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ANTARES: status and recent results

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ANTARES is an underwater telescope designed to search for high-energy neutrinos originating from extraterrestrial sources.

The detection principle relies on the observation of Cherenkov light emitted along the path of the charged leptons resulting from charged current neutrino interactions.

The detector is a 3-dimensional array of photomultiplier tubes,

arranged on twelve vertical lines (each housing 75 photomultipliers), placed at a depth of about 2500 meters 40 km off the coast of Toulon, France. The detector has been continuously collecting data in its full configuration since May 2008: at present 5 neutrino per active day are detected.

In this talk a status of the detector operation will be provided and first results on the search for cosmic neutrinos, from point-like and diffuse sources, will be described.

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