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# A Ciência e a Engenharia ao serviço da transferência de Conhecimento

## O caso da Física de Partículas

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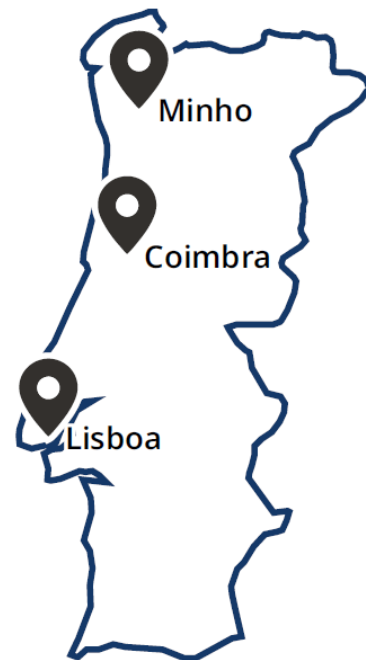
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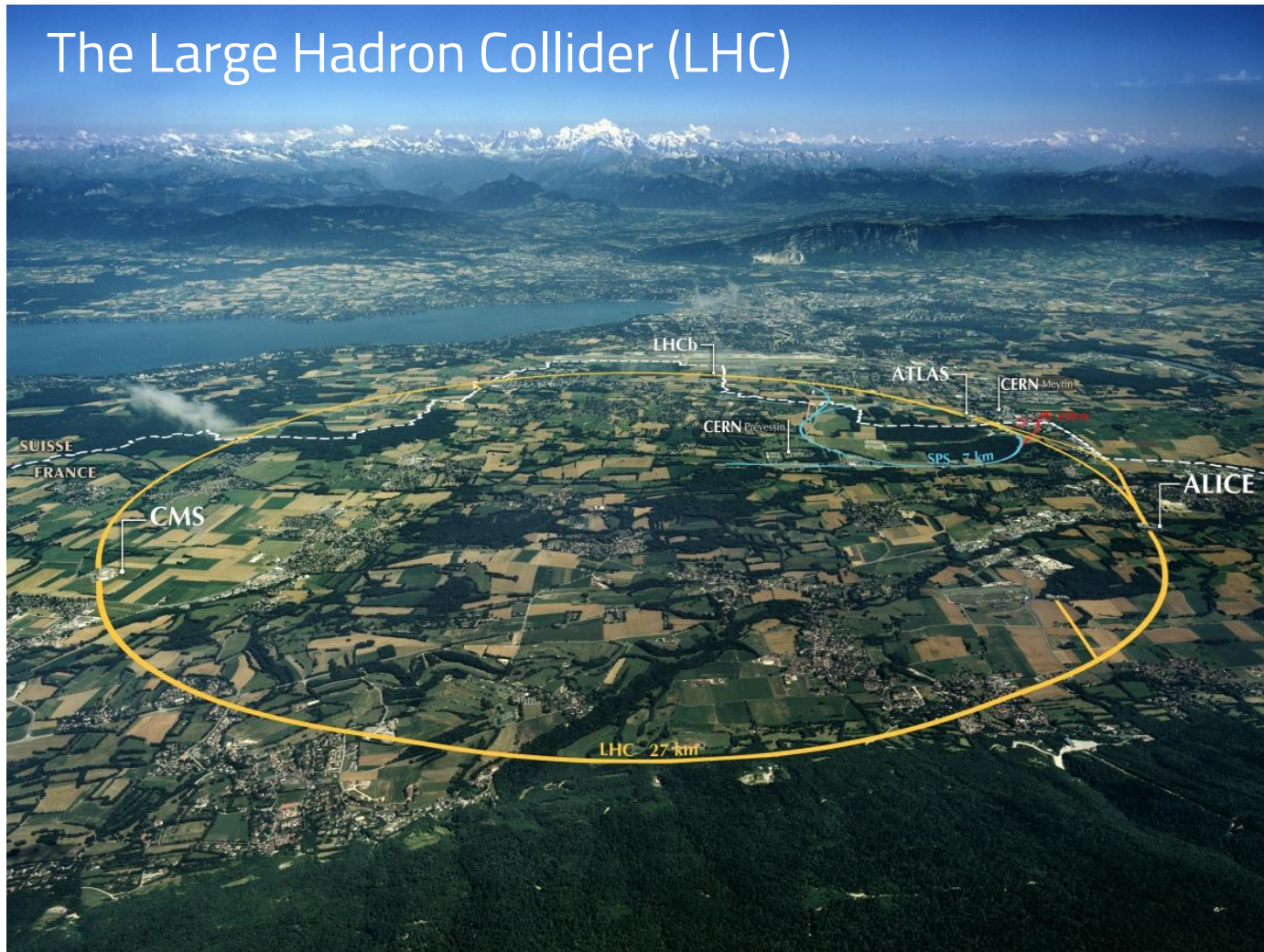
# LIP

## Laboratório de Instrumentação e Física Experimental de Partículas

- O LIP é o laboratório de referência em Portugal para a Física de Partículas e suas aplicações e é responsável pela ligação ao CERN
- O LIP existe para a descoberta das leis fundamentais do Universo, garantindo a plena participação da comunidade científica portuguesa neste esforço, e para partilhar este conhecimento com a sociedade
- LIP é nacional, com polos em Lisboa, Coimbra e Braga, em estreita colaboração com as Universidades locais

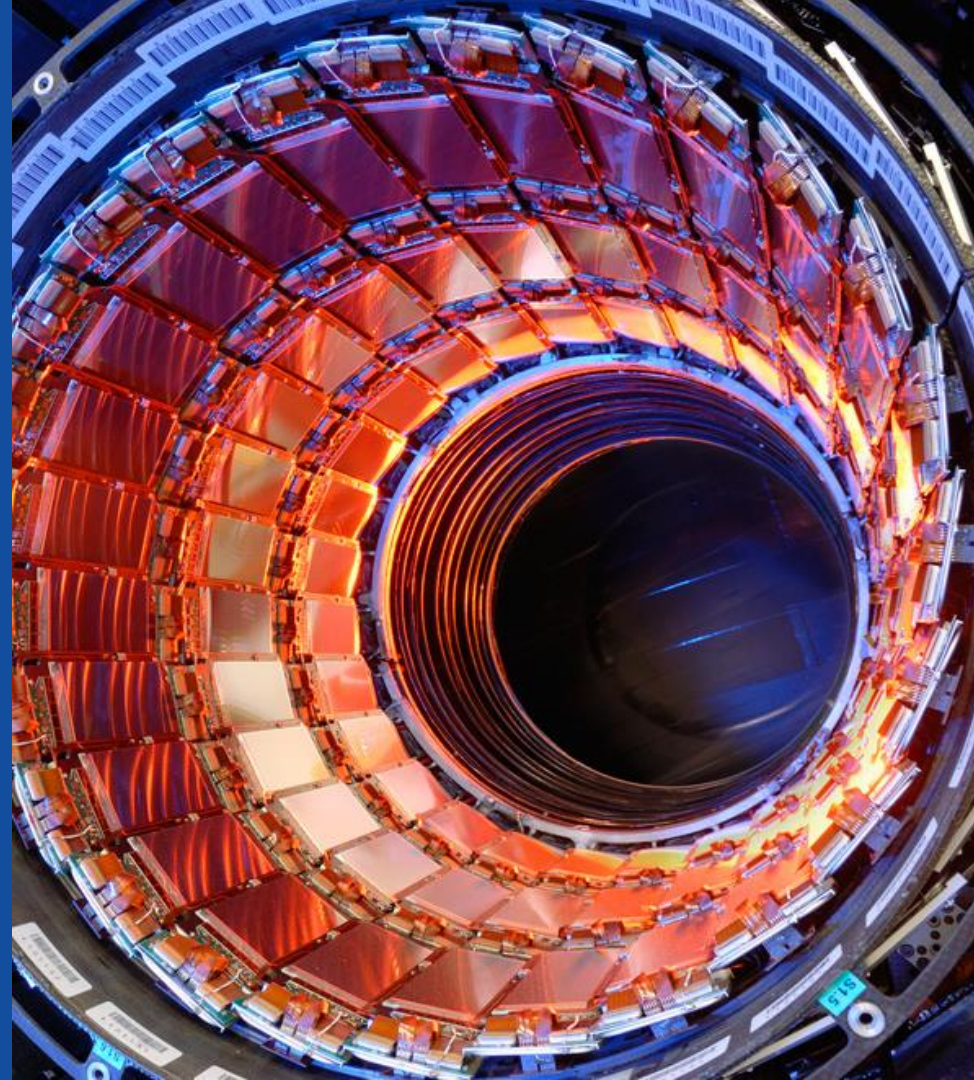


# The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



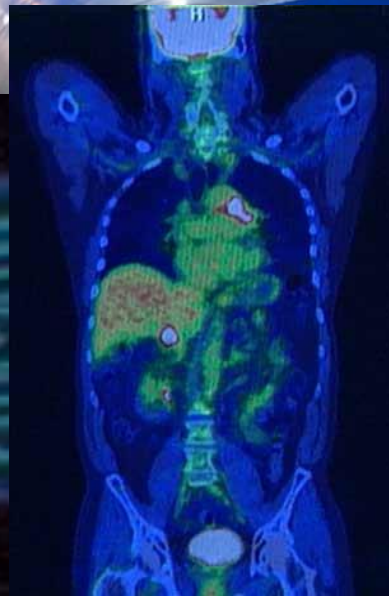
# Na fronteira da tecnologia

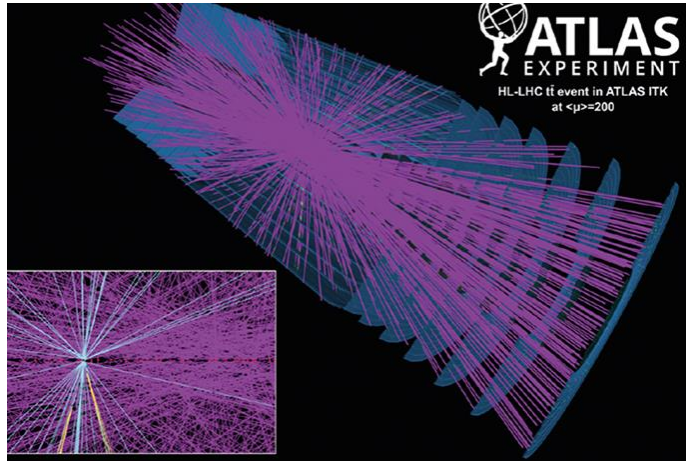
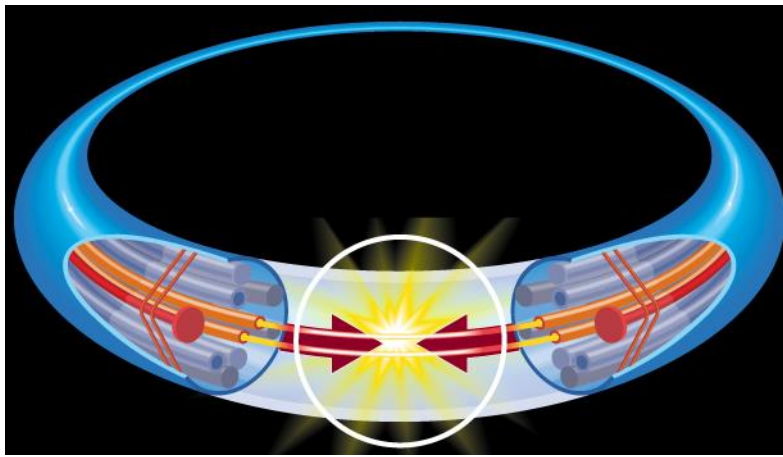
- Os aceleradores e detectores de física de partículas estão entre os dispositivos mais complexos construídos pela humanidade
- É necessário desenvolver tecnologias inovadoras para operar estas máquinas.



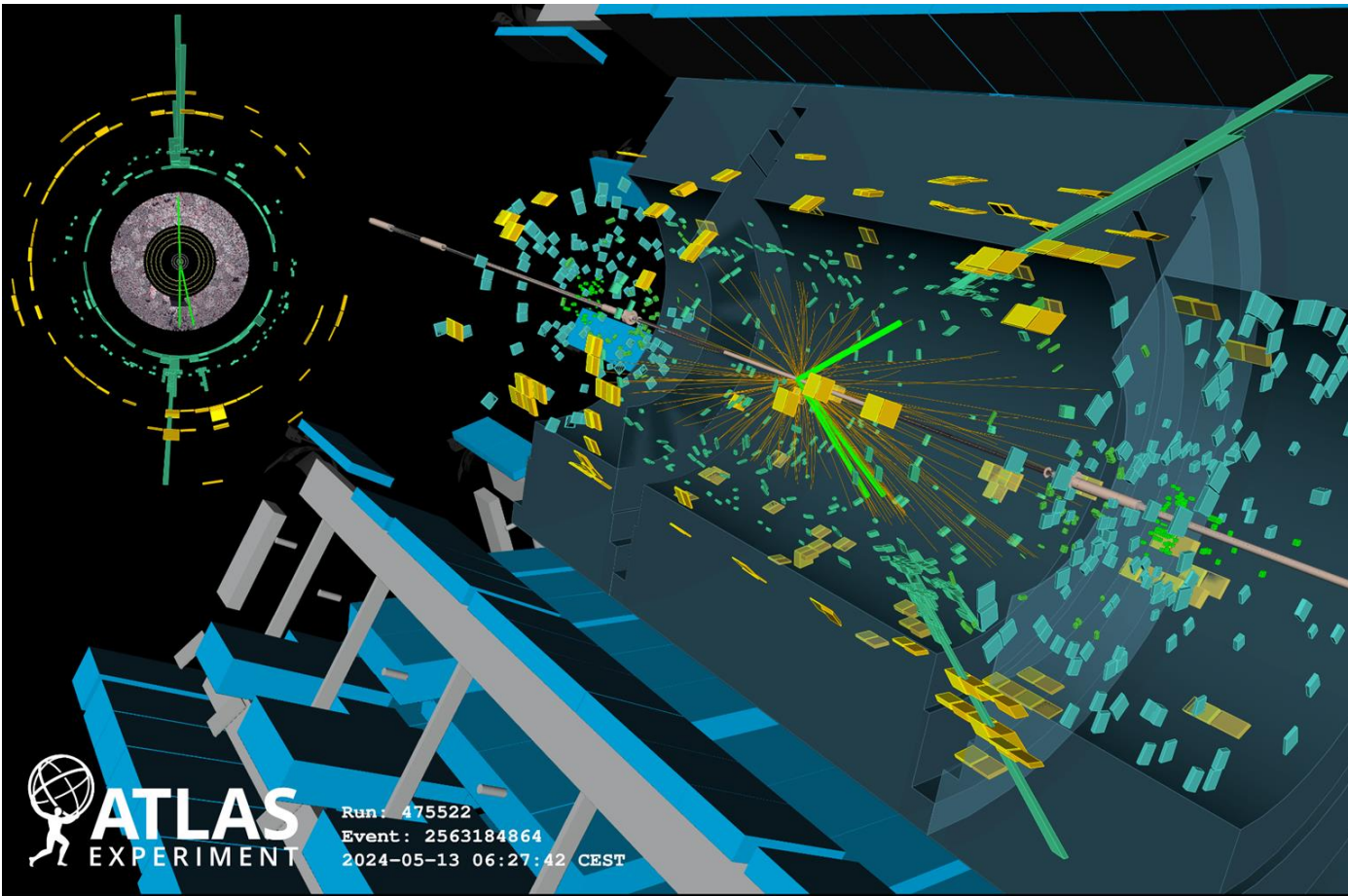
# Tecnologias da Física de Partículas

- Interação da radiação com a matéria:
  - Aplicações à saúde
- Detectores e Instrumentação:
  - Novos Materiais, eletrônica...
- Linhas de feixe e aceleradores:
  - Aplicação medicina, indústria
- Desenvolvimento de software :
  - Controle dos sistemas
  - Simulação de detectores
  - Análise de dados
  - Algoritmos p reconstrução de sinais /
  - Machine learning



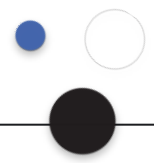


- Feixes de protões colidem **40 milhões** de vezes por segundo.
- **100,000,000** canais de electrónica para detectar e gravar os sinais da passagem das partículas produzidas na colisões.
- **10,000 TB** de dados por ano (por experiência)



**ATLAS**  
EXPERIMENT

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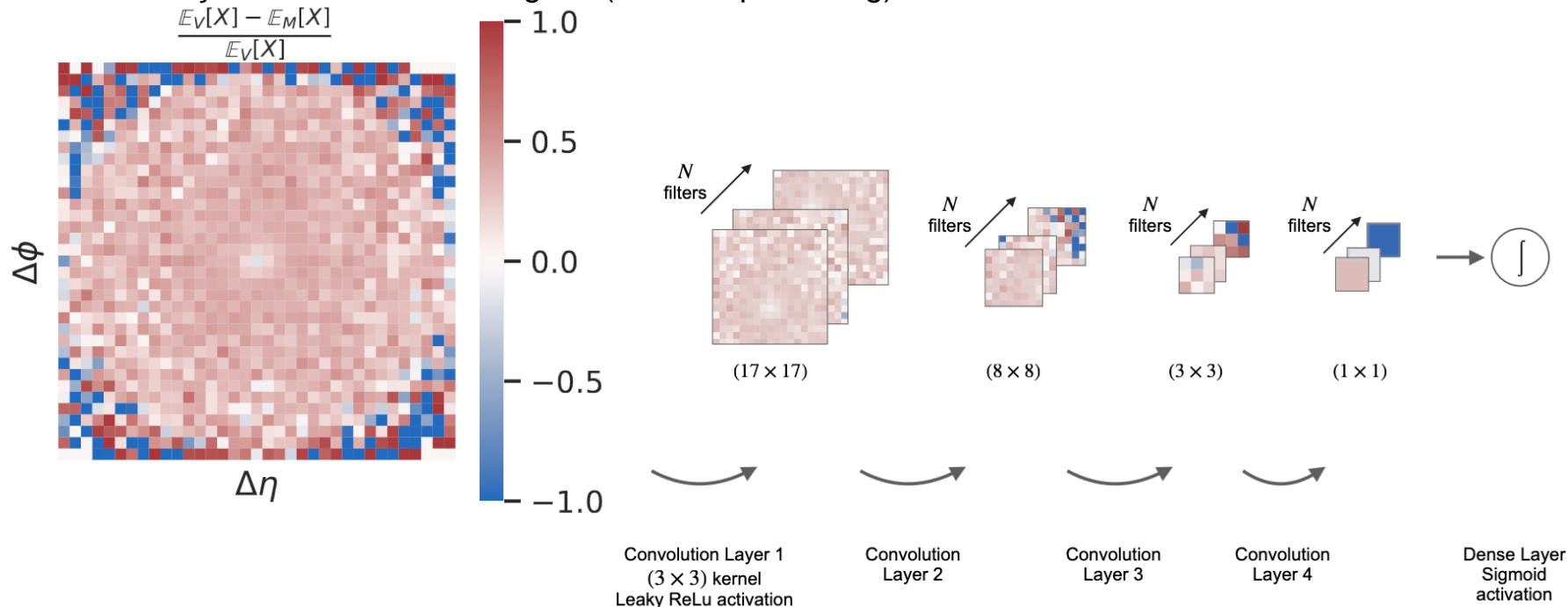


# Classificação de imagens no LHC

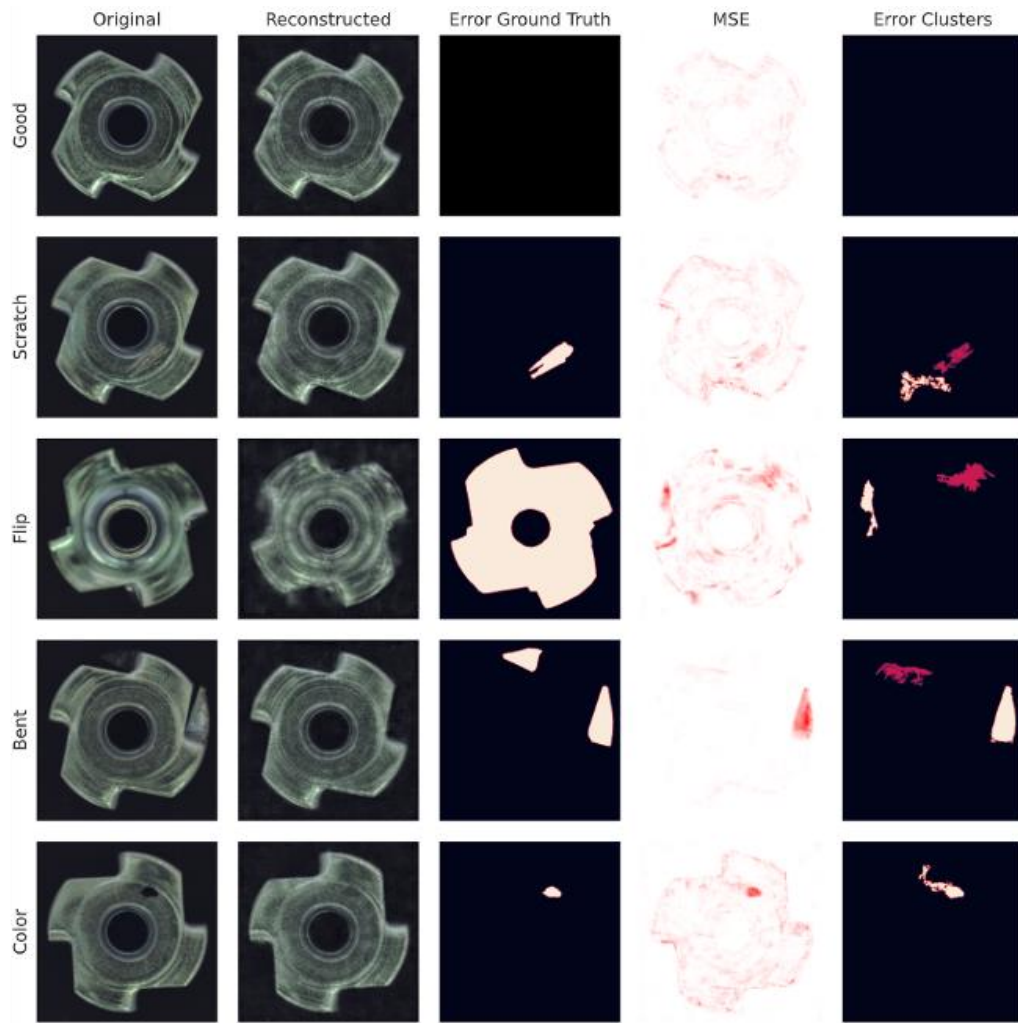
[Deep Learning for the classification of quenched jets](#)

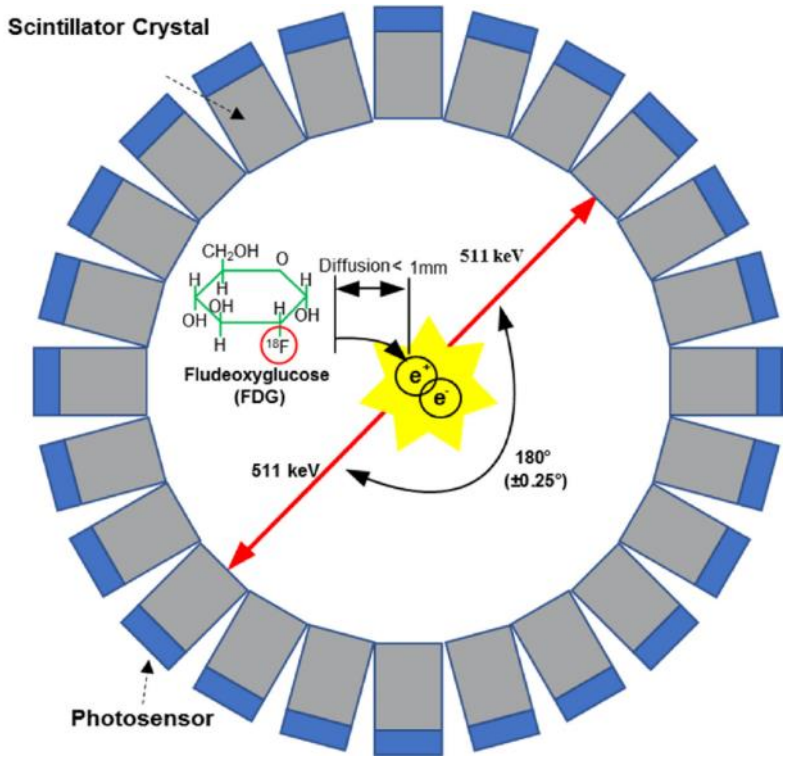
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Classificação automática de imagens (com deep learning)







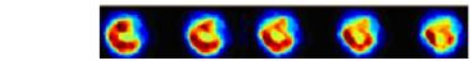
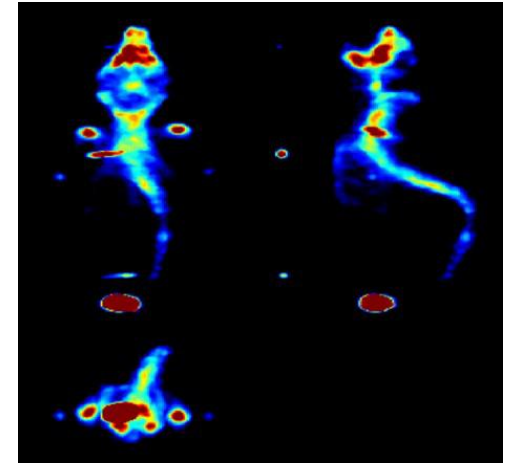
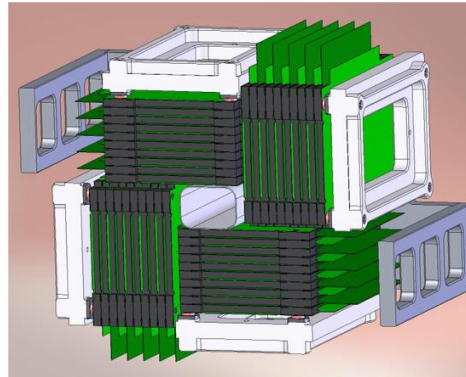
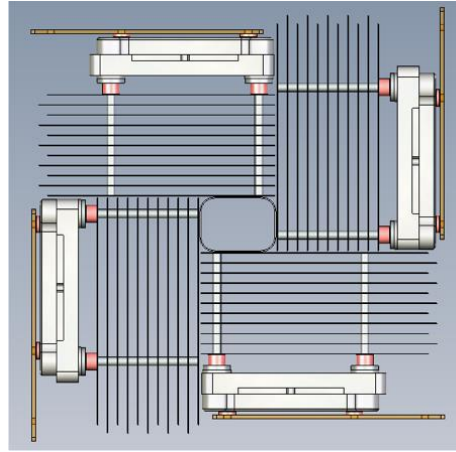
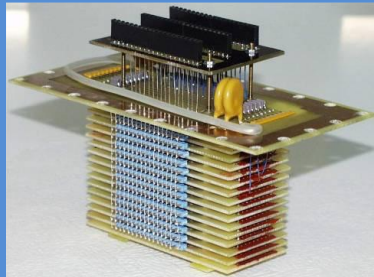


# Positron Emission Tomography

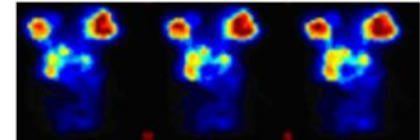
# RPC based PET imaging

## Small animal PET

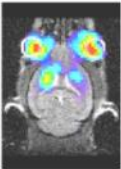
- Hundred of mice examined for biology research
- > three years of routine use
- **0.52 mm spatial resolution**
- **low cost**



Live heart transaxial section with  $^{18}\text{F}$ FDG



Harderian glands and left striatum with  $^{11}\text{C}$ -raclopride



Co-registration with MRI

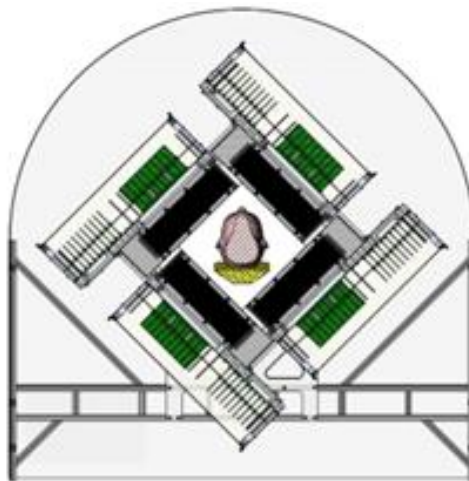
# RPC based PET imaging

## Human brain PET

Diagnosis and investigation of diseases of the central nervous system by allowing to resolve small brain structures

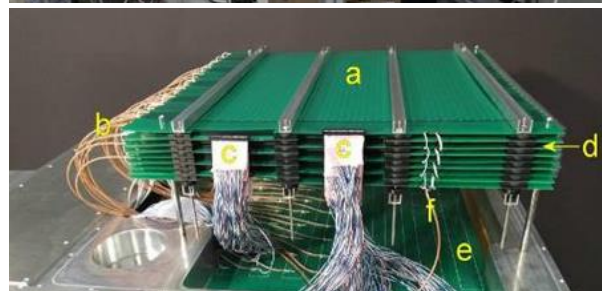
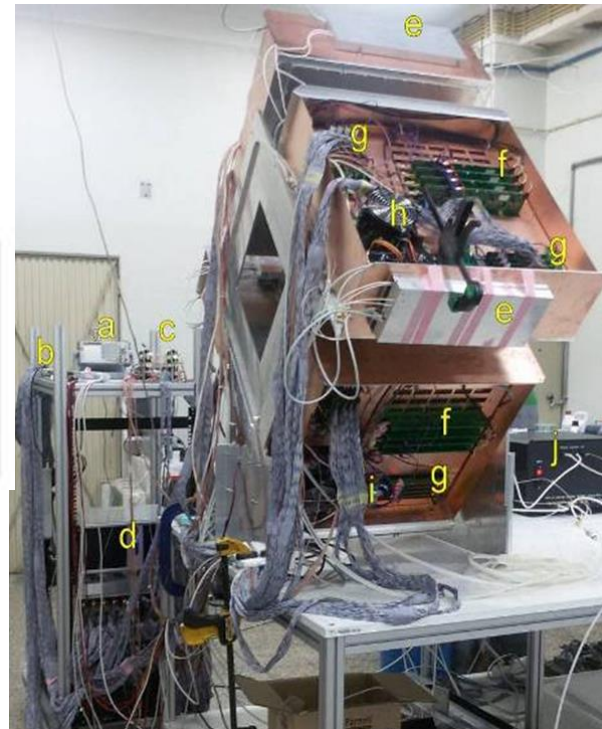
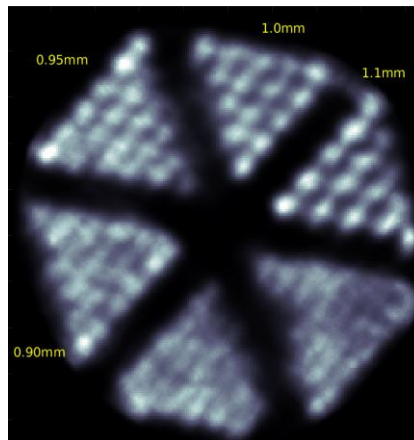
Construction of a tomograph for Human brain imaging with the requirements:

- Spatial precision  $< 1$  mm
- Timing precision  $< 300$  ps
- Solid angle coverage  $> 50\%$
- Sensitivity of the order of  $0.1\%$



**Radial resolution  $< 1$  mm  
(above the state-of-the-art)**

Data taken on the final scanner with a "Derenzo" or "hot-rod" phantom with  $^{18}\text{F}$ .



# Scintillators emit luminescence light when excited by nuclear radiation/high-energy particles

Can be organic (crystal, liquid, plastics), inorganic, gases

## Technology used in many applications involving particle detection

- Nuclear medicine/imagiology (eg. PET/CT scanner,...)
- Homeland security
- Research in Nuclear/Particle Physics  
(eg. LHC/CERN experiments: ~10 tons of plastic scintillators)



New Scintillators and fibres

# LIP R&D on new plastic scintillators

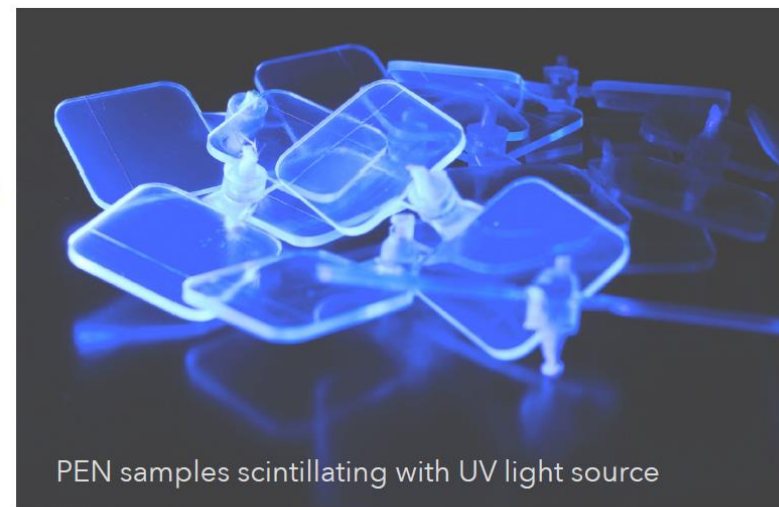
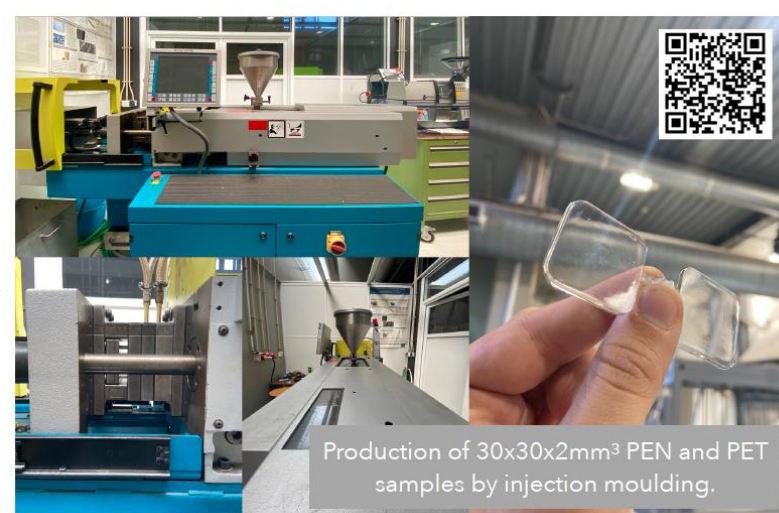
## Exploratory R&D on new plastic scintillator materials

- Collaboration between LIP and Institute for Polymers and Composites (IPC), University of Minho
- National funding by FCT: 50k€
- Set up a scalable manufacturing technique
- Scintillator samples produced by injection moulding at IPC
- Optical and scintillator characterisation at LIP

## Mid-term goals and landscape

- Production of scintillators for detector prototype in construction with CERN
- Collaboration with polymer and mould industry to demonstrate mass-scale production capability
- Formation of a new international scientific collaboration to pursuit ECFA R&D needs (including R&D on scintillators)

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# Application Example: microdosimetry

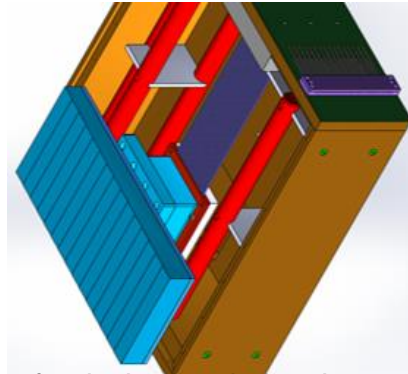
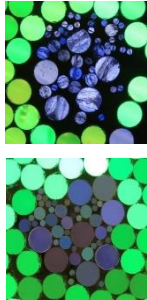
Development of tissue equivalent detectors using scintillating plastic optical fibres able to reach a cell level radiation field dose description.

**SPOF dosimeter** : A large field detector with a resolution determined by the fibre cross section for radiometry and radiobiology experiments.

**Microdosimeter** : Optical characterization of micrometric scale fibres under development in a collaboration with C2TN.

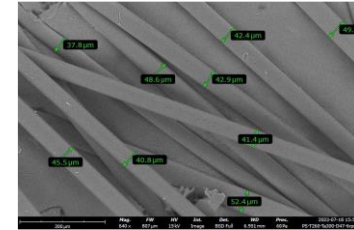
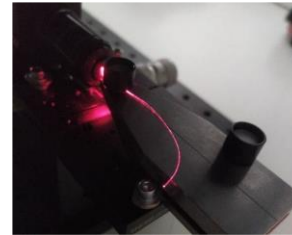
**Other applications** : Radiation monitoring

Working with commercial fibres



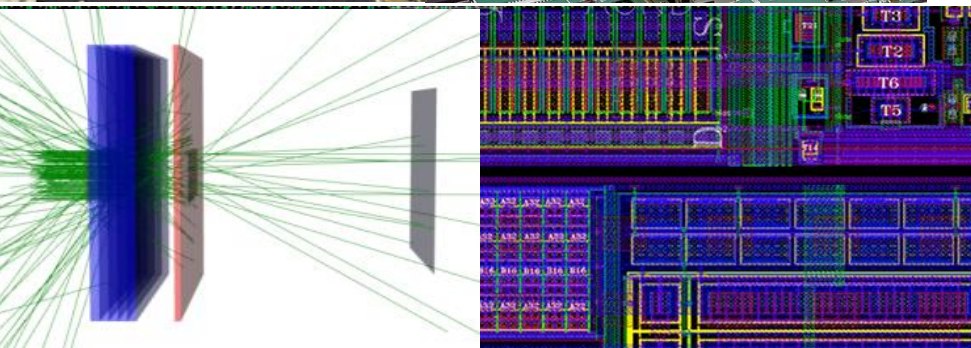
Development of a dosimeter during the past few years now being tested

Developing micrometric fibres with C2TN



Starting development of crystal based detectors  $Al_2O_3$  able to reach a nanometric dosimetry scale

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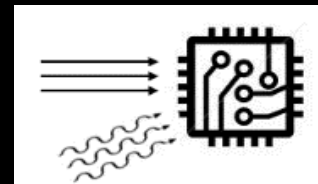


# Electronics and computing

Development of large-scale computing infrastructures  
Data acquisition electronics



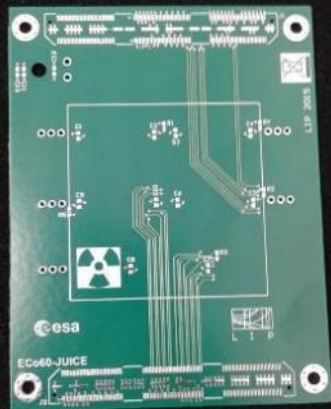
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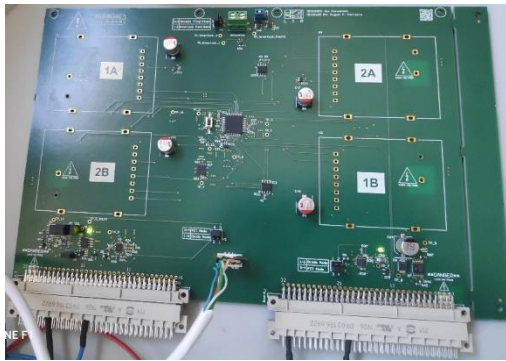


- Electronics
- Instrumentation
- Beam-lines



Electronics lab LIP-Lisboa



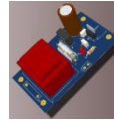
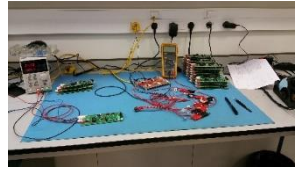


### Electronics for ATLAS

Electronics for High Voltage systems



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### Electronics for The Pierre Auger Observatory

Autonomous, low power station.

Solutions for RPC detectors operating in Argentina pampa

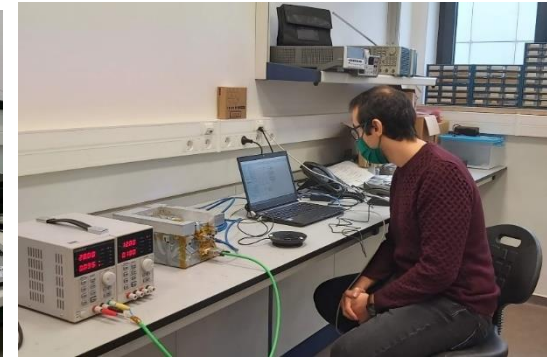
Slow control and integrated DAQ



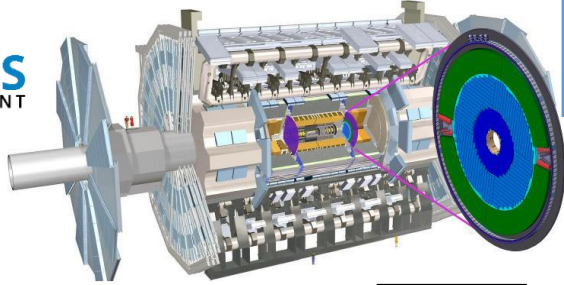
### Qualification of components for European Space Agency

Semi-automatic testing system for radiation damage

Support for radiation monitoring instruments

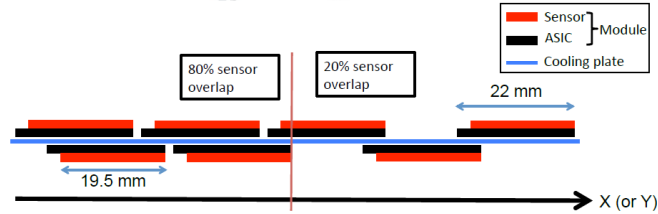


# A High-Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD) in ATLAS

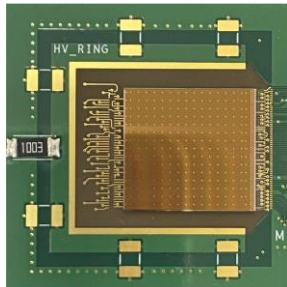
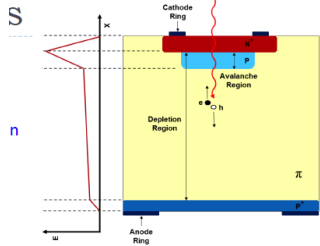


**Charged Particle Detector**  
**1.3 mm resolution**  
**30 ps timing resolution**

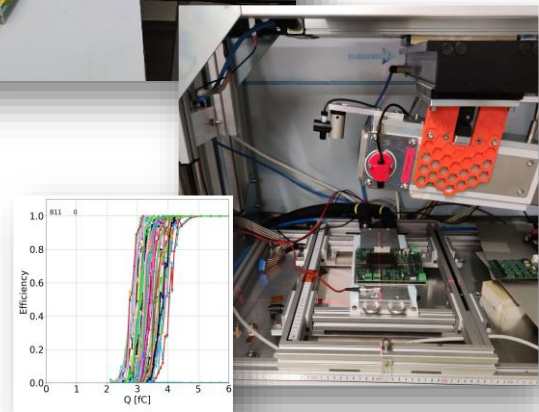
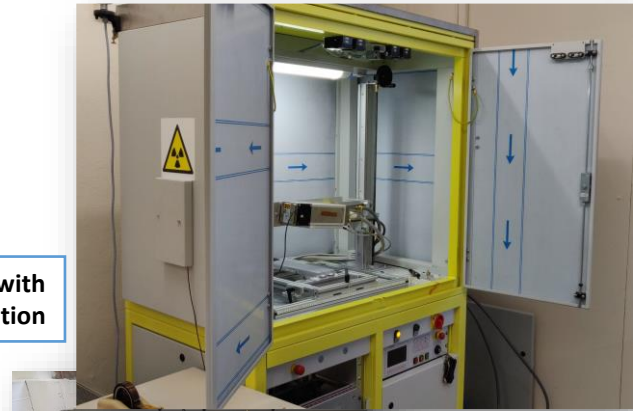
**Performance degradation with radiation**



Sensor: LGAD – Low Gain Avalanche Diode  
 Coupled to ASIC (Appl. Spec. Integrated Circuit)

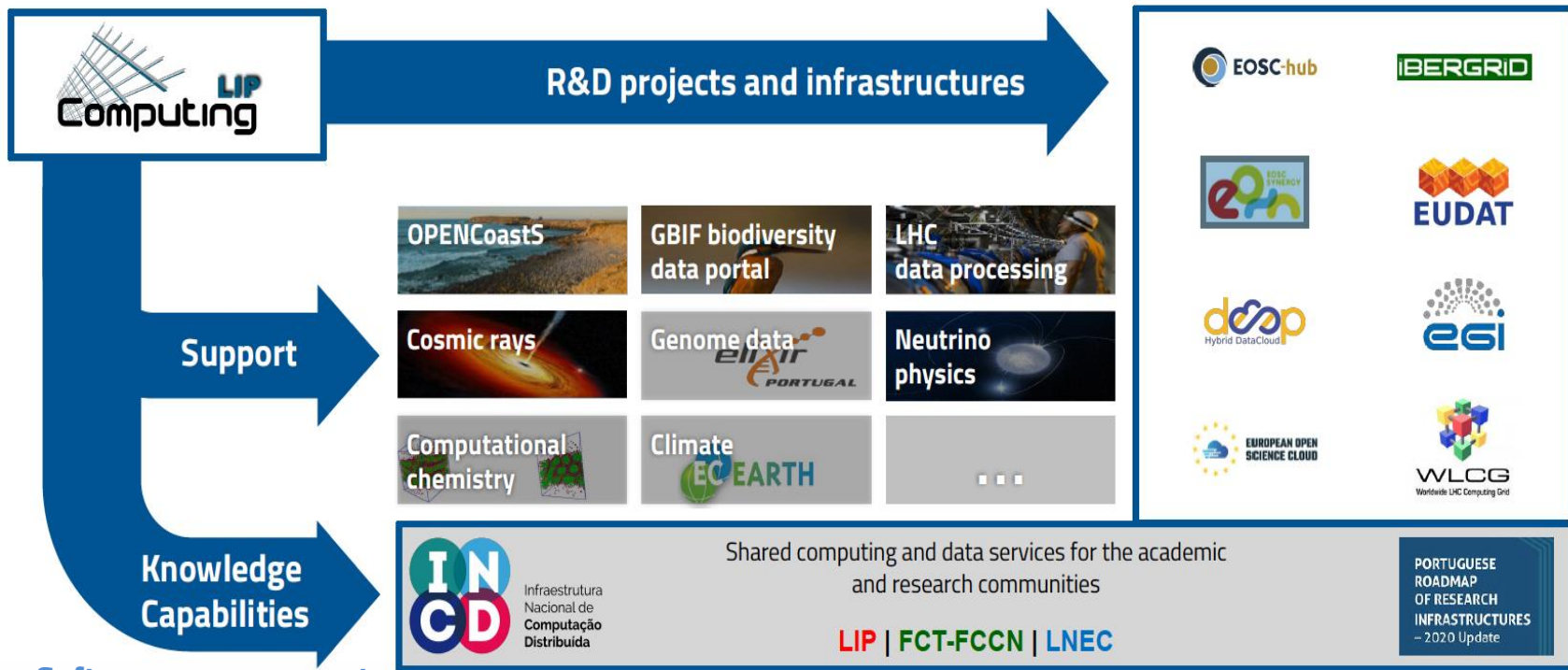


**Technology transfer**  
 Electronics degradation with Radiation  
 Application to particle beams (Medical)



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# Distributed Computing and digital Infrastructures



Software management coordination

Piloting data repositories

HPC and virtualization for machine learning

Cloud for research

IBERGRID coordination

EUDAT national node

European Grid Initiative

pan-European middleware coordination

WLCG –

Worldwide LHC Computing Grid national node

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# Transferencia de tecnologia com aplicação a diversos domínios

## Exemplos:

- **Eletrónica rápida**
- **Novos materiais**
- **Novos instrumentos para:**
  - à saúde: ex: diagnóstico do cancro (PET) e terapia (aceleradores)
  - à segurança: ex: tomografia de contentores
  - a exploração especial: efeitos da radiação em componentes eletrónicos
- **Algoritmos, deep learning e computação avançada para:**
  - Controlo de qualidade em produção industrial
  - Observação da terra: Ordenamento do território, mar
    - ex: alterações da costa, florestas, culturas agrícolas

# Tecnologias da Física de Partículas

A física de partículas e dos aceleradores é conhecida pelas grandes experiências de física realizadas em laboratórios de física mundialmente famosos como CERN ou Fermilab.

Nesses institutos, aceleradores de partícula são usados para fazer colidir partículas, permitindo reconstruir, as condições no início do nosso Universo.

**Para além de todo o conhecimento fundamental da natureza, a I&D em Física de Altas Energias tem o potencial de contribuir para a sociedade com importantes spin-offs, aplicações e soluções multidisciplinares!**

