

Present and Future Perspective in Hadron Physics

“KAONIC ATOMS MEASUREMENTS WITH SIDDHARTA-2 AT THE DAΦNE COLLIDER”

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Why Kaonic Atom?

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

Dark Matter studies

Fundamental physics
New Physics

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

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

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

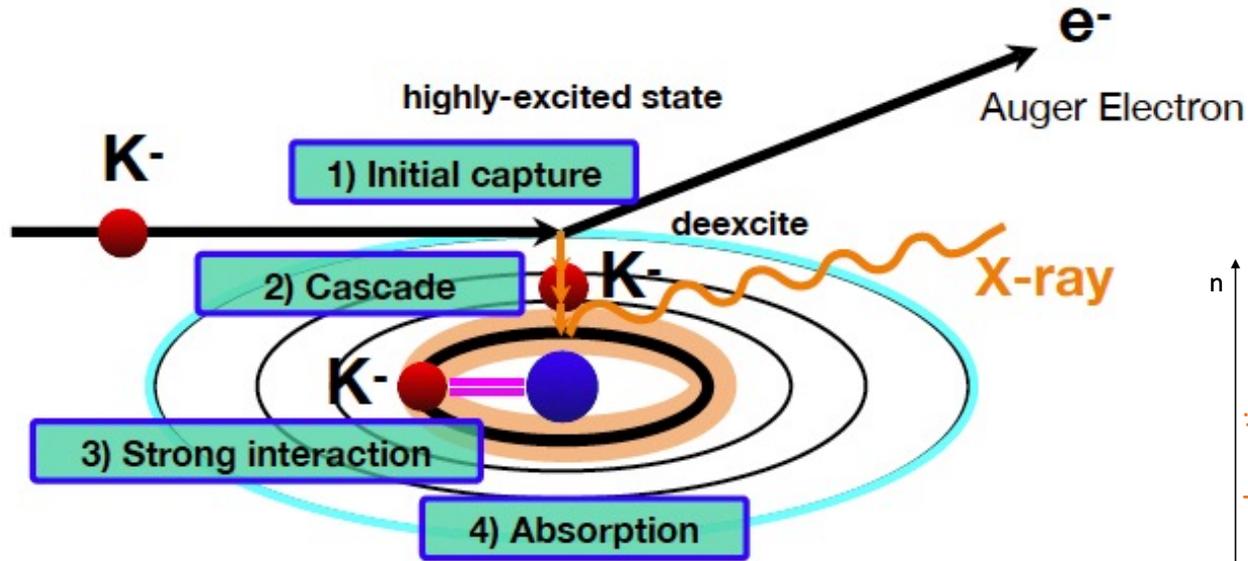
Part. and Nuclear physics
QCD @ low-energy limit
Chiral symmetry, Lattice

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

Astrophysics
EOS Neutron Stars

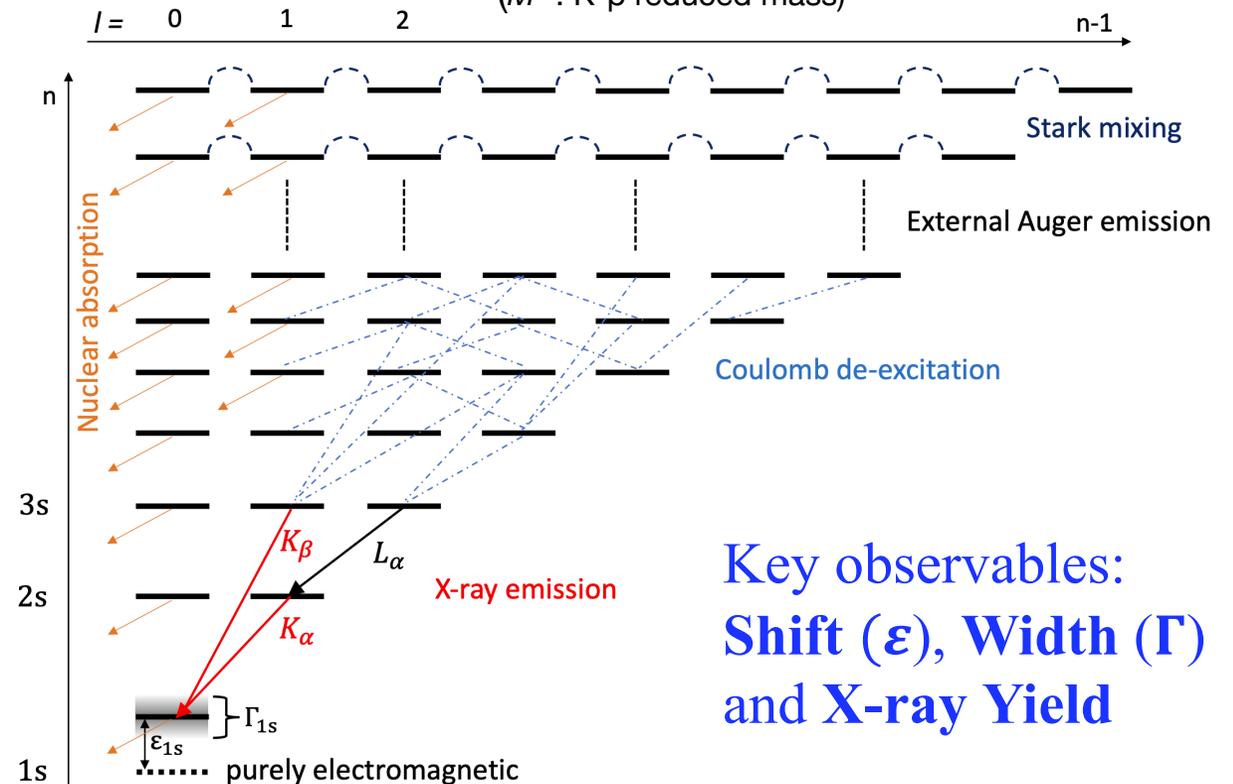
Kaonic Atoms X-ray Spectroscopy

Kaonic atom formation



$$n \sim \sqrt{M^*/m_e} \quad n' \sim 25 \text{ (for K-p)}$$

(M^* : K-p reduced mass)



Key observables:
Shift (ϵ), Width (Γ)
and X-ray Yield

Purely electromagnetic

Diagram showing the $1s$ and $2p$ levels with a transition labeled K_α .

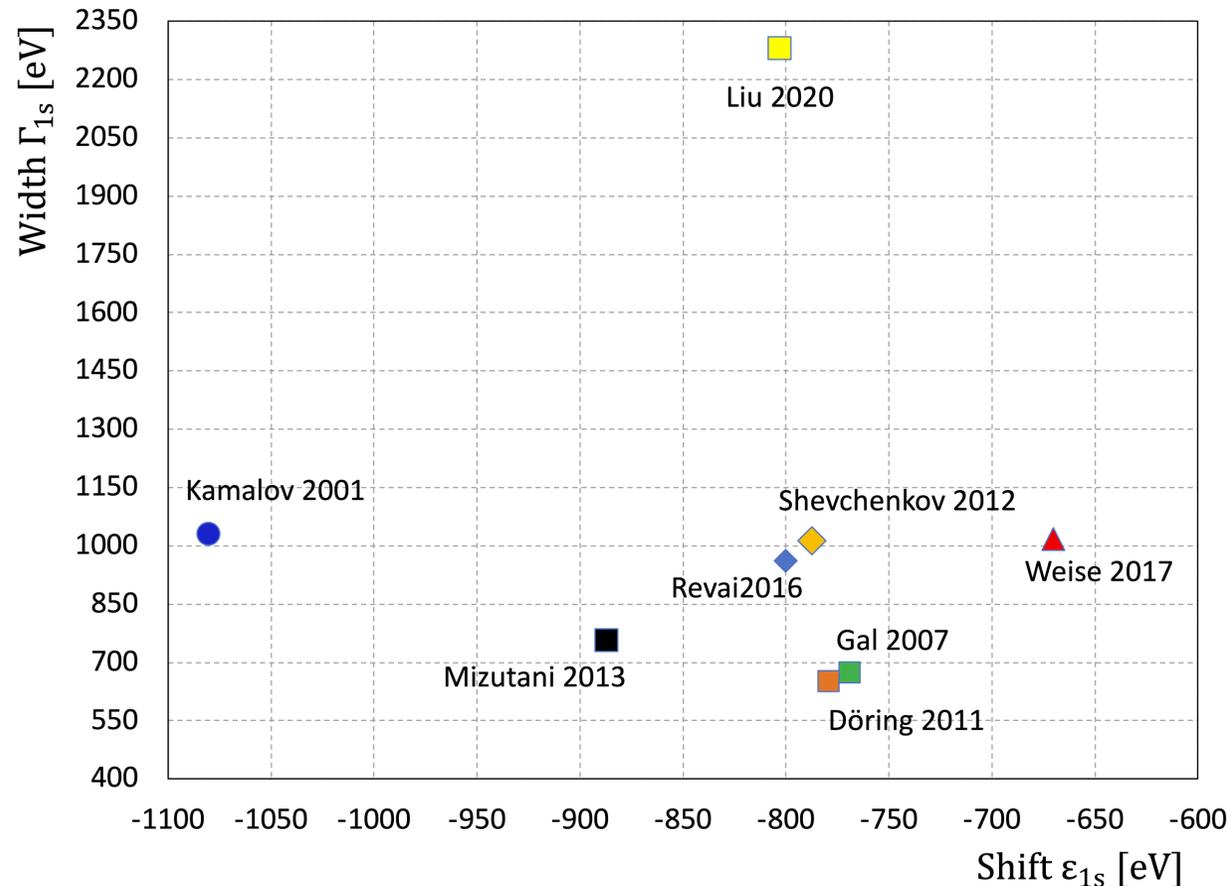
$$\epsilon_{1s} = E_{\text{meas}}^{2p-1s} - E_{e.m.}^{2p-1s}$$

Electromagnetic + strong interaction

Diagram showing the $1s$ and $2p$ levels with a transition labeled K_α . The $1s$ level is split into two states with shifts $-\epsilon_{1s}$ and $+\epsilon_{1s}$, and a width Γ_{1s} . The transition is labeled as repulsive and attractive.

The SIDDHARTA-2 Scientific goal

Scientific goal: first measurement ever of kaonic deuterium X-ray transition to the ground state ($1s$ -level) such as to determine its shift and width induced by the presence of the strong interaction, providing unique data to investigate the QCD in the non-perturbative regime with strangeness.



Theoretical predictions for the kaonic deuterium $1s$ level shift and width

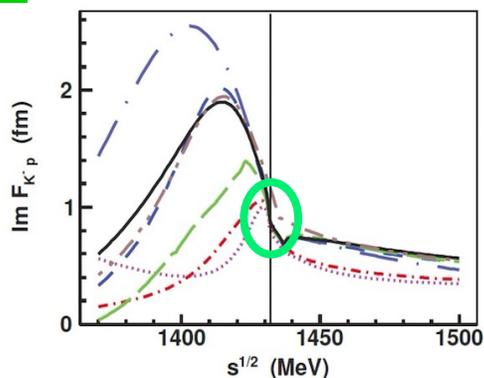
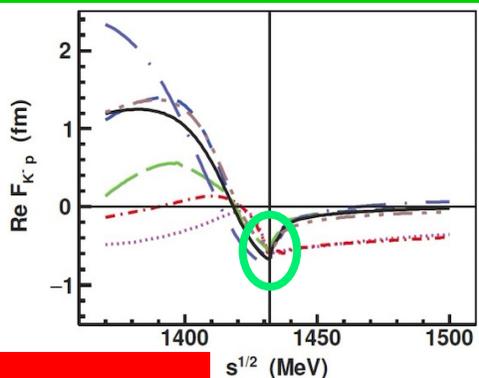
Reference	ϵ_{1s} (eV)	Γ_{1s} (eV)
Kamalov <i>et al.</i> (2001) [55]	-1080	1030
Gal (2007) [56]	-769	674
Döring <i>et al.</i> (2011) [57]	-779	650
Shevchenkov (2012) [58]	-787	1011
Mizutani <i>et al.</i> (2013) [59]	-887	757
Revai (2016) [60]	-800	960
Weise <i>et al.</i> (2017) [61]	-670	1016
Liu <i>et al.</i> (2020) [62]	-803	2280

The low X-rays yield has, until now, prevented the observation of $1s$ level transitions in kaonic deuterium.

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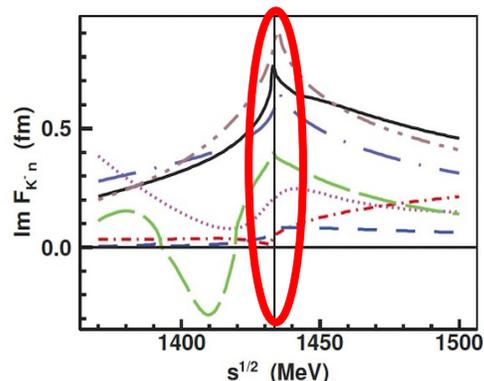
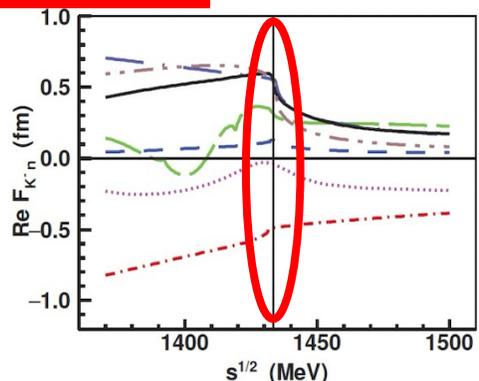
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K-p: agreement → Kaonic Hydrogen



- Prague (P)
- ... Bonn (B₂)
- - - Bonn (B₄)
- Kyoto-Munich (KM)
- · - Barcelona (BCN)
- - - Murcia M_I
- - - Murcia M_{II}

K-n: disagreement



Combined analysis of the kaonic deuterium and kaonic hydrogen measurements

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

(μ_c reduced mass of the K^-p system, α fine-structure constant)

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

$$a_{K^-p} = \frac{1}{2}[a_0 + a_1]$$

$$a_{K^-n} = a_1$$

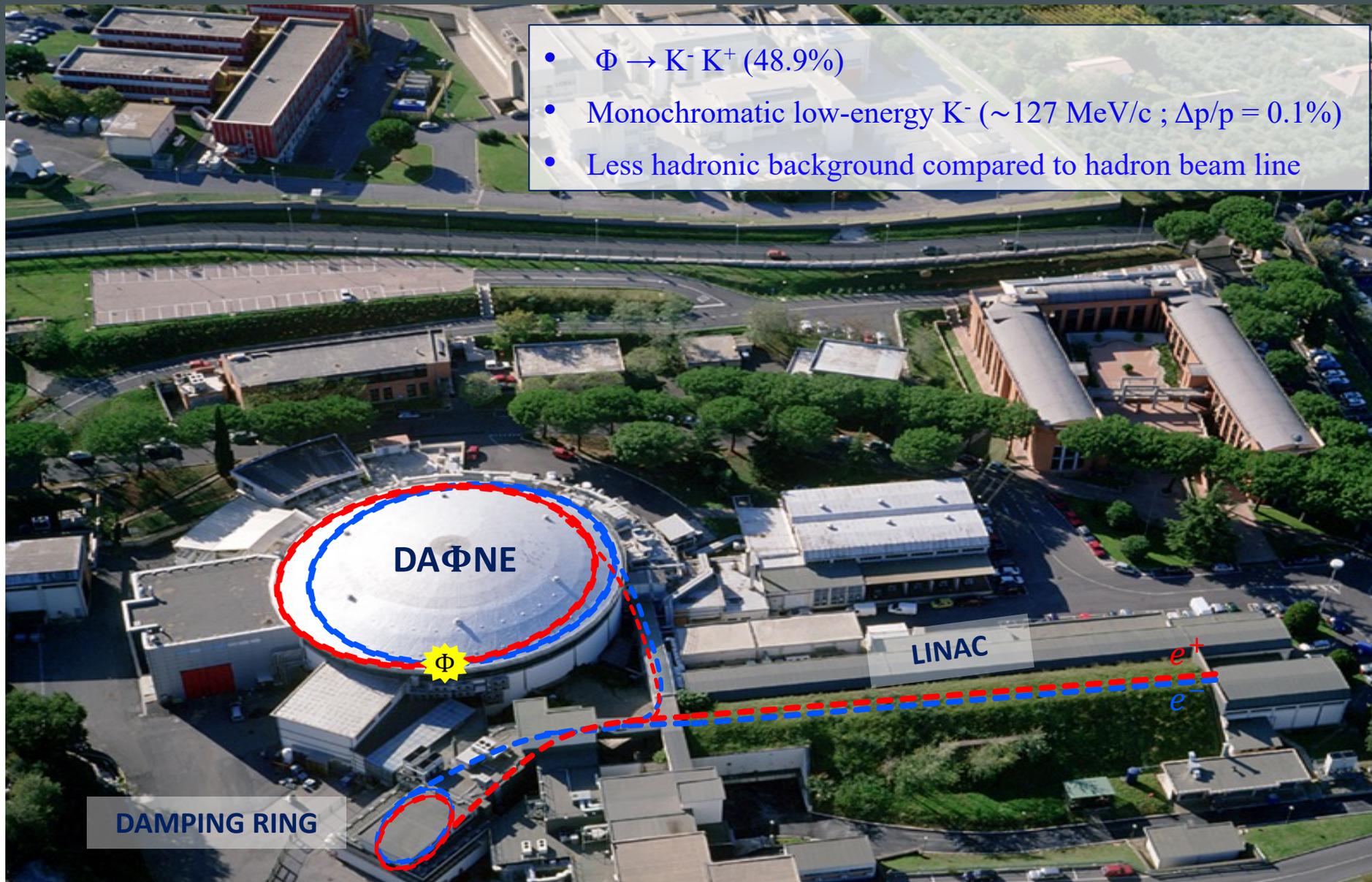
$$a_{K^-d} = \frac{k}{2}[a_{K^-p} + a_{K^-n}] + C = \frac{k}{4}[a_0 + 3a_1] + C$$

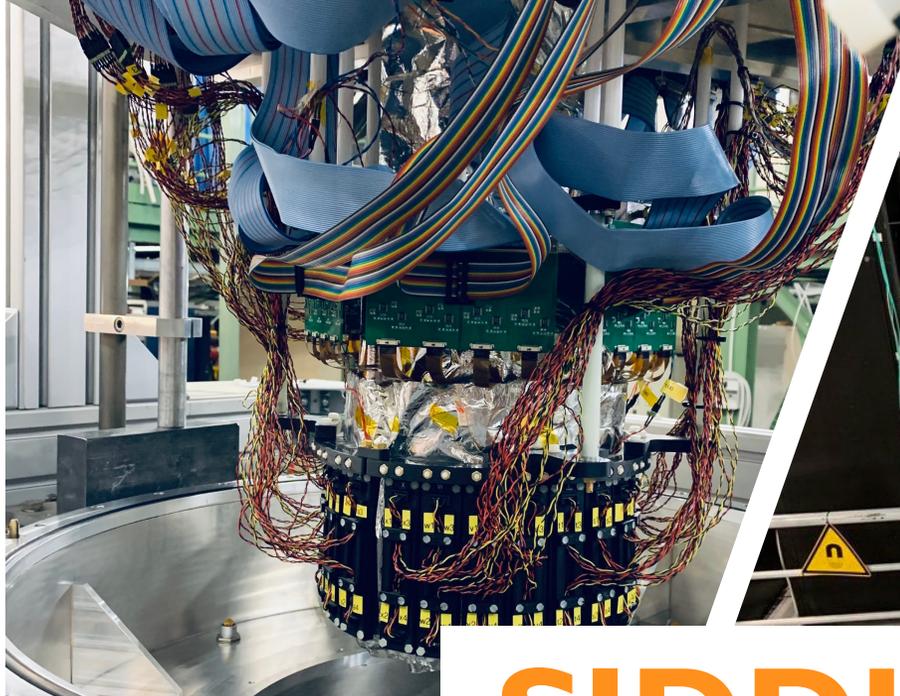
$$k = \frac{4[m_n + m_K]}{2m_n + m_K}$$

Experimental determination of the Isospin-dependent K-N scattering length

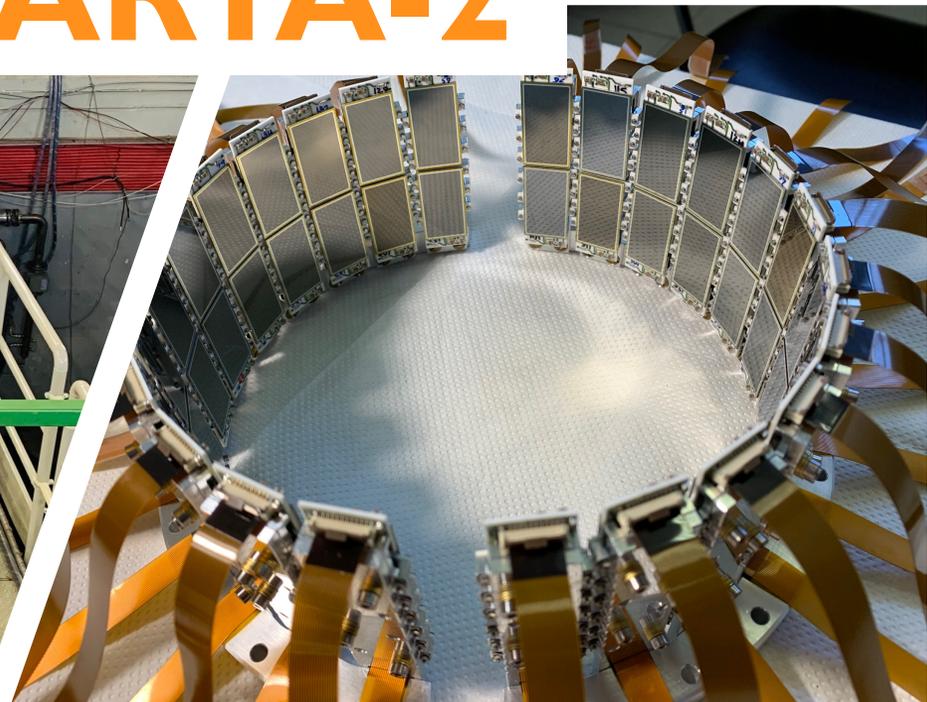
Ciepl y, A. et al. From KN interactions to K-nuclear quasi-bound states. AIP Conf. Proc. 2249, 030014 (2020).

The DAΦNE collider of INFN-LNF

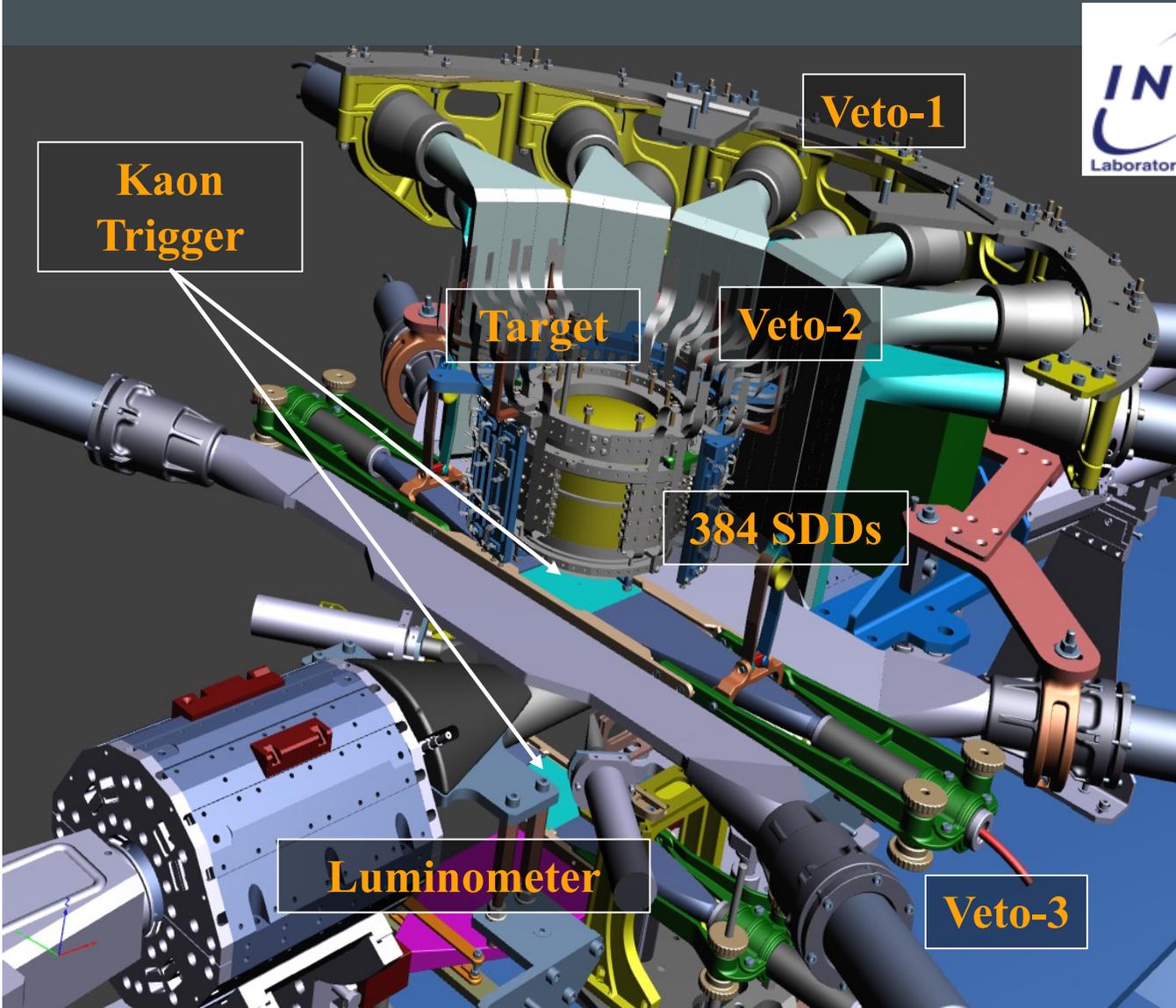




SIDDHARTA-2

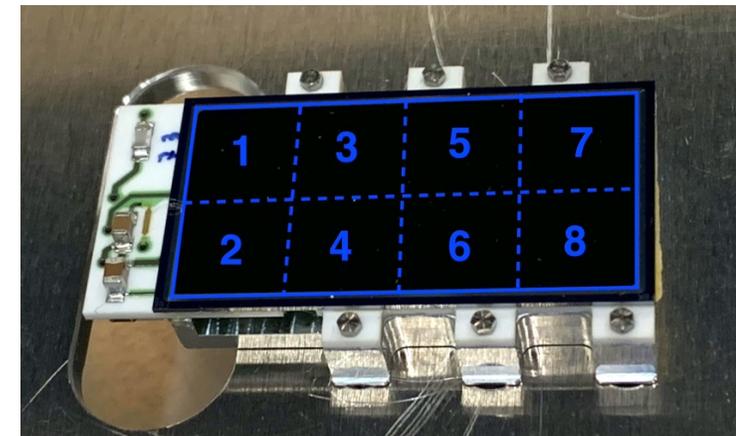


The SIDDHARTA-2 setup and DAΦNE collider



48 Silicon Drift Detector arrays with 8 SDD units (0.64 cm^2) for a total active area of 246 cm^2

The thickness of $450 \mu\text{m}$ ensures a high collection efficiency for X-rays of energy between 5 keV and 12 keV



First kaonic deuterium measurement (2023 -2024)

THE ROAD TO THE FIRST KAONIC DEUTERIUM MEASUREMENT

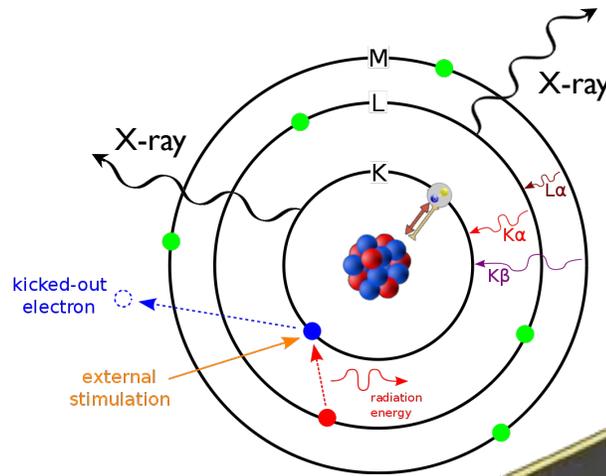
He
Helium
4.003

Ne
Neon
20.180

Deuterium
2.01410
NA: 0.0115%

Ums

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Kaonic Neon (2023)

Kaonic Helium-4 (2021-2022)

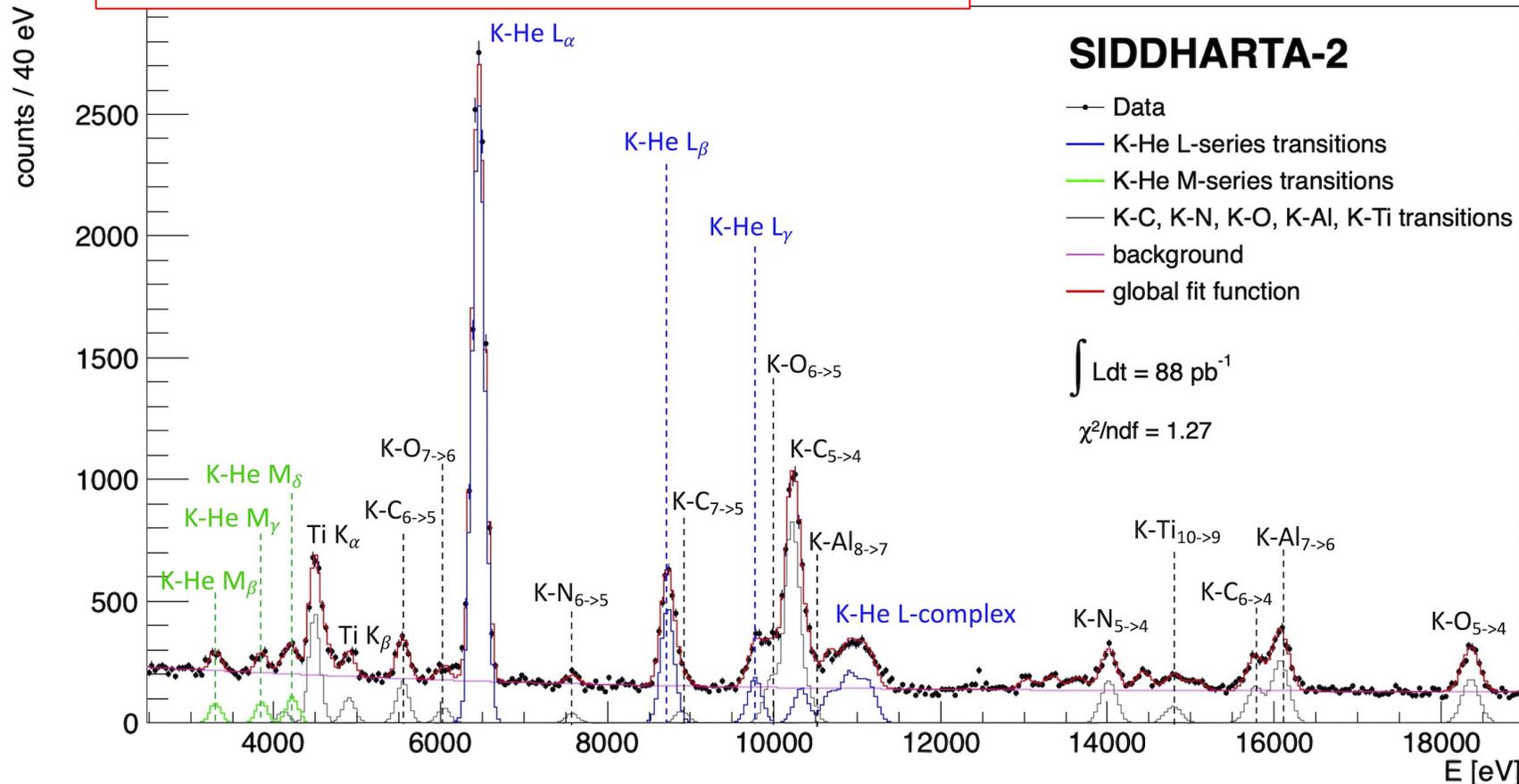
The Kaonic ^4He measurement (2021-2022)

- Most precise measurement of kaonic helium-4 $L\alpha$ in gas: $2p$ level energy shift and width
- First observation of kaonic helium-4 M-series transition ($n \rightarrow 3d$)
- First Measurement of high- n transition in kaonic carbon – nitrogen – oxygen and aluminium

$$\varepsilon_{2p} = E_{3d \rightarrow 2p}^{\text{exp}} - E_{3d \rightarrow 2p}^{\text{e.m.}} = -1.9 \pm 0.8 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$$

$$\Gamma_{2p} = 0.01 \pm 1.60 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.36 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$$

→ no sharp effect of the strong interaction on the $2p$ level



new data to enrich the kaonic atoms transitions database

Transition	Energy [eV]
$\text{K}^- \text{C}$ ($6 \rightarrow 5$)	$5546.0 \pm 5.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{C}$ ($7 \rightarrow 5$)	$8890.0 \pm 13.0 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{C}$ ($5 \rightarrow 4$)	$10216.6 \pm 1.8 \text{ (stat)} \pm 3.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{C}$ ($6 \rightarrow 4$)	$15760.3 \pm 4.7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 12.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{O}$ ($7 \rightarrow 6$)	$6014.8 \pm 8.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{O}$ ($6 \rightarrow 5$)	$9965.1 \pm 6.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{O}$ ($5 \rightarrow 4$)	$18361.1 \pm 5.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 12.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{N}$ ($6 \rightarrow 5$)	$7581.1 \pm 16.0 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{N}$ ($5 \rightarrow 4$)	$14008.0 \pm 6.0 \text{ (stat)} \pm 9.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{Al}$ ($8 \rightarrow 7$)	$10441.0 \pm 8.5 \text{ (stat)} \pm 3.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{Al}$ ($7 \rightarrow 6$)	$16083.4 \pm 3.8 \text{ (stat)} \pm 12.0 \text{ (syst)}$
$\text{K}^- \text{Ti}$ ($10 \rightarrow 9$)	$14790.3 \pm 16.6 \text{ (stat)} \pm 9.0 \text{ (syst)}$

Sgaramella F., et al., 2023, Eur. Phys. J. A, 59 (3) 56

The Kaonic ^4He X-ray Yield (2021-2022)

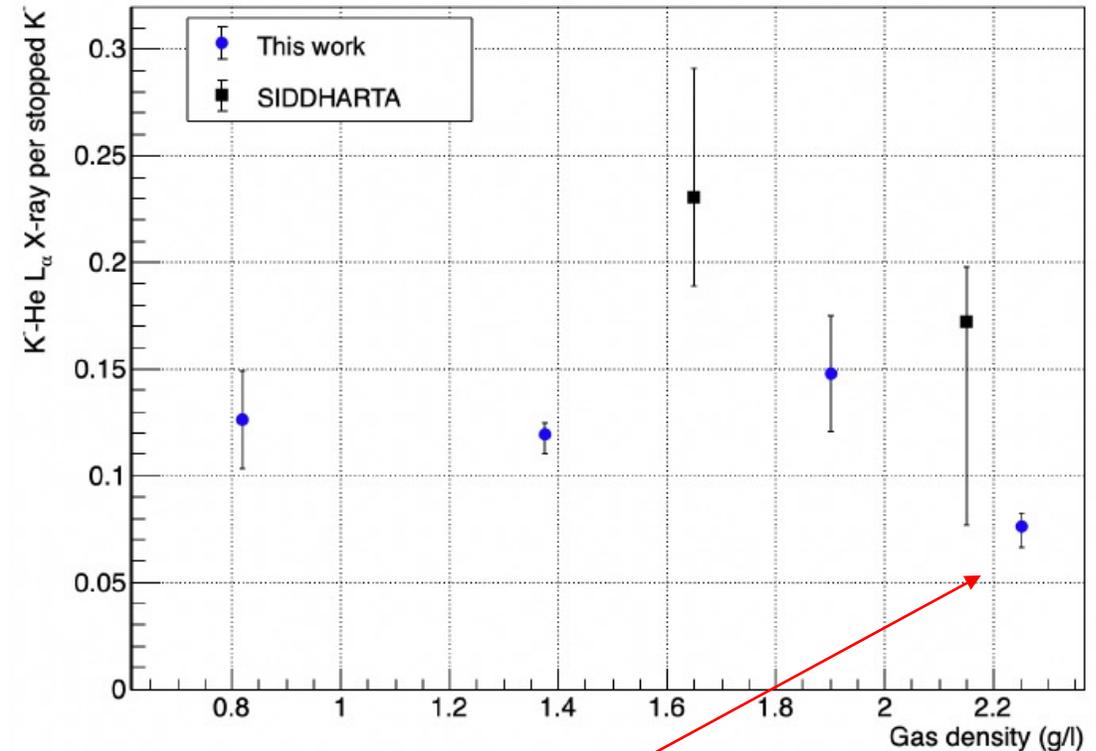
New experimental data for cascade models calculations

The X-ray yield is the key observable to understand the de-excitation mechanism in kaonic atoms and develop more accurate models.

First measurement of
 $\text{K-}^4\text{He}$ M-series transition

Density	1.37 ± 0.07 g/l
L_α yield	0.119 ± 0.002 (stat) $^{+0.006}$ (syst) $_{-0.009}$ (syst)
M_β yield	0.026 ± 0.003 (stat) $^{+0.010}$ (syst) $_{-0.001}$ (syst)
L_β / L_α	0.172 ± 0.008 (stat)
L_γ / L_α	0.012 ± 0.001 (stat)
M_β / L_α	0.218 ± 0.029 (stat)
M_γ / M_β	0.48 ± 0.11 (stat)
M_δ / M_β	0.43 ± 0.12 (stat)

Study of yield density dependence
for the $\text{K-}^4\text{He}$ L_α transition



Sgaramella F., et al, 2024, *J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys.* 51 055103

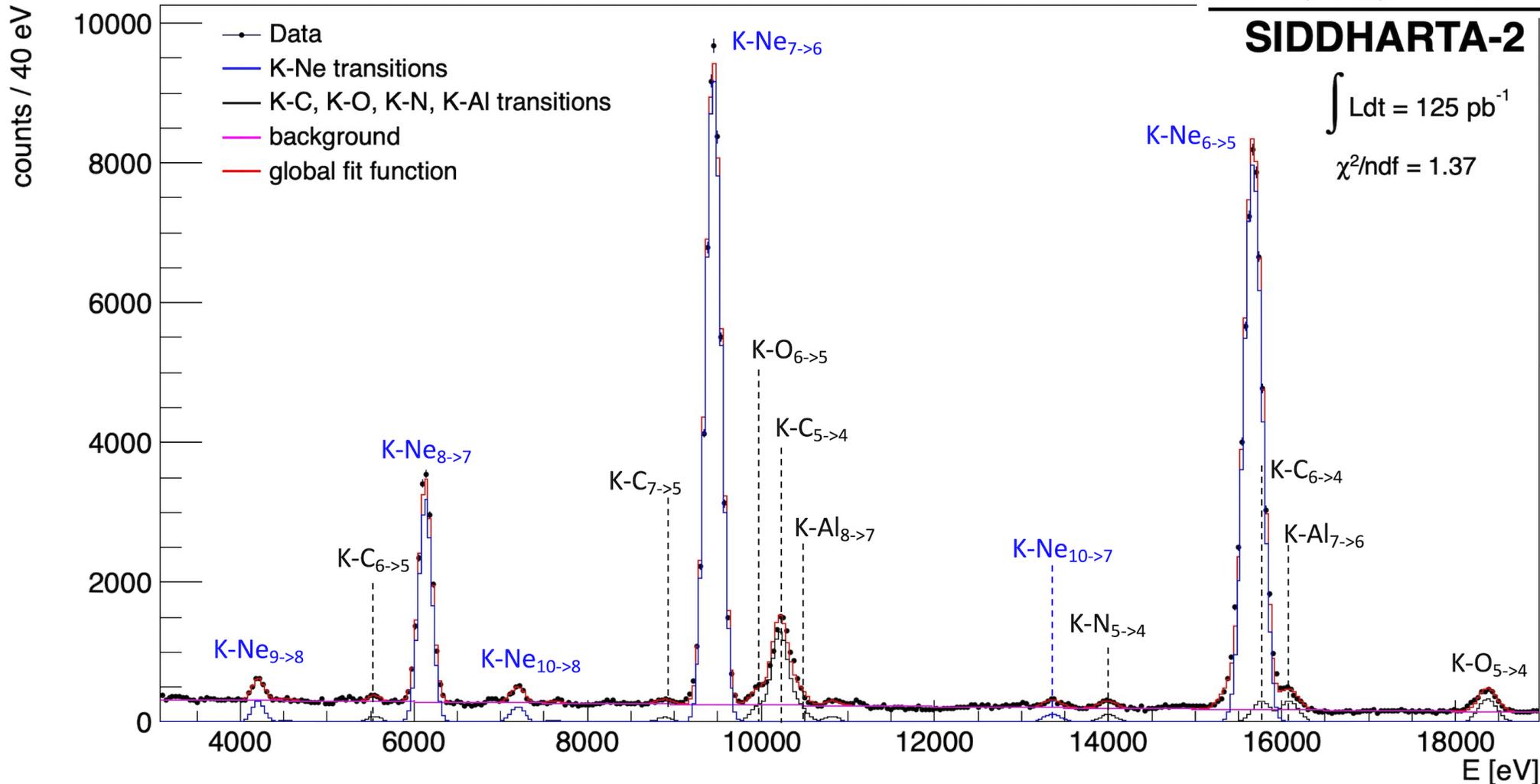
Sirghi D.L., Shi H., Guaraldo C., Sgaramella F., et al., 2023, *Nucl. Phys. A*, 1029 122567

First observation of the stark effect in kaonic helium-4

The Kaonic Neon measurement (2023)

First measurement of kaonic neon X-ray transitions
(sub eV statistical accuracy)

Transition	Energy [eV]
K-Ne (9 → 8)	4206.35 ± 3.75 (stat) ± 2.00 (syst) eV
K-Ne (8 → 7)	6130.86 ± 0.71 (stat) ± 1.50 (syst) eV
K-Ne (10 → 8)	7191.21 ± 4.91 (stat) ± 2.00 (syst) eV
K-Ne (7 → 6)	9450.08 ± 0.41 (stat) ± 1.50 (syst) eV
K-Ne (10 → 7)	13352.20 ± 10.07 (stat) ± 3.00 (syst) eV
K-Ne (6 → 5)	15673.30 ± 0.52 (stat) ± 9.00 (syst) eV



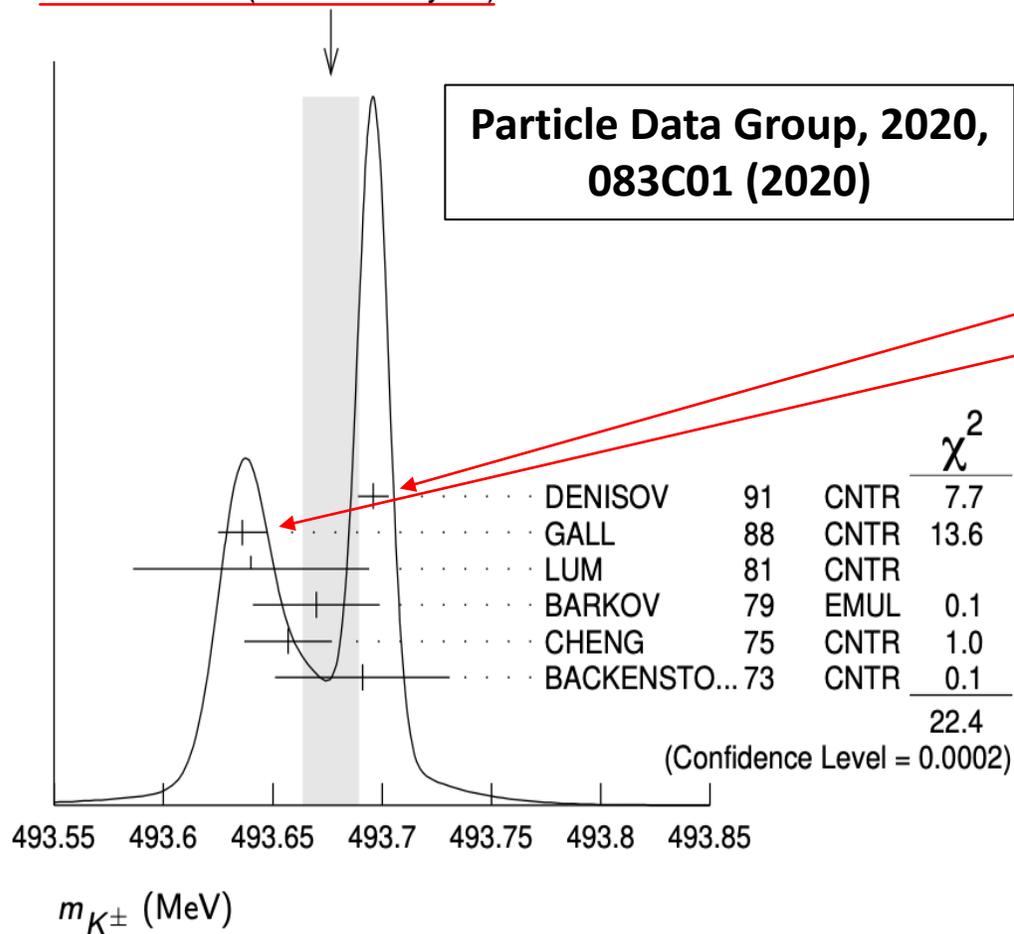
[Article in preparation](#)

The charged kaon mass puzzle

60 keV discrepancy between the two most accurate measurement

WEIGHTED AVERAGE
 493.677 ± 0.013 (Error scaled by 2.4)

Particle Data Group, 2020,
 083C01 (2020)



VALUE (MeV)	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	CHG	COMMENT
493.677 ± 0.016 OUR FIT				Error includes scale factor of 2.8.
493.677 ± 0.013 OUR AVERAGE				Error includes scale factor of 2.4. See the ideogram below.
493.696 ± 0.007	¹ DENISOV	91	CNTR	— Kaonic atoms
493.636 ± 0.011	² GALL	88	CNTR	— Kaonic atoms
493.640 ± 0.054	LUM	81	CNTR	— Kaonic atoms
493.670 ± 0.029	BARKOV	79	EMUL	± $e^+ e^- \rightarrow K^+ K^-$
493.657 ± 0.020	² CHENG	75	CNTR	— Kaonic atoms
493.691 ± 0.040	BACKENSTO...73		CNTR	— Kaonic atoms

Large uncertainty \rightarrow 26 p.p.m,
 compared to charged pion:
 $m_\pi = 139.57061 \pm 0.00023$ MeV, 1.6 p.p.m

The charged kaon mass puzzle

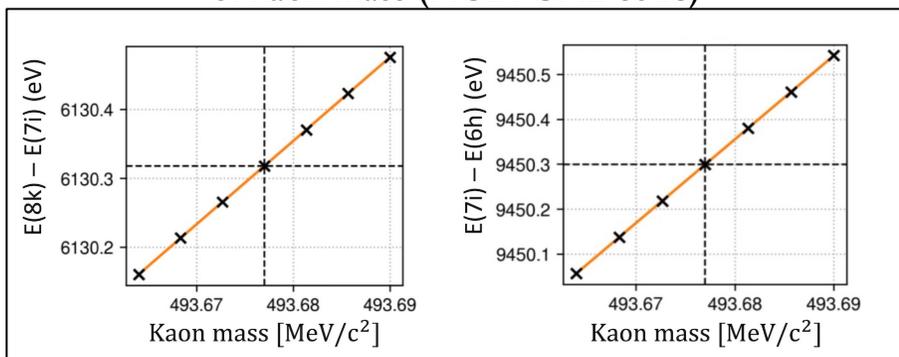
The measurement of kaonic neon high-n transitions can potentially solve the charged kaon mass puzzle

The kaonic Neon measurement to determine the K^- (K^+) mass

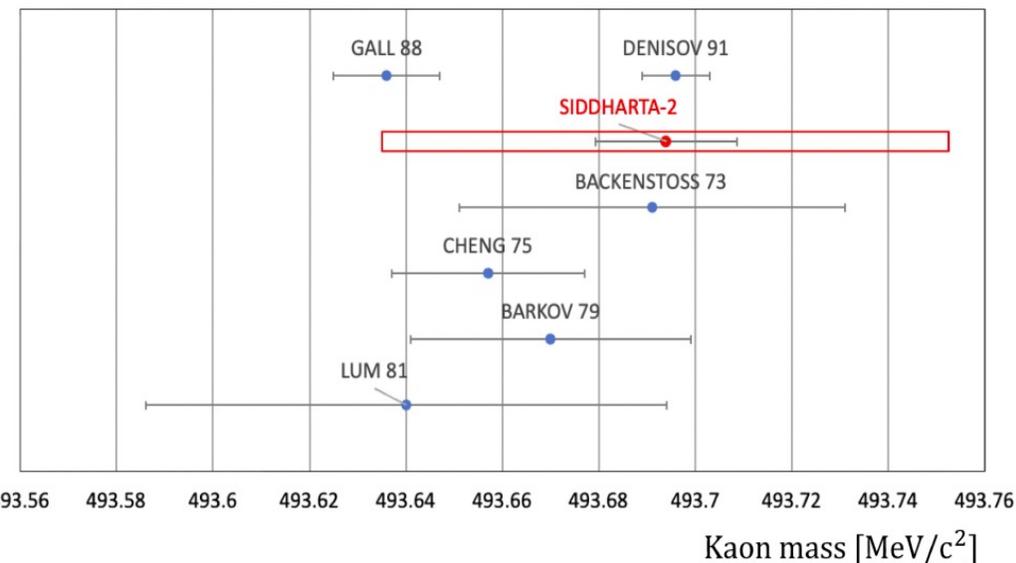


Less/different systematic uncertainty with respect to DENISOV 91 and GALL 88 measurements, thanks to the use of a low Z gas target

Kaonic Ne energy transition as function of kaon mass (MCDFGME code)



Santos, J. & Parente, F. & Indelicato, Paul & Desclaux, J.. (2005). X-ray energies of circular transitions and electron screening in kaonic atoms. *Physical Review A*. 71.10.1103/PhysRevA.71.032501.



$$K - Ne(8 \rightarrow 7) = \frac{A_G}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(E-E_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad E_0 = (m_{8 \rightarrow 7} \cdot K_{mass} + q_{8 \rightarrow 7})$$

$$K - Ne(7 \rightarrow 6) = \frac{A_G}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(E-E_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad E_0 = (m_{7 \rightarrow 6} \cdot K_{mass} + q_{7 \rightarrow 6})$$

Measurement	Kaon mass [MeV]
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CHENG 75 [116]	493.657 ± 0.020
BACKENSTOSS 73 [117]	493.691 ± 0.040
This work	493.694 ± 0.015 (stat) ± 0.060 (syst)

The first kaonic deuterium measurement (2023-2024)

The SIDDHARTA-2 collaboration aims to perform the first measurement of the strong interaction induced **energy shift and width** of the **kaonic deuterium** ground state with **similar precision as K-p !**

- **First run** with SIDDHARTA-2 optimized setup for **200 pb⁻¹** integrated luminosity: May – July 2023
- **Second run** - October – December 2023: **344 pb⁻¹**
- **Third run 2024** - February – April 2024: **435 pb⁻¹**

Kaonic deuterium
Run I

Kaonic deuterium
Run2

Kaonic deuterium
Run3

May – July
2023

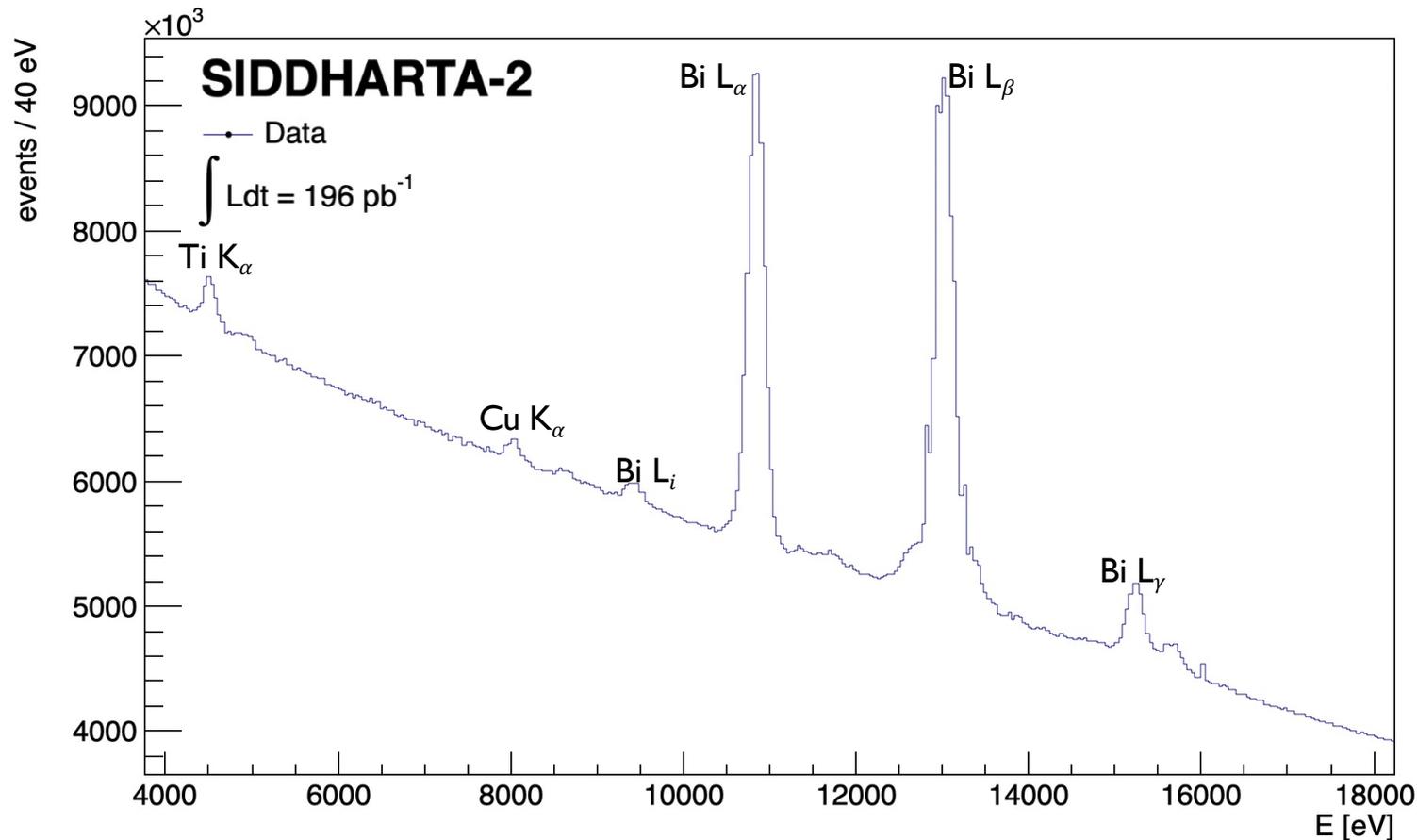
October – December
2023

February – April
2024

Run I data analysis and
preliminary results

The first kaonic deuterium measurement

Inclusive energy spectrum: the continuous background and the fluorescence peaks are due to the electromagnetic (asynchronous) and hadronic (synchronous) background

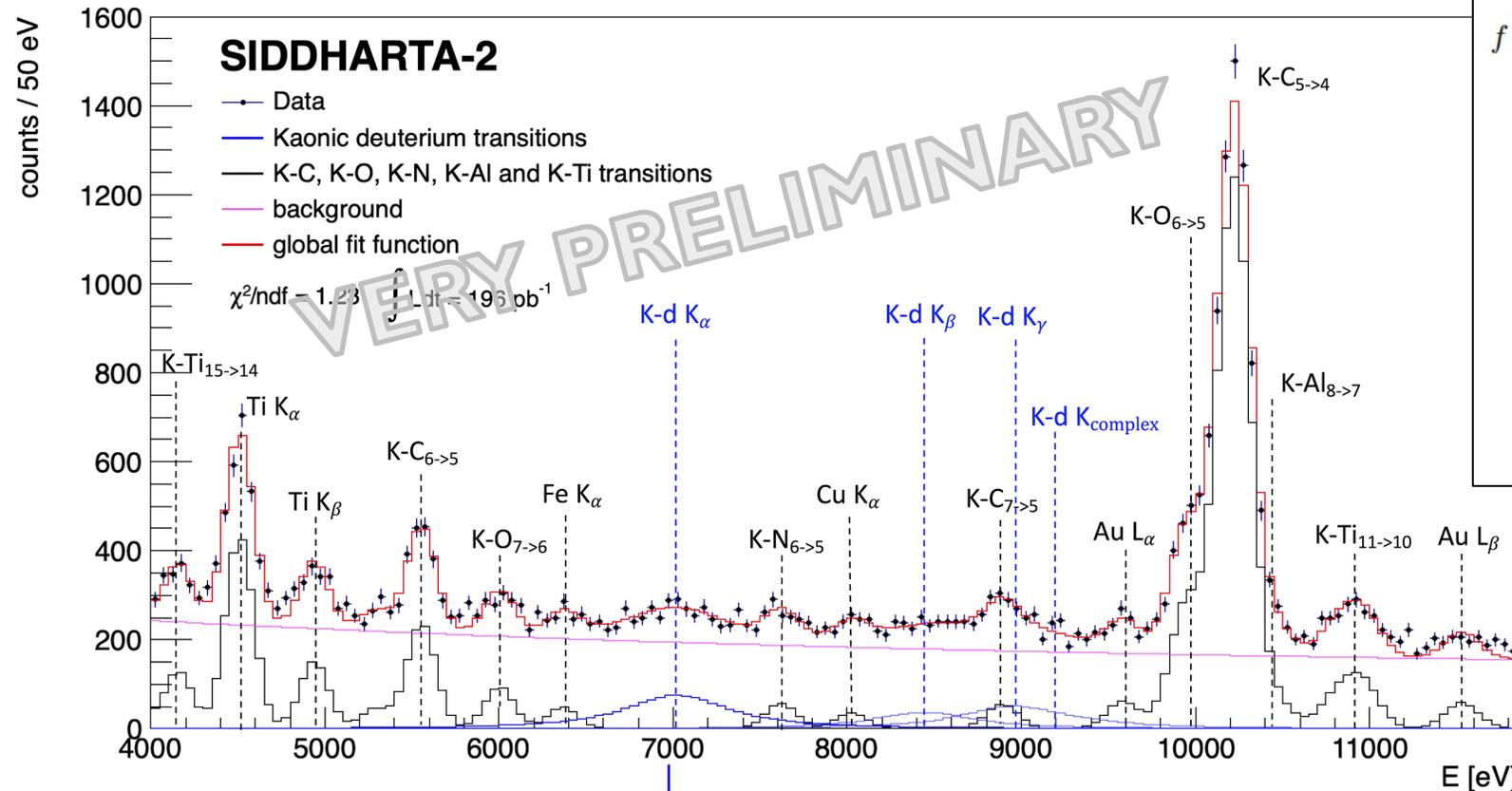


-Asynchronous background: the electromagnetic shower produced in the accelerator pipe (and other setup materials) invested by e-/e+ lost from the beam overlaps the signal; the loss rate in the interaction region reaches few MHz. The main contribution comes from Touschek effect. → [Kaon Trigger](#) and [SDDs drift time](#)

-Synchronous background, associated to kaon absorption on materials nuclei, or to other Φ decay channels. It can be considered a hadronic background.

-Spectra contamination by Xray fluorescence or by X-rays produced in higher transitions of other kaonic atoms, formed in the setup materials;
→ [Veto systems](#)

The first kaonic deuterium measurement



$$f = \text{pol}_1(E) + \exp(E) + \sum_i \text{Gauss}(A_{Gi}, E_i, \sigma) + \text{Tail}(A_{Ti}, E_i, \beta, \sigma) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{2 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{2 \rightarrow 1}, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{3 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{3 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{4 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{5 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{5 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

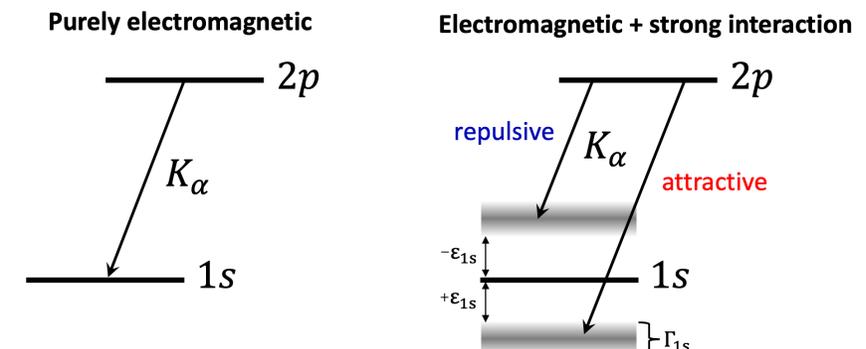
$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{6 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{6 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{7 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{7 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*)$$

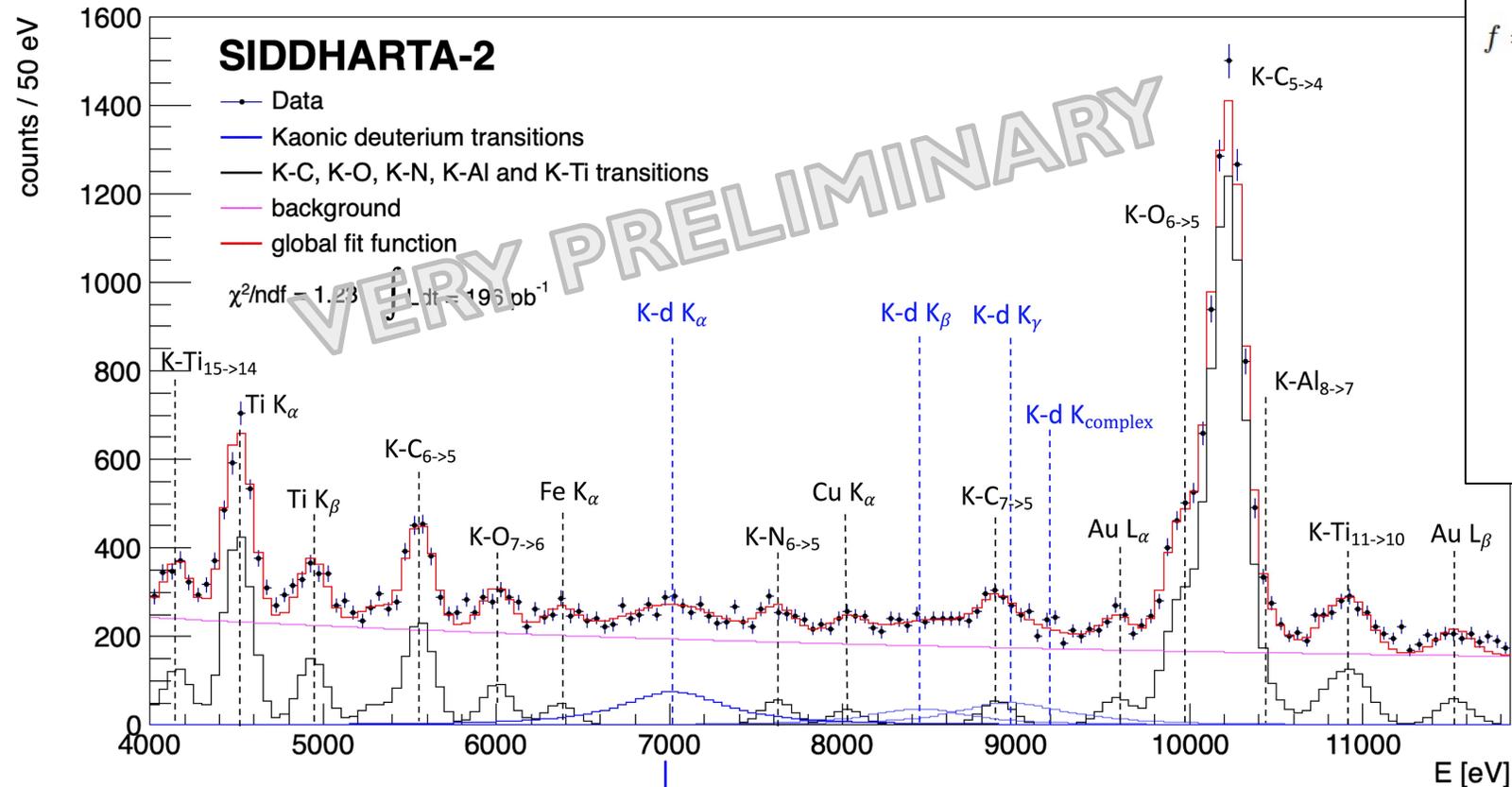
$$L(E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma}{(E - E_0)^2 + (\frac{1}{2}\Gamma)^2}$$

$$\varepsilon_{1s} = E_{2p \rightarrow 1s}^{meas} - E_{2p \rightarrow 1s}^{e.m.} = -816 \pm 53 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$$

$$\Gamma_{1s} = 756 \pm 271 \text{ (stat)} \text{ eV}$$



The first kaonic deuterium measurement



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$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{5 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{5 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{6 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{6 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*) +$$

$$A_{Kd_{4 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot A_{rel_{7 \rightarrow 1}} \cdot \text{Voigt}(E_{7 \rightarrow 1}^{e.m.} + \varepsilon_{1s}^*, \sigma, \Gamma_{1s}^*)$$

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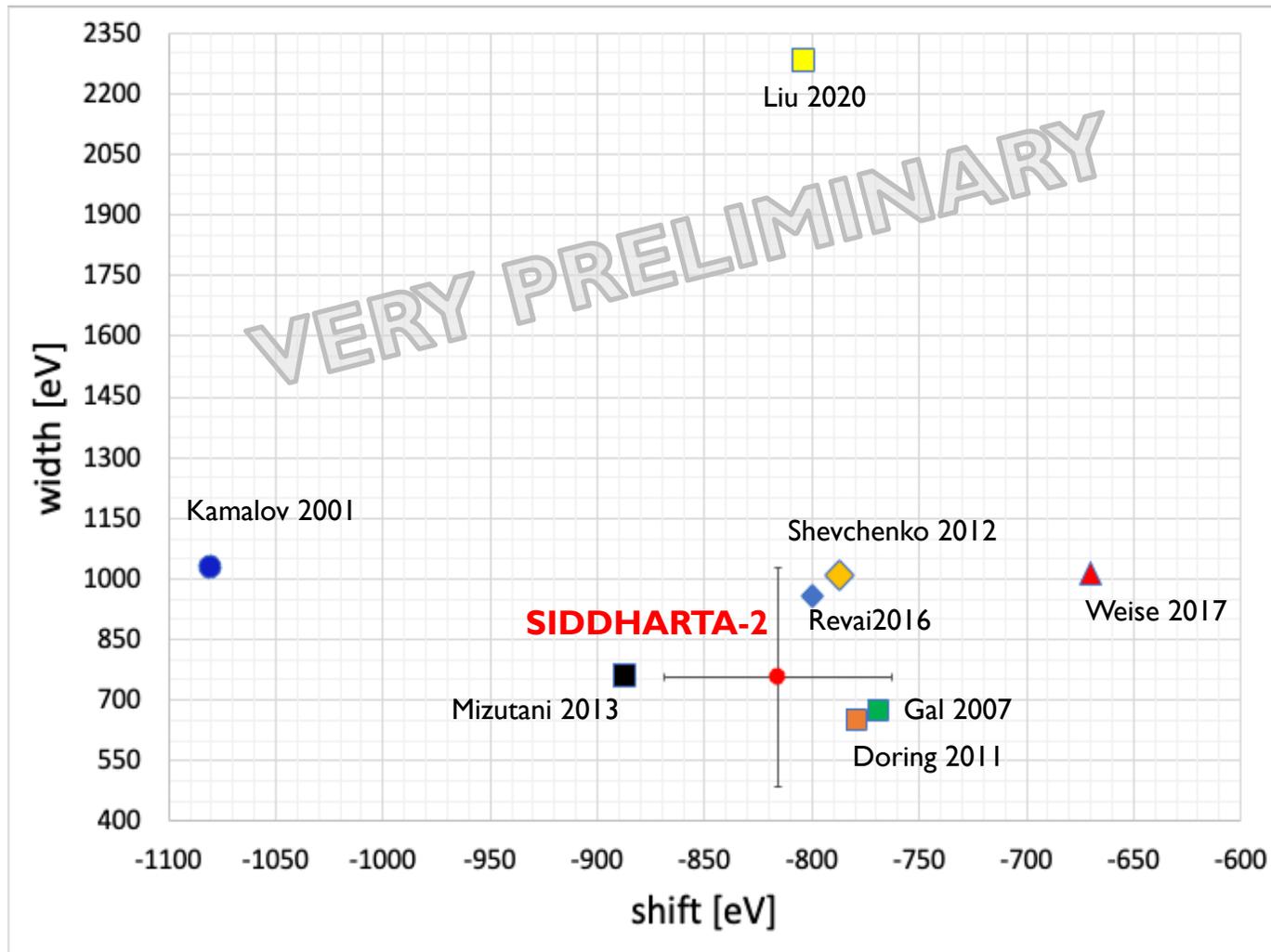
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“The most important experiment to be carried out in low energy K-meson physics today is the **definitive determination of the energy level shifts in the K-p and K-d atoms**, because of their direct connection with the physics of $\bar{K}N$ interaction and their complete independence from all other kinds of measurements which bear on this interaction”.

R.H. Dalitz (1982)

Kaonic Deuterium Run1: preliminary result

Preliminary comparison between SIDDHARTA-2 Run1 result and the theoretical models



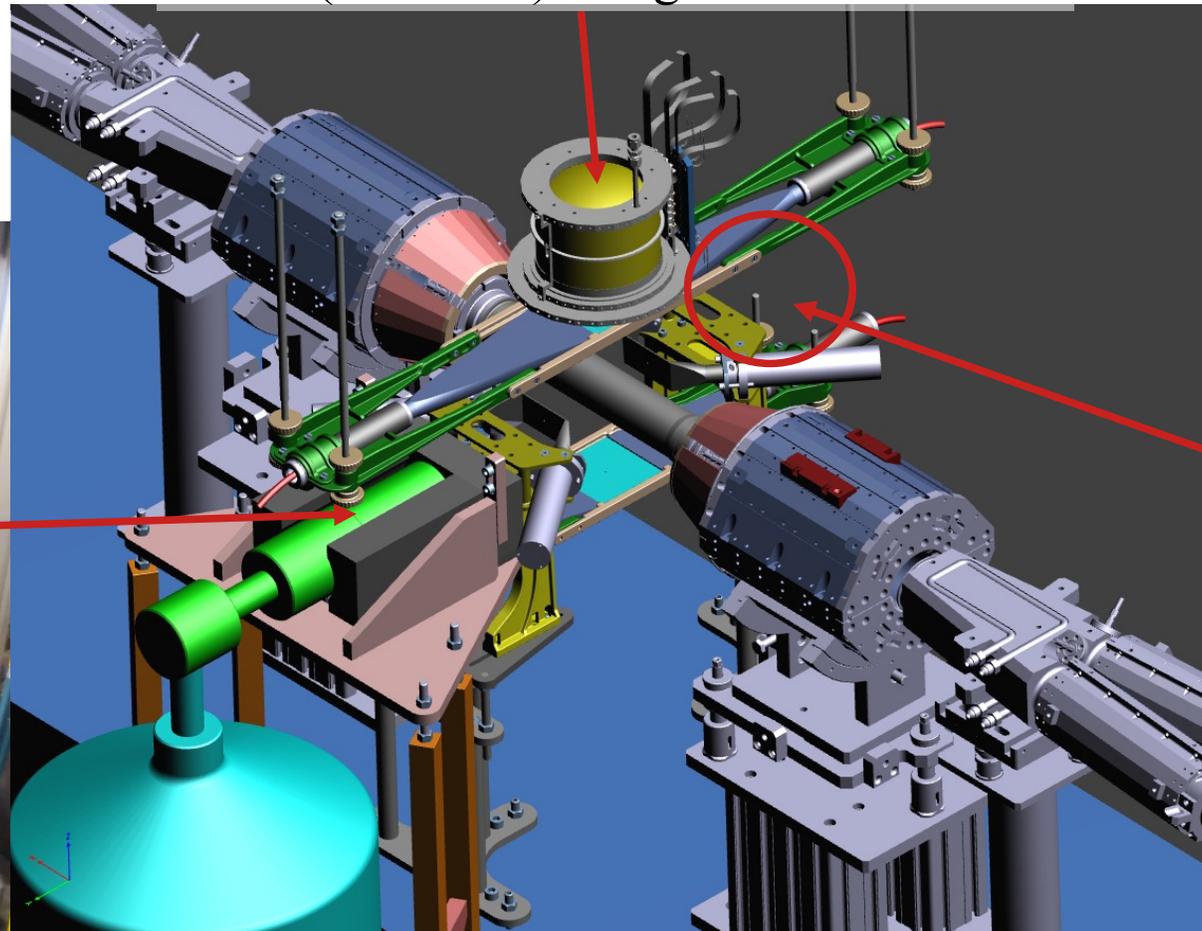
The analysis of the full dataset can potentially improve the statistical accuracy by a factor 2 (precision similar to kaonic hydrogen measurement)

Exploiting DAΦNE

DAΦNE delivers almost 4π K^-

We want to exploit this unique beam as much as possible to perform important physics measurements

SDDs (4-15 keV) - Light Kaonic Atoms



HPGe
(0,1-1 MeV)

Heavy Kaonic Atoms

CdZnTe
(30-300 keV)

Intermediate Kaonic Atoms

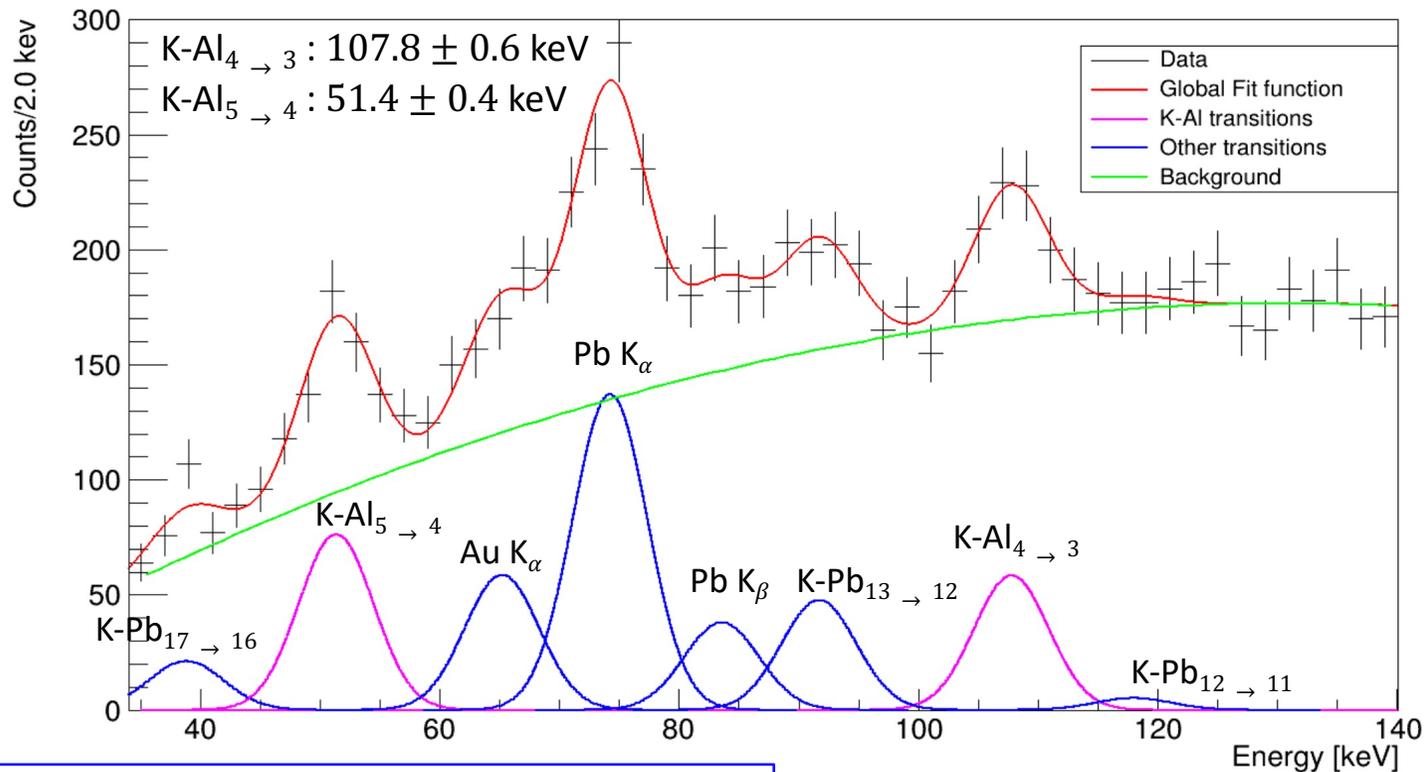
Two modules (8 CdZnTe) installed



CdZnTe detectors: test run with 8 detectors

8 cm² CdZnTe detectors to perform X-ray spectroscopy of kaonic aluminium in parallel with SIDDHARTA-2 kaonic deuterium run
(Advanced ultra-fast solid STate detectors for high precision RAdiation spectroscopy : ASTRA)

~ 60 pb⁻¹ of data with a 2,2 mm Al target



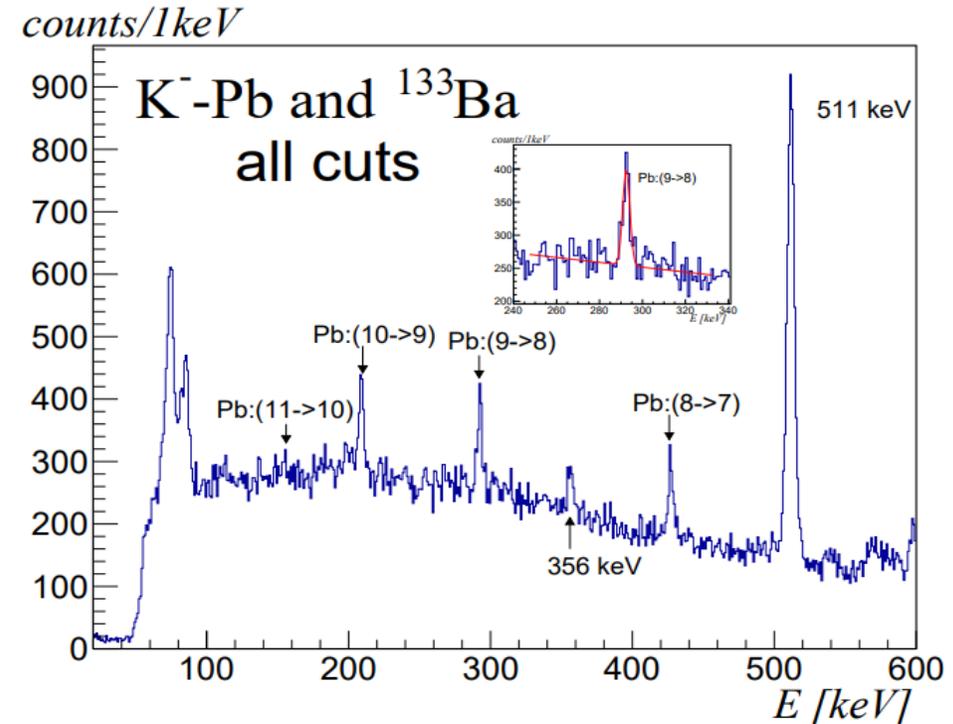
- First kaonic atoms' spectrum measured with CZT detectors
- CZT proved to be the **perfect technology for intermediate mass kaonic atoms**, with very good “in-beam” performances during preliminary tests
- CdZnTe detectors can be easily used in parallel with already existing experiments, requiring very small space and not invasive electronics.

See A. Zappettini Talk
“CdZnTe-based radiation detectors, a breakthrough for hadron physics”

Kaonic Lead Measurement at DAΦNE with HPGe

Installed in the antiboost side of the IP to perform the kaonic lead measurement in parallel with the SIDDHARTA-2 kaonic deuterium measurement

Integrated luminosity: 109.38 pb^{-1} : subset of 40 pb^{-1} already analysed



K^- -Pb transition	Peak position (keV)	Resolution (FWHM) (keV)	Number of events
$10 \rightarrow 9$	208.92 ± 0.17	3.68 ± 0.42	584 ± 30
$9 \rightarrow 8$	292.47 ± 0.17	3.97 ± 0.49	770 ± 65
$8 \rightarrow 7$	427.07 ± 0.24	4.37 ± 0.54	457 ± 45

Article submitted to Nuclear Instruments and Methods A preprint: [arXiv:2405.12942](https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.12942)

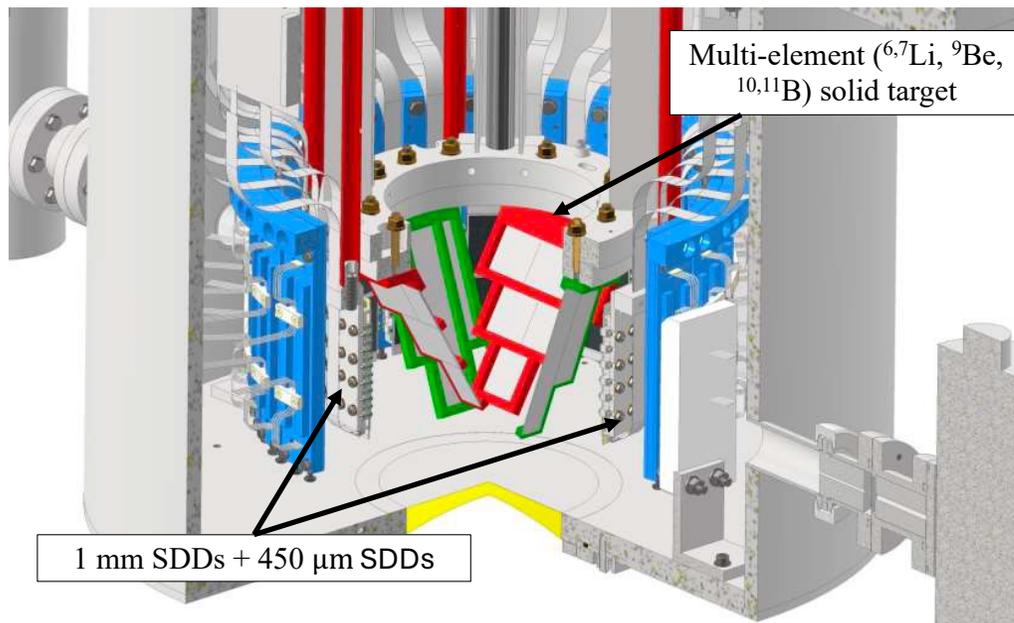
Beyond SIDDHARTA-2: EXKALIBUR

EXtensive **KA**onic **A**toms research: from **L**ithium and **B**eryllium to **U**Ranium

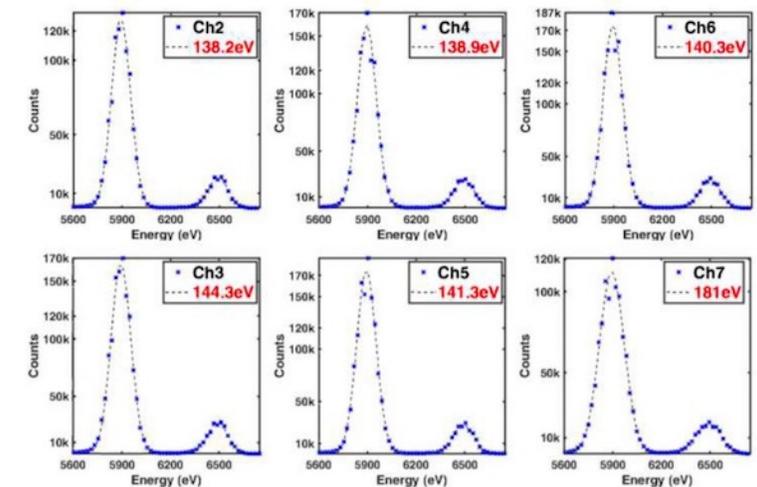
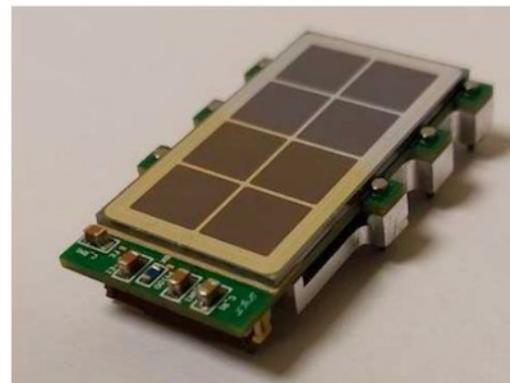
Precision measurements along the periodic table at DAΦNE for:

- Selected light kaonic atoms (LHKA) – Li, Be, B
- Selected intermediate and heavy kaonic atoms charting the periodic table (IMKA) – Al, C, O, S, Pb

Dedicated runs with different types of detectors: **CZT detectors, HpGe, SDDs**

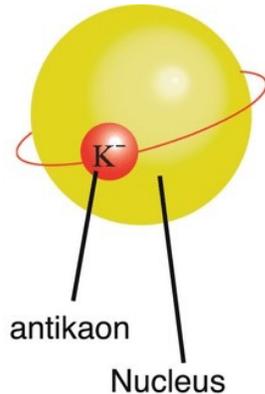


New 1mm thick SDDs have been developed to achieve a **Higher quantum efficiency needed to perform the measurement of**



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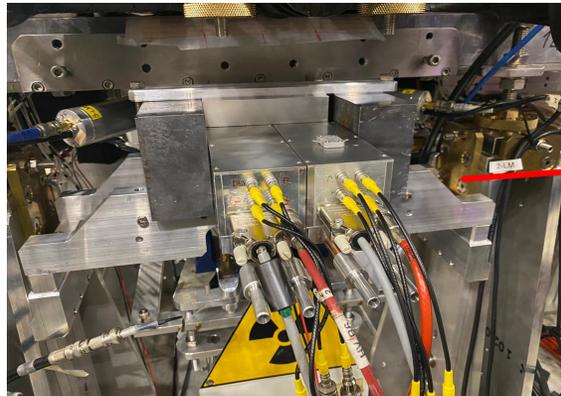
Proposal to perform fundamental physics at the strangeness frontier at DAΦNE (Italy) and JPARC (Japan)
Kaonic atoms data are the experimental basis for all the theoretical models used to derive:
KN, KNN interaction at threshold, Kaon mass, cascade models, possible existence of kaon condensates



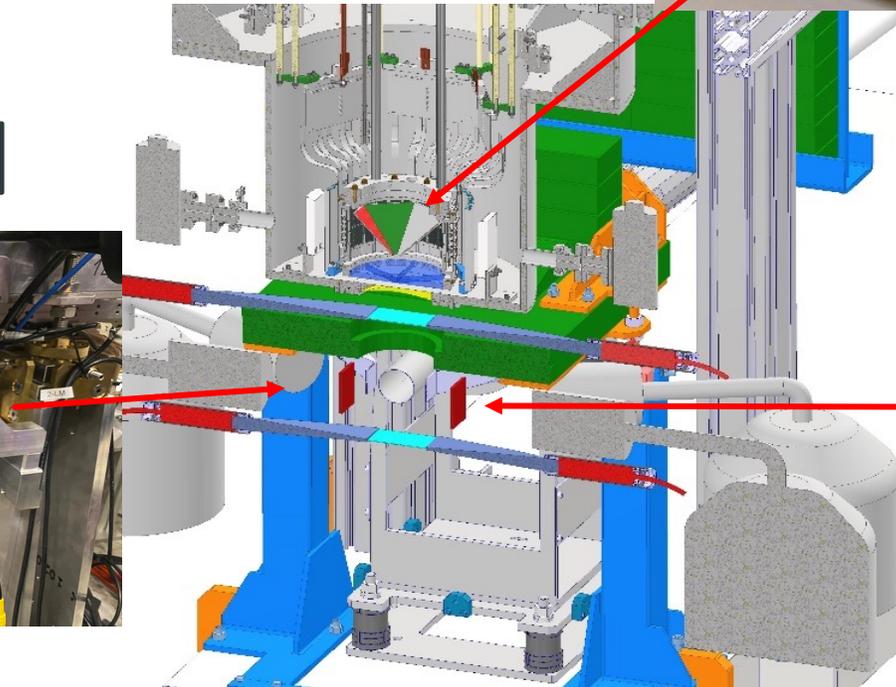
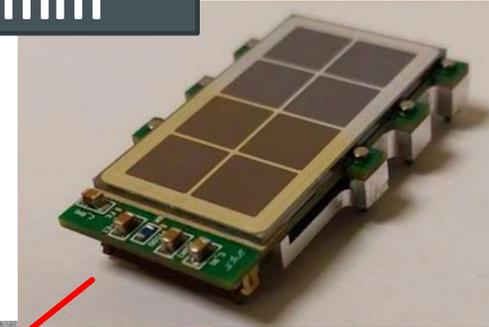
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Kaonic atoms at DAΦNE collider: a strangeness adventure
C. Curceanu et al.,
doi.org/10.3389/fphy.2023.1240250

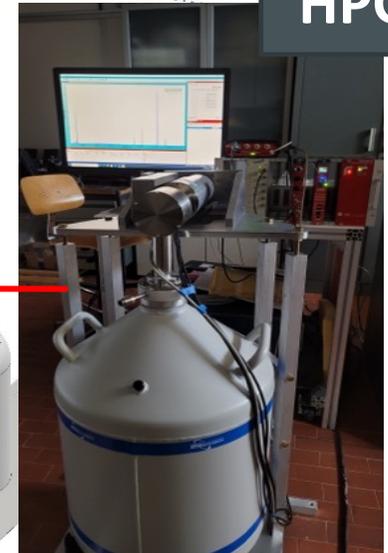
Cd(Zn)Te



SDD 1mm



HPGe



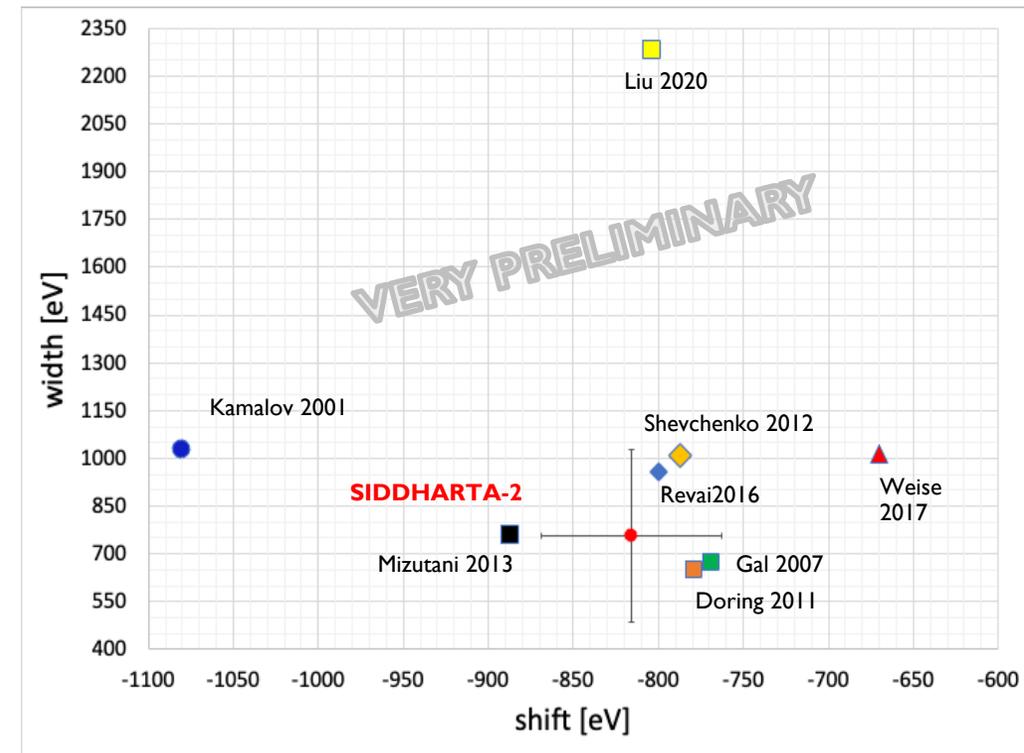
Conclusion

- **KHe L-transition measurement in gas** : J. Phys. G 49 (2022) 5, 055106
- **Kaonic helium-4 yields L-lines in gas** : Nucl. Phys. A 1029 (2023) 122567 - Nucl. Phys. A, (2023) 1029 122567
- **First measurement of intermediate mass kaonic atoms**: Eur. Phys. J. A 59(2023)3, 56
- **First Measurement of KHe M-lines** : J. Phys. G (2024) 51 055103
- **First Measurement of kaonic Neon** (stat. precision < 1 eV)

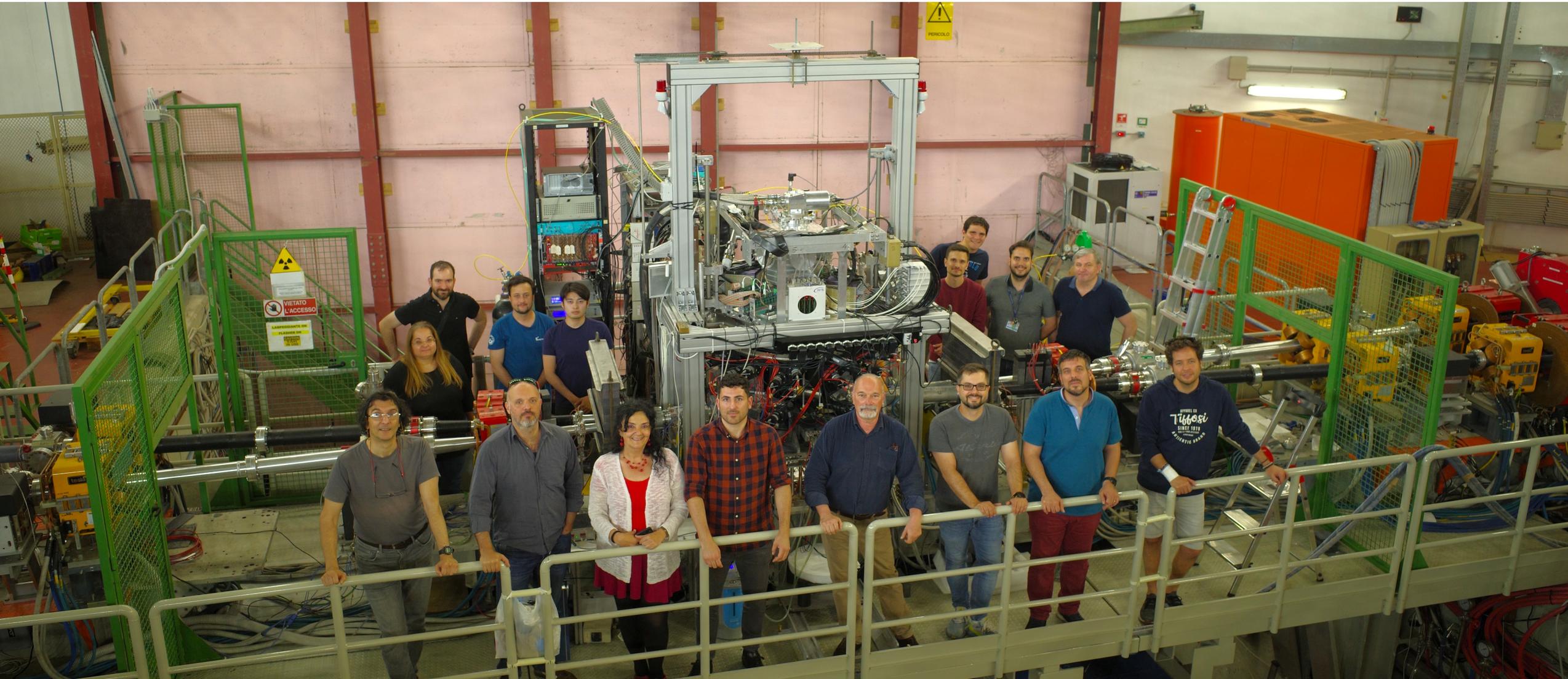
- **First measurement of Kaonic Deuterium: preliminary analysis**

$$\varepsilon_{1s} = E_{2p \rightarrow 1s}^{meas} - E_{2p \rightarrow 1s}^{e.m.} = -816 \pm 53 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$$
$$\Gamma_{1s} = 756 \pm 271 \text{ (stat)} \text{ eV}$$

- **EXKALIBUR**: new X-ray detectors (**SDDs – CZT - HPGe**) have been developed/tested to perform **kaonic atoms measurements along the periodic table** providing new experimental data to probe the **kaon-nucleus interaction**



THANK YOU





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The **SIDDHARTA-2** collaboration

Silicon **D**rift **D**etectors for **H**adronic **A**tom **R**esearch by **T**iming **A**pplication

LNF-INFN, Frascati, Italy

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Politecnico di Milano, Italy

IFIN –HH, Bucharest, Romania

TUM, Munich, Germany

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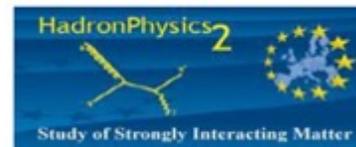
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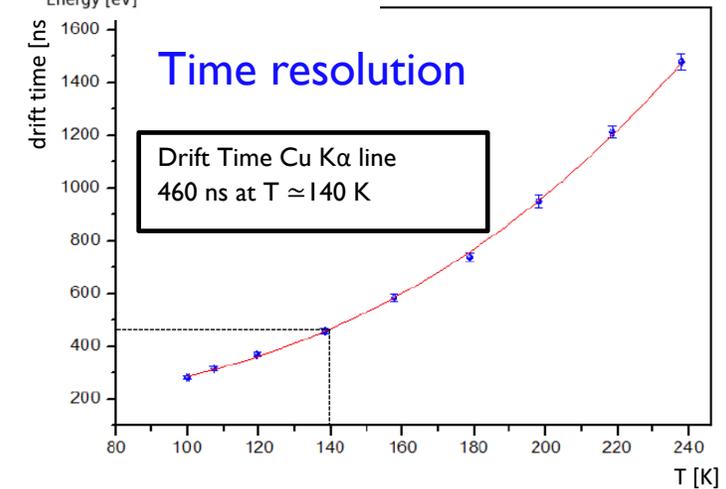
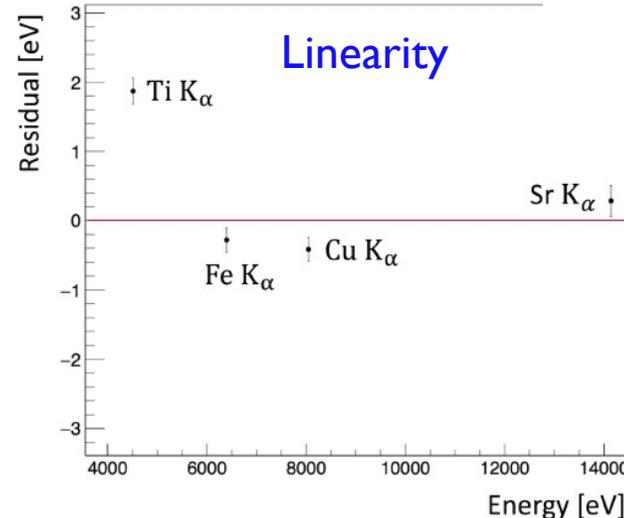
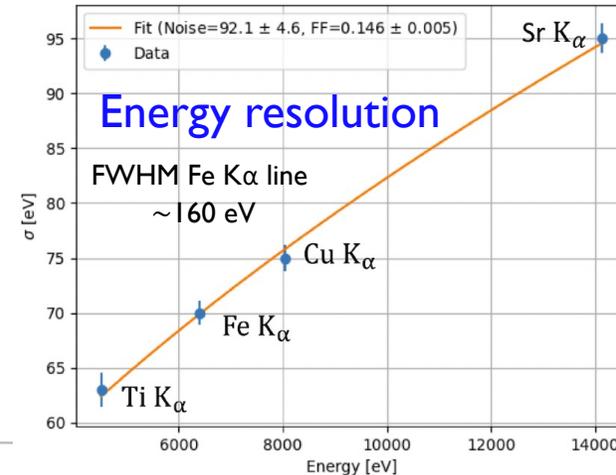


Silicon Drift Detectors

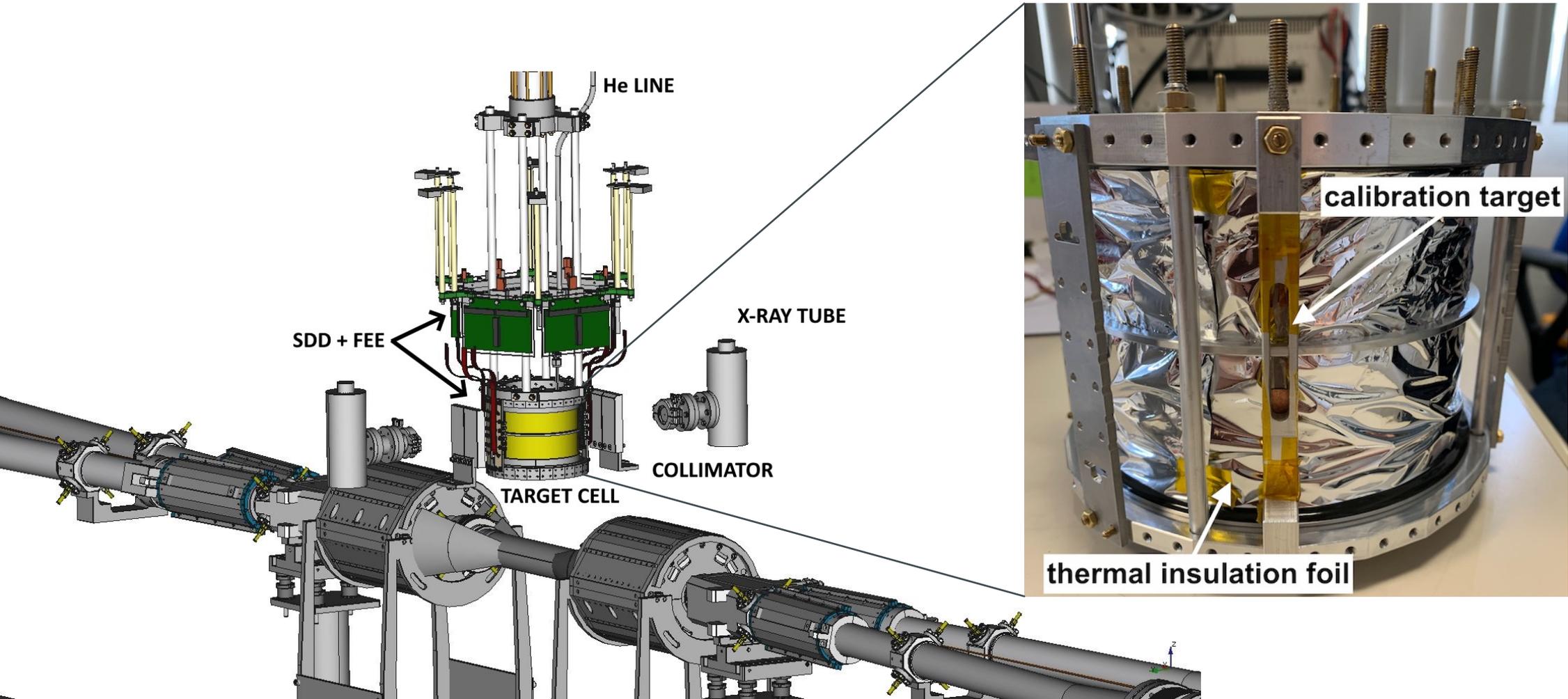
Large area Silicon Drift Detectors (SDDs) have been developed to perform high precision kaonic atoms X-ray spectroscopy



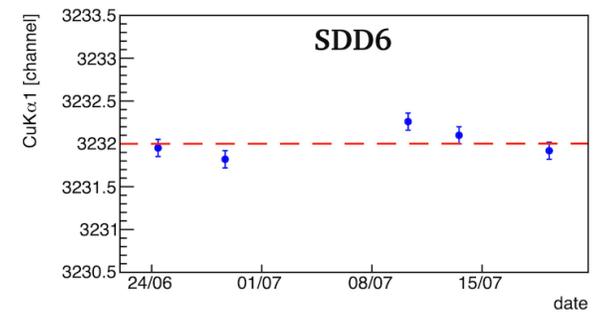
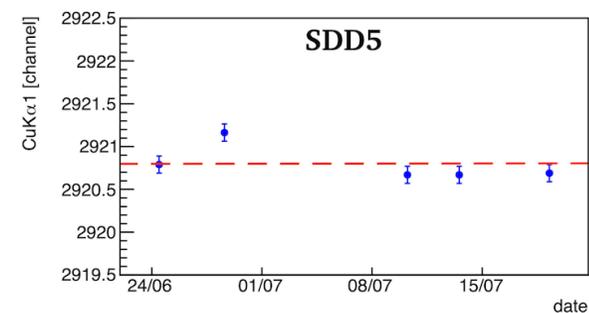
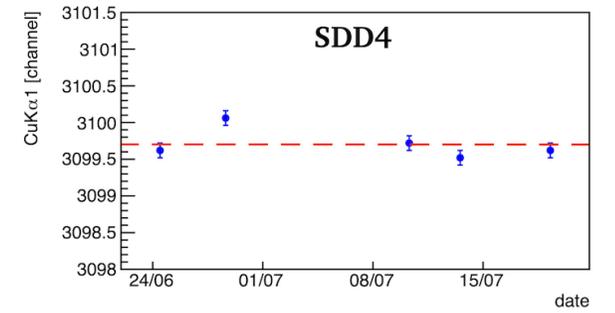
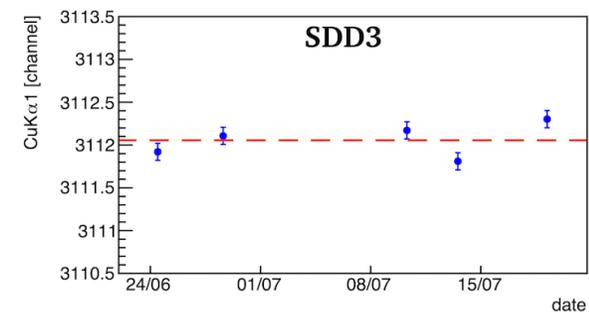
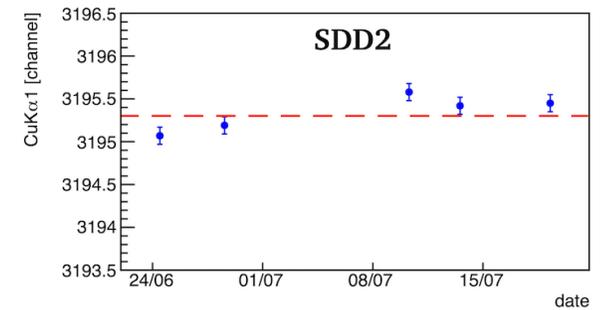
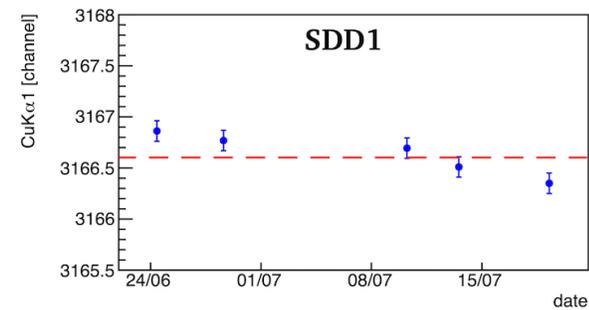
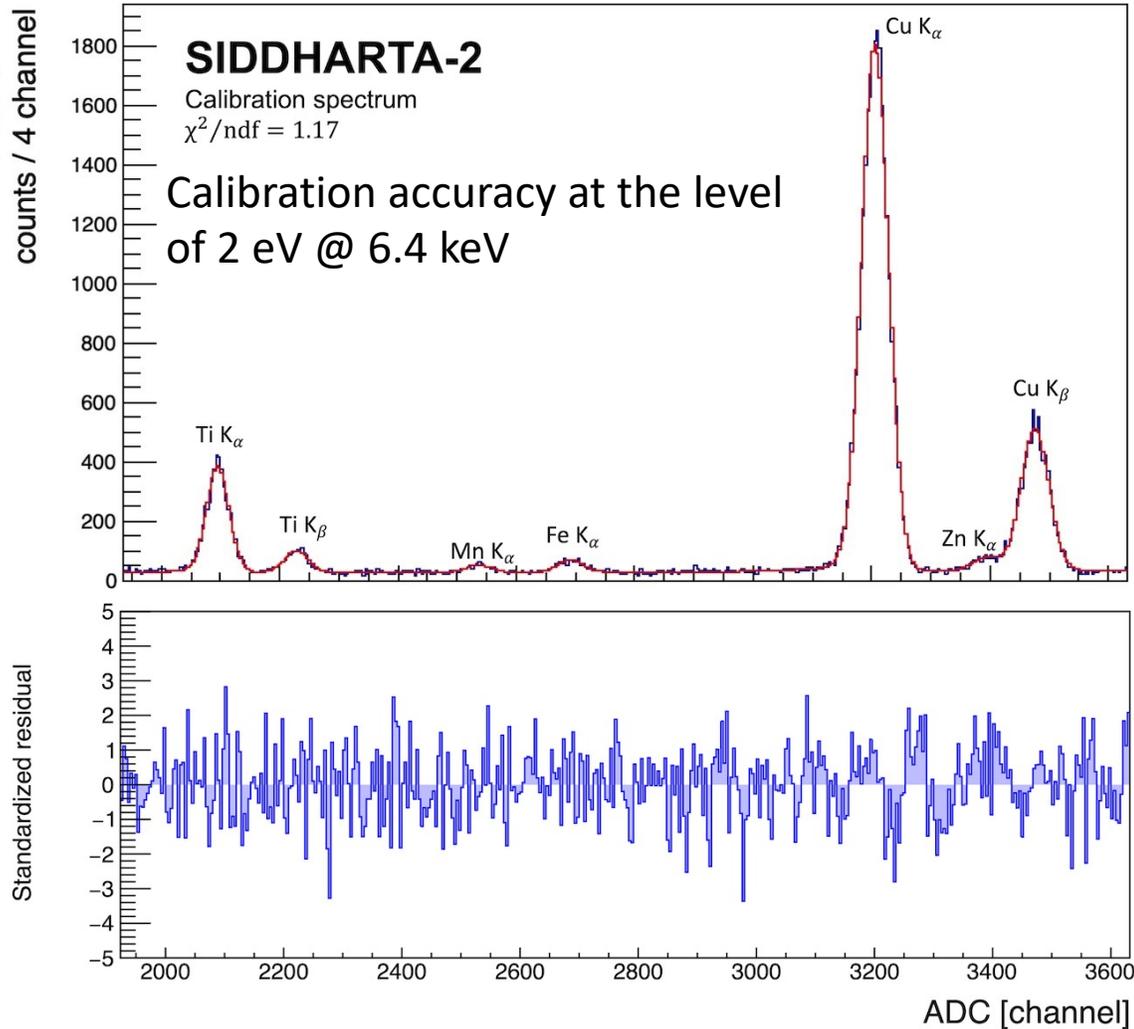
**8 SDD units (0.64 cm^2)
for a total active area of 5.12 cm^2
Thickness of $450 \mu\text{m}$ ensures a high
collection efficiency for X-rays of energy
between 5 keV and 12 keV**



SDDs Calibration Procedure in DAΦNE



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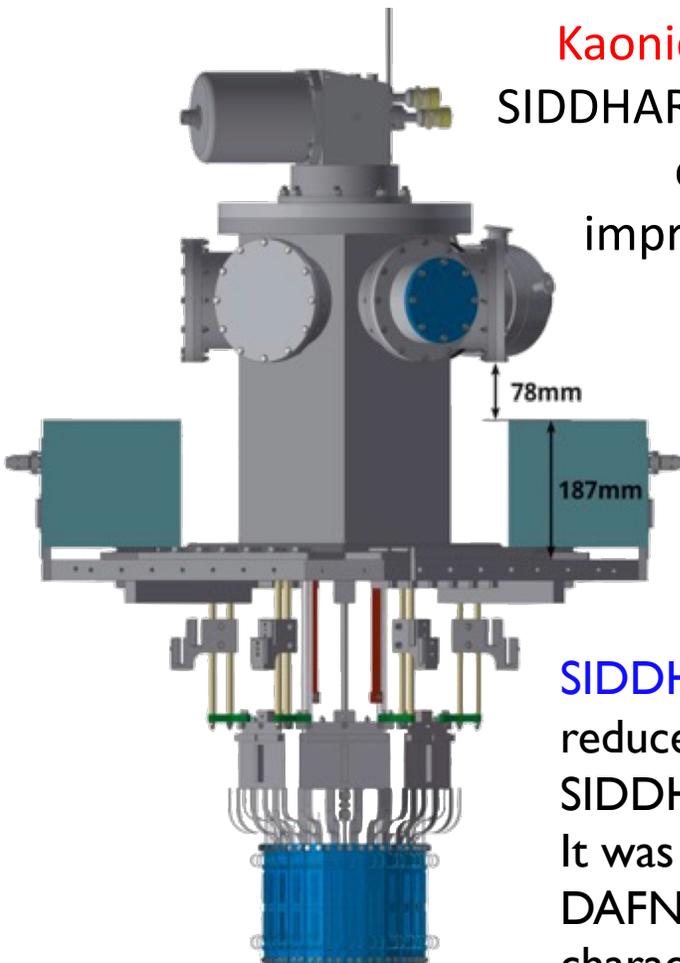


SIDDHARTINO - The kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$ $3d \rightarrow 2p$ measurement

Characterization of the SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus and optimization of DAΦNE background through the kaonic helium measurement

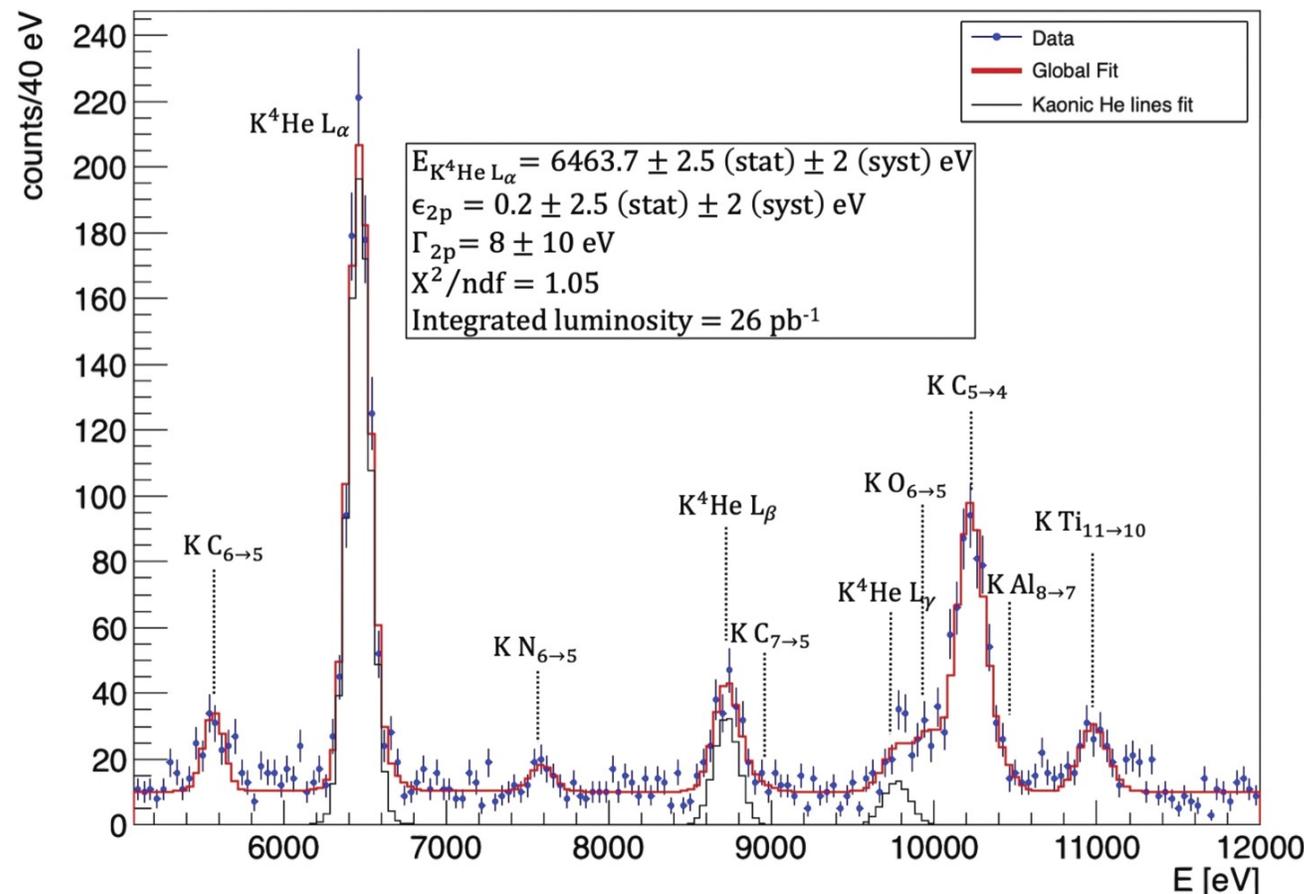
Kaonic Helium puzzle:

SIDDHARTA and KEK results confirmed, improving accuracy

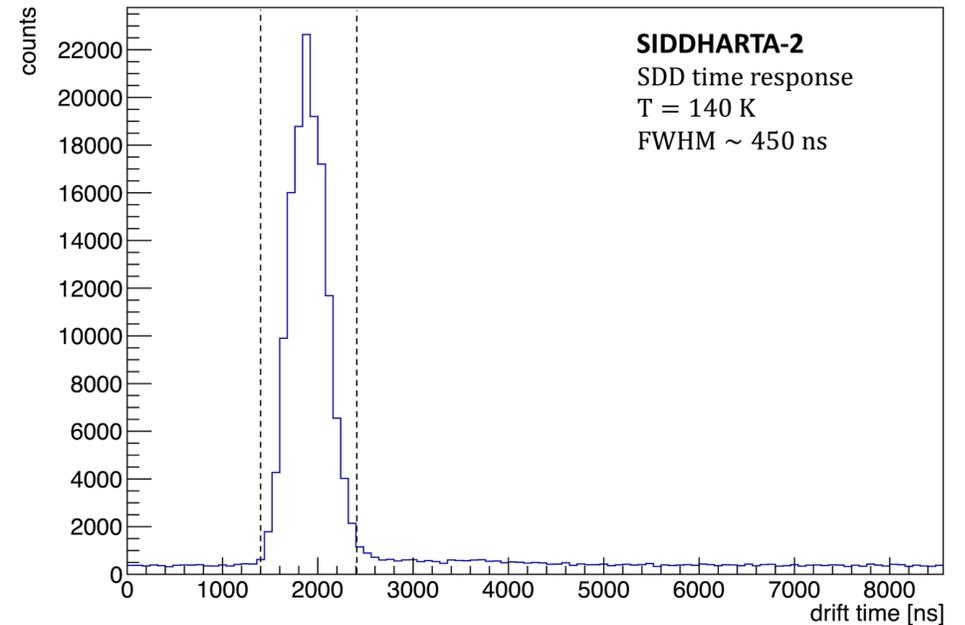
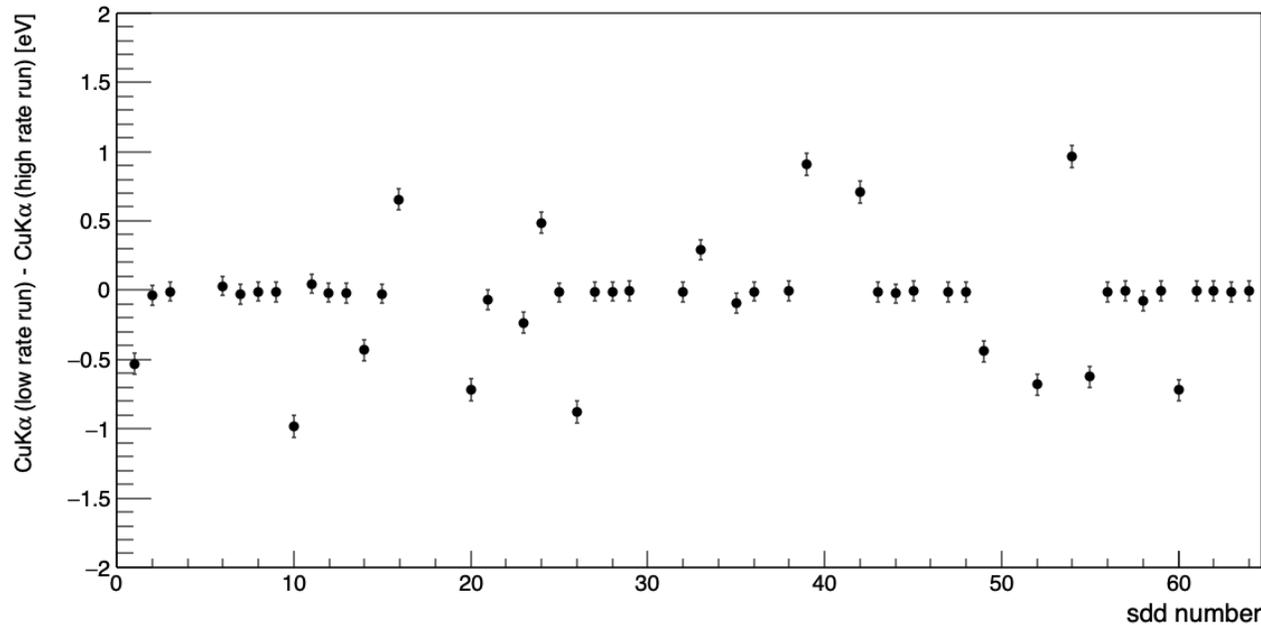
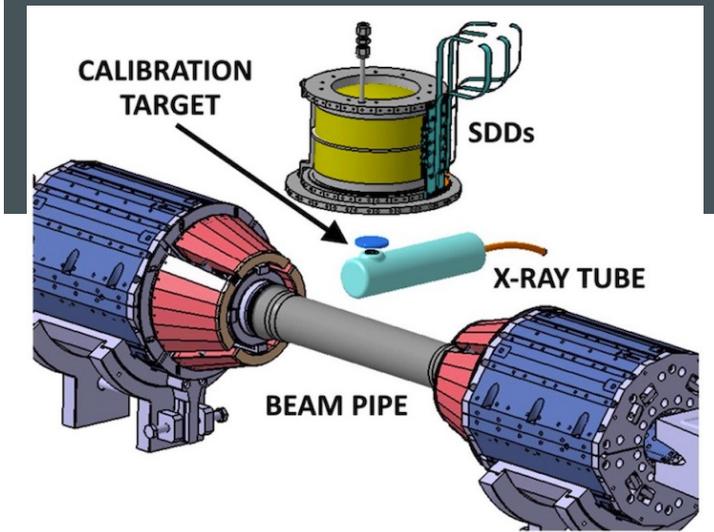
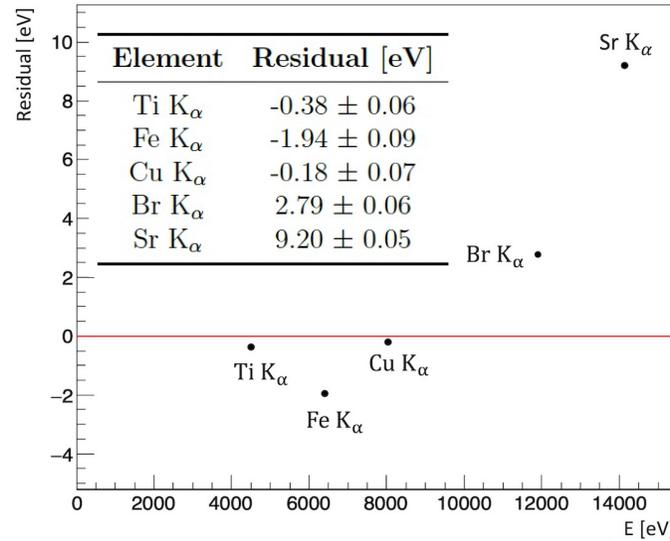
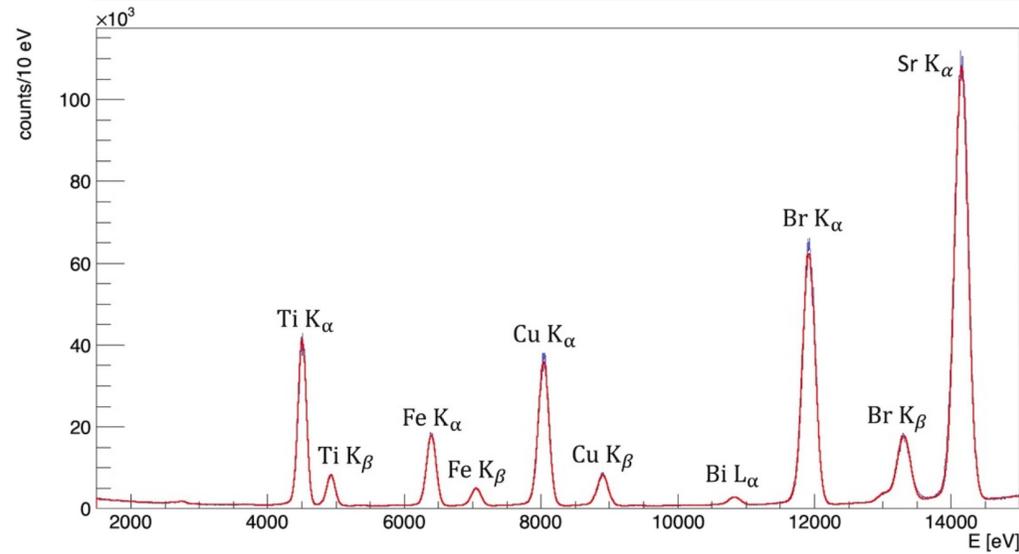


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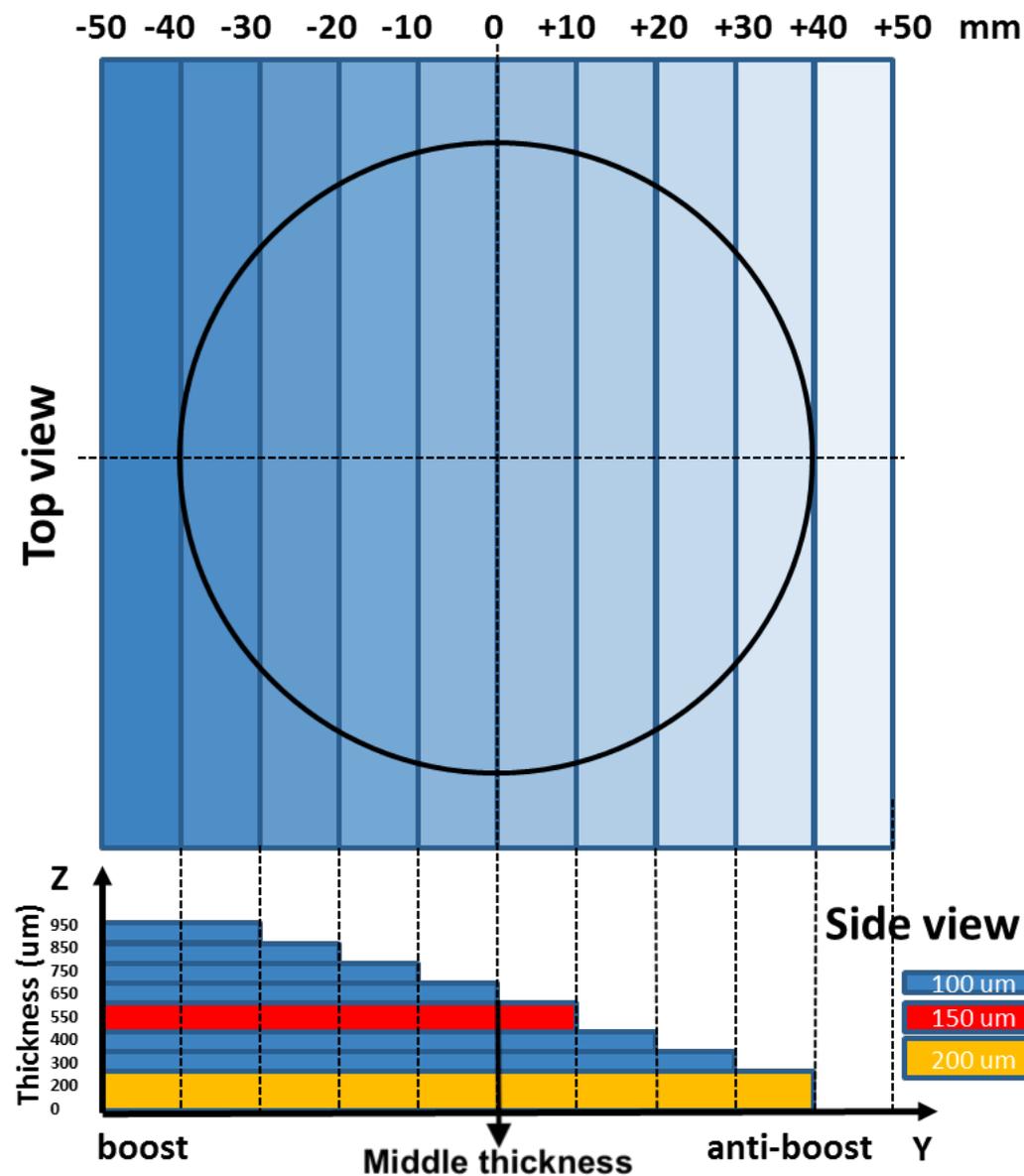
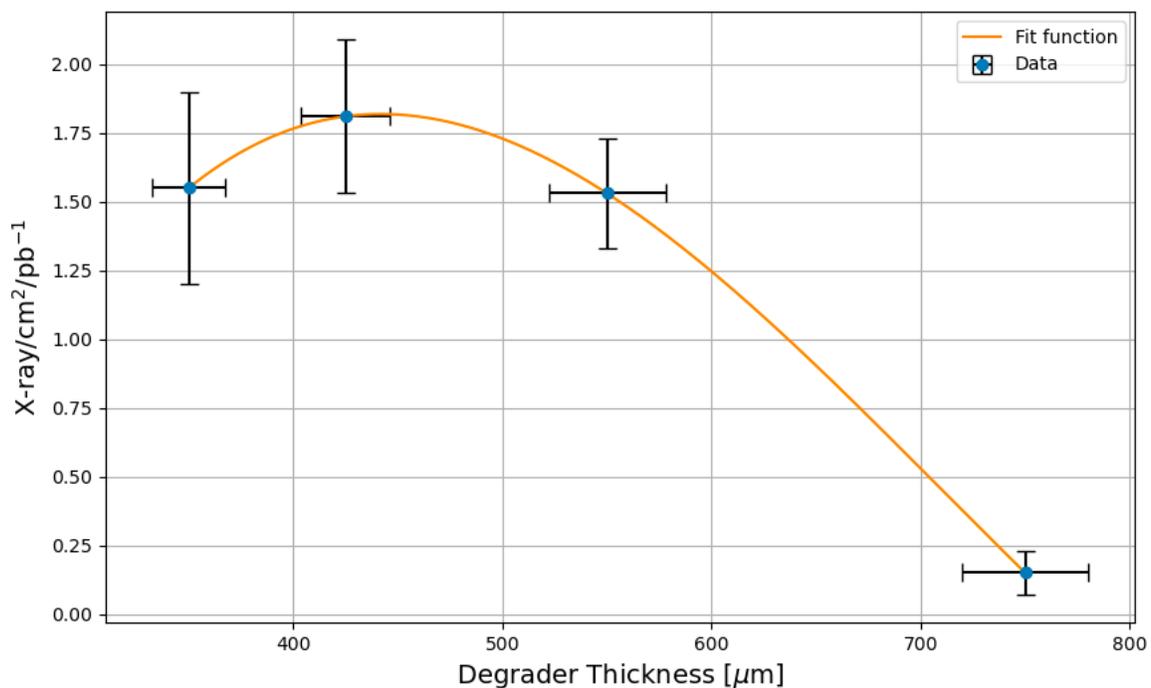
reduced version of the SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus
It was used to optimize the DAFNE background and characterize the SDDs



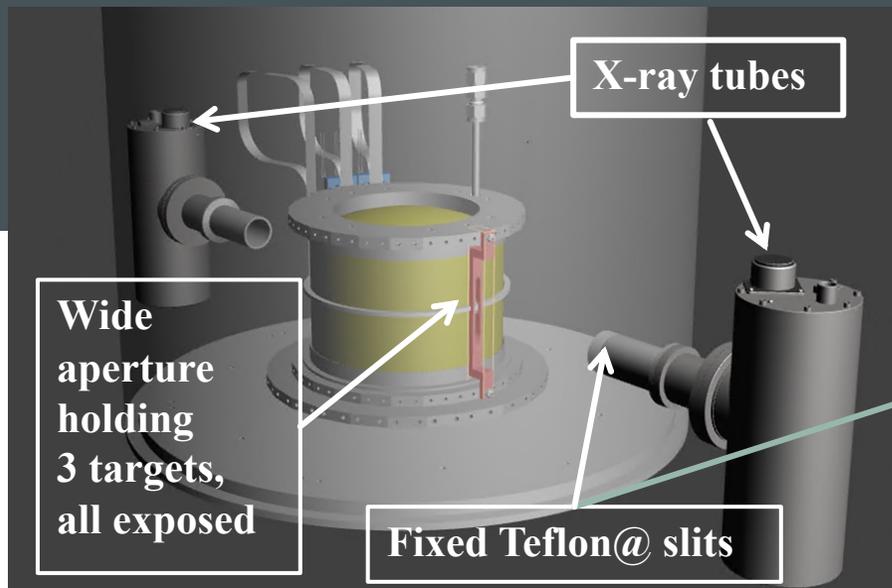
Spectroscopy Response in a High Background Environment



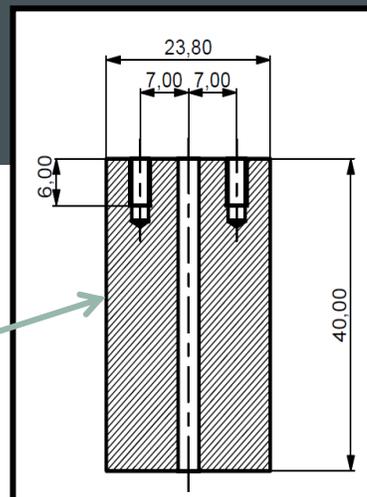
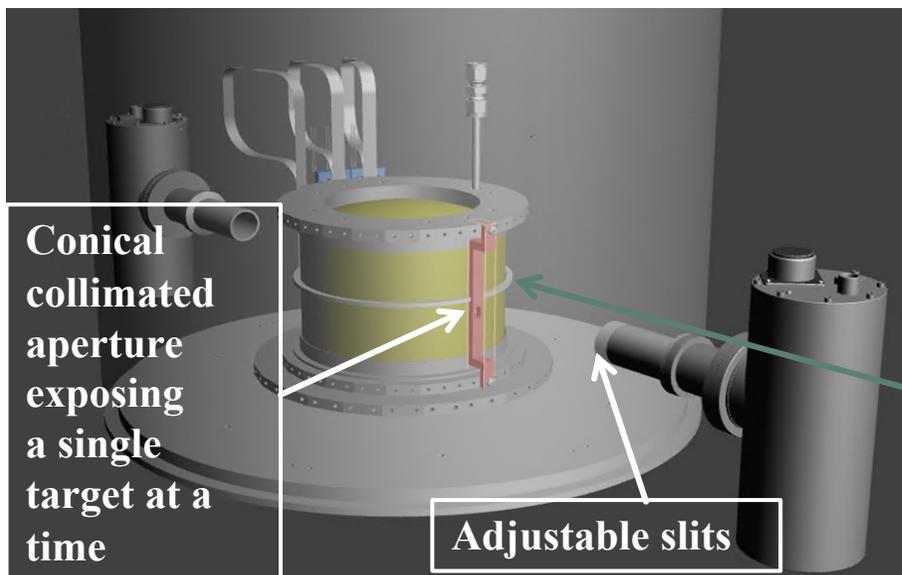
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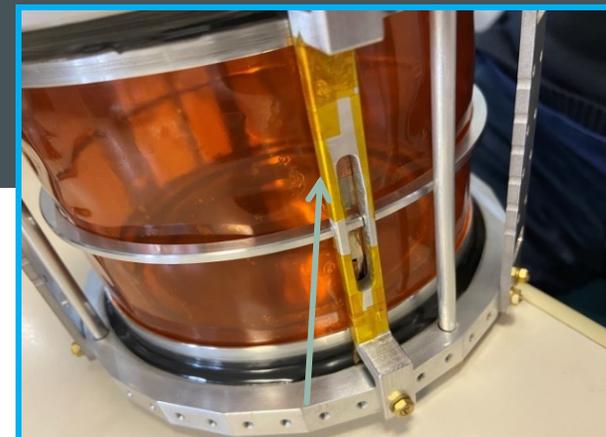
Refined calibration system : movable fluorescent foils



Upgraded calibration system



Current calibration system



Ti, Cu, Zr calibration foils holder

