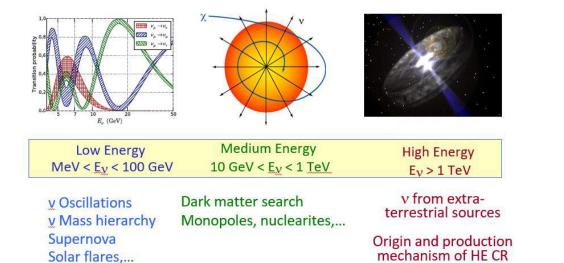




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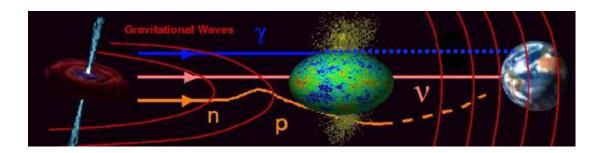




+ oceanography, biology, seismology,...

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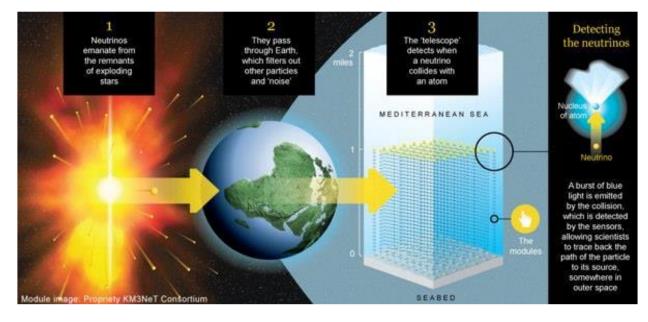


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#### **Neutrinos:**

- No electric charge
- Very low interaction with the matter (hard to detect)
- Non-deviated trajectory
- Travel across cosmological distances
- A large energy range
- A new window to study and observe the Universe





## **General context of the experiment – KM3NeT Colaboration**



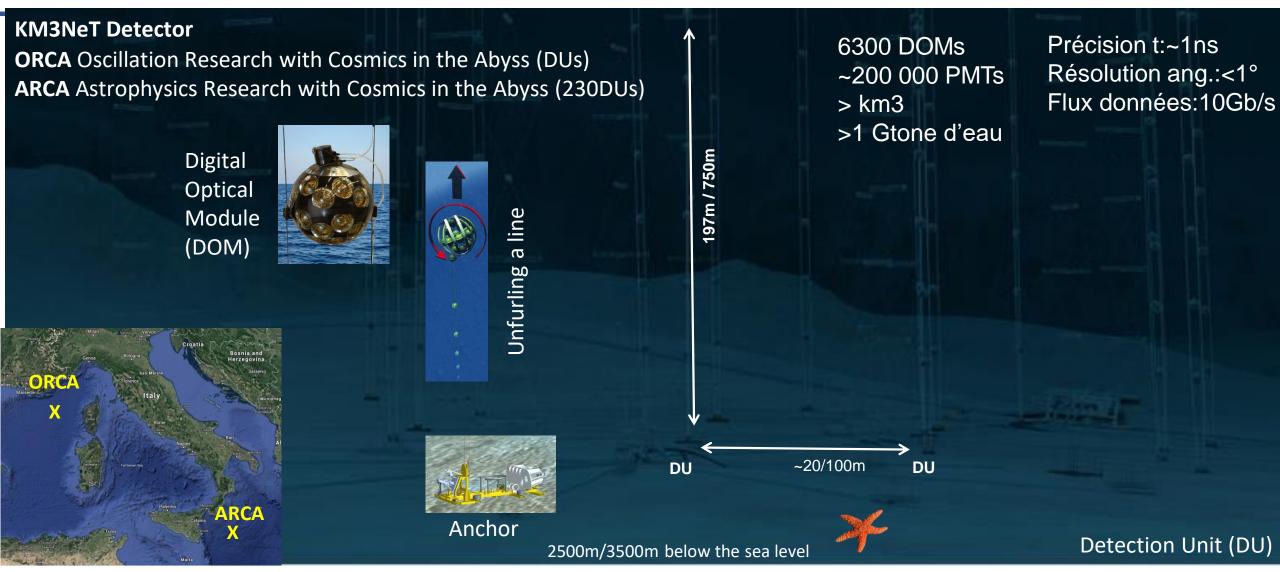
- ESFRI Roadmap Project: «Infrastructure de Recherche d'excellence»
- 18 countries
- ❖ 60 instituts
- ❖ 300 personnes
- ❖ 3 sites:
  - ORCA(2500m,France)
  - ARCA (3500m, Italie)
  - ❖ Grèce(TBC)
- ❖ Started: 2013
- Expected to end: 2026(ORCA) 2028(ARCA)





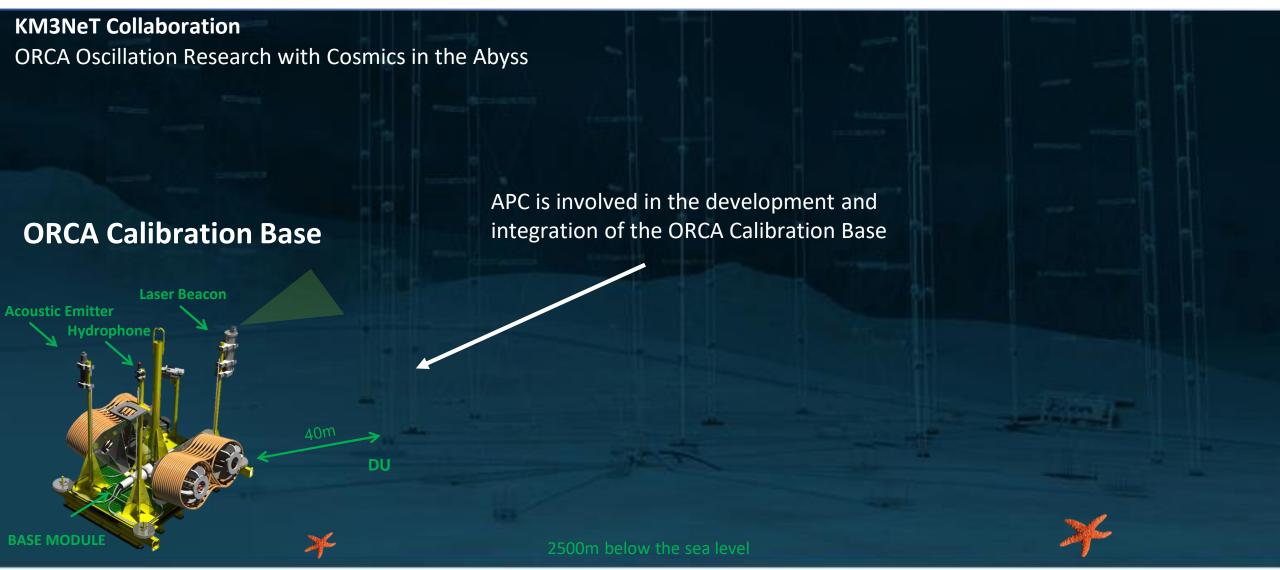
## **General context of the experiment**













## **Objectives of the ORCA Calibration base**



#### **Scientific Objectives:**

Complementary **Time calibration** method for ORCA KM3NeT detector lines

**Base module Developed at APC** 

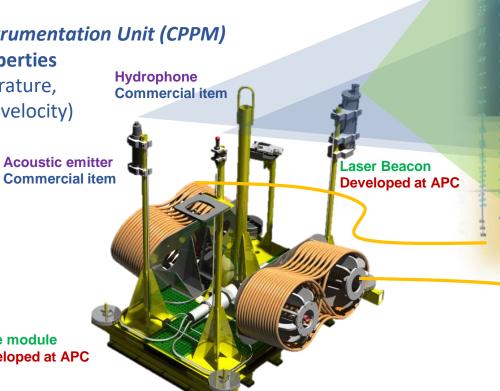
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- **Laser Beacon**
- Part of the **Long Base Line Positioning system** of the detector
  - **Hydrophone and Acoustic Emitter**

#### **Technical Objectives:**

Connect and command the *Instrumentation Unit (CPPM)* used to monitor sea water properties (conductivity, pressure, temperature,

salinity, current profiler, sound velocity)



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**Instrumentation Unit** (CPPM – Marseille)

185m

100m

15m

**ORCA Detector (artist view)** 





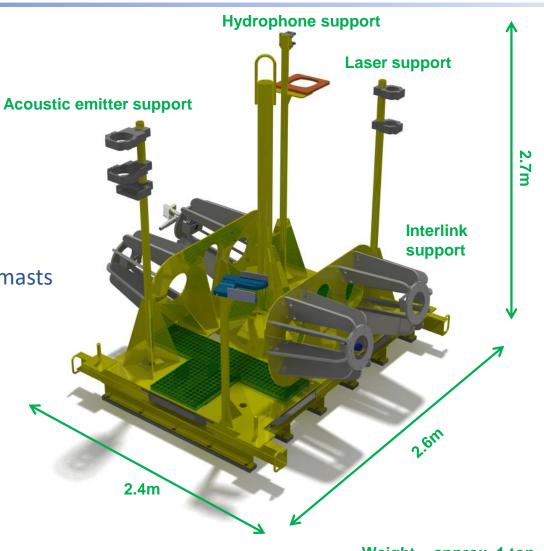
#### Support structure of the ORCA Calibration Base (Anchor)

- Design of the steel anchor structure
  - (35mechanical drawings)
- Design of interlink support
- Design of instrument fixation
- Define materials, overall dimensions, height of instrument masts
- Anodes corrosion protection

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Documentation (Integration procedures, Qualification, etc)

**Delivered in June 2020** 



Weight = approx. 1 ton









# CPPM/La Seyne sur Mer June 2020

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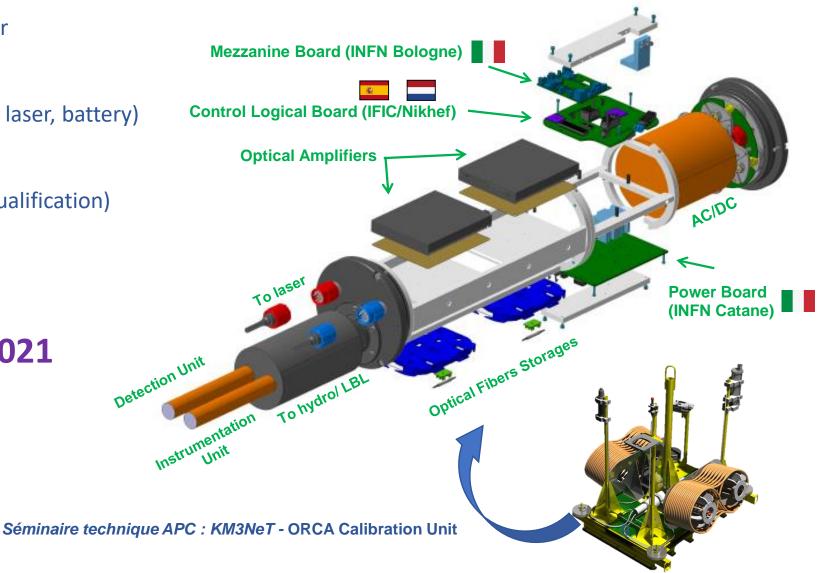




#### 1. Base Module

- Design of the external container
- Design Internal support
- Electronics integration (boards, laser, battery)
- Internal Cabling
- Documentation (Integration, Qualification)

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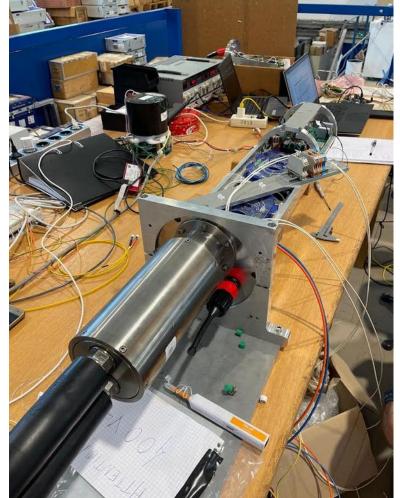








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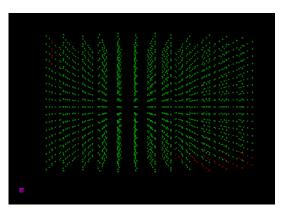


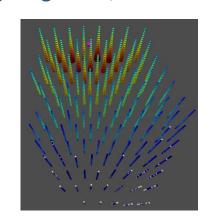


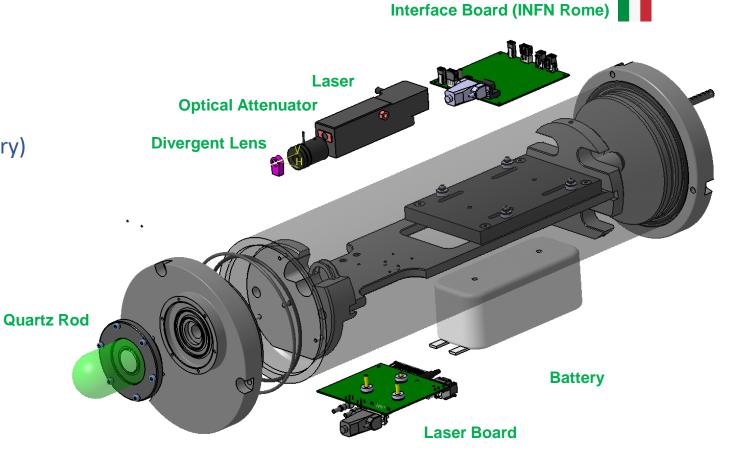


#### 1. Laser Beacon

- Design of the external container
- Design Internal support
- Electronics integration (boards, laser, battery)
- Internal Cabling
- Optical Simulations (performances)
- □ Documentation (Integration, Qualification)







**Laser Beacon - Optical Simulations ORCA** 

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### **Laser Beacons:**

ORCA delivered by July 2021 ARCA 1 delivered by March 2022

ARCA 2 expected to be delivered in June 2022





#### **Electronics / Instrumentation**

- Claude BOUTONNET
- Jean LESREL (Technical Coordination)

#### **Software / Firmware**

Cedric CHAMPION

#### **Quality / Documentation**

Stéphane COLONGES (RAMS Manager in Project Office)

#### **Optics / Time Calibration**

Alexandre CREUSOT (Scientific Coordination)

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#### **Mechanics / Workshop**

- Alin ILIONI (Technical Coordination)
- Stéphane **DHEILLY**

#### **Administrative**

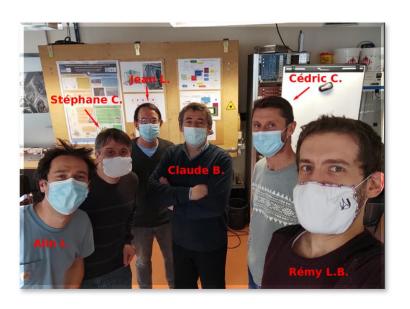
- Lydie PAVILI-BALADINE
- Beatrice SILVA

#### **Project coordinator APC**

- Joao Cohelo
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#### **KM3NeT Technical Project Coordinator**

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## Main challenges and difficulties



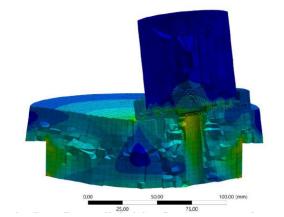
#### Laser Beacon Pressure Qualification Tests:





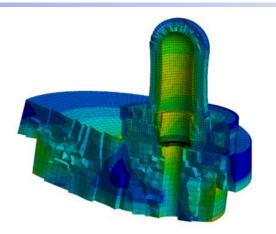
















### Main challenges and difficulties



#### **❖** Software/Firmware – User Interface

- Developed remotely inside the collaboration (human resources problems)
- Solving software/firmware bugs remotely time consuming

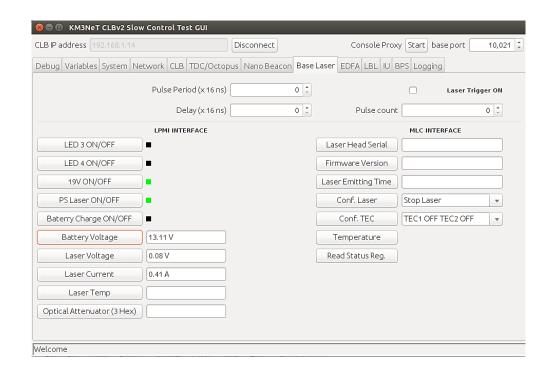
#### Increasing the reliability of the Laser Beacon (10 years)

- Lifetime of the battery defining charging/discharging cycles
- Dealing with the laser power and other optical components (attenuator – divergent lens)
- Final communication tests with Instrumentation Unit
  - Interference with other important tasks at CPPM
- Being at the end of the integration chain

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- Dealing with the delays
- Tight planning

## **Calibration Unit Graphic User Interface**





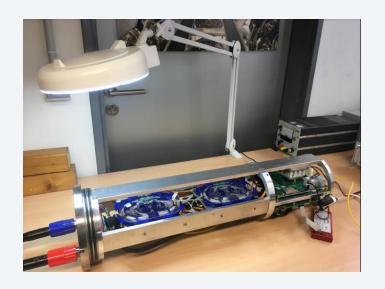
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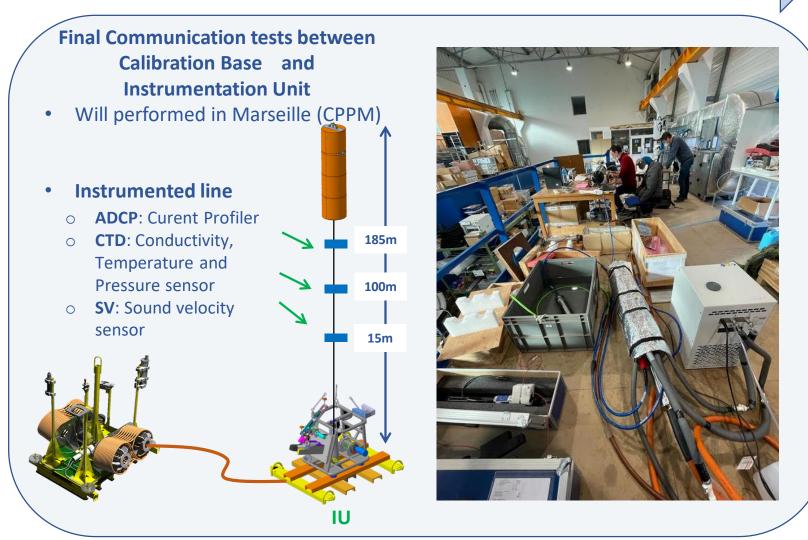
### May 2021 July 2021

#### **External Review of the Base Module**

- Mechanical Design
- Electronics
- Optics
- Power



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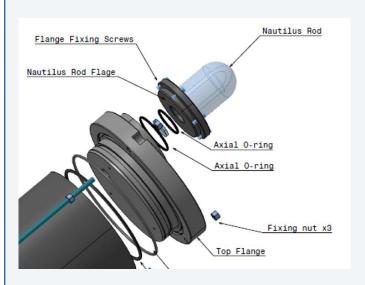


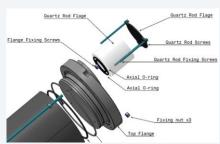
## **Important milestones**

**July 2021** 

## Pressure qualification test of the Laser Beacon Container -

• 2 Different Mechanical Designs are now being analyzed



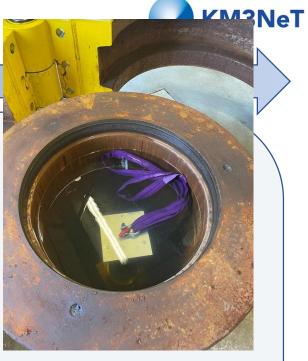


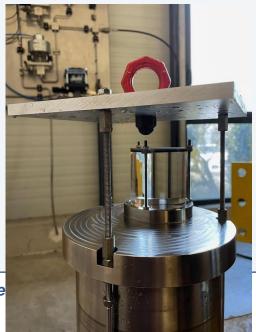
Qualified for 2500m (ORCA)

Qualified for 3500m (both ORCA and ARCA)













### **Important milestones**



March 2022 May/June 2022

## ARCA 1 Laser Beacon has been delivered in Italy

- Installed on the Junction Box 1
- First communication test OK
- In the next days new pressure test will be performed before deployment in June 22



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## ARCA 2 Laser Beacon expected to be delivered

- Will be installed on JB2
- Expected to be deployed in September 2022
- Currently being tested in the Black Chamber



## Deployment of the ORCA Calibration Unit

 Delayed several times due to COVID and FW issues



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## **Concluding remarks**



- APC developed **strong competences** in instrument development adapted for **marine environment**
- New possible **technical contributions in KM3NeT**Collaboration are now being investigated
- Exploitation of the ORCA Calibration Unit data
  keep being involved in the time calibration team

