

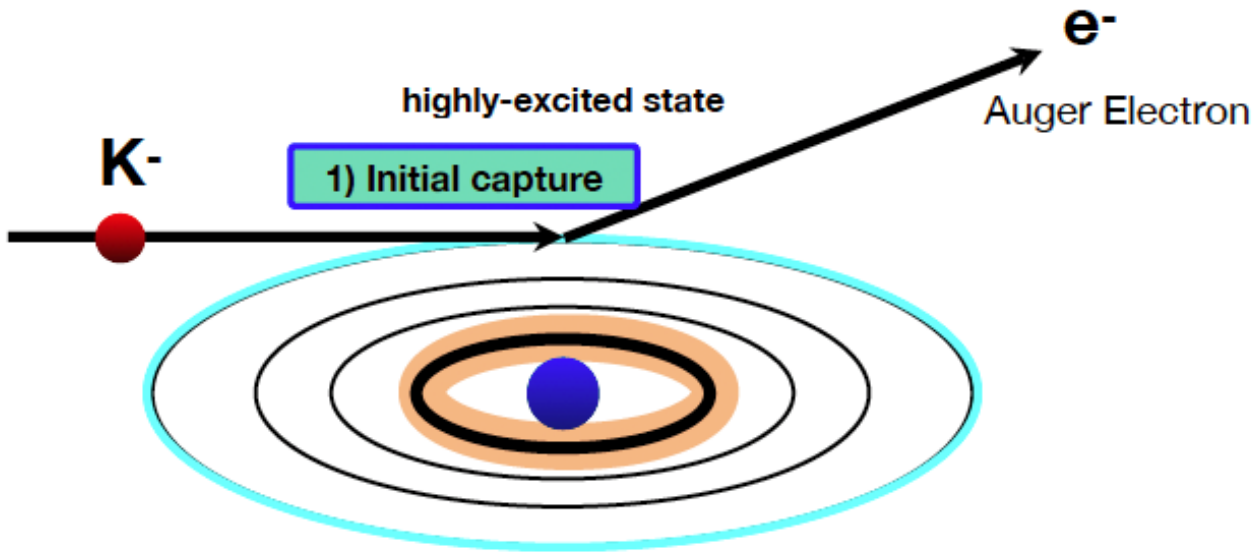
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**Catalina Curceanu, INFN – LNF  
on behalf of the SIDDHARTA-2 Collaboration**

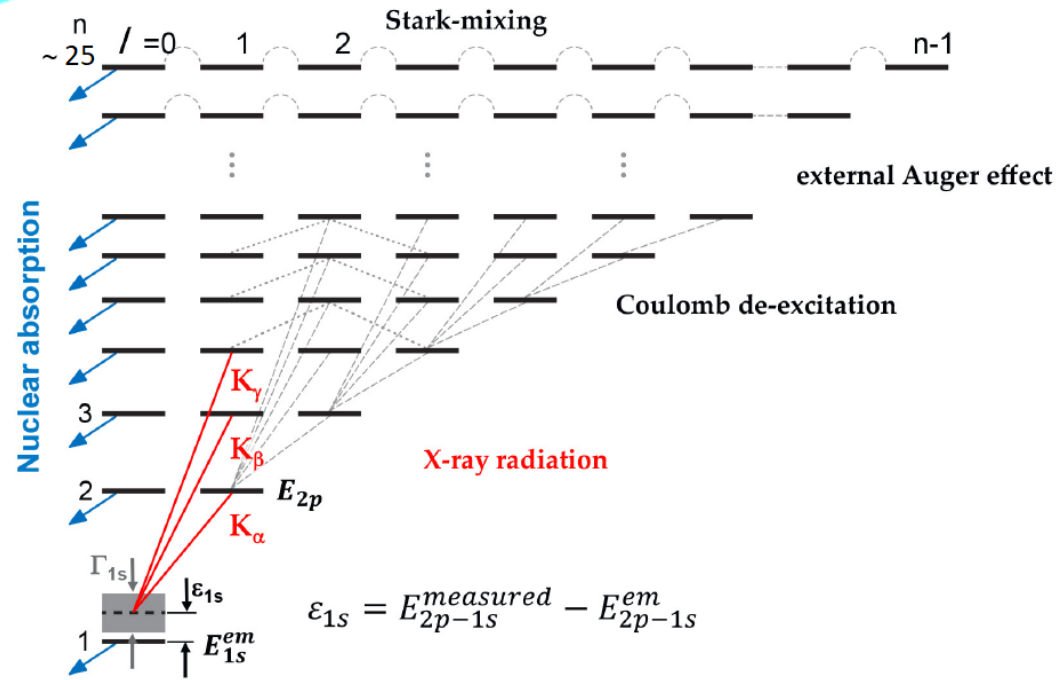
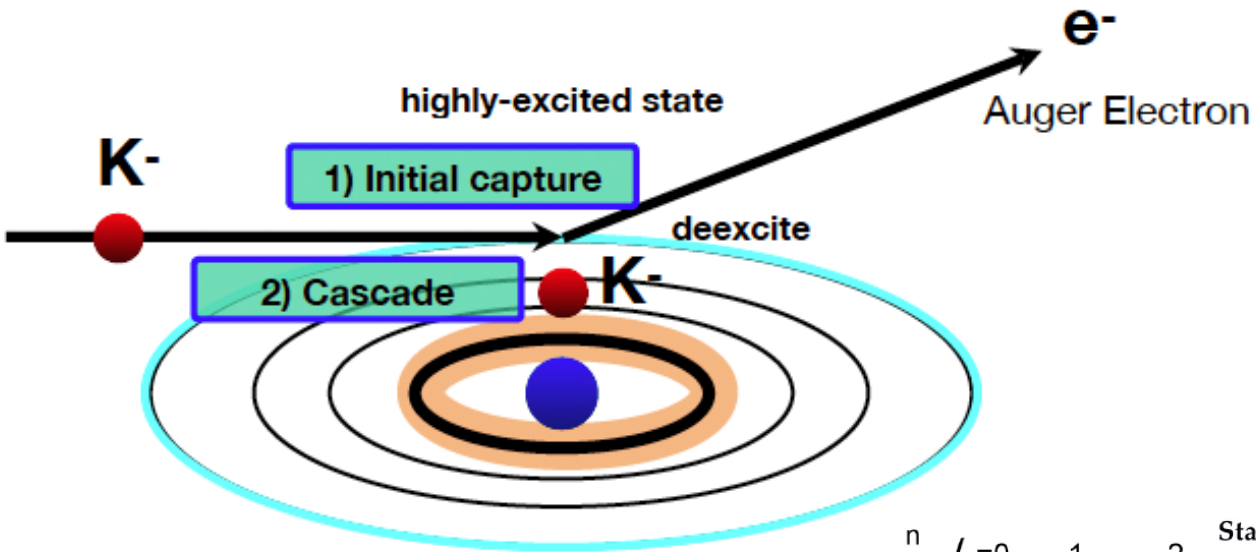


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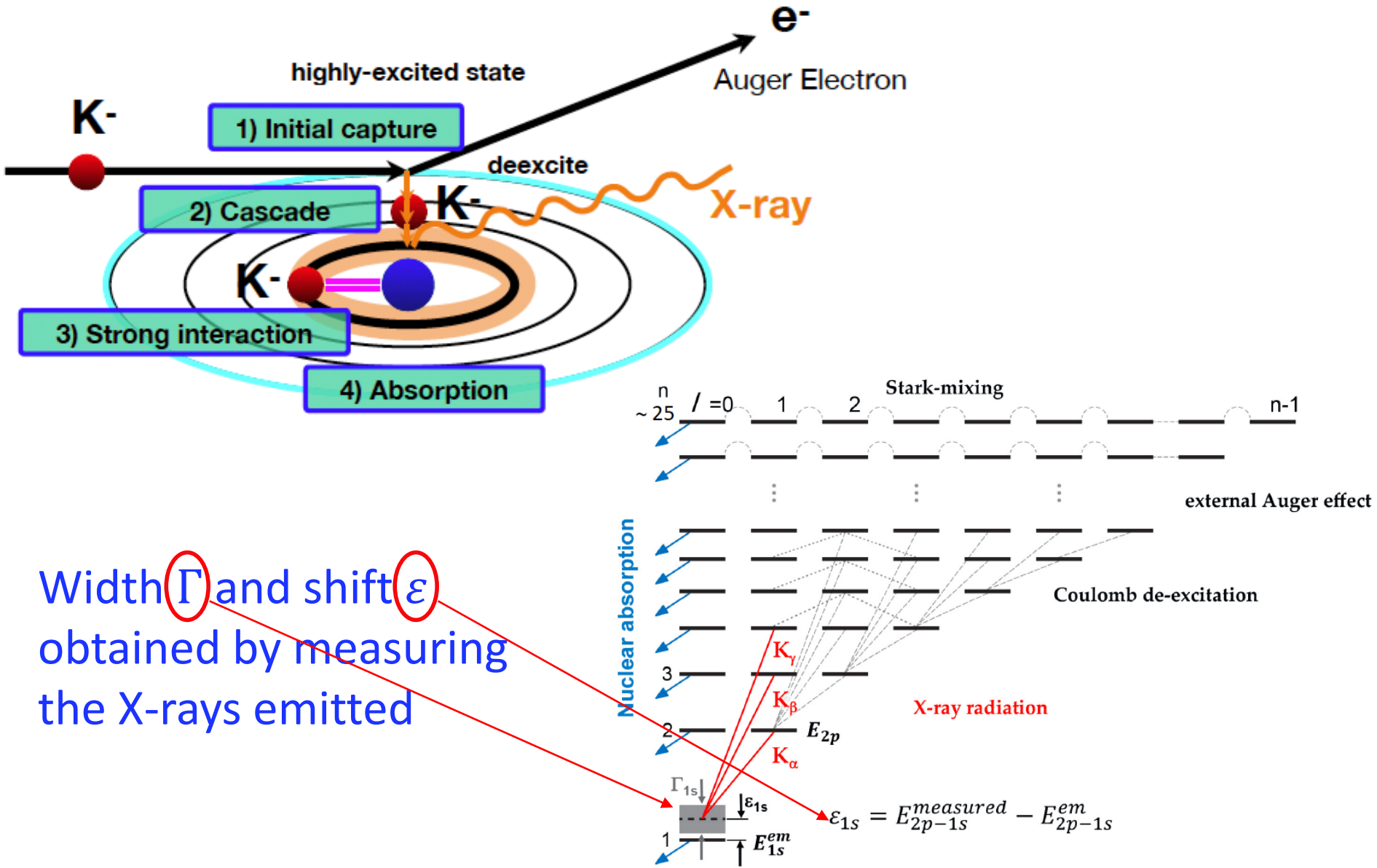
# Kaonic atom Formation



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# Kaonic atoms and the QCD effects



# SIDDHARTA-2 Collaboration

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Research by **T**iming **A**pplication

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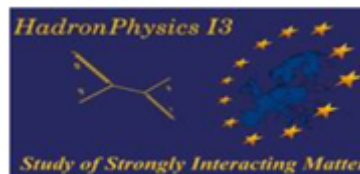
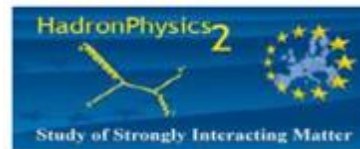
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Analysis of the combined measurements of kaonic deuterium and kaonic hydrogen

$$\varepsilon_{1s} - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{1s} = -2\alpha^3 \mu_c^2 a_{K^-p} (1 - 2\alpha\mu_c (\ln \alpha - 1) a_{K^-p})$$

( $\mu_c$  reduced mass of the  $K^-p$  system,  $\alpha$  fine-structure constant)

U.-G. Meißner, U.Raha, A.Rusetsky, Eur. phys. J. C35 (2004) 349  
next-to-leading order, including isospin breaking

$$\begin{aligned} a_{K^-p} &= \frac{1}{2}[a_0 + a_1] \\ a_{K^-n} &= a_1 \end{aligned}$$

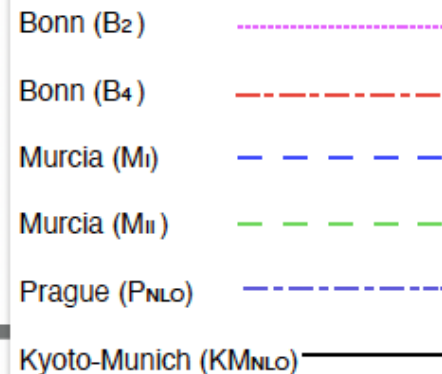
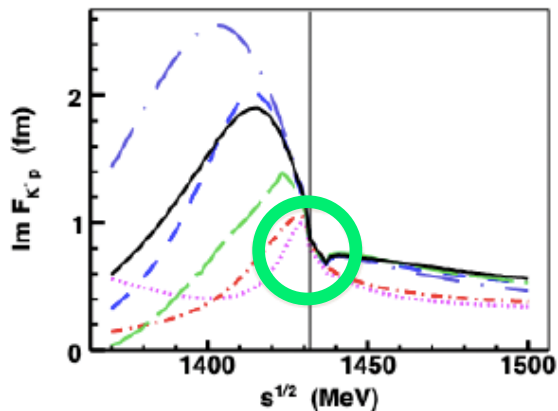
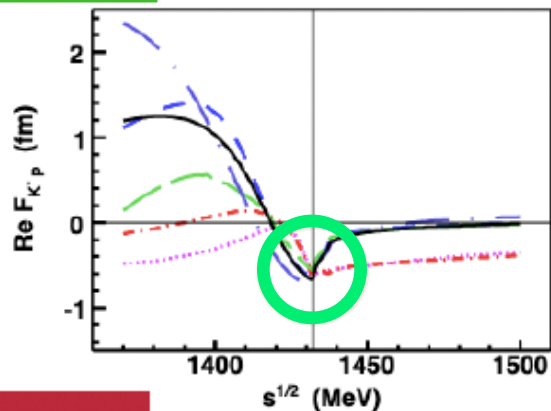


$$\begin{aligned} a_{K^-d} &= \frac{k}{2}[a_{K^-p} + a_{K^-n}] + C = \frac{k}{4}[a_0 + 3a_1] + C \\ k &= \frac{4[m_n + m_K]}{[2m_n + m_K]} \end{aligned}$$

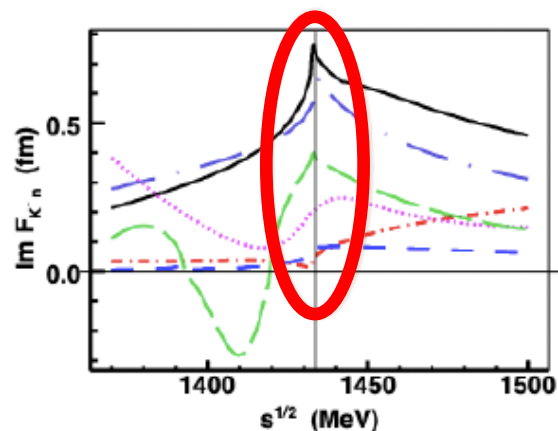
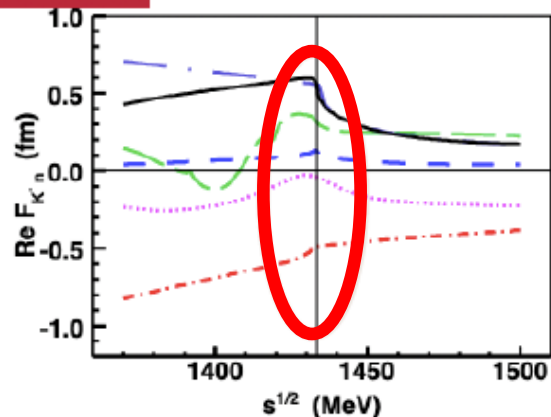
completely solve Isospin-dependent K-N scattering length

# Kaonic atoms – scattering amplitudes

K-p: agreement



K-n: disagreement





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## Recommendations SIDDHARTA

“The **SIDDHARTA-2** team should start taking data with the present **luminosity**, while working carefully on optimizing their S/B ratio as much as possible, like they have been doing in the past. Given the present background and machine conditions, it is important to know what is **the minimum integrated luminosity** required to get sensible results for the kaonic deuterium measurement.”

**We address this question – data taking planned to be started end of May/early June 2022; need (probably) to go end of 2022 and/or through 2023 to get sensible results**

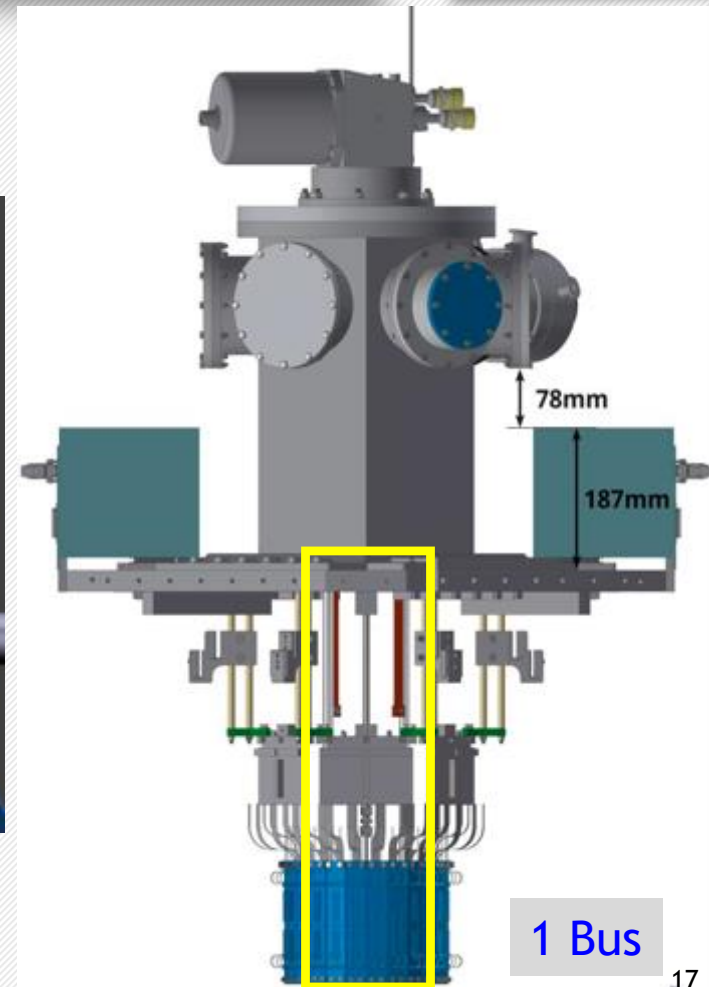
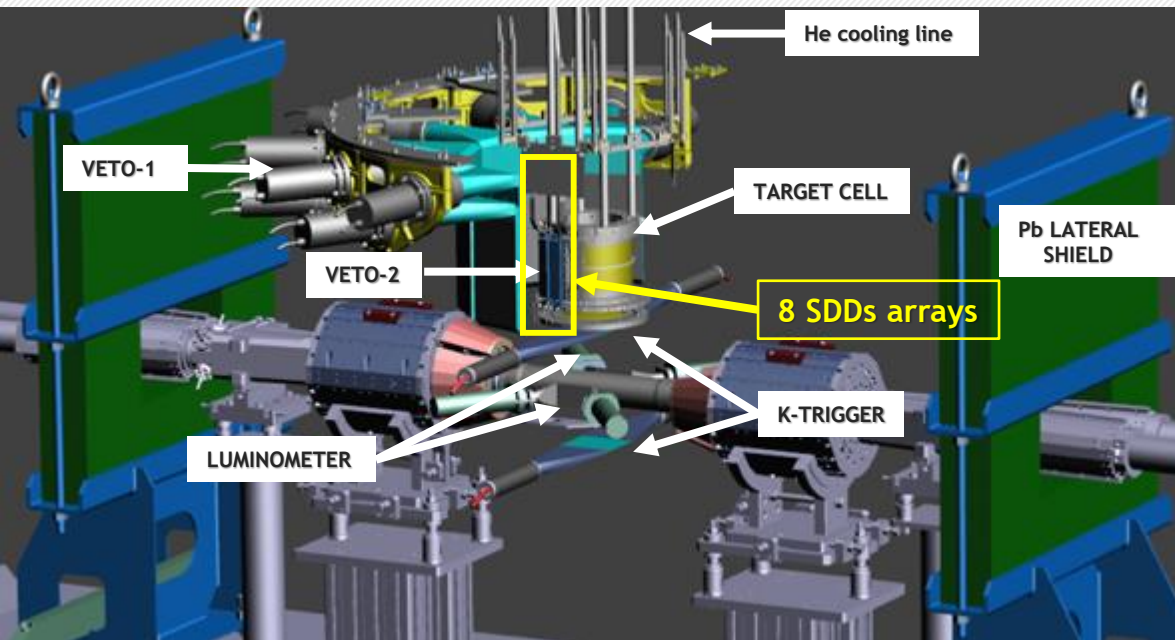
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# SIDDHARTINO run

Schematic representation of SIDDHARTINO setup



# SIDDHARTINO setup (1/6 SDDs)

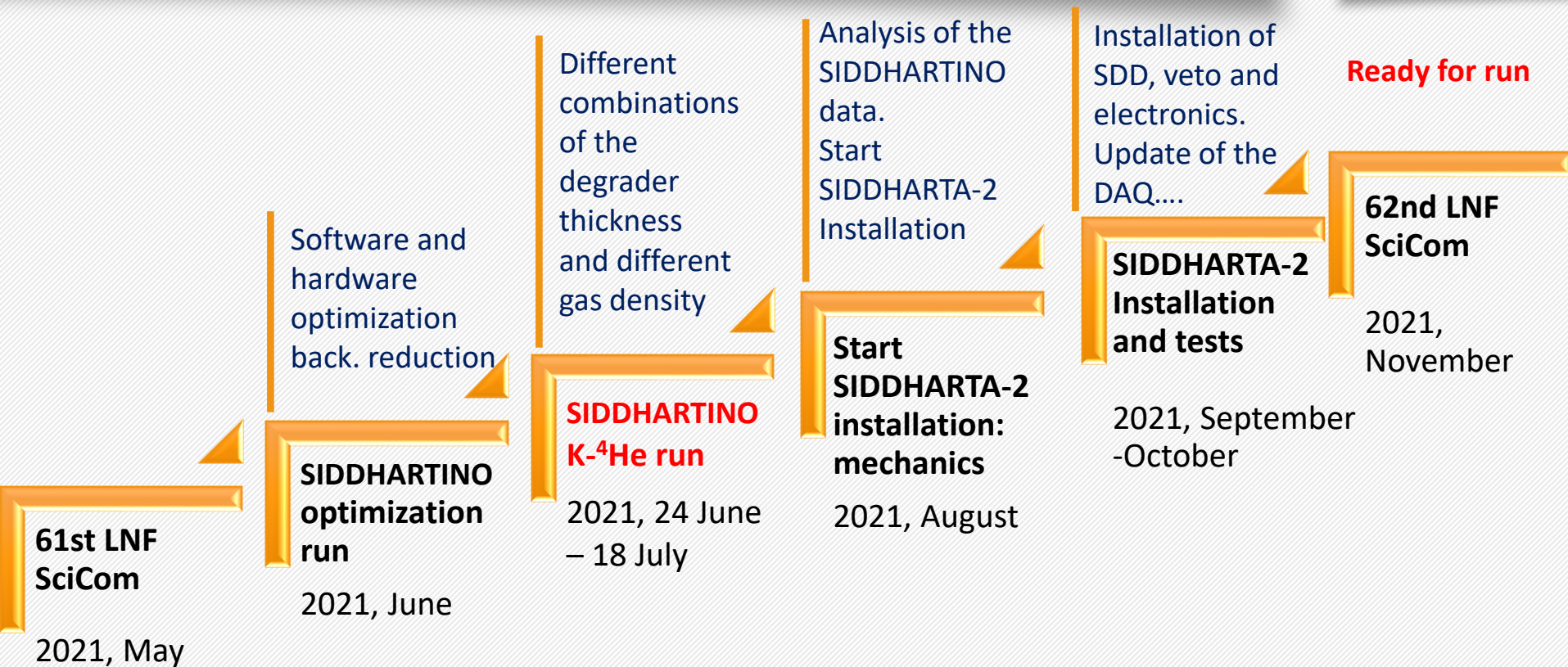


\* Phase 1 with  
SIDDHARTINO:

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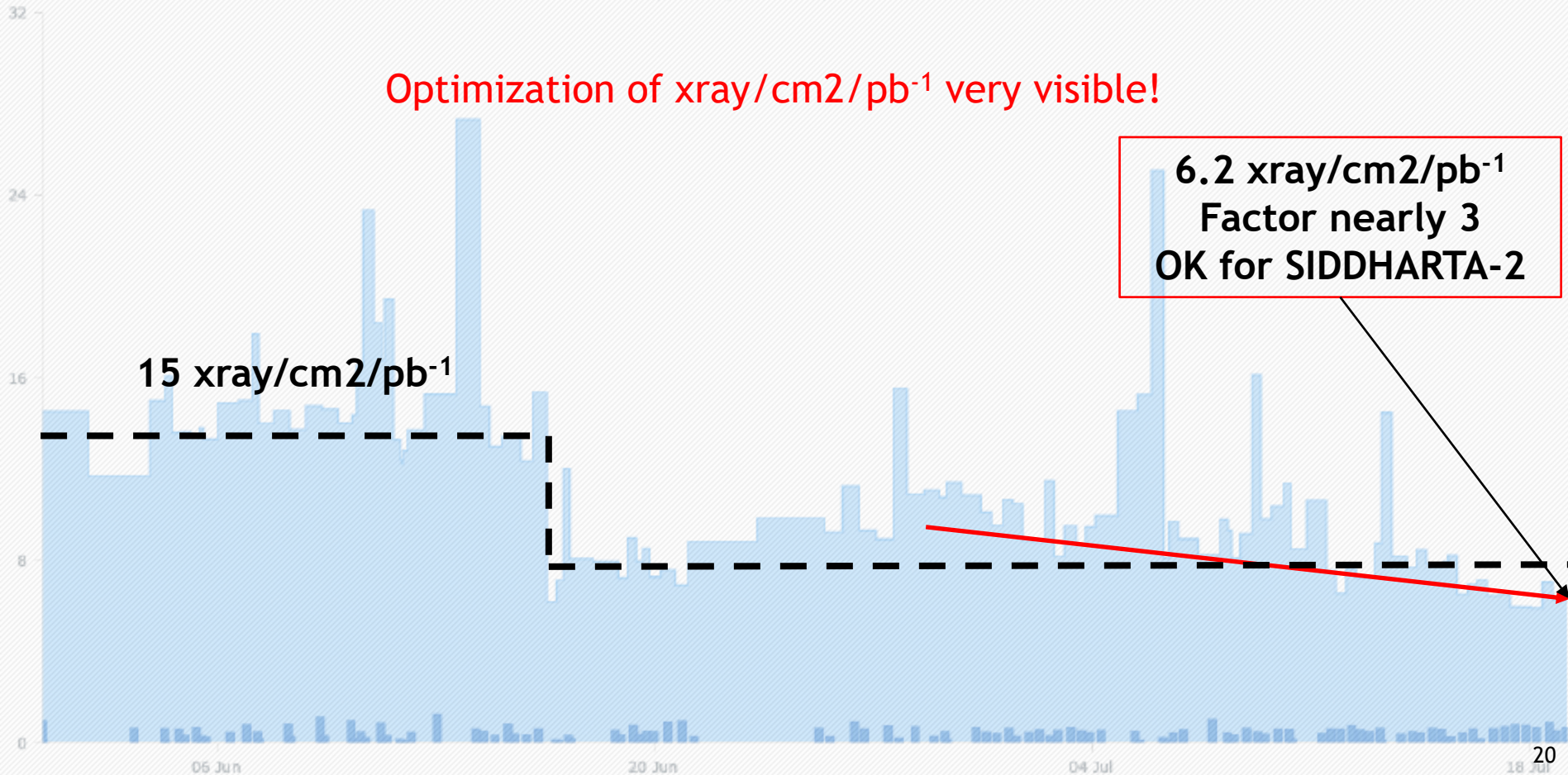
optimization with the  
SIDDHARTINO setup  
for the **K-<sup>4</sup>He measurement**  
(with 8 SDD arrays)

# Project timeline -shown at the last SciCom



# SIDDHARTINO - xray/cm2/pb<sup>-1</sup>

xray/cm2/pb-1 and pb-1 vs time



# SIDDHARTINO data - Integrated Luminosity

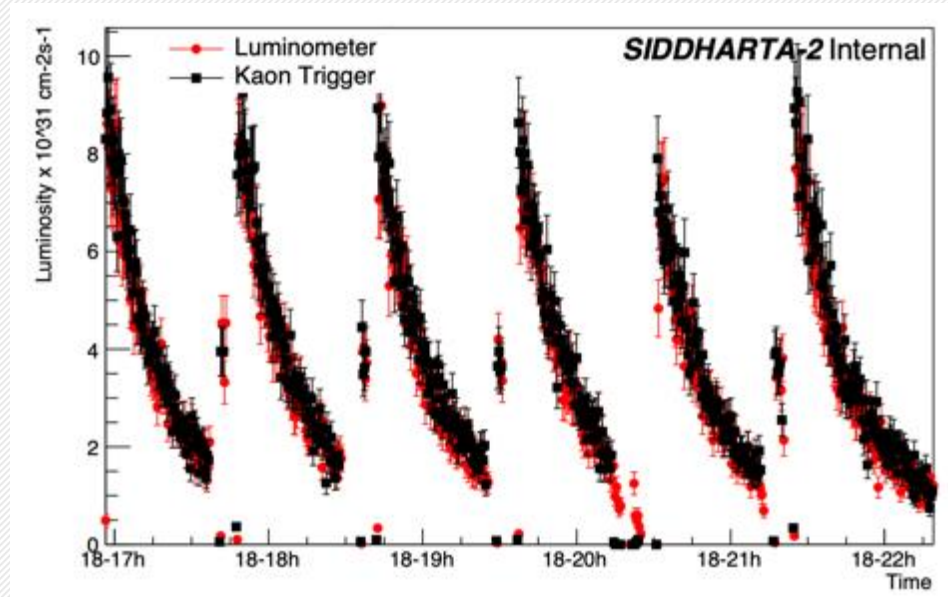
Total integrated luminosity:  
 $54 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Optimization run:  
 $24 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Kaonic  $^4\text{He}$  run:  
 $30 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

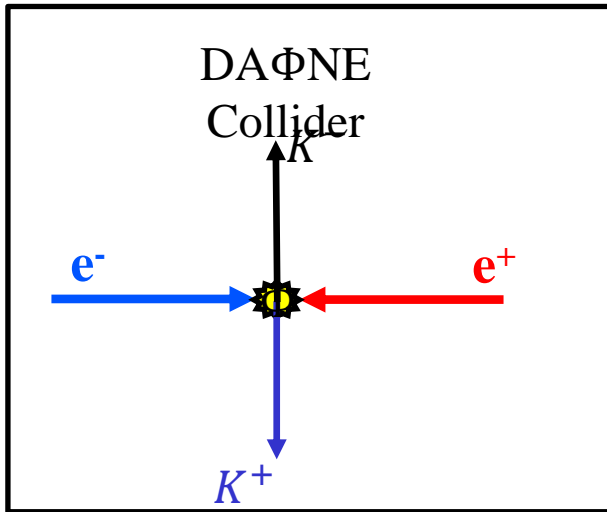
Trigger, DAQ, SDD optimization

Degrader optimization, low and high  $^4\text{He}$  density measure

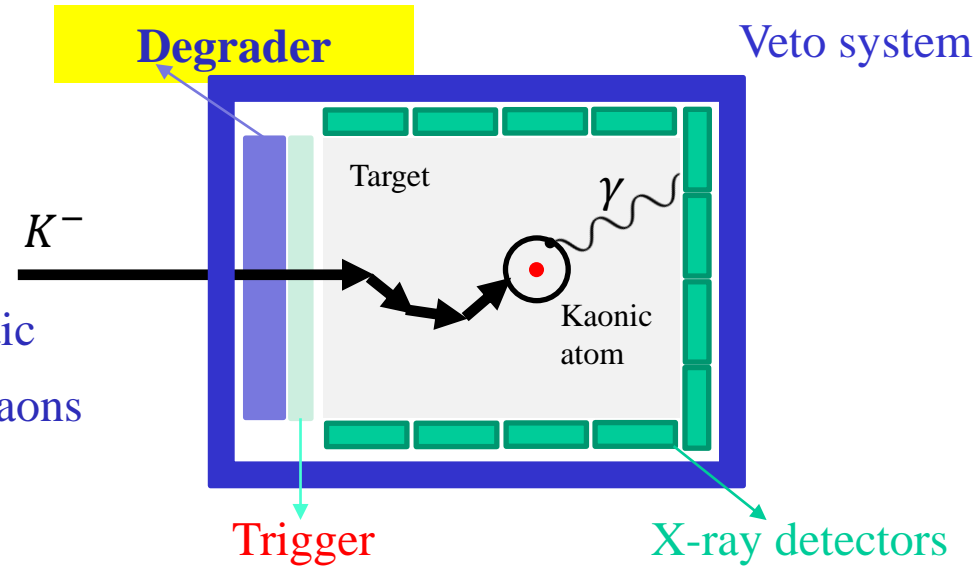


Kaon monitor and Luminometer measure at the end of SIDDHARTINO run

# Experimental Principle

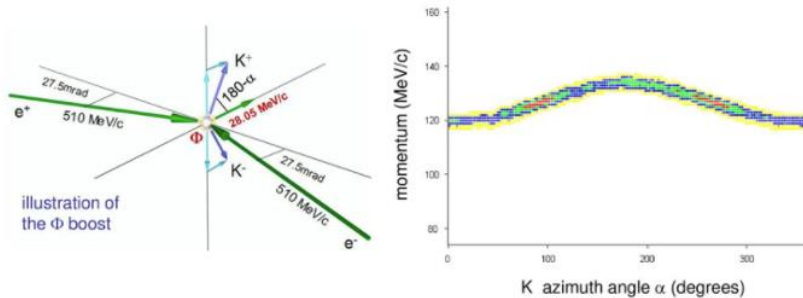
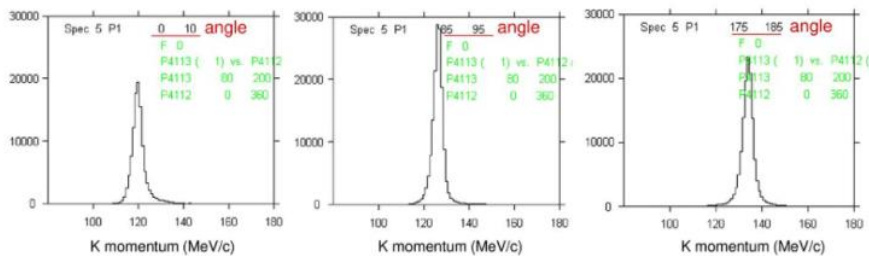


Monochromatic  
Low energy kaons  
Solid angle

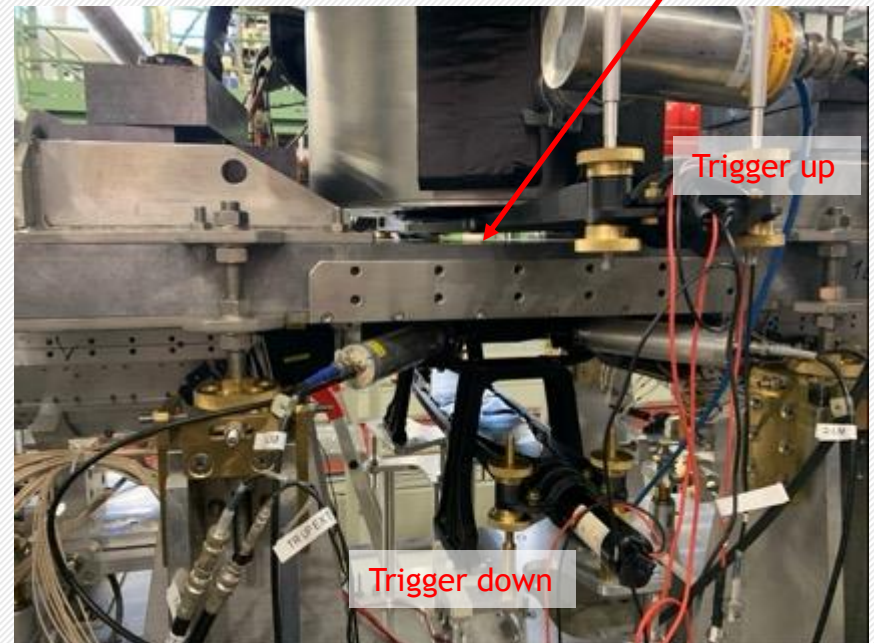


# Degrader Optimization

Kaon momentum - at the  $\Phi$  vertex



the degrader is composed of mylar foil (micron) and is placed below the trigger up



Degrader thickness optimization is fundamental to maximize the number of stopped kaons in the target

## A new kaonic helium measurement in gas by SIDDHARTINO at the DAΦNE collider\*

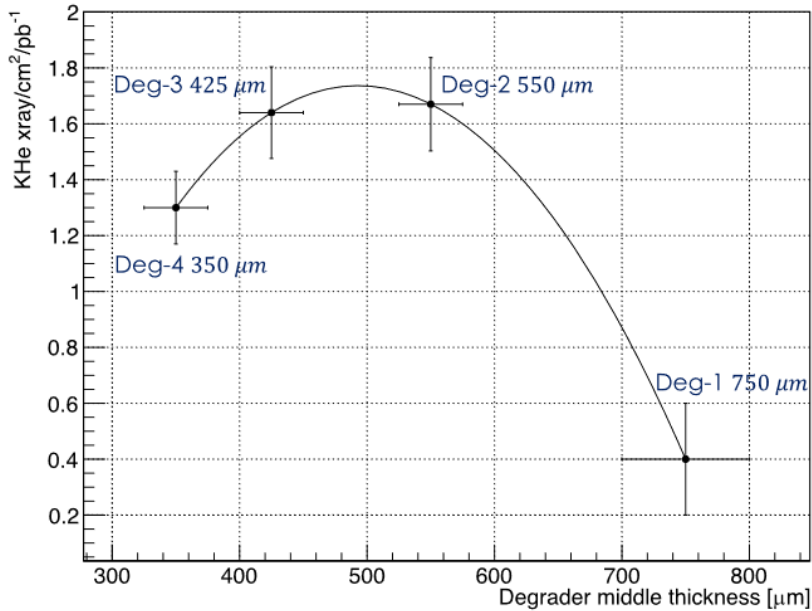


Figure 5. Degradation optimization curve: the horizontal axis is the central thickness and the vertical one the corresponding  $K^4\text{He}(3d \rightarrow 2p)$  signal normalized by integrated luminosity and effective detection surface.

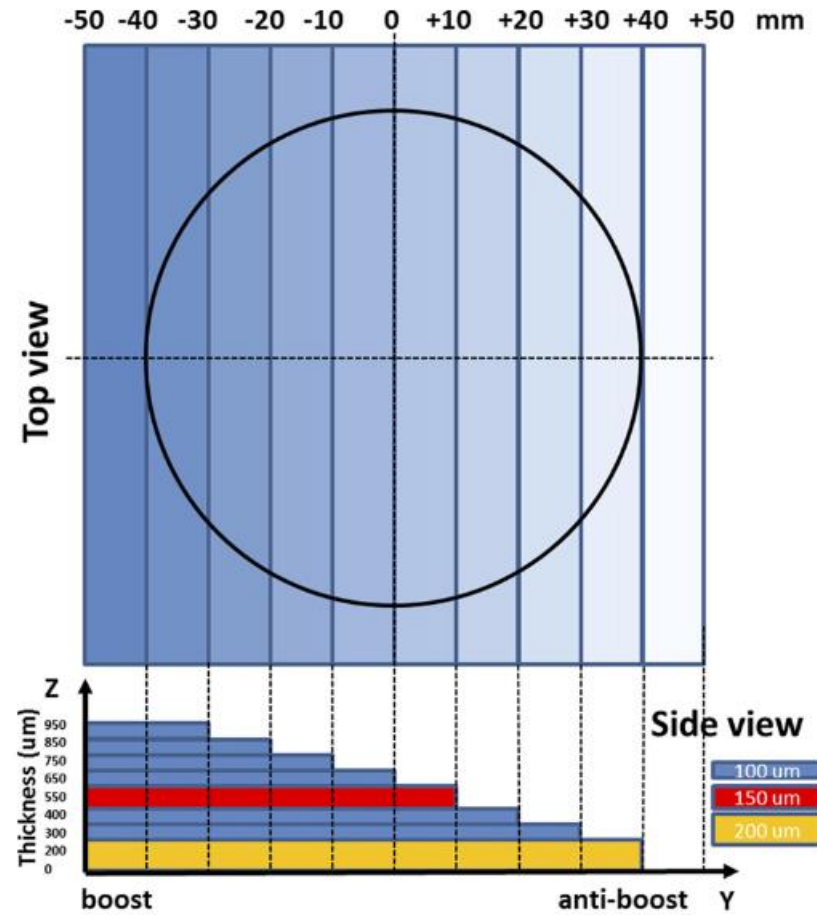
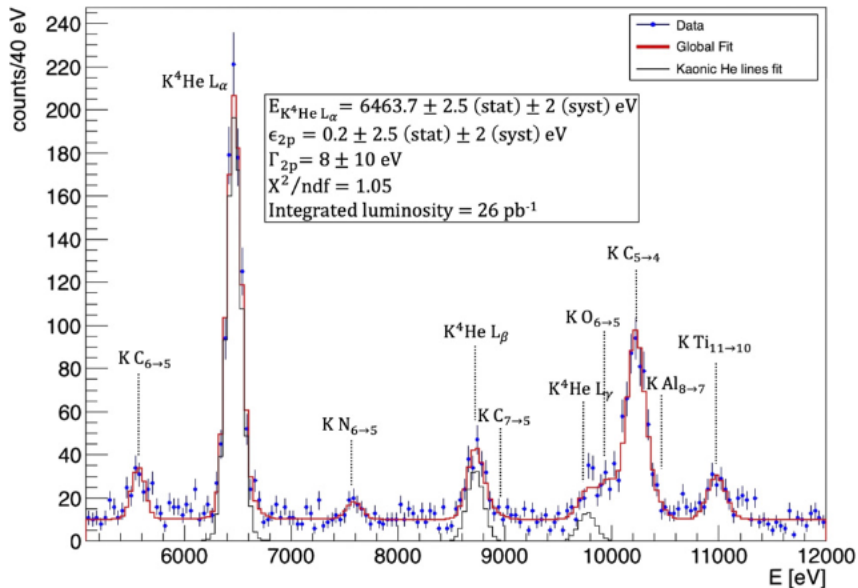


Figure 6. Nearest to optimal configuration of the Mylar degrader: the circle represents the size of the entrance window of the vacuum chamber; direction 'Y' points to the outer side of the DAΦNE ring, corresponding to the anti-boost side for kaons. The degrader has eight steps to compensate for the boost effect, with thicknesses shown in the lower part of the figure.



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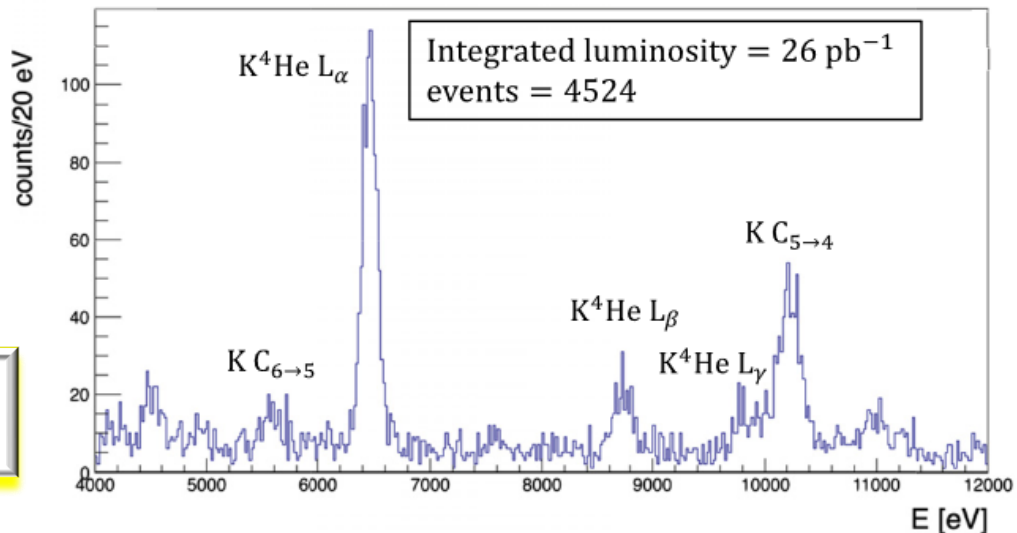
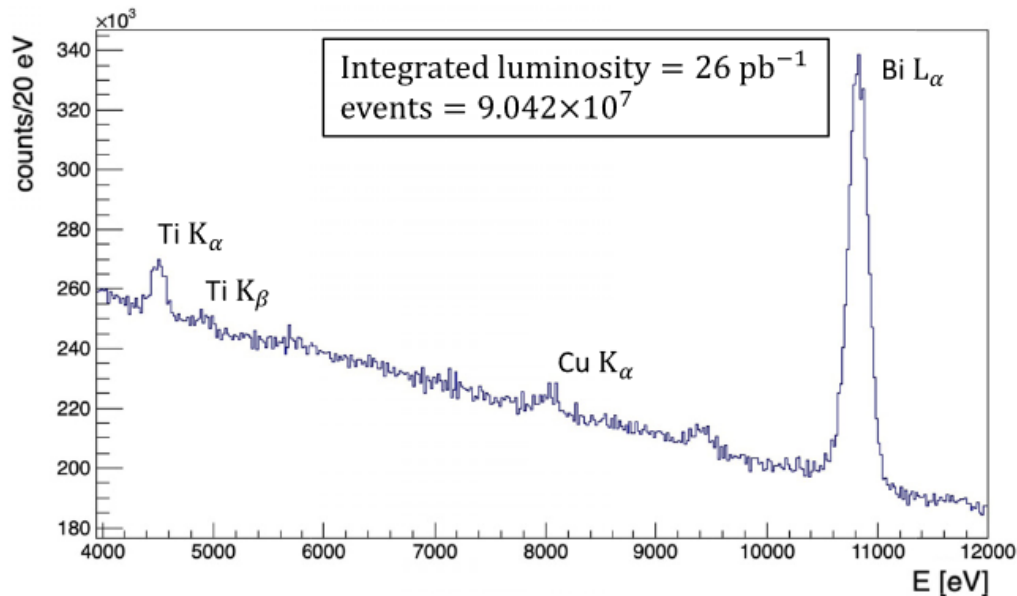


**Figure 7.** Fit (red line) of the  $K^4\text{He}$  energy spectrum. The  $L\alpha$  peak is seen together with the  $L\beta$  and  $L\gamma$  ones (black lines). The peaks labeled as KN, KC, KAl, KTi (dotted lines) are the kaonic atoms lines produced by the kaons stopped in the Kapton ( $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_5\text{N}_2$ ) walls of the target cell and in other parts of the setup (see text for details).

$$\epsilon_{2p} = E_{\text{exp}} - E_{\text{e.m}} = 0.2 \pm 2.5(\text{stat}) \pm 2.0(\text{syst}) \text{ eV}$$

$$\Gamma_{2p} = 8 \pm 10 \text{ eV (stat).}$$

# The most precise KHe measurement in gas



**Figure 4.** Spectra without (top) and with (bottom) KT selections, from which the  $\simeq 10^5$  rejection factor can be obtained (bottom). See text for details.

# Kaonic helium-4 L series X-rays yields in gas measured by SIDDHARTINO

## Kaonic atoms cascade processes (yields)

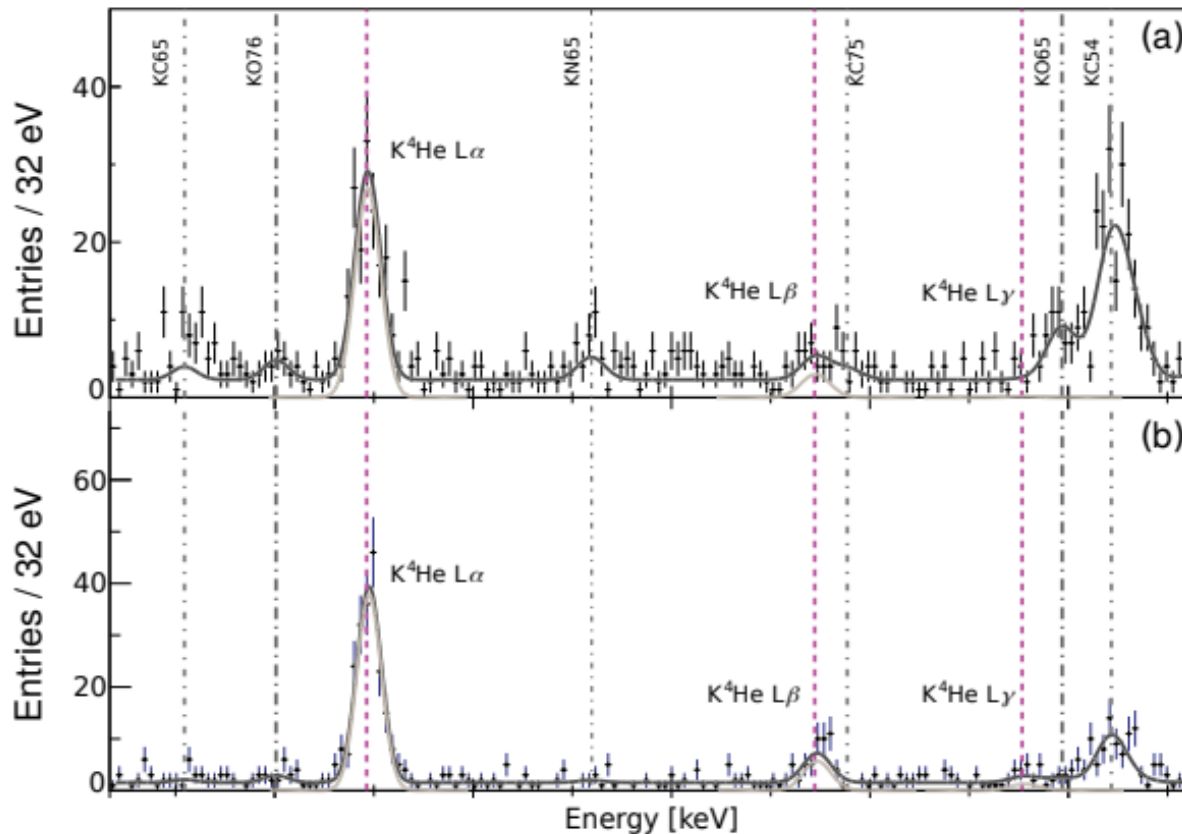


Figure 2. X-ray kaonic helium-4 spectra measured by SIDDHARTINO for: (a) 0.9 g/l target gas density, corresponding to  $4.3 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity; (b) 1.9 g/l target gas density, corresponding to  $9.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity.

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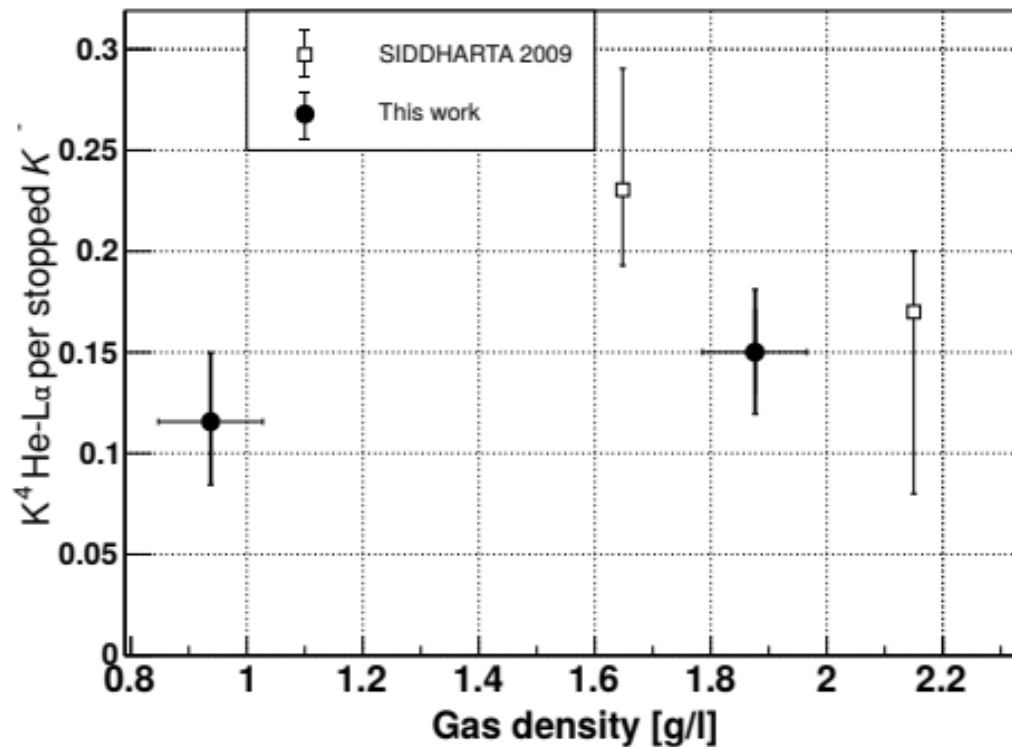


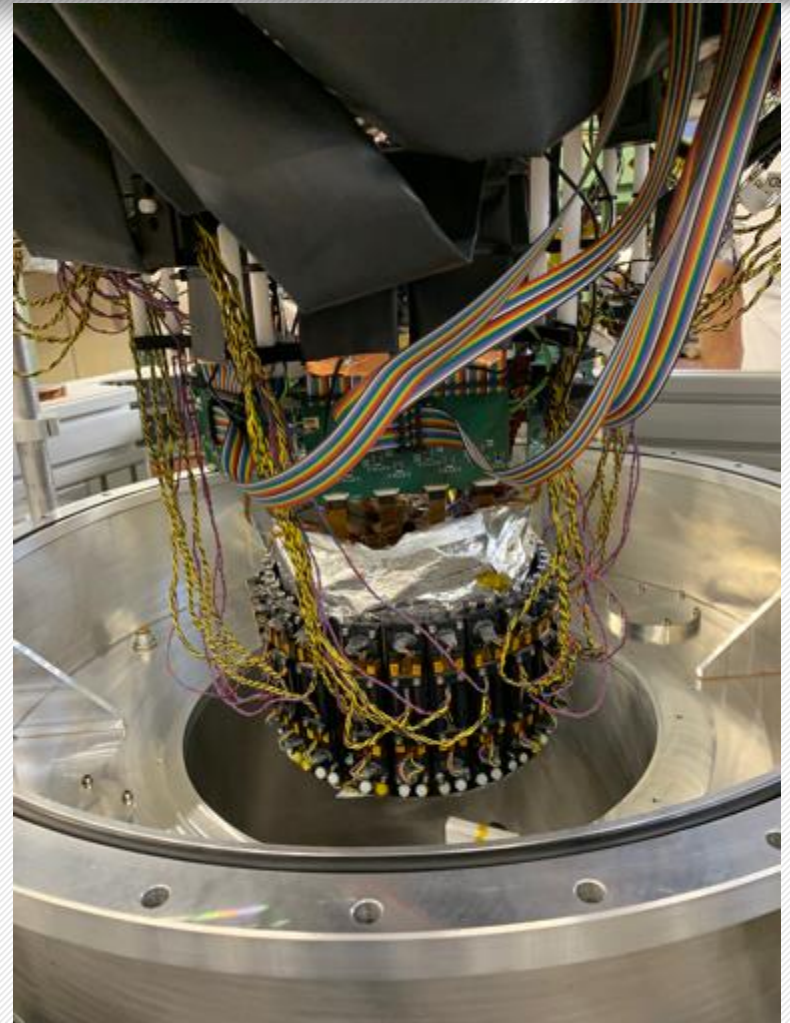
Figure 3. The  $L_{\alpha}$  X-ray yield of  $K^{-4}\text{He}$  as function of the X-rays target density from all gaseous target measurement: this work (filled dots) and SIDDHARTA experiment [13] (hollow dots).

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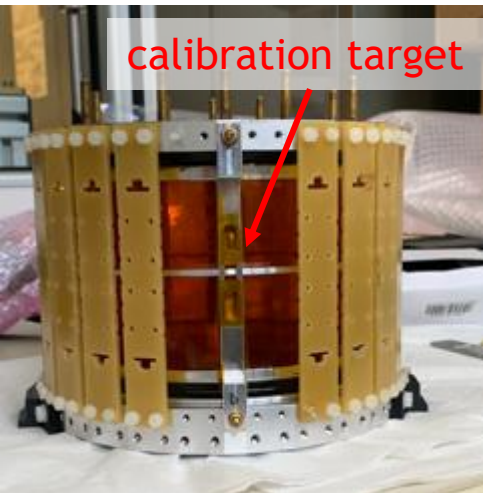
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# Installation of SIDDHARTA-2

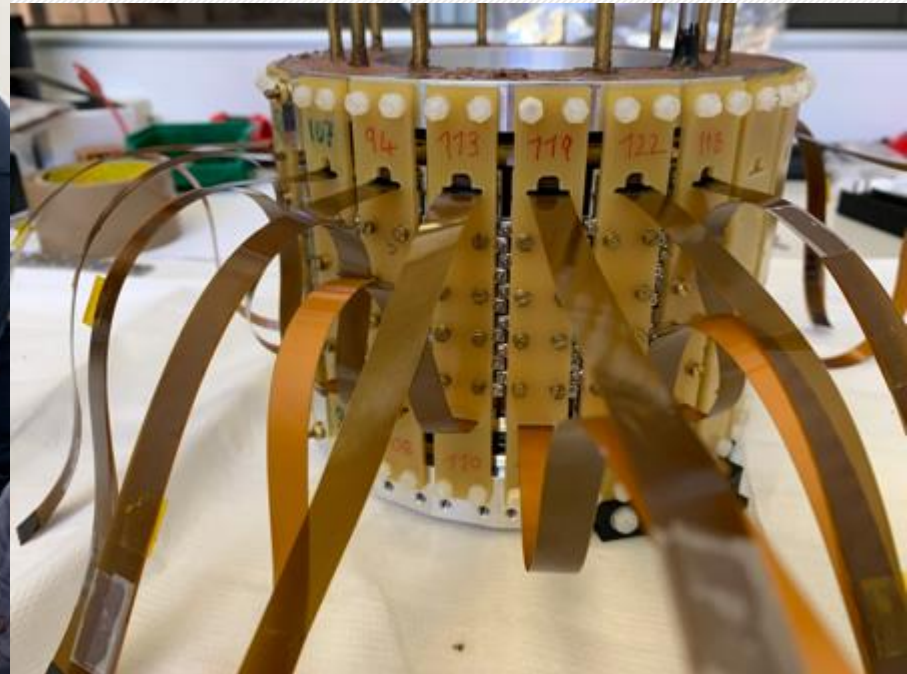
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- **Front-end electronic installation**
- **Veto-1 installation**



# SDD installation

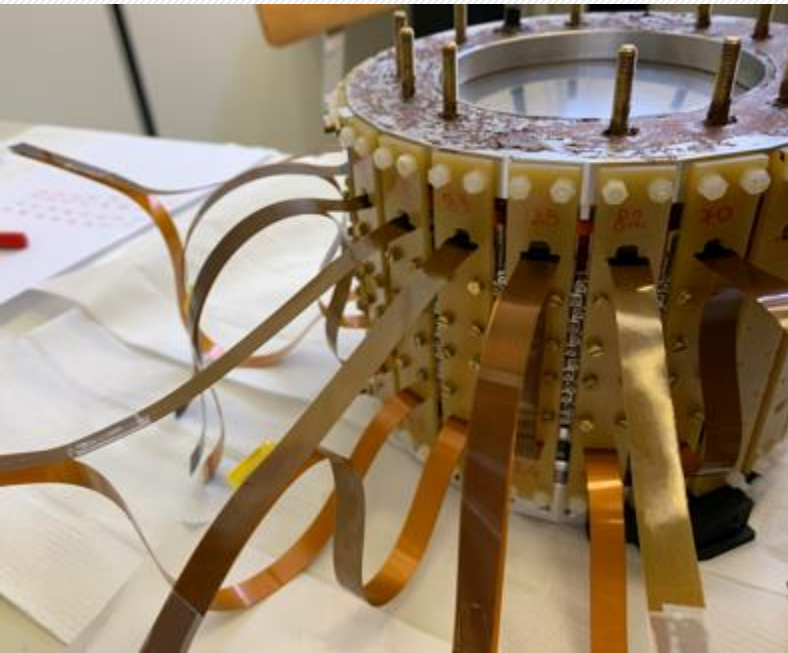


SDD installed around the target

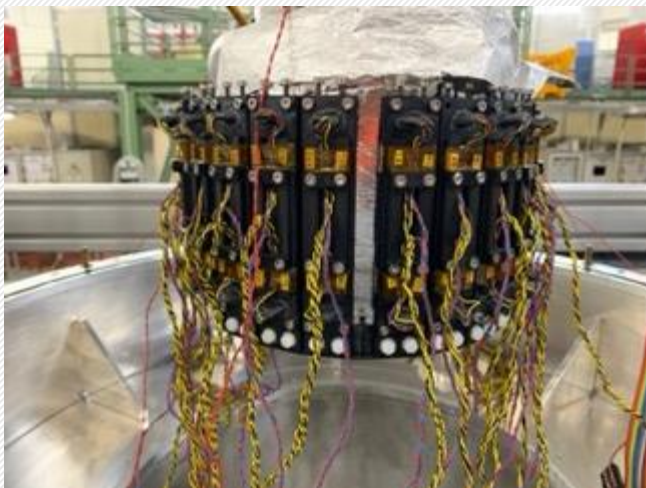
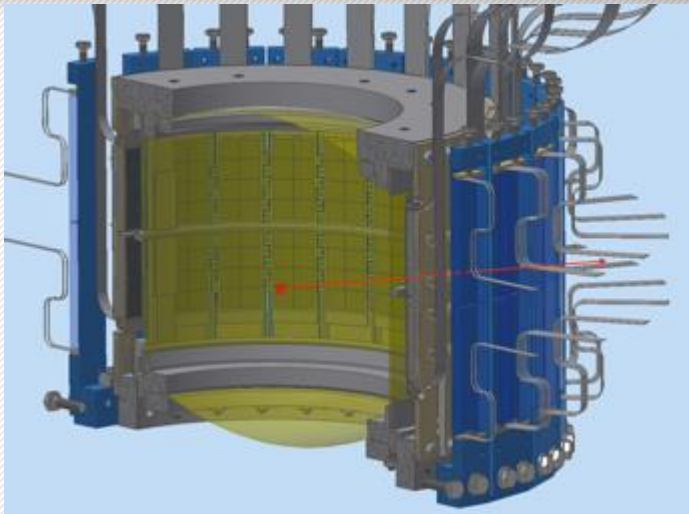


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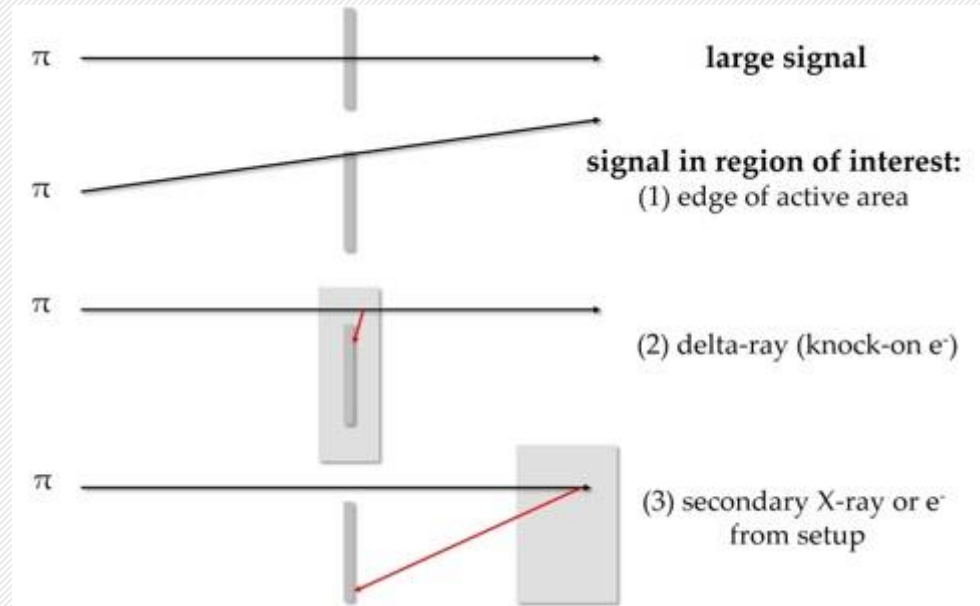
Wrap for thermal isolation



# Veto-2 installation



## Working principle of veto-2 system





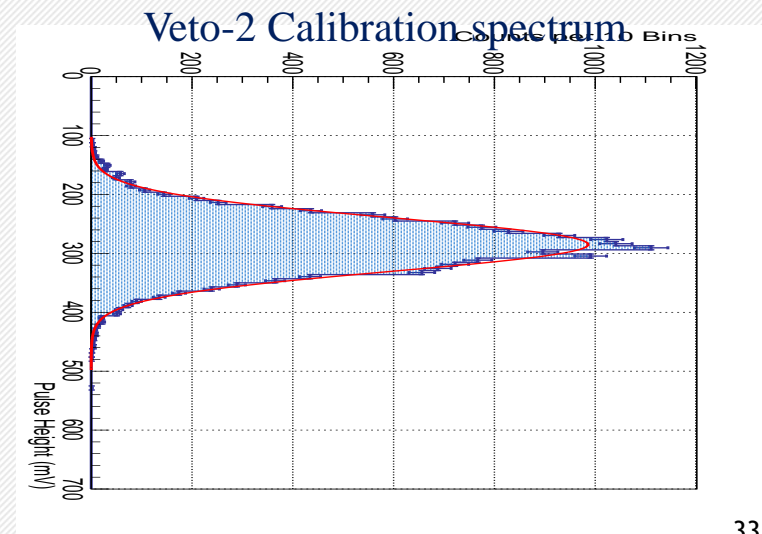
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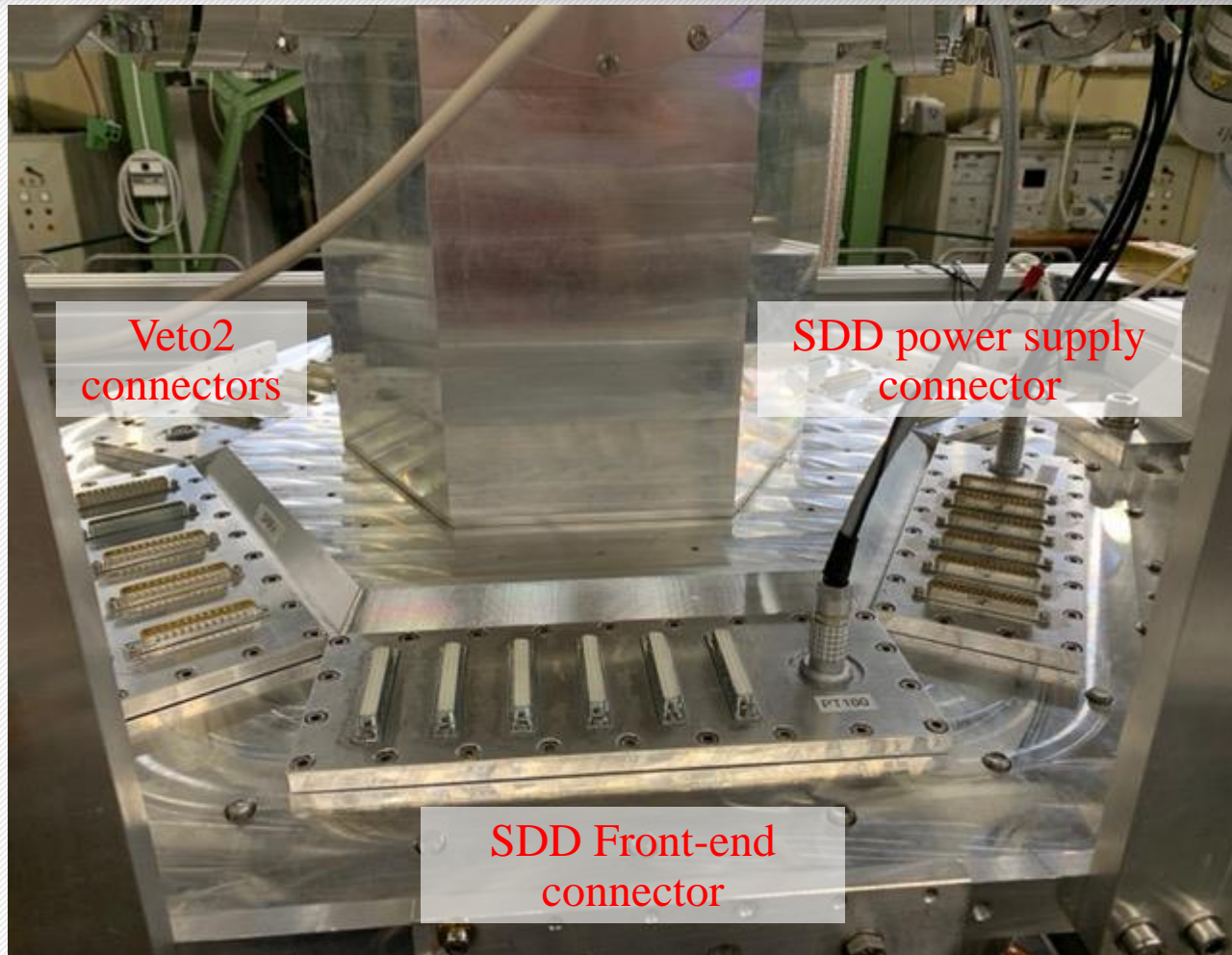
- The installation of veto 2 has been completed and the correct operation of each unit has been verified
- Each veto-2 unit is equipped with an LED that will allow to calibrate and verify the correct functioning of the system with and without beams



Veto-2 single unit



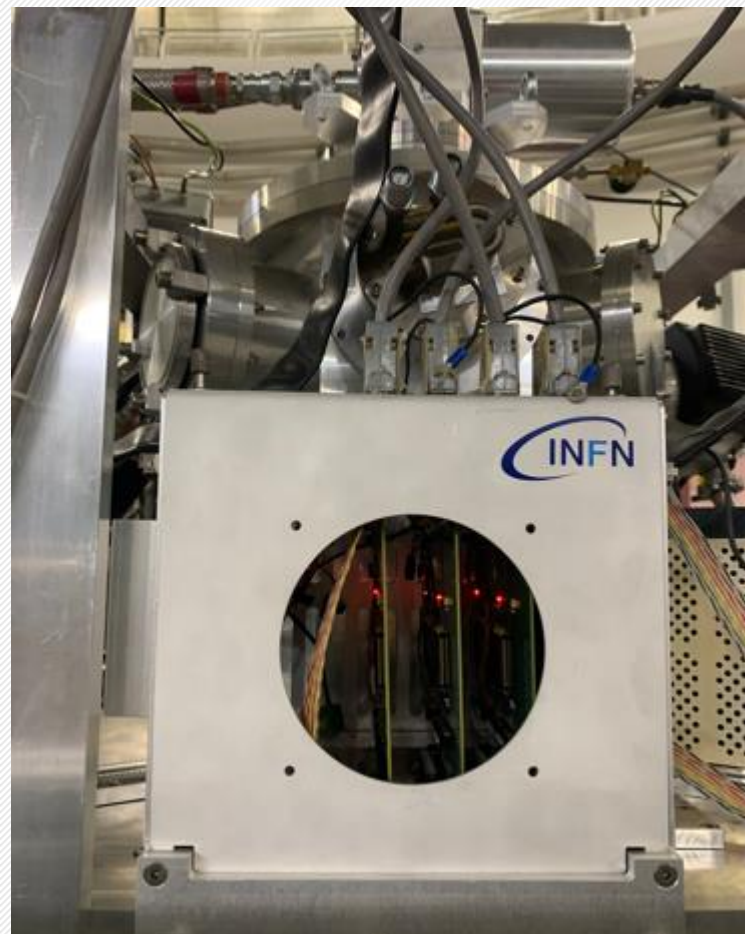
# Front-end electronics installation



**SIDDHARTA-2 setup  
before the installation of  
electronic components**

# Front-end electronics installation

Electronic Box

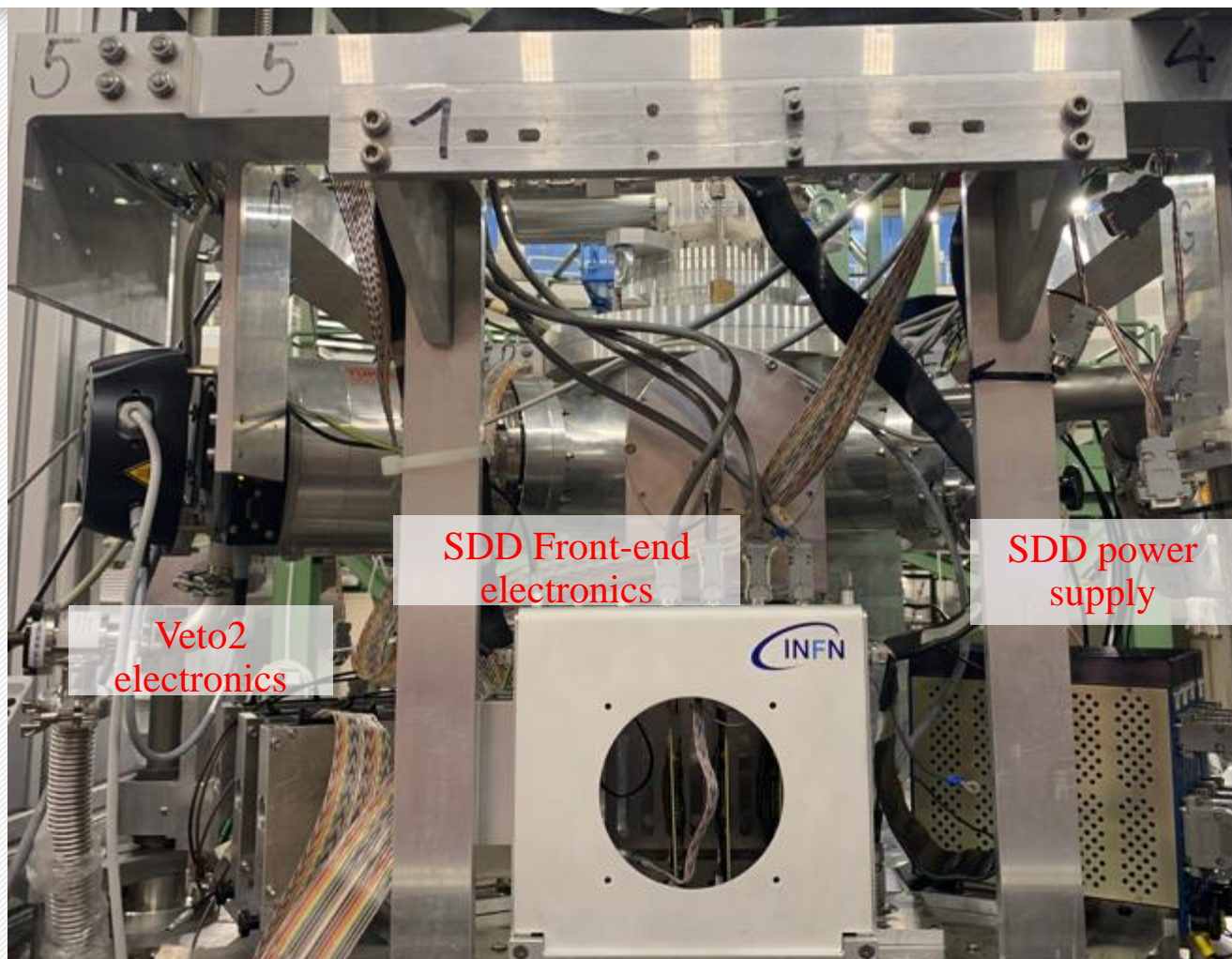


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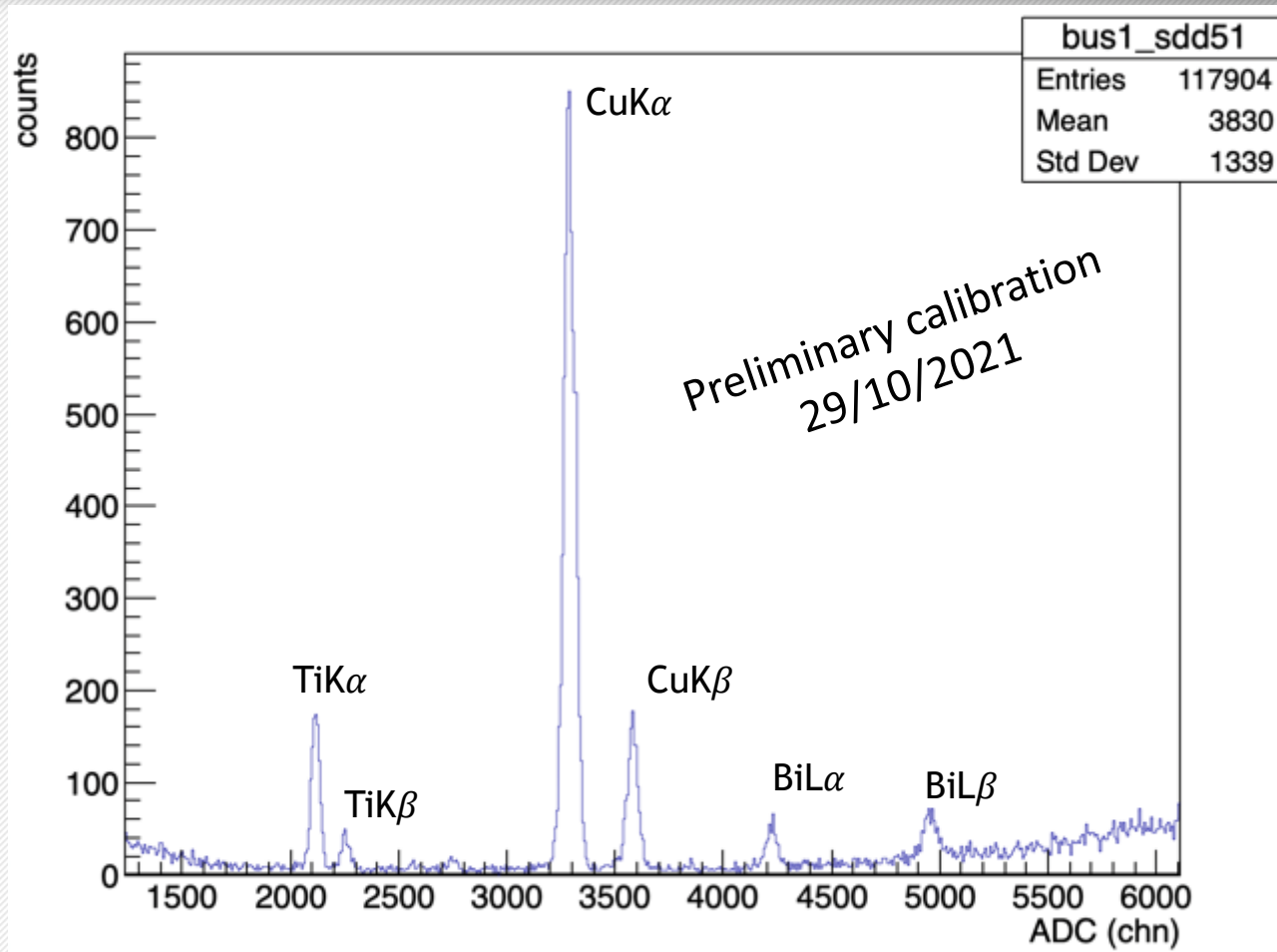


Veto-2  
Front-end electronics

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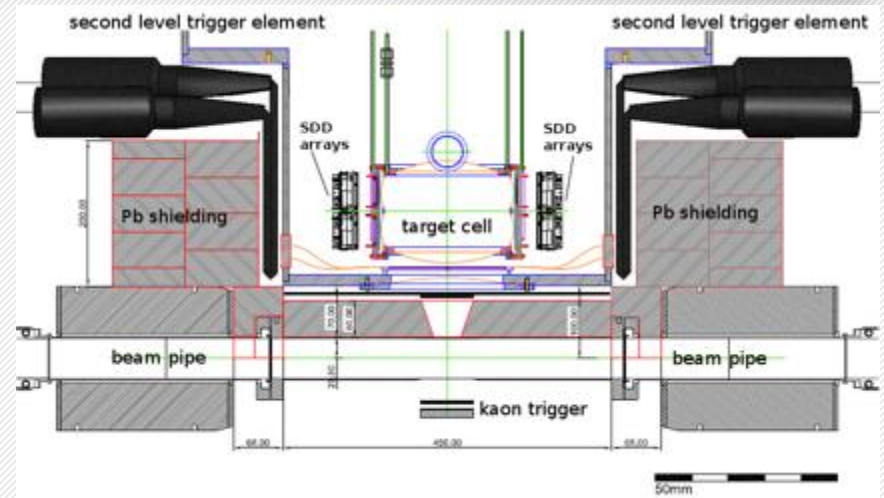
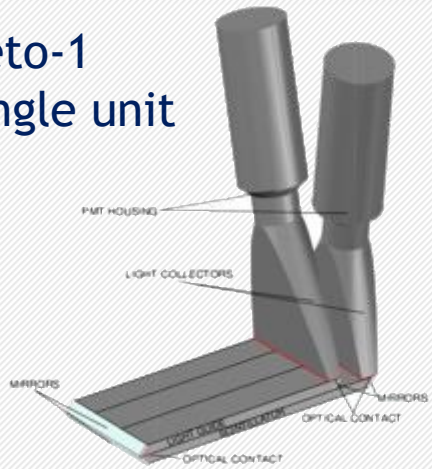


# SDD calibration spectrum acquired with SIDDHARTA-2



# Veto-1 system installation

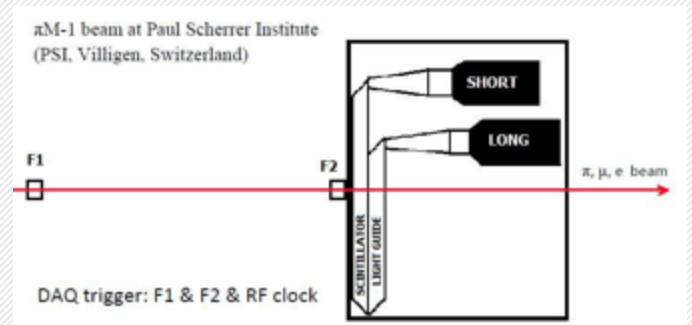
Veto-1 single unit



Drawing of the veto-1 elements placed around the vacuum chamber

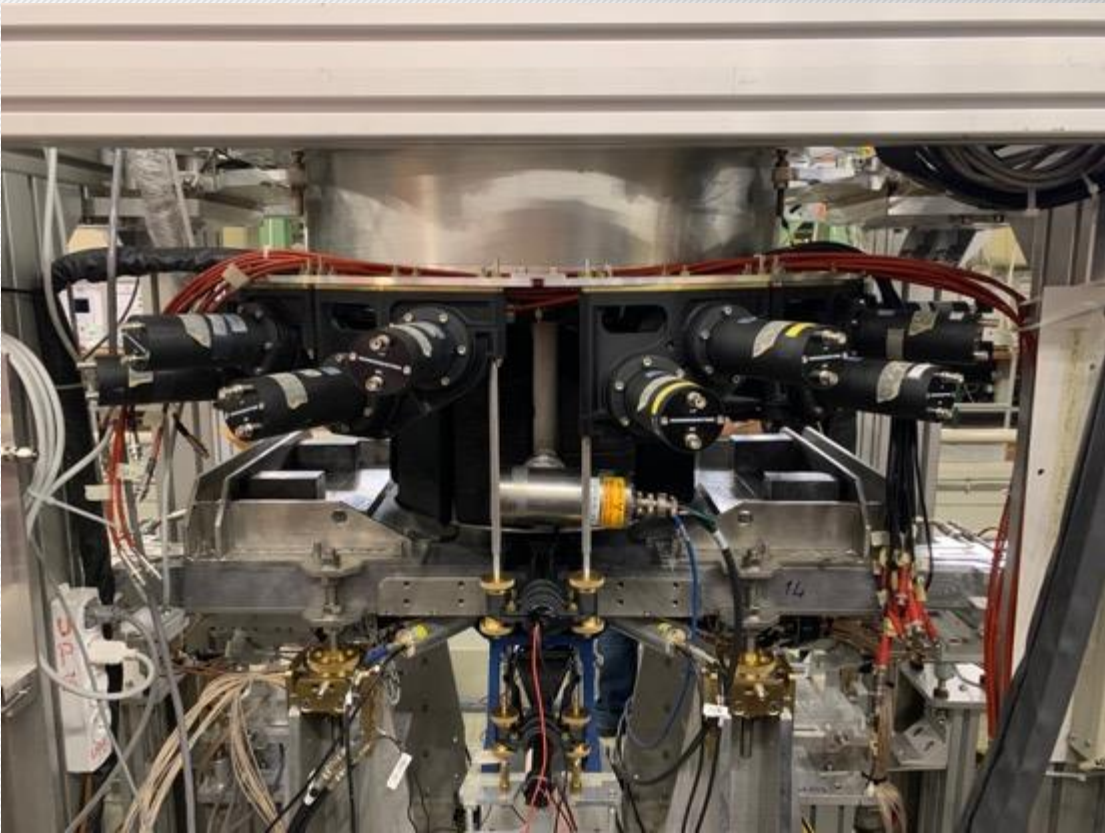


## Working principle of veto-1 system



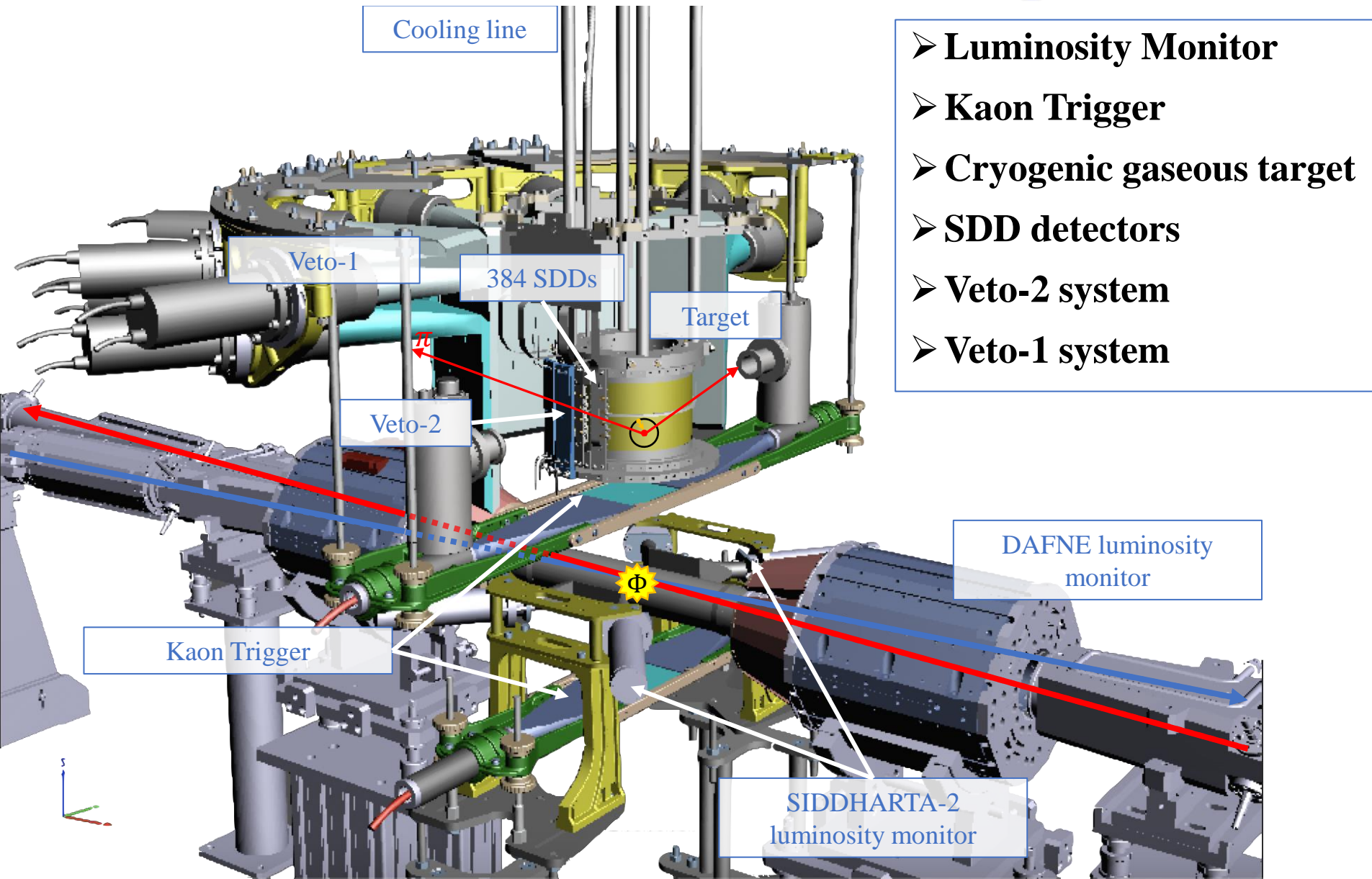
M. Bazzi et al, 2013 JINST 8 T11003

# Veto-1 system installation



Veto-1 system installed

# SIDDHARTA-2 setup

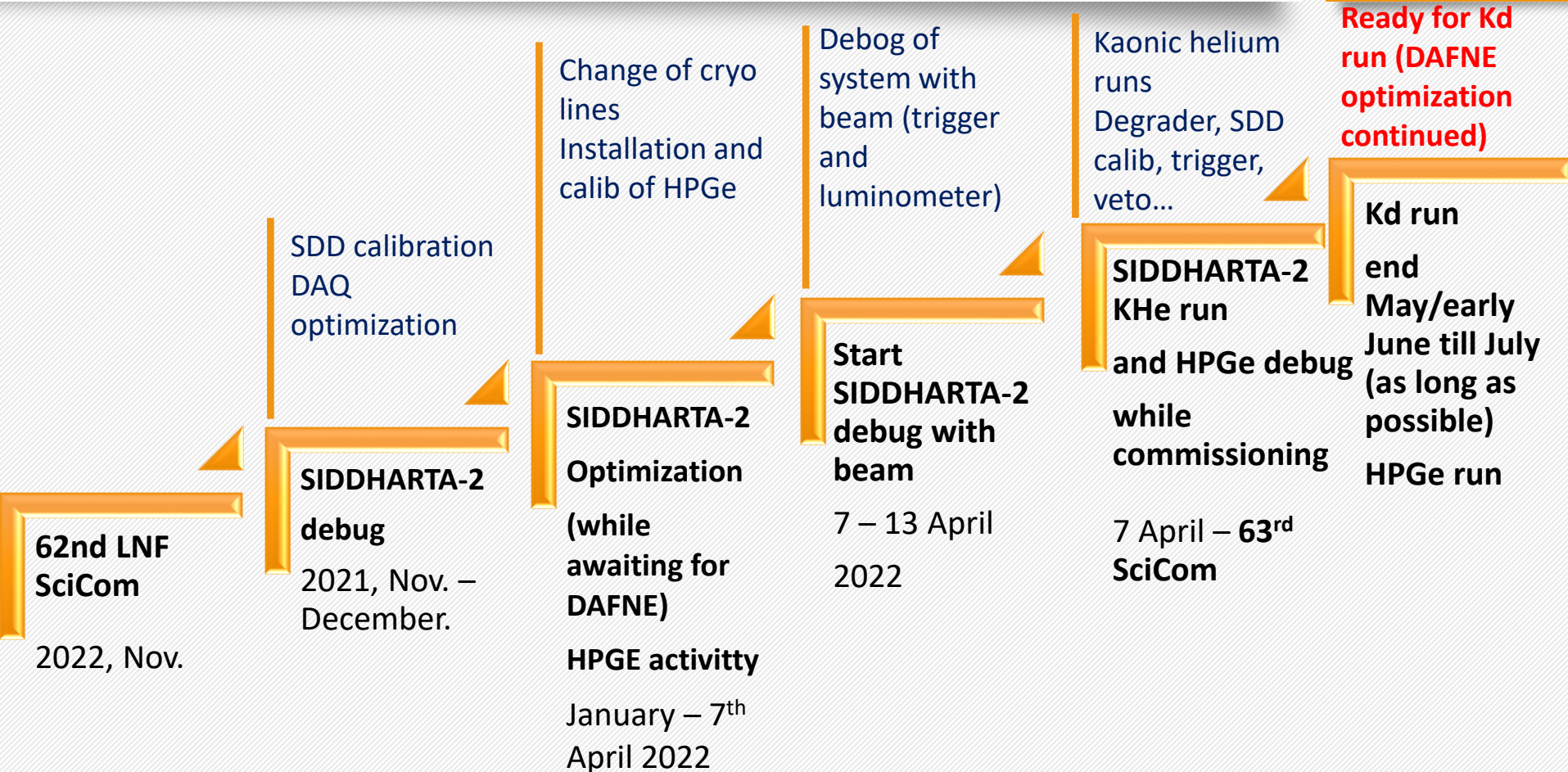




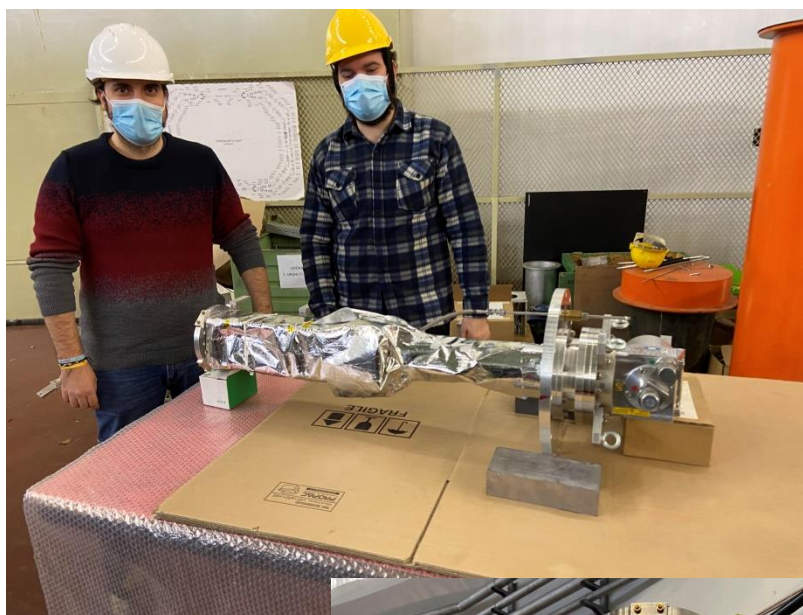
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Installed on DAFNE within early  
November 2022  
Ready for Run***



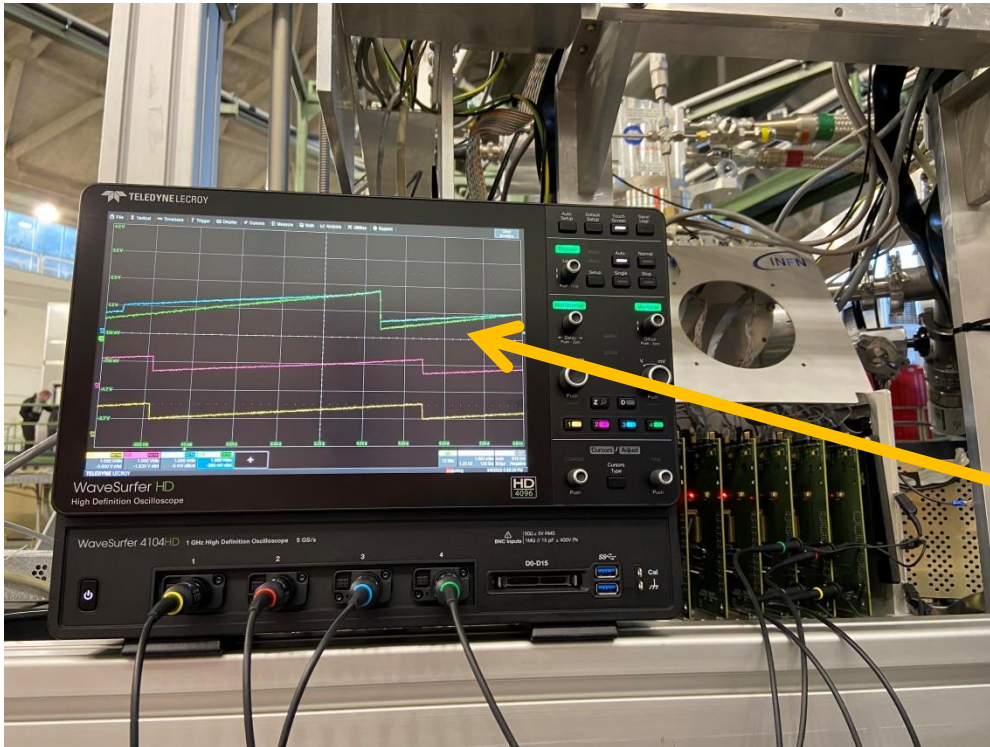
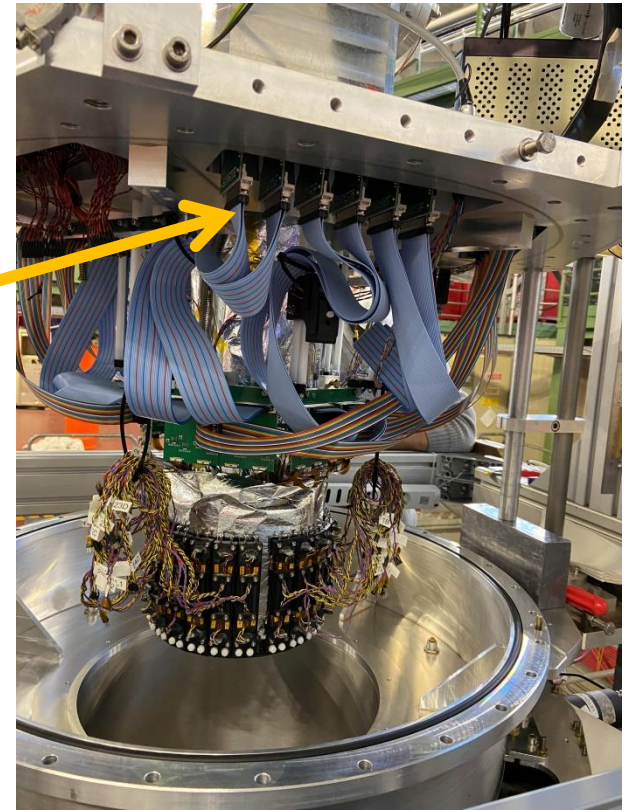
# Project timeline



Early 2022  
Cooling improvement  
Replace the Al bars from  
the cooling head and the target

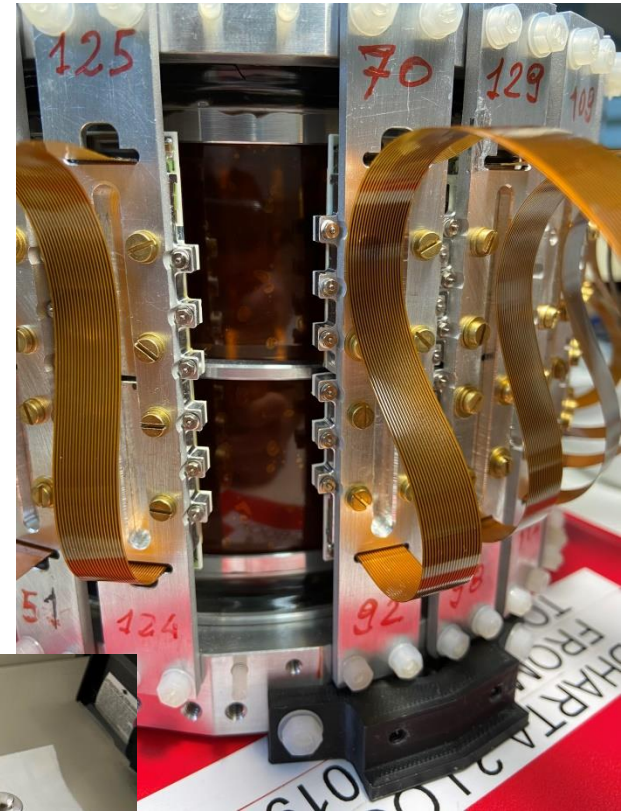
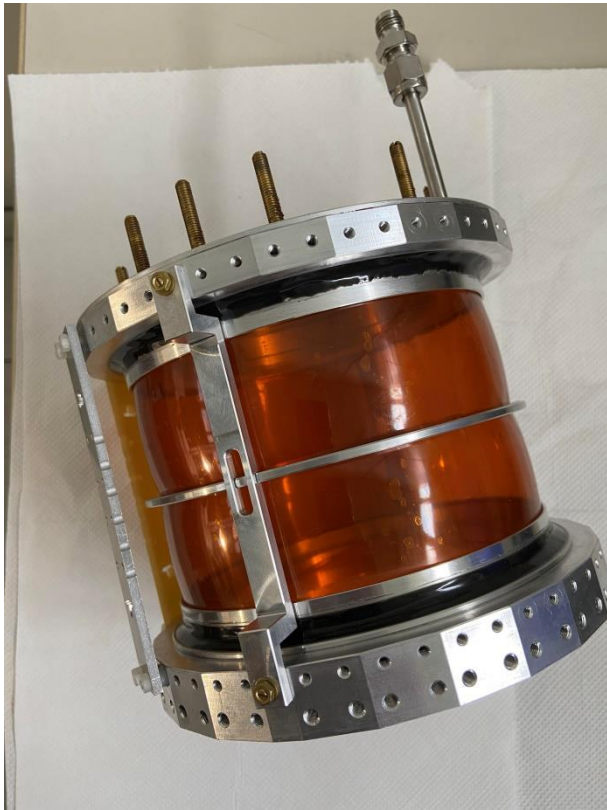


Early 2022  
Internal cabling to SFERA ASIC  
(high density SCSI type connectors)

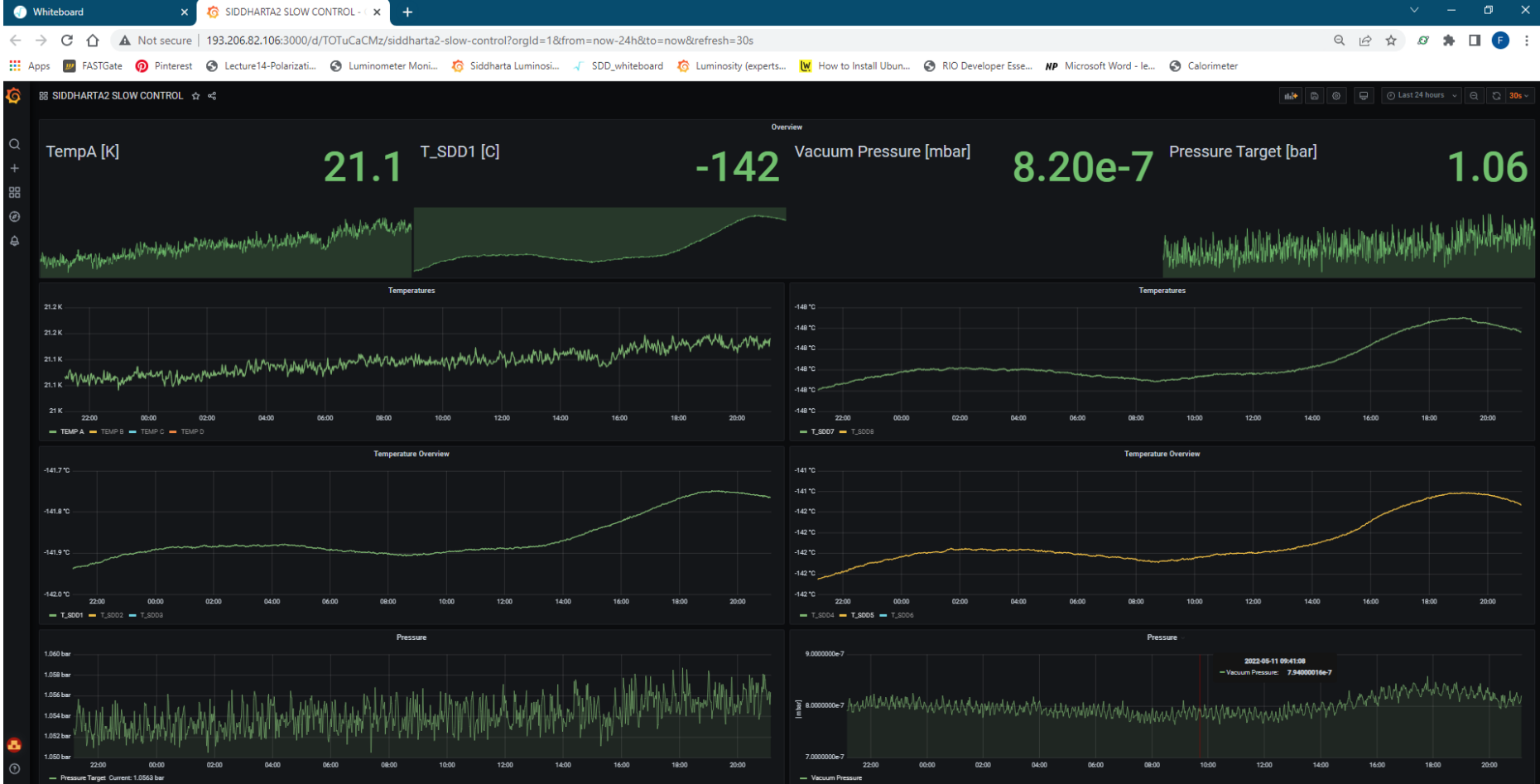


Output signals from  
CUBE preamplifier

Early 2022  
Replace:  
non working SDD arrays  
AL finger support for better cooling



# Online monitoring for setup parameters

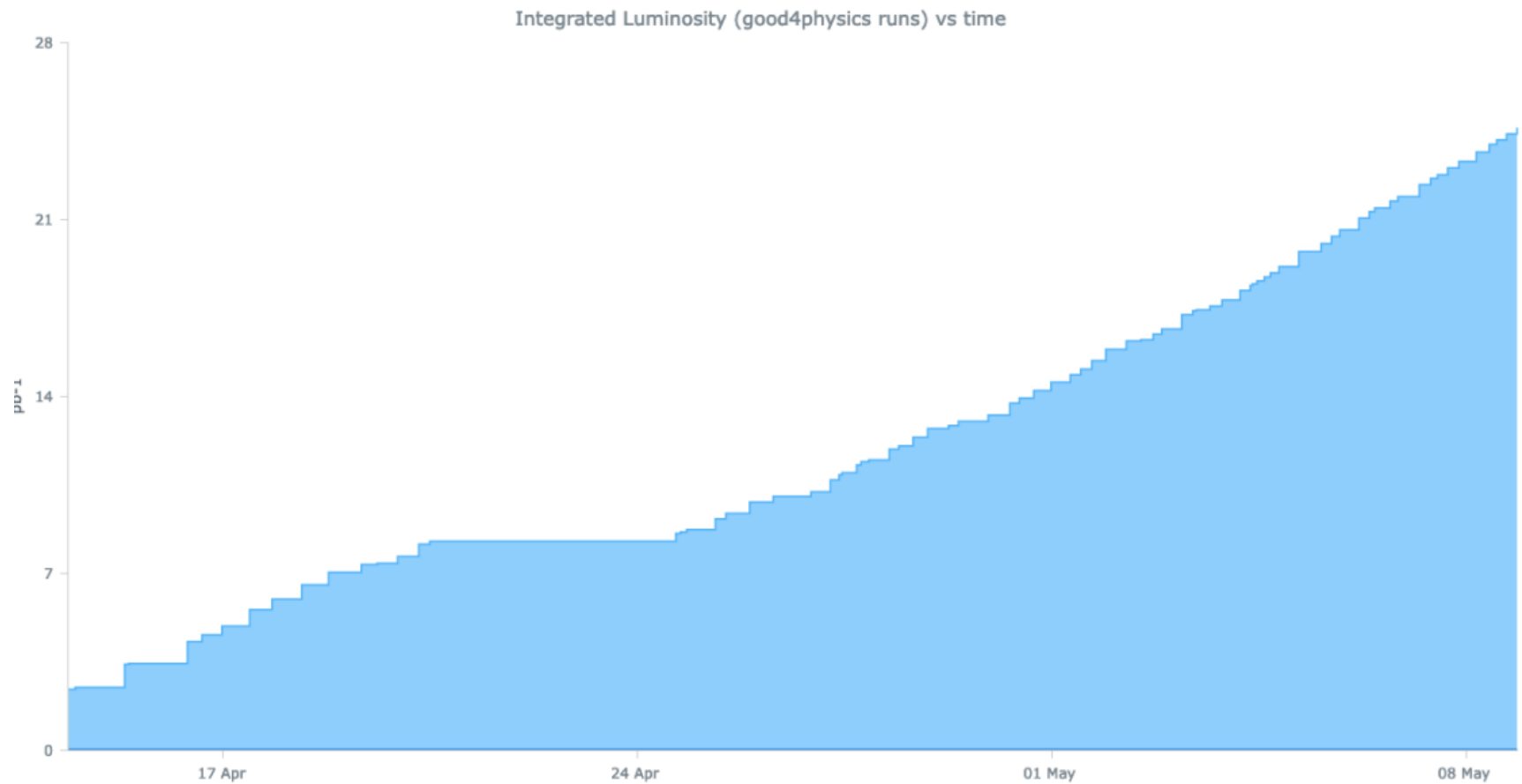


# SIDDHARTA-2: Run History April – May 2022



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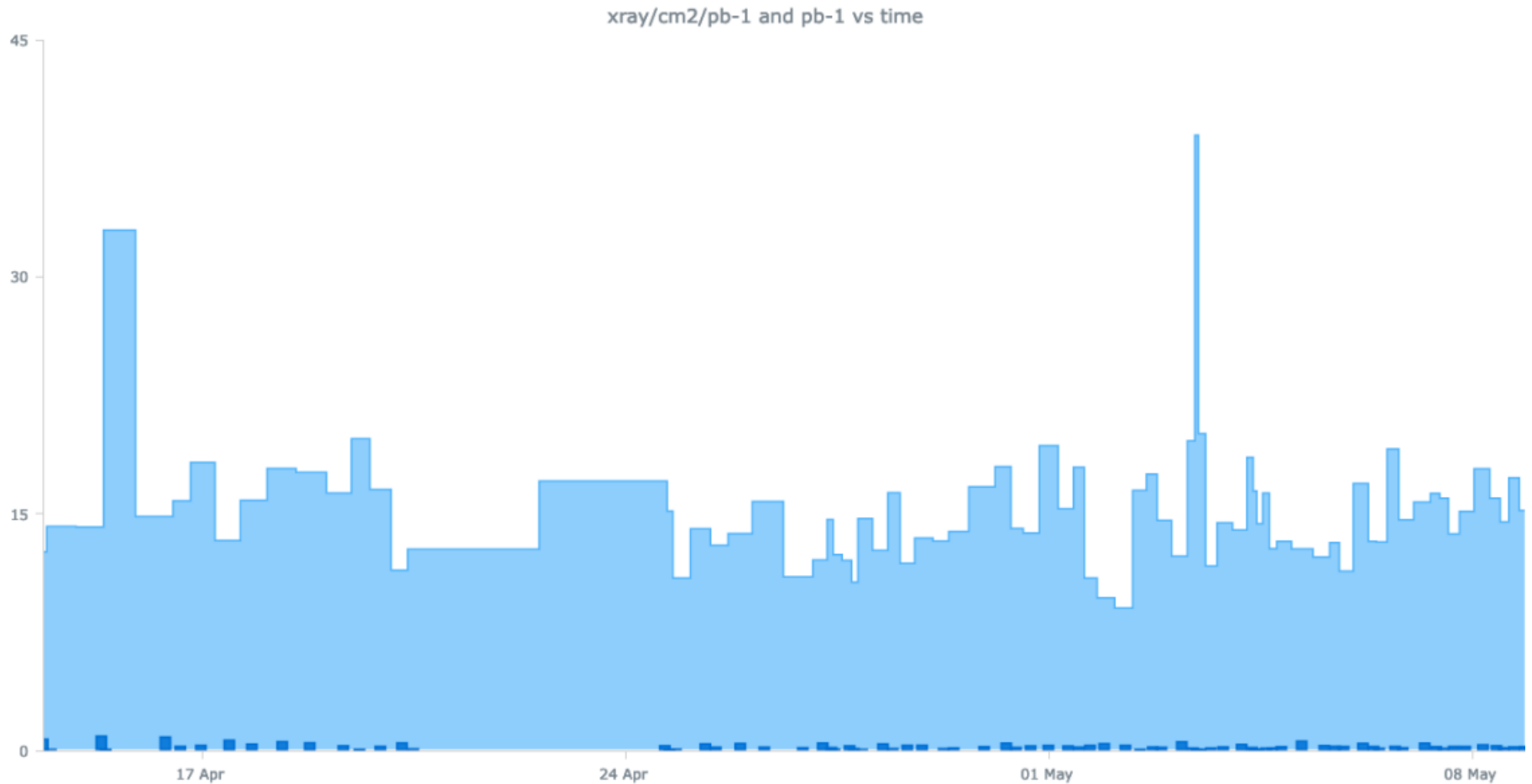
## SIDDHARTA-2 Luminosity



**SIDDHARTA-2 has recorded 25 pb<sup>-1</sup> of data good for physics in 2022**



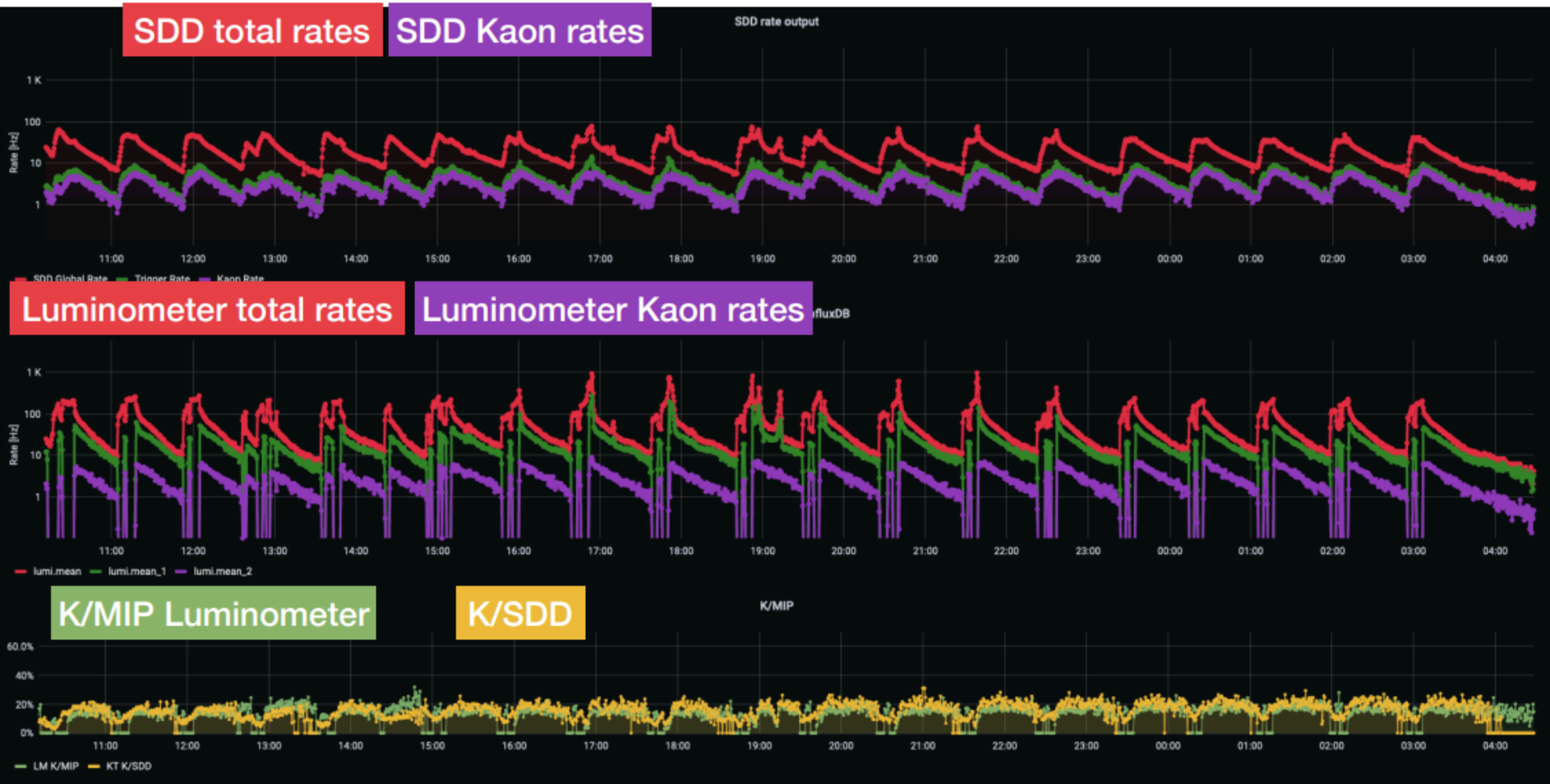
# SIDDHARTA-2: Run History April – May 2022



**The background in 2022 is around  $15 \times 10^4$  X-ray/cm<sup>2</sup>/pb-1  
(It was  $6 \times 10^4$  X-ray/cm<sup>2</sup>/pb-1 in SIDDHARTINO)**

# SIDDHARTA-2: Run History April – May 2022 (ex 1 May)

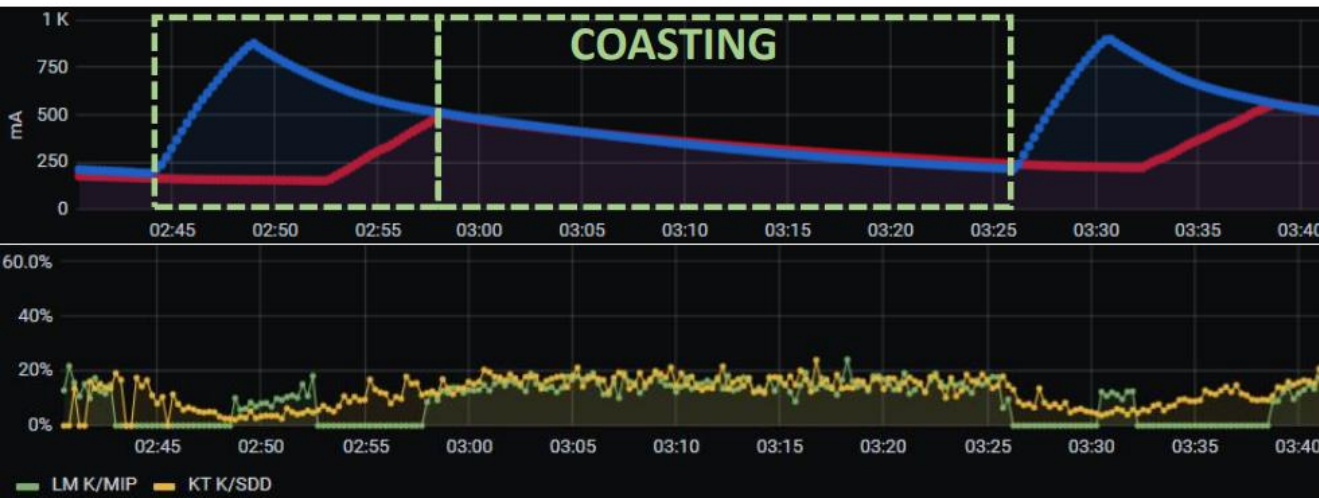
## SIDDHARTA-2 Info shared with Dafne



# Optimization of working regime

Run Period: 02.00 11/05/2022 – 12.00 11/05/2022

Integrated Luminosity: 0.67 pb<sup>-1</sup> (0.067 pb<sup>-1</sup>/hr)



$i_e$ : 850 – 180 mA

$i_p$ : 500 – 180 mA

INJECT INTERVAL  $\approx$  18 min

COAST INTERVAL  $\approx$  30 min

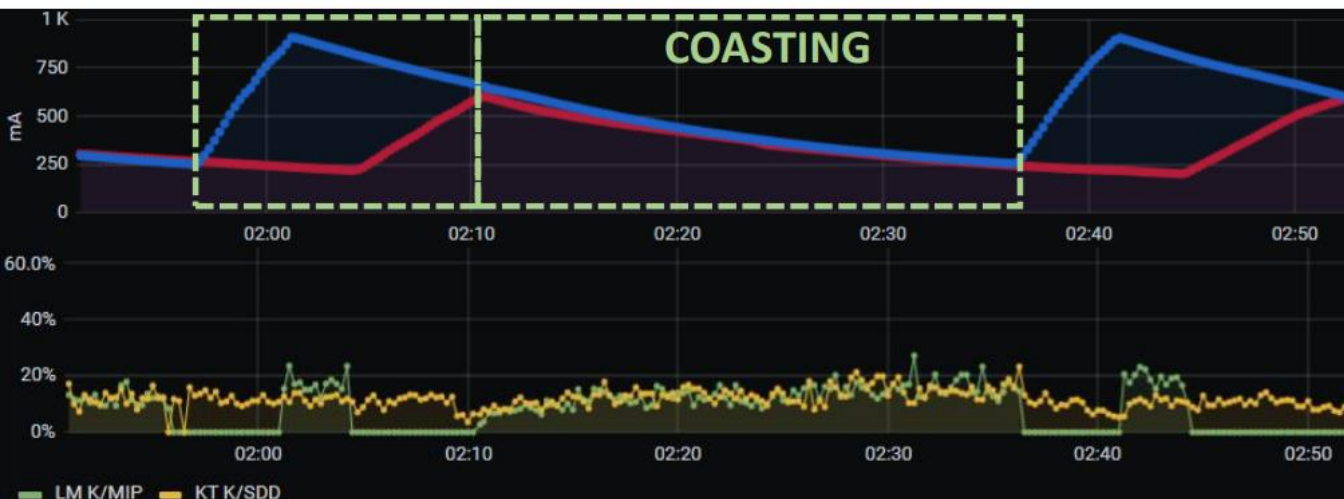
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I<sub>e</sub>: 900 – 220 mA

I<sub>p</sub>: 580 – 220 mA

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**Mean injection interval -30%**

**Mean coasting interval -6%**

**Overall integrated luminosity +42%**

## SIDDHARTA-2 KHe 1.4%

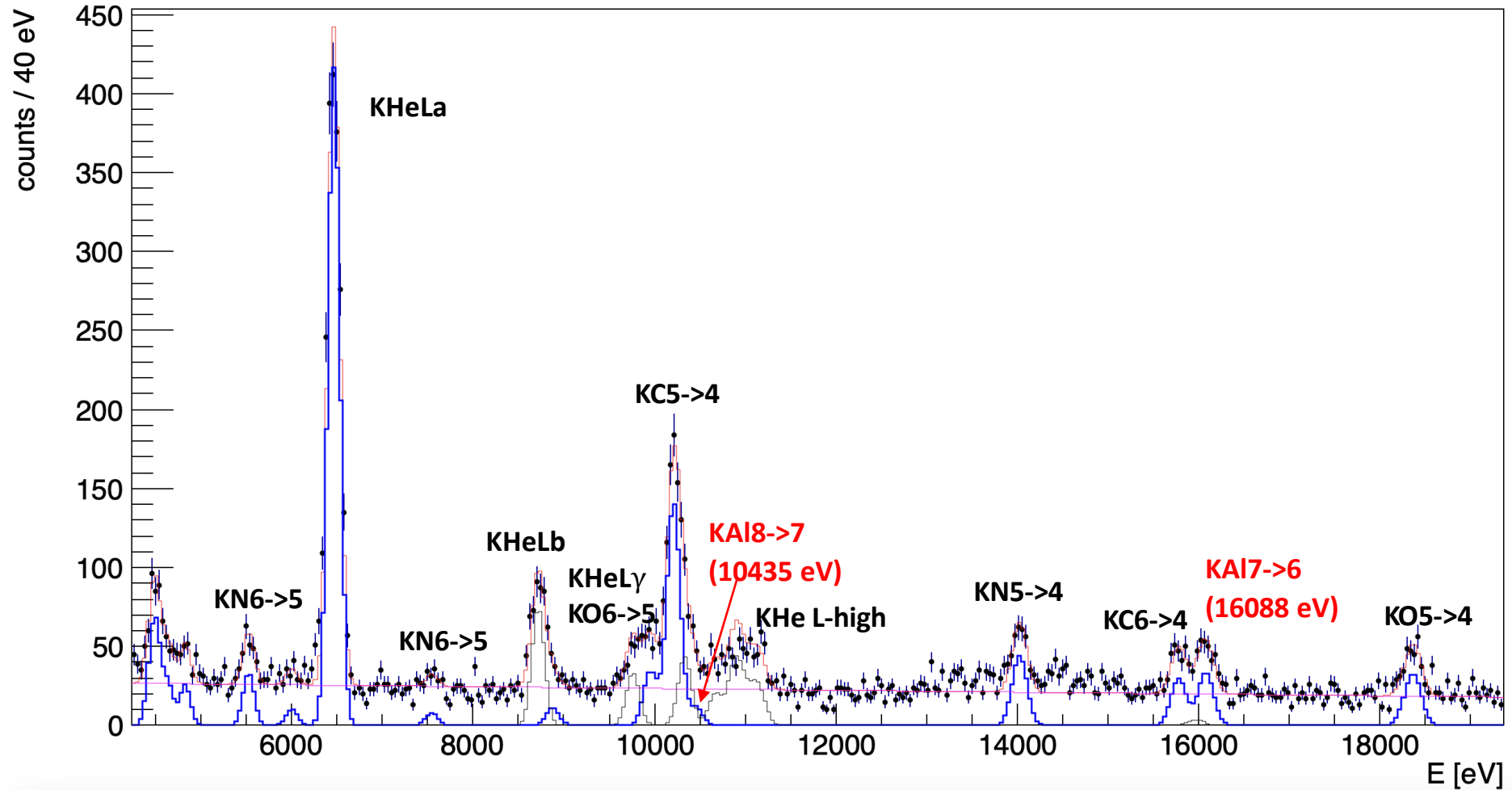
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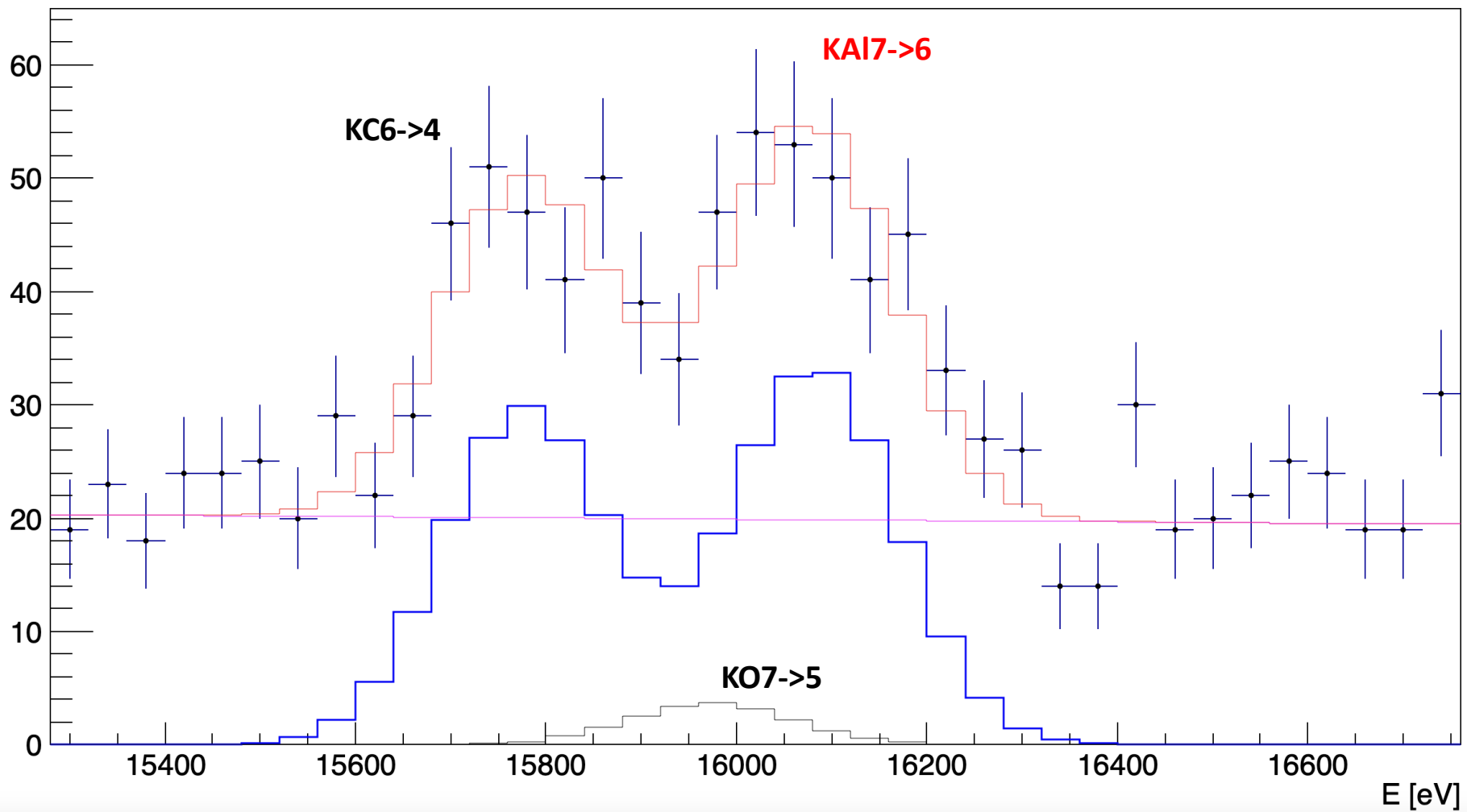
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counts / 40 eV



## SIDDHARTA-2: first scientific outcomes:

- An improved  $K_{\pi e}$  measurement with higher precision
- The most precise kaonic aluminium measurement

Plan to prepare 1-2 new articles!



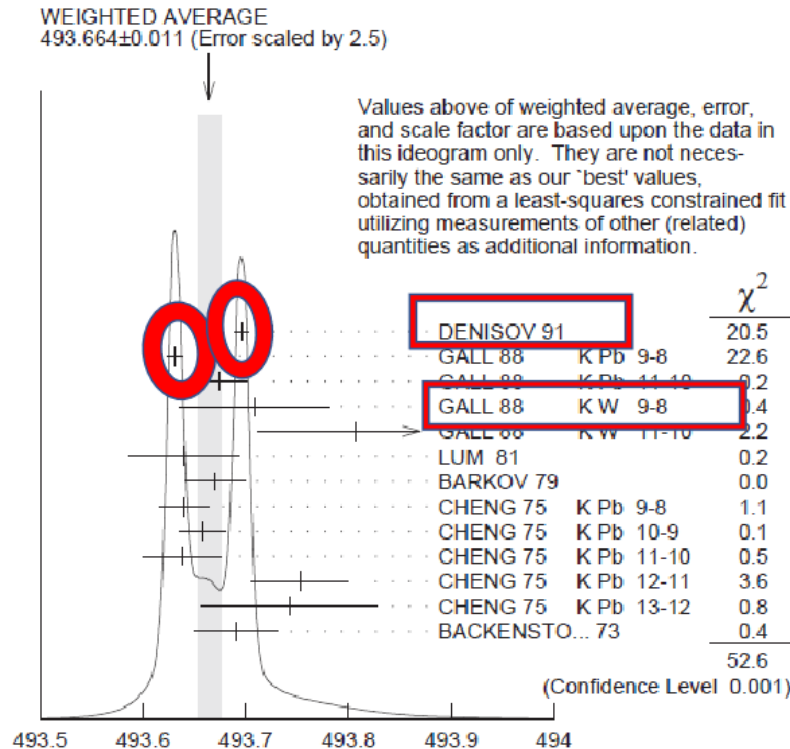
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# Charged kaon mass puzzle:

## Previous measurements, motivation

PDG 2020:



$m_{K^\pm}$  (MeV)

PDG2020

$m_K=493.679 \pm 0.013$  MeV

The main disagreement is between the two most recent and precise measurements (x-ray energies from kaonic atoms):

$m_K=493.696 \pm 0.007$  MeV

A.S. Denisov et al. JEPT Lett. 54 (1991)558

$K^{-12}C$ , crystal diffraction spectrometer

(6.3 eV at 22.1 keV), 4f-3d

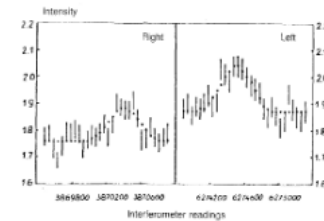


FIG. 1. Right and left reflections of the  $4f-3d$  transition of the  $K^{-12}C$  atom. The interferometer readings are plotted along the abscissa; the detector count rate per  $10^4$  protons is plotted along the ordinate. The vertical lines are the experimental values with the corresponding error; the heavy points are the results of a fit.

$m_K=493.636 \pm 0.011$  MeV

K.P. Gall et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 60 (1988)186

$K^{-}Pb$ ,  $K^{-}W$ ; HPGe detector (1 keV),  $K^{-}Pb$  (9  $\rightarrow$  8),

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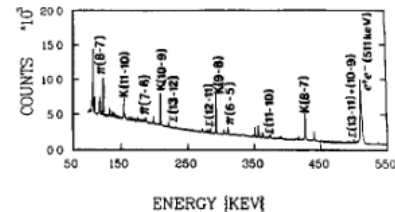
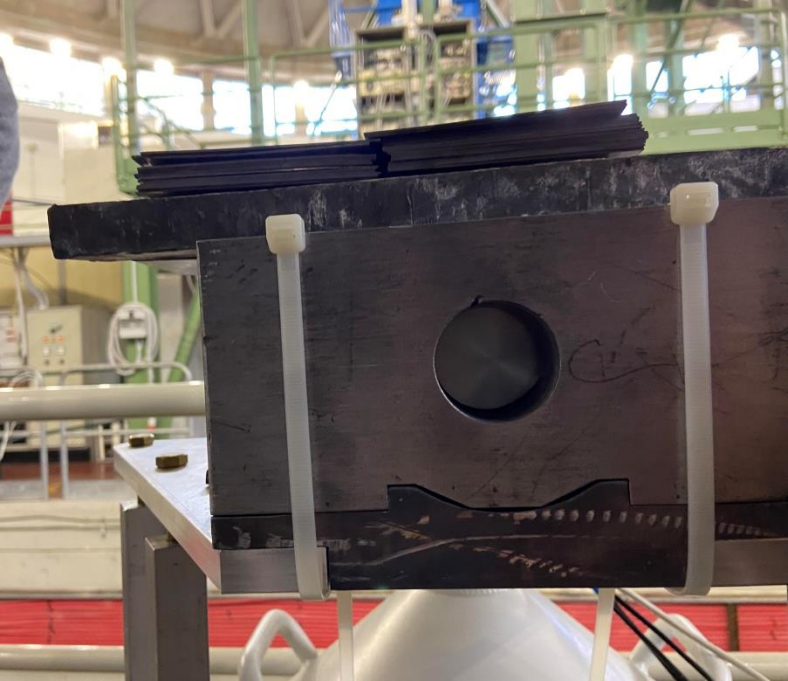


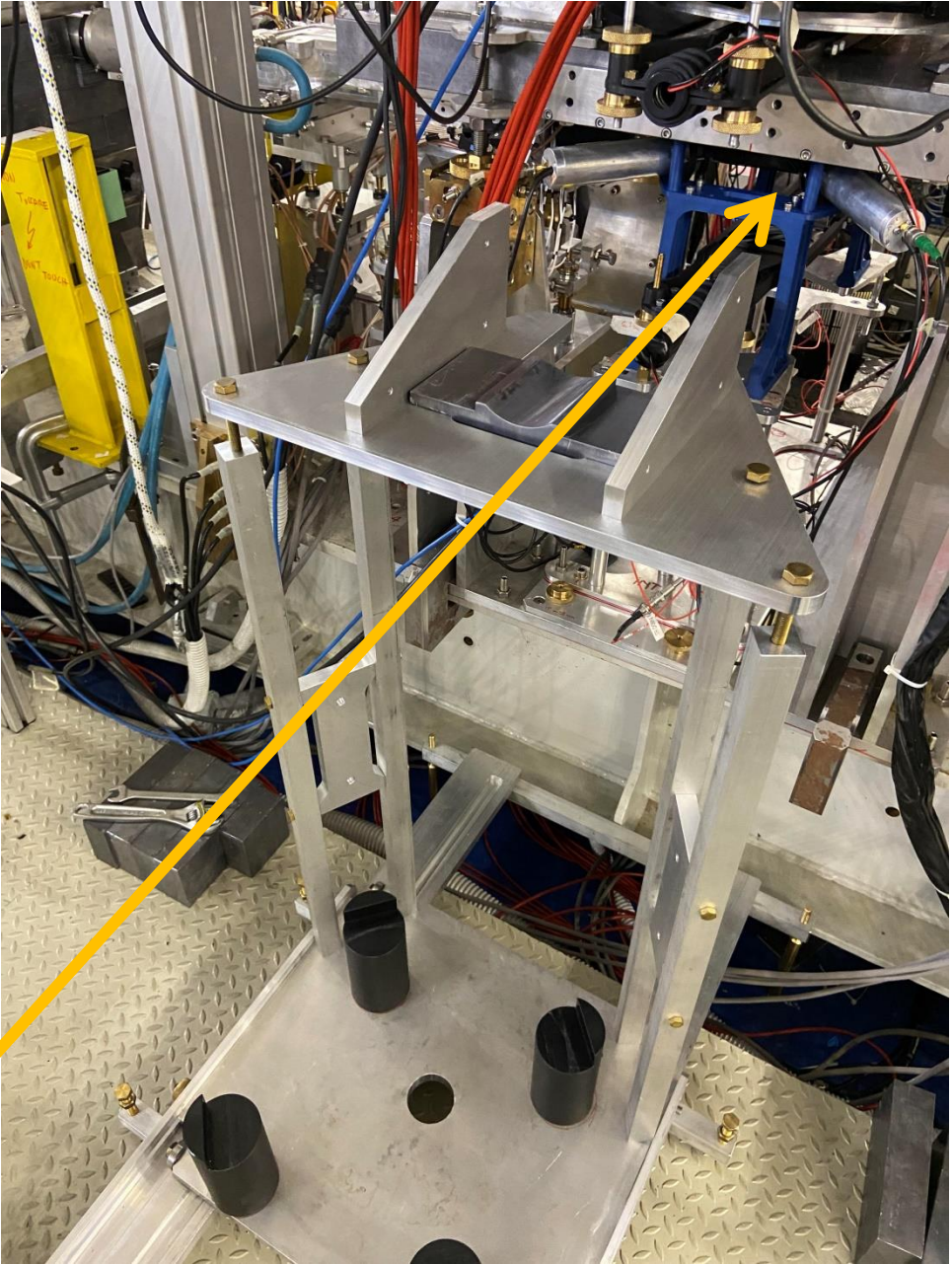
FIG. 1. Untagged Pb x-ray spectrum showing intense kaonic x-ray transitions.

Average  $m_K=493.679 \pm 0.006$  MeV  $S=2.4$

Installation of HpGe structures and preliminary shielding

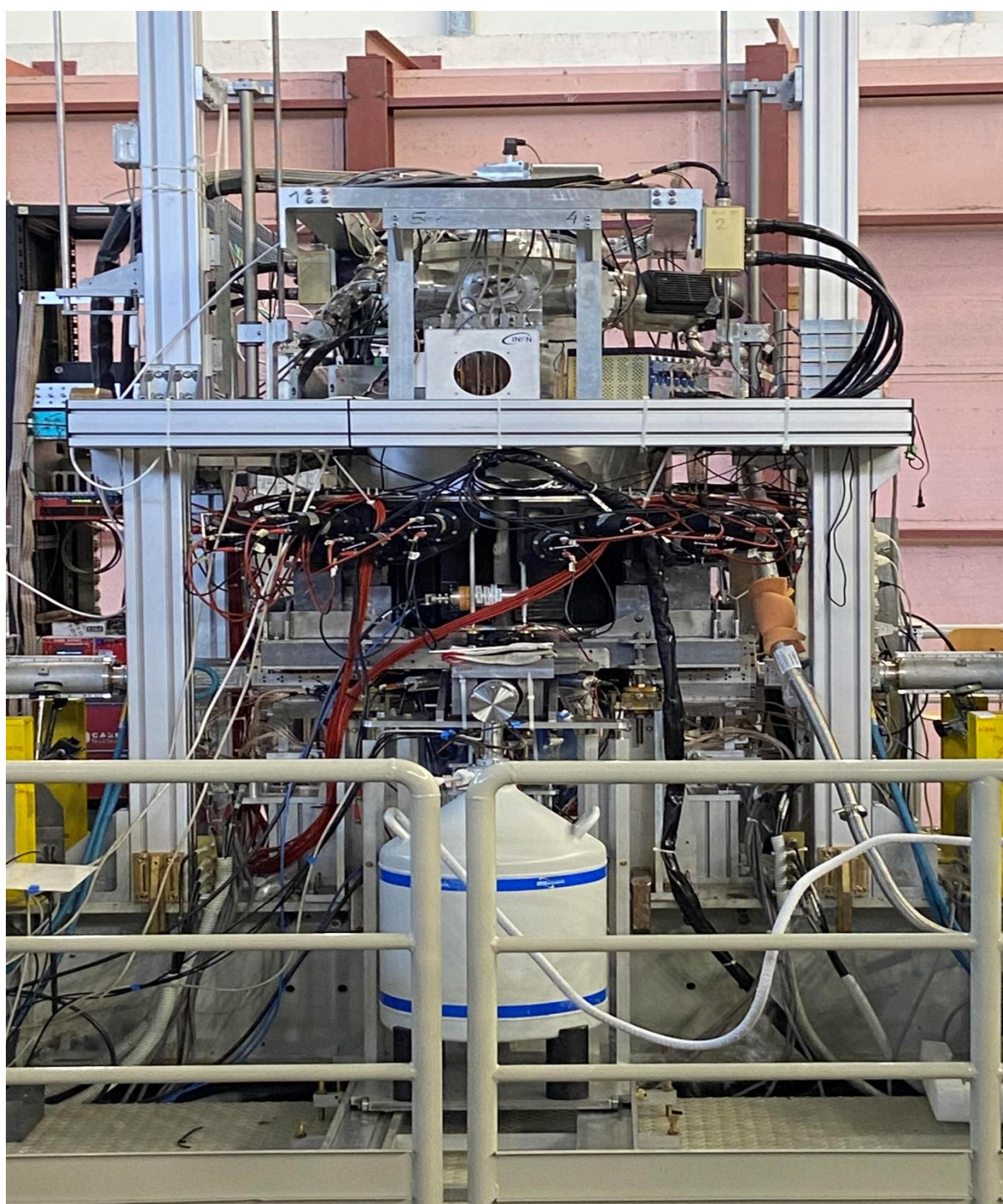


Pb target support behind luminometer



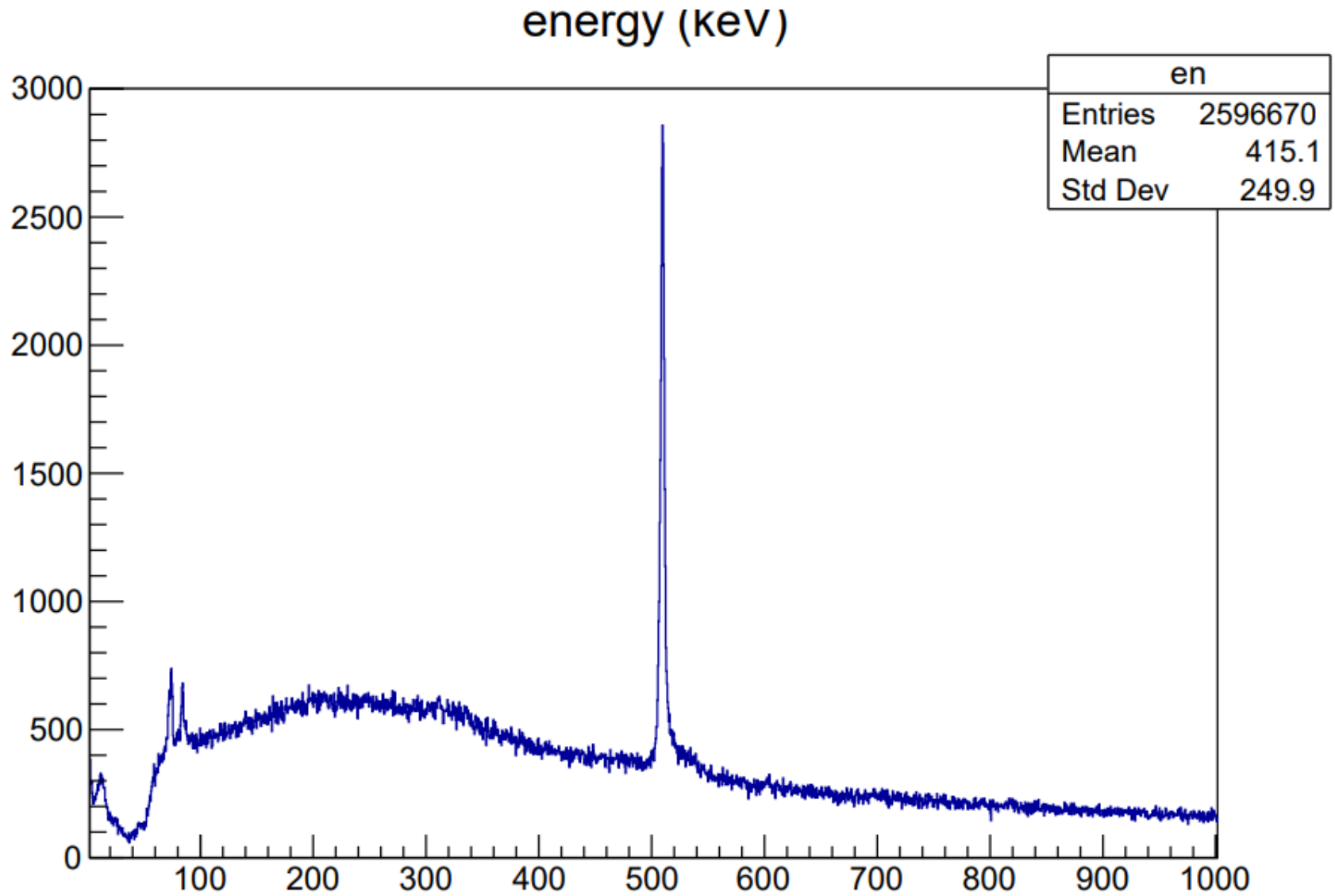
Ge refilling  
establish procedure to  
be done each 7-10 days



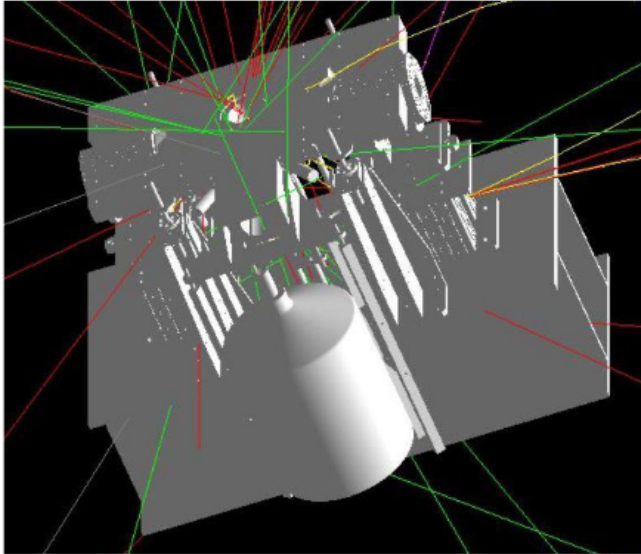


Present  
status

# First HPGe spectrum (we plan a technical paper)



# GEANT4 full simulation

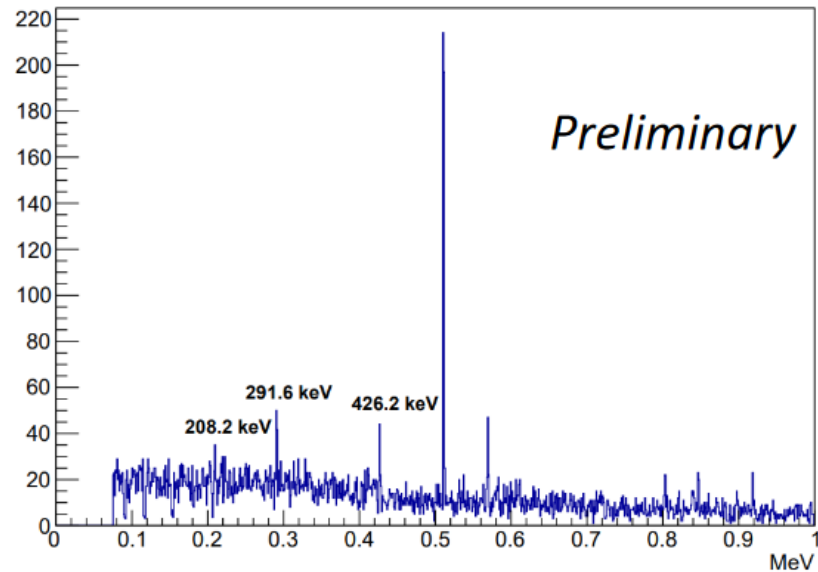


Kaons are generated uniformly in  $4\pi$   
Only hadronic background., no background from  $e+e-$  beams  
Front shielding of HPGe detector should be optimized

Approx. 50 events (291.6 keV) /  $\text{pb}^{-1}$ ,  
12  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  /day -> approx. 600 events/day.

$\sim 9.000$  events -> 10 keV precision (15 days)  
 $\sim 25.000$  events -> 5 keV precision (40 days)

coinc. luminometer+HPGe, yield 0.2, 1 $\text{pb}^{-1}$



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# Project timeline - future

**SIDDHARTA-2 Kd run:** run 1 (requested 300 pb<sup>-1</sup> – **100 pb<sup>-1</sup>** ?)  
run 2/3 (700 pb<sup>-1</sup>) with optimized components

Start of the data taking  
kaonic deuterium  
SIDDHARTA-2 run

**Continue the run  
SIDDHARTA-2  
Kd  
HPGe**

**DAΦNE summer  
shutdown  
middle July 2022**

**as soon as  
possible!**

**SIDDHARTA-2  
setup ready  
End May 2022**

**Start Run  
SIDDHARTA-2  
and  
HPGe parasitic test**

From end May –  
early June 2022

# SIDDHARTA-2 K-d measurement

achievable  
precision

Kaonic deuterium run in 2022/3

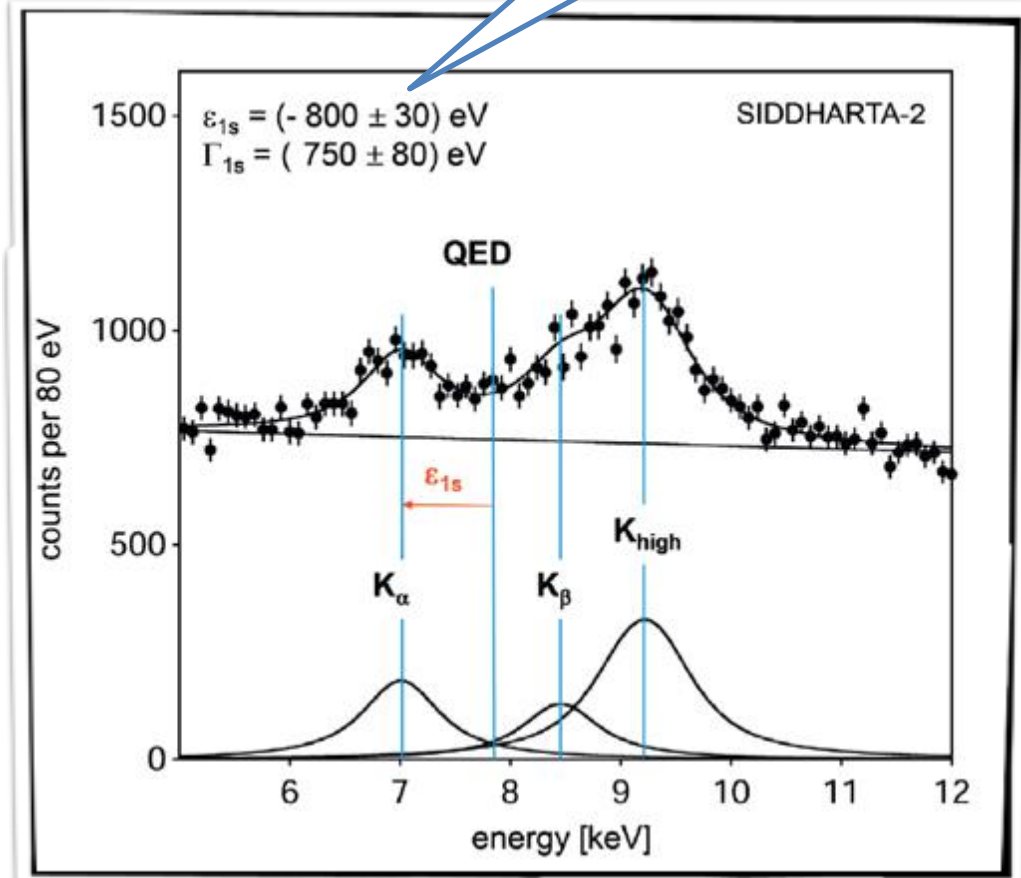
Monte Carlo for an integrated  
luminosity  
of  $800 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

to perform the first  
measurement of the strong  
interaction induced **energy  
shift and width** of the kaonic  
deuterium ground state  
(similar precision as K-p) !

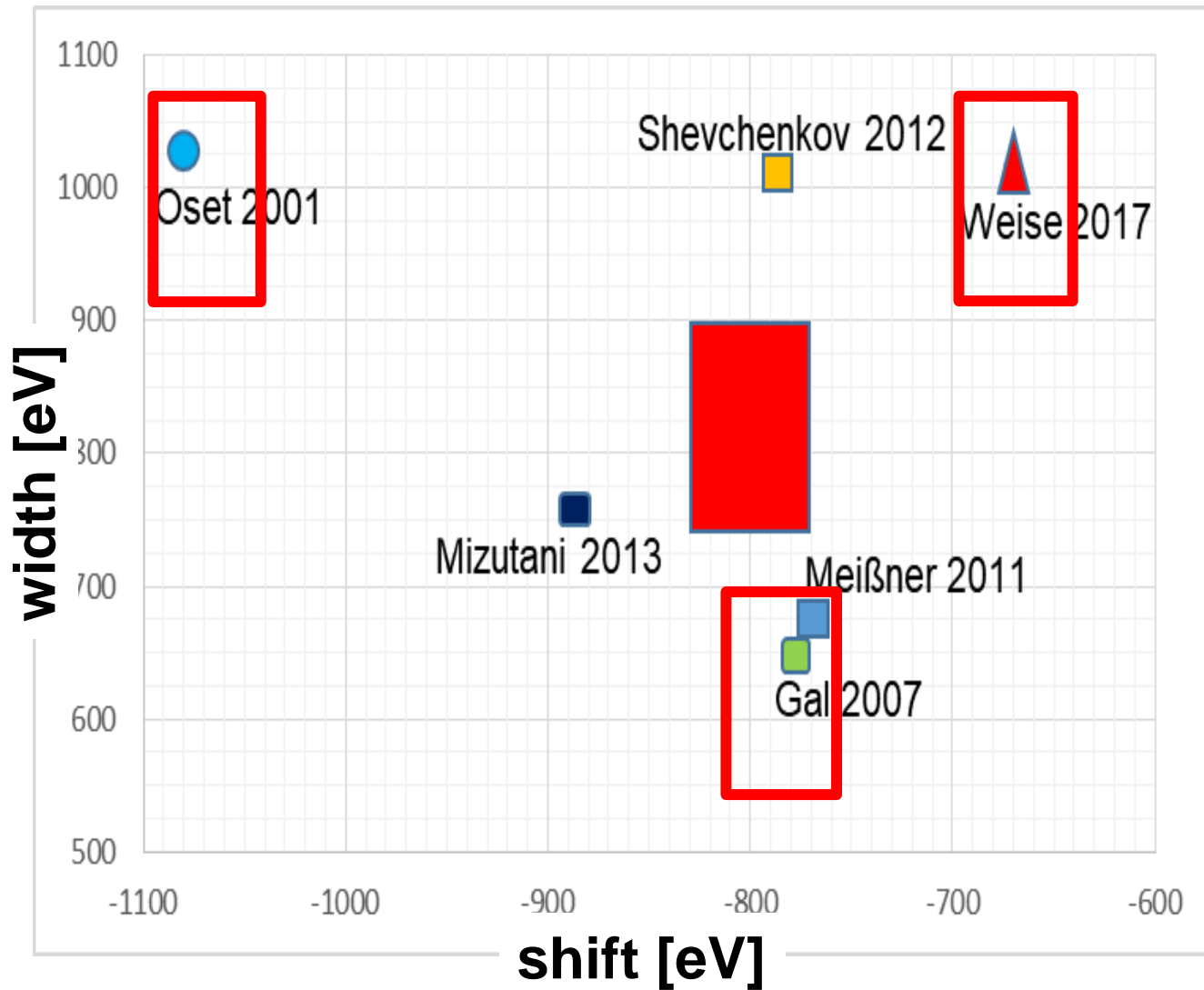
When significant?

Depends on yield (unknown)

Not less than  $500 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



# SIDDHARTA-2 kaonic deuterium at DAΦNE



# SIDDHARTA-2 K-d measurement



SIDDHARTA-2

## SIDDHARTA-2 setup ready for Kaonic deuterium first ever measurement: Plans and requests

- Optimization of veto systems integration: end May 2022
- First run with SIDDHARTA-2 setup originally planned for about  $300 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity; we now realistically can envisage a first run to start **June 2022 (till July tbd)** –  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ?
- Second and Third (?) runs with optimized shielding, readout electronics and other necessary optimizations; (for remaining integrated luminosity, i.e. about  $700 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ) – **as soon as possible**

# “Fundamental physics with exotic atoms and radiation detectors” Symposium



INFN-LNF – 25-26/11/2021 – Aula Salvini



25–26 Nov 2021  
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Overview



The aim of the symposium is to discuss future perspectives in exotic atoms research and related radiation detectors, as tools for fundamental physics studies.



# Symposium - Nuclear E2 resonance effects in kaonic molybdenum isotopes

8 April 2022  
Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati  
Europe/Rome timezone



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The nuclear E2 resonance effect occurs when atomic de-excitation energy is closely matched by nuclear excitation energy. It produces an attenuation of some of the atomic x-ray lines from resonant versus normal isotope targets. In some kaonic molybdenum isotopes (94, 96, 98, 100) the nuclear E2 resonance effect is expected. In 1975, the nuclear E2 resonance effect was measured in kaonic molybdenum 98 by G. L. Goldfrey, G- K. Lum and C. E. Wiegand at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory. The experiment took 25 hours of data, not enough to provide a conclusive result. The nuclear E2 resonance effect in kaonic molybdenum isotopes could be measured in DAΦNE with germanium detectors. Its measurement could provide important information about strong kaon-nucleus interaction and nuclear deformations.

# Conclusions

- Despite the difficult period, we have been able to follow our plan and Sci Com recom. and perform our activities along the schedule @SC62
- In particular we: **performed the most precise KHe measurement in gas and the measurement of yields at lowest density**
- **17 articles** were published/submitted since the last Sci Com - important scientific outcome, **2 are in preparation**
- **We are ready and very motivated to start the SIDDHARTA-2 planned first Kd measurement as soon as possible**
- We put forward proposal for solid targets measurements with SIDDHARTA-2 setup for 100-150 pb<sup>-1</sup> after Kd run - @SC62 as well as **future measurements proposal**



**Kaonic Atoms to Investigate Global Symmetry**  
Breaking Symmetry 12 (2020) 4, 547

**The modern era of light kaonic atom experiments**  
Rev.Mod.Phys. 91 (2019) 2, 025006

**Part. and Nuclear physics**  
**QCD @ low-energy limit**  
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**Fundamental physics New**  
**Physics**

**Kaonic atoms**  
**Kaon-nuclei interactions**  
**(scattering and nuclear interactions)**

**On self-gravitating strange dark matter halos**  
**around galaxies** Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 8,  
083015

**The equation of state of dense matter: Stiff,**  
**soft, or both?** Astron.Nachr. 340 (2019) 1-3, 189

**Dark Matter studies**

**Astrophysics**  
**EOS Neutron Stars**

# Part of the *SIDDHARTA-2* collaboration

## Thank you!



*Special thanks to the accelerator,  
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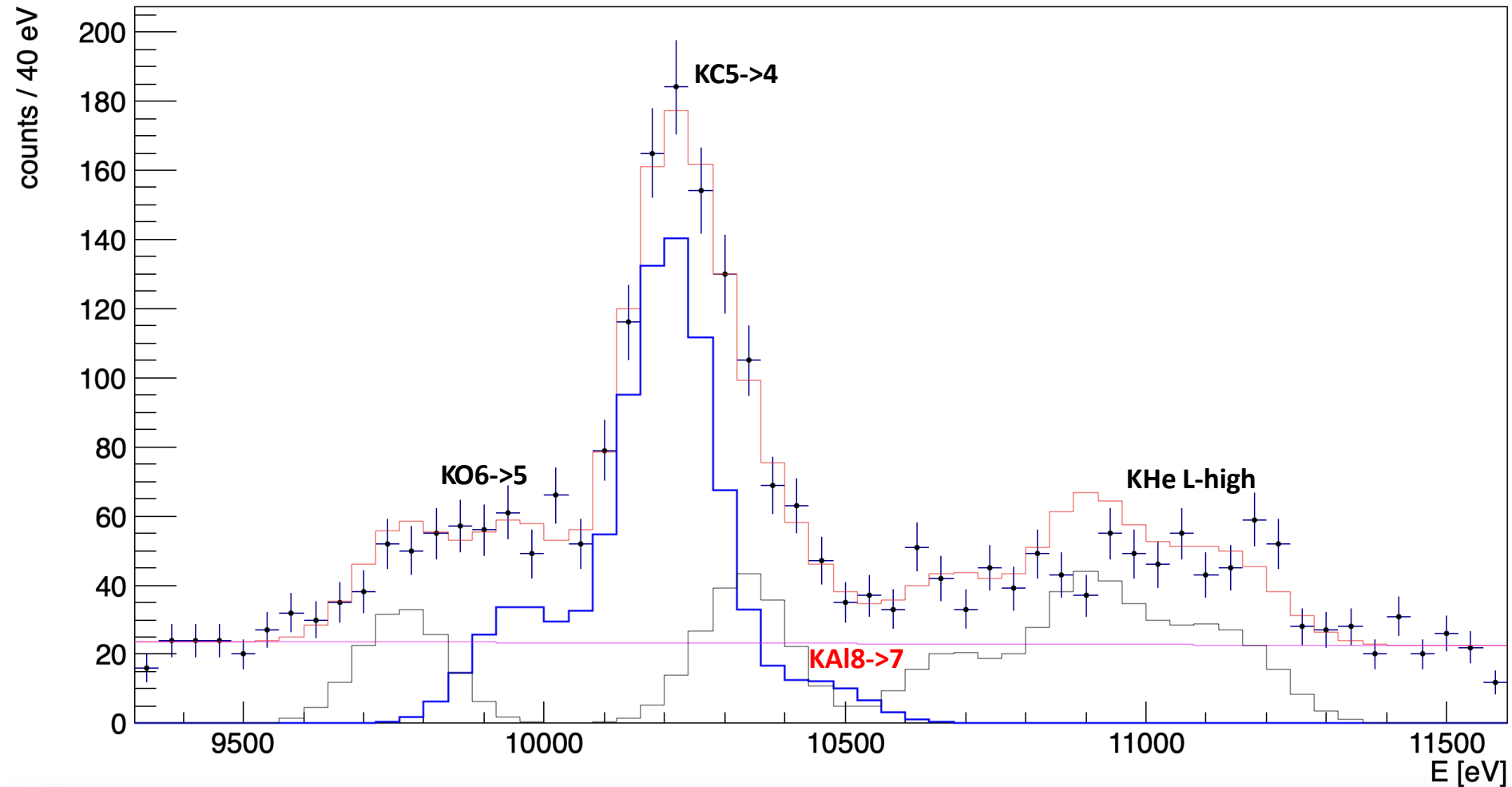
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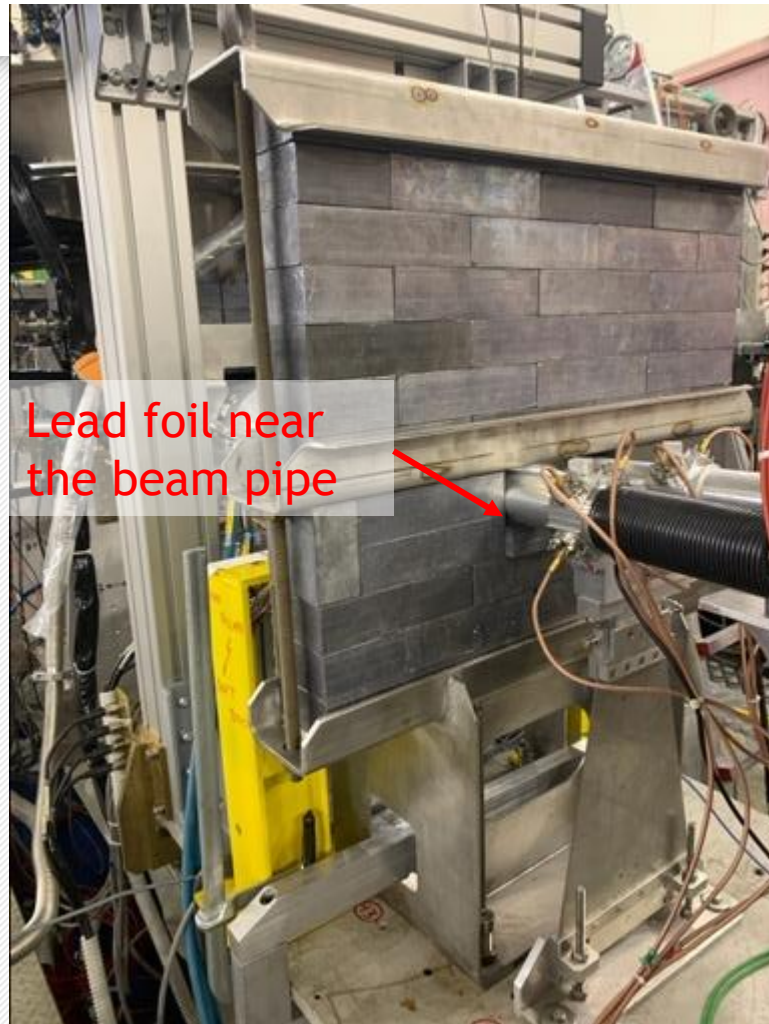
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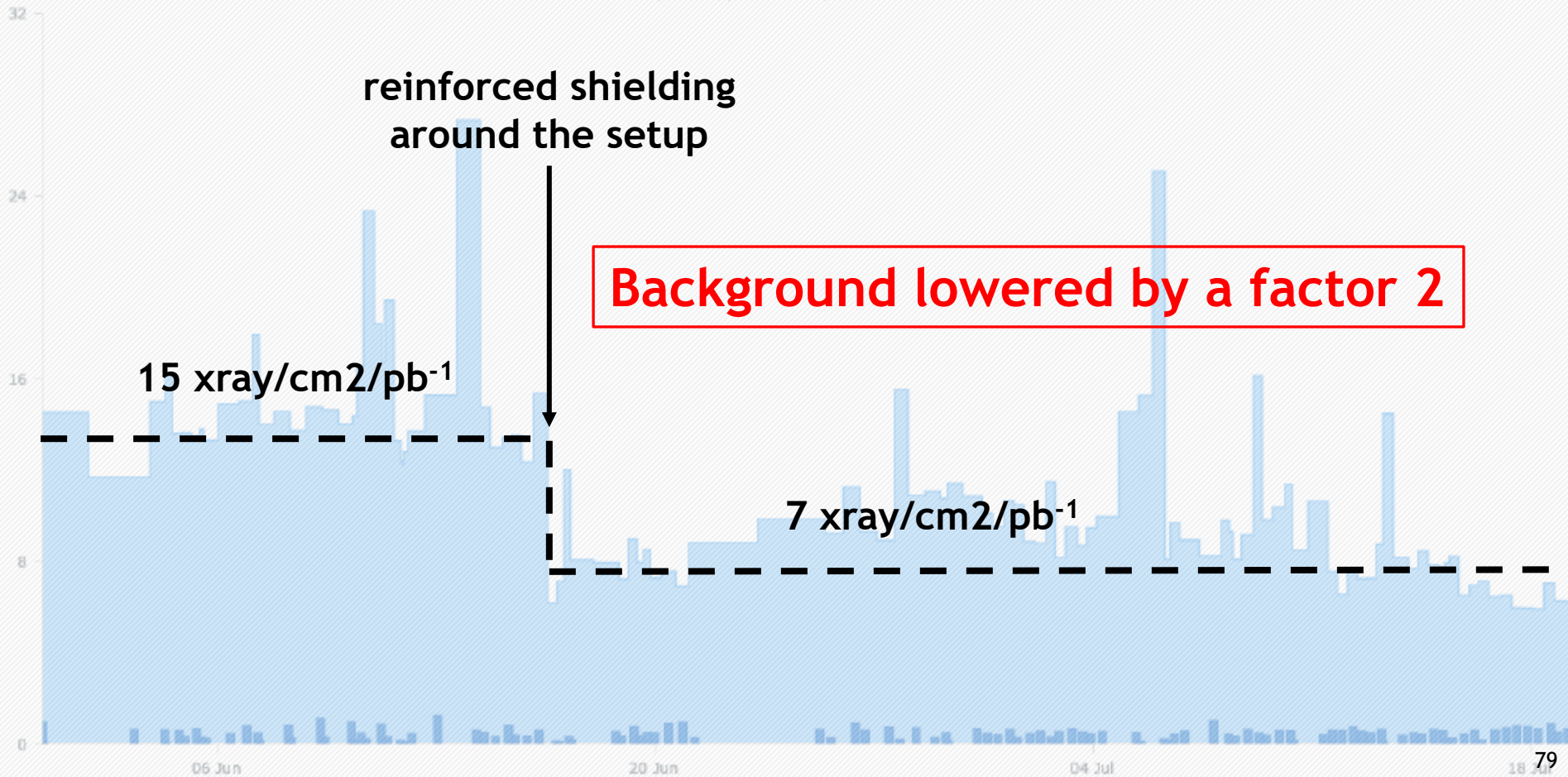


# Back. reduction: reinforced shielding around the setup



# SIDDHARTINO - xray/cm2/pb<sup>-1</sup>

xray/cm2/pb-1 and pb-1 vs time



reinforced shielding  
around the setup

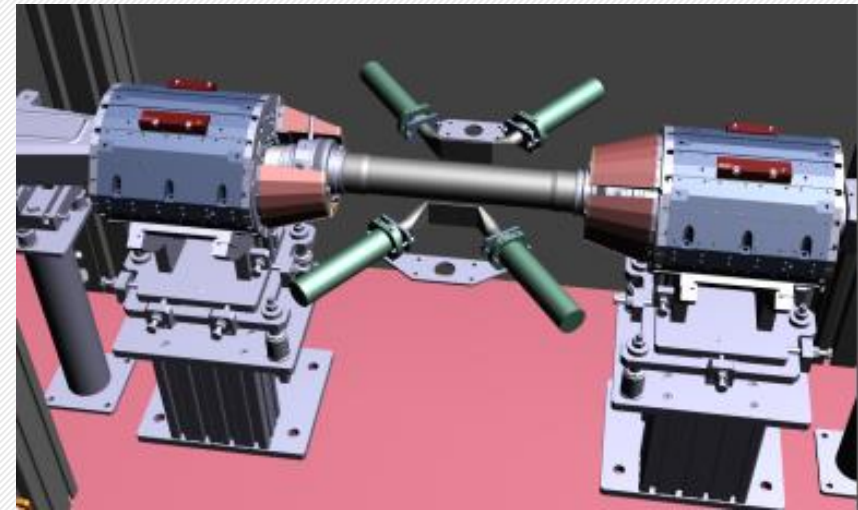
Background lowered by a factor 2

15 xray/cm2/pb<sup>-1</sup>

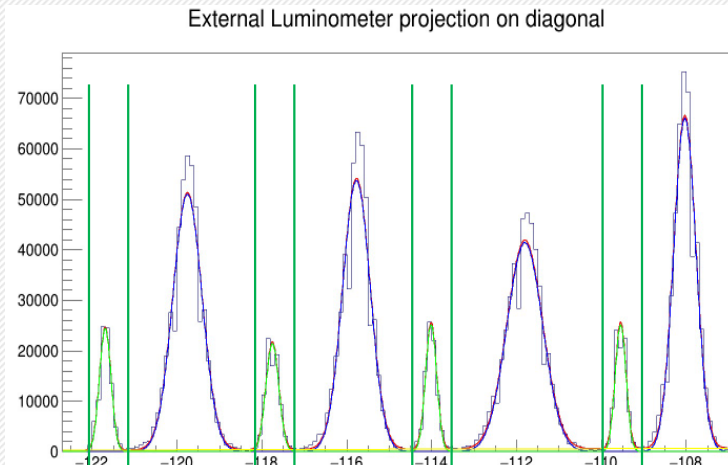
7 xray/cm2/pb<sup>-1</sup>

# Luminosity measurement to monitor also background

- **Luminosity detector:**
  - SIDDHARTA-2 luminometer used for back: kaons/MIPS
  - luminosity delivery

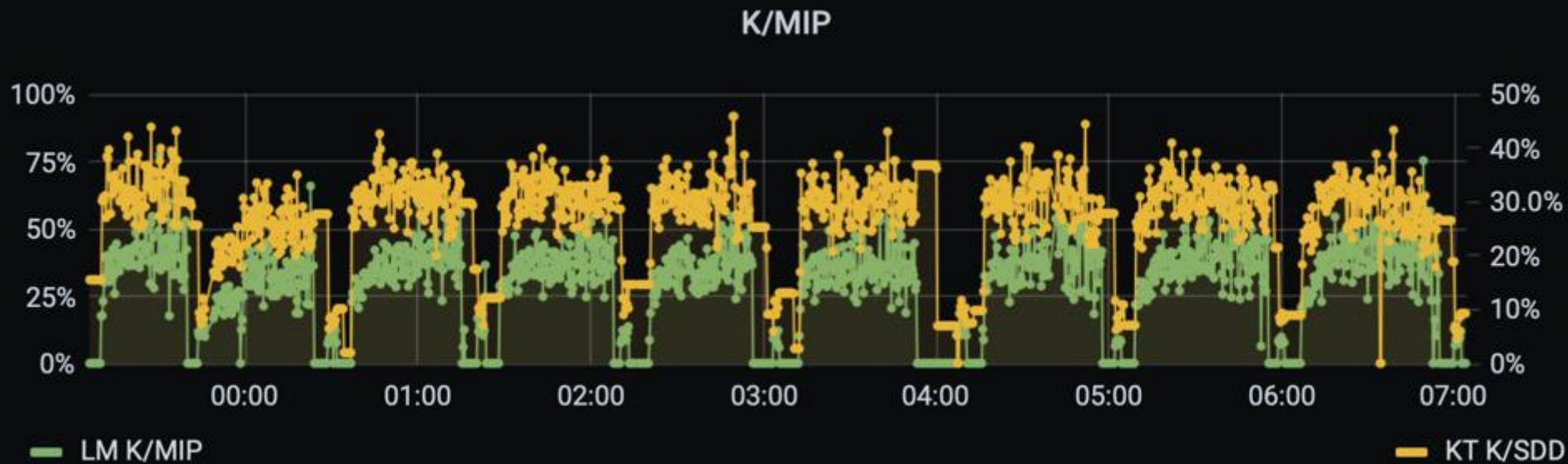


Back to plastic scintillators in coincidence with RF/4 signal





# Background levels monitor



Background levels were monitored online by a counter based on Kaon/Mip rate and a second based on Kaon/SDD rate.



Shared with the DAΦNE staff to optimize the background