



# SABRE SOUTH

OVERVIEW, SIMULATION, BACKGROUND MODELLING, PROSPECTS

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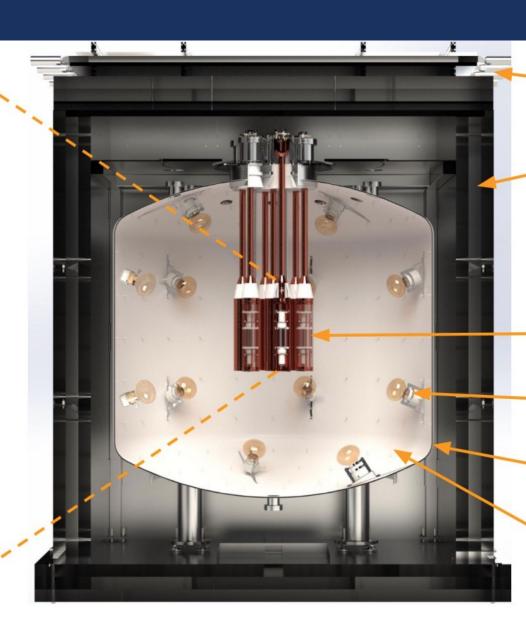
Feedthrough plate

OFHC Cu enclosure

Teflon internal structure

7.6 cm R11065 Hamamatsu PMTs

> Nal(TI) crystal



9.6 m<sup>2</sup> EJ200 scintillators for muon detection and rejection

Shielding to reduce external background:

- -8 cm of steel
- 10 cm of PE
- -8 cm of steel

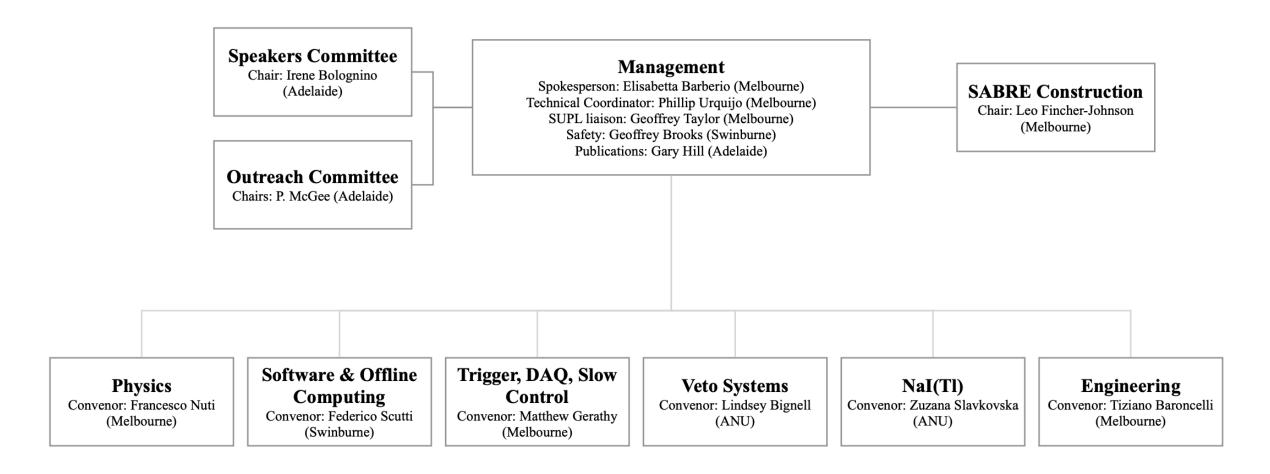
7 NaI(TI) crystals in Cu enclosures (each with 2 low radioactivity PMTs)

18 R5912 PMTs for veto

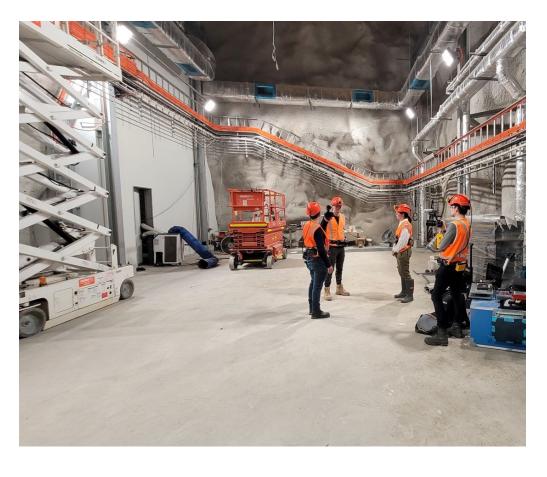
Veto vessel filled with 10T of LAB from JUNO doped with PPO (3.5 g/L) and Bis-MSB (15 mg/L)

Reflective lumirror coating

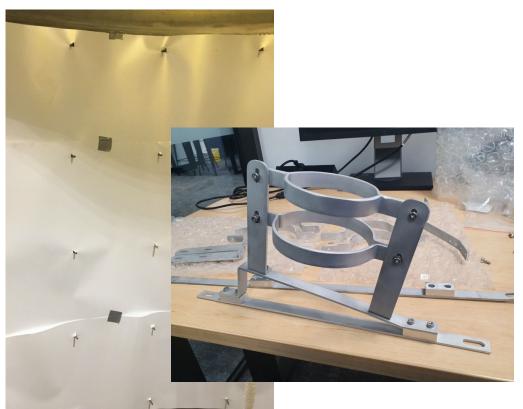
#### COLLABORATION STRUCTURE



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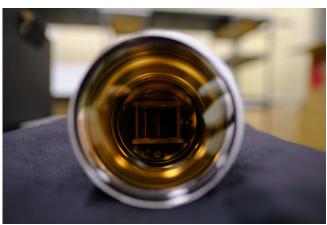
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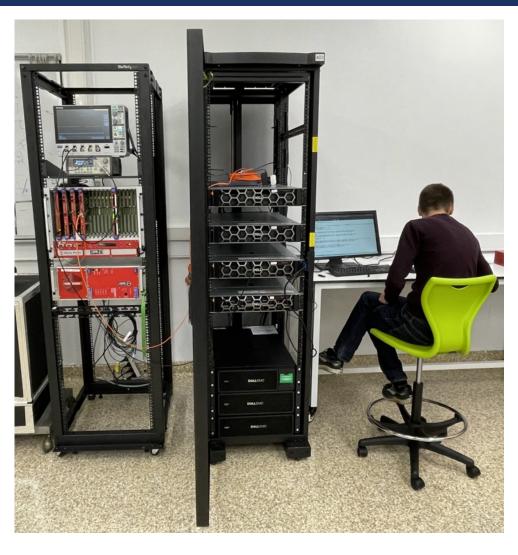
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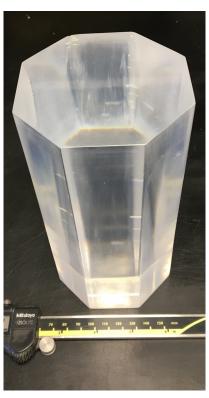
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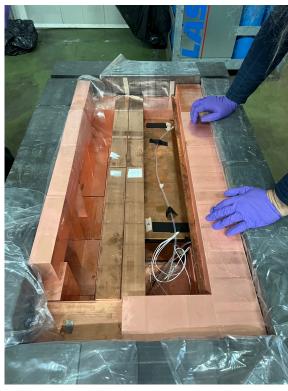


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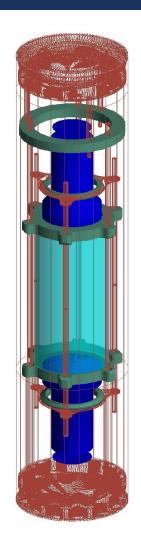
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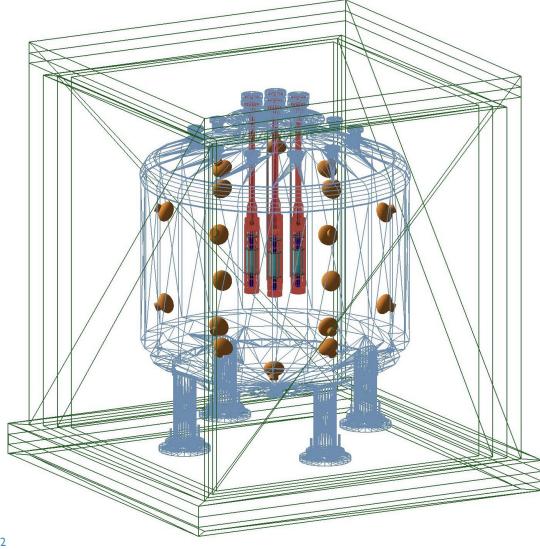




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# SIMULATION UPDATES

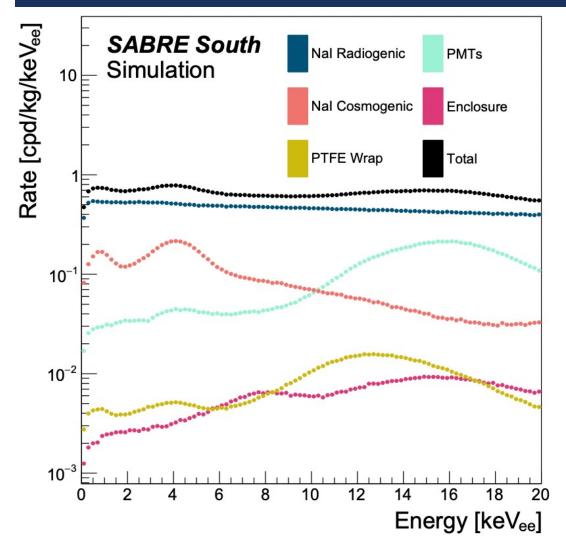




Detector reconstructed with high fidelity in Geant4.

Full MC background simulation conducted with version 10.7, but since have completed update to version 11.

MC PAPER arxiv:2205.13849



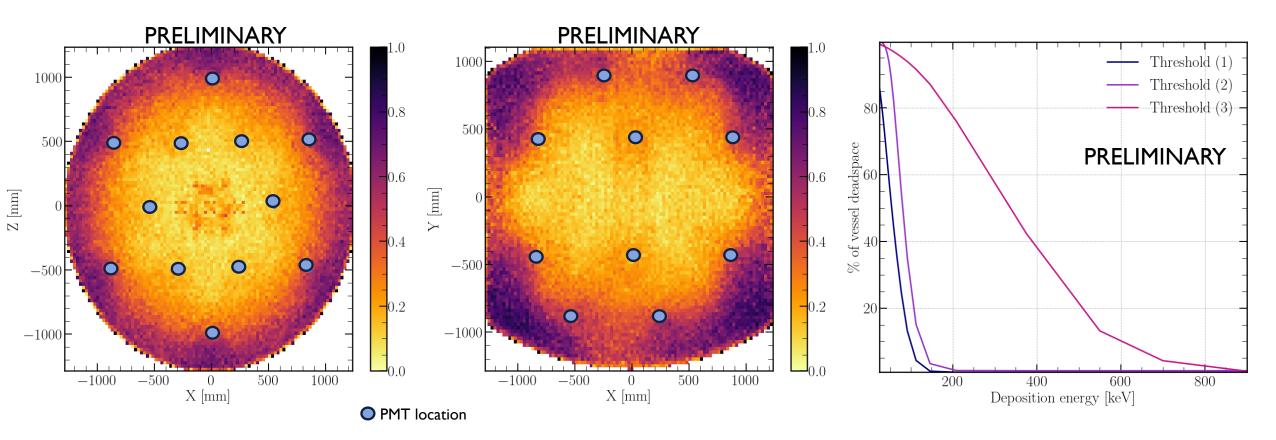
Paper submitted to EPJC: simulation of radioactive background components

	Rate [ cpd/kg/keV <sub>ee</sub> ]	Veto Efficiency [%]
Crystal radiogenic	$5.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$	13
Crystal cosmogenic	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-1}$	40
Crystal PMTs	$3.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$	60
PTFE wrap	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	13
Enclosures	$3.2\cdot10^{-3}$	85
Conduits	$1.9\cdot10^{-5}$	96
Liquid scintillator	$4.9 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 99
Steel vessel	$1.4\cdot10^{-5}$	> 99
Veto PMTs	$1.9\cdot 10^{-5}$	> 99
Shielding	$3.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	> 99
External	$O(10^{-4})$	> 99
Total	$7.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$	27

For comparison: DAMA's background is 0.8 dru, with COSINE and ANAIS closer to 3 dru

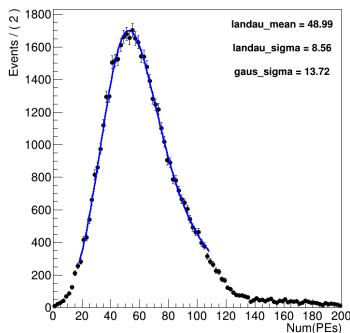
- Veto detector efficiency M. Verde, M. Zurowski
- Calibration methods I. Bolognino, K. Leaver, F. Nuti
- Induced modulation signatures K. Rule
- Sensitivity projections K. Leaver, M. Zurowski
- Muon rates and associated backgrounds G. Fu, M. Tan Ha
- Optical studies in crystal P. McNamara
- Cosmogenic activation Y.Y. Zhong
- Non linear light yield modelling Y.Y. Zhong
- Waveform simulation W. Melbourne, N. Spinks, M. Zurowski

Veto efficiency: how does the PMT number and position impact dead-space and detector efficiency? How does that roll over into our energy thresholds and signal triggers?

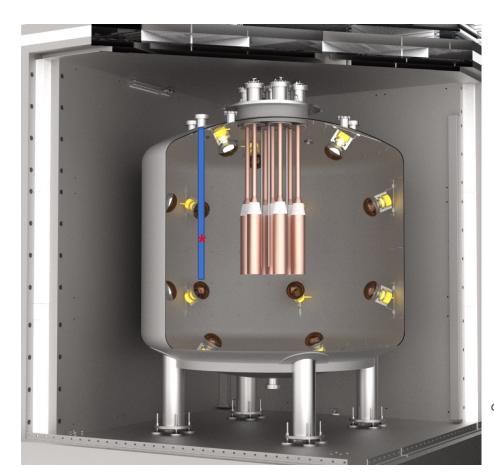


Calibration: what lasers and radioactive sources should we use to calibrate? Where should they be placed?

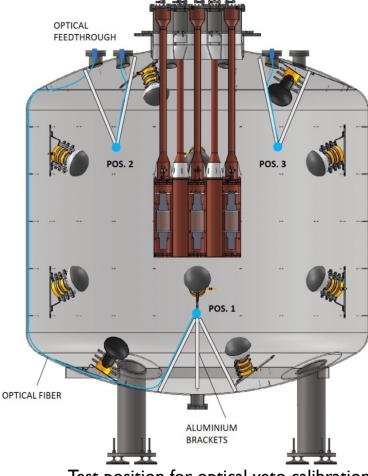




Shifts in crystal calibration source due to changes to quantum efficiency

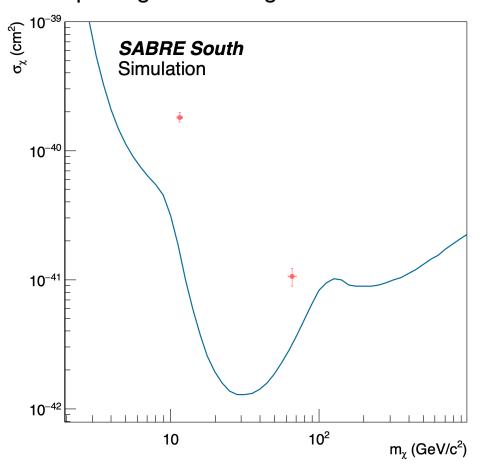


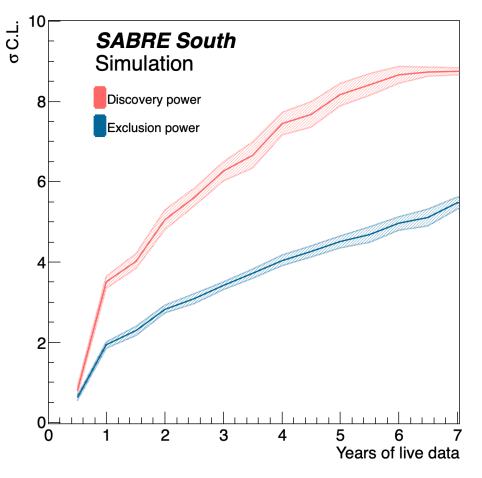
Finalised location of veto system radioactive calibration



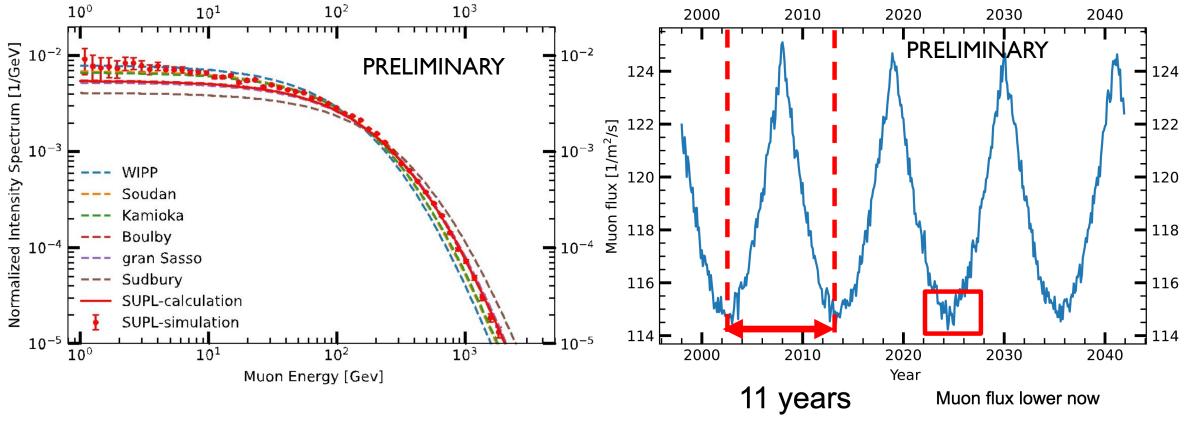
Test position for optical veto calibration

Sensitivity projections: how well will SABRE ultimately perform? What happens when we consider more complex signals or background sources?

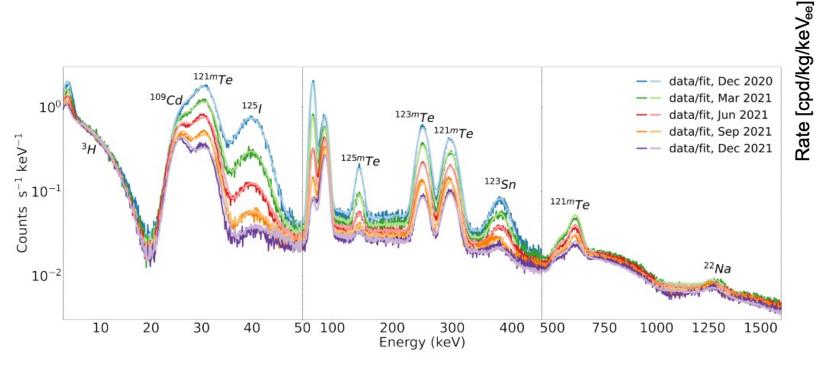




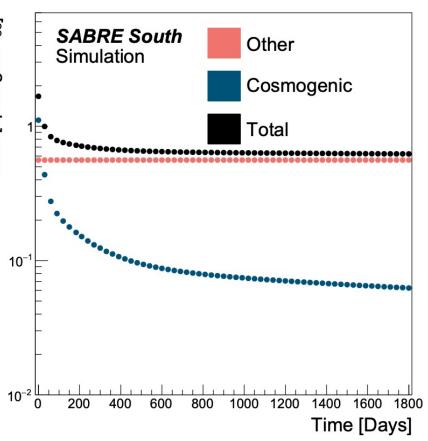
Muon simulations: what energy and position will muons have in SUPL? What kinds of background might these induce at the detector?



Cosmogenic simulations: what kinds of energies will the crystals be exposed to in travel? What backgrounds will this induce in them? How would this time dependence impact our sensitivity?



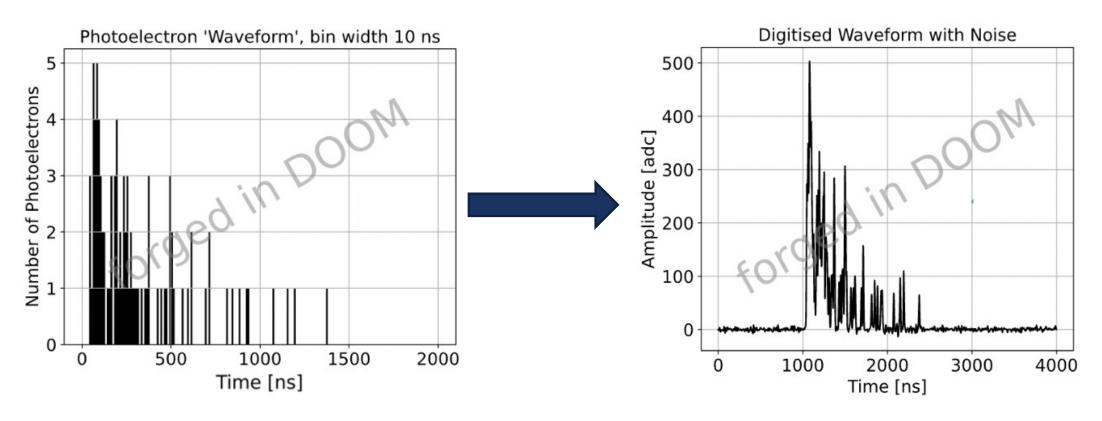
See Yi Yi Zhong's poster



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Waveform simulation: how can we improve the statistics used to design and test analysis methods? Outputs from Geant4 are too "perfect", and need to be adjusted to create more realistic waveforms to help inform position reconstruction and particle ID



#### **SUMMARY**

- Lots of movement and achievements for SABRE South this year, with the collaboration on track to begin taking underground data next year
- Simulation work has been ramping up in the meantime to make sure we fully understand our detection systems (as much as possible) before this happens
- Simulation projects span detector design, calibration, performance, analysis methods, and prospects, and involve collaboration across a number of nodes
- Most of this work in the process of being finalised for publication next year



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