

# Commissione Scientifica Nazionale 2 Fisica Astroparticellare

OGGI

4 linee scientifiche



## JEM-EUSO Program

Extreme Universe Space Observatory

<https://jemeuso.org>

**LINEA 2:** Radiazione dall'Universo  
(raggi cosmici, neutrini, fotoni)

**SPB2, AUGER, CTA, KM3**

**LINEA 1:** Fisica del Neutrino  
(masse, oscillazioni,  $\beta\beta$ , etc.)

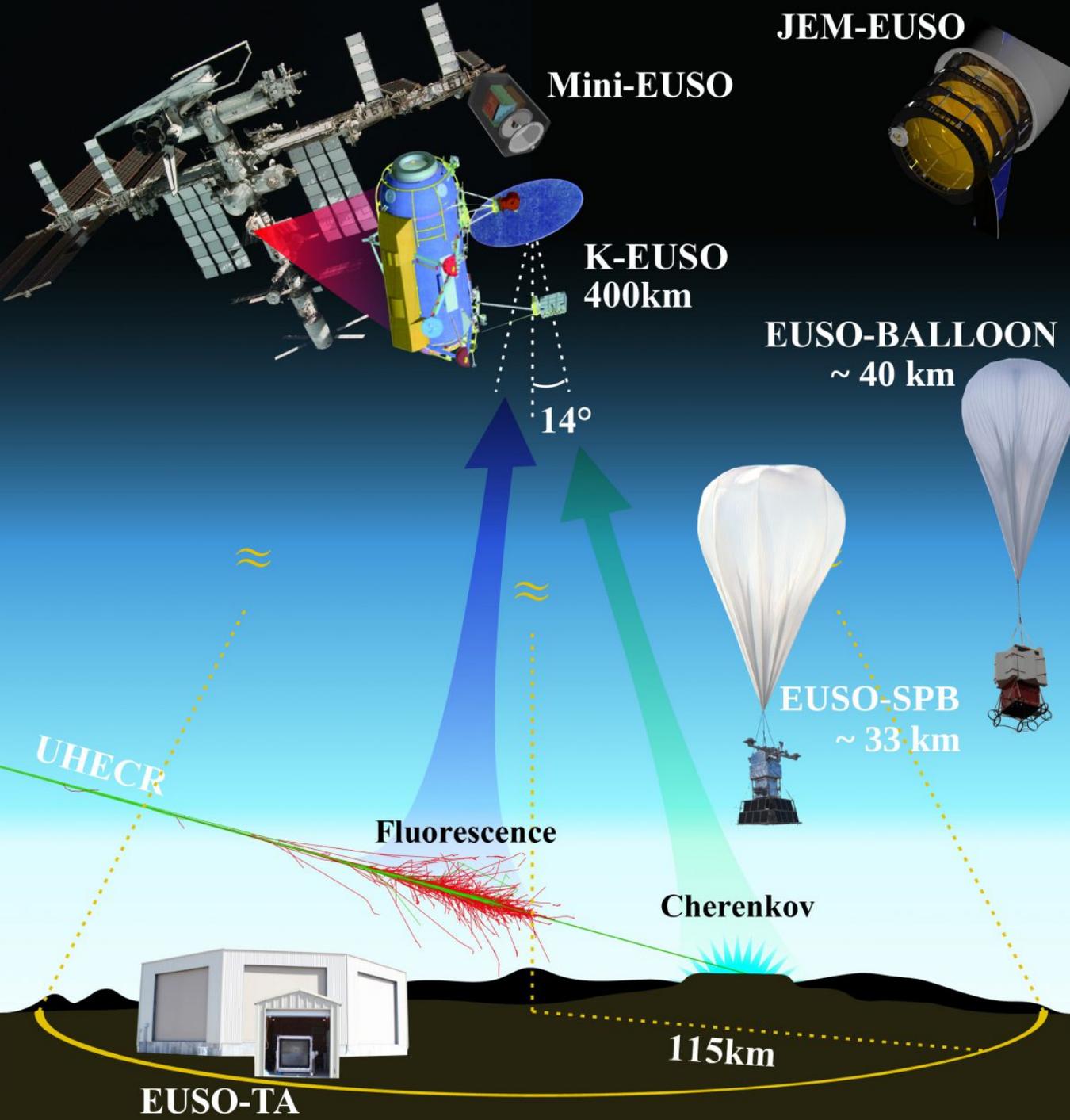
**ICARUS, JUNO**



**LINEA 3:** L'Universo Oscuro  
(materia oscura e energia oscura)

**DARKSIDE**

**LINEA 4:** Onde gravitazionali, Fisica Generale e Quantistica



## Attività SPB2 (Super Pressure Balloon 2)



**Proposta di partecipazione italiana  
alla missione NASA SPB2  
Super Pressure Balloon-2**



### Il Gruppo Italiano proponente

Torino Univ. e INFN (M. Bertaina)  
 Roma Tor Vergata Univ. e INFN (M. Casolino)  
 INFN Laboratori Nazionali Frascati (M. Ricci)  
 Napoli Univ. e INFN (G. Osteria)  
 Bari Univ. e INFN (F. Cafagna)  
 Catania Univ. e INFN + gruppo assoc. INAF Palermo (R. Caruso)

### La Collaborazione Internazionale

USA e NASA (MSFC)  
 Francia  
 Giappone  
 Polonia  
 Russia  
 Svezia  
 Slovacchia





## EUSO-SPB2

Extreme Universe Space Observatory  
on NASA Super Pressure Balloon

**CT = Cherenkov Telescope**  
**FT = Fluorescence Telescope**



Altitude of ~ 33km,  
from Wanaka, Nuova Zelanda  
around the Southern Ocean

EUSO-SPB2 objectives:

1. FT observe **1<sup>st</sup> Extensive Air Showers with fluorescence** from sub-orbital space;
2. CT observe **Cherenkov light from Extensive Air Showers** initiated by cosmic rays;
3. CT measure the **background for the detection of neutrino** induced upward going air showers
4. CT **search for neutrinos from astrophysical transient** events (binary neutron star mergers...)

# Lancio di SPB2 – 13 maggio 2023

Base NASA-CSBF (Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility) @ Wanaka – Nuova Zelanda in grado di raggiungere 30 km s.lm. e 100 giorni di durata

durata effettiva 36 ore!!





Agenzia Spaziale Italiana

**ACCORDO ATTUATIVO N. 2021-8-HH.0**

**DELLA CONVENZIONE QUADRO N. 2016-4-Q.0**

**Codice Unico di Progetto (CUP) F15F21000140005**

PER

**NOTA: IN ESSERE dal 27/04/2021 fino al 27/11/2024; prevista Proroga + Addendum per il 2025 e Nuovo Accordo ("PBR") per il triennio 2026-2028**

**"EUSO-SPB2 (Extreme Universe Space Observatory – Super Pressure Balloon**

**OBIETTIVI:**

- progettazione, prototipazione e produzione di hardware per i telescopi di fluorescenza (FT) e Cherenkov (CT) della missione SPB2;
- sviluppo SW di simulazione, ricostruzione, analisi dati e monitoraggio ambientale;
- campagna di integrazione e test del FT.

**PARTNERS: ASI**

- **INFN – Sezioni di Catania, Napoli** (capofila con il P.I. Dott. Giuseppe Osteria),
- **Roma Tor Vergata, Torino e Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati;**
- **Università di Catania, Università di Napoli "Federico II"**

# ASSEGNAZIONI 2024 – ANAGRAFICA sigla SPB2- INFN-CT

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3. Lombardo Claudio		Dottorando 20
4. Pagliaro Antonio		Ric. INAF/IASF PA 40
5. Petta Catia		Prof. Ass. UniCT 20
<b>TOTALE: 5 unità</b>	<b>&lt;FTE/persona&gt; = 0.36</b>	<b>FTE TOT. 1.7</b>

## SERVIZI

Servizi ELETTRONICA

TOTALE: 2 mesi uomo

FTE TOT. 0.2

# ASSEGNAZIONI 2024 - sigla SPB2 – CT

## Missioni Estere e Nazionali:

**Richiesti 17.5 keuro/ASSEGNATI 7.0 keuro**

- Meeting generali di Collaborazione nazionali e internazionali (USA/JAPAN);
- Meeting Working Groups In Italia e all'estero
- Incontro Referees;

## Consumo:

**Richiesti 9.5 keuro/ASSEGNATI 4.0 keuro**

- Metabolismo Laboratorio R&D SiPMs
- Acquisto kit lenti calibrate e collimatore
- Acquisto SiPMs

## Altro Consumo:

**Richiesti 10.0 keuro/ASSEGNATI 10.0 keuro**

Acquisto strumentazione di precisione finalizzazione banco ottico

## Inventario:

**Richiesti 20.0 keuro/ASSEGNATI 20.0 keuro**

Acquisto tavolo micrometrico XY

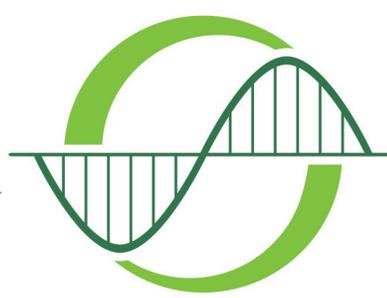
**TOTALE**

**Richiesti 57.0 keuro/ASSEGNATI 21.0 keuro**



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degli STUDI  
di CATANIA

Dipartimento  
di Fisica  
e Astronomia  
*"Ettore Majorana"*



Activities: **a) R&D on SiPMs for the SPB2 mission**

Involved members: **Rossella Caruso, C.Lombardo,  
C.Petta, Servizi Elettronica**

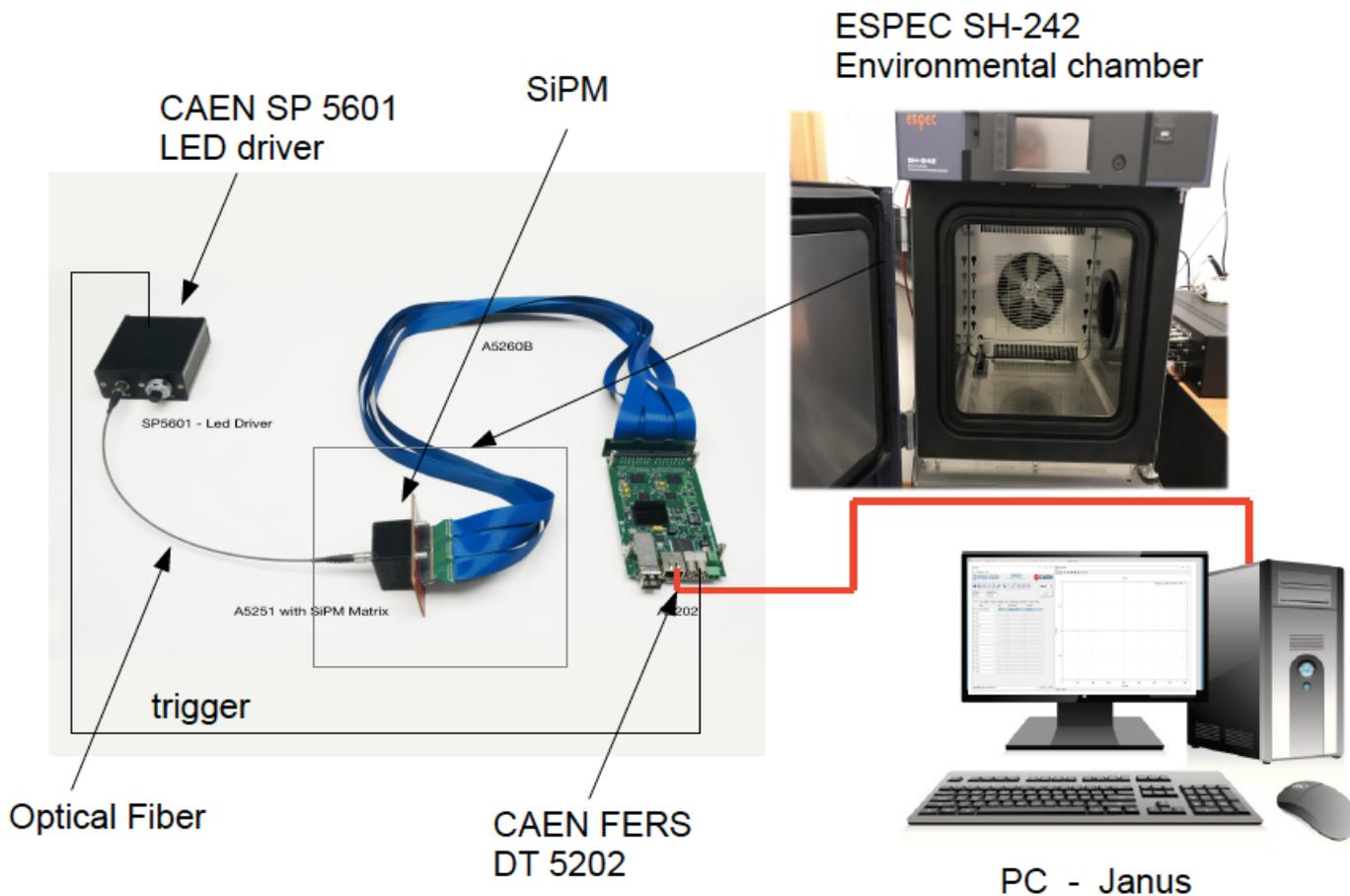
### **Measurements of SiPM features:**

- R&D on SiPMs: several prototypes from Hamamatsu, SensL, AdvanSid (FBK), Kernell, Ketek manufactures;
- Visual inspection (scratches, bubbles...): in clean room using a microscope;
- Measurements at temperature variations (- 40 °C ÷ + 150 °C) in a climate chamber: Dark Current Ratio (DCR); Gain; Cross-Talk; After-Pulse; I-V (Current-Voltage) curve, Multi-photon Spectrum;



# Available SiPMs

## Experimental set-up and kit of SiPMs



SenSL:

- ARRAYJ 30035 16P PCB
- ARRAYC 60035 64P PCB
- MICROFC 10010 SMT TR1
- MICROFC 30035 SMT TR1
- MICROFC 60035 SMT TR1
- MICROFC SMA 10010 GEVB
- MICROFC SMA 30035 GEVB
- MICROFC SMA 60035 GEVB
- MICROFC SMTPA 10010 GEVB
- MICROFC SMTPA 60035 GEVB

SiPM w/o connector

SiPM w conenctor

SiPM characterized

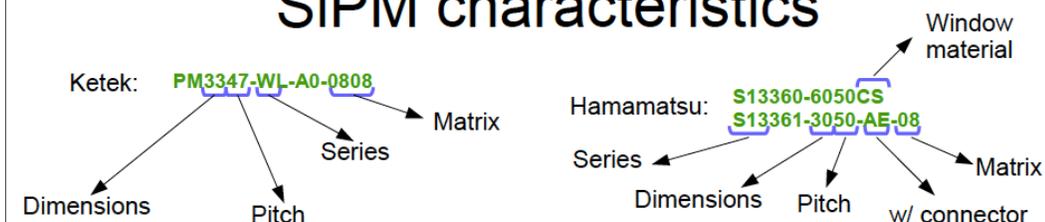
Ketek:

- PM3315-WL-A0
- PM3335-WL-A0
- PM3347-WL-A0
- PM3347-WL-A0-0808

Hamamatsu:

- S14160-1310PS
- S14160-1315PS
- S14160-3010PS
- S14160-3015PS
- S14160-4050HS
- S13360-1325CS
- S13360-1350CS
- S13360-6025C
- S13360-6050CS
- S13361-3050-AE-08

## SiPM characteristics



Operating temperature: -40 °C / 60 °C

Spectral response range: 320 – 900 nm

Peak sensitivity wavelength: 450 nm

Operating temperature: -20 °C / 60 °C

(270 – 900 nm for HPK with CS option)

	N of pixels	Fill Factor (%)	Window R-index	Active Area (mm <sup>2</sup> )
PM3335-WL-A0	7396	80	1.52	3.0 x 3.0
PM3347-WL-A0	4096	80	1.52	3.0 x 3.0
PM3347-WL-A0-0808	4096	80	1.52	3.0 x 3.0
S13360-1350CS	667	74	1.41	1.3 x 1.3
S13360-6050CS	14400	74	1.41	6.0 x 6.0
S13361-3050-AE-08	3584	74	1.55	3.0 x 3.0

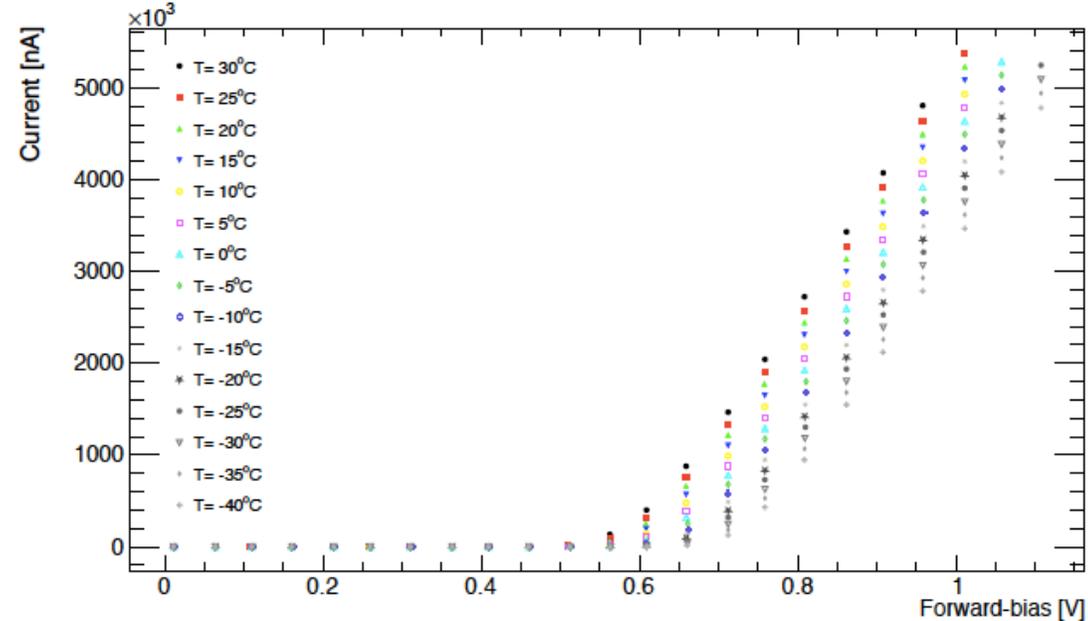
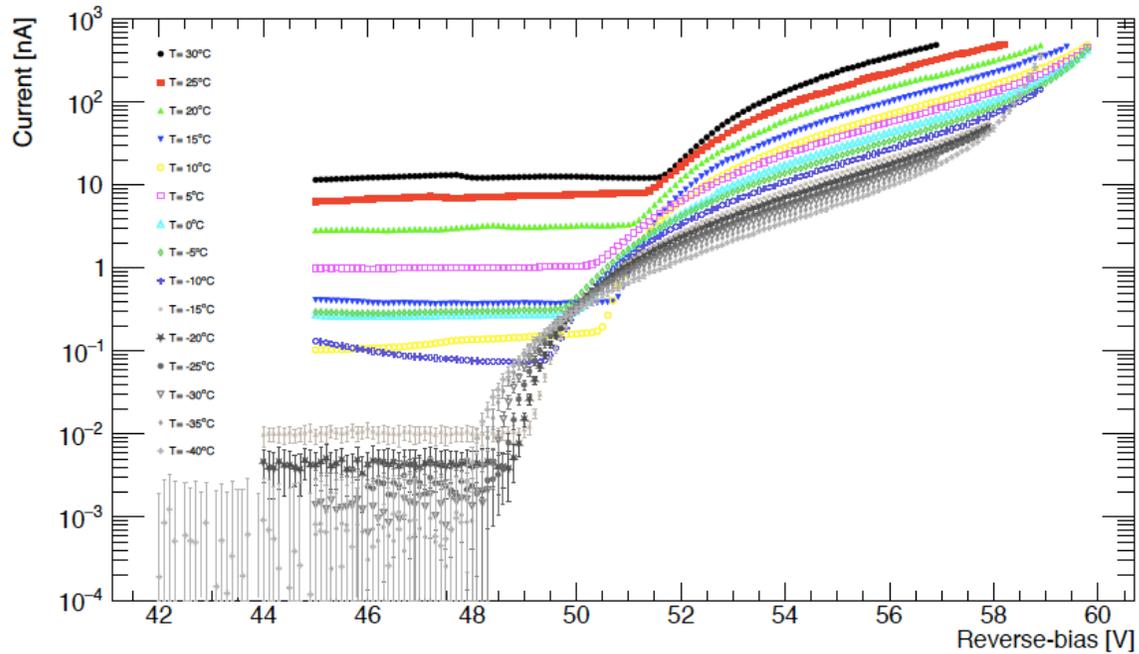
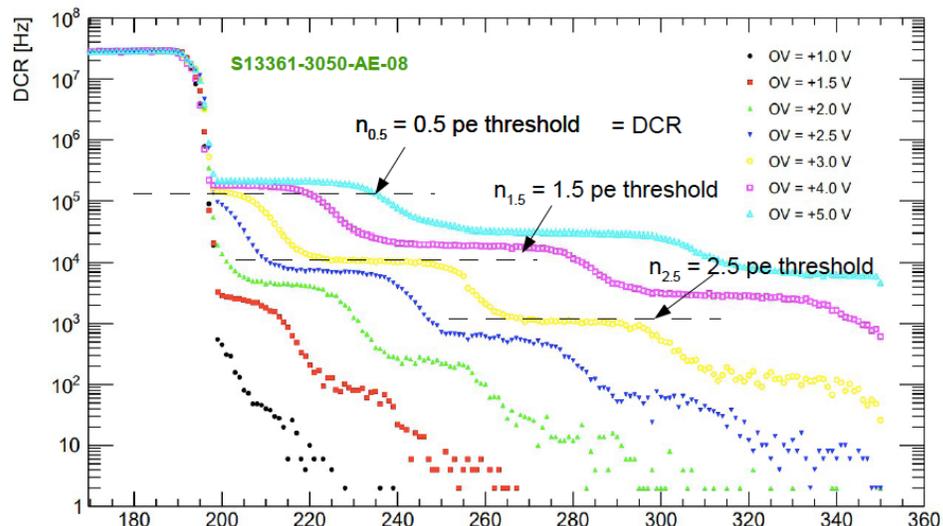


Figure 7: Forward-bias I-V curves acquired at different temperatures. The errors depend

Figure 4: Reverse-bias I-V curves acquired at different temperatures. The errors depend

### Staircase - DCR( $V_{ov}$ )



On the left and right top:  
I-V curve in  
reverse bias and forward bias  
at different temperatures

On the left bottom: Staircases plot - measurements of  
Dark Current Ratio (DCR)



**NOTA:**

Lavoro sviluppato nell'ambito di una sinergia locale  
"SynWorkingGroup SiPMs"  
tra diverse sigle sperimentali INFN di R&D sui SiPMs

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- Introduction
- SiPM: operation principles and characteristics
- Experimental set-up
- Measurements and results
- Conclusions
- Acknowledgements

## Characterisation of Hamamatsu S13161-3050AE-08 SiPM (8 x 8) array at different temperatures with CAEN DT5202

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### Abstract

Silicon PhotoMultipliers, SiPMs, constitute the enabling technology for a diverse and rapidly growing range of applications: medical imaging, experimental physics, and commercial applications are only a few examples. In this work, a characterisation protocol for SiPM qualification has been applied to Hamamatsu S13161-3050AE-08 SiPM (8 x 8) array in the  $(-40 \div +30)^{\circ}\text{C}$  temperature range. The protocol foresees to measure several parameters: breakdown voltage, quenching resistance, gain, dark count rate and probability of cross-talk. Methods to extract them and their dependence on temperature at fixed overvoltage are shown and the results are discussed.

**Keywords:** SiPM characterisation, breakdown voltage, quenching resistance, gain, dark count rate, probability of Cross-Talk.

## 5. Conclusions

This work is mainly focused on the characterization of an (8x8) SiPM matrix (Hamamatsu model S13360-3050AE-08) over a wide range of temperatures from 30 °C down to -40 °C. Two different configurations were adopted: the first uses a picoammeter to measure accurately the leakage currents in order to determine both  $V_{bd}$  and  $R_q$ , and the second one adopts a CAEN DT5202 read-out system to evaluate gain, DCR and pCT.  $V_{bd}$  decreases as the temperature decreases, while the  $R_q$  seems almost independent of fixing the same bias voltage for all temperatures constant is more convenient. Consequently, the gain the DCR level decreases as the temperatures decrease

Characterization of HAMAMATSU SiPM tile  
64 channels: (8x8) matrix, (3x3) mm<sup>2</sup> area  
from -40°C to + 30°C

## 6. Acknowledgements

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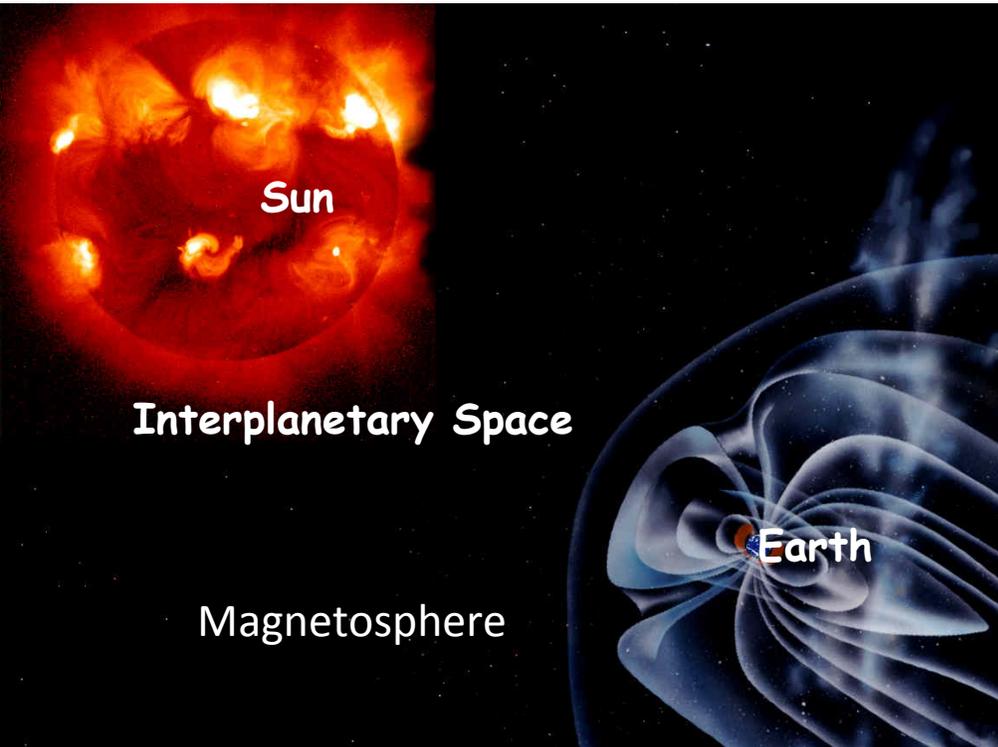
Thanks to dedicated funds by ASI, in agreement with INFN in the framework of Project “EUSO-SPB2”



## Activities b):

*CME (\*) solar events and U.V. Transient Luminous Events in MiniEUSO data*  
involved members: F. Zuccarello → R. Caruso

**(\*) CME (Coronal Mass Ejection):** A disturbance in the solar wind caused by an eruption on the Sun.



Active Region on the Sun erupts

1. Solar Flare (Visible, UV, EUV, X-ray)
  2. Shock (energetic particles)
  3. Coronal Mass Ejection (particles and fields)
- Radiation reaches Earth in 8 minutes (speed of light)
  - Energetic Particles reach Earth in 15 min to 24 hours
  - Coronal Mass Ejection reaches Earth in 1-4 Days

# FLOW-CHART - Data Analysis CME vs MiniEUSO

1. **Compilation of candidate geo-effective CME** events using different catalogues present on the web:

- [https://www.helcats-fp7.eu/catalogues/wp2\\_cat.html](https://www.helcats-fp7.eu/catalogues/wp2_cat.html)
- <http://www.srl.caltech.edu/ACE/ASC/DATA/level3/icmetable2.htm>
- [https://wind.nasa.gov/ICME\\_catalog/ICME\\_catalog\\_viewer.php](https://wind.nasa.gov/ICME_catalog/ICME_catalog_viewer.php)
- <https://helioforecast.space/arrcat>

2. **determination of CME arrival time** in the Earth atmosphere in order to correlate with MiniEUSO events;

3. **determination of the CME angular width** in order to evaluate its geo-magnetic effectiveness;

4. **download MiniEUSO data e lista Sessioni dati utili** ("Sessions" i.e. ROOT files);

5. **comparison** between geo-effective **CME arrival time at Earth** with **data acquisition time of MiniEUSO data** in order to search for possible candidates;

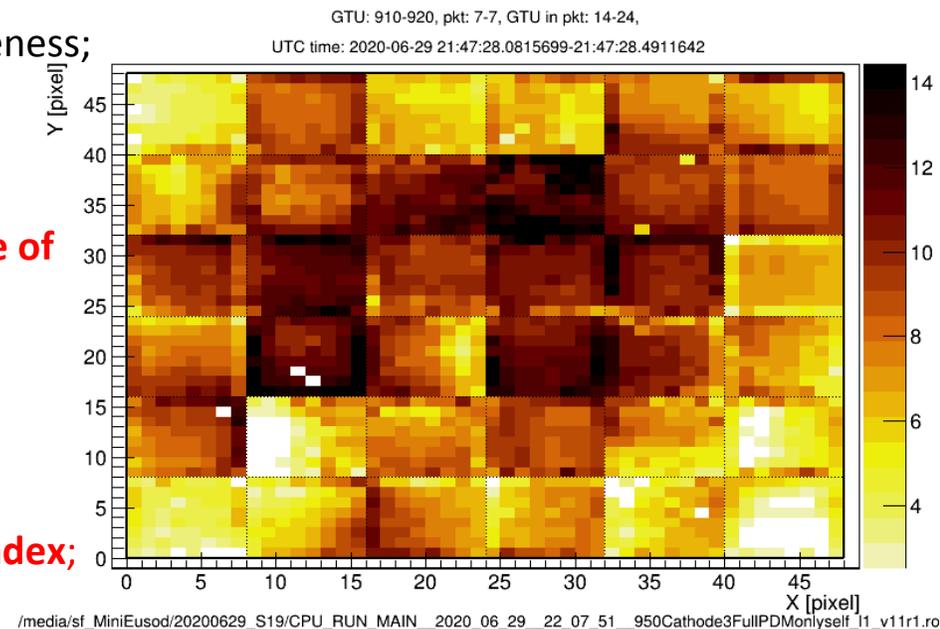
6. **analysis of possible candidate files using ETOS** code searching for signature in the data (i.e. no new or strange signal) ;

7. **cross-check** by means of comparison between CME arrival time at Earth **with the DST index**;

- <https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/stp/GEOMAG/dst.html>
- <https://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp//dstdir/>
- [https://web.archive.org/web/20120209110443/http://www.esa-spaceweather.net/swenet/login\\_cmd=swenet\\_latest\\_alerts](https://web.archive.org/web/20120209110443/http://www.esa-spaceweather.net/swenet/login_cmd=swenet_latest_alerts)

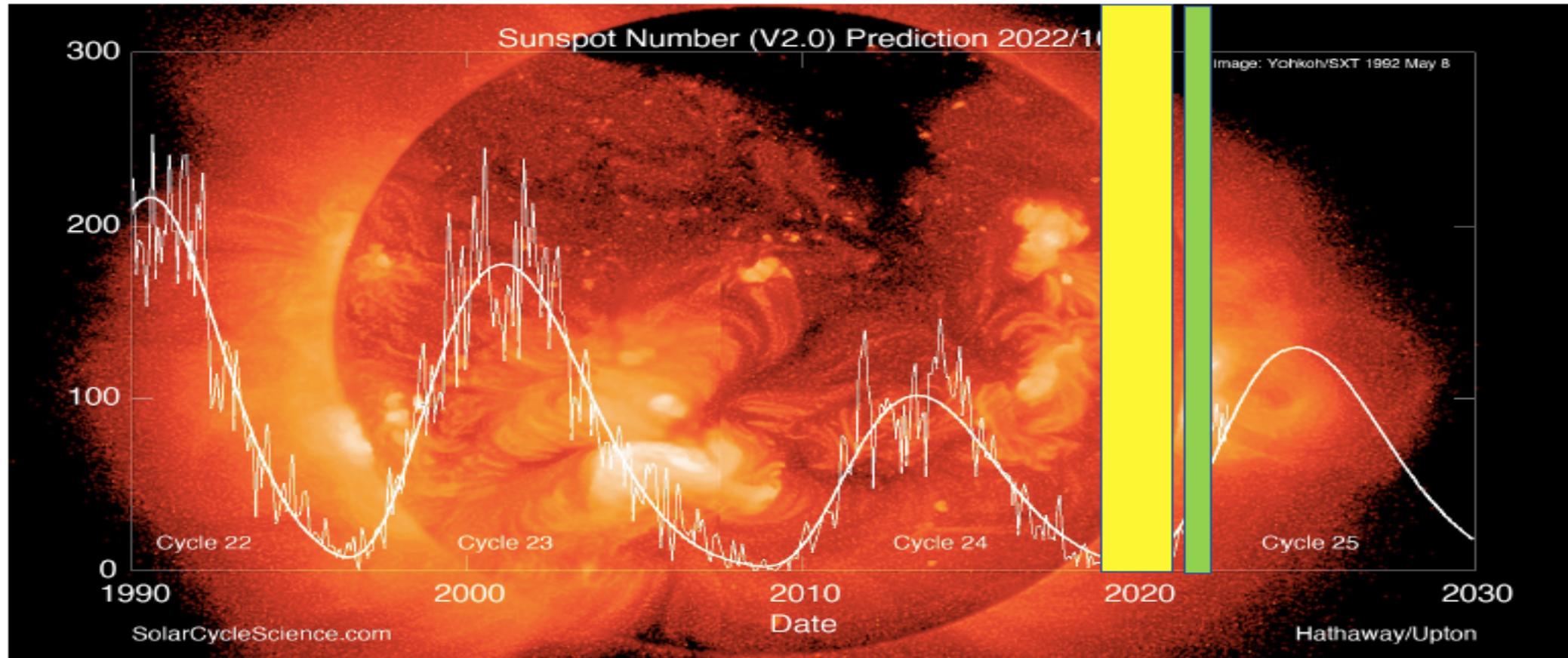
8. **further cross-check** for any evidence of significance in the **Kp index level**

- <https://www.spaceweatherlive.com/en/auroral-activity/top-50-geomagnetic-storms/year/2022.html>



The first Mini-Euso dataset was acquired during the phase of minimum of solar activity (Nov 2019 – Aug 2021), indicated by the yellow box.

The second dataset was acquired during the growing phase of Cycle 25 (Nov 2021 – Aug 2022), indicated by the green box.



**Analisi dati attualmente estesa fino a dicembre 2023!**

L'attuale ciclo solare, **il numero 25**, è iniziato nel 2020 e si sta dirigendo verso il periodo di attività solare più intensa, previsto per l'estate 2025 (previsto anticipo fine autunno 2024!).

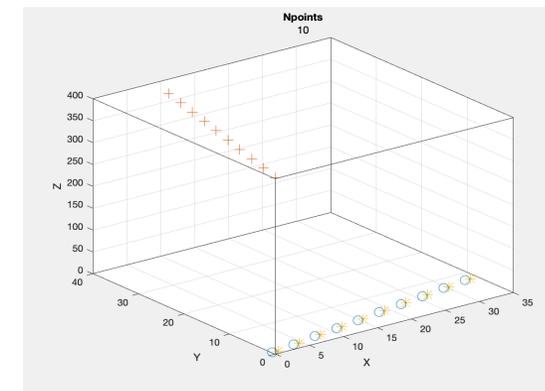
## Activity in Palermo (Associated to Catania)

Involved members: A.Anzalone, A.Pagliaro

Mini-EUSO Data Analysis:

3D reconstruction of meteor trajectory

- Test of the computer vision method on the real meteor data

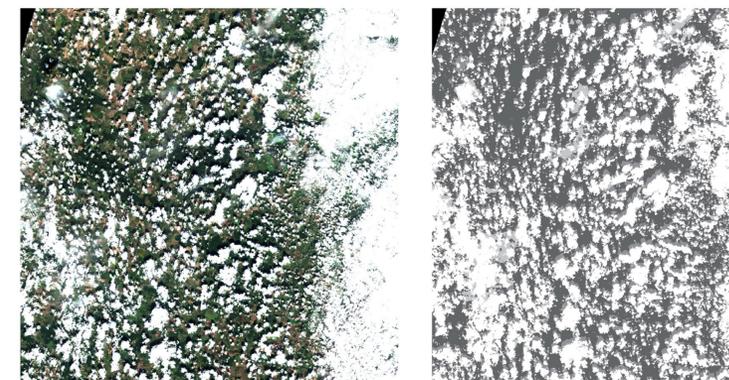


Cloud Masking:

“Application of Machine and Deep Learning methods for Cloud Mask Retrieval: a review”

Invited Review Paper in preparation for Applied Sciences Journal, Special issue

"Hardware-Aware Deep Learning"



■ Clear ■ Cloud Shadow ■ Semi-transparent cloud □ Cloud ■ Missing

## Publicazioni JEM-EUSO (MiniEUSO, SPB2, POEMMA)

luglio 2023/luglio 2024 = N.6

- ***POEMMA (Probe Of Extreme Multi-Messenger Astrophysics) Roadmap Update***  
POEMMA Collaboration, PoS ICRC2023 (2023) 1159 • Contribution to ICRC2023
- ***N. 26 Contributions of the JEM-EUSO Collaboration to ICRC2023***  
JEM-EUSO Collaboration, PoS ICRC2023 (2023) 1159
- ***Developments and results in the context of the JEM-EUSO program obtained with the ESAF simulation and analysis framework***  
JEM-EUSO Collaboration, Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023) 11, 1028
- ***Characterization of Hamamatsu S13161-3050AE-08 SiPM (8 × 8) array at different temperatures with CAEN DT5202*** Persiani R., Lombardo C., Millesoli S., Tortorici F., Albergo S., Cappuzzello F., Caruso R., Petta C., Tuvè C., Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A 1057 (2023) 168732
- ***EUSO-Offline: A comprehensive simulation and analysis framework***,  
JEM-EUSO Collaboration, JINST 19 (2024) 01, P01007
- ***EUSO-SPB1 mission and science***  
JEM-EUSO Collaboration, Astropart.Phys. 154 (2024)

# We are a strong, efficient and resilient collaboration!

## Efficient:

- EUSO-Balloon
- EUSO-TA
- EUSO-SPB1
- MINI-EUSO
- EUSO-SPB2
- +TUS

Not a single failure !!!

+ our technology is used in other projects...

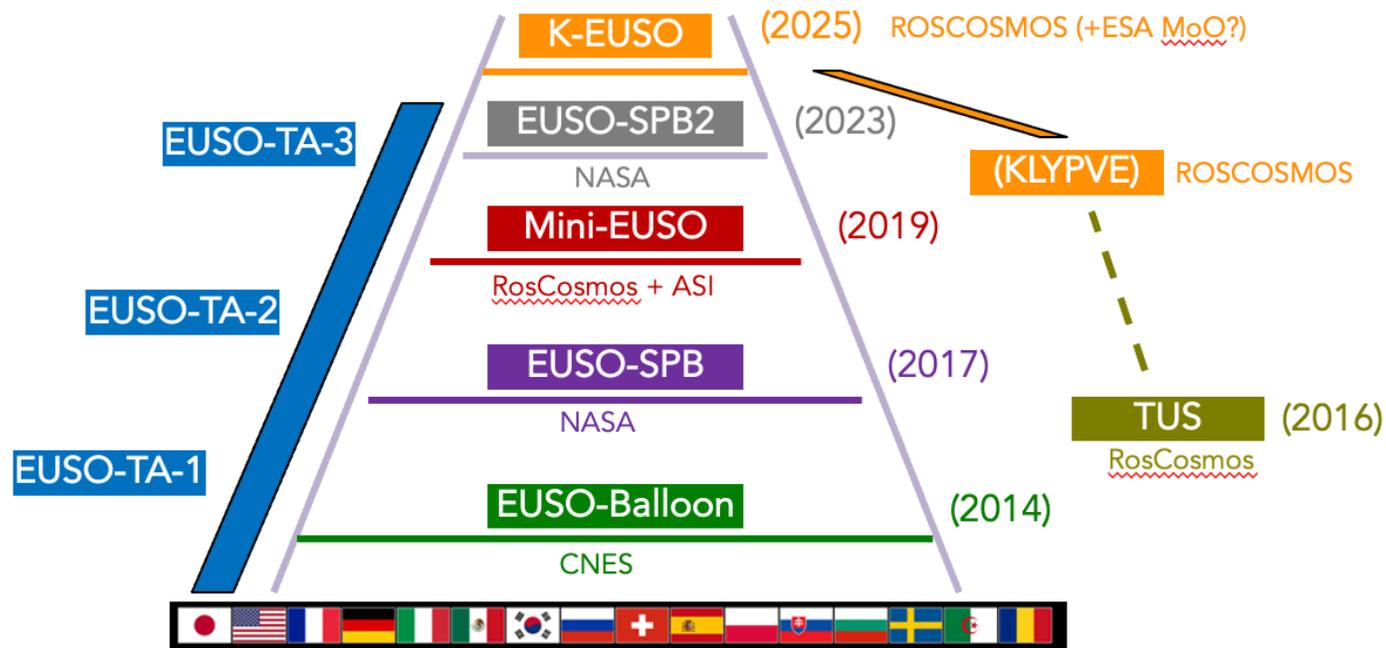
## Strong:

35<sup>rd</sup> Collaboration meeting!

Strong together and **credible** together!

The JEM-EUSO collaboration delivers!

# Stairway to heaven!



**ASTROPHYSICS RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS  
(NNH23ZDA001N-APRA)  
PANEL EVALUATION**

**Proposal No.:** 23-APRA23-0025

**PI/Institution:** Olinto, Angela/University Of Chicago

**Proposal Title:** POEMMA-Balloon with Radio (PBR)

**21 GIUGNO 2024: NEWS!!**

**La NASA seleziona e  
APPROVA il prossimo lancio di  
Pallone aerostatico a super-  
pressione per il 2026!**

**Brief Summary of Research Objectives:**

A balloon mission borrowing in design from the possible future probe-class mission Probe Of Extreme Multi-Messenger Astrophysics (POEMMA) is proposed to be known as POEMMA-Balloon with Radio (PBR). PBR would fly on a sub-orbital ultra-long duration balloon (ULDB). The payload would include a Fluorescence Camera (FC) and a Cherenkov Camera (CC) along with a 50 - 550 MHz radio system optimized for the detection of extensive air-showers (EASs). The proposal covers the full construction, testing, flight, and data-analysis aspects of the mission. The mission science goals are to detect from altitude fluorescence signals generated by UHECRs, observe CR EASs, particularly in an energy range above the cosmic ray knee, in both optical and radio, and to search for very high energy neutrinos (VHENS) that are the target of opportunity (ToO) from multi-messenger alerts. PBR would advance the technology that would be required for a space-based platform, such as the conceptual POEMMA for utilizing the Earth's atmosphere to detect CRs and cosmic neutrinos.



**La missione si chiamerà  
PBR (POEMMA Balloon &  
Radio)  
e NON SPB3 (Super Pression  
Balloon 3)**

**OVERALL ADJECTIVAL RATING: Excellent/Very Good**

**The future is bright!**

# PREVENTIVI 2025 – ANAGRAFICA sigla SPB2- INFN-CT

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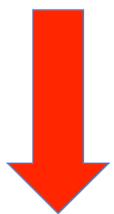
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TOTALE: 2 mesi uomo

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## Planning attività 2025

- Responsabilità internazionale: “ **CALIBRAZIONE** dei SiPMs matrice focale del Telescopio Cherenkov (CT)” per la missione PBR (lancio 2026) ” (R.Caruso);
  - Il **Laboratorio di R&D SiPMs di Catania** (postazione SPB2 presso “Laboratorio di fotorivelatori per la Fisica Astroparticellare” – Sezione INFN di Catania & DFA-UniCT) diviene **SITO di CALIBRAZIONE e TEST** dei prototipi di Telescopio Cherenkov per la missione PBR nel 2025 per l’intera Collaborazione internazionale PBR: previsti turni di misura e test da parte di altri gruppi italiani ed esteri.
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- **Progettazione, realizzazione, test, calibrazione e caratterizzazione superficie focale SiPMs per il Telescopio Cherenkov IN SEDE e presso i siti di realizzazione e integrazione elettronica di NAPOLI e ROMA2 e di caratterizzazione in condizioni realistiche di volo presso il TurLab di TORINO;**
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- **Monitoraggio atmosferico, cloud imaging, analisi dati traiettorie meteore, etc.**
  - **Analisi dati CME solari e ricerca di Eventi Transienti Luminosi nei dati di MiniEUSO e di SPB2 per ottimizzazione rapporto segnale/rumore e trigger Telescopi di Fluorescenza e Cherenkov.**

# **PREVENTIVI 2025 - sigla SPB2 – CT**

## **Missioni Estere e Nazionali:**

**Richiesti 25 keuro**

- Meeting generali di Collaborazione nazionali e internazionali (USA/JAPAN);
- Meeting Working Groups In Italia e negli USA
- Turni di integrazione elettronica prototipi a Napoli e Roma
- Turni di test e caratterizzazione prototipi presso TurLab Facility a Torino
- Incontro Referees;

## **Consumo:**

**Richiesti 15 keuro**

- Metabolismo Laboratorio R&D SiPMs
- Acquisto matrici SiPMs per superficie focale telescopio Cherenkov
- Ottimizzazione banco ottico per finalizzazione sito calibrazione prototipi per Collab. Italia

## **Inventario:**

**Richiesti 20.0 keuro**

Acquisto tavolo micrometrico XY

(NOTA: fondi 2024 stornati su altra sede e impiegati per acquisto urgente PMTs Telescopio Fluorescenza, su base accordo Referees e decisione CSN2)

**TOTALE**

**Richiesti 50.0 keuro**