# The CALorimetric Electron Telescope (CALET) Launch and Early On-Orbit Performance

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# **CALorimetric Electron Telescope Summary**



### **Science Objectives**

Nearby Cosmic-ray Sources

Dark Matter

**Origin and Acceleration of Cosmic Rays** 

Cosmic – ray Propagation in the Galaxy

**Solar Physics** 

Gamma-ray Transients



CGBM Measurement Capability

High energy photons: 7 keV – 20 MeV

### **CAL Measurement Capability**

Electrons: 1 GeV – 20 TeV Gamma-rays: 10 GeV – 10\*TeV Gamma-ray bursts: > 1 GeV Heavy ions  $(1 \le Z \le 28)$ : 10's GeV – 1,000\* TeV Ultra Heavy (Z > 28): > 600 MeV/nucleon



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## **CAL Instrument Overview**

Field of view: ~ 45 degrees (from the zenith) Geometrical Factor: 0.12 m<sup>2</sup>sr (for electrons)



### **Unique features of CALET**

Thick, fully active calorimeter: Allows measurements well into the TeV energy region with excellent energy resolution

Fine imaging upper calorimeter: Accurately identify the starting point of electromagnetic showers.

Detailed shower characterization: Lateral and longitudinal development of showers enables electrons and abundant protons to be powerfully separated.

	CHD (Charge Detector)	IMC (Imaging Calorimeter)	TASC (Total Absorption Calorimeter)
Function	Charge Measurement (Z=1-46)	Arrival Direction, Particle ID	Energy Measurement, Particle ID
Sensor (+ Absorber)	Plastic Scintillator : 14 × 1 layer (x,y) Unit Size: 32mm x 10mm x 450mm	SciFi : 448 x 8 layers (x,y) = 7168 Unit size: 1mm <sup>2</sup> x 448 mm Total thickness of Tungsten: 3 X <sub>0</sub>	PWO log: 16 x 6 layers (x,y)= 192 Unit size: 19mm x 20mm x 326mm Total Thickness of PWO: 27 X <sub>0</sub>
Readout	PMT+CSA	64 -anode PMT+ ASIC	APD/PD+CSA PMT+CSA ( for Trigger)
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## **CAL Hardware Components**



### **CAL constituent equipments**







#### CHD: 14 × 1 layer (x,y) Unit Size: 32mm x 10mm x 450mm



IMC : 448 x 8 layers (x,y) = 7168 Unit size: 1mm<sup>2</sup> x 448 mm



TASC: 16 x 6 layers (x,y)= 192 Unit size: 19mm x 20mm x 326mm









## **CALET** is now on the ISS !

Tanegashima Space Center to the ISS.





**(4**) August 25th: CALET is emplaced on port #9 of the JEM-EF and data communication with the payload is established.





rocket by the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) at

20:50:49 (local time), CALET started its journey from

**2** August 24th: The HTV-5 Transfer Vehicle (HTV-5) is grabbed by the ISS robotic arm.



(3) August 25th: The HTV-5 docks to the ISS at 2:28 (JSTT).



# Launch to the initial operation (1)



- (1) Launch on 8/19 via H-IIB/HTV5. Dock on 8/25 to JEM port 9. No problem for their start up.
- (2) Performed the function checkout during 8/25 to 10/8. Confirmed there were no problems on their functions and performances.
- (3) Until 11/17, 90 days after the launch, conducted an observation to achieve the minimum mission success and obtained an appropriate amount of data. Since then, the observation has been carried out according to the steady processes.





## Launch to the initial operation (2)





CGBM: First observed GRB event light curve(GRB 151006A) April APS 2016 Meeting

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# **Overview of trigger modes for CALET**

High Energy Shower Trigger (HE)

- High energy electrons (10GeV ~20TeV)
- High energy gamma rays ( $10 \text{GeV} \sim 10 \text{TeV}$ )
- Nuclei (a few10GeV~000TeV)

Low Energy Shower Trigger (LE)



- Low energy electron at high latitude  $(1 \text{GeV} \sim 10 \text{GeV})$
- GeV gamma-rays originated from GRB (1GeV  $\sim$ )
- Ultra heavy nuclei (combined with heavy mode)





(\*) In addition to above 3 trigger modes, heavy modes are defined for each of the above trigger mode. They are omitted here for simple explanation.

Auto Trigger (Pedestal/Test Pulse)



- For calibration: ADC offset measurement (Pedestal), FEC's response measurement (Test pulse)

Predominantly, timestamped changes of trigger setting are described in schedule command file. It makes possible to take pedestals, penetrating particles, low energy electrons at high latitude, and other dedicated data in addition to the most important high energy shower data.

# **Data Acquisition and Observed Event Number**

Observing time and event number in high energy trigger mode (>10GeV) for 111 days from 13.10.2015-31.1.2016

Observing (Live) TimeAccumulated Event Number





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## **Very Preliminary Charge Histogram**

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### Charge measurement in CHD

### [Analysis method]

- After determining the incident position of CHD from the reconstructed track in IMC, the average of pulse height (MIP) is measured.
- Charge is corrected by using a track path length related to zenith angle.

We still have relatively poor statistics for odd-Z nuclei that are less abundant and heavier than oxygen. However, the atomic nuclei up to iron are clearly identified with the CHD only. By using additional information from IMC, more precise identification will be performed from now on ( $\Delta z = 0.1-0.35$  in beau Counts Counts 

Si

(CHD-X+CHD-Y)/2 [MIP]

Mg

Ne



(CHD-X+CHD-Y)/2 [MIP]





- CALET was successfully launched on HTV-5 from Tanegashima Space Center on August 19, 2015 at 8:50:49 p.m (JST).
- CALET was successfully berthed to the ISS on August 25<sup>th</sup> and began a functional checkout phase until the beginning of October 2015.
- CALET completed a calibration and initial operation phase on Nov 17, 2015, whence it began its standard operation phase.
- CALET has measured Cosmic Ray nuclei through iron, Cosmic Ray electrons & positrons, and astrophysical gamma-rays.
- CALET's CGBM has measured the light-curves of 8 GRB's as on Jan 1, 2016.
- From Oct 13, 2015 Jan 31, 2016 nearly 4.6 x 10<sup>5</sup> electron candidate events over 10 GeV have been observed.