

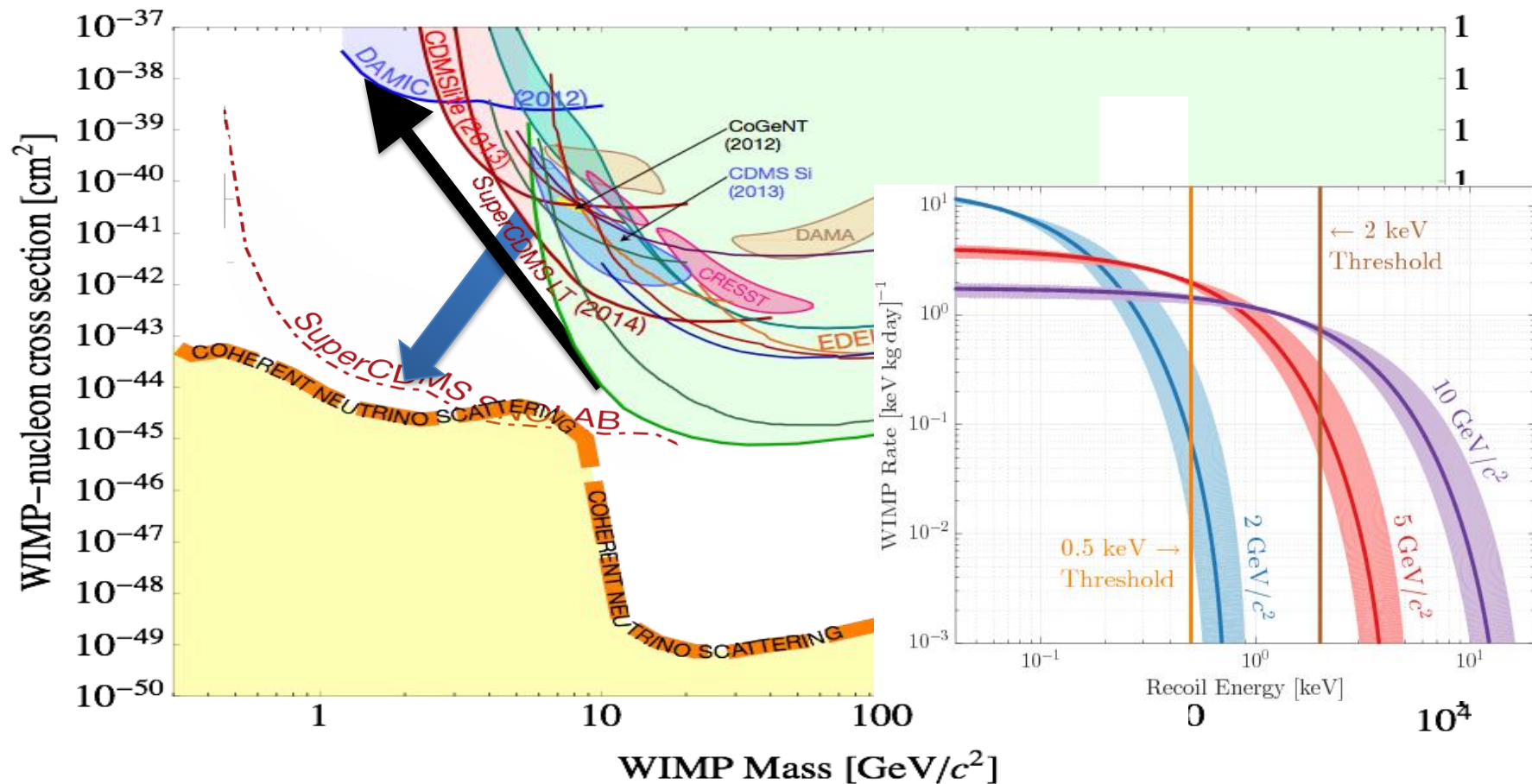
SuperCDMS SNOLAB Gen2 and Beyond



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G2 Landscape: SuperCDMS Low-mass Search

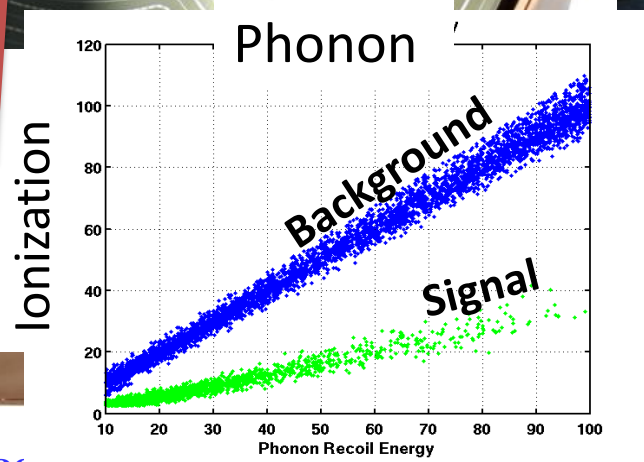
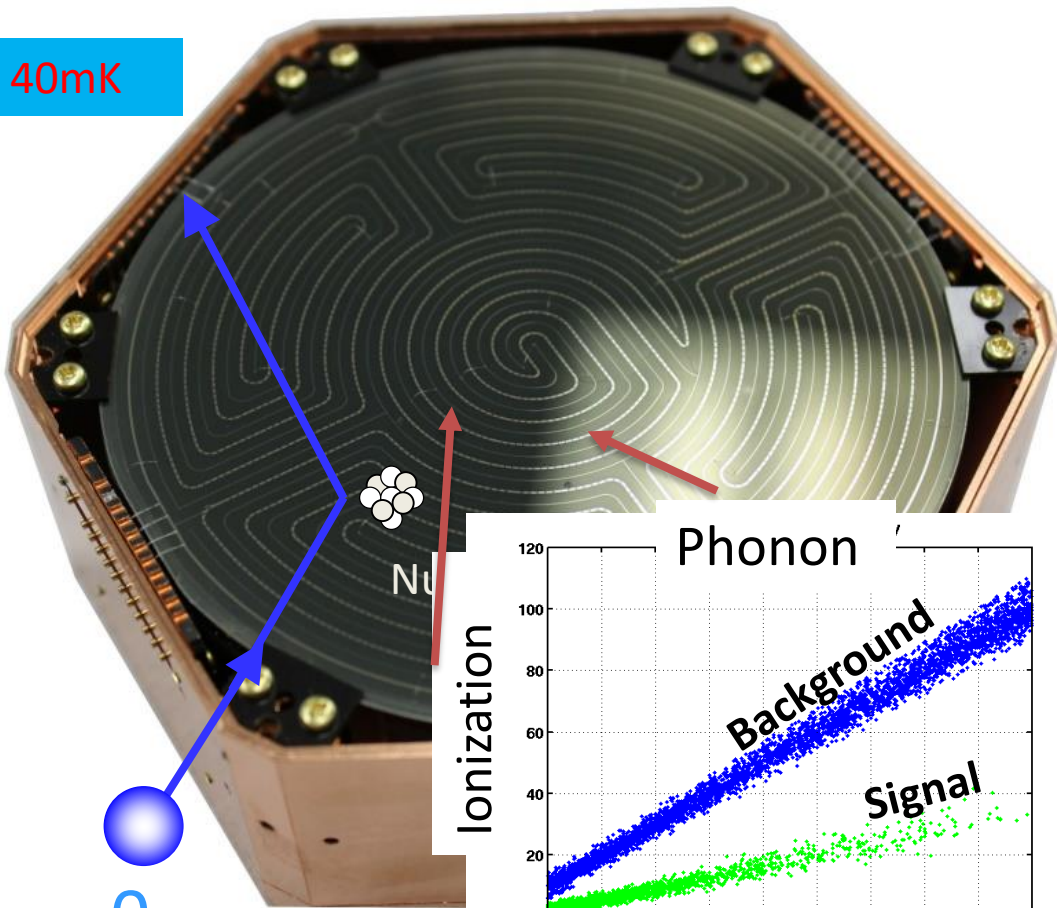


- SuperCDMS SNOLAB focuses on low mass DM region
 - Over 1000x better sensitivity compared to SuperCDMS sudan
 - Driven by improvements in detector design, better background control, more exposure, and lower thresholds

Cryogenic Dark Matter Search: The Big Picture

Cryogenically cooled Ge/Si detectors with photo-lithographically patterned Transition Edge Sensors for excellent energy and position resolution

40mK



Demonstrated two decades of leading WIMP search limits with excellent low-background performance

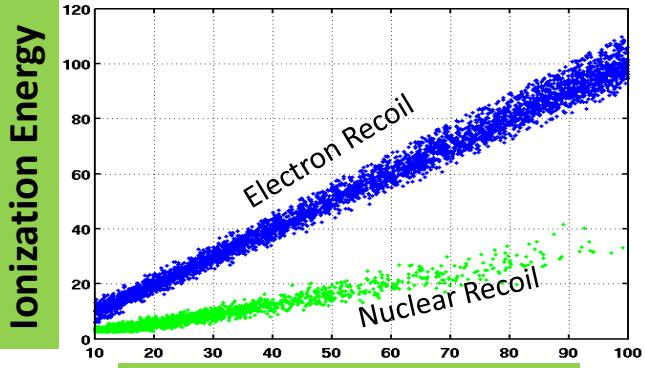


χ^0
 $v/c \approx 10^{-3}$ (Galactic)
 $Mc^2 \approx 50 - 500$ GeV

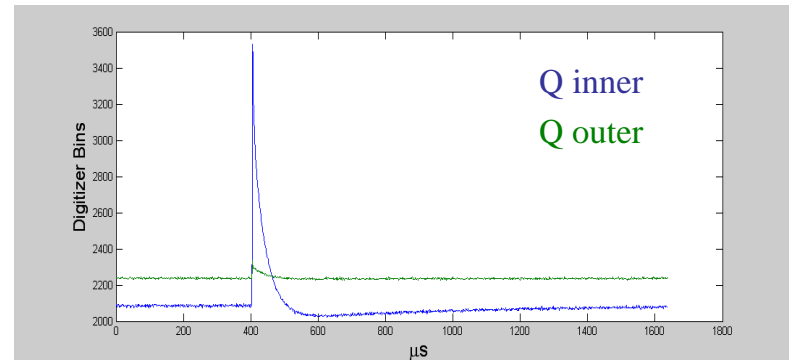
X-Y-Z Position from Phonon Pulse Timing

- Passive Shielding (Pb, poly, *depth*)
- Active Shielding (muon veto shield)

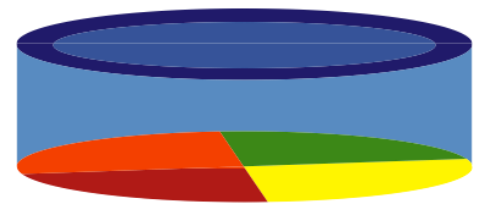
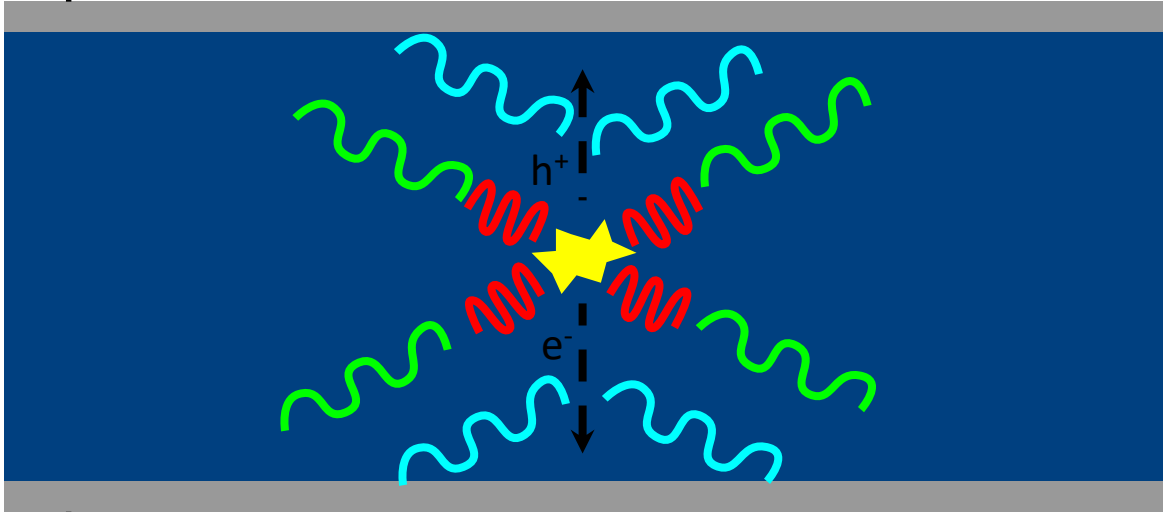
Anatomy of an event



Phonon Energy (Recoil)

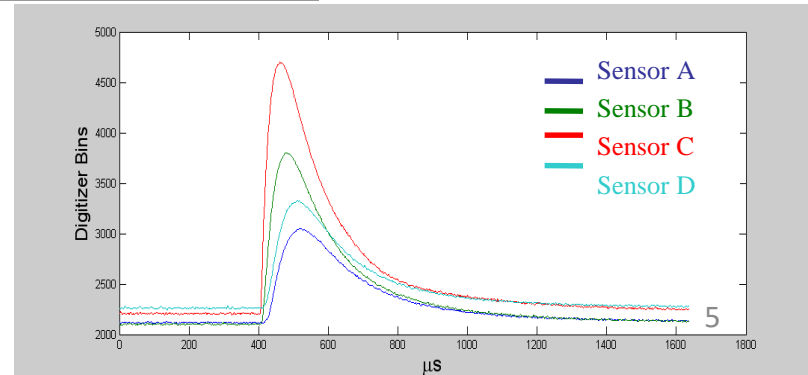


-3V Hot charge carriers (3eV/pair)

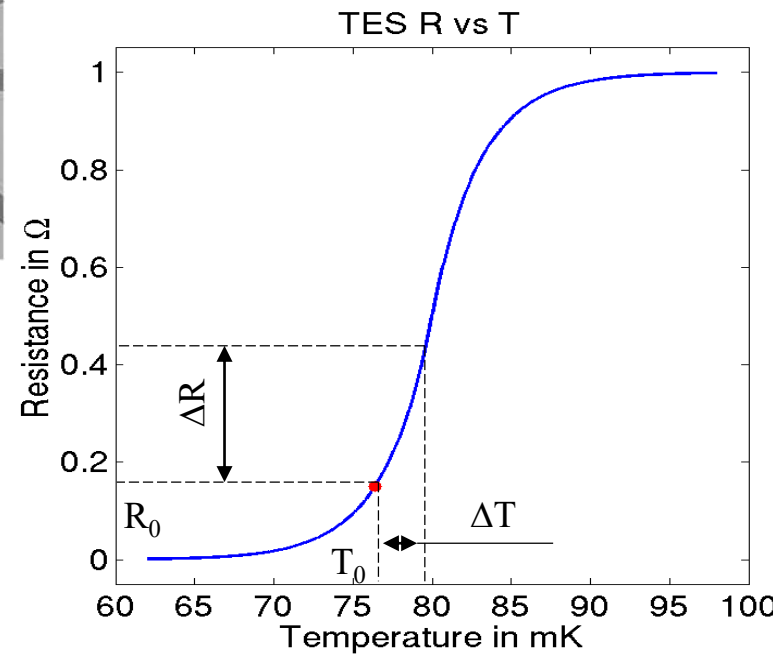
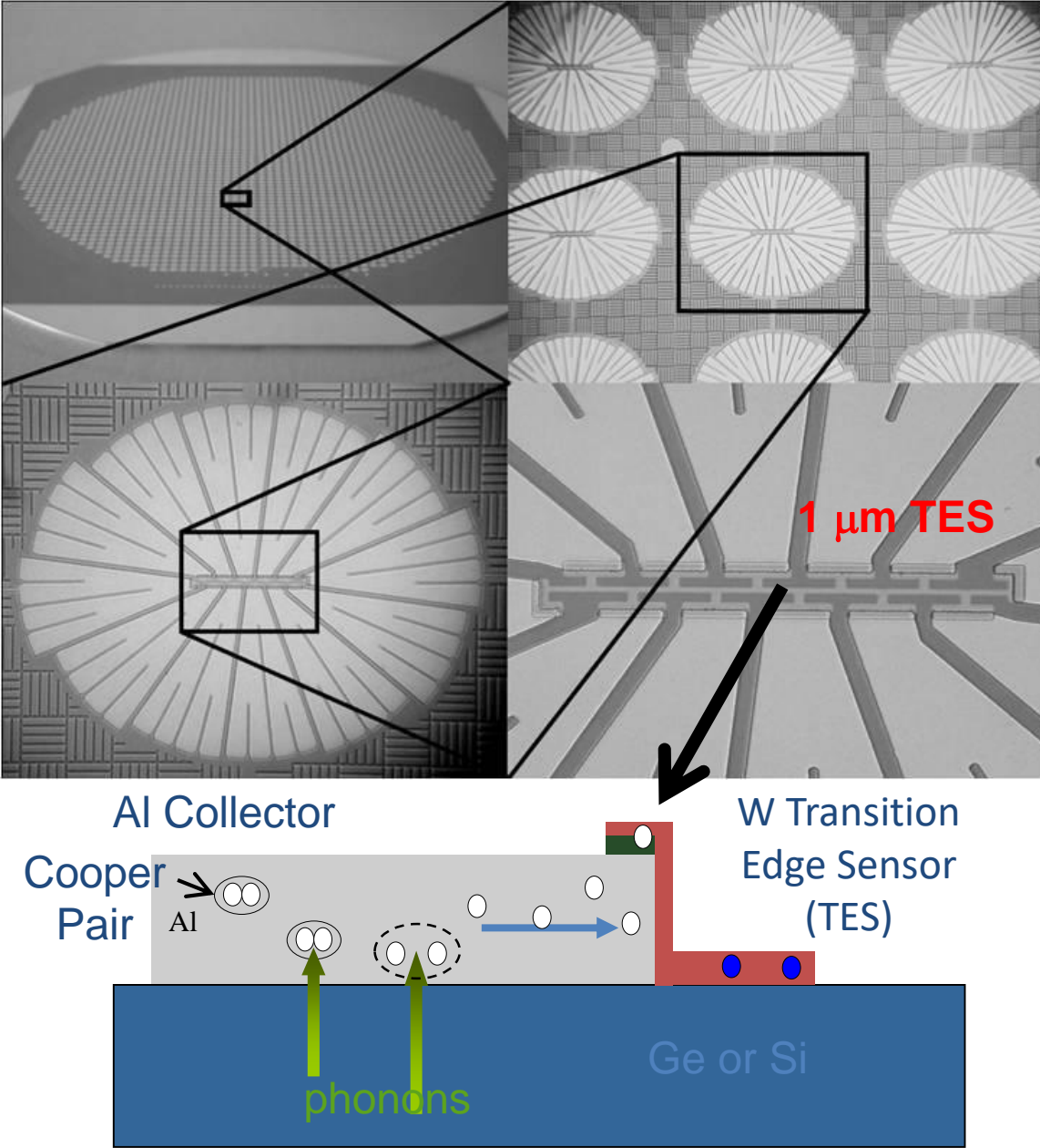


0V
 Quasi-diffusive THz phonons
 Ballistic Neganov-Luke phonons
 Ballistic low-frequency phonons

Total Phonons = Direct Phonons + Luke Phonons



Phonon Sensors



Phonons are collected by superconducting Al fins ($\Delta \sim \text{meV}$), creating quasi particles that are then trapped by the W Transition Edge Sensors (TES), held in equilibrium between Normal and Superconducting temp. SQUIDS measure small change in current through sharp $\Delta R / \Delta T$

Dedicated Fab @ TAMU 1st SNOLAB Tower Fab

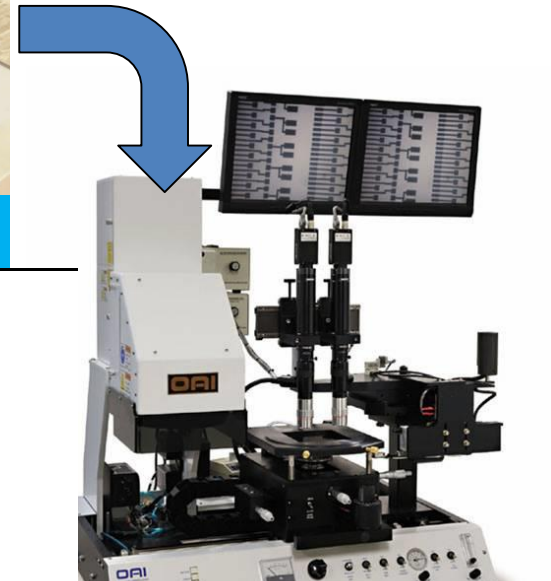
Multi-step process
repeatable for high quality
detectors



Deposition



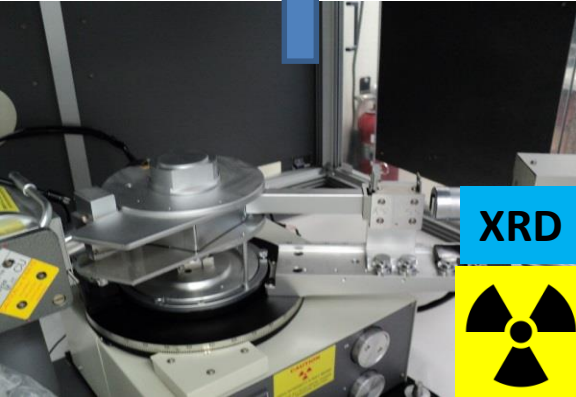
Photo Coat



Circuit Mask Exposure



Polish



XRD



Inspect and Package



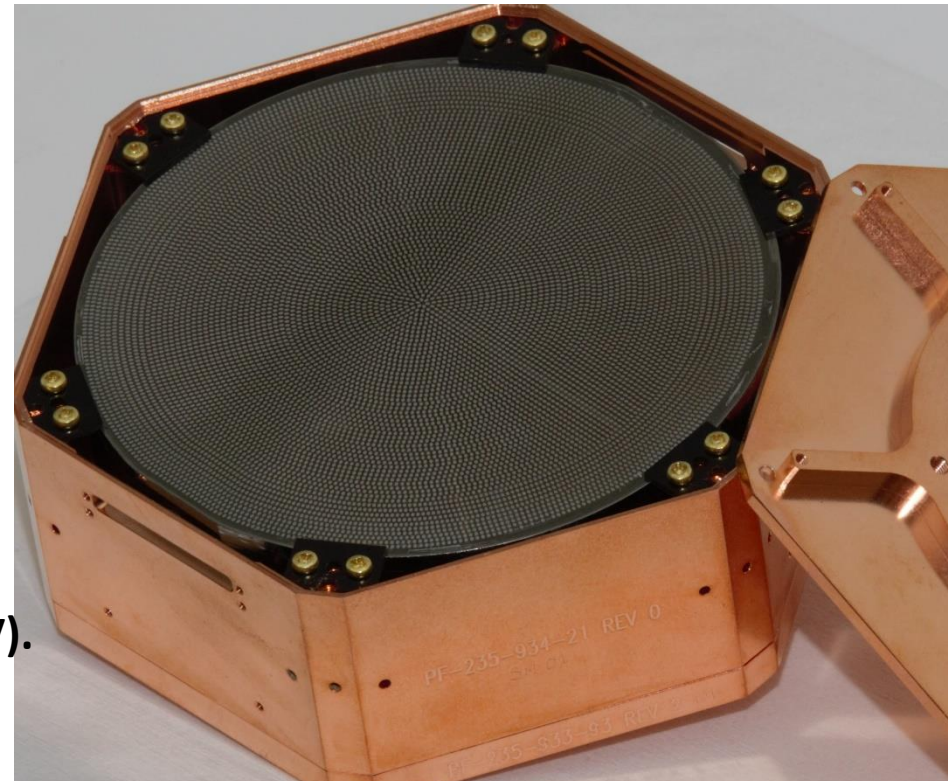
Chemical Etch

Detector Technologies – iZIP and HV

iZIP Detector with ionization and phonon sensors for ER/NR discrimination ($>keV$)

First SNOLAB Ge iZIP (fabricated at TAMU)

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.00006.pdf>

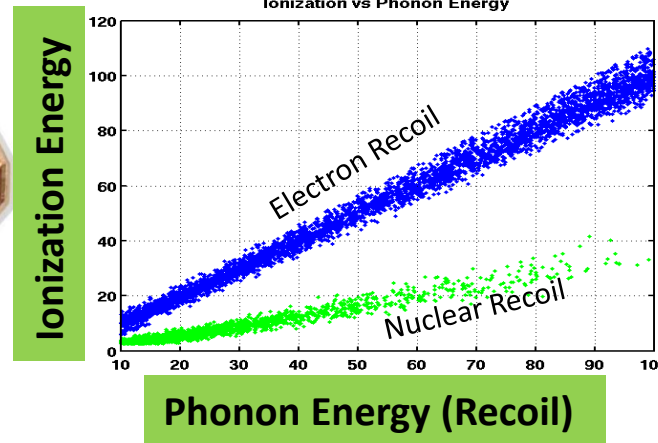
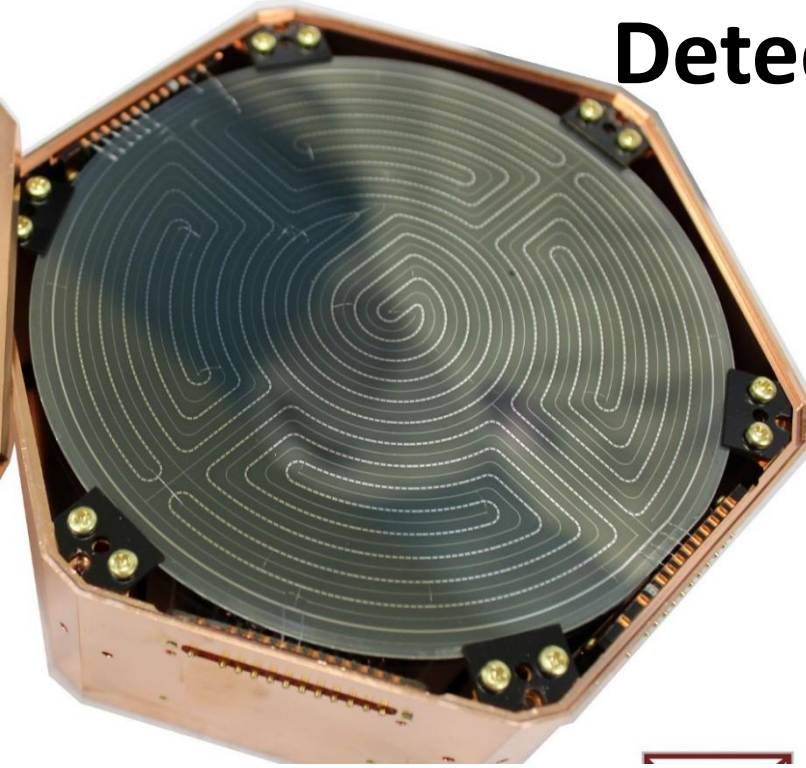


High Voltage Detector with NTL gain. Give up discrimination in favor of low threshold ($\sim 100eV$).

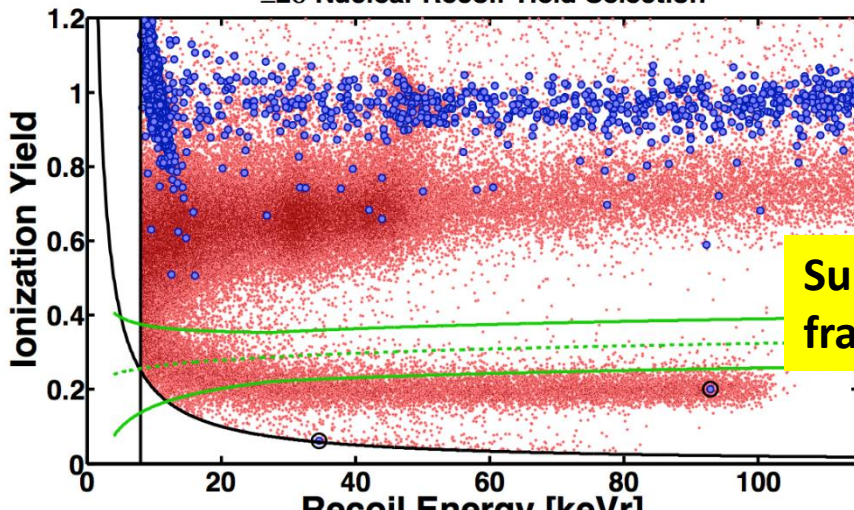
First SNOLAB Si HV (fabricated at TAMU)

Detector Technologies - iZIP

Simultaneous measurement of ionization and phonon for ER/NR discrimination (>keV)

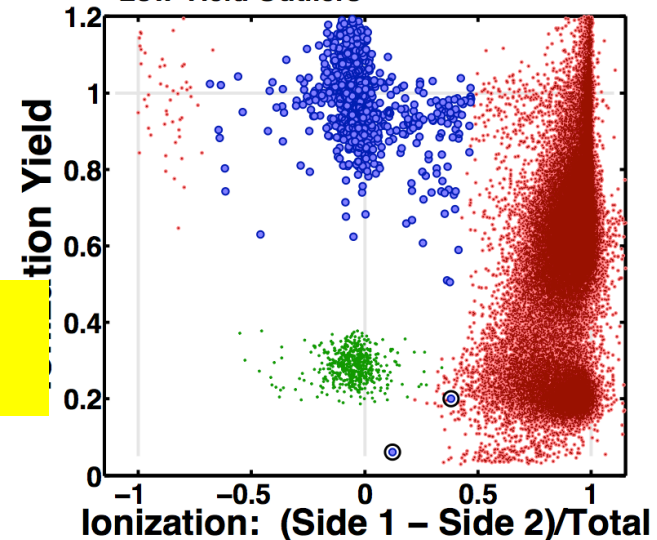


- Failing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Passing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Low Yield Outliers
- $\pm 2\sigma$ Nuclear Recoil Yield Selection

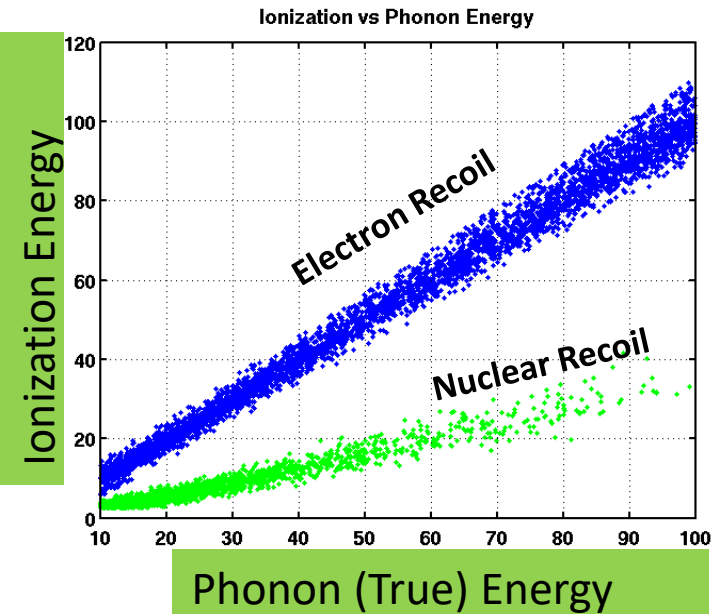


Surface event leakage fraction $< 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$

- Failing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Passing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Neutrons from Cf-252 Calibration Source
- Low Yield Outliers



Detector Technologies - High Voltage (HV)



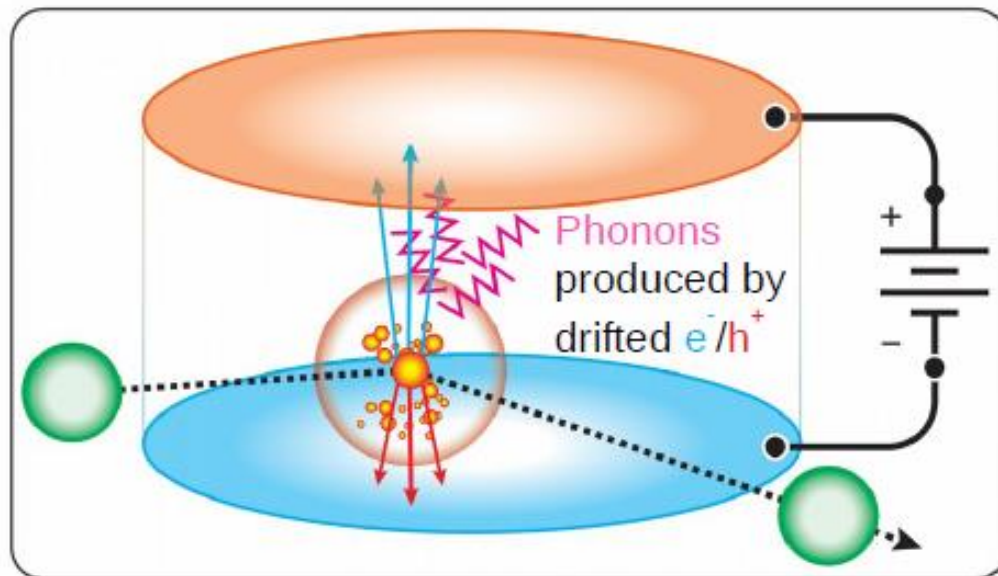
Ionization efficiency small ($\sim 1/5$) at low energies

To detect low WIMP nuclear recoil, challenge is to measure the much lower ionization signal

Use Luke-Neganov amplification: Drifting electron across high voltage would produce lots of phonons

Phonon-based charge amplification through Voltage has already been used by CDMSLite up to 25V/cm.

9 eVee baseline resolution achieved for \sim kg-scale

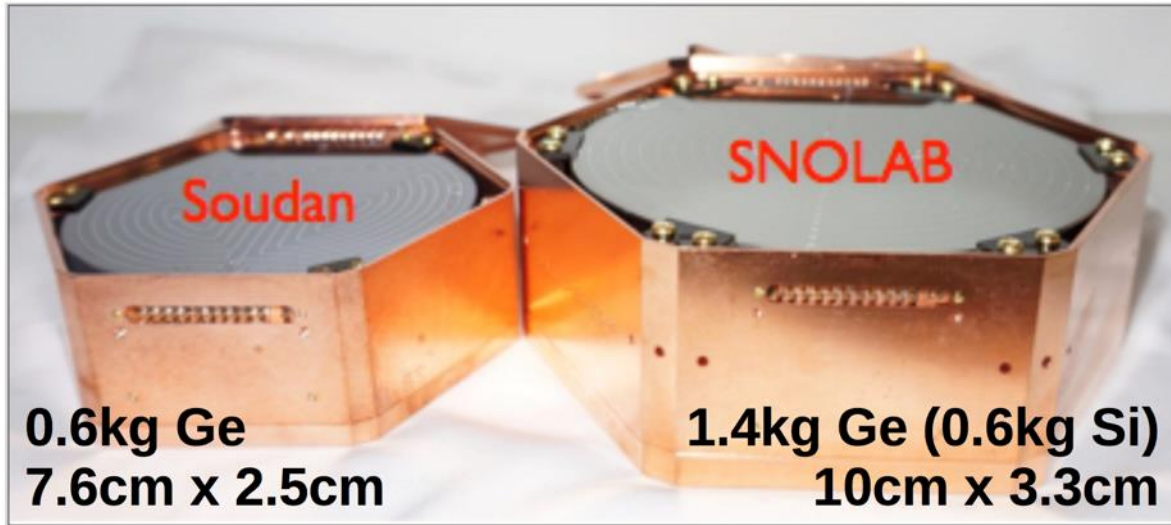


- **Luke-Neganov Gain**

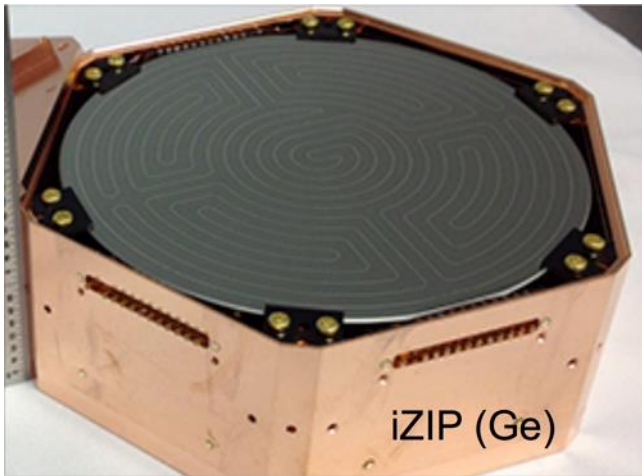
$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{tot} &= E_r + E_{luke} \\
 &= E_r + n_{eh}eV_b \\
 &= E_r \left(1 + \frac{eV_b}{\epsilon_{eh}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Improved Detectors



- Bigger
- Larger voltage bias
- More position information
- Lower Tc for better phonon resolution
- Resolution approaching level of single electron-hole pair (for HV)



	iZIP		HV	
	Ge	Si	Ge	Si
Number of detectors	10	2	8	4
Total exposure (kg·yr)	56	4.8	44	9.6
Phonon resolution (eV)	50	25	10	5
Ionization resolution (eV)	100	110	–	–
Voltage Bias (V)	6	8	100	100

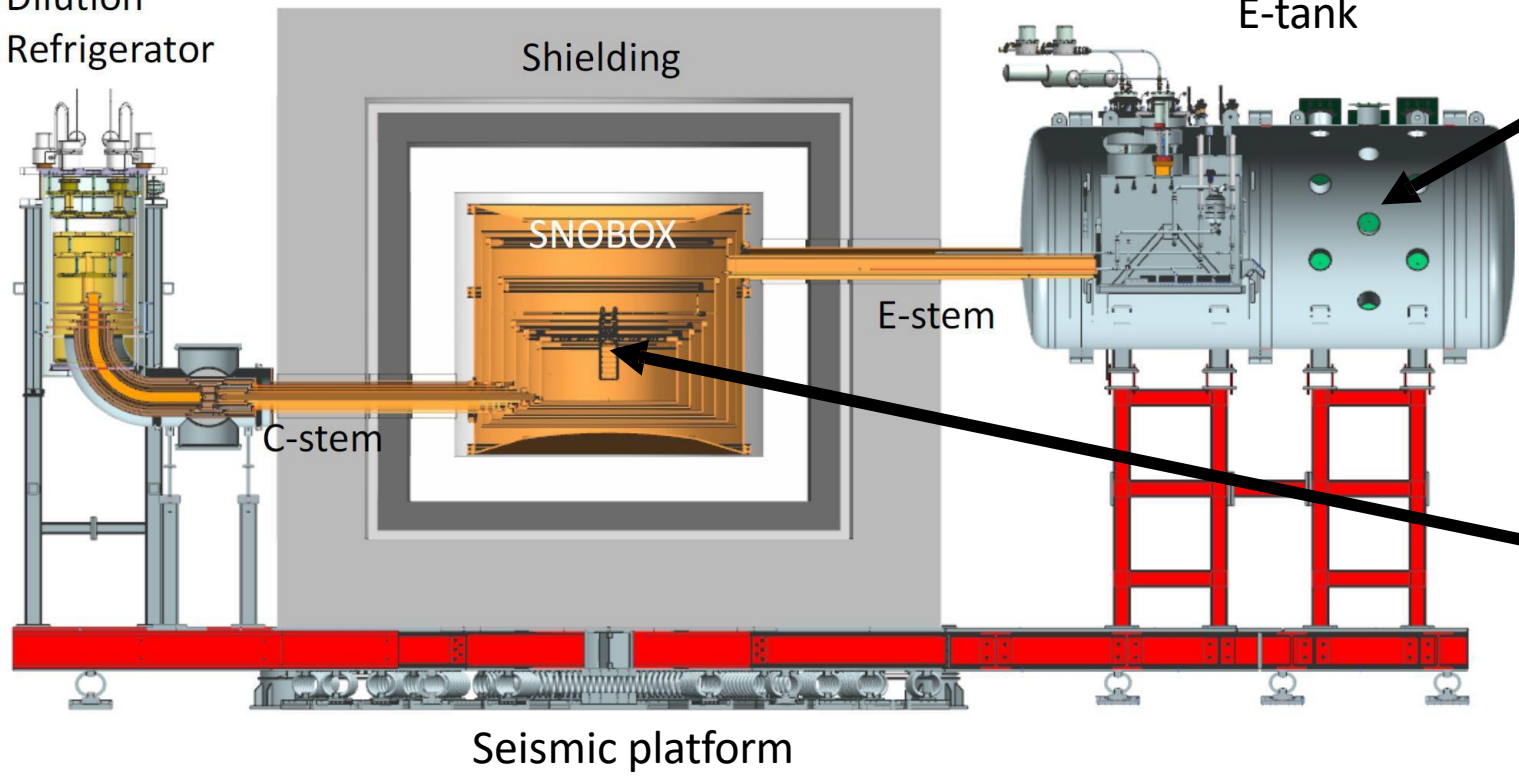
Expected threshold as per SuperCDMS SNOLAB sensitivity

<200 eVnr in iZIP and **<40 eVnr** in HV detectors

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.00006.pdf>

SuperCDMS experiment design

15 mK
Dilution
Refrigerator



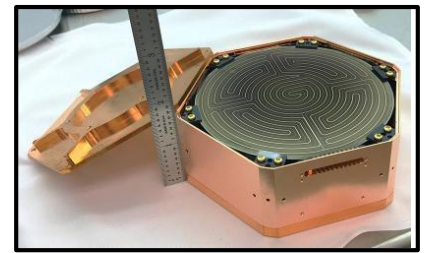
DCRC boards



Detector tower



Detector housing



C-Stem (cold) is stem for heat conduction to a dilution refrigerator






E-tank is the vacuum bulkhead where the detector readout boards (DCRCs) connect

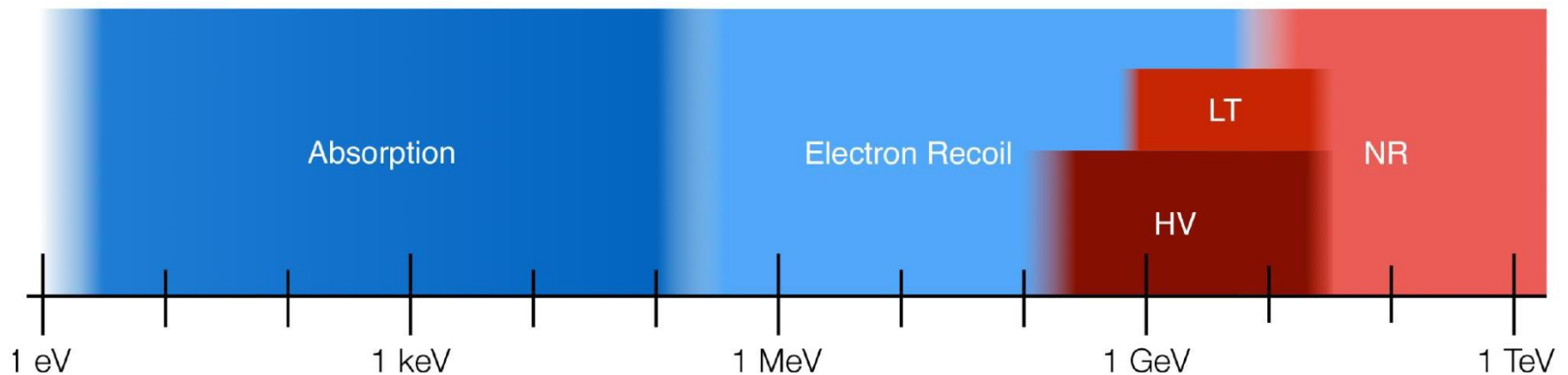
Shielding:

- Cu cans
- Inner neutron shield
- Pb gamma shield
- Outer neutron shield

E-Stem (electronic) carries signals out from the detectors

SuperCDMS: A broadband DM search

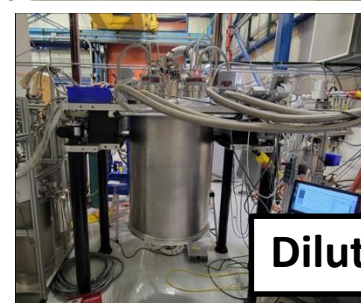
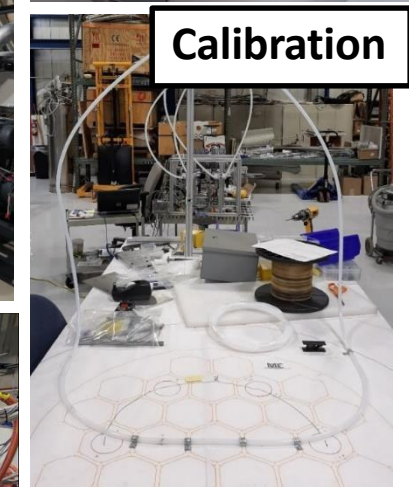
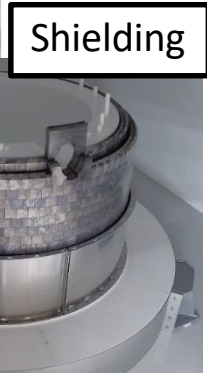
	Traditional Nuclear Recoil	iZIP, Background free	>5 GeV
	Low Threshold Nuclear Recoil	iZIP, limited discrimination	>1 GeV
	HV mode	HV, no discrimination	0.3 - 10 GeV
	Electron recoil	HV, no discrimination	0.5 MeV - 10 GeV
	Absorption (Dark Photons, ALPs)	HV, no discrimination	1 eV - 500 keV



SuperCDMS installation in progress

Component deliveries to SNOLAB by the construction project

Plan	Status
Seismic Platform	Installed
3T Gantry Crane	Installed
Radon Reduction System	Installed
Cleanroom	Installed
DAQ	Installed
Computing	Offsite, data transferred to SLAC and others
Calibration	Preparing to ship
Readout Electronics	Complete
Dilution Refrigerator	Received from vendor
Shielding	Received from vendor
Detector Towers	Scheduling The Work
SNOBOX	In Development



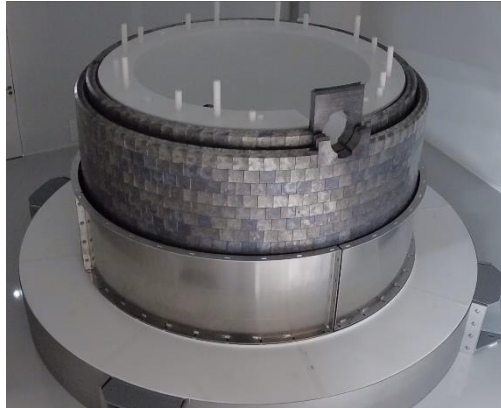
Plan is to start commissioning run in 2023!

SuperCDMS installation in progress

Seismic platform



Inner lead and polyethylene shield



Hardware



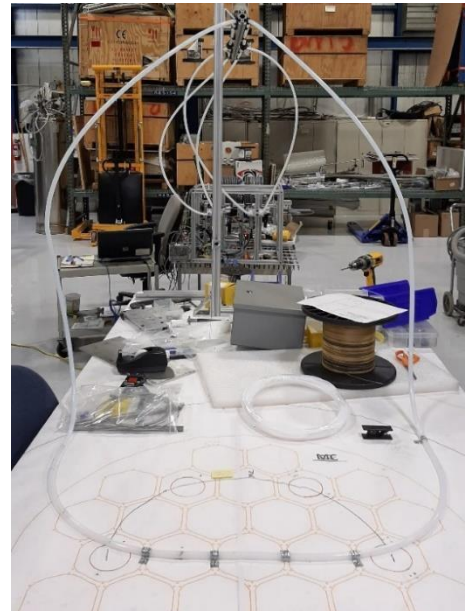
Radon filter system



Chilled waterloop

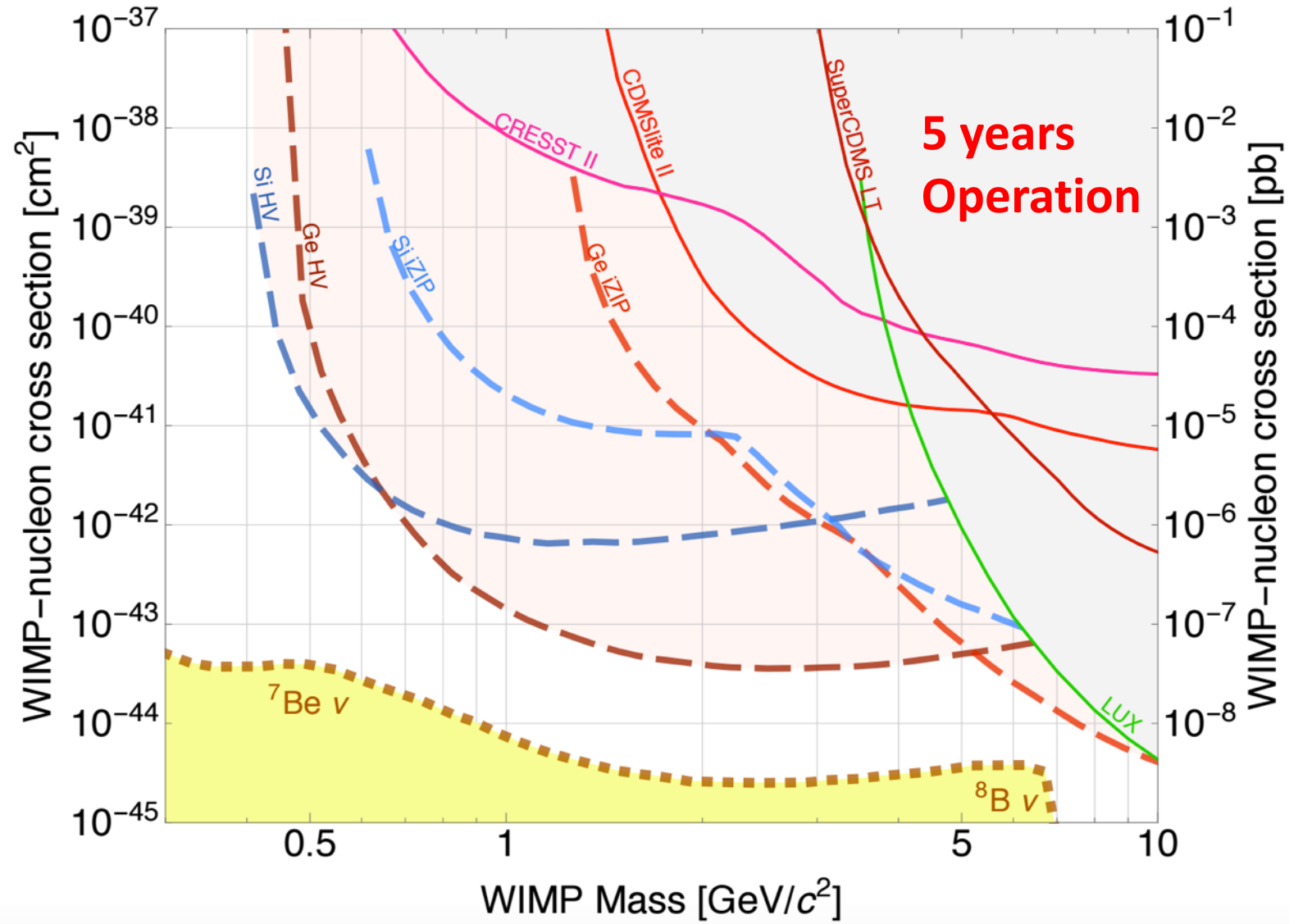


Calibration system



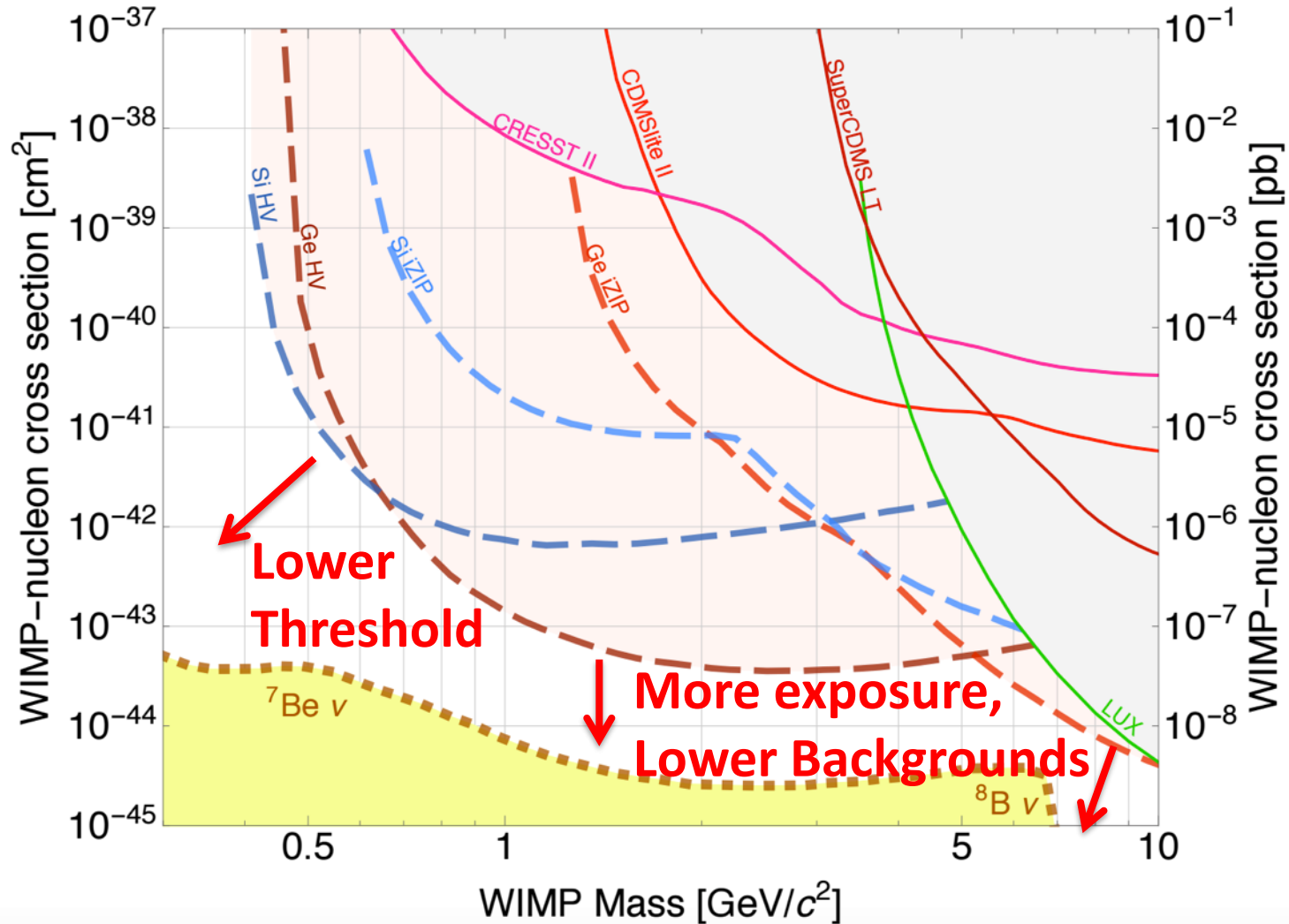
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Projected Sensitivity



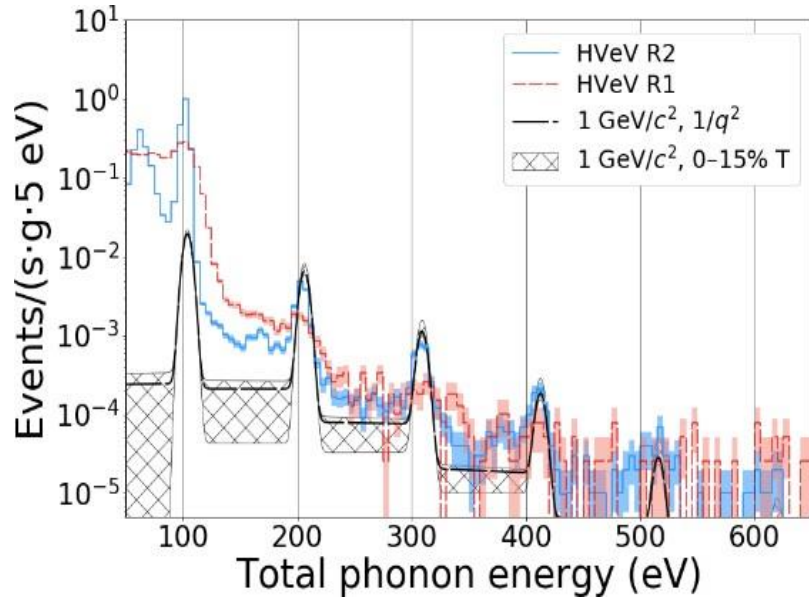
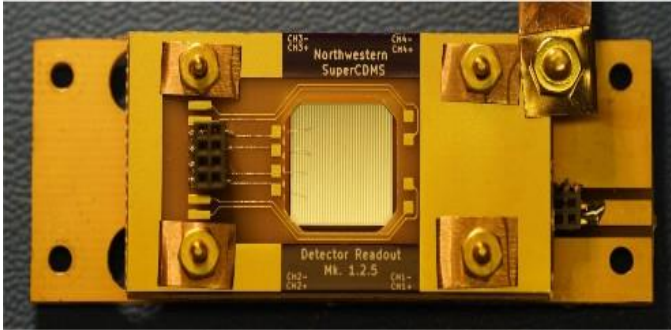
Future SNOLAB Upgrades

Let's reach the solar neutrino floor!



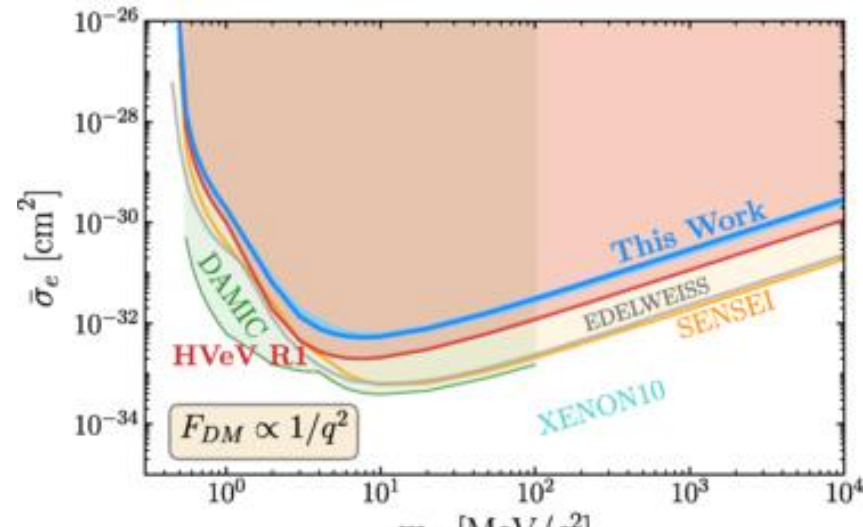
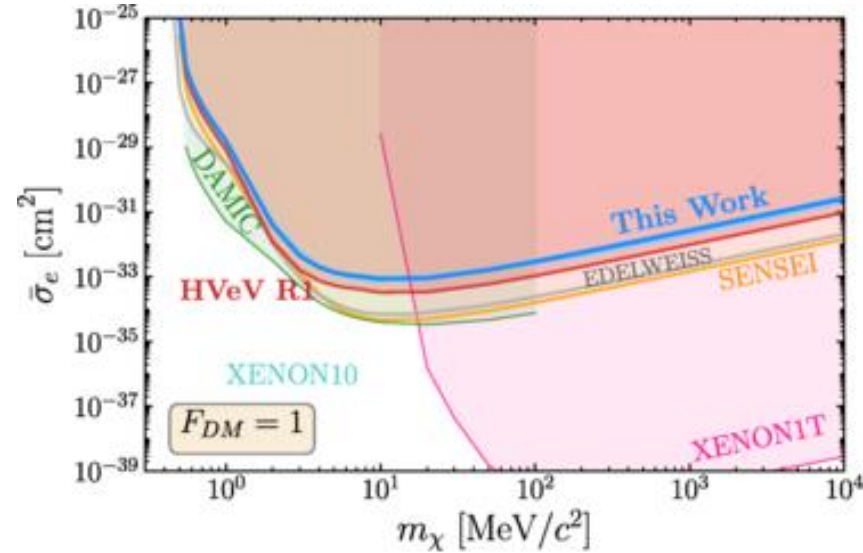
Single-e sensitive HVeV Detector (gram -scale)

Single-e sensitivity has been demonstrated at gram-scale (1cm²x4mm) Si detector. Run 1 at Stanford and Run 2 at Northwestern provided world leading low-mass sensitivity



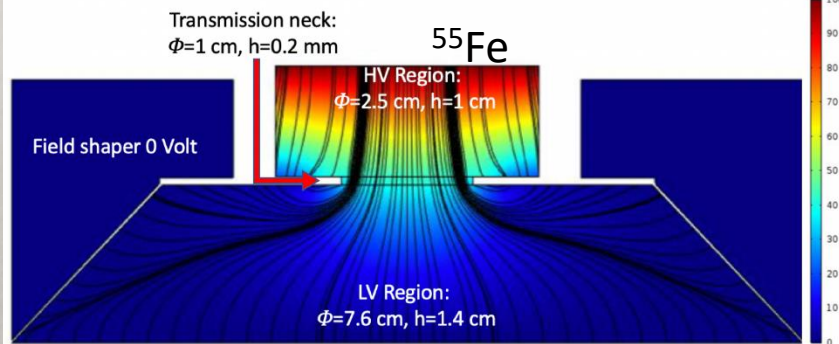
See Schmidt talk on energy calibration with HVeV

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Hybrid HV Detector

Main idea: Monolithic detector with a LV and a HV side – LV to measure primary phonons like iZIP and HV to measure NTL phonons. Do it without significant NTL pollution from HV to LV. **~100gm**



^{241}Am

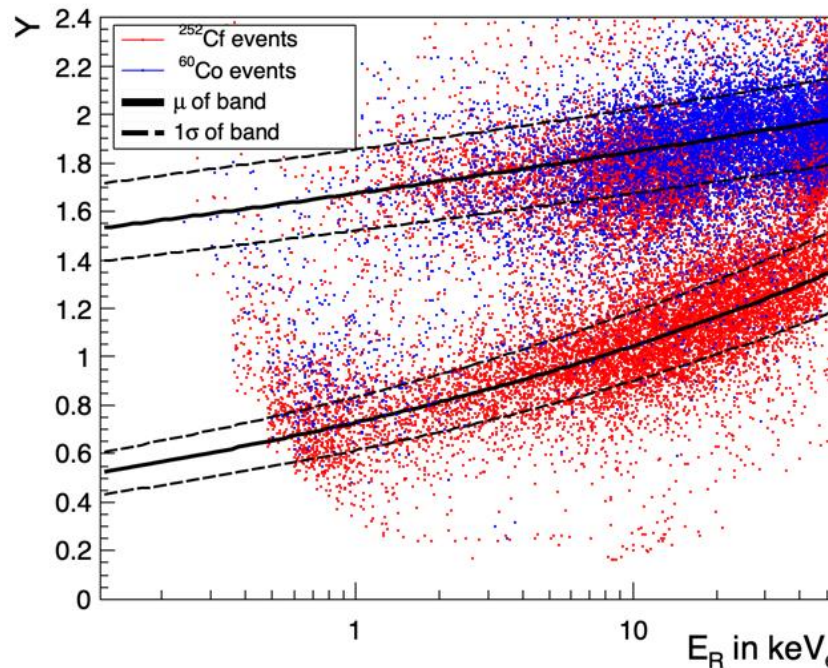
Charge transport from LV region to HV almost 100%

$$P_{HV} = \alpha[(1 - \eta_{HL})E_R LV_{HV} / 4 + \eta_{LH} E_R (1 + LV_{LV} / 4)]$$

$$P_{LV} = \beta[\eta_{HL} E_R LV_{HV} / 4 + (1 - \eta_{LH})E_R (1 + LV_{LV} / 4)]$$

$$\text{Discrimination : } D = \frac{P_{HV}}{P_{LV}}$$

Discrimination improves at low energies due to the Lindhard suppression of NR ionization. Funded by DOE for DM and CEvNS searches



Phonon-mediated High-voltage Detector with Background Rejection for Low-mass Dark Matter and Reactor Coherent Neutrino Scattering Experiments:
<https://inspirehep.net/literature/1802528>

Detector R&D for G2+

Exciting new detector technology being developed by the collaboration for low-energy detection. Reduced charge leakage, reduced T_c (σ scales as T_c^3) and improved design pushes the frontier for both HV detectors as well as 0V phonon detectors.

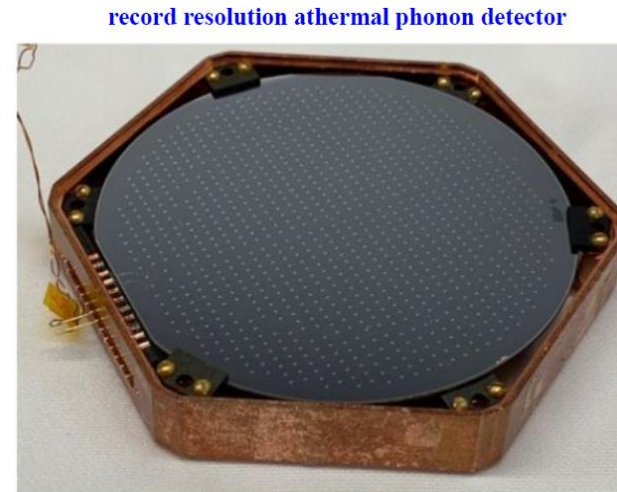
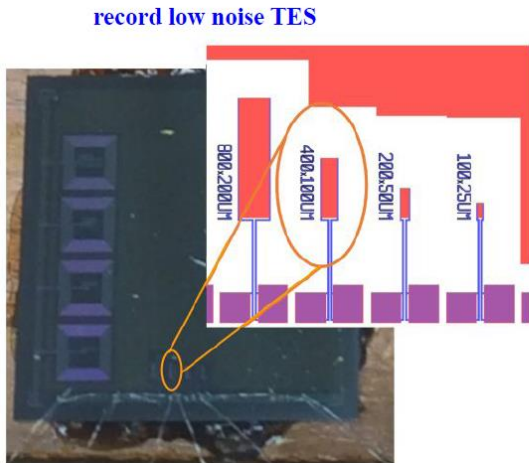
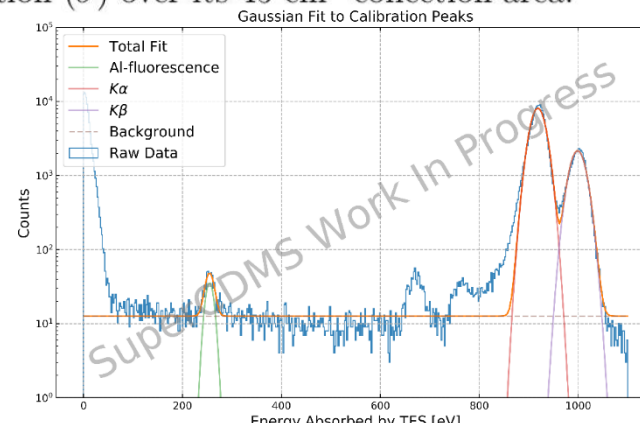


Figure 7: Simple small volume R&D TES test structures that have been fabricated by Texas A&M and tested by U C Berkeley. The 40mK 100 $\mu\text{m} \times 400\mu\text{m} \times 40\text{nm}$ thick TES has achieved a measured sensor resolution of 40meV and the requisite environmental noise isolation needed for requirement

Figure 2: Photo of prototype athermal phonon detector on thick silicon wafer of similar characteristics to our baseline, but larger area. This demonstrator was fabricated at Texas A&M and achieved a 3.9 eV resolution (σ) over its 45 cm^2 collection area.

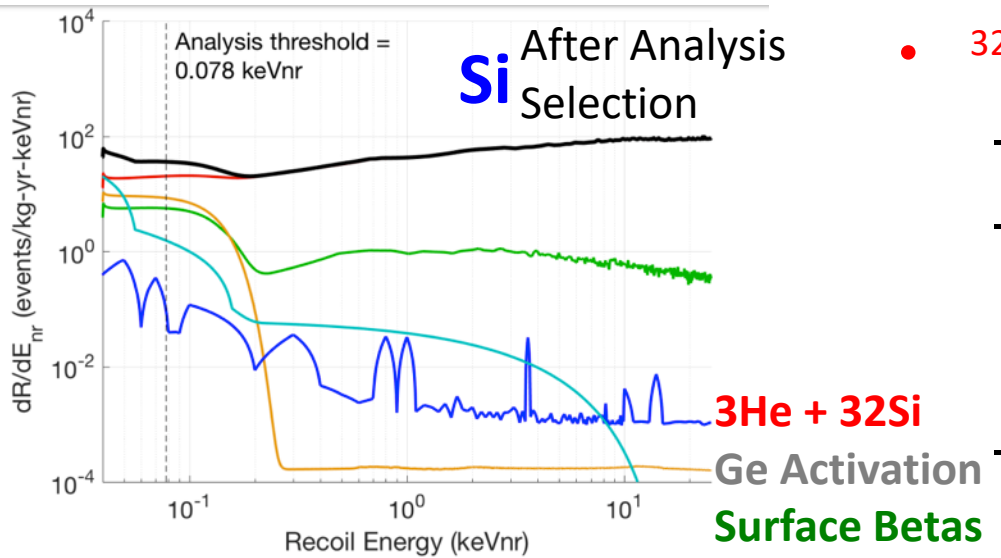
TES	T_c [mK]	Volume [$\mu\text{m} \times \mu\text{m} \times \text{nm}$]	σ_E [meV]	$\frac{\sigma_E}{\sqrt{V}} \left[\frac{\text{meV}}{\sqrt{\mu\text{m}^3}} \right]$
W [2]	125	25 \times 25 \times 35	120	25.7
Ti [3]	50	6 \times 0.4 \times 56	47	128.2
	100		47	
MoCu [4]	110.6	100 \times 100 \times 200	295.4	6.6
TiAu [5]	106	10 \times 10 \times 90	48	16
TiAu [6]	90	50 \times 50 \times 81	~23*	1.6
W	40	100\times400\times40	40	1.0



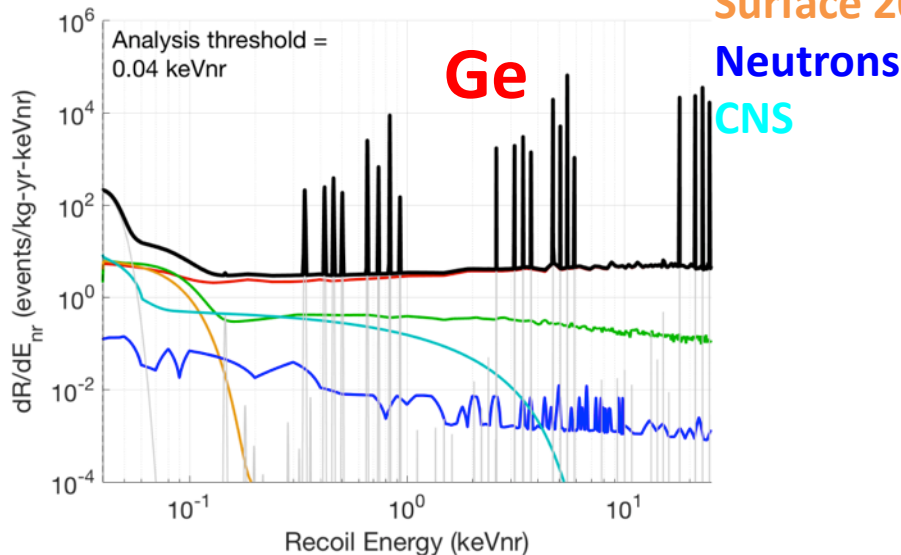
Summary

- SuperCDMS SNOLAB G2 making progress
- 4-tower initial payload for 5 years (2023-2028)
 - 25 kg Ge, 3.6 kg Si
 - iZIP (higher threshold, with ER/NR discrimination) and HV (low threshold, no discrimination) detectors
- Future improvements and payload increase with aim to reach neutrino floor
- Very active detector R&D program to push threshold down to single-electron sensitivity beyond the gram-scale HVeV detectors and maintain electron recoil-nuclear recoil discrimination below KeV by new technologies like the Hybrid detector.

Expected Backgrounds in High Voltage Detectors

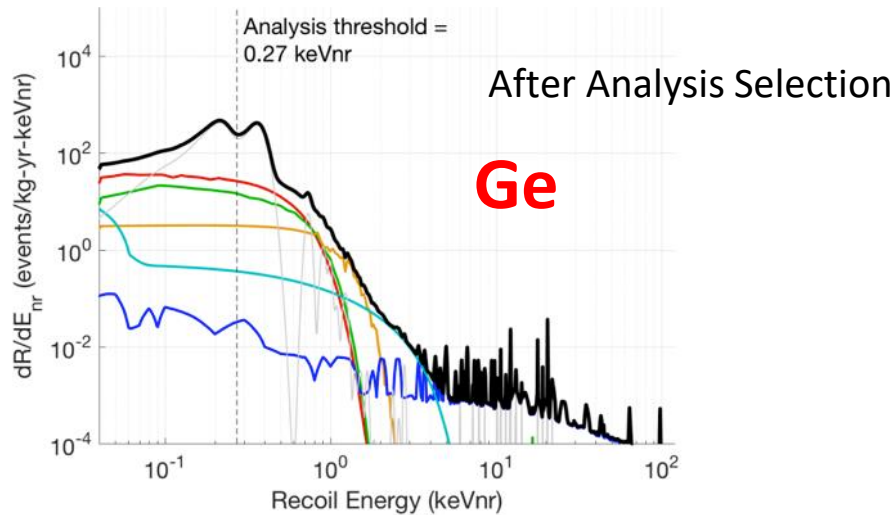
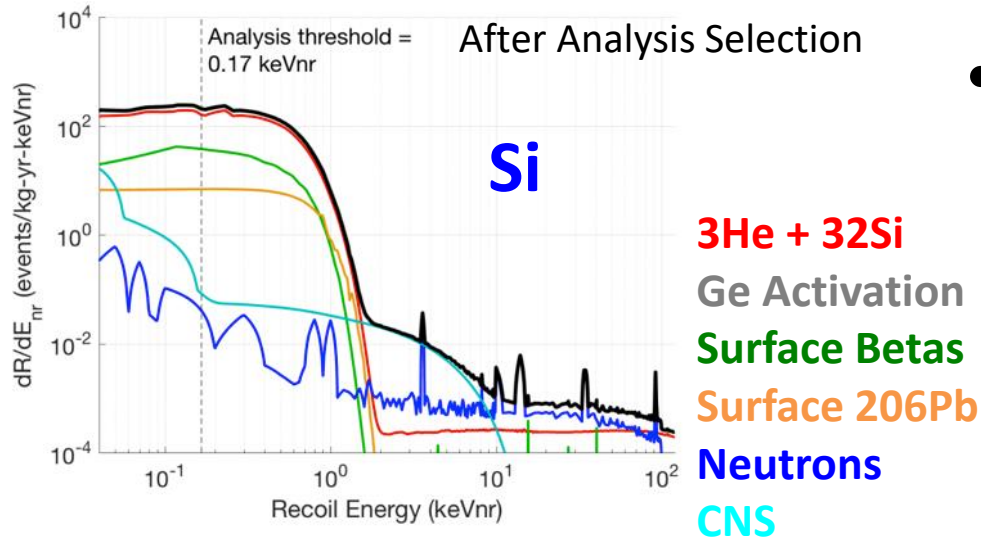


- ^{32}Si and ^3H limiting backgrounds
 - β -decay in detector bulk
 - ^3H produced cosmogenically in Ge and Si, builds up over time ($T_{1/2} = 12.3$ years)
 - ^{32}Si produced cosmogenically from argon in atmosphere, seeps into natural Si and ends up in crystals



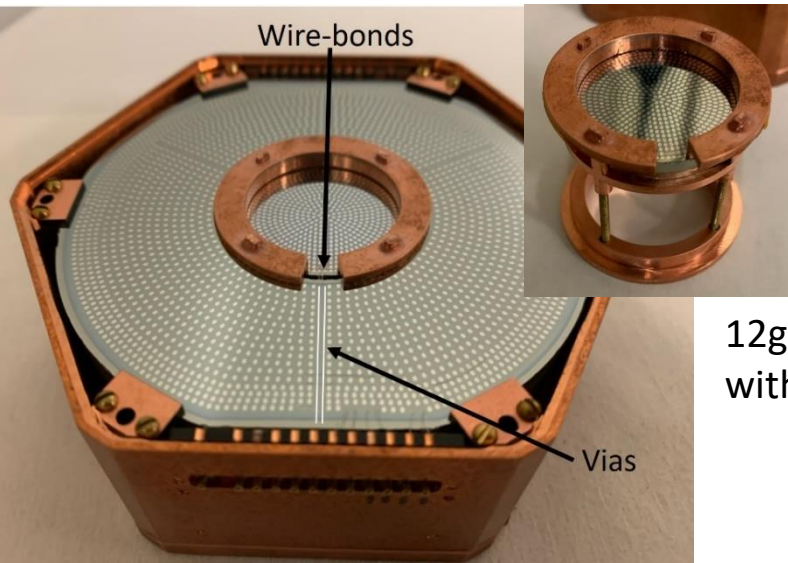
- Some control by limiting surface exposure of components and detectors

Expected Backgrounds in iZIP Detectors

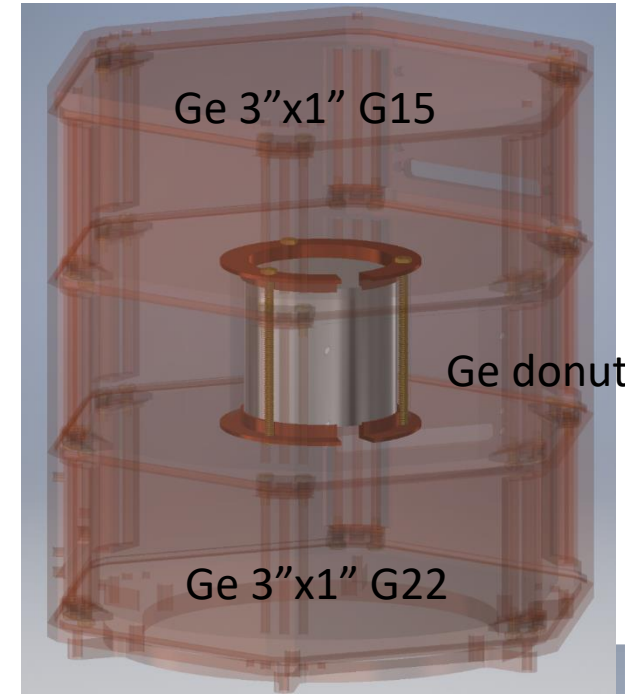


- Other backgrounds controlled to be $< {}^3\text{H}$ and ${}^{32}\text{Si}$ levels by:
 - 6000 m.w.e
 - Better screening of materials
 - Shielding design improvements
 - Better Radon mitigation (both in lab and during fabrication)

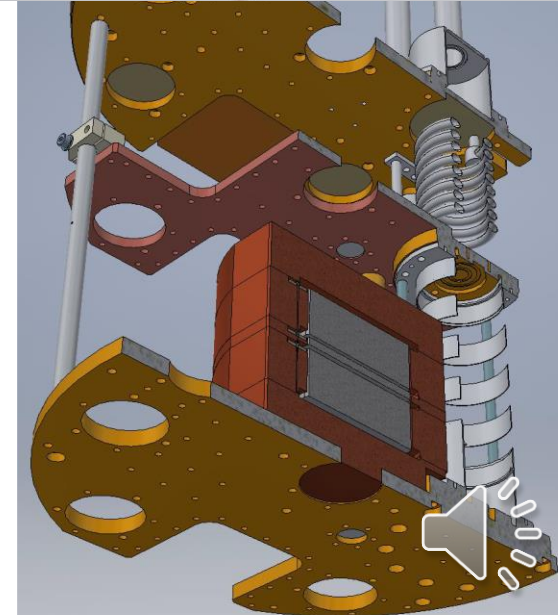
Low-Threshold Ge Detector inside Fully Hermetic Ge Shielding



12gm Ge coin. Next runs with ~30-75 gm Ge coins

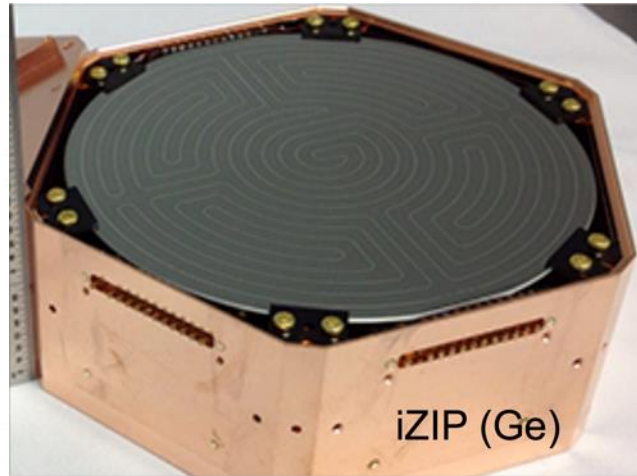
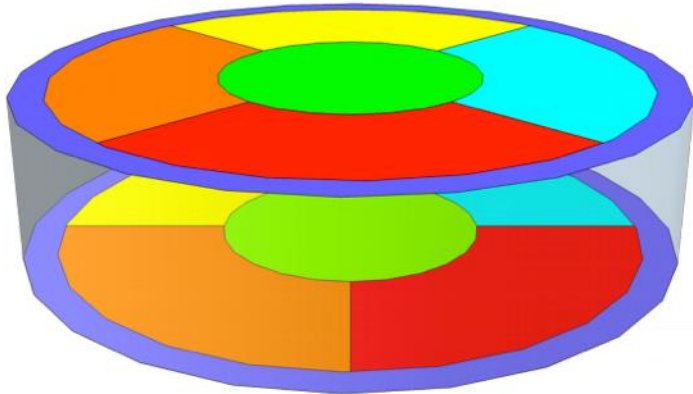


650 gm upper and lower detectors along with the donut veto (1" thick annulus) provide excellent hermetic active shielding/veto



Detector Improvements

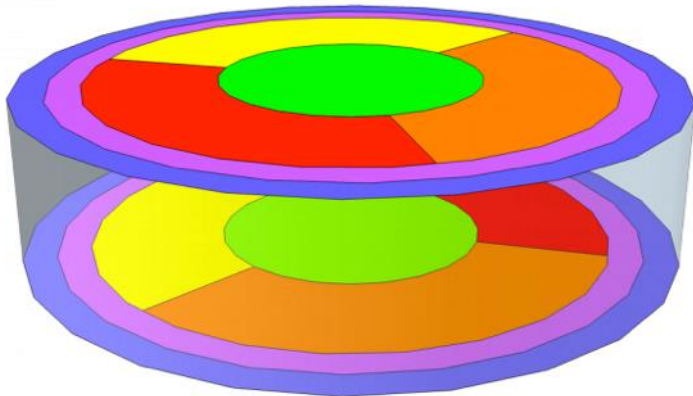
iZIP detector



10 Ge, 2 Si
iZIP detectors

- Full background discrimination down to $\sim 1\text{keV}$

HV detector

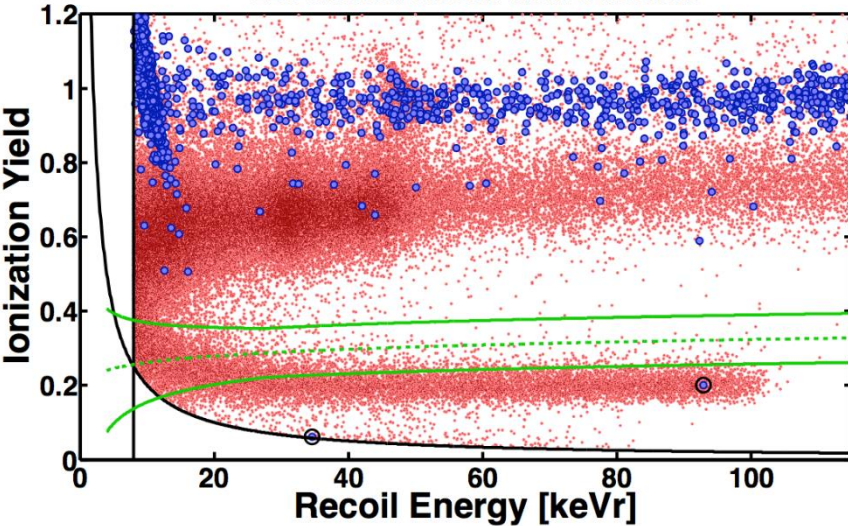


8 Ge, 4 Si HV
detectors

- Better resolution (5 eV in Ge, 10 eV in Si), lower threshold

SuperCDMS-Soudan iZIP Performance

- Failing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Passing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Low Yield Outliers
- $\pm 2\sigma$ Nuclear Recoil Yield Selection



- ▶ ^{210}Pb sources installed for SuperCDMS-Soudan
 - Limiting background for CDMS-II
- ▶ Surface event leakage fraction $< 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$ (90% C.L.)

- ^{210}Pb
- iZIP 1
- iZIP 2
- iZIP 3
- ^{210}Pb

The traditional yield-based discrimination, combined with the new iZIP surface event identification results in excellent fiducial volume definitions and dark matter sensitivity.

- Failing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Passing Charge Symmetry Selection
- Neutrons from Cf-252 Calibration Source
- Low Yield Outliers

