MUON MEASUREMENT WITH AN ICE CHERENKOV TANK AT THE SOUTH POLE

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An $1.2m^3$ ice Cherenkov detector was installed within the array of the South Pole Air Shower Experiment (SPASE) during the 2000-2001 austral summer. The penetrating muon rate was measured for three different incident angles with a scintillator muon telescope incorporating the tank as absorber. The freezing process was monitored and the detector was calibrated with the penetrating muons. The calibration is compared to a GEANT simulation of the detector. We are also running the detector with the trigger from SPASE. Results of these measurements will be presented.