

NEWS FROM HEPHY

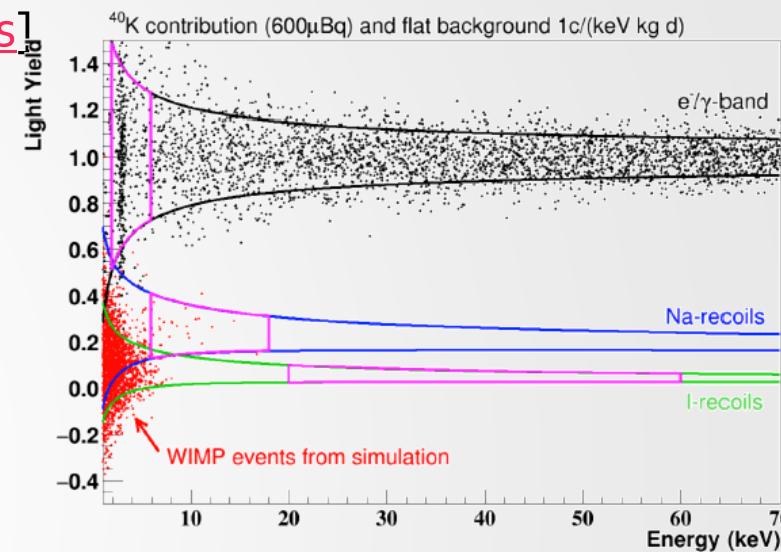
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COSINUS & BELLE

- Cosinus (with TU Wien) experiment [[Hephy-Cosinus](#)] [[Homepage Cosinus](#)]

- Cryogenic direct detection experiment using NaI crystal to verify the DAMA/Libra annual modulation
 - Dual readout: heat signal and scintillating light
 - Spokesperson F. Reindl
 - → Approved by LNGS (Gran Sasso) [[LNGS - Cosinus](#)]



- Belle II @ SuperKEKB

- Luminosity record $2.4 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Set for $400\text{-}500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ in 2021

- new Belle group structure

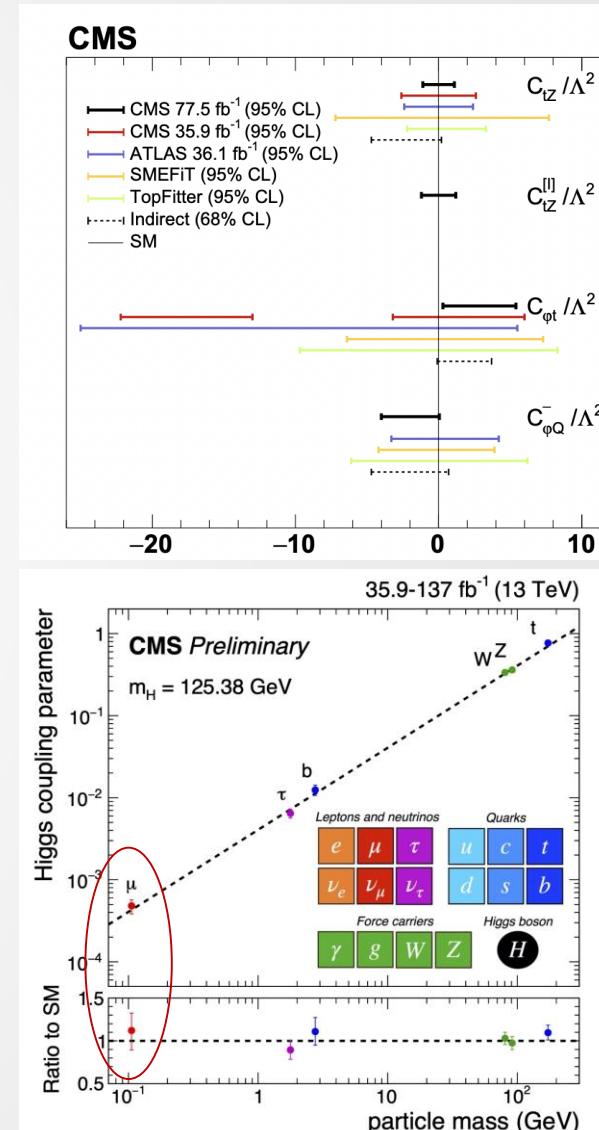
- Christoph Schwanda: V_{cb} and V_{ub} measurements
 - → Ginaluca Inguglia: ERC starting grant (since Nov 1st)

"[InterLeptons](#): a search for new interactions at Belle II using Leptons"

- Belle II searches with leptons and E_T^{miss} targeting DM in Z' decays [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 141801](#)], LFUV decays of tau leptons, LVF decays of the Y resonances



- HEPHY Data Analysis
 1. **Supersymmetry**: first search using full Run II dataset [[Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 3](#)] [FWF];
Ongoing: compressed top squarks [DKPI] and together with Etvoes University
 2. **Top Physics**: ttZ differential x-sec [[JHEP 03 \(2020\) 056](#)] [FWF] Ongoing: ttγ differential x-sec + EFT [FWF], New: tWZ process cross section – [FWF]
 3. **Higgs → ττ and VH**: Run II measurements on track for Moriond'21 [[EWK](#)] [[QCD](#)].
New effort starting in VH final states.
 4. **Long lived particles**: Ongoing: Run-II displaced 2μ search targeting [[EPS 2021](#)] [FWF]
 5. **LHC (Re-) Interpretation**: [Smodels](#) [together with members from Graz University] is consolidating and new ML based approach [Protomodels](#) [[arXiv](#)]
- News from the collaboration
 - 1000th paper milestone: Nov. 2020 [[link](#)]
 - W. Adam completed his term as one of the two L1 Physics Coordinators (2018-2020)
 - CMS: Evidence for Higgs coupling to 2nd generation fermions: $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ [[press release](#)]



HARDWARE

- CMS Tracker: sensor in production (responsibility in testing)
- CMS HCal (HL-LHC calorimetry upgrade):
R&D not complete; HEPHY involvement in design, simulation, irradiation, prototype testing
- MedAustron Proton-CT
 - first data-taking with full setup; upgrade with TOF
 - Low Flux [[arxiv](#)]: Reduce intensity for measuring single particles; new FFG Bridge project to deal with beam positioning & monitoring for the low intensities
synergy with CMOS R&D and ToF-LGAD für Proton-CT

THEORY

- Theory group consolidated
 - Theoretical astroparticle physics (J. Pradler, Xiaoyong Chu) collider phenomenology (H. Eberl)
 - Forschungsgruppe 'Strong DM' (HEPHY & University of Graz)