



ECFA Detector R&D Roadmap:

TF2 Liquid Detectors

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TF2: Liquid Detectors

- TF1 Gaseous Detectors <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214405/>
- **TF2 Liquid Detectors <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214404/>**
- TF3 Solid State Detectors <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214410/>
- TF4 Photon Detectors and PID <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214407/>
- TF5 Quantum and Emerging Technologies <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214411/>
- TF6 Calorimetry <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1213733/>
- TF7 Electronics and On-detector Processing <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214423/>
- TF8 Integration <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214428/>
- TF9 Training <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1214429/>

TF2: scope and organization

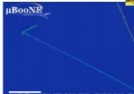
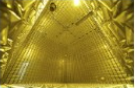

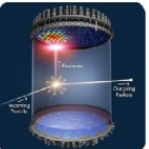
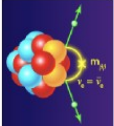


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The Science covered

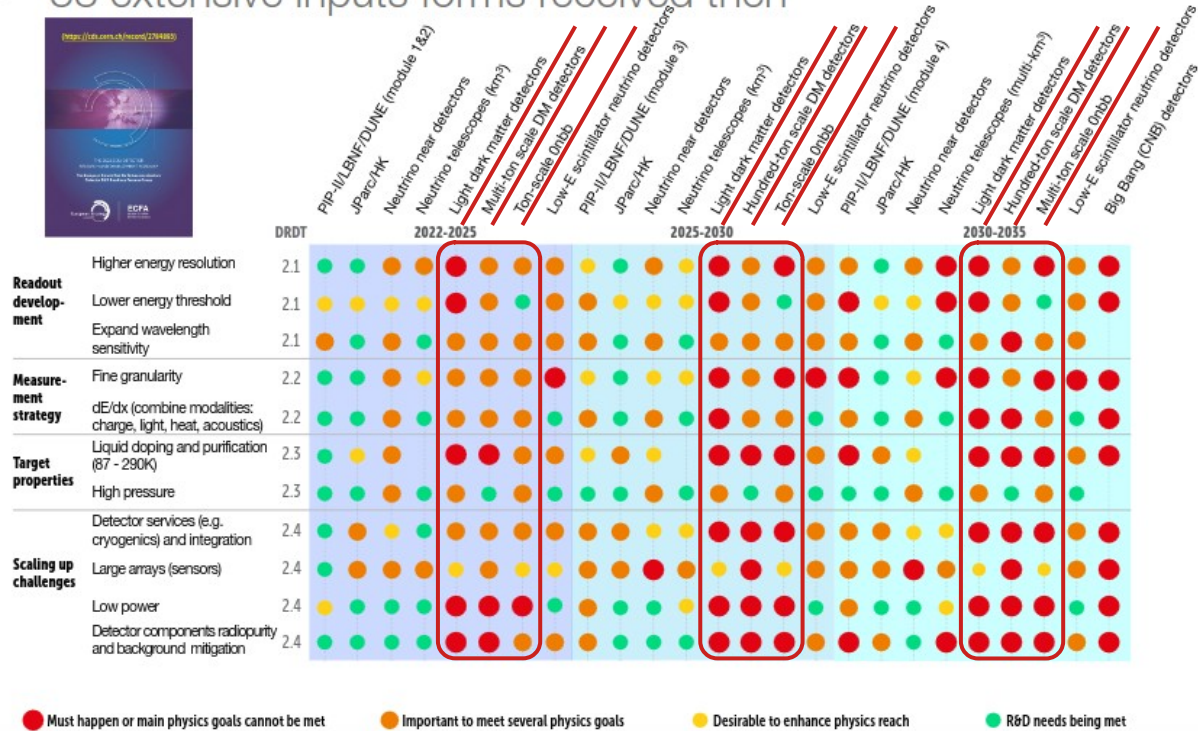
Neutrinos	Dark Matter	$0\nu\beta\beta$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oscillation precision measurements (δ_{CP}, mass ordering, θ_{23} octant, sterile νs) Neutrino interactions (from CEvNS to DIS) Astro neutrinos  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct detection (WIMPs, ...)  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Search for Majorana neutrinos   
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The Experiments (not exhaustive)

Neutrinos	Dark Matter	$0\nu\beta\beta$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ MicroBooNE & SBN ✓ LArIAT ✓ protoDUNES ✓ CAPTAIN ✓ COHERENT ✓ Borexino ✓ SK ✓ Antares ✓ KM3Net Future generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ DUNE modules 1 & 2 ✓ DUNE near detectors ✓ DUNE modules 3 & 4 ✓ HK ✓ Future neutrino telescopes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ LUX / LZ ✓ XENON 10/100/1T/nT ✓ Dark Side 50/20k ✓ DEAP-3600 ✓ Panda-X Future generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ XLZD ✓ GADMC/Argo ✓ HeRALD ✓ SBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ EXO-200 ✓ KamLand-Zen ✓ SNO+ Future generation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ nEXO ✓ KL-Z+ ✓ Upgrades to SNO+
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TF2: Roadmap

- TF2 Symposium was held on 9 April 2021 ([link](#)) with 6 expert talks, + ~20 breakout room discussions led by 11 early career experts, ~125 attendees (> 80% in discussions)
- 38 extensive inputs forms received then



Concerning LPNHE:

- Multi-ton scale DM detectors

Other interesting developments:

- Light dark matter detectors
- Ton-scale Onbb

Working Packages

WP 1: Charge Readout	WP 2: Light Readout	WP 3: Target Properties	WP4: Scaling-up challenges
1.1: Pixels	2.1: Increased sensor QE	3.1: Doping & isotope loading	4.1: Radiopurity & bkg mitigation
1.2: Electroluminescence & charge amplification	2.2: WLS & increasing light collection	3.2: Purification	4.2: Detector & target procurement/production
1.3: Dual (charge + light)	2.3: Improved sensors for LS/Water	3.3: Light emission & transport	4.3 Large-area readout
1.4: Charge to light		3.4: Microphysics & characterization	4.4: Material properties
1.5: Ion detection			

Charge Readout:

- Pixels and charge+light readouts:

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- Electroluminescence, charge multiplication & Charge-to-light readouts:

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Light readout:

- Increased sensor QE:

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- Wavelength shifters and increasing light collection:

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Target Properties:

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DARWIN

X-Art (ANR)

XeLab (IN2P3 R&D Master Project)

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WP1.2 : Electroluminescence and charge amplification

Amplification stage: The structure in a detector where electrons are accelerated at to produce **electroluminescence light** (S_2) and/or **charge multiplication** for the subsequent readout.

- ▶ Context: **noble liquid or dual phase time projection chambers** (TPCs)
- ▶ Task focus: Research and development (R&D) on **amplification stages**, in particular:
 - * amplification stages with low energy thresholds down to single electron resolution
 - * novel amplification stages, overcoming challenges of current detectors (e.g. maintaining uniform electrode-liquid distance)
- ▶ In summary, great interest in both generic and project specific R&D for dark matter, $0\nu\beta\beta$, and neutrino (e.g. CE ν NS) applications:
 - * DarkSide-LowMass, Darwin, LArCADE, NUXE, XLZD

- ▶ Berkeley Lab (US), Yuan Mei
- ▶ LIP-Coimbra (Portugal), Vitaly Chepel
- ▶ LPNHE (France), Luca Scotto Lavina
- ▶ NIKHEF (Netherlands), Auke Pieter Colijn
- ▶ UC Riverside (US), Shawn Westerdale
- ▶ UC San Diego (US), Kaixuan Ni
- ▶ UC Santa Barbara (US), David Caratelli
- ▶ University of Freiburg (Germany), Fabian Kuger
- ▶ University of Mainz (Germany), Alexander Deisting
- ▶ Weizman Institute of Science (Israel), Amos Breskin

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WP1.2 : overlap with other WPs

Future large experiments:

- ▶ Development of new amplification structures, with the same (or better) performance than the current ones which:
 - * allow to keep the liquid level constant between electrodes (dual phase)
 - * eliminate the liquid-gas interface all together (single phase)
- ▶ Driven by the groups with interest in building the next generation of dark matter experiments. (→ overlap with the “scaling up challenges” WP)

Low threshold liquid detectors:

- ▶ Development of novel amplification structures with a sub-keV threshold for the detection of energy deposits.
- ▶ Particular interest for CE ν NS measurements, in combination with xenon doping of argon (→ overlap with the “doping” WP)

WP1.2 : research interest and technologies

	mult.		e.lumi.		Ar	Xe
	SP	DP	SP	DP		
LIP-Coimbra	x	x	x	x	x	x
LPNHE				x		x
NIKHEF			x			x
UC Riverside			x	x	x	x
UC San Diego			x		x	x
UC Santa Barbara	x				x	
Freiburg			x			x
Mainz			x			x
Weizman	x	x	x	x	x	x

Dual-phase
Xenon
TPC

⇒ Broad mix across argon and xenon as well as between single- (SP) and dual phase (DP) applications and whether people are interested in electroluminescence or charge multiplication

- ▶ **Micro structures:** generic micro structures; micro structures based on industrial processes; CMOS in liquid; other custom micro/nano structures
- ▶ **Micro to “macro” structures:** meshes connected with vertical pillars; lithography produced micro (and slightly larger) structures; custom GEMs; MSGC like structures;
- ▶ **Wires:** wire grids; single-wire in the centre of cylinder shape as proportional scintillation counter; thin strip wires coated on quartz plates;
- ▶ **Liquid doping:** xenon doped liquid argon
- ▶ **Other:** bubble assisted amplification

WP1.2 : deliverable and milestones

1. Small scale amplification structure for (1.a) S2 production and (1.b) charge amplification in LAr/LXe; 2024 to 2025 and beyond → near- to mid term
 - ▶ Deliberately not tied to a certain technology to allow for a broad range of R&D, but performance driven.
2. Demonstrate the capabilities listed below for the structures developed in (1); 2025 to 2026/2027 → near- to mid term
 - ▶ Milestone 1: Single electron resolution/ sub-keV detection threshold
 - ▶ Milestone 2: ER/ NR discrimination capability
3. Show the scalability of the structure from (1) and (2); 2024 to 2029 (in parallel to (2)); → mid- to late term
 - ▶ Deliverable 1/Milestone 3: 1 m² demonstrator or a charge multiplication/electroluminescence structure, 2026 or later

Funding requests

	funding per year		one time investment
	total FTE	E+C ^a (kEUR)	(kEUR)
M1	4.5 PhD + 3.0 PD	20	15
M2	4.5 PhD + 2.5 PD	30	
D1/M3	4.0 PhD + 2.0 PD	30	20

a : E+C: Equipment and Consumables

	c. mult. ^a	e.lumi. ^b	SP	DP	M1	M2	D1/M3
Berkeley		x	x				x
LIP-Coimbra	x	x	x	x	x	x	
LPNHE		x		x		x	x
NIKHEF		x	x			x	x
UC Riverside		x	x	x	x		
UC San Diego		x	x		x	x	x
UC Santa Barbara	x		x		x		
Freiburg		x	x			x	x
Mainz		x	x			x	x
Weizman	x	x	x	x	x	x	

a: charge multiplication, b: electroluminescence

WP3.4 : Microphysics and characterization

High potential of **noble liquids** in **astroparticle** from eV to GeV and **medical physics**

- **Physics cases:**
 - Light dark matter particles
 - Solar and supernovae neutrino via coherent scattering (and ES/CC)
 - Directional signatures (dark matter and solar neutrinos via ES)
 - Neutrinoless double beta decay (liquid argon doped with enriched ^{136}Xe)
 - Time-of-flight PETs
 - Biomedical imaging
- **Microphysics and characterization: Milestones**
 - LAr/LXe nuclear recoil **quenching** and its **fluctuation** down to sub-keV region
 - LAr/LXe **ionisation response** to electron recoil/nuclear recoils vs electric field
 - Understanding **bubble nucleation** in superheated LAr/LXe
 - Understanding energy transfer and response in **Xe-doped LAr**

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WP3.4 : contributions

- Characterization of LXe and LAr response to low energy recoils
 - Modeling of sub-keV interactions as well the angular dependence of e- recombination relative to the electric field direction in LAr and in LXe (M. Szydagis, Albany)
 - Bubble growth modeling to determinate nucleation efficiency (M.-C. Piro, UofA)
 - Mechanism of recombination and the ionization response to low-energy nuclear recoils (G. Fiorillo, Naples U.)
- Understanding single-electron background
 - Identification of causes of Single electron (SE) emissions in LAr TPC (M. Wada, AstroCeNT)
 - Identification of causes of Single electron (SE) emissions in LXe TPC (L. Scotto Lavina, LPNHE)
- Calibration sources / beams
 - Generation of ^{37}Ar calibration source with neutron sources (M. Wada, AstroCeNT)
 - Low-energy neutron beams / neutron detectors (J. Wilson, ICJLab)
- Xe-Ar mixture
 - Cryogenic system for Xe-doped liquid Ar (M. Wada, AstroCENT)
 - Xenon doping for the production and collection of small ionization signals in liquid argon TPCs (J. Xu, LLNL)
 - Scintillation and ionization as a function of Xe concentration (D. Franco, APC - M.-C. Piro, UofA)
 - Xe-Ar phase diagram, EoS, maximum solubility of Xe (P. Stringari, ParisTech)

NEST

XeLab, phase 2

X-Art

WP3.4 : contributions

Europe

- X-Art APC (France)
- X-Art CTP (France)
- U. Bourgogne (France)
- ICPJLab (France)
- Mines Paris (France)
- X-Art ICB (France)
- X-Art **LPNHE (France)**
- GSSI (Italy)
- INFN Torino (Italy)
- INFN Cagliari (Italy)
- INFN Catania (Italy)
- INFN Genova (Italy)
- INFN Napoli (Italy)
- INFN Roma (Italy)
- LN5 (Italy)
- Freiburg (Germany)
- Mainz (Germany)
- AstroCeNT (Poland)
- Nikhef (Netherlands)

US

- U. Albany
- Duke University
- Princeton U.
- UCDavis
- RPI
- Rice U.
- UC San Diego
- Berkeley
- UCLA
- Colorado State University
- UC Irvine
- Lawrence Livermore National Lab.
- U. California - Riverside

Brazil

- Campinas U.

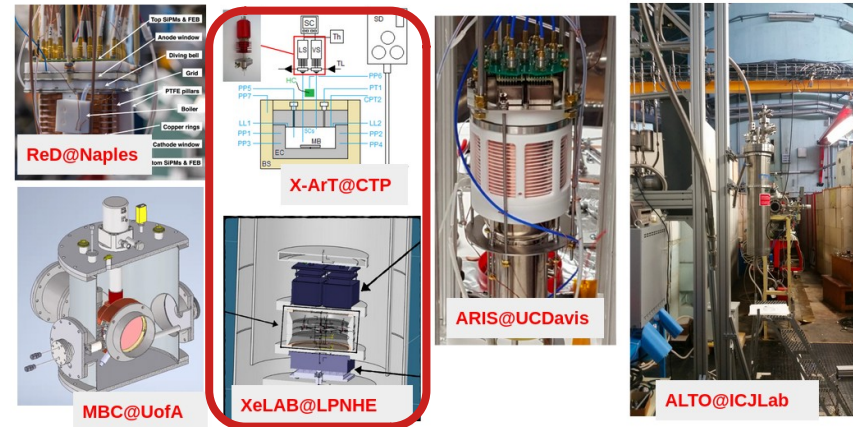
China

- IHEP (China)

Canada

- University of Alberta
- University of Montreal
- Carleton University

Some examples of existing or under construction setups



WP3.4 : deliverable and milestones

	2024	2025	2026	2027-2029	>=2030
Low-energy LXe and LAr response to low energy recoils					
Ionization response to low energy recoils down to the sub-keV range					
Nucleation efficiency to low-energy recoils					
Identification of single electron background sources					
Calibration sources / beams					
Generation of ³⁷ Ar calibration source with neutron activation					
Low-energy neutron beams					
Xe-Ar mixture					
Thermodynamics of Xe-doped LAr					
Scintillation and ionization as a function of Xe concentration					
Directionality from bubble formation in superheated noble mixture					

	kEuro / yr
Low-energy LXe and LAr response to low energy recoils	615
Ionization response to low energy recoils down to the sub-keV range	500
Nucleation efficiency to low-energy recoils	100
Identification of single electron background sources	15
Calibration sources / beams	75
Generation of ³⁷ Ar calibration source with neutron activation	55
Low-energy neutron beams	20
Xe-Ar mixture	850
Thermodynamics of Xe-doped LAr	200
Scintillation and ionization as a function of Xe concentration	450
Directionality from bubble formation in superheated noble mixture	200
Total	1540

	2024	2025	2026	2027-2029	>=2030	Total / year
Low-energy LXe and LAr response to low energy recoils						
Ionization response to low energy recoils down to the sub-keV range	8	6	7	4	4	4,8
Nucleation efficiency to low-energy recoils	4	4	4	4		4,0
Identification of single electron background sources	2,5	2	3	2		2,4
Calibration sources / beams						
Generation of ³⁷ Ar calibration source with neutron activation	1	1	1			1,0
Low-energy neutron beams	2	2				2,0
Xe-Ar mixture						
Thermodynamics of Xe-doped LAr	2,5	3,5				3,0
Scintillation and ionization as a function of Xe concentration	6	9	6	5	3	4,8
Directionality from bubble formation in superheated noble mixture	3	4	4			3,7
Total	29	31,5	25	15	7	

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Funding requests

ECFA DRD TF2 Liquid detectors

Summary

LPNHE involved in ECFA DRD TF2 (Liquid detectors) :

- R&D on electrodes (main goal of **XeLab**) – WP1.2 (electroluminescence and charge amplification)
- R&D on single electrons background (**XeLab** phase 2) – WP3.4 (microphysics)
- R&D on xenon+argon mixture (**X-Art**) - WP3.4 (microphysics)

Expected outcomes :

- Exchange information
- Visibility
- Funding?