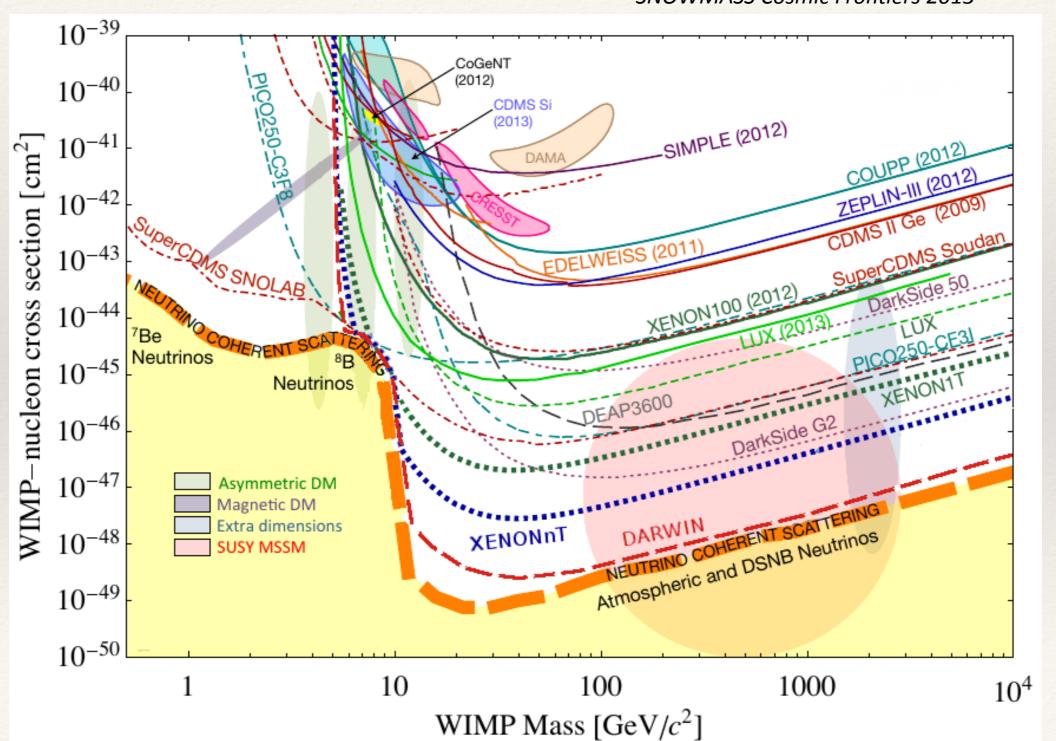
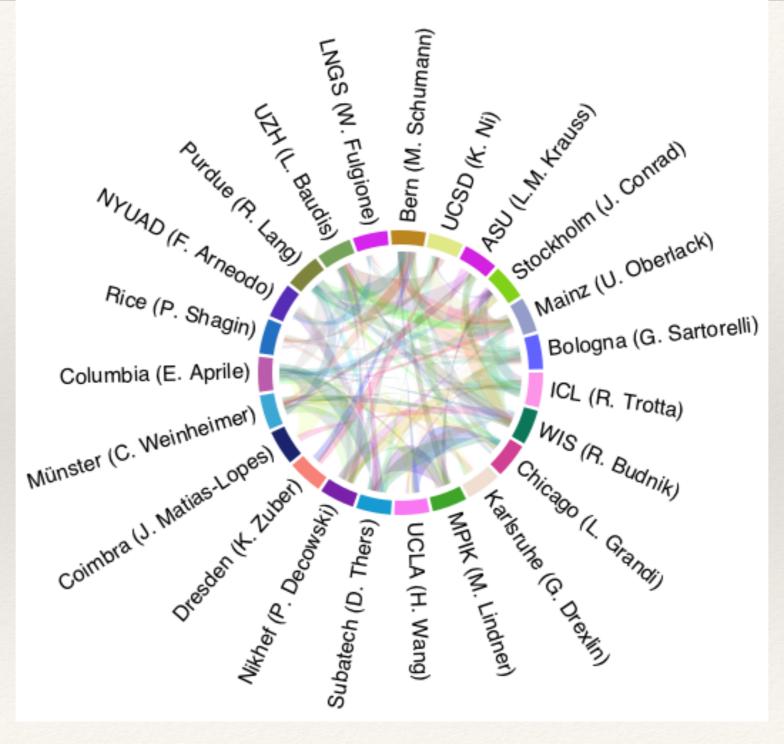


# a lively arena

#### **SNOWMASS Cosmic Frontiers 2013**

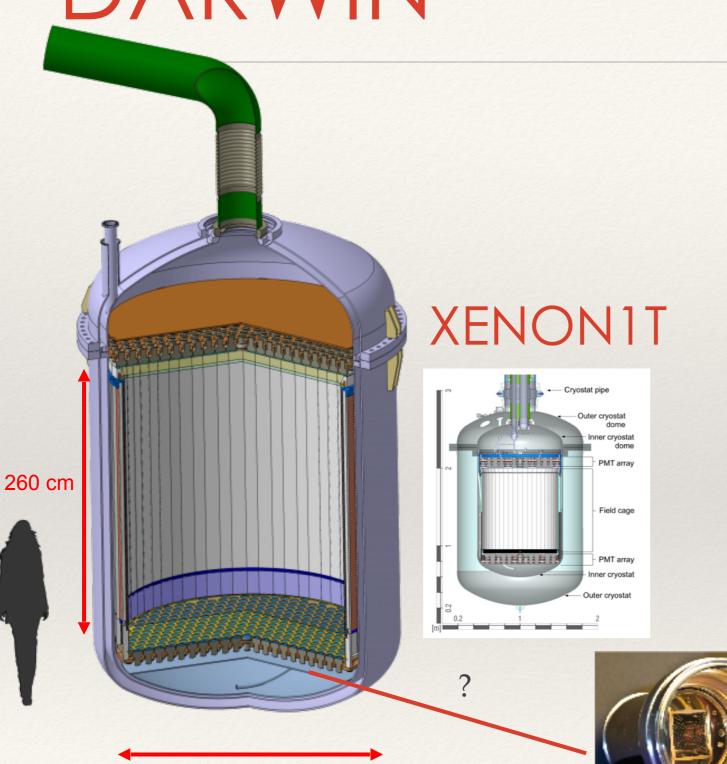


## the DARWIN consortium



http://darwin.physik.uzh.ch/collaboration.html

#### DARWIN



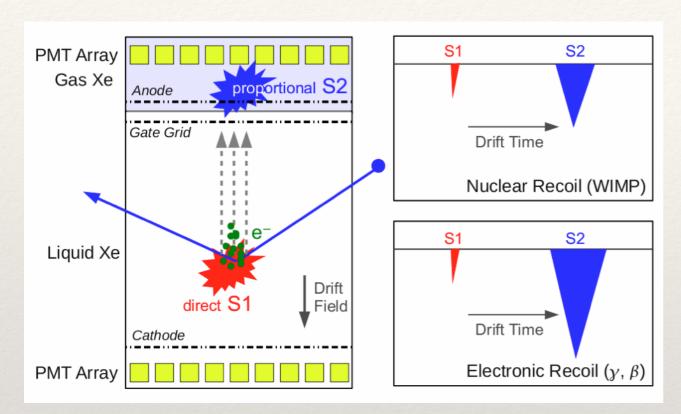
- 30 t fiducial mass (baseline)
- 40 † LXe TPC
- 50 t total LXe mass
- 130 kV HV for 500 V/cm
- ~ 14 m water tank
- 7 x current Xe storage facility
- ~1000 photosensors (which ones?)



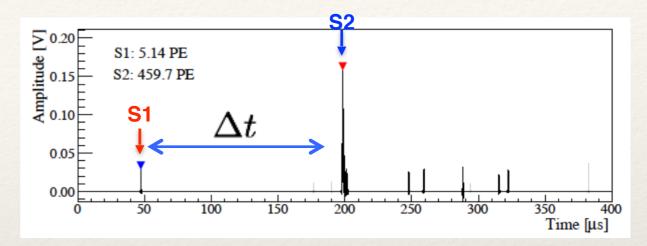
260 cm

3-inch PMT, R11410-21

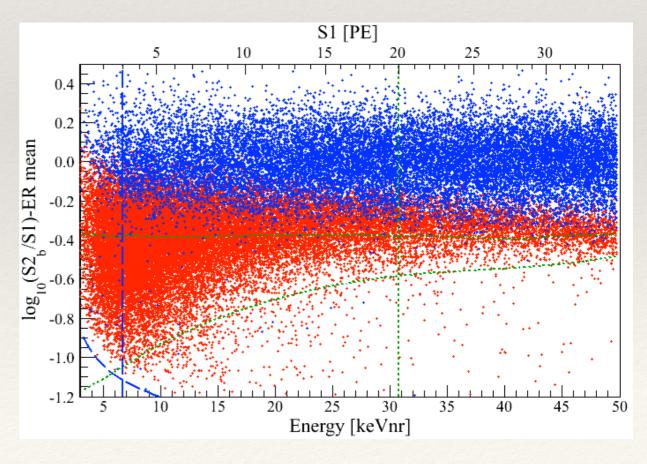
#### the wonders of double phase TPCs







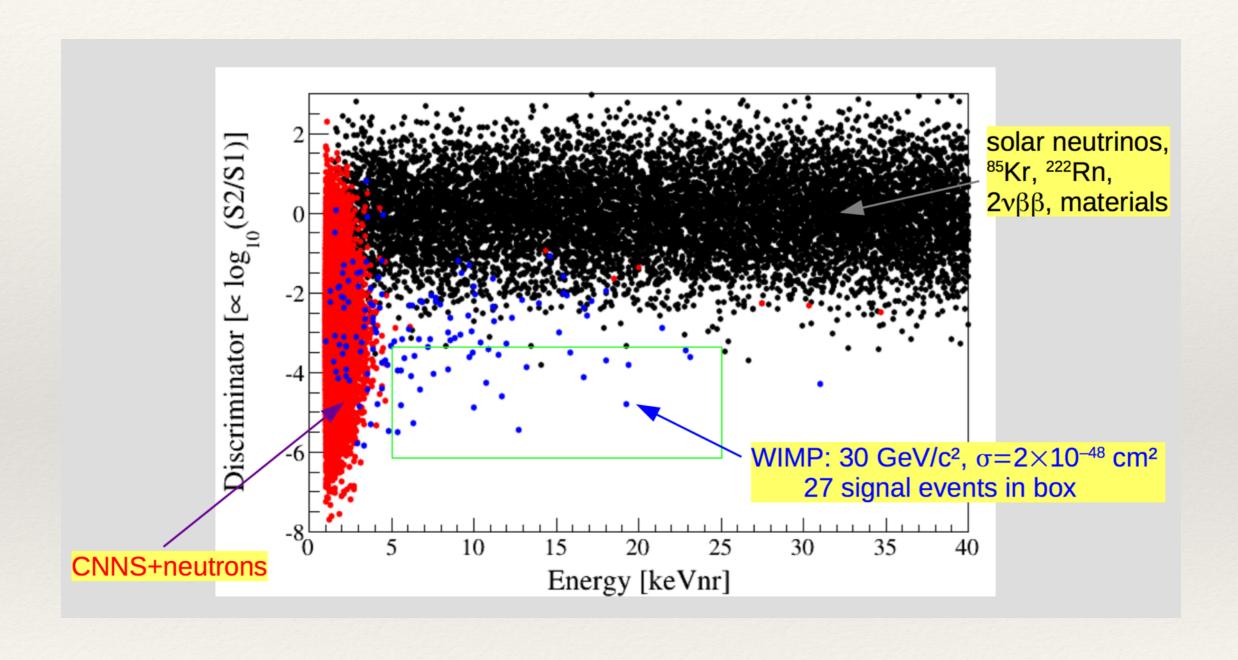
XENON100, ER rejection power 99.75%



## physics with DARWIN

- WIMP search (SI, SD)
- solar neutrinos
- axions and axion-like particles
- neutrinoless double beta decay
- SN neutrinos
- neutrino coherent scattering

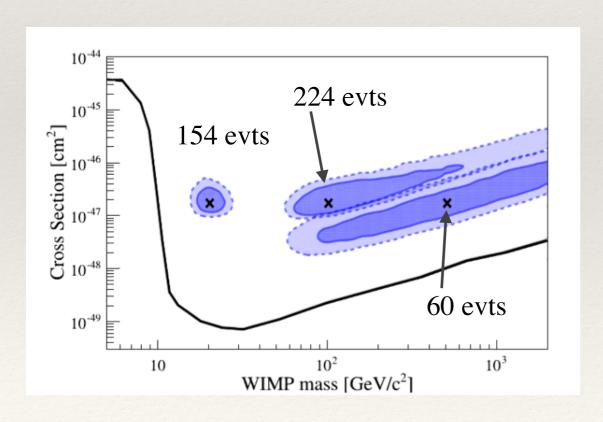
#### what we would see?

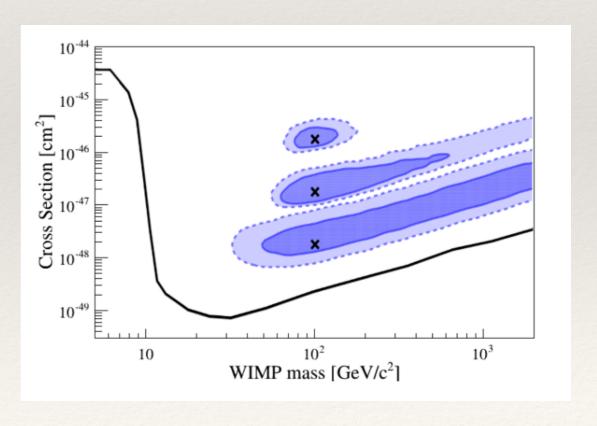


#### WIMP search

- sensitivity of 2.5 x 10<sup>-49</sup> cm<sup>2</sup> at 40 GeV for 200 t x y exposure
- spin dependent sensitivity (50% abundance of 129Xe and 131Xe)
- inelastic scattering

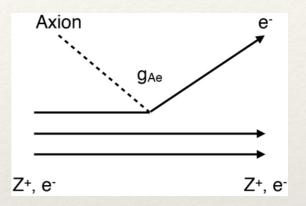
200 t x y

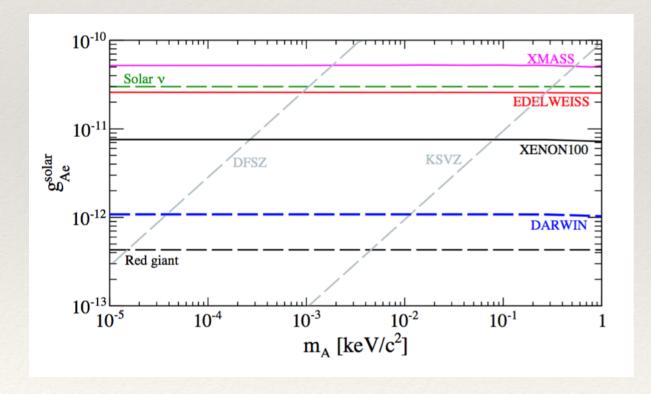


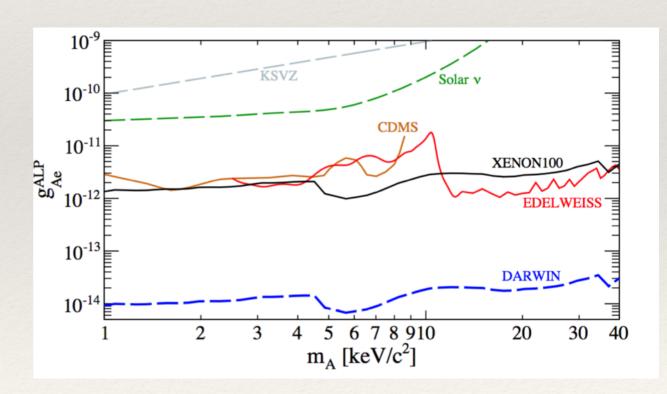


#### axions and ALPs

- detectable through axio-electric effect
  - mono energetic peak
- improvement over XENON100 (more significant for galactic axions)

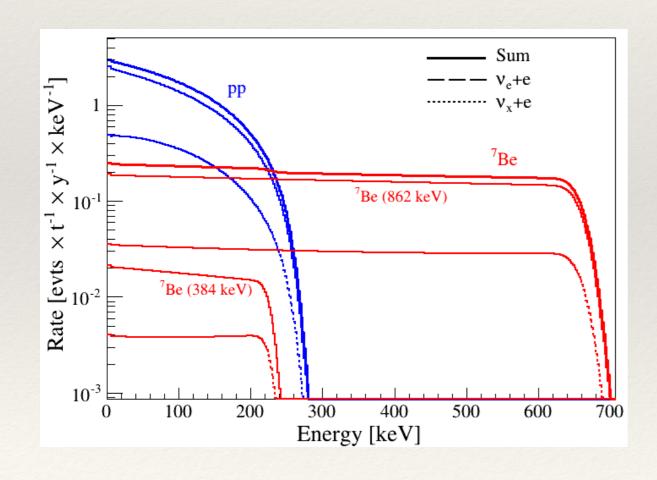


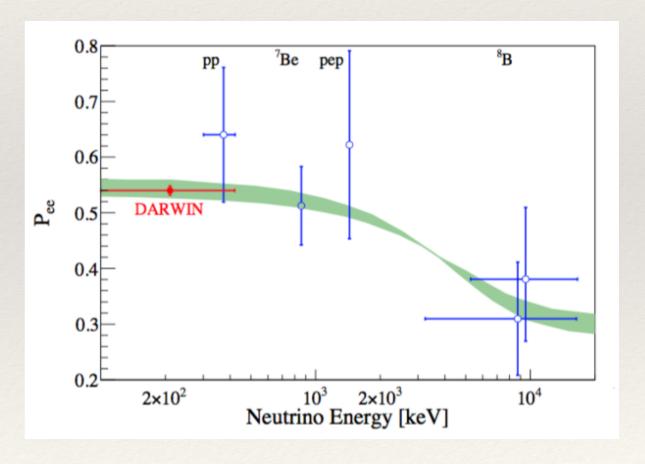




#### solar neutrinos

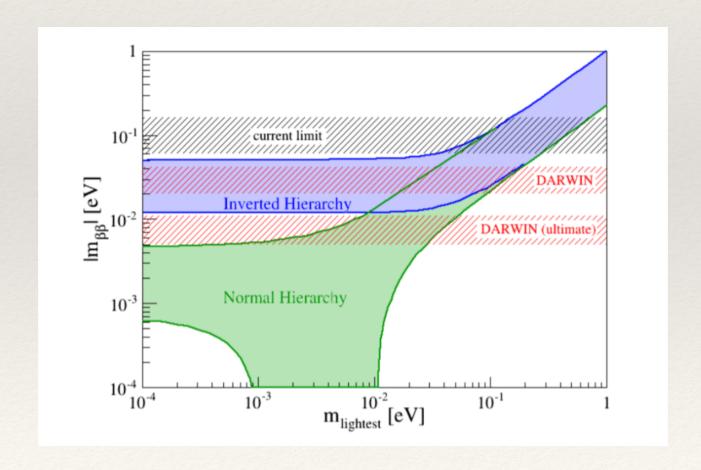
- $v_{pp} = 7.2/\text{day} v_{7Be} = 0.9/\text{day}$  (2-30 keV<sub>ee</sub>, 30 t fiducial)
- <1% comparison of neutrino and em luminosity</p>





## neutrinoless double \beta decay

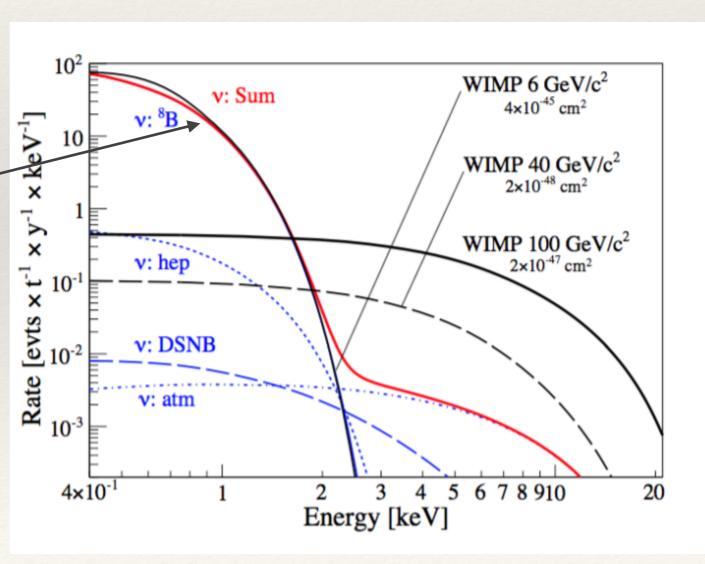
- <sup>136</sup>Xe, 8.9%, Q<sub>value</sub>=2.458 MeV (1% resolution achievable)
- challenge of the different energy scale



#### coherent neutrino-nucleus scattering

- B solar neutrinos and atmospheric
- with a 1.4 keV<sub>nr</sub> threshold,  $\sim$  90 events per ton per year (mostly  $^8B$ )
- predicted but never observed

differential nuclear recoil \_\_\_\_\_\_ spectrum from coherent scattering of neutrinos (will use this again for backgrounds)

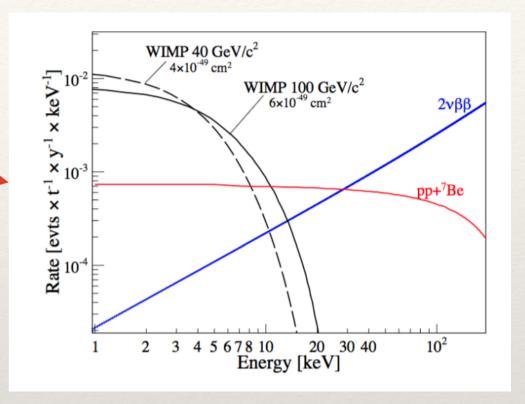


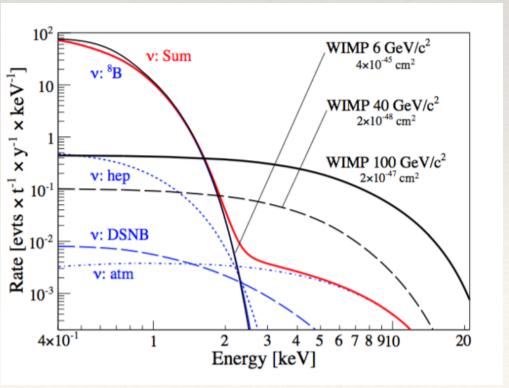
#### backgrounds: cosmogenic&intrinsic

- neutrons, of course!
  - a14 m diameter active water tank will make cosmogenic neutrons negligible
  - materials (especially PTFE) must be carefully chosen
  - expected single-scatter nuclear recoil rate of about
     3.8x10 events t y keV in the fiducial 30t.
- intrinsic backgrounds
  - Kr (needed a 0.1 ppt Kr contamination or less)
  - Rn biggest challenge, have to achieve ~0.1 μBq/kg
  - total Xe-intrinsic background ~17 events t y (2-10 keVee interval) -> may be further reduced

## neutrino background

- solar v scattering on electrons (pp,  $^{7}$ Be): about  $\sim$ 0.26 v events  $t^{-1}d^{-1}$  (2-30 keV) > 2850 events/year
- need 99.98% rejection power
- coherent scattering:
  - irreducible background, indistinguishable from WIMP scattering
    - expect >90 events t<sup>-1</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>
       for a 1 keV<sub>ee</sub> threshold





# backgrounds

Source	Rate	Spectrum	Comment
	$[events/(t\cdot y\cdot keVxx)]$		
$\gamma$ -rays materials	0.054	flat	assumptions as discussed in text
$neutrons^*$	$3.8 \times 10^{-5}$	exp. decrease	average of [5.0-20.5] keVnr interval
intrinsic $^{85}{ m Kr}$	1.44	flat	assume 0.1 ppt of <sup>nat</sup> Kr
intrinsic $^{222}$ Rn	0.35	flat	assume $0.1  \mu \mathrm{Bq/kg}$ of $^{222}\mathrm{Rn}$
$2 uetaeta$ of $^{136}\mathrm{Xe}$	0.73	linear rise	average of [2-10] keVee interval
pp- and $^7\mathrm{Be}~ u$	3.25	$\operatorname{flat}$	details see [19]
CNNS*	0.0022	real	average of [4.0-20.5] keVnr interval

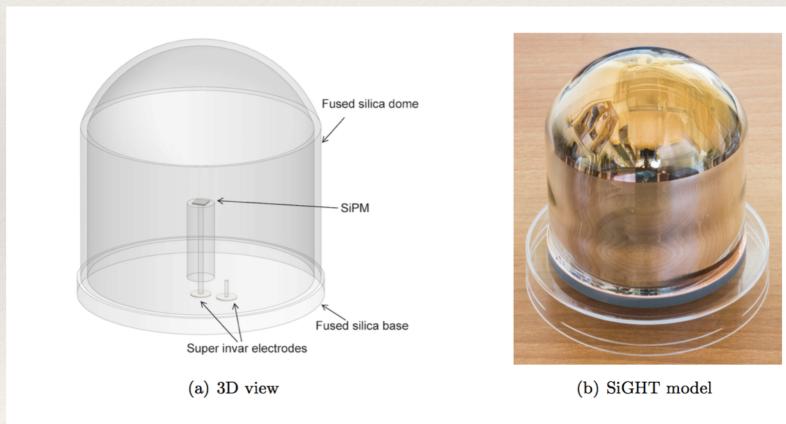
from JCAP 10, 016 (2015)

## novel photodetectors

#### SIGHT:

Silicon Geiger Hybrid Tube

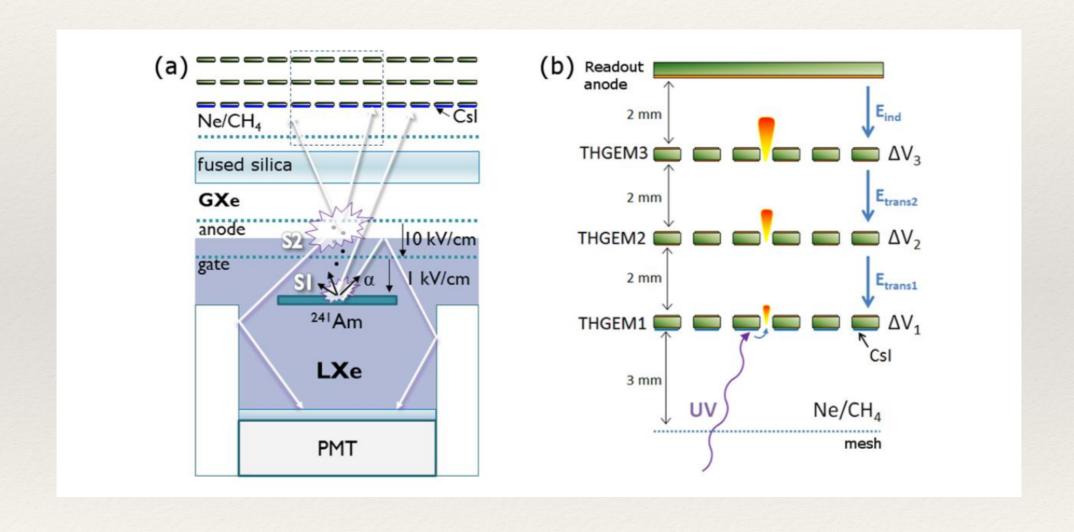
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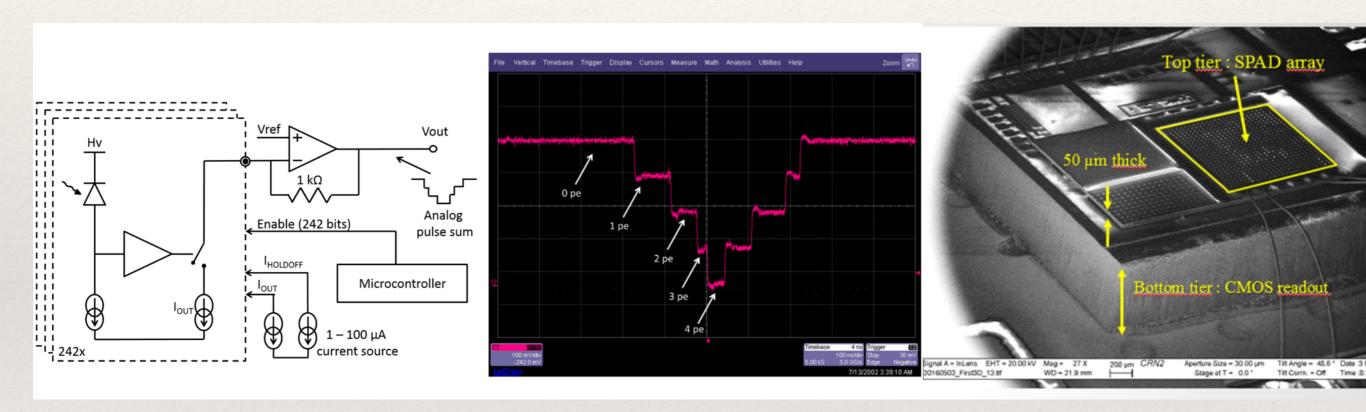
**Figure 1**. Left: 3D view of SiGHT, SiGHT only consists of one fused silica dome, one fused silica base, one SiPM and two super invar electrodes; Right: Picture of a SiGHT model fabricated and assembled at the UCLA SiGHT lab.

## novel photodetectors: THGEMs

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#### novel photodetectors: Digital SiPMs

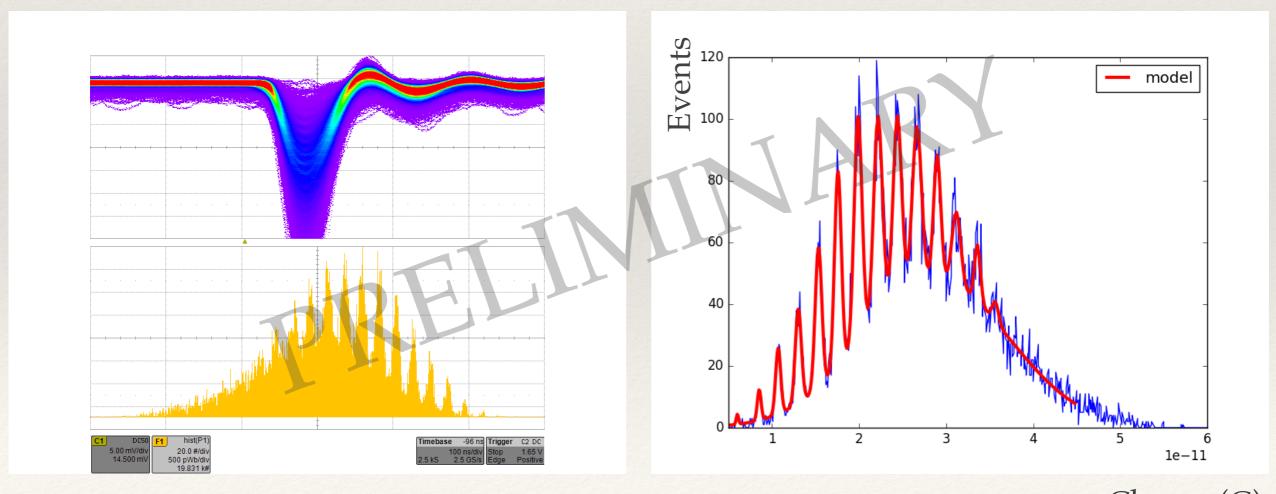


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http://indico.ihep.ac.cn/event/6387/session/19/contribution/211/material/slides/0.pdf

## ongoing R&D

- ongoing efforts across the consortium on several technologies
- an example from NYUAD, working with an array of 16 Hamamatsu VUV4 MPPC, publication coming soon.



### conclusions

- \* DARWIN will be the ultimate LXe detector for WIMP search
- several interesting physics channels available
- need for a large collaboration to share efforts and costs
- technological challenges
- \* time scale ~ 2025 onwards