

# 50 years

# of Institute of Nuclear Physics in Cracow and

# its contribution to relativistic nuclear physics

# <u>The Henryk Niewodniczański Institute</u> <u>of Nuclear Physics in Cracow</u>



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**Professor Henryk Niewodniczański** 

(1900 - 1968)

Founder of the Institute. Discovered magnetic dipole transitions in atomic spectra (1934). Was the member of the JINR Scientific Council.



#### **Professor Marian Mięsowicz**

(1907 - 1992)

Founder of high energy physics in Cracow. Early work on liquid crystals (discovered anisotropy of viscosity in external magnetic field), later work on cosmic rays.

### **Aerial view of the Institute**



### **Main fields of research**

- Particle physics and astrophysics
- Nuclear physics
- Condensed matter physics
- Interdisciplinary research and applied physics

#### **Personnel:** 450 total

180 scientists with Ph.D

26 professors

About <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> work in high energy physics (CERN, DESY, BNL, KEK)

### **Physics with relativistic nuclei**

Early days – Cosmic ray experiments:

**ICEF** – International Cooperative Emulsion Flight Nuclear emulsion inradiated by cosmic rays in stratosphere – Some primaries were nuclei.

**The Pamir Collaboration** – calorimeters with X-ray films exposed at mountain altitude (4300 m). Observation of "Centauro" events and of strongly penetrating (long – flying) component. Possible interpretation: strange quark matter production by a primary cosmic ray nucleus in upper atmosphere, successive decays of a strangelet.

Review:

E. Gładysz-Dziaduś - Phys. Part. Nucl. 34 (2003) 285

$$E_{\theta} \sim 10^{15} - 10^{16} eV$$



PHOTON-HADRON FAMILIES in cosmic ray mountain experiments

TYPICAL EVENT  $\Sigma E_h < 30 \% \Sigma E_{vis}$  $H \sim 100 - 1000 m$ **CENTAURO**  $\Sigma E_h >> \Sigma E_{\gamma}$  $N_h > N_\gamma$  $Q_h = \Sigma E_h / \Sigma E_{vis} > 0.5$  $\Sigma \boldsymbol{E}_{vis} = \Sigma \boldsymbol{E}_h + \Sigma \boldsymbol{E}_{\gamma}$ 

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#### STRONGLY PENETRATING CASCADES in Pb CHAMBERS STRANGELETS???



Cascades pass through the chamber practically without attenuation and revealed many-maxima character with small distances between humps

#### **CENTAURO FIREBALL EVOLUTION**



A.Panagiotou et al., Phys. Rev. D45 (1992) 3134 Estimated for Chacaltaya Centauros:

- Energy density
  - $\varepsilon \sim 2.4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$ ,
- Temperature
  - T ~ 130 MeV
- **Baryon chemical potential** 
  - μb ~ 1.8 GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>

Sufficient for PHASE TRANSITION

Possible STRANGELET FORMATION

#### Strangelet passage through the Pb emulsion chamber

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Metastable strangelet

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em Pb

E. G.-D. and Z. Wlodarczyk,

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#### **JACEE Collaboration** – again emulsions irradiated in baloon flights:

Si, Ca + AgBr at ~ 1 TeV/nucleon  $N_{ch} > 1000$  $\epsilon = 4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$  from Bjorken formula

Early indication that energy density necessary for a transition to the quark-gluon plasma can be achieved in high energy nuclear collisions

[T.H. Burnett et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 50 (1983) 2062]

#### **Experiments at accelerators**

#### The Dubna synchrophasotron 2 m propane bubble chamber

p, d, He, C at 3.7 AGeV Multiplicities of produced pai  $\pi$ - $\pi$  correlations, p-p correlations





[J.Bartke et al., Yad. Fiz. 32 (1980) 699]

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Fig. 45. Radii of the pion emission source in collisions of relativistic nuclei versus cubic root of the mass number of the projectile. The straight line represents the effective nuclear interaction radius of the projectile.<sup>189</sup>

[J. Bartke, Phys. Lett. 174 B (1986) 32]

### **Emulsion experiment at the Dubna synchrophasotron**

#### The problem of "anomalons":

E.M. Friedländer et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 45 (1980) 1084

<sup>22</sup>Ne at 4.2 AGeV Convincing evidence against "anomalons"





Fig. 8. Evidence against anomalons with charges  $3 \le Z \le 10$  from the emulsion experiment with <sup>22</sup>Ne beam at Dubna. The plot shows experimental distributions of mean-free-path of secondary nuclei with different values of Z. From Ref. 71.

#### **Emulsion experiments at BNL and CERN**

Comparative studies of nuclear collisions at various energies. Evidence for ,,limiting fragmentation" (A.M. Baldin)



Fig. 50. Normalized pseudorapidity distributions in  ${}^{16}O + Ag/Br$  interactions at three energies: (1) 14.6 GeV/nucleon, (2) 60 GeV/nucleon and (3) 200 GeV/nucleon.<sup>79</sup>

[L.M. Barbier et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 60 (1988 405]

#### **Experiment NA35 at the CERN SPS**

**2m streamer chamber** <sup>16</sup>O at 60 and 200 AGeV <sup>32</sup>S at 200 AGeV

#### Study of charged particle multiplicities Evidence for important role of collisions geometry









Fig. 3. Multiplicity distributions of negative particles for two energies of the 16O projectile, presented in the KNO scaling variable, for Au(a) and Cu(b) targets.

[A. Bamberger et al., Phys. Lett. B205 (1988) 583]

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# **Experiment NA35 at the CERN SPS**

#### Spectra of charged kaons from decays in flight ( $\tau$ -decays and "kinks")



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M. Kowalski / Production of charged kaons in central S+S and O+Au collisions 612c

M. Kowalski, Nucl. Phys. A544 (1992) 609c (data for K<sup>0</sup>'s are from J. Bartke et al., Z. Phys. C48 (1990) 191

# **Experiment NA49 at the CERN SPS**







![](_page_19_Figure_0.jpeg)

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# 2) Energy dependence of central heavy ion collisions

Idea: phase transition = anomalies

hadronic matter --> quark-gluon plasma

![](_page_20_Figure_3.jpeg)

M.Gazdzicki, J.Phys.G:Nucl.Part.Phys.30 (2004) S701 Collision energy [GeV/nucleon pair]

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### 3) Penta-quarks

![](_page_21_Figure_1.jpeg)

K.Kadija, J.Phys.G:Nucl.Part.Phys.30 (2004) S1359

### **PHOBOS experiment at RHIC**

![](_page_22_Figure_1.jpeg)

# **PHOBOS experiment at RHIC (ctnd)**

Our contribution: - design and construction of mechanical support (carbon fibers technology)

- software

![](_page_23_Figure_3.jpeg)

Fig. 3. Beam energy dependence of the charged particle multiplicity density per participant pair averaged over the region  $|\eta| \leq 1$ . Data are shown for central AuAu (AGS and RHIC) or PbPb (SPS) collisions as well as proton-antiproton collisions. See text for details and references.

B.B. Back et al., Acta Phys.Pol. B33 (2002) 1419

### **PHOBOS experiment at RHIC (ctnd)**

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

[B.B. Back et al., J.Phys.G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 30 (2004) S1133]

**Figure 3.** (a) Comparison of the pseudorapidity distribution of charged particles for d+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV for centrality bin 50–70% with compilation of world data on p+Em collisions at five energies. The  $\eta$  measured in centre-of-mass system has been shifted to  $\eta + y_{\text{target}}$  in order to study the fragmentation regions in the gold/Emulsion direction. (b) Similar to (a) but shifted to  $\eta - y_{\text{beam}}$  in order to study the fragmentation regions in the deuteron/proton direction. (c) and (d) The same as (a) and (b) but for more central d+Au collisions and compared to p+pb collisions at three energies (for more details see text).

#### Recent results (presented at "Quark Matter 2005"):

- low transverse momentum particle spectra
- comparison Cu + Cu vs Au + Au
- elliptic flow

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### Low-p<sub>T</sub> Spectra of Identified Particles Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 200 GeV

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No enhancement in low- $p_T$  yields for pions is observed Flattening of (p+p) spectra down to very low  $p_T$ , consistent with transverse expansion of the system

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### <u>dN/dŋ in Cu+Cu vs Au+Au</u>

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![](_page_27_Figure_0.jpeg)

Substantial v<sub>2</sub> even for most central bin in Cu+Cu

### **LHC as Ion Collider**

• Running conditions:

Collision system	√s <sub>NN</sub> (TeV)	L <sub>0</sub> (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	<£>/£ <sub>0</sub> (%)	Run time (s/year)	σ <sub>geom</sub> (b)
pp	14.0	10 <sup>34</sup> *		107	0.07
PbPb	5.5	10 <sup>27</sup>	70-50	106 **	7.7
$L_{max}(ALICE) = 10^{31}$			** L <sub>int</sub> (ALICE) ~ 0.7 nb <sup>-1</sup> /year		

+ other collision systems: pA, lighter ions (Sn, Kr, Ar, O) & energies (pp @ 5.5 TeV).

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# **ALICE** Detector

![](_page_29_Picture_1.jpeg)

# **TPC** layout

![](_page_30_Picture_1.jpeg)

GAS VOLUME 88 m<sup>3</sup>

DRIFT GAS 90% Ne -10%CO<sub>2</sub> Field cage finished FEE finished Read out chamber finished At present preintegration of field cage into experiment

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#### Mounting the TPC Central Electrode With 10<sup>-4</sup> parallelism to readout chambers

![](_page_31_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_31_Picture_2.jpeg)

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# Preparing Space Frame for TPC/ITS/TRD/TOF Pre-Integration

![](_page_32_Picture_1.jpeg)

Pre-Integration of ITS/TPC/TRD/ TOF ongoing at present moment

# FIELD CAGE IN CLEANROOM

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#### **CASTOR CALORIMETER CONCEPTUAL DESIGN**

- Cerenkov light is generated inside the quartz plates as they are traversed by the fast particles in the shower (shower core detector) developing in tungsten longitudinal sampling sufficient for a study of structures in longitudinal

-Azimuthal and development of cascades

- Large depth for detection of strongly penetrating objects

EM = 2RU (~ 28 X0) HAD = 18 RU (~10  $\Lambda_{\rm I}$ )

![](_page_34_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### **CMS Very-Forward Region**

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### **Collider experiments, in opposite to cosmic ray** studies, explore mainly central rapidity region

#### **HIJING Pb+Pb central**

![](_page_36_Figure_2.jpeg)

 $SPS \sim 40 \%$ evatron  $\sim 20\%$ 

HC (central)  $\sim 5 \%$ 

Measured energy fraction :

**CASTOR**, similarly to cosmic ray detectors, will study the forward high energy flow region:

 $<sup>\</sup>sim 32\%$  of total energy flow

## **Main theoretical developments**

- 1. The "wounded nucleon" model
  - A. Białas, M.Błeszyński, W. Czyż, Nucl. Phys. B111 (1976) 461
- 2. A single-freezout statistical model

#### **Assumptions:**

- Chemical and thermal freeze-outs coincide
- Bjorken- type freeze-out hyper-surface
- All hadronic resonances contribute

![](_page_37_Figure_8.jpeg)

Fig. 1. The  $p_{\perp}$ -spectra at midrapidity of pions (solid line), kaons (dashed line) and protons or antiprotons (dashed-dotted line). The model calculation is compared to the PHENIX preliminary minimum-bias data [21], Au + Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 130$  GeV A.

W. Florkowski, W. Broniowski, Acta Phys. Pol. 33 (2002) 1649