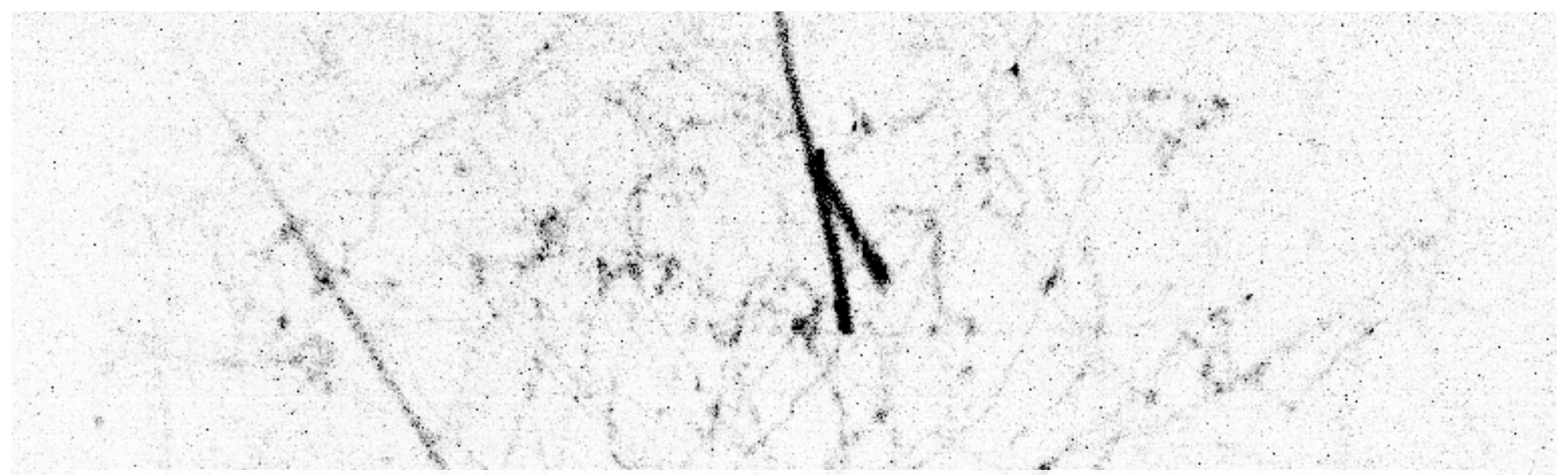

CYGNO Experiment

CYGNO status and plans
Feb 2025

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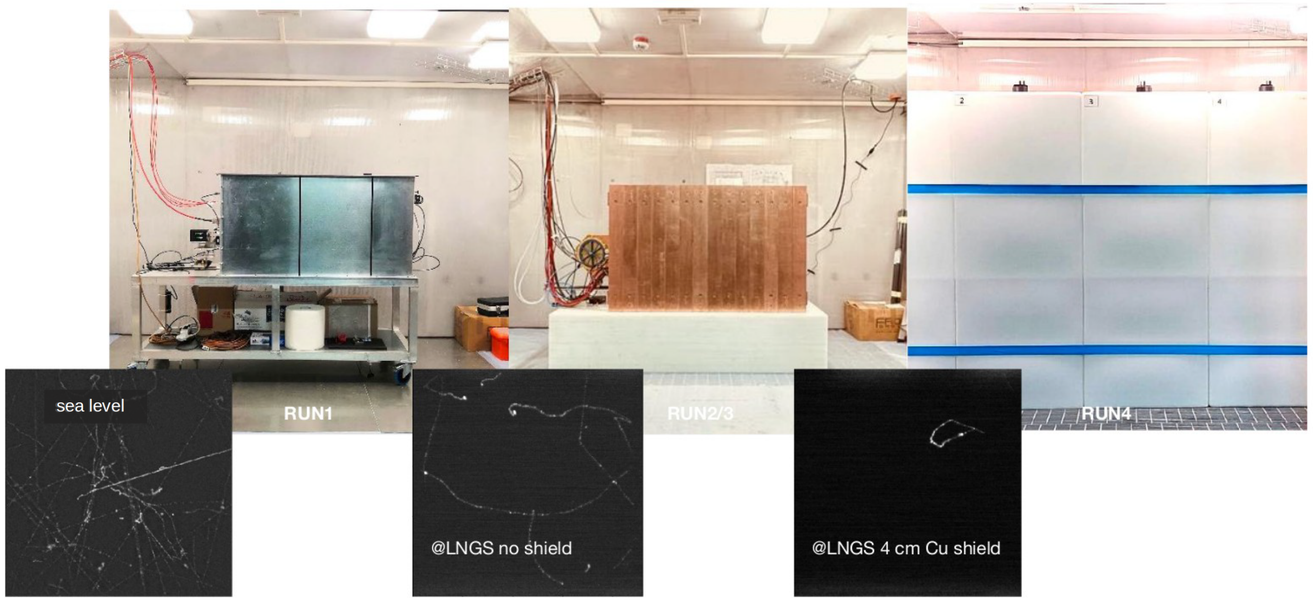
Collaboration Meeting 2024

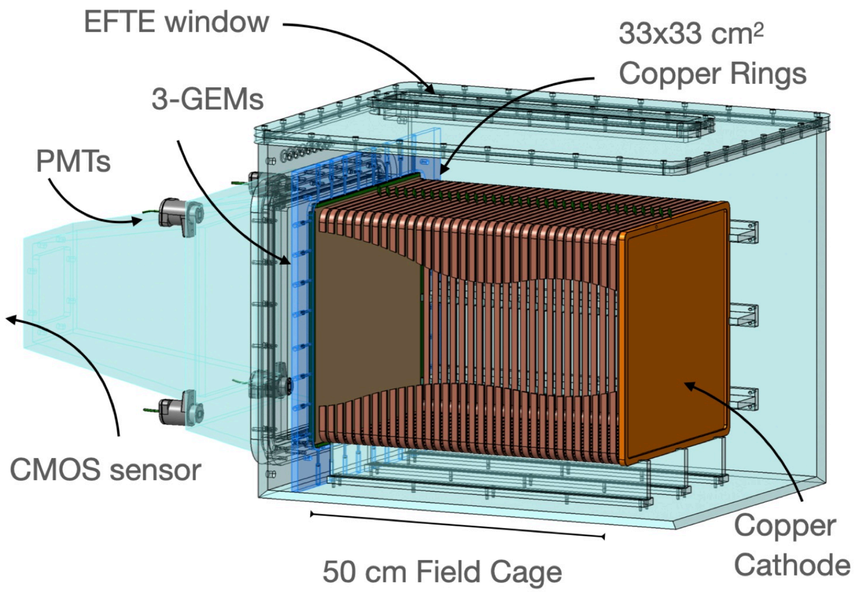
CYGNO Collaboration Meeting 2024

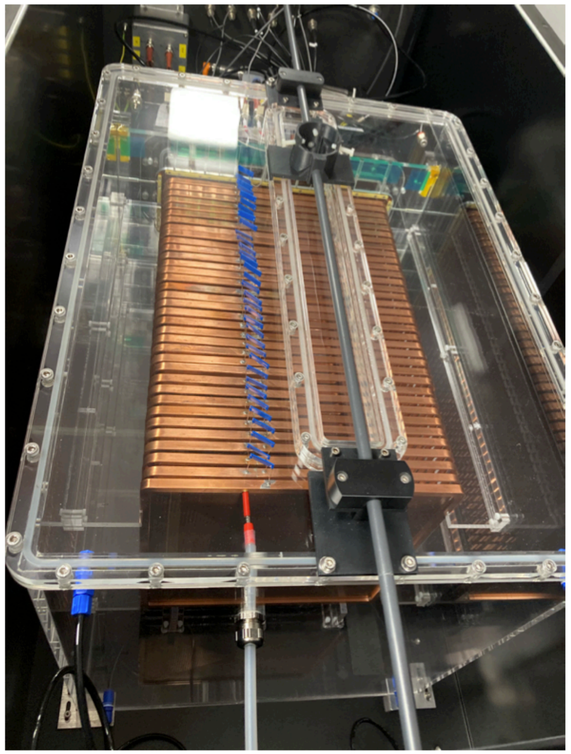
Three days of discussion about status and plans of:

- LIME Data **acquisition** and **analysis**;
- CYGNO04 **drawing** and **simulation**;
- Component **validation**;
- Project management and **financial status**;

LIME: RUNs 1-5







- testing and optimisation of **ancillary systems** (HV, Gas, Slow Control, DAQ, Reco, Monitoring);
- development and optimisations of data **analysis algorithms** and performance study;
- development and validation of **detector** and **background simulation**;

LIME: RUNs 1-5

	Time slot	Number of pictures	Event rate	Number of events
RUN 1: No-shielding	3 Nov 2023 - 15 Dec 2023	4 10^5	35 Hz	4 10^6
RUN 2: 4 cm Cu shielding	15 Feb 2023 - 15 March 2023	4.5 10^5	3.5 Hz	5 10^5
RUN 3: 10 cm Cu shielding	5 May 2023 - 16 Nov 2023	1.6 10^6	1.5 Hz	7.3 10^5
RUN 4: 10 cm Cu + 40 cm water shielding	30 Nov 2023 - 31 March 2024	2 10^6	1.0 Hz	6 10^5
RUN 5: 10 cm Cu shielding (neutron flux measurements)	17 May 2024 - 1 Dec 2024	12 10^6	1.5 Hz	5.4 10^6

Special data takings

AmBe for Nuclear Recoils	2-4 Aug 2023	2 10^5	0.04 Hz of NR	2.5 10^3 NR
^{241}Am for Electron Recoils	7-16 Nov 2023	7 10^5	50 Hz	10^6
AmBe for Nuclear Recoils	5-15 Dec 2024	6 10^5	0.04 Hz of NR	7.0 10^3 NR

LIME PLANS

With the **end of RUN4** in March 2024, LIME data taking for **PHASE_0 is considered closed**;

The whole schedule successfully concluded with **3 months delay** (including the delayed start due to civil works) in over **27 months of operations**;

The water shielding was then removed and in **May 2024** and **RUN5** has been taken for 6 months to measure the **flux of underground neutrons**, in the framework of **PRIN** "**Zero Radioactivity on future experiments";**

Good exercise to **tune and test simulation and analysis algorithms** for **NR**, propaedeutical to DM search;

In **December 2024** a 10 days long **AmBe campaign** was performed to have a good calibration on signal-like events;

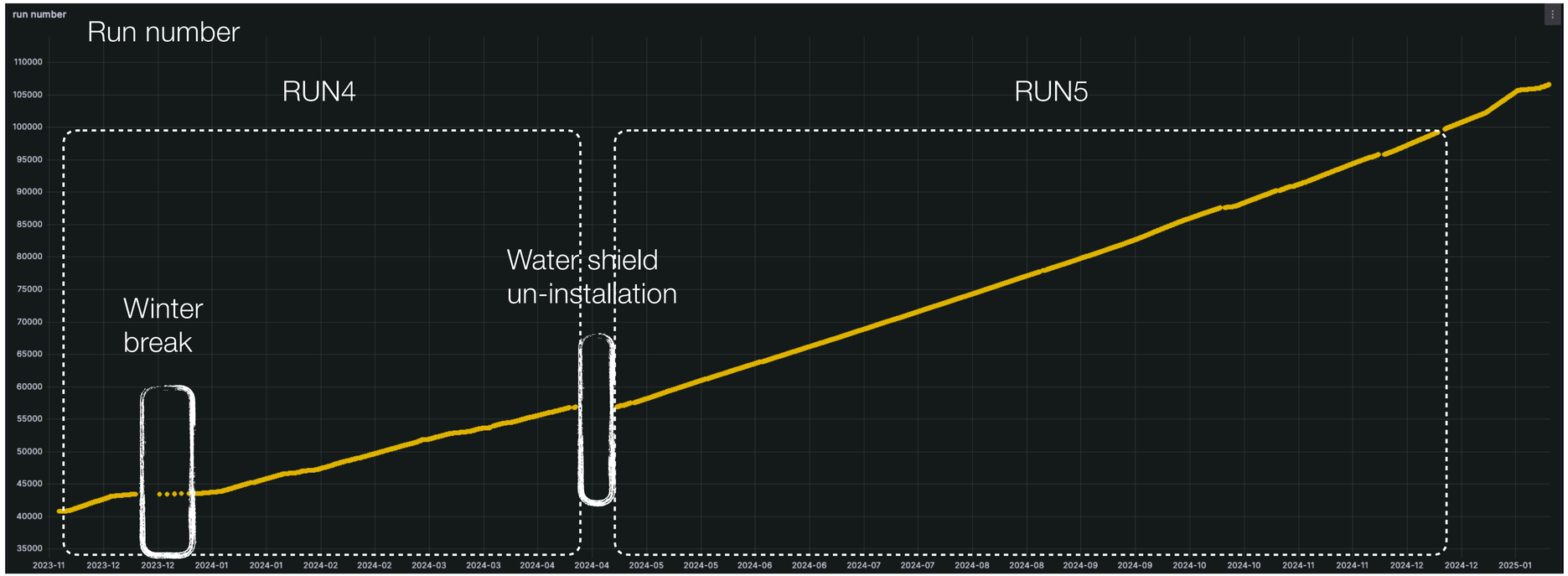
From **January 2025** we are taking some **"technical runs"** to study the effects of **gas filters,** a **new camera**, and **calibration** with ^{85}**Kr**

LIME DATA TAKING SUMMARY

Ancillary systems: DAQ and Slow control

Data taking started in October 2023 never stopped;

More than **7x10^4 runs** have been taken for a total of **28 x 10^6 pictures**;



All of them have been **promptly transferred** on the INFN-Cloud and **reconstructed**;

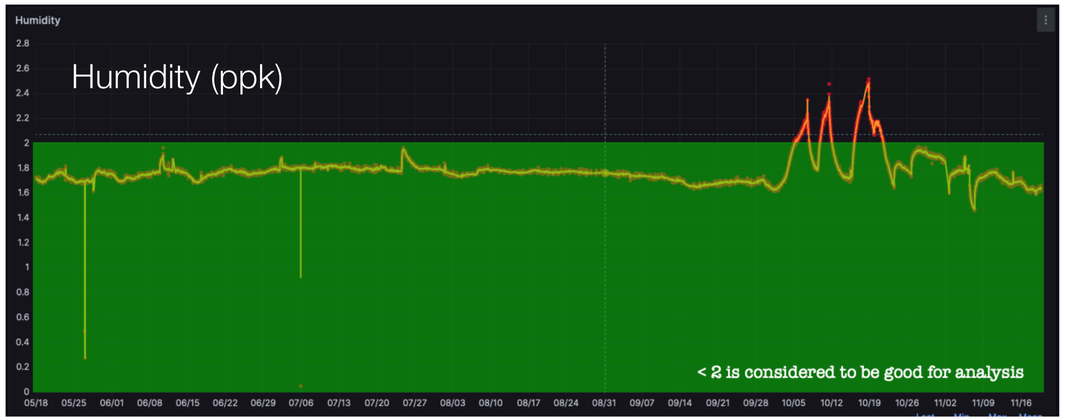
Reco-files are made available to the CYGNO users **few minutes after** the run was taken;

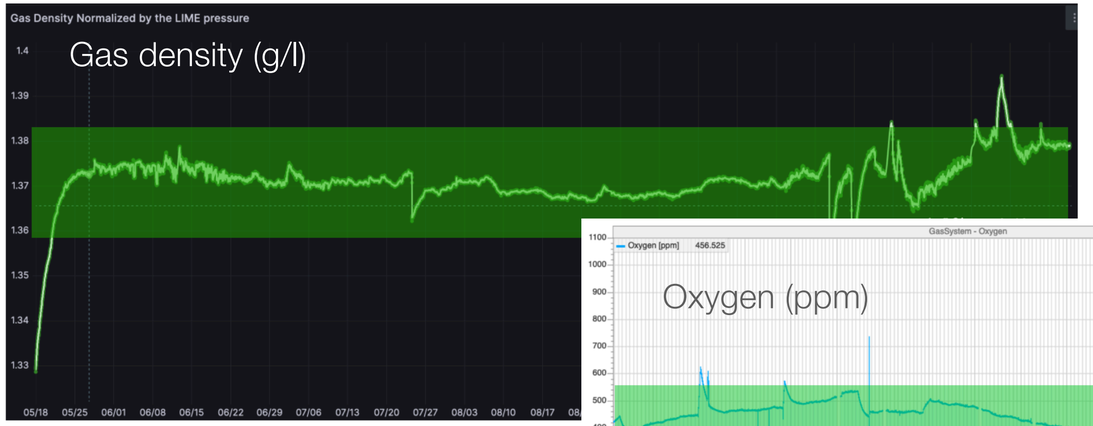
Ancillary systems: Gas and HV

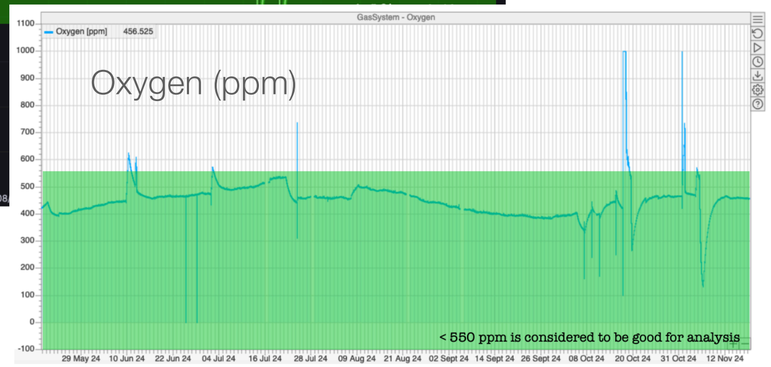
Less than one **spark-**like every 3 days was recorded in 2024 (12 times lesser than previous best limit …)

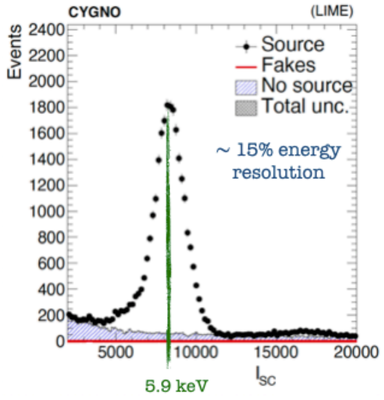
Several **grafana** pages allows to monitor the **detector operation**, its main parameters and **data quality;**

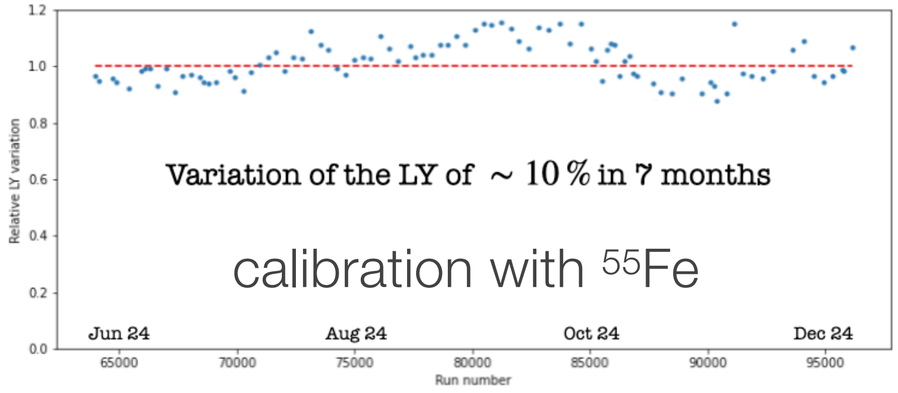
Gas **humidity, oxygen** and other **contaminants** were **under control** for the whole **2024**











Detector calibration with **^{55}Fe** is now a **completely automated** procedure and showed a **stability with 7% RMS** over 6 months

CYGNO04

TDR CYGNO financial plan and CSN2 proposal

The TDR submitted in **2022** included:

- infrastructure installation by Oct 2024;
- detector installation by Dec 2024;
- start of data taking Sept 2025;

Since the spring **2024** an important delay started to accumulate leading to 5-6 months delay

- infrastructure installation by the end of Feb 2025;
- detector installation by summer 2025;
- data taking to start at the beginning of 2026;

La commissione apprezza il lavoro di analisi compiuto dalla collaborazione su LIME ma invita la collaborazione a finalizzare la realizzazione di CYGNO-04 non oltre i primi mesi del 2026, recuperando, ove possibile i ritardi. La CSN2 raccomanda alla collaborazione un adeguato periodo di presa dati prima del *decommissioning* previsto nel 2027. La commissione inoltre puntualizza che la maggior parte delle spese di costruzione costruzione e caratterizzazione di CYGNO-04 devono essere sostenute su fondi ERC e si impegna a dare supporto all'esperimento secondo il piano finanziario esposto nel CDR a fronte del raggiungimento delle *milestone* di progetto, che saranno puntualmente verificate dai Referee.

Financial profile for ERC and INFN from the **2022 TDR**

Year	INITIUM/ERC	CYGNO/INFN
2019	20	54
2020	201	44
2021	71	96
2022	40	96
2023	374	120
2024	302	125
2025	60	135
2026	0	95
2027	0	50
Tot 23-27	736	525
Tot	**1068**	**815**

CYGNO04 drawings

Between **December and January**, it became clear that the **delay** in producing the **executive drawings for CYGNO04** was unrecoverable by relying solely on the forces available to LNF's Design Dervice

We therefore asked the **LNGS Design Service** for support: merging and sharing their resources with LNF's one can be the **opportunity to finalise the work** done so far in a reasonable time interval;

In order to reach this aim, the proposal issued by the LNGS+LNF Design Services is the creation of a **task force** including:

- **a designer from both the Labs** (Alessandro Lalli - LNGS and Antonio Croce - LNF)

- with the **supervision of the two heads of the Services** (Donato Orlandi - LNGS and Cesidio Capoccia - LNF, head of the service)

- having as **direct link to CYGNO** Collaboration the **Technical Coordinator** (**Davide Fiorina** since November after Giovanni Mazzitelli resigned in April) supported by Davide Pinci as CYGNO spokesperson;

CYGNO current financial plan

The new situation had very negligible effects on the financial plans:

- A total of **490 k€** are expected to being funded by INFN for the quinquennium 2023-2027 (**515 k€** foreseen in the **TDR)**

- In particular **305 k€** foreseen by INFN in 25-27;

- A total of **1099 k€** are expected to being funded by ERC for the quinquennium 2023-2027 (**1068 k€** foreseen in the **TDR)**

Financial plan for INFN from the 2024 Progress Report

INFN - CSN2	2025	2026	2027
Gas Bottles	16	20	10
Gas Recovery	15	20	10
Consumables	25	10	20
Optics and DAQ	50	0	0
Tot w/o Travels (k€)	106	50	40
Travels - Shift	14	20	10
Travels - Installation	25	10	30
Tot Travels (k€)	39	30	40
Tot (k€)	**145**	**80**	**80**

Year	INITIUM/ERC	CYGNO/INFN
2019	20	54
2020	201	44
2021	71	96
2022	40	96
2023	164	93.5
2024	528	91.5
2025	75	145
2026	0	80
2027	0	80
Tot 23-27	767	490
Tot	**1099**	**780**

CYGNO04 Economic sustainability

Currently, from the ERC fundings, to cover the core costs of CYGNO04, there are a total of **304 k€** available at **INFN** and **GSSI**

Part of the equipment is being used and validated on LIME:

- high voltage system;
- gas system;
- DAQ and trigger;

According to the latest quotations received, the **other costs** expected for the **construction** of CYGNO04 is of **304 k€**, therefore an expense that can **be fully covered with ERC funds.**

Deadline for finalizing **purchases: August 2025**

The **total value** of **CYGNO04** is of about **920 k€.**

		Unit cost	Needed Quantity	Total Cost	We Have	To Buy	Still To Spend	Still To Spend
GAS VOLUME	Cone and GEM holders	5	1	5	0	1	5	35
	Vessel	30	1	30	0	1	30	
READOUT	4-GEM Set	10	2	20	2	0	0	14
	Orca Quest	26	6	156	6	0	0	
	Camera mechanics	1	6	6	0	6	6	
	Lenses	2	6	12	2	4	8	
	PMT+Socket	1	16	16	16	0	0	
CATHODE	Frame+foil+feedthrough	17	1	17	0	1	17	17
FIELD CAGE	Field Cage	13	1	13	0	1	13	13
CALIBRATION SYSTEM	Kripton-Rubidium	6	1	6	0	1	6	8
	55-Fe system	2	1	2	0	1	2	
SHIELDING	4 ton Copper Elsasser	156	1	156	1	0	28	193
	copper precision machinering	10	1	10	0	1	10	
	Opera copper refurbishing	30	1	30	0	1	30	
	High Voltage feed through	10	1	10	0	1	10	
	Optical windows	10	1	10	0	1	10	
	water tanks	65	1	65	0	1	65	
	frame	20	1	20	0	1	20	
	polietilene	20	1	20	0	1	20	
GAS SYSTEM	gas system	85	1	85	1	0	0	0
	filters	1	8	8	8	0	0	
HV SYSTEM	GEM-HV	5	1	5	1	0	0	0
	PMT-HV	3	2	6	2	0	0	
	Cathode HV	5	1	5	1	0	0	
DAQ & SLOW CONTROLS	modules	45.5	1	45.5	1	0	0	0
COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEM	filters and pipes	5	1	5	0	1	5	5
ELECTRIC SERVICES	power distribution system	10	1	10	1	0	0	0
	cables & connectors	5	1	5	1	0	0	
	UPS	5	1	5	1	0	0	
NETWORK DISTRIBUTION	network distribution system	13	1	13	1	0	0	0
COOLING and CONDITIONING	Conditioning	20	1	20	1	0	0	4
	Cameras chiller	5	1	5	1	0	0	
	PMTs flow system	2	1	2	0	1	2	
	Cables & connectors	2	1	2	0	1	2	
SAFETY (PRA-VIA)	pra+vinca	6	1	6	1	0	0	0
	fire detection	10	1	10	1	0	0	
	gas monitor	15	1	15	1	0	0	
	safety design	10	1	10	1	0	0	
CIVIL WORK	total	40	1	40	1	0	0	0
DESIGN AND DOCUMENTATION	software	5	1	5	0	1	5	15
	final audit	10	1	10	0	1	10	
			Gran Total	921.5			304	304

Component Validation - Copper Shield

Copper analysis with ICPMS

- They used the described procedure to clean it and measured the U and Th content

	Etching 2	Etching 3
	[pg * g^{-1}]	[pg * g^{-1}]
Th	9 ± 3	7 ± 2
U	5 ± 2	2 ± 1

- These were the Matthias results

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radionuclide concentrations:

Th-232:
Ra-228:        < 0.38 mBq/kg          <==>    < 9.3 E-11 g/g
Th-228:        < 0.20 mBq/kg          <==>    < 4.9 E-11 g/g

U-238:
Ra-226         < 0.44 mBq/kg          <==>    < 3.5 E-11 g/g
Th-234         < 17 mBq/kg            <==>    < 9.3 E-10 g/g
Pa-234m        < 11 mBq/kg            <==>    < 6.5 E-10 g/g

U-235:         < 0.37 mBq/kg          <==>    < 6.5 E-10 g/g

K-40:          < 3.2 mBq/kg           <==>    < 1.0 E-7 g/g

Cs-137:        < 0.14 mBq/kg

Co-60:         < 0.12 mBq/kg

Co-58:         (0.8 +- 0.1) mBq/kg

Mn-54:         (0.12 +- 0.05) mBq/kg
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^{58}Co has an half life of 70 days
^{54}Mn has an half life of 1 year

	October
Layer_0 (1-20 keV) [evts/yr]	14655 ± 347
Layer_1 (1-20 keV) [evts/yr]	4518 ± 176
Layer_2 (1-20 keV) [evts/yr]	10588 ± 2671
TOTAL	**29761 ± 2700**

Significant **improvement** thanks to ICP-MS measurement of Schrieber's copper

Huge statistics required to see first effects of Bi210 in OPERA's copper
→ **more storage space needed**

In light of the updated results, the most viable option is still
4 cm clean copper + 6 cm OPERA

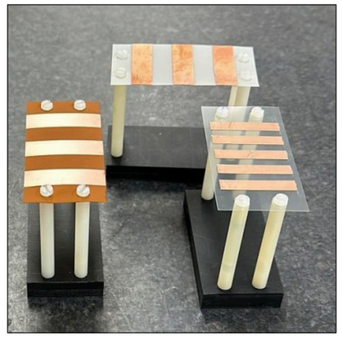
Upper limits on U and Th obtained with Germanium detector, 10 times larger than actual values

Field Cage and **GEM** foils are now on queue for the ICPMS measurements

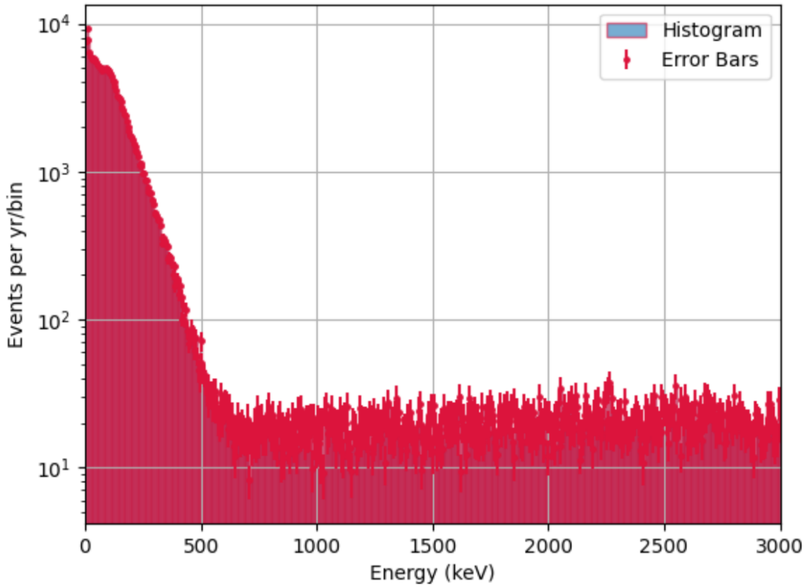
Component Validation - Field Cage

Field Cage Foils

- Three different field cage foils:
  - **PET+Cu with glue**: a polyethylene foil with Cu strips glued by spreading the adhesive over the entire foil
  - **PET+Cu with no glue**: a polyethylene foil with Cu strips glued by applying the adhesive only between the strips and the foil
  - **Kapton+Cu:** a kapton foil with Cu strips
- The foils were measured at LNGS



Sample Name	in measure	measured	analysed
FC-kapton+Cu	no	yes	yes
FC-PET+Cu	no	yes	yes
FC-PET+Cu no glue	no	yes	yes
nylon6	no	yes	on-going
GEM foil	no	yes	on-going
nylon screws	no	yes	on-going
steel screws	no	yes	on-going
SMD resistors	no	yes	on-going
CMOS camera	no	yes	yes
PMMA	yes	no	no



In the low energy range (1-20 keV):

- **(1.56 ± 0.01) 10^5** evt/year;
- **(1.20 ± 0.08) 10^3** NR evt/year;

Papers in last year

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Abstract

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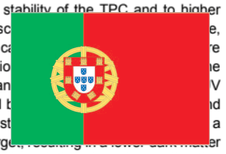

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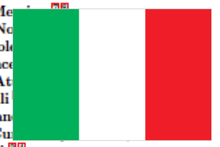

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WP1	**Physics**																		
1.1	solar neutrino sensitivity													M.1.1					
1.2	dark matter sensitivity													M.1.2					
1.3	physical parameters PHASE 2																	D1.1	
WP2	**Data Analysis**																		
2.1	reconstruc/background v0									M2.1									
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2.3	detector analisys PHASE 1																	D2.1	
WP3	**Detector Simulation**																		
3.1	valdete PHASE 0 results						M3.1												
3.2	Montecarlo for PHASE 1									M3.2									
3.3	estimation for PHASE 2																	D3.1	
WP4	**Detector Design and Construction**																		
4.1	executive layout infrastructure				M4.1														
4.2	executive layout of the detector						M4.2												
4.3	procurements of components								M4.3										
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4.5	install detector									D4.2									
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WP5	**Auxiliary Services**																		
5.1	validating gas system				D5.1														
5.2	validating DAQ v0						M5.1												
5.3	validating DAQ v1									D5.2									
WP6	**Research and Development**																		
6.1	validating large GEM						M6.1												
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6.3	validating field cage component							D6.1											
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