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Charmonium production in Pb-Pb collisions with ALICE

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Charmonium production is a direct probe of deconfinement in heavy-ion collisions. For J/ψ , a bound state of $car{c}$ quarks, its (re-)generation within the QGP or at the phase boundary, is found to be the dominant production mechanism at low transverse momentum (p_T) and in central Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC energies. The relative production of the $\psi(2S)$ excited state with respect to the J/ ψ is one possible discriminator between the two different regeneration scenarios. In addition, the non-prompt component of J/ψ production from b-hadron decays allows one to access the interaction of b-hadrons with the QGP down to low transverse momentum. In this talk, we present for the first time new results on the $\psi(2S)$ -to-J/ ψ double ratio in Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{\mathrm{NN}}}=5.02$ TeV with respect to a new pp reference with improved precision, thanks to a new Run 2 data sample with an increase of the statistics collected by a factor 10. The combined Run 2 data set of ALICE allows the extraction of a significant $\psi(2S)$ signal in central Pb-Pb collisions at forward rapidity down to 0 transverse momentum. The $\psi(2S)$ nuclear modification factor R_{AA} as a function of p_T and centrality will also be shown, as well as the inclusive J/ ψ R_{AA} at forward rapidity. At midrapidity, the inclusive, prompt and non-prompt J/ ψ R_{AA} as a function of centrality and $p_{\rm T}$ will be presented, based on the full Run 2 statistics. The extraction of the non-prompt J/ψ fraction extends down to very low p_T and its precision is improved significantly compared to the previous publications. Additionally, the measurements of inclusive, prompt and non-prompt J/ψ in p-Pb collisions will be discussed in view of the interpretation of the Pb-Pb data. All the results will be compared with model calculations.

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