

The Henryk Niewodniczański Institute of Nuclear Physics Polish Academy of Sciences (IFJ PAN) in Kraków - basic information





# **Genesis and History**

- 1955 founding of IFJ as the institute where the first cyclotron is located. Administratively, it was a branch of the Institute of Nuclear Research.
- **1960** IFJ becomes an autonomous institution



**1970** – Particle physics joins



Prof. Henryk Niewodniczański (1900-1968)

Prof. Marian Mięsowicz (1907-1992)

**1988** – The IFJ is named after its founder – Prof. Henryk Niewodniczański

**2003** – IFJ gets the status of a research institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences



# ✓ Personnel: 567:

- Prof. 31,
- Assoc. Prof. 58,
- Ph.D. 93,
- engineers 120



highest category among research institutions in Poland A+

Instytut kategorii A

"Centre of Excellence in Physics in Poland" KNOM Krajowy Naukowy Ośrodek Wiodący (2012-2017)

EU distinction of "HR Excellence in Research"





# **Age Profile of Researchers**





# **General Information about IFJ PAN**





# Staff: about 79 people

# Major research topics:

- The ATLAS experiment
- The LHCb experiment
- The Belle II experiment
- Cosmic Ray Research (PierreAuger, CREDO)
- Neutrino studies (T2K, P-ONE)
- High energy Gamma-Ray Astrophysics (HESS, HAWC, CTA)
- Involvement in other projects
  - MUonE experiment at CERN
  - o ATHENA experiment at future EIC
  - Physics feasibility studies for FCC
  - development of "Clould Computing" and GRID computing infrastructures





## Staff: about 45 people

### Major research areas:

- Nuclear structure studies in function of temperature, spin and isospin (AGATA, PARIS, EXOGAM, GALILEO ...)
- Nuclear reactions mechanisms and hadron collisions (BINA, KRATTA, KATANA...)
- Interactions of relativistic ions at LHC and SPS energies (ALICE, NA61/SHINE)
- Theoretical studies of the structure and dynamics of many-body systems nuclear and hadron physics
- Research and development of new detection techniques for nuclear physics (PARIS, AGATA, KATANA, KRAB....)





# Staff: about 60 people

## Major research topics:

- thin films of metals and alloys, nanoparticles, carbon coatings
- liquid crystals
- new magnetic materials
- glasses
- polymers
- molecular matter
- ion transport simulations
- neutron scattering techniques
- calculations of the structure and dynamics of materials





# Staff: about 34 people

## Major research topics:

- Theory of structure of matter
- Particle Theory
- Theory of complex systems
- Mathematical physics











Staff: about 40 people

# Major research topics:

- spectroscopic imaging of cells and tissues for diagnostics and therapy
- mechanical a rheological properties of cells and tissues
- effects of exposure of biological samples to ionizing radiation



search using the techniques of

Research using the techniques of vibrational micro- and nanospectroscopy



Research with the use of X-ray spectroscopy at Free Electron Laser facilities



Research with the use of NMR tomography



Studies of biological materials with atomic force microscopy



**AFM-IR technique** 



## Staff: about 45 people

# Major research topics:

- neutron transport
- neutron and ion diagnostics for tokamaks and stellarators
- medical physics for proton therapy
- space dosimetry, thermo- and optically stimulated luminescence, retrospective dosimetry
- **low-level radioactivity measurements** in environment:  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  spectroscopy
- mass spectrometry (Arctic, glaciers, etc.)



HRNS (High Resolution Neutron Spectrometer) for ITER





Studies of cosmic rays exposition of astronauts (on the Moon's orbit)

> Start-up Monitoring Module for IFMIF-DONES



Medicines as markers of radioactive pollution







National grants (NCN, NCBiR, FNP, MEiN, NAWA)



International grants (EU, F4E, VF, SNF)





# **Cyclotron Centre Bronowice (CCB)**

# Staff: about 50 people





Cyclotron PROTEUS C-235 proton beam 70-230 MeV





#### **Experimental hall**

**Two scanning gantries** 



Number of patients irradiated in the whole operation time 2016 – July 2024



# Applied research at the AIC-144 60 MeV proton cyclotron



#### Eye line for precise irradiation

- dose rate: 0.001 1 Gy/min
- beam field size:  $\leq$  40 mm;
- Typical flux: 10e8 10e9 p/cm2·s;

Line for isotope productionproton current: < 100nA;</li>





# Experimental room: high beam intensity

- proton current: 2nA 100nA;
- Dose rate up to 50 Gy/s
- irradiation field d < 12 cm;

#### AIC-144 Cyclotron: energy 60 MeV; RF 26,26 MHz; beam current 80 nA





Proton grid therapy – to reduce side effect sof treatment



Testing of detectors and dosimeters



Testing of electronics for space flights



Staff: specialists/engineers/technicians: 40 Phd/assoc. prof.: 5

# Constructions of large external research infrastructures and

### advanced plans of local research base

(cryogenics, vacuum, precise mechanics, quality aspects, test of magnets, RF systems installations and tests,...)

Last decade engagements: 536 FTE (person-years)



SIS100 at FAIR



QC for LHC magnets



Klystrons at ESS



# **Accredited Laboratories**

## Laboratory of Individual and Environmental Dosimetry (LADIS)

- Measurements of individual and environmental doses by thermoluminescence method
- 235 000 measurements in 2023, 11 000 institutions in Poland and Europe



## Laboratory of Calibration of Radiation Protection Instruments

- Calibration of up to 2300/yr survey meters (γ-rays)
- Calibration of **240/yr** survey meters ( $\alpha$ , β surface emission)



### Laboratory of Radiometric Expertise

**350** measurements, calibrations and expert opinions for external customers in 2023

Laboratory of Radioactivity Analyses

\* Laboratory is an ingredient of the national network of radioactive contamination monitoring

~100/yr commercial measurements of concentration of <sup>40</sup>K, <sup>228</sup>Th, <sup>226</sup>Ra, <sup>238, 239+240</sup>Pu, <sup>134,137</sup>Cs, <sup>99</sup>Tc, <sup>131</sup>I, ....



# Outreach Activities – Promotion and Education in Science

Małopolska Researchers' Night	Physics Couct			Shows "Fascinating Physics" for children and teenagers
	PHYSICS IN HOT PURSUIT	Festival of Science and Art in Krakow Visits of high school	Scientific Picnic of the Polish Radio and Copernicus Science Centre	Scientific Picnic of the Polish Academy of Sciences
Musical spectacle "At the intersection of two infinities"	(ca. 15 per year)	students to laboratories at IFJ PAN QuickPhysX and QuizFiz contests	IFJ PAN Open Day for students Silesian Science Festival in Katowice	Małopolski Festival of Innovation Particle Physics Summer Student Program at IFJ PAN
CREDO "Particle Hunters" contest with the CREDO Detector application	Children's Day at IFJ PAN	Int. Masterclasses - Hands on Particle Physics for high school students	Making popular science movies on research carried out at IFJ PAN	Activity in social media: Facebook, Twitter and YouTube



Krakow School of Interdisciplinary PhD Studies (established in 2019)

- 1. The Henryk Niewodniczański Institute of Nuclear Physics PAN
- 2. Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry PAN
- 3. Jerzy Maj Institute of Pharmacology PAN
- 4. Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute PAN
- 5. Strata Mechanics Research Institute PAN
- 6. Institute of Metallurgy and Materials Science PAN
- 7. Faculty of Materials Science and Ceramics AGH
- 8. Faculty of Physics and Applied Computer Science AGH

Education in the School prepares for obtaining the doctoral degree and is conducted in the following disciplines:

- physical sciences,
- chemical sciences,
- medical sciences,
- pharmaceutical sciences,
- material engineering
- environmental engineering, mining and energy.

# **108** PhD students, including **21** foreigners





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