

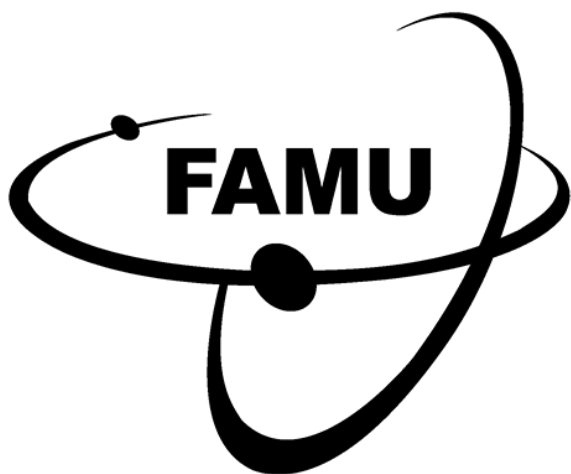


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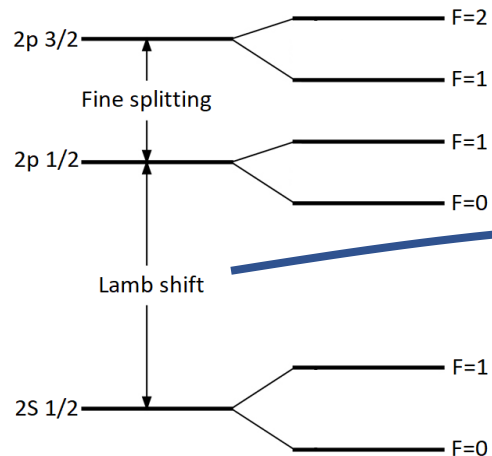
Status of the FAMU experiment at RIKEN-RAL  
for a precision measurement of the Zemach  
radius of the proton in muonic hydrogen

Riccardo Rossini on behalf of the International FAMU Collaboration  
IPRD23 @Siena - R. Rossini, The FAMU experiment.



# The proton radius puzzle

# The proton charge radius



Defined as:

$$r_E^2 := -6 \left. \frac{dG_E}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0}$$

Electric form factor of the nucleus, in the ep scattering cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{E'}{E} \left\{ \frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2 \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right\}$$

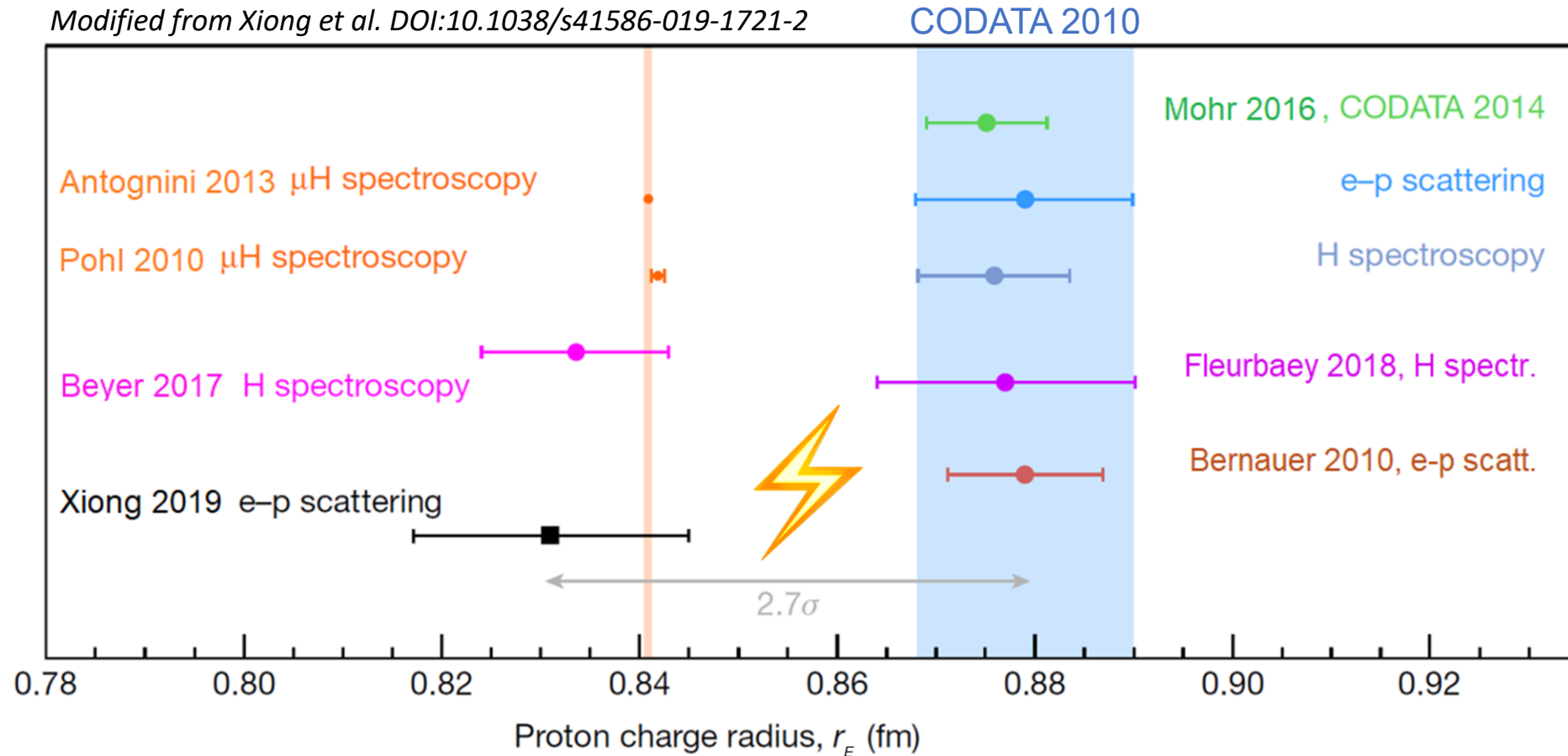
**scattering** technique.

Lamb shift in H has leading order dependency on the charge radius:

$$\Delta E_L = \frac{(Z\alpha)^4 m_r^3}{12} r_E^2$$

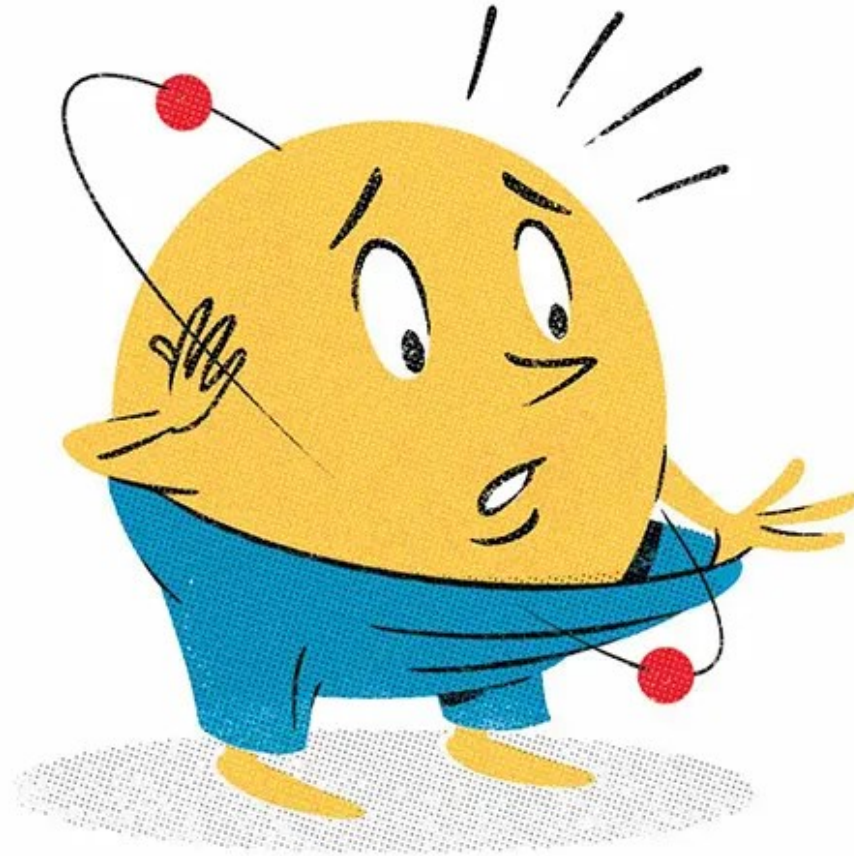
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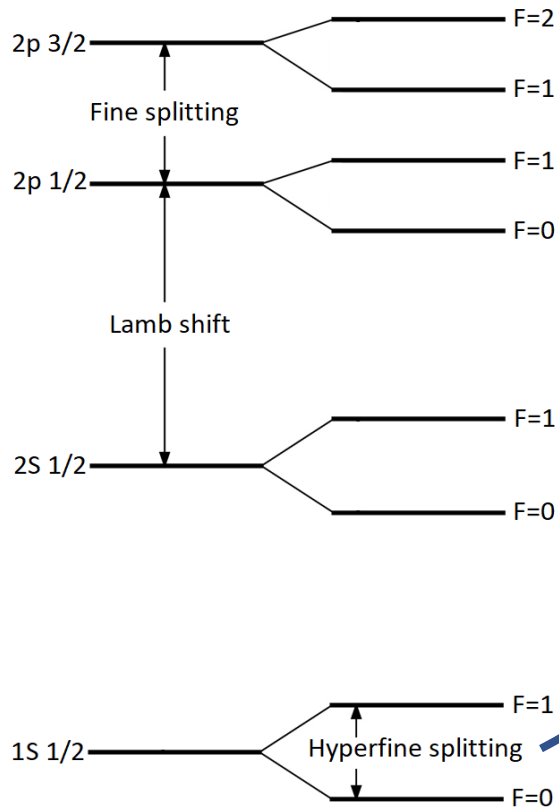
# The New York Times

*For a Proton, a Little Off the Top (or Side) Could Be Big Trouble*



# The proton Zemach radius

Defined as: 
$$r_Z := -\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dQ}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{G_E(Q^2)G_M(Q^2)}{1+\kappa_N} - 1 \right] = \int r d^3r \int d^3r' \rho_E(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \rho_M(\vec{r}')$$



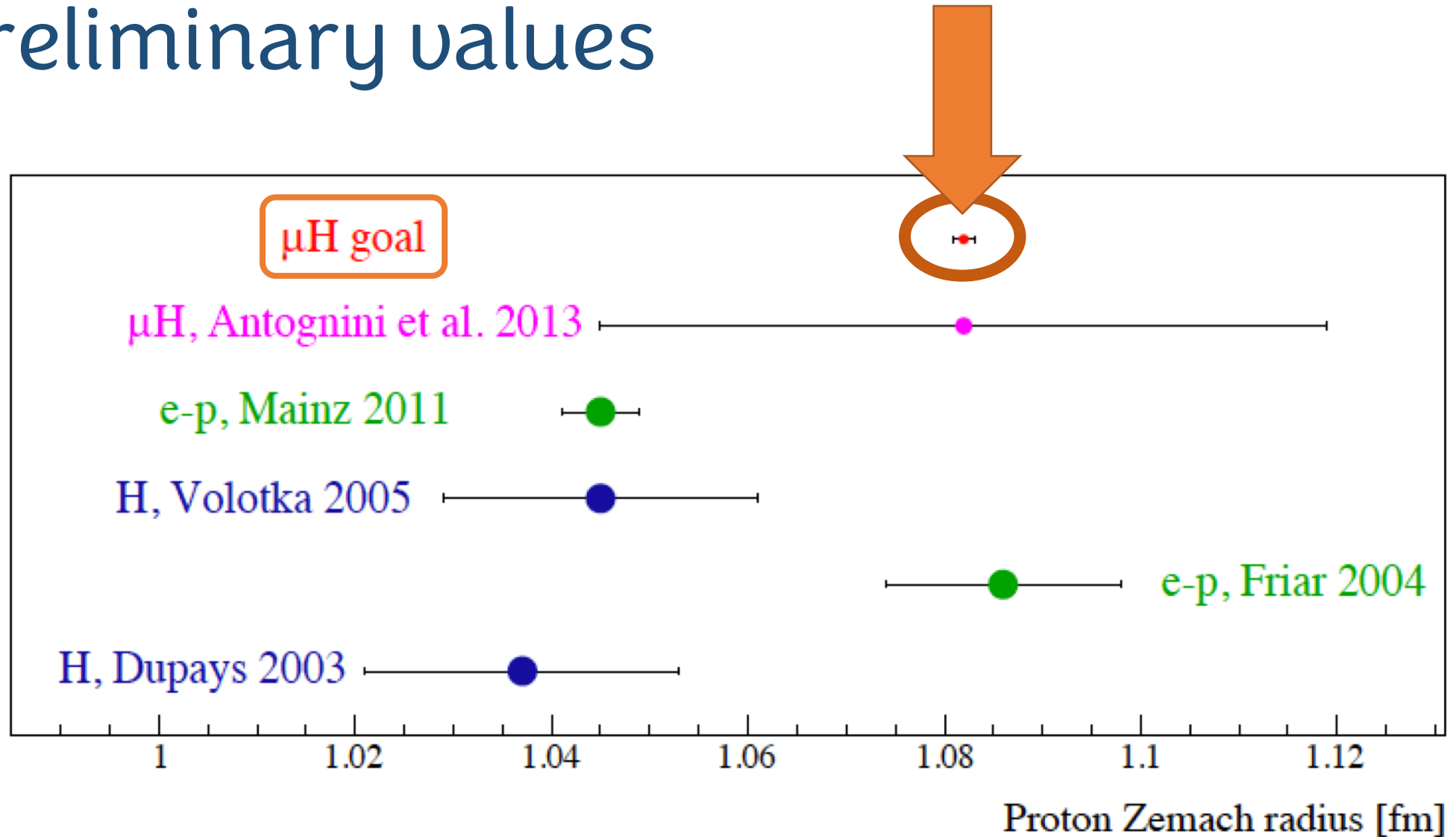
Leading order dependency on the hyperfine splitting:

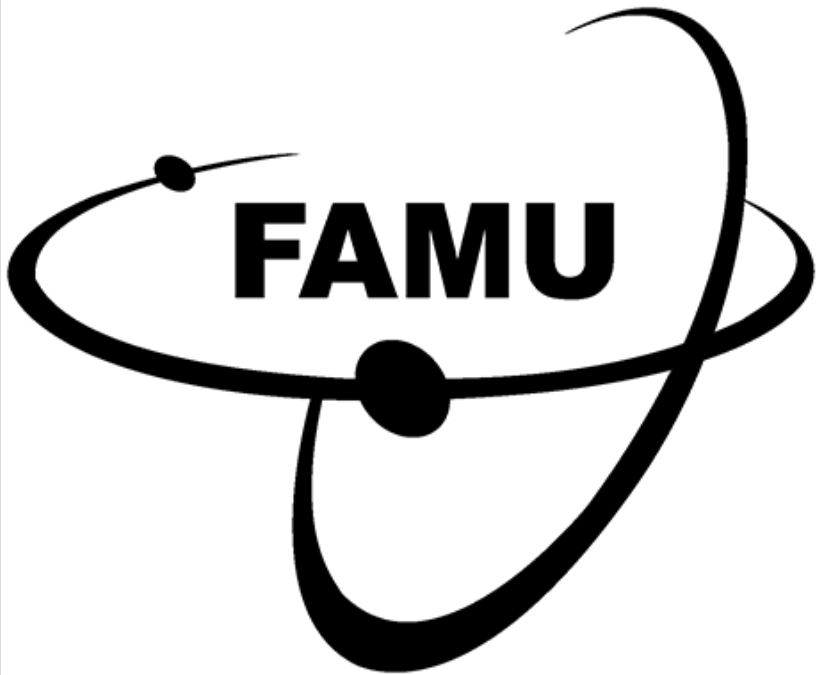
$$\Delta E_{hfs} = -\frac{2Z\alpha m_r}{n^3} \frac{8(Z\alpha)^4 m_r^3 (1 + \kappa_N)}{3mM} r_Z$$

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NB:  $\frac{\Delta E_L}{\Delta E_{hfs}} \sim 10^{-2} \rightarrow$  the hfs is far more difficult to measure!

# Preliminary values



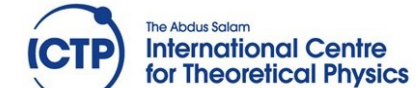
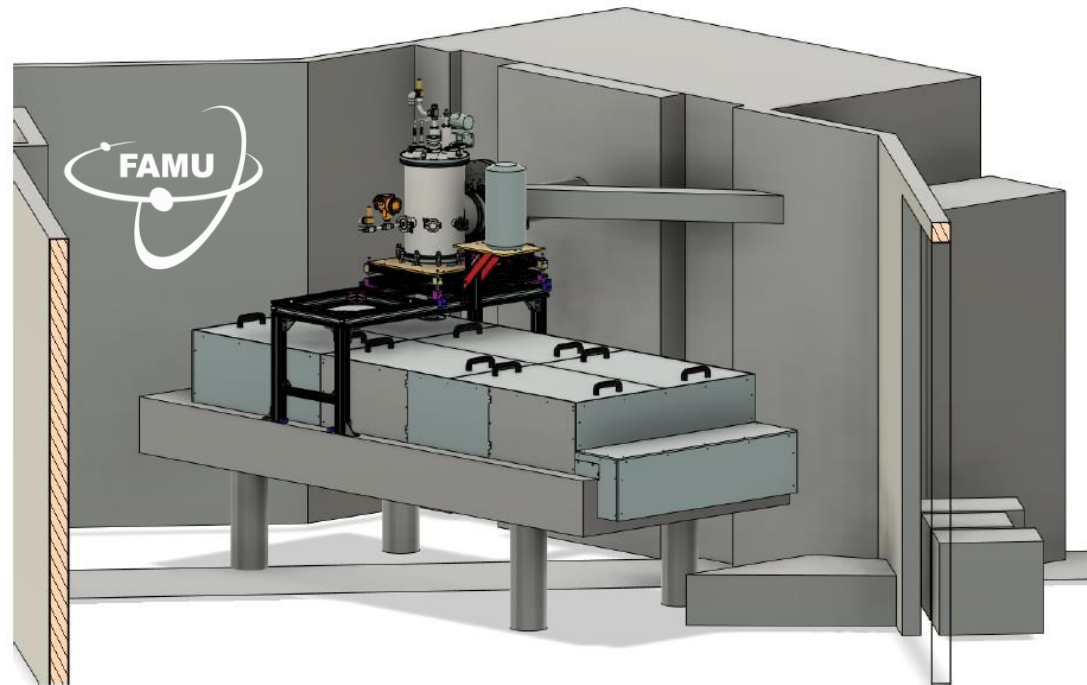


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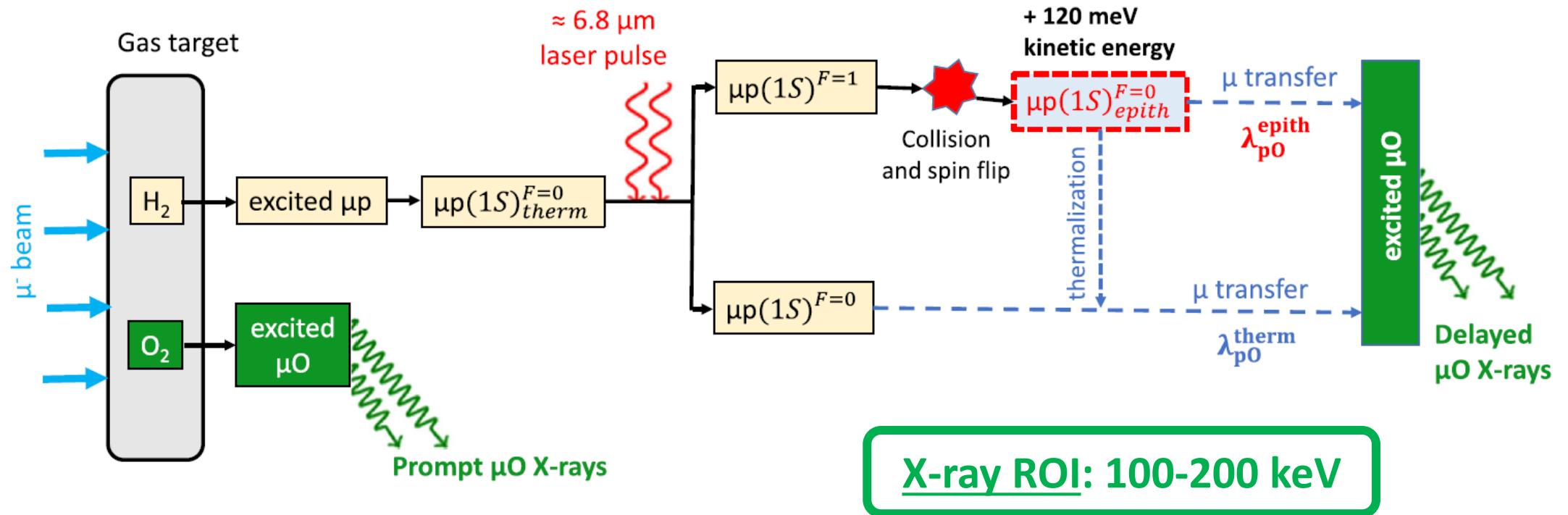
# The FAMU Collaboration

Around 60 researchers (75% Italians) from 20 institutions.



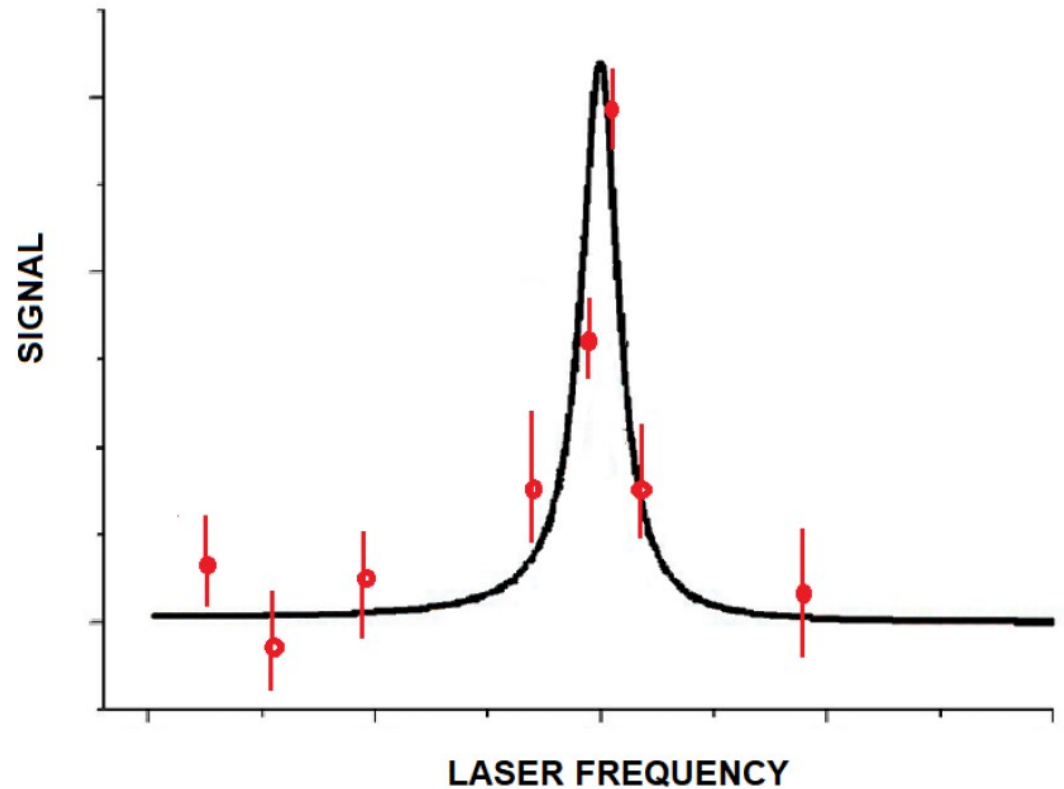
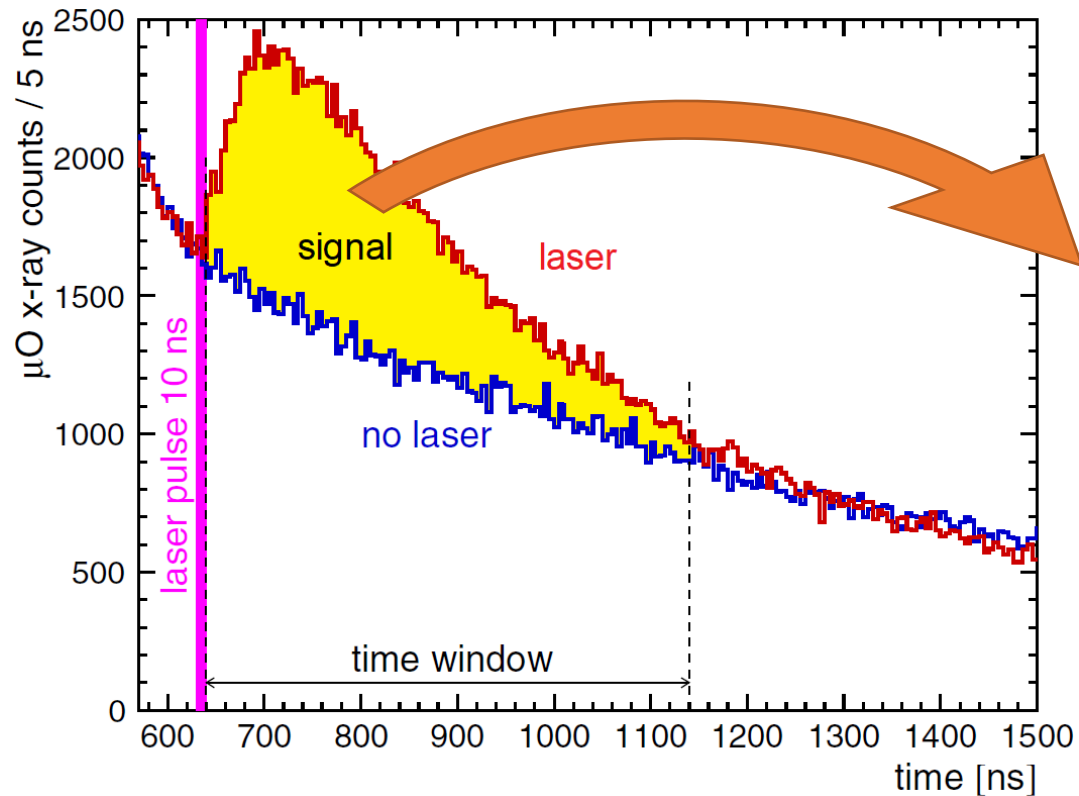
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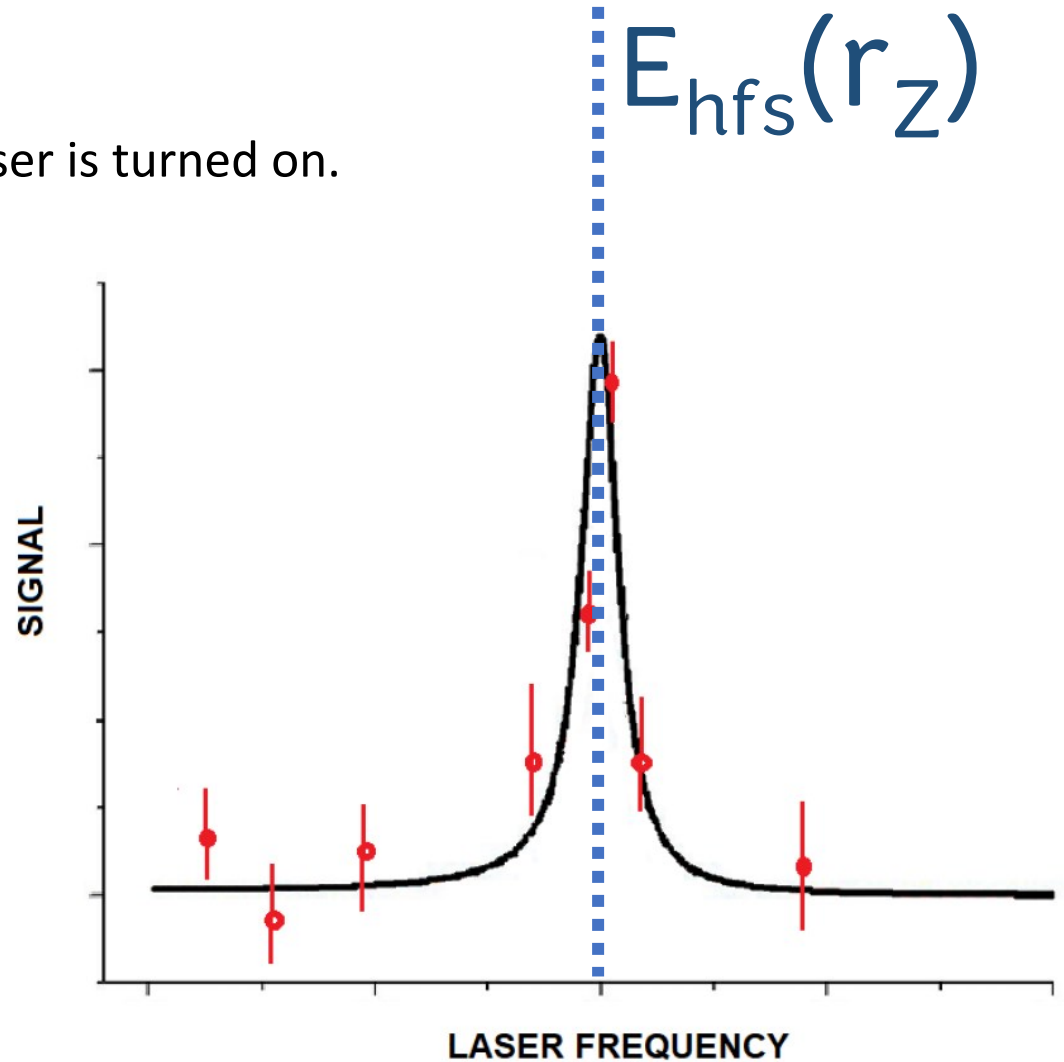
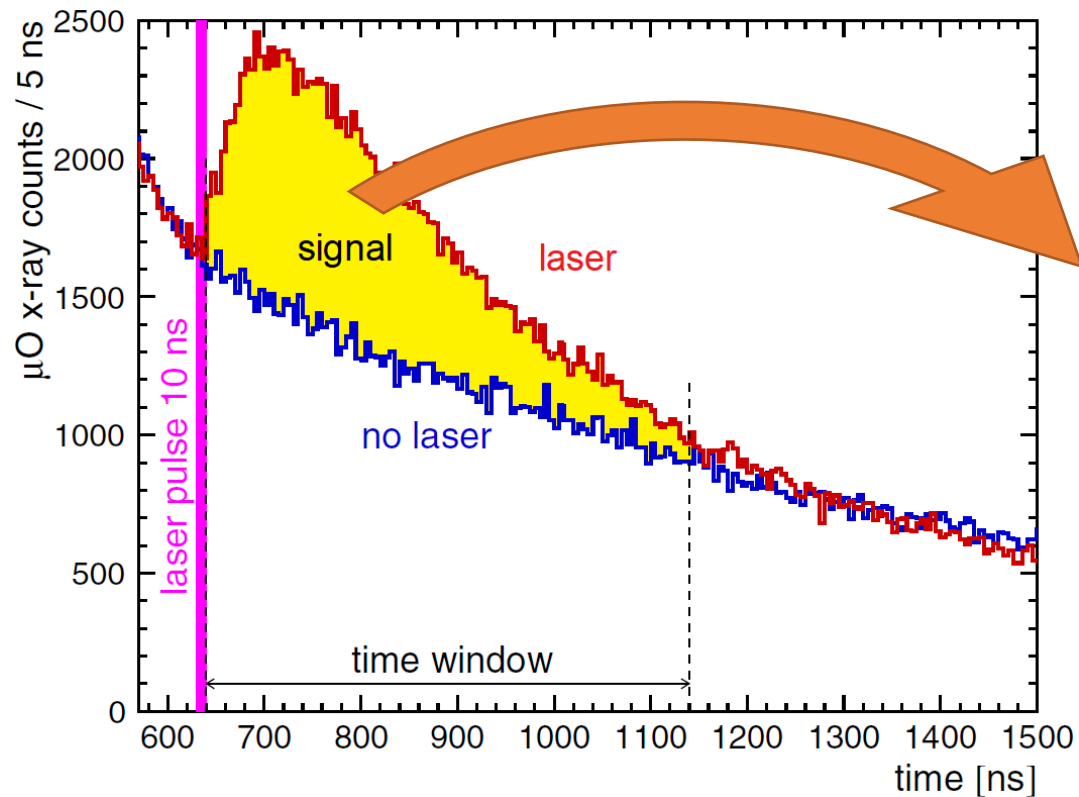
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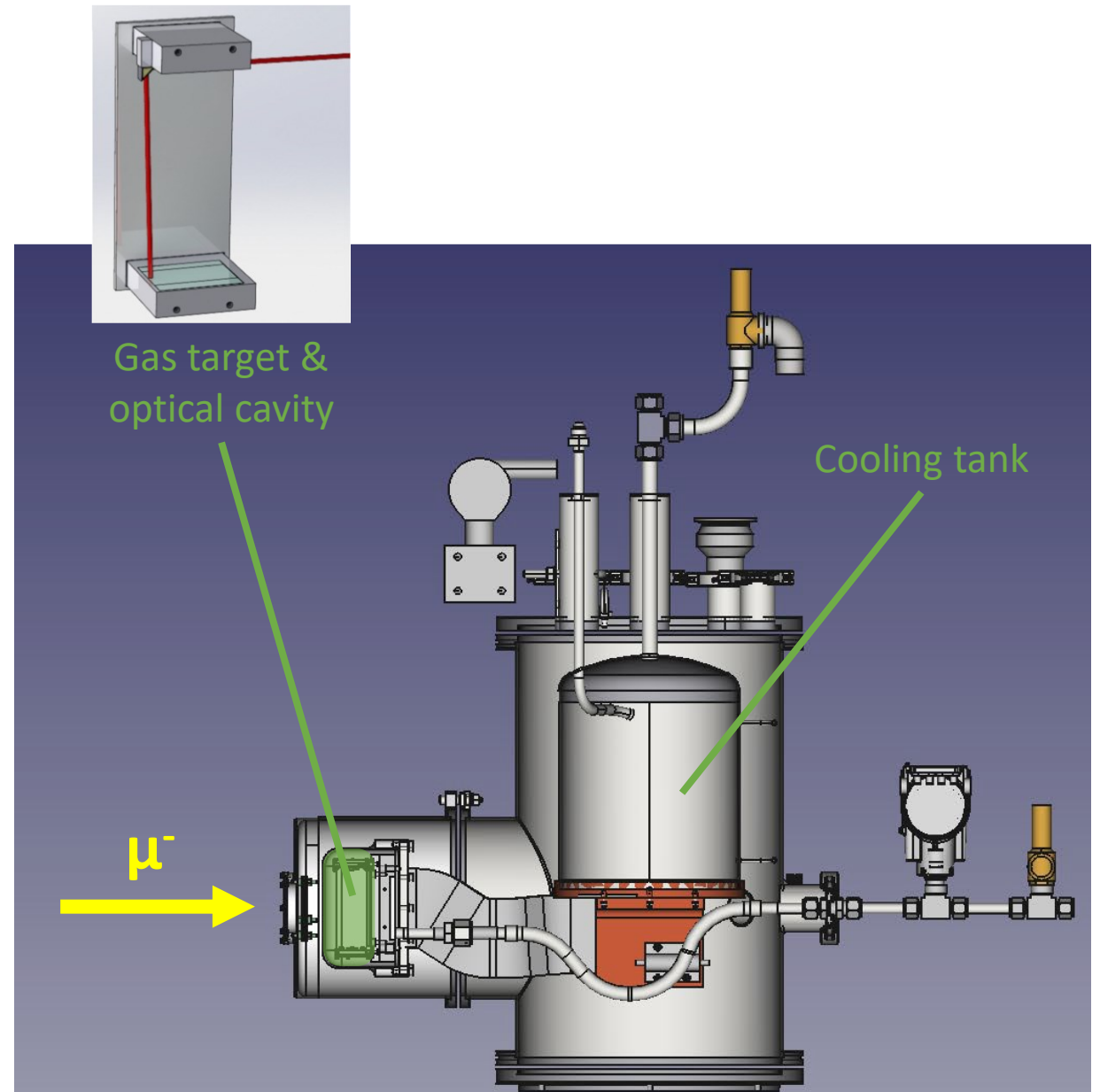
Geometry and working conditions optimised by MC simulation and during the previous experimental runs (2014-2018):

Cavity size:  $2 \times 2 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3$ ,

Temperature: 80 K,

Pressure: 7 bar,

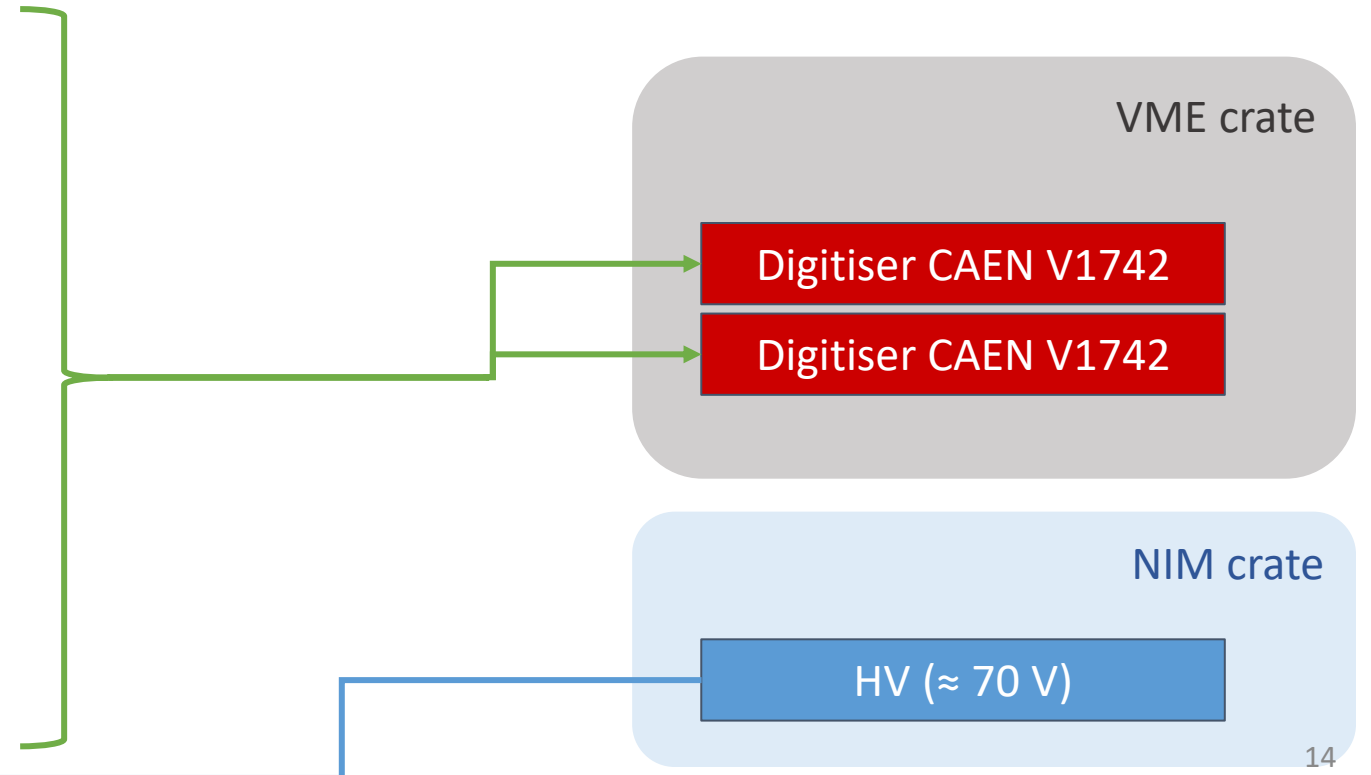
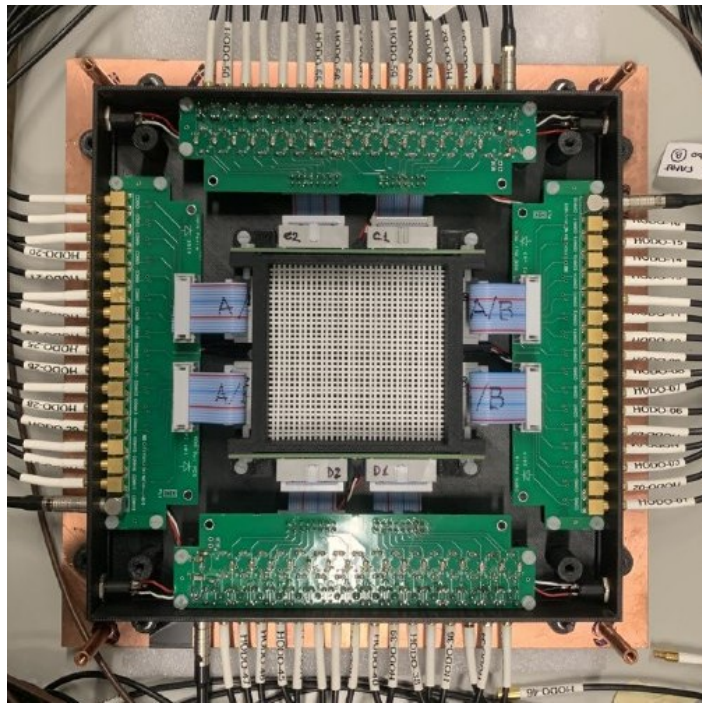
Gas mixture: 99%  $\text{H}_2$  and 1%  $\text{O}_2$ .



# FAMU muon beam monitor

1 mm pitch polystyrene (Saint-Gobain BCF12) scintillating fibres read at one tip with a Hamamatsu S12 SiPM.

32 x 32 fibres on two different planes, 1 mm interspacing → active area 6.4 x 6.4 cm<sup>2</sup>.



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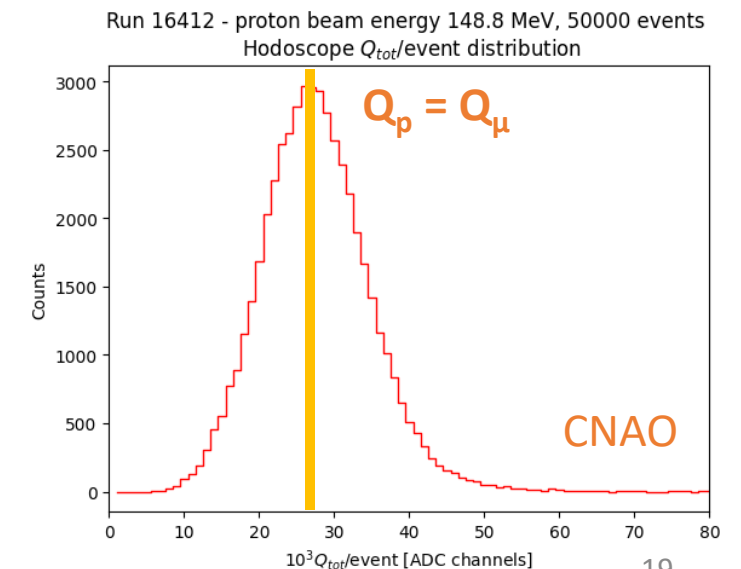
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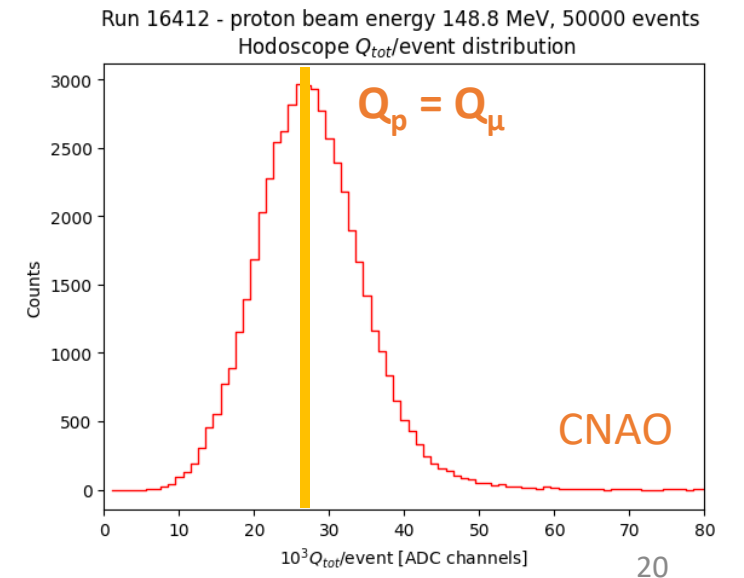
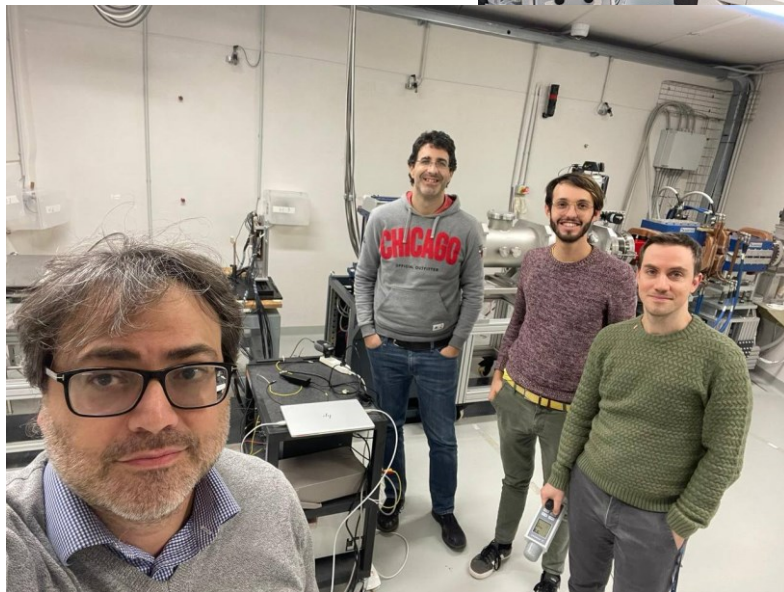
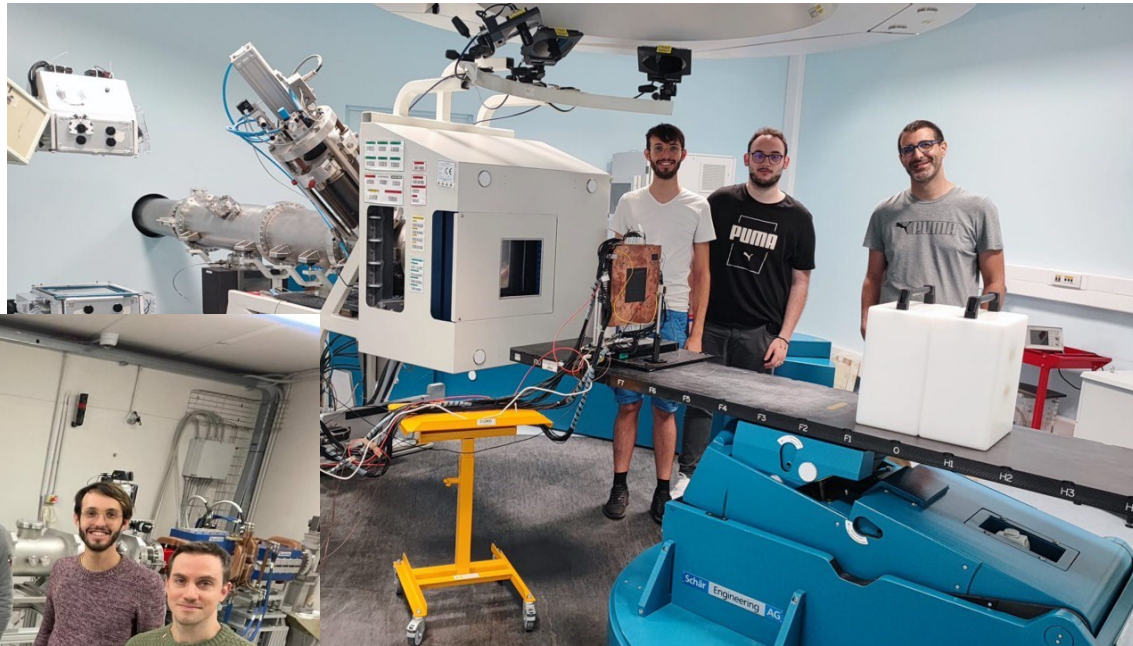
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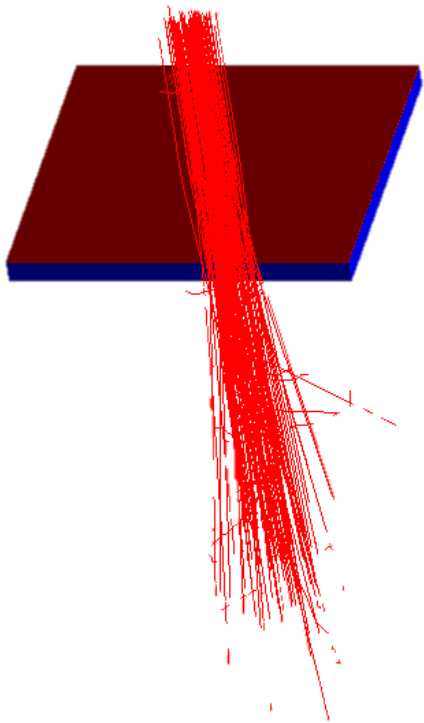
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Procedure carried out at the CNAO synchrotron (Pavia) with  $E_p = 150$  MeV and rate  $\approx 50$  Hz.



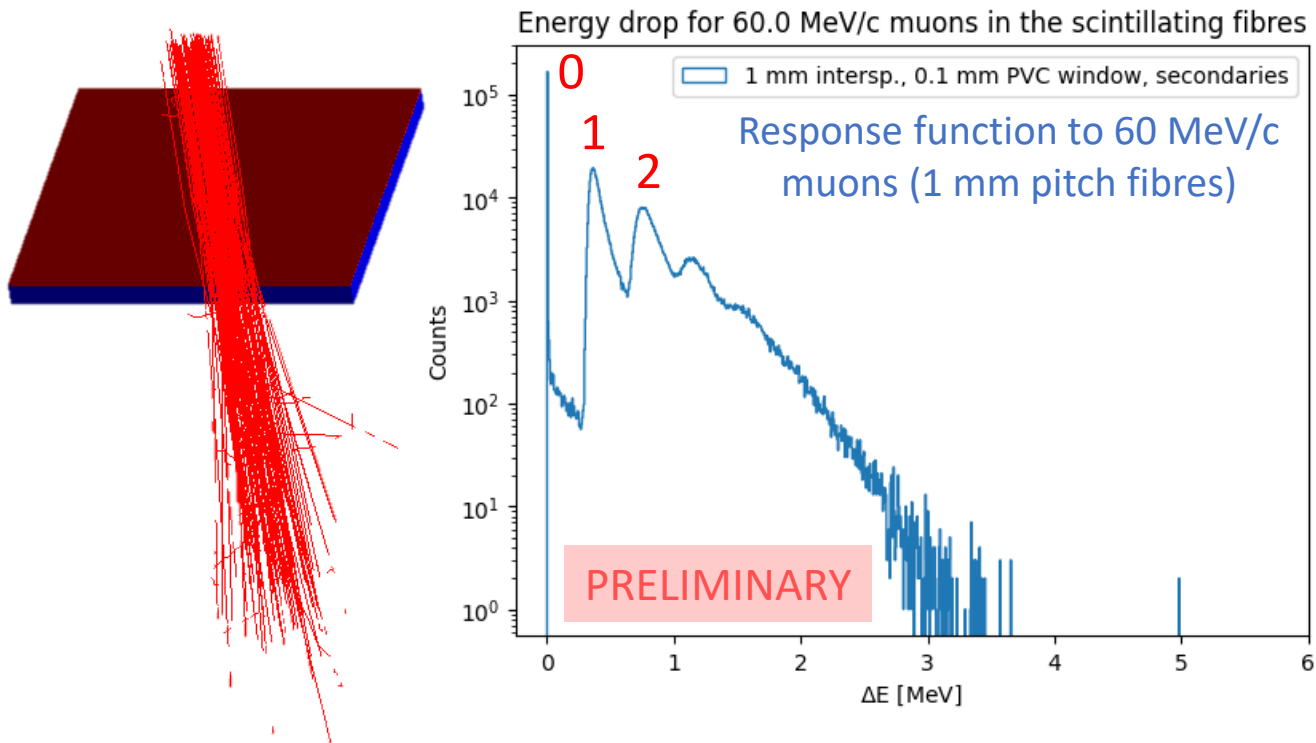
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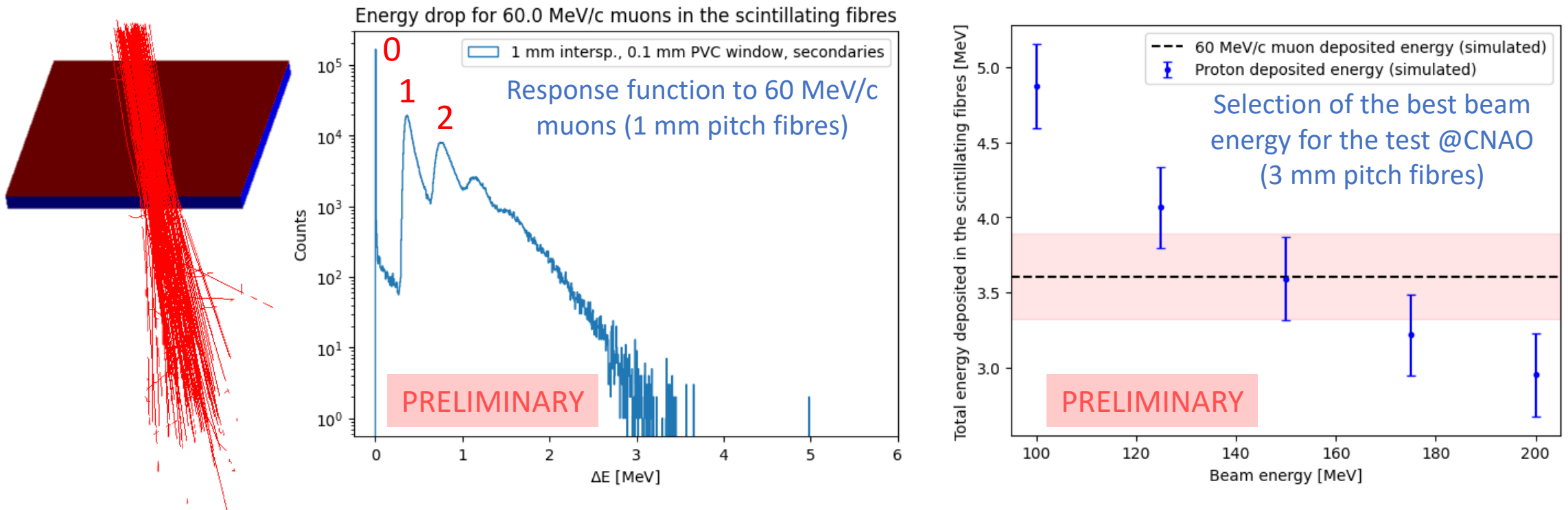
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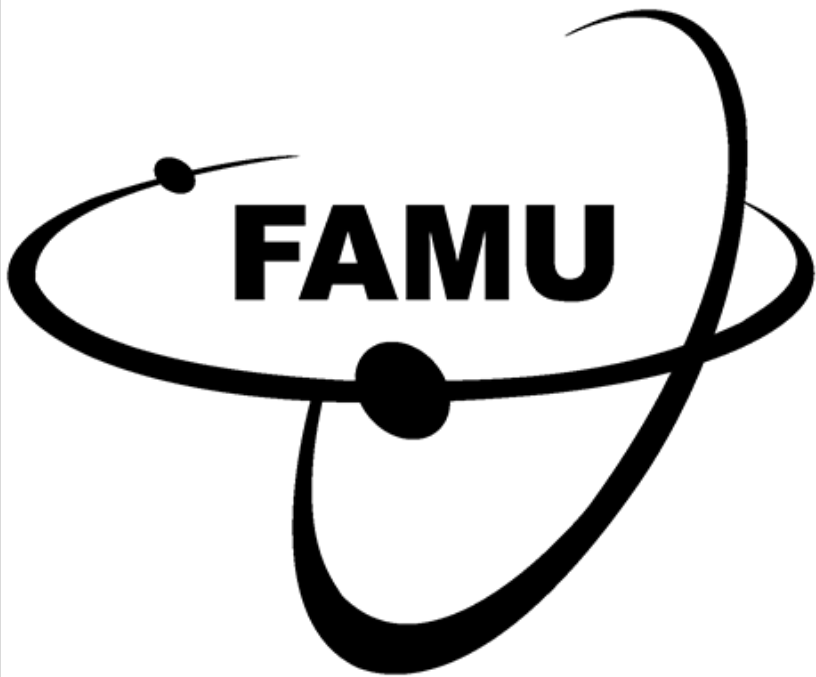
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Further details in the following poster:

R.Rossini for the FAMU Collaboration

*Characterisation of a low-momentum high-rate muon beam monitor for the FAMU experiment at RIKEN-RAL.*





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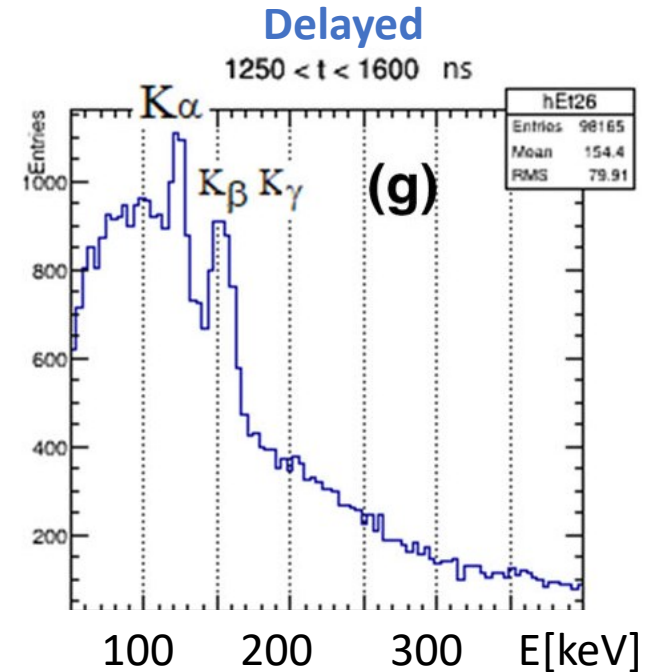
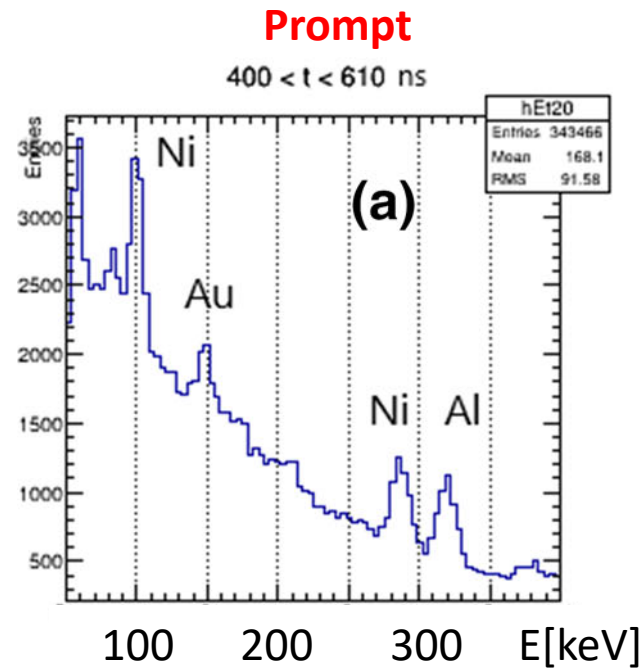
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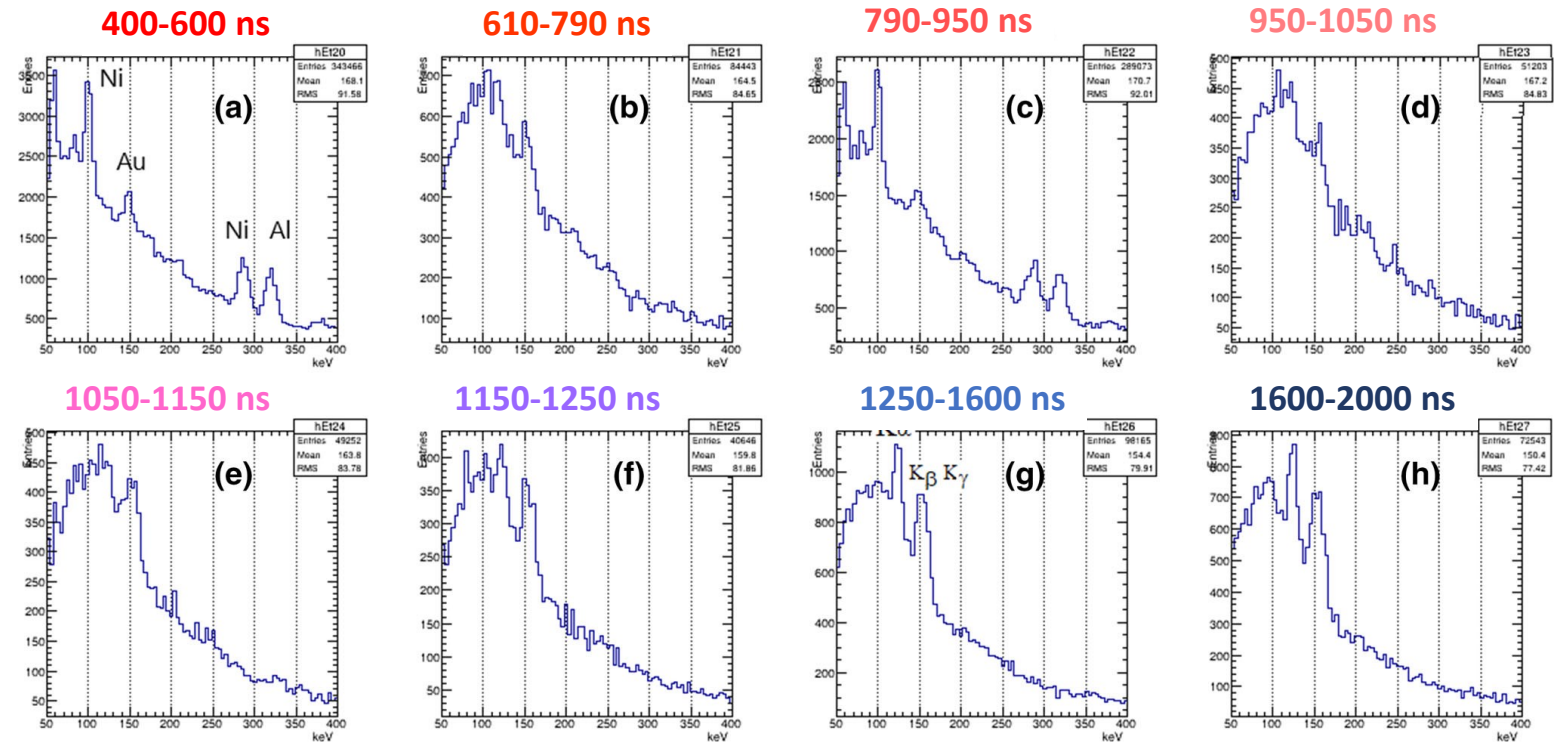
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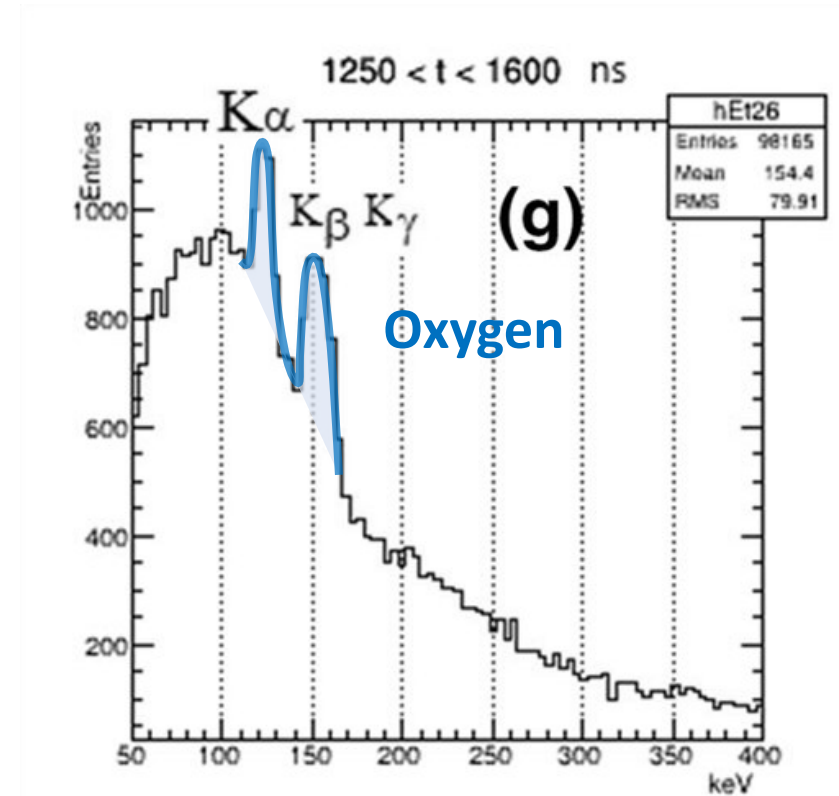


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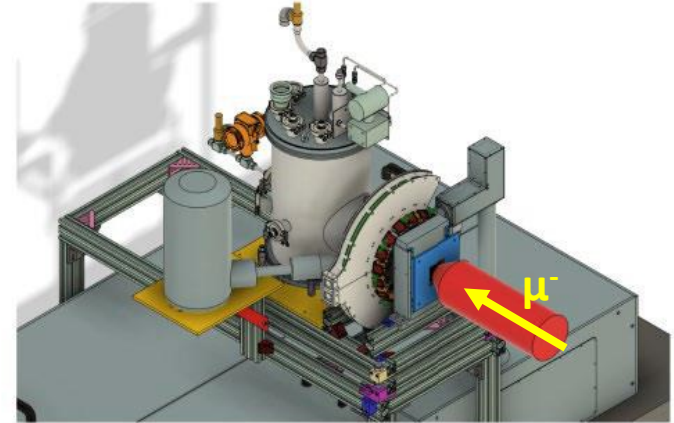
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X-ray ROI:  
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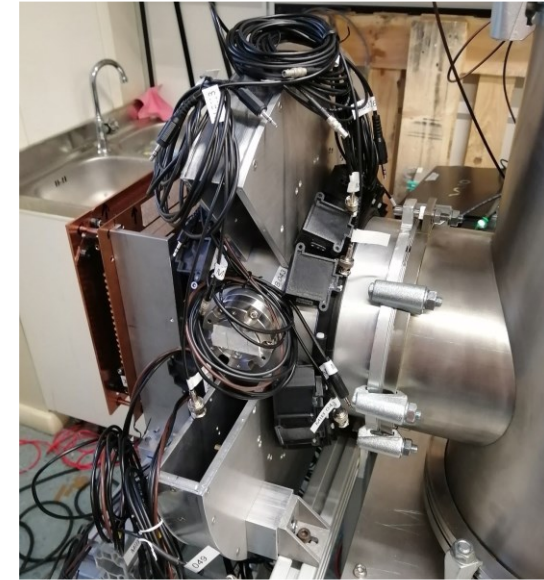
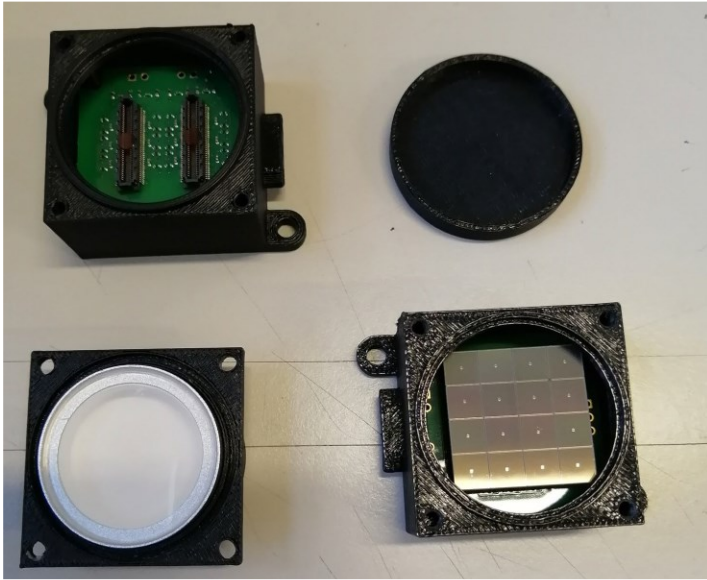
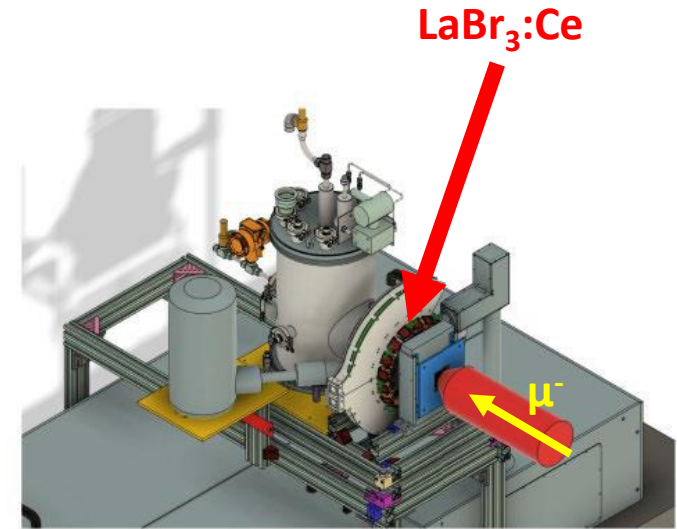


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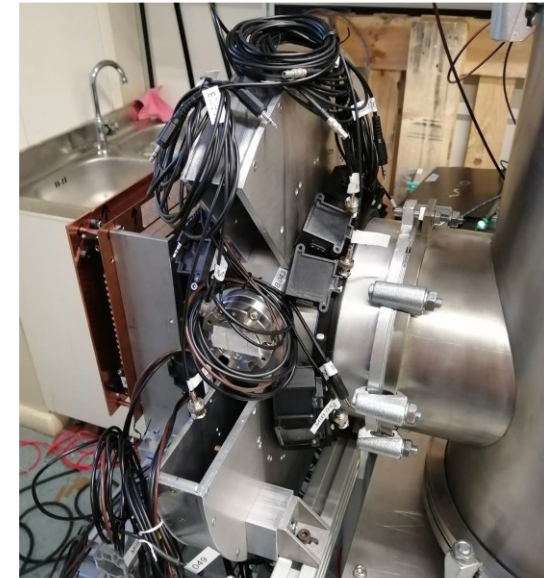
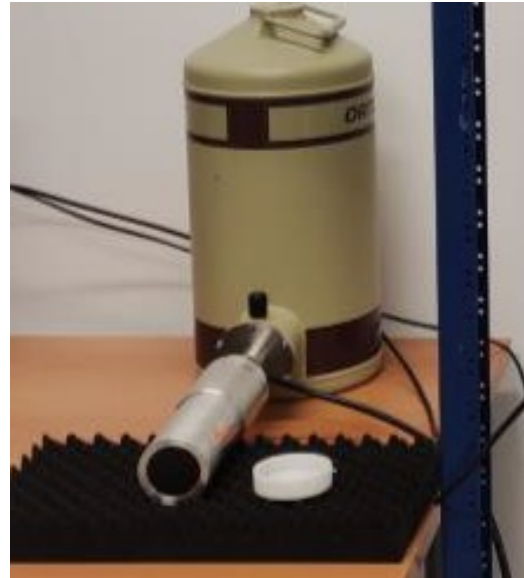
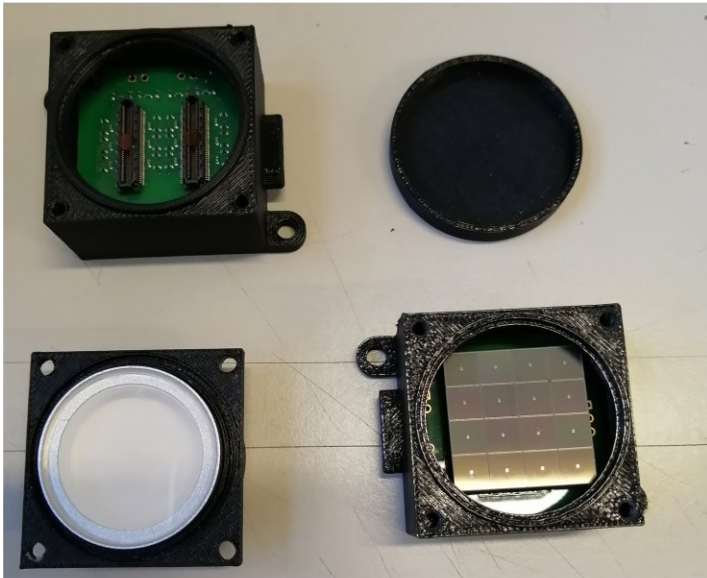
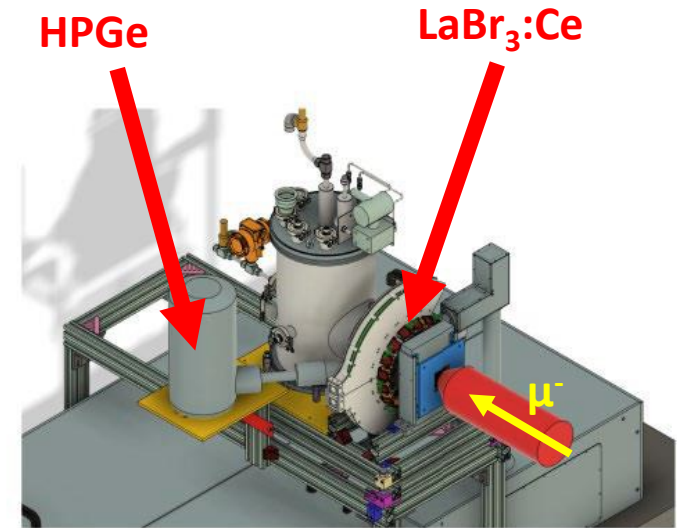




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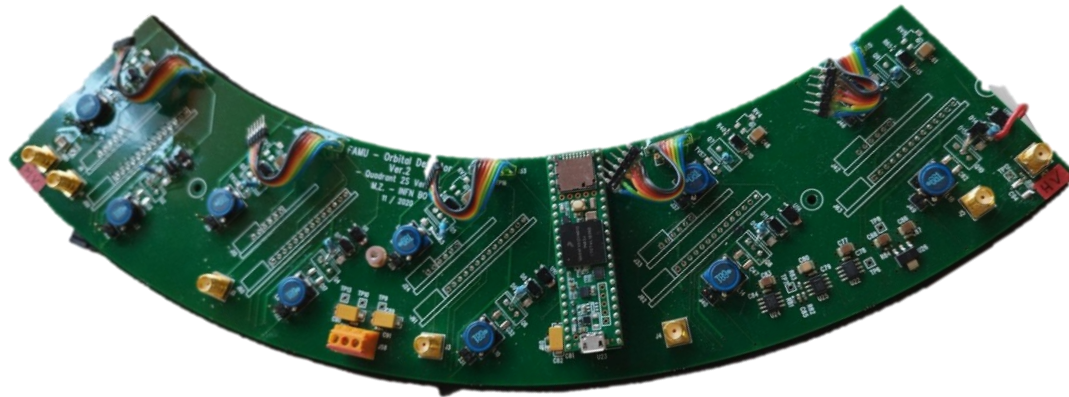
Coaxial HPGe for energy-resolved measurements.



# LaBr<sub>3</sub>:Ce detectors read by PMTs

Set of lanthanum bromide crystals read by PMTs.

Rise(fall)-time [ns]	FWHM/E (@137Cs)
12 (100)	4%



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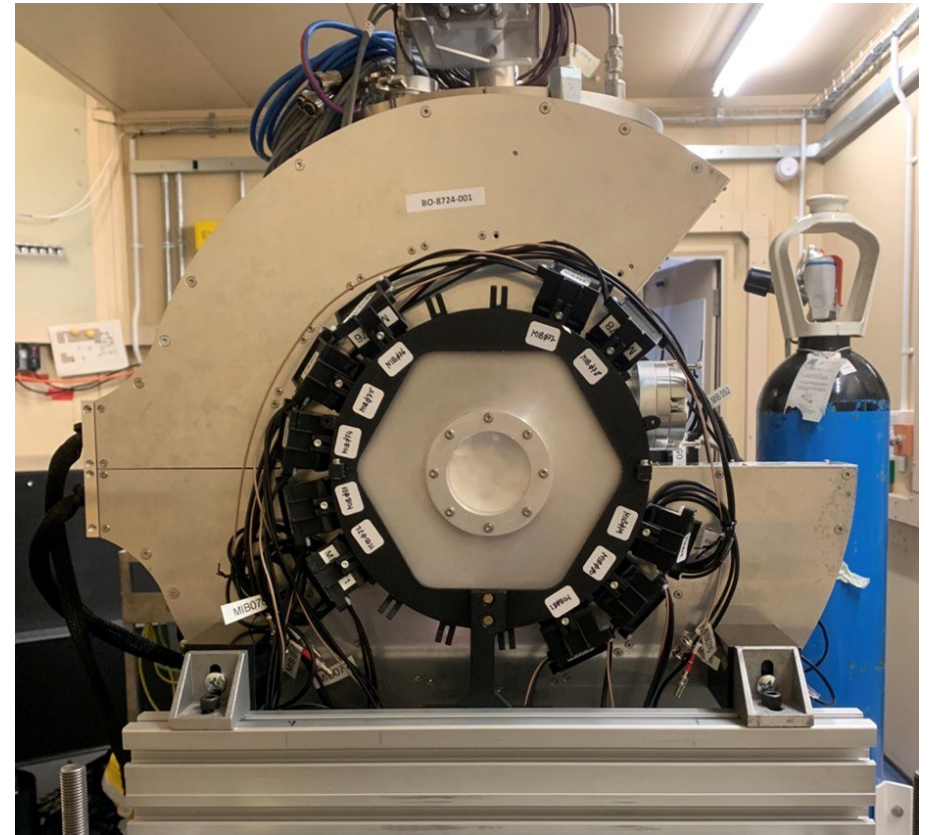


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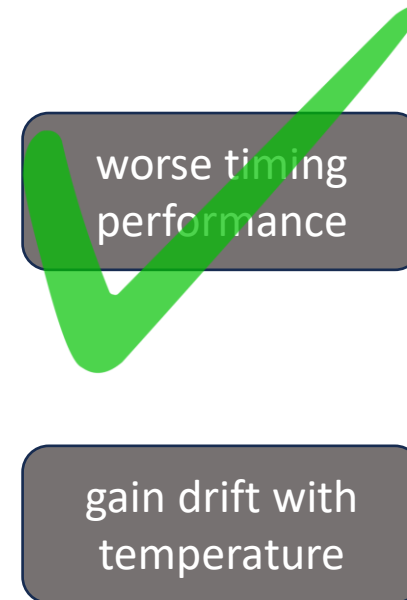
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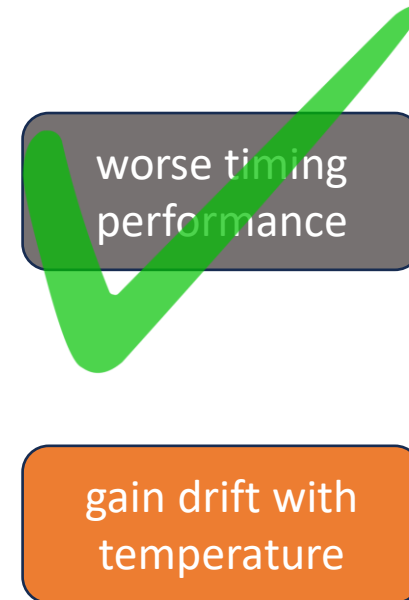
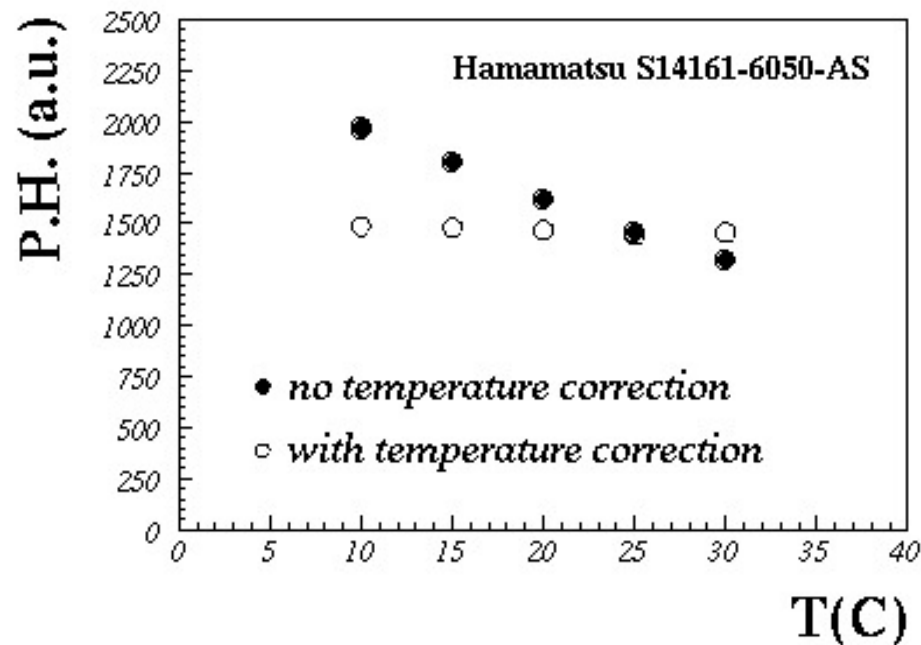
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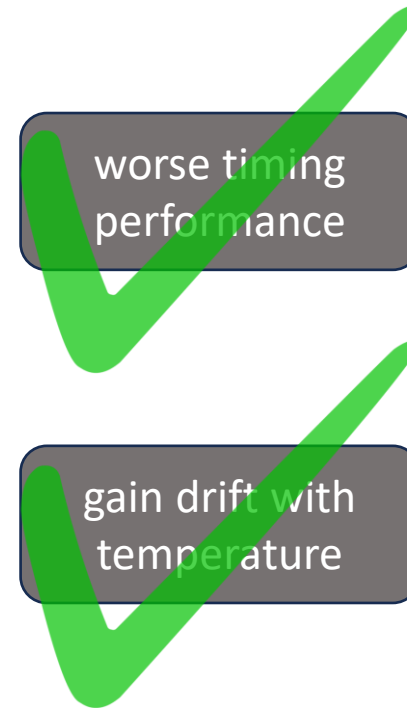
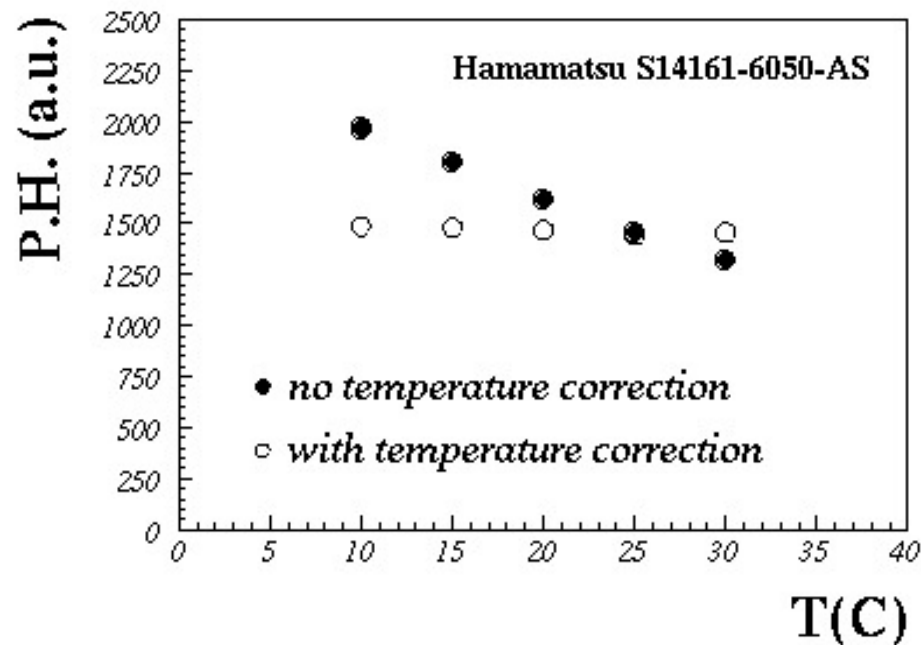
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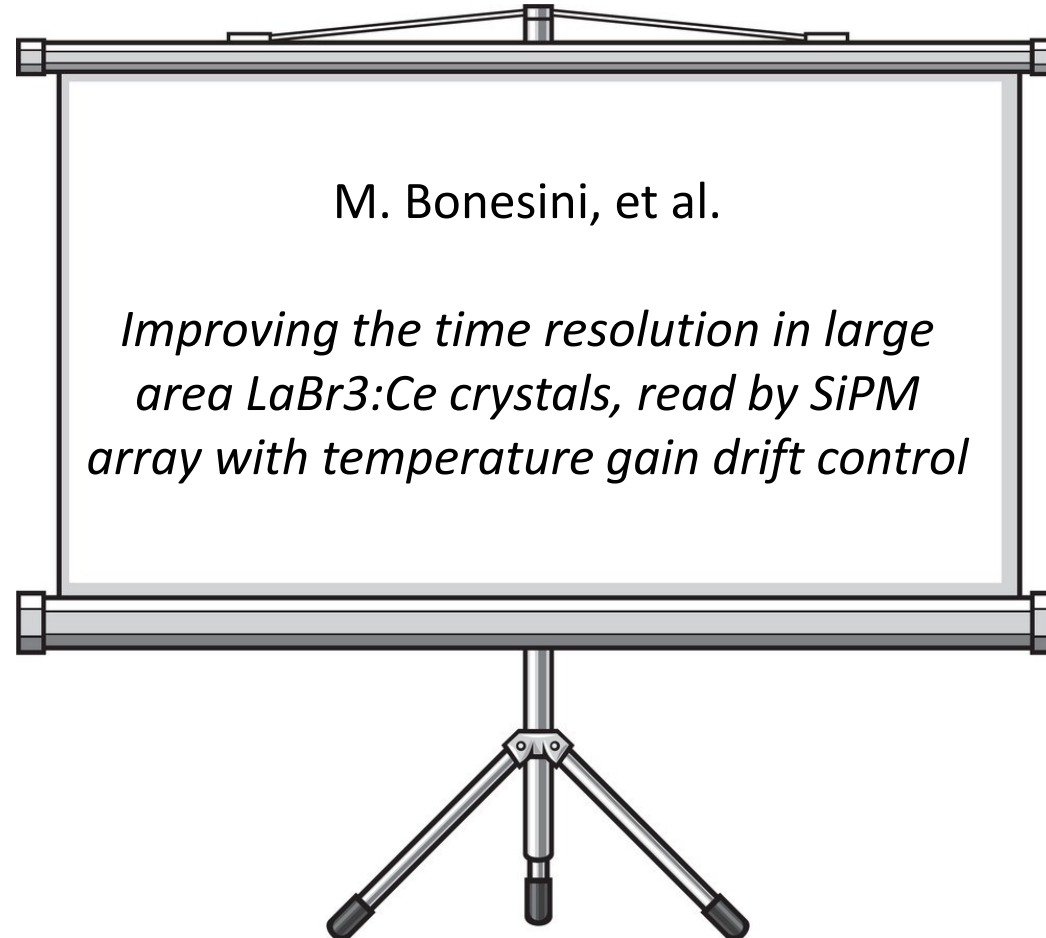
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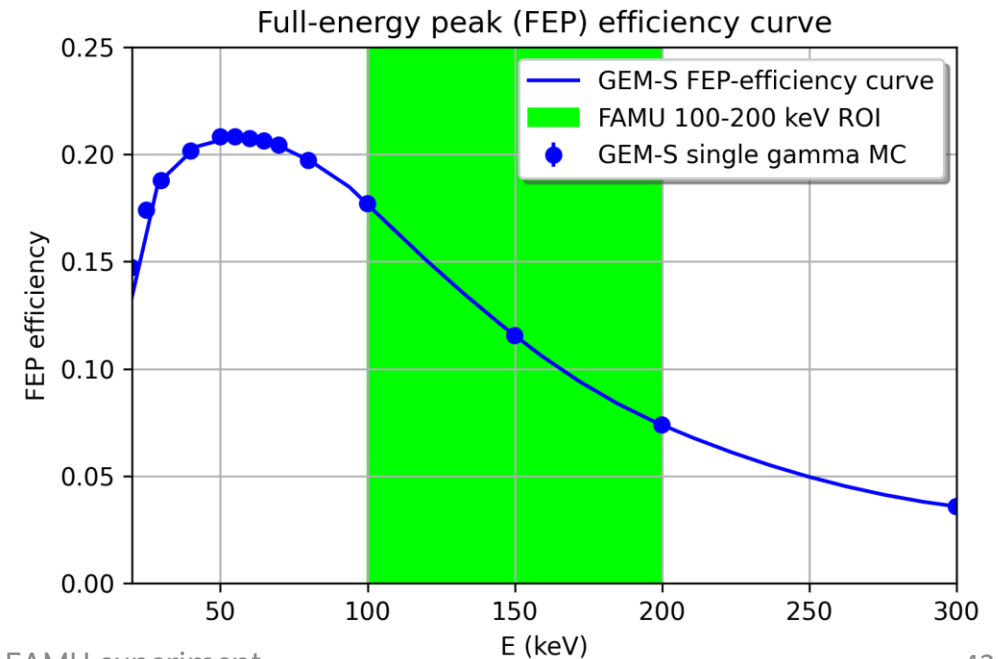
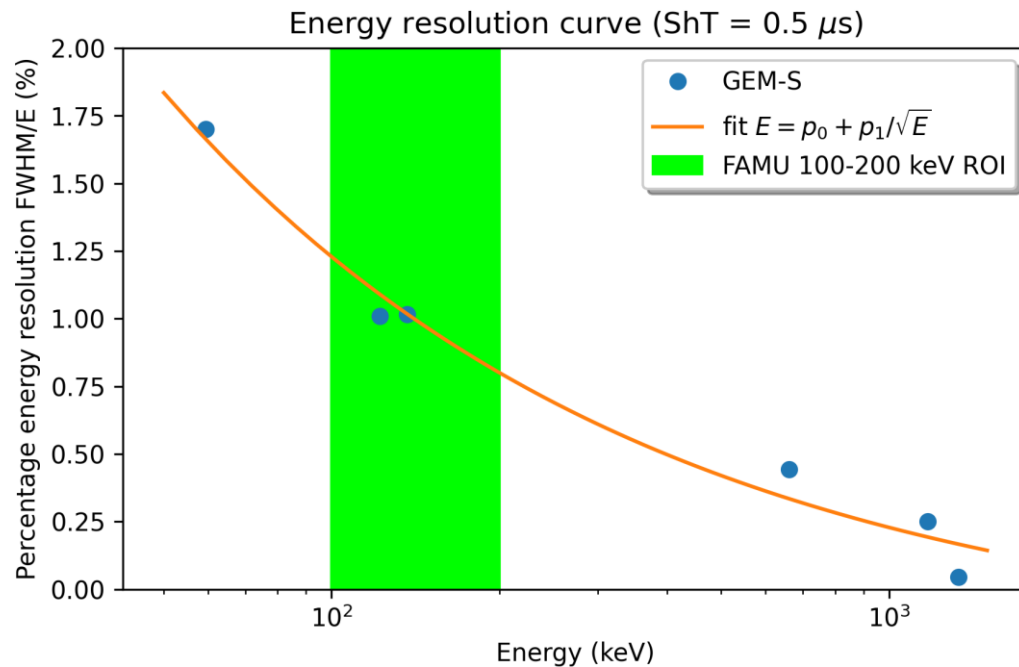


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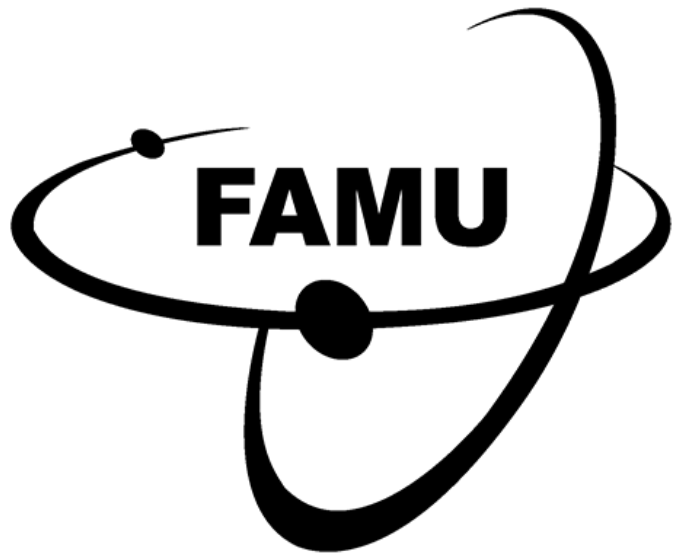
Rise(fall)-time [ns]	FWHM/E (@137Cs)
100 ( $10^5$ )	0.5%

Slow-signal detector with high energy resolution, mainly used for target commissioning, detector calibration and peak identification.

Shaped with ORTEC 672 – gaussian, shaping time 0.5  $\mu$ s.



ii, The FAMU experiment.

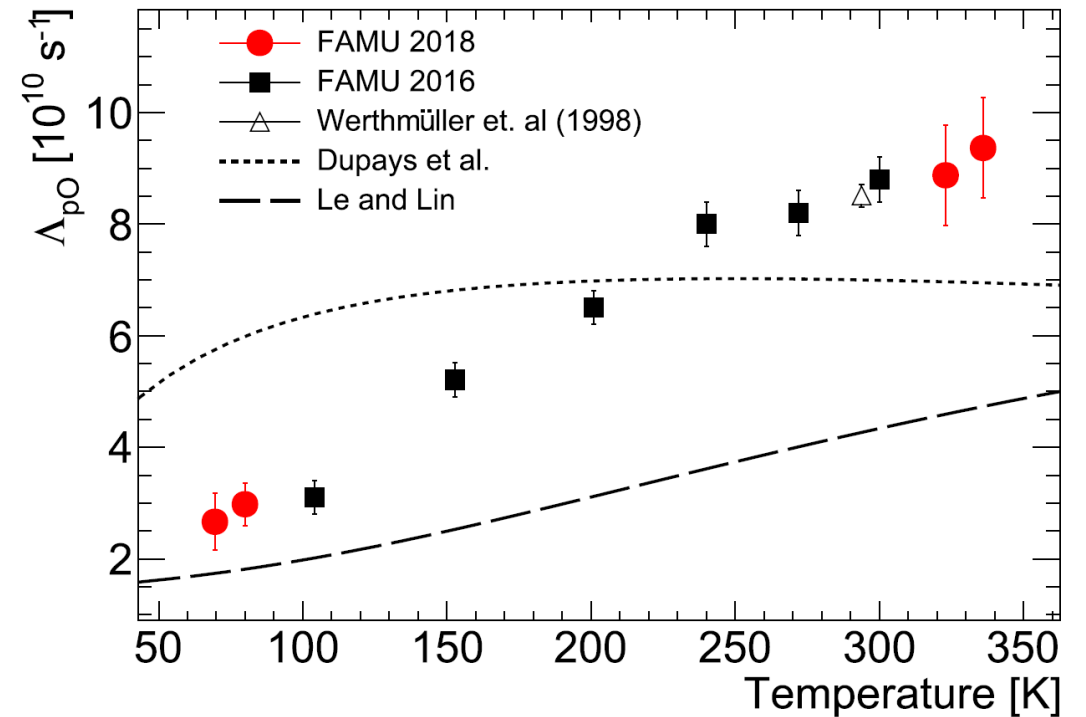
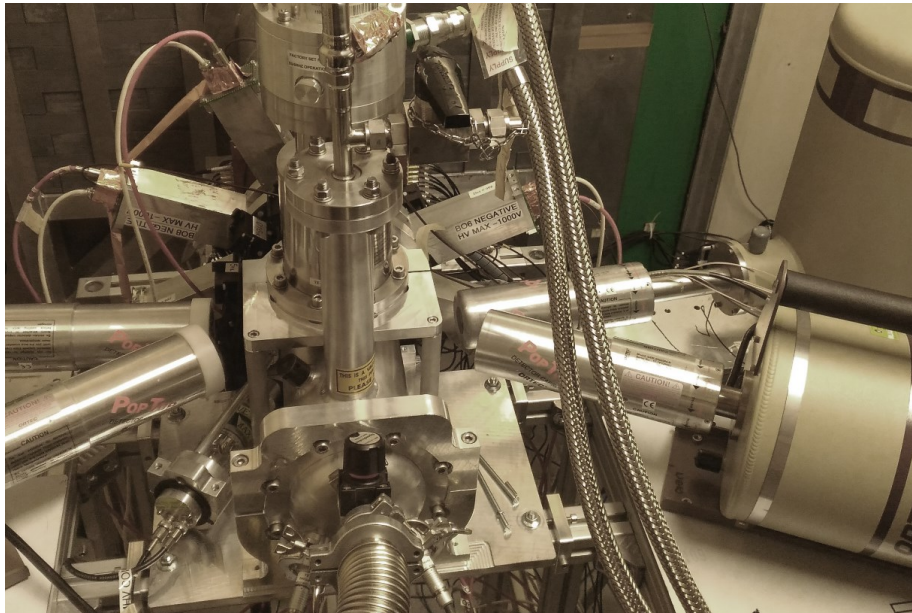


# Conclusion

# FAMU 2013–2022 results

Muon transfer function  $\Lambda_{pX}$  in various H+gas mixtures  $X = (\text{O}_2, \text{Ar}, \text{CO}_2, \text{CH}_4)$ .

Transfer function of H-O mixture ( $\Lambda_{pO}$ ) as a function of the temperature.



C. Pizzolotto *et al*, 2021 *Phys Lett A* **403** 127401

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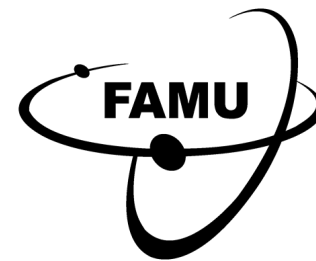
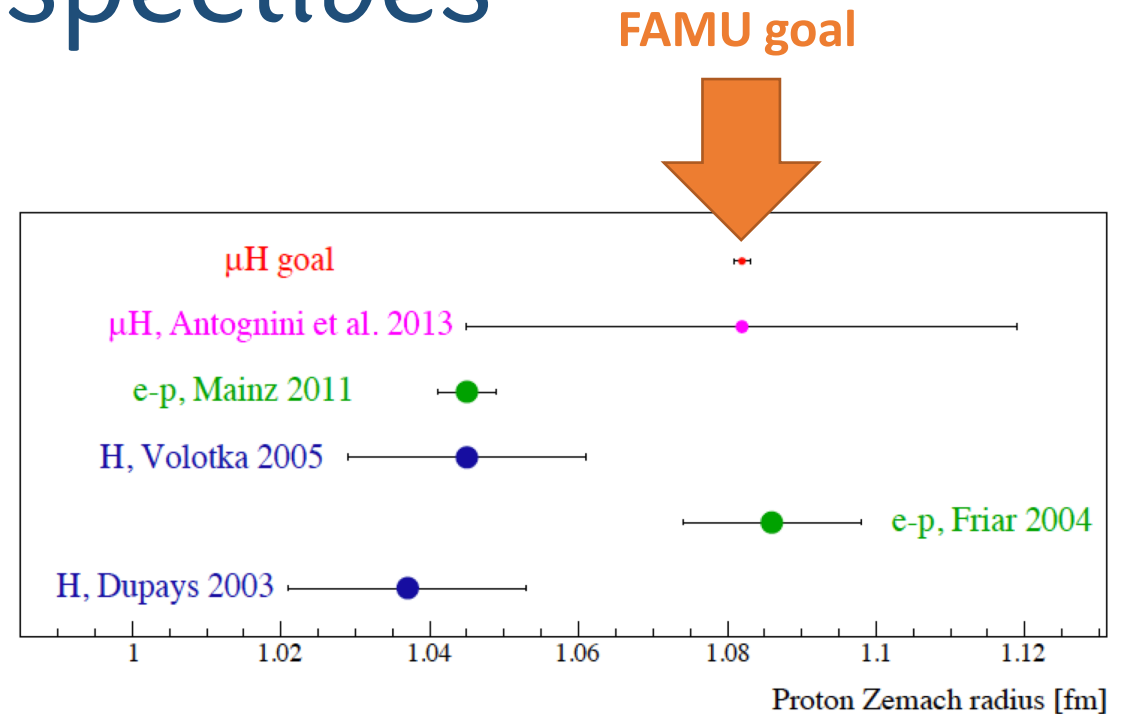
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## Main references:

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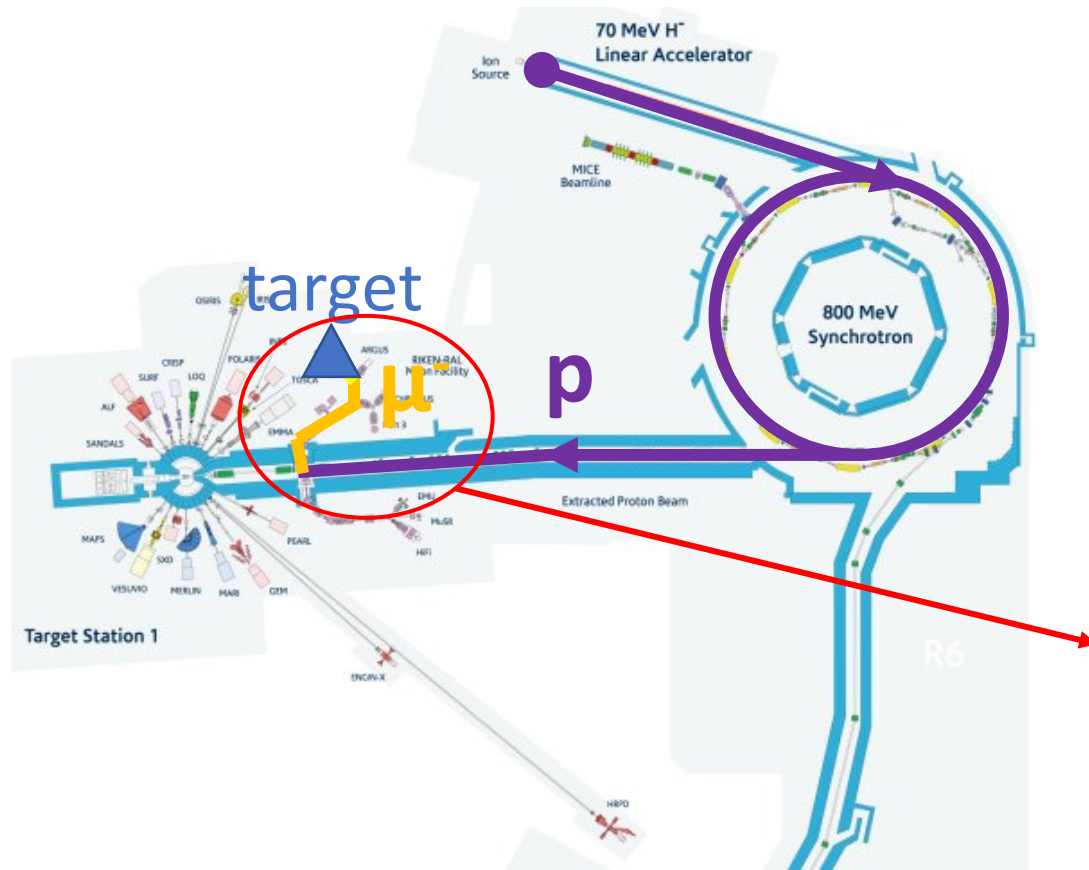






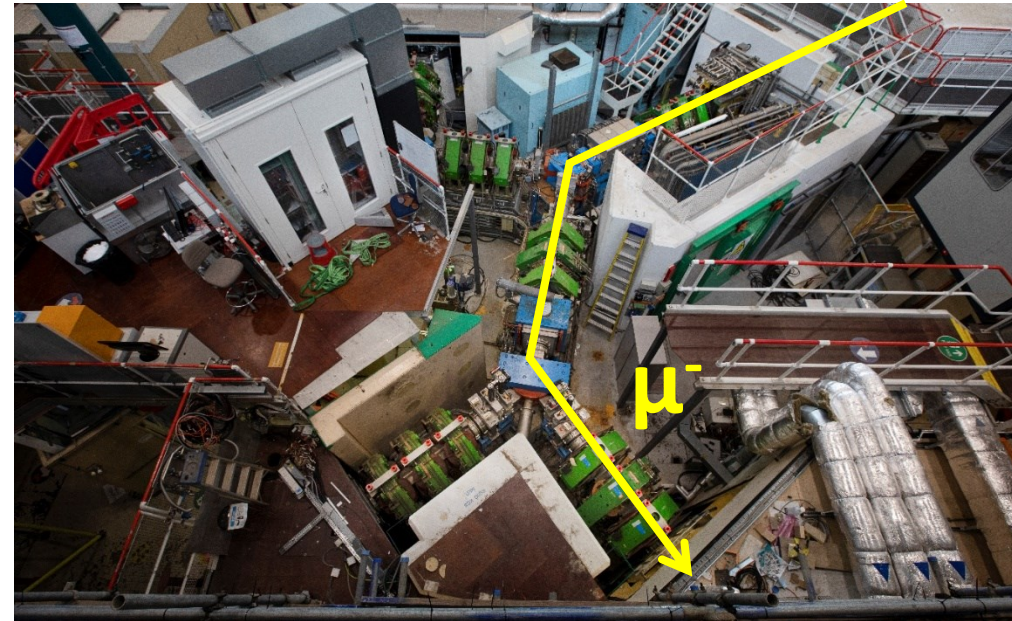


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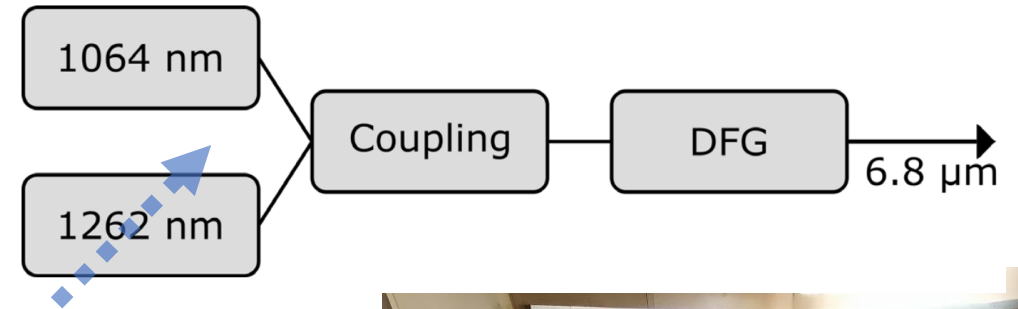


RIKEN-RAL Port 1 beam at the ISIS Neutron and Muon Source (Didcot, UK).

Momentum 60 MeV/c, average flux  $3 \cdot 10^4$  Hz.



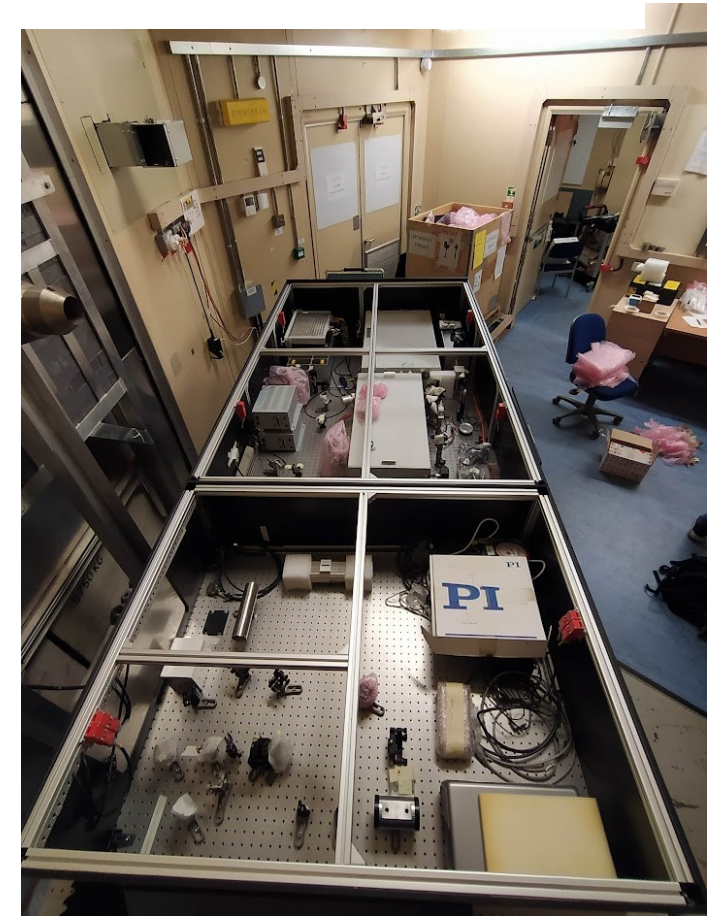
# FAMU laser



Difference Frequency Generation (DFG) exploits two lasers to produce the required frequency.

Fixed 1064 nm laser and tunable 1262 nm laser.

The two lasers are coupled with a non-linear crystal.



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Wavelength range	$6800 \pm 50 \text{ nm}$	$\approx 44 \text{ THz}$
Energy output	$> 1 \text{ mJ}$	Progressiv. up to $>4 \text{ mJ}$
Linewidth	$< 0.07 \text{ nm}$	450 MHz
Tunability steps	0.03 nm	200 MHz
Pulses duration	10 ns	
Repetition rate	25 Hz	

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