




# CMB research at IAC: technological challenges and future needs

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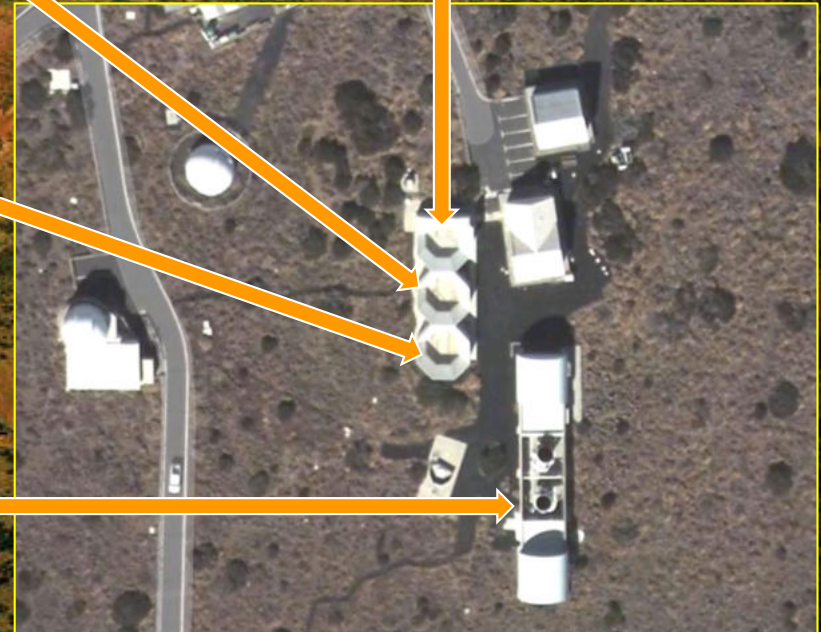
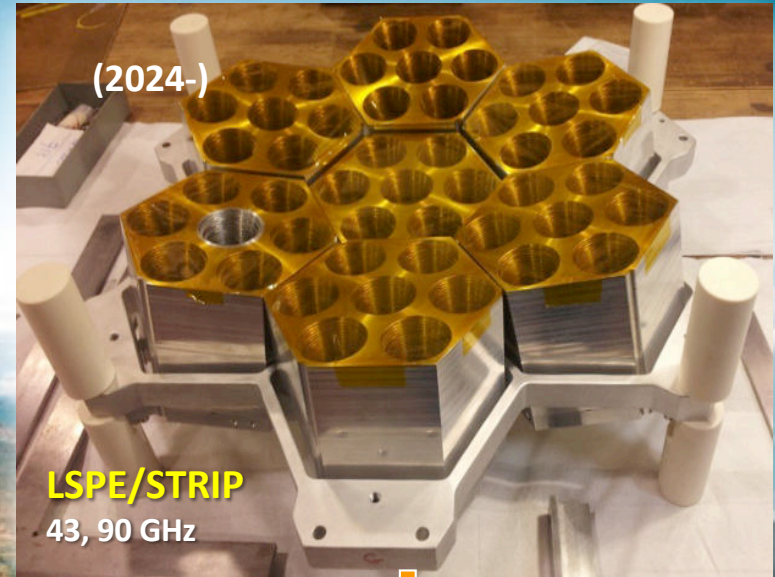
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# CMBLab Teide Observatory



# The QUIJOTE experiment

(Q-U-I JOint Tenerife Experiment, <http://research.iac.es/project/quijote> )

**QT-1 and QT-2:** Crossed-Dragone telescopes, 2.25m primary, 1.9m secondary.

**QT-1. Instruments: MFI, MFI2.**

11, 13, 17, 19 GHz. Bands=2GHz.

FWHM=0.93°-0.62°

MFI: 2012-18.

MFI2: 2023-

**QT-2. Instruments: TGI & FGI**

30 and 40 GHz. Bands=10GHz

FWHM=0.37°-0.28°

Commissioning 2018.

Observations re-started 2021.

**90GHz camera.**

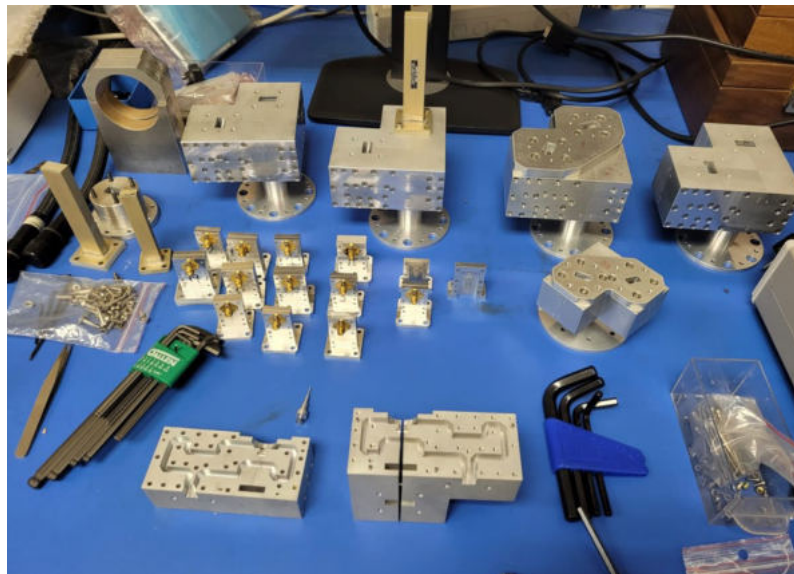
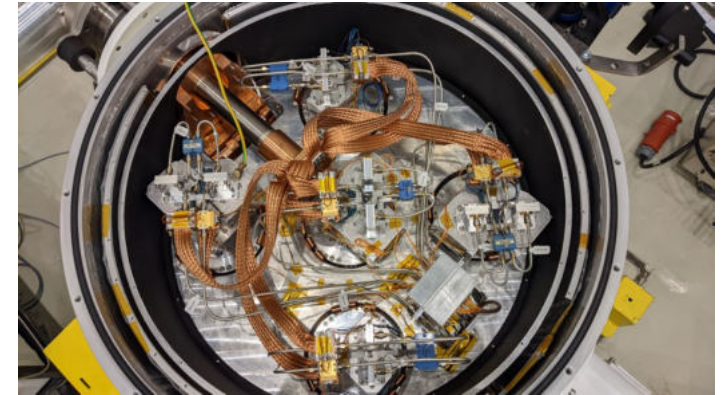
1500 detectors (KIDs).





## MFI2 Instrument (10-20 GHz)

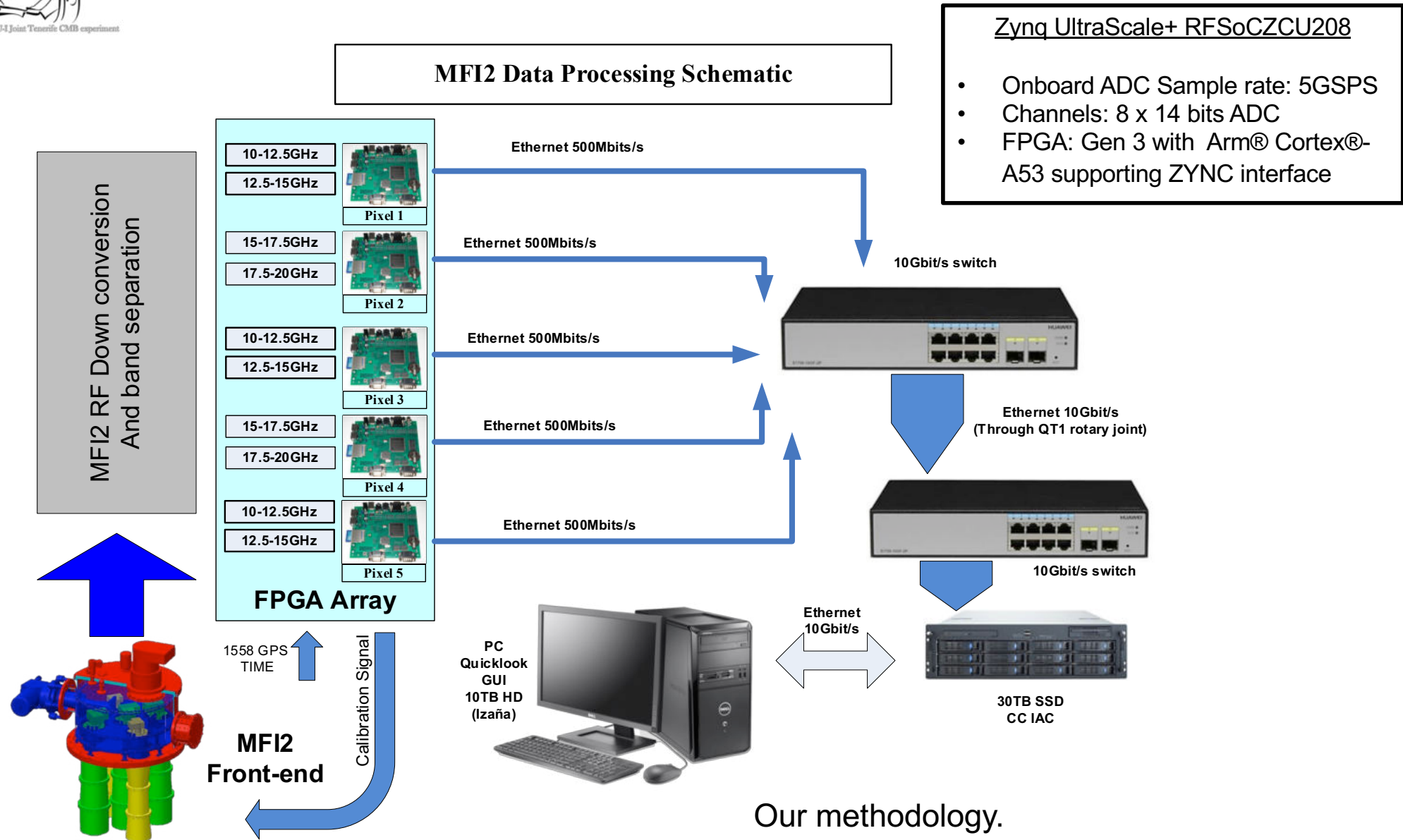
- ❖ **MFI upgrade (MFI2 @ QT-1)**. Aim: to increase the integration speed of the MFI by a factor 3.
- ❖ **5 horns**. Three covering the 10-14GHz band, and two covering 16-20GHz.
- ❖ **Full digital back-end (FPGAs)** → RFI removal (TV sats, Megaconstellations Starlink, OneWeb, Kuiper).
- ❖ **Status**: Commissioning with old MFI DAS in the next few months. New DAS (FPGA based) for mid 2024.
- ❖ **Operations**: 3 effective years.



(Hoyland et al. 2022, SPIE)



# FPGA based Data Acquisition Systems (MFI2)



Zynq UltraScale+ RFSocZCU208

- Onboard ADC Sample rate: 5GSPS
- Channels: 8 x 14 bits ADC
- FPGA: Gen 3 with Arm® Cortex®-A53 supporting ZYNQ interface

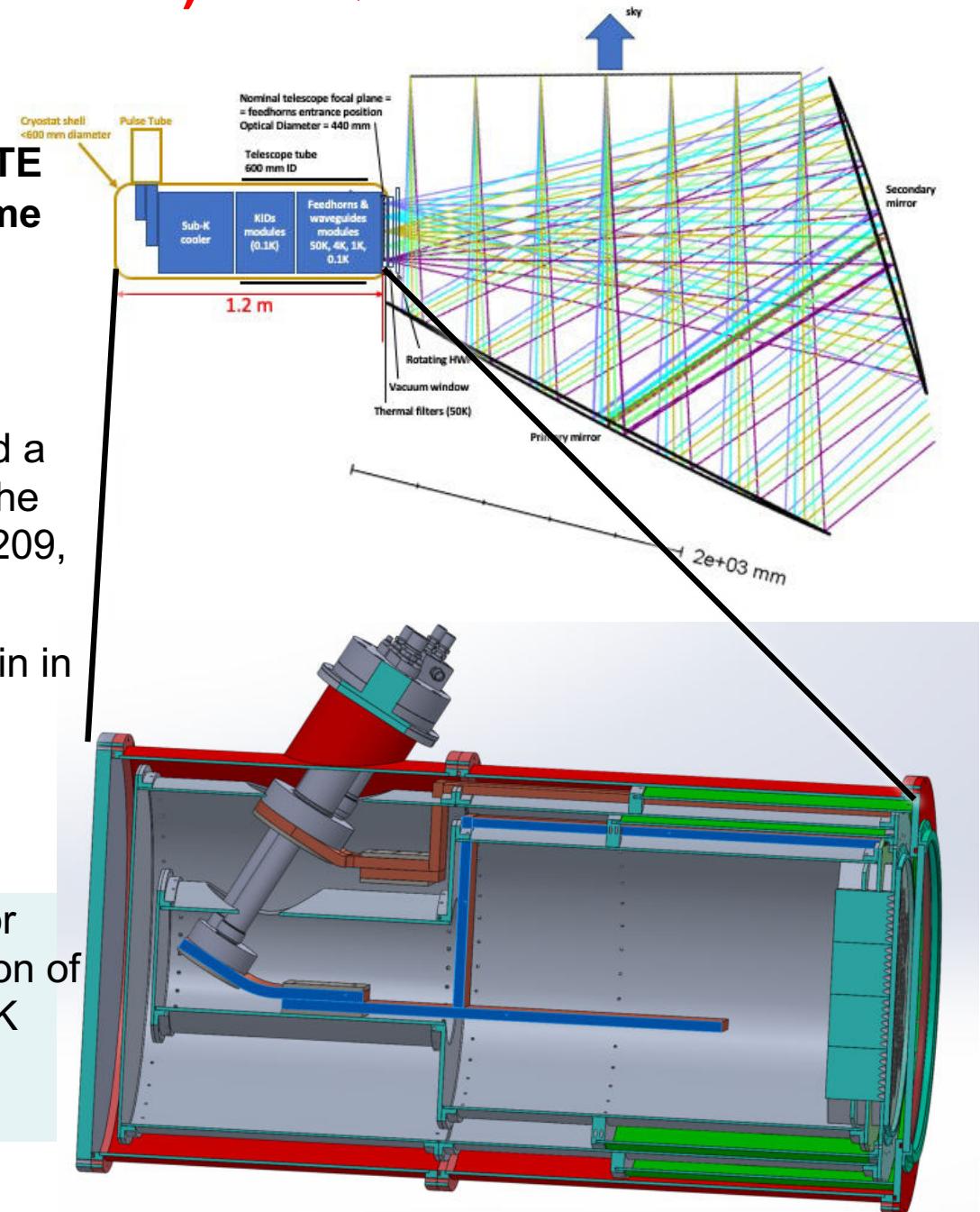
Our methodology.

- PYNQ (open-source project from AMD).
- Python language and libraries.



## W-band camera (85-110 GHz) for QUIJOTE

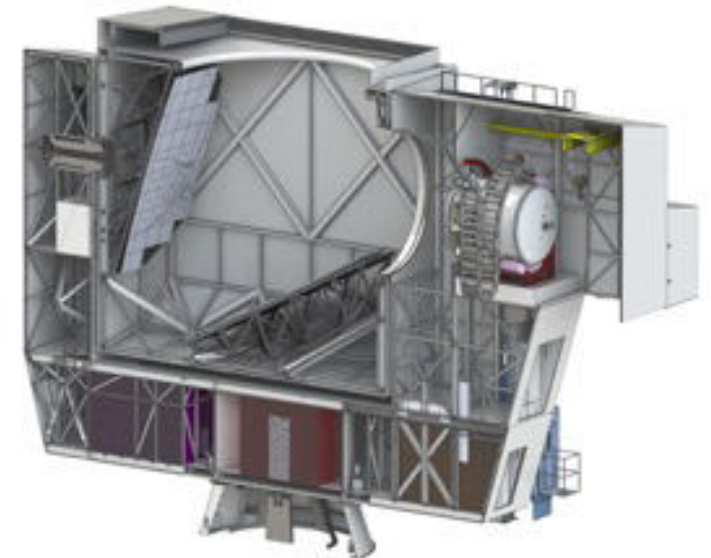
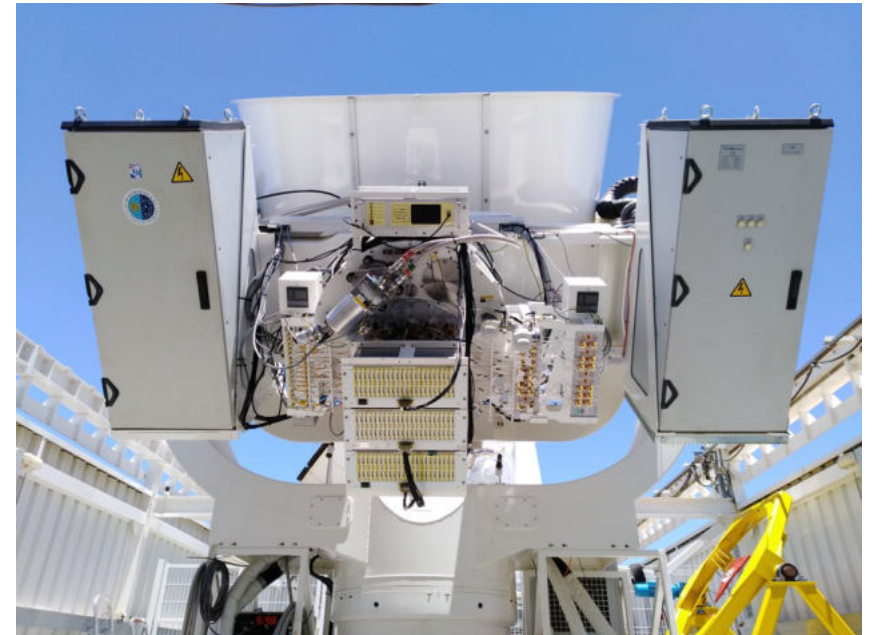
- ❖ Scientific collaboration between QUIJOTE nodes (IAC, IFCA) and University of Rome La Sapienza: 90GHz camera.
  - ❖ To be used in QUIJOTE QT-2, or larger telescope.
  - ❖ The Sapienza team has recently developed a 400 KIDs W-band camera (MISTRAL) for the Sardinia Radio Telescope (Paiella & JLTP 209, 889 (2022)).
  - ❖ **Aim:** to reach a survey depth of 4 uK.arcmin in 2000 sq.deg after 2 years of integration.
  - ❖ **KIDs.** 1400 detectors (dual polarization).
- ❖ **Status:** Conceptual design finished. Call for tender for the detailed design and fabrication of the cryostat and cold structure (50K, 4K, 1K and 0.1 K layers) to be announced in the coming months.





## ELFS-north. A 6-8m class QUIJOTE telescope.

- ❖ **European Low Frequency Survey (ELFS).**  
MoU between IAC, CSIC, UniMi (Milan), Oxford, SISSA, Toulouse University.
- ❖ **North:** Exploring the preliminary design of a 6-8m class telescope, which should be a scaled version of QUIJOTE (optimised for polarization measurements).
- ❖ **South:** ELFS-S (next slide).
- ❖ Current QUIJOTE design: 2.25m primary. New concept.
- ❖ Funding for conceptual design available.



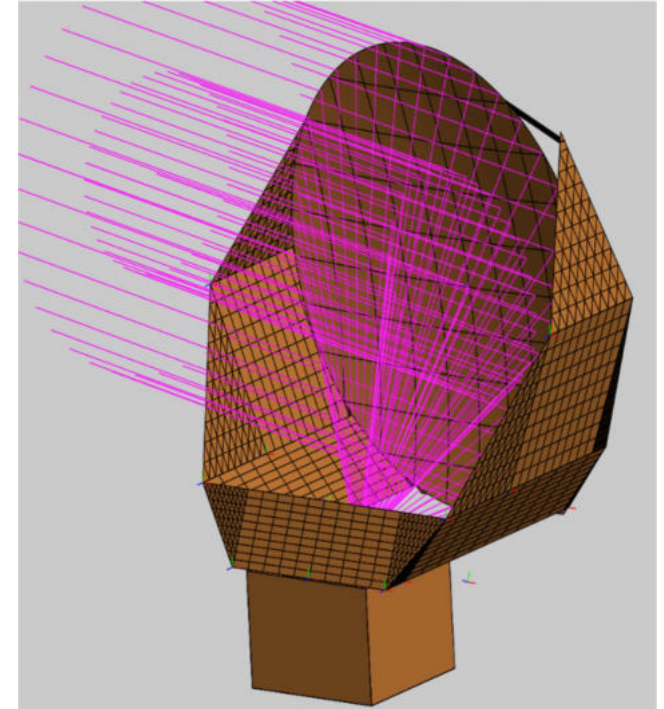
*CCAT-Prime and Simons Observatory use similar designs (Large Aperture Telescope, 6m) (<https://simonsobservatory.org/large-aperture-telescope-gallery/>)*

# ELFS-Simons Array

- New project: Install European coherent receivers on one 3.5m Simons Array telescope in Chile.
- Initially single-pixel  $\sim 6\text{-}12$  GHz (TBC) based on CBASS-North cryostat, later multi-pixel 10-20 GHz (MFI2 from QUIJOTE)
- New receivers give improved synchrotron foreground guard for Simons Array and Simons Observatory – important given new 6-SAT configuration.
- Spectral backend gives protection from satellite RFI.

Personnel: main groups worldwide working at low frequency (SPASS, CBASS, QUIJOTE, STRIP)

Spanish team (IAC, IFCA): development of the FPGA digital back end, based on the MFI2 concept.







# Tenerife Microwave Spectrometer (TMS), 10-20GHz



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## ○ IAC project. Instrumental participation:

○ **Science driver:** Ground-based **low resolution spectroscopy** observations in the 10-20GHz range to characterize foregrounds and CMB spectral distortions. Provides frequency intercalibration for QUIJOTE-MFI. (Rubino-Martin et al. 2020).

○ **Location:** Teide Observatory (former VSA enclosure). Full sky dome.

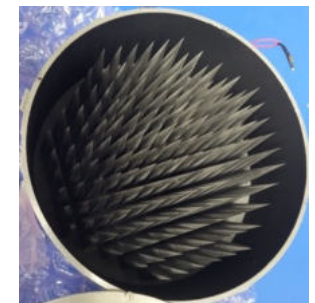
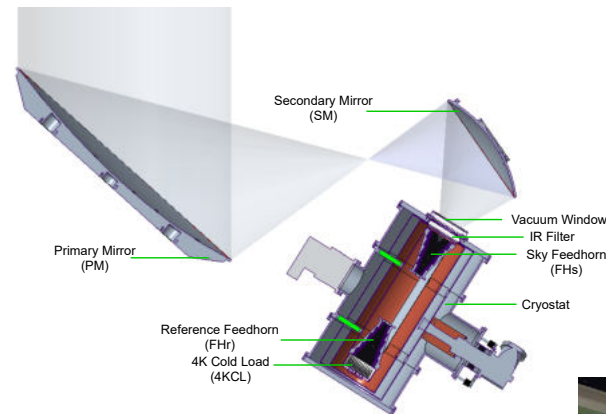
○ **Prototype for future instruments. Legacy value (radio synchrotron background).** Complementing future space missions (10-20GHz).

## ○ Proposed instrument concept:

- FEM cooled to 4-10K (HEMTs).
- Reference 4K cold load.
- **DAS based on FPGAs (Xilinx ZCU208).**
- ~2deg beam, 0.25 GHz spectral resolution (40 bands).

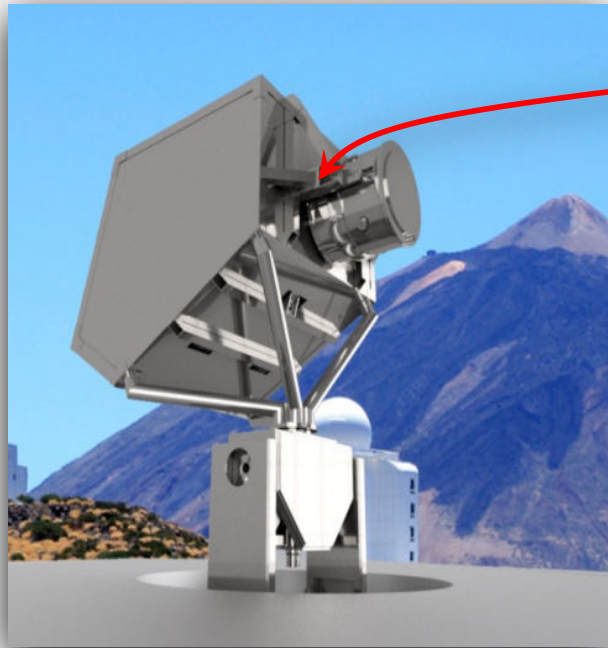
## ○ Project Status:

- Enclosure and dome at the Teide Observatory. ✓
- Platform fabricated (IDOM). Installation Nov 2022. ✓
- Cryostat at the IAC since July 2019. ✓
- 4K load fabricated and tested (Nov 2021). ✓
- **Mirrors designed (Alonso-Arias et al 2022). To be fabricated .**
- **Shielding and support structure to be designed and fabricated.**
- **DAS based on FPGAs, similar to MFI2.**
- **Optomechanics in final fabrication phase (OMTs, hybrids).**
- Commissioning in late 2024, early 2025.

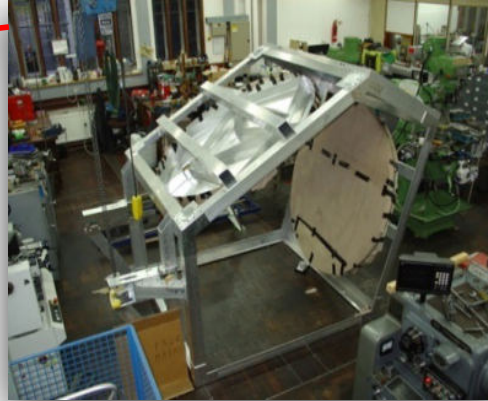


Deployment at Teide Observatory  
(Tenerife): Fall 2024

# LSPE/STRIP



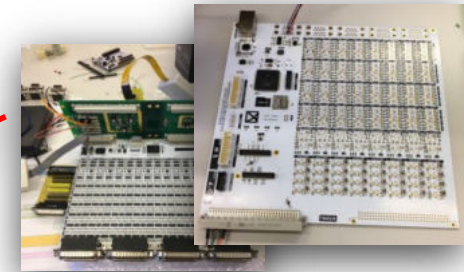
1.5m cross-Dragone telescope



Direct measurement of Q & U, low systematics

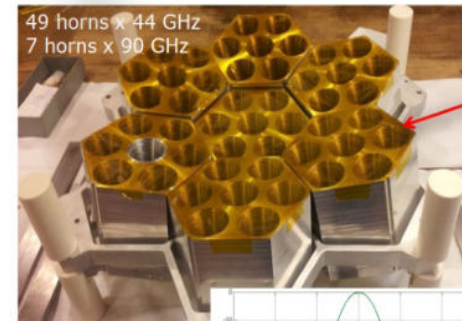
Q band: 49-element array, resolution 20', sensitivity 1.5 $\mu$ K/deg

W-band: 6 elements, atmospheric monitor, calibration channel

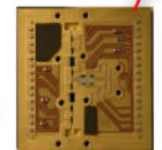
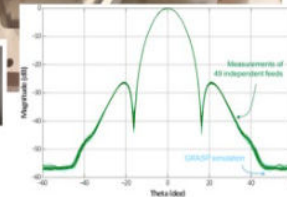


• STRIP Electronics

49 horns x 44 GHz  
7 horns x 90 GHz



State-of-the-art platelet technique



Polarimeter

• STRIP focal plane

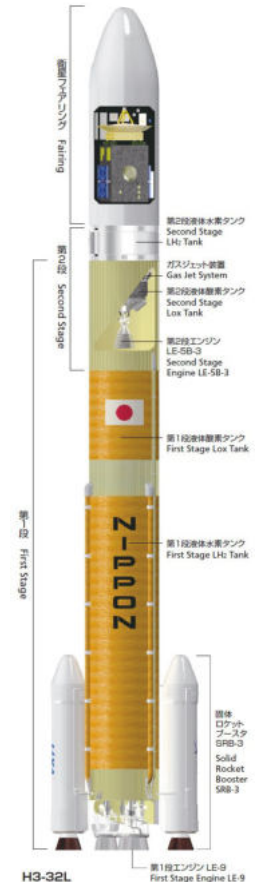
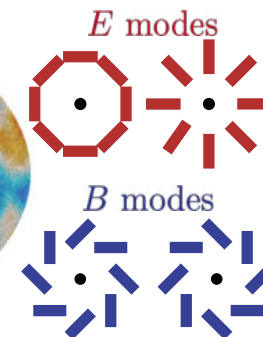
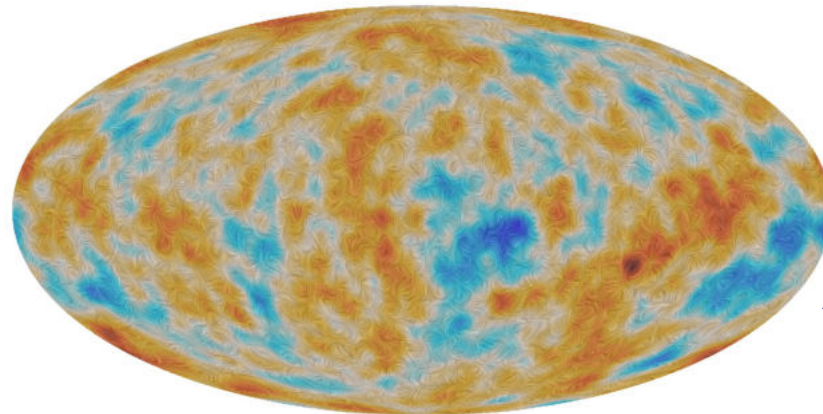
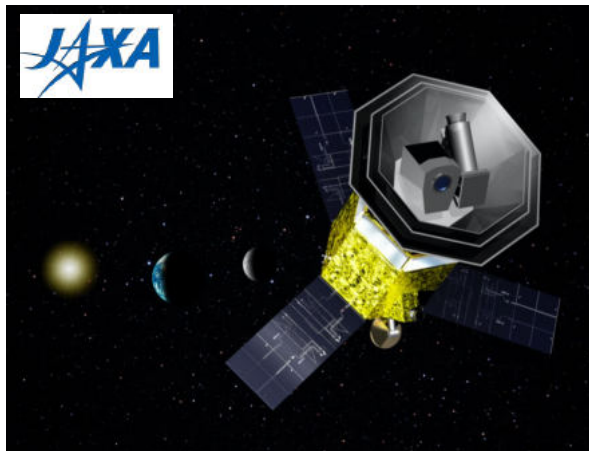
**Call for tender for the fabrication of the cover and sliding roof to be announced in the coming months.**

# Misión espacial LiteBIRD



- Lite (Light) satellite for the study of *B*-mode polarization and Inflation from cosmic background Radiation Detection
- Misión de JAXA's clase L, seleccionada en mayo de 2019, en fase A2
- Lanzamiento previsto hacia el final de **2029** en un cohete JAXA H3
- **Observaciones de todo el cielo durante 3 años** desde L2
- Amplio rango espectral (**40–402 GHz**, 15 bandas), resolución espacial **70–18 arcmin** para la medida de los **modos B** de la inflación
- Sensibilidad final combinada: **2.2  $\mu\text{K}\cdot\text{arcmin}$**

Hazumi+ SPIE 2020



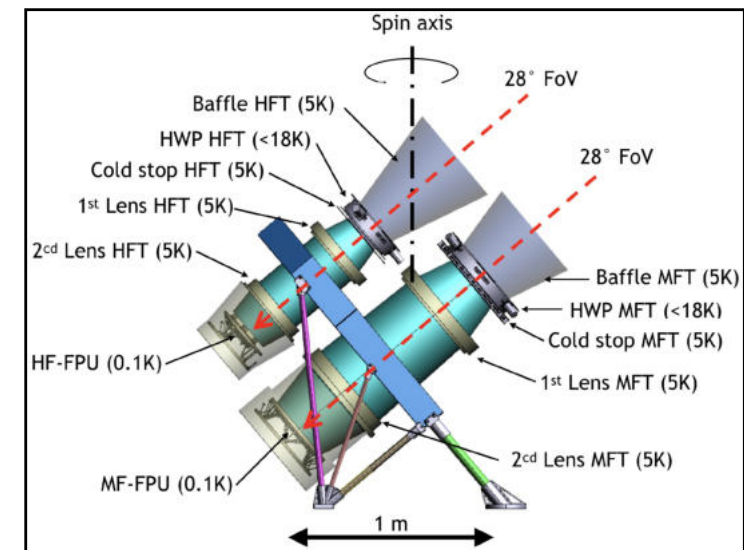
# Misión espacial LiteBIRD



- Consorcio europeo encargado de la construcción de los telescopios de media y alta frecuencia (MHFT)
- Contribución española, formada por: IAC, IFCA CSIC-UC e IDR-UPM
- Participación en los grupos científicos, y en aspectos de desarrollo instrumental
- España tiene la responsabilidad y lidera el desarrollo de un sistema de medida y de control de la temperatura en las etapas criogénicas del MHFT
  - Los requerimientos son temperaturas mínimas de 100 mK, en el plano focal, y variaciones sub micro-Kelvin
- El diseño de fase A de este sistema comenzó con un proyecto liderado por el IAC y financiado con el programa ICTP de CDTI (377 k€, oct 2021 a jun 2023).
- 3 contratos menores:
  - IFCA (especificación de requerimientos)
  - SENER aeroespacial (soporte diseño electrónico)
  - IDR (soporte diseño térmico y mecánico)



Telescopios MHFT



# Misión espacial LiteBIRD



- Organización temporal y previsión de costes para la continuación de estas tareas durante las fases B/C/D
- Fase B (1 año, 2024)
- Fase C (3 años, 2025-2027)
- Fase D (2 años, 2028-2029)
- Lanzamiento: 2029

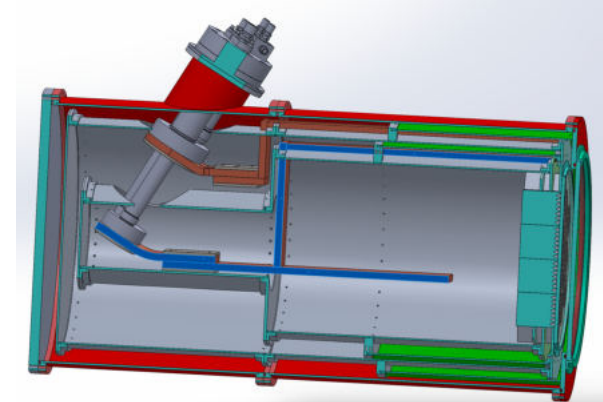
Concepto	Periodo de ejecución	Coste estimado
Desarrollo de la electrónica de vuelo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bancos de pruebas</li> <li>• Modelos de vuelo</li> <li>• Modelos de cualificación</li> <li>• Modelos de ingeniería</li> </ul>	Fases B/C/D (2024-2029)	8M €
Desarrollo de un banco de pruebas en tierra (GSE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cámara de vacío</li> <li>• Equipamiento de vacío y enfriamiento</li> <li>• Equipamiento de medida y control de temperatura</li> <li>• Electrónica de control</li> </ul>	Fases B/C/D (2024-2029)	1 M€
Pruebas de validación de componentes y modelos	Fases C/D (2026-2029)	0.8 M€
Caracterización y suministro de <i>sensores oscuros</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caracterización de los detectores TES</li> <li>• Adquisición de sensores oscuros</li> <li>• Equipamiento para medida y caracterización</li> </ul>	Fases B/C/D (2024-2029)	1.2 M€
TOTAL		11 M€

# Summary slide



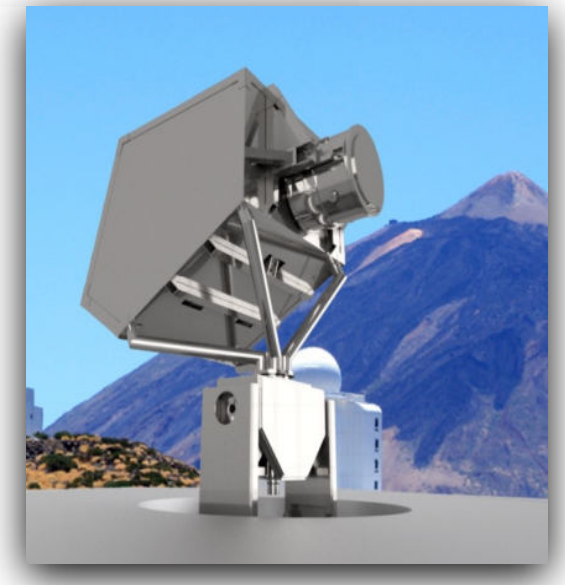
## Technological challenges

- **FPGAs.** Technology.
- **KIDs based W-band camera:**
  - Cryostat operating down to 0.1K.
- **6-8m class telescopes:**
  - Conceptual design.
- **Litebird space mission.**

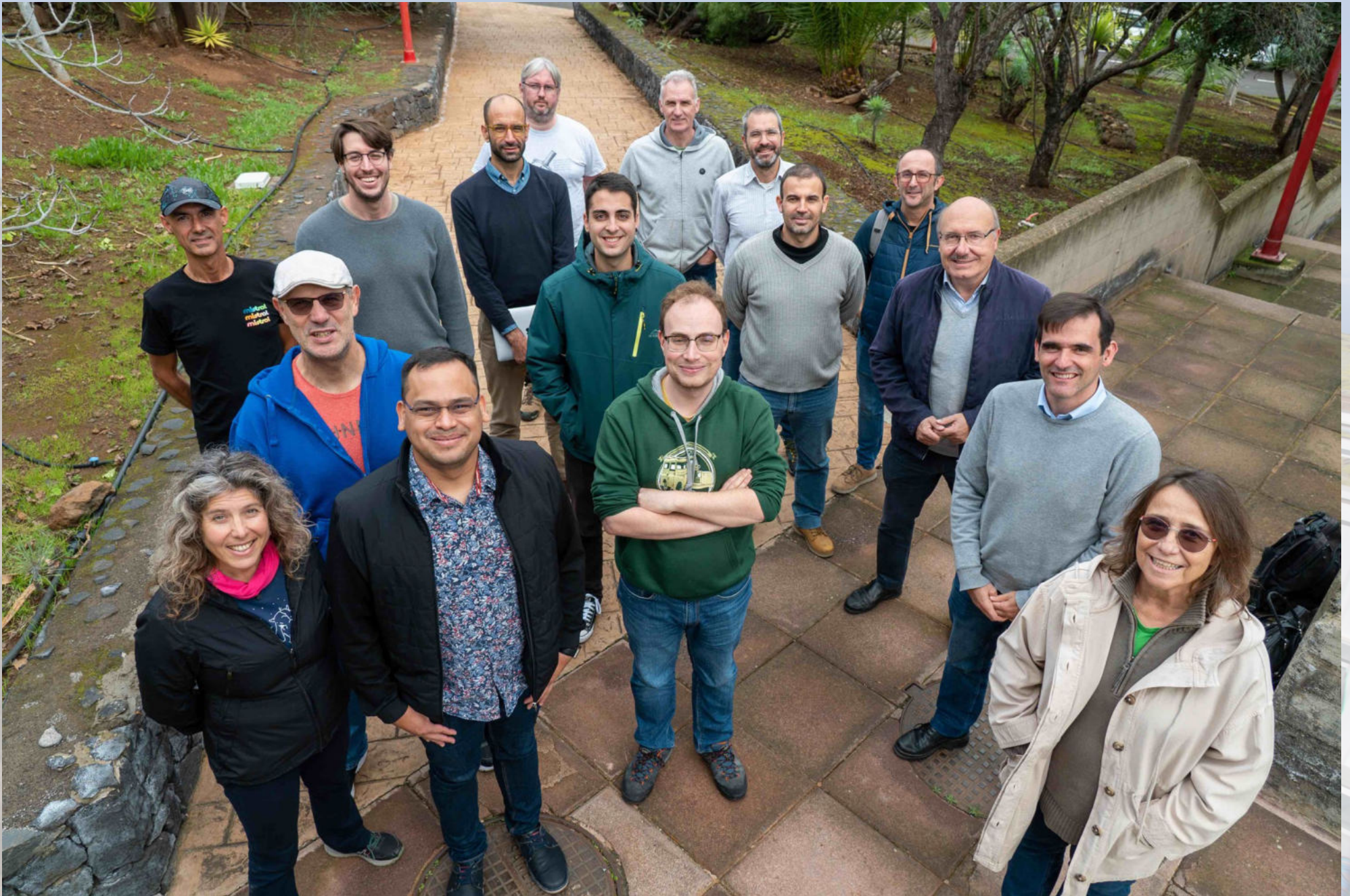


## Other needs

- **Shielding, mirrors and optomechanical components for TMS.**
- **Cover and sliding roof for STRIP.**



CMB team @ IAC ( <http://research.iac.es/proyecto/cmb/> )



Thank you!

