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Quarkonia production in proton-proton and Pb-Pb collisions with ALICE

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Charmonia are a valuable tool to investigate nuclear matter under extreme conditions, and particularly the strongly interacting medium formed in heavy-ion collisions. At the LHC energies, the regeneration process has been found to significantly impact the observed charmonium yields. In particular, the measurement of $\psi(2S)$ production relative to J/ψ in Pb-Pb collisions has a strong discriminating power between different regeneration scenarios. Additionally, the study of quarkonium production in proton-proton (pp) collisions represents the reference for interpreting results obtained in Pb-Pb collisions and it is a key measurement to distinguish among the quarkonium production models in pp and p-Pb. In this contribution, preliminary findings on the double ratio of $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ between Pb-Pb and pp collisions and the inclusive J/ψ yield in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV measured by the ALICE Collaboration will be presented and compared with existing model calculations.

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