

LBNF/DUNE

An international mega-science project hosted by the US

The **Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility (LBNF)** will be the world's flagship science project to unlock the mysteries of neutrinos, the particles that could be the key to explaining why matter and the universe exist. LBNF will take advantage of existing US facilities. It will be hosted at the Department of Energy's Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Illinois—home of the world's most intense neutrino beam—and the Sanford Underground Research Facility in South Dakota, the deepest science laboratory in the United States.

LBNF will house the infrastructure and particle detectors for the **Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)**. The LBNF project will provide the huge caverns, buildings and infrastructure that DUNE will need in Illinois and South Dakota. Construction of the LBNF facility could start in 2017.



The LBNF/DUNE project combines the scientific goals and expertise of the global neutrino physics community. More than 800 scientists and engineers from 145 institutions in 27 countries already are working on the project.

Scientists and engineers from 27 countries are developing the technologies for this mega-science project, including the massive DUNE particle detectors. The European Organization for Nuclear Research, CERN, will be a leading partner and has committed to develop and deliver key components for the project.

LBNF/DUNE will build on the strong partnership established between DOE and CERN and the strategic plans endorsed by the European and US particle physics communities. Bringing together scientists from around the world, it will drive neutrino science forward the way CERN's Large Hadron Collider drove the Nobel Prize-winning discovery of the Higgs boson.

LBNF/DUNE BY THE NUMBERS

3 TYPES OF NEUTRINOS

Discovered so far, including the discovery of the tau neutrino at Fermilab

1.2 MILLION WATTS

Power of the Fermilab proton beam that will create neutrinos for DUNE

2015 NOBEL PRIZE

Awarded for the discovery of neutrino oscillations, the science at the core of DUNE

800,000 TONS

Amount of rock to be excavated to create the LBNF caverns for DUNE, about the weight of eight aircraft carriers

10 TRILLION NEUTRINOS

Number of neutrinos from the sun that go through your body every second, even when it is dark

-300 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT

Temperature of the liquid argon in the DUNE particle detectors (-184 degrees Celsius)

0.004 SECONDS

Time that neutrinos need to travel the 800 miles (1300 kilometers) from Fermilab in Illinois to the Sanford Underground Research Facility in South Dakota

70,000 TONS

Amount of liquid argon necessary to fill the DUNE detectors, 100 times more than previous detectors of this kind

Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility

An international mega-science project for hosting the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment in the United States

An international mega-science project in the US

The Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment will be the world’s flagship neutrino project, driven by the ingenuity and expertise of scientists in 27 countries. More than 140 laboratories and universities are contributing to the development of particle accelerator and detector technologies for DUNE in the quest to understand how our universe works. The proposed Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility will provide the huge caverns, buildings and infrastructure for hosting the project in the United States.

Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment at the Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility

What is a neutrino?

Neutrinos are all around us. They are the most abundant matter particles in the universe. Each second, a trillion neutrinos pass through our bodies, yet very little is known about them. In nature, neutrinos are produced in great quantities in the sun and other stars. In the laboratory, scientists can make neutrinos and their antimatter counterparts—antineutrinos—with particle accelerators to learn more about the role they play in the universe.



ORIGIN OF MATTER
Discover what happened after the big bang: Are neutrinos the reason the universe is made of matter?



UNIFICATION OF FORCES
Move closer to realizing Einstein’s dream of a unified theory of matter and energy



BLACK HOLE FORMATION
Use neutrinos to look into the cosmos and watch the formation of neutron stars and black holes in real time

Sanford Underground Research Facility, South Dakota

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Illinois

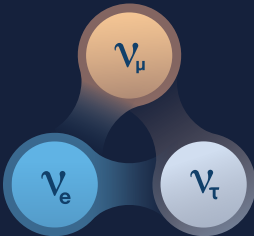
The world’s best neutrino detector, located almost a mile underground

The mile-deep LBNF caverns to be constructed at the Sanford Underground Research Facility will house the huge,70,000-ton particle detectors of the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment. The deep location will shield the experiment from the cosmic rays that bombard earth’s surface, while neutrinos easily travel through the rock to reach the supersensitive DUNE detectors.



HIGH-PRECISION TRACKS
The DUNE detectors will employ liquid-argon technology to record particle tracks with unprecedented precision. The technology is key to searching for new subatomic phenomena and transforming our understanding of neutrinos and their role in the universe.

NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS
The distance between Fermilab and the Sanford Underground Research Facility is ideal for learning more about the origin of matter: it will give neutrinos and antineutrinos enough time to oscillate and reveal how matter and antimatter behave differently.



The world’s most intense particle accelerator for neutrino research

DUNE needs neutrinos and antineutrinos. Lots of them. The powerful particle accelerator complex at the Department of Energy’s Fermilab is the perfect tool. The Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility at Fermilab will produce the world’s most intense neutrino and antineutrino beams and send them 800 miles (1300 kilometers) straight through the earth to the DUNE detectors—no tunnel necessary.