

# COST

Domain Committee "Materials, Physics and Nano Sciences"

## COST Action MP1001

Start Date 06/12/2010

### *Ion Traps for Tomorrow's Applications*

## MONITORING PROGRESS REPORT

**Reporting Period:** from 06/12/2010 to 31/07/2013

This Report is presented to the relevant Domain Committee.  
It contains three parts:

- I. Management Report** prepared by the COST Office/Grant Holder
- II. Scientific Report** prepared by the Chair of the Management Committee of the Action
- III. Previous versions of the Scientific Report;** i.e., part II of past reporting periods

The report is a "cumulative" report, i.e. it is updated annually and covers the entire period of the Action.

Confidentiality: the documents will be made available to the public via the COST Action web page except for chapter *II.D. Self evaluation*.

Based on the monitoring results, the COST Office will decide on the following year's budget allocation.

#### **Executive summary (max.250 words):**

The awarding of the Nobel Prize in Physics 2012 to David Wineland from NIST for his pioneering work in ion trapping was spectacular news for the Action. David and his group were the first non-COST institution to join our Action in its first year, they are regular participants to all our events. The Nobel Prize for an Ion Trapper has also given an increased visibility to the Action topics (see for example the COST press release (<http://www.cost.eu/library/newsroom/Nobelprize2012>)).

All Action events are very popular attracting also a large fraction of colleagues from outside Europe and from neighbouring domains. ESR appreciate our efforts for organizing schools and dedicating an important budget to STSMs. The Action newsletter is very popular, and we hope that our recently launched Wiki will have the same success.

## I. Management Report prepared by the COST Office/Grant Holder



### I.A. COST Action Fact Sheet

- **COST Action MP1001 – Ion Traps for Tomorrow’s Applications**
- **Domain Materials, Physical and Nanosciences**

- **Action details:**

**CSO Approval:** 20/05/2010  
**Entry into force:** 22/07/2010

**End date:** 05/12/2014  
**Extension:** (day/month/year)

- **Objectives** (from DB as in About COST)

In the last two decades our ability to study individual quantum systems (or controlled ensembles of them), virtually free from outside perturbations, has been transformed from a dream to a reality. Trapped atomic and molecular ions have been at the heart of this revolution, providing the key to a deeper understanding of many of the underlying principles of Physics and Chemistry. Physicists can now trap single atoms or photons, prepare these particles in well-defined states and follow their evolution in real time. Deeper insight into the fundamental scientific principles leads to the emergence of innovative applications and stimulates technical evolution. Scientific and technological applications include frequency metrology for the precise determination of fundamental constants; frequency standards e.g. global positioning; the determination of atomic ground state properties e.g. mass, life-time, spin; quantum information and cavity quantum electrodynamics. Notably, the production of cold molecules and the study of chemical dynamics at ultralow temperatures are areas of remarkable current growth within the field. This Action will advance the frontier of knowledge regarding basic questions in order to foster the emergence of novel applications.

- **Parties:** list of countries and date of acceptance

Austria 9/11/2010	Greece (date)	Poland 22/07/2010
Belgium 30/09/2010	Hungary (date)	Portugal 17/11/2010
Bulgaria 7/06/2011	Iceland (date)	Romania 17/11/2010
Croatia (date)	Ireland (date)	Serbia (date)
Cyprus (date)	Israel 22/07/2010	Slovakia (date)
Czech Rep. (date)	Italy 28/10/2010	Slovenia (date)
Denmark 8/12/2010	Latvia (date)	Spain 22/07/2010
Estonia (date)	Lithuania (date)	Sweden (date)
Finland 20/10/2010	Luxembourg (date)	Switzerland 22/07/2010
FYR of Macedonia (date)	Malta (date)	Turkey (date)
France 28/07/2010	Netherlands 18/04/2011	United Kingdom 22/07/2010
Germany 14/09/2010	Norway (date)	

- **Intentions to accept:** list of countries and date

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**WG2** Various Scales

**WG3** Interaction of ions with electromagnetic radiation

**WG4** Cold Molecular Ions

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321	Mr	Christian	Wellers	Trainee	DE
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327	Dr	Lisa	Woerner	Trainee	AT
328	Mr	Jannes	Wuebbena	Trainee	DE
329	Prof.	Christof	Wunderlich	MC Member	DE
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## I.C. Overview activities and expenditure

### (2013) Budget

Total Action Budget: 197 663 €

Remaining Action Commitment: 73 997 €

#### Meetings

Meeting Type	Date	Place	Participants		Cost	Total
Kick-off	06-déc-2010	Brussels/B E	18/18			11730.41 €
Scientific kick-off (MC and all WG)	23- 25/03/2011	Heidelberg/ DE	43/75			28401.47 €
Qion	26- 29/04/2011	Madrid/ES	11/35			8489.73 €
Core group	21/09/11	Paris/FR	6/8			3178.51 €
Qion	26-29/3/12	Tel Aviv/IL	12/40			9980 €
IonTech	7-9/5/12	Siegen/DE	17/67			11778.42 €
NNP	27-30/08/12	Greifswald/ DE	8/56			4730.82 €
ECTI-2	9-14/09/12	Obergurgl/ AT	46/120			37263.28 €
Qion 13	2-5/04/13	Obergurgl/ AT	16/33			8955 €
Wiki meeting	27-28/4/13	Paris/F	3/4			1625.9 €
CAMEL	17-21/6/13	Nessebar/B G	14/49			6230 €
					Total	<b>132 363.54 €</b>

#### STSM

Beneficiary	Date from	to	Place	Cost	Total
Przemysław Głowacki	04/07/2011	31/07/2011	PTB/Germany		2200 €
Benjamin Szymanski	17/07/2011	13/08/2011	Oxford/UK		1200 €
Alexander Winderberger	09/09/2011	07/10/2011	Aarhus/Denmark		2000 €
Maria Schwarz	09/09/2011	07/10/2011	Aarhus/Denmark		2000 €
Kevin Sheridan	1/10/2011	30/11/2011	VU Amsterdam/NL		2500 €
Peter Zahariev	16/01/12	17/02/12	Uni Mainz		2300 €
Sebastian Menk	09/01/12	19/02/12	Weizmann Institute		2015 €
Peter Ivanov	06/02/12	06/03/12	Univ Complutense Madrid		2000 €

Oscar Versolato	07/05/12	31/07/12	Aarhus University		2500 €
Christopher Ballance	08/07/12	18/08/12	ETH Zürich		2300 €
Matthias Germann	26/08/12	9/09/12	CSIC, Madrid		1340 €
Alex Retzker	18/02/13	24/02/13	Uni Siegen/DE		900 €
Tanveer Baig	25/02/13	22/03/13	NPL, Teddington/UK		2100 €
Martin Berglund	11/03/13	22/03/13	Aarhus University/DK		700 €
Claudiu Genes	18/03/13	20/04/13	ISIS, Strasbourg/F		1800 €
				Total	<b>27 855 €</b>

### Workshops

Title	Date		Place	Participants	Cost	Total
	From	To				
Scientific kick-off (MC and all WG)	23/3/11	25/3/11	Heidelberg/DE	75		2 190 €
Qion	26/4/11	29/4/11	Madrid/ES	35		1 050 €
Core group	21/09/11		Paris/FR	8		210 €
Qion	26/3/11	29/3/11	Tel Aviv/IL	35		1 050 €
IonTech	07/05	09/05	Siegen/DE	67		2 010 €
ECTI-2	9-14/09/12		Obergurgl/AT	120		3 600 €
Qion 13	2-5/04/13		Obergurgl/AT	33		990 €
CAMEL	17-21/6/13		Nessebar/BG	49		1 470 €
					Total	<b>12 570 €</b>

### General Support Grants

Beneficiary	Date					Cost	Total
Université de Provence	Nov 2011						8 235.74 €
Université d'Aix-Marseille	Nov 2012						13 947.23 €
						Total	<b>22 182.97 €</b>

### Schools

Title	Date	Place				Cost	Total
Training Event "Cold Molecules"	23/1/11	25/1/11	Sandbjerg/DK	34/50			19001.50 €



Physics with Trapped Charged Particles	9/1	20/1	Les Houches, France					13 310.43 €
							Total	<b>32 311.93 €</b>

### Dissemination

Title	Date	Place					Cost	Total
Web page	2011							1842 €
Web hosting	2011							158 €
Newsletter editor	2012							1500 €
Applied Phys B – special edition	2012							500 €
							Total	<b>4000 €</b>

### Others


**Action Total : 231 283.44 €**

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**II. Scientific Report** prepared by the Chair of the Management Committee of the Action, describing results achieved during the Action operation in this period, in no more than 3 pages (the report is “cumulative”). All items listed in Sections A, B, and C, below, must be addressed.

Additional documentation such as extended scientific reports, proceedings of workshops, seminars or conferences may be provided separately as an annex to this report, and should be referenced in the report.

The awarding of the Nobel Prize in Physics 2012 to David Wineland from NIST for his pioneering work in ion trapping was spectacular news for the Action. David and his group were the first non-COST institution to join our Action in its first year; they are regular participants to all our events. The Nobel Prize for an Ion Trapper has also given an increased visibility to the Action topics (see for example the COST press release (<http://www.cost.eu/library/newsroom/Nobelprize2012>)).

All Action events are very popular attracting also a large fraction of colleagues from outside Europe and from neighbouring domains. ESRs appreciate our efforts for organizing schools and dedicating an important budget to STSMs. The Action newsletter is very popular, and we hope that our recently launched Wiki will have the same success.

### **II.A. Innovative networking**

- *Innovative knowledge resulting from COST networking through the Action. (Specific examples of Results vs. Objectives)*

An extremely interesting analogy of a trapped ion with an Otto motor is exploited by the Mainz group (*Single-Ion Heat Engine at Maximum Power*, O. Abah, J. Roßnagel, G. Jacob, S. Deffner, F. Schmidt-Kaler, K. Singer, and E. Lutz; *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 109, 203006 (2012)). Due to their interest in thermal machines, the group is also participating in the recent COST Action MP1209 “Thermodynamics in the quantum regime”.

Microtraps destined for the use in quantum computers suffer from electrical noise which increases the heating rates of the trapped ions and degrades coherence times. There is a large effort of different groups in the Action (Oxford, Mainz, Paris, Siegen, NIST, ..) to overcome this problem by cleaning the surface either with an ion beam or with laser ablation. These experiments are extremely expensive in terms of time and human resources, and the common shared approach has already allowed to create a database of experiments in order to identify new routes to solving this problem..

- *Significant scientific breakthroughs as part of the COST Action. (Specific examples)*

Since last years, there are some spectacular experiments which demonstrate the interaction of trapped ions with cold atoms. Among others, this can lead to new insight in the measurement of the thermodynamics of a single atom (see for example *Controlling chemical reactions of a single particle*, Lothar Ratschbacher, Christoph Zipkes, Carlo Sias & Michael Köhl, *Nature Phys.*, Vol. 8, 649–652 (2012)). The addressing of individual ions by microwave radiation opens the door for a scalable quantum computer and has been demonstrated in parallel at the University of Siegen/DE and at NIST – with two slightly different approaches. There are many ongoing efforts on this subject in different groups throughout Europe (and in the US).

Quantum simulations are a field where lots of activities are developed in our Action, as this topic relies on permanent interactions between theoretical and experimental groups. A special workshop will be dedicated to this topic in December 2013.

- *Tangible medium term socio-economic impacts achieved or expected. (Specific examples)*

There is a lot of progress concerning the microfabrication techniques, concerning processes of fabrication, but also and most importantly the integration of microtraps with either fibers and optics (see for example *Fibre-ion integration*, Oliver Graydon, *Nature Photonics* 7, 505 (2013)), or with other qubit systems as there are for example superconducting qubits.

Regarding the socio-economic impact there is a large potential in a common view of instrumentation. Different groups have started to develop innovative instrumentation (see for example *A new Pulse-Pattern Generator based on LabVIEW FPGA*, F. Ziegler, D. Beck, H. Brand,

H. Hahn, G. Marx, L. Schweikhard, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 679, 1-6 (2012), and some of these proto-types are started to be commercialized. One of the objectives of the Action is to bring together existing initiatives to be able to propose instrumentation to a larger public.

- *Spin off of new EC RTD Framework Programme proposals/projects. (List)*

An ITN on Cold Molecules (COMIQ) joining the partners of the Action has been accepted in early 2013. A FP7-STREP is currently under negotiation.

- *Spin off of new National Programme proposals/projects. (List)*

A joint proposal ANR-DFG on the gbar project has been submitted.

## **II.B. Inter-disciplinary networking**

- *Additional knowledge obtained from working with other disciplines within the COST framework. (Specific examples)*
- *Evaluation of whether the level of inter-disciplinarity is sufficient to potentially provide scientific impacts. (Specific examples)*
- *Evaluation of whether the level of inter-disciplinarity is sufficient to potentially provide socio-economic impacts. (Specific examples)*

Since the beginning of the Action there is a lot of exchange with groups from chemistry and biochemistry concerning the topic of cold collisions and in particular the measurement of reaction rates. There is also increasing interaction with the community of cold atoms, quantum simulations and quantum information processing are the two major common interests.

The ion trapping community itself gathers people from different backgrounds in physics and chemistry and the organized workshops tend to aim for subjects with common interests to a large number of researchers. The common approach of technical aspects (IonTech), control of quantum dynamics (CAMEL) or quantum information processing (Qion) open to a heterogeneous public and therefore trigger many interesting discussions. As is reflected by the publication list, these encounters generate novel scientific approaches (i.e., the use of cold molecules in quantum computing).

It is somewhat early to evaluate the socio-economic impact of the highly interdisciplinary approaches developed in our Action. There are already several contacts and joint projects, which have a promising potential.

## **II.C. New networking**

- *Additional new members joining the Action during its life.*
- *Total number of individual participants involved in the Action work. (Number of participants. Give % of female and of Early Stage Researcher participants)*
- *Involvement of Early Stage Researchers in the Action, in particular with respect to STSMs, networking activities, and Training Schools. In addition, justification should be provided if less than 4 STSMs were carried out during the year.*
- *Involvement of researchers from outside of COST Countries. (Number of participants from non-COST Countries approved by the CSO. Give % of such participants from countries with reciprocal agreements. Specify their contribution)*
- *Advancement and promotion of scientific knowledge through publications and other outreach activities. (Number of publications and other outreach activities that resulted from COST networking through the Action. Complete list should be given in an annex)*
- *Activities and projects with COST network colleagues.*
- *The capacity of the Action members to raise research funds.*

All European countries with an Ion trapping activity have signed the MoU and are active in the Action. We have now 5 officially affiliated non-COST country partners and 2 applications which are in the state of DC approval (Dr. Kazuhiro Hayasaka, National Institute for Communication and

Information Technology, Japan; and Dr. Michael Biercuk, University of Sydney, Australia). Since last July, a bit more than 200 participants have attended our events, this number is slightly inferior to last year, but can be explained by the fact, that most of our 2013 events are scheduled for the second half of the year. We make efforts to increase the number of female participants (proposing reimbursements preferentially to women; organizing events outside school holidays; a gender balance web page...). We had a female student prize winner last year, and we organized her encounter with the Nobel Prize winner D Wineland – and asked her to write an article which was published in euromphysics news (attached). The Summer School we are organizing in Varenna in July 2013 has 3 female scientific directors. The president of the Italian Physical Society (a lady) will come to the opening, and we take this opportunity to communicate about women in science. The number of female researchers is still of the order of ten percent reflecting the existing gender distribution in the groups.

In 2013 (as in 2012) we organize a training school with the participation of 55 students (10 from non-COST countries). The general participation rate of ESR in our events is of the order of 60%, with a slight fluctuation depending on the type of event. Non-COST country participation fluctuates around 15 %, where the largest part comes from our non-COST partners, the NIST group in particular.

For all events, we apply for additional funding to other organisations than COST, which allows us to reimburse a very large fraction of participants. For the (international) Summer School in 2013 that has permitted to financially support students from outside Europe.

Regarding dissemination, a special issue on Ion Trapping (<http://www.springerlink.com/content/165412412158h76x/?MUD=MP>) has been published in July 2012 by Applied Physics B. Proceedings of the Workshop on Non-neutral Plasma have been published in a special volume of AIP conference proceedings (<http://proceedings.aip.org/resource/2/apcpcs/1521/1?isAuthorized=no>). All publications are listed on our website, and publications involving members from more than one European country are listed in the Annex. We are also preparing a review volume which will publish the lectures given at last year's School in Les Houches, and will hopefully appear in September 2013 (Imperial College Press). Proceedings of this year's School will be published under the auspices of the Italian Physical Society in the traditional format ([http://en.sif.it/books/series/rendiconti\\_fermi](http://en.sif.it/books/series/rendiconti_fermi)).

The European Conference on Ion Trapping was held in its third edition last September in Obergurgl/Austria. The location (the conference centre of the University of Innsbruck) had been voluntarily chosen to be limited in size (120 participants) and in a remote location in order to foster interactions. The event was so successful that a new location and date have already been chosen for 2014. Moreover, to give a mean-term frame to this conference, a permanent scientific committee has been installed.

The Action has also been presented at COST's Science Night in December 2012.

## **Annex – Collaboration Publications 2012-2013**

*(only publications involving at least two groups from different countries are listed)*

### **Simulating the coupling of angular momenta in distant matter qubits**

C. Ammon, A. Maser, U. Schilling, T. Bastin, and J. von Zanthier  
Phys. Rev. A 86, 052308 (2012)

### **Precise Experimental Investigation of Eigenmodes in a Planar Ion Crystal**

H. Kaufmann, S. Ulm<sup>1</sup>, G. Jacob, U. Poschinger, H. Landa, A. Retzker, M. B. Plenio, and F. Schmidt-Kaler  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 263003 (2012)

### **Reactive collisions of trapped anions with ultracold atoms**

J. Deiglmayr, A. Göritz, T. Best, M. Weidemüller, and R. Wester  
Phys. Rev. A 86, 043438 (2012)

### **Q value and half-life of double-electron capture in 184Os**

C. Smorra et al.  
Phys. Rev. C 86, 044604 (2012)

### **First on-line Application of a Multi-Reflection Time-of-Flight Device for Mass Separation of Short-Lived Nuclei**

R.N. Wolf et al.  
Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 686, 82-90 (2012)

### **Bosonic Josephson Junction Controlled by a Single Trapped Ion**

R. Gerritsma, A. Negretti, H. Doerk, Z. Idziaszek, T. Calarco, and F. Schmidt-Kaler  
Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol. 109, 080402 (2012)

### **Dark-state suppression and optimization of laser cooling and fluorescence in a trapped alkaline-earth-metal single ion**

T. Lindvall and M. Merimaa and I. Tuttonen and A. A. Madej  
Phys. Rev. A, Vol. 86, 033403 (2012)

### **An experiment for the direct determination of the g-factor of a single proton in a Penning trap**

C C Rodegheri, K Blaum, H Kracke, S Kreim, A Mooser, W Quint, S Ulmer and J Walz  
New J. Phys., Vol. 14, 063011 (2012)

### **First Measurement of Pure Electron Shakeoff in the B Decay of Trapped 6He+ Ions**

C. Couratin et al.  
Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol. 108, 243201 (2012)

### **Quantum Simulation of the Cooperative Jahn-Teller Transition in 1D Ion Crystals**

Diego Porras, Peter A. Ivanov, and Ferdinand Schmidt-Kaler  
Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol. 108, 235701 (2012)

### **Experimental g factor of hydrogenlike silicon-28**

B. Schabinger, S. Sturm, A. Wagner, J. Alonso, W. Quint, G. Werth and K. Blaum  
Eur. Phys. J. D, Vol. 66, 71 (2012)

### **Direct mass measurements of cadmium and palladium isotopes and their double-B transition Q values**

C. Smorra et al.  
Phys. Rev. C, Vol. 85, 027601 (2012)

### **Photon-assisted-tunneling toolbox for quantum simulations in ion traps**

Alejandro Bermudez, Tobias Schaetz, and Diego Porras  
New J. Phys., Vol. 14, 053049 (2012)

### **Heavy-ion storage-ring-lifetime measurement of metastable levels in the C-, N-, and O-like ions of Si, P, and S**

E. Träbert, M. Grieser, J. Hoffmann, C. Krantz, R. Repnow, and A. Wolf  
Phys. Rev. A., Vol. 85, 042508 (2012)

### **Robust trapped-ion quantum logic gates by continuous dynamical decoupling**

A. Bermudez, P. O. Schmidt, M. B. Plenio, and A. Retzker  
Phys. Rev. A., Vol. 85, 040302 (2012)

### **Two-photon laser excitation of trapped 232Th+ ions via the 402-nm resonance line**

O. A. Herrera-Sancho, M. V. Okhapkin, K. Zimmermann, Chr. Tamm, and E. Peik, A. V. Taichenachev and V. I. Yudin, P. Glowacki  
Phys. Rev. A., Vol. 85, 033402 (2012)

### **Temperature-independent quantum logic for molecular spectroscopy**

J. Mur-Petit, J. Pérez-Ríos, J. Campos-Martínez, M. I. Hernández, S. Willitsch, J. J. García-Ripoll  
Phys. Rev. A 85, 022308 (2012)

**[One- and two-pulse quadrupolar excitation schemes of the ion motion in a Penning trap investigated with FT-ICR detection](#)**

M. Heck, K. Blaum, R. B. Cakirli, M. Kretzschmar, G. Marx, D. Rodríguez, L. Schweikhard, S. Stahl and M. Ubieto-Díaz  
Appl. Phys. B., 10.1007/s00340-011-4865-9 (2012)

**[Non-Markovian qubit dynamics induced by Coulomb crystals](#)**

Massimo Borrelli, Pinja Haikka, Gabriele De Chiara, and Sabrina Maniscalco  
Phys. Rev. A 88, 010101(R) (2013)

**[Laser cooling of beryllium ions using a frequency-doubled 626 nm diode laser](#)**

F. M. J. Cozijn, J. Biesheuvel, A. S. Flores, W. Ubachs, G. Blume, A. Wicht, K. Paschke, G. Erbert, and J. C. J. Koelemeij  
Optics Letters 38, 2370-2372 (2013)

**[Scalable Reconstruction of Density Matrices](#)**

T. Baumgratz, D. Gross, M. Cramer, and M. B. Plenio  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 020401 (2013)

**[Masses of exotic calcium isotopes pin down nuclear forces](#)**

F. Wienholtz et al.  
Nature 498, 346–349 (2013)

**[Calculation of the relativistic Bethe logarithm in the two-center problem](#)**

Vladimir I. Korobov, L. Hilico and J.-Ph. Karr  
Phys. Rev. A 87, 062506 (2013)

**[Light-assisted cold chemical reactions of barium ions with rubidium atoms](#)**

Felix H.J. Hall, Mireille Aymar, Maurice Raoult, Olivier Dulieu & Stefan Willitsch  
Molecular Physics 10.1080/00268976.2013.770930

**[Ion-neutral chemistry at ultralow energies: dynamics of reactive collisions between laser-cooled Ca<sup>+</sup> ions and Rb atoms in an ion-atom hybrid trap](#)**

Felix H.J. Hall, Pascal Eberle, Gregor Hegi, Maurice Raoult, Mireille Aymar, Olivier Dulieu & Stefan Willitsch  
Molecular Physics 10.1080/00268976.2013.780107

**[Widely tunable laser frequency offset lock with 30 GHz range and 5 THz offset](#)**

J. Biesheuvel, D. W. E. Noom, E. J. Salumbides, K. T. Sheridan, W. Ubachs, and J. C. J. Koelemeij  
Optics Express 21, 14008-14016 (2013)

**[Entangling two defects via a surrounding crystal](#)**

T. Fogarty, E. Kajari, B. G. Taketani, A. Wolf, Th. Busch, and Giovanna Morigi  
Phys. Rev. A 87, 050304(R) (2013)

**[Shot-Noise-Limited Monitoring and Phase Locking of the Motion of a Single Trapped Ion](#)**

P. Bushev<sup>1</sup>, G. Hetet, L. Slodicka, D. Rotter, M. A. Wilson, F. Schmidt-Kaler, J. Eschner, and R. Blatt  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 133602 (2013)

**[Trapping of Topological-Structural Defects in Coulomb Crystals](#)**

M. Mielenz et al.  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 133004 (2013)

**[g-factor measurement of hydrogenlike 28Si<sup>13+</sup> as a challenge to QED calculations](#)**

S. Sturm, A. Wagner, M. Kretzschmar, W. Quint, G. Werth, and K. Blaum  
Phys. Rev. A 87, 030501(R) (2013)

**[Techniques for microwave near-field quantum control of trapped ions](#)**

U. Warring, C. Ospelkaus, Y. Colombe, K. R. Brown, J. M. Amini, M. Carsjens, D. Leibfried, and D. J. Wineland  
Phys. Rev. A 87, 013437 (2013)

**[Experimental access to higher-order Zeeman effects by precision spectroscopy of highly charged ions in a Penning trap](#)**

D. von Lindenfels et al.  
Phys. Rev. A 87, 023412 (2013)

**[Dissipation-Assisted Quantum Information Processing with Trapped Ions](#)**

A. Bermudez, T. Schaetz, and M. B. Plenio  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 110502 (2013)

**[Creation of arbitrary Dicke and NOON states of trapped-ion qubits by global addressing with composite pulses](#)**

Svetoslav S Ivanov, Nikolay V Vitanov and Natalia V Korolkova  
New J. Phys. 15:023039 (2013)

**[Analysis of a photon number resolving detector based on fluorescence readout of an ion Coulomb crystal quantum memory inside an optical cavity](#)**

Christoph Clausen, Nicolas Sangouard and Michael Drewsen

New J. Phys. 15:025021 (2013)

**Plumbing Neutron Stars to New Depths with the Binding Energy of the Exotic Nuclide  $^{82}\text{Zn}$**

R. N. Wolf, et al.

Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 041101 (2013)

### **III. Previous scientific report(s)**

**2012-III. Scientific Report** prepared by the Chair of the Management Committee of the Action, describing results achieved during the Action operation in this period, in no more than 3 pages (the report is "cumulative"). All items listed in Sections A, B, and C, below, must be addressed.

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In its second year, COST Action MP1001 is considered as a success by the larger ion trap community. The number and quality of the workshops, and principally their topical outline, find a large resonance within the community. Our major effort to propose events with a more transverse thematic approach including some tutorials pays largely off. There is a big demand to continue in this way.

Since October 2011, the Action publishes a monthly newsletter announcing events, news, and the latest publications in the field. This newsletter provides a real service to the community and is extremely popular.

A major event will be the European Conference on Trapped Ions II, to be held in Austria from Sept 9-14, 2012.

We have a total of 12 STSMs in the last 18 months. Our aim is to slightly increase this number. All of the outgoing young researchers have been extremely satisfied about their experience from a scientific and a personal point of view.

#### **2012-III.A. Innovative networking**

- *Innovative knowledge resulting from COST networking through the Action. (Specific examples of Results vs. Objectives)*

Different collaborations on specific topics have started in the first few months of this Action, and they are now starting to pay off in terms of knowledge and publications. Several STSMs have focussed on microfabrication techniques for miniature and surface traps, and have resulted in the implementation of new procedures (ie "Reduction of heating rate in a microfabricated ion trap by pulsed-laser cleaning"; D.T.C. Allcock, L. Guidoni, T.P. Harty, C.J. Ballance, M.G. Blain, A.M. Steane, D.M. Lucas; New J. Phys. 13 123023).

The development of integrated technologies for quantum sensor, quantum information processing with molecules, and the spectroscopy of highly-charge ions in a cryogenic trap are three innovative activities pursued in the Action.

- *Significant scientific breakthroughs as part of the COST Action. (Specific examples)*

Two groups have published the first reaction rates measured with single trapped molecules. This constitutes an important step in the progress of ultra-cold, extremely well-controlled chemistry. Micro-fabrication techniques for surface traps are a "hot topic" for quantum information processing. Rapid progress is documented by a large number of publications (see for example the special issue on Ion Trapping in Applied Physics B).

- *Tangible medium term socio-economic impacts achieved or expected. (Specific examples)*

The recent workshop on Ion Trapping Technology was the opportunity to link the Action more tightly to industrial activities; two representatives have been attending the workshop, their presentations have triggered many discussions with participants. Today, two partners commercialize products which have been developed in the ion groups (Toptica, Stahl-electronics), our aim is to multiply the existing connections.

- *Spin off of new EC RTD Framework Programme proposals/projects. (List)*

IQIT (Integrated Quantum Information Technology) is a project in FP7-ICT, bringing together seven experimental and theoretical groups. Several projects have been deposited in the FET-Open call (all



quantum information projects belong to the ICT thematics). These projects are anonymous in a first stage. At least three STREP proposals have been made in the frame of the network. ERC-Starting Grant "Molecular Networks with precision Terahertz Spectroscopy (MoNTeS)", proposed by Roland Wester, Innsbruck, started January 2012. An ITN on Cold Molecules has unfortunately been rejected, although the proposal has reached a score of 92.2 points!

- *Spin off of new National Programme proposals/projects. (List)*

Prof. Jonathan Home, ETH Zürich, CH, "Ultrafast control of trapped-ion motional states", proposal made to the Swiss National Fund. To our knowledge, Switzerland is the only country which offers spin-off funding for Action activities.

Bogdan Mihalcea, Bucarest, has presented a research project in Romania (in collaboration with PTB's Quantum Sensor group), entitled "'Sympathetic cooling and Ion dynamics of Coulomb crystals in linear Paul traps", it is the first project on the complementary list.

### **2012-III.B. Inter-disciplinary networking**

- *Additional knowledge obtained from working with other disciplines within the COST framework. (Specific examples)*
- *Evaluation of whether the level of inter-disciplinarity is sufficient to potentially provide scientific impacts. (Specific examples)*
- *Evaluation of whether the level of inter-disciplinarity is sufficient to potentially provide socio-economic impacts. (Specific examples)*

There is ongoing work with groups from chemistry and biochemistry. The workshop on Cold Molecules in November 2012 extended far beyond the ion trap community. It triggered many collaborations in that field, a new edition is already scheduled for September 2013. The publication of a special volume in the new Springer book series "Quantum Science and Technology" is under preparation.

The Action itself already brings together researchers from different disciplines, which has turned out very fruitful in terms of new collaborations. A common workshop with Action MP1006 "Fundamental Problems in Quantum Physics" is planned for 2013.

### **2012-III.C. New networking**

- *Additional new members joining the Action during its life.*
- *Total number of individual participants involved in the Action work. (Number of participants. Give % of female and of Early Stage Researcher participants)*
- *Involvement of Early Stage Researchers in the Action, in particular with respect to STSMs, networking activities, and Training Schools. In addition, justification should be provided if less than 4 STSMs were carried out during the year.*
- *Involvement of researchers from outside of COST Countries. (Number of participants from non-COST Countries approved by the CSO. Give % of such participants from countries with reciprocal agreements. Specify their contribution)*
- *Advancement and promotion of scientific knowledge through publications and other outreach activities. (Number of publications and other outreach activities that resulted from COST networking through the Action. Complete list should be given in an annex)*
- *Activities and projects with COST network colleagues.*
- *The capacity of the Action members to raise research funds.*

All European countries with an Ion trapping activity have signed the MoU and are active in the Action. In our second year we now have the official affiliation of some of our colleagues outside Europe (NIST, Boulder, Colorado, represented by Dr. Dietrich Leibfried; UCLA, California, represented by Dr. Eric Hudson), with four more applications pending (Dr. Hermann Uys, CSIR, Pretoria; Dr. Svetlana Kotochigova, Temple University, Philadelphia; Prof. Altaf Nizamani, Pakistan; Prof. Dave Kielpinski, Griffith University, Brisbane). Approximately 220 scientists have participated in one of our events, around 15 % of these in more than one event. Slightly more than a tenth of the participants are women (26), this fraction increases in the training events, reflecting

the relative distribution of women in the physics groups corresponding to different age groups.

In all events, around twenty colleagues from abroad have been invited as experts in 2012, not all have been paid from the Action budget (for administrative reasons), but their actual implication and contribution is important in the Action events. In addition (and on supplementary funds raised for the event), we could also invite (and pay) for three PhD students from India to attend the Winter School in Les Houches. We will pursue this policy for future training events.

Several collaboration projects have been submitted (see II.A). A special issue on Ion Trapping (<http://www.springerlink.com/content/1654124I2I58h76x/?MUD=MP>) has been published in July 2012 by Applied Physics B. All publications are listed on our website, and publications involving members from more than one European country are listed in the annex.

The Action has organized an eleven-day Winter School in January in Les Houches, France for 70 participants. This training event was dedicated to PhD students and young postdocs, and due to the limited size of the center and the large number of candidates, a selection had to be made (geographical and gender balance). The school topics were largely covering trapping devices from antimatter and storage rings to microtraps, and the background of the audience was very diverse. A large number of lectures, exercises, two poster sessions until late at night were on the program, allowing to have long breaks at noon dedicated to informal discussions and skiing. An evaluation questionnaire has reflected the very positive echo of that school.

The workshop on Quantum Information and Quantum Dynamics in Ion Traps (Qion'12) is a classic in the community, and has been held in Tel Aviv in March 2012. This event is designed for few participants and many interactions, with a large contribution of the theoretical community.

67 participants attended the first workshop on Technology for trapped ions organized by WG1 and WG3, with the local organizer C Wunderlich, member of the MC. Resumed by a participant: "We spend 95 % of our time in the lab struggling with technical problems, and the traditional conferences discuss the 5% of physics. This is the first workshop, where we can exchange about the underlying practical questions." Interactions with participants from industry and from other fields (mainly cold atoms), talks about technical solutions and some tutorials about the major techniques (ie laser stabilisation), a poster session and a perfect and very nice organisation have raised an enthusiastic echo among the audience. There is unanimity that this kind of workshop has to be repeated, the MC will discuss about the frequency.

Trapped ions are a part of the non-neutral plasma community which extends the applications from micro- and mini-traps to large confinement machines like storage rings and plasma reactors. The NNP community organizes a workshop every 2 or 3 years bringing together participants from different background. The 2012 edition is scheduled for the last week of August in Greifswald/Germany.

Our main event is the European Conference on Trapped Ions, to be held 9-14 September 2012, in the conference centre of Innsbruck University in Obergurgl, Austria. The choice of the site which is limited to 120 participants has been made on purpose, in order to limit the conference to a reasonable scale and privilege interactions between the attendees. As a consequence some participants had to be put on the waiting list, but we will of course see to a balanced participants list.

## **Annex – Collaboration Publications 2011-2012**

*(only publications involving at least two groups from different countries are listed)*

*Reduction of heating rate in a microfabricated ion trap by pulsed-laser cleaning,*  
D.T.C. Allcock, L. Guidoni, T.P. Harty, C.J. Ballance, M.G. Blain, A.M. Steane, D.M. Lucas  
New J. Phys. 13 123023

*Quantum Simulation of Cooperative Jahn-Teller Systems with Linear Ion Crystals,*  
D. Porras, P.A. Ivanov, F. Schmidt-Kaler  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 235701 (2012)

*Photon-Assisted-Tunneling Toolbox for Quantum Simulations in Ion Traps,*  
A. Bermúdez, T. Schaetz, D. Porras  
New Journal of Physics, Volume 14, 053049 (2012)

*Experimental quantum simulations of many-body physics with trapped ions,*  
Ch. Schneider, D. Porras, T. Schaetz  
Reports on Progress in Physics 75, 024401 (2012)

*Simulating accelerated atoms coupled to a quantum field,*  
M. Del Rey, D. Porras, E. Martín-Martínez  
Physical Review A 85, 022511 (2012)

*Synthetic Gauge Fields for Vibrational Excitations of Trapped Ions,*  
A. Bermúdez, T. Schätz, D. Porras  
Physical Review Letters 107, 150501 (2011)

*Observation of  $v' = 8 - v = 0$  vibrational overtones in trapped HD<sup>+</sup> molecular ions,*  
J.C.J. Koelemeij, D.W.E. Noom, D. de Jong, M.A. Haddad, W. Ubachs,  
Applied Physics B: Lasers and Optics 107(4), 1075-1085 (2012).

*Temperature-independent quantum logic for molecular spectroscopy,*  
Jordi Mur-Petit, Juan Jose Garcia-Ripoll, Jesus Perez-Rios, Jose Campos-Martinez, Marta I. Hernandez, and Stefan Willitsch;  
Phys. Rev. A 85, 022308 (2012)

*Light-assisted ion-neutral reactive processes in the cold regime: radiative molecule formation vs. charge exchange,*  
Felix H.J. Hall, Mireille Aymar, Nadia Bouloufa, Olivier Dulieu, and Stefan Willitsch,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, (2011) 243202

Massimo Borrelli, Laura Mazzola, Mauro Paternostro, and Sabrina Maniscalco, Phys. Rev. A 84, 012314 (2011).

*Spectroscopy and Thermometry of Drumhead Modes in a Mesoscopic Trapped-Ion Crystal Using Entanglement*  
Brian C. Sawyer et al.  
Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol. 108, 213003 (2012)

*Robust trapped-ion quantum logic gates by continuous dynamical decoupling,*  
A. Bermudez, P. O. Schmidt, M. B. Plenio, and A. Retzker  
Phys. Rev. A., Vol. 85, 040302 (2012)

*Temperature-independent quantum logic for molecular spectroscopy,*  
J. Mur-Petit, J. Pérez-Ríos, J. Campos-Martínez, M. I. Hernández, S. Willitsch, J. J. García-Ripoll  
Phys. Rev. A 85, 022308 (2012)

*Quantum superpositions of crystalline structures*

Jens D. Baltrusch, Cecilia Cormick, Gabriele De Chiara, Tommaso Calarco, and Giovanna Morigi  
Phys. Rev. A 84, 063821 (2011)

*Cavity sideband cooling of trapped molecules*

Markus Kowalewski, Giovanna Morigi, Pepijn W.H. Pinkse, and Regina de Vivie-Riedle  
Phys. Rev. A 84, 033408 (2011)

*Quantum light by atomic arrays in optical resonators*

H. Habibian, S. Zippilli, and G. Morigi  
Phys. Rev. A 84, 033829 (2011)

*Entangling two distant oscillators with a quantum reservoir*

A. Wolf, G. De Chiara, E. Kajari, E. Lutz and G. Morigi  
Eur. Phys. Lett. 95, 60008 (2011)

*Tripartite nonlocality and continuous-variable entanglement in thermal states of trapped ions*

Jie Li, Thomás Fogarty, Cecilia Cormick, John Goold, Thomas Busch, and Mauro Paternostro  
Phys. Rev. A 84, 022321 (2011)

*Trapping ions with lasers*

Cecilia Cormick, Tobias Schaetz, and Giovanna Morigi  
New J. Phys. 13, 043019 (2011)

*Designing spin-spin interactions with one and two dimensional ion crystals in planar micro traps*

J. Welzel, A. Bautista-Salvador, C. Abarbanel, V. Wineman-Fisher, C. Wunderlich, R. Folman, and F. Schmidt-Kaler  
Eur. Phys. J. D 65, 285 (2011)

*Rydberg excitation of trapped cold ions: a detailed case study*

F. Schmidt-Kaler, T. Feldker, D. Kolbe, J. Walz, M. Müller, P. Zoller, W. Li, I. Lesanovsky  
New J. Phys. 13, 075014 (2011)

*Fabrication and heating rate study of microscopic surface electrode ion traps*

N. Daniilidis, S. Narayanan, S. A. Möller, R. Clark, T. E. Lee, P. J. Leek, A. Wallraff, St. Schulz, F. Schmidt-Kaler, H. Häffner  
New J. Phys. 13, 013032 (2011)

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The COST-Action MP1001 “Ion Traps for Tomorrow’s Application” has held its scientific kick-off meeting in March 2011 in Heidelberg. There is a rich programme of meetings and collaborations which is actually being set-up for 2011 and 2012, but many of the topics cited below have not yet arrived at maturity to be listed in the following.

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WG1 “Technology” is setting up contacts to industry partners in order to involve them in the ongoing work program. We expect a medium-term implication of at least three economic partners, in order to allow fruitful mutual exchanges.

- *Spin off of new EC RTD Framework Programme proposals/projects. (List)*

The EU FP7 research project “PICC: The Physics of Ion Coulomb Crystals – Thermodynamics, Quantum Control and Quantum Simulators” emerges from the Ion trappers community. One of the workpackages of the AQUATE (Atomic QUantum TEchnologies) Integrating Project is focussed on Trapped Ions and involves several groups of this Action.

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Prof. Stefan Willitsch, Universität Basel:CH, A cold- chemistry laboratory on a chip: microtraps for ultracold molecular ions”

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There is ongoing work with groups from chemistry and biochemistry (T Rizzo, Lausanne/CH, R Antoine, Lyon/F and others) about technological aspects of ion trapping, and on the interrogation protocols of ions. It is too early to evaluate these contacts in terms of mean term impact.

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The Action has not yet a full year of lifetime. 16 countries have signed the MoU until now and there is work in progress to associate various colleagues from non-COST Institutes, in particular in the US, but also special agreements with a group from South Africa (Dr. Hermann Uys, CSIR, Pretoria), and one from Australia (Prof. Dave Kielpinski, Griffith University, Brisbane).

The Action has held its scientific kick-off in March in Heidelberg, with a total of 75 participants (13 female; 32 ESR) in a three-day meeting. One afternoon session was dedicated on a colloquium on the "Variation of Fundamental Constants"; all other time-slots had been reserved for the presentation of groups and the discussion of the programs of the different WGs. In fact, every group had a 10-minute slot to present its organisation and topics, three dedicated template slides gave insight into the expectance of the groups towards the Action and their future involvement. The extremely sunny spring weather in a charming location contributed to a very fruitful meeting which initiated many contacts and several spontaneous candidates for future organisations.

A more specialized workshop has been the Workshop on Quantum Information and Quantum Dynamics in Ion Traps (Qion'11) in Madrid from 26 to 29 April 2011. 35 participants attended this meeting, which has been a joint venture between Working Groups 2 and 3. Only three participants were female, but 18 were ESR !

A special issue on the Physics of Trapped Ions is scheduled to appear in autumn 2011 in Applied Physics B as a follow-up of last-year's European Conference on Trapped Ions which was held before the official start of the Action. 29 manuscripts have been submitted to this issue, and the refereeing process is still ongoing.

It has turned out that there is a large demand to work on technical topics. A dedicated meeting (joint WG1 and WG3) is therefore scheduled in spring of 2012.

Several bilateral projects have been initiated at the scientific kick-off in early spring. There is ongoing work, which will be reported next year.