

DETECTOR STATUS OF **AMORE-PILOT** EXPERIMENT

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AMoRE

Advanced
Mo-based
Rare process
Experiment

An experiment to investigate the Majorana nature of neutrino and hence measure the effective Majorana neutrino mass by searching for the **NEUTRINOLESS DOUBLE-BETA DECAY** of Molybdenum-100 using scintillating low temperature bolometers

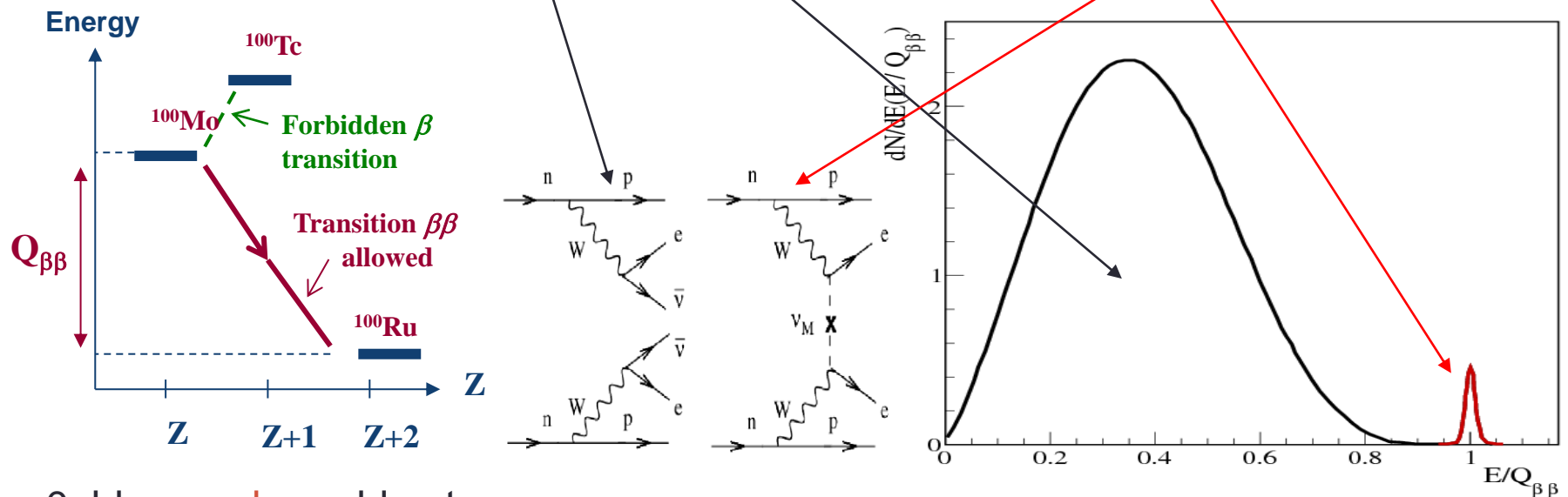
Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay (0nbb)

Double Beta Decay with two neutrinos

$(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z+2, A) + 2e^- + 2\text{anti-}\nu_e$ ($\Delta L = 0$, conserved)

Double Beta Decay with no neutrino

$(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z+2, A) + 2e^-$ ($\Delta L = 2$, violated)

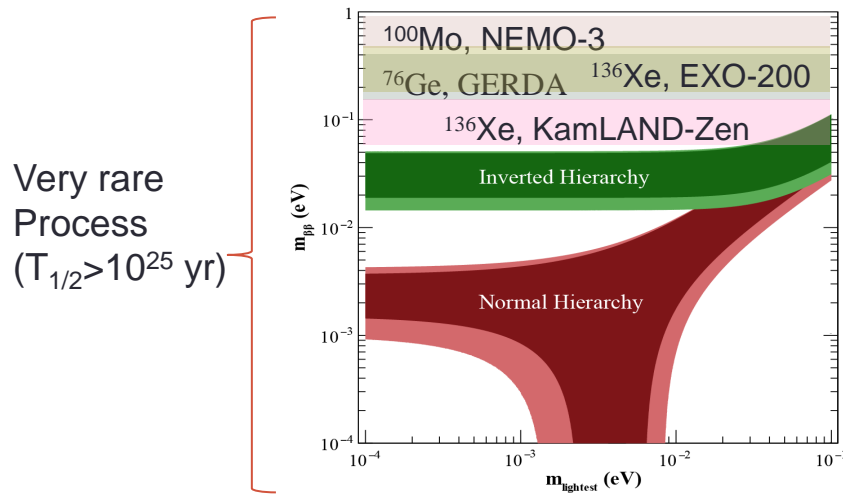


0nbb search enables to...

- ❖ Probe Majorana nature of neutrinos
- ❖ Measure the absolute effective Majorana mass of neutrinos
- ❖ Check the Lepton number conservation

...Possibility of physics beyond the SM!

Searching for $0\nu\beta\beta$



Detection strategies:

- **Large exposure**
 - ✓ Large mass scale possible
 - ✓ High-abundance isotope
 - ✓ High detection efficiency
- **Low background**
 - ✓ Material selection
 - ✓ Shieldings from muons and external
 - ✓ High Q-value (to lower background)
 - ✓ Good energy resolution

For sizeable background case:

$$\lim T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(\text{exp}) = (\ln 2) N_a \frac{a}{A} \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{b \Delta E}} \sqrt{\frac{MT}{\text{Background level (count/keV kg year)}}}$$

Diagram illustrating the variables in the equation for the sizeable background case:

- Isotopic Abundance → a
- Detection Efficiency → ε
- Detector Mass → M
- Time → T
- Atomic mass → A
- Background level (count/keV kg year) → $b \Delta E$
- Energy Resolution → ΔE

For “zero background” case:

(Expected background rate in ROI < 1 for given MT)

$$\lim T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(\text{exp}) = (\ln 2) N_a \frac{a}{A} \varepsilon \frac{MT}{n_{CL}}$$

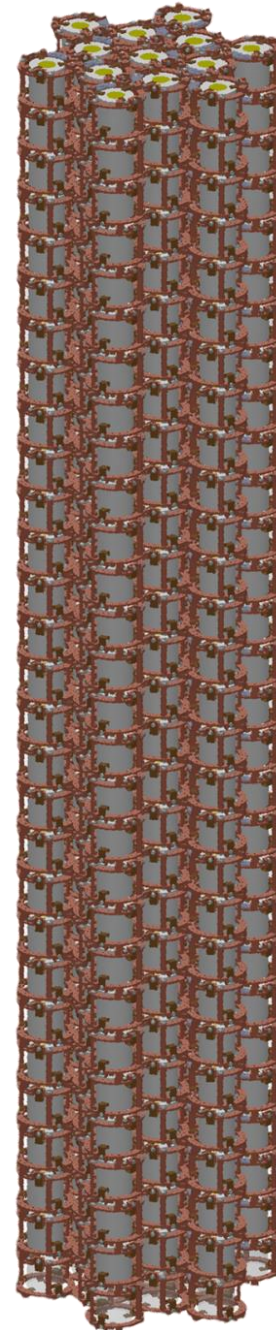
AMoRE-Experiment

Advanced **Mo**-based **R**are process **E**xperiment

AMoRE-Phase II Concept design



- ❖ **0nbb source:** ^{100}Mo
- ❖ **Absorber:** Scintillating Mo-based crystal
- ❖ **Detection technique:** Low temperature detectors (MMCs @ ~ 10 mK)
- ❖ **Laboratory type:** Underground experiment



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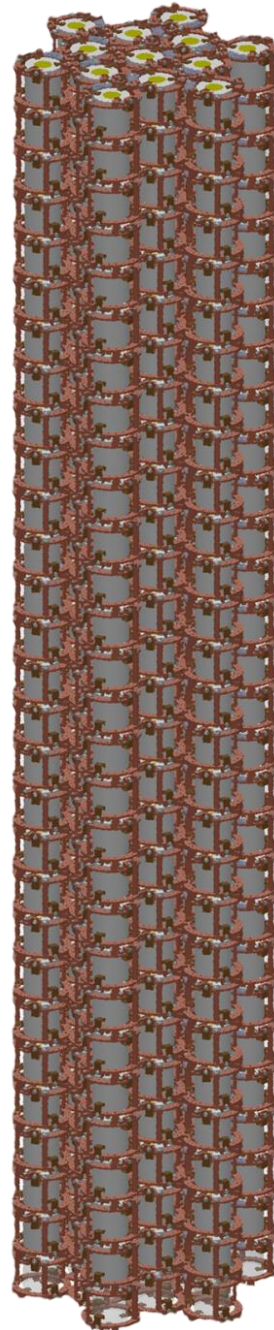
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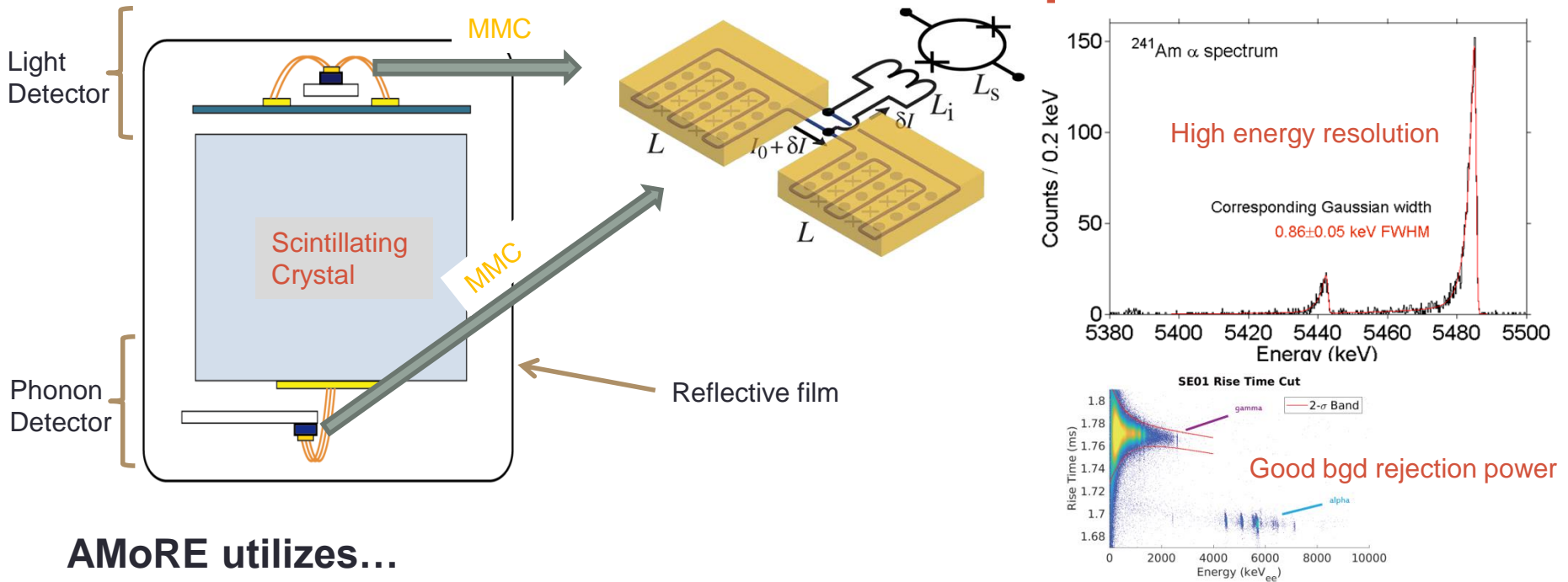
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Candidates	$Q_{\beta\beta}$ (MeV)	N.A. (%)
$^{48}\text{Ca} \rightarrow ^{48}\text{Ti}$	4.271	0.187
$^{76}\text{Ge} \rightarrow ^{76}\text{Se}$	2.040	7.8
$^{82}\text{Se} \rightarrow ^{82}\text{Kr}$	2.995	9.2
$^{96}\text{Zr} \rightarrow ^{96}\text{Mo}$	3.350	2.8
$^{100}\text{Mo} \rightarrow ^{100}\text{Ru}$	3.034	9.6
$^{110}\text{Pd} \rightarrow ^{110}\text{Cd}$	2.013	11.8
$^{116}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{116}\text{Sn}$	2.802	7.5
$^{124}\text{Sn} \rightarrow ^{124}\text{Te}$	2.228	5.64
$^{130}\text{Te} \rightarrow ^{130}\text{Xe}$	2.533	34.5
$^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba}$	2.479	8.9
$^{150}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{150}\text{Sm}$	3.367	5.6

Phys. Rev. C 53, 695 (1996)

AMoRE Detector Concepts



AMoRE utilizes...

- ✓ **Cryogenic** detection method $\sim 10\text{mK}$ temperature \longrightarrow Good energy resolution (\sim few keV)
- ✓ **Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter (MMC)** as temperature sensor \longrightarrow Fast response, good energy resolution (\sim few keV)
- ✓ **XMoO_x(XMO)** crystals as both the source and the absorber \longrightarrow High detection efficiency ($\sim 80\%$)
- ✓ **Phonon-photon** simultaneous detection technique \longrightarrow Good bgd rejection power

AMoRE-Experiment

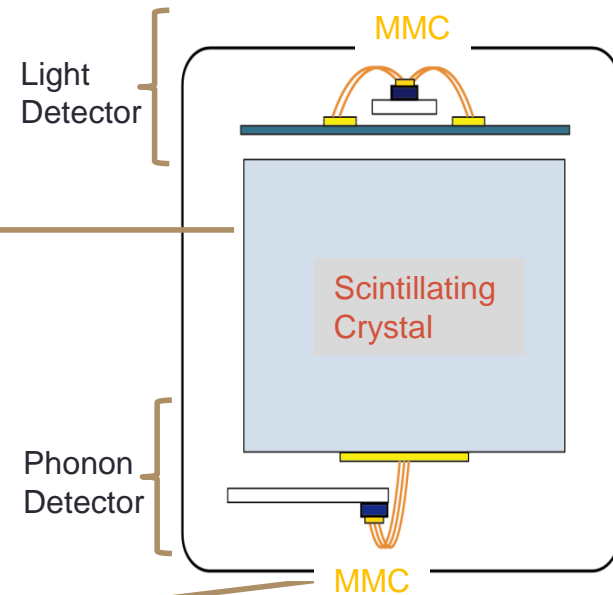
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AMoRE-PILOT Experiment

The commissioning phase of AMoRE experiment at the Y2L underground laboratory

Purposes:

1. To check overall status of detector performances, cryostat, shielding, DAQ system and all other conditions.
2. To identify and to remove possible sources of backgrounds

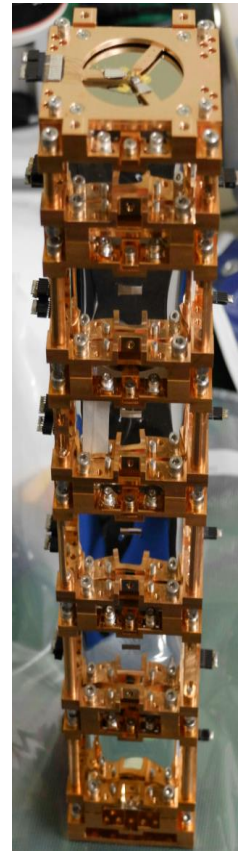
Period:

2015.08 ~ 2018.08 (Expected)

Conditions:

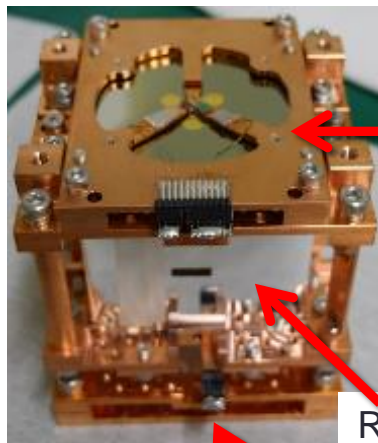
1. Base temperature @ 10-30 mK
2. 700-meter-deep Yangyang underground laboratory (Y2L)
3. Six $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals, ~1.9 kg (grown at JSC “Fomos-Materials”)

6 Crystals



AMoRE-Pilot Setup

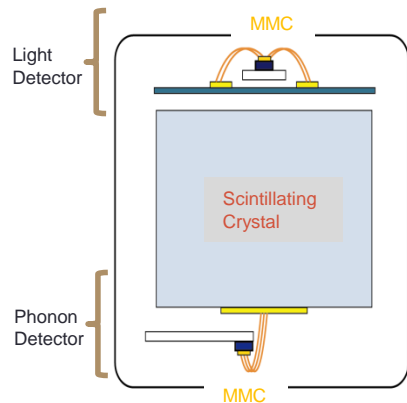
Detector module



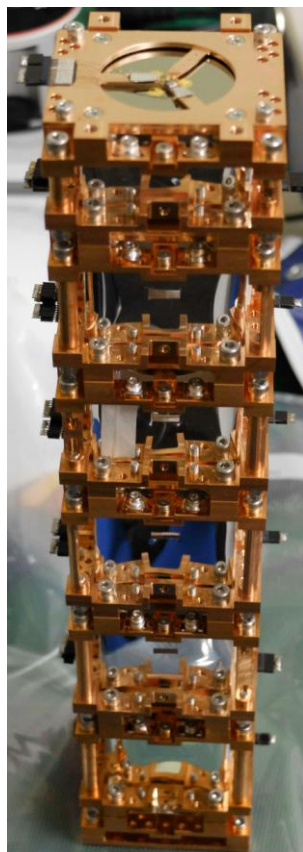
Detachable
light detector

Reflective film
(Crystal inside)

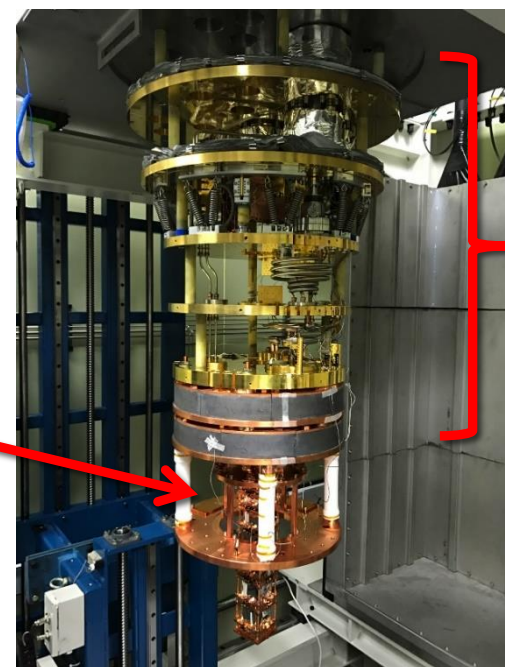
Heat detector at the bottom



Detector tower



Installed in the cryostat

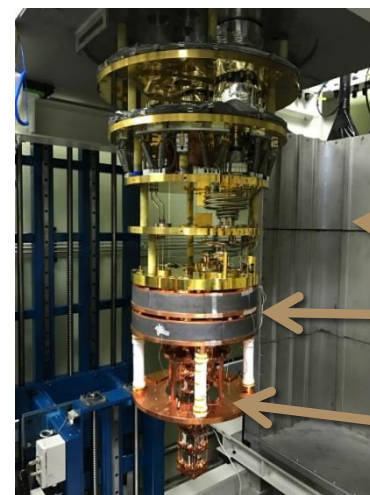


CF-DR

Background Reduction



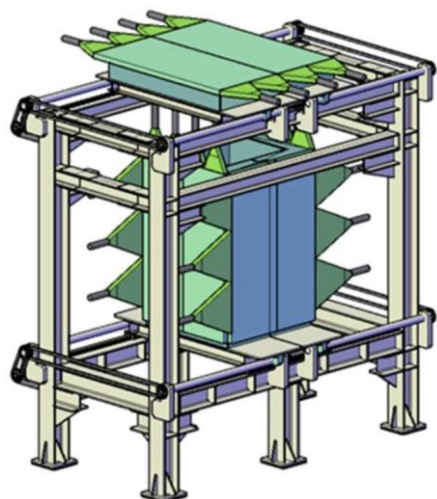
700-meter-deep Yangyang underground laboratory (Y2L)



15cm thick lead shield

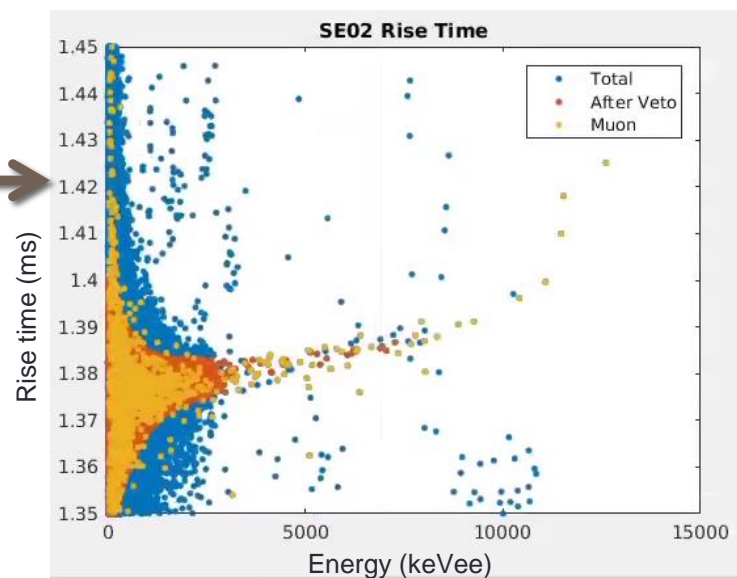
Low-background lead
(Ancient lead)

High radiopurity copper



Muon veto system

Muon-coincidence tagging



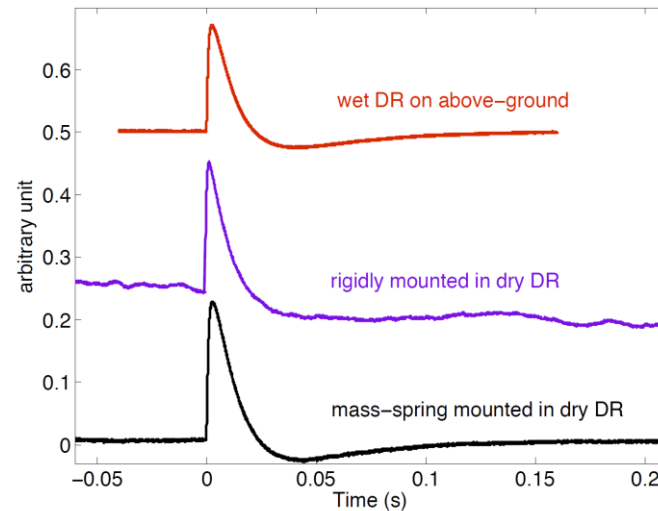
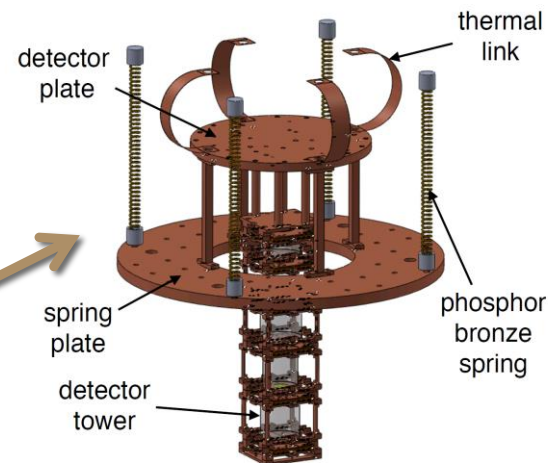
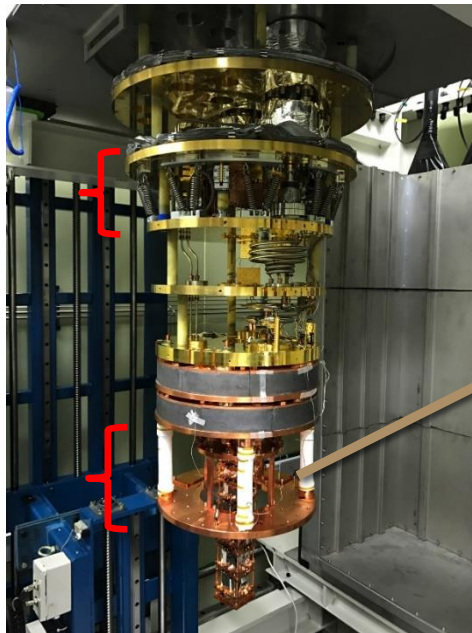
AMoRE-Pilot runs

- Run1: Pilot installation of 10 mK measurement for 5 crystals ($^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$)
- Run2: Noise improvement (low & high freq.) (Detector module design)
- Run3: New IVC installation (For background reduction)
- Run4: Noise improvement (low freq.) (Mass-spring damper)
- Run5: Muon veto, Noise improvement (low freq.) (Spring-suspended still)
(6 crystals, 4 month run.)
- **Run6: Main background source removal, Noise improvement (low freq.)
(Now!)**

Two-Stage Vibration Isolation

Leiden Spin Imaging's
Spring Suspended Still
(SSS) damper
[with Eddy currents]

Mass Spring
damper (MSD)

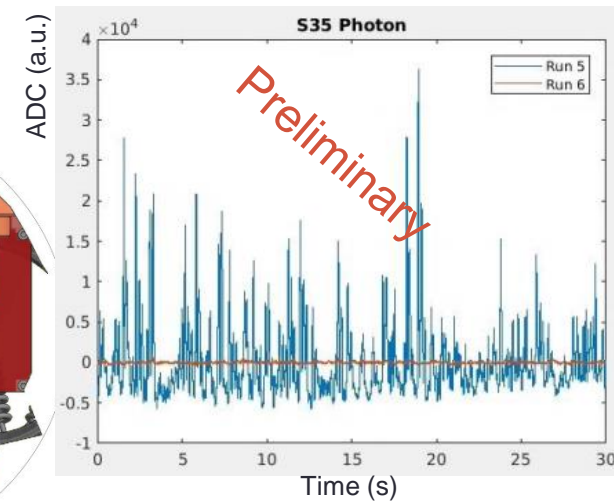
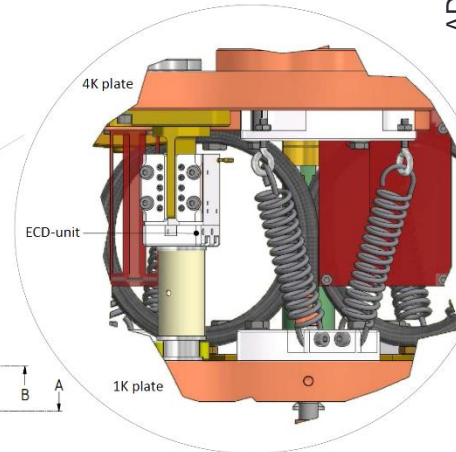
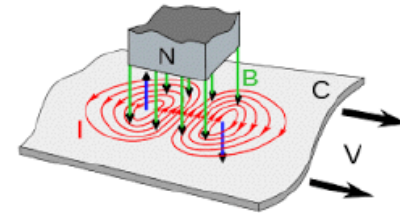
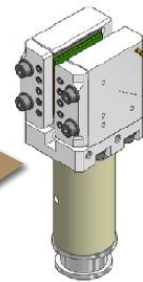
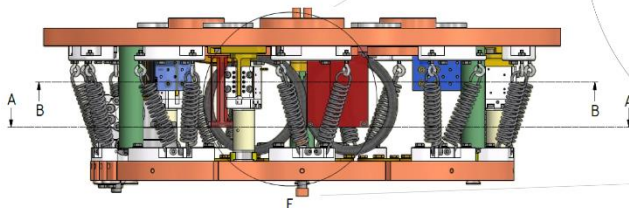
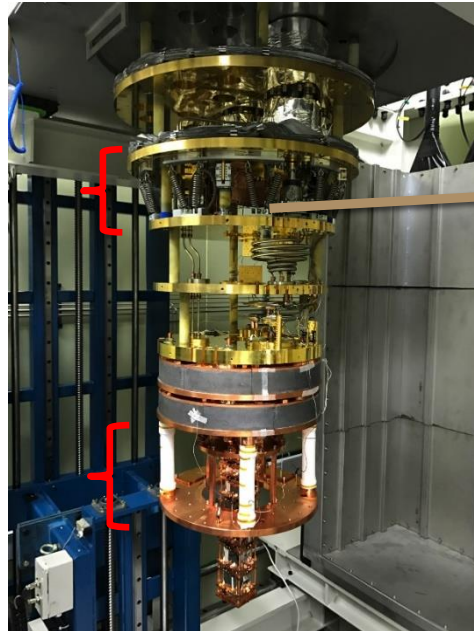


Run-4

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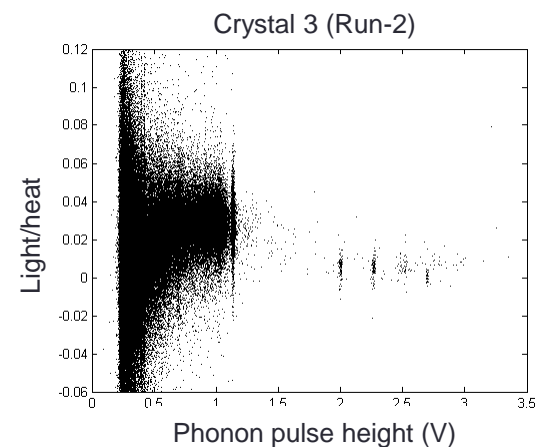
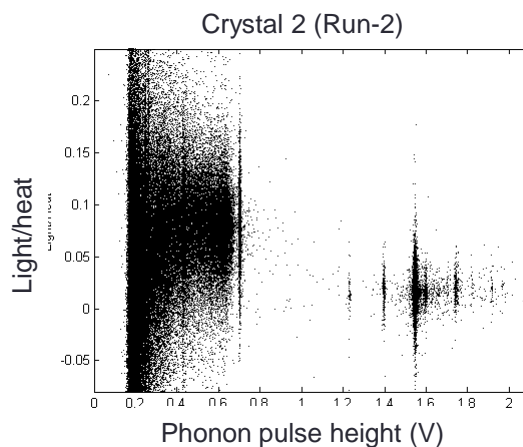
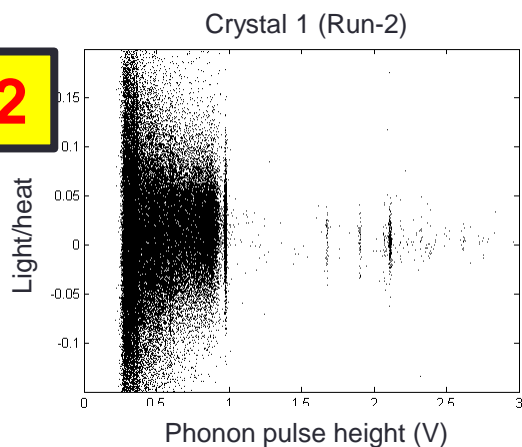
Mass Spring
damper (MSD)



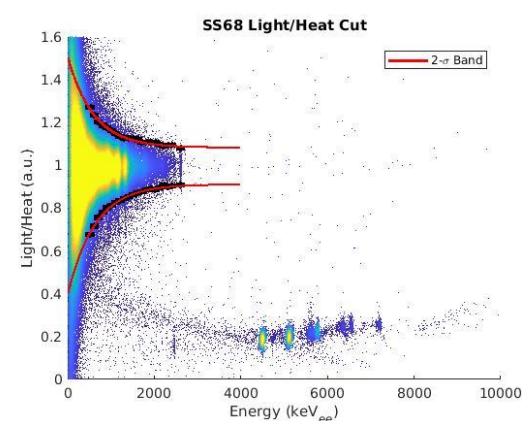
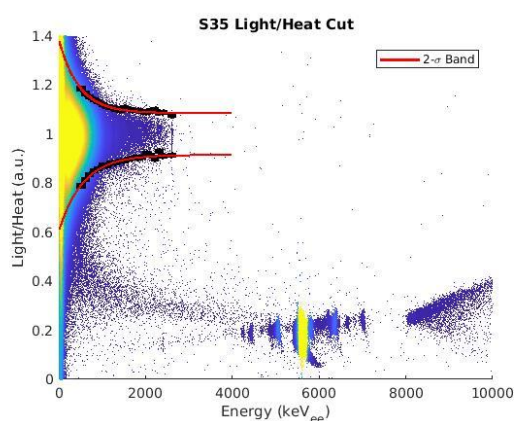
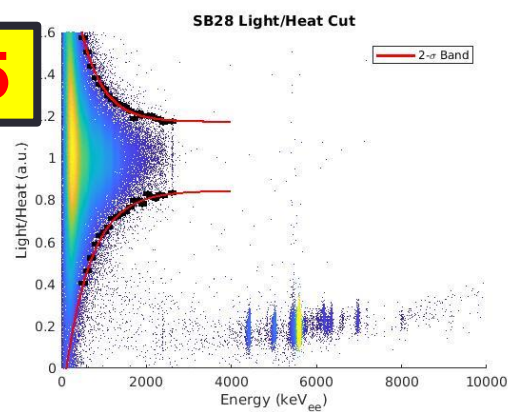
Orders of magnitude
improvement

Run-5: Installed, not properly operated
Run-6: In full operation

Improvements



Improved background discrimination power



Improvements

Run Number	FWHM energy resolution @ 2.615 MeV averaged over the detector modules (keV)	Remarks
1	43	First installation
2	22	Detector design improved
3	N/A	New IVC (to reduce bgd)
4	13	Mass-spring damper
5	11	Spring-suspended still (improper)
6	To be calculated	Spring-suspended still (Full) Stabilization heater

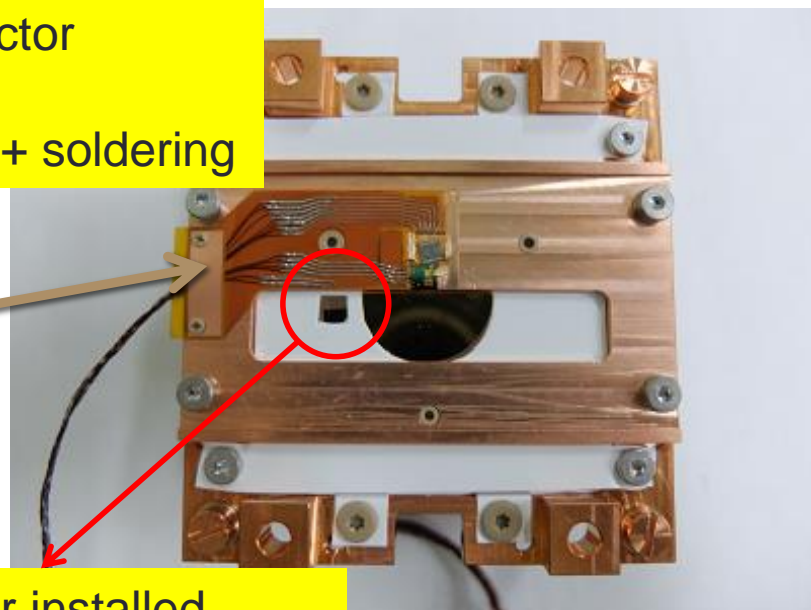
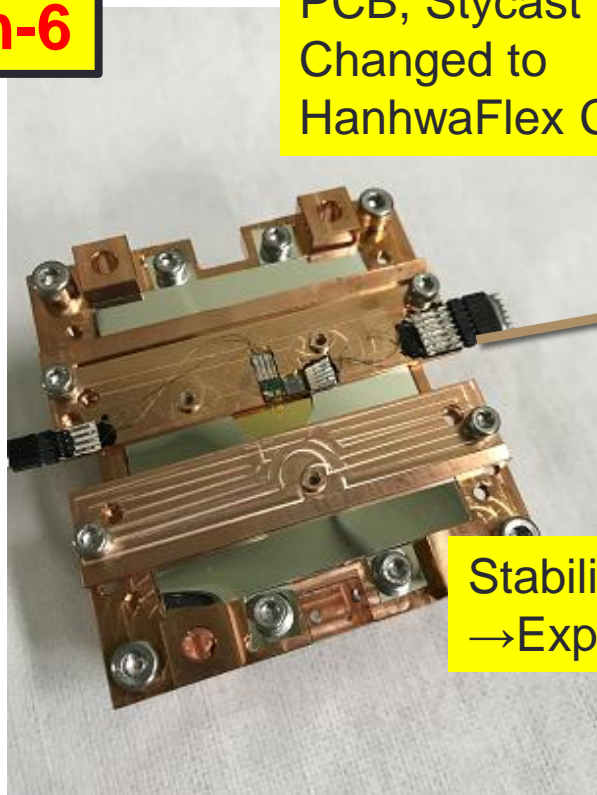
Improved Energy Resolution

Further Improvements (Run-6)

Background sources removed

Run-6

PCB, Stycast & Pin connector
Changed to
HanhwaFlex Capton PCB + soldering

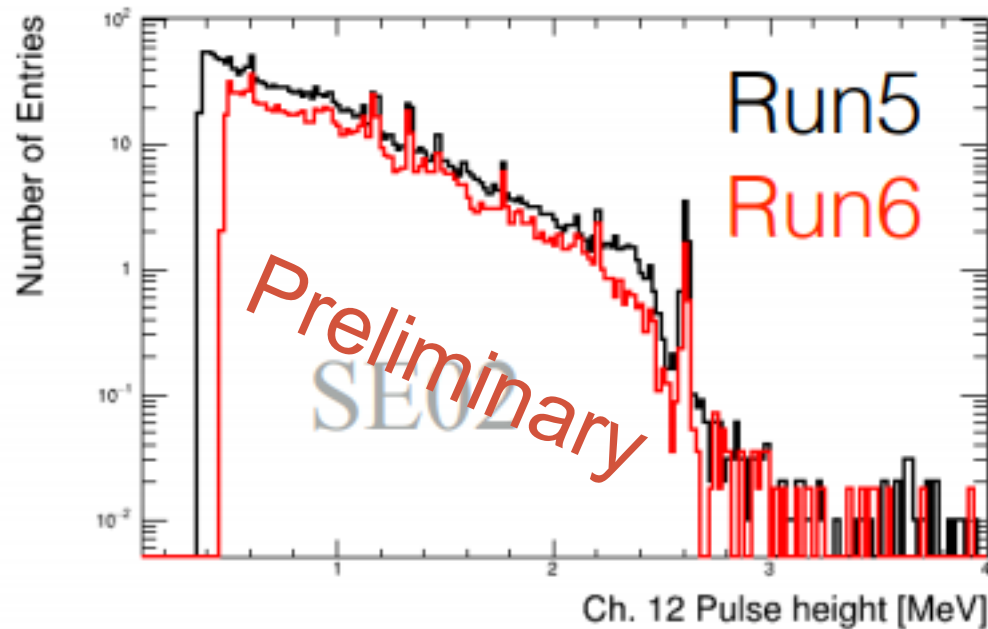


Stabilization heater installed
→ Expect better energy resolution

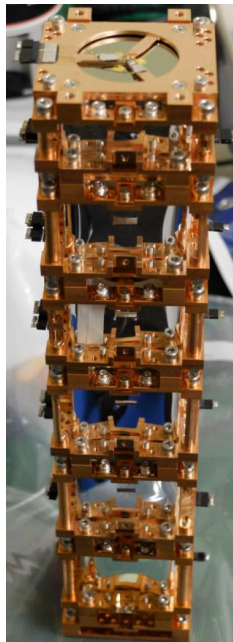
Further Improvements (Run-6)

- Dr. Y. S. Yoon (7th. Jul. (Sat). 10:00 a.m, Neutrino session)

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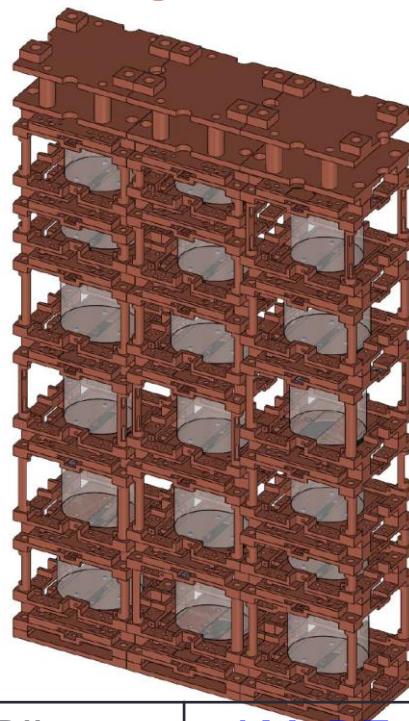


Future Plan for AMoRE

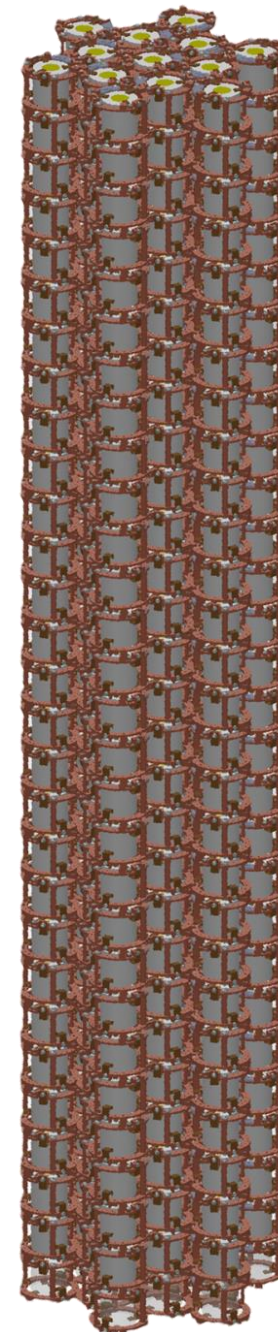


AMoRE-Pilot
1.9 kg
now~

AMoRE-1
6 kg
2018~

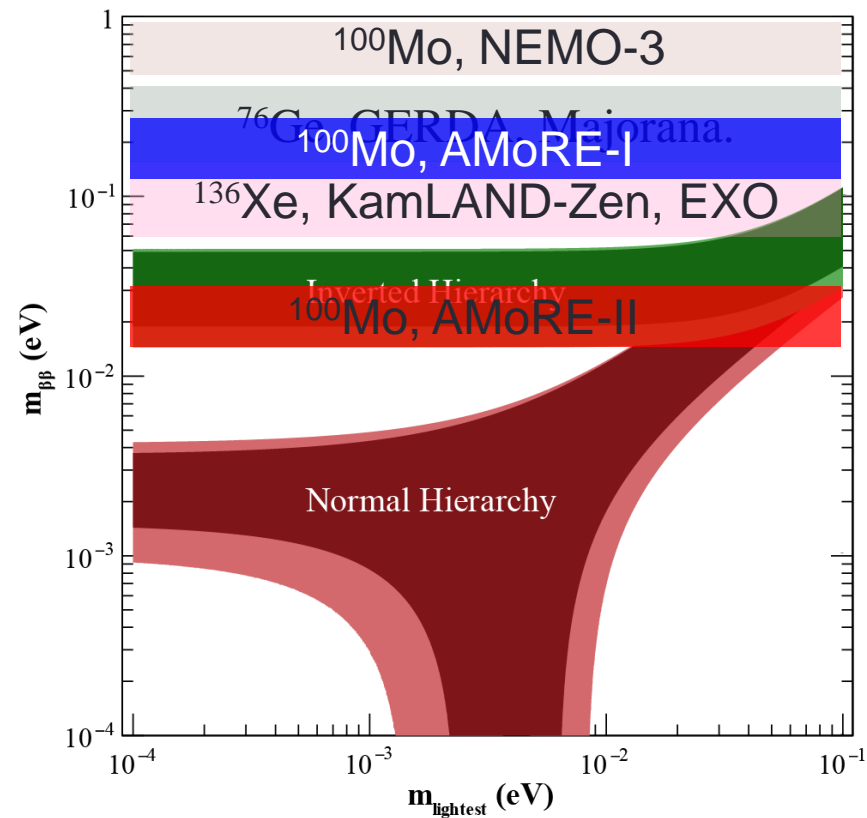
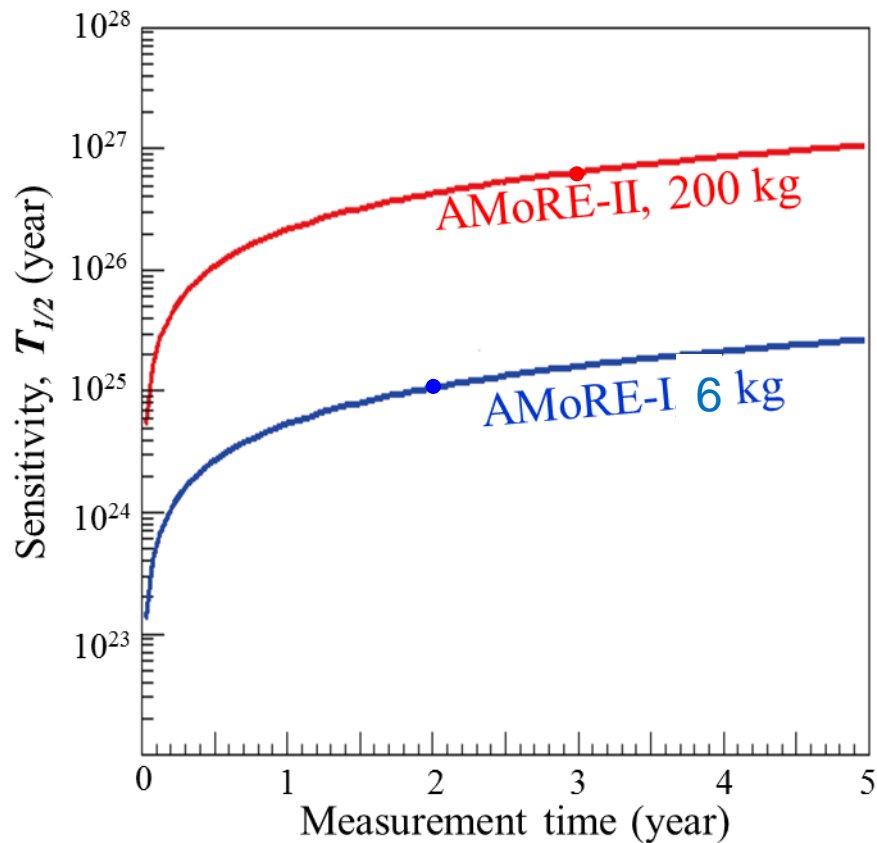


AMoRE-II
200 kg
2021~



	Pilot	AMoRE-I	AMoRE-II
Mass	1.9 kg	~6 kg	~200 kg
Channels	12	36	1000
Required Bkg. (ckky)	0.01	0.001	0.0001
Sensitivity($T_{1/2}$) (year)	$\sim 10^{24}$	$\sim 10^{25}$	$\sim 10^{27}$
Sensitivity(m_{ee}) (meV)	380-720	120-230	17-32
Location	Y2L	Y2L	New Lab
Schedule	2018~	2018~	2021~

Future Plan for AMoRE



Summary

- AMoRE searches for neutrinoless double beta decay ($0\nu\beta\beta$) of ^{100}Mo using Mo-based scintillating crystals and MMC sensors at milli-kelvin temperatures
- Throughout the AMoRE-Pilot runs, several upgrades (detector design upgrades, vibration reduction system, muon veto system) were made to improve noise and background conditions
- Energy resolution, background rejection power and the background level have been improved dramatically from the first run
- Run-6 is currently running with 6 crystals (total mass ~ 1.9 kg), two vibration damping systems and a muon veto system
- The main background sources were identified in Run-5, and have been removed from the detectors in Run-6
- Scaling-up for AMoRE-I to ~ 6 kg is in preparation: 13 $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals and 5 others types of crystals (LMO, PMO, NMO etc)