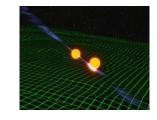






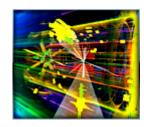
# **Physics Division Overview**



NSAC Meeting July 16, 2015



Bradley D. Keister, Deputy Division Director











#### Physics Division Research Portfolio

Hot – Active Galactic Nuclei Produce High Energy Cosmic Rays in Pierre Auger Observatory



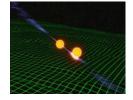


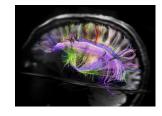
Cold – Ultracold Molecules at JILA



Large - Nucleosynthesis in Accreting White Dwarfs at JINA







Living – Brain Wave Images with Diffusion MRI

Non-Living – Proton-Proton Collisions at CERN





Old - Big-Bang Soup Recreated in Quark-Gluon Plasma at RHIC







Denise Caldwell, DD

#### **Physics Division Organization**

Brad Keister, DDD

Atomic, Molecular, Optical & Plasma Physics

Gillaspy (F); Lukin (T); Gitomer (E)

Interactive Activities in Physics (REU Sites, MRI, CAREER, BP org) McCloud (F)

Elementary Particle Physics; LHC Shank (I); González (F); Meadows (I); Coles (F)

Particle Astrophysics; IceCube
Whitmore (F); Cottam (F)

Physics at the Information Frontier (QIS, Computational Physics, CDS&E)

Orel (I); Mihaila (F)

Gravitational Physics; LIGO, AdvLIGO
Marronetti (F); Coles (F)

Nuclear Physics; NSCL Opper (F); Hicks (I)

Theoretical Physics (AMO, Nuclear, EPP, AC) Orel (I); Mihaila (F); Dienes (V)

Physics of Living Systems
Blagoev (F)

Physics Frontiers Centers
Cottam (F); McCloud (F)

Accelerator Science
Shank (I); González (F); Lukin (T)

Mid-Scale Instrumentation, Coles, Science Advisor



# News and Highlights

- Committee of Visitors
- Facilities
- Frontiers Centers
- Budgets
- OMB-OSTP Priorities

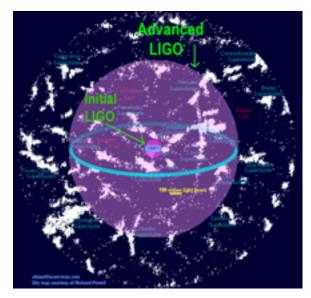


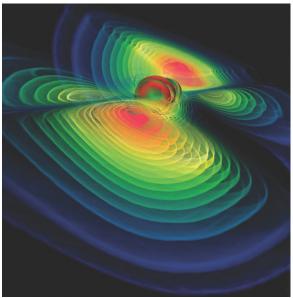
# Physics Division Committee of Visitors February 4-6, 2015

- 33 members across all division-related disciplines
- Eric Cornell (JILA), chair
- COV reports to MPS Advisory Committee
- Report and response available on-line:

http://www.nsf.gov/mps/advisory/cov.jsp

## Advanced LIGO Completion & Dedication

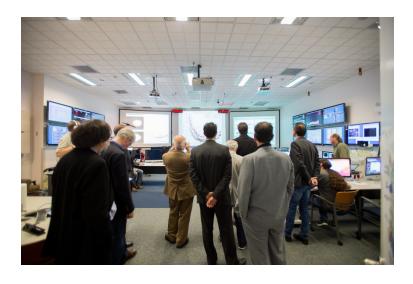




• Dedication: May 2015

Commissioning: sensitivity now 4x original LIGO

First science run: September 2015







### LHC

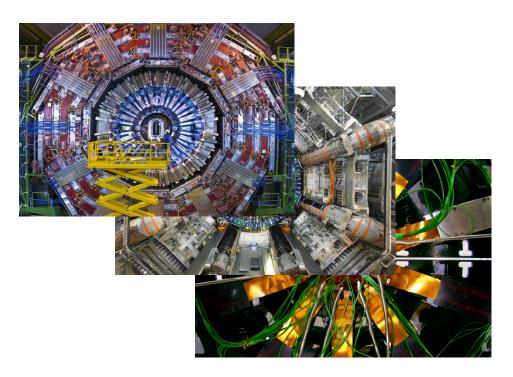
Now running at 13 TeV

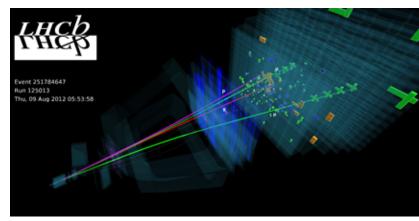
NSF supports researchers at ATLAS, CMS, ALICE

• Phase 1 upgrade (midscale)

NSF supports US participation in LHCb

- Midscale upgrade
- Evidence for pentaquark-charmonium state

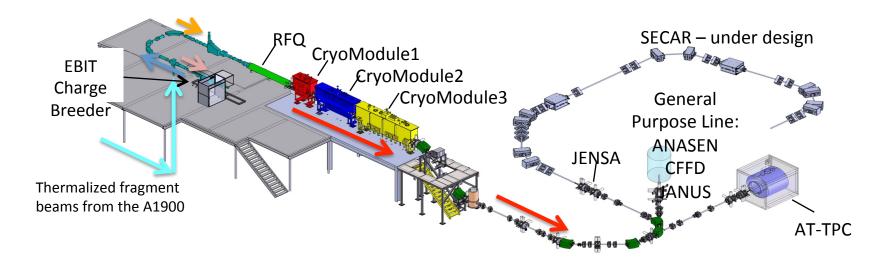




## **NSCL**



- ReA3 now ready for science
- GRETINA to arrive July 2015



#### **IceCube**







- IC86-2014 run complete May 2015
  - 90,000 neutrinos
  - o 90B muons
- Upper limits on non-standard flavor distributions
- Time-dependent astrophysical neutrino sources

Announced recompetition of IceCube management: <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=505204">http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=505204</a>
Deadline October 7, 2015

# **Physics Frontiers Centers**



(RENEWED) The four core institutions of JINA-CEE, along with their eighteen associated domestic institutions and partnerships with other international centers, bring together nuclear physics and astrophysics for theoretical, computational, and laboratory investigations. JINA-CEE will explore two closely connected topics: the origin of the elements beyond those created in the Big Bang and the properties of the dense matter in neutron stars. This PFC will use interdisciplinary visitor, school, and workshop programs to engage K-12, undergraduate and graduate students, teachers, and the public.



University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

(NEW) North American Nanohertz Observatory for Gravitational Waves NANOGrav will look for gravitational waves with nanohertz frequencies-frequencies eleven orders of magnitude lower than those probed by LIGO. NANOGrav will observe and correlate signals of millisecond pulsars. This PFC will also interact with middle school, high school, and undergraduate students, engaging them in data collection and analysis along with public lecture programs.





# Physics Division Operating Plan for FY 2015

(some good news...)

FY 2015 Budget Request

\$263.70 M

FY 2015 Operating Plan

\$274.99 M

Proposal and Award Processing Underway –

No Further Details Available

FY 2016 Budget Request

\$277.37 M



#### NSF Budget Process: FY2016

#### FY 2016 Congressional Action on R&D in the National Science Foundation

(budget authority in millions of nominal dollars)

|  | FY 2014 | FY 2015  | FY 2016 | FY 2016 | FY15 C | hange  | Request | Change  | FY 2016  | FY15 Ch | ange    | Request | Change  |
|--|---------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|  | Actual  | Estimate | Budget  | House   | Amount |        | :       | Percent | Senate** | Amount  | Percent | Amount  | Percent |
| Total Estimated R&D                      | 5,800   | 5,999    | 6,309   | 6,077   | 78     | 1.3%   | -232    | -3.7%   | 6,031    | 33      | 0.5%    | -277    | -4.4%   |
| R&D by Character                         |         |          |         |         |        |        |         |         |          |         |         |         |         |
| Conduct of R&D                           | 5,403   | 5,562    | 5,864   | 5,640   | 78     | 1.4%   | -224    | -3.8%   | 5,596    | 34      | 0.6%    | -267    | -4.6%   |
| R&D Facilities                           | 397     | 437      | 445     | 437     | 0      | 0.0%   | -8      | -1.9%   | 435      | -2      | -0.4%   | -10     | -2.3%   |
| Discretionary Budgets (include non-R&D)  |         |          |         |         |        |        |         |         |          |         |         |         |         |
| Research and Related Activities (R&RA)   | 5,775   | 5,934    | 6,186   | 5,984   | 50     | 0.8%   | -203    | -3.3%   | 5,934    | 0       | 0.0%    | -253    | -4.1%   |
| Biological Sciences (BIO)*               | 721     | 731      | 748     | 780     | 49     | 6.7%   | 32      | 4.3%    | 731      | 0       | 0.0%    | -17     | -2.3%   |
| Computer and Info Sci and Eng (CISE)*    | 893     | 922      | 954     | 995     | 73     | 7.9%   | 41      | 4.3%    | 922      | 0       | 0.0%    | -33     | -3.4%   |
| Engineering (ENG)*                       | 833     | 892      | 949     | 990     | 97     | 10.9%  | 40      | 4.3%    | 892      | 0       | 0.0%    | -57     | -6.0%   |
| Geosciences (GEO)*                       | 1,321   | 1,304    | 1,365   | 1,088   | -217   | -16.6% | -278    | -20.3%  | 1,304    | 0       | 0.0%    | -61     | -4.5%   |
| Mathematical and Physical Sci (MPS)*     | 1,268   | 1,337    | 1,366   | 1,424   | 88     | 6.6%   | 58      | 4.3%    | 1,337    | 0       | 0.0%    | -30     | -2.2%   |
| Social, Behavioral, and Econ Sci (SBE)*  | 257     | 272      | 291     | 232     | -40    | -14.7% | -59     | -20.3%  | 272      | 0       | 0.0%    | -19     | -6.6%   |
| Integrative Activities*                  | 433     | 425      | 459     | 425     | 0      | 0.0%   | -34     | -7.4%   | 425      | 0       | 0.0%    | -34     | -7.4%   |
| Office of Internatl Sci and Engineering* | 48      | 49       | 51      | 49      | 0      | 0.0%   | -3      | -4.9%   | 49       | 0       | 0.0%    | -3      | -4.9%   |
| Arctic Research Commission*              | 1       | 1        | 1       | 1       | 0      | 0.0%   | 0       | -4.7%   | 1        | 0       | 0.0%    | 0       | -4.7%   |
| Major Research Equip & Facils (MREFC)    | 200     | 201      | 200     | 200     | -1     | -0.4%  | 0       | -0.1%   | 200      | 0       | -0.2%   | 0       | 0.0%    |
| Education & Human Resources (EHR)        | 832     | 866      | 963     | 866     | 0      | 0.0%   | -97     | -10.0%  | 866      | 0       | 0.0%    | -97     | -10.0%  |
| Agency Ops & Award Mgmt (AOAM)           | 306     | 325      | 355     | 325     | 0      | 0.0%   | -30     | -8.4%   | 325      | 0       | 0.0%    | -30     | -8.4%   |
| National Science Board (NSB)             | 4       | 4        | 4       | 4       | 0      | 0.0%   | 0       | 0.0%    | 4        | 0       | 0.0%    | 0       | 0.0%    |
| Inspector General (OIG)                  | 14      | 14       | 15      | 15      | 1      | 5.1%   | 0       | 0.0%    | 14       | 0       | 0.1%    | -1      | -4.7%   |
| Total NSF Budget                         | 7,131   | 7,344    | 7,724   | 7,394   | 50     | 0.7%   | -329    | -4.3%   | 7,344    | 0       | 0.0%    | -380    | -4.9%   |

<sup>\*</sup>Appropriators do not allocate funding by directorate. However, the House Committee has said that the MPS, CISE, ENG, and BIO directorates shall receive at least 70 percent of R&RA funding, and that IA, OISE, and ARC are to remain flat from FY 2015 levels. The R&RA appropriation has thus been allocated proportionally under these constraints for illustrative purposes.

Source: OMB R&D data, Budget of the U.S. Government FY 2016, agency budget documents, and appropriations bills and reports.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The Senate Committee passed its Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill June 11.

The House reported its Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill (HR 2578) on June 3.

All figures rounded to the nearest million. Changes calculated from unrounded figures.

#### **OMB-OSTP Priorities Memo for FY2017**





July 9, 2015

M-15-16

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

FROM: Shape

Director

Dr. John P. Holdren

Director
Office of Science and Technology Poli

SUBJECT: Multi-Agency Science and Technology Priorities for the FY 2017 Budget

Scientific discovery, technological breakthroughs, and innovation are the primary engines for expanding the frontiers of human knowledge and are vital for responding to the challenges and opportunities of the 21<sup>st</sup> entruty. The Nation depends on science, technology, and innovation to promote economic growth and job creation, maintain a safe and sufficient food supply, improve the health of Americans, move toward a clean energy future, address global climate change, manage competing demands on environmental resources, and ensure the Nation's security.

Federal government funding for research and development (R&D) is essential to address societal needs in areas in which the private sector does not have sufficient economic incentive to make the required investments. Key among these is basic research—the fundamental, curiosity-driven inquiry that is a hallmark of the American research enterprise and a powerful driver of new technology. Simply supporting research is not sufficient, however, Federal agencies should ensure that the results of that research are made available to other scientists, to the public, and to innovators who can translate them into the businesses and products that will improve all of our lives.

This memorandum outlines the Administration's multi-agency science and technology priorities for formulating FY 2017 Budget submissions to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The priorities covered in this memo require investments in R&D; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education; STEM workforce development; technology transfer; R&D infrastructure; and scientific-collection management. The priorities in this

- Priorities apply across executive branch
- Priorities affect Δs in budget process

| Priority Area   | Overlap with Physics | Overlap with<br>Nuclear Physics |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Global climate change                                     | ·                    | ·                               |
| Clean Energy  |                      |                                 |
| Earth Observations  |                      |                                 |
| Advanced Manufacturing                                    |                      |                                 |
| Innovation in Life Science, Biology, and Neuroscience     |                      |                                 |
| National and Homeland Security                            |                      |                                 |
| Information Technology and High-<br>Performance Computing |                      |                                 |
| Ocean and Arctic Issues                                   |                      |                                 |
| R&D for Informed Policy-Making and                        |                      |                                 |
| Management  |                      |                                 |
| R&D Infrastructure  |                      |                                 |

- Physics of Living Systems
- Cyberinfrastructure Framework for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (CIF21)