# **Interdisciplinary Physics**

- Atmospheric and Environmental Physics
  - Prof. Patrick Esby
- □ Laser Physics

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## Soft and Complex Matter

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We are physicists! Collaboration with other fields, applications in other fields.

# Atmospheric and Environmental Physics group

- Projects to improve numerical weather prediction and climate models using remote sensing instrumentation and data:
  - Ground based instrumentation
    - Advanced meteor-wind radar at Trondheim
    - Airglow imaging and spectroscopy at Trondheim
    - mm-wave radiometer for atmospheric composition in Antarctica
    - EISCAT
  - Space borne instrumentation
    - Sounding of Atmosphere using Broadband Emission Radiometry (SABER) on NASA-TIMED
    - NASA Aeronomy of Ice in the Mesosphere (AIM) satellite
    - Swedish Mesosphere Airglow and Transient Signatures (MATS) satellite



Ice in the Mesosphere

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### The Laser Physics group works in the three main directions:

- Ultrafast mid-infrared solid-state laser technology
- Novel all-fiber pulsed laser systems



- Applications in fundamental science, NFR project UNLOCK together with CERN and leading University groups in Austria, Germany, France, and USA (Stanford and Caltech)
- Industrial applications: applications es to high-resolution spectroscopy, trace gas and remote-sensing, breath analysis, LIDAR, ranging and imaging, semiconductor material processing (e.g. Si for solar cells).

together with Norwegian and European industry, NTNU spin-off ATLA Lasers AS in frames of the European ERA-NET projects MARTEC MLR, NANOMAT or ENERGIX NFR programs NTNU – Trondheim Norwegian University of Science and Technology



#### High-end clean room laser labs and a optical fiber drawing tower in K1 building





A state-of-the-art Specialty fiber drawing tower

Can draw silica, plastic, other tissue friendly fibers, dispersion compensation fibers, delivery fibers



Upcoming master thesises – please, contact Irina.Sorokina@ntnu.no Example: Positronium Laser Cooling – collaboration w/UiO & CERN

# Soft and Complex Matter

https://www.softcomlab.com/

#### Colloidal self-assembly /natural materials

- Soft composite materials: clays and cellulose
- Self-assembly of colloids and nanoparticles in fluids
- Complex fluids: rheology, microcapsules, structural colors



http://soft-matter.seas.harvard.edu/



Liquid crystal



- X-ray scattering from nano-layered materials (clays)
- Hetero structures: clay-graphene stacks •
- Experiment in ultra-high vacuum environment .
- New materials for applications like storage (CO2) • or environmental remediation.



Experiment in an ultra-highvacuum environment



Structural color with clay (NTNU)

Ni nanoparticles on a muscovite mica substrate

(Fossum, Raaen, Knaapila, Dommersnes)

FILMANN

(Emulsion)

# Animate Soft Matter

https://www.softcomlab.com/

## Dynamic self-assembly

- Use external electric or magnetic fields
- Out of equilibrium self-assembly
- New materials with designed electric/magnetic properties, capsules technology, responsive materials



**Experiments & Theory** 

(Fossum, Dommersnes)

# Active Soft Matter

- Particles (cells, animals..) generate their own force
- Collective dynamics, geometry, topology,...



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