

Polar QuEEEst 1928 – 2018

Purpose:

- measurement of absolute Cosmic Ray fluxes at different latitudes
- sensitivity to low energy Cosmic Rays ("trapped" at Poles by Earth magnetic field)

Telescope with Two-Planes of scintillators

SiPM readout

50x50x30 cm³ total volume

Low consumption electronics

Three telescopes built by high school students at CERN

- same type detectors
- synchronous (GPS)
- installed on Nanuq sailboat and schools in Norway and Italy

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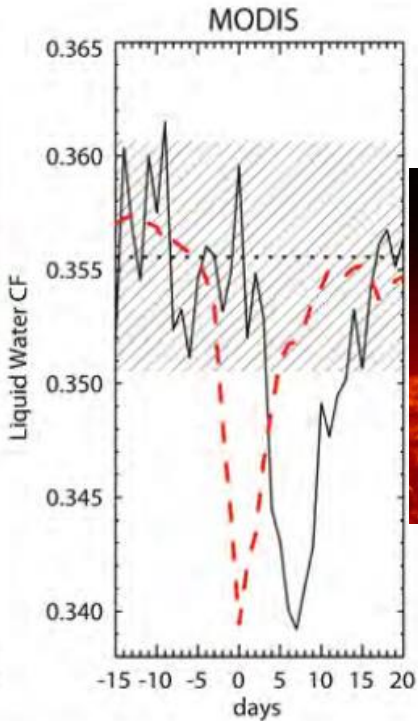
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Cosmic Rays, Life and Paleoclimate

<https://www.europhysicsnews.org/articles/epn/pdf/2015/02/epn2015462p26.pdf>



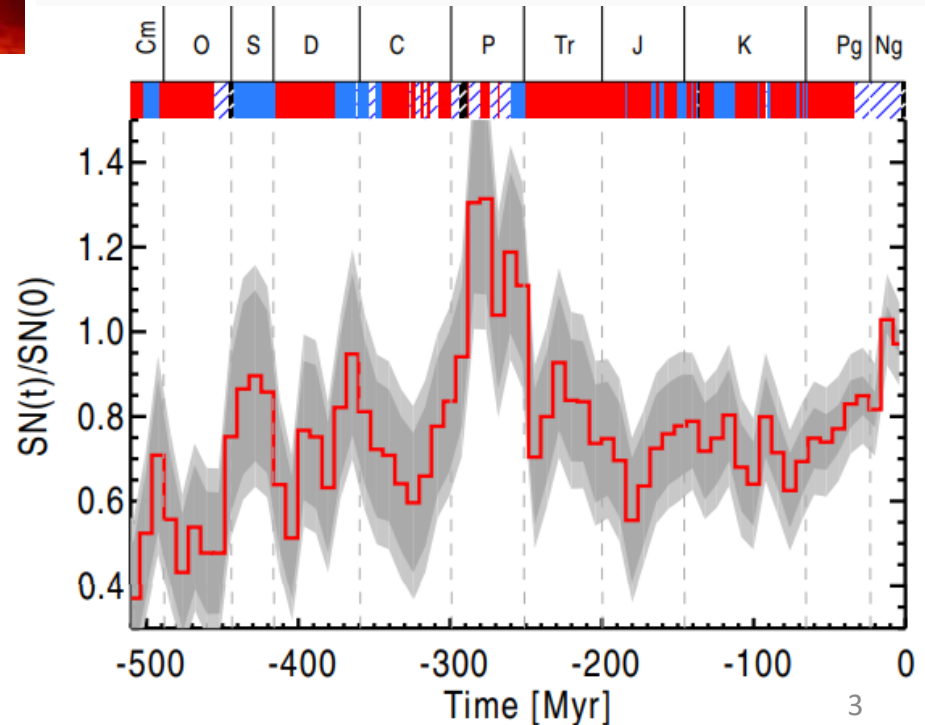
Forbush events

Correlation of neutron measurements (red) and liquid water cloud fraction (black)



Paleoclimate

Correlation of Supernovae rate (i.e. CR) and climatic periods (blue = cold = cloudy) over 500 Myr



Cosmic Rays and Clouds (CLOUD experiment at CERN)

Condensation Nuclei density is influenced by CR flux

<https://home.cern/about/experiments/cloud>
<http://cerncourier.com/cws/article/cern/41723>

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Measure Cosmic Rays flux with three detectors
45° in latitude span
5000 km distance

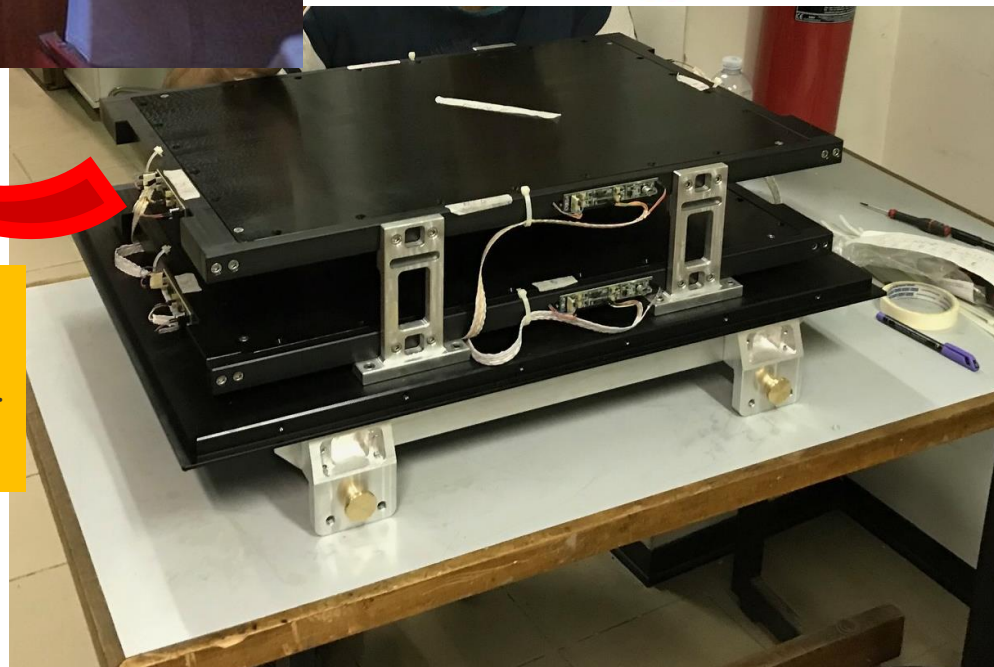
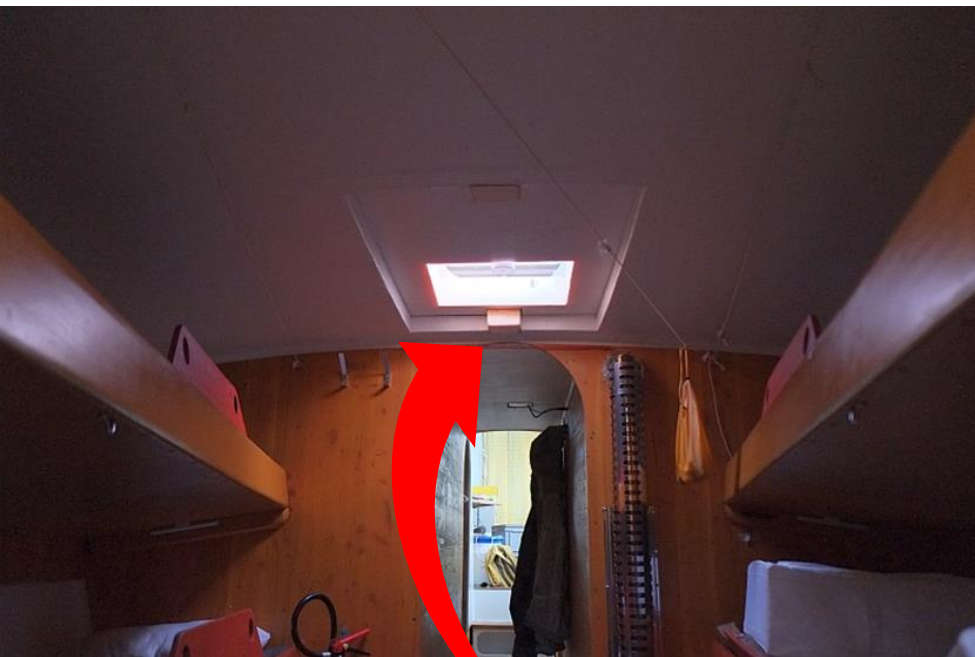
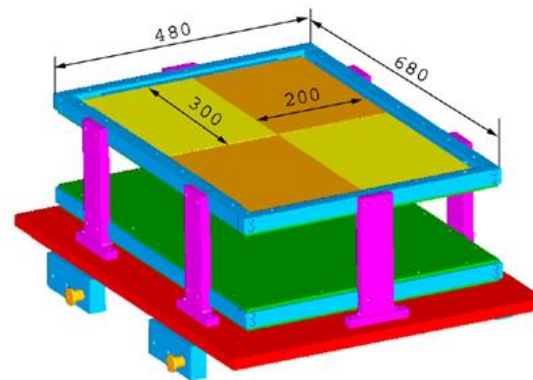
<http://www.polarquest2018.org/>

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- 8 scintillator tiles+16 SiPMs in two planes
- Full TDC custom readout (<10 Watts)
- GPS time stamp



May 22nd- May 25th
18 High Schools students from
Norway, Switzerland and Italy at
CERN to build the detectors.

PolarQuEEEst 2018

Schedule CERN

Building 29

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09:00 Introduction + School presentation

Slides from each school

09:30 Presentation CERN

J. Vigen

10:00 Introduction to EEE

D. Hatzifotiadou

10:20 PolarQuEEEst general

P. Catapano/R. Nania

10:45 Instructions for POLARQuEEEst construction

11:15 group subdivision ; start construction

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Construction of two detectors

14:30 EEE Extreme Energy Events

Prof. A. Zichichi

15:15 Construction of two detectors

16:00 High energy astrophysics and blue water cruising

Prof. T. Courvoisier

16:45 Extra time for construction

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08:30 visit SC/Exhibition/Globe

11:15 Masterclass: Cosmics Rays and applications

M. Garbini, I. Gnesi

13:30 Oscilloscopes /signalsignals for all three telescopes

16:00 visit to EEE

C. Williams, D. Hatzifotiadou

17:00 groups prepare presentations

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09:00 HV scan efficiency on detectors

11:00 Masterclass data analysis

F. Noferini (vidyo)

13:00 visit SM18/magnets LHC /AMS/ALICE/

17:00 report groups detector/multimedia

Students

19:00 party