

THE FIRST CAMPAIGN OF THE BRAIN EXPERIMENT IN DOME-C

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The BRAIN experiment is based on a bolometric interferometer which will be installed at Dome-C to measure with high precision the B-modes polarization of the Cosmic Microwave Background and the diffuse interstellar emission. We report results from the first campaign we have carried out this year at Dome-C. The goal of this campaign was to install the experiment and to test a cryogenic system able to operate automatically during the Antarctic winter. With this system we have also carried out a measurement of the Stokes parameters I,Q,U,V of atmospheric emission at 145 GHz.