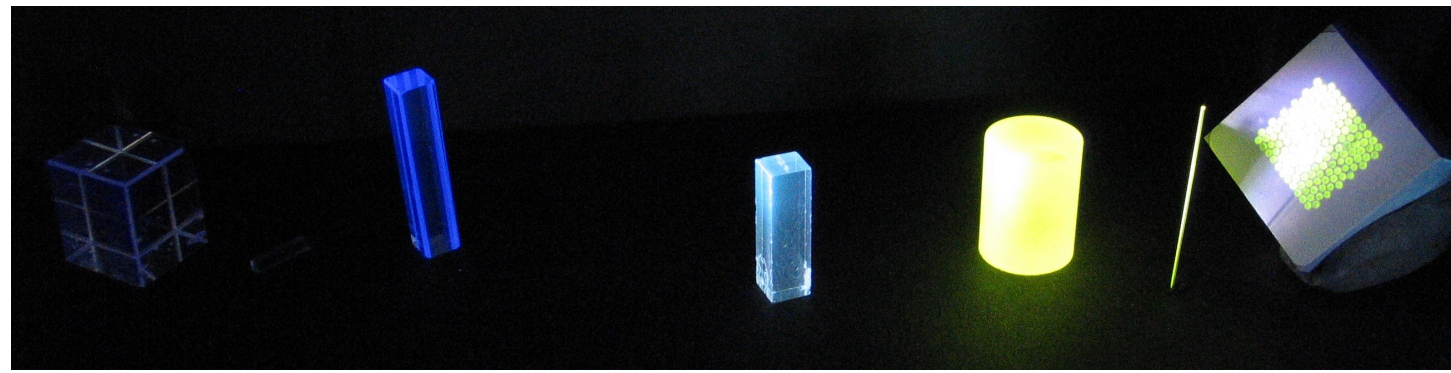


RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF SCINTILLATORS

E. Auffray, CERN, EP-CMX

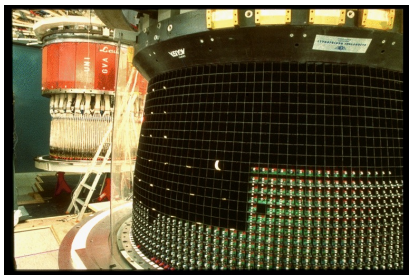


ECFA DRD TF6 calorimetry

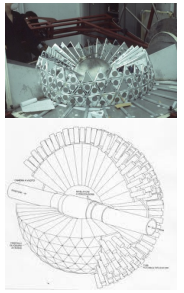


120 years of inorganic scintillators

10752 BGO: L3 calorimeter @LEP 1989



642 NaI (TI): Crystal Ball @SLAC, 1979

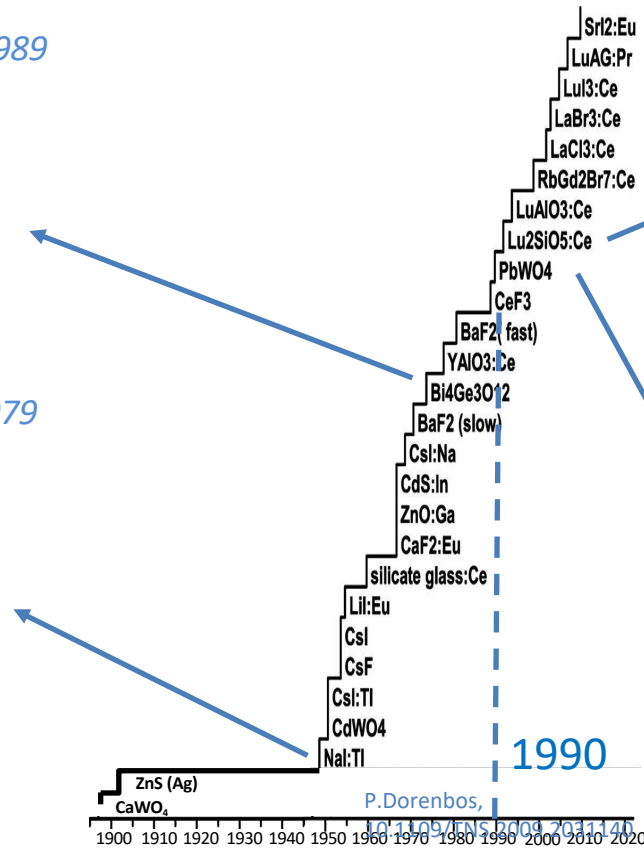
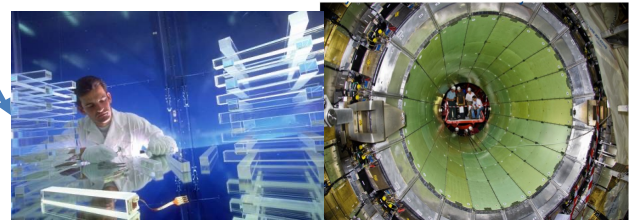


1995:LSO: new generation of PET
2026: CMS Barrel timing layer



232000 pixels ~ 3x3x57mm³

75848 PWO: CMS calorimeter @LHC 2008



1990

P. Dorenbos,

1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2020



The Scintillator community

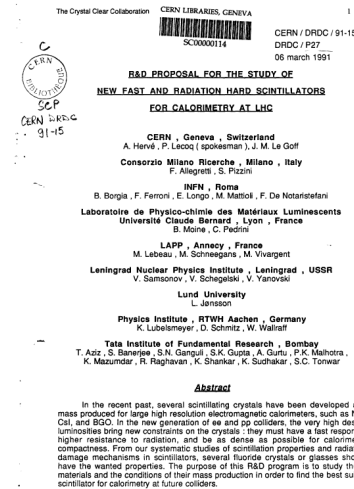


Since more than 30 years a scintillator community exists:

- In 1990 DRDC @ CERN for R&D for future LHC detectors:
 - ⇒ Proposal for develop scintillating materials suitable for use at the future LHC collider, initiated @CERN in 1990 by P. Lecoq, approved in April 1991 by DRDC: RD18
 - ⇒ **Crystal Clear Collaboration**
- In 1992: First conference on inorganic scintillators and their application in Chamonix Crystal 2000
 - ⇒ **SCINT community**

Today

Crystal Clear (CERN K1500-TT-PH-004C_CCC): 31 institutes over the world
 SCINT conferences every 2 years (<http://scint.univ-lyon1.fr/>):
 Last one in Santa Fe in Sept2022, next one in Milano: June 30-July 5 2024





Current R&D on scintillators

R&D on all type of scintillators for many applications:

- organic and inorganic

Improve timing performance:

- Better understanding of the scintillation processes
- Engineering of existing materials (mixed materials, co-doping)
- Looking for faster light emission

Improve radiation hardness:

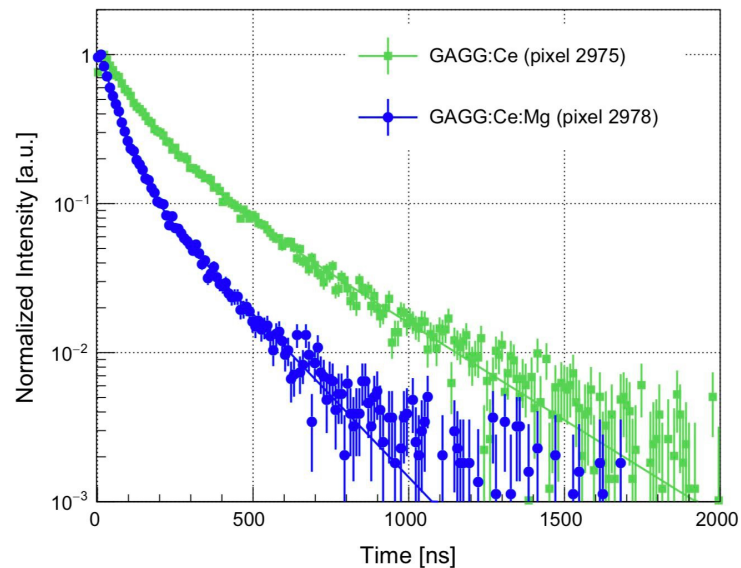
- Understanding of radiation damage mechanisms through tests using different radiation sources (gammas, hadrons, neutrons)
- Scintillator engineering (mixed materials, co-doping):

New production methods

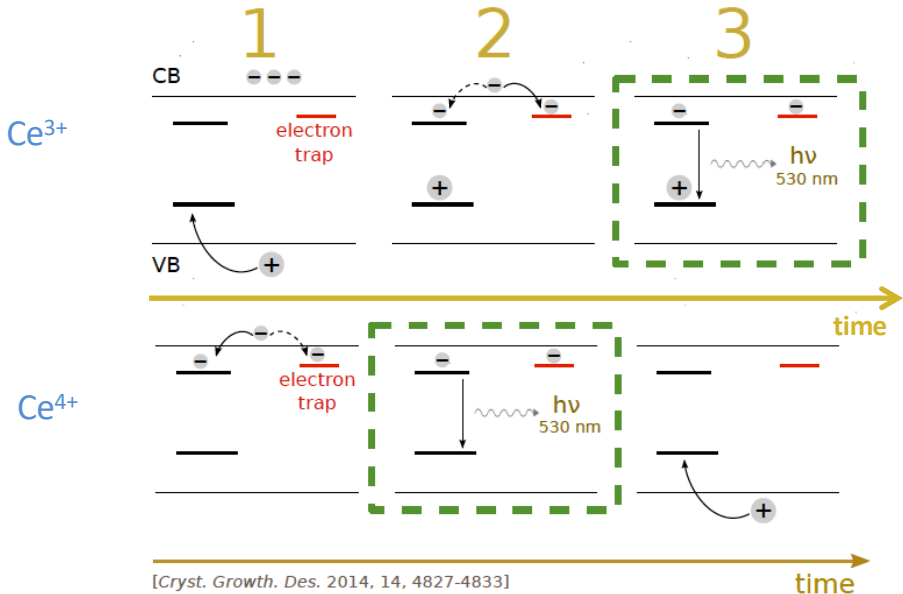
- Crystal fibres
- 3D printing
- Nanomaterial

Combination of various materials

Engineering scintillator example of co-doping Ce, Mg in garnet



Faster decay time with codoping Ce^{3+}/Mg^{2+}



Mg²⁺ increase Ce^{4+} centers which can directly compete with any electron trap for electron capture in the first instants of scintillator mechanism => Expected faster decay time and lower slow component

M. T. Lucchini et al., NIM A, 816 (2016) 176

M. Nikl, A. Yoshikawa, Adv. Optical Mater. 2015, 3, 463–481
M. Nikl et al. Cryst. Growth Des. 2014, 14, 4827.

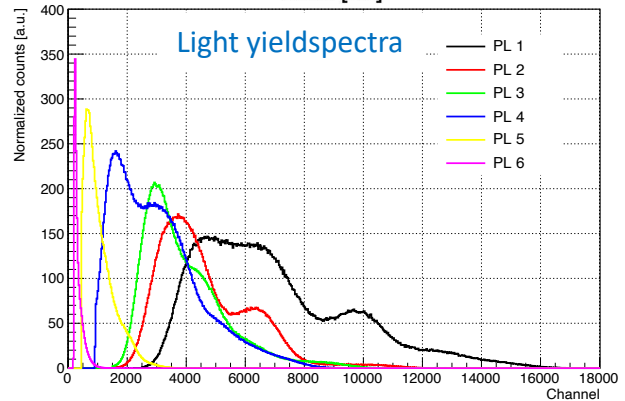
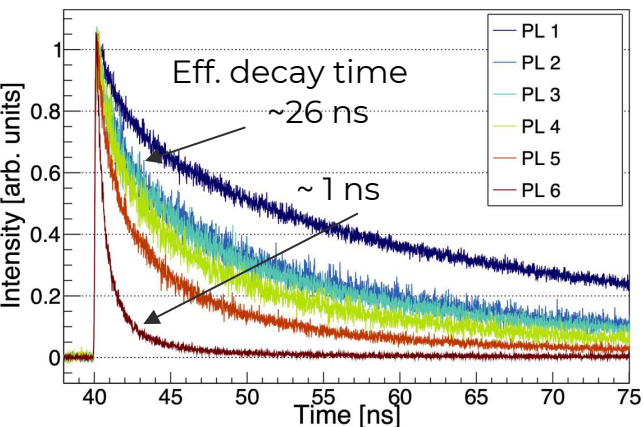


Further acceleration of the emission

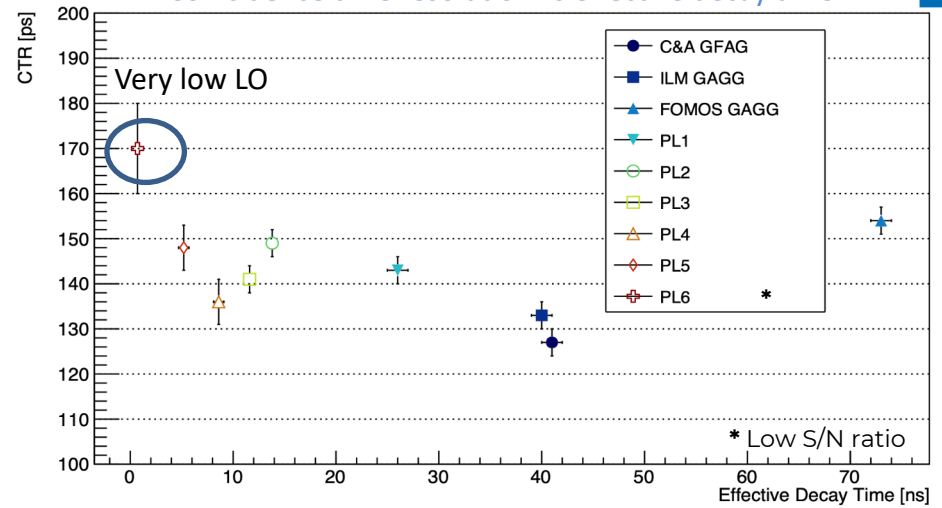
Heavy co-doping Ce^{3+}/Mg^{2+}



Scintillation decay - Pulsed X-Rays



Coincidence time resolution vs effective decay time



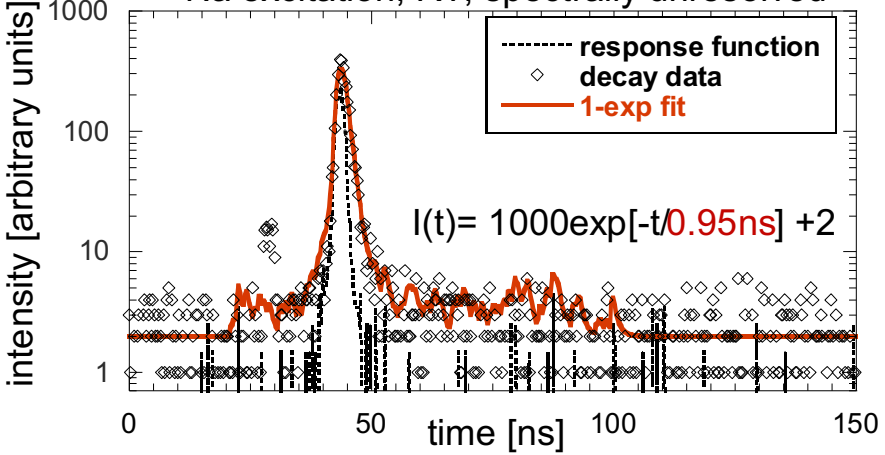
No major loss of time resolution!
Decay time decrease compensated the Light output reduction
=> the same photon time-density

Candidate for LHCb phase II, see talk Philipp today

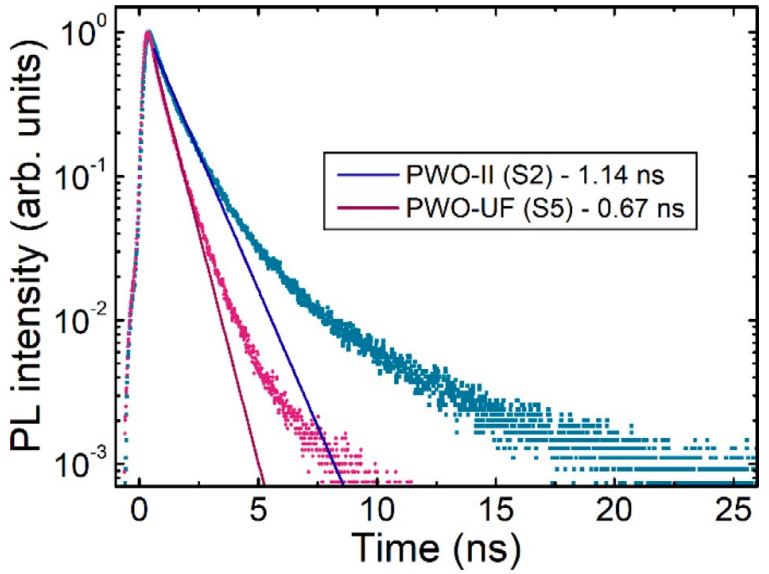
L. Martinazzoli et al., Mater. Adv., 2022, 3, 6842

Many developments on PWO to decrease decay time toward sub ns domain with heavy doping:

Scintillation decay of PWO:Gd (1% in melt)
²²Na excitation, RT, spectrally unresolved



Photoluminescence decay time @425nm



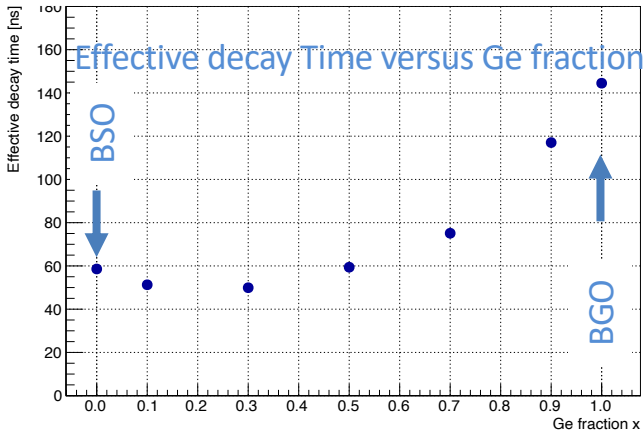
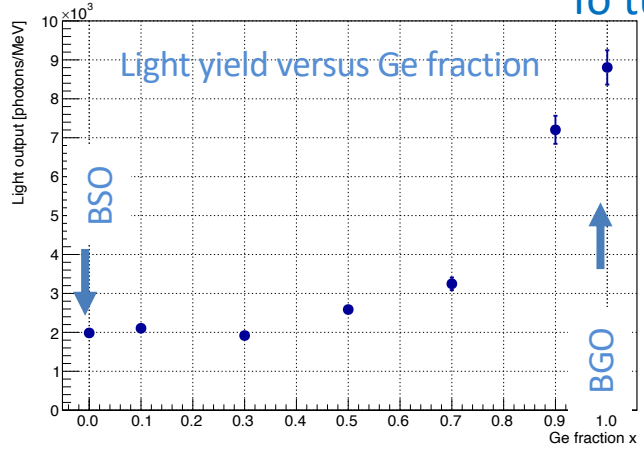
M. Nikl et al, J.Cryst. Growth **229**, 312-315 (2001)
M. Nikl, et al, Radiation Measurements **33**, 705-708 (2001)
M. Kobayashi, et al: Nucl. Instr. Meth. in Phys. Res. A **459**, 482-493 (2001)

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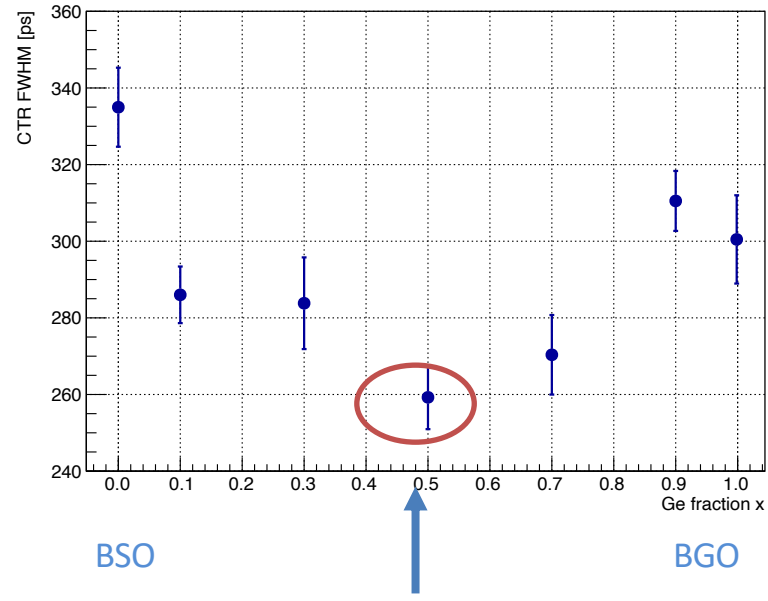
Mixed Material: BGO-BSO ($\text{Bi}_4(\text{Ge}_x\text{Si}_{1-x})_3\text{O}_{12}$)



To tune the material properties



Coincidence time resolution @511Kev versus Ge fraction



Optimal Ge fraction for time resolution



Exploiting Cerenkov Emission

3 types of materials:

- **Pure Cerenkov** as PbF_2 , undoped heavy materials (eg LuAG):

“A Cerenkov EM-calorimeter for CMS, using PbF_2 crystals” proposed by J. L. Faure, 1992
Currently under study for Klever/Crylin calorimeter

- **Cerenkov+semiconductor** as TlBr, TlCl

- **Cerenkov + Scintillation:**

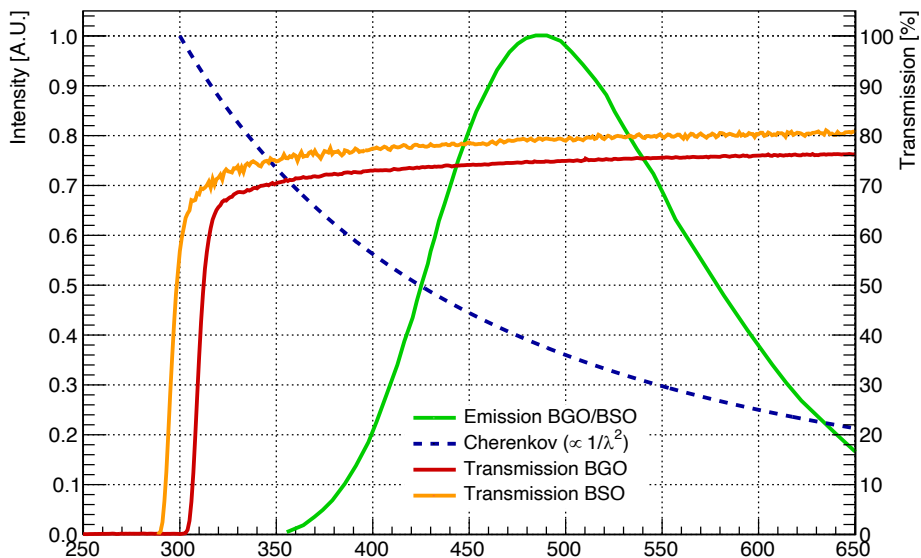
- heavy scintillator: eg PWO, BGO, BSO, LuAG:Ce, Pr
- Light scintillator: Silica doped materials

=> dual readout with same material by separation emission wavelength or pulse shape

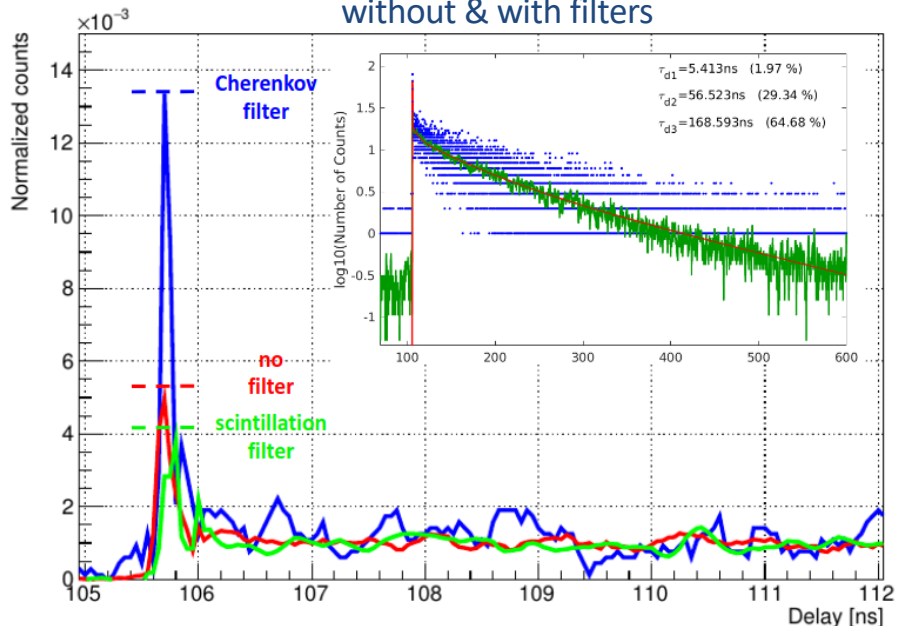
See talks Marco, Romualdo today

Exploitation of Cerenkov/scintillation in intrinsic scintillating crystals

BGO and BSO



Decay time spectra of BSO under 511 keV excitation
without & with filters



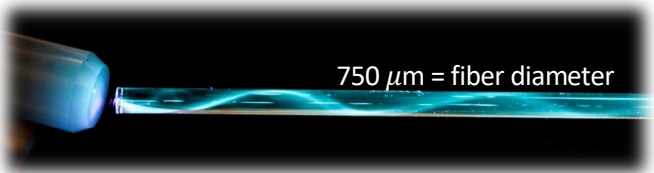
- ⇒ Possibility to separate Cerenkov from scintillation with filters and/or pulse discrimination
- BSO (or mixed BGSO) is faster than BGO and has higher LY than PWO
- ⇒ Promising candidate for dual readout homogenous calorimeter



Exploitation of Cerenkov/scintillation in Silica doped fibers

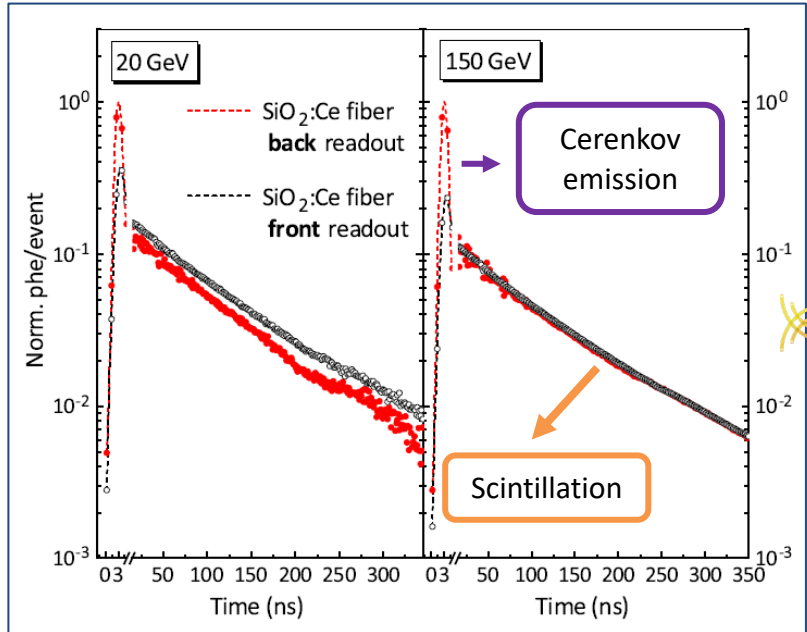
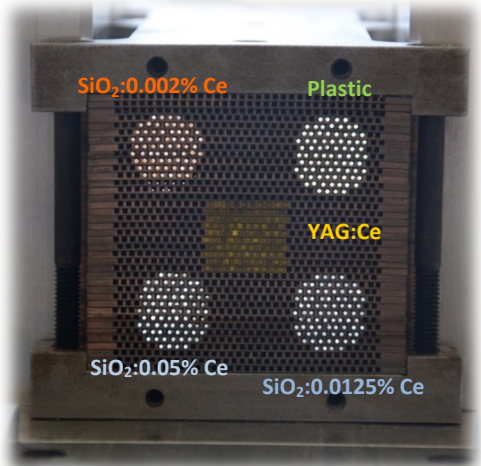


SiO₂:Ce fibers Milano/Polymicro



Dual read-out of Cerenkov and scintillation light simultaneously with the same SiO₂:Ce fiber

Test with 20GeV in CERN SPS



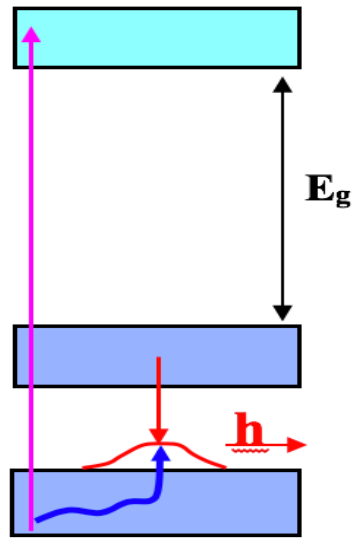
F. Cova et al., Phys. Rev. Appl. 11 (2), 024036 (2019)



Crossluminescence Materials

Many possible materials:

Radiative transition between the core- and valence bands.



Very fast emission < 2ns
but generally emission < 300nm

BaF₂ →

Compilation of CL data at 293 K

C.W.E. Van Eijk Journal of Luminescence60, 1994, 936-841

	$E(C - V)$ (eV)	$E(G)$ (eV)	Theoretical	Observed (eV)	λ (nm)	Light yield (photons/MeV)	τ (ns)	Density (g/cm ³)	References
KF	7.5-10.5	10.7	+	7.5-8.5	156	--		2.5	[13, 18]
KCl	10-13	8.4	-						
KBr	10-13	7.4	-						
KI	9.5-14	6.0	-	STE					
RbF	0-7.5	10.3	+	3-6	203, 234	1700	1.3	3.6	[11-14, 18]
RbCl	4-9	8.2	+	5.5-7.5	190	1		2.8	[12]
RbBr	6.7-9.5	7.4	/						
RbI	5-10	6.1	/	STE					
CsF	0-4.5	9.9	+	2.5-4	390	2000	2.9	4.1	[6, 11, 14]
CsCl	1-5	8.3	+	4-5.5	240, 270	900	0.9	4.0	[6, 14, 15, 17, 18]
CsBr	4-6	7.3	+	4.5-6.5	250	20	0.07	4.4	[6, 14, 15, 18]
CsI	0-7	6.2	/	-/STE					
CaF ₂	12.5-17.3	12.6	-	-/STE					[1]
SrF ₂	8.4-12.8	11.1	/	-/STE					[1]
BaF ₂	4.4-7.8	10.5	+	5-7	195, 220	1400	0.8	4.9	[1, 3, 4, 9]
K ₂ Rb _{1-x} F				5-6/8					[13, 18]
KMgF ₃				6-9	140-190	1400	1.3	3.2	[7-10]
KCaF ₃				6-9	140-190	1400	<2	3.0	[10]
KYF ₄					170	1000	1.9	3.6	[9, 16]
K ₂ YF ₃				5.5-8.5	170	300	1.3	3.1	[8, 9]
KLuF ₄				5.5-8.5	170-200	~200	1.3	5.2	[8, 9, 16]
KLu ₂ F ₇				5.5-8.5	165	~200	<2	7.5	[8]
K ₂ SiF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]
CsCaCl ₃					250, 305	1400	~1	2.9	[10, 17, 19]
CsSrCl ₃					260, 300		~1		[19, 21]
LiBaF ₃					190, 230	1400	0.8	5.2	[10]
BaMgF ₄					190, 220	1000		4.5	[21]
BaY ₂ F ₈				4-7.5			0.9	5.0	[20]
K ₂ LiGaF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]
K ₂ NaAlF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]

BaF₂ was proposed in 90's for ECAL for L* @SSC and L3P @LHC

L* Collaboration, Letter of Intent to the SSC Laboratory: <https://lss.fnal.gov/archive/other/ssc/sscl-sr-1154.pdf>; R. Zhu, NIMA A 340 (1994) 442-457

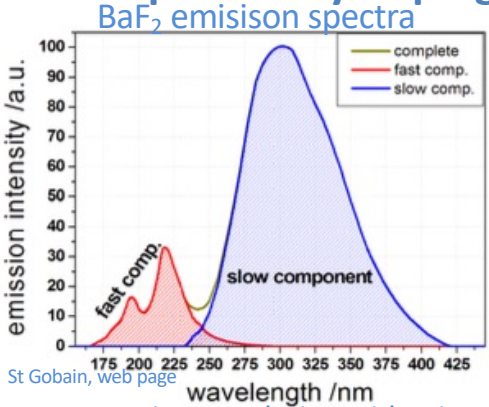


Crossluminescence Recent Developments

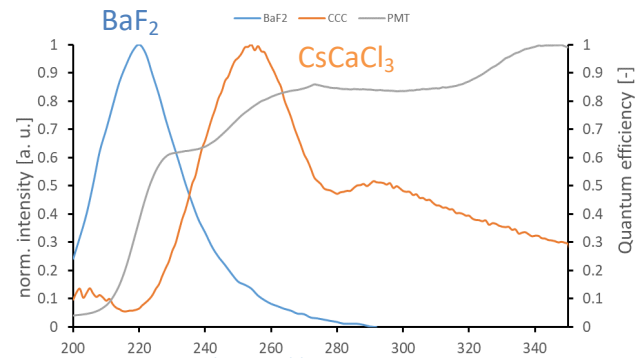


R&D to suppress the slow component by doping

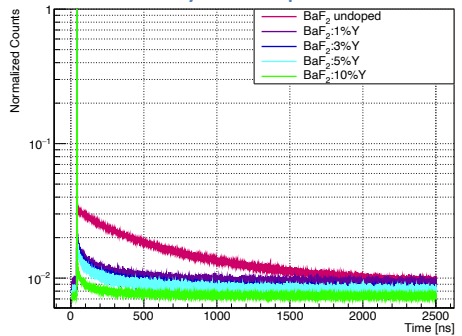
- ⇒ No change in short decay
- ⇒ No impact on time resolution



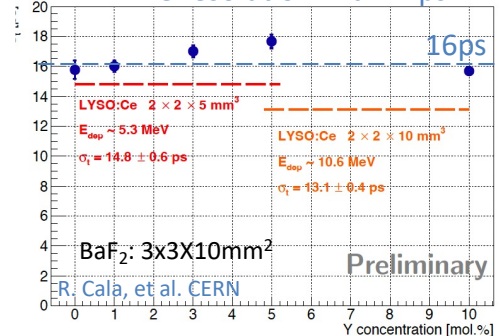
R&D to shift the emission in UV Visible



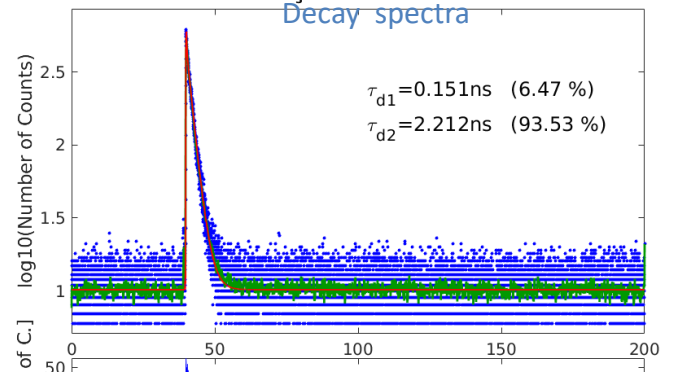
Decay time spectra



Time resolution with mipS



Decay spectra



J. Chen, et al., IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 65, no. 8, pp. 2147-2151, 2018.

R. Cala et al, SCINT2022 conference SantaFe Sept2022

V. Vanecek et al., Optical Materials X 12 (2021) 100103

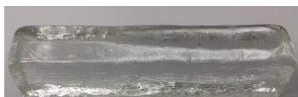
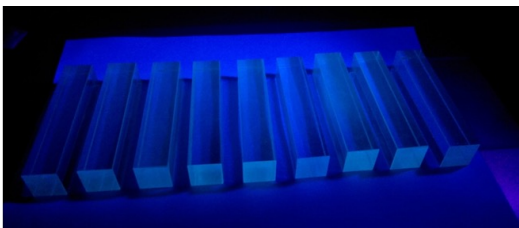


Development on Scintillating Glasses



- Scintillating glasses were considered in the 90's for LHC but were not sufficiently radiation tolerant*
 - *See for instance E. Auffray *et al*, *NIM A* **380** (1996) 524-536; P R Hobson *et al* *Journal of Non-Crystalline Solids* 213-214 (1997) 147-151, S F Shaukat *et al* *Journal of Non-Crystalline Solids* 244 (1999) 197-204, CMS note)
- Since some years new developments on glasses within different projects (eg ATTRACT project, EIC R&D)
 - Oxide and Fluoro glasses
 - Attempt to increase the density and the radiation hardness
 - Progress in production scale

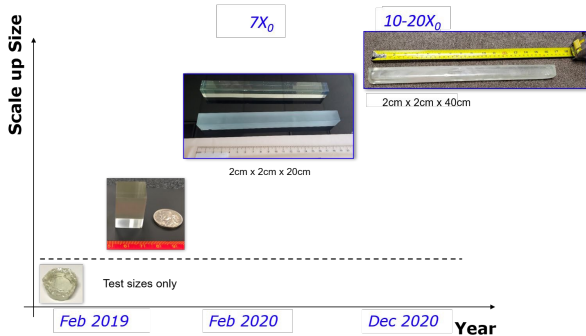
Exemple DSB Glasses



Industrial development via ScintiGlass: Attract project with Preciosa Company

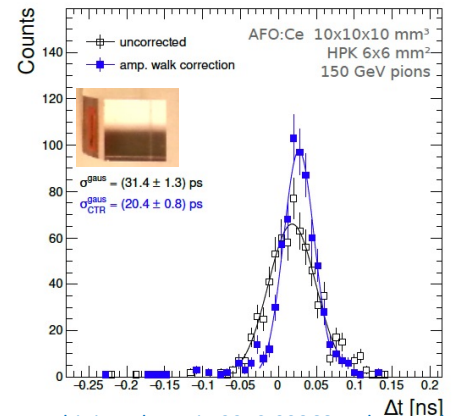


EIC R&D: eRD105 (SciGlass)



From T. Horn, CERN EP R&D, Nov21

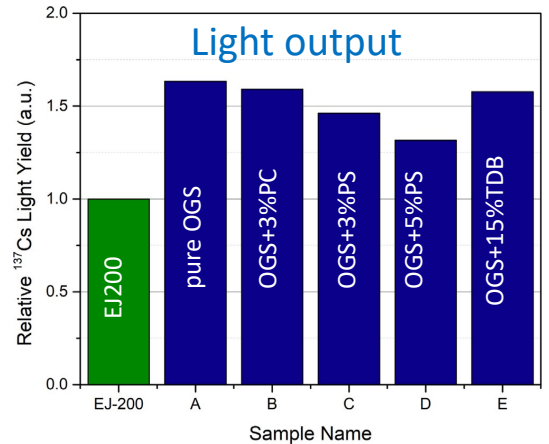
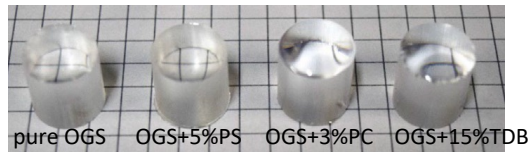
Fluorophosphate AFO glasses Timing resolution with mip



M. Lucchini et al., arXiv:2212.03368, submitted to NIMA

R&D for Organic Scintillators

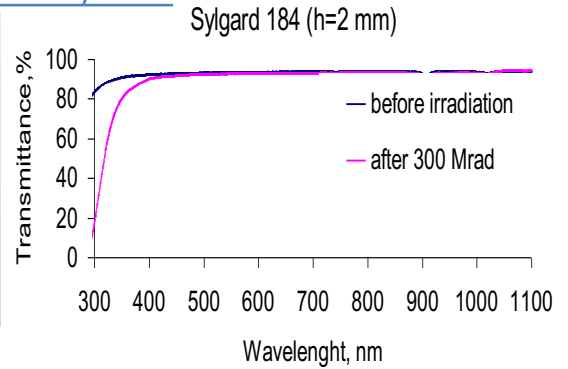
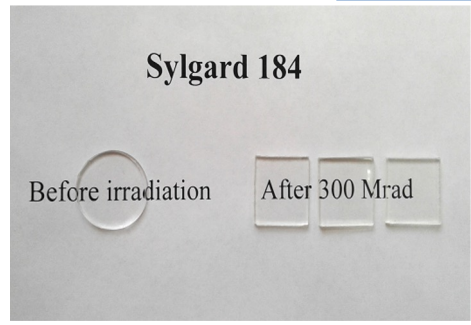
Organic glasses developed in Sendai National lab



From L. Q Nguyen et al., NIMA 1036 (2022) 166835

Polysiloxane materials

Irradiation with electrons ($E_0 = 8.3$ MeV) up to 300 MRad dose
ISMA (Kharkiv) tests



Courtesy A Boyarintsev, ISMA, Kharkiv

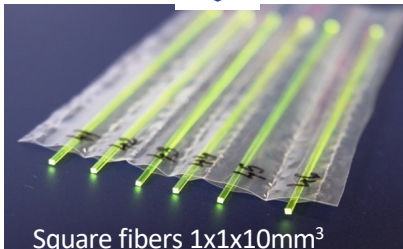
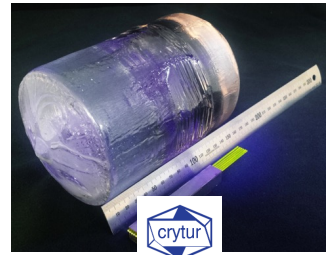
See also A. Boyarintsev NIMA 930, 2019, 180–184

A. Quaranta et al. NIM B, 268, Issue 19, 2010, Pages 3155-3159

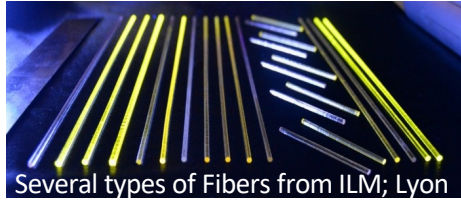
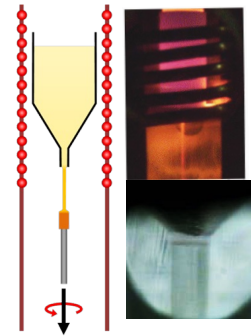
New Production Methods

Crystal fibre production

Czochralski method
Fibres cut from large ingot



Micropulling down technique



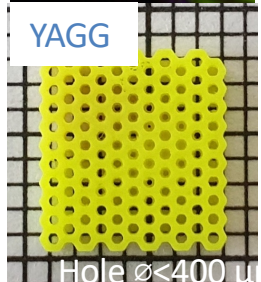
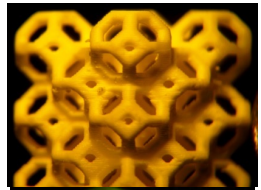
Several types of Fibers from ILM; Lyon



⇒ Feasibility study of crystal fibres production in the ANR project INFHINI and Intelum project (European Rise grant 644260) with 16 Partners (many from CCC) from 12 different countries: 11 academia and 5 companies

3D printing of Scintillators

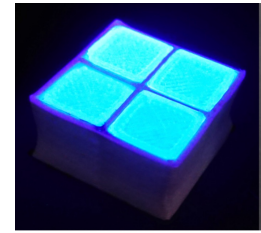
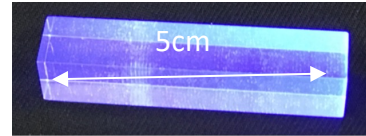
crystals



Courtesy of G. Dossovitky, Kurchatov Institute

Plastic scintillator

3D Det project

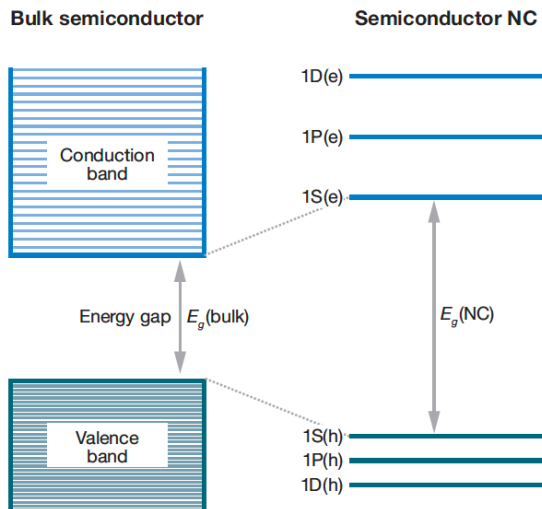


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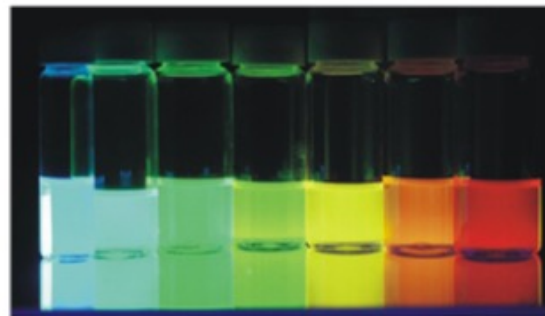


From Bulk to Nanomaterial: Quantum Confinement

Same crystal lattice but nanometer-sized crystal particle



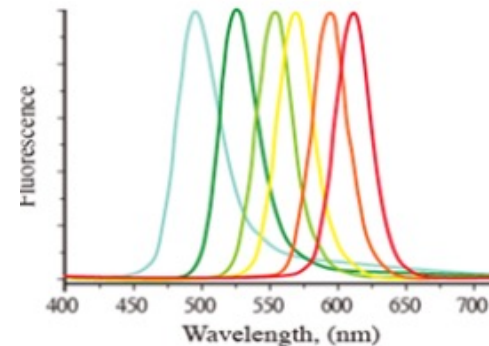
V. Klimov *Annu Rev. Phys. Chem.* 58 (2007) 535-573



2.3 \longrightarrow 5.5

Size (nanometers)

Simultaneous excitation at 365 nm

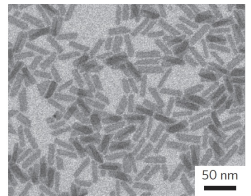
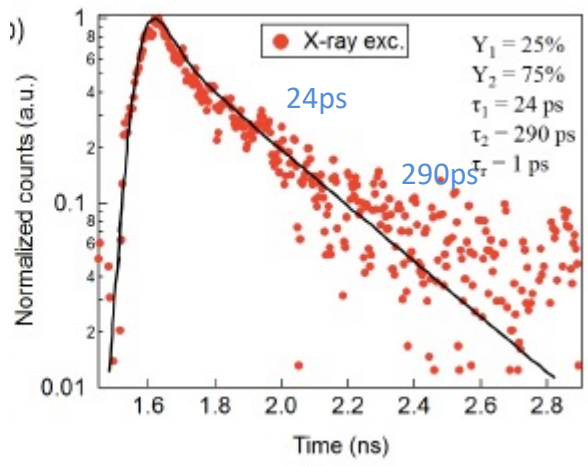


from Benoit Dubertret and Hideki Ooba

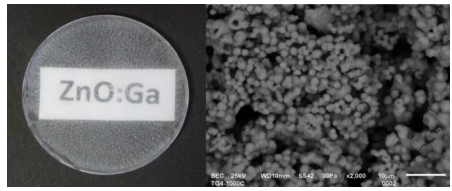
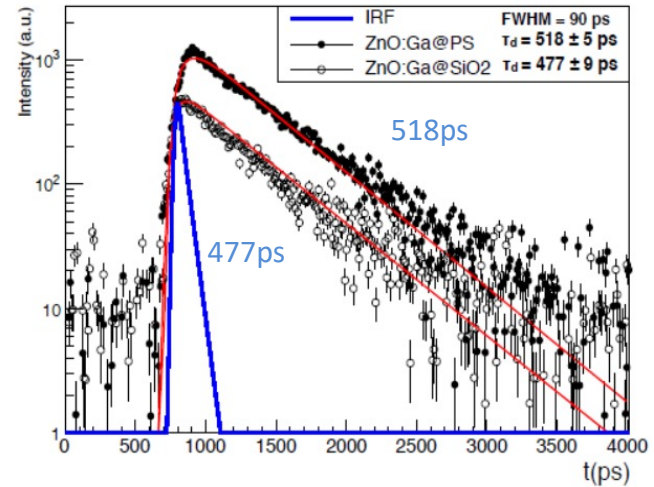
With decreasing crystal size
From “continous band” to quantized
energy levels

Some Examples with sub ns Emission

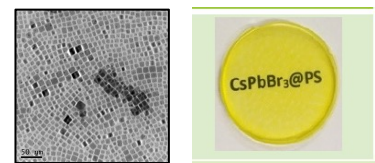
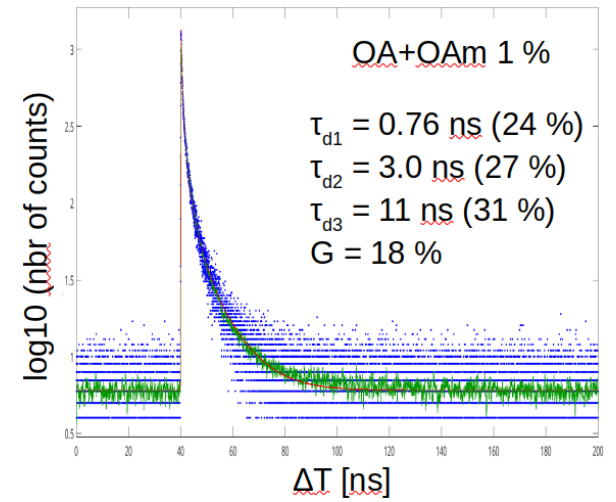
CdSe nanoplatelet,



ZnO:Ga embedded in SiO₂ or polystyrene



CsPbBr₃ embedded in polystyrene



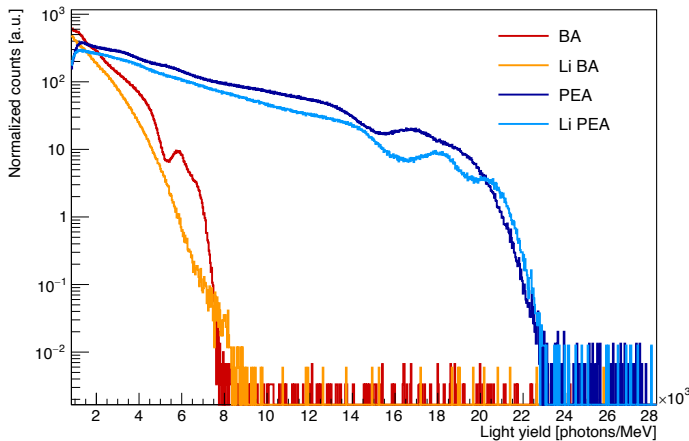
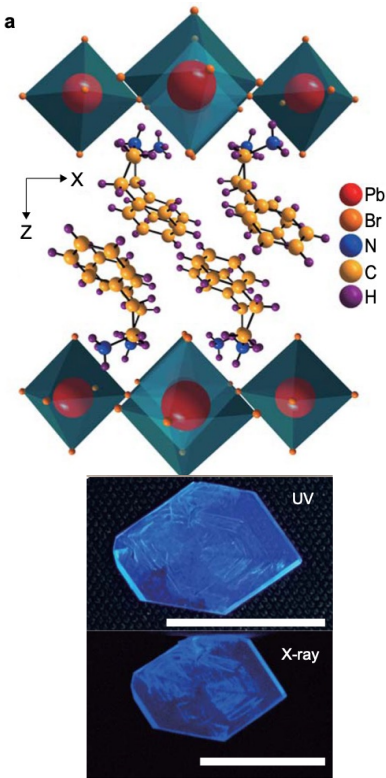
J. Grim et al., *Nature Nanotechnology*, 9,2014, 891–895
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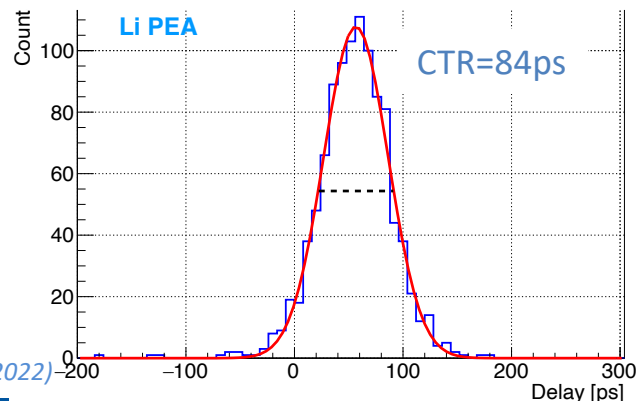
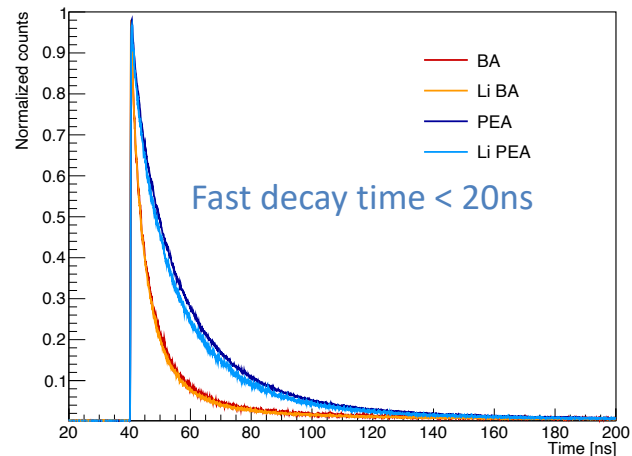
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Two-dimensional Hybrid Perovskites

An organic-inorganic hybrid structure.



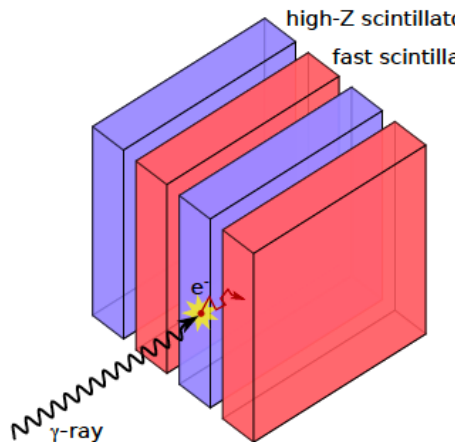
Relatively high light output
20000ph/MeV for PEA type



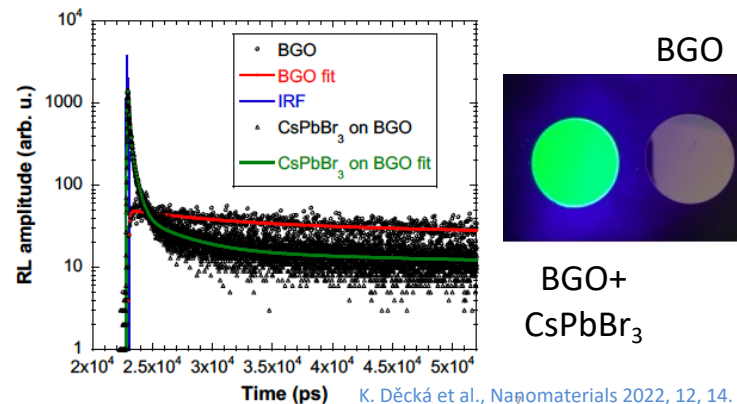
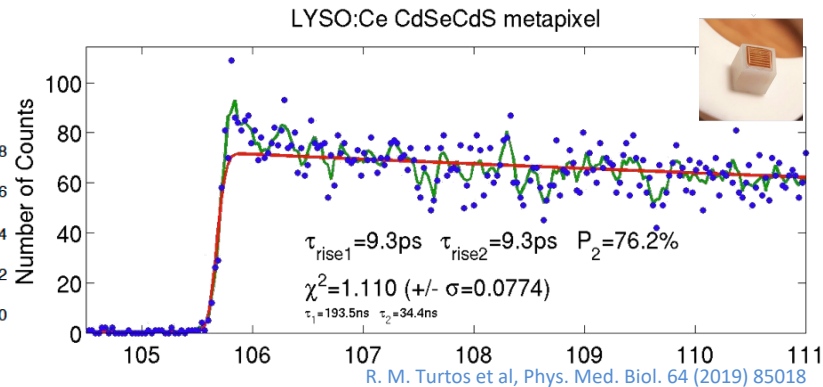
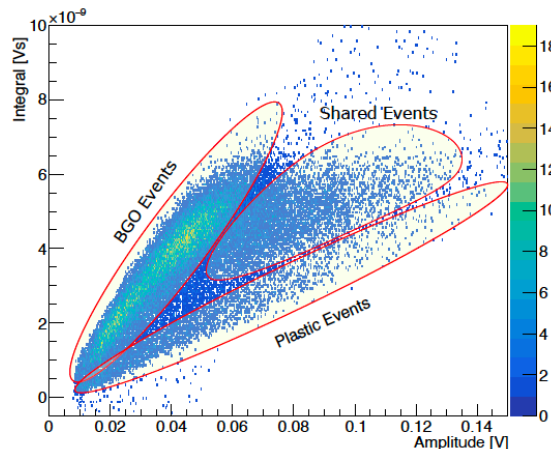
Heterostructure Concept



Combine scintillators with high light yield, high stopping power with prompt emission material



=> Energy sharing between bulk and fast emitter



Concept proposed in the frame of ERC TICAL (GA 338953 PI: P.Lecoq)
 R. M. Turtos et al, Phys. Med. Biol. 64 (2019) 85018
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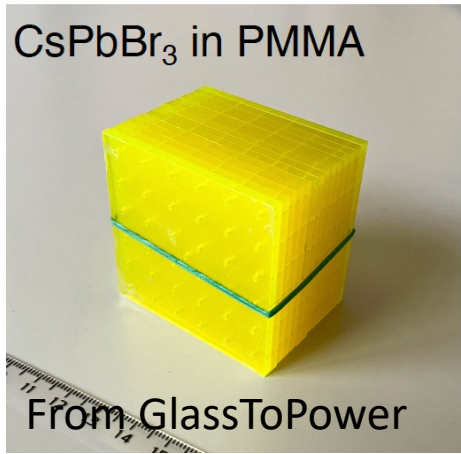


First Attempt to use Nanomaterial in HEP Nanocal Bluesky Aidainnova project



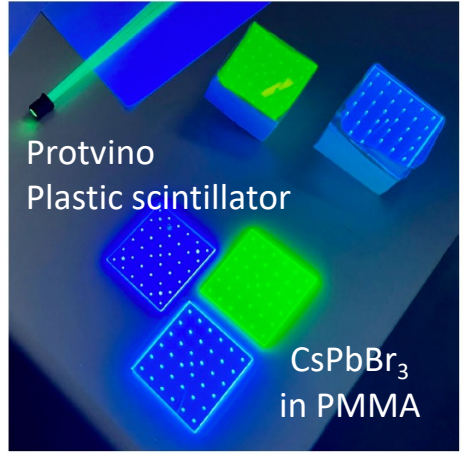
GLASS to POWER

Build a Shashlik module with CsPbBr₃ nanomaterial embedded in PMMA



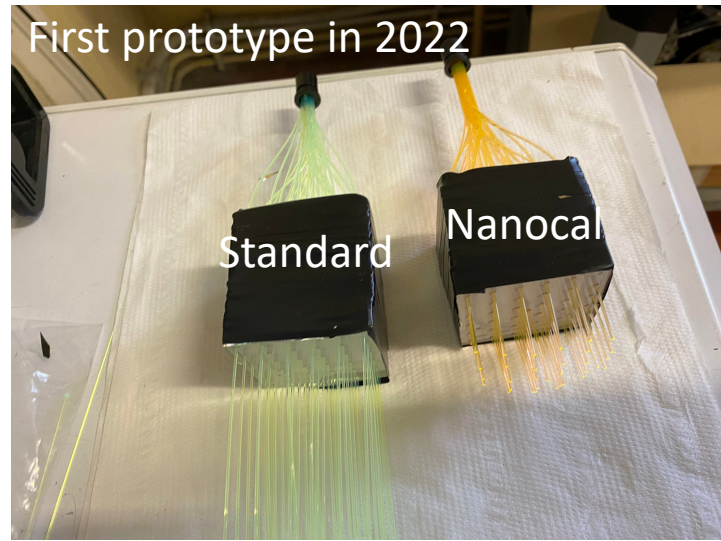
CsPbBr₃ in PMMA

From GlassToPower



Protvino
Plastic scintillator

CsPbBr₃
in PMMA



First prototype in 2022

Standard

Nanocal

- Protvino scintillator
- Polystyrene
- 1.5% PTP/0.04% POPOP
- Kuraray Y-11(200) fibers

- NanoCal scintillator
- PMMA
- 0.2% CsPbBr₃
- Kuraray O-2(100) fibers

From M. Moulson Aidainnova WP13 20.12.2022

First test beam performed in October 2022 in H2

See EP newsletter Nov 22
M. Moulson presentation Aidainnova WP13 20.12.2022



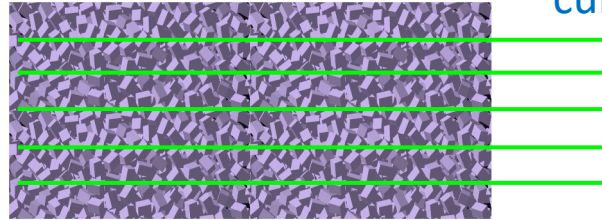
Grainita Project

Inspired by LiquidO technique for neutrino detector
(A. Cabrera et al. LiquidO Commun Phys 4, 273 (2021))

Concept: dispersed sub-millimetric grains heavy material
($ZnWO_4$) in dense liquid CH_2I_2 readout with wavelength shifter

$ZnWO_4$ (From ISMA Ukraine):

- LY= 10kph/MeV
- Density 7.62
- Index $n=2.1$
- $\tau = 20 \mu s$
- $\lambda_{max} = 480 \text{ nm}$
- grain size : 0.5 mm - 1 mm



GEANT4 simulation for $ZnWO_4 + CH_2I_2$
cubes (random position) 1mm cubes:

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \sim \frac{2\%}{\sqrt{E}}$$

Current Status

- Proof of principle demonstrated with a small test bench
 - (average light path in $ZnWO_4 + \text{propanol} \sim 17 \text{ cm}$)
- Tests of various WLS fibers from Kuraray on-going
- 16-channels prototype ($\sim 200 \text{ g } ZnWO_4$) under design
- Cosmic rays test bench under design

Courtesy M.H. Schune, IJCLab, Orsay, France
on Behalf of Grainita project, see more:

<https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/27968/timetable/#20221121.detailed>



R&D over the next 5 years and beyond

For future developments of “optical calorimeters”, R&D on scintillator materials is a key item

Several axes of research required depending:

1) on the type of colliders

High radiation levels/medium/low radiation levels:

2) homogenous/sampling calorimeters

Dense or light material



R&D over the next 5 years and beyond

R&D on scintillators

- Fast and radiation hard crystals:
 - Engineering of existing materials => Eg. GAGG (LHCb), PWO highly codoped (Crylin, Klever)
 - New composition mixed materials Eg BGO, BGSO, PWO, doped quartz fibers and glasses (IDEA; Calvision)
 - Cerenkov/scintillation simultaneous readout =>
 - Better exploitation of prompt emission
 - Cerenkov, cross-luminescence => Eg. BGO, BGSO, PWO, PbF₂, BaF₂,.. (timing layers)
 - => Requires **fast UV Photo detectors**, UV optical glue, **fast electronics**
 - => Synergy with other DRDs (photodetectors, electronics)
 - Glasses, organic material (lower cost materials)
 - Innovative materials: nanomaterials, heterostructures materials
- => R&D on materials required in parallel
- Development of new characterization and modelisation methods
 - Development of low cost production: work on crucibles, micro-pulling down, 3D printing, etc...
 - Exploit synergy with other fields
 - Exploitation of photonic, plasmonic for the enhancement of light extraction, light transport, etc...
 - Exploit synergy with other applications

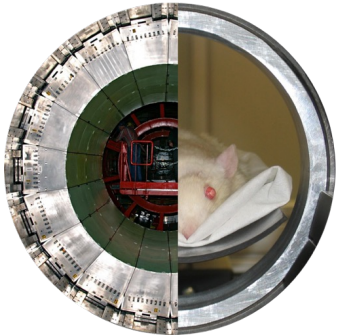
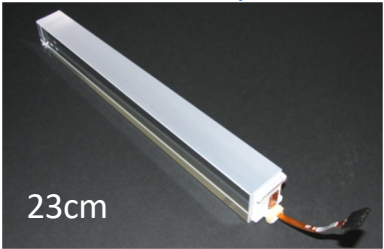


Importance of synergy with other applications

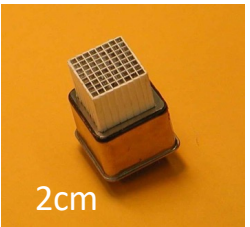
Case of medical applications: PET



ECAL in CMS experiment



PET scanner



ClearPET module

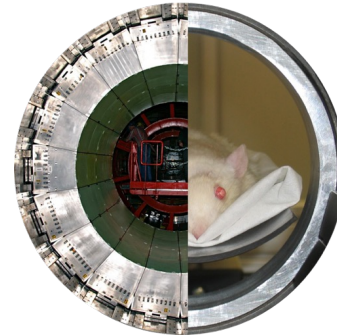
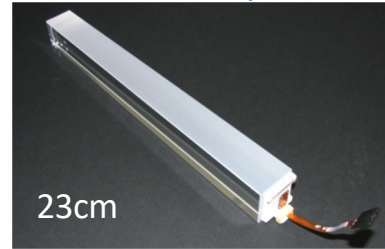




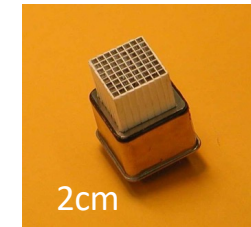
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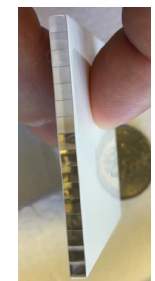
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Example of cross fertilization between HEP to Health:



LYSO CMS BTL

ClearPEM:
Used APD developed for CMS ECAL

HEP Health

Future CMS barrel timing layer: LYSO/SiPM
and electronic developed first for EndoTOFPET





Conclusion



- Many new emerging technologies and developments exist in the field of scintillators, which open new perspectives for new innovative scintillating detector concepts both for optical homogenous and sampling calorimeters with high granularity & high time resolution
- Scintillator community is very active and already organized through the Crystal Clear Collaboration and the SCINT community
 - provides access to a huge expertise developed over the last 30 years through a wide international network of experts in different fields
 - **DRD on calorimetry** can widely benefit of this existing expertise
- Development on scintillators, photo-detectors, electronics for HEP has impact on many applications
 - ⇒ Strong cross fertilization between HEP and applied physics (eg medical and industrial apps).
 - ⇒ **DRD on calorimetry** can widely benefit from synergy effects achieved in common R&D projects carried out with research partners active in fields outside HEP