

Calibration sources for SABRE PoP

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Calibration source

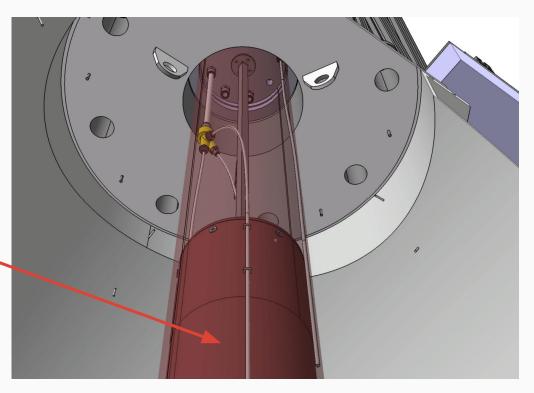
The most favourable positioning is at a height corresponding to the center of the crystal. Extra feedthrough should be added to the top flange with a teflon tube running between the CIS copper tube and the enclosure (space: 5 mm).

Possible sources:

- ²⁴¹Am 13, 17, 20, 26, 59 keV x-rays/gamma
- ⁵⁷Co 7, 14, 122 keV x-rays/gamma
- ¹⁰⁹Cd 22, 24, 88 keV x-rays/gamma
- ²²⁸Th several high energy gammas

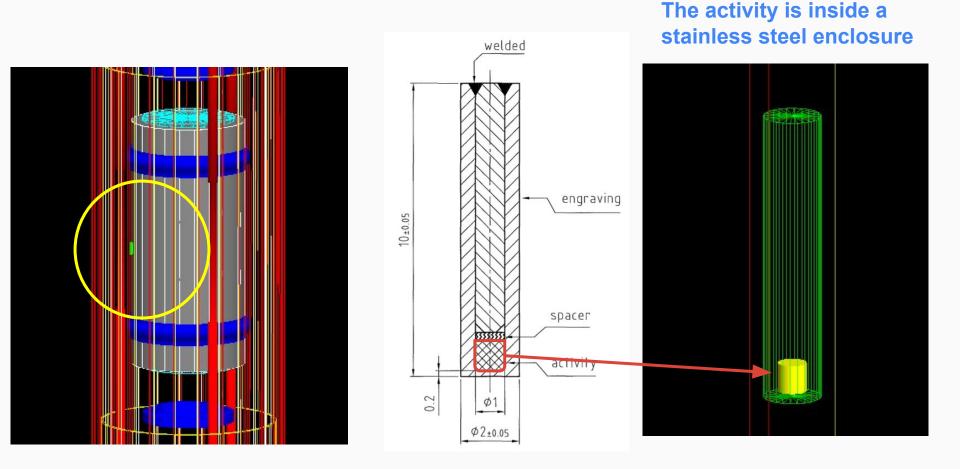
Source mounted on a wire that can be inserted in a teflon tube (connected to the top flange), the lenght of the wire will fix the position of the source

Maximum diameter of the source 2 mm



Source simulations

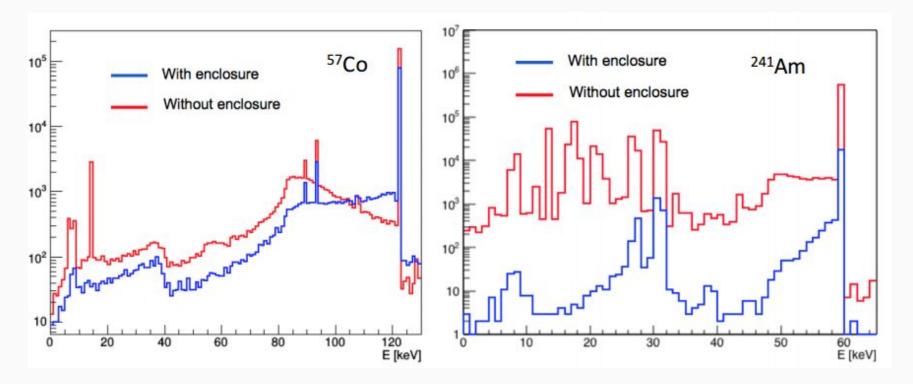
- Calibration source with realistic dimensions positioned outside the copper enclosure (not visible in the figure) between the enclosure and the copper CIS tube
- Central positioning wrt the crystal
- Study of the spectrum and evaluation of the required activity



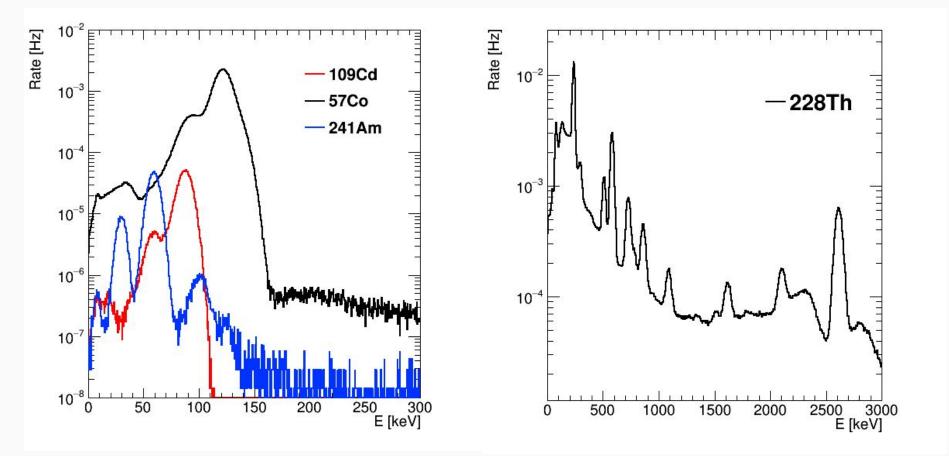
Effect of the enclosure

- The source stainless steel enclosure gives a neglegible attenuation
- We have investigated the effect of the copper enclosure on the calibration source spectrum
- The copper enclosure absorbs X-rays/gammas below ~30 keV
 - No calibration at very low energies

241Am: Copper enclosure absorbs the lines at 13, 17 and 20 keV

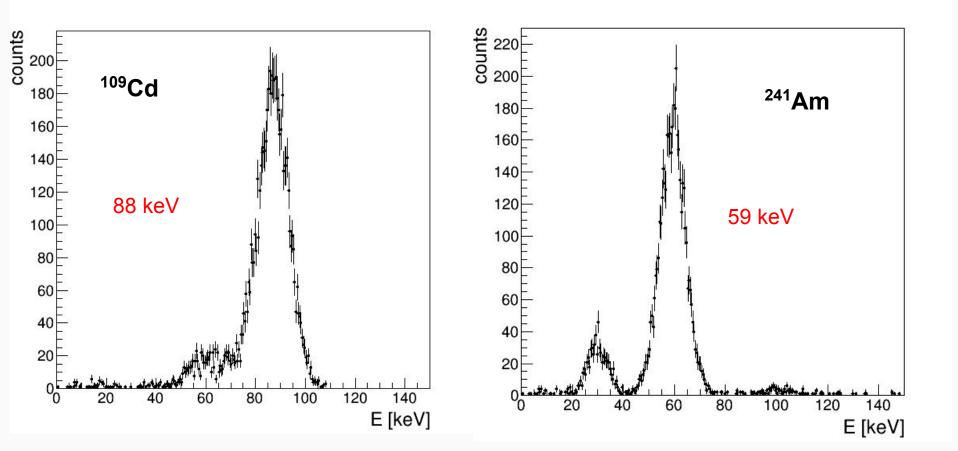


Source spectrum in the crystal



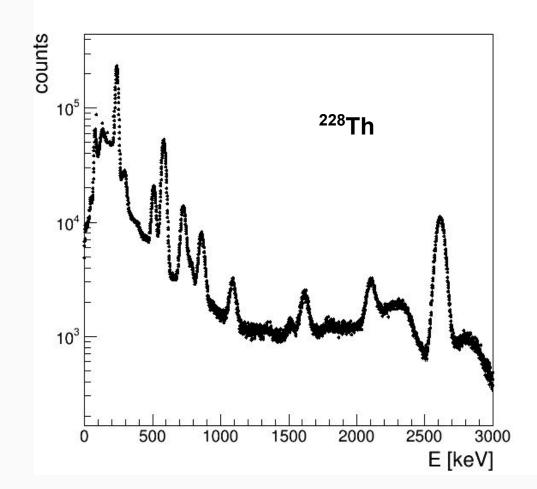
Low energy calibration

- 1 kBq source
- ~ 1 hour of data taking
- 2%/sqrt(E) energy resolution



High energy calibration

- 1 kBq source
- ~ 1 hour of data taking
- 2%/sqrt(E) energy resolution



Summary

- The CIS has been designed in order to insert a calibration source in the 5mm space between the enclosure and the copper tube
- Different radionuclides available: 57Co, 241Am, 109Cd and 228Th
- The copper enclosure absorbs all the x-rays/gamma below ~30 keV
- No calibration at very low energies (ok for PoP)
- Sources will be produced by Eckert & Ziegler
- INFN Roma has received an offer for 3 sources from the italian distributor
- Source production takes ~3 months
- With 1 kBq activity we can obtain enough statistics in a few hours