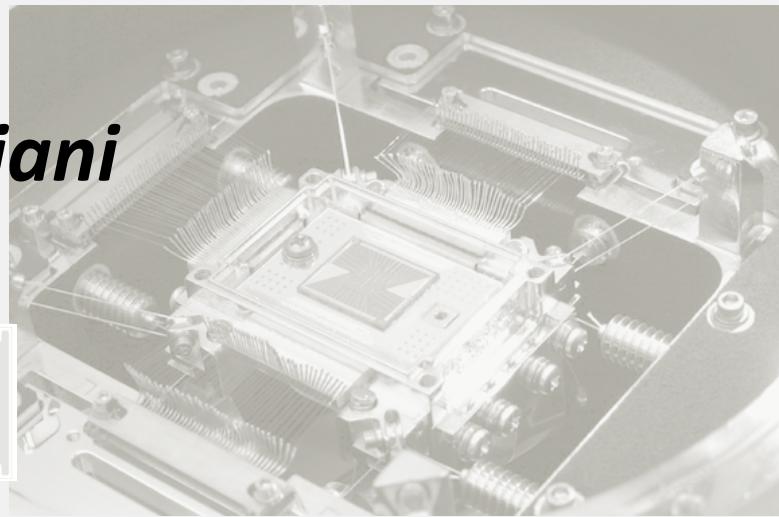
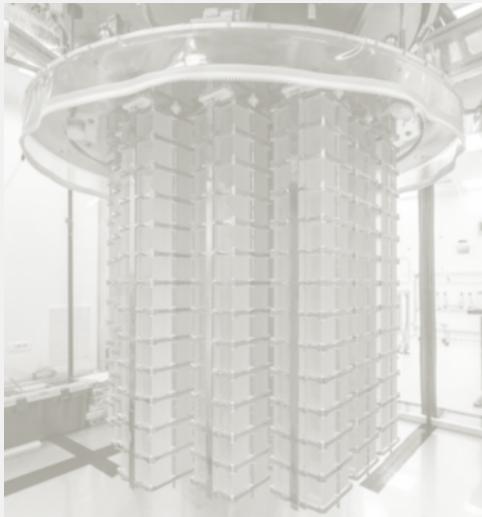
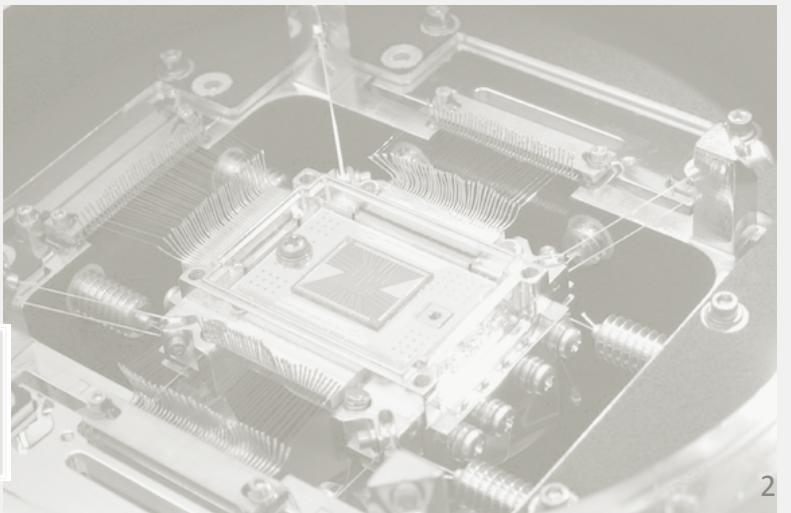
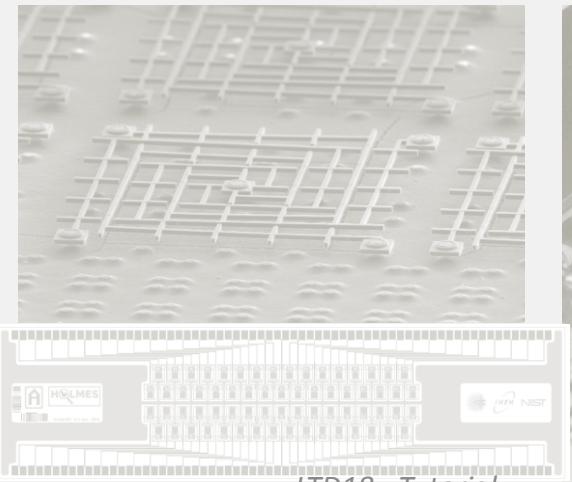
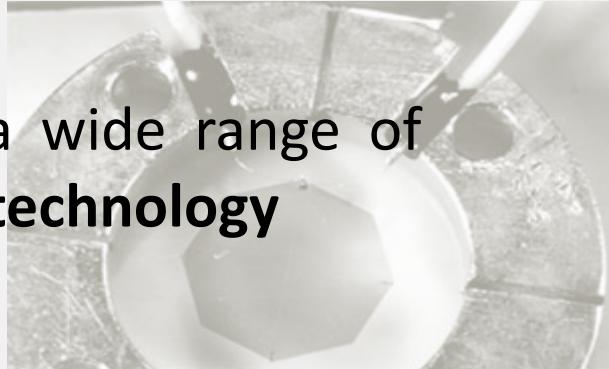
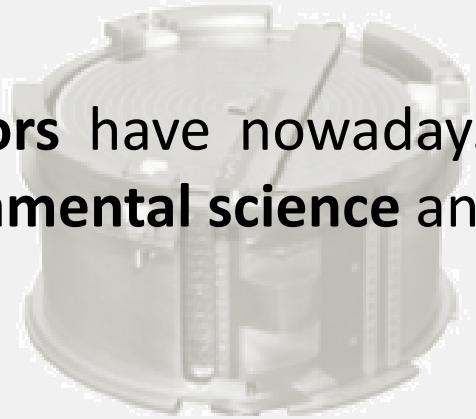
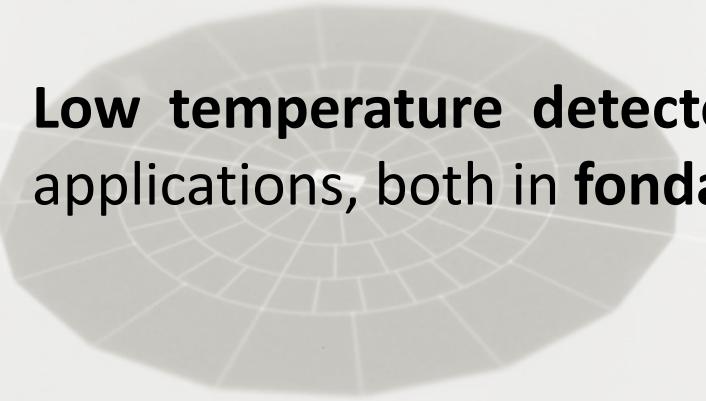


Applications of low temperature detectors



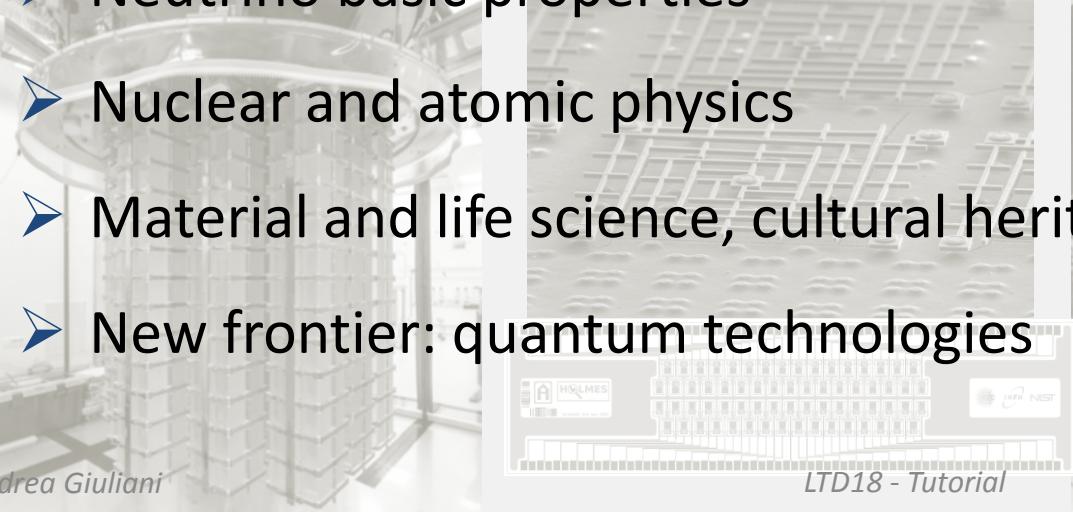
July 22nd, 2019
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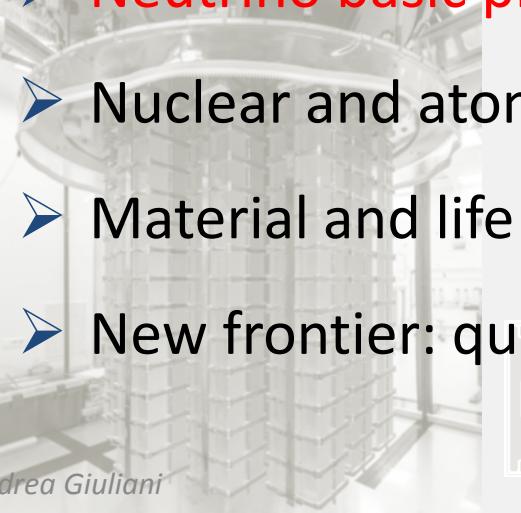
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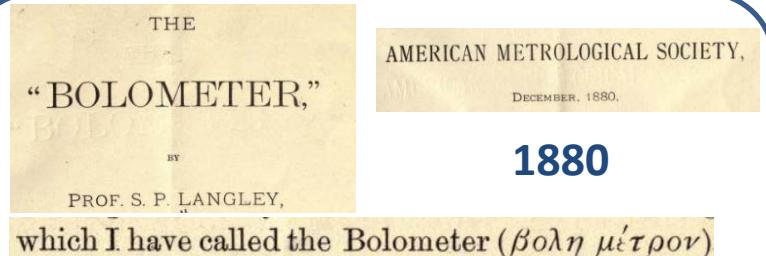
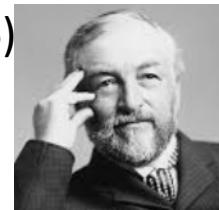
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The deep roots of bolometry are in astronomy

Samuel P. Langley (1834 – 1906)

was an American astronomer,
physicist, inventor of the
bolometer

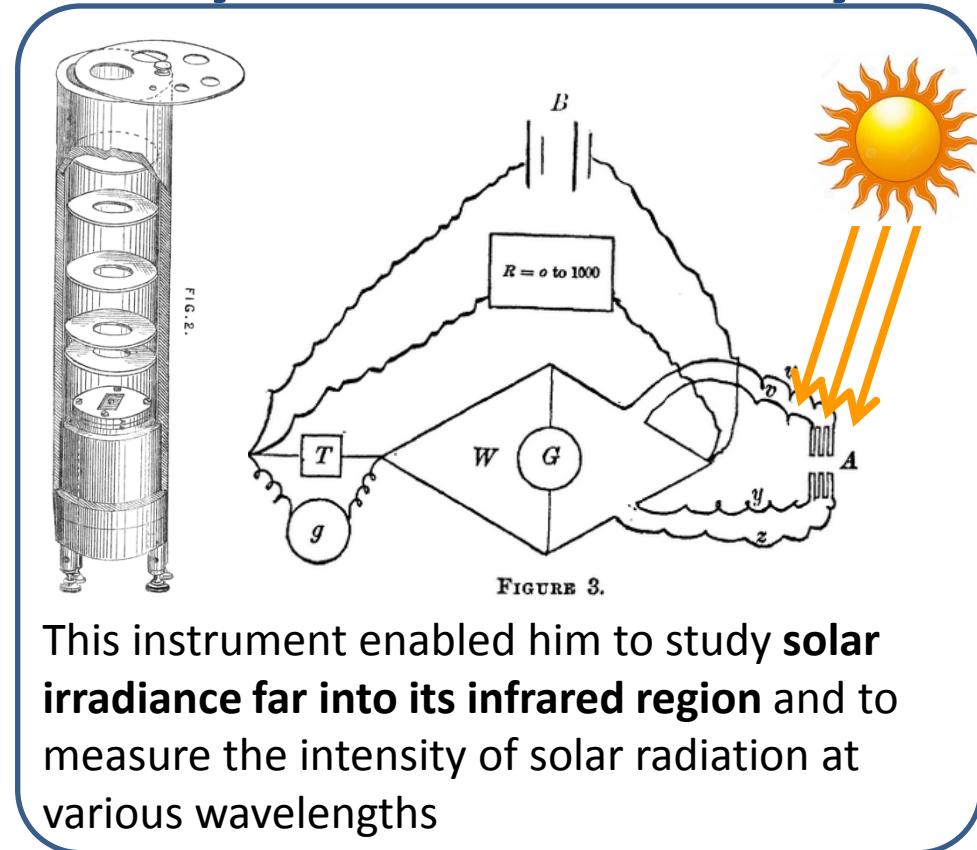


S. Langley, The bolometer

Nature, 25, 14-16, 1882

The radiation absorber was a thin iron strip inserted in a Wheatstones's bridge

→ Sensitive to $\Delta T \sim 10^{-5}$ K



This instrument enabled him to study **solar irradiance far into its infrared region** and to measure the intensity of solar radiation at various wavelengths

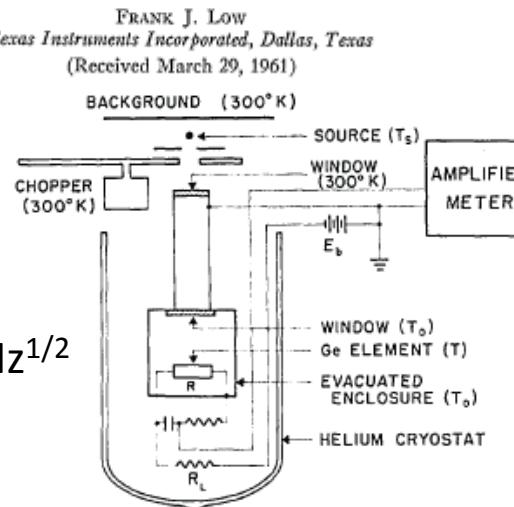
The advantage of cooling down: the LTD era

Franck Low develops a bolometer based on a **Ge:Ga thermistor**, cooled at **2 K**
 Journal of the Optical Society of America
 Vol. 51, Issue 11, pp. 1300-1304 (1961)

Low-Temperature Germanium Bolometer



NEP
 $\sim 10^{-12} \text{ W/Hz}^{1/2}$

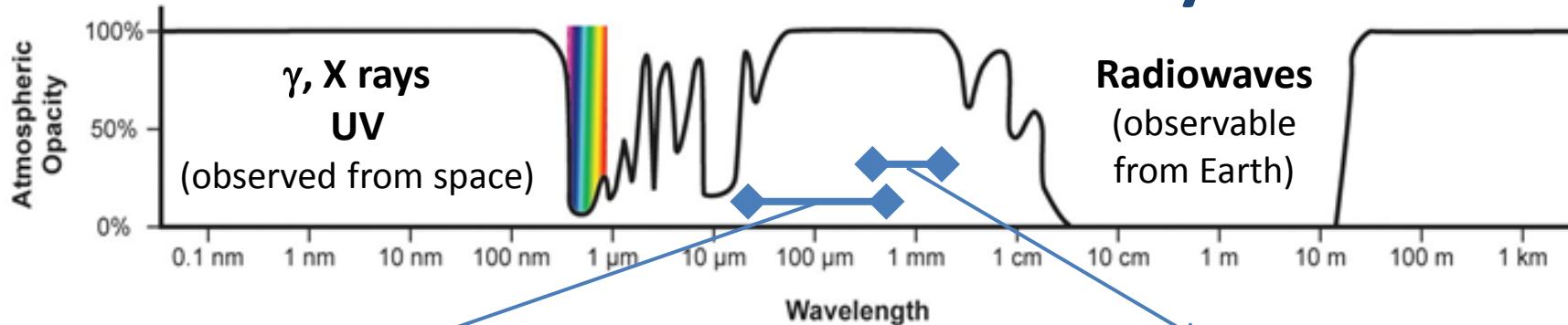


To avoid IR absorption in lower atmosphere, instruments were placed in aircrafts

Major discoveries in **IR astronomy**:

- Orion Nebula
- IR Cosmic Background
- IR galaxies
- Jupiter and Saturn → internal source of energy

The mm and sub-mm astronomy: science



Far InfraRed (FIR) / sub-mm astronomy

Wavelength range: $50 \mu\text{m} - 850 \mu\text{m}$

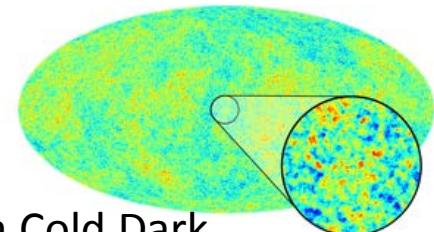
- Galaxy formation in the early universe
- Evolution of galaxies
- Star formation
- Chemical composition of atmospheres and surfaces of Solar System bodies
- Molecular chemistry across the universe

mm astronomy

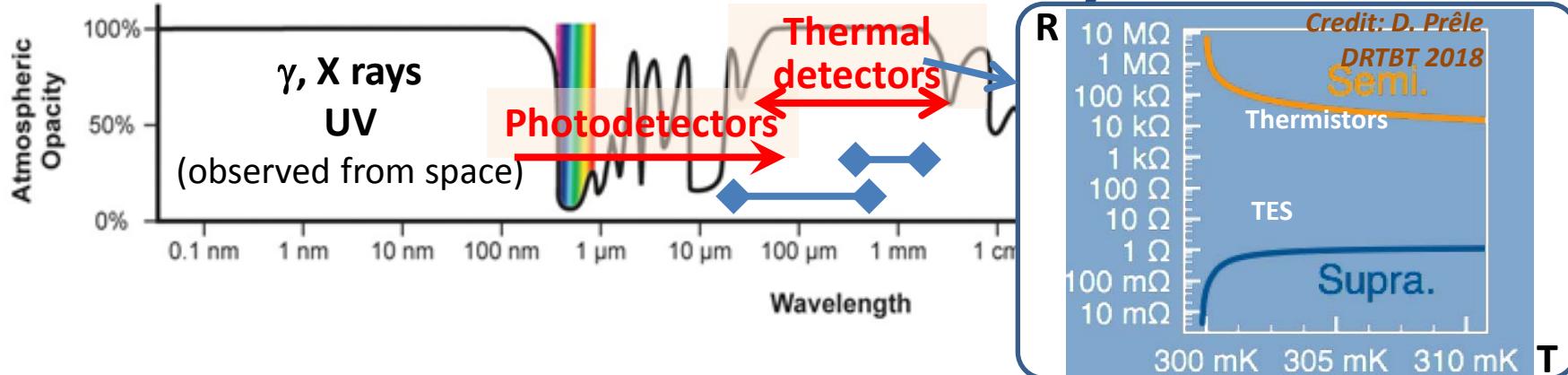
CMB: $dE/d\lambda$ peaks at $\lambda = 1.063 \text{ mm}$

Strong support for:

- the Big Bang model in general
- the Λ CDM ("Lambda Cold Dark Matter") model in particular



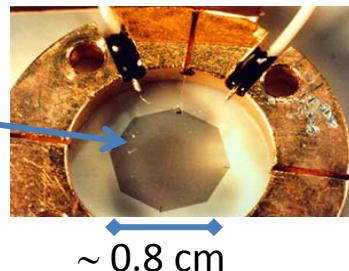
The mm and sub-mm astronomy: instruments



COBE mission (1989-1993) – Demonstrates that CMB has a near-perfect black-body spectrum

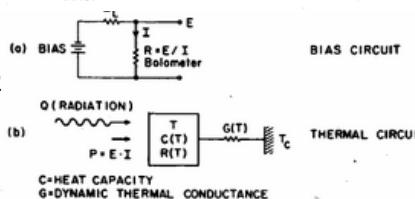
FIRAS [0.1 – 10 mm] – Michelson interferometer with **four bolometric detectors** John Mather

- Composite bolometer
- Absorber: diamond with Cr-Au film
- Si-doped sensor



$$\begin{aligned} T &\sim 1.6 - 1.7 \text{ K} \\ \text{NEP} &\sim 4 \times 10^{-15} \text{ W/Hz}^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Bolometer noise: nonequilibrium theory
Applied Optics 21(6):1125-9 · March 1982
John C. Mather



The mm and sub-mm astronomy: instruments

RECENT PAST

Far InfraRed (FIR) / sub-mm astronomy

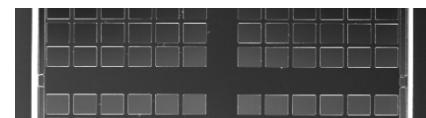
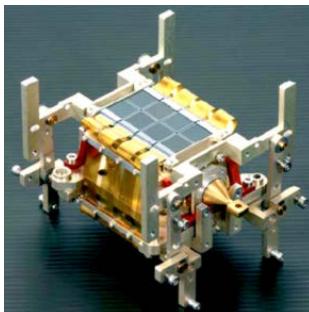
Herschel (2009-2013) -The largest, most powerful infrared telescope ever flown in space

PACS instrument

Two filled Si:P:B bolometer arrays:
 32x16 (“red”) and 64x32 (“blue, green”) pixels

$T \sim 0.3 \text{ K}$

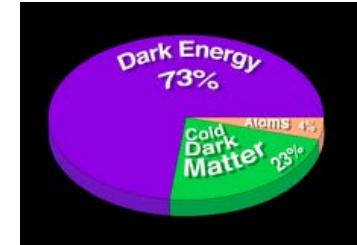
$\text{NEP} \sim \text{a few} \times 10^{-17} \text{ W/Hz}^{1/2}$



mm astronomy

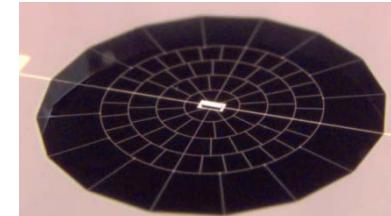
Planck (2009-2013)

Space observatory that provided the most precise measurements of several key cosmological parameters



High Frequency Instrument (HFI)

52 spider-web
 bolometers based on
 NTD Ge thermistors
 $T \sim 0.1 \text{ K}$



The mm and sub-mm astronomy: instruments

CURRENT EFFORTS

Far InfraRed (FIR) / sub-mm astronomy

SPICA –Final selection mid 2021

Launch in ~ **2032**

3 instruments

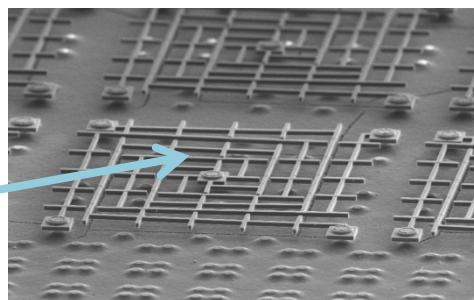
- SMI (Mid-IR)
- Safari (Spectrometer, FIR)
- **Safari-Pol: imaging polarimeter in FIR**

Si doped thermistor
technology

T ~ 0.05 K

NEP ~ 10^{-18} W/Hz $^{1/2}$

Each pixel is intrinsically
sensitive to polarization



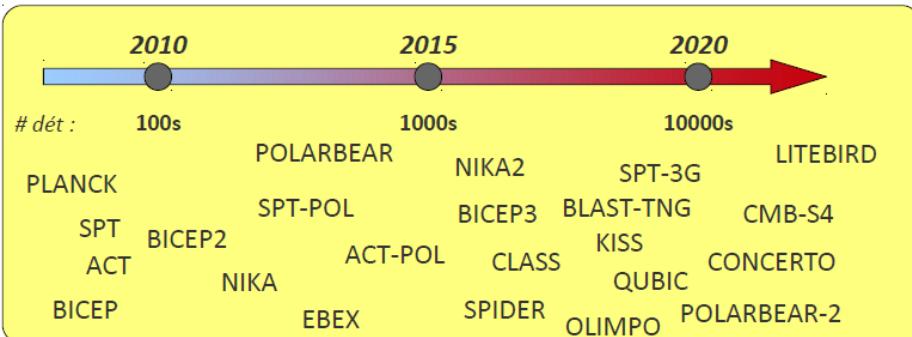
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Holy grail of cosmology:

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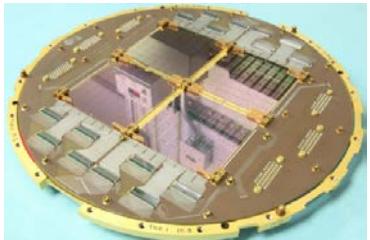


Multiplexing
Series production

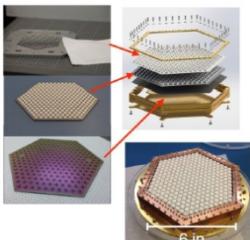
Emerging technologies:

- TES
- MKIDs

The mm and sub-mm astronomy: instruments

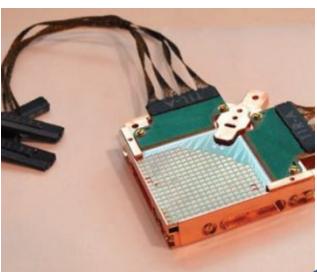


Ti TES
256/512 pixels / det

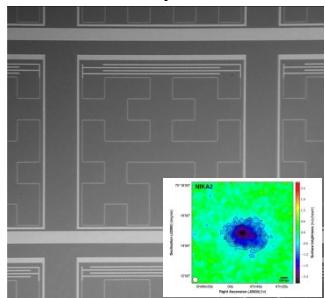


Ti-Au TES
271 pixels / module

NbSi TES
4 × 250 pixels



LEKID design
600-2000 pixels

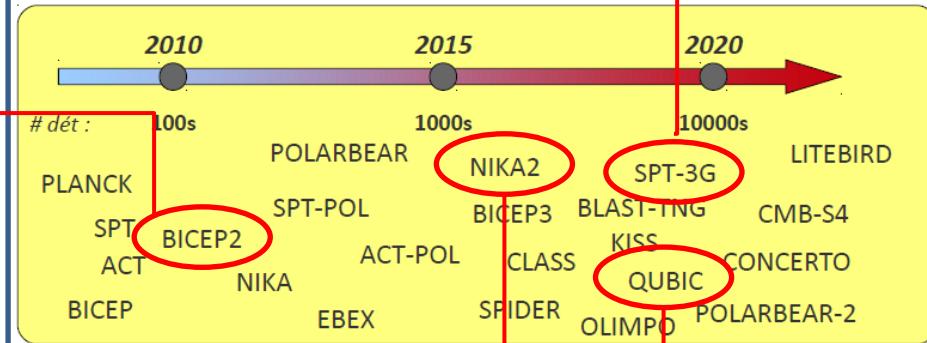


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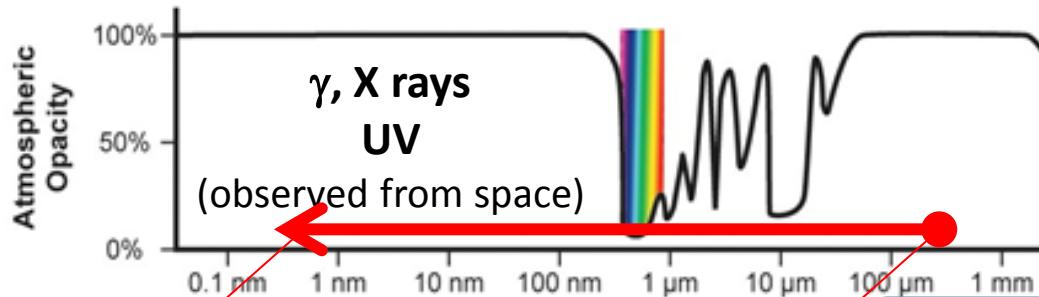


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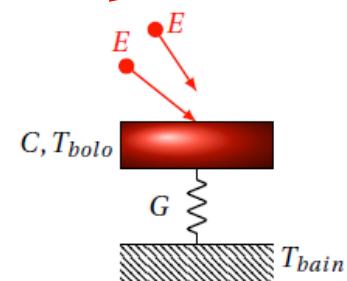
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From IR to X-rays

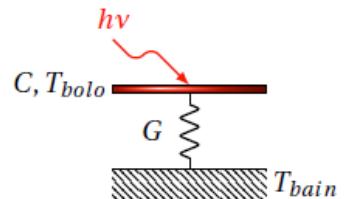


Unlike Bragg spectrometers,
possibility to couple
space resolution
with **spectral resolution**

Single photon $E > \sim 1$ eV



Flux of photons



Credit: D. Prèle
DRTBT 2018

Thermal detectors as x-ray spectrometers

Journal of Applied Physics 56, 1257 (1984); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.334129>

S. H. Moseley and J. C. Mather
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Experimental tests of a single-photon calorimeter for x-ray spectroscopy

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First energy spectrum with a low temperature calorimeter

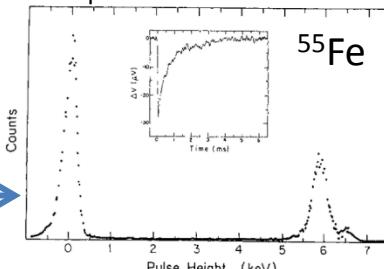
X-ray astrophysics with sounding rockets

Dan McCammon



1984

Si-doped thermistor



X-ray astrophysics

Credit: E. Cucchetti
DRTBT 2018

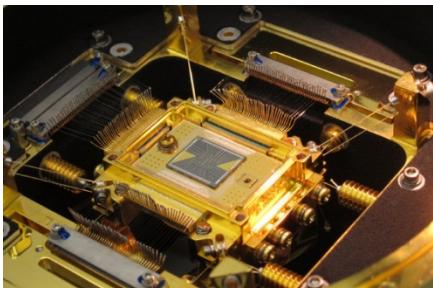
X-ray astrophysics deals with galaxy clusters, AGN, SN remnants, binary stars and other « extreme » astrophysical objects

ASTRO-H (Hitomi) mission (2016)

SXS instrument

HgTe absorbers on **Si thermistors**

6x6 channels - 7 eV FWHM in 0.3-12 keV



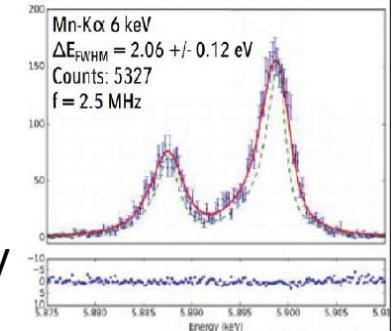
Athena mission (2031)

X-IFU instrument

Bi/Au absorber on Mo/Au **TES**

3800 channels

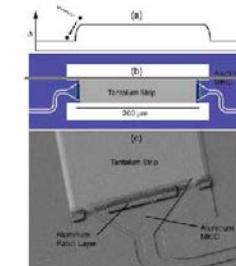
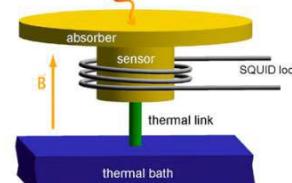
2.5 eV FWHM < 7 keV



Other possible detector choices

MMCs
MKIDs

2.8 eV FWHM @7 keV

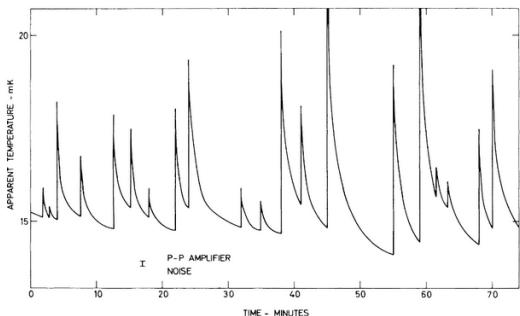


Lynx concept study

A parallel story...

T.O. Niinikoski, 1974

Cosmic ray disturbances in thermometry and refrigeration



**T.O. Niinikoski,
F. Udo, 1974**

CERN internal report
Cryogenic detection of neutrinos?

A. Drukier,

L. Stodolsky, 1982
Cryogenic detection of neutral-current neutrino scattering off nuclei

A. Drukier and L. Stodolsky
Phys. Rev. D **30**, 2295 – Published 1 December 1984

M.W. Goodman,

E. Witten, 1985
Cryogenic detection of dark-matter candidates

Mark W. Goodman and Edward Witten
Phys. Rev. D **31**, 3059 – Published 15 June 1985

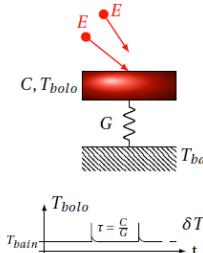
B. Cabrera, L.M. Krauss,

F. Wilczek, 1985
Detection of neutrinos more in general

Blas Cabrera, Lawrence M. Krauss, and Frank Wilczek
Phys. Rev. Lett. **55**, 25 – Published 1 July 1985

E. Fiorini, T.O. Niinikoski, 1984

Low-temperature calorimetry for rare decays

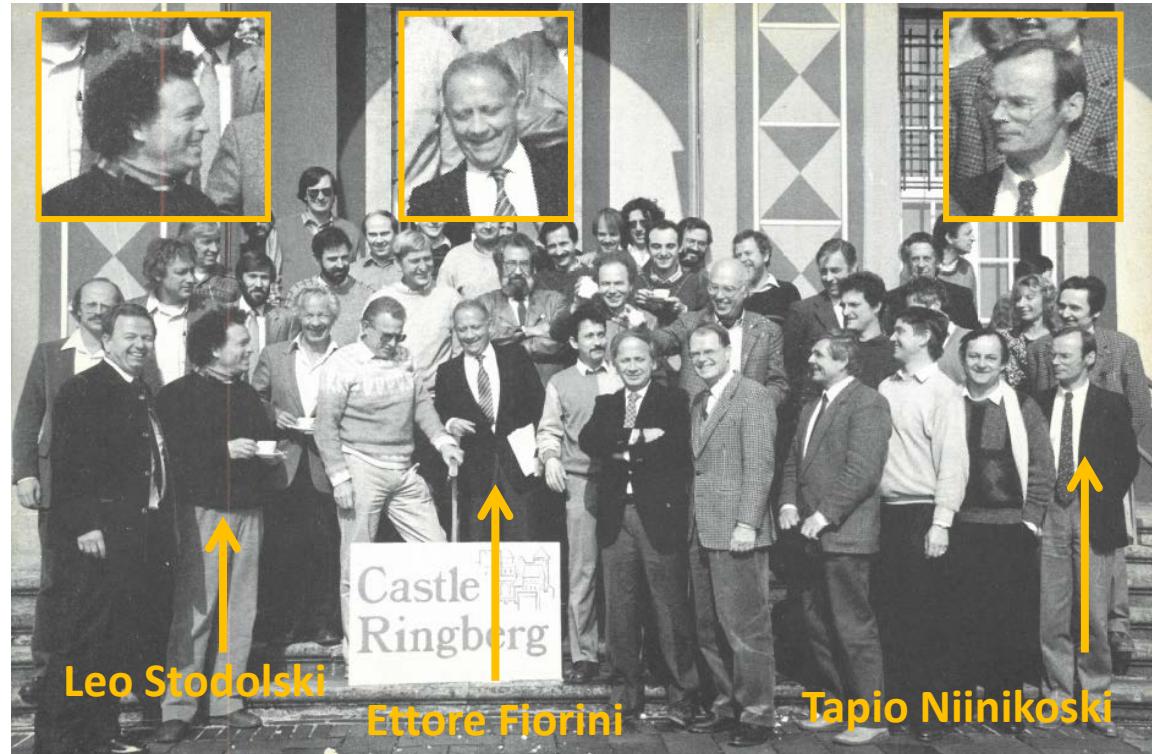
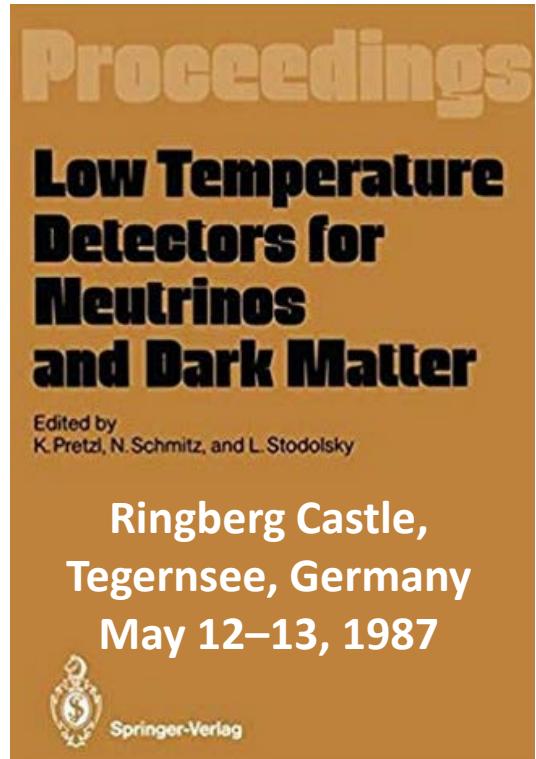


$$\begin{array}{c} T_{bolo} \\ \tau = \frac{C}{G} \\ T_{bain} \\ \delta T = \frac{E}{C} \end{array}$$

Application to $\beta\beta$ decay

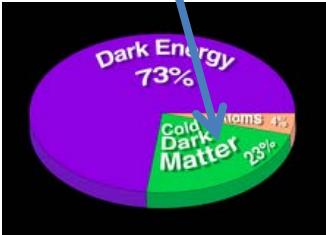
Isotope	%	Z	A	$E_{trans.}$ (keV)	Sensitivity (1 yr expos.) (yr)	Present limit (yr)
⁷⁶ Ge	7.67	32	72.59	2041 ± 2.5	1.2×10^{24}	5×10^{22}
⁸² Se	9.19	34	78.96	3009 ± 12	7×10^{22}	3×10^{21}
⁹⁰ Zr	2.8	40	91.22	3356 ± 7	5×10^{23}	---
¹⁰⁰ Mo	9.62	42	95.94	3033 ± 7	5×10^{24}	2×10^{21}
¹¹⁶ Cd	7.58	48	112.4	2808 ± 6	3.8×10^{23}	---
¹²⁴ Sn	5.98	50	118.69	2277 ± 6	1.8×10^{23}	---
¹²⁸ Te	31.79	52	127.6	870 ± 4	5.4×10^{22}	geolog.
¹³⁰ Te	34.49	52	127.6	2534 ± 10	3.0×10^{23}	geolog.
¹³⁶ Xe	8.86	54	131.3	2479 ± 11	9.0×10^{21}	---
⁵⁰ Nd	5.6	60	144.29	3366 ± 8	2.2×10^{23}	2×10^{21}

...leading to « LTD1 »

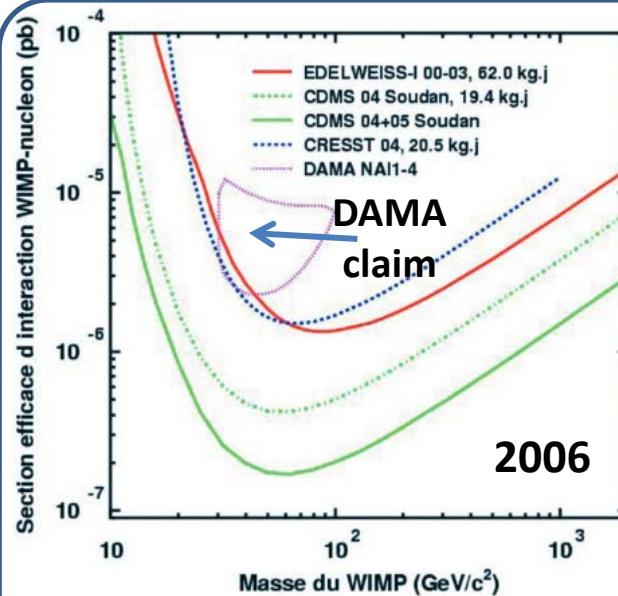


Search for dark-matter candidates

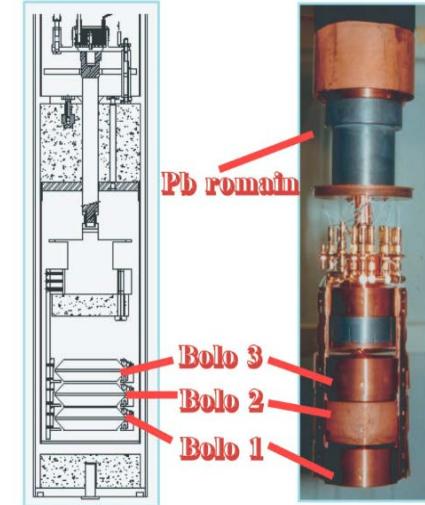
In the nineties of last century, **SUSY** enjoyed a great deal of credit in particle physics and the lightest SUSY particle (**neutralino**) was considered the natural dark-matter candidate, as it turned out to have the correct **relic abundance** (« **WIMP miracle** »).



Intense direct search for **WIMPs** with masses of **~100 GeV**



Prominent role of LTDs, which lead the fields until ~10-15 years ago



A relatively simple 3-bolometer set-up like EDELWEISS-1 has been leader in 2002

Search for dark-matter candidates

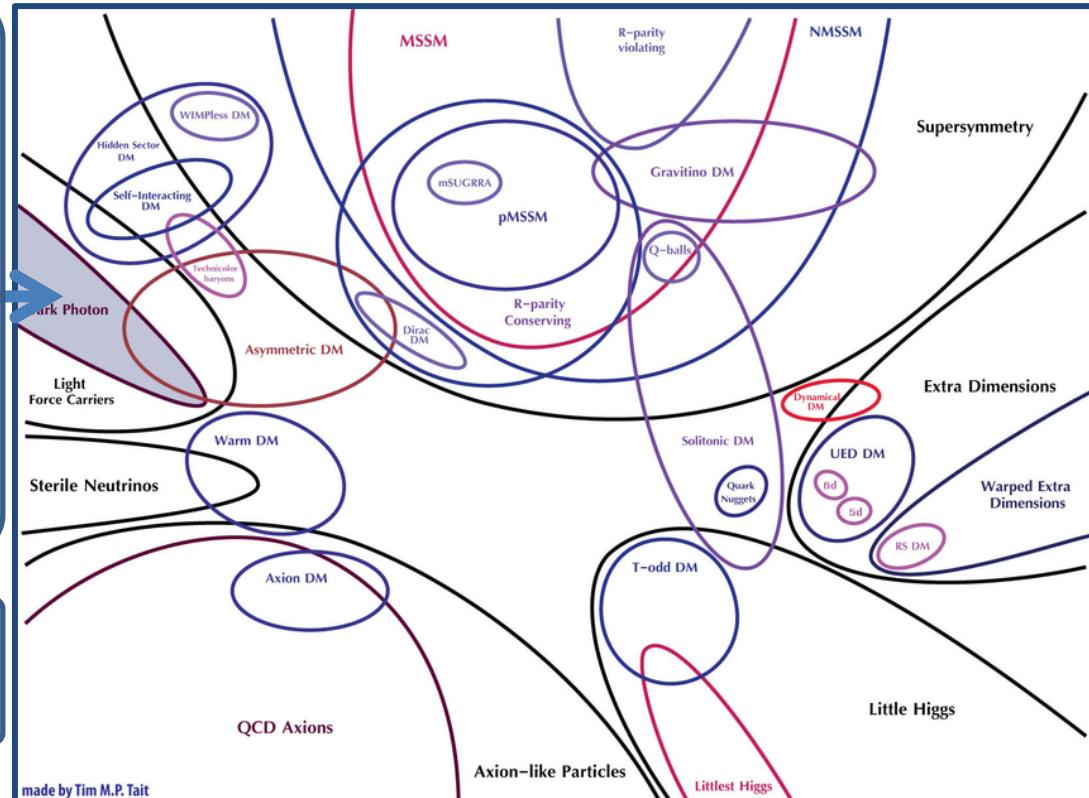
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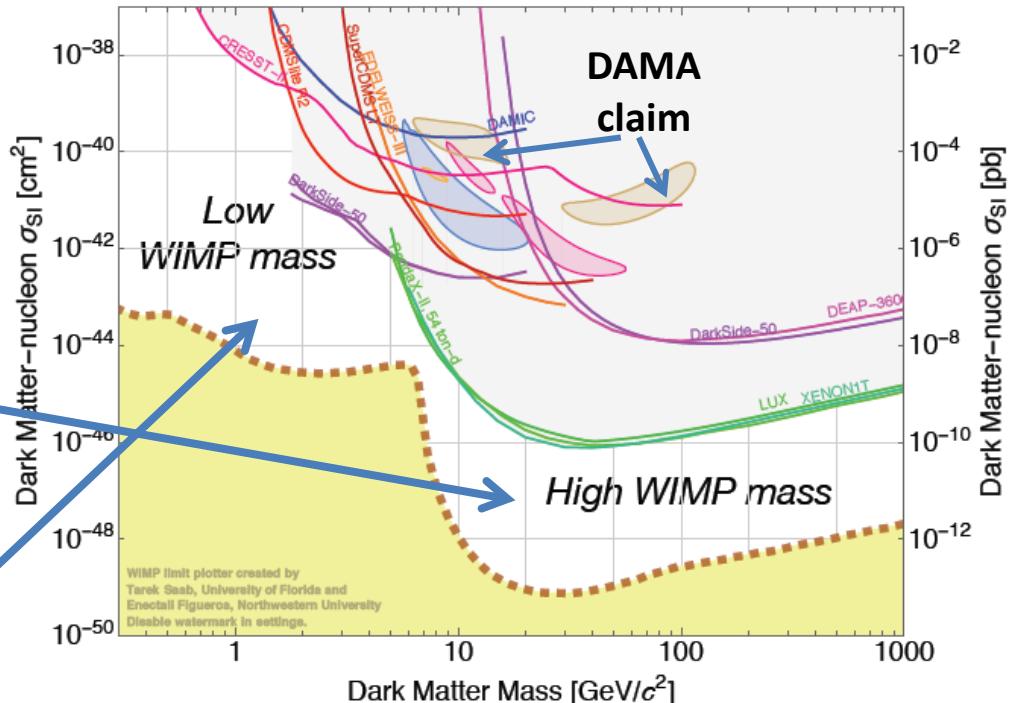
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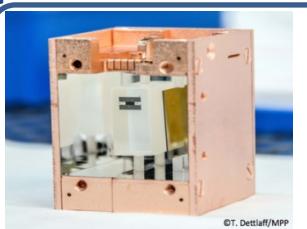
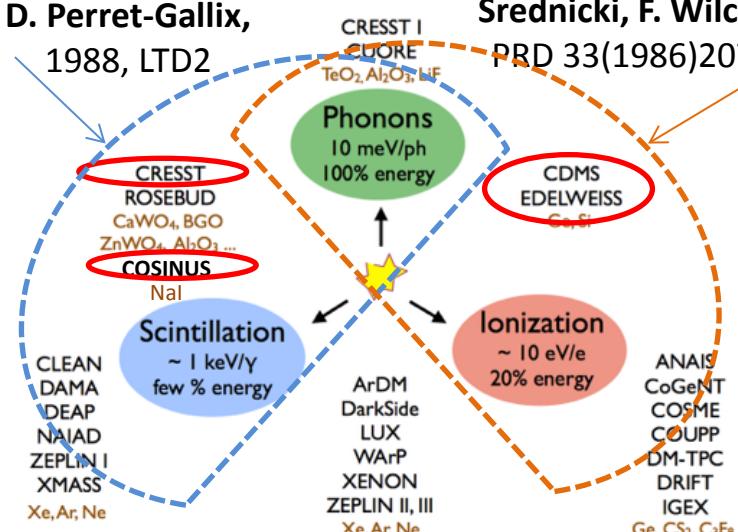
Dark matter experiments with LTDs

- Low energy threshold (≤ 100 eV)
- Low raw background
- Electron/nuclear recoil discrimination
- Large exposures

L. Gonzalez-Mestres,
D. Perret-Gallix,

1988, LTD2

L.M. Krauss, M.
Srednicki, F. Wilczec
PRD 33(1986)2079



CRESST

CaWO₄ crystals
24 g

Scintillating bolometer

60 eV threshold on average
30 eV on one detector

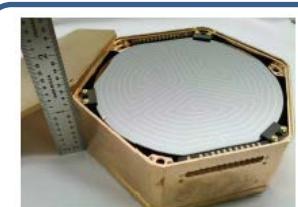


EDELWEISS

Ge crystal
850 g

Ionization + heat

→ Reject surface events by charge collection pattern
36 detectors
→ 20 kg



SuperCDMS

Ge crystal
600 g

Ionization + athermal phonons

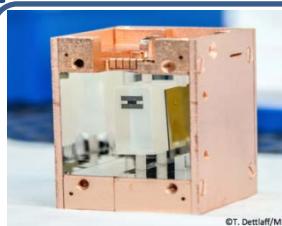
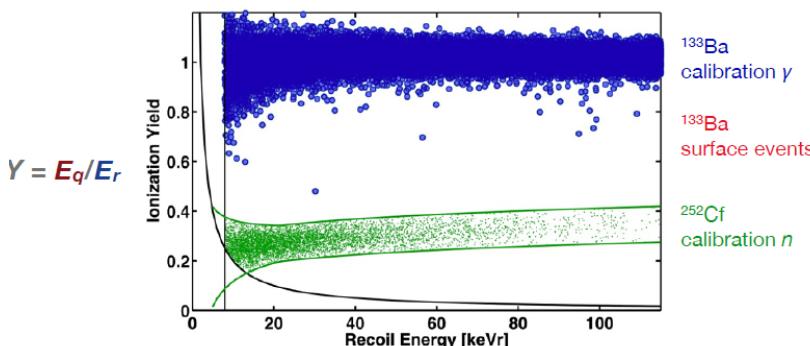
→ Reject surface events by phonon signal
15 detectors
→ 9 kg

COSINUS: scrutinize DAMA with NaI scintillating bolometers

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Discrimination in EDELWEISS



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Search for low-mass candidates

Search for low-mass WIMPs

→ **threshold** more important than discrimination → **new strategies**

CRESST – phonons + scintillation

Very small Al_2O_3 crystal – 0.49 g – 19.6 eV threshold

EDELWEISS – phonons + ionization

Careful optimization of NTD readout and microphonic noise
Ge crystal – 32 g – 55 eV threshold

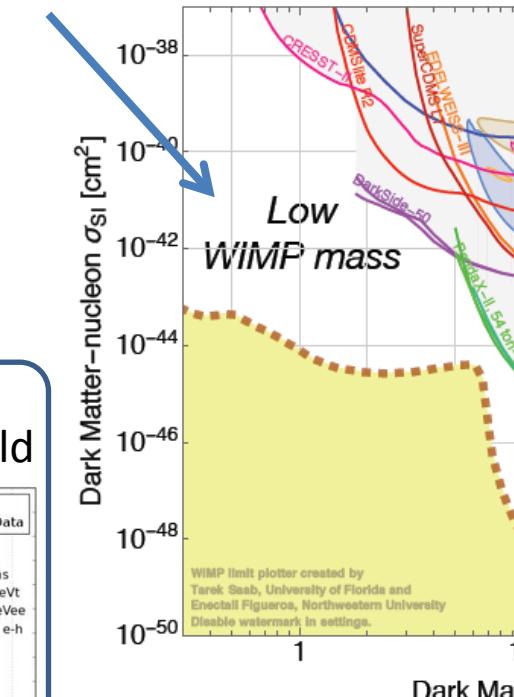
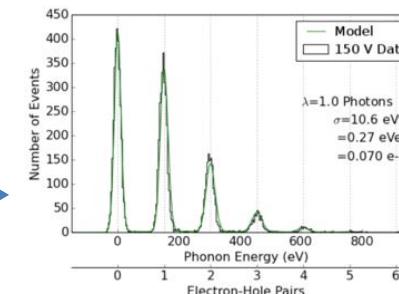
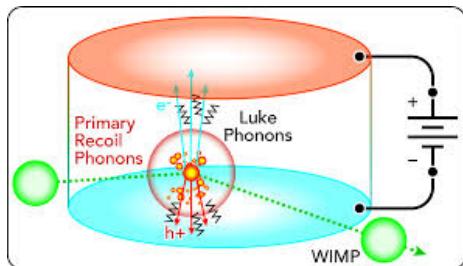
SuperCDMS and EDELWEISS – phonons+ ionization

Ionization read by **Neganov-Luke effect** - CDMSLite 56 eVee threshold

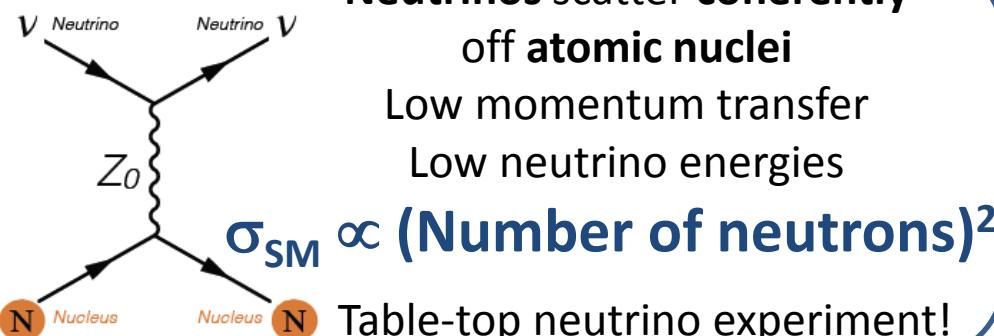
P. Luke

JAP 64(1988)6858

In this context, first observation of →
e-h quantization in Si



Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

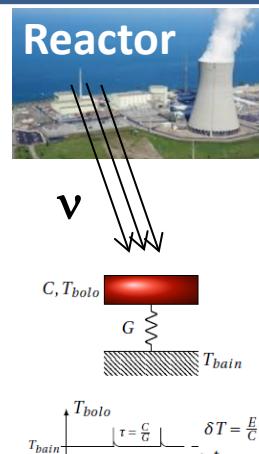


Detected by COHERENT in 2017 with conventional detectors with relatively high-energy neutrinos

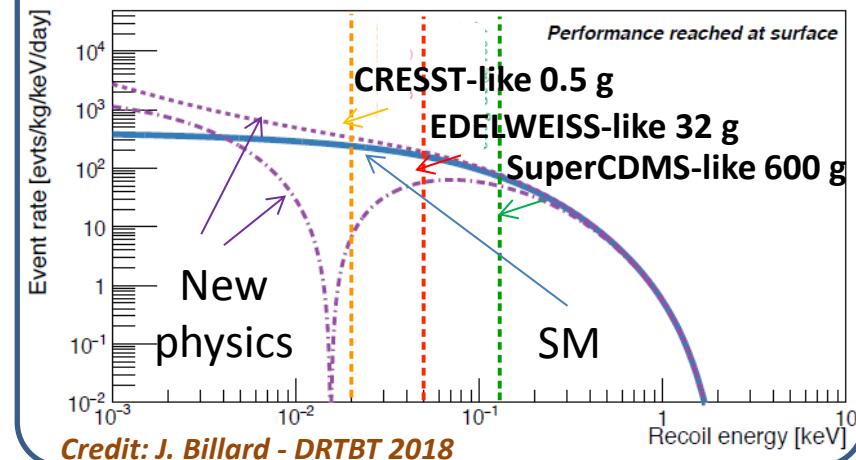
A. Drukier and L. Stodolsky
Phys. Rev. D **30**, 2295 – Published 1 December 1984

Precision measurements with LTDs required for:

- Low energy test of SM
- Physics beyond SM
 - ν magnetic moment
 - Non standard ν interaction
 - Z' boson



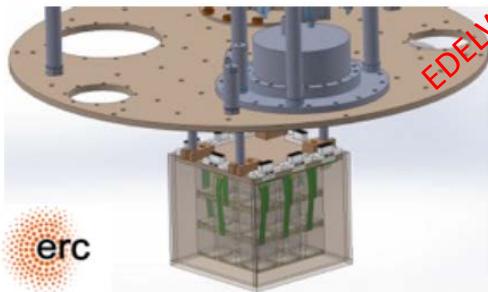
O(10 eV) threshold required
WIMP-CEvNS connection



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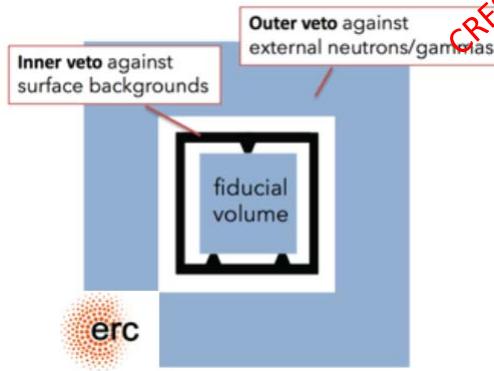
One of the main challenges is **background** → different strategies

Ricochet



- **1 kg array** of detectors (CryoCube) $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27$ crystals of 30 g (Ge & Zn)
- **Nuclear recoil identification** down to $O(10)$ eV threshold

NuCLEUS



- Phase 1: **10 g target mass** 9 CaWO₄ and 9 Al₂O₃ crystals
- Outer and inner **veto**s

MINER – phase 1



- Use one **SuperCDMS (625 g Ge) detector** in **HV mode**
- Passive and active **shielding**
- **Science run** started

SuperCDMS

BASKET – Use **lithiated targets** to monitor neutron background in real time

Neutrino mass scale: double beta decay

Neutrinoless double beta decay ($0\nu 2\beta$) – Hypothetical rare decay ($T_{1/2} > 10^{25-26}$ y) – If observed:

- neutrino and antineutrino coincide (**Majorana fermions**)
- **Lepton number** is not an exact symmetry of Nature

The most important problem
in neutrino physics

In addition, measurement of the **effective Majorana mass** $m_{\beta\beta} \rightarrow$ neutrino mass scale

$(A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + 2e^-$ – a few interesting nuclei

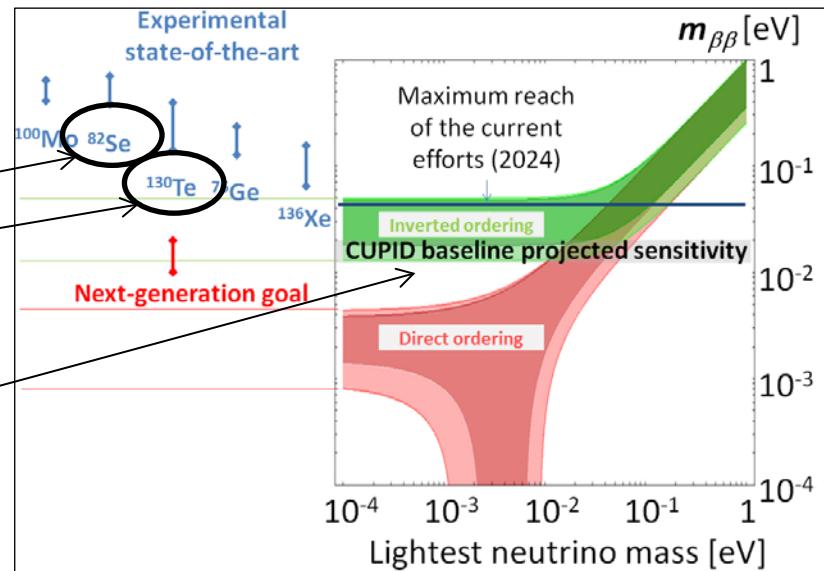
Signature: **peak in the $2e^-$ spectrum** ($Q=2-3$ MeV)

LTDs are ideal detectors:

- High energy resolution
- Flexible material choice
- Background rejection methods
(hybrid or surface sensitive detectors)
- Multi-isotope search in principle

CUPID-0
CUORE

CUPID
AMoRE



LTDs for double beta decay: CUORE and CUPID-0

CUORE

First ton-scale array of cryogenic calorimeters:

988 TeO₂ crystals
(0.75 kg each)
NTD readout

CUORE cryostat (LNGS)
unprecedented technological challenge

Current results

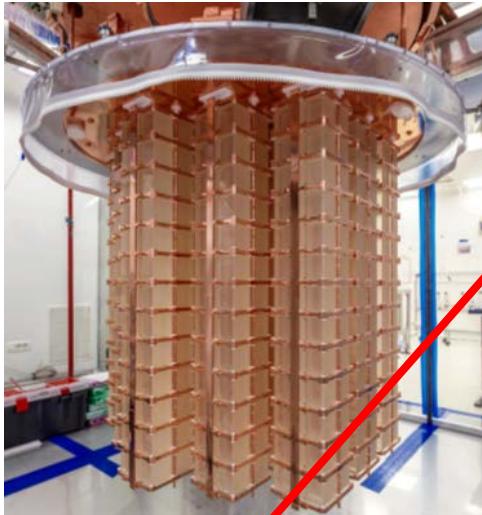
90% C.I. limits on

Half-life of ¹³⁰Te:

$T_{1/2} > 1.5 \times 10^{25}$ y

Effective Majorana mass:

$m_{\beta\beta} < (110 - 520)$ meV



Intrinsic limitations

- surface α background
- low Q (~ 2.5 MeV) of ¹³⁰Te
 $\rightarrow \gamma$ background

Solution

Scintillating bolometers
with $Q > 3$ MeV candidates

Milano group

First scintillating bolometer
(CaF₂ for 0v2 β)
Physics Letters B

Volume 420, Issues 1–2, 19 February 1998, Pages
109–113

L. Gonzalez-Mestres,
D. Perret-Gallix,
1989, Moriond

S. Pirro

Pioneering work
Scintillating double-beta-decay bolometers
Phys. At. Nucl. 69 (2006) 2109



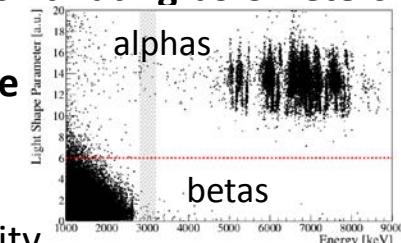
CUPID-0 evolution of LUCIFER (LNGS)

24× 95%-enriched Zn⁸²Se scintillating bolometers

Excellent α rejection, but

intrinsic limitations of ZnSe

- Low energy resolution
- Difficult crystallization
- Non-excellent radiopurity



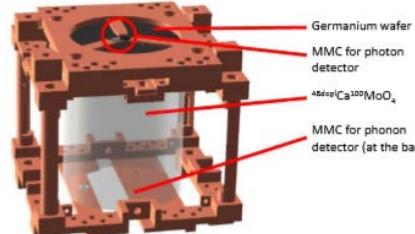
LTDs for double beta decay: the ^{100}Mo way

Mo-based scintillating bolometers to study the candidate $^{100}\text{Mo} - Q \sim 3.03 \text{ MeV}$

AMoRE
MMC readout

AMoRE pilot
6x $\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals
1.9 kg total

DONE



AMoRE-I
18x crystals
3 different types

IN PREPARATION

AMoRE-II
200 kg
total mass

PLANNED

LUMINEU → CUPID-Mo – development of the $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ technology – NTD readout

Multiple tests with natural and enriched crystals (2014-2017) in LSM and LNGS with outstanding results in terms of:

Reproducibility → excellent performance uniformity

Energy resolution → ~ 4-6 keV FWHM at 2615 keV

α rejection → > 99.9 %

Internal radiopurity → < 5 $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{kg}$ in ^{232}Th , ^{238}U ; < 5 mBq/kg in ^{40}K

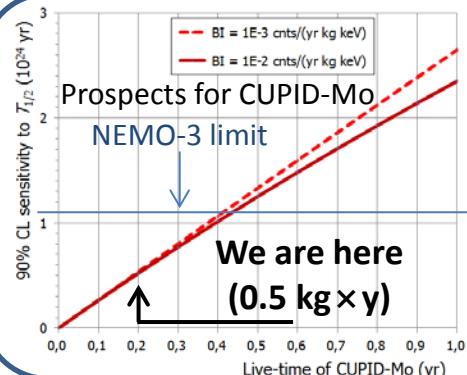
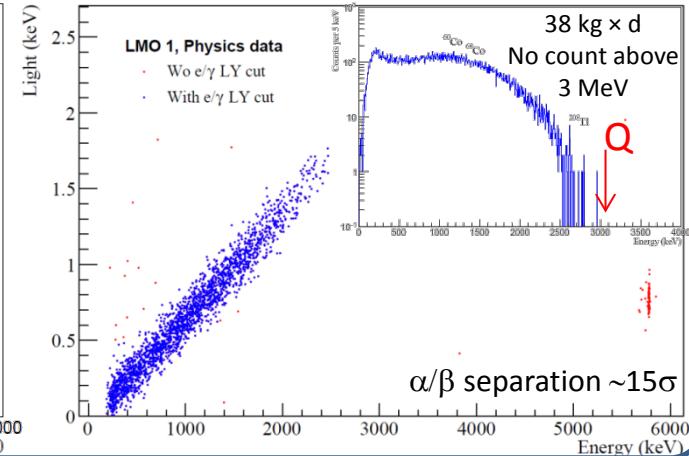
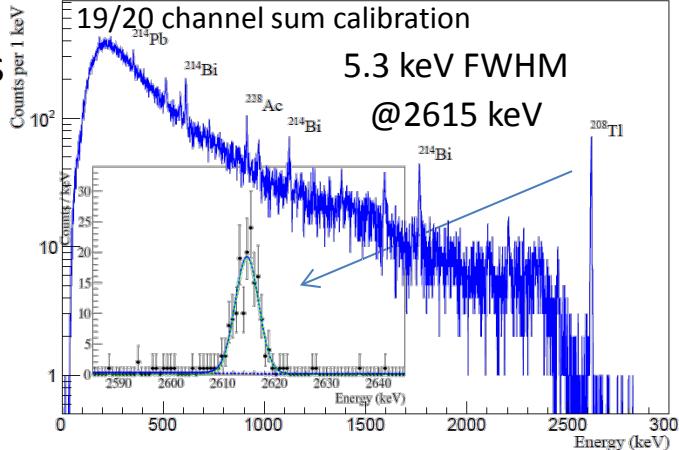
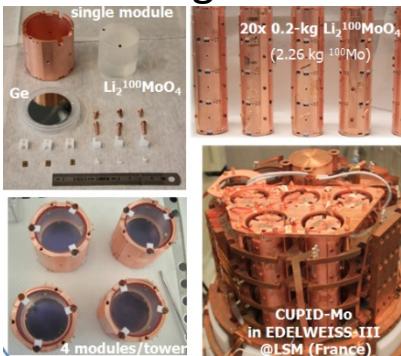


CUPID-Mo
pilot
experiment

LTDs for double beta decay: CUPID-Mo and CUPID

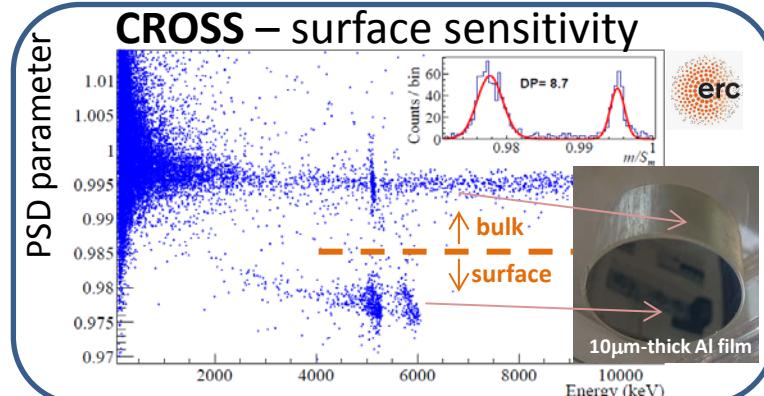
CUPID-Mo

20 scintillating bolometers



Towards CUPID
~1500 Li₂MoO₄ scintillating
bolometers in the CUORE cryostat

One of the most sensitive 0ν2β
searches of the next decade



Neutrino mass: β decay and electron capture

Neutrino mass scale: fundamental parameter of particle physics and cosmology

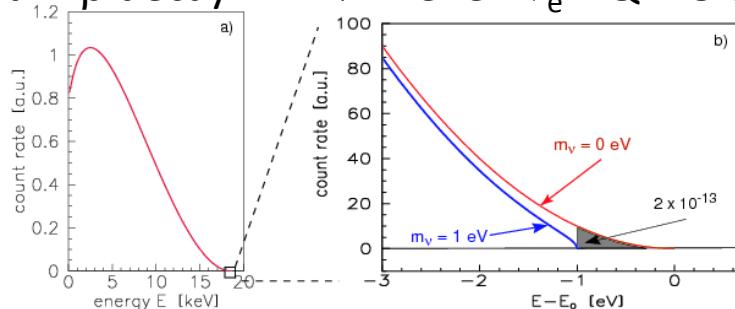
Model-independent measurement:

kinematics → **Spectral distortion**
of the visible energy emitted
along with invisible neutrinos



High energy resolution +
flexibility in detector
material → **LTDs**

Tritium β decay: ${}^3\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$ - $Q \sim 18.6 \text{ keV}$



Best limit ($m_\nu < 2.2 \text{ eV}$) and prospects ($m_\nu < 0.2 \text{ eV}$)
with MAC-E filter spectrometers: KATRIN experiment

No go for LTDs → too small fraction of useful events

${}^{187}\text{Re} \rightarrow {}^{187}\text{Os} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$ - $Q \sim 2.5 \text{ keV}$

MIBETA-MANU

$m_\nu < 15.6 \text{ eV}$ - **AgReO₄ bolometers**

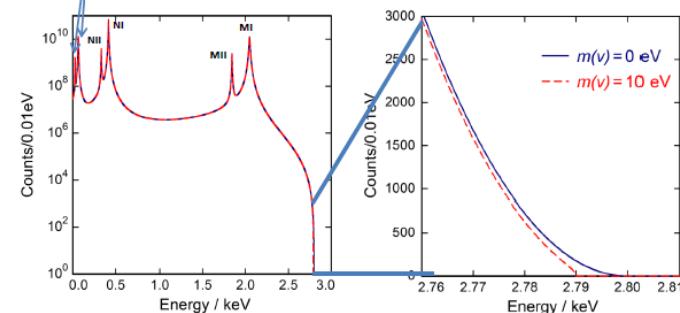
No go for LTDs

→ no convenient Re-based bolometer

More promising:

A. De Rújula, 1981

${}^{163}\text{Ho} \rightarrow {}^{163}\text{Dy}^* + \bar{\nu}_e$ - $Q \sim 2.8 \text{ keV}$



Neutrino mass: electron capture experiments

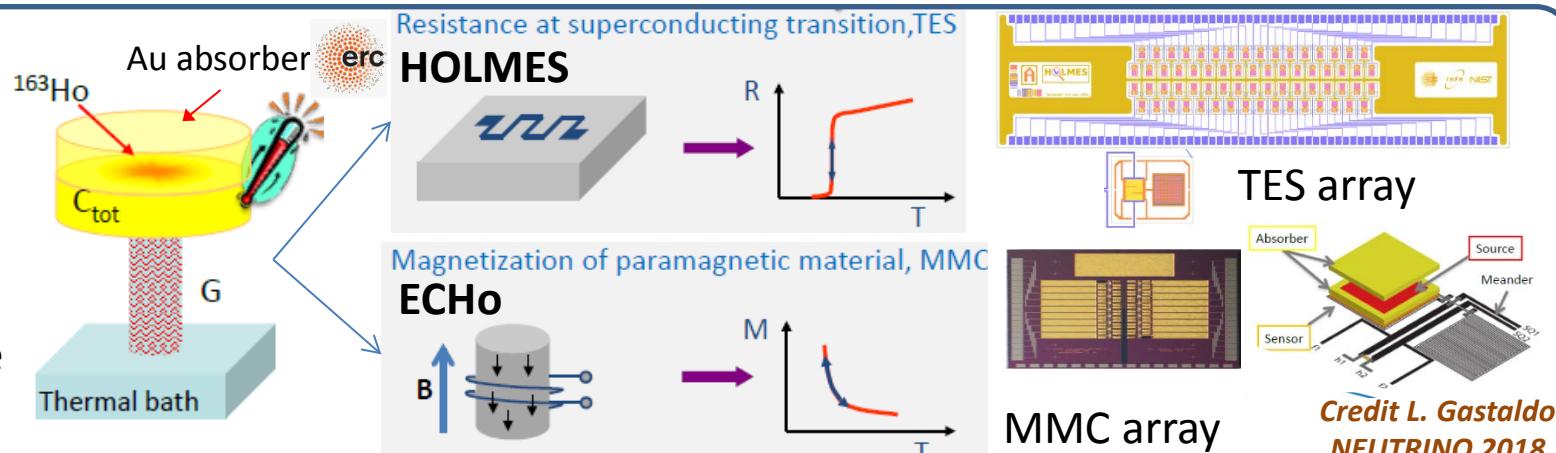
For **sub-eV sensitivity**: $> 10^{14}$ events \rightarrow total activity $\sim 1 \text{ MBq}$

In order to limit pile-up in each pixel $\rightarrow \sim 10^5$ pixels

- Large arrays
- Multiplexing

Detector challenges:

- High energy resolution
 $O(1 \text{ eV})$
- Fast risetime
 $< 1\mu\text{s}$



Source challenges:

Production and embedding of the source
 $1 \text{ MBq} \rightarrow > 10^{17}$ atoms – $T_{1/2} = 4570 \text{ y}$

A combination of technologies for neutrino mass measurement (**including LTDs**) can be used to attempt the detection of **relic neutrinos** – PTOLEMY

Low temperature detectors have nowadays a wide range of applications, both in **fundamental science and technology**

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LTDs will detect and study CEvNS at nuclear detectors

LTDs can dominate $0\nu 2\beta$ scenario in the next decade

LTDs can provide a method to improve the present sensitivity on m_ν