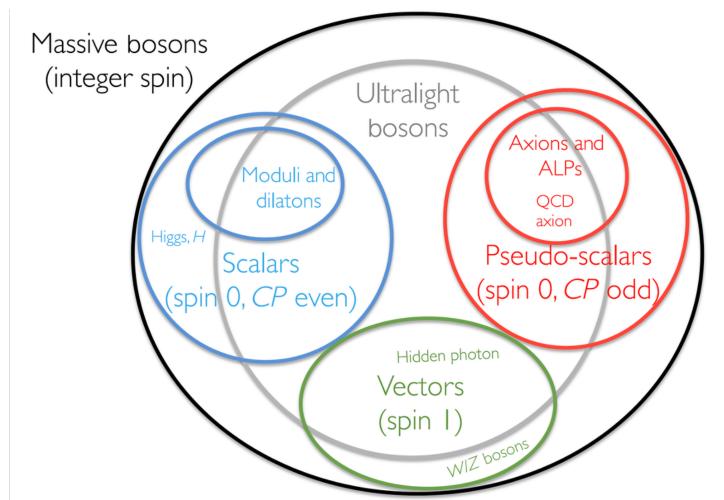


R&D proposal for Quantum and FLASH

R&D meeting 15.12.2025

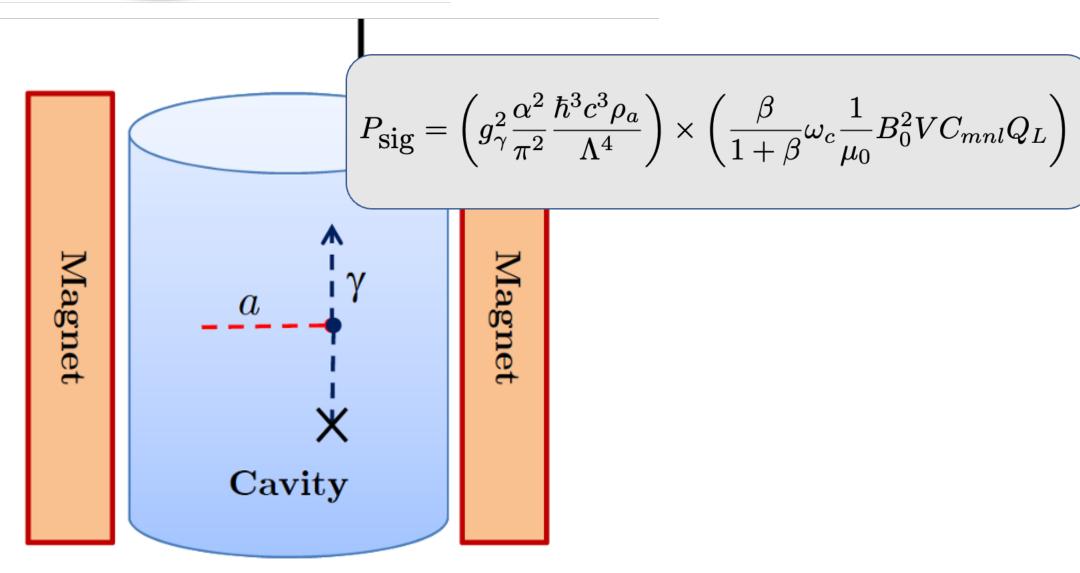
Halo-scopes at LNF: FLASH



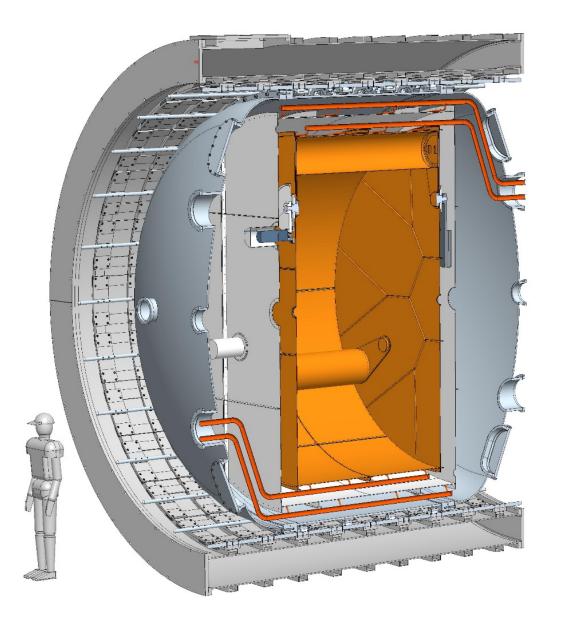


- Dark matter search for particle interacting with the EM field
- LNF halo-scopes
 - QUAX@LNF
 (QUaerere AXions, Latin for "to search for axions")
 - 2. FLASH

(Finuda magnet for Light Axion Search Haloscope)







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- CryOgenic Laboratory for Detectors:
 - Axion Dark Matter Experiments
 - Quantum Sensing with Superconducting Devices
 - Type II and HTC Superconducting Cavities
- Cryostat with a 8T magnet to be sent to the Liverpool University
 - ► AMI Magnet + PRESSMAGO Cryostat

AMI Magnet



• American Magnetics Inc

1. Magnetic field (Tesla)

8.0 @ 4.2 K

2. Homogeneity (1 cm dsv)

+/-0.5%

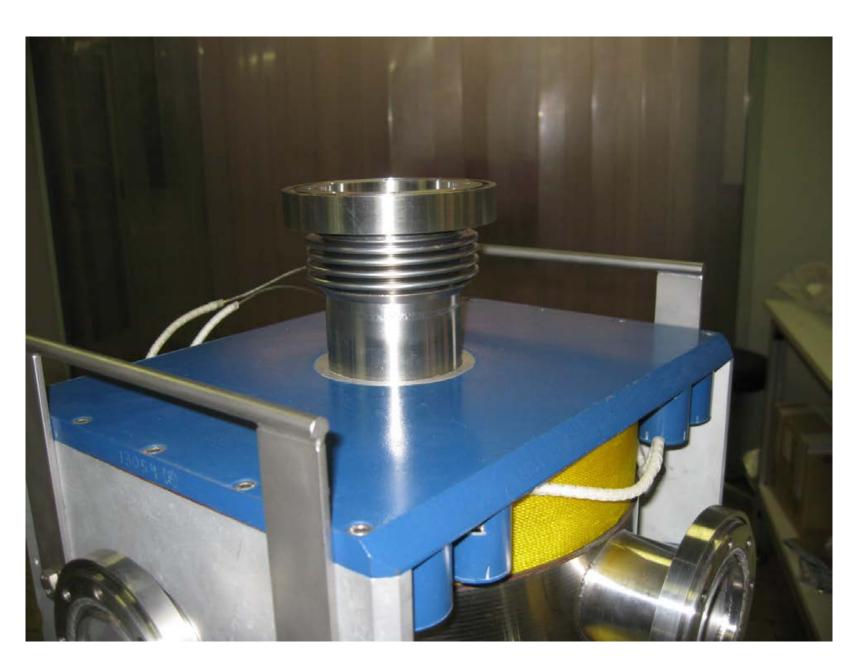
3. Approximate max current(amps) 85

4. Axial Clear bore "A".

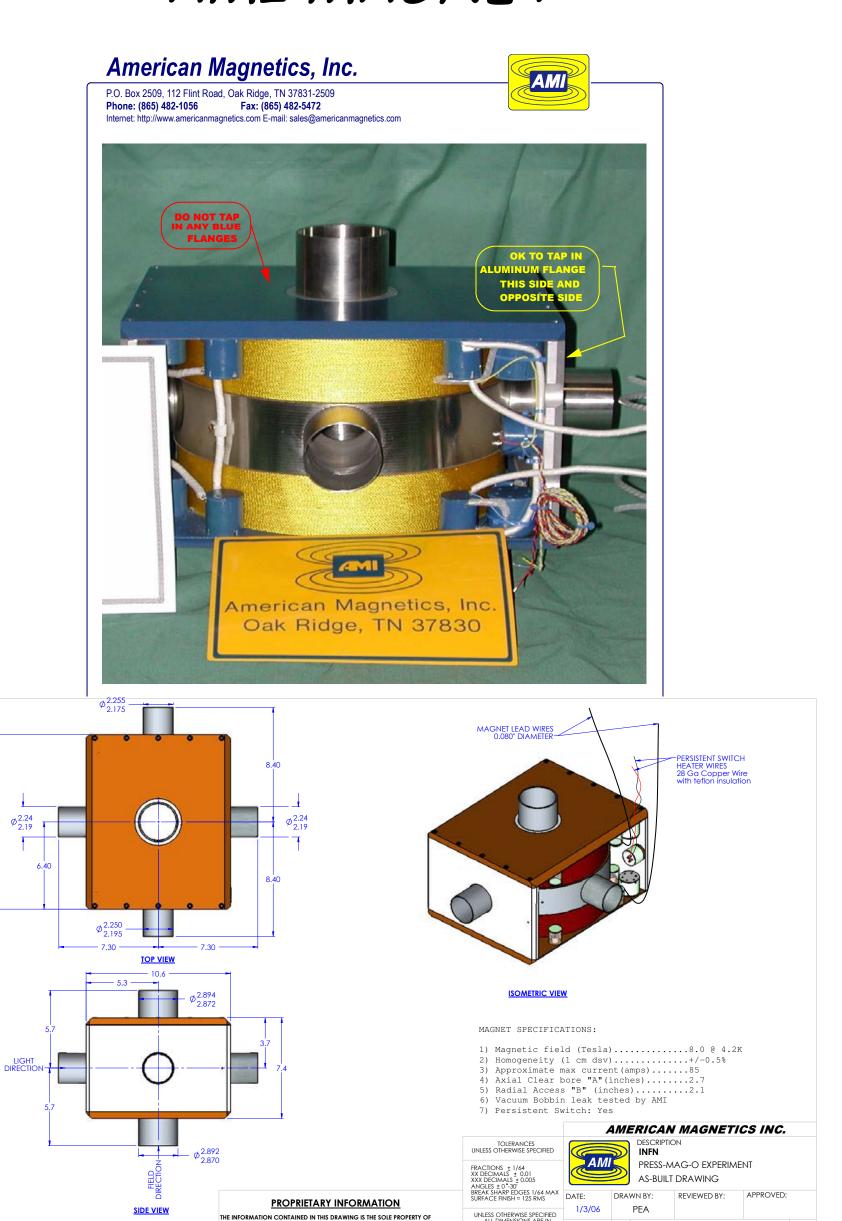
6.86 cm

5. Radial Access "B"

5.33 cm



AMI MAGNET



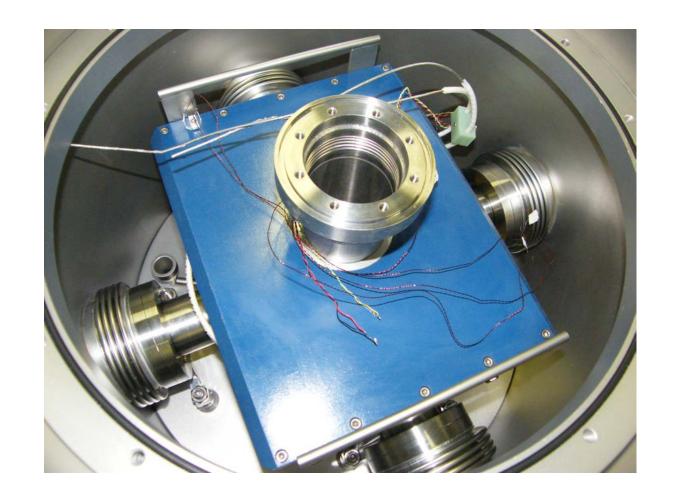
PRESSMAGO Cryostat

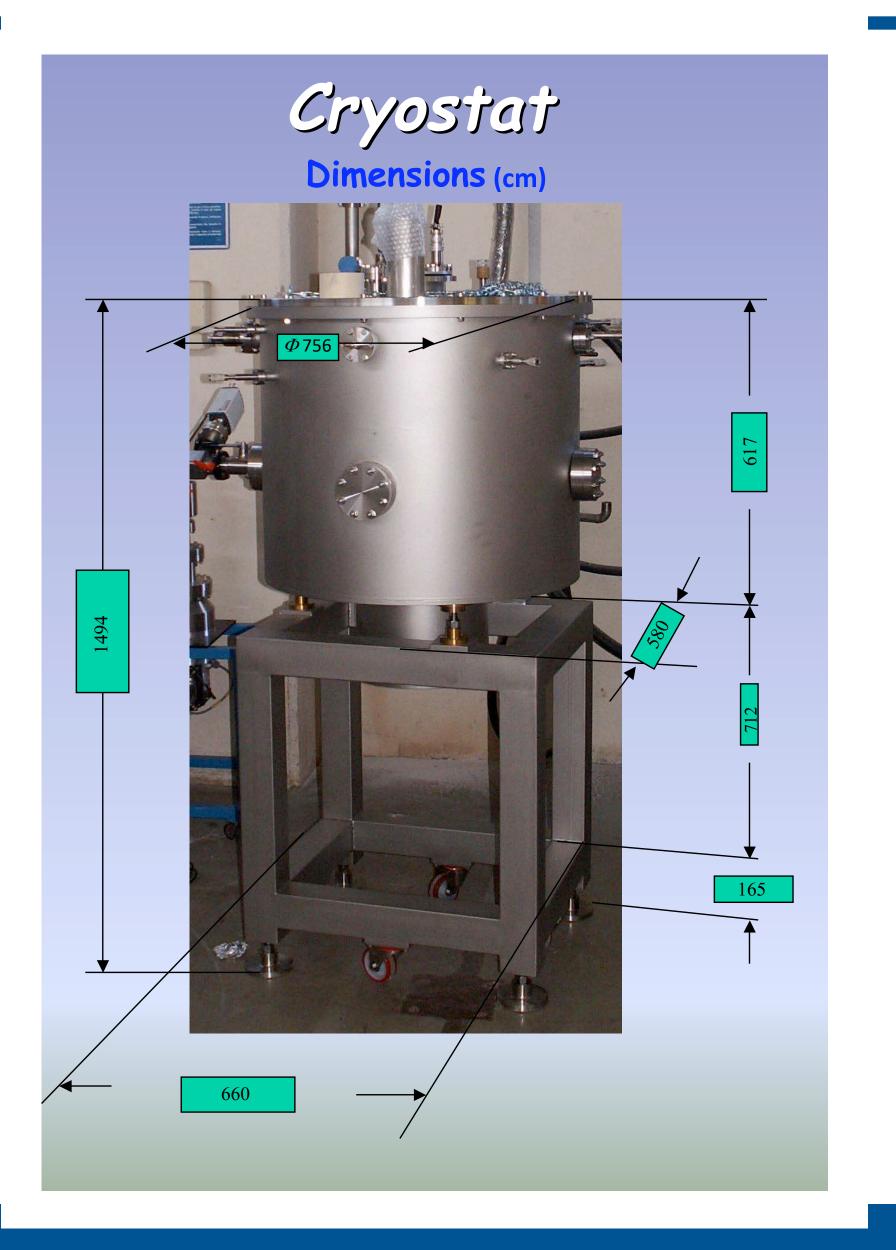


- Vessels
 - 1. External, sitting on the trolley
 - 2. Containing the LN2



3. Container of **LHe** and Magnet





Helium Purifier and Liquifier



The system requires LN2 and LHe

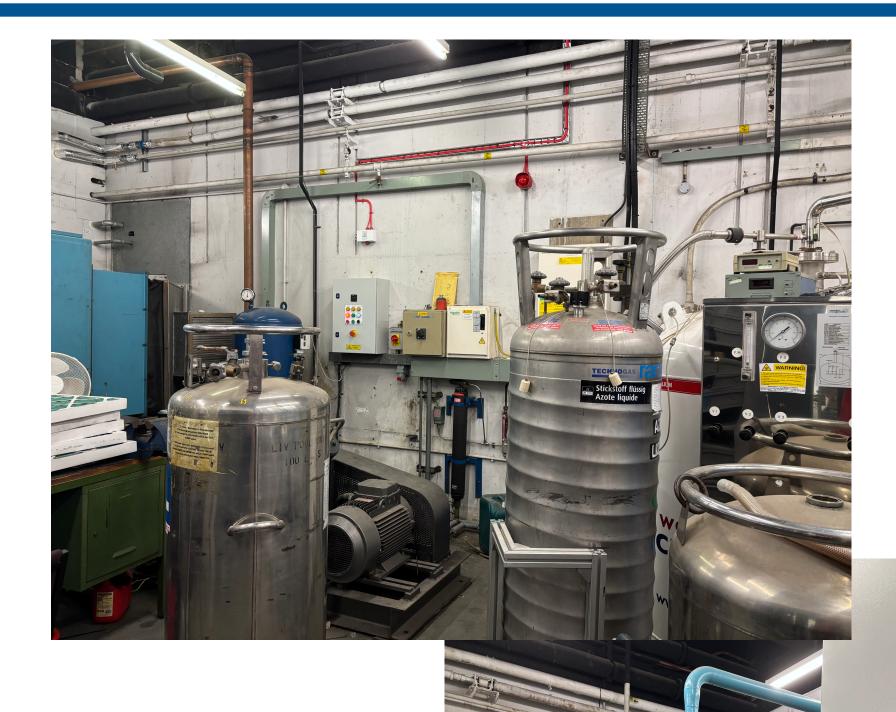
- 11 litres of LHe within the 3rd container
- At LNF using ~100 l in a week
- A. Refurbishing the "old" system in the Physics Dept. basement
- B. Purchasing a new device
 - Minisystem (desk size)
 High electricity costs, low efficiency
 For physics... but not for others?
 - ⇒ Quantum Technology (also in UK)
 - 2. Intermediate Balloon and high pressure storage, recovery from evaporation
 - 3. Full system (£, 1.2M)

A. The He system in Physics



- System ~25 yrs. old (almost OK)
 - service every 5 yrs.: £ 40k-50k
 - Noise and vibration... working over the weekend
- Chemistry 120 litres/month
 - 2024: £ 60k

- Contact with:
Konstantin Luzyanin (Department of Chemistry)
Matty Henderson (Department of Chemistry)



B. New device





- NexGen liquefiers and purifiers
 - recycle the helium gas lost from the normal boil off and helium transfers of the cryogenic instruments
- NexGen 160 (250)
 - Liquefaction Rate: 20+ liters/day (typical)
 - Dewar Capacity: 160 liters (250 liters)
 - Dimensions (L x W x H): 104 x 71 x 152 cm (liquefier without compressor)
 - Gaseous Helium Requirement: Ultra-High Purity (UHP) He (99.999%)

ATP30 (Purifiers)

- Purifies 30 liters of helium gas per minute (typical) Purifies helium gas to 99.995% (better than UHP)



NexGen 160



- Suitable for our needs (just for the Cryostat from LNF, it's however movable)
- Total Cost: £ 241,370 (complete system)
 - NexGen160 alone £ 152,870
 - Prices exclude VAT and installation unless stated otherwise
 - Delivery Time: 6 months from receiving PO

Quote from Quantum Design



Item	Part Number	Qty	Unit Price	Total
No. 1	NexGen 160 Quantum Design Next Generation Liquefier. 160L Dewar capacity, +25L/day liquefaction at 1PSIg only. [Installation Not Included]. Note: Compressor not included in price, compressor type is required and must be added. Compressor voltage is 3-phase (choices: Low Voltage (200 - 240V) or High Voltage (380 - 480V))	1	£152,870	£152,870
2	must be selected; flex lines length (10 or 20 m) must be specified. Water-Cooled Compressor - Standard Water-cooled Compressor with hoses, PDU cabling, and water filter system. Configuration must specify Flex hose length (10m or 20m) and compressor voltage (Low Voltage (200 - 240V) or High Voltage (380 - 480V)).	1	£22,335	£22,335
3	Direct Recovery Kit Standard Recovery Kits for Direct Recovery Configuration; includes KF25 connections, 0.15 psi inline check valve to prevent back streaming and 2-psi over pressure relief valve. (The kit contains quick-connects for BPC and ATL connections)	1	£3,970	£3,970
4	Back Pressure Controller (BPC)	1	£18,495	£18,495
5	BPC Bypass	1	£2,170	£2,170
6	50 lb Drier High Pressure and Medium Pressure Drier; 50 lb capacity, indicating material to signify the need for regeneration, freestanding unit.	1	£4,830	£4,830
7	QDS-INST-NexGen Installation of Quantum Design NexGen Helium Liquefier	1	£14,000	£14,000
8	Silver+ Service Contract – NexGen (1 year) Includes: - Annual coldhead swap - Unlimited priority support - On site response (typical <2 weeks) - 1 service day per year - Annual System health check (2 days) - 10% discount on further service work - 5% discount on parts NOTE: Contract runs from end of warranty and renewable each year	1	£18,000	£18,000
			Nett value	£236,670
			Delivery Total (ex-VAT)	£5,000 £241,370

Notes:

- Prices exclude VAT and installation unless stated otherwise
- No pipework included. Helium Liquefication system for direct recovery or from clean bottled supply only

Terms and Conditions

Delivery Time: 6 months from receiving PO
Delivery Terms: DDP to Liverpool (Incoterms 2020)

Payment Terms: Nett 30 days
Warranty: 1 Year

Please send your PO to: orders@qd-uki.co.uk

Our Bank details: Barclays Bank UK PLC, 82/84 High Street, Epsom, Surrey, KT19 8BH, UK

Sort Code: 20-30-06, GBP A/C No: 63834018

Swift Code: BARCGB22, IBAN: GB32 BARC 2030 0663 8340 18

This quotation is subject to NWUPC HVLE (LAB3162) framework agreement terms and conditions.

Place for the cryostat and the He system



- Two options in the Department of Chemistry:
 - to be used for 3 years
 - 1. Basement (near neutrino physics room)
 - The basement room doorway 115cm x 203cm Full cryostat dimensions 70 cm x 150 cm



2. Ground Floor



Discussion



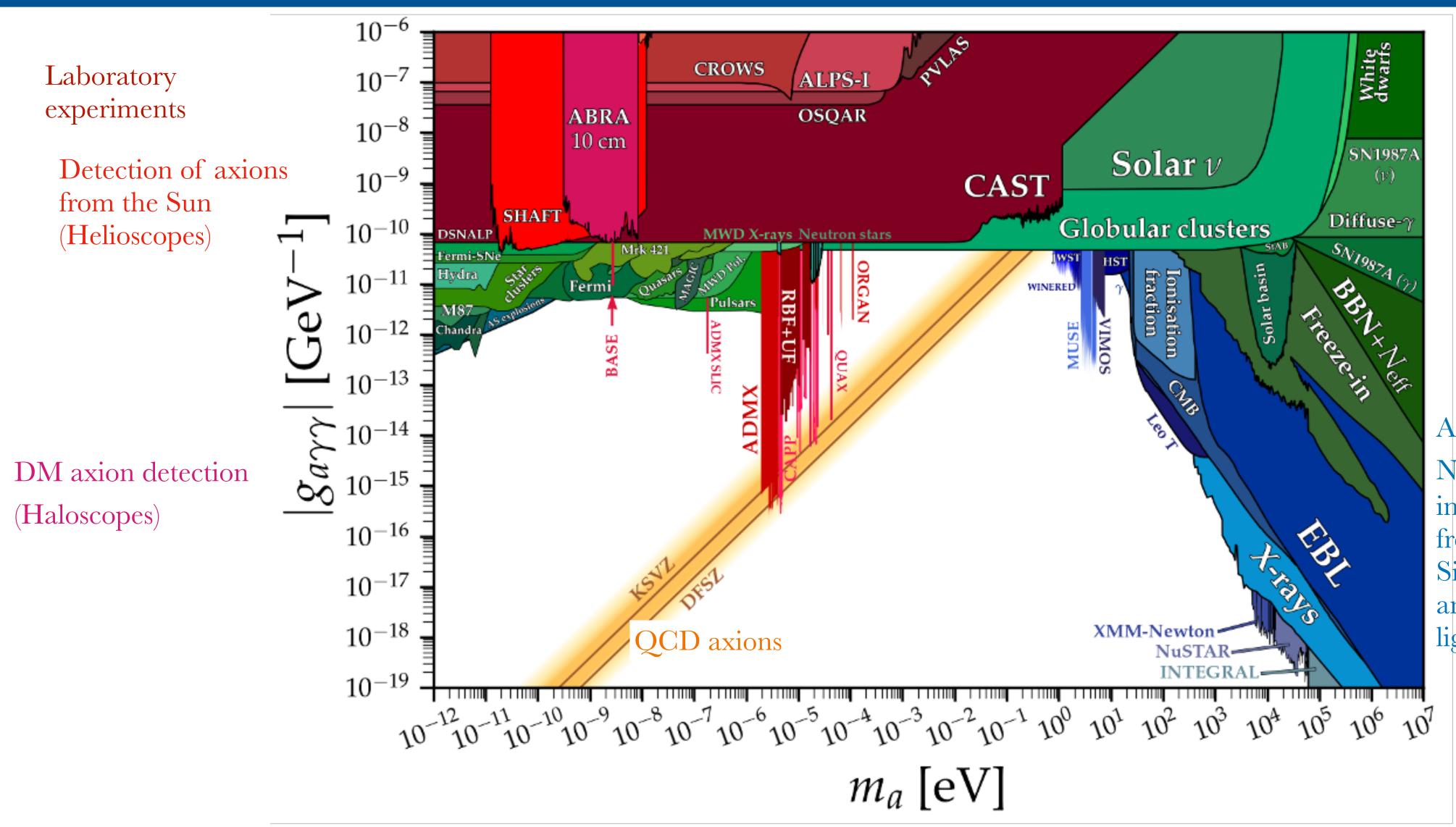
- Cryostat and Magnet
 - for free from LNF \Rightarrow ask for the shipment as soon as possible
 - What can we do with it w/o setting the cryogenic temperature?
 - Can be good to create a good momentum/story
 - There are 8 NMRs in chemistry. Liverpool Shared Research Facilities have more
- Liquid and recovery system
 - To refurbish the old system bit less than £ 100k can be used also by other groups (having line of He and/or dewars), however it is noisy and bit old technology wise
 - NexGen 160 usable only by one system at time (it is movable), expensive ($\sim £ 200 k$)
- Location: on the Department of Chemistry basement



Back up

Axion Limits





Stellar physics:

Constraints on stellar lifetime or energy-loss rates

Astronomy:

No DM $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decays seen in the visible region from galaxies with telescopes. Similar searches with X-rays and extragalactic background light (EBL) or H ionization.