



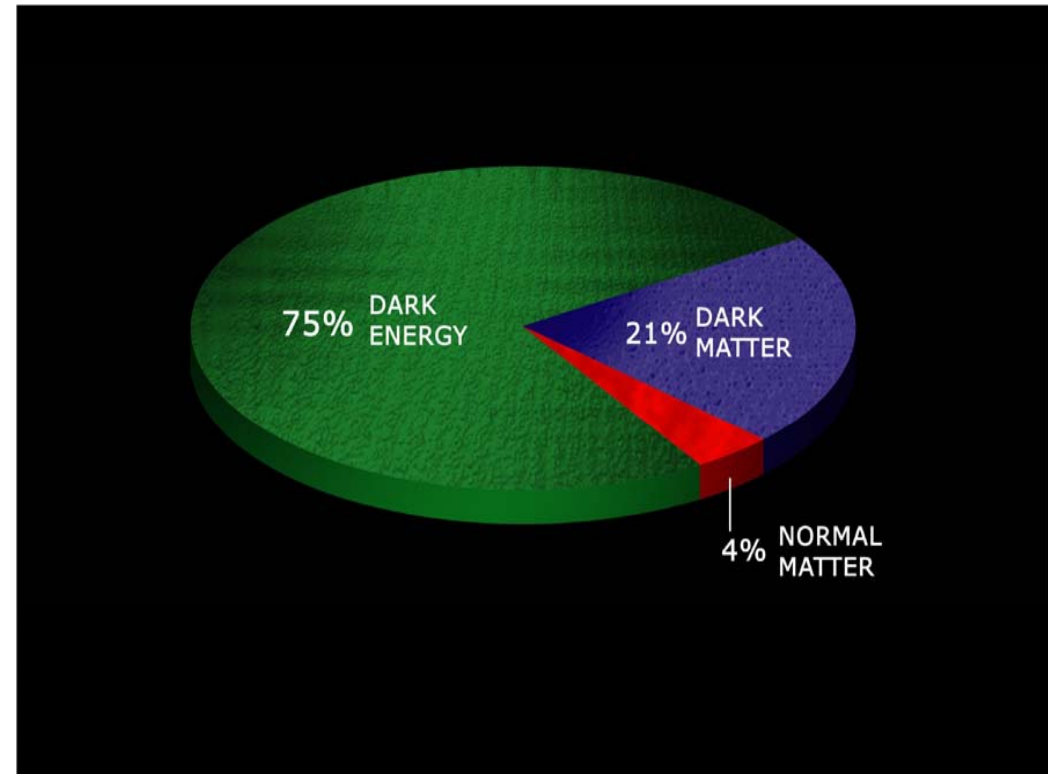
# Dark Matter Direct Detection roadmap strategy

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# Dark Matter and Dark Energy

Outstanding question : What is the Universe made of ?

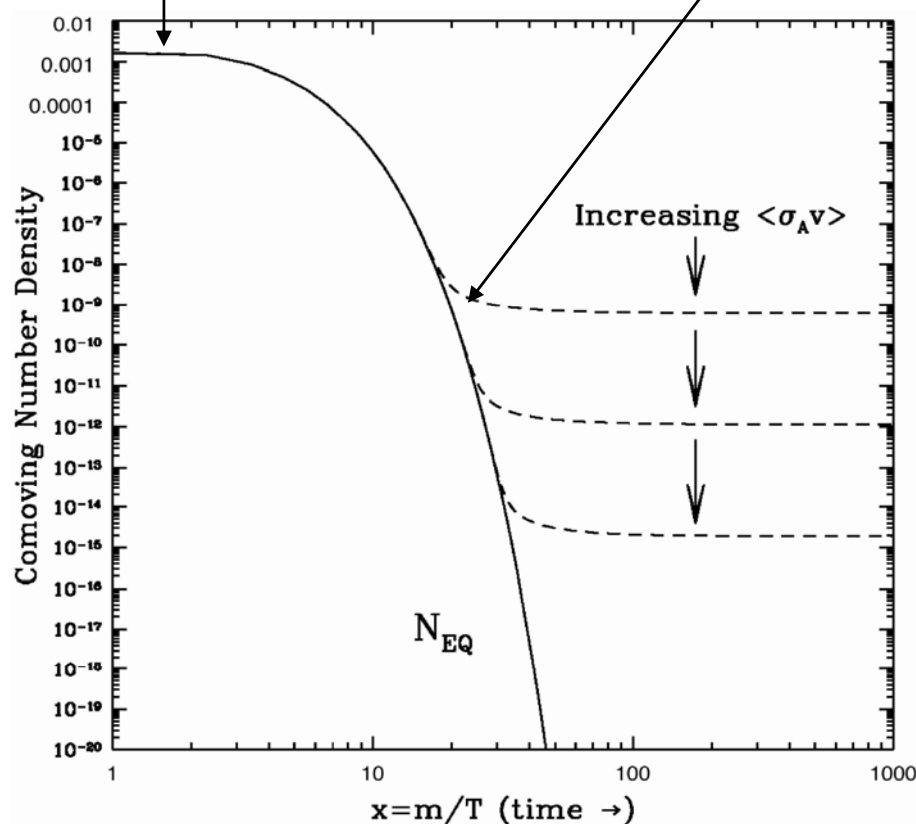
- Ordinary (baryonic) matter only represents only  $\approx 4\%$  of the Universe energy content



# Weakly interacting massive particles

- long lived or stable particles left over from the BB
- Axions not discussed here

thermoequilibrium abundance      actual abundance



$$\Omega_\chi \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle}$$

$$\sigma_A \approx \sigma_{weak}$$

The “WIMP miracle”

$M_W \approx 50\text{-}500 \text{ GeV}$

$\langle v \rangle \approx 300 \text{ km/s}$

$\sigma \approx 10^{-6}\text{-}10^{-10} \text{ pbarn}$



Dark  
Matter



search for  
physics beyond  
the Standard Model

**new elementary particles**

*Supersymmetry ???*

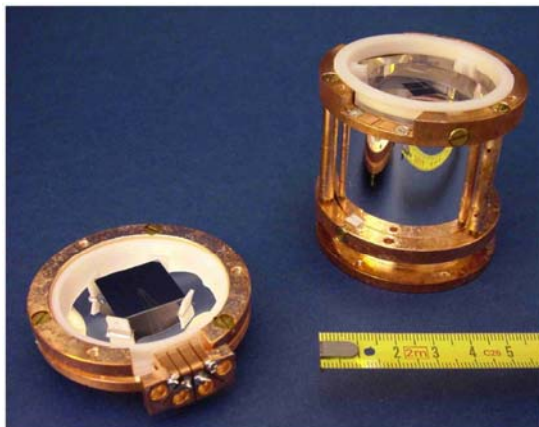
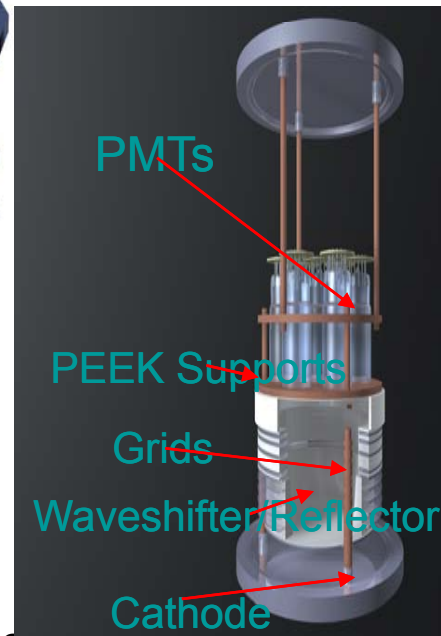
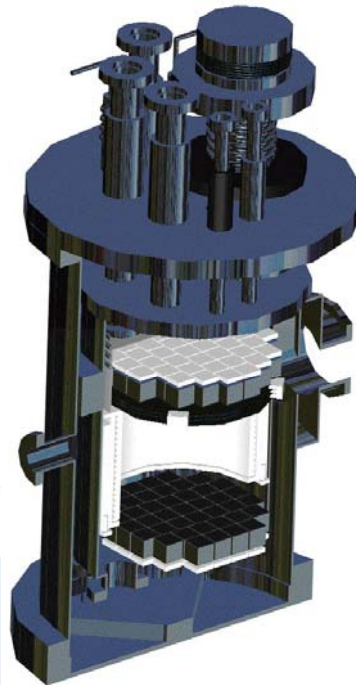
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# Natural WIMP : SUSY Lightest particle

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = N_{11} \tilde{B} + N_{12} \tilde{W}^3 + N_{13} \tilde{H}_1^0 + N_{14} \tilde{H}_2^0$$

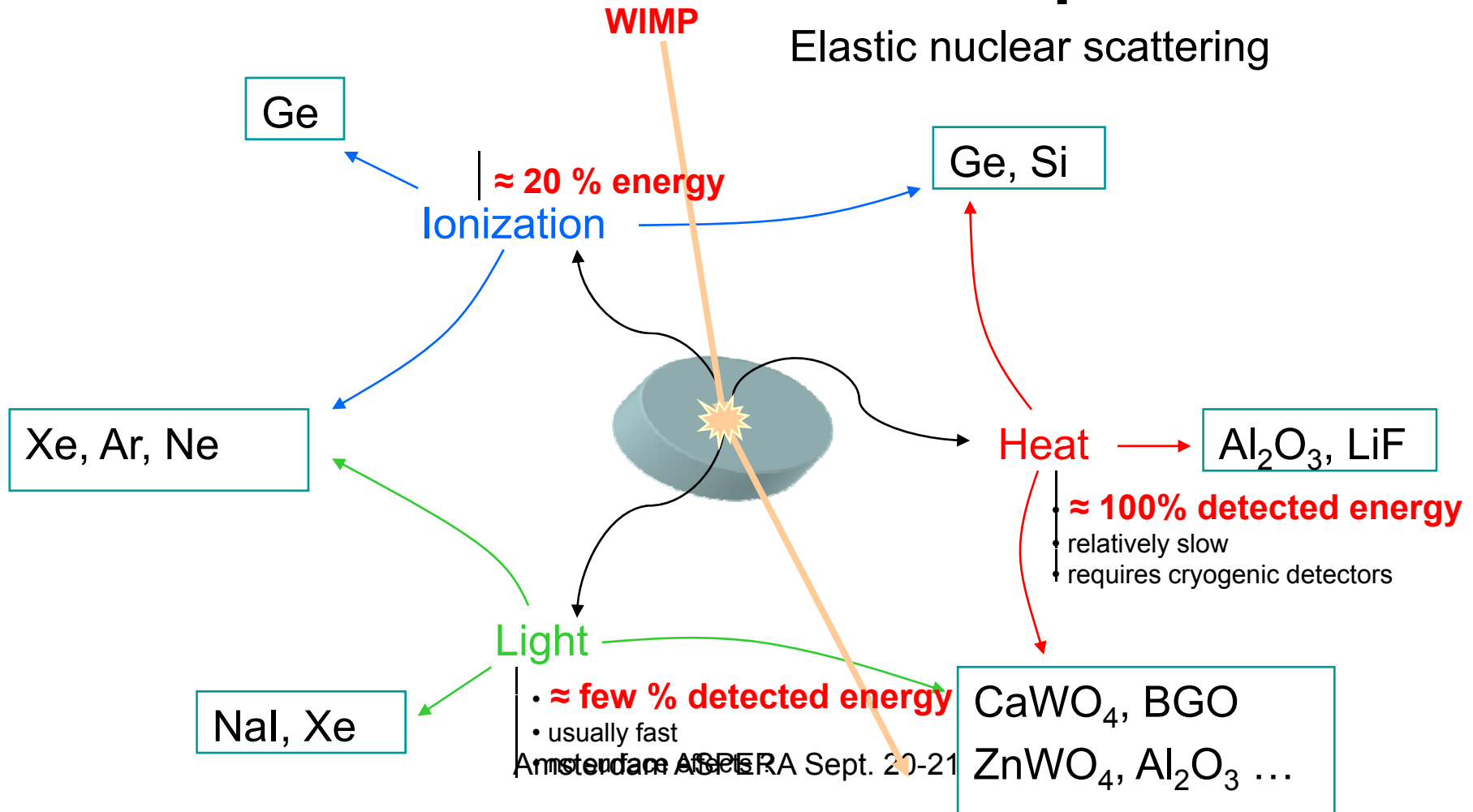
gaugino fraction:  $Z_g = |N_{11}|^2 + |N_{12}|^2$

- Stable if SUSY exists and R-parity is conserved
- Direct detection:
  - WIMP scattering off nuclei



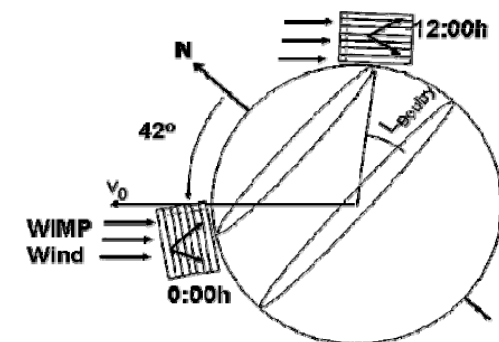
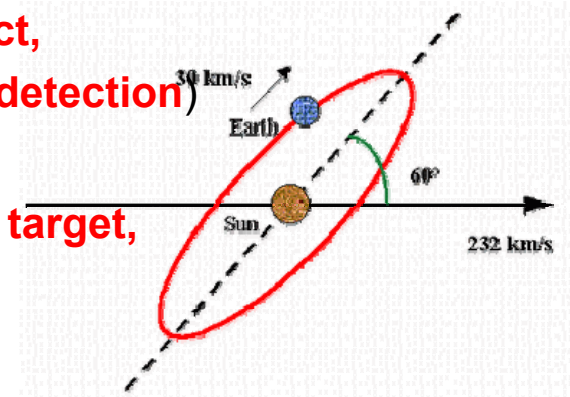
**After Drukier and Stodolsky, PRD 30 (1984) 2295  
(and Goodman and Witten (1985) )**

# Direct detection techniques



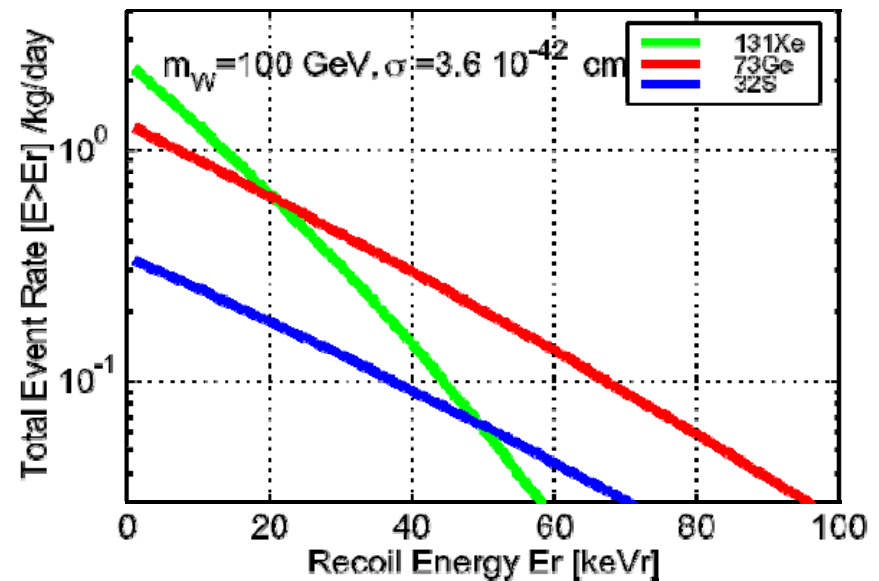
# Possible WIMP Signatures

- **Nuclear vs electronic recoil**
  - discrimination almost **required now**
- Annual flux modulation
  - (**tricky, most events close to threshold, small effect,**
  - **Requires > 500 kg Ge target for > 5 years and  $5\sigma$  detection**)
- Diurnal direction modulation
  - (nice signature, but **requires low pressure gaseous target,**
  - **Not convincingly demonstrated yet**
- No multiple interactions
  - (usually only removes limited fraction of background)
- Recoil energy spectrum shape
  - (exponential, **rather similar to background...**)
- Consistency between **targets of different nuclei**
  - (essential once first signal is clearly identified)



# Experimental challenges

- Background suppression
  - Deep underground sites
  - Radio-purity of components
  - Active/passive shielding
- Large target mass required
- ~ few keV energy threshold
- Stability and reproducibility
- **Discriminate recoil populations**
  - **Photons scatter off electrons**
  - **WIMPs/neutrons off nuclei**
  - radon heavy nuclear recoils, alpha tails...

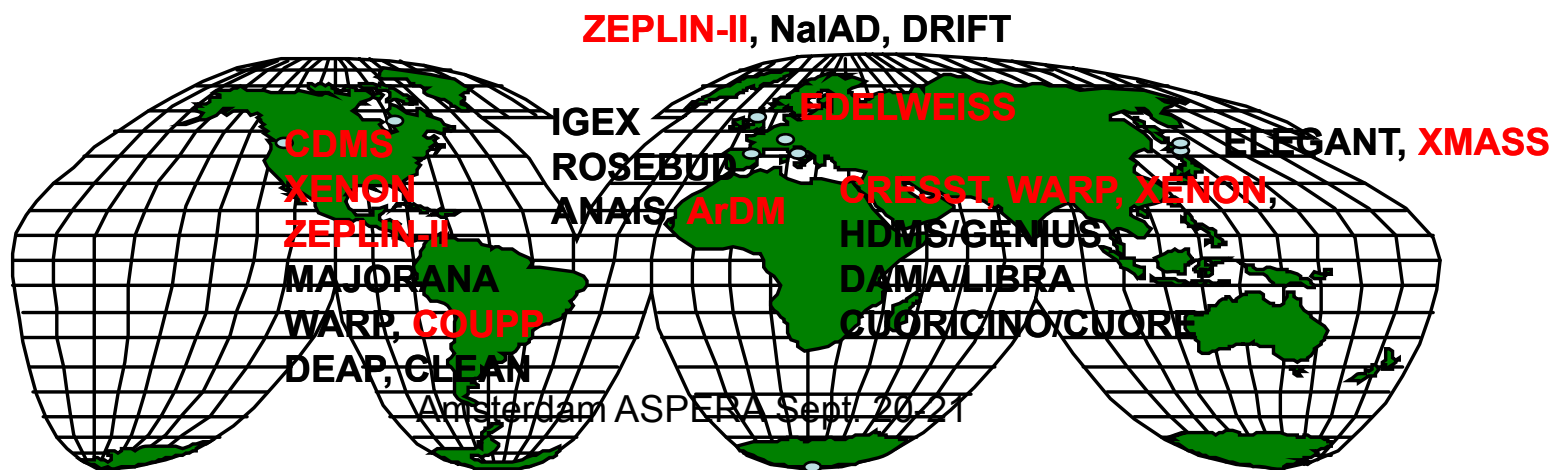


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 Expected Energy Spectra for a 100 GeV WIMP, illustrating the importance of the choice of detector material



# Main Wimp direct detection experiments

- CDMS-II @ Soudan Mine (US project)
- EDELWEISS-II (cryo Ge @ Fréjus) → EURECA
- CRESST-II (cryo CaWO<sub>4</sub>, ZnWO<sub>4</sub>) @ Gran Sasso → EURECA
- XENON-10 @ Gran Sasso, ZEPLIN-II and -III @ Boulby → ELIXIR
- ArDM @ Canfranc, WARP @ Gran Sasso → common Ar-Xe Design Study ?
- DRIFT + MIMAC → CYGNUS
- LIBRA (NaI) @ Gran Sasso, , NaIAD (Boulby), ANAIS (Canfranc)
- IGEX @ Canfranc, HDMS/GENIUS-TF (Ge) @ Gran Sasso
- CUORICINO/ CUORE (TeO<sub>2</sub>) @ Gran Sasso
- COUPP, SIMPLE, MACHe3, ORPHEUS (Bern)
- XMASS, ELEGANT, LiF @Japan
- (Future experiments: SuperCDMS, EURECA , XENON-100, GERDA, LUX... )



# WG5 Dark Matter

(direct detection only)

## Composition of the Working Group

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  - Neil SPOONER
- **Nearly all European Dark Matter experiments represented, together with CDMS and XENON**

# Main meetings of WG5

- Valencia Nov. 7-8, 2006 meeting :  
*ASPERA kick-off meeting*  
*ApPEC roadmap discussion*
- Paris Feb. 1st, 2007 meeting:  
*all major European groups represented*
- CERN July 13th, 2007 meeting:  
*all major European groups except WARP*

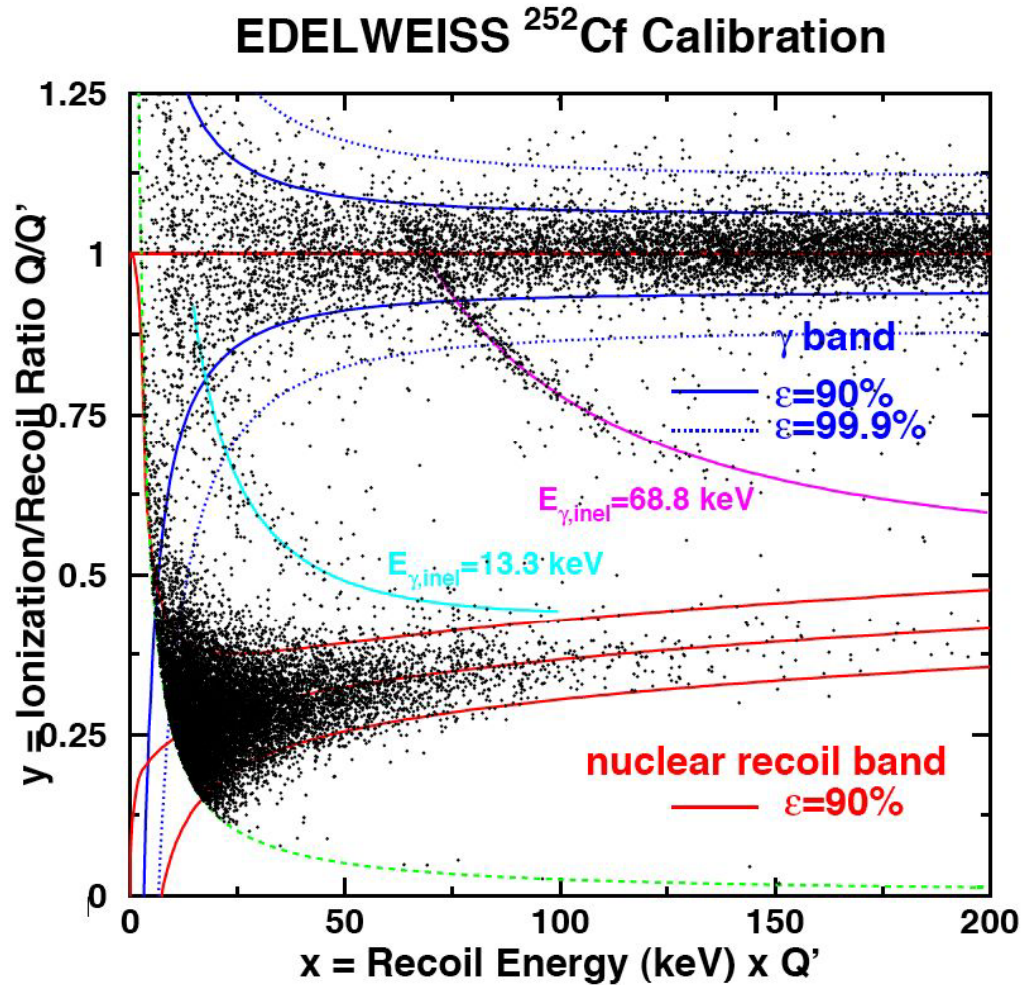
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- Paris Feb. 1st and CERN July 13th meetings:
  - Presentation and discussion of basically all Direct Detection DM European projects
  - Discussion of European and US roadmaps
  - Definition of strategy and prioritization (CERN meeting)
- **ASPERA Questionnaires + presentations + US and ApPEC roadmaps can be found on ASPERA Plone Website**

# Projects discussed in WG5

- Cryogenic: CRESST + EDELWEISS  
→ EURECA
- Xenon TPC: XENON10, 100, ZEPLIN-II, -III  
→ ELIXIR
- Argon TPC: ArDM, WARP → ?
- DRIFT + MIMAC → CYGNUS
- DAMA-1ton, ULTIMA, SIMPLE
- Underground facility ULISSE

# Edelweiss: event-by-event discrimination



**Charge + Heat  
Measurement**

**Neutron + gamma  
calibration**

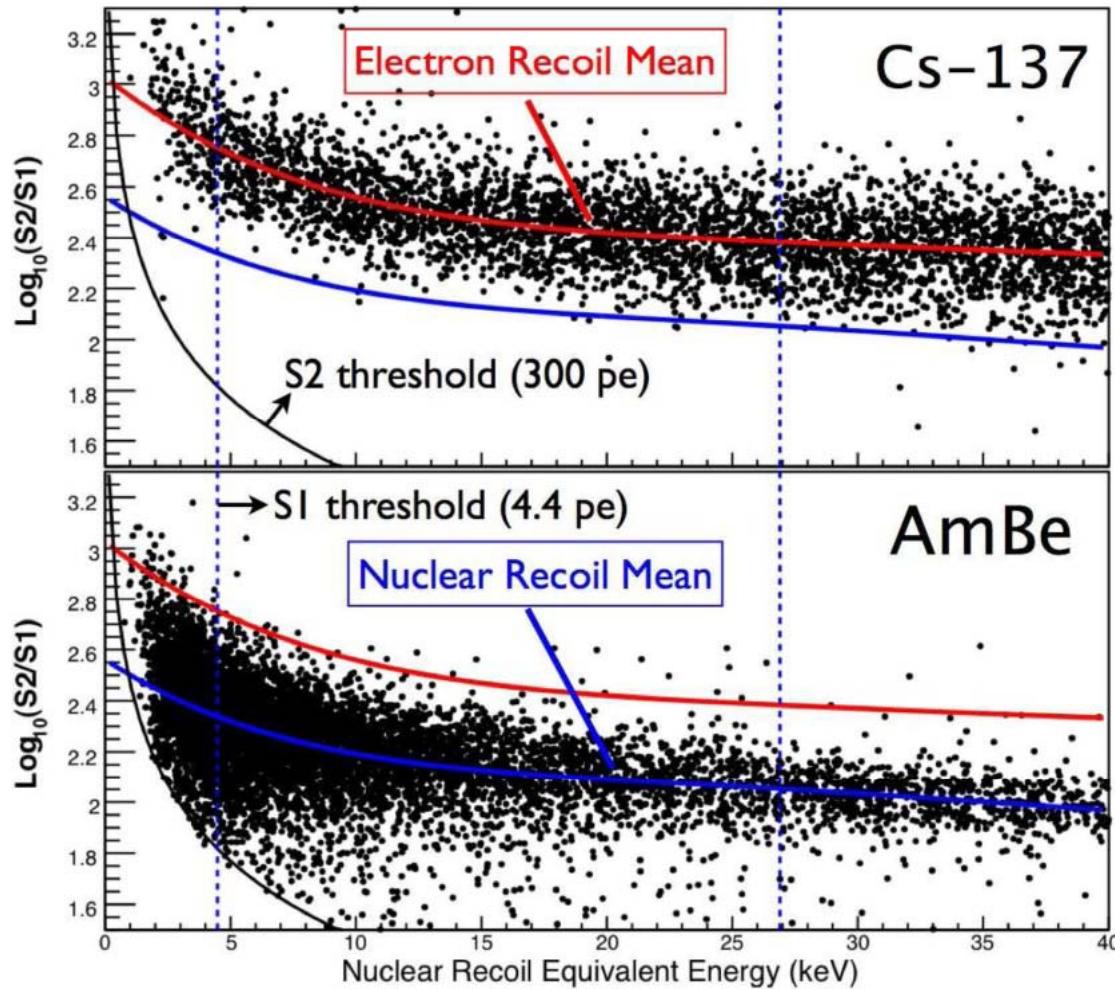
**Nuclear recoil  
discrimination  
down to 20 keV  
threshold :  
 $\gamma$ -ray rejection > 99.99 %**

# XENON neutron and gamma calibrations

Charge + Light  
Measurement

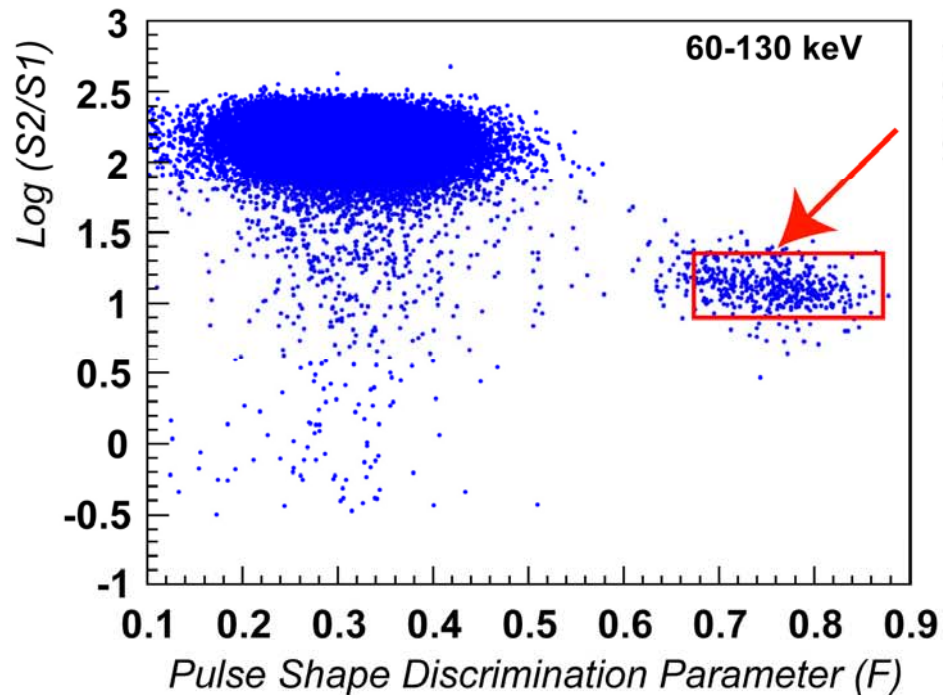
Gamma  
calibration

Nuclear recoil  
AmBe calibration

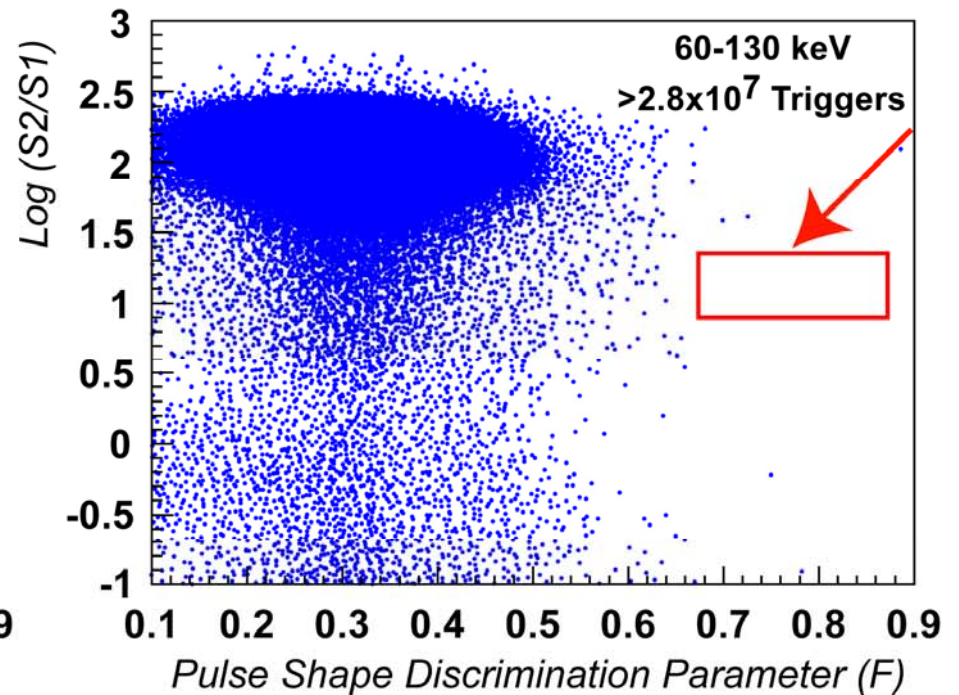


# “Dirty” liquid WARP 2.3 It at LNGS

Neutron Calibration



WIMP Exposure of 96.5 kg • day

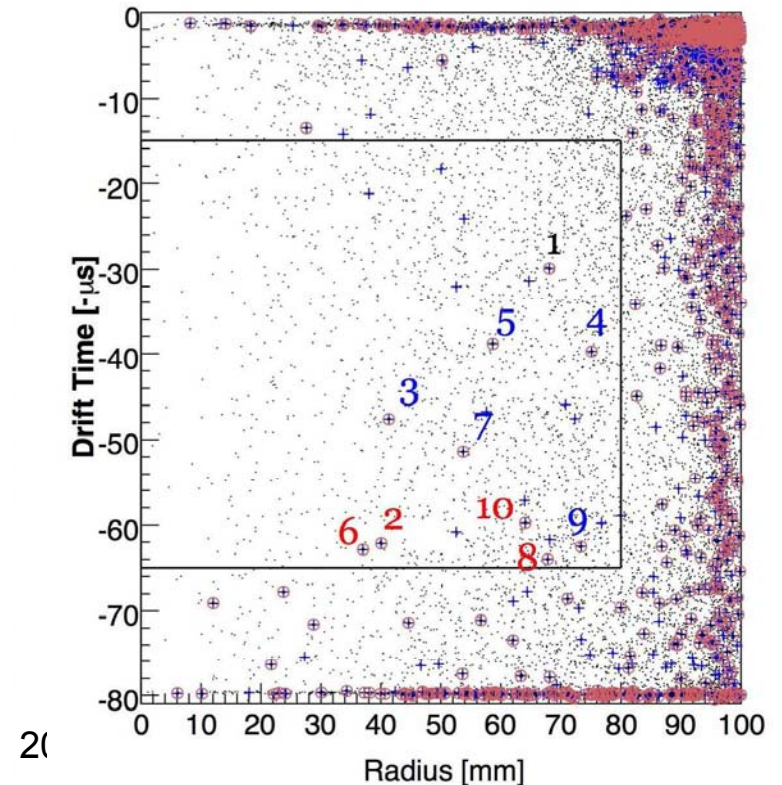
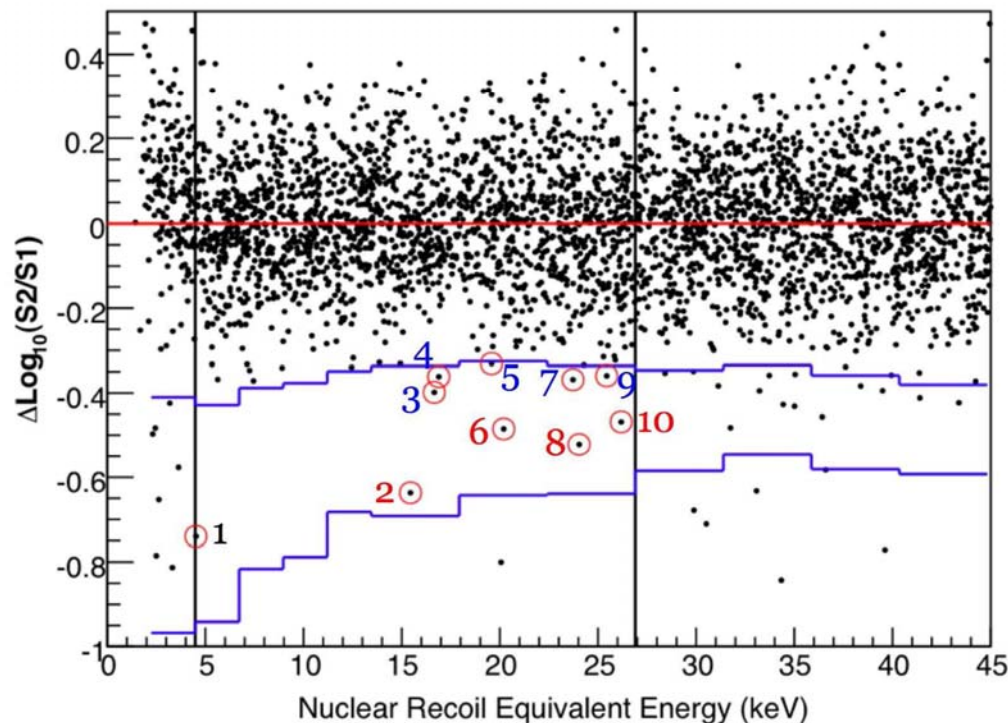


Impressive  $> 10^7$  background rejection factor  
**Procurement of <sup>39</sup>Ar depleted argon in future**



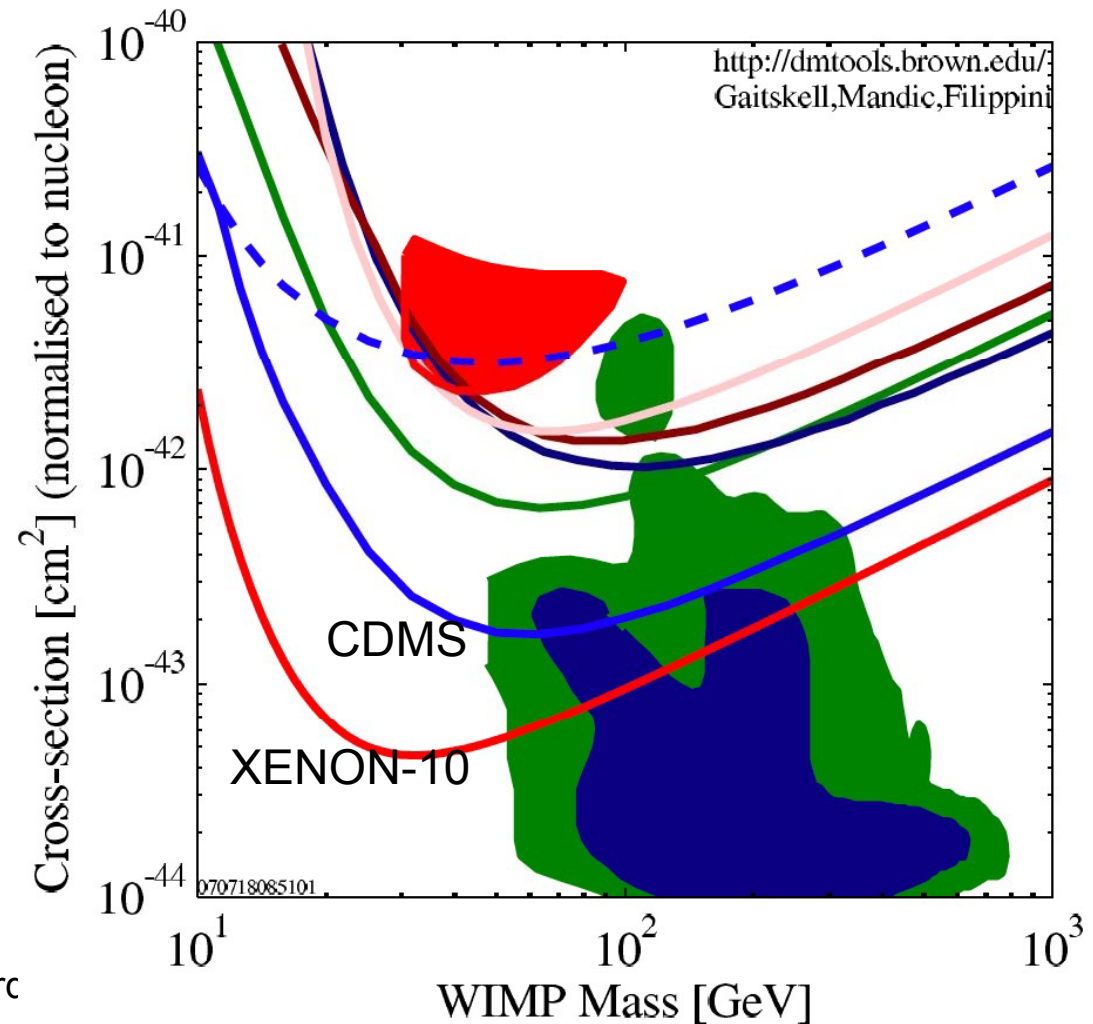
# Experimental status and strategy

- Most experiments (below, XENON) are recording background events, and testing strategies to remove them



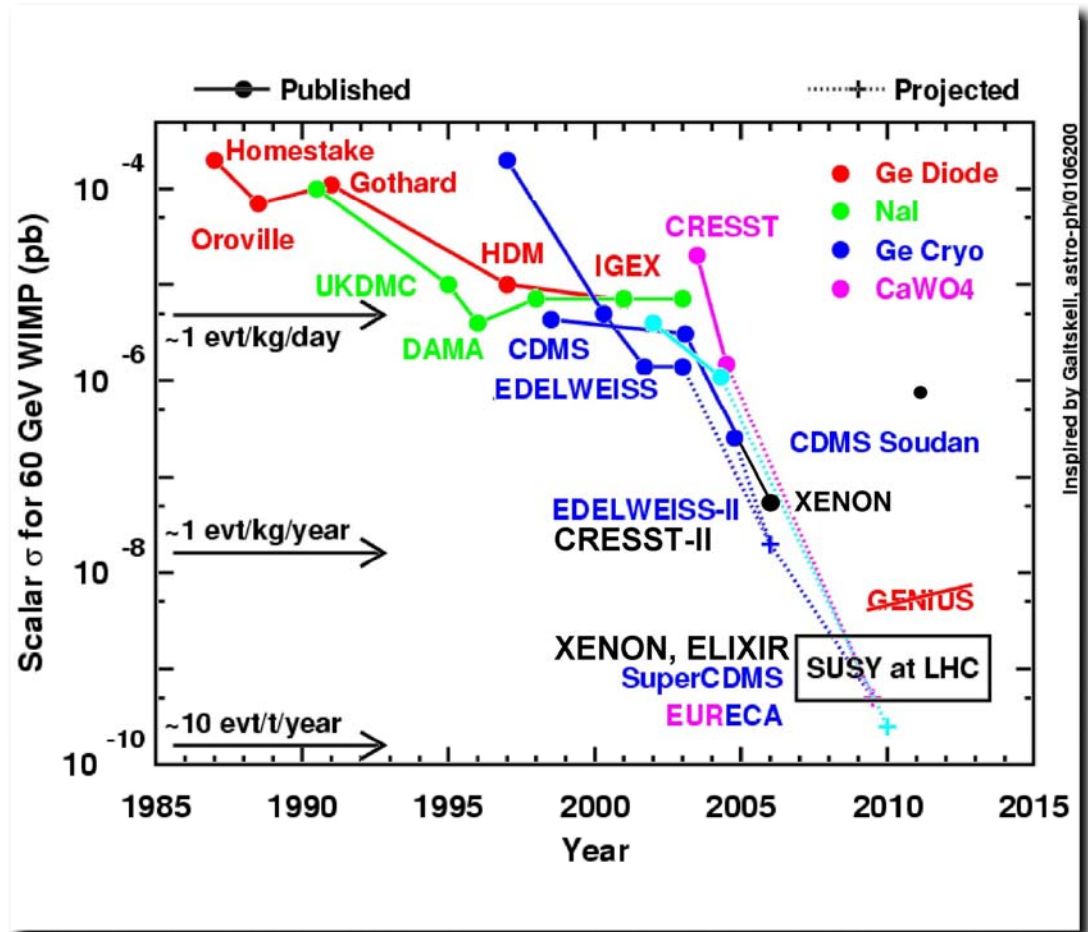
# Experimental status and strategy

- Goal  $\approx$  2018  
 $10^{-10}$  pbarn
- Factor  $\approx$  300  
progress in  
sensitivity still  
required compared  
to best present  
sensitivities



# Time evolution of sensitivity

- Rapid evolution of sensitivity of discriminating experiments  
(factor > 100 since 2000)  
(XENON, CDMS, CRESST, EDELWEISS, WARP, ZEPLIN-II...)
- But goals are **still  $\approx 2-3$  orders of magnitude** beyond present best performances



# Experimental status

- Impressive progress has been realized over the last year by liquid target DM experiments (XENON, WARP, ZEPLIN-II)
- Cryogenic detector experiments (CDMS, CRESST, EDELWEISS) are progressing rapidly with their 10-kg stages
- **The  $10^{-8}$  pbarn “ SUSY-rich ” region should be reached within two years**

# Experimental status and strategy

- Today, there exists several approaches towards  $10^{-9}$  pbarn sensitivity
- Still,  $10^{-10}$  pbarn represents  $\approx 2.5$  orders of magnitude improvement in sensitivity when compared to best present sensitivity (XENON)
- Important task: identifying a signal as Dark Matter WIMP  
=> requires confirmed detection by **more than one nuclear target**
- => We recommend to pursue **in parallel three main experimental lines:**  
**Ar, Xe, cryogenic detectors**

# Experimental status and strategy

It is therefore proposed to progress in **two stages**

- 1) Next 3-4 years, demonstrate/optimize discrimination strategy and sensitivity at  $\approx 10^{-8}$  pbarn with 10-100 kg stages
  - Design studies: EURECA, ELIXIR/Liquid Argon
  - ArDM ton-scale detector + WARP-140
- 2) In  $\approx 2010$ , decision on two (3?) complementary experiments with sensitivity in the  $10^{-10}$  pbarn range

In parallel, two main **R&D activities**:

- Clear demonstration of **directional detector**: CYGNUS
- Procurement of  **$^{39}\text{Ar}$  depleted argon (underground natural gas, isotopic separation)**

# R&D activities

- Nobody has demonstrated yet an experimental method able to reach with **reasonable certainty  $10^{-10}$  pbarn sensitivity** (that would give access to **fair fraction of SUSY** models)
- Continuation of **significant R&D** activities during the first phase is therefore essential
- Main goal :  
improvement of **background rejection and identification** performances
- Clear demonstration of directionality and, if possible, of track sense determination would prepare the **final stage : demonstration of galactic origin** of WIMP signal if observed in “ first detection ” experiments

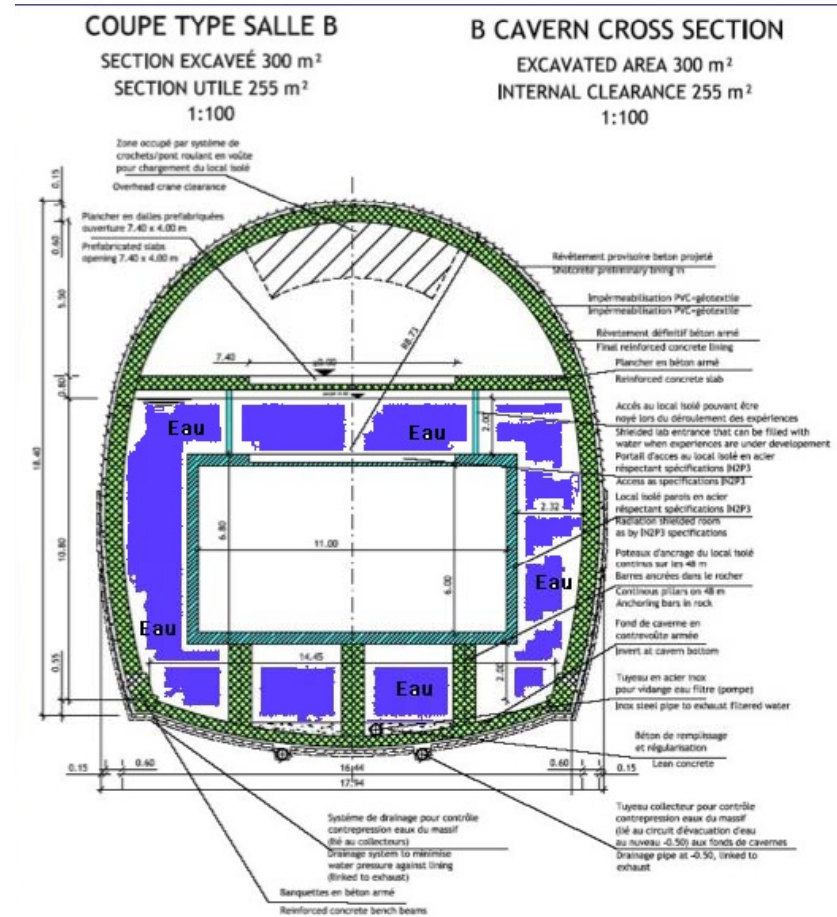
# Towards experiments at $10^{-10}$ pbarn sensitivity

- Recommendation of common experimental effort on well-equipped neutron scattering facility (e.g. TU-Muenchen, or Amande Grenoble)
  - Precision calibration is necessary to assess the discrimination and energy calibration performances of competing techniques
  - High statistics neutron calibration of small-scale prototypes of all main experiments
  - Calibration of nuclear recoils at low energy of WARP and ZEPLIN, and to lesser extent XENON, not yet clear and should be improved
- In parallel, design study phase of **ultra-low background deep underground laboratory**, active rejection and identification of showers (ULISSE)



# Underground facility for DM search

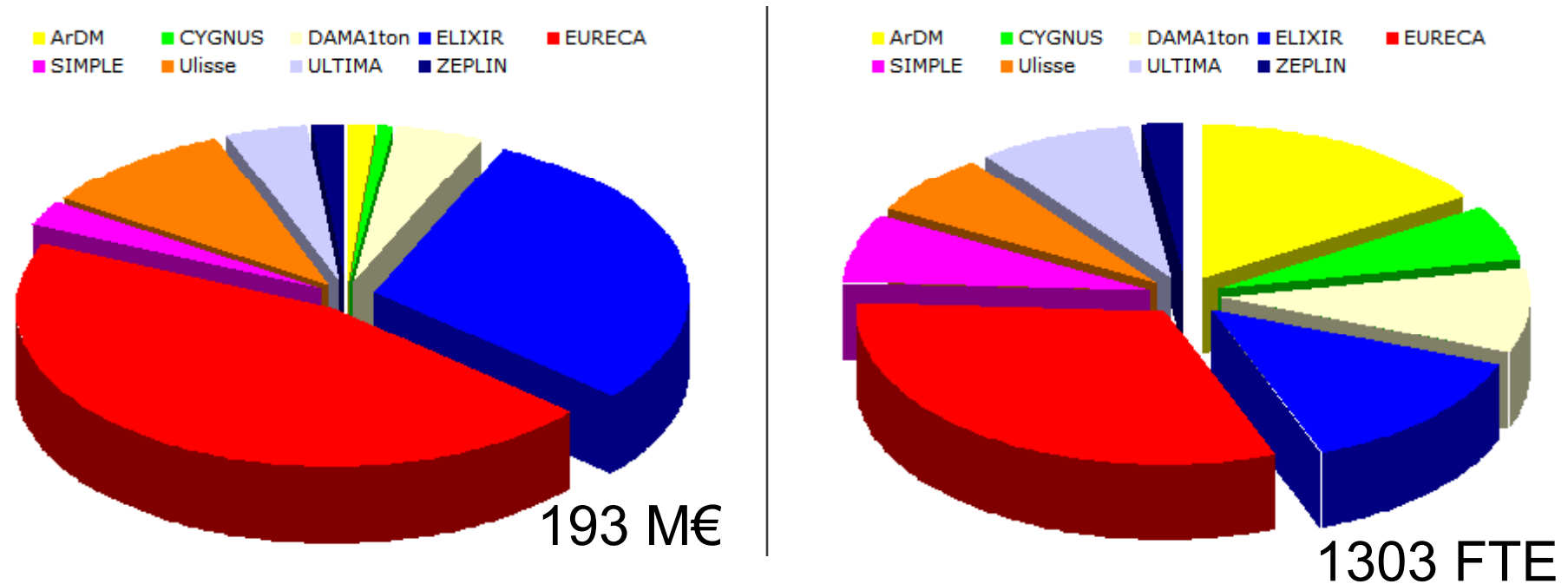
- Design study phase of ultra-low background deep underground laboratory, active rejection and identification of showers (ULISSE)
- This Design Study can be used by all Dark Matter direct detection experiments
- Active shower rejection



# Funding requests European DM program

- Design studies (2008-2011) for:
  - cryogenic (CRESST + EDELWEISS → EURECA)
  - liquid noble targets (ArDM, WARP) + (EU XENON + EU ZEPLIN) experiments
- Unification of same target experiments recommended
- Importance of ApPEC coordination
- In parallel to these two main lines, dedicated R&D on directionality (CYGNUS)
- Overall, **20 M€ investment first stage program over next 3-4 years**
- In  $\approx$  2010, decision on 2 (if possible 3) DM experiments with **total investment budget in the 100 M€ range**

# Projects Investment Costs 2008 - 2018



Recommendations:

Cryogenic => EURECA

Noble Liquid Gases => ELIXIR, WARP, ArDM (unify!)

R&D (Cygnus, Ulisse, ..)





# Conclusions

- Progress in two stages (Design, deployment)
  - Two main techniques
  - R&D activities
  - Note: two Design Studies priorities of ApPEC  
**If CTA and EURECA not funded by Europe,  
fundamental that they are by ApPEC**
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Agreement of  
CDMS, XENON, CRESST, EDELWEISS  
to make ntuples (low-background data and calibrations)  
in **open access data**  
after typically one year or 18 month