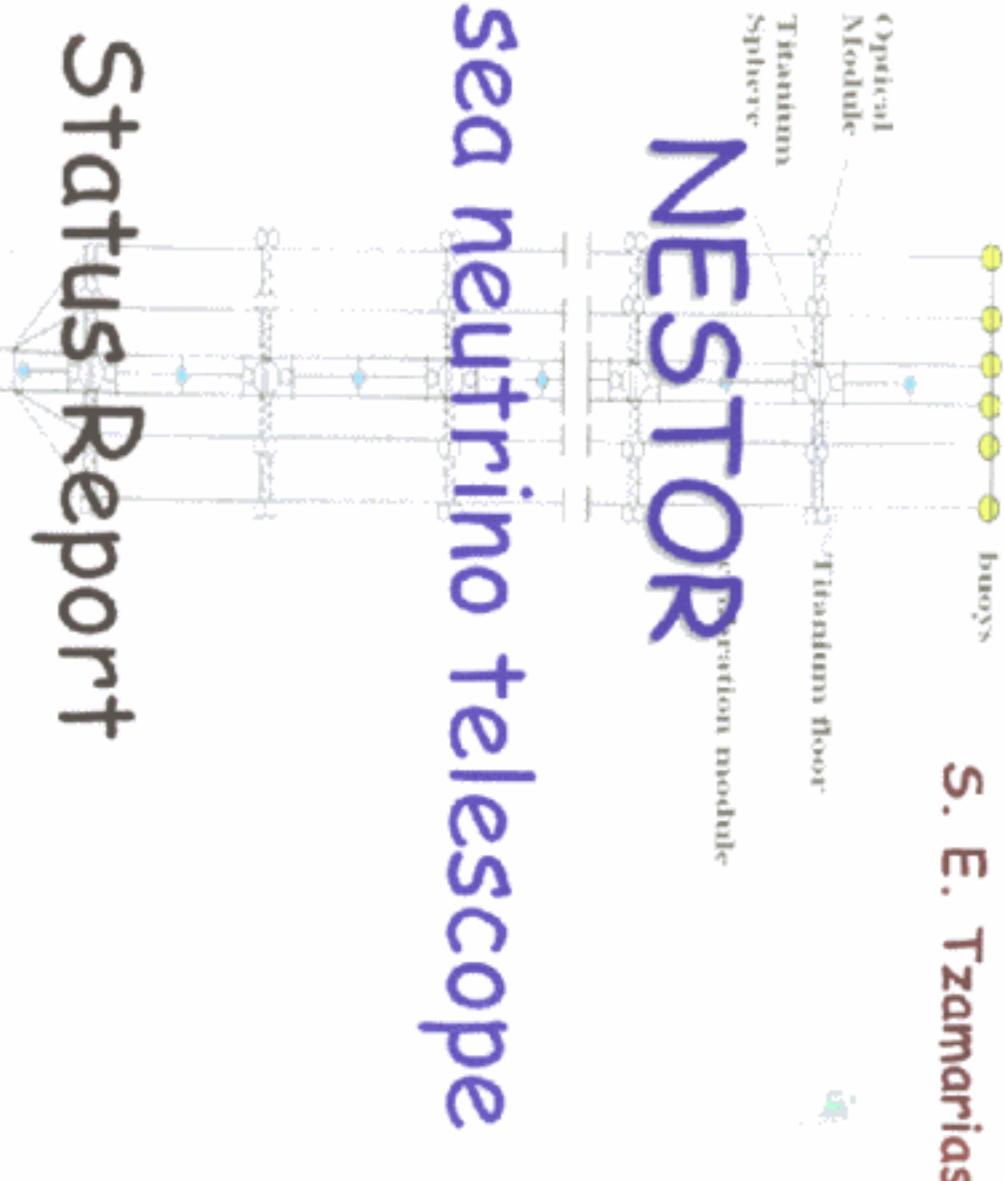


S. E. Tzamarias



Optical Module  
Titanium Sphere  
NESTOR  
correction module

# a deep sea neutrino telescope

## Status Report

Electrooptical cable Junction box

# NESTOR

NEUTRINO EXTENDED SUBMARINE TELESCOPE WITH OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH

## GERMANY

Institute for Geophysics  
University of Hamburg  
Institute of Experimental and Applied Physics  
Center for Applied Marine Sciences  
Research and Technology Center West - Kueste ( FTZ Buesum)  
University of Kiel

## GREECE

Physics Dept.  
University of Athens  
Institute for Geodynamics  
Athens Observatory  
Physics Dept.  
University of Crete  
Institute for Nuclear Physics  
Institute of Informatics and Telecommunications  
NCSR DEMOKRITOS  
National Science Foundation  
NESTOR Institute For Deep Sea Research, Technology  
and Neutrino Astroparticle Physics  
Physics and Astronomy Dept.  
University of Patras  
**HELLENIC OPEN UNIVERSITY**

## RUSSIA

Experimental Design Bureau of Oceanological Engineering  
Institute For Nuclear Research  
Russian Academy of Sciences

## SWITZERLAND

Physics Dept.  
ETH ZURICH, BE 8093

## U.S.A.

Dept. of Physics and Astronomy  
University of Hawaii  
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

## MARINE TECHNOLOGY COLLABORATORS

Marine  
Technology  
Collaborators

### GERMANY

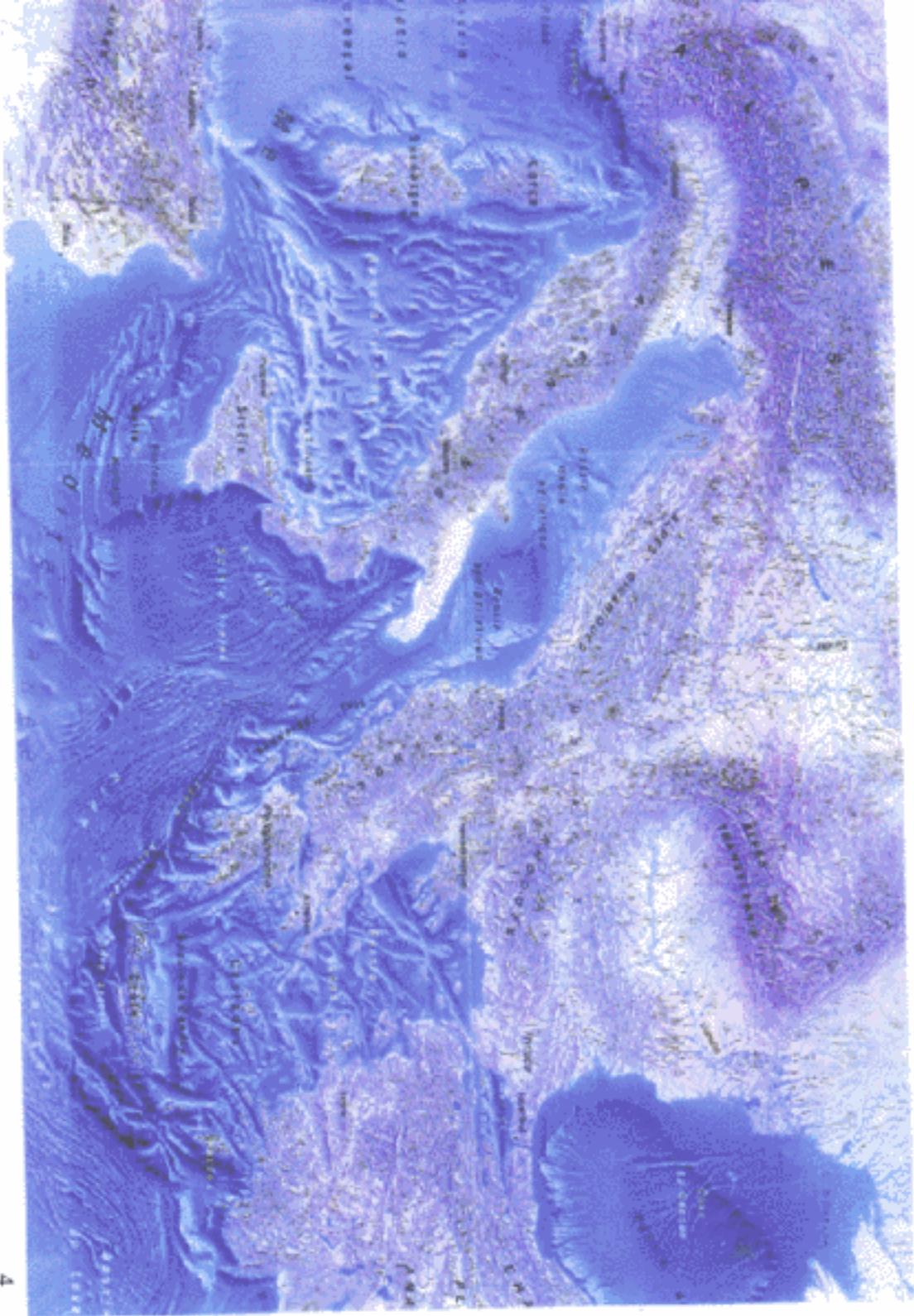
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GeoPro mbH  
GISMA GmbH

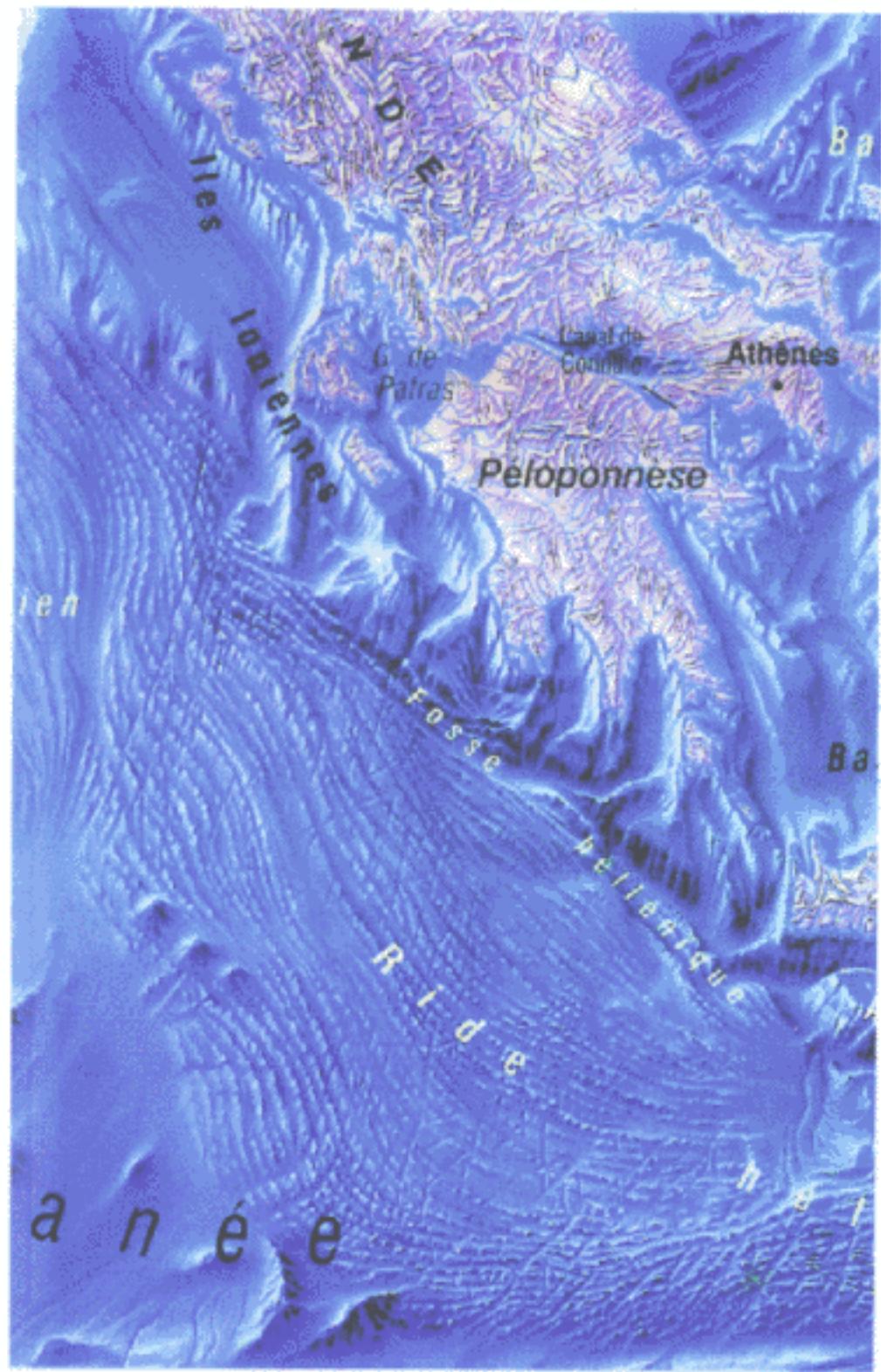
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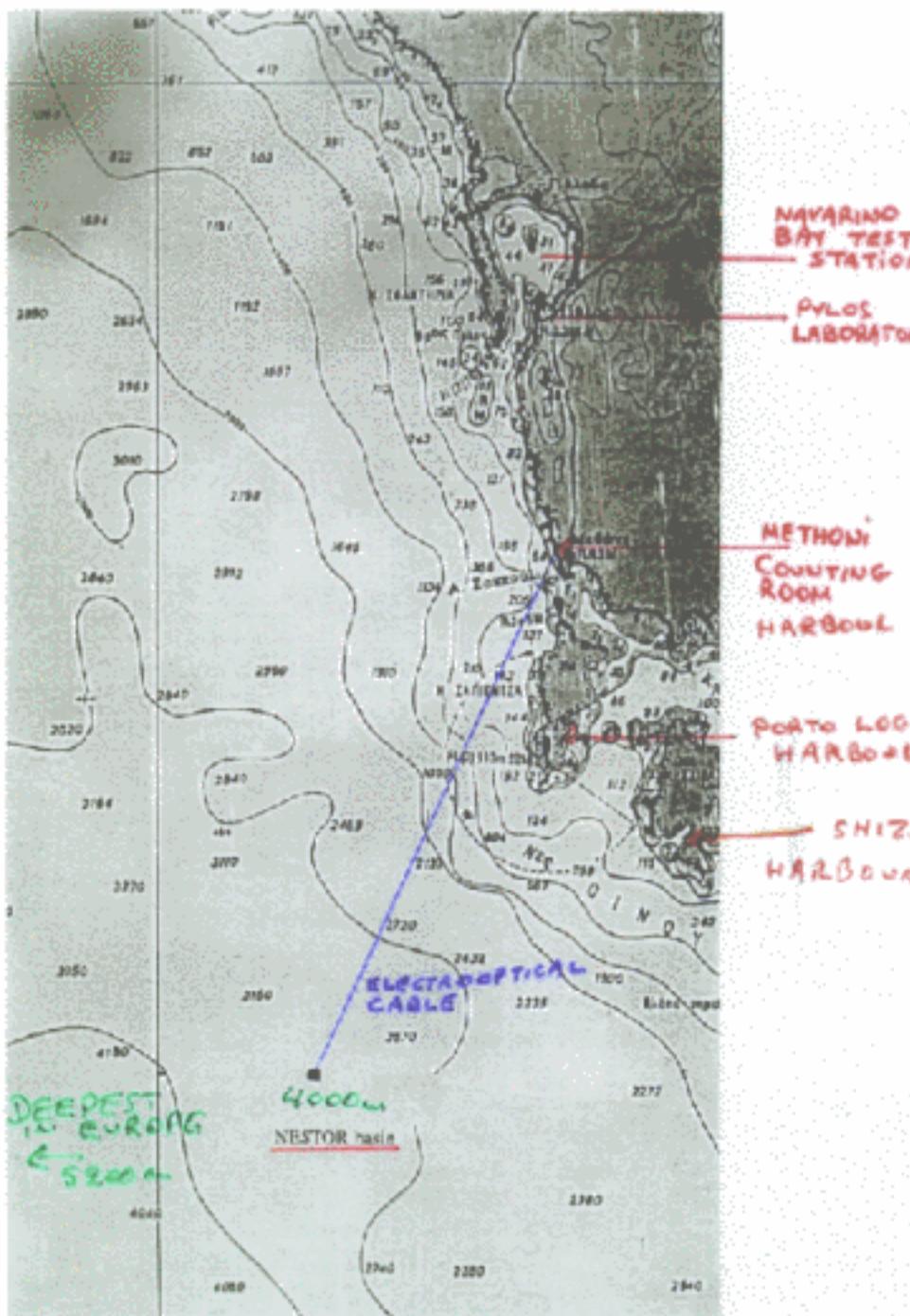
Hellenic Telecommunications Organization (OTE)  
Marine Technology Development Company (EANT)  
National Centre Marine Research (NCMR)  
Institute for Marine Biology of Crete  
Kourtis Salvage Ltd  
Naval Engineering Dept., Athens Technical University

### USA

MAKAI Engineering, Hawaii  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, California



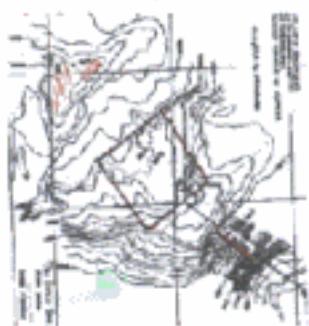
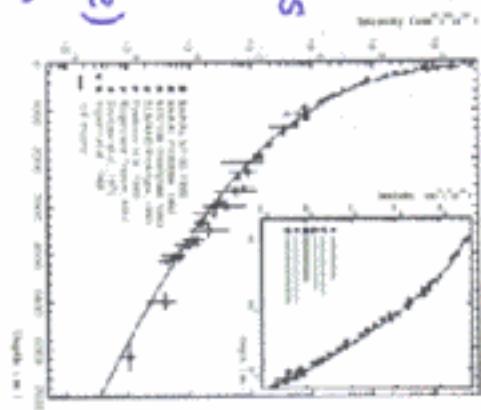




NOTE  
 4 HARBOURS  
 DISTANCE 8 - 15 miles

# Site characteristics

- a broad plateau: 8x9 km<sup>2</sup> in area, 7.5 nautical miles from shore
- depth: 3800m  $\pm$  50m
- ~~transmission~~  
~~attenuation~~ length:  $55 \pm 10$ m at  $\lambda=460$  nm
- underwater currents: <10 cm/sec measured over the last 10 years
- optical background: 75 kHz/OM due to K40 decay, bioluminescence activity (1% of the experiment live time)
- sedimentology tests: flat clay surface on sea floor good anchoring ground.



ISOBATHS  
CONTOURS OF EQUAL DEPTH

The lighthouse of Sapientza  
will be the counting room.  
Then the data will be transmitted  
to PYLOS by cable or microwave link.

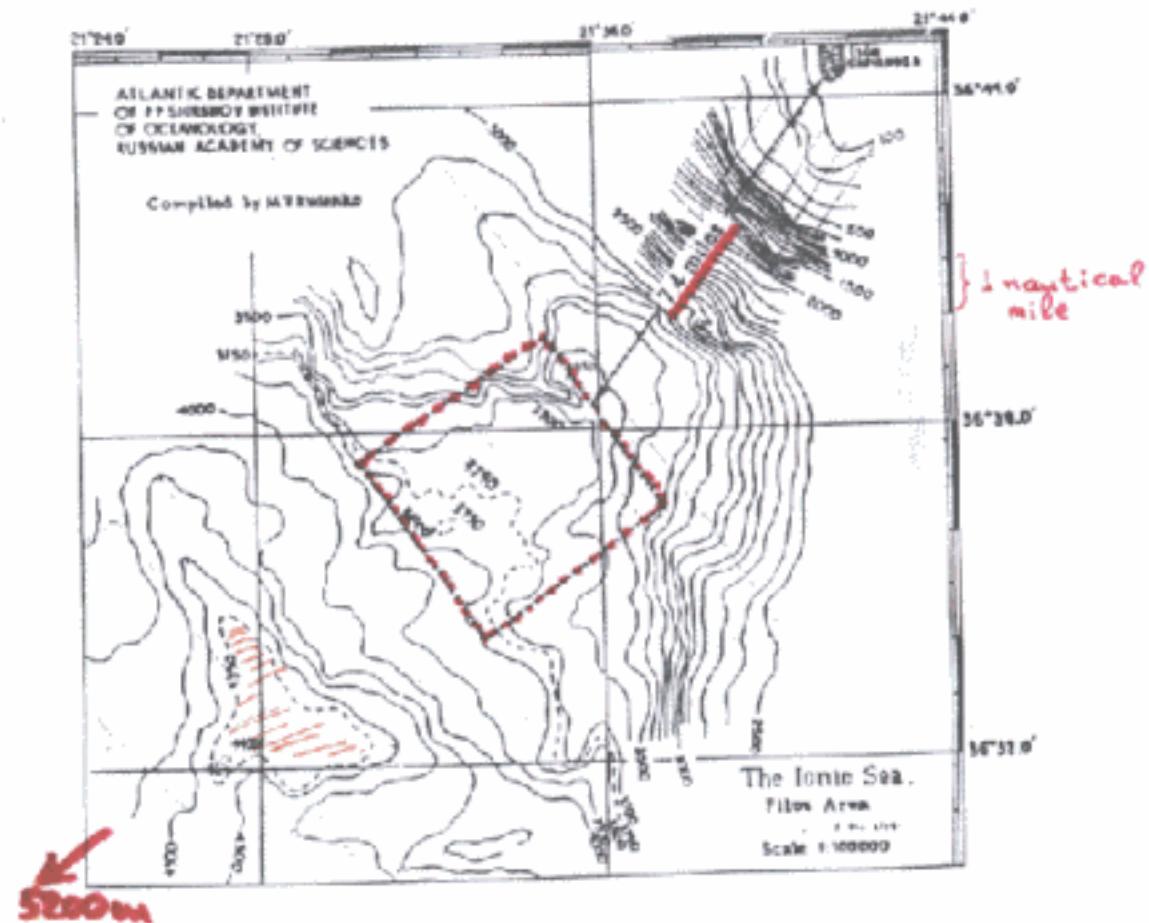
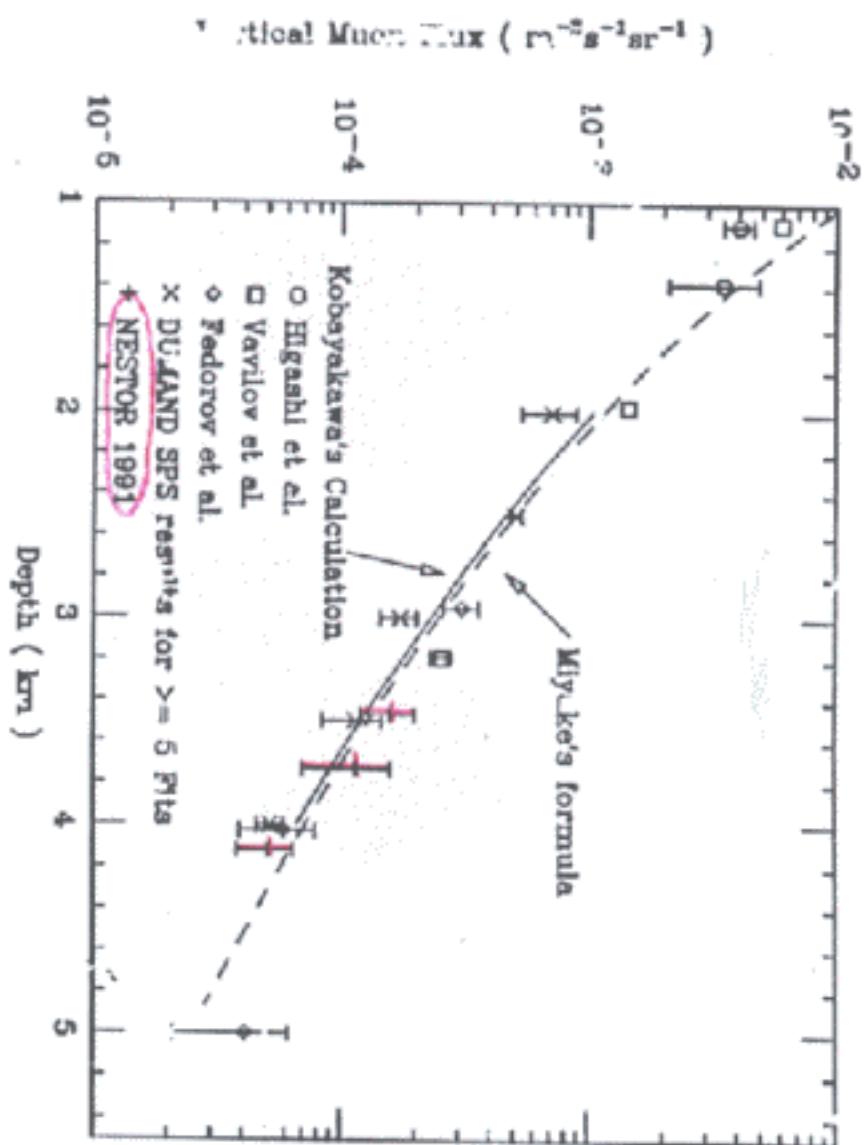


Figure 2

Comparison of underwater muon measurements.



## DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

NO BATHYSCAPHS - NO ROVs

NO HIGHLY SPECIALIZED SURFACE VESSELS

ALL CONNECTIONS TO BE MADE IN THE AIR

MINIMUM NUMBER OF CONNECTORS

AS PASSIVE A SYSTEM AS POSSIBLE  
(Triggering on the shore)

MODULAR SYSTEM WITH BUILT IN REDUNDANCY

RETRIEVABLE AND EXPANDABLE

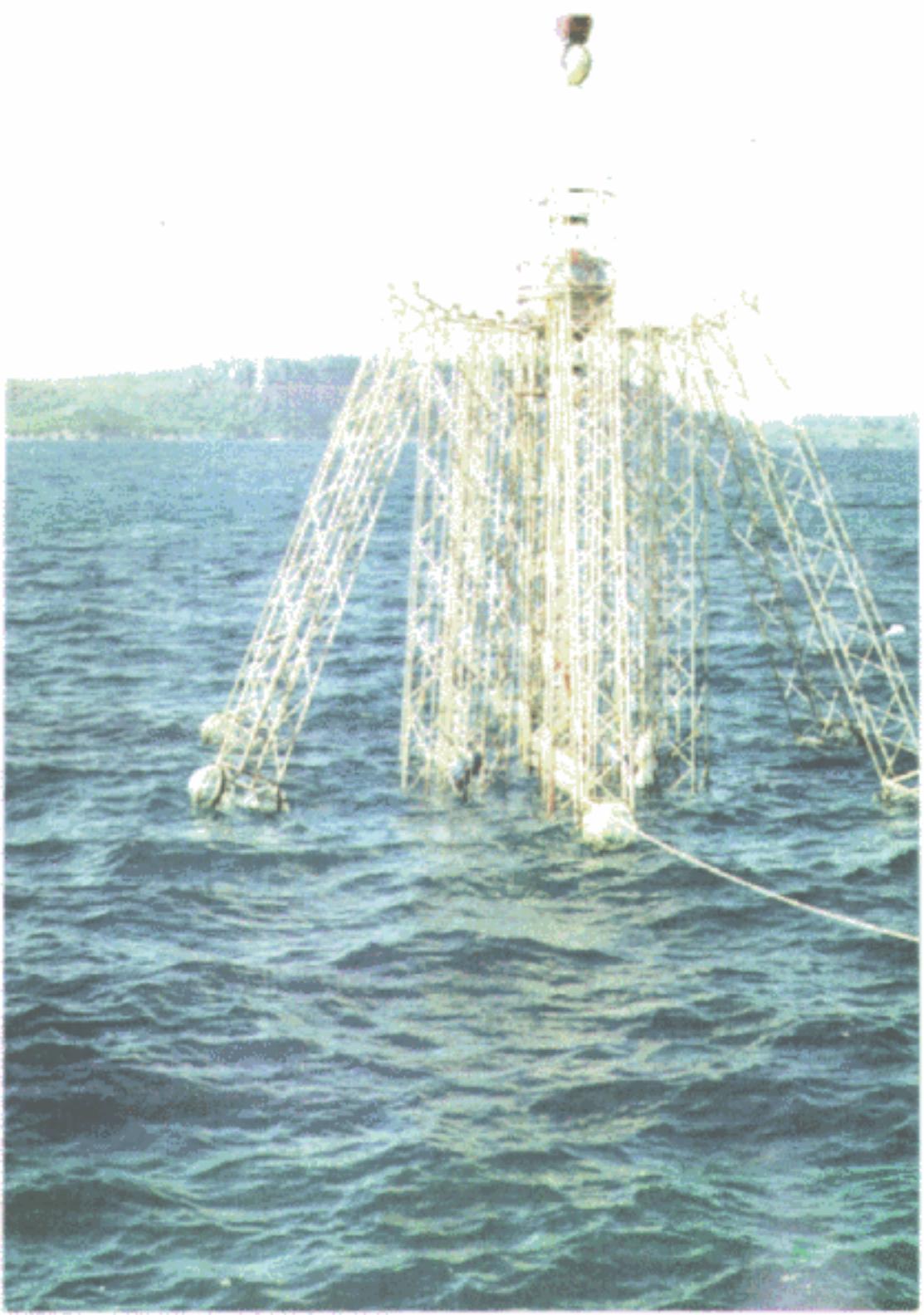
$\mu$ H T<sub>c</sub> Fluxgate 4.2°K  
Polarized



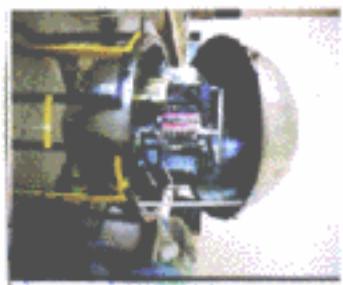
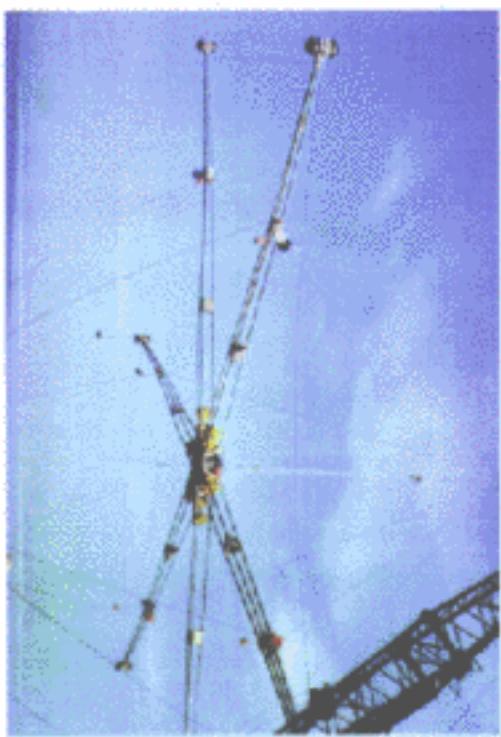
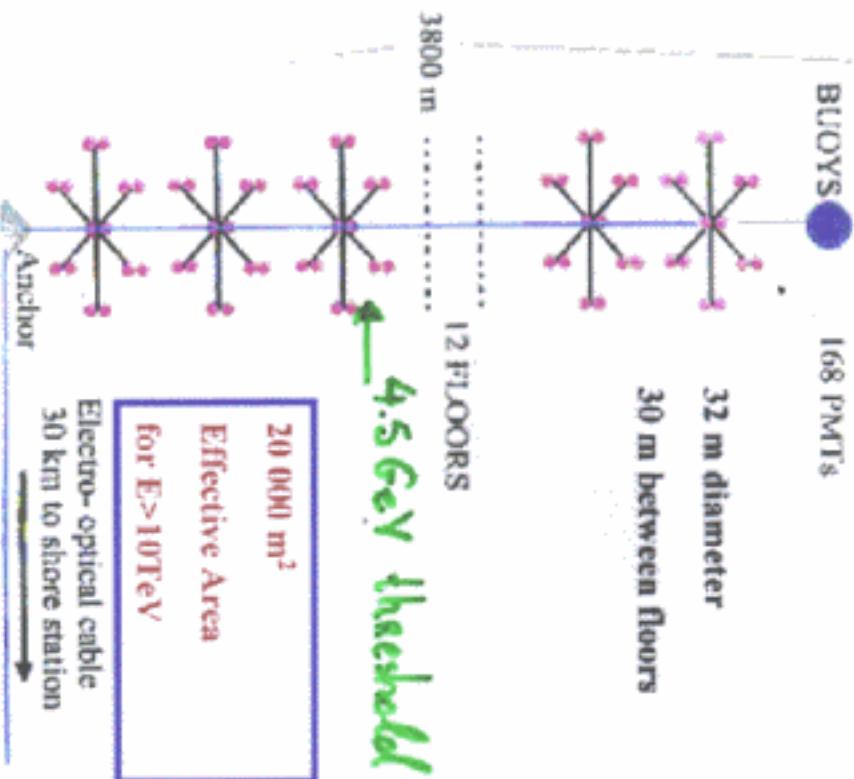
electronics housing  
1m Ti sphere

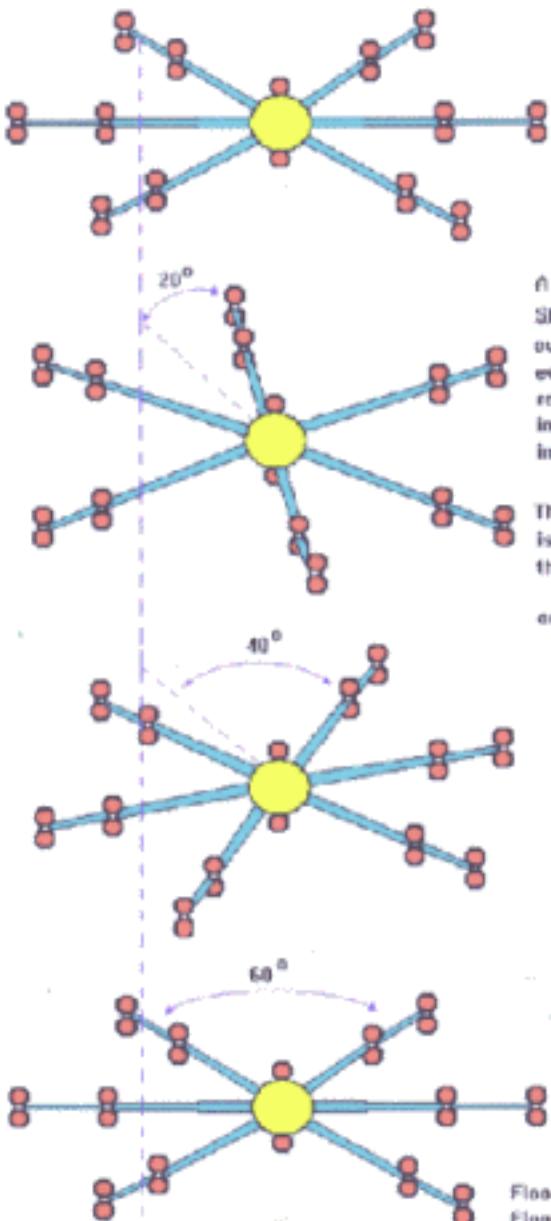


32.5m DIAMETER



# NESTOR TOWER





ADD 1 RING  
60 PMTs TO THE  
TOWER AND GAS  
CONSTRUCTION  
NEW  
+  
5m INTERLOOP  
SPACING  
TWIST

## NOTE

A water Cherenkov in the  
SEA has the advantage  
over other detectors that  
events can easily be  
reconstructed if they  
interact outside the  
instrumented volume  
therefore:  
The fiducial volume  
is much larger than  
the instrumented one  
and  
one can have an active veto

Floor radius: 16 m  
Floor separation: 5 m  
Number of floors: 12  
Total No of PMTs: 312  
Enclosed mass: 45 ktons  
Upstream sensitive  
mass: ~70 ktons  
Cost: ~ 4 M\$

100 ktons

# The Optical Module

- Hamamatsu PMT R2018-03 (15")

dc/dc converter

PMT base

- Benthos spheres

pressure

gauges

Potentiometer

- $\mu$ -metal cage
- power supply

## Lab tests

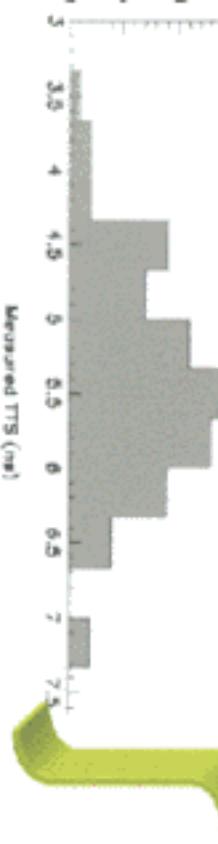
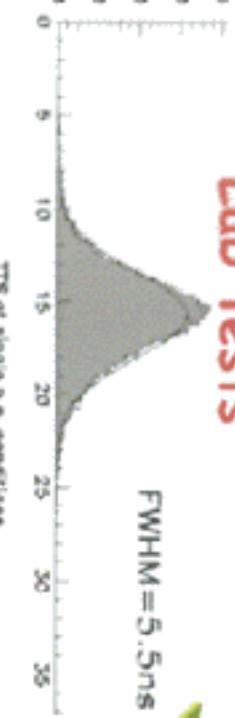
FWHM = 5.5 ns

TTS at single p.e. conditions



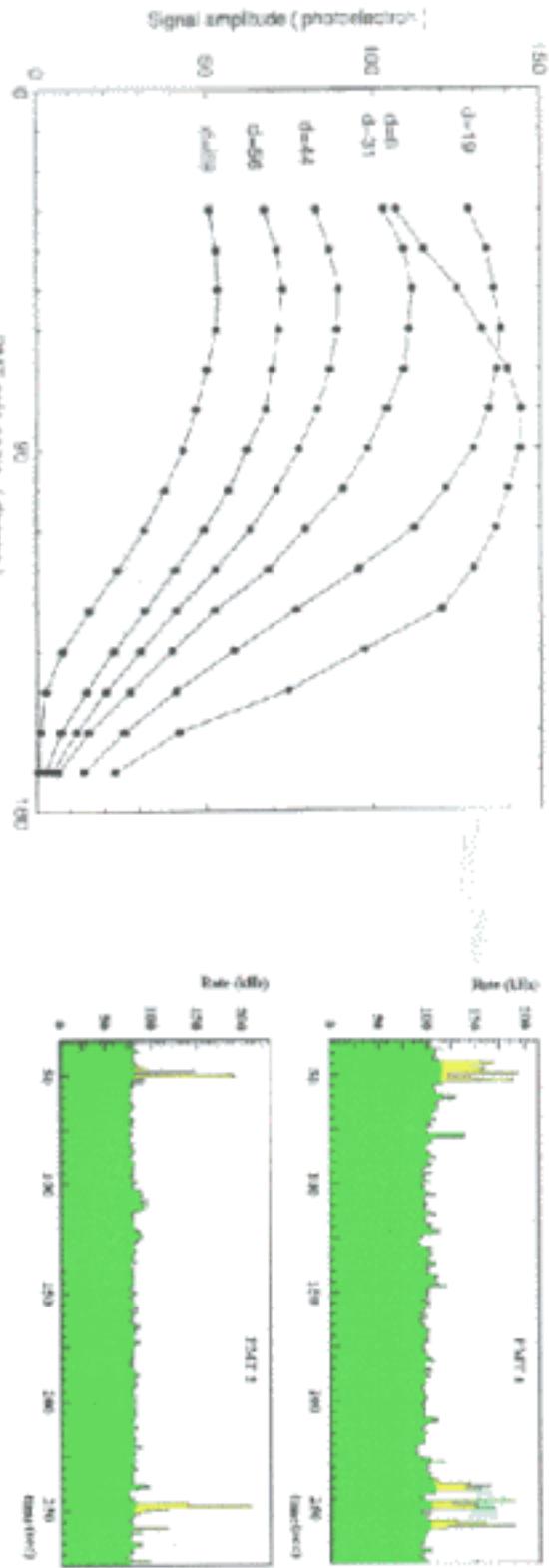
Hamamatsu PMT inside the BENTHOS sphere

Single p.e. conditions



## Beam tests

Muons CERN



## Deep water tests

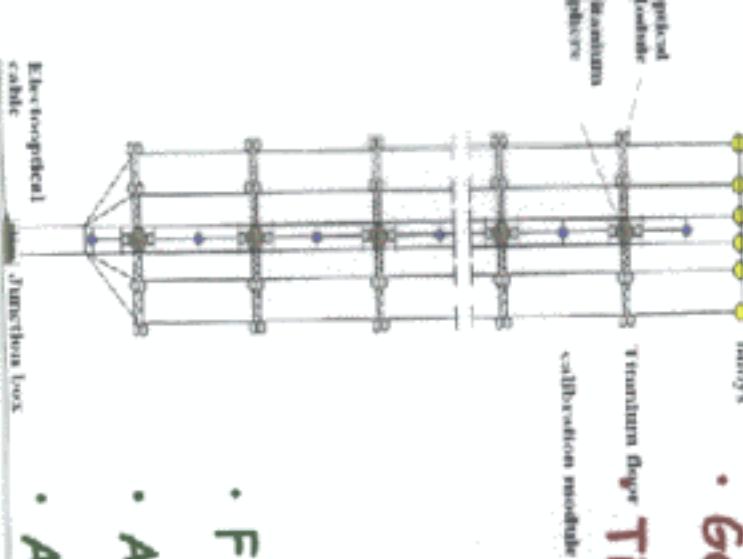
- 248 Hamamatsu R2018-03 (15") PMT's
- 350 Benthos spheres
- 8 (3Al & 5Ti) floors

**Available**

# Calibration

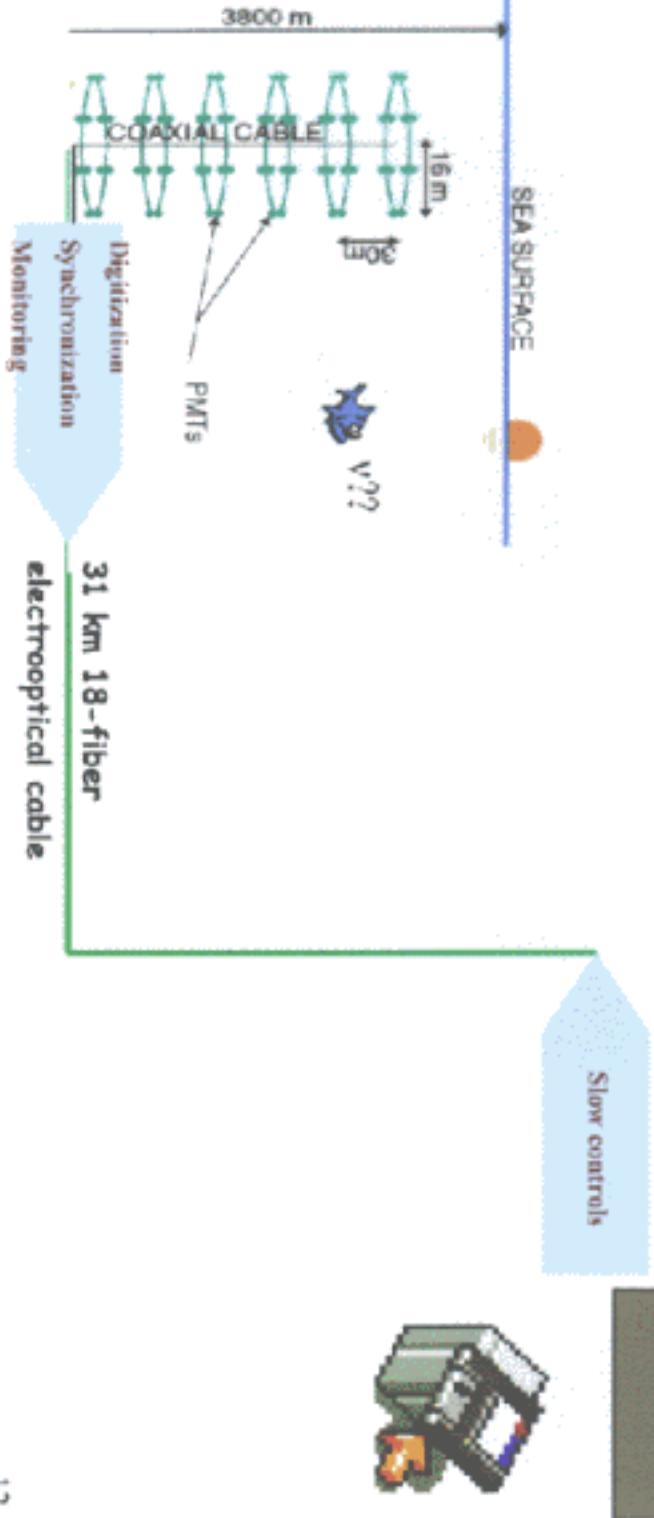
- Gain monitoring

• Titanium ~~dear~~ Timing  
calibration module



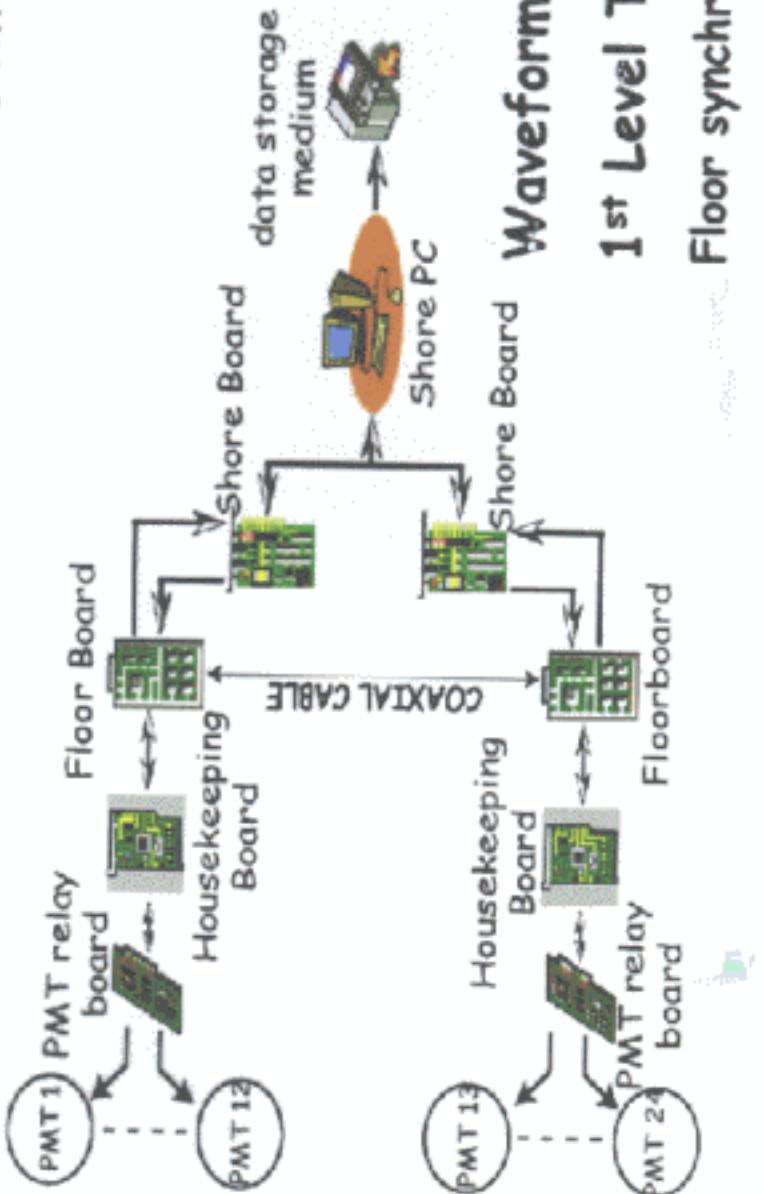
- Free running Calibration Trigger
- Adjustable Trigger frequency
- Adjustable LED's light output

# Electronics & DAQ



# NESTOR DAQ

## 2-floor Demonstrator

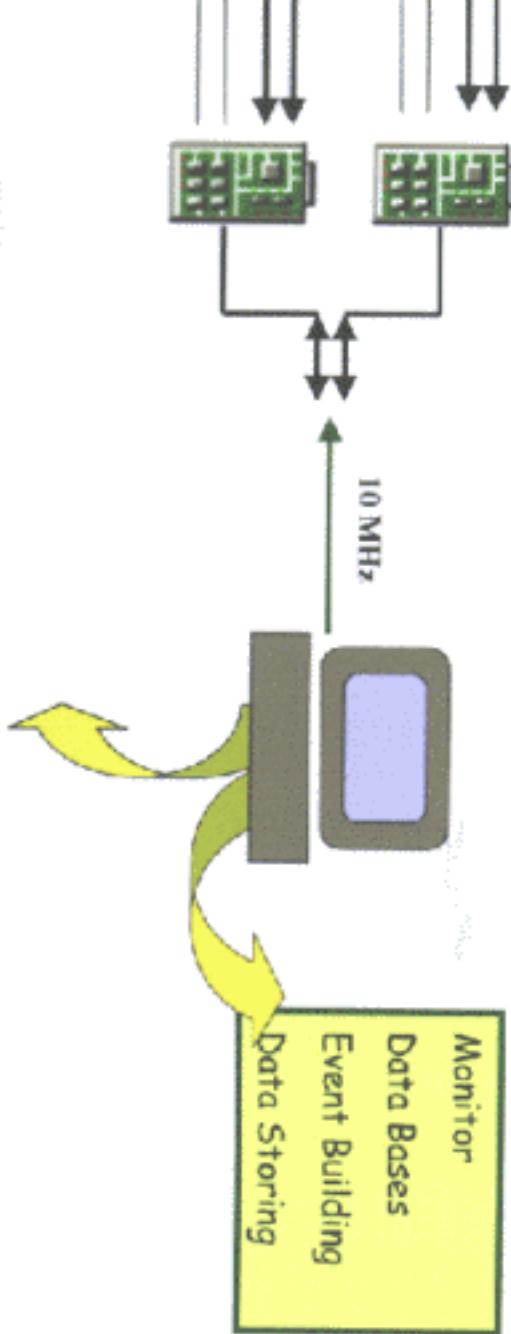


**1st Level Trigger (adjustable)**

**Floor synchronization**

**Slow Control/Monitoring**

# Online Software



**Control** (set the F/B registers)

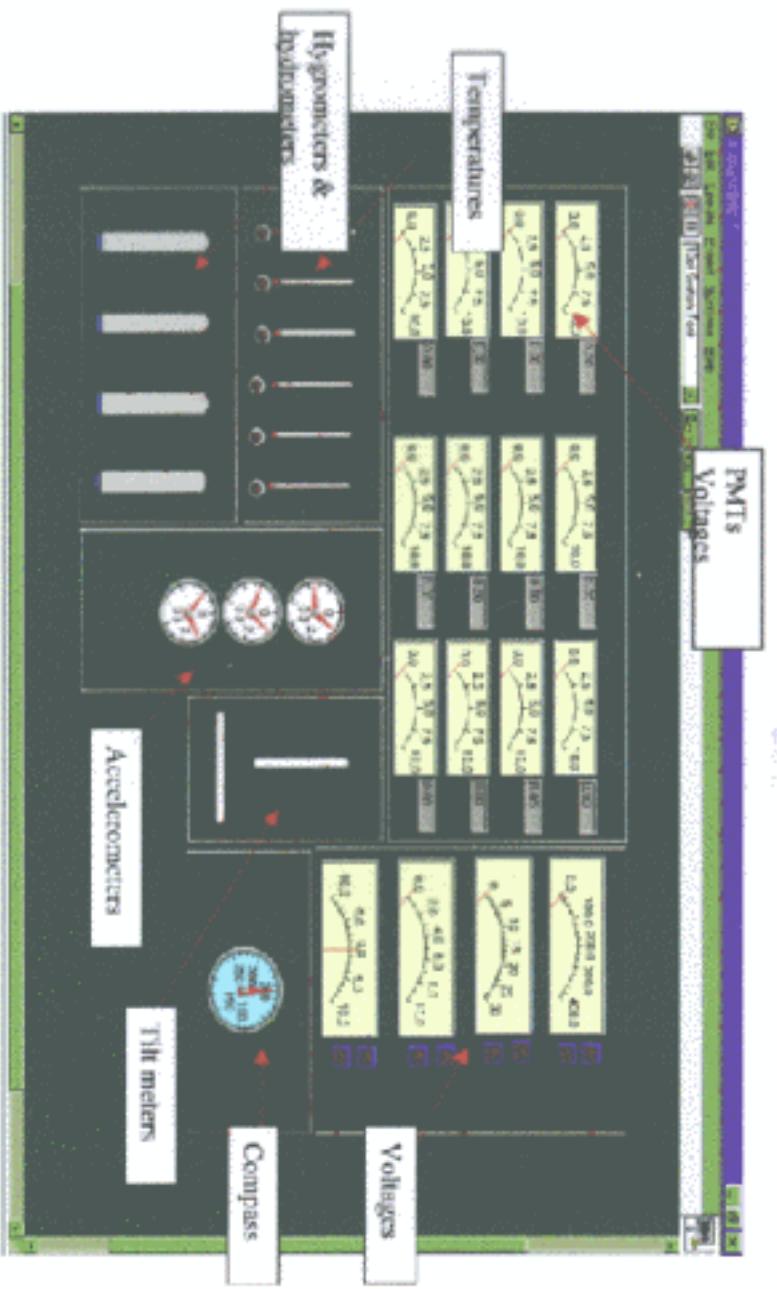
**Define**

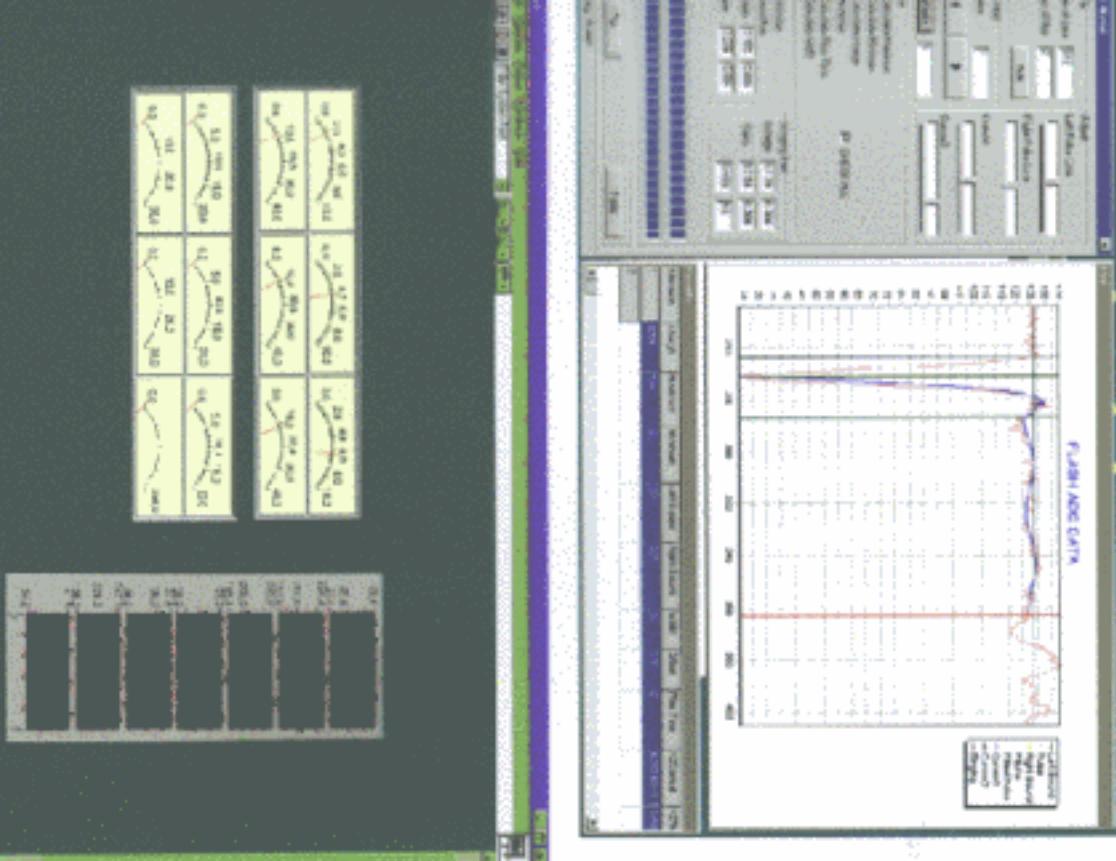
Experimental Parameters (FPGA)

Run Status (Stop - Calibration - Run)

**Update Electronic Logbook**

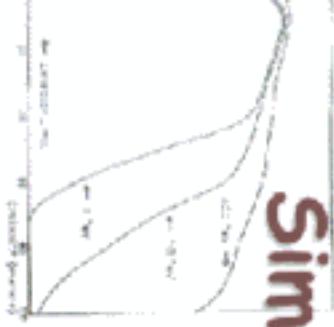
# Monitor Environmental Conditions





## Monitor PMT Rates and PMT Performance

# Simulation and Analysis Effort



## BEOWULF CLUSTER

32 PCs, each one with:  
dual processor INTEL III @ 500 MHz,  
128 MB of RAM, 13 GB HD

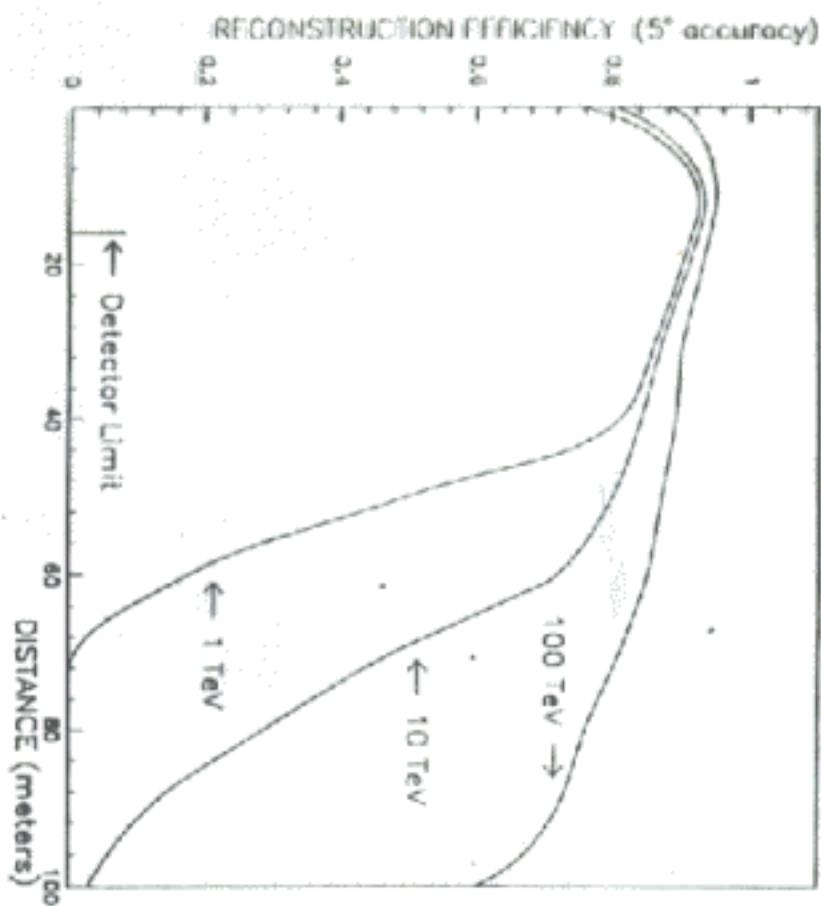
2 FAST-Ethernet Cards.  
Interconnection via Fast-ethernet switches

## Monte Carlo Production (studies)

Transition to C++



*Figure 5.* Reconstruction efficiency versus distance from the axis of tower (vertical incidence of muons) for one NESTOR tower (5° reconstruction accuracy).



# The Real Game: Deployment

ElectroOptical cable to shore (18 fibers +1 conductor)

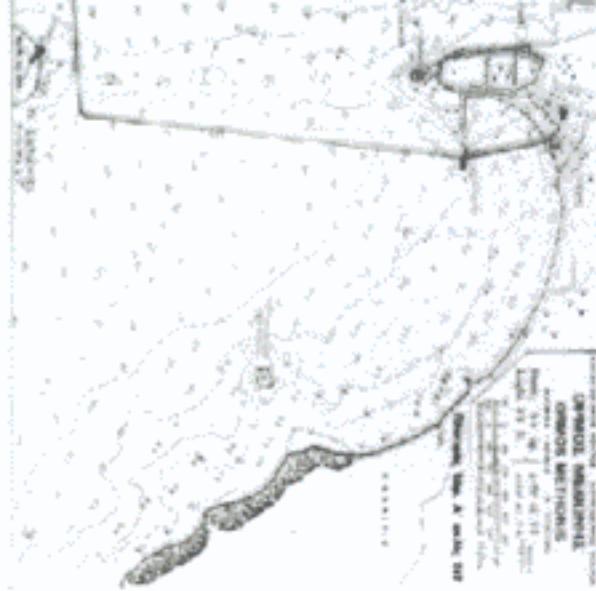
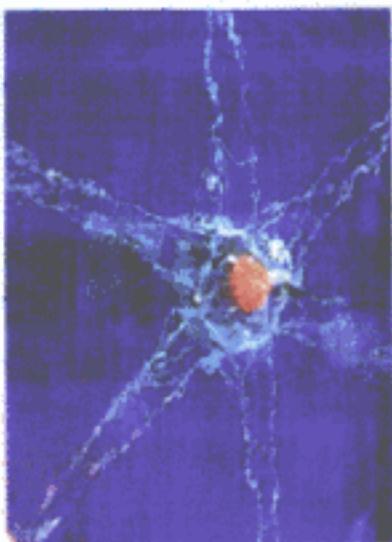
Deployed in June 2000 by the cableship  
FIGHTER (ALCATEL- TELEBANMARK)

Cable was damaged during laying because of ship's problems.  
ALCATEL accepted responsibility and will repair the cable.

Cable landing has been completed and first three km have been  
buried 2 m inside the bottom sand.



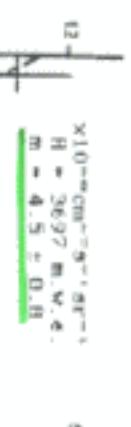
Methoni counting room is fully operational.



ANGULAR DISTRIBUTION OF THE INTENSITY  
OF COSMIC RAY MUONS

DATA CORRECTED FOR EFFICIENCIES

$$J = J_{\text{Jacobs}} \cdot g$$



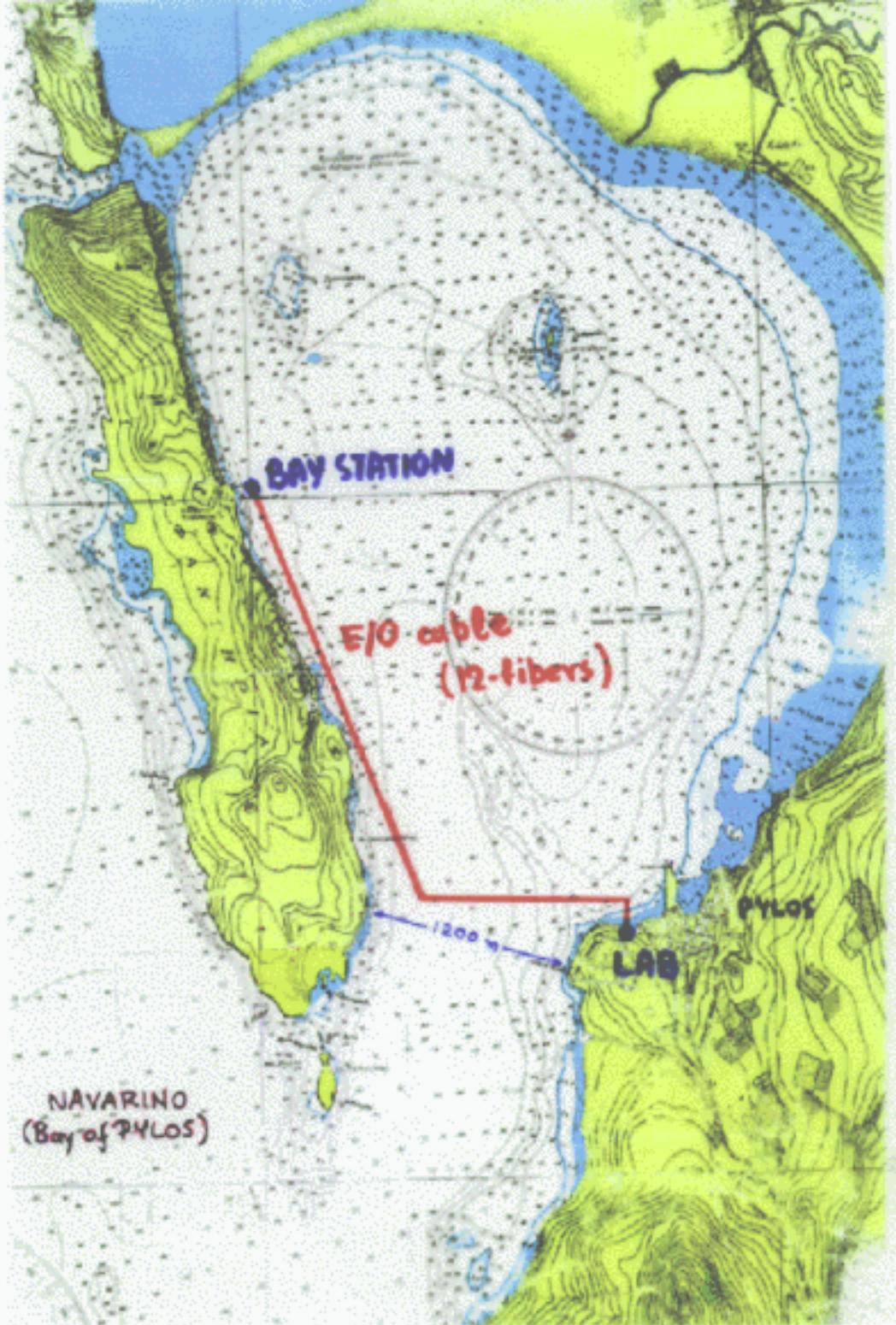
COMBINING TWO DUNBRAD M = 62.7  
POLAR GOLD MINE M = 5.12 ± 0.82

# **NESTOR Institute**

for Deep Sea Research, Technology  
and Neutrino Astroparticle Physics

- Bay Test Station
- Counting Rooms
- Vessel Infrastructure
- Electronics Lab
- ElectroOptics Lab
- Full Machine Shop
- Computing Facilities



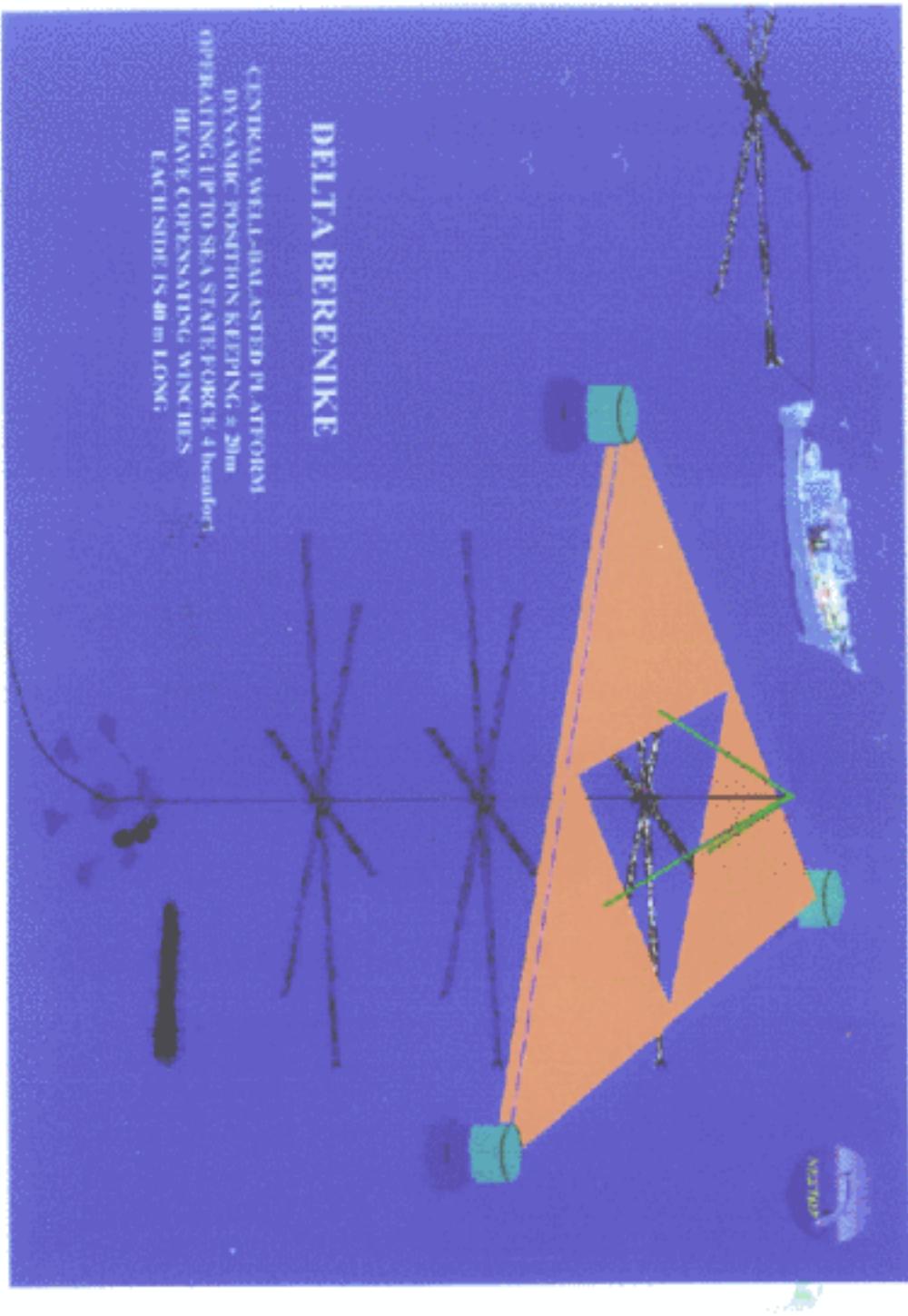


## Bay Test Station



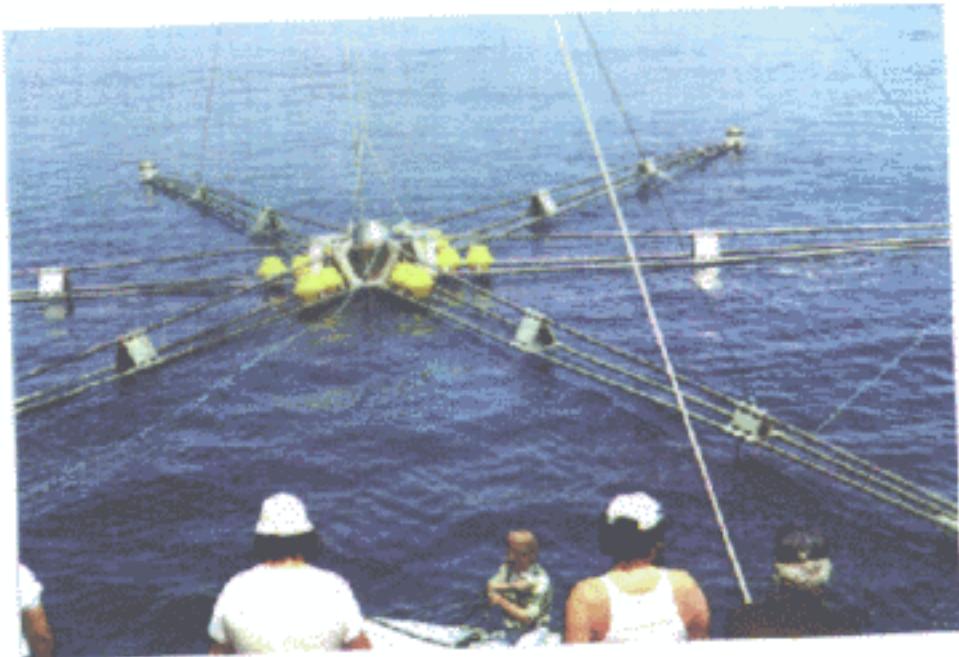


*Under Construction (will be operational at Rjukan this summer)*



### DELTA BERENIKE

CENTRAL WELL-BALANCED PLATFORM  
DYNAMIC POSITION KEEPING  $\pm 20$ m  
OPERATING UP TO SEA STATE WORK 4 beaufort,  
HEAVE COMPENSATING WIND HES  
EACH SIDE IS 40 m LONG



## Full Machine Shop

Ti floor



# Status

Main Components	Need (1 tower)	Have
PMTs (15")	168	248
Benthos spheres	268	350
Mechanics (floors)	12	8 (3 Al & 5 Ti) 3 built in Pylos
Electronics (floor module)	12	Production phase
ElectroOptical cable to shore	1	Will be rectified by Spring 2001
18 fibers+1 conductor		

# Time Scale

Spring 2001

Cable rectification & acceptance tests  
(OTE/ALCATEL)

Electronics tests in Lab & Bay Test Station

Summer 2001

Deep-sea deployment & run 2-floors  
Physics Test Run

Autumn 2001

Recovery & re-deployment with 4-floors  
Physics Run

2002

Full tower deployment in deep sea  
Physics Data Taking

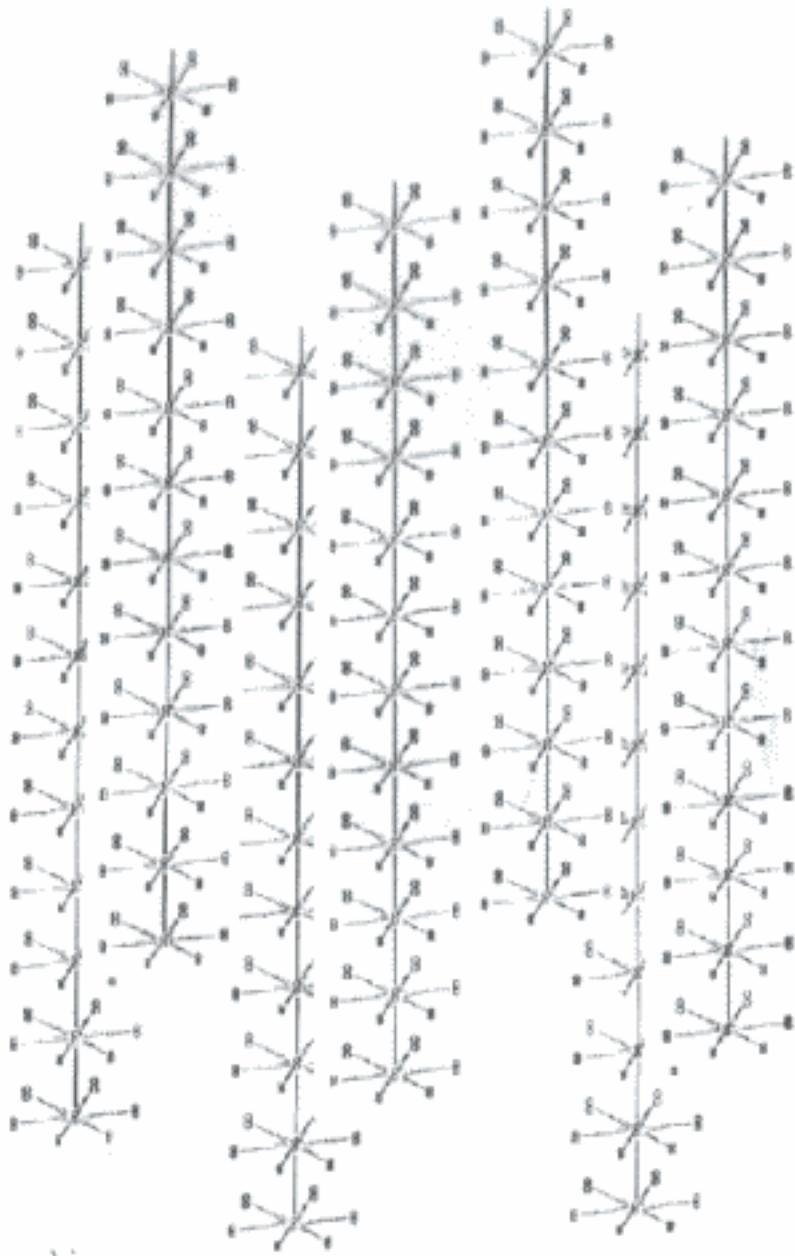
Enlarge collaboration

2003 →

Deployments of more towers

e.g. 7 towers (1176 PMTs)

- 1.8 Megatons of DENSELY instrumented mass within the 7 towers (i.e. few GeV threshold)
- 25 Megatons of enclosed mass



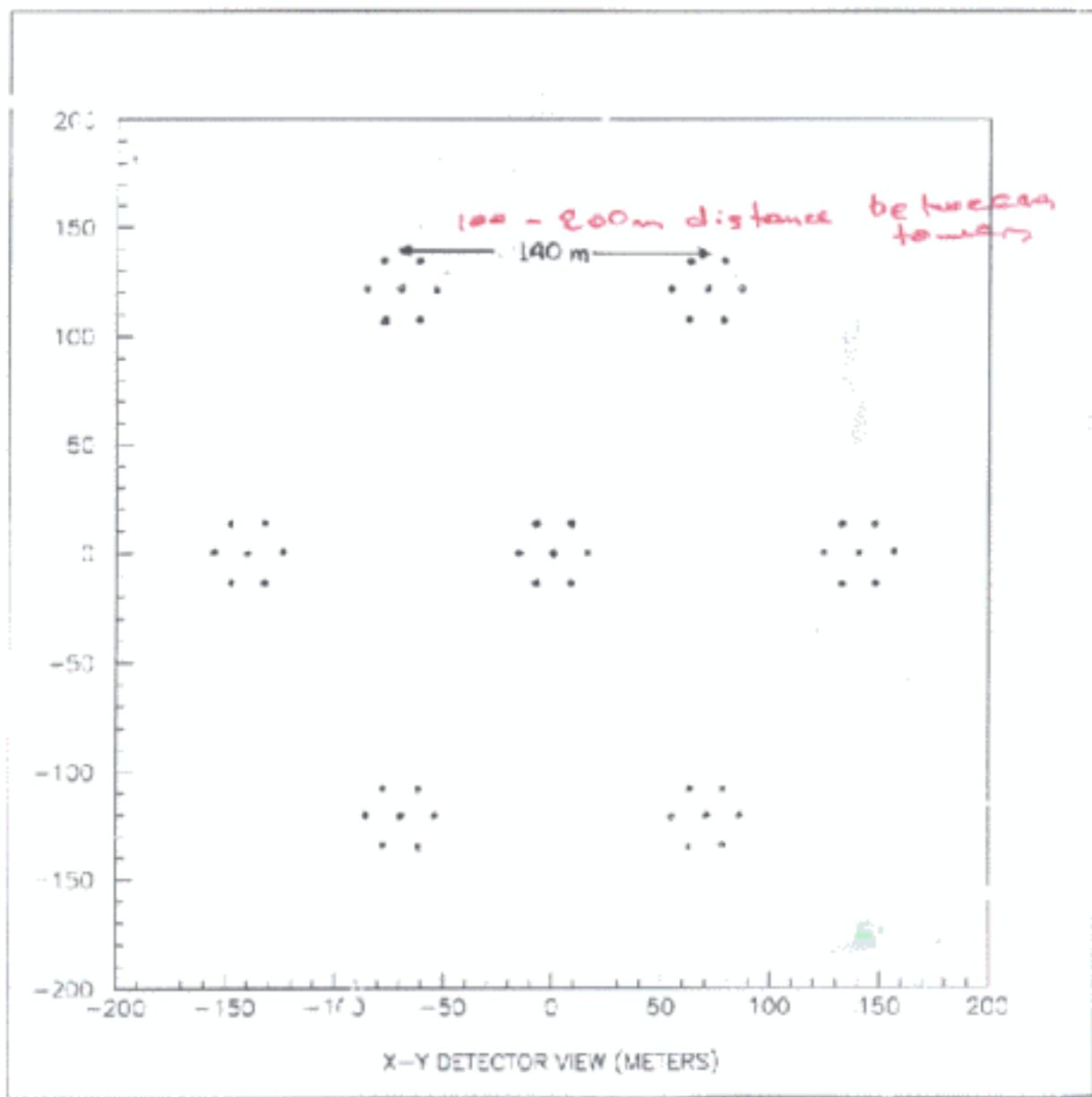
7 pt Seed Towel

# NESTOR

7 TOWERS, 1176 PHOTOMULTIPLIERS

1.8 MEGATONS OF DENSELY INSTRUMENTED MASS  
WITHIN THE 7 TOWERS; i.e. FEN GeV THRESHOLD

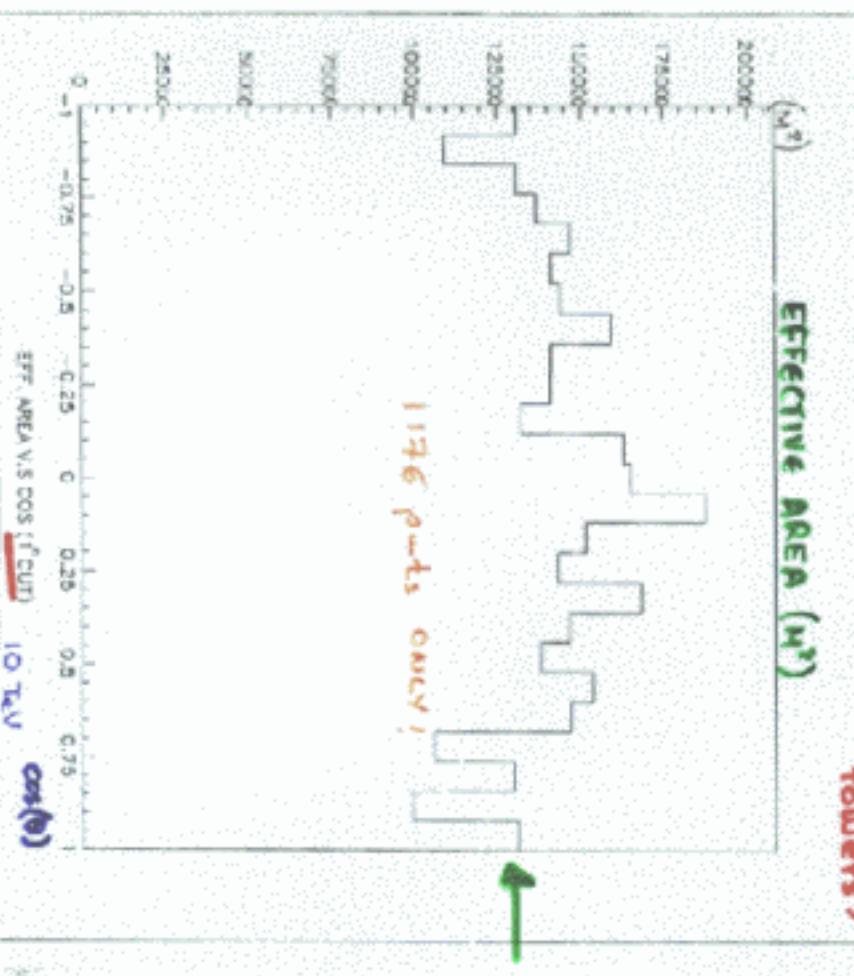
25. MEGATONS OF ENCLOSED MASS



$$E_\nu = 10 \text{ TeV}$$

7 NESTOR TOWERS  
(30m between floors, 150m between towers)

EFFECTIVE AREA ( $\text{m}^2$ )



4/8 of the  $K\bar{K}$

mono-chromatometer  
310-610 nm  
attenuation coeff. ( $\times 1000$ )  $m^{-1}$

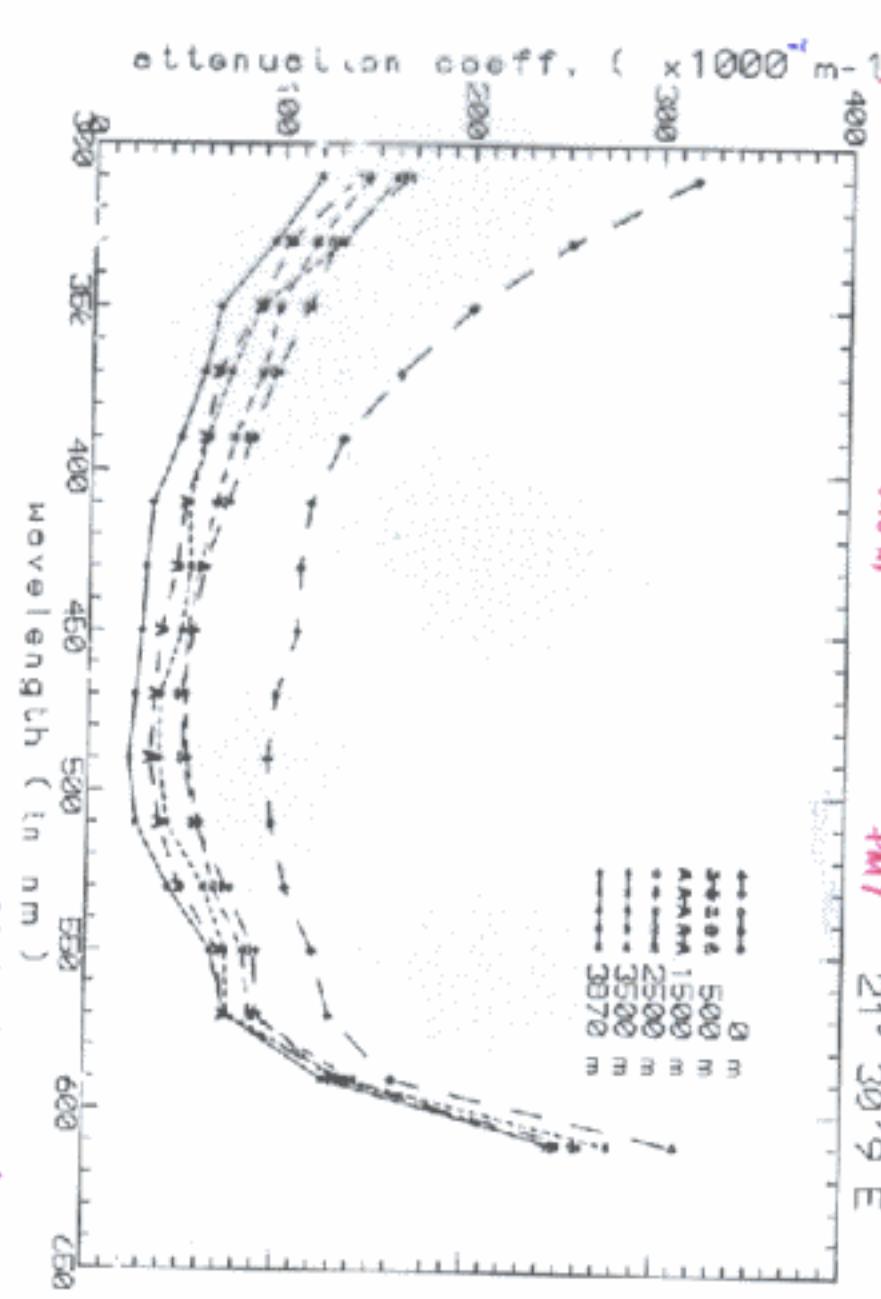
AT WATER SAMPLES TAKEN  
FROM VARIOUS DEPTHS  
IN 8 DIFFERENT SITES

Collimator  
LIO 4  
PMT

36° 37' 2 N  
21° 30' 9 E

NESTOR  
area

0 m  
500 m  
1000 m  
1500 m  
2000 m  
2500 m  
3000 m  
3500 m  
3870 m





NESTOR SITE

METIONI —



## DENSE WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING

- ANALOGUE SIGNAL TRANSMISSION
- ONE WAVELENGTH / PMT
- 1.6 nm BETWEEN ADJACENT PMTs

