The background image shows a massive concrete dam with a blue water reservoir in a green, hilly landscape. In the foreground, there's a large wooden structure, possibly a tunnel entrance or a scientific facility, with pipes leading away from it.

# Underground laboratories & science projects in Korea

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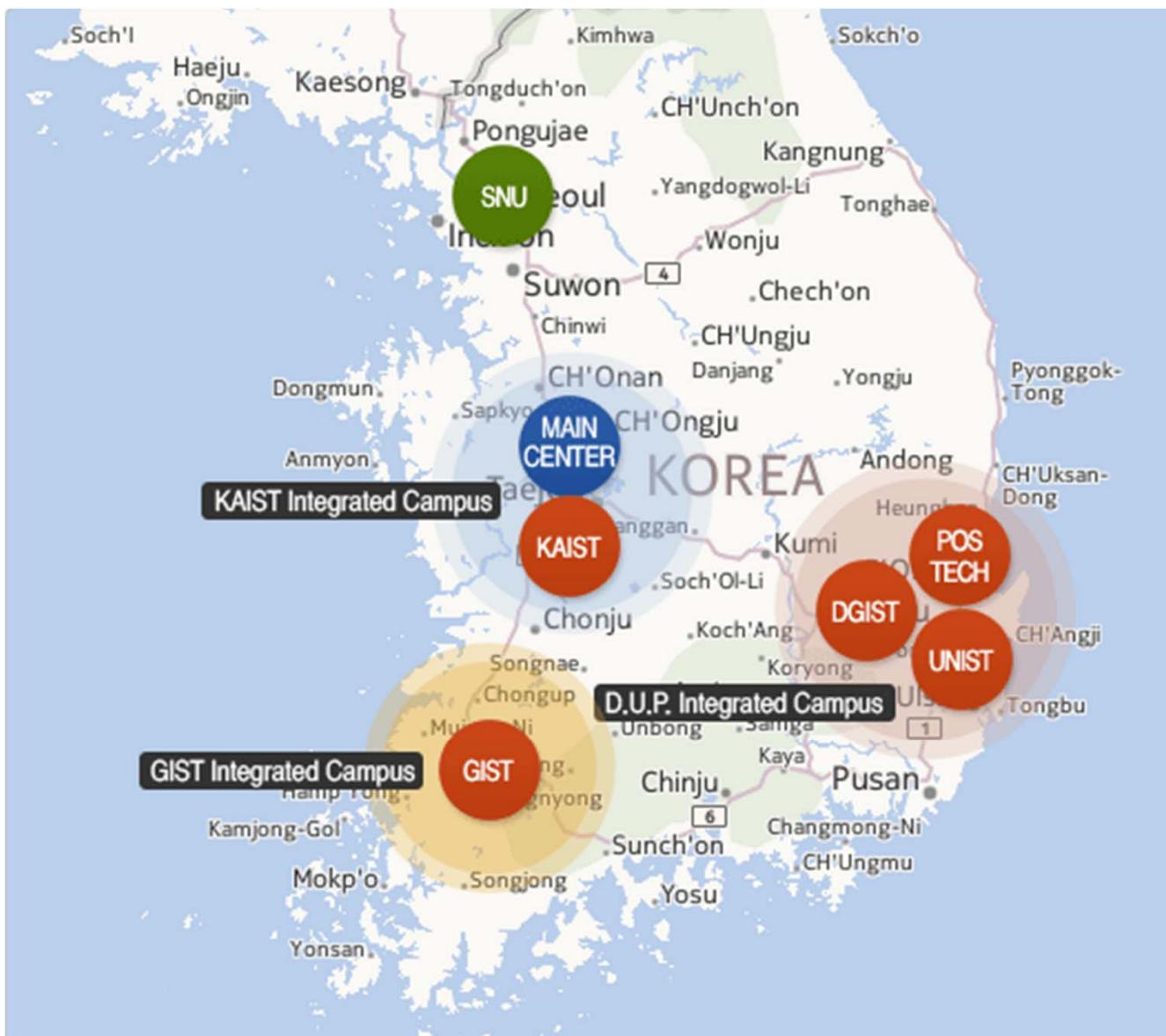
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# Outline

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1. Introduction to CUP at IBS
2. Underground Labs
3. Dark Matter Search Project - KIMS
4. Double Beta Decay Project – AMoRE

# Institute of Basic Science (IBS)



● Headquarters ● Campus Research Centers ● Extramural Research Centers

Benchmarked RIKEN  
& MAX-PLANK  
Institute.

Heavy-ion accelerator  
facility & IBS research  
centers

# Center for Underground Physics (CUP)

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- CUP began on July 2013
- Now, 17 Ph.Ds, 15 students, 3 technicians, 2 administrations.
- Director : Yeongduk Kim
- Group Leaders : Hong Joo Kim, Yong-Hamb Kim
- Research Area : Dark Matter, Double Beta Decay, Underground Nuclear Astrophysics, Sterile neutrino search at reactor, Low temperature Detector Development etc.
- Major Projects: 1. **KIMS (ongoing dark matter search)**  
2. **AMoRE (planed  $0\nu\beta\beta$  search)**

# YangYang(Y2L) Underground Laboratory

(Upper Dam)

YangYang Pumped  
Storage Power Plant



1000m



700m

(Power Plant)



양양양수발전소

KIMS (Dark Matter Search)

AMoRE (Double Beta Decay Experiment)

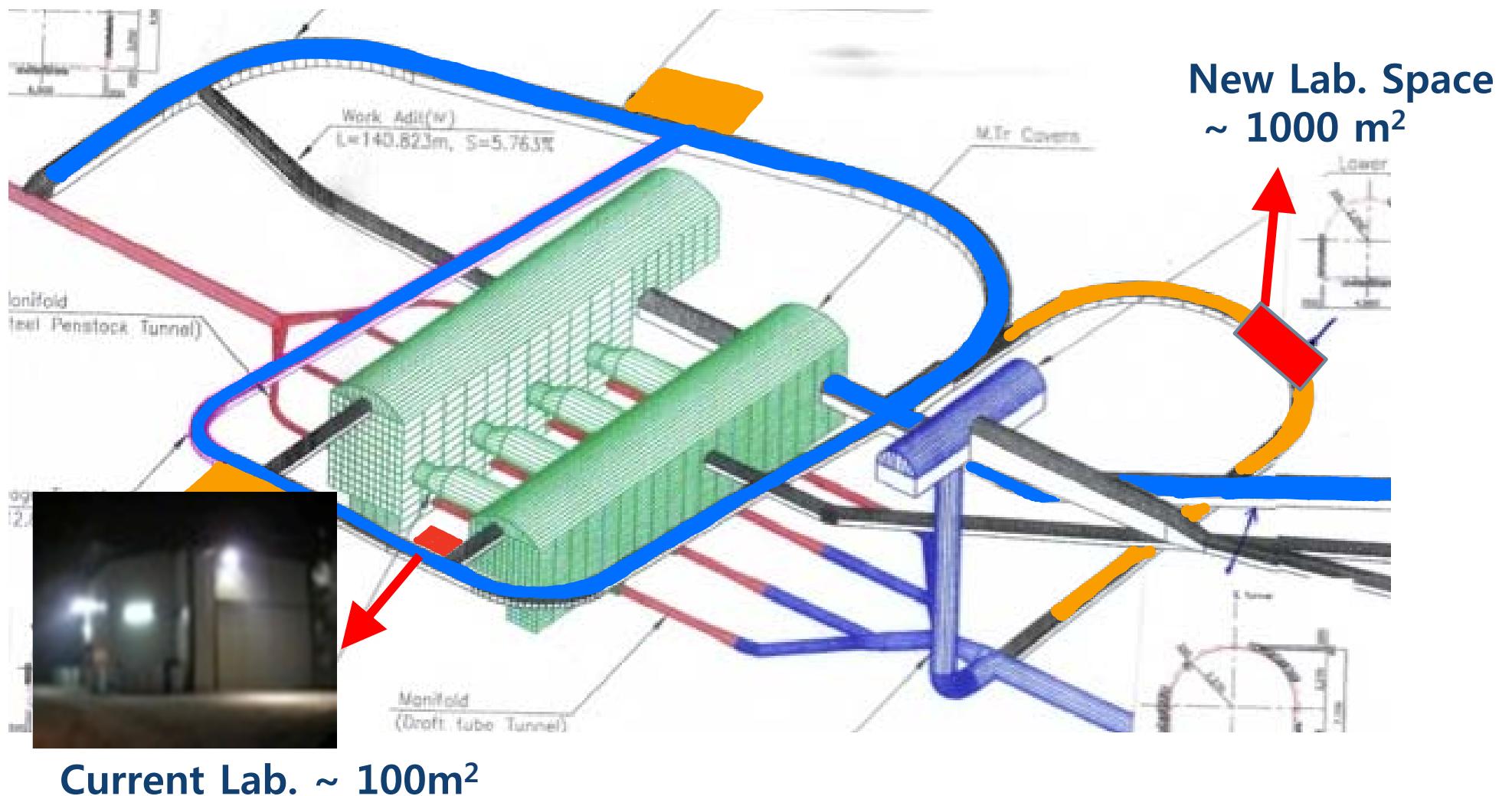
Minimum depth : 700 m / Access to the lab by car (~2km)



(Lower Dam)

# Lab space in Y2L

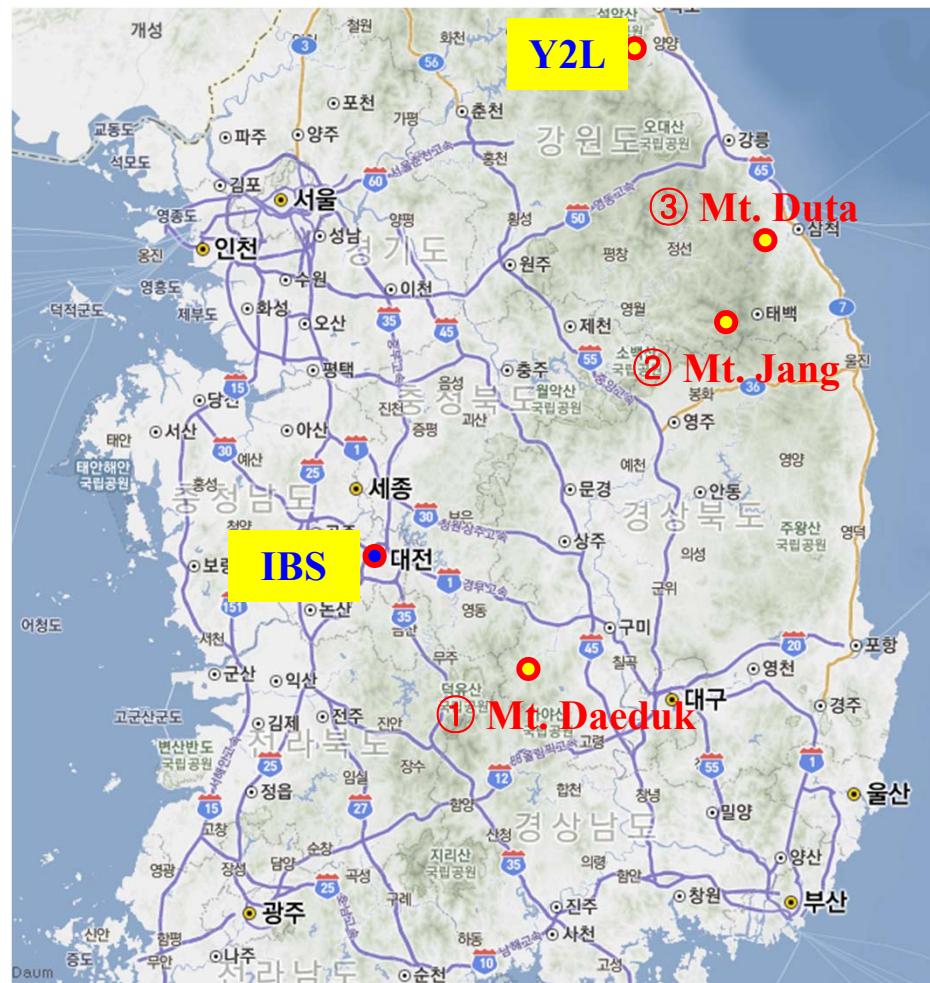
New lab space will be ready by early 2014 at the unused tunnel



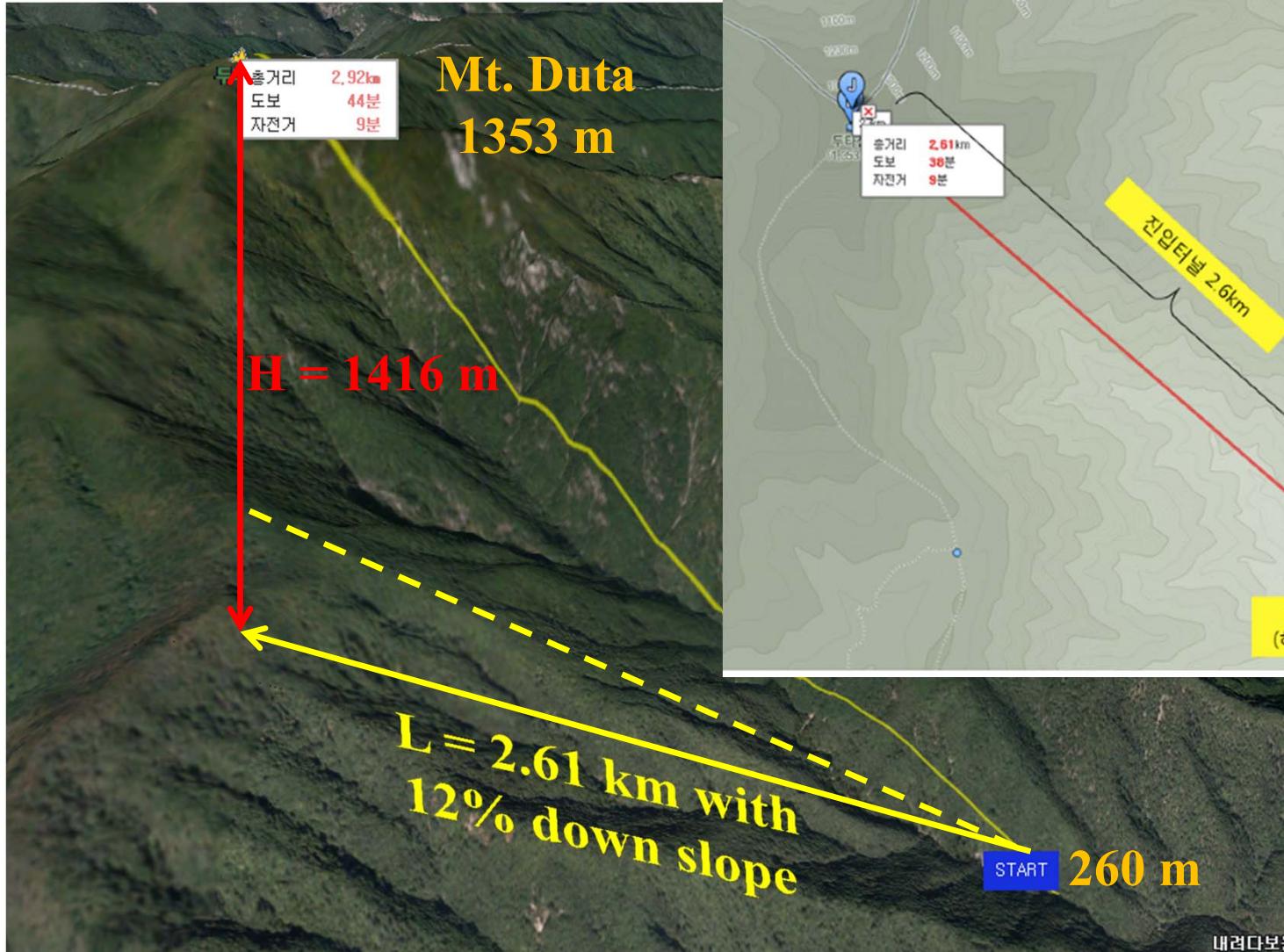
# Can we go deeper?

final 3 candidates

No.	Mt.	Location	L of Tunnel (m)	overburden (m)	from IBS (km)	from Y2L (km)
1	Daeduk	Gimcheon, Kyungbuk	2400	1088	110	413
2	Jang	Yeongwol, Gangwon	1730	1066.6	230	167
3	Duta	Samcheok, Gangwon	2610	<b>1416.2</b>	330	117



# Possible 1400m deep Underground Lab



New underground lab for CUP in Duta by 2016  
**CUPID !**



# KIMS

(Korea Invisible Mass Search)

# Advantages of CsI(Tl) for WIMP Search

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Easy to get large mass with an affordable cost

→ Good for AM study

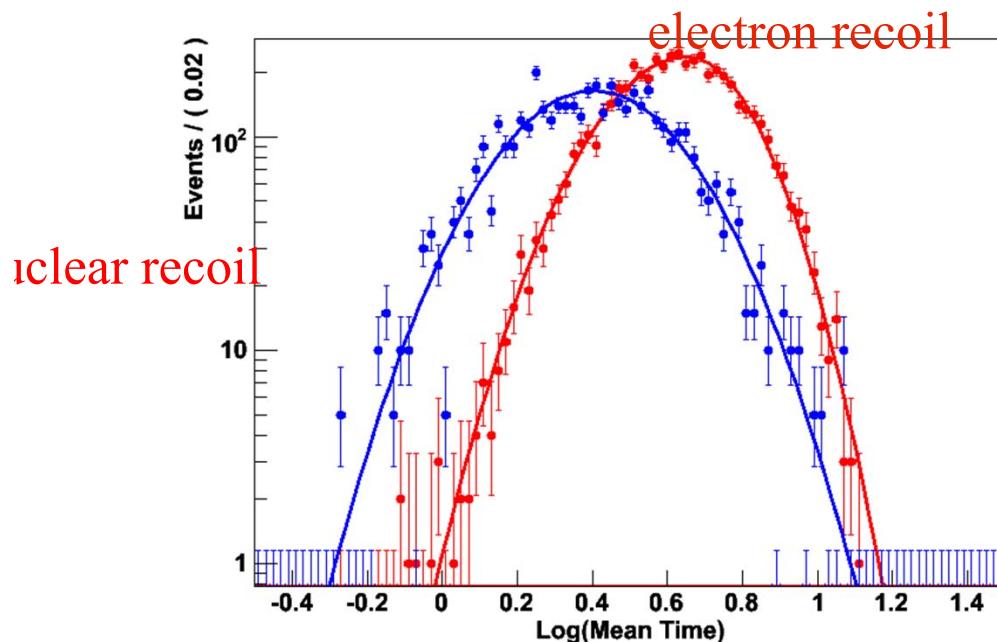
High light yield  $\sim 60,000/\text{MeV}$

Pulse shape discrimination

→ Moderate background rejection

Cs-133, I-127 (SI cross section  $\sim A^2$ )

Both Cs-133, I-127 are sensitive to SD interaction

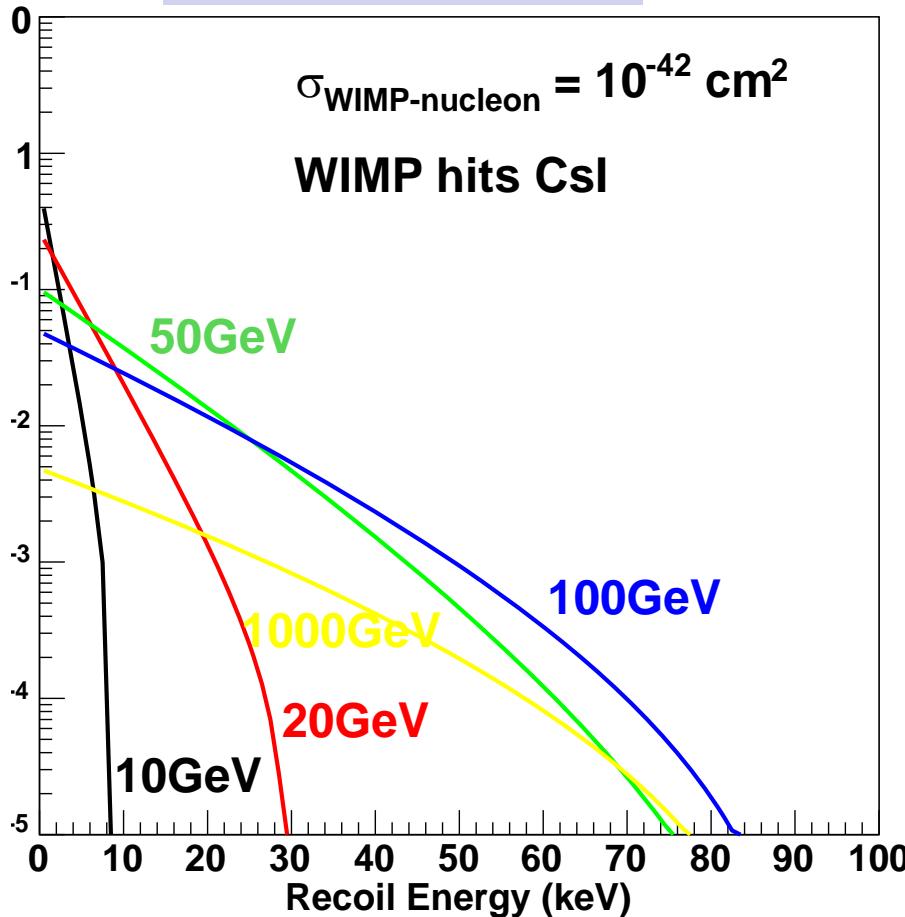


Isotope	J	Abun	$\langle \text{Sp} \rangle$	$\langle \text{Sn} \rangle$
$^{133}\text{Cs}$	7/2	100%	-0.370	0.003
$^{127}\text{I}$	5/2	100%	0.309	0.075
$^{73}\text{Ge}$	9/2	7.8%	0.03	0.38
$^{129}\text{Xe}$	1/2	26%	0.028	0.359
$^{131}\text{Xe}$	3/2	21%	-0.009	-0.227

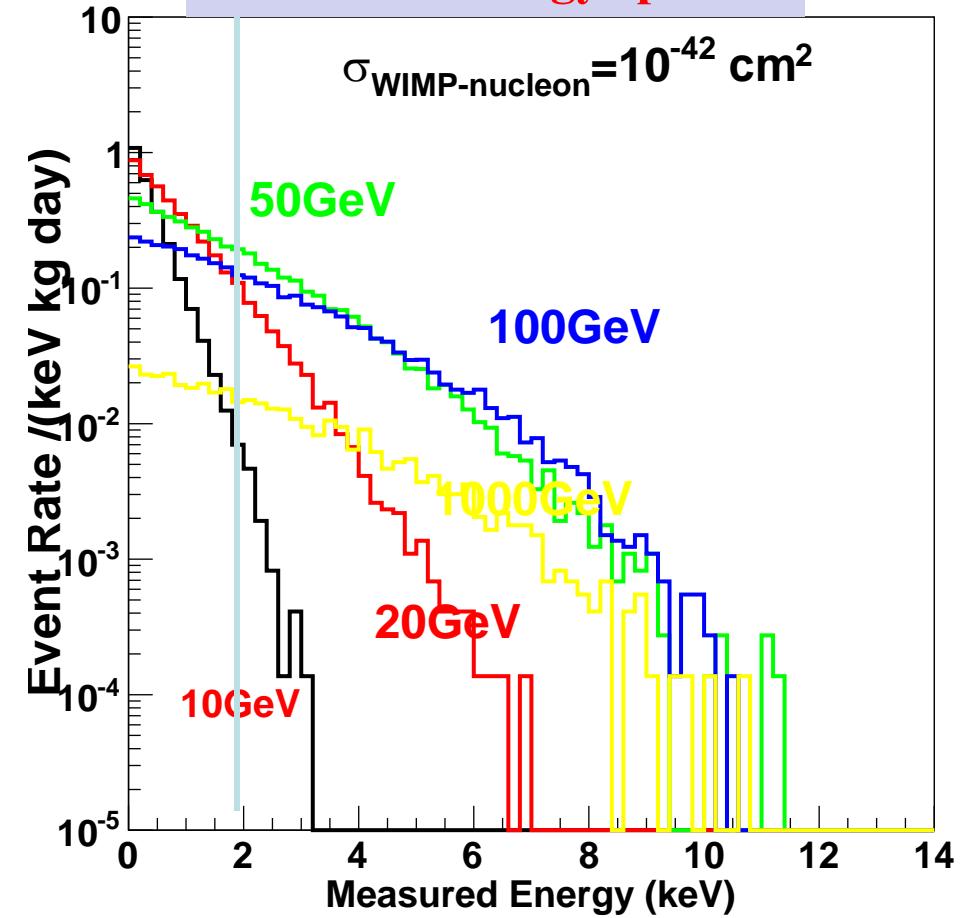
# Recoil Energy Spectra

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Recoil energy spectra



Measured energy spectra



a few tens of keV

a few keV

Quenching Effect, energy resolution are critical to compare experiments.

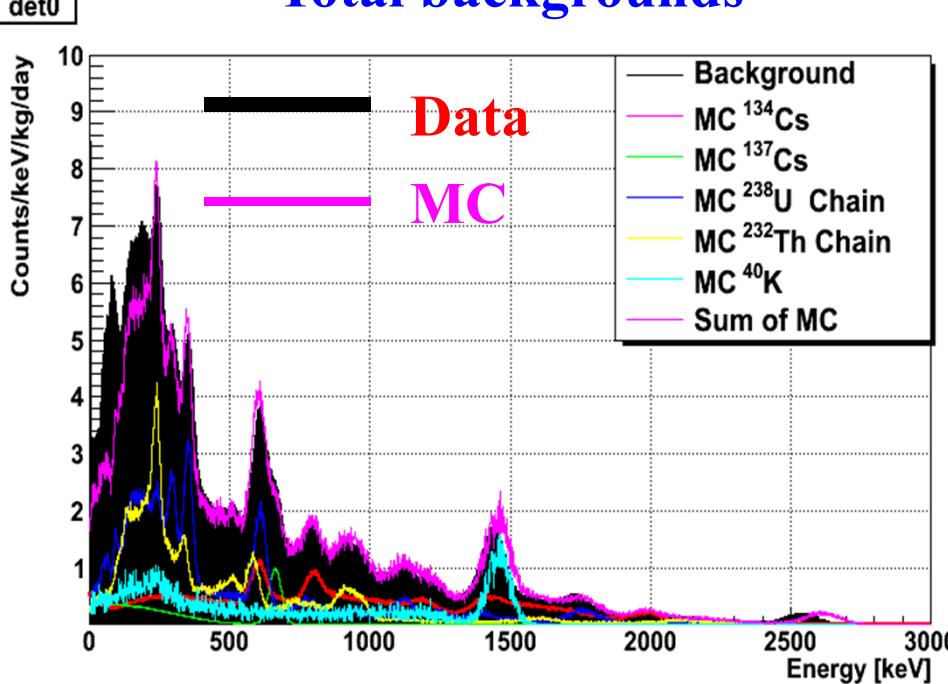
# Data with 12 crystals

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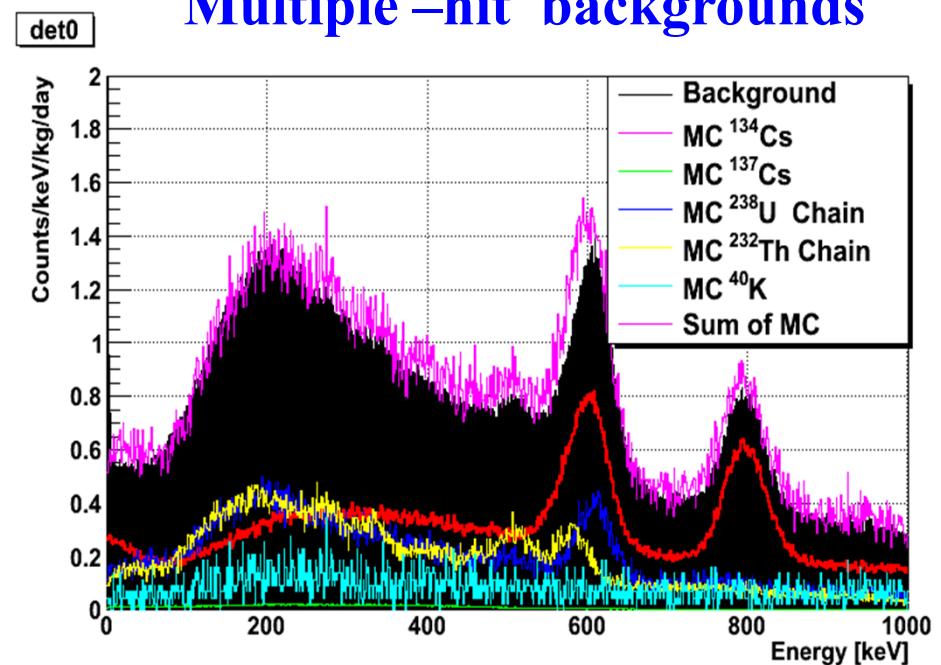


- 12 crystals (104.4kg) installed in the Cu shield.
  - 2.5 year data (Sep. 2009 – Feb. 2012)
  - Background Level : 2~3 cpd/kg/keV
  - Source calibration with  $^{55}\text{Fe}$  &  $^{241}\text{Am}$
- 1 year of data (Sep. 2009 – Aug. 2010) published with PSD analysis.
- Backgrounds are well understood.

Total backgrounds

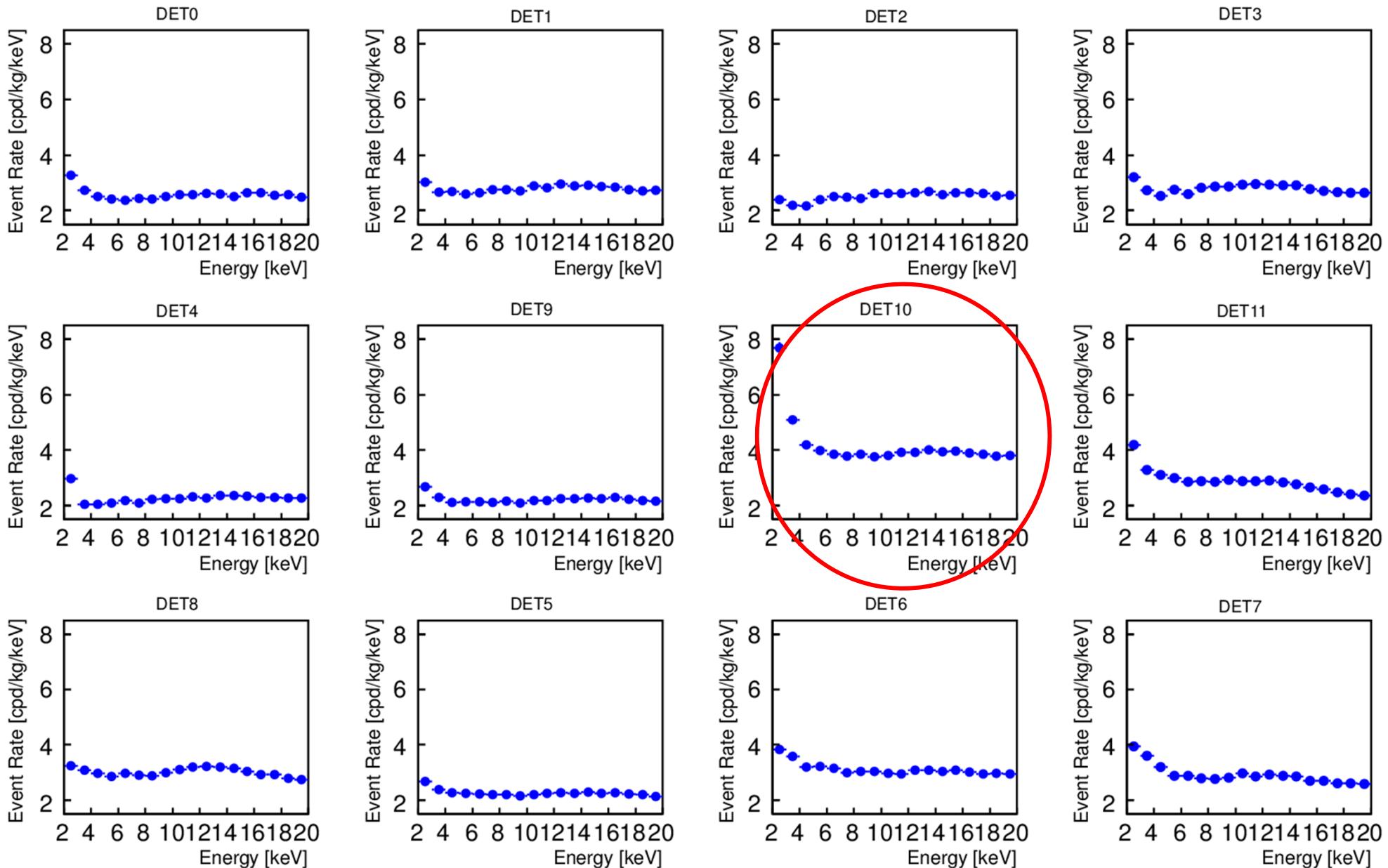


Multiple –hit backgrounds



# Energy spectra w/ efficiency correction

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Analysis was done by 11 detector except DET10 because of higher background rate

# 3-6 keV

$$R = A_{decay} e^{-\frac{t-t_0}{\tau}}$$

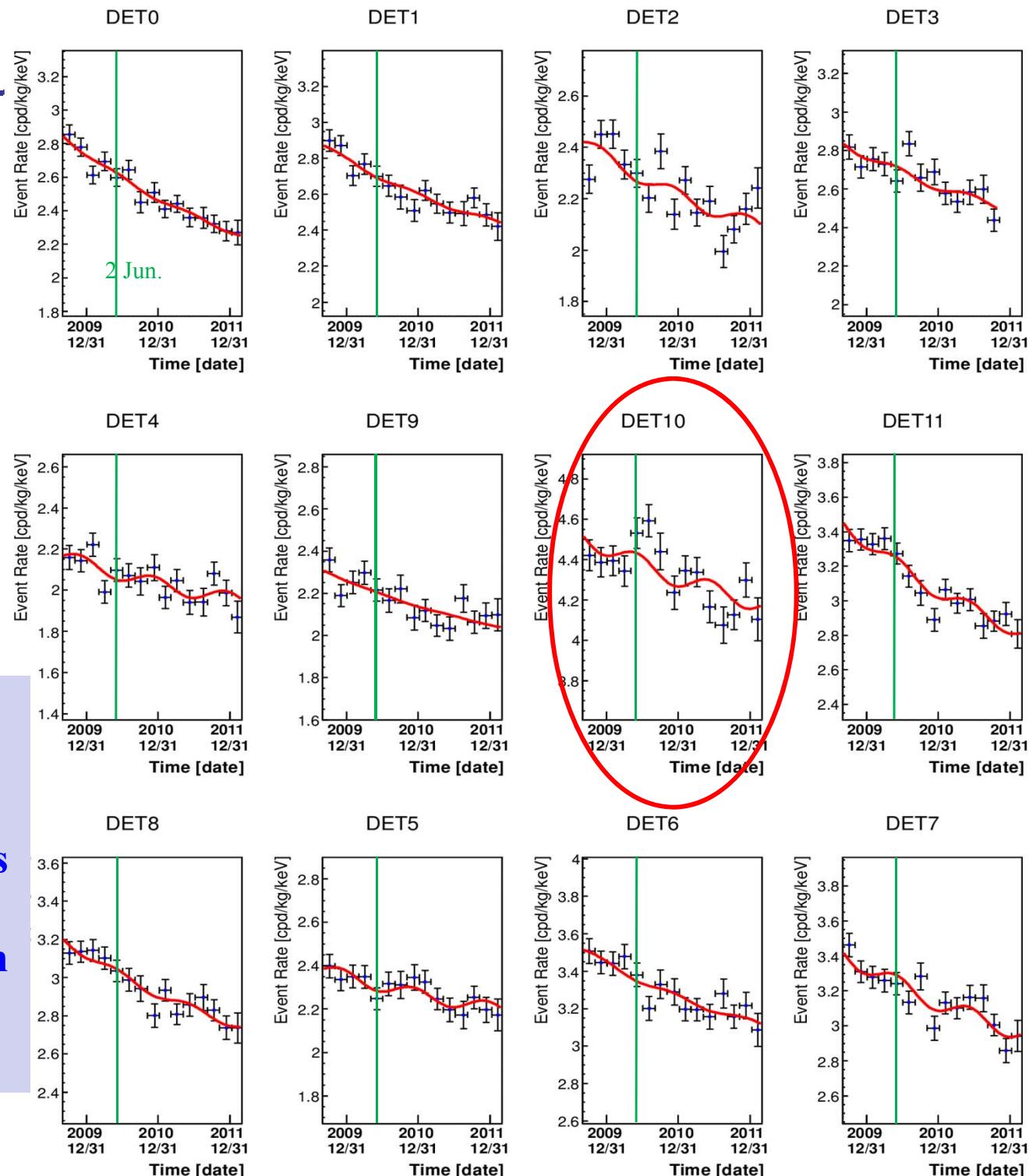
+ bkg

$$+ A \cos \frac{2\pi}{365} (t - t_{peak})$$

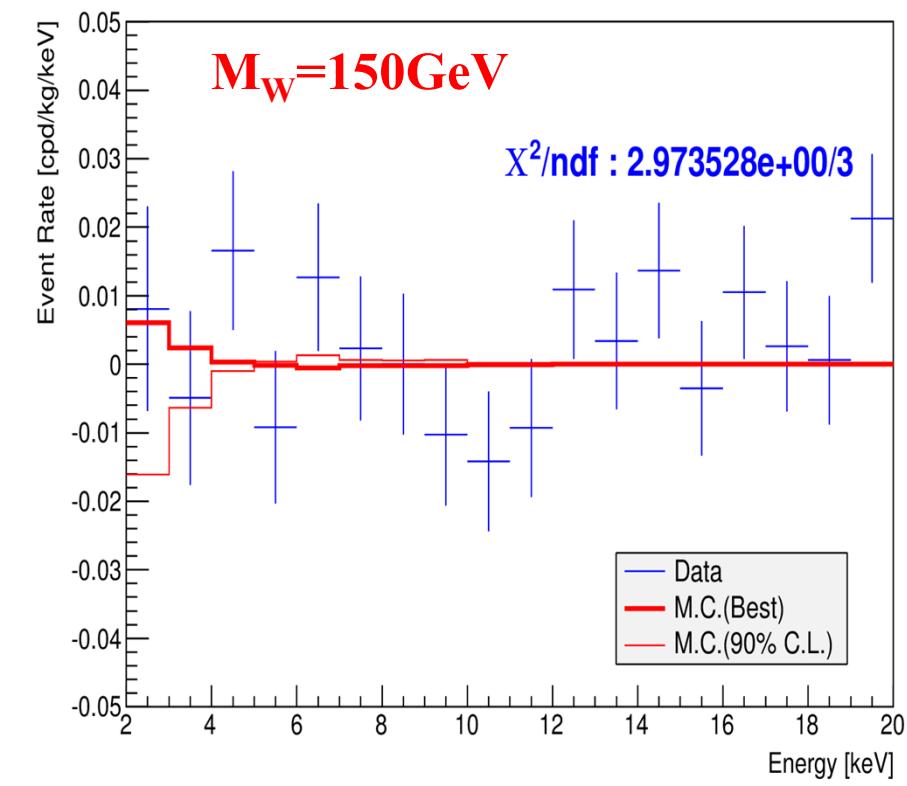
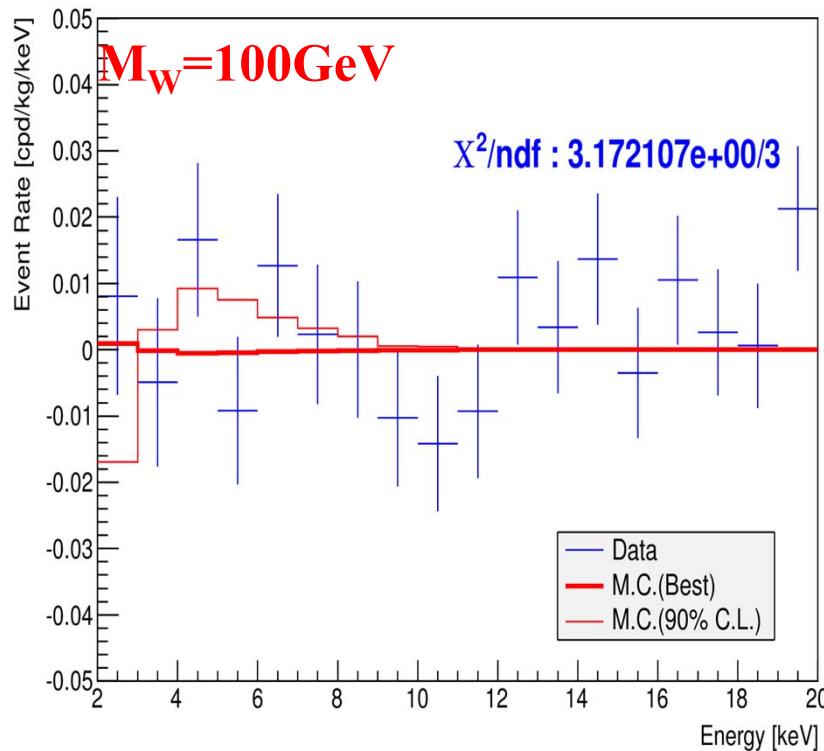
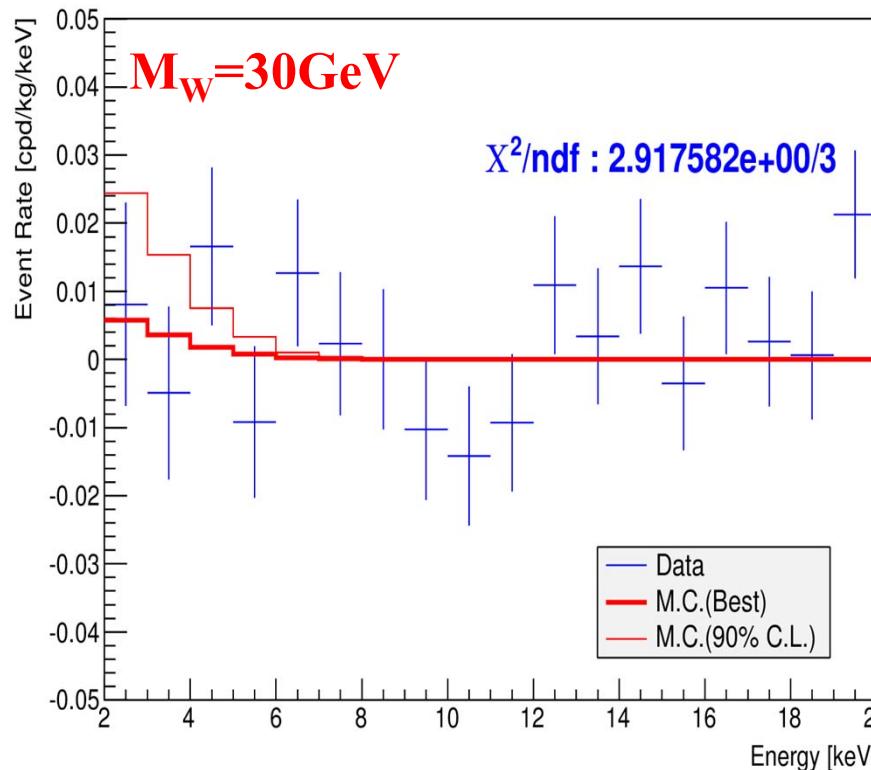
$$\tau = 2.980y,$$

$$t_{peak} = 153(\text{June 2})$$

- Annual modulation amplitude is obtained including the exponential decay of  $^{134}\text{Cs}$  for 2.5 years of data.
- The mean amplitude from 3 keV to 6 keV is  $0.0008 \pm 0.0068 \text{ cpd/kg/keV}$

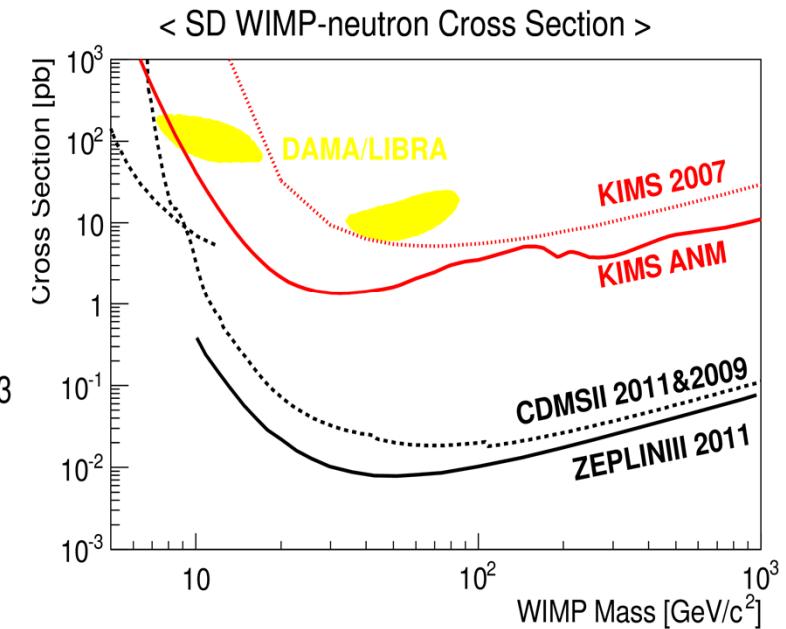
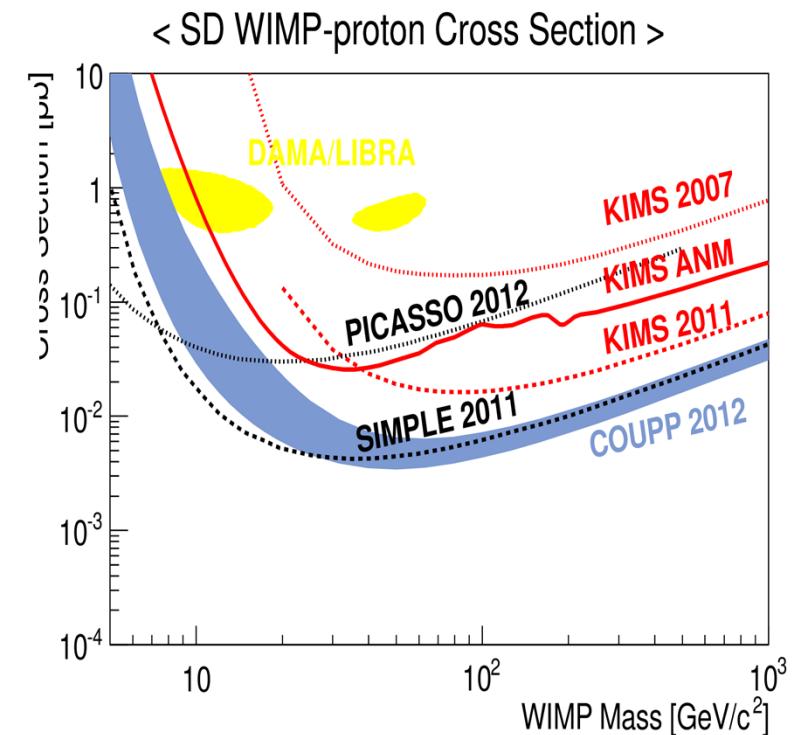
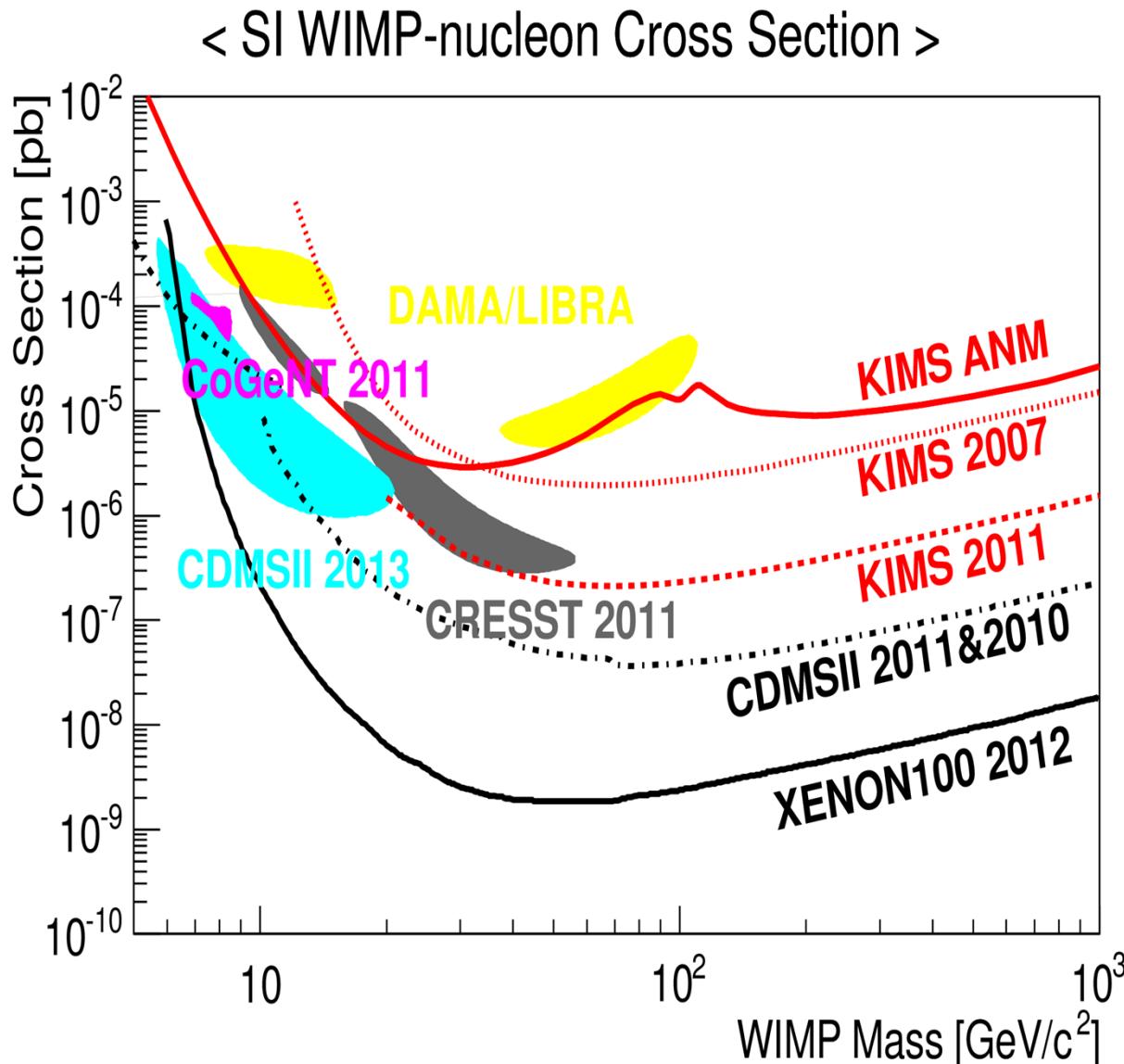


# M.C. Simulation & fitting



# Cross Section Limit

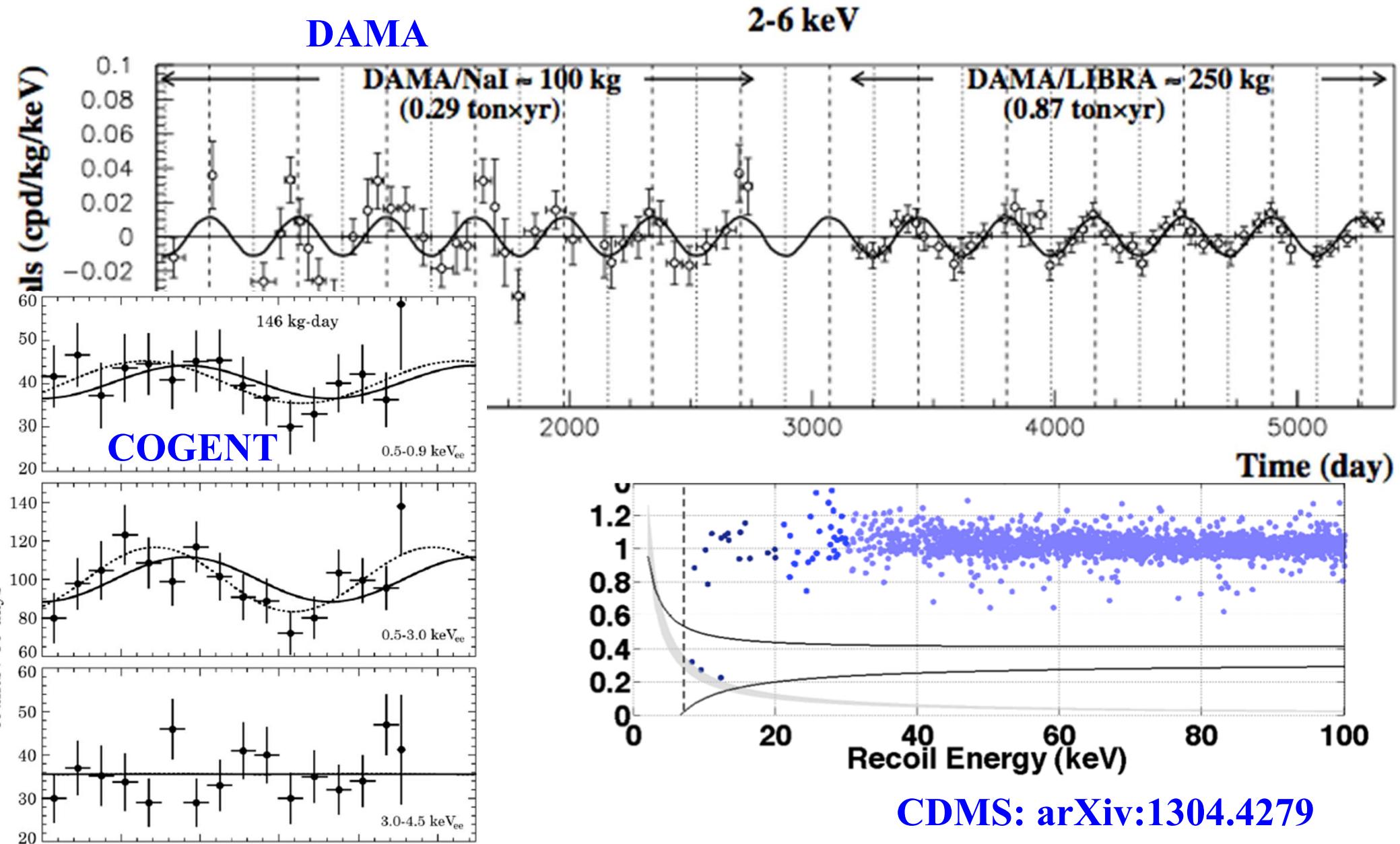
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# Dark Matter status

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Low mass WIMP signal vs null results from CDMS and XENON ?

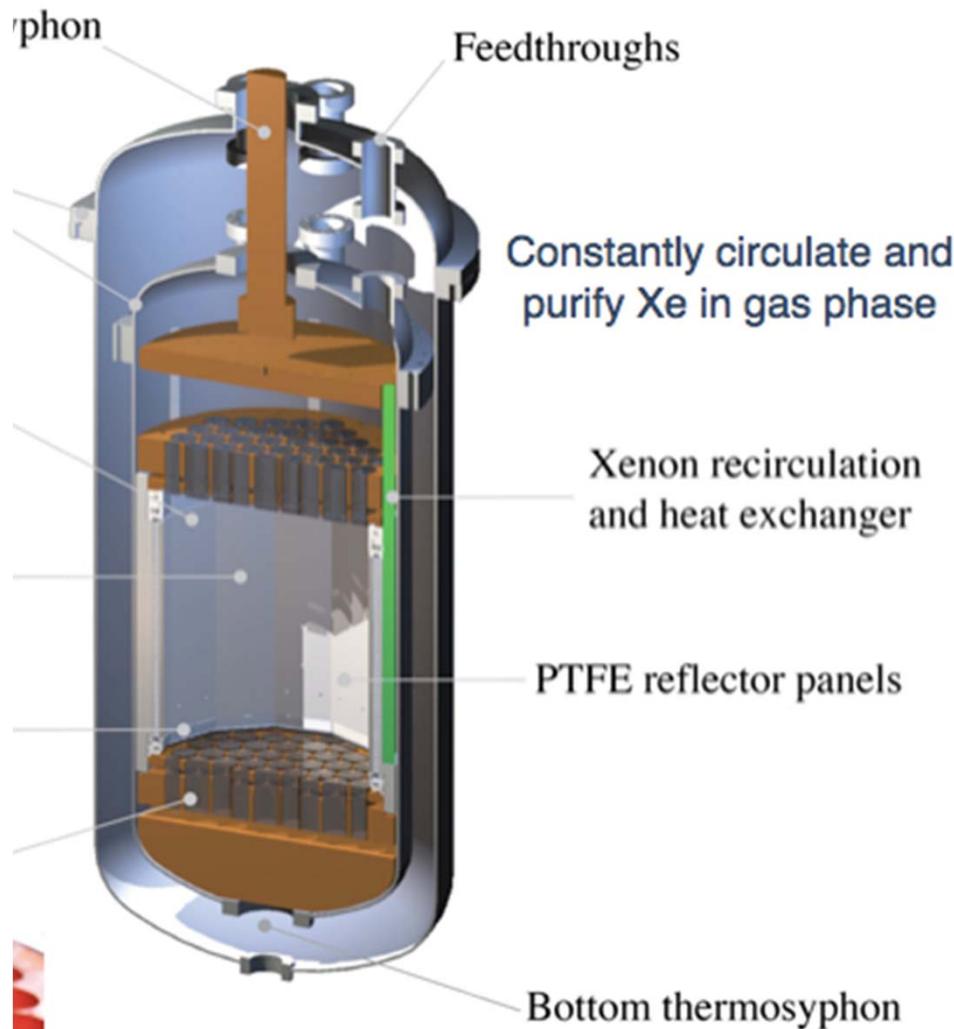


CDMS: arXiv:1304.4279

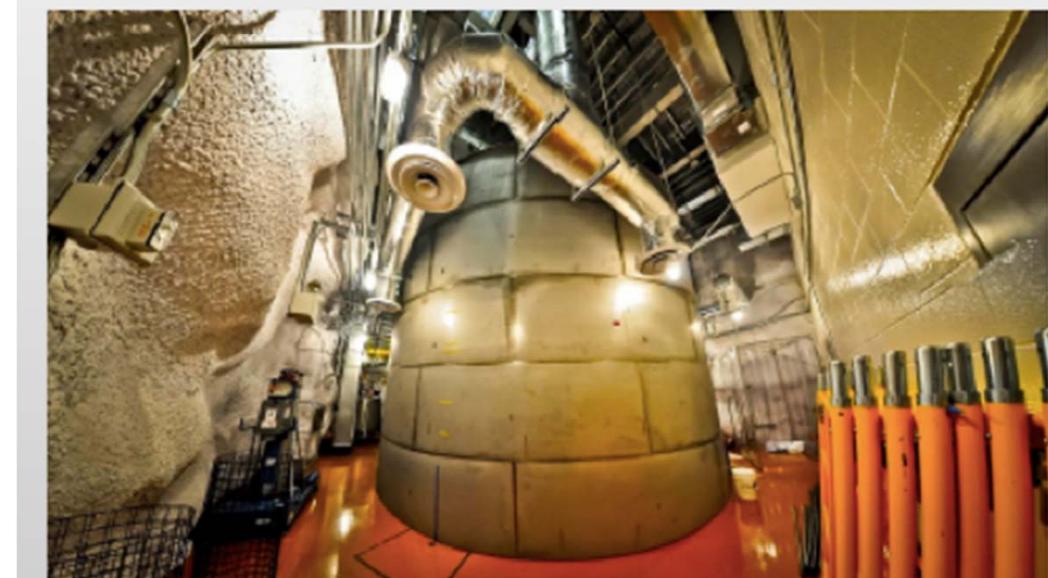
# LUX (Large Underground Xenon) experiment

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- Total 370kg LXe, D=47cm, H=48cm → 250 kg.
  - 118kg, 85.3 days run → 10065 kg days

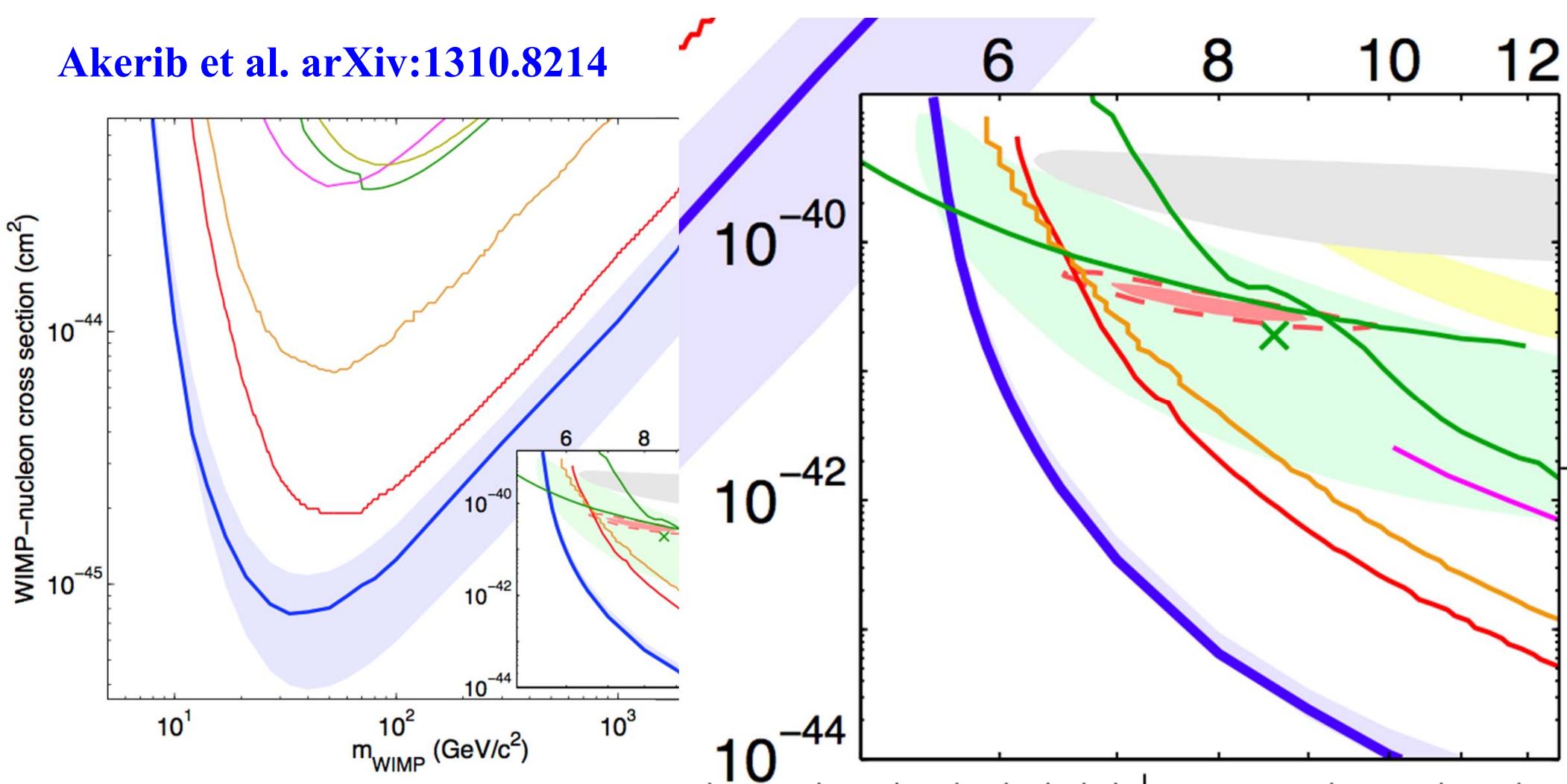


July 11-12, 2012, deployed in autumn of 2012



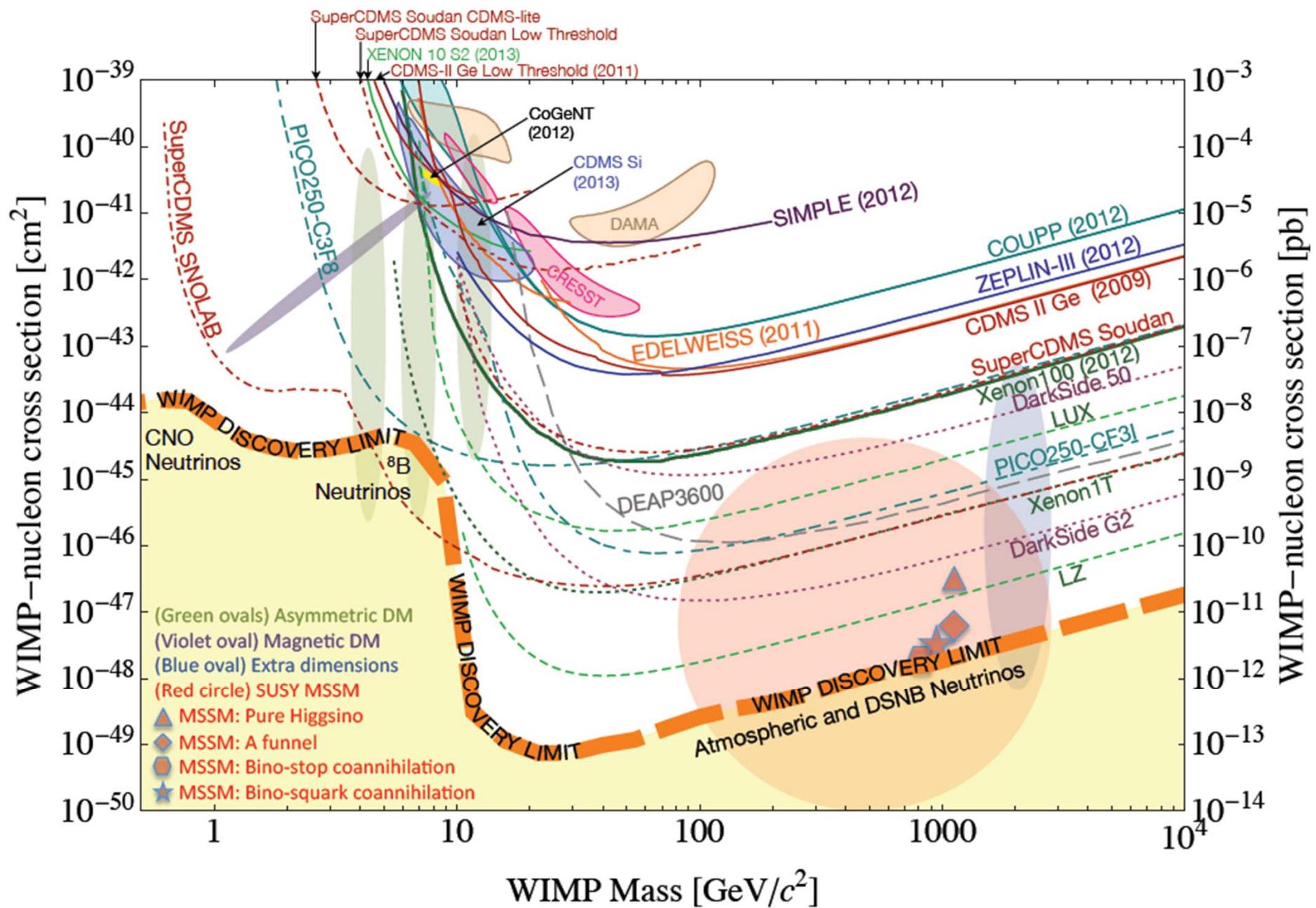
LUX contradicts all low mass claims !!

→ Does this mean all the low mass signals are rejected ?



# SNOWMASS projection for Dark Matter: next decade

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# KIMS+ Projects @ CUP

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## I. KIMS-CsI : Upgrade of CsI(Tl) crystal detector

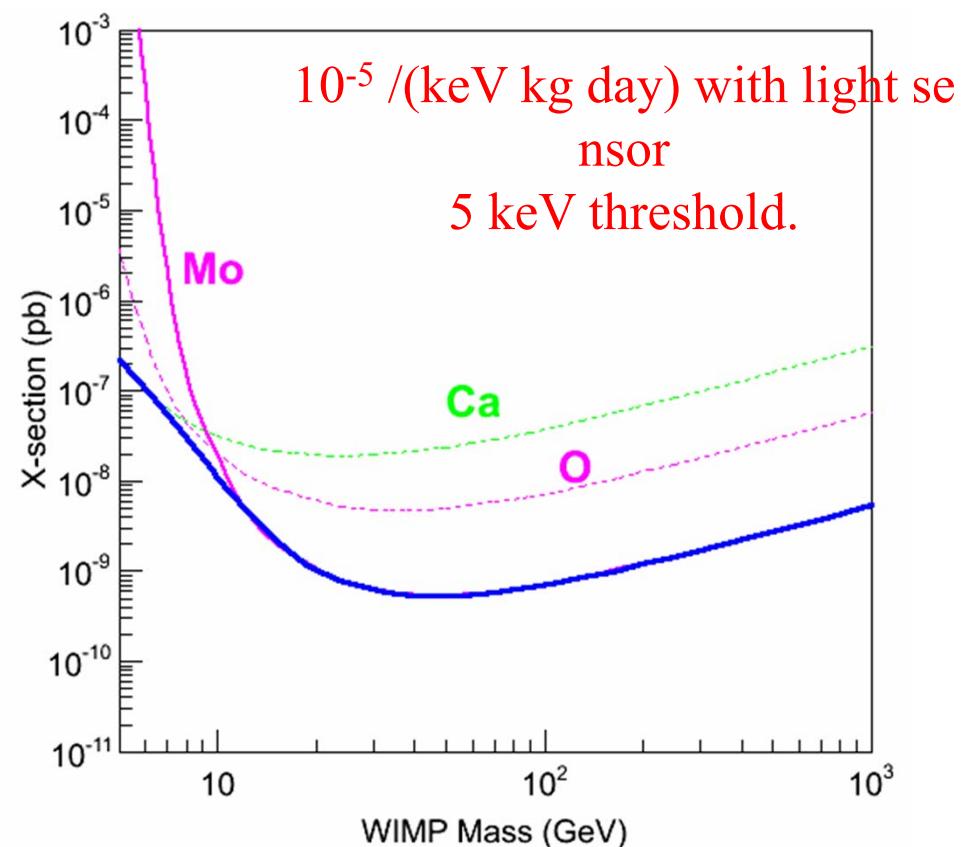
- Lower threshold  $\sim 1.5\text{keV}$ ,  $<1\text{dru}$ , counts/(keV kg day).
- This will help to clear issues about the modulation signals of DAMA.

## II. KIMS-NaI : new NaI(Tl) detector

- Duplicate DAMA experiment with ultra-low background NaI(Tl) crystals.
- 200kg run in 2015-2016

## III. KIMS-LT

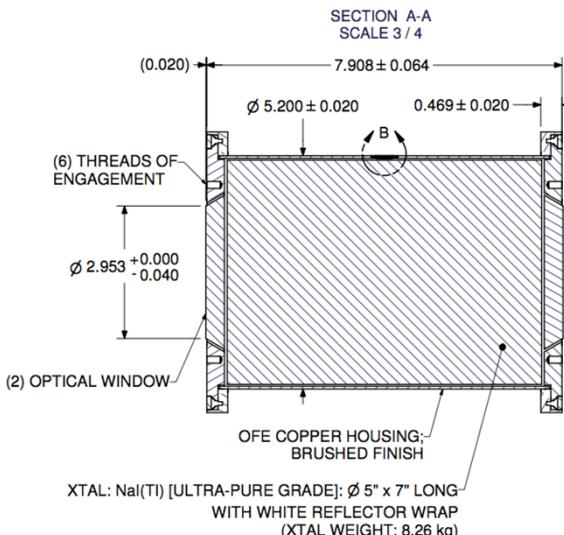
- ${}^{\text{nat}}\text{Ca}{}^{\text{nat}}\text{MoO}_4$  crystals  $\sim 200 \text{ kg year}$ .
- High sensitivity in low mass WIMP.
- 2019-2022



## NaI(Tl) detector R&D

- New low-K NaI crystal is under R&D (ANAIS, DM-ICE, KIMS-NaI, SABRE).
- Alpha Spectra (AS) crystal to KIMS - now installed.
- BH will grow 5 crystals with Sigma-Aldrich powder.
- SICCAS is beginning to grow NaI crystals.

### Powder Measurements



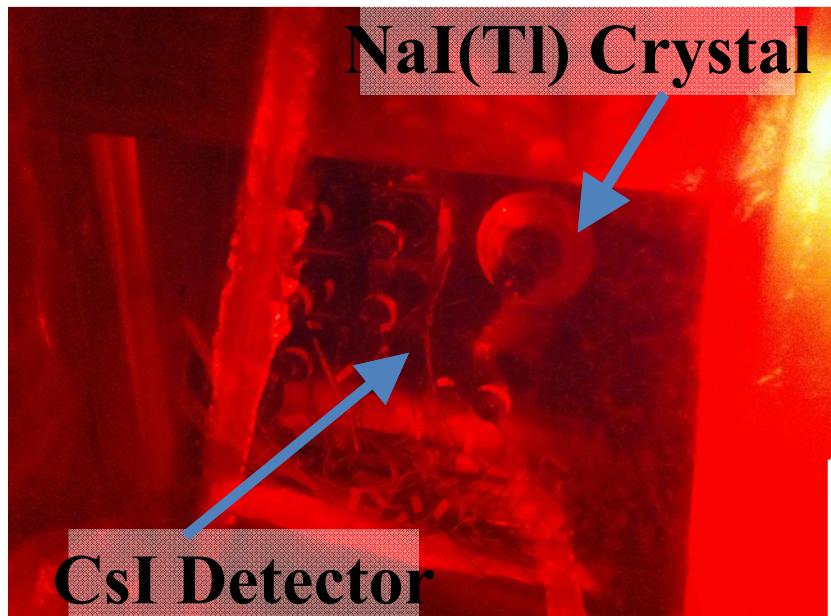
Crystal delivered to KIMS

Samples	Measurements	<sup>nat</sup> K (ppb)
Sigma Aldrich - crystal grade	HPGe(KIMS)	<266
Sigma Aldrich - Astro grade	HPGe(KIMS)	<183
Alpha Spectra, C	HPGe(KIMS)	<262
Sigma Aldrich – Astro grade	HPGe(DM-ICE)	<126
Sigma Aldrich – Astro grade	ICP-MS (SA)	~4

It's difficult to reach 10 ppb level measurements with powder !  
Current plan is to grow crystals and measure K.

# KIMS-NaI Experiment

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$13.3 \pm 0.3$

photoelectrons /keV

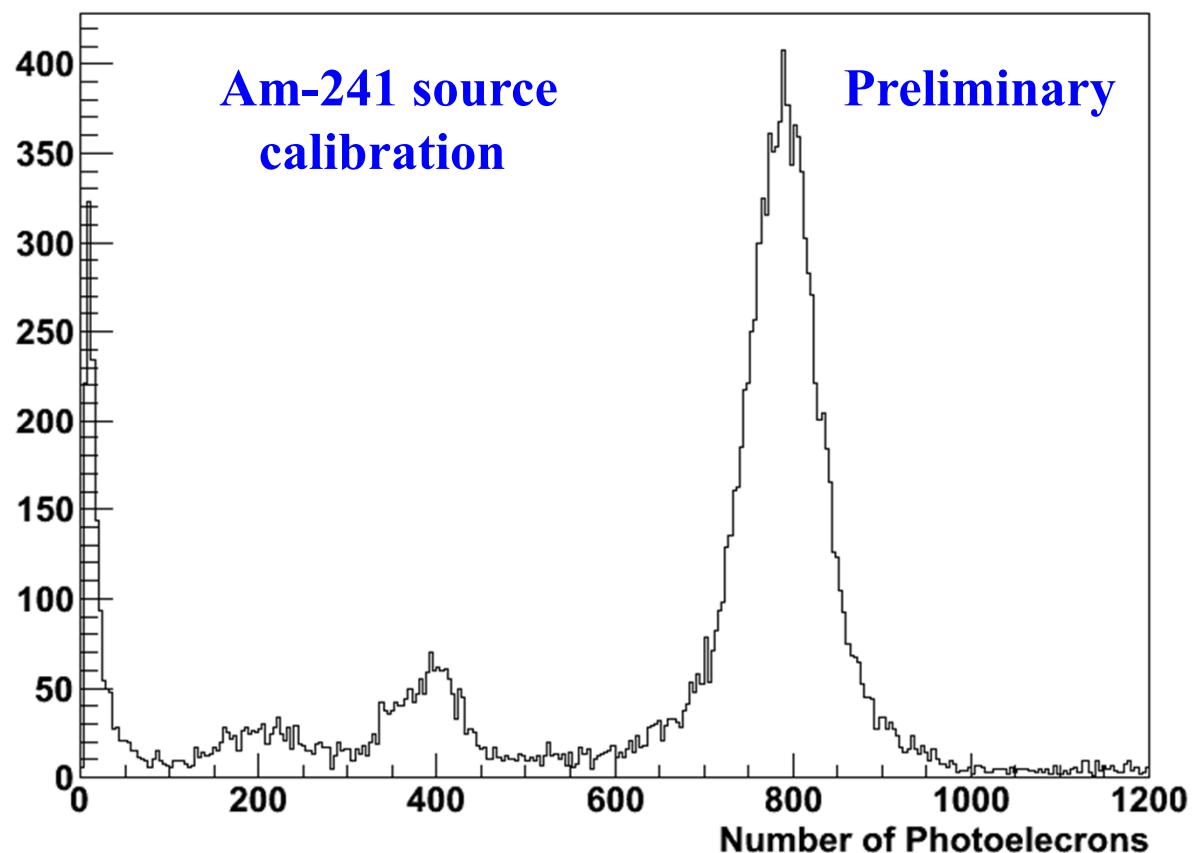
Cf. DAMA/LIBRA

6-10 photoelectrons/keV

DAMA  $\sim 1$  dru

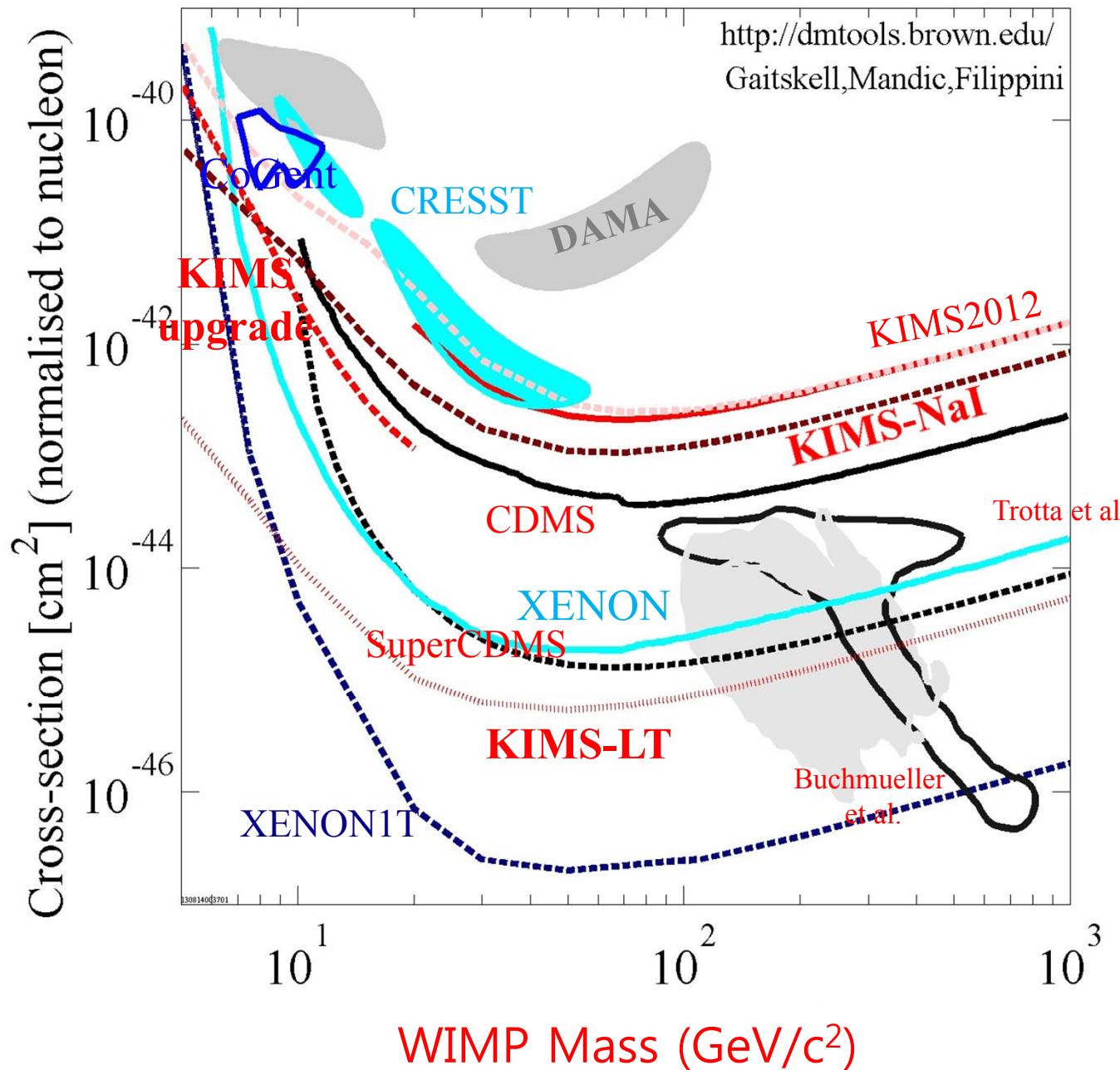
Purification  $\rightarrow <1$  dru

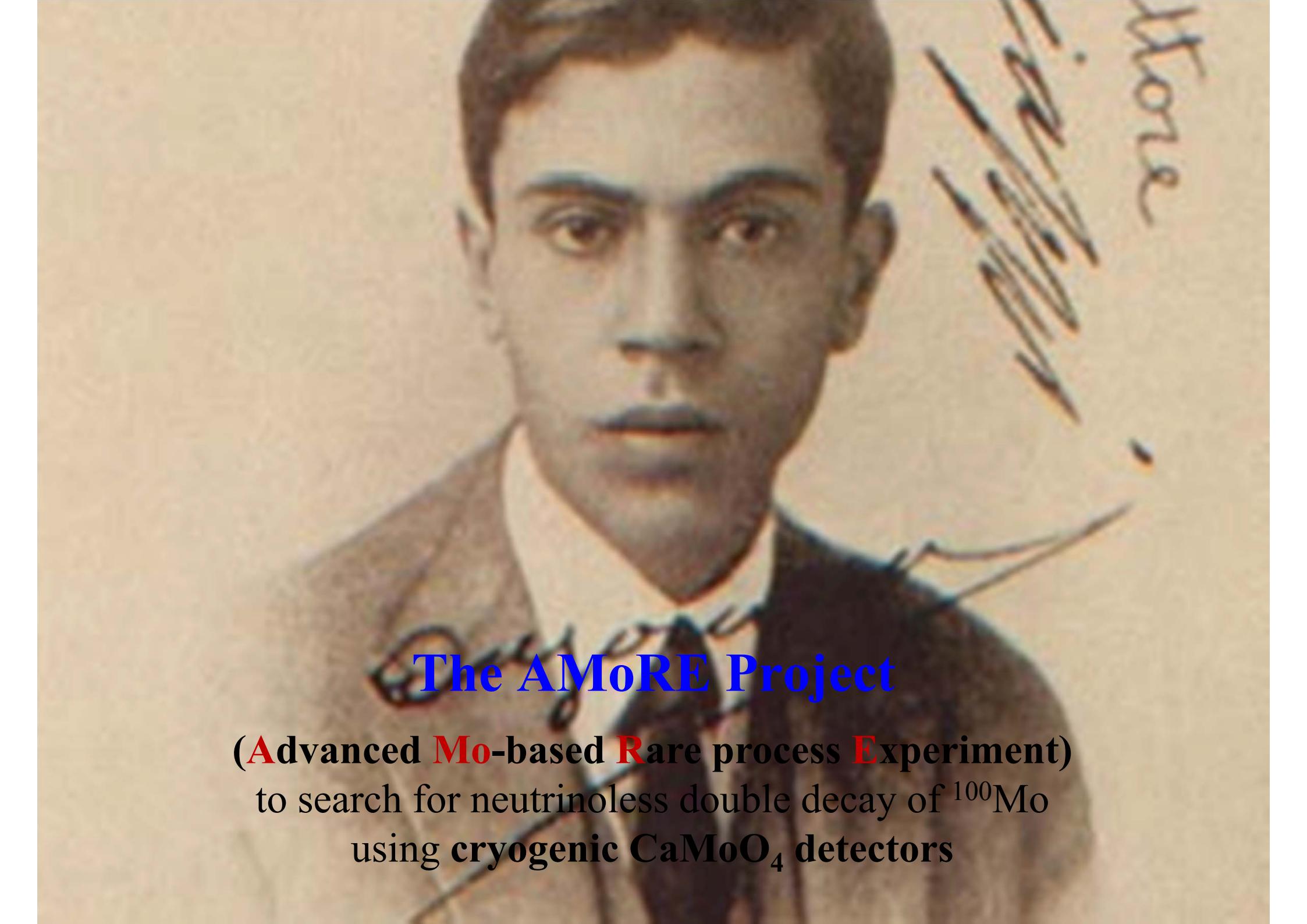
- Direct confirmation for DAMA.
- NaI(Tl) 200kg exp at CUP.
- 2013 : 2 crystals are installed.



# Summary & Sensitivities of KIMS+

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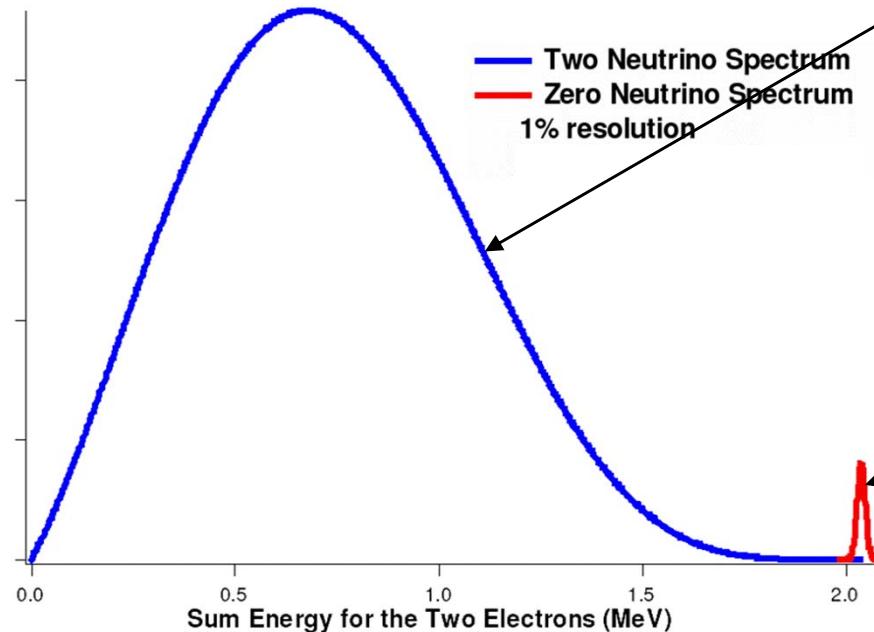




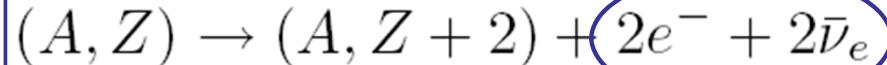
## The AMoRE Project

(Advanced Mo-based Rare process Experiment)  
to search for neutrinoless double decay of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$   
using cryogenic  $\text{CaMoO}_4$  detectors

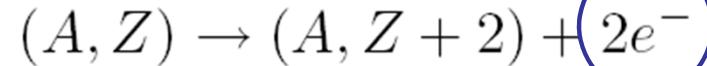
# Neutrinoless double beta decay ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ )



**Double Beta Decay with two neutrinos**



**Double Beta Decay with no neutrino**



**requires massive Majorana  $\nu$  !**

Key test proposed by Racah in 1937

It may answer

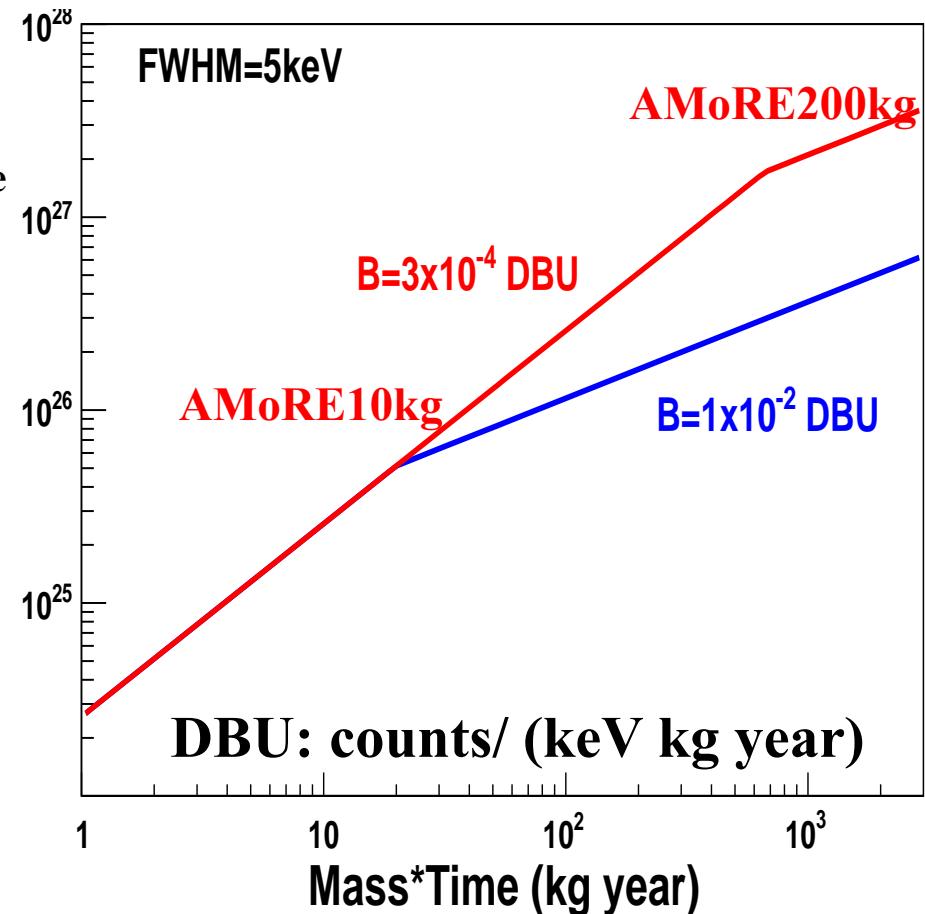
- Mass of neutrinos ( $1/T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto m_\nu^2$ )
- Majorana ( $\nu = \bar{\nu}$ ), or Dirac particles ( $\nu \neq \bar{\nu}$ )
- Lepton number conservation

# Experimental Sensitivity on $0\nu\beta\beta$ search

For sizeable background case;

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(\text{exp}) = (\ln 2) N_a \frac{a}{A} \varepsilon \sqrt{\frac{MT}{b\Delta E}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{B}}$$

Isotopic Abundance →  $a$   
 Atomic mass →  $A$   
 Detection Efficiency →  $\varepsilon$   
 Background level (count/keV kg year) →  $B$   
 Energy Resolution →  $\Delta E$   
 Detector Mass →  $M$   
 Time →  $T$



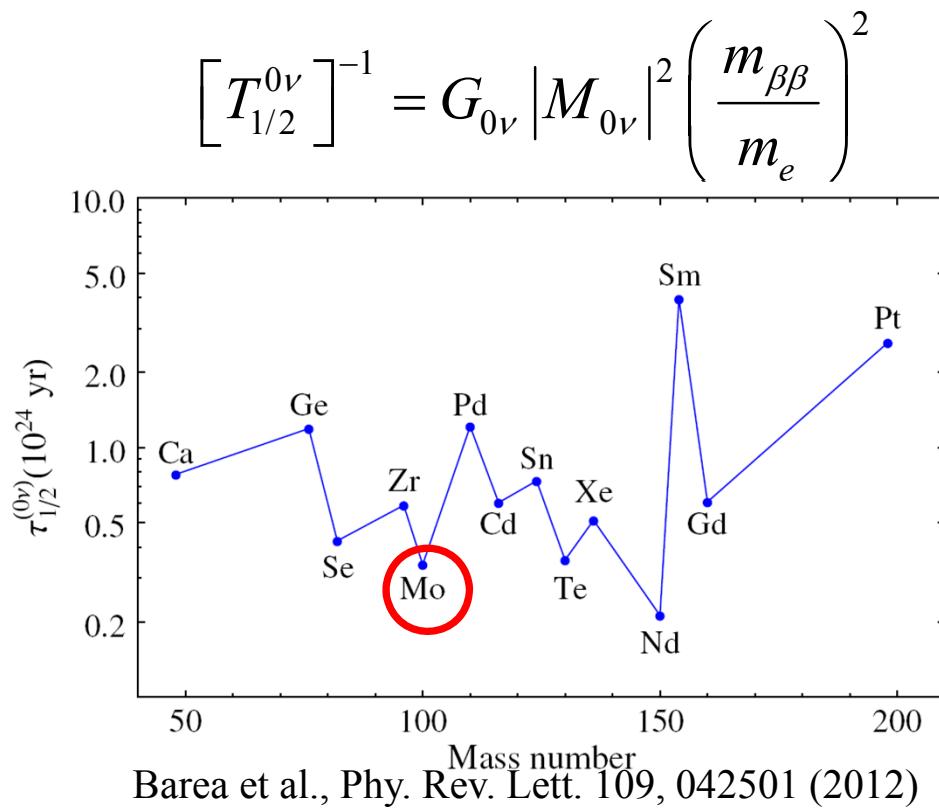
For “zero” background case;  
 # of background events  $\sim 0$  (1)

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(\text{exp}) = (\ln 2) N_a \frac{a}{A} \varepsilon \frac{MT}{n_{CL}}$$

# $^{100}\text{Mo}$ is chosen for $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment

- $^{100}\text{Mo}$

- ✓ High Q-value ( $\beta\beta$ ) of 3034.40 (12) keV.
- ✓ High natural abundance of 9.7%
- ✓ Relatively short half life ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ ) expected from theoretical calculation

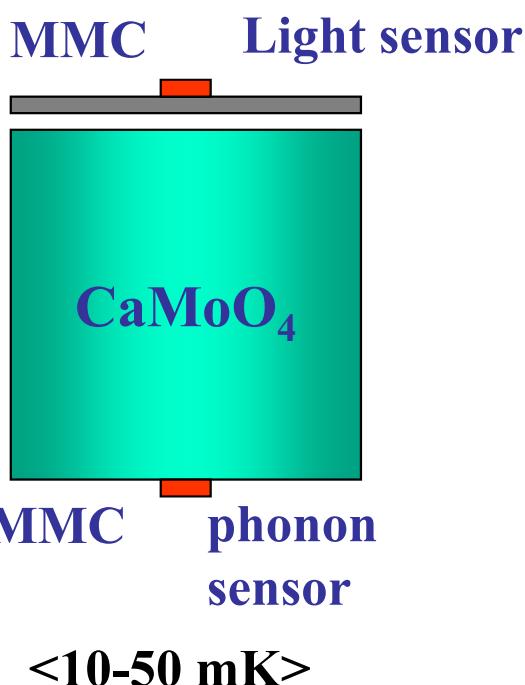


Candidate	Q (MeV)	Abund. (%)
$^{48}\text{Ca}$	4.271	0.19
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	2.040	7.8
$^{82}\text{Se}$	2.995	8.7
$^{100}\text{Mo}$	3.034	9.7
$^{116}\text{Cd}$	2.802	7.5
$^{124}\text{Sn}$	2.228	5.8
$^{130}\text{Te}$	2.533	34.1
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2.479	8.9
$^{150}\text{Nd}$	3.367	5.6

# AMoRE detector technology



Low Temp. Detector  
Source = Detector



## CaMoO<sub>4</sub>

- Scintillating crystal
- High Debye temperature:  $T_D = 438$  K,  $C \sim (T/T_D)^3$
- $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  0v $\beta\beta$  candidates
- AMoRE uses  $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  w. enriched  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  and depleted  $^{48}\text{Ca}$

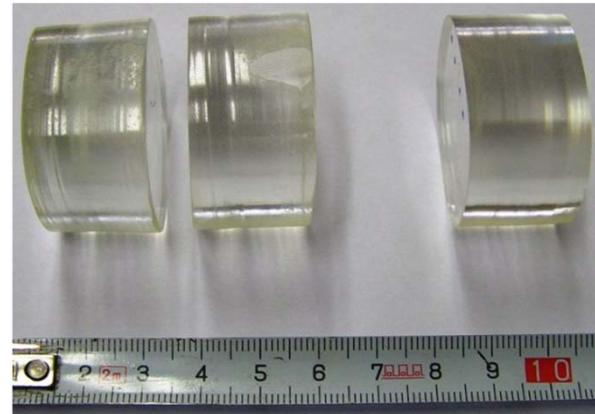
## MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter)

- Magnetic temperature sensor (Au:Er) + SQUID
- Sensitive low temperature detector with highest resolution
- Wide operating temperature
- Relatively fast signals
- Adjustable parameters in design and operation stages

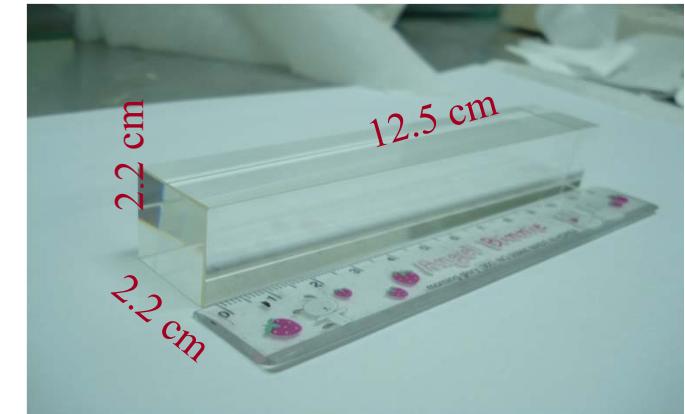
# CaMoO<sub>4</sub> crystal development



Korea(2003)



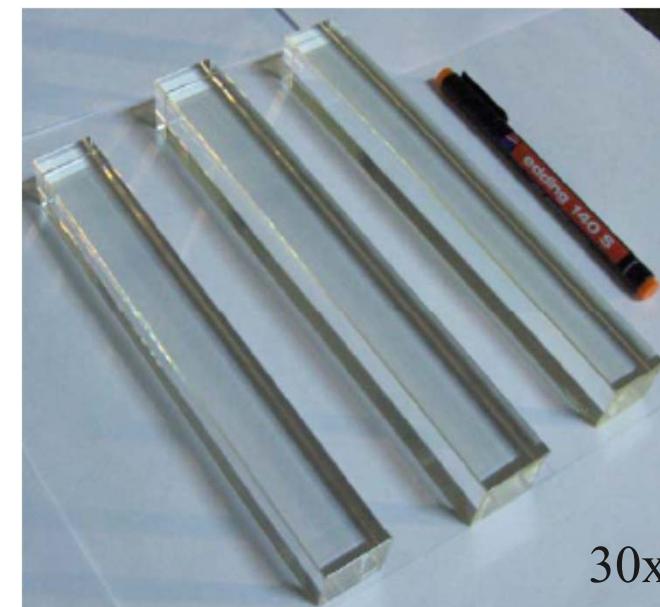
Ukraine-CARAT(2006)



Russia(2006)



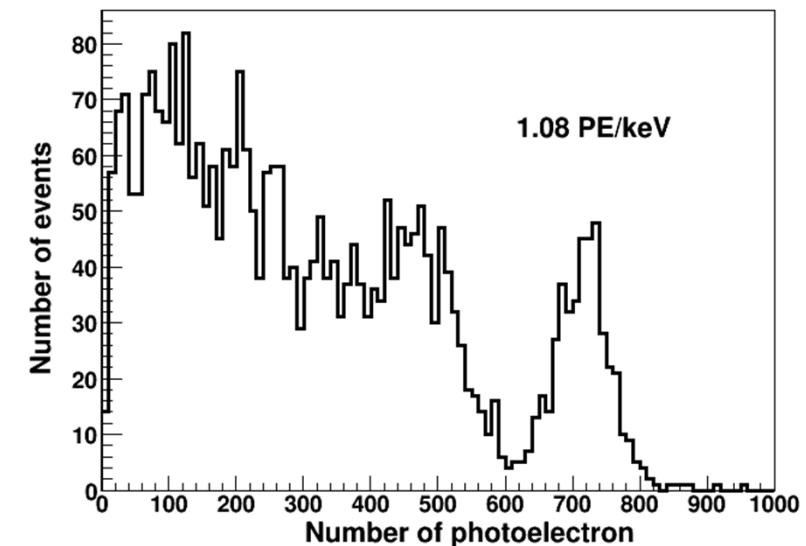
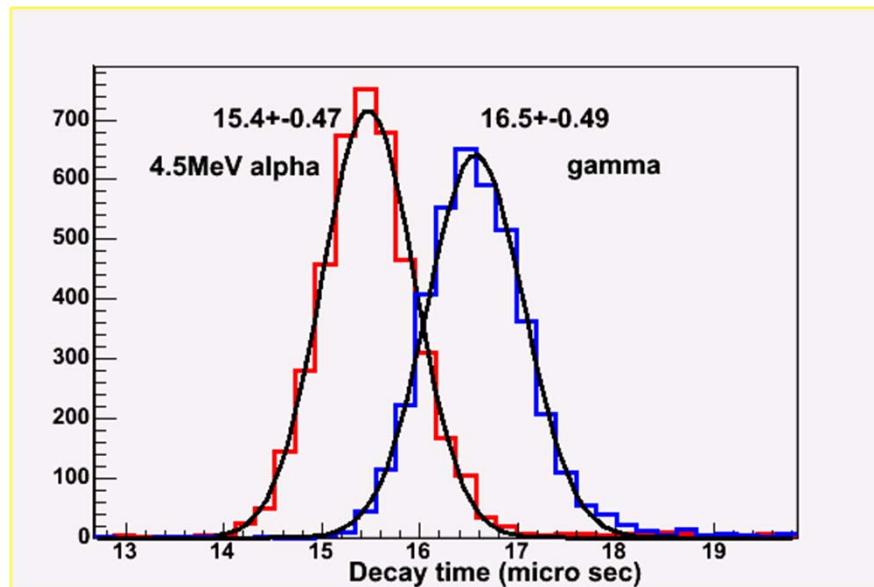
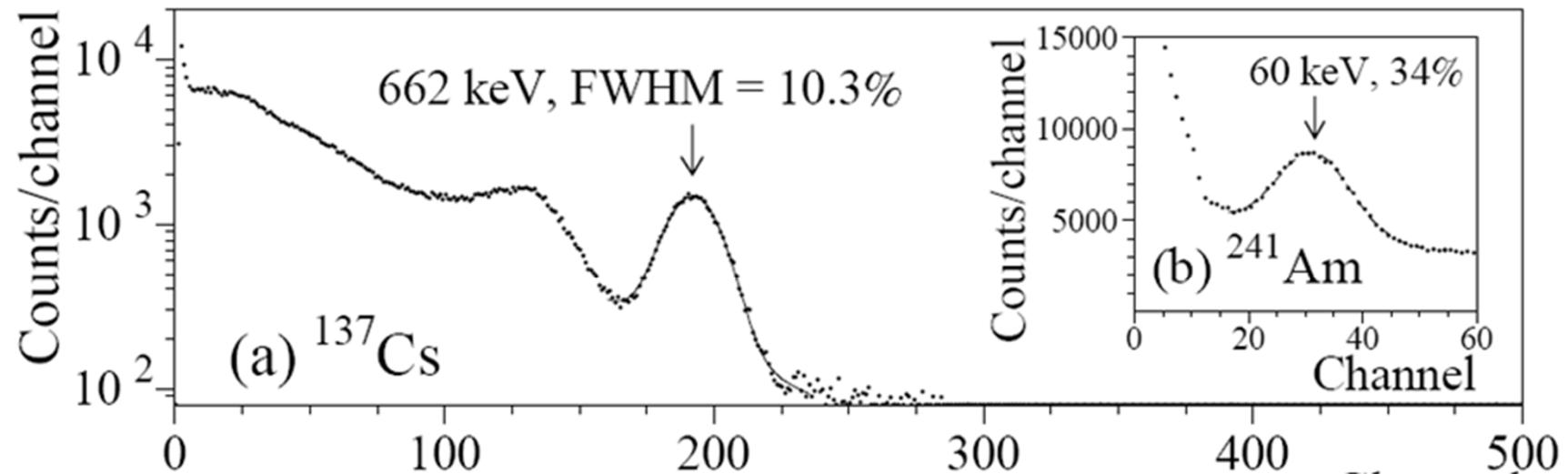
IEEE/TNS 2008



30x30x200mm

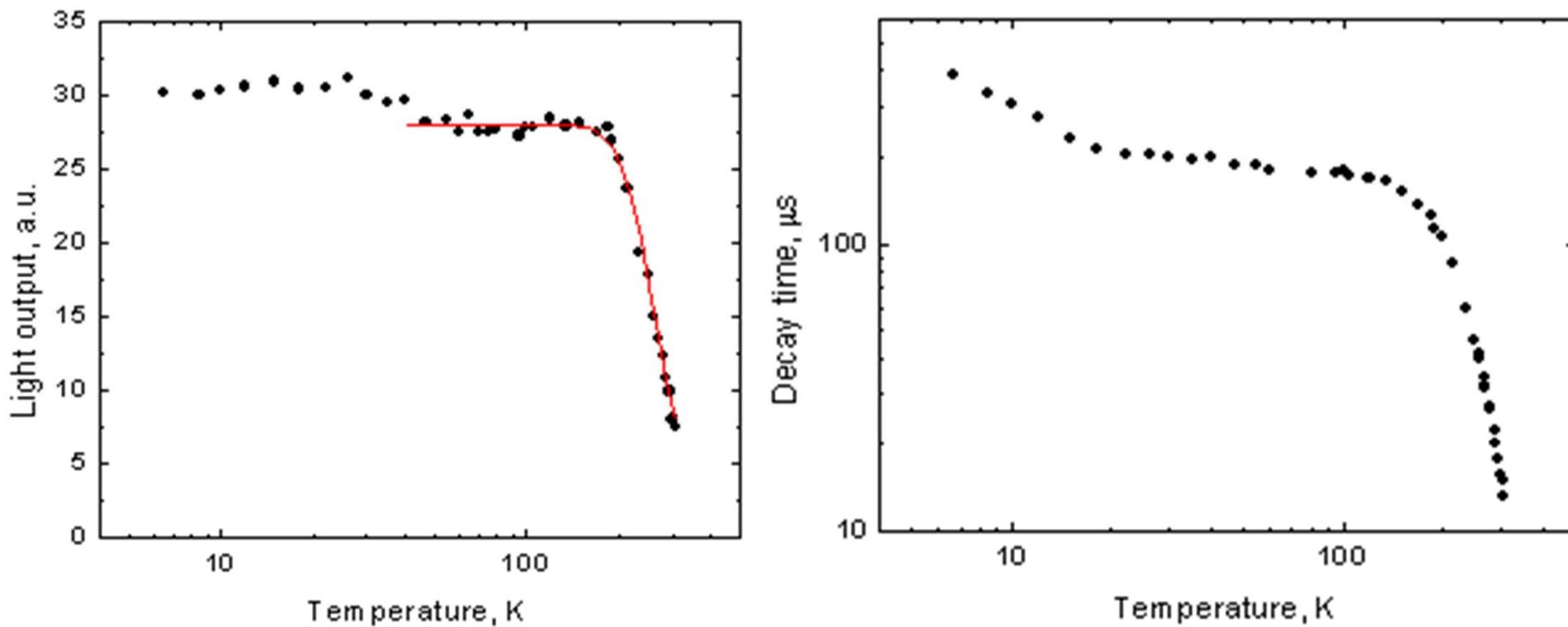
# CaMoO<sub>4</sub> characterization

NIMA 584, 334 (2008)



# Temperature dependent scintillation

From RT to 7 K, the light yield increases 6 times  
 (V.B. Mikhailik et al., NIMA 583 (2007) 350)



CaMoO<sub>4</sub> absolute light yield @RT:  $4900 \pm 590$  ph/MeV  
 (H.J. Kim et al., IEEE TNS 57 (2010) 1475)

- Light yield at low temp. :  $\sim 30,000$  ph/MeV
- Largest light yield among Mo contained crystals.

# **$^{100}\text{Mo}$ , $^{40}\text{Ca}$ enriched materials**

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- Mo-100 isotope production:  
ECP (Electrochemical plant) Zelenogorsk, Krasnoyarsky kray, Siberia



- Enrichment:  $\text{^{100}Mo} = 97\%$
- Impurities
  - ICP-MS measurement:  $\text{U} \leq 0.2 \text{ ppb}$ ,  $\text{Th} \leq 0.1 \text{ ppb}$
  - HPGe At Baksan:  $\text{^{226}Ra} < 2.3 \text{ mBq/kg}$ ,  $\text{^{228}Ac} < 3.8 \text{ mBq/kg}$

- Ca-40 isotope production:  
**ELEKTROCHIMPRIBOR**, Lesnoy, Sverdlovsky region



- $\text{^{48}Ca} < 0.001\%$
- Impurities:  $\text{U} \leq 0.1 \text{ ppb}$ ,  $\text{Th} \leq 0.1 \text{ ppb}$ ,  $\text{Sr} = 1 \text{ ppm}$ ,  $\text{Ba} = 1 \text{ ppm}$   
 $\text{^{226}Ra} = 51 \text{ mBq/kg}$   $\text{^{228}Ac}(\text{^{228}Th}) = 1 \text{ mBq/kg}$

# $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals from Russia

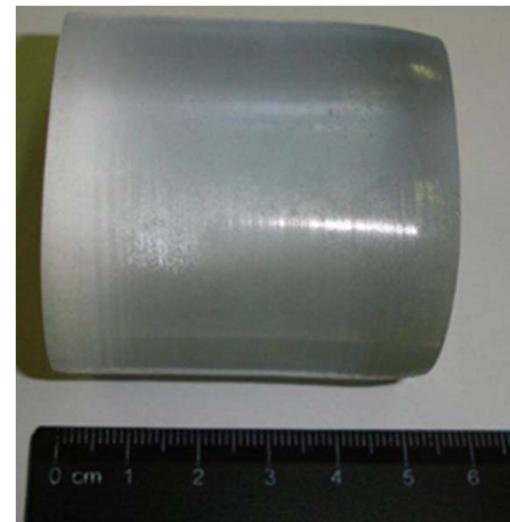
- SB28

weight 196 g



- SB29

weight 390 g



- S35

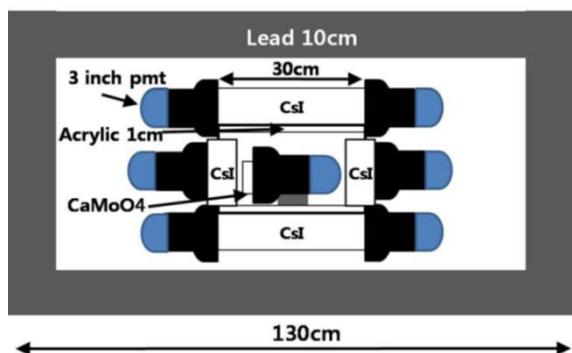
weight ~300 g



# Internal backgrounds of $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals

$4\pi$  CsI(Tl) active setup with Pb shielding at Y2L

$4\pi$  gamma veto system



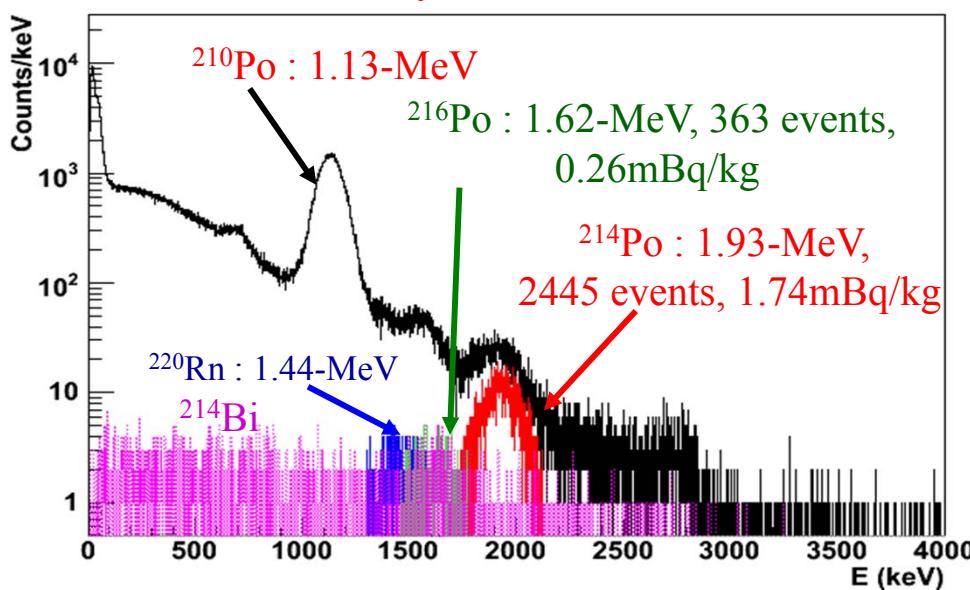
$\beta-\alpha$  decay in  $^{238}\text{U}$



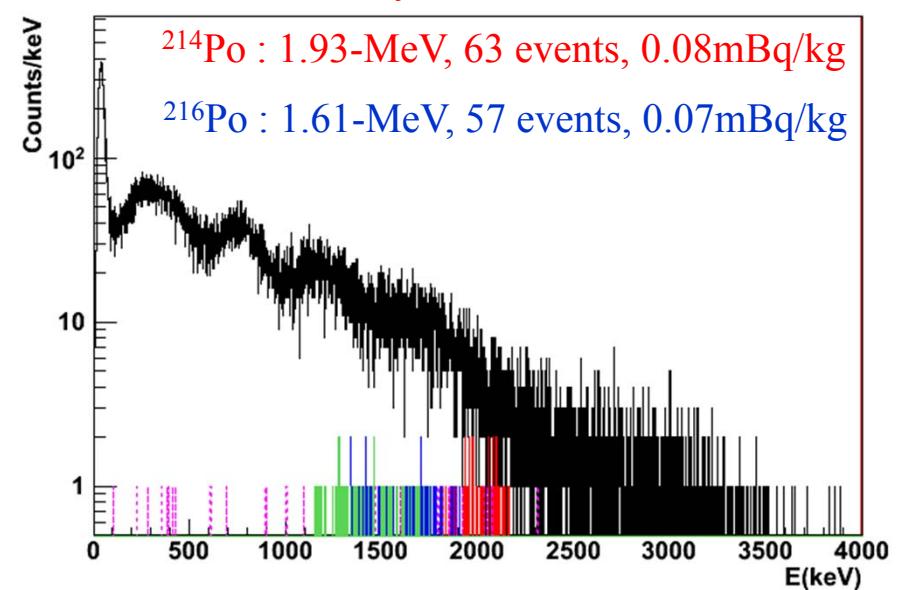
$\alpha-\alpha$  decay in  $^{232}\text{Th}$



Crystal S35

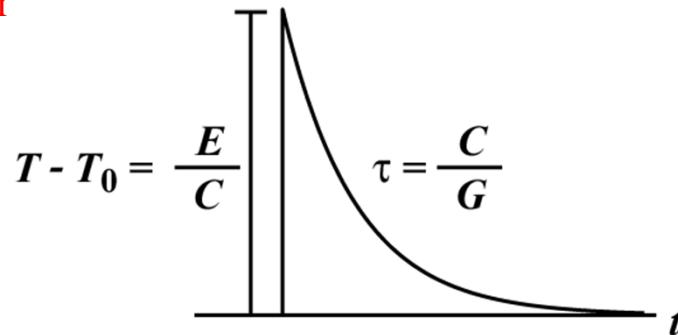
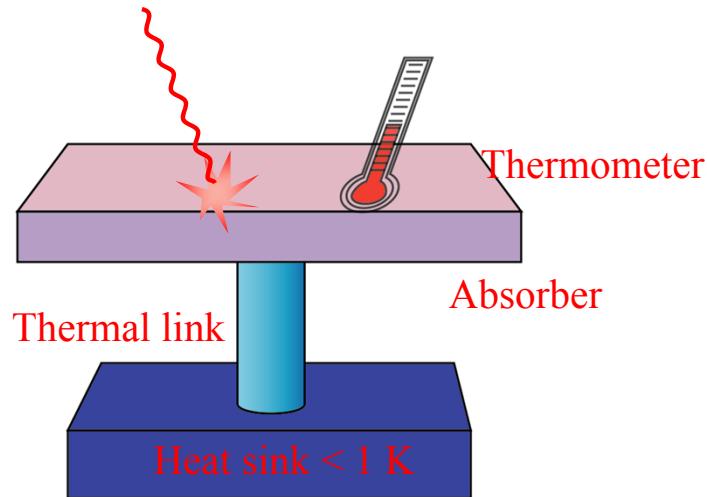


Crystal SB28



# Low temperature detectors (Calorimeters)

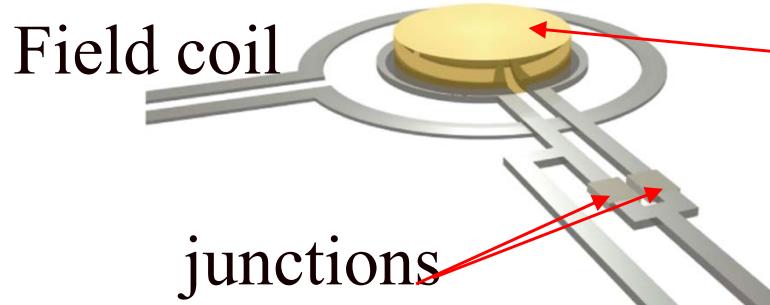
Energy absorption  $\rightarrow$  Temperature



## Choice of thermometers

- Thermistors (NTD Ge, doped Si)
- TES (Transition Edge Sensor)
- **MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter )**
- etc.

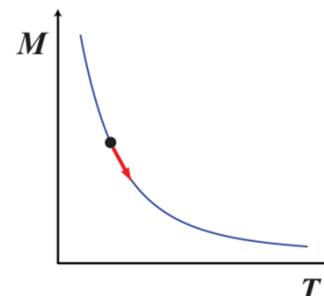
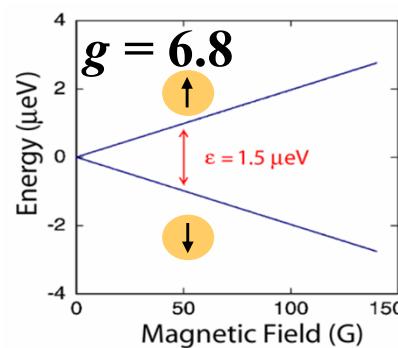
# Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter (MMC)



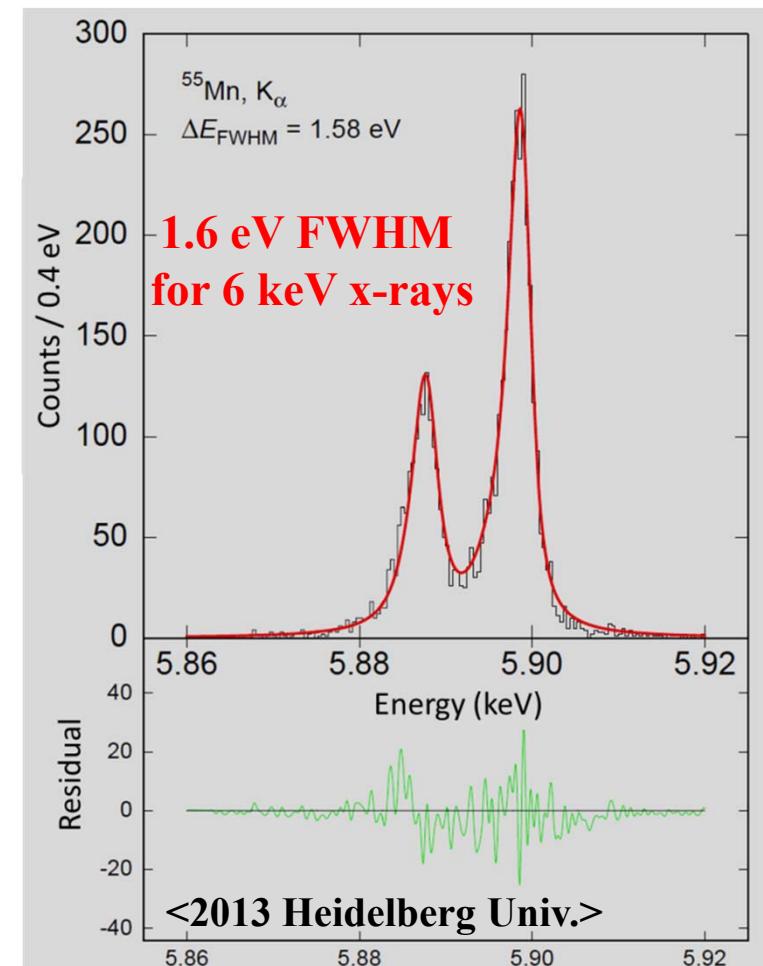
Magnetic material Au:Er(10~1000ppm)

- weakly-interacting paramagnetic system
- metallic host: fast thermalization ( $\sim 1\mu\text{s}$ )

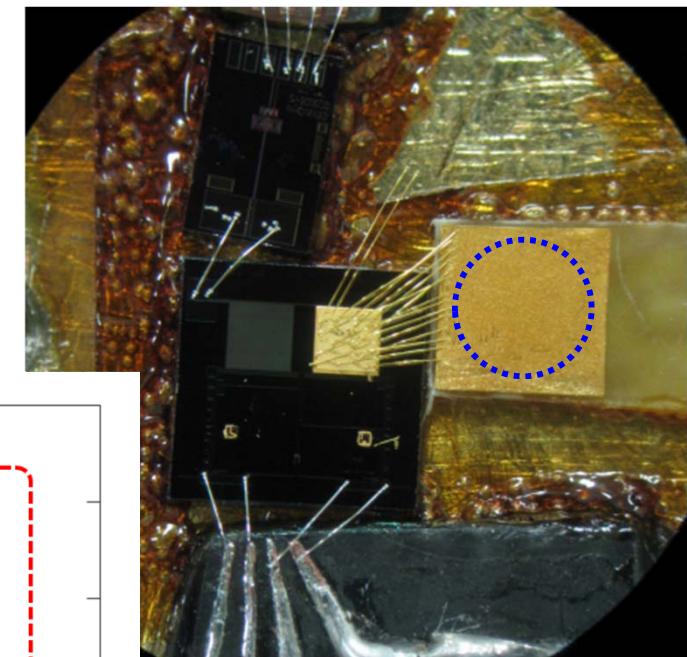
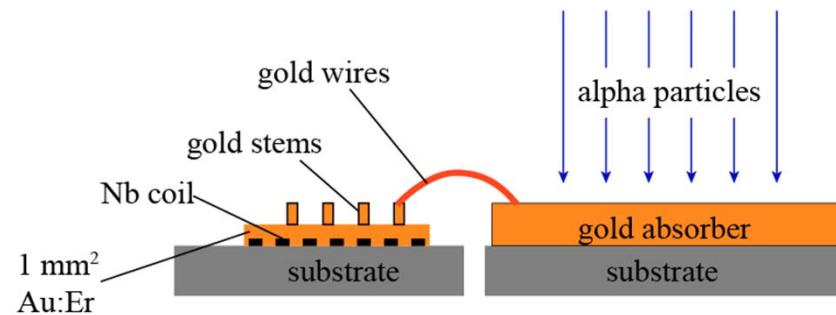
$$\delta E \rightarrow \delta T \rightarrow \delta M \rightarrow \delta \phi$$



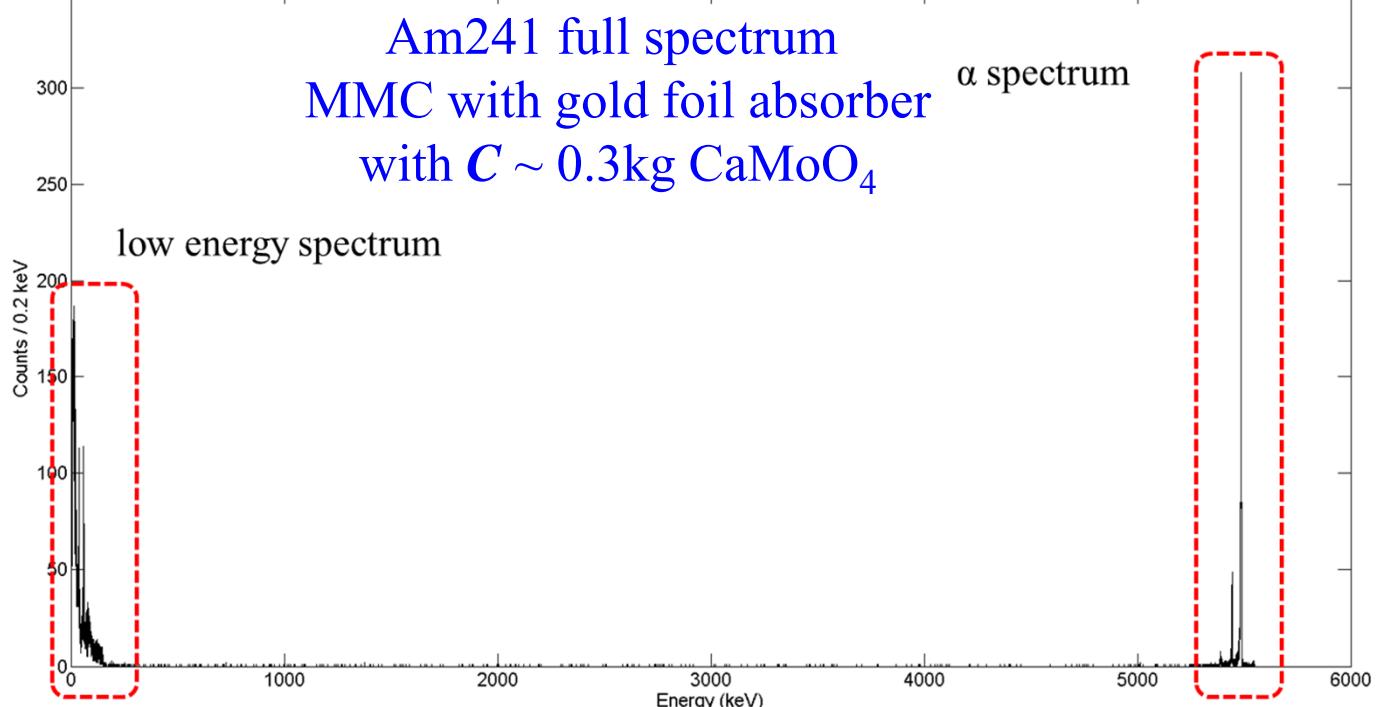
$$\begin{aligned} 5 \text{ mT} &\rightarrow \Delta\epsilon = 1.5 \mu\text{eV} \\ 1 \text{ keV} &\rightarrow 10^9 \text{ spin flips} \end{aligned}$$



# Alpha spectrometer using MMC



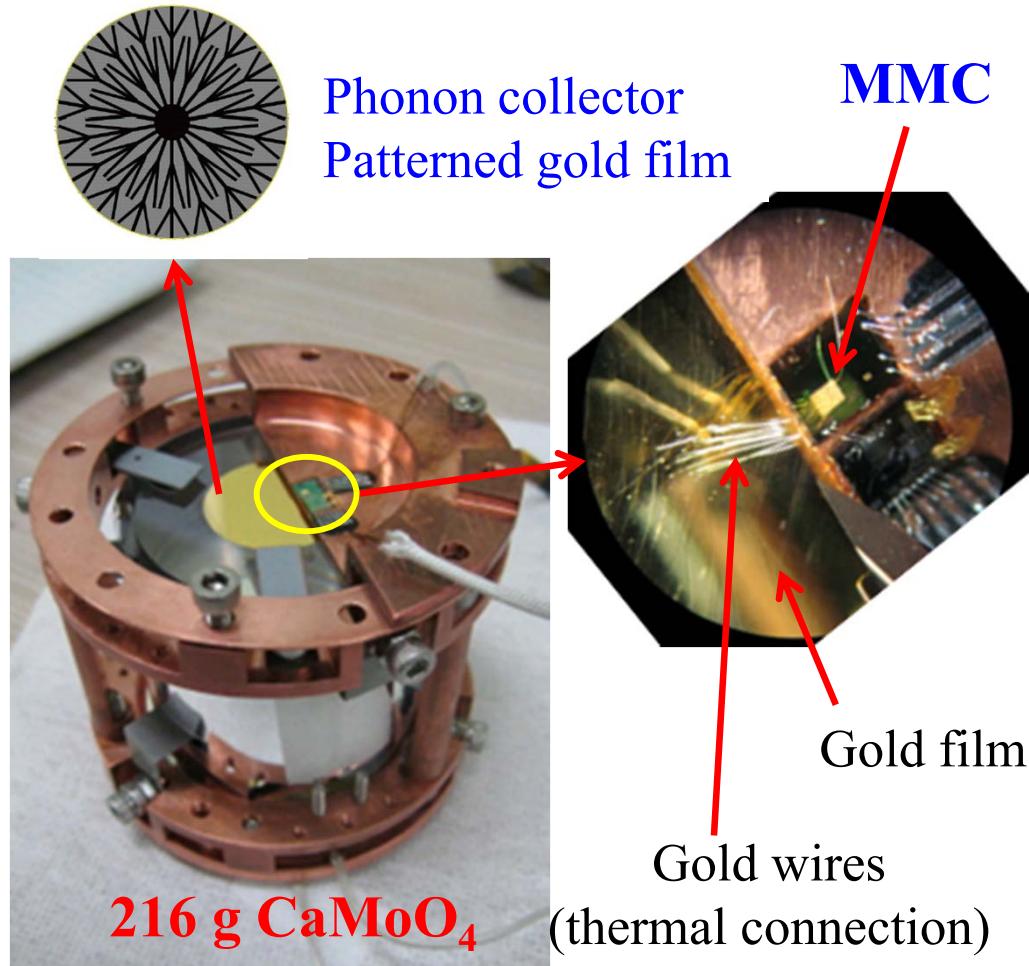
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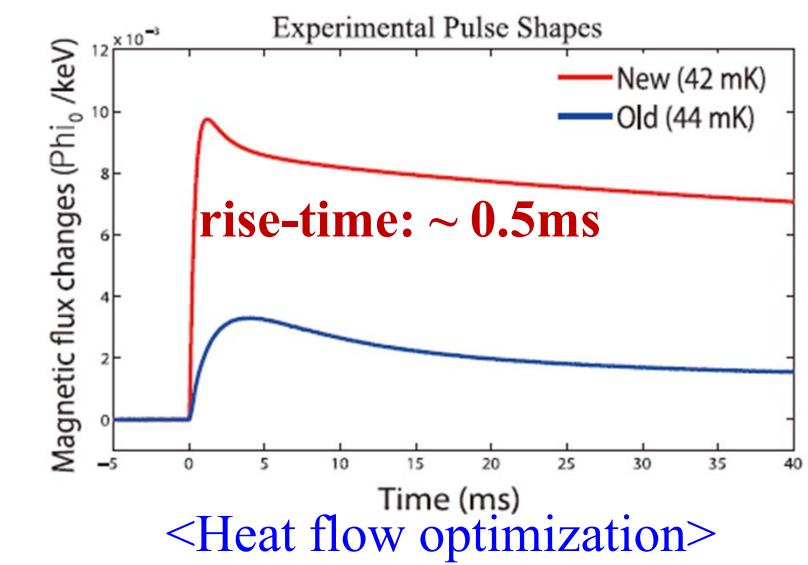
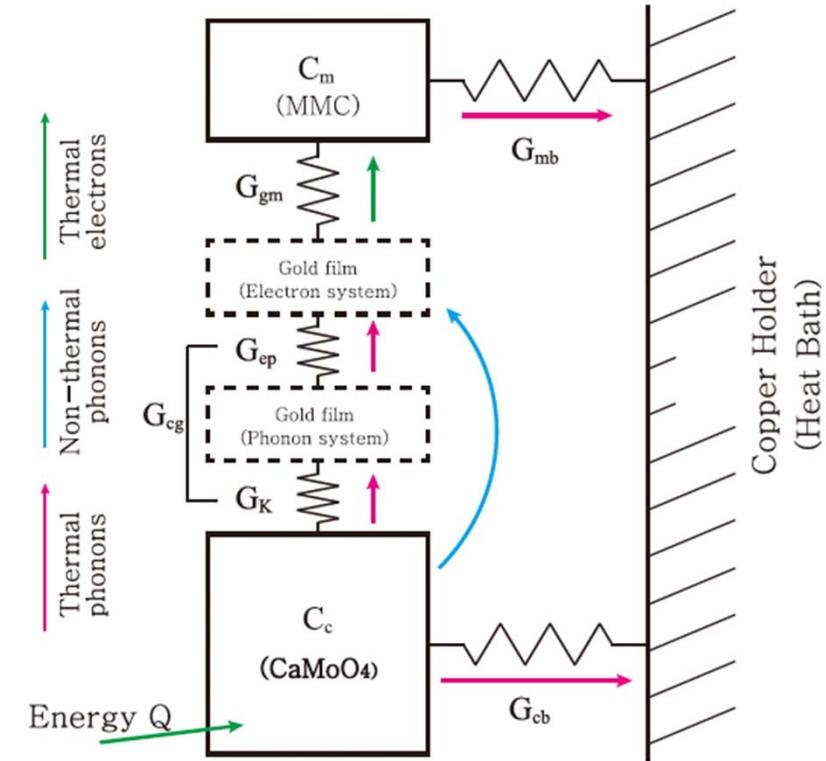
$\alpha$  spectrum

1.2keV FWHM Gaussian width  
for 5.5MeV  $\alpha$

# Phonon sensor for AMoRE

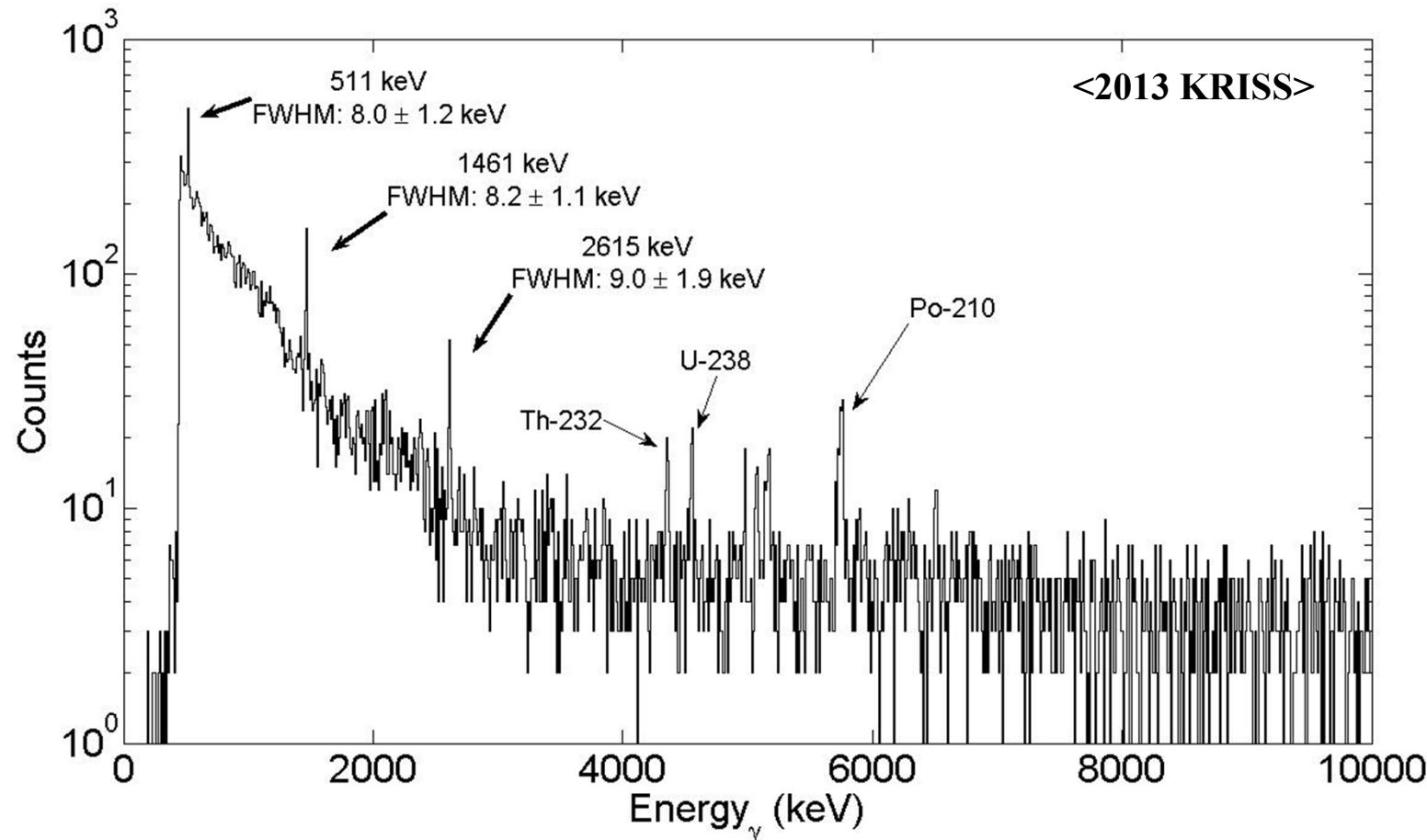


We measure both thermal  
and athermal phonons.



# Detector R&D in an over-ground lab

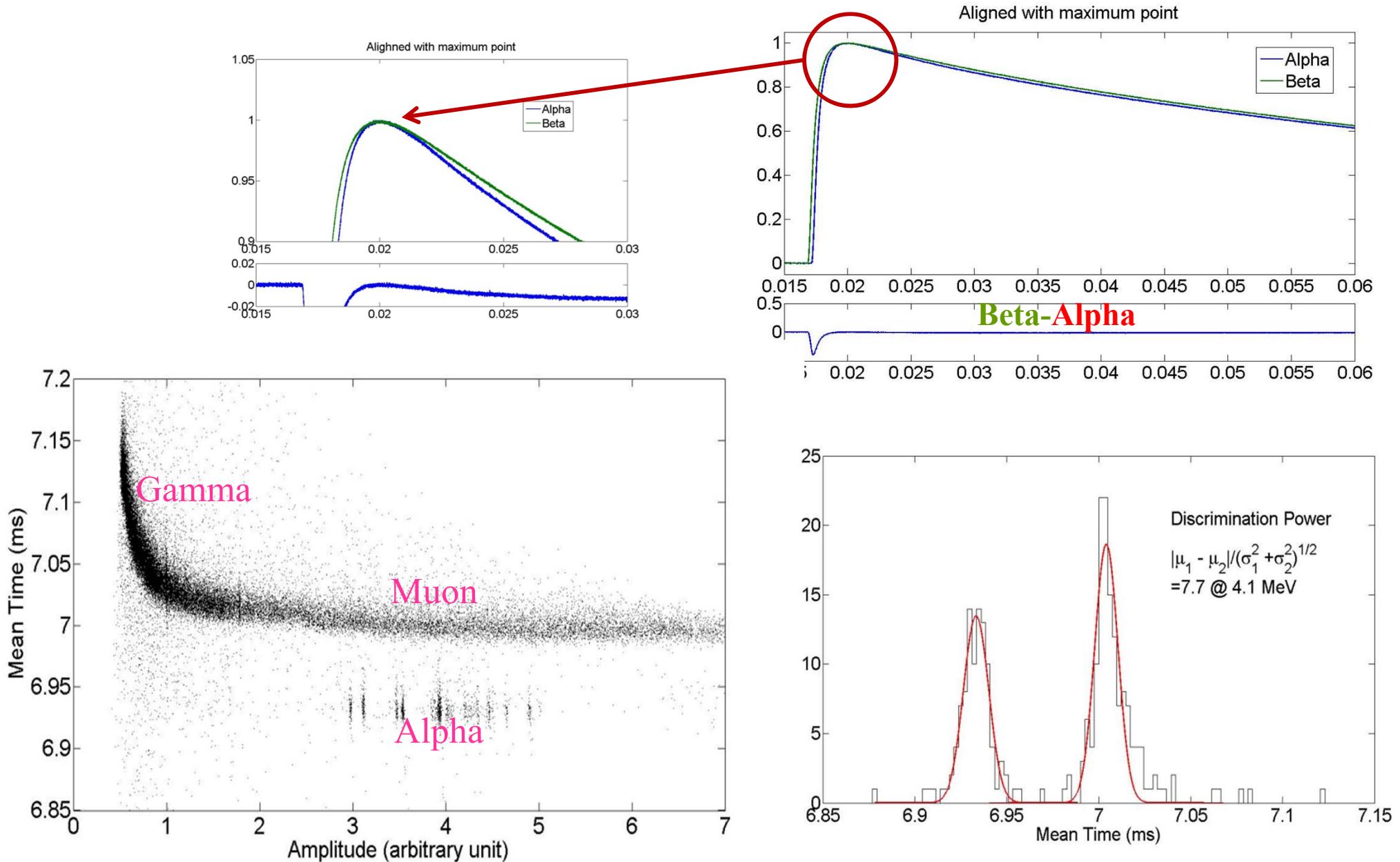
216 g CaMoO<sub>4</sub>(natural) with a phonon sensor only.



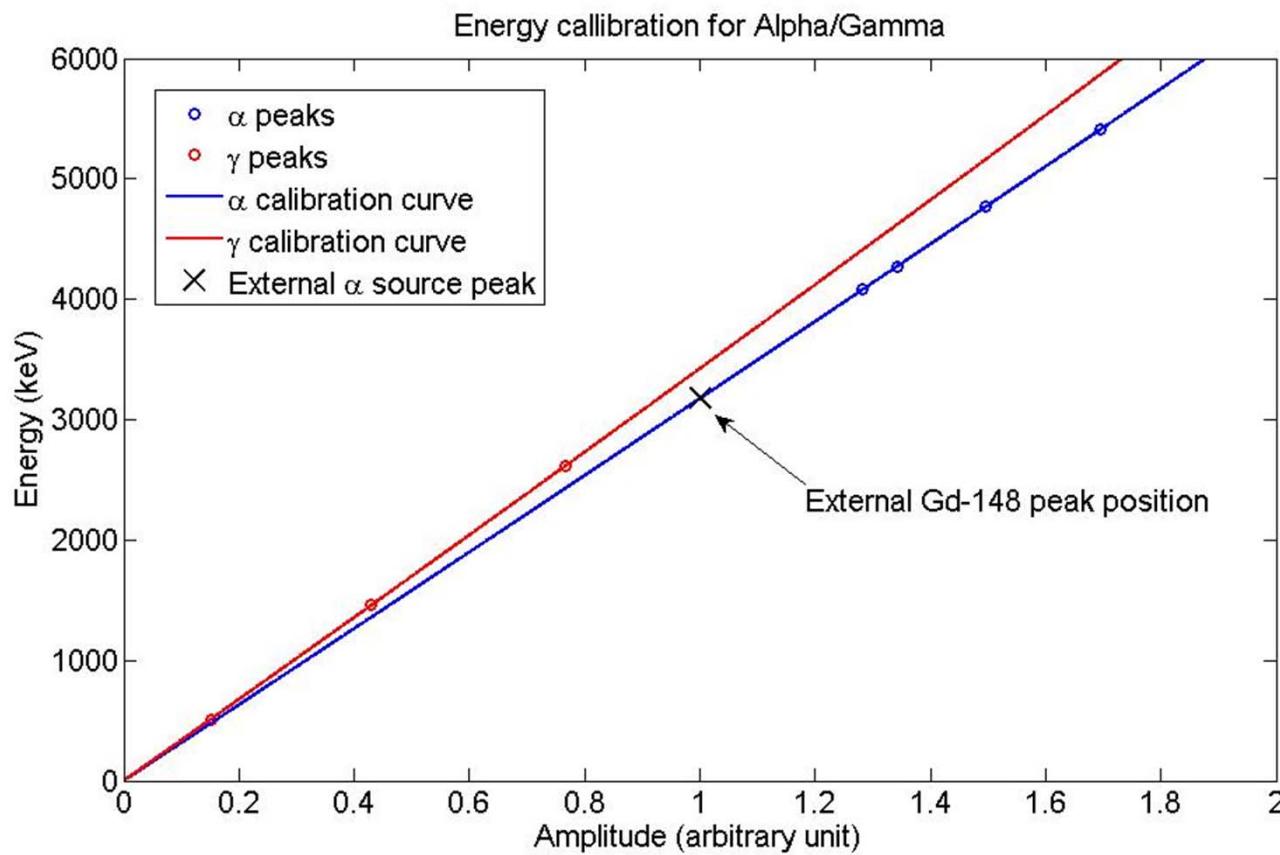
Energy (keV)	511	1461	2615
FWHM (keV)	$8.0 \pm 1.2$	$8.2 \pm 1.1$	$9.0 \pm 1.9$

# Pulse Shape Discrimination

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  events show different pulse shapes in phonon signals.

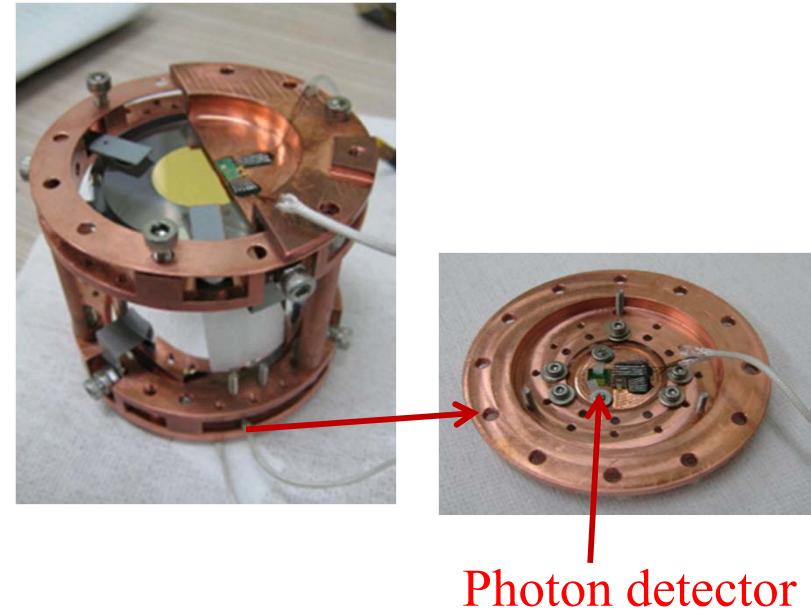
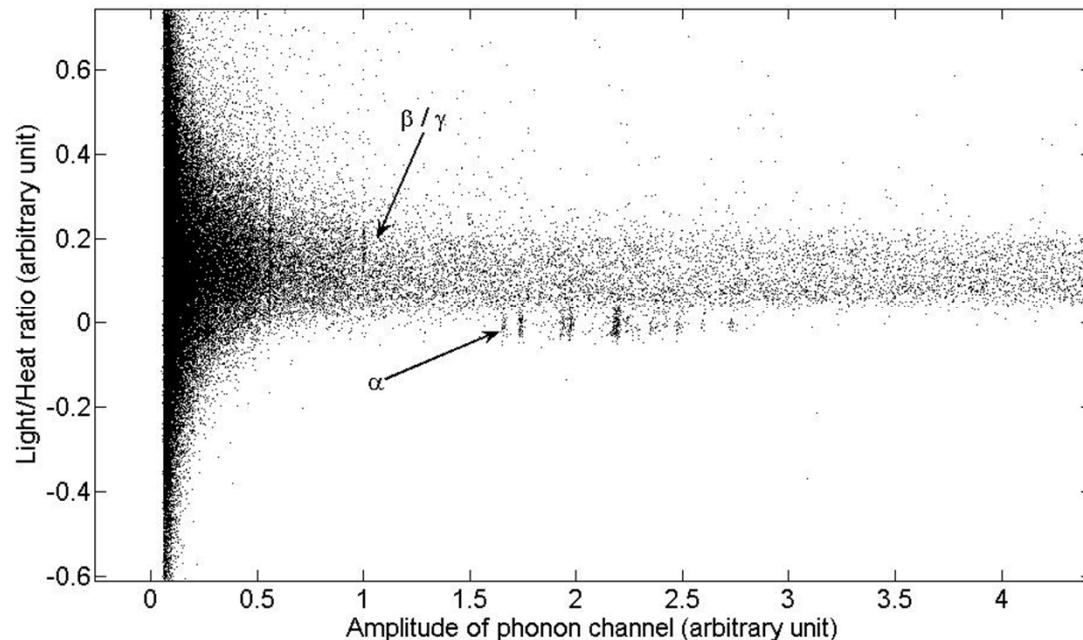


# Energy calibration



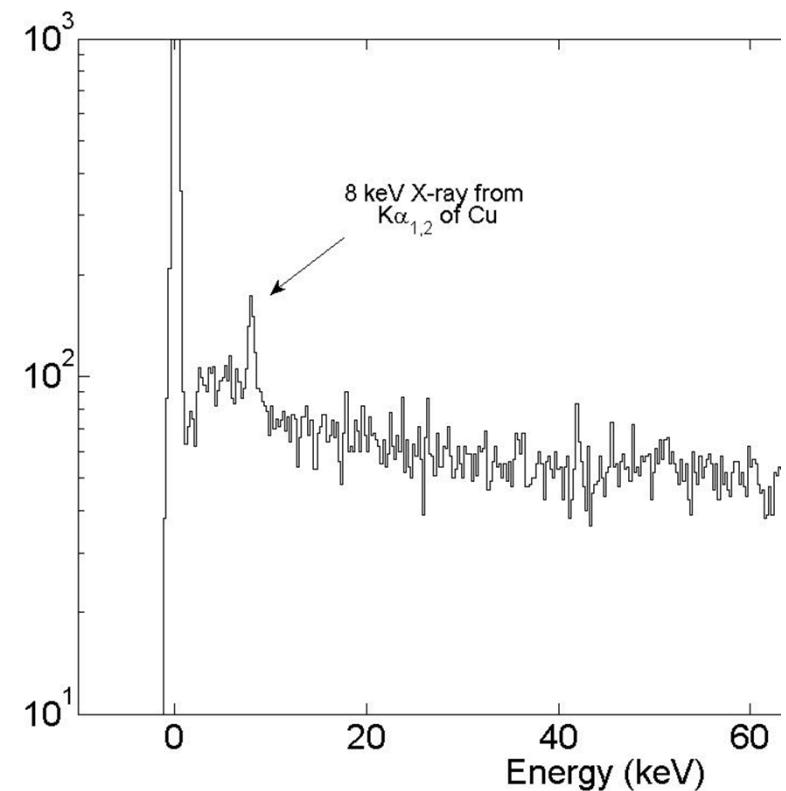
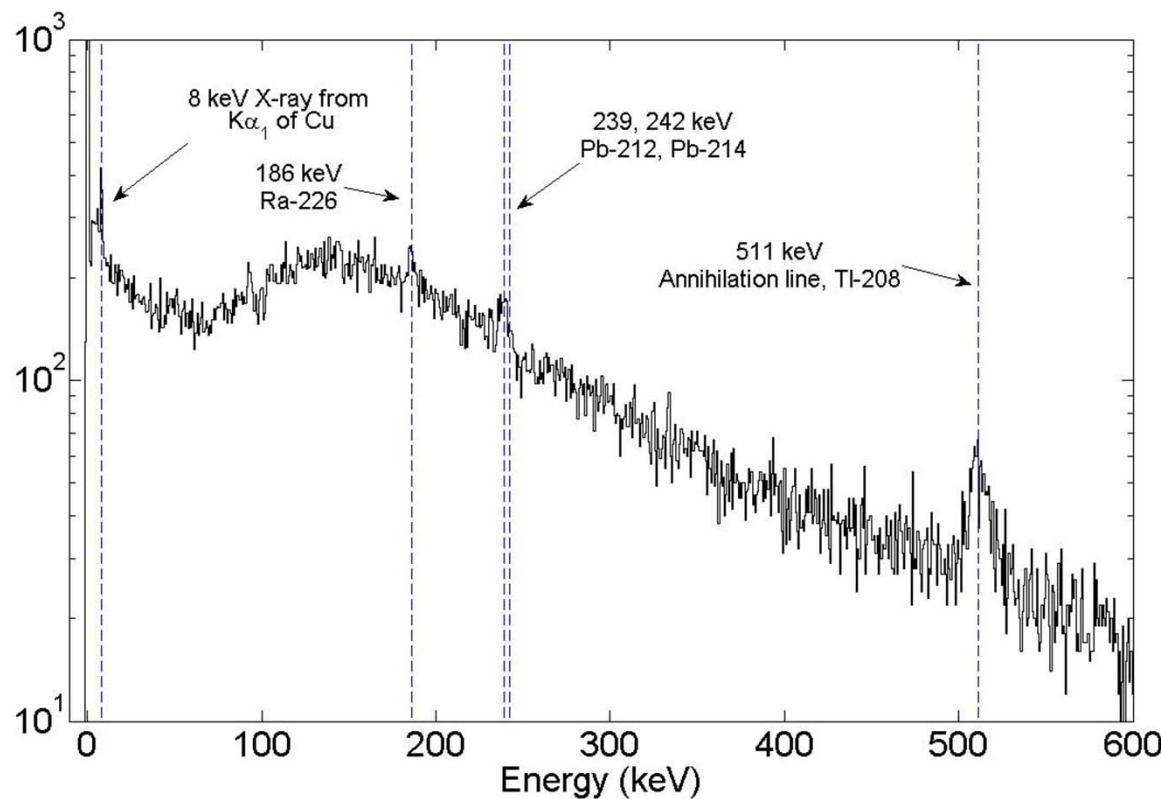
- Alpha/Beta events show different energy scale ( $\sim 7\%$  @ 2.6 MeV).
- The detector shows good linearity for both of alpha and gamma signals.

# Photon Detector Measurement



- We measured small photon signals because of small covering area ( $\sim 20 \text{ mm}^2$ ).
- $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  particle events show different light yields.
- Now we are developing photon detectors with 1-2 inch Ge wafers.

# Low energy signals at lower temperatures

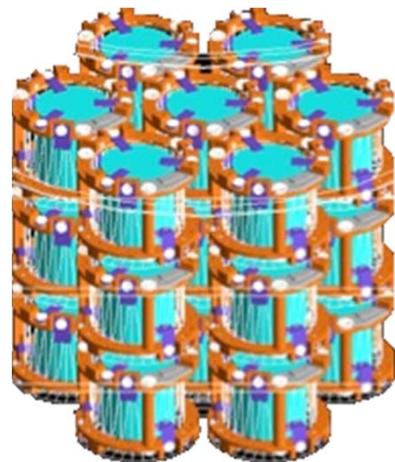


- 10 mK → larger but slower signals.
- One point (511 keV) linear calibration.
- 8 keV x-ray peak resolved.
- 1.5 keV signals can be clearly triggered.
- Further studies should be done in low background environment

# Now and Future AMoRE

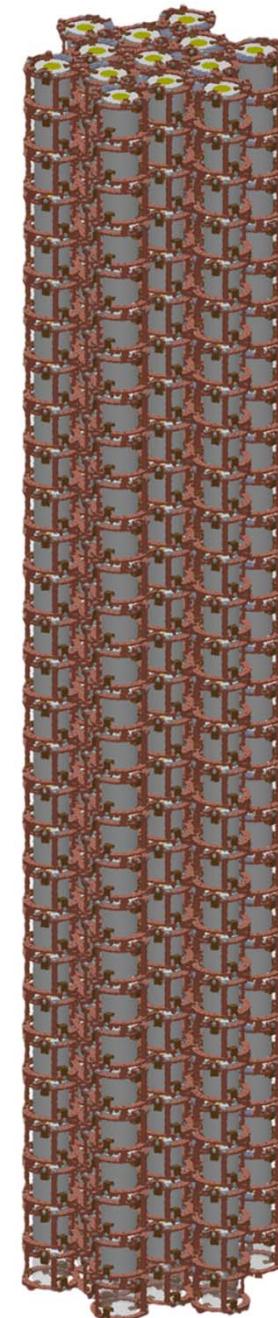


216 g  
<Now, 2013>



CMO: ~ 300g  
5 layers-7 columns  
<AMoRE10, 2015~6>  
In Y2L

Each Cell : D=70 mm, H=80 mm.  
CMO (D=50mm, H=60mm, 506g)  
30 layers(2.4 m height)-13 columns  
or 20 layers(1.6 m height)-19 columns  
<AMoRE200, 2018~9>  
In CUPID?



# Summary of the AMoRE project

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- Crystal:  $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ , doubly enriched scintillating crystals
- $^{100}\text{Mo}$  enrichment = 97%
- Temperature: 10-50 mK
- Energy Resolution: 5 keV @ 3 MeV  
(Now ~9keV w. one phonon only in over-ground)
- Single Detector Mass: 300-500g
- Location: AMoRE10 at Y2L, AMoRE200 at CUPID?

Mass	10 kg	200 kg
Background (keV kg year) $^{-1}$	$10^{-2}$	$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Sensitivity(m <sub>ee</sub> ) (meV)	80-250	20-50
Schedule	in 3 years	in 8 years

# Thank you

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Kick-off started for the CUP !



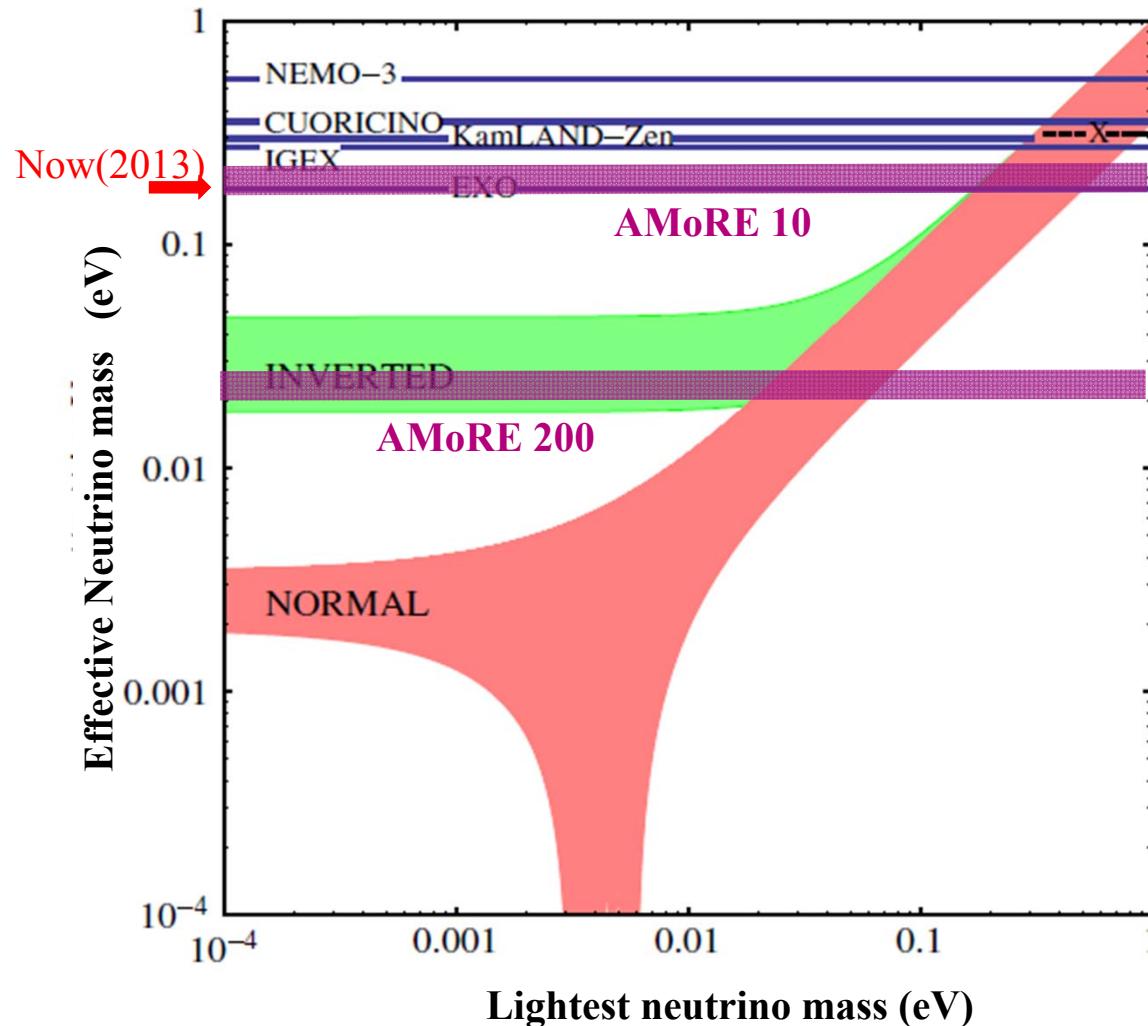
# Major backgrounds from radionuclides

Background source	Activity ( $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{kg}$ )	Background ( $10^{-4}$ cnt/keV/kg/yr)	Bkg reduced by PSD ( $10^{-4}$ cnt/keV/kg/yr)
Tl-208, internal	10 ( $^{232}\text{Th}$ )	0.36	
Tl-208, in Cu	16 ( $^{232}\text{Th}$ )	0.22	
BiPo-214, internal	10	0.11 <sup>1)</sup>	$\leq 0.01$
BiPo-214, in Cu	60	1.8 <sup>1) 2)</sup>	$\leq 0.18$
BiPo-212, internal	10 ( $^{232}\text{Th}$ )	0.08 <sup>1)</sup>	$\leq 0.01$
BiPo-212, in Cu	16 ( $^{232}\text{Th}$ )	0.36 <sup>1) 2)</sup>	$\leq 0.04$
Y-88, internal	20	0.19	
$\Sigma$ int. (w/o $2\beta 2\nu$ )		0.74	$\leq 0.57$
$\Sigma$ Cu		2.40	$\leq 0.44$
Rand. coinc. from $2\beta 2\nu$ decays of $^{100}\text{Mo}$	$8.7 \times 10^3$ (single events)	3.1	1.2 <sup>3)</sup>
<b>Total</b>		<b>6.2</b>	$\leq 2.2$

- 1) Can be reduced  $\times 0.1$  by alpha/beta PSD.
- 2) Can be reduced by Teflon coating of Cu (to remove surface alphas).
- 3) Can be reduced further by the leading edge separation with  $\Delta t=0.5$  ms.

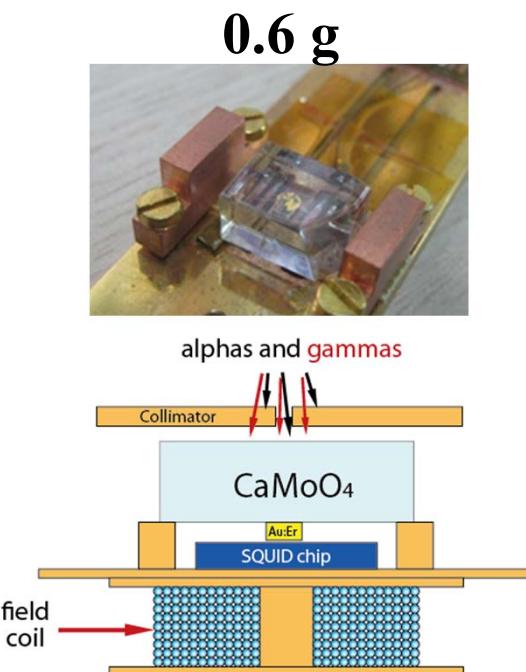
Muon background :  $1.36 \times 10^{-4}$  counts/(keV kg year)

# AMoRE Sensitivity

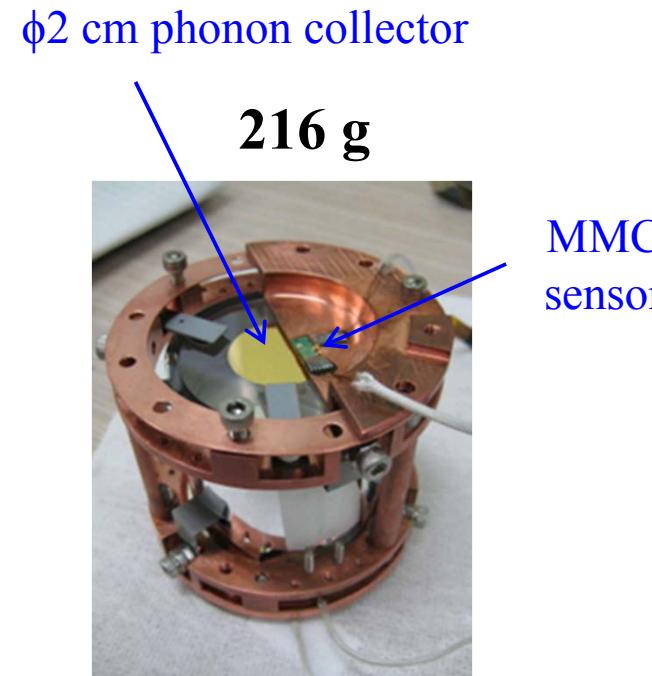


# Before & Now

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2009  
CMO + Susceptometer



2013  
CMO + Meander MMC  
Heat flow optimization