

# KamLAND

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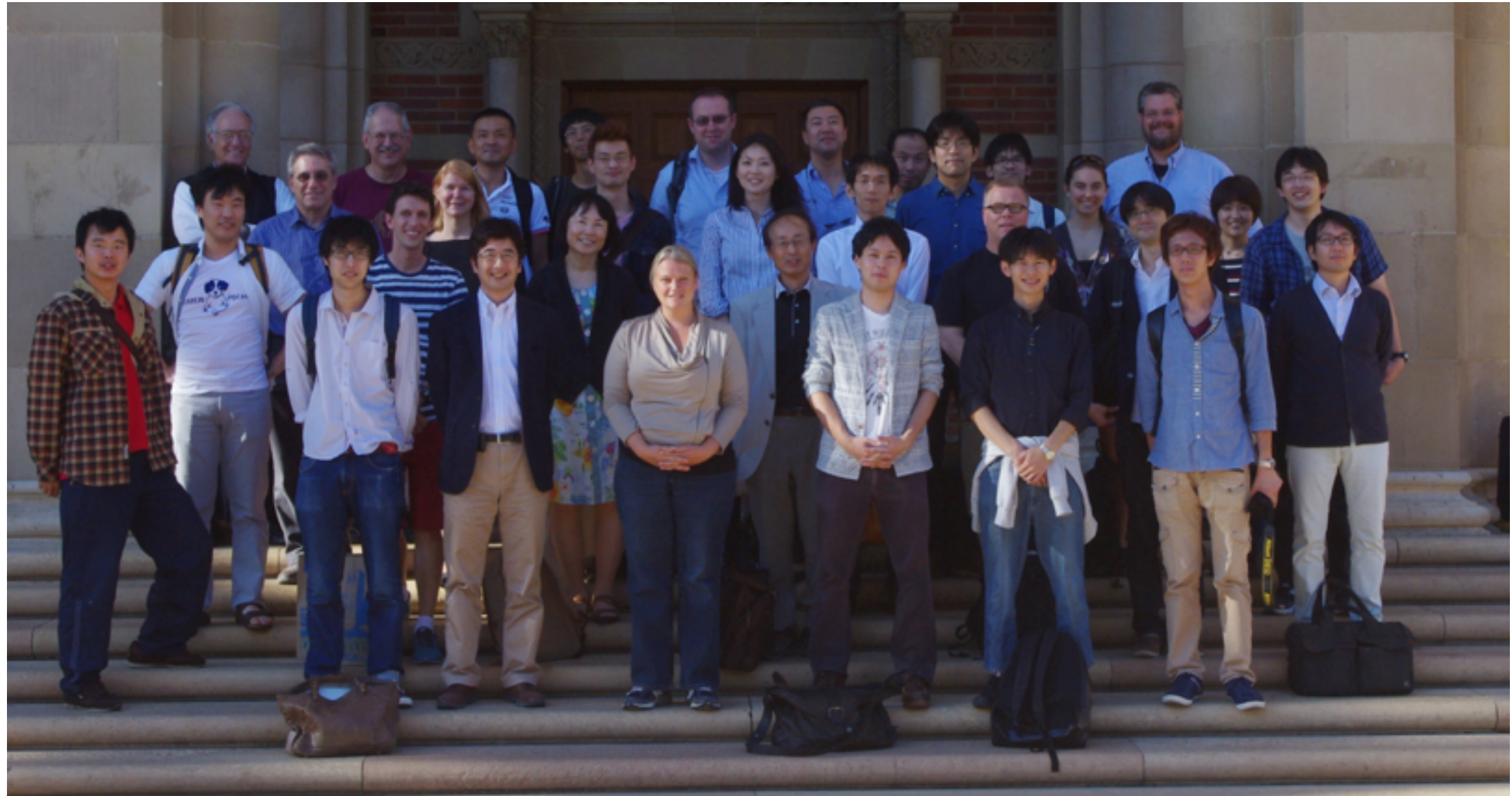
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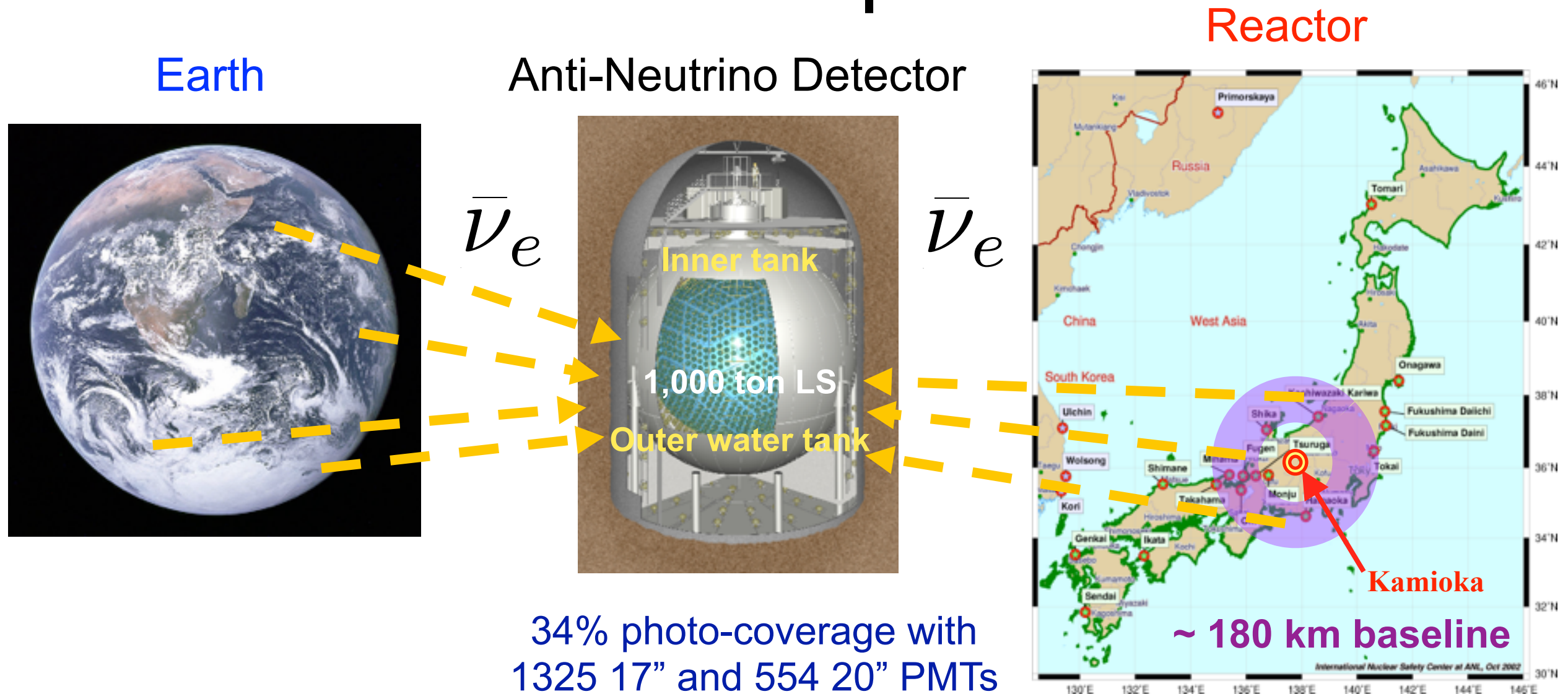
# KamLAND Collaboration

Collaboration meeting at UCLA (2014)



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- 2 Kavli Institute for the Physics and Mathematics of the Universe (WPI), University of Tokyo
- 3 Graduate School of Science, Osaka University
- 4 Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Alabama
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- 6 Department of Physics, Colorado State University, Fort Collins
- 7 Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Hawaii at Manoa
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- 9 Triangle Universities Nuclear Laboratory and Physics Departments at Duke University and the University of North Carolina
- 10 Department of Physics, University of Wisconsin
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# KamLAND Experiment



34% photo-coverage with  
1325 17" and 554 20" PMTs

2 flavor neutrino oscillation

$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2\left(\frac{1.27\Delta m^2[\text{eV}^2]l[m]}{E[\text{MeV}]}\right)$$

most sensitive region

$$\Delta m^2 = (1/1.27) \cdot (E[\text{MeV}]/L[m]) \cdot (\pi/2) \\ \sim 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$$

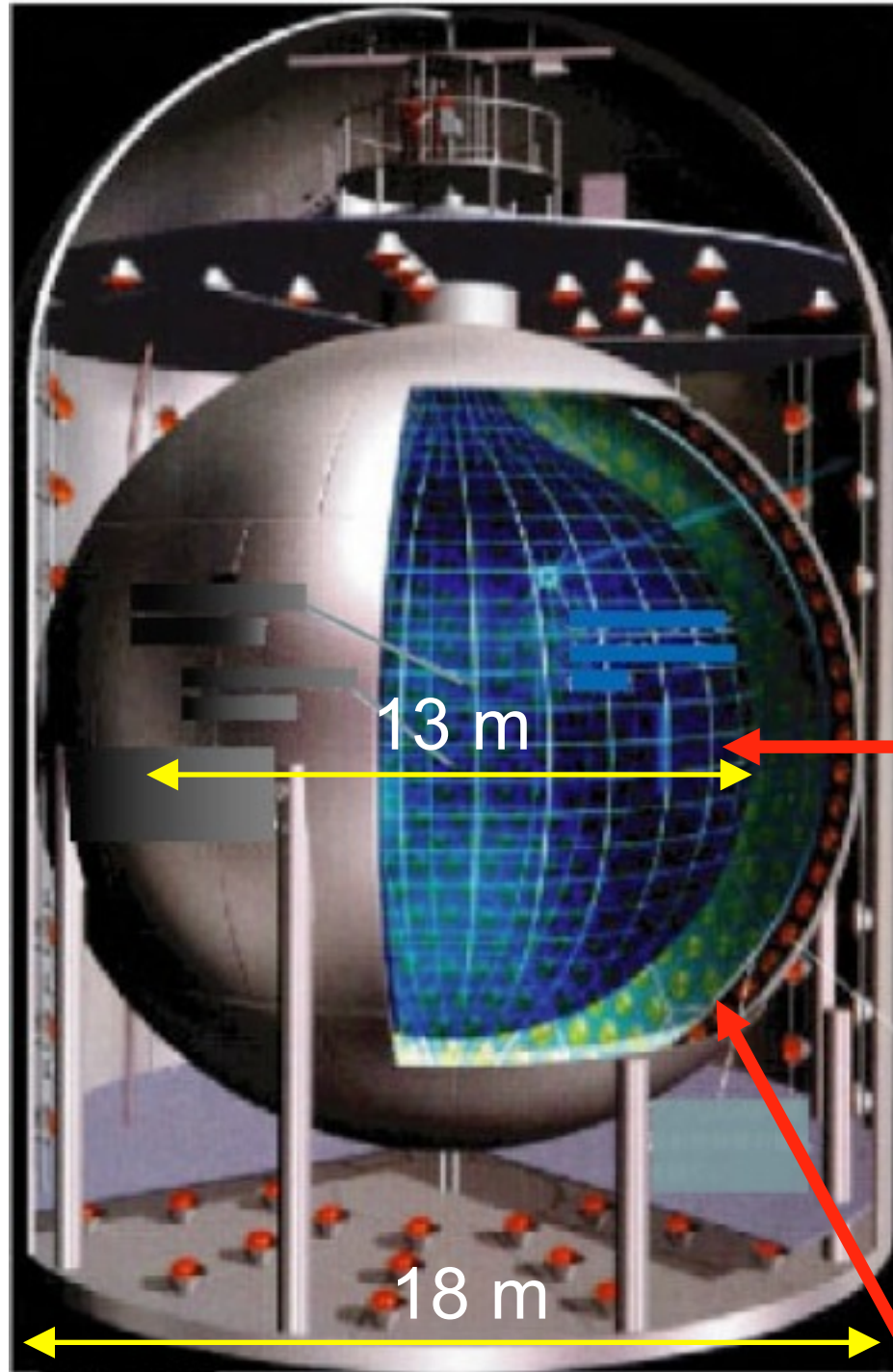
reactor neutrino : sensitive to LMA solution

geo neutrino : U and Th decays inside the Earth



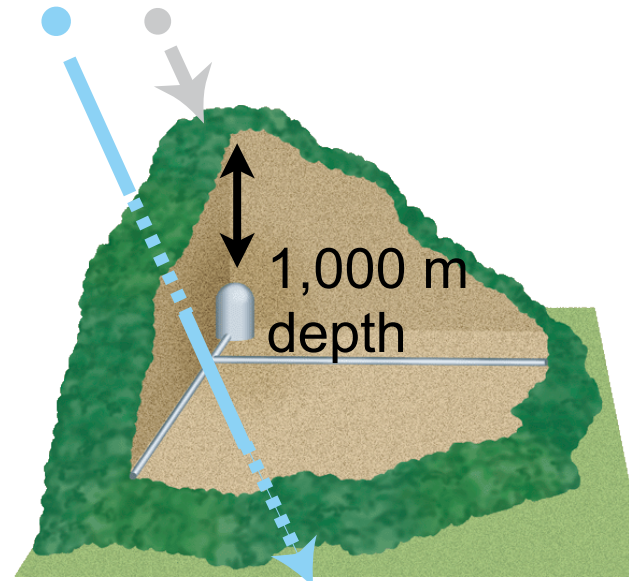
# KamLAND

operated since 2002



**~500 p.e./MeV  
high light yield**

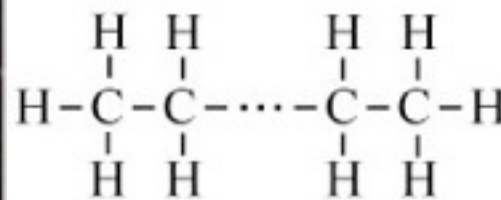
neutrino, cosmic-ray



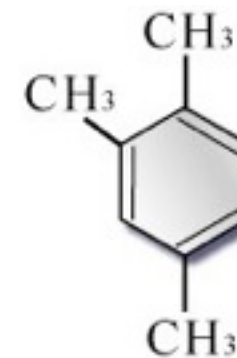
**large volume**

**1,000 ton Liquid Scintillator**

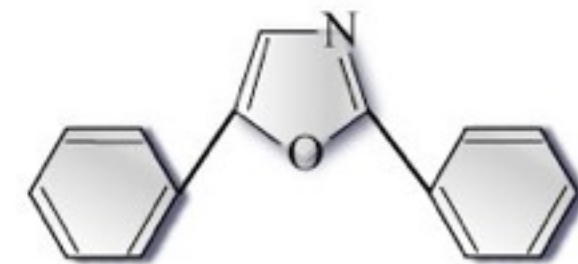
Dodecane (80%) Pseudocumene (20%) PPO (1.36 g/l)



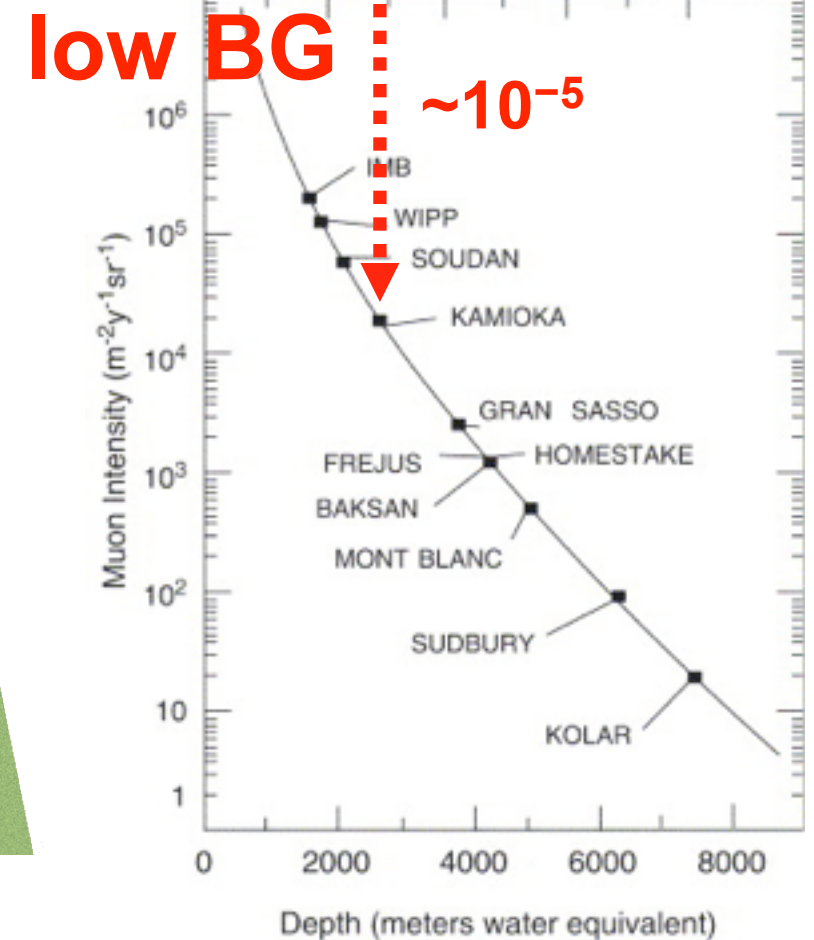
Dodecane (C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>26</sub>) : 80%



Pseudocumene : 20%  
(1,2,4-Trimethyl Benzene)



PPO : 1.5 g / l  
(2,5-Diphenyloxazole)

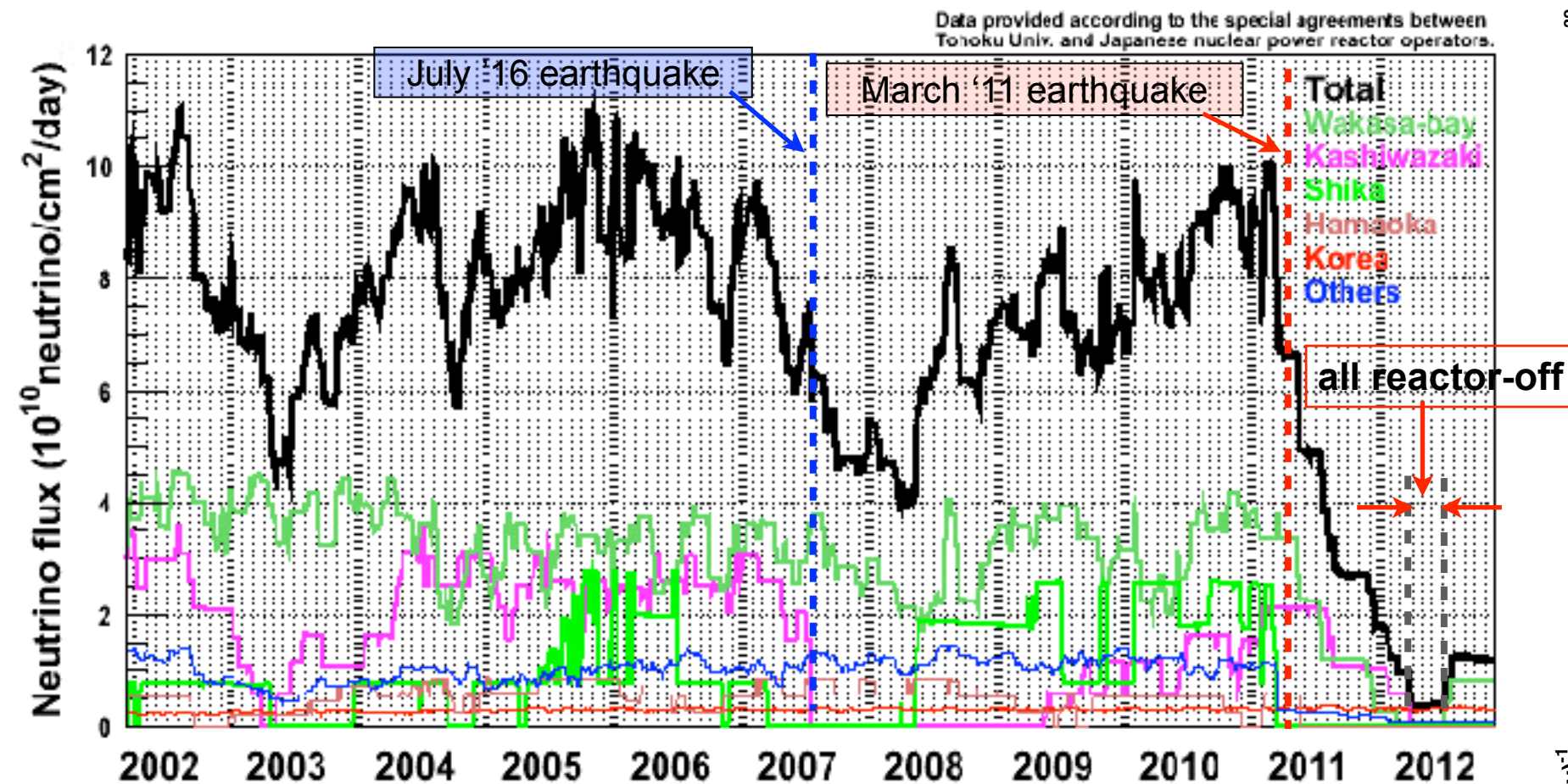


**1,325 17 inch + 554 20 inch PMTs**



# Anti-Neutrino Flux in Kamioka

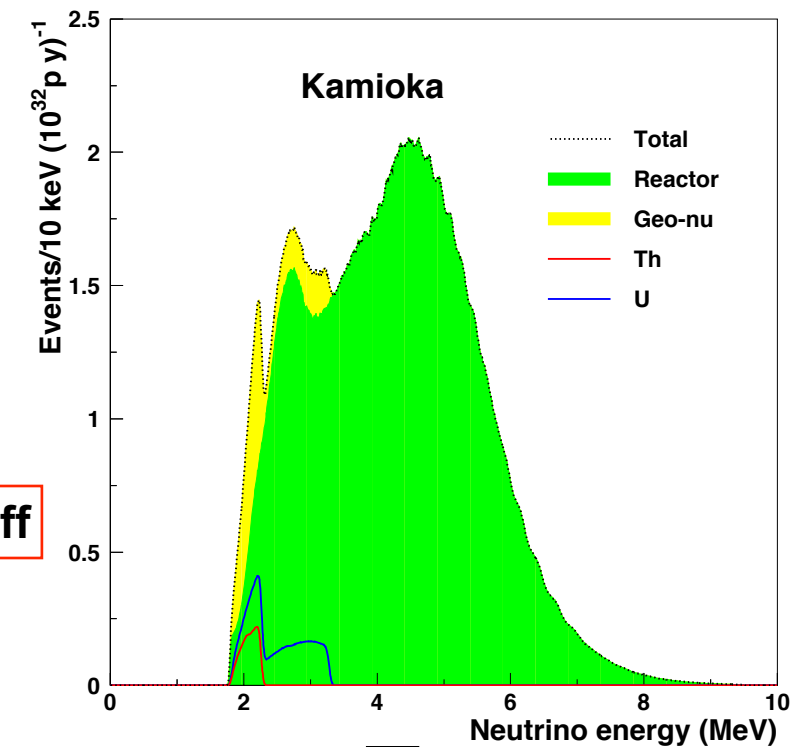
time variation of reactor anti-neutrino flux



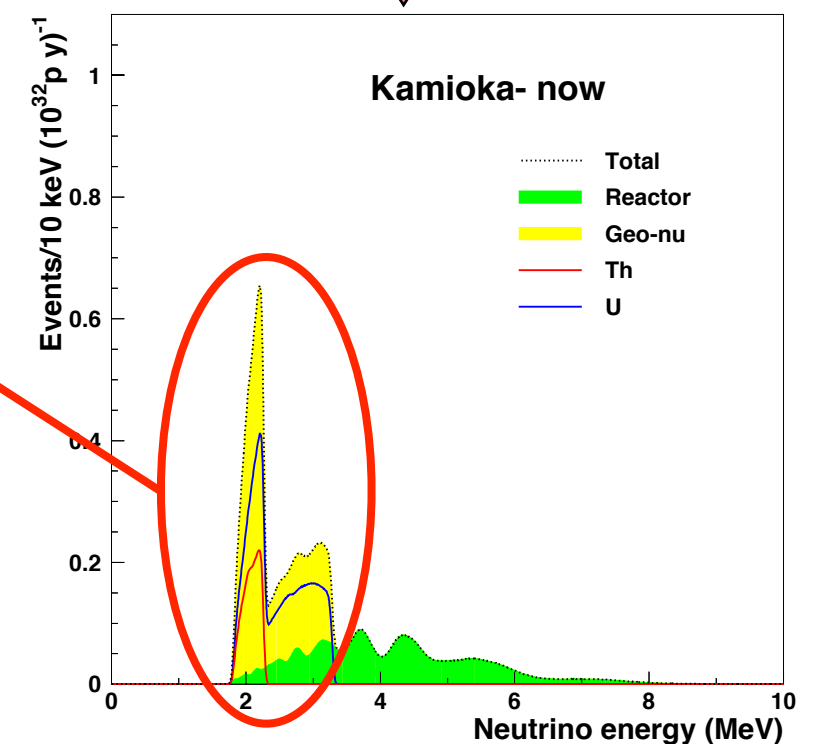
significant reduction of anti-neutrino flux from reactors after Fukushima-I accident

good data for geo neutrino observation

“Reactor on-off” study for neutrino oscillation and geo neutrino analysis



decrease of reactor neutrino



# Time Variation of Event Rate

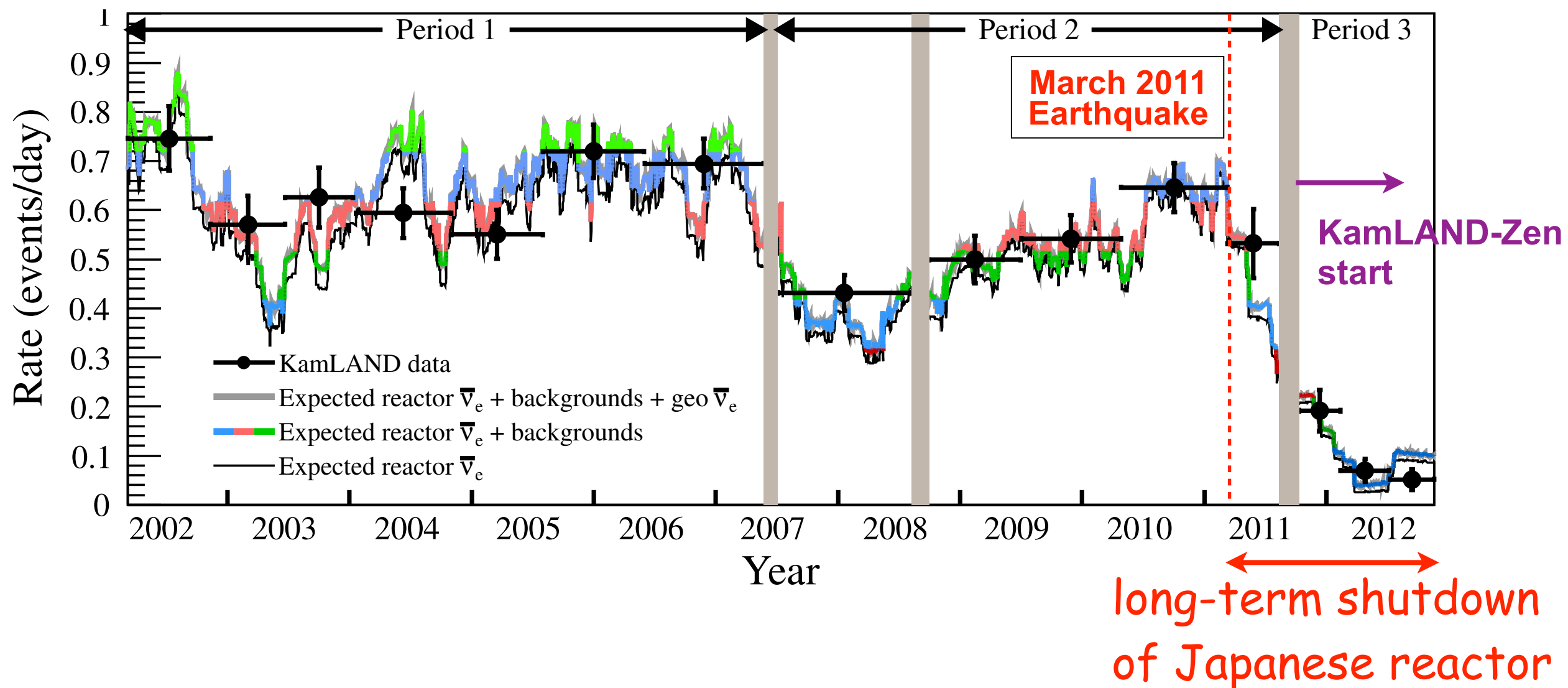
Total livetime  
2991 days

Period 1: Mar. 2002 - May 2007

Period 2: May 2007 - Aug. 2011 (after LS purification)

Period 3: Oct. 2011 - Nov. 2012 (after KamLAND-Zen start)

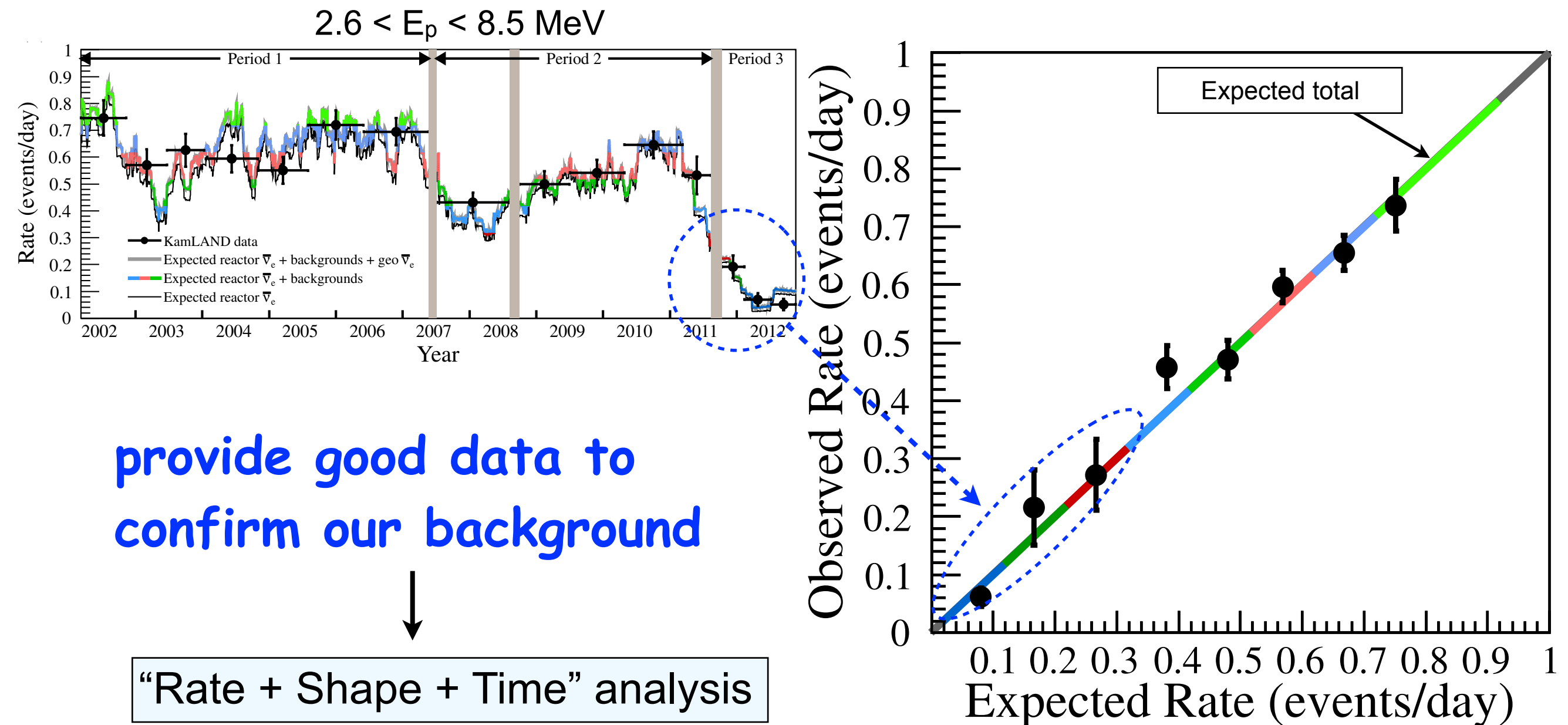
$$2.6 < E_p < 8.5 \text{ MeV}$$



Data have good agreement with expected rate



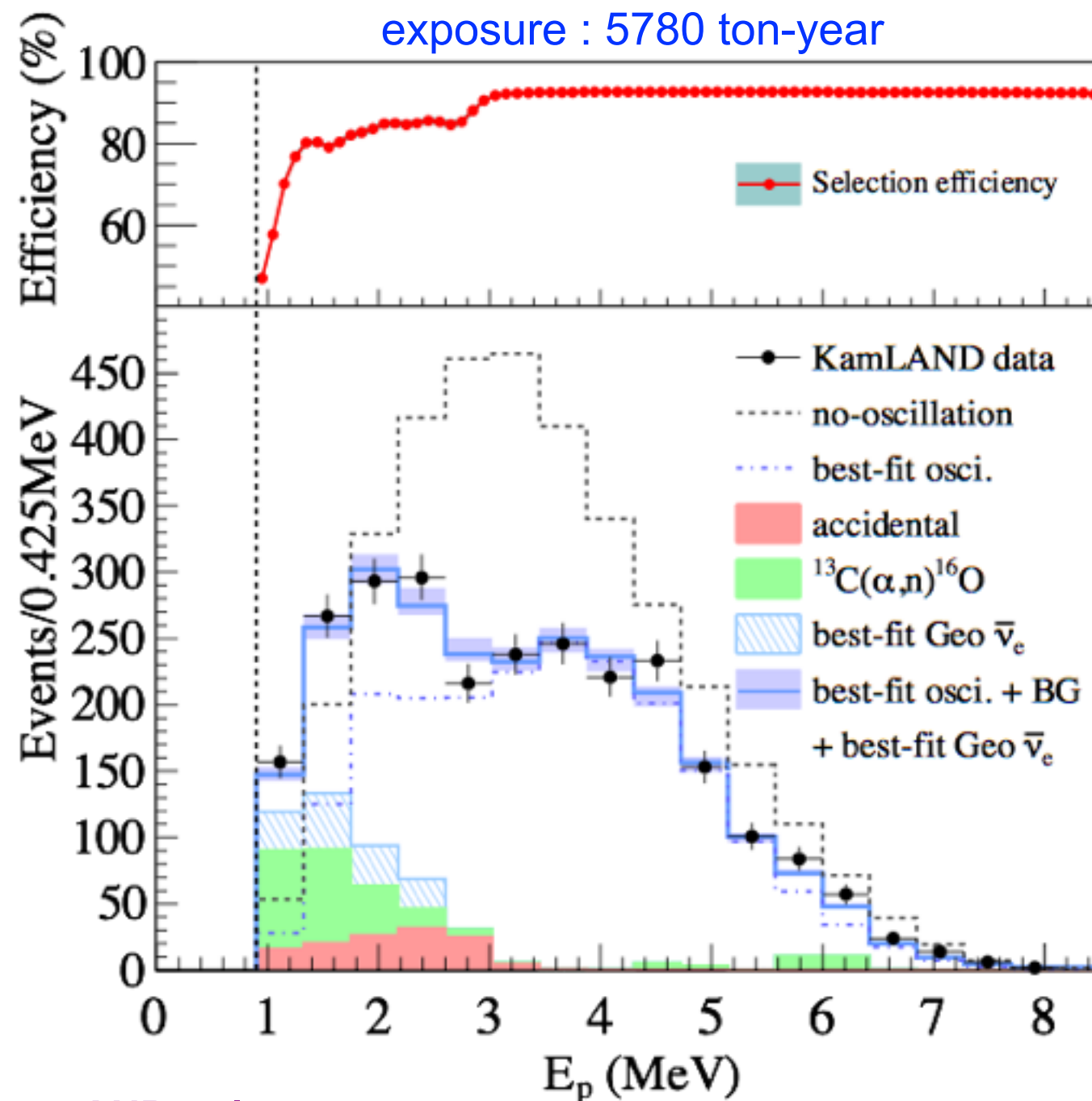
# Correlation Plot



$$\begin{aligned}
 \chi^2 = & \chi_{\text{rate}}^2(\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{21}^2, N_{\text{BG}1 \rightarrow 5}, N_{\text{U,Th}}^{\text{geo}}, \alpha_{1 \rightarrow 4}) \\
 & - 2 \ln L_{\text{shape}}(\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{21}^2, N_{\text{BG}1 \rightarrow 5}, N_{\text{U,Th}}^{\text{geo}}, \alpha_{1 \rightarrow 4}) \\
 & + \chi_{\text{BG}}^2(N_{\text{BG}1 \rightarrow 5}) + \chi_{\text{syst}}^2(\alpha_{1 \rightarrow 4}) \\
 & + \chi_{\text{osci}}^2(\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{21}^2) .
 \end{aligned}$$

**time dependent**

# Observed Energy Spectrum



**KamLAND only**

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.54_{-0.18}^{+0.19} \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.481_{-0.080}^{+0.092}$$

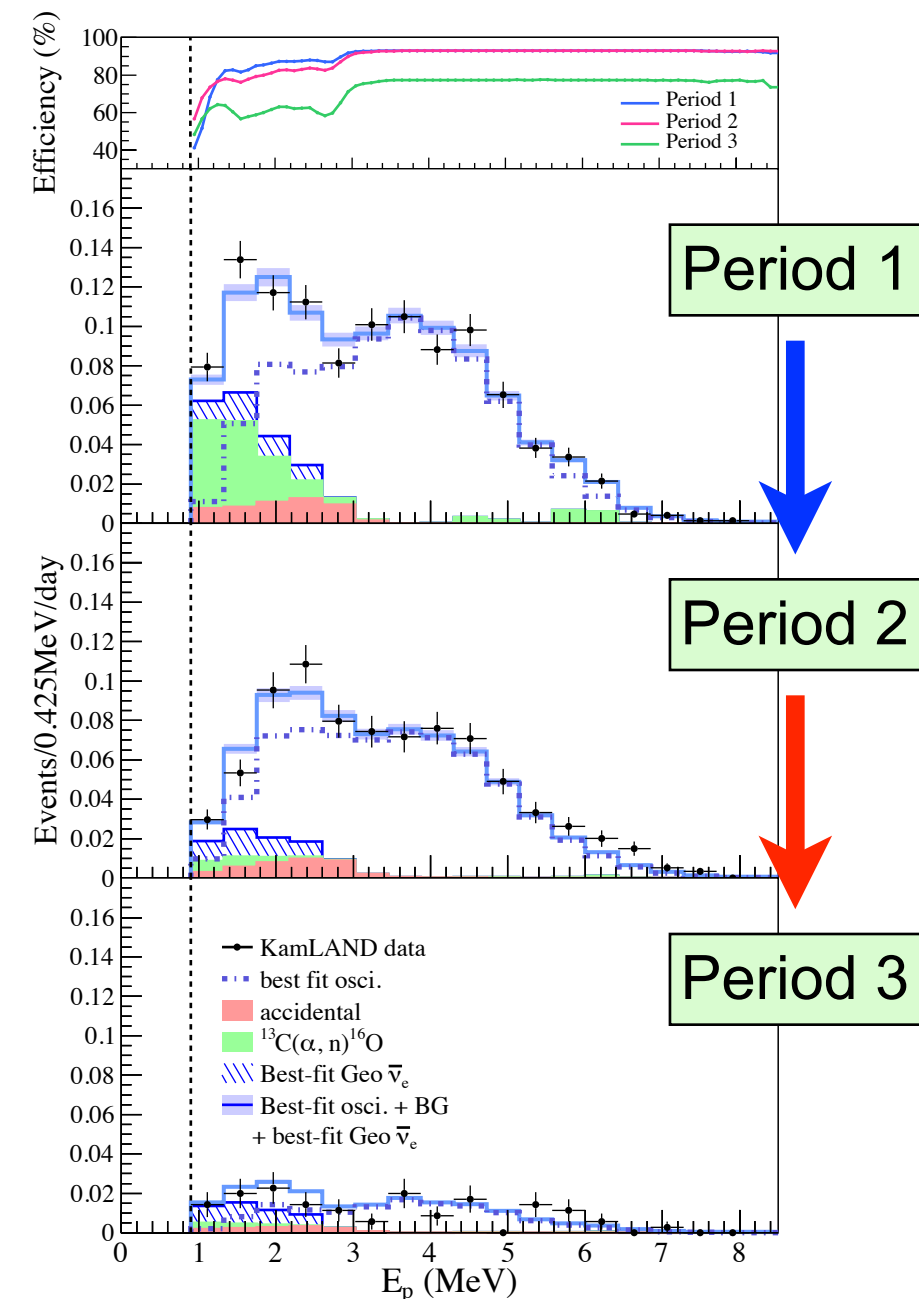
$$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.010_{-0.034}^{+0.033}$$

**No osci. expected**  $3564 \pm 145$

**Background**  
(w/o geo neutrino)  $364 \pm 31$

**Observed events**  $2611$

**purification** (a,n) ↓  
**earthquake** reactor ↓

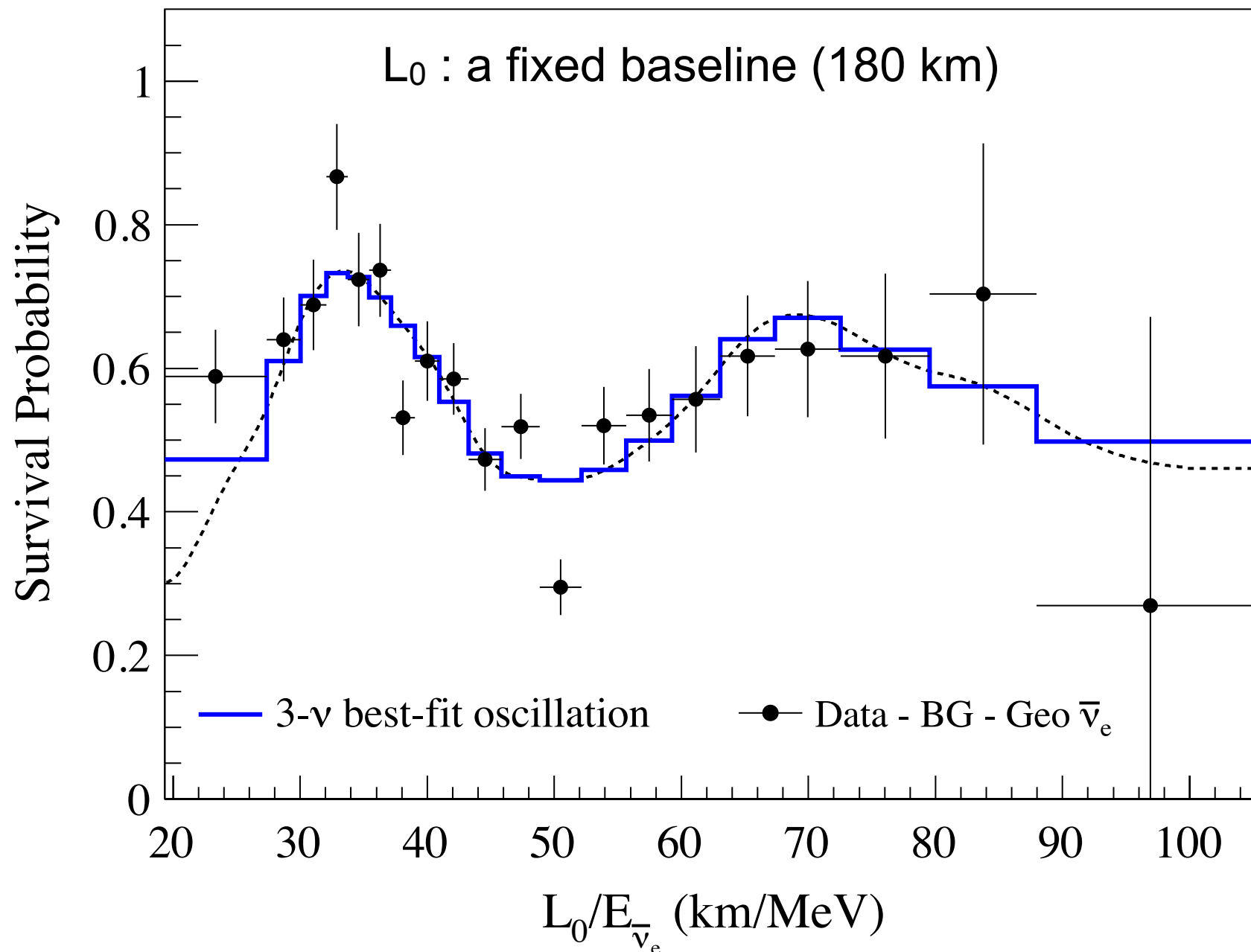


**significant reduction**



# L/E plot

$$P = (\text{observed} - \text{B.G.}) / (\text{no osci. expected})$$



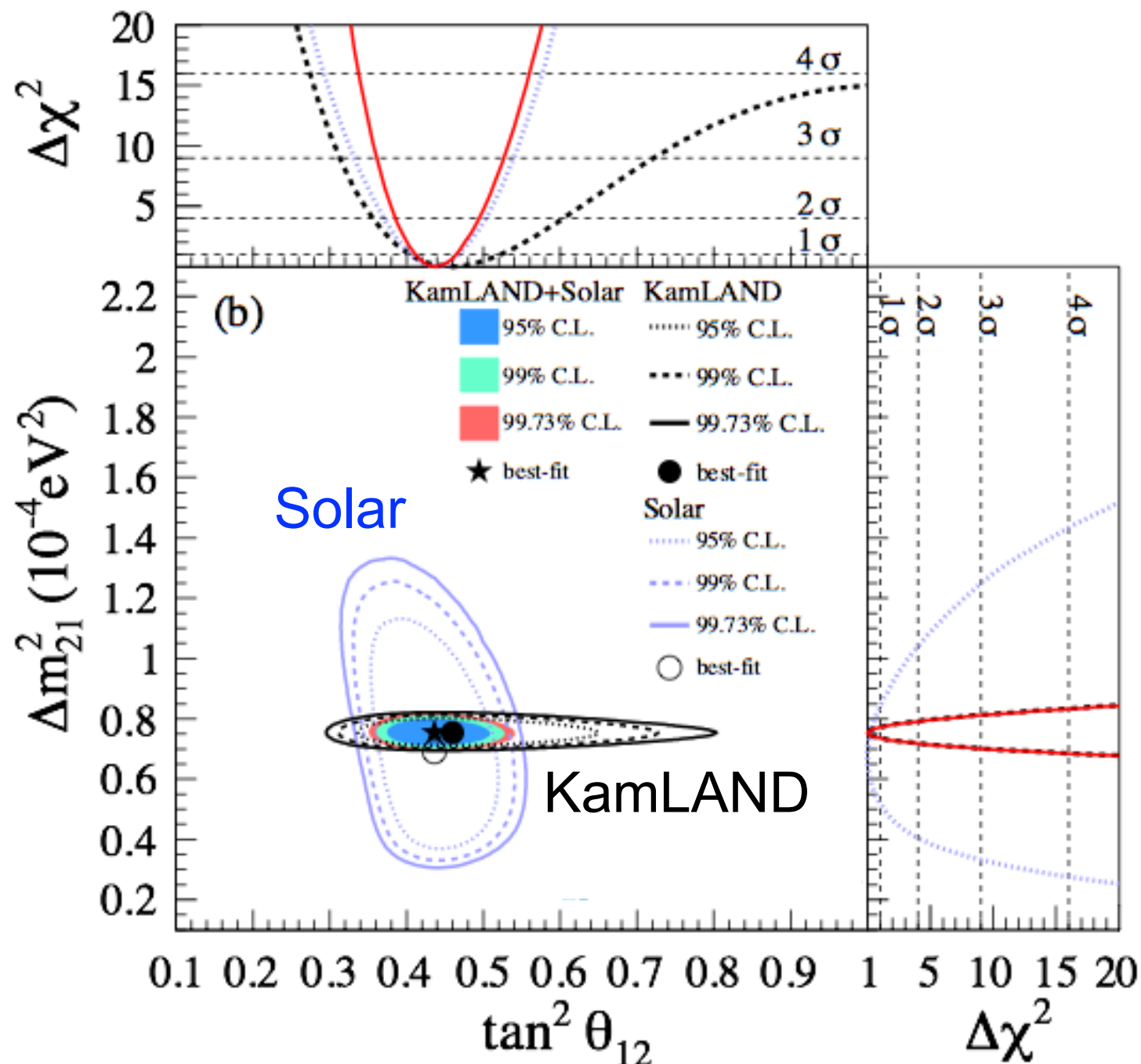
KamLAND data covers almost 2 cycle of oscillation

→ **strong evidence of neutrino oscillation**

# 3-Flavor Oscillation Parameters

$\theta_{12}$ : **Solar** constraint is dominant

$\Delta m^2$ : **KamLAND** constraint is dominant



**survival probability**

$$P_{ee}^{3\nu} = \cos^4 \theta_{13} P_{e'e'}^{2\nu} + \sin^4 \theta_{13}$$

**electron density**

**matter effect**

$$N_{e'} \rightarrow N_e \cos^2 \theta_{13}$$

atmospheric oscillation length  
is completely averaged out

~~$\Delta m_{31}^2$~~

**solar + KamLAND +  $\theta_{13}$  experiments**

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.53_{-0.18}^{+0.18} \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$$

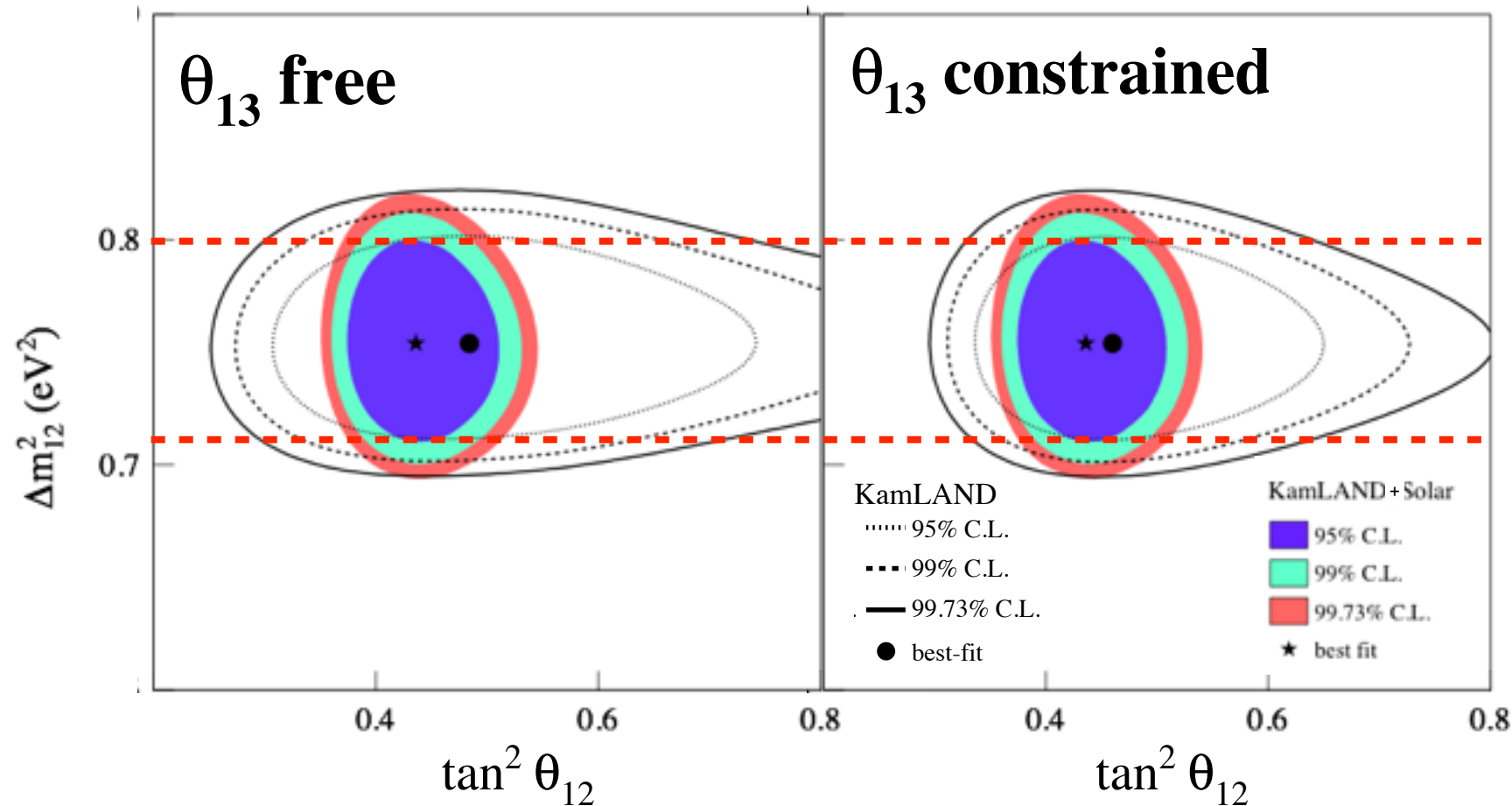
$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.436_{-0.025}^{+0.029}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.023_{-0.002}^{+0.002}$$

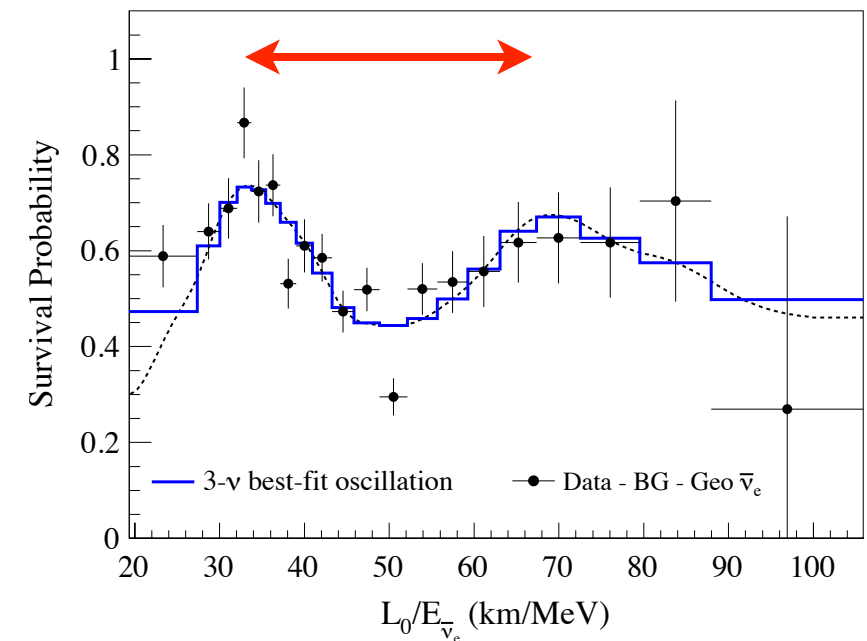


# Precise Measurement of $\Delta m^2$

$\Delta m^2$ : systematic uncertainty 1.9%  
(dominated by linear energy scale uncertainty)



frequency meas.  
by KamLAND



KamLAND+Solar

$$\Delta m^2_{21} = 7.53^{+0.19}_{-0.18} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.437^{+0.029}_{-0.026}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.023^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$$

KamLAND+Solar+ $\theta_{13}$

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$\theta_{13}$  constraint

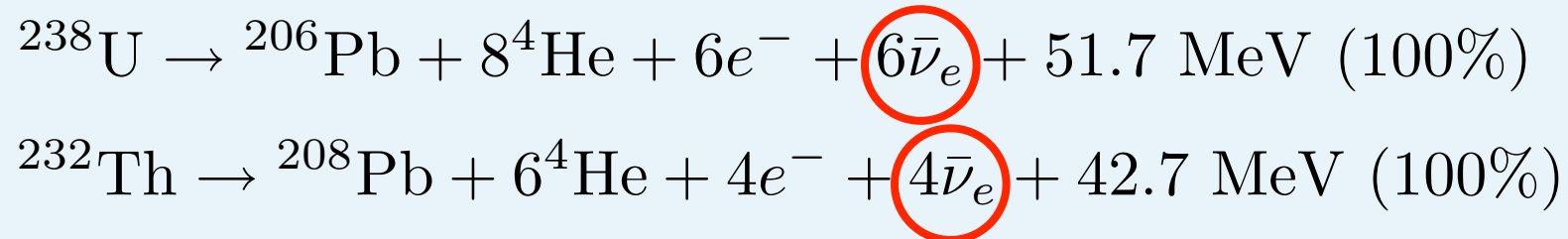
← insensitive

← no strong impact

$\Delta m^2$  is measured at 2.3% precision

# Geo Neutrino

## Radioactive decay in the Earth (Uranium, Thorium)



Bulk Silicate Earth (BSE) model

U : 8 TW

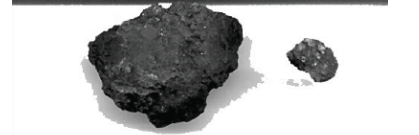
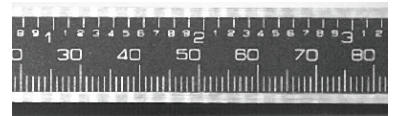
Th : 8 TW

K : 4 TW

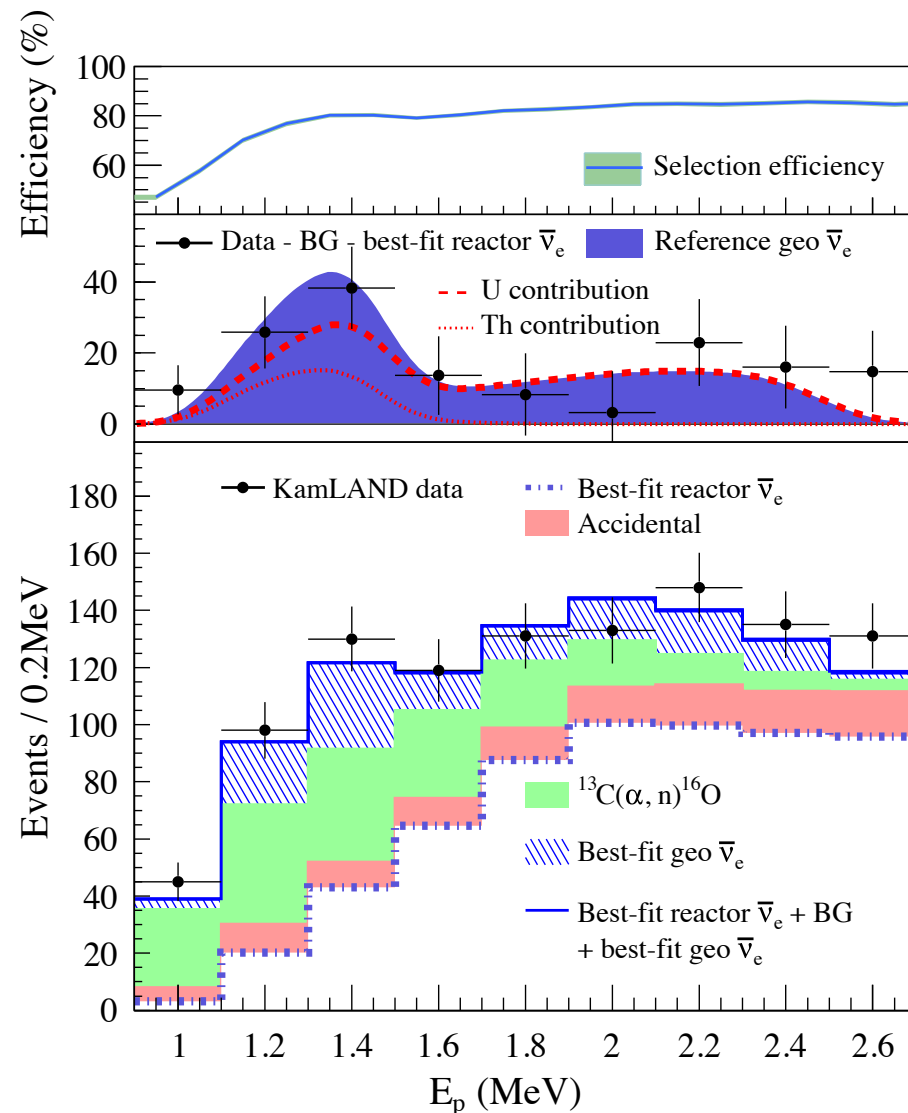
Total ~ **20 TW**

Geochemical model

chondrite meteorite



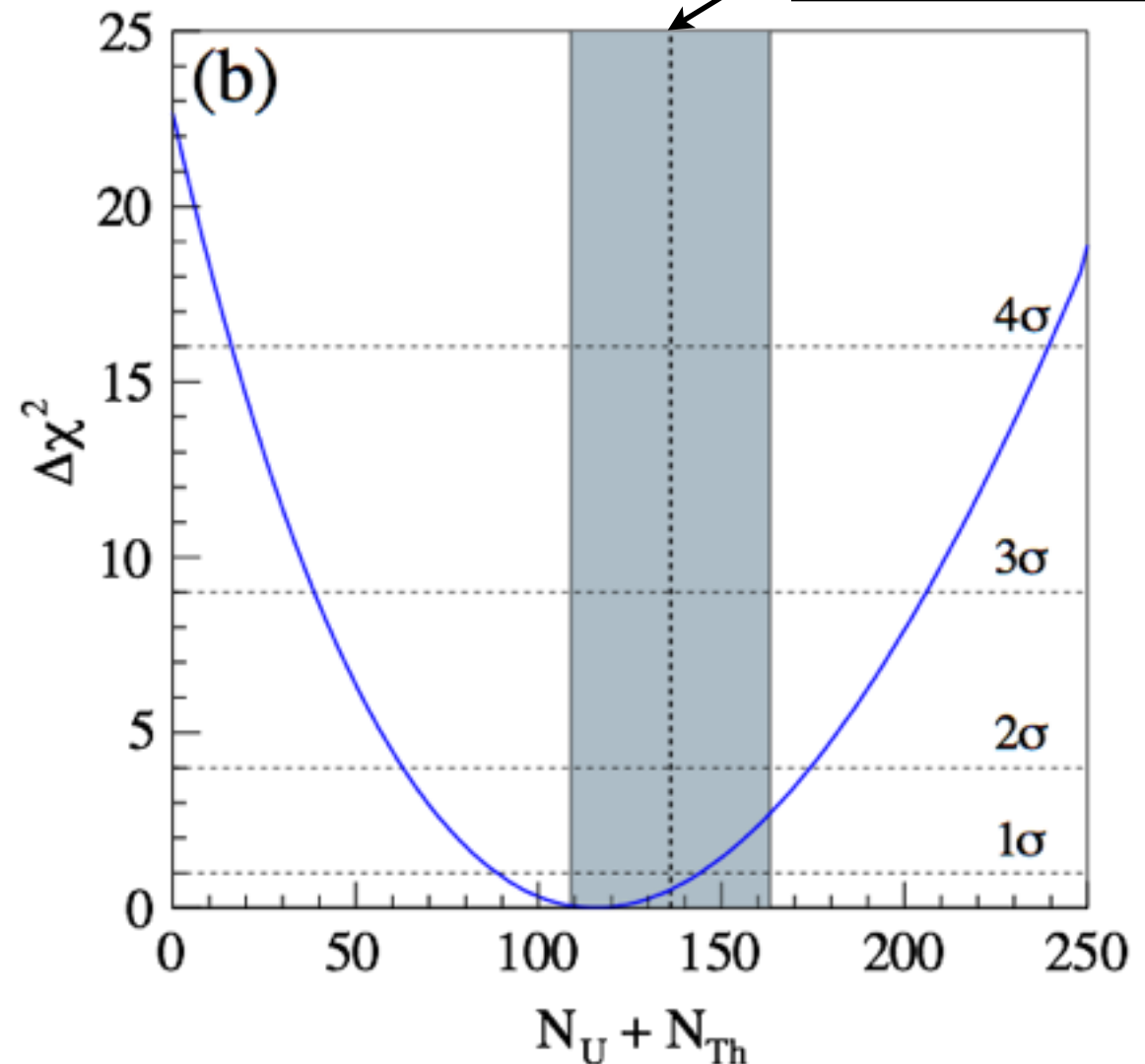
earth model prediction  
EPSL 258, 147 (2007)



U/Th ratio fixed

$$N_{\text{geo}} = 116_{-27}^{+28} \text{ events}$$

$$F_{\text{geo}} = 3.4_{-0.8}^{+0.8} \times 10^6 \text{ /cm}^2\text{/sec} \quad (30.7_{-7.3}^{+7.5} \text{ TNU})$$





# Earth Model Comparison

## Three classes BSE compositional estimates

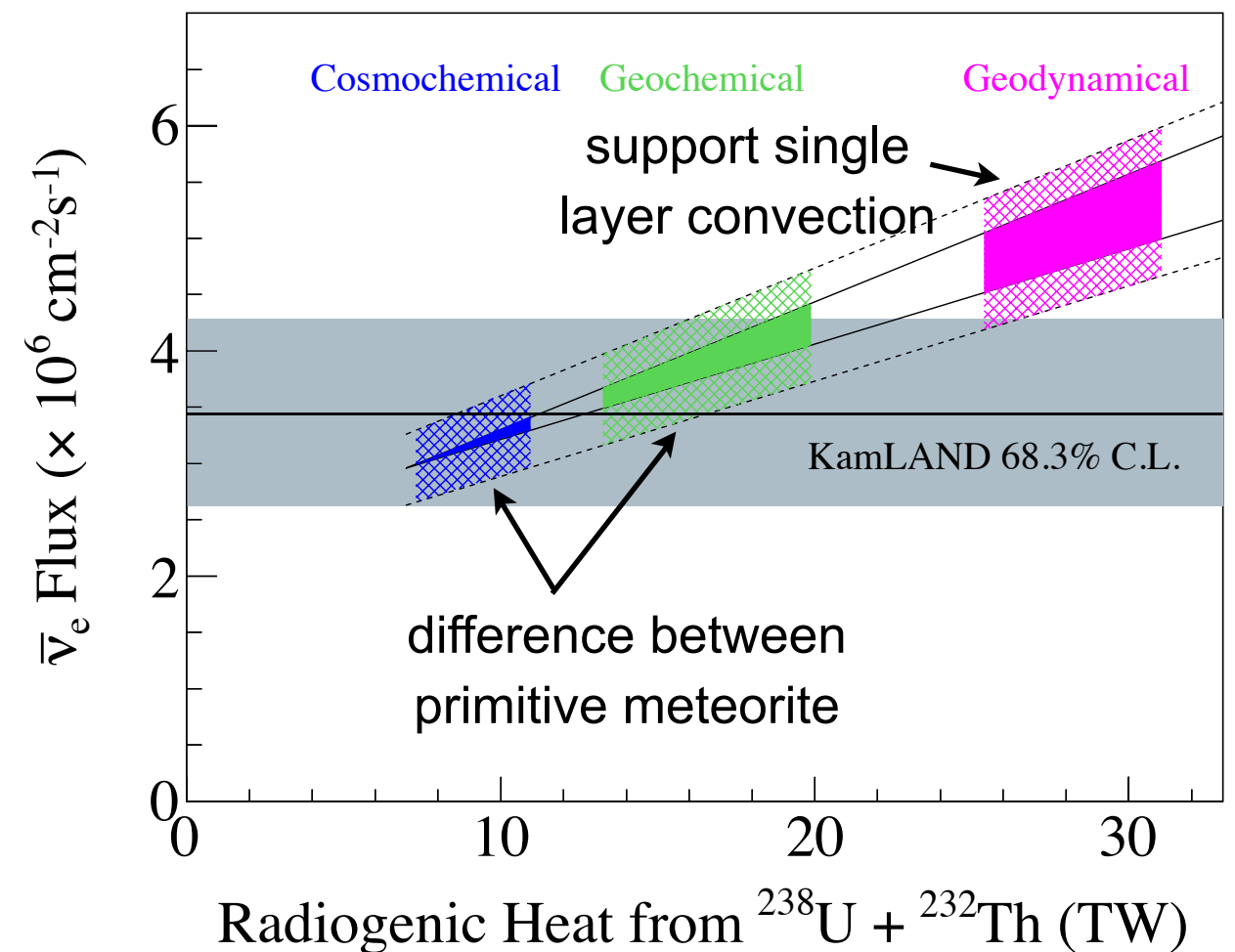
O. Šrámek et al. Earth. Plan. Sci. Letters 361 (2013) 356–366

Model	Cosmochem.	Geochem.	Geodyn.
A	$12 \pm 2$	$20 \pm 4$	$35 \pm 4$
A	$43 \pm 4$	$80 \pm 13$	$140 \pm 14$
A	$146 \pm 29$	$280 \pm 60$	$350 \pm 35$
Th/U	3.5	4	4
K/U	12000	14000	10000
Tot. Power (TW)	$11 \pm 2$	$20 \pm 4$	$33 \pm 3$
Mantle power (TW)	$3.3 \pm 2.0$	$12 \pm 4$	$25 \pm 3$
Mantle Urey ratio	$0.08 \pm 0.05$	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	$0.7 \pm 0.1$

KamLAND result

**radiogenic**  $14.2^{+7.9}_{-5.1}$  TW

heat flow from  
Earth's surface  $47 \pm 2$  TW



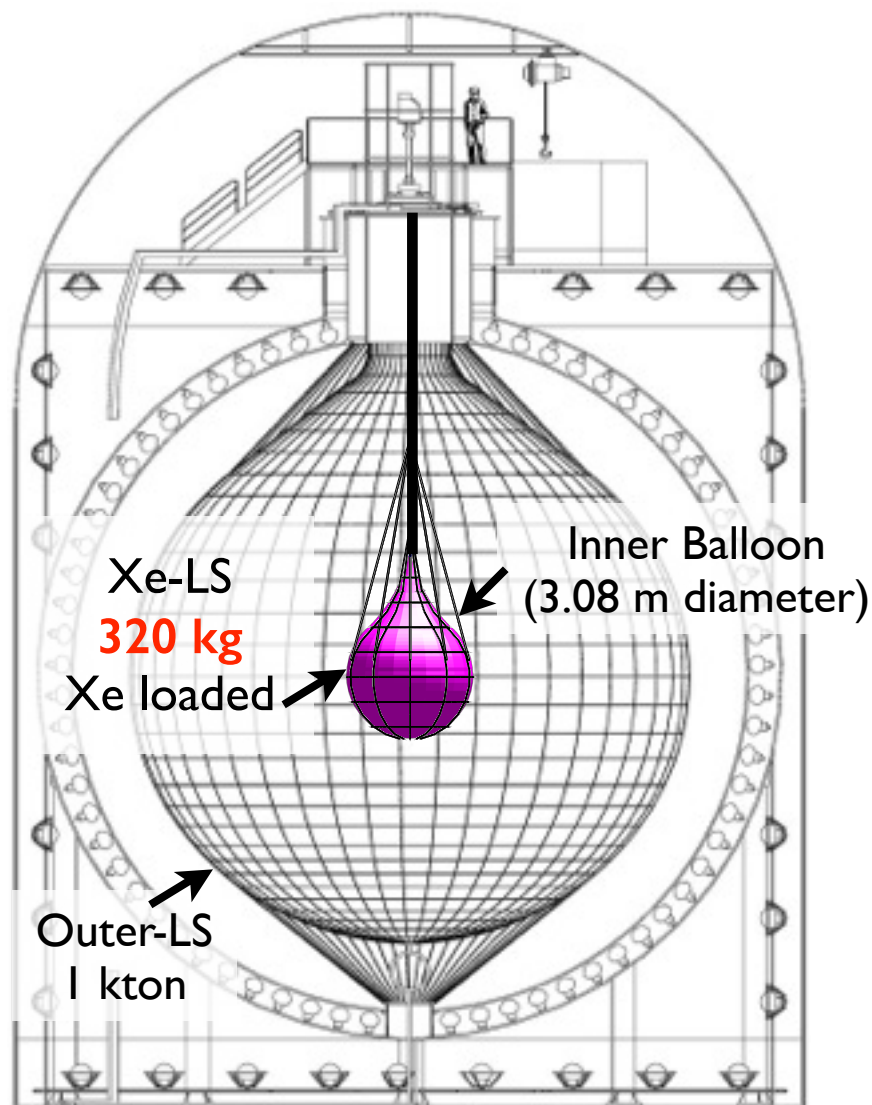
Geodynamical prediction with homogeneous hypothesis is disfavored at **89% C.L.**

All composition models are still consistent within  $\sim 2\sigma$

**Geo-v measurement is in agreement with BSE models**

# KamLAND-Zen Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector Zero Neutrino Double Beta

## KamLAND-Zen Phase I



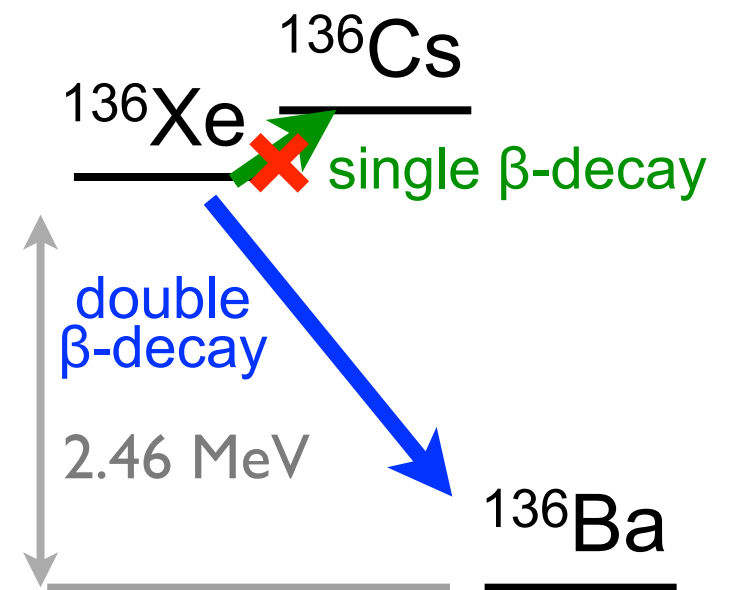
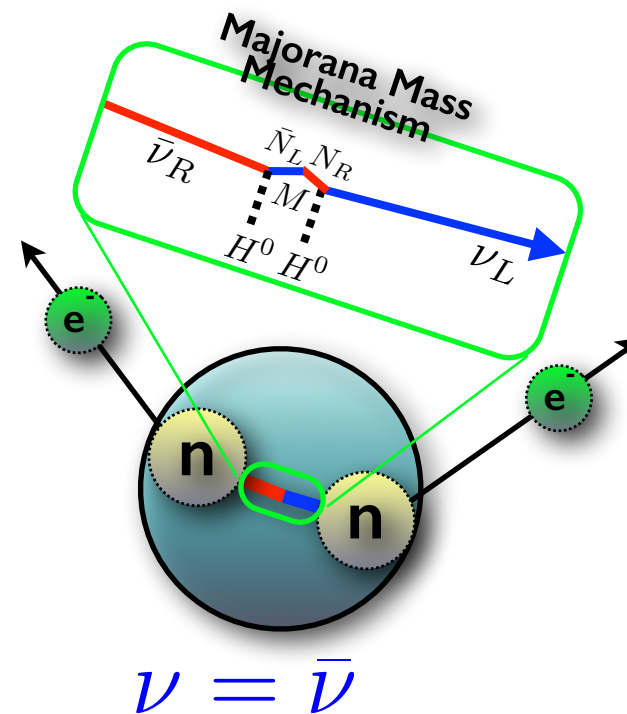
### Xenon loaded LS (Xe-LS)

decane	82%
pseudo-cumene	18%
PPO	2.7 g/liter
xenon	2.44 wt%

$$\sigma_E(2.5\text{MeV}) = 4\%$$

## Advantage of KamLAND

- running detector : start quickly with relatively low cost
  - big and pure : no BG from external gamma-rays
  - purification of LS, replacement of mini-balloon are possible
- **high scalability** (a few ton of Xe)



KamLAND-Zen : funded in 2009 / Fabrication in 2010-2011

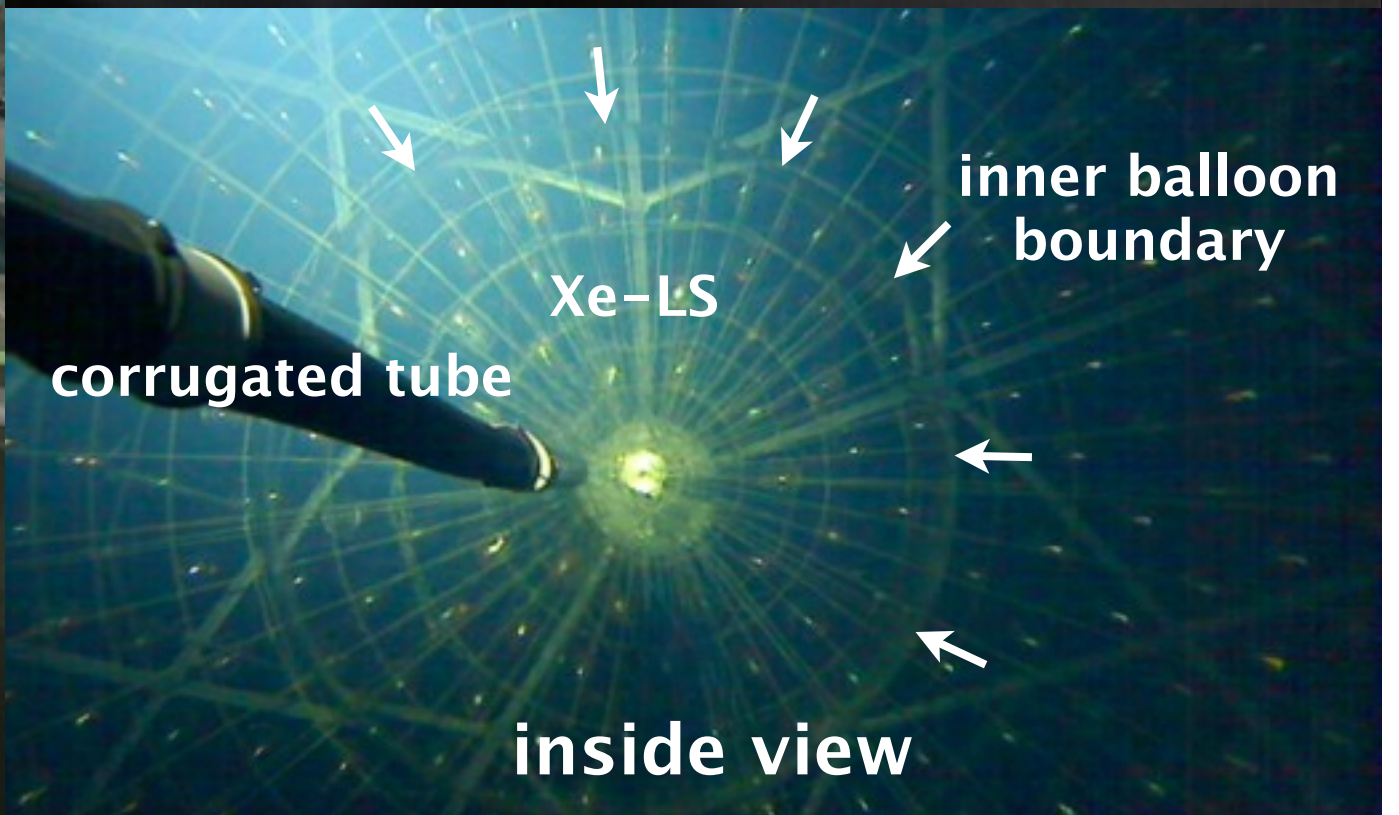
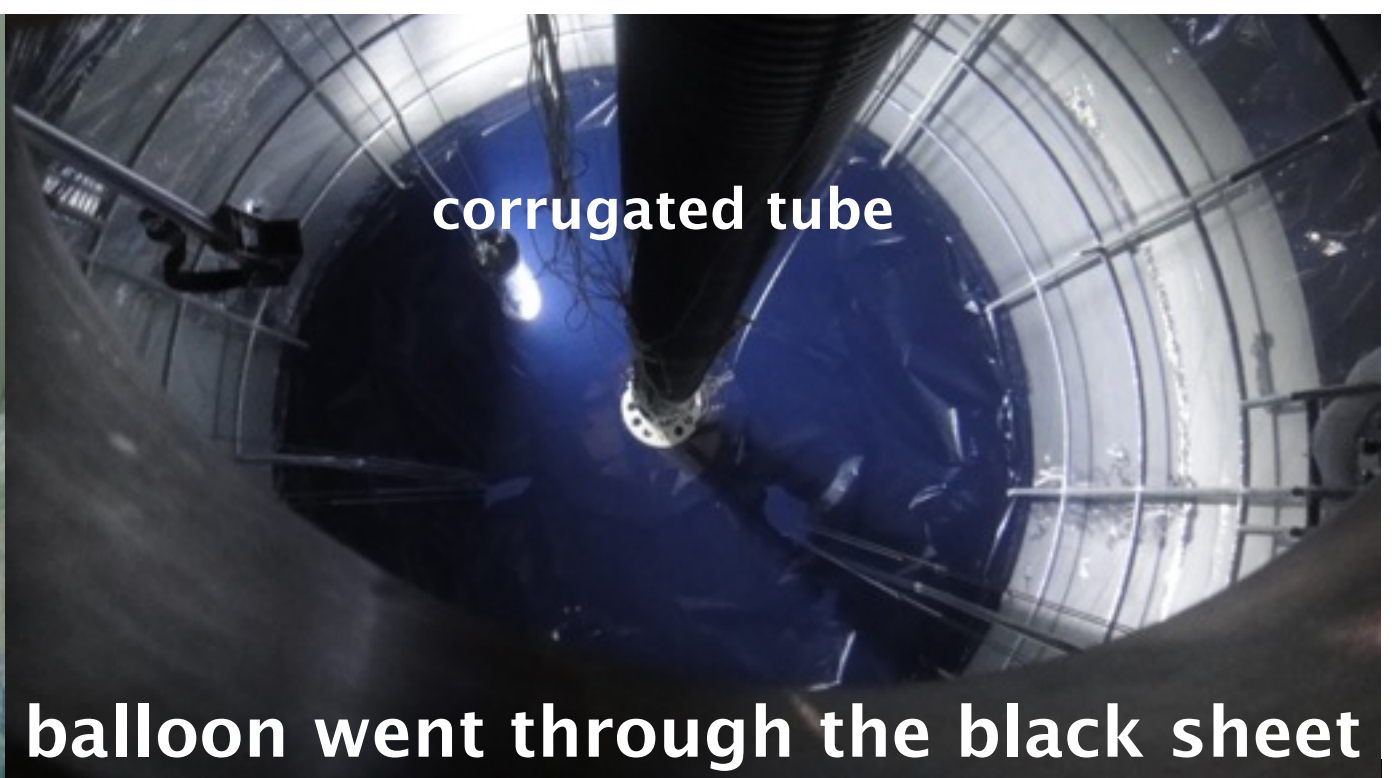
Start phase 1 : 320 kg Xe start in Sep. 2011

Purification activity in Jun. 2012 (~1.5 year)

Start phase 2 : 383 kg Xe start in Dec. 2013



# Construction in 2011

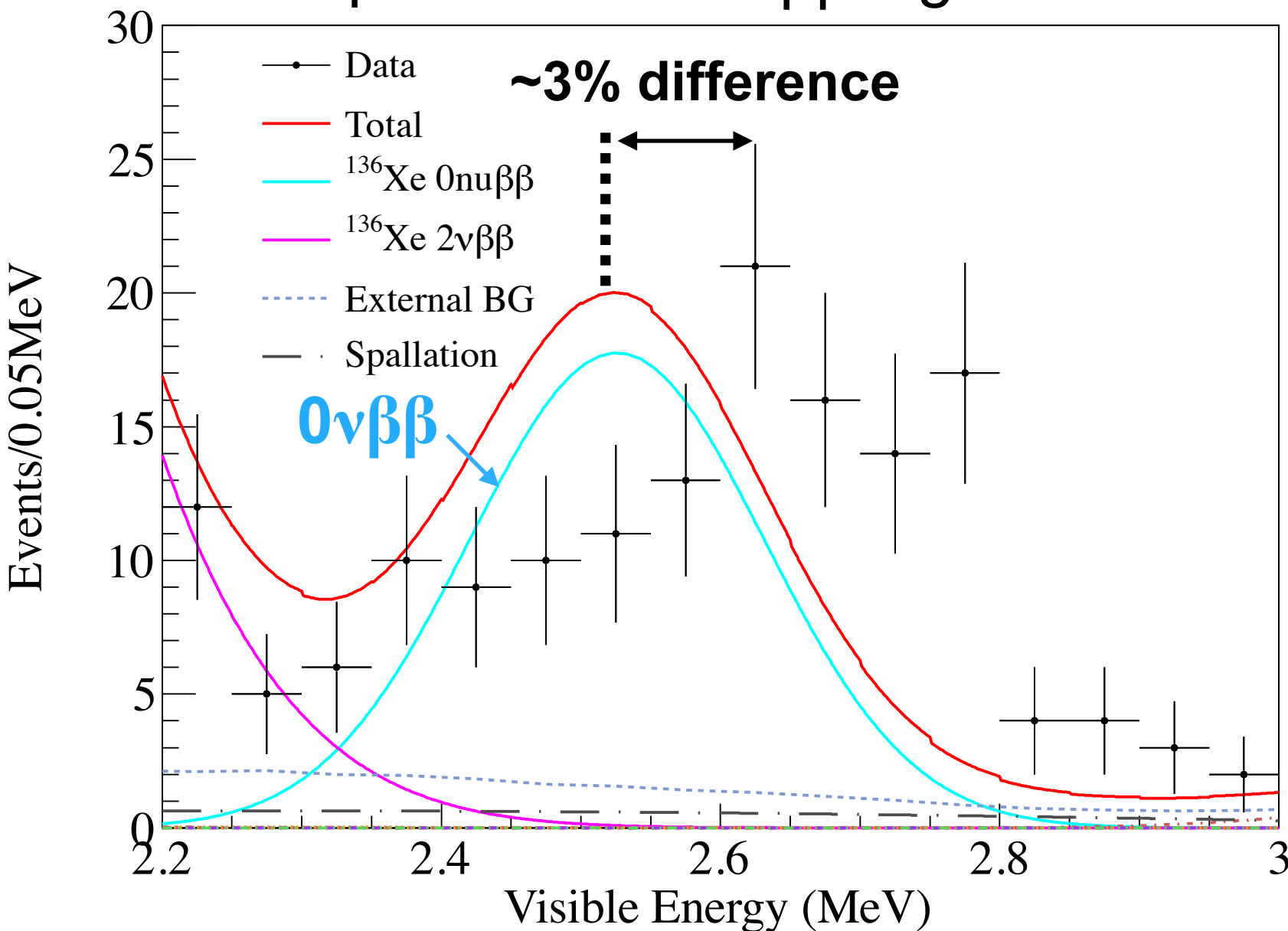




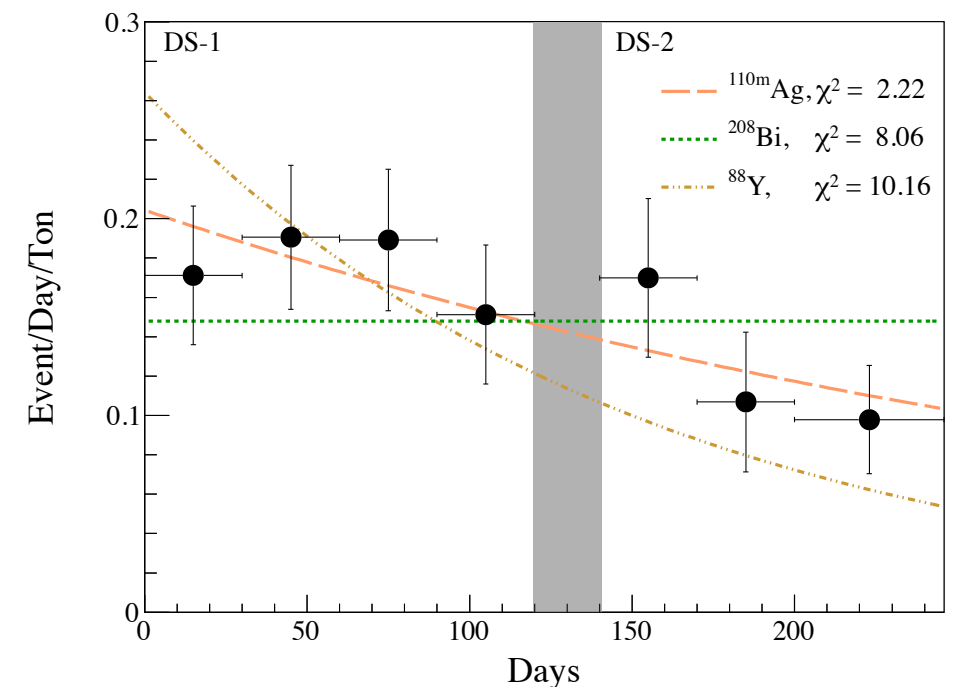
# Unexpected Background for $0\nu\beta\beta$

Phase 1 (first 112.3 days)

peak fit with  $0\nu\beta\beta$  signal



event rate variation ( $2.2 < E < 3.0$  MeV)



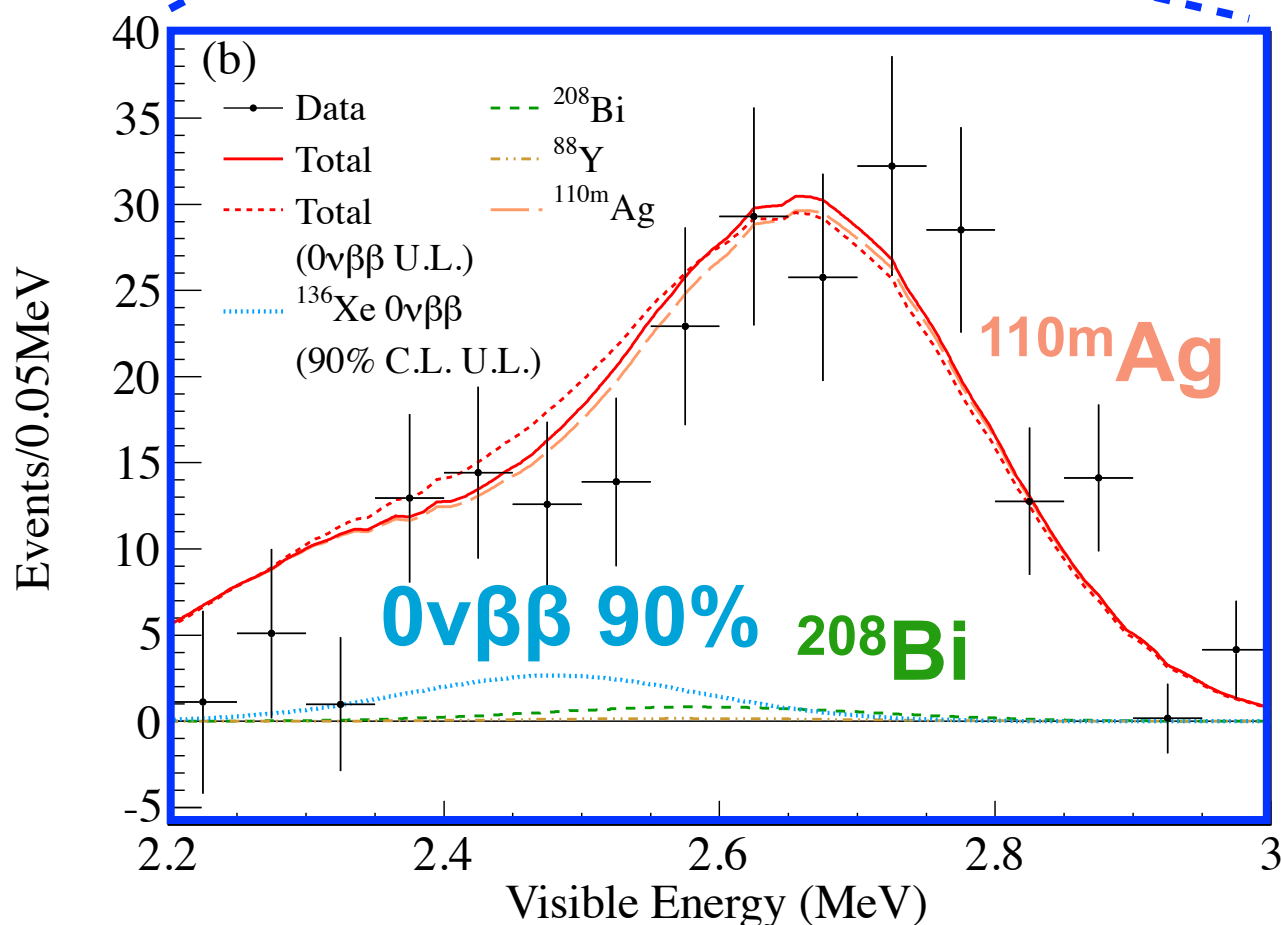
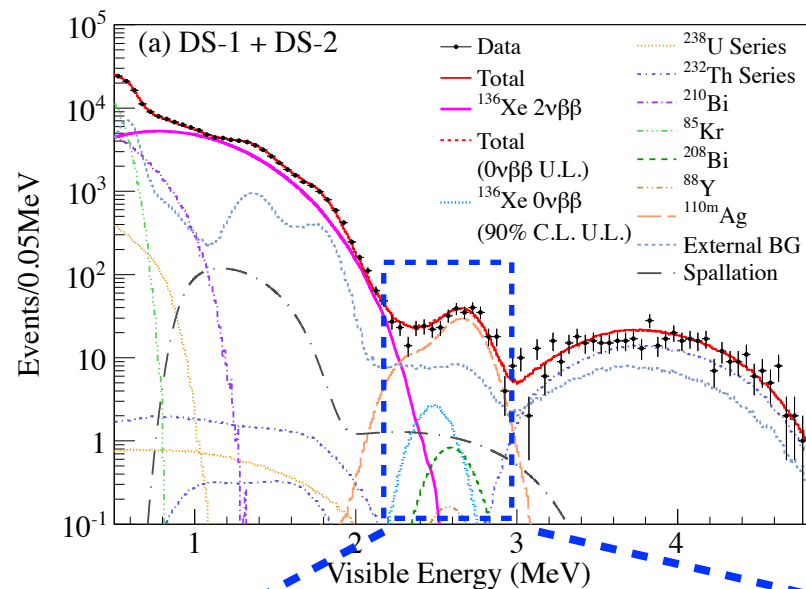
consistent with  $^{110\text{m}}\text{Ag}$  decay (250 days)

different peak position and time variation in event rate

$^{136}\text{Xe } 0\nu\beta\beta$  only is rejected at more than  $8\sigma$  level

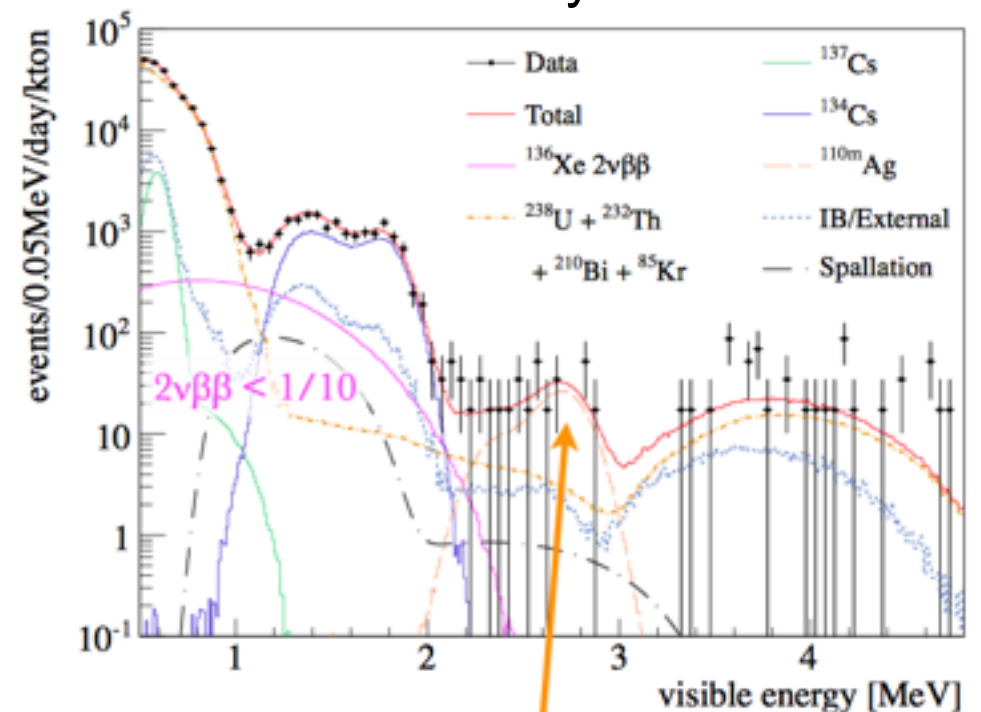
# Limit on half-life of $^{136}\text{Xe } 0\nu\beta\beta$

Phase 1 (213 days)



Xe extraction

15.5 days



remaining Ag BG around 2.6MeV

demonstration of Xe on-off measurement

89.5kg·yr

$$T^{0\nu}_{1/2} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr (90\% C.L.)}$$

# KamLAND-Zen Phase 1 (2012)

$$T_{1/2} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr (KL-Zen)}$$

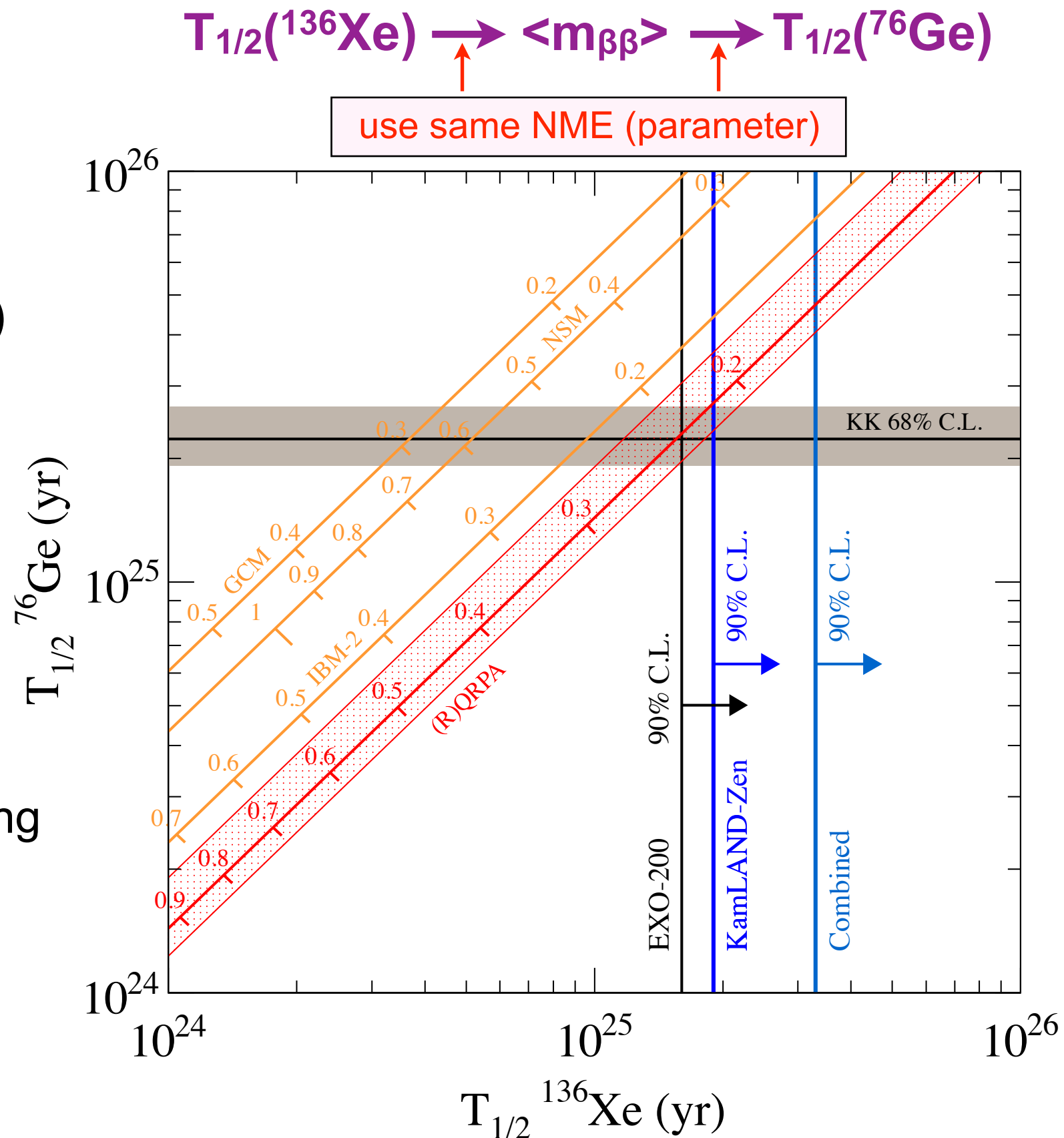
$$\downarrow + \text{EXO-200}$$

$$T_{1/2} > 3.4 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr (combined)}$$

uncertainty from NME

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < 120 - 250 \text{ meV (90\% C.L.)}$$

It is **inconsistent with KK claim**  
at more than 97.5% C.L. assuming  
light Majorana neutrino and  
available nuclear models





# Improvement Efforts after Phase 1

## 1. Remove radioactive impurities by Xe-LS purification

candidates of  $\sim 2.6$  MeV peak

→ only 4 nuclei  $^{110m}\text{Ag}$  (250 d),  $^{208}\text{Bi}$  ( $3.68 \times 10^5$  yr),  $^{88}\text{Y}$  (107 d),  $^{60}\text{Co}$  (5.27 yr)  
lifetime longer than 30 days ↗ detected in Fukushima fallout

Two possible sources:

- (1) contamination by Fukushima-I reactor fallout
- (2) cosmogenic Xe spallation while above ground

**“primary” background source ( $^{110m}\text{Ag}$ )  
can be removed by Xe-LS purification**

## 2. Increase amount of Xenon

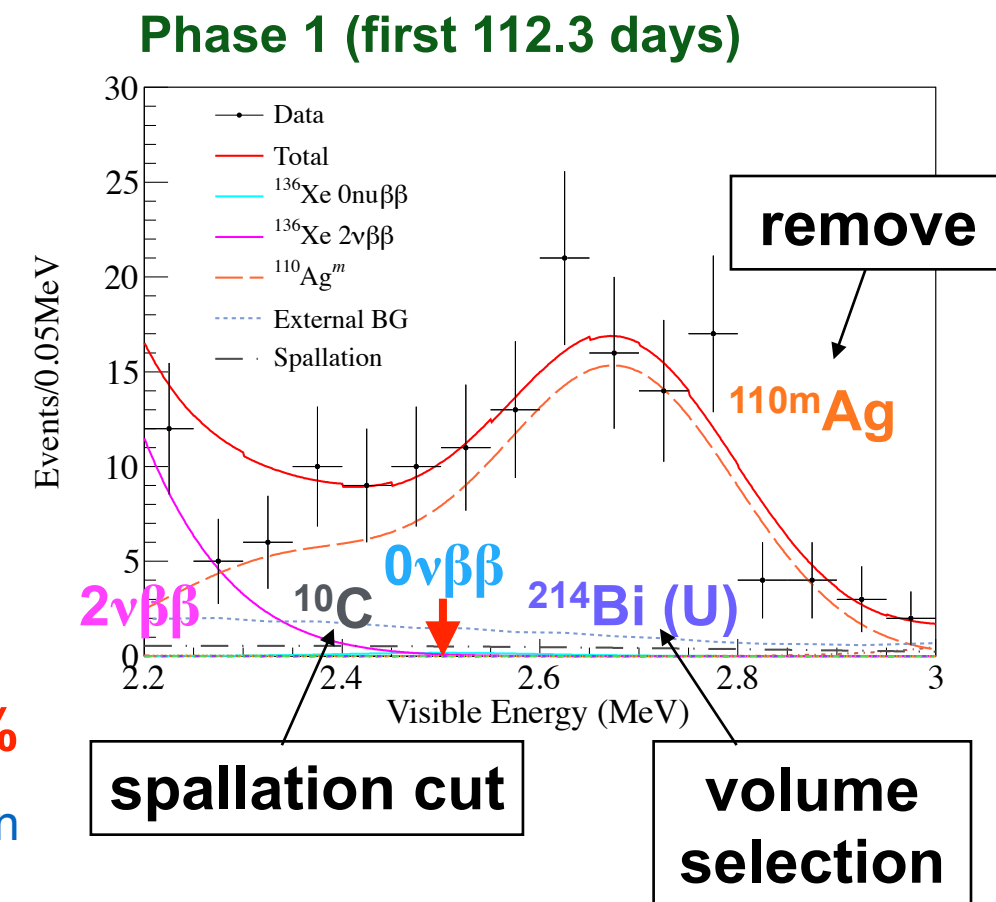
Xe concentration  $(2.44 \pm 0.01)$  wt%  $\rightarrow$   $(2.96 \pm 0.01)$  wt%  
increase of S/N  $\sim 1.2$  Xe-pressurized phase is a future option

## 3. Spallation cut after muon

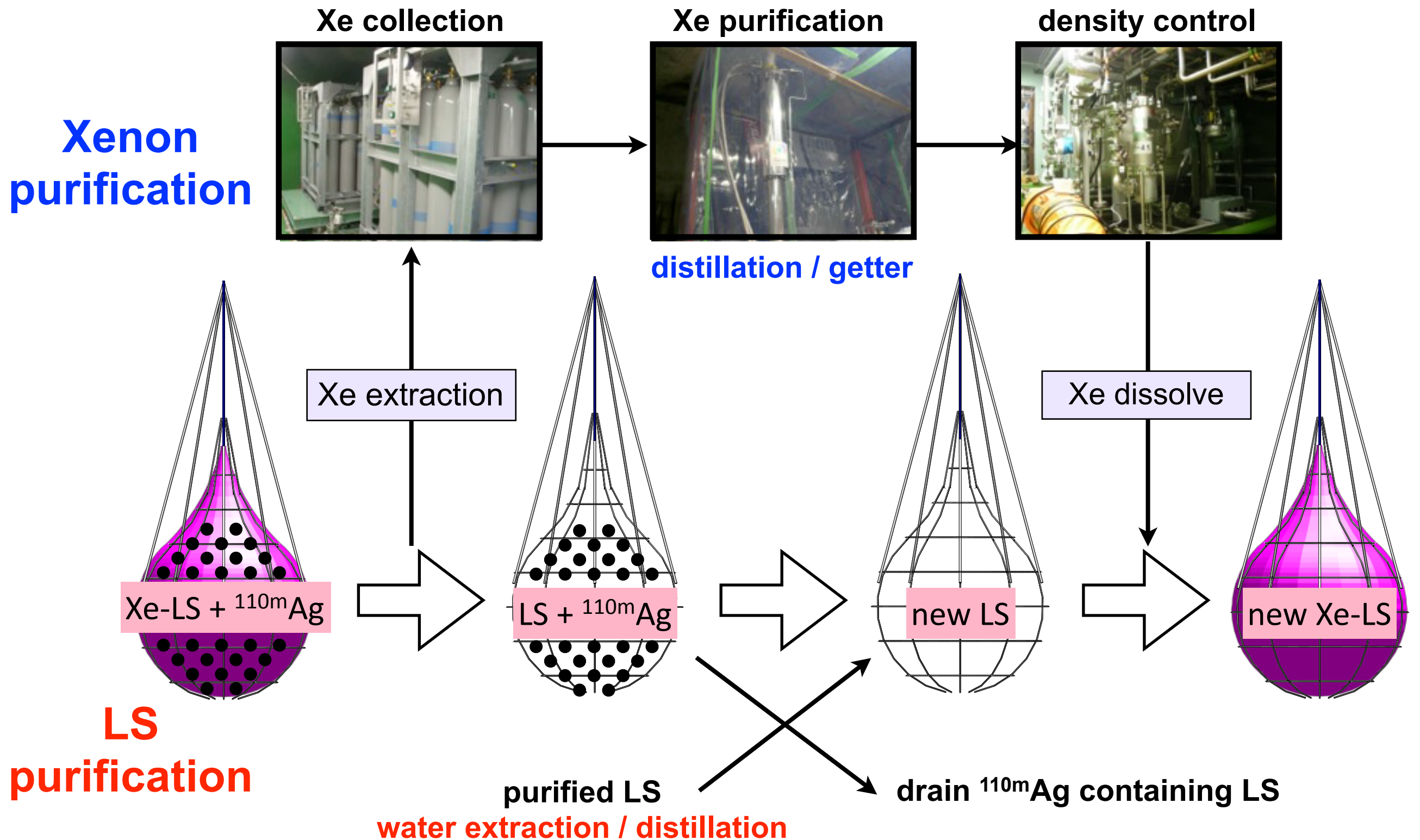
muon-neutron- $^{10}\text{C}$  ( $\tau = 27.8$  s) triple coincidence  $\rightarrow$   $^{10}\text{C}$  background rejection

## 4. Optimization of volume selection

fiducial volume limitation by  $^{214}\text{Bi}$  (U) on the balloon film  $\rightarrow$  multi-volume selection



# Purification Strategy

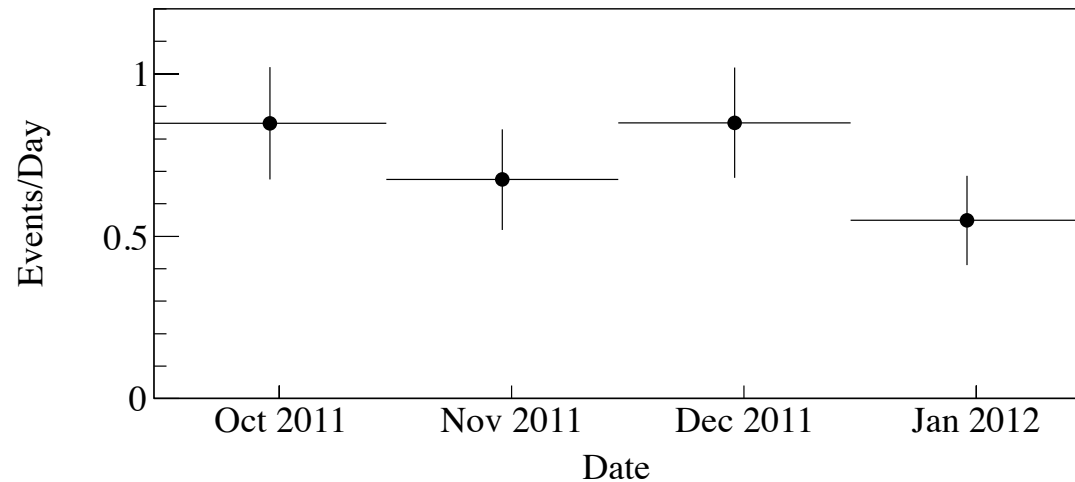


**1/3 - 1/4 reduction by one replacement**

# $^{110m}\text{Ag}$ Background Reduction

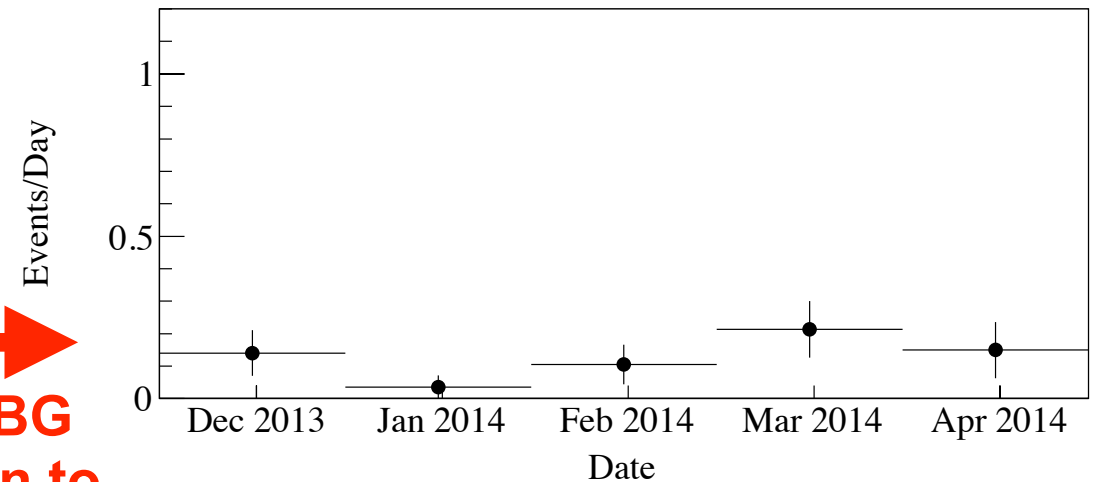
## Phase 1 (first 112.3 days)

$2.2 < E < 3.0 \text{ MeV}, R < 1 \text{ m}$

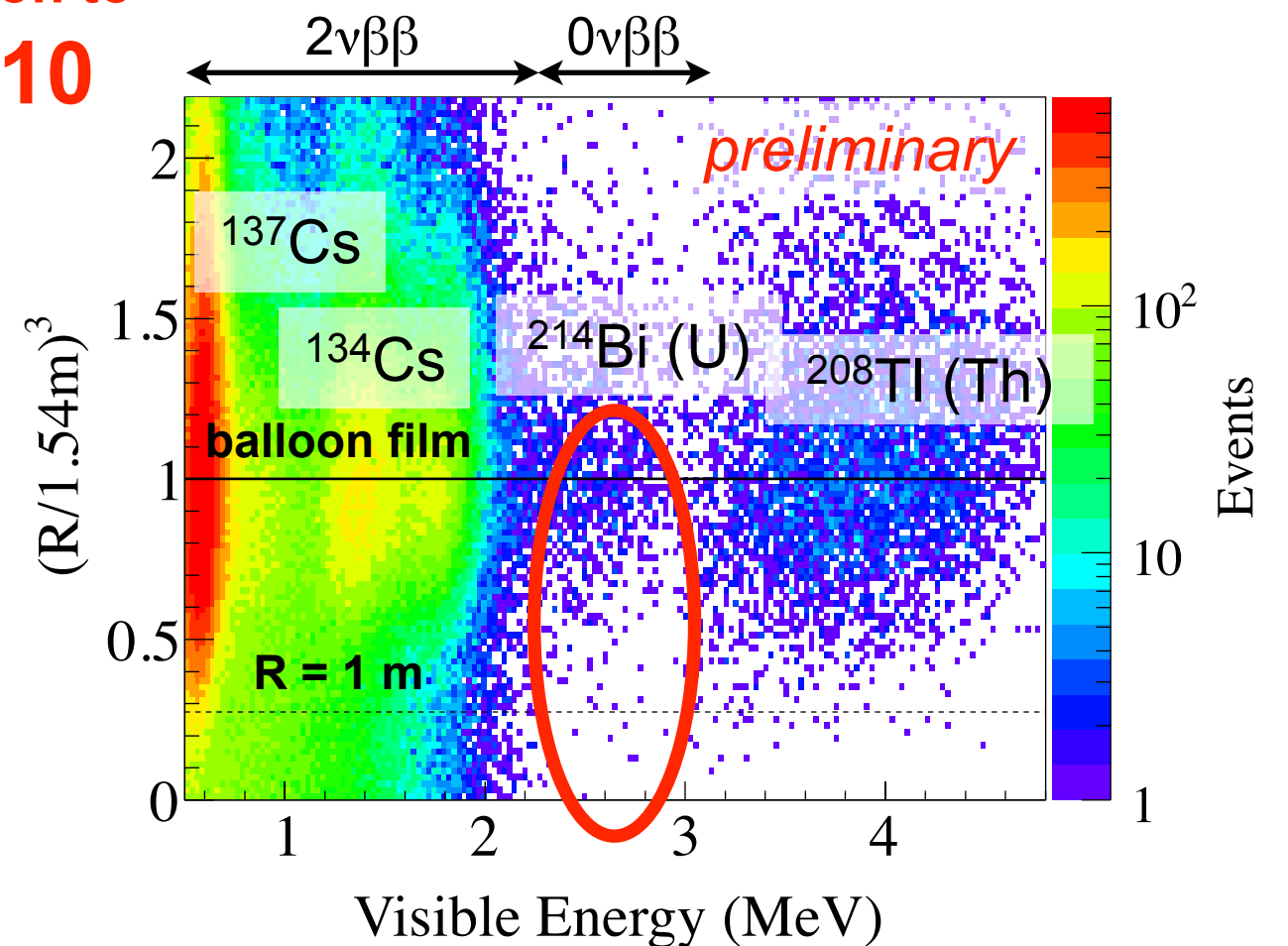
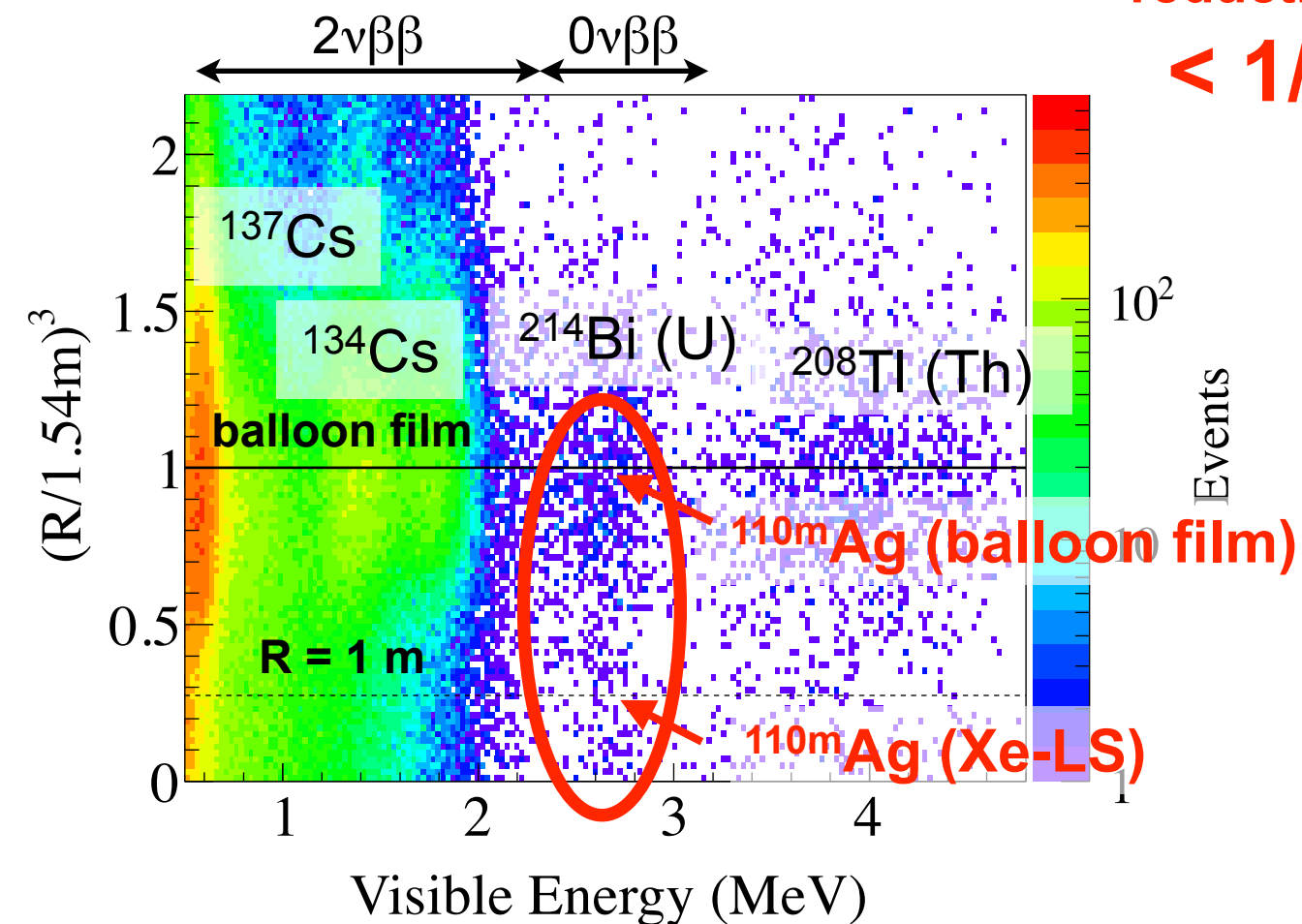


## Phase 2 (first 114.8 days)

$2.2 < E < 3.0 \text{ MeV}, R < 1 \text{ m}$



**$^{110m}\text{Ag}$  BG  
reduction to  
< 1/10**



**Primary BG :  $^{214}\text{Bi (U)}$  at balloon / spallation  $^{10}\text{C}$  / remaining  $^{110m}\text{Ag}$ ?**



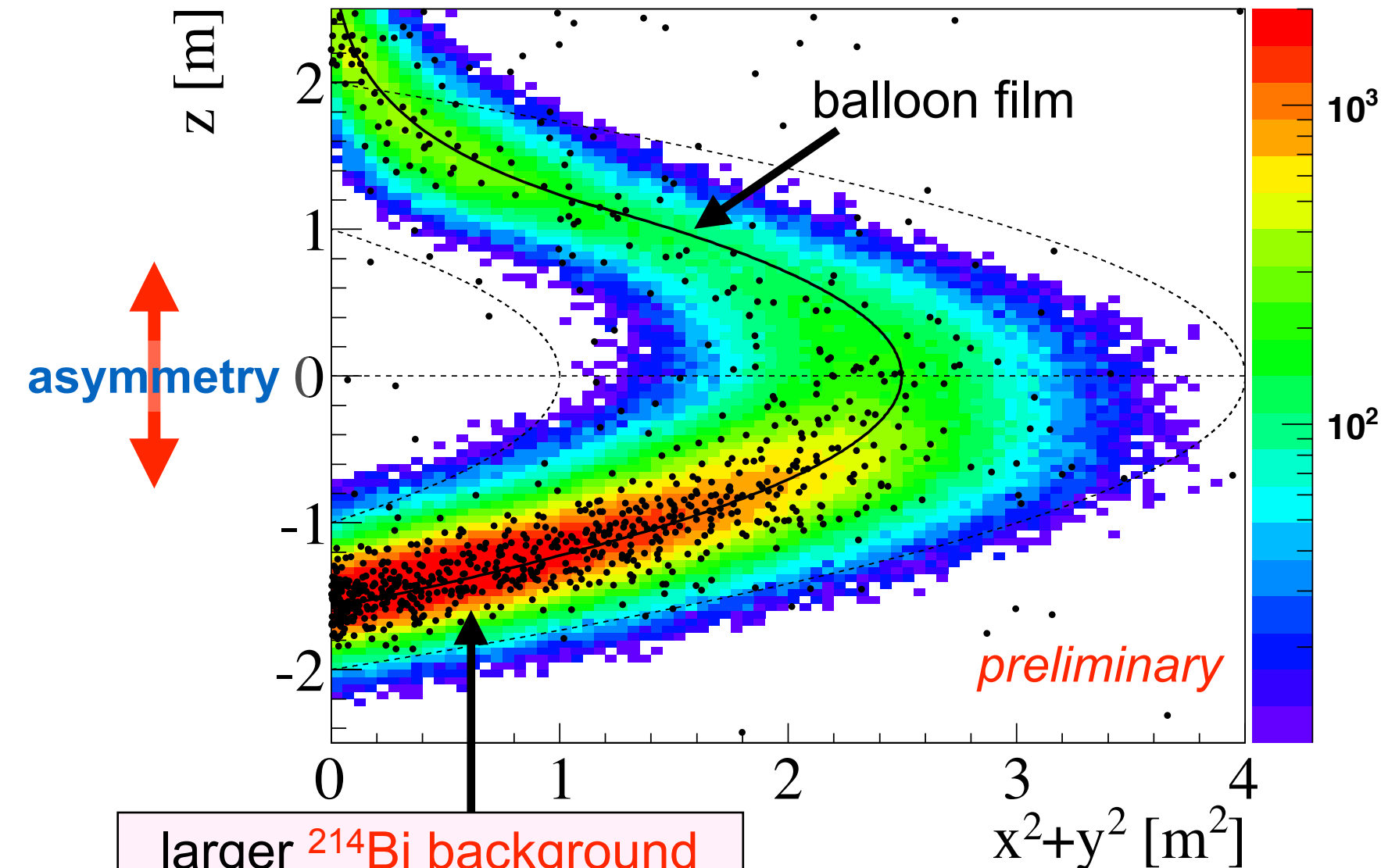
# Optimization of Volume Selection

ROI :  $2.3 < E < 2.7$  MeV

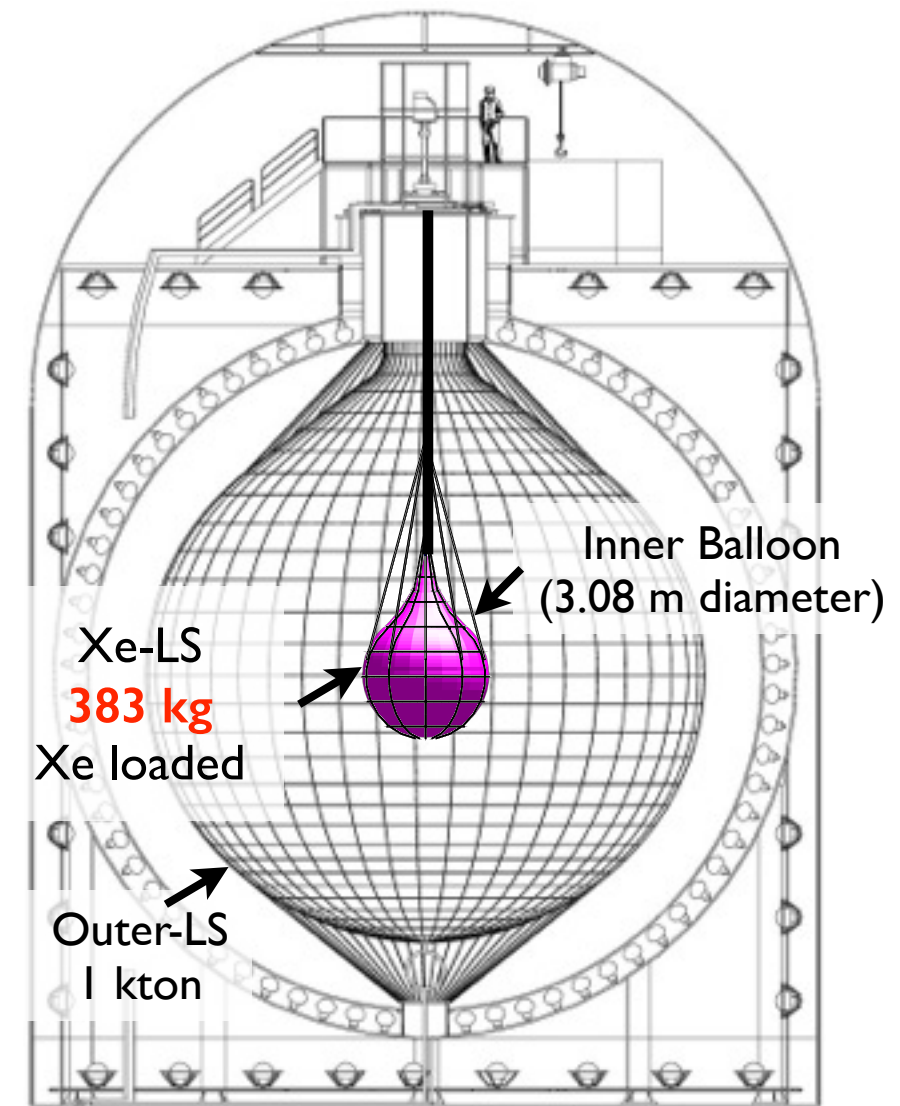
candidate events (black points)

$^{214}\text{Bi}$  MC simulation (color histogram)

KamLAND-Zen  
Phase 2



larger  $^{214}\text{Bi}$  background  
at balloon bottom  
(due to leakage in diaphragm pump)



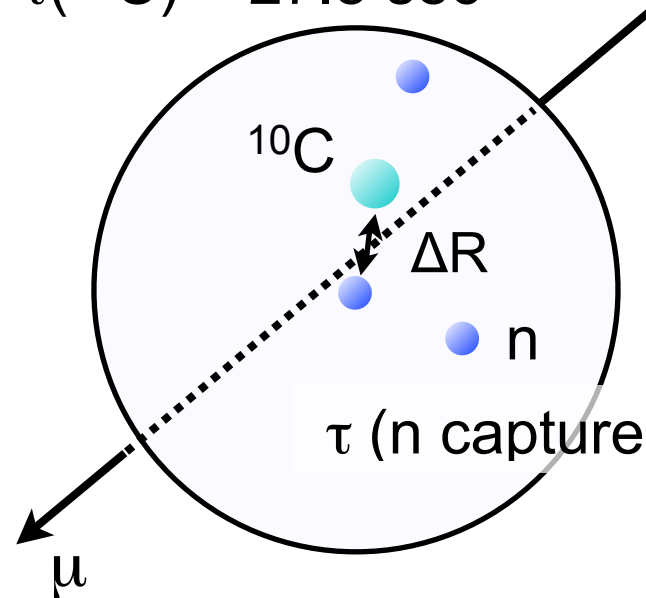
multi-volume selection for analysis optimization

target volume for spectral fit :  $R < 2.0$  m    **40 equal volume bins**  
**(20 bins + 20 bins in upper / lower hemisphere)**

# Spallation Cut after Cosmic-ray Muon

$^{10}\text{C}$  rejection by neutron tagging

$\tau(^{10}\text{C}) = 27.8 \text{ sec}$



space and time correlation cut

- $\Delta T < 180 \text{ s}$
- $\Delta R < 1.6 \text{ m}$

*preliminary*

$\tau (\text{n capture}) \sim 207.5 \mu\text{s}$



Baseline restorer and signal splitter

1GHz FADC + 3 range 200 MHz FADC for each channel

Trigger module

*preliminary*

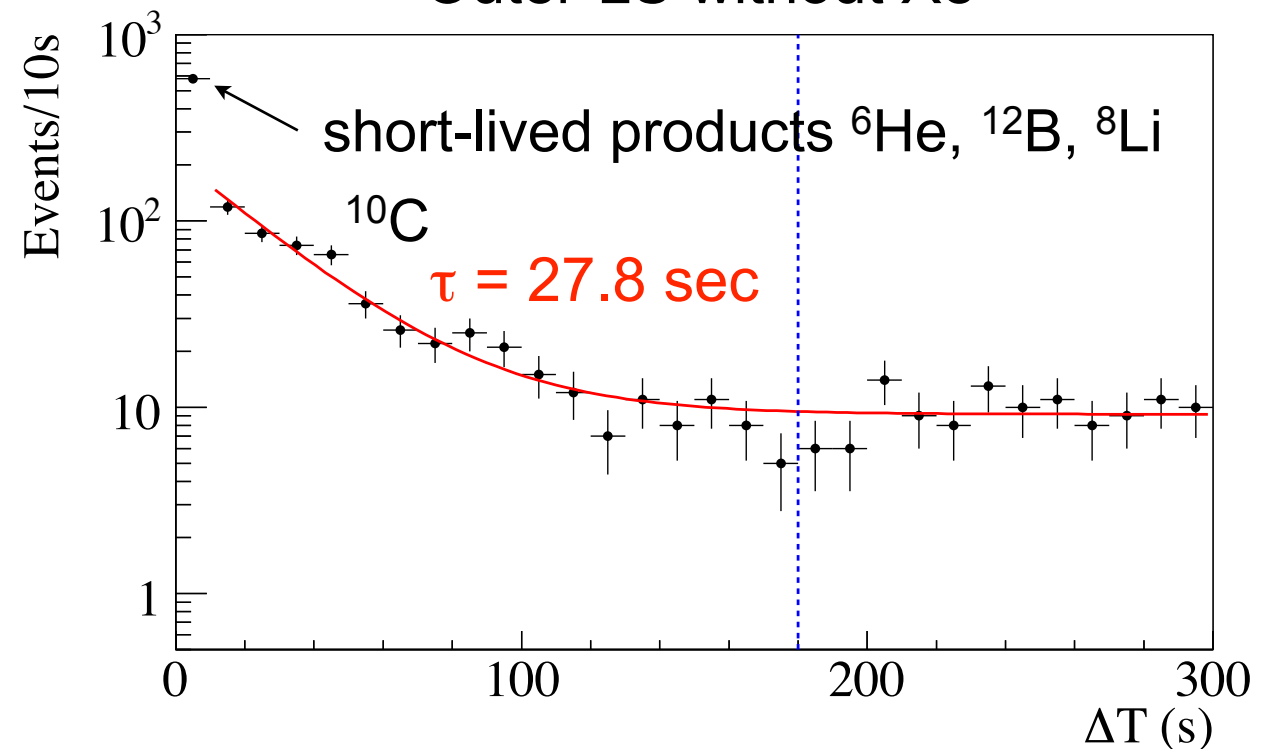
BG rejection efficiency ( $^{10}\text{C}$ )  $72 \pm 5\%$

signal inefficiency 7%

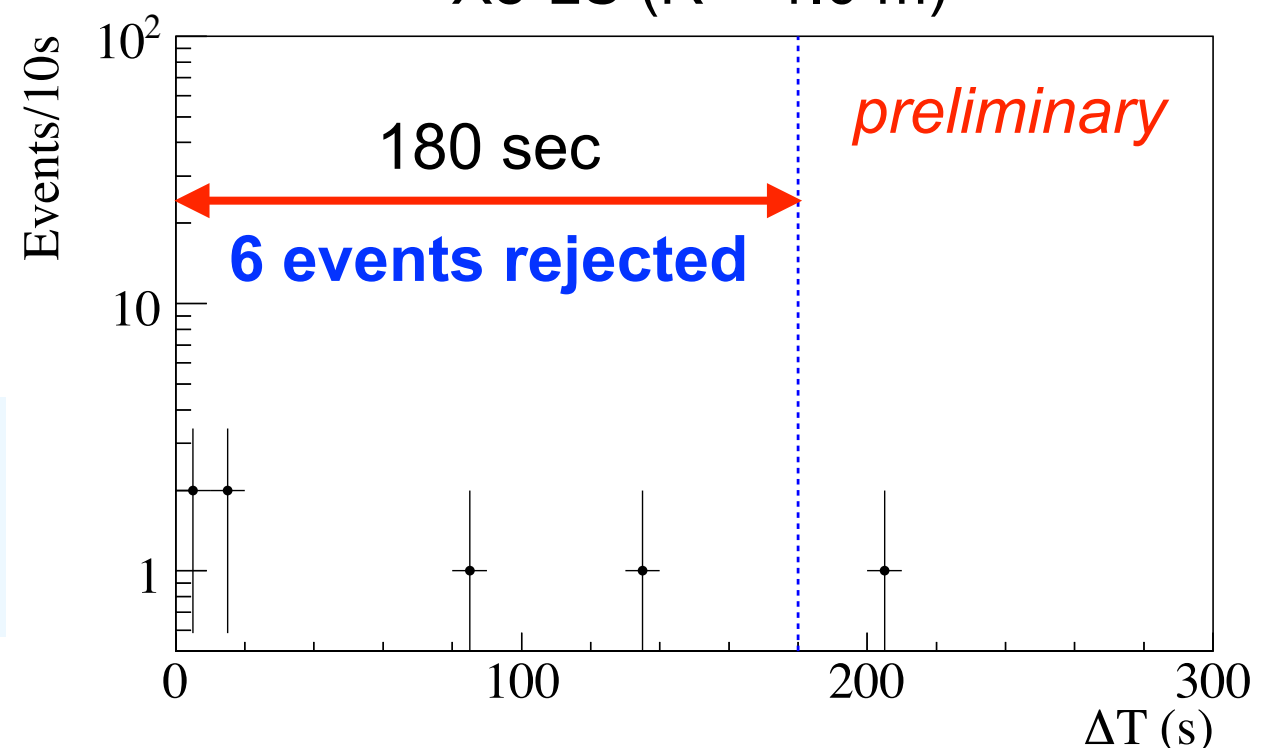
**Efficient background rejection**

$2.2 < E < 3.5 \text{ MeV}$

Outer-LS without Xe

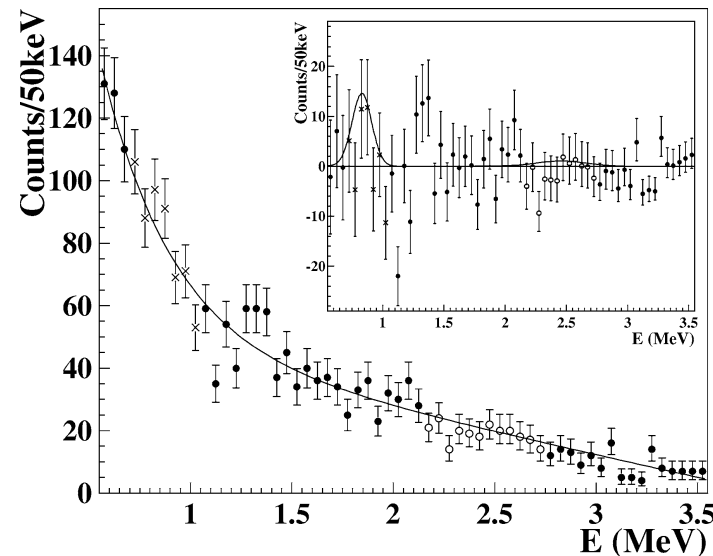


Xe-LS ( $R < 1.0 \text{ m}$ )



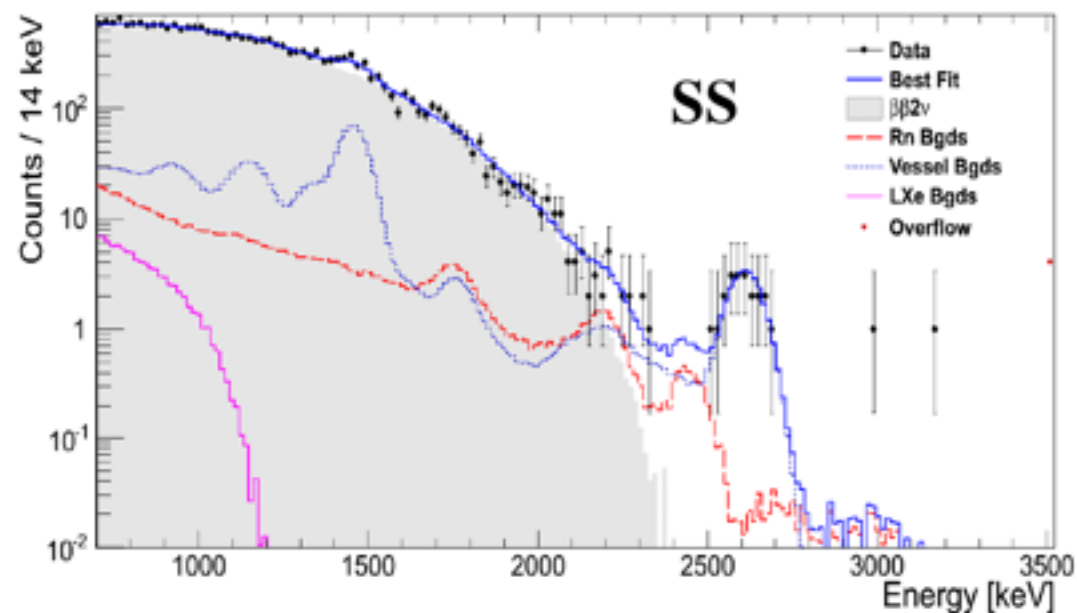
# Fit to Energy Spectrum for $2\nu\beta\beta$

DAMA (2002) Liquid Xe scintillator



$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} > 1.0 \times 10^{22} \text{ yr at 90\% C.L.}$$

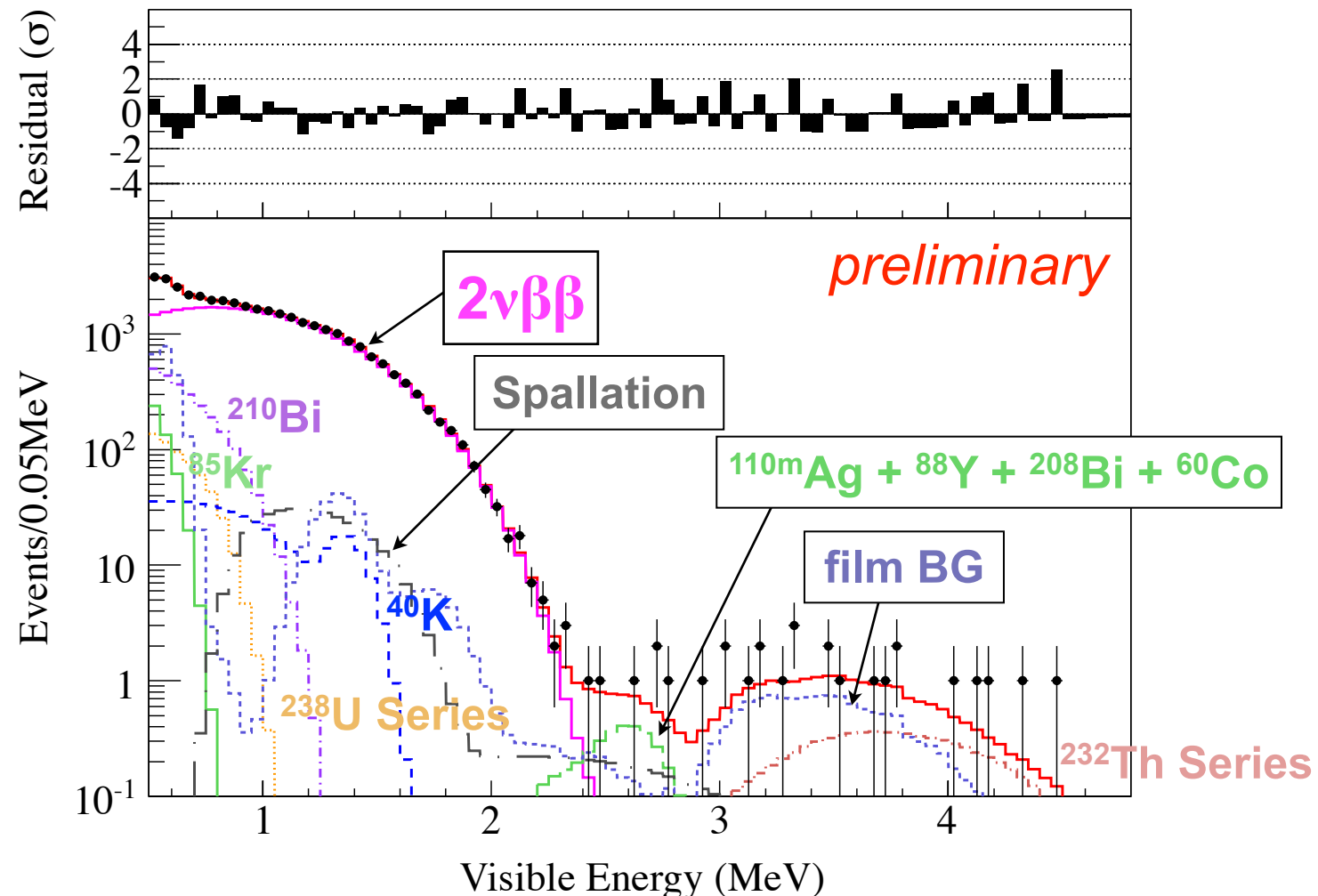
EXO-200 (2013) Liquid Xe TPC + scintillator



$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = 2.165 \pm 0.016(\text{stat}) \pm 0.059(\text{syst}) \times 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$

KamLAND-Zen (2014) Xe loaded liquid scintillator

**Phase 2 Internal ( $R < 1.0 \text{ m}$ )**



$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = 2.32 \pm 0.05(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst}) \times 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$

consistent with KamLAND-Zen Phase 1

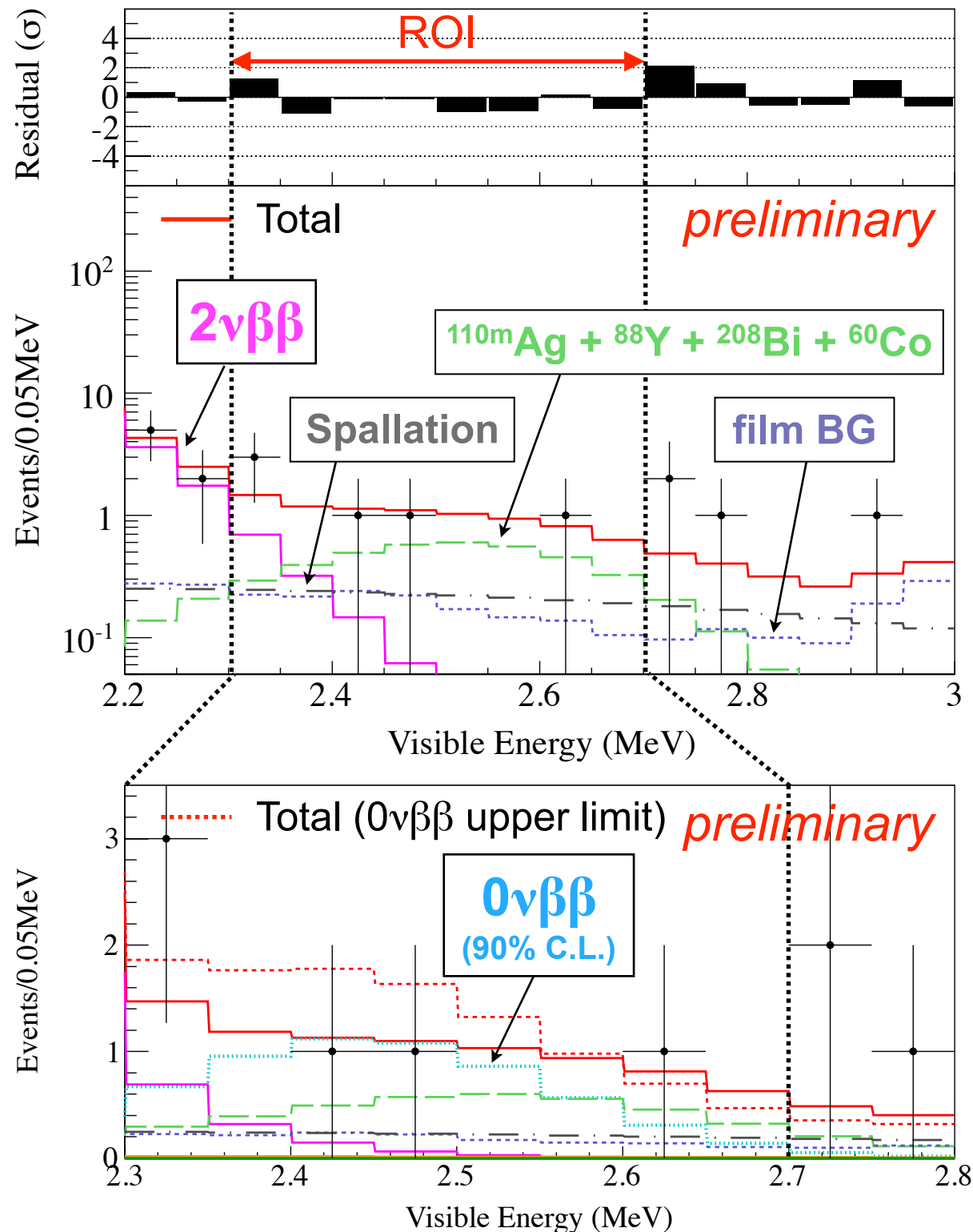


$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = 2.30 \pm 0.02(\text{stat}) \pm 0.12(\text{syst}) \times 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$

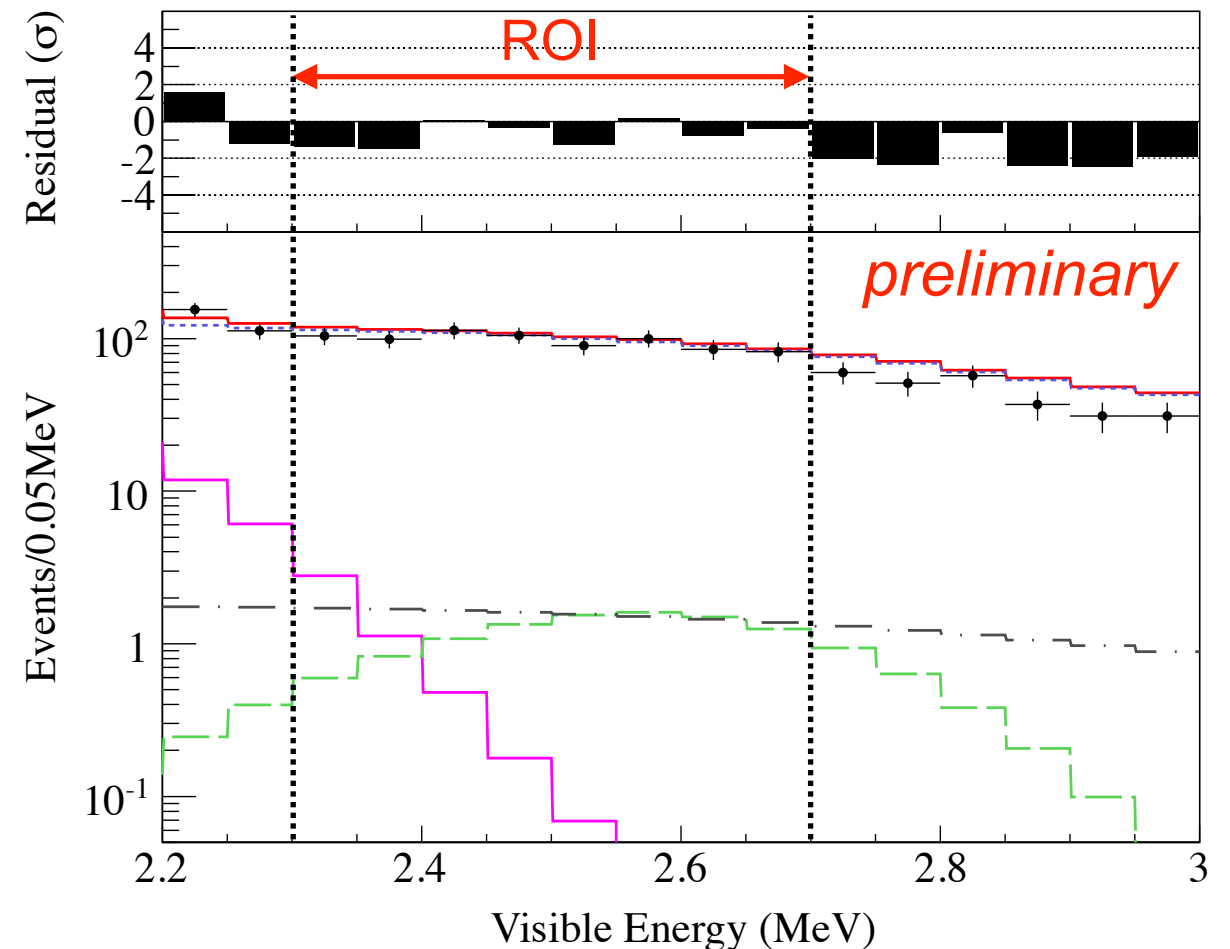
← consistent with EXO-200

# Fit to Energy Spectra for $0\nu\beta\beta$

Internal ( $R < 1.0$  m)



External ( $1.0 < R < 2.0$  m)



Fit to Energy-Volume 2D spectra

Limits on  $0\nu\beta\beta$  at 90% C.L.

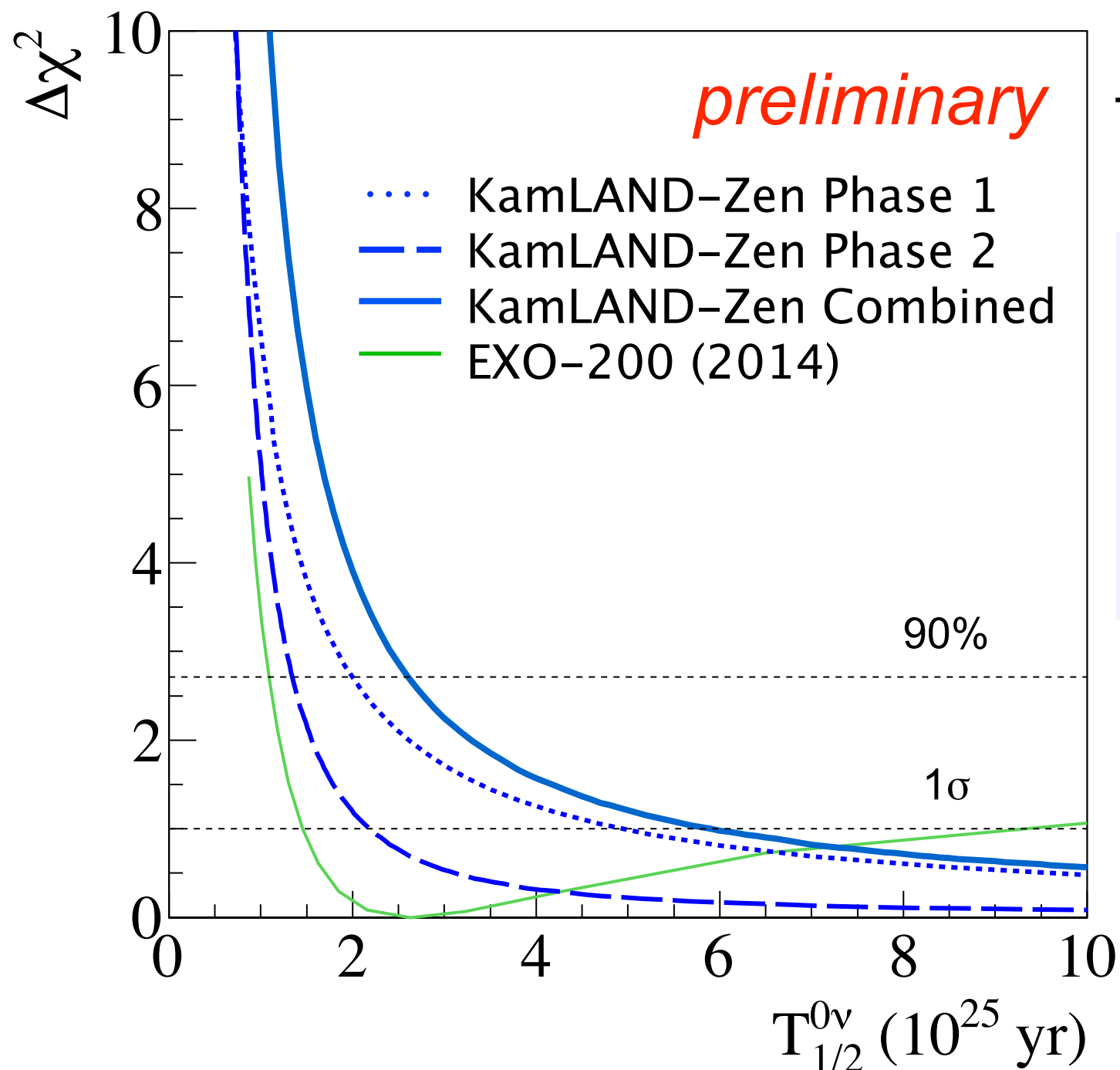
$< 17.0$  events/day/kton-LS

$T^{0\nu}_{1/2} > 1.3 \times 10^{25}$  yr



# $^{136}\text{Xe}$ $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay Half-life

combined result (Phase 1 + 2)



Half-life limit at 90% C.L.

**KamLAND-Zen**

Phase 1  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$

Phase 2  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.3 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$

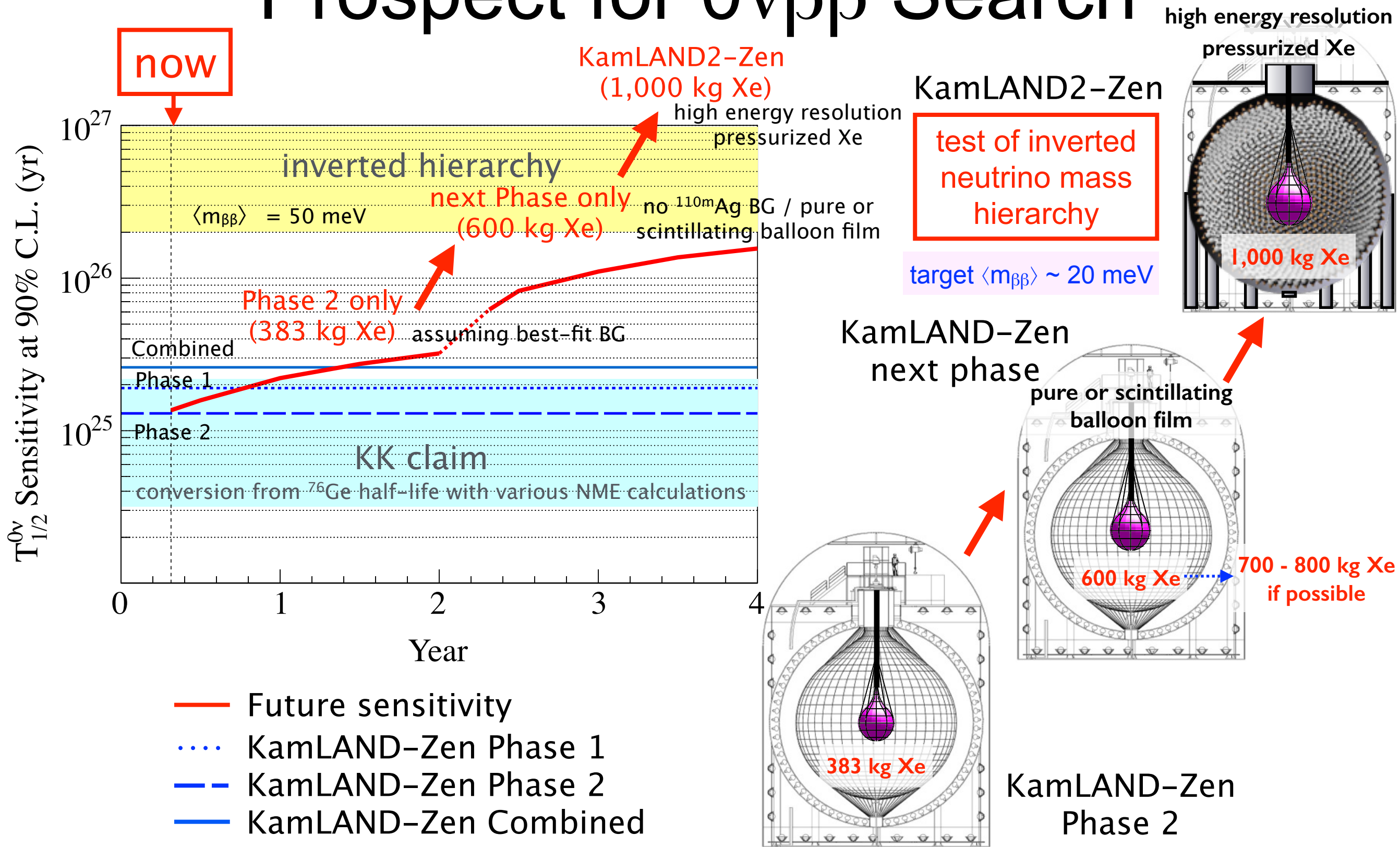
Combined  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$

QRPA NME model  
J. Phys. G 39 124006 (2012)

$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < 0.14\text{-}0.28 \text{ eV}$

Limits on  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  half-life and effective neutrino mass are improved

# Prospect for $0\nu\beta\beta$ Search



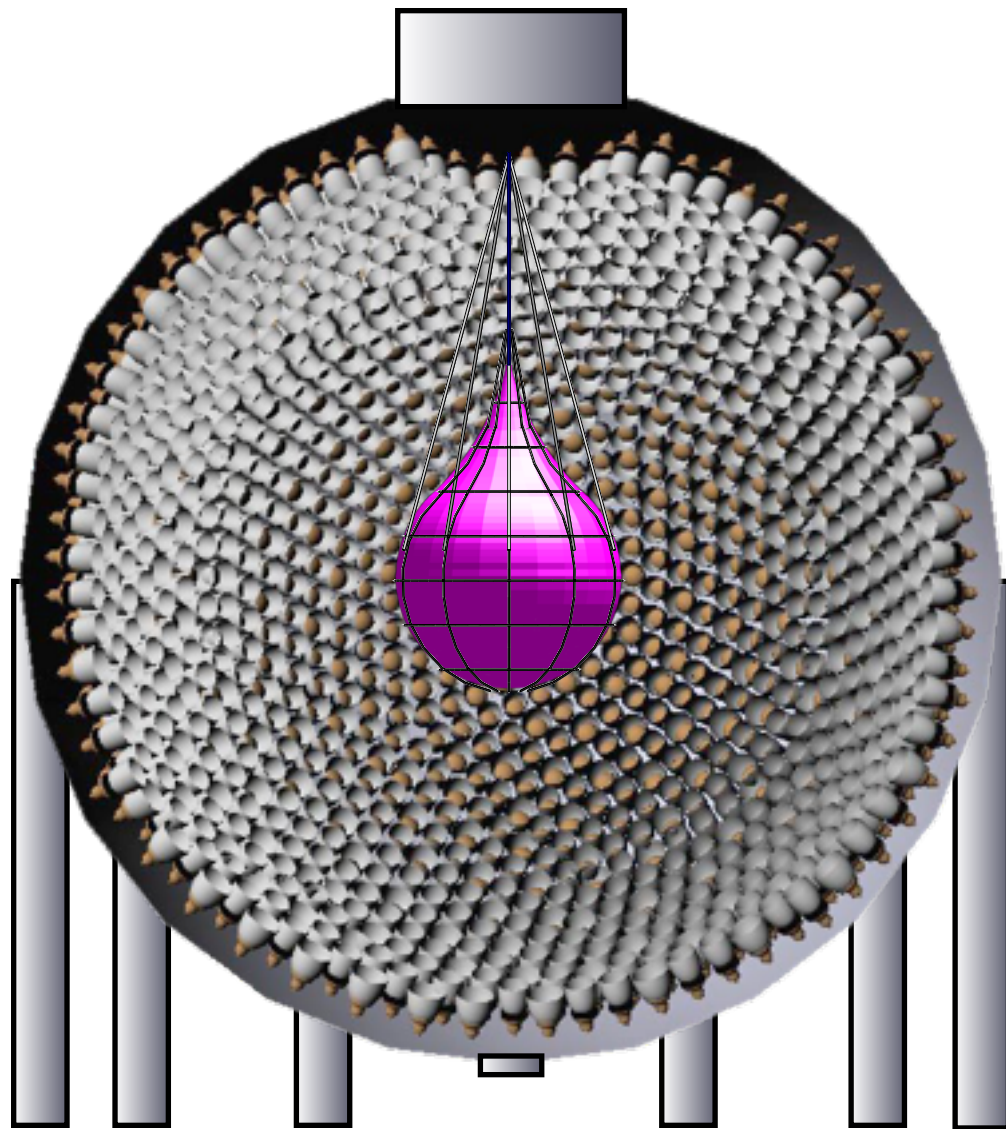
Detector improvements are planned in the near future

# KamLAND2-Zen

## General-purpose

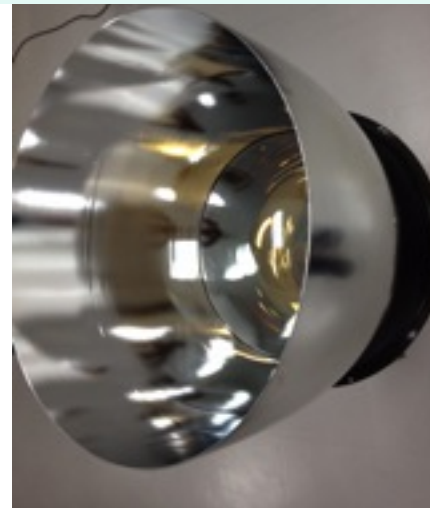
larger crane  
strengthen floor  
**enlarge opening**  
accommodate various devices  
CaF<sub>2</sub>, CdWO<sub>4</sub>, NaI, ...

**1000 kg enriched Xe**



## High performance

### Winstone Cone



### High Q.E. PMT



17"Φ→20"Φ,  $\epsilon=22\% \rightarrow 30\%$

Photo-coverage > **x2**

Light Collection Eff. > **x1.8**

**x1.9**

### New Liquid Scintillator

**x1.4**

KamLAND liquid scintillator	8,000 photon/MeV
typical liquid scintillator	12,000 photon/MeV

$\sigma(2.6\text{MeV}) = 4\% \rightarrow < 2.5\%$

naive calc. < 2%

target  $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle \sim$  **20 meV / 5 year**



# Summary

- Anti-neutrino results are presented.

- Observed geo- $\nu$  flux is consistent with Earth model
- Three flavor oscillation analysis of reactor- $\nu$  is presented

solar + KamLAND +  $\theta_{13}$  experiments

$$\tan^2\theta_{12} = 0.436^{+0.029}_{-0.025} \quad \Delta m^2 = 7.53^{+0.18}_{-0.18} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$
$$\sin^2\theta_{13} = 0.023^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$$

- Double beta decay searches are presented.

- Limits on  $0\nu\beta\beta$  for  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  at 90% C.L.

preliminary

Phase 1 (213 days)

$$T^{0\nu}_{1/2} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$$

Phase 2 (115 days)

$$T^{0\nu}_{1/2} > 1.3 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$$

Combined

$$T^{0\nu}_{1/2} > 2.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$$



$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < 0.14\text{-}0.28 \text{ eV (QRPA)}$$

- Several detector improvements are planned aiming at a test of inverted neutrino mass hierarchy.