

Dark Matter Physics International Research Center

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Two major agenda in KMI

- Missing anti-matter → Flavor physics and CP violation

Successfully funded by MEXT

FlaP (2023-)

- Dark Matter and Dark Energy

JSPS Core-to-Core Program
DMnet (2020-2024)

- Create research network
- Support long-term stays of young researchers

Started by KMI internal resource
(unsuccessful funding application for 2025)

DarMa (2025-)

Nagoya U. WPI-next unit*)
DMunit (2022-2024)

Extended 2025-26

- R&D future liquid Xe technology
- Synergy of underground experiment for dark matter and neutrinos

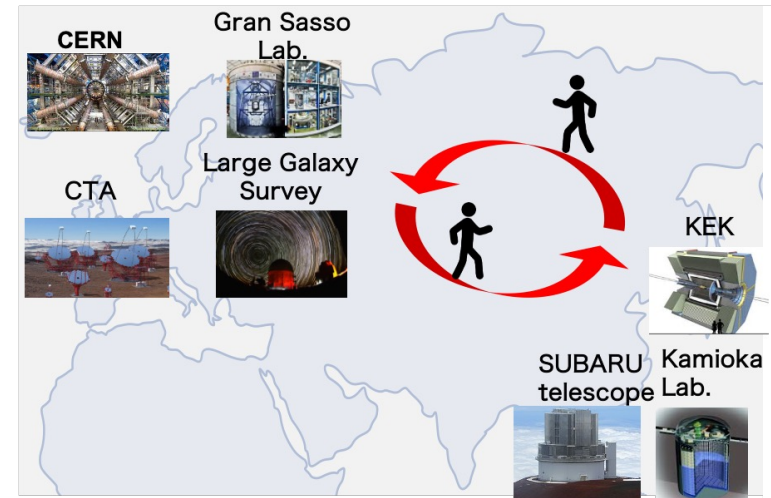
*) WPI-next unit: Cutting-Edge International Research Unit promoted by Nagoya U.

Purpose of DMnet

Fostering international research network to reveal dark matter

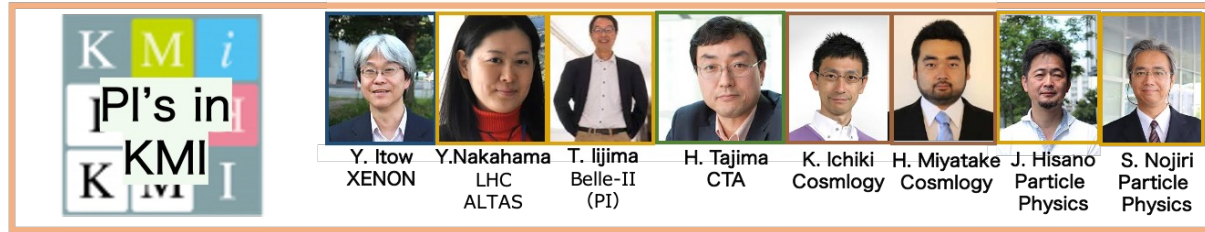
Interdisciplinary approach between theoretical and experimental studies in particle and astrophysics

Cooperation with major research hubs and promotion of intensive interactions among researchers



- Fostering young researchers across the fields and the borders (both of researches and of countries)
- Creation of research hub for dark matter searches covering various theories and experiments

DMnet international research network started in 2020



Max Planck Institute for Nuclear Physics 

INFN Padova 

Hub of astroparticle and particle physics in Europe

Hub of particle physics, gamma rays obs. and B physics in Europe



J. HINTON
CTA

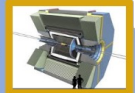


M. LINDNER
XENON
(Co-PI)



XENONnT

Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)



KEK superB-Belle-II



E. Torassa
Belle-II

KMI, Nagoya Univ. 

Hub of LHC and cosmology in Europe

Hub of particle physics in Asia



C. LEONIDOPOULOS
LHC-ALTAS



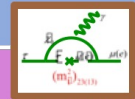
J. PEACOCK
Cosmology



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Observational cosmology



Particle physics



K. CHOI
Theory of Particle Physics

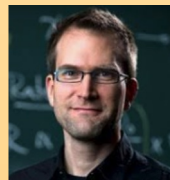
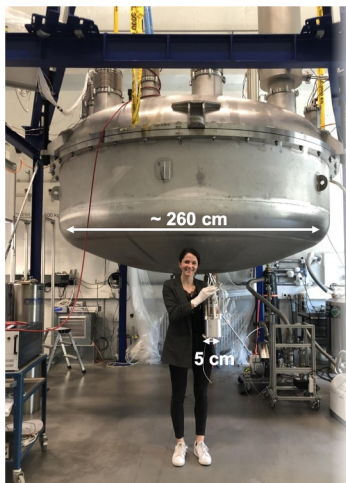
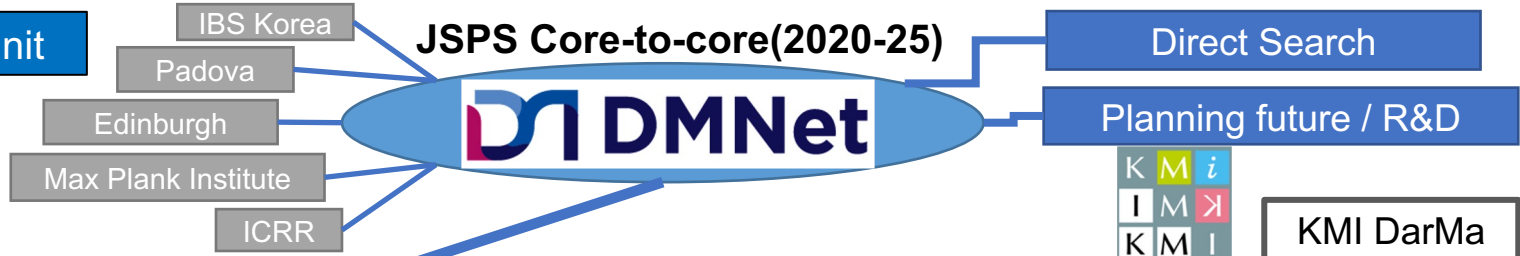


Particle Cosmology

The University of Edinburgh 

Institute for Basic Science 

Overview of DMunit



M.Schuman (44)

- DARWIN Co-PI
- DMnet Co-PI
- Dedicated liquid Xe facility



XENON
DARWIN/XLZD



J.Hisano



S.Kazama



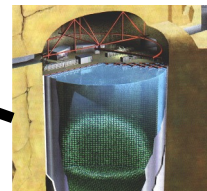
M.Kobayashi



Y.Itow

KMI DarMa

merged/unified



INDEES2021 workshop

DMunit (2022-24): "S"-rating in the final evaluation
Decided extension for 2025-26



- ① Direct DM Search
 - XENONnT operation
 - Analysis core in Japan
 - Various new DM searches

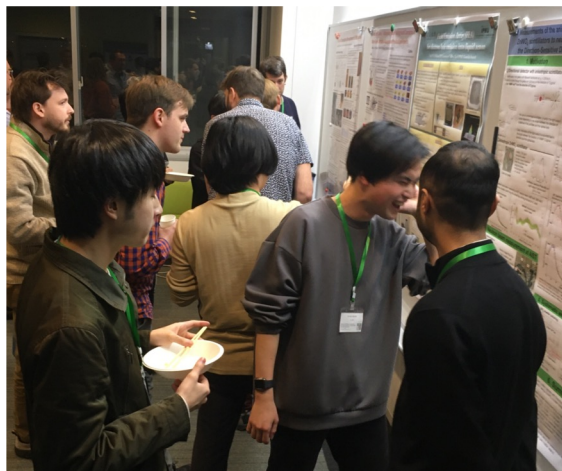
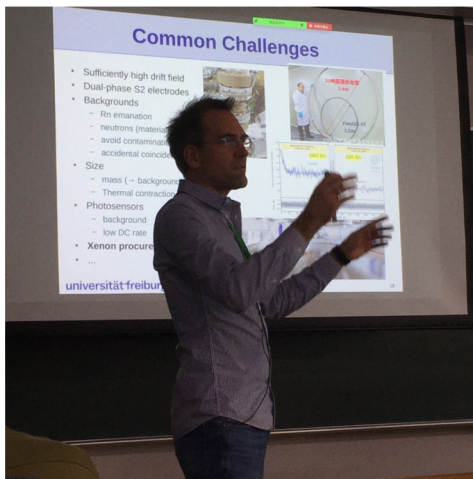
- ② R&D future liquid Xe detector
 - Toward O(50t) LXe detector
 - Hermetic TPC
 - low-BG low-dark VUV photosensors

- ③ International workshop
 - Liquid noble gas technology
 - DM-neutrino physics
 - Theory – experiment

International meetings by DMnet / DMunit

Technical workshop by DMunit:
"Nagoya Workshop on Technology and
Instrumentation in Future Liquid Noble Gas Detectors"
(2024 Feb14-16@KMI)

- JSPS "DMnet" Symposium focusing on direct detection (2022 MPIK, 2024 IBS)



DMnet symposium@2022, MPIK

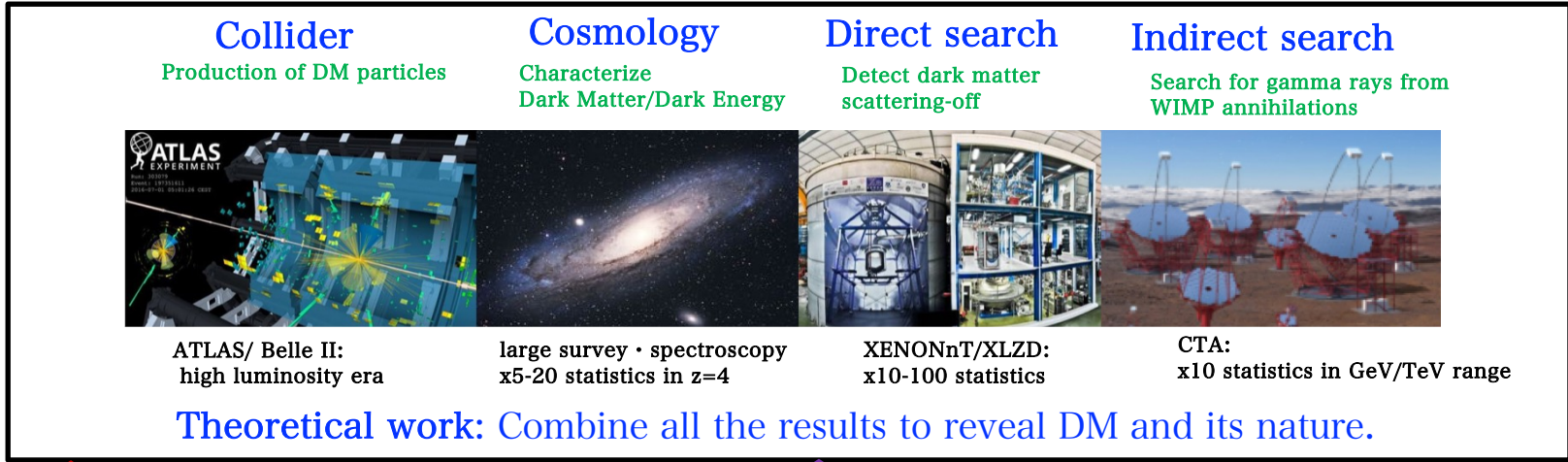


DMnet symposium@2024, Korea IBS

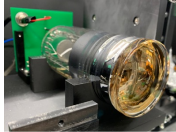
M. Schumann and colleagues from Freiburg Univ,
and 52 participants including 35 overseas from 7
countries

Dark Matter Physics at KMI-DarMa

- Promote international research hub for dark matter physics with many milestones foreseen in 2020's.
- All-direction approach: Combine direct/indirect/accelerator/observational cosmology to reveal DM



R&D cutting-edge hardware
Excellent/highly-regarded? "Monozukuri"

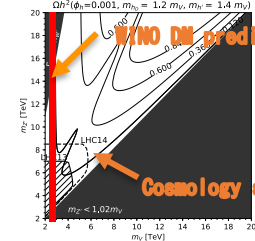


Combining knowledge,
cross-field research
Theory-experiment collaboration



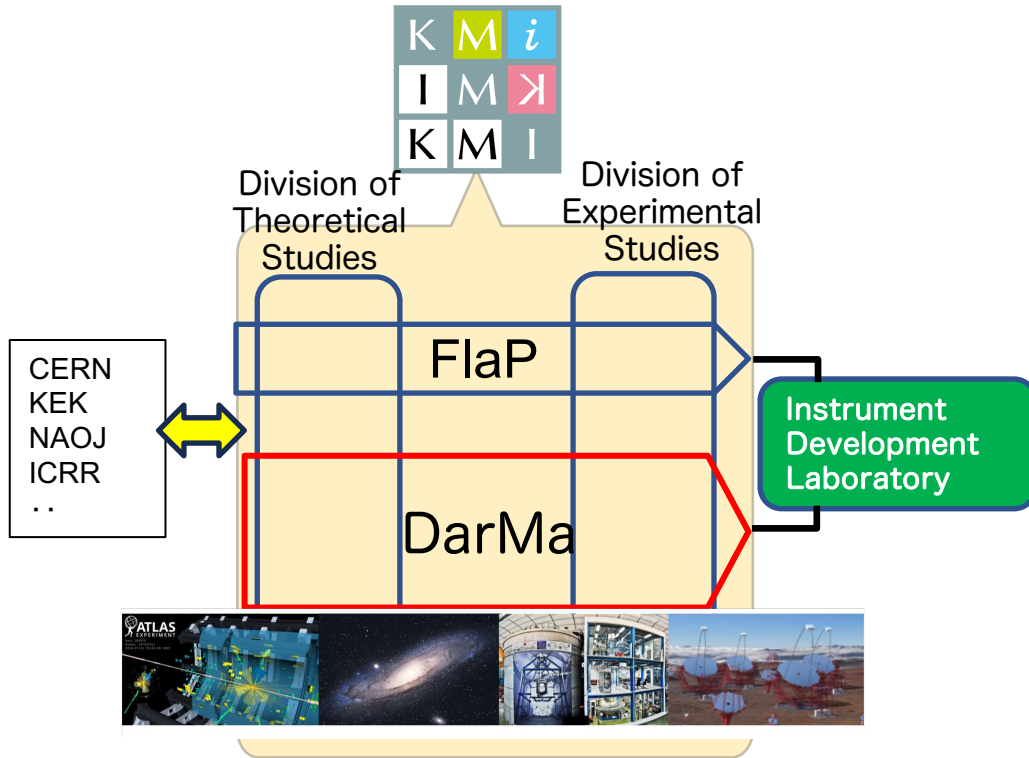
Workshop/School covering
diverse fields and approaches.

Ex) Combing indirect DM
results and particle theory/
observational cosmology



Cross-appointment and global-networking
Exchanges of students/early carrier researchers.

Organization of DarMa



- H. Tajima (Head of Center; Indirect detection)
- S. Kazama (Direct detection)
- Y. Horii (Collider)
- K. Inami (Collider)
- H. Miyatake (Cosmology)
- S. Yokoyama (Cosmology)
- J. Hisano (Theory)
- K. Tobe (Theory)
- Y. Maekawa (Theory)
- T. Shiromizu (Theory)

Summary

- Nature of dark matter needs multiple approach to be revealed
- DarMa is kicked-off to integrate all the efforts of different areas (direct, indirect, collider, cosmology and theory), and two divisions (experimental and theoretical studies)
- DarMa will be a hub to promote international research network with legacy of DMnet and DMunit.
- Stay tuned !

Backup