



The DEAP-3600 Dark Matter Detector

Detector construction



Detector overview.

The **neck** will allow access to the inner vessel for cleaning and liquid argon circulation.

Liquid argon at a total mass of 3600 kg (1000 kg after fiducial volume cut) serves as the WIMP target material. WIMPs interacting here create scintillation light.

The spherical inner **acrylic vessel** has a diameter of 170 cm. It holds the liquid argon.

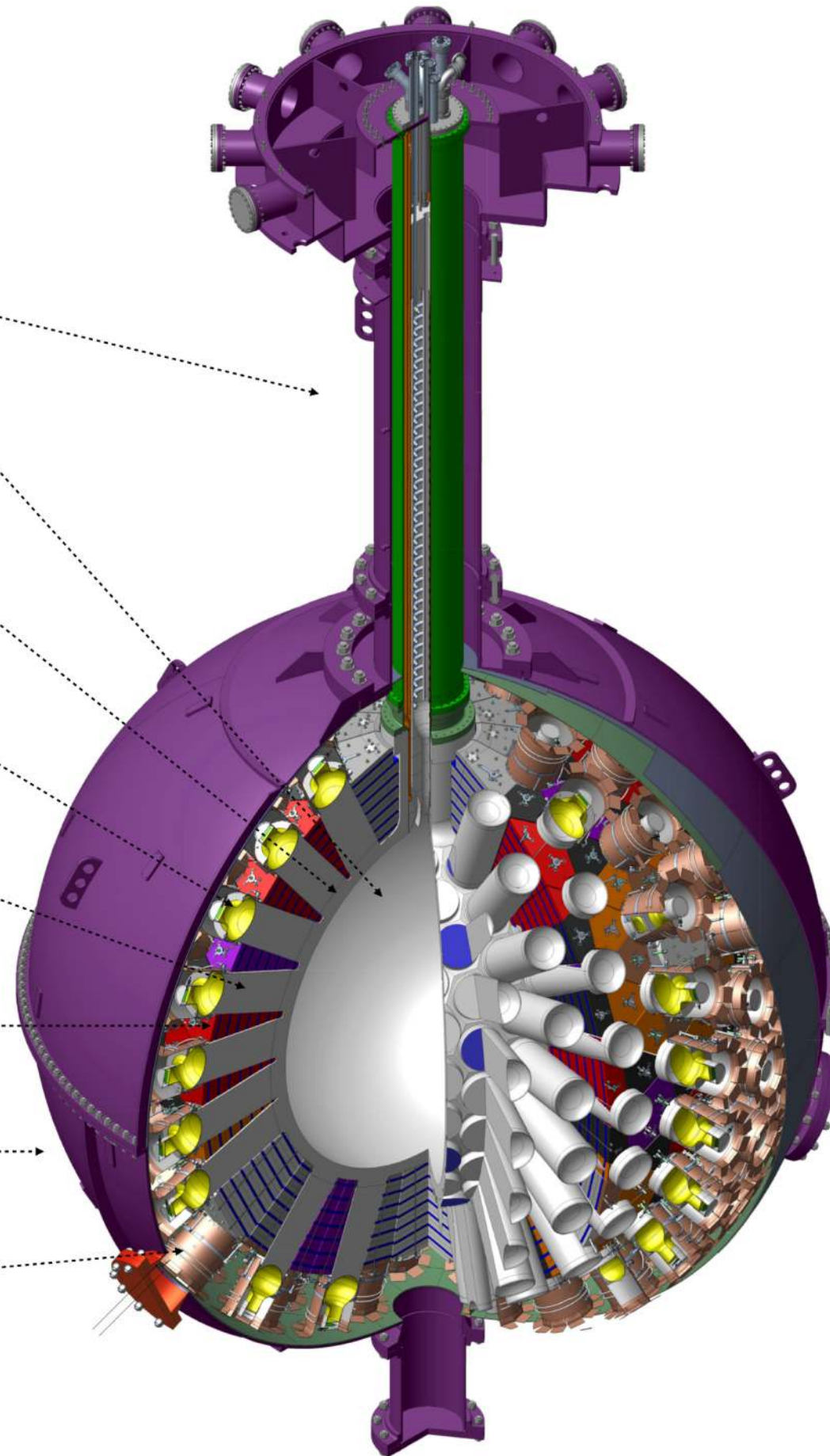
255 8" **photo-multiplier tubes (PMTs)** are optically coupled to the liquid argon volume by acrylic light guides. They detect the scintillation light.

The acrylic **light-guides** are long enough to absorb the neutrons emitted from the PMT glass and serve as thermal insulation, allowing the PMTs to be operated at near-room temperature.

Filler-blocks, made from HDPE sandwiched with foam, serve as additional neutron and thermal shielding.

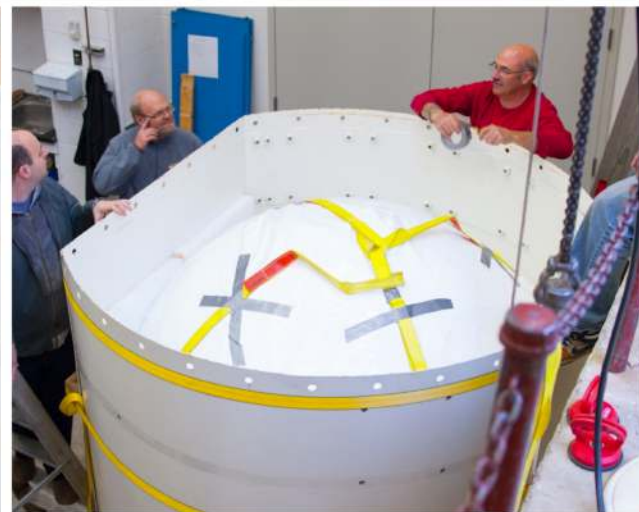
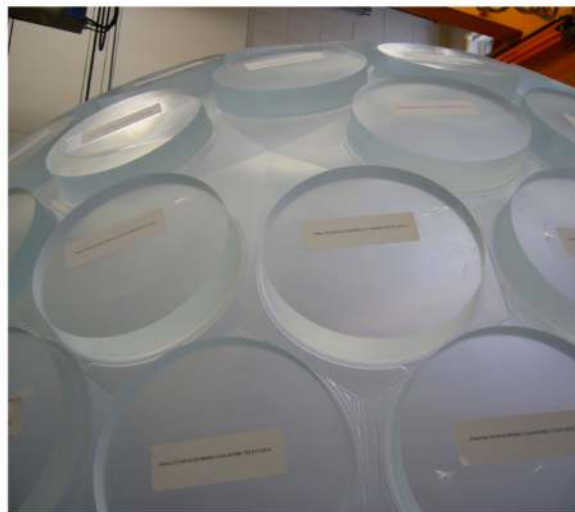
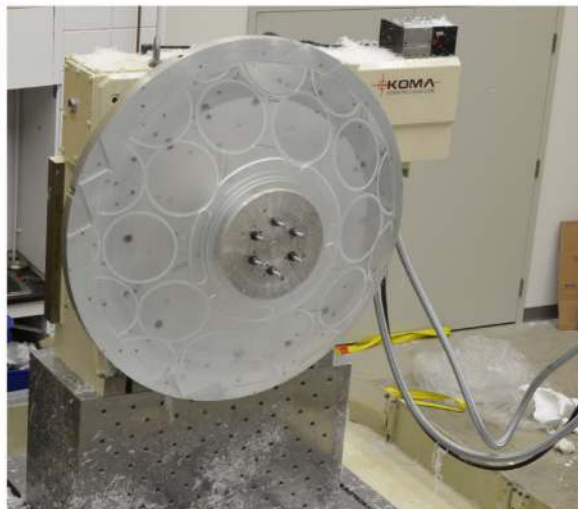
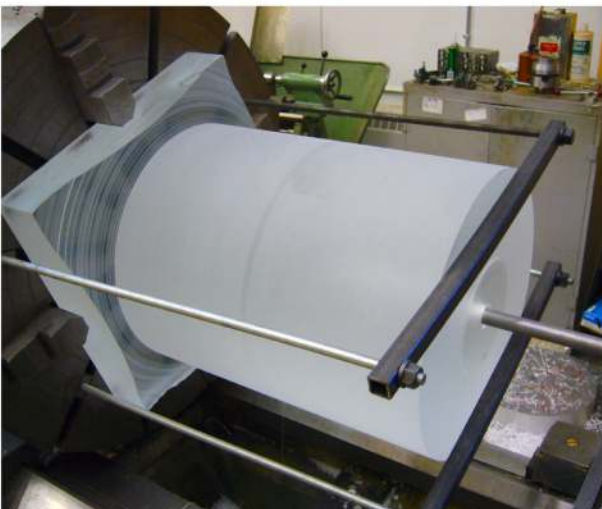
The **stainless steel shell** isolates the detector from the water bath it is submerged in.

Copper **thermal shorts** keep the PMTs at their ideal operating temperature.

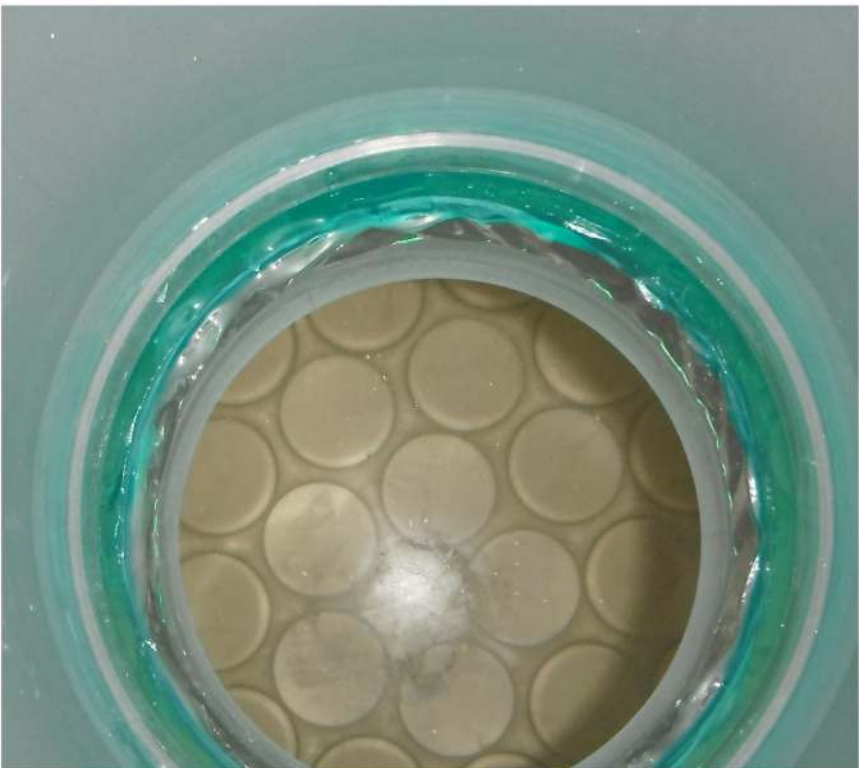


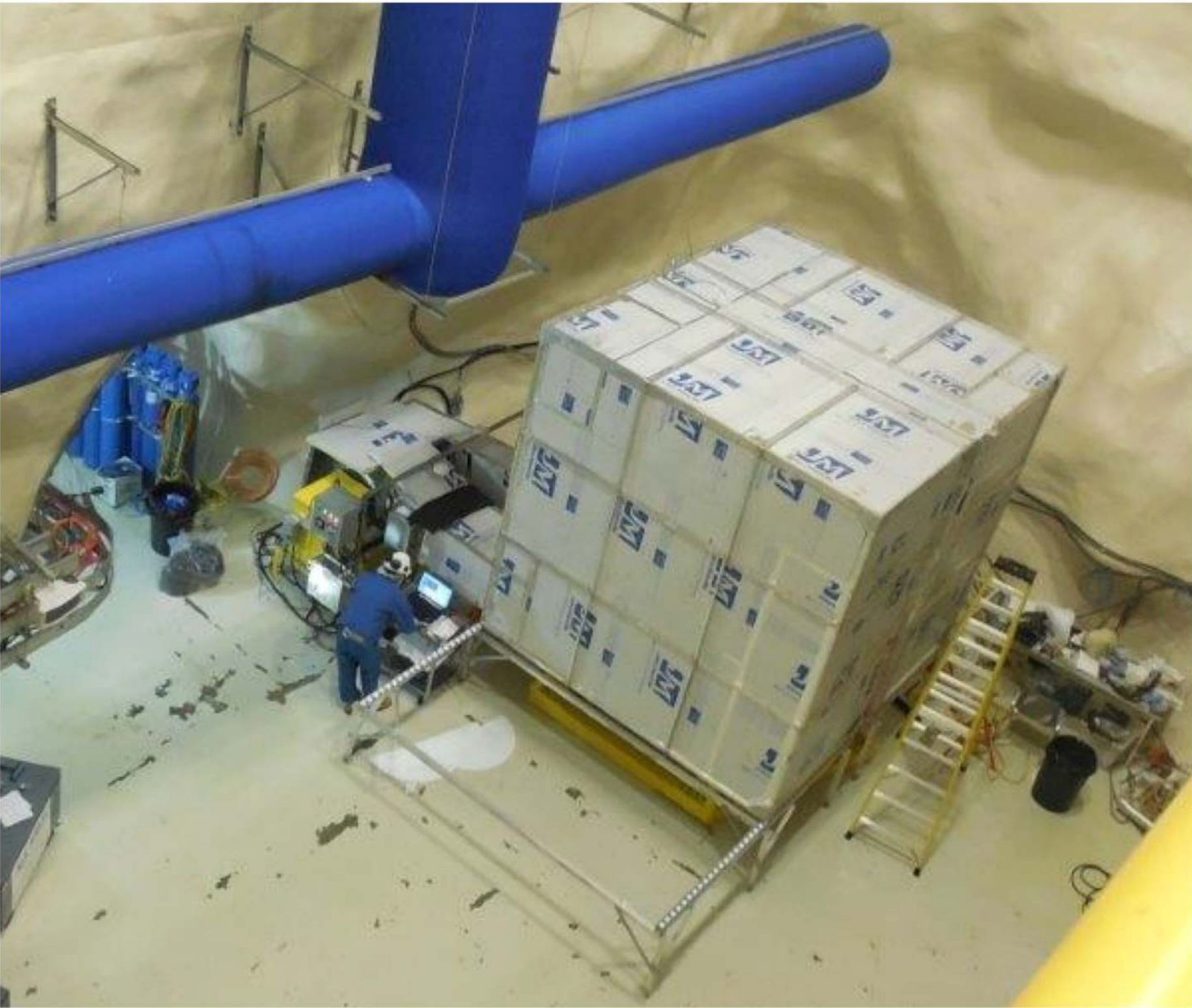


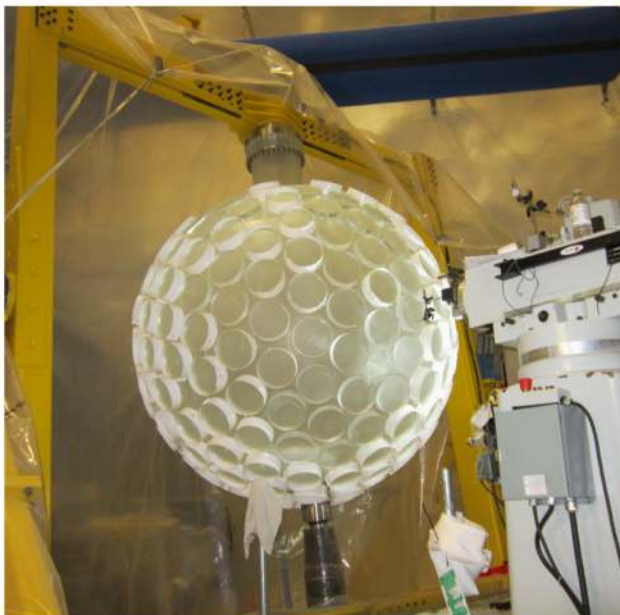


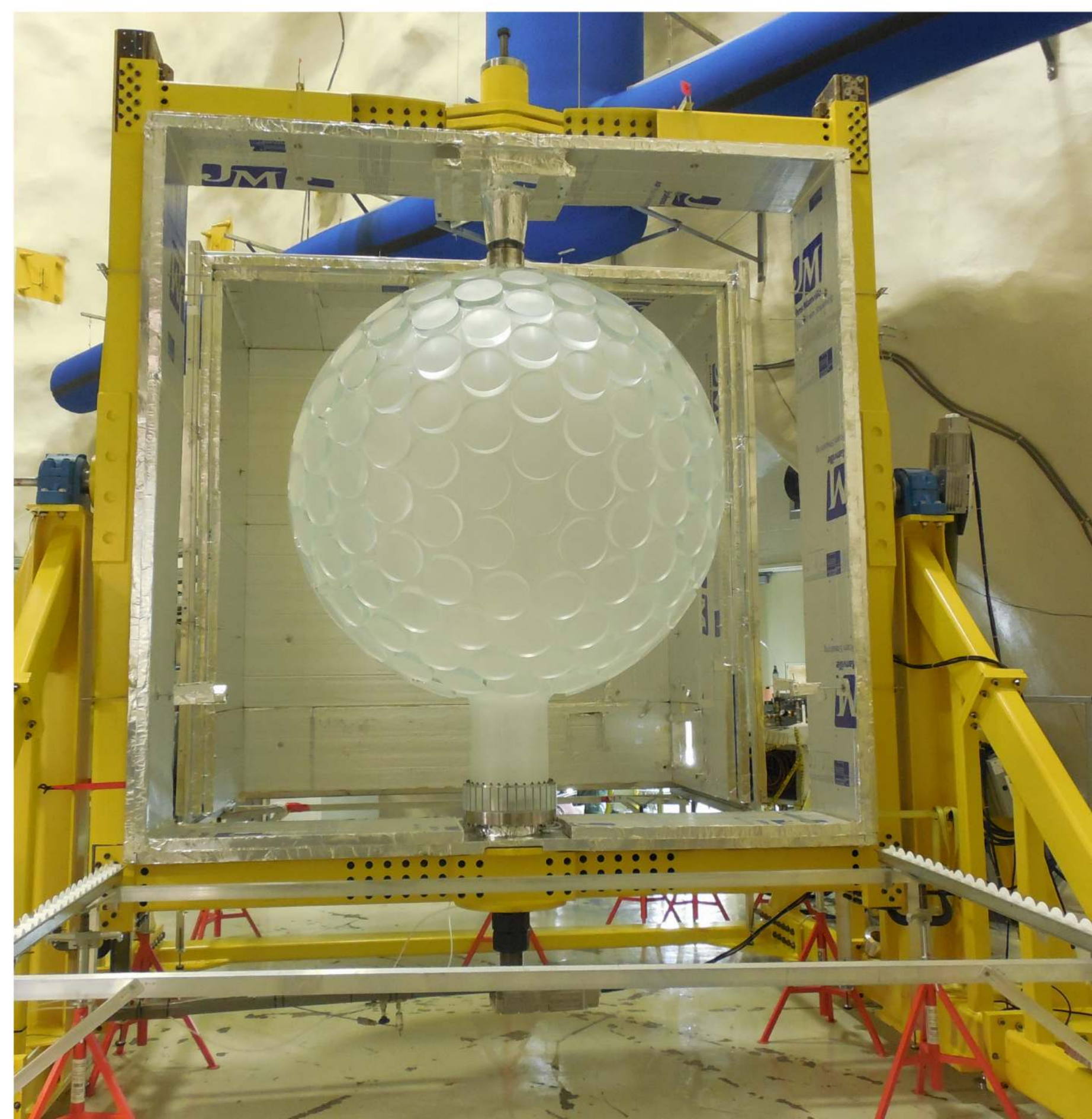


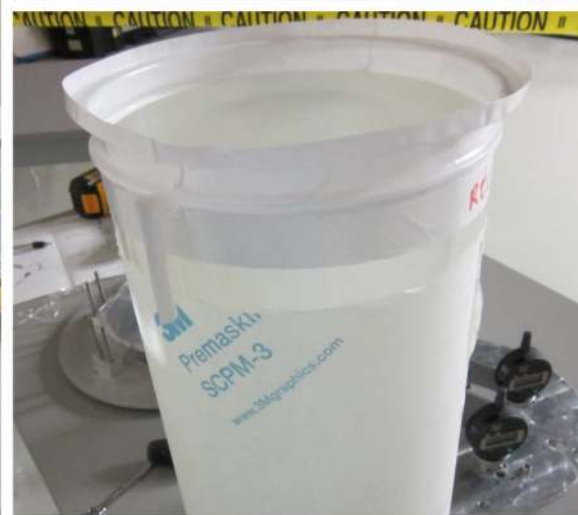
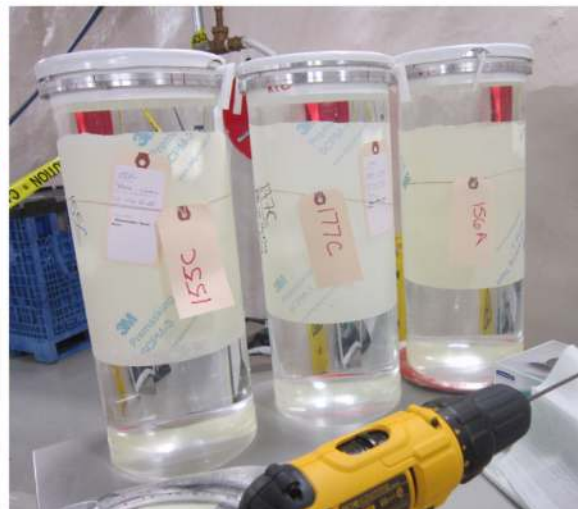
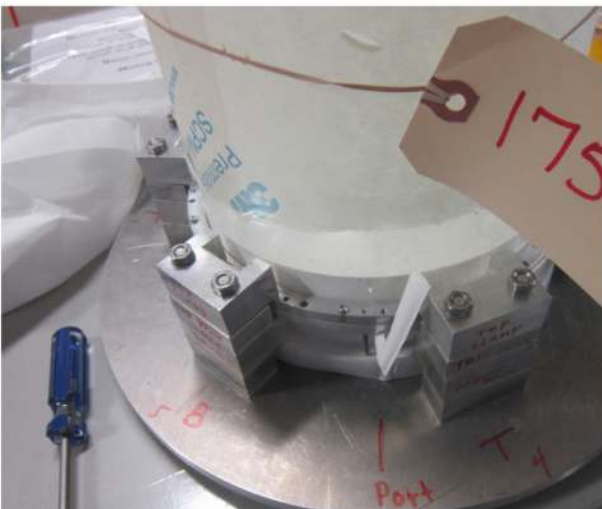






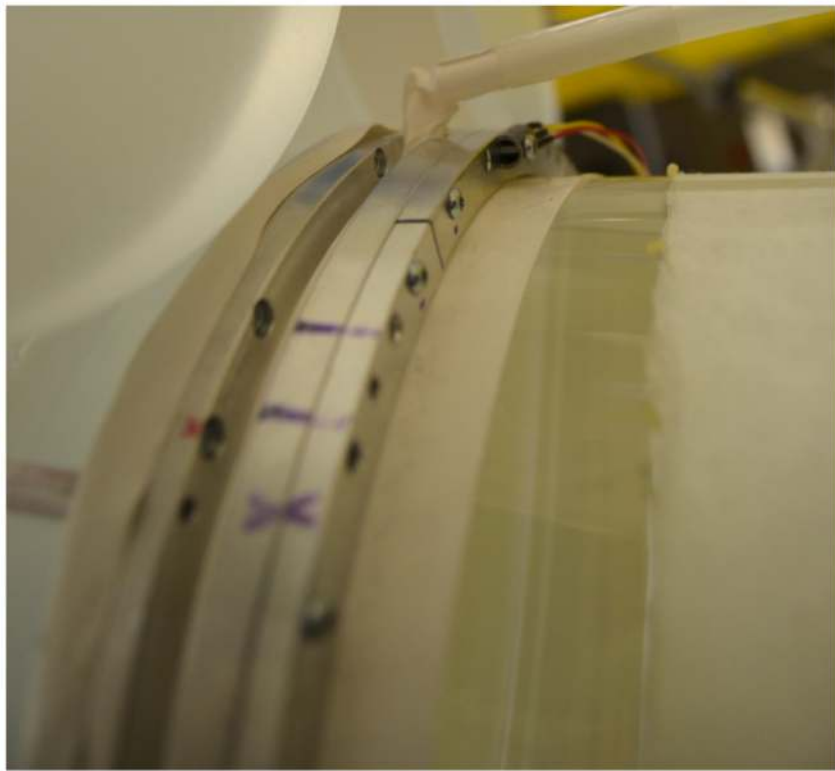
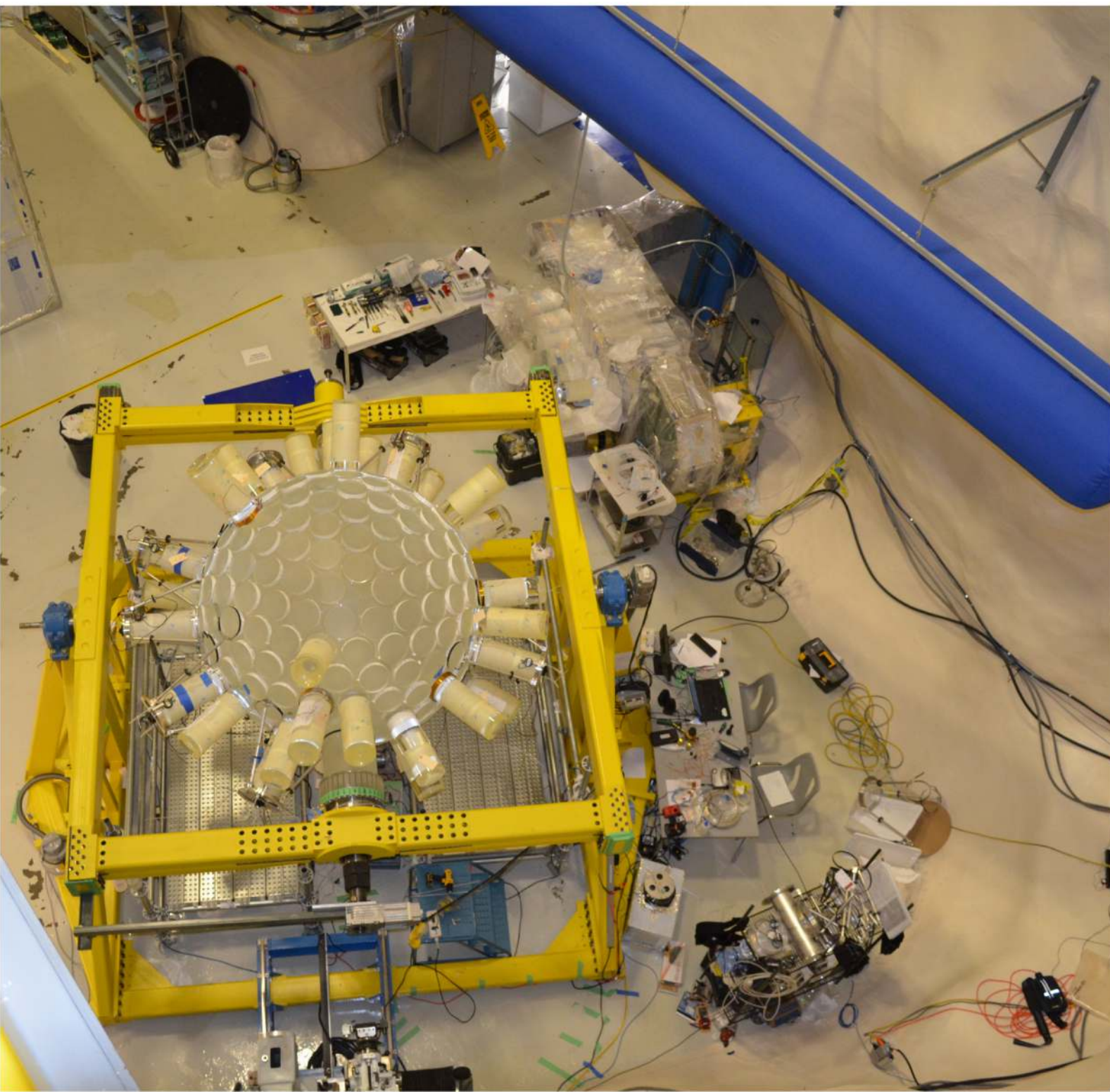






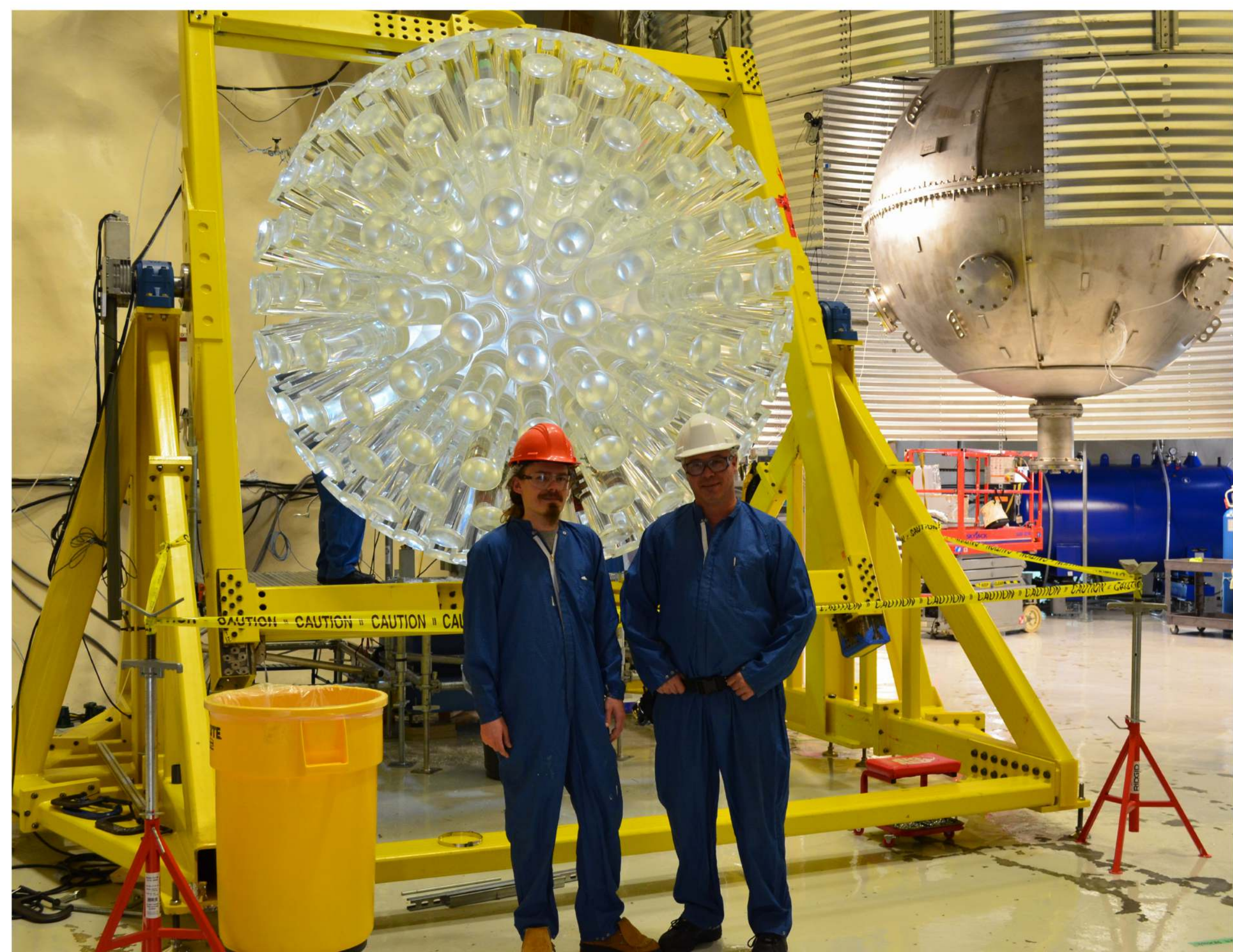


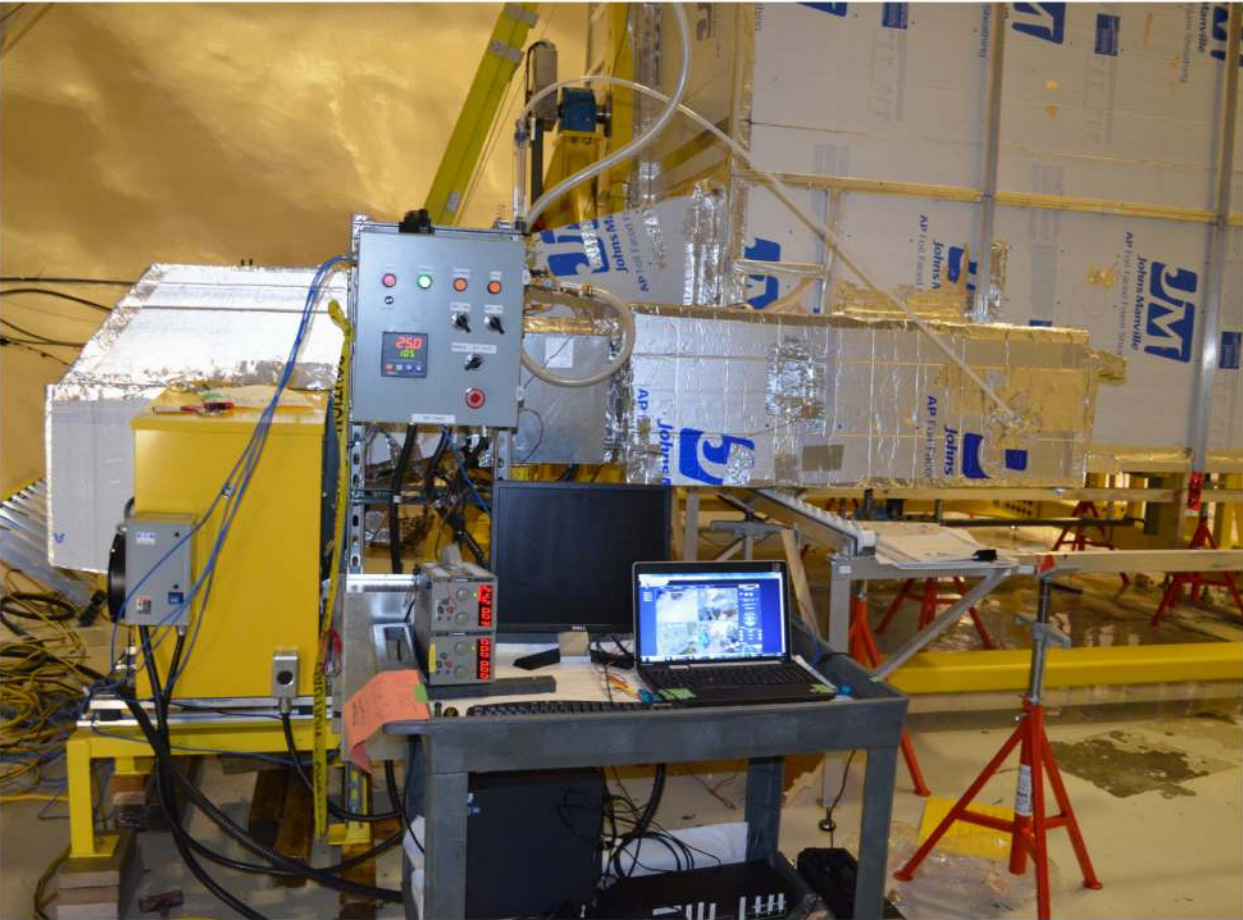


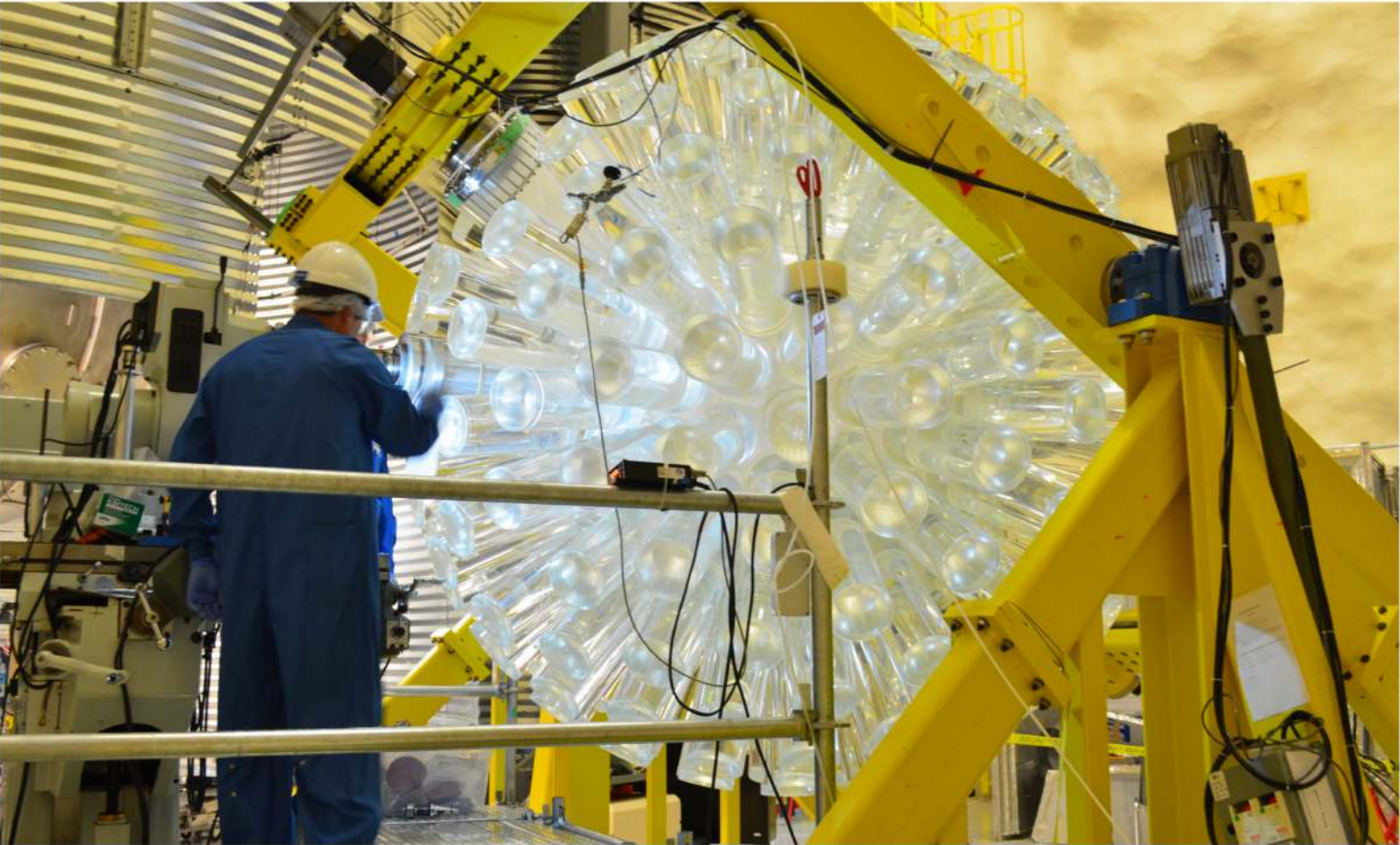


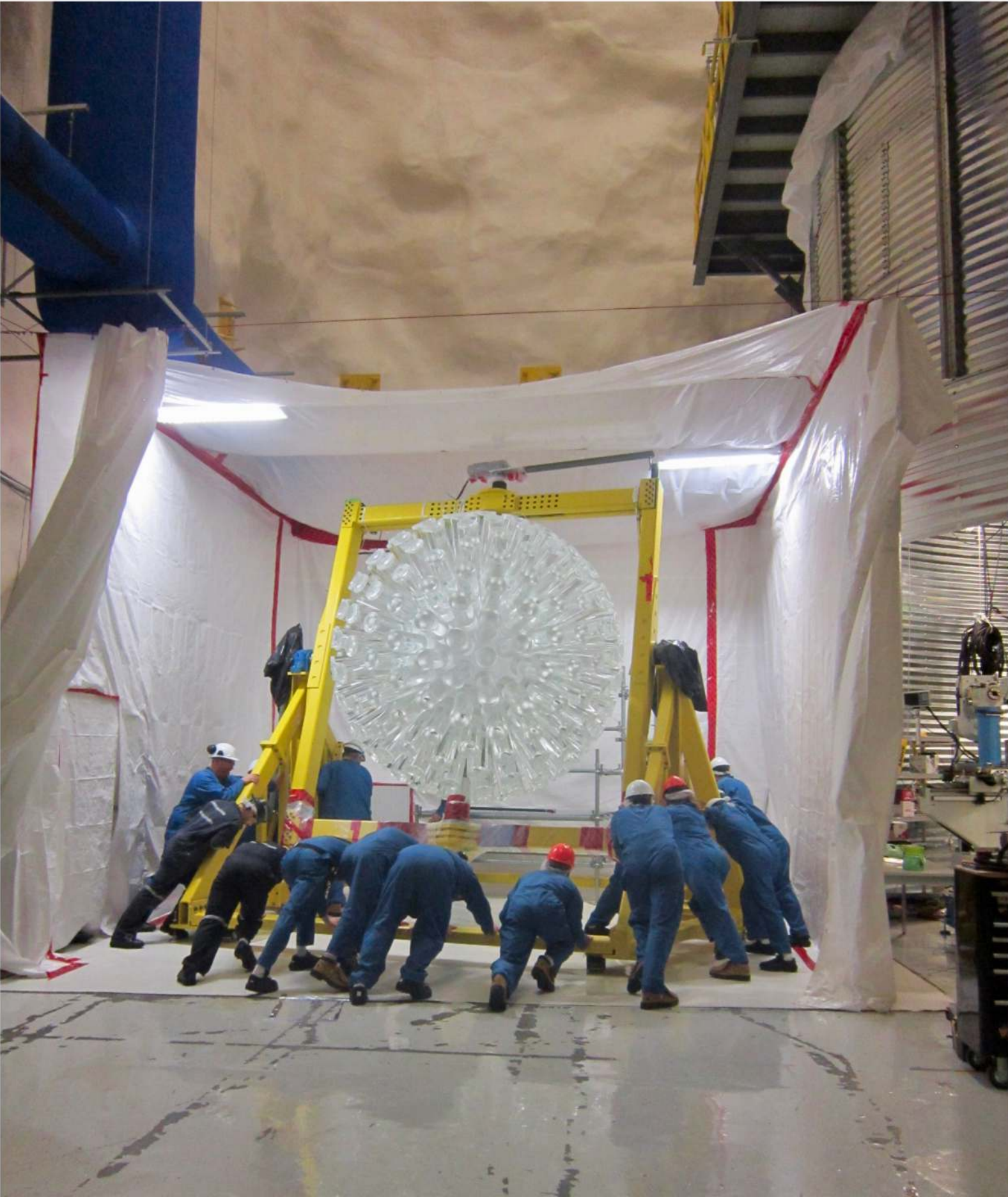






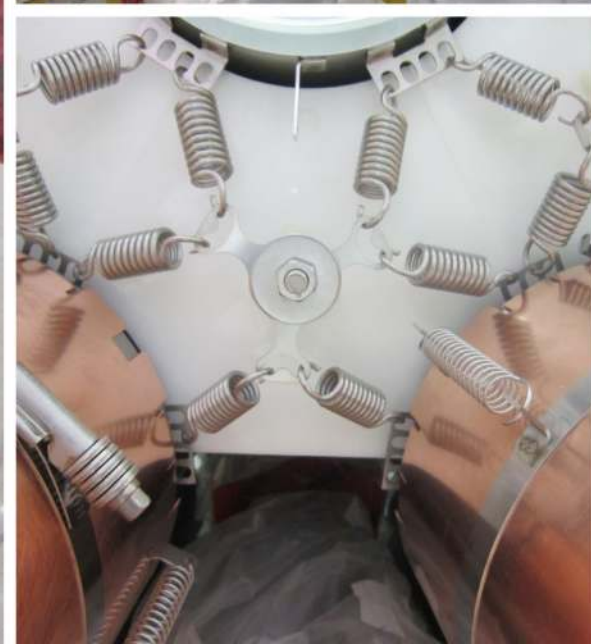


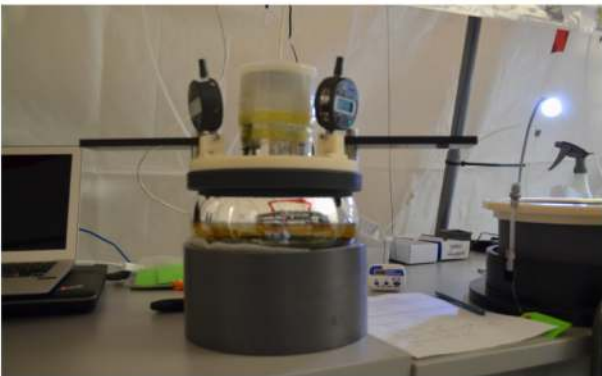




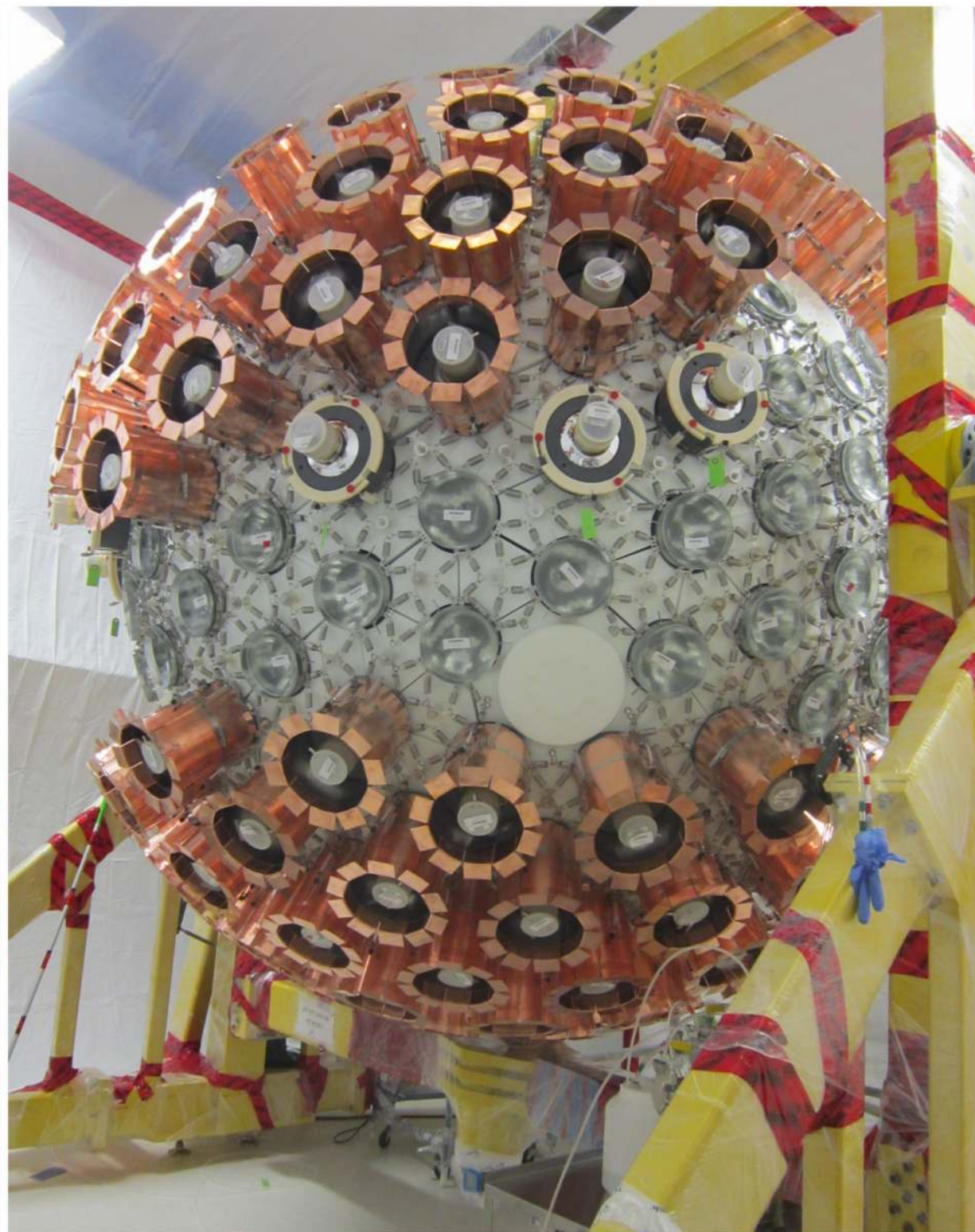




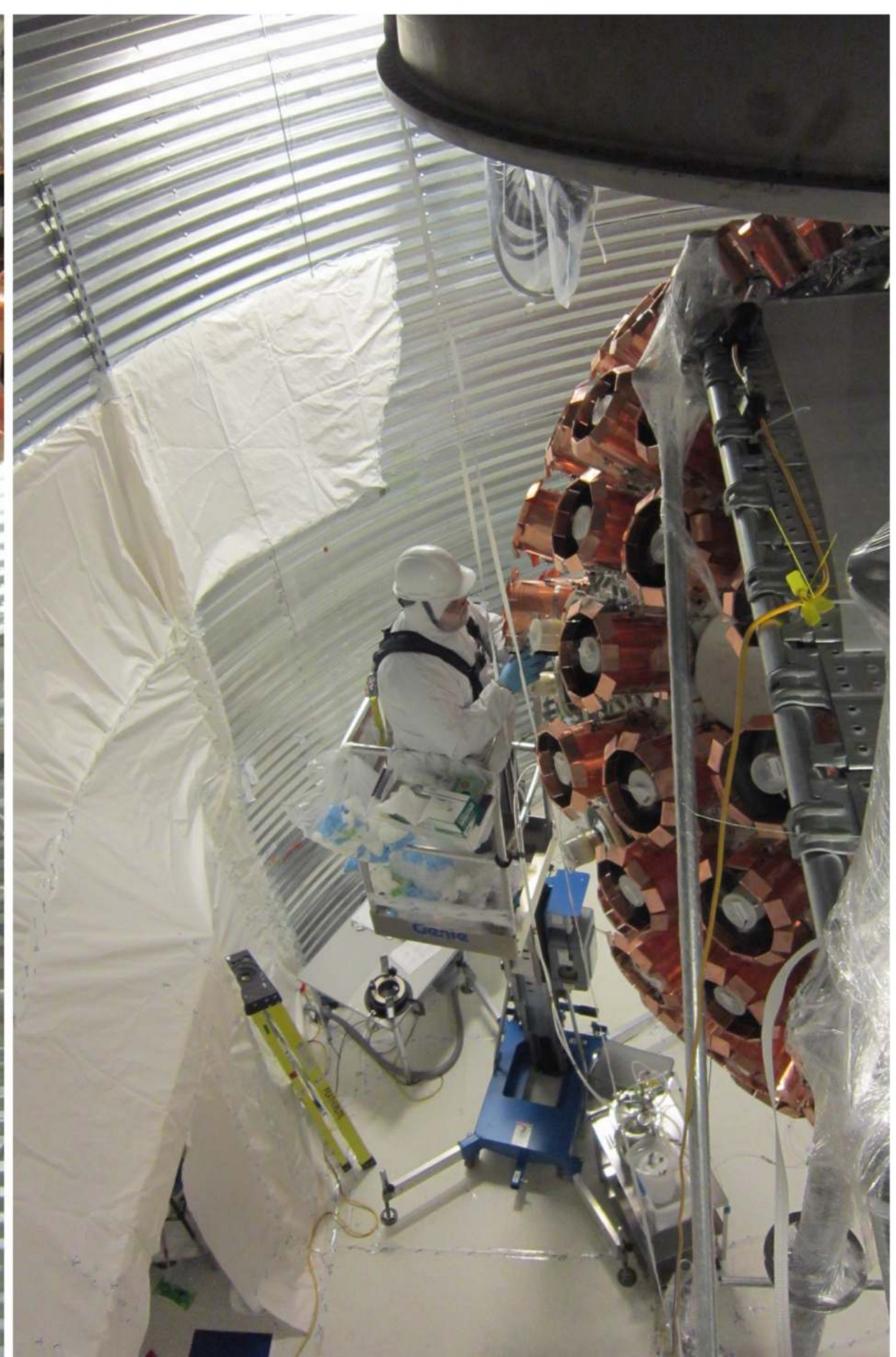
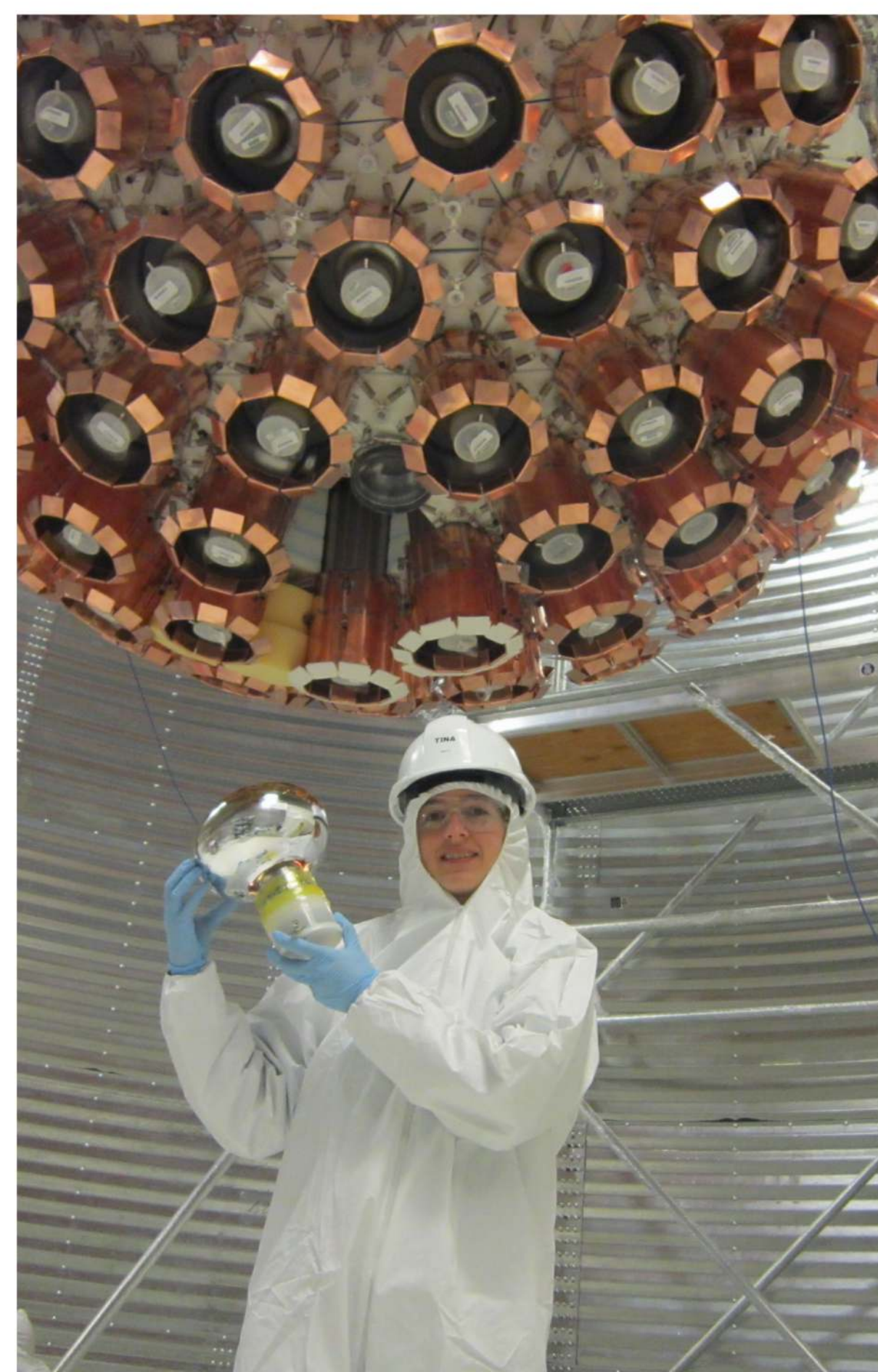


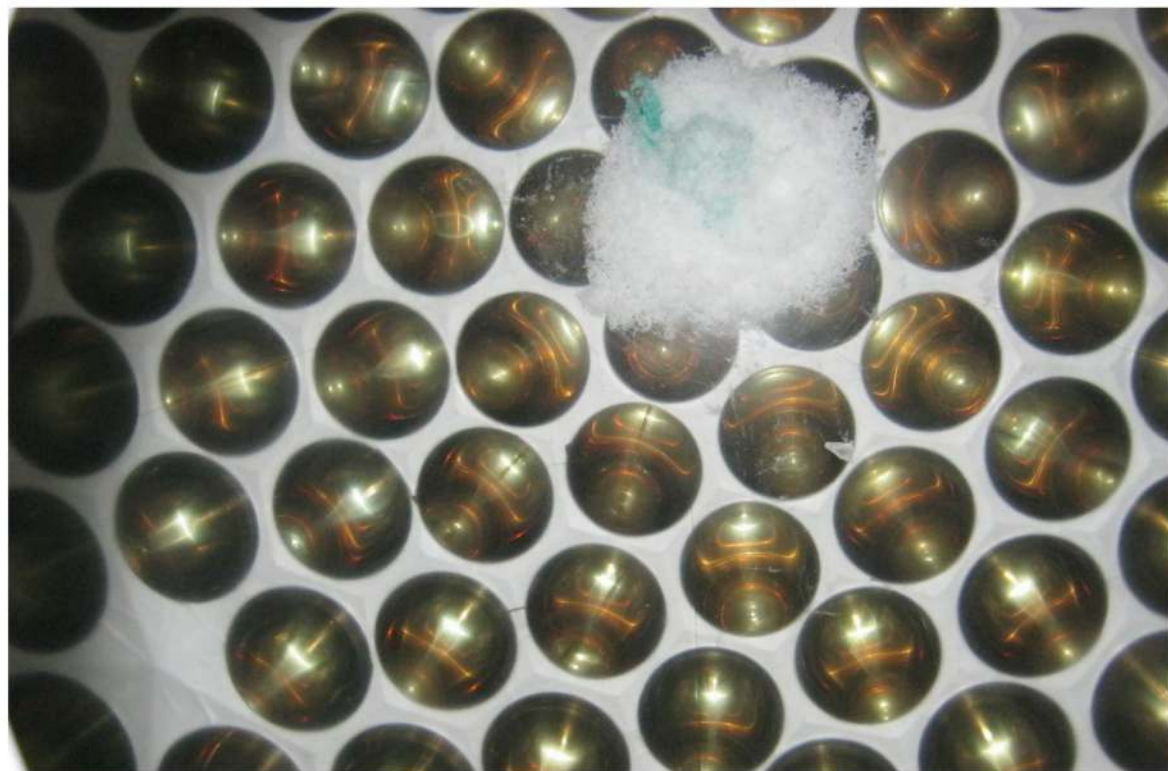
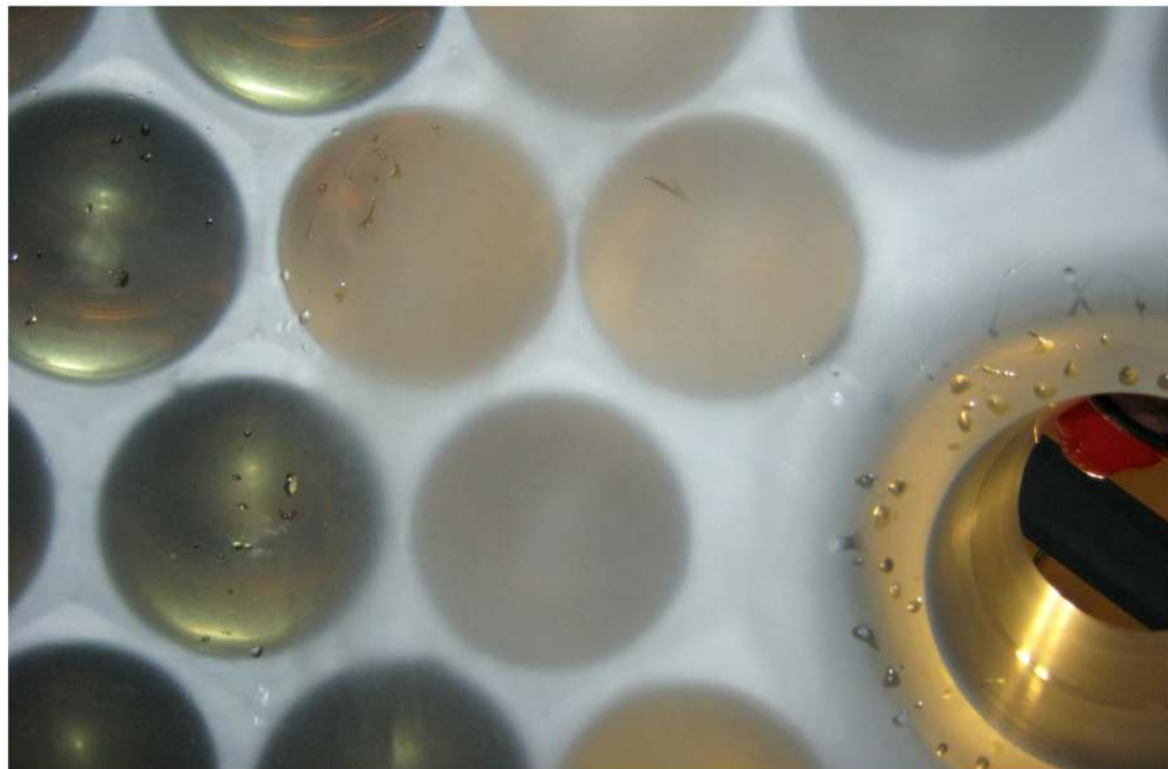
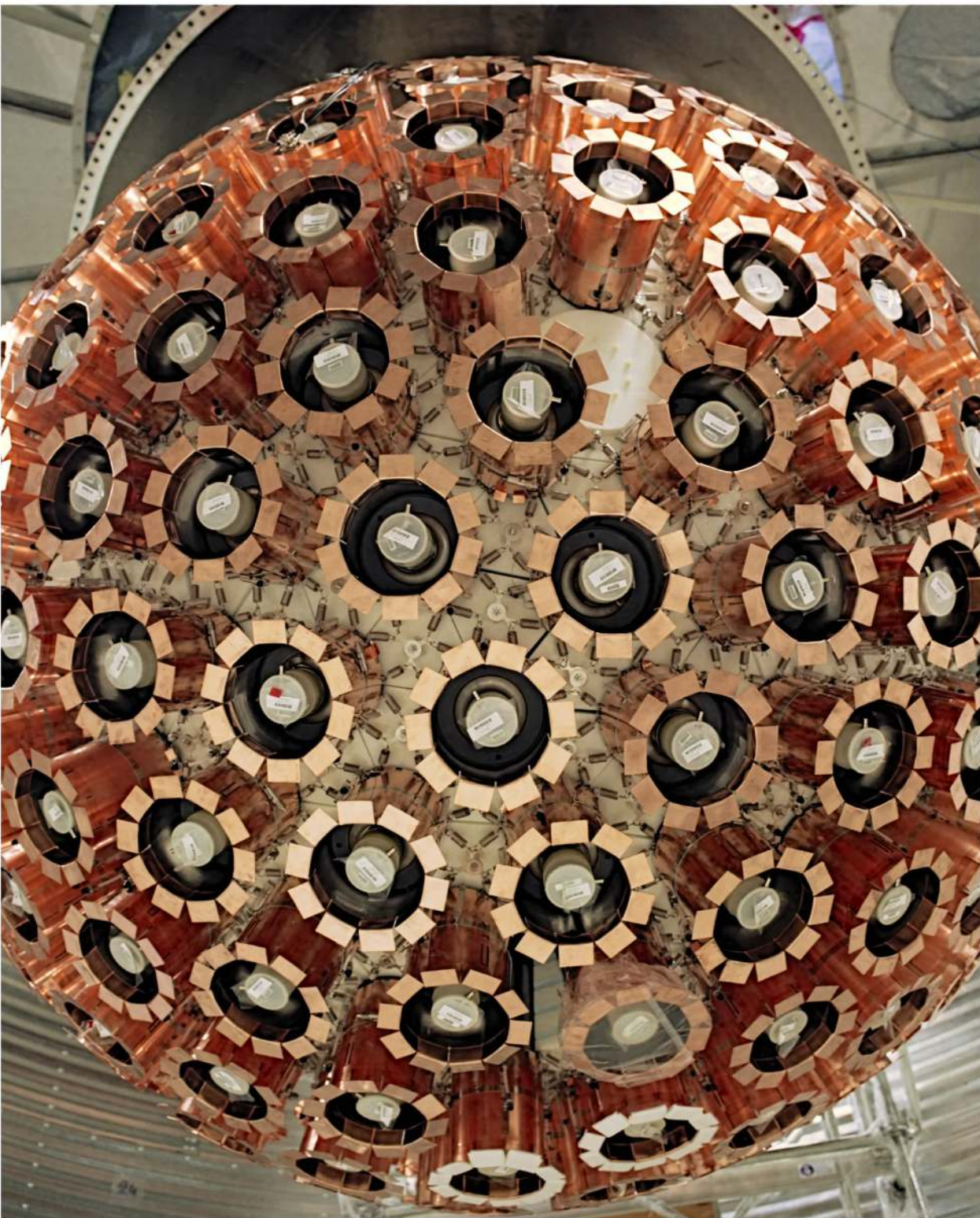




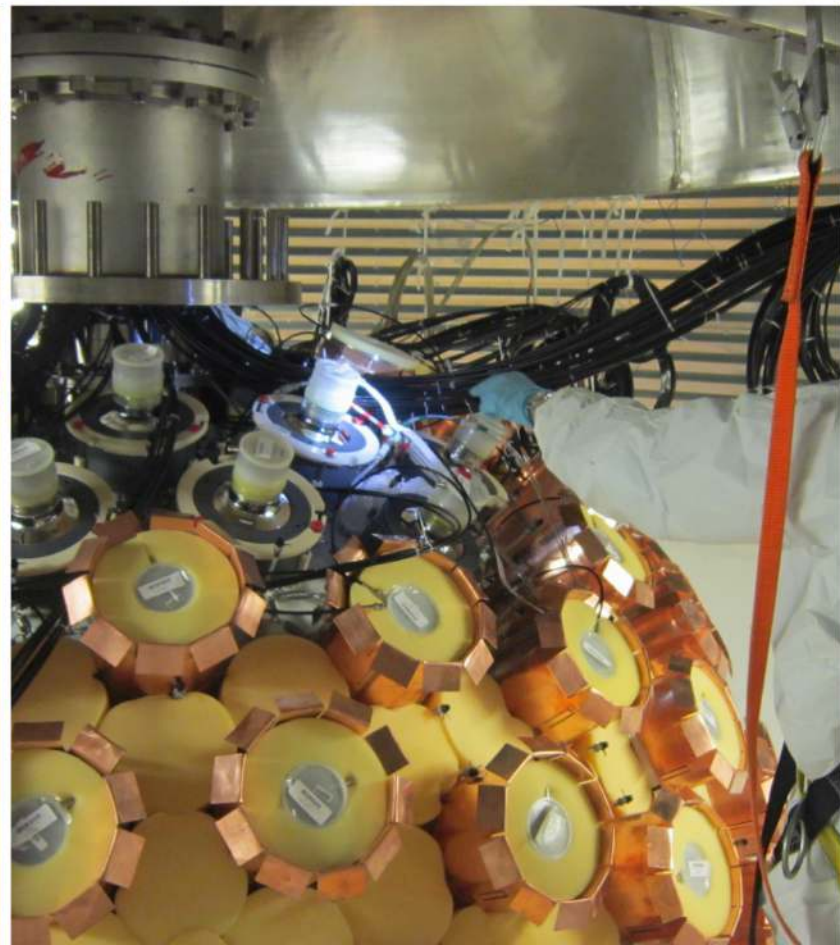
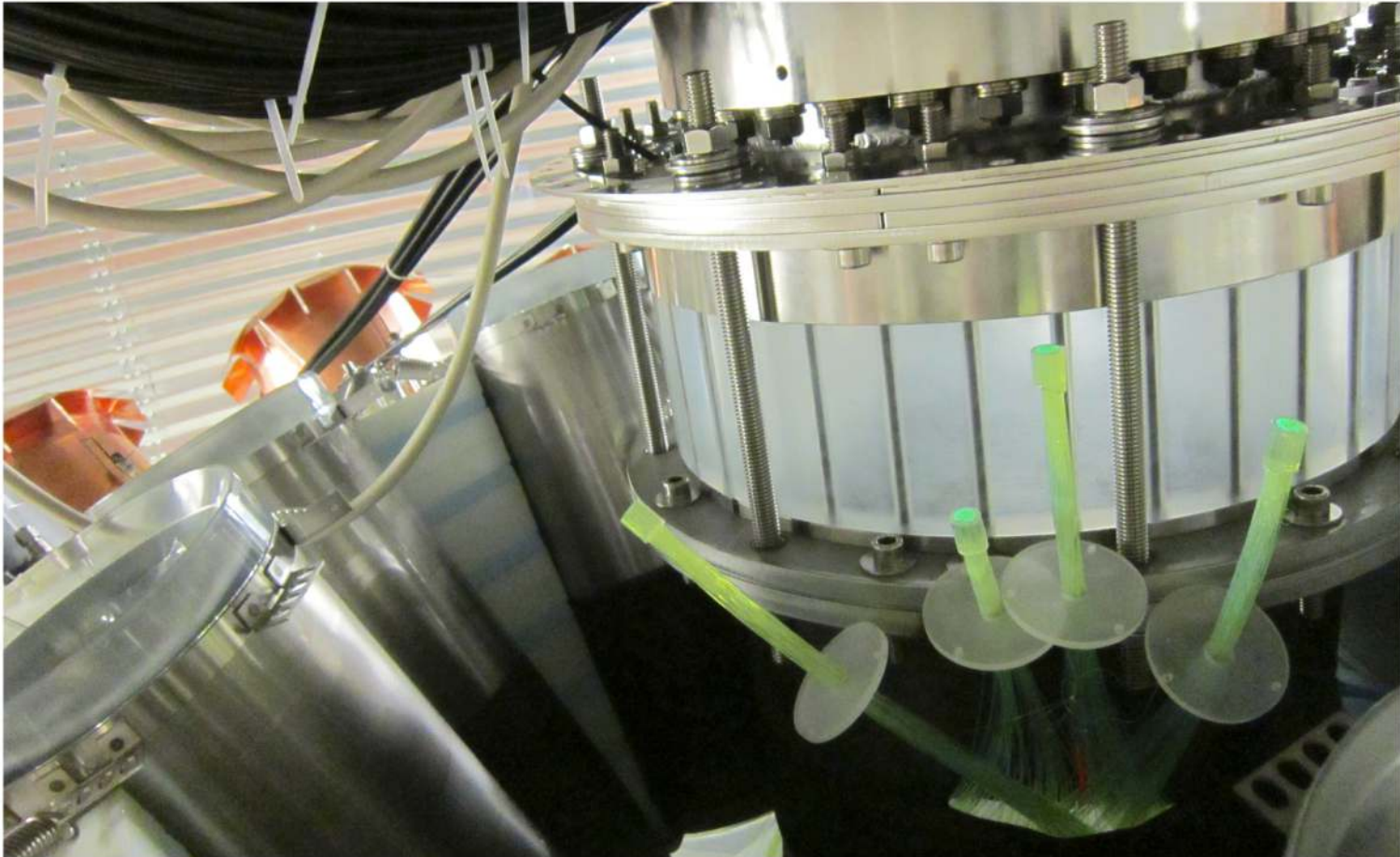




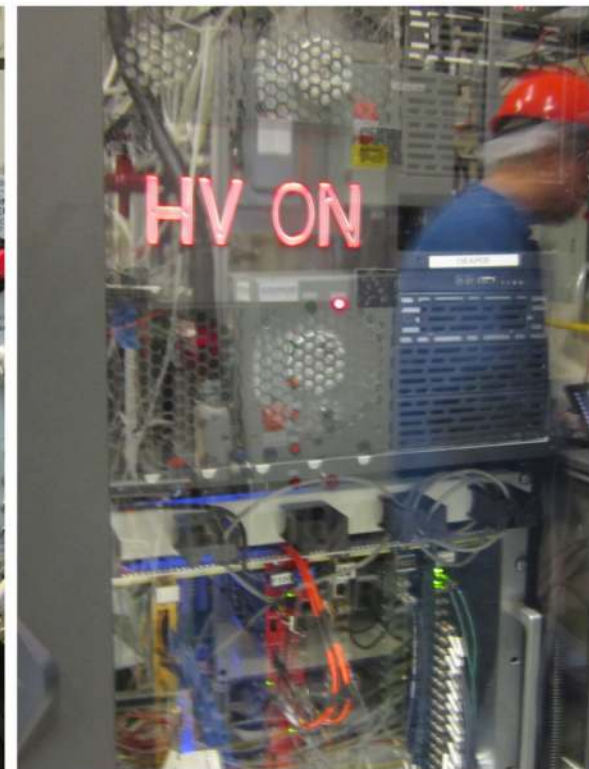


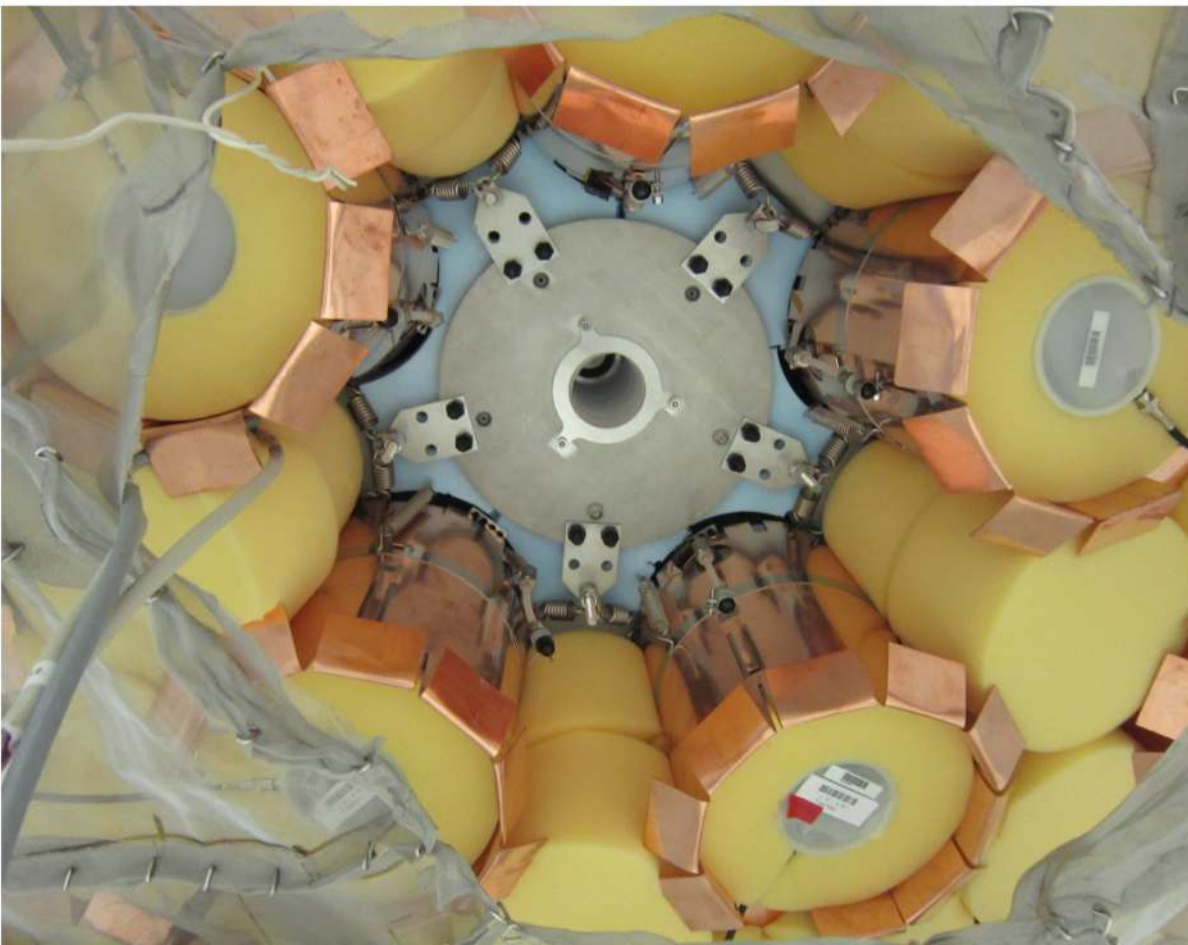


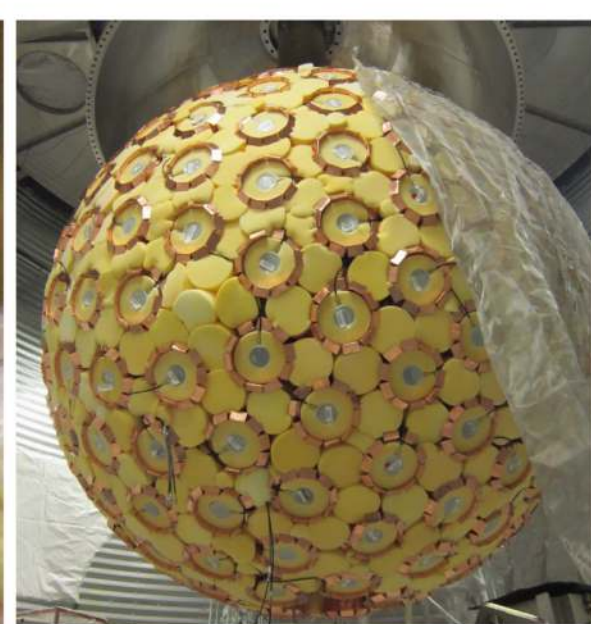


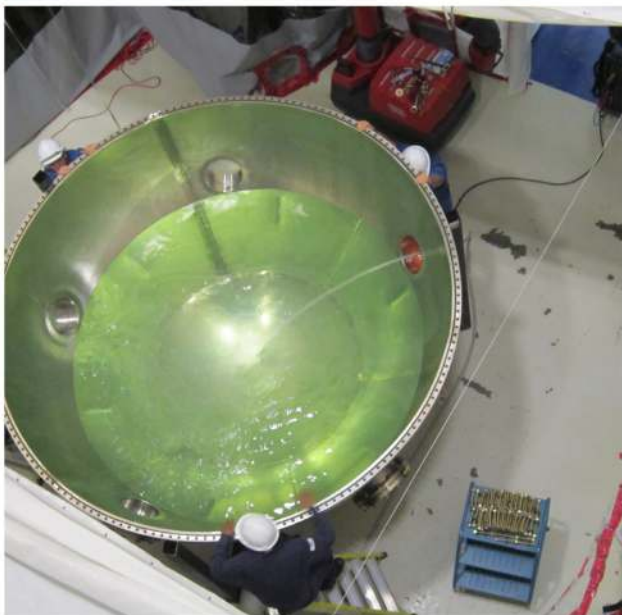








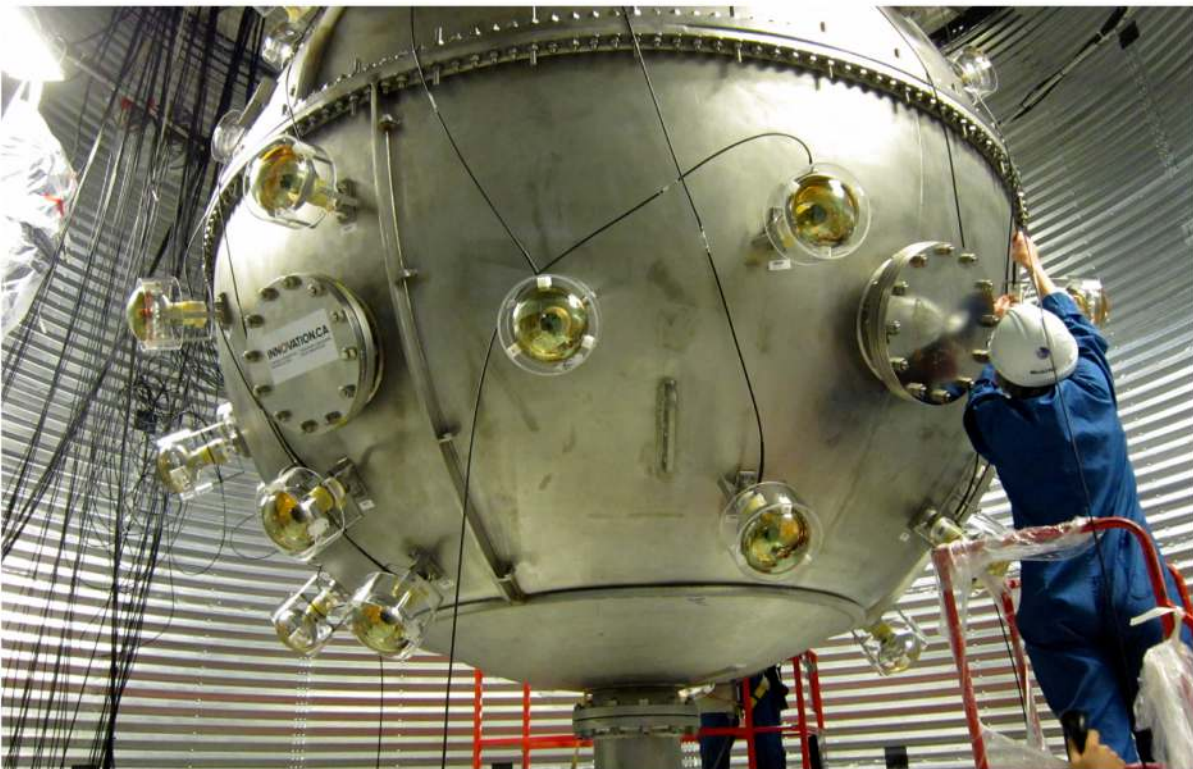


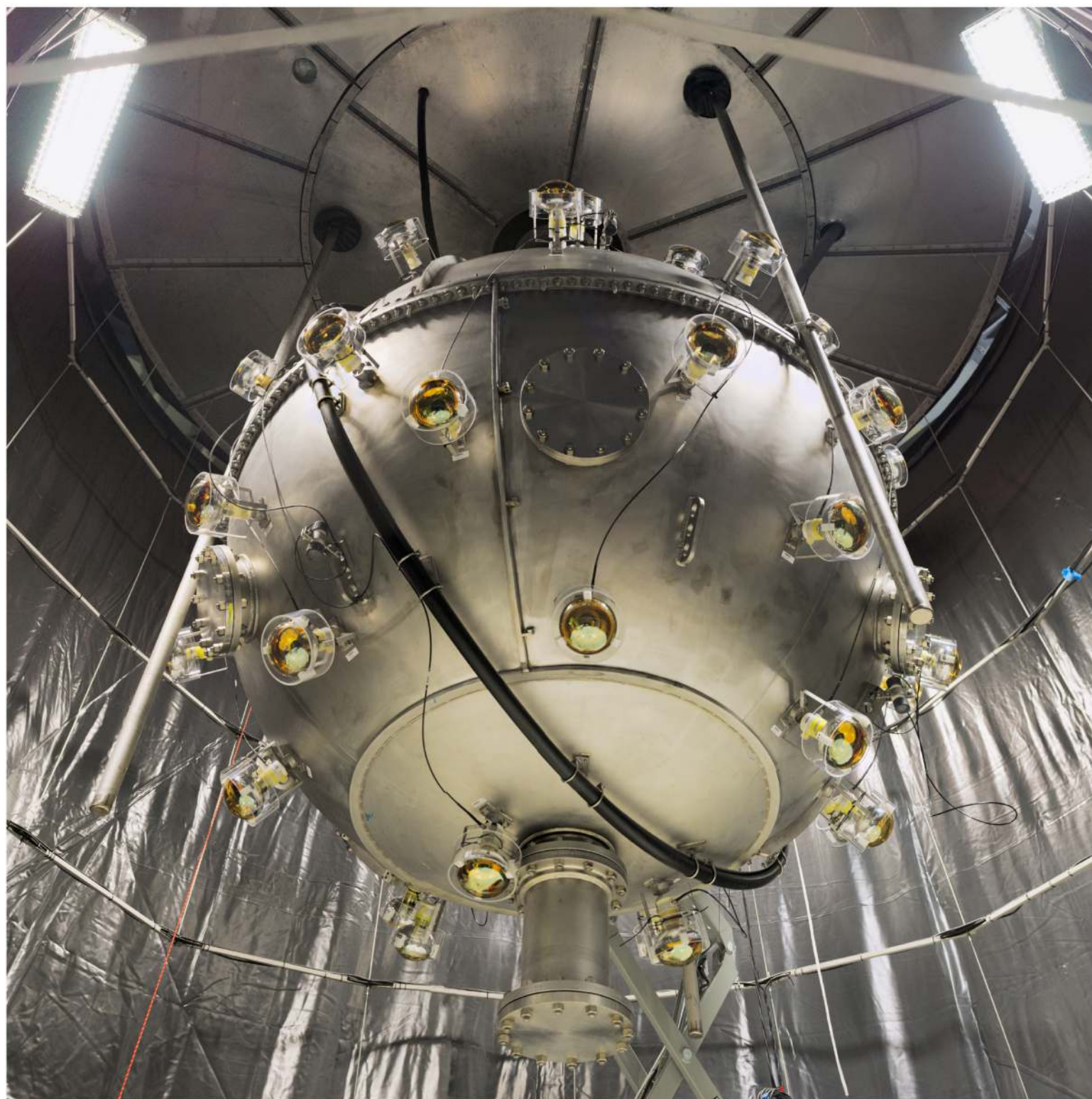


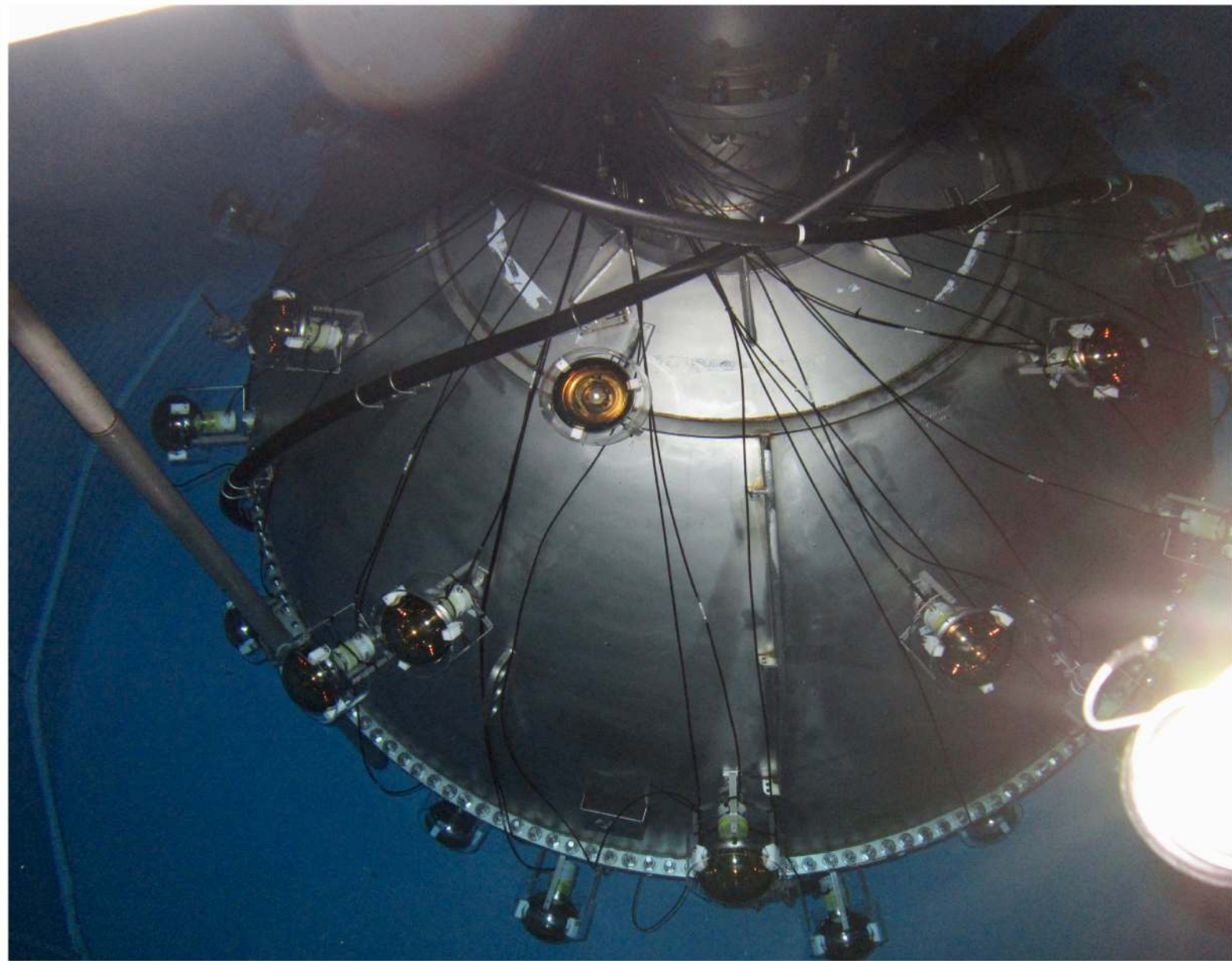




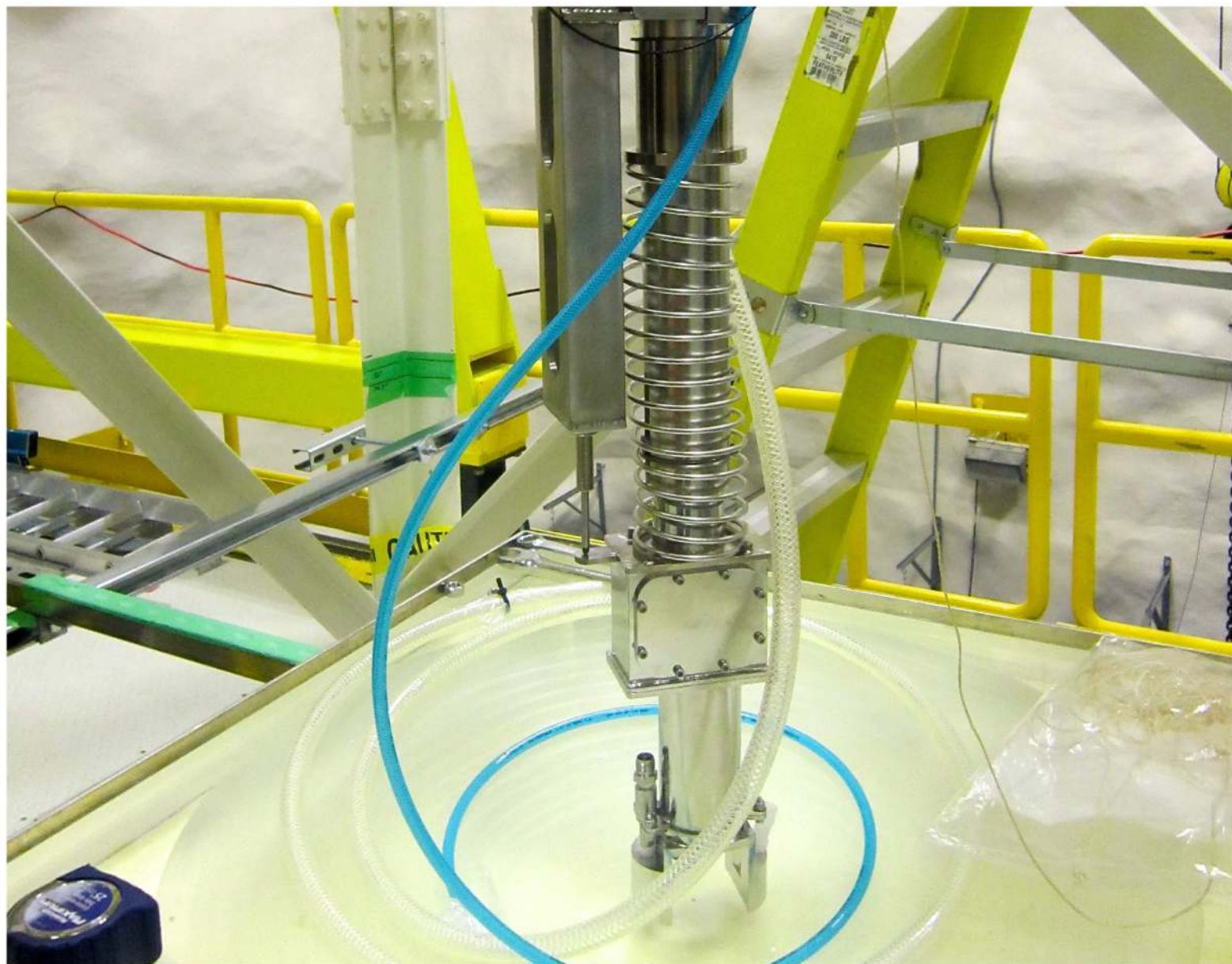


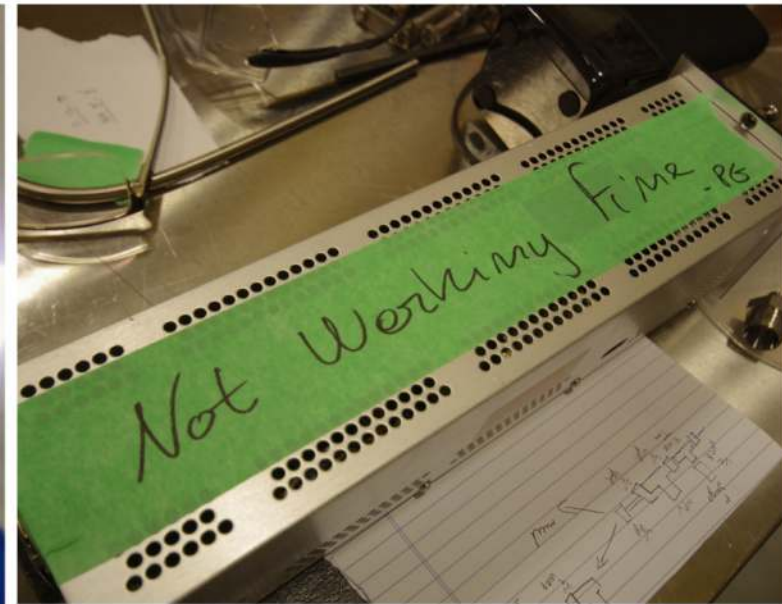


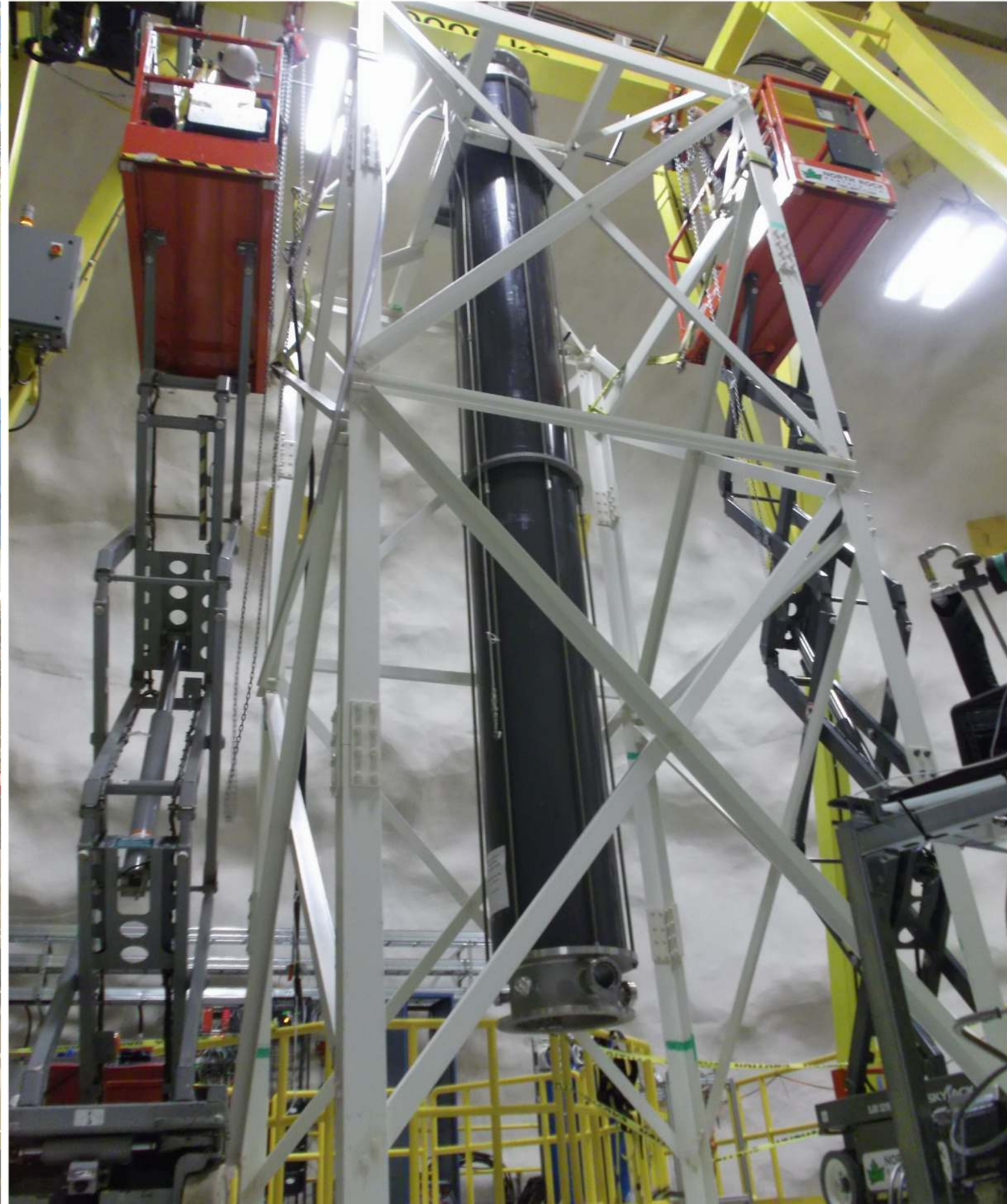
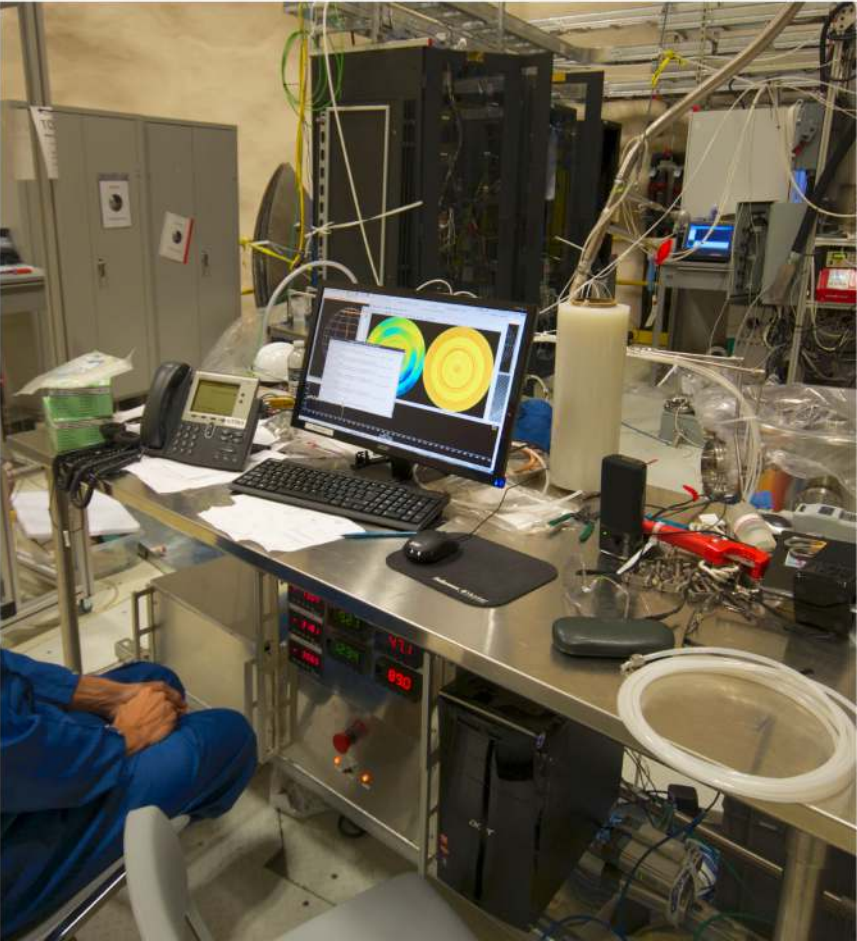


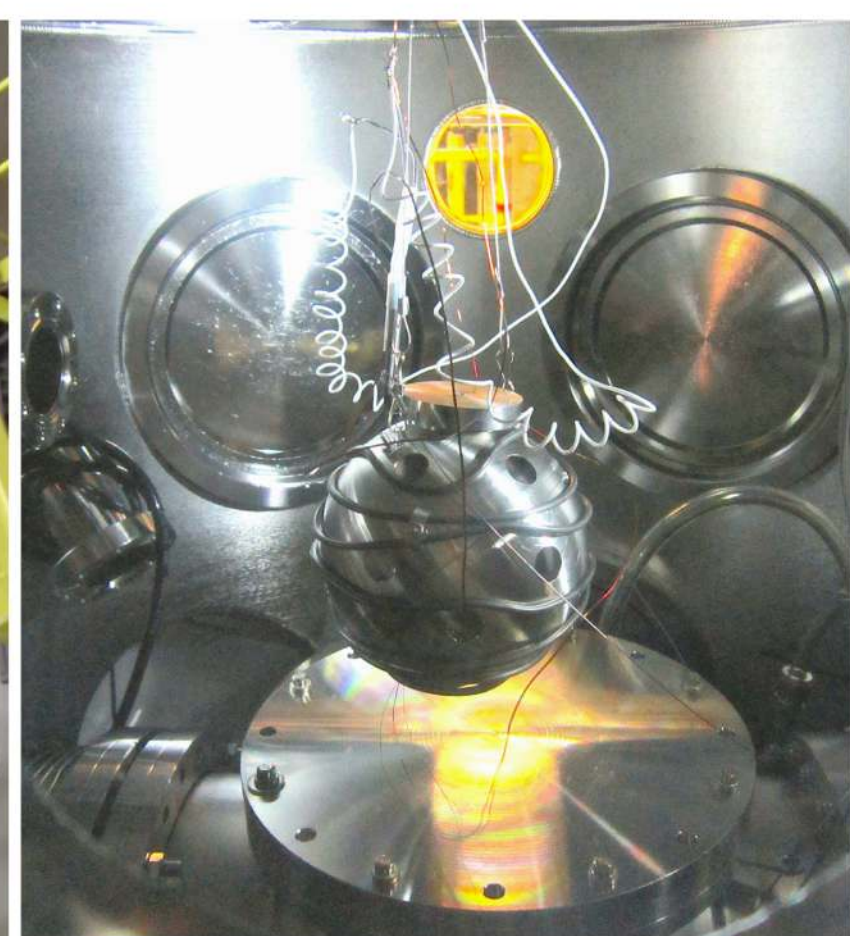




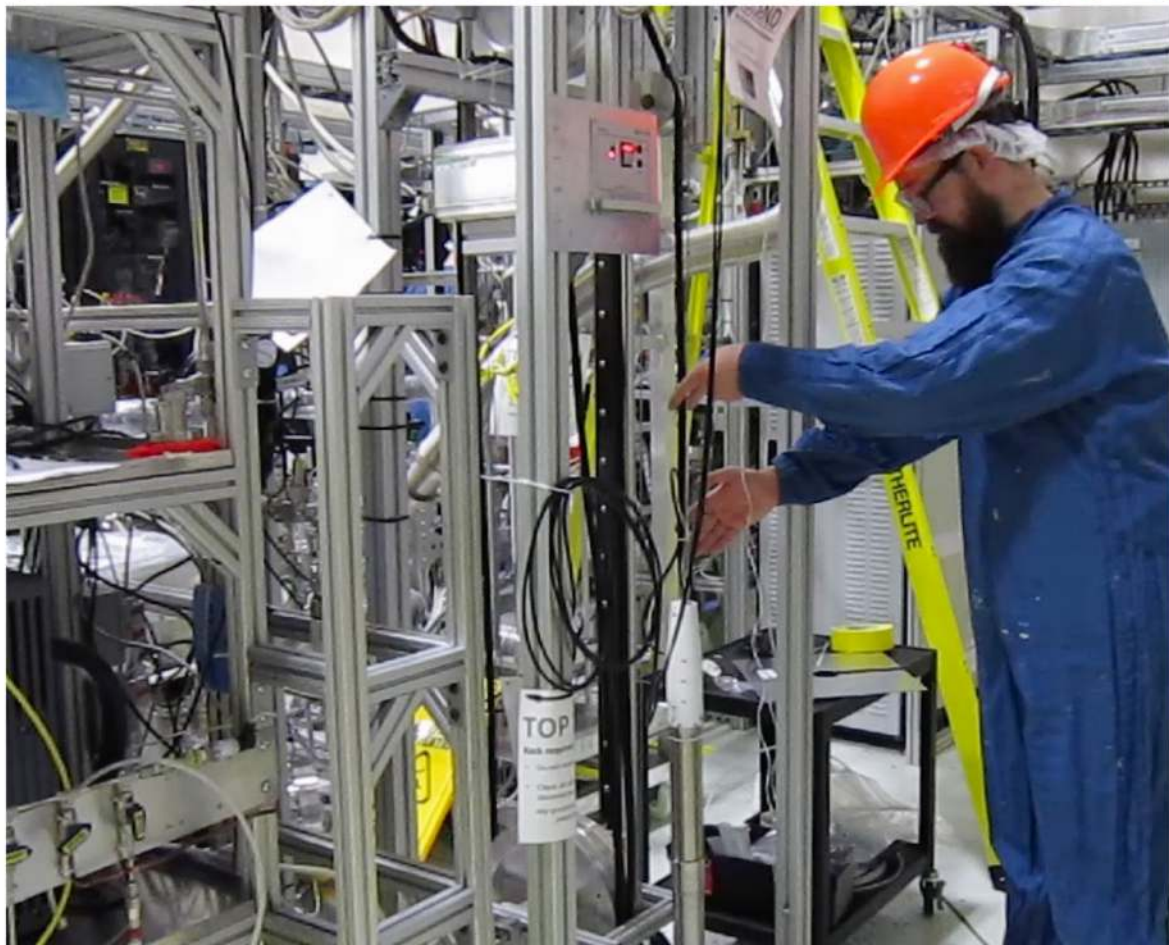
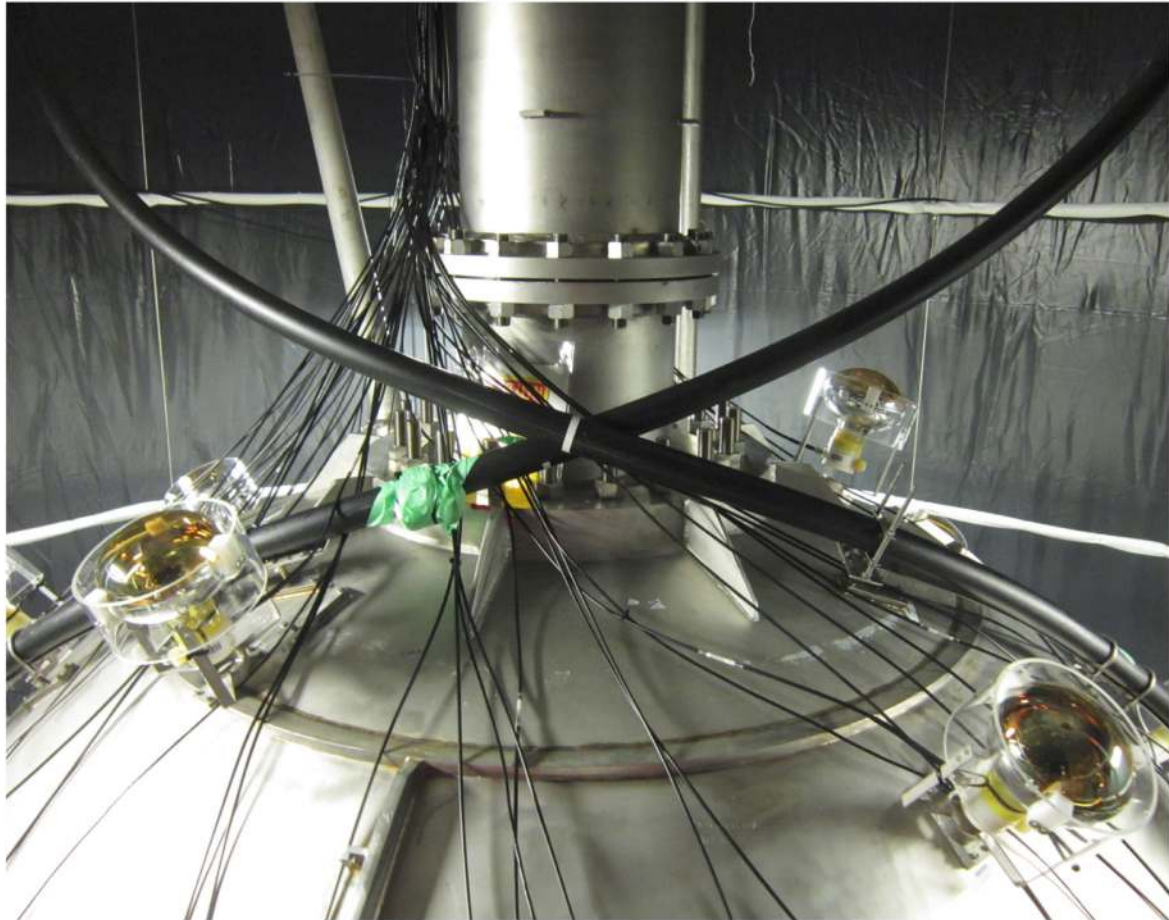


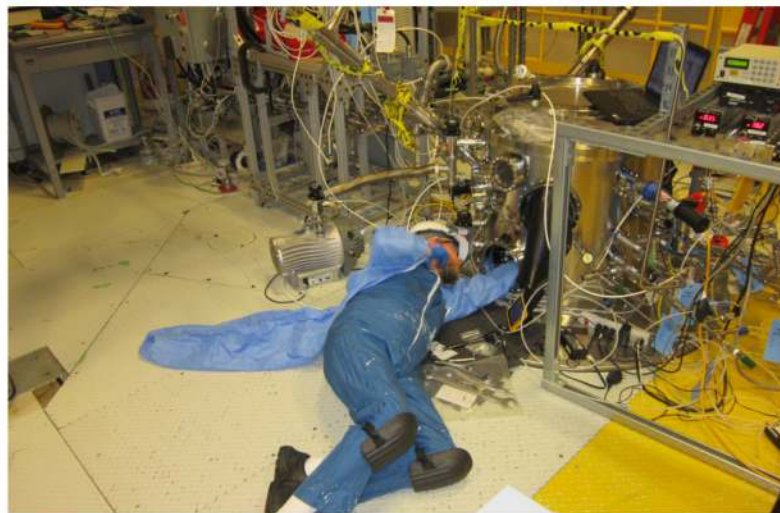
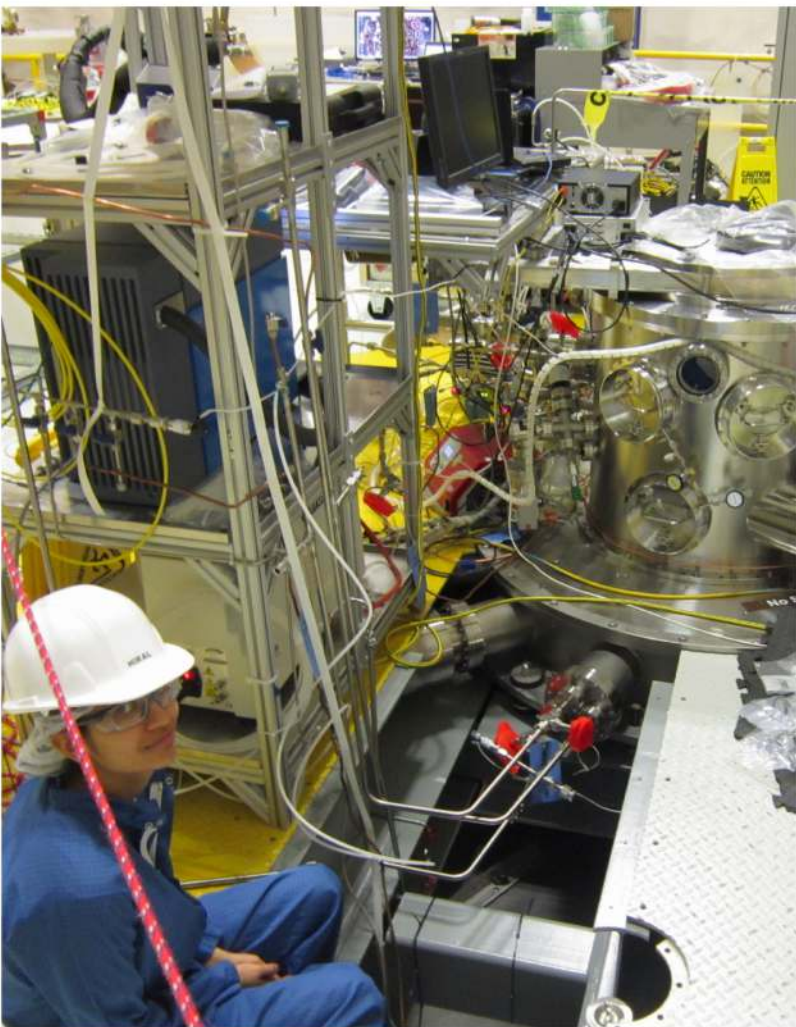
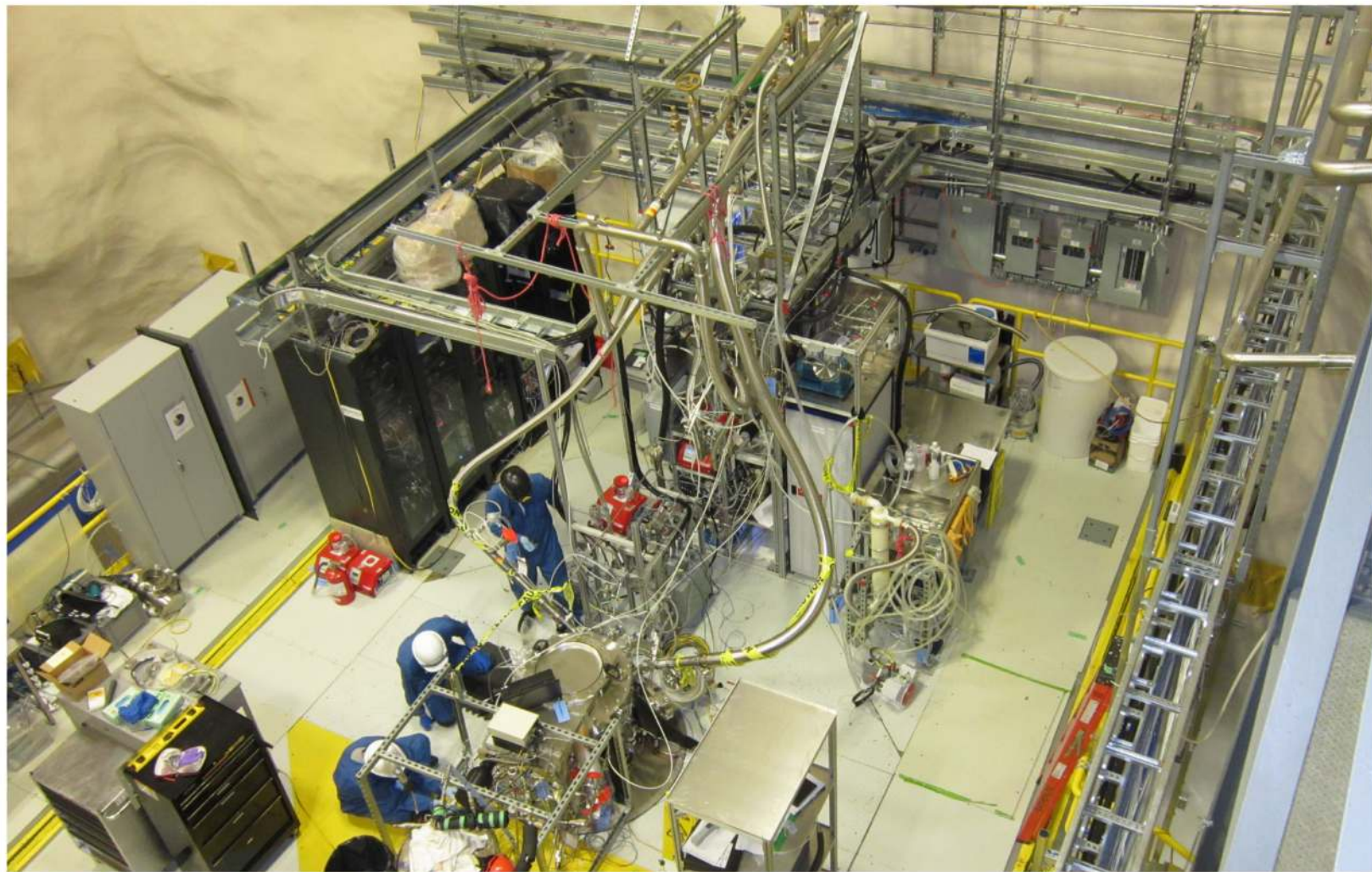




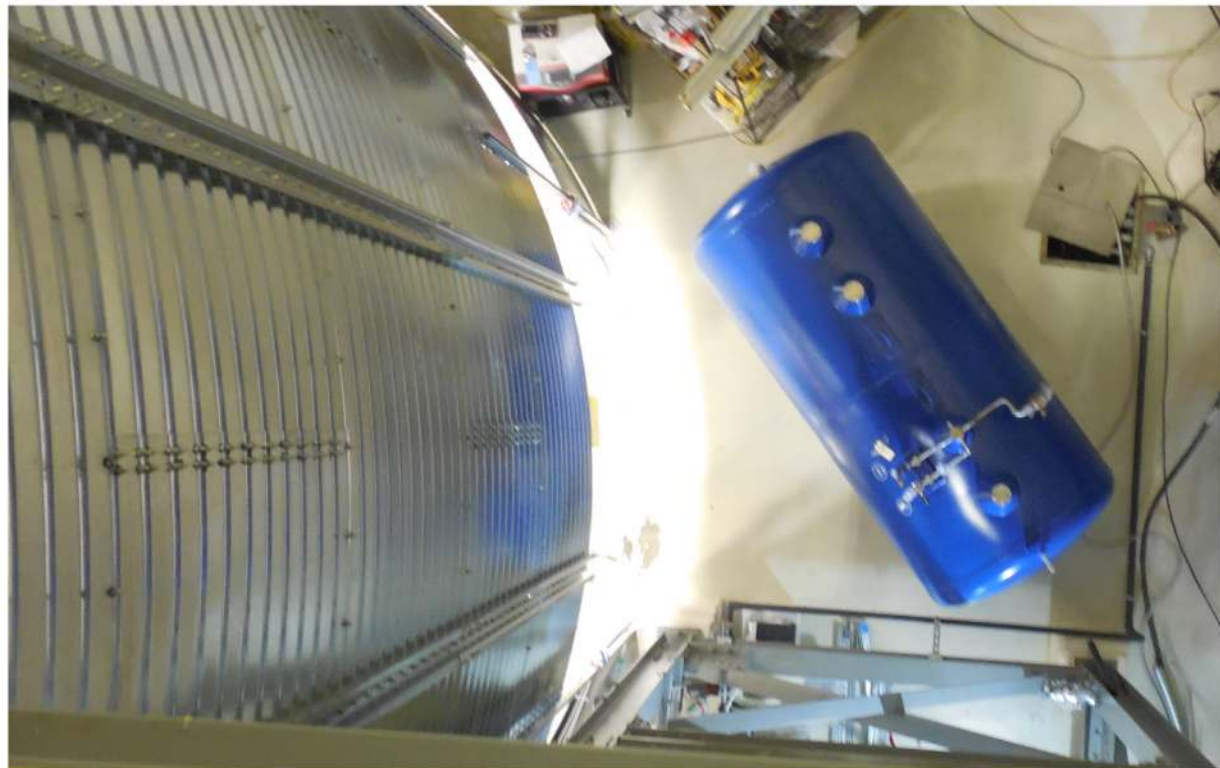
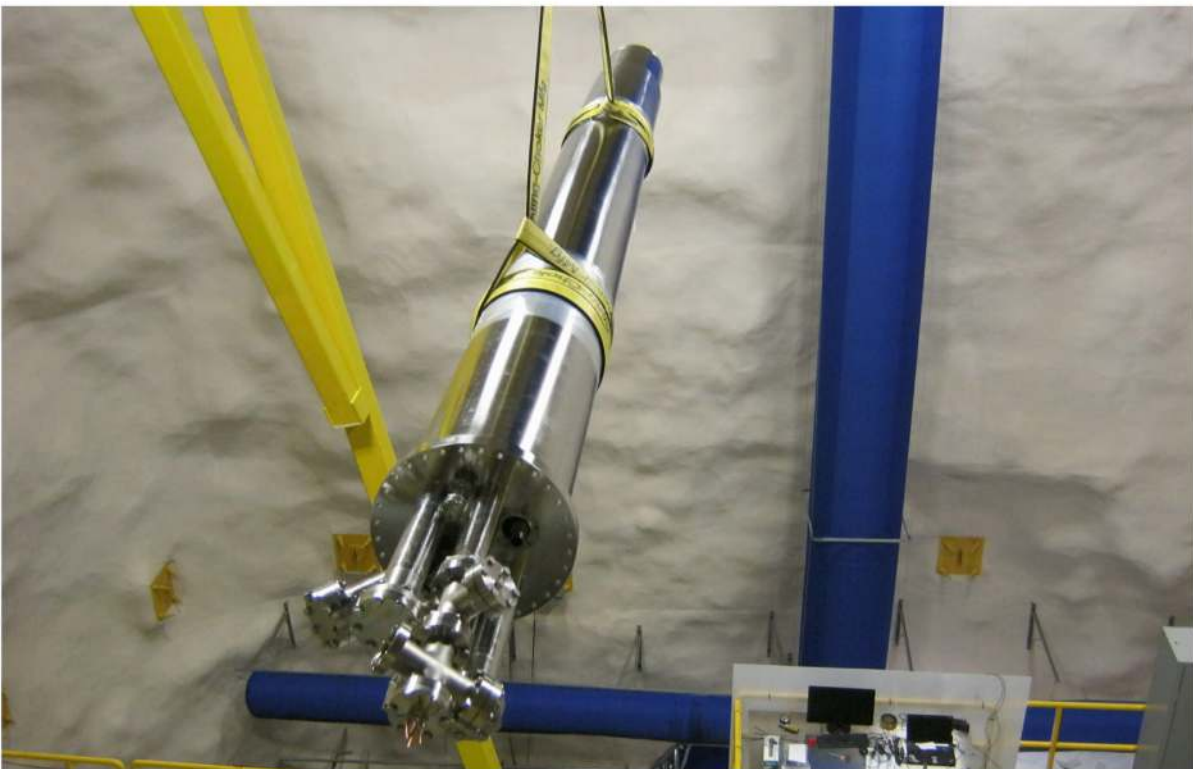






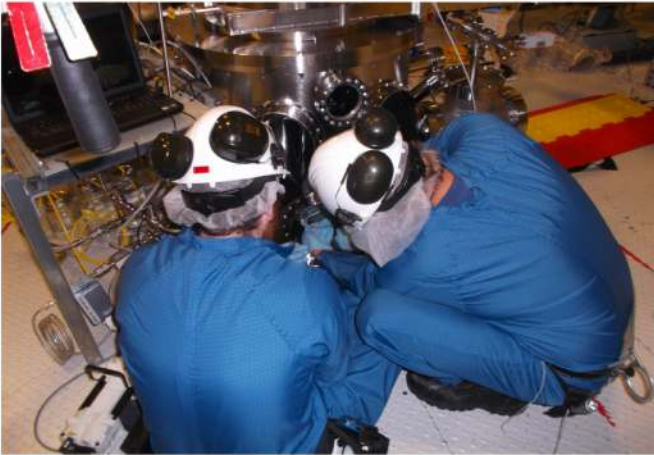














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