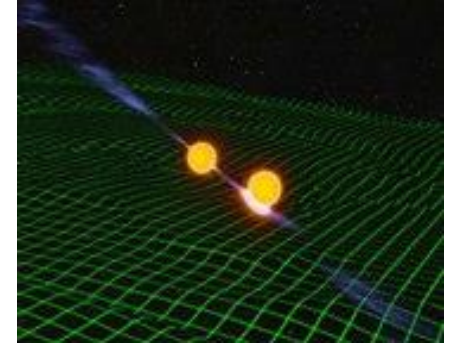




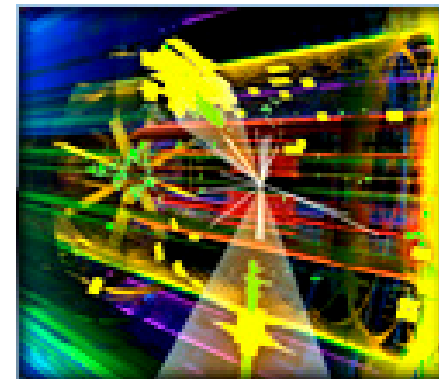
News from NSF Physics

Denise Caldwell

Division Director
Division of Physics



With Preliminary Comments from NSF
Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate



BPA 25 April 2019



National Science Foundation Mathematical and Physical Sciences



Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS)

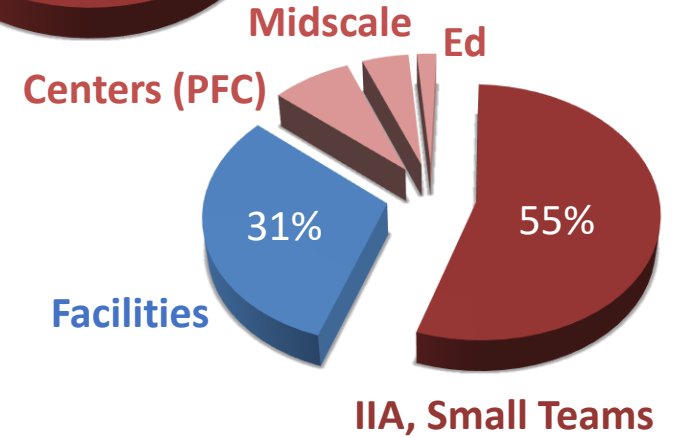
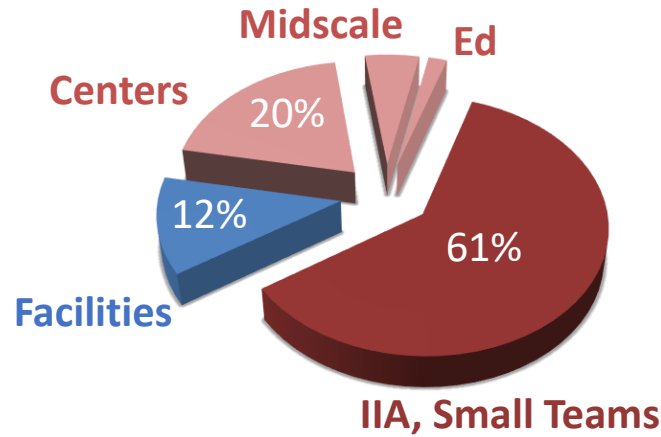
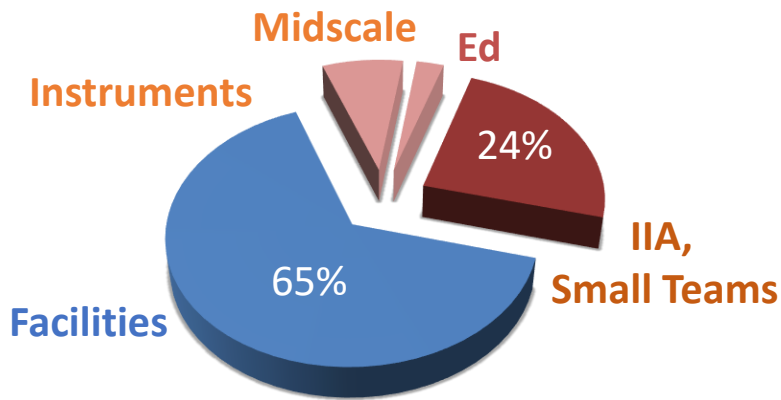
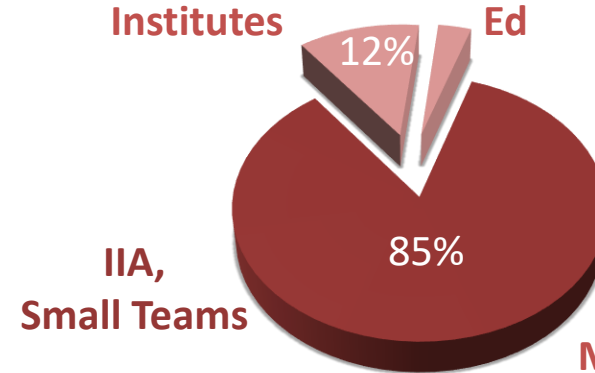
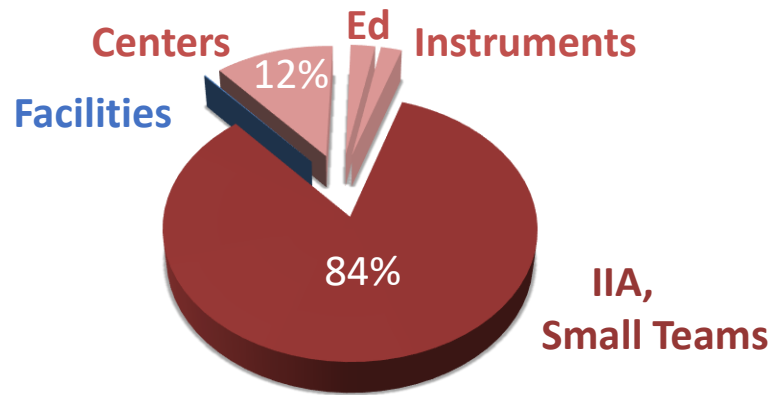
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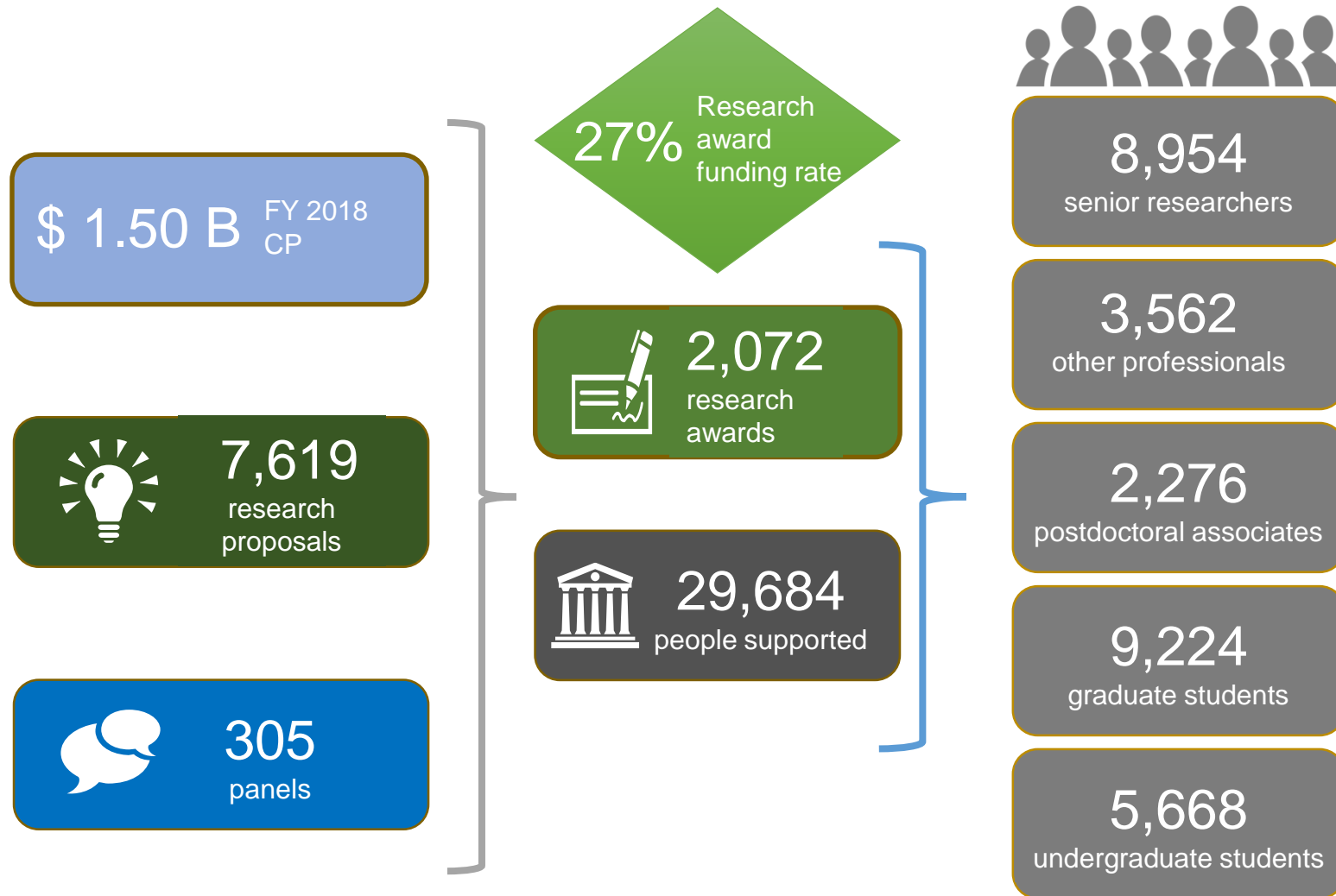
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Physics
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MPS by the Numbers: FY 2018





NSF Budget Status (\$M)

NSF Actual FY 2018	\$ 8,040
R&RA Actual FY 2018	\$ 6,380
MPS Actual FY 2018	\$ 1,503
NSF Appropriated FY 2019	\$ 8,339
Current Plan under Development	
NSF Request FY 2020	\$ 7,226
R&RA Request FY 2020	\$ 5,663
MPS Request FY 2020	\$ 1,256



Directorate Funding – FY 2020 Request

MPS Funding (Dollars in Millions)

	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2019 (TBD)	FY 2020 Request	Change over FY 2018 Actual	
				Amount	Percent
Astronomical Sciences (AST)	\$311.16	-	\$217.08	-\$94.08	-30.2%
Chemistry (CHE)	246.29	-	214.18	-32.11	-13.0%
Materials Research (DMR)	337.14	-	273.78	-63.36	-18.8%
Mathematical Sciences (DMS)	237.69	-	203.26	-34.43	-14.5%
Physics (PHY)	310.75	-	247.50	-63.25	-20.4%
Office of Multidisciplinary Activities (OMA)	60.39	-	100.02	39.63	65.6%
Total	\$1,503.41	-	\$1,255.82	-\$247.59	-16.5%

MPS is the \$60 M steward of **Quantum Leap**
and **Windows on the Universe** Big Ideas



MPS Priorities – FY 2020

- **Emphasis on Big Ideas**
 - NSF Stewardship: Quantum Leap & Windows on the Universe
 - Expanded Participation: Harnessing the Data Revolution, Mid-Scale Research Infrastructure, and Understanding the Rules of Life
- **Strategic investments** in:
 - Fundamental research
 - Artificial Intelligence, Advanced Manufacturing, and Quantum Information Science
 - Next generation workforce
 - Large, multi-user research facilities
 - Mid-scale research infrastructure
 - External partnerships



NSF's Big Ideas for Future NSF Investments

- *Bold questions that will drive NSF's long-term research agenda*
- *Catalyze investment in fundamental research*
- *Collaborations with industry, private foundations, other agencies, universities*
- *Solve pressing problems and lead to new discoveries*

Looking Ahead: Ten Big Ideas

RESEARCH IDEAS

- Navigating the New Arctic**
- Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science and Engineering**
- Work at the Human-Technology Frontier: Shaping the Future**
- Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype**
- The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution**
- Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-messenger Astrophysics**

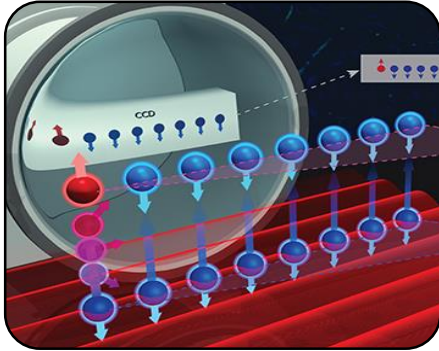
PROCESS IDEAS

- Growing Convergent Research at NSF**
- NSF-Includes: Enhancing Science and Engineering through Diversity**
- Mid-scale Research Infrastructure**
- NSF 2050: Seeding Innovation**



MPS FY 2020 Big Idea Investments

Steward Directorate



•Quantum Leap (QL)

\$30.0 million

- MPS stewards NSF's (\$30 million) investment to enable fundamental research in quantum-enabled sciences and technologies, in collaboration with 11 divisions across NSF
- Develop the foundations for and enable quantum computing, sensing, communications, simulation, and other quantum technologies, including the development of the national workforce



Windows on the Universe (WoU)

\$30.0 million

- MPS stewards NSF's (\$30 million) investment in multi-messenger astrophysics
- Bring together fundamental research in electromagnetic waves, high-energy particles, and gravitational waves
- Advance the study of the universe
- Grow the nation's MMA, engineering, and data science workforce



Windows on the Universe

The goal of “Windows on the Universe” is to bring electromagnetic waves, high-energy particles, and gravitational waves together to study the universe and probe events in real time in a way that was previously impossible.



Credit: LIGO Laboratory



Credit: IceCube



Credit: AURA



Neutron Star – Neutron Star Merger

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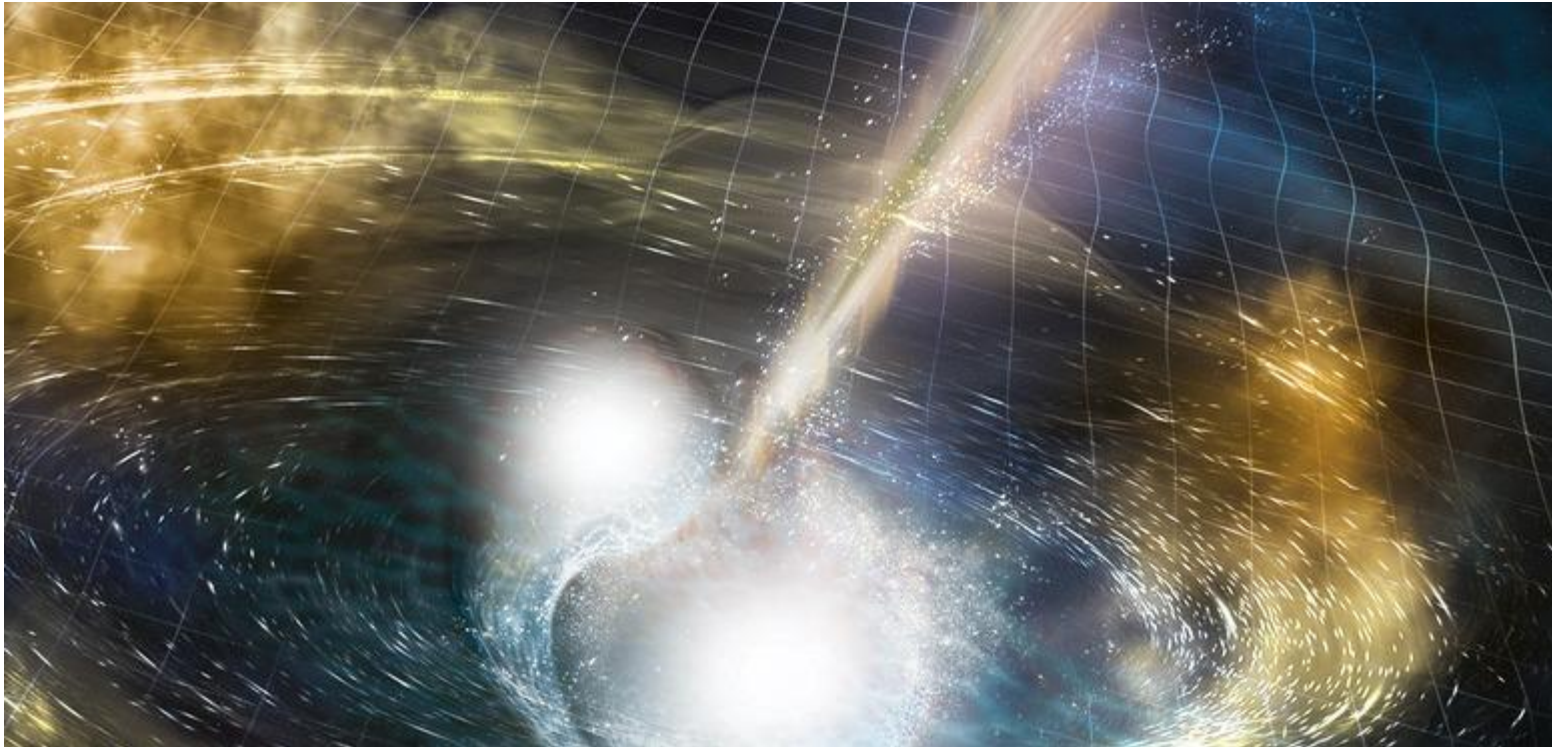
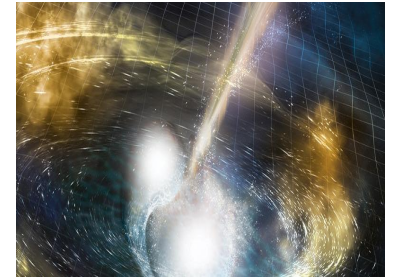


Image credit: NSF/LIGO/Sonoma State University/A. Simonnet



WINDOWS ON THE UNIVERSE: THE ERA OF MULTI-MESSENGER ASTROPHYSICS (WoU-MMA)



Metaprogram PD 18-5115

The goals of WoU-MMA are to build the capabilities and accelerate the synergy and interoperability of the three messengers to realize integrated, multi-messenger astrophysical explorations of the Universe. It has three broad areas of emphasis:

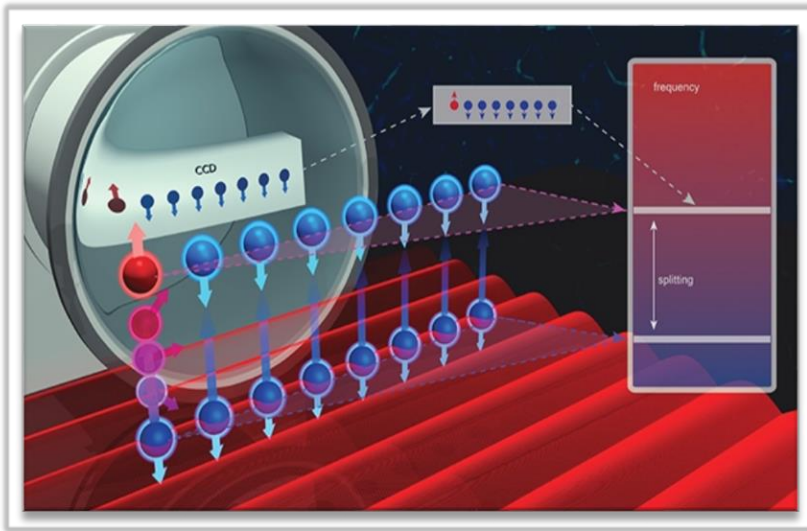
Enhancing and accelerating the theoretical, computational, and observational activities within the scientific community

Building dedicated midscale experiments and instrumentation

Exploiting current facilities and developing the next generation of observatories



Quantum Leap: Leading the next Quantum Revolution



Trapped ion computation
(JQI – University of Maryland)

Today:

- lasers, atomic clocks, GPS, semiconductors, storage media

Tomorrow:

- Ultra-secure communication
- Ultra-precise sensing, measurement
- Quantum simulators
- Computing beyond the scale of supercomputing



“The Quantum Leap”: Why Now?

- Advances in science & technology are enabling new opportunities for rapid advances
- International competition is extremely high. Success has implications for U.S. *economic competitiveness* and *national security*.
- Strong industrial and government interest globally.



31 “quantum”
Nobels supported
by NSF (since ‘64)



Honeywell
Microsoft
HRL Labs
Lockheed

AO Sense
Cold Quanta
Zapata
Ion Q, etc...

TITLE I—NATIONAL QUANTUM INITIATIVE

SEC. 101. NATIONAL QUANTUM INITIATIVE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall implement a National Quantum Initiative Program.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the Program, the President, acting through Federal agencies, councils, working groups, subcommittees, and the Coordination Office, as the President considers appropriate, shall—

(1) establish the goals, priorities, and metrics for a 10-year plan to accelerate development of quantum information science and technology applications in the United States;

(2) invest in fundamental Federal quantum information science and technology research, development, demonstration, and other activities to achieve the goals established under paragraph (1);

(3) invest in activities to develop a quantum information science and technology workforce pipeline;



NATIONAL STRATEGIC
OVERVIEW FOR QUANTUM
INFORMATION SCIENCE

ADVANCING QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCE: NATIONAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

A JOINT REPORT OF THE
Committee on Science and
Committee on Homeland and National Security
OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

Produced by the
Interagency Working Group on Quantum Information Science
of the Subcommittee on Physical Sciences





Recap: Enabling the Quantum Leap

DCL-RAISE-EQuIP: Engineering Quantum Integrated Platforms for Quantum Communication

DCL-RAISE-TAQS: Transformational Advances in Quantum Systems

Ideas Lab: Practical Fully-Connected Quantum Computer Challenge (PFCQC)

Enabling Practical-scale Quantum Computing: *Expeditions in Computing*

DCL: : Achieving Room-temperature quantum logic through improved low-dimensional materials

DCL: A Quantum Leap Demonstration of Topological Quantum Computing

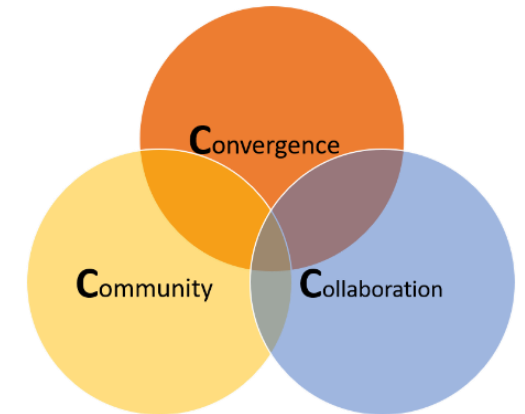
DCL: Quantum Leap in Chemistry: molecular approaches

QISE-Net: Quantum Information Science and Engineering Network – “TRIPLETS”

NSF/DOE/AFOSR: Quantum Science Summer School; 2017-2020

EFRI-ACQUIRE (2016); *Advancing Communication Quantum Information Research in Engineering*

2016 -2018





Taking the Leap (2019 and Beyond)

Q-AMASE-I - Enabling Quantum Leap:
Convergent Accelerated Discovery **Foundries**
for Quantum Materials Science, Engineering
and Information (NSF 18-578)

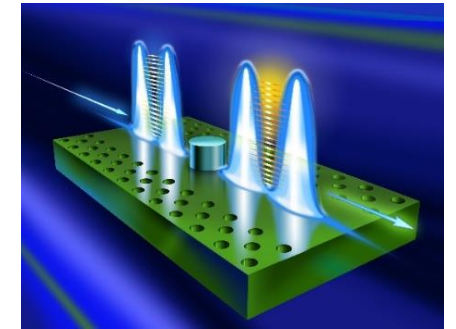
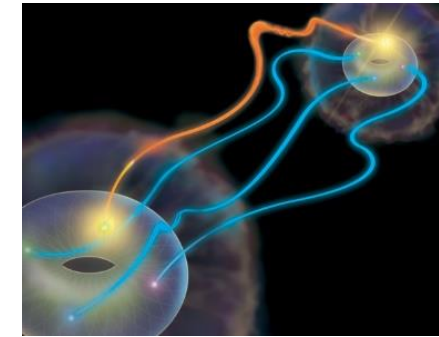
Foundries: up to \$25M over 6 years



QCIS-FF - Quantum
Computing & Information
Science Faculty Fellows
(NSF 19-507)

QII – TAQS - Enabling Quantum Leap:
Quantum Idea Incubator for
Transformational Advances in
Quantum Systems (NSF 19-532)

Small teams: up to \$2M for 3 to 5 years



**All require convergence across
multiple disciplines**

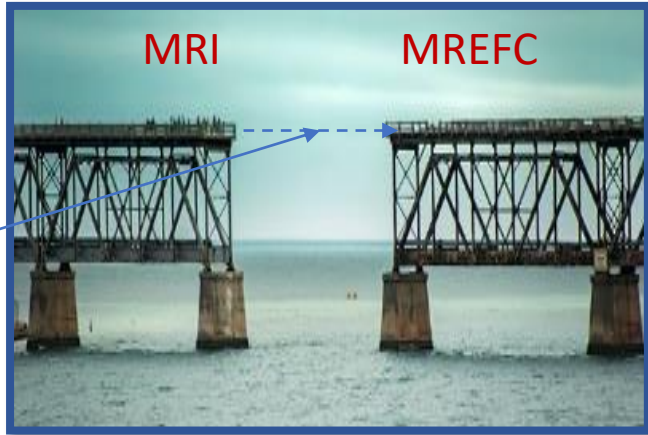
QLCI - Quantum Leap Challenge **Institutes**
(NSF 19-559)

Institutes: up to \$25M over 5 years, FY2020 funding



Mid-scale Research Infrastructure (MSRI) Opportunities

Bridge the Gap



- Mid-scale RI is an NSF Big Idea to address the growing needs for RI to advance research.
 - NSF-wide program will support projects in the MRI – MREFC gap (~\$6 to \$70 million range).
 - RI is broadly defined, from disciplinary instrumentation to mid-scale facilities, upgrades, cyberinfrastructure, and others.
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- **Two solicitations released:** One for projects between ~\$6 M and ~\$20 M and one for ~\$20 - \$70 million.
 - Preproposals for former have been reviewed, Full proposals invited; Preproposals for second are in and under review



Harnessing the Data Revolution



Engaging NSF's research community in the pursuit of fundamental research in data science and engineering, the development of a cohesive, federated, national-scale approach to research data infrastructure, and the development of a 21st-century data-capable workforce.

- [Harnessing the Data Revolution \(HDR\): Transdisciplinary Research in Principles of Data Science Phase I](#)
(Program Solicitation, Feb. 11, 2019)
- [Harnessing the Data Revolution \(HDR\): Institutes for Data-Intensive Research in Science and Engineering](#)
- [Frameworks \(I-DIRSE-FW\)](#) (Program Solicitation, Feb. 7, 2019)
- [Harnessing the Data Revolution \(HDR\): Institutes for Data-Intensive Research in Science and Engineering](#)
- [Ideas Labs \(I-DIRSE-IL\)](#) (Program Solicitation, Dec. 21, 2018)
- [Harnessing the Data Revolution \(HDR\): Data Science Corps \(DSC\)](#) (Program Solicitation, Oct. 31, 2018)



Understanding the Rules of Life

Elucidating the sets of rules that predict an organism's observable characteristics, its phenotype.



- [Understanding the Rules of Life: Epigenetics](#) (Program Announcement, Sept. 28, 2018)
- [Understanding the Rules of Life: Building a Synthetic Cell](#) (Program Announcement, Sept. 28, 2018)

Why MPS?

Research at the Physical – Life Sciences Interface in four Divisions in MPS

Chemistry of Life Processes (CHE)

Biomaterials (DMR)

Mathematical Biology (DMS)

Physics of Living Systems (PHY)



Division of Physics



Physics Division Portfolio

The portfolio of awards made through the Physics Division has as primary goal “to promote the progress of science”, as expressed in the NSF act. Awards in the portfolio support the research needed to address a scientific question that is at the frontier of knowledge as it is currently known, while at the same time extending and redefining that frontier. Inherent in the implementation of this portfolio, which includes significant support for students and junior scientists, is the preparation of the next generation of the advanced high tech workforce and the development of innovative new technologies that arise in the quest to answer some of the hardest questions that Nature can pose.

Implementation:

Begin with new ideas generated by the physics community
Inform the process through workshops, input from advisory committees,
proposal reviews, and the scientific expertise of the Program Directors



Division of Physics

Funds Through Three Funding Modalities

Individual Investigator Awards > 50% of total through “Disciplinary” Programs in:

Gravitational Physics; Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics; Nuclear Physics; Elementary Particle Physics; Particle Astrophysics; Plasma Physics; Physics of Living Systems; Computational Physics; Quantum Information and Revolutionary Computing

Physics Frontiers Centers – Currently 9 Centers across Multiple Sub-Areas in Division – Multiple Co-Funds from Divisions across NSF

Major Facilities - LIGO (NSF/PHY only); ATLAS and CMS Detectors at LHC (jointly with DoE); NSCL (NSF/PHY only); IceCube (Jointly with NSF Polar Programs)

Integrative Activities in Physics - REU Sites, Outreach, Education, Broadening Participation

Major Thrust: Fostering Connections across Physics, across NSF, and across agencies

International: All major facilities, PFC's, and Individual Investigator Awards



Major Thrust – Fostering Connections

Focus on Science Question, not Discipline or Subarea

Partner with Others whenever Possible to Promote Science

Partnering within Division – AMO-Nuclear, AMO-Particle, AMO-Gravity

Partnering with other NSF divisions on individual awards and centers –
MPS/AST,CHE,DMR,DMS; BIO/MCB,IOS,DBI; GEO/PLR,AGS;
ENG/ECCS,CBET; CISE/CCF,OAC

Participation in NSF priority areas jointly with other Directorates/Divisions -e.g. Four Big Ideas

Partnering with DOE in Particle Physics, Nuclear Physics, Plasma Physics

Partnering with NASA in Gravitational Physics and Plasma Physics

Partnering with SU2C in PoLS and Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation in Gravity



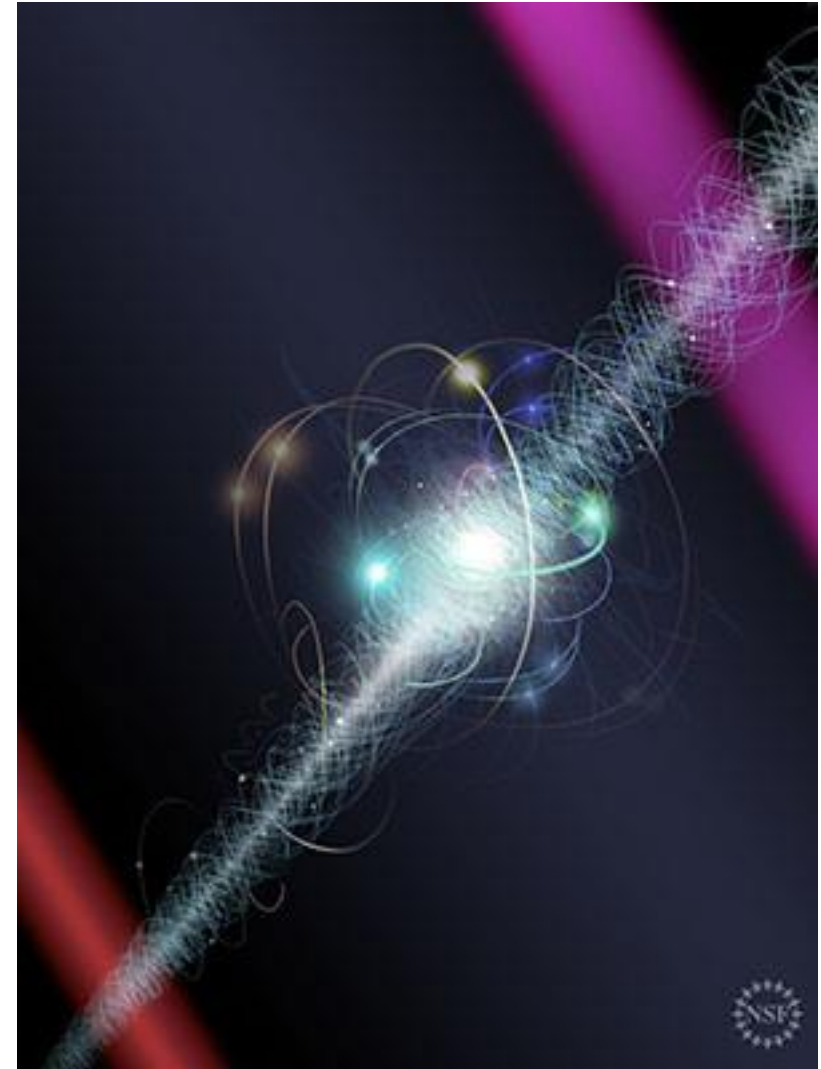
Advanced Cold Molecule Electron Dipole Moment (ACME)

Sets new lower limit on electron dipole moment

$$|d_e| < 1.1 \times 10^{-29} \text{ ecm}$$

This is 8.6 times smaller than the best previous limit, from ACME I, at 90% confidence level.

Result typically limits time-reversal-symmetry-violating new physics to energy scales above $\Lambda \approx 30 \text{ TeV}$ or $\Lambda \approx 3 \text{ TeV}$



Credit: Nicolle R. Fuller/National Science Foundation



International Activities in Division of Physics

Large Scale Efforts at Facilities

CERN – Joint with US DoE in US Support of ATLAS and CMS; Funding for Nuclear Physics Experiments on ALICE; Sole US Support for Research on LHCb

Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso (LNGS) – XENON-1T, DarkSide-50, SABRE, BOREXINO, CUORE

LIGO - VIRGO and LIGO Scientific Collaboration

NSCL, IceCube – International engagement as users and partners

Interactions at Individual Investigator Level

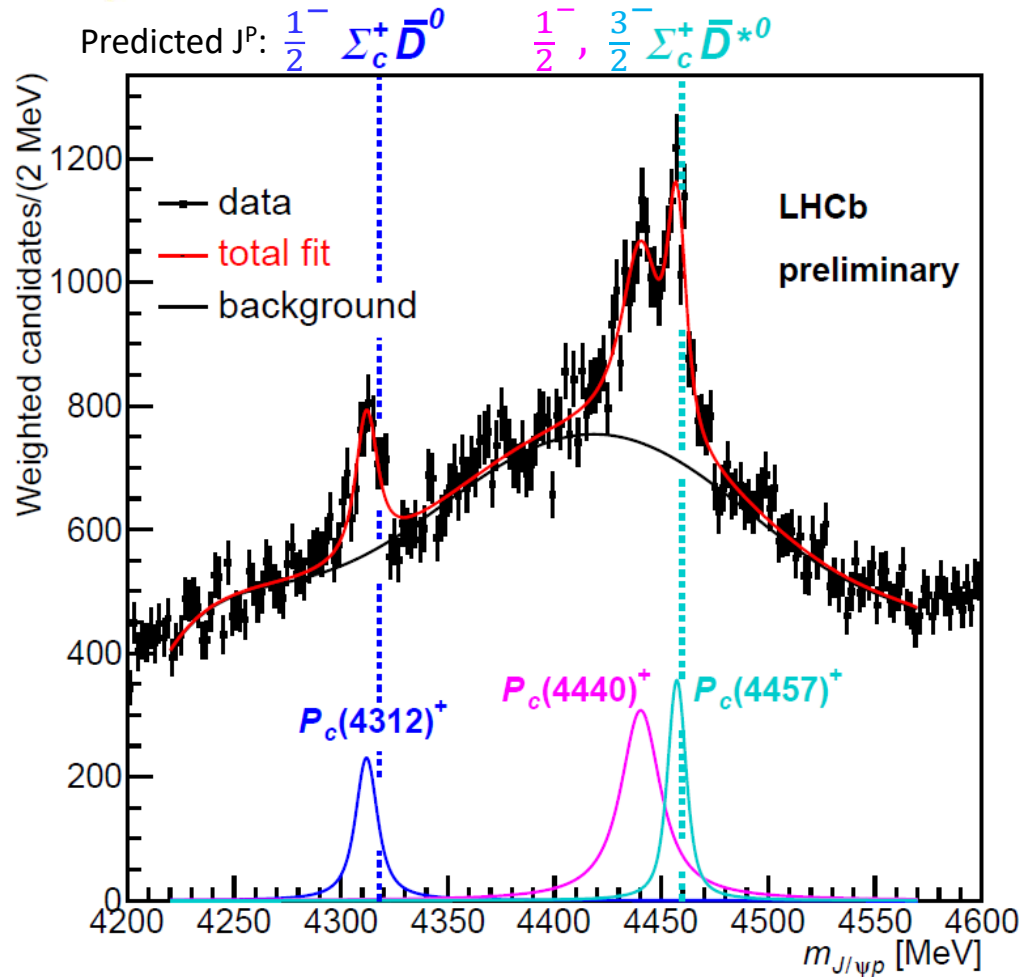
Physics of Living Systems Student Research Network – 30 Institutions, 8 Countries

NSF 14-099 Dear Colleague Letter - International Activities within the Physics Division – Potential International Co-Review

Gravitational Physics - Lead-Agency Agreement with DFG in Germany

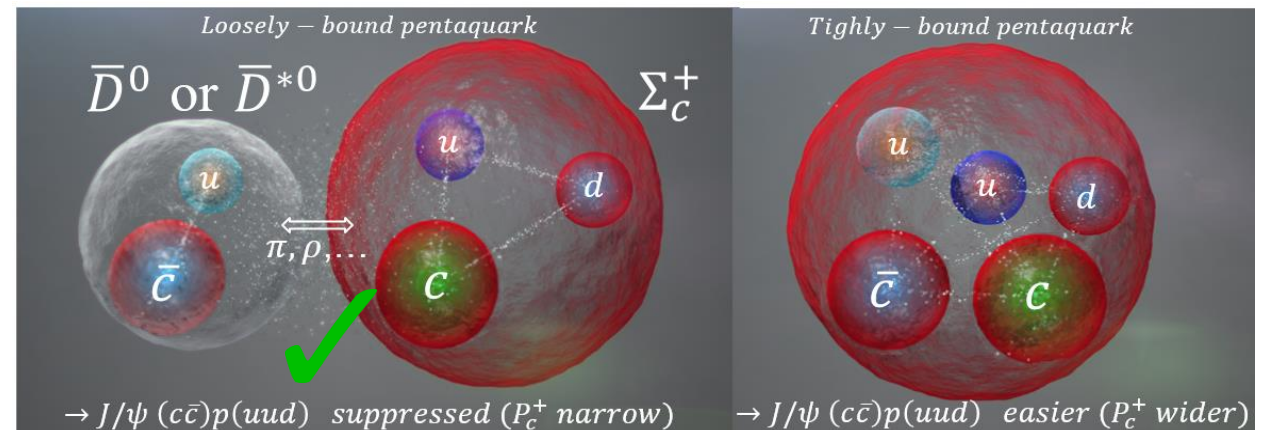


Pentaquarks in LHCb



[T. Skwarnicki, Moriond QCD, 2019]

- Discovery of additional pentaquark states in Run 1+2
 - Previously reported $P_c(4450)^+$ structure now resolved at 5.4σ significance into two narrow states: the $P_c(4440)^+$ and $P_c(4457)^+$ exotic baryons
 - A narrow companion state, $P_c(4312)^+$, discovered with 7.3σ significance
 - Near-threshold masses and narrow widths of $P_c(4312)^+$, $P_c(4440)^+$ and $P_c(4457)^+$ favor “molecular” pentaquarks with meson-baryon substructure





Think Boldly– 2019-2020

Prominent role in Quantum Leap and Quantum Information Science
(Disciplinary program in QIS plus 4 PFC's, IQIM, CUA, JQI, and JILA)

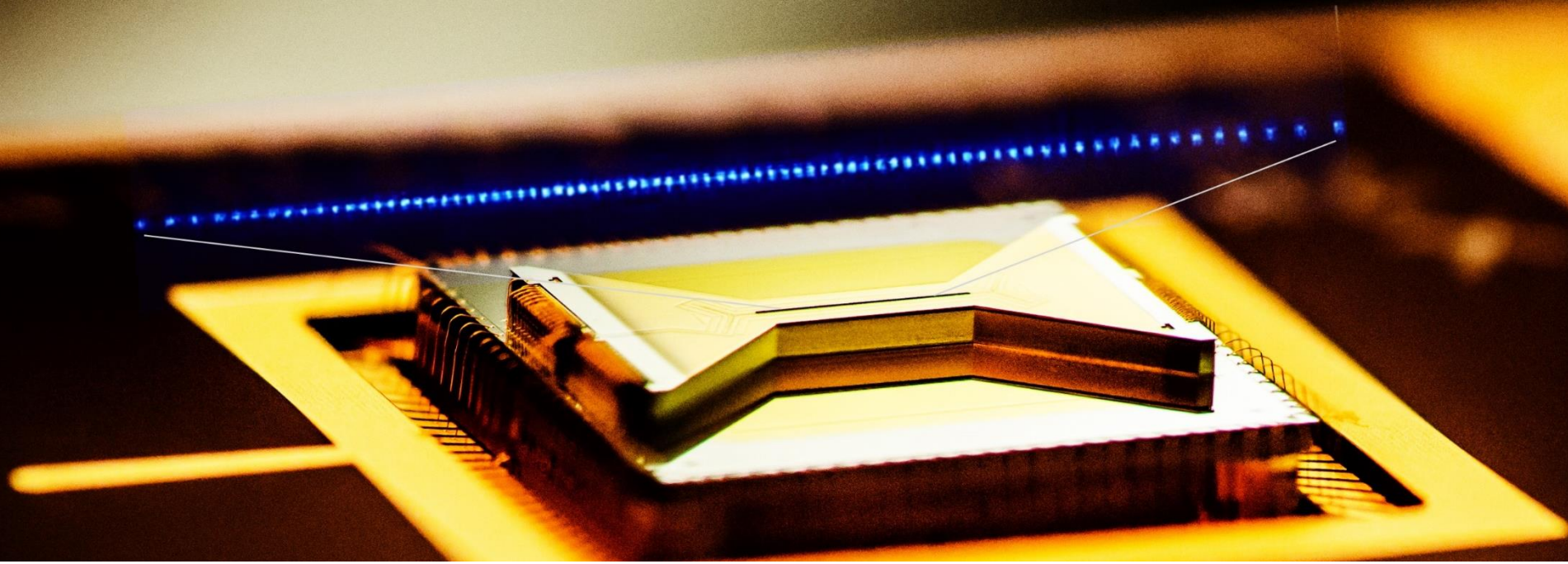
Prominent role in Windows on the Universe and Multi-Messenger Astrophysics
(Steward of LIGO and Co-Steward of IceCube)

Upgrades of ATLAS and CMS detectors at LHC (HL-LHC), IceCube, LIGO (A+)

Physics Frontiers Centers competition in FY 2020



NSF 17-548 Ideas Lab: Practical Fully-Connected Quantum Computer brings together physicists, computer scientists, and engineers to construct a quantum computer capable of showing an advantage over current computer technology.



NSF Award 1818914 PFCQC: STAQ: Software-Tailored Architecture for Quantum co-design
\$15 million grant for a multi-institution quantum research collaboration. [News Release 18-058]

Trapped ions (superimposed) above a fabricated trap to capture and control ion qubits (quantum bits).
Image Credit: *K. Hudek, Ion Q&E / E. Edwards, JQI*



Current Status of LIGO

Third science run (O3) began April 1, 2019
Livingston detector operating at 130 MPc
Hanford detector operating at 100 MPc
Virgo detector operating at 55 Mpc
Three-way concurrent operation – 57% overall
Two alerts released for BH mergers



All O2 data available to community

LIGO Coating Facility Funded – PHY-1707866 –Co-Funding from
Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation



A+ Upgrade initiated –
Co-support from UK and Australia

Generation 3 under discussion by international community

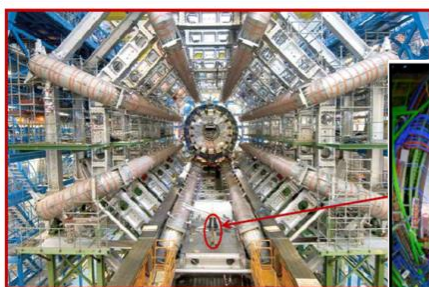




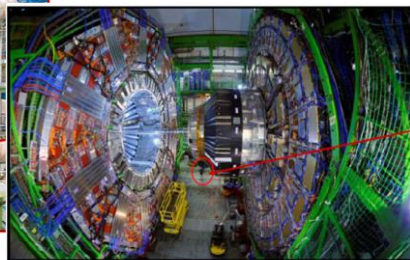
Current State of Facilities

Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO)

O3 Run Started April 1 ; A+ Upgrade underway



ATLAS



CMS

Typical
Scientist

ATLAS and CMS Detectors at Large Hadron Collider (LHC)
Planning for MREFC High-Luminosity Upgrade Underway
IRIS Award to Address Computational Challenges



National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory (NSCL)

Transfer to FRIB in 2021 Progressing Smoothly



IceCube

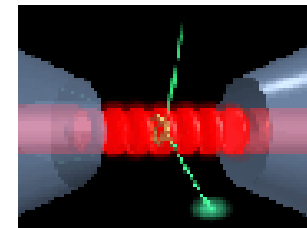
Upgrade Underway





Physics Frontiers Centers

Competition in FY 2020 – Pre-Proposals due August 2019

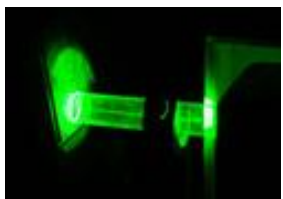


IQIM

PFC@JILA, University of Colorado

Institute for Quantum Information and Matter, CalTech (With CISE/CCF)

Center for Theoretical Biological Physics, Rice U (In Partnership with MPS/DMR, BIO/MCB)



PFC@JQI, U Maryland

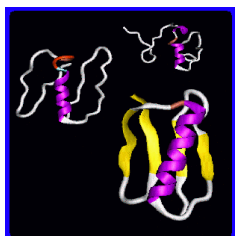
NANOGrav, U Wisconsin Milwaukee (With MPS/AST)

JQI Center for the Physics of Living Cells, UIUC (In Partnership with MPS/CHE, BIO/MCB)

Center for Ultracold Atoms, MIT/Harvard (With CISE/CCF)

JINA: Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics, Michigan State

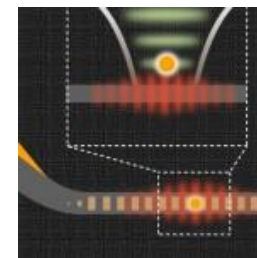
Center for the Physics of Biological Function, Princeton (In Partnership with BIO/MCB;IOS)



CTBP



NanoGrav



CUA



What to Expect– 2019-2020

Prominent role in Quantum Leap and Quantum Information Science

Multi-Disciplinary Awards in QIS with Physics Partners

Prominent role in Windows on the Universe and Multi-Messenger Astrophysics

Growing number of LIGO alerts

Upgrades of ATLAS and CMS detectors at LHC (HL-LHC), IceCube, LIGO (A+)

Initiation of Final Design for HL-LHC Upgrade

Physics Frontiers Centers competition in FY 2020

Revised Slate of Awards in FY 2020



People who make the Division run

Program Directors

Administrative Professionals

Permanent

Krastan Blagoev	Pedro Marronetti
Jean Cottam-Allen	Kathy McCloud
Keith Dienes	Bogdan Mihaila
John Gillaspy	Allena Oppen
Saul Gonzalez	Jim Whitmore
Vyacheslav Lukin	

Temporary

Mike Cavagnero
Alex Cronin
Jim Thomas
Randy Ruchti

Sabrina Caraway
Kim Pigford
Michele Johnson
Azyta Ahmadi
Denise Henry
Shannon Scrivner
L.C. Berry
Khoren Claiborne

Senior Managers: Denise Caldwell, Vacant (Jean Cottam-Allen, Acting), Mark Coles



BACKUP



LIGO Catalogue of Detections through 2017

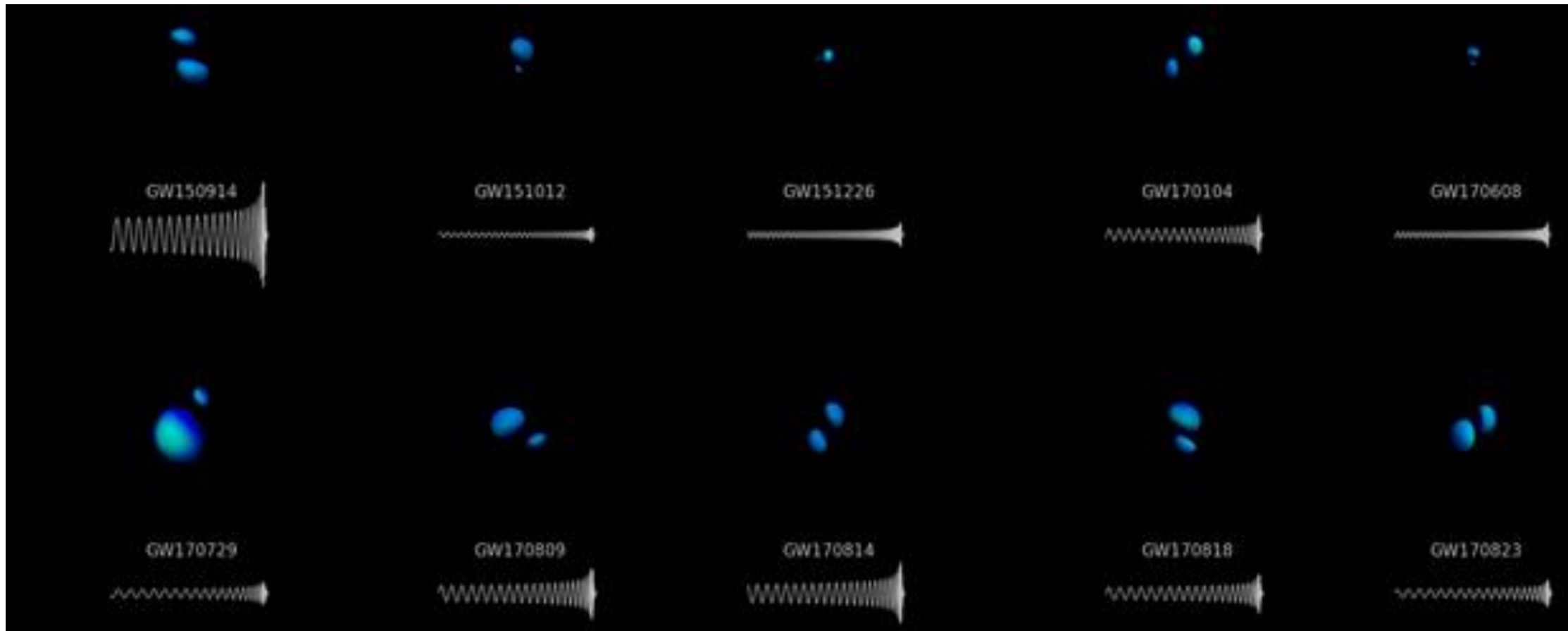
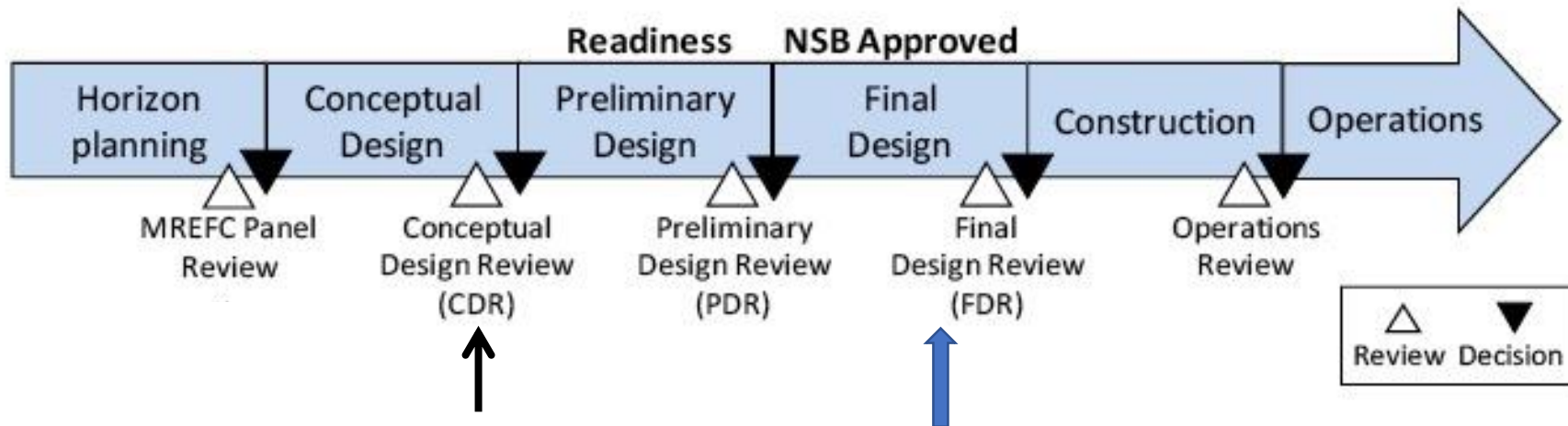


Photo Courtesy LIGO Laboratory



High-Luminosity LHC Upgrade

Planning for a possible MREFC in support of the high-luminosity upgrades of the ATLAS and CMS detectors at CERN; Final design review – Fall 2019



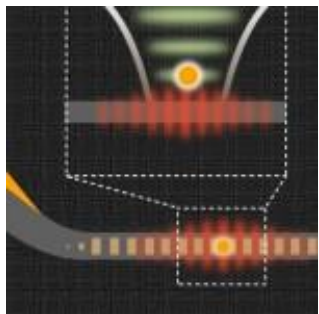
Coordinating with the DOE in support of the US-CMS and US-ATLAS Teams

NSF has identified well-defined scope independent of DOE scope



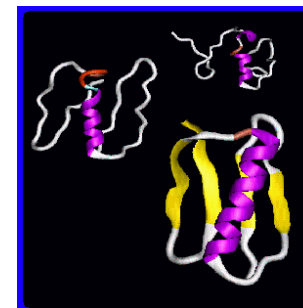
Physics Frontiers Centers

JILA – Colorado – Cornell



Center for Ultracold Atoms – MIT/Harvard – Ketterle (MPS/PHY/CISE/CCF)

Center for Theoretical Biological Physics – Rice – Onuchic
(Joint MPS/PHY/CHE/DMR and BIO)



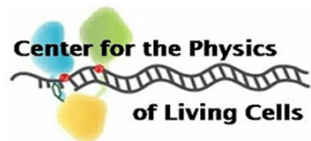
Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Michigan State - Schatz

PFC at JQI (Joint Quantum Institute) – Maryland/NIST – Phillips



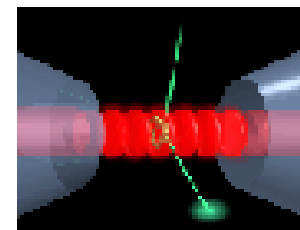


Physics Frontiers Centers (Cont'd)



Center for the Physics of Living Cells – U Illinois – Chemla
(Joint MPS/PHY/CHE and BIO/MCB)

Institute for Quantum Information and Matter – Caltech
- Preskill (MPS/PHY/CISE/CCF)



North American Nanohertz Observatory for Gravitational Waves –
U Wisconsin Milwaukee – Siemens (PHY/AST)

Center for the Physics of Biological Function - CUNY/Princeton – Bialek
(Joint MPS/PHY/CHE and BIO/MCB/IOS)

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