



Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare  
LABORATORI NAZIONALI DEL GRAN SASSO



# Attività LNGS

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# LNGS

## GRUPPO:

Ricercatori: 10 (6.6 FTE)

Tecnologi: 7 (2 FTE)

- + 1 AdR INFN stranieri (in servizio da Settembre 2024)
- + 1 selezione per RTT in corso
- + 1 PhD student

## Attività L200:

- Screening dei materiali
- Analysis tasks
  - Quality cuts
  - Online monitoring sw development
  - Pulse Shape Discrimination
- Roles:
  - Co-chairing SB

## Attività L1000:

- Water Tank → L3 (C.Vignoli), budget O(1000)k€
- Ancillary equipment → L3 (C. Vignoli), budget O(800)k€
- Installation and Commissioning → L3 + Manager  
Installation and  
Commissioning  
(C. Vignoli)
- HV of Ge detectors
- Outer LAr veto → L3 (N. Di Marco), budget O(2800)k€
- Analysis, simulation, BSM search
- Screening dei materiali

# Water tank

- Gara e realizzazione nel 2025
- Installazione a Gennaio 2026

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**INFN**

**ESPERIMENTO "LEGEND 1000"**

**SERBATOIO IN ACCIAIO INOX AISI 304L**

**DN 12000 mm – Hfasc.=9000 mm – Capacità nom. 1078 m<sup>3</sup>**

**CIG: B1055F510A**

**PROGETTO DI FATTIBILITA' TECNICO-ECONOMICA**

**QUADRO ECONOMICO**  
**(art. 5 dell'Allegato I.7 del D.lgs. 36/2023)**

**UBICAZIONE:** LABORATORI SOTTERRANEI DEL GRAN SASSO DEI LNGS

**COMMITTENTE:** LABORATORI NAZIONALI DEL GRAN SASSO - (L'AQUILA)

**IMPRESA:** D'Angelo Pierluigi  
Ordine degli Ingegneri della Provincia di Chieti  
Ingegnere  
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**COMMESSA N.:** 24047

**DISEGNO N.:** DWG-24047 rev. 0

**DOCUMENTO N.:** QE-24047

**REV** **DATA** **EMESSO** **VALIDATO** **VERIFICATO**

REV	DATA	EMESSO	VALIDATO	VERIFICATO
01	05/07/2024	Ing. PIERLUIGI D'ANGELO	Ing. UMBERTO DI SABATINO	

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**QUADRO ECONOMICO (art. 5 dell'Allegato I.7 del D.lgs. 36/2023)**  
Lavori per la realizzazione, all'interno della sala C dei laboratori sotterranei, di un serbatoio in acciaio INOX AISI304L per acqua demineralizzata - LEGEND1000

IMPORTI DA P.F.T.E.		
	A. IMPORTO A BASE DI GARA	%
A.1	Importo dei lavori a corpo A1.1 di cui oneri per la manodopera	€ 641.435,56 17,82% Totale importo lavori
A.2	Oneri per la sicurezza non soggetti a ribasso	€ 63.375,71 Totale importo dei lavori (A.1 + A2)
		€ 704.811,27 Totale importo soggetto a ribasso
		€ 641.435,56
A. SOMME A BASE D'APPALTO		
B. SOMME A DISPOSIZIONE DELL'AMMINISTRAZIONE		
B.1	Spese tecniche B.1.1 Spese tecniche (incarichi esterni) per PFTE/Progetto Esecutivo e Coordinamento della Sicurezza in fase di Progettazione - comprensivo di CNPAIA (4%) B.1.2 Spese tecniche (incarichi esterni) per Coordinamento della Sicurezza in fase di Esecuzione - comprensivo di CNPAIA (4%) B.1.3 Spese tecniche (incarichi esterni) per Collaudo Statico - comprensivo di CNPAIA (4%) B.1.4 Incentivo per le funzioni tecniche svolte dai dipendenti pubblici per le attività di programmazione della spesa per investimenti, per la verifica preventiva dei progetti di predisposizione e di controllo delle procedure di bando e di esecuzione dei contratti pubblici, di responsabile unico del procedimento, di direzione dei lavori, ecc. (art. 45 del D.lgs. n. 36/2023) = massimo il 2,00% dell'importo dei Lavori a base d'appalto	€ 20.800,00 (*) € 4.000,00 (*) € 4.500,00 2% € 14.096,23 Totale spese tecniche € 43.396,23
B.2	Altre somme a disposizione dell'Amministrazione B.2.1 Imprevisti e arrotondamenti (max 10% dell'importo lavori a base di gara) B.2.2 Spese per pubblicità e contributo ANAC B.2.3 Spese per prove di laboratorio, accertamenti e verifiche tecniche obbligatorie o specificamente previste nel capitolo speciale d'appalto (art. 116 comma 11 del D.lgs. 36/2023) B.2.4 Polizze rischi professionali per le funzioni tecniche svolte dai dipendenti dell'amministrazione (art. 2, comma 4 del D.lgs. 36/2023)	10% € 70.481,13 (*) € 3.500,00 (*) € 3.000,00 (*) € 2.500,00 Totale altre somme a disposizione € 79.481,13
B.3	I.V.A. B.3.1 I.V.A. su Lavori B.3.2 I.V.A. su sicurezza B.3.3 I.V.A. su Somme a disposizione dell'Amministrazione	22% € 141.115,82 22% € 13.942,66 22% € 23.931,85 Totale I.V.A. € 178.990,33 Totale somme a disposizione dell'Amministrazione € 301.867,68
		<b>TOTALE COSTO INTERVENTO (A+B)</b> € 1.006.678,96

**NOTA (\*):** gli importi (\*) sono stati inseriti forfettariamente ai soli fini della completezza formale del quadro economico e saranno definiti a modifica in sede di progetto esecutivo

Arielli (CH), li 05/07/2024 Il tecnico progettista: (Dr. Ing. Pierluigi D'Angelo)

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# Ge detector HV

## O(400) canali

Parameters	Specifications
Number of HV channels	$\geq 340\text{-}360$
HV output range	0 to $\geq 5$ kV
Maximum current output	$\geq 10 \mu\text{A}$
Voltage set precision	$\leq 1$ V
Voltage ripple	$\leq 10$ mV
Voltage monitor resolution	$\leq 0.1$ V
Current monitor resolution	$\leq 50$ pA
Minimum ramping speed	$\leq 5$ V/s

CAEN/ISEG vendors fulfill above requirements  
Minimization of intrinsic electronic noise needed

**Attività 2024-2025:** acquire and test a CAEN system --> chassis equipped with A1632HP and A1560HDPE boards and measure their electronic noise. Develop custom filter-box prototypes.

### Richieste:

- Sonda per oscilloscopio Teledyne LeCroy AP033
- Materiale di consumo vario per fare filter box e power supply nuovi per ridurre rumore



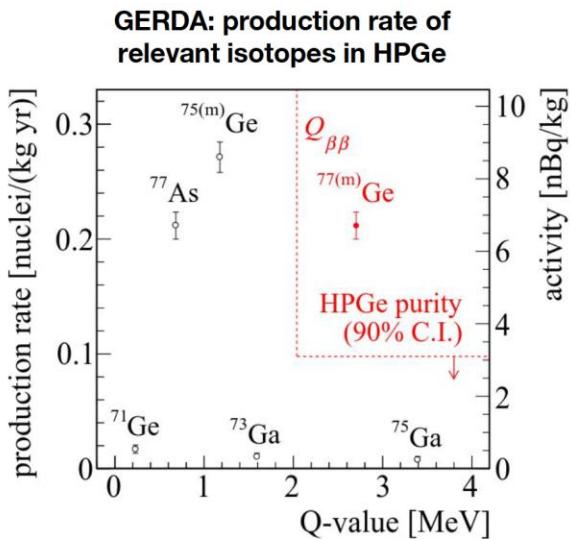
# Outer LAr veto

Muons can cause a hadronic shower in the cryostat with a high multiplicity of neutrons.

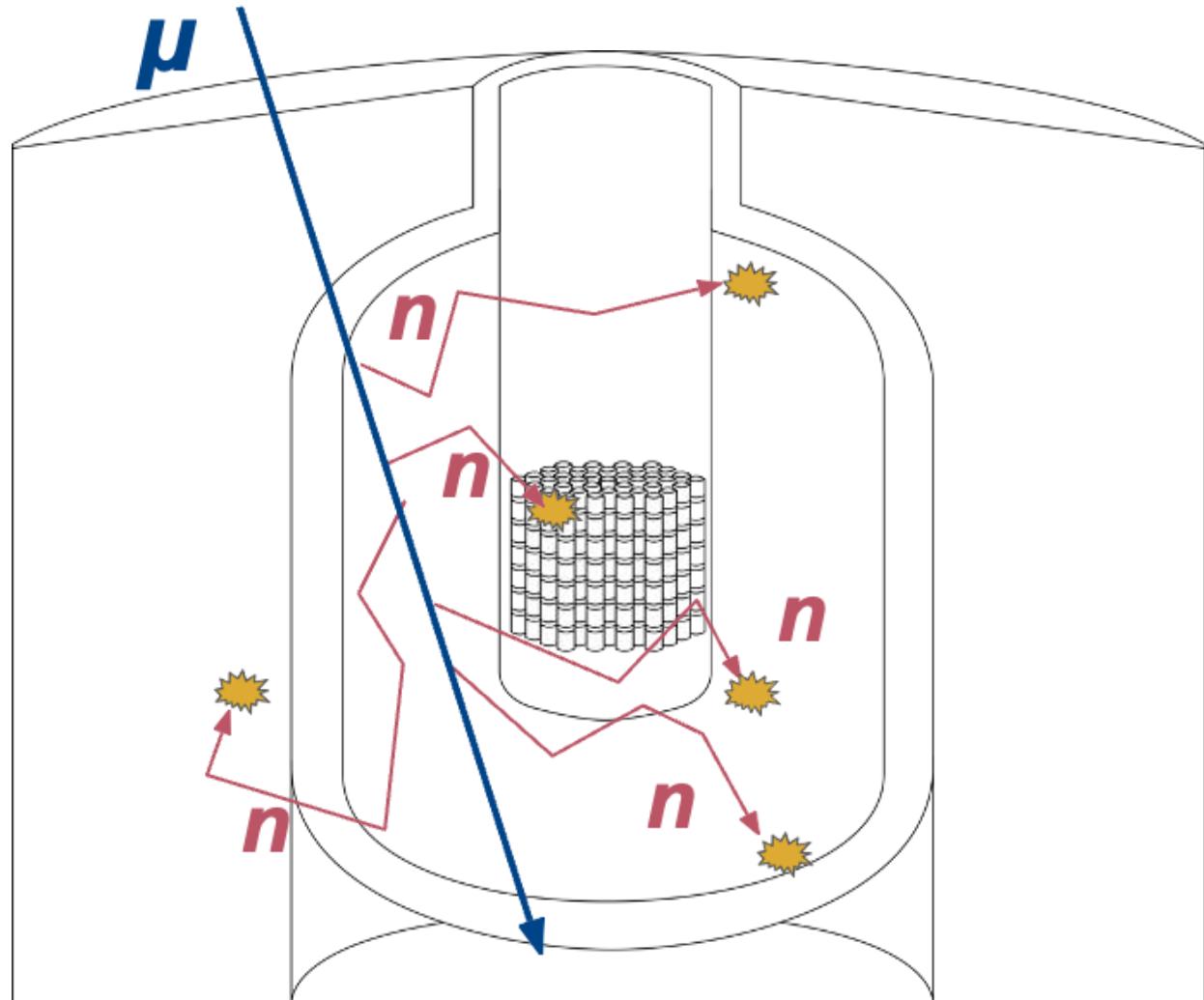
Neutrons can be captured in the HPGe and produce long-lived isotopes.

Such cosmogenic isotopes are relevant if  $Q_\beta > Q_{\beta\beta}$  and are produced frequently enough.

The only relevant one is  $^{77(m)}\text{Ge}$

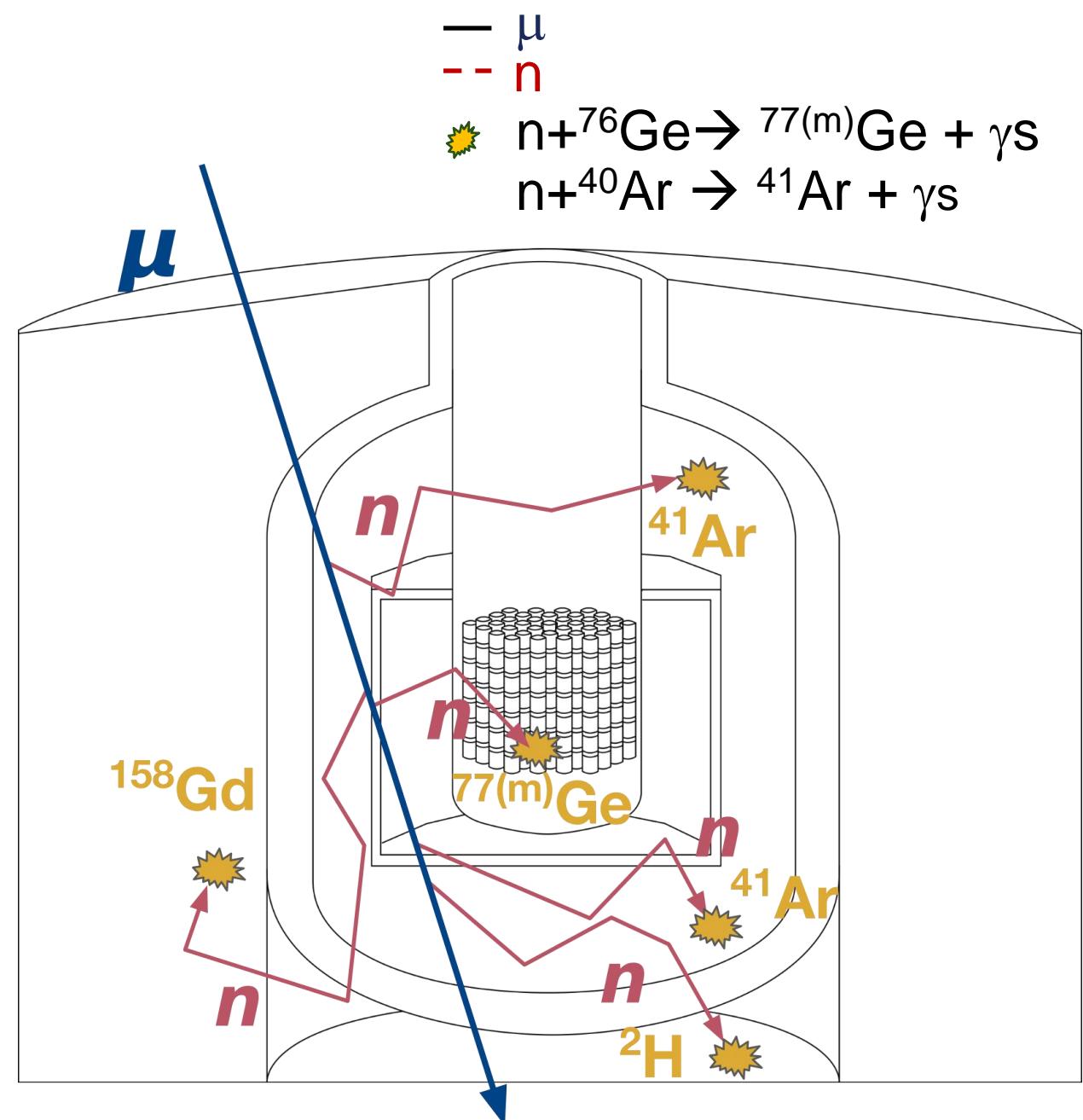


$$\sim 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ counts/(keVkgyr)}$$



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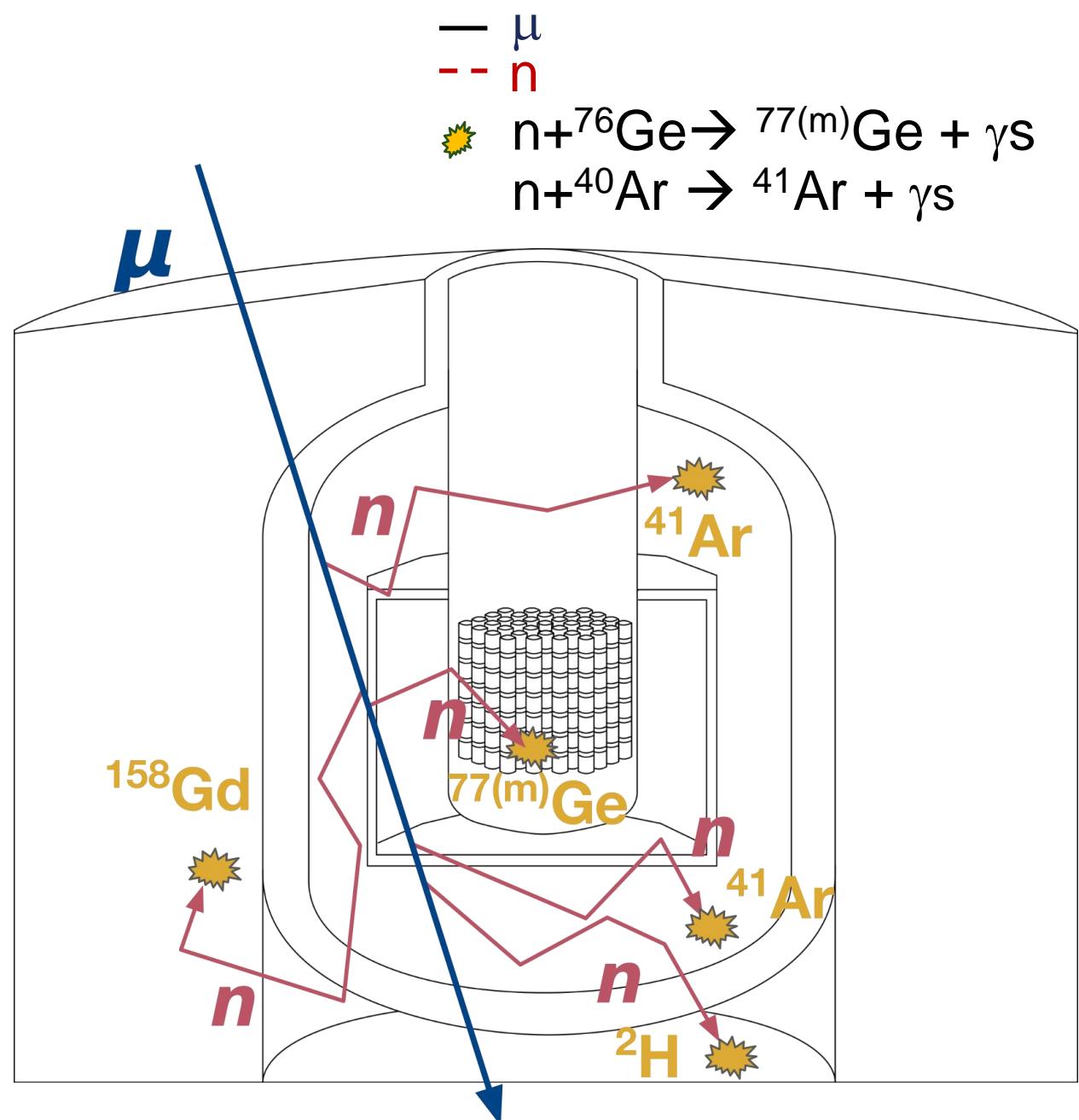


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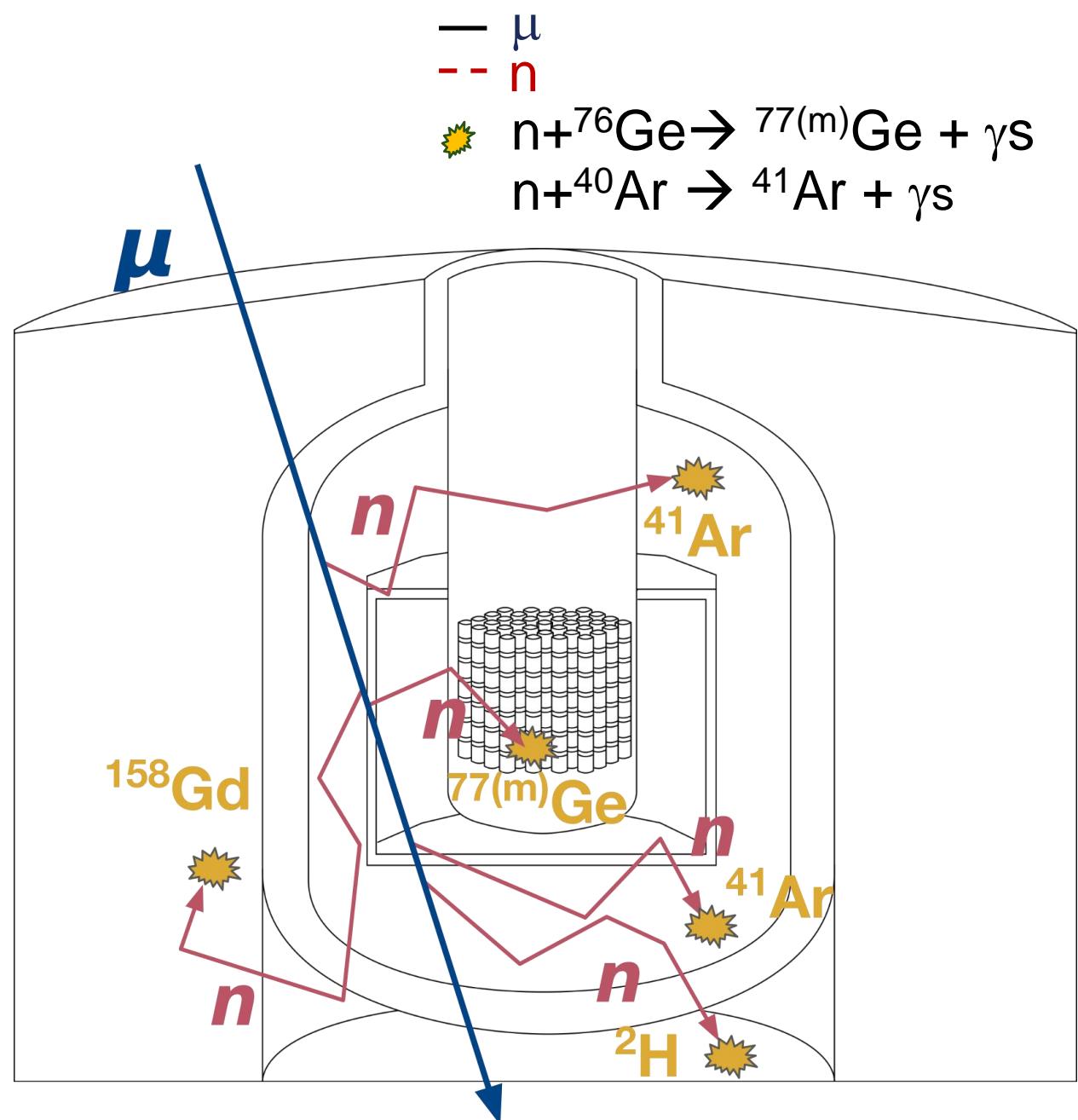


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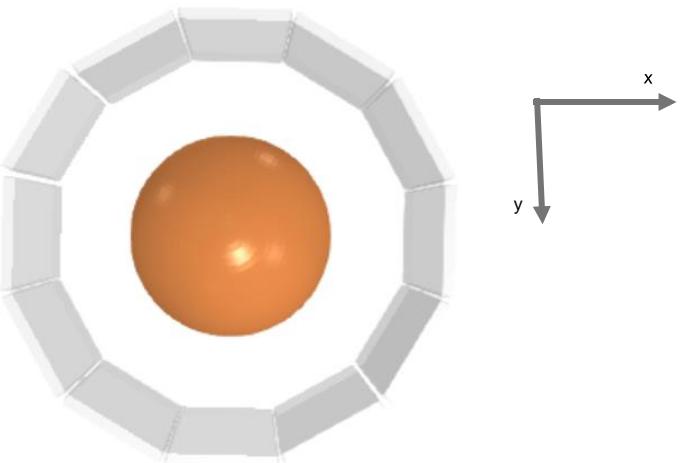
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2. The detection of such captures, through a dedicated ***LAr instrumentation***, introduces the possibility of applying and improving the ***delayed coincidence methods***.

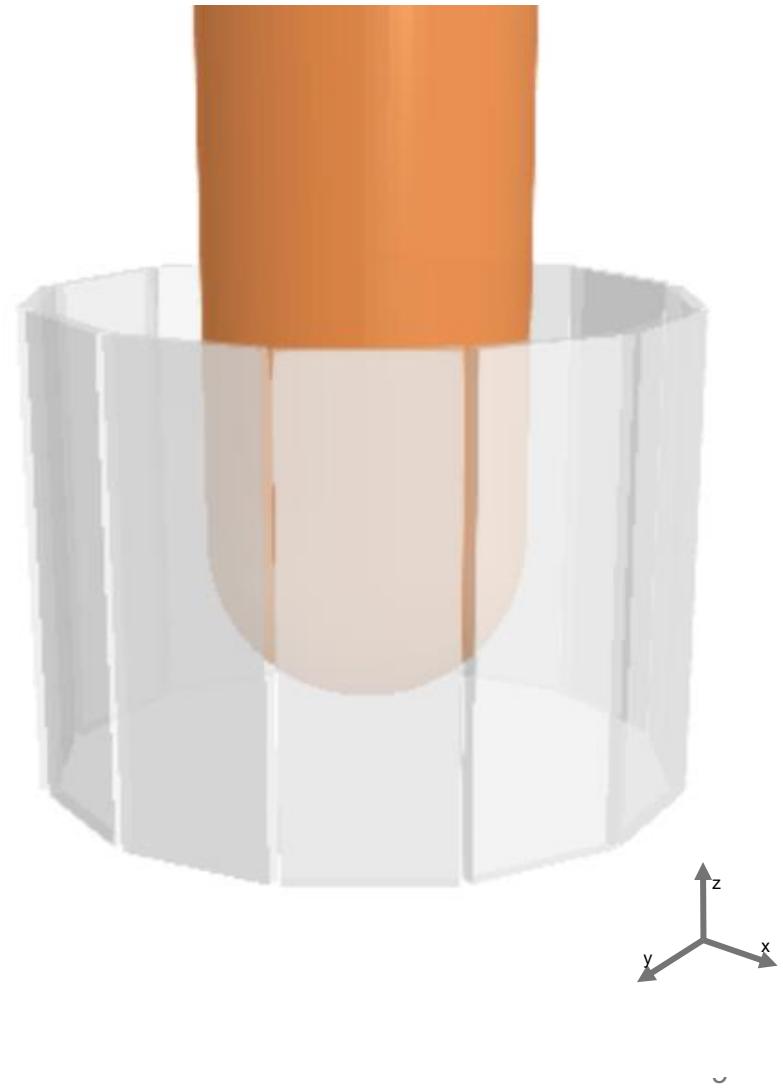


# Outer LAr veto – n moderator



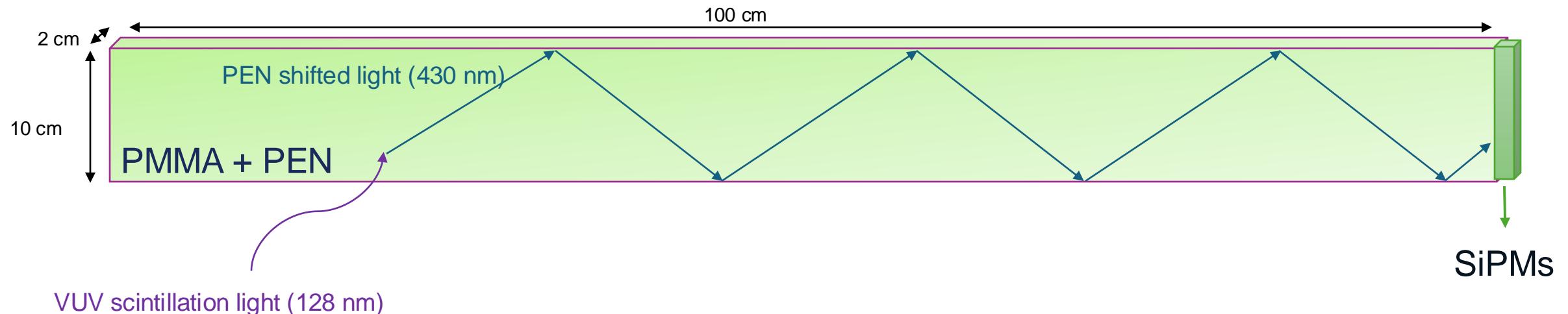
Polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA) ensures the best compromise between moderation performance and radiogenic background level.

- Dodecagonal prism sitting in the atmospheric LAr volume at 2 m from the center of the Ge strings
- 12 panels,  $300 \times 100 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3$  each
- Segmented top and bottom lids



# Outer LAr veto – LAr read-out

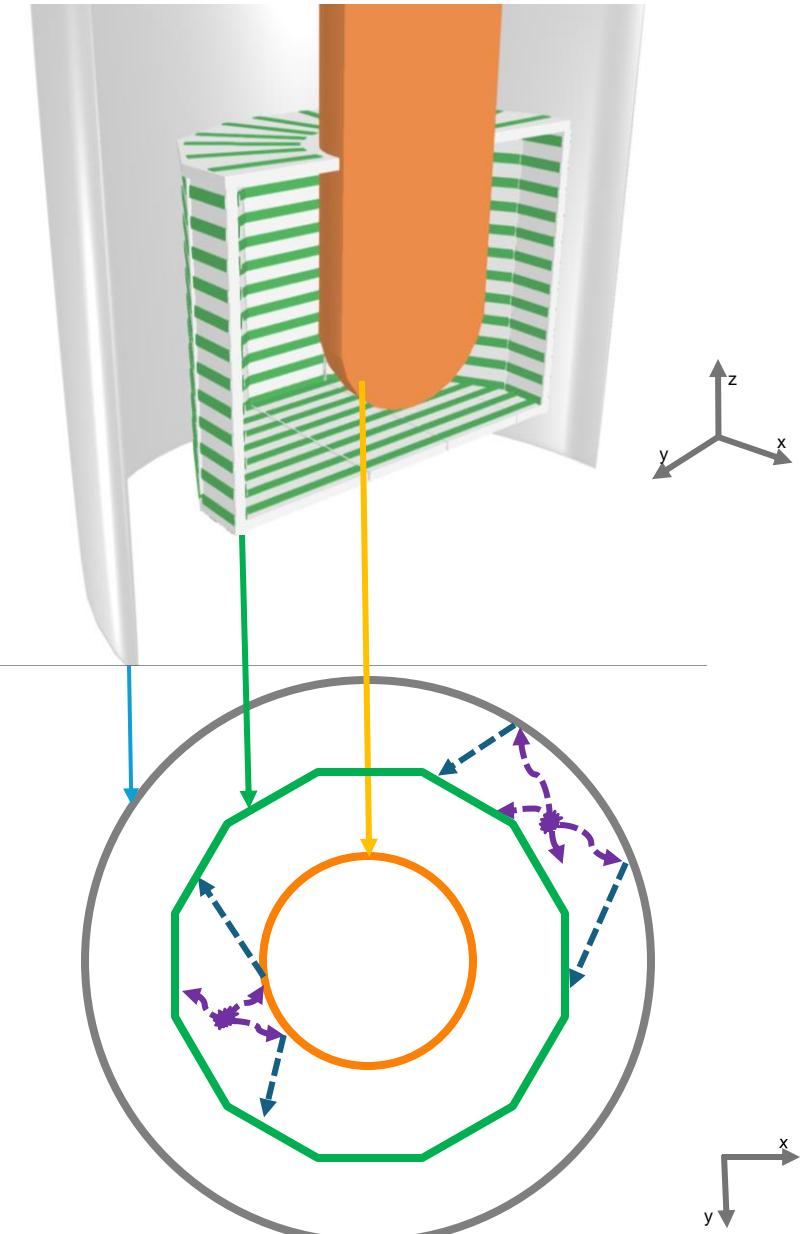
- Read-out instrumentation (reference design):
  - $100 \times 10 \times 2 \text{ cm}^3$  **light guides** made of PMMA and wrapped with a thin foil of PEN or TPB acting as a wavelength shifter for the 128 nm Ar light (or 175 nm of Xe-doped LAr).
  - The readout is performed at one (or both) end(s) of the guide with  $12, 6 \times 6 \text{ mm}^2$  **SiPMs**.



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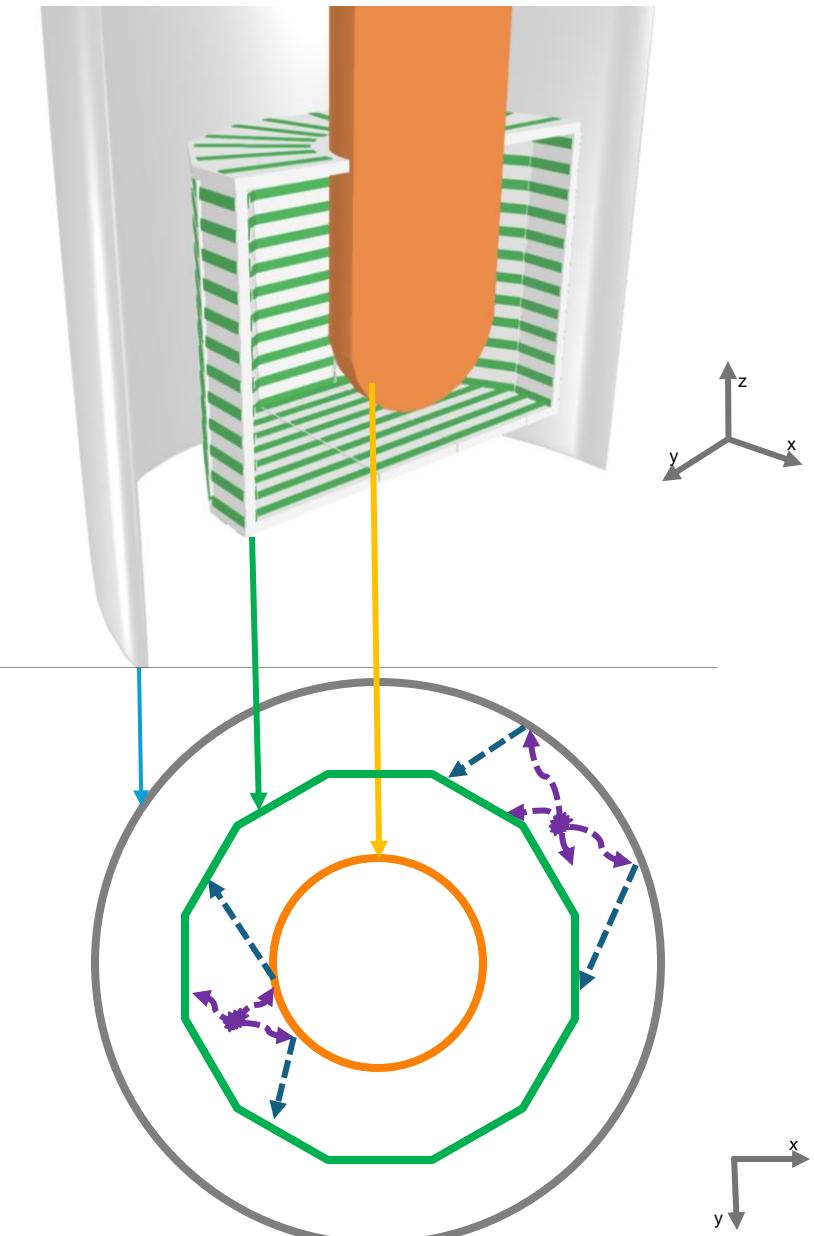
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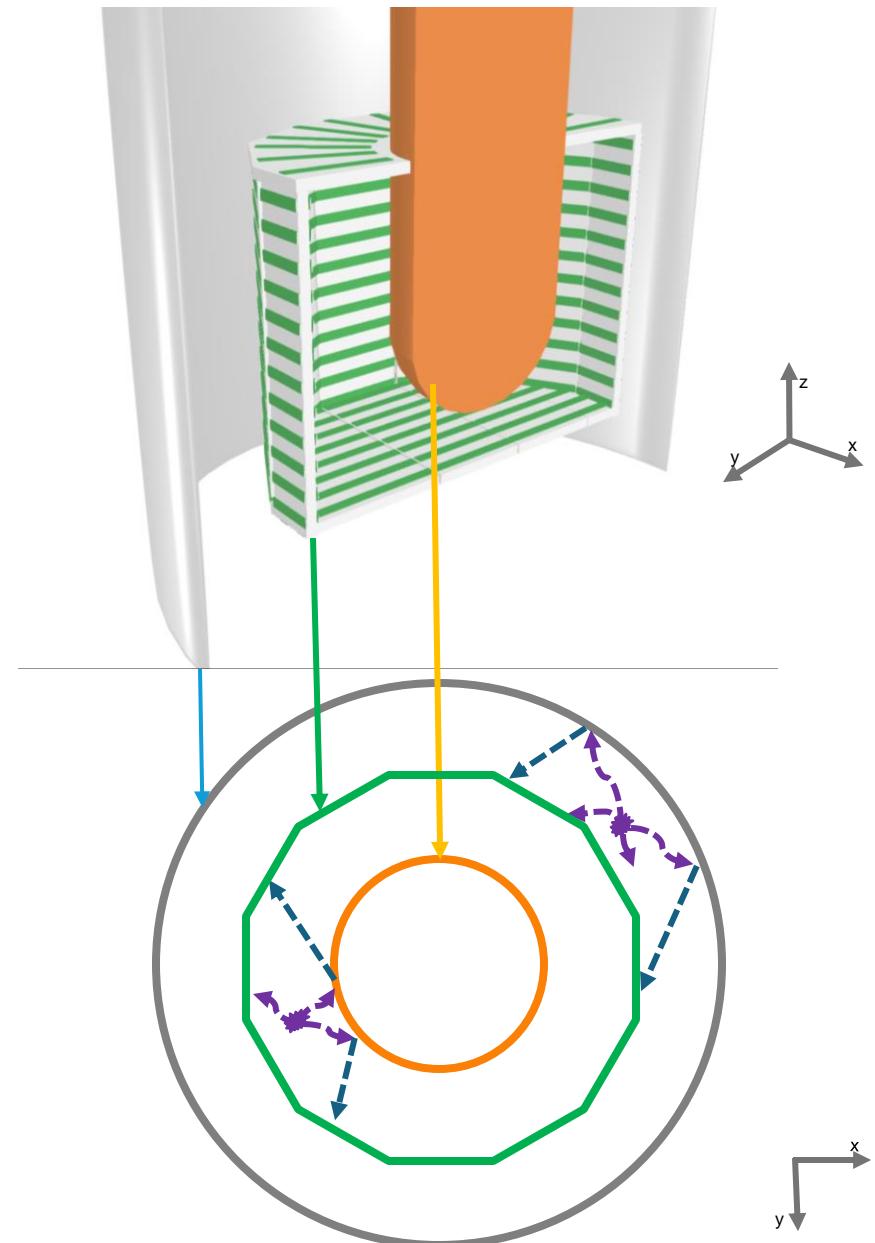
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- To assure a high light collection efficiency, the cryostat surfaces facing LAr, as well as the external reentrant tube wall, will be lined with a **wavelength-shifting reflective foil**.



# Outer LAr – Activities

## Neutron moderators:

- Screening **LNGS**
  - Tests (radon emanation, crioresilience, mechanics, mod. power) **PD + RM3 + LNGS**
  - Support structure **PD**
  - Production
  - Cleaning
  - Handling
  - Mounting
- PD + RM3 + LNGS**

## SiPM:

- Screening **LNGS**
- Design + Down-selection
- Quality test (characterization)

} **RM3 + PD + NA(?) + LNF(?) + MiB**

- Procurement
- Assembly **MiB**

## Cables:

**LNGS**

- Screening

- Cables **MiB**
- Feed-through **RM3**

## Test stands

- Design
- Construction
- Commissioning
- Tests

} - **LEGENDArYno** **PD + LNGS + MiB**  
- **LEGENDArY** **PD + RM3 + LNGS**

Reflector + WLS: under development@Zurich

Xe-doping system: under development@TUM

## Light Guides:

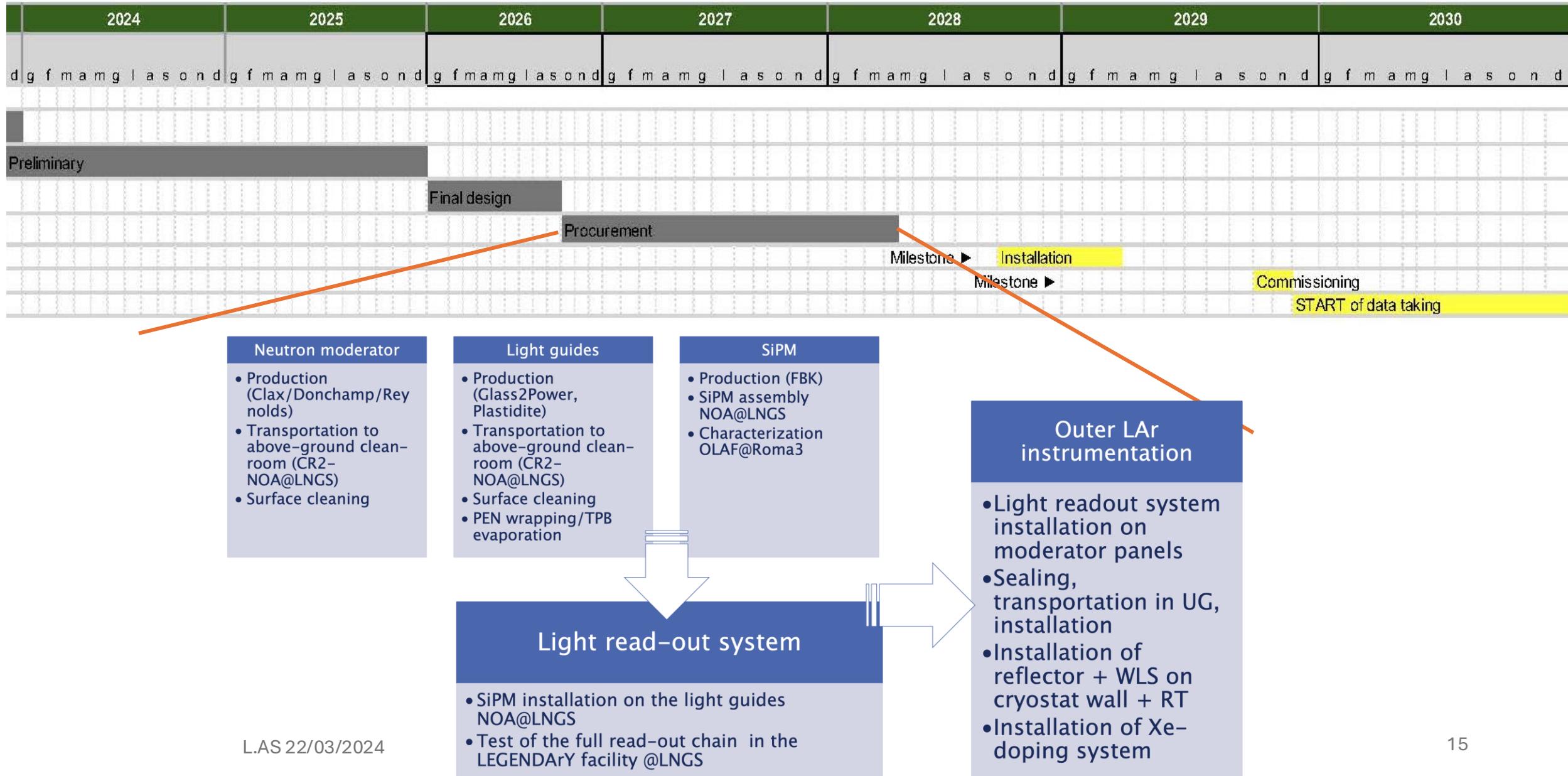
- Screening **LNGS**
- Simulation **PD + RM3 + LNGS + MiB**
- Test **PD + LNGS + MiB**
- Production **MiB**
- TPB evaporation /PEN lamination **NA/MiB + LNGS**

- Cleaning
  - Assembly
  - Quality test
  - Mounting
- PD + RM3 + LNGS + MiB**

**NA**

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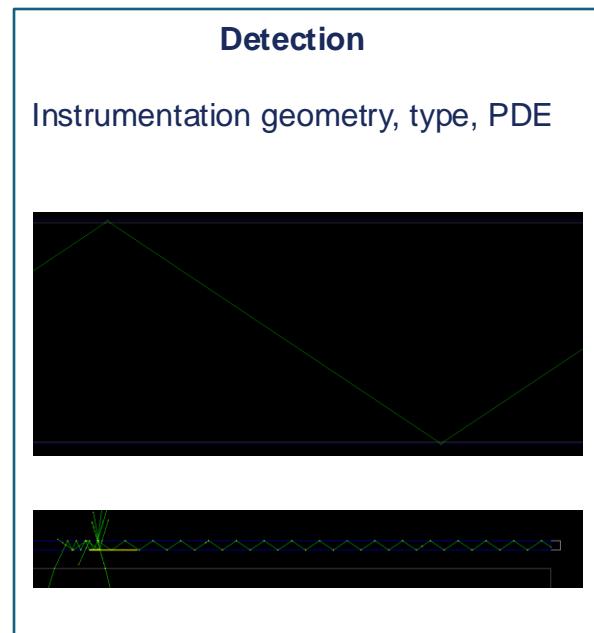
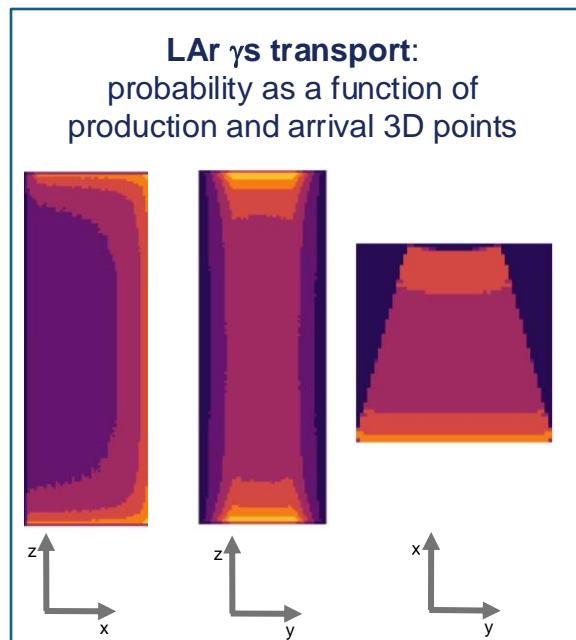
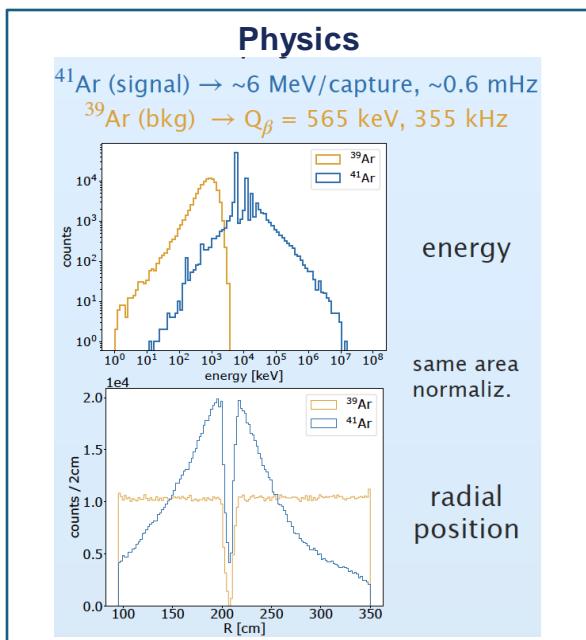
# Time plan (preliminary)



# Outer LAr Simulation

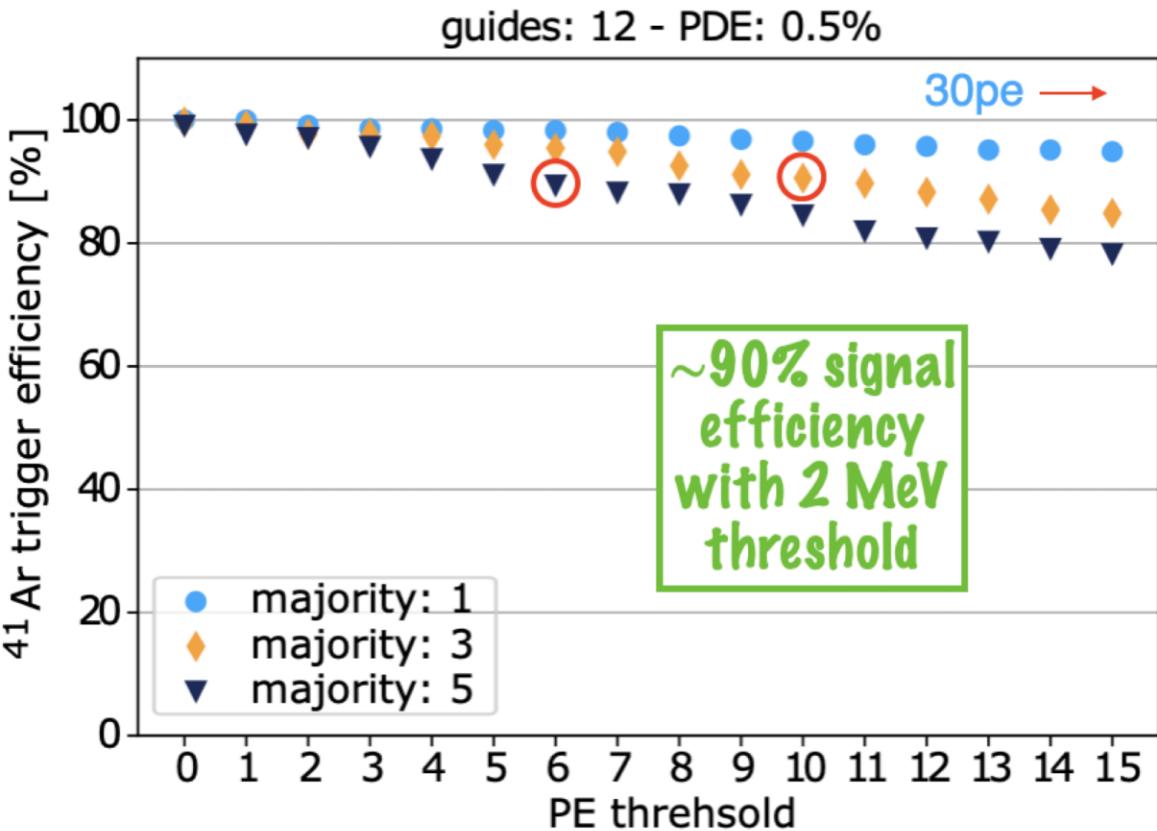
## 1. Simulation

- i.  $^{77}\text{Ge}$  production rate vs cryostat and moderator geometry (reevaluation on new design requirements)
- ii. Radiogenic bkg budget (reevaluation on new design requirements). Include radiogenics from instrumentation, reflectors + WLS, support structure etc...
- iii. Veto efficiency evaluation, trigger condition accounting for different bkg contribution ( $^{39}\text{Ar}$ ,  $^{42}\text{K}$ , Th/U)
- iv. Determination of the target photon detection efficiency of the instrumentation
- v. Compare reference vs alternative design



Simulation framework (almost) completed: modular sw to compare baseline vs alternative design, different instrumentation geometries and PDEs.

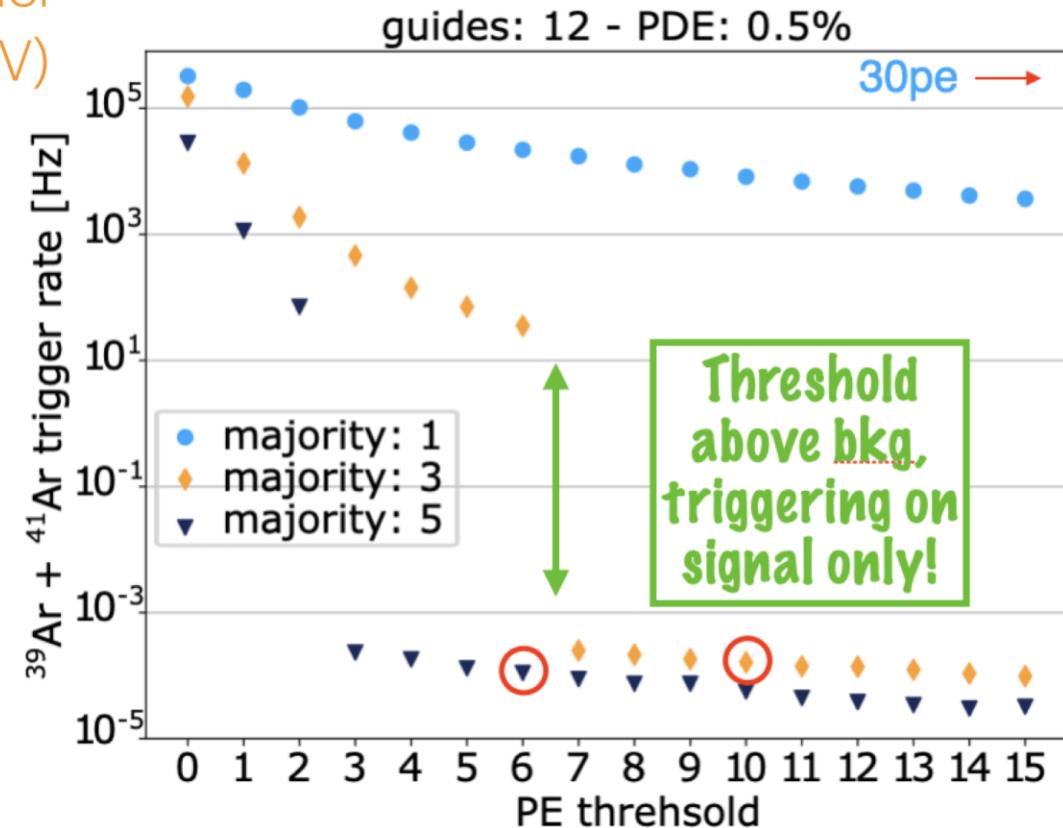
# Outer LAr veto -simulation



LY is now actually  
slightly higher  
(~20 PE/MeV)

Light Yield  
~15 PE/MeV

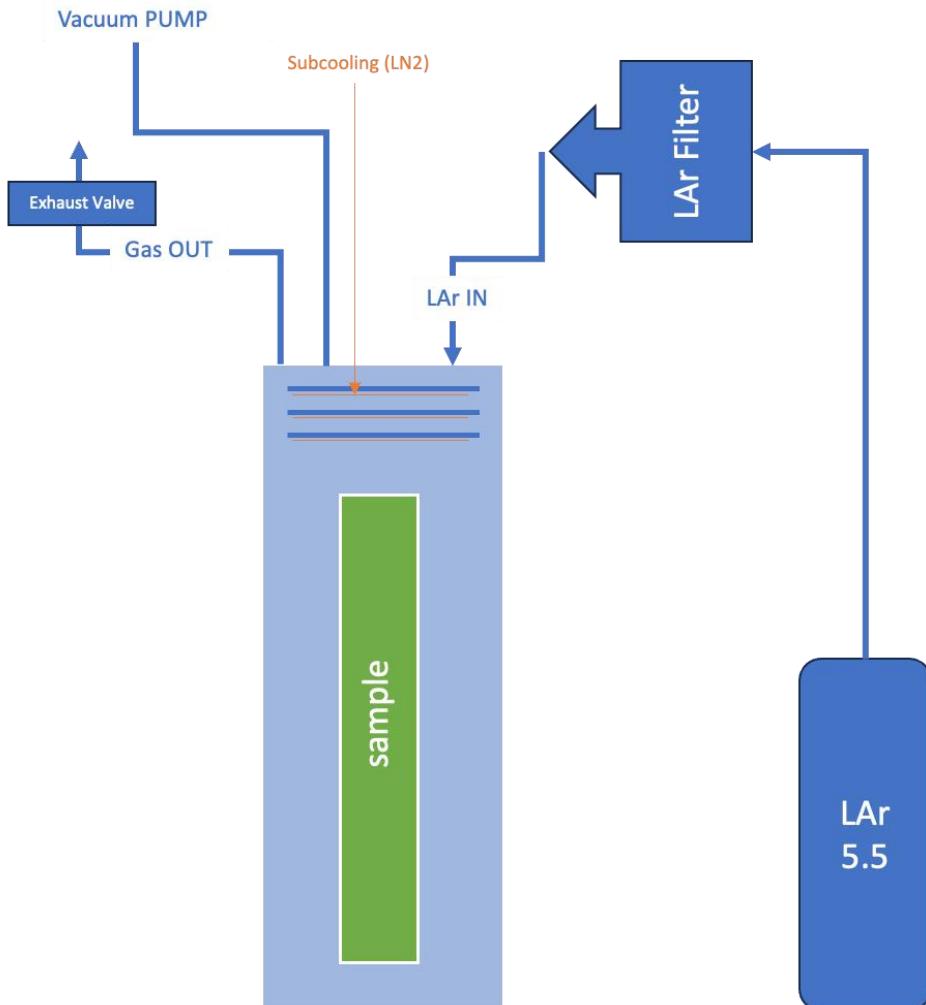
○ 2 MeV  
threshold



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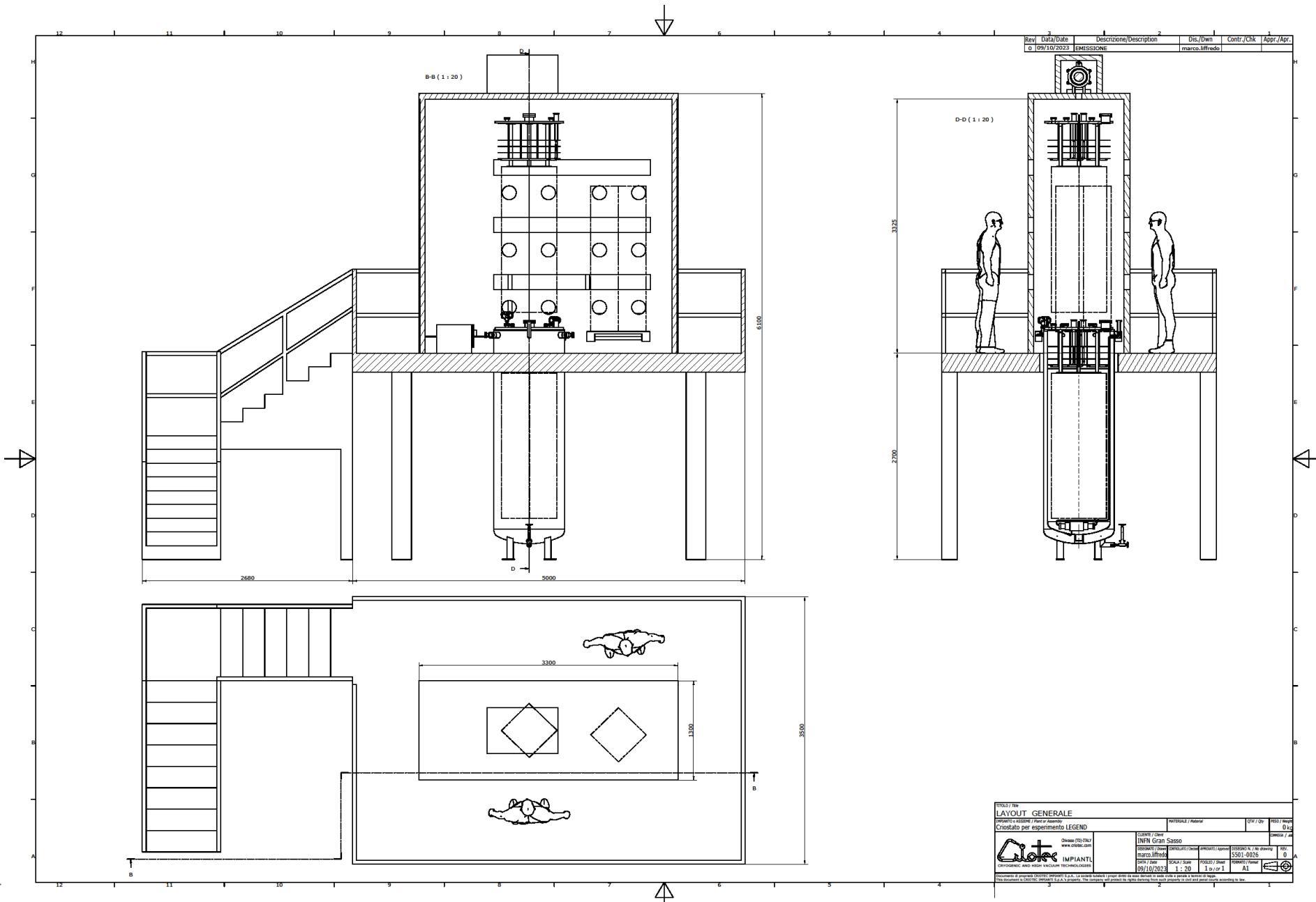
Richieste 2025

1. Crane sollevamento flangia
2. Pompa da vuoto (primaria + turbo)
3. Digitizer
4. Consumi LAr, GAr, LN2

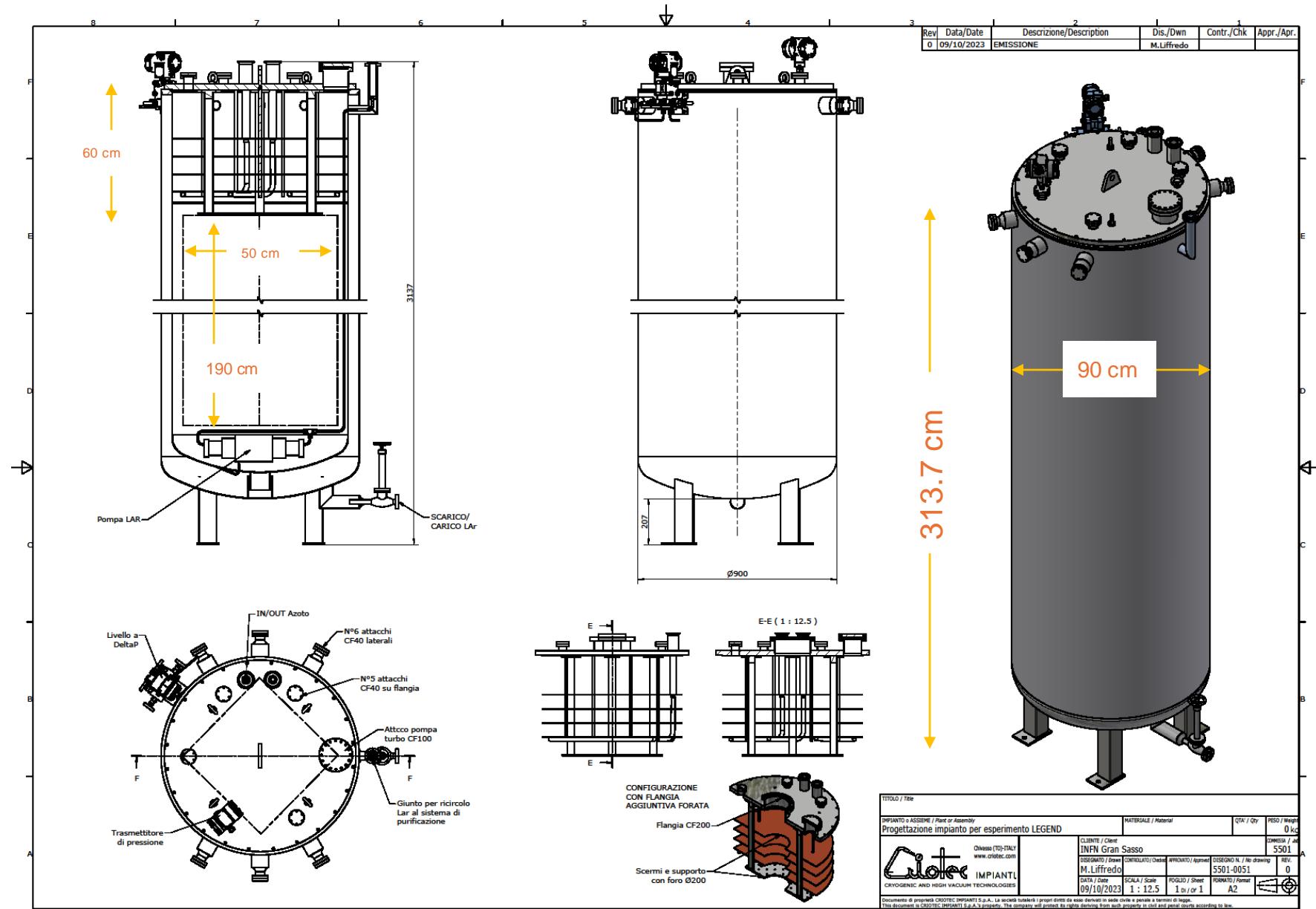


# LEGENDArY – mass test stand

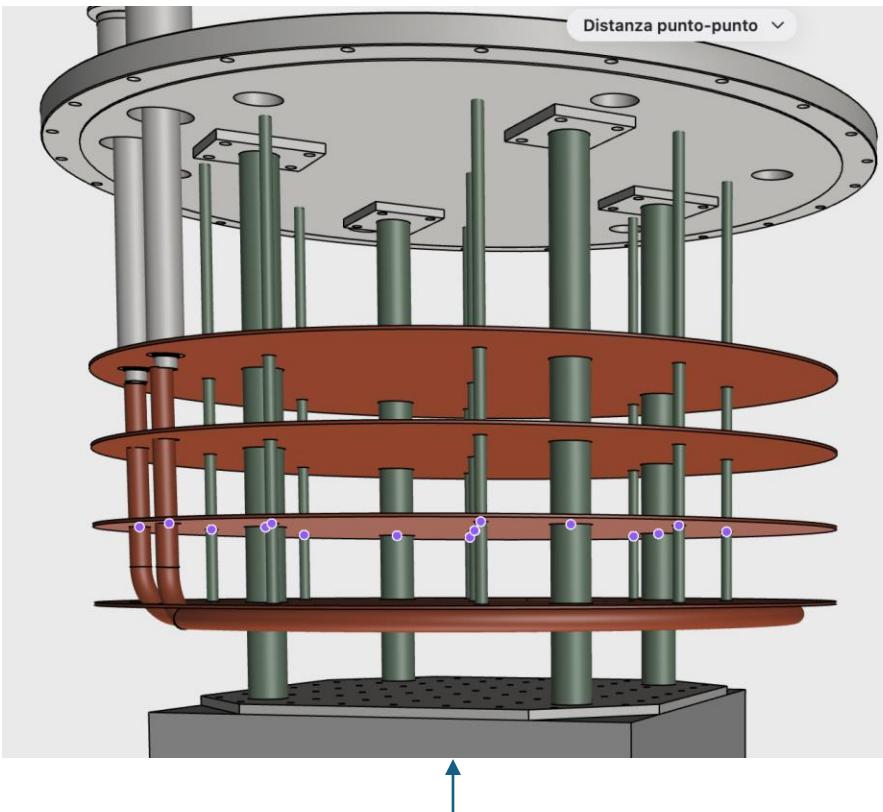
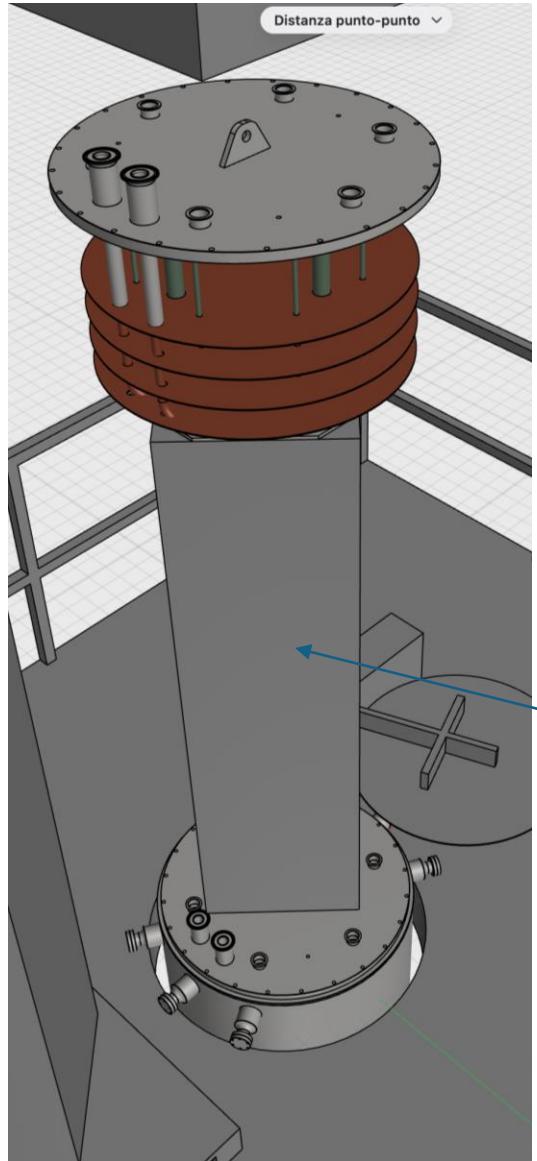
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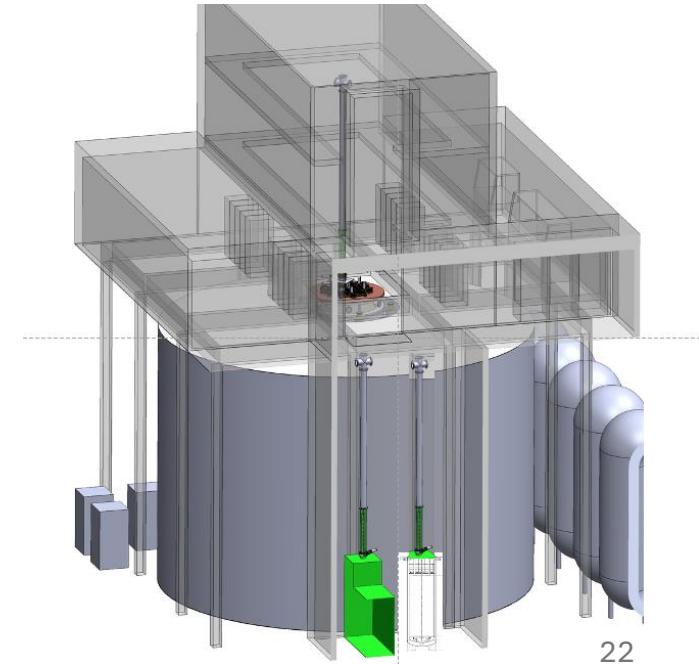
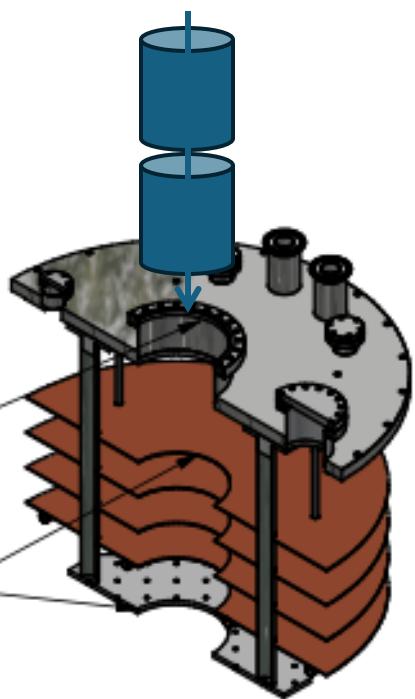


Max sample dimension → 190 cm x 50 cm x 50 cm

CONFIGURAZIONE  
CON FLANGIA  
AGGIUNTIVA FORATA

Flangia CF200

Scermi e supporto  
con foro Ø200



# LEGENDArY

## [above ground @HdM] Hp1

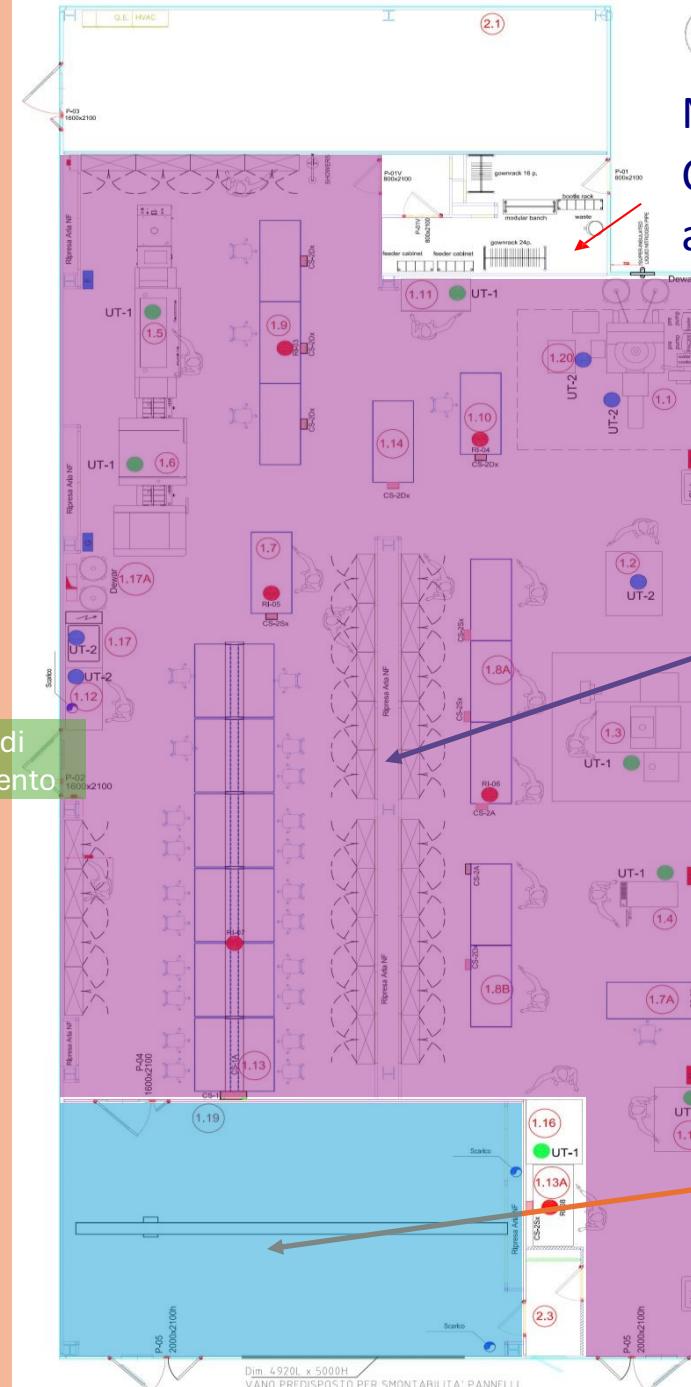
HdM

$N_2$   $LN_2$  LAr GAr

40 m<sup>2</sup>  
H = 6,5-7m

Tunnel  
collegam

B u i l d i n g b e a m



NOA:  
Class ISO 6  
area -> 420 m<sup>2</sup>

- CR3: 3.0 m high,  
353 m<sup>2</sup> (SiPM  
packaging, test  
and integration)

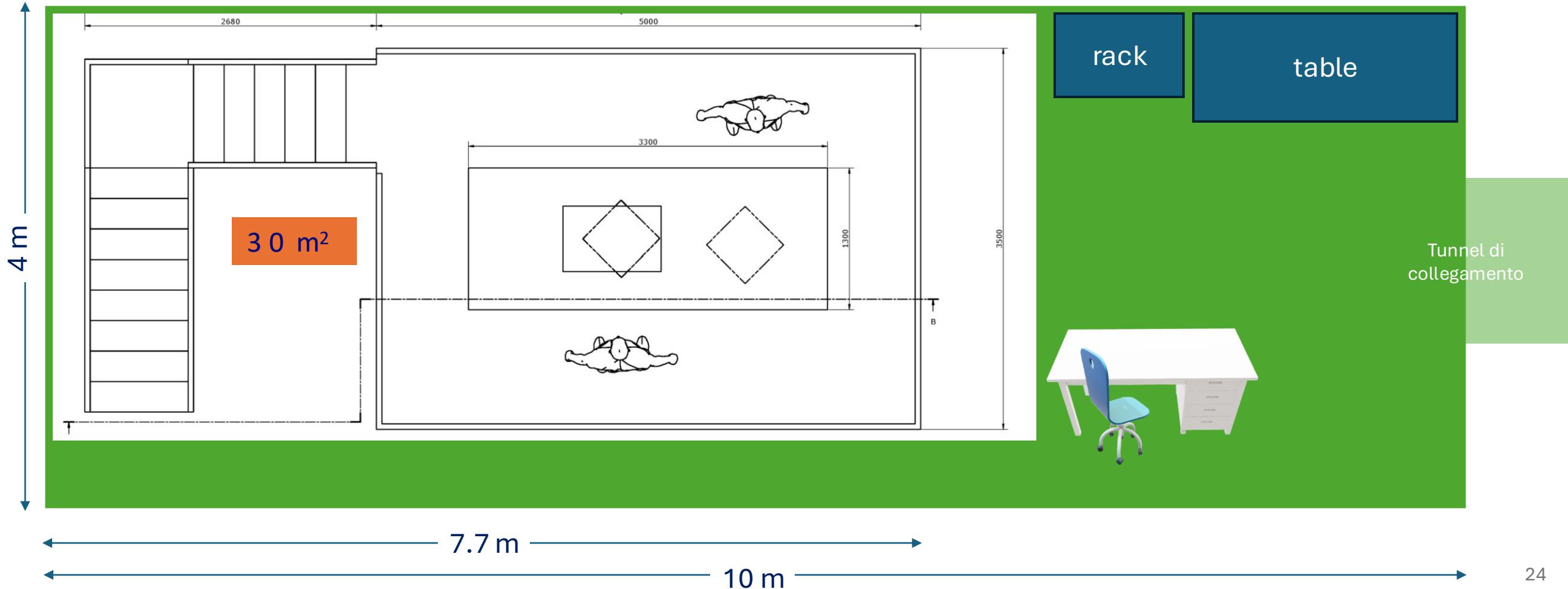
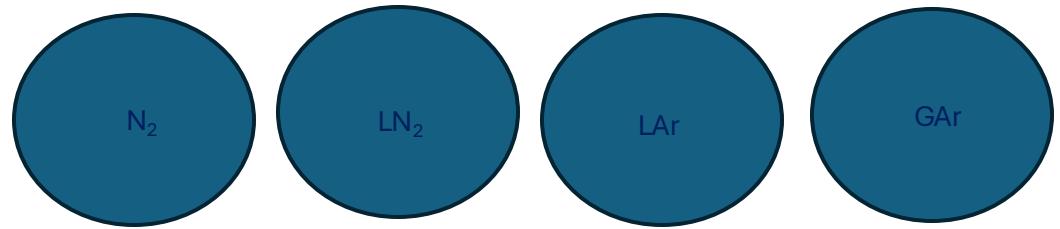
CR2 : 5.8, 68 m<sup>2</sup>  
(large volume  
detector assembly)

40 m<sup>2</sup>

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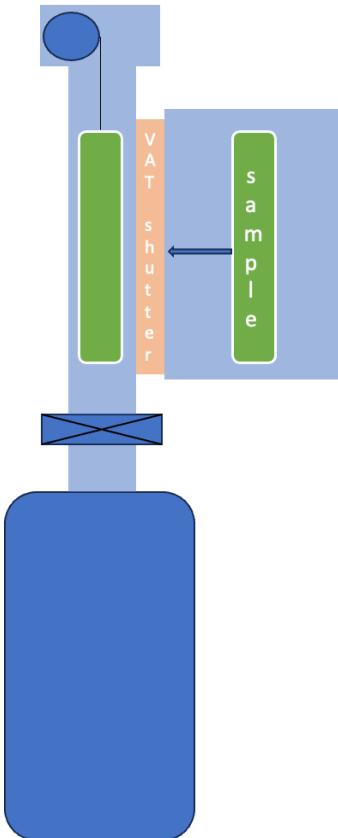


# LEGENDArY

## [above ground @HdM] Hp2

# Richieste 2025

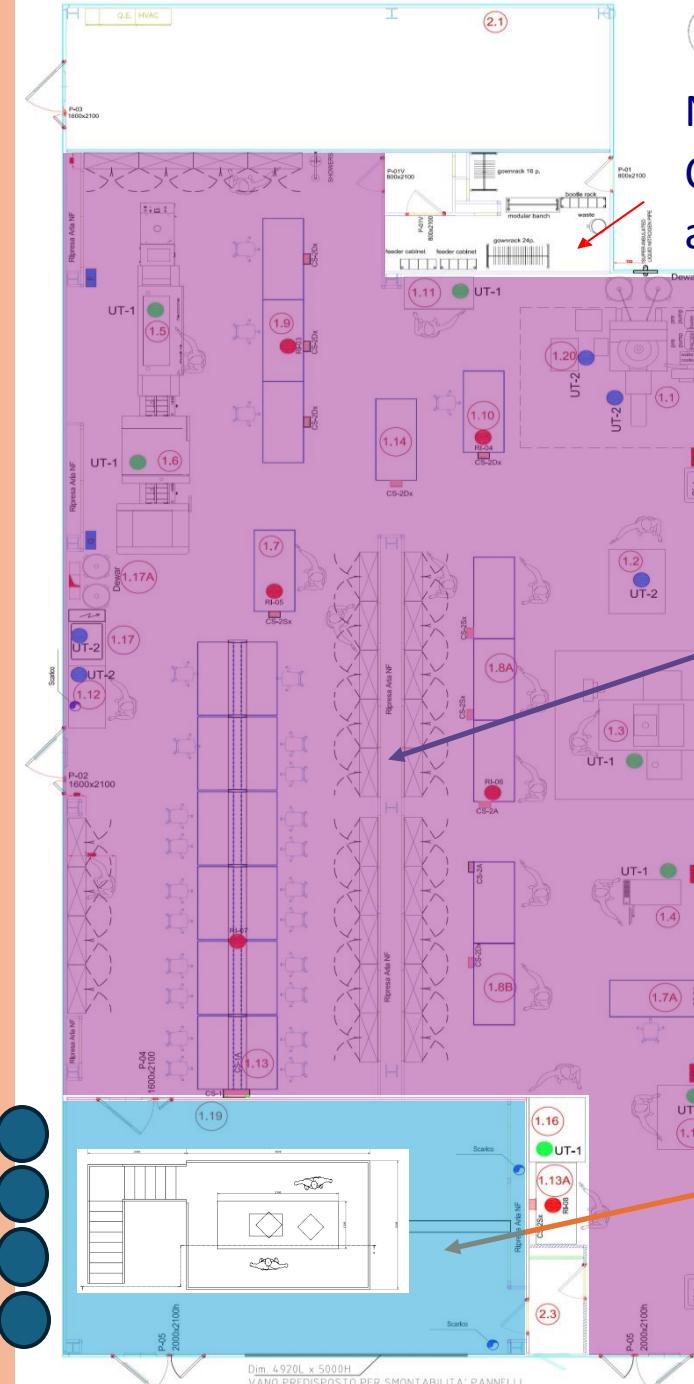
1. Criostato
  2. Glove box + crane
  3. Piattaforma
  4. Clean room (SJ a luce verde su uso CR2)
  5. Sistema di purificazione LAr, sistema di subcooling e linee di trasferimento
  6. Progettazione del sistema di evaporazione di TPB della facility LEGENDaRY
  7. Pompa da vuoto e pompa criogenica per purification system LEGENDaRY



HdM

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N<sub>2</sub>



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# LEGENDArY - preventivi

## OFFERTA 24100 - CRIOTEC

- Prezzo budget criostato: 150.000 € IVA esclusa
- Prezzo budget glove box + sistema movimentazione: 100.000 € IVA esclusa



Glove boxes – Isolators – Containment & Radioprotection equipment

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Castelbolognese, venerdì 9 agosto 2024

Natalia Di Marco, PhD  
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Gran Sasso Science Institute  
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<http://www.gssi.it>

### OFFERTA N. 24-606-A (Budget)

13670 bozza	Glove Box progetto 13670 adatta a manipolazione campioni da introdurre in gate-valve di accesso a criostato - layout preliminare (bozza) 13670 La struttura è realizzata smontabile	Euro 99.000,00.-
	IMBALLO-TRASPORTO-INSTALLAZIONE-COLLAUDI CON NS PERSONALE TECNICO SPECIALIZZATO	Euro 6.000,00.-



### MONTAGGIO

Il montaggio sarà effettuato da personale Icet impianti, con la collaborazione di ditte subappaltatrici specializzate in alcune attività, durante le ore diurne dei giorni feriali. Saranno utilizzate attrezzature adeguate e mezzi di sollevamento appropriati.

### QUOTAZIONE

A corpo: 300.000,00 € (TRECENTOMILA/00)

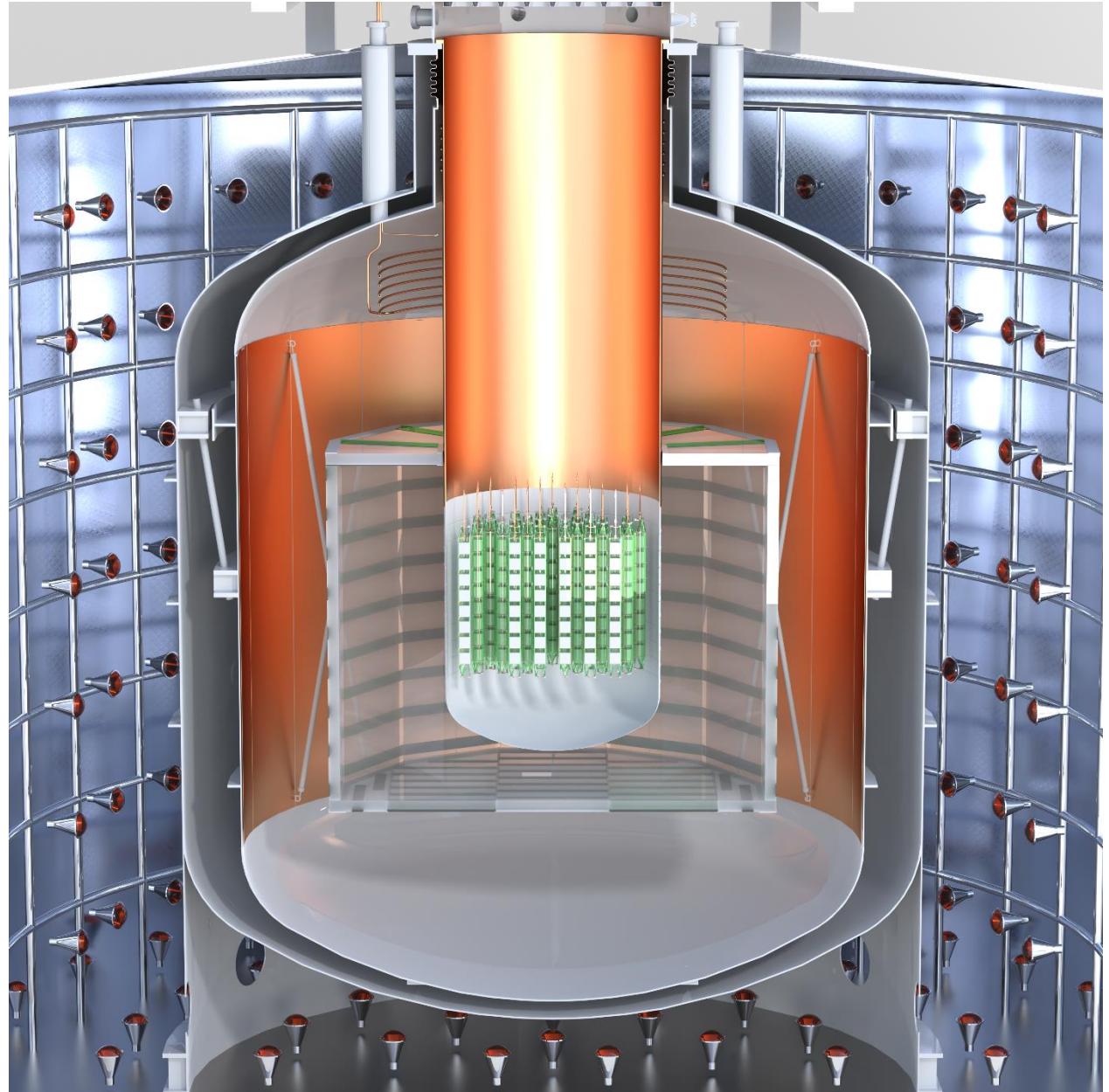
# DRD2

- Produzione campioni PMMA-Gd in collaborazione con ditte Clax e Reynolds (DRD2 4.1.3)

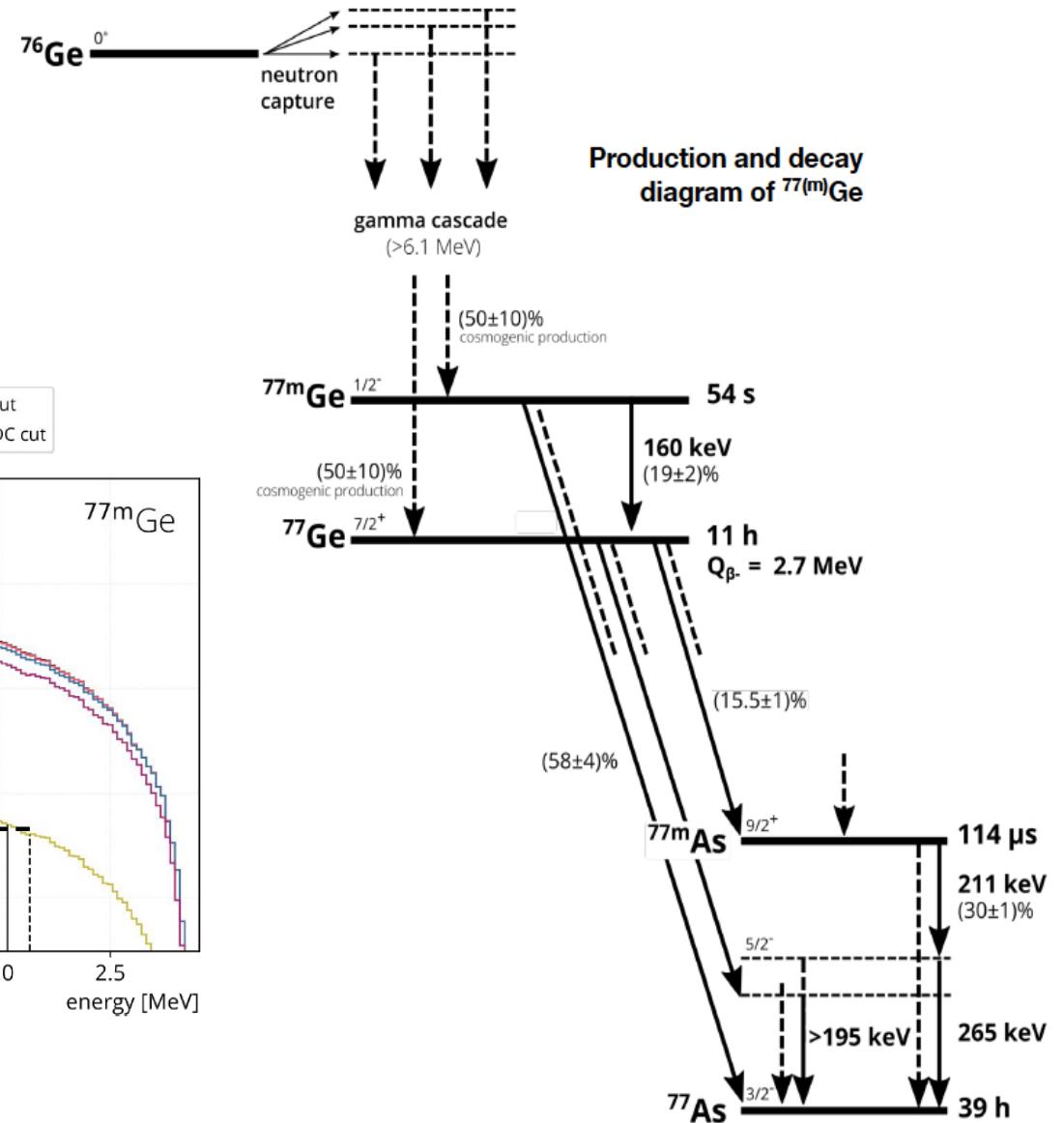
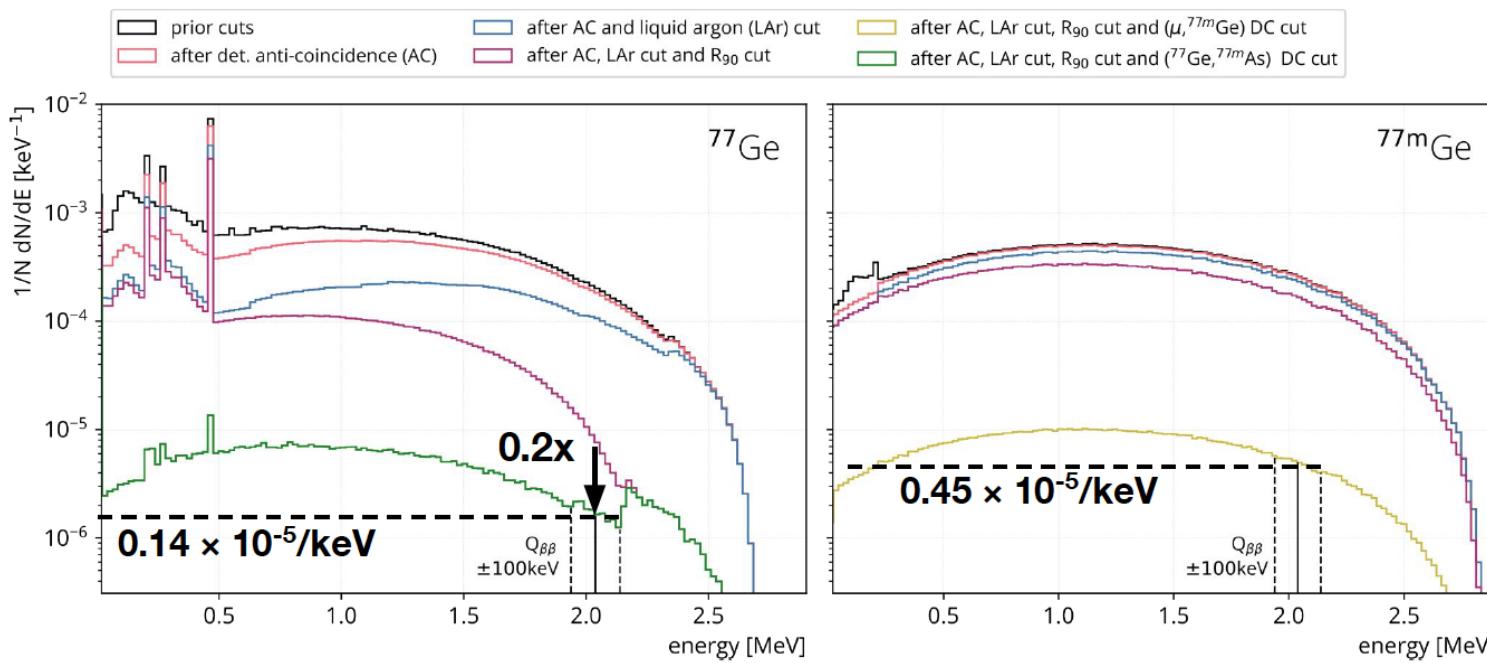
# BACKUP

# Outer LAr veto

Neutron moderator  
panels  
+  
LAr scintillation  
read-out system



# Outer LAr veto

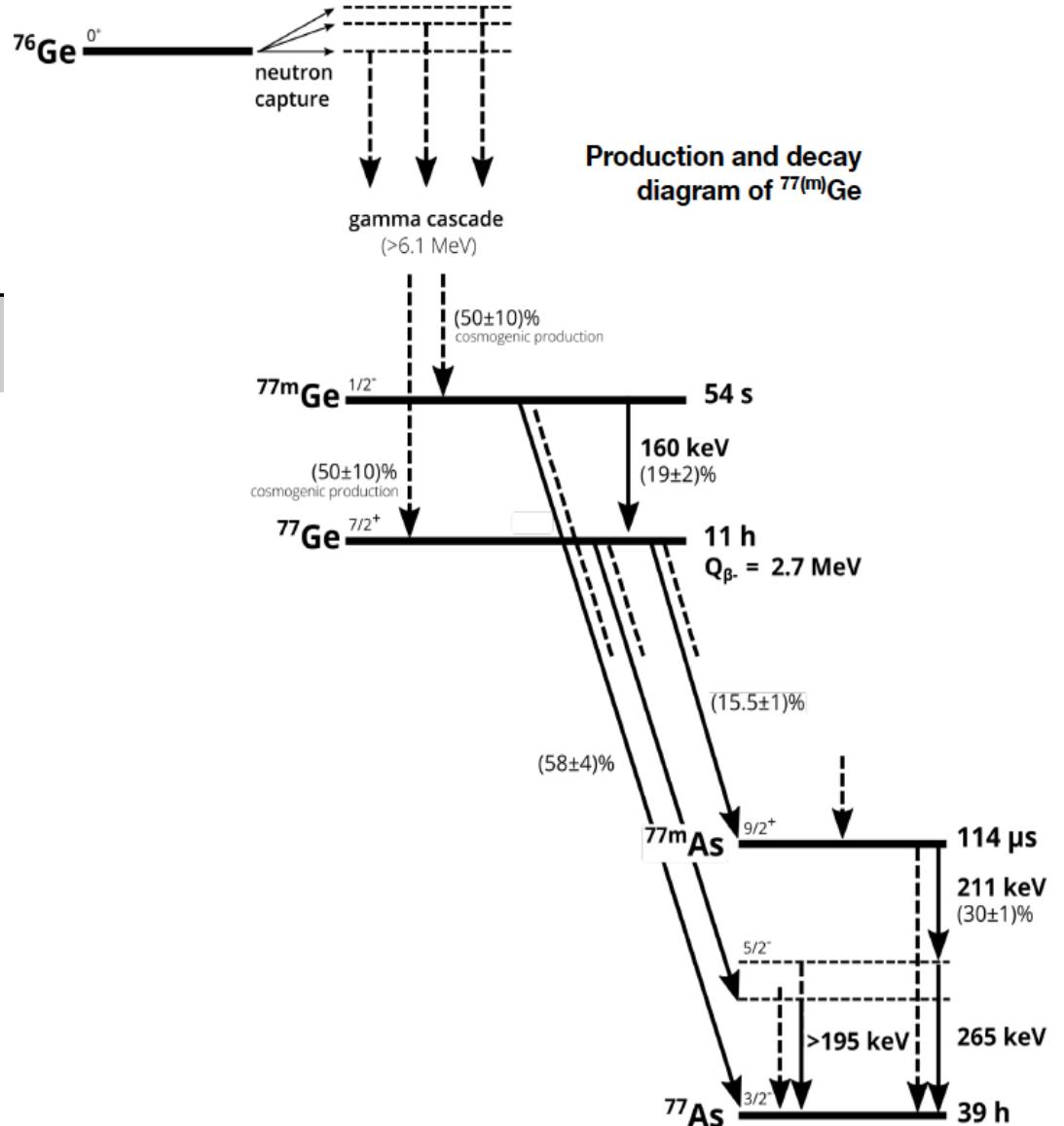


# Outer LAr veto

Counts at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$  per decay

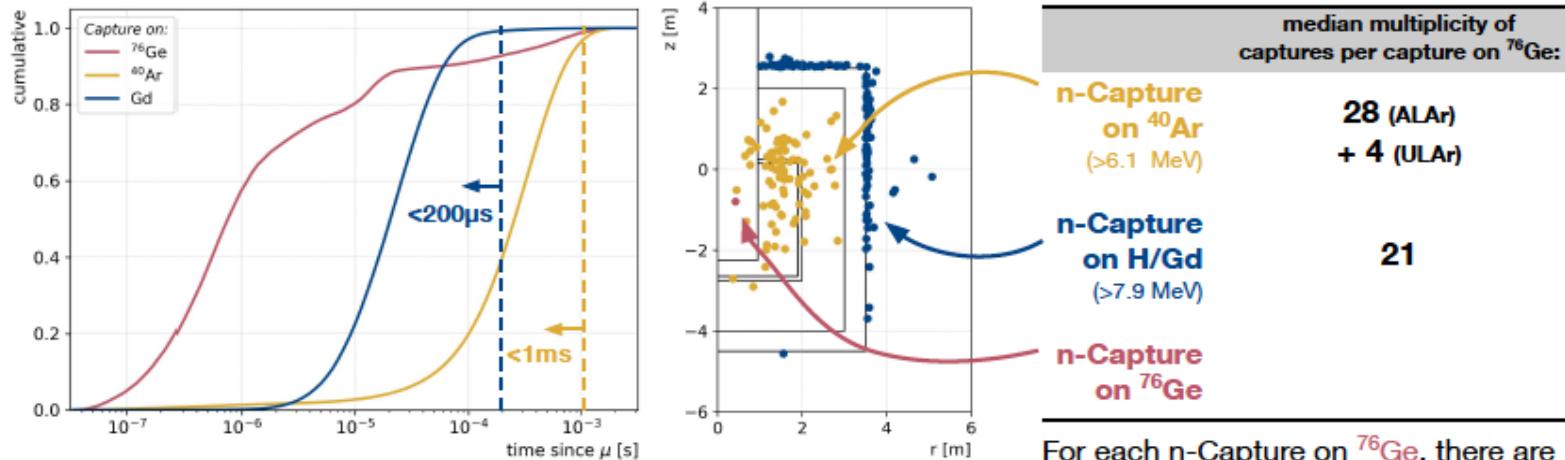
counts @ $Q_{\beta\beta}$ [10 <sup>-5</sup> /keV]	$C_{\text{Ge}77}$	$C_{\text{Ge}77m}$	$\varepsilon_{\text{surv}}^{0\nu\beta\beta}$
prior cuts	19.4	24.1	100%
after det. anti-coincidence	16.9	23.5	
... and LAr veto	9.90	21.2	
... and PSD	0.74	15.1	~90%
... and ( $\mu$ , ${}^{77m}\text{Ge}$ ) DC cut	0.74	0.45	~87%
... and ( ${}^{77}\text{Ge}$ , ${}^{77m}\text{As}$ ) DC cut	<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.45</b>	~87%

$$BI_{\text{delayed}} = 3.8^{+2.7}_{-2.6} \times 10^{-7} \text{ cts/keV/kg/yr}$$



## 2. Indirect: sibling neutrons in the LAr or water/Gd

LEGEND



For each n-Capture on  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ , there are significantly more n-Capture on Ar or H/Gd. However, no position information reconstructable.

### LAr tagging condition:

All HPGe detectors are tagged when **>10 MeV are deposited in the ULAr or >100 MeV in the ALAr** **<1 ms** after the muon.

→ Look at “Outer/ATLAr Instrumentation” by **Natalia Di Marco**

**Goal:**  $\epsilon(\text{LAr})_{\text{surv}}^{\text{Ge}77\text{m}} \leq 40\%$   
with minimal reduction in  $\epsilon_{\text{surv}}^{\text{0v}\beta\beta}$

### Water Cherenkov tagging condition (Neutron Tagger):

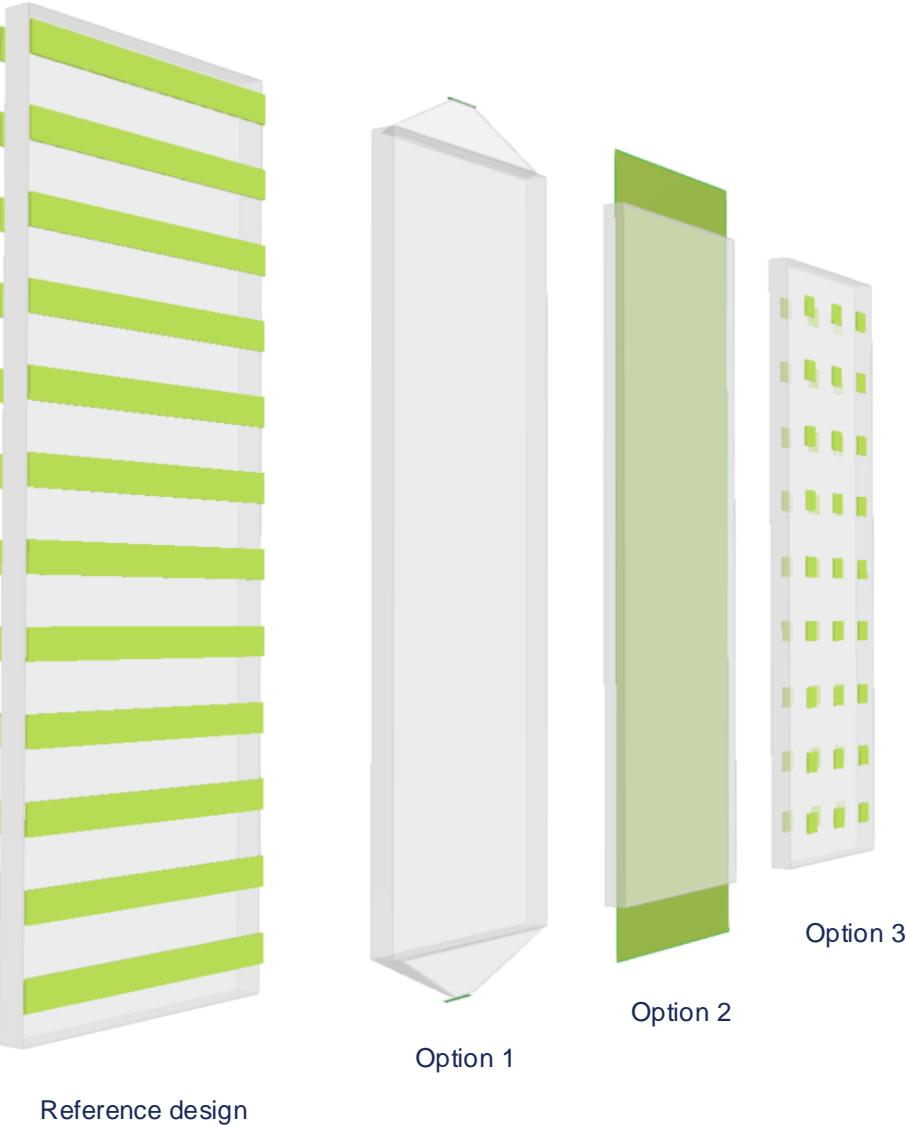
All HPGe detectors are tagged when **>50 n-Capture events occur in the water tank** **<200  $\mu\text{s}$**  after the muon.

→ Look at “Water tank instrumentation” by **Josef Jochum**

**Goal:**  $\epsilon(\text{WC})_{\text{surv}}^{\text{Ge}77\text{m}} \leq 60\%$   
with minimal reduction in  $\epsilon_{\text{surv}}^{\text{0v}\beta\beta}$

Note: goals defined by reduction of  $\epsilon_{\text{surv}}^{\text{0v}\beta\beta}$  from 90% to 89%.

# Read-out instrumentation (alternative designs):



## Option 1:

Each  $100 \times 300 \times 10$  cm<sup>3</sup> PMMA panel is wrapped by a thin foil of PEN (or TPB) acting as a wavelength shifter for the 128 nm Ar light (or 175 nm of Xe-doped LAr).

The readout is performed at both ends by a **matrix of SiPMs** coupled to the panel by means of an *adiabatic guide*, which reduces the guide-sensor surface ratio.

## Option 2:

**Sheets of wavelength-shifting fibers** are inserted at the center of the PMMA panel

The fiber sheets considered are the Saint Gobain BCF-12, with blue peak emission wavelength (435 nm) and improved transmission for use in longer fibers.

The panel is lined with PEN (or TPB) and the doping of the PMMA with a scintillator could be considered.

The readout is performed at both ends by SiPMs

## Option 3:

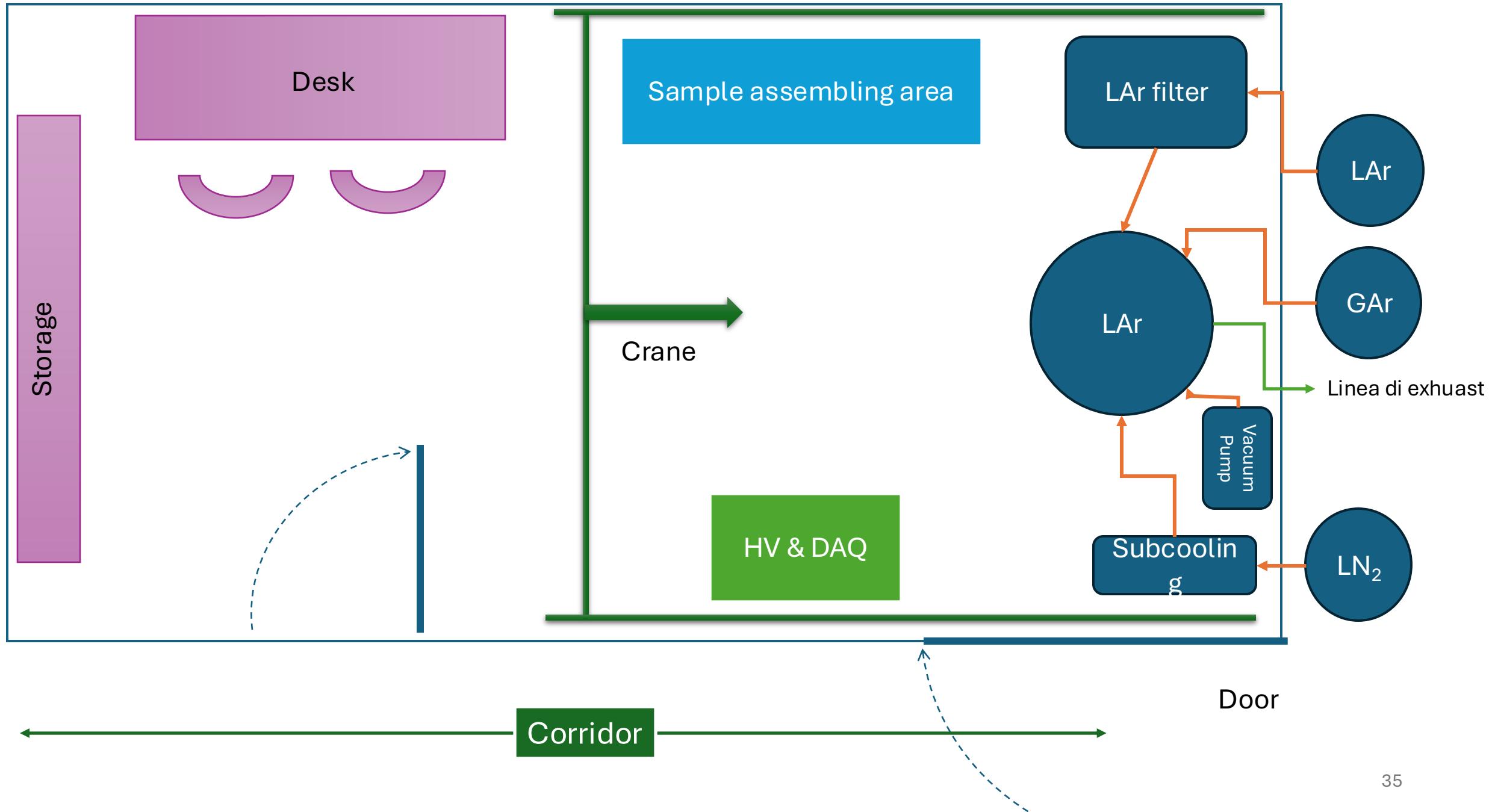
Both moderator panel surfaces are instrumented with **SiPM matrices**, covered with PEN

The panel is lined with a reflective thin film (Tetratex) coated with PEN or TPB.

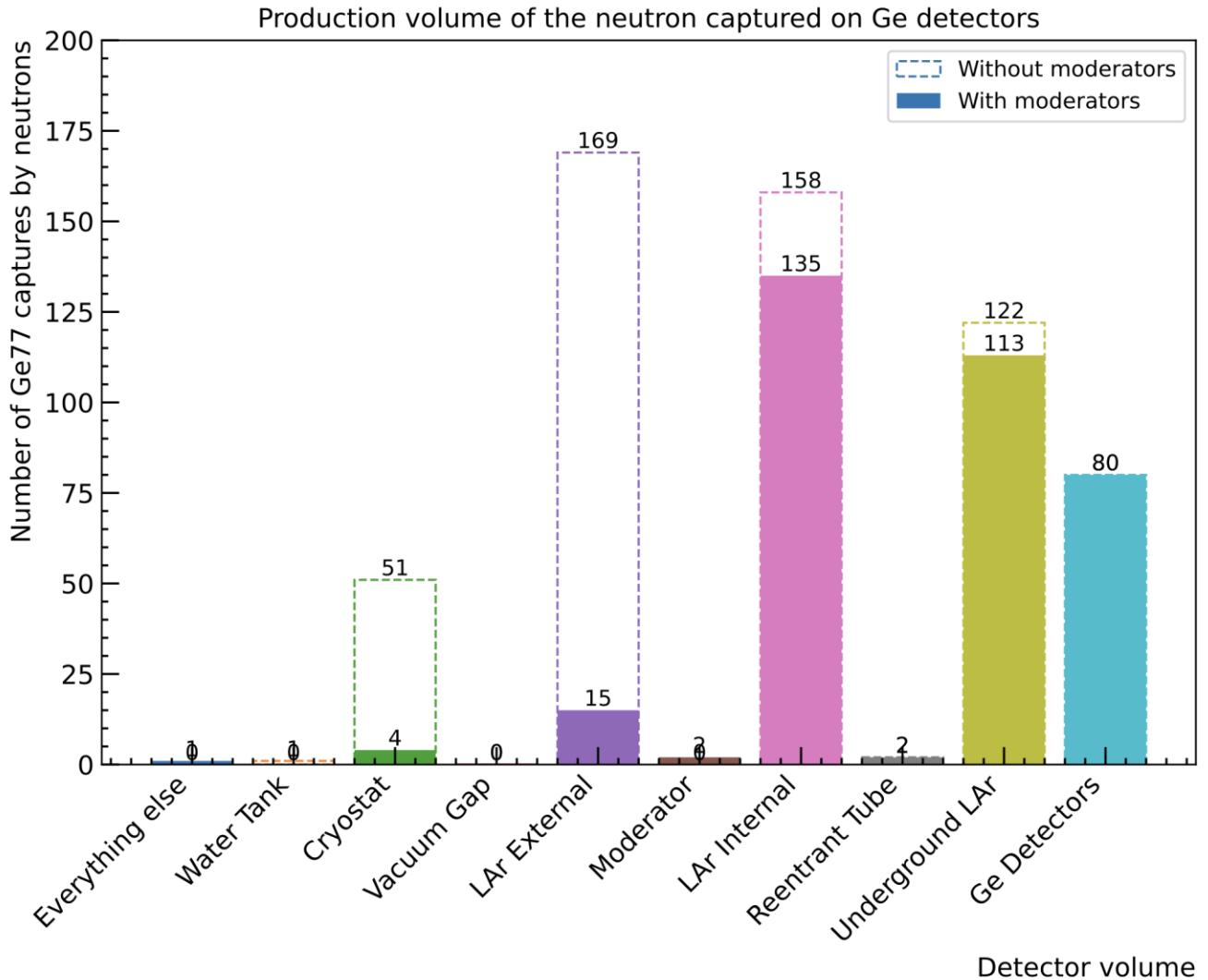
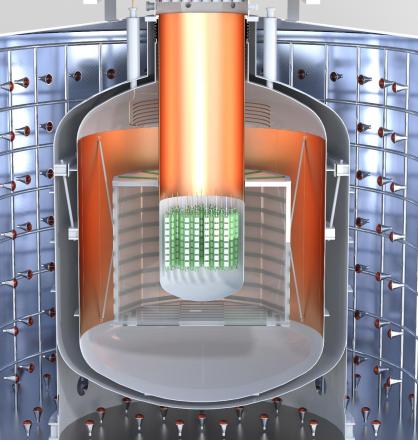
# Time plan (preliminary)

Task Description	Plan Start	Plan End	Type	2024		2025		2026		2027		2028		2029		2030										
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Preliminary design	11-dic-23	31-dic-25	R	Preliminary																						
Develop Neutron moderators for Geometry optimization	11-dic-23	7-feb-24	R																							
Develop Neutron moderators for Material Screening	11-dic-23	10-giu-24	R																							
Develop & characterize WLSR materials - Wavelength Shifter	11-dic-23	6-dic-24	R																							
System requirements of Xe-doping - Xe-doping of LAr	11-dic-23	6-dic-24	R																							
Determine required light collection efficiencies for different at	11-dic-23	8-feb-24	R																							
Construction of LEGENDArYNO facility	1-gen-24	9-dic-24	R																							
Prototyping & testing atm-LAr scintillation readout systems	11-dic-23	31-dic-25	R																							
Perform 3D photon detection probability maps - Photon dete	11-dic-23	10-giu-24	R																							
Determine Optional light detections systems close to reentra	27-dic-23	22-feb-24	R																							
Perform Full system simulations - Photon detection probabilit	10-mag-24	30-set-24	R	Milestone ►																						
Neutron moderators for Mechanical Design & Interfaces w/	11-giu-24	1-feb-25	R																							
Send Neutron moderators for Assay (IM to 1.03.01)	1-giu-24	1-giu-25	R																							
n-moderator Test @ LNL	2-gen-24	2-giu-25	R																							
Cable screening	3-gen-24	3-giu-25	R																							
Design of LEGENDArY facility	4-gen-24	4-gen-25	R																							
Procurement of LEGENDArY cryostat, clean room, equipmen	4-gen-25	30-dic-25	R																							
Final design	1-gen-26	28-set-26	O																							
Construction of LEGENDArY facility	1-gen-26	28-set-26	O																							
Finalize design for Neutron moderators	1-gen-26	30-giu-26	O																							
Finalize design for Scintillation light readout system	1-gen-26	30-giu-26	O																							
Finalize design for Wavelength shifter and reflectors	1-gen-26	30-giu-26	O																							
Finalize design for Xe-doping of LA	1-gen-26	30-giu-26	O																							
Finalize cable choice	1-gen-26	30-giu-26	O																							
Full simulation of Photon detection probabilities & full system	1-apr-26	28-set-26	O																							
Procurement	2-ott-26	24-apr-28	G																							
Procurement of mechanical structure	2-ott-26	20-apr-27	G																							
Procure Neutron moderators & Shipping to LNGS	2-ott-26	9-giu-27	G																							
Neutron moderator surface cleaning	10-giu-27	8-ott-27	G																							
Procure Wavelength shifter & reflectors & Shipping to LNGS	2-ott-26	31-mar-27	G																							
Procure Xe-doping of LA & Shipping to LNGS	2-ott-26	31-mar-27	G																							
Procure cables	2-ott-26	31-mar-27	G																							
Procure Scintillation light readout system & Shipping to LNG	2-ott-26	31-mar-27	G																							
Light guides surface cleaning	1-apr-27	30-giu-27	G																							
PEN wrapping/TPB evaporation of light guides	2-lug-27	31-agosto-27	G																							
Procure SiPMs & Shipping to Rome3	1-dic-26	31-mar-27	G																							
Test SiPM@Rome3	1-apr-27	30-lug-27	G																							
SiPM packaging & installation on the light guides	31-agosto-27	30-ott-27	G																							
Test Scintillation readout system	31-ott-27	29-mar-28	G																							
System installation (incl. Testing) AS.I02	1-ott-28	30-mar-29	Y																							
Commissioning	10-ott-29	29-nov-29	Y																							
Start of DATA TAKING	1-dic-29	29-nov-39	Y																							

# LEGENDArYno space 4 x 2 m<sup>2</sup> in HdM



# Outer LAr veto -simulation



without moderator

$$N_{tot} = 580$$

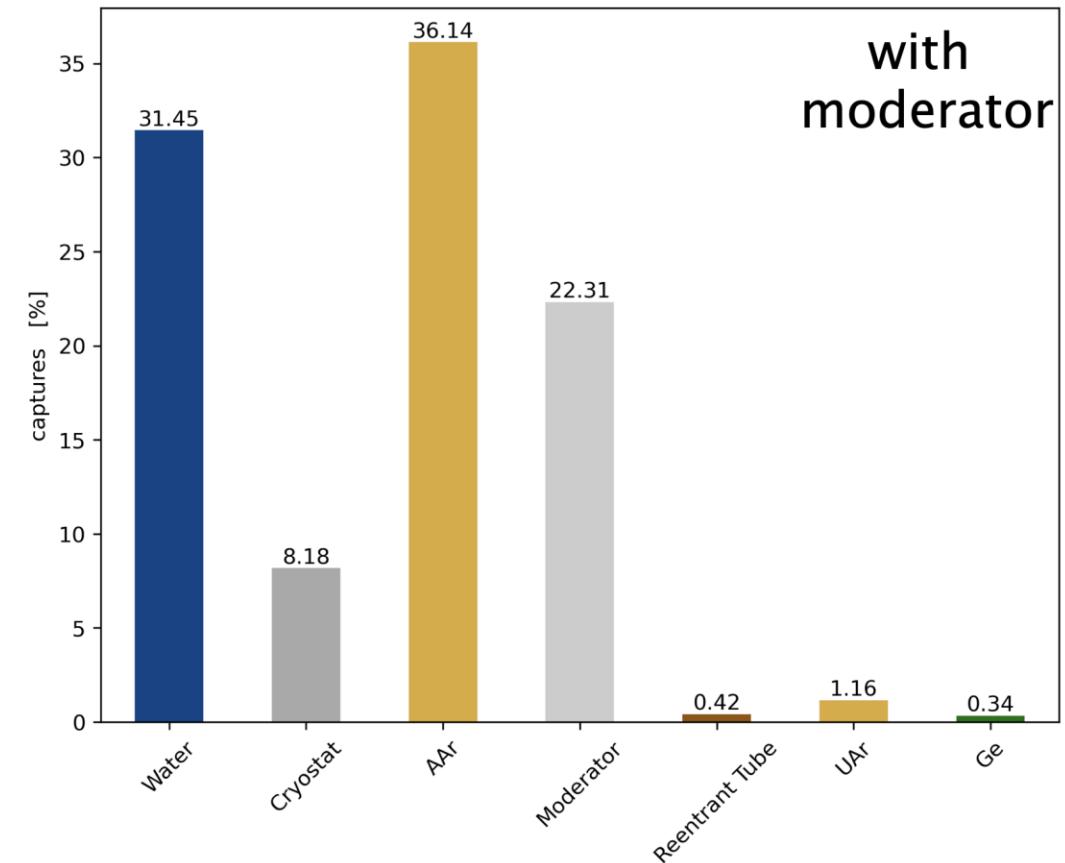
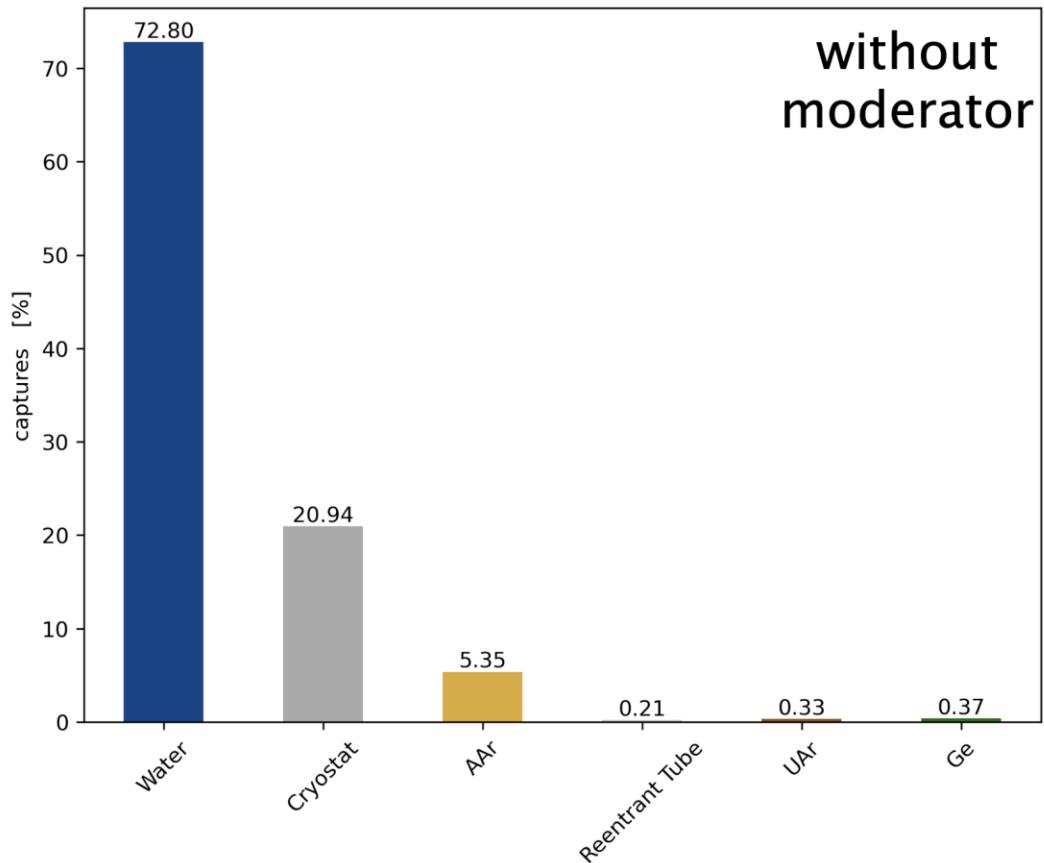
with moderator

$$N_{tot} = 347$$

$\Rightarrow \times 1.7$  less  $^{77(m)}\text{Ge}$

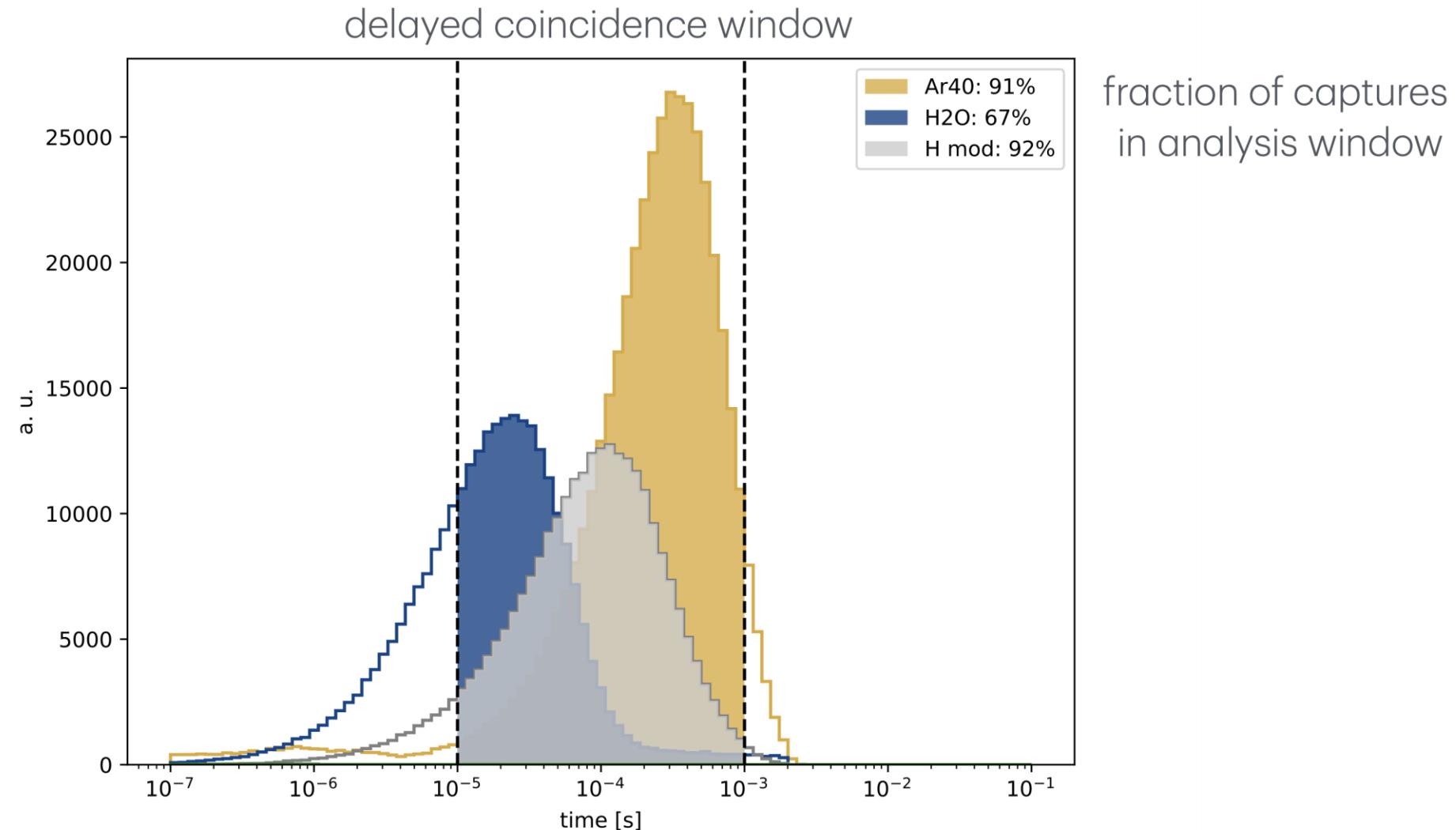
contribution from neutrons produced outside moderator highly suppressed  
(< 10% produce  $^{77(m)}\text{Ge}$ )

# Outer LAr veto -simulation



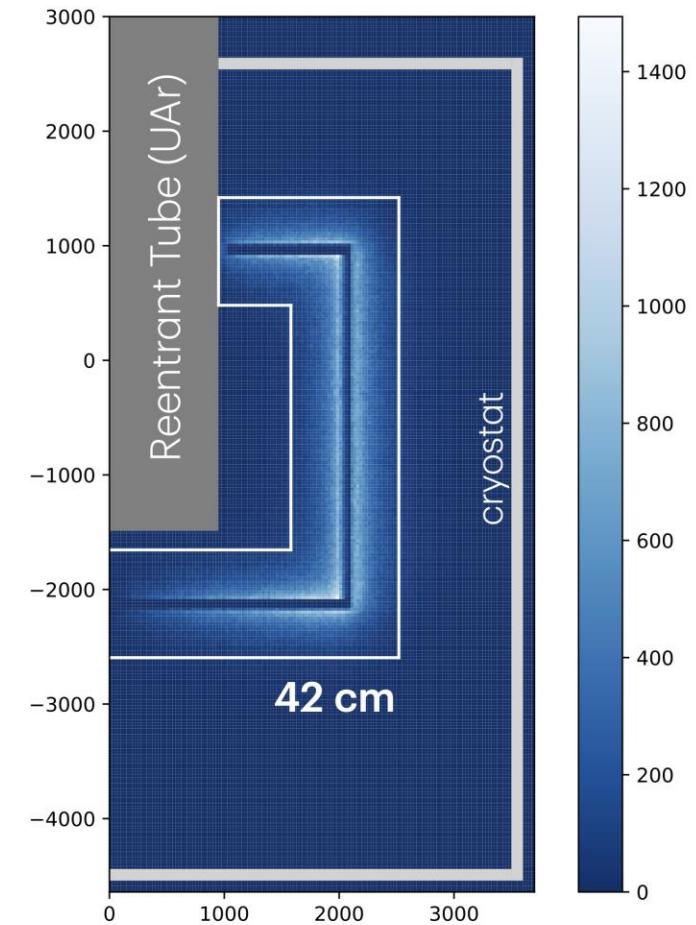
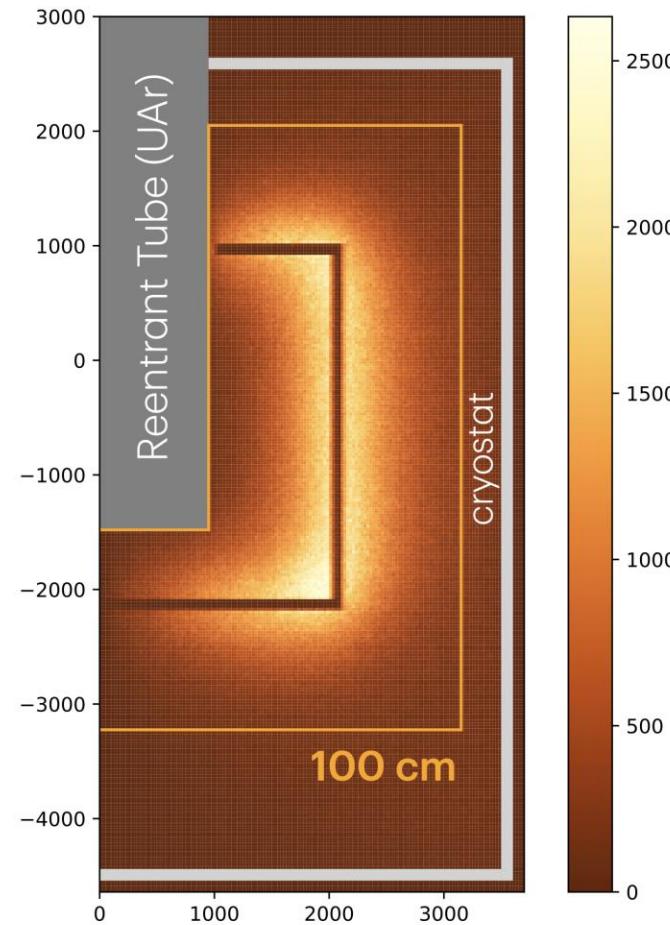
Neutron moderator effectively slows down neutrons  
and enhances probability of being captured by Ar!!

# Outer LAr veto -simulation

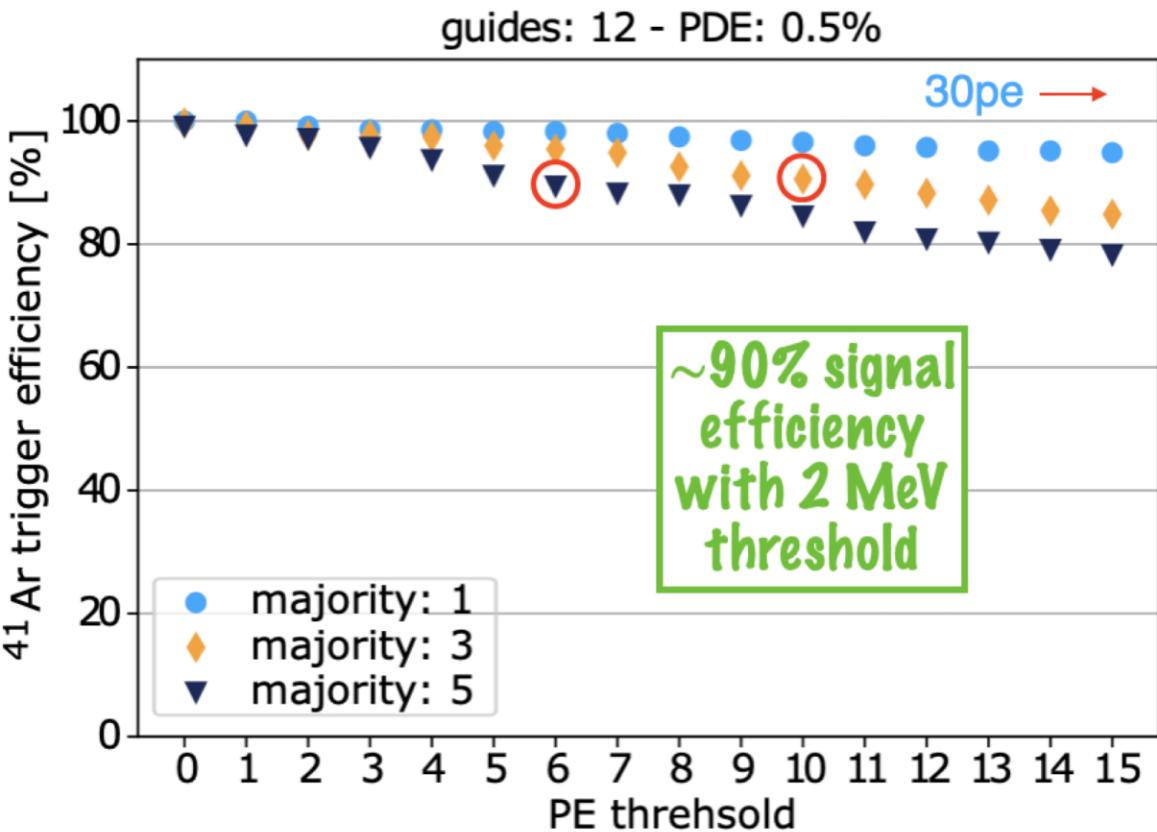


# Outer LAr veto -simulation

90% Edep from the moderator -  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  vs H



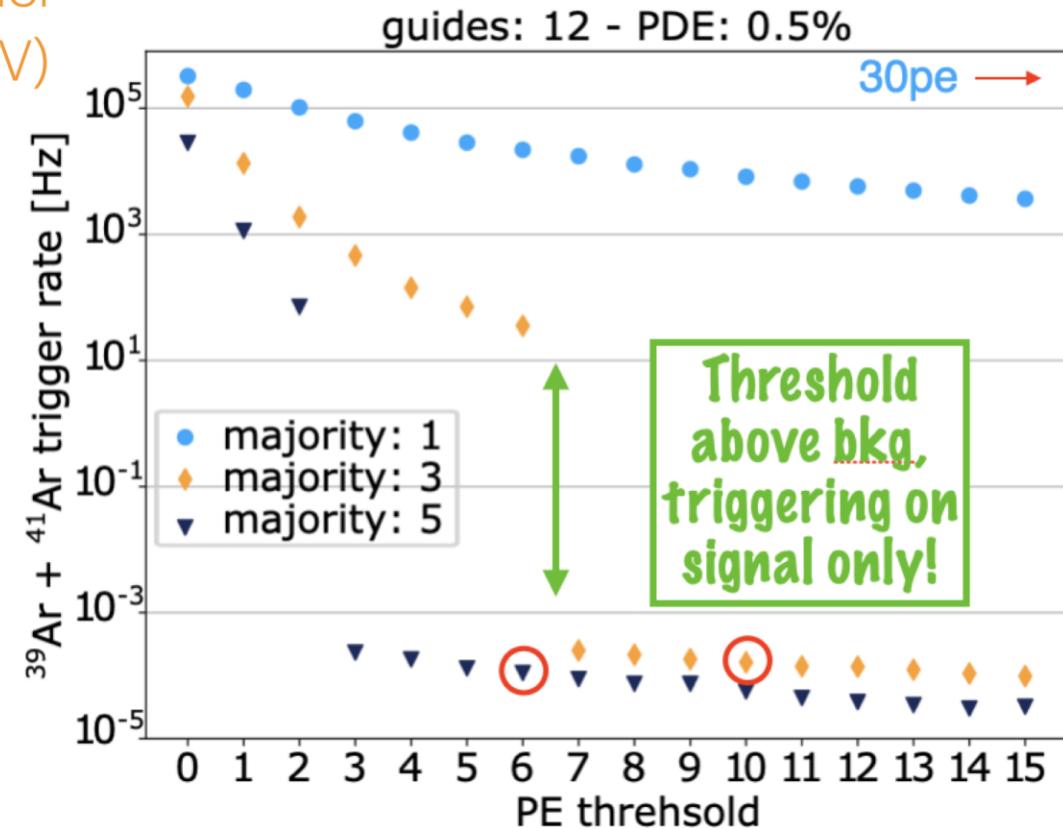
# Outer LAr veto -simulation



LY is now actually  
slightly higher  
(~20 PE/MeV)

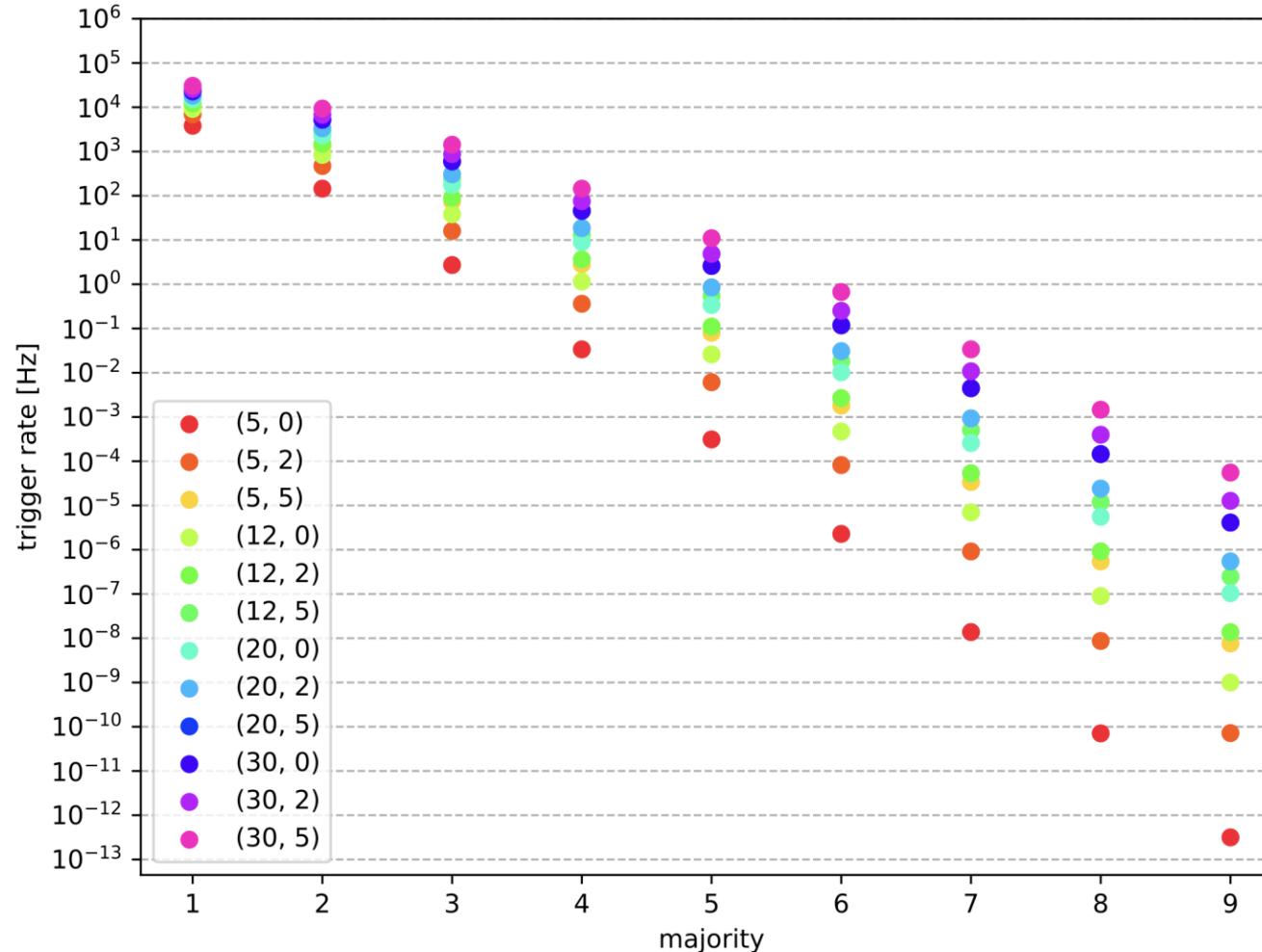
Light Yield  
~15 PE/MeV

○ 2 MeV  
threshold



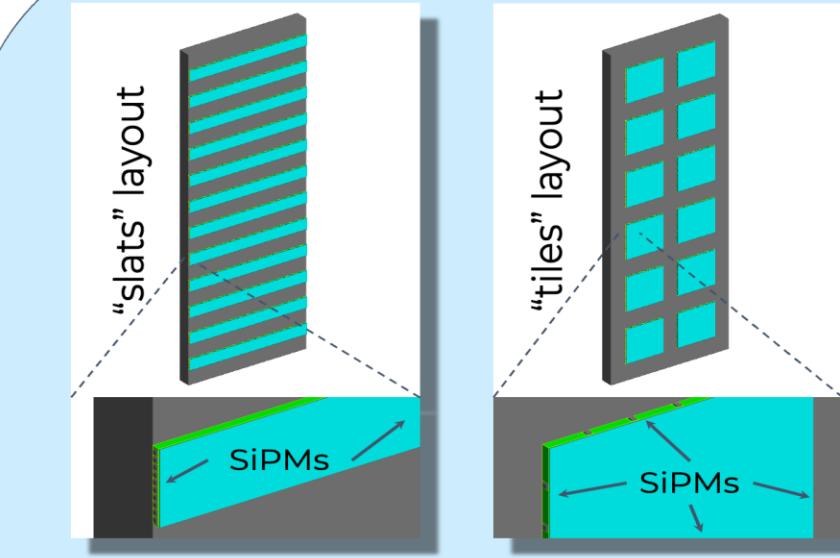
# Outer LAr veto -simulation

- NEW (preliminary) Dark Count Rate (DCR)
  - considering DUNE SiPM (from [this paper](#)), DCR is  $\sim 74$  mHz/mm<sup>2</sup>
  - in our design each channel has 12 SiPM with area 6x6 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - DCR per channel is 32Hz



If we assume an amplitude of 1 or 2 PE, then it's enough to have a trigger on a single channel higher than that to reduce enormously (or to zero) the trigger rate due to DCR

Note: because of Ar39 at the moment we already are using PE threshold >5 on a single channel



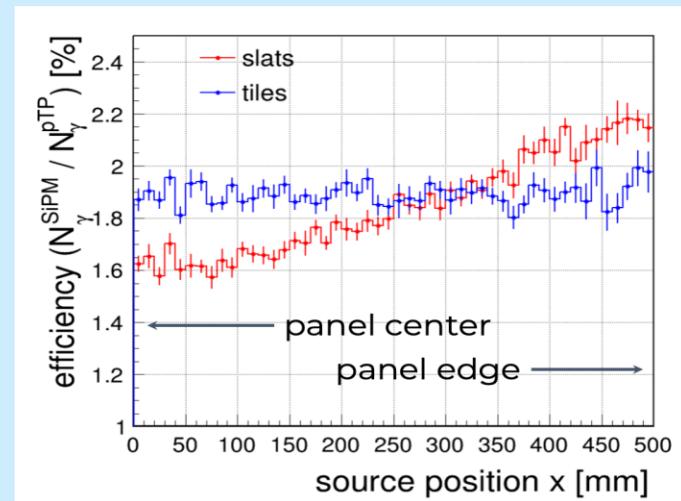
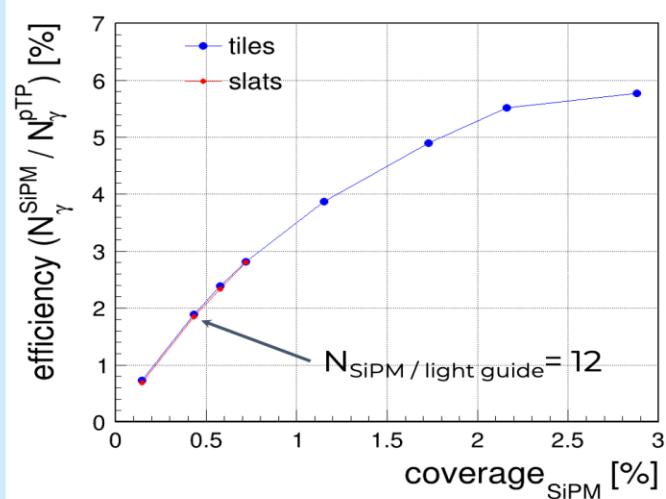
Geant4 simulations for a couple of different geometry layouts:

- “slats”:  $100 \times 10 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$  elongated light guides
- “tiles”:  $31 \times 31 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$  square light guides

Nominal design has 12 SiPM/light guide → **Coverage<sub>SiPM</sub> = 0.43%**

In both cases, primary WLS (pTP) deposited onto a support PMMA panel, 1 mm away from the light guide

Studying the light guide efficiency (photons hitting the SiPM / photons hitting the pTP):



SiPM PDE not included here

# Work in progress

Work in progress:

- optimize neutron moderators
- + water Cherenkov detector / LAr neutron tagger
- Study several read-out configurations (geometry, PDE, coverage etc...)
- learn from L200
  
- using correlations between observables in multivariate analysis  
(e.g. Likelihood based tagging, ML)
- full simulation of all detector systems including optical photon tracking

