

ATACAMA LARGE MILLIMETER ARRAY: Chronology

- 1983-1989** U.S. Community Science Workshops on the design of a Synthesis Array for Millimeter-wave Astronomy
- 1990 July** Proposal for the Millimeter Array (MMA) submitted to the National Science Foundation (NSF) by Associated Universities, Inc.
- 1991 May** MMA Ranked Highest Priority Project for Radio Astronomy in the Decade of the 1990s by the National Research Council Board on Physics And Astronomy
- 1994 November** National Science Board (NSB) approves a Project Development Plan for the MMA and endorses further planning.
- 1998 May** NSB authorizes the expenditure of \$26M for a three-year MMA Design and Development program.
- 1999 June** NSF signs Memorandum of Understanding with European Institutions for a joint Design and Development Phase of the Atacama Large Millimeter Array (ALMA), a project that Joins the MMA with the European Large Southern Array project
- 2000 May** National Research Council Board on Physics and Astronomy reaffirms the priority importance of ALMA to U.S. science and urges expeditious completion of ALMA

