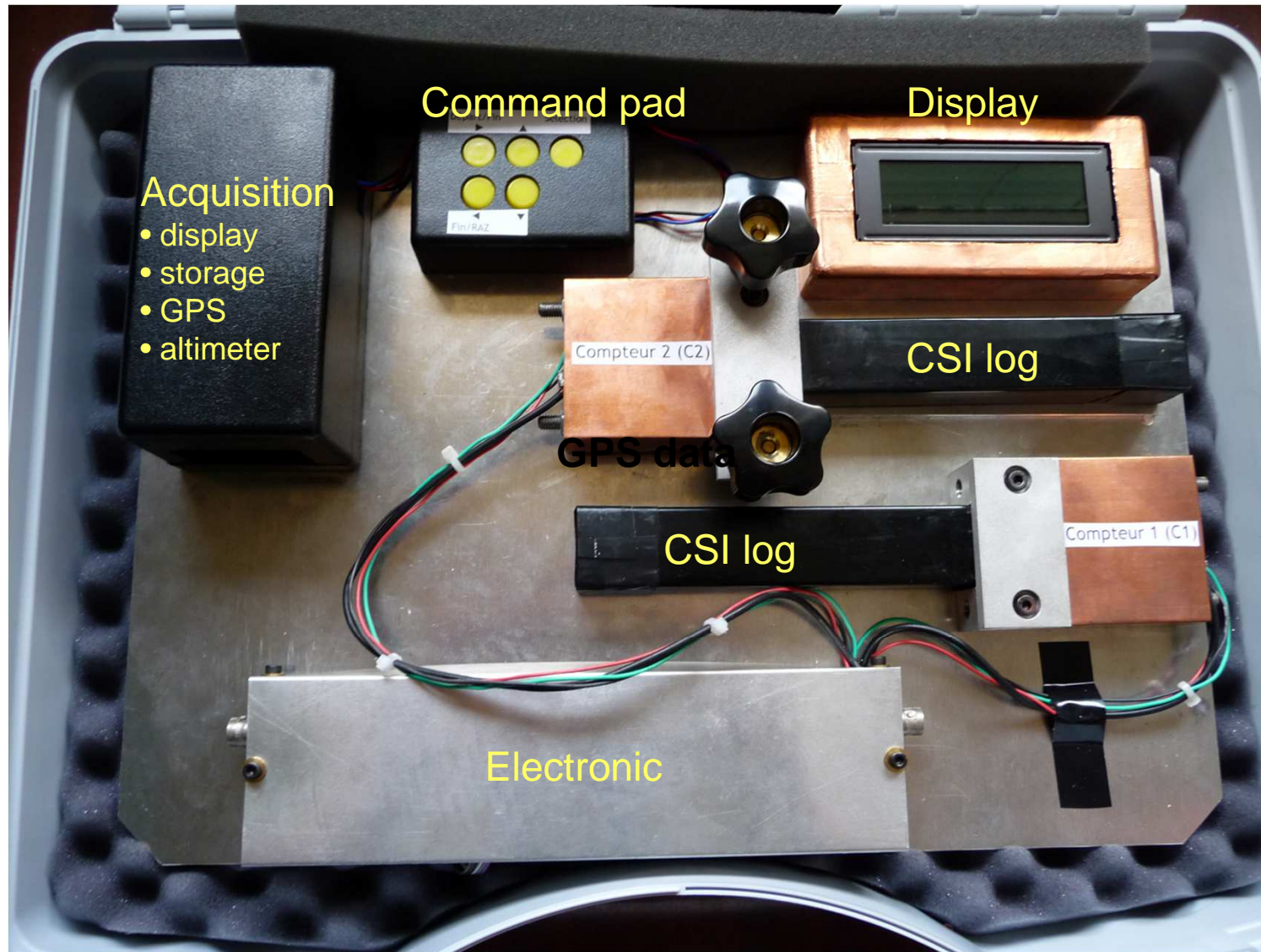


The COSMIX kit



COSMIX

<https://www.cenbg.in2p3.fr/grand-public-scolaires/les-rayons-cosmiques-au-lycee/cosmix/>

Designed by CEN-Bordeaux Gradignan

Case usable by a teacher or student without any specific training

Simple: no tuning

Cost effective: material recycling

Portable: USB powered

Data free of background

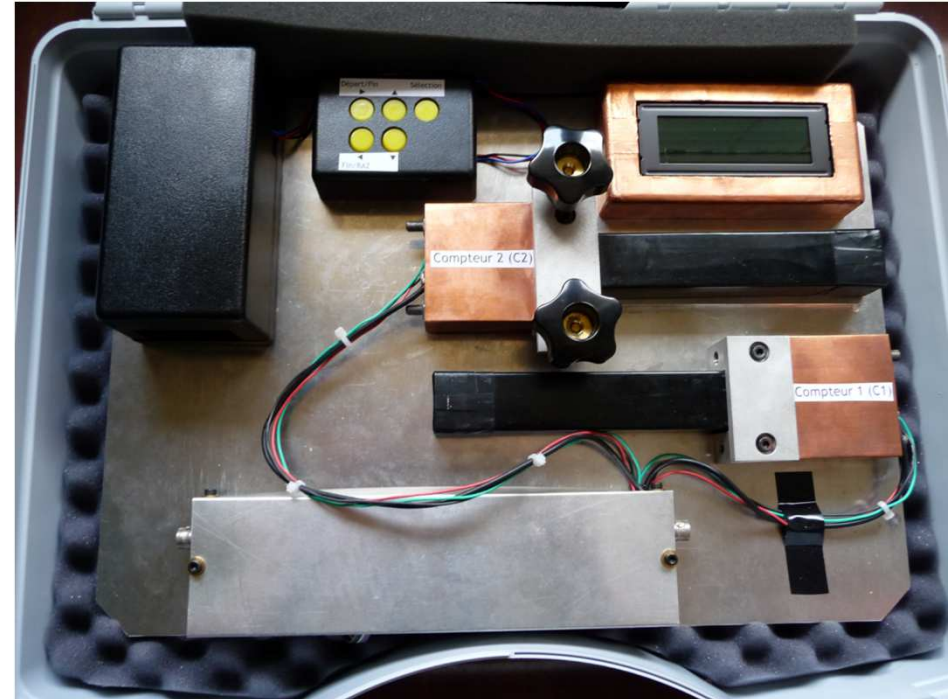
Allows the existence of atmospheric muons to be demonstrated

Visualisation of pulses with a simple oscilloscope – Buzzer

Counting and data logging via arduino and SD card

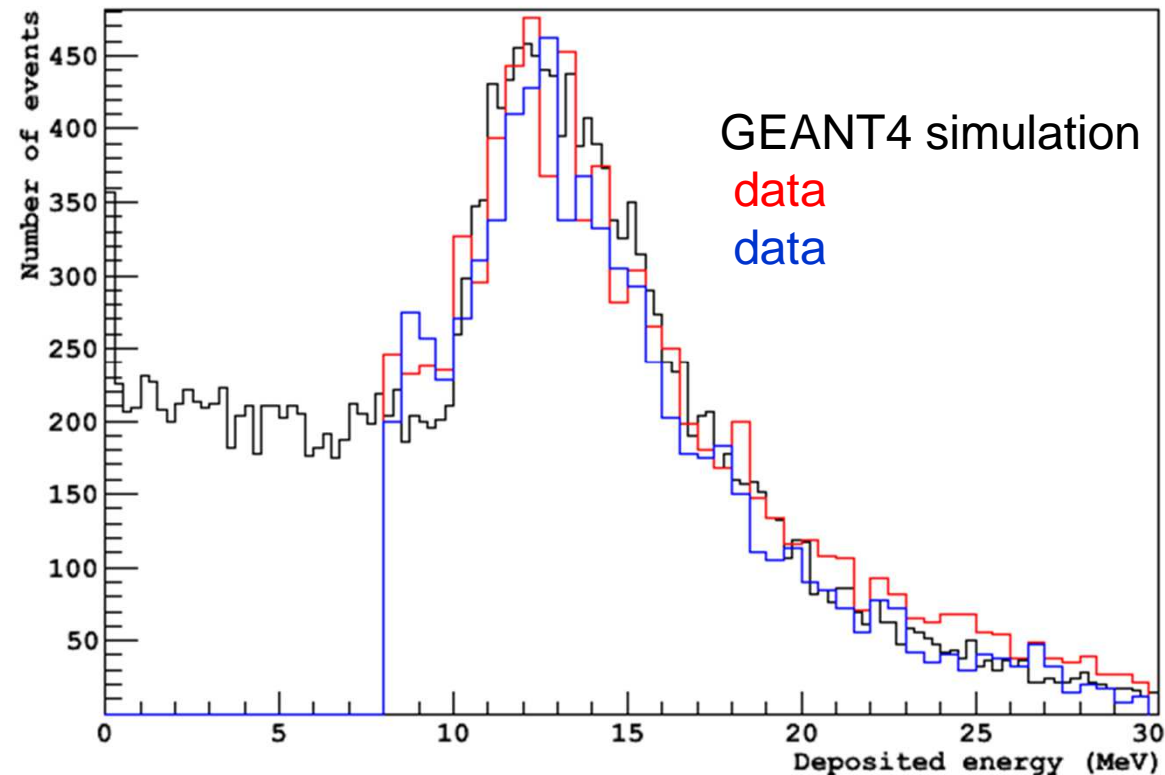
Fitted with a GPS and altimeter

Status: 51 kits built, 25 of which circulating in high-schools, the rest mainly used by professional scientists for outreach activities



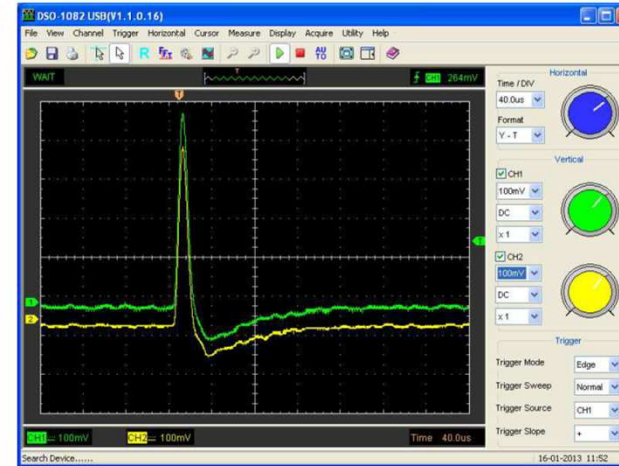
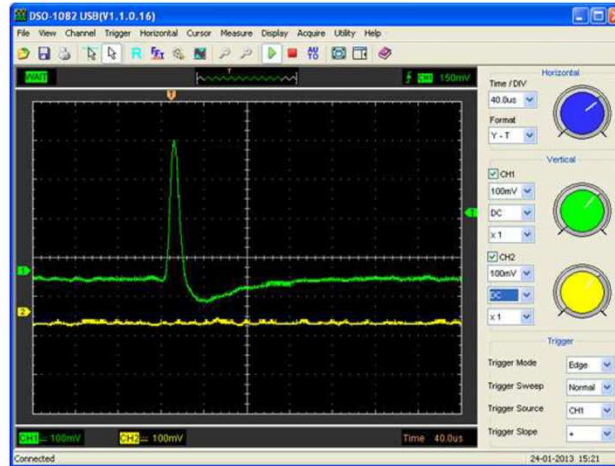
Deposited-energy distribution

Thanks to the CsI density of 4.51, vertical muons deposit an energy of about 12 MeV in each bar (see Figure). This is considerably more than what the natural radioactivity can produce, so with a proper setting of the electronics the counting can be made essentially free of background.

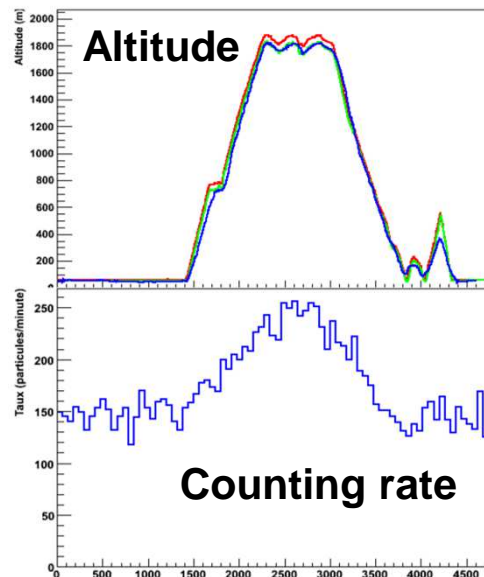


Examples of measurements

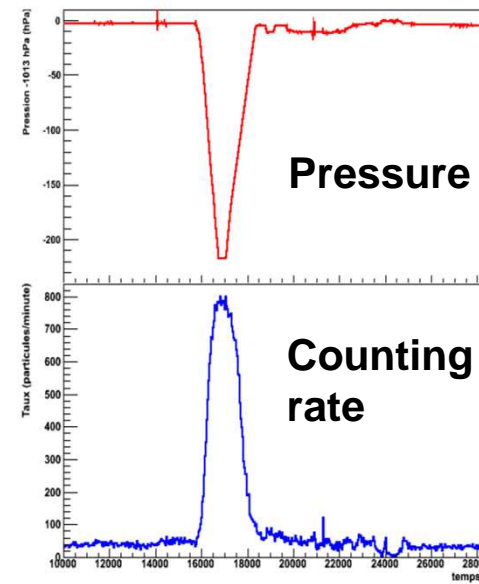
- **Scope signals** – a single counter coincidence between two counters



- **Flights**

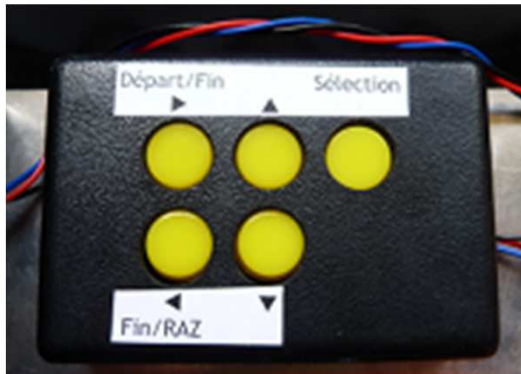


on a general aviation airplane (up to 1800 m)

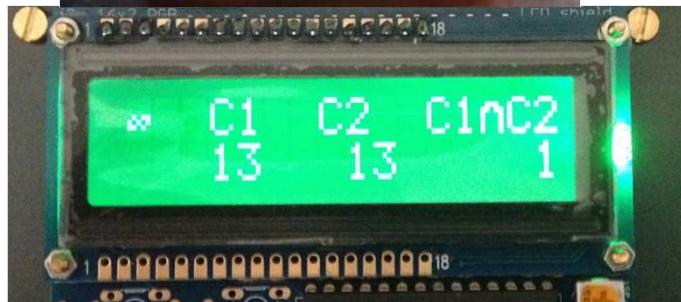


on an airliner for a flight at ~10 000m

Menu



Temperature
Pressure data



Nominal counting

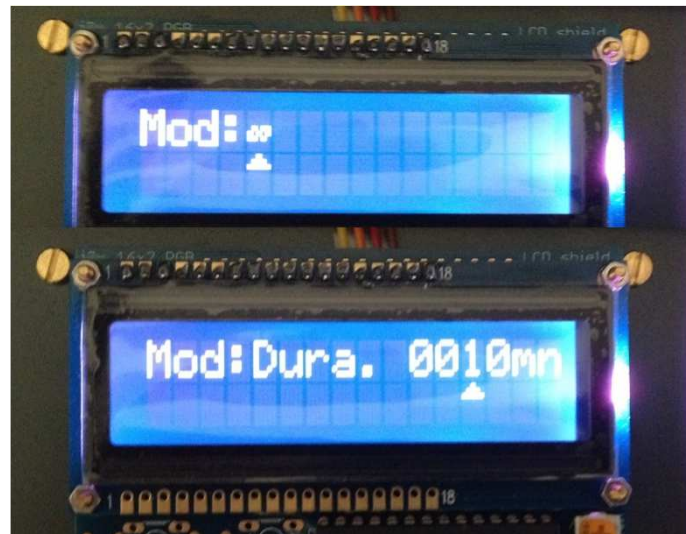
GPS data



Date

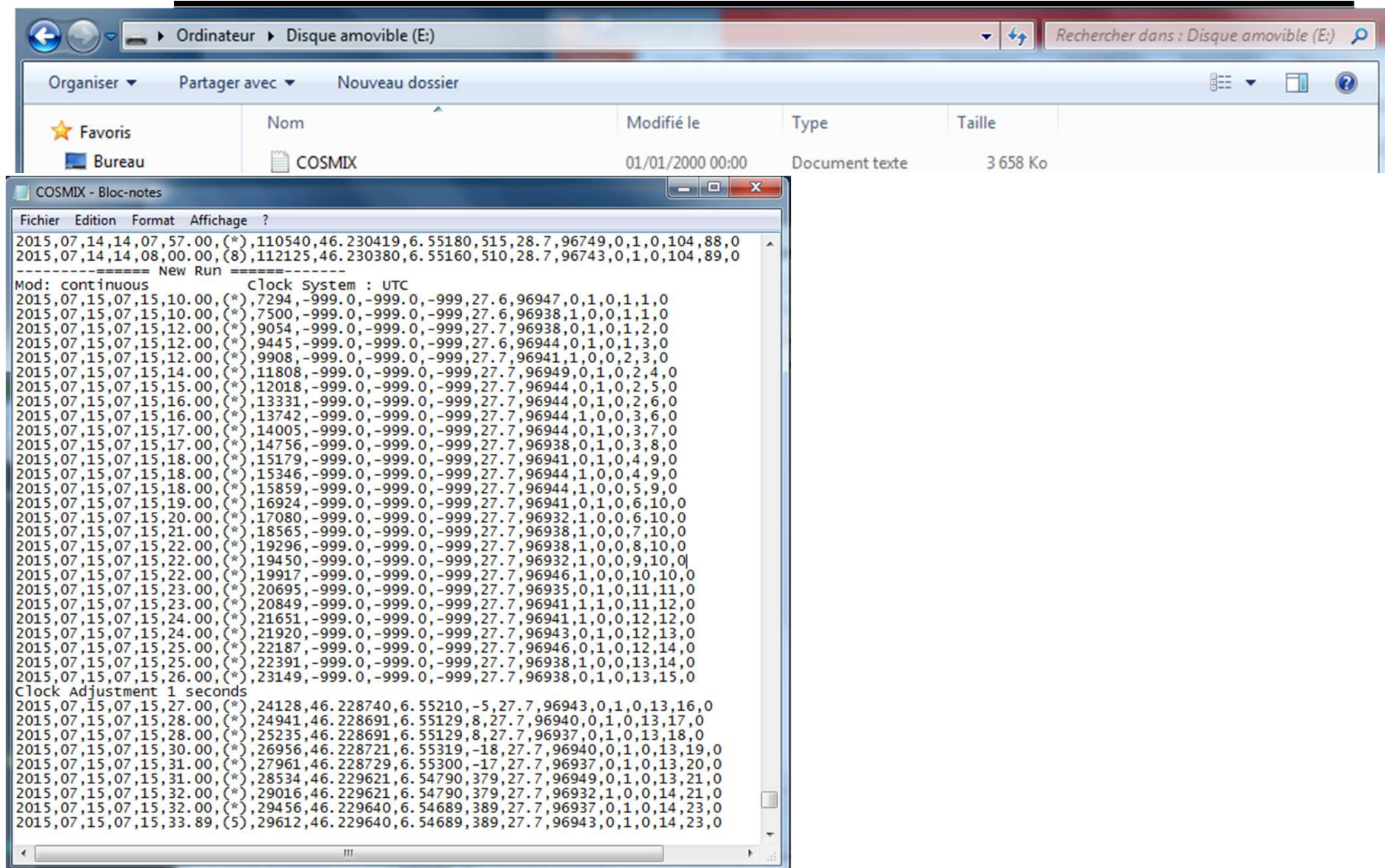


Turning
Buzzer ON/OFF



Setting the run duration

Data format



y, mo, d, hr, min, s, (GPS sat.), Ton*(1/100 s), long, lat, alt (m), T(°C), P(Pa), Tr1, Tr2, Tr1∩Tr2, C1, C2, C1∩C2
 * time lapse since powered on

