



# UGAP2022

*Unraveling the History of the Universe and Matter Evolution with Underground Physics*

# Low Temperature Thermal Calorimeters for $0\nu\beta\beta$ search Technology and its Perspective

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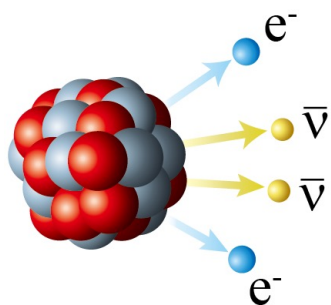
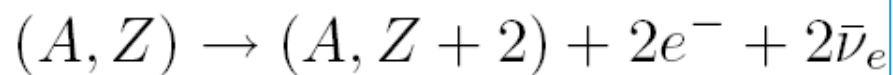
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# Double beta decay w. & wo. $\nu$ emission

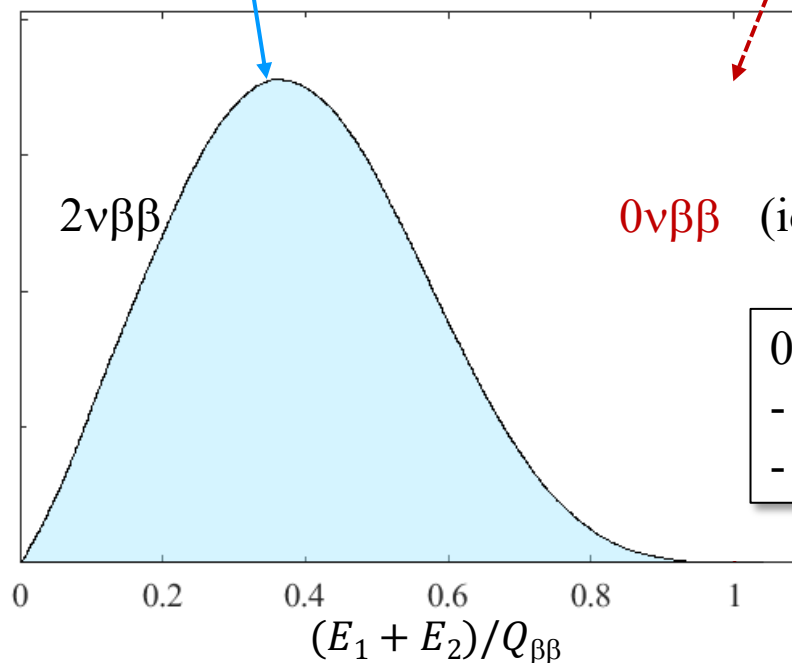
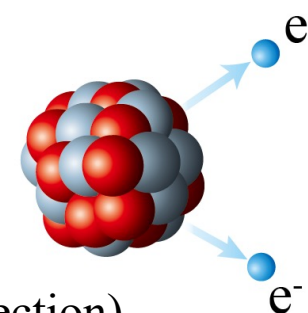
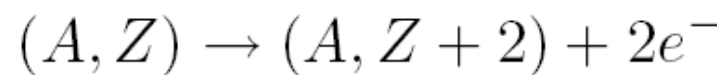
## 2 $\nu$ mode

- A conventional
- 2nd order weak process in NP



## 0 $\nu$ mode

- A hypothetical process only if  $m_{\nu} \neq 0$ ,  $\bar{\nu} = \nu$ ,  $|\Delta L| = 2$



0 $\nu\beta\beta$  signal characteristics

- A peak at Q
- Two electrons from a vertex

# $0\nu\beta\beta$ Experiments

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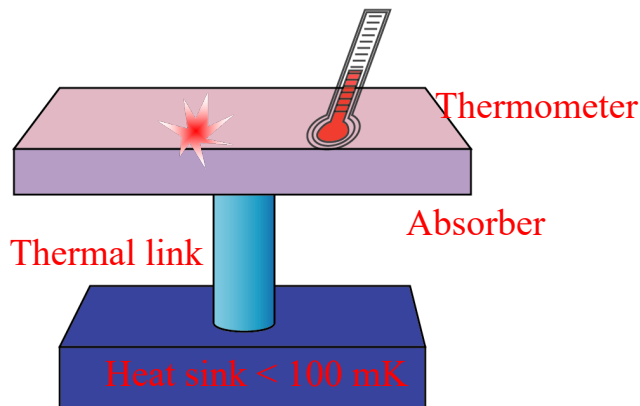
LTDs for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  search

Sensors & Detection Technologies

# Low Temperature Thermal Calorimeters

“Calorimetric measurement of heat signals at mK temperatures”

Energy absorption → Temperature



$$T - T_0 = \frac{E}{C}$$

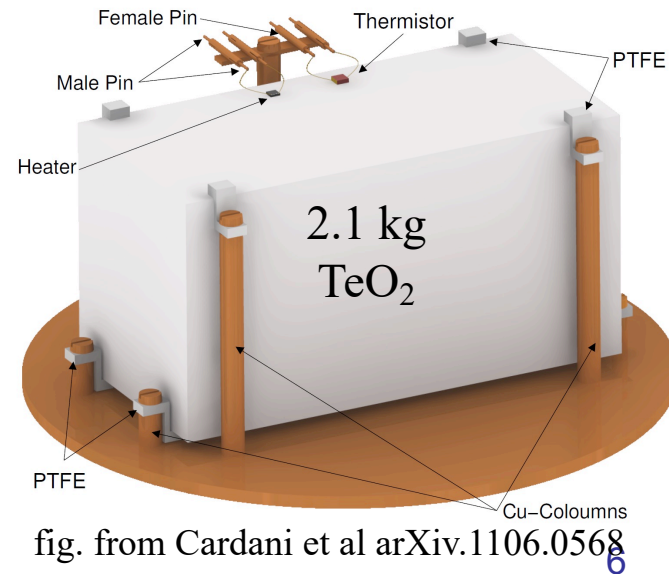
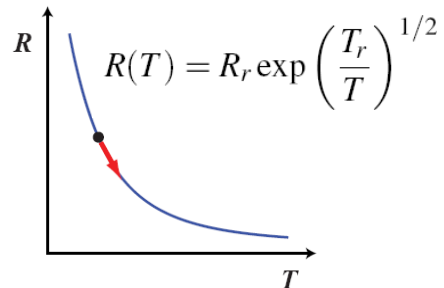
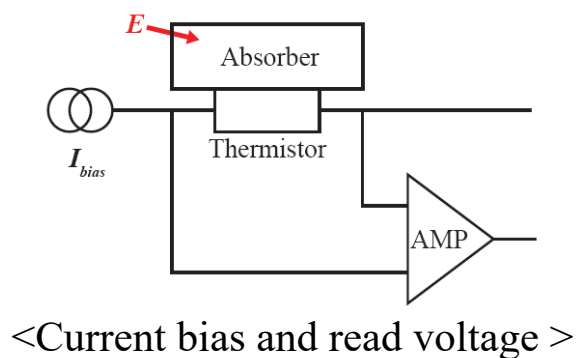
$$\tau = \frac{C}{G}$$

Choice of thermometers for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  searches

- **Thermistors (NTD Ge)** CUORE, CUPID
- **MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter)** AMoRE CANDLES-LT
- TES (Transition Edge Sensor) Light detector
- KID (Kinetic Inductance Device) CALDER
- etc.

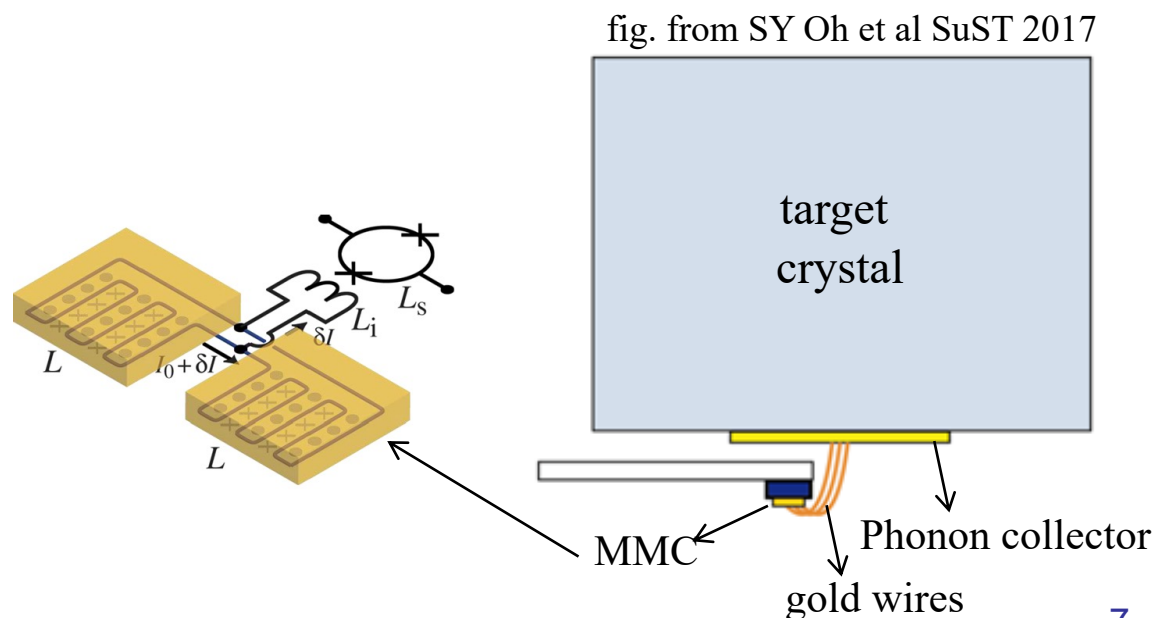
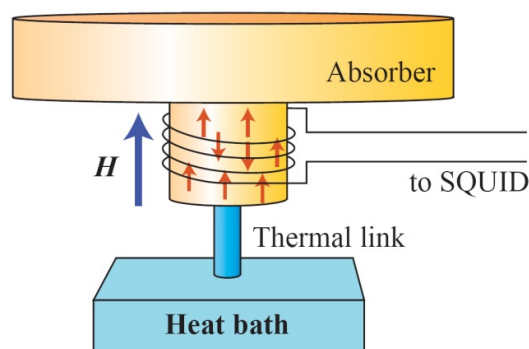
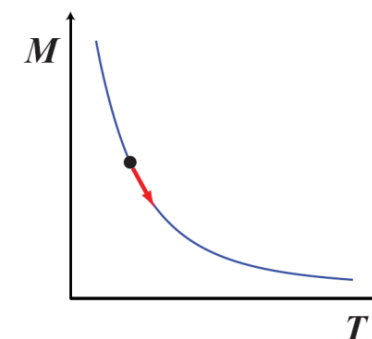
# Thermistors

- Doped semiconductors
  - Neutron transmuted doped (NTD) Ge thermistors
  - Ion implantation doped Si thermistors
- $R(T) : 1 \text{ M}\Omega \sim 100 \text{ M}\Omega$
- Readout: (cold) JFET
- High resolution + High linearity + Wide dynamic range + Absorber friendly
- Require very low bias current(sensitive to micro-physics and electromagnetic interference), Slow response



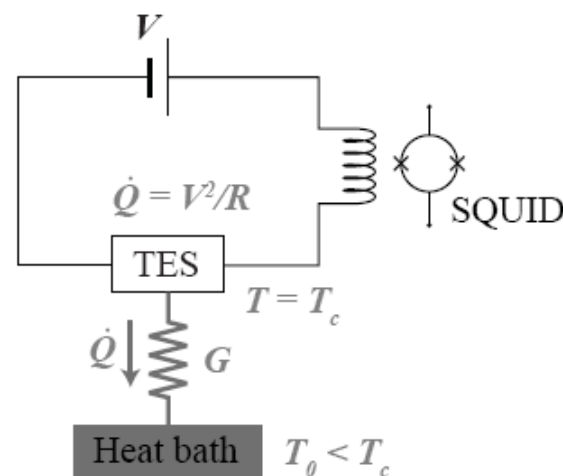
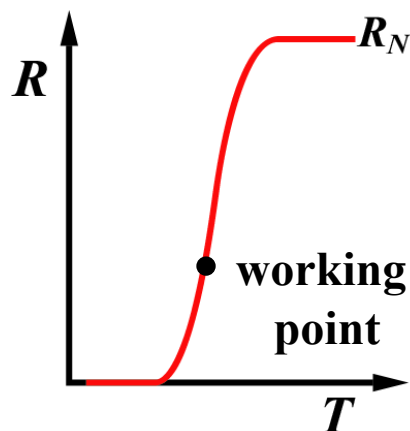
# Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter (MMC)

- Paramagnetic alloy in a magnetic field  
 Au:Er(300-1000 ppm), Ag:Er(300-1000 ppm)  
 → Magnetization variation with temperature
- Readout: SQUID
- High resolution + High linearity + Wide dynamic range +  
 Absorber friendly + No bias heating + Relatively fast + MUX
- More wires & materials needed for SQUIDs and MMCs



# Transition Edge Sensor (TES)

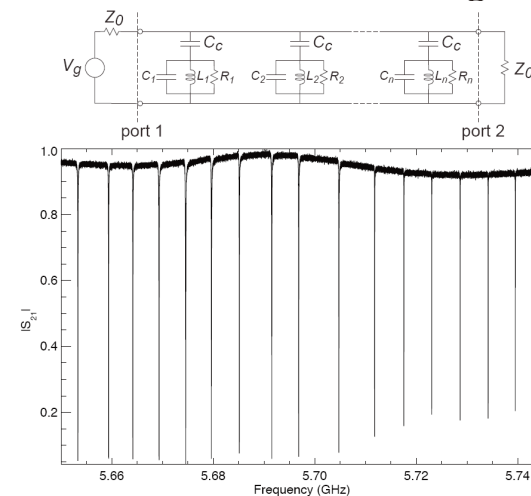
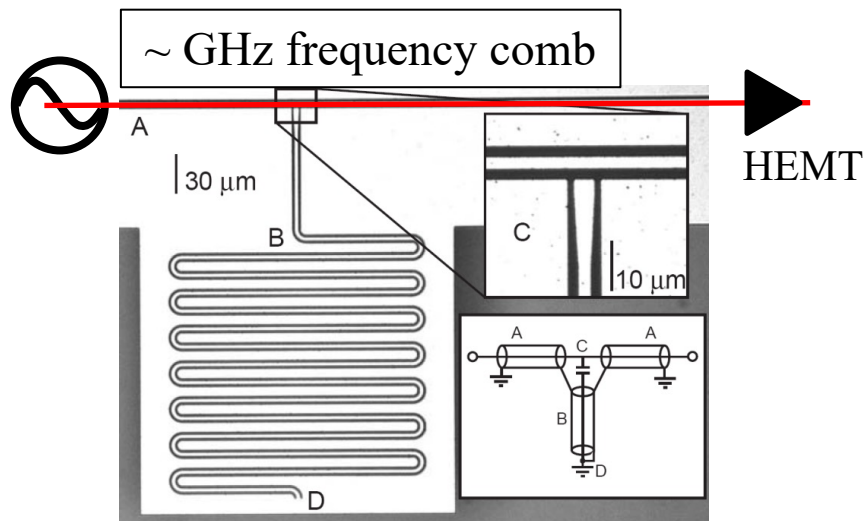
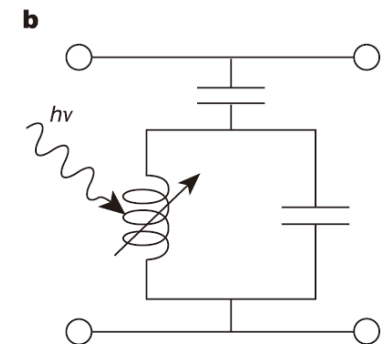
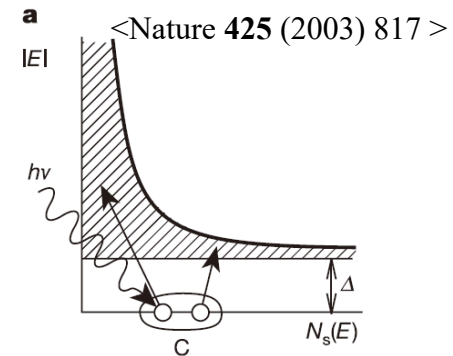
- Superconducting strip at  $T_c$ 
  - Elemental superconductors: Ti, Ir, W
  - Proximity bilayers: Mo/Au, Mo/Cu, Al/Ag, Ir/Au, Ir/Pt, etc.
- $R_N$  : 10 m $\Omega$  ~1  $\Omega$
- Readout: SQUID
- High energy resolution + Low energy threshold + Fast + MUX
- Limited linearity and limited dynamic range, Absorber selective (or chip carrier)





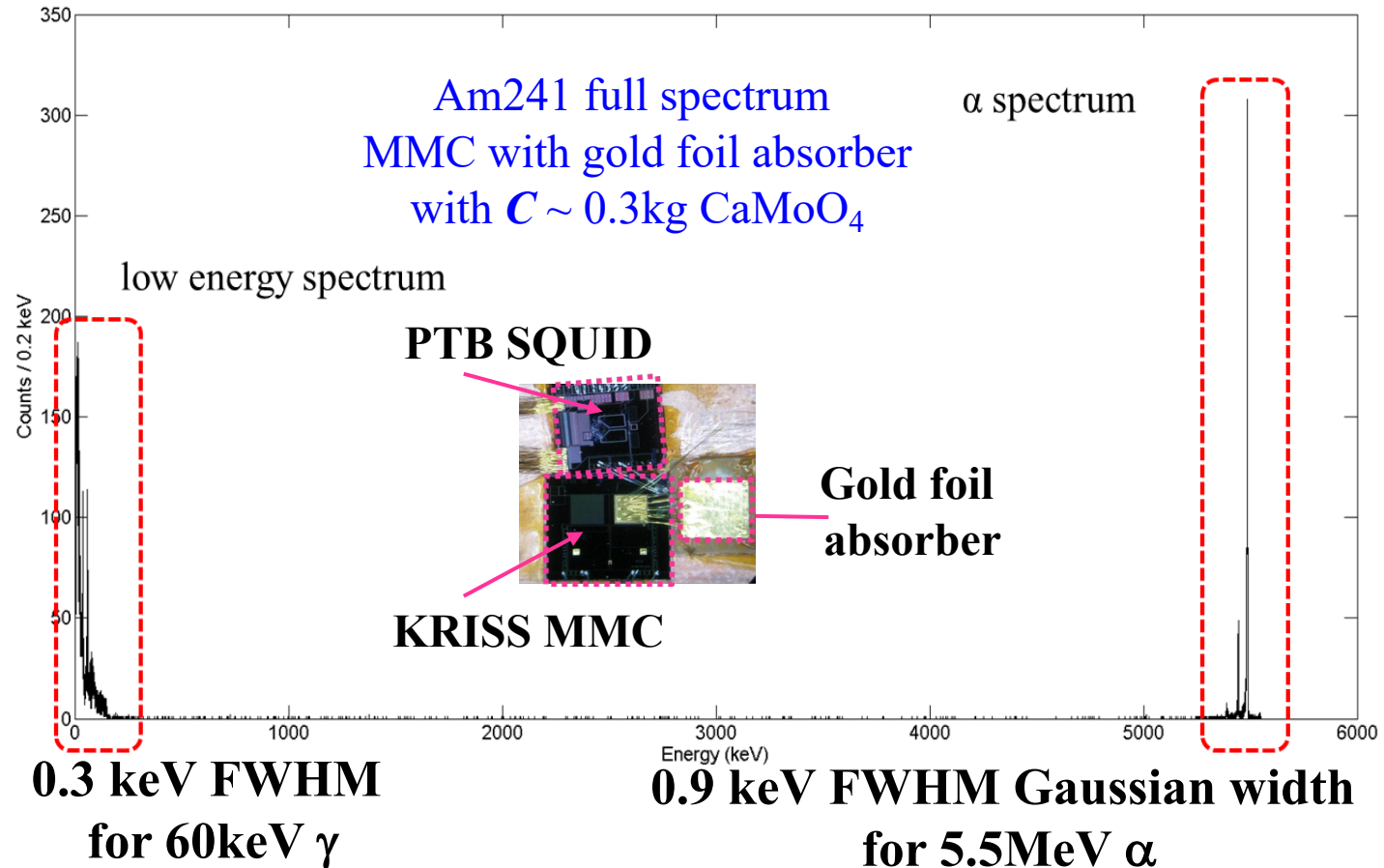
# Kinetic Inductance Detectors

- Pair breaking superconducting detector:  
     Quasiparticles are electron-like excitations in superconductors from breaking Cooper pairs
- Superconductor as the inductor in a LC resonance circuit
- Breaking pairs changes the Kinetic inductance
- Easy to MUX (on one chip)
- **Non-equilibrium detector**



# Sensor performance (example)

**“Superior dynamic range with high resolution”**



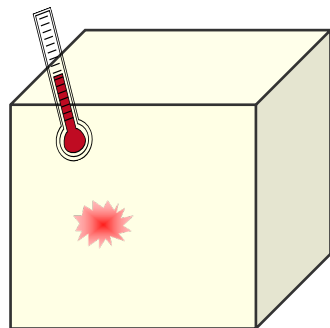
- ✓ A test result with an MMC.
- ✓ NTD Ge thermistors also have similar performance.

# High resolution detection of heat signals

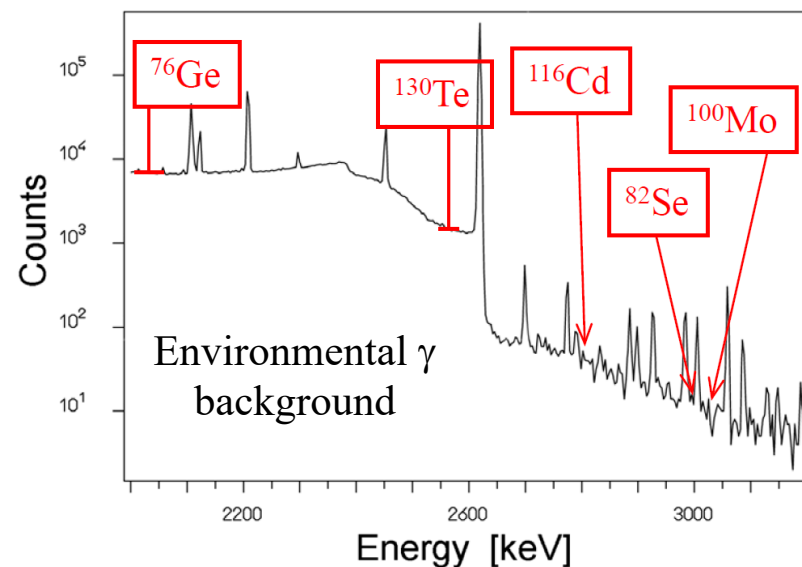
- ✓ Crystal target
  - Many DBD nuclei can be used when found in a crystal form

- ✓ Many  $\beta\beta$  nuclei test
- ✓  $Q_{\beta\beta} > 2.6$  MeV possible for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{82}\text{Se}$ ,  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ , etc.
- ➔ Low env.  $\gamma$  bkg.

Heat (Phonon)  
sensor

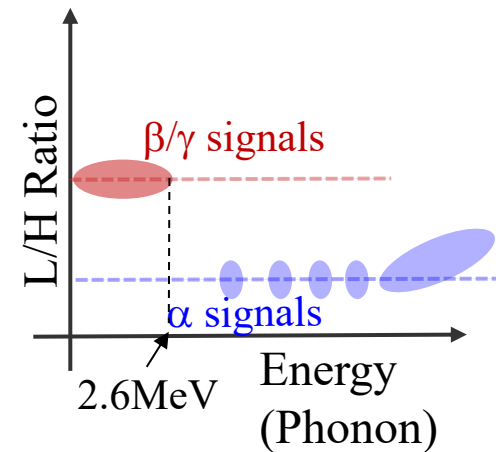
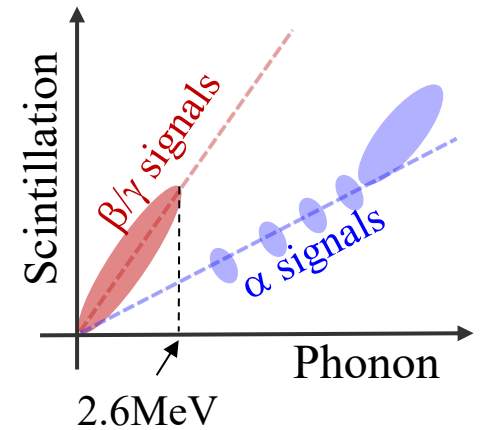
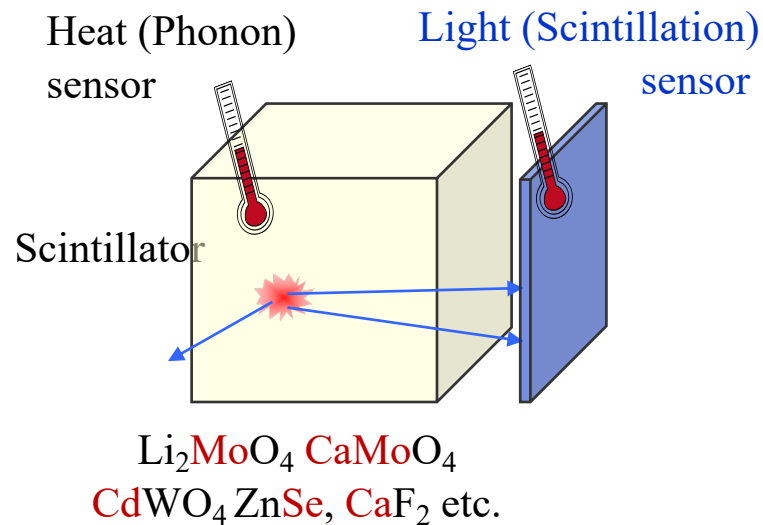


Absorber crystal  
containing DBD nuclei  
 $\text{TeO}_2$   $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$   $\text{CaMoO}_4$   
 $\text{CdWO}_4$   $\text{ZnSe}$ ,  $\text{CaF}_2$  etc.



# Simultaneous phonon-scintillation detection

- ✓ Scintillating crystal as target material

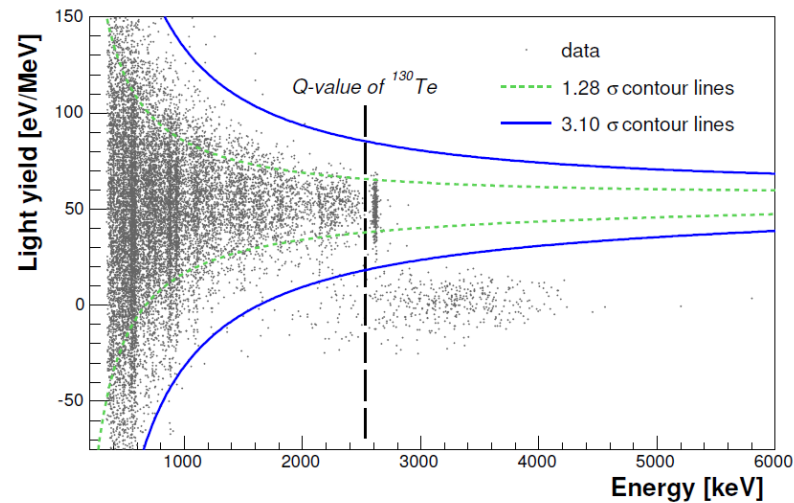
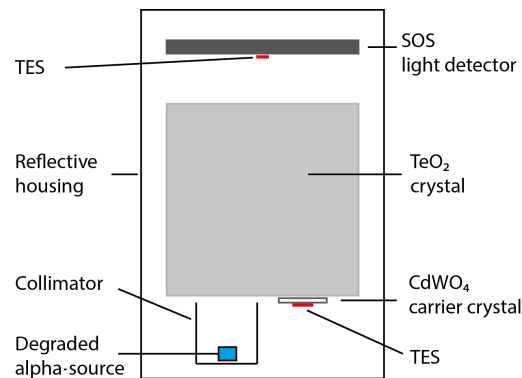
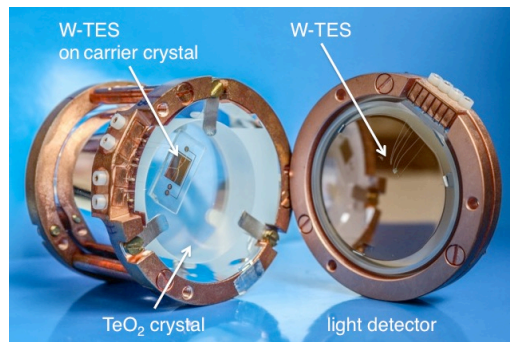


Scintillating crystal →  
 Active bkg. Rejection  
 using **L/H ratio and PSD**

# Use of Cherenkov light

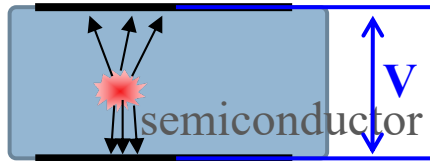
- ✓  $\text{TeO}_2$  does not scintillate, but MeV electrons (not alphas) produce Cherenkov light in  $\text{TeO}_2$ .
- ✓ 100-200 eV visible photons are emitted at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$  (Artusa *et al* 2017 *Phys. Lett. B* 767 321–9)

## < $\text{TeO}_2$ in a CRESST setup >



from Schaeffner, et. al, app (2015)

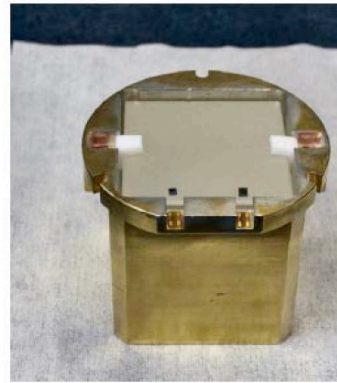
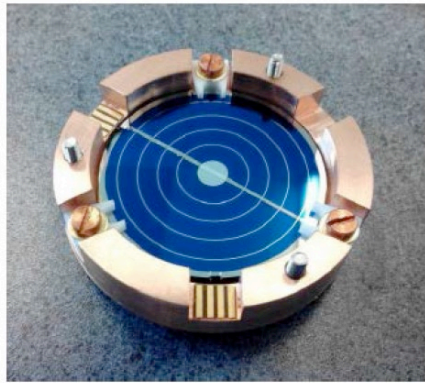
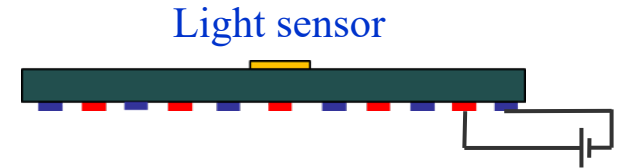
# Light detector with phonon amplification



$$\Delta T = E/C$$

$$E = E_0 + E_{\text{Luke}}$$

$$= E_0(1 + eV/\epsilon)$$

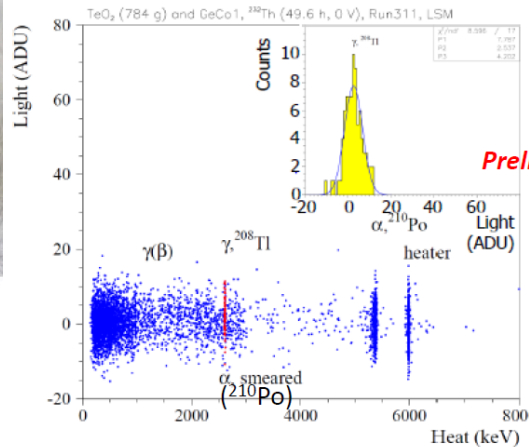


GeCo1 has also been tested coupled to a natural TeO<sub>2</sub> crystal (784 g) at a working temperature of 17 mK

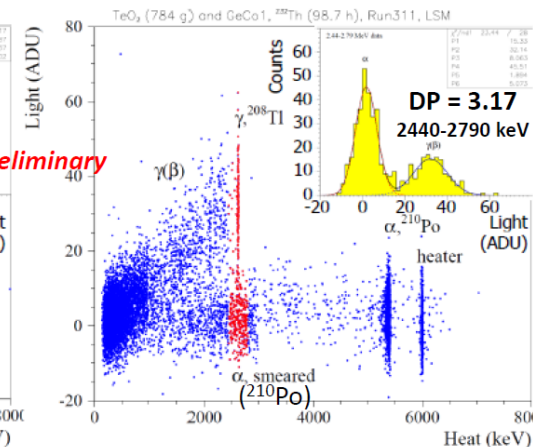
This test has been performed in Laboratoire Souterrain de Modane (LSM, France)

## α/β separation

Neganov-Luke voltage = 0 V



Neganov-Luke voltage = 60 V (optimum performance)



from A Giuliani' talk in DBD Shanghai 2017

# Common strategies to increase sensitivity

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot \text{time}}{\text{bkg} \cdot \Delta E}}$$

<background case>

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto M \cdot \text{time}$$

<background-free case>

- ✓ Increase  $M$  : Large detector mass, Enriched  $\beta\beta$  elements ← budget
- ✓ Increase ‘time’ : up to a few years
- ✓ Smaller  $\Delta E$  : Better energy resolution ← detector tech. LT thermal calorimeters
- ✓ Bkg. : Minimize background events in ROI
  - Underground facility (w. controls on Rn, n, dust, long-lived cosmogenics)
  - Radio-assay equipment and protocols
    - Controls on natural occurring radioactive materials (U, Th, etc. )
  - In-situ bkg. identification
    - Alphas, gammas,  $\beta\beta(2\nu)$ ,  $\mu$ - and n- induced,  $\nu$ -e scatterings
    - ← PSD, Heat/L or Charge/L detection, Veto, Shield, Topology,  $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta t$
  - Etc. LT thermal calorimeters

# LT $0\nu\beta\beta$ Projects

- ✓ This is a short introduction for LT  $0\nu\beta\beta$  searches.
- ✓ The summary may not cover all of those  $0\nu\beta\beta$  project using LTDs.



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# 30 years of $0\nu\beta\beta$ searches @LNGS

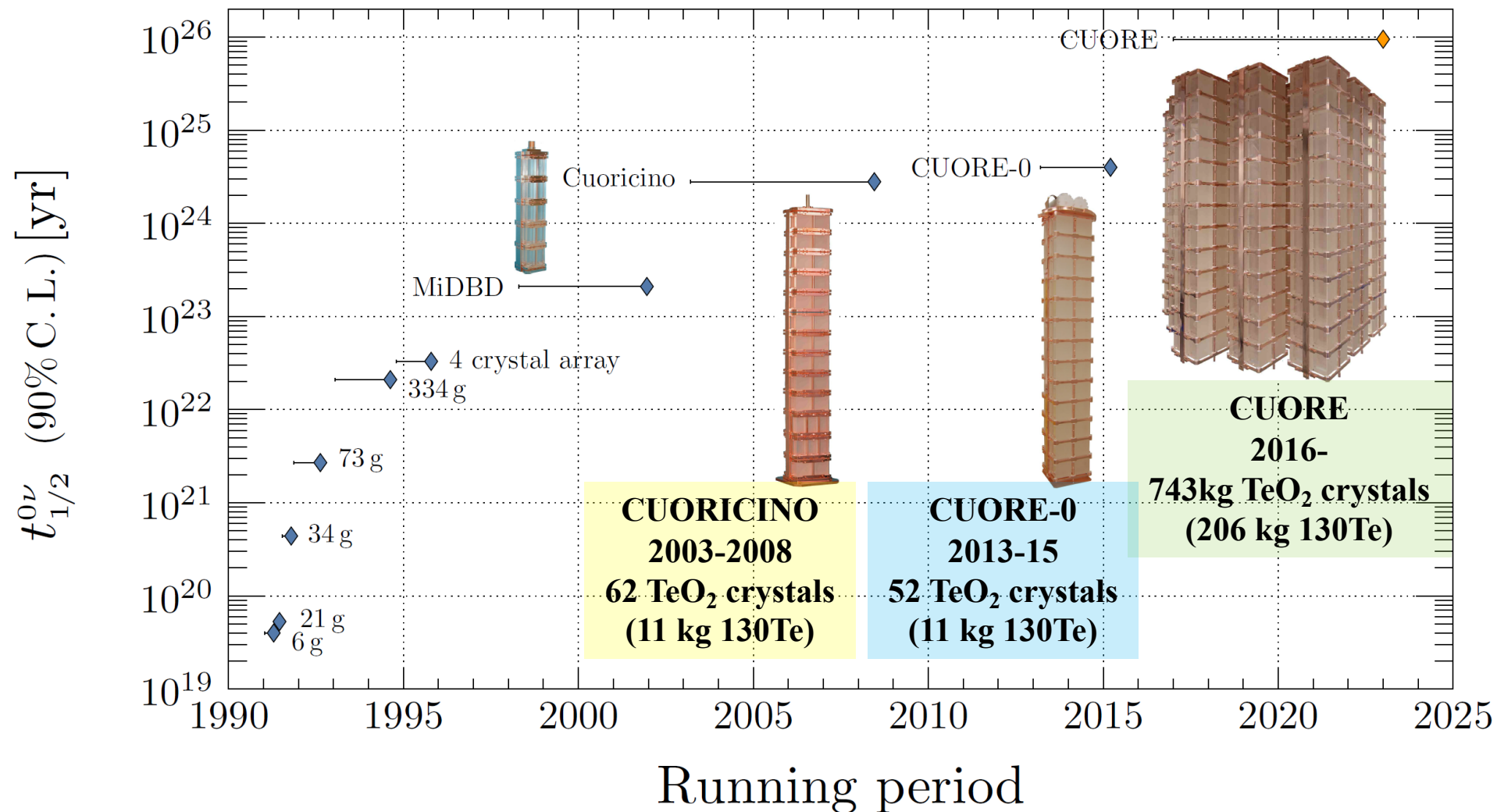


fig. from S. Dell'Oro' talk in DBD Shanghai 2017

# TeO<sub>2</sub> for <sup>130</sup>Te

$\beta\beta$ -decay nuclei with $Q > 2$ MeV	Q (MeV)	Abund. (%)
<sup>48</sup> Ca → <sup>48</sup> Ti	4.271	0.187
<sup>76</sup> Ge → <sup>76</sup> Se	2.040	7.8
<sup>82</sup> Se → <sup>82</sup> Kr	2.995	9.2
<sup>96</sup> Zr → <sup>96</sup> Ru	3.350	2.8
<sup>100</sup> Mo → <sup>100</sup> Ru	3.034	9.6
<sup>110</sup> Pd → <sup>110</sup> Cd	2.013	11.8
<sup>116</sup> Cd → <sup>116</sup> Cd	2.802	7.5
<sup>124</sup> Sn → <sup>124</sup> Ge	2.228	5.8
<sup>130</sup> Te → <sup>130</sup> Xe	2.528	34.2
<sup>136</sup> Xe → <sup>136</sup> Ba	2.479	8.9
<sup>150</sup> Nd → <sup>150</sup> Sm	3.367	5.6

<sup>130</sup>Te

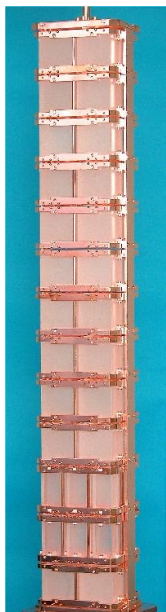
- ✓  $Q = 2528$  keV (between <sup>208</sup>Tl line (2615 keV) and its Compton edge)
- ✓ Large natural abundance : 34.2%

TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals

- ✓ Debye Temp. ~ 230 K
- ✓ High crystal quality can be achieved.
- ✓ Low radio contaminants
- Do not scintillate → Particle ID not allowed

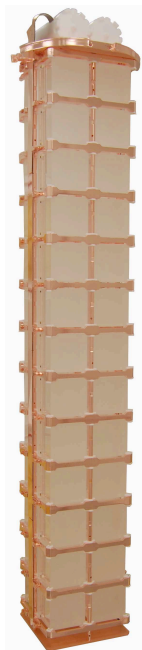
# From CUORICINO, To CUORE, & ..

CUORICINO



**CUORICINO**  
 2003-2008  
 62 TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals  
 (11 kg <sup>130</sup>Te)  
 $T_{1/2} > 2 \times 10^{24}$  y

CUORE-0



**CUORE-0**  
 2013-15  
 52 TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals  
 (10.9 kg <sup>130</sup>Te)  
 $T_{1/2} > 4 \times 10^{24}$  y



**CUORE**  
 2016-  
 743kg TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals  
 (206 kg <sup>130</sup>Te)

# CUORE Tech for $0\nu\beta\beta$ search with LTD

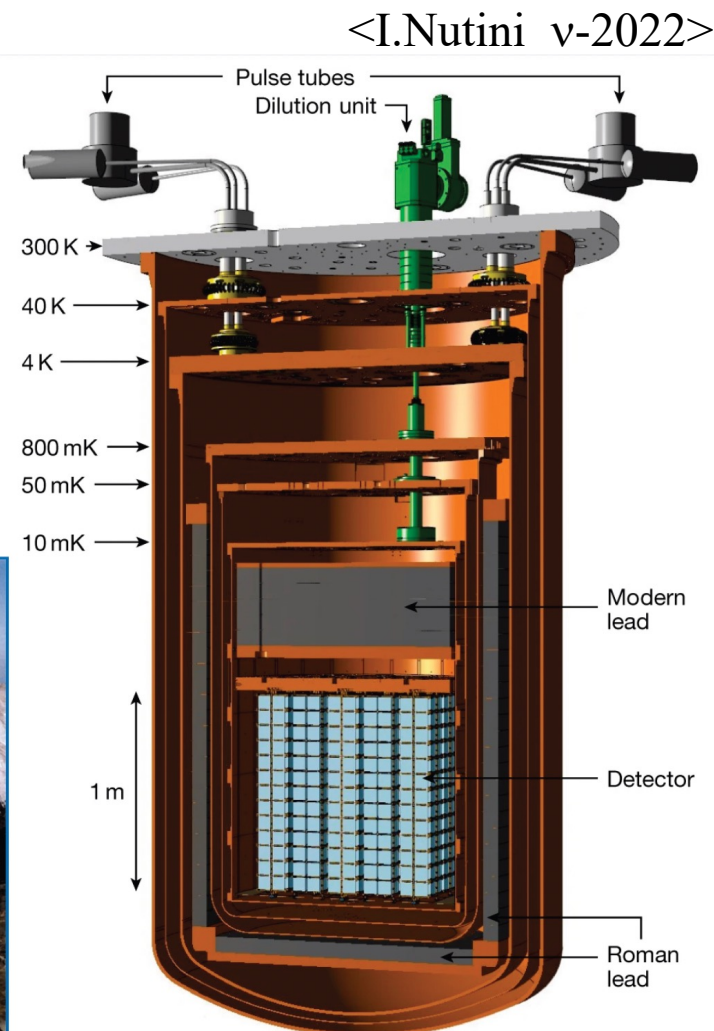
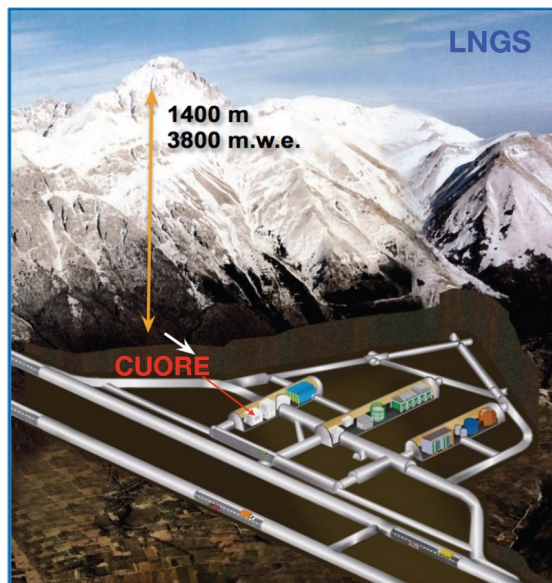
## \* **Low temperature and low vibrations**

TeO<sub>2</sub> detectors operated as calorimeters at  $\sim 10$  mK stable

- Multistage cryogen-free cryostat. Nested vessels at decreasing temperature. Cooling systems: Pulse Tubes and Dilution Unit
  - Mass to be cooled  $< 4$ K:  $\sim 15$  tons (IVC volume and Cu vessels, Roman Pb shield)
  - Mass to be cooled  $< 50$  mK:  $\sim 3$  tons (Top Pb shield, Cu supports and TeO<sub>2</sub> detectors)
- Mechanical vibration isolation: Reduce energy dissipation by vibrations

## \* **Low background**

- Deep underground location
- Strict radio-purity controls on materials and assembly
- Passive shields from external and cryostat radioactivity
- Detector: high granularity and self-shielding

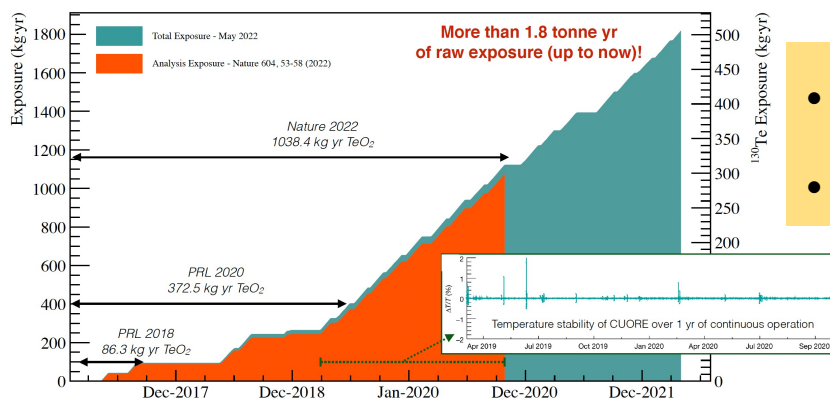


Dell'Oro S. et al., Cryogenics 102, 9, (2019)  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cryogenics.2019.06.011>



Adams D. et al. (CUORE collaboration), Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 122 (2022) 103902,  
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# CUORE Result ( $^{130}\text{Te } 0\nu\beta\beta$ ) <I.Nutini v-2022>



- CUORE aims to collect 3 t·yr of  $\text{TeO}_2$
- CUPID is the follow up.

Total e  
**1038.4 kg yr  $\text{TeO}_2$ , 288 kg yr  $^{130}\text{Te}$**

Selection efficiencies: 92.4(2)%

$^{130}\text{Te } Q_{\beta\beta} = 2527.5 \text{ keV}$

Reconstructed energy resolution at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$ :

7.8(5) keV FWHM

ROI background index (B)

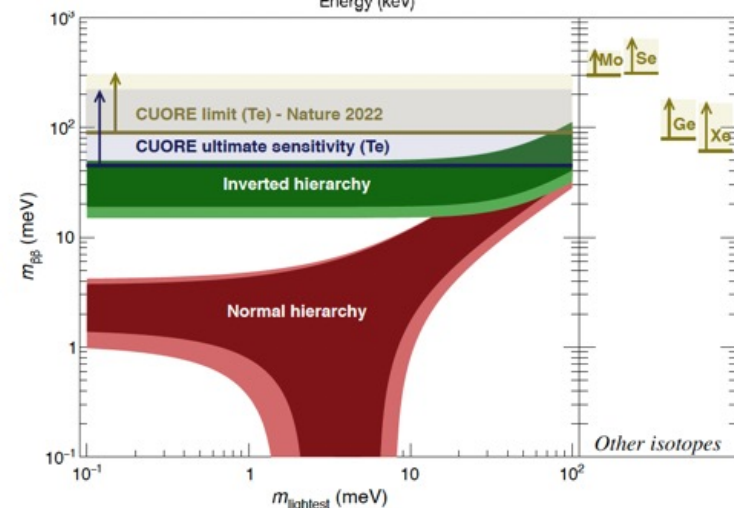
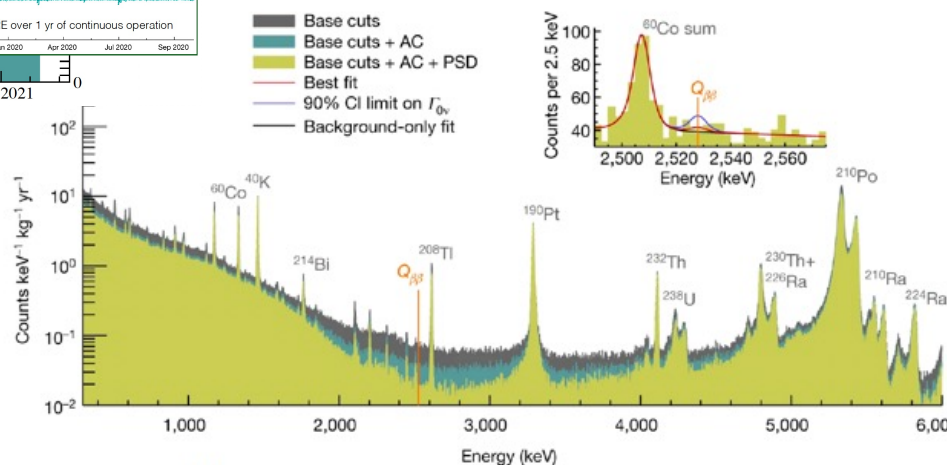
$\sim 1.49(4) \times 10^{-2} \text{ c}/(\text{keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr})$

$0\nu\beta\beta$  analysis

Half-life limit for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  in  $^{130}\text{Te}$  (90% C.I. including syst.)

**$T_{0\nu} 1/2 (^{130}\text{Te}) > 2.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$**

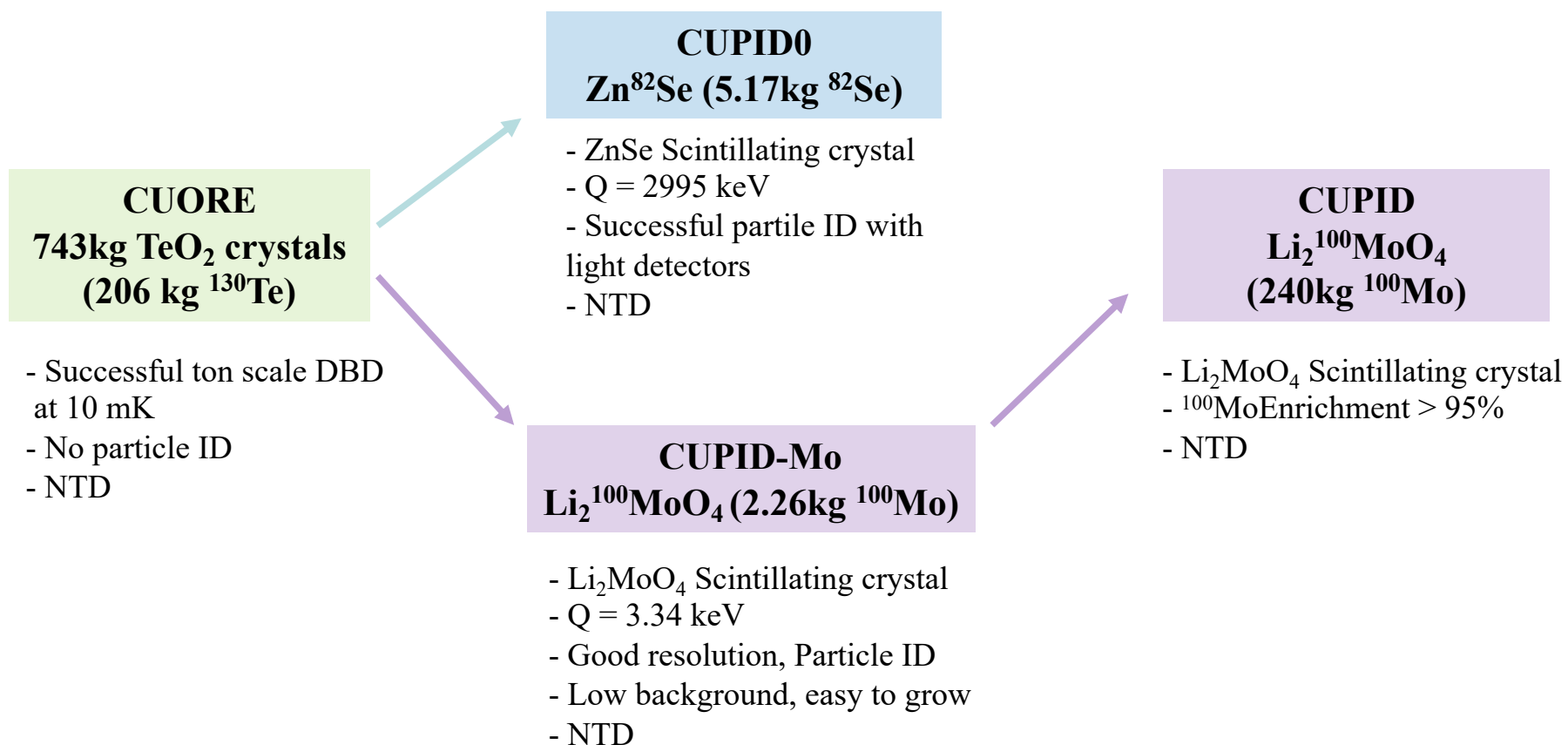
**$m_{\beta\beta} < 90 - 305 \text{ meV}$**



# Evolution from CUORE to CUPID

**CUORE: Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events**

**CUPID: CUORE Upgrade with Particle Identification**



# CUPID-0 with $\text{Zn}^{82}\text{Se}$

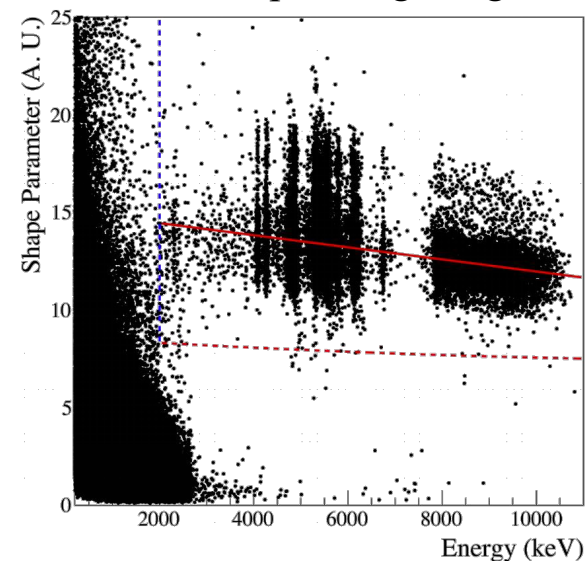


$^{82}\text{Se}$

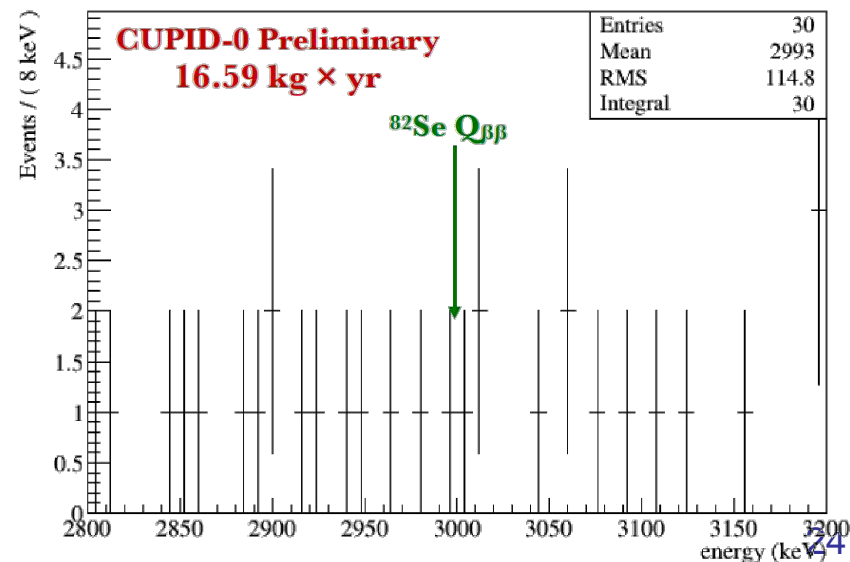
- ✓  $Q = 2995 \text{ keV} > ^{208}\text{Tl}$  line (2615 keV)
- ✓ Natural abundance: 9.2%

$\text{ZnSe}$  scintillates at LT.

Pulse shape of light signals



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Fully mounted CUPID-0 detector  
to a wet DR in LNGS

$$T_{1/2} > 4.7 \times 10^{24} \text{ y (90\% C. I. limit)}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} < 276\text{-}570 \text{ meV}$$



# CUPID-Mo

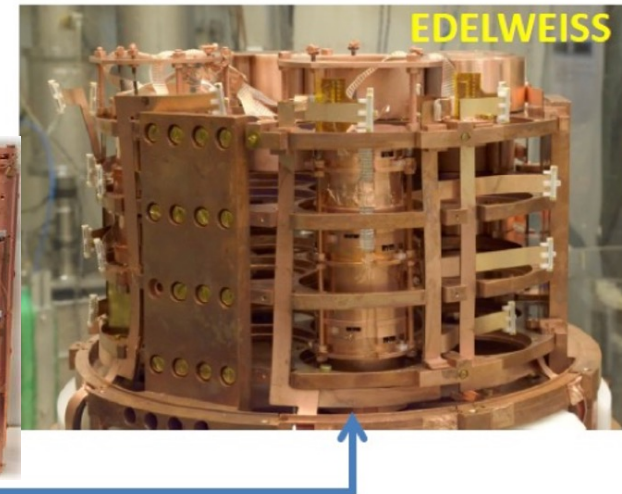
$^{100}\text{Mo}$

- ✓  $Q = 3034 \text{ keV} > ^{208}\text{Tl}$  line (2615 keV)
- ✓ Natural abundance : 9.7%
- ✓  $T_{1/2} (2\nu) = 7.1 \times 10^{18} \text{ y}$ : the largest  $\beta\beta$  decay rate

$\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$  : Scintillating molybdates, Selected

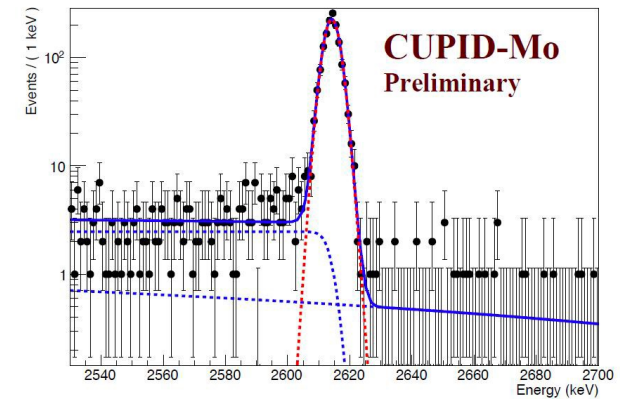
NTD Ge, Cold JFET

EDELWEISS cryostat



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7.4 keV FWHM at Q



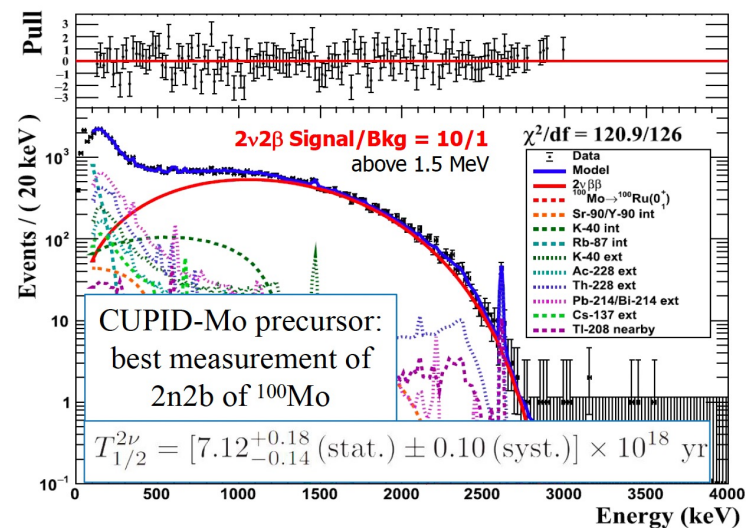
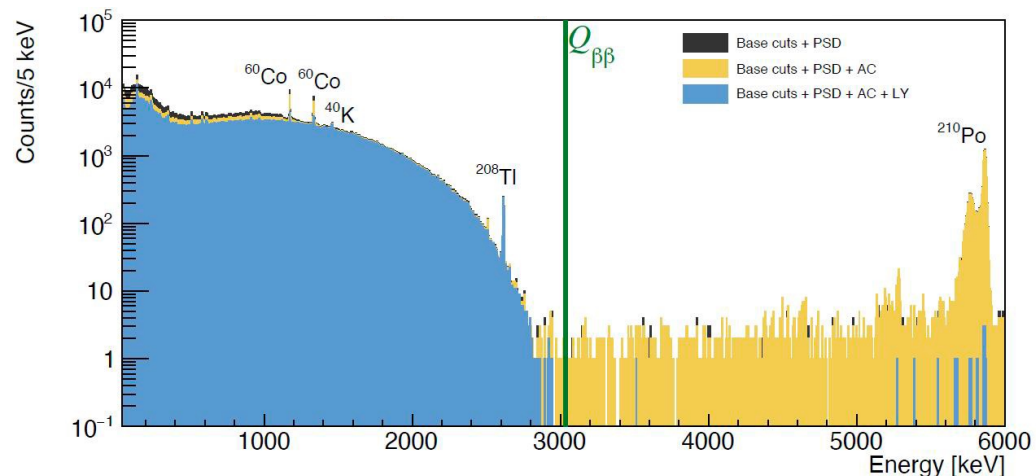
# CUPID-Mo Results

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$T_{1/2}(0\nu) > 1.8 \times 10^{24}$  y (90% C. I. limit)  
 $m_{\beta\beta} < 280-490$  meV

✓ Best limit on  $^{100}\text{Mo}$   $0\nu\beta\beta$  half- life

✓ The most precise measurement of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$   $2\nu\beta\beta$



# CUPID

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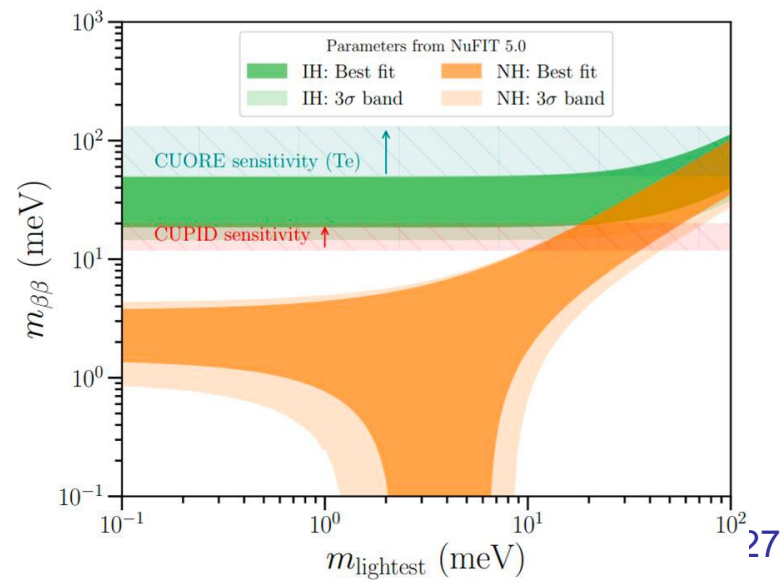
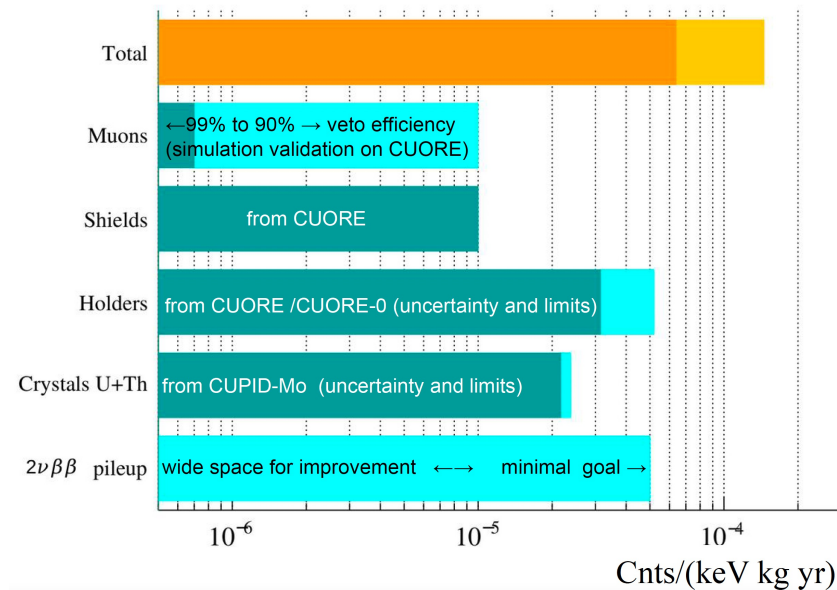
- Heat-Light detection:  $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4 + \text{NTD}$
- Particle Identification
- $^{100}\text{Mo}$  Enrichment  $> 95\%$
- 1596 crystals and 240 kg of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$
- FWHM  $< 10$  keV at Q (3034 keV)
- CUORE cryostat

Background goal:  $10^{-4}$  ctky

Discovery sensitivity at  $3\sigma$ :

$$T_{1/2}(^{100}\text{Mo } 0\nu\beta\beta) = 10^{27} \text{ year}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} \sim 12\text{-}20 \text{ meV}$$



# AMoRE

## AMoRE: **A**dvanced **Mo**-based **R**are process **E**xperiment

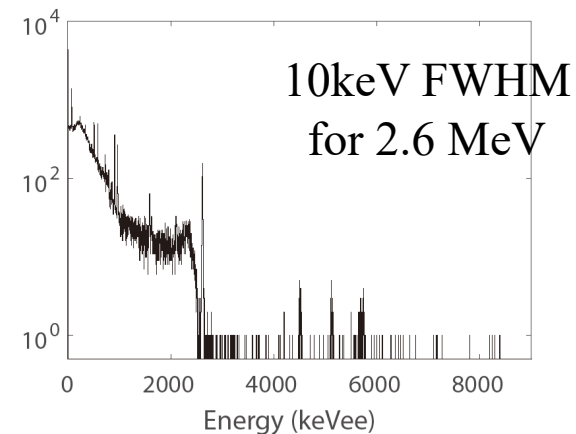
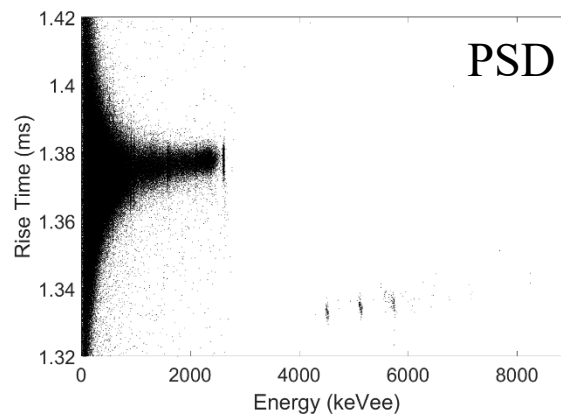
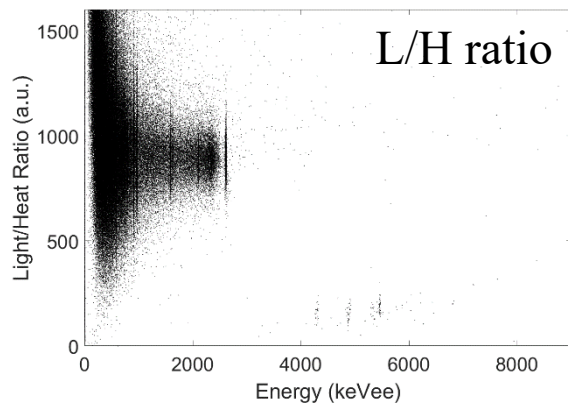
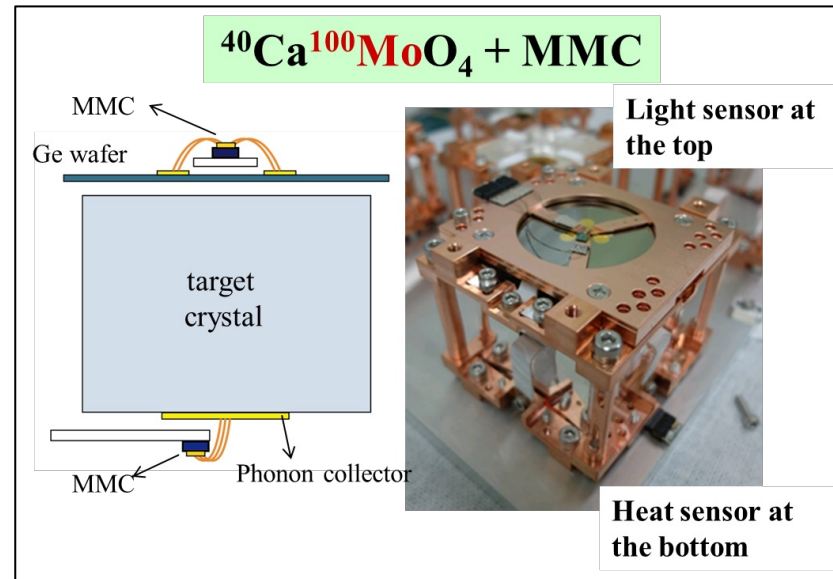
$^{100}\text{Mo}$

- ✓  $Q = 3034 \text{ keV} > ^{208}\text{Tl}$  line (2615 keV)
- ✓ Natural abundance : 9.7%
- ✓  $T_{1/2} (2\nu) = 7.1 \times 10^{18} \text{ y}$ : the largest  $\beta\beta$  decay rate

$^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  : enriched  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  and depleted  $^{48}\text{Ca}$   
 : Selected for a pilot and AMoRE-1'  
 : High Debye temperature:  $T_D = 438 \text{ K}$

$\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ : Selected for AMoRE-II

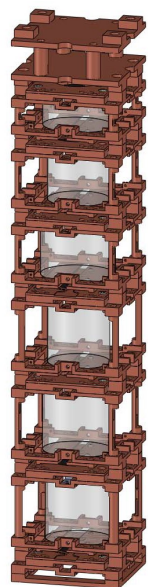
MMC for heat and light detection



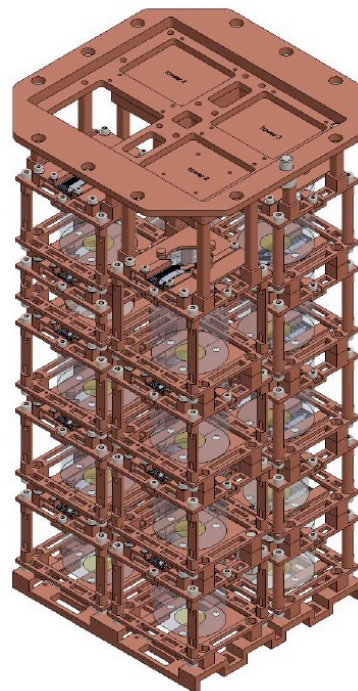
# AMoRE Progress



Single module

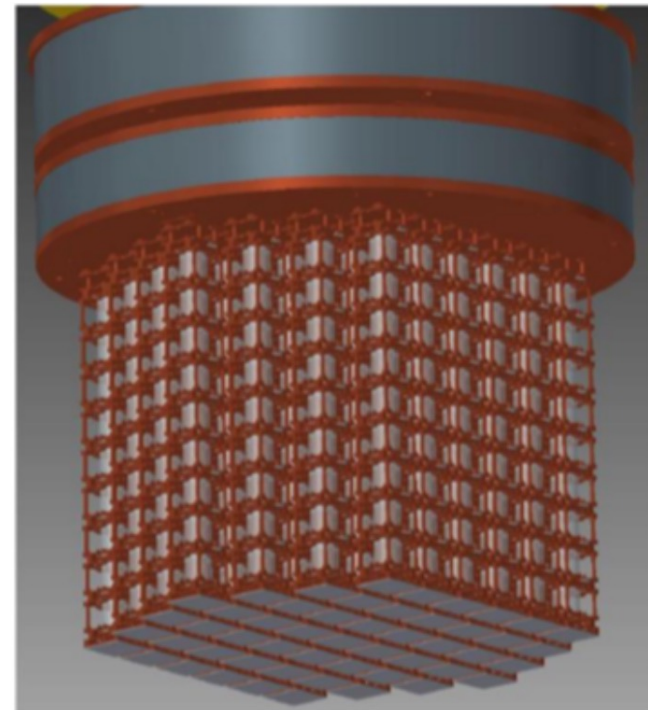


AMoRE-Pilot  
- 2018



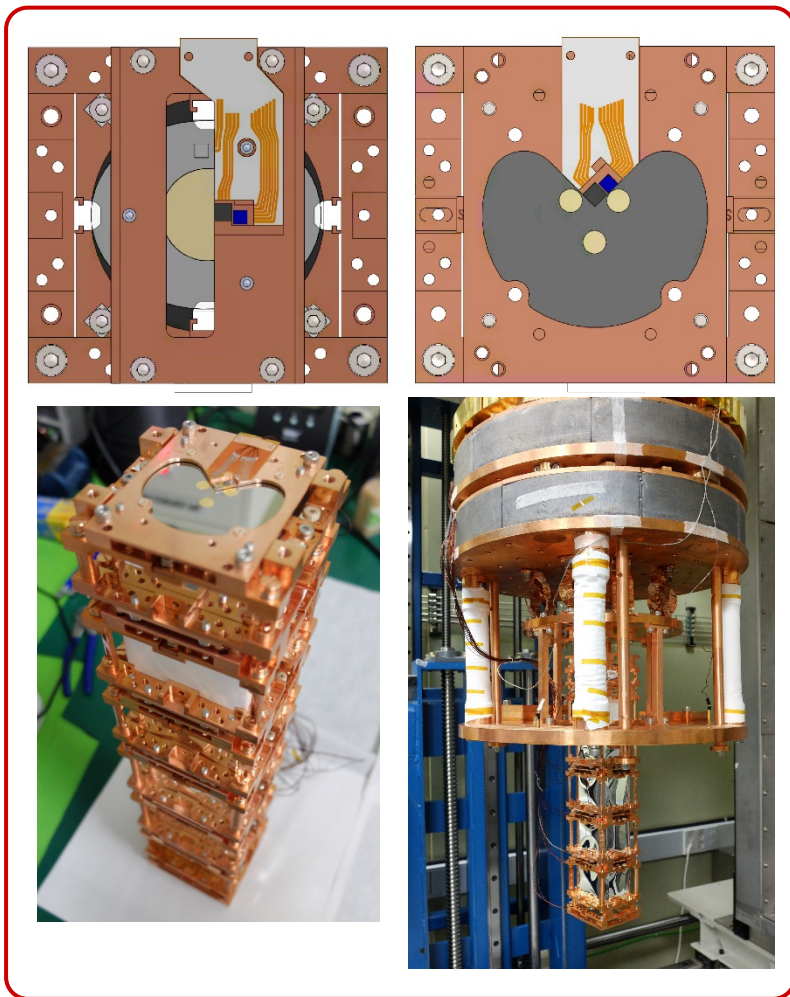
AMoRE-I

Now

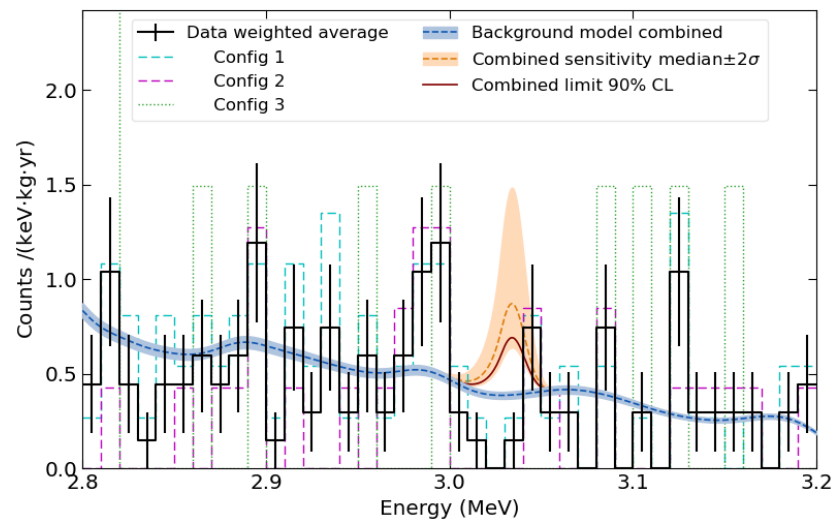


AMoRE-II  
Being prepared

# AMoRE Pilot result

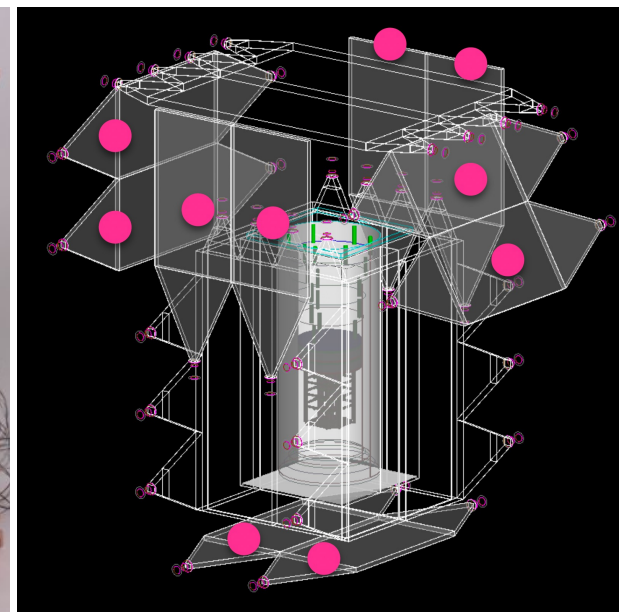
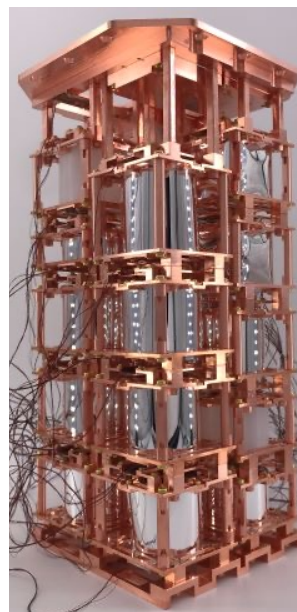
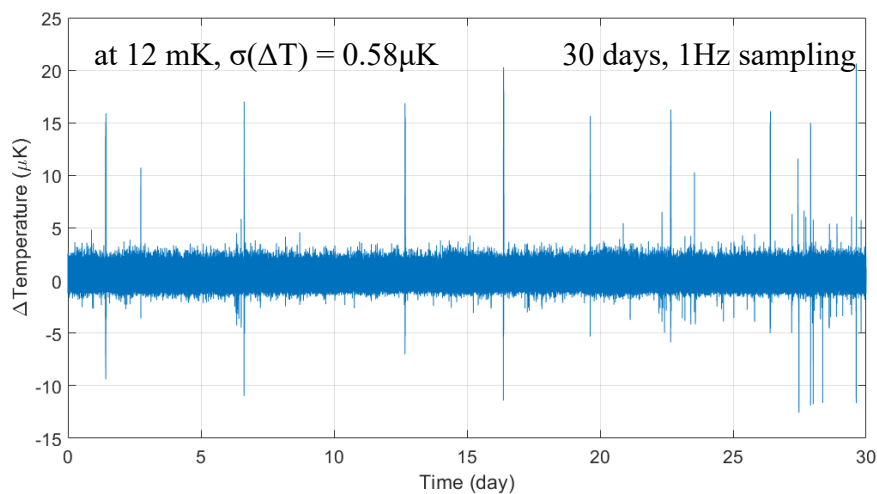


- $^{48\text{depl}}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ : 6 crystals 1.9 kg (0.9kg  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ )
- Proof of the AMoRE detection principle
- Understanding of the background components & reduction of them.
- Background level of  $\sim 0.5$  c/ky at 2.8-3.2 MeV
  - n-induced  $\gamma$ , Internal bkg, rock/air-radon  $\gamma$
  - Internal background— arXiv:2107.07704
- $T_{1/2}(0\nu) > 3.2 \times 10^{23}$  years at 90% CL.



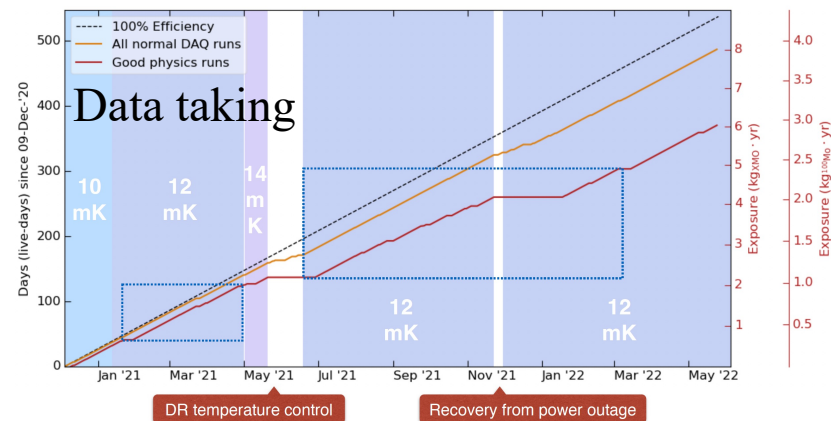
# AMoRE Pilot → AMoRE-I

- 18 crystals: 13  $^{48\text{depl}}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  (4.58 kg) + 5  $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  (1.61 kg)
- Total crystal mass 6.19 kg (3.0 kg  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ )
- MMC sensor: Au:Er → Ag:Er
- Using same cryostat + two stage temperature control:  $\langle \Delta T \rangle < 1 \mu\text{K}$
- Shielding enhancements:
  - Outer Pb: 15 → 20 cm; neutron shields
  - boric acid silicon + more PE / B-PE
  - More muon counter coverage
  - More supply of Rn-free air.

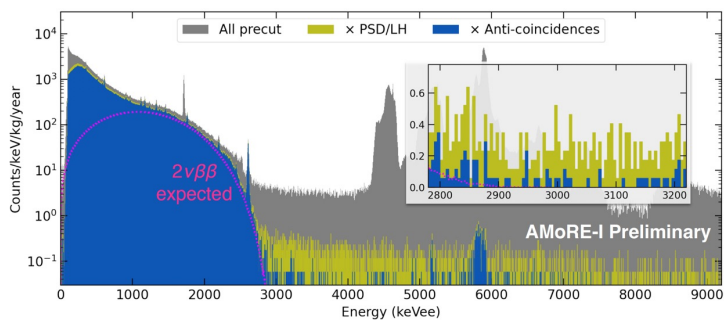


# AMoRE-I (Preliminary) Results

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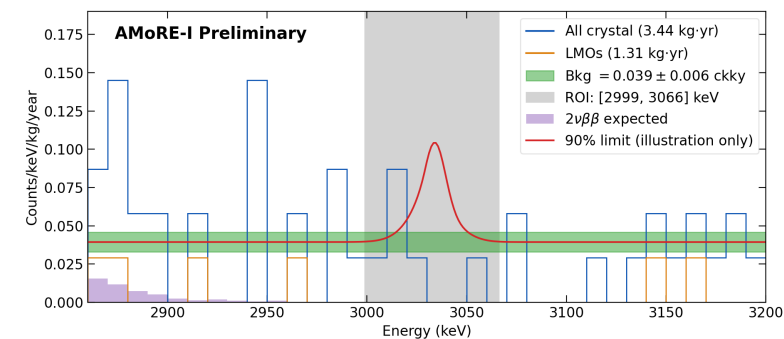


- Data taking (Science) started Dec./2020
- Data for 1.67 kg <sup>100</sup>Mo exposure is analyzed.
- To be continued till 2023.
- 10 – 30 keV FWHM@2.6MeV (15 keV average)



$$T_{1/2}(0\nu) > 1.2 \times 10^{24} \text{ y (90\% CL.)}$$

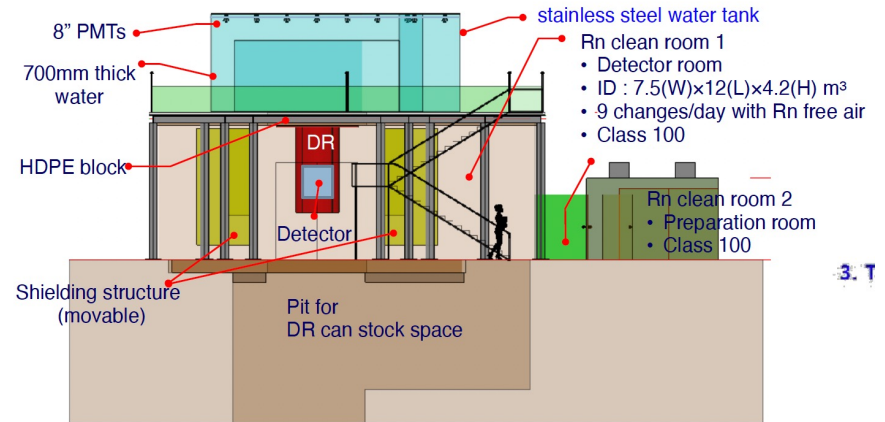
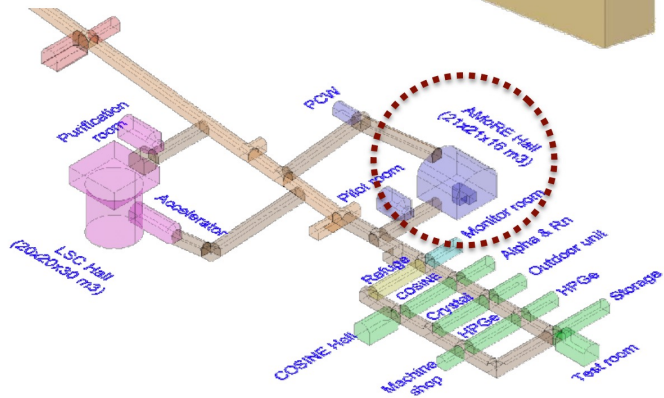
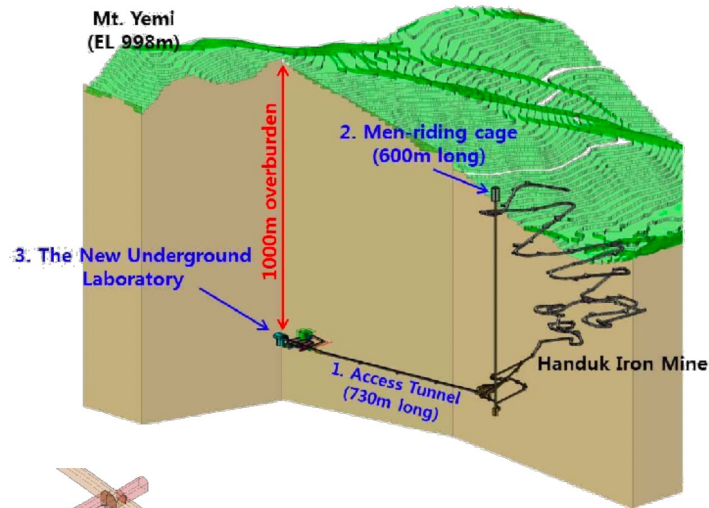
with 1.67 kg <sup>100</sup>Mo exposure



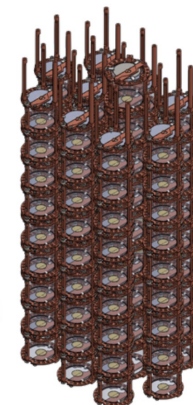
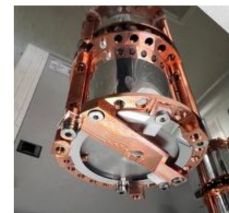
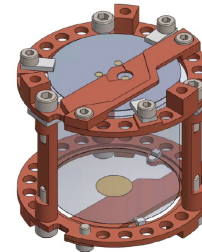


# AMoRE-II in prepration

- In a new underground lab (Yemilab)
- With new cryostat and new shields



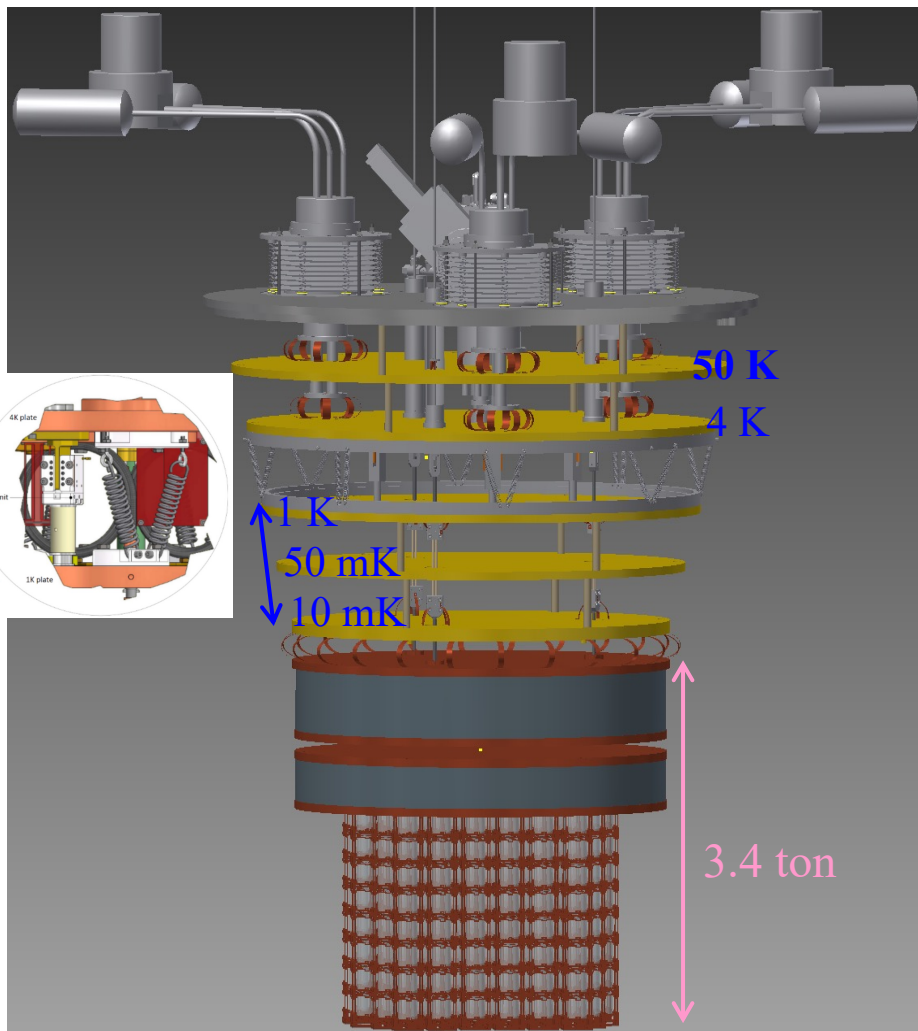
AMoRE-II Detector module



90 modules (~27 kg LMO) for the first stage

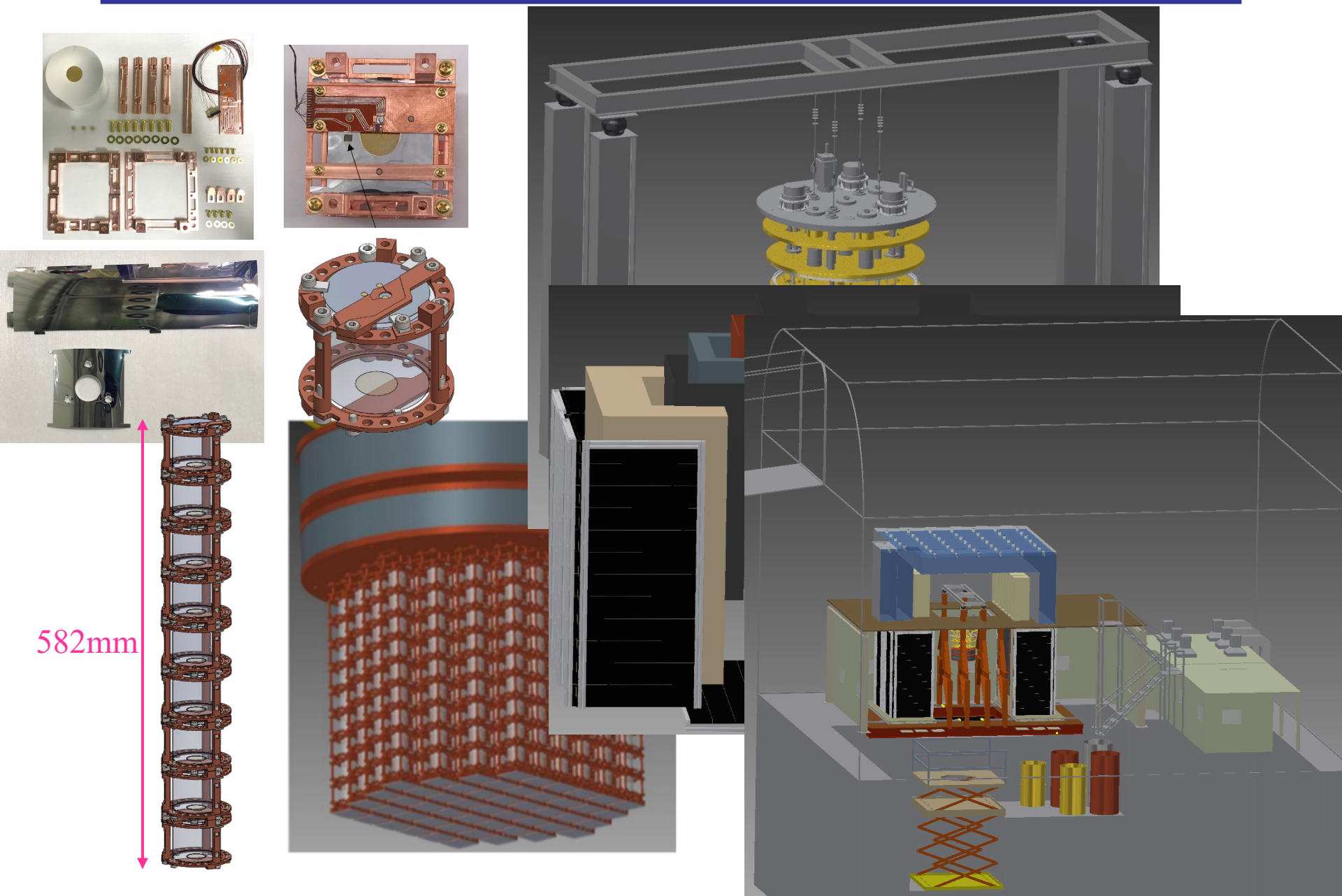
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# AMoRE-II Cryogenics

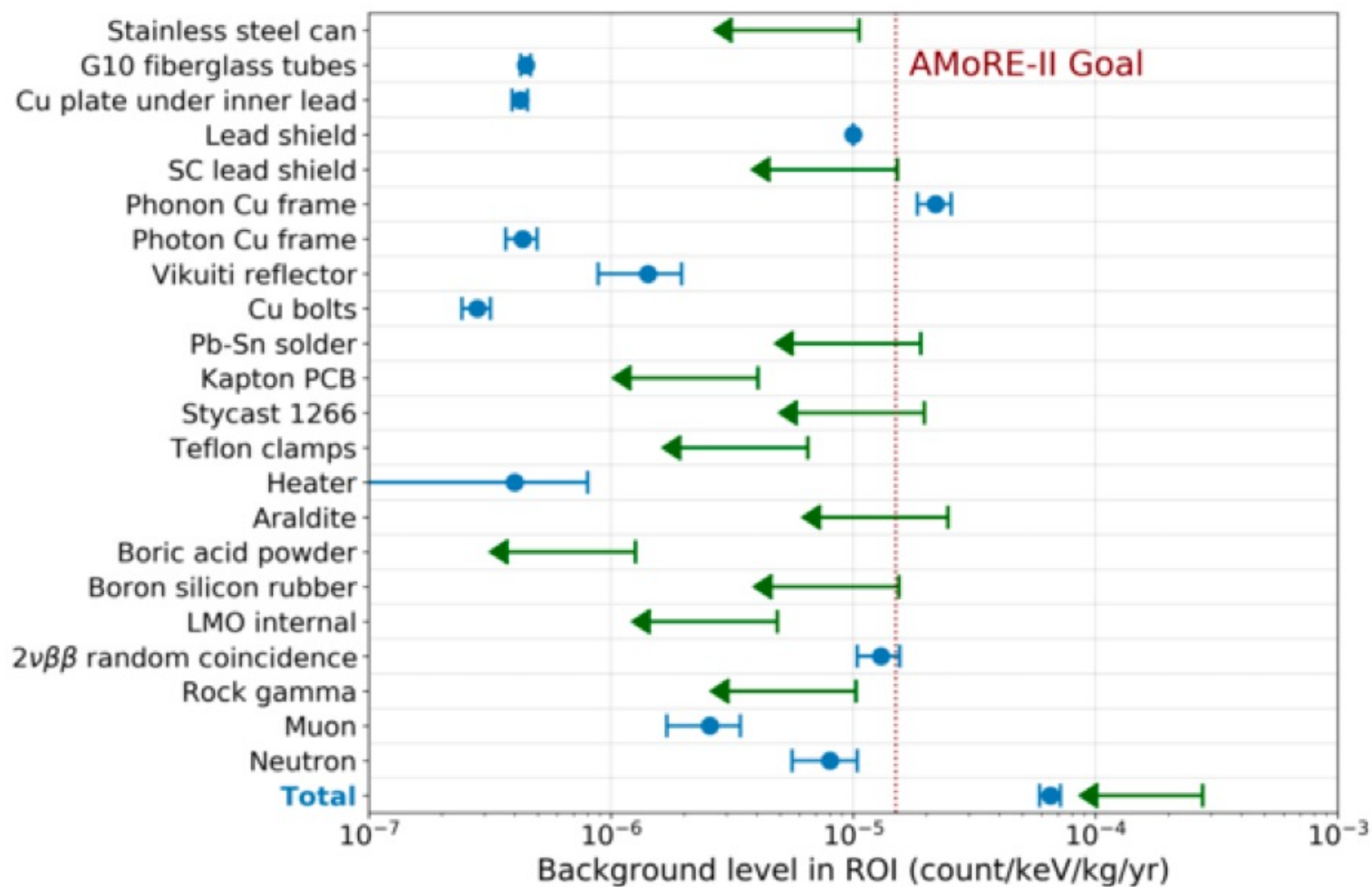


- Three PTRs (PT420 RM)
- Dilution refrigerator (delivered)
  - 5.4 mK base temperature
  - 7 uW at 10 mK
- Spring Suspended Still with Eddy Current Damper
- Independent holding structure for detector tower
- 1 m diameter M.C plate
- 26 cm thick inner Pb shield
- 450 detector towers
- $\text{Li}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  ( $\sim 100$  kg  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  at final stage)
- Refer CS Kang's talk in LTD18 Milano.
- We thanks A D'Addabbo, C Bucci, P Golar for showing the CUORE system.

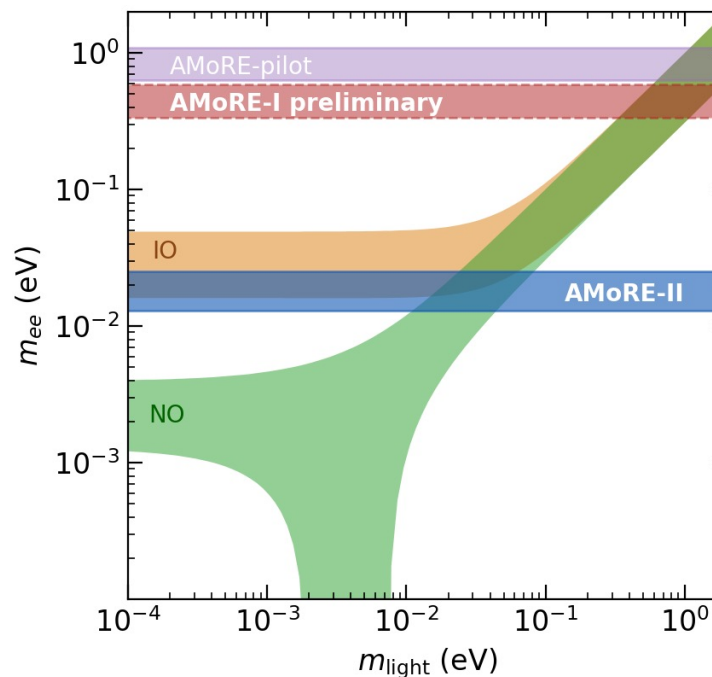
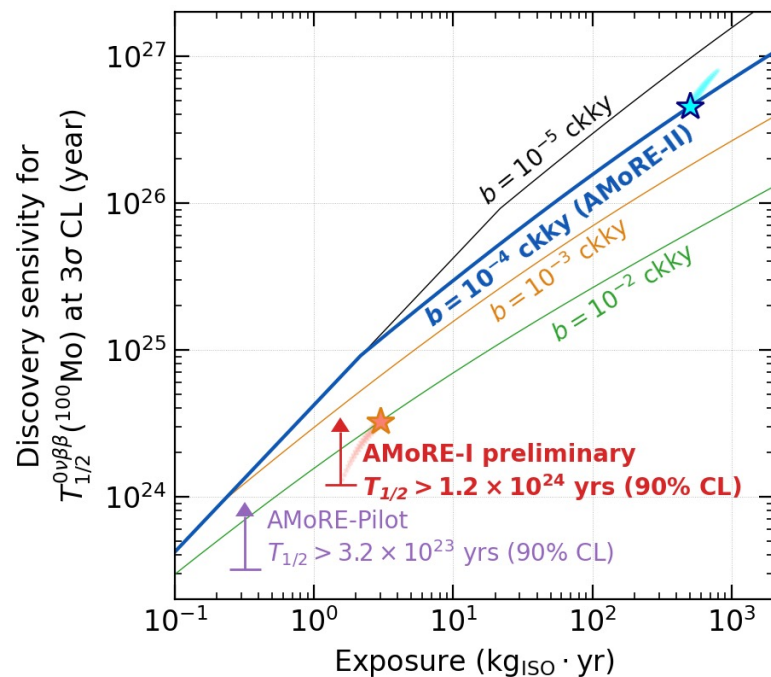
# AMoRE-II from chips to the house



# AMoRE-II Background budgets



# AMoRE-II goals



- AMoRE-II for  $T > \sim 5 \times 10^{26}$  years by 100 kg of  $^{100}\text{Mo} \times 5$  years running.
- Reduction of background level down below  $10^{-4}$  ckky.

# CANDLES-LT

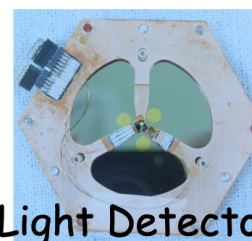
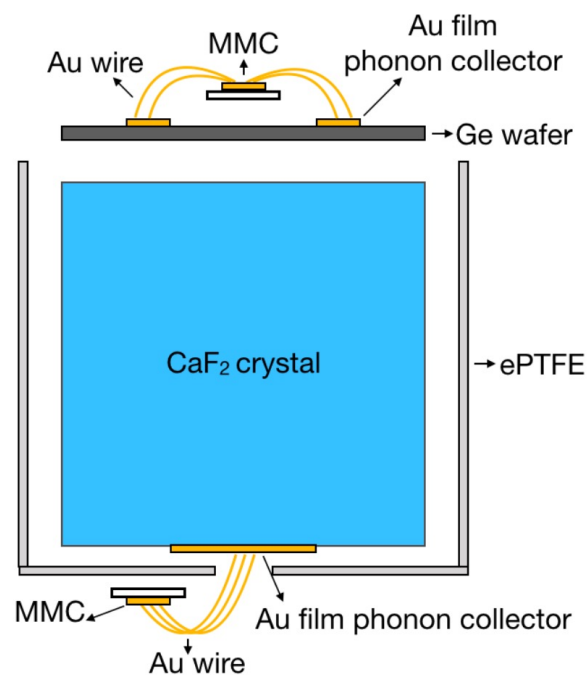
$^{48}\text{Ca}$

✓  $Q = 4271$  keV. The highest  $Q$

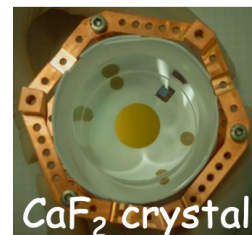
✓ Natural abundance : 0.187%

$\text{CaF}_2$  ,  $\text{CaF}_2(\text{Eu})$

Low Temp. R&D : Osaka Univ. + IBS/KRISS

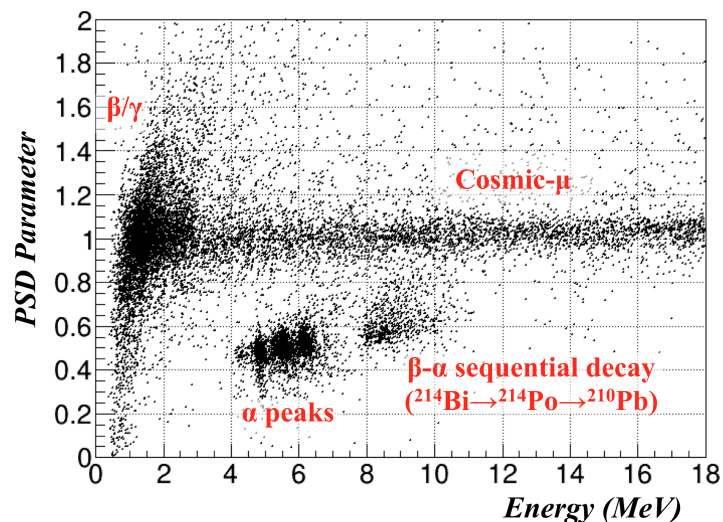


Light Detector  
Ge wafer(2 inch) as  
scintillation absorber



CaF<sub>2</sub> crystal

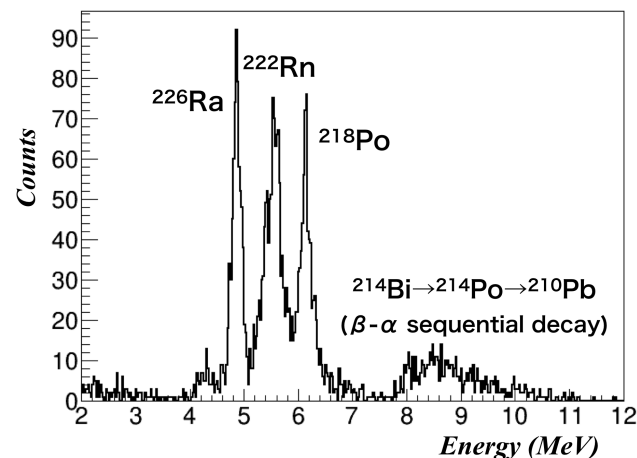
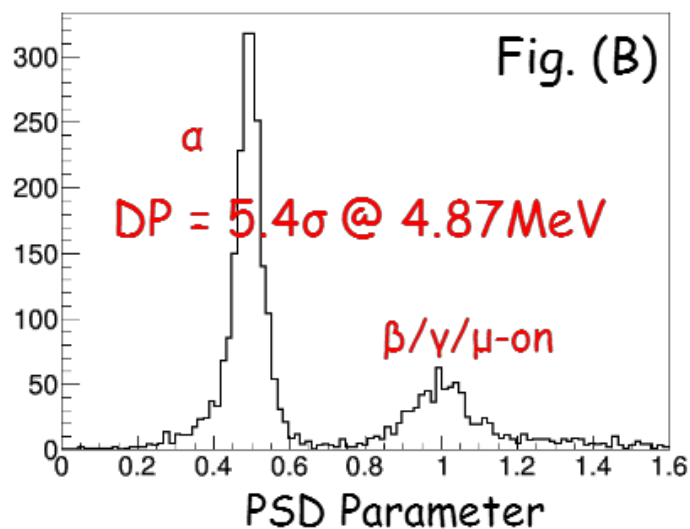
# Heat & Light detection with CaF<sub>2</sub>



- Promising demonstration for heat-light detection with MMCs from CaF<sub>2</sub> crystals at 10-20 mK
- Clear particle identification

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- Poor energy resolution due to position dependence

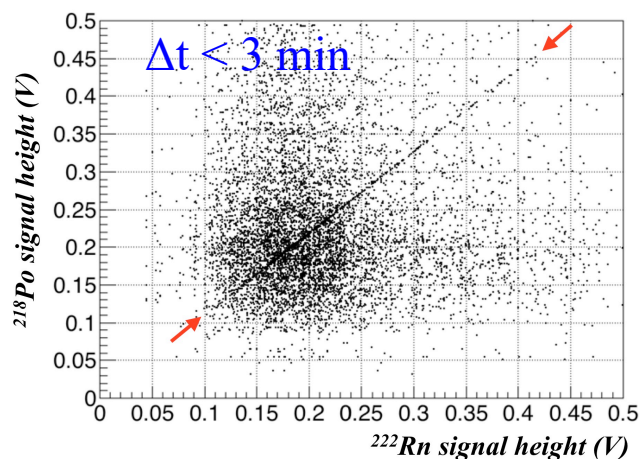


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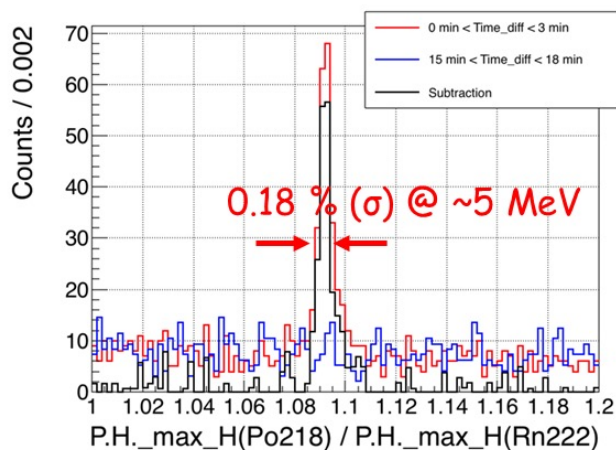
# Heat & Light detection with $\text{CaF}_2$

30 mBq of  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  (U-chain) within an R&D crystal

Delayed coincidence ( $^{222}\text{Rn} \rightarrow ^{218}\text{Po} \rightarrow ^{214}\text{Pb}$ )



- High resolution with position dependence correction
- Further R&D should continue.



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# R&D challenges

# Technical tasks and challenges

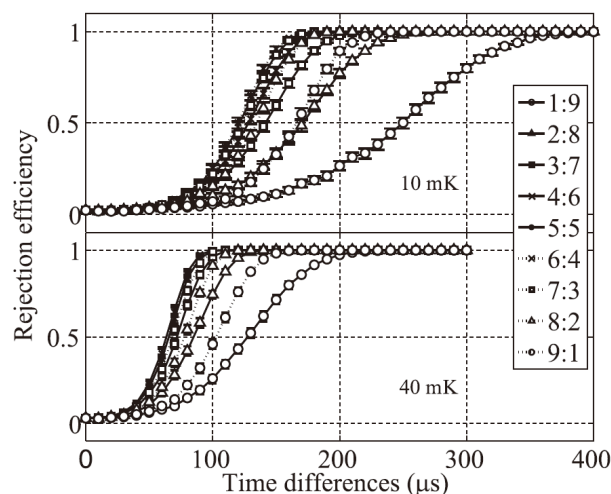
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- ✓ Unresolved pileups.
- ✓ Single-site event selection.
- ✓ Resolve position dependence (for fast sensors)
- ✓ Multiplexing capability

# Unresolved pileups of $^{100}\text{Mo}$ $2\nu\beta\beta$ signals

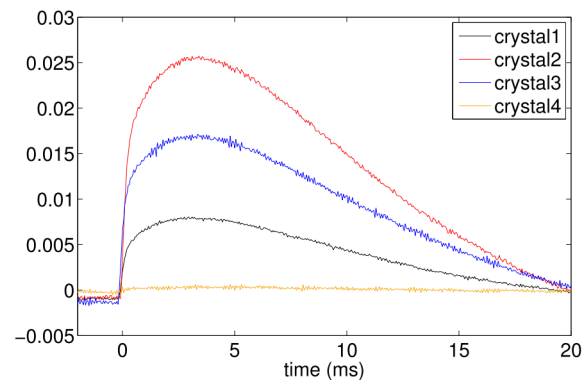
- 1 kg  $^{100}\text{Mo}$   $\rightarrow$   $\sim 20$  mBq of  $2\nu\beta\beta$        $T_{1/2}(2\nu\beta\beta \text{ } ^{100}\text{Mo}) > 7.1 \times 10^{18}$  year
- Timing resolution for pileup rejection:  
 $\sim 40 \mu\text{s}$  for  $10^{-5}$  ckky in a  $\text{O}50 \times 50$  LMO (in most conservative way)

With heat-signal rise-time only.  
 $120 \mu\text{s}$  at 10 mK,  $60 \mu\text{s}$  at 40 mK



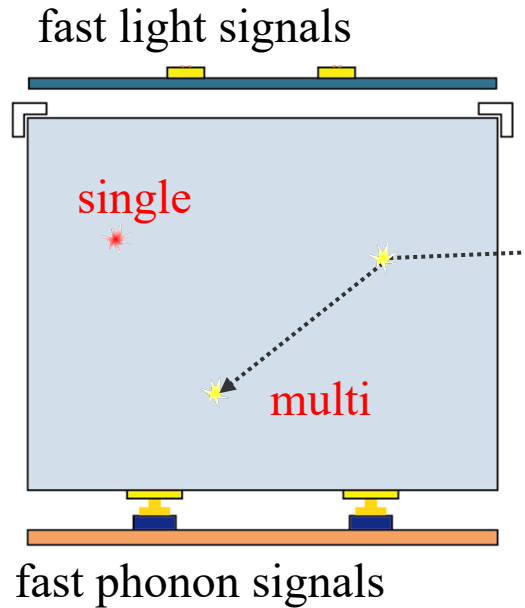
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Light signals:  $\tau_{\text{fast}} \sim 200 \mu\text{s}$   
 $\rightarrow \sim 100 \mu\text{s}$  rejection possibility

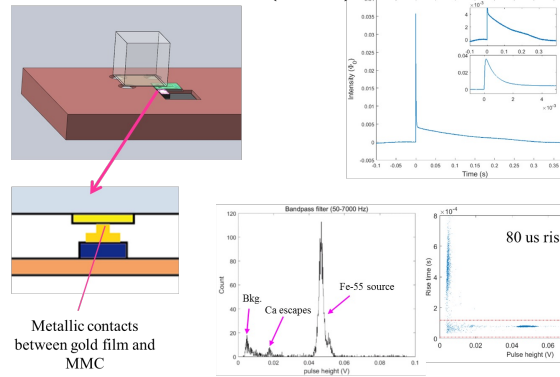


- Should improve  $\tau$  of light (heat) signals
- Likelihood pileup rejections should be implemented.

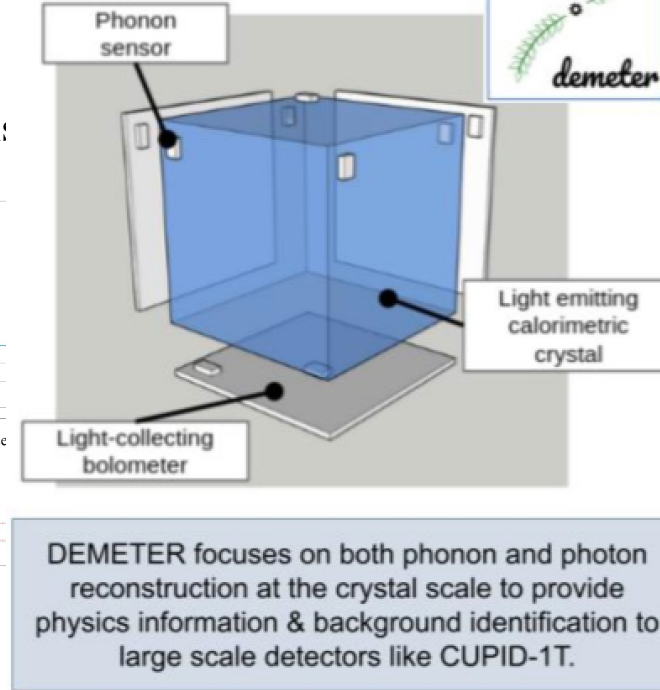
# R&D proposal to multi-site event rejection



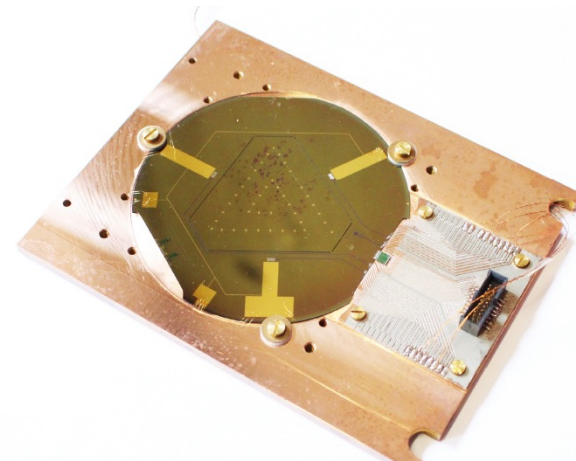
R&D result for fast heat signals:  
(IBS)



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- Fast heat & light signals.
- Finite phonon speed:  $\sim 10^5$  cm/s
- PSD with time dependence can be studied.



R&D setup for fast phonon-photon signals:  
30  $\mu$ s rise time  
(Heidelberg)

# SWOT for LT Detectors in $0\nu\beta\beta$ search

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## Strengths

- ✓ High energy resolution
- ✓ Particle ID
- ✓ Proven technology

## Weaknesses

- ✓ Surface effect
- ✓ Unresolved pileups
- ✓ Bkg from copper
- ✓ Number of channels

## Opportunities

- ✓ Use of Cherenkov light
- ✓ New crystal targets
- ✓ Single-site selection
- ✓ Multiplexing
- ✓ Possible collaboration

## Threats

- ✓ Isotope production
- ✓ Crystal growing
- ✓ Purification

# Closing remarks

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- ✓  $0\nu\beta\beta$  search projects with LT detectors are well established experiments.
- ✓ The technology provides promising performance in energy resolution, background reduction method, and scalability of the detector size.
- ✓ Those LT projects aim to investigate  $0\nu\beta\beta$  process in many nuclei.

**Stay tuned !**