

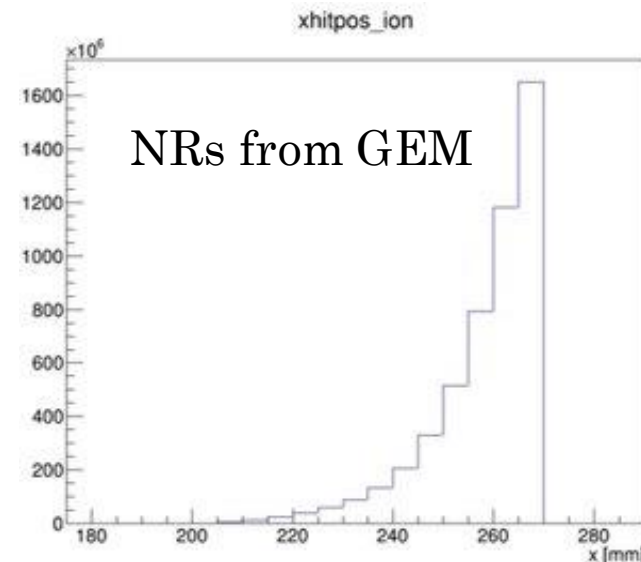
# LIME background simulation

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# Simulation tasks – background

- **LIME internal background**
  - GEM – done and analysed
  - Acrylic box – done and analysed
  - Field cage – done (to be analysed)
  - Resistors – to do (~200 hr)
  - Cathode – to do (~200 hr)
  - PMT, GEM supports, internal structure... – to do (?)
  - Copper and resistors activity is being measured by M.Laubenstein



Contribution	10 <sup>5</sup> ER/yr (0-20 keV)	10 <sup>5</sup> ER/yr (all)	NR/yr (0-20 keV)	NR/yr (all)
GEMs	0.69129	3.83753	311.62	17573.0
Acrylic Box	0.5245	2.7054	0	0

Note: for the acrylic box Po212 is missing because the simulation stopped (alpha 8.8 MeV)

# Simulation tasks

- For the camera body+lens simulation I need the CAD design of the shielding
- **SRIM ion simulation**
  - Carbon and fluorine ions simulation for 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 keV (to match the simulated He energies) - done
  - The computed ionization profiles are all uploaded on LNGS cluster
- **Digitization NR tracks** – 1000 ions, random drift, random direction
  - Done for 1,3,6,10,30,60,100 keV for He, C and F + 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 keV for He
  - Digitization of C and F at 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 keV (ongoing)
  - I tried to run the reconstruction code on LNGS cluster but it gets stuck

# Neutron simulation

- I got some interesting comments on my presentation for the admission to the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of PhD
- $(\alpha, n)$  reactions inside the shieldings can become significant, they must be taken into account
- GEANT4 is not the best program for neutron yield calculation (problems especially at low energy)
  - **MCNP** (Monte Carlo N-Particle) Transport Code, is usually used for neutron transport and interaction
  - **SOURCES4C** - A Code for Calculating  $(\alpha, n)$ , Spontaneous Fission, and Delayed Neutron Sources and Spectra
  - **SaG4n** – GEANT4 tool for  $(a, xn)$  simulations <http://win.ciemat.es/SaG4n/>
  - **MUSUN** (MUon Simulations UNderground)
  - We could also do a simulation of the expected neutron spectrum underground to be compared with the future measurement