

ACCESS TO THE LABORATORY TRAVEL INFORMATION AND ACCESS TO "l'Orme des Merisiers" (The Elm of the Wild cherry trees)

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NB: internet web sites of CEA, IRFU DPhN, ESNT include most of these information and easy checking can be done by making search in your favorite Web browser with key words like "CEA DPhN Orme des Merisiers Access". For last updates of the timetables, buses, trains, checking can be done with the references given below for the web site for public transportation.

Place and access to the laboratory

The DPhN laboratory is administratively attached to the IRFU institute of the CEA-Saclay institution but we work outside from the main Saclay center, which is located around 22 km south-west of Paris.

Our site is called Orme des Merisiers, also on the plateau but at nearly 3 km distance from the CEA center East gate (5 km from the North entrance gate of CEA-Saclay).

It means that you should always go directly to l'Orme.

There is in principle no access control entering l'Orme and no badge is needed.

In case of checking by the security guards at the entrance of Orme, you will have to show your identity papers (passport) and indicate that you visit DPhN for seminars.

It is rather rare but in case, you need to have all your papers with you, and if needed you indicate the name of your contact persons at DPhN, building 703, namely the organizers, or the DPhN secretary (tel: 01 69 08 73 54).

Travel by train

Map, travel plans and timetables of public transportation

SNCF <https://www.sncf.com> (English) <https://www.sncf.com/en>

In Paris region RATP <https://www.ratp.fr> Plans <https://www.ratp.fr/plans>

(English) <https://www.ratp.fr/en> Maps <https://www.ratp.fr/en/plans-lignes>

The easiest way to reach CEA Saclay is to go first to "**Le Guichet**" RER station which is situated on the (blue) line B. <https://www.ratp.fr/en/plans-lignes/rer/b>

Information on train lines connecting airports can be found on the web site:

<https://www.ratp.fr/en/plans-lignes/acces-aeroports>

From the Roissy CdG airport, take the RER Line B, which connects with downtown Paris and with the area of Saclay and Orsay located South of Paris.

The direction is "Saint Rémy-les Chevreuse", and the stop station is Le Guichet. Travel will take around 1 hour 15 min.

Please note that not all trains on line B stop at all stations.

Before entering a train, check that the train you take stops at « Le Guichet » (there are annunciator panels on the platform indicating the list of serviced stations; on the board, if the light is on it means that the train stops at the place).

In most, but not all, cases you will have to take a train to "St-Rémy-les-Chevreuse" when coming from Paris.

Timetable indications can be found on the RER B line web site of ratp.

From central Paris stations, frequency of the train shuttles stopping at Le Guichet is nearly every 15 or 20 minutes.

From RER stations Le Châtelet or Denfert-Rochereau, trains to direction "St Rémy les Chevreuse" stop at Le Guichet after nearly 33 or 25 minutes, respectively.

From the airport Orly, go to the station "Antony" of line RER B by taking the line "Orlyval" (cf www.ratp.fr) and direction is "Saint Rémy- les Chevreuse", the stop station is **Le Guichet**.

Otherwise you may take **bus n°91-10** from Antony,

direction is "gare de St-Quentin-en-Yvelines", and the stop is "l'Orme des Merisiers".

NB: If you are at Massy-Palaiseau station, you may take either the **n°91-06** or the **n°91-10** direction to "Saclay Christ de Saclay" station, stop at "l'Orme des Merisiers".

It takes between 15 and 20 minutes.

Cf line 91-06 and 91-10 on <http://www.albatrans.net> for timetables.

(<https://www.transdev-idf.com/ligne-9106/massy-saclay/006-261>)

At the station "Le Guichet" (Fig. 1) to go to "l'Orme des Merisiers", take the **public bus**.

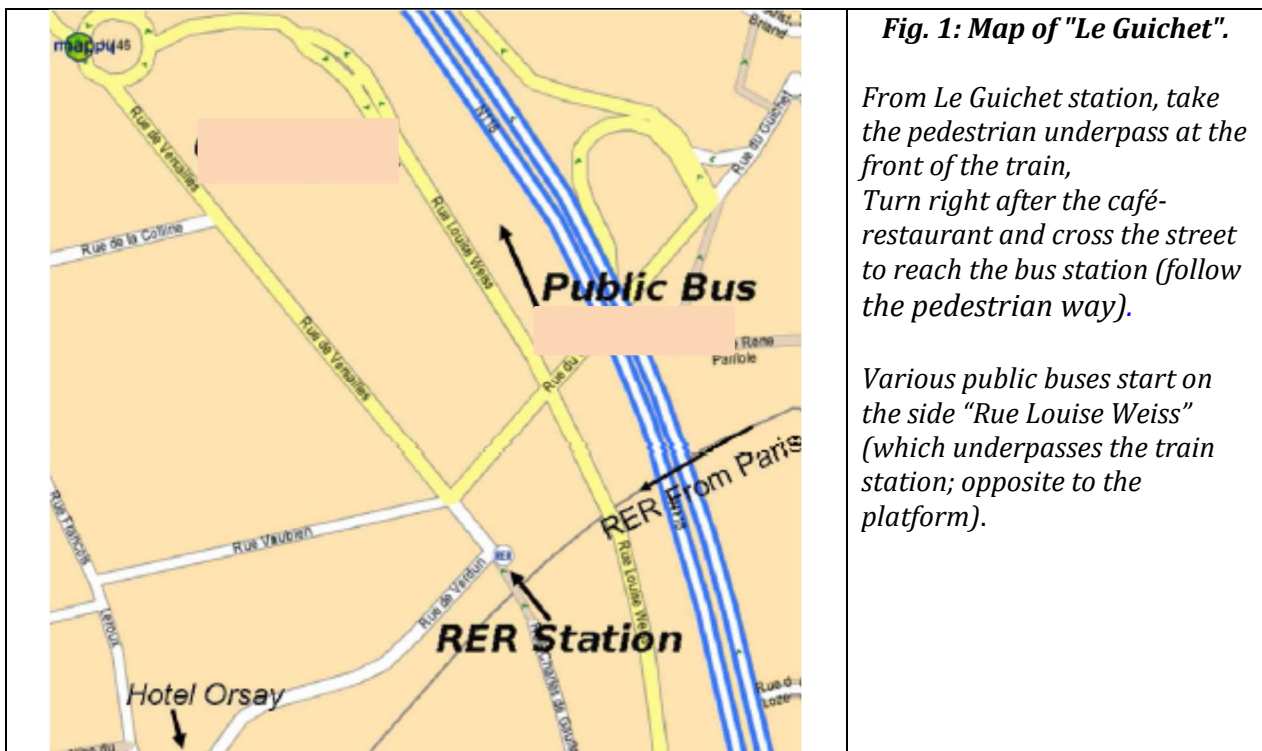


Fig. 1: Map of "Le Guichet".

From Le Guichet station, take the pedestrian underpass at the front of the train, Turn right after the café-restaurant and cross the street to reach the bus station (follow the pedestrian way).

Various public buses start on the side "Rue Louise Weiss" (which underpasses the train station; opposite to the platform).

Take a bus number 9, direction is to Saclay. In the daily hours, there is a bus approximately every 15 minutes. **Going to Orme takes around 10 to 15 minutes.**

[N.B.: The bus network for Orsay is given on: <https://www.transdev-idf.com/plan-et-horaires/Orsay>]

→ See <https://www.transdev-idf.com/ligne-9/les-ulis-jouy-en-josas/006-006> for timetables.

→ See the line map below **Fig. 2**. The bus stop station is "**Orme des Merisiers**".

If you miss the stop, Saint-Aubin is the next stop, close to the entrance gate.

→ Ticket: you can use the Paris subway "ticket-t" (2019: 1,90 Euros for a single one)

It can also be purchased on the bus from the driver. <https://www.ratp.fr/fr/ratp/c.21158/ticket-t>

N.B. The weekly or monthly Navigo pass can be used on this bus.

This bus will drive you to the plateau of Saclay. Get off at the stop located close to the Orme entrance (cf **Fig. 2** list of bus stops).

Once at “Orme des Merisiers” go to the **building 703** (See below the map, **Fig. 3**).
In the evening, to go to « le Guichet » (check updated timetable on the panel close to the secretary office), use also the **Public bus #9**, stop: in front of “Orme des Merisiers”.

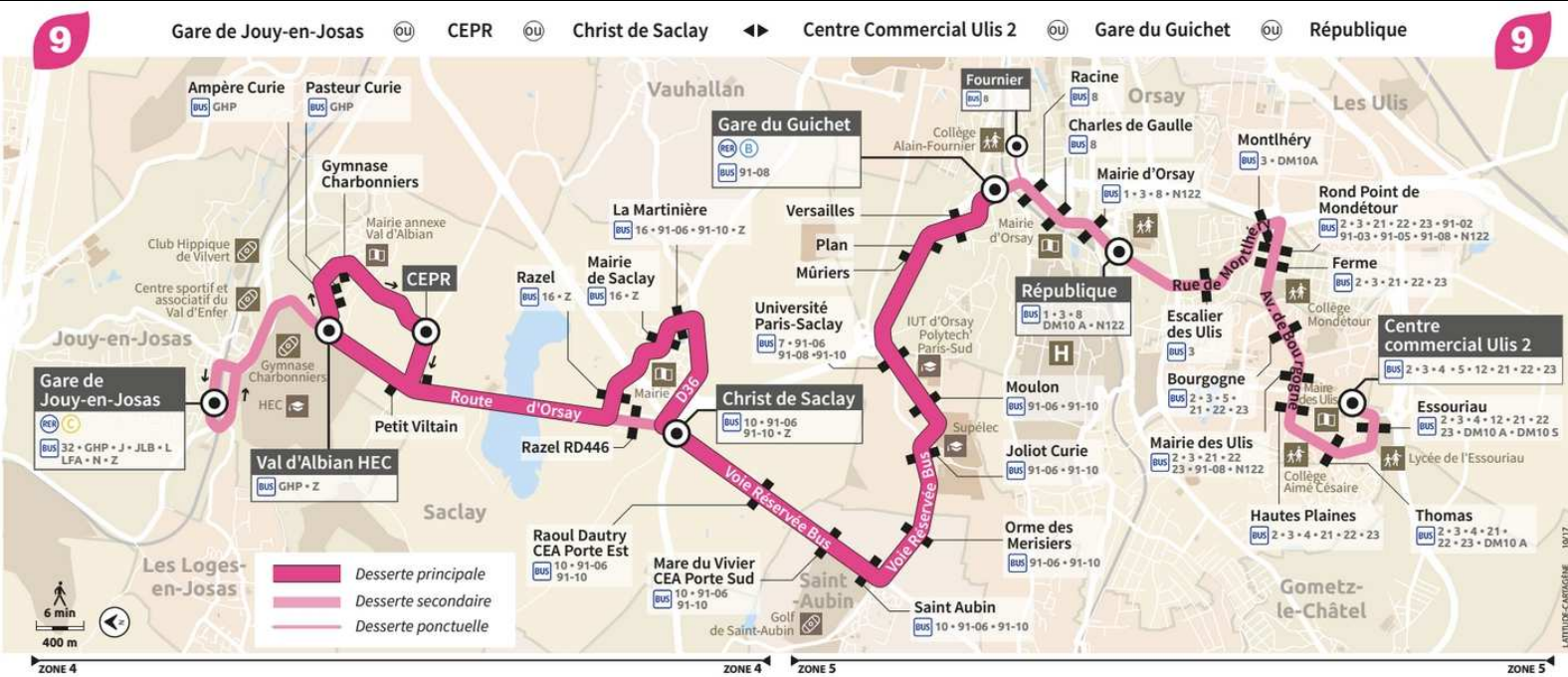


Fig 2. Line 9. The bus stops at “Orme des Merisiers”. In direction to Saclay, the next stop is Saint-Aubin.

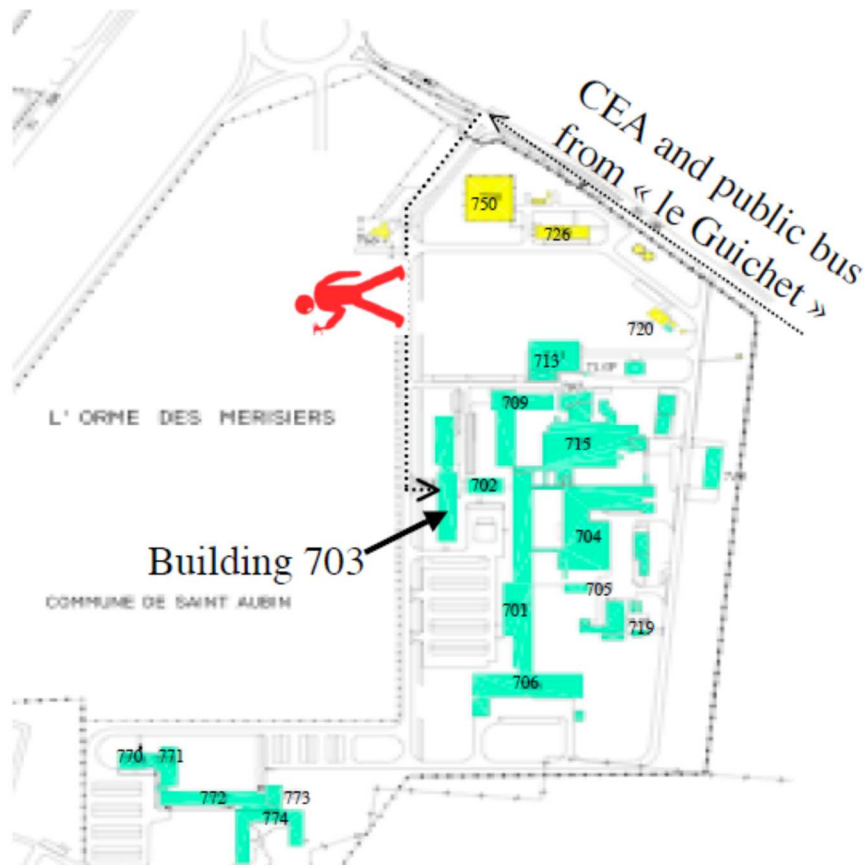


Fig 3. Map of the CEA buildings at l'Orme.

Travel by car cf Fig.4.

From the cross road “Christ de Saclay”, follow the N306 road, direction is St-Aubin, Gif/Yvette, this N306 road is along the CEA center;

after 300 m, you will arrive to a first traffic cross road (which connects to the INSTN gate of CEA-Saclay) ;

you go on straight away on the N306, and after driving 500m, there is a second traffic cross road, you turn to the left (to the right it goes to St-Aubin, straight line to Gif-sur-Yvette).

Follow the road (D128), and after ~200m, after a fire cross road, turn to the right and **go slowly, be careful that there are bus and bicycles circulating in the path road just before the entrance gate of Orme des Merisiers.**

Just after the entrance, there is a small circle traffic cross road (be careful again with people walking and biking around), go straight.

(NB. to the right of the small circle, it is the entrance gate of the Soleil facility).

There, follow the road straight away [50m] on your left, there are the buildings 703 (DPHn) and 709 (Dap) [see above Fig. 3]. You can park easily your car in the car park located close to the South entrance of the building 703.



Figure 4. Road Map around the CEA Saclay center, location of the CEA-Orme des Merisiers site.