

Trends in gaseous particle detectors and new physics

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MPGD2009, Kolymbari, Crete, Greece



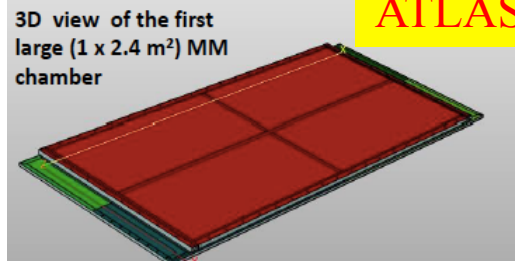
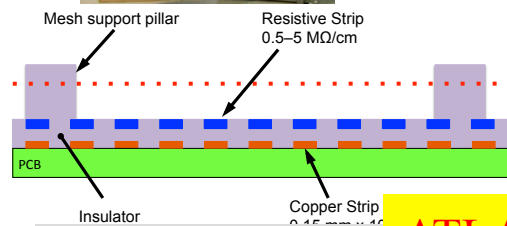
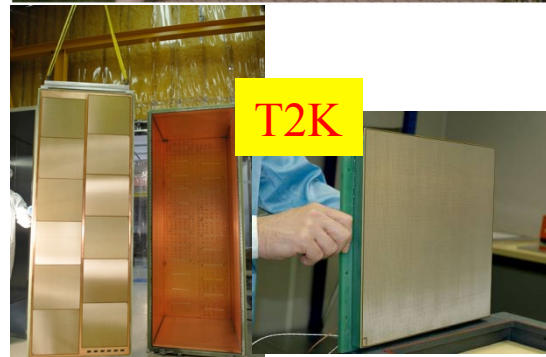
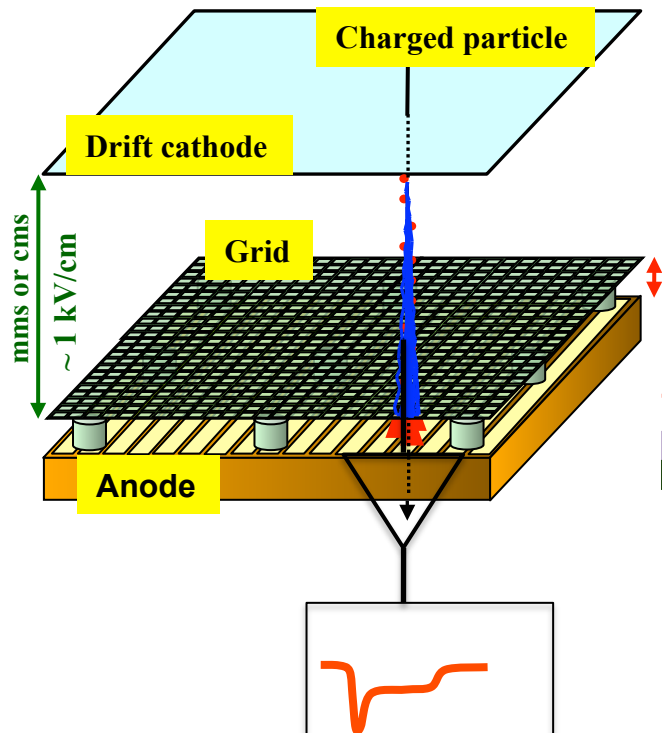
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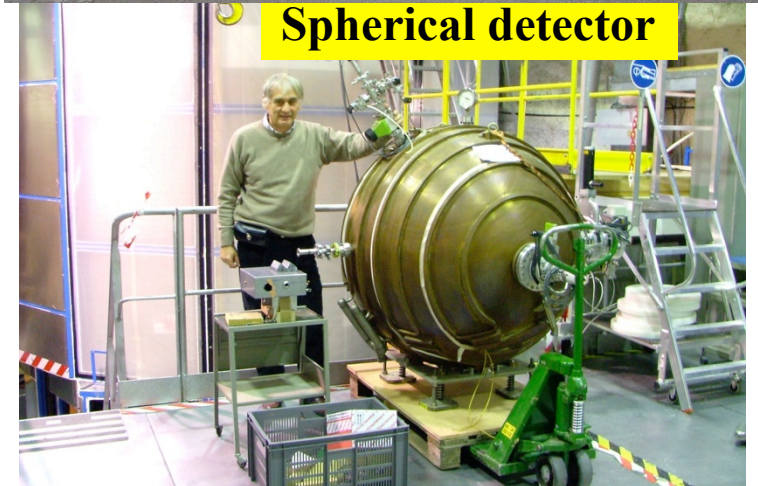
MPGD2013, Saragoza, Spain



MPGD2015, Trieste, Italy

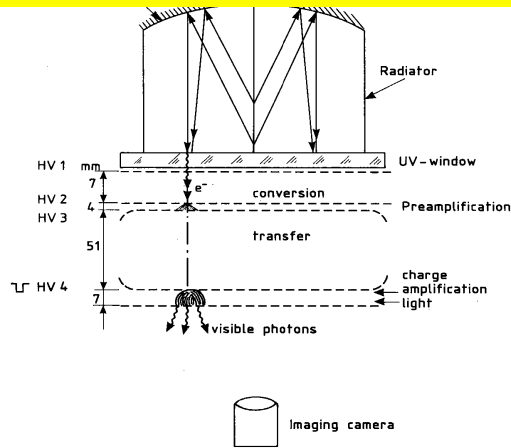


Spherical detector

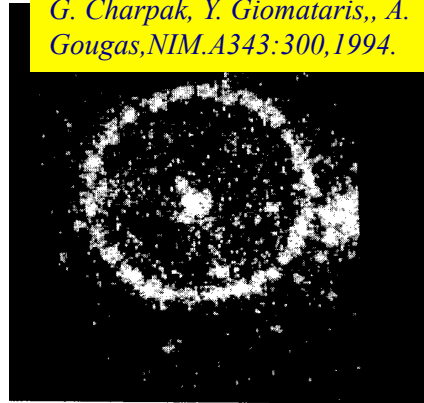


Previous developments

A high-energy gamma ray telescope I. Giomataris; G. Charpak, CERN-EP-88-94

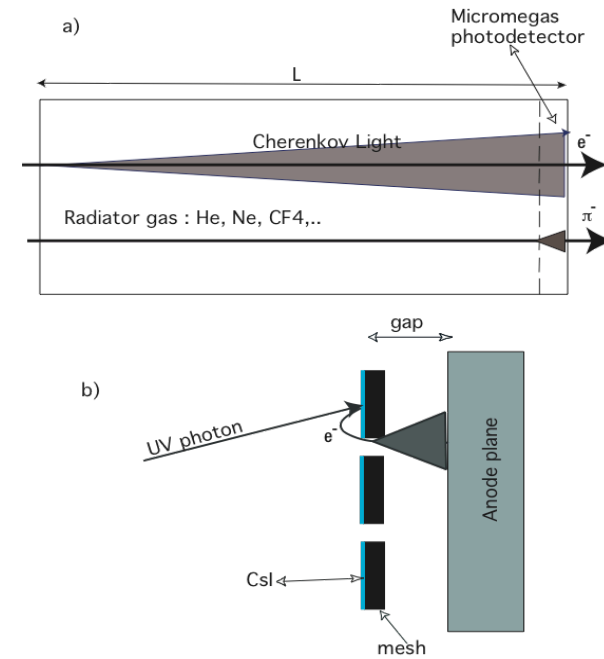


A single electron shower G. Charpak, Y. Giomataris, A. Gougas, NIM.A343:300,1994.



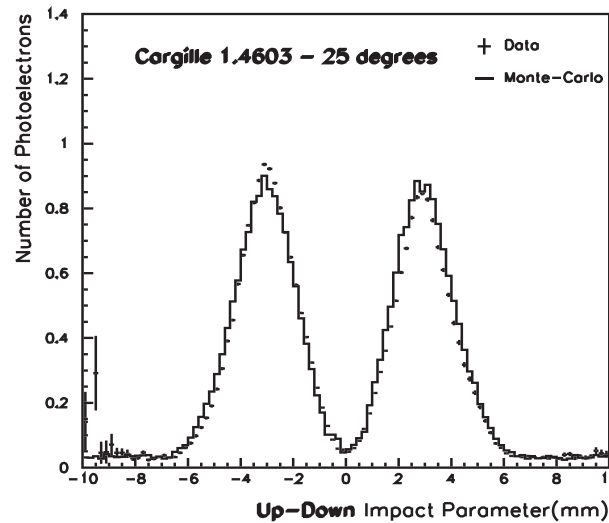
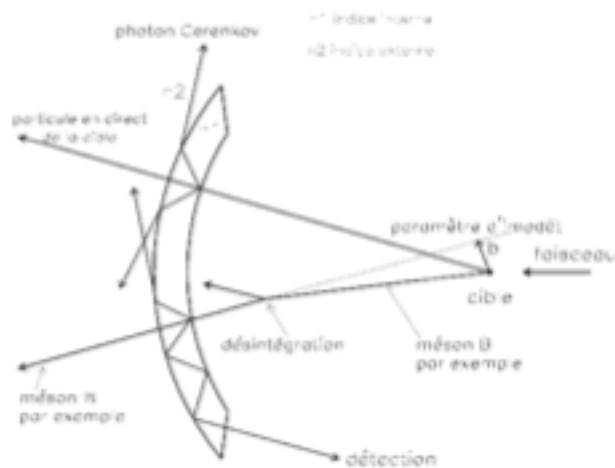
A Hadron Blind Detector (HBD)

I. Giomataris, G. Charpak, NIM A310(1991)589



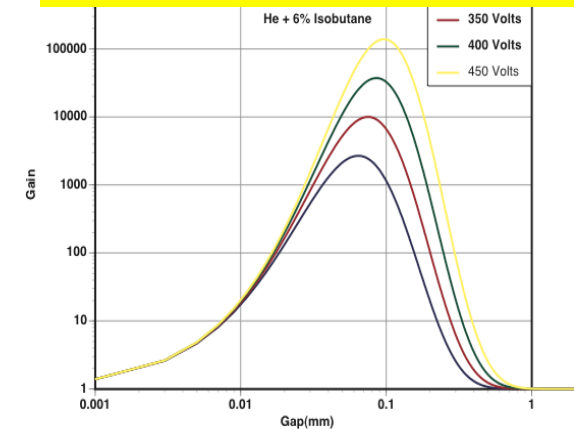
The trigger for Beauty

G. Charpak, I. Giomataris, L. Lederman, NIMA306(1991)439
Developed by Lausanne Uni, Saclay, CERN



Virtue of the small gap

Y. Giomataris, NIM A419, p239 (1998)

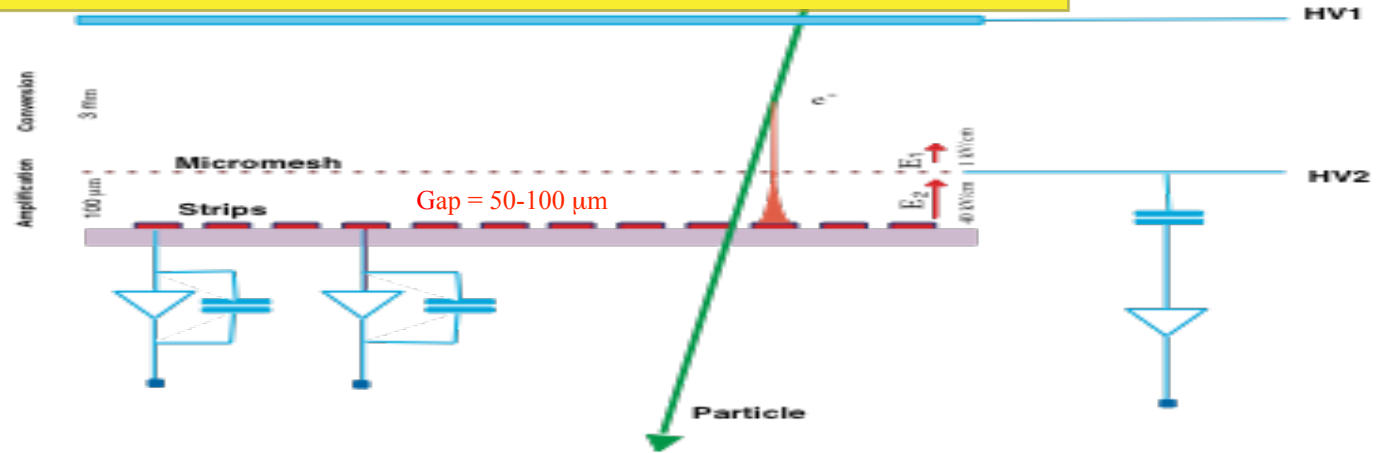


Optimum gap : 30 - 100 microns

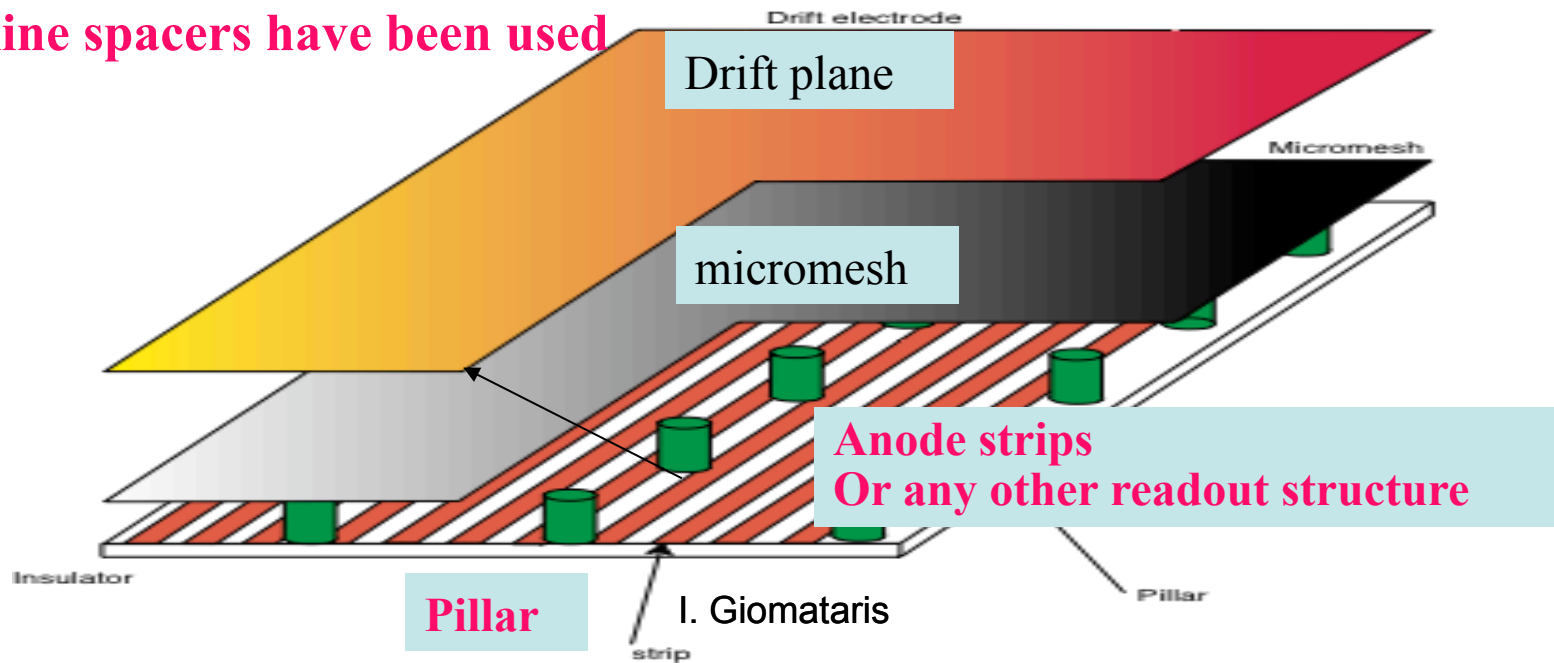
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Y. Giomataris, Ph. Rebourgeard, J.P. Robert, Charpak, NIMA376(1996)29



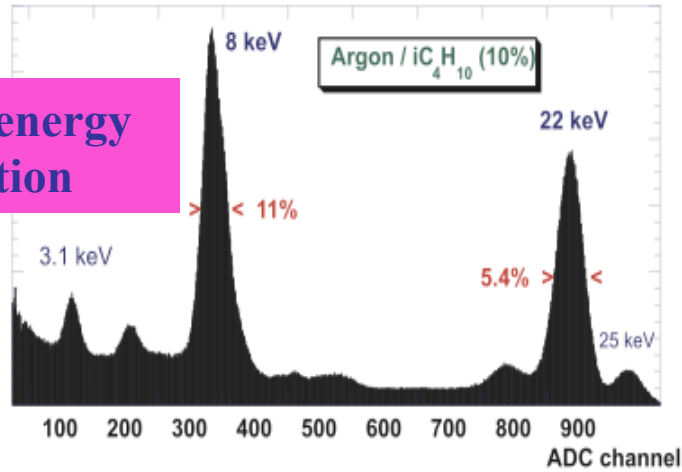
In 1st Micromegas
Fishing line spacers have been used



Earlier Micromegas performance

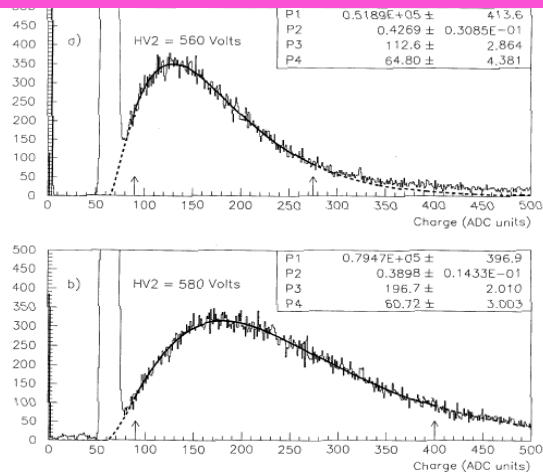
High radiation resistance : > 30 mC/mm² > 25 LHC years
 G. Puill, et al., IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. NS-46 (6) (1999)1894.

Good energy resolution



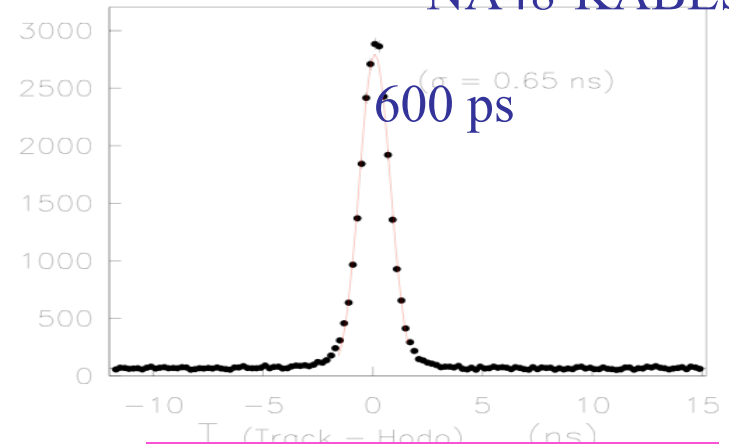
A. Delbart, Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A461:84-87,2001

Excellent single electron resolution



Sub-nanosecond time resolution

NA48-KABES



σ (μ m)

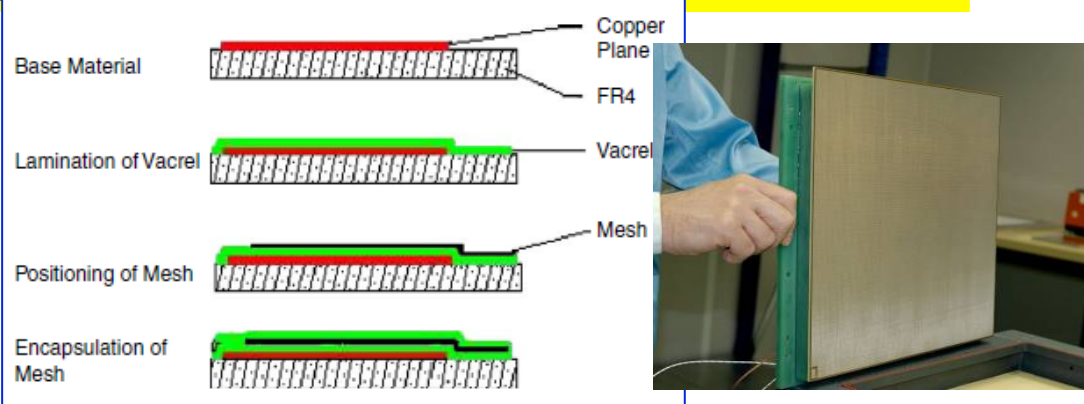
High accuracy < 12 μ m

	Pitch(μ m)	Gas mixture	Institute
12			
60	317	Ar + 10% DME	Saclay
45	200	Ar + 25% CO ₂	Subatech
50	200	Ne + 10% DME	Mulhouse
42	100	Ar + 10% Isobutane	Saclay
29	100	He+ 6% Isobutane + 10% CF ₄	Saclay
25	50	He + 20% DME	Saclay
12	100	CF ₄ + 20% Isobutane	Saclay

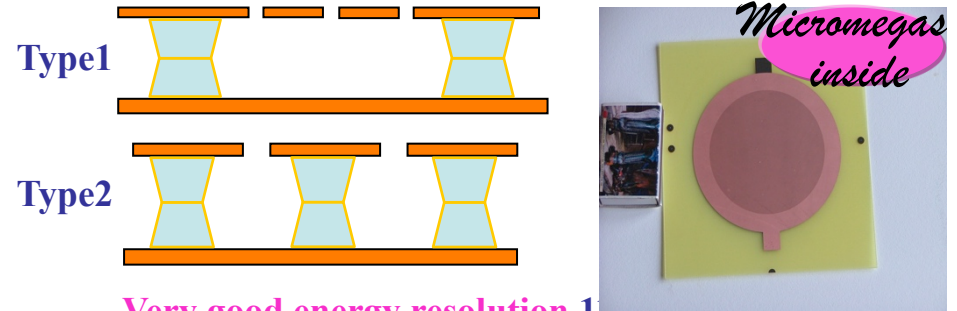
I. Giomataris

Micromegas fabrication technologies

Bulk micromegas : pre-stretched steel mesh laminated together with a PCB support and a photoresistive layer, later removed apart where pillars are formed, *I. Giomataris et al., NIMA 560 (2006) 405*



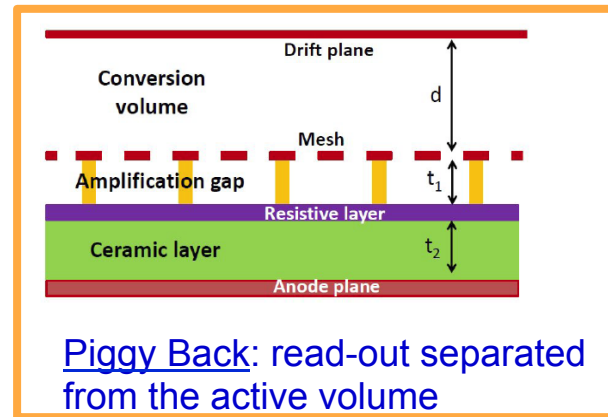
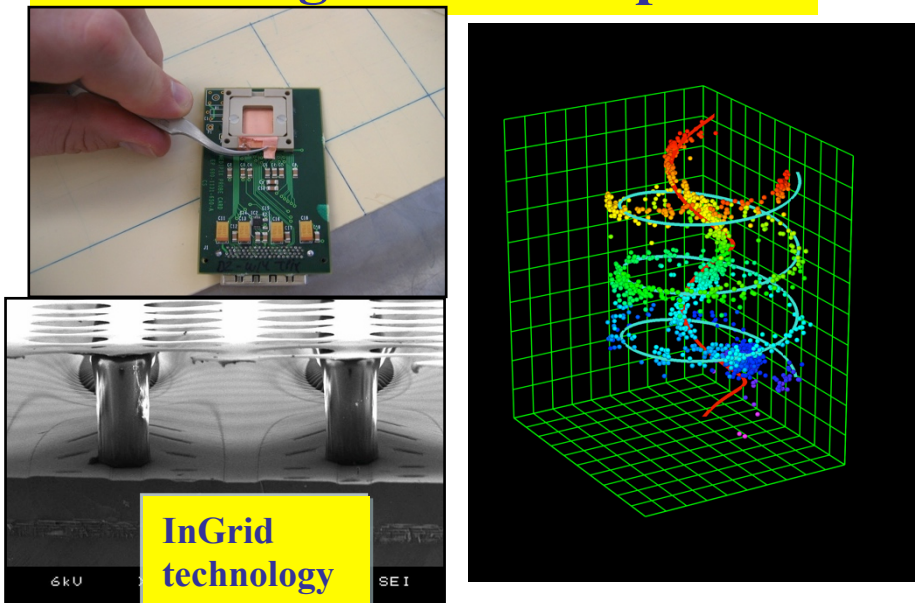
micro-Bulk,
50 μm , 25 and 12.5 μm gaps fabricated



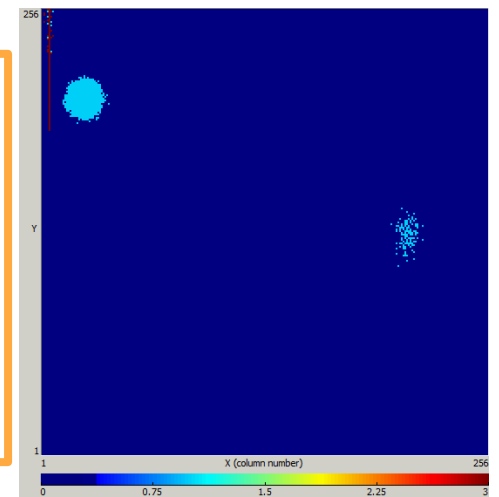
- Very good energy resolution 11% at 5.9 KeV**
- Flexible structure (cylinder)
 - Low material
 - Low radioactivity

Piggy Back: read-out separated from the active volume

Micromegas + micro-pixels

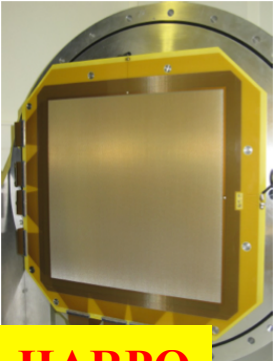


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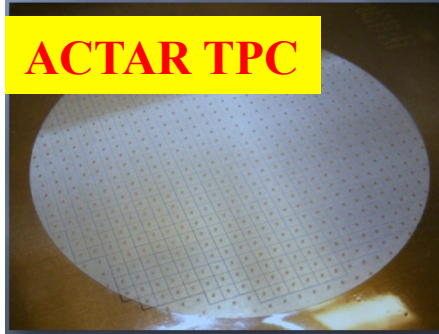


Some experiments using Micromegas read-out

ATLAS-SLHC



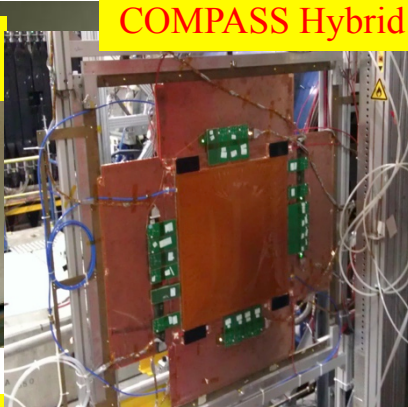
HARPO



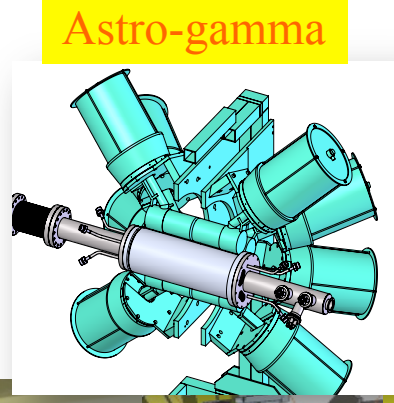
ACTAR TPC



T2K

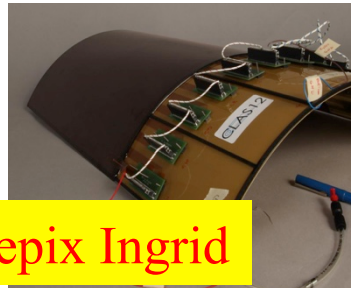


COMPASS Hybrid MM

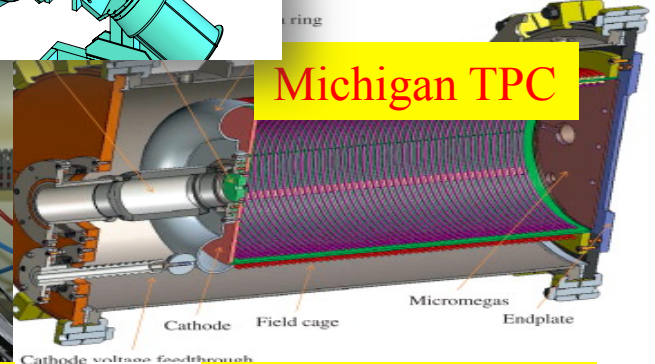


Astro-gamma

CLAS12G



MINOS

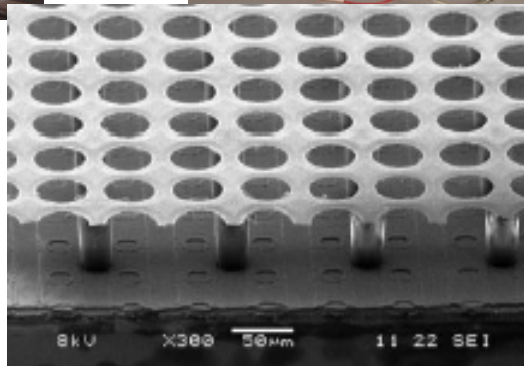


Michigan TPC

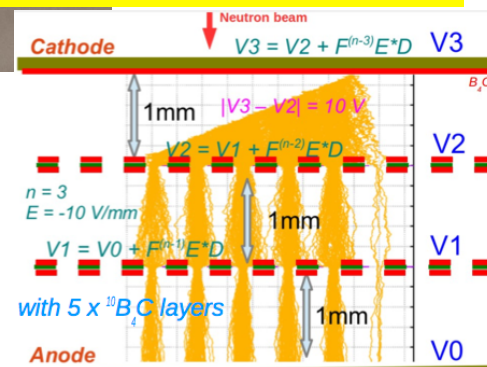


ILC/TPC

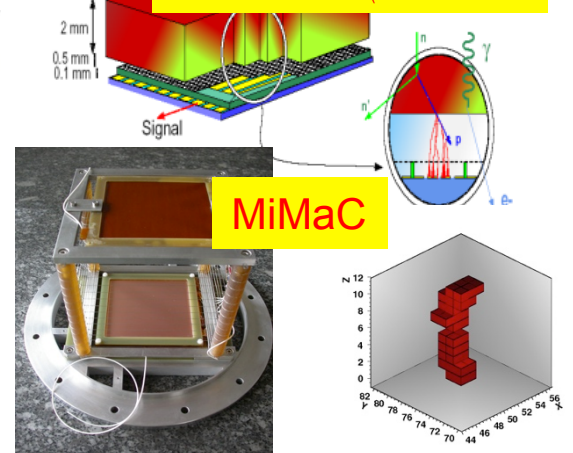
Timepix Ingrid



B₄C multi-layer detectors



Laser MJ (CESTA)



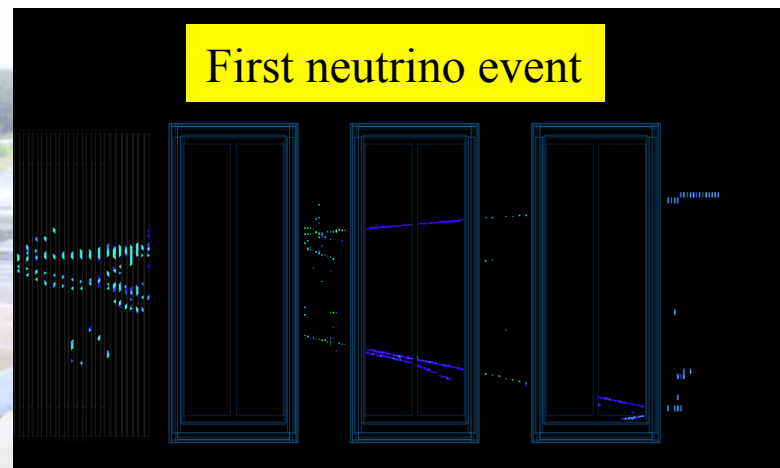
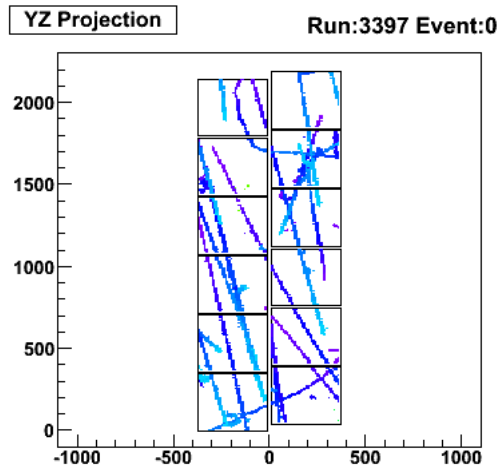
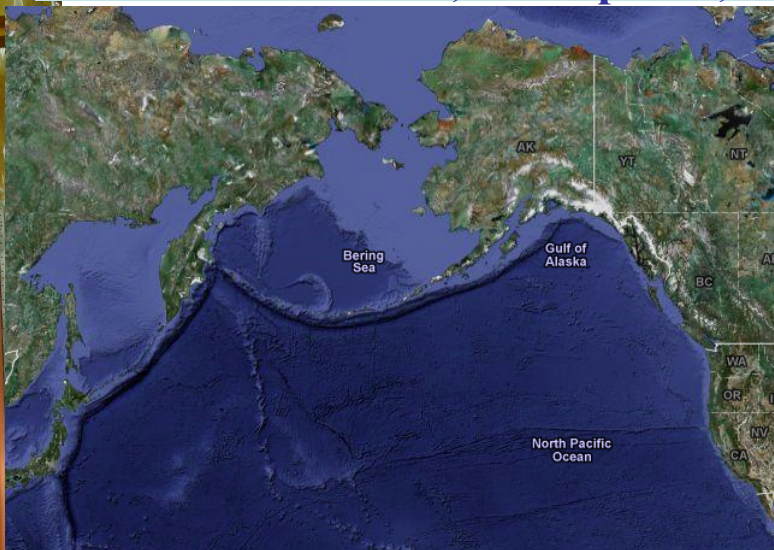
MiMaC



HCAL

T2K Micromegas TPC – Bulk technology

3xTPCs, 6 end plates, 72 Micromegas



**Next upgrade under study:
A high pressure TPC**

Construction of large chambers in ATLAS

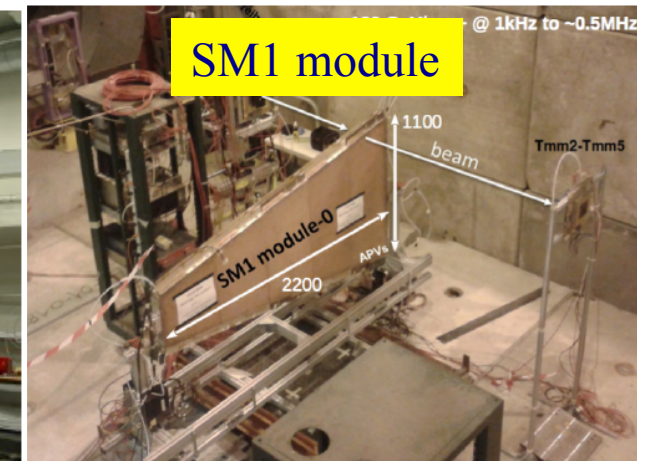
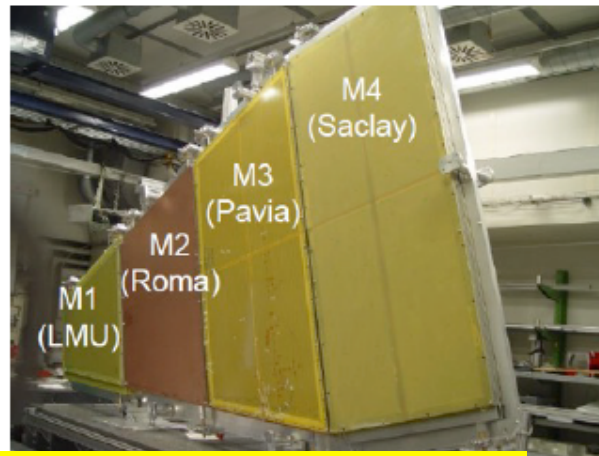
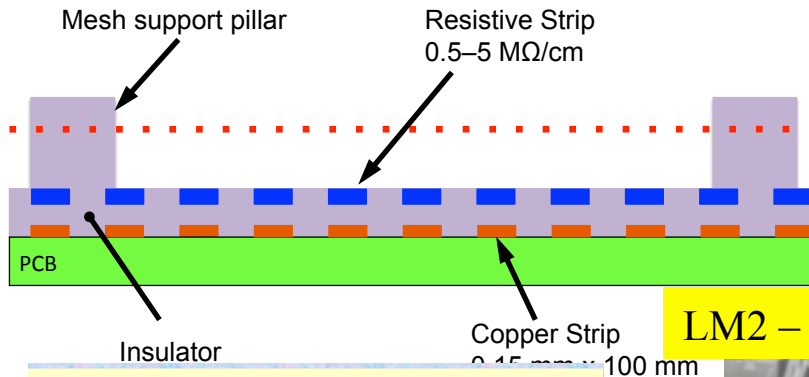
Goal : 1200 m² total detector surface

Industrialization is going on through ELVIA, ELTOS

ATLAS Resistive strip technology

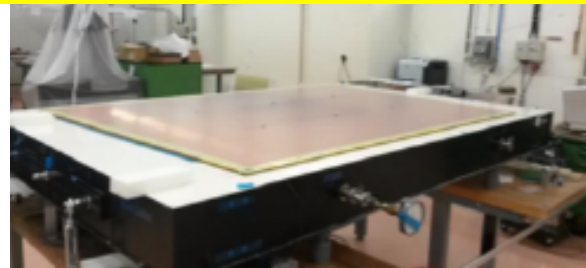
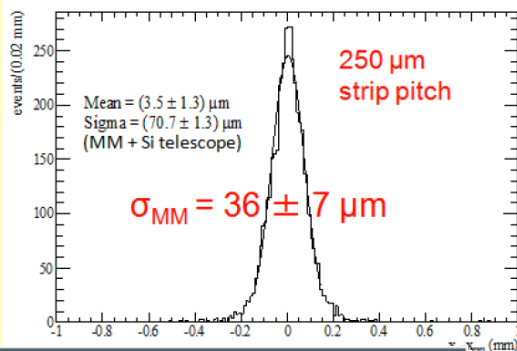
Joerg Wotschack, *Mod.Phys.Lett. A28 (2013) 1340020*

T. Alexopoulos, et al. *Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 640, 110-118, (2011).*

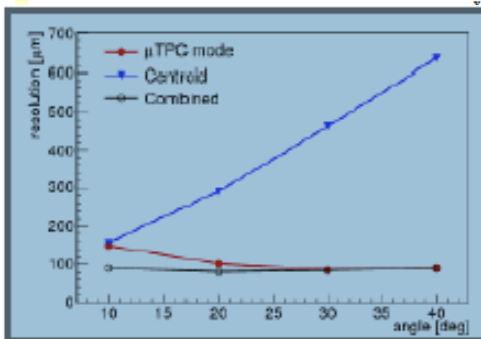


LM2 – CERN / Dubna -Thessaloniki

Bulk Micromegas (2008 test-beam):

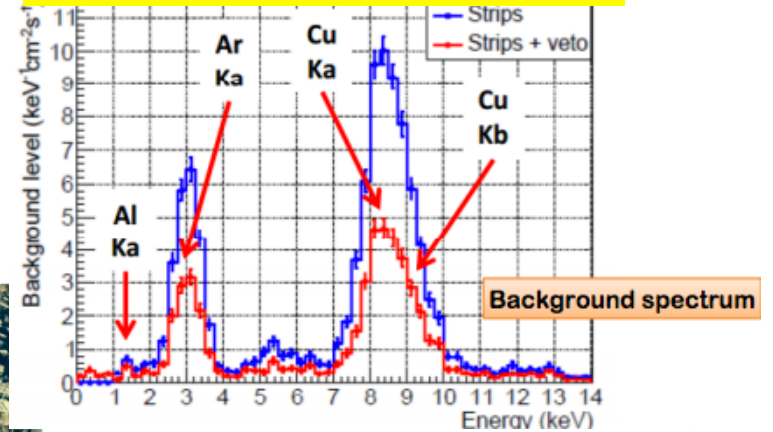
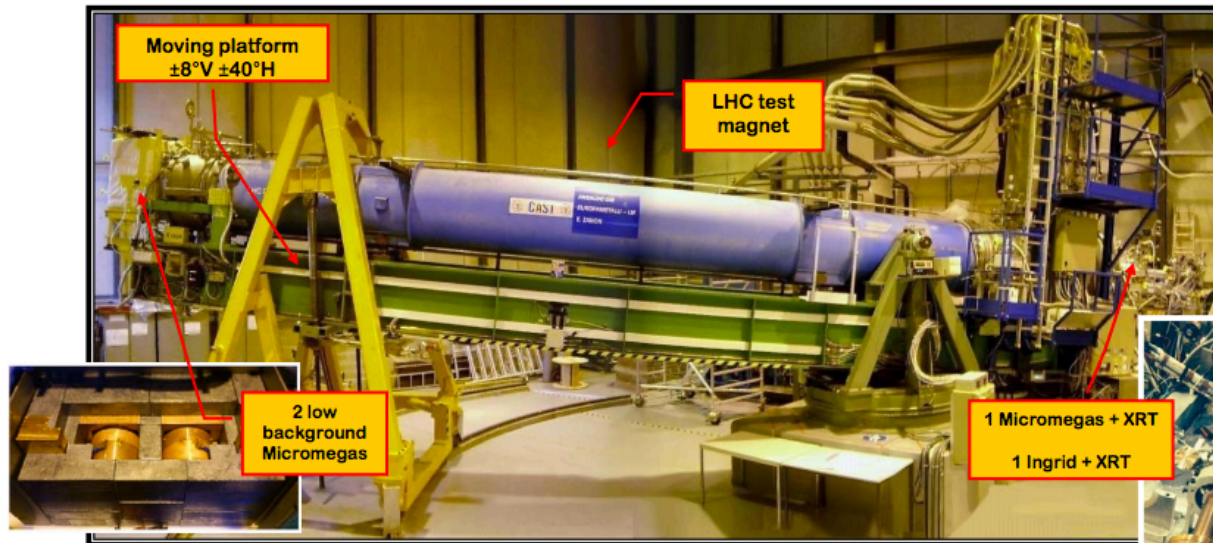


At Saclay the large clean room is ready and operational
First M0 module is under construction and soon will be tested

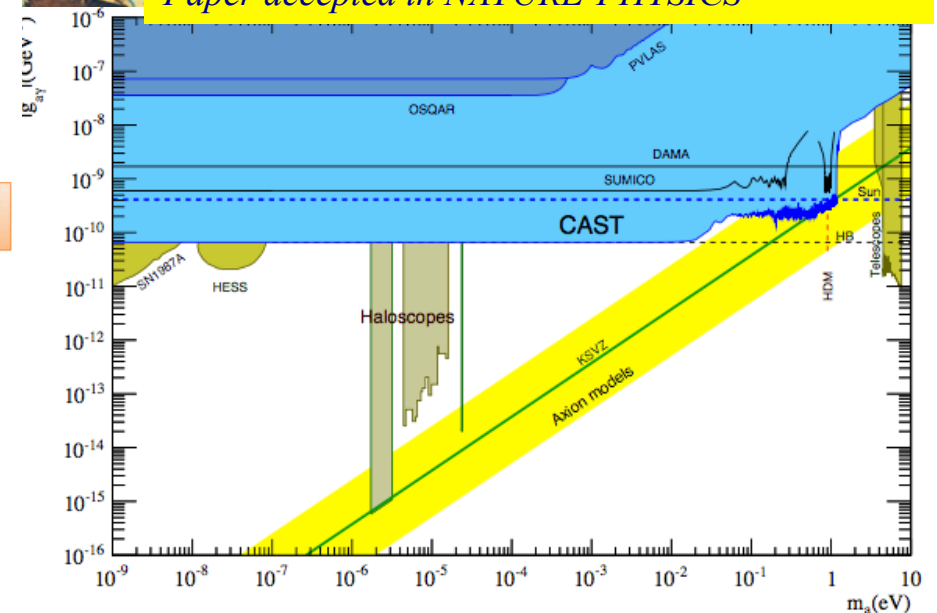
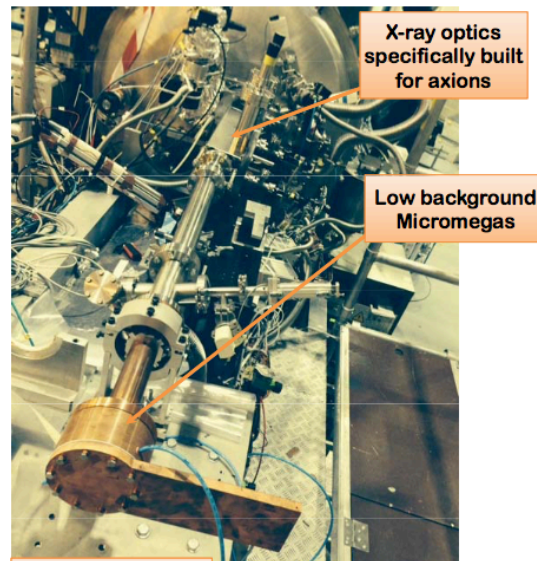
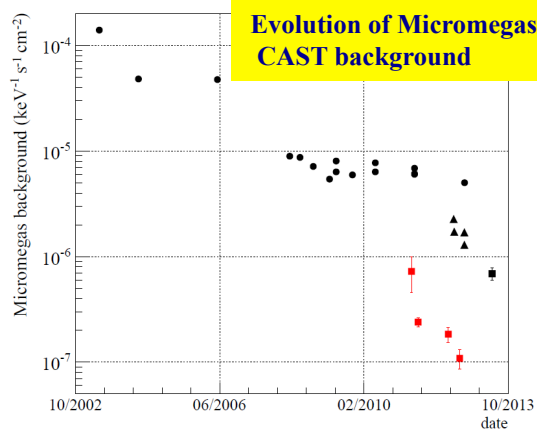


Micromegas micro-bulk in CAST

Lowest background than any other CAST detector



Axion search latest exclusion plots
Paper accepted in *NATURE-PHYSICS*

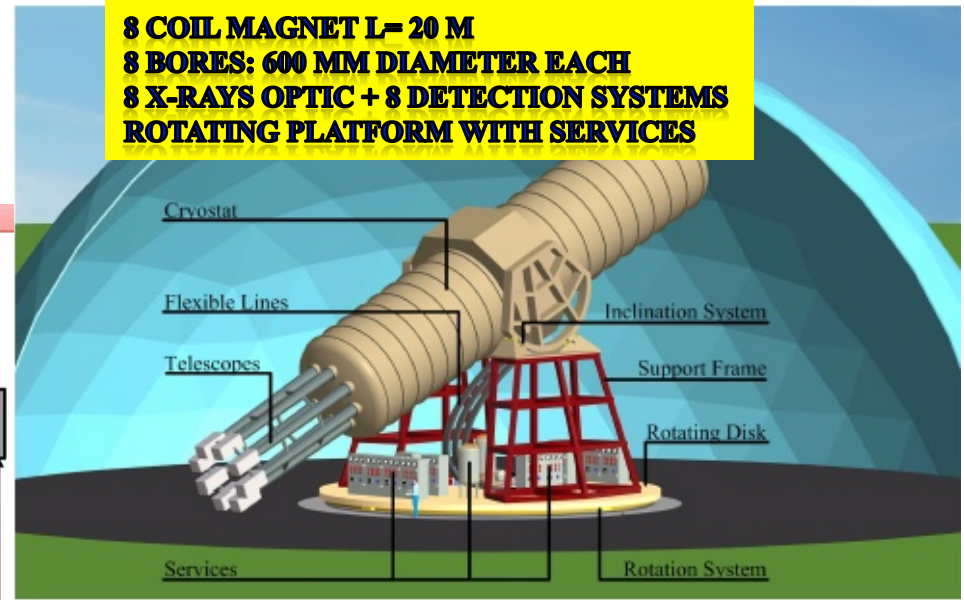
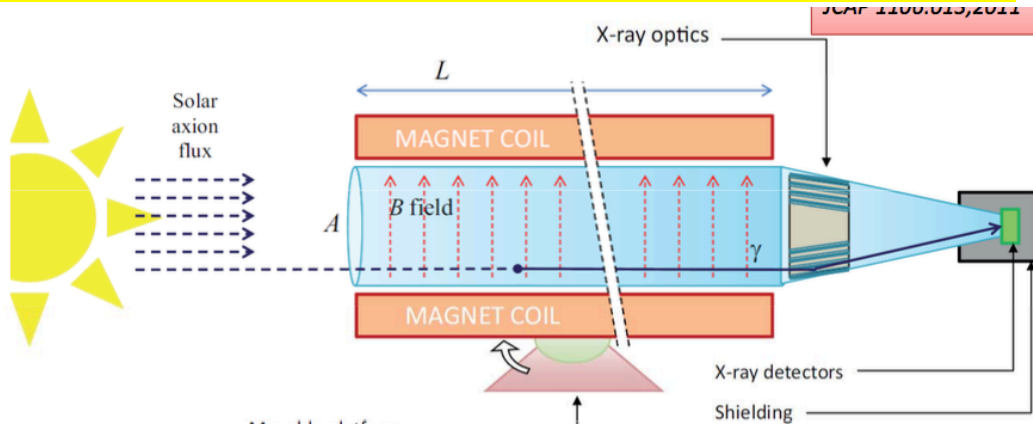


International Axion Observatory (IAXO)

A new proposed experiment

JCAP 1106:013,2011

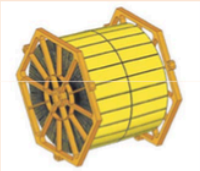
8 COIL MAGNET L= 20 M
8 BORES: 600 MM DIAMETER EACH
8 X-RAYS OPTIC + 8 DETECTION SYSTEMS
ROTATING PLATFORM WITH SERVICES



IAXO technologies – Baseline

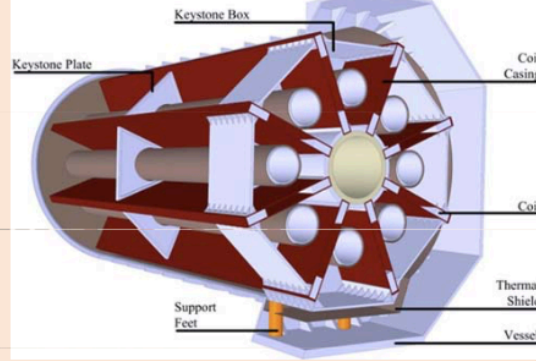
IAXO telescopes

- Slumped glass technology with multilayers
- Cost-effective to cover large areas
- Based on NuSTAR developments
- Focal length ~5 m
- 60-70% efficiency
- LLNL+UC+DTU+MIT expertise



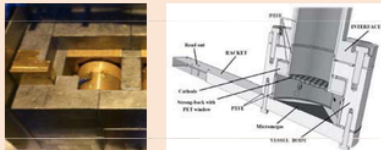
IAXO magnet

- Superconducting “detector” magnet.
- Toroidal geometry (8 coils)
- Based on ATLAS toroid technical solutions.
- CERN+CEA expertise
- 8 bores / 20 m long / 60 cm Ø per bore

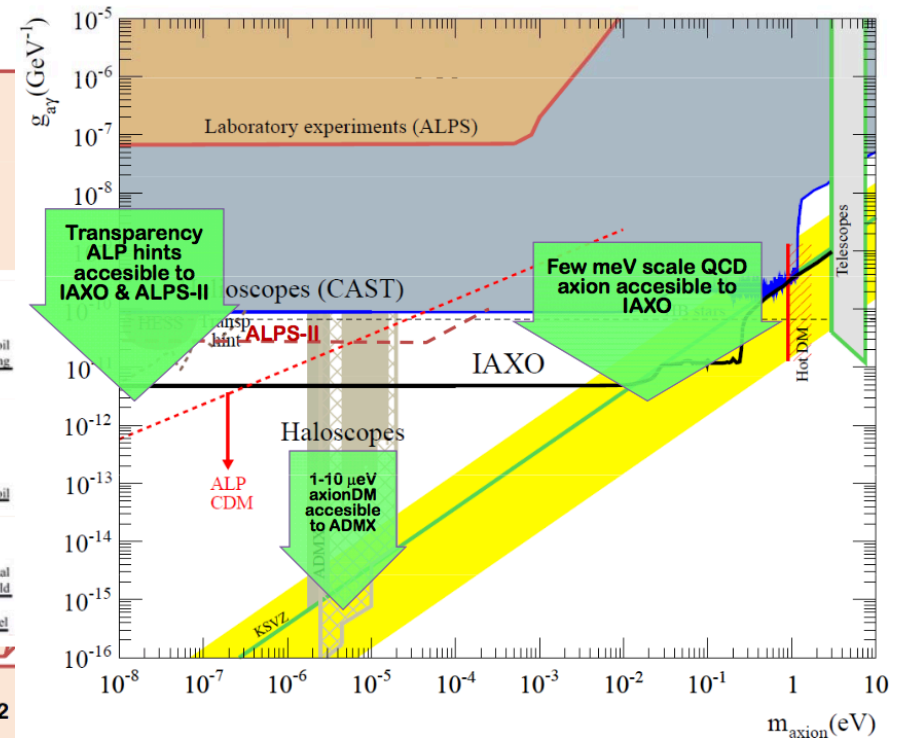


IAXO detectors

- Micromegas gaseous detectors
- Radiopure components + shielding
- Discrimination from event topology in gas
- Long trajectory in CAST
- Zaragoza + CEA (+ others) expertise
- Also considered: Ingrid, MMCs, CCDs



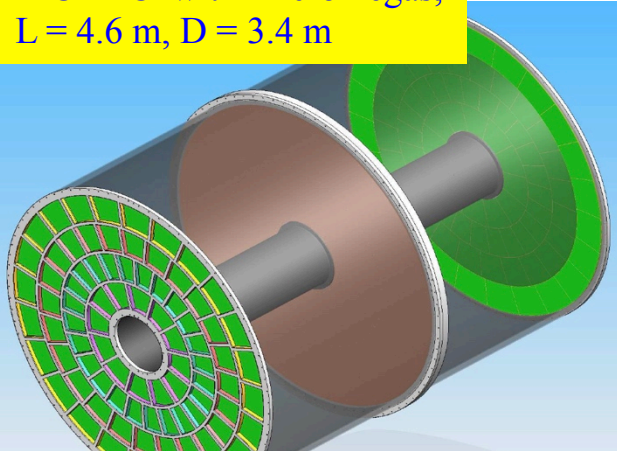
Baseline developed at:
 IAXO Letter of Intent: CERN-SPSC-2013-022
 IAXO Conceptual Design: JINST 9 (2014) T05002 (arXiv:1401.3233)



ILC TPC project - Large International collaboration

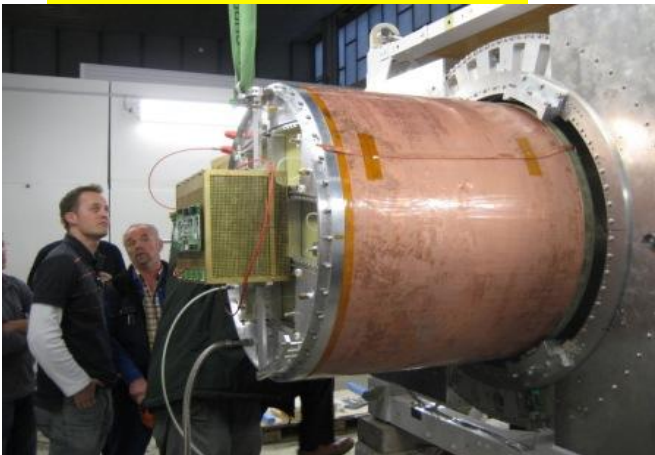
G. Aarons et al., arXiv:0709.1893, M. S. Dixit et al., NIMA 518 (2004) 521, M. Kobayashi et al., NIMA581(2007)265,

ILC TPC with Micromegas,
L = 4.6 m, D = 3.4 m

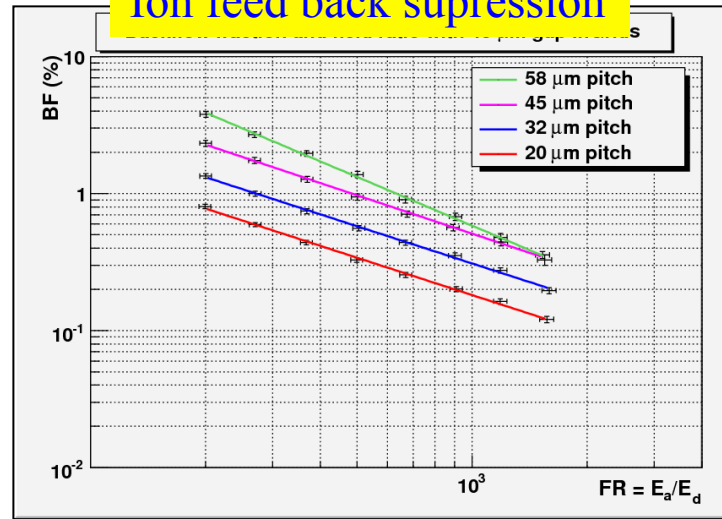


Momentum resolution = 5×10^{-5}

ILC TPC prototype
with Micromegas



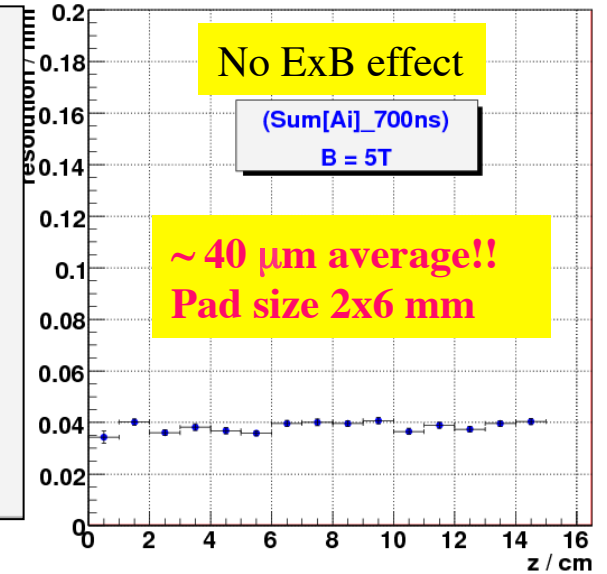
Ion feed back suppression



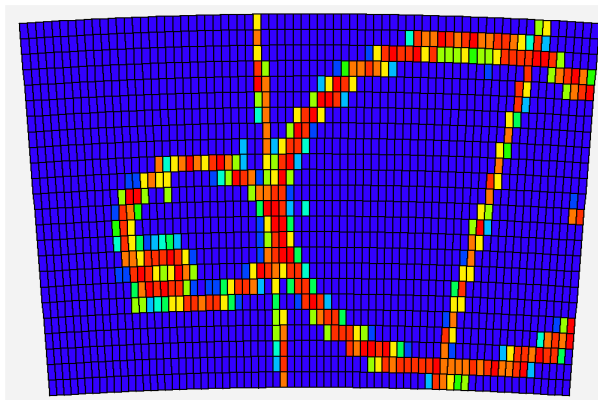
No ExB effect

(Sum[A_i]_{700ns})
B = 5T

~ 40 μm average!!
Pad size 2x6 mm



Event in DESY test beam

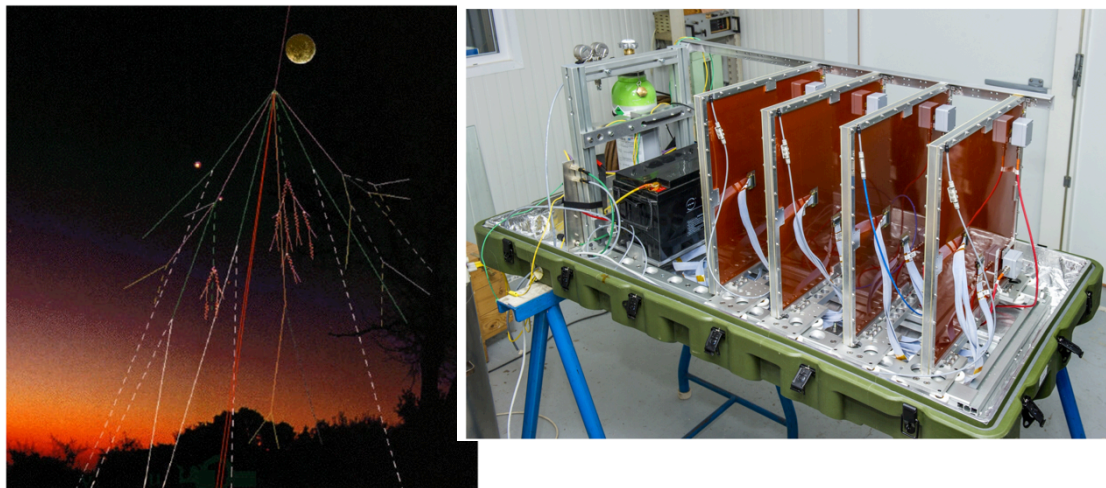


TPC Micromegas advantages

- Ion suppression .1%
- No ExB effect
- Great resolution ~ 40 μm
- Good energy resolution

Muon tomography using Micromegas detector

D. Attie, S. Bouteille, S. Procureur et al.

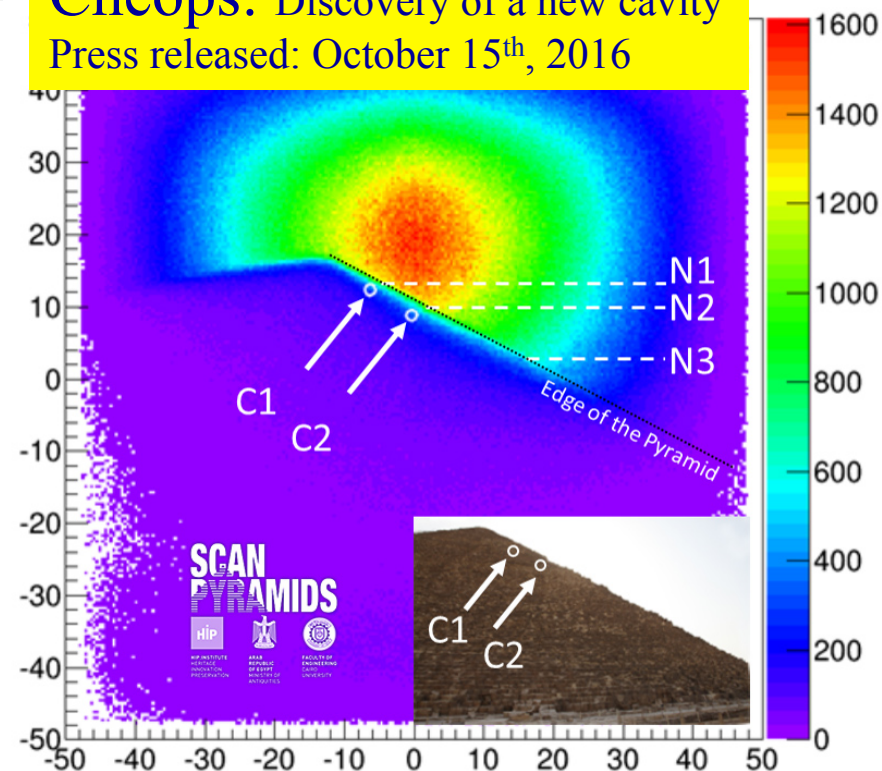
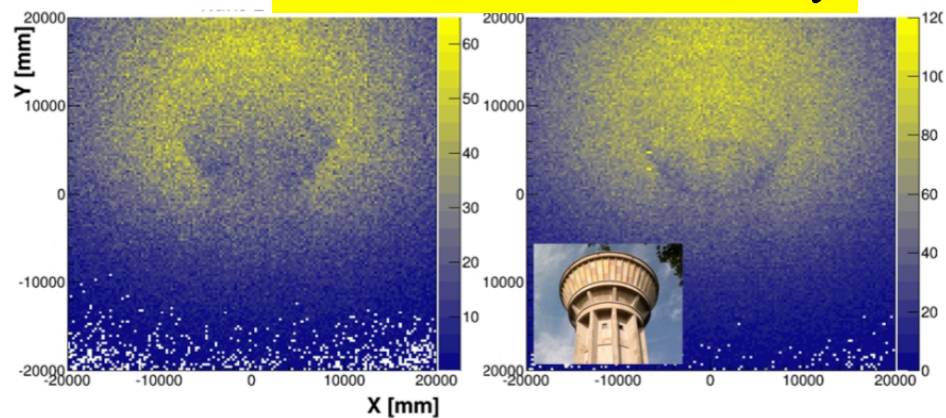


ScanPyramids Mission



Cheops: Discovery of a new cavity
Press released: October 15th, 2016

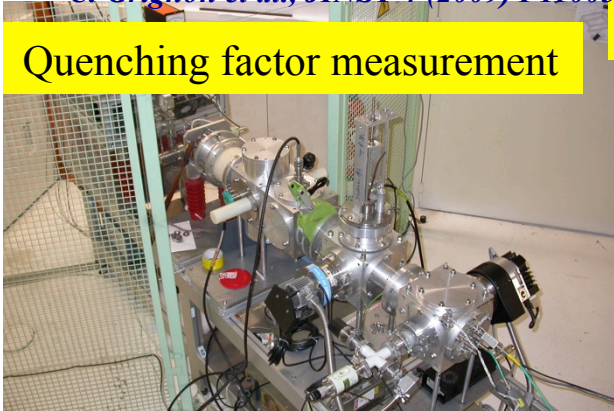
‘Chateau d’eau’ at Saclay



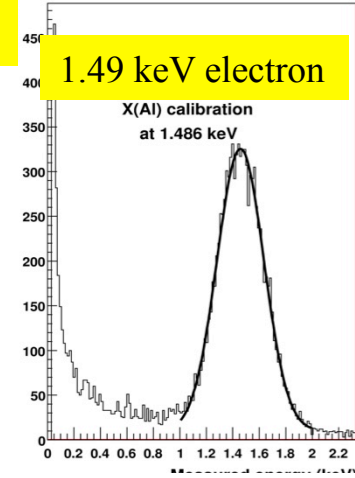
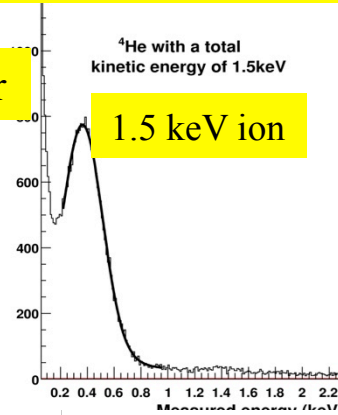
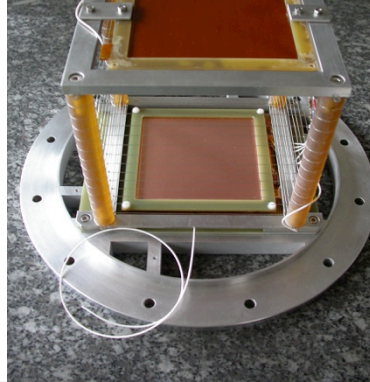
MIMAC-He3 Micro-tpc Matrix of Chambers of He3
WIMP directional TPC, Micromegas read-out,
Grenoble – Saclay, Cadarache collaboration
C. Grignon et al., JINST 4 (2009) P11003

Direct QF evaluation
D. Santos et al., [arXiv:0810.1137]

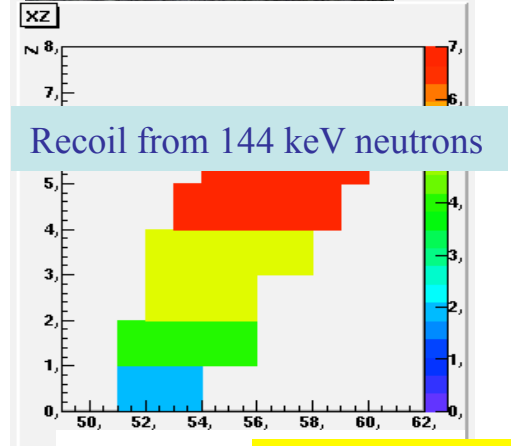
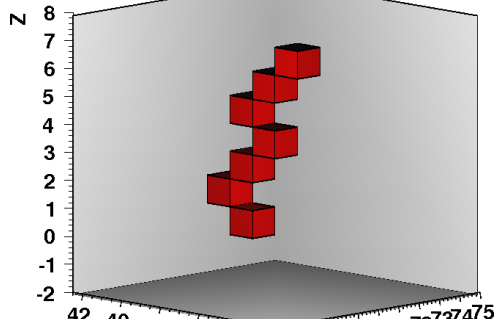
Quenching factor measurement



Micromegas: μ TPC chamber

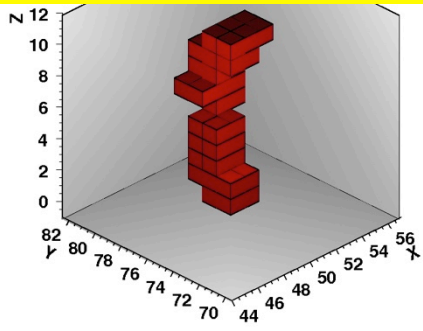


proton 8 keV, He + 5% iC_4H_{10} , 350 mbar

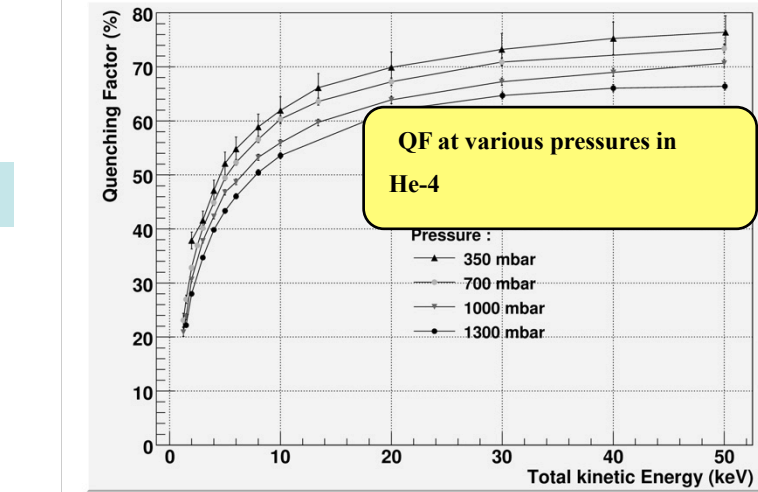
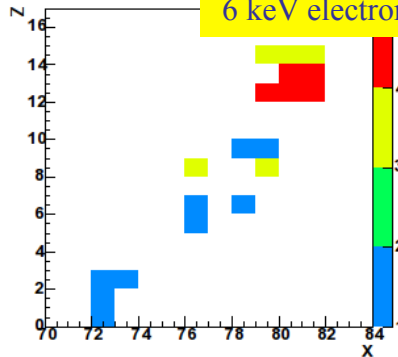


Recoil from 144 keV neutrons

40 keV ^{19}F , 70 % CF_4 + 30% CHF_3 , 55 mbar

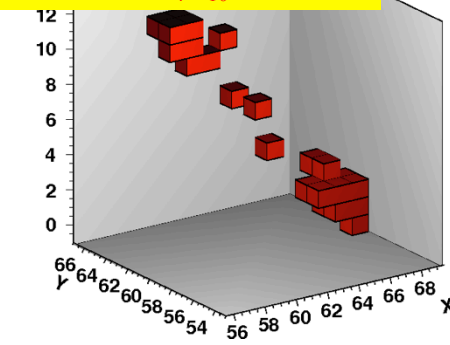


6 keV electrons in He + 5% iC_4H_{10} , 350 mbar



QF at various pressures in He-4

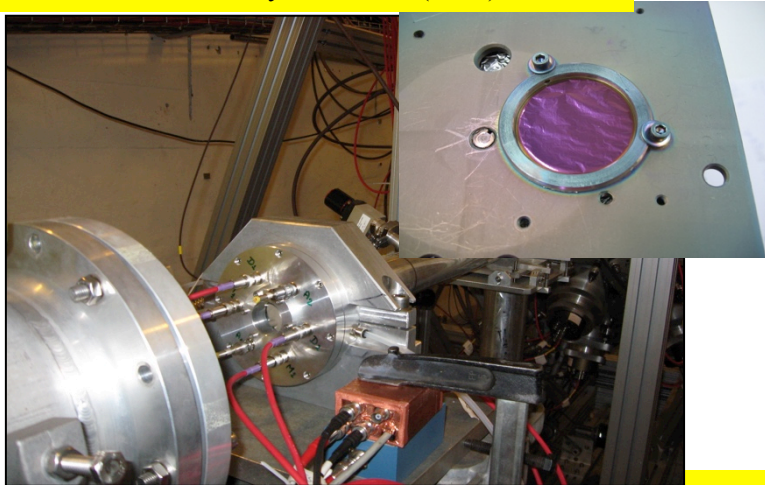
Pressure :
 ▲ 350 mbar
 ■ 700 mbar
 ◆ 1000 mbar
 ● 1300 mbar



Applications in neutron detection

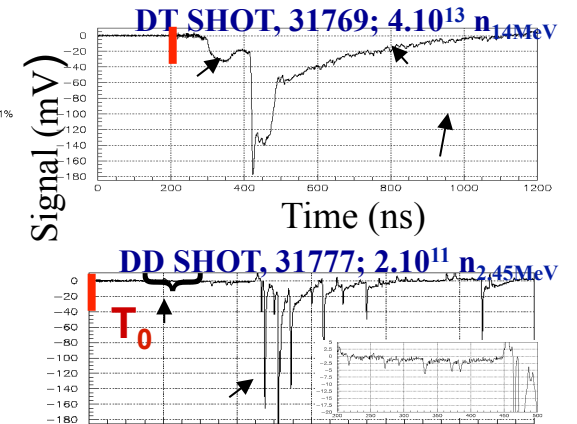
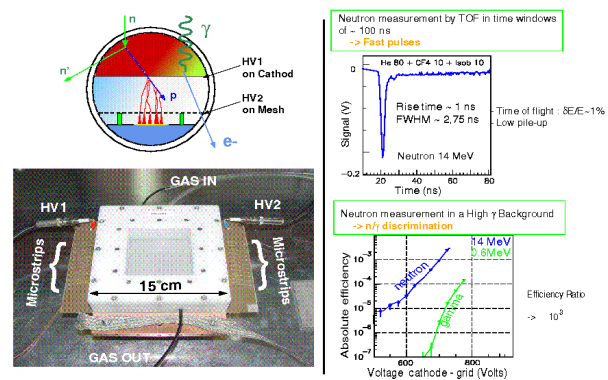
n-TOF MicroMegas-based neutron transparent flux monitor and profiler

F. Belloni et al., Mod.Phys.Lett. A28 (2013) 1340023

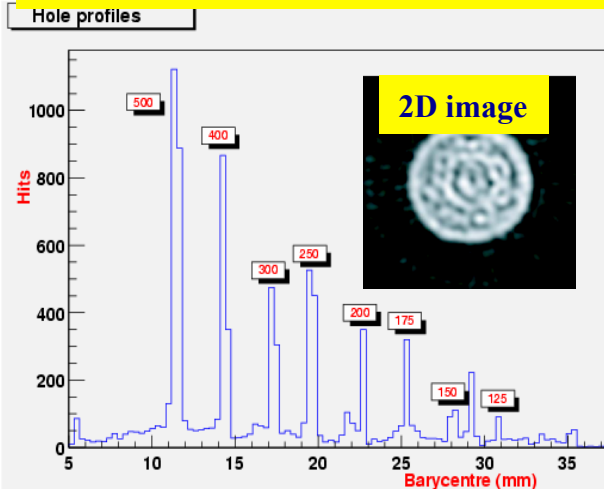


Micromégas Concept for Laser MégaJoule and ICF Facilities

M. Houry et al., NIM_557(2006)648

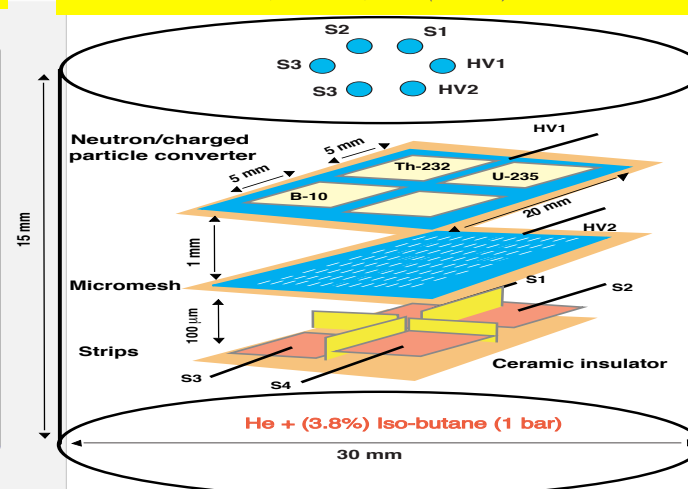


neutron tomography



Piccolo Micromegas, Nuclear reactor in-core neutron measurement

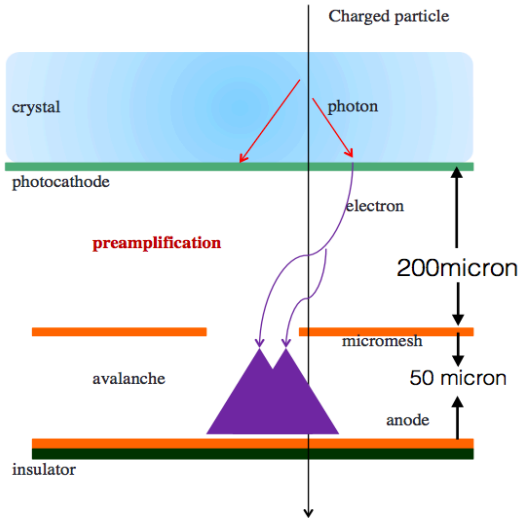
J. Pancin et al., NIMA, 592(2008)104



Fast timing Picosecond Micromegas

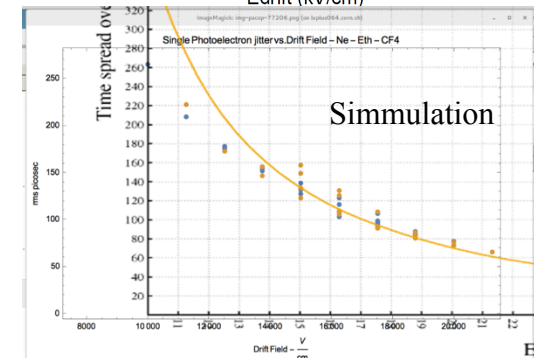
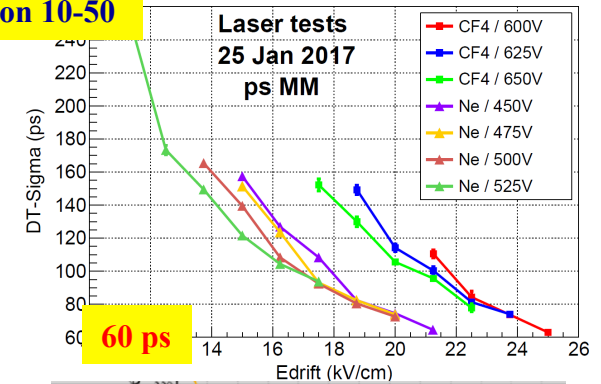
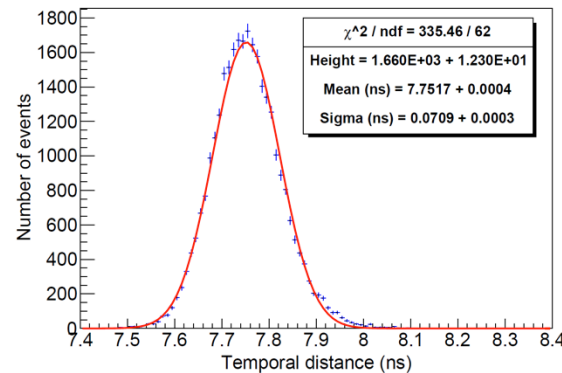
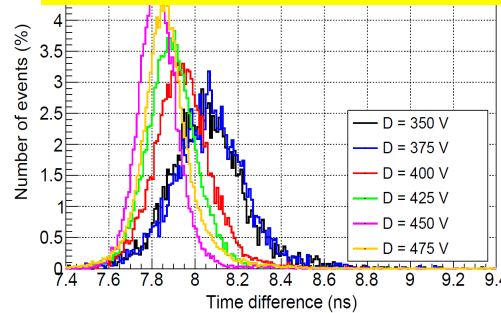
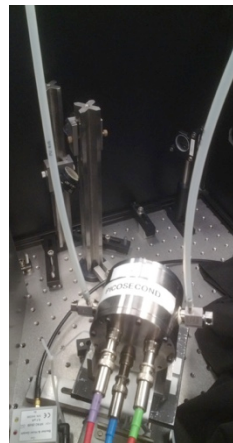
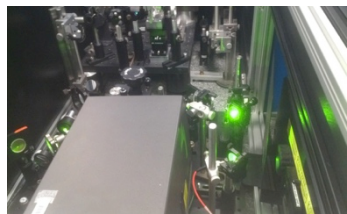
CEA-Saclay, CERN, Thessaloniki, Athens, Princeton, USTC

Test with UV fs laser @ IRAMIS-CEA



UV Photocathodes on MgF window:
CsI, Cr, Diamond (10-50nm thick)

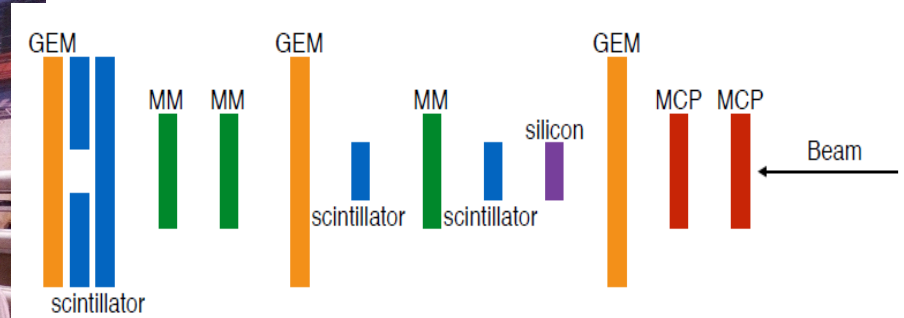
January 2017, Cr 18nm, single electrons/pulse
MM amplification 10^4 , preamplification 10-50



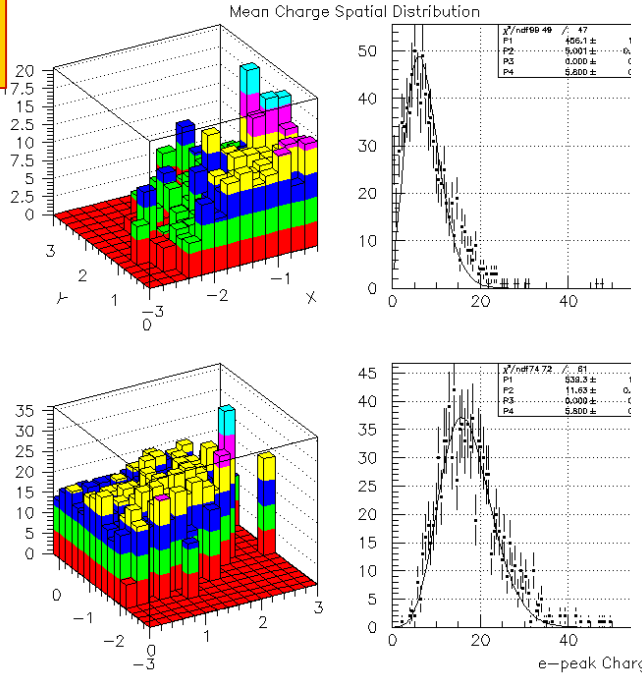
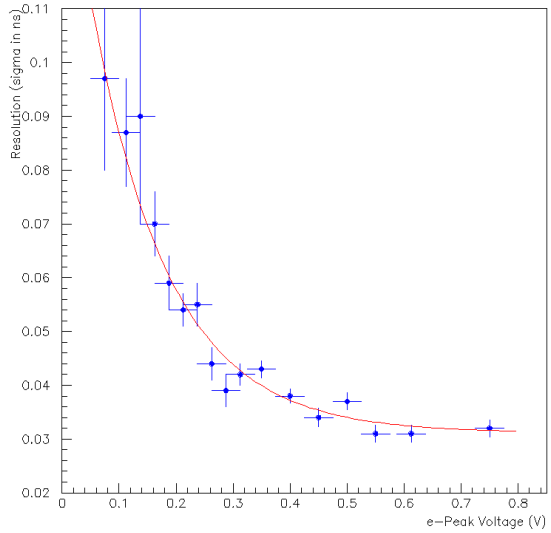
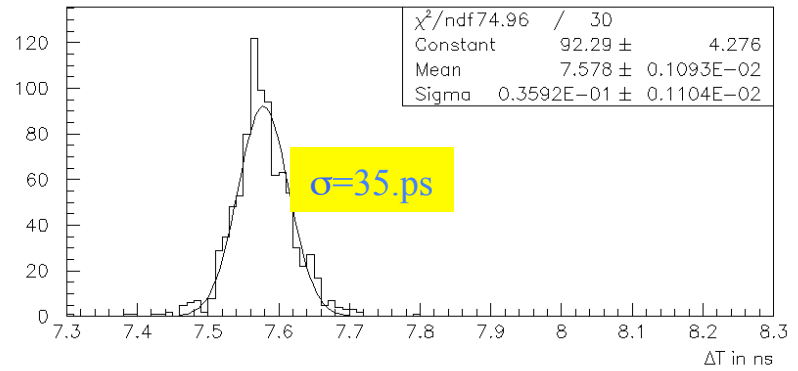
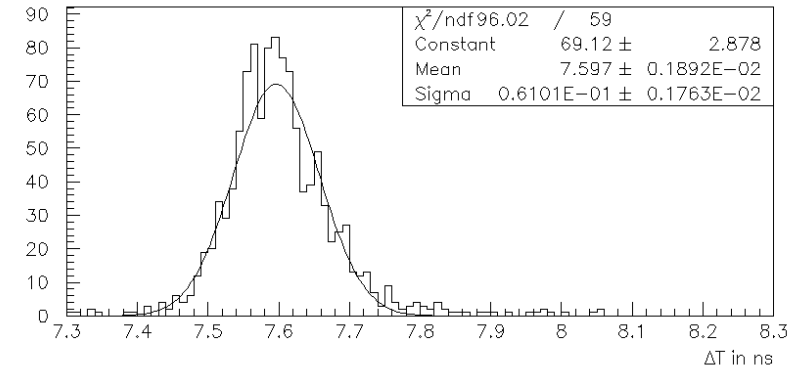
2016 beam tests with 150 GeV muons @ SPS H4

June 2016

- Sensors: *Standard bulk Micromegas*
- Photocathodes: 3,5mm MgF₂
CsI photocathodes : CsI, Cr, Diamond
 + 6 nm Al + 10.5 nm CsI
- Gas mixtures:
 Ne/C₂H₆/CF₄ (80/10/10)
 Ne/CH₄ (95/5)
 CF₄ / C₂H₆ (sealed mode)

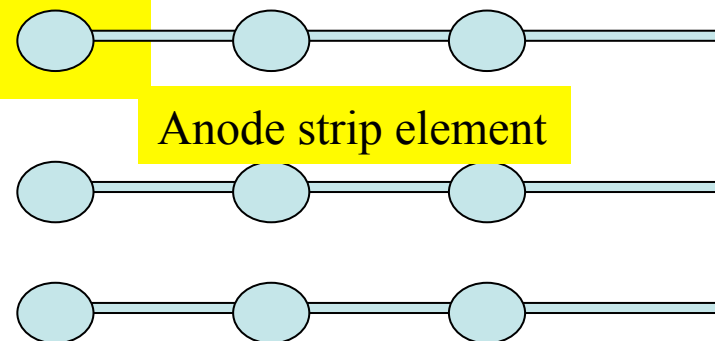
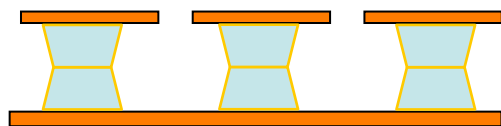


Data analysis in progress. Data from different detector configurations to be analyzed. Results for:
 ➤ $\sigma_t = 35$ ps, $\langle N_{p.e.} \rangle = 15$



Towards ultra-low capacitance MM

- Spark protection
- Preserves fast electron signal

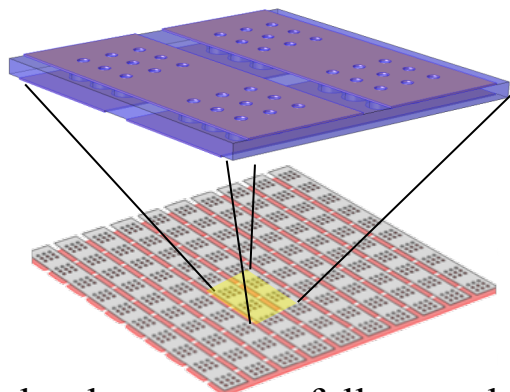


First prototype was fabricated using microbulk kapton etching

Results are encouraging: high gain, good energy resolution, **Capacitance x3 lower**

Future improvements

Combine with anode mesh segmentation to reduce capacitance



- Pad read-out
- Move pad read-out back by 1-2 mm
- To further reduce capacitance

Ultimate goal

Read-out pad or strip capacitance < 1 pF

→ Charge released by spark $< 10^9$ electrons

The idea has been successfully tested

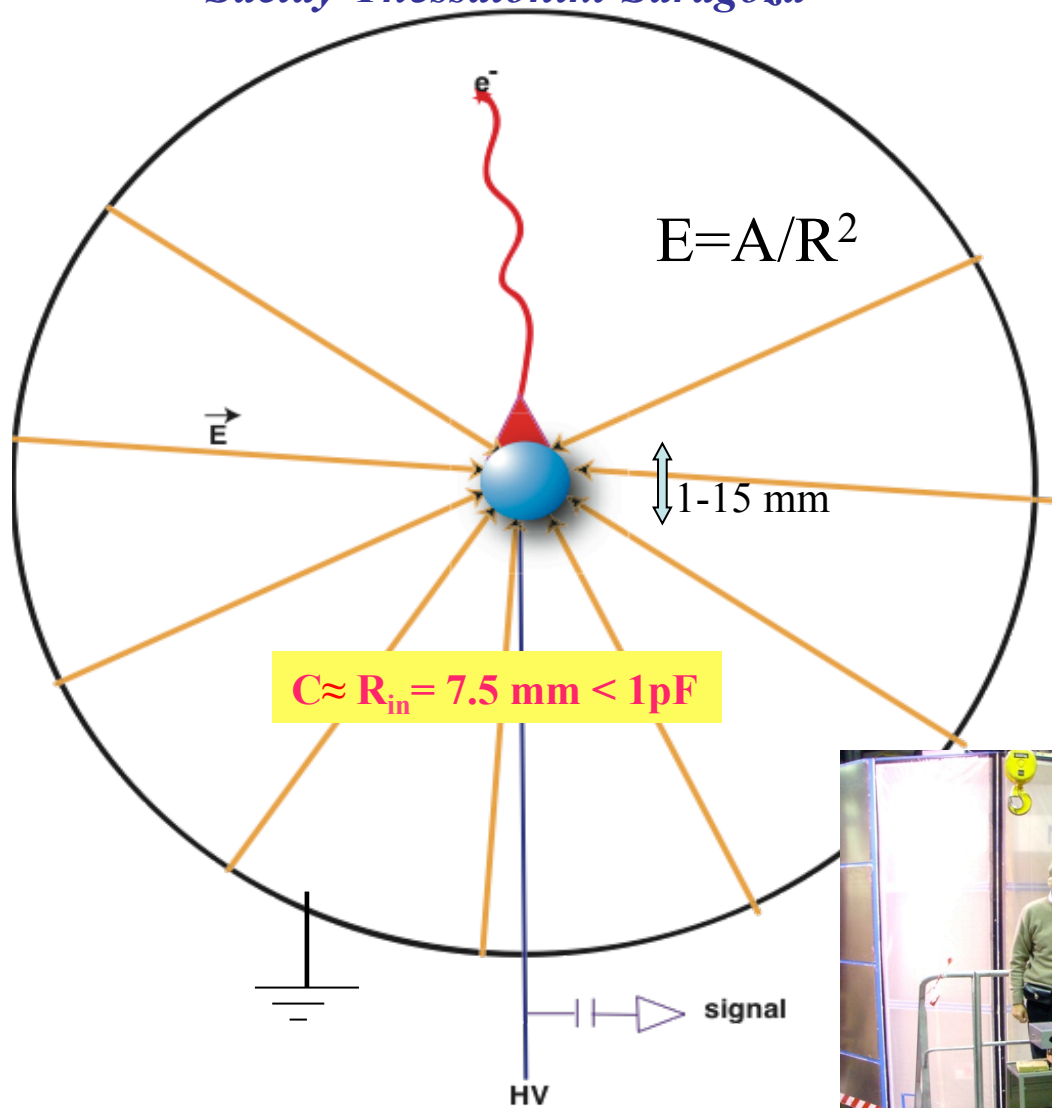
Th. Geralis et al., PoS TIPP2014 (2014) 055

To reach the goal we need new high-precision fabrication technology

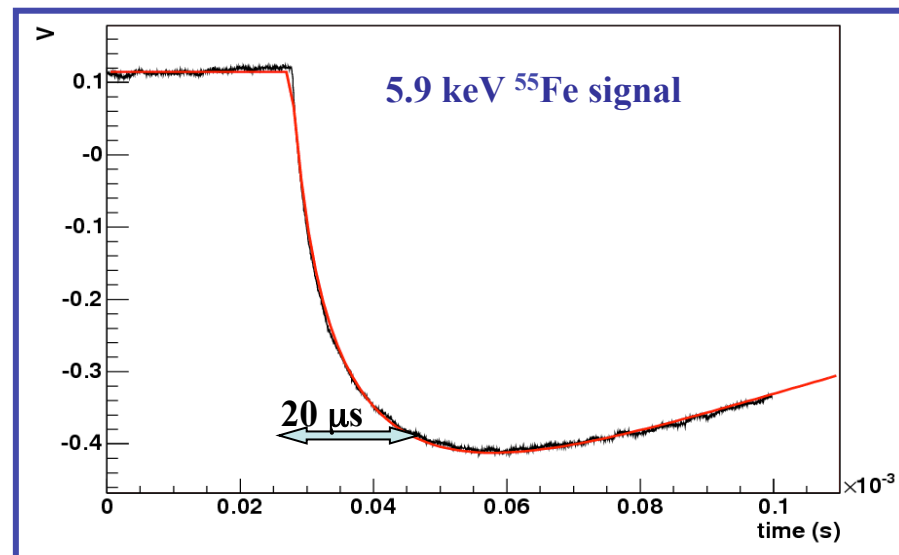
Second part
Spherical detector
Light-dark matter search
and low-energy neutrino physics

Radial TPC with spherical proportional counter read-out

Saclay-Thessaloniki-Saragoza



A Novel large-volume Spherical Detector with Proportional Amplification read-out, I. Giomataris *et al.*, JINST 3:P09007,2008

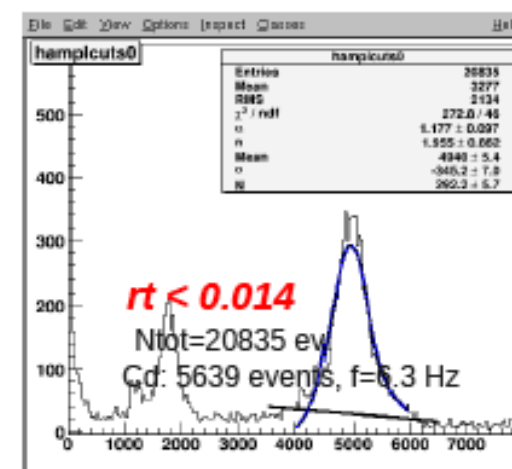
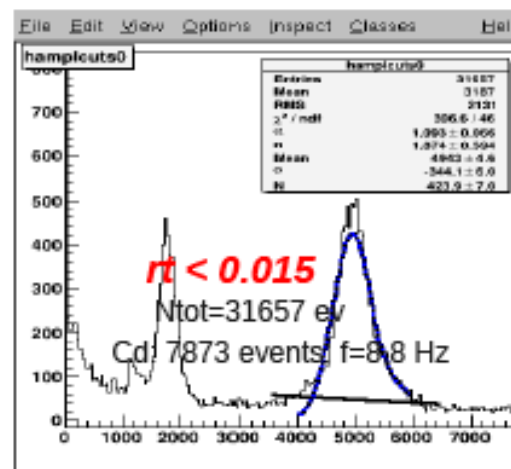
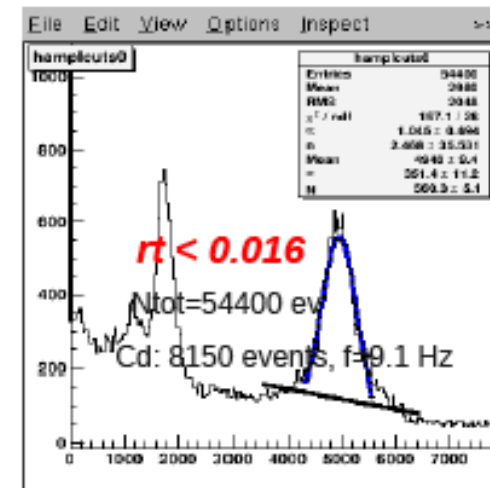
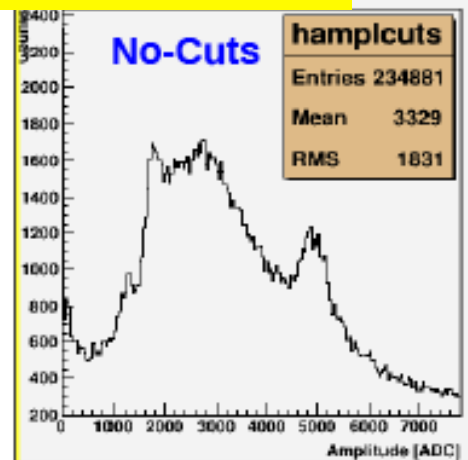
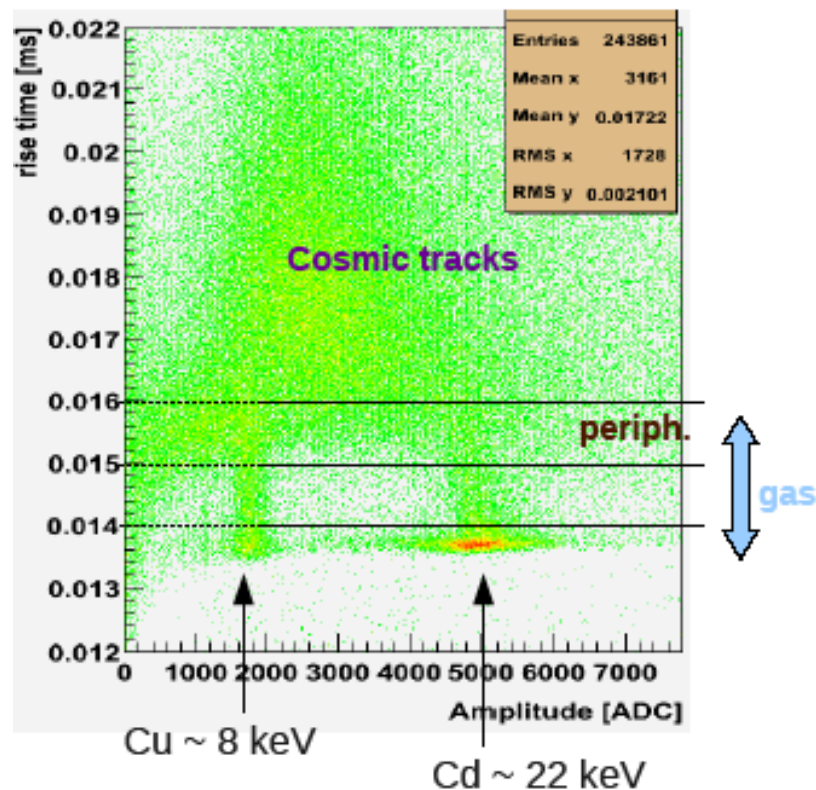


- Simple and cheap
- Large volume
- single read-out
- Robustness
- Good energy resolution
- Low energy threshold
- Efficient fiducial cut
- Low background capability



Rejection power Rise time cut

Using Cd-109 source – December 2009
Irradiate gas through 200 μ m Al window
P = 100 mb, Ar-CH₄ (2%)

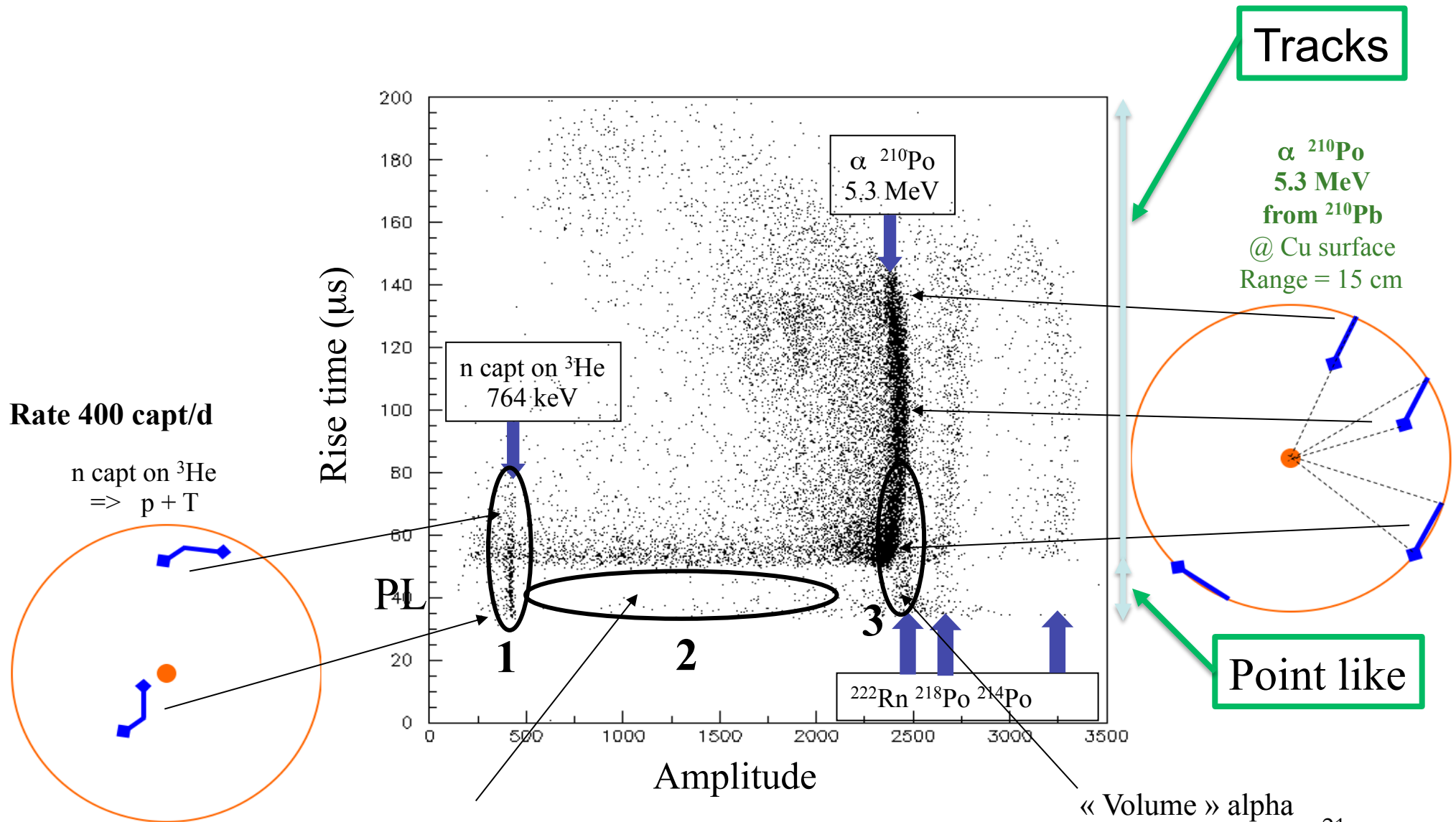


Efficiency of the cut in rt ==> ~ 70% signal (Cd peak)
Severe background reduction
Energy resolution ~ 6 % and 9 % for Cu and Cd

If $rt \sim 0.0155$ ms ==> $R = 65$ cm
 0.014 ms ==> ~70% of signal

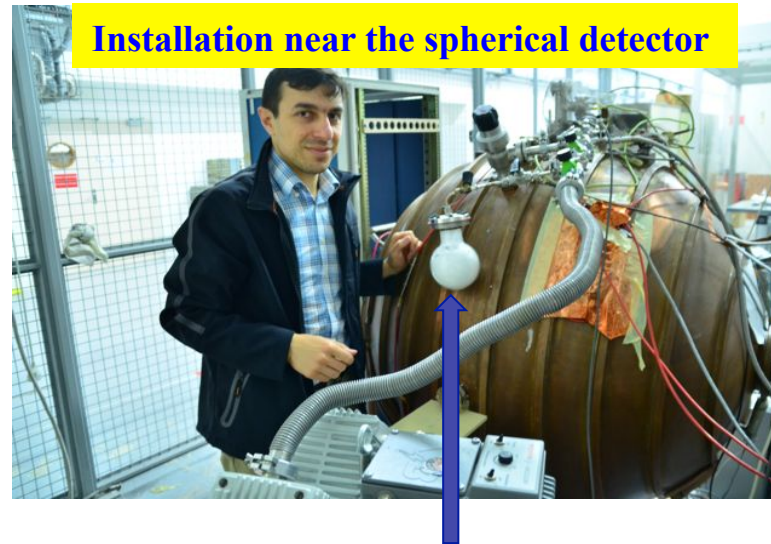
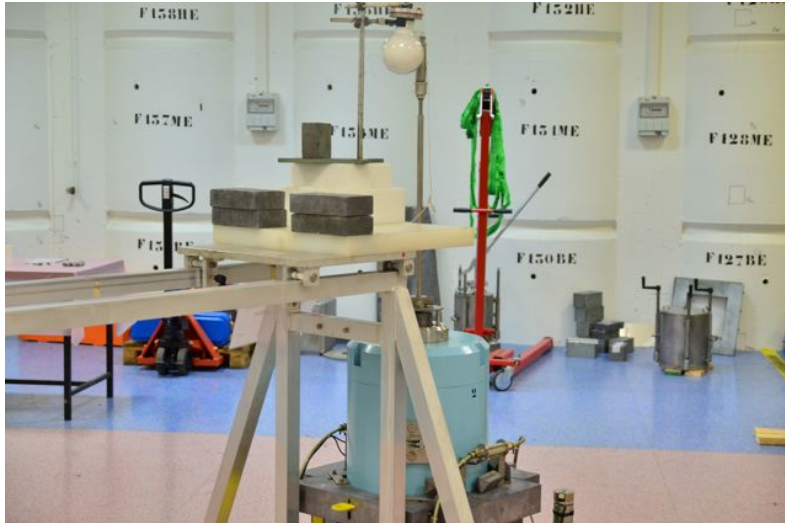
Particle identification capability at MeV energy

Ar/CH₄ + 3g ³He @ 200 mb SPC 130cm Ø @ LSM



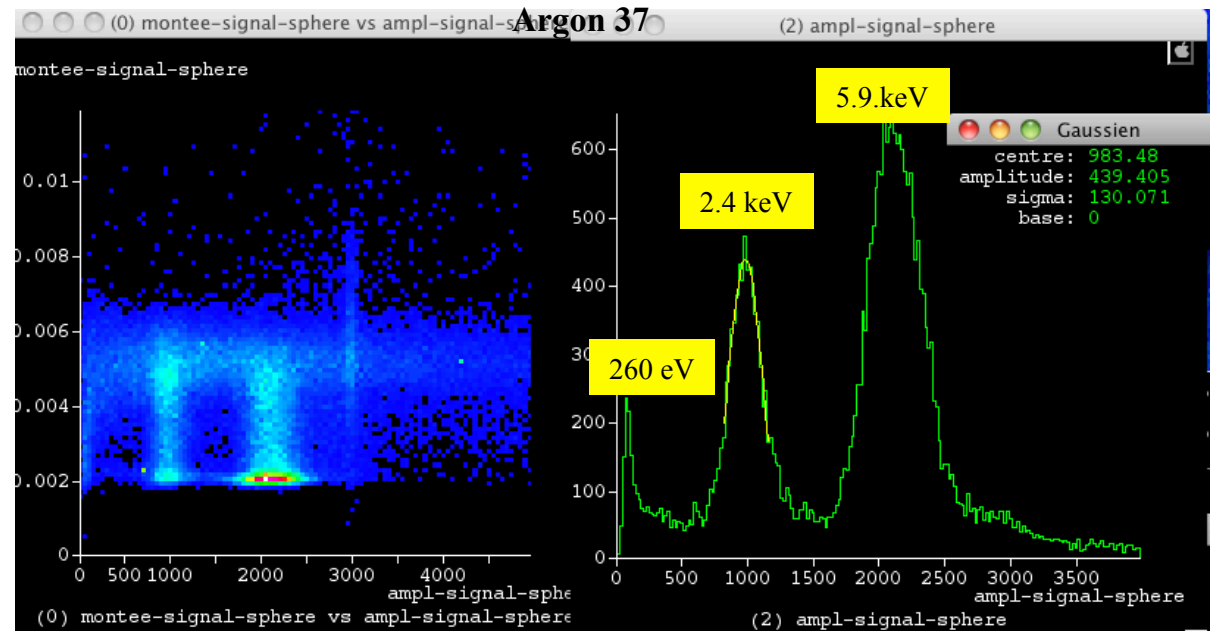
Low-energy calibration source *Argon-37*

Home made Ar-37 source: irradiating Ca-40 powder with fast neutrons 7×10^6 neutrons/s
Irradiation time 14 days. Ar-37 emits K(2.6 keV) and L(260 eV) X-rays (35 d decay time)



Installation near the spherical detector

**First measurement
with Ar-37 source
Total rate 40 hz
in 250 mbar gas, 8 mm ball
240 eV peak clearly seen
A key result for light dark matter
search**



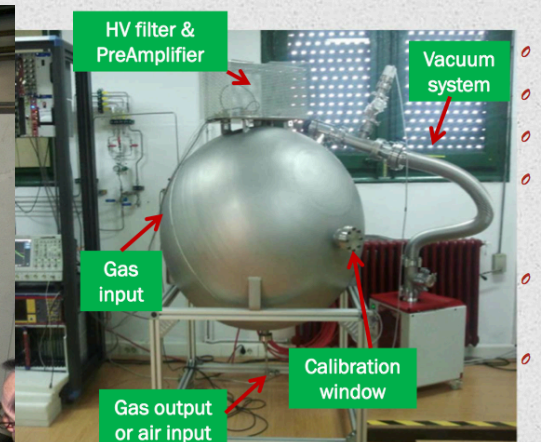
Low background detector d=60 cm p=10 bar



Basic R@D detector in Saclay



University of Saragoza detector



University of Thessaloniki detector



Queens University test sphere



University of Tsinghua - HEP detector



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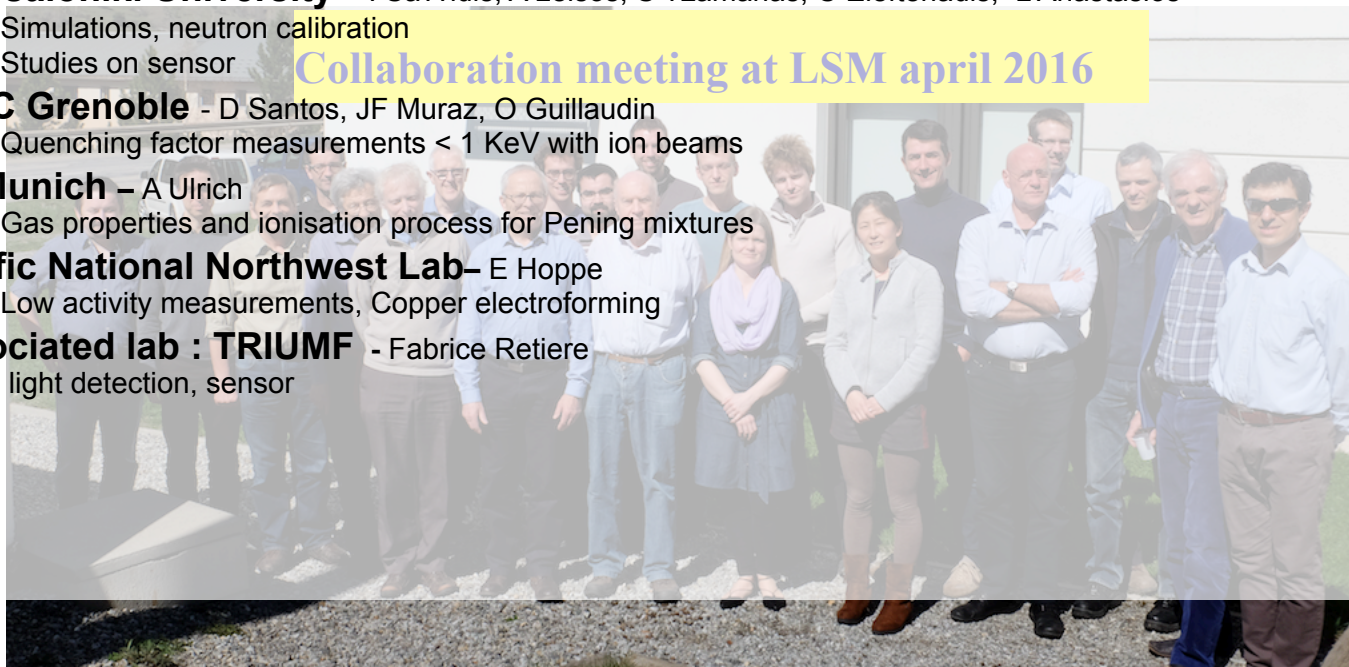
NEWS collaboration

Queen's University Kingston, IRFU/Saclay, LSM, Thessaloniki University, LPSC Grenoble, TU Munich, PNNLTRIUM

Tessaloniki 2012

- **Queen's University Kingston** – GG, P di Stefano, R Martin, T Noble, B Cai, A Brossard, A Akamaha, P Vasquez dS, Q Arnaud, K Dering, J Mc Donald, M Clark, and summer students
 - Copper vessel and gas set-up specifications, calibration, project management
 - Gas characterization, laser calibration, on smaller scale prototype
 - Simulations/Data analysis
- **IRFU/Saclay** – I Giomataris, M Gros, I Katsioulas, T Papaevangelou, A Gigagnon, JP Bard, JP Mols, XF Navick,
 - Sensor/rod (low activity, optimization with 2 electrodes)
 - Electronics (low noise preamps, digitization, stream mode)
 - DAQ/soft
- **LSM** (Laboratoire Souterrain de Modane) – F Piquemal, M Zampaolo, A DastgheibiFard
 - Low activity archeological lead for close electronics/valve shield
 - Coordination for lead/PE shielding and copper sphere
- **Thessaloniki University** – I Savvidis, A Leisos, S Tzamarias, C Elefteriadis, L Anastasios
 - Simulations, neutron calibration
 - Studies on sensor
- **LPSC Grenoble** – D Santos, JF Muraz, O Guillaudin
 - Quenching factor measurements < 1 KeV with ion beams
- **TU Munich** – A Ulrich
 - Gas properties and ionisation process for Penning mixtures
- **Pacific National Northwest Lab** – E Hoppe
 - Low activity measurements, Copper electroforming
- **Associated lab : TRIUMF** – Fabrice Retiere
 - light detection, sensor

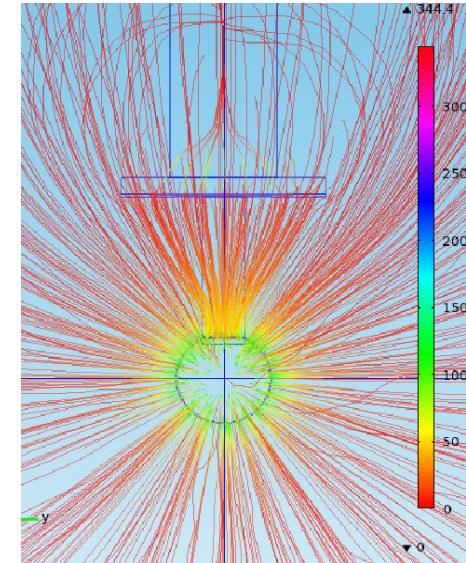
Collaboration meeting at LSM april 2016



NEWS-LSM: Exploration of light dark matter search at LSM

Detector installed at LSM end 2012: 60 cm, Pressure = up to 10 bar

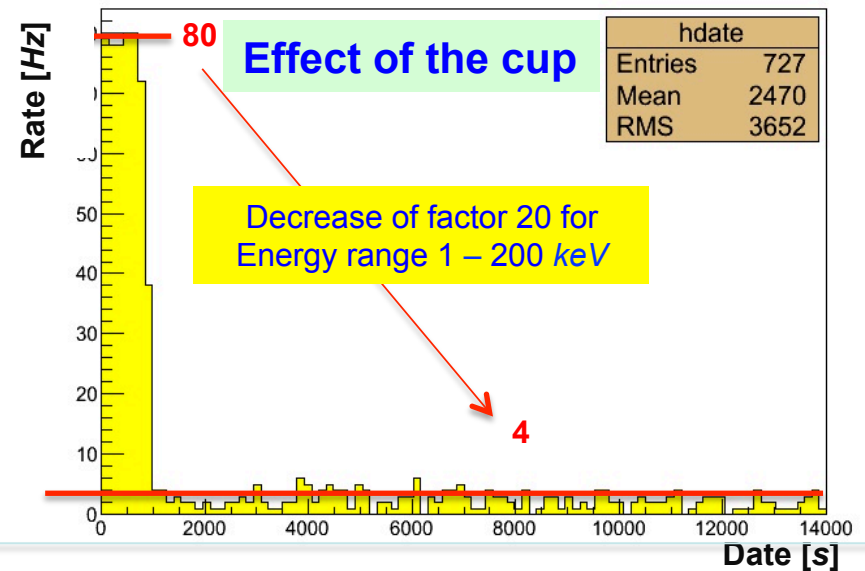
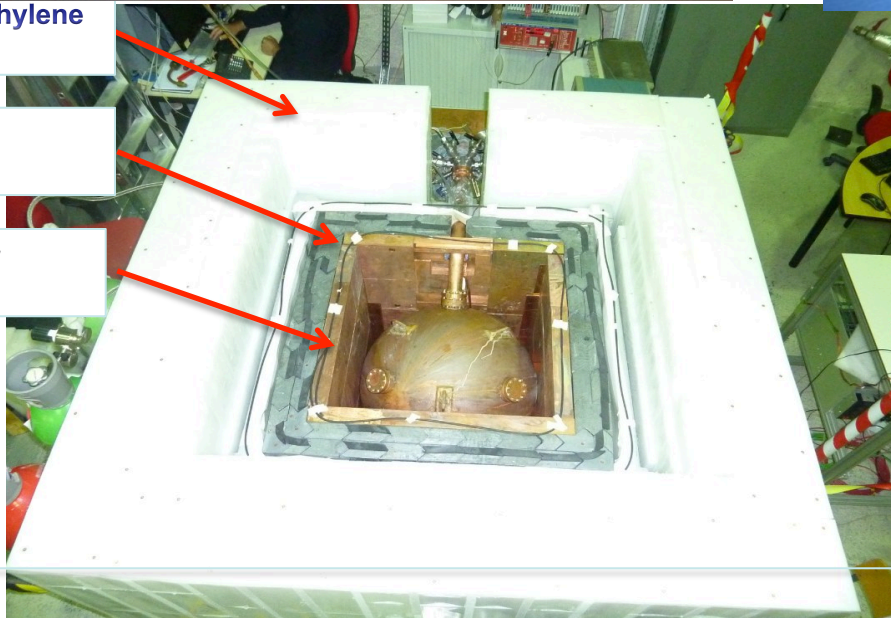
Gas targets: Ne, He, CH₄



Polyethylene
30 cm

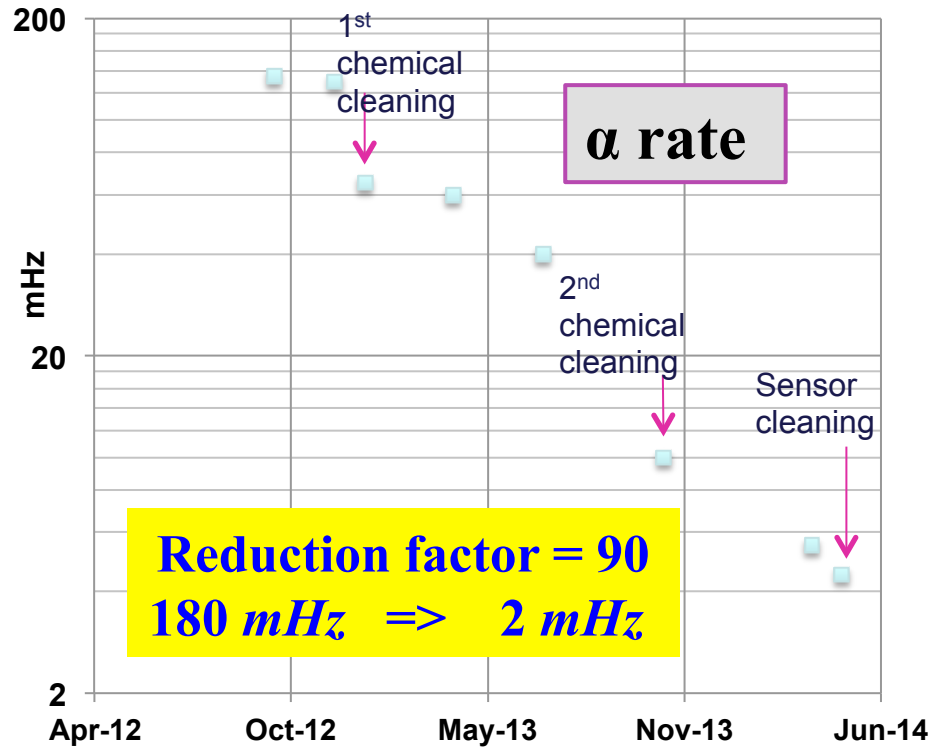
Lead
10 cm

Copper
5 cm

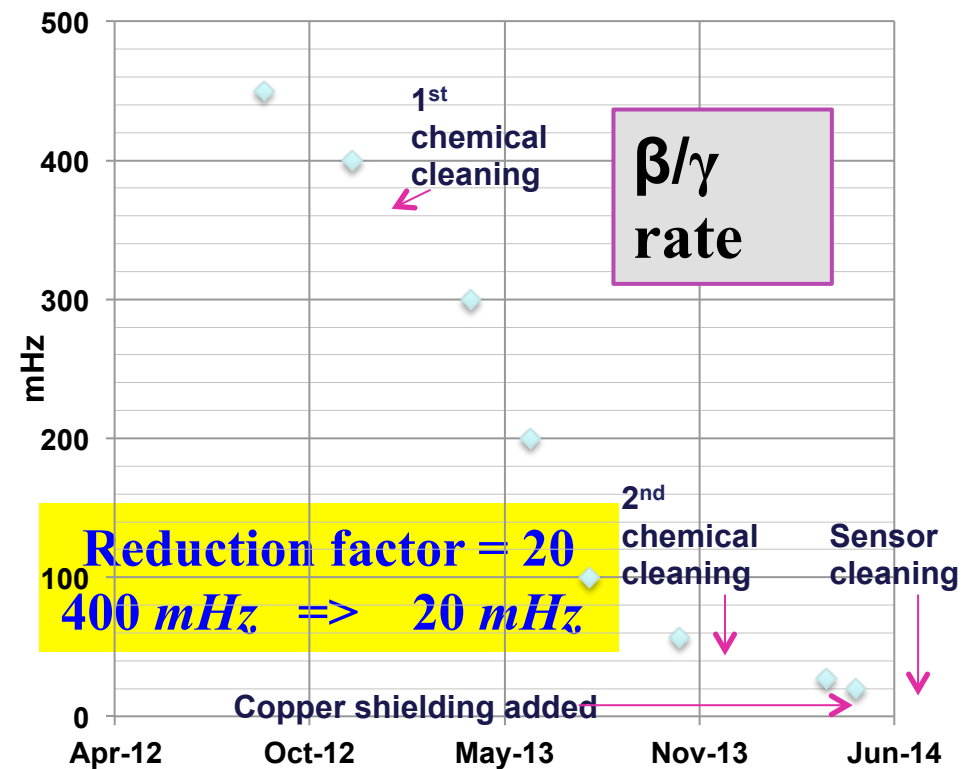


Background evolution of the detector

Alpha rate evolution



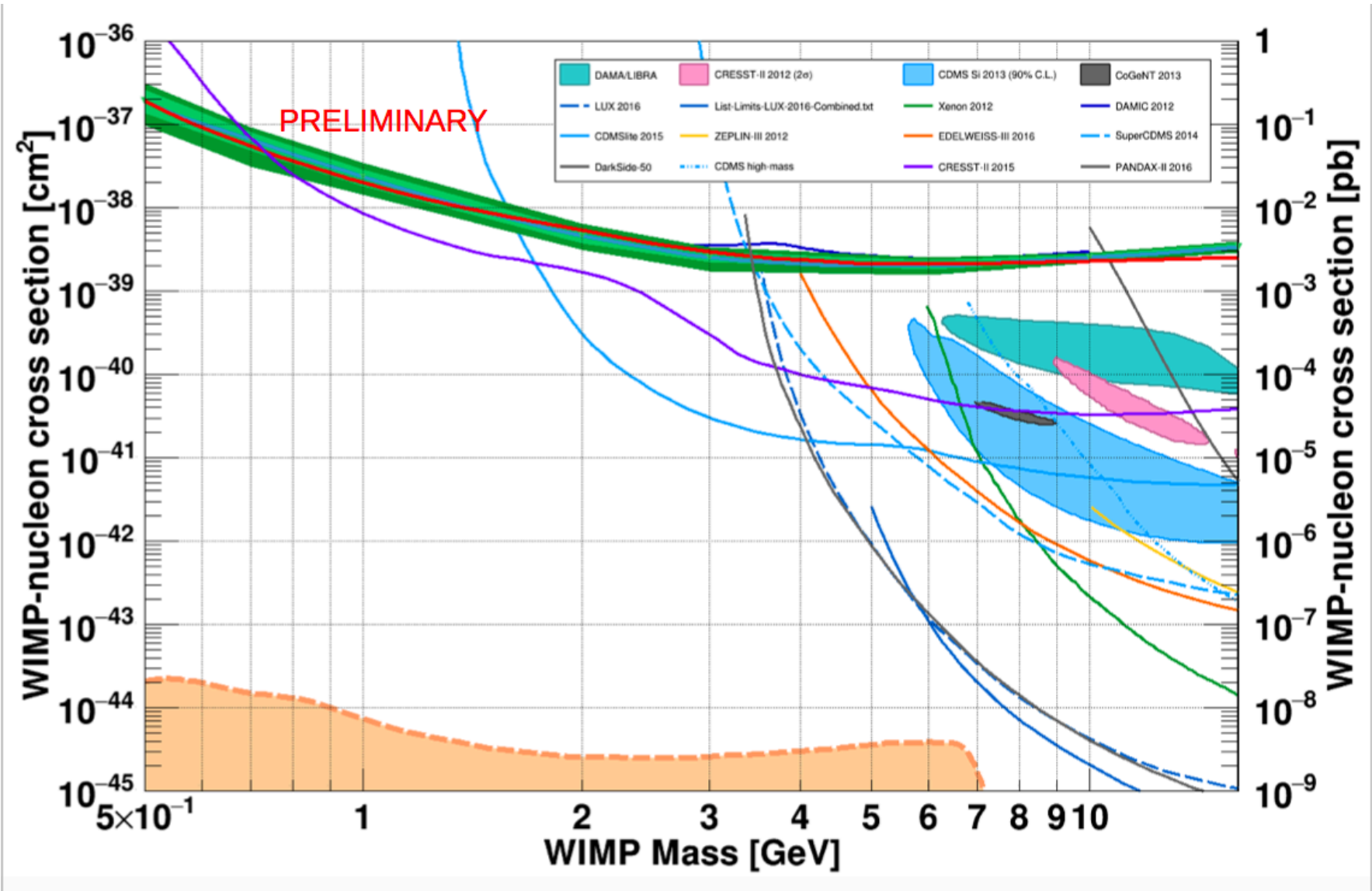
β/γ rate evolution



New development
Removal of about 10mm copper using a high pressure jet is under study with a french compagny

Current sensitivity with Neon at 3 bar

Data 40.5 days, threshold 30 eV



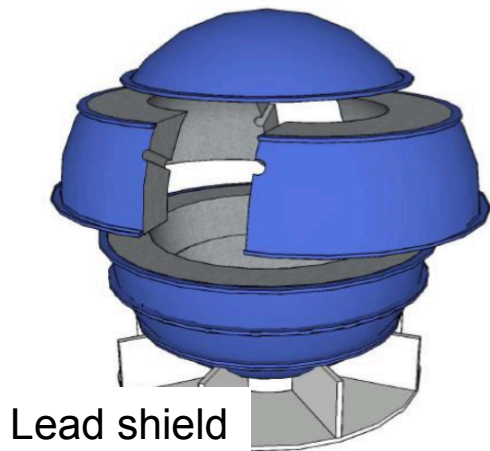
NEWS-SNO with compact shield : implementation at SNOLAB by fall 2017

Funded mainly by Canadian grant of excellence and ANR-France

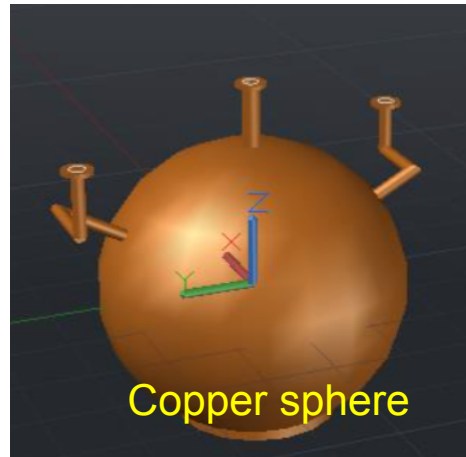
140 cm Ø detector, 10 bars, Ne, He, CH₄

Copper 1 µBq/kg

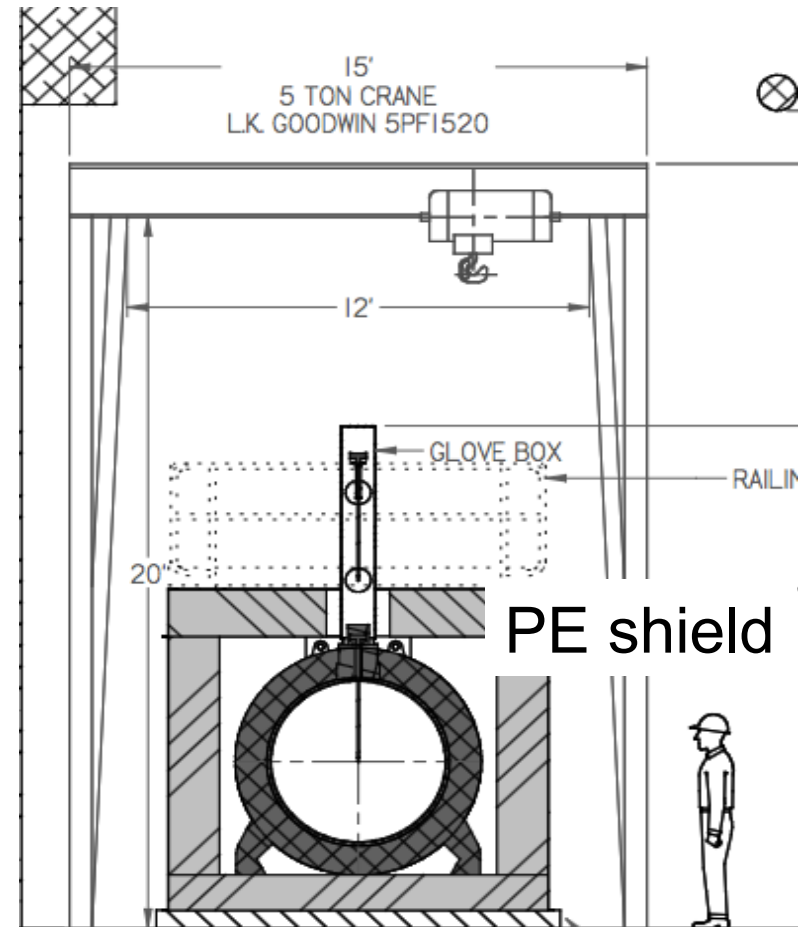
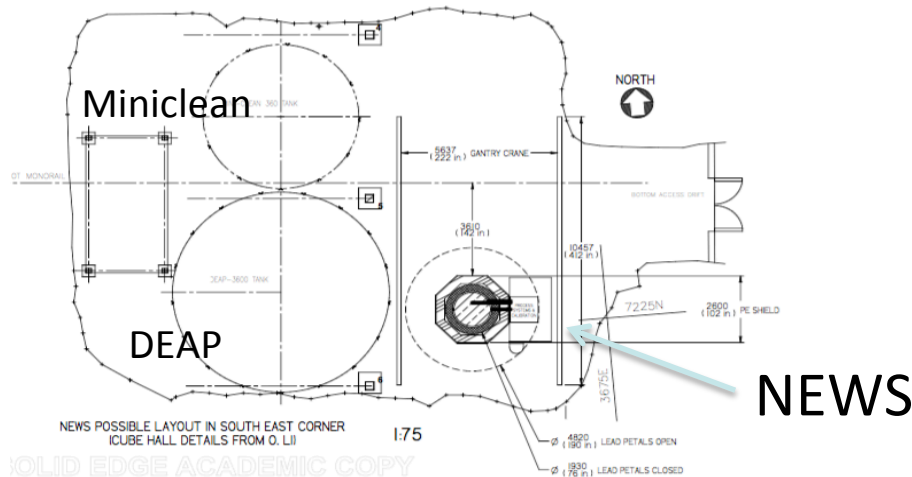
Compact lead –ancient- & PE shield solution



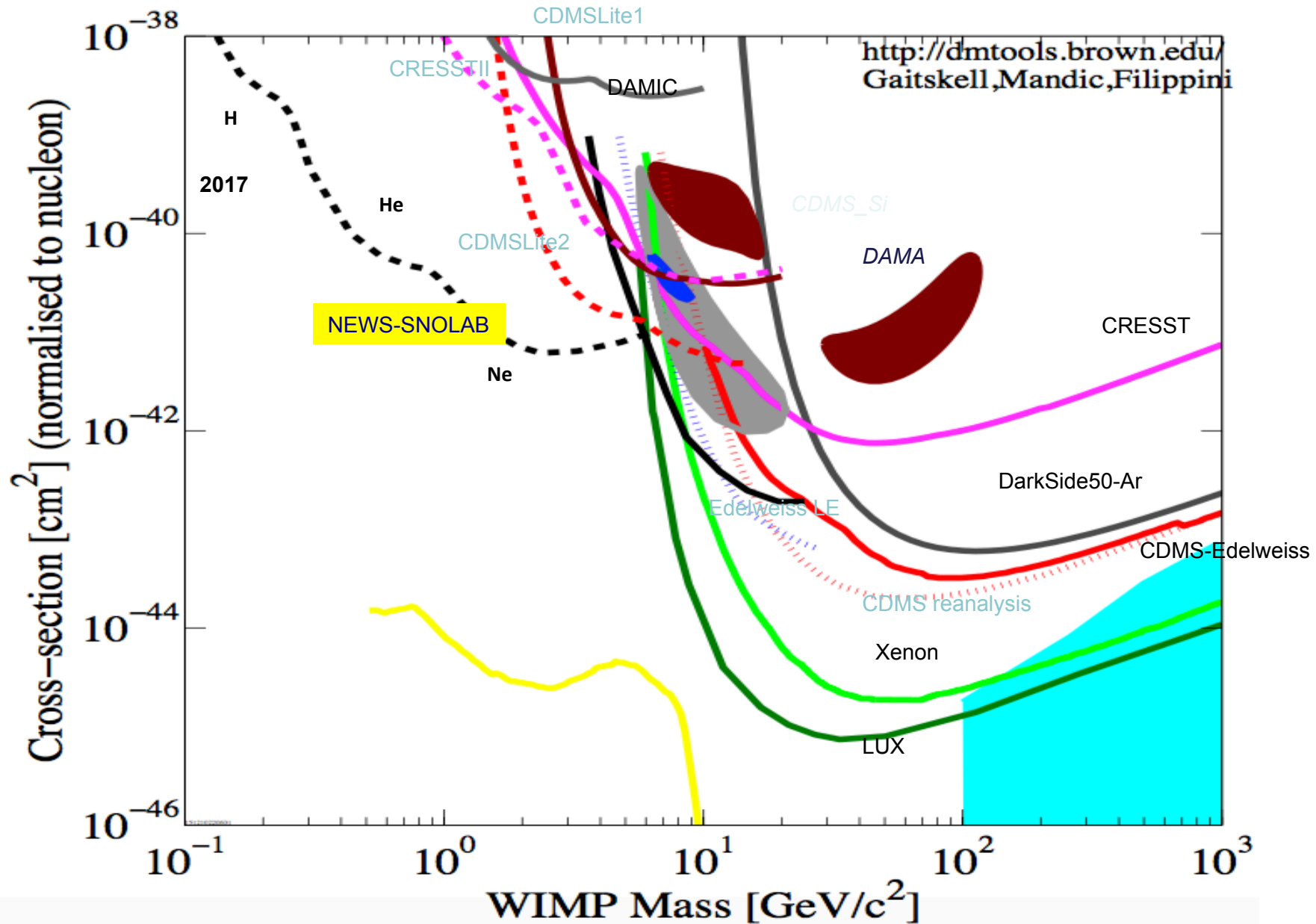
Lead shield



Copper sphere

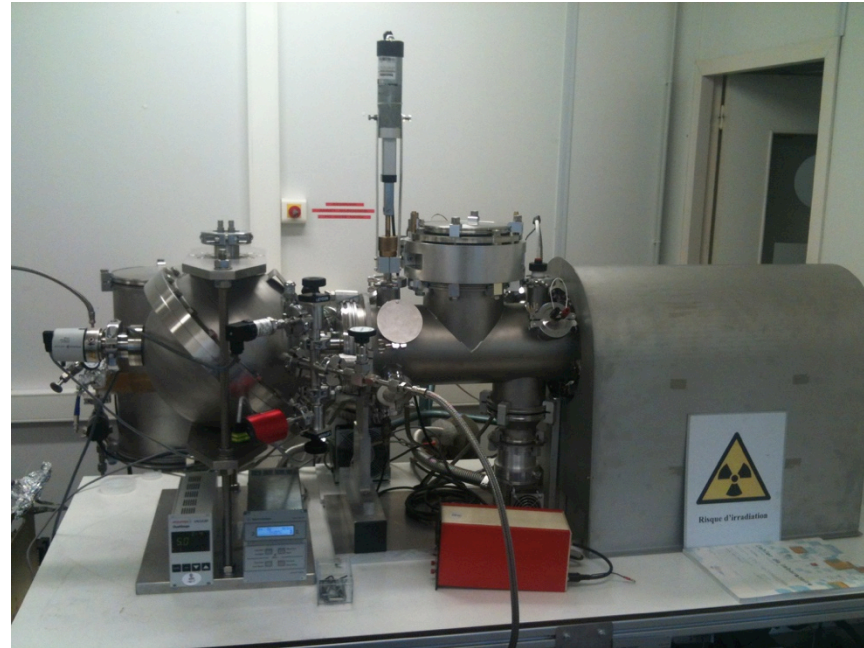


NEWS-SNOLAB project sensitivity



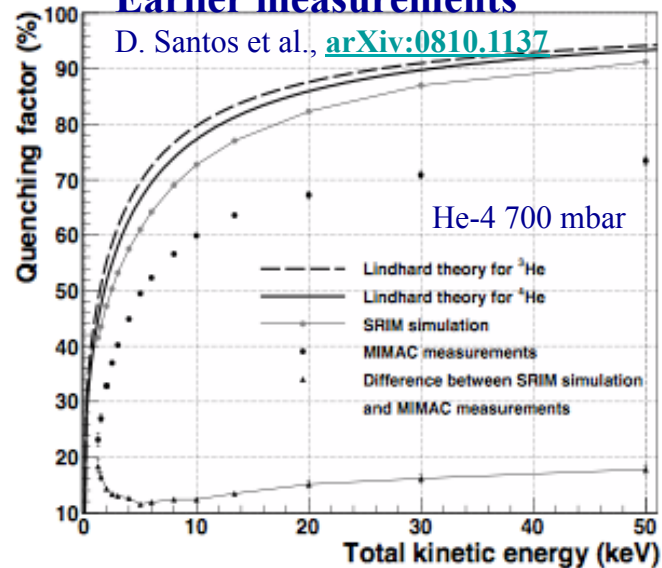
Quenching factor measurements

Goal: measure QF down to 500 eV ion energy using the Grenoble MIMAC facility for H, He, Ne, CF₄, Ar, Xe at various pressures



Earlier measurements

D. Santos et al., [arXiv:0810.1137](https://arxiv.org/abs/0810.1137)

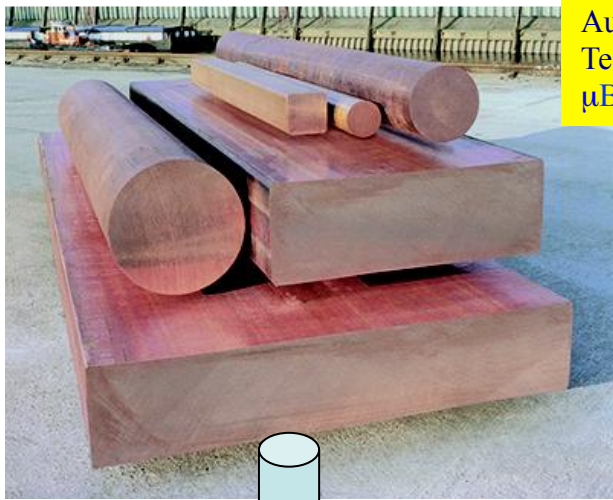


Previous investigations with a 15 cm sphere show the capability to measure 500 eV He-4 ions with an estimated QF of about 25%

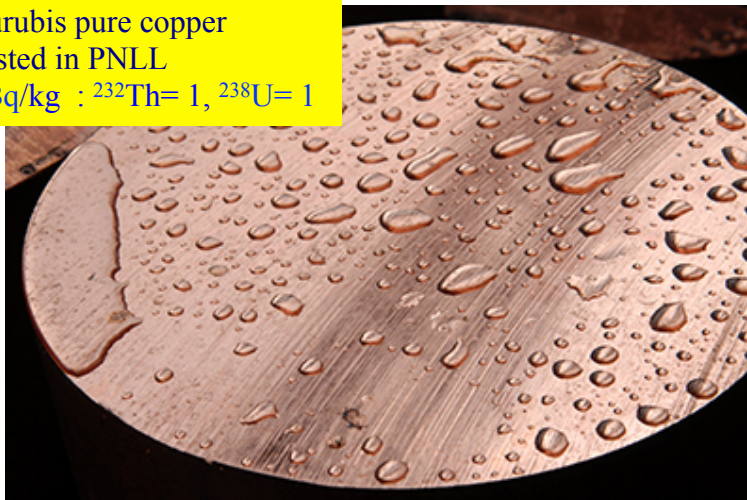
Saclay, Grenoble, Thessaloniki, Queen's-Kingston

CUBIC: a new way of fabricating an ultra low-background spherical detector – under study

I. Giomataris, CEA-Irfu-France

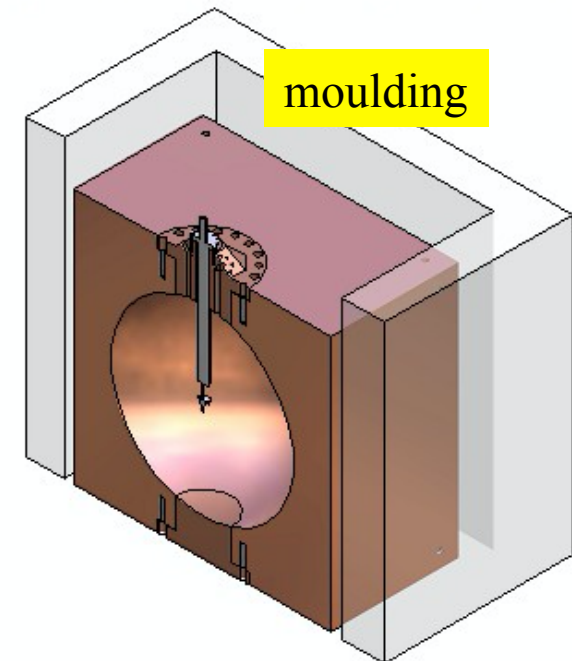
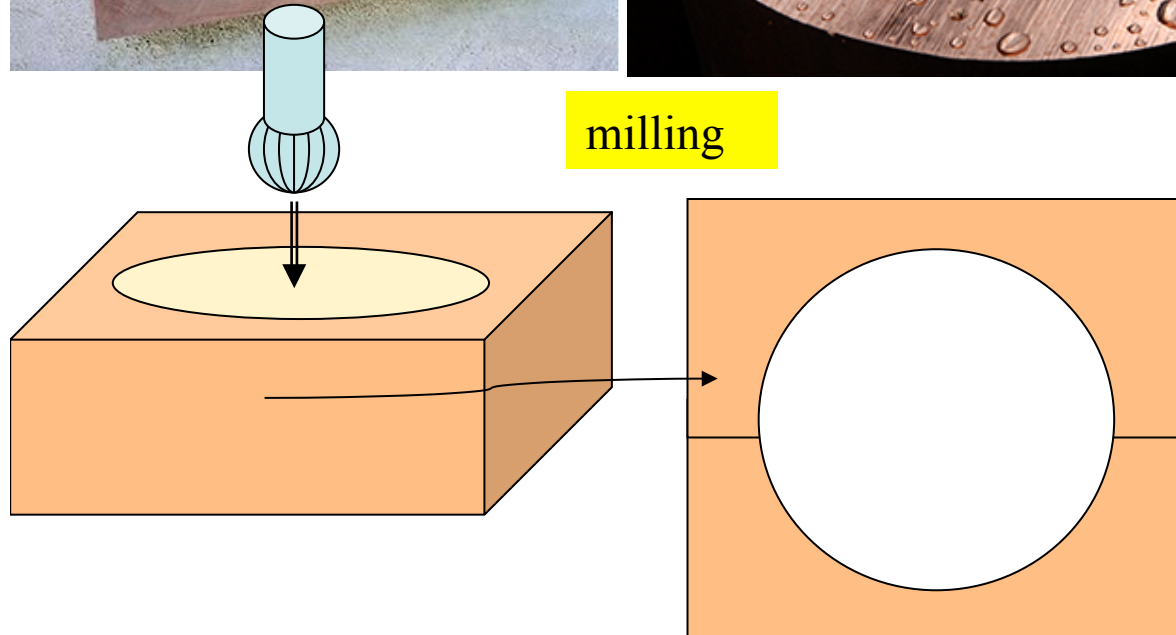


Aurubis pure copper
Tested in PNNL
 $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$: $^{232}\text{Th}=1$, $^{238}\text{U}=1$



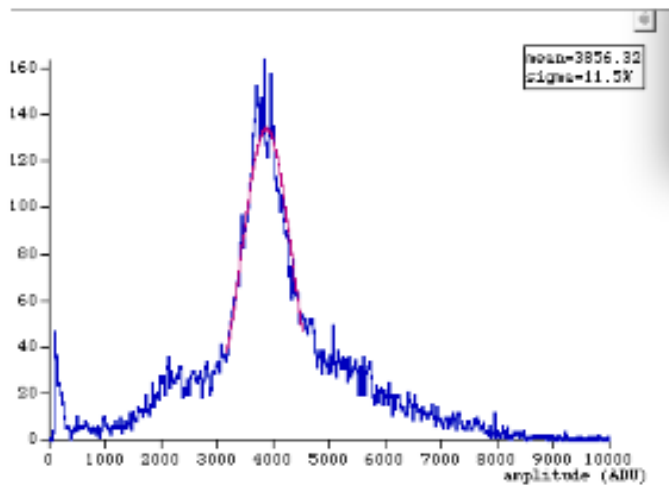
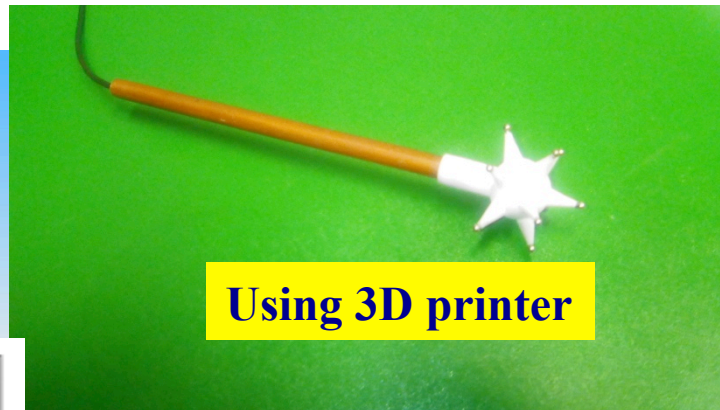
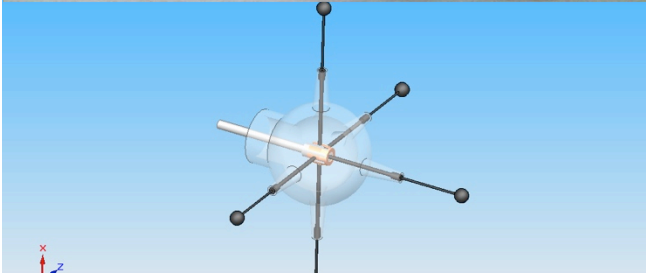
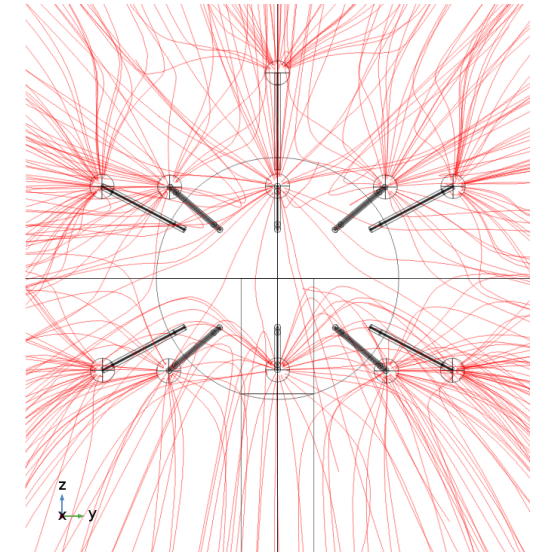
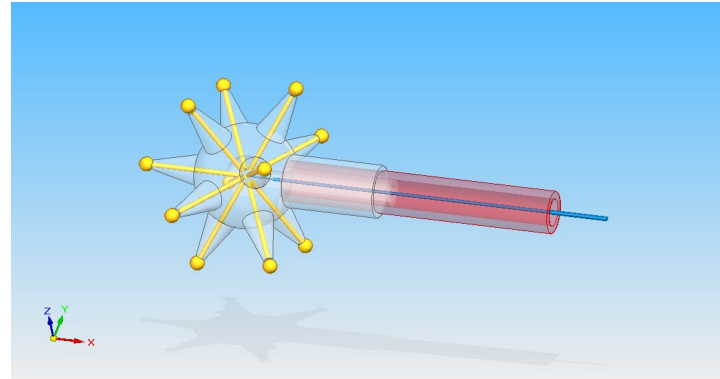
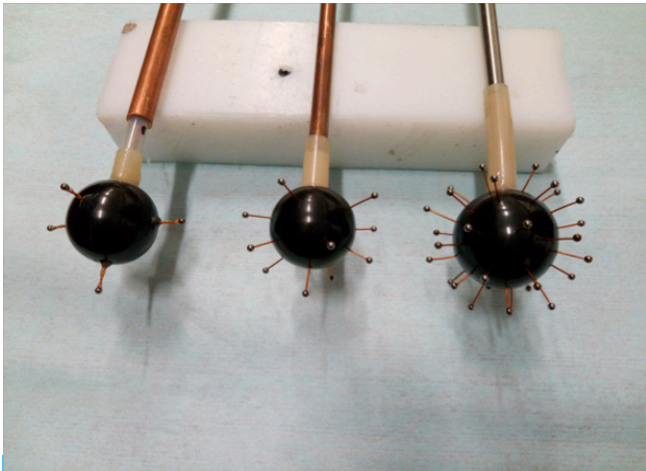
Advantages

- Auto-shield
- Pressure up to 50 bar
- Low cost
- Faster process



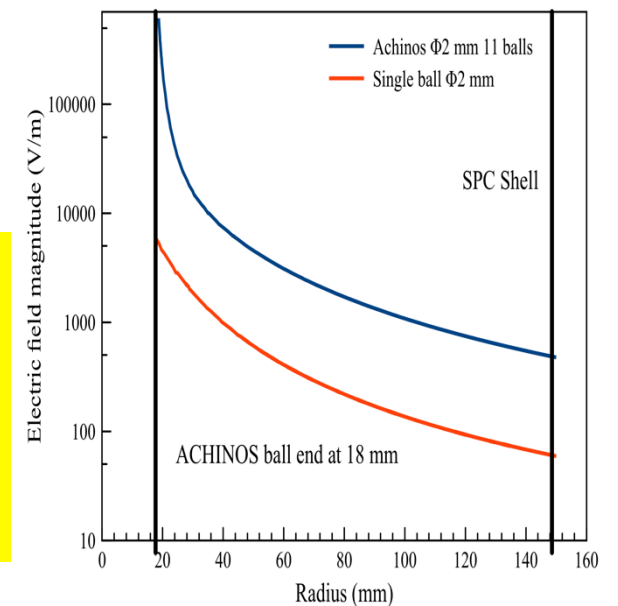
Multi-ball 'ACHINOS' structure

Developed in Saclay in collaboration with University of Thessaloniki

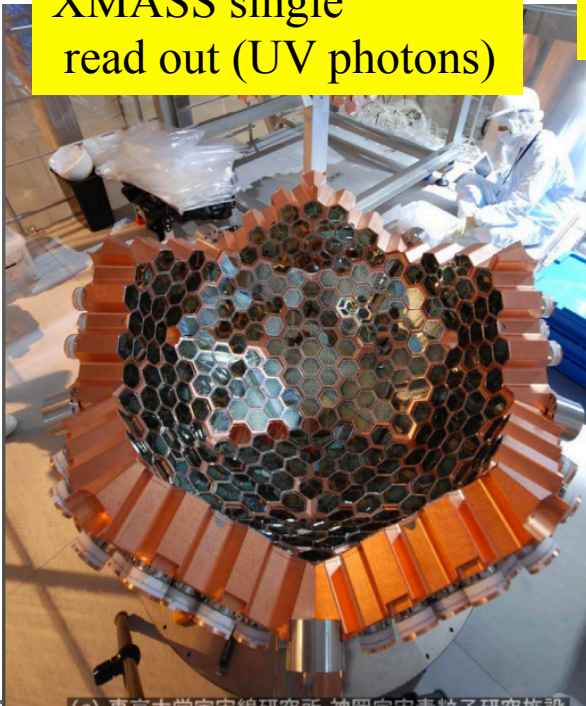


Advantages

- Amplification tuned by the ball size: 1mm diameter for high pressure
- Volume electric field tuned by the size of the ACHINOS structure
- Detector segmentation: 3D TPC like

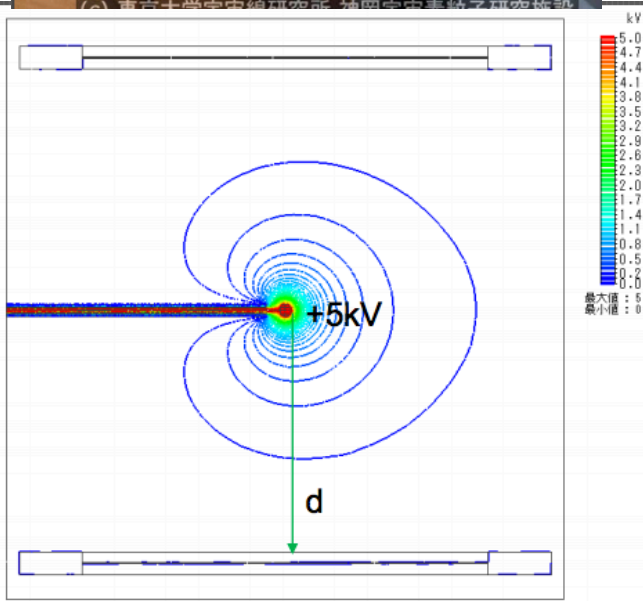
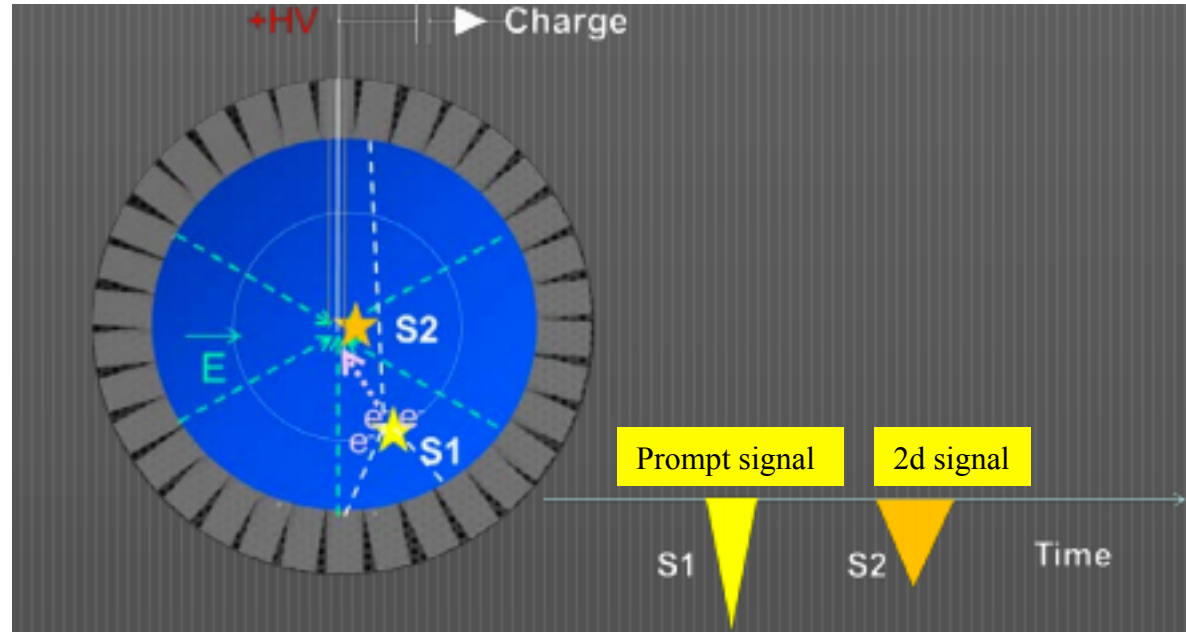


XMASS single read out (UV photons)



R@D towards a spherical liquid Xenon detector

In collaboration with H. Sekiya, K. Kanzawa, Y. Itow, K. Masuda



The idea is to get a second signal (S_2) induced by charge collection in the ball and producing proportional scintillation under large electric field $>200\text{kV/cm}$

The ratio between S_1 and S_2 will be used to identify and reject electron-gamma background

To reach proportional scintillation we need a 500 mm ball.

First tests will be performed using a 150 mm ball because high-voltage feed through is limited to 5kV

Additional physics

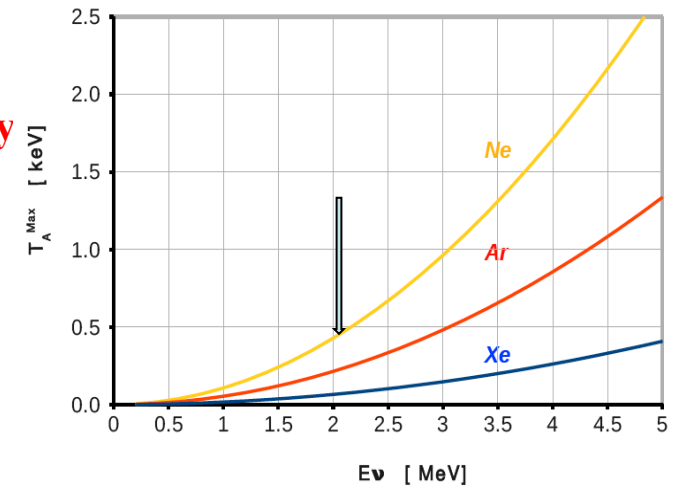
Neutrino-nucleus coherent elastic scattering

$$\nu + N \rightarrow \nu + N \quad \sigma \approx N^2 E^2, \quad D. Z. Freedman, Phys. Rev.D,9(1389)1974$$

High cross section but very-low nuclear recoil

Illustration: using the present prototype at 10 m from the reactor, after 1 day

Detector threshold (electrons)	1	2	3	4
Xe	105	32	3	0
Ar	42	24	9	4
Ne	18	12	7	4



A dedicated Supernova detector

Simple and cost effective - Life time \gg 1 century

Through neutrino-nucleus coherent elastic scattering

Y. Giomataris, J. D. Vergados, Phys.Lett.B634:23-29,2006

Sensitivity for galactic explosion

For $p=10$ Atm, $R=2m$, $D=10$ kpc, $U_\nu=0.5 \times 10^{53}$ ergs

Number of events (after quenching, $E_{th}=0.25$ keV)

He	Ne	Ar	Kr	Xe	Xe (with Nuc. F.F)
0.08	1.5	6.7	23.8	68.1	51.8

Idea : A world wide network of several of such dedicated Supernova detectors

To be managed by an international scientific consortium and operated by students

Competitive double beta decay experiment with Xe-136 at 50bar

In collaboration with CNBG (F. Piquemal et al.), CPPM (J. Busto et al.,)

The goal is to reach a record low background level $\ll 10^{-4}/\text{keV/Kg/y}$
and an energy resolution of .3%

Simulation model

By J. Galan

Sphere diameter: 2 m

Shield 30 cm copper

Xenon gas at 50 bar (1272 Kg)

Vessel Copper activity $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$:

Arubis commercial $^{232}\text{Th}= 1, ^{238}\text{U}= 1$

PNNL $^{232}\text{Th}=.034, ^{238}\text{U}=.13$

Results are very encouraging:

Expected background rate in the region of Q_{bb} (2.46 MeV)

$8 \times 10^{-5}/\text{keV/Kg/ year}$ Arubis copper

$1.54 \times 10^{-5}/\text{keV/Kg/ year}$ PNNL copper

(compared to $2 \times 10^{-3}/\text{keV/Kg/ year}$ of running experiments)

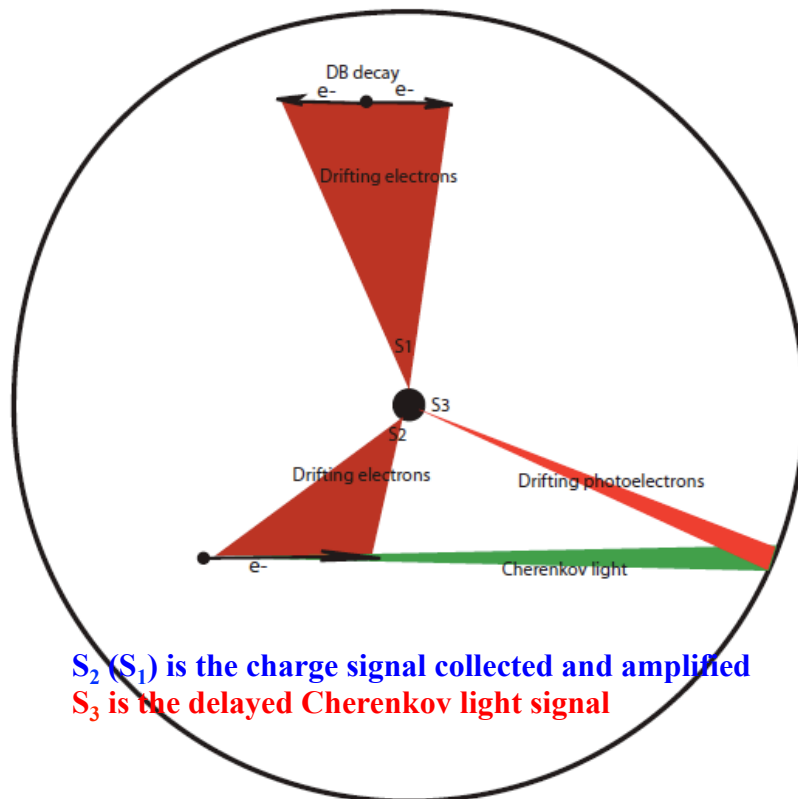
If additional rejection is required: **a new idea**

Background free double beta decay experiment, *I. Giomataris, J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 309 (2011) 012010*

The idea is to detect Cherenkov light emitted by two electrons and then reject background from single electrons (Compton scattering etc..)

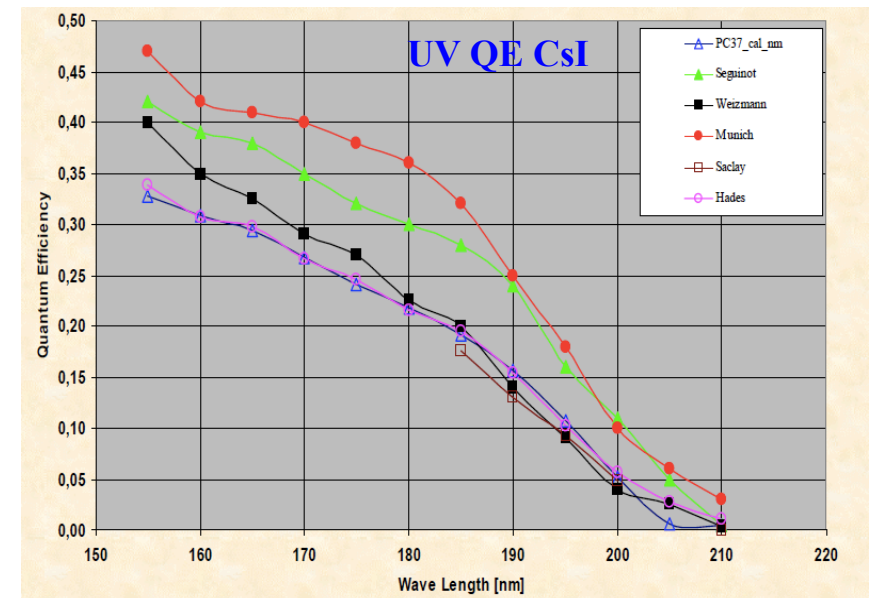
Xenon-136 at high pressure of about 25-40 bar is ideal to keep high efficiency for double electrons, Good enough electron path and reduce multiple scattering

A simple read-out is the standard spherical detector signal combined with CsI photocathode layer deposited at the internal vessel surface, inducing a delayed signal



S_2 (S_1) is the charge signal collected and amplified
 S_3 is the delayed Cherenkov light signal

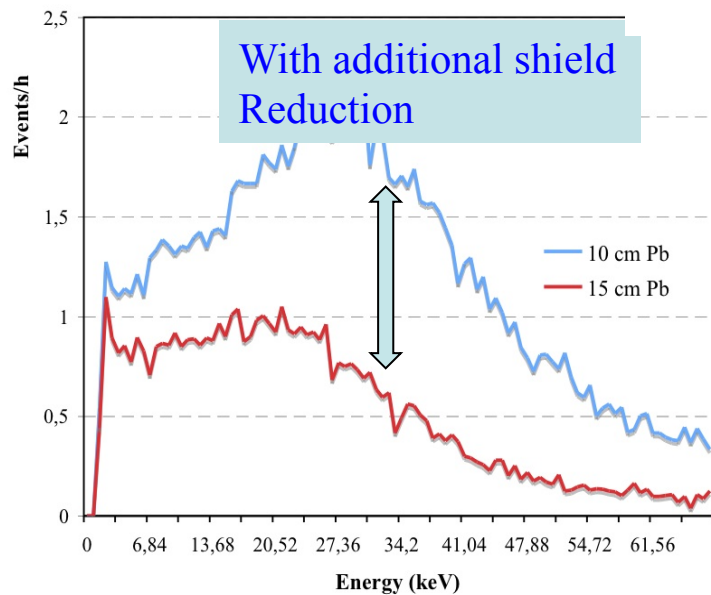
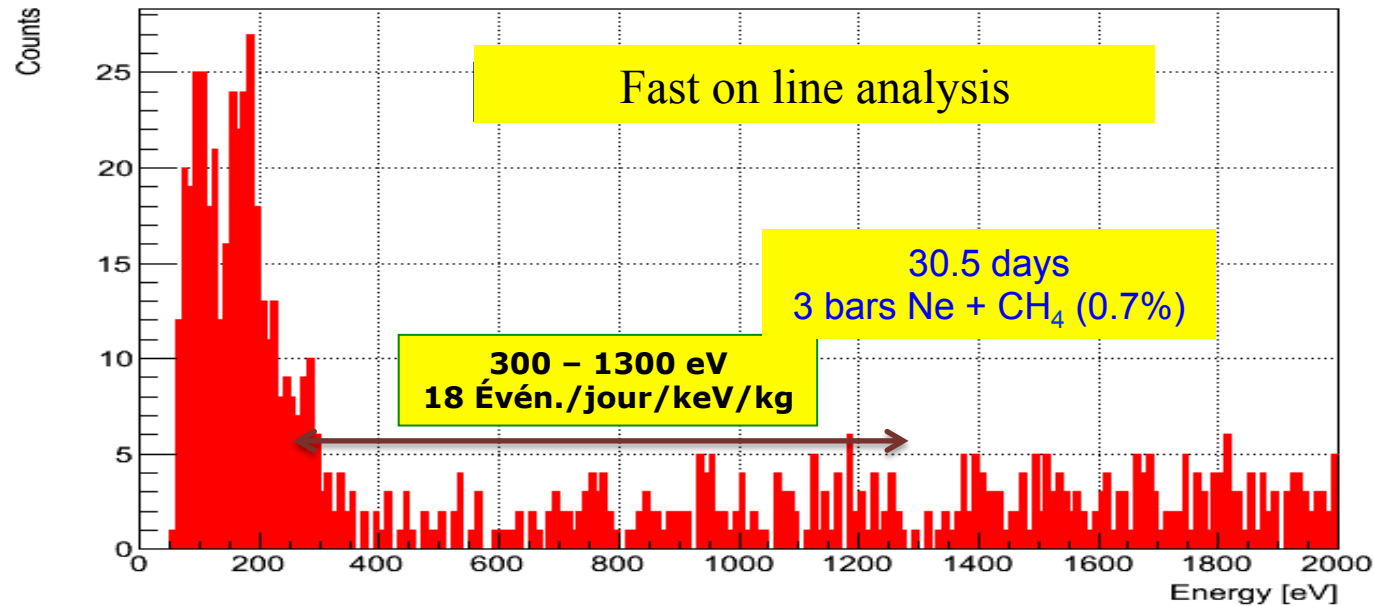
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Light WIMP search results



Summary:

background level among the best experiments

Achieved with modest budget and manpower

Combined with the low energy threshold and low-Z

targets:

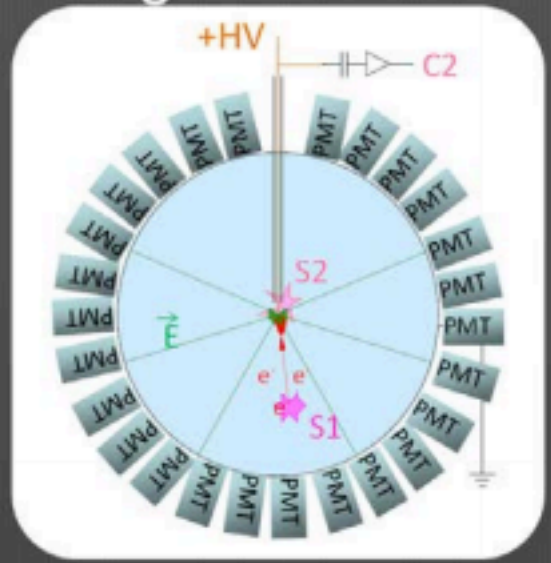
Competitive sensitivity for very-light WIMPs

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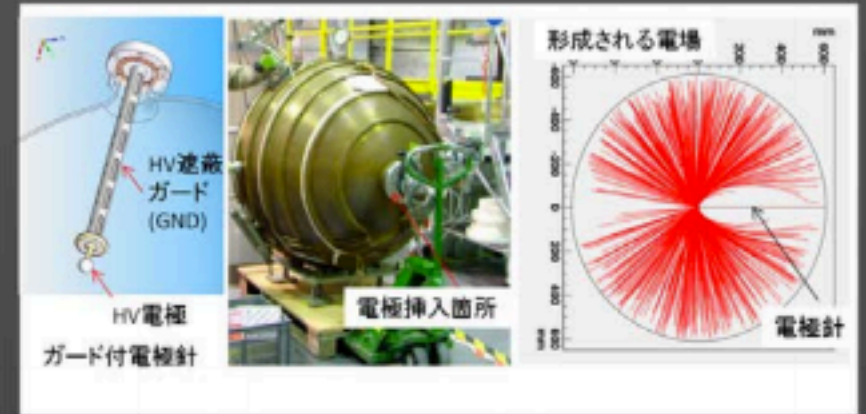
Another R&D: Spherical LXe TPC

- High electric field in XMASS (after XMASS-5t construction)

Inspired by I.Giomataris JINST 3:P09007(2008)



Now making small chamber and Cockcroft HV



Before two phase detector, many studies about the charge amplification and the proportional scintillation in single phase LXe

Using 4 μ m wire

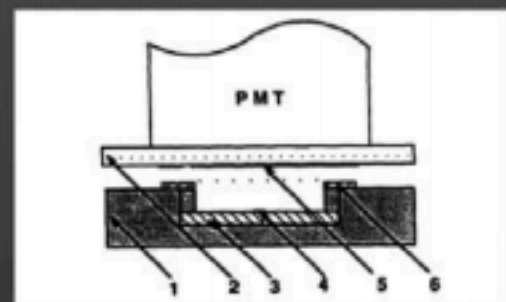


Fig. 1. Schematic drawing of the test chamber (1) HV insulator (Macoel), (2) UV quartz window, (3) Cathode (stainless steel), (4) Source, (5) Grid (grounded), (6) Anode.

^{109}Cd 22keV was observed

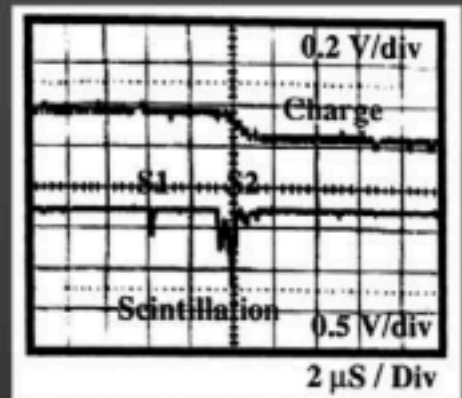
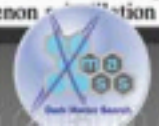


Fig. 5. Charge avalanche signal from preamplifier of 22 keV gamma rays from ^{109}Cd (top) together with the nonintegrated scintillation signal.

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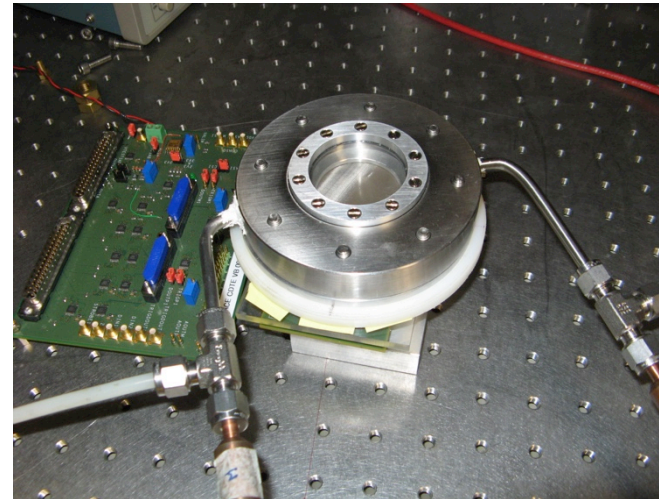
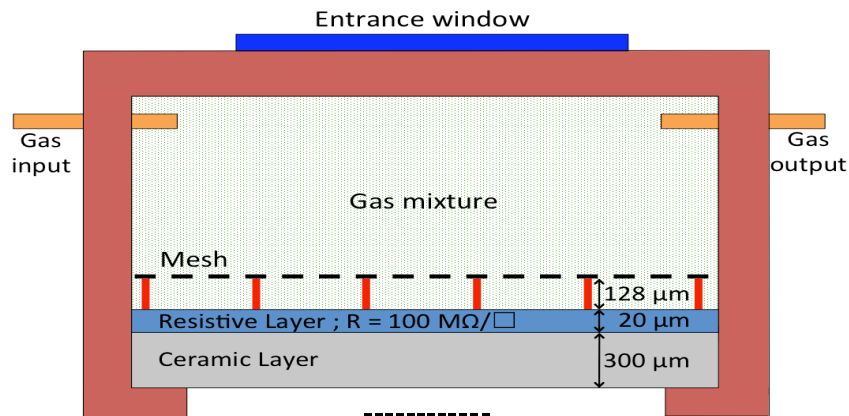
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Detection of energy deposition down to the keV region using liquid xenon

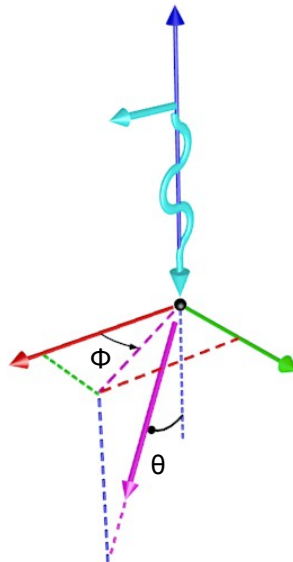
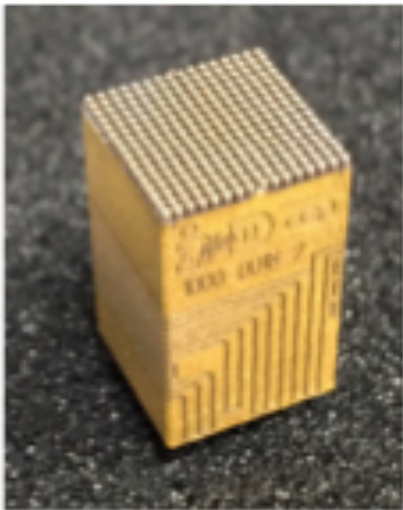


X-ray polarimeter using MM 'Piggyback' and Caliste

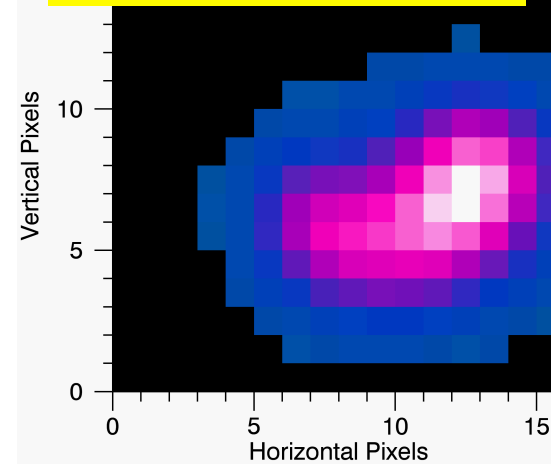
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Caliste



He+ 20% CO2 1 BAR



Promising prospects to measure X-rays polarisation