

# Direct neutrino-mass measurements - current and next generations

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The precise measurement of neutrino masses represents a critical frontier in particle physics, with implications that extend beyond the Standard Model and into cosmology. Direct neutrino mass measurements are uniquely model-independent and critical for cross-validating of other approaches. The Karlsruhe Tritium Neutrino (KATRIN) experiment, employing beta-decay spectroscopy to measure the incoherent sum of neutrino masses, is in its final year of data taking. KATRIN has progressively improved the upper limit on neutrino mass, achieving  $m < 0.45$  eV at 90% C.L. and aims to reach a final sensitivity of  $m < 0.3$  eV. This limit represents the reach of the current state-of-the-art technology. Next-generation experiments, targeting sensitivities below the inverted ordering range ( $m < 0.05$  eV), require novel technologies, such as atomic tritium sources and differential detection methods, as explored by KATRIN++, Project8, and QTNM.

Another approach is to calorimetrically measure the energy released from electron capture reactions, e.g. from Ho-163 atoms implanted into cryogenic micro-calorimeters. This technology is currently employed by the ECHo and HOLMES collaborations with sensitivities in the order of  $O(10)$  eV. Next, their statistics will be improved by increasing the number of channels and measurement time.

This talk will present the latest results and plans for next-generation neutrino mass experiments.

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