Activity: MELLEN + RMD

- complete ICP-MS measurements on samples: Nal-37 powder; Nal-37 tip and tail (LSC+LNGS); Nal-38 (powder+tip+tail); new "large" crystal powder and tip/tail
 - timeline: between march-april
- Test for teflon reflectivity: <u>timeline</u>: april-may
- "large" crystal to be grown at RMD from 10kg of powder: timeline april-may
 - · This crystal offers a back up solution in case ZR will not work as expected
- test crystal grown from chunks at RMD: <u>timeline</u> april-may
 - This is critical for testing the RMD capability to perform growth after ZR
- test zone refining at MELLEN: <u>timeline</u> april-may
- · transfer zone refiner to RMD: timeline may
- Start activity at RMD with goal to deliver a crystal end of summer early fall

Costs involved

- An order of about 20k€ has been submitted to MELLEN in 2022 to make the refurbishment of the zone refiner
 - An upgrade is expected due to: 1) increase of costs for electronics; 2) more upgrades to improve safety in handling the equipment
- An order of about 40k€ (+IVA to be paid in Italy) has been submitted to RMD to start activity on zone refining
 - This includes: manpower, space preparation at RMD, initial tests
- More costs to be expected to complete the work till the end of 2023
 - Agreed contribution from SABRE South of order 60k€