Molecules:

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Information concerning your project:

- Search for .e.-EDM using YbF system. [Nature 473(7348):493-496 26 May 2011]

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- link to a recent talk:

- specific features (some keywords):

YbF molecular beam, 3K supersonic source, laser-radiofrequency double resonance spectroscopy, multichannel phase sensitive detection to monitor experimental parameters.

- major challenges (some keywords): Reversibility of the 14kV/cm electric field to better than 0.5V/cm. Other than that, it appears that in the near future the experiment will be limited by counting statistics.

- schedule, aimed at sensitivity and timeline for results:

Our goal from our latest round of funding is to improve our recent measurement by a factor of 20, at least to 4e-29 e.cm: http://gow.epsrc.ac.uk/NGBOViewGrant.aspx?GrantRef=EP/J011401/1

We are taking good quality data now and hope to improve by about a factor of three this year.

This grant runs to March 2016. We are thinking of a YbF fountain experiment which would have even greater sensitivity, but this is still speculative.

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