# Closing remarks

# Some news/reminders

- We have a broad and exciting programme (>20 experiment in operation construction or being planned). This also implies:
  - a <u>substantial call on</u> the <u>workshop</u> the <u>LSDC</u> and on <u>technical and engineering staff</u> → ensure projects include funding for effort and facilities needed. If you have a project join the operation meeting.
  - We also remain very constrained when it comes to lab-space
- We have been successful <u>applying for grants</u>, (overall research income has increase a lot) but we are not exploiting all opportunities.
  - Studentships: Number of PhD students has dropped a bit after a very entry high spike ~ 5 years ago. Look again at shared studentships and funding opportunities, but we also need to attract more applicants
  - Fellowships: lot of work done by Monica to improve the recruitment process for potential fellows in the department, but this needs all of us to look out for the best candidates
  - Some missed opportunities: Very few recent applications for ERC fellowships.
- <u>Projects for undergraduates</u>. Would be good to have more PP undergraduate projects next year. These are not restricted to academics!
- <u>National and wider environment:</u> Annual call for STFC/UKRI panel membership (closed for this year). L'pool involvement in recent Snowmass and P5 process. Next up: STFC programmatic review and next European strategy
- <u>Seminars</u> Active <u>PP seminar programme</u> ... please also note also <u>theory seminars</u> and dedicated <u>lecture series on muon</u> physics.
- PDRs season is upon us..
- Host major national and international meetings: g-2, muon workshop, IOP, Itk, LHCb Upgrade, possibly NUFAC'25
- Particle Physics Research Frontier → few slides

# WHAT IS A FRONTIER?

# **Liverpool 2031:**

The University strategy has Research & Impact as one pillar

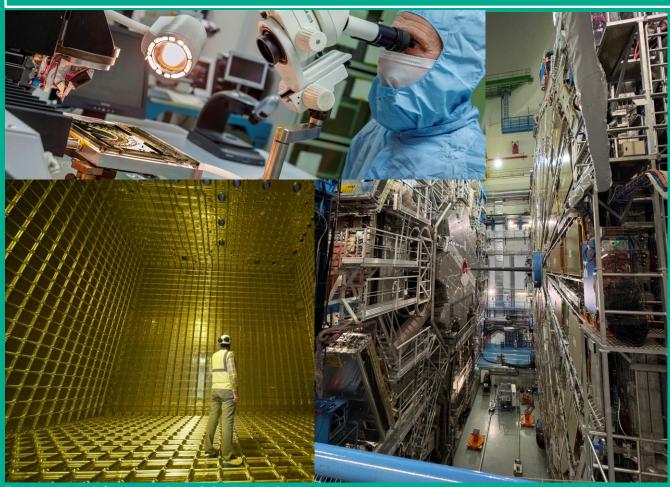
"our new **Research Frontiers** will see the University inject additional support and investment into some of our most impactful and globally-significant research."

 A Frontier has a USP, potential to achieve international leadership and potential to generate more income

## Three Frontiers were proposed, and confirmed:

- 1. Materials Discovery Frontier
- 2. Particle Physics Frontier
- 3. Therapeutics Innovation Frontier

# PARTICLE PHYSICS FRONTIER: UNCOVERING THE SECRETS OF THE UNIVERSE



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# Large PP group

Research income > £8.5M/yr >850 publications 2018-23 29 academics and fellows

41 researchers

25 engineers/technicians/support 60 PGR students

International leadership and wide range of international experiments and partners.....

USP: One-stop approach from technology conception to new science realization.

# **Boulby Laboratory**

**Neutrinos** 

# Liverpool

Liquid argon R&D Silicon R&D Computing R&D

#### **CERN**

LHC experiments Muons **Neutrinos** 

Paul Scherrer Lab. Muons

# **Gran Sasso**

Dark matter Neutrinos

### **Brookhaven**

**Protons** 

#### **Fermilab**

Muons Neutrinos atom interferometry

**SNOLab** 

Neutrinos

### **BNL**

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#### **SURFLab**

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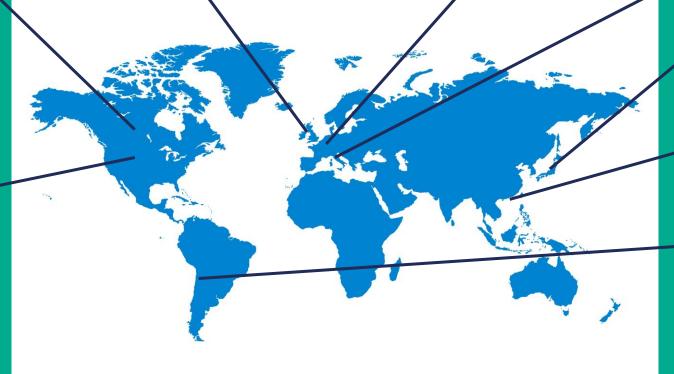
# **J-PARC** Neutrinos

# **JUNO**

Neutrinos

#### **Paranal**

Dark matter



# PARTICLE PHYSICS FRONTIER

#### **Our Vision:**

To enable opportunities to extend, enrich and showcase our Particle Physics research

#### **Our Ambitions:**

- 1. Attract national and international talent
- 2. Consolidate and extend our detector expertise
- 3. Consolidate and extend our world-leading, innovative and discovery-oriented research
- 4. Raise the profile of Liverpool Particle Physics

#### **Actions Taken:**

Drafted 5 year strategic plan in collaboration with the Particle Physics cluster and department

### **Next Steps:**

Finalise and circulate plan to staff Develop implementation plan

This may be extended to include:

- Consider UG stream / PG taught programmes
- Increase research income / Develop major grant proposals
- Impact development