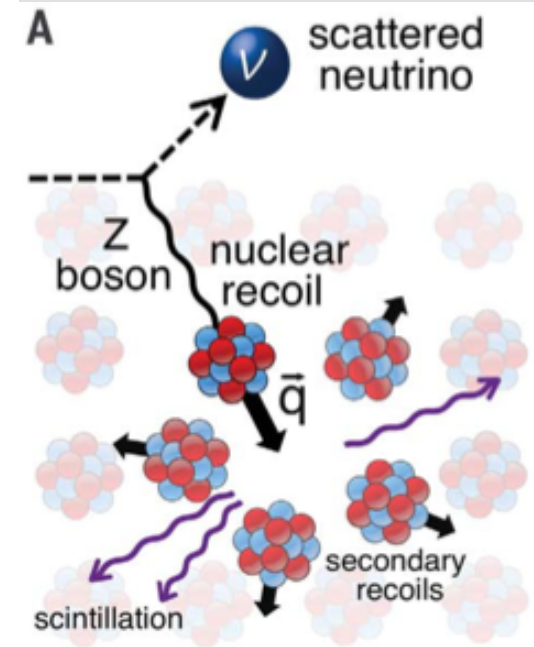
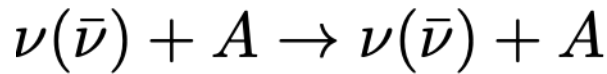


# nucleus: coherent elastic neutrino- nucleus scattering at CHOOZ



# Neutrino cross-sections and detectable energy

## Coherent Elastic $\nu$ -Nucleus Scattering

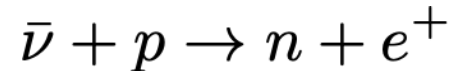


$$\sigma_{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}} = \frac{G_F^2}{4\pi} F^2(q^2) Q_W^2 E_\nu^2$$

$$Q_W = N - Z(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) \sim N$$

$$E_\nu < qR \quad \langle T \rangle = \frac{2}{3} \frac{E_\nu^2}{M_A}$$

## Inverse Beta Decay

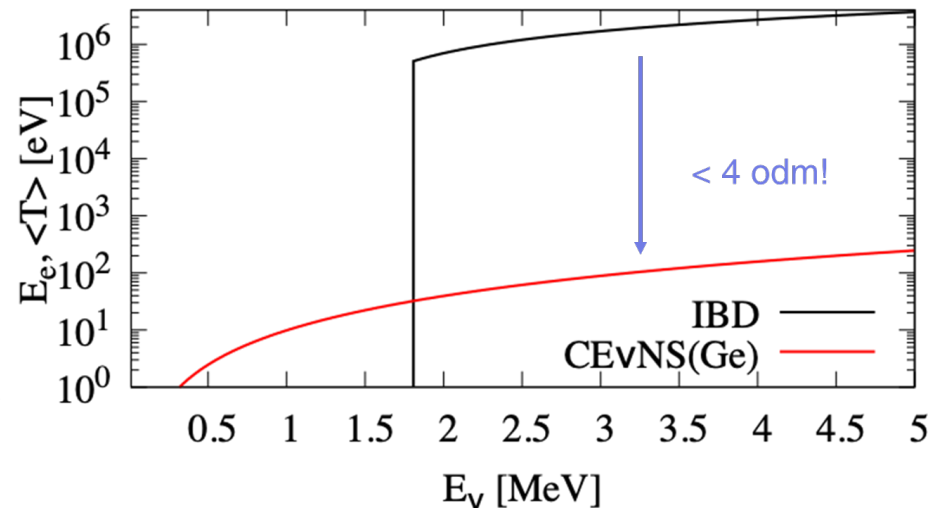
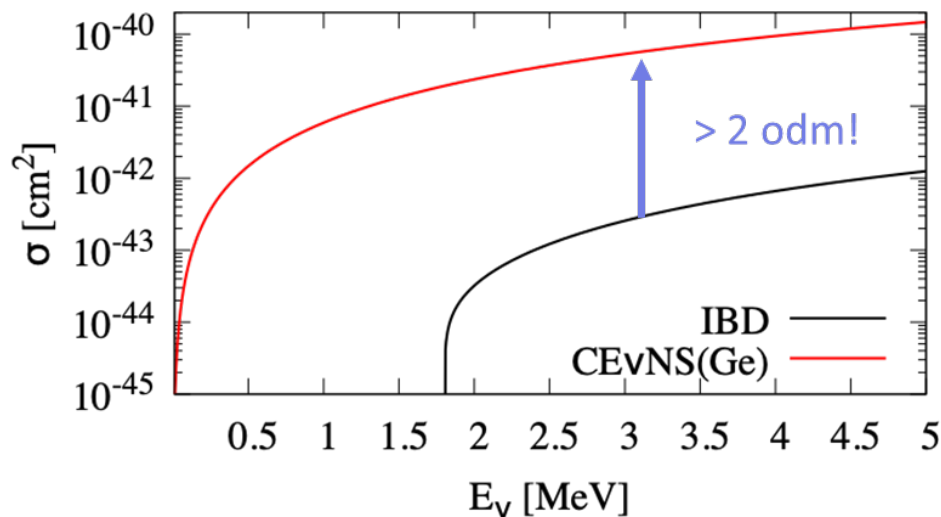


$$\sigma_{\text{IBD}}^0 = \frac{G_F^2 \cos^2 \theta_C}{\pi} (f^2 + 3g^2) E_e p_e$$

$$E_e = E_\nu - (M_N - M_p)$$

$$E_\nu > 1.806 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_e = E_\nu - (M_N - M_p)$$





# 43 years to be discovered

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## Coherent effects of a weak neutral current

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If there is a weak neutral current, then the elastic scattering process  $\nu + A \rightarrow \nu + A$  should have a sharp coherent forward peak just as  $e + A \rightarrow e + A$  does. Experiments to observe this peak can give important information on the isospin structure of the neutral current. The experiments are very difficult, although the estimated cross sections (about  $10^{-38}$  cm<sup>2</sup> on carbon) are favorable. The coherent cross sections (in contrast to incoherent) are almost energy-independent. Therefore, energies as low as 100 MeV may be suitable. Quasi-coherent nuclear excitation processes  $\nu + A \rightarrow \nu + A^*$  provide possible tests of the conservation of the weak neutral current. Because of strong coherent effects at very low energies, the nuclear elastic scattering process may be important in inhibiting cooling by neutrino emission in stellar collapse and neutron stars.

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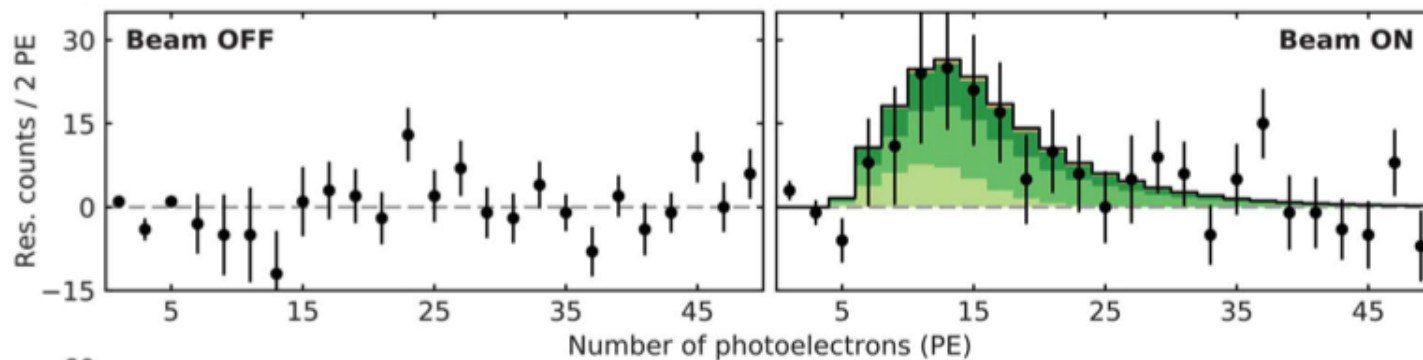
## Observation of coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

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The coherent elastic scattering of neutrinos off nuclei has eluded detection for four decades, even though its predicted cross section is by far the largest of all low-energy neutrino couplings. This mode of interaction offers new opportunities to study neutrino properties and leads to a miniaturization of detector size, with potential technological applications. We observed this process at a  $6.7\sigma$  confidence level, using a low-background, 14.6-kilogram CsI[Na] scintillator exposed to the neutrino emissions from the Spallation Neutron Source at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Characteristic signatures in energy and time, predicted by the standard model for this process, were observed in high signal-to-background conditions. Improved constraints on nonstandard neutrino interactions with quarks are derived from this initial data set.

14.6 kg CsI[Na],

153 days beam off 308 days beam on



Spallation neutron source at Oakridge

# Physics with CEνNS and more

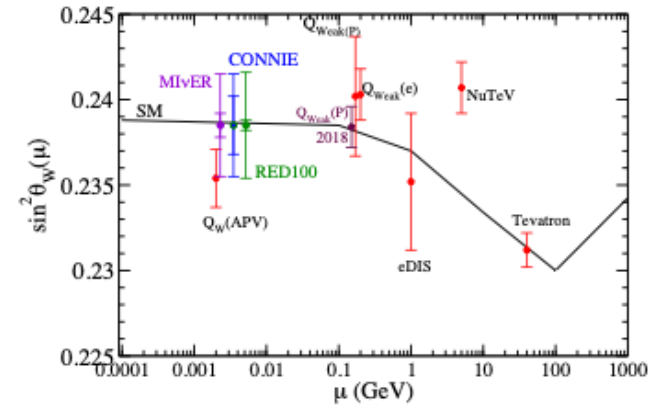
- $\sin^2\theta_W$  at low Q

- Non-standard interactions

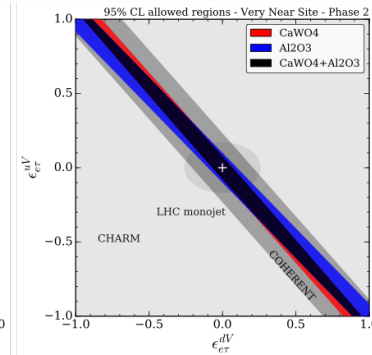
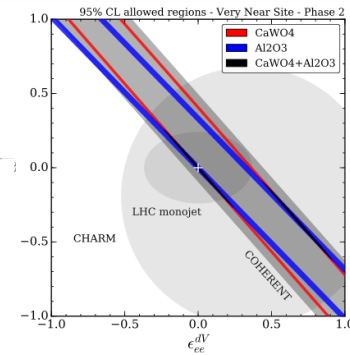
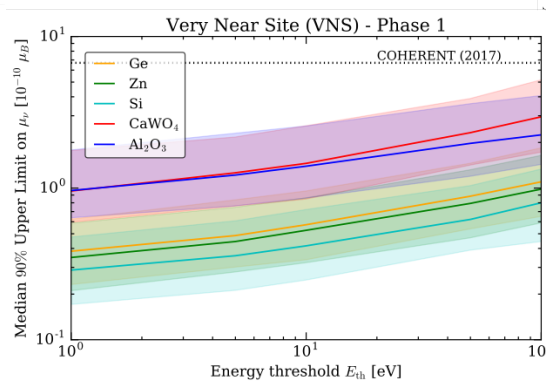
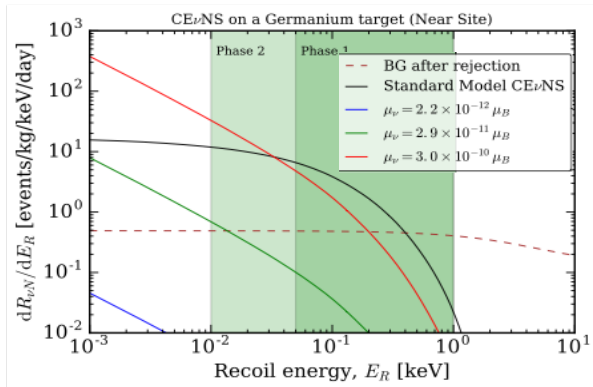
$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{NSI}} = -\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fP} 2\sqrt{2}G_F(\bar{\nu}_\alpha\gamma_\rho L\nu_\beta)(\bar{f}\gamma^\rho P f),$$

- Neutrino magnetic moment

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu-N}^{\text{mag.}}}{dE_R} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\mu_\nu^2 Z^2}{m_e^2} \left( \frac{1}{E_R} - \frac{1}{E_\nu} + \frac{E_R}{4E_\nu^2} \right) F^2(E_R).$$



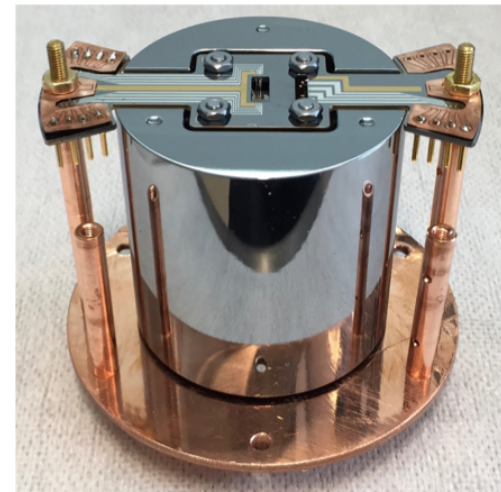
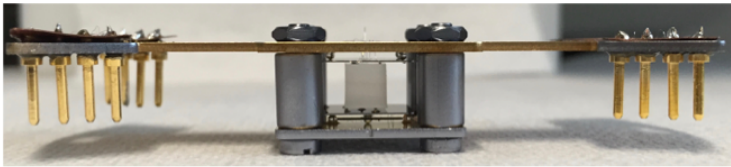
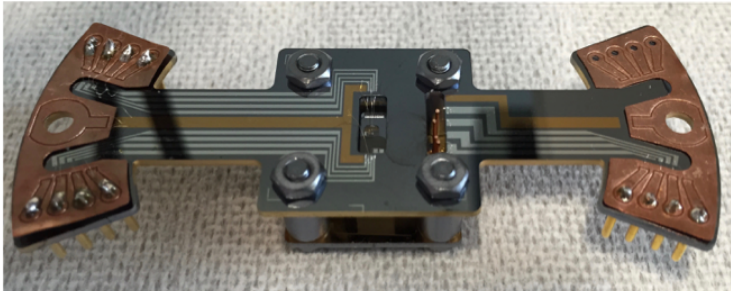
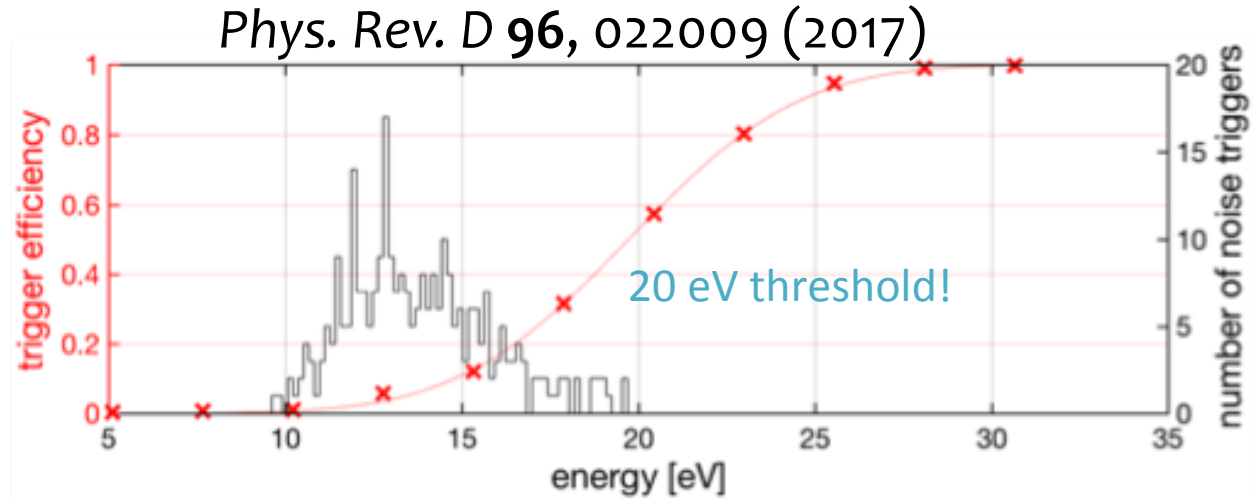
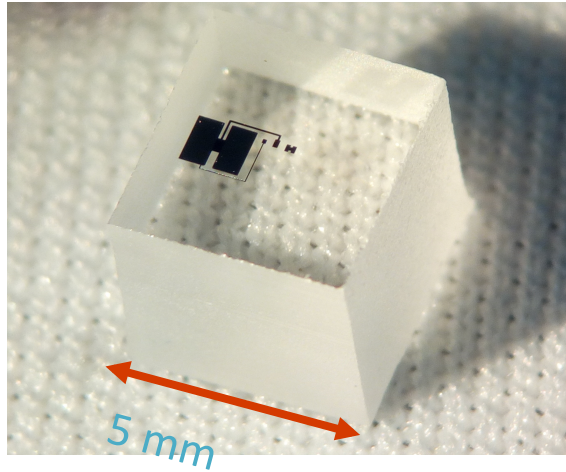
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- **Non-proliferation:** detectors can be used to find out fuel diversion (e.g. Plutonium removal from core, 1811.04737)

# NUCLEUS: detector

CRESST technology: TES on  $\text{CaWO}_4$  or  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  at 10 mK



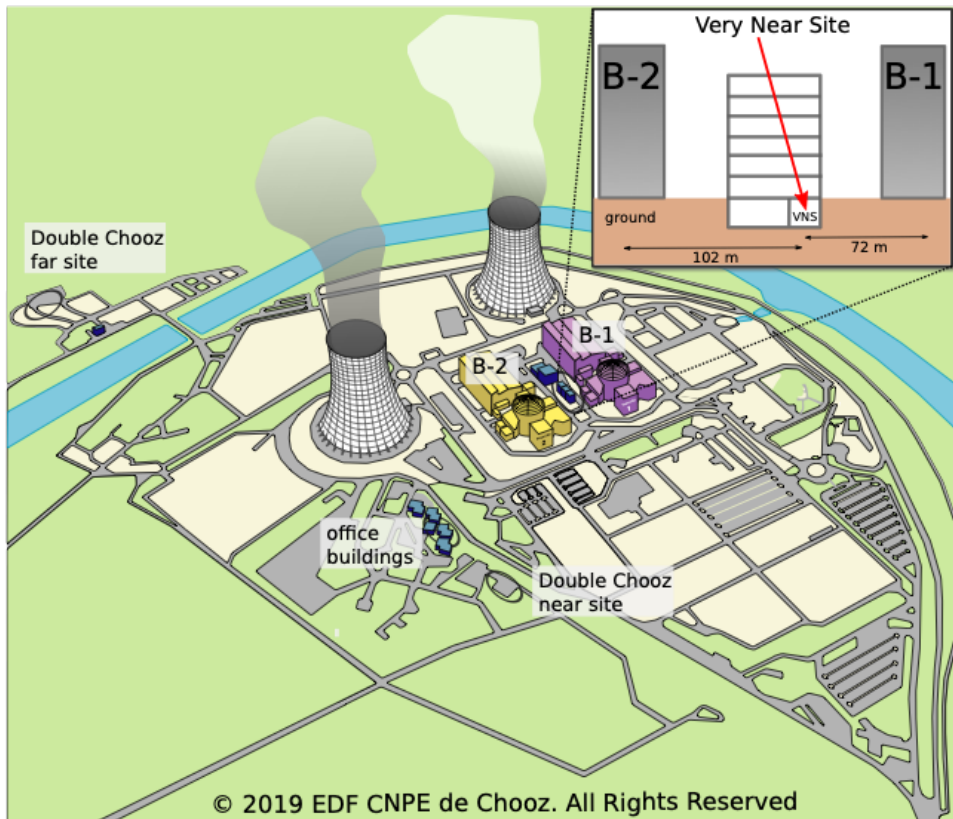
- Sapphire and  $\text{CaWO}_4$  crystals
- Flexible Si wafers as inner veto detectors

Si outer veto prototype



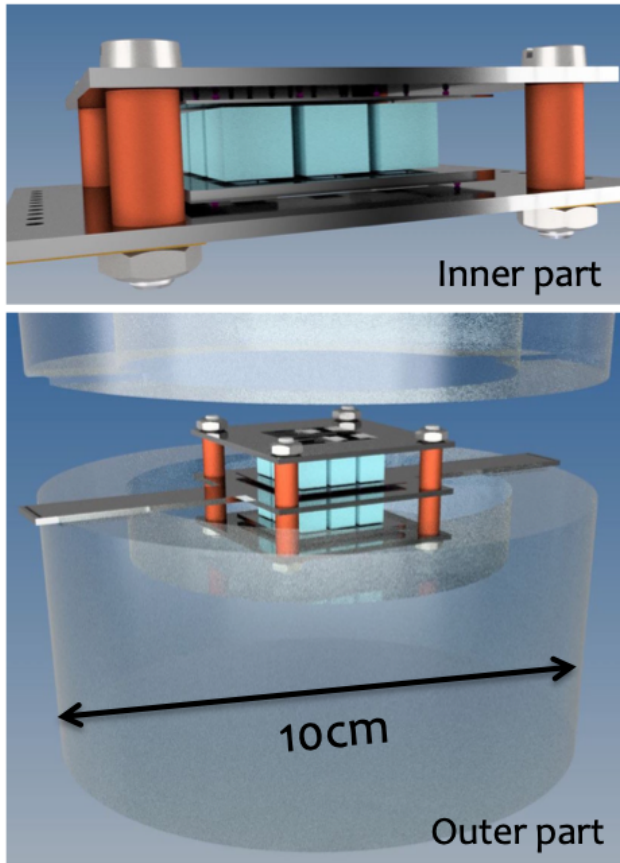
# NUCLEUS: site

- 10 g of  $\text{CaWO}_4$  /  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  Target
- 18 detectors with 20 eV threshold
- CHOOZ very near site (VNS) (72 and 102 m from 4.5 GWth cores)



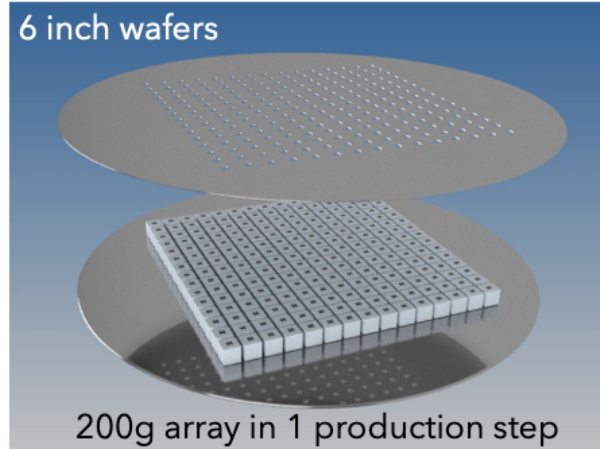
# NUCLEUS: 2-phase approach

NU-CLEUS 10g



NU-CLEUS 1kg

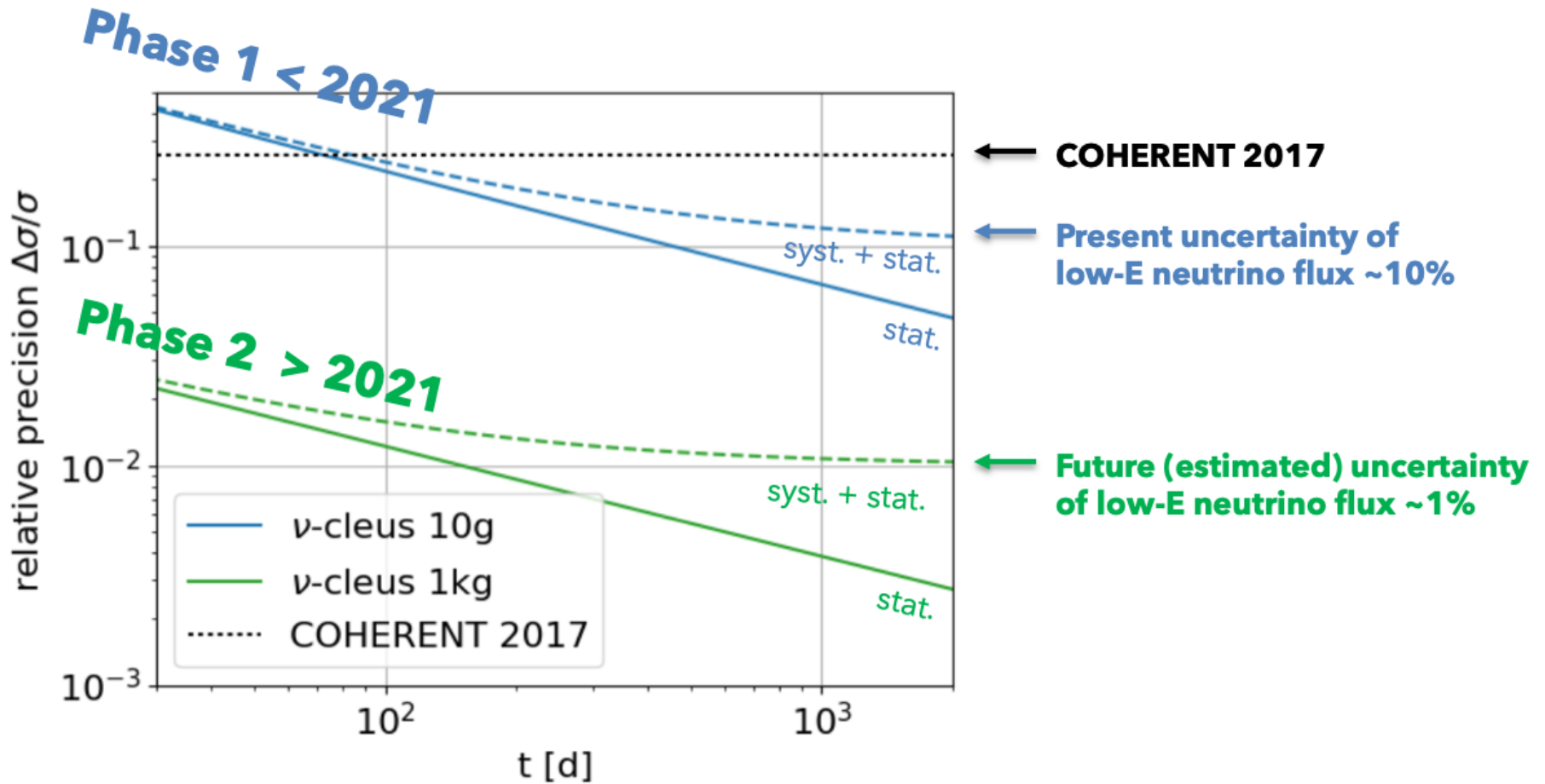
A scalable cryogenic detector



- Exploit semiconductor technology
- SQUID multiplexing

Breakthrough for the NU-CLEUS physics program!  
Impact for other cryogenic experiments!

# NUCLEUS: sensitivity



# NUCLEUS: collaboration



4.7 FTE + 0.4

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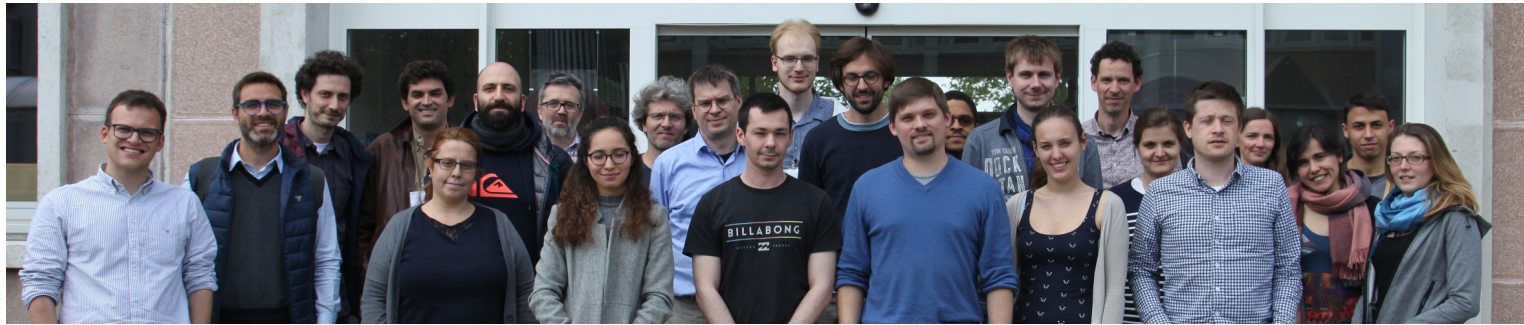
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- IBS Korea??
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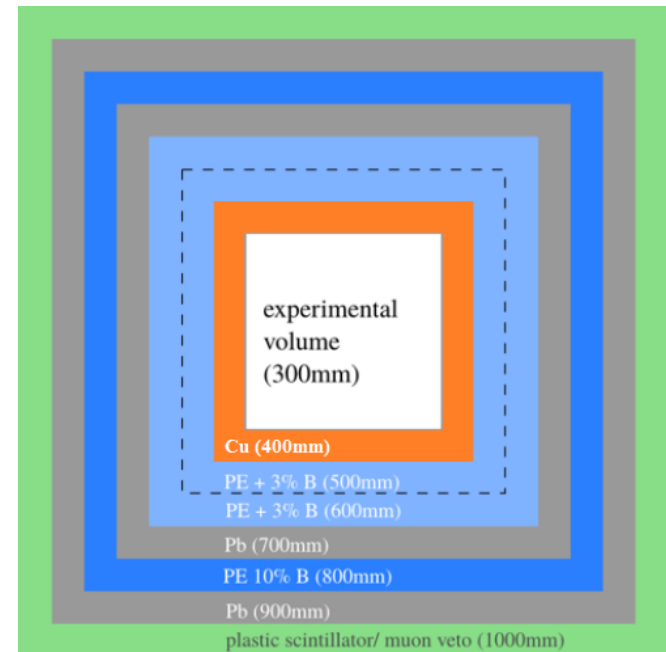
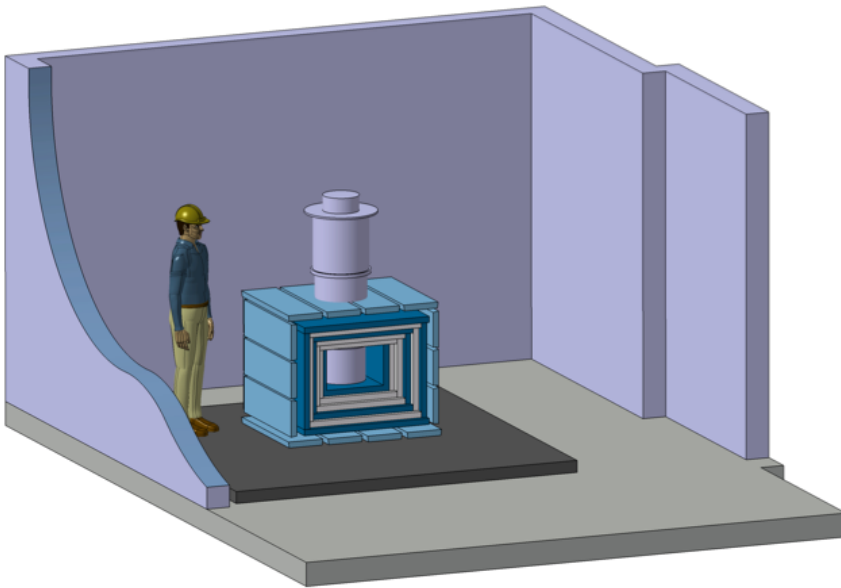


Activity			2020	2021	2022			Cost
			semesters					
<b>NUCLEUS Phase 1 Summary schedule</b>	Procurement and construction							-
	Commissioning at TUM							-
	Installation and data taking at CHOOZ							-
<b>INFN contribution to NUCLEUS Phase 1</b>	3.1 Calibration system	RM1						100
	3.2 Inner veto	FE						70
	3.3 Shielding	RM2						50
	3.4 Material radioassay	RM2/ LNGS						5
	3.5 VNS bkg. characterization	RM1/2 LNGS						25
	3.6 Simulations	RM1/2						5
	3.7 Data analysis	RM1/2						
	Travels							108
<b>INFN R&amp;D</b>	4.1 Study of recoil yield	RM1/2 LNGS						n/a
	4.2 Study for <sup>51</sup> Cr (travels)	misc						16
<b>Total cost</b>								<b>379</b>



# External shield (Roma2)

- Cube of 1.1 m side external.
- Layers of 5 cm:
  - 500 bricks of lead 100 Bq/kg.
  - internal layers of (B?)-Polyethylene.
  - innermost layer of Cu, provided by TUM.



# MC Simulations (RM1, RM2)

- Already contributing to the simulation for the shield design (due by 12/19)
- Next contributions:
  - Evaluate the reliability of Monte Carlo codes at very low energy (Geant4 vs MCNP comparison).
  - Simulation for detector shielding design.
  - Simulation for the Veto system design and response.
  - Background model.

# Radioassay (RM2 - *LNGS*)

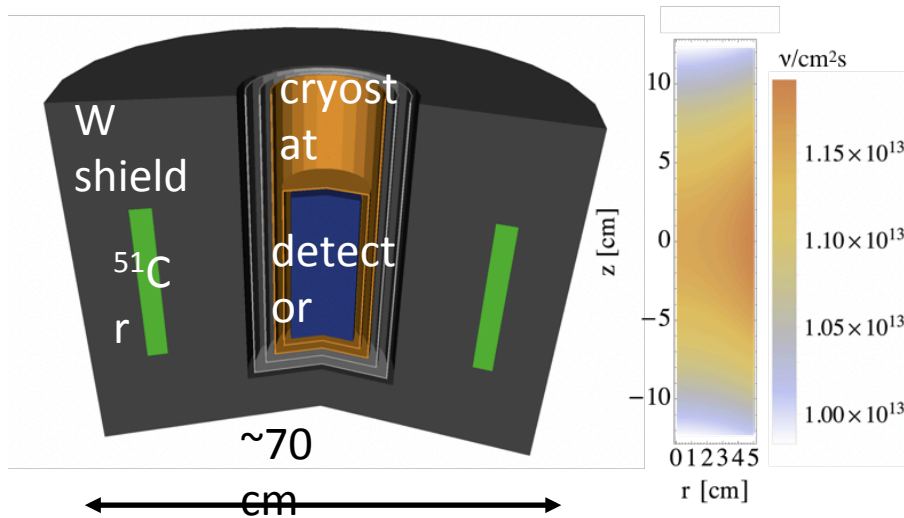
- Energy range 0-100 eV unexplored. Background not known a priori, estimation based on MC (reliable at such low energies?).
- Control of all possible background sources is mandatory O(mBq/kg).
- Measurements at MiB - Laboratorio di Radioattività
  - Detector components.
  - SQUIDS read-out system in proximity of the cryo-detector.
  - Shielding components.
  - Muon veto components

# R&Ds for Phase II

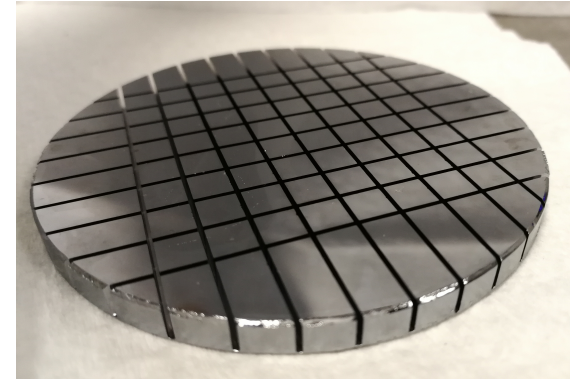
$^{51}\text{Cr}$ : Reuse of the 36 kg of  $^{50}\text{Cr}$  from GALLEX (INFN)

1% precision in 2 months on a  $2\text{ dm}^3$  Ge target

- Need neutron activation to  $^{51}\text{Cr}$
- Need detailed bkg. simulations



**BULLKID** (CSN5 2019-20): Array of KIDs to reach large targets



- 60 voxels of  $5 \times 5 \times 5\text{ mm}^3$
- Grooved in a 5 mm thick wafer
- KID lithography side opposite to grooves

## Recoil yield

- Phase II target: 1% precision.
- The “no quenching” statement of phonon detectors need dedicated measurements at low energies ( $< 1\text{ keV}$ ).

# NUCLEUS @ Tor Vergata

## Anagrafica

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## Richieste

- Consumo: 5 kE
- Apparati
  - ✓ 30 kE Schermo di Piombo di bassa radioattività
  - ✓ 10 kE Polietilene
- Inventario
  - ✓ 5 kE Server per simulazioni e analisi dati

# Conclusions

- Coherent scattering of neutrino is a new new field of research
- NUCLEUS has a well-defined scientific program (2020-22)
  - ▶ Could lead to world-best precision measurement of the x-sec.
  - ▶ Significant INFN contribution
- Next generation experiments (2023-):
  - ▶ Precision measurements
  - ▶ (%).Opportunity for leading INFN contribution.

