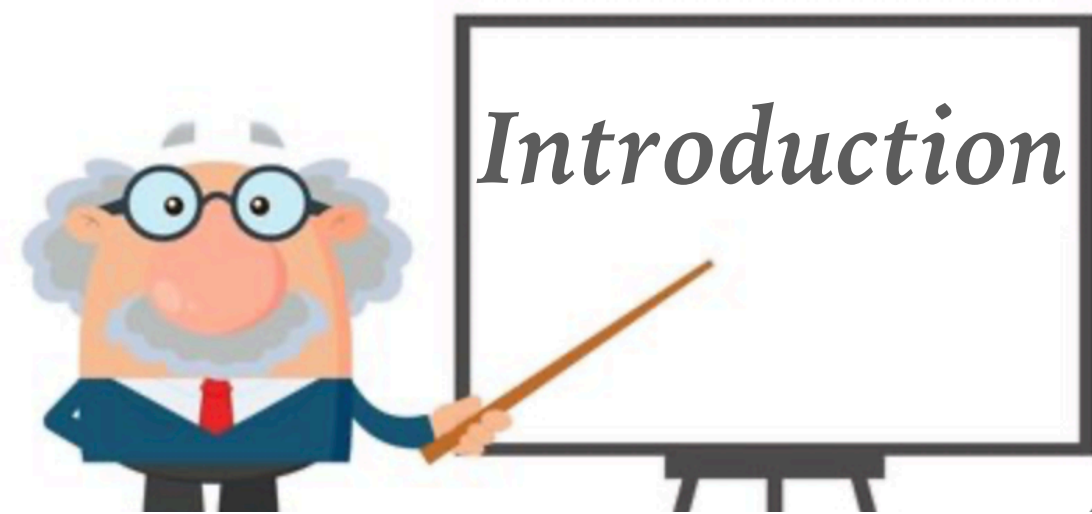




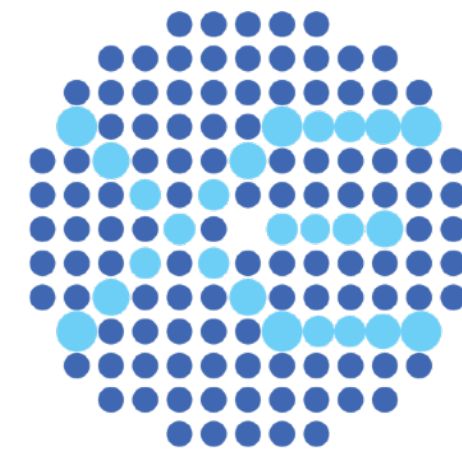
The XENONnT Experiment

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On behalf of the XENON collaboration

Outlook



- Dark Matter
- Direct Dark Matter search
- Dual-phase TPC detector



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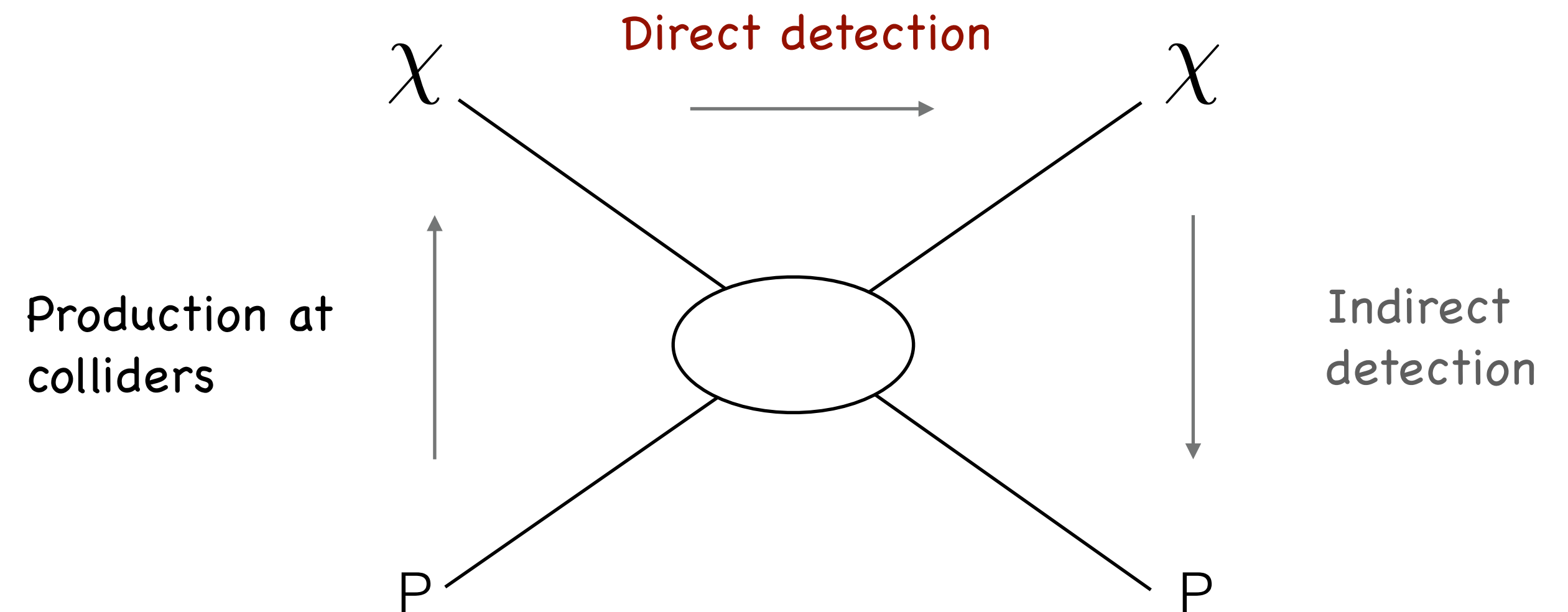
Dark Matter

◆ Observational evidence

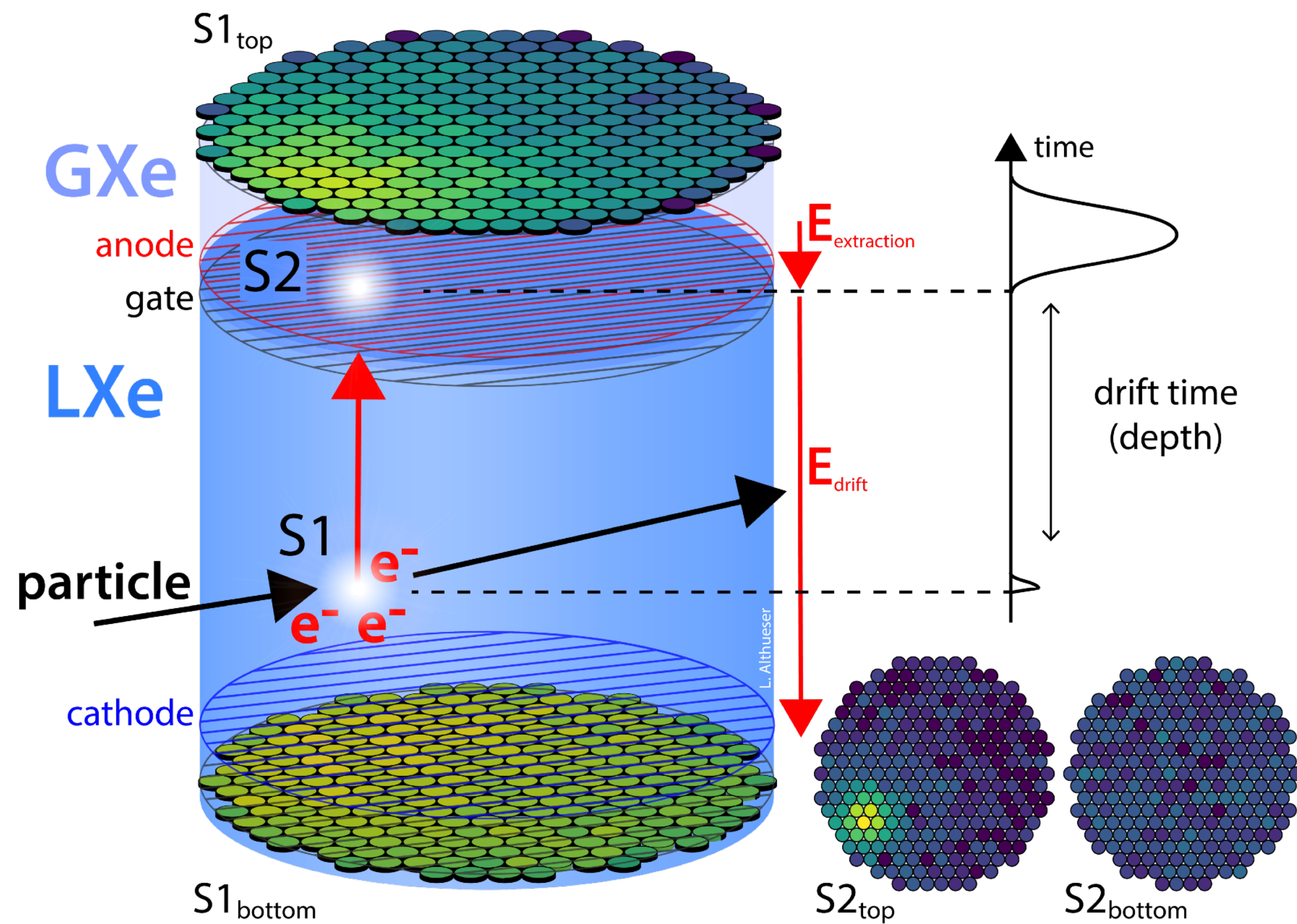
- Gravitation lensing
- Galaxy cluster
- Galaxy rotation
- Cosmic microwave background
- ...

◆ DM Searches

- Produce DM from ordinary matter
- Observe visible decay products of annihilation of dark matter and anti-dark matter
- **Elastic scattering of dark matter particles (direct detection)**



Dual Phase TPC

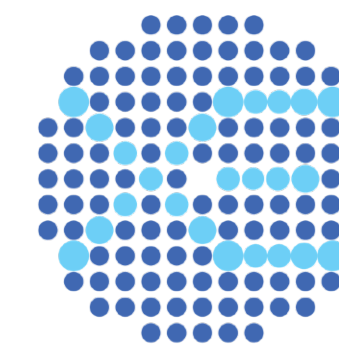


- ◆ Liquid and gas phase
- ◆ Electric field
- ◆ Photon detectors (PMTs) top and bottom
- ◆ Prompt signal (S1): from scintillation (UV light)
- ◆ Delayed signal (S2): electrons drifted and extracted in the gas phase producing second scintillation
- ◆ This allows

$$\text{Particle ID } (S2/S1)_{NR,WIMP} < (S2/S1)_{ER}$$

Energy reconstruction

3D position reconstruction (X, Y, Z)



The XENON Collaboration



170 SCIENTISTS
&
27 INSTITUTIONS



The XENONnT Experiment located at LNGS (Italy) underground laboratory (3600 m.w.e)

Xe XENON10	Xe XENON100	Xe XENON1T	XENONnT
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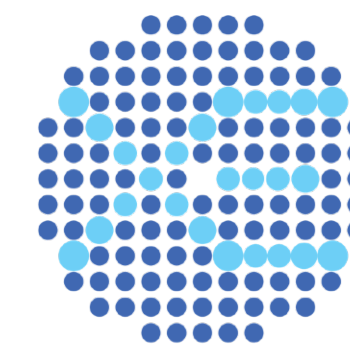
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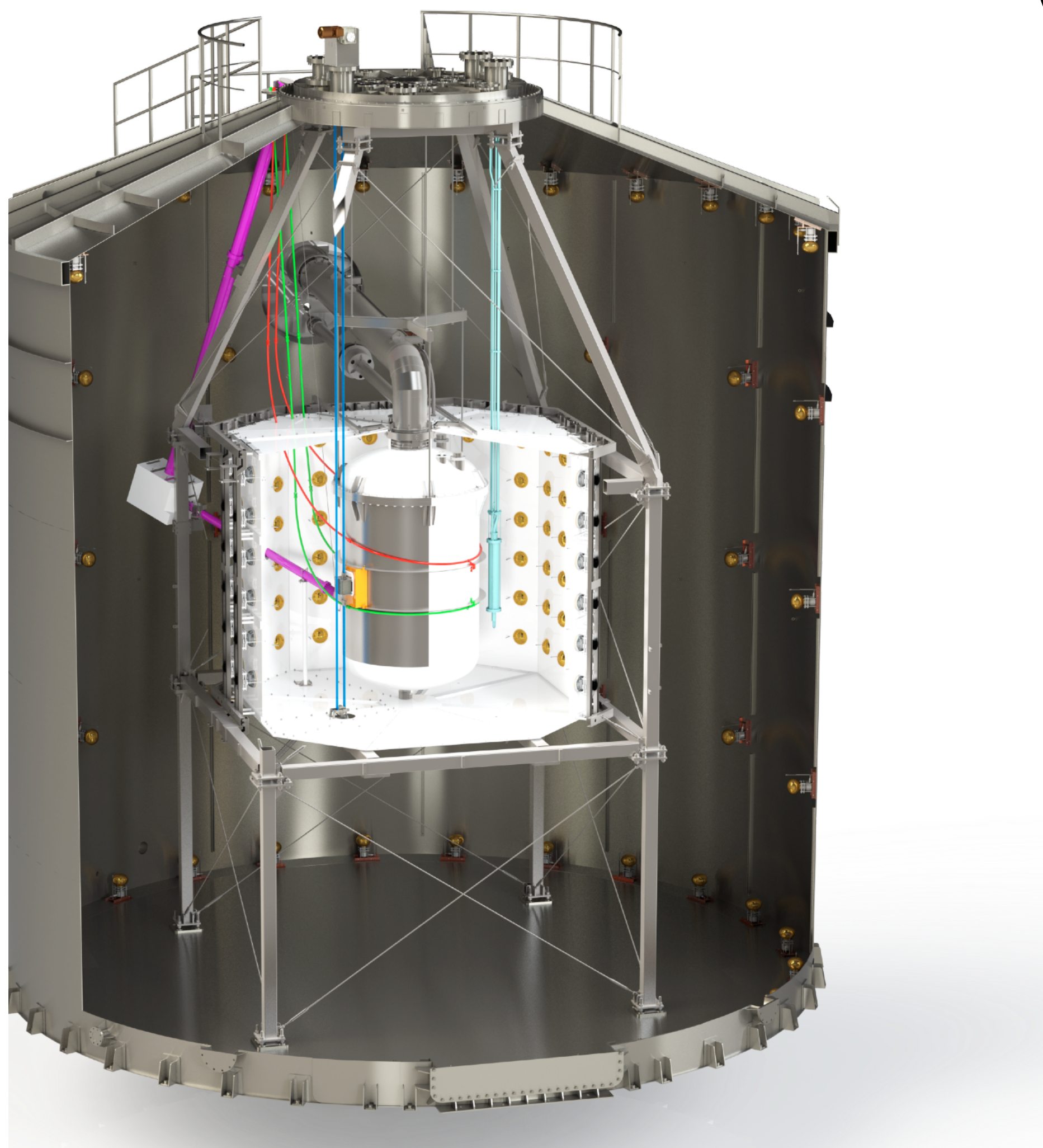
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Active mass
 Background
 Sensitivity

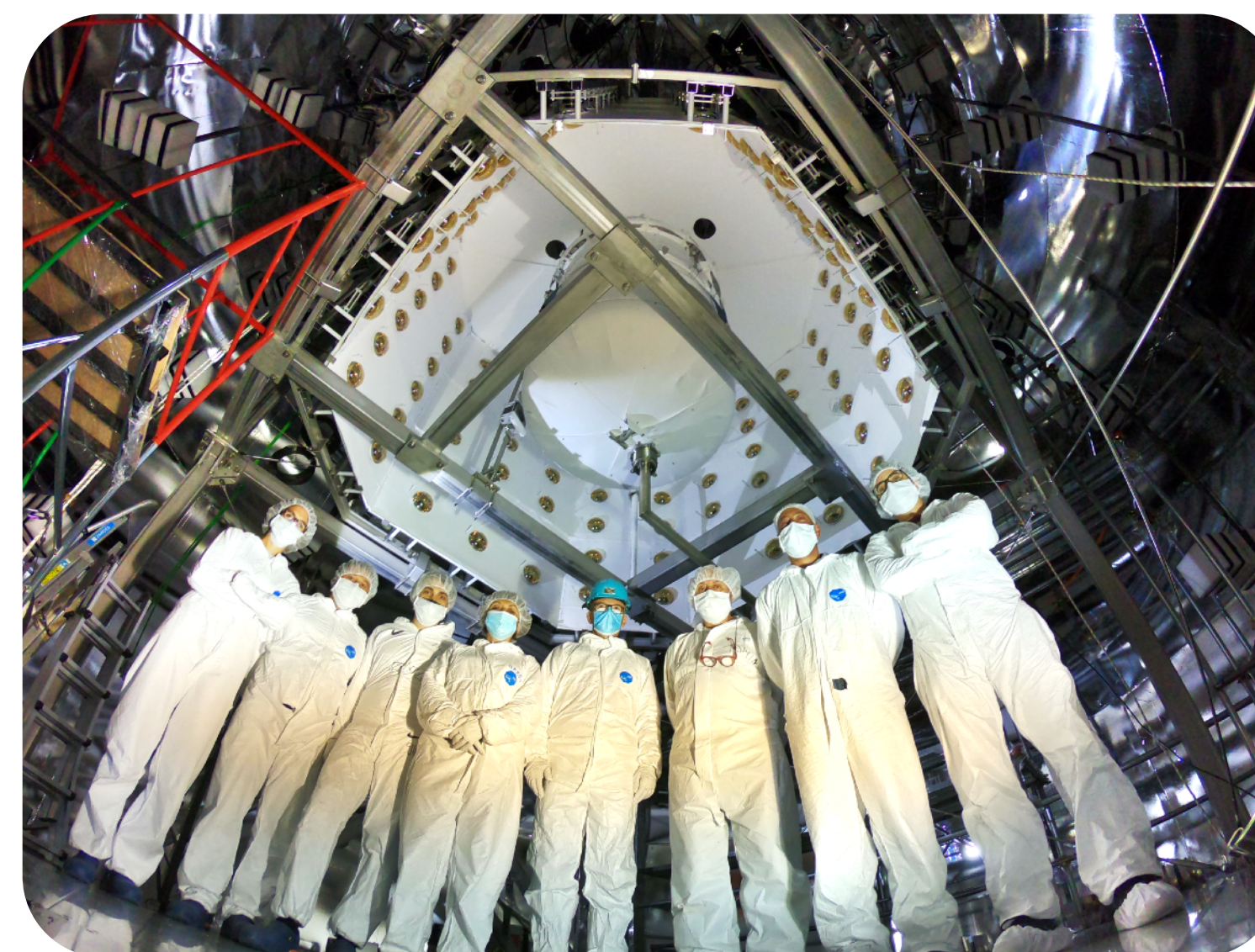


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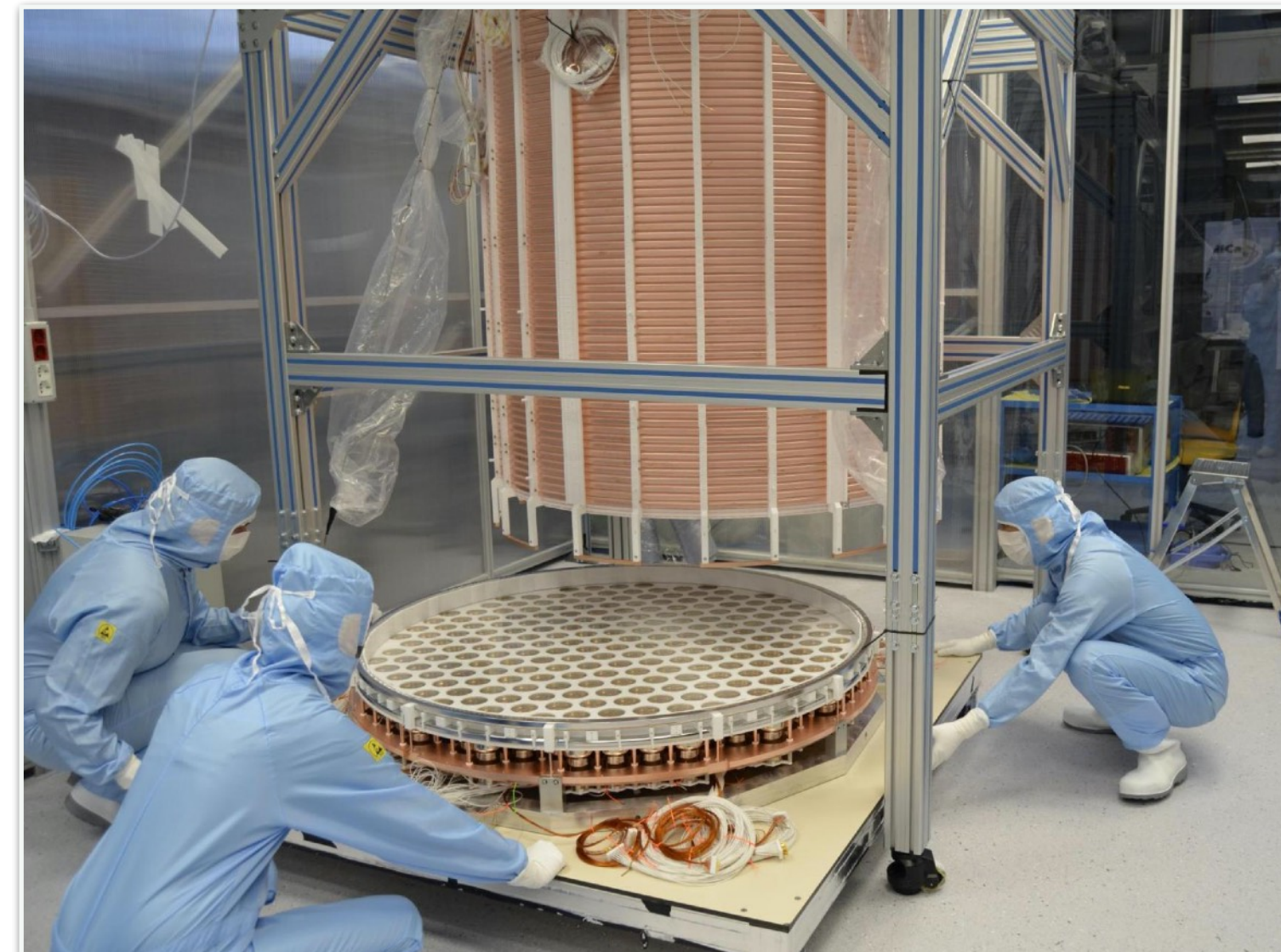
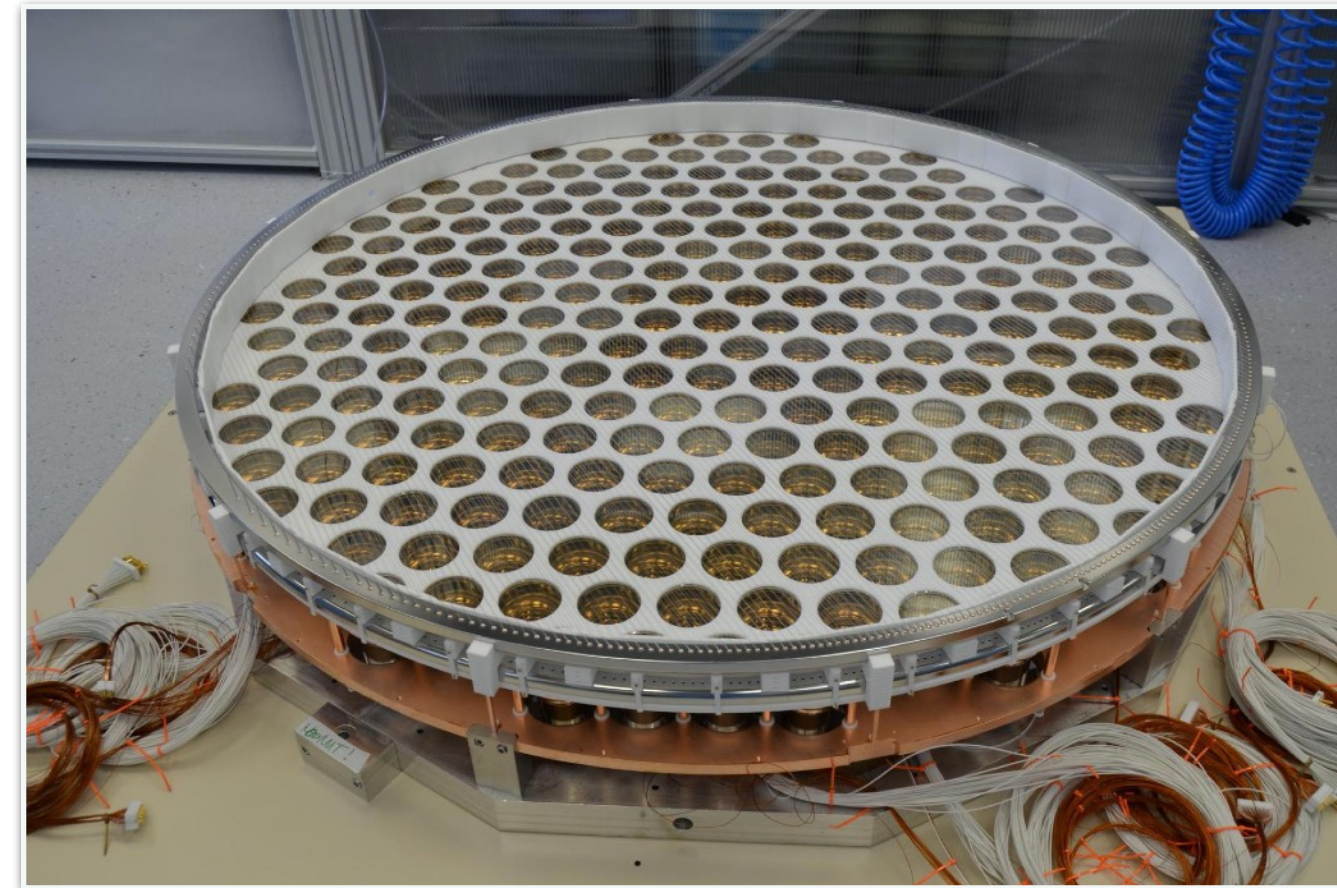


Veto Systems

- ☑ Muon veto
 - ◆ 700 tons of pure water
- ☑ **New Neutron veto**
 - ◆ Neutron background suppression
 - ◆ Gd-doped water Cherenkov detector
 - ◆ With 87% projected neutron tagging efficiency
 - ◆ Radiogenic neutron background in the ROI 0.041 (ty)^{-1} vs 0.321 (ty)^{-1} w/o neutron veto



XENONnT Experiment

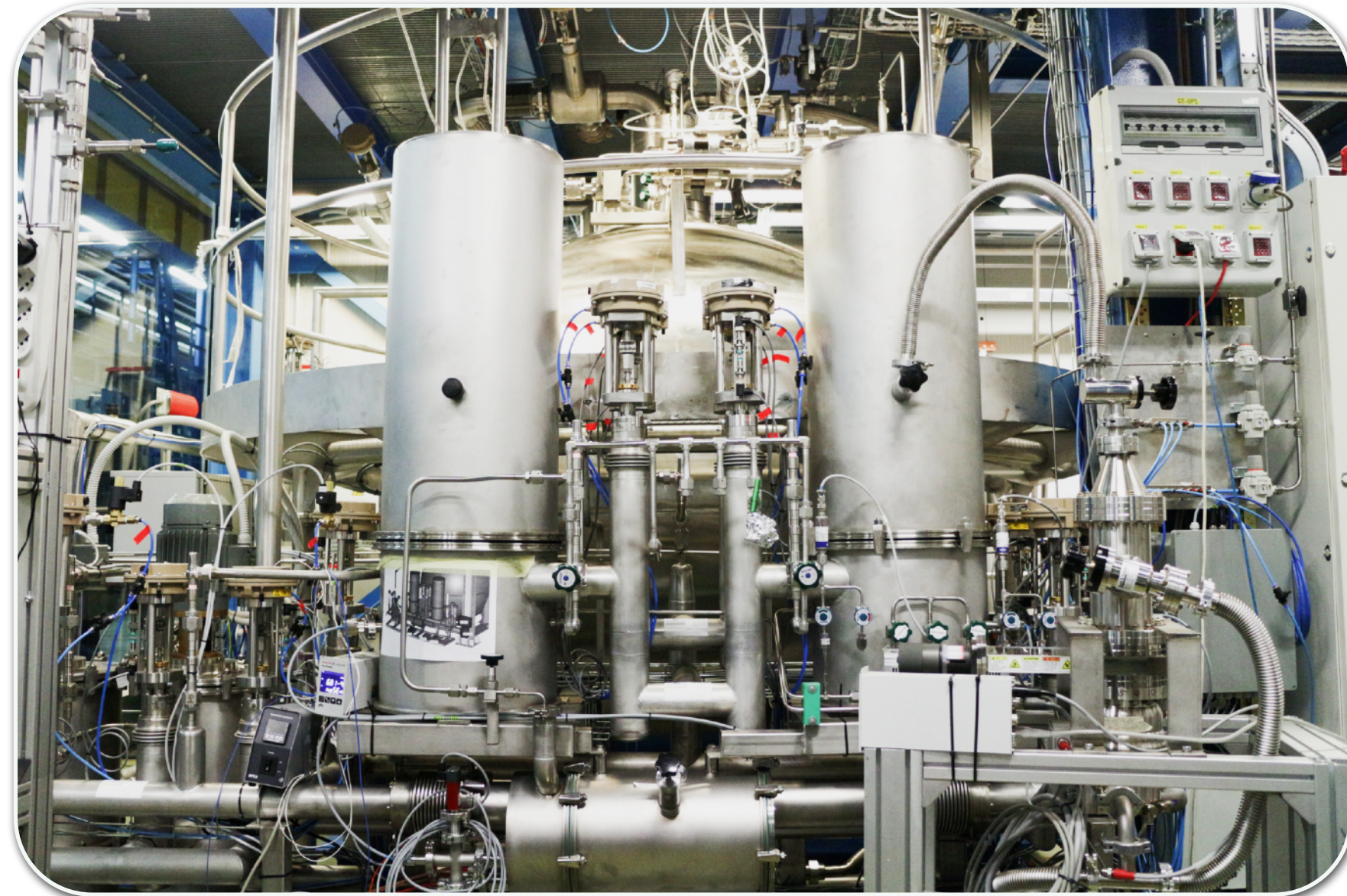


DP-TPC

- ✓ 8.6 tons of LXe
- ✓ 5.9 tons of active mass
- ✓ 494 PMTs
- ✓ 1.5 m drift length



XENONnT LXe Purification & Radon Removal



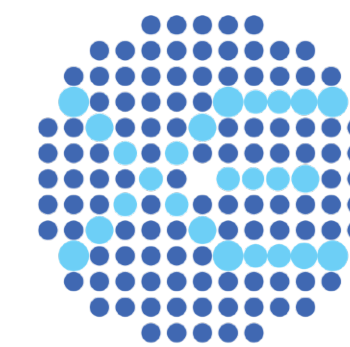
New Liquid Xe Purification System

- ✓ Fast flow rate
- ✓ Ultra low Rn emanation system
- ✓ New system improve signal detection thanks to better target purity

New Radon Removal System

- ✓ Dedicated Rn cryogenic distillation column
- ✓ $1\mu\text{Bq/kg}$ ^{222}Rn level (designed), improve over XENON1T ($13\mu\text{Bq/kg}$)





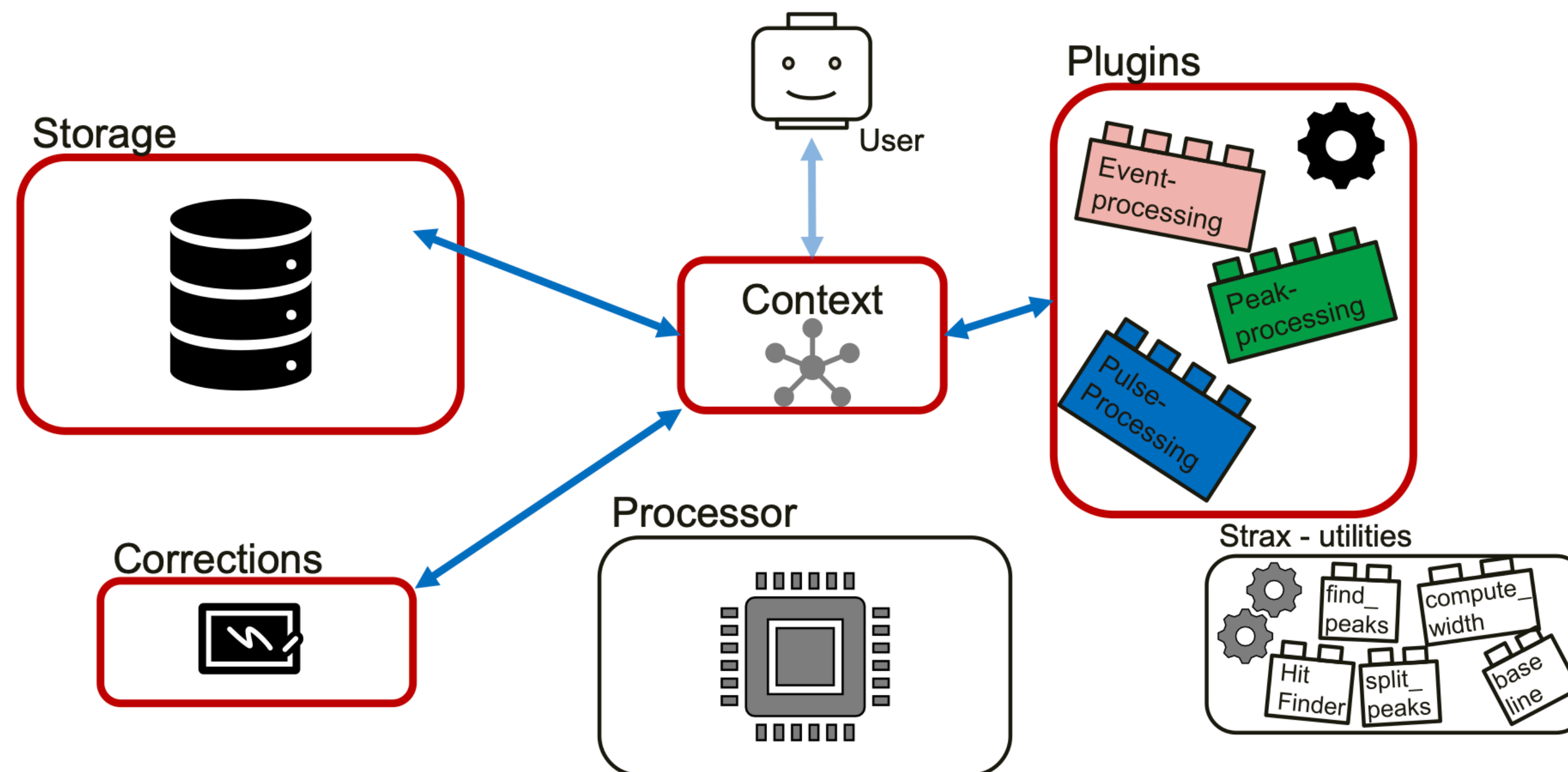
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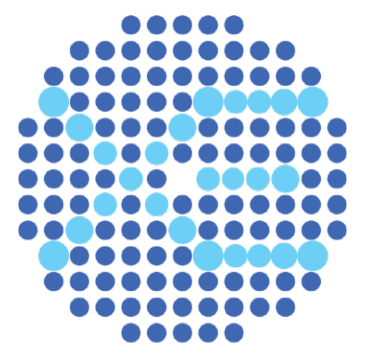
STRAX/STRAXEN: **STR**reaming **A**nalysis for **X**enon **E**xperime**N**ts

✓ Trigger-less

✓ Faster

0.2 MB/s/core (pax) → 60 MB/s/core (straxen)





XENONnT Commissioning

Despite challenging times, the XENON collaboration successfully completed the installation of the XENONnT experiment on the fall of 2020

And start the commissioning early this year



Will Coronavirus Freeze the Search for Dark Matter?

An experiment under 4,600 feet of Italian rock wasn't immune from the pandemic's interruption.

<https://www.nytimes.com/>



Assembling the XENONnT Dark Matter Detector during Covid-19 Times

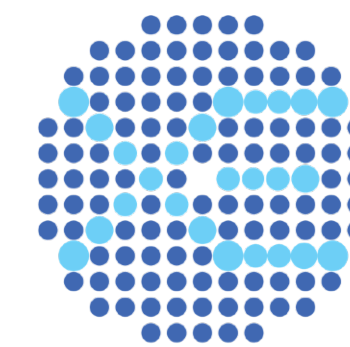
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The nature of dark matter (DM), an invisible substance which constitutes 85% of matter in the observable universe, is one...

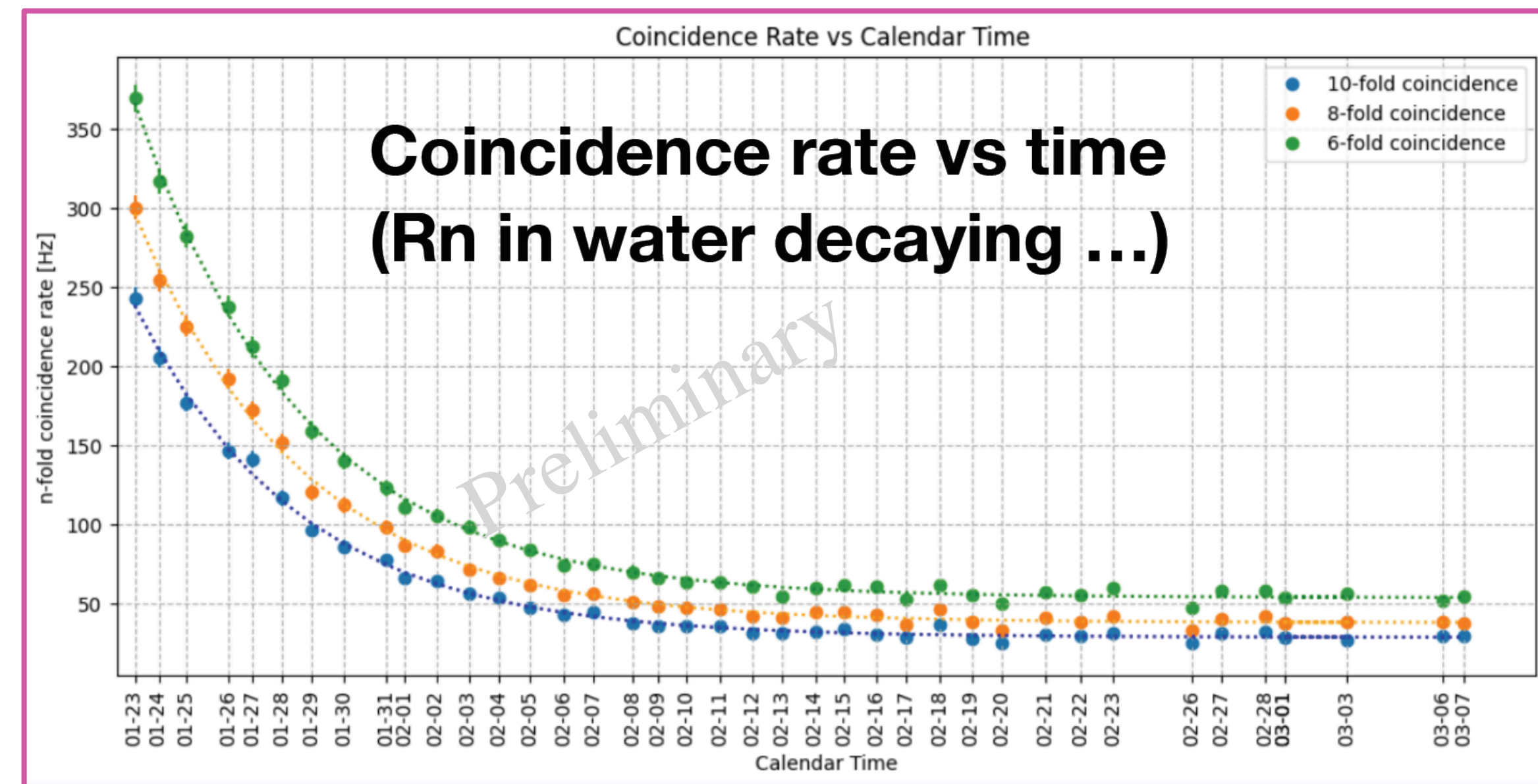
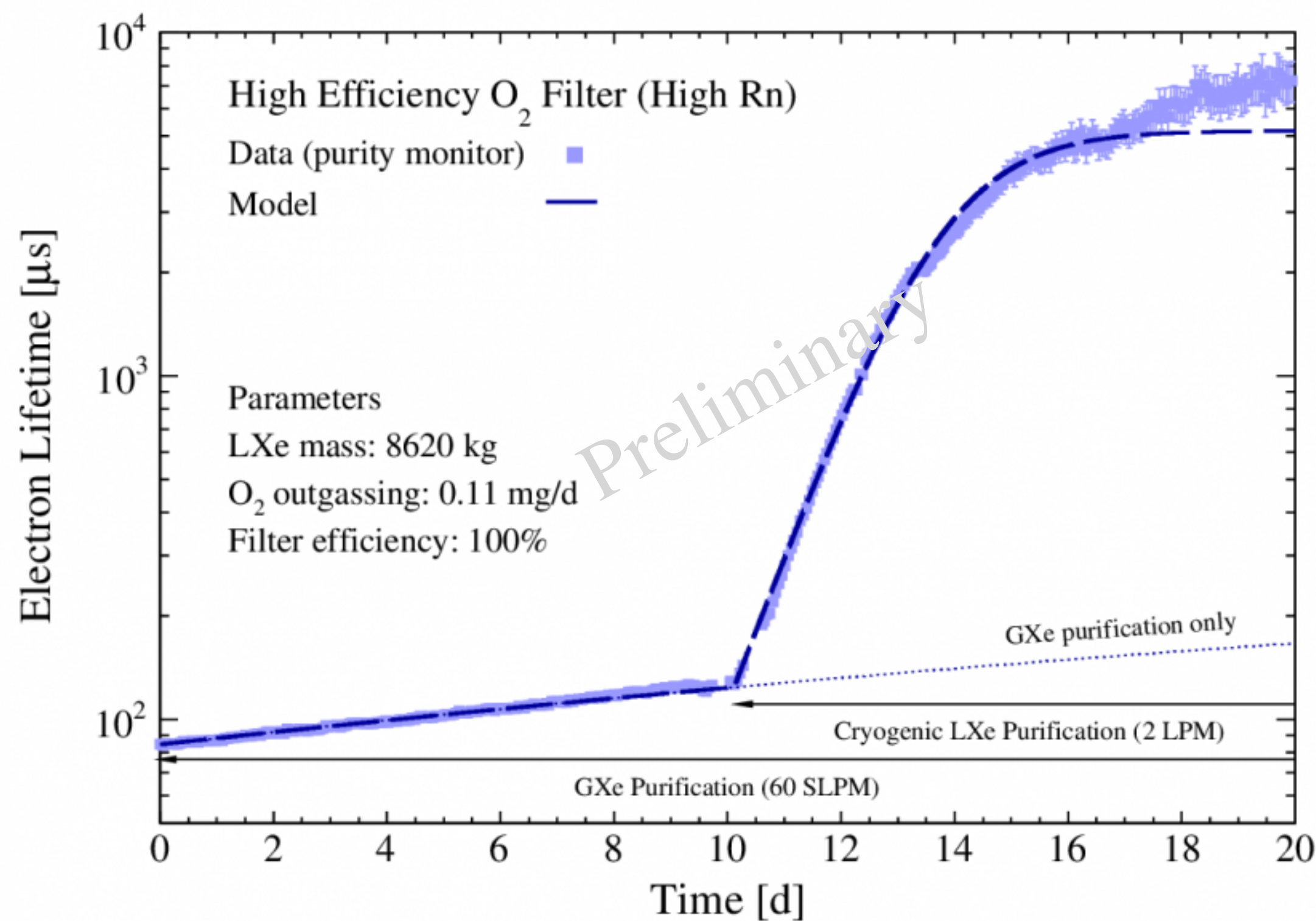
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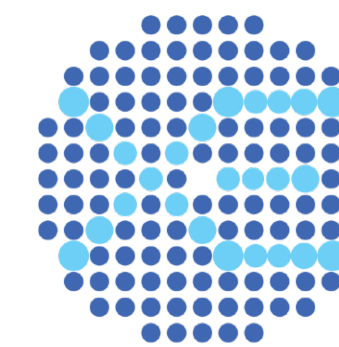
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Thanks to the new LXe purification system high purity has achieved (>7ms)

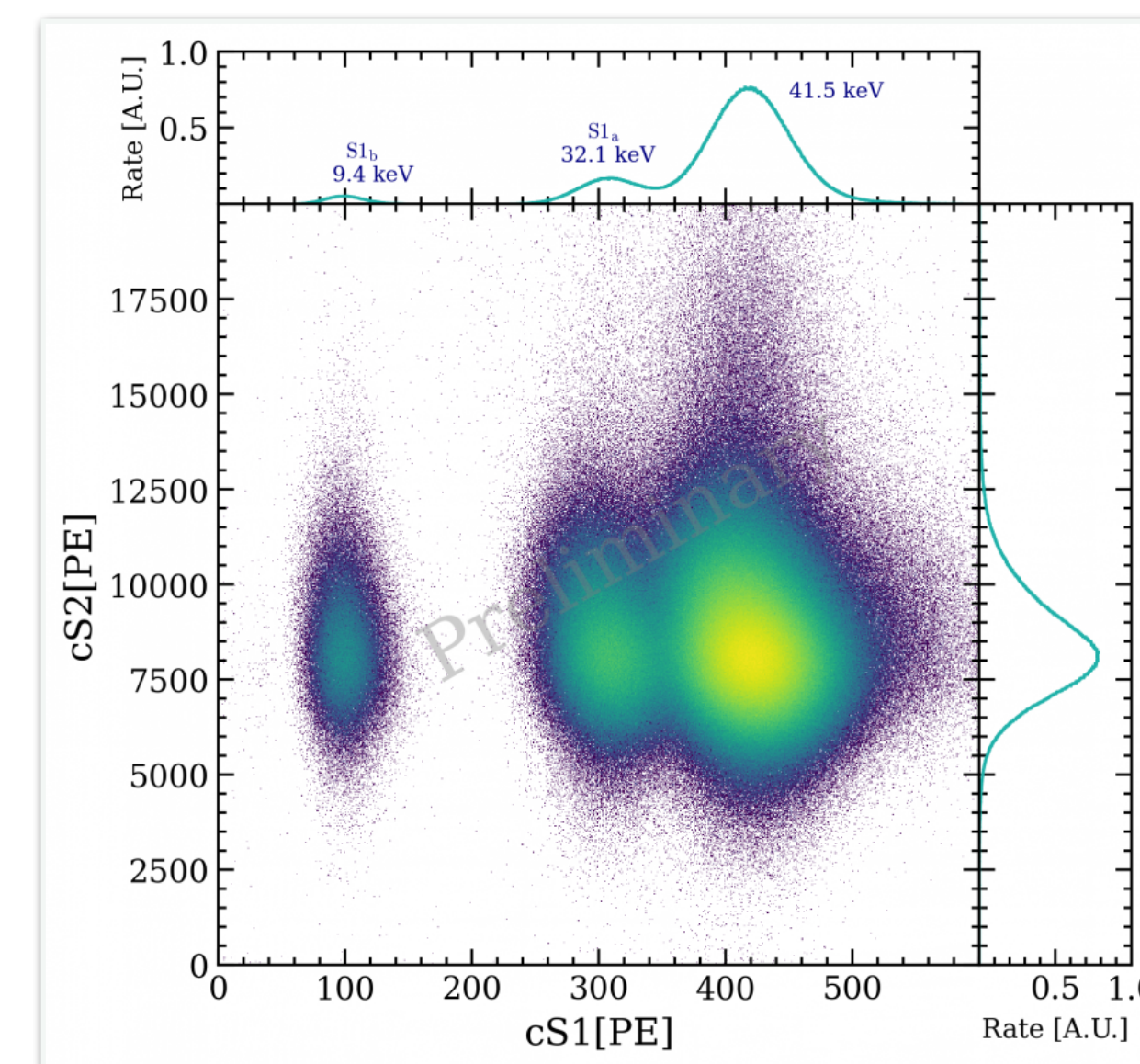
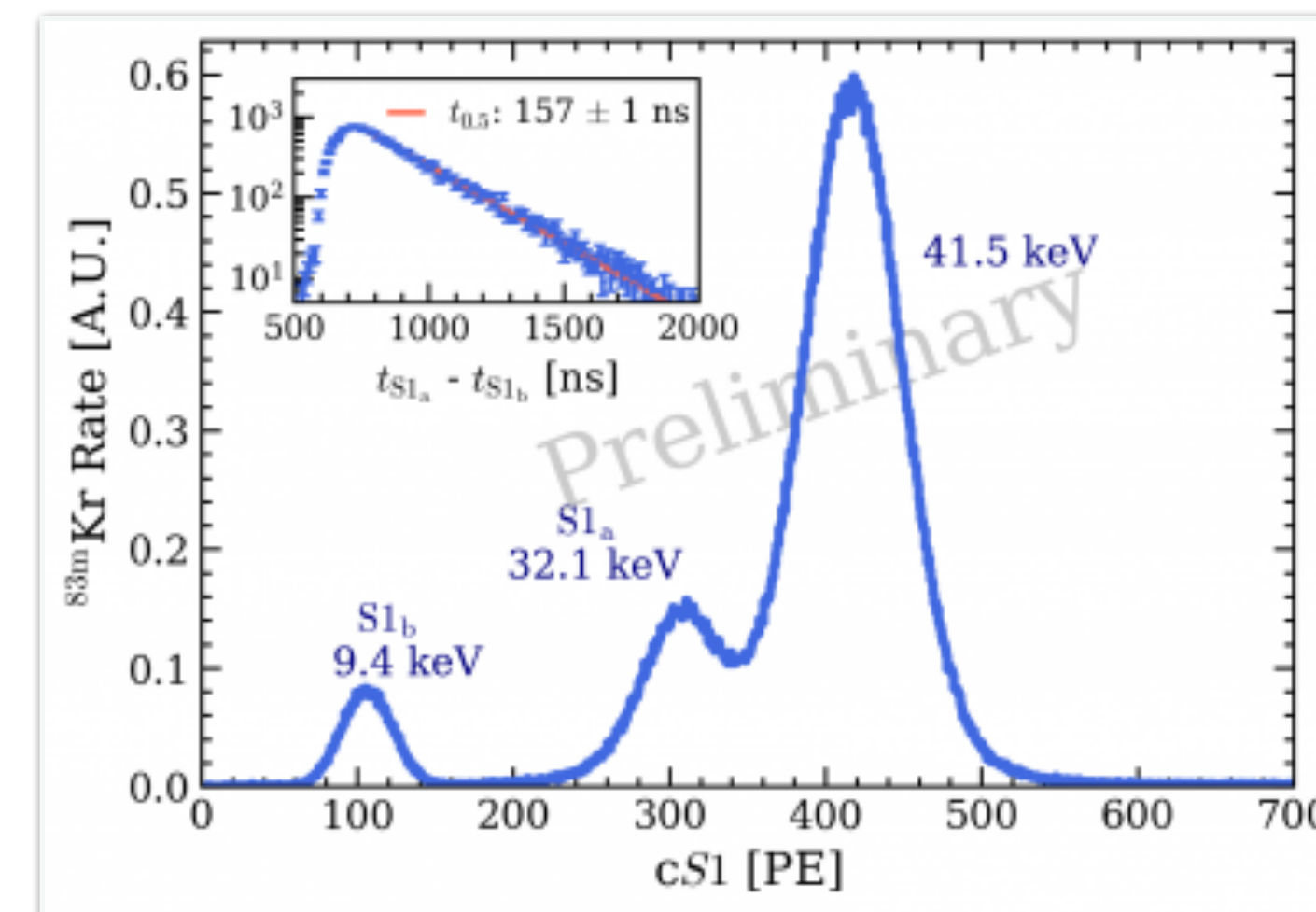
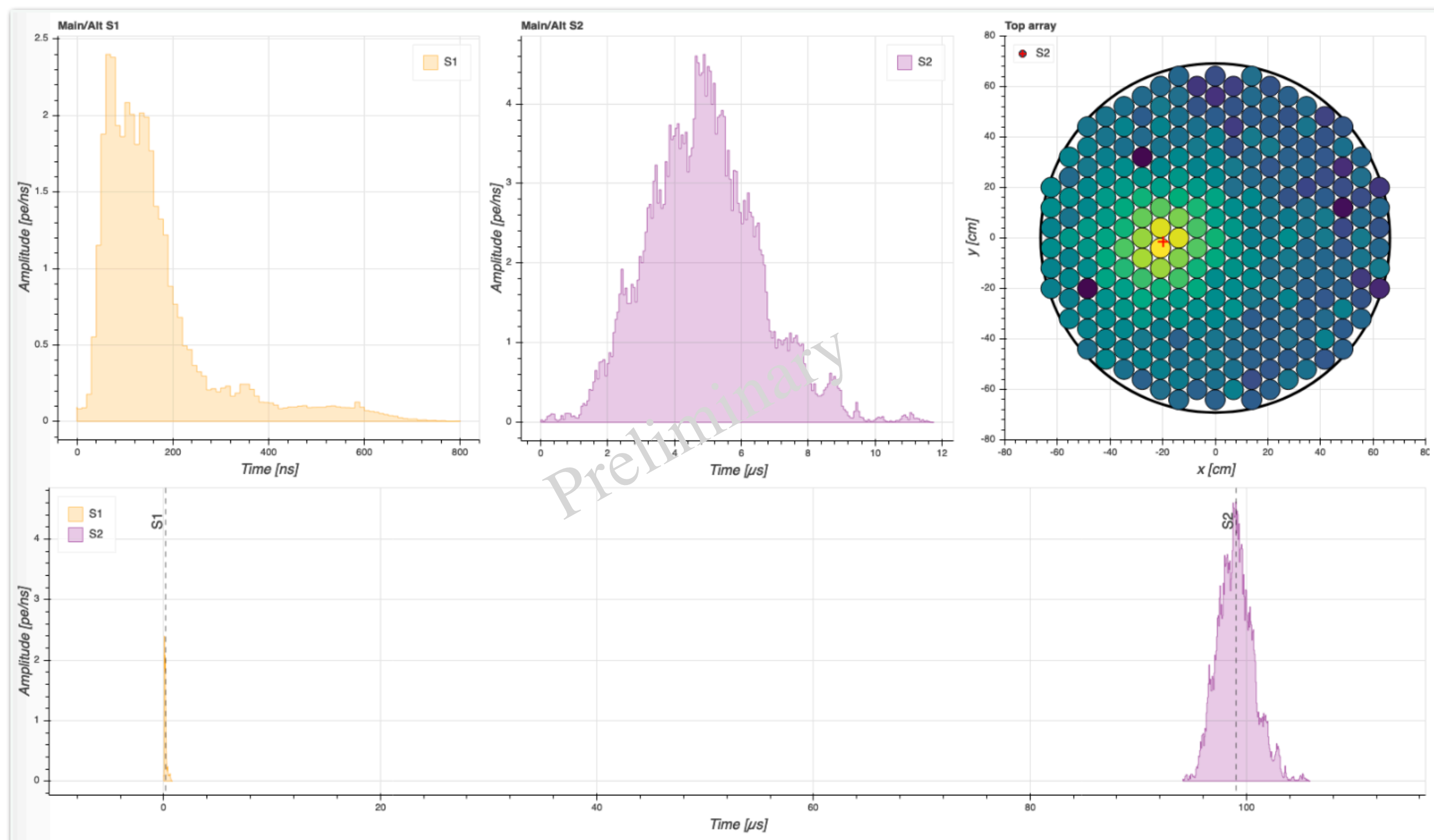


Commissioning of the neutron veto after filled with water



XENONnT Commissioning

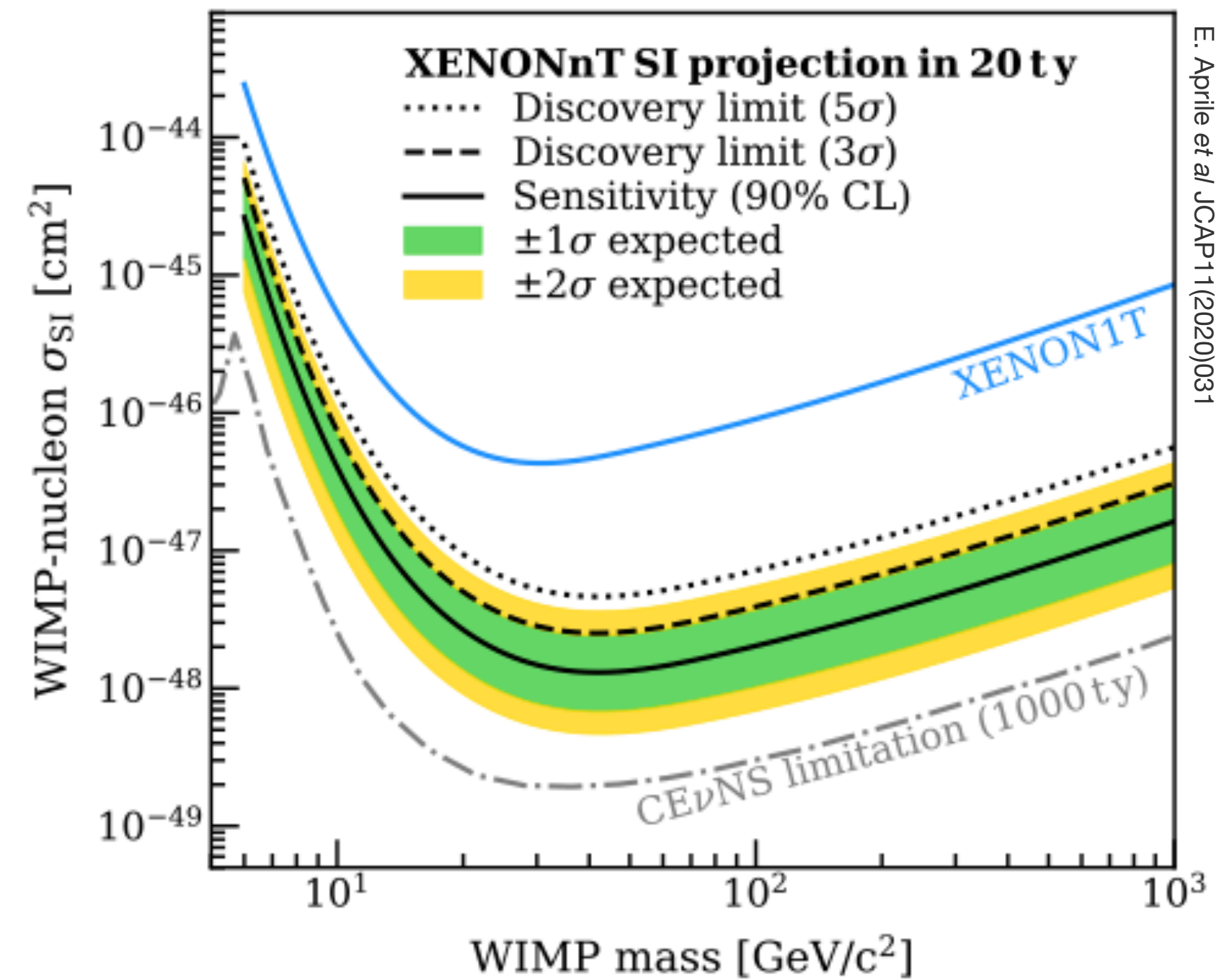
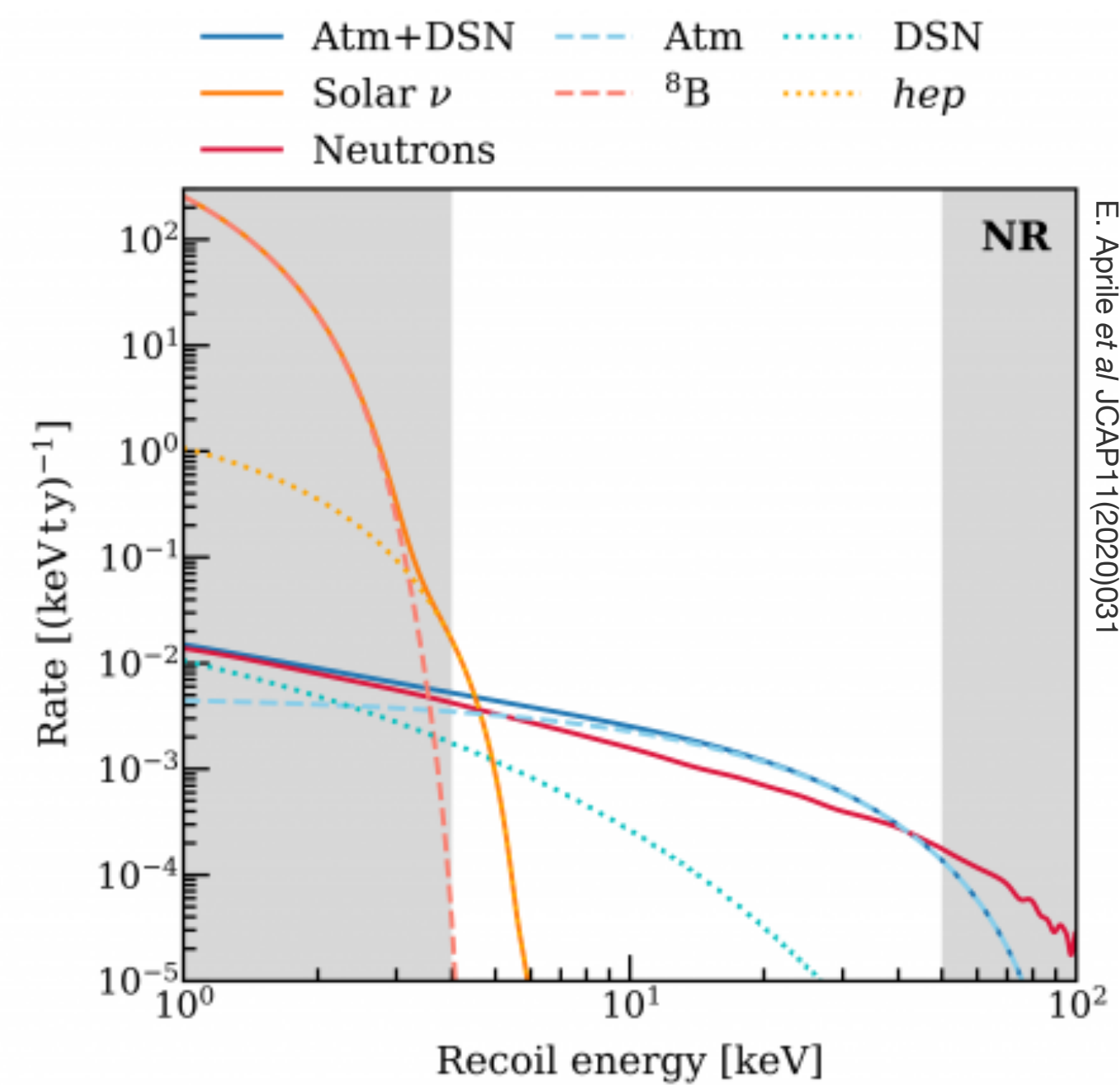
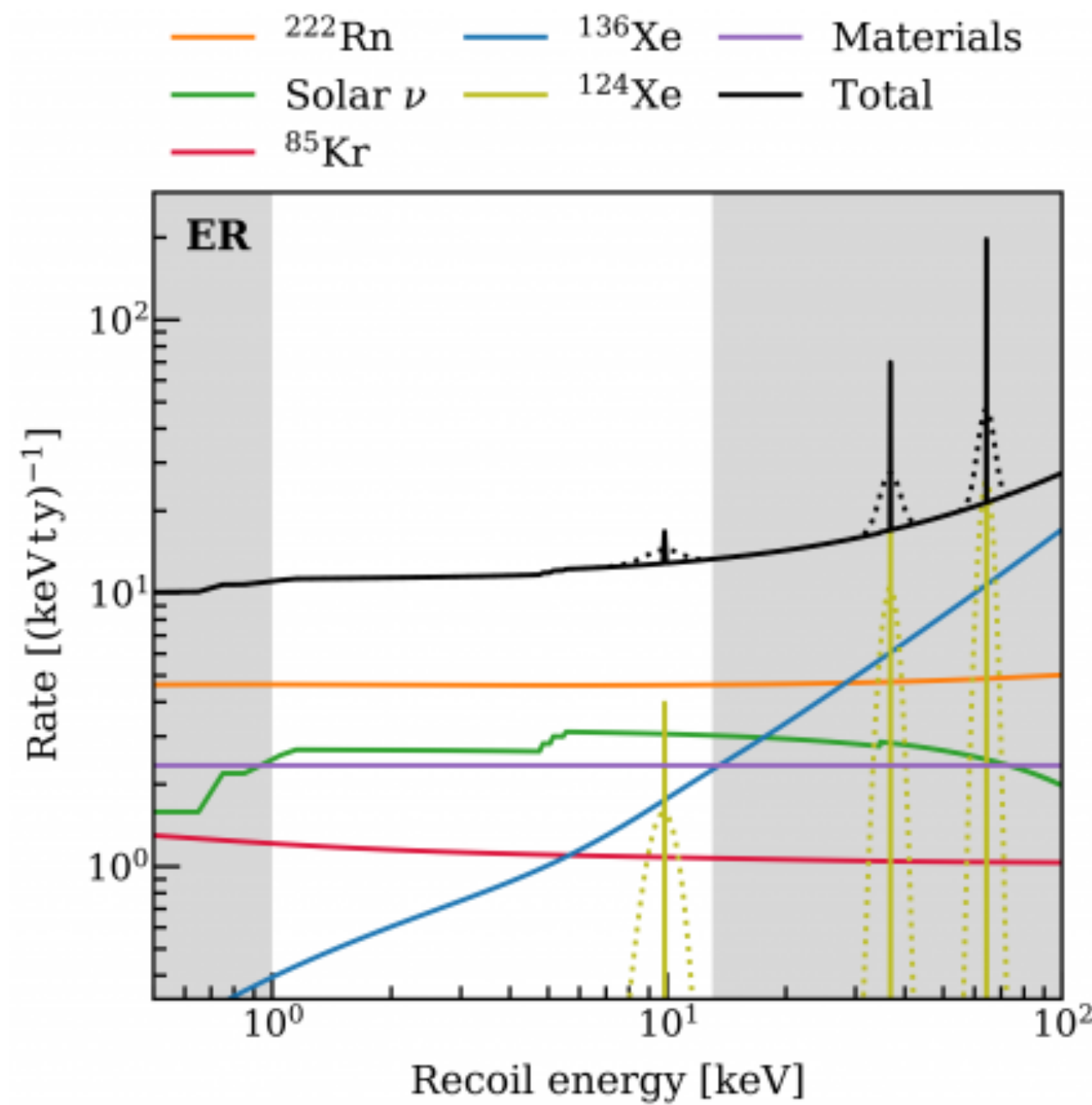
S1 & S2 signals observed during TPC commissioning

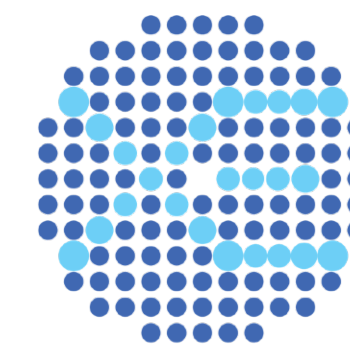




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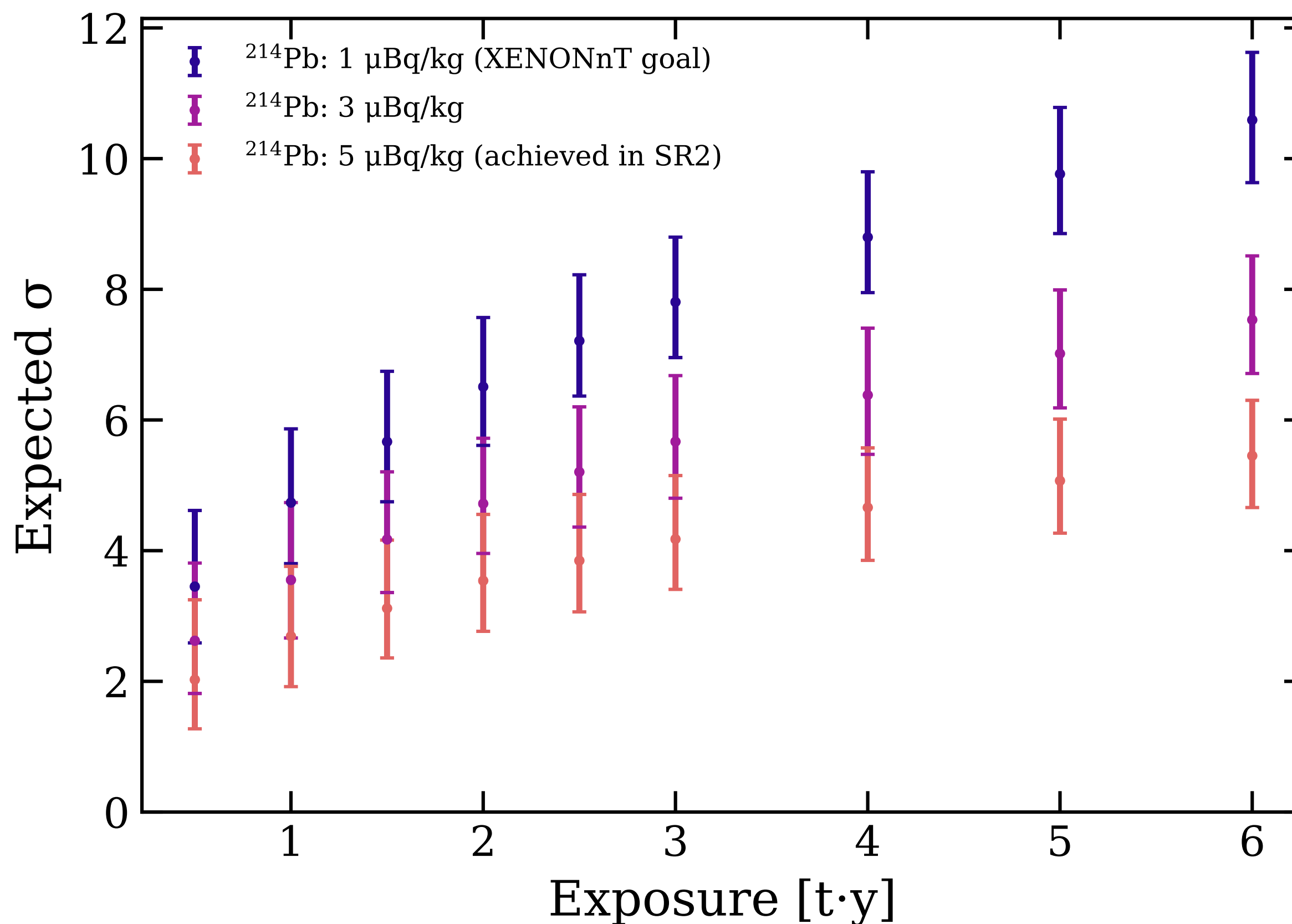
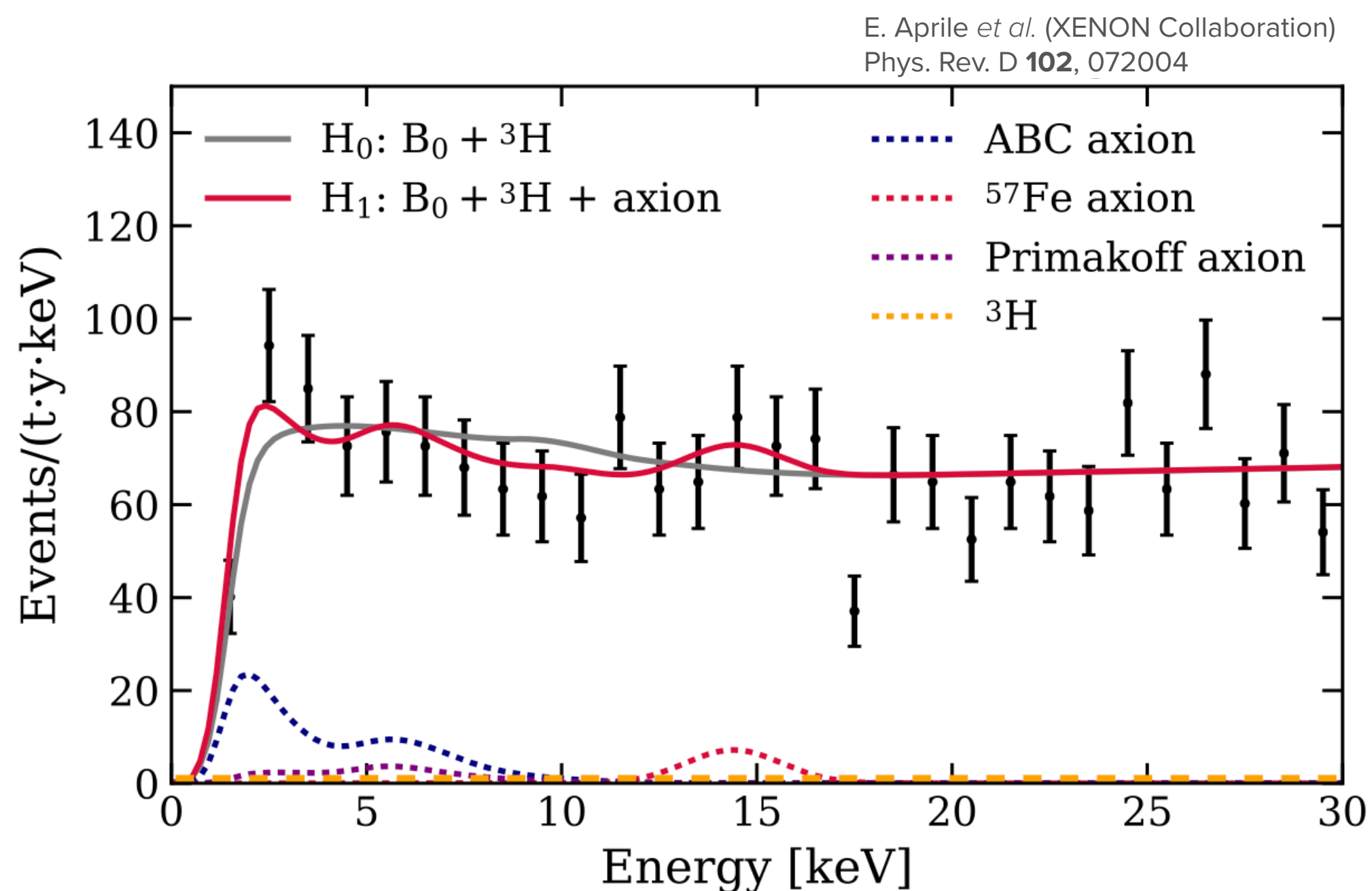
Dark Matter direct search





XENONnT Physics Program

XENON1T LE excess investigation



Expected to discriminate axions from tritium with a few months of science data based on energy spectrum alone



REMARKS

➤ Despite challenging times, the XENON collaboration successfully completed installation of the XENONnT experiment

➤ Early this year the commissioning of XENONnT systems started and it's ongoing

➤ Stay tuned for results

Direct dark matter search

- ➔ WIMP models
- ➔ Light dark matter
- ➔ Mirror dark matter
- ➔ Etc...
- ➔

Solar Neutrinos

- ➔ ^8B CEvNS
- ➔ pp elastic scattering
- ➔ Magnetic moment
- ➔

More

- ➔ Neutrinoless double beta decay
- ➔ Super nova neutrinos
- ➔ Solar axions



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