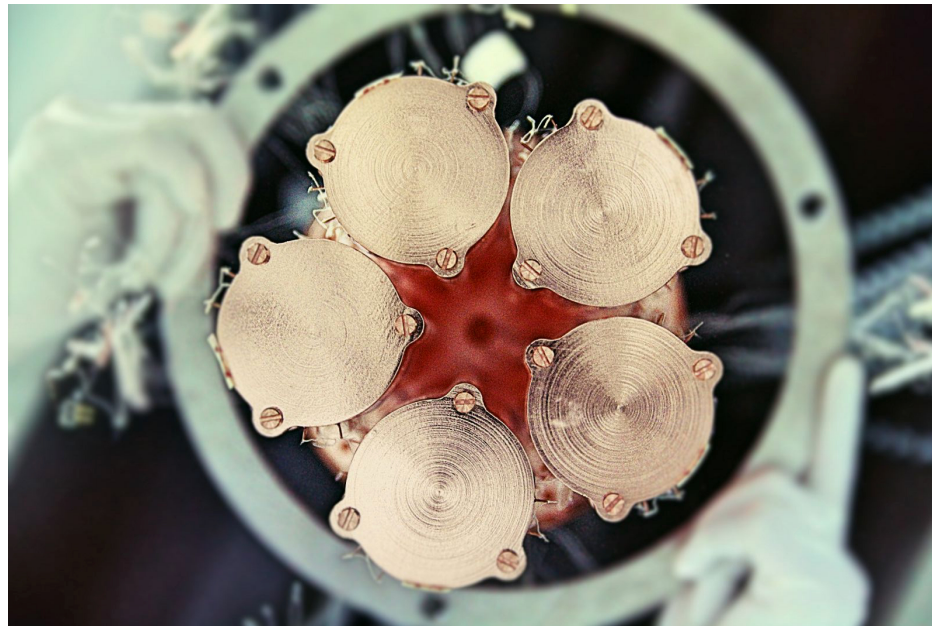


Cryogenic Calorimeters to search for Double Beta Decay



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Physics Motivation

- Definitive evidences for **massive neutrinos**
- How do we incorporate these masses in the SM?
- Being neutral, neutrinos could be **the only fermion that could be its own anti-particle**

Neutrinos would be **Majorana particles** (as opposed to all the other fermions)

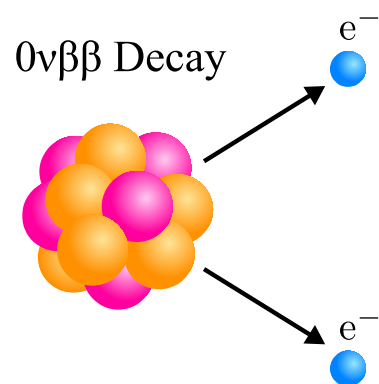
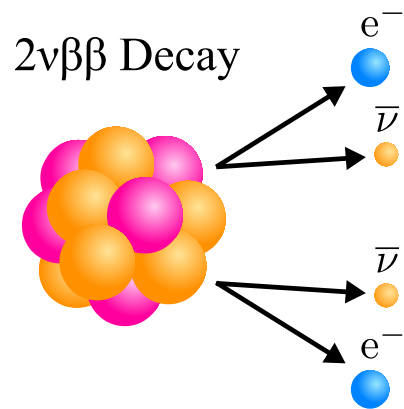


A Majorana mass term:

- Implies **violation of lepton number** conservation
- Crucial for theories explaining the **dominance of matter over antimatter** in the Universe

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay

- How do we probe the Majorana nature of neutrinos?
- **Neutrino-less Double Beta Decay ($0\nu\text{DBD}$)**



Hypothesized (never observed) nuclear transition:

- Can occur **only if ν is a Majorana** particle
- Forbidden by SM: it **violates L** (actually B-L) conservation
- It **creates matter** (no anti-matter balancing)
- Majorana phases: **other sources of CPV?**
- If observed, insights on the neutrino mass

Neutrino (Majorana) Mass

The observable of the process $T_{1/2}$ is related to $m_{\beta\beta}$

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↓ Phase Space Factor ↓ Nuclear Matrix Element

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- **m_1, m_2, m_3** particle neutrino **mass eigenstates**
- **$c_{12}, c_{13} \dots$** **mixing angles** parametrizing the PMNS matrix (transform mass to flavor bases)
- **α_{21}, α_{31}** : **Majorana phases**

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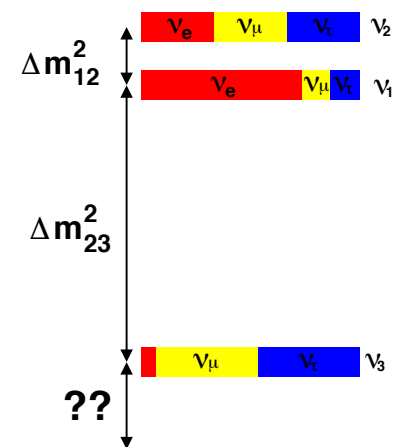
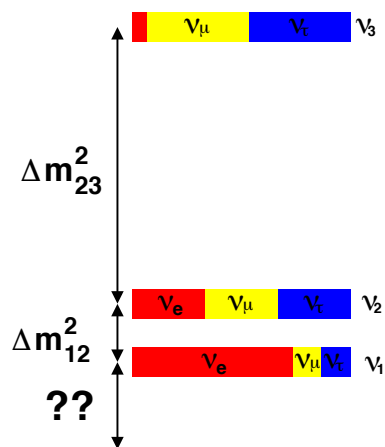
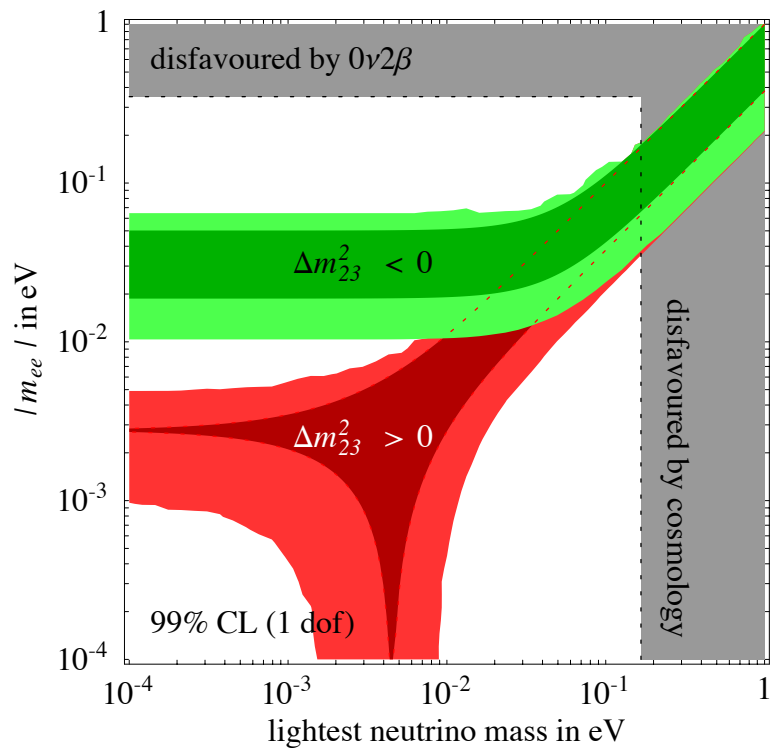
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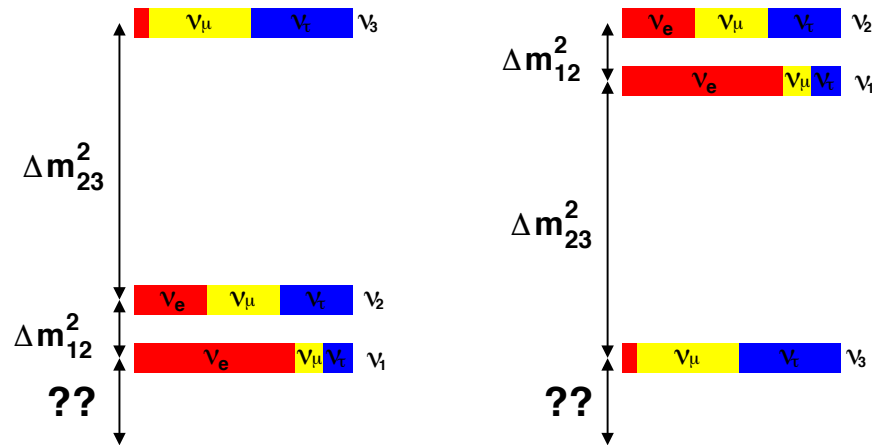
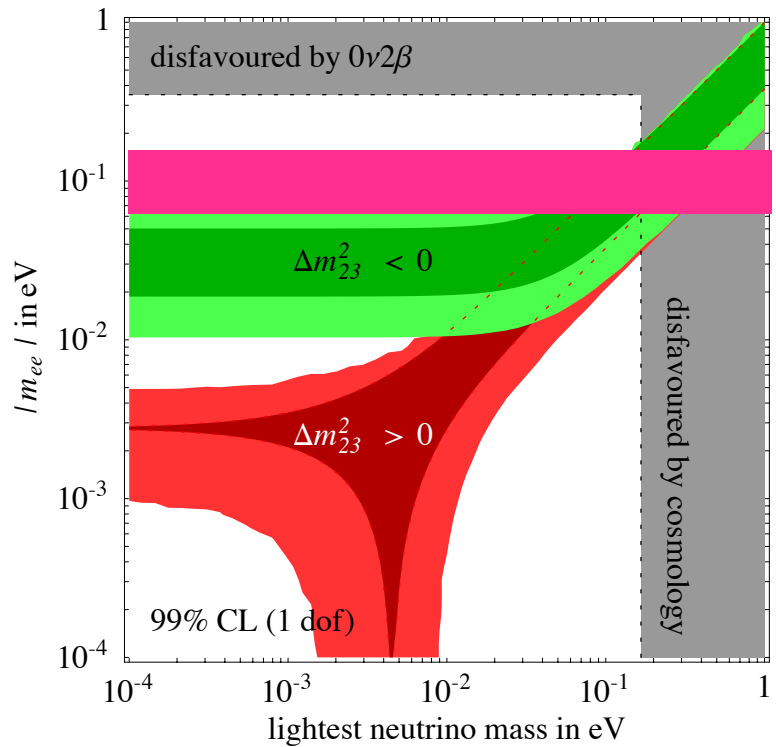
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Neutrino (Majorana) Mass



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Touch the inverted hierarchy region

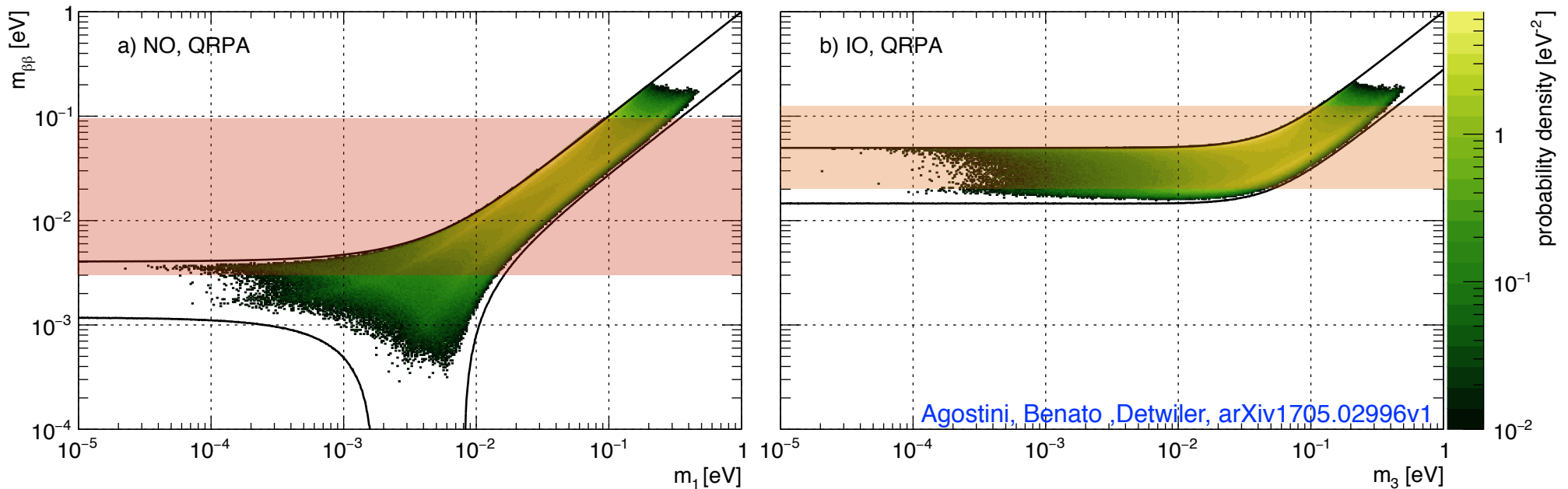
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Increasing the sensitivity on $T_{1/2}$ by a factor 10 = increasing the sensitivity on $m_{\beta\beta}$ by ~ 3

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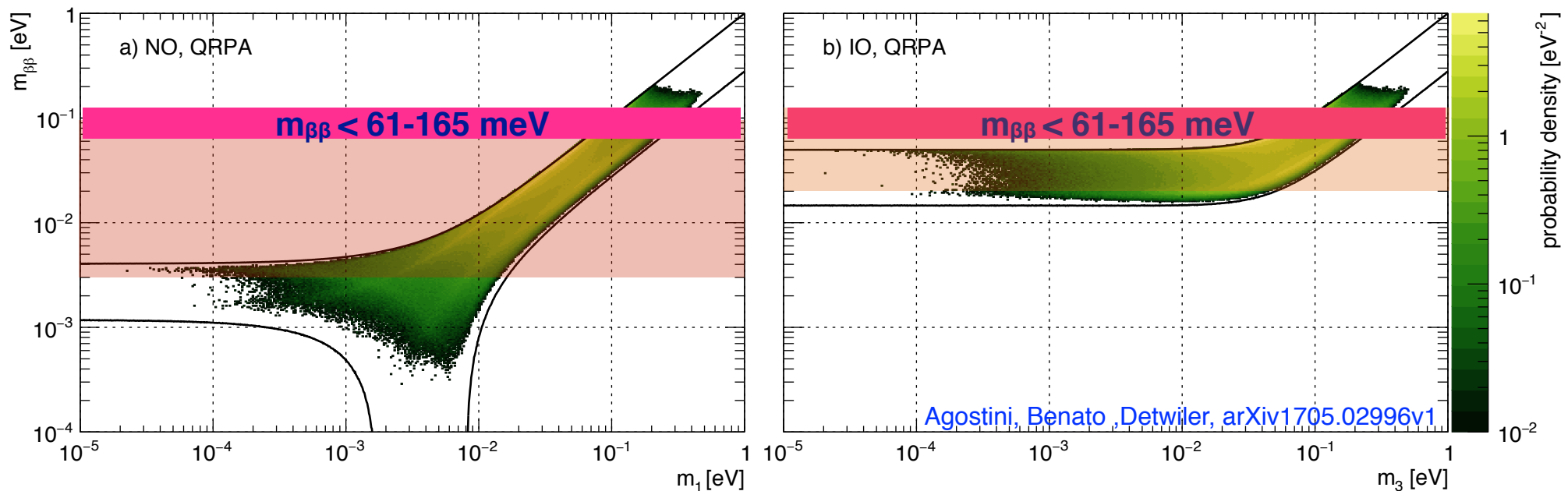


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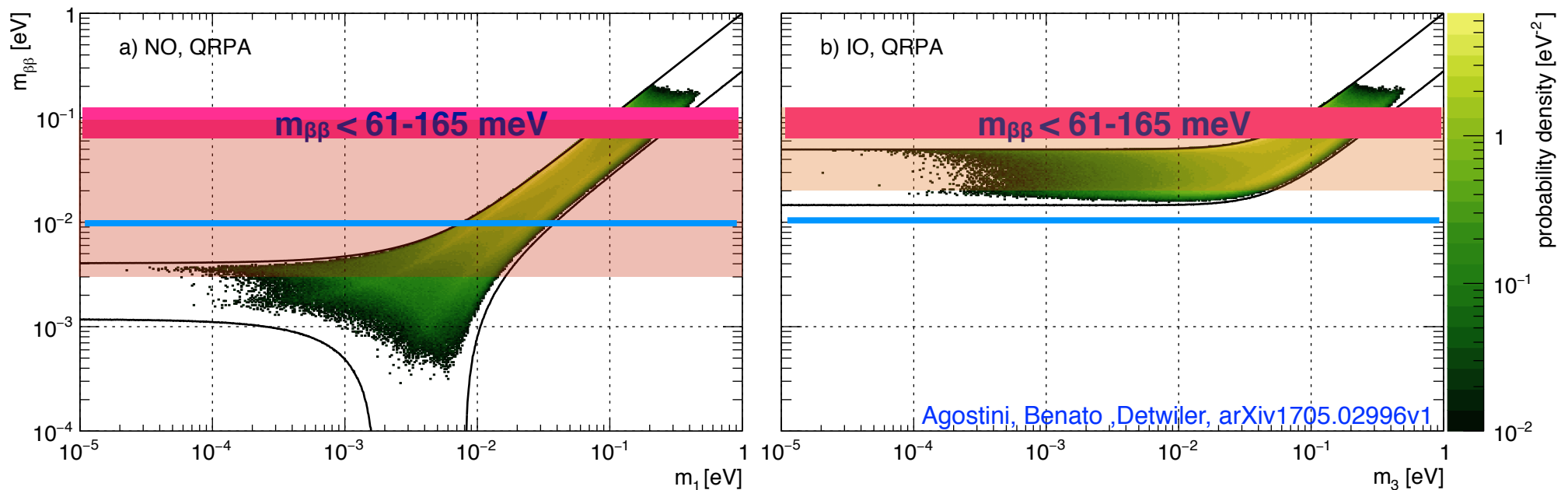


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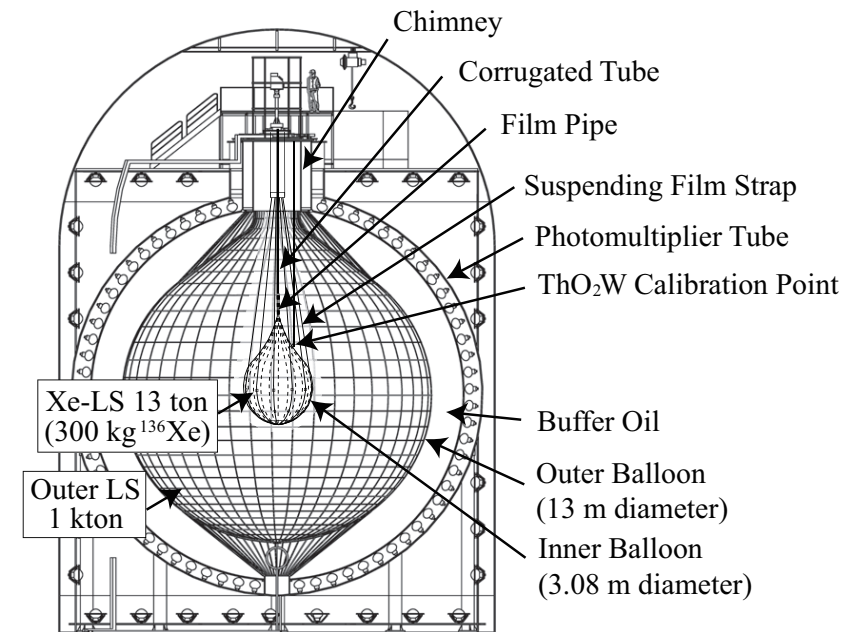


- With a **discovery sensitivity of 10-20 meV** we can cover the true value of $m_{\beta\beta}$
- with **more than 95%** probability assuming **Inverted** hierarchy
- with **more than 50%** probability assuming **normal** hierarchy (to reach $\sim 90\%$ need 5 meV)

How do we reach 10 meV

Status:

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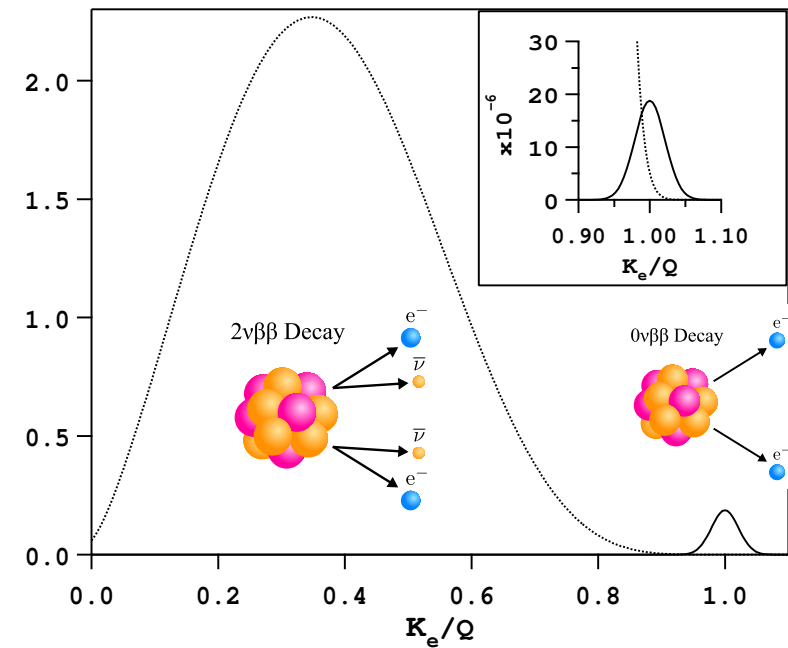


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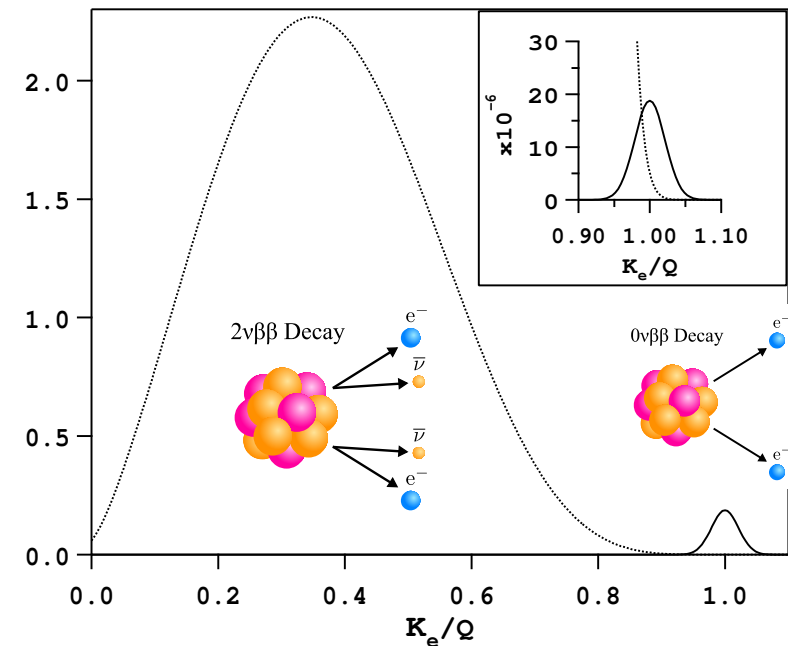
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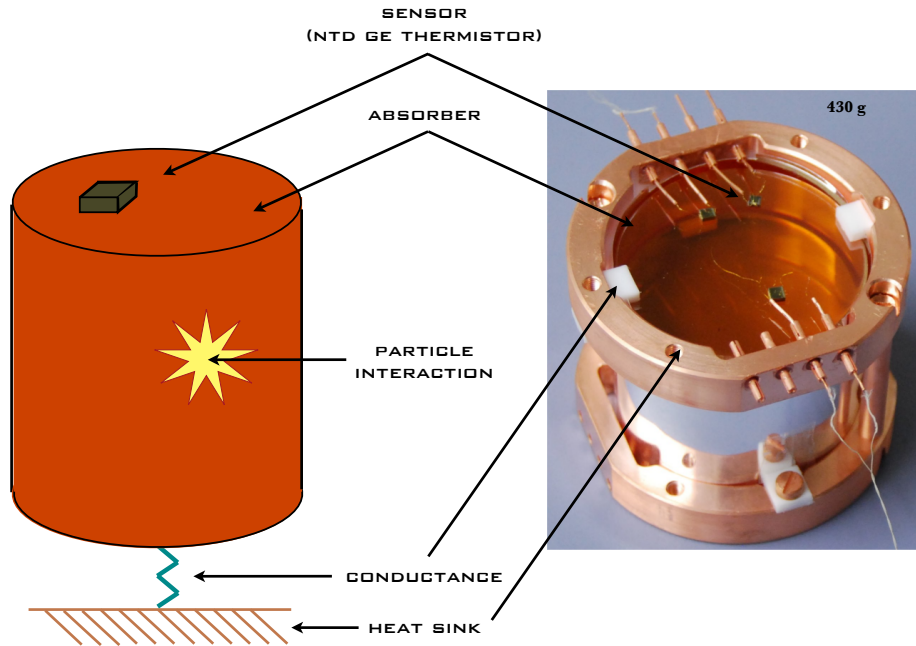


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Good Energy Resolution

Background free detectors

Cryogenic Calorimeters



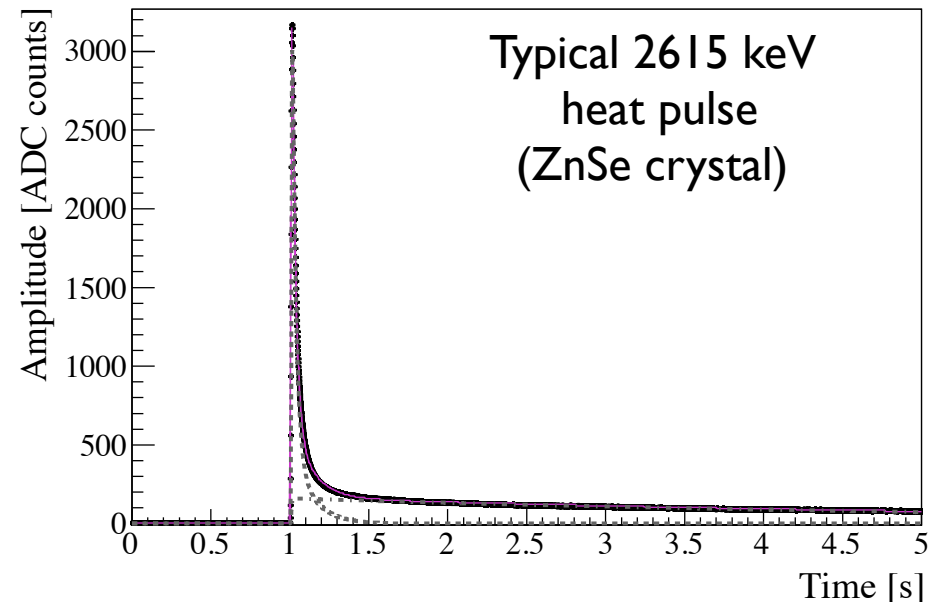
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Crystal operated as calorimeter at **~ 10 mK**

Particle interaction \leftrightarrow E deposit \leftrightarrow T increase

Dedicated sensor to convert ΔT in a voltage pulse

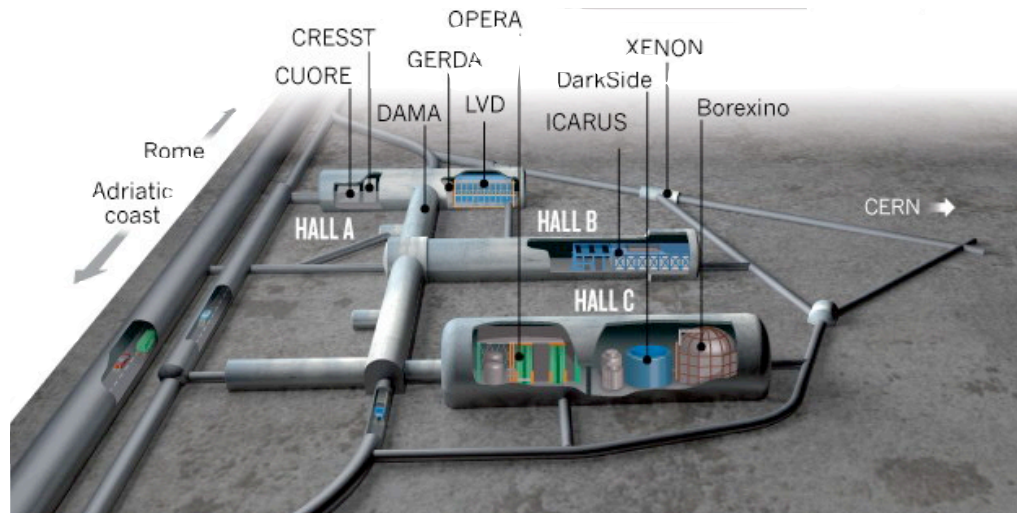
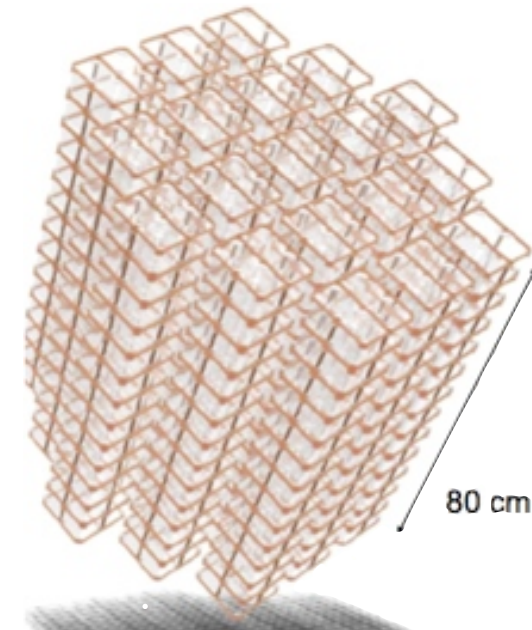
- Grown from $0\nu\beta\beta$ emitter \leftrightarrow **$\epsilon > 80\%$**
- Possibility to test **different $0\nu\beta\beta$ emitters**
- Excellent **energy resolution** (5-20 keV FWHM at 2615 keV)
- Scalability \leftrightarrow large **source mass**



CUORE

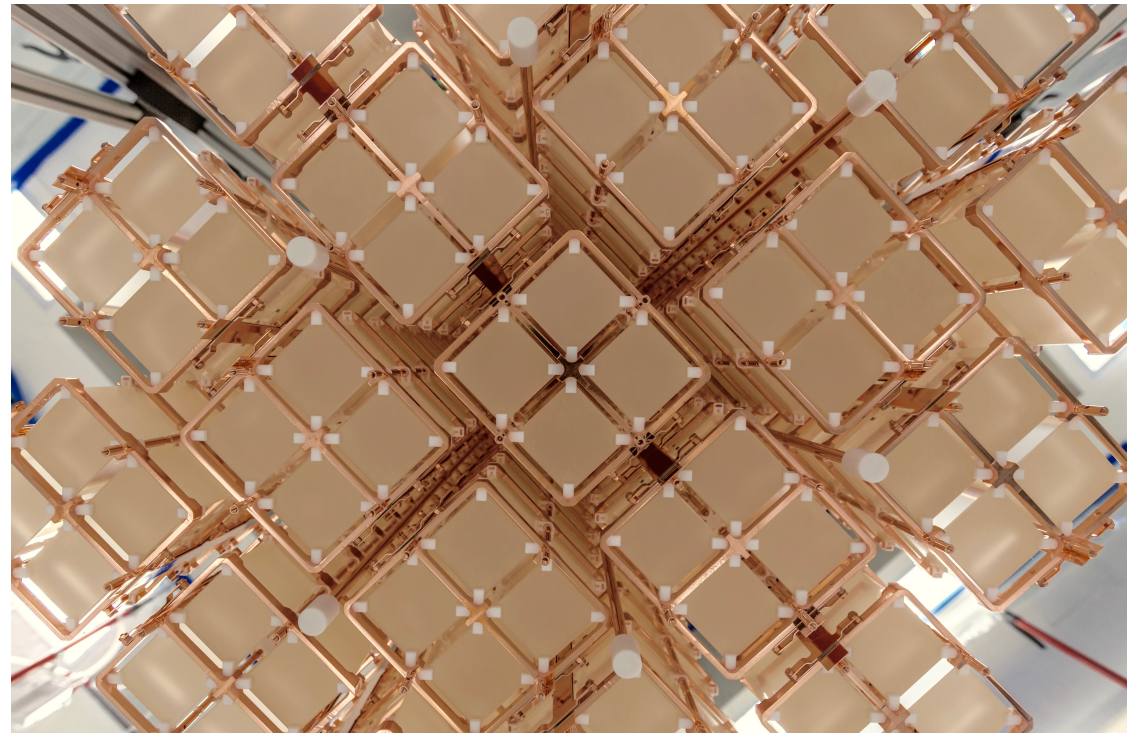
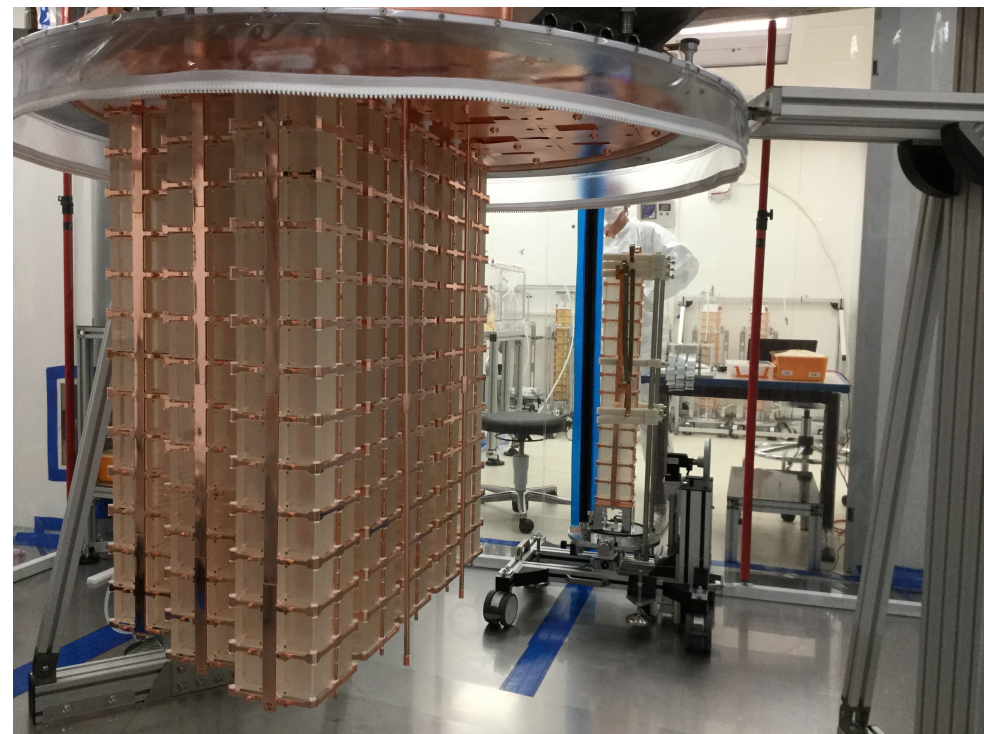
Goal: study of the ^{130}Te $0\nu\beta\beta$ with sensitivity of $\sim 10^{26}$ y

- **988 TeO_2** crystals for a **total mass of ~ 1 ton**
- 206 kg of ^{130}Te
- Background goal: **200 counts in the ROI** (far from zero)
- In data taking at Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso
→ mountain suppresses the cosmic rays interactions of $\sim 10^6$



CUORE

Assembly completed in August 2016



CUORE

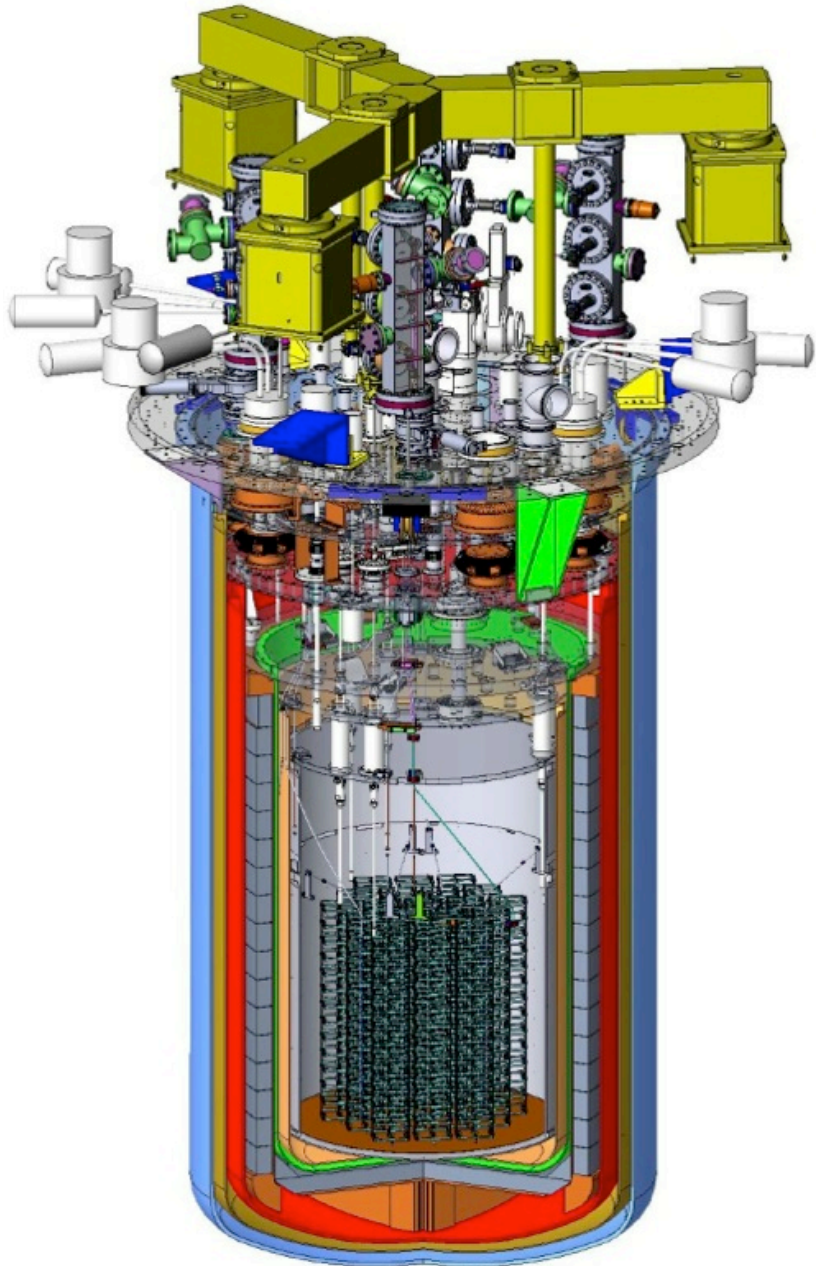
10 mK shield

Roman Pb radiation shield (4K)

Thermal shields,
radiation shields,
and electronics
installed
Sep – Nov, 2016



CUORE



3 tons of crystals and copper at **10 mK**

~20 tons at different temperature stages

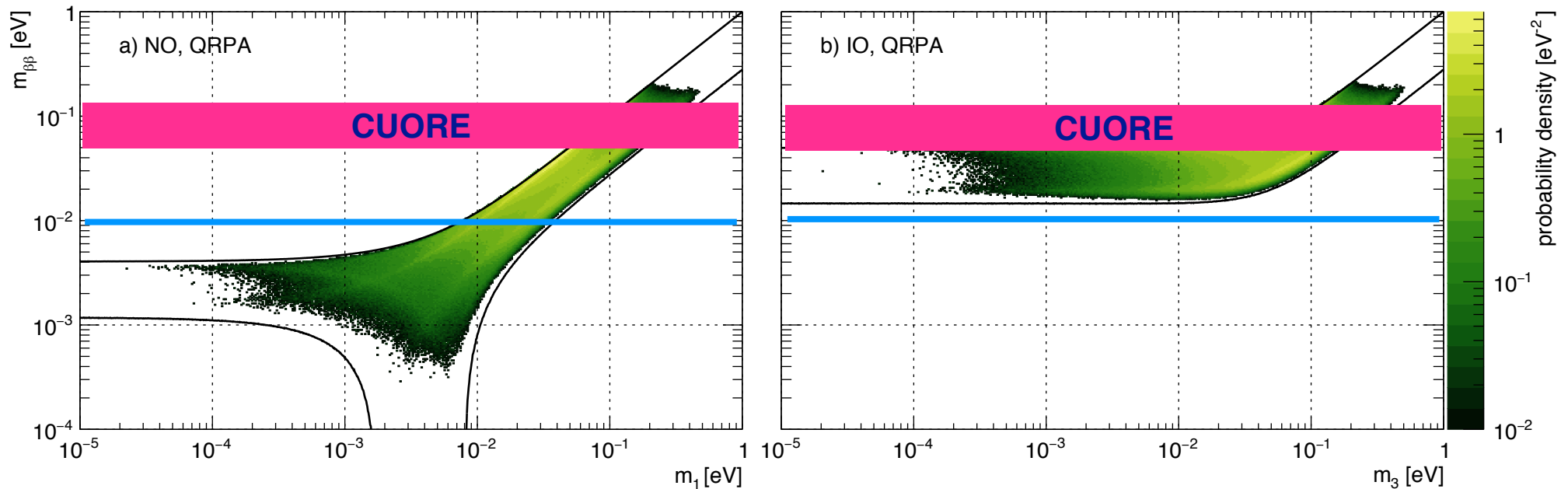
January 2017: base temperature (**10 mK**) reached

Today: commissioning completed, in **data taking!**

The success of CUORE is fundamental for future bolometric experiments

From CUORE to CUPID

Goal: study of the ^{130}Te $0\nu\beta\beta$ with sensitivity of $T_{1/2} \sim 10^{26}$ y
CUORE will probe the region of $m_{\beta\beta}$ 50-130 meV



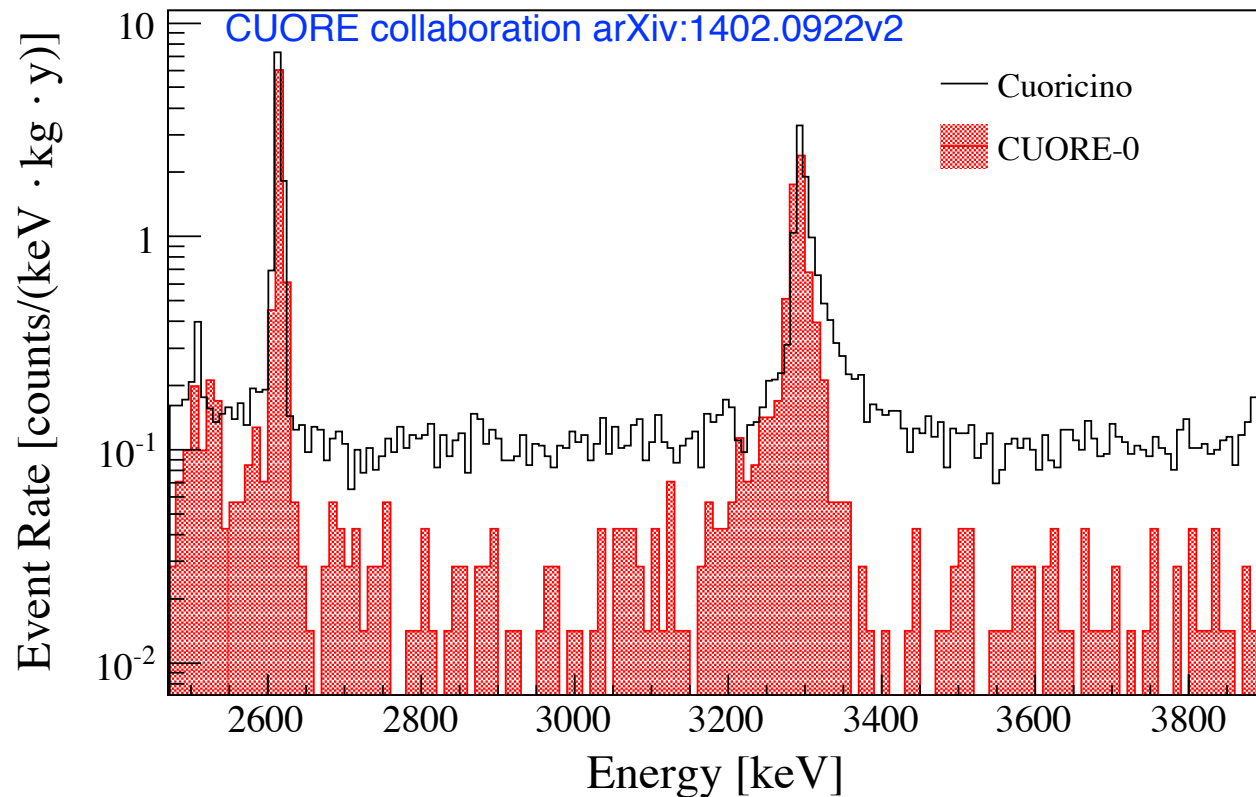
Next generation projects are targeting a discovery potential as low as **10 meV**.

CUPID
CUORE Upgrade with Particle Identification

G. Wang arXiv:1504.03599

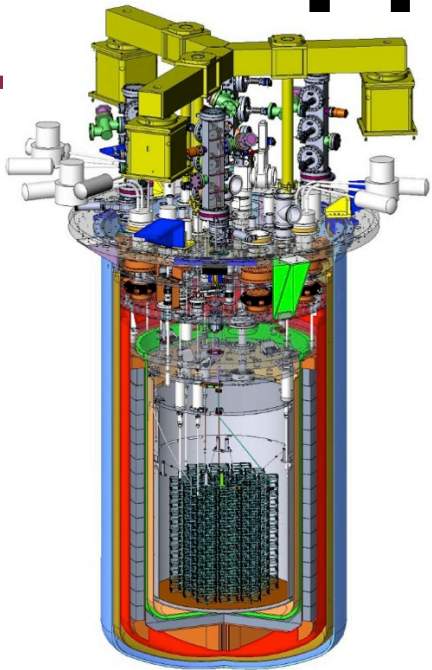
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Background Study: CUORE-0

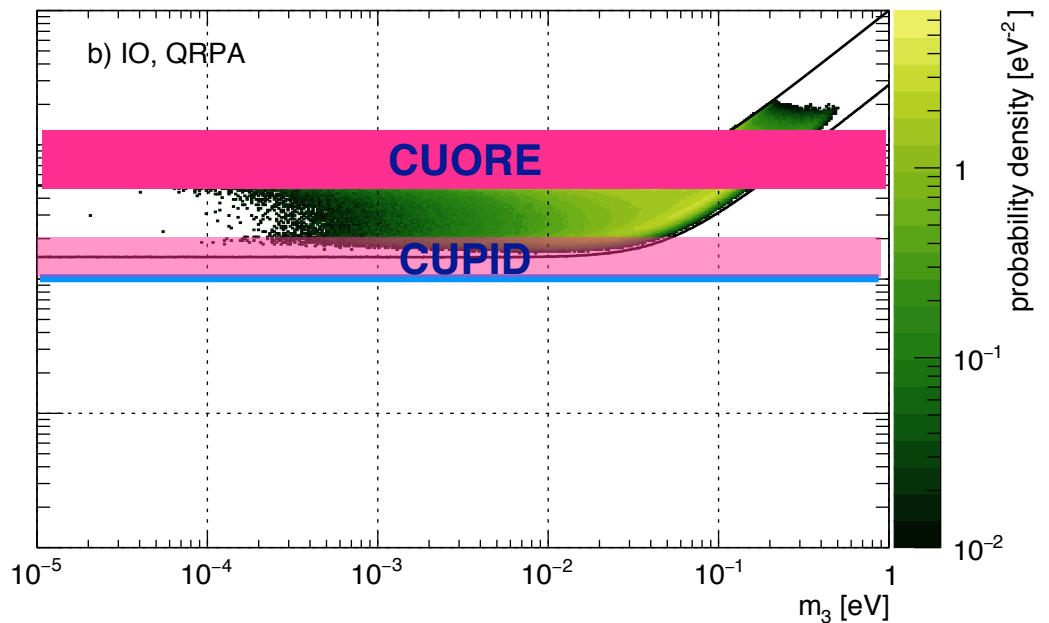
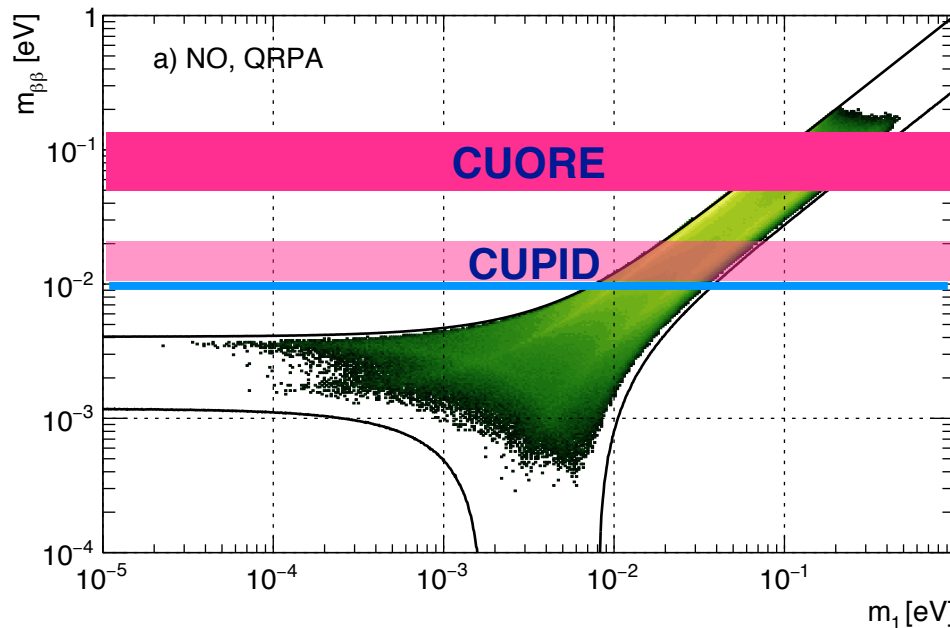


- Background: **α -decaying isotopes** on copper/crystals
- Further improvement of cleaning? Not realistic
- Novel technologies: **particle identification**

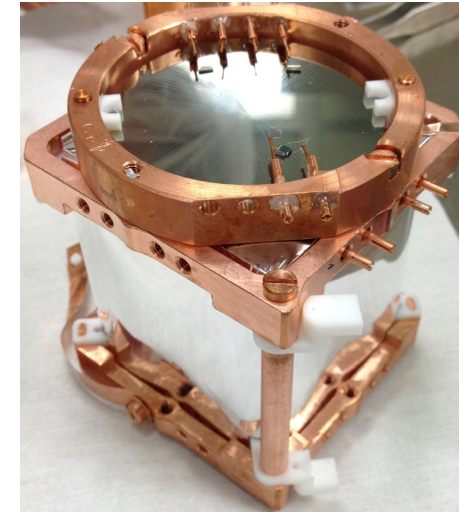
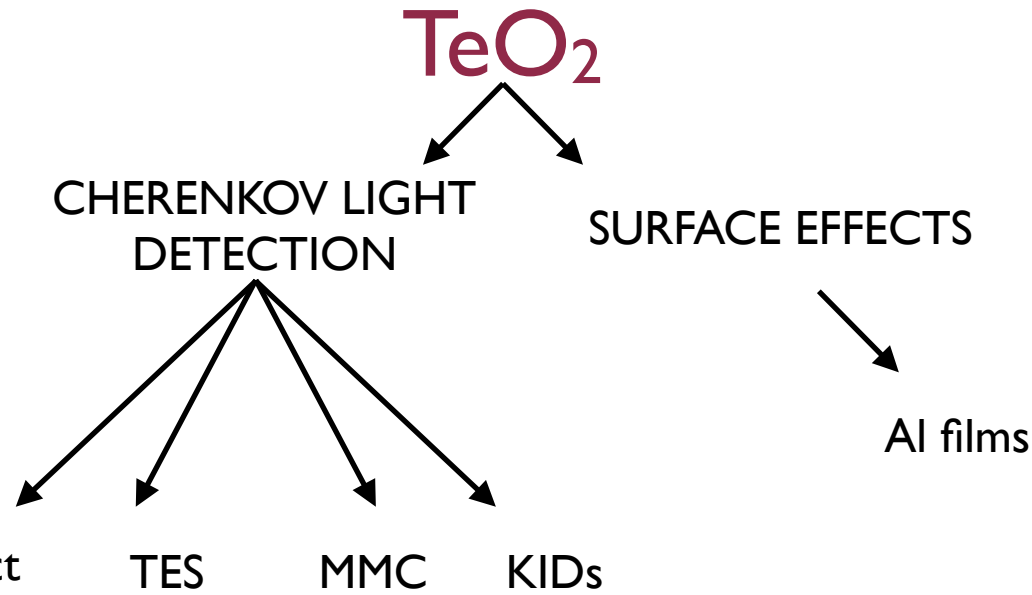
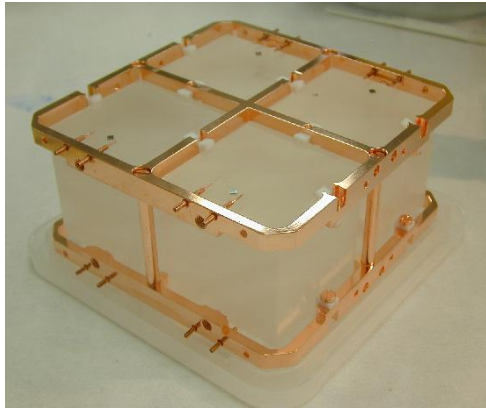
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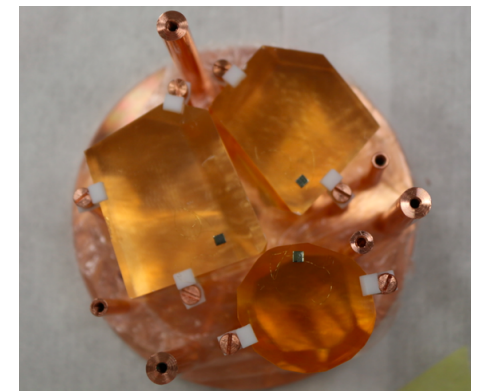
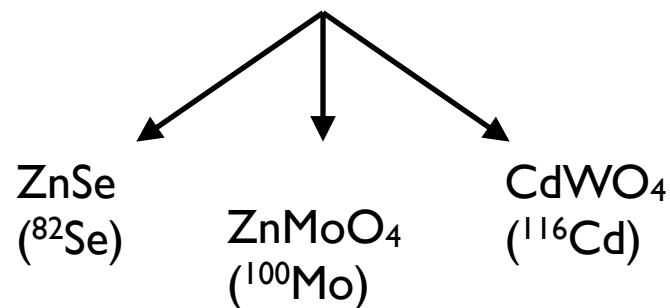
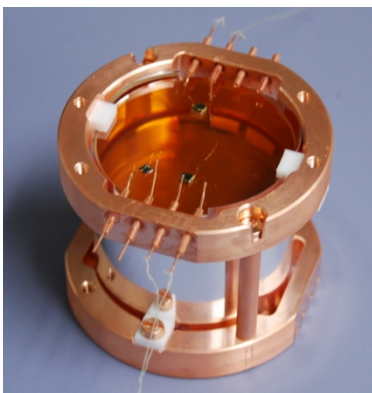
- **CUORE cryostat** (ultimate limit in the detector mass)
- Same **energy resolution 0.1%**
- **Particle identification** to distinguish electrons (possible 0nDBD) from α (dominant background): **light output**



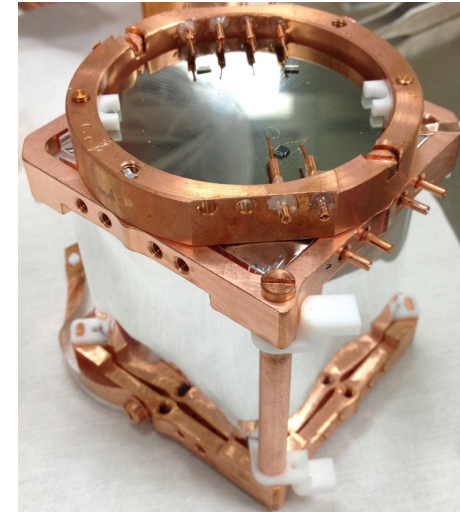
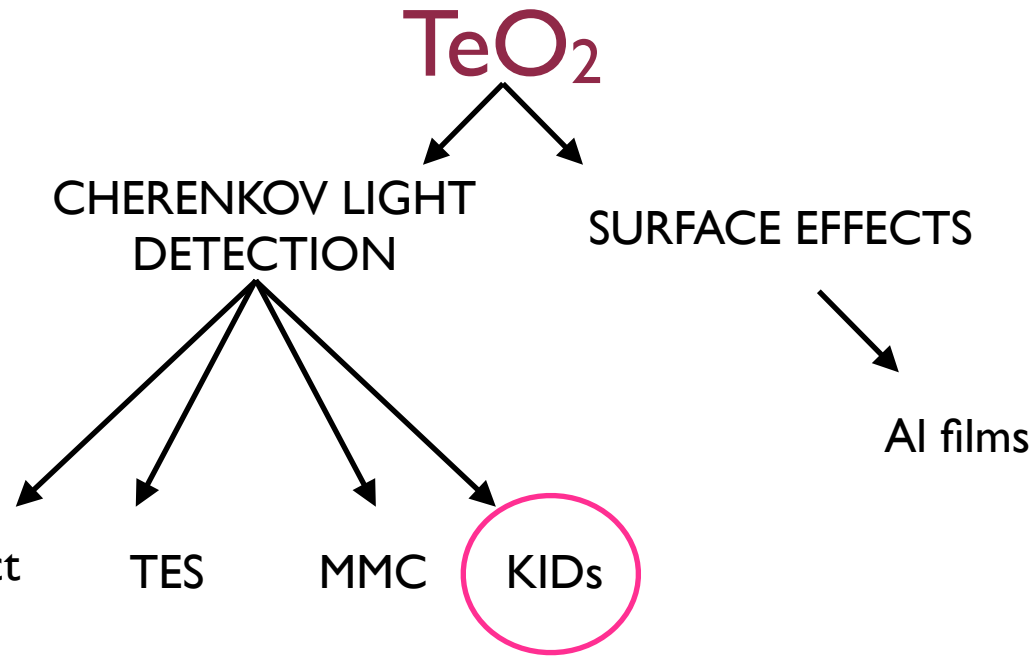
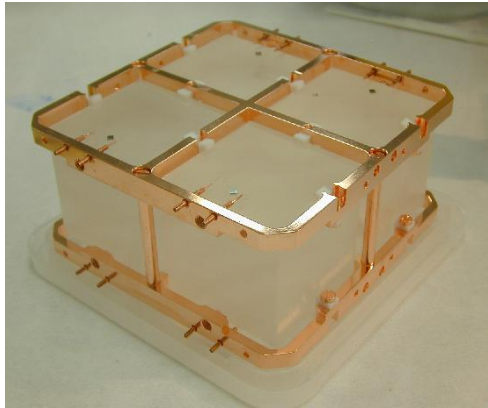
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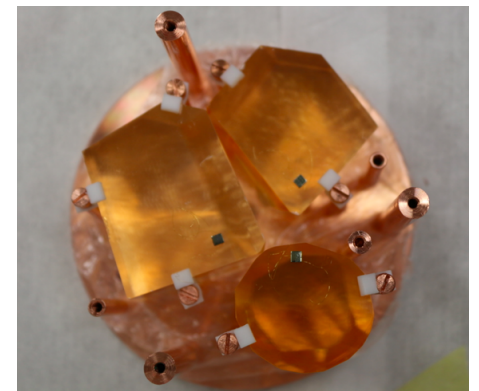
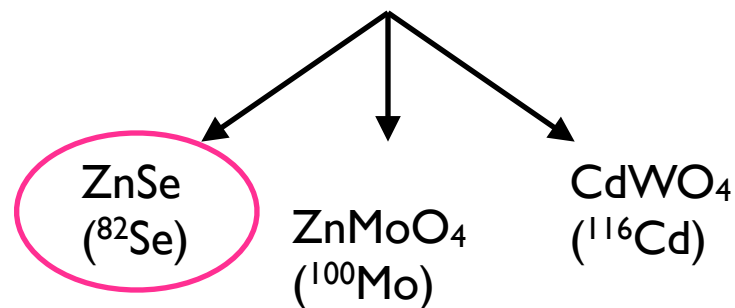
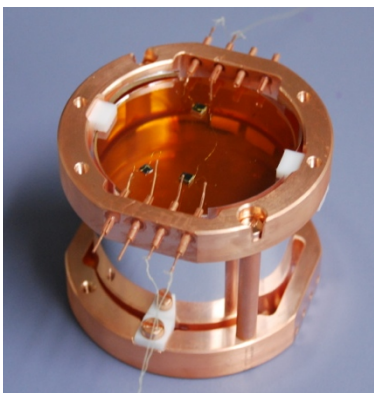
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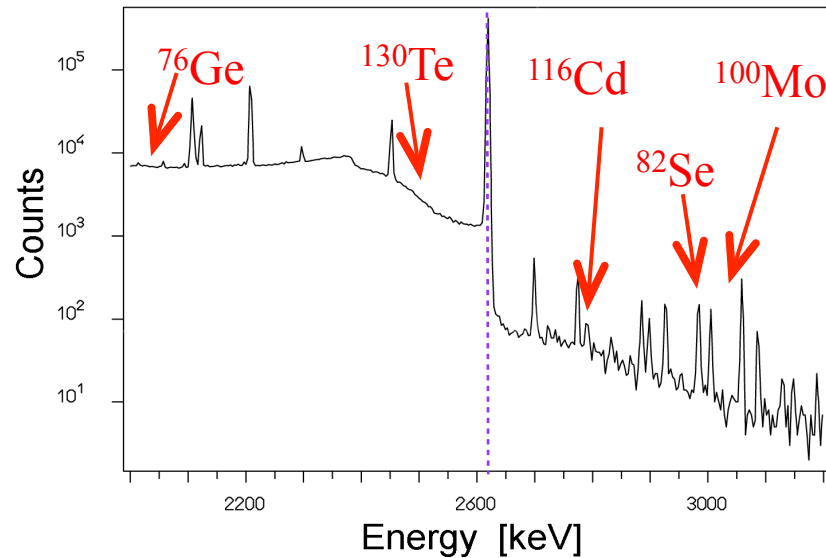
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Other emitters: Se



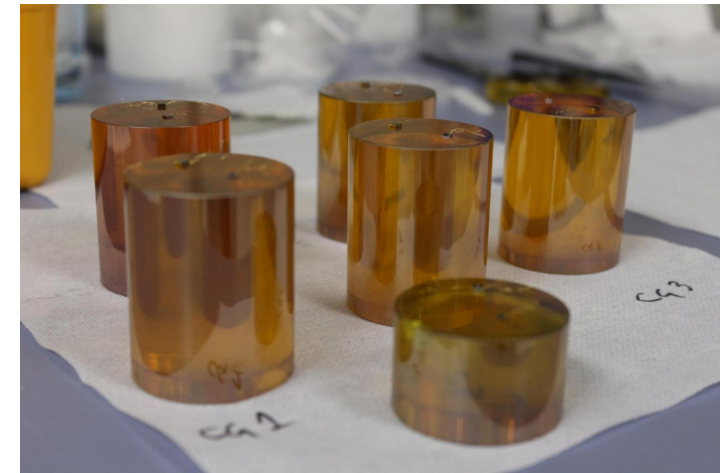
Isotopes with large Q-value

⇒ we **suppress also γ background**

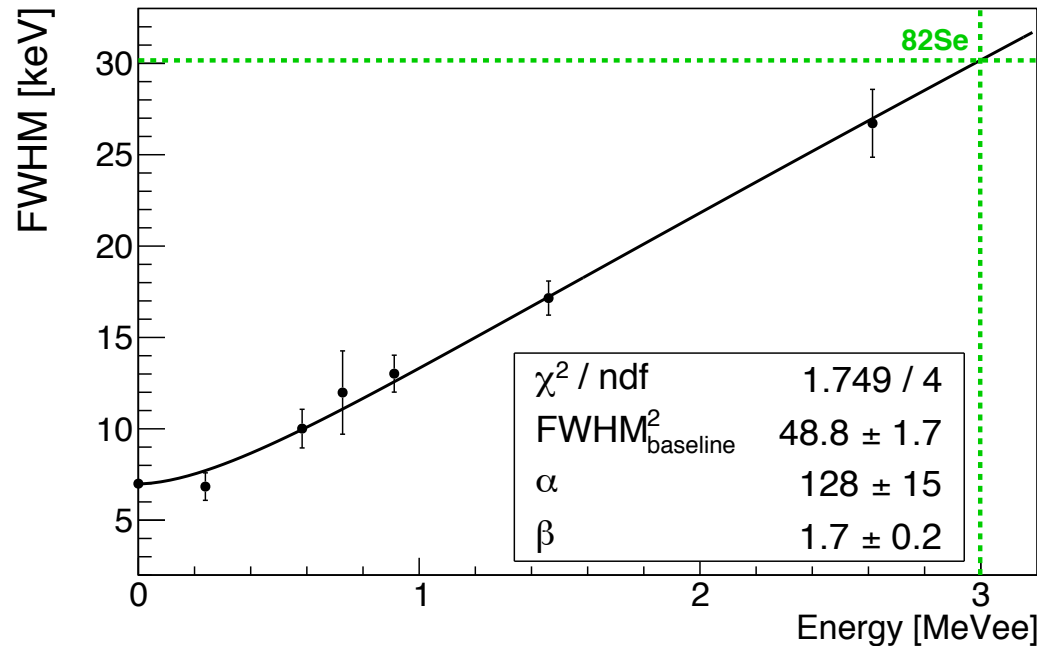
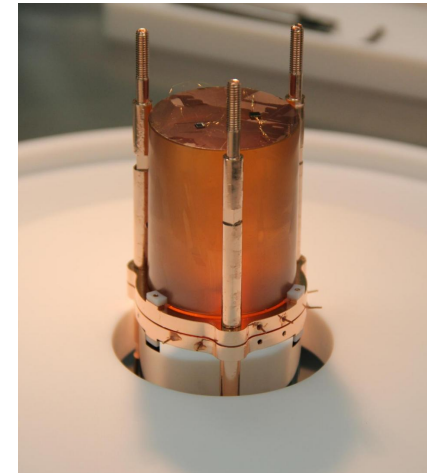
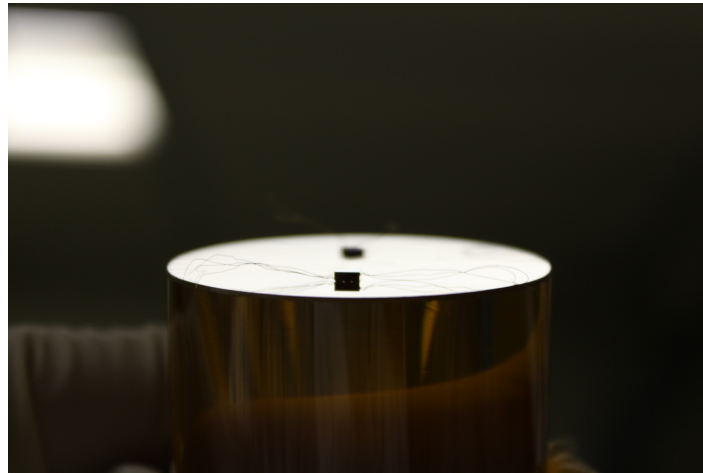
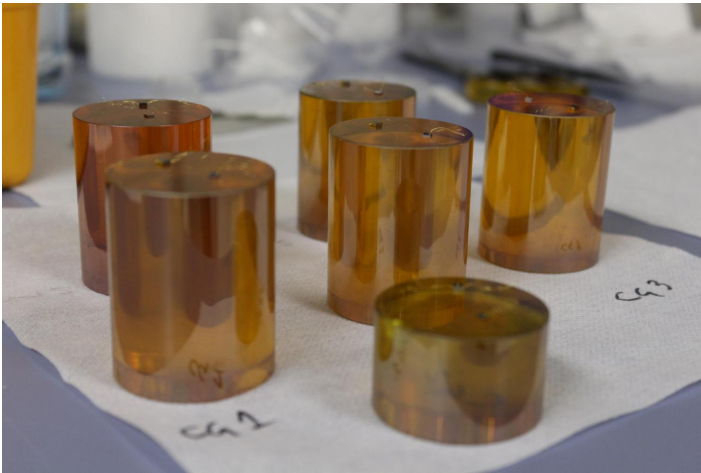
⇒ approach **zero background!**

Which isotope? Years of R&D, many possibilities

- **⁸²Se**: high **Q-value ~2998 keV**
- Enrich in ⁸²Se from 8.7% to **96.3%** ([arXiv:1702.05877](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.05877))
- ⁸²Se embedded in **Zn⁸²Se crystals** to be operated as **cryogenic calorimeters**

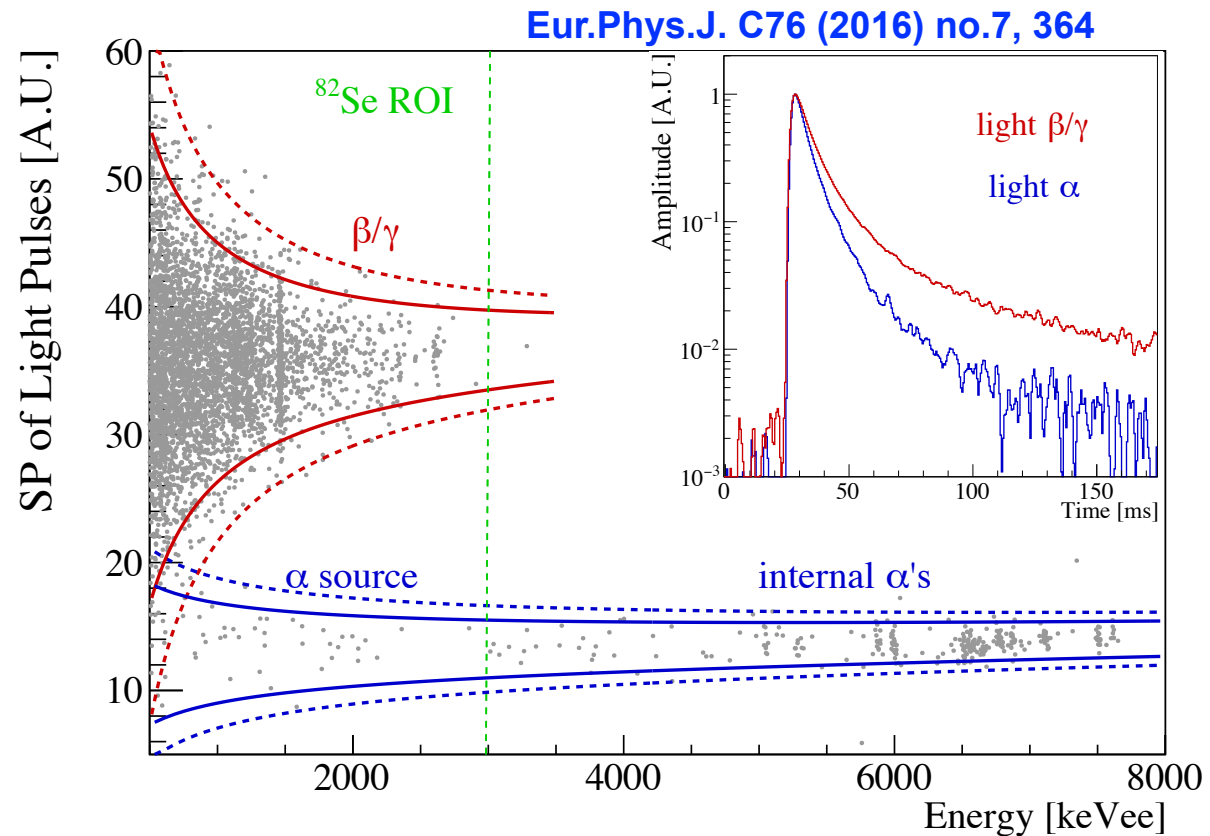
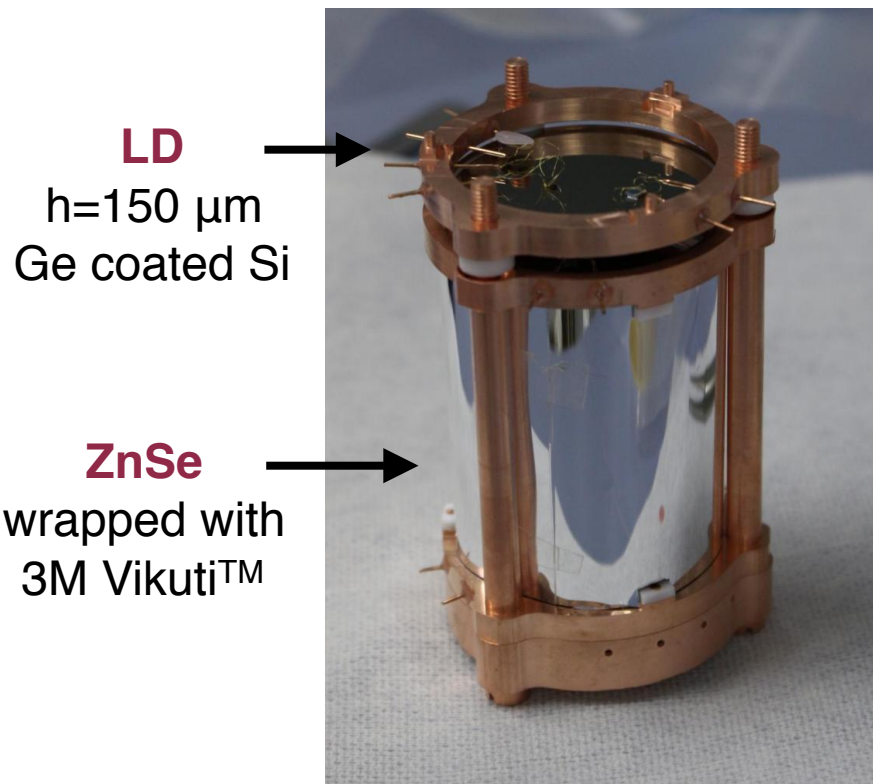


ZnSe scintillating calorimeters



- Containment **efficiency >80%**
- Energy resolution **30 keV at 3 MeV** (1%)
- Reasonable intrinsic background

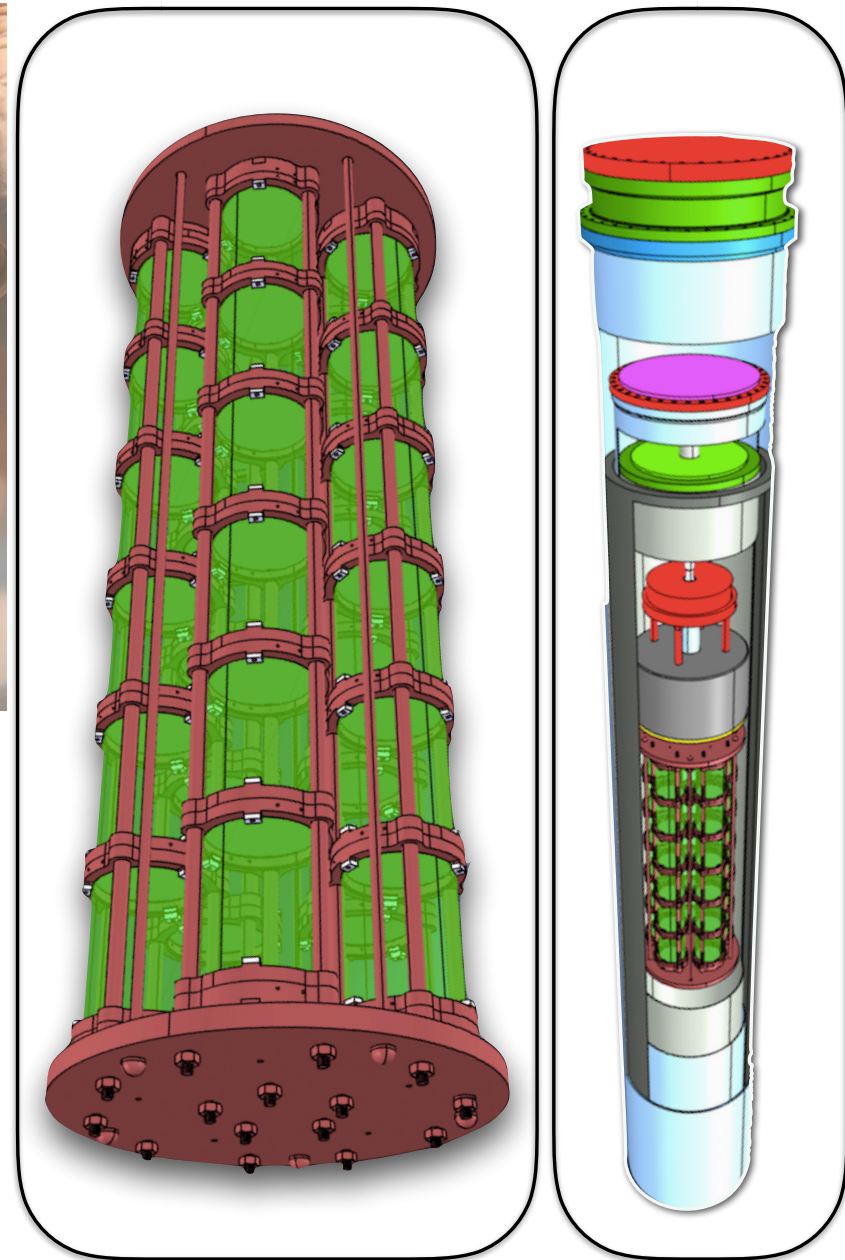
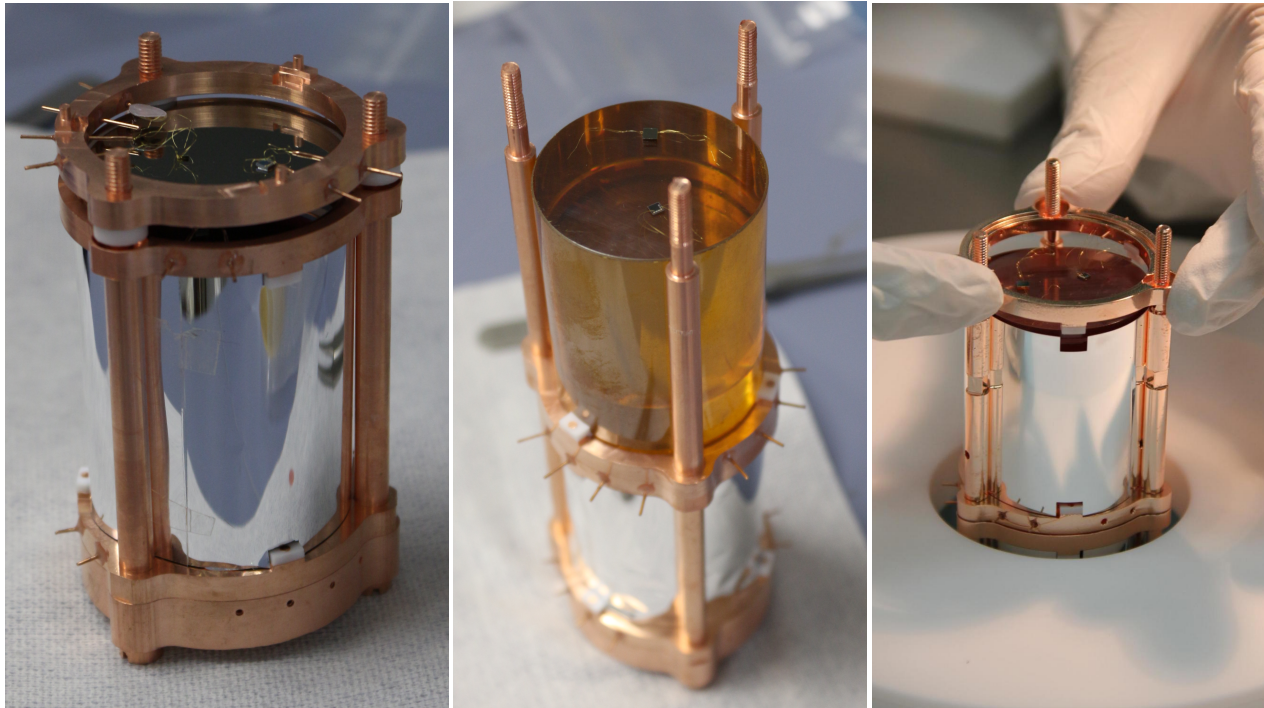
Potential of Particle ID



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Complete rejection of the dominant alpha background

CUPID-0



- **CUPID-0** is a modular detector **~10 kg**
- Commissioned in **early 2017**
- About 60 researcher from Italy, US and France

CUPID-0 Assembly

Coordinated by **Nicola Casali**

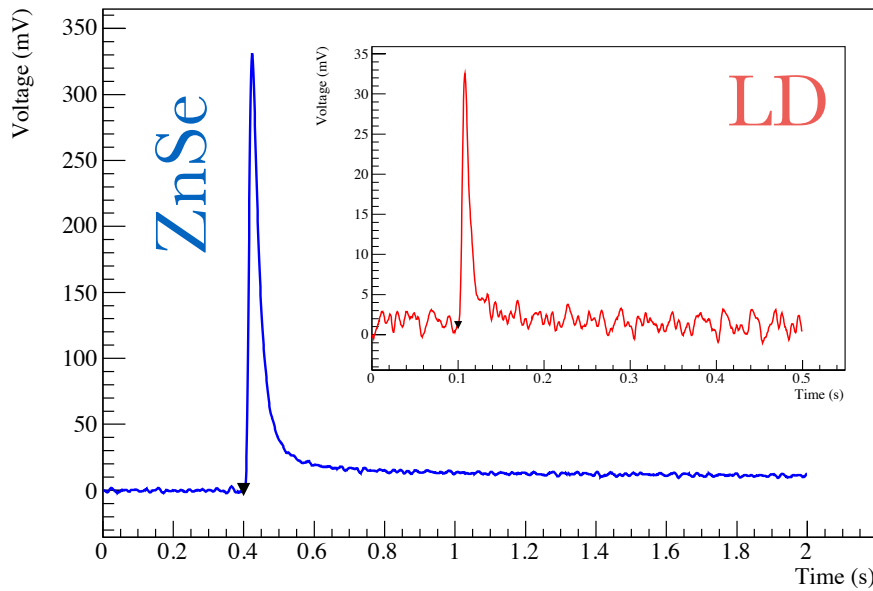
Invaluable help from S. Morganti, M. Iannone, V. Pettinacci, M. Capodiferro and A. Pelosi



- 24 Enriched Zn^{82}Se crystals + 2 natural ZnSe
- 10.5 kg ZnSe (5.17 kg of ^{82}Se)
- CUPID-0 is a demonstrator, still it features **3.8×10^{25} OnDBD emitters**

First Data

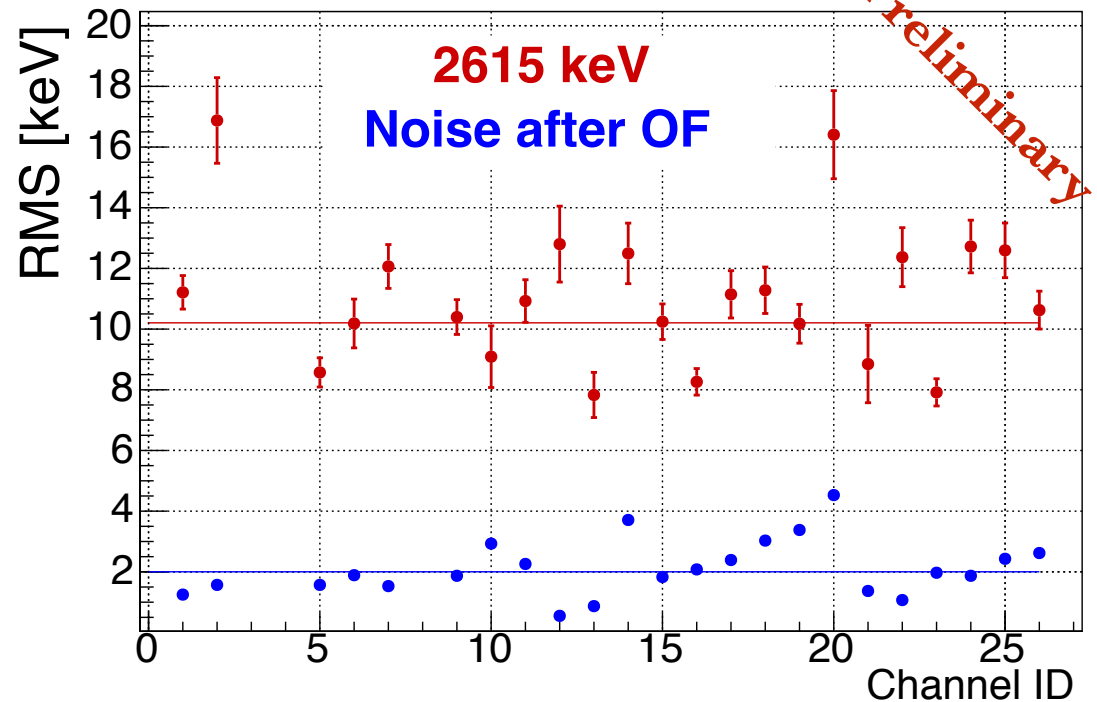
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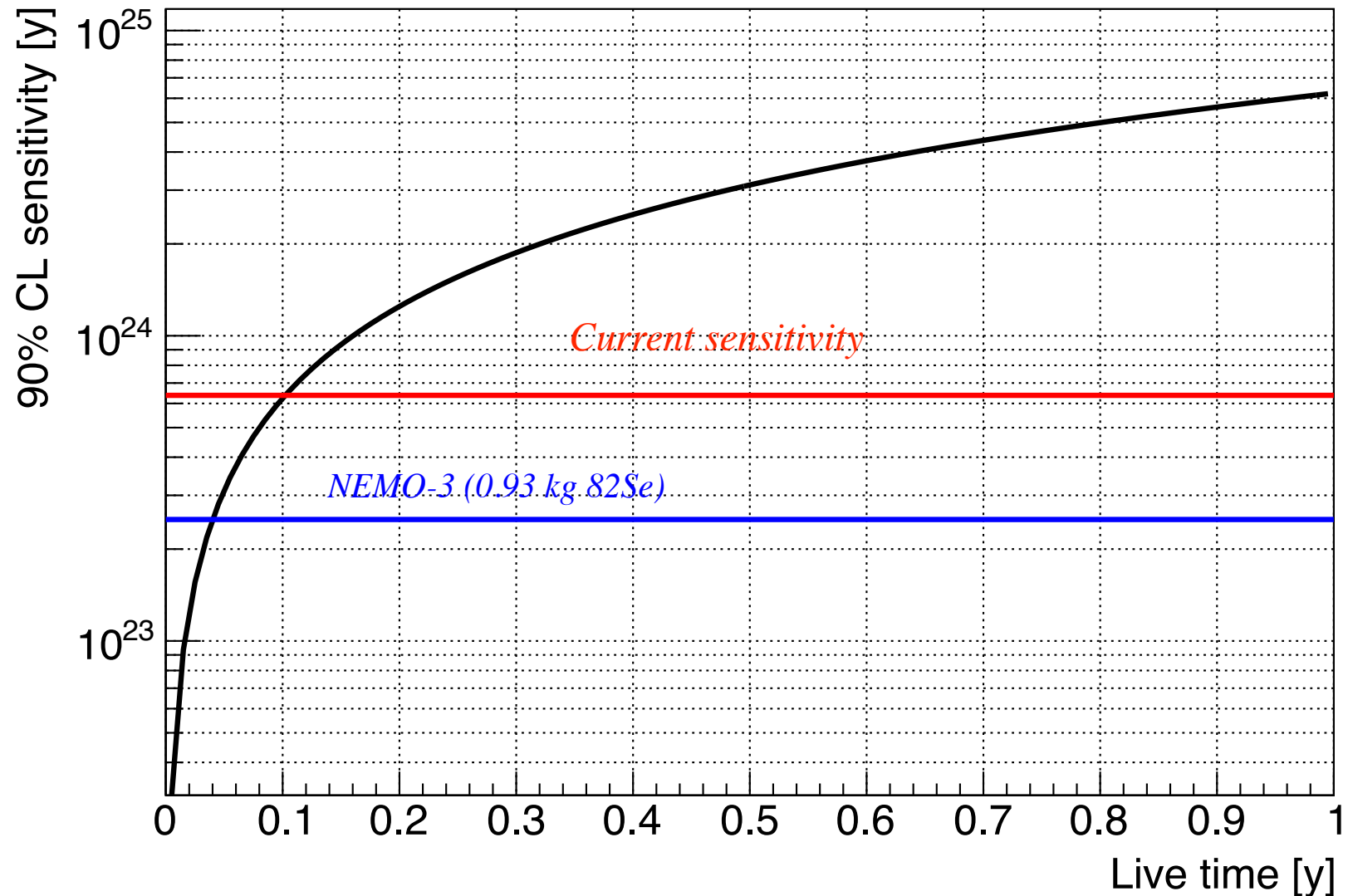
First pulses from **all** the detectors

2 channels temporarily excluded

- Average **FWHM @2.6 MeV = 25.5 keV**
- Still room for improvement

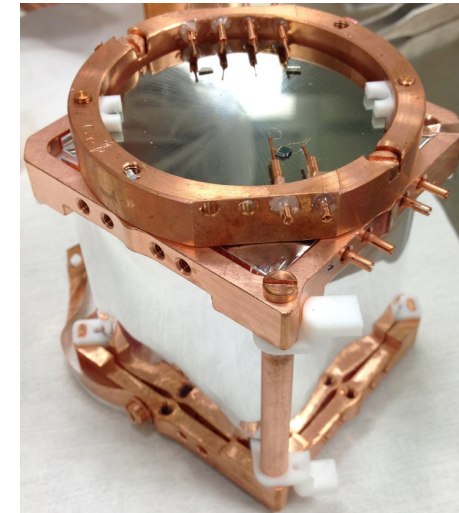
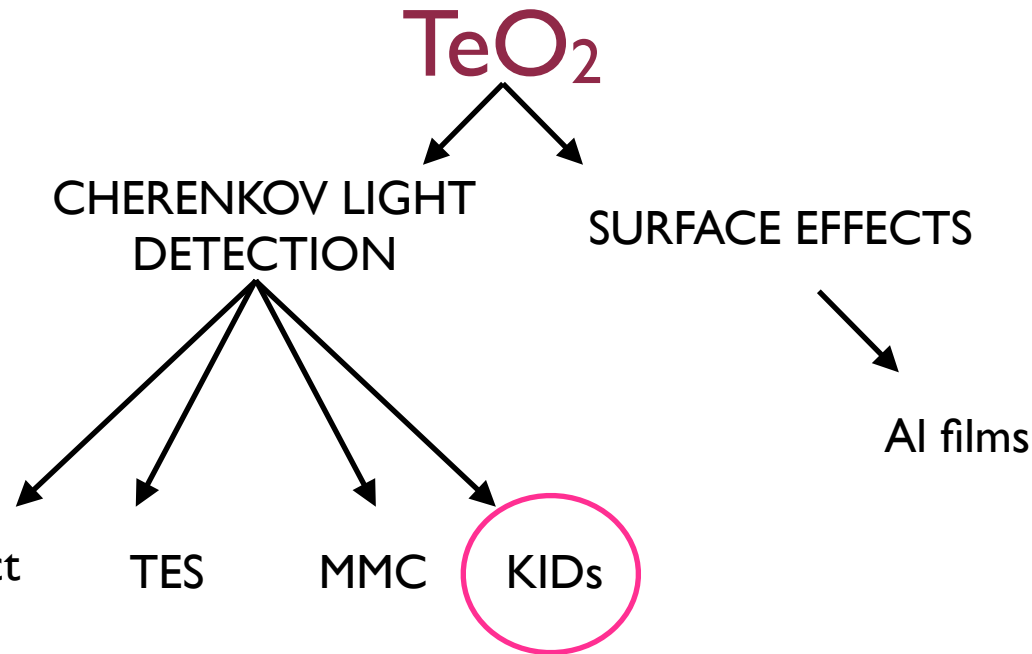
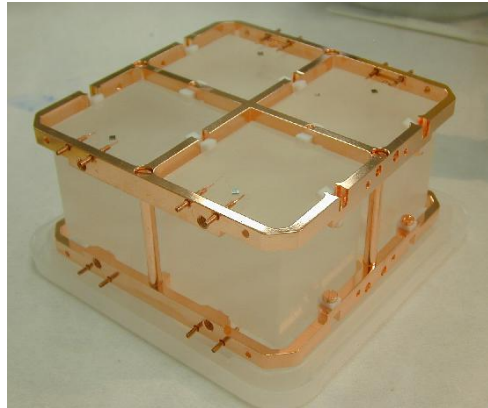


CUPID-0 Perspectives

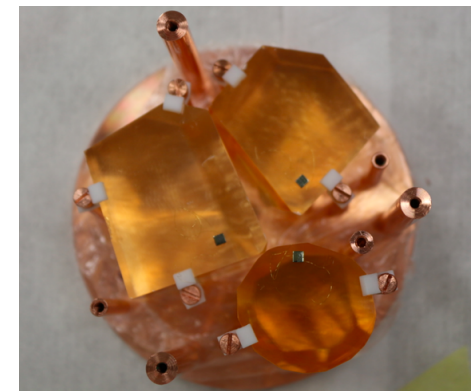
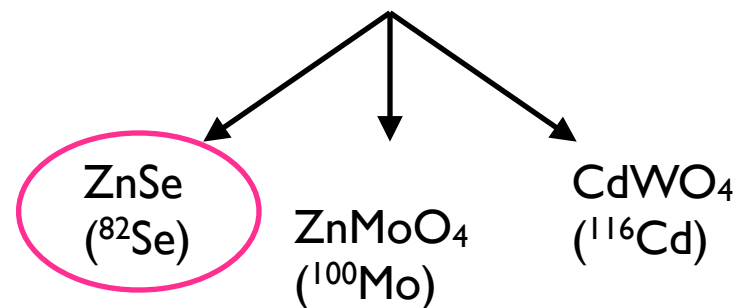
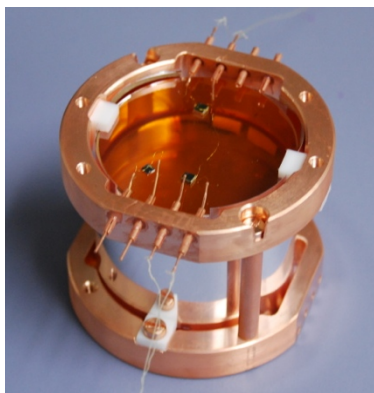


In ~one month of operations we can already surpass current limits on 0nDBD of ^{82}Se

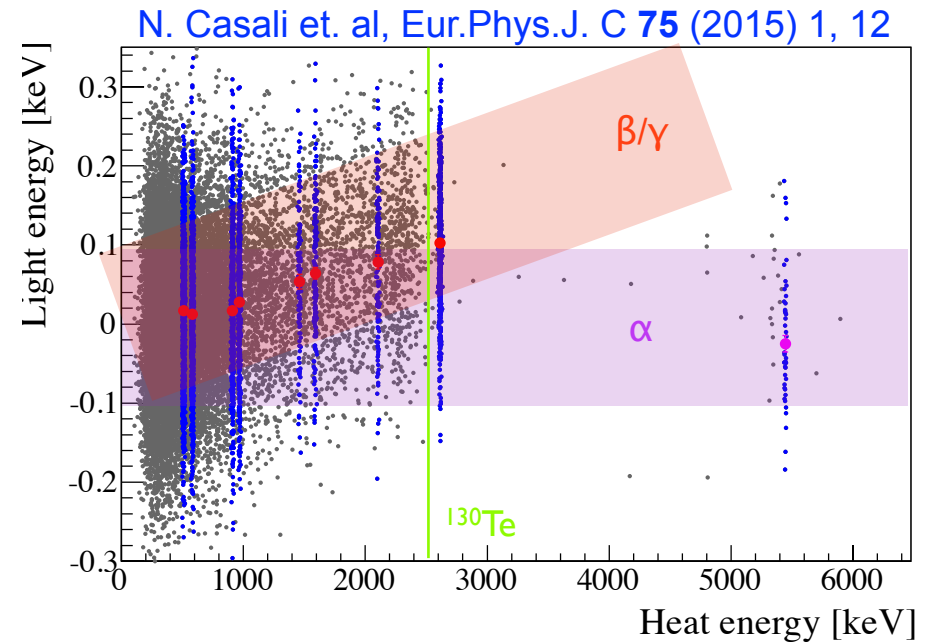
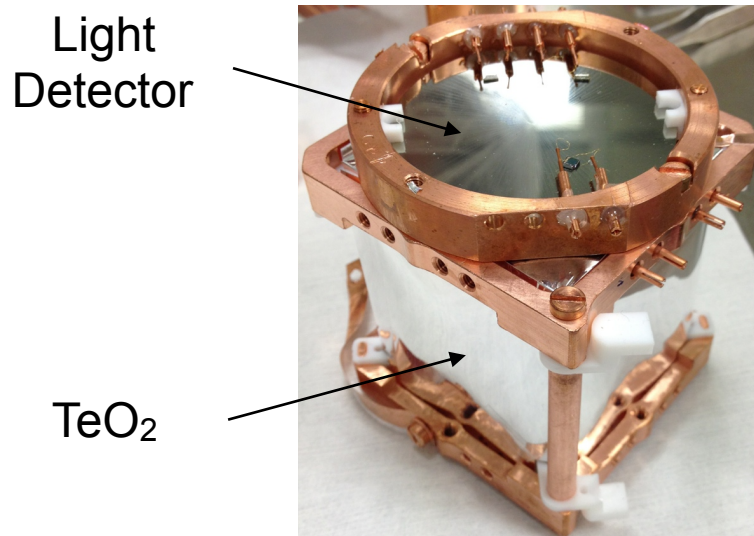
Many possibilities



Other emitters/crystals



TeO₂ + Cherenkov



CUORE TeO₂ feature **low light output** (~100 eV at $0\nu\beta\beta$ from Cherenkov emission)

Using a "standard" LD with noise of 80 eV RMS does not permit particle ID

A LD with noise **RMS < 20 eV** would allow to reject the dominant background (α)

Challenge: light detector

For a next generation project

- Baseline resolution <20 eV RMS
- Large active area (5x5 cm²)
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A lot of interest...

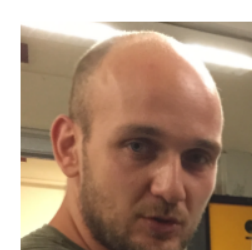
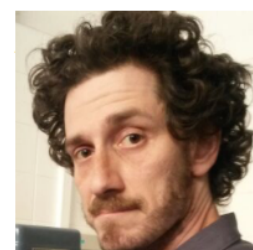
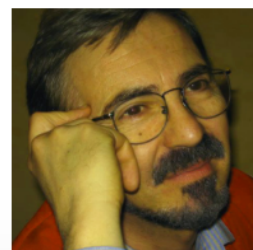
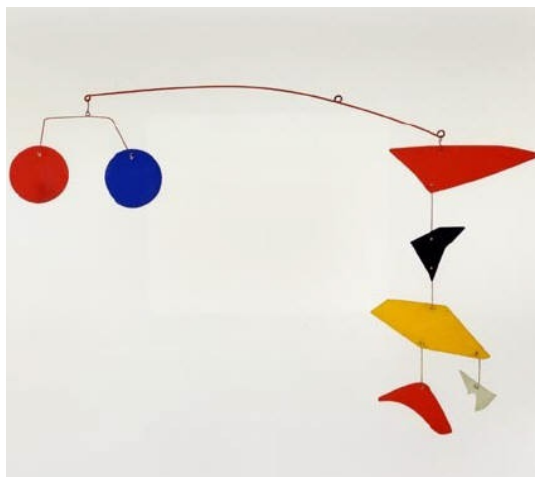
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K.Schaeffner et. al, Astropart.Phys. 69 (2015) 30-36
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and many others

But none of the existing technologies fulfills **all** these requirements (yet)



We propose a new technology

CALDER collaboration



CALDER public webpage:
<http://www.roma1.infn.it/exp/calder/>

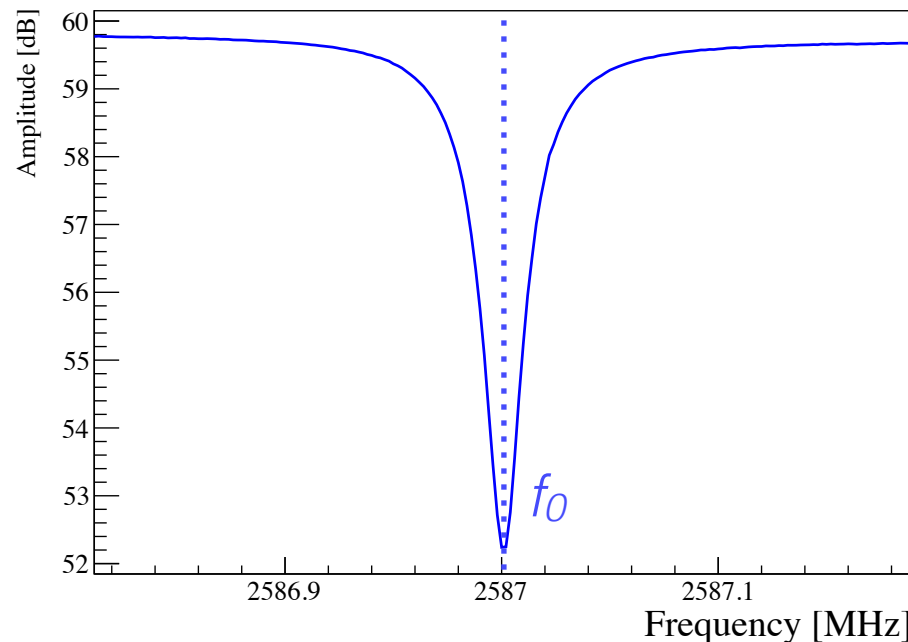
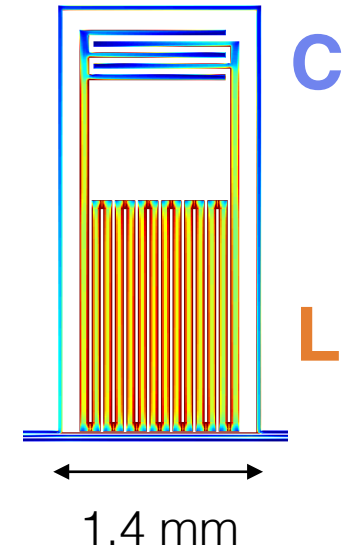


Mostly from INFN-Roma and Sapienza, coming from rare events searches sector
KIDs, cryogenic and electronics experts from astrophysics and SQUID
Other collaborators from Italian and (now) France institutions

Kinetic Inductance Detectors

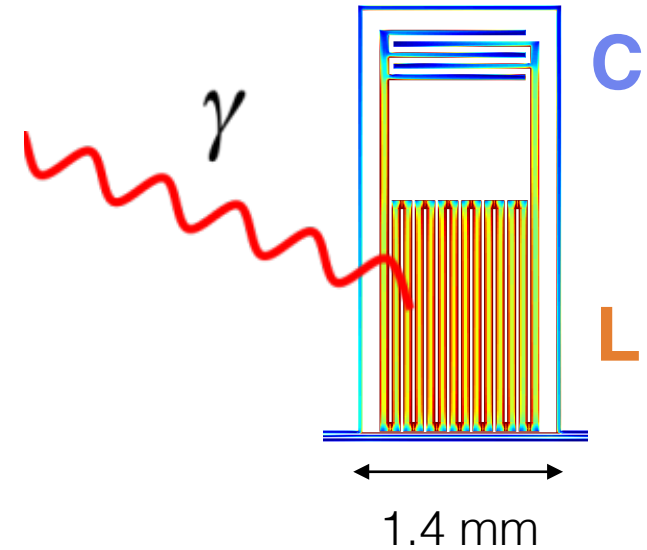
- Superconductors below T_c → Cooper Pairs + Quasi-particles
- AC current bias → Cooper Pairs acquire **kinetic inductance L**
- Insert in high merit factor RLC circuit ($Q \sim 10^4$ - 10^5)

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

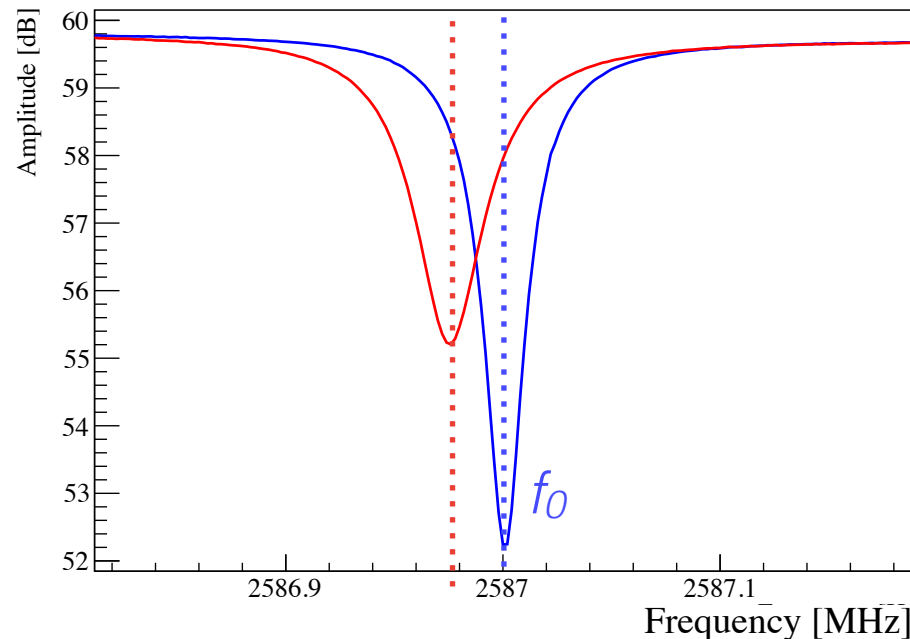


Kinetic Inductance Detectors

- The **photon** interaction breaks Cooper pairs
- The inductance **L changes**
- The resonance **shape and frequency change**



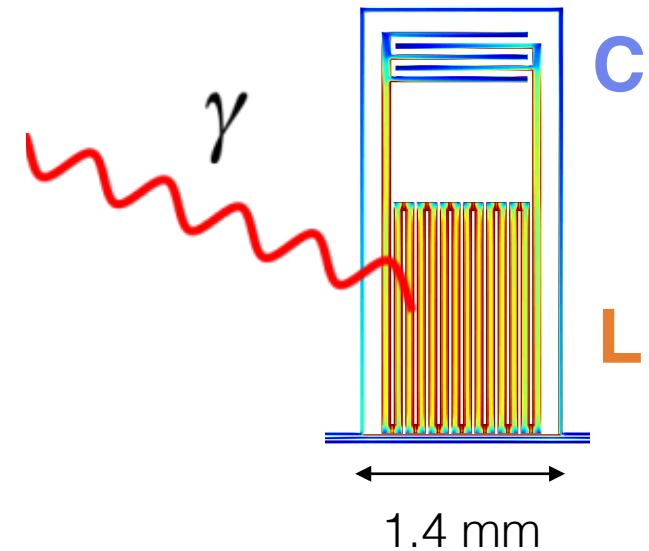
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Kinetic Inductance Detectors

Main advantages:

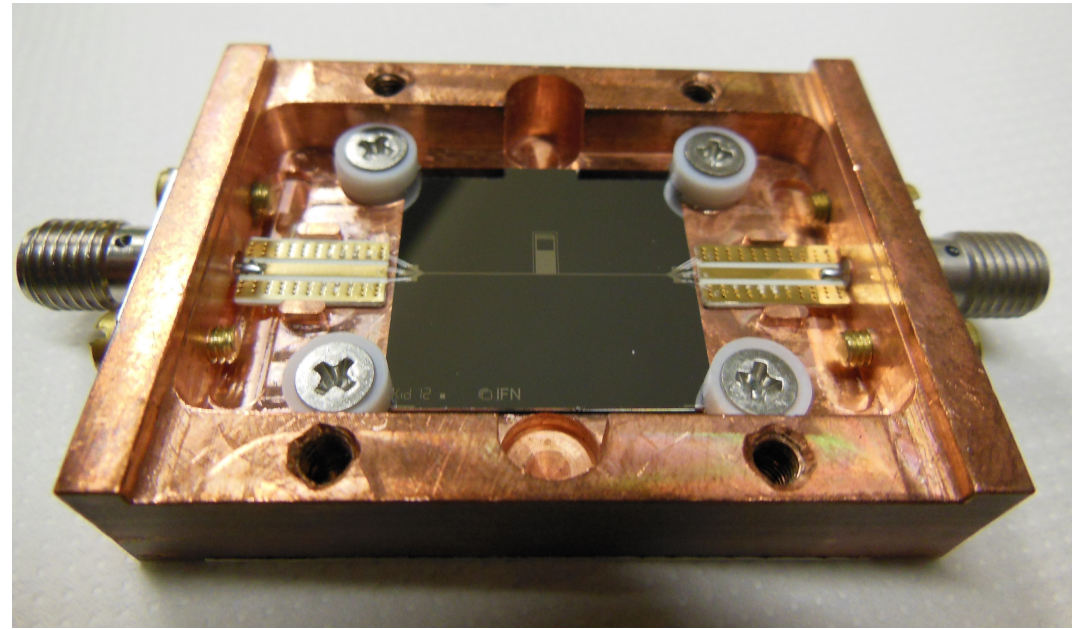
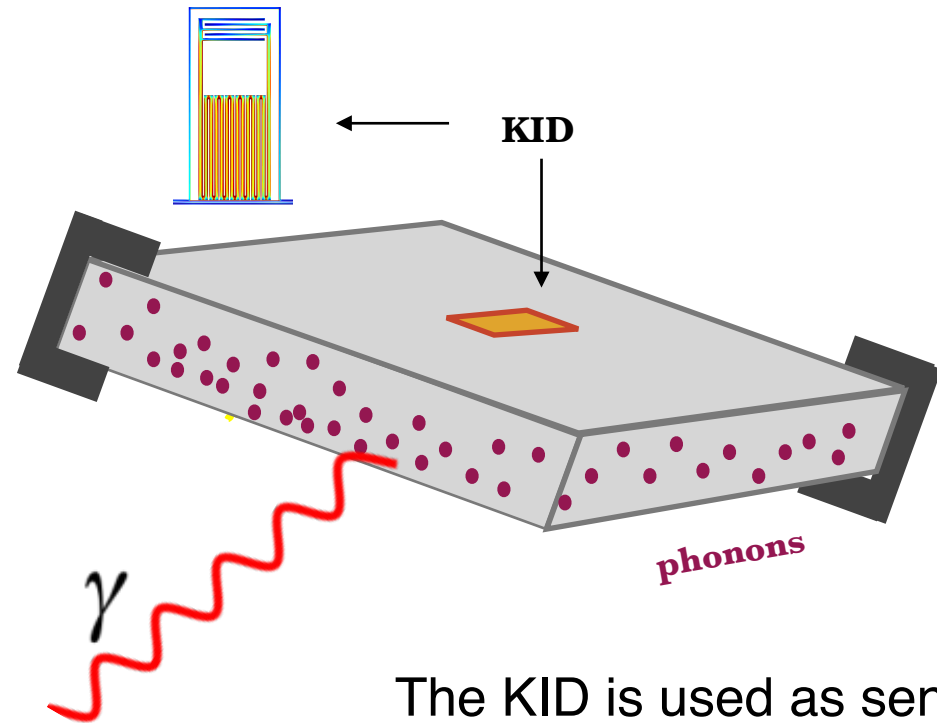
- Excellent sensitivity (baseline resolution $\sim \mathbf{eV}$) (< 20 eV)
- Natural **multiplexing** in frequency domain
- **Stable** behavior if operated well below T_c



BUT **poor active surface** (a few mm^2)

TARGET: $5 \times 5 \text{cm}^2$

Phonon Mediation



The KID is used as sensor on an insulating (Si) substrate

Photon interacts in substrate producing phonons, that can travel until they are absorbed by the KID.

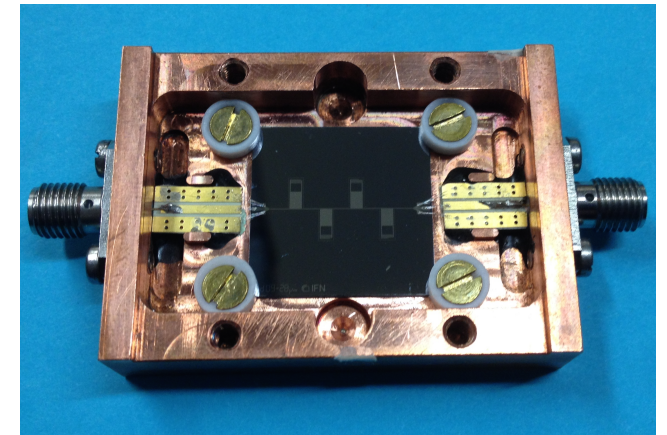
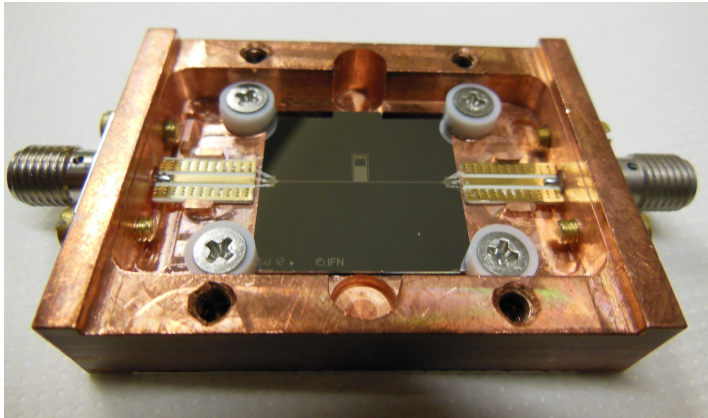
The **CALDER** project is developing a light detector based on this technology.

E.S Battistelli et. al, Eur.Phys.J. C75 (2015) 8, 353

CALDER

Cryogenic Wide-Area Light Detector with Excellent Resolution

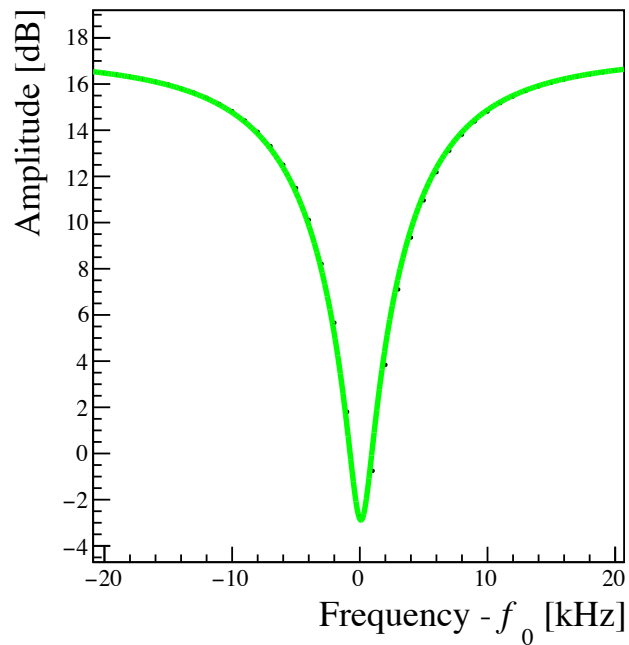
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3 main project phases

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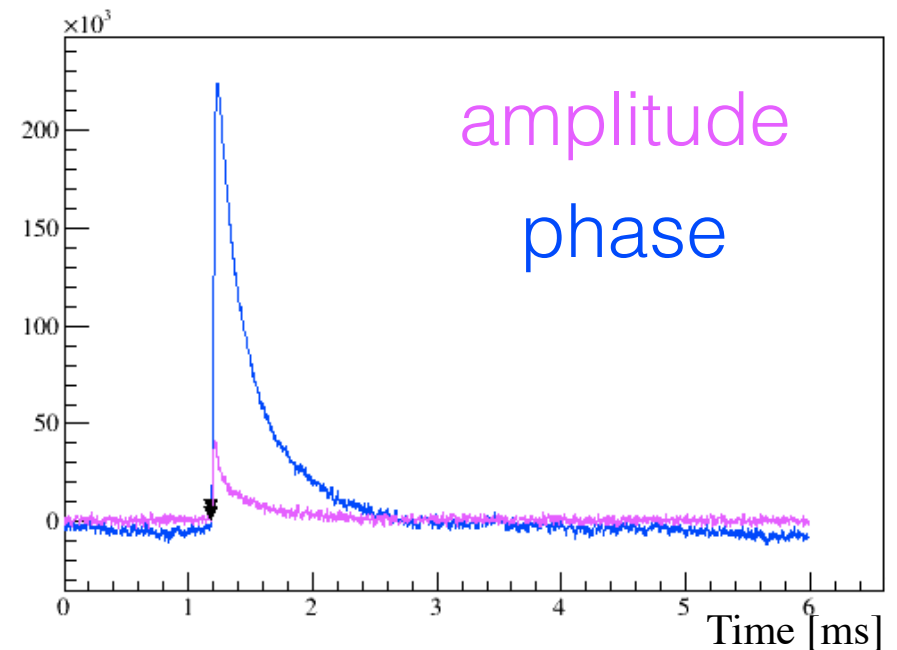
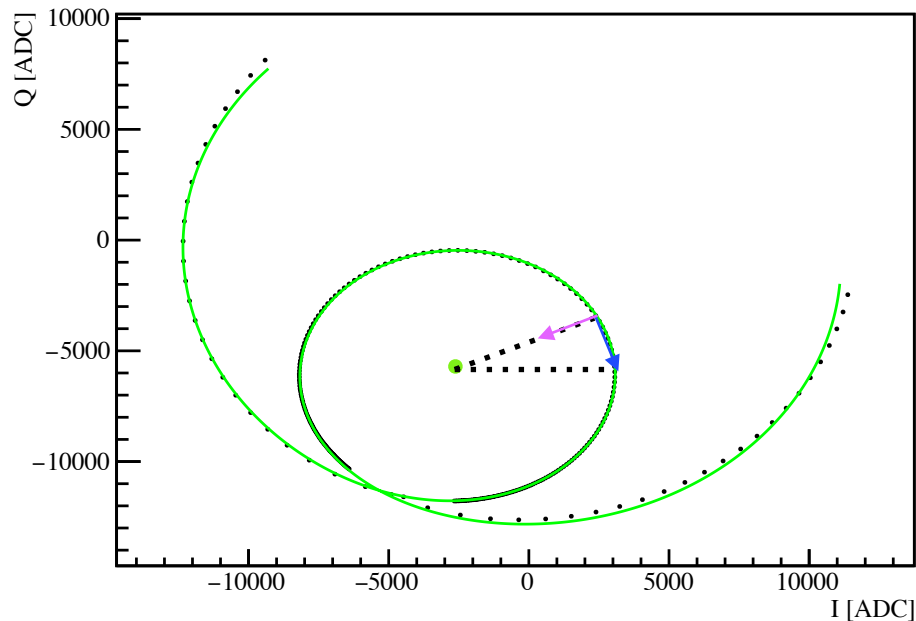
Photon Interaction



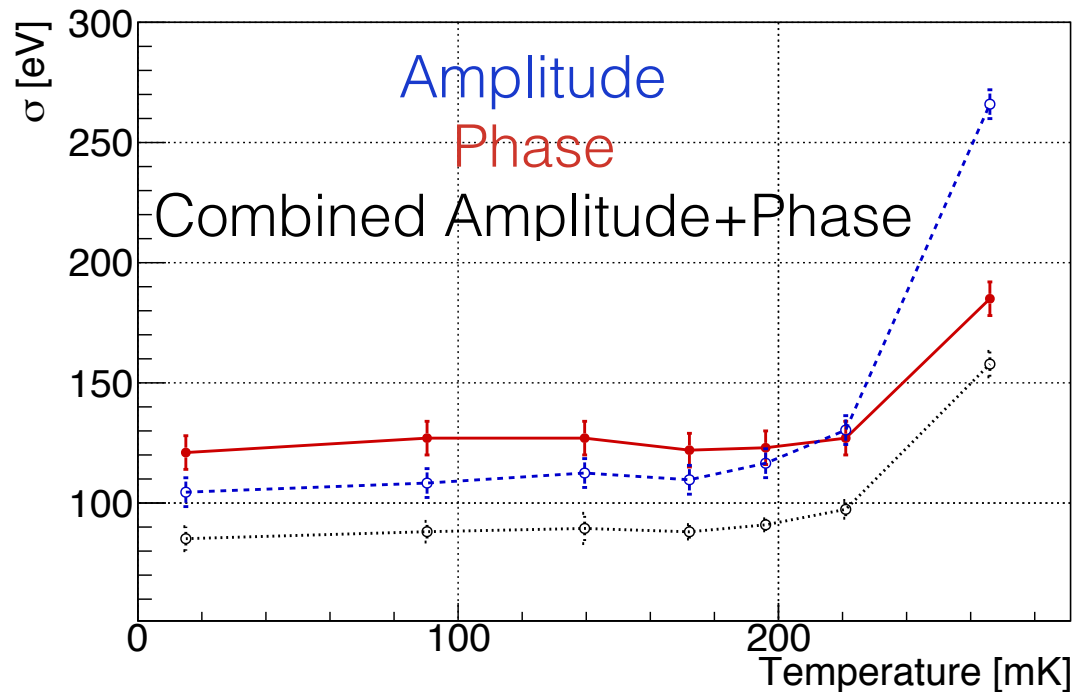
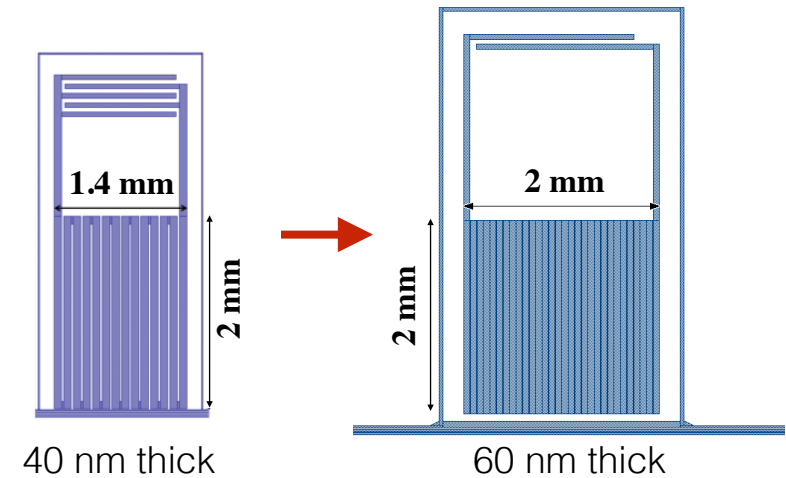
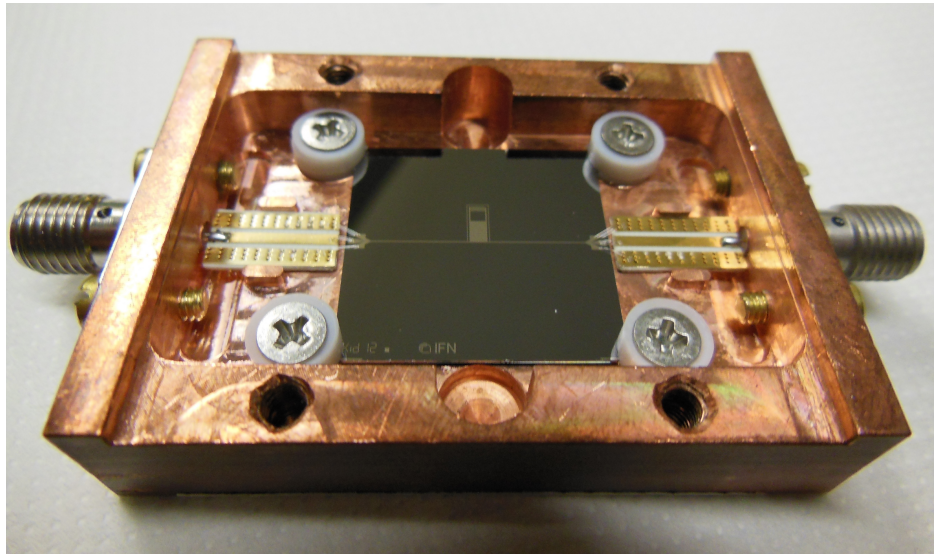
Frequency sweep to measure the transmission S_{21} past the resonator:

$$S_{21} = I + jQ$$

Sitting in the center of the resonance loop, we can monitor variations in I and Q (or amplitude/phase) produced by interactions



Detector Optimization



- Baseline resolution of **82 eV RMS**
- Resolution **constant up to 200 mK**

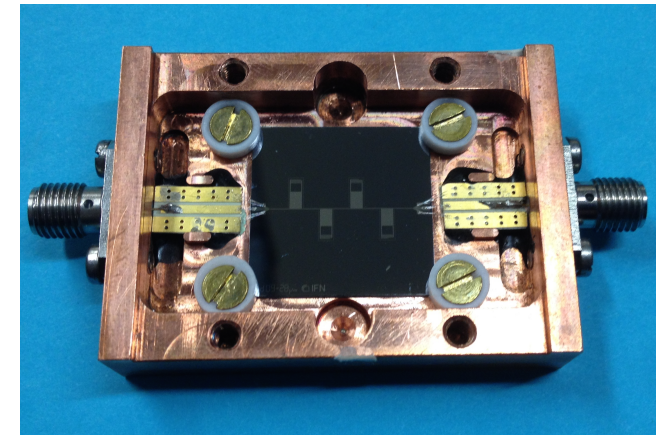
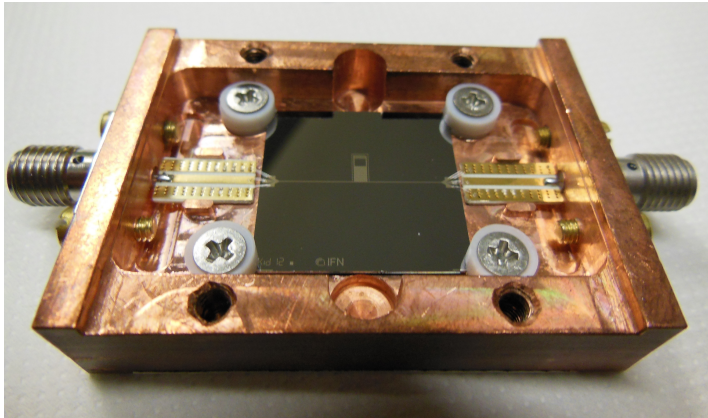
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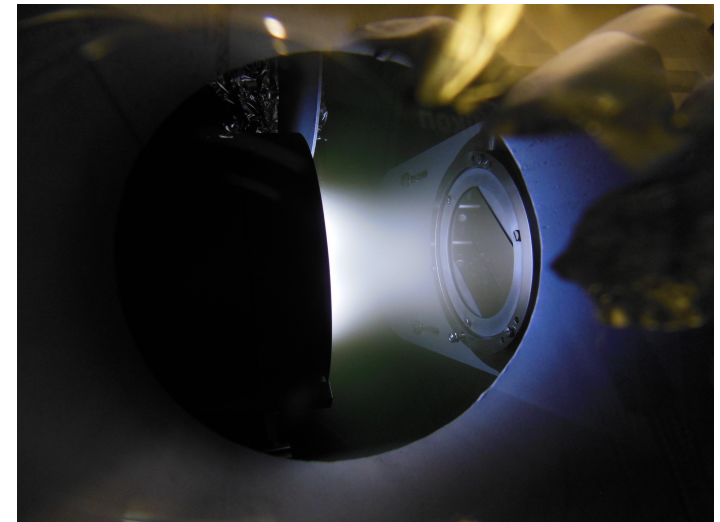
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Other Superconductors

Al does not allow to achieve the necessary sensitivity → other superconductors

$$\Delta E \propto \frac{T_C}{\epsilon \sqrt{QL}}$$

	Al	TiN sub- stoic.	Ti+TiN	TiAl
T _c [K]	1.2	0.5	0.5-0.8	0.6-0.9
L [pH/ square]	0.5	up to 50	6	1



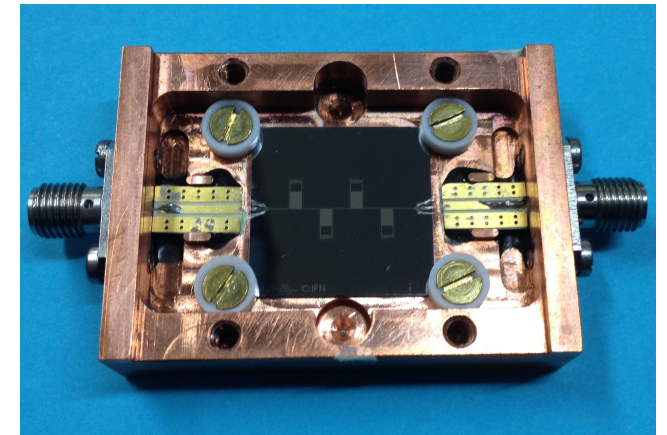
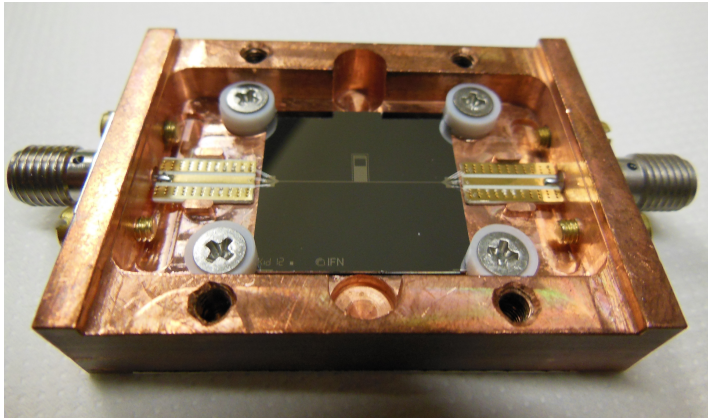
First tests on Ti-Al prototypes in collaboration with CSNSM (Orsay, France) and Institut Néel, CNRS (Grenoble, France)

Encouraging results: **30 eV RMS** reached (paper in preparation)

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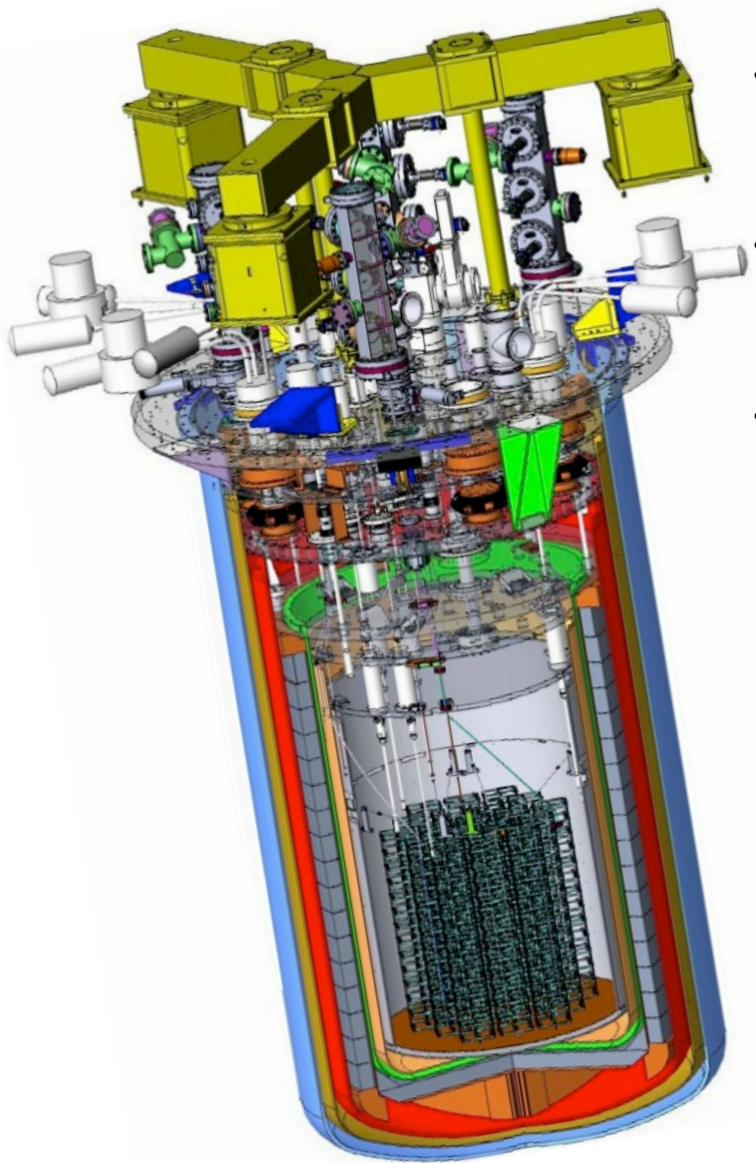
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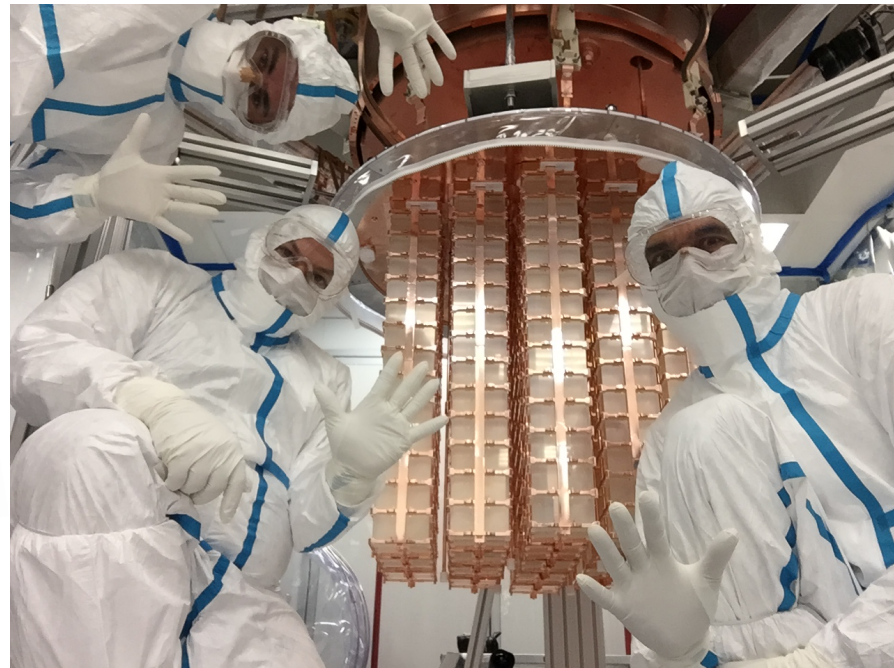
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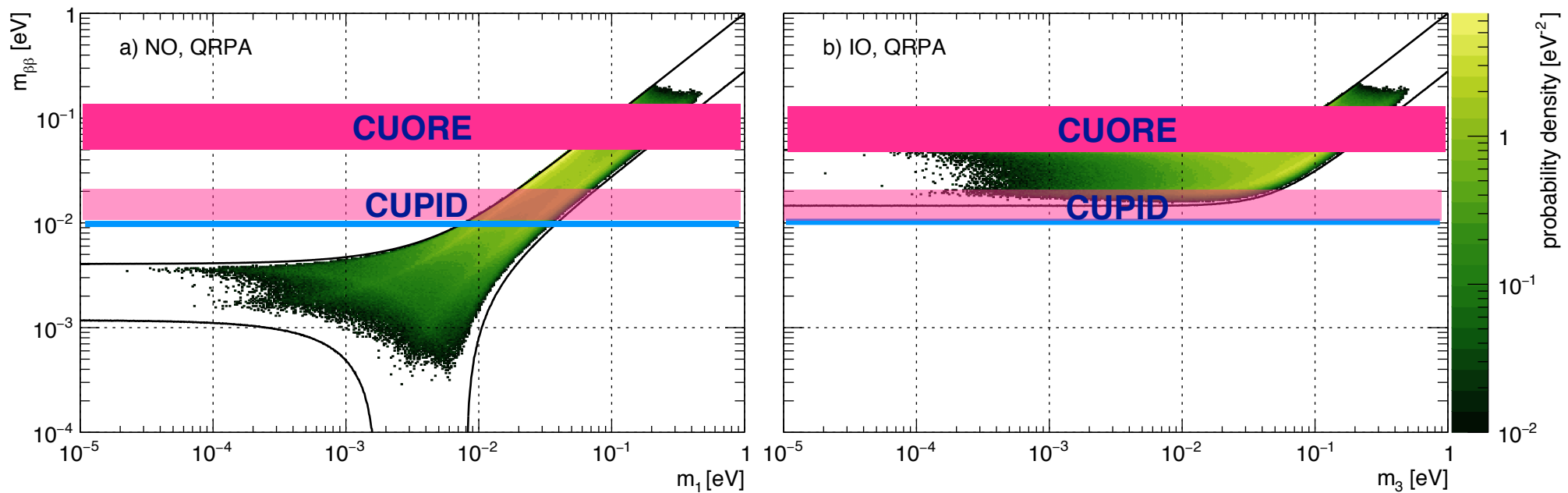
Summary and Conclusions



- **0nDBD** can be the key for **new physics** searches
- **CUORE** started data taking with 1 ton detector
- The success of this experiment is fundamental for all the **next generation** projects



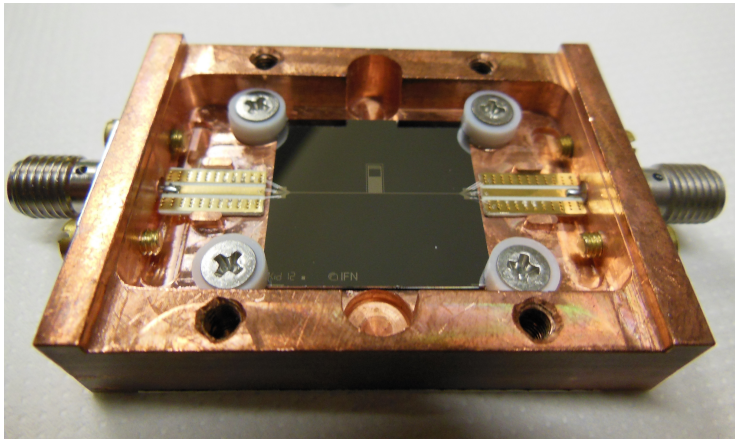
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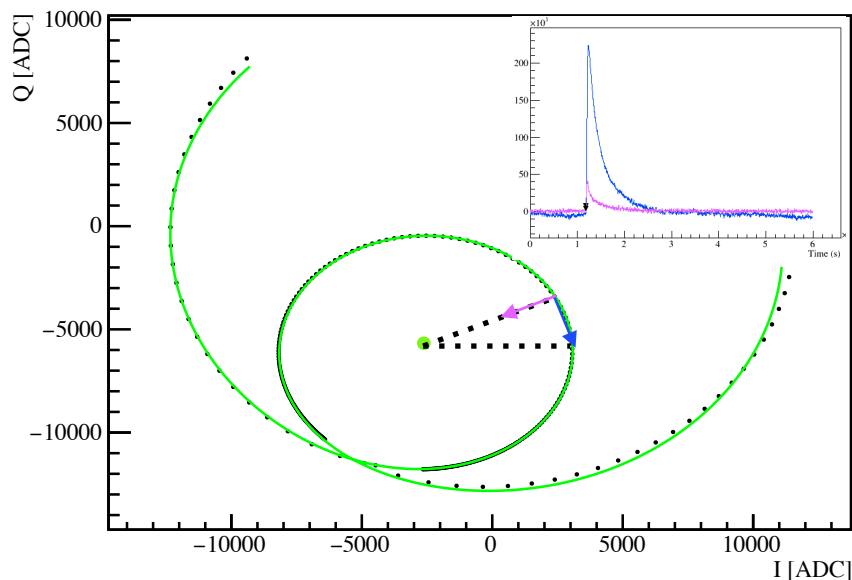
- CUPID will upgrade CUORE exploiting Particle Identification
- >95% discovery in the inverted hierarchy
- >50% discovery in the normal hierarchy region

Summary and Conclusions

CALDER: TeO_2 + new light detectors



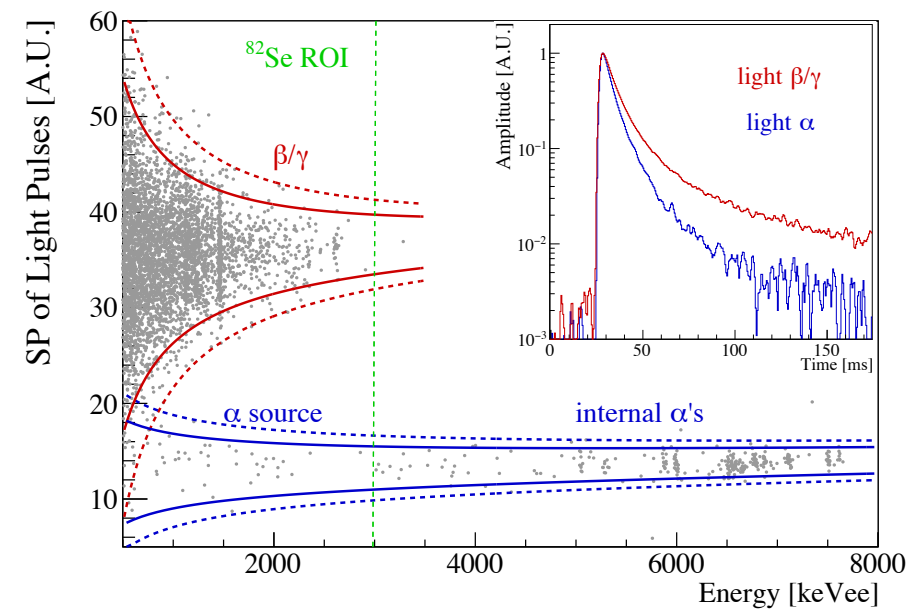
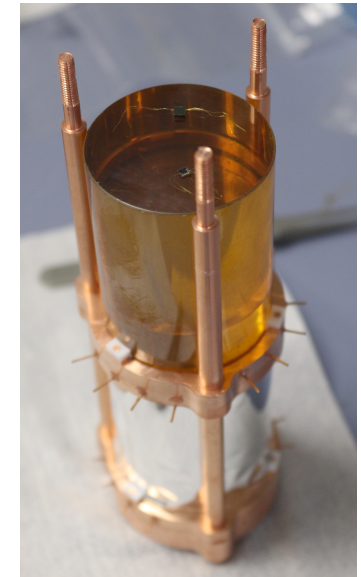
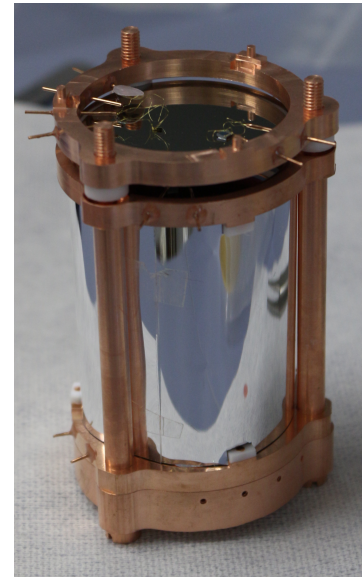
- Use **same CUORE detectors** (enriched in ^{130}Te)
- **Light Detectors** with energy resolution < 20 eV RMS
- With CALDER **30 eV RMS** reached using small light detectors
- Scale up the light detector size and final tuning of the resolution



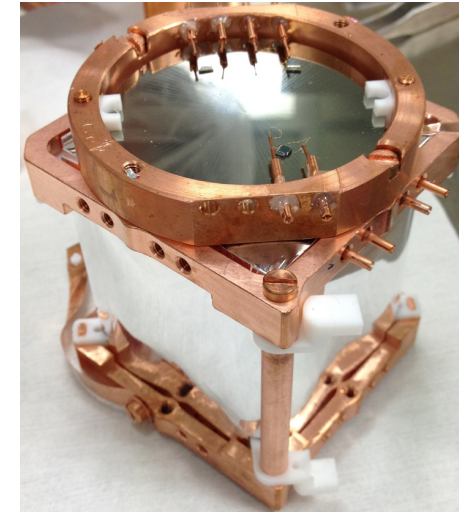
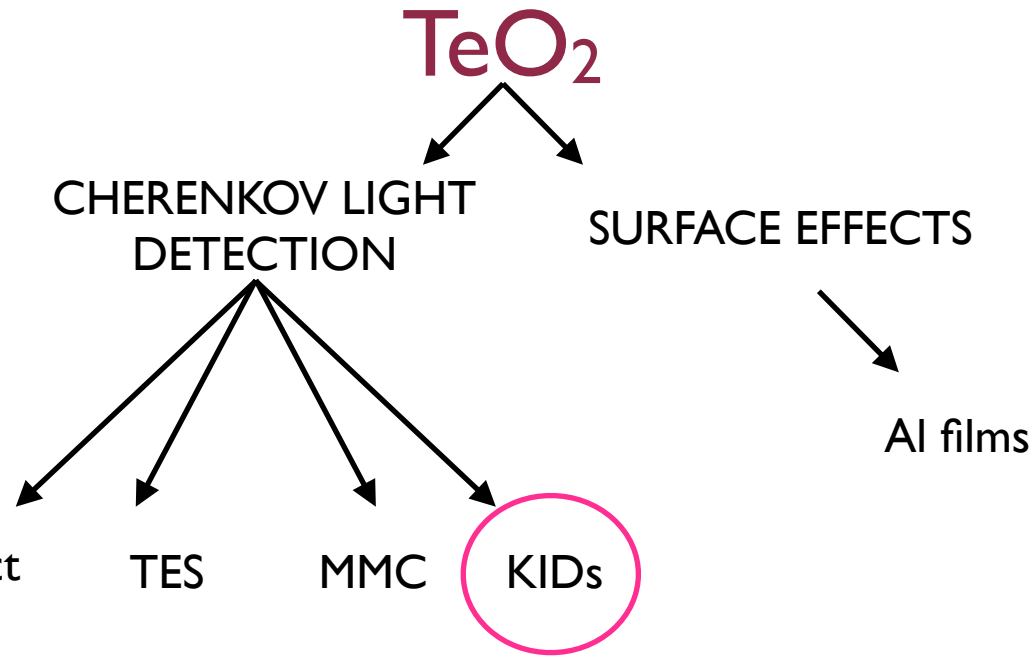
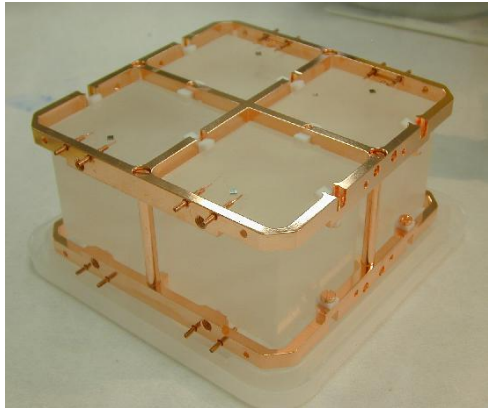
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CUPID-0: ZnSe + “std” light detectors

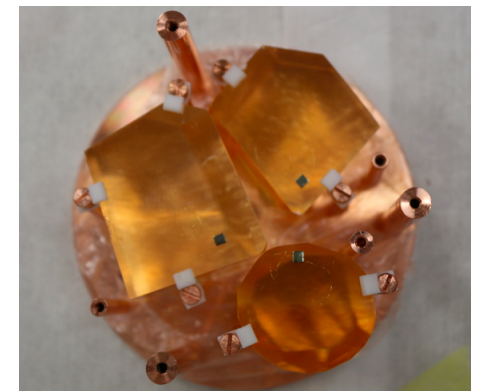
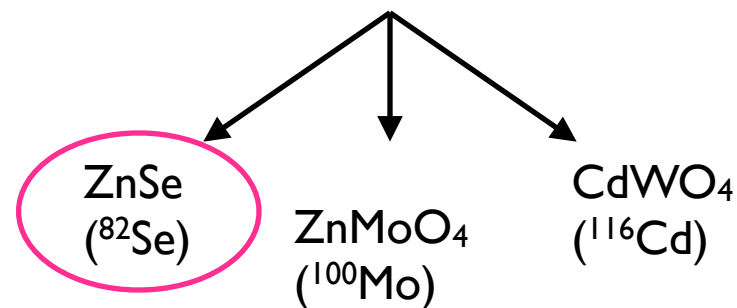
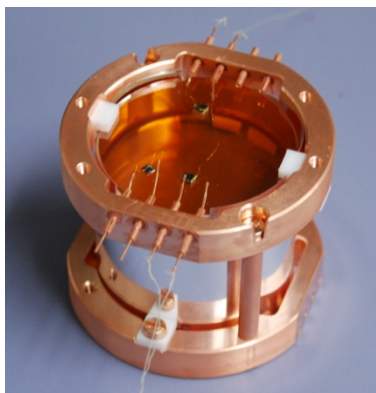
- Abandon TeO_2 in favor of **scintillating crystals** with **high Q-value** emitters
- Prove that this technology allows to **suppress the background** and reach high sensitivity
- First medium scale prototype 10 kg **ZnSe: CUPID-0**



Soon a down selection



Other emitters/crystals



Zero Background Approach

$$S^{bkg} \propto \varepsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} \sqrt{\frac{MT}{B\Delta E}} [y]$$

the detection technique:

- ε = detector efficiency
- M = detector mass [kg]
- T = measurement time [y]
- ΔE = energy resolution [keV]
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the $0\nu\beta\beta$ emitter:

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Zero Background Approach

$$S^{bkg} \propto \varepsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} \sqrt{\frac{MT}{B\Delta E}} [y] \quad \Rightarrow \quad S^{0bkg} \propto \varepsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} MT [y]$$

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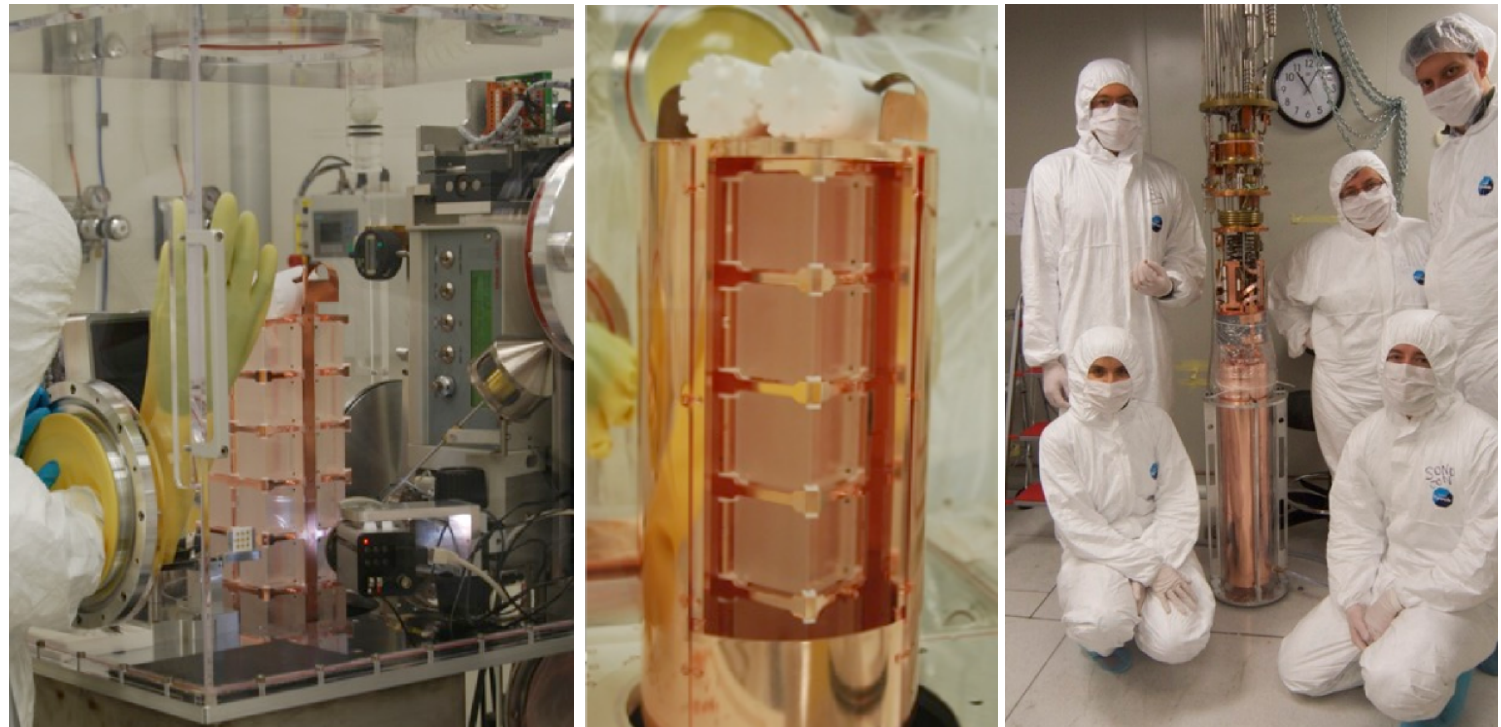
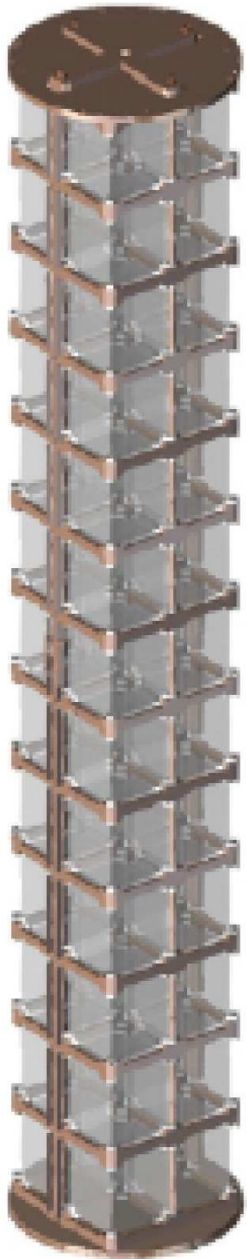
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S increases linearly with MT

Background Study: CUORE-0

During CUORE construction, we run a CUORE-like tower: CUORE-0



Result of an R&D activity of several years to **suppress the background**

Proved that CUORE can reach the background and resolution target

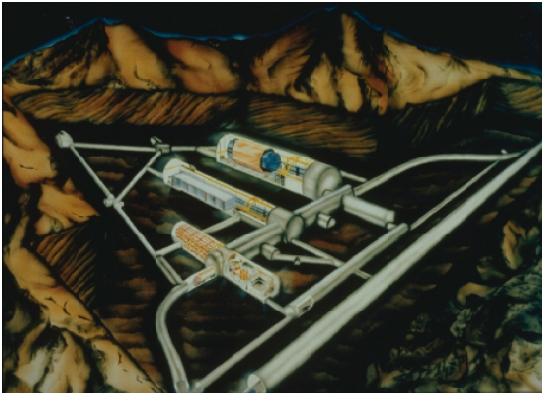
But still far from the zero background: **200 counts/ROI** expected

Background suppression

Nowadays, all the detectors devoted to rare events searches are located in deep underground facilities



All the detectors described in the next slides were measured in the
LNGS
(Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso, Italy)
3650 m.w.e.



muon flux: $(2.58 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-8} \mu/(s \text{ cm}^2)$

Mei and Hime, Phys. Rev. D 73, 053004, 2006 [astro-ph 0512125]

neutron flux [$<10\text{MeV}$] : $\approx 4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ n}/(s \text{ cm}^2)$

F.Arneodo et al., Il Nuovo Cim. 112A, 819, 1999

gamma flux: $\approx 0.73 \gamma/(s \text{ cm}^2)$

C. Bucci et al., Eur. Phys. J.A, 41, 155-168, 2009

○ detectors equipped with proper shields (water, lead...) and vetoes

→ the ultimate limit to the background suppression may become the *detector* itself

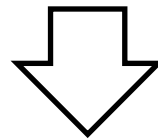
Crystal choice

The 1σ sensitivity on $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle$ was calculated with the Feldman Cousins approach for 5 y live time with a background of 10^{-3} counts/keV/kg/y and an energy resolution of 5 keV.

Emitter	Bolometer	Active mass	Active mass [kg]	1σ sensitivity on $m_{\beta\beta}$
^{82}Se	ZnSe	56%	17.3	52-65
^{100}Mo	ZnMoO ₄	44%	11.3	67-73
^{116}Cd	CdWO ₄	32%	15.1	65-80



Assuming a total experimental volume of 6000 cm³ and an isotopic enrichment of 95%.



ZnSe as baseline choice

R&D on ZnMoO₄ as possible alternative