

The Oskar Klein Centre for Cosmoparticle Physics - a 10-year *Linnaeus grant* from the Swedish Research Council (VR)

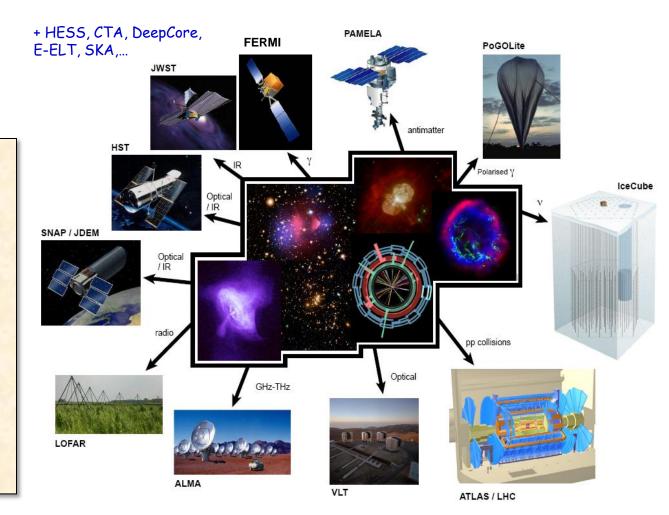
Lars Bergström, Project Leader



Oskar Klein, 1894-1977. Professor at Stockholm University 1930 - 1962. The originator of the idea of compact, extra dimensions (Kaluza-Klein models). Also: Klein paradox, Klein-Nishina formula, Klein-Gordon equation, Klein-Jordan quantization, pregauge theory of SU(2),

Alfvén-Klein cosmology...

The Oskar Klein Centre, AlbaNova, Stockholm: Theoretical Physics (with NORDITA as our neighbours at AlbaNova), plus:





Themes (studied in 5 different working groups):

The proposed research is focused on three central themes in modern astrophysics, elementary particle physics and cosmology,

A. Identifying theoretically, and probing observationally, measurable quantities of dark energy, which can clarify the nature of this mysterious component of the energy density of the Universe.

B. Searching experimentally for particle candidates of dark matter, which naturally means going beyond the standard model of particle physics, and if found, determining their properties and elucidating the underlying theoretical framework.

C. Investigating the physics of extreme objects, such as supernovae, neutron stars, and black holes.



Main Activities

- Five working groups meeting at least once per month
- Organises Workshops, Conferences and Symposia
- Visitor's program
- Seminar program with weekly "OKC seminar & coffee"
- Outreach
- Hired 11 postdocs:

A. Cuoco (Italy) M K. Datta (India) M C. Finley (USA) M J. Larsson (Sweden) F A. Putze (Germany) F A. Raklev (Norway) M R. Rosen (USA) F M. Sahlén (Sweden) M C. Savage (USA) M Z. Yang (China) F M. Stritzinger (USA) M

• In the future: long-term positions