

ボリビア・チャカルタヤ山宇宙線観測所における 高エネルギー γ 線・宇宙線観測のための 空気シャワー実験

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2024年度ボリビア実験関係 共同利用研究採択課題一覧

- **ボリビア・チャカルタヤ山宇宙線観測所における高エネルギー γ 線・宇宙線観測のための空気シャワー実験（継続）**
(常定芳基 大阪公立大学)
- **アンデス高原における雷雲からの高エネルギー放射線の研究（継続）**
(日比野欣也 神奈川大学)
- **南半球で観測する宇宙線中の太陽の影を用いた太陽磁場の研究（継続）**
(川田和正 東京大学)
- **ボリビア・チャカルタヤ山宇宙線観測所における高エネルギー宇宙線異方性の研究（継続）**
(佐古崇志 東京大学 => 長野県工科短期大学)
- **ALPACA実験・ALPAQUITA実験で探る星質量ブラックホール連星におけるPeV宇宙線加速の可能性（新規）**
(加藤勢 東京大学 => パリ天体物理学研究所 IAP、ソルボンヌ大学)

ボリビア実験関係共同利用研究 経費執行状況

- **研究費：配分額 250万円**

チャカルタヤ観測所運営分担金や
ALPAQUITA実験装置に使用

- **旅費：配分額 173万円**

ボリビア出張・宇宙線研での国内研究打ち合わせに使用

ご支援、ありがとうございます！

活動状況

• ボリビア渡航：延べ7人（インフラ整備、装置調整、打ち合わせ）

2024/6/12-7/1 宇宙線研：さこ 2024/11/23-11/30 宇宙線研：さこ・藤田

2024/11/25-12/10 宇宙線研：Anzorena・杉本

2024/11/25-12/18 宇宙線研：大西 2025/1/27-2/14 宇宙線研：大西

• 国際会議発表

22nd International Symposium on Very High Energy Cosmic Ray Interactions (ISVHECRI 2024), 8-12 July (Mexico)

TeV Particle Astrophysics (TeVPA) 2024, 26-30 August (Chicago)

International Conference on High Energy Physics 2024 (ICHEP2024), 17-24 July (Prague)

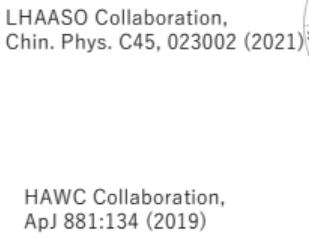
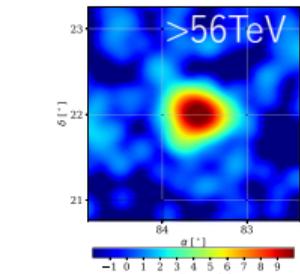
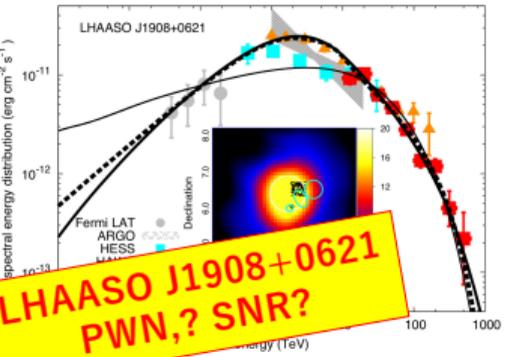
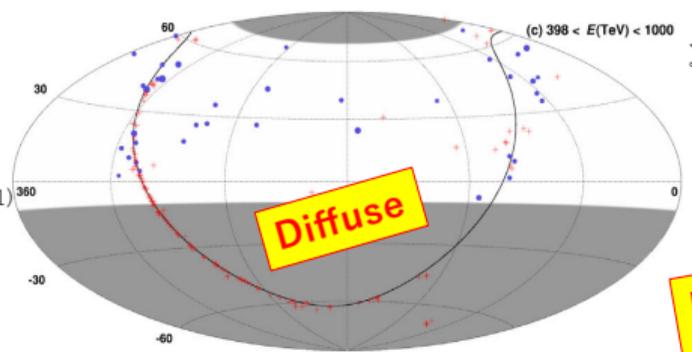
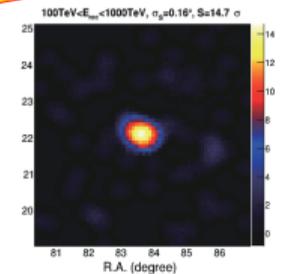
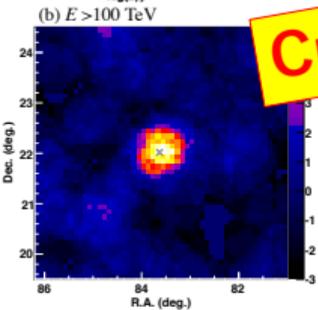
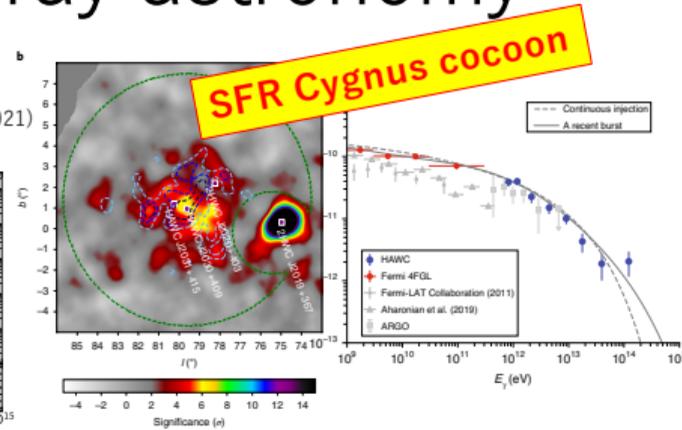
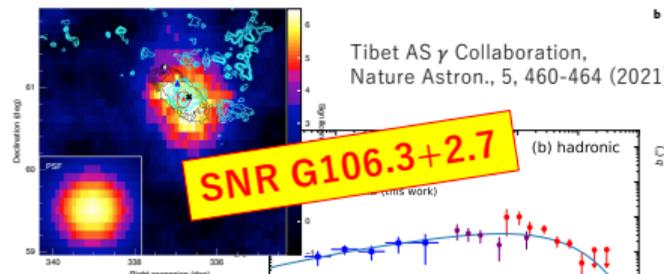
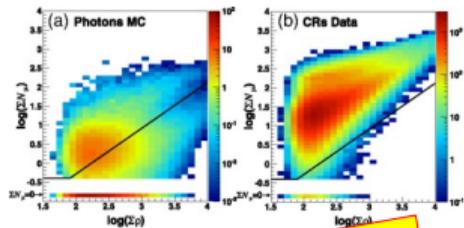
Space Climate9, ISEE Symposium, 1-4 October (Nagoya)

7th International Symposium on Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays 2024 (UHECR2024), 17-21 November (Malargue, Argentina)

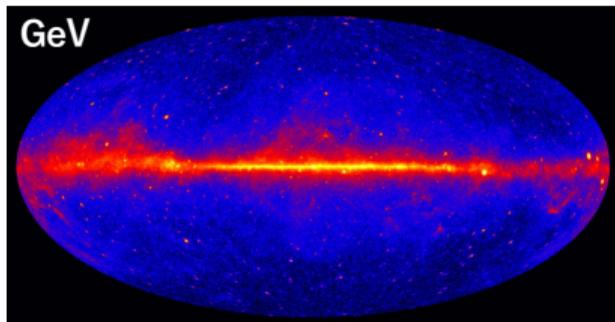
• 国内学会発表

9月16日-19日	日本物理学会第79回年次大会（北海道大学）	6講演
9月11日-13日	日本天文学会2024年秋季大会（関西学院大学）	2講演
3月18日-21日	日本物理学会2025年春季大会（オンライン）	5講演（予定）
3月17日-20日	日本天文学会2025年春季年会（水戸市民会館）	2講演（予定）

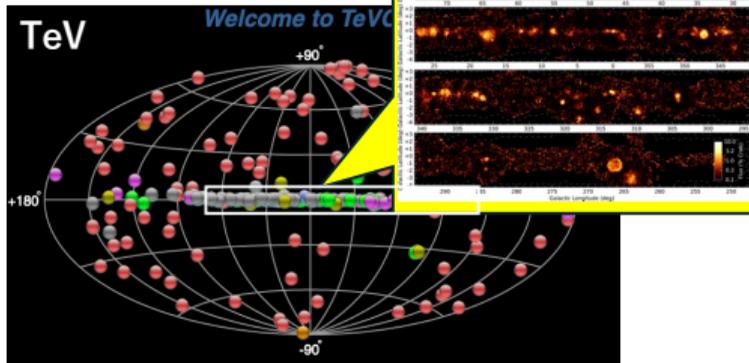
Dawn of sub-PeV gamma-ray astronomy



Gamma-ray sky

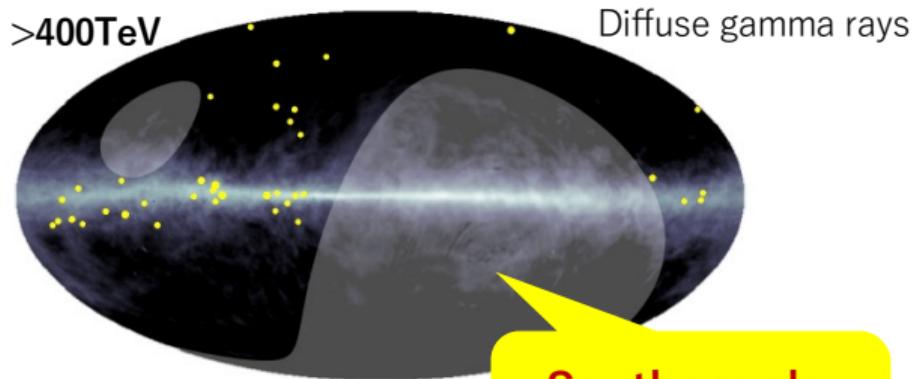


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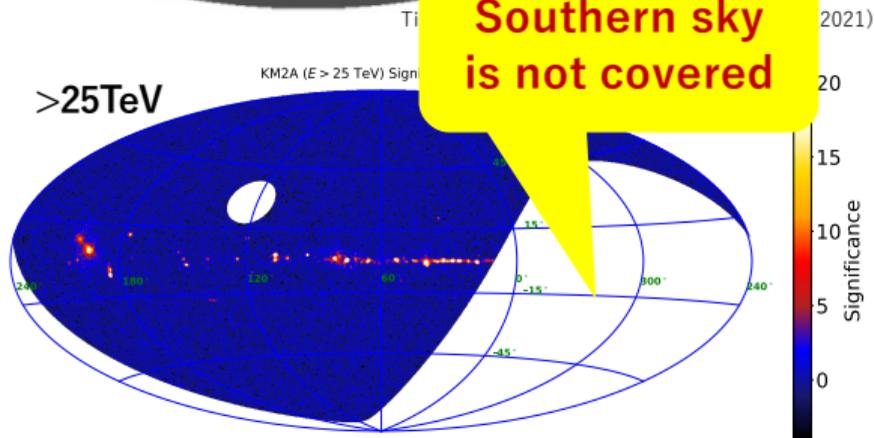


<http://tevcat.uchicago.edu>

HESS: A&A 612, A1 (2018)



Southern sky is not covered



Gamma-ray sources

LHAASO Collaboration, arXiv:2305.1703v1 (2023)

ALPACA

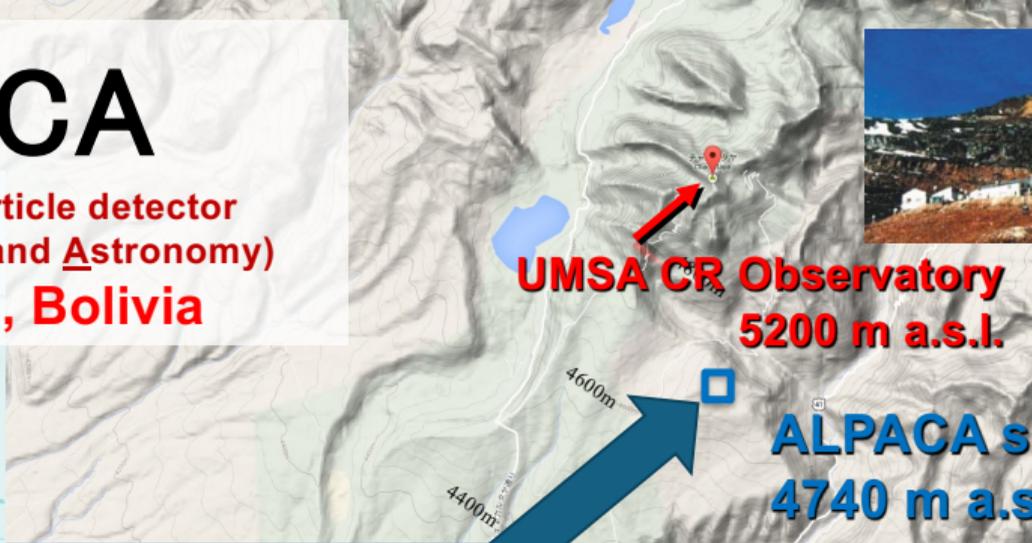
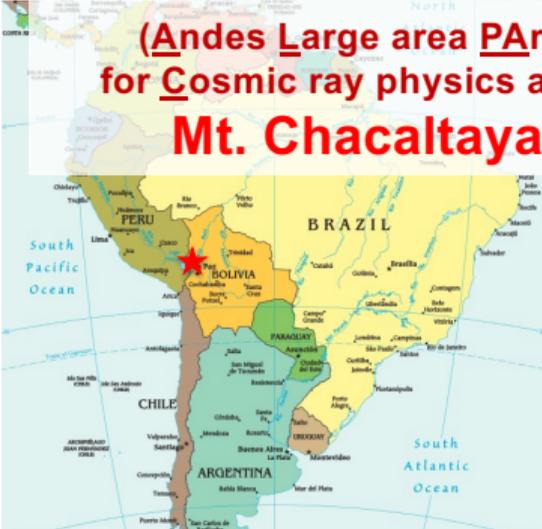
(Andes Large area Particle detector
for Cosmic ray physics and Astronomy)
Mt. Chacaltaya, Bolivia



**UMSA CR Observatory
5200 m a.s.l.**

**ALPACA site
4740 m a.s.l.**

4,740 m above sea level
(16° 23' S, 68° 08' W)



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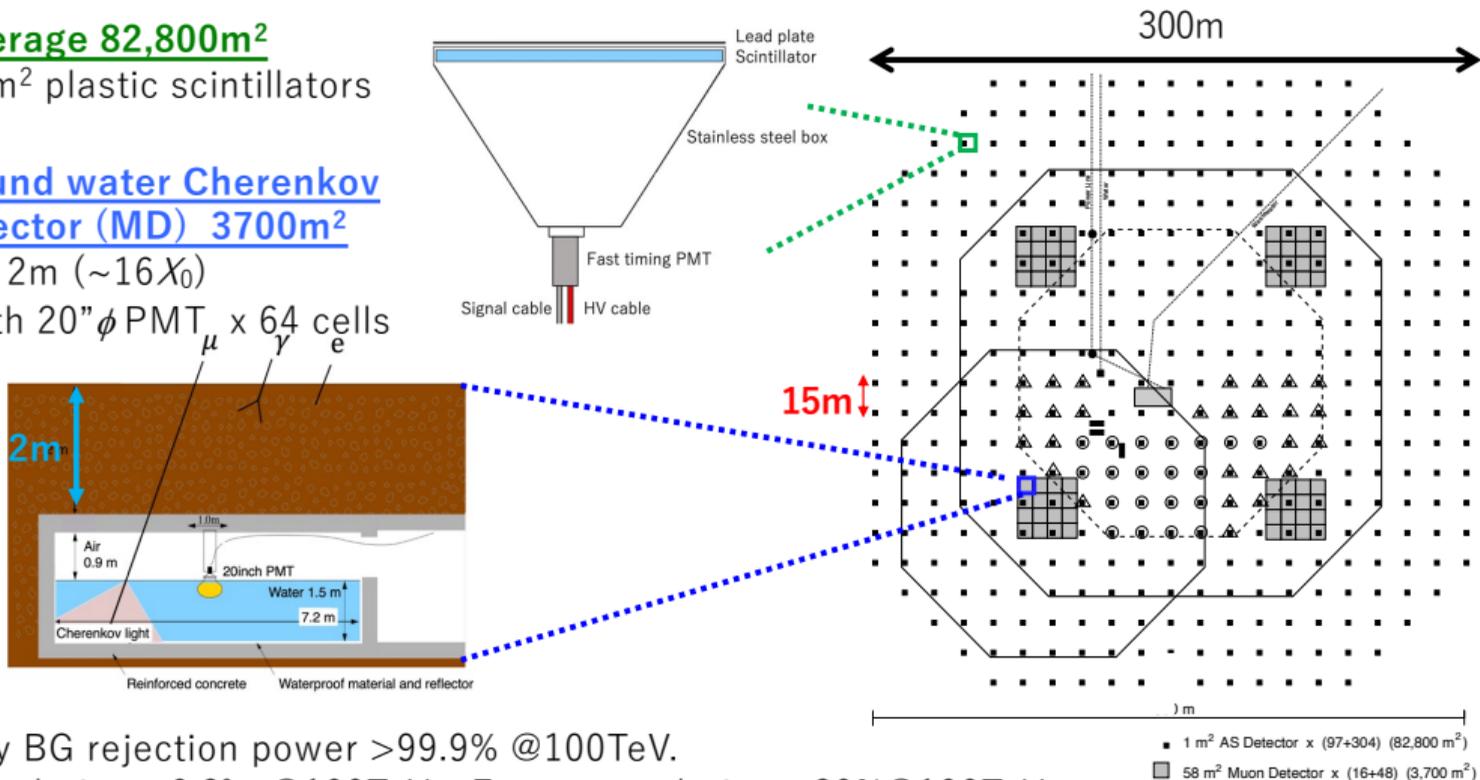
ALPACA Air Shower Array

1. Array coverage 82,800m²
 = 401 x 1m² plastic scintillators

2. Underground water Cherenkov muon detector (MD) 3700m²

Soil over 2m ($\sim 16X_0$)

= 58m² with 20" ϕ PMT x 64 cells



✓ Cosmic-ray BG rejection power >99.9% @100TeV.

✓ Angular resolution $\sim 0.2^\circ$ @100TeV, Energy resolution $\sim 20\%$ @100TeV

✓ 100% duty cycle, FOV $\theta_{zen} < 40^\circ$ (well studied), $\theta_{zen} < 60^\circ$ (in study)

ALPAQUITA

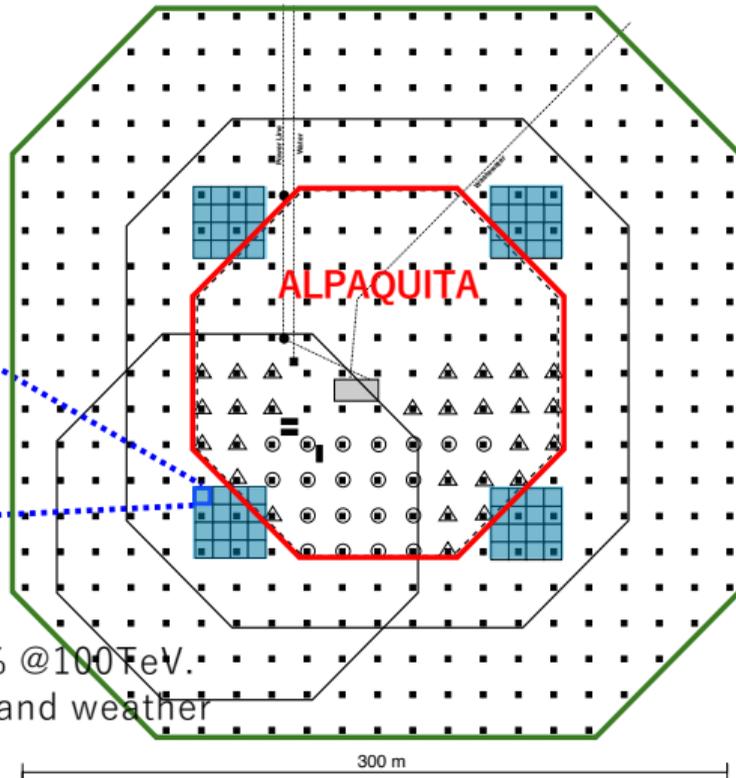
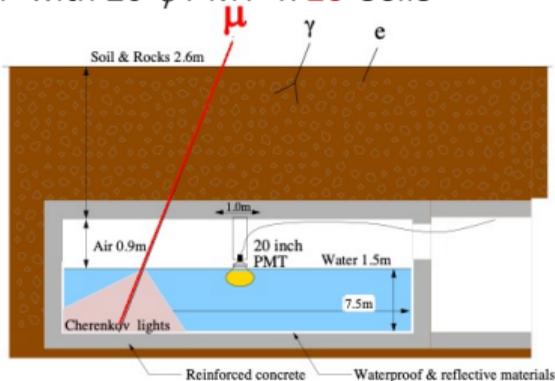
1. Air Shower (AS) Array ~83,000m²

= 97 x 1m² Scintillation Detector

2. Underground Muon Detector (MD) ~3600m²

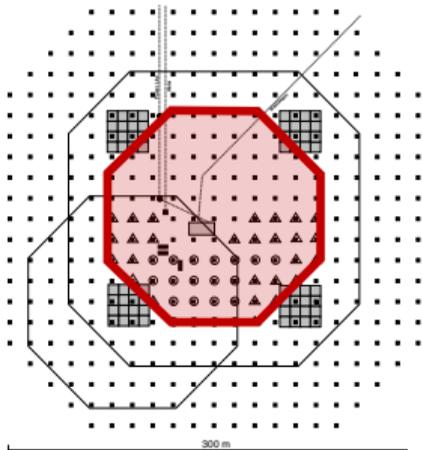
= Water-Cherenkov-Type, 2.5m overburden ($\sim 19X_0$)

56m² with 20" ϕ PMT x 16 Cells



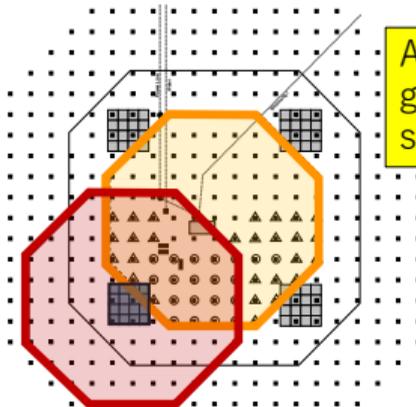
- ✓ Gamma-ray air shower has much less muons. Background cosmic rays can be rejected by $>99.9\%$ @100TeV.
- ✓ Wide FoV ($\sim 2\text{sr}$) observation regardless day/night and weather
 - Angular resolution $\sim 0.2^\circ$ @100TeV
 - Energy resolution $\sim 20\%$ @100TeV

ALPACA Construction Plan



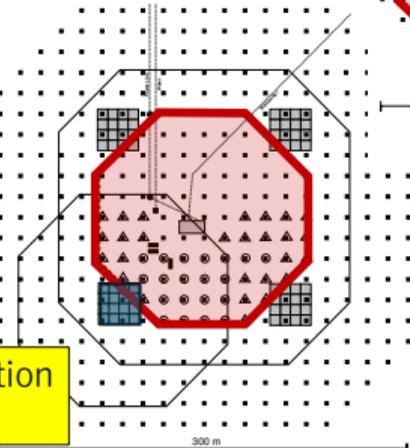
300 m
● 1 m² AS Detector x (97+304) (82,800 m²)
■ 58 m² Muon Detector x (16+48) (3,700 m²)

Current configuration



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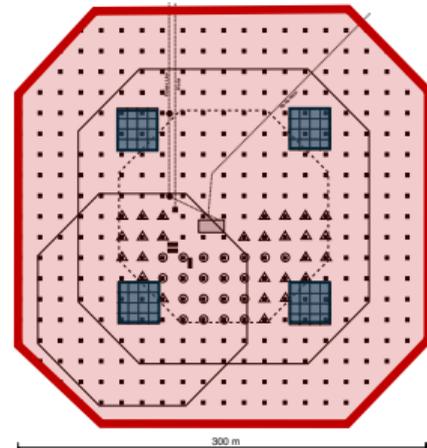
ALPAQUITA w/ MD
gamma-ray sensitive observation
starts in 2025



300 m
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1st MD construction
in 2025

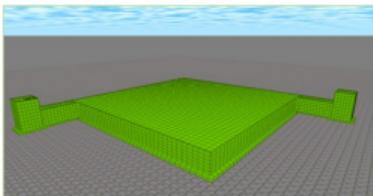
Full ALPACA
construction in 2026



300 m
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Heart of the experiment ~Underground muon detector~

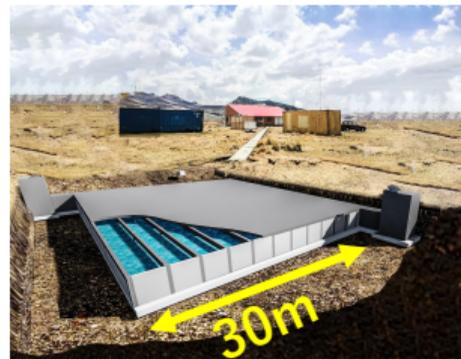
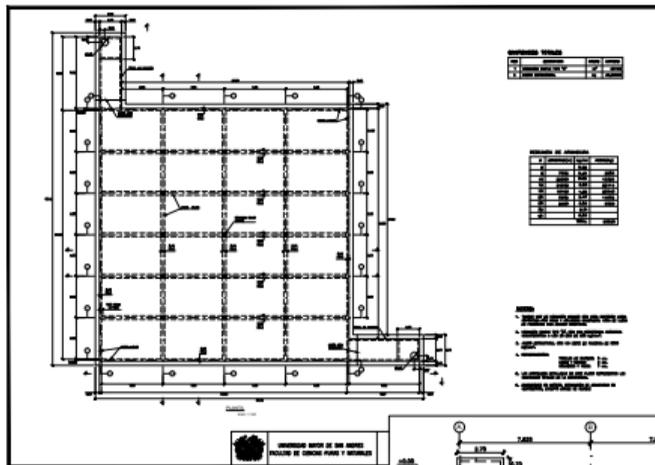
ESTUDIO Y DISEÑO ESTRUCTURAL DEL MÓDULO MD
POOL



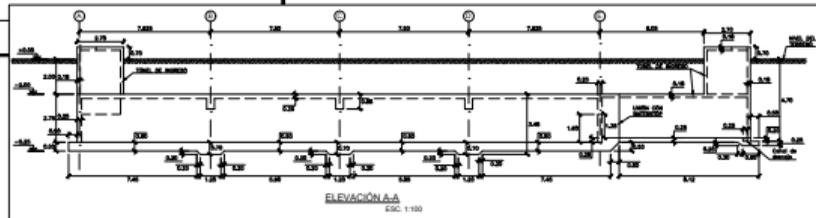
PROYECTO "ALPACA"

FACULTAD DE CIENCIAS PURAS Y NATURALES
UNIVERSIDAD MAYOR DE SAN ANDRÉS

OCTUBRE 2023



Site photo + CG image of MD by design company



- Long discussions with Bolivian design companies => fixed
- Public call for construction company soon
- Construction of the 1st MD will start in 2025
- First gamma-ray sensitive observation starts in 2025

ALPAQUITA Air Shower Array

¼ALPACA-scale air shower array
1m² scintillation detector x 97 with 15m spacing
Effective area ~18,000m²



1m² 5mm lead plate
1m² Scintillator
(50cm x 50cm x 5cm x4)

Inverse pyramid shape
Stainless steel box
(White painted inside)

2-inch PMT x1

Air Shower Trigger Condition :

Any 4 (Any3 since Jun 2024) detectors with >0.6 particles within 600ns

→ Rate ~280Hz @ CR mode energy ~7 TeV

Counting Mode Condition :

Any1, Any2, Any3, Any4 rates every 0.1 sec

Construction status:

2022 Jun. Deploy detectors

2022 Sep. Partial operation

2023 Apr. Full operation

ALPAQUITA monitoring

ALPAQUITA count rate 241016

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#serial_of_detector #number_of_count

Light Leakage
4050 5464
Light Leakage
4052 5587
Light Leakage
4246 5035
Too low count
4252 4
Light Leakage

Max class M1.5 flare occurred at
2024-10-16T13:12:00Z and ended at
2024-10-16T13:38:00Z
Max class M1.3 flare occurred at
2024-10-16T14:29:00Z and ended at
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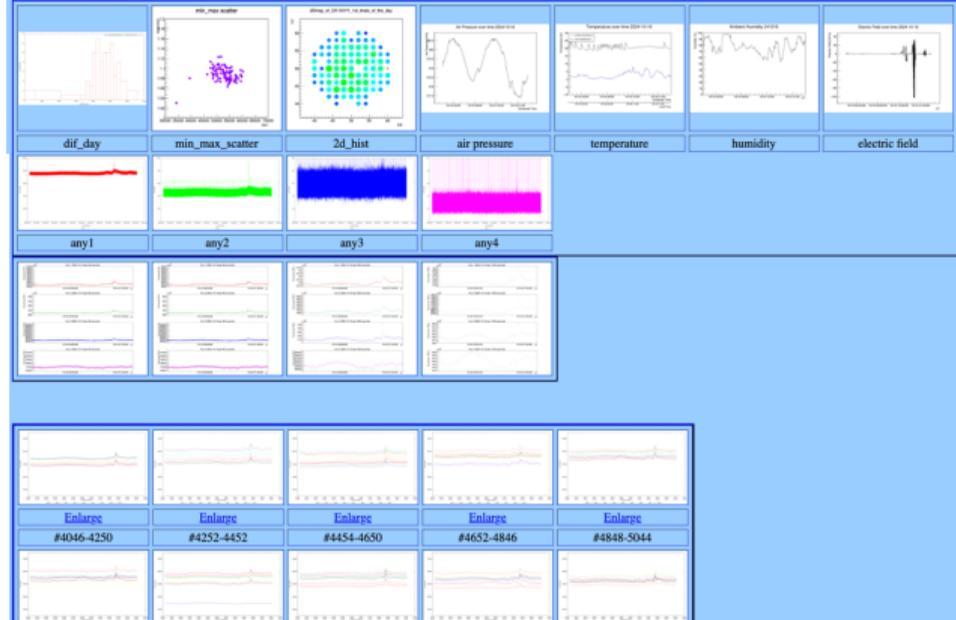
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Daily monitoring

- Eye scan
- Automatic failure detection

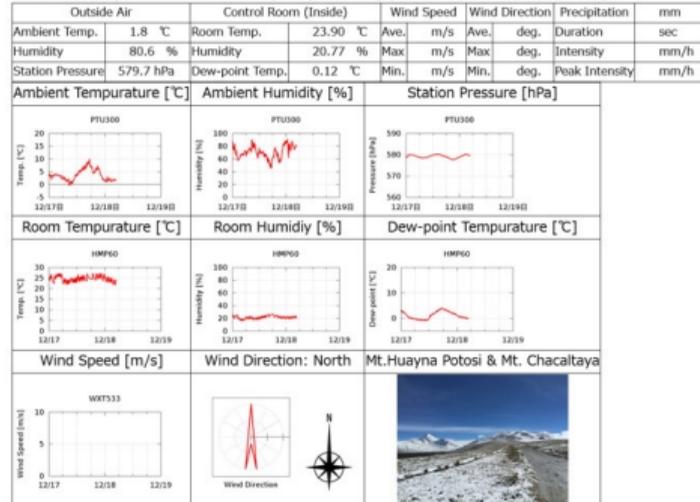
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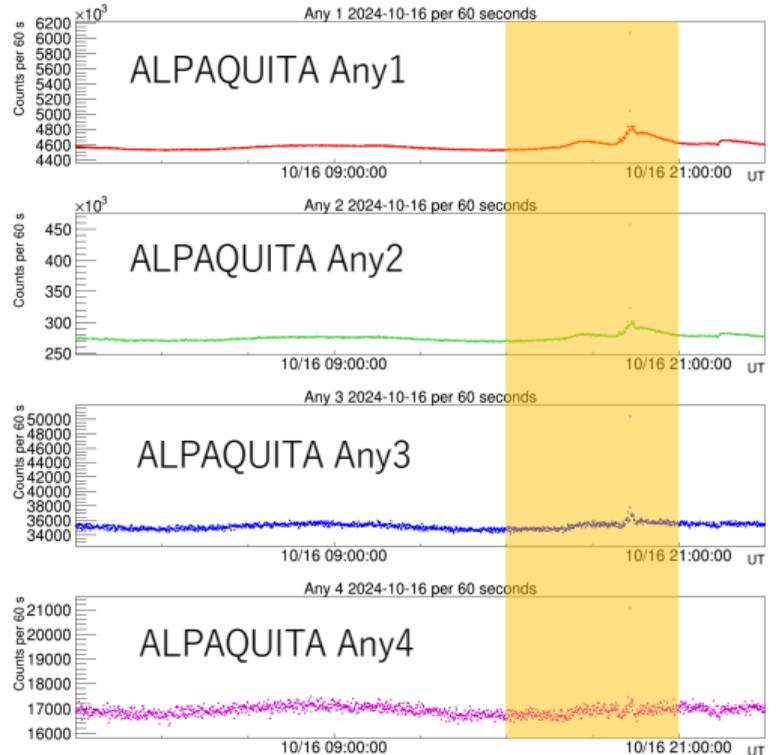
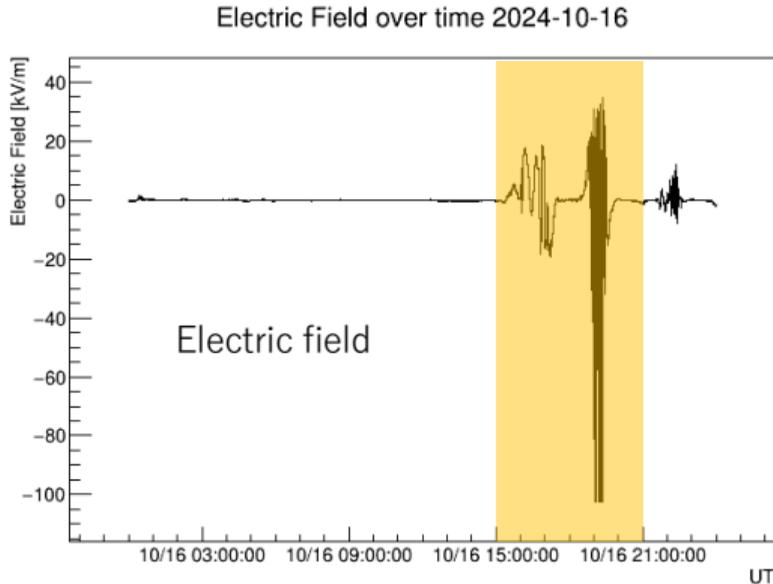


Environment Monitor at 04:45:11_2024/12/18

The ALPACA Experiment at Cerro Estuqueria, Bolivia (updated 04:45:11_2024/12/18)



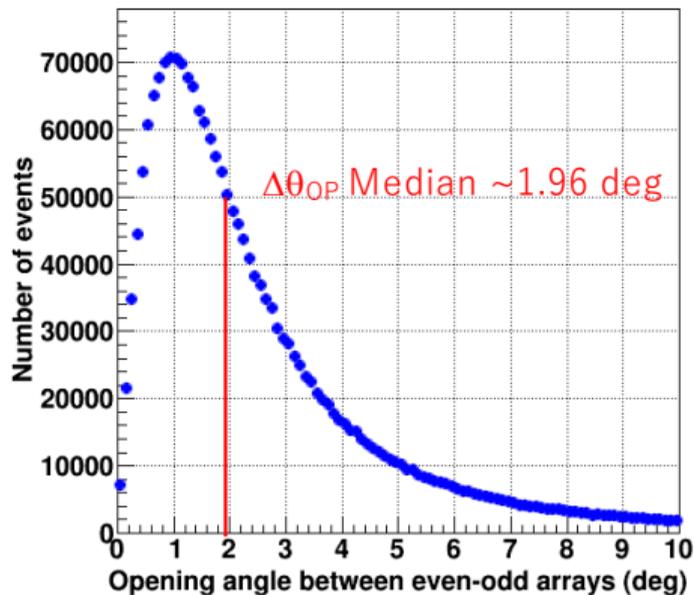
Electric field correlation?



Performance of ALPAQUITA Even-Odd Method

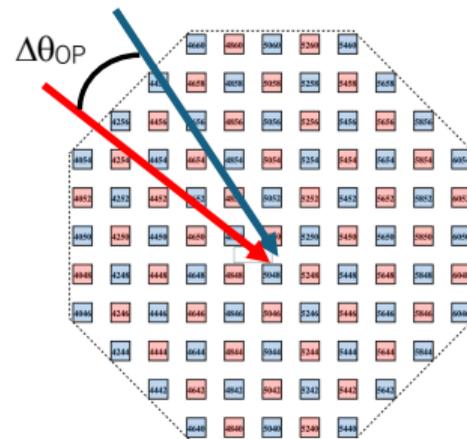
Event selection criteria:

- Zenith angle < 40deg
- In Array flag = on
- 1.25 Any 4 flag = on
- Residual error < 1.0

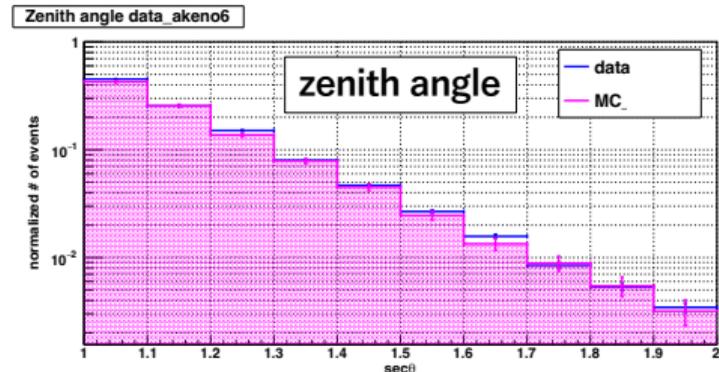
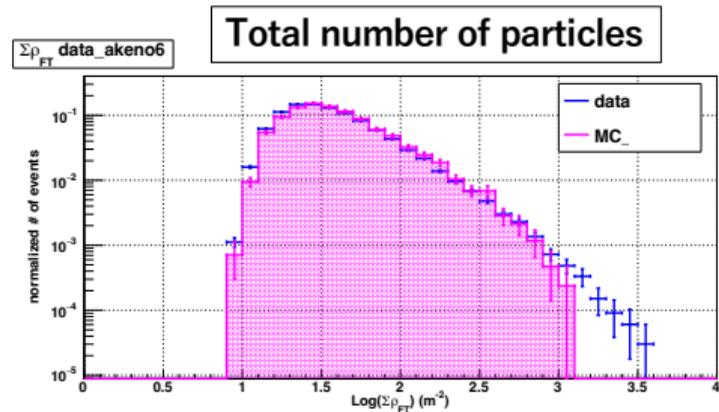
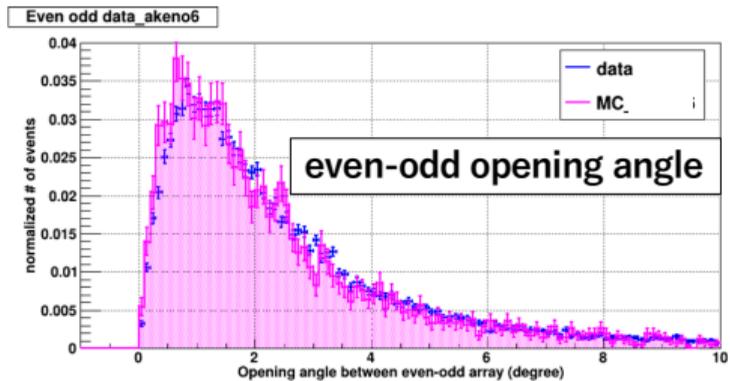


Even-Odd opening angle :
Opening angle between directions determined
by two independent arrays (even and odd arrays)

Angular resolution
 $\sigma_{50} = \Delta\theta_{OP} / 2 = \sim 1^\circ$

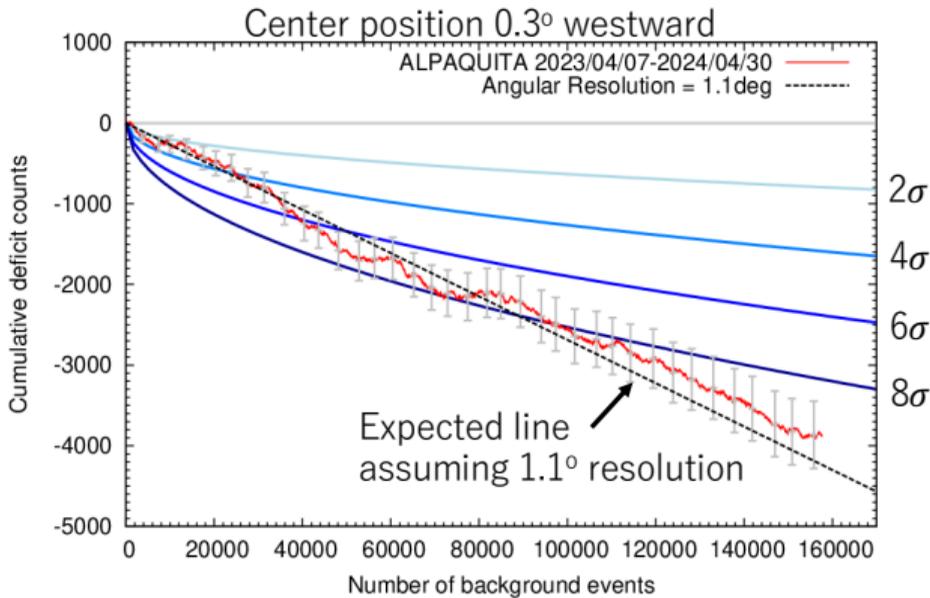
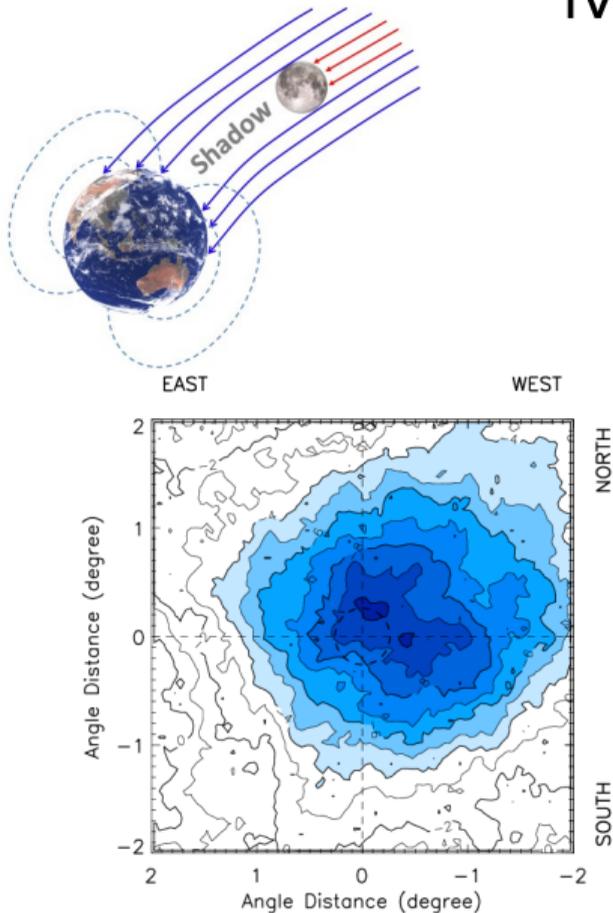


Data-MC comparison



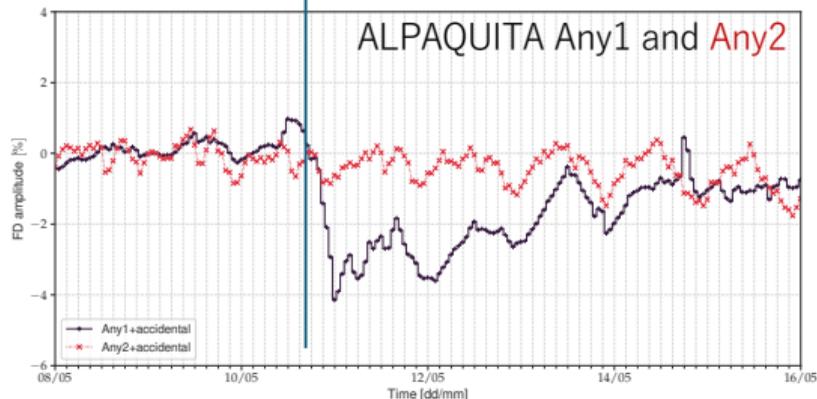
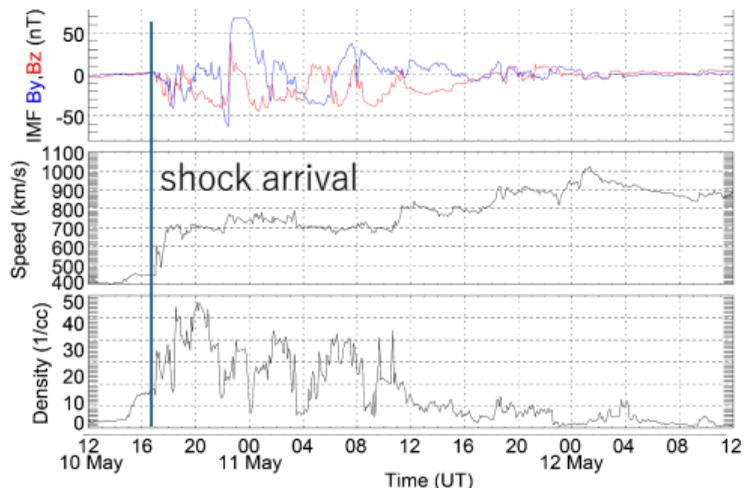
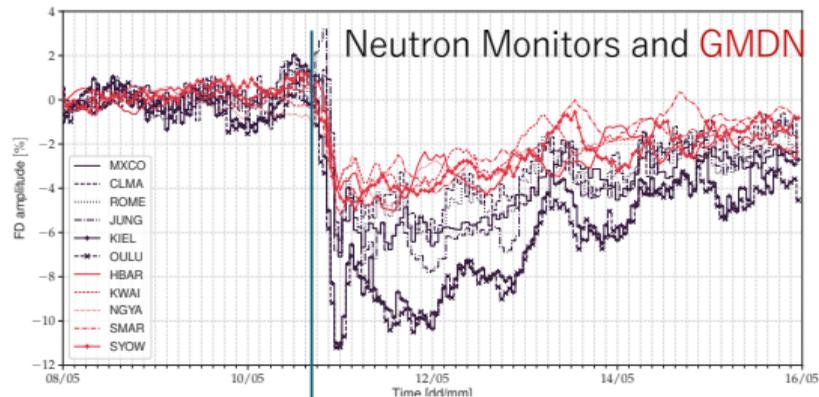
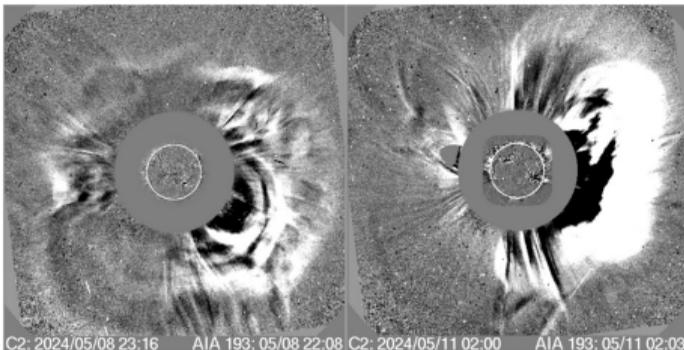
- Detector calibration data are taken into account
- Good agreement between experimental data and MC
- Air shower array shows expected performance

Moon Shadow

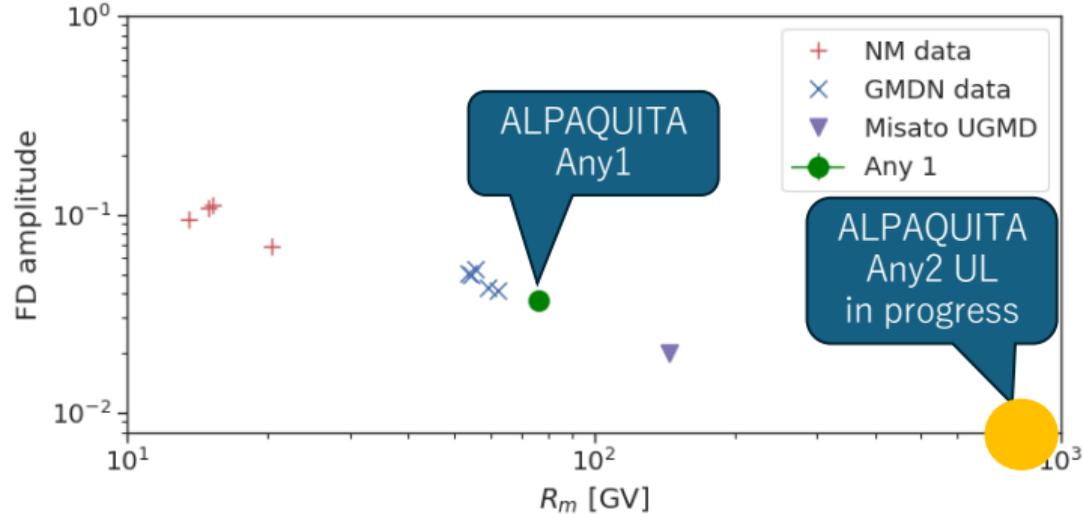
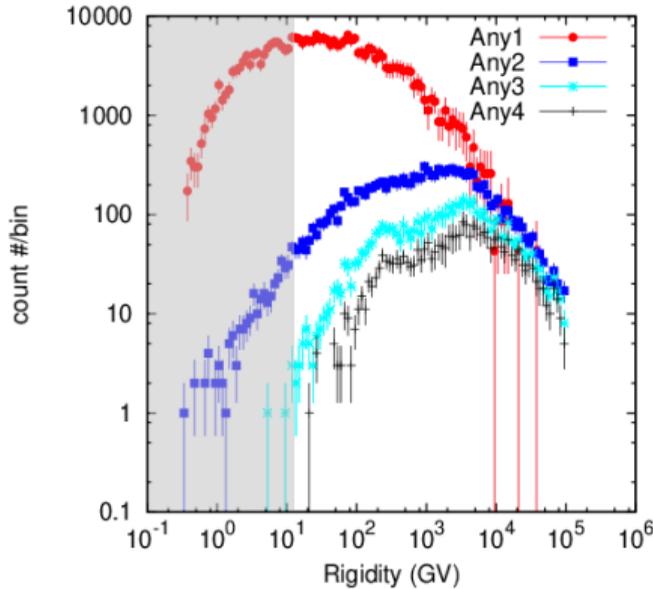


- Shadow of the moon is clearly detected at $>8\sigma$
- Evolution of the deficit depth suggests the angular resolution of 1.1° (mode energy = a few TeV)

Forbush decrease in May 2024



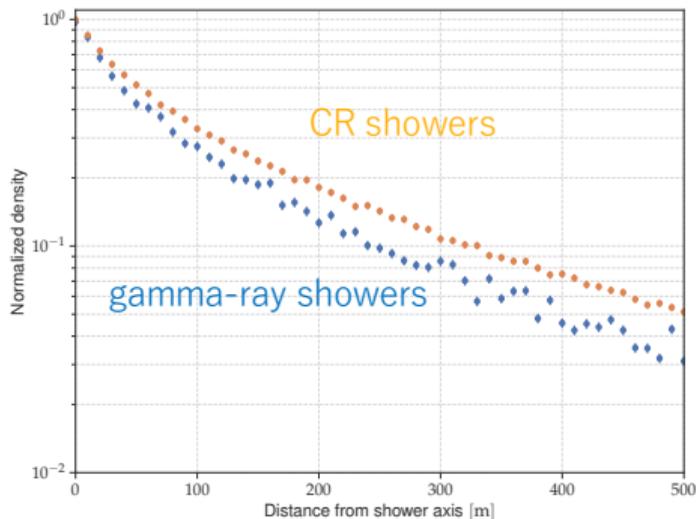
Median rigidity and amplitude



- ALPAQUITA response function in CR rigidity
- MC simulation with a model CR spectrum and composition
- Median rigidity above 12GV geomagnetic cutoff
Any1:76GV, Any2:960GV

- Median rigidity and FD amplitude
- ALPAQUITA Any1 aligns with the traditional experiments
- ALPAQUITA Any2 will give a strong constraints at highest rigidity (UL determination in progress)

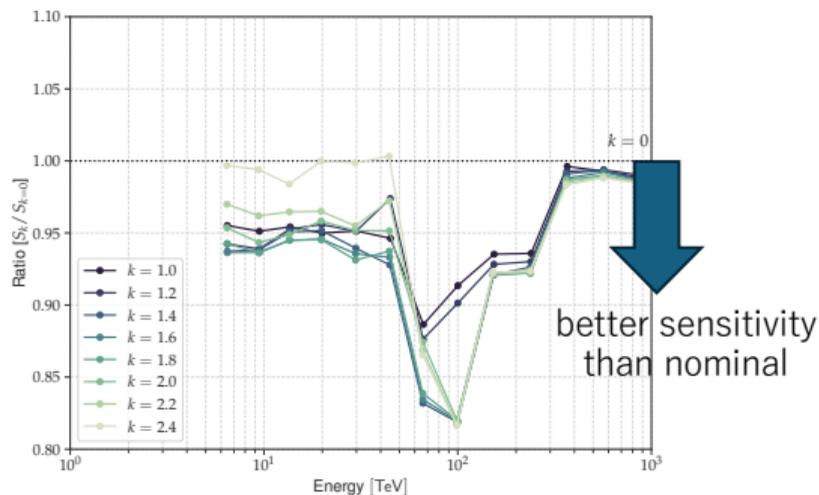
PID with Muon lateral (MC study)



$$m_k = \sum_j N_j \times \left(\frac{R_j}{R_n} \right)^k$$

lateral distance weighted N_{mu}
 $k=0$: nominal

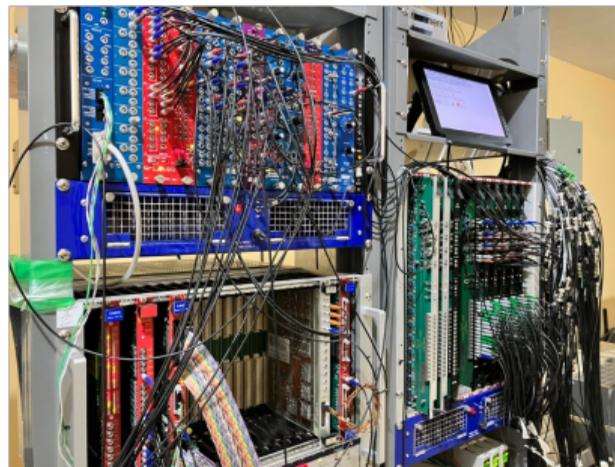
Experimental Astronomy, accepted (2025)



sensitivity improvement w.r.t. $k=0$ (nominal)

Summary

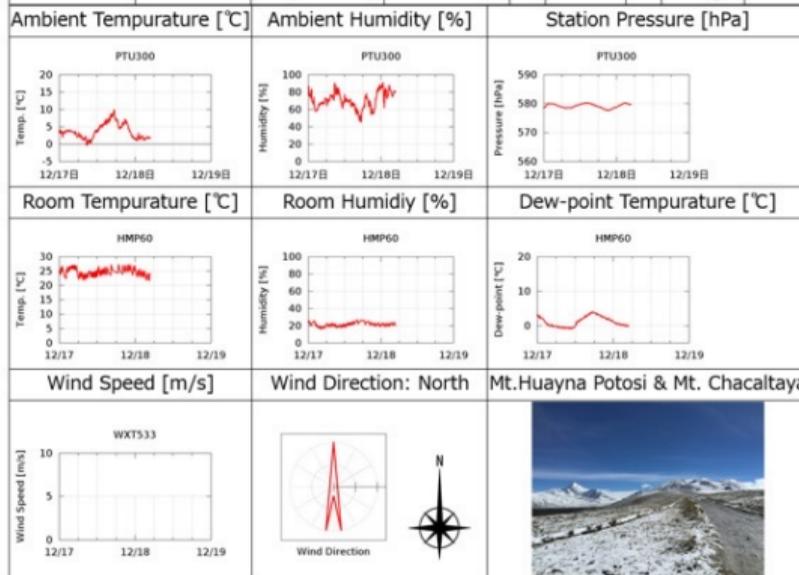
- 南半球でsub-PeVガンマ線を観測するALPACA実験を進行中
- ¼サイズのALPAQUITA地上アレイが稼働中
 - 雷同期事象を観測か
 - 基本特性（天頂角、 $\sum\rho$ 、even-odd開き角）をMCで再現
 - 月の影を10シグマで確認
 - Counting modeで Forbush decreaseを検出。~1TVで制限。
 - Muon lateral分布を利用したガンマ線検出感度向上
- 2025年に地下ミュオン検出器1号機を建設し、ガンマ線天文学を開始
- 2026年に Full ALPACA (w/ 4 MDs)を完成し、本格的な観測を開始



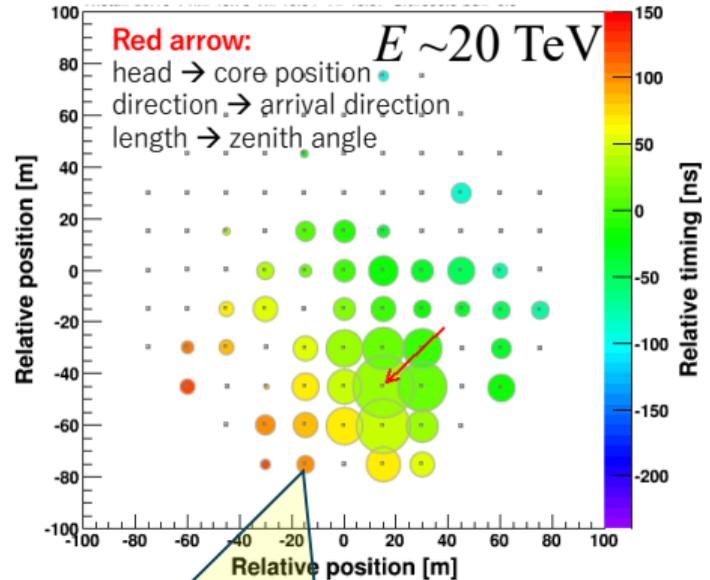
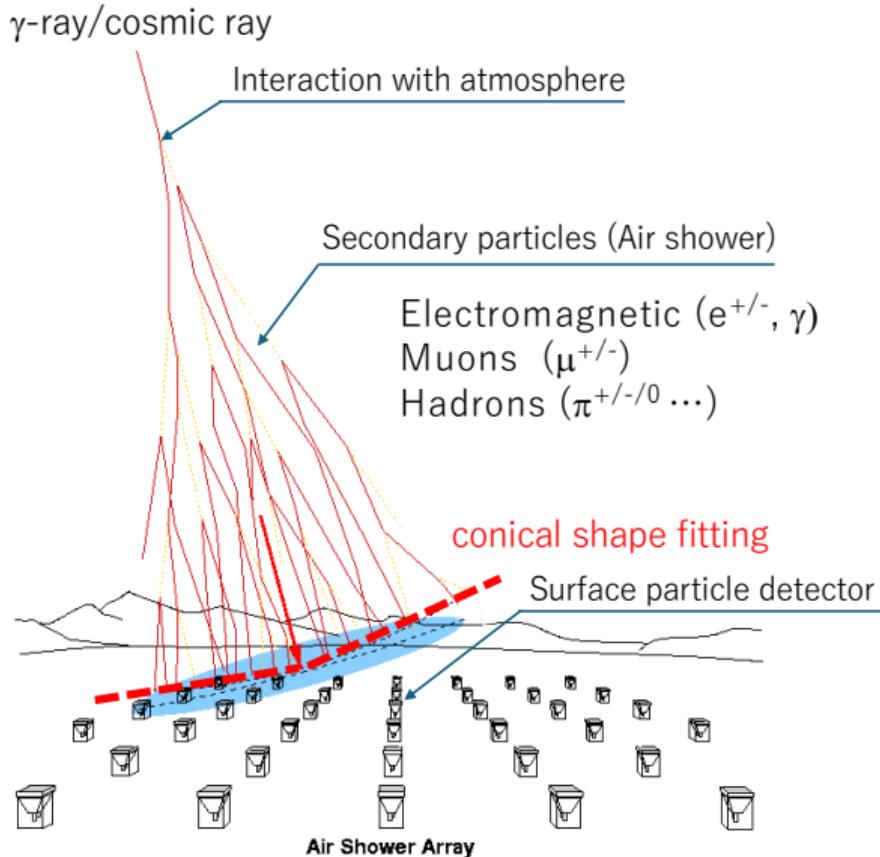
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The ALPACA Experiment at Cerro Estuqueria, Bolivia (updated 04:45:11_2024/12/18)

Outside Air		Control Room (Inside)		Wind Speed		Wind Direction		Precipitation	mm
Ambient Temp.	1.8 °C	Room Temp.	23.90 °C	Ave.	m/s	Ave.	deg.	Duration	sec
Humidity	80.6 %	Humidity	20.77 %	Max	m/s	Max	deg.	Intensity	mm/h
Station Pressure	579.7 hPa	Dew-point Temp.	0.12 °C	Min.	m/s	Min.	deg.	Peak Intensity	mm/h

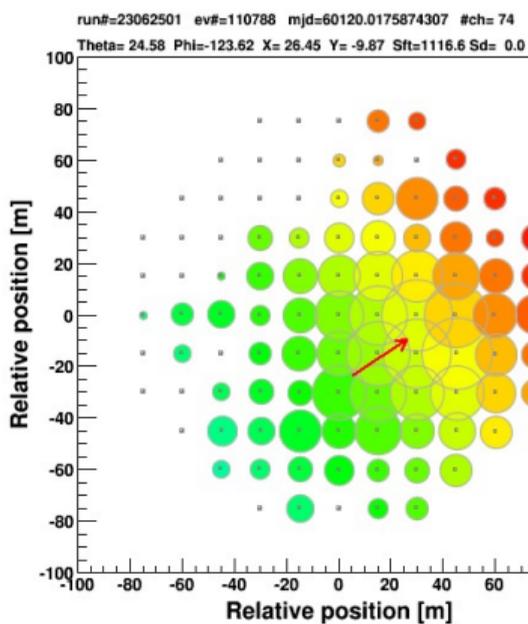


ALPAQUITA Air Shower Analysis

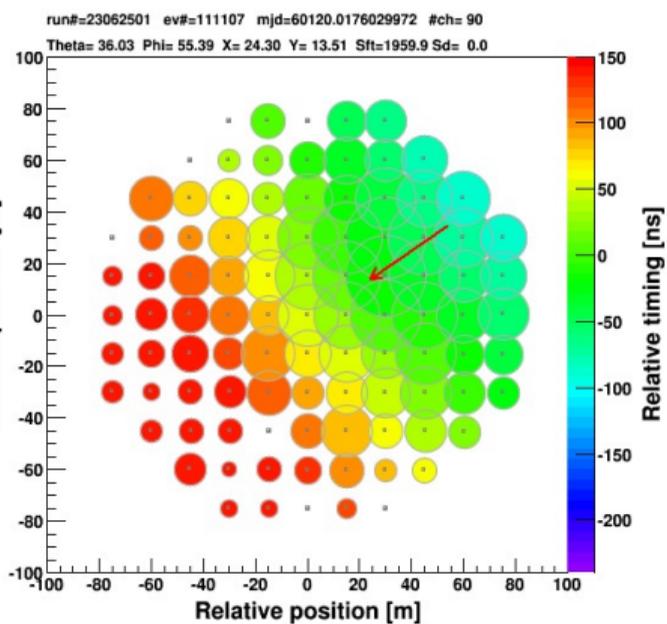
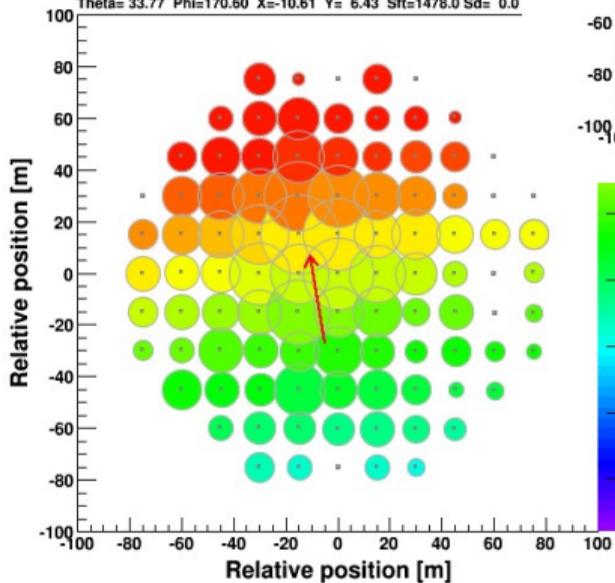


1. Relative arrival timing (Color scale)
 2. Number of particles (Circle size)
- \rightarrow Reconstruct direction and energy

Big Events!



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Theta= 33.77 Phi=170.60 X=-10.61 Y= 6.43 Sft=1478.0 Sd= 0.0



$E > 100$ TeV
(mostly hadronic CRs)