

## Low gamma activity measurement of meteorites using HPGe-NaI detector system



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The radioactivity in natural samples like cosmogenic isotopes in meteorites is very low, usually below 0.001 dpm/g.

Special techniques are required as

- the sample can not be destroyed
- large amount of sample must be counted

We have developed a highly selective **Ge-Nal coincidence spectrometer**, operating in the **underground** Laboratory of Monte dei Cappuccini (INAF) in Torino.

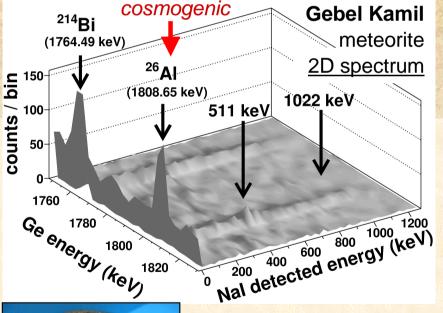
HPGe inside NaI(TI) "umbrella"





"plug" to complete 4π geometry

We have then developed a **multiparametric** acquisition system → better selectivity





iron meteorite

**Applications** to the study of *chondrite*, *achondrite* and *iron* meteorites are described.