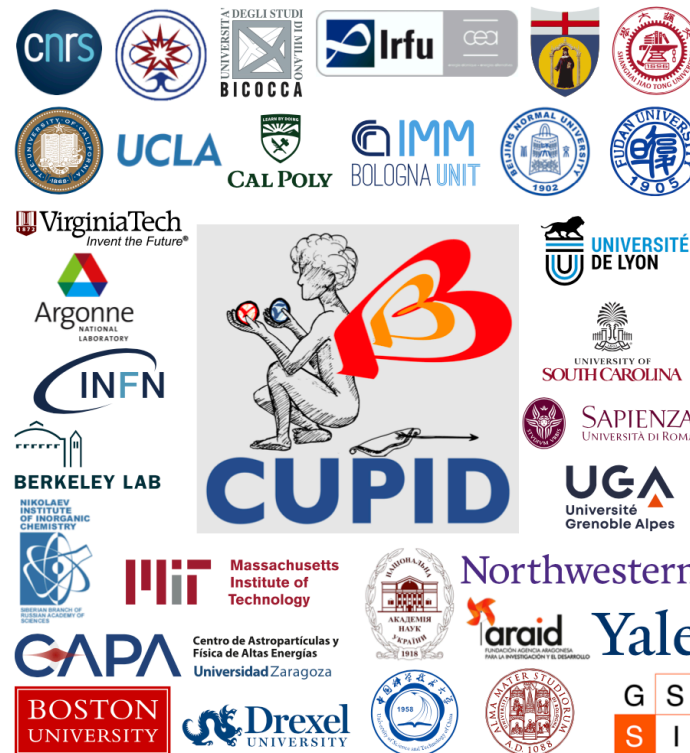


Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay Search with CUPID

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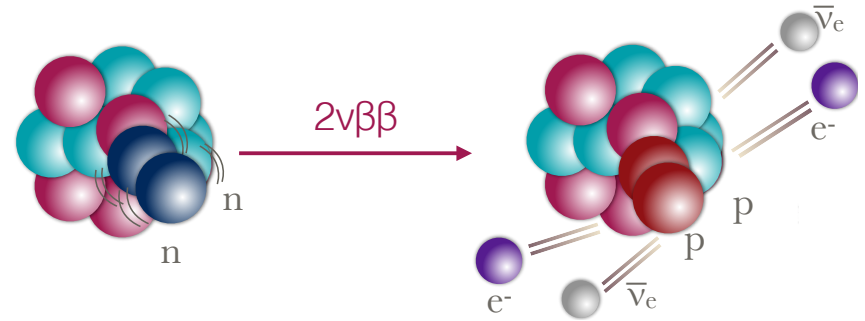


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Double Beta Decay

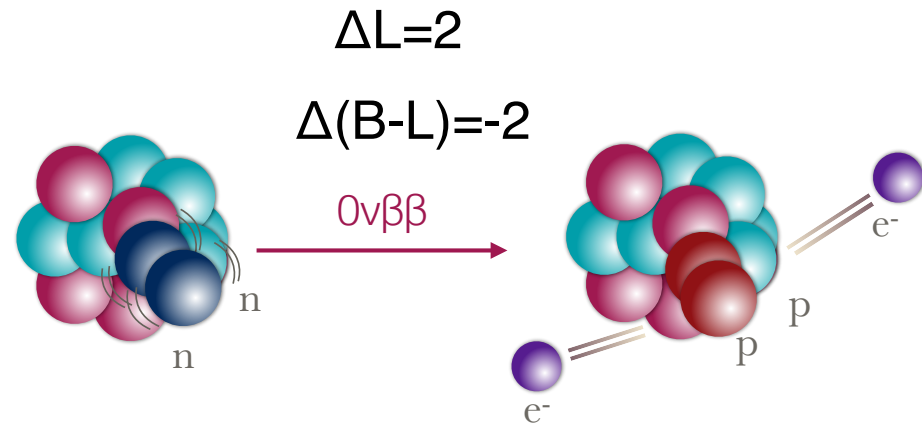
- $(A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + 2e^- + 2\bar{\nu}$

- ▶ 2nd order weak process in SM,
- ▶ Measured at a few % precision
- ▶ $t^{2\nu}_{1/2} \gtrsim 10^{18}$ yr



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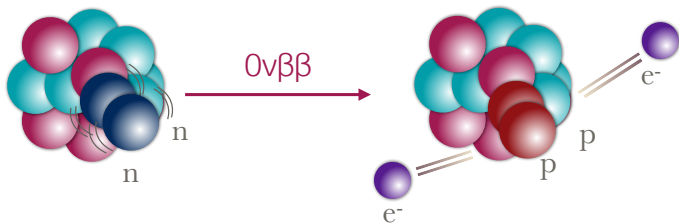
- ▶ Forbidden in SM, L and B-L violated
- ▶ Matter creation in LAB (could explain baryon asymmetry in the universe)
- ▶ Many non SM diagrams can contribute
- ▶ Simplest and plausible model foresees exchange light-mass Majorana neutrinos $\rightarrow m_\nu \neq 0$ and $\Psi \equiv \Psi^C$
- ▶ $t^{0\nu}_{1/2} \gtrsim 10^{25-26}$ yr



0ν Double Beta Decay

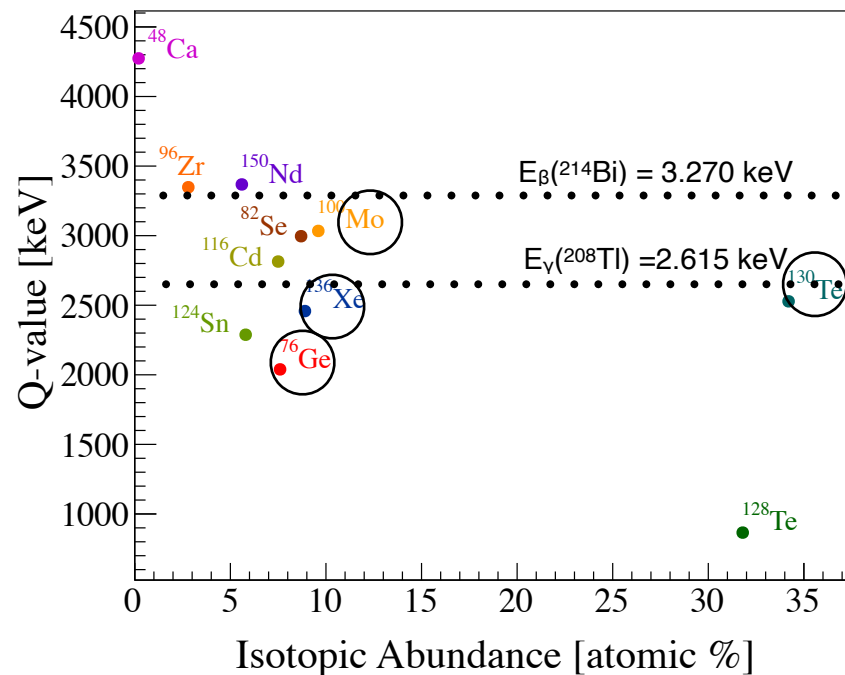
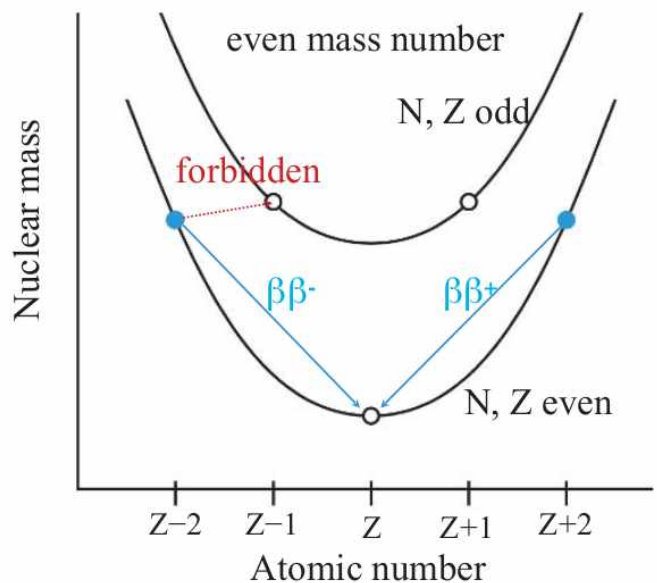
Experimental signature

$K_{e^-} + K_{e^-}$: line at $Q_{\beta\beta}$ (~2-3 MeV)

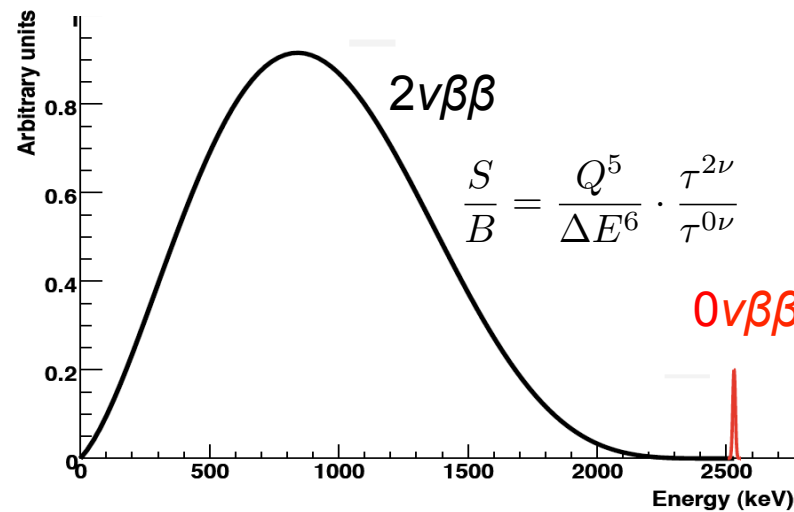


Single Beta decay must be forbidden

$^{48}\text{Ca}, ^{76}\text{Ge}, ^{82}\text{Se}, ^{100}\text{Mo}, ^{116}\text{Cd}, ^{130}\text{Te}, ^{136}\text{Xe}, ^{150}\text{Nd}$



One Irreducible background

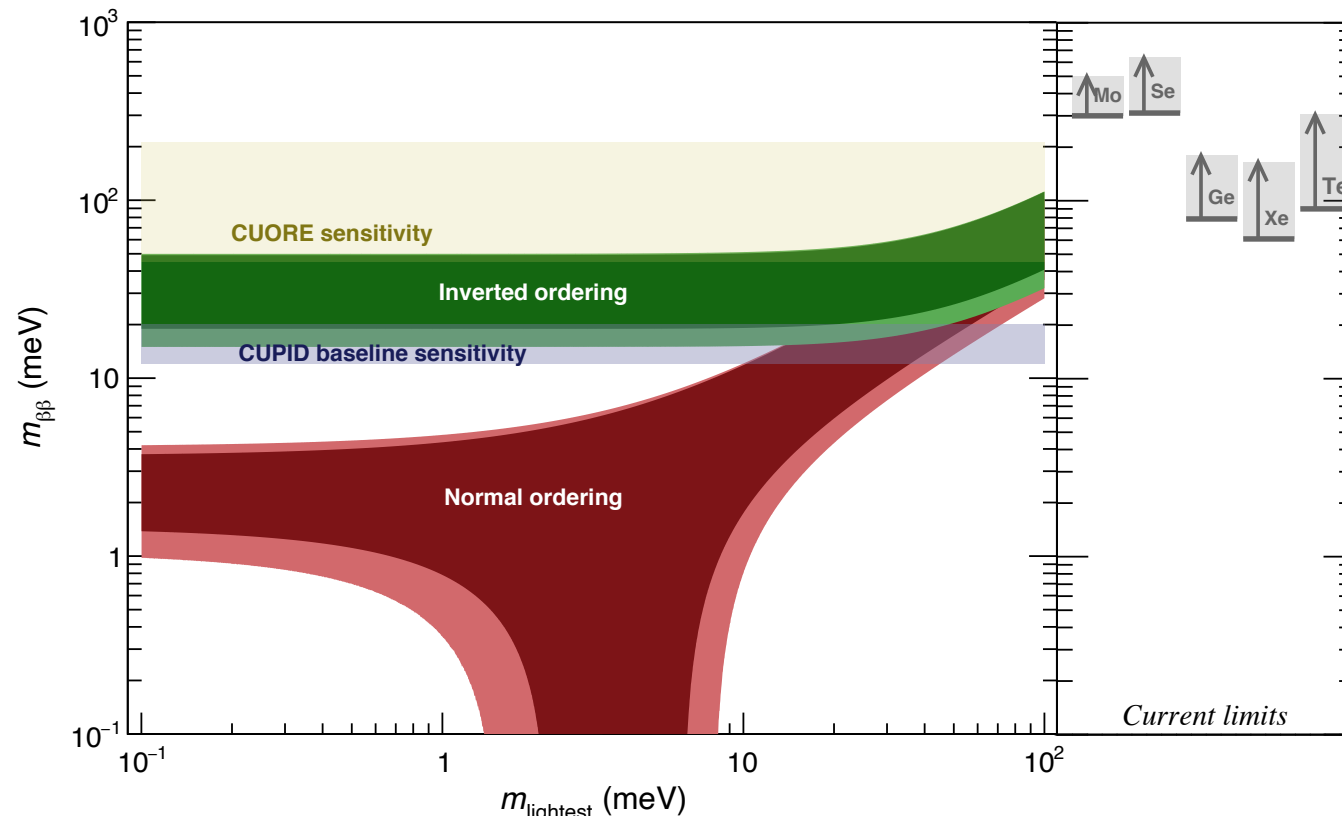
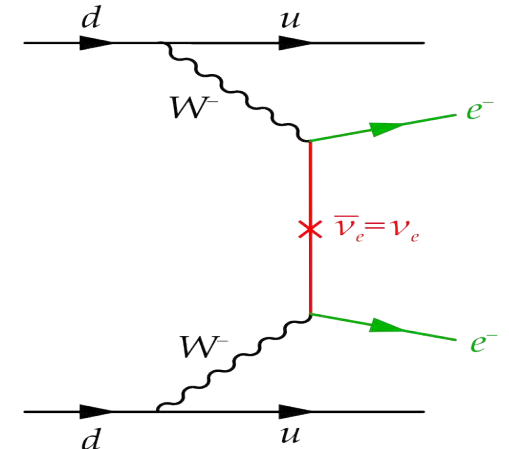


$0\nu\beta\beta \Leftrightarrow \nu$ mass

- The measurable quantity is the half life $T^{0\nu}_{1/2}$:
- Assume exchange of light Majorana ν

$$\Gamma^{0\nu}_{1/2} = (T^{0\nu}_{1/2})^{-1} = G^{0\nu}(Q,Z) \cdot g_a^4 \cdot |M^{0\nu}|^2 \cdot m_{\beta\beta}^2$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \left| \sum m_i \cdot U_{ie}^2 \right| = c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 m_1 + s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{i\alpha} m_2 + s_{13}^2 e^{i\beta} m_3$$

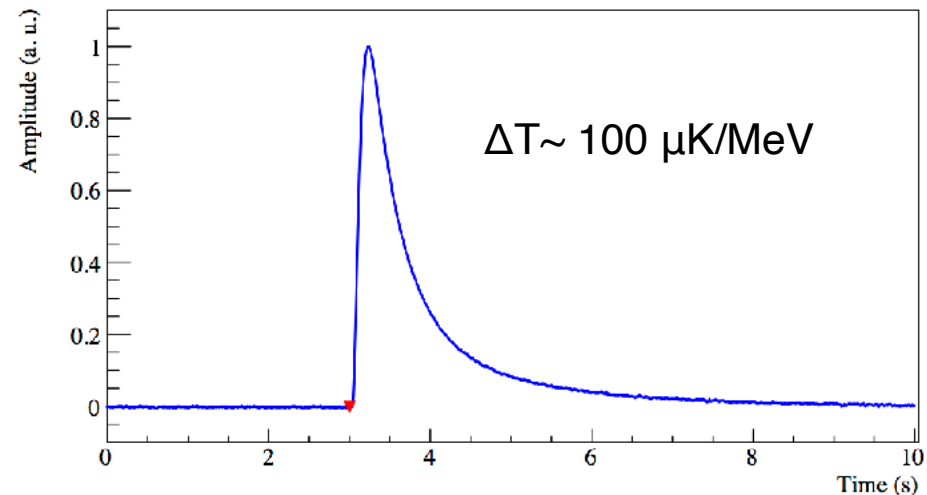
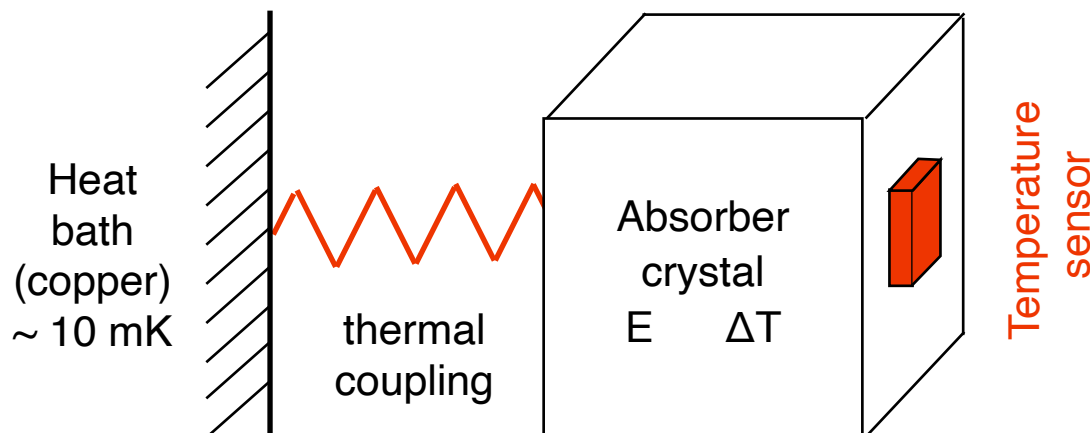
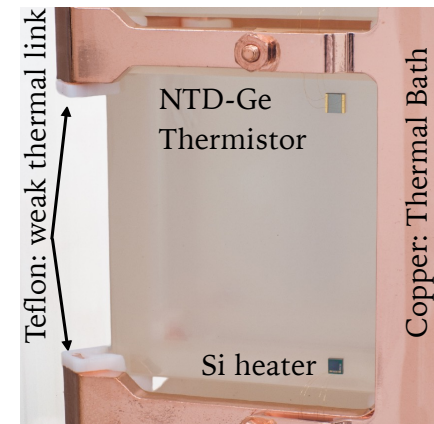


Current limits lie in the range **50-120 meV** across the leading isotopes (^{136}Xe , ^{130}Te , ^{76}Ge)

Bolometric detectors

- Solid state detectors operating at low temperatures ~ 10 mK
- Readout with sensitive low temp. semicon. NTD-Ge thermistor
- Isotope of interest embedded in the source
- Flexible choice of Isotopes (Mo, Cd, Se, Te)
- Resolution @ $0\nu\beta\beta$ energy: $\sim 0.2\%$ FWHM
- Detector response independent of particle types

$$R(T) \simeq 1 \Omega \cdot \exp\left(\frac{3\text{K}}{T}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$



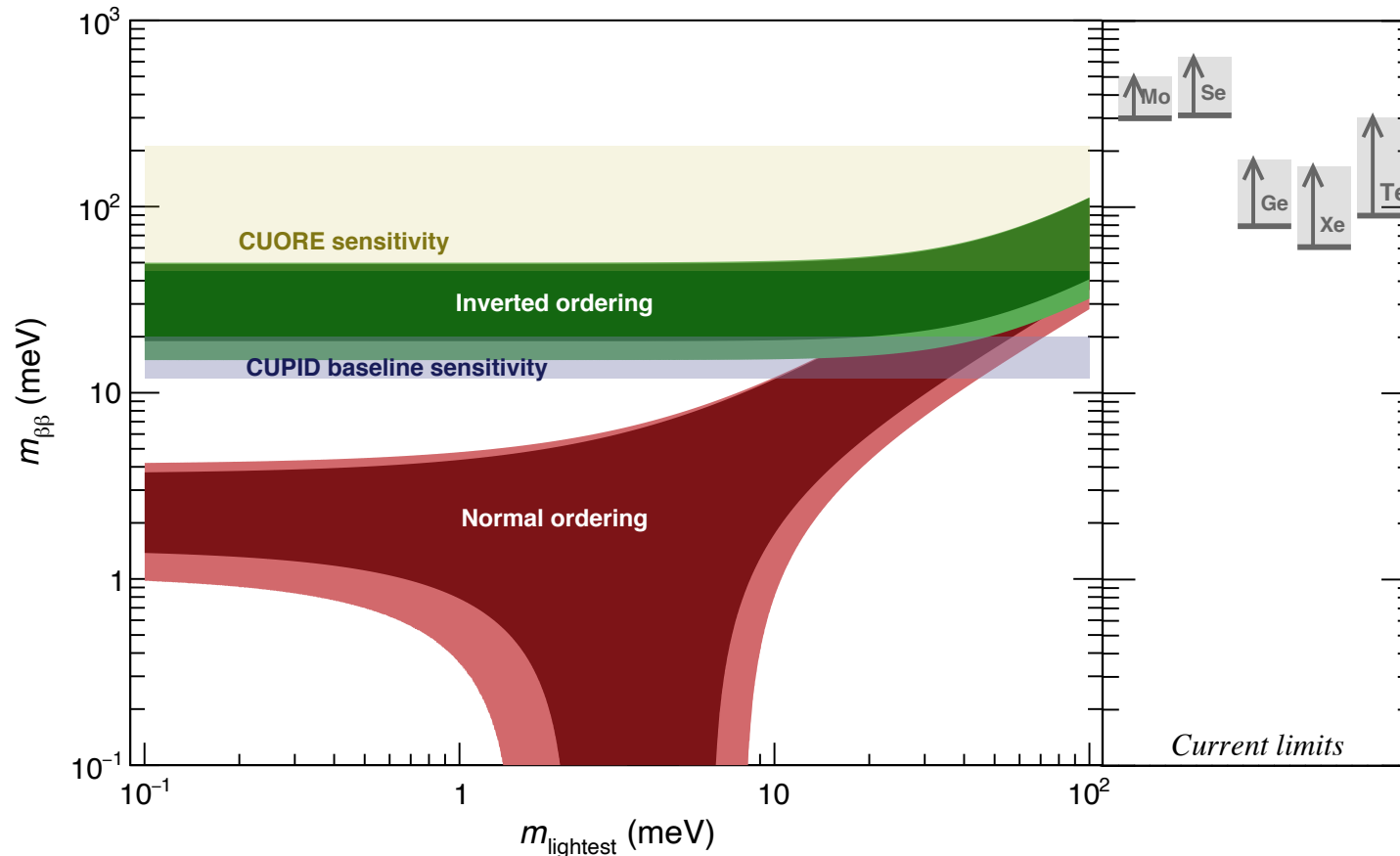
CUORE: a ton scale detector

- 988 natTeO_2 bolometers
- 742 kg of TeO_2 , 206 kg ^{130}Te .
- Larger bolometric detector ever built
- Operating in the CUORE cryostat
 - Most powerful dilution refrigerator in the world
- Stable data taking since 2019

CUPID builds on years of experience and success with CUORE at LNGS

CUPID

CUPID: CUORE Upgrade with Particle Identification

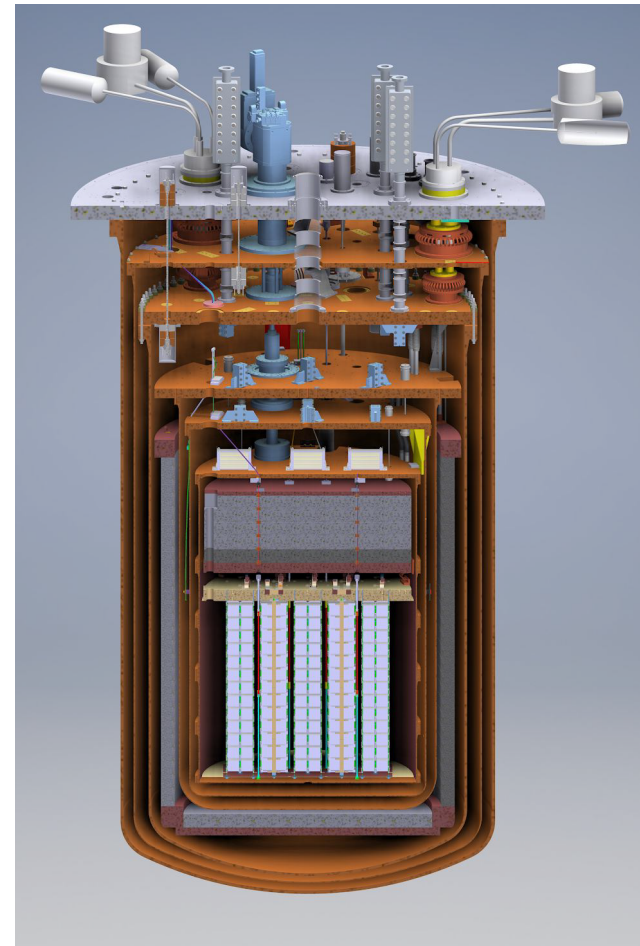


Goal: fully probe the Inverted Hierarchy region

- ▶ discovery sensitivity in the 12-20 meV range
- ▶ improve the sensitivity to $m_{0\nu\beta\beta}$ by a factor of ~ 10

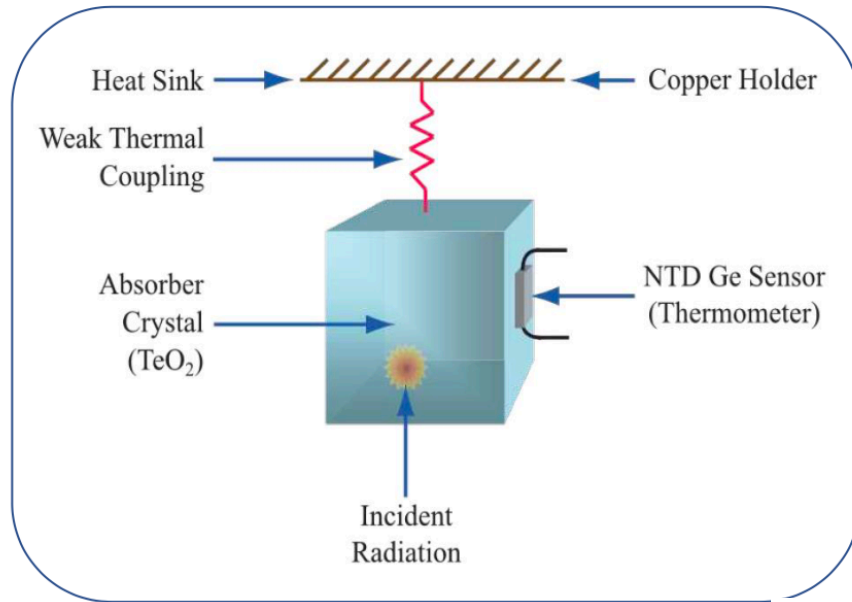
CUPID Strategy

- Re-use **CUORE Infrastructure** and replace the CUORE TeO_2 detector with a new array, based on 95% enriched $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$
- Enough to take a leap forward in sensitivity because we reduce dramatically $\sim(150)$ the background in the $0\nu\beta\beta$
 - ▶ the new $\beta\beta$ candidate **^{100}Mo** has a higher transition energy than the ^{130}Te CUORE candidate: **less γ -induced background in ROI, more favourable phase space and matrix elements**
 - ▶ the new detector has a very efficient **α particle rejection** capability: **remove the dominant background source seen in CUORE**



CUPID Concept

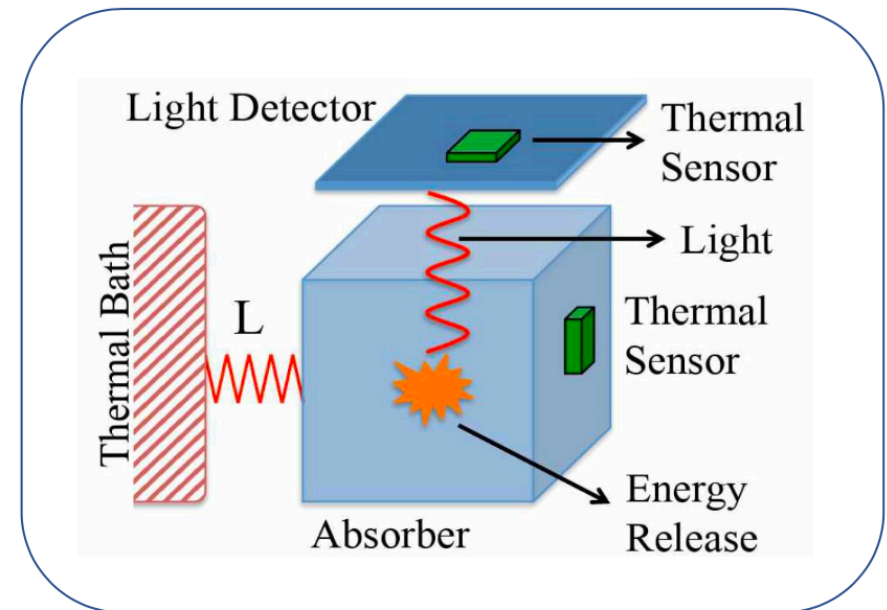
CUORE ^{130}Te
pure thermal detector
(**bolometer**)



No PID

$Q = 2527 \text{ keV} < 2615 \text{ keV}$

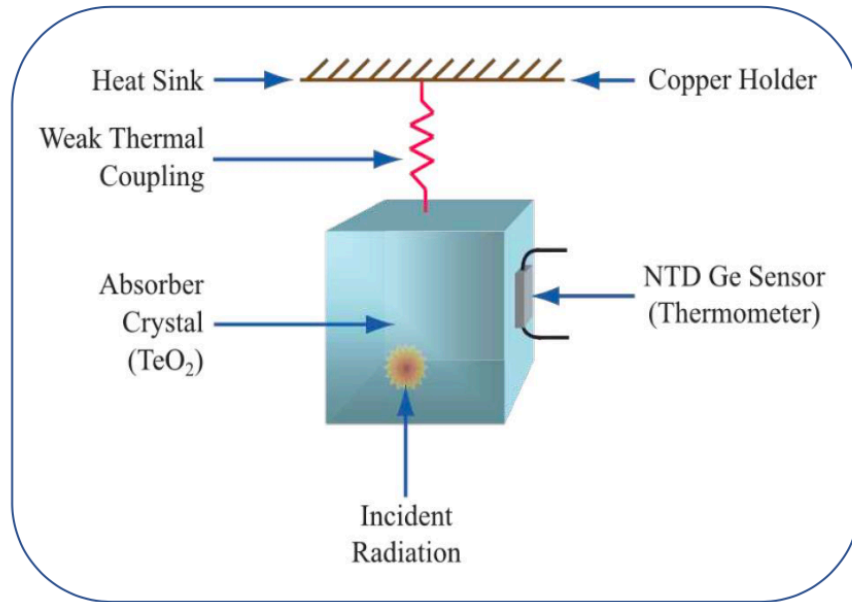
CUPID ^{100}Mo
heat + light
(**scintillating bolometer**)



α background
 γ background

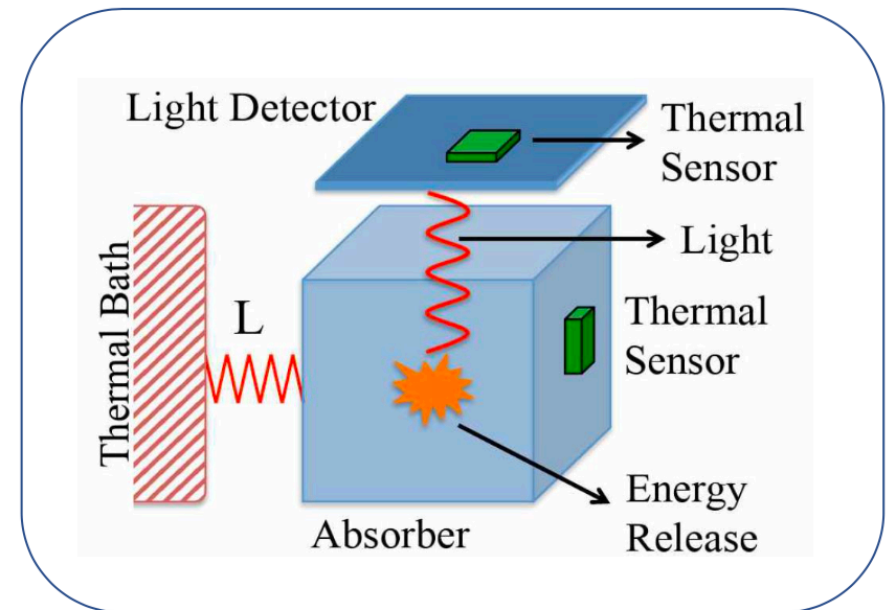
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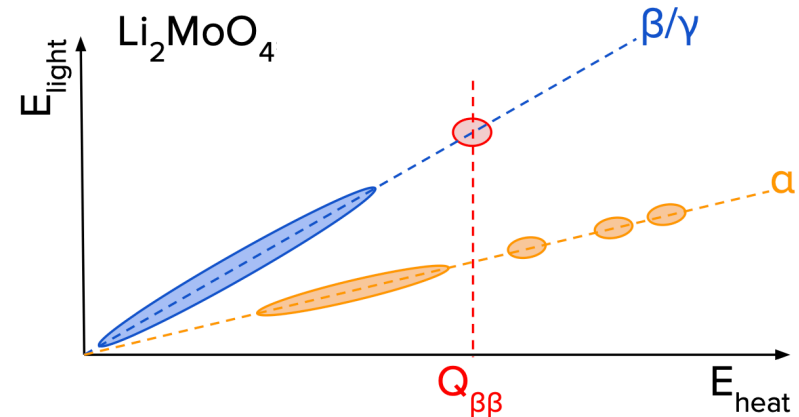
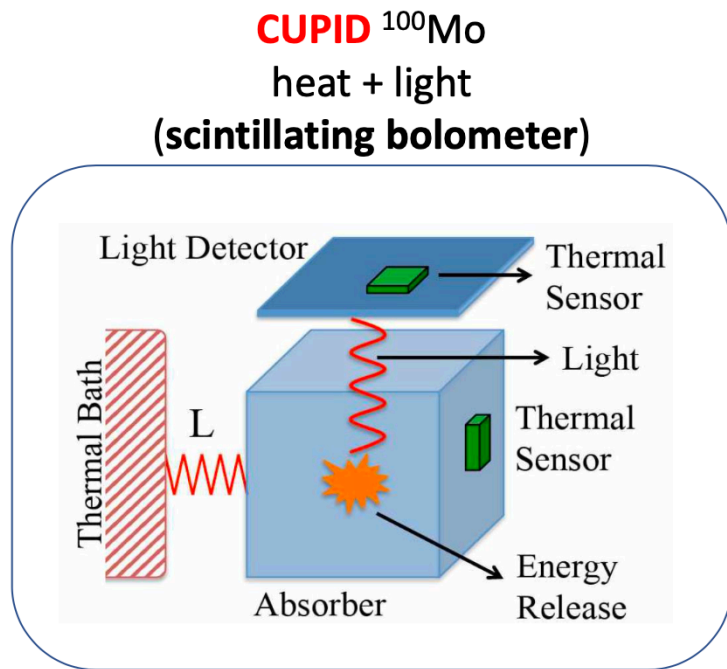


~~α background~~
 γ background

PID with light detection

CUPID Concept

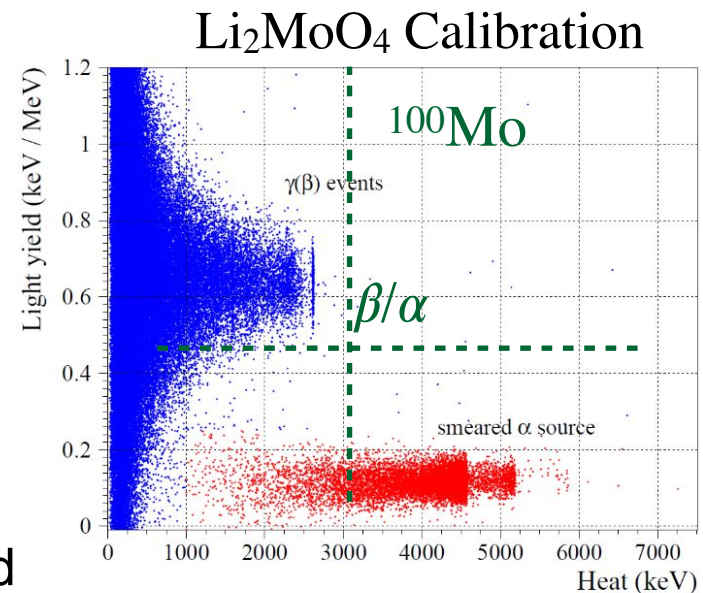
- Technology demonstrated on CUPID-0 and CUPIDMo prototypes



Measure heat and light from energy deposition

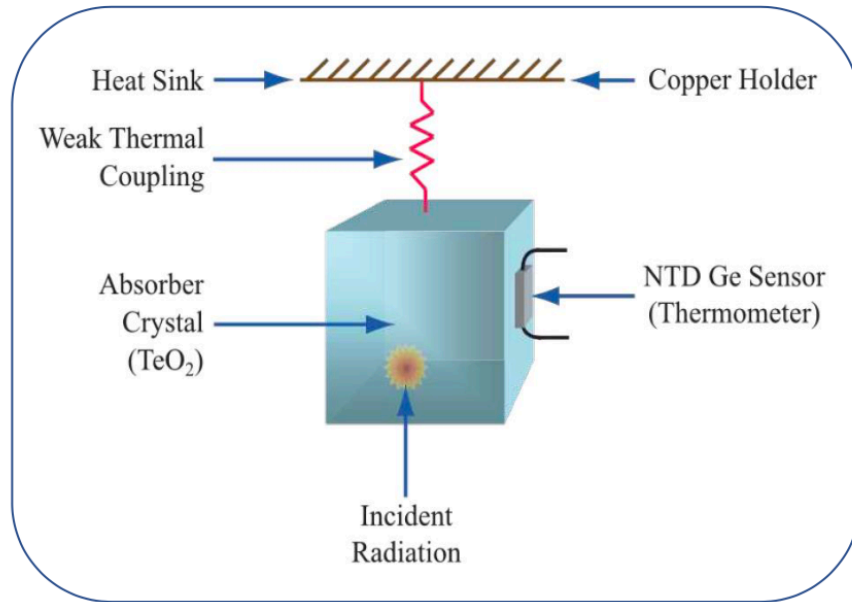
Heat is particle independent, but light yield depends on particle type

Actively discriminate α using measured light yield



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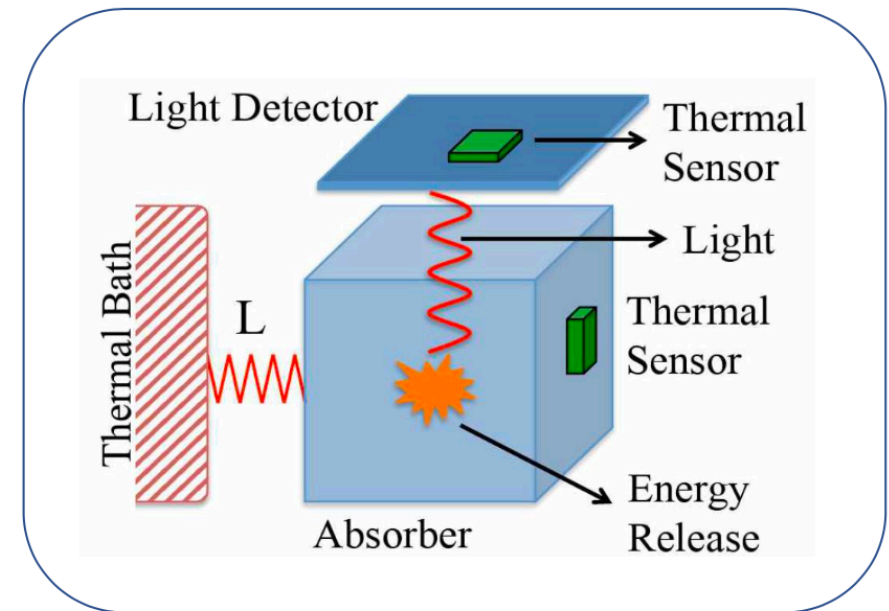
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PID

~~γ background~~

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CUPID Infrastructure

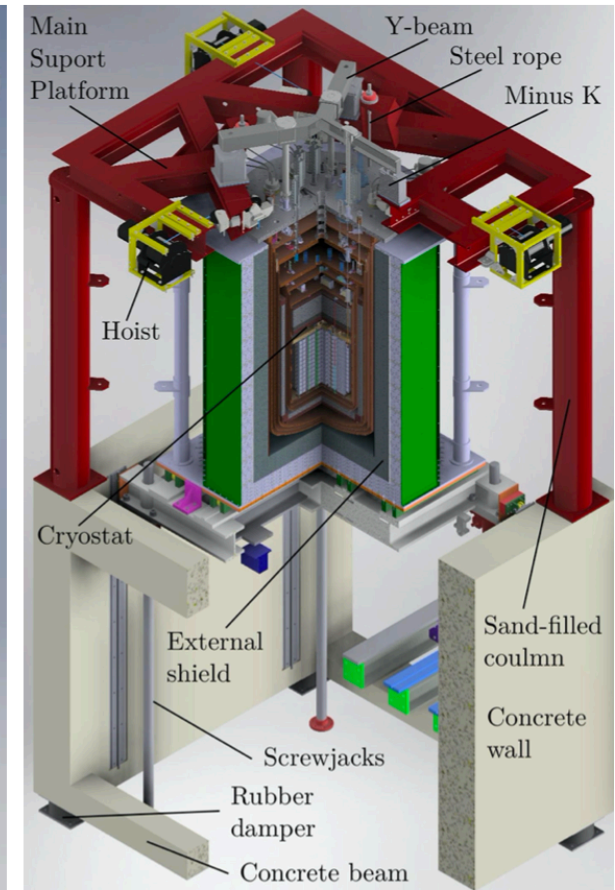
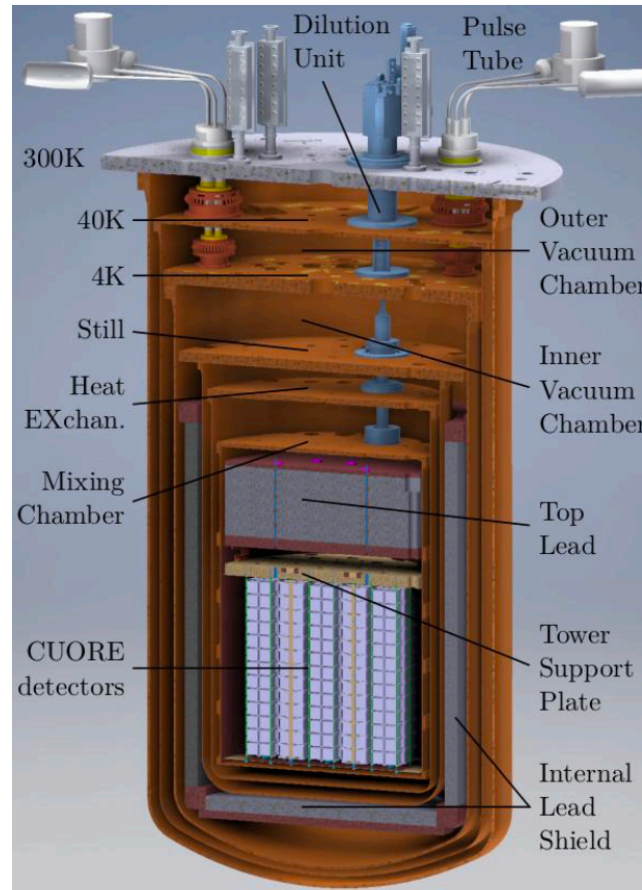
CUPID will utilize existing infrastructure (CUORE cryostat, experimental site)

CUORE cryostat

- Multistage cryogen-free cryostat
- Cooling systems: fast cooling system, Pulse Tubes (PTs), and Dilution Unit (DU)
- ~15 tons @ < 4 K
- ~ 3 tons @ < 50 mK
- anti-vibration system
- Active noise cancelling

CUORE (passive) shielding

- Ancient Roman Pb shielding in cryostat
- External Pb shielding
- H_3BO_3 panels + polyethylene

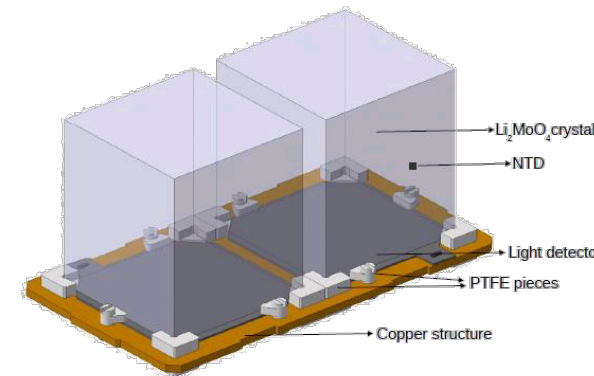


- CUORE hut and faraday cage
- AntiRadon and clean room
- Storage area

CUPID Detector

- Single module: $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$, 45x45x45 mm, 280 g
- Detector: 57 towers of 14 floors with 2 crystals each, 1596 crystals
- ~240 kg of ^{100}Mo with >95% enrichment
~ $1.6 \cdot 10^{27}$ ^{100}Mo atoms
- Ge light detector with SiO antireflective coating as in CUPID-Mo, CUPID-0
 - ▶ Each crystal has top and bottom LD
- NTD readout for both LD and $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$

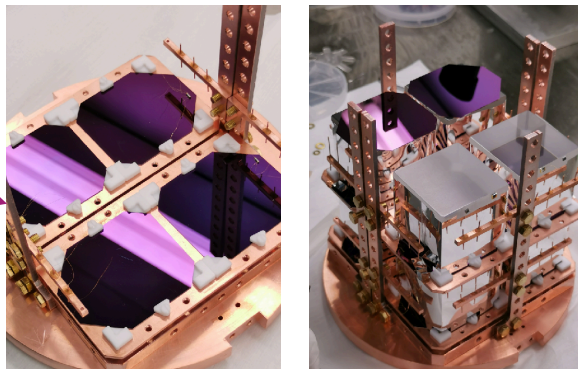
Detector Module



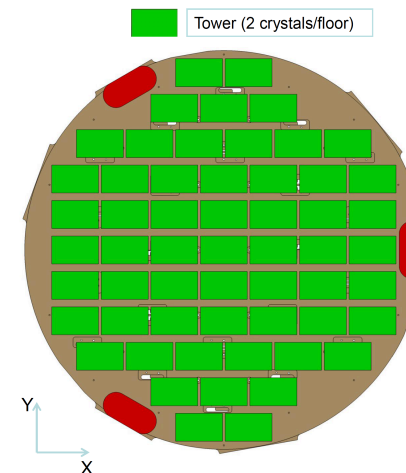
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LNGS Test Tower

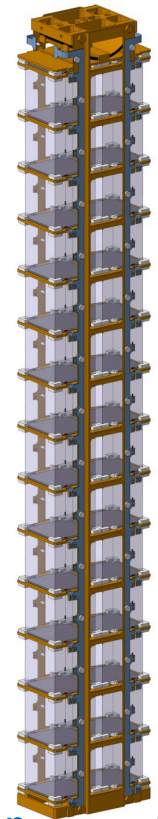
SiO-coated Ge light detectors



Tower Arrangement



Gravity stacked structure
Crystals thermally interconnected



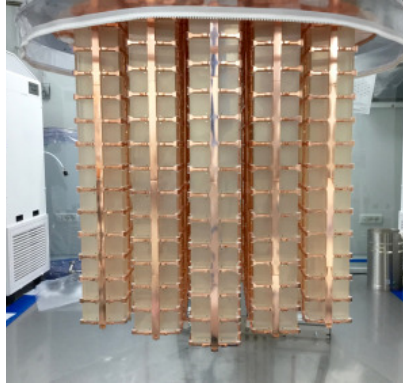
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CUPID Background model

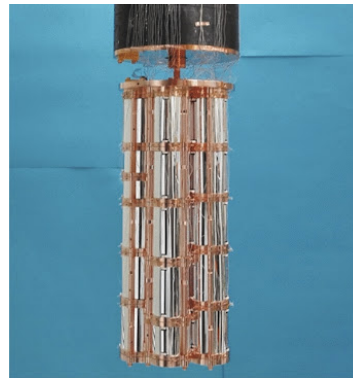
Our background model reconstruction approach is well validated in multiple experiments.

All the materials for CUPID have been directly measured in bolometric setups.

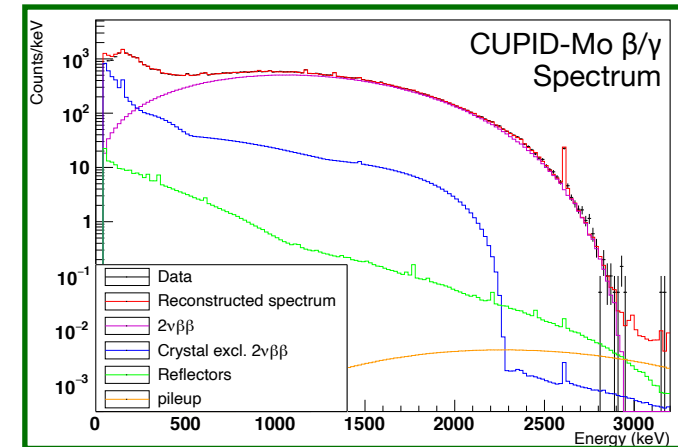
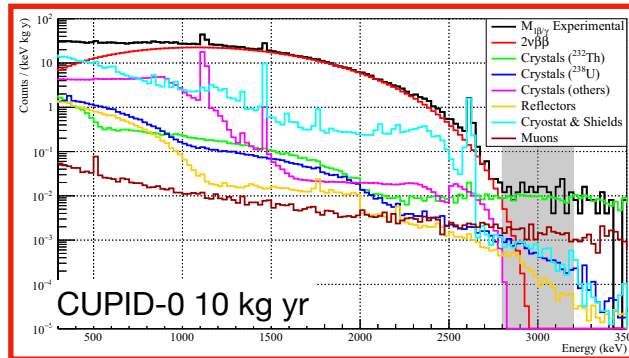
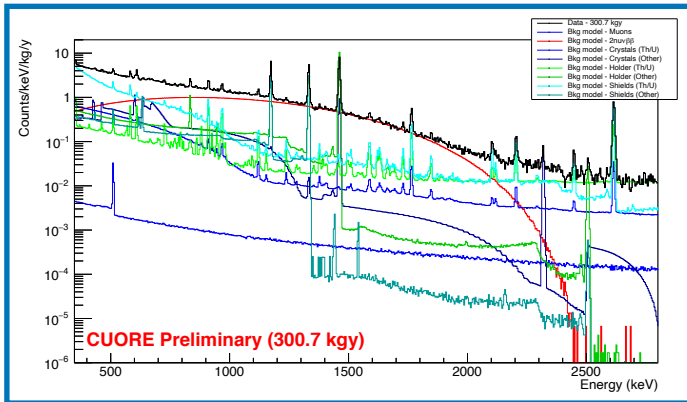
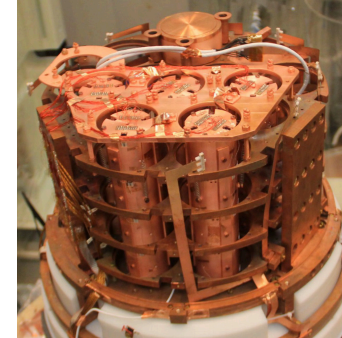
CUORE



CUPID-0



CUPID-Mo



Characterize β/γ background from cryogenic system and detector holders in the ^{100}Mo ROI ($Q_{\beta\beta} = 3034 \text{ keV}$)

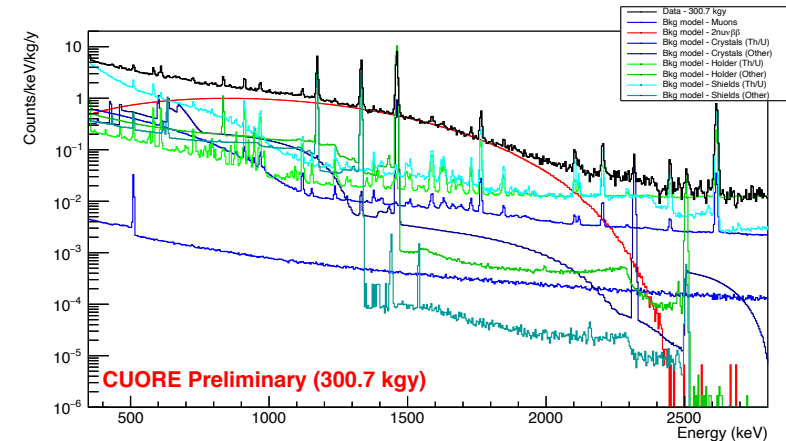
Alpha-rejection
Confirms the β/γ background from detector holders in 3 MeV ROI

Data confirms:

- α tagging performance
- Radiopurity of crystals
- Energy resolution

Primary background in CUORE

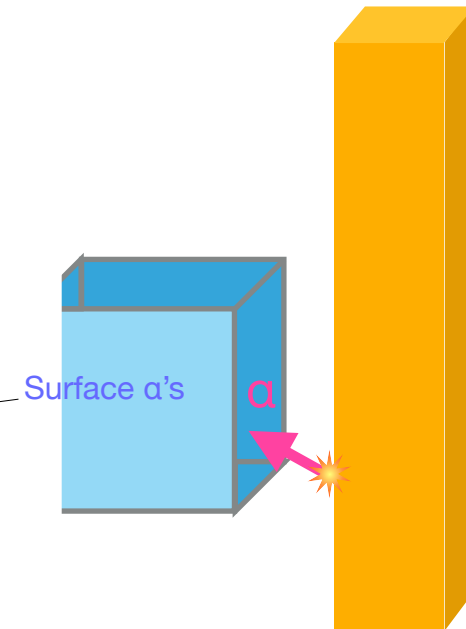
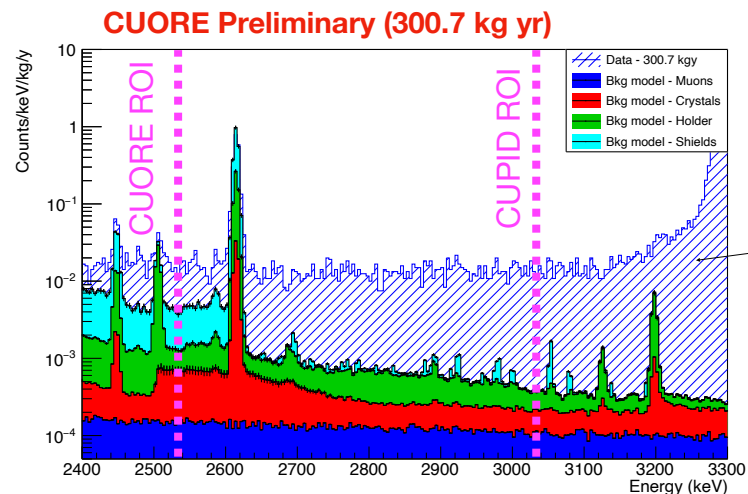
- Same cryogenic infrastructure as CUPID (direct measurement)
- Fit to the observed spectra to extract origin and level of contaminants (based on 300 kg · yr exposure)
- Degraded α background



- ▶ Decays with Q-value in 4-8 MeV range that lose part of the energy in nearby passive materials
- ▶ Background in CUORE ROI: $1.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ ckky

Gamma background

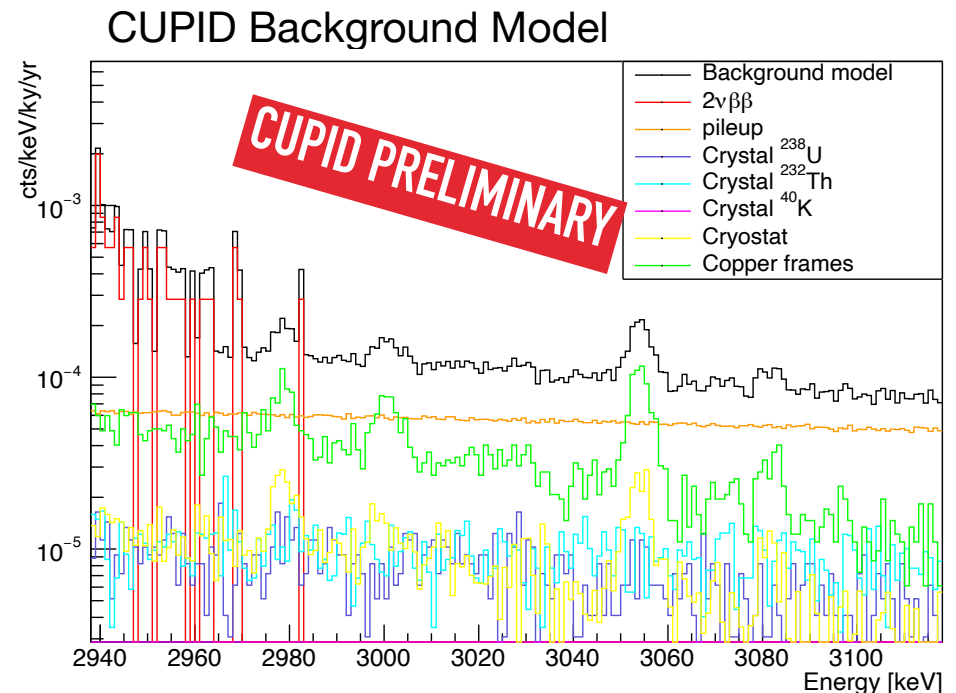
- ▶ CUORE $Q_{\beta\beta}(2528 \text{ keV}): 10^{-3}$ ckky
- ▶ CUPID moves $Q_{\beta\beta}$ at 3034 keV $<10^{-4}$ ckky



Background in CUPID

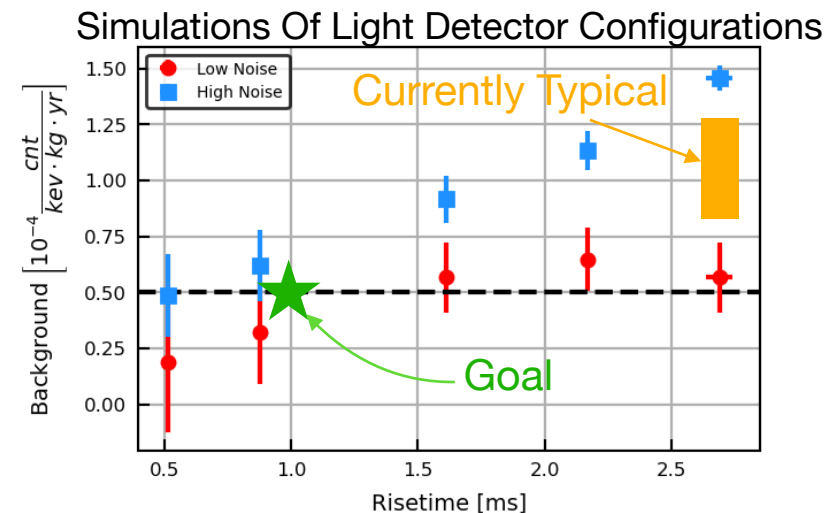
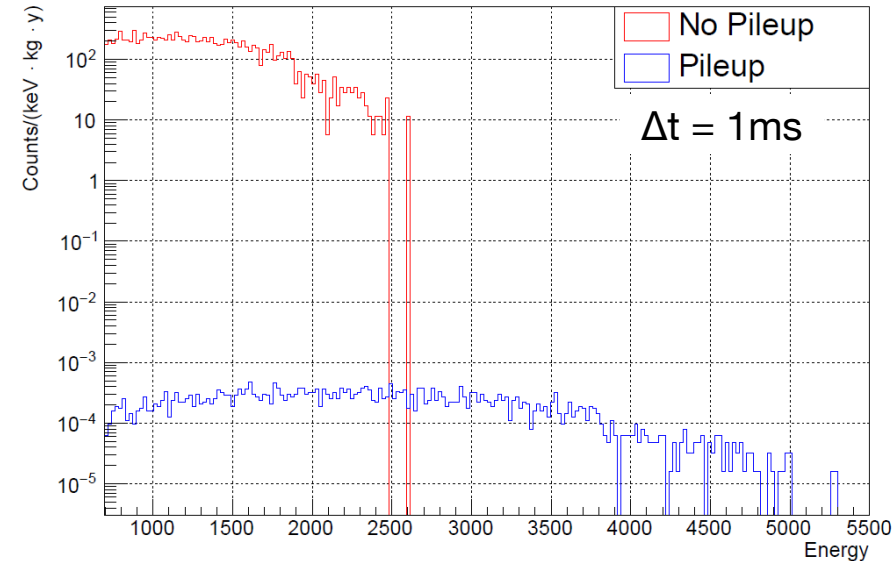
- Background goal: 10^{-4} ckky
- CUPID will reduce backgrounds primarily by
 - ▶ Eliminating surface α 's with PID
 - ▶ Reducing β/γ continuum backgrounds by moving the ROI from 2.5 MeV to 3 MeV ($\sim 10\times$), lower cross section and delayed coincidence (bkgd from $^{214}\text{Bi}/^{208}\text{Tl}$ β continuum from contaminations in crystal bulk and on nearby surfaces)
 - ▶ Eliminating muons with a muon tagger

	CUORE BI (at 2527 keV)	CUORE BI (at 3034 keV)	Mitigation	CUPID BI Goal (at 3034 keV)
	ckky	ckky		ckky
Surface α 's	1.4×10^{-2}	1.4×10^{-2}	Particle Identification	Negligible
Compton γ 's	10^{-3}	10^{-4}	Moving the ROI	5×10^{-5}
			Delayed Coincidence	
Muons	10^{-4}	10^{-4}	Muon Veto Panels	$< 10^{-6}$
Pileup	Negligible	Negligible	LD Timing Resolution	5×10^{-5}



Pile up

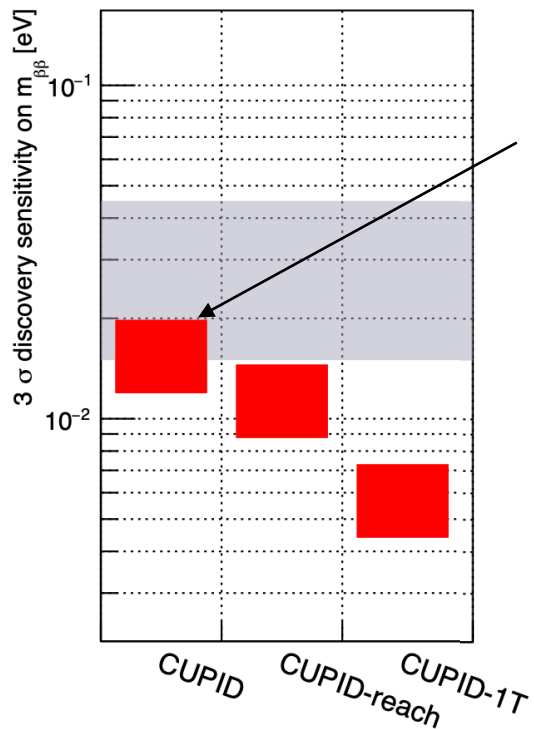
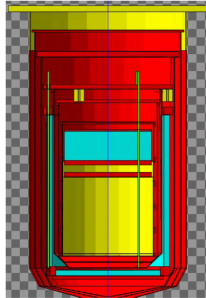
- The relatively fast decay rate of ^{100}Mo ($T_{1/2\ 2\nu} = 7.1 \times 10^{18}$ yr) leads to the possibility of two $2\nu\beta\beta$ decays events piling up and reconstructing in the ROI
- Need ~ 170 μs effective timing resolution
 - ▶ Li_2MoO_4 are intrinsically slow Δt demonstrated down to ~ 1 ms
 - ▶ Light detectors have much faster intrinsic time constants \rightarrow higher sampling rate, wider bandwidth electronics, lower noise, smaller NTD, ML techniques
 - ▶ Developed simulations that allow us to test various rise time, noise, and system bandwidth configurations
 - ▶ a factor of 2-3 improvement over current (typical) performance required



CUPID scenarios

CUPID Baseline

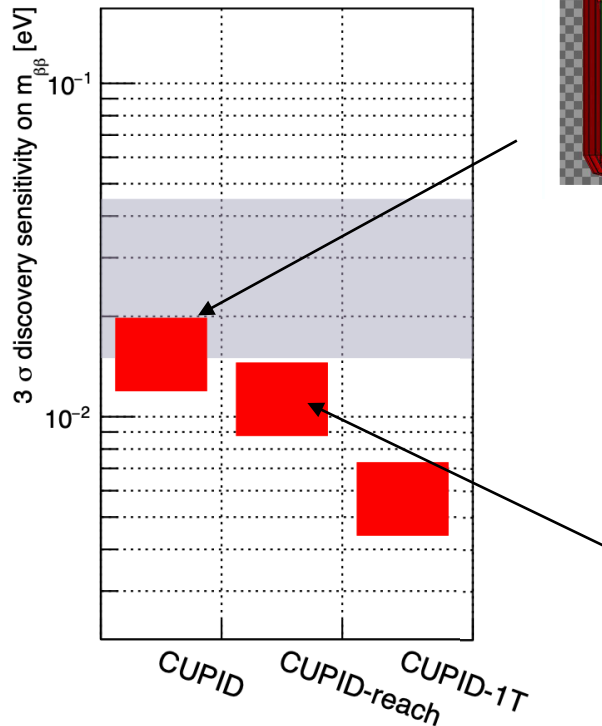
- Mass: 450 kg (**240 Kg**) of $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4(^{100}\text{Mo})$ for **10 yrs**
- Energy resolution: **5 keV FWHM**
- Background: **10^{-4} cts/(keV kg yr)**
- Discovery sensitivity $T_{1/2} > 1.1 \times 10^{27}$ yr (**3σ**)
- Discovery sensitivity $M_{\beta\beta} > [12-20]$ meV (**3σ**)
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CUPID-reach can be realized within existing cryogenic setup

- Same payload as CUPID baseline
- Background: **2×10^{-5} cts/(keV kg yr)**
- Discovery sensitivity $T_{1/2} > 2 \times 10^{27}$ yr (**3σ**)
- Discovery sensitivity $M_{\beta\beta} > [9-15]$ meV (**3σ**)

Pileup background below $\sim 1 \times 10^{-5}$ cts/(keV kg yr).

- achieved e.g. with the use of TES-based light detectors.

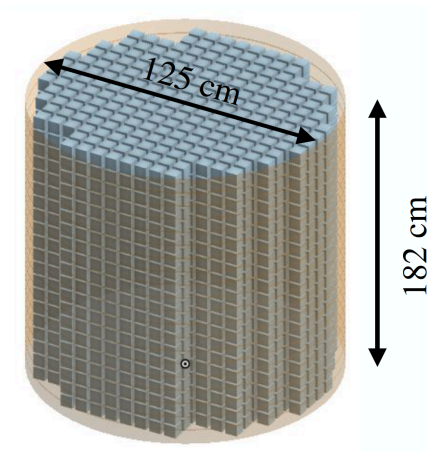
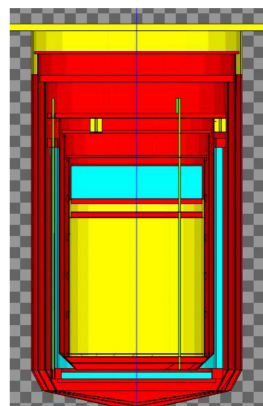
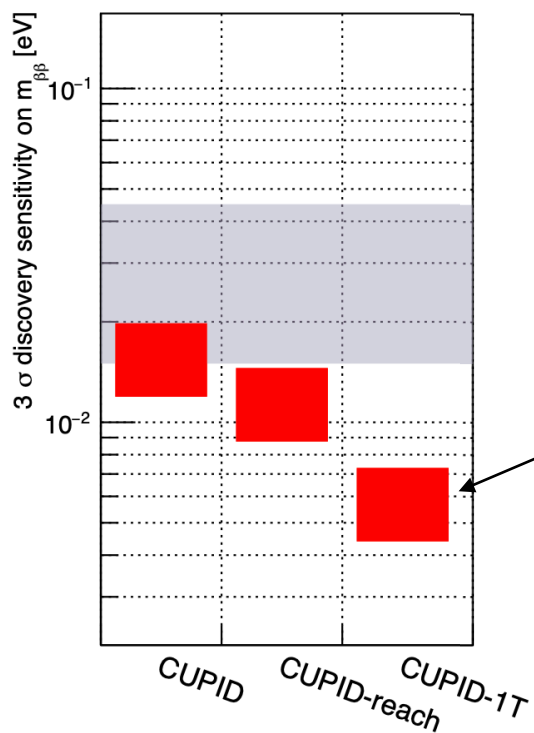
Surface backgrounds from the holders reduced by a factor of ~ 3 .

- Baseline background budget from crystals and holders amounts to 3.6×10^{-5} cts/(keV kg yr).

- Could be reduced e.g. through the use of the laser machining

CUPID 1 Ton

An **Inverted Hierarchy Precision** measurement device across multiple isotopes or a **Normal Hierarchy Explorer**



- Mass: 1000 kg of ^{100}Mo
- Energy resolution: **5 keV FWHM**
- Background: **5×10^{-6} cts/(keV kg yr)**
- Discovery sensitivity $T_{1/2} > 8 \times 10^{27}$ yr (3σ)
- Discovery sensitivity $M_{\beta\beta} > [4-7]$ meV (3σ)

- Multi-cryostat setup or large-scale dilution refrigerator (cooling power comparable to CUORE), technologically achievable (increasingly common in Quantum Computing)
- Background goal of 5×10^{-6} cts/(keV kg yr) requires more effort
- Likely require full implementation of next-generation (TES or mKID) low-noise, high-bandwidth quantum sensors
- Need to consider/verify subdominant backgrounds

Conclusions

- CUPID **builds on an existing and well-functioning international collaboration**
- Collaboration has **operational experience at LNGS for ton-scale, bolometric experiment** and utilizes **existing infrastructure**
- **Cost effective, timely, and leverages international investments.**
- **Limited technology verification remaining** for CUPID baseline.
- **Data-driven background model** reaches baseline goal of $b \sim 10^{-4}$ ckky.
- Particle identification demonstrated in medium scale prototypes
- Enrichment and crystal growth demonstrated at required scale

CUPID prepared to fully explore the inverted ordering region using only 240 kg of ^{100}Mo

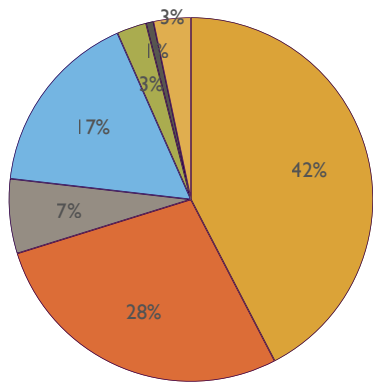
Plans for CUPID-1T experiment are feasible and within technical reach of bolometer technology. CUPID baseline/reach will help understand backgrounds for CUPID-1T.

CUPID Collaboration

- A strong international collaboration: ~140 collaborators across 7 countries

Countries	Authors
Italy	64
USA	42
France	25
China	10
Ukraine	5
Russia	4
Spain	1

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LNGS Laboratory

120 km from Rome

~ 3600 m.w.e. deep

μ flux: $\sim 3 \times 10^{-8}/(\text{s cm}^2)$

γ flux: $\sim 0.73/(\text{s cm}^2)$

neutrons: $4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ n}/(\text{s cm}^2)$ below 10 MeV

