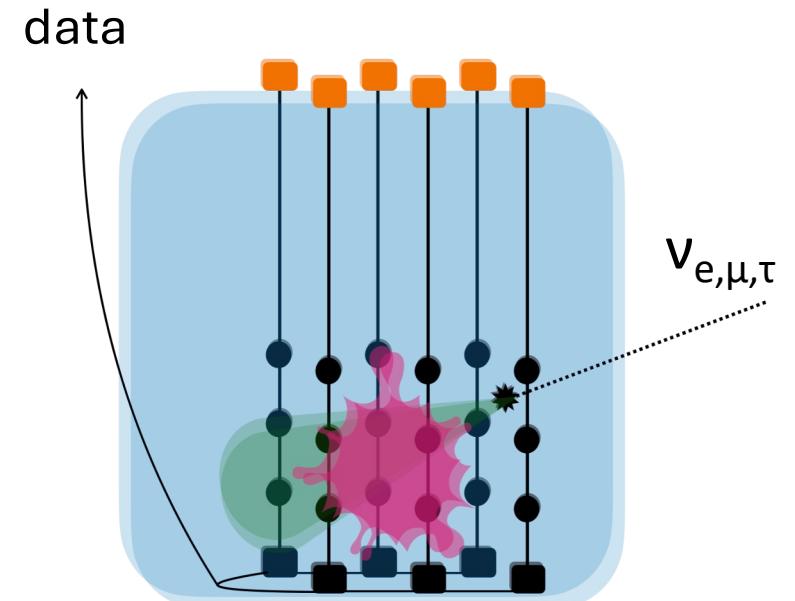


Design and Production of the first P-ONE detector line

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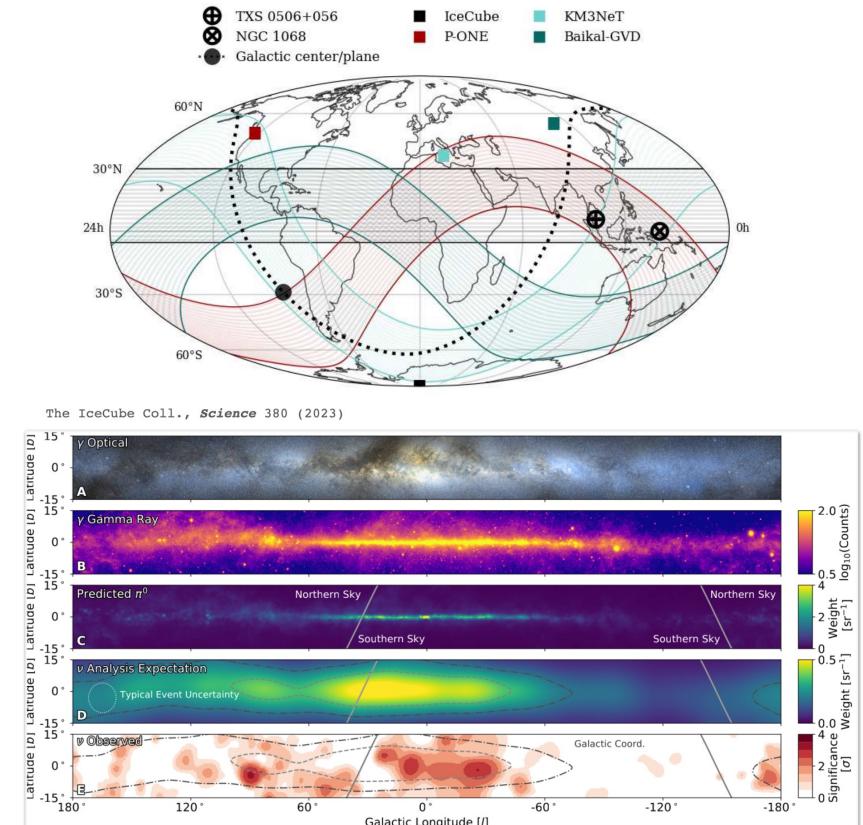
Astrophysical neutrino detectors

- Astronomical sources emit high-energy neutrinos
- Only interact weakly → good messenger
- Hard to detect
- Secondary particle Cherenkov radiation
- Big volume, low background
 - Our case: deep sea
- Poses calibration challenges
 - Bioluminescence and sedimentation
 - Positioning
 - Optical properties of the water

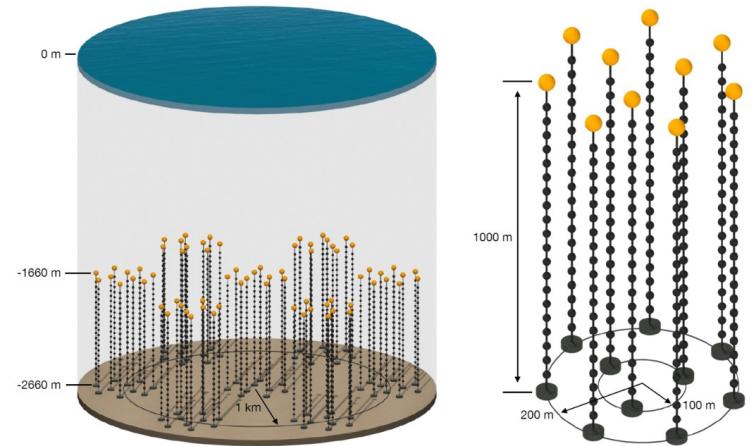
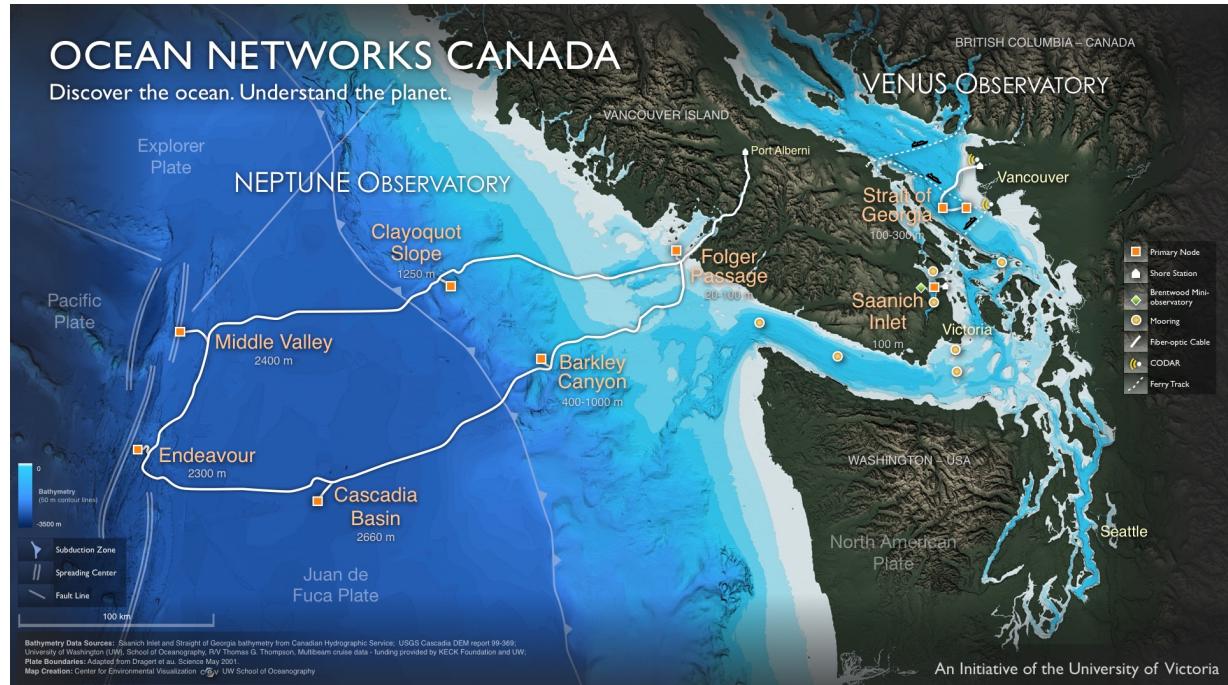


Notable results from other detectors

- Evidence for neutrino emission from astrophysical sources found by existing experiments
- Neutrinos from the galactic plane
- Highest energy neutrino 120 PeV discovered from KM3NeT
- Still a lot of space uncovered



Pacific Ocean Neutrino Experiment (P-ONE)

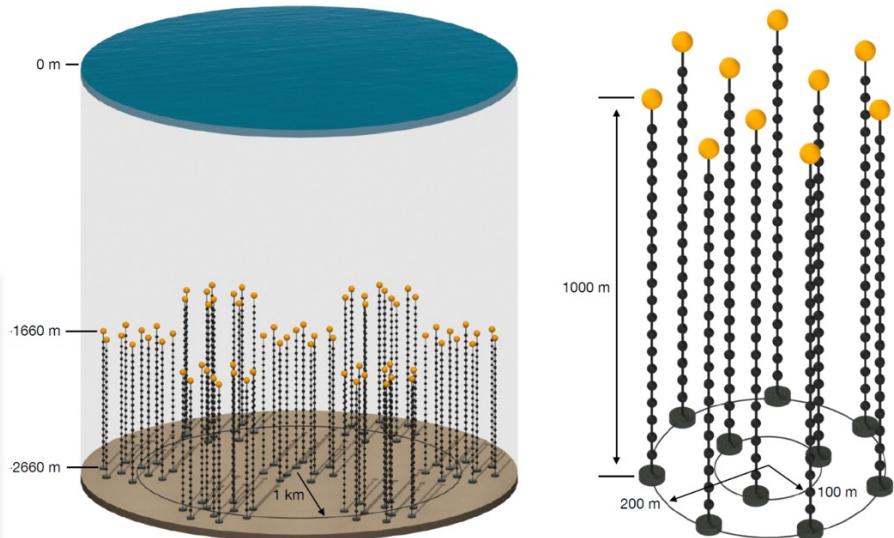
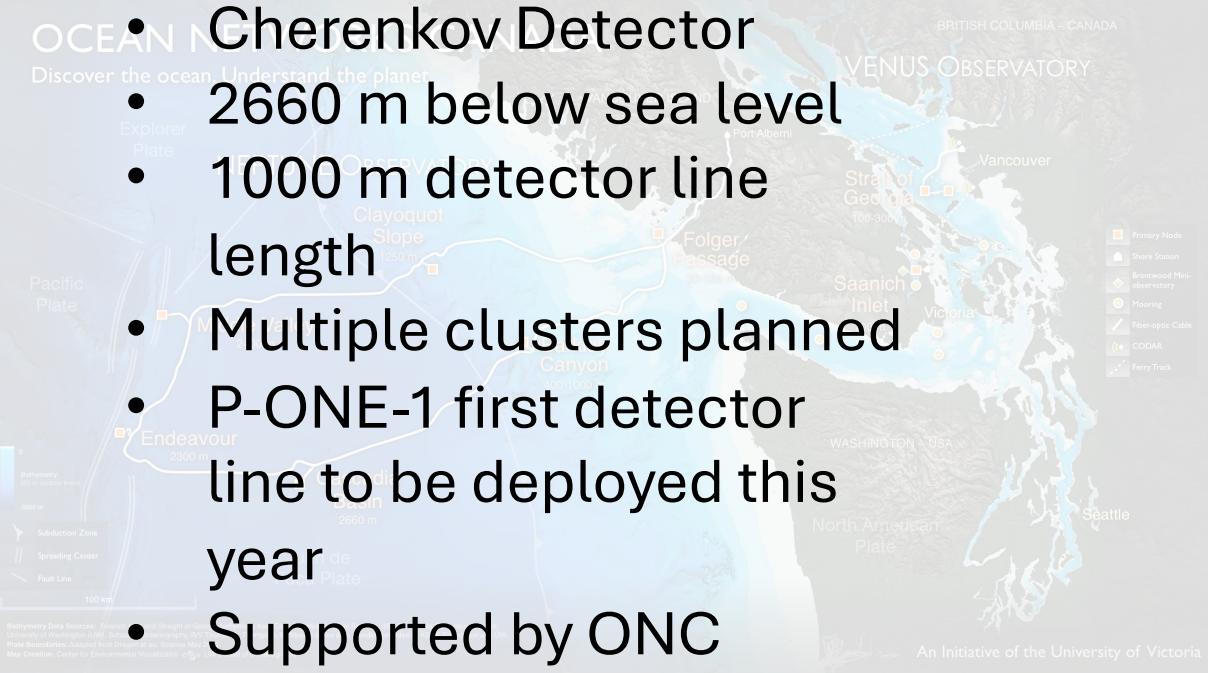


Preliminary



P-ONE

Quick facts:



Preliminary



P-ONE-1 Overview and Objectives

- Currently under construction
 - P-OM and P-CAL
 - Distance of 50m between modules
- Collect as much data as possible
- Proof our modular and scalable design
- Proof of deployment concept

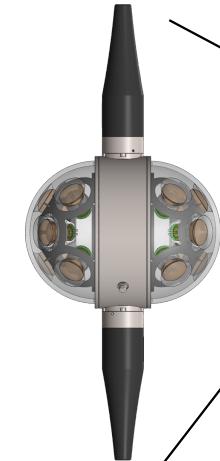


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P-OM:
Optical
Module

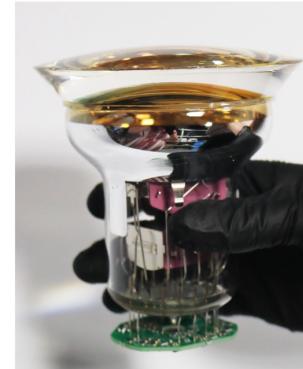
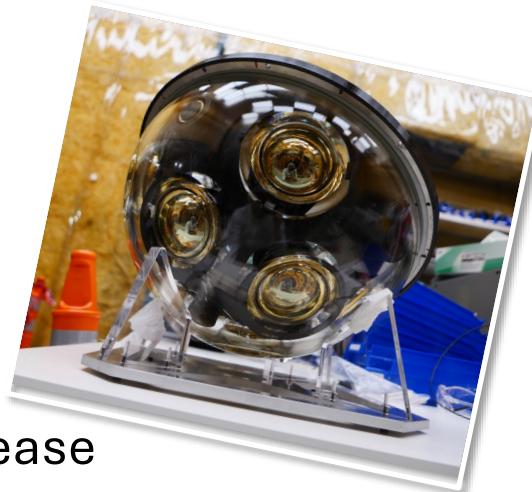


P-CAL:
Calibration
Module



Optical Module

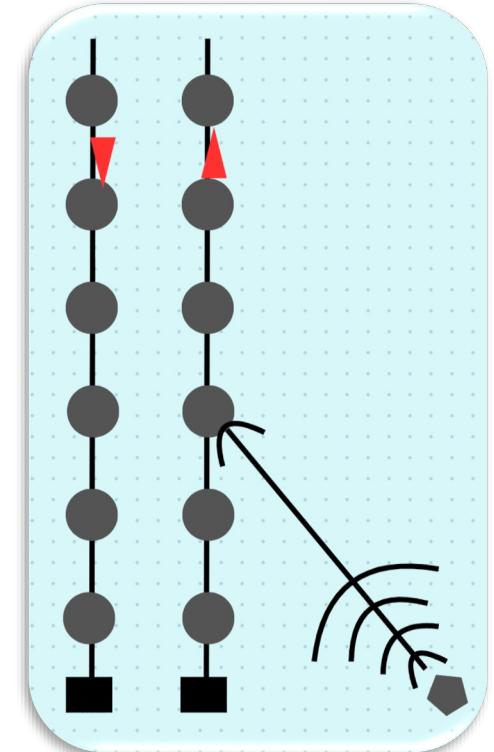
- 18 P-OMs in P-ONE-1
- 8 PMTs per hemisphere
- Optical gel reflector pads to increase light yield
- Includes acoustical and optical calibration instruments
- Some hemispheres are coated against sedimentation



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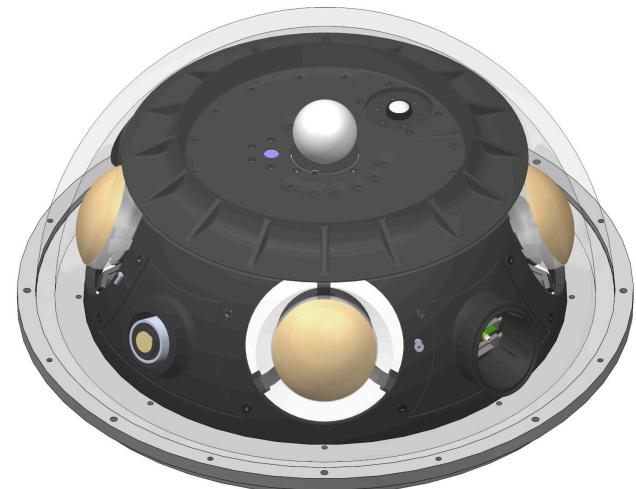
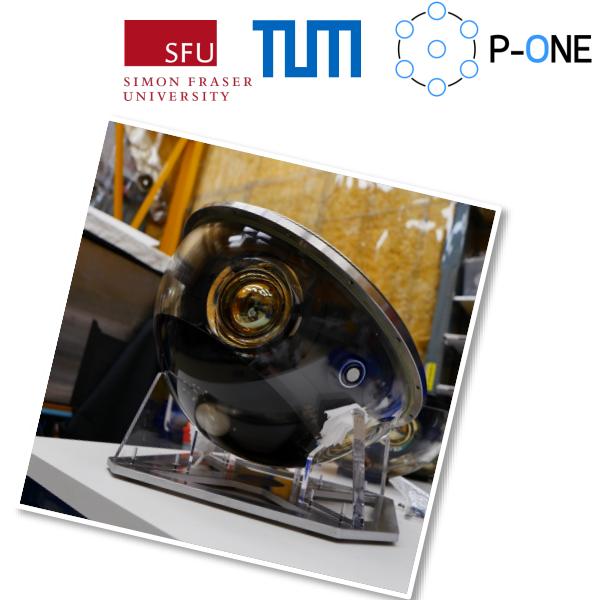
Calibration systems

- Optical calibration
 - Monitor water properties
 - Flasher modules in each hemisphere
- Acoustic calibration
 - Positioning of the line in water
 - Acoustic receivers in each module



Calibration Module

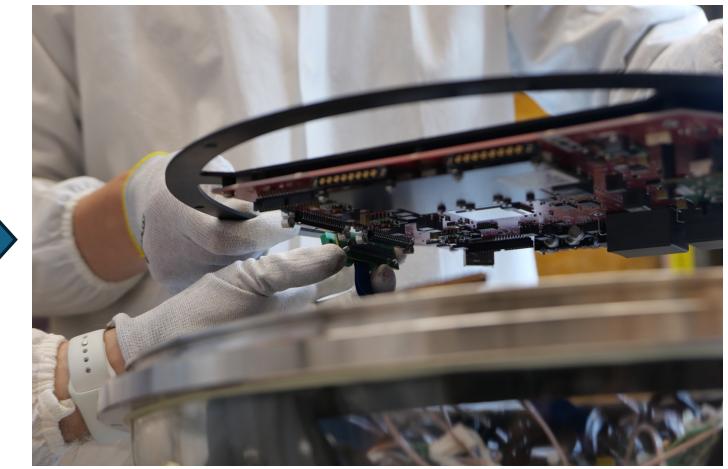
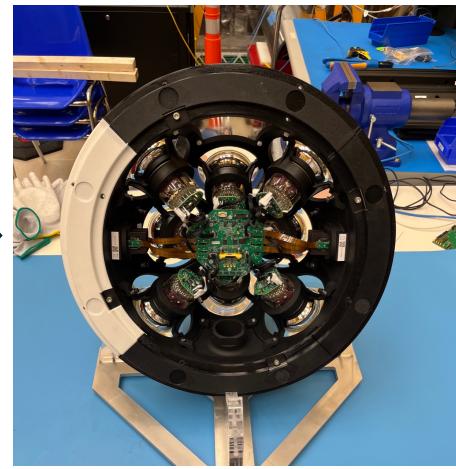
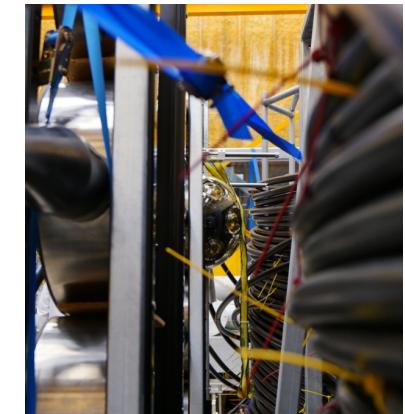
- 2 P-CALs in P-ONE-1
- 4 PMTs per Hemisphere
- Diffuse light source
- In-situ monitoring by a photodiode and a SiPM
- Camera for tracking of bioluminescence and sedimentation



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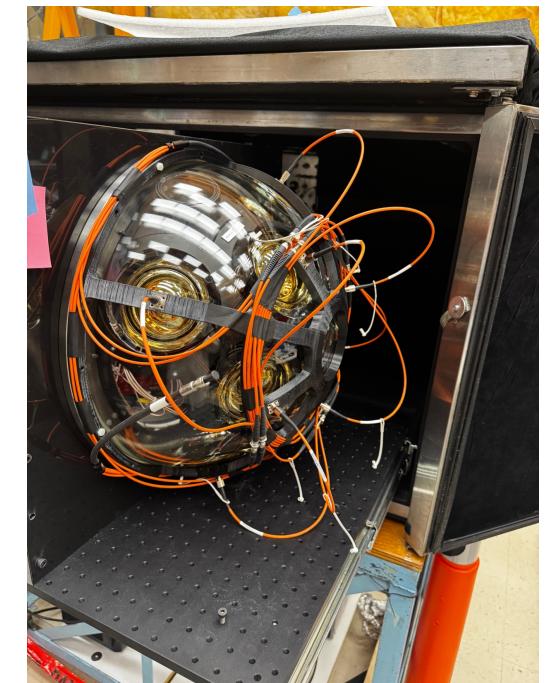
P-OM Production

- Arrived with PMTs and PMT control board at TRIUMF
- Integration of optical and acoustic calibration instruments
- Fixation of cabling and noise breaking equipment
- Integration of the mainboard and muon tracker



Testing

- Each component is tested before shipment
- Final component test at TRIUMF
 - Check that all components work as intended
- Dry and Wet test of the entire string
 - Testing of all the components on the deployment frame and in water



Outlook

2026

January

June

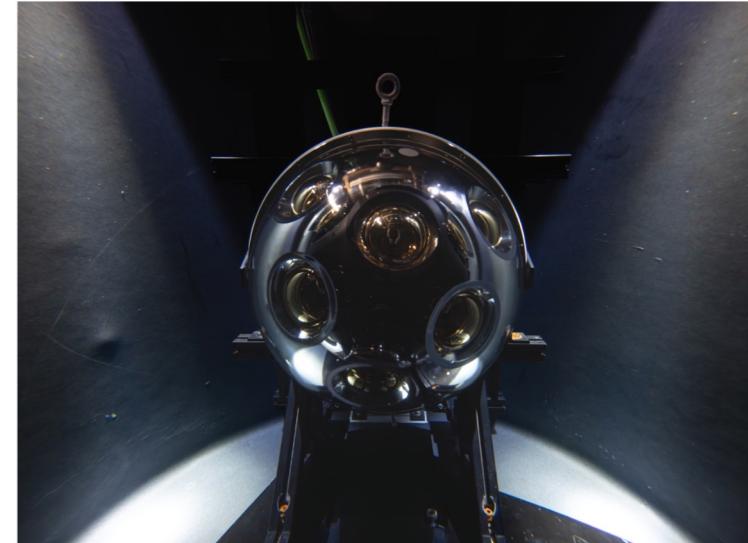
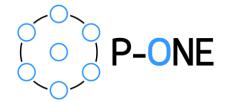
Module integration

Dry and wet test

Deployment of P-ONE-1

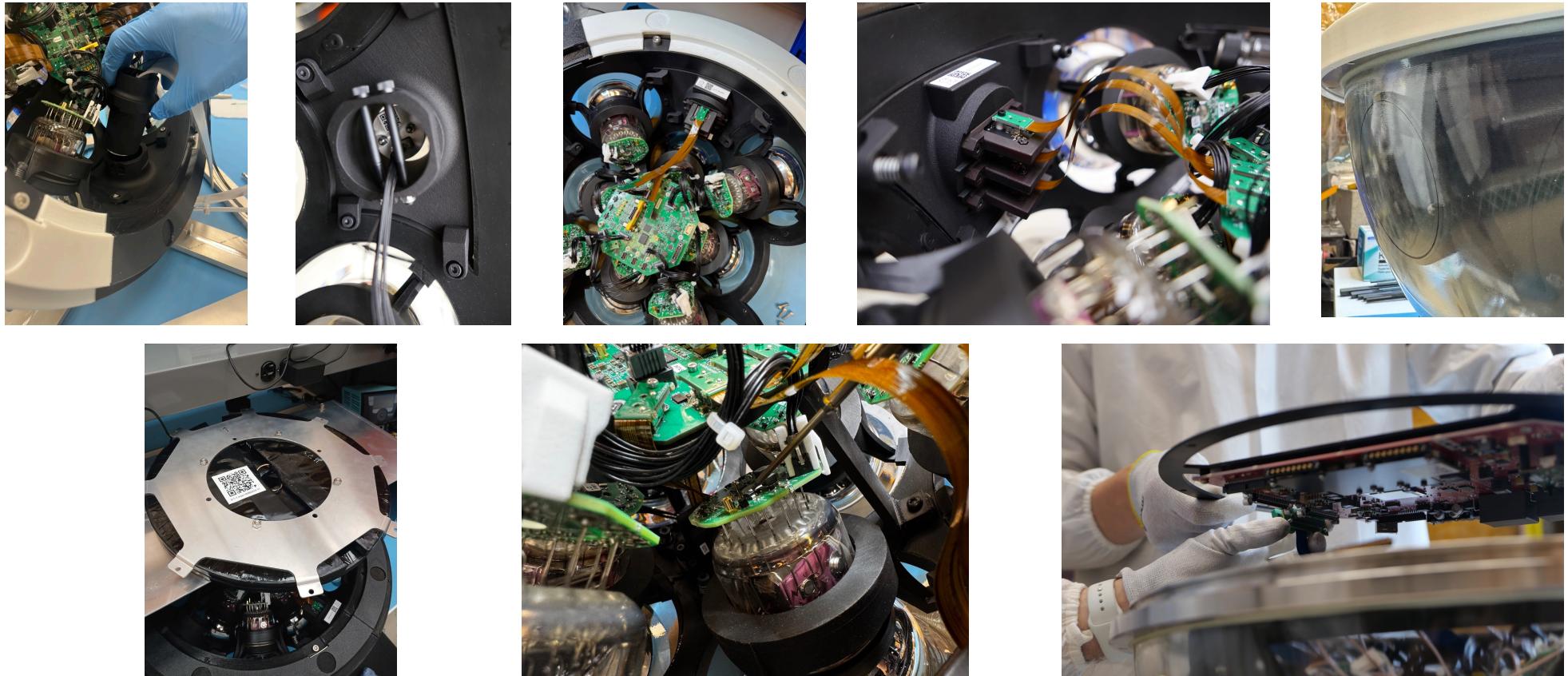
First data of P-ONE-1

Works on P-ONE-Demonstrator



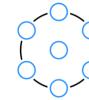
Backup

P-OM Production



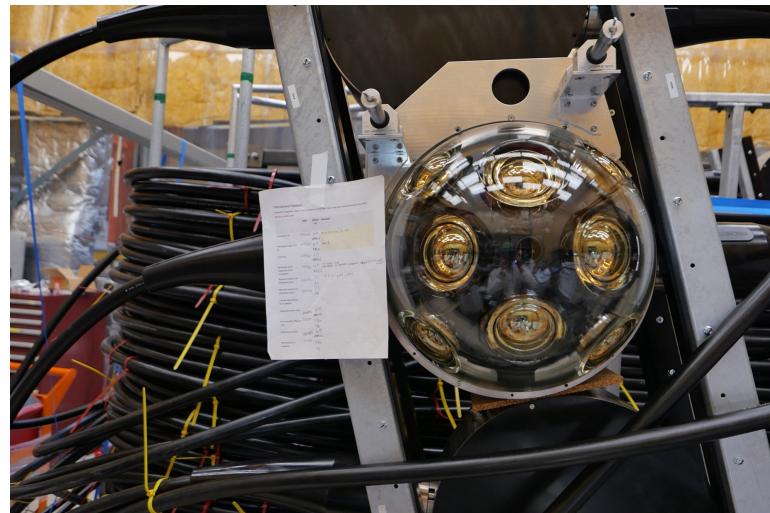
DAQ and Timing

- Use of ONC infrastructure
- Full waveform digitization with 16-channel ADC
- Reconstruction of waveform with 210 MHz sampling rate
- Testing of timing system
- Sub-ns timing synchronization

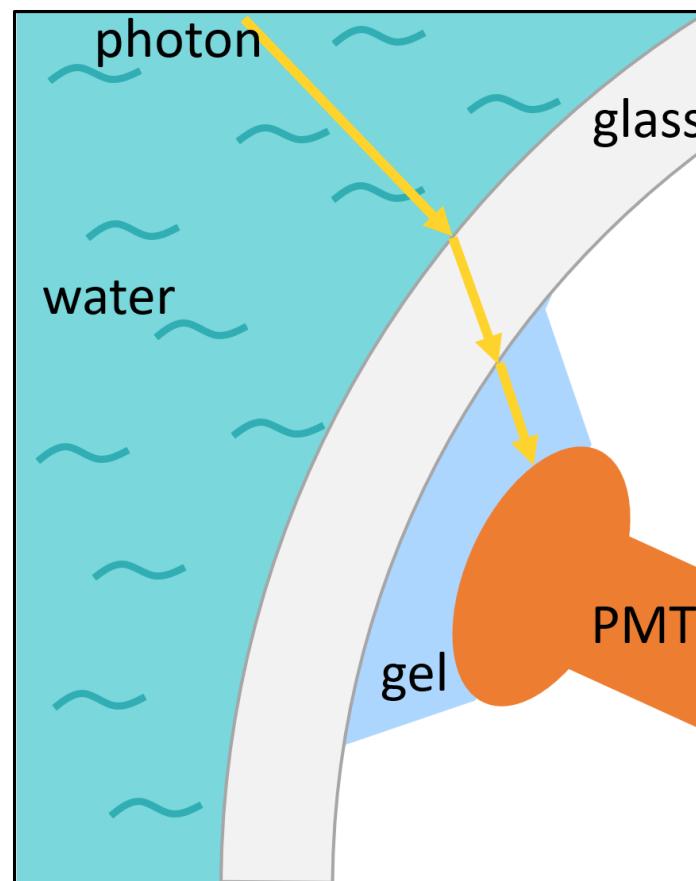
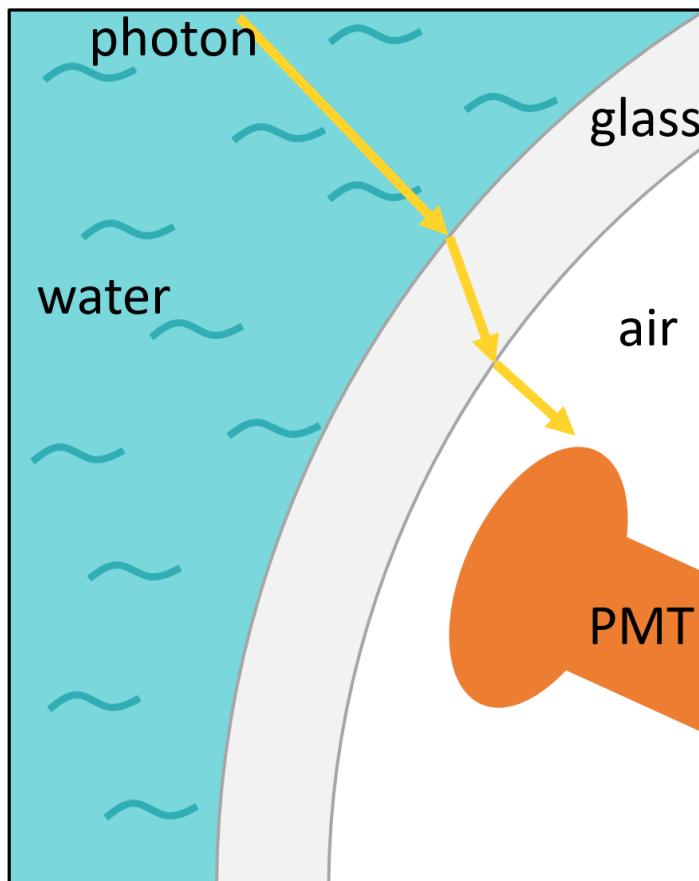


Module installation to frame

- Final step of assembly
- First test of protocols in October 2025
- Full scale installation over the next weeks

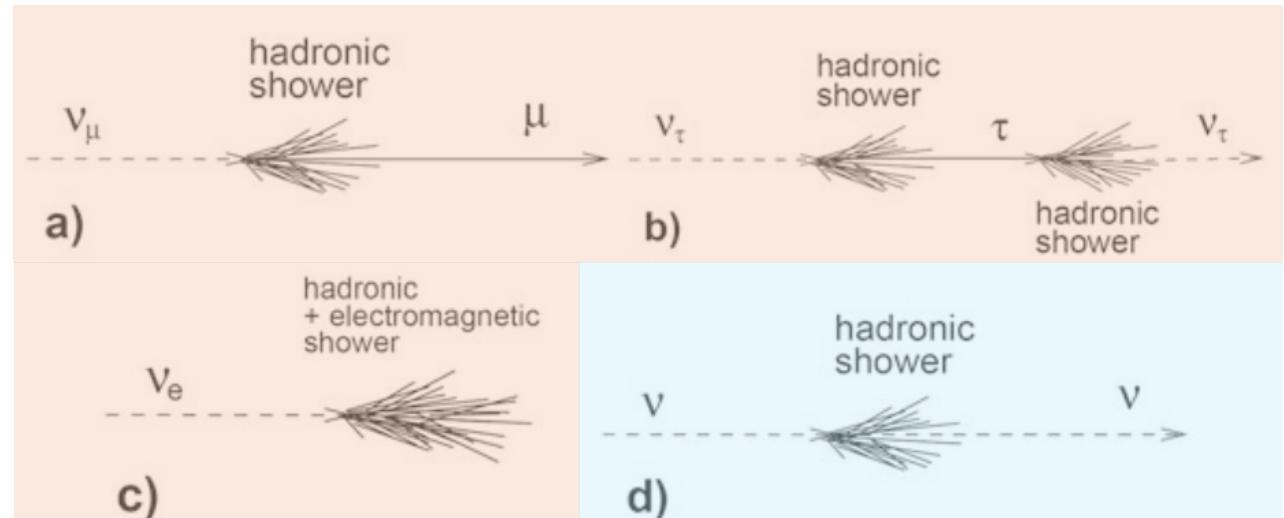
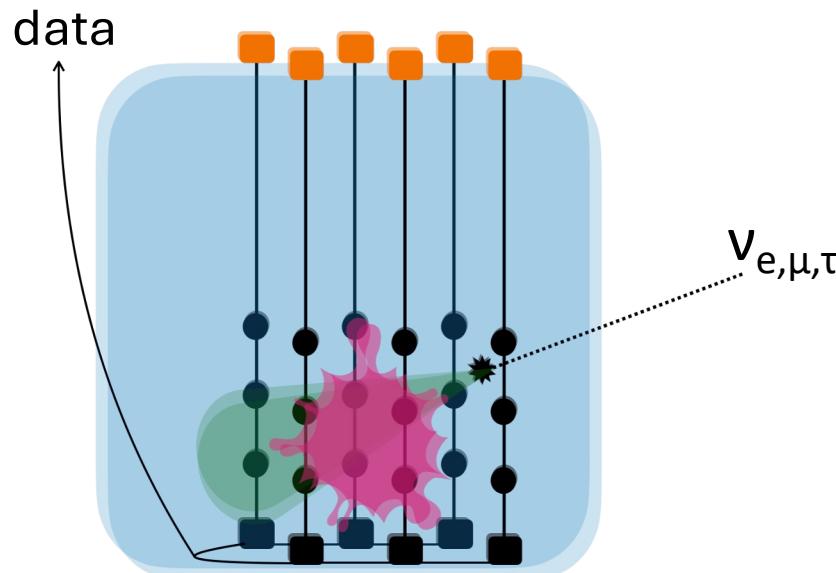


Why Gel Pads?



Neutrino Detection Principle

CC interactions
NC interactions



- Cherenkov light detection via 3-dimensional multi-PMT array
- Large detector volume necessary

P-OM Components

- 2 Glass Hemispheres
- 2 PMT Frames
- 16 PMTs + Gel Pads
- 16 HV Base
- 1 Mainboard
- 2 Interposer
- 1 SMUT
- 16 Optical Flasher
- 2 acoustic receiver
- 1 TOMCat
- 2 Axicones in complete String