

Podcast: Life at the South Pole Science Station

Two physicists and a chef talk about the joys and challenges of spending the entire polar winter at the Amundsen–Scott South Pole Station.

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In this episode of *This is Physics*, *Physics Magazine* speaks with two researchers and a chef who have spent the entire polar night at the Amundsen–Scott South Pole Station. The two researchers work with telescopes observing the cosmic microwave background.

Podcast host **Julie Gould** speaks with the following guests: **Thomas Leps**, BICEP/NSF/University of Minnesota; **Allen Foster**, SPT/NSF/Case Western Reserve University; **Kelly Murphy**, breakfast/pastry sous-chef, NSF.

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