

# Neutrino Masses



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# Topics

## Neutrino properties

- status
- open questions
- anomalies

## Experimental methods

- neutrinoless double beta decay searches
- direct neutrino mass measurements
- cosmology

## Status and perspectives

## Conclusions

# Present status of $\nu$ Physics

## What we know:

- neutrinos are massive fermions
- there are 3 active neutrino flavors ( $\nu_\alpha$ )
- neutrino flavor states are mixtures of mass states ( $\nu_k$ )

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k} |\nu_k\rangle$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Atmospheric /  
Accelerator

Reactor /  
Accelerator

Solar /  
Reactor

Precision measurements of neutrino parameters:  
available and ongoing

NuFIT 1.1 (2013)

	Free Fluxes + RSBL		Huber Fluxes, no RSBL	
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.306^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	0.271 $\rightarrow$ 0.346	$0.313^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	0.277 $\rightarrow$ 0.355
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.57^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$	31.38 $\rightarrow$ 36.01	$34.03^{+0.81}_{-0.77}$	31.78 $\rightarrow$ 36.56
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.437^{+0.061}_{-0.031}$	0.357 $\rightarrow$ 0.654	$0.436^{+0.047}_{-0.032}$	0.356 $\rightarrow$ 0.653
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$41.4^{+3.5}_{-1.8}$	36.7 $\rightarrow$ 54.0	$41.3^{+2.7}_{-1.8}$	36.6 $\rightarrow$ 53.9
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.0231^{+0.0023}_{-0.0022}$	0.0161 $\rightarrow$ 0.0299	$0.0252^{+0.0022}_{-0.0023}$	0.0181 $\rightarrow$ 0.0320
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.75^{+0.42}_{-0.44}$	7.29 $\rightarrow$ 9.96	$9.13^{+0.40}_{-0.42}$	7.73 $\rightarrow$ 10.31
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$341^{+58}_{-46}$	0 $\rightarrow$ 360	$345^{+77}_{-46}$	0 $\rightarrow$ 360
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.45^{+0.19}_{-0.16}$	6.98 $\rightarrow$ 8.05	$7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	7.03 $\rightarrow$ 8.08
$\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$ (N)	$+2.421^{+0.022}_{-0.023}$	+2.248 $\rightarrow$ +2.612	$+2.429^{+0.029}_{-0.027}$	+2.256 $\rightarrow$ +2.635
$\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$ (I)	$-2.410^{+0.062}_{-0.063}$	-2.603 $\rightarrow$ -2.226	$-2.422^{+0.061}_{-0.063}$	-2.618 $\rightarrow$ -2.239

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

# Open Questions in $\nu$ Physics

## What is the absolute neutrino mass scale?

Is the lightest  $\nu$  massless? Hierarchical or degenerate?

## What is the neutrino mass ordering?

Normal ( $m_1 < m_2 \ll m_3$ ) or inverted ( $m_3 \ll m_1 < m_2$ )?

## Are neutrinos Dirac or Majorana particles?

Lepton number violation, neutrinoless double beta decays

Neutrinos could be the only “chargeless” fermions for which Majorana nature and **mass terms** would be possible

## What is the origin of neutrino masses and flavor mixing?

See saw mechanisms, flavor symmetries, ...

## Is there CP violation in the lepton sector?

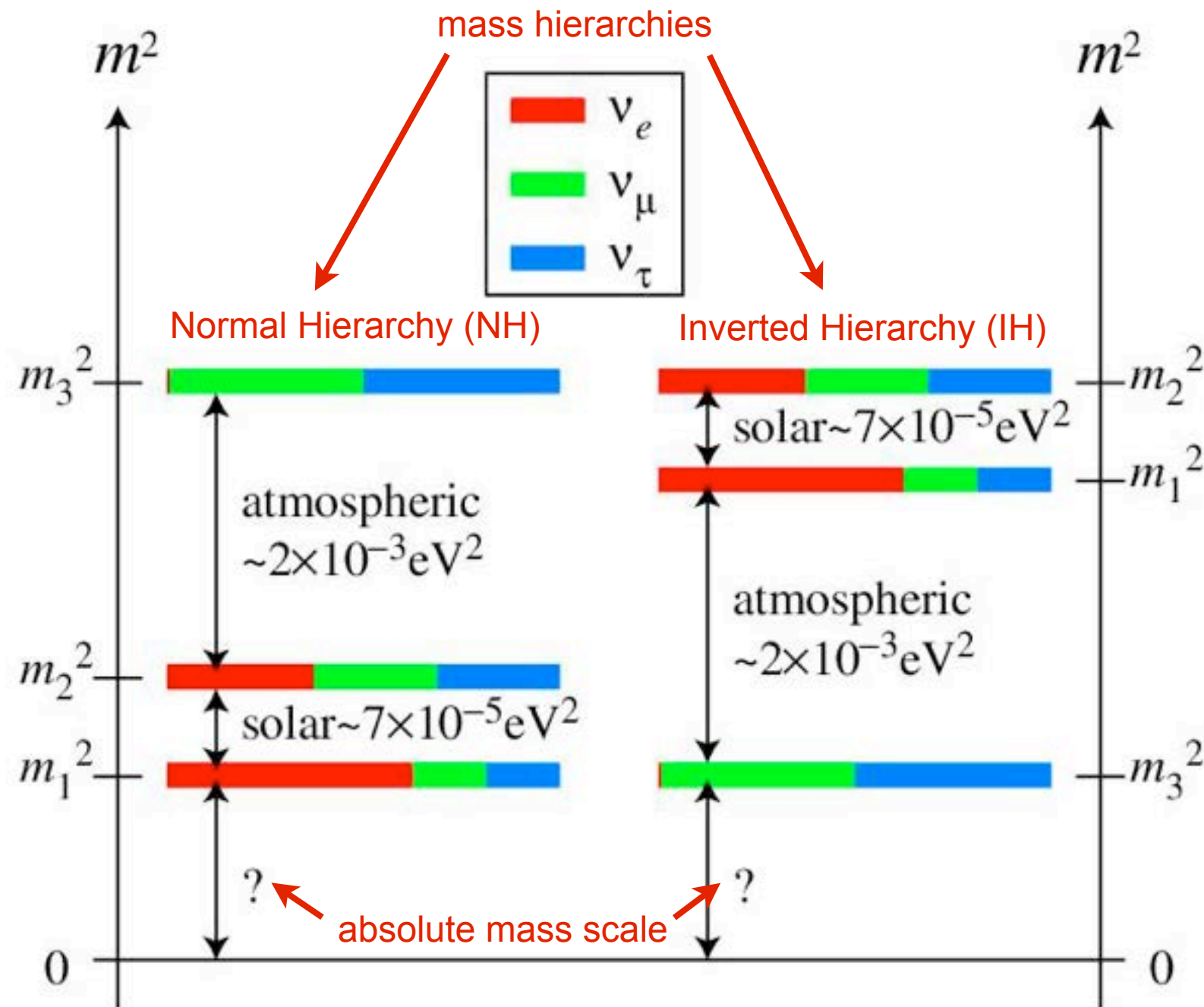
What is the value of the Dirac CP-violating phase  $\delta$ ?

- ▶ Neutrinos are important probes of the Standard Model limits
- ▶ Neutrino masses are intimately linked (directly or indirectly) to all the above questions

# Neutrino mass questions

Two main questions are directly related to neutrino masses:

1. absolute mass scale: i.e. mass of the lightest  $\nu$
2. degenerate ( $m_1 \approx m_2 \approx m_3$ ) or hierarchical masses ( $m_1 < m_2 \ll m_3$  or  $m_3 \ll m_1 < m_2$ )



- Neutrino oscillation experiments are blind to the first but can solve the second:  
**Daya Bay II, Reno II, T2K, Nova, LBNO, LBNE, PINGU, ORCA, ...**

# Anomalies and sterile neutrinos

## Anomalies are observed in data from

- past reactor oscillation experiments (reanalyzed)
- short baseline accelerator oscillation experiments (LSND, MiniBOONE)
- solar experiment calibration with neutrino sources (GALLEX)

## Call for 4<sup>th</sup> neutrino mass state $\nu_4$

→ **sterile neutrino**:  $\Delta m^2 \approx 1$  eV and  $\sin^2 2\theta \gtrsim 0.1$

- Sterile (Right Handed) neutrinos are a natural extension to the Standard Model ( $\nu$ MSM)
- Sterile neutrino in the keV mass range are perfect candidate as Warm Dark Matter (WDM) particles
- Sterile neutrinos are also obvious candidates for extra energy density (J.Hamann et al., PRL 105 (2010) 181301).

Assuming  $N$  additional ( $\sim$  degenerate) sterile states, 2 new hierarchical schemes are possible:



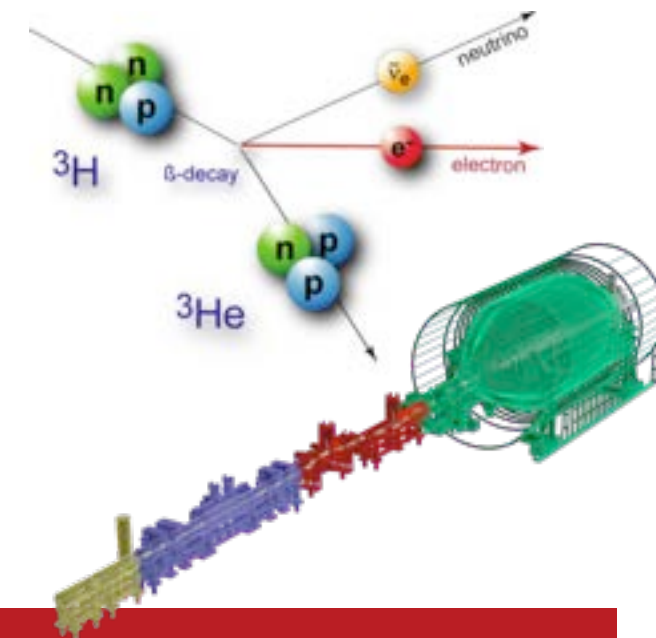
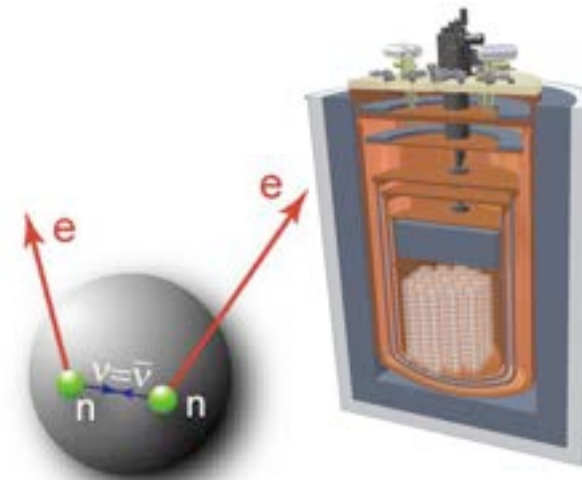
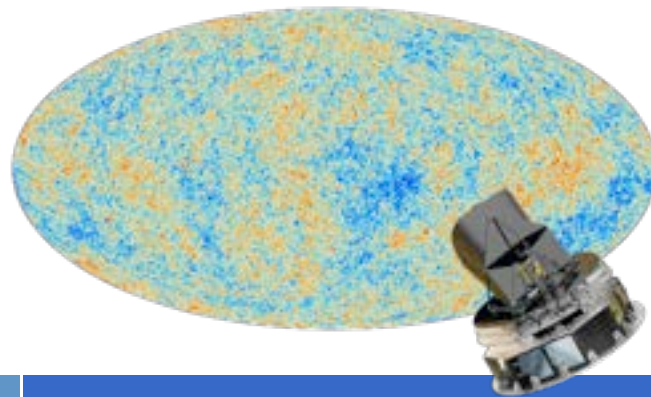
**Favored  $m_s$ :  $\sim 1$  eV**



# Experimental methods

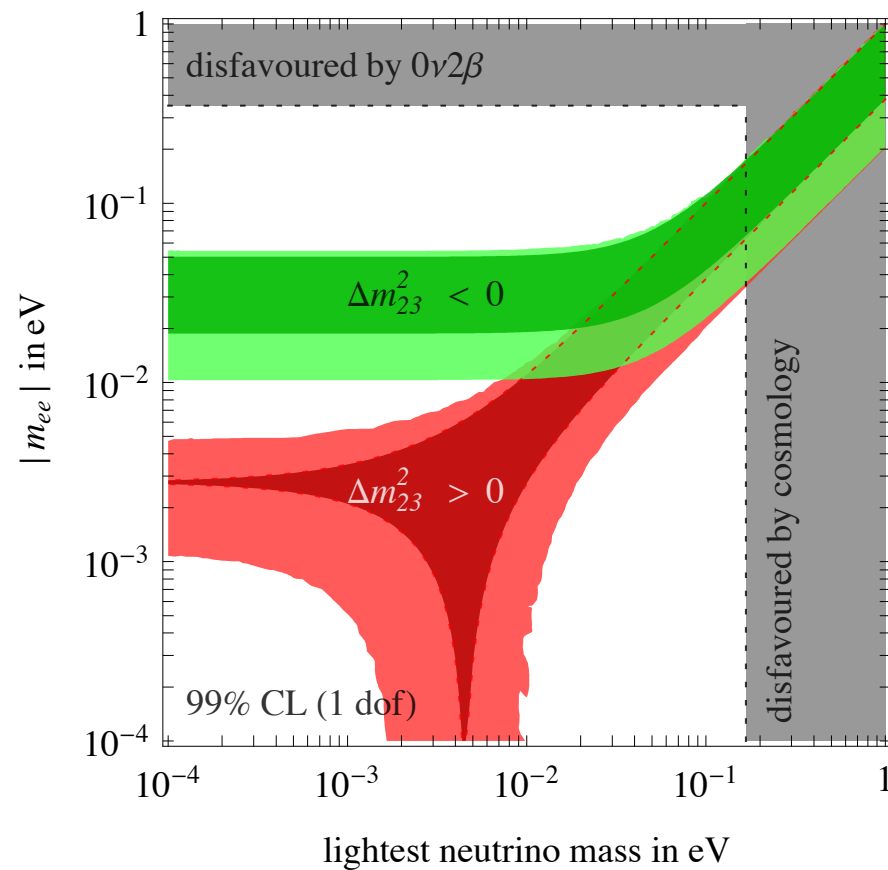
Three complementary tools available

- Different sensitivities
- Complementary pro and cons



	Cosmology (CMB+LSS+...)	Neutrinoless Double Beta decay	Beta decay end-point
observable	$m_{\Sigma} = \sum_k m_{\nu k}$	$m_{\beta\beta} =  \sum_k m_{\nu k} U_{ek}^2 $	$m_{\beta} = (\sum_k m_{\nu k}^2  U_{ek} ^2)^{1/2}$
present sensitivity	$\approx 0.1$ eV	$\approx 0.1$ eV	2 eV
future sensitivity	0.01 eV	0.01 eV	0.2 eV
model dependency	↓ yes	↓ yes	↑ no
systematics	↓ large	yes	↓ large

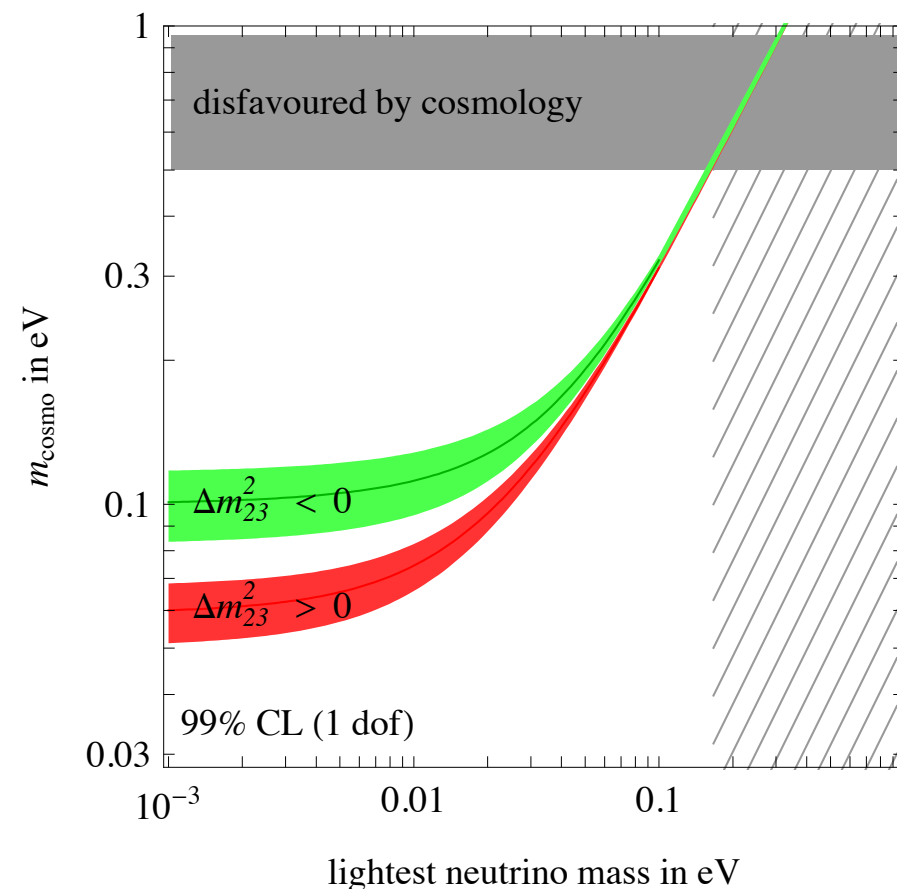
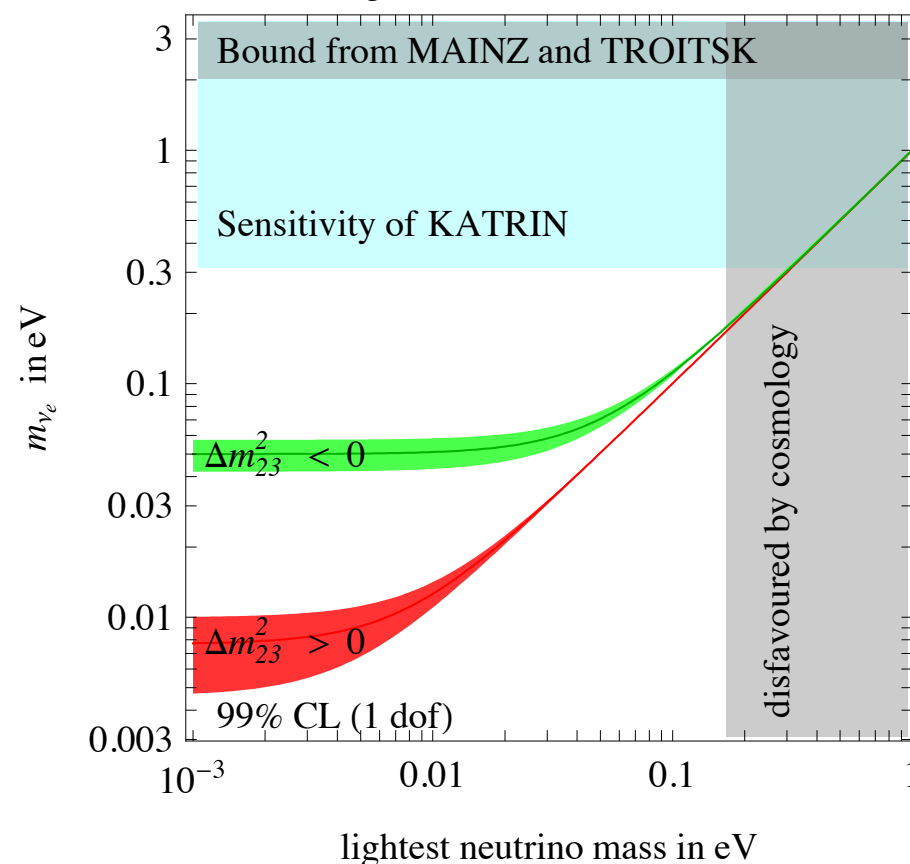
# Mass hierarchies



Experimental parameters are pictured as a function of the lightest mass eigenvalue:

- Normal Hierarchy
- Inverted Hierarchy

Bands arise from specific experimental and theoretical uncertainties)

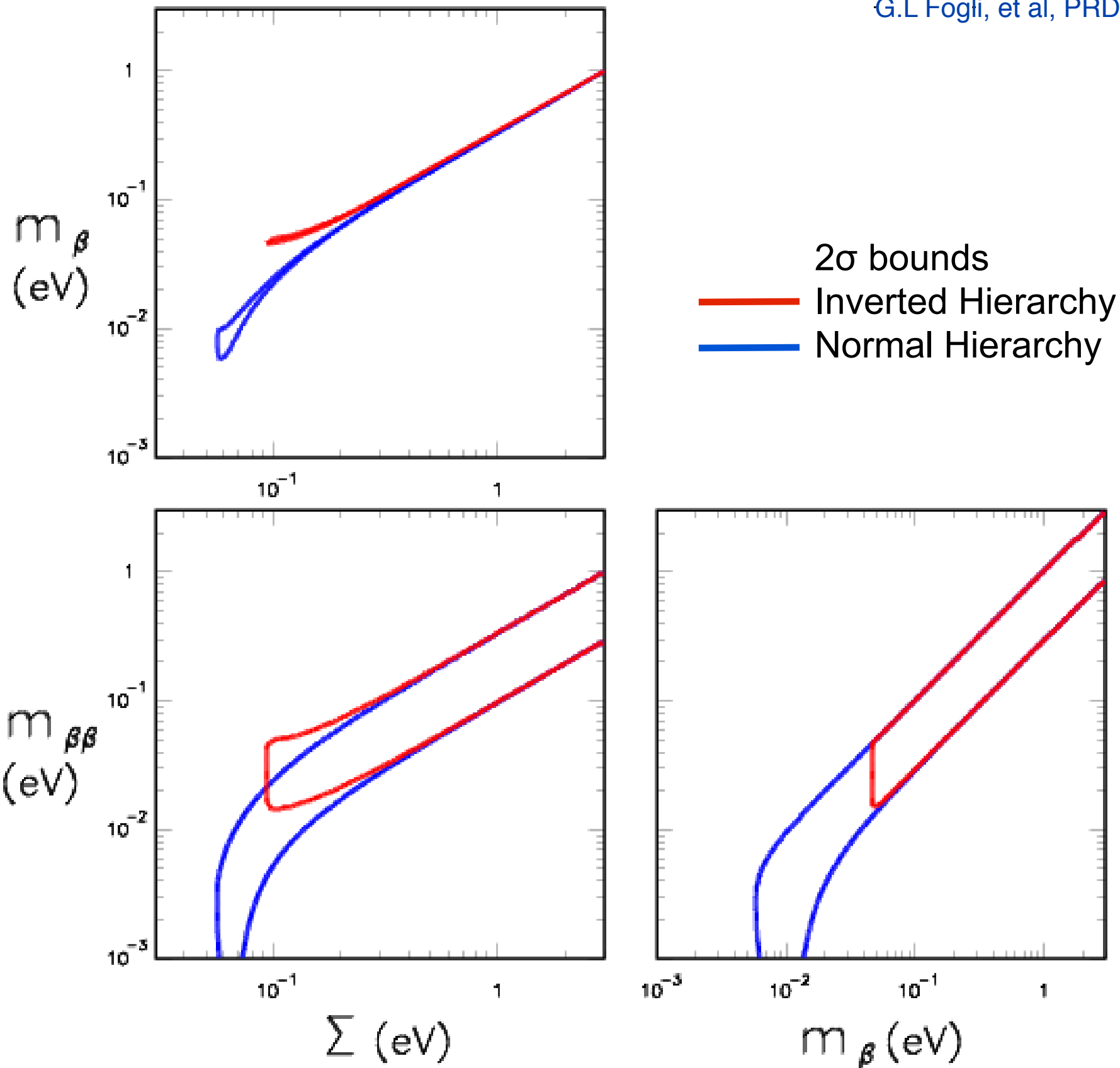


- S.Pascoli et al., arXiv: 0505226
- R.Mohapatra et al., arXiv: 0510213
- A.Strumia and F.Vissani, IFUP-TH/2004-1; arXiv: 0606054



# Combining/Comparing results

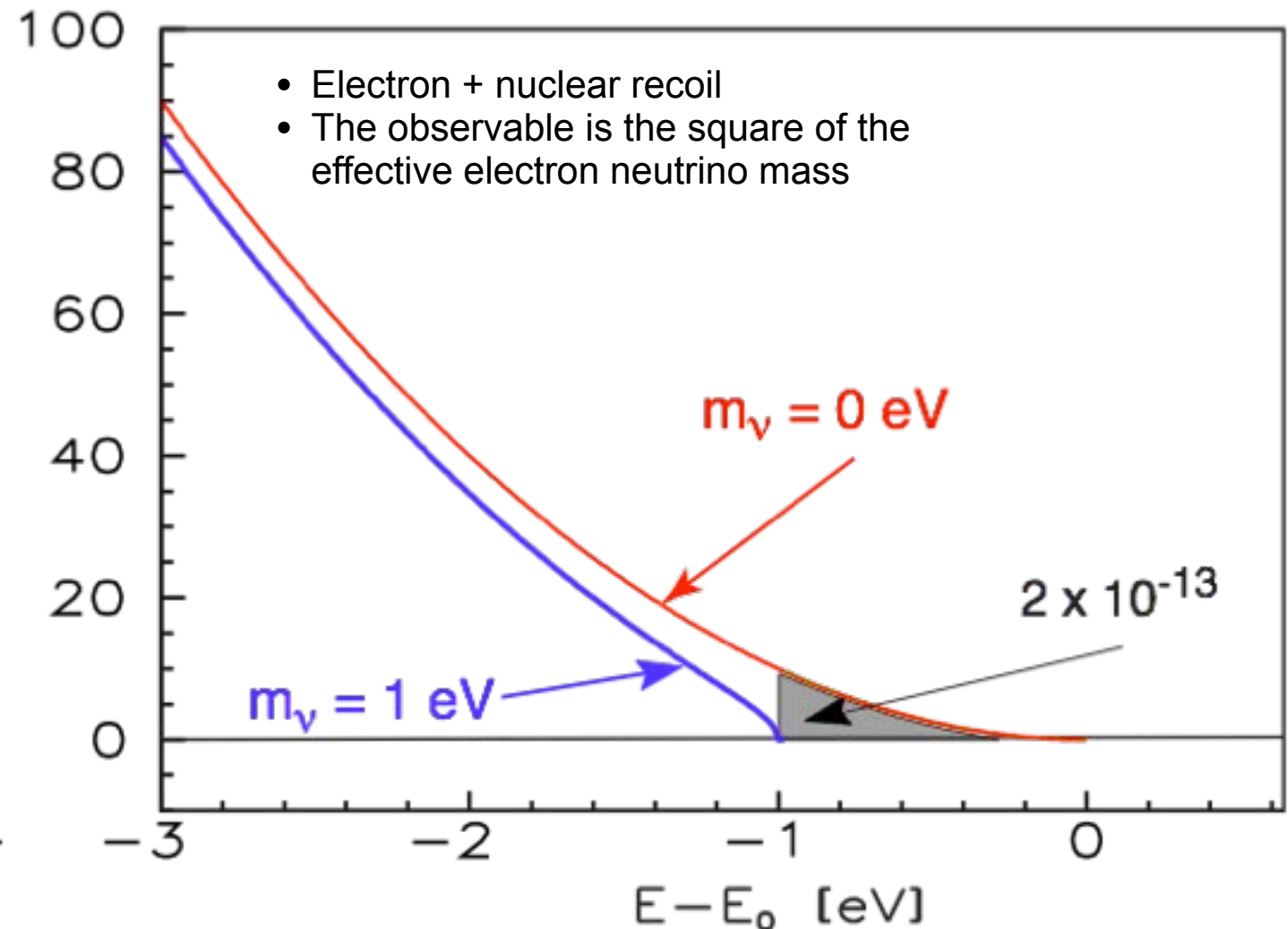
G.L Fogli, et al, PRD 78 033010 (2008), arXiv:hep-ph/0805.2517v3



# Direct measurements of neutrino mass

## Kinematics of weak decays

- nuclear beta decays
  - single beta ( ${}^3\text{H}$ ,  ${}^{187}\text{Re}$ , ...)
  - EC ( ${}^{163}\text{Ho}$ )
- use only energy and momentum conservation
- no further assumptions



## Time of flight measurements

- supernovae neutrinos
- use  $E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m_\nu^2 c^4$
- and hypothesis on emission time distribution
- sensitivity limited to  $\approx 1 \text{ eV}$  (SN1987  $\rightarrow m_\nu \lesssim 6 \text{ eV}$ )

# Experimental approaches

## Spectrometers: passive source

- **$\beta$  Source:**  $^3\text{H}$
- **$\beta$  analyzer:** differential or integral spectrometer:  $\beta$ 's from a fraction  $\delta E$  of the  $^3\text{H}$  spectrum are magnetically and/or electrostatically selected and transported to the counter
- **$\beta$  counter:** solid state

- ↑ high statistics
- ↑ high energy resolution
- ↓ large systematics
  - source effects
  - decays to excited states
- ↓ background

## Calorimeters: active source

- **$\beta$  Source:** low Q beta emitters
- **$\beta$  calorimeter:** ideally all the energy E released in the decay, except for the  $\nu_e$  energy, can be measured:

$$E=Q-E_\nu$$

- **$\beta$  counter:** solid state

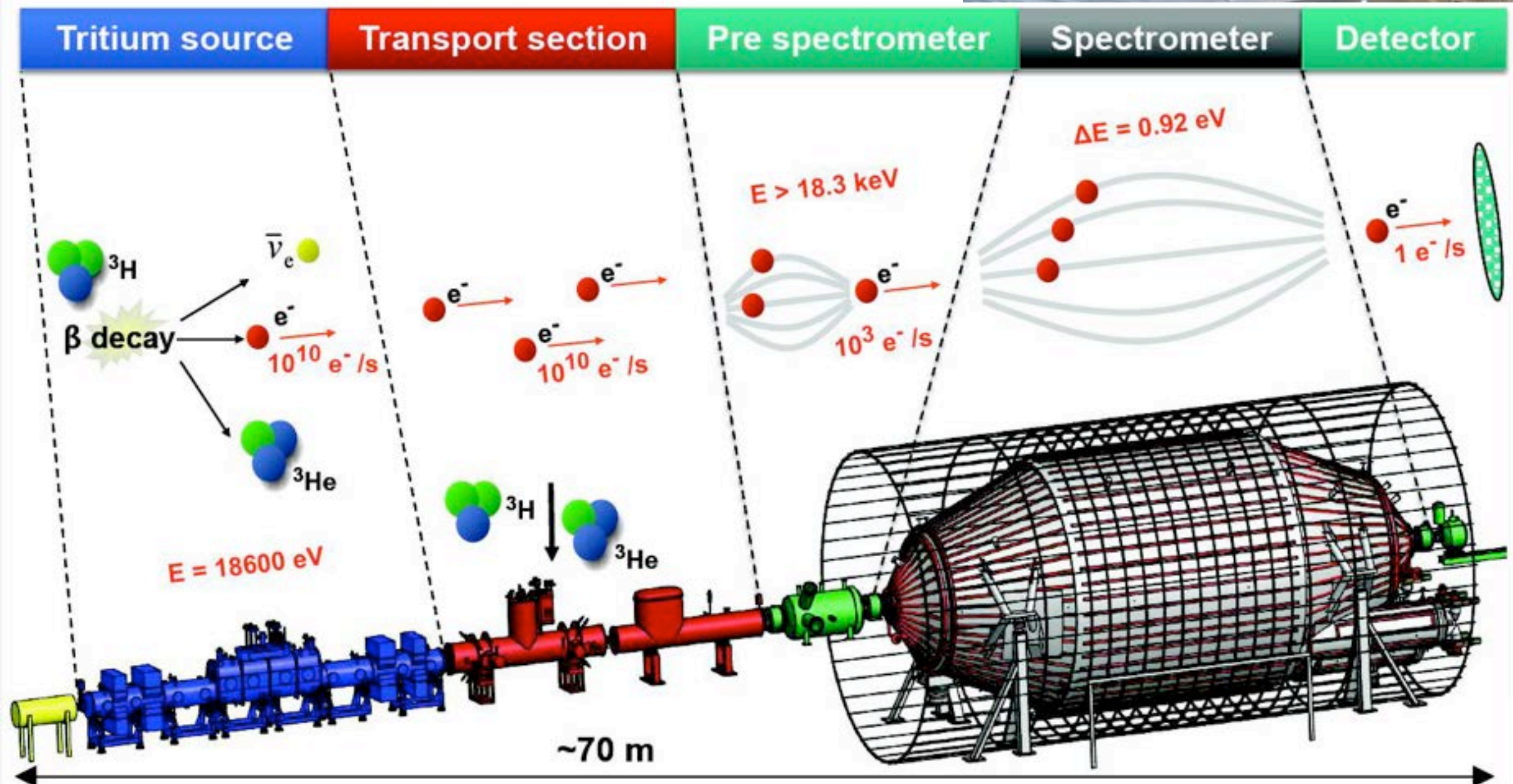
- ↑ no backscattering
- ↑ no energy losses in the source
- ↑ no atomic/molecular final state effects
- ↑ no solid state excitation
- ↓ limited statistics
- ↓ pile-up background
- ↓ spectrum related systematics



# KATRIN

→talk M.Haag

- Large electrostatic spectrometer with gaseous  $^3\text{H}$  source (Q=18.6keV)
- Expected statistical sensitivity:  $m_{\nu_e} < 0.2 \text{ eV } 90\% \text{ CL}$
- Start data taking in **2014/2015**
- **Presently under commissioning**



# KATRIN sensitivity

sensitivity:

$$m_\nu < 0.2\text{eV (90\%CL)}$$

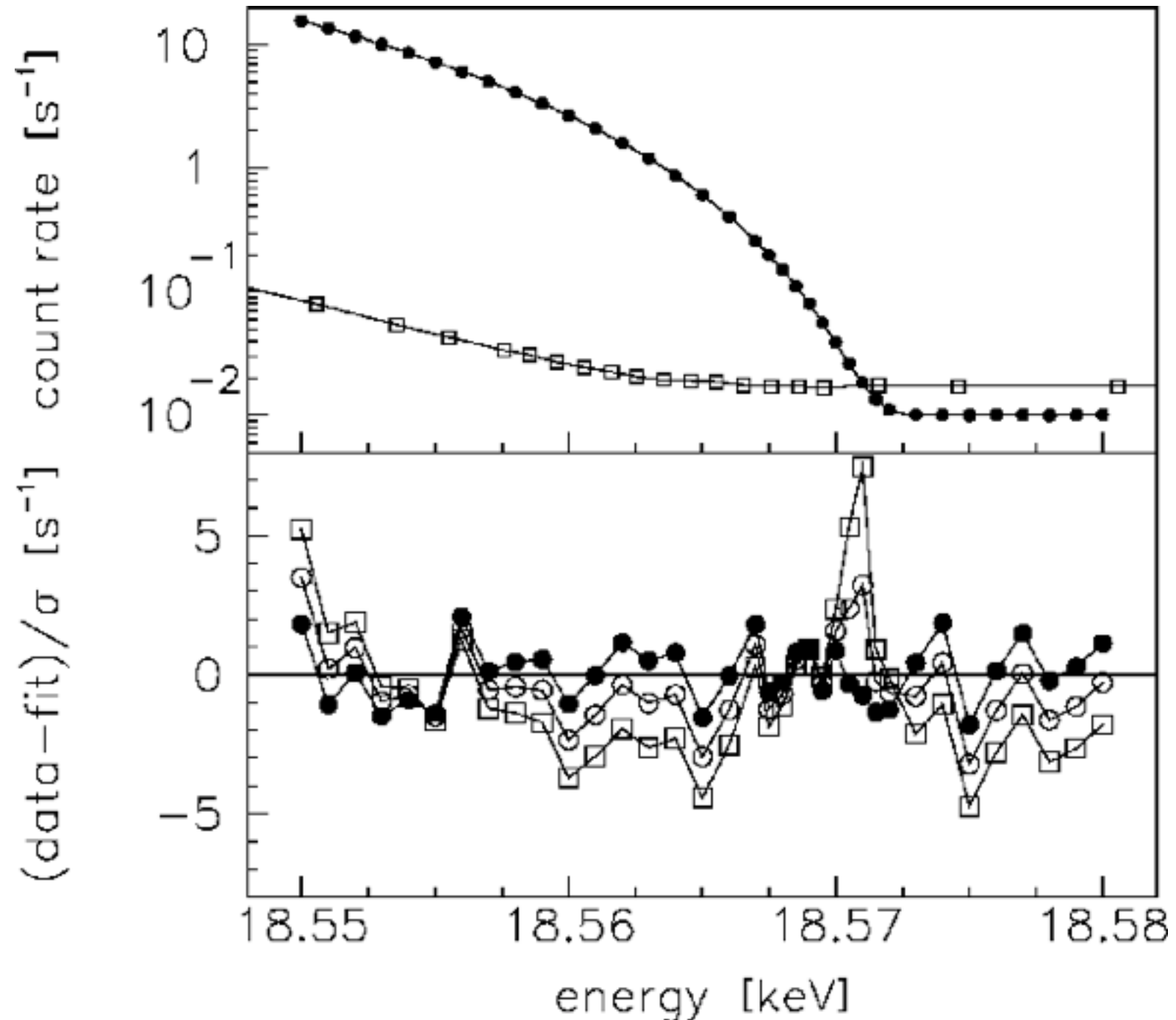
discovery potential:

$$m_\nu = 0.3\text{eV (3}\sigma)$$

$$m_\nu = 0.35\text{eV (5}\sigma)$$

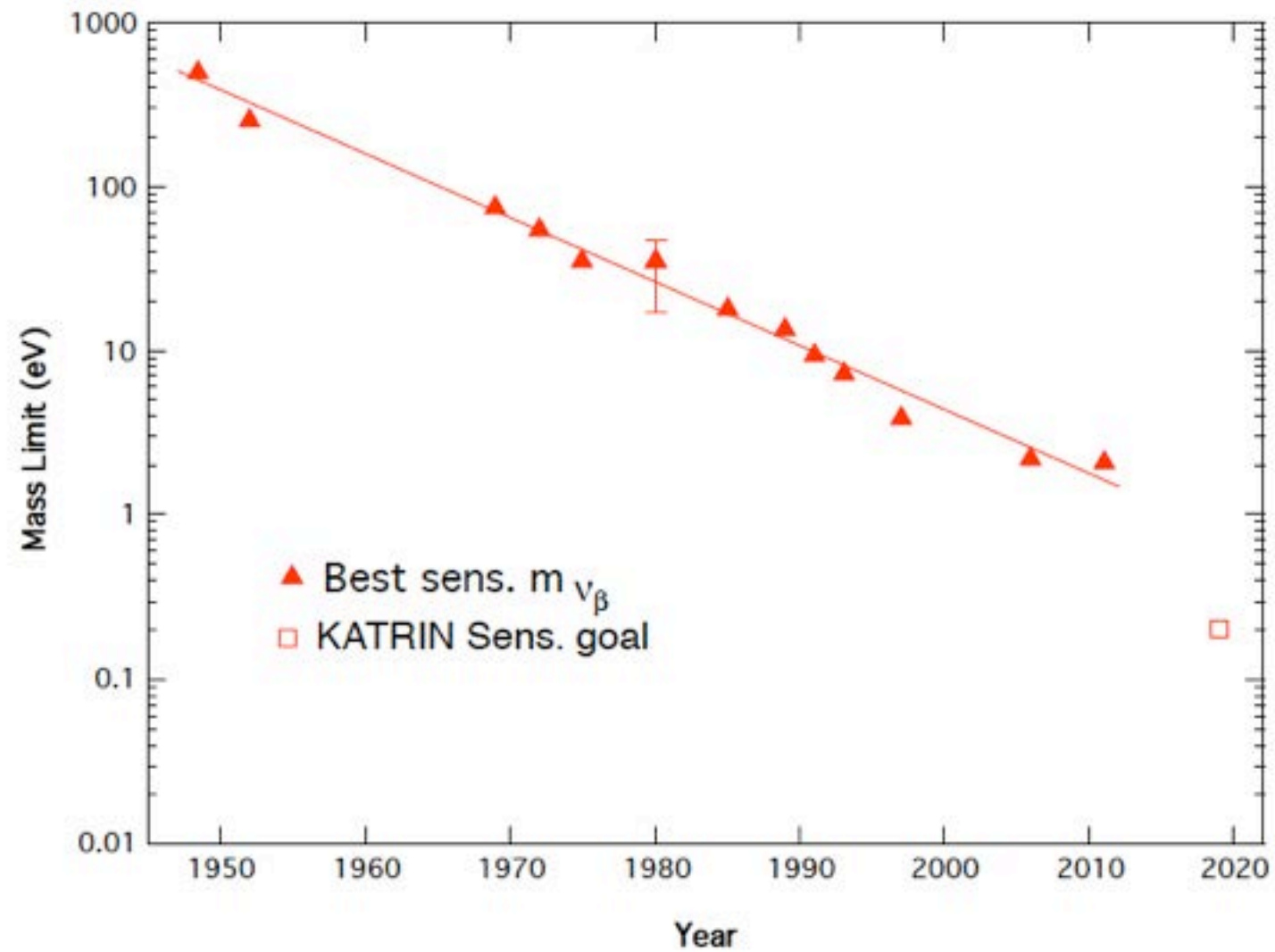
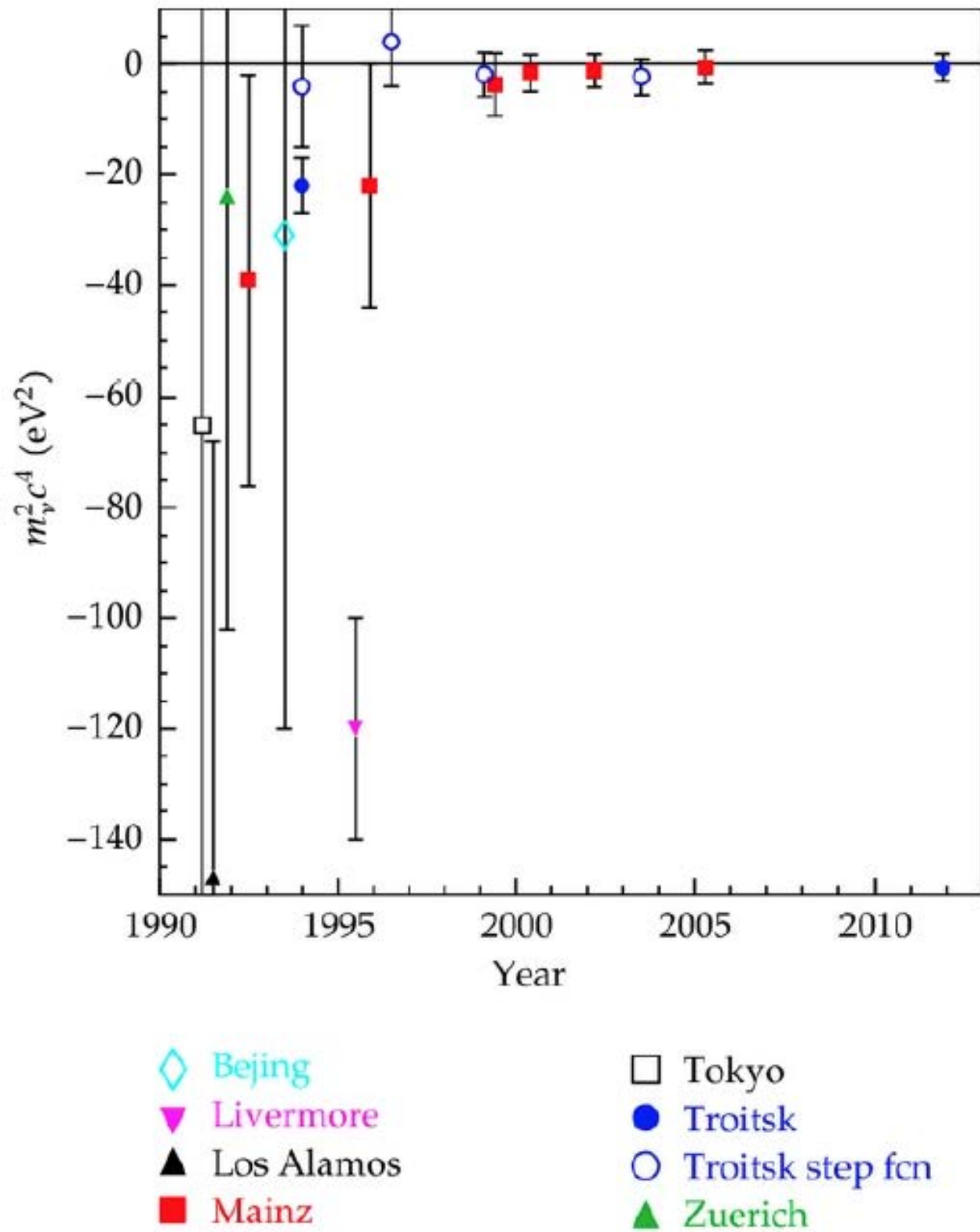
- Expectation for 3 full data taking years:  $\sigma_{\text{sys}} \sim \sigma_{\text{stat}}$
- Sensitivity is still statistically limited,
  - because with more statistics would go closer to the endpoint,
  - where most systematics nearly vanish
- Sensitivity still has to be proven, but there might be even some more improvements

Example of KATRIN simulation & fit  
(last 25eV below endpoint)





# Spectrometers progress





# $^{187}\text{Re}$ Low Temperature Calorimeters

$^{187}\text{Re}$  beta decays with very low  $E_0$ :  
 $^{187}\text{Re} \rightarrow ^{187}\text{Os} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$

- $T_{1/2} = 4.16 \times 10^{10}$  y
- First unique forbidden  $\beta$  decay

Re and AgReO<sub>4</sub>  
 low T  $\mu$ -calorimeters  
 O( $\approx$ 1mg)

Almost ideal calorimeter:  $\Delta T = \Delta E / C$

- Very good energy resolution
- But slow response

→ important pile-up contribution

$$F_{\Delta E} \sim A_{\beta} N_{det} \frac{\Delta E^3}{E_0^3}$$

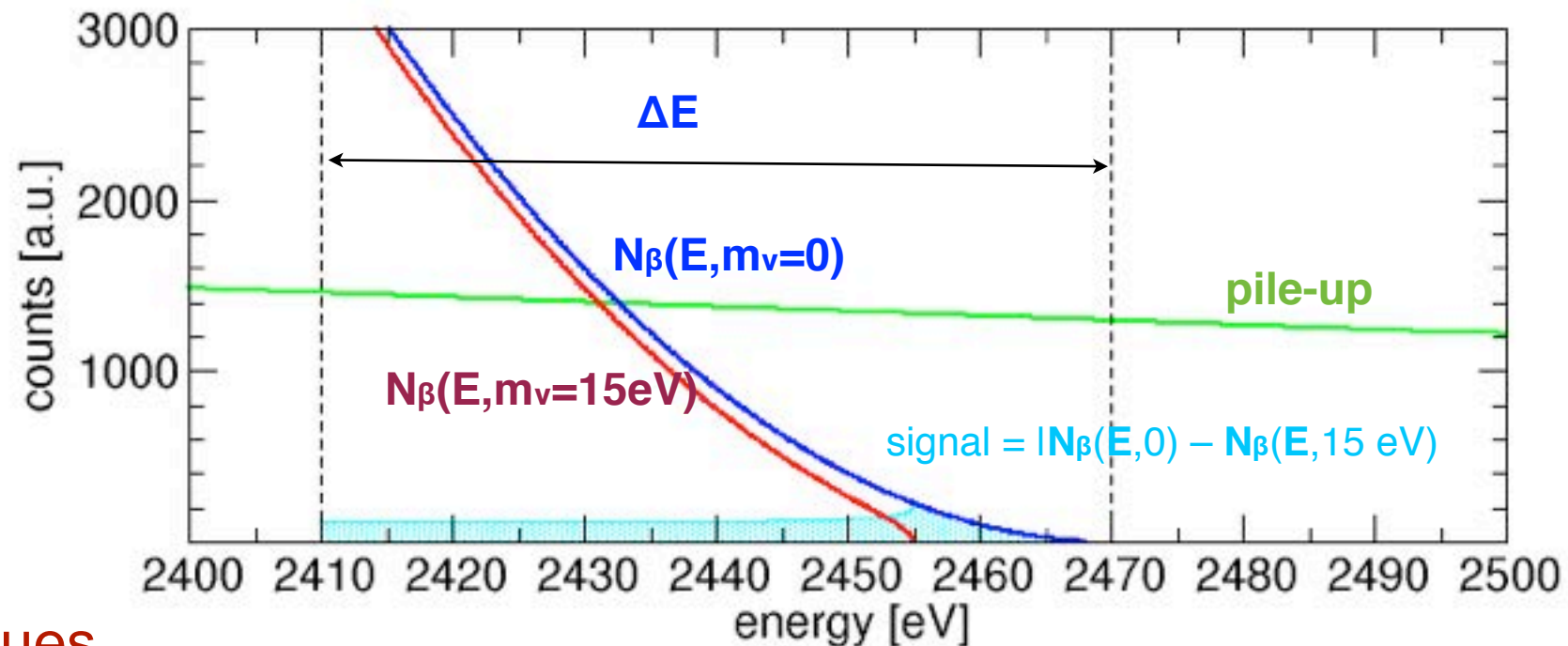
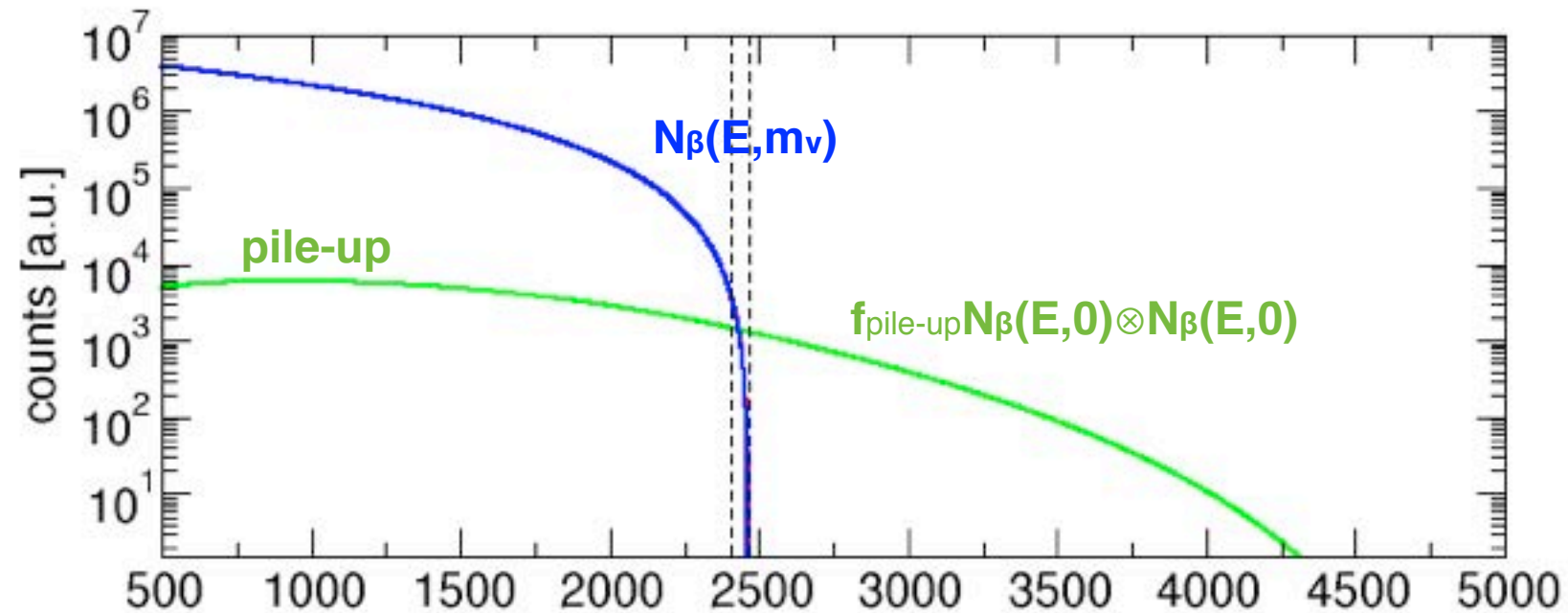
→  $^{187}\text{Re}$   $E_0 = 2.5\text{keV}$

$$\Sigma_{90}(m_{\nu}) \sim 0.89 \left( \frac{E_0^3 \Delta E}{A_{\beta} t_{mea}} \right)^{1/4}$$

## Experimental challenges:

- ▶ energy resolution  $\Delta E_{FWHM}$
- ▶ time resolution  $T_R$
- ▶ exposure  $t_{mea} = N_{det} \times T$
- ▶ single channel activity  $A_{\beta}$

many unresolved experimental issues

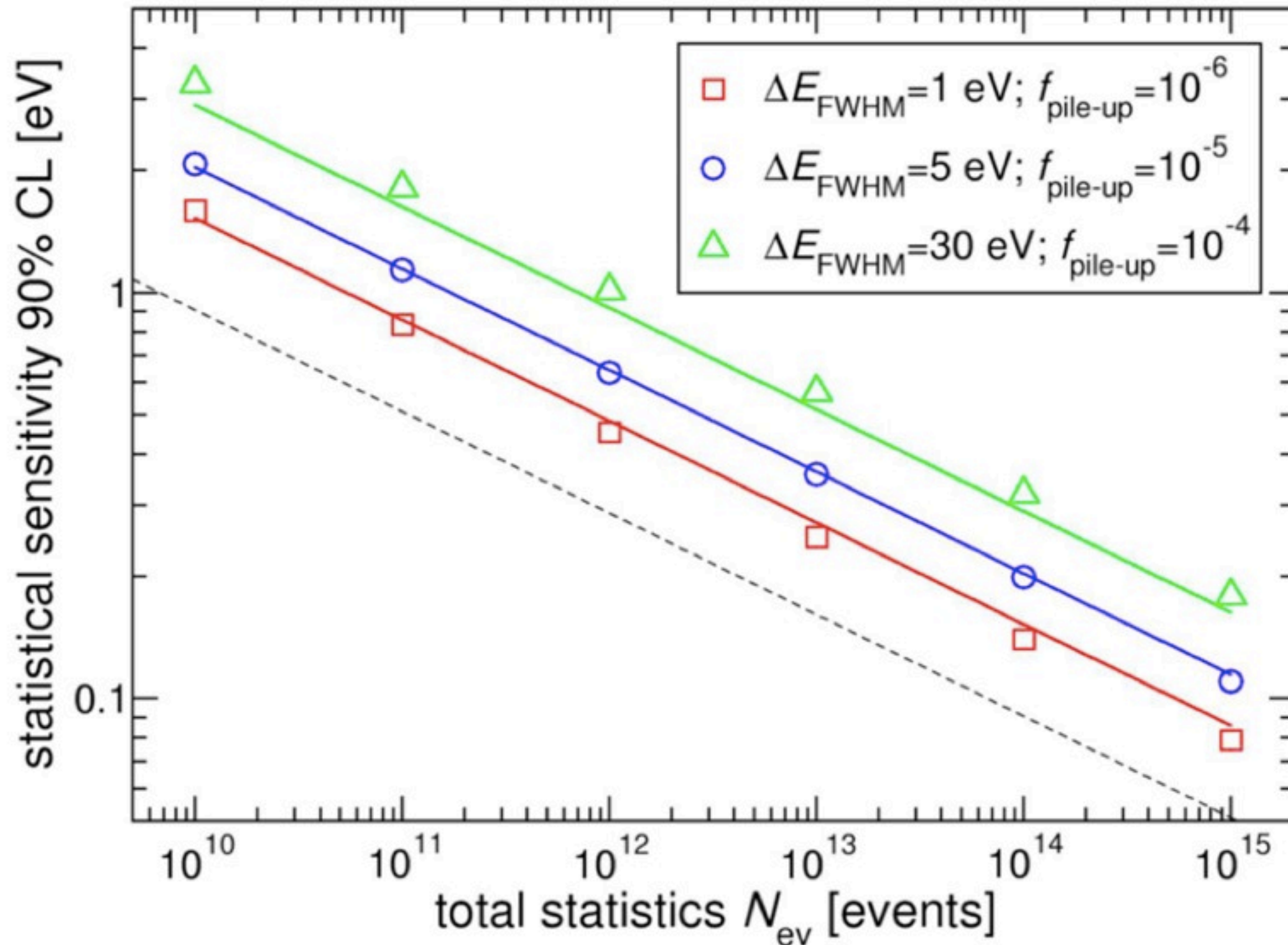


# $^{187}\text{Re}$ experimental sensitivity (stat.)

A.Nucciotti et al., Astropart. Phys., 34 (2010) 80 (arXiv:0912.4638v1)

Total statistics so far:

$N_{\text{ev}} \sim 10^7$  events

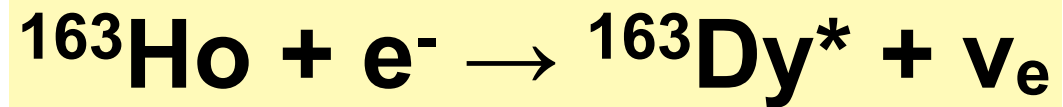


Perspectives:

- 10-20 arrays
- 5000-10000 pixel/array
- 10 year

very challenging!

# Electron capture $m_\nu$ measurements



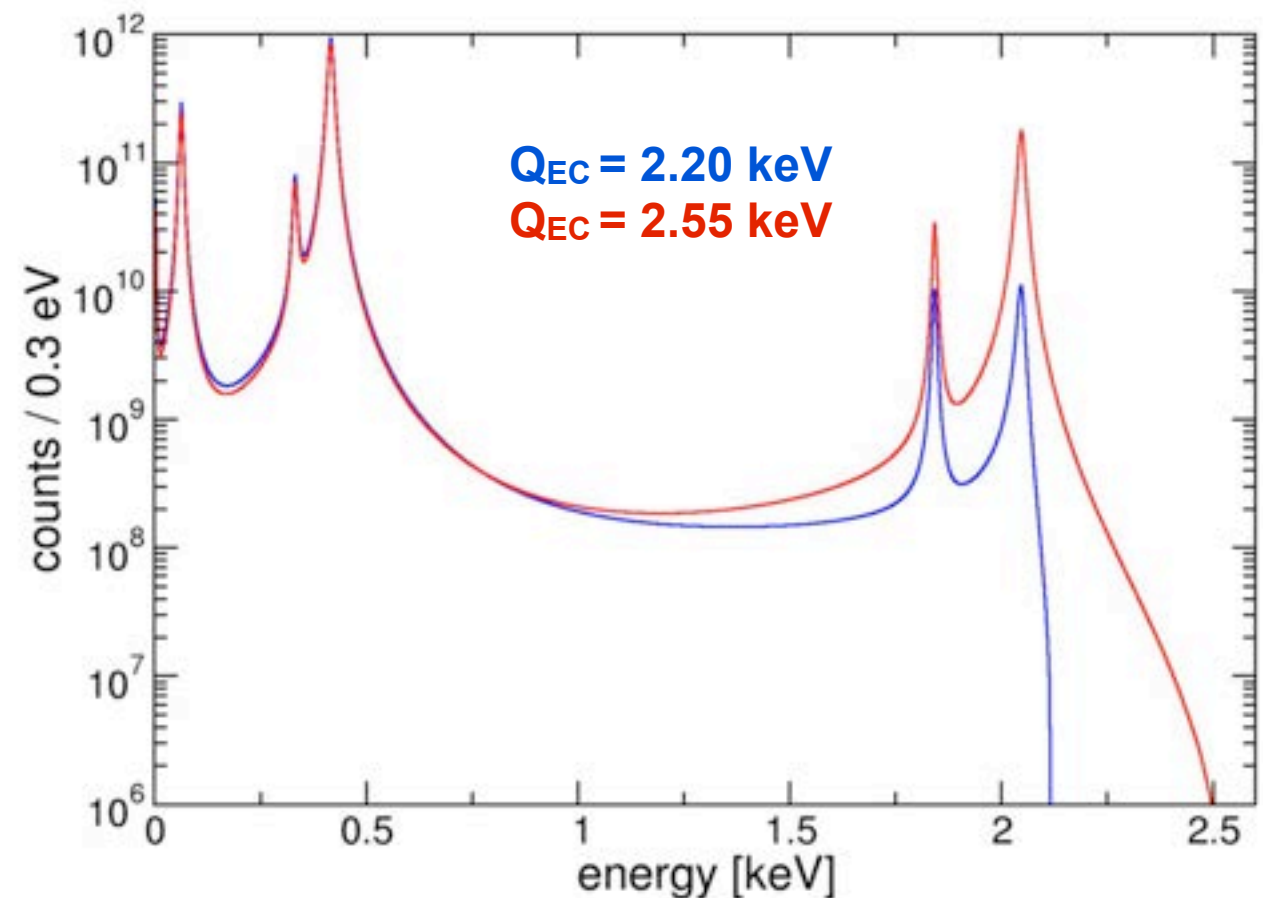
- Calorimetric measurement of Dy atomic de-excitations (mostly non-radiative)
- Rate at end-point and  $\nu$  mass sensitivity depend on  $Q$

$$\frac{d\lambda_{EC}}{dE_c} = \frac{G_\beta^2}{4\pi^2} (Q - E_c) \sqrt{(Q - E_c)^2 - m_\nu^2} \times \sum_i n_i C_i \beta_i^2 B_i \frac{\Gamma_i}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E_c - E_i)^2 + \Gamma_i^2/4}$$

- Measured:  $Q_{EC} = 2.2\text{-}2.8$  keV.
- Recommended:  $Q_{EC} = 2.555$  keV
- $T_{1/2} \approx 4570$  years: few active nuclei needed

- A. De Rujula and M. Lusignoli, Phys. Lett. B 118 (1982) 429
- Addendum: arXiv:1305.4857v1

- No direct calorimetric measurement of  $Q$  so far
- $Q$  and atomic de-excitation spectrum poorly known
- Complex pile-up spectrum





# EC sensitivity

## EC advantages

- higher specific activity → don't need an Holmium detector
- self calibrating → better systematics control

but

- higher Q → maybe less sensitive
- pile-up spectrum
- chemical effects on Q

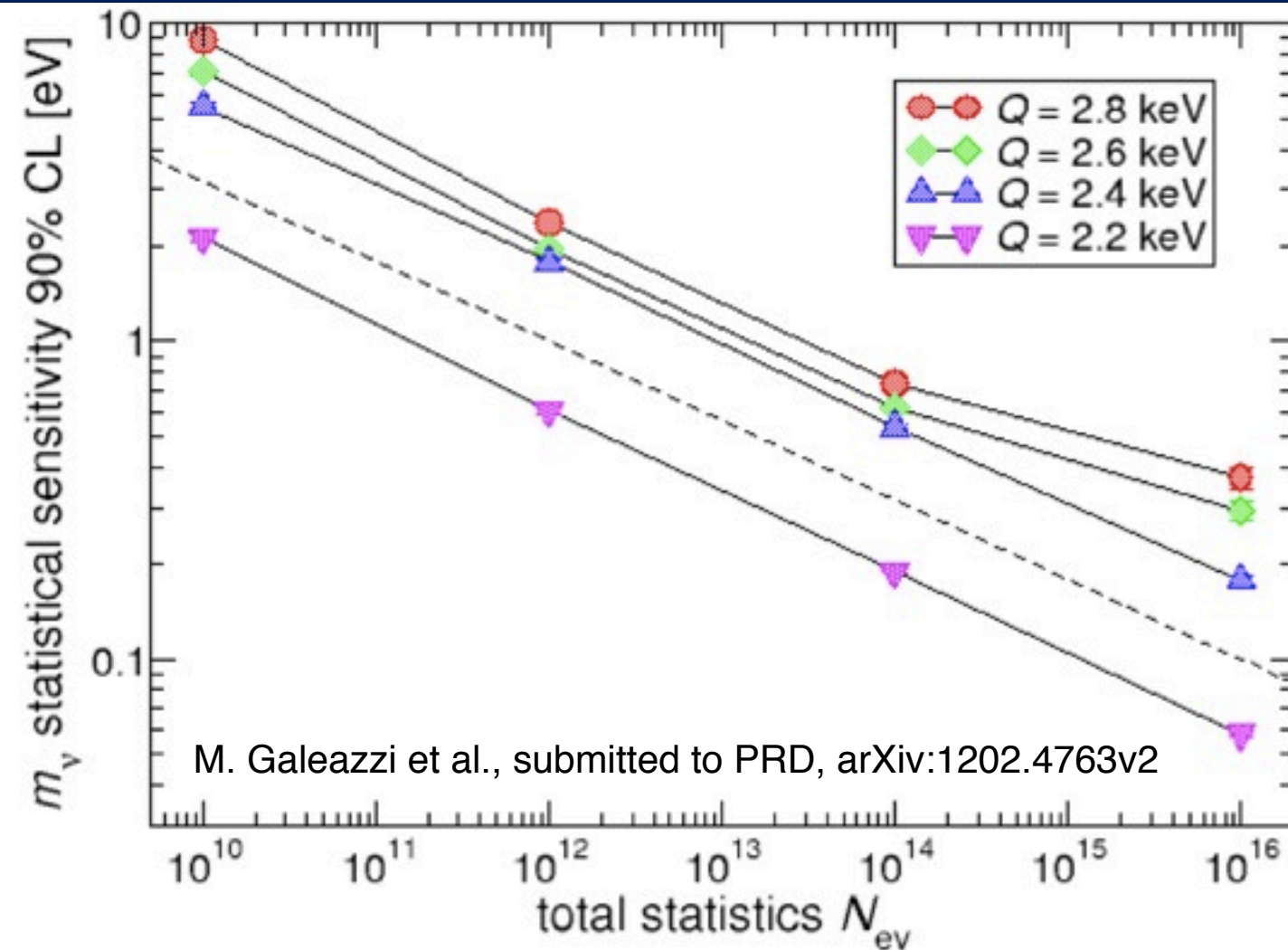
Two (LTD) projects so far

**ECHO**

**MARE**

Common technical challenges

- clean  $^{163}\text{Ho}$  production
- $^{163}\text{Ho}$  incorporation
- large channel number → high speed MUX
- data handling (processing, storage, ...)



$m_\nu$ sensitivity	Number of arrays	Pixels/Array	$\delta E$ (eV)	Q (eV)	Time scale (y)
0.2	3	5000	1	2200	1
0.1	4	5000	0.3	2200	10
0.3	5	60000	1	2800	5
0.1	100	60000	0.3	2800	10

# Double Beta Decay

Very rare nuclear decay



which can occur according  
in different modes

## $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay:

- allowed within **Standard model**,
  - 2nd order process in Fermi theory
- observed for **12** isotopes:
  - $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ ,  $^{82}\text{Se}$ ,  $^{96}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ ,  $^{116}\text{Cd}$ ,  
 $^{128,130}\text{Te}$ ,  $^{136}\text{Xe}$ ,  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{238}\text{U}$
- **First** double beta **plus** decay:  $^{130}\text{Ba}$
- $T^{2\nu\beta\beta}_{1/2} \sim 10^{(19-25)} \text{ y}$
- **Important constraint for nuclear matrix element calculation**

## $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay (neutrinoless DBD):

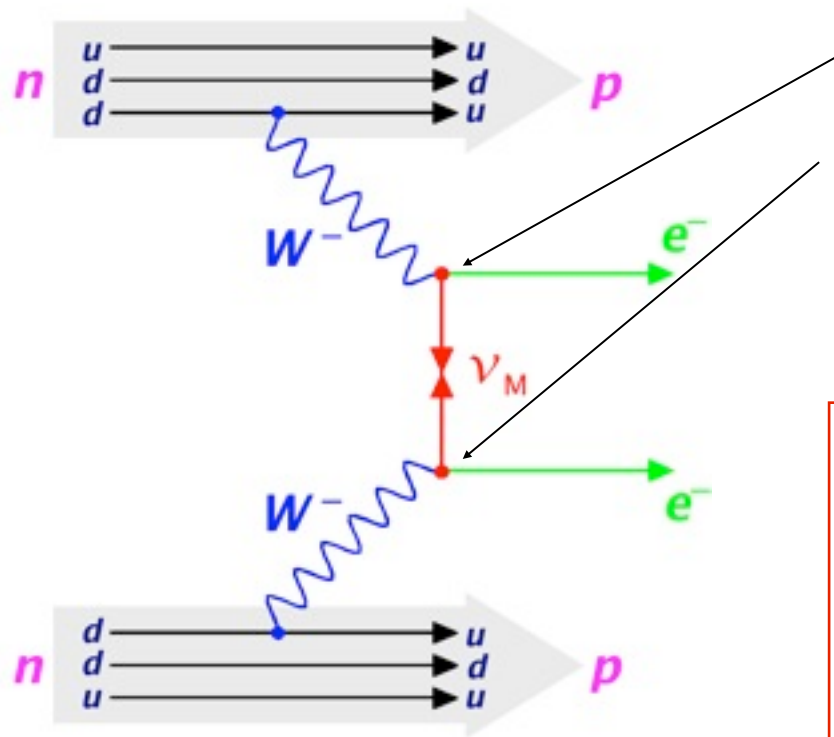
- violates lepton number by 2 units
- experimentally **not** observed
- $T^{0\nu\beta\beta}_{1/2} (^{76}\text{Ge}) > \sim 10^{25} \text{ y}$
- Current bounds limit neutrino mass scale to  $m_\nu \leq O(0.1 - 0.5) \text{ eV}$
- Observation **implies Physics beyond the standard model of particle physics**

## “Exotic” decays:

- for example  $X = J$ , i.e. **Majoron**
- experimentally **not** observed (and no rumours!)
- Best limit from:  $T^{0\nu\beta\beta J}_{1/2} (^{128}\text{Te}) > \sim \text{few } 10^{24} \text{ ys}$

# $0\nu\beta\beta$ : mass mechanism

Exchange of a light Majorana neutrino



RH antineutrino ( $L=1$ ) is emitted at one vertex  
 LH neutrino ( $L=-1$ ) is absorbed at the other vertex

- Majorana particle
- Helicity flip (neutrino mass dependence)

Half lifetime can be expressed as

$$\lambda_{0\nu} = \frac{1}{\tau_{0\nu}} = G^{0\nu}(Q, Z) |M^{0\nu}|^2 \frac{\langle m_{ee} \rangle^2}{m_e^2}$$

F<sub>N</sub>: Nuclear Factor of merit

PHASE SPACE FACTOR

NME

EFFECTIVE MAJORANA MASS

$$\langle m_{ee} \rangle = \sum_k U_{ek}^2 m_k$$

NEUTRINO MASS EIGENVALUES

NEUTRINO MIXING MATRIX

$$= c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 m_1 + s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{i\alpha} m_2 + s_{13}^2 e^{i\beta} m_3$$

N.B.: Majorana phases make  $m_{ee}$  cancellation possible ( $m_{ee}$  could be smaller than any of the  $m_i$ ).



# Nuclear Matrix Elements

Nuclear matrix elements (NME) are calculated according to various models:

QRPA (RQRPA, SQRPA, .....), Shell model, IBM2 ...

Calculation discrepancies are one of the largest sources of uncertainties

**NSM** nuclear shell model, Nucl. Phys. A 818 (2009)

139.Phys. Rev. C80 (2009) 048501(1)

**SRQRPA** self-consistent renormalized quasiparticle

random phase approx.(2), Phys Rev D83 (2011)

113015, Phys Rev C79 (2009) 055501(1), Phys Rev

C83 (2011) 034320

**pnQRPA** proton-neutron QRPA, Nucl Phys A847

(2010) 207

**GCM** generating coordinate method Phys. Rev. Lett.

105 (2010) 252503.

**IBM** interacting boson model(3), Phys Rev C79

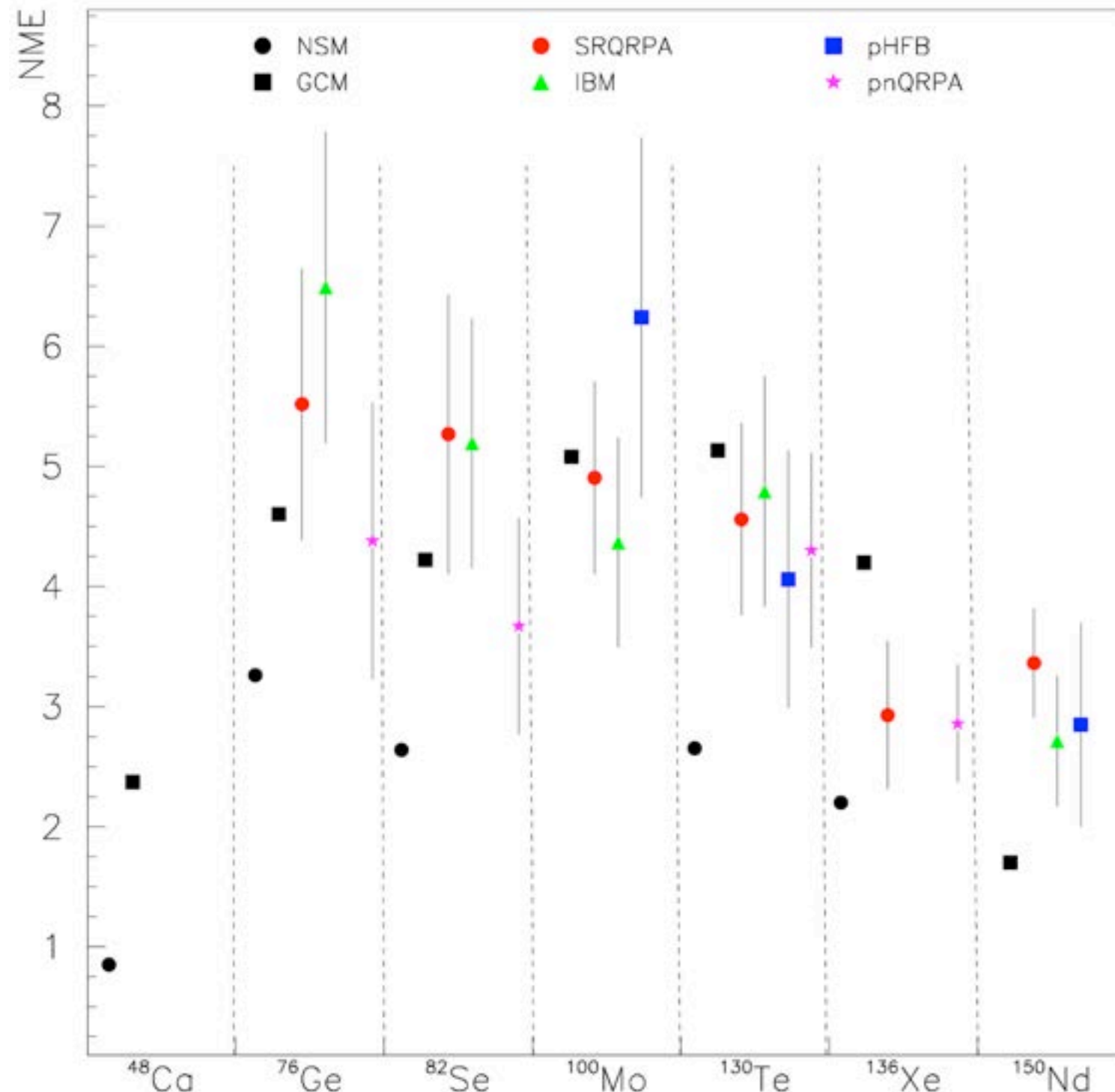
(2009) 044301

**pHFB** projected Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov

Phys Rev C82 (2010) 064310

- more groups calculate NME with different methods
- ~~NSM lower than other calculations~~
- **NME vary by factor 2-3 for a given nucleus**
- ~~"errors" on NME calculations largely correlated for different A~~
- difference between QRPA calculations small

- **no "super" element from NME point-of-view**



# Experimental signature



- A new (ionised) isotope
- Two electrons

## Minimal information:

- two  $e^-$  energy sum spectrum

$0\nu\beta\beta$  exhibits a **peak at Q** over  $2\nu\beta\beta$  tail (and background contributions)

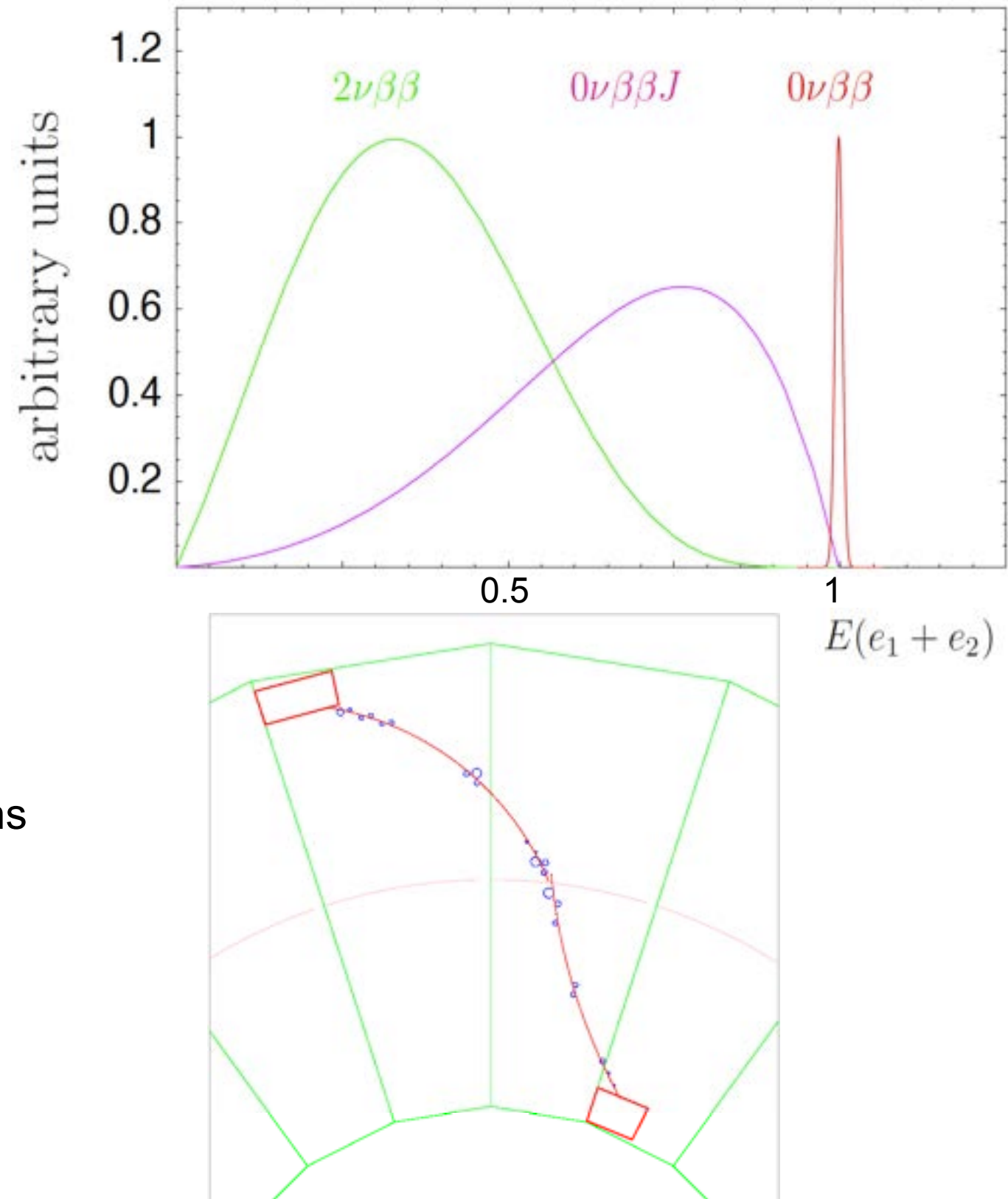
## Additional signatures:

- Single electron energy spectrum
- Angular correlation between the two electrons
- Daughter nuclear species

Track and event topology  
Time Of Flight

## Moreover, to cure NME systematics:

- study as many as possible different isotopes



# Experimental sensitivity

$$\tau_{1/2}^{0\nu} = \ln 2 \frac{\epsilon N_{\text{nuclei}} t_{\text{meas}}}{N_{\beta\beta}}$$

Lifetime corresponding to the minimum detectable number of events over background at a given confidence level

$$N_{\beta\beta} \leq \sqrt{\text{bkg} \cdot \Delta E \cdot M \cdot t_{\text{meas}}}$$

$N_{\text{nuclei}}$	number of active nuclei in the experiment
$t_{\text{meas}}$	measuring time [y]
$M$	detector mass [kg]
$\epsilon$	detector efficiency
i.a.	isotopic abundance
$A$	atomic number
$\Delta E$	energy resolution [keV]
bkg	background [c/keV/y/kg]

$$N_B = \text{bkg} \cdot \Delta E \cdot T \cdot M$$

number of background events expected along the experiment lifetime

$N_B \gg 1$

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \epsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot t_{\text{meas}}}{\text{bkg} \cdot \Delta E}}$$

$N_B \leq O(1) \rightarrow$  “zero background”

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \epsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} M \cdot t_{\text{meas}}$$

Performance

Scale

$\langle m_{ee} \rangle$

$$\frac{1}{S_{1/2}^{0\nu}(m_{ee})} \propto \sqrt{S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \cdot G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|}$$

- Isotopical abundance
- Mass
- Energy resolution
- Background level

- Isotope choice

# Experimental approaches

## Two main approaches:

- homogeneous (calorimetric or active source)
- inhomogeneous (external-source or passive source)

## Calorimeters

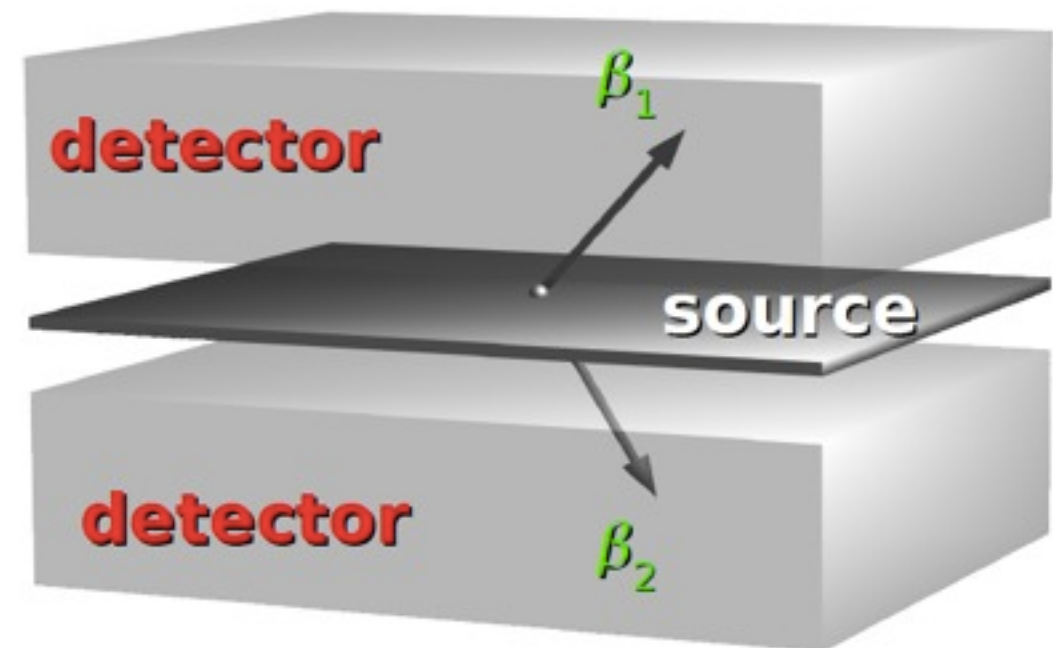
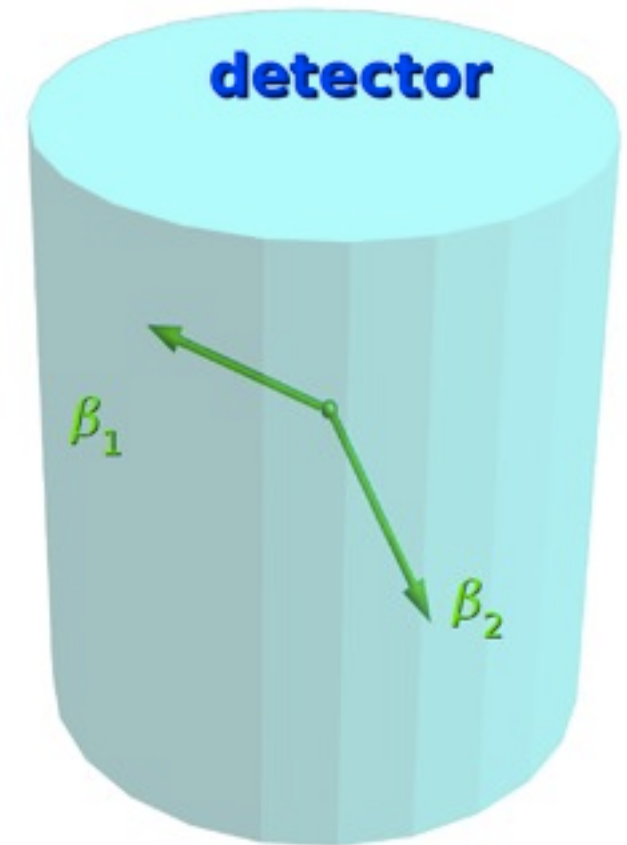
### Solid-state devices, bolometers, scintillators, gas detectors

- + Very large M possible (demonstrated ~50kg, proposed ~1t)
- + High efficiency ( $\epsilon \sim 1$ )
- + Very high energy resolution ( $\Delta E \sim 0.015\%$  with Ge-diodes, bolometers)
- + Event topology (in gas/liquid Xe detectors or pixellization)
- + Good background levels
- Constraints on detector choice (except for bolometers)
- No or partial particle id

## External-source detectors

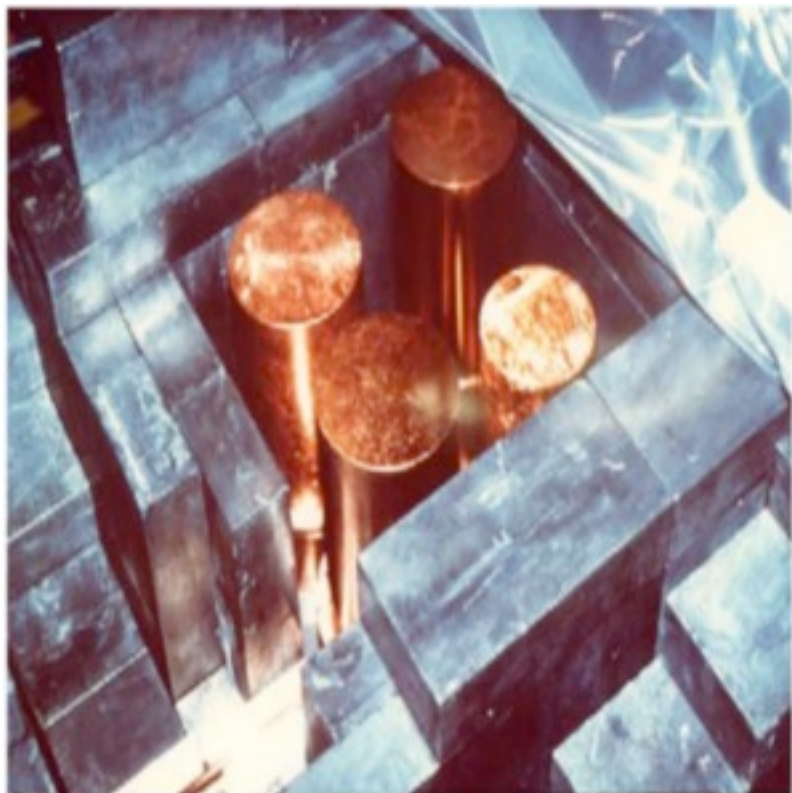
### Scintillators, gas TPC, gas DC, magnetic field and TOF

- + Event topology allowing "clean bkg" (except  $2\nu\beta\beta$ )
- + Several  $\beta\beta$  candidates can be studied with same detector
- Difficult to get large source M
- Difficult to get high efficiency
- Difficult to get good resolution

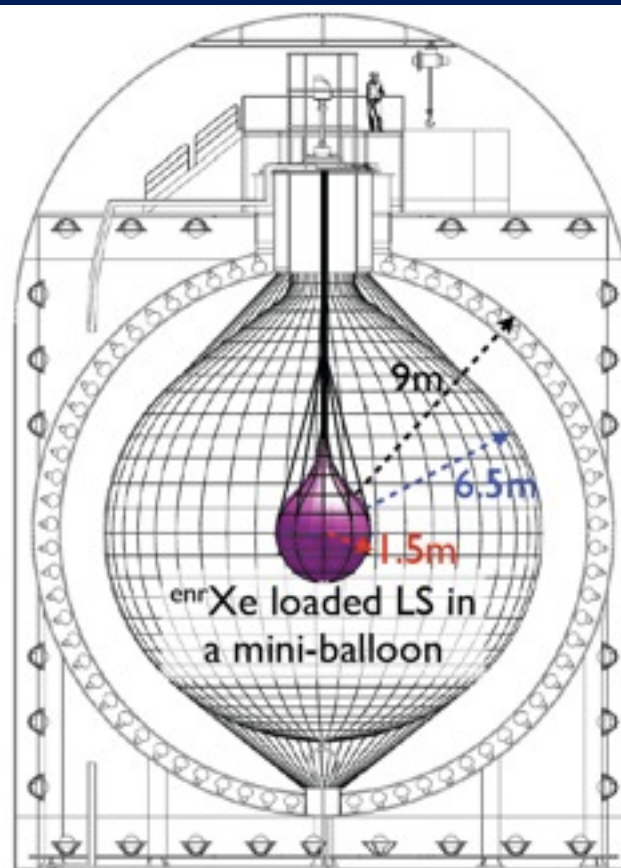




# $\beta\beta(0\nu)$ present and near past

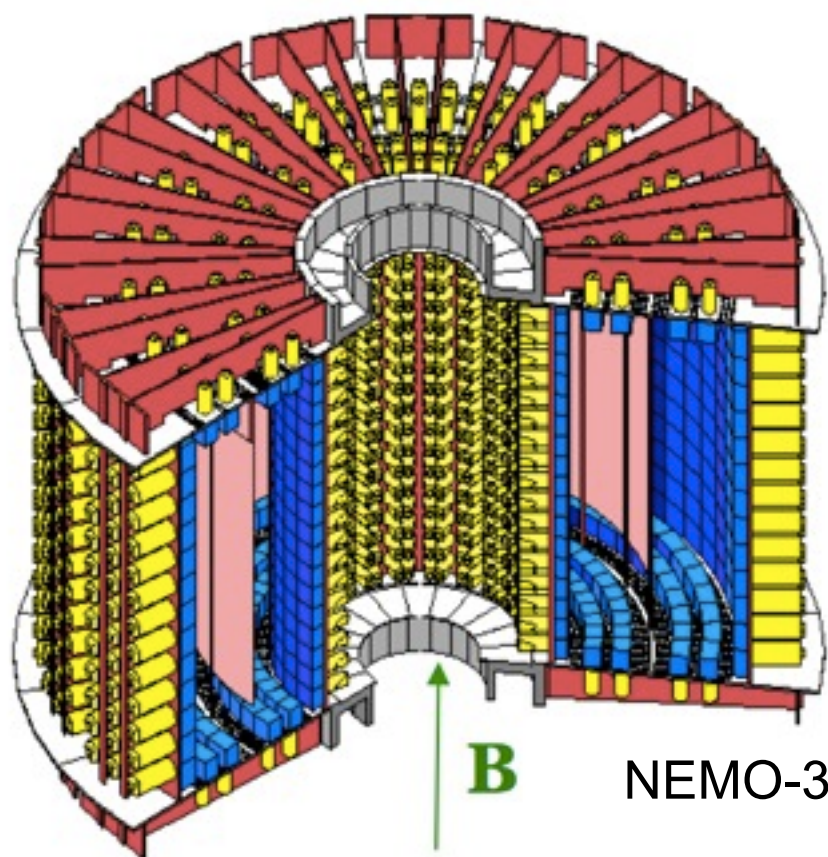
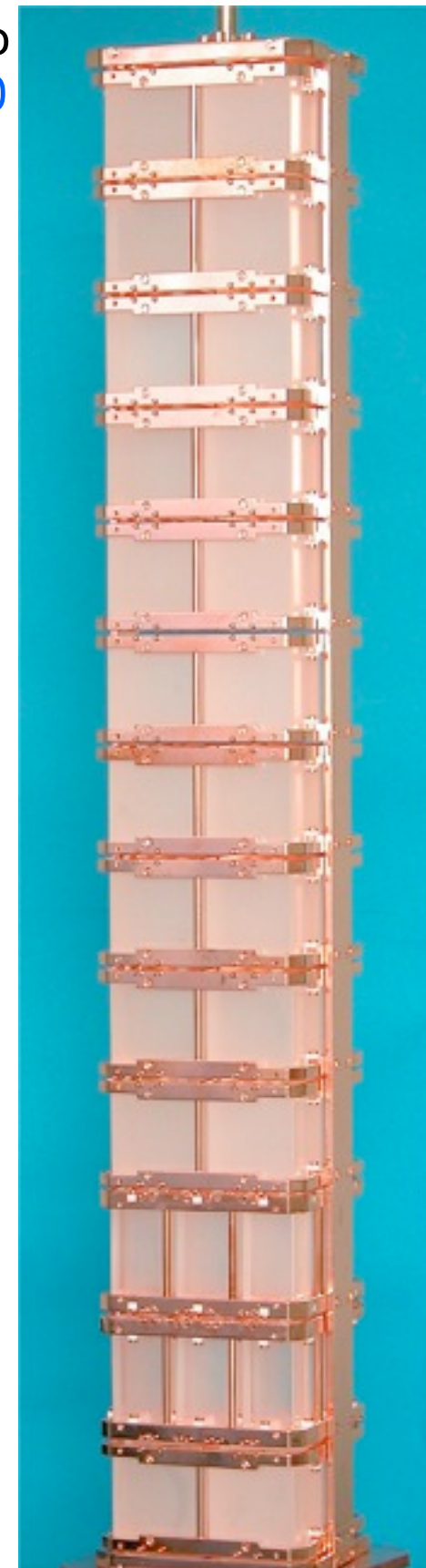


HDM & IGEX  
GERDA-I

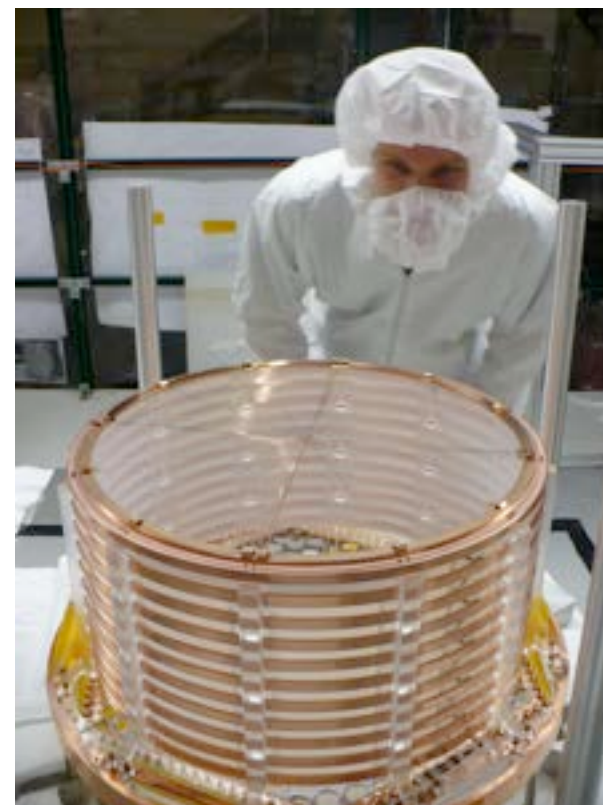


KamLAND-ZEN

Cuoricino  
CUORE0



NEMO-3



EXO-200

# Present $\beta\beta(0\nu)$ results

Isotope	$T^{2\nu}_{1/2}$ ( $10^{19}$ y)	$T^{0\nu}_{1/2}$ ( $10^{24}$ y)	$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle$ (meV)
$^{48}\text{Ca}$	$4.4 \pm 0.5$ (stat) $\pm 0.4$ (syst)	$> 0.058$	3515-14133
$^{76}\text{Ge}$		<b><math>22.3^{+4.4}_{-3.1}</math>*</b>	
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$150 \pm 10$	$> 21$ (30 comb.)	201-638
$^{82}\text{Se}$	$9.6 \pm 0.1$ (stat) $\pm 1.0$ (syst)	$> 0.32$	884-2631
$^{96}\text{Zr}$	$2.35 \pm 0.14$ (stat) $\pm 0.16$ (syst)	$> 0.0092$	4207-15139
$^{100}\text{Mo}$	$0.716 \pm 0.001$ (stat) $\pm 0.054$ (syst))	$> 1.0$	334-946
$^{116}\text{Cd}$	$2.88 \pm 0.04$ (stat) $\pm 0.16$ (syst)	$> 0.17$	1300-2440
$^{130}\text{Te}$	$70 \pm 9$ (stat) $\pm 11$ (syst)	$> 2.8$	296-773
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$217.2 \pm 1.7$ (stat) $\pm 6$ (syst)	$> 16$	161-385
$^{150}\text{Nd}$	$0.911 \pm 0.025$ (stat) $\pm 0.063$ (syst)	$> 0.018$	2622-5678



# DBD experiments summary

Experiment	Isotope	Technique	Mass $\beta\beta(0\nu)$ isotope	Status
CANDLES	48Ca	305 kg of CaF2 crystals - liq. scint	0.3 kg	Construction
CARVEL	48Ca	48CaWO4 crystal scint.	~ tonne	R&D
GERDA I	76Ge	Ge diodes in LAr	18 kg	Operating
GERDA II	76Ge	Point contact Ge in LAr	18+21 kg	Construction
Majorana D	76Ge	Point contact Ge	30 kg	Construction
1TGe (GERDA +MJ)	76Ge	Best technology from GERDA and MAJORANA	~ tonne	R&D
NEMO3	100Mo/ 82Se	Foils with tracking	6.9/0.9 kg	Complete
SuperNEMO D	82Se	Foils with tracking	7 kg	Construction
SuperNEMO	82Se	Foils with tracking	100 kg	R&D
LUCIFER	82Se	ZnSe scint. bolometer	18 kg	R&D
AMoRE	100Mo	CaMoO4 scint. bolometer	50 kg	R&D
MOON	100Mo	Mo sheets	200 kg	R&D
COBRA	116Cd	CdZnTe detectors	10 kg/183 kg	R&D
CUORICINO	130Te	TeO2 Bolometer	10 kg	Complete
CUORE-0	130Te	TeO2 Bolometer	11 kg	Operating
CUORE	130Te	TeO2 Bolometer	206 kg	Construction
SNO+	130Te	0.1% natNd suspended in Scint	55 kg	Construction
KamLAND-ZEN	136Xe	2.7% in liquid scint.	380 kg	Operating
NEXT-100	136Xe	High pressure Xe TPC	80 kg	Construction
EXO200	136Xe	Xe liquid TPC	160 kg	Operating
nEXO	136Xe	Xe liquid TPC	~ tonne	R&D
DCBA	150Nd	Nd foils & tracking chambers	20 kg	R&D

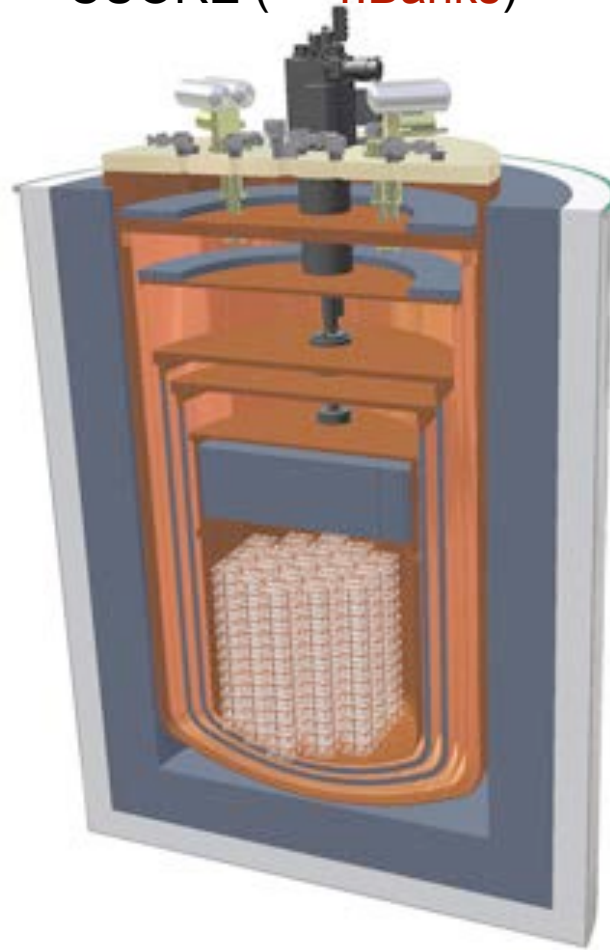


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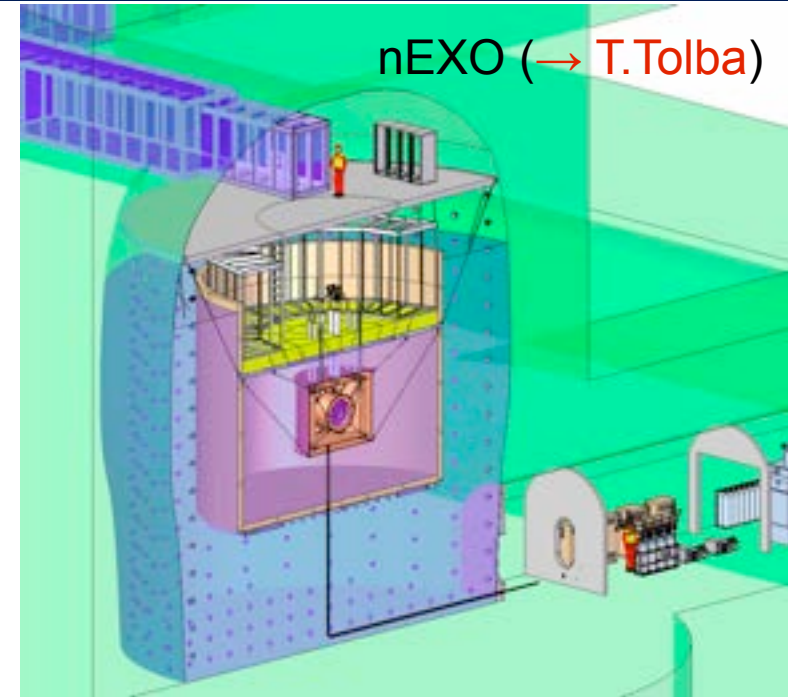


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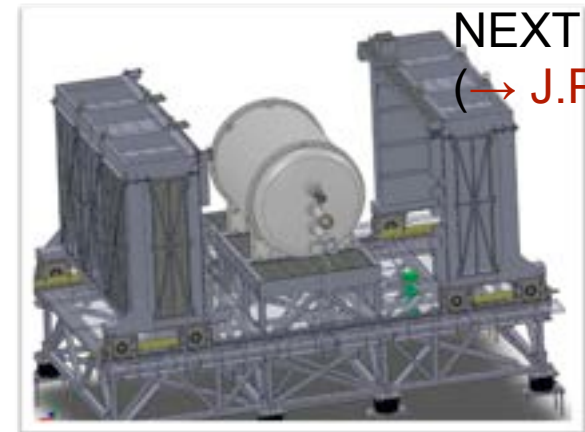
CUORE (→ T.Banks)



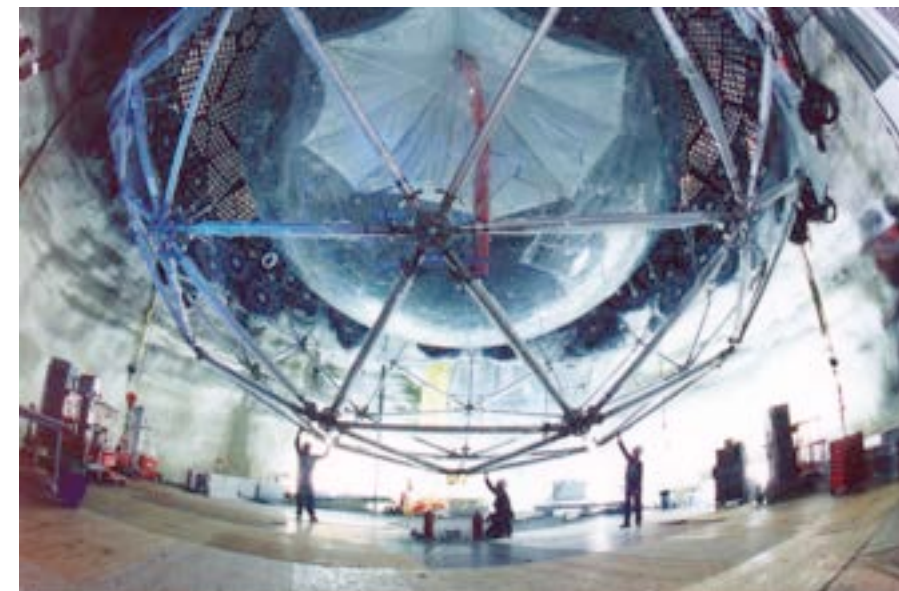
nEXO (→ T.Tolba)



NEXT (→ J.PerezPerez)



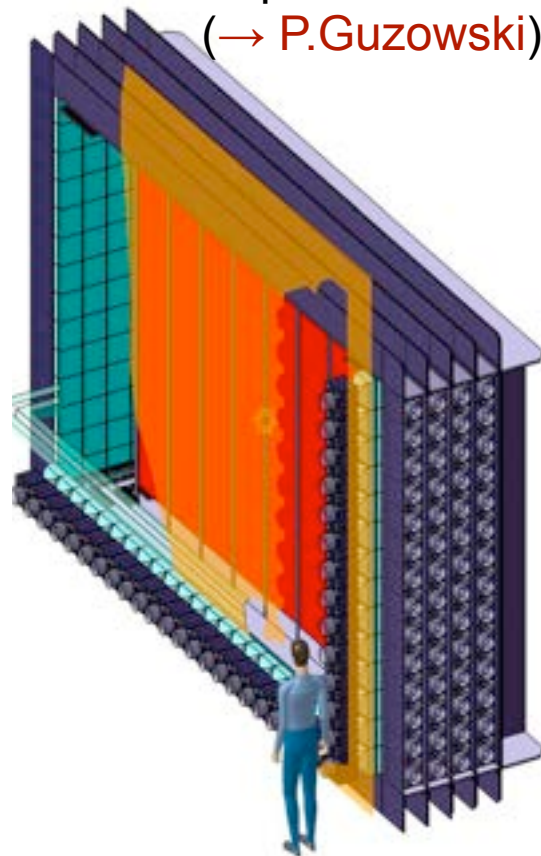
SNO+ (→ M.Mottram)



MAJORANA



SuperNEMO (→ P.Guzowski)



KAMLAND-Zen



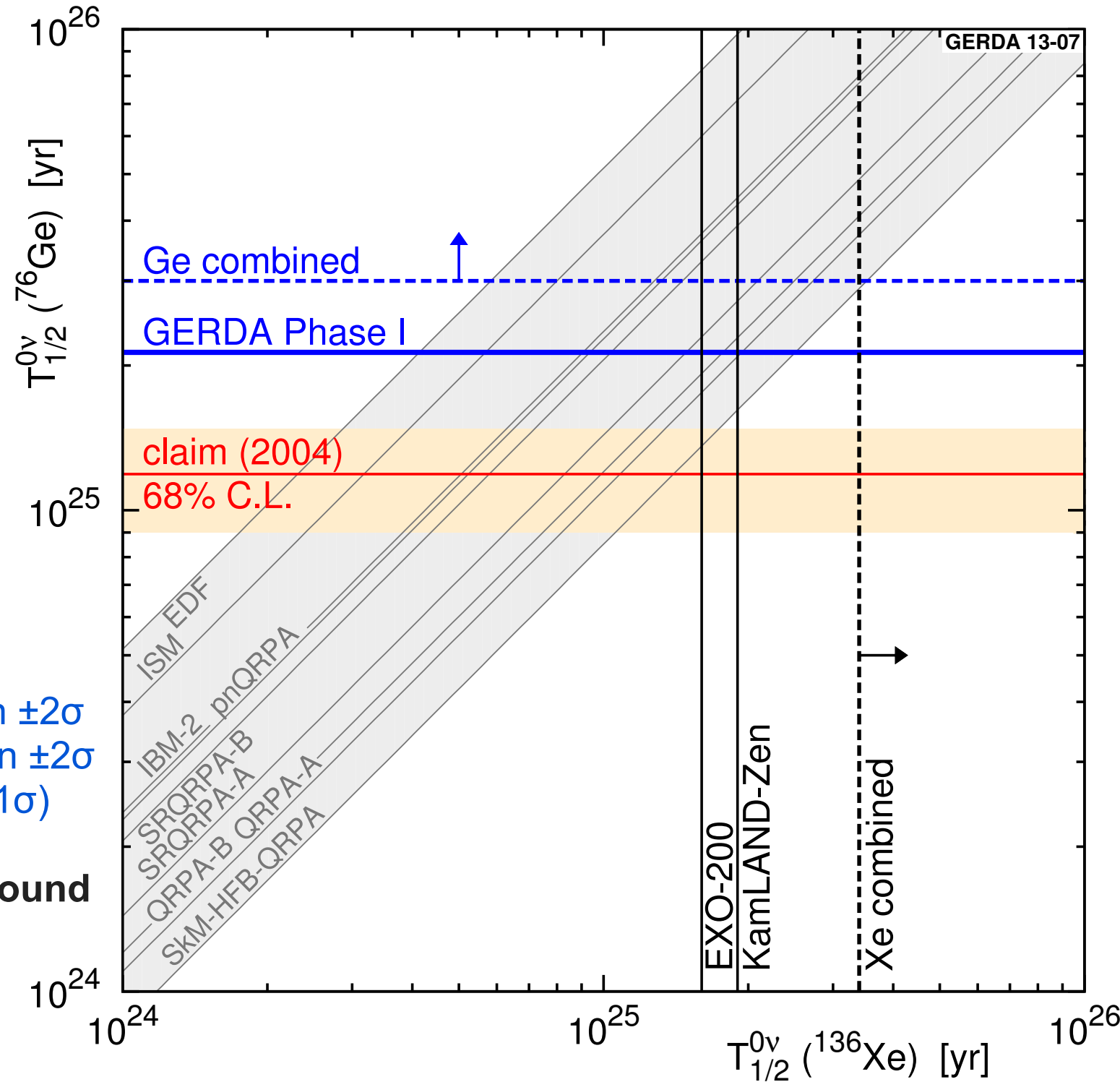
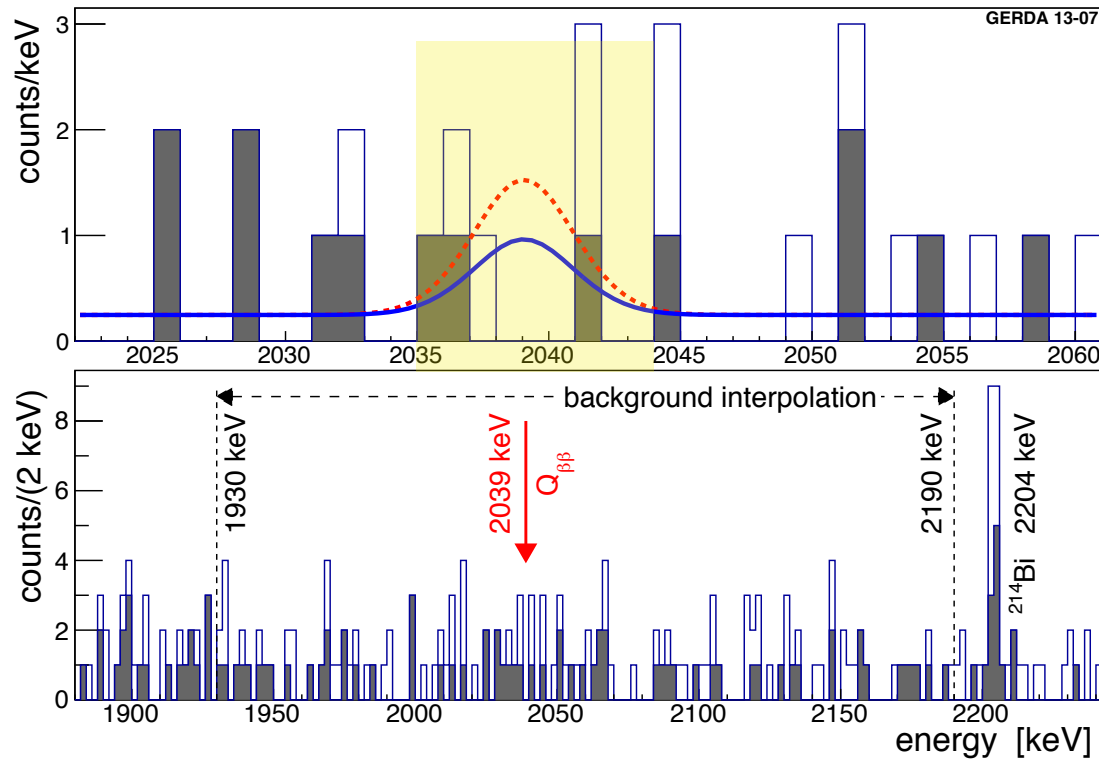


# GERDA-I $\beta\beta(0\nu)$ results and $^{76}\text{Ge}$ claim

GERDA Coll., arXiv:1307.4720

GERDA :  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.1 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr @ 90\% CL}$

GERDA combined w. IGEX & HdM:  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 3.0 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr @ 90\% CL}$



**Best fit:**  $N^{0\nu} = 0$ ,  $N^{0\nu} < 3.5 \text{ cts @ 90\% C.L.}$

**For  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = 1.19 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$ :**

- Expected Signal (after PSD):  $5.9 \pm 1.4 \text{ cts in } \pm 2\sigma$
- Expected Bckgd (after PSD):  $2.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ cts in } \pm 2\sigma$
- Observed:  $3.0 \text{ (0 in } \pm 1\sigma)$

**Comparing H1(Claimed signal) to H0(Background only):**

- $P(H1)/P(H0) = 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$
  - Assuming H1:  $P(N^{0\nu}=0 | H1) = 1\%$
- Claim poorly credible

# Sensitivity revisited

$z = \eta \cdot \epsilon / A$

$N_B \gg 1$

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \epsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot t_{meas}}{bkg \cdot \Delta E}}$$

$N_B \leq O(1) \rightarrow$  “zero background”

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \epsilon \frac{i.a.}{A} M \cdot t_{meas}$$

By generalizing:

- $n' = M \cdot z$
- $B' = B/z$

$T \equiv t_{meas}$   
 $B \equiv bkg$   
 $\Delta \equiv \Delta E$   
 $\eta \equiv a.i.$

and re-defining

1.  $x' \equiv n' \cdot T \equiv S(\text{cale})$
2.  $y' \equiv B' \cdot \Delta \equiv [P(\text{erformance})]^{-1}$

**we completely get rid of the “z” block and get an effective and objective comparison**

The condition

$$N_B = (B' \cdot \Delta E) \cdot (n' \cdot T) = x' \cdot y' = P \cdot S$$

still holds

Meaning:

- $n' \equiv$  number of “effective” moles of  $\beta\beta$  isotope
- $B' \equiv$  background rate normalized to the number of “effective” moles of  $\beta\beta$  isotope

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \sqrt{S \cdot P}$$

$$S_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto S$$

# Future $\beta\beta(0\nu)$ experiments

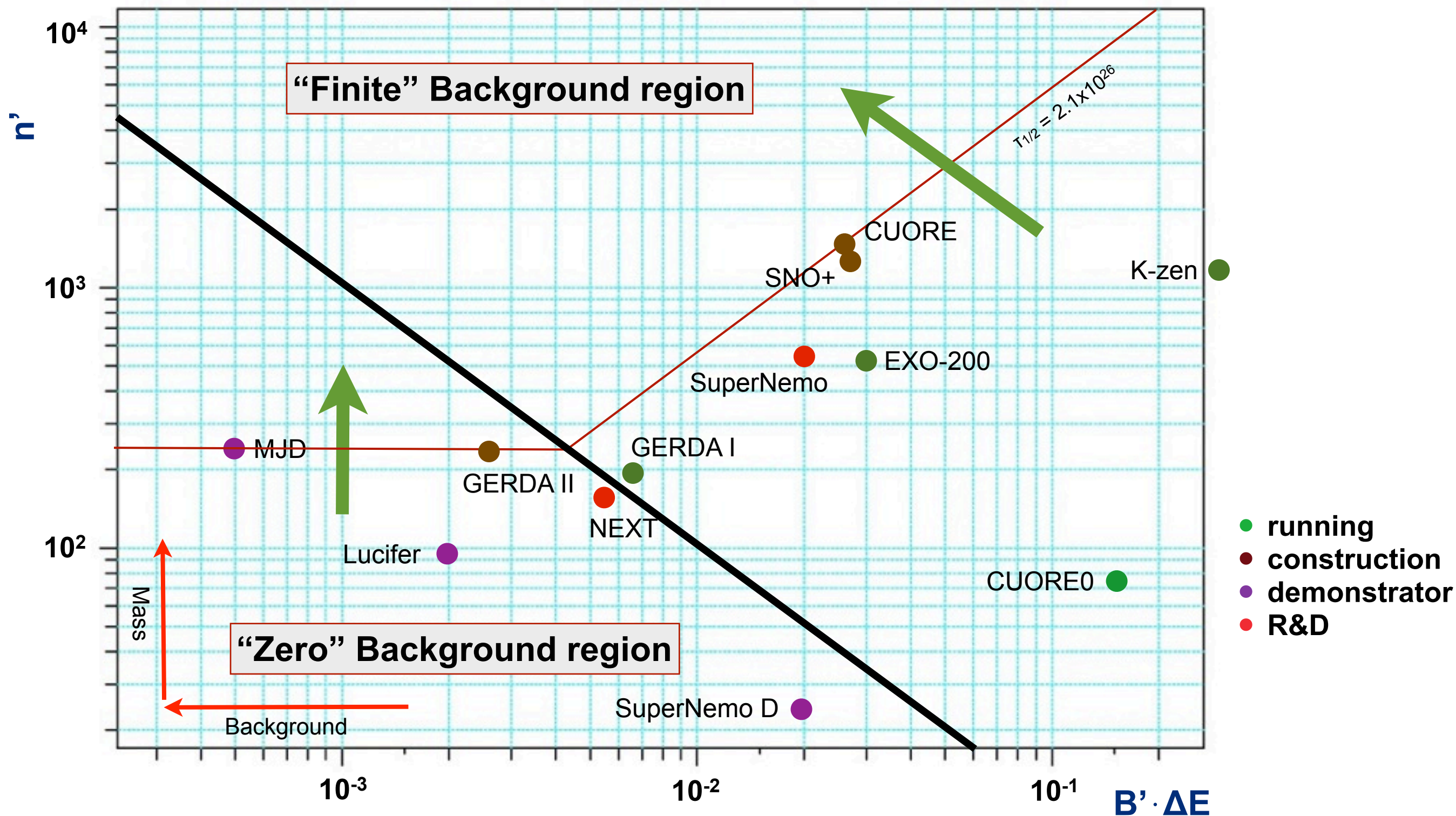
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	Isotope	$B_{\text{iso}}$ ( $10^{-3}$ c/keV/kg/y)	FWHM (keV)	(Performance) $^{-1}$ [B' · $\Delta$ ]	Scale [n' · T]	Status	$F^{0\nu}(1\sigma)$ ( $10^{26}$ y)	$\langle m_{\nu} \rangle$ (meV)
CUORE	$^{130}\text{Te}$	29	5	2.73E-02	1390	P	<b>2.1</b>	60
SNO+	$^{130}\text{Te}$	1.4	240	2.78E-02	1252	D	<b>2.0</b>	62
GERDA I	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	21	4.8	6.39E-03	146	R	<b>1.4</b>	136
GERDA II	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	7/1	3.2	2.75E-03/3.9E-04	170	D	<b>2.3/2.4*</b>	105/103
MJD	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	1.2	4	4.91E-04	244	P	<b>3.5*</b>	86
EXO	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	1.9	97	3.15E-02	463	R	<b>1.2</b>	99
NEXT	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	0.8	13	5.44E-03	165	D	<b>1.6</b>	82
KamLAND-Zen	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	9.4	243	3.11E-01	1030	R	<b>0.5</b>	144
SuperNEMO D	$^{82}\text{Se}$	0.6	120	2.00E-02	23	D	<b>0.3</b>	170
SuperNEMO	$^{82}\text{Se}$	0.6	130	2.00E-02	461	D	<b>1.4</b>	82
LUCIFER	$^{82}\text{Se}$	1.05	10	1.80E-03	96	D	<b>1.4*</b>	102

# A further generalization

$n'$  = number of "effective" isotope moles

$B'$  = counts/keV/ $n'$ /yr



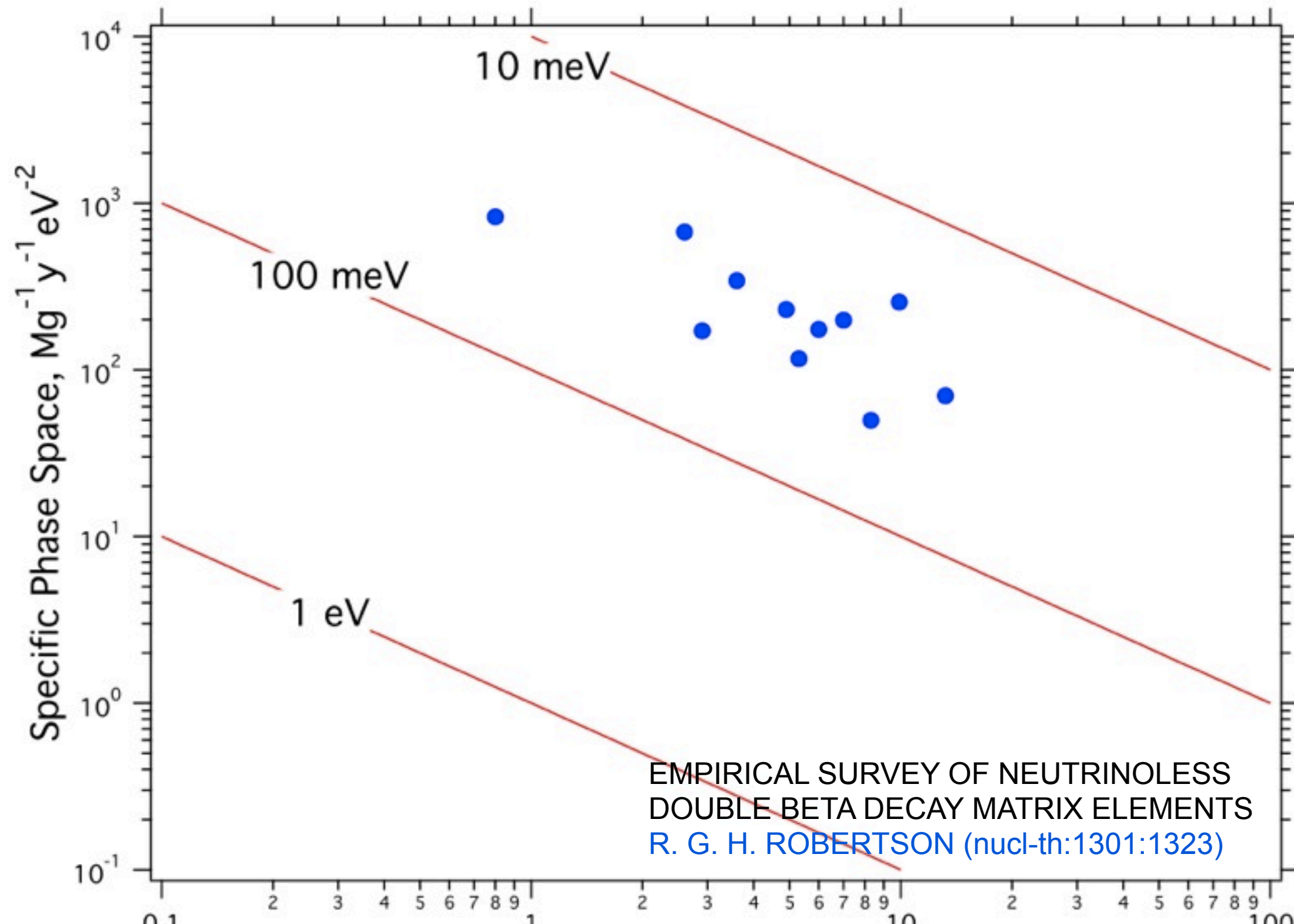


# NME revisited

An alternative (stronger) view of the “no super element” statement:

$$M^{0\nu} \rightarrow F^{0\nu} = G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2$$

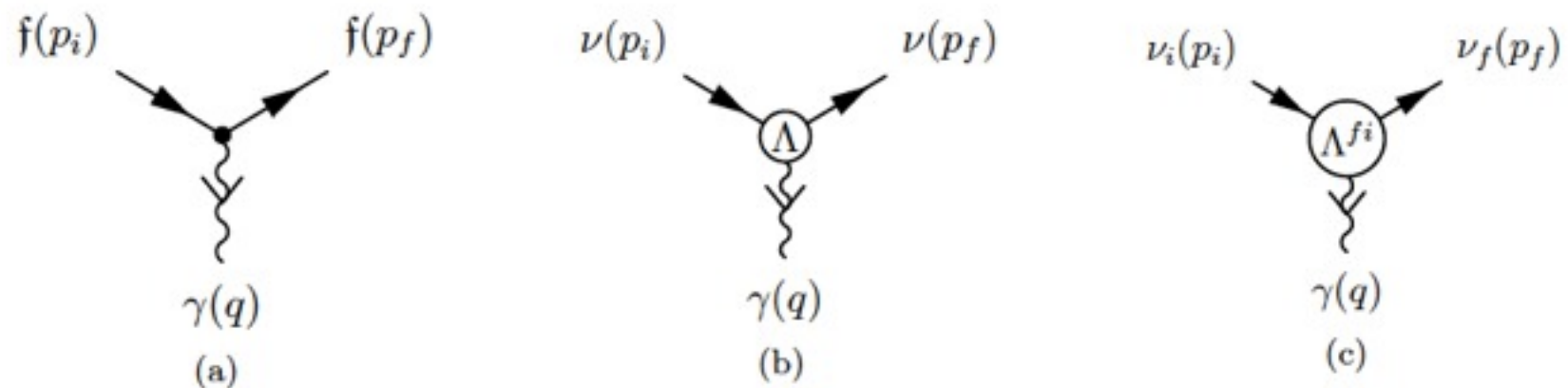
If this holds:  
conclusions about  $\tau$   
sensitivity translate  
directly (within a  
non negligible  
uncertainty range)  
on  $m_{ee}$  sensitivity



- Neutrinoless DBD is not the only experimental probe for Majorana neutrinos
- Electromagnetic properties of neutrinos could work as well
- Neutrino magnetic moment and mass are strictly related:

$$\mu^{\nu_e} = \frac{3eG_F}{\sqrt{2}8\pi^2} m_{\nu_e} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-19} \mu_B \left( \frac{m_{\nu_e}}{1\text{eV}} \right)$$

- Couplings:



- (a) Tree-level coupling of a charged fermion  $f$  with a photon  $\gamma$
- (b) Effective coupling of a neutrino  $\nu$  with a photon
- (c) Effective coupling of neutrinos with a photon including transitions between two different  $i$   $\nu_i$  and  $\nu_f$

**(b) is forbidden for a Majorana ( $f_Q=f_M=f_E=0$ ) neutrino so observation of  $\mu^\nu$  would signal that neutrinos are Dirac particles ( $f_E=0$ ).**

Unfortunately, astrophysical or cosmological sensitivities are much worse!

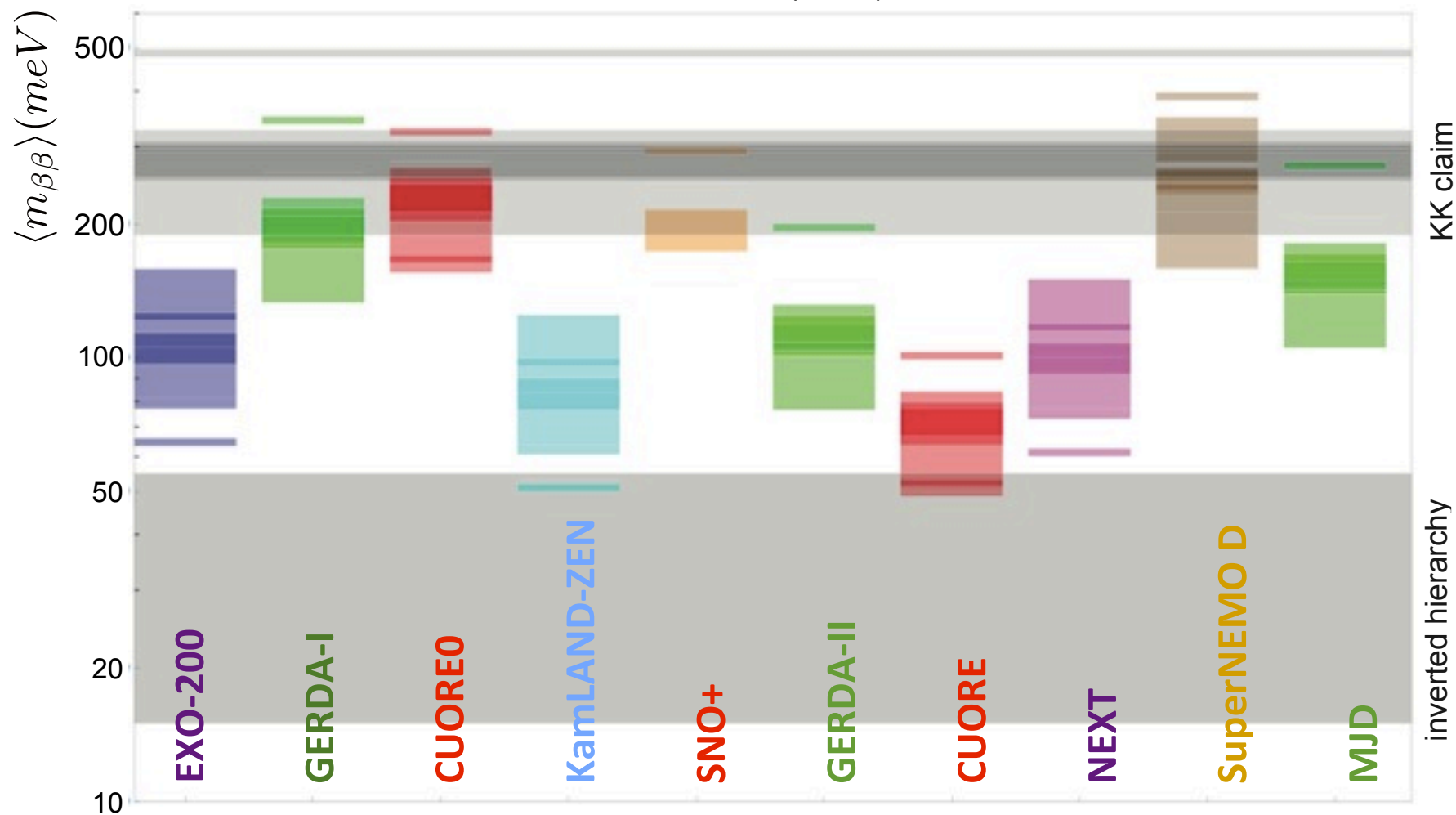
Bounds:

- **Astrophysics:**  $\mu^{\nu_e} \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-12} \mu_B$

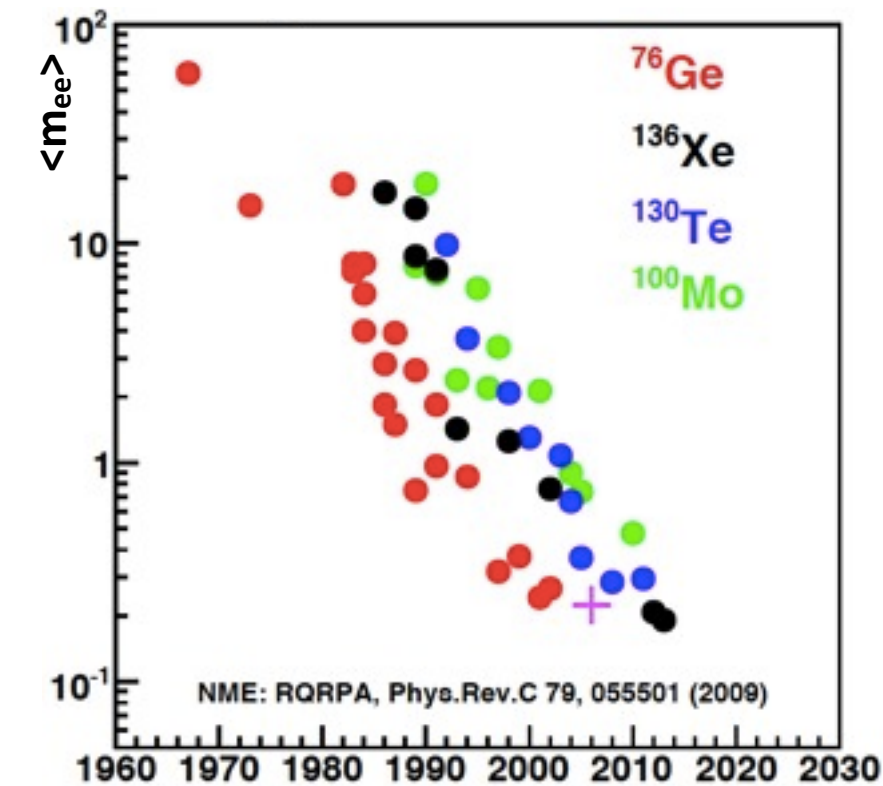
- **Reactors (Beda et al. (GEMMA Coll.) 2012)**  $\mu^{\nu_e} \leq 2.9 \cdot 10^{-11} \mu_B$

# DBD perspectives

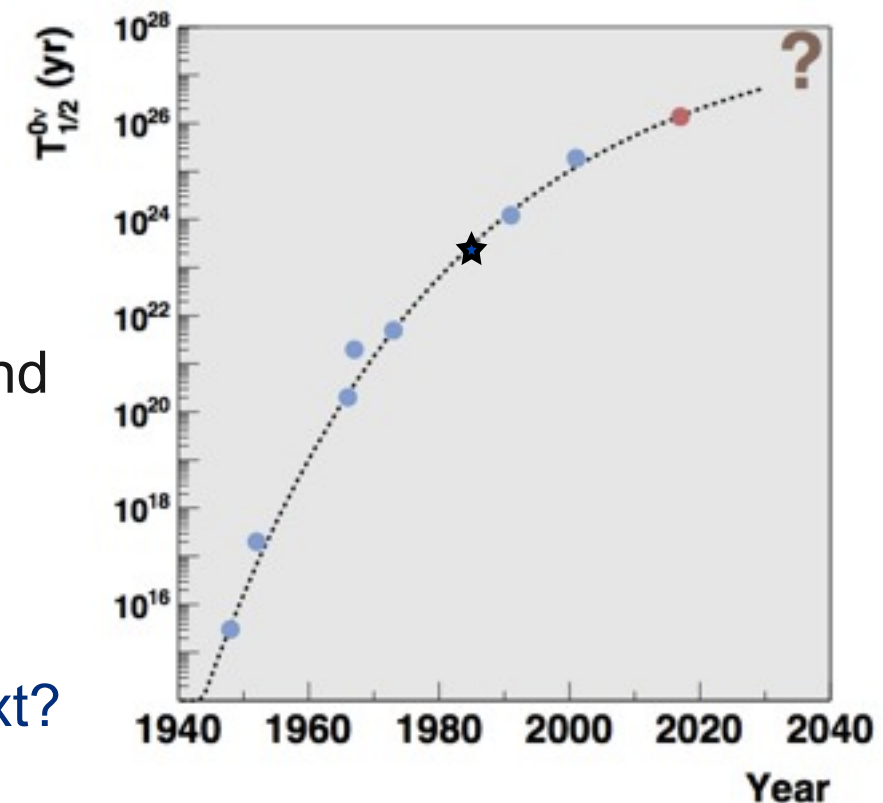
JJ Gomez-Cadenas, Riv. Nuovo. Cim. 35 (2012) 29



Published results as a function of time



Sensitivity of next generation experiments to the neutrino effective mass  $m_{ee}$  under assuming optimistic experimental assumptions and five different frameworks for NME calculations.



What's next?

## Concept:

- Neutrino number density  $\sim 112$  neutrinos per  $\text{cm}^3$  per species.

$$f_\nu = \frac{\Omega_\nu}{\Omega_m} = \frac{\sum_i m_i(\nu)}{93\Omega_m h^2 \text{eV}} \approx 0.08 \left| \frac{\sum_i m_i(\nu)}{1(\text{eV})} \right|$$

- Neutrinos disturb the delicate balance between gravity and the Hubble expansion.
- eV neutrinos however stream:  $d_{\text{FS}} \sim 1 \text{ Gpc}/m_\nu(\text{eV})$
- Therefore they suppress structure formation for scales smaller than  $d_{\text{FS}}$  while leaving unaffected larger scales.
- This can be detected in small alterations to the CMB, via gravitational lensing.

## Model ingredients:

- General relativity holds at all length scales
- The universe is flat and consists of photons, three neutrinos, baryons, cold dark matter, and dark energy.
- The initial conditions are those of the simplest single-field inflation model (adiabatic perturbations described by a single spectral index).

→ In total: six free parameters + neutrino masses for the simplest model.



# Cosmological bounds

- Present bounds on neutrino masses depend on the used data set and model (allowed parameters)
- A variety of data sets and models are available and many analyses can be found in the literature

PLANCK analysis of cosmological parameter (arXiv:1303.5076)

$$\Sigma m_\nu < 1.08 \text{ eV @ 95 C.L. (Planck only)}$$

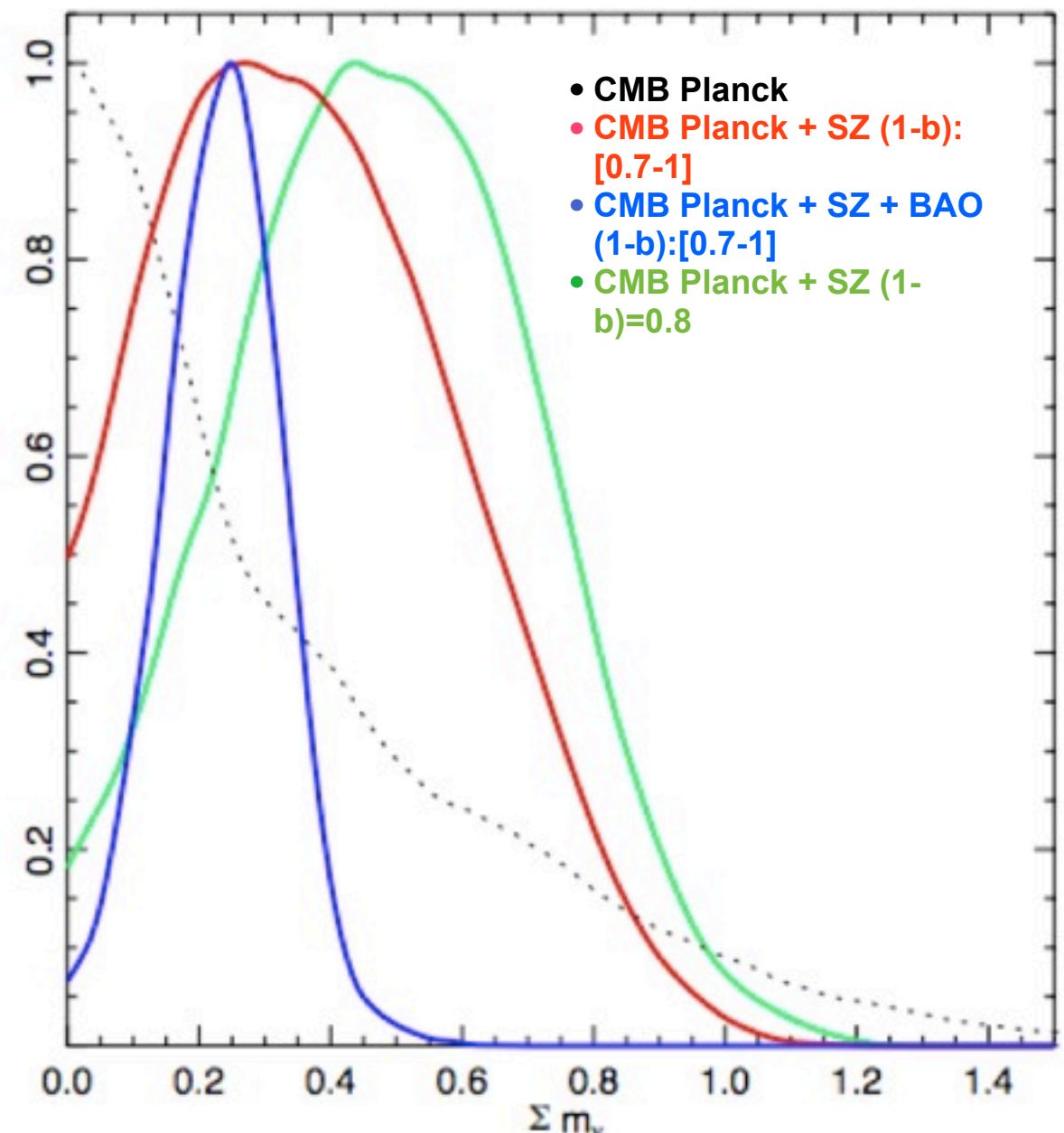
$$\Sigma m_\nu < 0.32 \text{ eV @ 95 C.L. (Planck + BAO)}$$

## $\Sigma m(\nu)$ constraints

- Planck has identified 189 galaxy clusters via the Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect on the CMB.
- These clusters can be used to measure  $\Sigma m(\nu)$  via its effect on galaxy structure formation.
- CMB data + BAO indicates that more clusters should have been found, indicating some tension in the data.
- One possible solution is to introduce a neutrino mass of magnitude

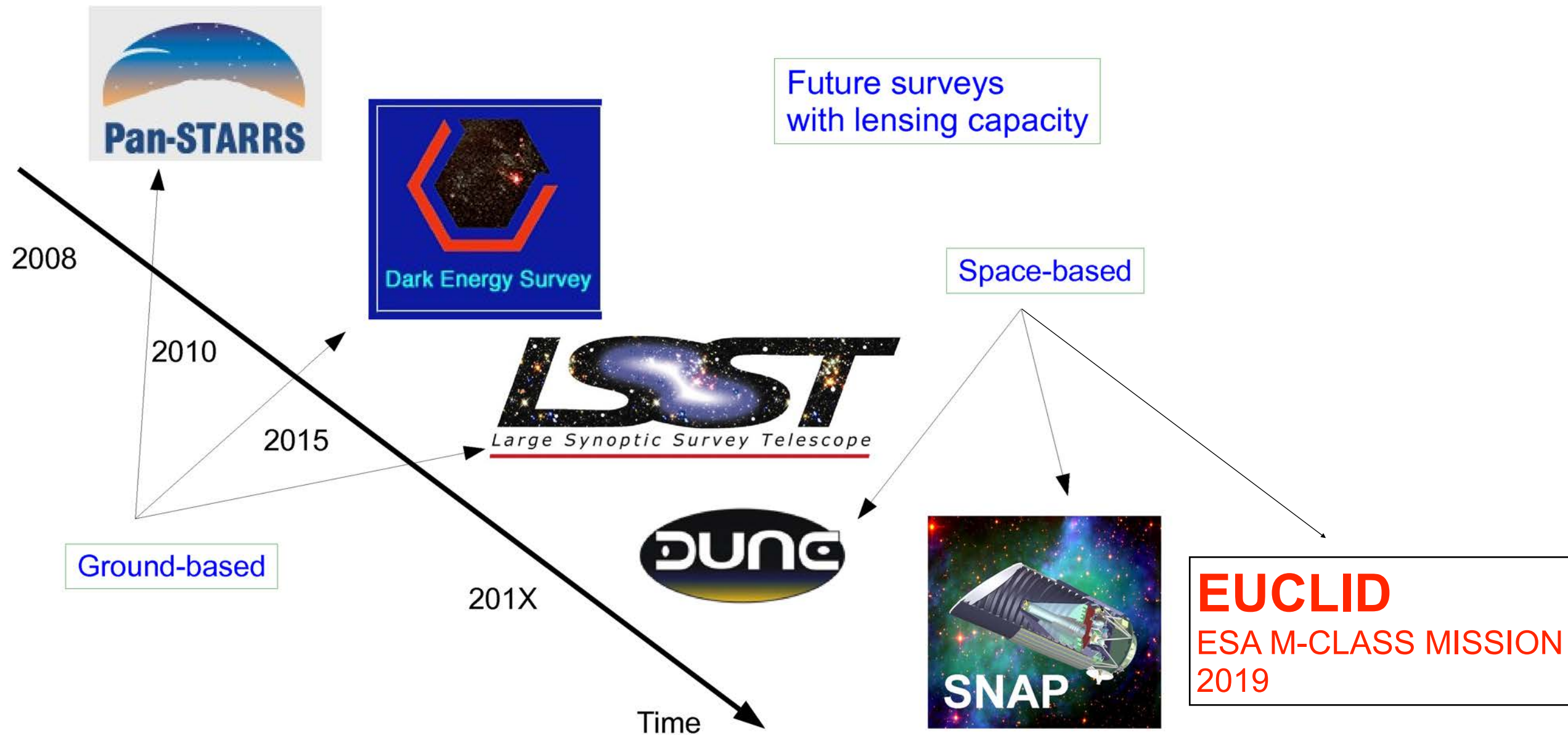
$$\Sigma m(\nu) = 0.58 \pm 0.20 \text{ eV}$$

The same effect was seen last year by the SPT (Zou, et al., arXiv:1212:6267)



# What's next?

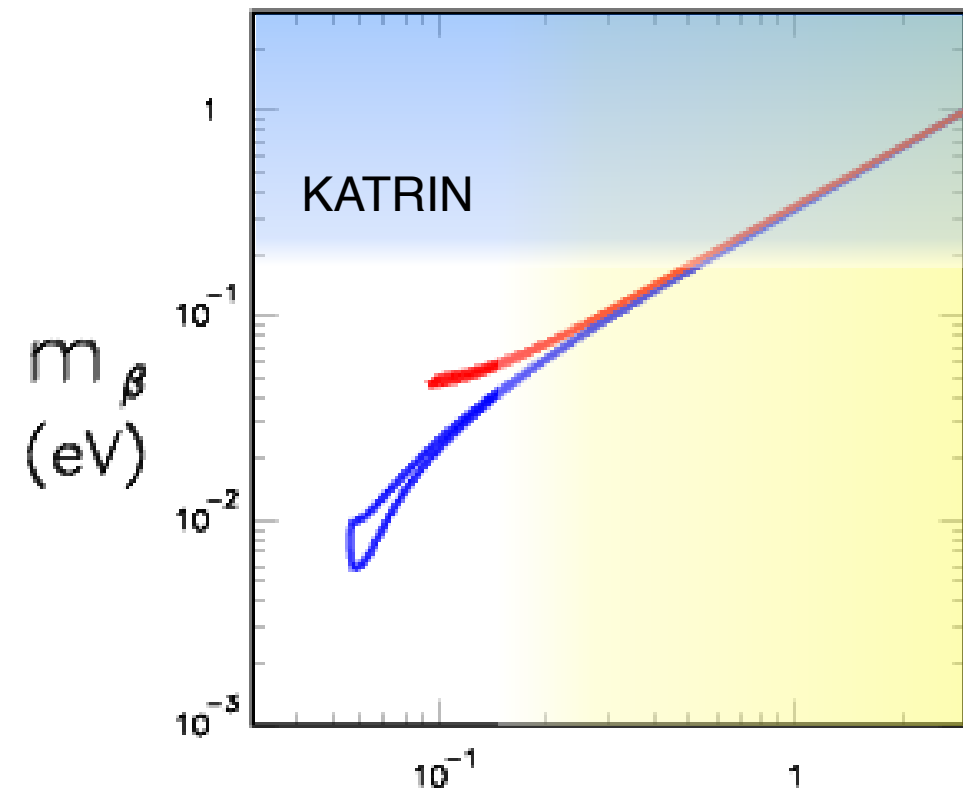
- ❖ Improved CMB polarization measurements
- ❖ Large scale surveys at higher redshifts and larger volumes
- ❖ Weak gravitational lensing on large scales



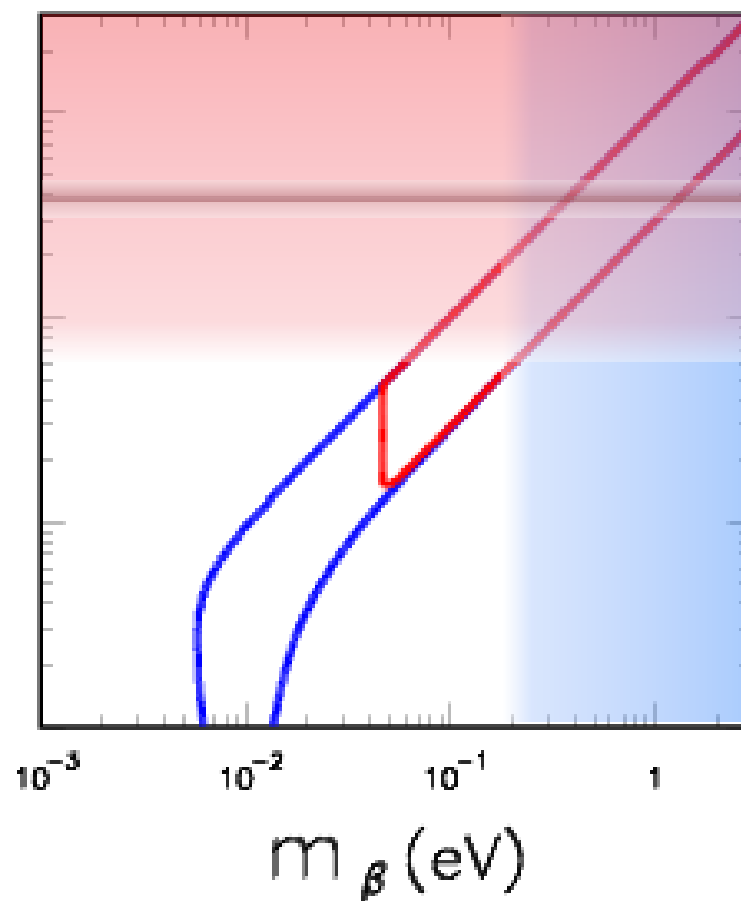
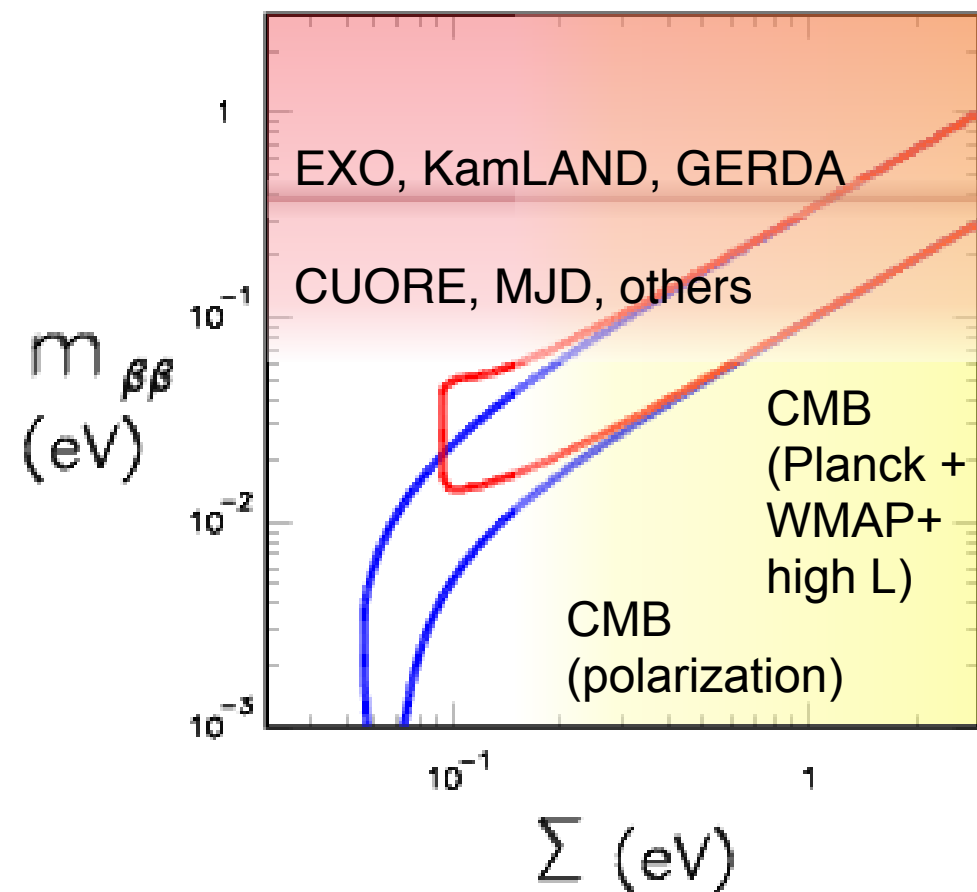
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# Combining results

Short term expectations: ~ 5 years



2 $\sigma$  bounds  
 — Inverted Hierarchy  
 — Normal Hierarchy



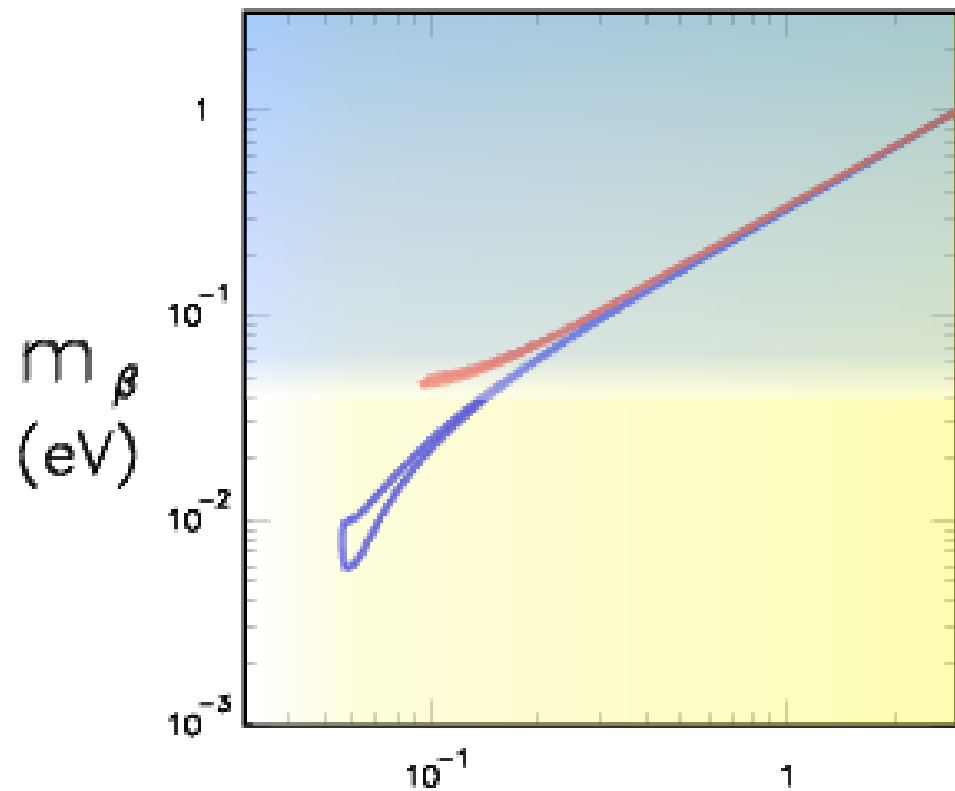
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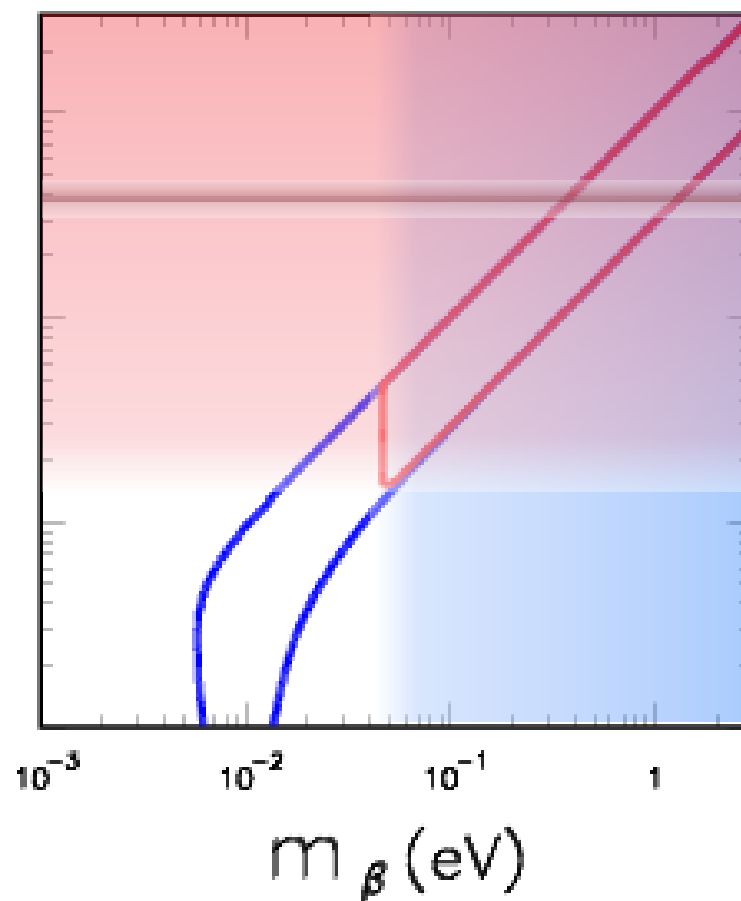
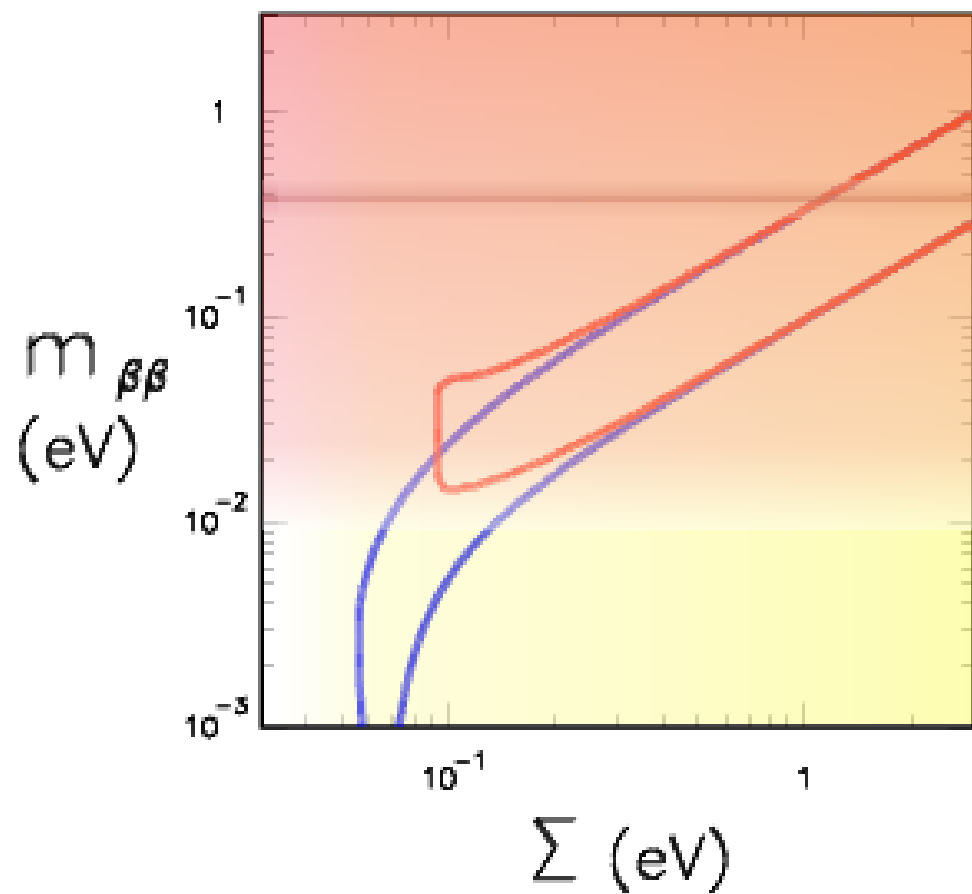
# Combining results

G.L Fogli, et al, PRD 78 033010 (2008), arXiv:hep-ph/0805.2517v3

Long term expectations: 10-20 years



2 $\sigma$  bounds  
— Inverted Hierarchy  
— Normal Hierarchy



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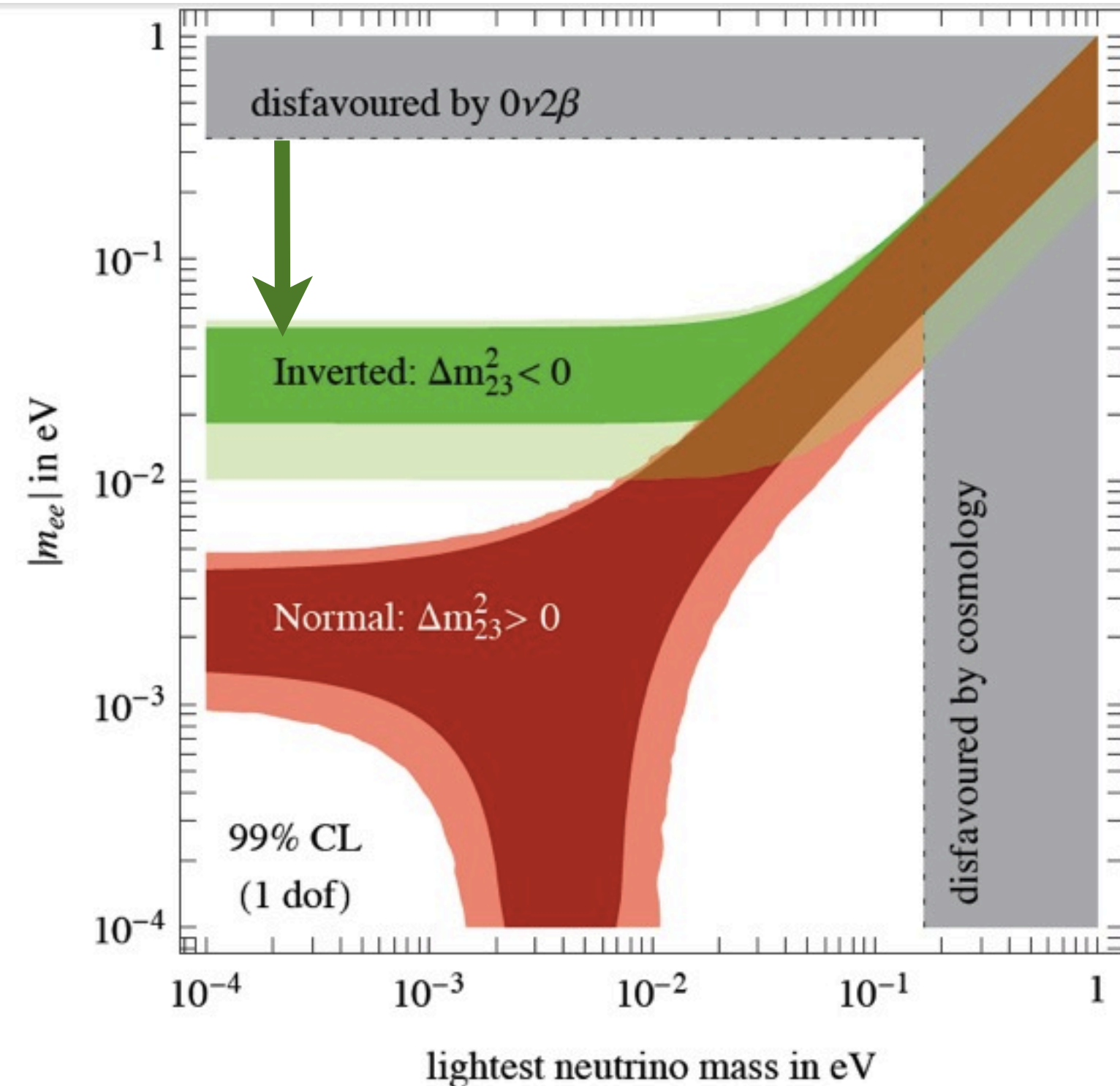


# Conclusions

- Neutrino physics has still many urgent open questions
- Neutrino masses can get rid of some of them
- All available complementary approaches must be pursued
  - $\beta\beta 0\nu$  is our only probe of the Majorana/Dirac nature of neutrinos
  - Tritium beta decay is our only model-independent probe
  - Cosmological probes present a good chance to make a observation
- For next generation experiments the technical challenge is becoming daunting
- The effort will require always larger collaborations and presumably few challenging experiments

# Backup slides

# $\beta\beta 0\nu$ and neutrino masses



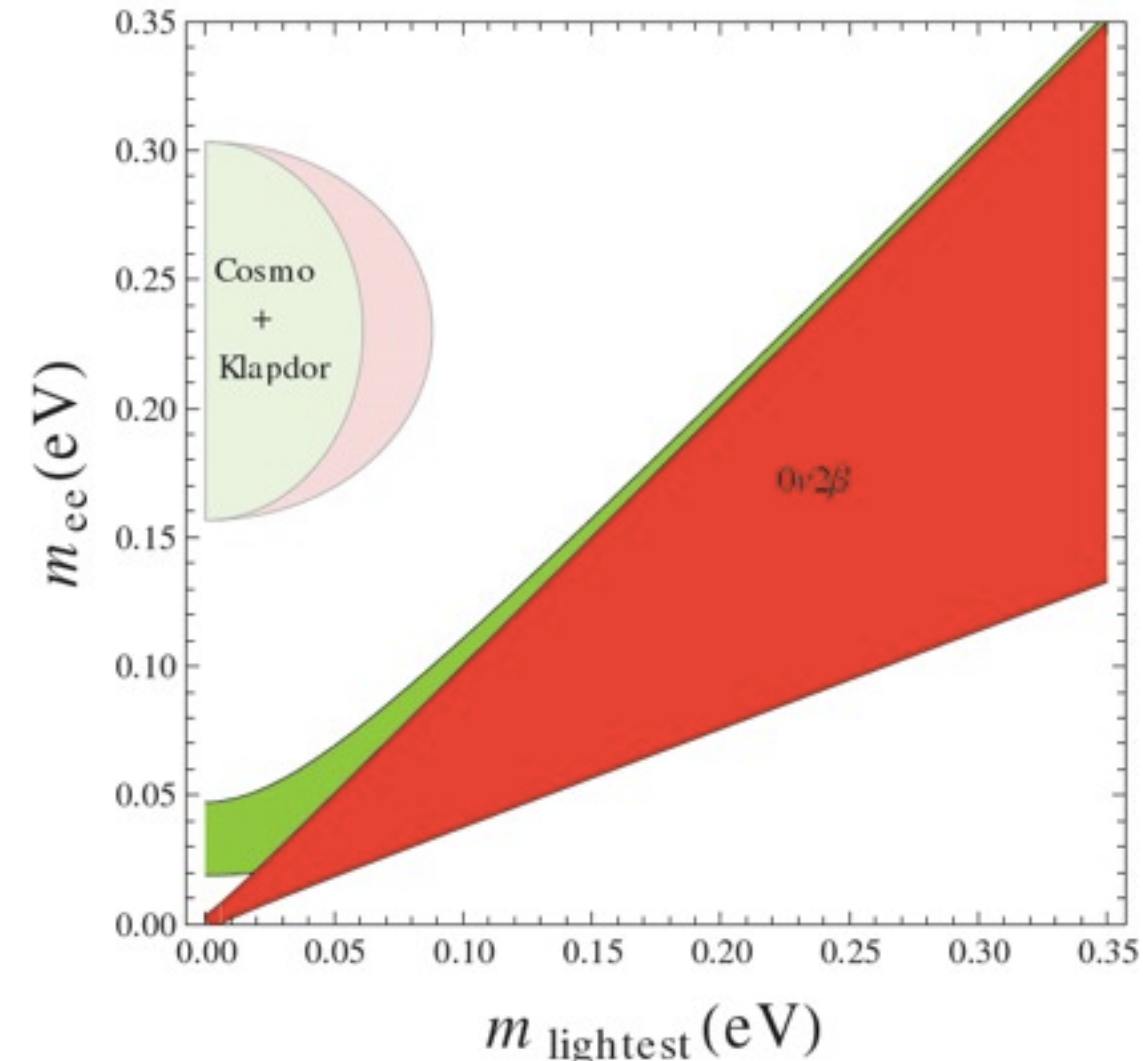
↓ neutrinos must be Majorana particles  
 ↓ uncertainties in  $M^{0\nu}$

Thanks to the information from oscillations  $m_{ee}$  can be expressed in terms of three unknown quantities:

- the mass scale, represented by the mass of the lightest neutrino  $m_{\min}$
- the two Majorana phases.

It is then common to distinguish three mass patterns:

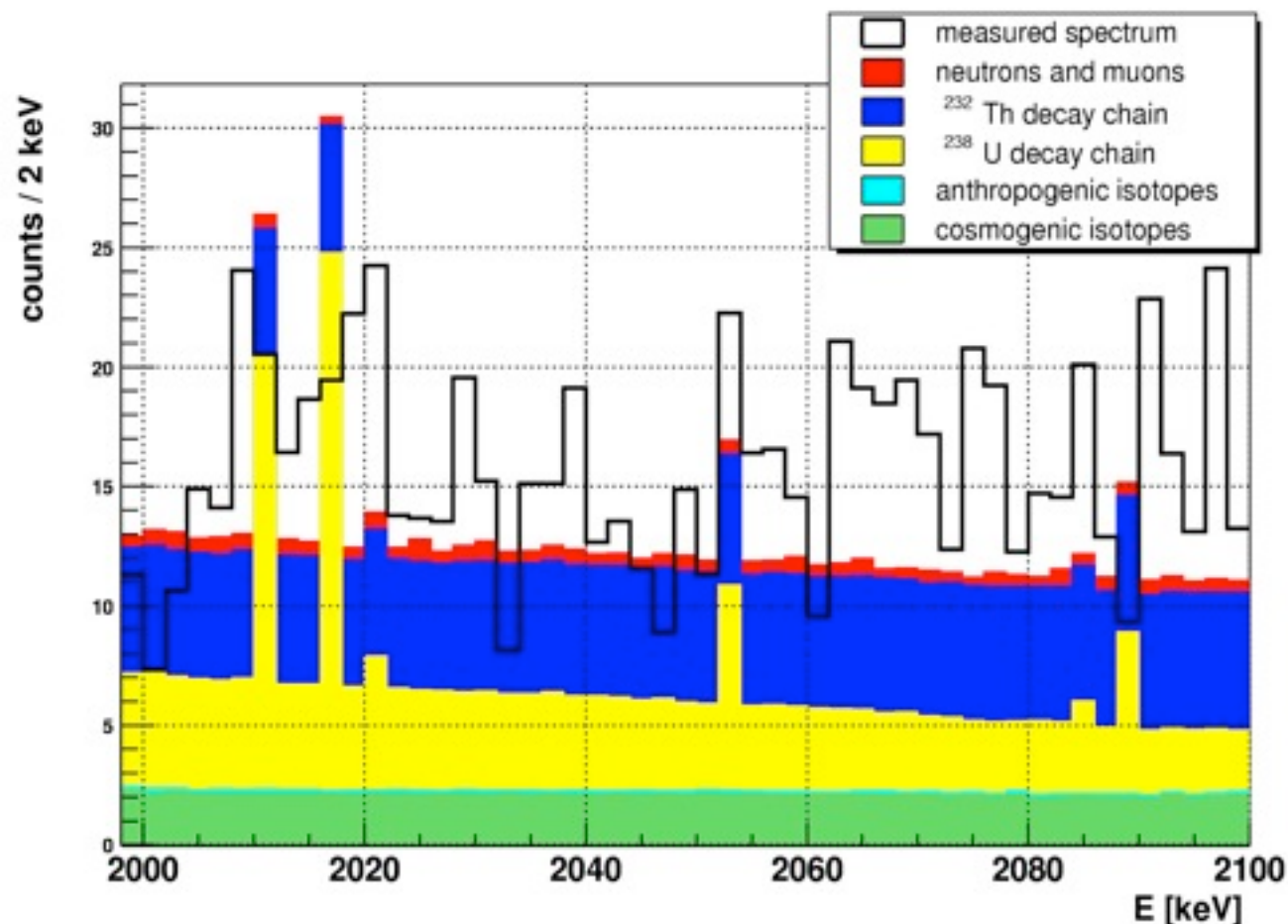
- **normal hierarchy (NH)**, where  $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$
- **inverted hierarchy (IH)** where  $m_3 < m_1 < m_2$
- **quasi-degenerate pattern (QD)**, where the differences between the masses are small with respect to their absolute values





# Heidelberg-Moscow

- 5 HP-Ge crystals, enriched to 87% in  $^{76}\text{Ge}$   
total active mass of 10.96 kg  $\Rightarrow$  125.5 moles of  $^{76}\text{Ge}$
- run from 1990 to 2003 in Gran Sasso Underground Laboratory
- total statistics 71.7 kg $\times$ y  
820 moles $\times$ y
- main background from U/Th in the set-up  
 $b \approx 0.11$  c/keV/kg/y at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$
- lead box and nitrogen flushing of the detectors
- digital Pulse Shape Analysis (PSA)



1990 – 2001 data  
exposure = 35.5 kg $\times$ y SSD

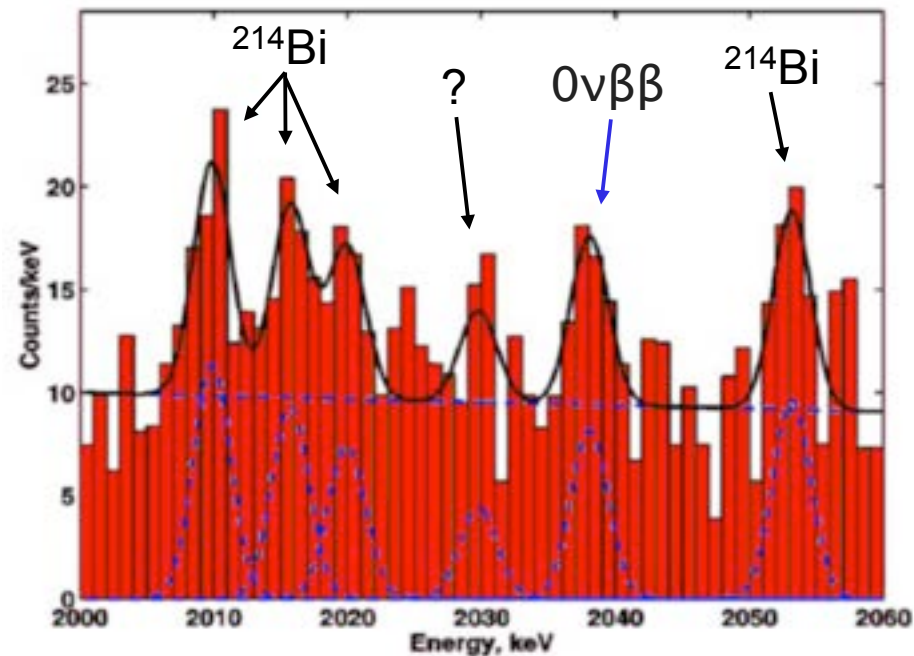
$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.9 \times 10^{25}$  years

$\langle m_{\nu} \rangle < 0.35$  eV (0.3 – 1.24 eV)

# H.V.Klapdor et al.: $^{76}\text{Ge}$ $0\nu\beta\beta$ evidence

First claim in January 2002 (**Klapdor-Kleingrothaus HV et al. hep-ph/0201231**) with a statistics of 55 kg y and a 2.2-3.1 statistical significance  $\rightarrow$  strong criticism

Claim confirmed in 2004 with the addition of a significant ( $\sim 1/4$ ) new statistics and improved in the following years



**1990 – 2003 data, all 5 detectors  
exposure = 71.7 kg\*y**

$$T_{1/2} = 1.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ years}$$

$$\langle m \rangle = 0.44 \text{ eV}$$

H.V.Klapdor-Kleingrothaus *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B 586 (2004) 198

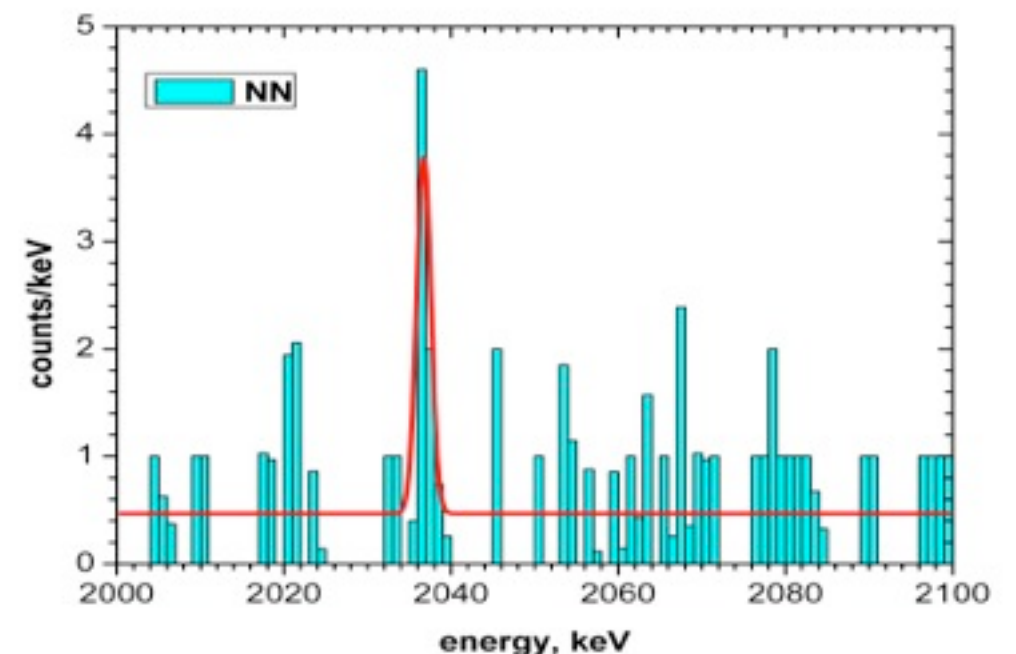
**1995-2003 data new re-analysis:  
SSE selection by MC & ANN**

**$6.4\sigma$  signal**

**$7.05 \pm 1.11$  events**

**$2.23^{+0.44}_{-0.31} 10^{25}$  years /  $0.32 \pm 0.03$  eV**

H.V.Klapdor-Kleingrothaus *et al.*, Phys. Scr. T127 (2006) 40–42

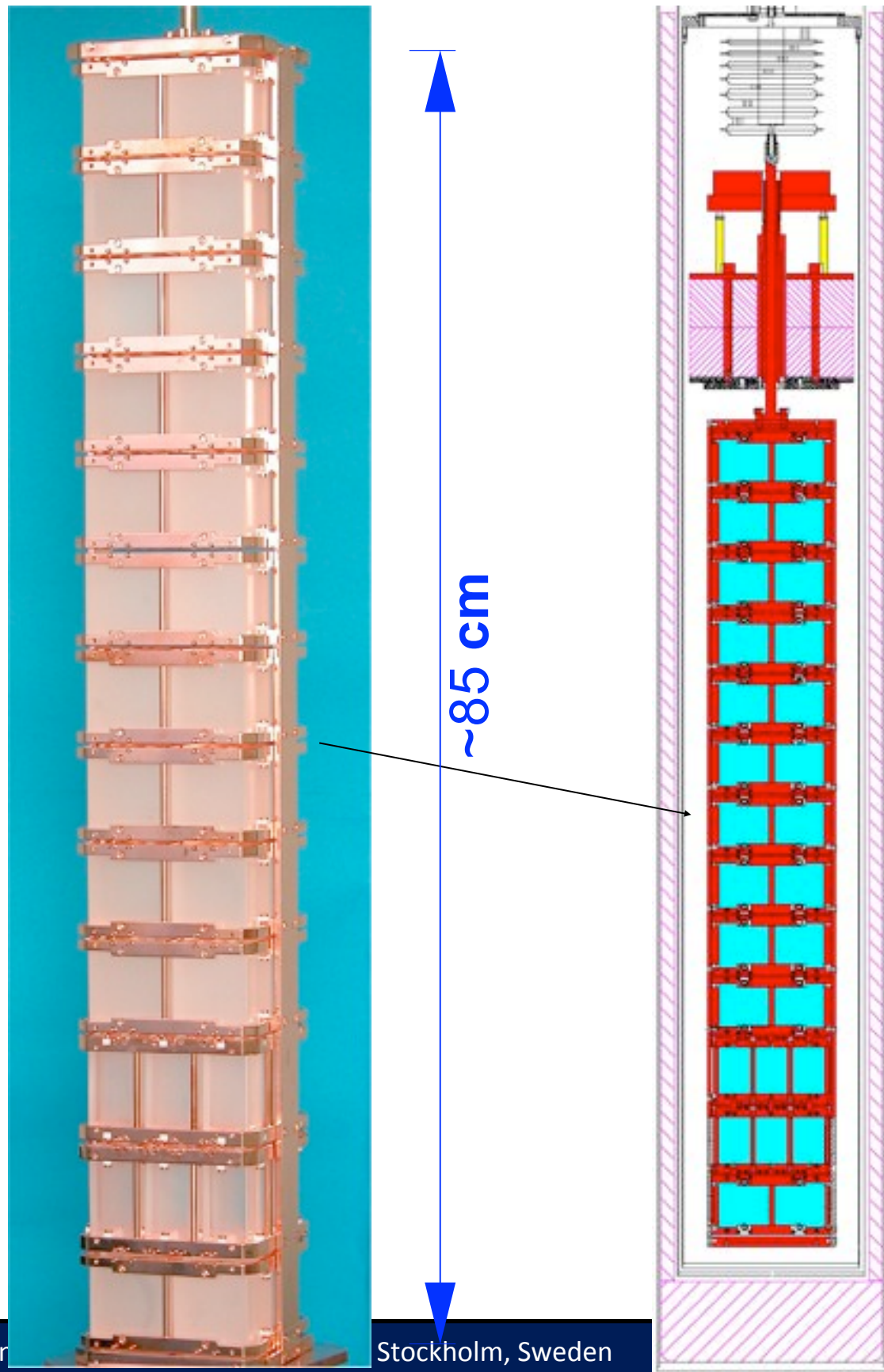


**all future experiment will certainly have to cope with this result**



# Cuoricino

Cuoricino tower: 62 TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals



## TeO<sub>2</sub> thermal calorimeters

Active isotope <sup>130</sup>Te

natural abundance: a.i. = 33.9%

transition energy:  $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2529$  keV

encouraging predicted half life

$\langle mv \rangle \approx 0.3$  eV  $\Leftrightarrow \left[ \frac{m}{\text{g}} \right]_{1/2}^{0\nu} \approx 10^{25}$  years

Absorber material TeO<sub>2</sub>

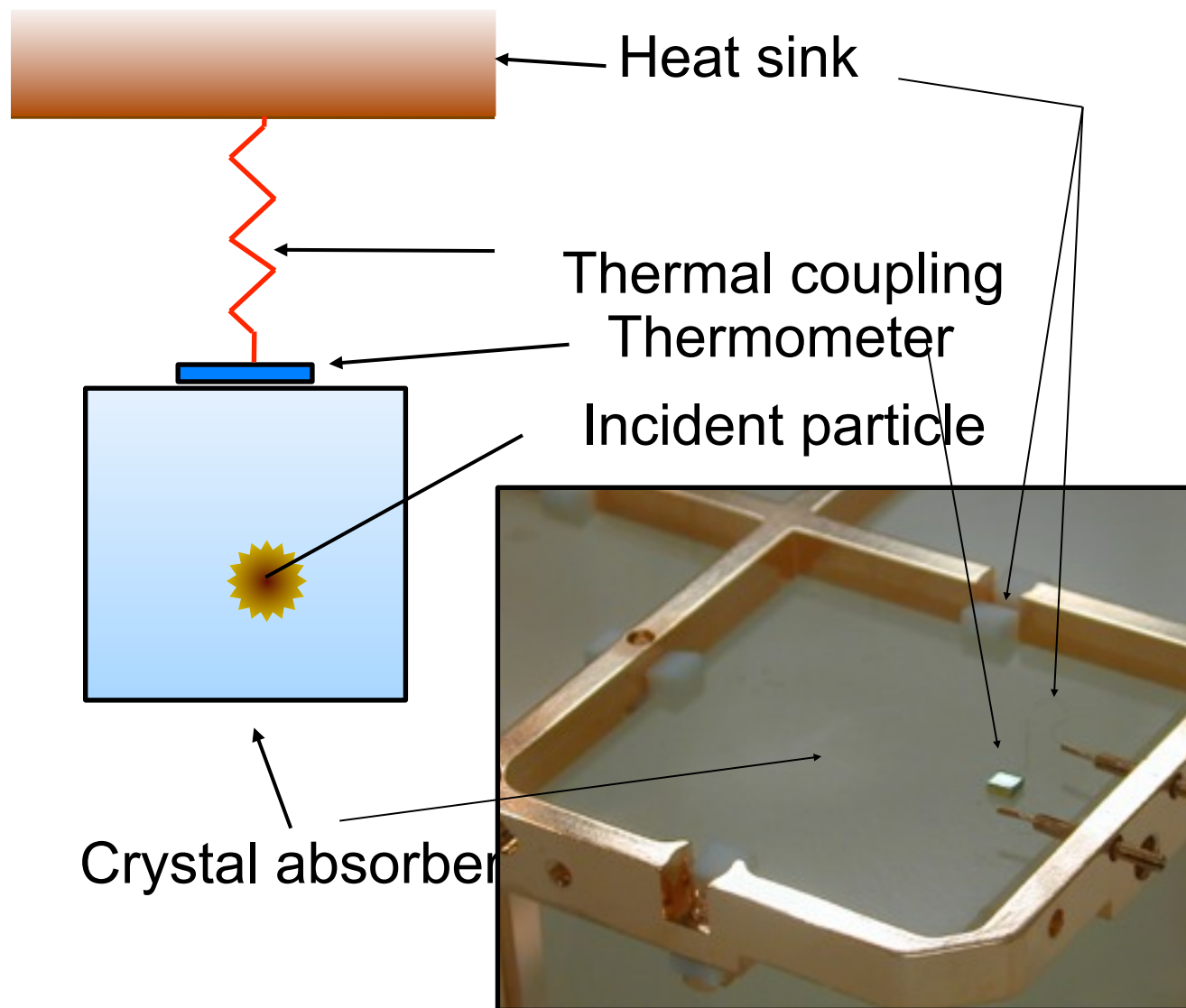
low heat capacity

large crystals available

radiopure

intermediate size  $\beta\beta$  experiment  
important test for  
radioactivity  
performance of large LTD arrays

# Low Temperature detectors



## Detection Principle

$$\Delta T = E/C$$

$C$ : thermal capacity

low  $C$

low  $T$  (i.e.  $T \ll 1\text{K}$ )

dielectrics, superconductors

ultimate limit to  $E$  resolution:  
statistical fluctuation of internal  
energy  $U$

$$\langle \Delta U^2 \rangle = k_B T^2 C$$

## Thermal Detectors Properties

good energy resolution

wide choice of absorber materials

true calorimeters

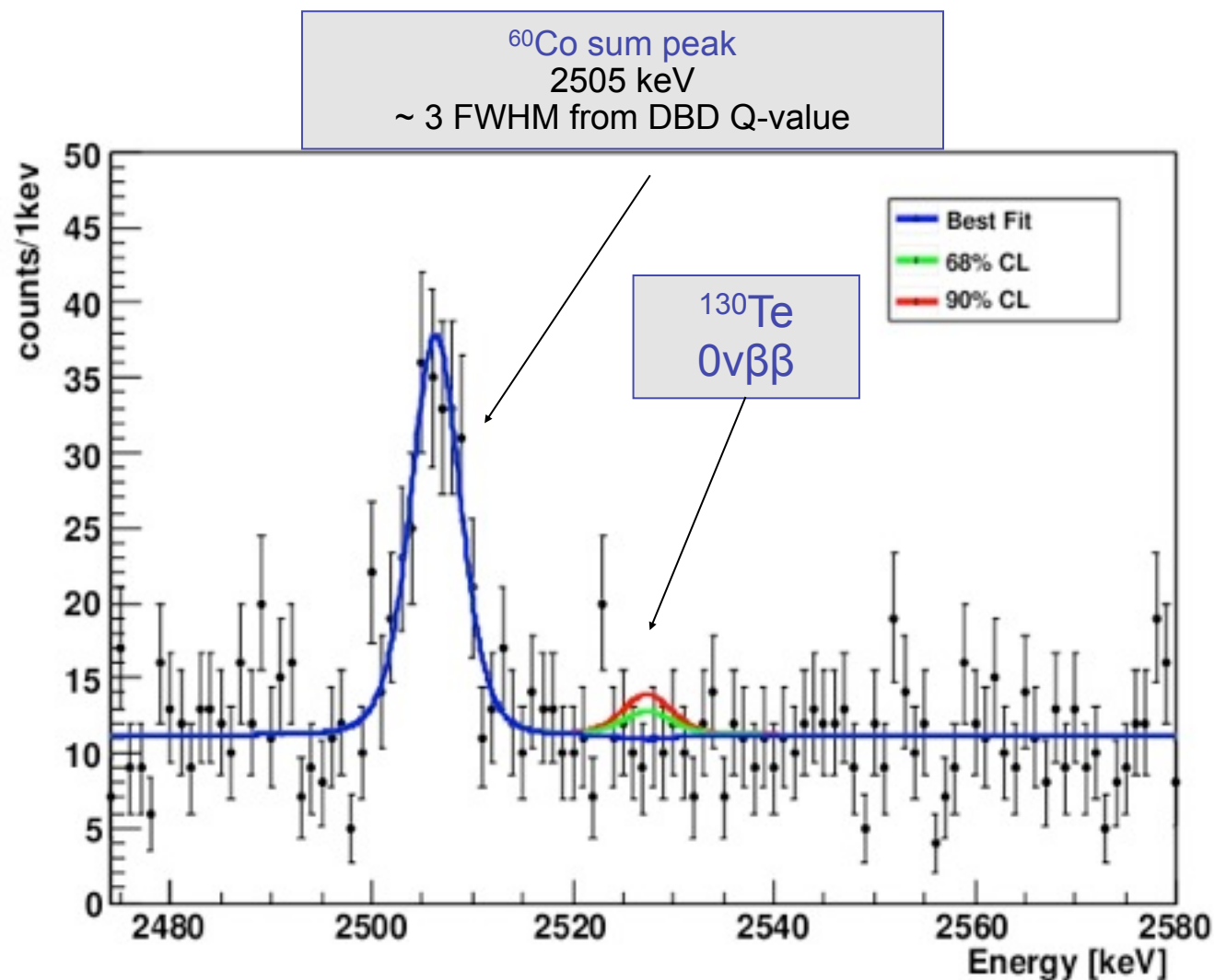
slow  $\tau = C/G \sim 1 \div 10^3$  ms



# Cuoricino Results

- total statistics 19.75 kg×y
- average energy resolution FWHM  $\Delta E = 7.5$  keV at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$
- anticoincidence applied to reduce surface U/Th background and external  $\gamma$ 's
- background level:  $b \approx 0.18 \pm 0.01$  c/keV/kg/y @  $Q_{\beta\beta}$

**30%  $\pm$  10%**  $^{208}\text{Tl}$  (cryostat contamination)  
**20%  $\pm$  10%**  $\text{TeO}_2$  surfaces ( $\alpha$  contaminations)  
**50%  $\pm$  10%** Cu surfaces ( $\alpha$  contaminations)



stopped in June 2008  
and disassembled

**TOTAL EXPOSURE**  
**19.75 [kg( $^{130}\text{Te}$ ) yr]**

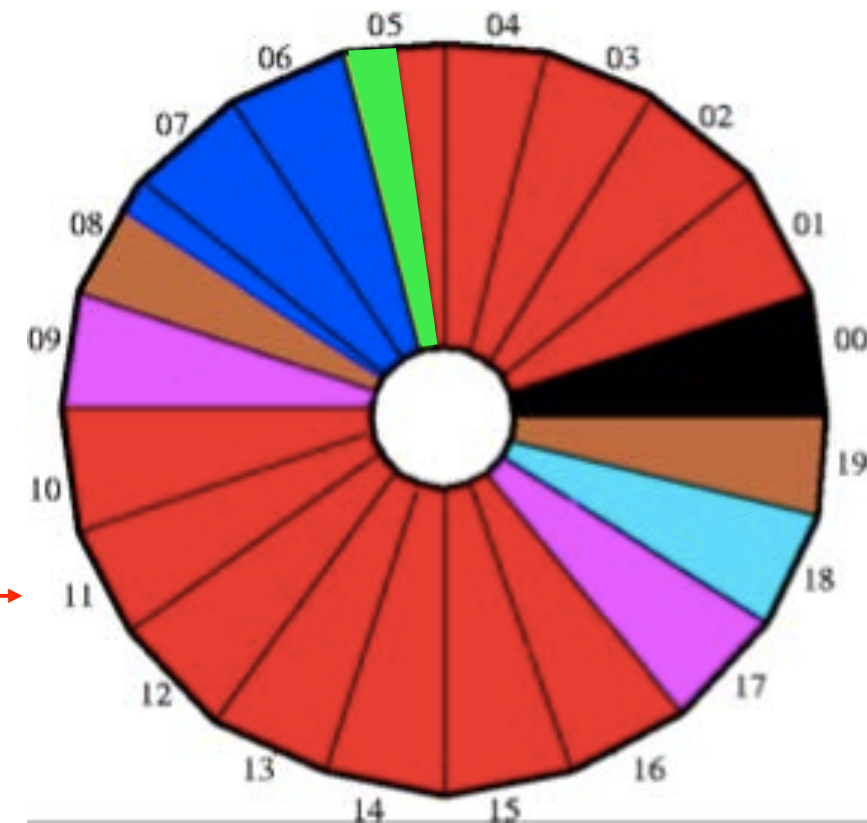
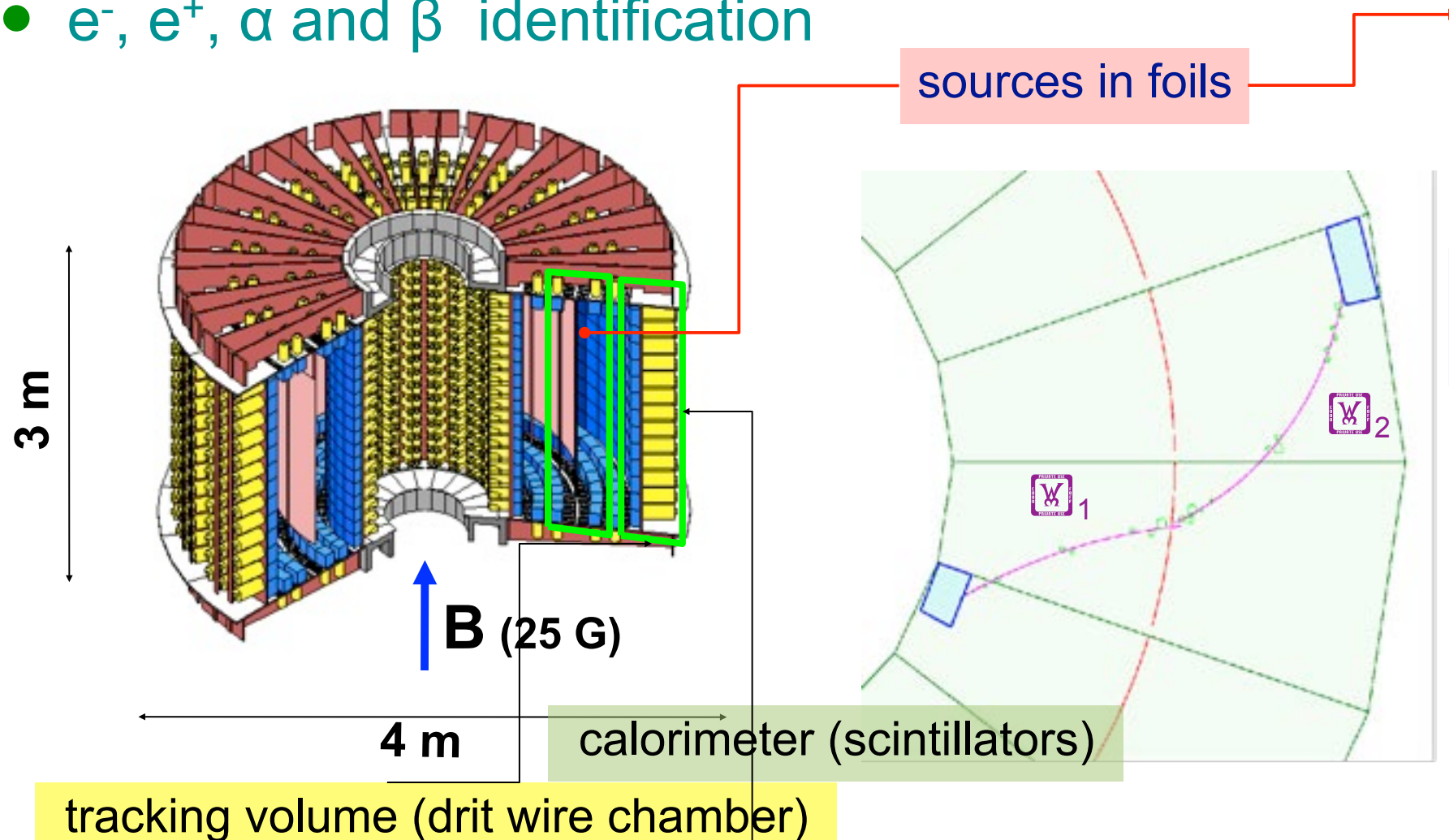
**@ 90% C.L.**  
 **$t_{1/2} > 2.8 \cdot 10^{24}$  [yr]**  
 **$m_{ee} < 0.3 \div 0.7^{1-4}$  eV**

- 1 Šimkovic et al., PRC 77 (2008) 045503
- 2 Civitarese et al., JoP:Conference series 173 (2009) 012012
- 3 Menéndez et al., NPA 818 (2009) 139
- 4 Barea and Iachello, PRC 79 (2009) 044301

# NEMO-3

## Tracking detector for $2\nu\beta\beta$ and $0\nu\beta\beta$ at Frejus (4800 m.w.e.)

- 10 kg of enriched material in foils
- 6180 geiger cells  $\Rightarrow$  drift wire chamber
- 1940 plastic scintillators + PMTs
- iron ( $\gamma$ ) + water with B (n) shielding + anti-Rn box
- $e^-$ ,  $e^+$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  identification



$^{100}\text{Mo}$	(6.9 kg)	$\rightarrow 0\nu\beta\beta$
$^{82}\text{Se}$	(0.9 kg)	
$^{130}\text{Te}$	(0.45 kg)	
$^{116}\text{Cd}$	(0.4 kg)	
$^{150}\text{Nd}$	(37g)	
$^{96}\text{Zr}$	(9.4 g)	
$^{48}\text{Ca}$	(7.0g)	
natTe	(0.5 kg)	
Cu	(0.6 kg)	

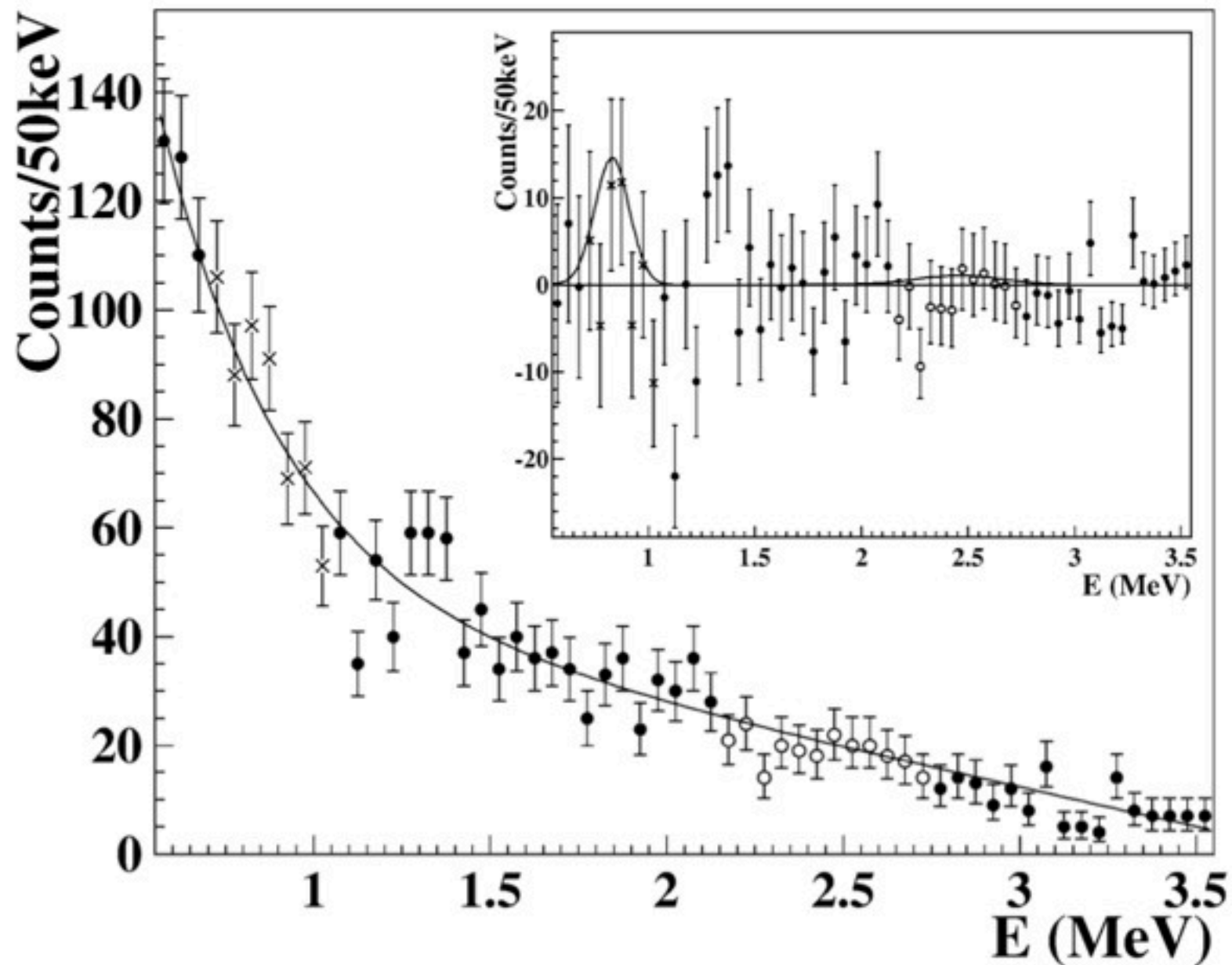


# DAMA/LXe

@LNGS since 2000

Liquid Scintillator Detector with LXe - 68.8% enrichment  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  – 4.47 kg  $^{136}\text{Xe}$

$N_{\beta\beta} = 2 \times 10^{25}$   $\Delta E/E$  (FWHM)  $\sim 20\%$  Bkg  $\sim 0.1$  c/keV/kg/y



$T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} > 1.2 \times 10^{24}$  y @ 90%CL

and “conservative”  $2\nu\beta\beta$  limits

- $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} (0+) > 1 \times 10^{22}$  y @ 90%CL
- $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} (2+) > 9.4 \times 10^{21}$  y @ 90%CL



# Experimental groups

## Homogeneous with high energy resolution

- **CUORE** -  $^{130}\text{Te}$
- **GERDA** -  $^{76}\text{Ge}$
- **MAJORANA** -  $^{76}\text{Ge}$
- **LUCIFER** -  $^{82}\text{Se}$  -  $^{116}\text{Cd}$  -  $^{100}\text{Mo}$

## Homogeneous with high energy resolution and tracking

- **NEXT** -  $^{136}\text{Xe}$
- **COBRA** -  $^{116}\text{Cd}$

## Homogeneous with low energy resolution

- **KamLAND-ZEN** -  $^{136}\text{Xe}$
- **SNO+** -  $^{150}\text{Nd}$
- **XMASS** -  $^{136}\text{Xe}$
- **CANDLES** -  $^{48}\text{Ca}$

## Inhomogeneous with low energy resolution

- **SUPERNEMO** -  $^{82}\text{Se}$  or  $^{150}\text{Nd}$
- **MOON** -  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  or  $^{82}\text{Se}$  or  $^{150}\text{Nd}$
- **DCBA** -  $^{150}\text{Nd}$

**Ge diodes (86% enriched  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ ) in LAr cryostat (active in phase II) in water tank (active) BEGe technology in phase-II: better E resolution, Multi/Single interaction discrimination**  
 @LNGS Phase-I ~ end 2011 Phase-II ~ 2014

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  – Q 2039 keV

**Source Mass:**

Phase-I: 17.7 kg  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  –  $N_{\beta\beta}$   $1.4 \times 10^{26}$

Phase-II: +20.8 kg  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  –  $N_{\beta\beta}$   $3.0 \times 10^{26}$

**Projected Bkg:**

Phase-I: 0.01 c/keV/kg/y

Phase-II: 0.001 c/keV/kg/y

**Sensitivity  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$ :**

Phase-I:  $2.5 \times 10^{25}$  y in 1 y

Phase-II:  $1.9 \times 10^{26}$  y in 5 y

**Sensitivity  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ :**

I: Scrutinize KK claim (if true 7 bb cts over 0.5 cts of bkg) in < 2 y

II:  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 73 \div 203$  meV in 5 y > **IH**



# GERDA-I Background

GERDA is running and taking data

## Statistics:

- 19.2(coax) + 2.4 (BeGe) kg·y

## Systematics:

- blinding 2019 – 2059 keV

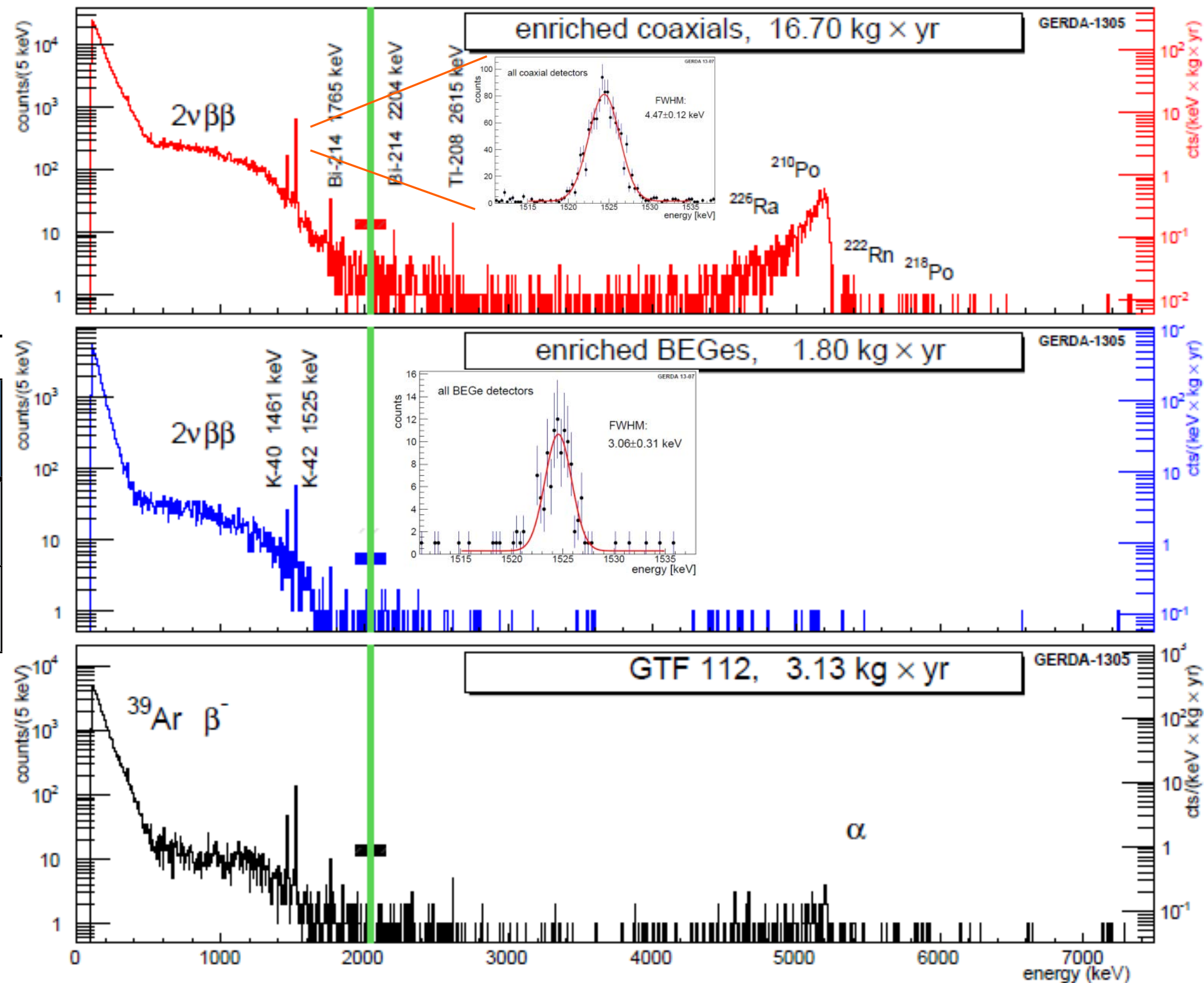
## Full background model:

arxiv:1306.5084

Type	Exposure (kg·y)	BI ( PSD) ( $10^{-3}$ c/kg/keV/y)
coax	16.70	$18 \pm 2$ $11 \pm 2$ (PSD)
BeGe	1.80	$40^{+10}_{-8}$ $5^{+4}_{-3}$ (PSD)

## PSD:

- very effective (mainly on BeGe)
- $\epsilon \sim 85-90\%$





988  $\text{TeO}_2$  (33.8% ai  $^{130}\text{Te}$ ) **bolometers** at  $\sim 10$  mK in a **granular structure** (741 kg mass)  
 @LNGS Phase-I (CUORE0): starts  $\sim$  mid 2012 Phase-II:  $\sim$  2014 Future: enr., scintillating bolom.?

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{130}\text{Te}$  – Q 2527.5 keV

**Source Mass:**

Phase-I: 10.8 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$  –  $N_{\beta\beta}$   $5.0 \times 10^{25}$

Phase-II: 206 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$  –  $N_{\beta\beta}$   $9.6 \times 10^{26}$

**Projected Bkg:**

Phase-I : 0.05 c/keV/kg/y

Phase-II: 0.01 c/keV/kg/y

**Resolution:**  $\sim 5$  keV @ROI

**Sensitivity  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$ :**

Phase-I:  $4.2 \times 10^{24}$  y in 1 y

Phase-II:  $1.6 \times 10^{26}$  y in 5 y

**Sensitivity Phase-II  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ :**

$\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 40 \div 94$  meV in 5y (IH)

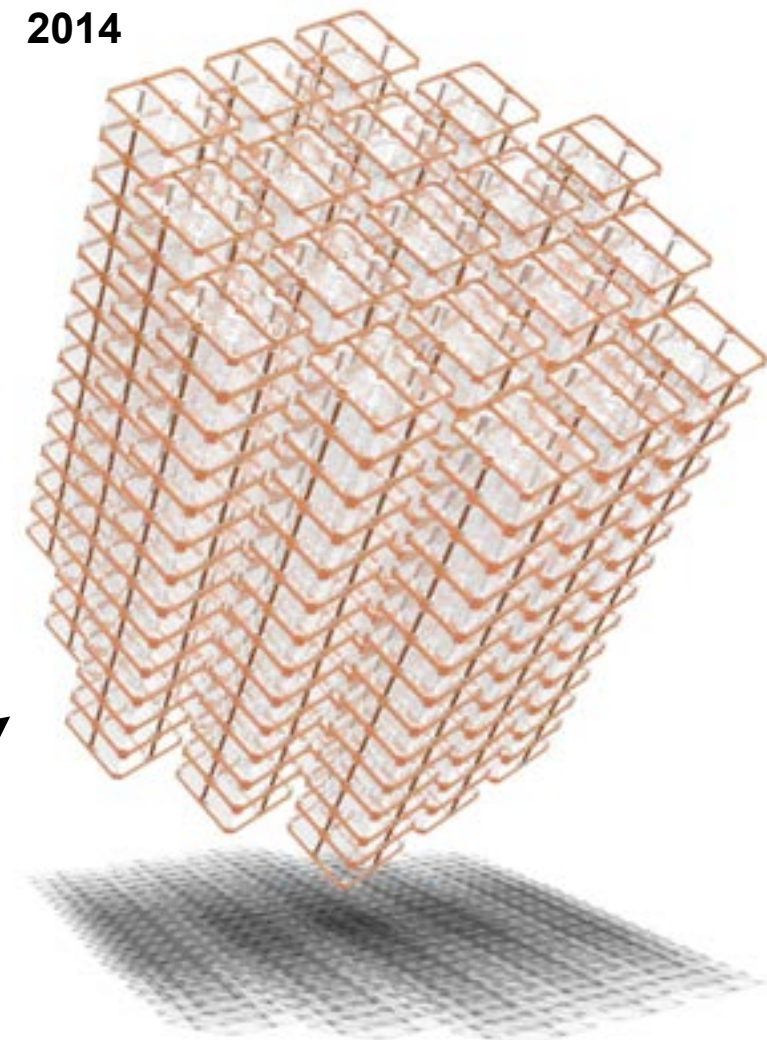
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CUORE0  
2011



CUORE  
2014



F. Bellini et al., Astrop. Phys. 33 (2010) 169  
 F. Alessandria et al., nucl-ex:1109.0494v1  
 C. Arnaboldi et al., Phys. Rev. C 78 (2008) 035502

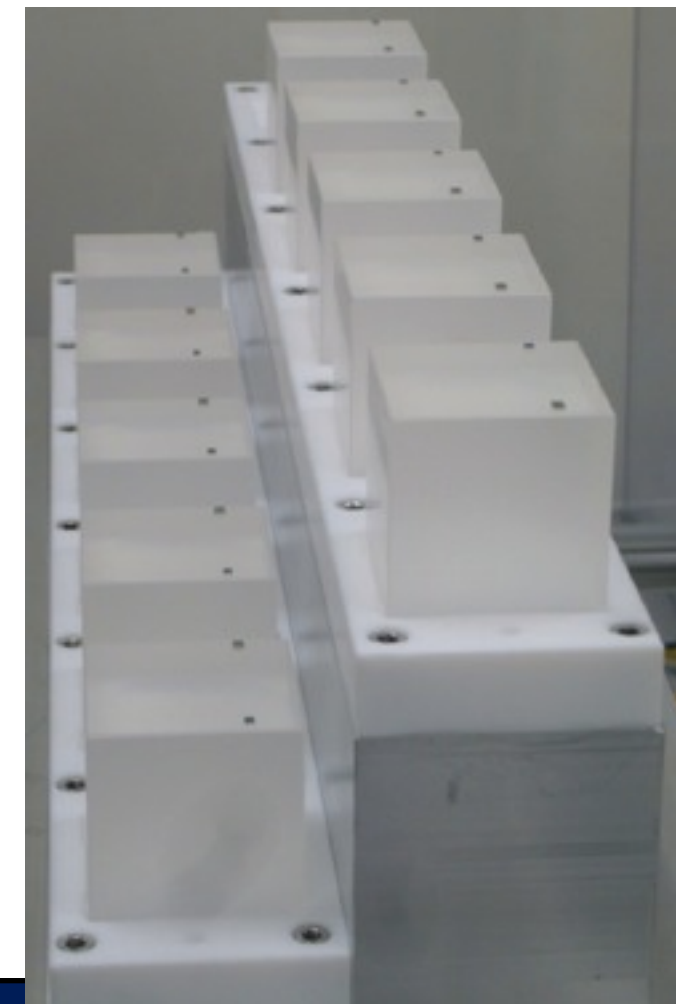
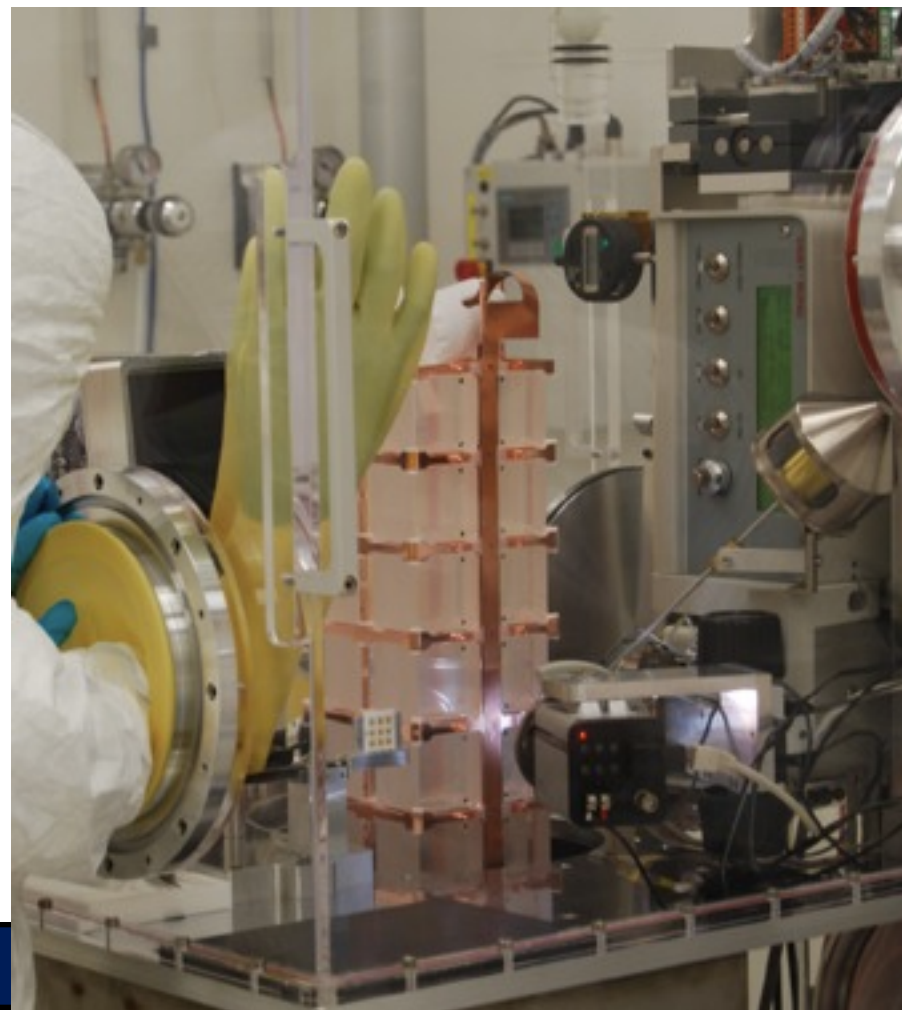
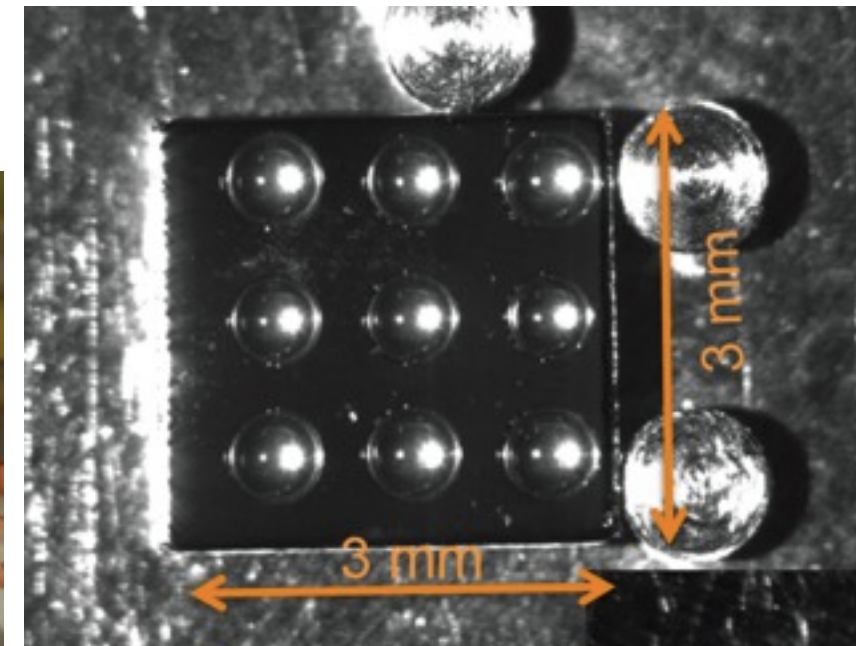
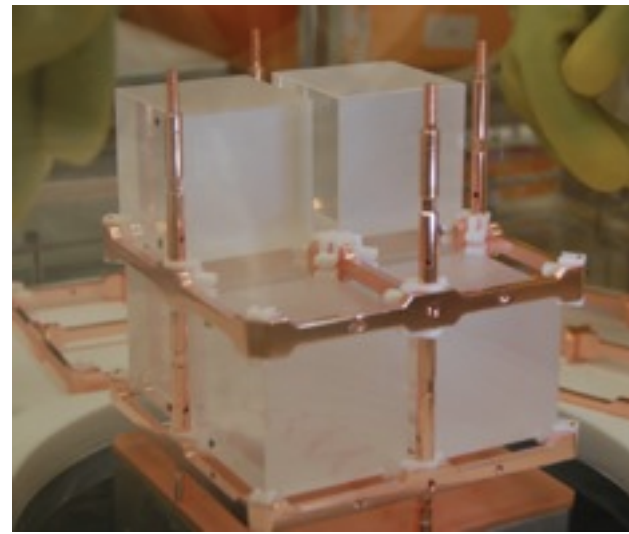
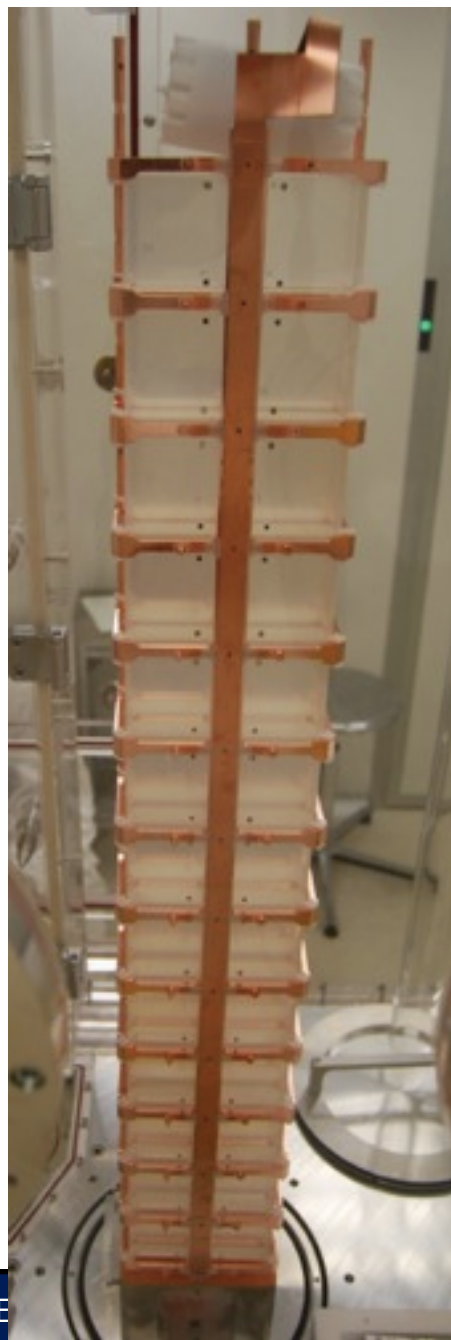


# CUORE-0

## Goals:

- full test and debug of the new CUORE assembly line
- high statistics check of the improved uniformity of bolometric response

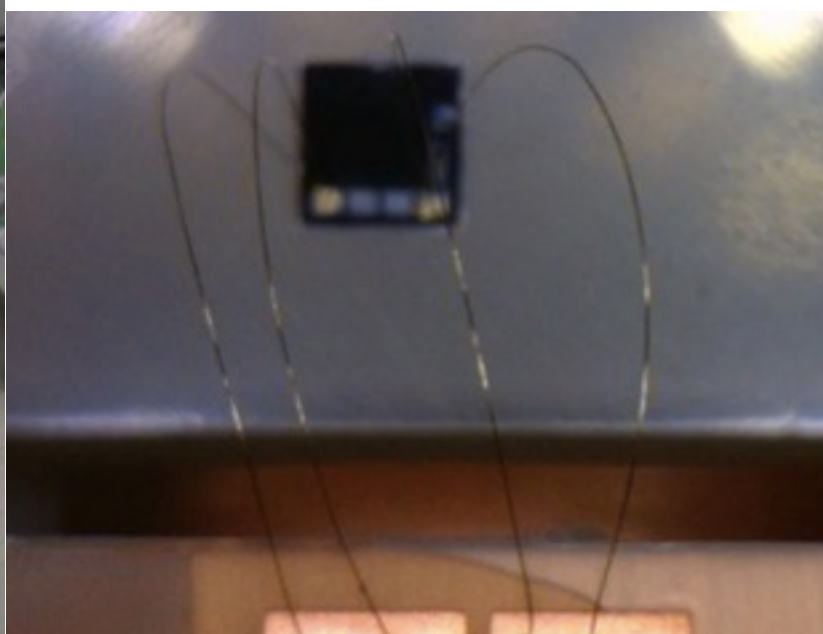
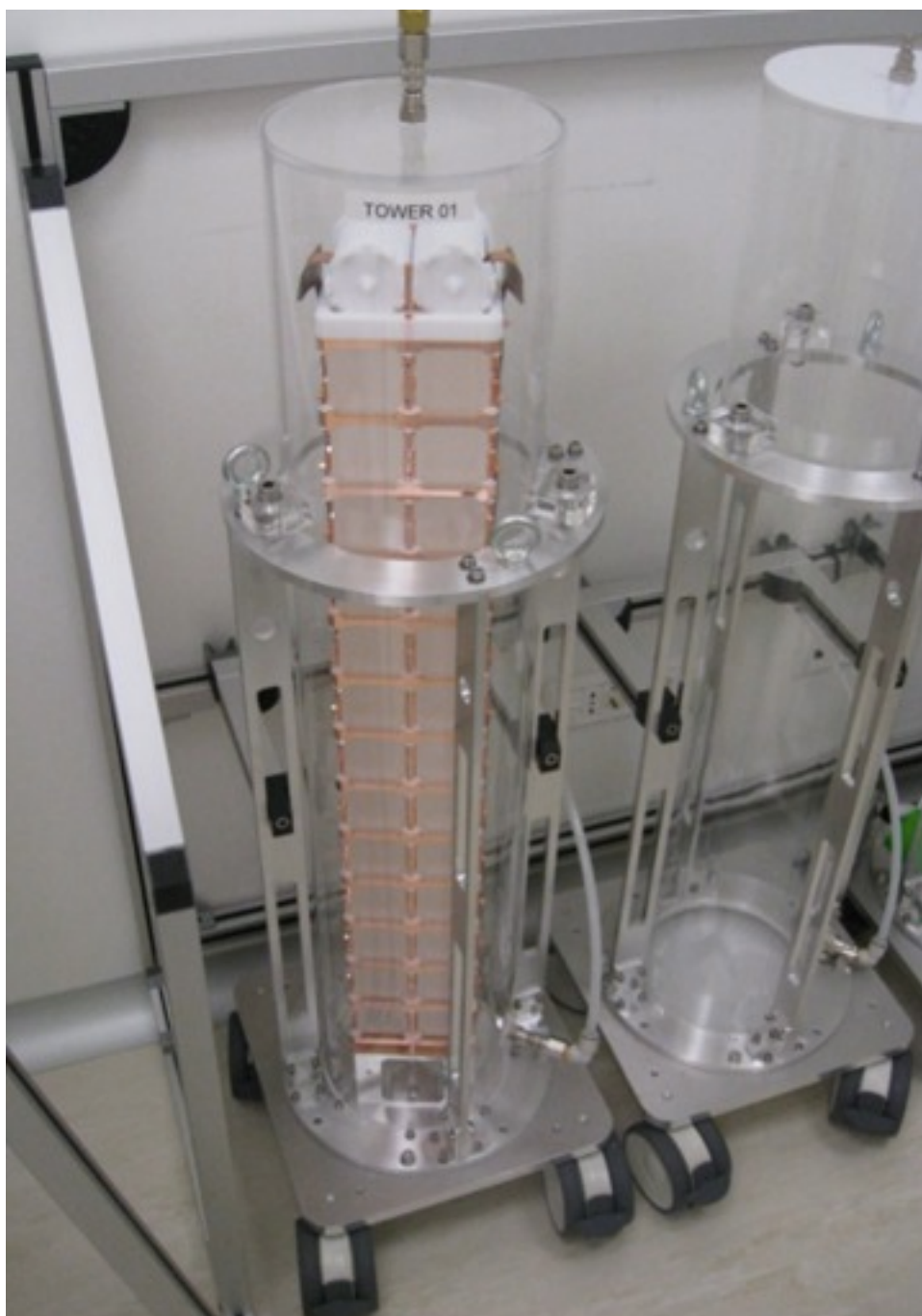
Background measurement started at the beginning of May 2013





# CUORE detector

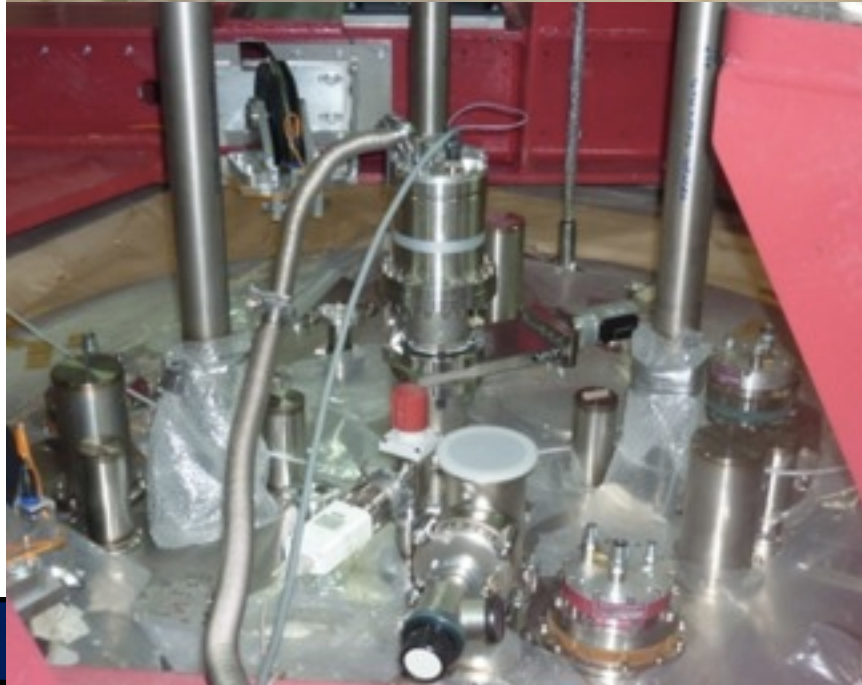
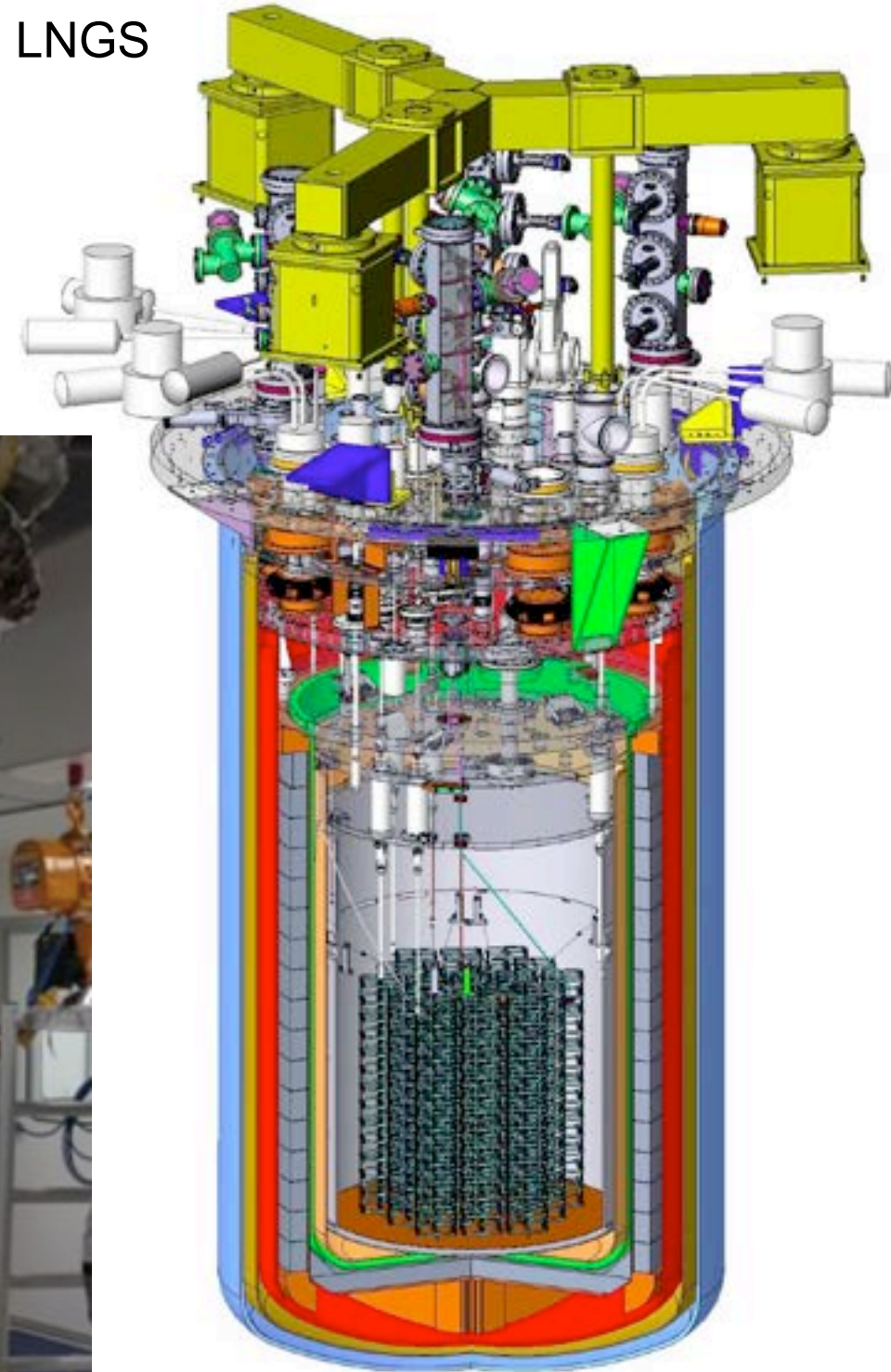
- TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals delivery complete
- Parts production almost complete
- Radon abatement system installed
- Assembly program started and well performing
  - 6 CUORE towers built, 2 complete





# CUORE setup

- Cryostat construction complete (delivered @ LNGS)
- Dilution unit performance better than expected. Delivered and tested @ LNGS
- CUORE building and infrastructures, ready
- Commissioning of the cryostat started on July 2012
  - 3 (of 6) cryostat chambers tested
  - System cooled to 4K





# Kamland-Zen

~16 t (40 t in 2<sup>nd</sup> phase) **Liquid Scintillator 2.5wt% enrXe loaded** (91% enrichment of <sup>136</sup>Xe) in a Ø3.4m Mini Balloon in Kamland detector (1000t LS+Buffer Oil+Water Cherenkov Outer Detector)  
 @Kamioka mine  
 1<sup>st</sup> Phase~ end 2011  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase >2013

**ββ candidate:** <sup>136</sup>Xe – Q 2476 keV

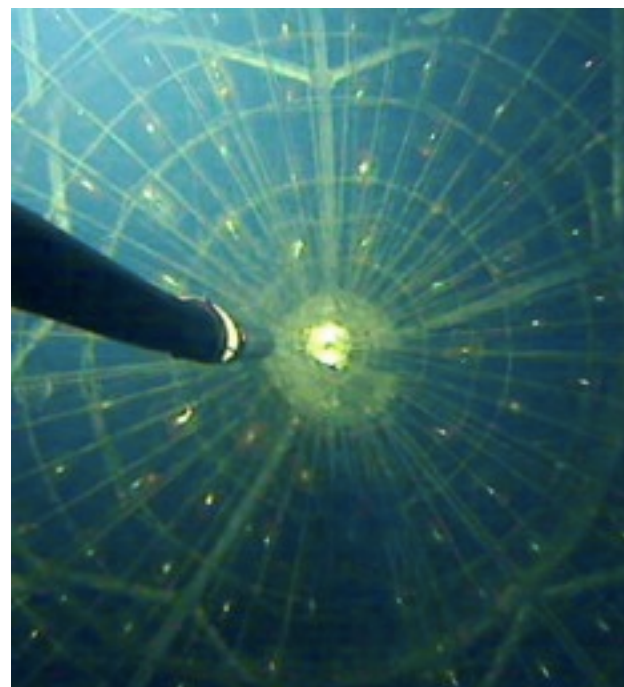
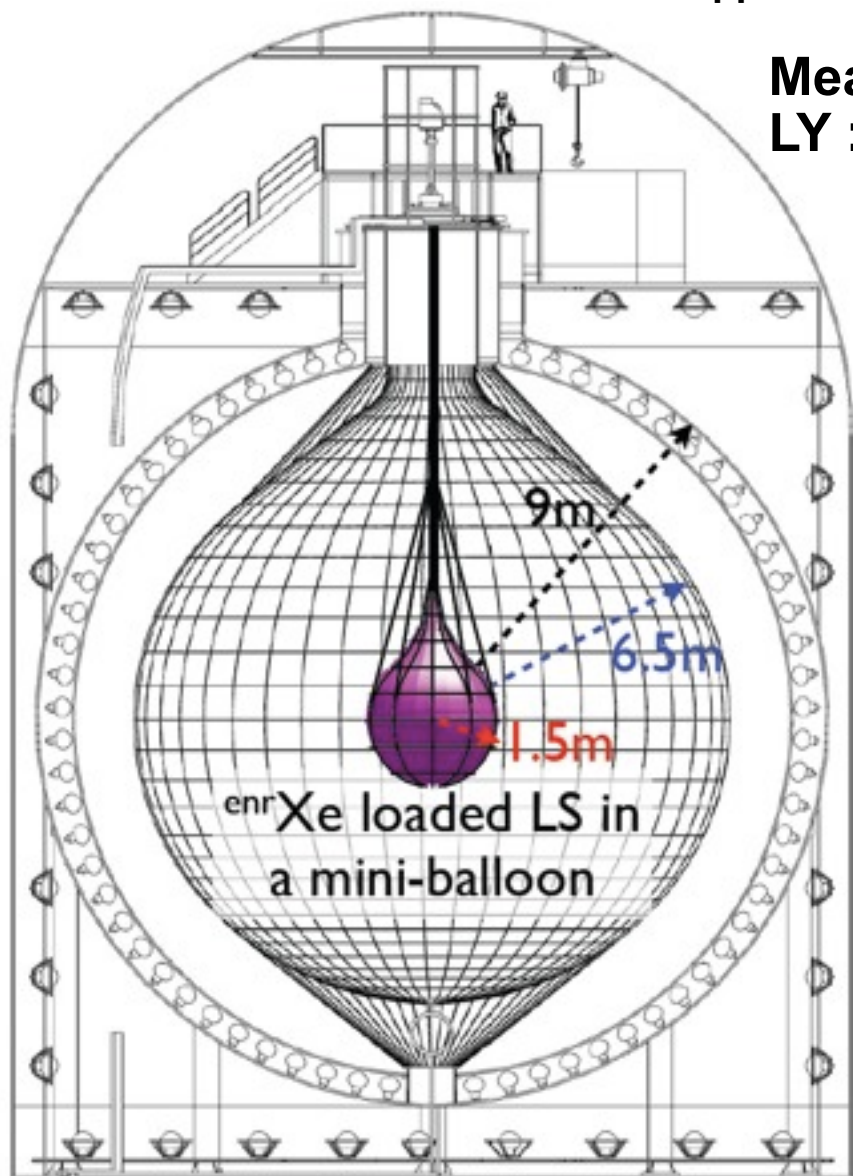
**Source Mass:**

1<sup>st</sup> Phase: 140 kg <sup>136</sup>Xe – N<sub>ββ</sub> 1.6 x1 0<sup>27</sup> (fiducial)

2<sup>nd</sup> Phase: 700 kg <sup>136</sup>Xe – N<sub>ββ</sub> 4.0 x10<sup>27</sup>

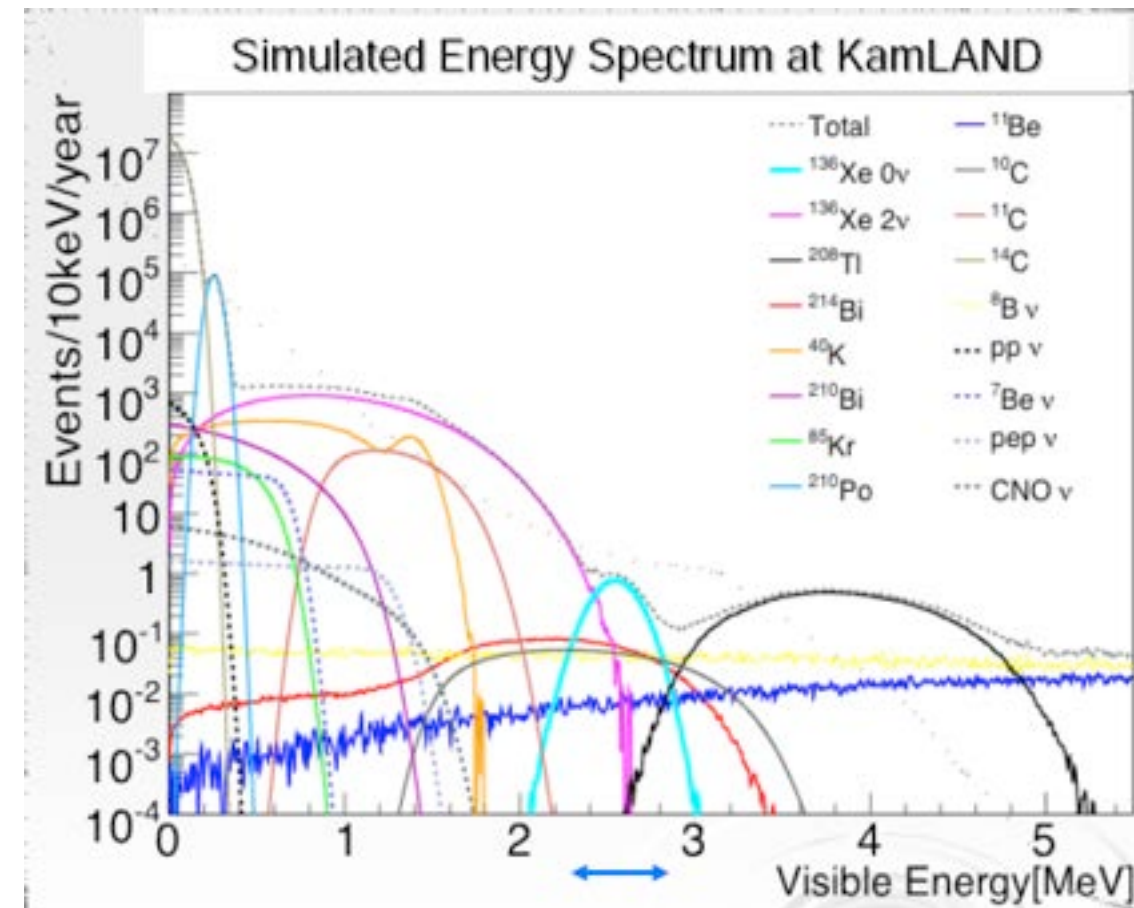
**Measured FWHM:** ~ 10% @ROI  
**LY :** 8000 photons/MeV

=> expected S/Bkg ~ 2



**Main Bkg:**

- $2\nu\beta\beta$  <sup>136</sup>Xe (slow: T<sub>1/2</sub> ~ 10<sup>22</sup> y)
- <sup>10</sup>C, <sup>11</sup>Be (1/10 with tag)
- <sup>8</sup>B solar ν
- <sup>214</sup>Bi, <sup>208</sup>Tl from MB (vertex cut)

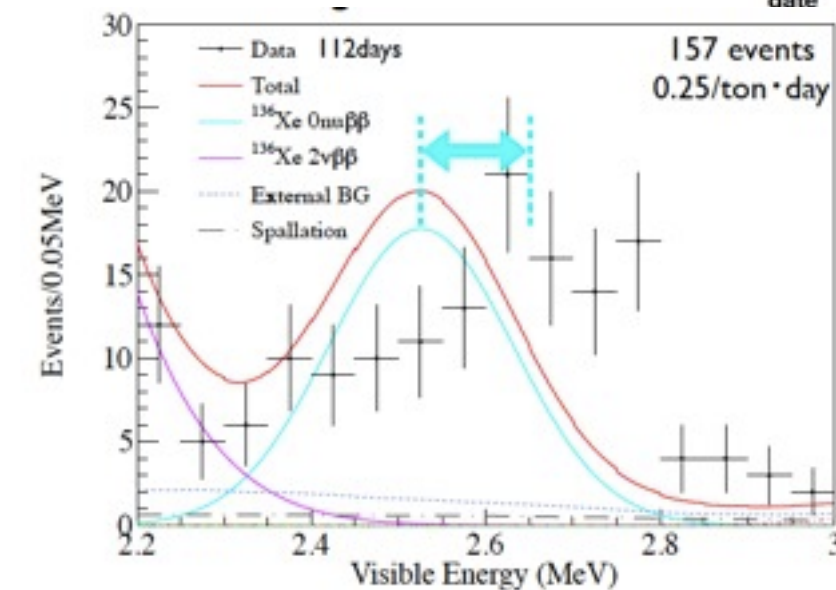
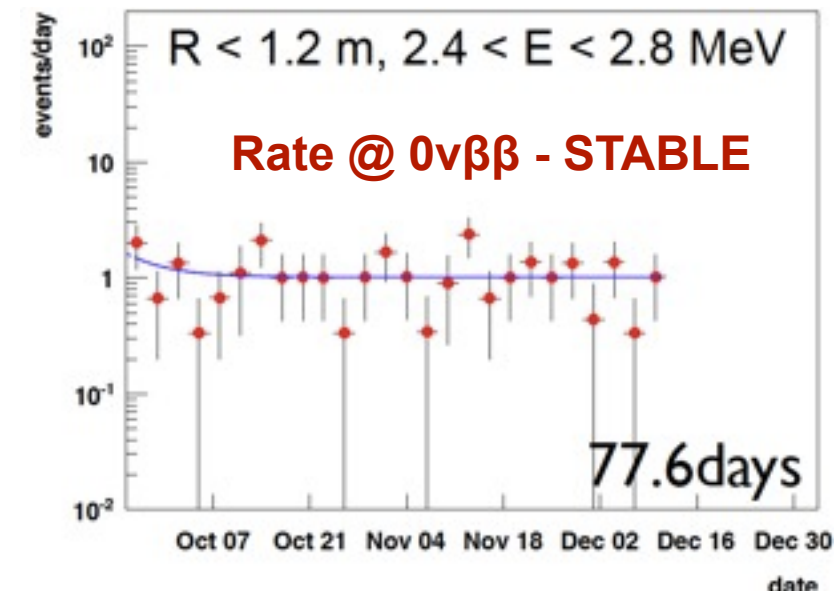
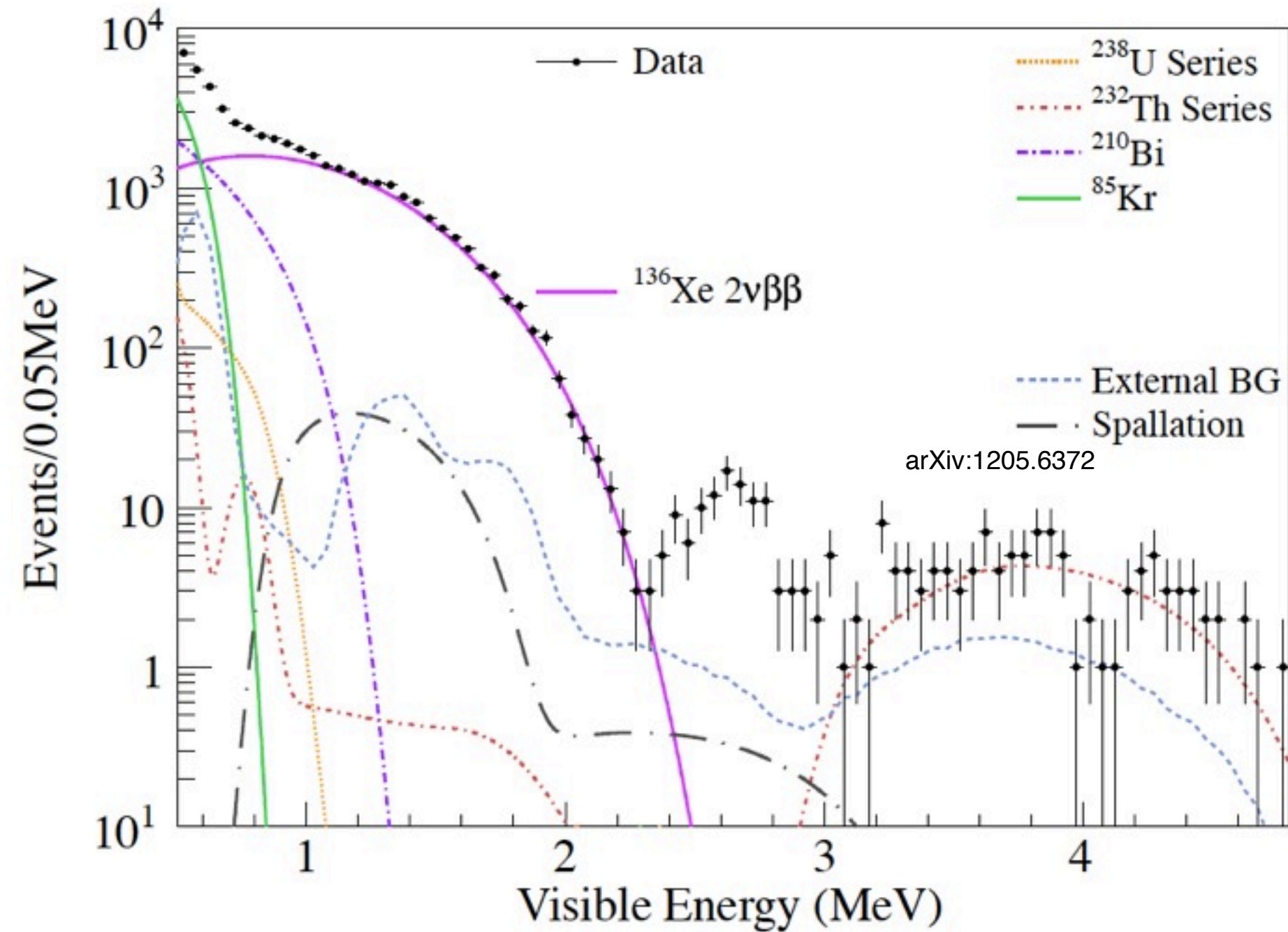


**Target Sensitivity:**

1<sup>st</sup> phase:  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \sim 60$  meV @1 y

2<sup>nd</sup> phase:  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \sim 25$  meV @5 y (IH)

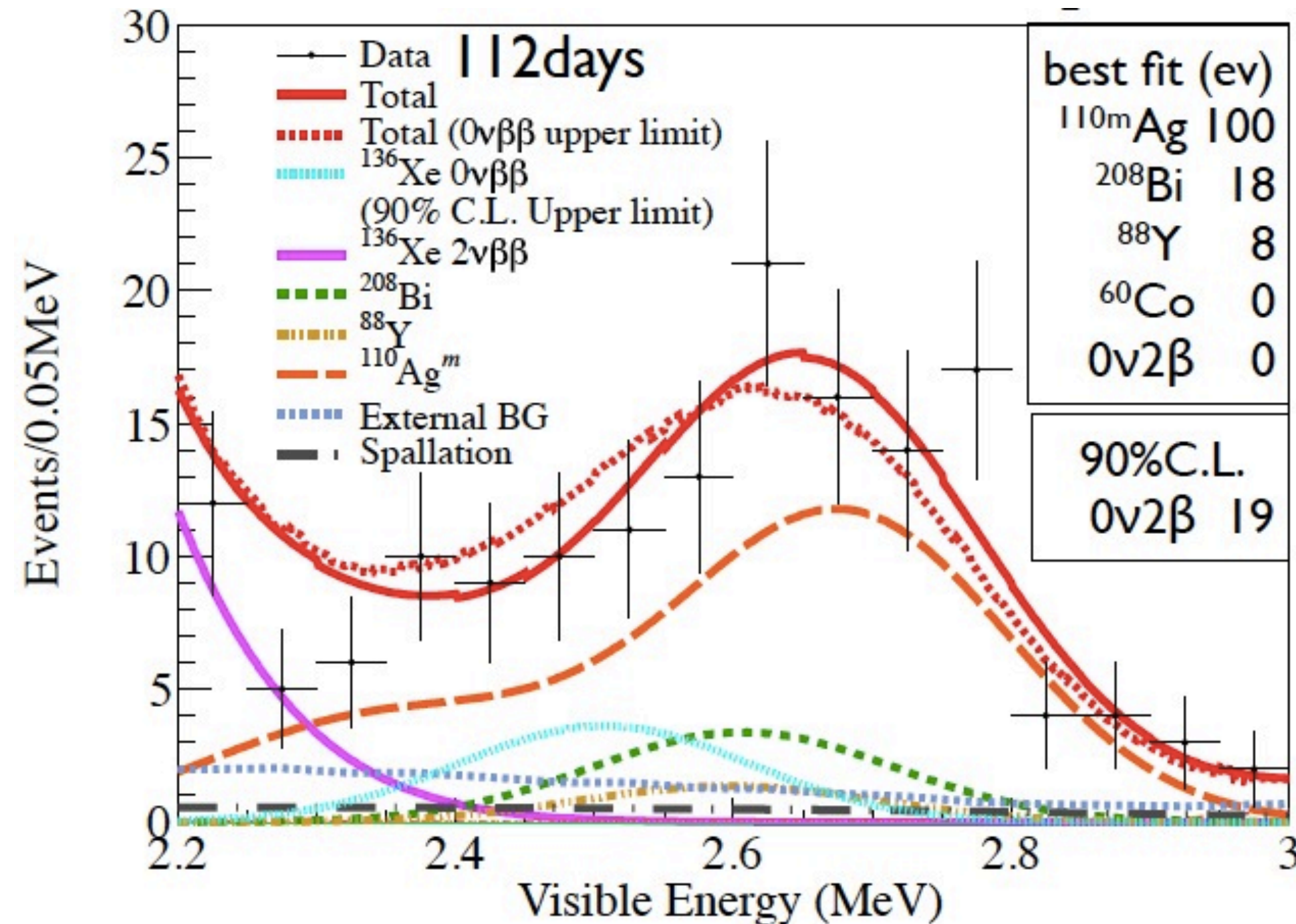
# Kamland-Zen $2\nu\beta\beta$



precise measurement of the  $2\nu\beta\beta$  half-life:

$$\tau_{1/2}^{2\nu\beta\beta} (^{136}\text{Xe}) = (2.30 \pm 0.02 \text{ stat} \pm 0.12 \text{ sys}) \cdot 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$





- KL-Zen: 112 days
- $^{110}\text{Ag} + ^{208}\text{Bi}$  fit

$T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} (^{136}\text{Xe})$   
 $> 6.2 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ y}$

## Results and perspectives:

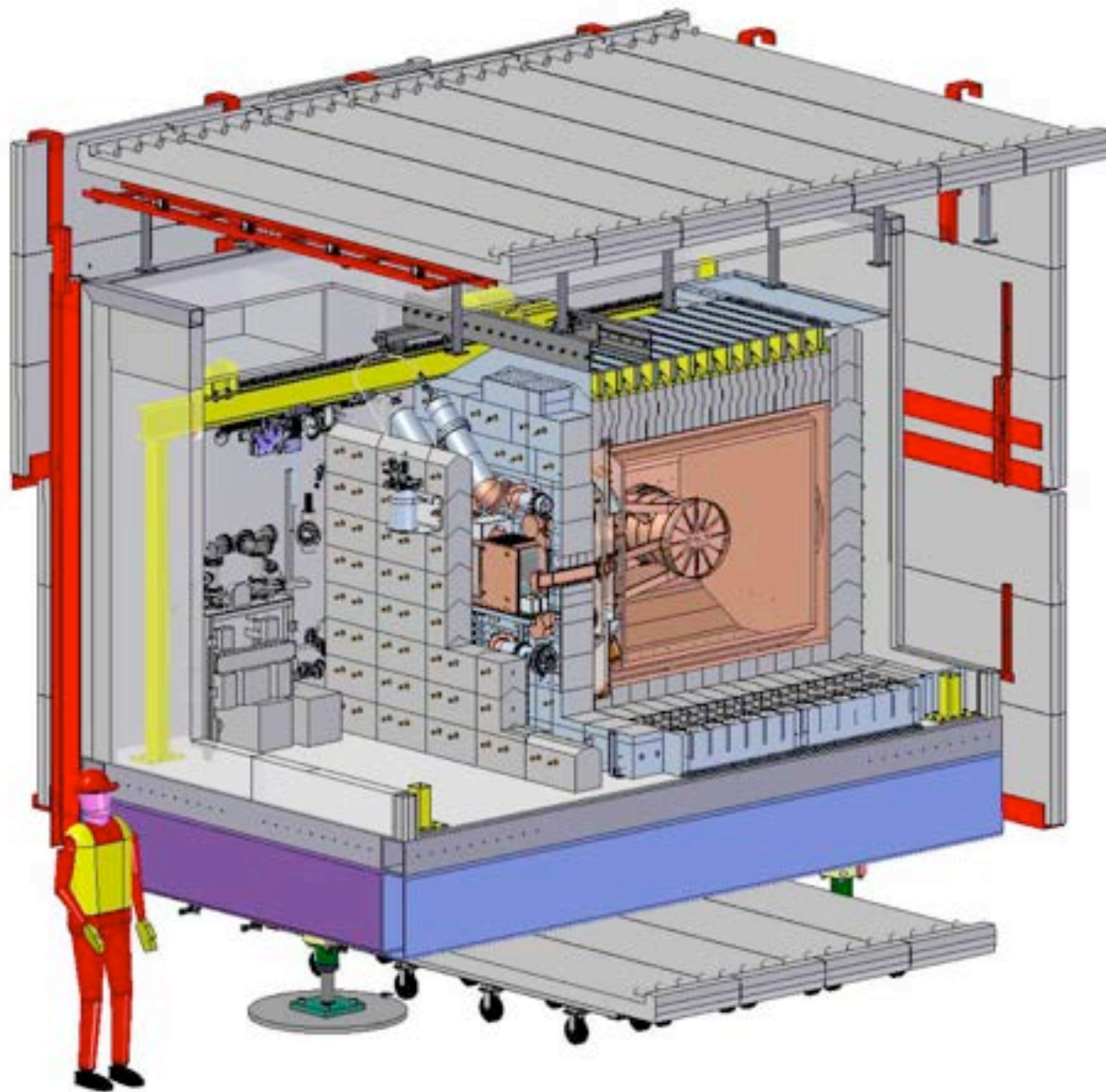
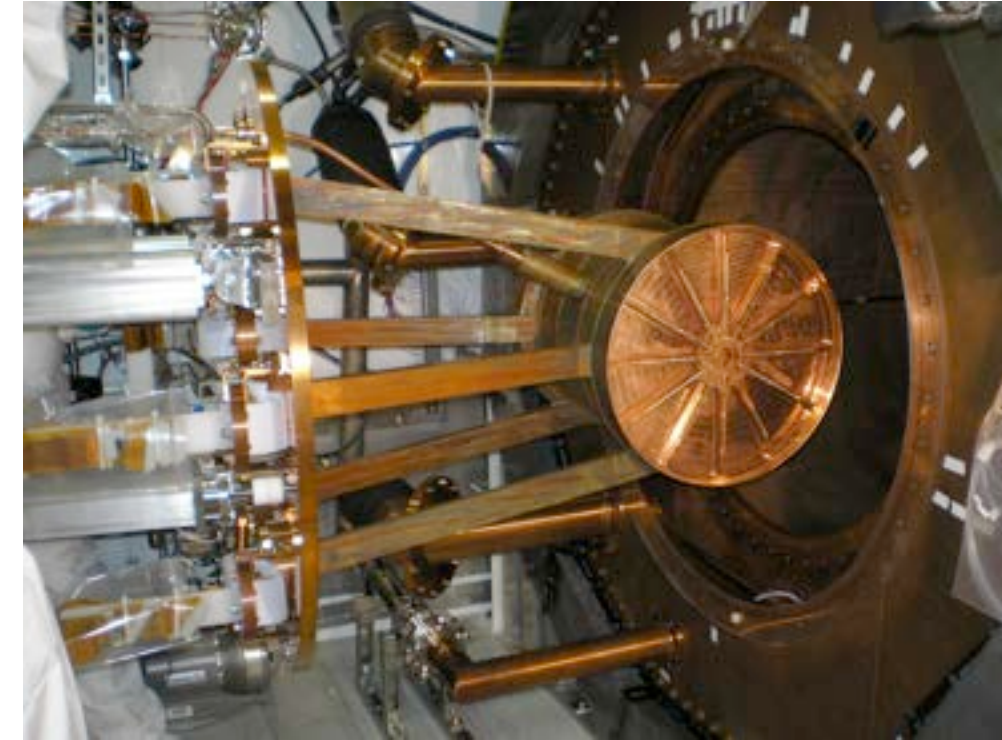
- validity of using the low radioactivity environment of neutrino detector for a rare phenomena study
- better understanding of background → effective purification is about to start (reduction factor 100)
- R&D for larger Xe concentration and better light yield



~ 1 ton TPC of liquid  $^{enr}\text{Xe}$  (80.6% of  $^{136}\text{Xe}$ ) at 167 K with double read-out (ion+scint) allowing event 3D tracking and  $\alpha/\beta$  discrimination +  $\text{Ba}^+$  daughter tag for free bkg exp.

**GOAL of EXO-200:** 1<sup>st</sup> step with 175 kg LXe without  $\text{Ba}^+$  tag for QD region @WIPP

Exo-200: Started 2011 –  $2\nu\beta\beta$  result:  $T_{1/2} \sim 2.1 \times 10^{21}$  y  
Start nEXO?



**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  – Q 2458 keV

**Source Mass:**

• Exo-200: ~ 90 kg FMass  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  –  $N_{\beta\beta} 4 \times 10^{26}$

**Bkg Strategy:**

- low activity materials / LXe purity check
- conventional screening techniques+ FV cut
- 3D track (double grid (xy) + Avalanche Photo Diodes ( $t_0 \rightarrow z$ ))
- $\alpha/\beta$  discrimination through ion. vs. light
- $\text{Ba}^+$  tag with Resonant Ionization Spectrosc.

**Projected Bkg:**  $\sim 10^{-4}$  c/keV/kg/y

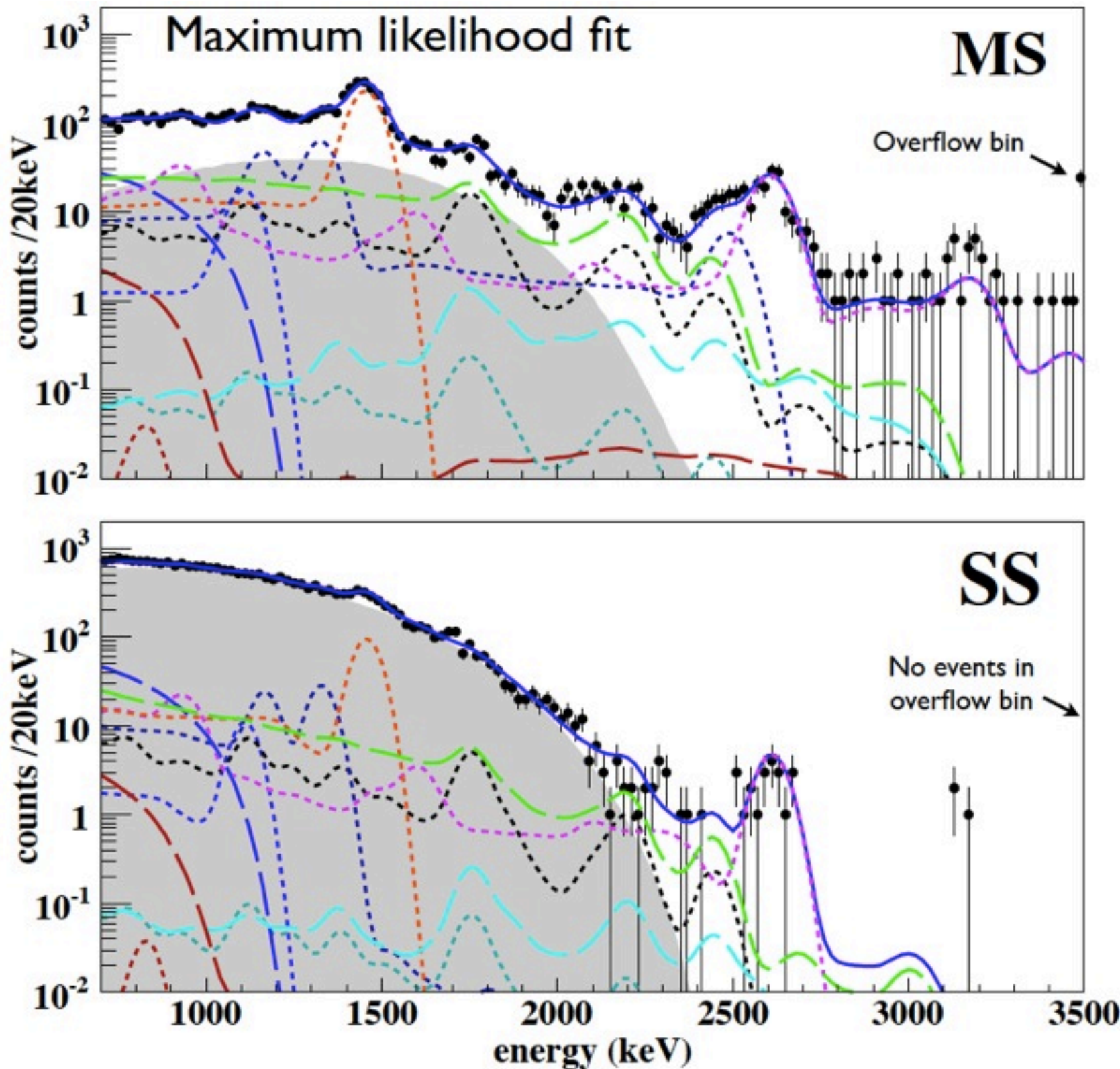
**Projected FWHM:**  $\sim 3.7\%$  @ROI (maybe better if gas Xe)

**Target Sensitivity:**

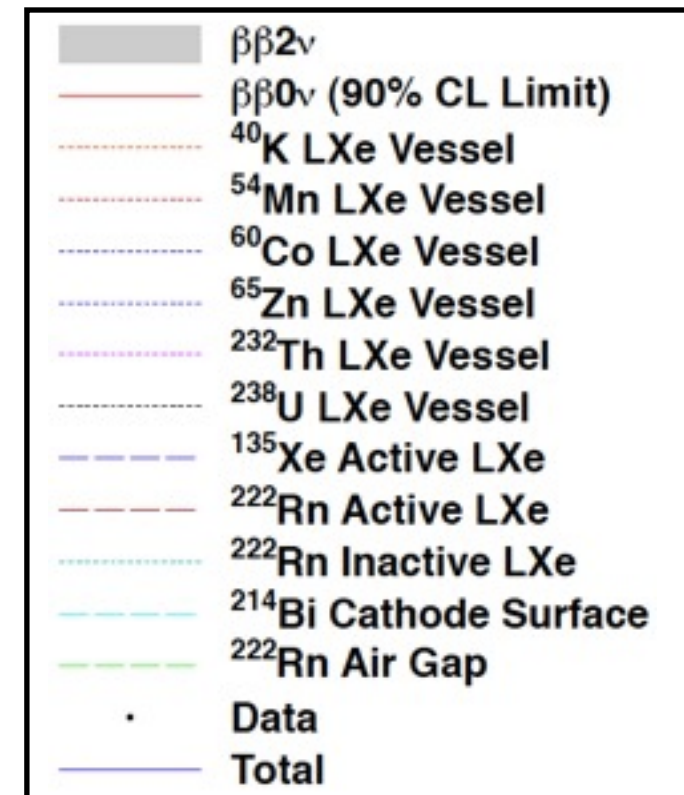
- Exo-200:  $T_{1/2} \sim 6.4 \times 10^{25}$  y @2y  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 87 \div 224$  meV in 2y
- Exo-full:  $T_{1/2} \sim 2.0 \times 10^{27}$  y @ 5y  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 16 \div 40$  meV in 5y



# EXO: $2\nu\beta\beta$



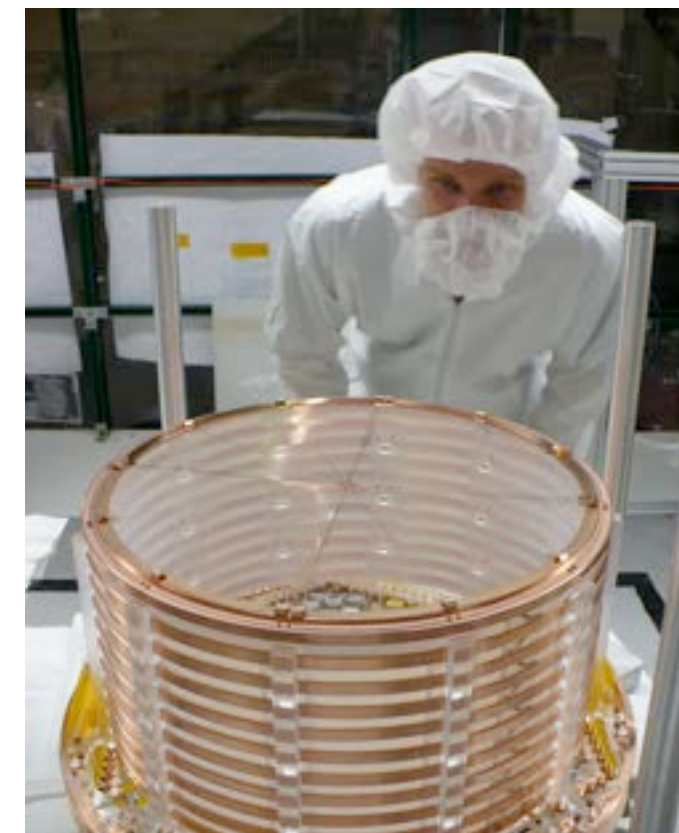
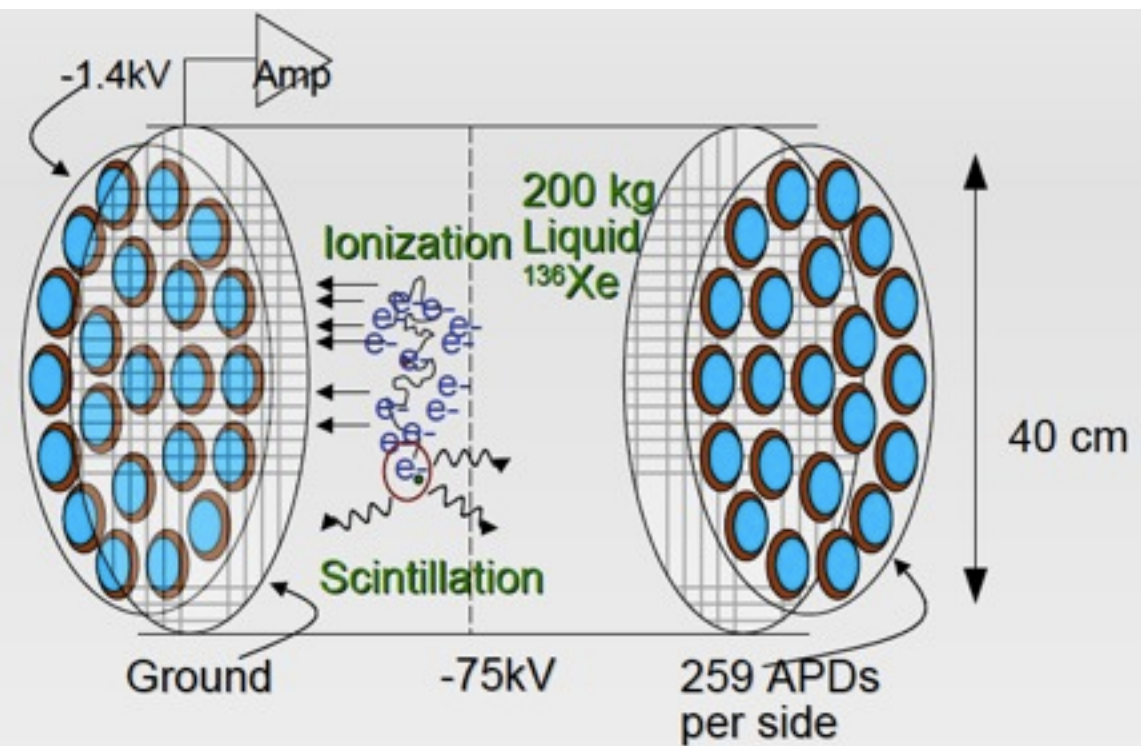
- Trigger fully efficient above 700 keV
- Low background run livetime: 120.7 days
- Active mass: 98.5 kg LXe (79.4 kg  $^{136}\text{LXe}$ )
- Exposure: 32.5 kg.yr
- Total dead time from vetos: 8.6%
- $\sim 22,000$   $2\nu\beta\beta$  events !
- Also populate MS spectrum, partly due to bremsstrahlung
- MC predicts that 82.5% of  $2\nu\beta\beta$  are SS



$$\tau_{1/2}^{2\nu\beta\beta} (^{136}\text{Xe}) = (2.23 \pm 0.017 \text{ stat} \pm 0.22 \text{ sys}) \cdot 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$

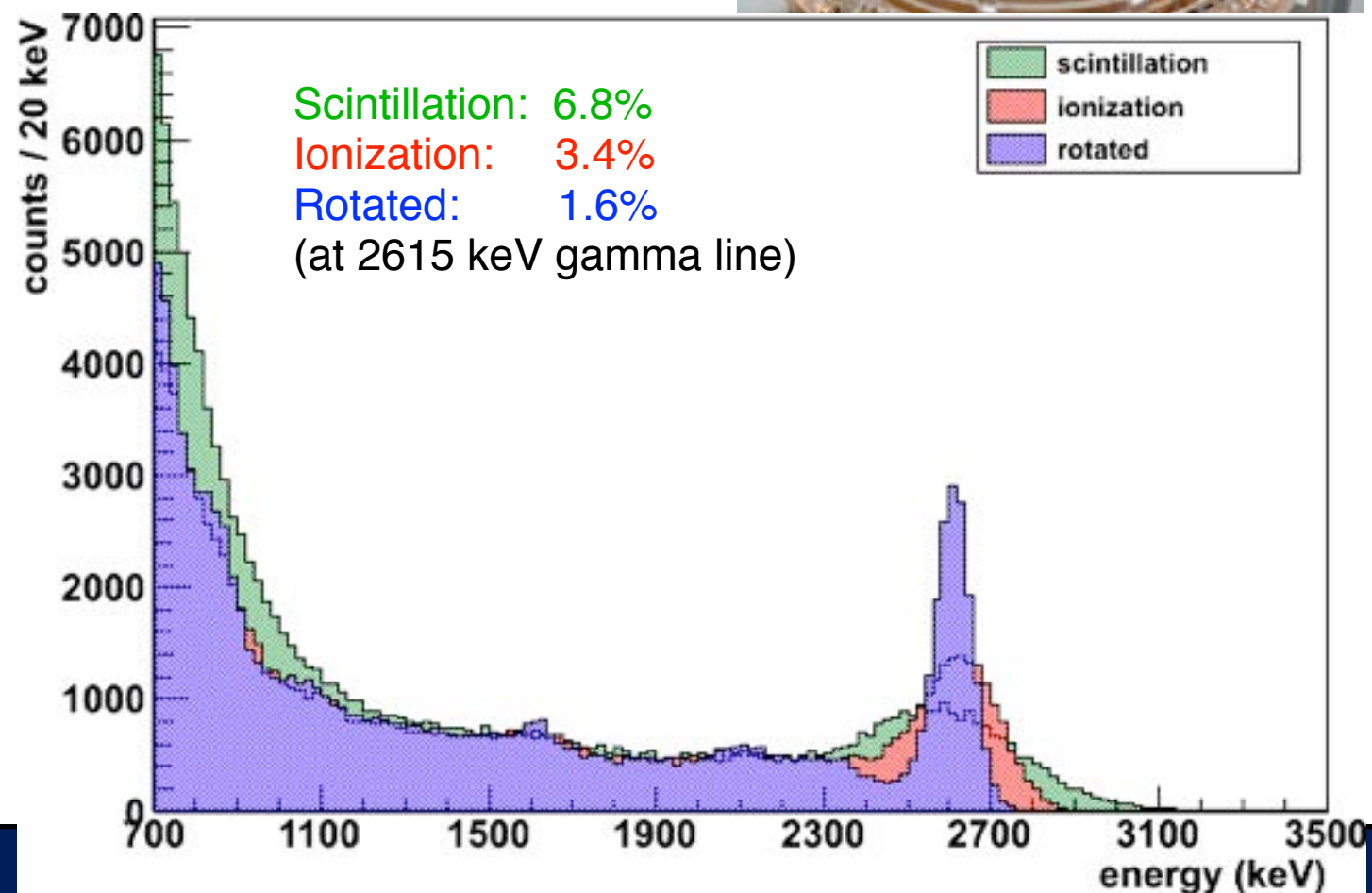
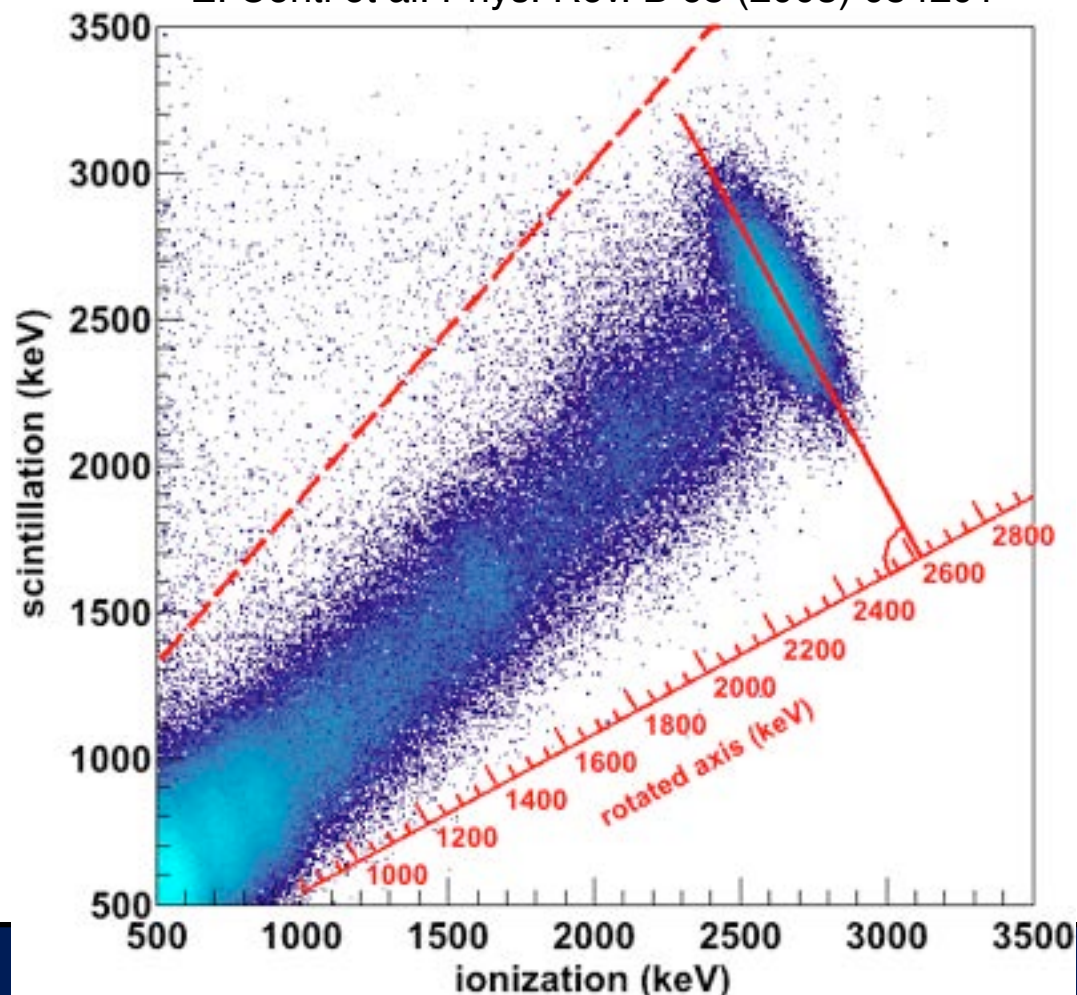


# Resolution: scintillation vs charge



- Properties of xenon cause increased scintillation to be associated with decreased ionization (and vice-versa).
- Use projection onto a rotated axis to determine event energy

E. Conti et al. Phys. Rev. B 68 (2003) 054201



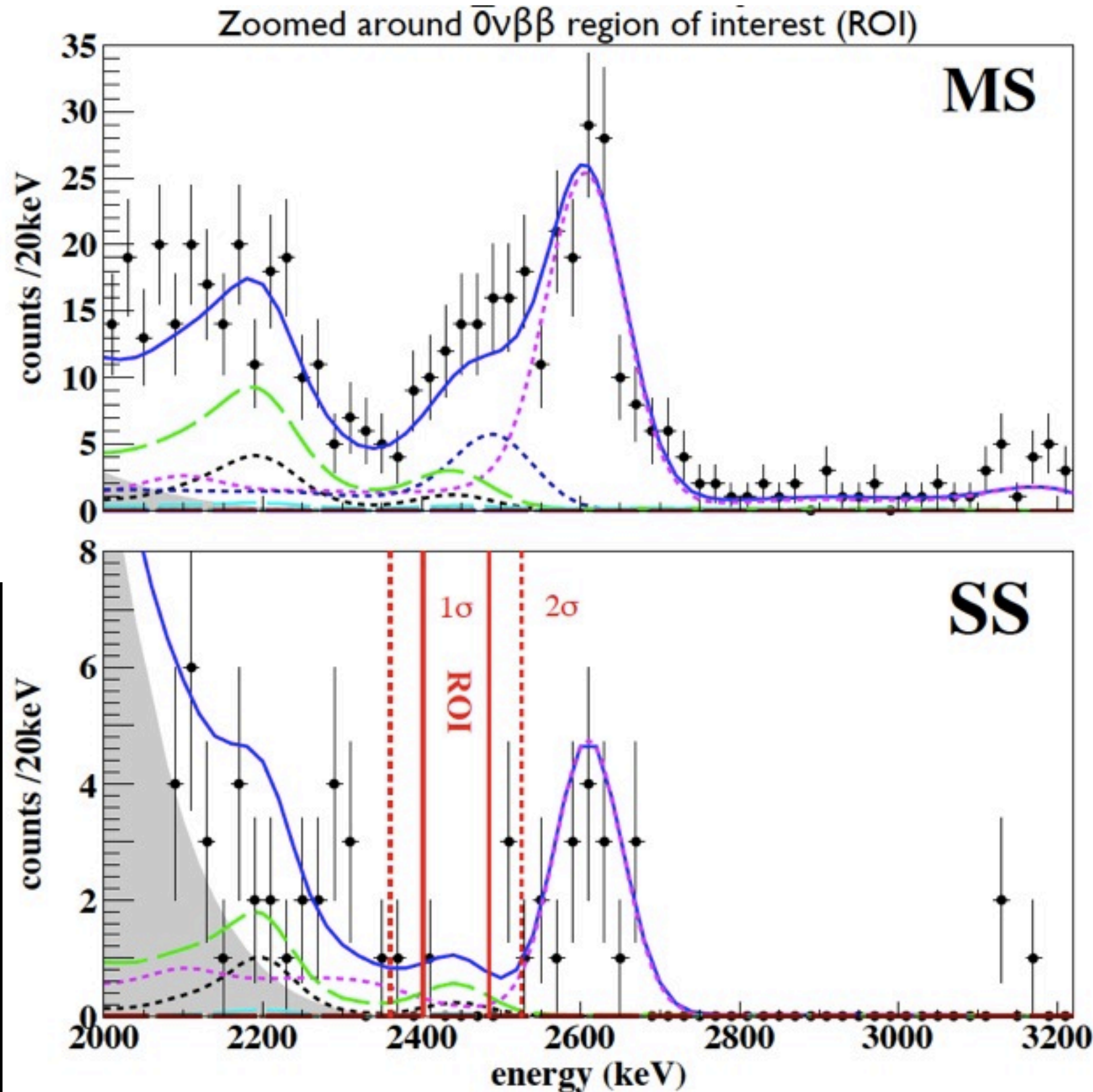
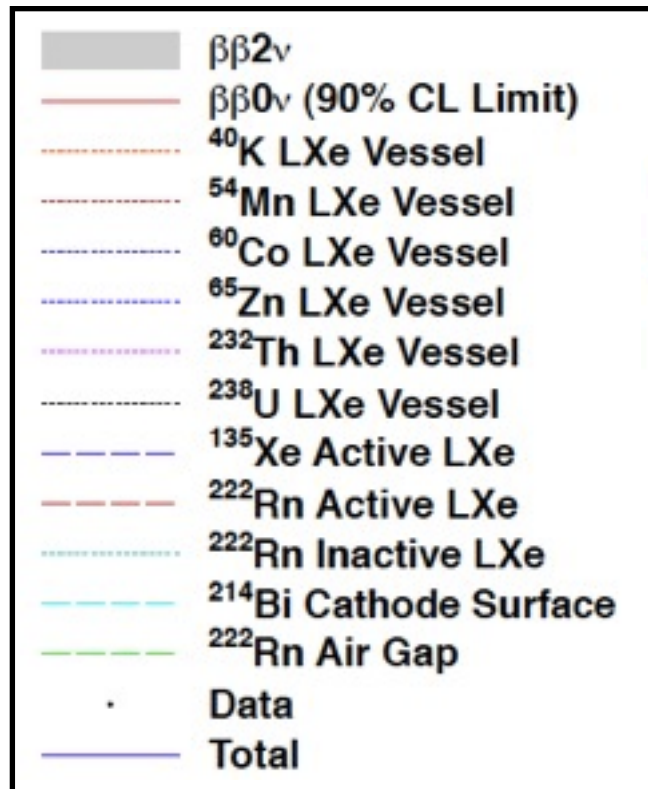


# EXO-200 $0\nu\beta\beta$

M. Auger et al., PRL 109 (2012) 032505; arXiv:hep-ex/1205.5608v2

EXO-200 is taking low background data. Detector works well:

- Energy resolution: 1.67% at  $Q\beta\beta$
- Background:  $1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (kg keV yr)}^{-1}$
- 1 (5) counts in  $1\sigma$  ( $2\sigma$ )  $0\nu\beta\beta$  ROI
- Background within expectation
- Improvements on resolution and b in progress
- EXO-200 approved to run for 4 more years

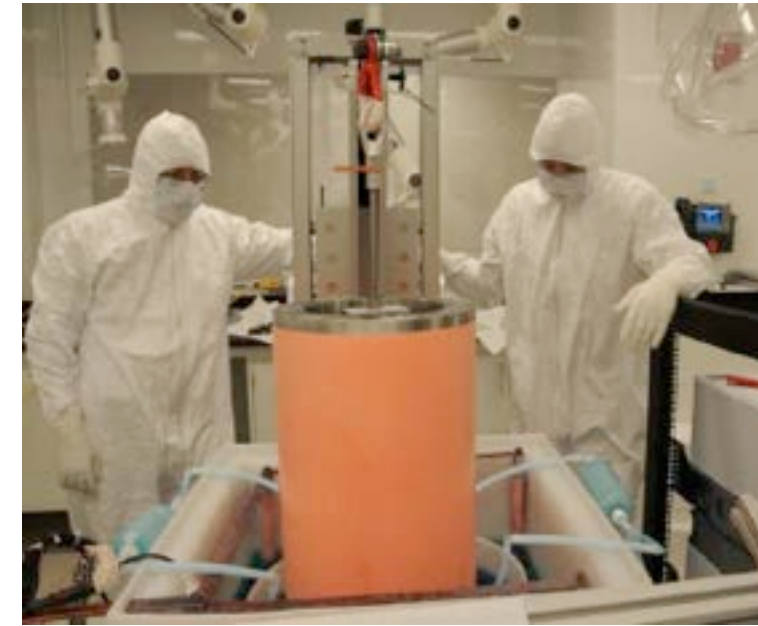
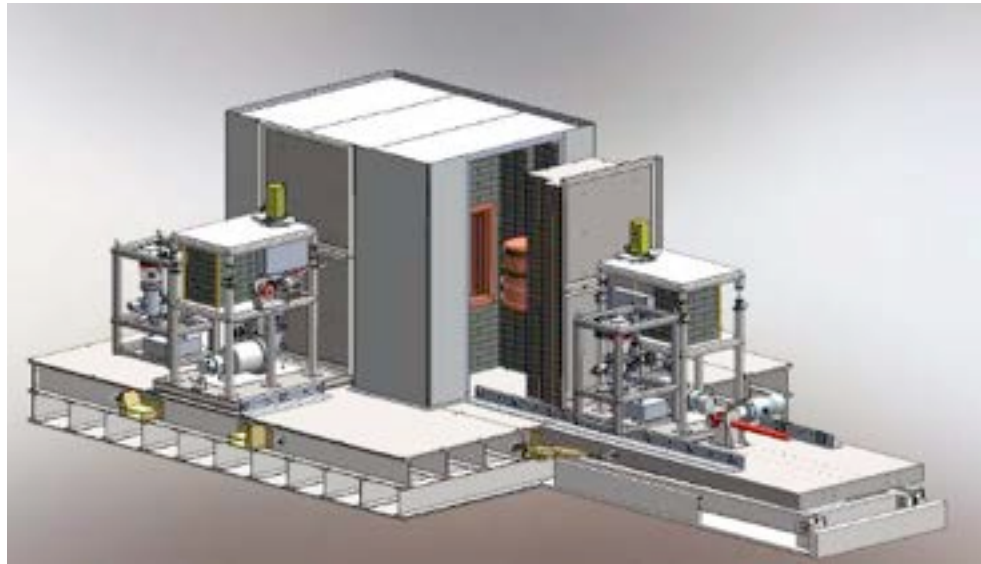




# Majorana Demonstrator

**BEGe detectors (20 kg  $^{nat}\text{Ge}$  + 20 kg 86% enriched  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ ) in 2 conventional cryostats made of electro-formed Cu + Pb/Cu passive shields + m active veto**

**GOAL: demonstrate bkg and feasibility, test KK claim @Sanford UL Start ~ 2014**



**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  – Q 2039 keV

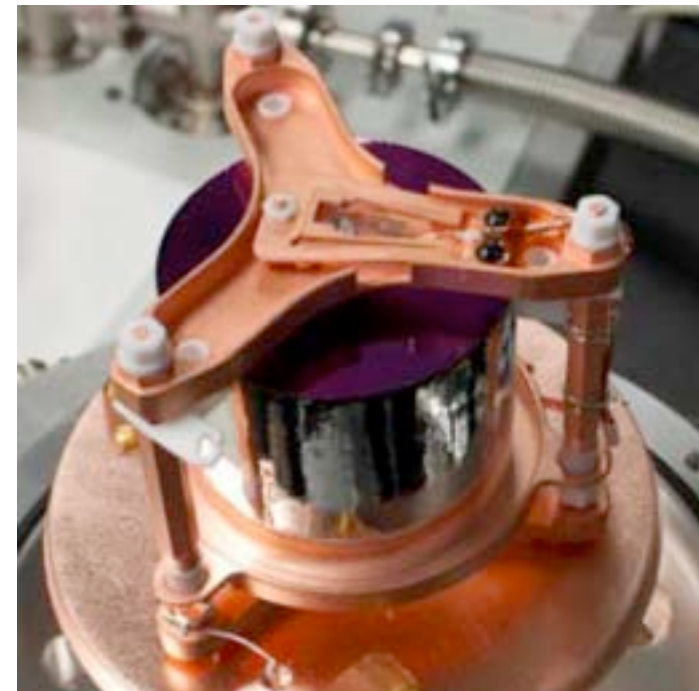
**Source Mass:**  
30 kg  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  –  $N_{\text{bb}} 2.4 \times 10^{26}$

**Projected Bkg:**  
0.001 c/keV/kg/y (shields + BEGe techn.)

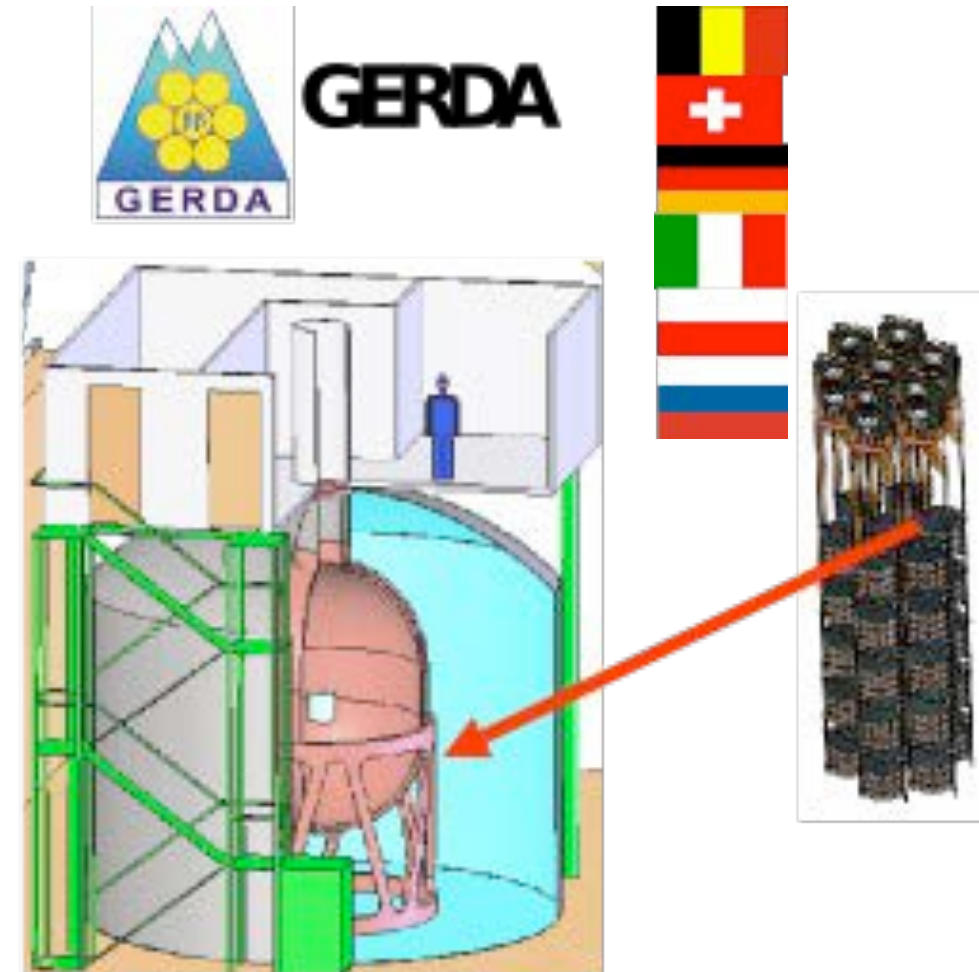
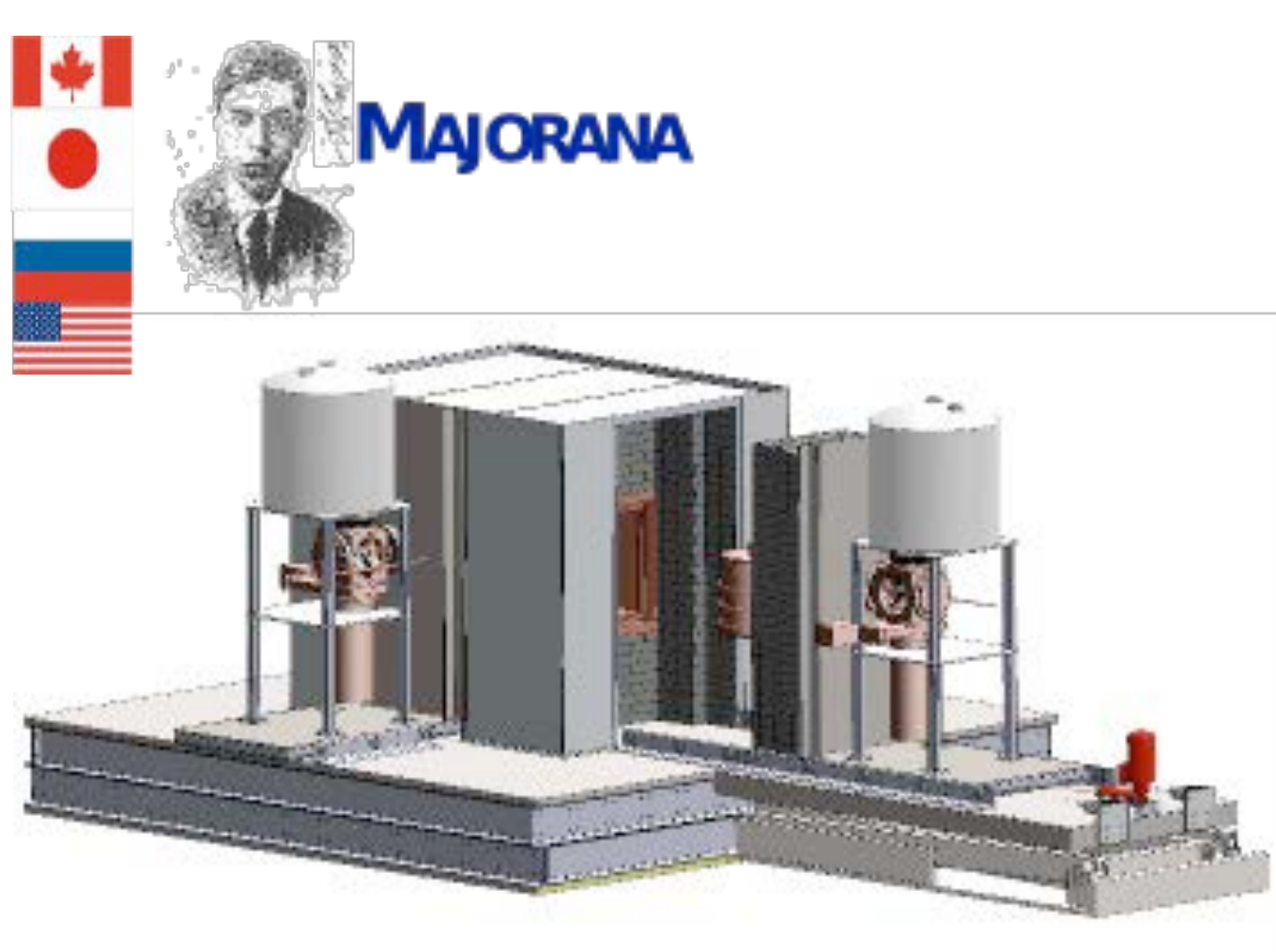
**Sensitivity  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$ :**  
 $9 \times 10^{25}$  y in 5 y

**Sensitivity  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ :**  
Scrutinize KK claim in  $< 2$  y  
 $\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 106 \div 295$  meV in 5y **> IH**

**Schedule: 2012:** 2-3  $^{nat}\text{Ge}$  strings in prototype cryostat above ground (19  $^{nat}\text{Ge}$  diodes in hand)  
**2013:** 3 strings  $^{nat}\text{Ge}$  + 4 strings  $^{enr}\text{Ge}$  below ground (1<sup>st</sup> cryostat)  
**2014:** full experiment



# MAjorana-GERda



## Joint Cooperative Agreement:

Open exchange of knowledge and technologies

Select best technique developed and tested in GERDA and Majorana

Intention to merge for 1 ton exp. ( ~ 2020)

=> factor ~ 2.5 on  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$  :  $43 \div 120$  meV in 5 y ( enter IH region)



# AMORE

**100 kg  $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  scintillating bolometers** (96%  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  enriched, <0.001%  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  depletion) at low T with double read-out (heat/light) or shape analysis for **alpha bkg** suppression  
 @YangYangUL R&D phase

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  – Q 3034 keV

**Source Mass:**

50 kg  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  –  $N_{\text{bb}}$   $3.0 \times 10^{26}$

**Projected Bkg:**

0.001 c/keV/kg/y

**Projected FWHM:** ~ 0.07% @ROI

Measured FWHM: ~ 0.2% @ 5 MeV

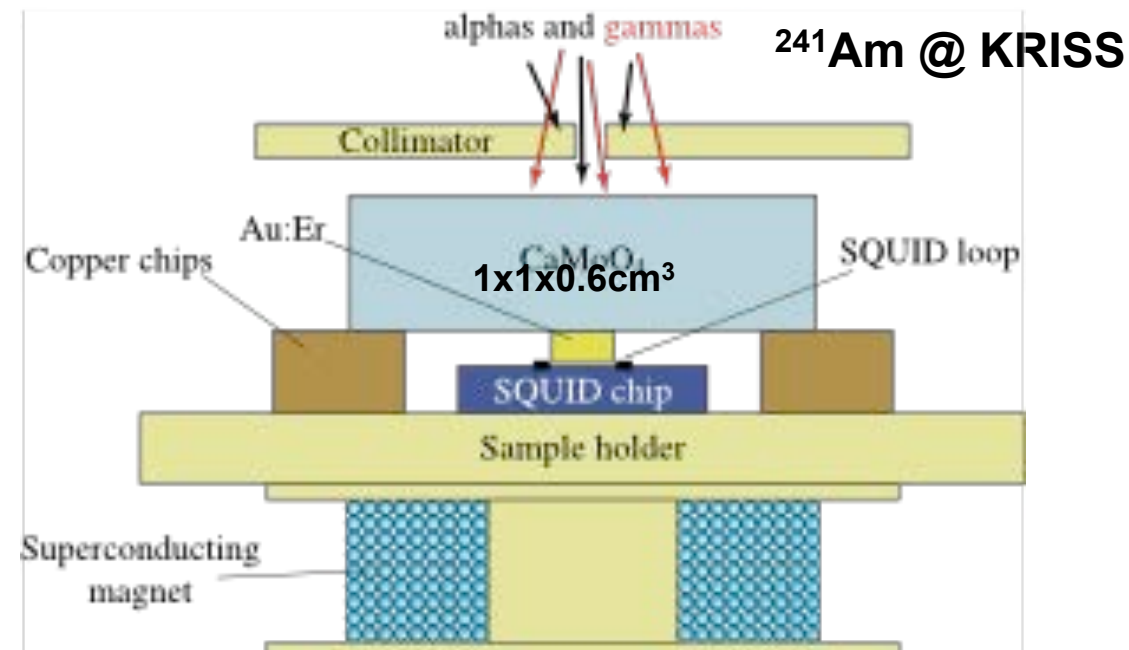
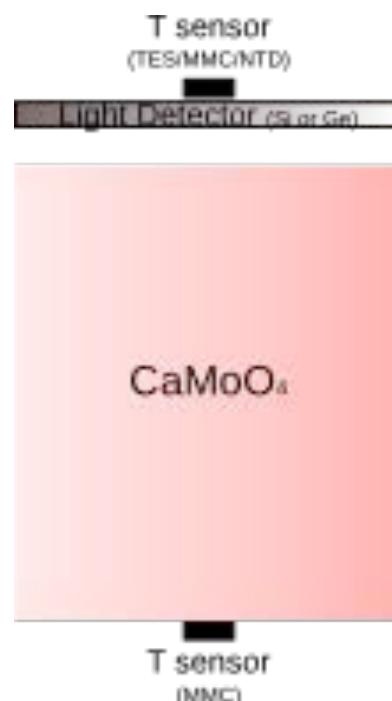
**LY (RoomT):** ~9300 phot/MeV

**Sensitivity  $T_{1/2}^{0n}$ :**

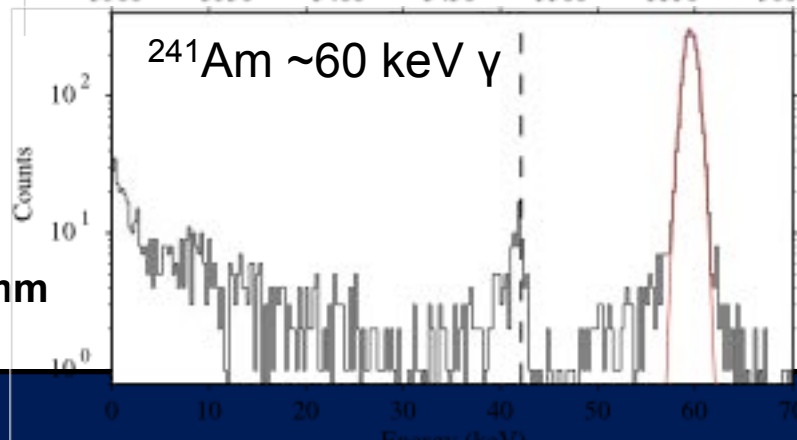
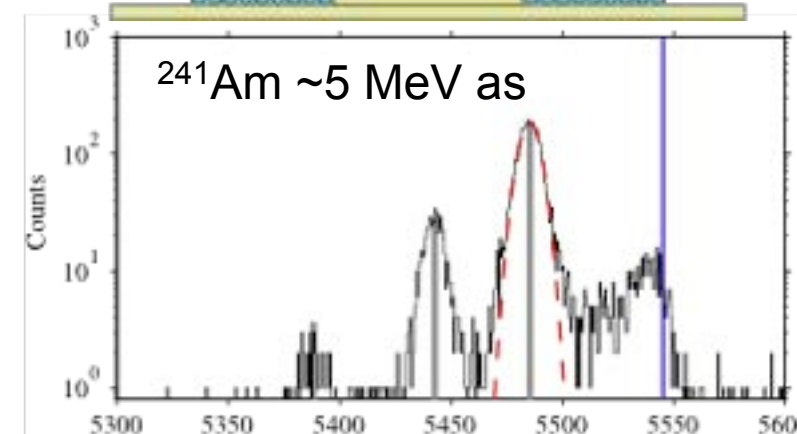
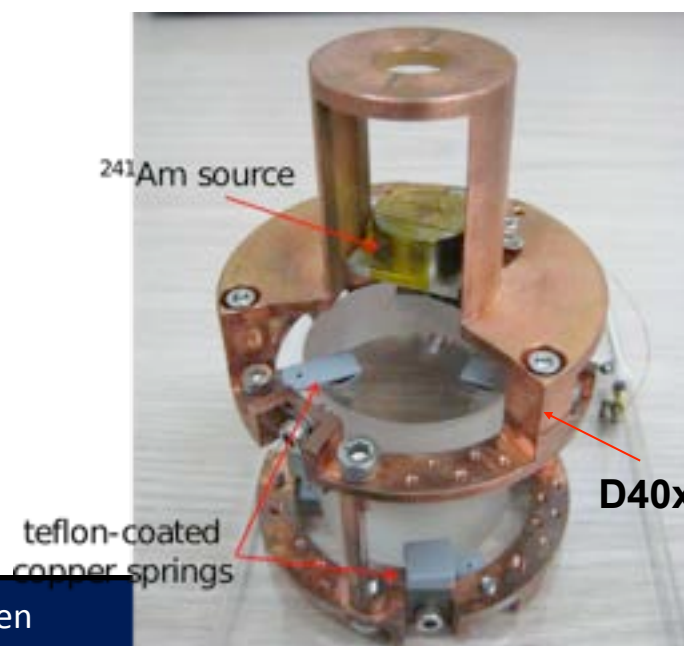
$3 \times 10^{26}$  y in 5 y

**Sensitivity  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ :**

$\langle m_{ee} \rangle < 27 \div 63$  meV in 5y (IH)



July 2011 @KRISS



# Candles



**CANDLES-III: 96 CaF<sub>2</sub> scintillators (0.187% ai of <sup>48</sup>Ca ) in a granular structure (~305 kg)**  
 with 4p Liquid Scintillator active shield and H<sub>2</sub>O buffer passive shield + 62 PMTs  
**GOAL:** 1<sup>st</sup> step towards a ~tons CaF<sub>2</sub> experiment for IH  
 @Kamioka mine      1<sup>st</sup> phase: commissioning started in June 2011      Start 2<sup>nd</sup> phase?

**ββ candidate:** <sup>48</sup>Ca – Q 4270 keV !!

**Source Mass:**

1<sup>st</sup> phase: 350 g <sup>48</sup>Ca – N<sub>bb</sub> 4.4 x 10<sup>24</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> phase: N<sub>bb</sub> ~10<sup>26</sup>

**Bkg Strategy:**

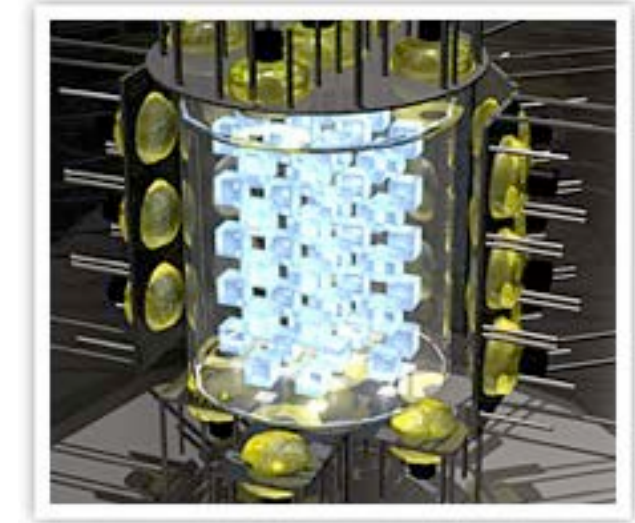
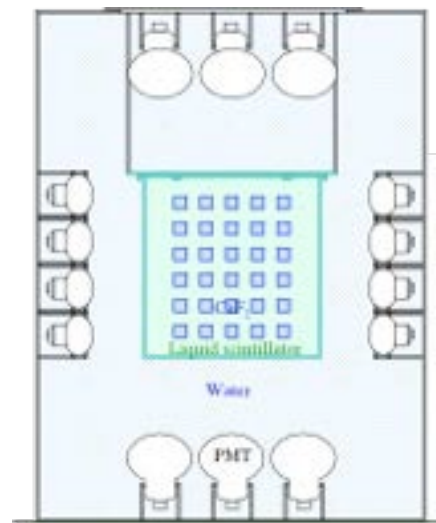
- 2nbb negligible if DE 4% FWHM
  - 4p LS shield for external g
  - PSD + time/position (internal Bi-Po, Bi-Tl)
- => ~ bkg free experiment

**Measured FWHM:** ~ 3.4% @ROI

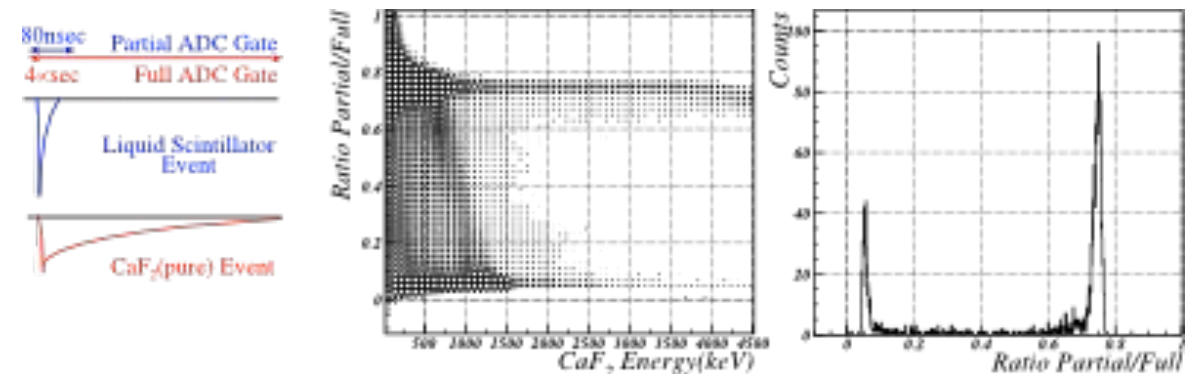
**Target Sensitivity:**

1<sup>st</sup> phase: <m<sub>ee</sub>> ~ 500 meV @3 y

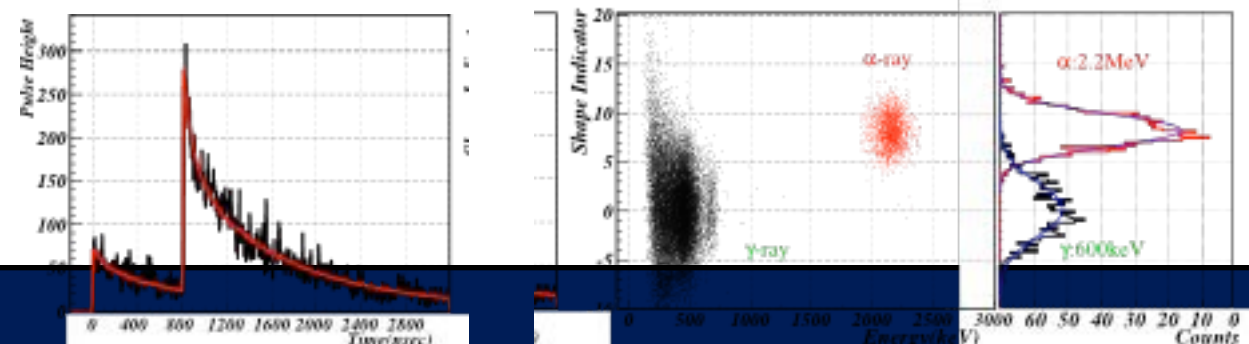
2<sup>nd</sup> phase: IH region



External (LS) vs internal events (with 2 ADC gates)



Bi-Po and Bi-Tl events (Pup + a/b different shape)



# MOON

**Multi-layer detector modules: PL scint. planes (E+t) / PL-fibers (V,j) / 50mg/cm<sup>2</sup> source foils @Oto U.L. MOON-1: prototype ~ 2006 3 Phases of increasing mass (start Phase-III ?)**

**ββ candidate:** <sup>82</sup>Se – Q 2995 keV  
<sup>100</sup>Mo – Q 3134 keV

**Source mass:**

- Phase-I: 0.03 t isotope
- Phase-II: 0.12 t isotope
- Phase-III: 0.48 t isotope

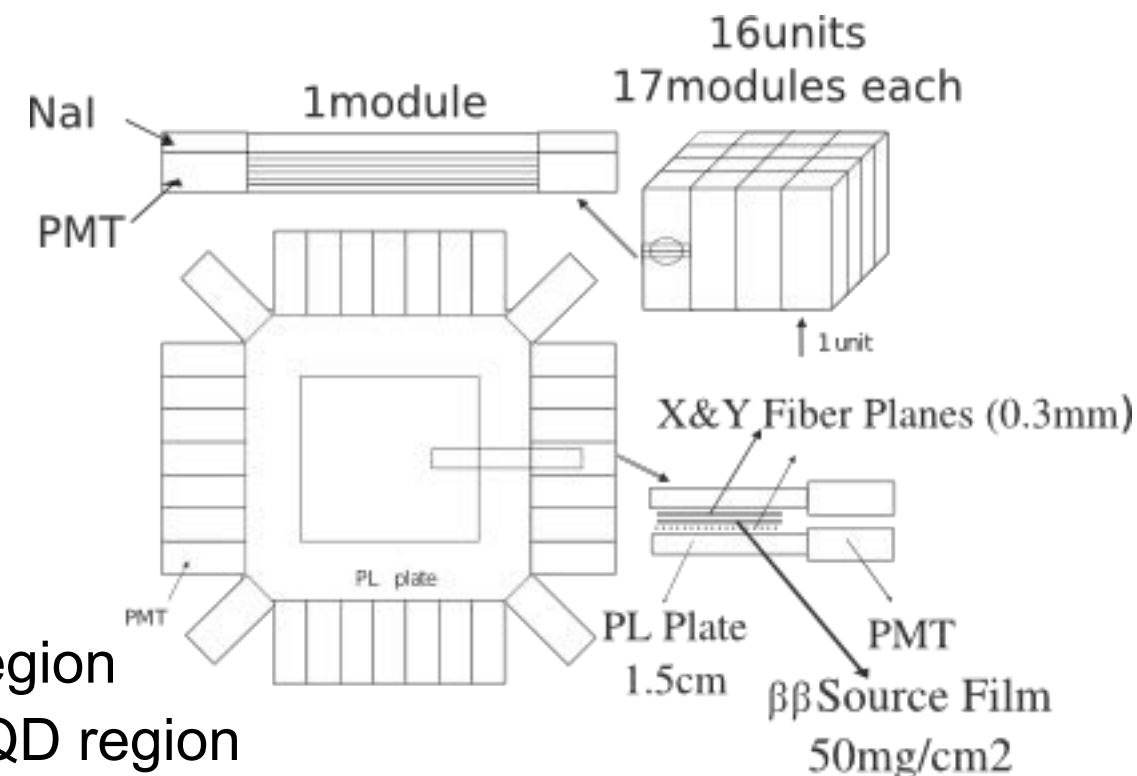
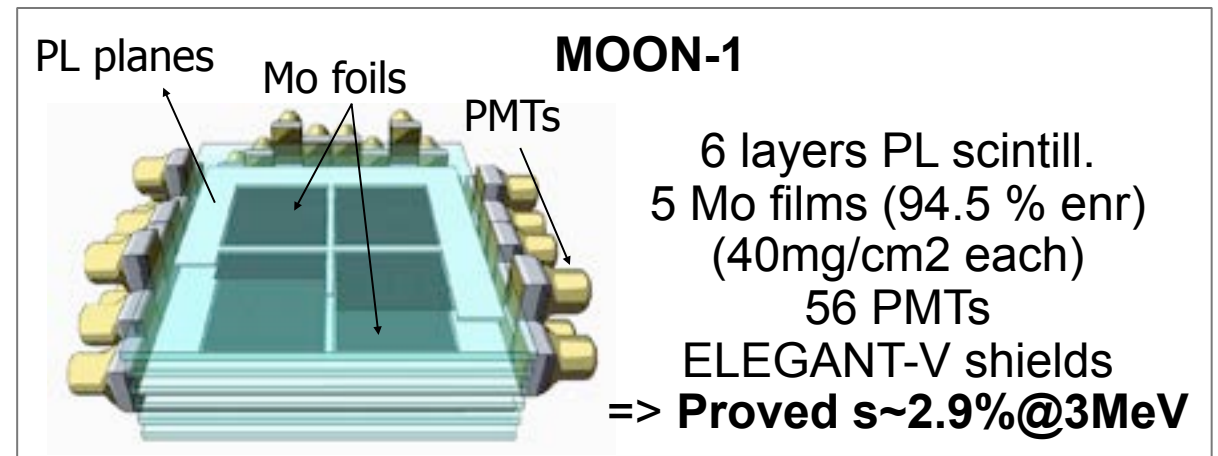
**Bkg Strategy:**

- Standard shieldings+active veto from M-layer
- Low <sup>208</sup>Tl/<sup>214</sup>Bi contam. in source foils
- M=2 event with same V
- E1+E2 @ROI (Q-DE<sub>source</sub> within 3s)
- no delayed coincidence (Dt~h)
- 2nbb reduced with good DE

**Measured DE:** s~2.2 % @ROI (Foreseen s ~1.7 % )

**Target Sensitivity:**

- Phase-I: T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>0n</sup>~ 0.32(0.15) x10<sup>26</sup> @ 1y for Se(Mo) -QD region
- Phase-II: T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>0n</sup>~ 1.12(0.41) x10<sup>26</sup> @ 1y for Se(Mo) - LowQD region
- Phase-III: T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>0n</sup>~ 5.90(2.00) x10<sup>26</sup> @ 1y for Se(Mo) -IH region





# DCBA

**Momentum analyzer** consisting of tracking detectors (DC) with solenoid magnet for uniform B  
 @KEK      **DCBA-T2:** prototype~ 2009      **DCBA-T3** in construction for DE improvements  
**Future:** MTD-full ~200 mol  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  source      Start ?

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  – Q 3370 keV

**Source mass:**

DCBA-T2: 0.03 mol  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  for test with 2nbb

DCBA-T3: 0.18 mol  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  ( $\text{Nd}_2^{\text{nat}}\text{O}_3$ )

**MTD-1:**  $1.3 \times 10^{26}$   $^{150}\text{Nd}$  ( $\text{Nd}_2^{\text{enr}}\text{O}_3$  – 60% enr)

**MTD-full:** 10 x MTD-1

**Bkg Strategy:**

-Veto for cosmic rays

-3D track in uniform B

(search for 2 circled curves in X,Y + sin in Z)

-p and T from track

**DCBA-T2 DE FWHM:** ~6.2 % @ROI

**DCBA-T3 foreseen** ~3.4 % (>B)

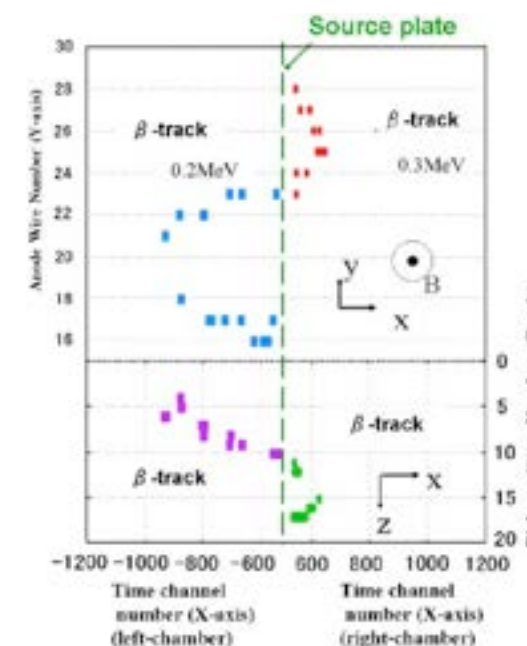
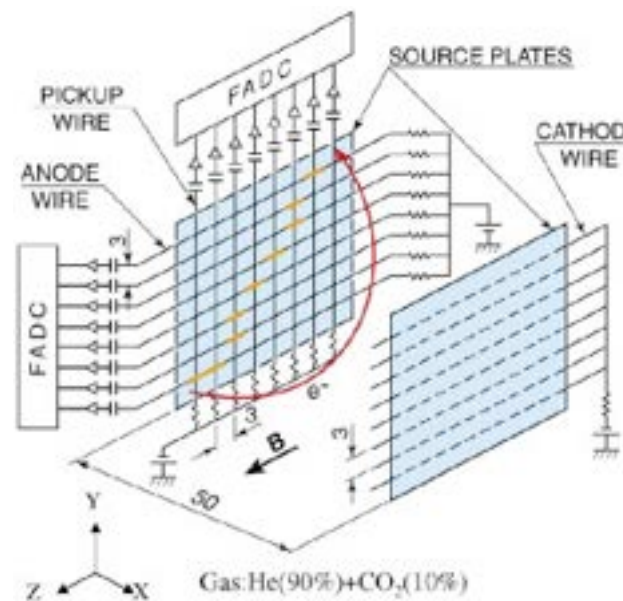
**Target Sensitivity:**

DCBA-T3:  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \sim 4$  eV

MTD-1:  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \sim 100$  meV

**MTD-full:**  $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \sim 30$  meV

**2 $\nu\beta\beta$  track with  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  source**

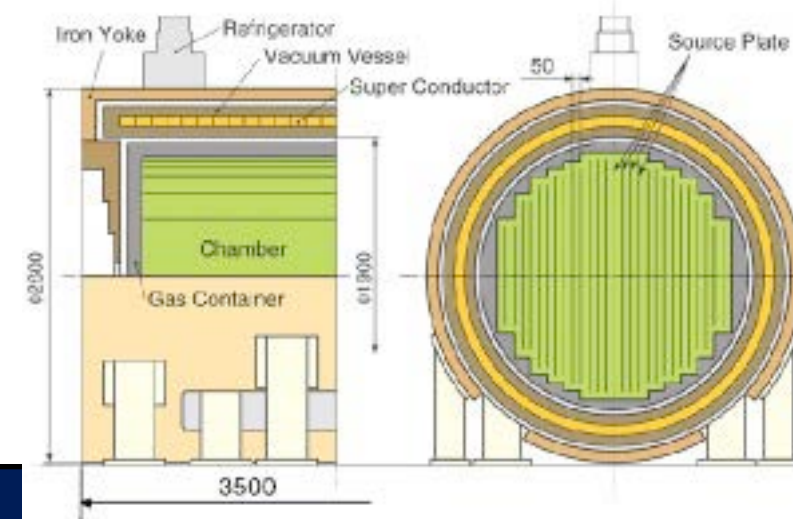
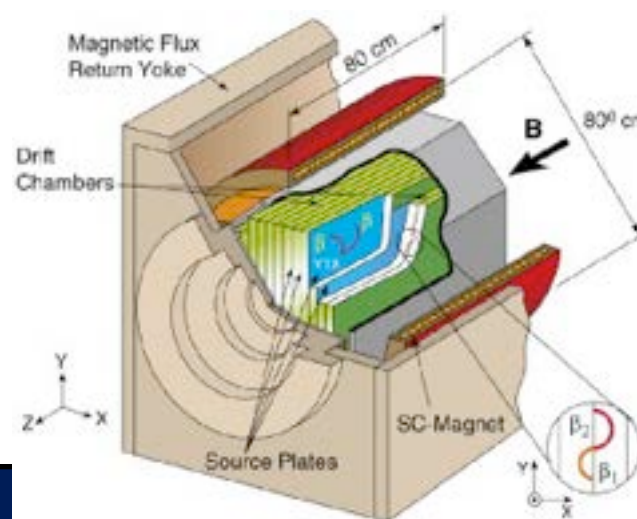


**DCBA-T3 and MTD (vs. DCBA-T2):**

12 Drift Chambers (vs. 2)

3 mm wire pitch (vs. 6 mm)

B=3 kG (vs. 0.8 kG) with Sup. Sol. Magn. (vs. conventional S.M.)  
 $^{150}\text{Nd}$  in  $\text{Nd}_2\text{O}_3$  plates -natNd @T3, enrNd @MTD (vs.  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  in natMo)



# SuperNEMO

20 modules of **tracker-calorimeter** with 40 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> source foil each (~5 kg <sup>82</sup>Se each).  
 @LSM                      Demonstrator (1 module) start-up ~ 2013                      Full: start-up ~2014

**ββ candidate:** <sup>82</sup>Se – Q 2995 keV

**Source mass:**

Demonstrator: 5 kg <sup>82</sup>Se - N<sub>ββ</sub> 1.8 x10<sup>25</sup>

Full: 100 kg <sup>82</sup>Se - N<sub>ββ</sub> 7.3 x10<sup>25</sup>

**Bkg Strategy:**

- Standard shieldings
- Low <sup>208</sup>Tl/<sup>214</sup>Bi contam. in source foils
- tracking
- 2nbb reduced with better DE

**Measured ΔE:** ~4 % @ ROI

with best calorimeter/PMT choice

**Target Sensitivity:**

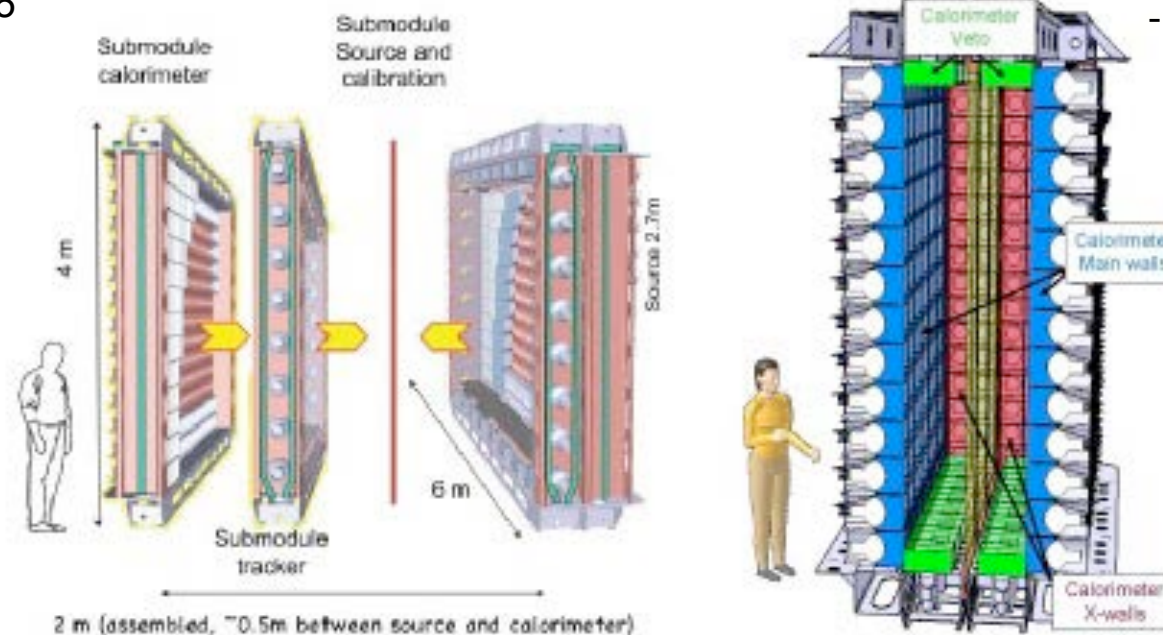
Demonstrator: KK claim within 2015

Full: T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>0ν</sup> ~ 1.2 x10<sup>26</sup> 90%CL @ 5y

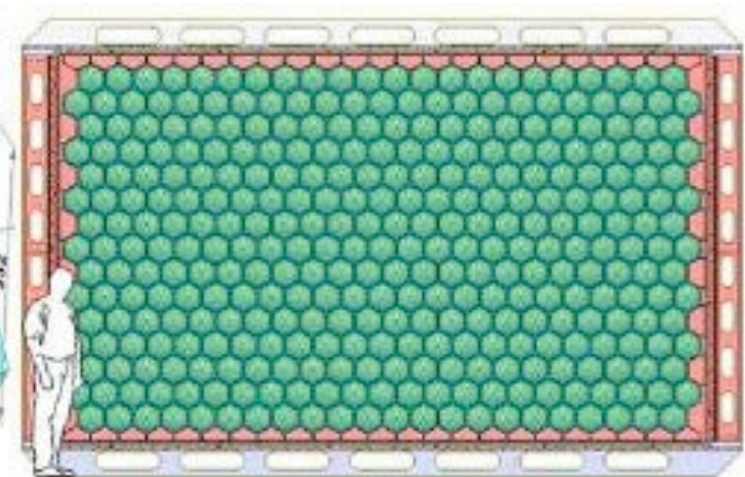
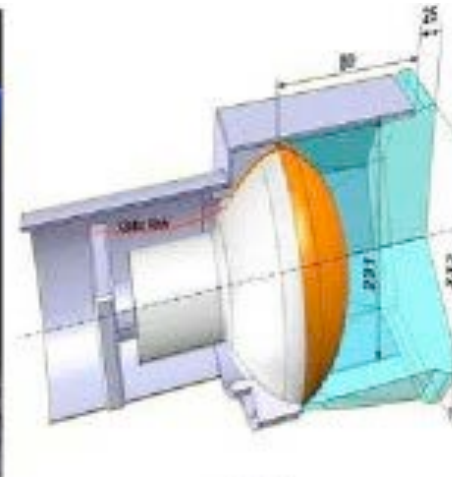
<m<sub>ee</sub>> ~ 40-105 meV @ 5y

**Single-Module:** 5x4x1 m<sup>3</sup>

- **track** (2000 wire Drift Cells in Geiger Mode)
- **calorimeter wall** (550 PVT +PMTs)
- **g veto**
- 25 Gauss B



**Calorimeter:** PVT (plastic scintillator) + PMT (~550/module)





~ 780 t Liquid Scintillator 0.1% <sup>nat</sup>Nd loaded (5.6% a.i. of <sup>150</sup>Nd ) in a Ø 6m Acrylic Vessel surrounded by 7000 t ultrapure H<sub>2</sub>O and ~9000 PMT.  
 @SNO Lab Start ~ 2014

**ββ candidate:** <sup>150</sup>Nd – Q 3370 keV

**Source Mass:**

43.7 kg <sup>150</sup>Nd – N<sub>ββ</sub> 1.8 x10<sup>26</sup>

**Trade off** ΔE / Nd loading

**Main Bkg:**

- Th/U in LS and Nd negligible/tagged
- 2νββ → fit at End Point
- <sup>8</sup>B solar ν

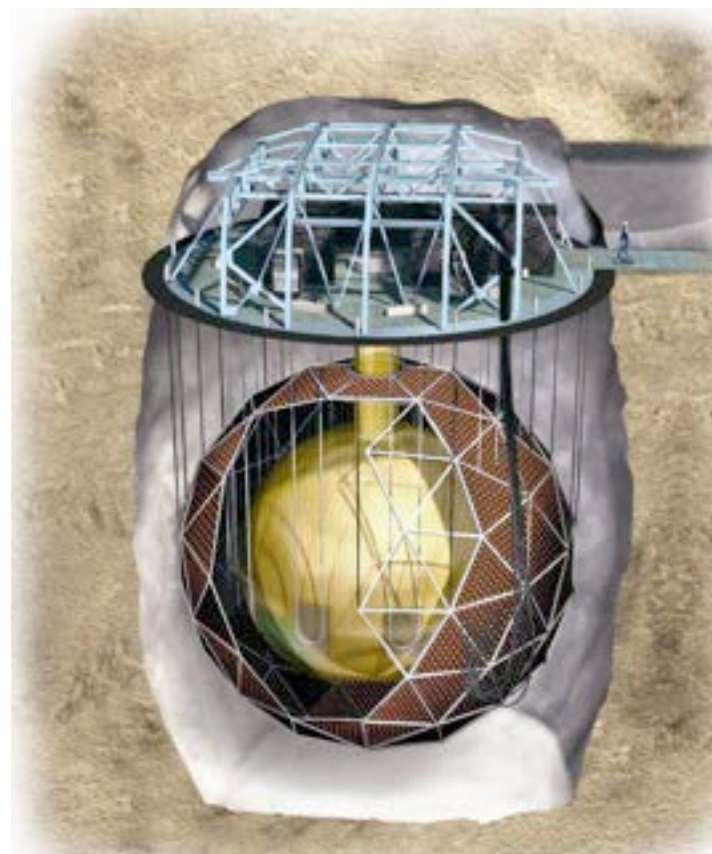
**Projected FWHM:** ~ 6.4% @ROI

**Sensitivity T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>0ν</sup>:**

7.7x10<sup>24</sup> in 5 y

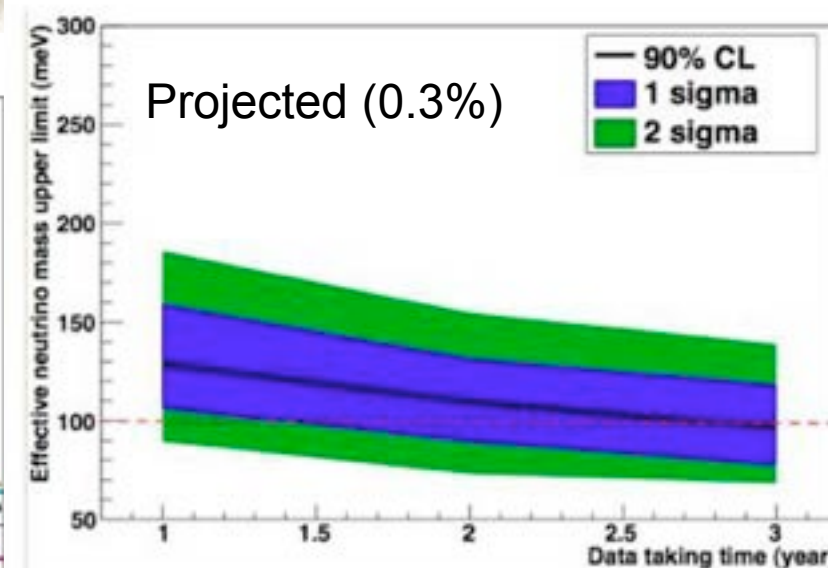
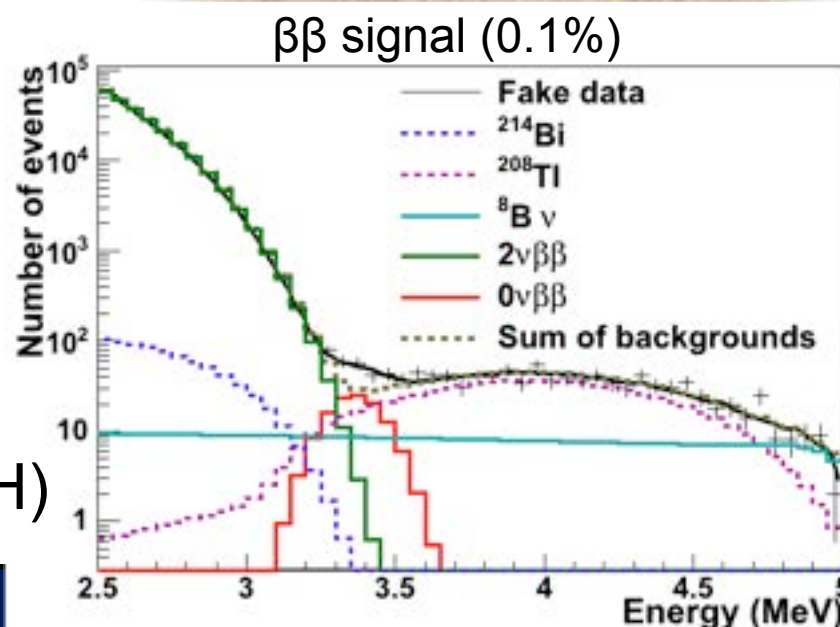
**Sensitivity <m<sub>ee</sub>>:**

<m<sub>ee</sub>> < 172 ÷ 180 meV in 5 y (> IH)



**Schedule:**

- 2011:** - Finish cavity  
 - AV hold-down-net  
 - Sand in AV
- 2012:** - LS process system  
 - Water fill: cal runs
- 2013:** - Pure LS phase
- 2014:** - Nd-loaded phase
- Then:** - 0.3% Nd loading?  
 - <sup>150</sup>Nd enrichment?





# NEXT-100

**119 kg High Pressure Gas-<sup>enr</sup>Xe EL TPC (~ 90% of <sup>136</sup>Xe ) with double read-out (ion +scint/EL) allowing good DE + event 3D tracking and topology for a free bkg exp.**  
 @SLC                      Next-1: on-going                      Next-100: ~ 2015                      Future 1t?

**ββ candidate:** <sup>136</sup>Xe – Q 2458 keV

**Source Mass:**

~ 90 kg FMass <sup>136</sup>Xe – N<sub>ββ</sub> 4.0 x10<sup>26</sup>

**Bkg Strategy:**

- low activity materials / GasXe purity monitor
- conventional screening techniques
- 3 cuts: FV + ROI + topology

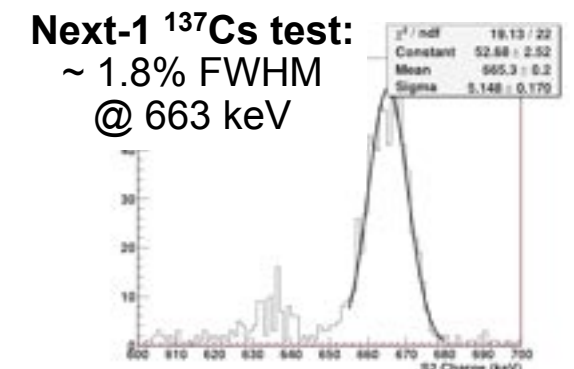
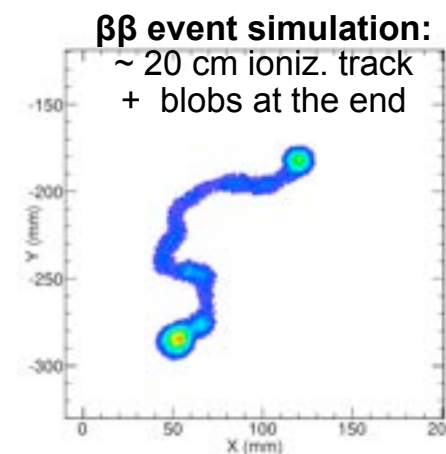
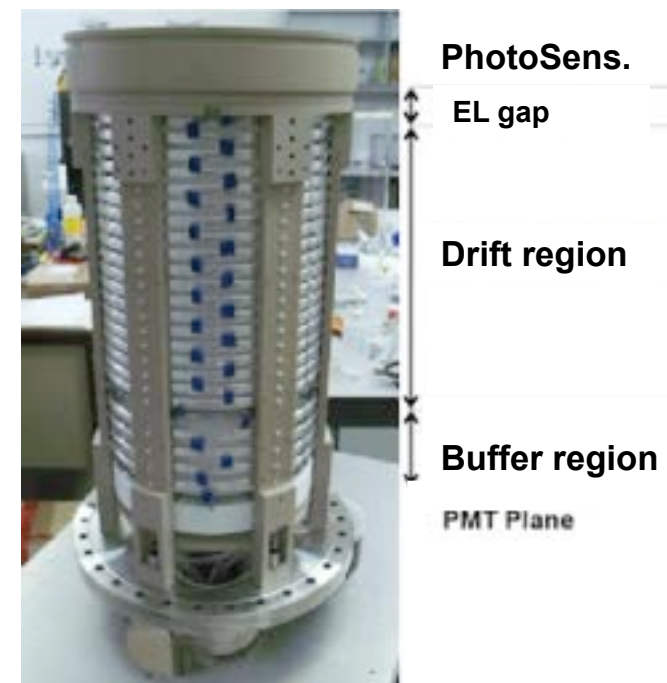
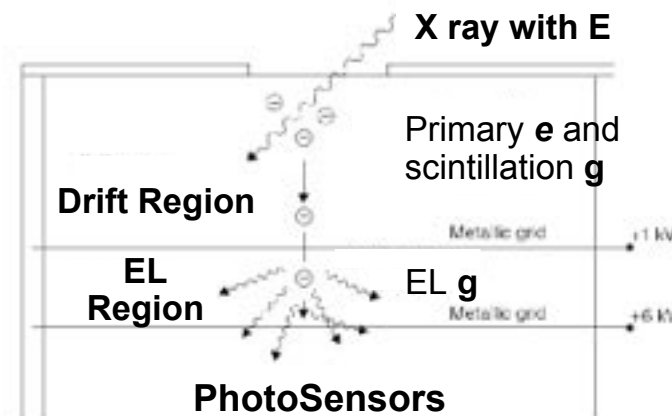
**Projected Bkg:** ~ 2·10<sup>-4</sup> c/keV/kg/y

**Projected FWHM:** ~ 0.5-1% @ROI

**Target Sensitivity:**

Next-100: <m<sub>ee</sub>> ~ 89 meV @ 6y

Next-100+Next-1t: <m<sub>ee</sub>> ~ 38 meV @ 6y (3+3)





**Large Array (total 420 kg) CdZnTe smc detectors ( $^{116}\text{Cd}$  enr.) – solid state TPC at room temperature with tracking capability.**

@LNGS R&D: on-going with 2 types of det. COBRA: technical design report ~2013

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:** 9 candidates  
Most promising (high Q)  $^{116}\text{Cd}$  – **Q** 2809 keV

**2 types of detectors under consideration:**

- CoPlanar Grid Detectors (CPG)
  - \* little "location" info (with PSA)
  - \* simple read-out
- Pixelated Detectors
  - \* 3D "location" + Particle ID if small pixels.
  - \* Complex read-out

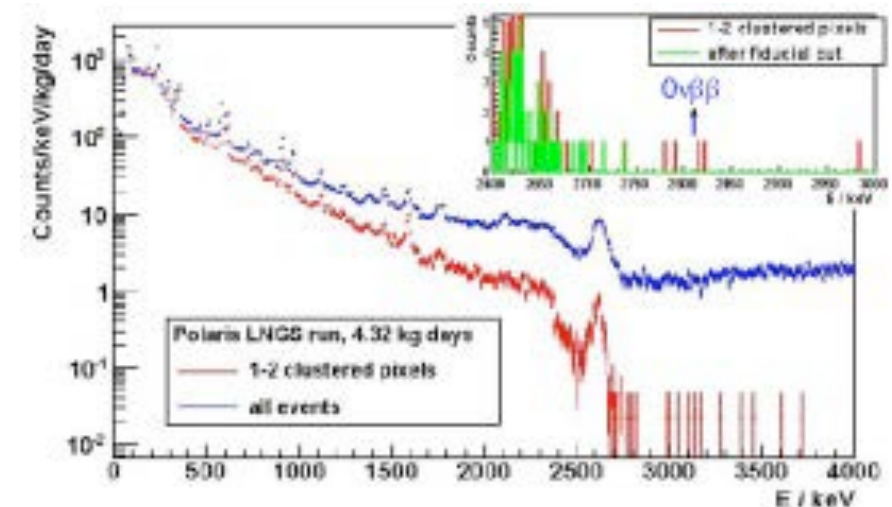
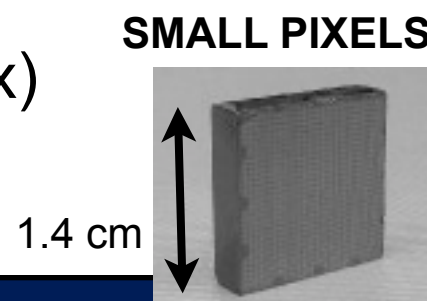
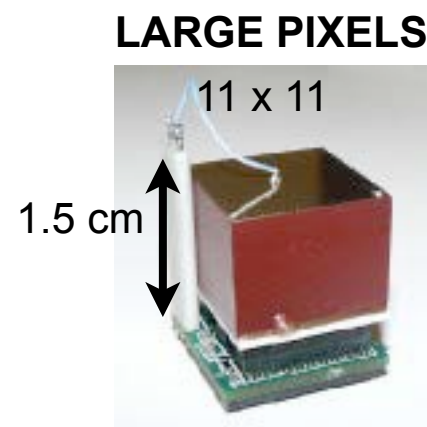
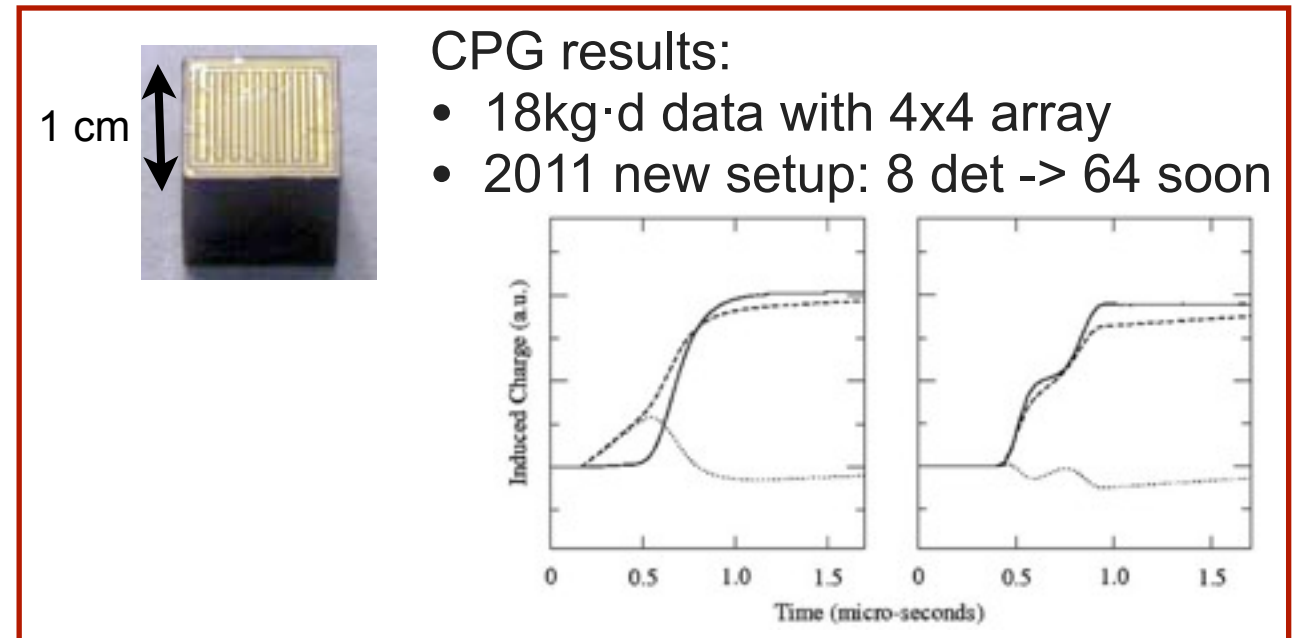
**Bkg Strategy:**

- low activity materials
- conventional screening techniques
- Multi/Single hit event with both types
- Tracking with Pixelated

**Projected DE:** < 2 (1) % @ROI with CGD(Pix)

**Target Sensitivity:**

COBRA  $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle \sim 50$  meV



# Lucifer

**ZnSe scintillating bolometers** (95% enriched  $^{82}\text{Se}$ ) at  $\sim 10$  mK  
 with double read-out (**heat/light**) for **alpha bkg** suppression  
**GOAL: demonstrate feasibility of large M exp with this technique**  
 @LNGS      Cuoricino/CUORE-0 cryostat      start  $\sim 2014$

**$\beta\beta$  candidate:**  $^{82}\text{Se} - Q$  2995 keV

**Source Mass:**

17.6 kg  $^{82}\text{Se} - N_{\beta\beta}$   $1.3 \times 10^{26}$

**Projected Bkg:**

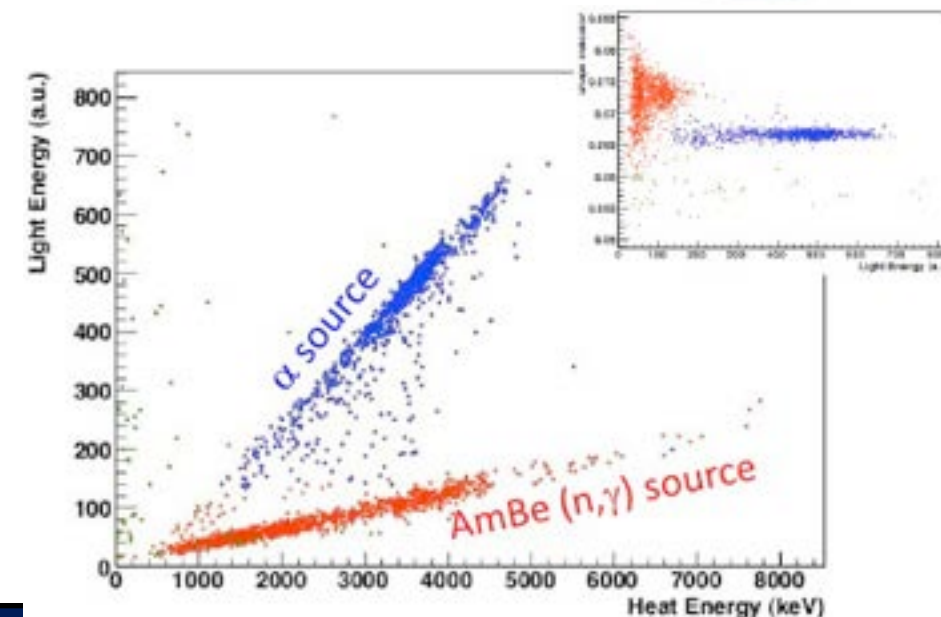
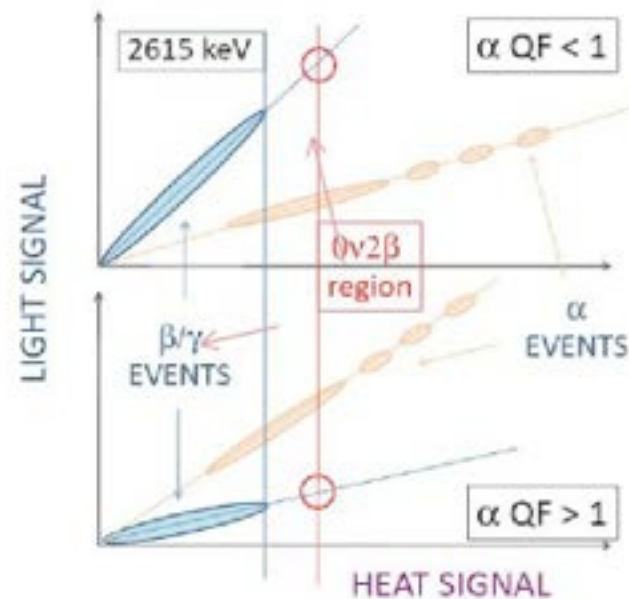
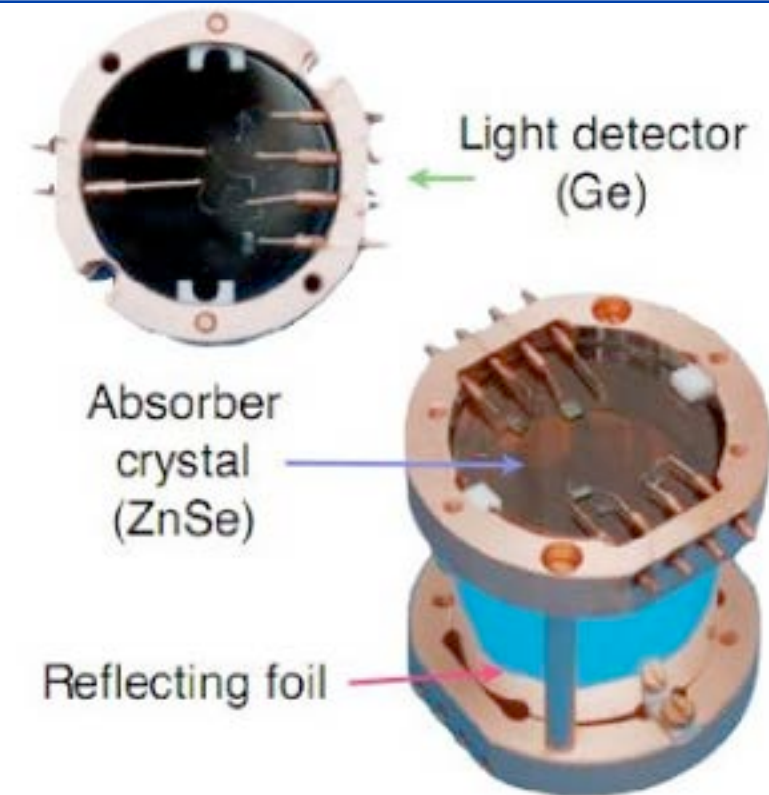
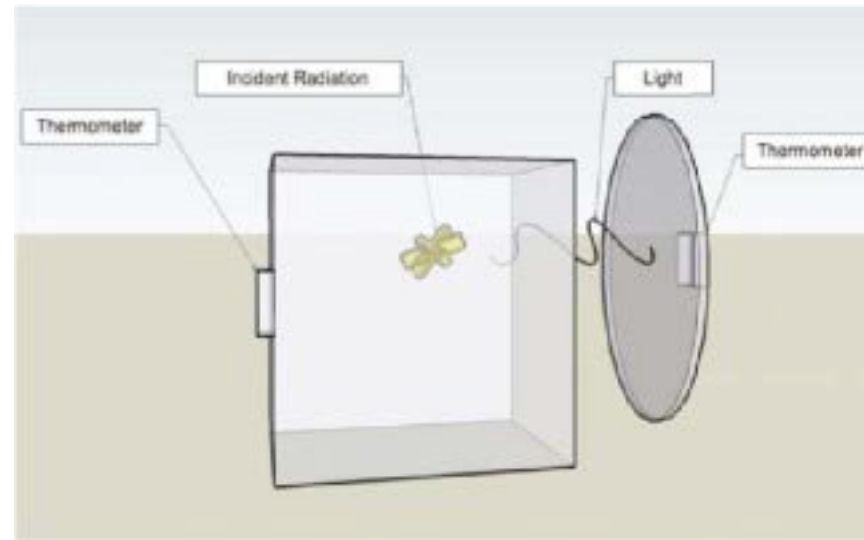
0.001 c/keV/kg/y

**Projected FWHM:**  $\sim 0.17\%$  @ROI

Measured FWHM:  $\sim 0.34\%$  @2615 keV

**LY:** 17.6 keV/MeV ( $\sim 8800$  phot/MeV)

**PSA:**  $\alpha/\beta$  separation (both heat & light)



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# Constraints on $\Sigma m(\nu)$

Method	Current $\Sigma m(\nu)$ bound (eV)	Future $\Sigma m(\nu)$ sensitivity (eV)	Datasets
CMB primordial (ISW, lensing, polarization)	0.66	0.2	Planck, WMAP, SPT, ACT
CMB primordial + distance scale	0.23		Planck, WMAP, SPT, ACT + BAO & H0
Galaxy distributions	0.6	0.1	SDSS, BOSS (DES, BigBOSS, LSST)
Lensing of galaxies	0.6	0.07	CFHT-LS, COSMOS (WFIRST, DES, LSST, EUCLID)
Lyman $\alpha$	0.2	0.1	SDSS, BOSS, KECK
21 cm mapping	-0.1	- 0.006	SKA, FFTT
Galaxy clusters	0.3	0.1	Planck, SPT, SDSS