

Dark Matter search with the XENON and DARWIN experiments

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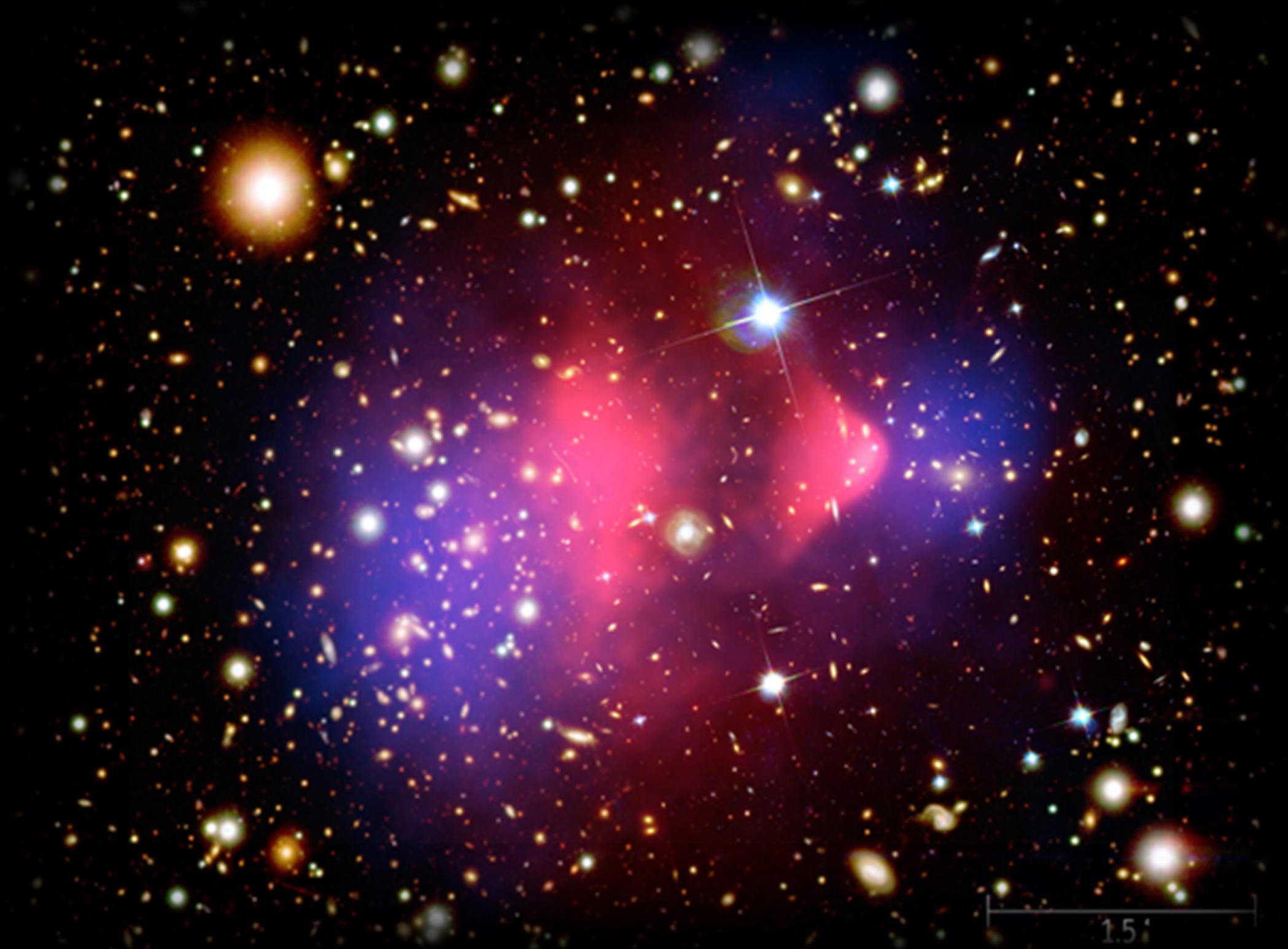
What is Dark Matter?

We are not sure! But...

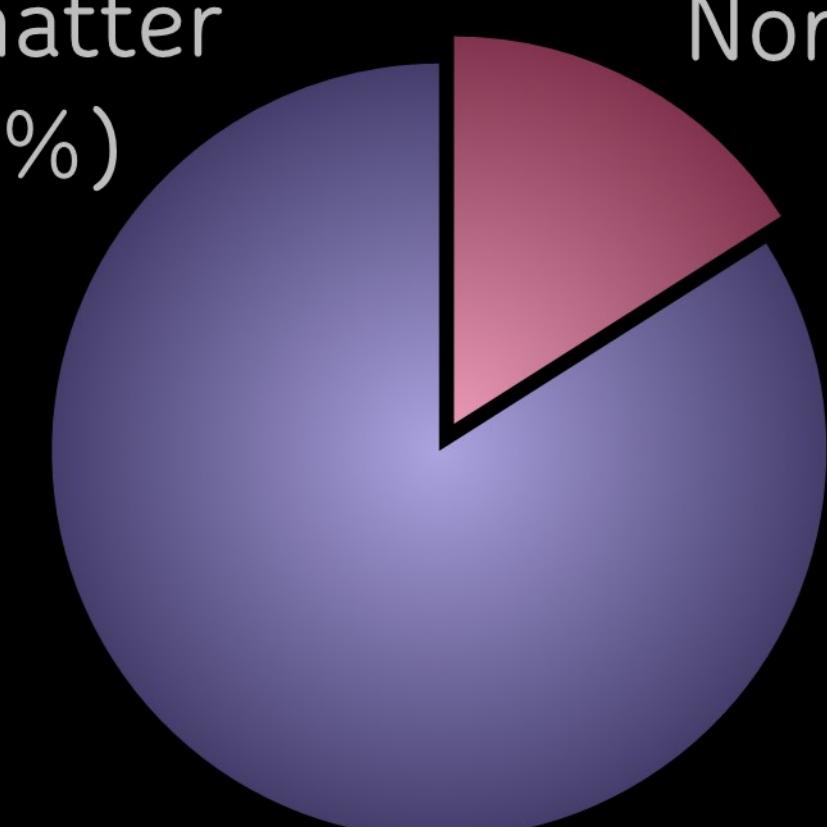
We have strong evidence it exists!

We know it is:

- Massive
- Non-relativistic
- Neutral
- Stable
- Weakly-interactive



Dark matter (84 %)



Normal matter (16 %)

Most of the matter in the Universe is Dark Matter!

XENON



XENONnT

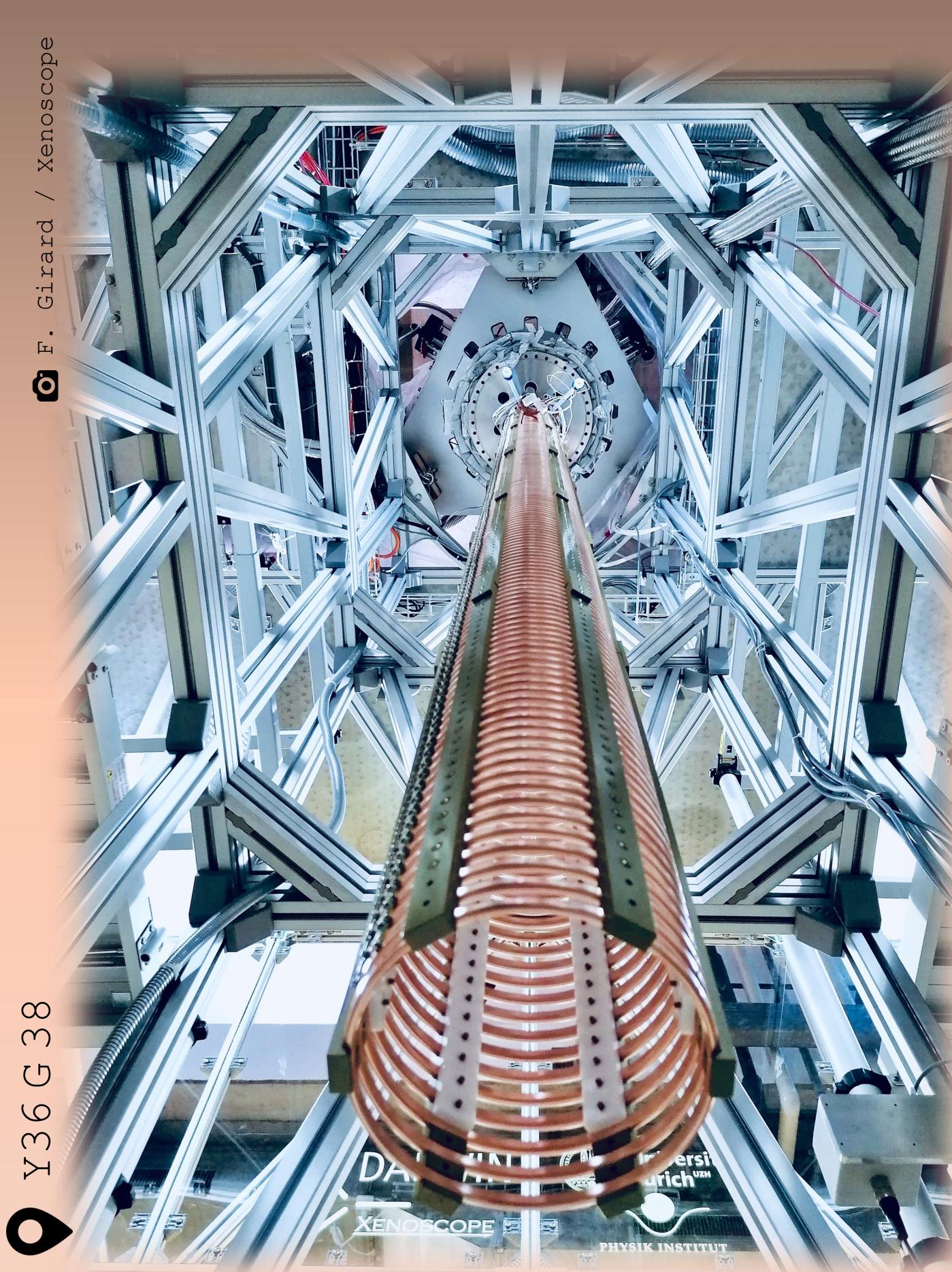
- Located In Italy, **under the Gran Sasso mountain**
- Searches for direct interaction of Dark Matter with a xenon target
- Contains **5.9 t** of liquid xenon in the active target
- Operates at **-96 °C**
- Built with ultra-pure materials
- **Lowest background** level in the field

The detector is running and taking data...

New results **coming soon!**

XENOSCOPE

A full-height DARWIN vertical demonstrator built at UZH



Main Goals

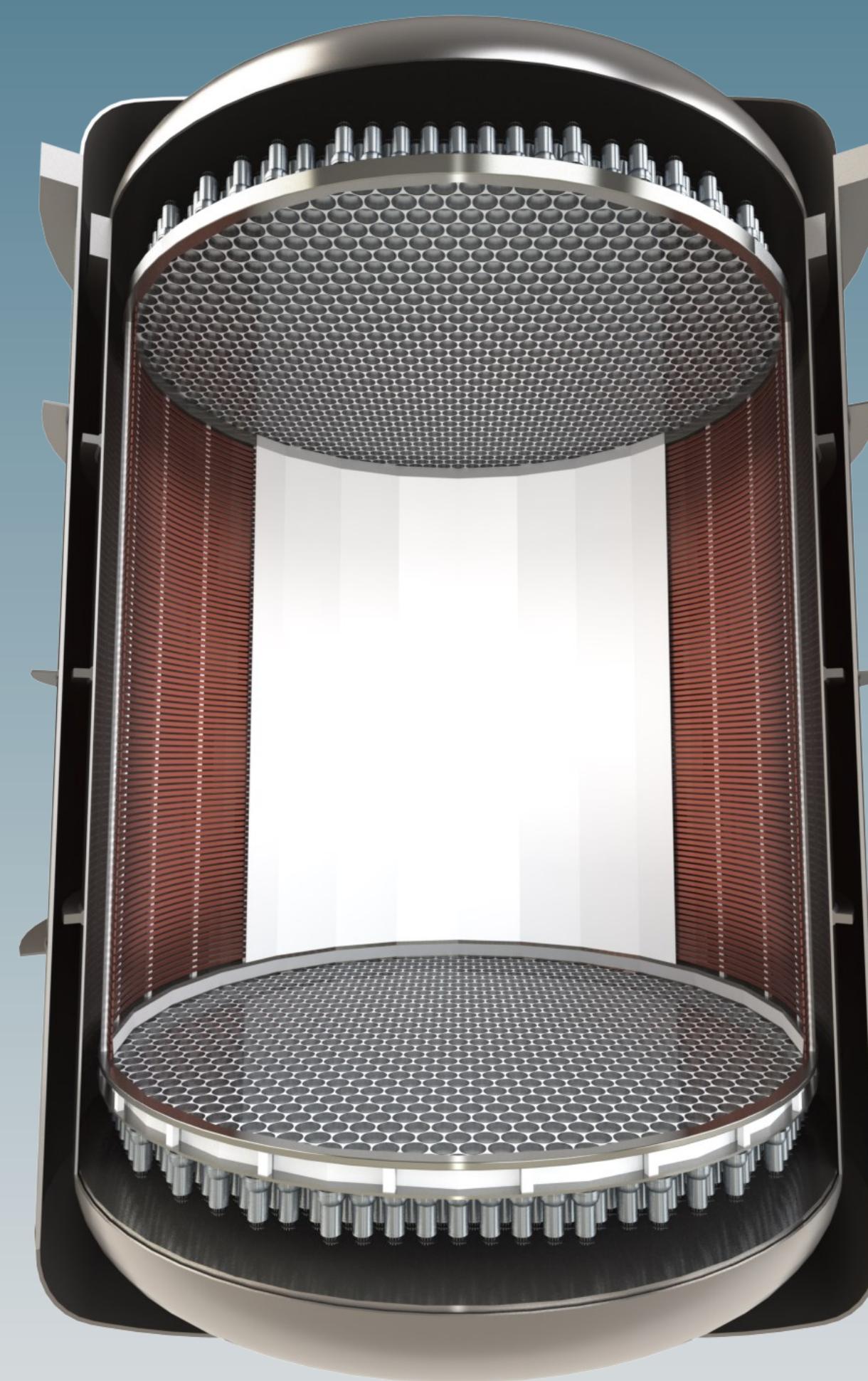
- Demonstrate drift of electrons over **2.6 m**
- Operate a DARWIN-height detector with a **large-area SiPM array**
- Measure **diffusion** of electron clouds
- Study xenon **light attenuation properties**

DARWIN

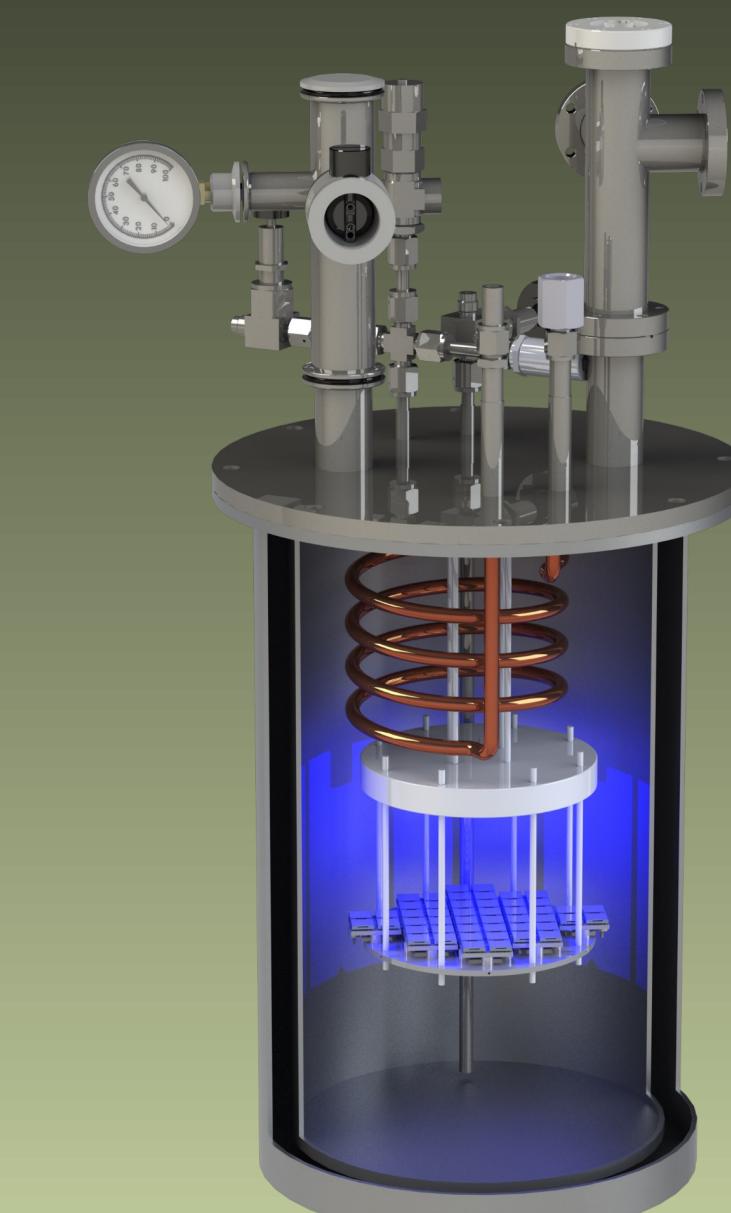
The next-generation Dark Matter detector with liquid xenon

- **40 t**: mass of xenon active target
- **2.6 m**: height and diameter of the main target of the detector
- **2000**: total number of photosensors required for the active target
- **>10 yr**: expected lifetime of the experiment once operational

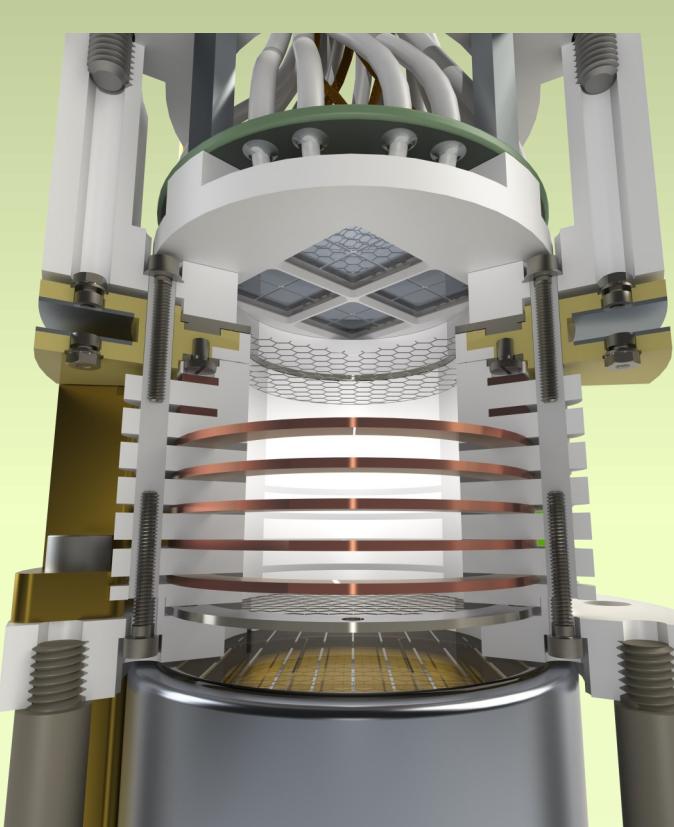
DARWIN will also study solar, atmospheric, and supernova neutrinos, and more!



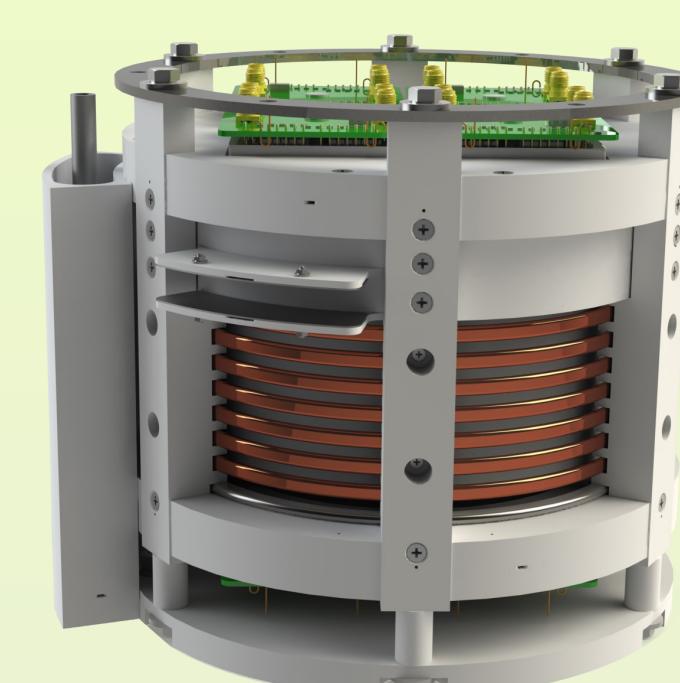
Local R&D



Photosensor testing and readout development



Measurement of fundamental xenon properties



Next-generation detector technology R&D



Projects available

- Data analysis
- Simulation
- Detector R&D
- Hardware

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