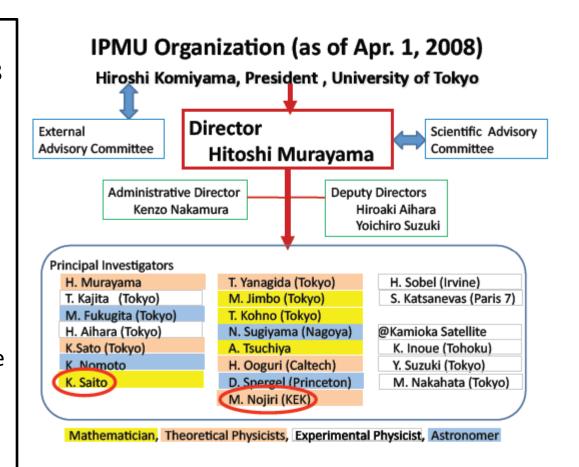




FY2007 IPMU Progress Report

- •Launched on 10/1/2007
- •Director arrived on 1/1/2008
- Administrative director appointed on 10/16/2007
- Two new principal investigators added:
 - Kyoji Saito (Mathematics)
 - Mihoko Nojiri (Theoretical Physics)
- •20 principal investigators
 - •3 foreign researchers
 - •1 female rsearcher
- External Advisory Committee
 - •Formed with 8 well-respected scientists
 - •First meeting held on 3/13/2008



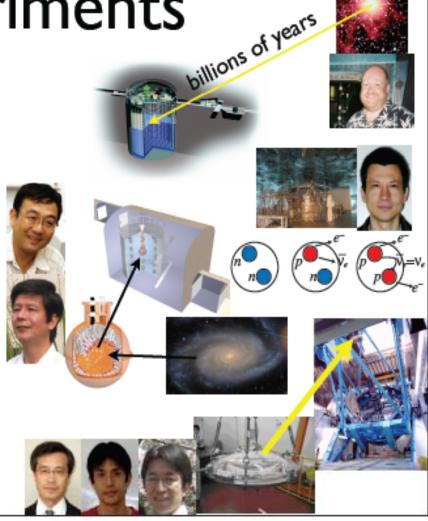
IPMU initiatives in experiments

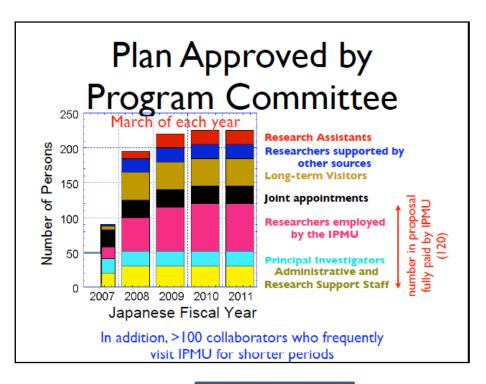
 Vagins: let SuperK detect neutrinos from long past supernovae

 Kozlov: use KamLAND to see if V=V?

 Suzuki/Nakahata:XMASS to detect dark matter

 Aihara/Takada/Yoshida: leadership in designing new camera at Subaru and data analysis to study dark energy







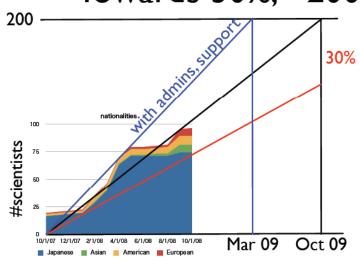
On Track

		Proposed	Achieved	Proposed
Number of staffs	Oct 07	Mar 08	Mar 08	Ultimate
Researchers	20	68	65	195
Japanese	15	54	49	126
Non-Japanese	5	14	16	69
Support & admin	3	20	17	30
Total	23	88	82	225

World-wide search

- •562 applicants, 414 non-Japanese
- Secured 18 postdocs, 13 non-Japanese





Points specified as needing improvement	Effort to improve them and results		
1. It should be confirmed that Dr. Murayama will return to the University of Tokyo in January 2008 and will work for the project as its full-time director, as stated in the hearing process.	1. Professor Murayama has returned to the University of Tokyo in January 2008 and has been working since as its full-time director		
2. Expansion of the participation of female researchers is needed. Also, inclusion of Asian scientists should be more actively pursued.	2. Mihoko Nojiri (KEK) is a new female PI. Also five Asian postdocs were secured. A workshop for Asian mathematicians and mathematical physicists was convened.		
3. More clearly established collaboration (promises) from major experimental partners – LHC, Subaru, neutrino group, should be planned.	3. A satellite is being built on the Kamioka site to facilitate close collaboration with ICRR, Tokyo and RCNS, Tohoku. Hired new faculty members active in neutrino & Subaru. Added a new PI on LHC theory.		
4. Co-locating the mathematicians and theoretical physicist is necessary for the success envisioned for the project – it should be planned. In addition, to such co-location, explicit plans for breaking down intellectual barriers to be put in place.	4. Two mathematics PI and all new mathematics hires are now in Kashiwa. It is a big progress since the original proposal.		

Outline of Support and Special Exemption Measures to IPMU by the University (IPMU as a special district)

Organization that ensures top-down management of the Director

- (1) IPMU is directly attached to the Office of the President.
- (2) Important issues of IPMU are at the large discretion of the Director (employment of faculty members, decision on projects, etc.)

Enhanced Support to Foreign Researchers

- (1) Kashiwa International Office (various supports).
- (2) VISA Consulting Service
- (3) Exemption of some rules on existing guest houses for IPMU researchers.
- (4) Construction of Kashiwa International Guest House (ready in Apr. 2010)
- (5) Use of English as official language.
- (6*) Nursery school in Kashiwa campus

Financial Support

- (1) Construction of Institute research buildings. (ready In Sep., 2009; 20M US\$)
- (2) Support to the departments whose faculty members become IPMU PI's (300K US\$/year) (3*) Pre-fab. Buildings (2.4M US\$)

Flexible Employment/Salary System

- (1) Merit-based salary for project faculty members recruited from overseas and from outside of U. Tokyo.
- (2) Flexibility with the term of contract (usually 3 years, but up to 5 years + renewal)
- (3) Extension of retirement age (usually 65/60 years old for faculty/supporting staff)
- (4) Increased bonus at the discretion of the Director to faculty members with outstanding achievements.
- (5) Recruitment of support staff by U.Tokyo Internal competition.