



# TRENDS, NEEDS AND SYNERGIES IN SCINTILLATING MATERIALS

DRD6 collaboration WP3 meeting  
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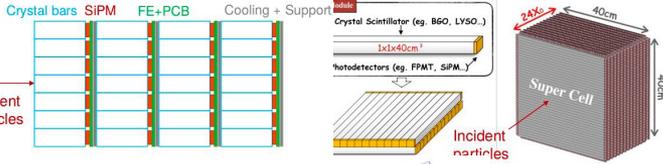


# WP3: a variety of optical calorimeter concepts

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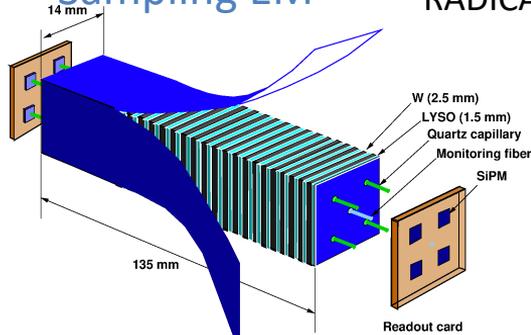
HGCCAL Design 1

Design 2



## Sampling EM

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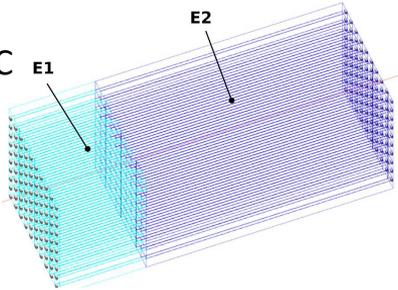


## Sampling EM/HM

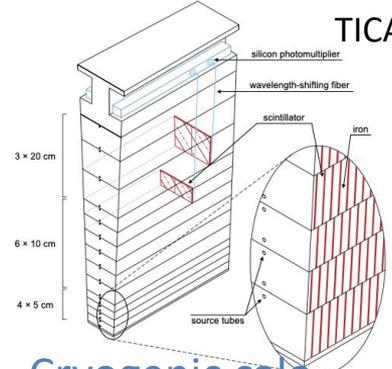
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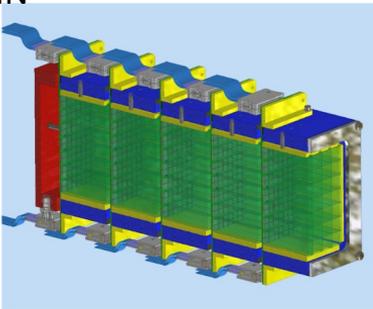
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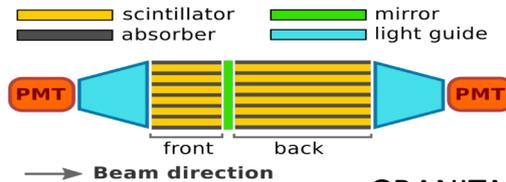
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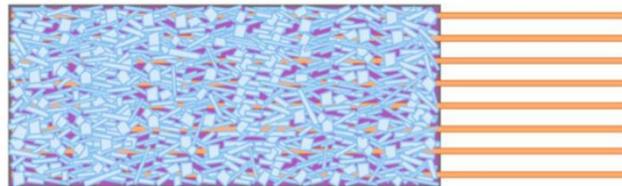
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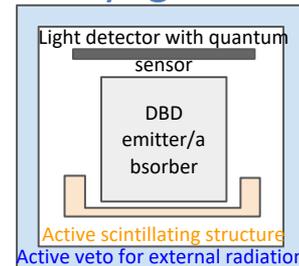
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GRANITA

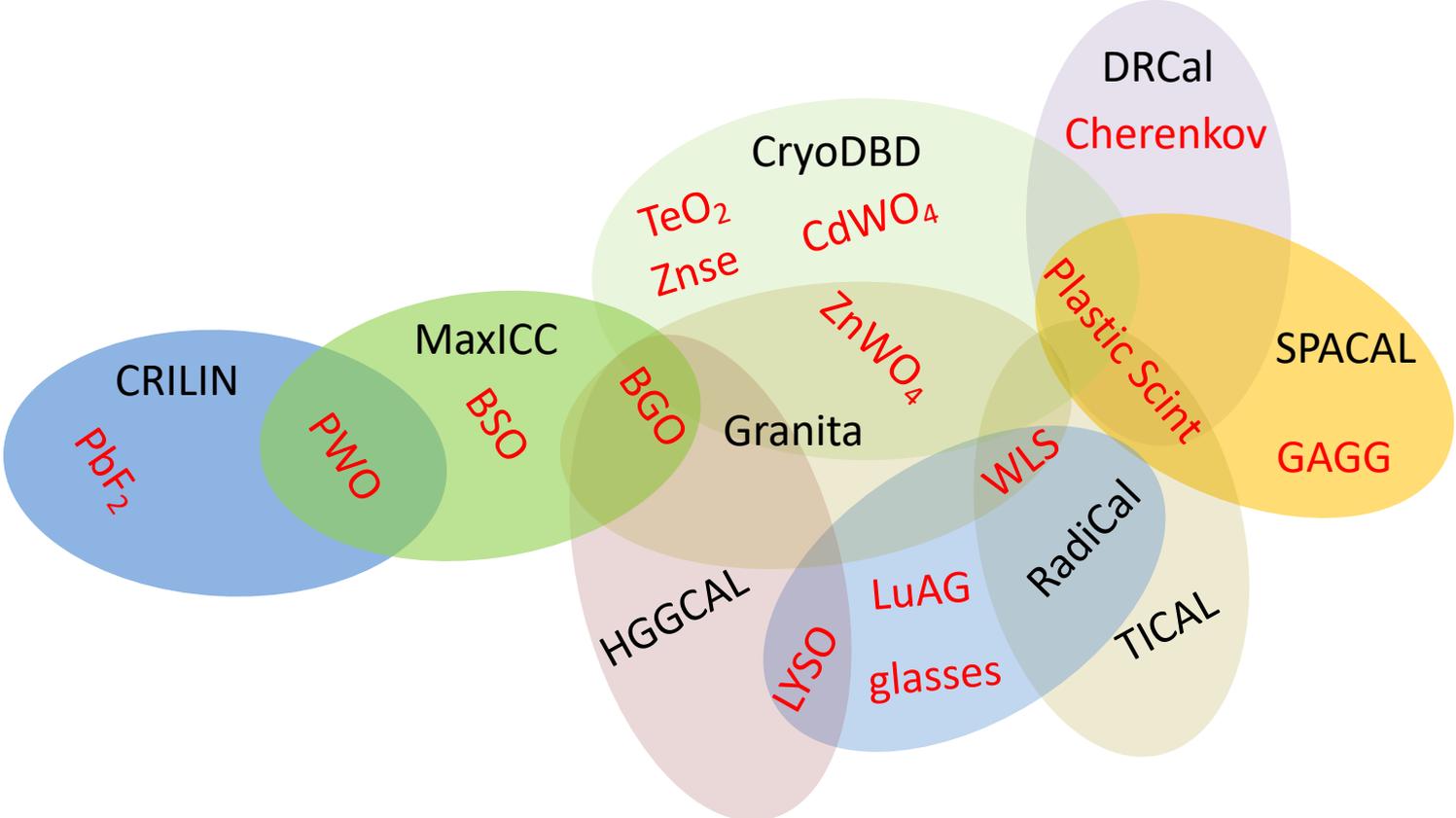


## Cryogenic calo





# Common scintillating materials between projects





# Overview of WP3 proposed calorimeter concepts

Project	Scintillator/WLS	Photodetector	DRDTs	Target
Task 3.1: Homogeneous and quasi-homogeneous EM calorimeters				
<b>HGCCAL</b>	BGO, LYSO	SiPMs	6.1, 6.2	$e^+e^-$
<b>MAXICC</b>	PWO, BGO, BSO	SiPMs	6.1, 6.2	$e^+e^-$
<b>Crilin</b>	PbF <sub>2</sub> , PWO-UF	SiPMs	6.2, 6.3	$\mu^+\mu^-$
Task 3.2: Innovative Sampling EM calorimeters				
<b>GRAiNITA</b>	ZnWO <sub>4</sub> , BGO	SiPMs	6.1, 6.2	$e^+e^-$
<b>SpaCal</b>	GAGG, organic	MCP-PMTs, SiPMs	6.1, 6.3	$e^+e^-/hh$
<b>RADiCAL</b>	LYSO, LuAG	SiPMs	6.1, 6.2, 6.3	$e^+e^-/hh$
Task 3.3: (EM+) Hadronic sampling calorimeters				
<b>DRCal</b>	PMMA, plastic	SiPMs, MCP	6.2	$e^+e^-$
<b>TileCal</b>	PEN, PET	SiPMs	6.2, 6.3	$e^+e^-/hh$
Task 3.4: Materials				
<b>ScintCal</b>	-	-	6.1, 6.2, 6.3	$e^+e^-/\mu^+\mu^-/hh$
<b>CryoDBD Cal</b>	TeO, ZnSe, LiMoO NaMoO, ZnMoO	n.a.	-	DBD experiments
	BGO, ZnWO <sub>4</sub> , CdWO <sub>4</sub> Plastic scint.			

All based on inorganic or organic scintillators



# Main Requirements

- **Fast and radiation-hard organic and inorganic scintillators:**  
SPACAL, RADICAL, CRILIN, TICAL  
+ any calorimeter based on scintillators in high radiation environment
- **Radiation-hard wavelength shifters**  
RADICAL, TICAL,  
+ any calorimeter using wavelength shifters in high radiation environment
- **Dense**  
MAXICC, HGCCAL, GRANITA; CryoDBDcal
- **Exploitation Scintillation and Cherenkov**  
MAXICC, DRCal
- **Cost-effective inorganic scintillators:**  
MAXICC, CRILIN; HGCCAL, GRANITA, Radical, SPACAL, CryoDBDcal
- **Ultrafast inorganic scintillators for ultrafast calorimetry**

=> Common R&D between calorimeter projects and ScintCAL subtask



# Ongoing Development

- R&D on garnet materials: YAG, LuAG, GAGG, LuGAGG, GYAG, etc..  
⇒ Accelerate decay time and preserving radiation hardness
- R&D on exploitation Cherenkov in scintillating materials
  - Improve transmission in UV
  - Investigation of the readout of both signal
- R&D on crossluminescence for fast timing calorimeter and time tagger
- R&D on radiation hard plastic  
**Synergy with DRD4-WP5 => need to work together**
- R&D on radiation hard wavelength shifters
- R&D of scintillating glasses or Ceramics

*Need UV photodetectors  
=> DRD4 development*

*Explore new developments  
with nanocomposite  
scintillators*

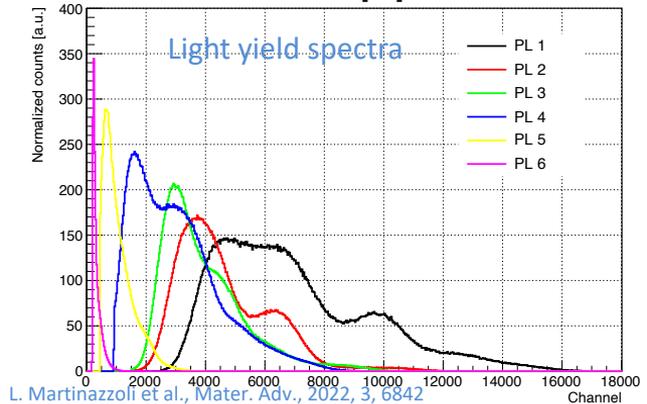
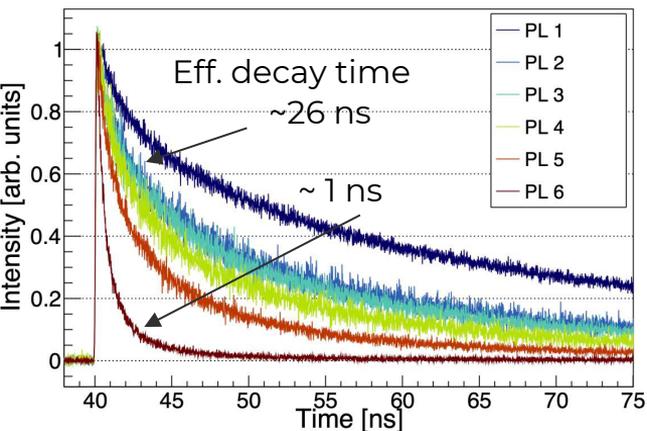


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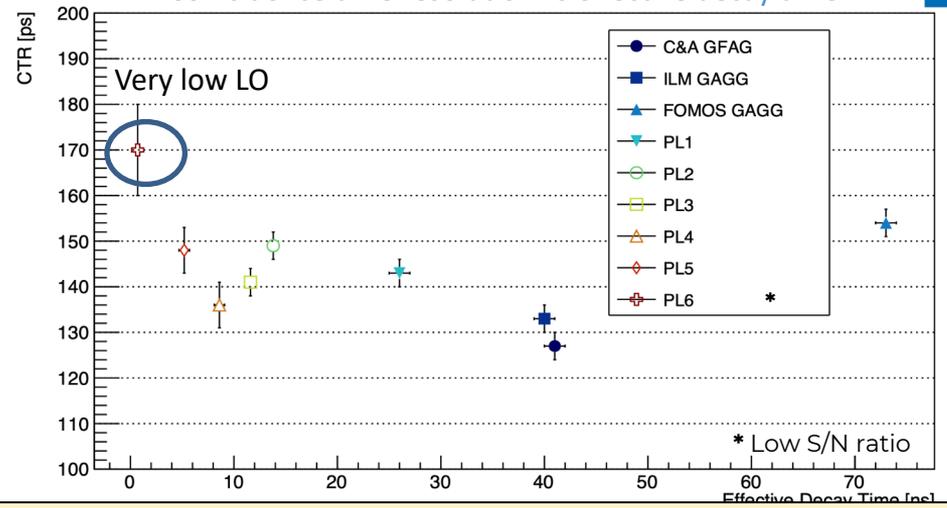


Heavy co-doping  $Ce^{3+}/Mg^{2+}$

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

R&D on going in different groups for define optimal composition and production

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



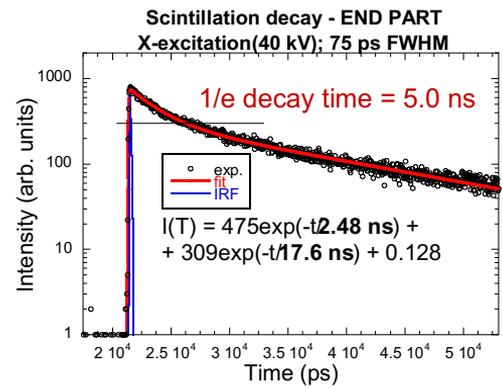
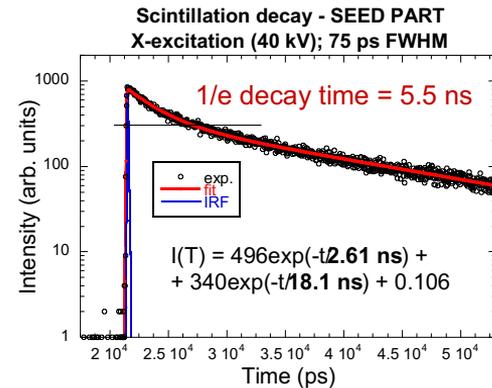
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First results obtained by Crytur Company

Produced by Crytur, Czochralsky Method

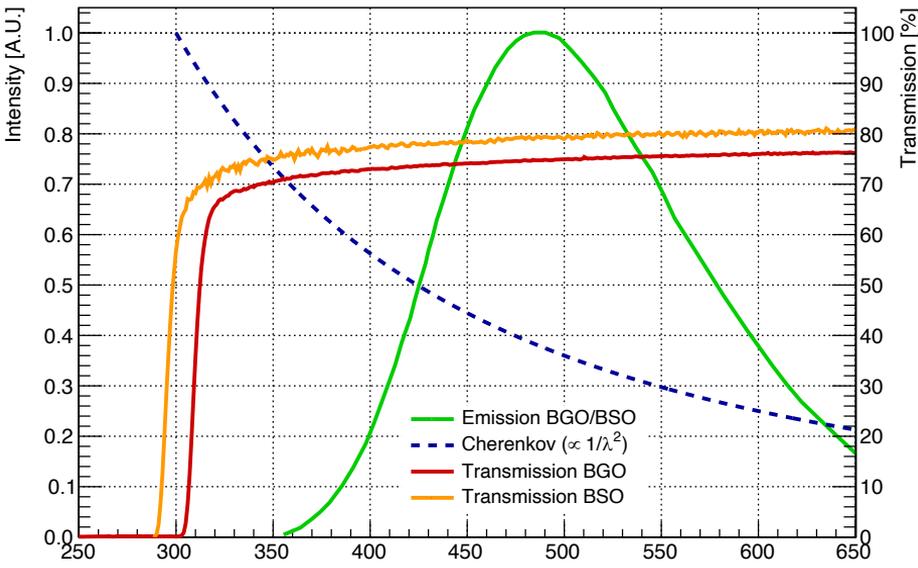


Measured by FZU, M. Nikl

No slow component, decay time below 10ns!

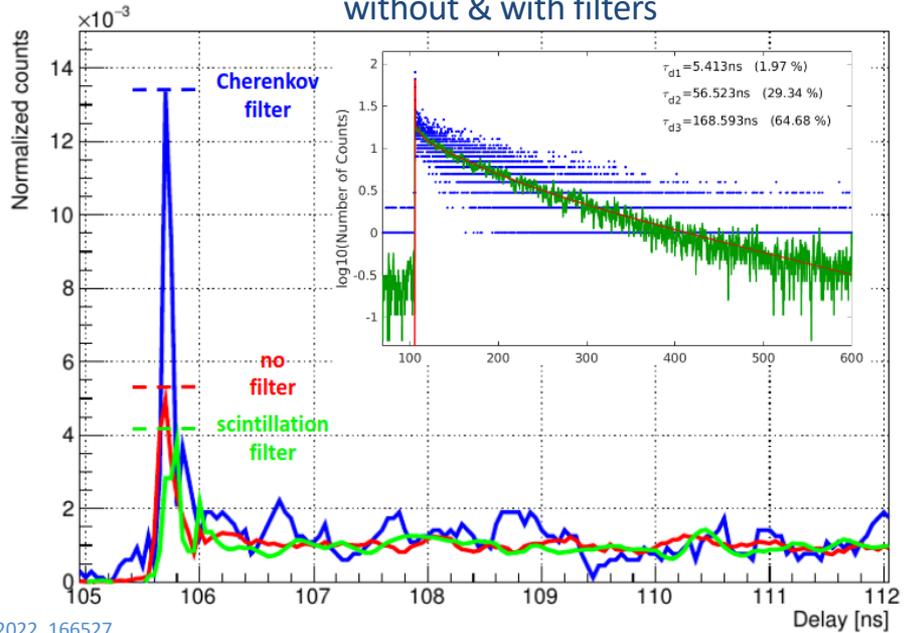
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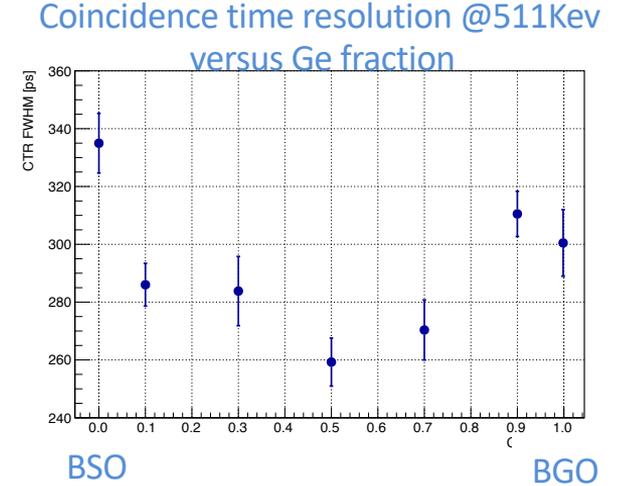
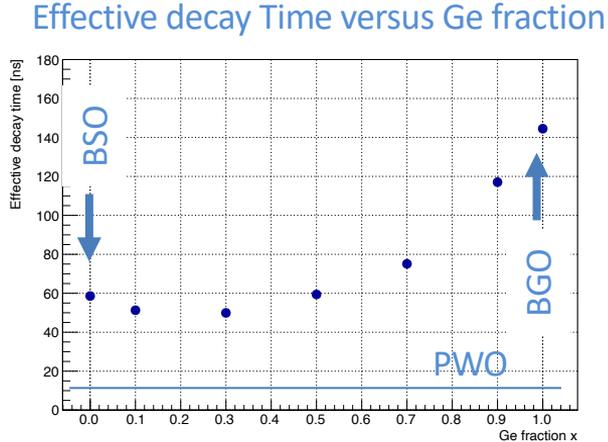
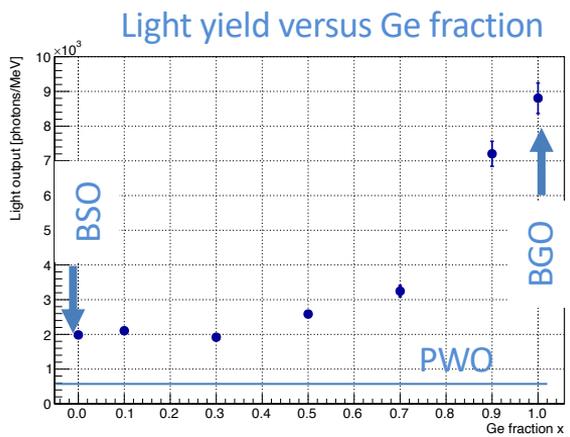
### BGO and BSO



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

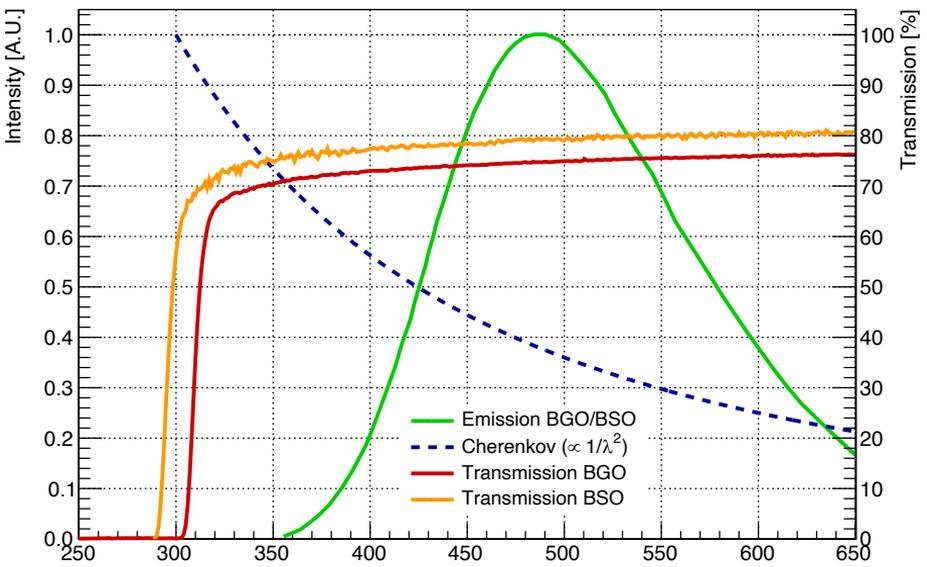




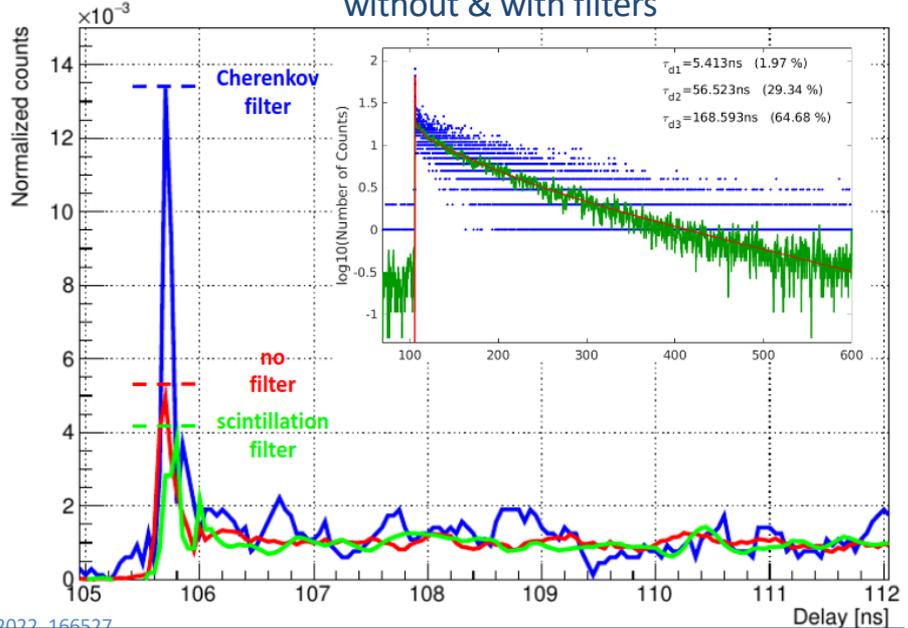
BSO (BGSO) may be a good candidate for Dual Readout:  
Better transmission in UV than PWO and BGO (higher Cherenkov among),  
better Light Yield than PWO and faster than BGO  
*R&D on production on going*

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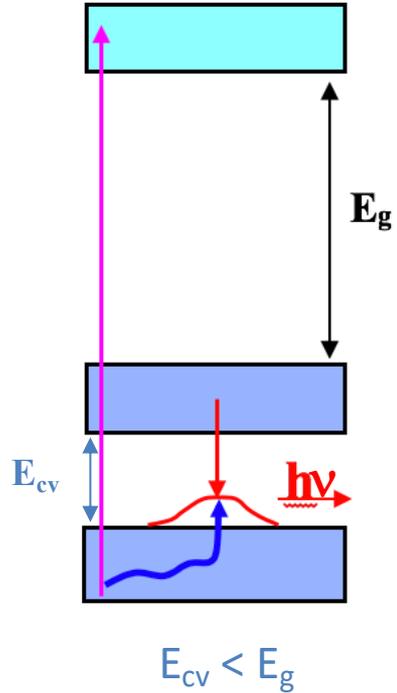
R&D on going to optimise:  
 readout separation Cherenkov & scintillation with filters and/or pulse discrimination  
 Can we find/develop other dense scintillators with better transmission in UV for higher Cherenkov light collection



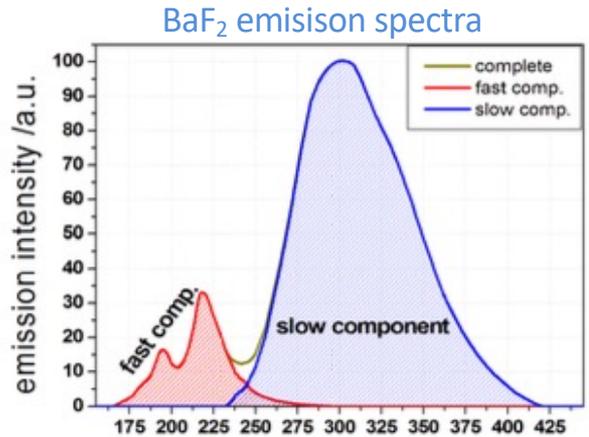
# Crossluminescence material



Radiative transition between the core- and valence bands.

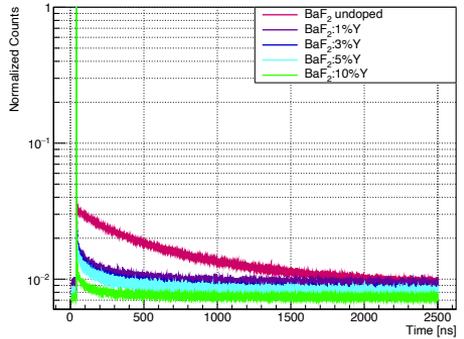


Very fast emission < 2ns  
but generally in UV emission



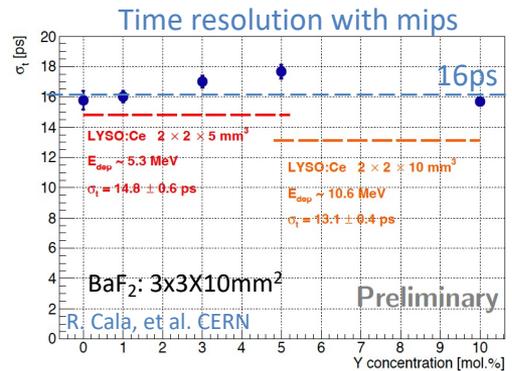
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Decay time spectra



R&D to suppress the slow component in BaF<sub>2</sub> by doping

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



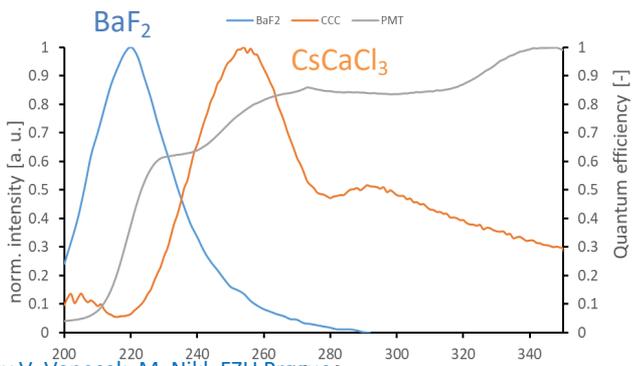
J. Chen, et al., IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 65, no. 8, pp. 2147-2151, 2018.  
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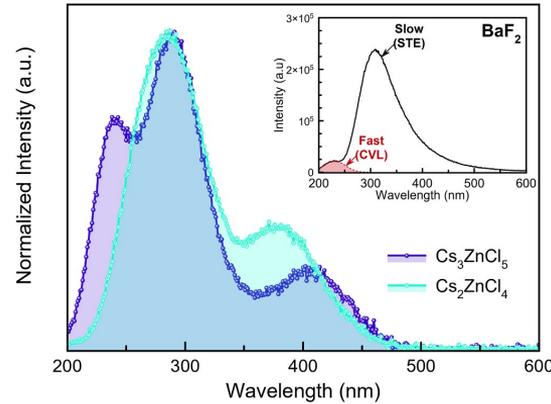
# Crossluminescence recent Developments

## R&D to shift the emission in UV Visible

Emission spectra

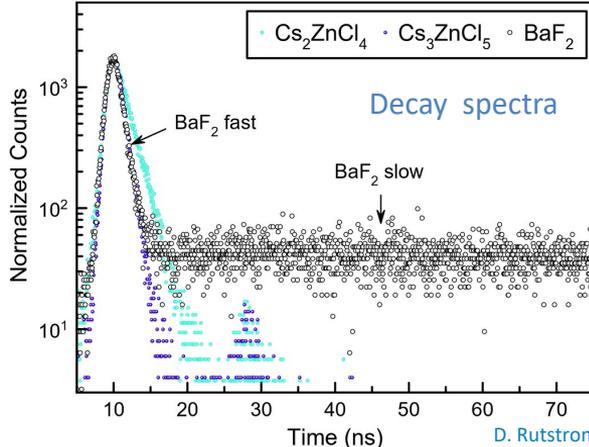
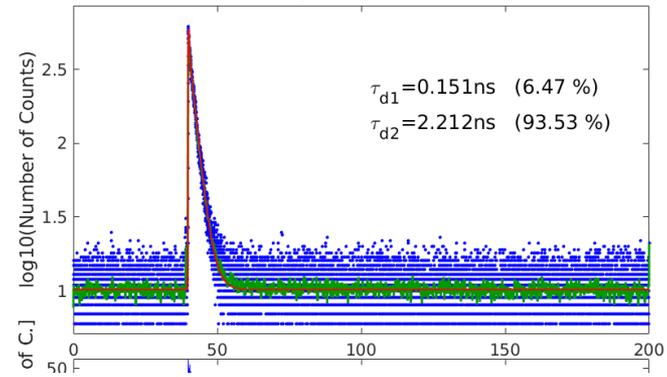


Emission spectra



Other materials investigated by other groups

Courtesy V. Vanecek, M. Nikl, FZU Prague  
Data for BaF<sub>2</sub> from M. Laval et al., NIM Phys. Res., 206 (1983) 169–176



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

D. Rutstrom et al, Optical Materials 133 (2022) 112912

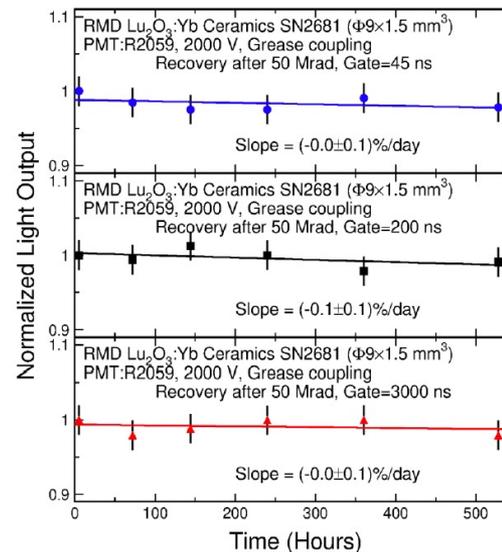
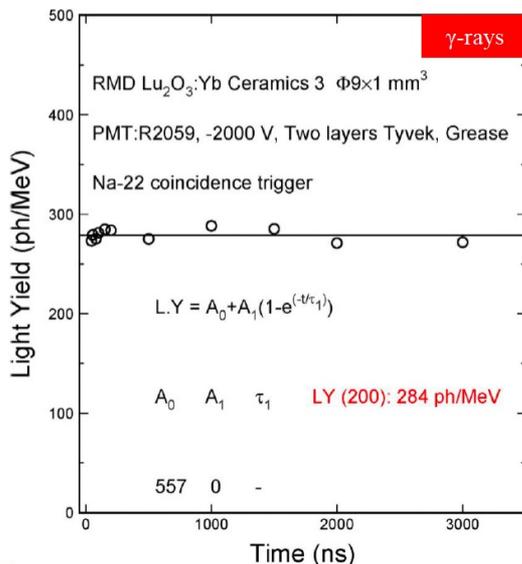
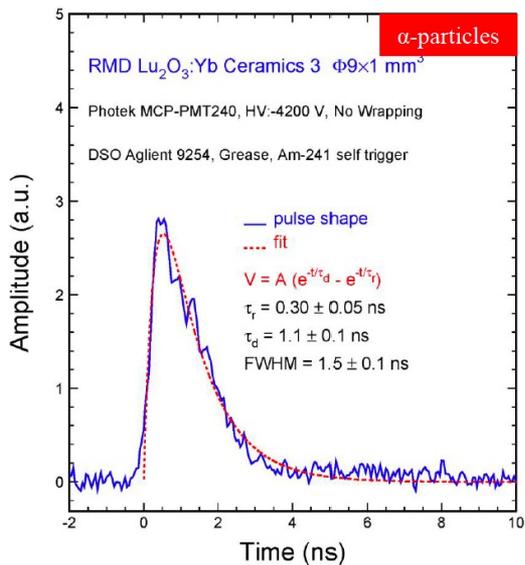


# Development of Fast Ceramics

## Novel $\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$ Ceramics



Presented in the NSS2022 conference [https://www.its.caltech.edu/~rzhu/talks/NSS22\\_N21-03.pdf](https://www.its.caltech.edu/~rzhu/talks/NSS22_N21-03.pdf)



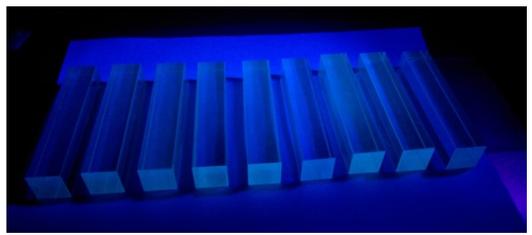
$\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$  ceramic of 9.4 g/cc shows an ultrafast decay time of 1.1 ns by Am-241 with negligible slow component observed in integrated light output measurement



# Development on Scintillating Glasses

- 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



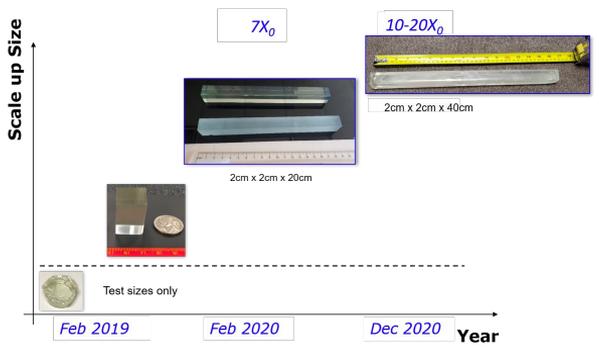
Industrial development via  
ScintiGlass: Attract project  
with Preciosa Company



V. Dormenv et al, NIMA, 1015, 2022, 165762

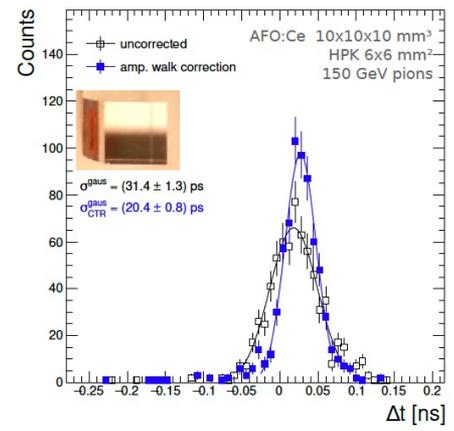
E. Auffray, 10/04/2024

## EIC R&D: eRD105 (SciGlass)



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

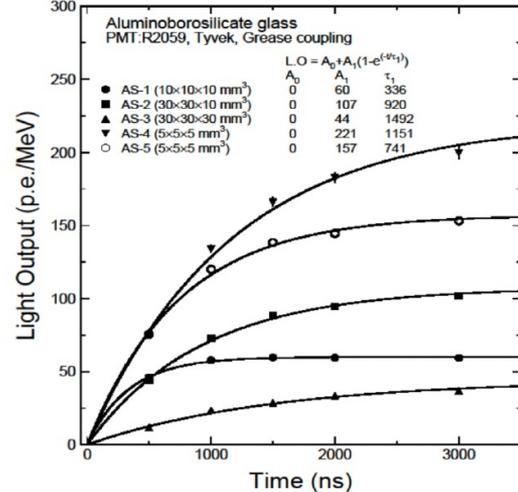
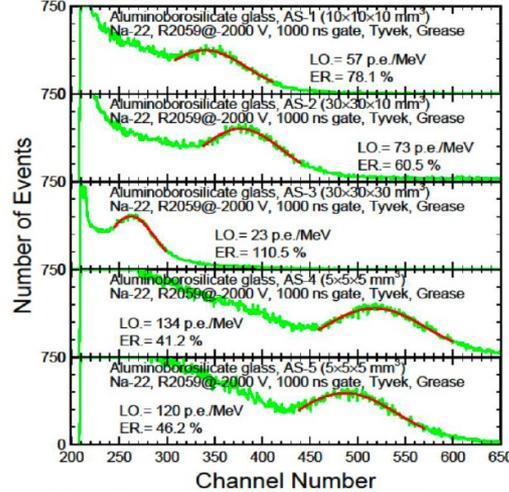
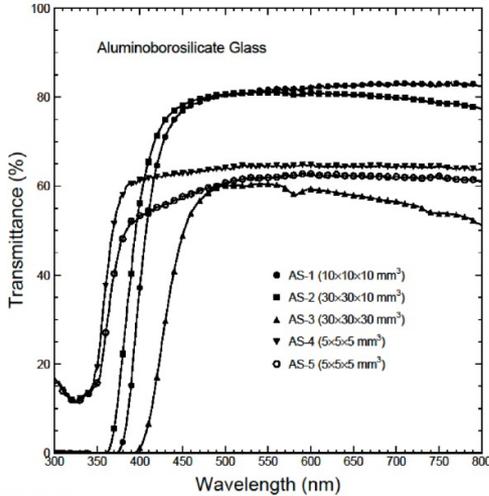
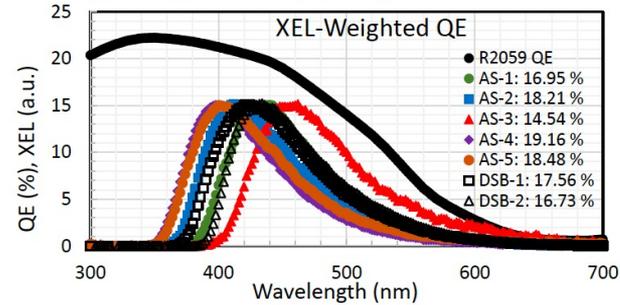
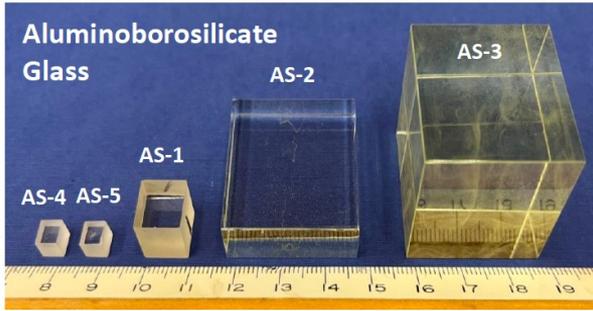
## Fluorophosphate AFO glasses Timing resolution with mip



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

# Development on Scintillating Glasses

## ABS ( $B_2O_3-SiO_2-Al_2O_3-Gd_2O_3-Ce_2O_3$ ) Glass

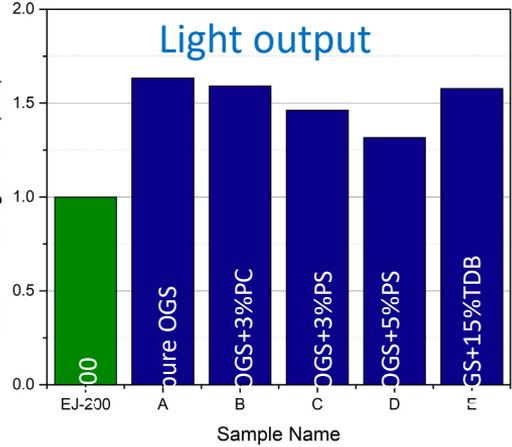
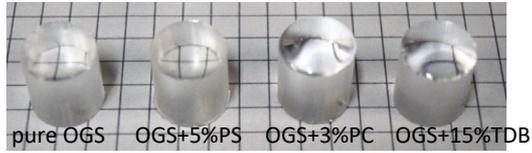




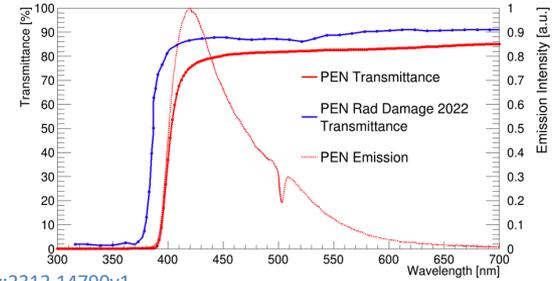
# R&D for Organic Scintillators

## Polyethylene Naphtalate(PEN)

### Organic glasses developed in Sendai National lab



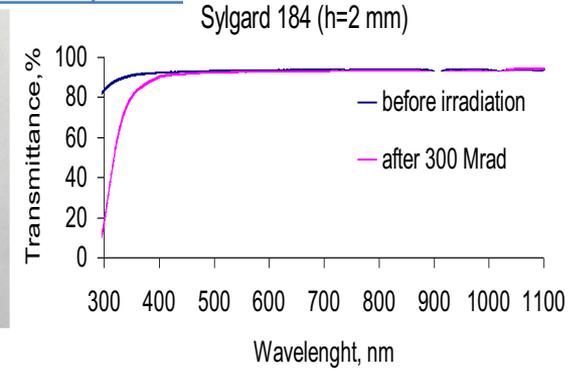
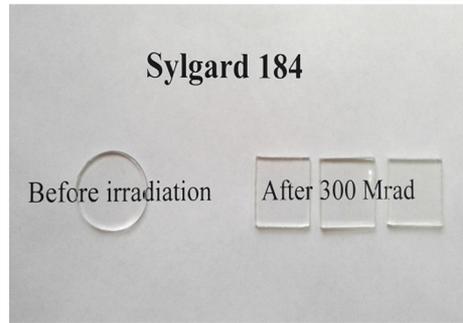
From L. Q. Nguyen et al., NIMA 1036 (2022) 166835



P. Conde Muino et al., arXiv:2312.14790v1

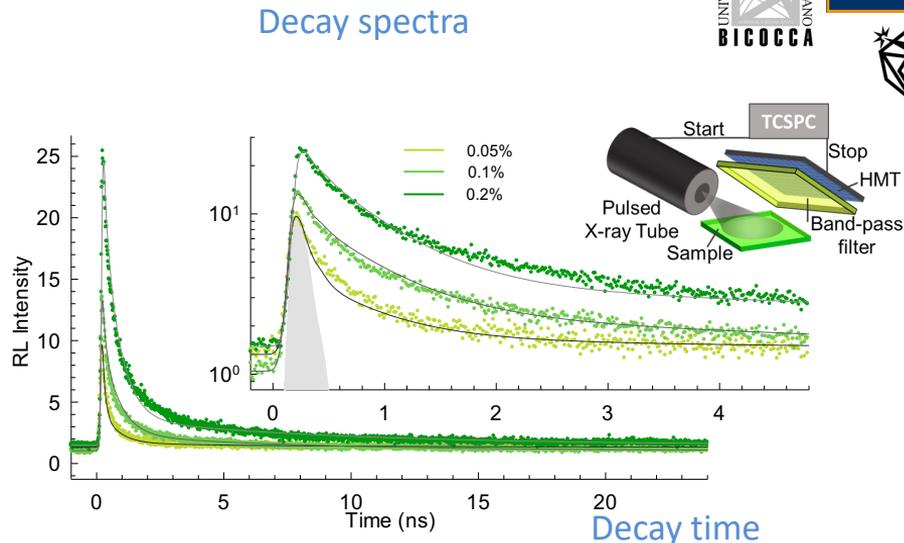
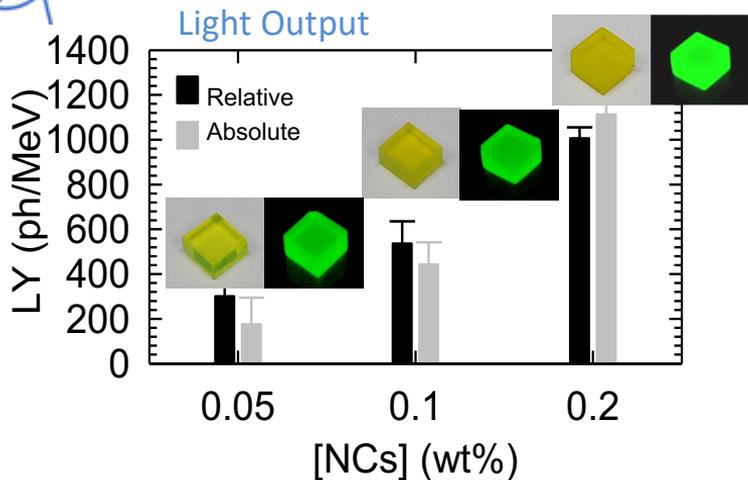
## Polysiloxane materials

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



See also A. Boyarintsev NIMA 930, 2019, 180–184  
A. Quaranta et al. NIM B, 268, Issue 19, 2010, Pages 3155–3159

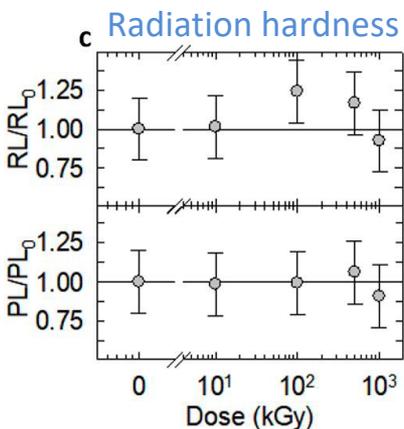
Courtesy A Boyarintsev, ISMA, Kharkiv



[NC] (wt %)	Pro	t <sub>1</sub>		t <sub>2</sub>	
	mpt	R <sub>p</sub>	R <sub>1</sub>	ns	R <sub>2</sub>
0.05	0.30	0.37	0.61	0.33	22
0.1	0.32	0.21	0.62	0.47	8.7
0.2	0.34	0.22	0.60	0.44	6.8

Very fast emission

No degradation up to 1 MGy





# R&D on Wavelength Shifters

Some examples of studied wavelength shifters in RADICAL subtask

Example Scintillator Material (wavelength, type)	Candidate Matched Wavelength Shifter (wavelength, type)
LYSO:Ce (420nm) inorganic crystal	DSB1 (495nm) organic filament
LYSO:Ce (420nm) inorganic crystal	LuAG:Ce (510nm) ceramic filament
LuAG: Ce (510 nm) crystal, ceramic	Quantum Dots (580nm) glass or ceramic
LuAG:Pr (310 nm) crystal, ceramic	pTP (350nm) organic filament
CeF <sub>3</sub> (330nm) crystal	pTP (350nm) organic filament
CeF <sub>3</sub> (330nm) crystal	Flavonols (530-560nm) organic filament
Lu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :Yb (370nm) ceramic	Flavonols (530-560nm) organic filament
BaF <sub>2</sub> :Y (220nm, fast component) crystal	TBD



# Conclusion

- Many developments on scintillators are ongoing
  - ⇒ Need input/requirements from all the subtasks to direct the research
- Common family of materials planned to be used by various subtasks
  - ⇒ Need to mutualise the effort R&D on these materials
- Need multidisciplinary expertise
  - Crystal growth, material, scintillation, instrumentation
- Synergy with other DRDs
  - ⇒ DRD4 for radiation hard plastic scintillators
  - ⇒ DRD5 for nanomaterials
    - ⇒ Need to communicate and work together