

## LOFAR: UK (not BLOW)

Meetings since 2004

Management committee formed based on internal MOU

## Current members hip:

Southampton, Oxford, Cambridge, Portsmouth, RAL, Manchester, Hertfordshire, Edinburgh, Durham, LJMU, Glasgow, UCL, Cardiff

Potential additional members:

The Open University, Aberys twyth

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Project Leaders: Rob Fender (Southampton), Steve Rawlings (Oxford)

Technical coordinator (Rob Beswick, Manchester)
Scientific coordinator (Philip Best, Edinburgh)
e-Science/HPC coordinator (Bob Nichol, Portsmouth)

+ Treasurer team, Site installation team, Networking /UKERNA team

Science case: 80-page white paper drafted and released April 2007

Surveys (All partners!)
EoR (Durham, Edinburgh)
Transients (Southampton, MSSL, LJMU, Manchester, RAL)
Cosmic Rays (UCL)

## LOFAR:UK

Possible station sites and relation to LOFAR

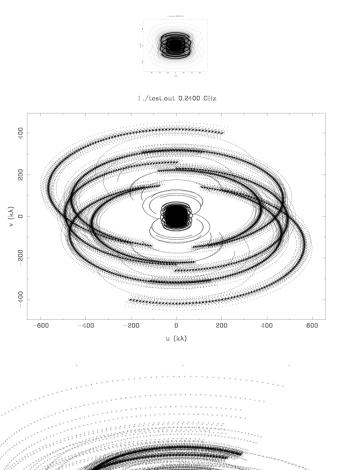
Edinburgh: 850 km baseline (University Science park – has fibre connection etc)

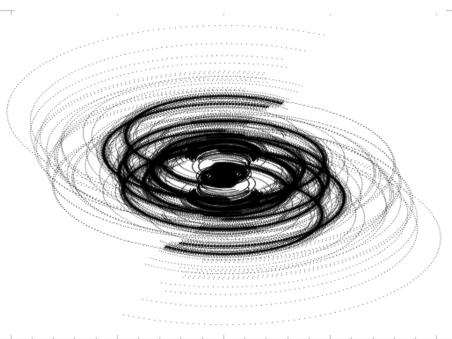
Jodrell: 650 km baseline (U. Man land, e-MERLIN fibre)

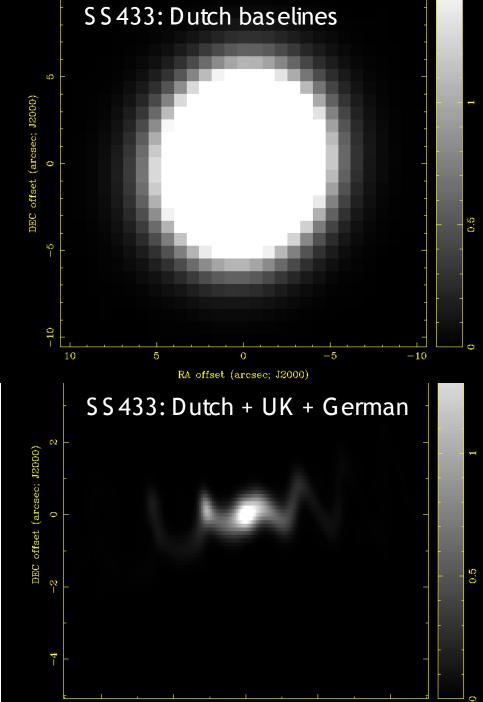
Lords Bridge: 450 km baseline (U. Camb land, e-MERLIN fibre)

Chilbolton: 600 km baseline (RAL land, no fibre at present)









## Funding:

Nearly €1M raised already → intend to use this to purchase first LOFAR:UK station this summer (to be located at Jodrell Bank or Lord's Bridge)

Bid to SUPA2 (summer 2007) for €0.75M

Additional bids to regional funding (including public outreach at regional science centres)

Target is four LOFAR: UK stations by 2010