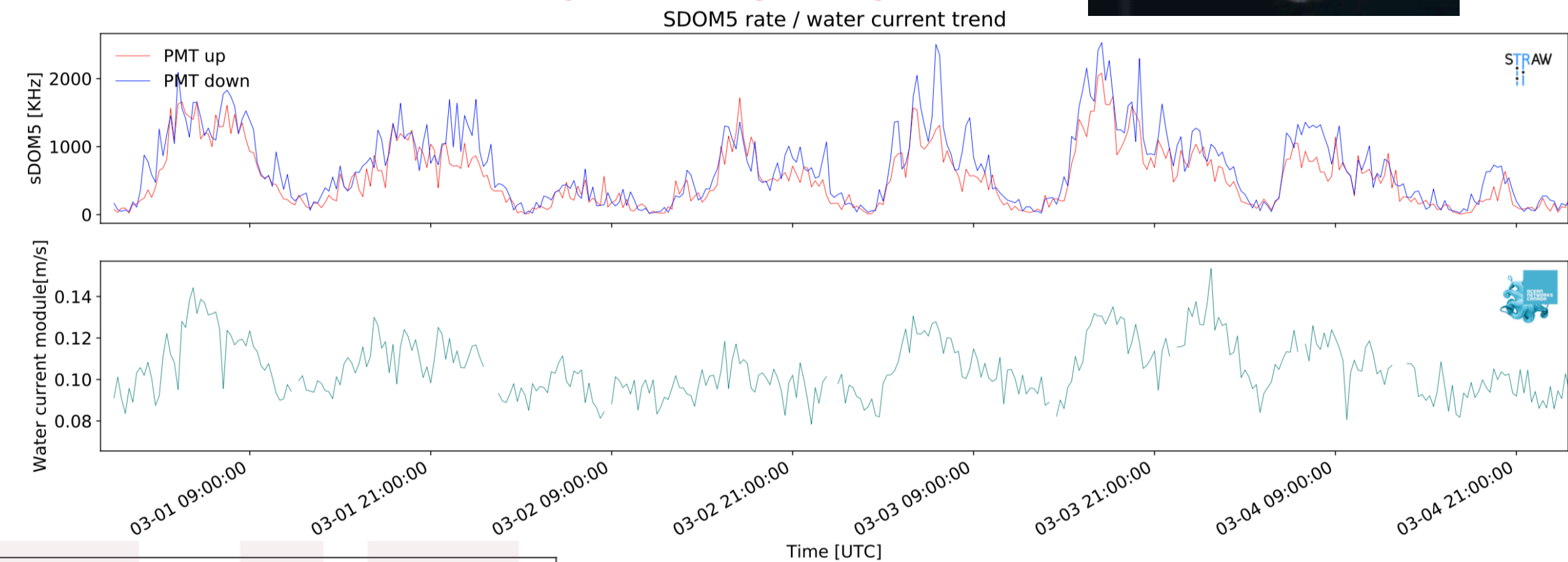
(II) Bioluminescence vs. water current → well known, detailed correlation analysis ongoing

## 2. Background characterization

(I) Baseline (<sup>40</sup>K and diffuse bioluminescence)

(II) Sedimentation effect

→ no indication so far



**\*Preliminary\***  
(analyses ongoing)



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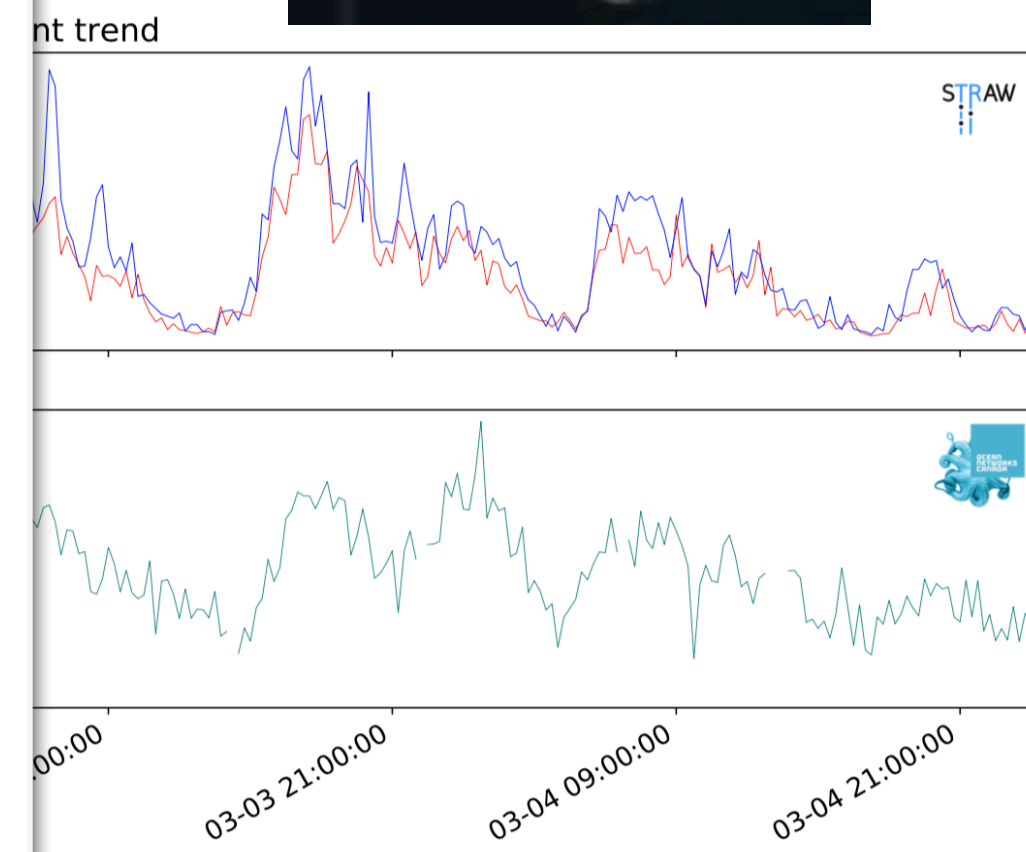
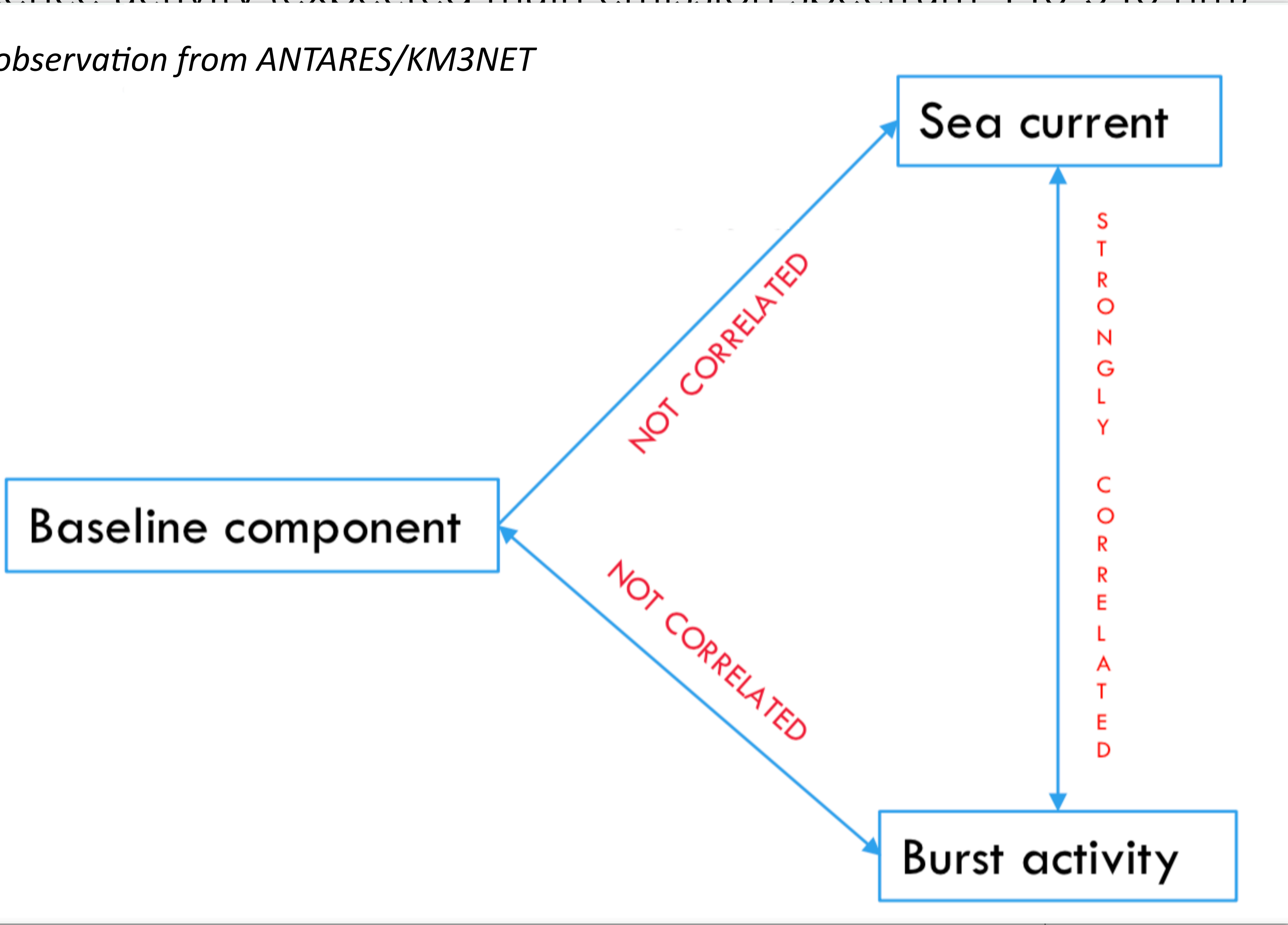
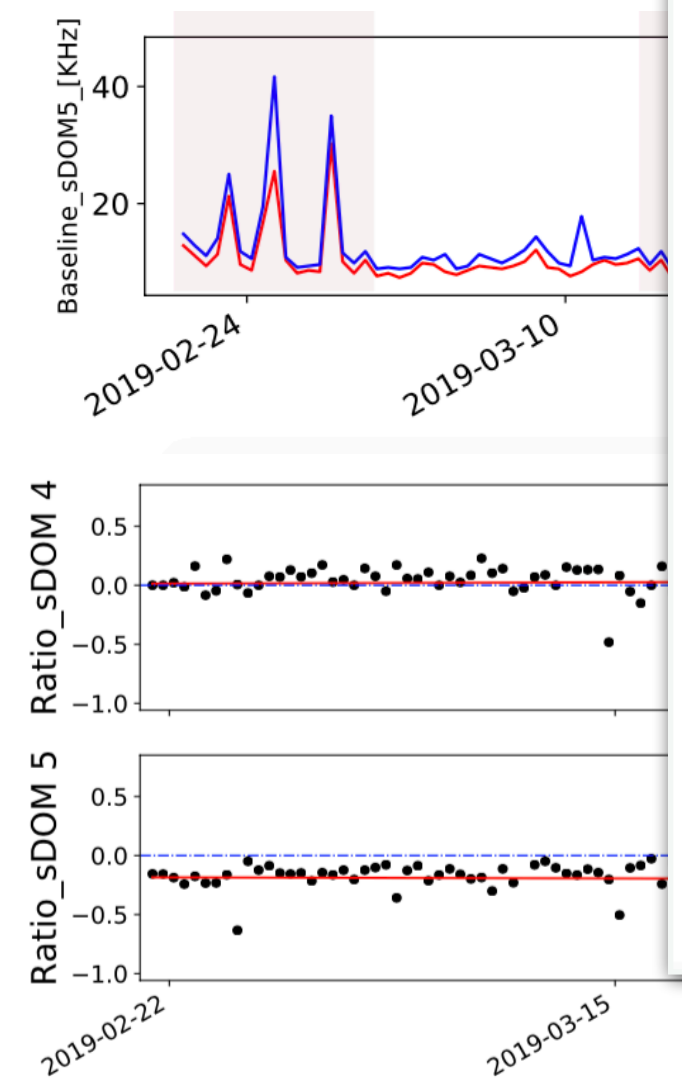
(II) Bioluminescence

2. Background characteristics

(I) Baseline ( $^{40}\text{K}$  and  $^{210}\text{Pb}$ )

(II) Sedimentation

→ no indication



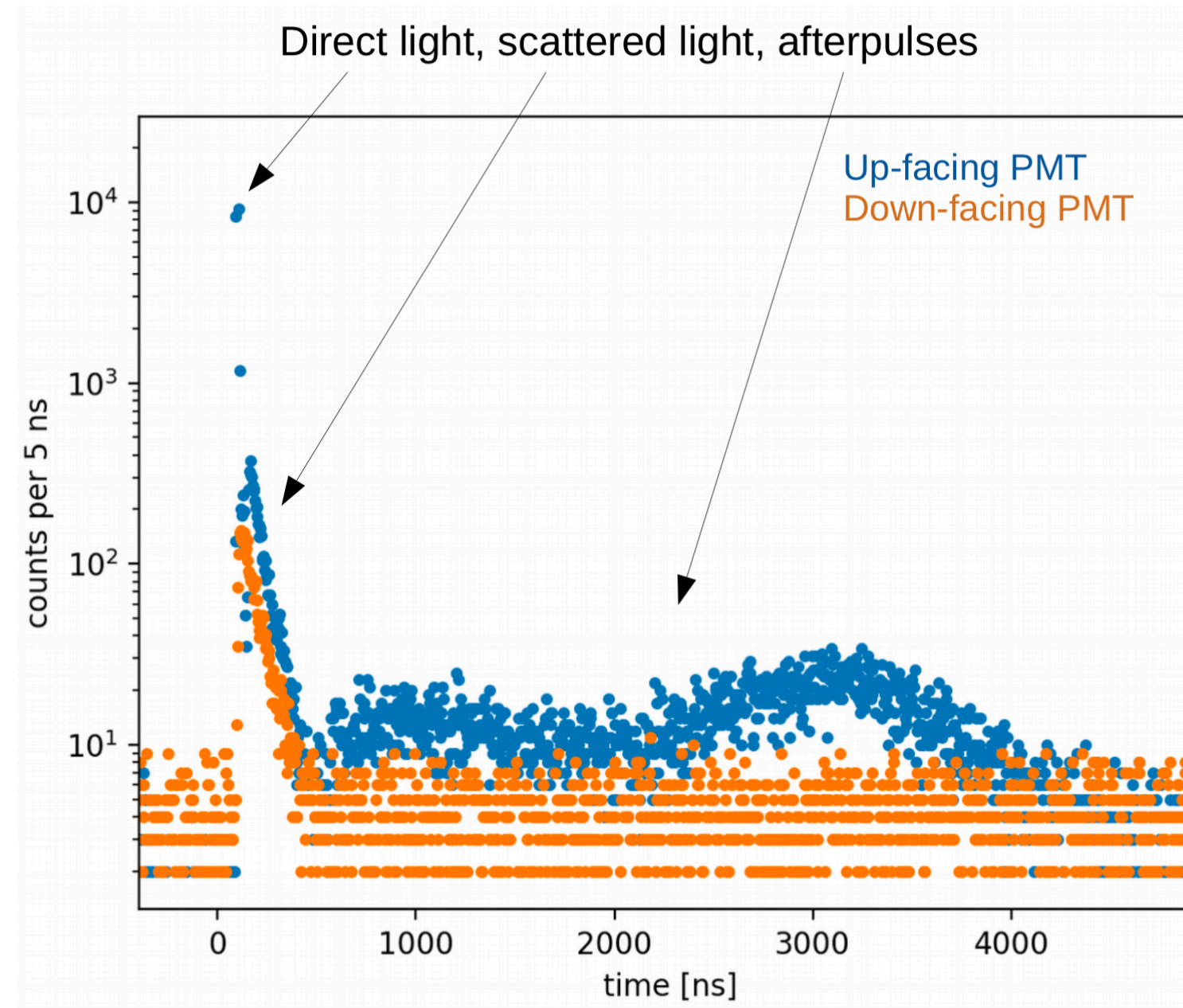
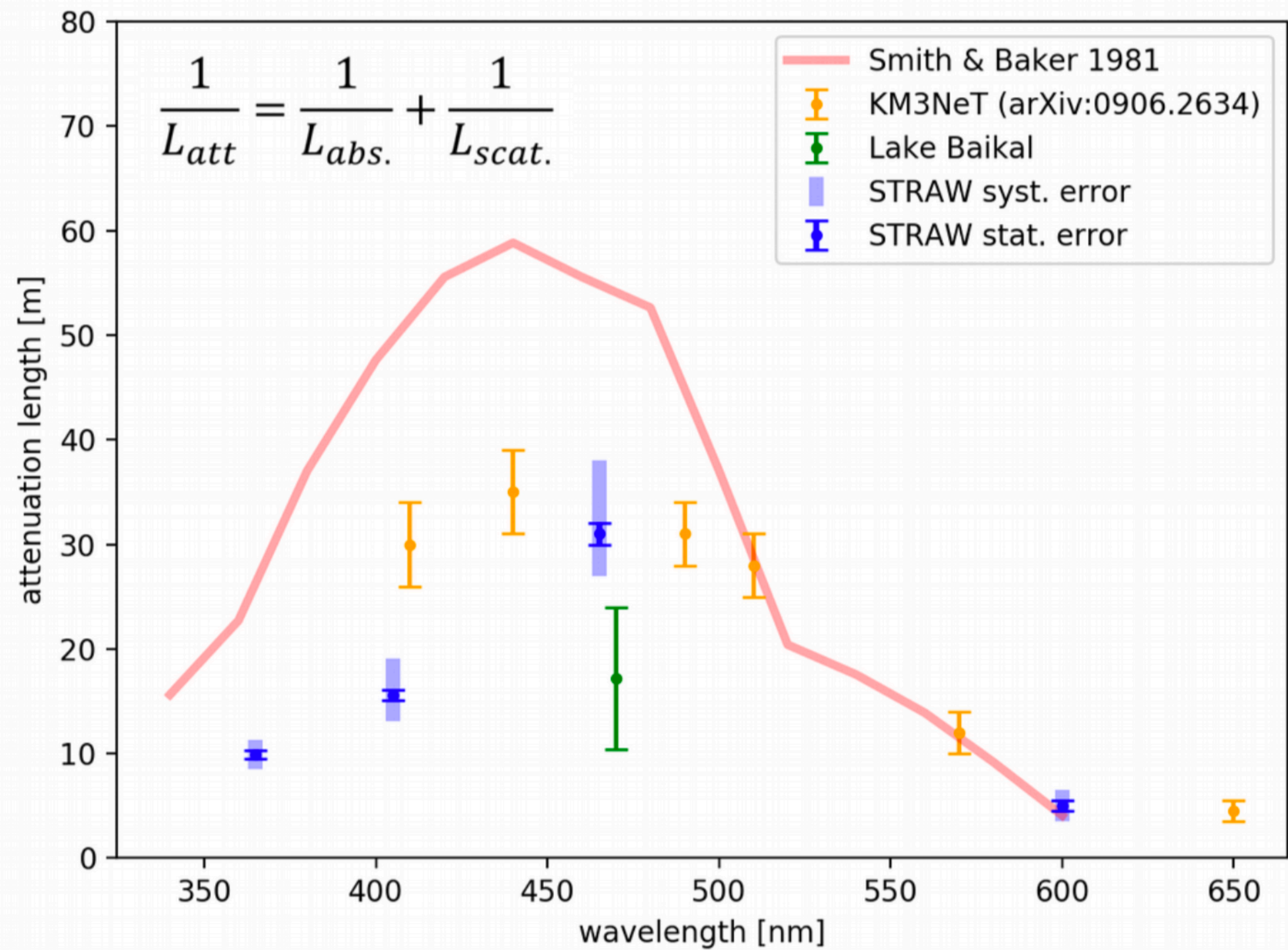
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(Data ongoing)



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# Optical properties of the Water

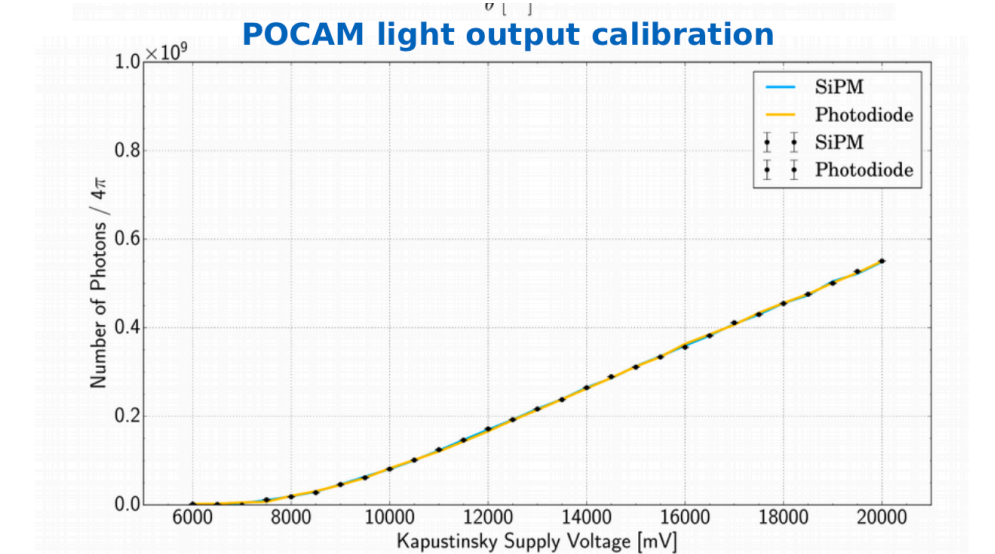
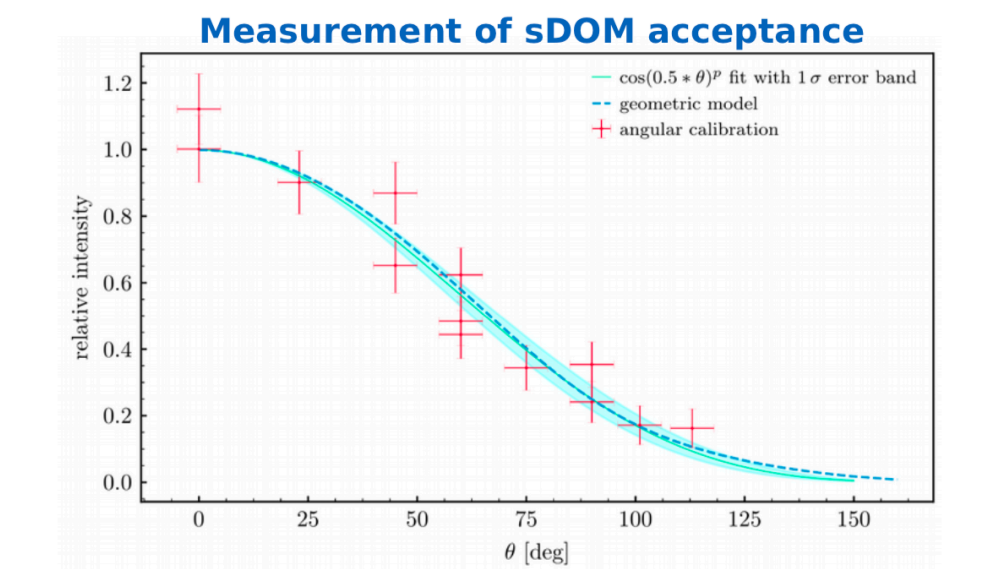
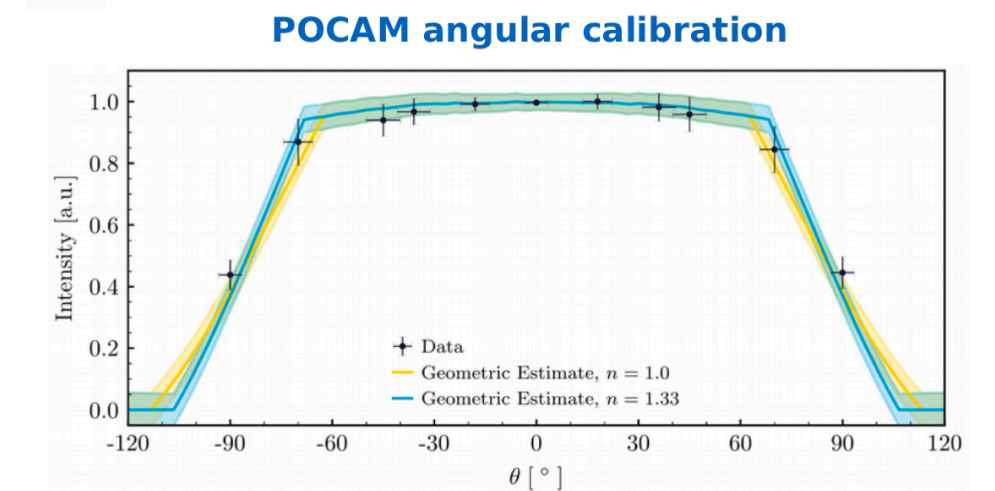
- Measure Attenuation length in the water
- For different wavelength
- Scattering and absorption separately
- **First results look promising!**



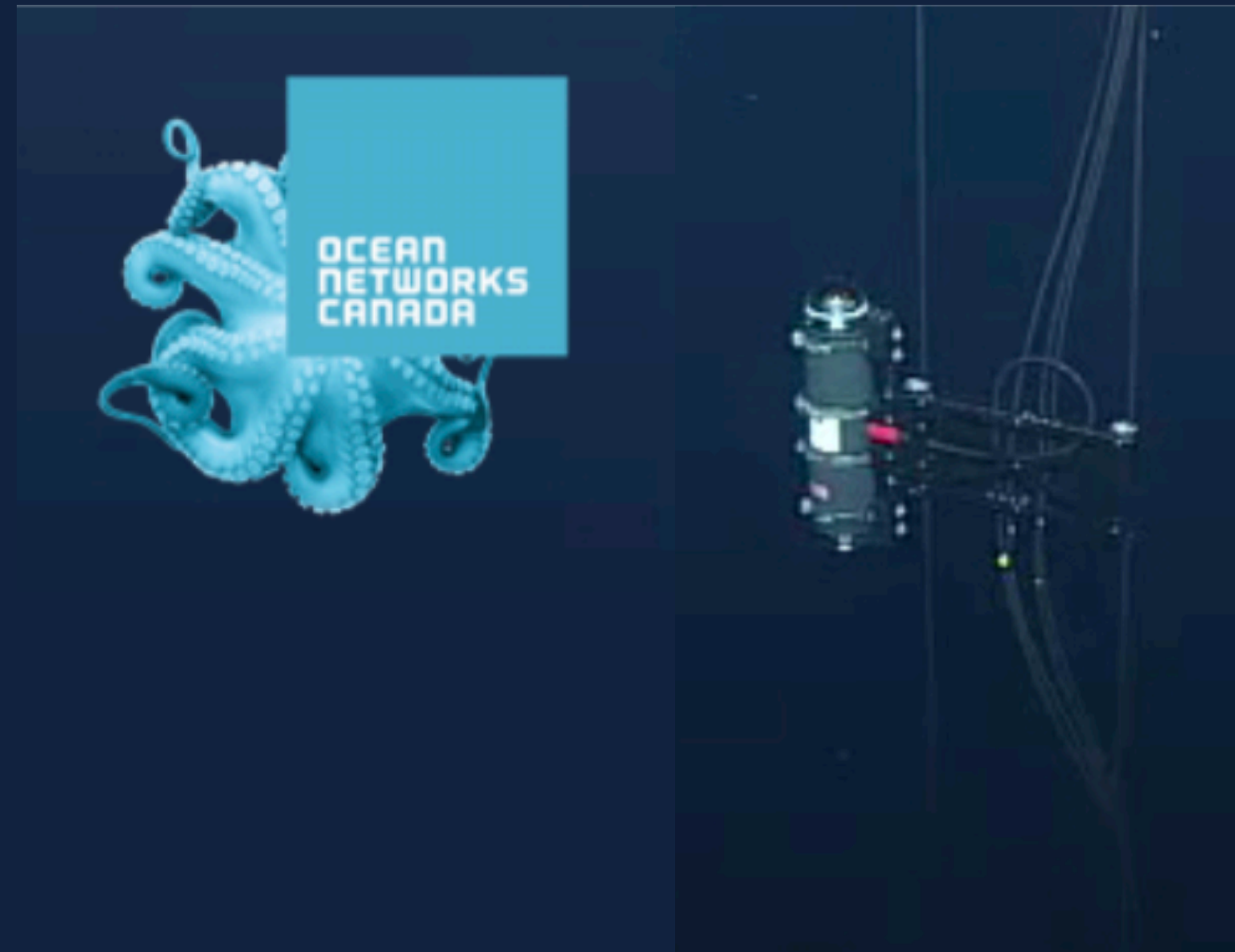
$$I(r) = \frac{I_0}{r^2} e^{-\frac{r}{\lambda_{att}}}$$

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## Inputs:



**\*Preliminary\***  
(analyses ongoing)



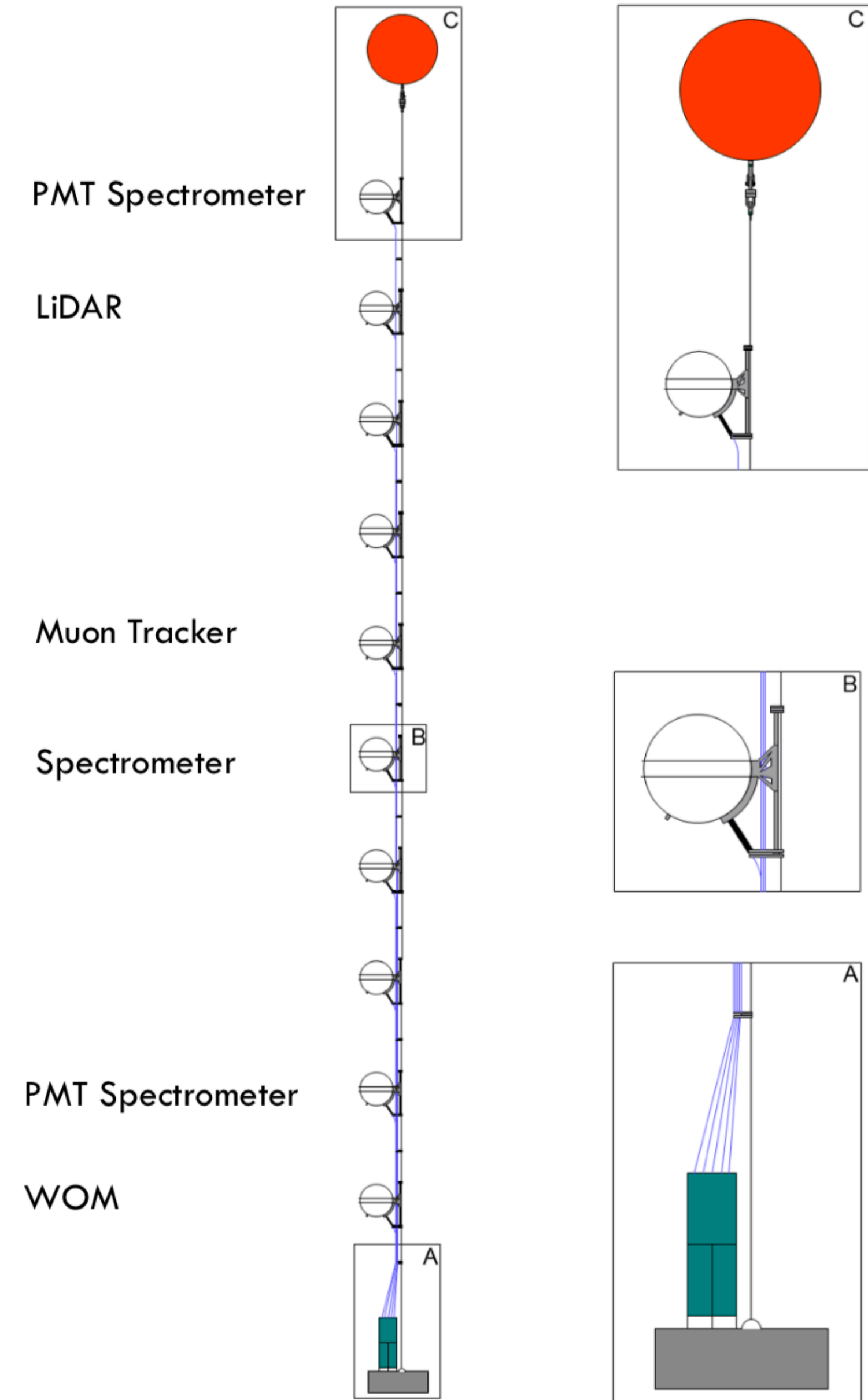
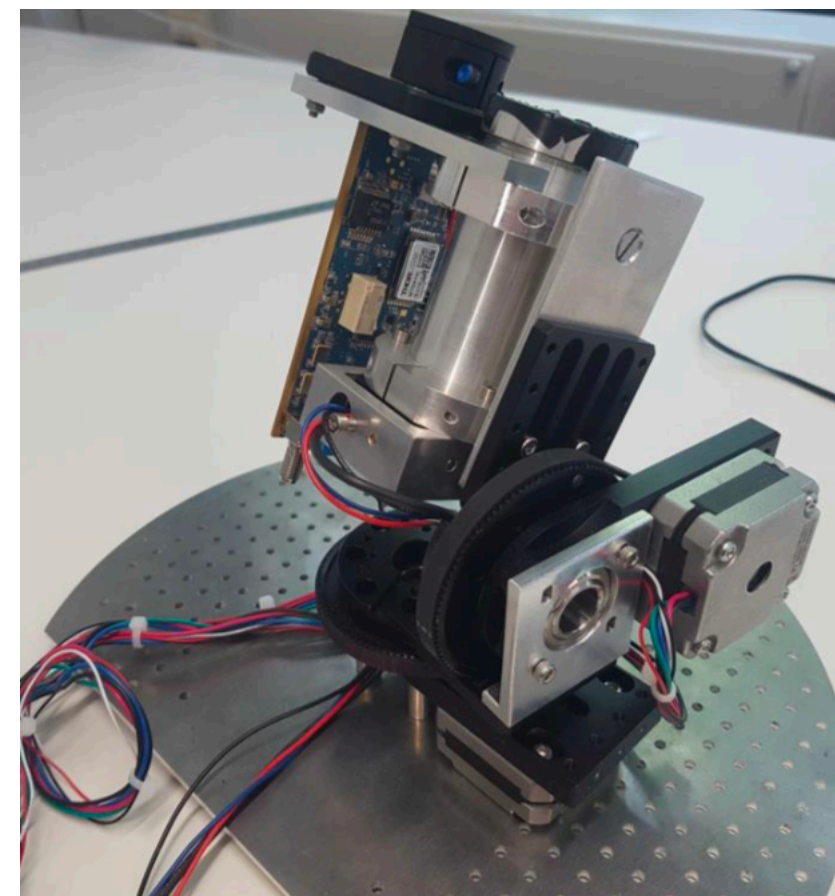
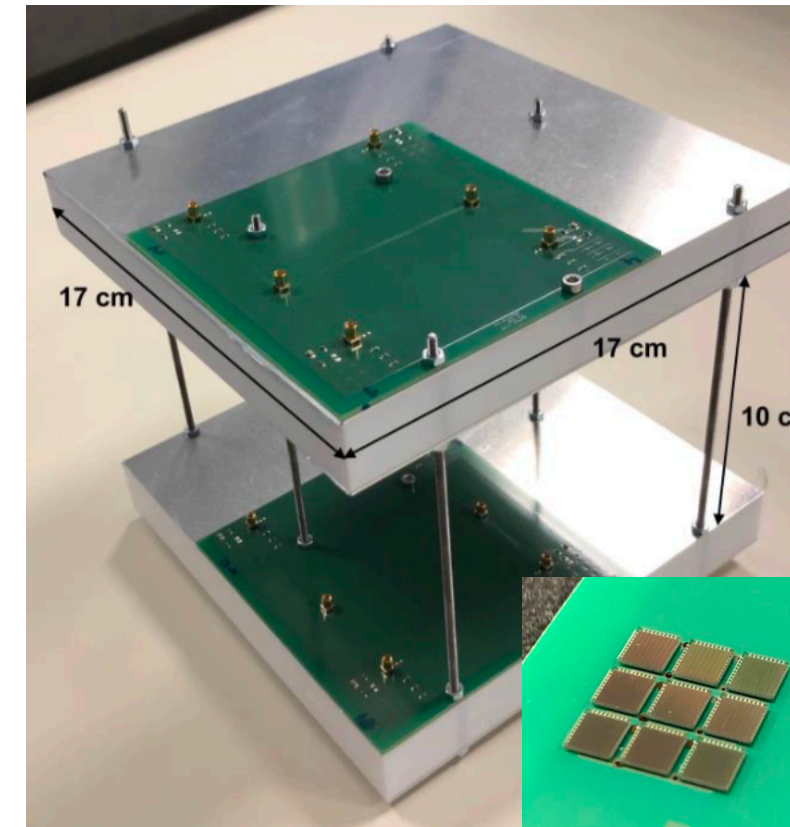
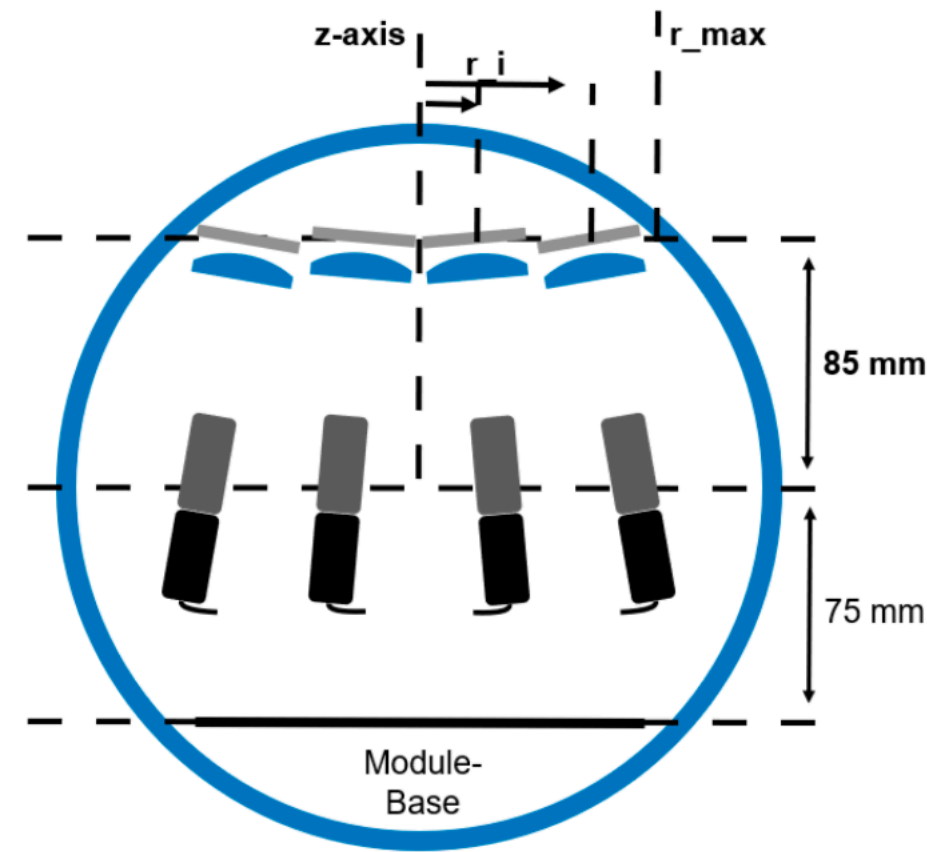
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# STRAWb — The 2nd pathfinder towards P-ONE

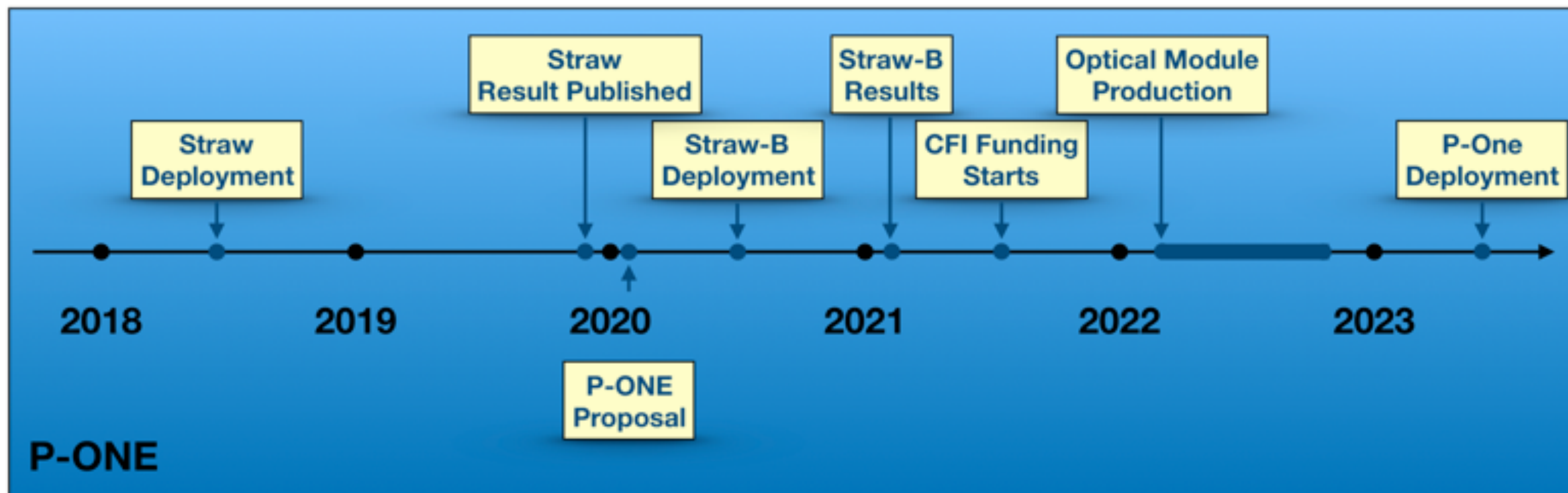
- Calibration — calibration — better calibration
- Background calibration
  - PMT Spectrometer (12 PMTs w. different wavelength filters)
  - Muon spectrometer (SiPMT readout)
- Water properties
  - LiDAR (450nm)
- Standard modules
  - p/T/H and magnetic field sensors for ping signal

**Timeline:**

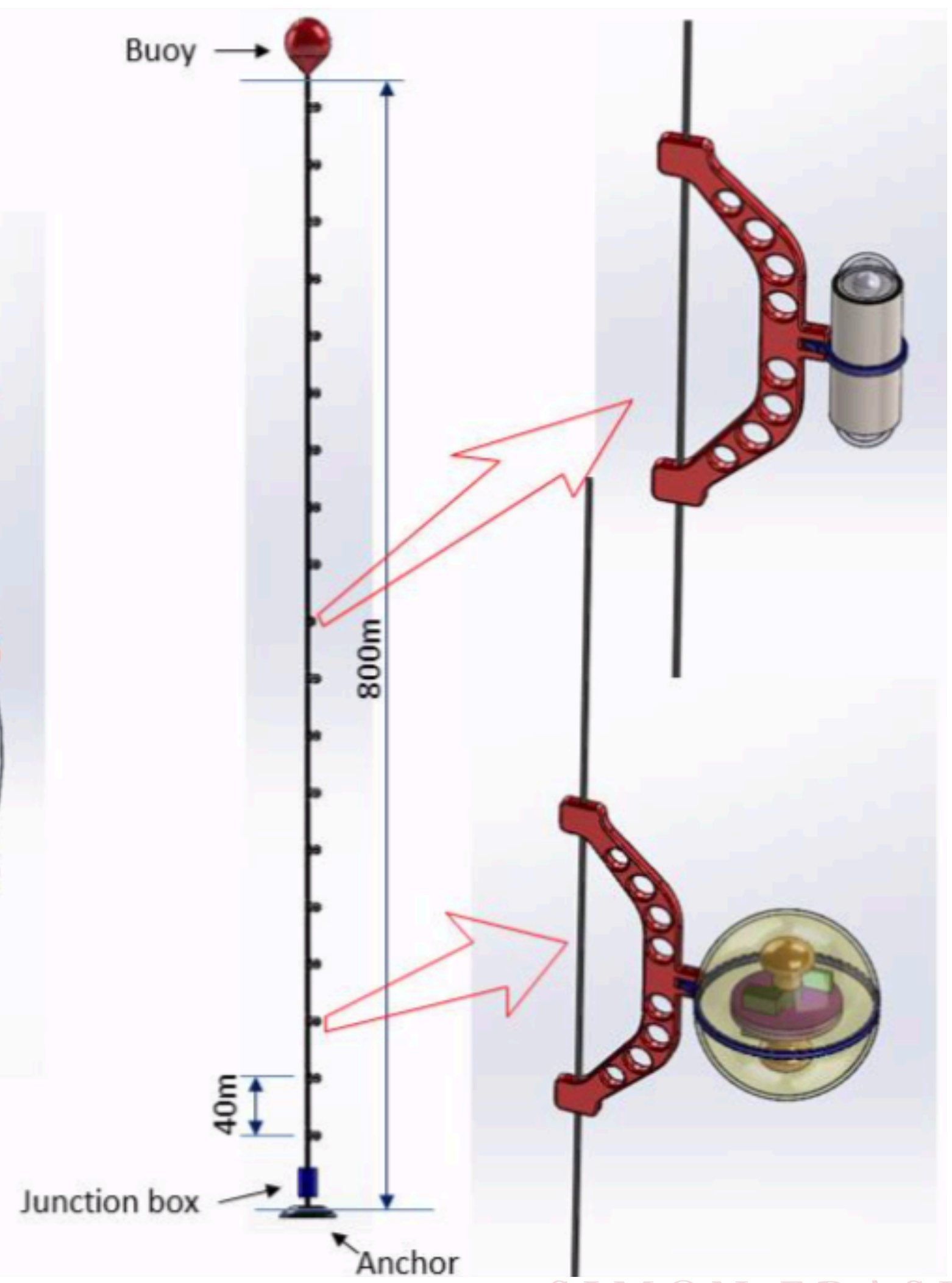
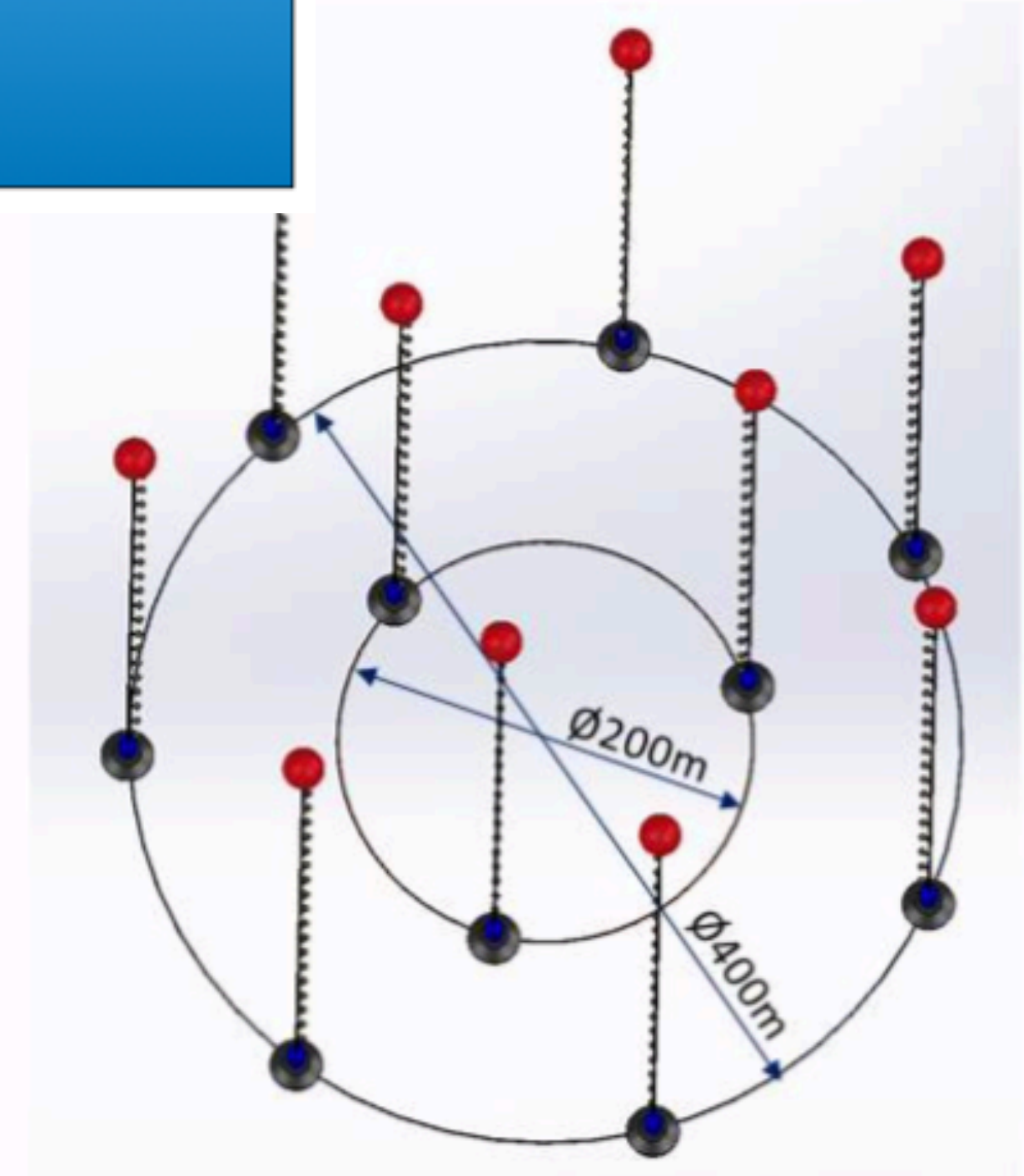
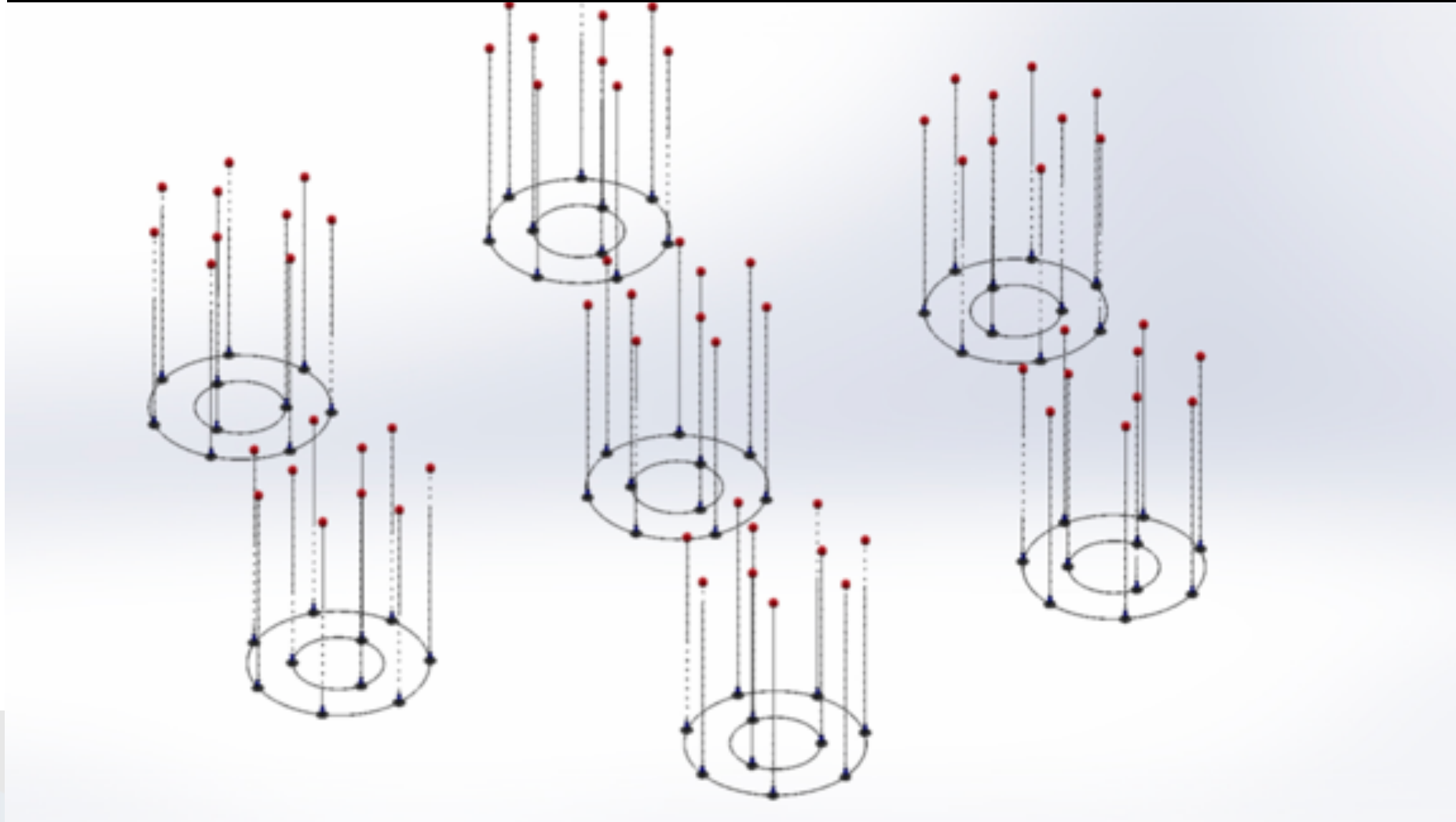
Testing at ONC 2019  
with deployment in  
summer 2020



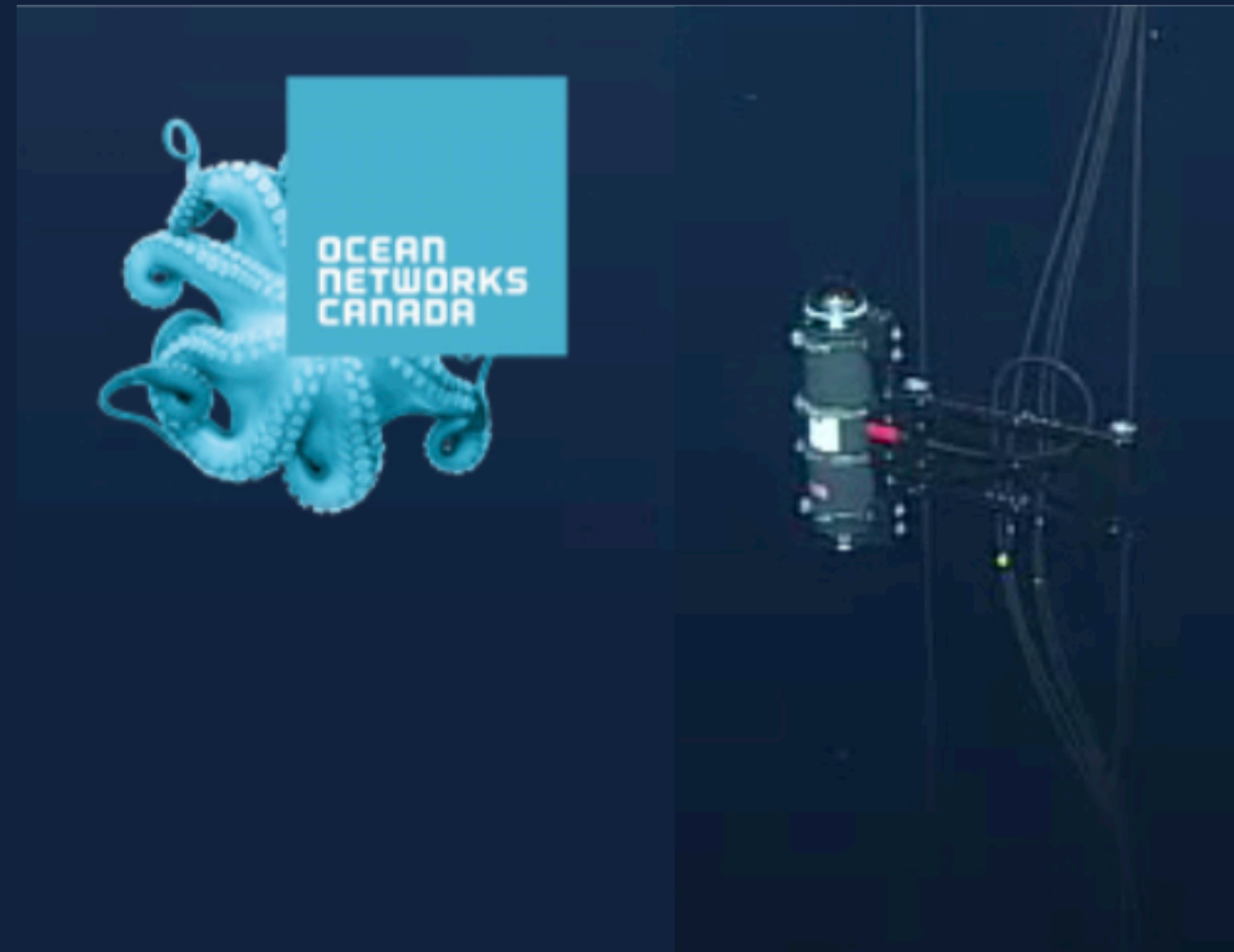
# Pacific Ocean Neutrino Explorer (P-ONE)



Longer term prospective: extend to more 10-strings bundles  
3 x 10-strings bundles: possible within the existing infrastructure



- Unlike IceCube, we can design for service and reconfiguration



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# Why another neutrino telescope?

Neutrino telescopes are discovery oriented instruments in the areas of:

- Astrophysics:
  - high energy ( $>50$  TeV): galactic and extragalactic cosmic accelerators [first association to an extragalactic source by IceCube in 2018];
  - low energy (MeV): neutrinos from core collapse SuperNovae, geoneutrinos;
- Particle Physics:
  - high energy:
    - cosmic rays interaction at energies  $>$  LHC
    - search for exotic particles, beyond the Standard Model complementary to LHC
  - low / intermediate energy: neutrino properties

## *In addition:*

- P-ONE project has large emphasis on collaboration and complementarity with existing efforts such as IceCube, GvD (Baikal), and KM3NeT
- We aim for combined cross-calibration efforts to boost precision of all measurements at all neutrino telescope sites worldwide (POCAM, LiDAR, etc..)

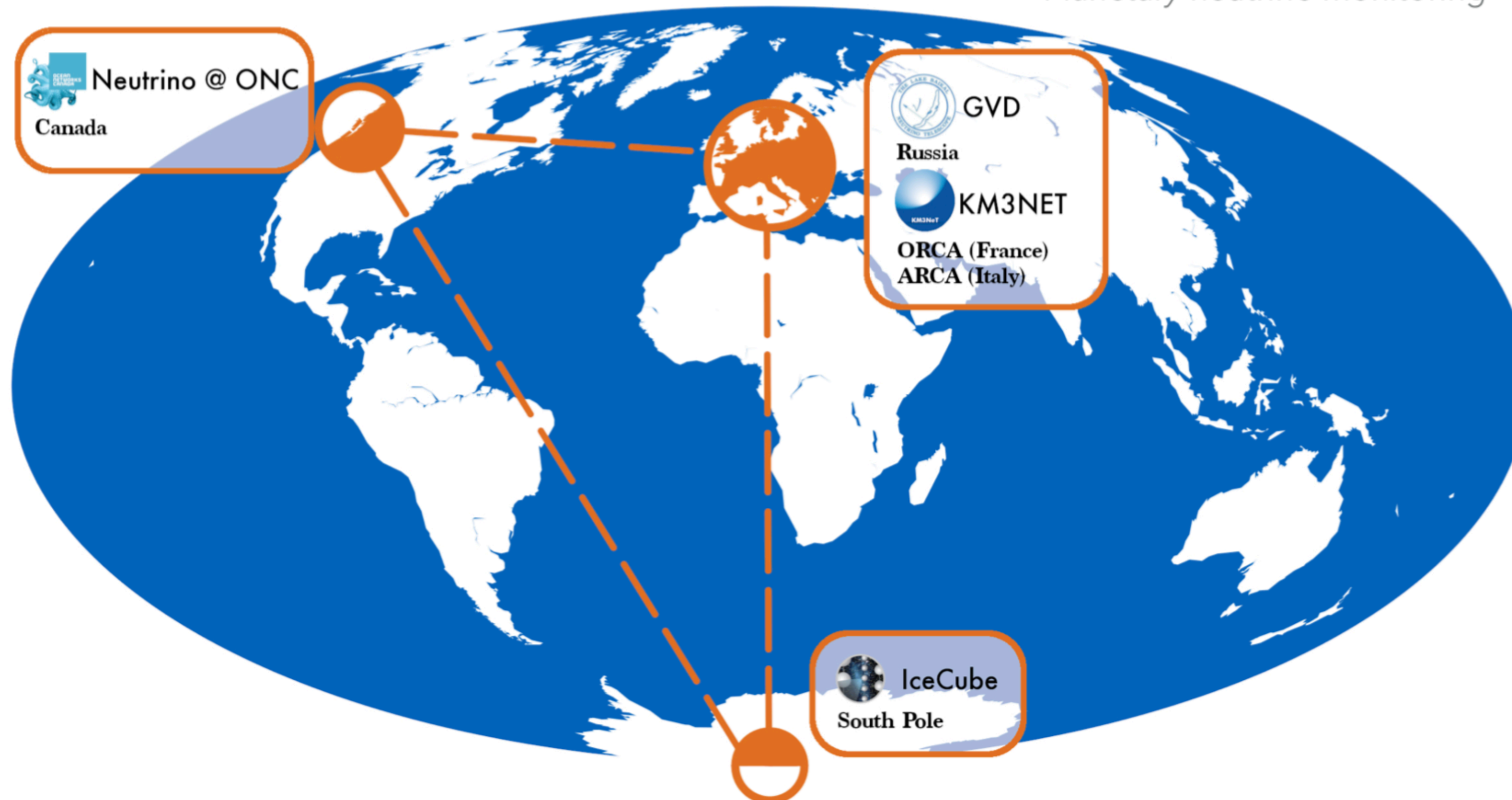


# Why another neutrino telescope?

- Exposure — exposure — exposure
- Connectors — connectors — connectors —> ONC! Overcome difficulties/failures of KM3NET

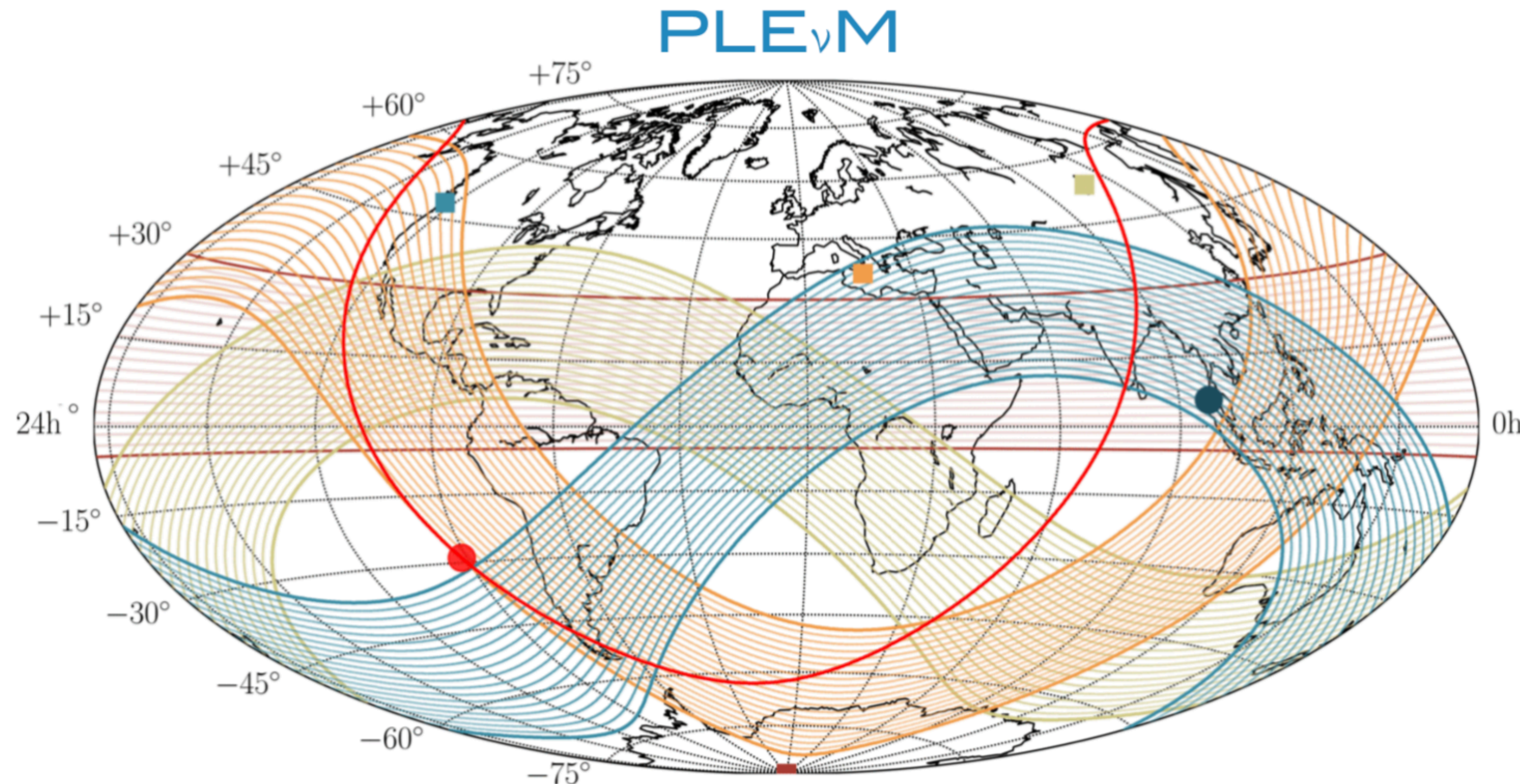
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*\*Planetary neutrino monitoring*



# Why another neutrino telescope?

- Exposure — exposure — exposure
- Horizontal coverage from which HE  $\nu$  will not be affected by the Earth absorption

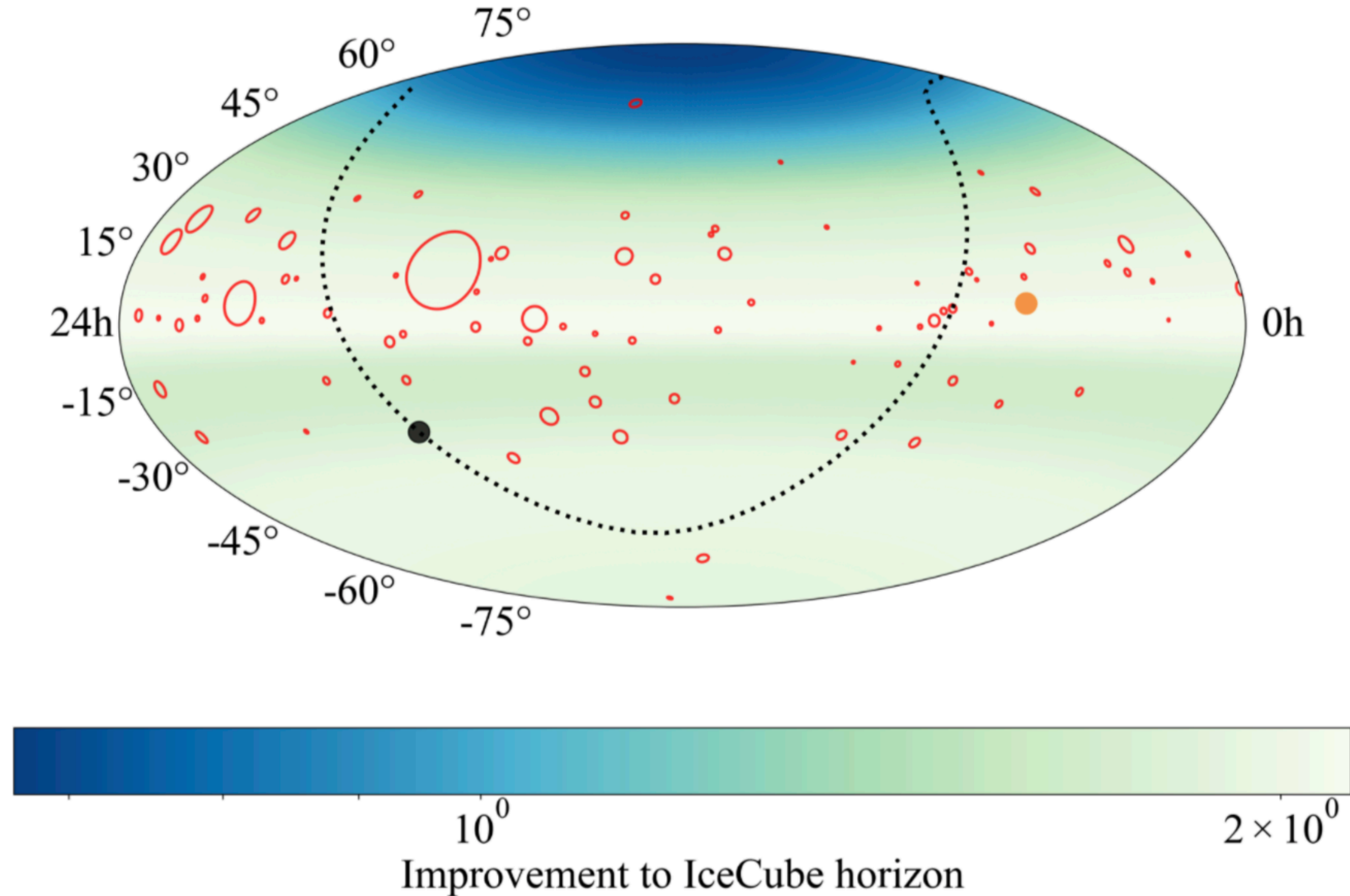


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## ICECUBE & BAIKAL & CAPO PASSERO & OCEAN NETWORK CANADA

### ➔ RELATIVE IMPROVEMENT VS ICECUBE HORIZON BEST SENSITIVITY

- .....●..... Galactic center/plane     ● TXS 0506+056     ○ HE IceCube events



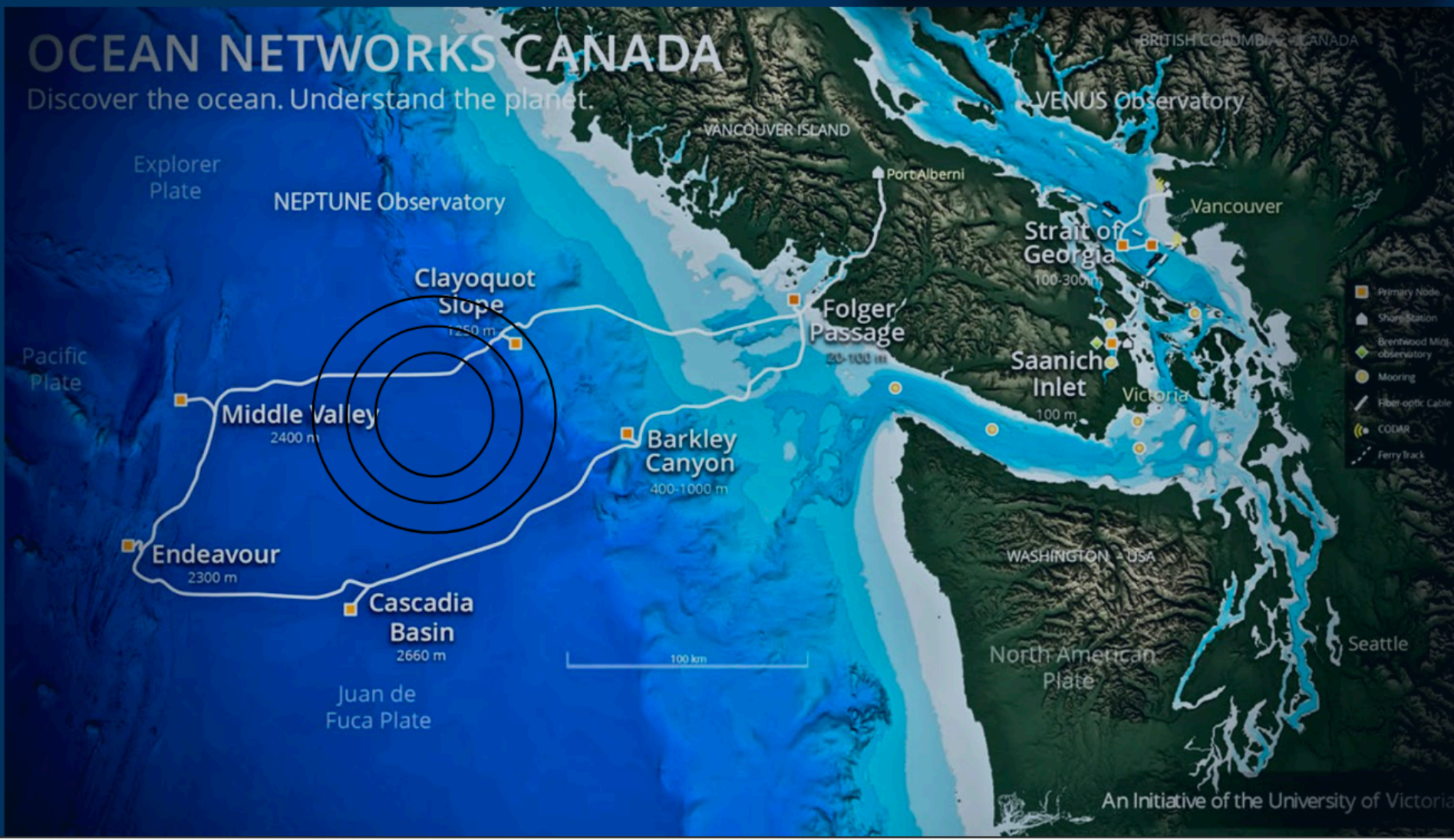

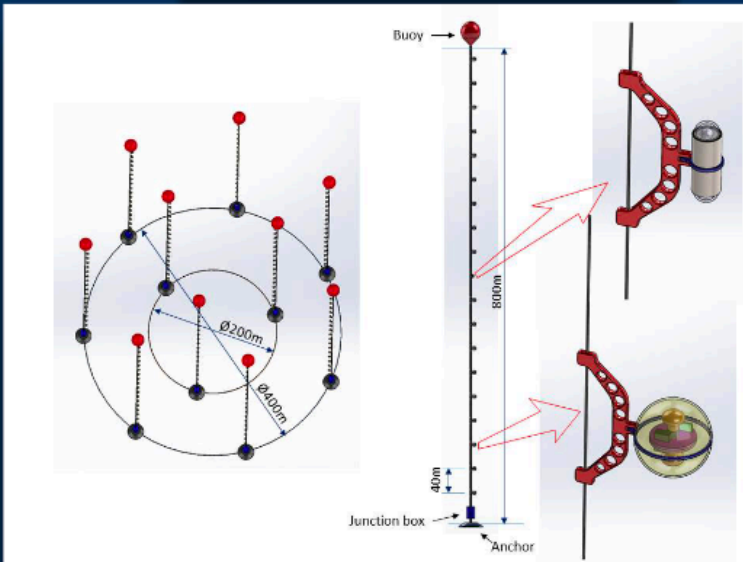
# P-ONE is gaining traction fast!

## ICRC 2019 rapporteur talk by A. Kappes

**Canadian Scientists are proposing to establish a high energy neutrino detector using an existing underwater network off Vancouver Island**

**Pacific Ocean Neutrino Explorer (P-ONE)  
First 10 String Bundle**

10 x 800 metre strings  
20 photosensors



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Discover the ocean. Understand the planet.

VENUS Observatory  
NEPTUNE Observatory  
Clayoquot Slope  
Middle Valley  
Endeavour  
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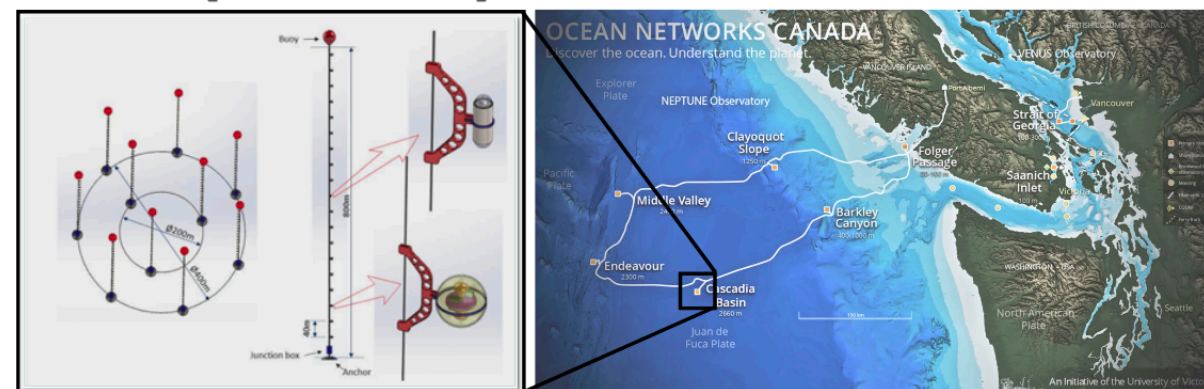
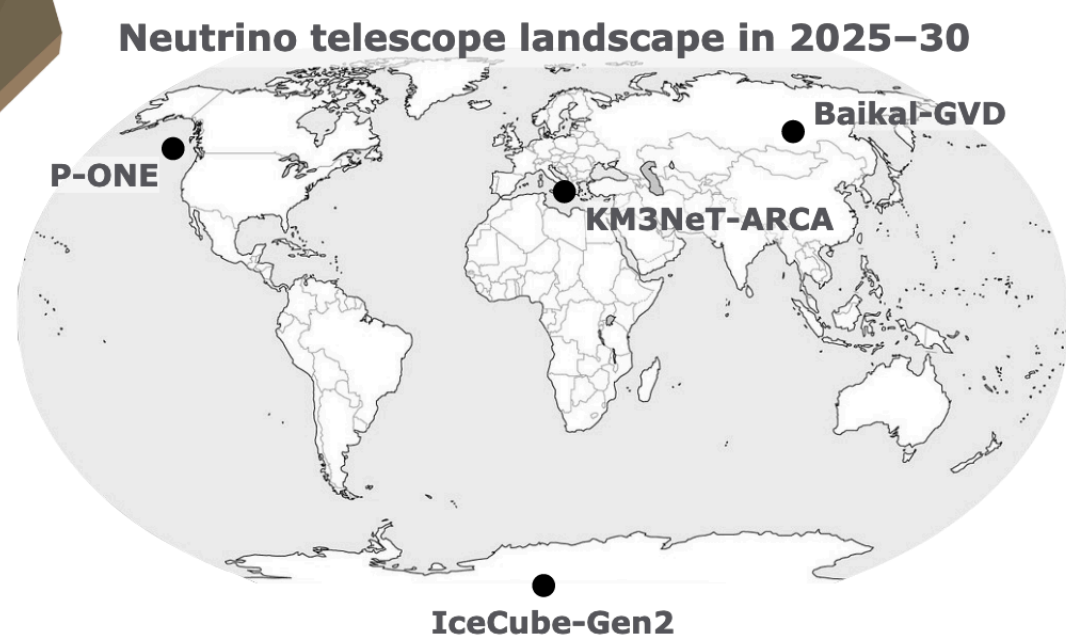
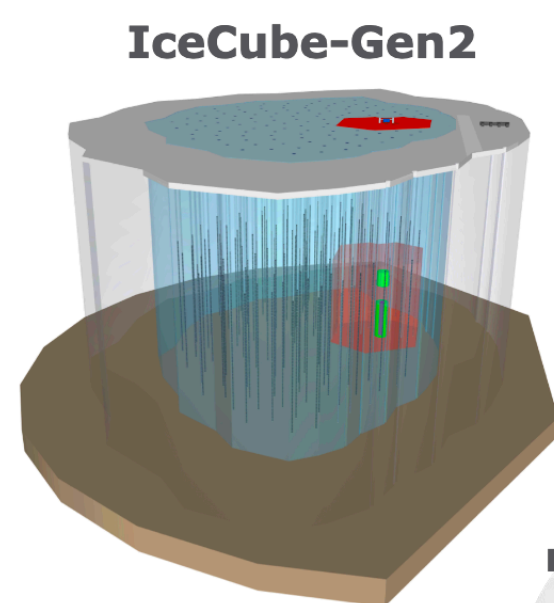
Explorers Plate  
Pacific Plate  
North American Plate  
WASHINGTON USA  
VANCOUVER ISLAND  
Port Alberni

100 km

An Initiative of the University of Victoria

### Future neutrino telescopes

### P-ONE (E. Resconi) — New kid on the block



- In conceptual phase
- Up to 500 strings optimized for horizontal HE muon tracks
- STRAW pathfinder mission successfully operating (PoS(ICRC2019)890)

Alexander Kappes, ICRC'19, Madison, Aug 1, 2019

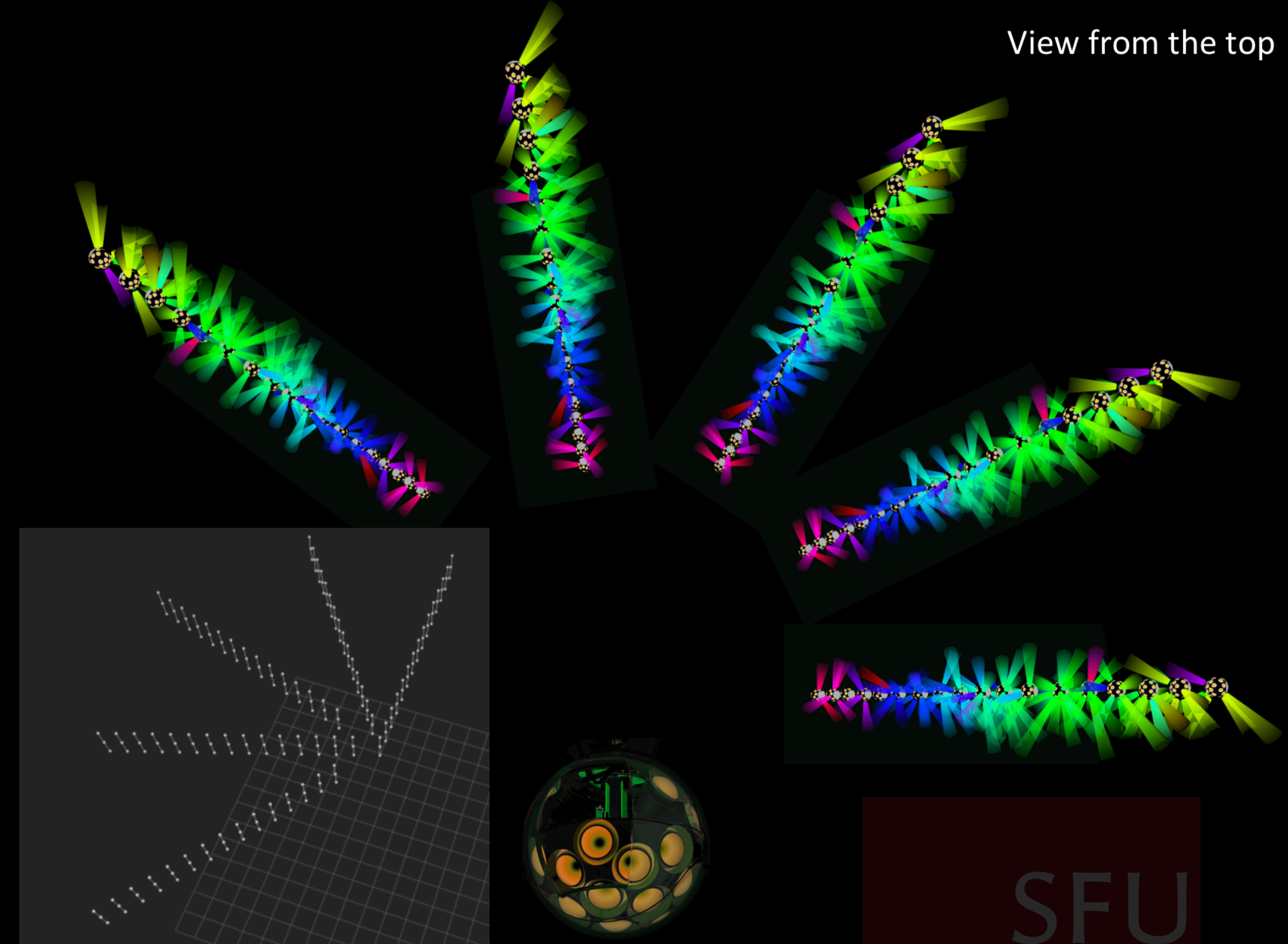
## Lepton-Photon 2019 talk by Art McDonald



Pacific Ocean Neutrino Explorer

P-ONE

- Why are we here?
  - Because ONC is opening new exciting opportunities (10y experience deep sea operation/ deployment, infrastructure, deployment is fast and reliable with minimal overhead)
- What have we been able to achieve so far?
  - A new interdisciplinary international collaboration
  - Successful deployment of STRAW —> first results
- What comes next?
  - Complete the qualification of the deep sea site
  - Design 10-string bundle (we have a baseline, but dreaming is allowed)
  - Secure funds for it!
- Why another neutrino telescope?
  - Exposure-exposure-exposure



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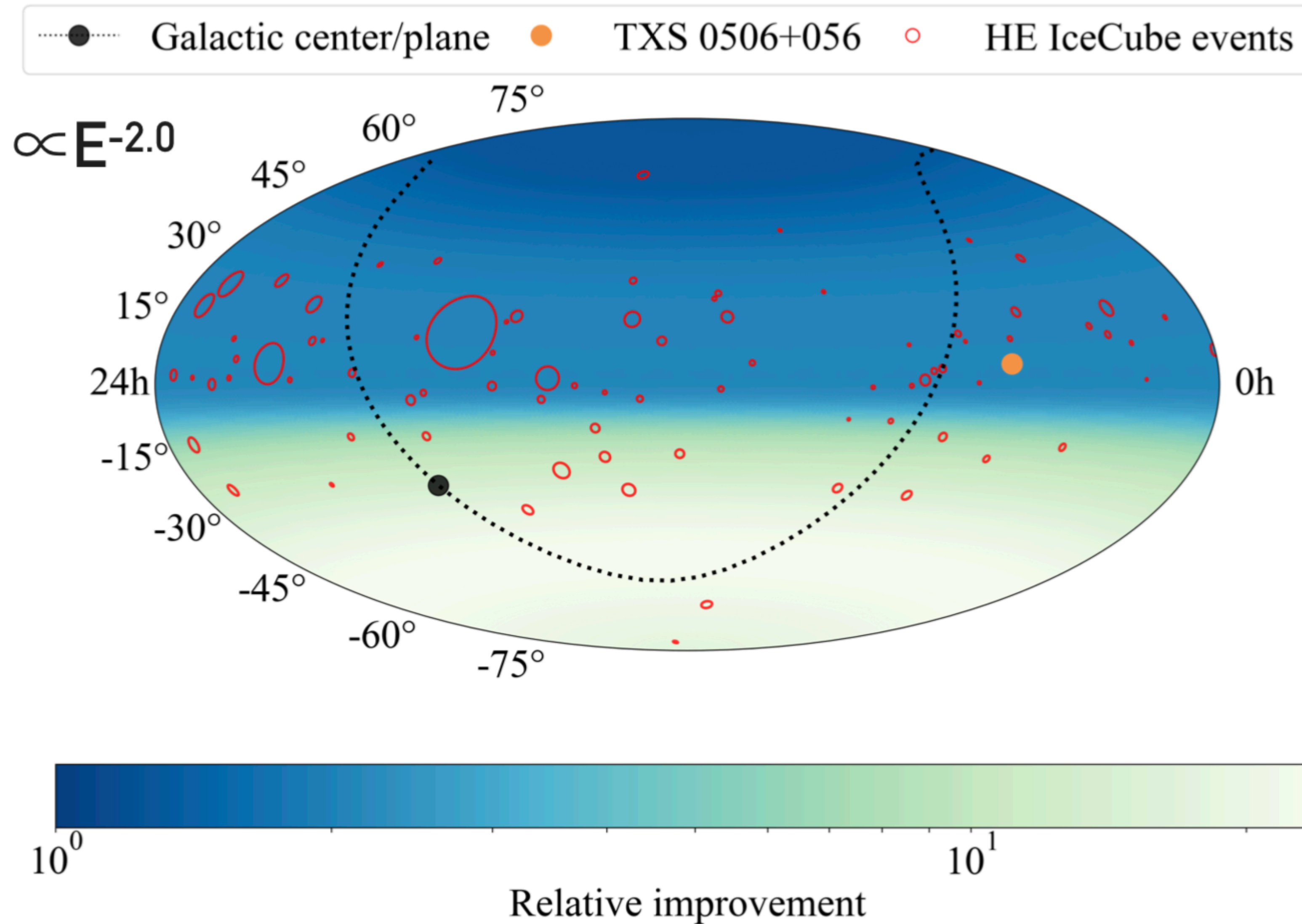


- Calibration and testing of components (in-lab and in-situ)
- Commissioning, Construction & Deployment (DOMs contributed from international partners)
- Simulation, Reconstruction & Data analysis
- In-situ trigger system (Hardware & Software)
  - Highly efficient in its data transmission and bandwidth requirements (less optical fibre cables —> significantly cheaper \$\$)

# Additional Material

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➔ RELATIVE IMPROVEMENT VS ICECUBE ALL SKY

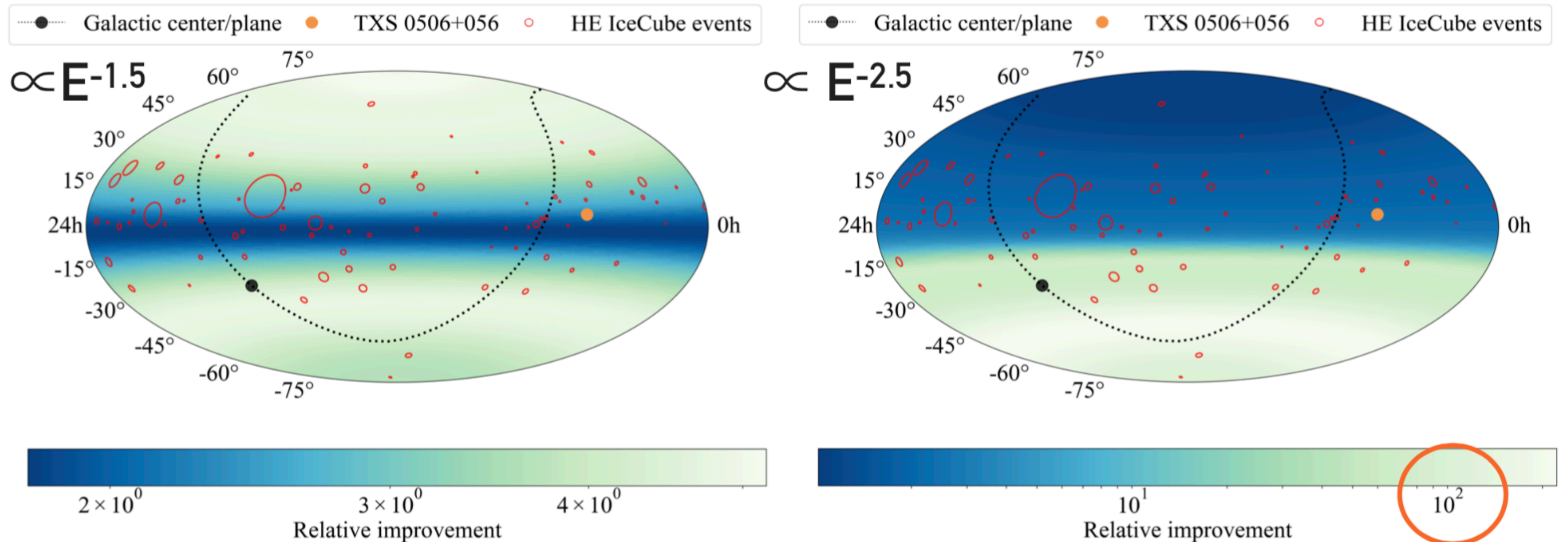




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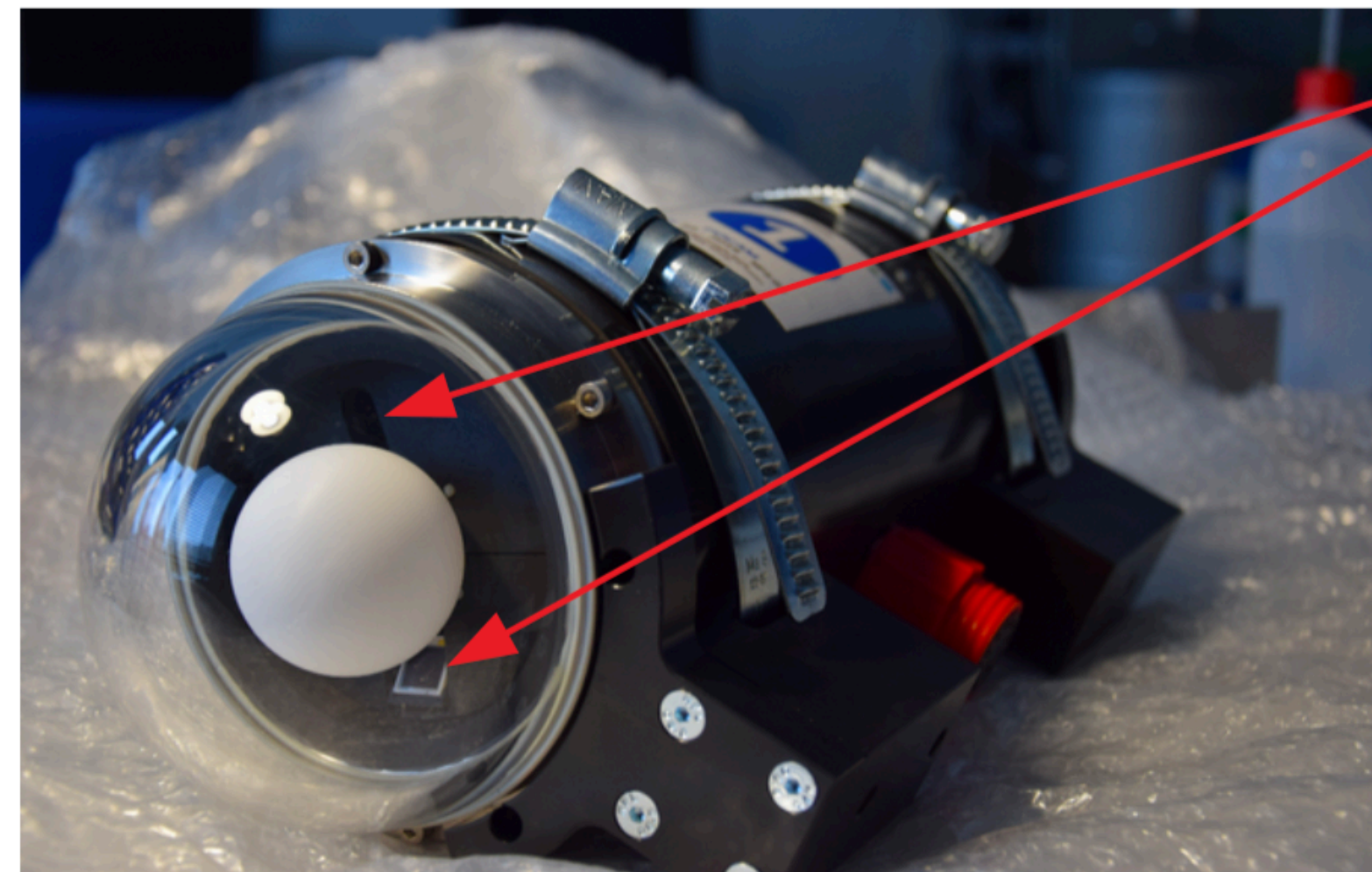
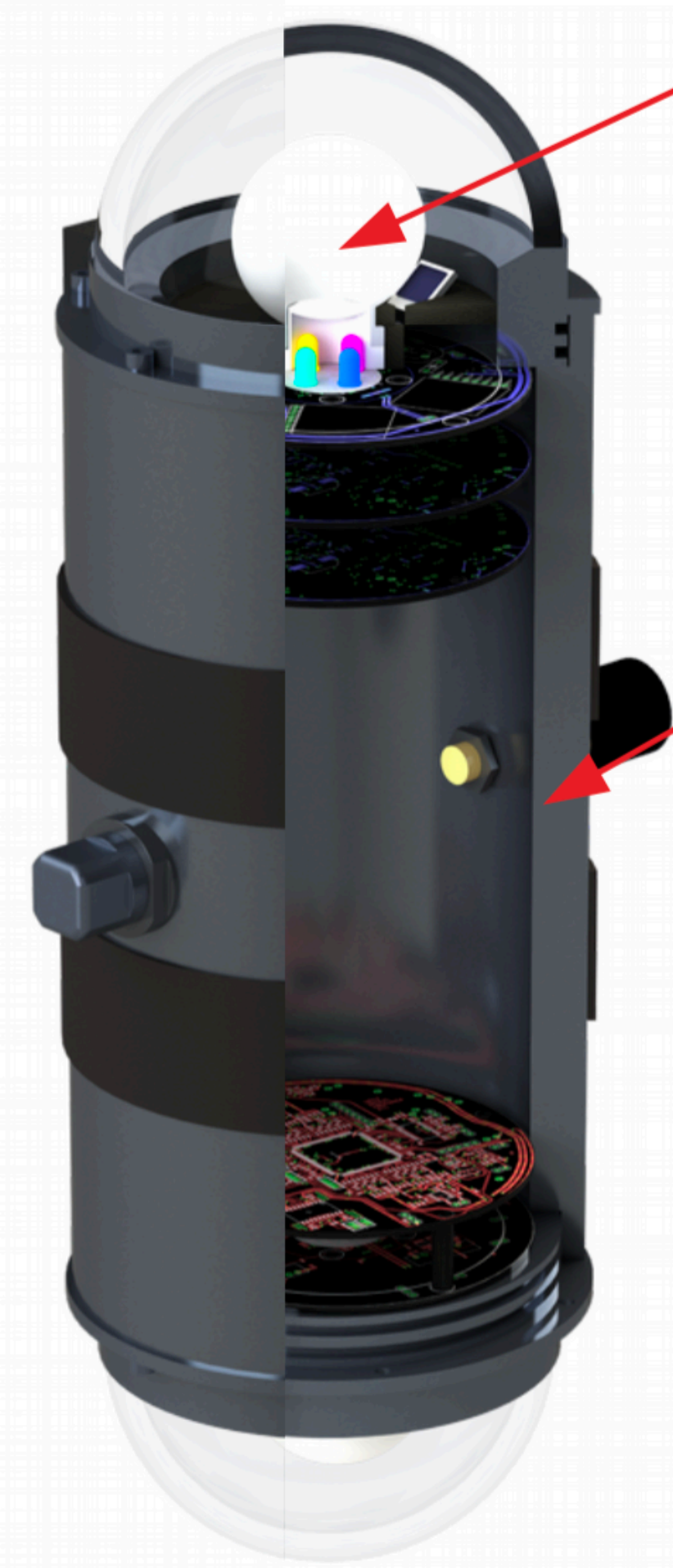
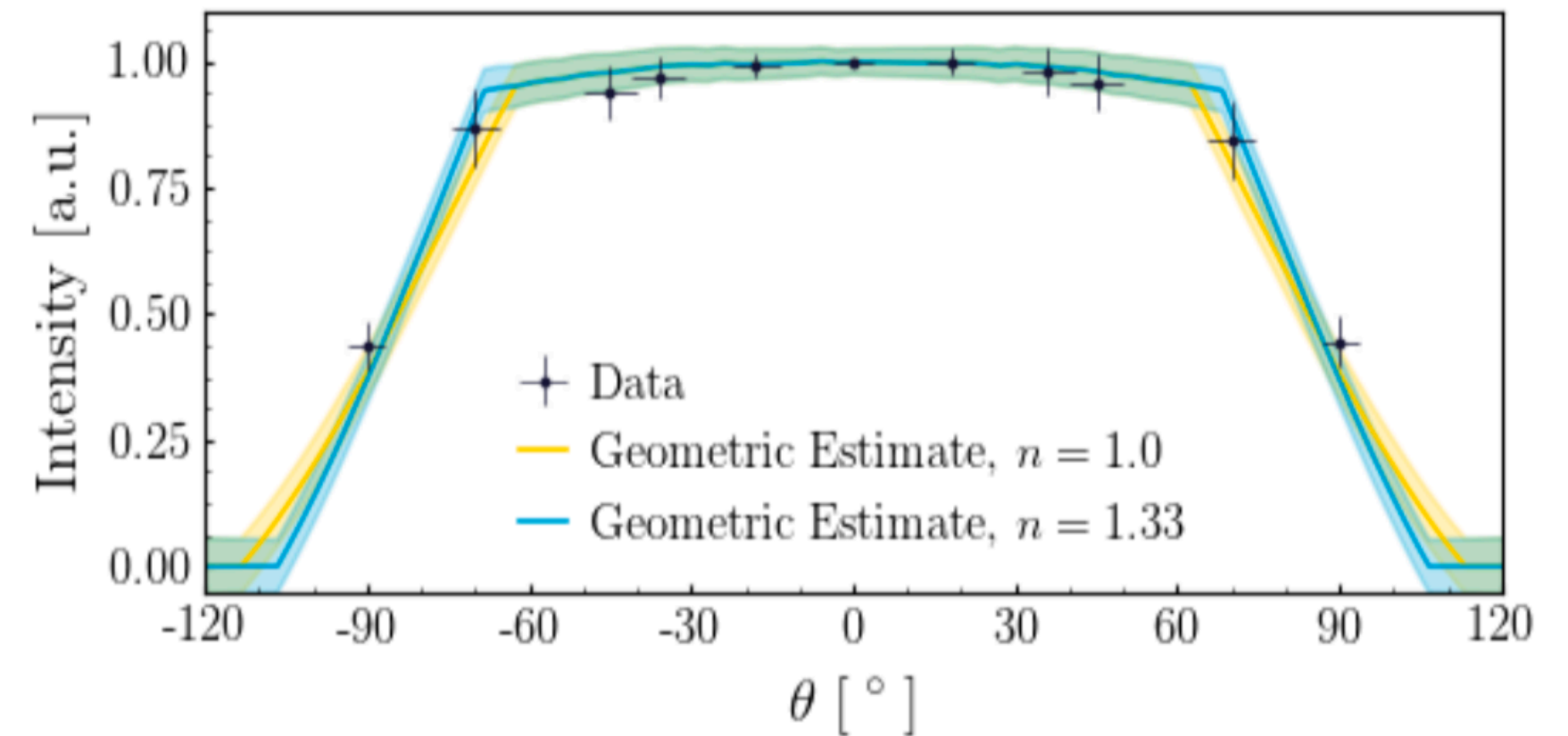


- Precision Optical Calibration Module

- Create isotropic light flash using a PTFE integrating sphere

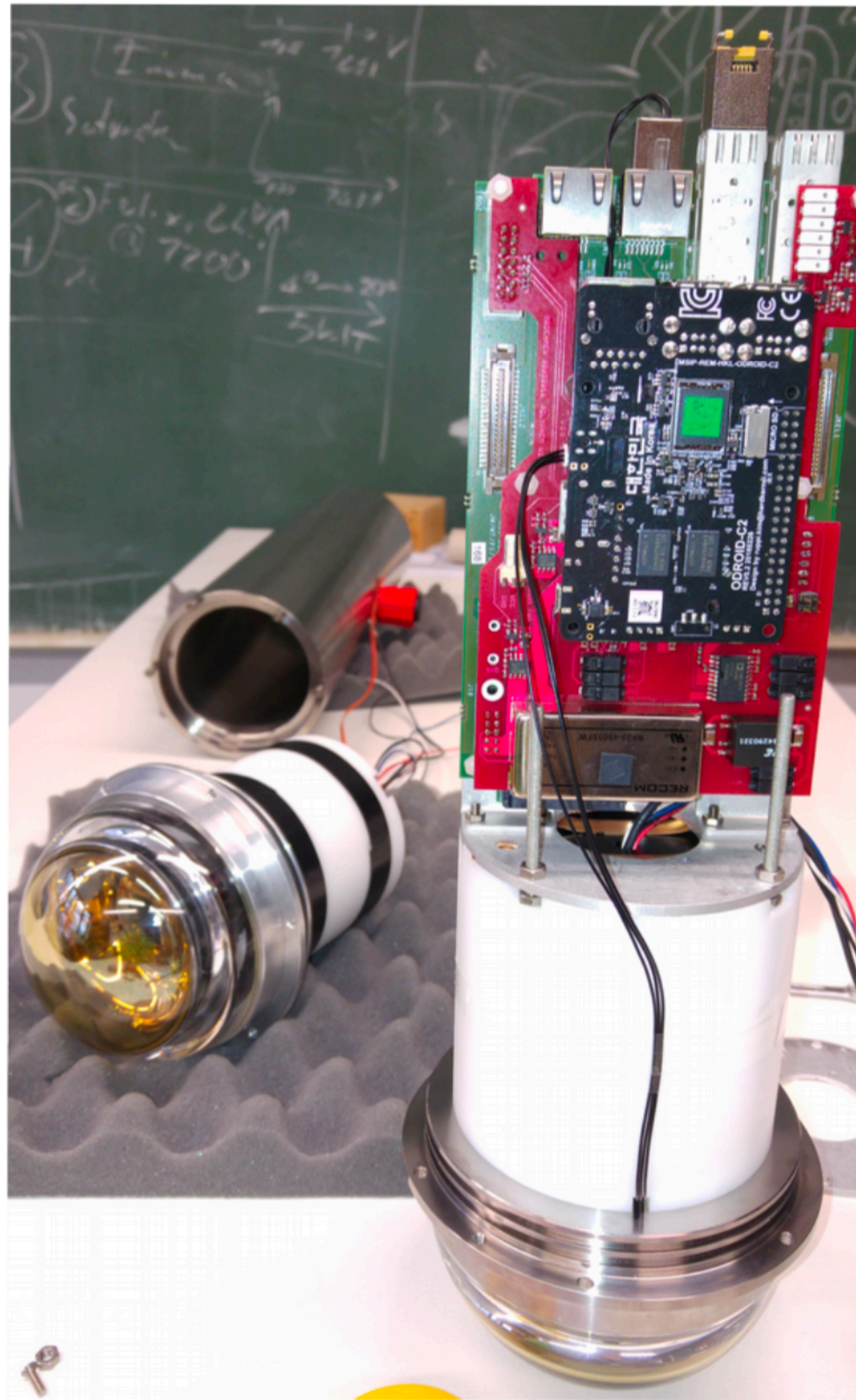
- Intensity adjustable over at least 2 orders of magnitude
- PTFE is Lambertian reflector
- High reflection across broad wavelength range
- Spherical integration isotropy

- Titanium housing designed for 1400 bar

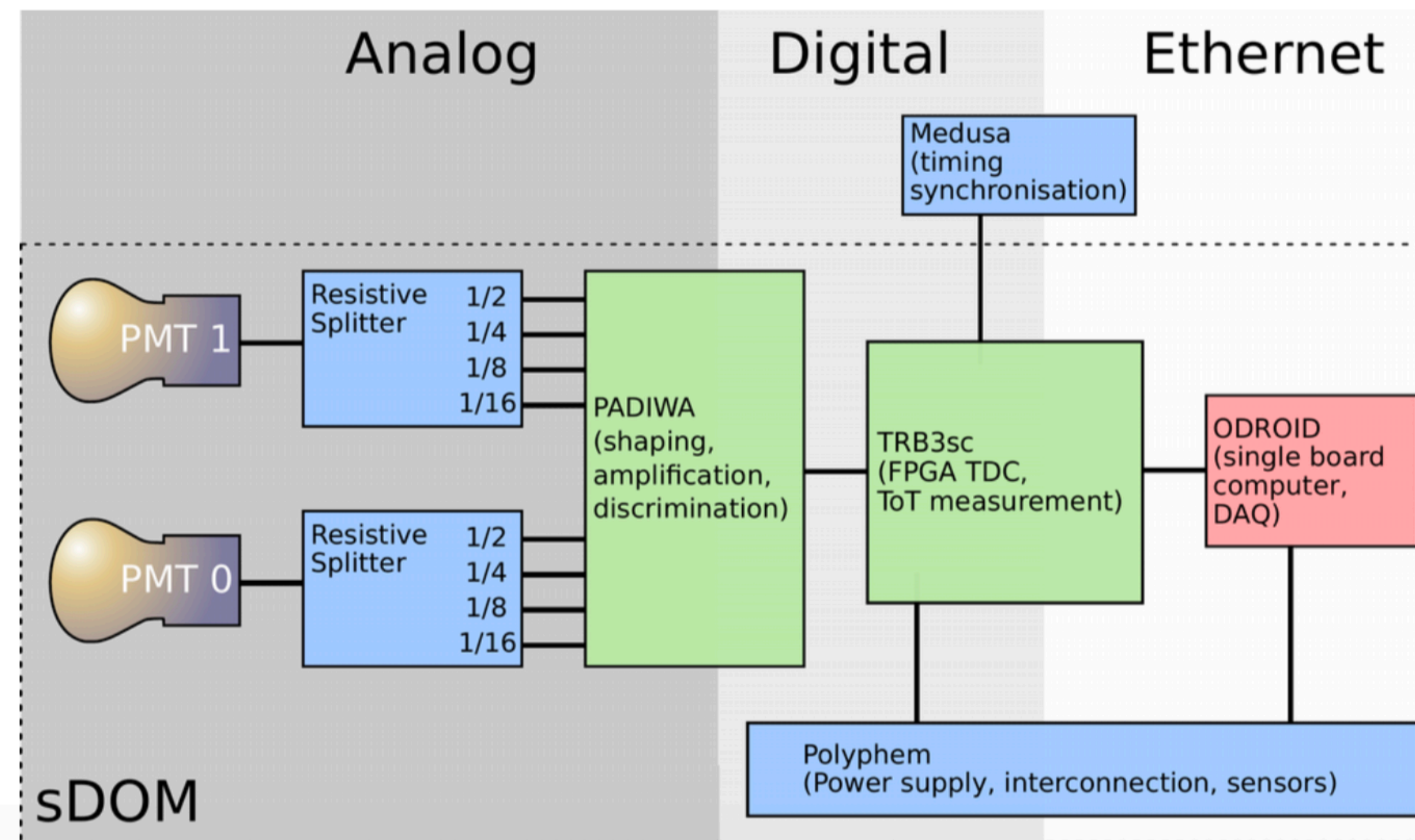
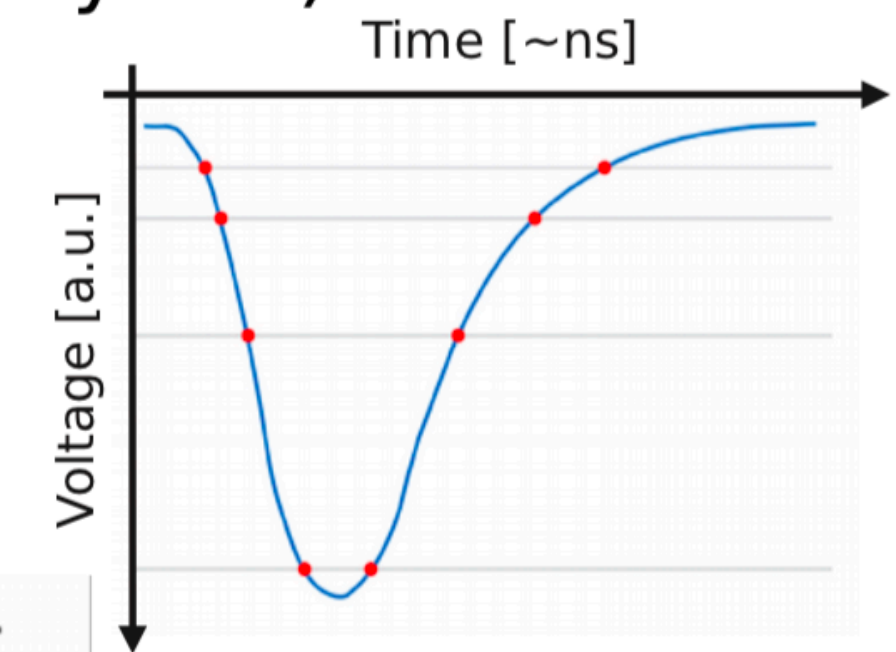


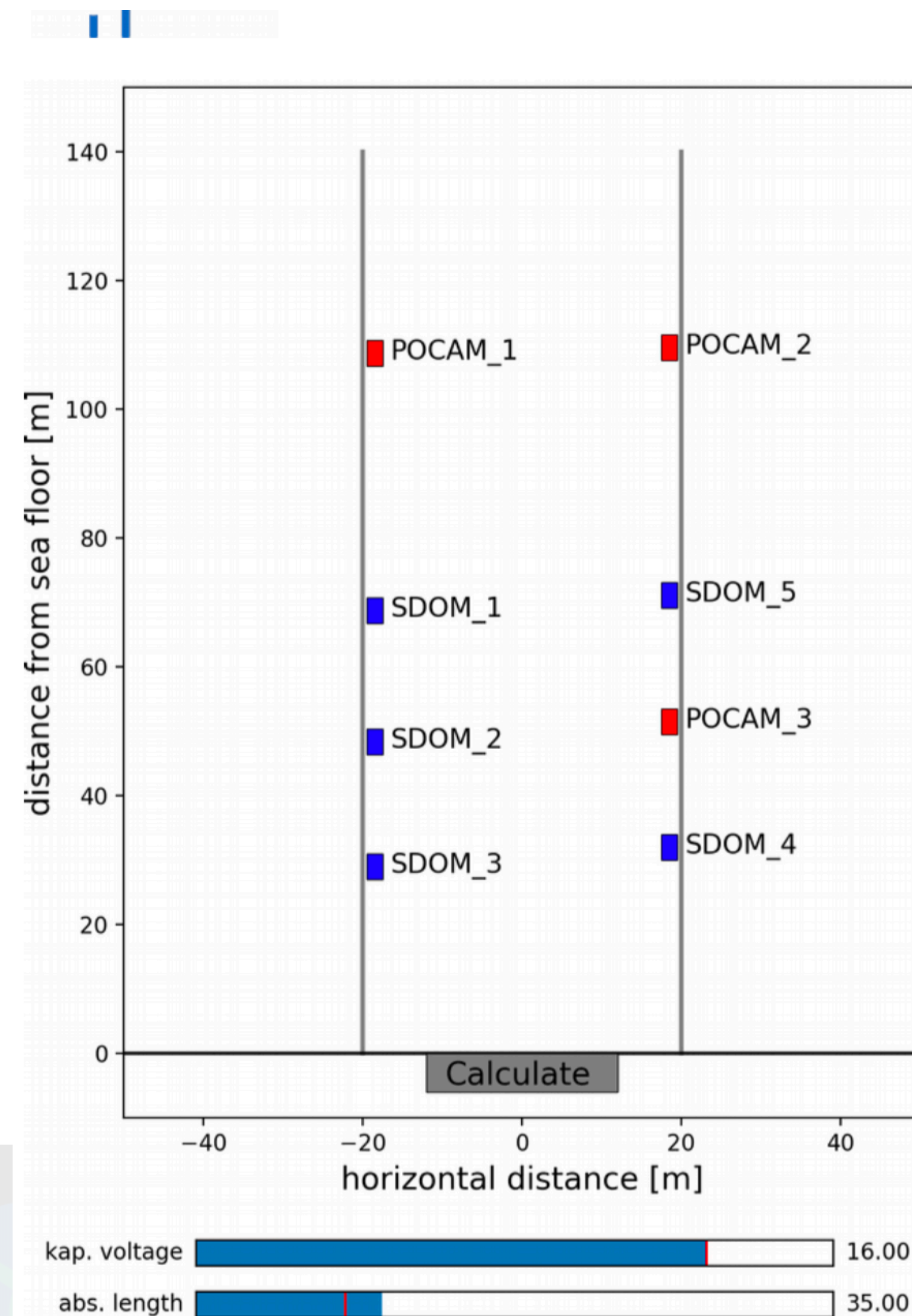
- Use internal photosensors for self-calibration

- SiPM and Photodiode for high dynamic range
- Multi-wavelength emission for spectral studies
- 365, 405, 465, 525, 605nm



- Two 3" PMTs (Hamamatsu R12199)
- Readout with TRB3 and PaDiWa (TDC designed by GSI) <http://trb.gsi.de/>
- 4 channels per PMT →
- Control via Ethernet and single board computer Odroid C2





## Model has the following parameters:

### POCAM:

- Calibration error 1x per POCAM (+/- 3%)
- Global calibration error (+/- 3%)

### sDOM:

- QE/PDE error per 1x per sDOM (+/- 10%)
- QE global (~25%)
- Threshold efficiency (~80%)

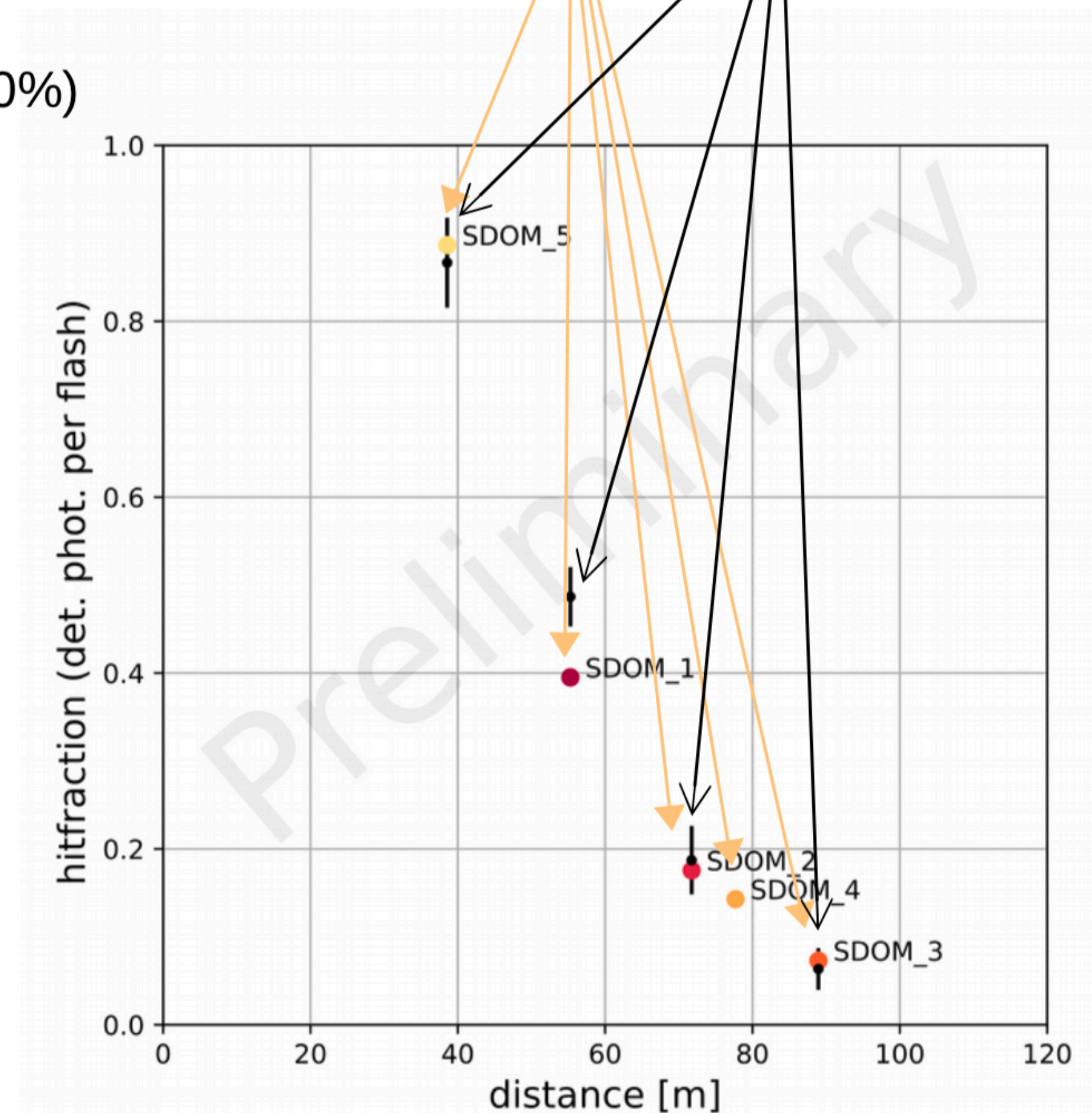
### STRAW:

- **attenuation length**
- y offset (+- 2m)

Fit 365 nm, 405 nm and 465 nm simultaneously

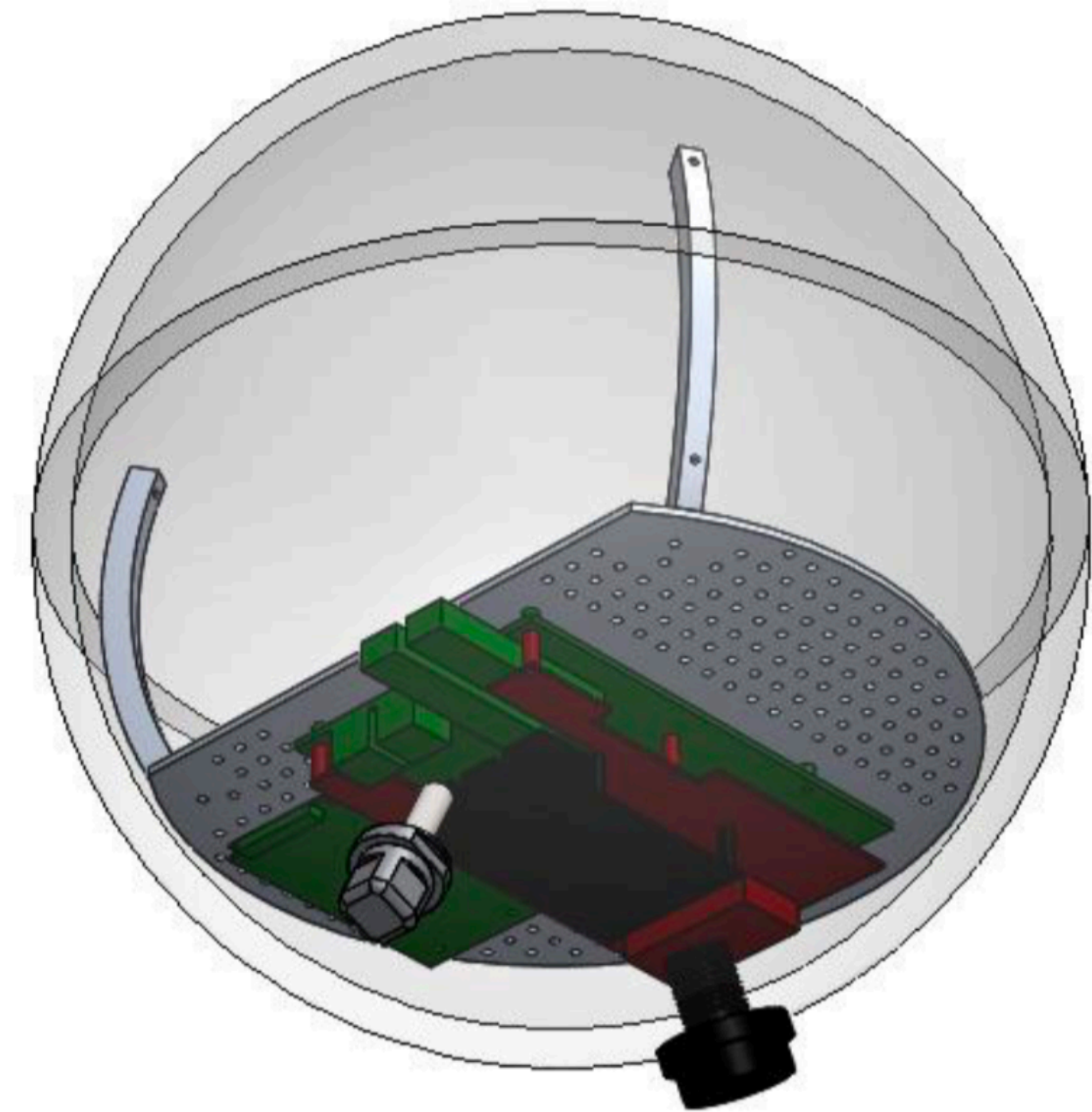
- **MCMC sampling using emcee**  
<http://dfm.io/emcee/current/>

## Comparing model to data



## Standard Modules

- Check positions of mooring line
- p/T/H and magnetic field sensors for ping signal
- 48V (DC) and Ethernet connection
- Read-out electronic from sDOM
- Basically two categories of modules
  - Standard Modules
  - Specialised Modules



## OK, where are we and where are we going soon with neutrinos?

At lower energies (<TeV) we have found neutrino oscillations and mass and much more about neutrinos... amazing experimental results

- ~ lifetime, they make it from distant objects at  $\sim c$
- ~ standard model cross sections, but  $>EeV$  quite uncertain
- ~ 3 families and weak hints of more (revolution if so)
- ~ mixing angles curiously larger than for quarks, forget Cabibbo
- ~ mass trending towards  $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$  as with quarks, but why?
- ~ unclear about CP violation (but really so what, RH nus?)
- ~ some peculiarities in nuclear reactor nu expts (RNA and 5 MeV bump)
- ~ solar models and atm nu fluxes  $\sim$  OK (to 15% or so!)
- ~ no observation of expected Direct Production (OK?)

And still no theory guidance from a grand scale GUT

Still we know very little more about cosmic rays and sources  $> PeV$



## Review of opportunities for natural neutrinos by energy:

- **Big Bang Relics**: No good ideas out there... biggest challenge, only indirect inferences
- **Pre-white dwarves**: Dominant radiation in neutrinos but keV energies, no flux calcs
- **<MeV Geo neutrinos**: particularly K40, important challenge
- **Relic SN Neutrinos**: in few MeV range, maybe in reach of HyperK
- **Galactic SN**: 10's of MeV... few/century, could be any time
- **Atmospheric Neutrinos**: 100 MeV to >TeV, continue to be a gold mine for nu properties
- **Few TeV from mostly galactic sources**: IceCube now, others follow
- **<100 TeV astro nus**: could yield wonderful surprises, IC in progress
- **1-10PeV**: as now seen in IC: the promised land and probably most fruitful in ~10 yrs
- **Glashow ~6.4 PeV and Double Bang**: astro nu flavors coming, slowly
- **EeV**: Where are the BZ neutrinos?
- **And what are those ANITA events?** This is indeed *terra incognita*



## Some Advice for Ocean Neutrino Hunters

some controversial from jgl experiences (random order)

- First off plan to test, test, test and in-ocean!
- Connectors are the bane of our experiments... source of most failures.
- Experienced Physicists should be overall involved in the design details, not handing over to engineers.
- Avoid review committees without ocean experience!
- Unlike IceCube, design for service and reconfiguration.
- Buy all possible components, from proven mfrs.
- Reprogrammable software in ocean.
- More than one data link to shore, no single point fail.
- In the past, large stupid light collectors always won. Now?
- Beware stored charge in HV ocean cables... Total power an issue.
- Neutrino induced showers, not muons, are your future.
- Work on shower directionality reconstruction to go beyond IC.
- Plan for eventual ~10 KM<sup>3</sup>

