

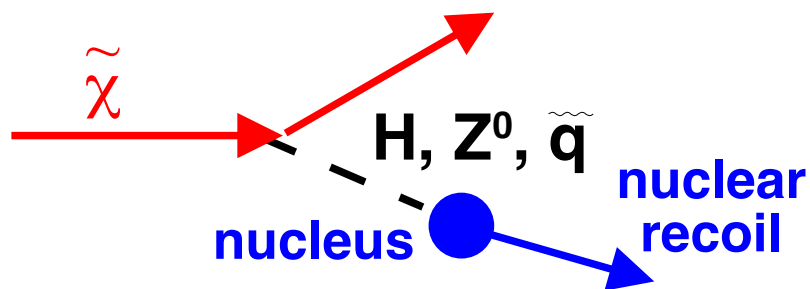
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- **Introduction**
- **Cryo-bolometer experiments**
- **Liquid noble gas experiments**
- **Outlook and conclusions**

c) Direct WIMP detection – search for nuclear recoil:



**Signature:**  
energy transfer to nucleus  
by invisible particle

Recoil energy

$$E_R = \frac{\mu^2}{M_N^2} \cdot v^2 \cdot (1 - \theta_{CMS}) \approx 10 \text{ keV} \quad \text{for } M_N = m_\chi = 50 \text{ GeV}$$

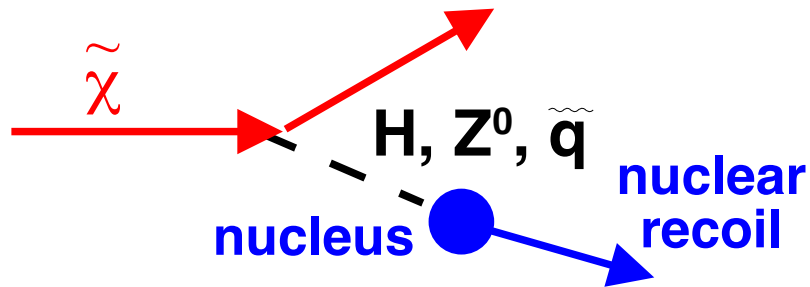
with reduced mass

$$\mu = \frac{M_N \cdot m_\chi}{M_N + m_\chi}$$

Simple estimate of weak interaction rate:

$$R \propto N_N \cdot j \cdot \sigma = N_N \cdot n_\chi \cdot \langle v \cdot \sigma \rangle = N_N \cdot \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \cdot \langle v \cdot \sigma \rangle$$

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Differential cross section

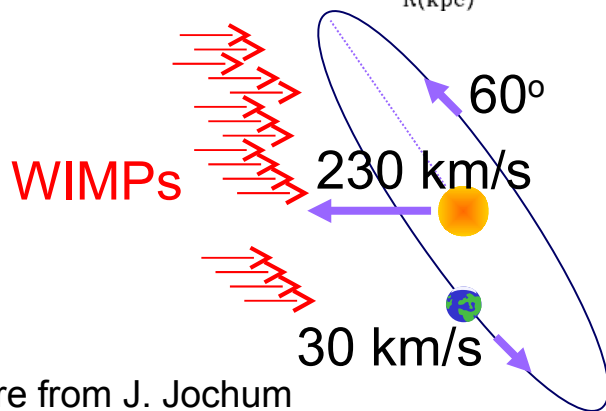
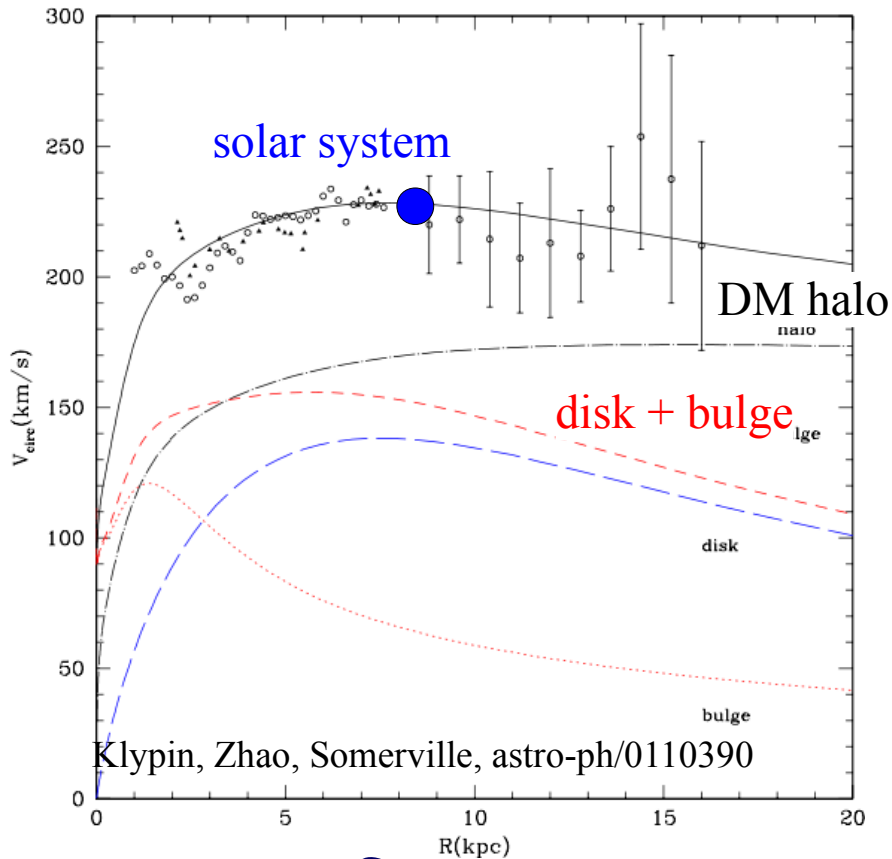
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} = \frac{M_N}{2 \cdot \mu^2 \cdot v^2} \cdot \left( \sigma_{SI} \cdot |F_{SI}(E_R)|^2 + \sigma_{SD} \cdot |F_{SD}(E_R)|^2 \right)$$

with WIMP-nucleus spin-independent (SI) and spin-dependent (SD) cross sections

$$\sigma_{SI} = \frac{4\mu^2}{\pi} \cdot (Z \cdot f_p + (A - Z) \cdot f_n)^2 \propto A^2$$

$$\sigma_{SD} = \frac{32\mu^2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{J + 1}{J} \cdot (a_p \cdot \langle S_p \rangle + a_n \cdot \langle S_n \rangle)^2$$

# Interaction with WIMPs from our DM halo



picture from J. Jochum

local density (PDG2009):

$$\rho(r_E) = 0.3^{+0.3}_{-0.15} \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

halo distribution (NFW APJ490 (1997) 493):

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{\frac{r}{R_s} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{R_s}\right)^2}$$

local velocity distribution (Maxwell):

$$f(\vec{v} - \vec{v}_E) = \exp(-(\vec{v} - \vec{v}_E)^2/v_0^2)$$

$$v_0 = 220 \text{ km/s}$$

velocity of earth:

$$v_E = 215_{2. \text{ Dec.}} - 245_{2. \text{ June}} \text{ km/s}$$

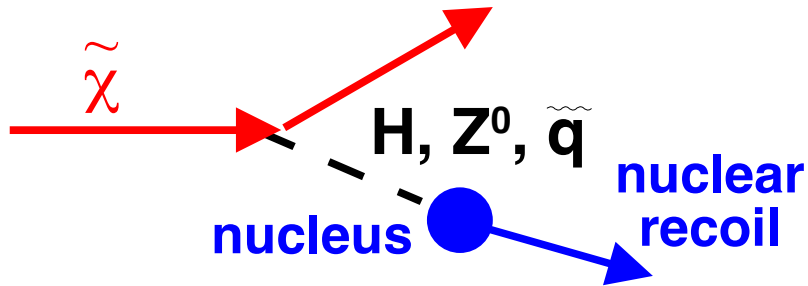
⇒ annual modulation

recoil spectrum:

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = N_N \cdot \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \cdot \langle v \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \rangle = N_N \cdot \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \cdot \int_{v_{\min}(E_R)}^{v_{\max}} f(\vec{v} - \vec{v}_E) \cdot v \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} d^3v$$

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} \approx \exp\left(-\frac{E_R}{E_0}\right)$$

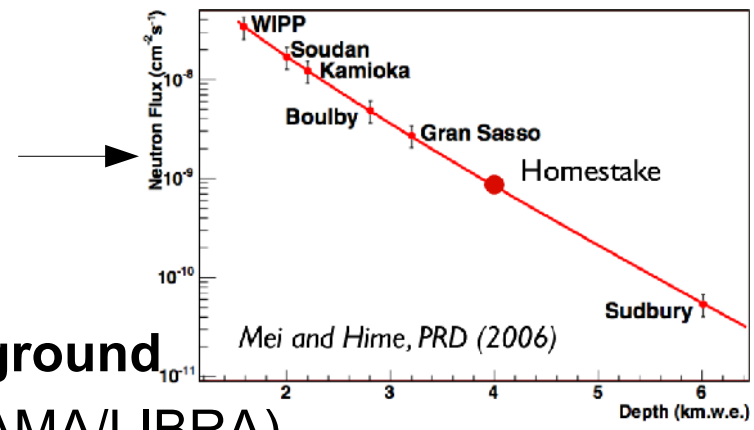
# Difficulties to search for WIMPs



**2 generic problems:**

- very low rate
- very low recoil energy

⇒ go underground to reduce  $\mu$ 's and  $\mu$ -induced n's & shielding, very clean materials, ..

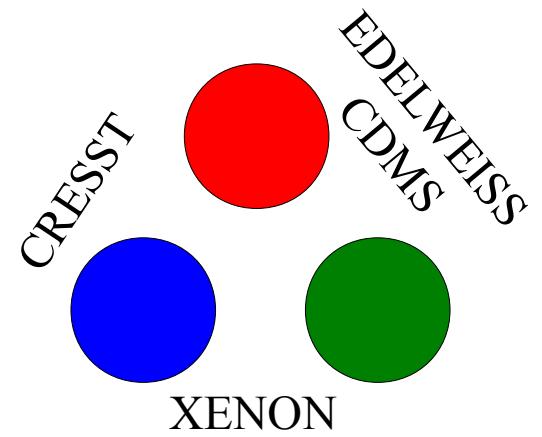


⇒ very special techniques to suppress  $\gamma$ , e,  $\alpha$  background

a) large detector mass to see annual modulation (DAMA/LIBRA)

b) double read-out to distinguish nuclear recoil from others

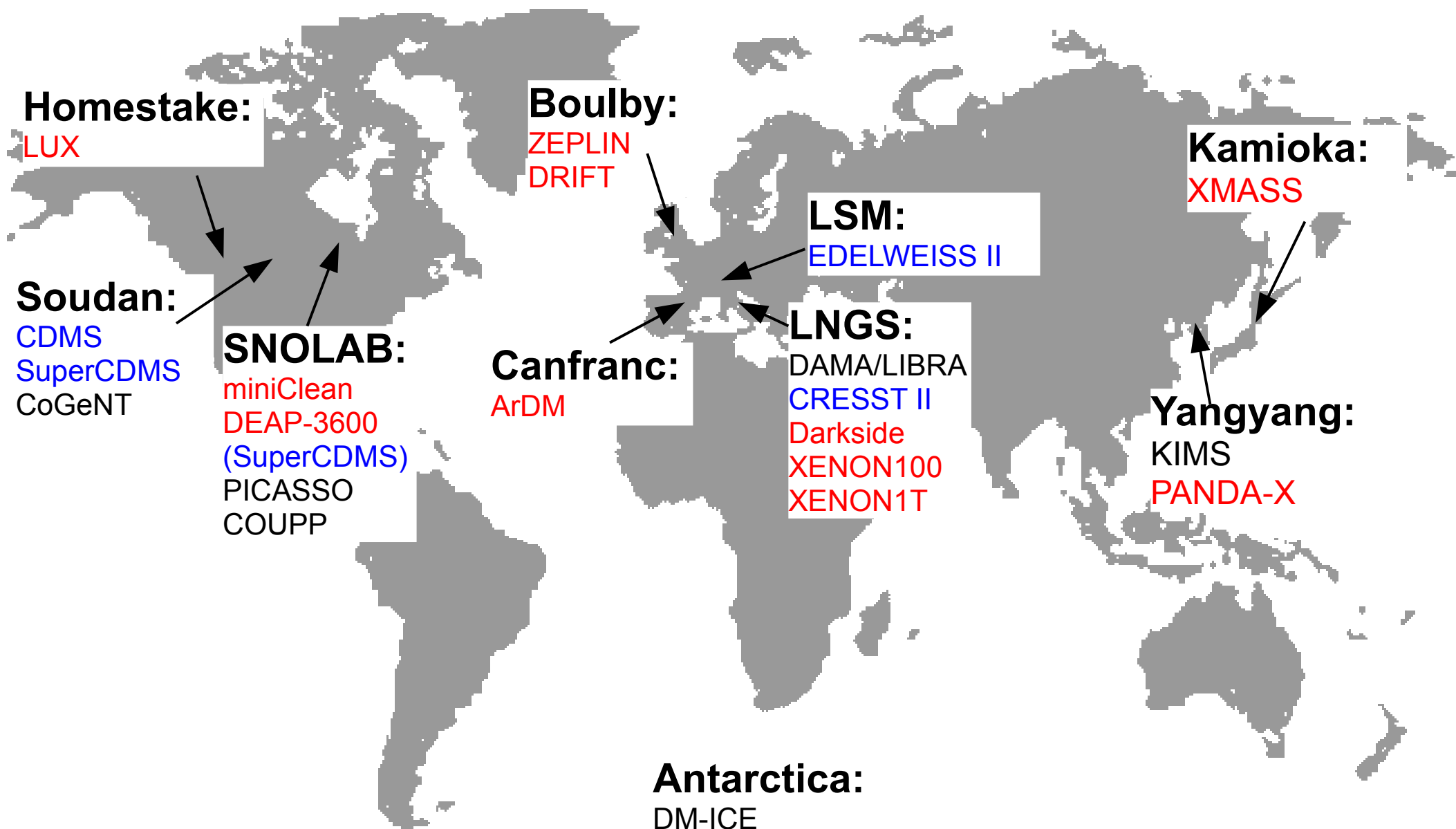
- cryobolometers:
  - heat + ionisation or heat + light
- liquid noble gas detectors:
  - light + ionisation



c) directional (but not enough target mass)

# Direct Cold Dark Matter (WIMP) searches

**cryo bolometer / liquid noble gases / others**



# DAMA/LIBRA experiment: signal for Dark Matter ?

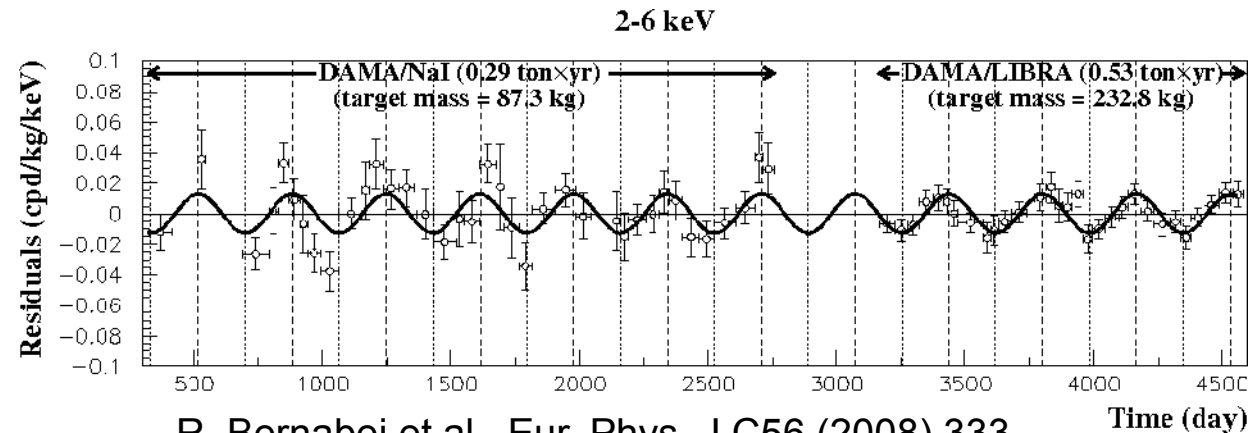


at LNGS / Italy

250 kg NaI crystals

detection of scintillation light

clear annual modulation signal



R. Bernabei et al., Eur. Phys. J C56 (2008) 333

Are these really WIMPs ?

Not seen by any other experiment

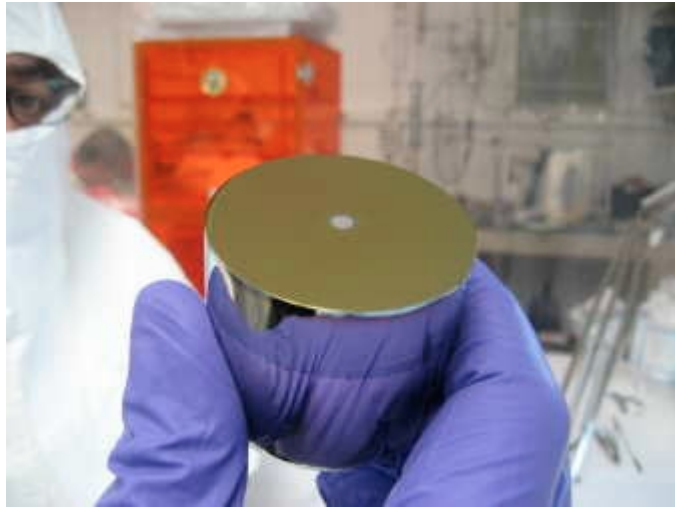
**KIMS (CsI) sees no oscillation at the DAMA amplitude:  
 $a < 0.0119$  cts / (d kg keV) (90% C.L.)**

⇒ non-understood detector feature of DAMA/LIBRA  
or something very interesting and unexpected ?



# CoGeNT at Soudan mine

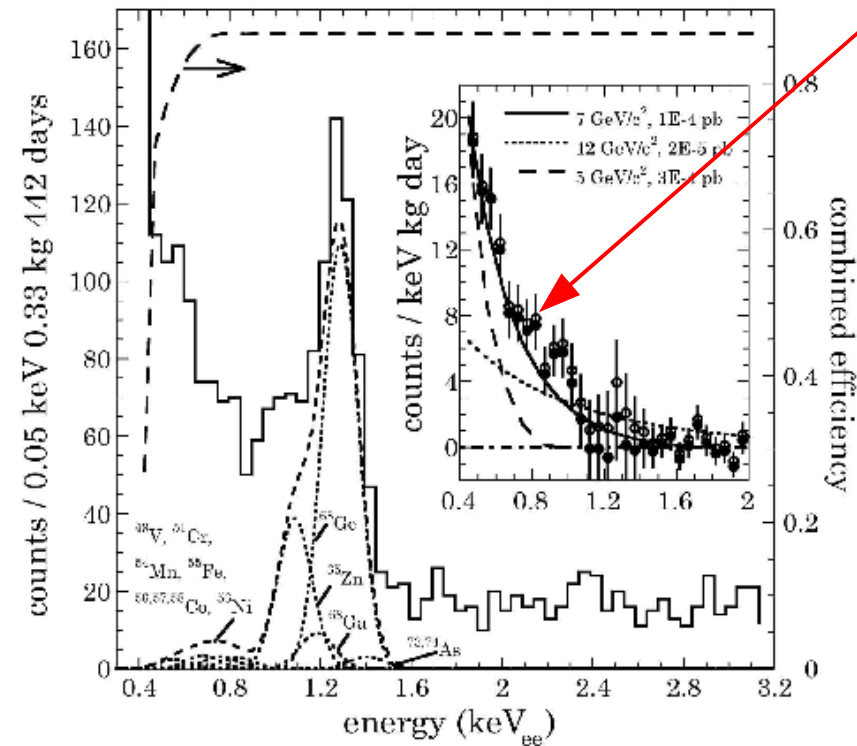
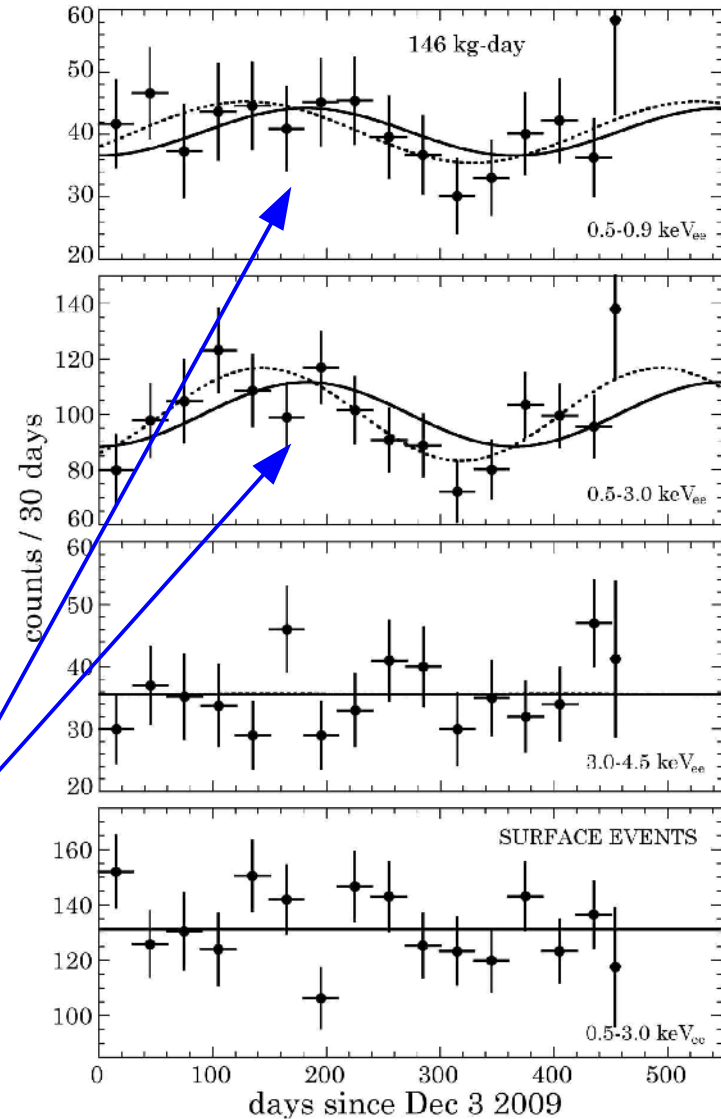
## excess and anual modulation: low mass WIMPs ?



p-type point contact  
germanium detector  
→ ultra-low threshold  
at Soudan mine

“irreducible  
background”  
after subtraction of  
lines and  
flat background  
→ WIMP-signal ?

2.8  $\sigma$  annual  
modulation  
in low energy  
part, but  
large amplitude  
( $> 10\%$ )

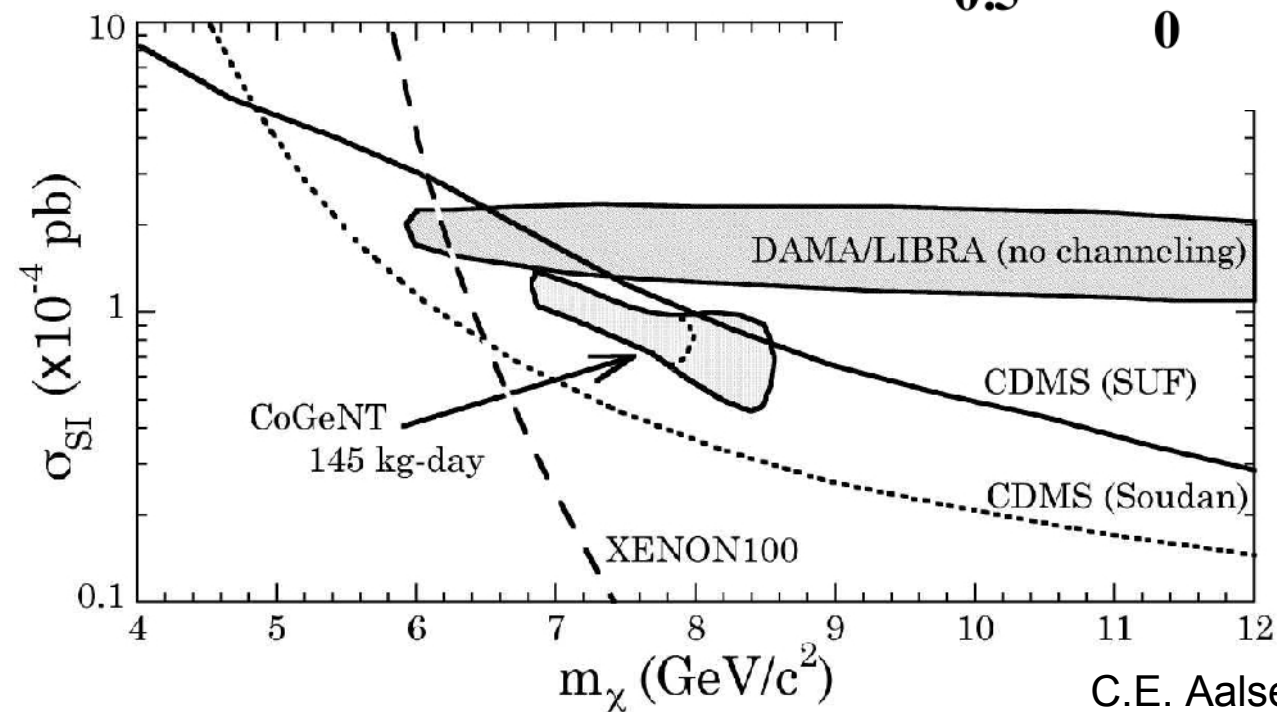
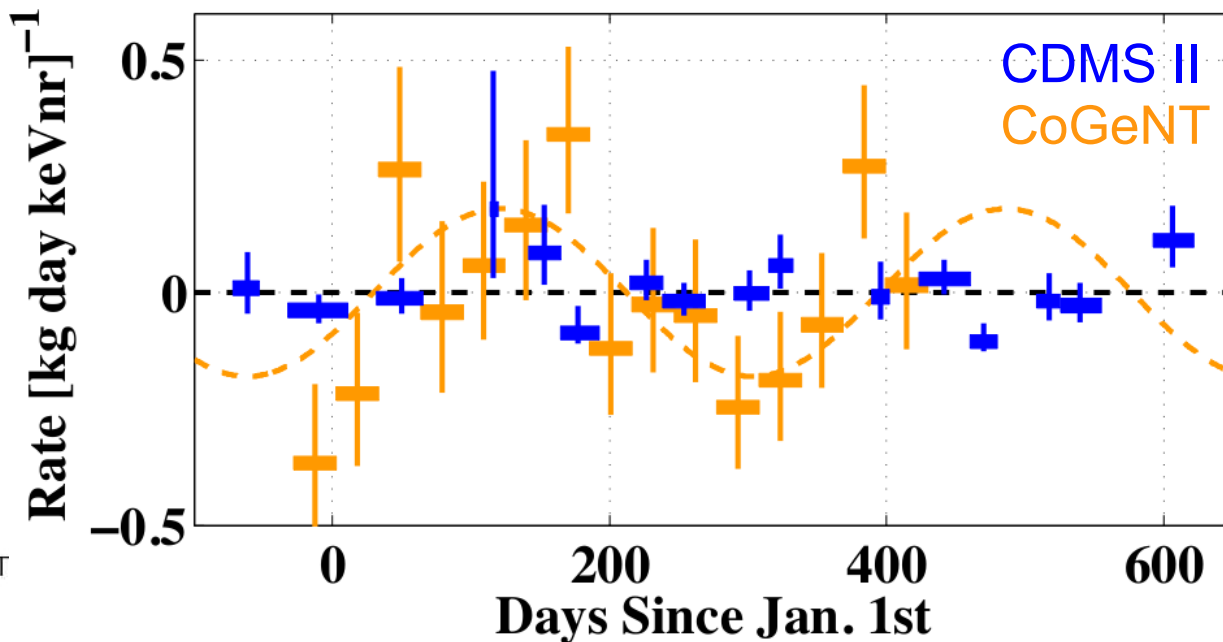




# CoGeNT at Soudan mine

## do low mass WIMPs fit with other experiments ?

Z. Ahmed et al., (CDMS II)  
arXiv:1203.1309v1

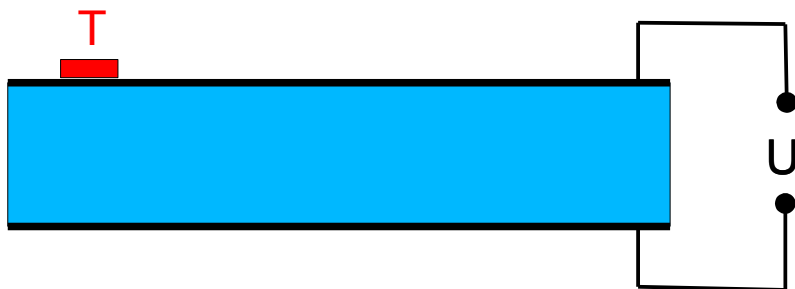


Similar to CoGeNT:  
Majorana demonstrator

C.E. Aalseth et al., arXiv:1106:0650

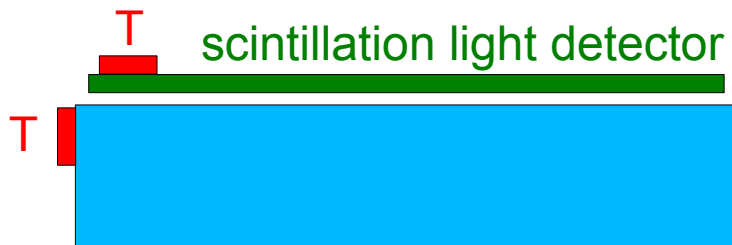
Dual read-out:

heat (thermal + athermal phonons)  
+ ionisation  
Super-CDMS, EDELWEISS, ...

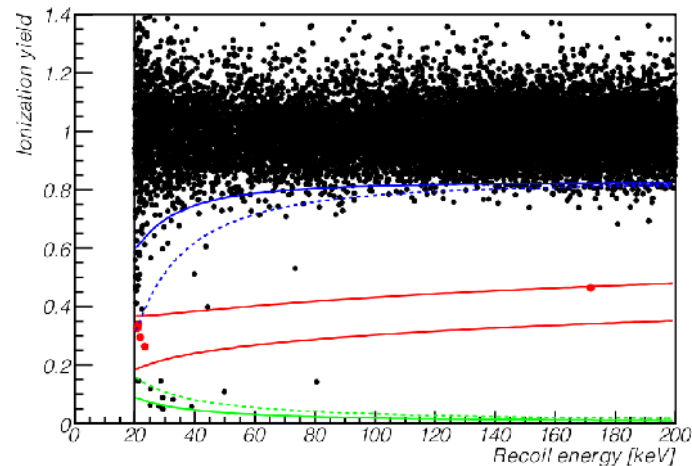


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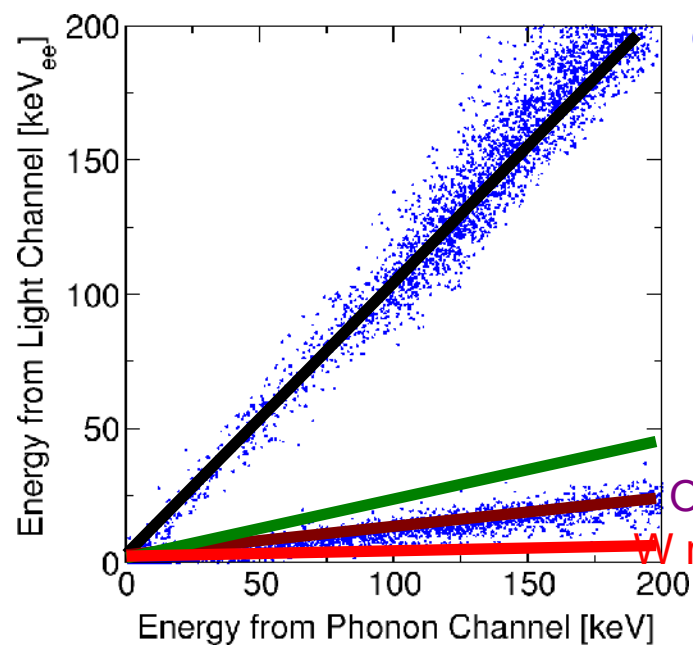
heat (thermal + athermal phonons)  
+ scintillation light  
CRESST, AMORE, ...



Nuclear recoil – electronic recoil separation:



EDELWEISS



$e, \gamma$  LY=1

CRESST

$\alpha$  LY=1/5

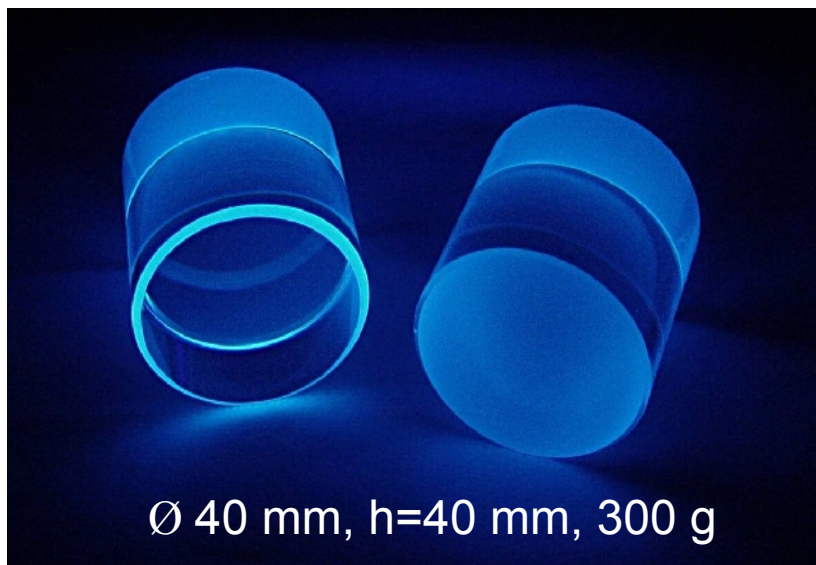
O recoils LY=1/10

W recoils LY=1/40

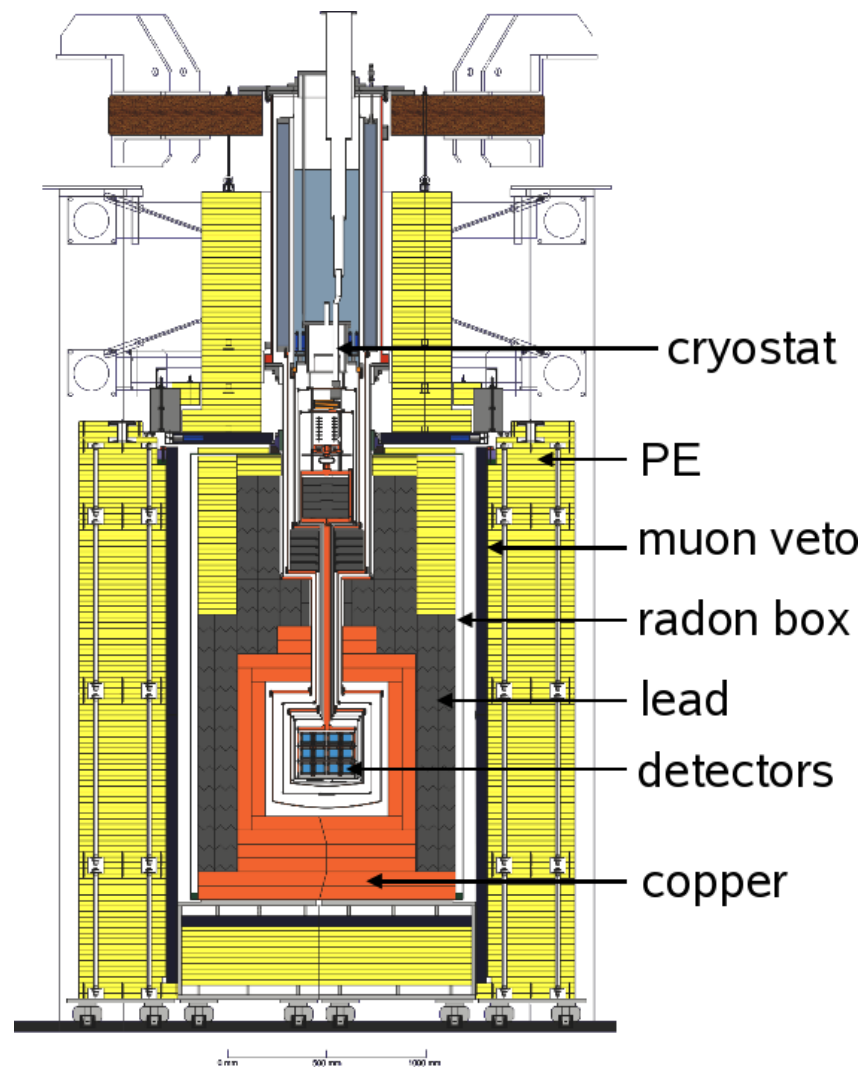
Collaboration: MPIPH Munich, TU Munich, U Tübingen, (U Oxford/UK), LNGS/Italy

located in Gran Sasso underground laboratory LNGS

Detectors: 10 cryobolometers  $\text{CaWO}_4$  of 400g  
(shielded cryostat can house 33)  
with heat (thermal phonons) and light readout



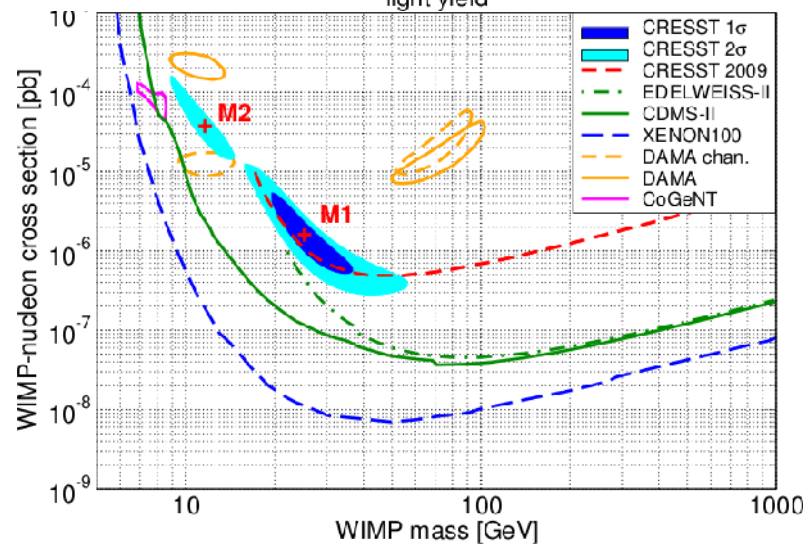
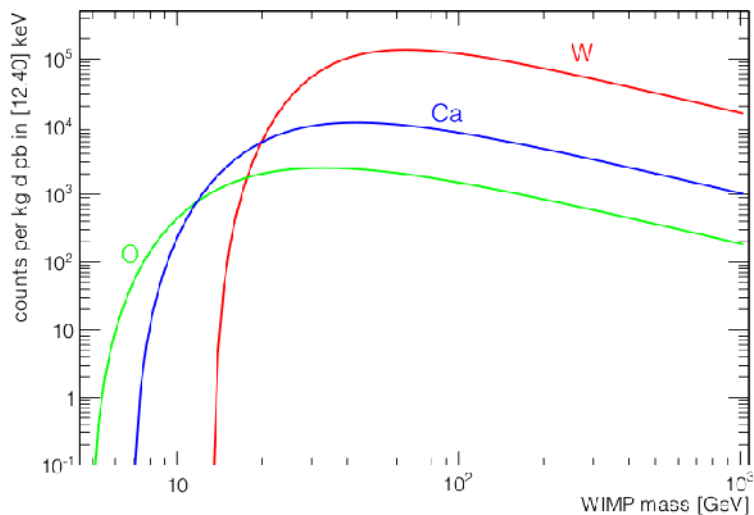
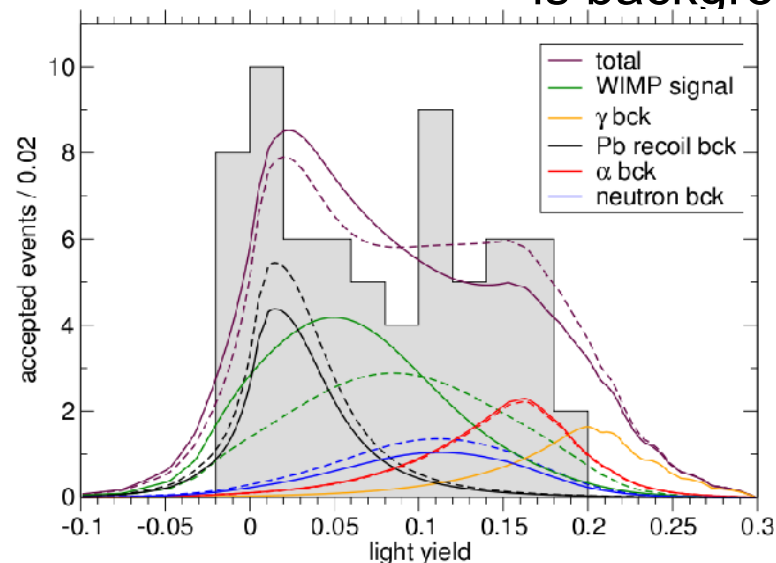
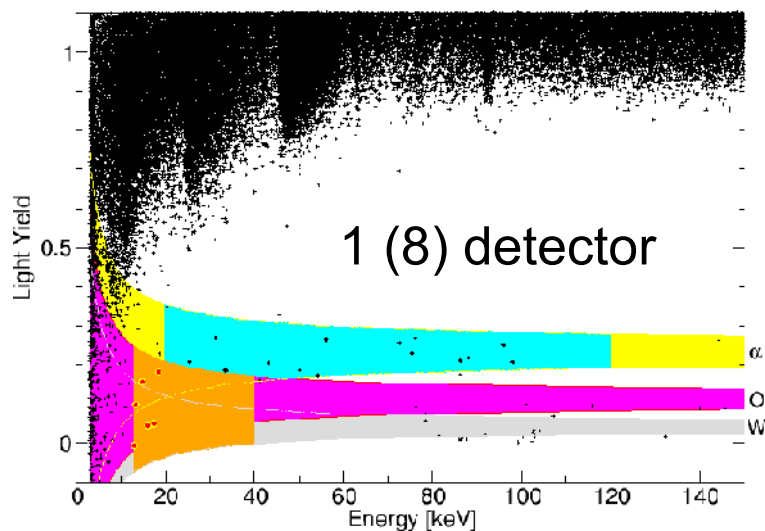
J. Schmaler, LTD Stanford, July 2009



# CRESST II – excess of events low mass WIMPs ?

8 detectors, in total 730 kg d: 67 events in signal region  
 → background is leaking into the signal region → max likelihood fit → ½ of candidates is background

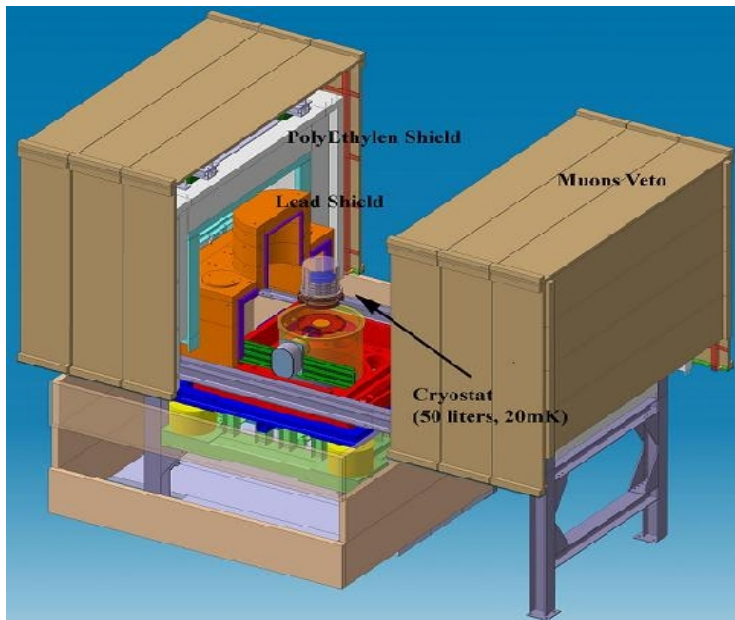
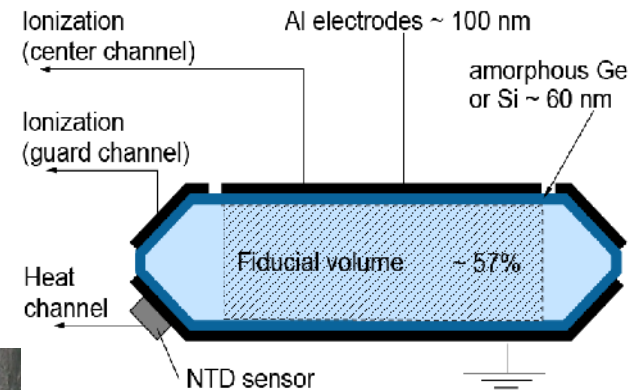
G. Angloher et al., arXiv:1109.0702



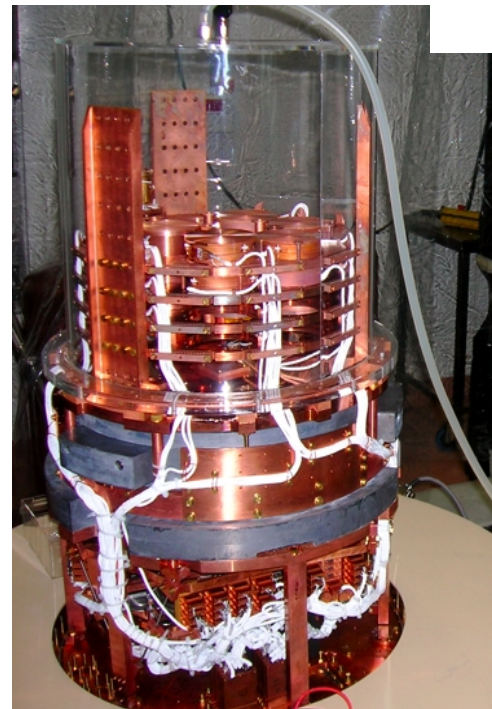
Collaboration: 5 institutions from France, JINR/Russia, U Oxford/UK, KIT

located in Modane underground laboratory LSM

Detectors: 10 cryobolometers Ge of 400g (166g fiducial)  
with heat (NTD sensor) and ionisation readout  
shielded cryostat with active  $\mu$ -veto



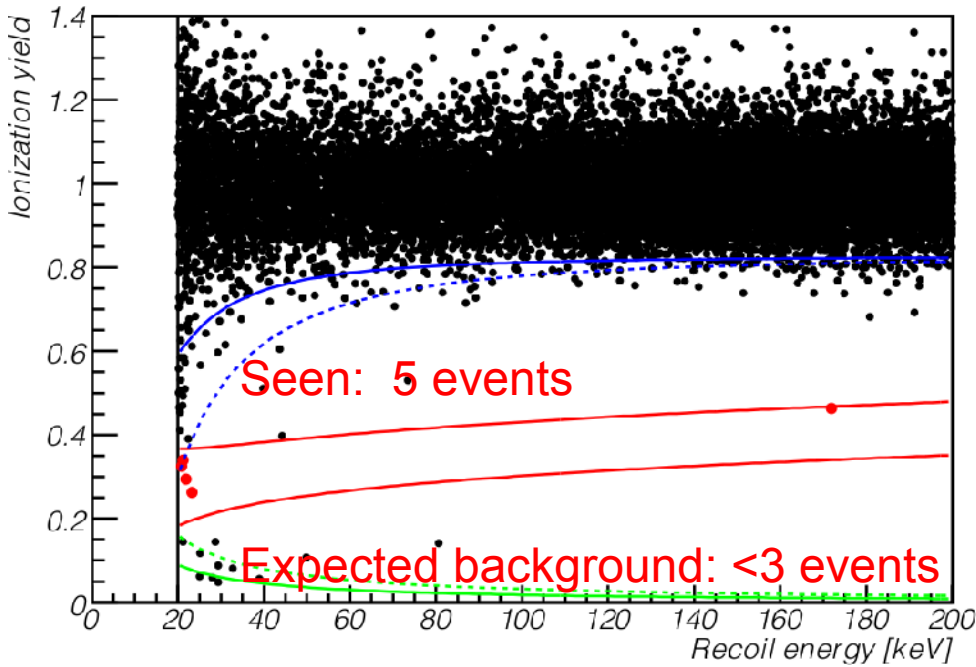
E. Armengaud, Colliquium APC, Feb 2010



Idea: measure ionization and heat: temperature rise  $\Delta T$  caused by energy release  $\Delta E$ :

$$\Delta T = \Delta E / C$$

→ require small  $C \sim (T/\Theta_D)^3$

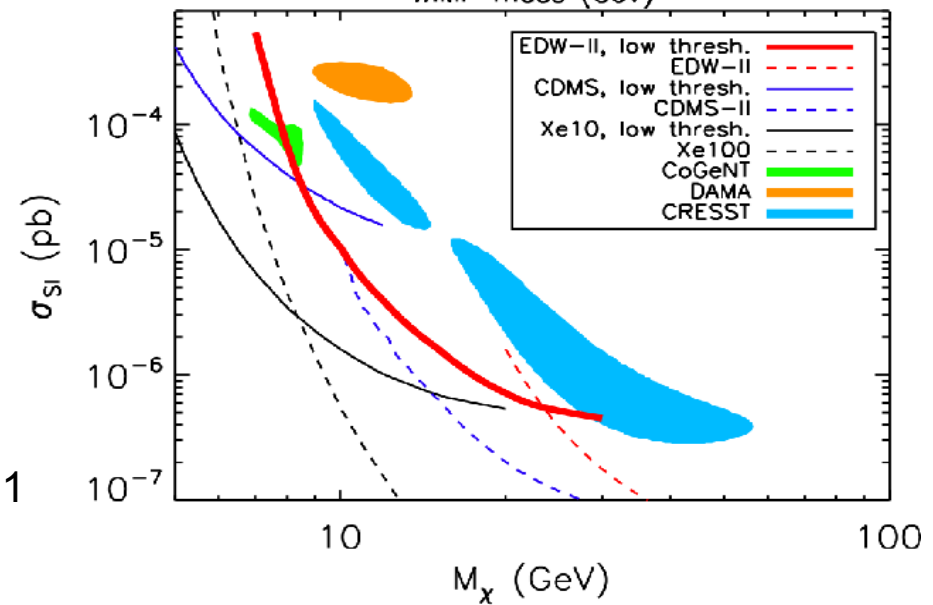
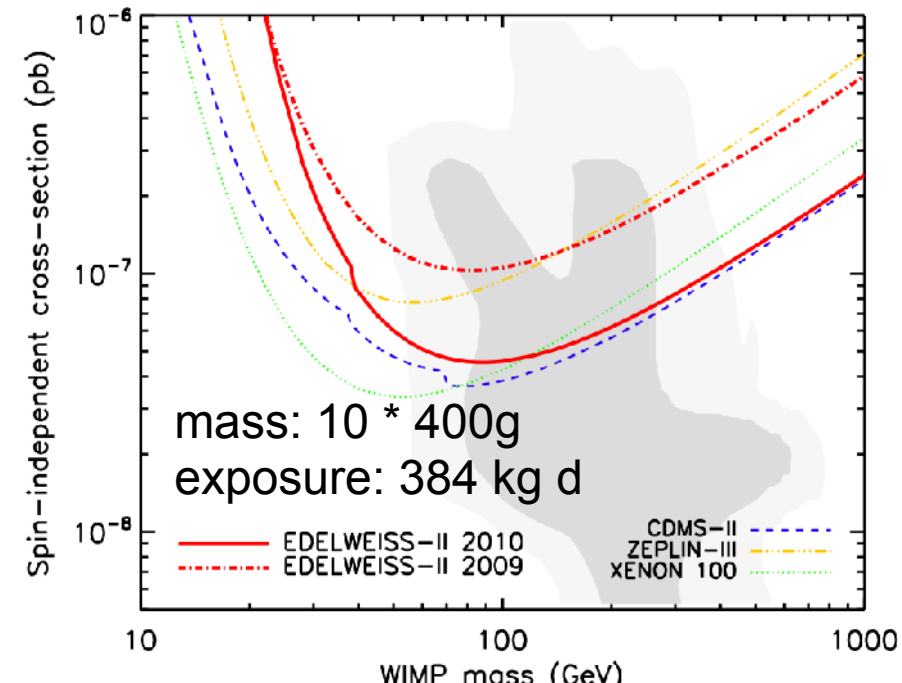


E. Armengaud et al.,  
Phys.Lett. B702 (2011) 329



**EDELWEISS II  
low threshold:**

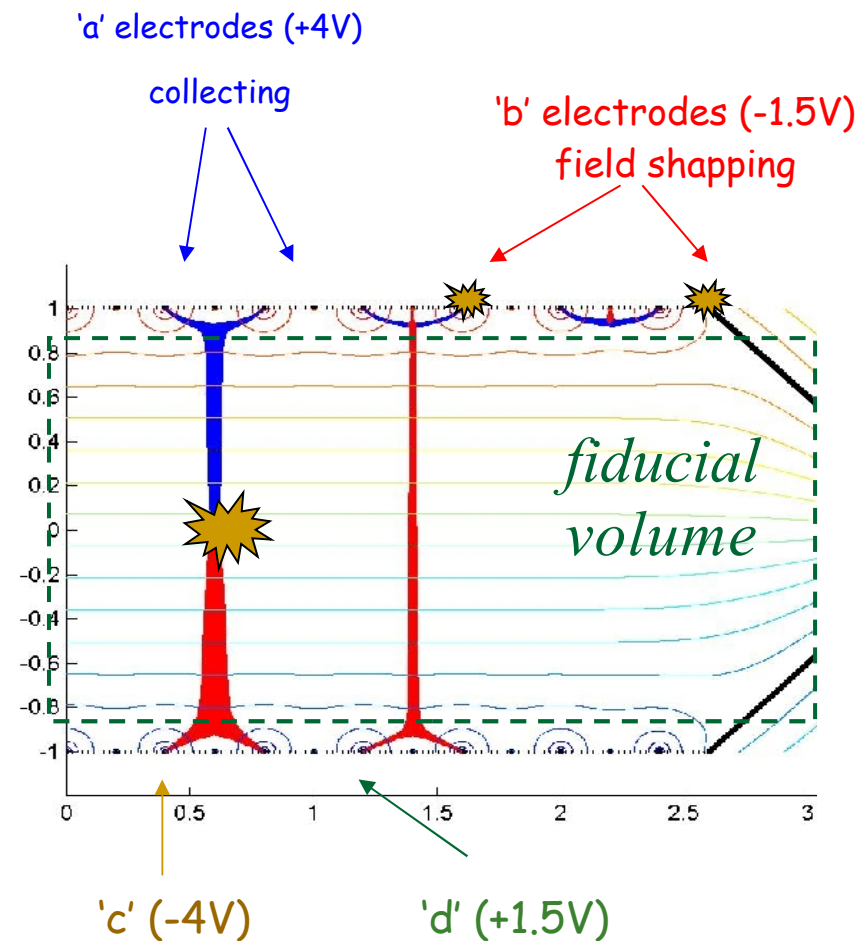
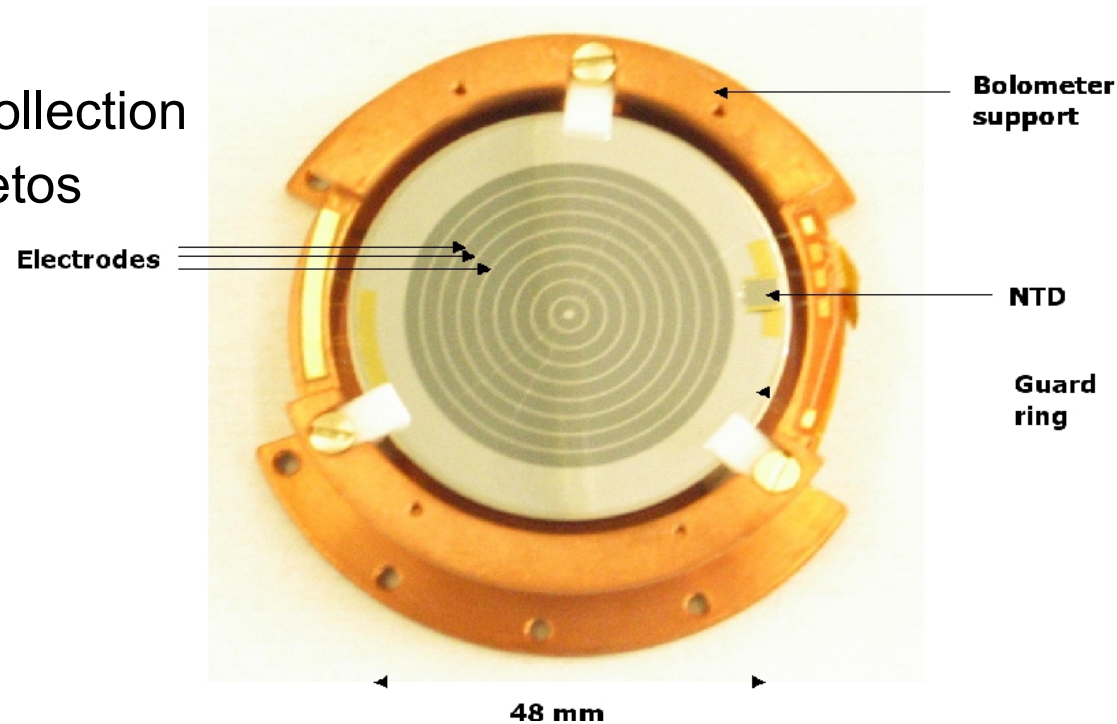
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Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 051



# Rejecting surface events with interleaved electrodes

Near surfaces:

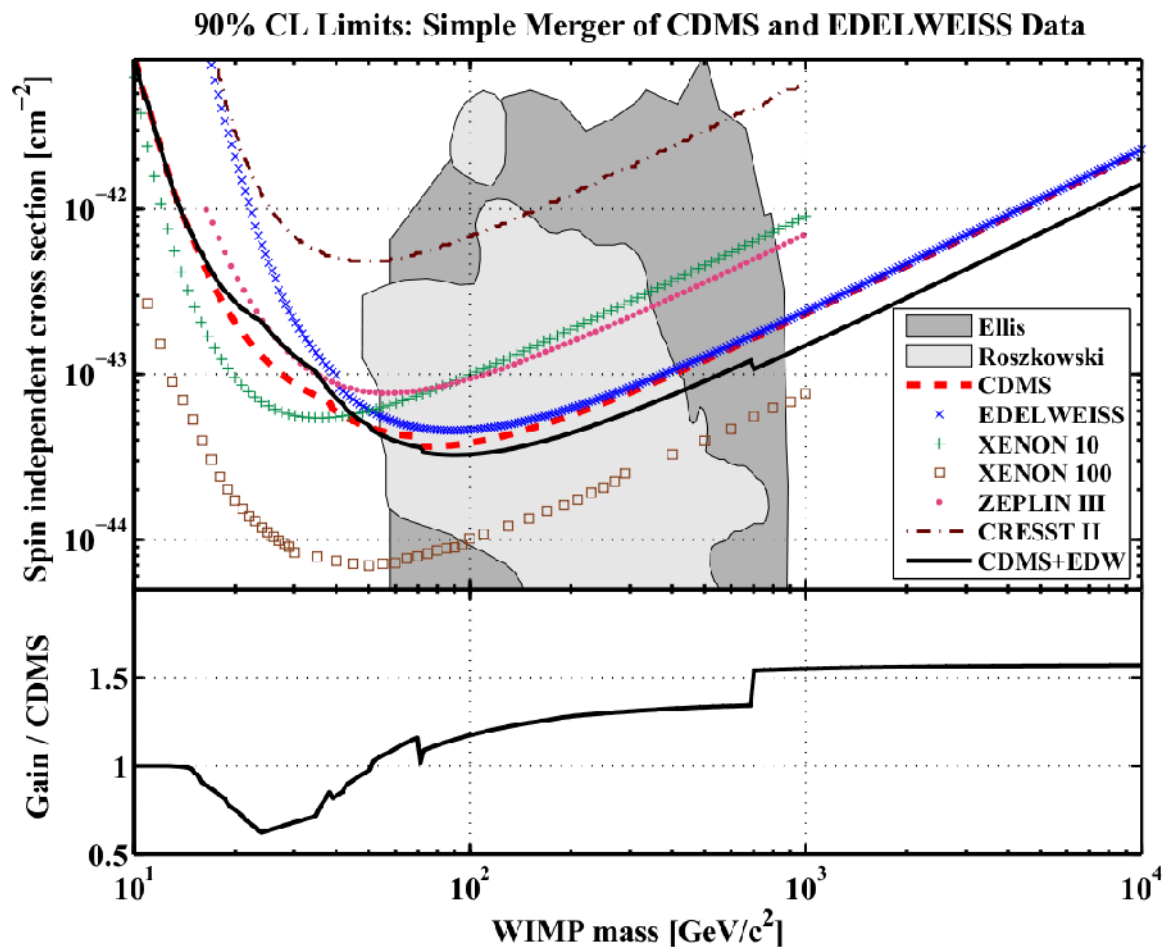
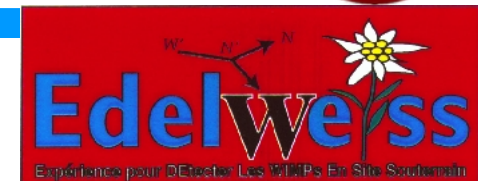
Transversal E field to suppress charge collection to other side, use 'b' and 'd' signals as vetos without changing bulk field



First detector built 2007  
1x200g + 3x400g tested in 2008  
10x400g running since beginning 2009

E. Armengaud, Colloquium APC, Feb 2010

# Common exclusion plot from CDMS and EDELWEISS



Z. Ahmed et al., Phys.Rev. D84 (2011) 011102

**EDELWEISS 3:** 14 FIDs in February 2013  
40 FIDs in summer/autumn 2013  
→ 3000 kg days in winter 2013/14



located in Soudan underground mine

15 iZIP-detectors, 10 kg in total:  
differentiate bulk signal from surface bg  
170 live days collected  
aim: sensitivity  $\sigma_{SI} = 2 \cdot 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$

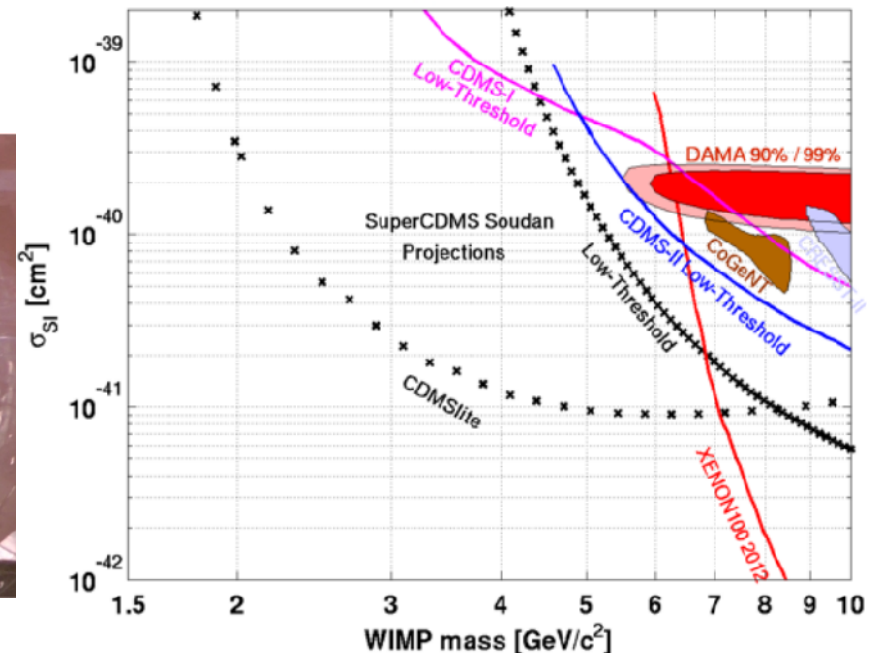
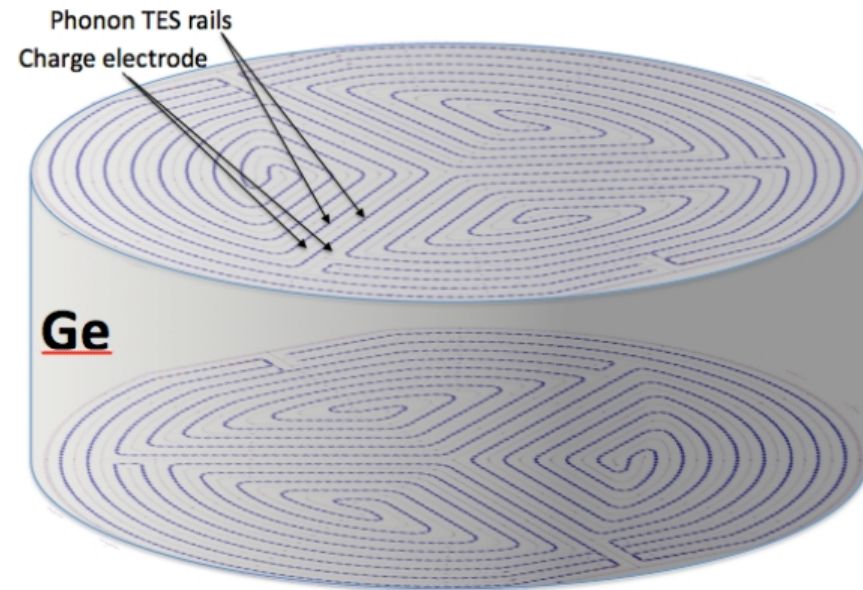
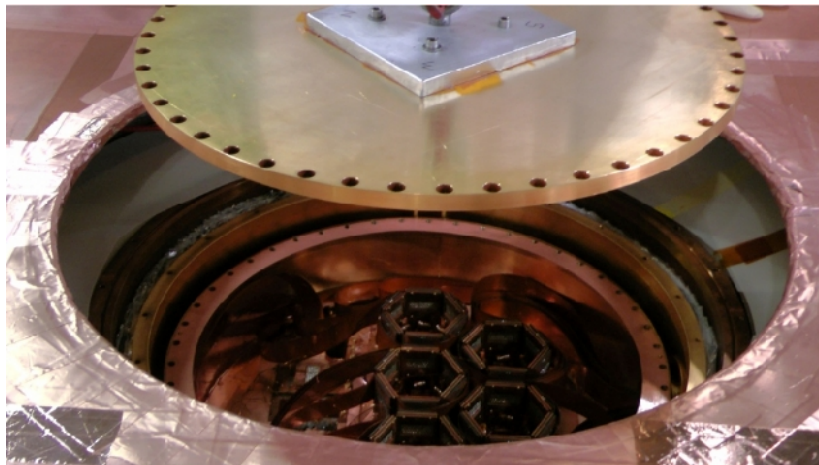
New technology for very low mass WIMPs:

Neganov-Luke-amplification:  
phonon due to charge propagation

Future plans:

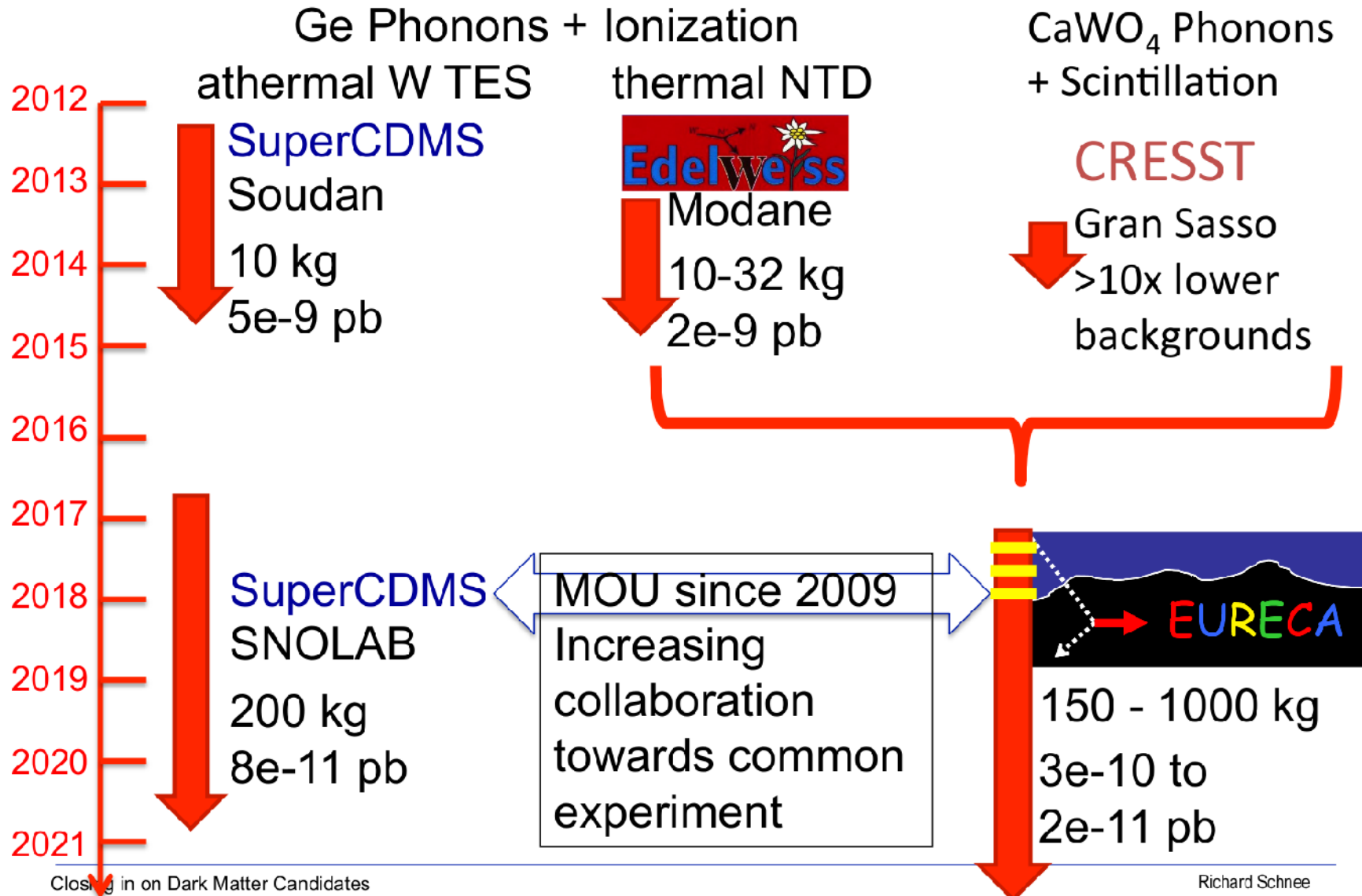
200 kg in  
SNOLab

$\sigma_{SI} = 8 \cdot 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$



# Future of cryo-bolometers in direct dark matter search

## Phonons and Ionization or Scintillation



# Liquid noble gas detectors

	Liquid density (g/cc)	Boiling point at 1 bar (K)	Electron mobility (cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs)	Scintillation wavelength (nm)	Scintillation yield (photons/MeV)	Long-lived radioactive isotopes	Triplet molecule lifetime (μs)
LHe	0.145	4.2	low	80	19,000	none	13,000,000
LNe	1.2	27.1	low	78	30,000	none	15
LAr	1.4	87.3	400	125	40,000	<sup>39</sup> Ar, <sup>42</sup> Ar	1.6
LKr	2.4	120	1200	150	25,000	<sup>81</sup> Kr, <sup>85</sup> Kr	0.09
LXe	3.0	165	2200	175	42,000	<sup>136</sup> Xe 2 · 10 <sup>21</sup> y	0.03

## Scintillation by forming excited dimers

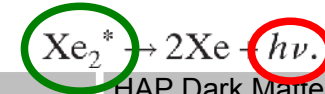
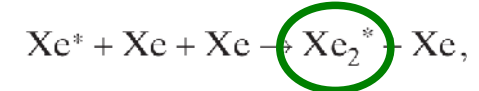
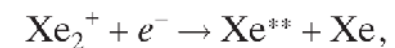
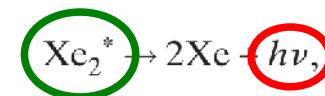
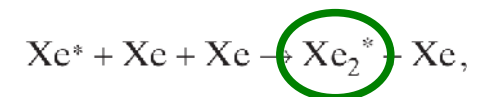
→ noble gas is transparent for scintillation light

Different live times of singlet and triplet states

→ discrimination between nuclear recoil and electron recoil possible for Argon detectors

Charge vs light (charge quenching)

→ discrimination between nuclear recoil and electron recoil possible



Heavy nucleus ( $A \sim 131$ ):

- good for spin-independent interaction (coherent scattering off all nucleons)
- SD sensitivity too ( $\sim 50\%$  odd isotopes)

High nuclear charge ( $Z=54$ )

- very good self-shielding

Ultraclean material

- liquid noble gases are among the most clean materials
- no long-lived isotope except  $^{136}\text{Xe}$ :  $t_{1/2} = 2 \cdot 10^{21}$  yr, 8.9% nat. abund.

Very high charge & light yield:

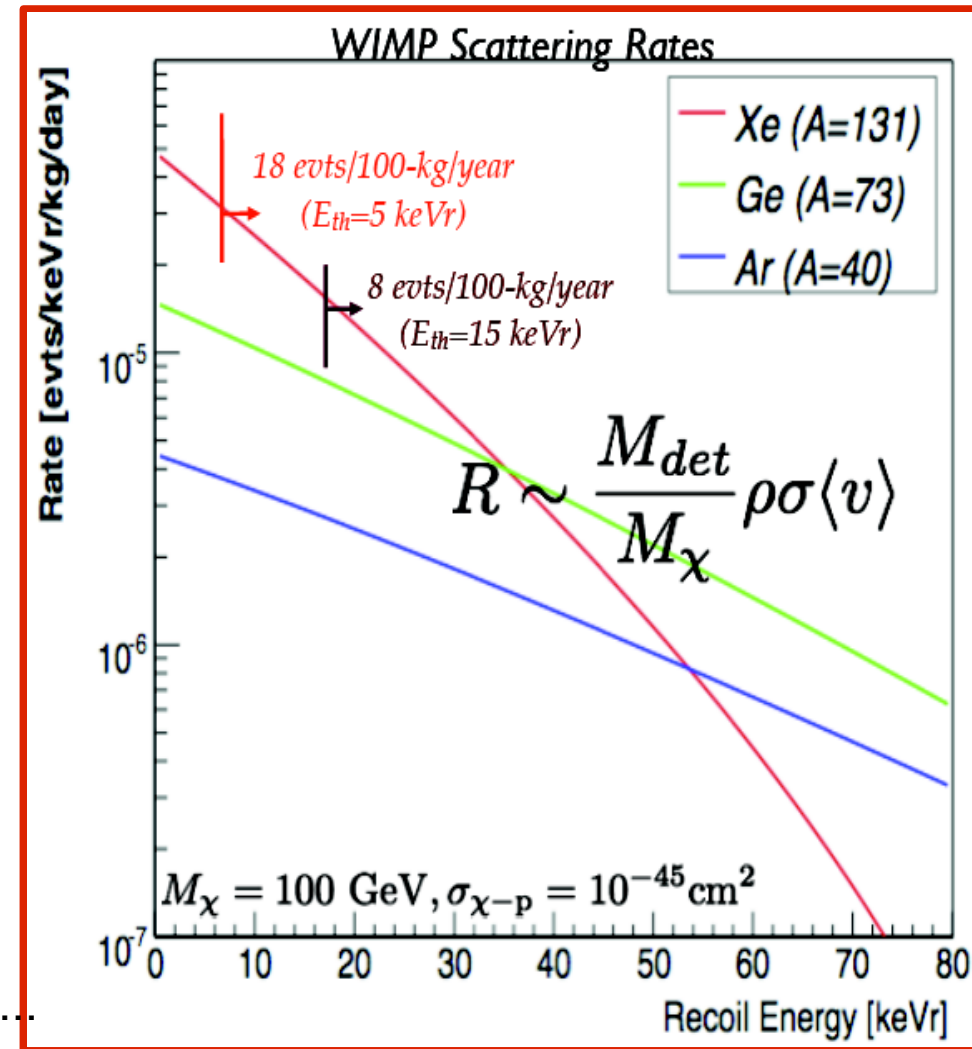
- 42,000  $\gamma$  / MeV at 178nm (PMTs exist)

Proven XENON technology with

- high efficiency & low energy threshold,
- background rejection methods, fiducialisation, ...

Moderate cost ( $< 1\text{k}\$/\text{kg}$ ),

- effort scales with surface not volume



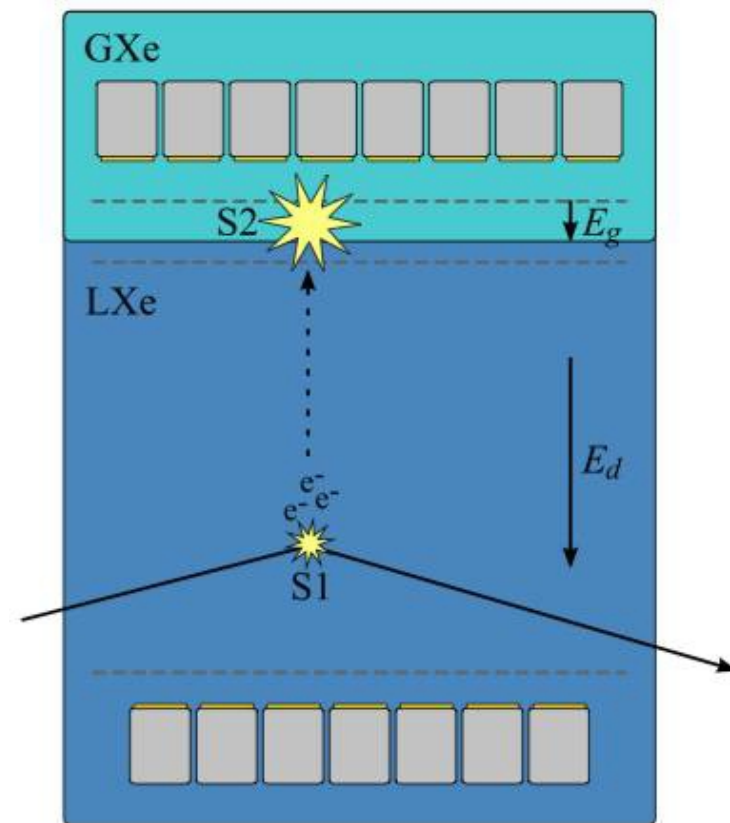
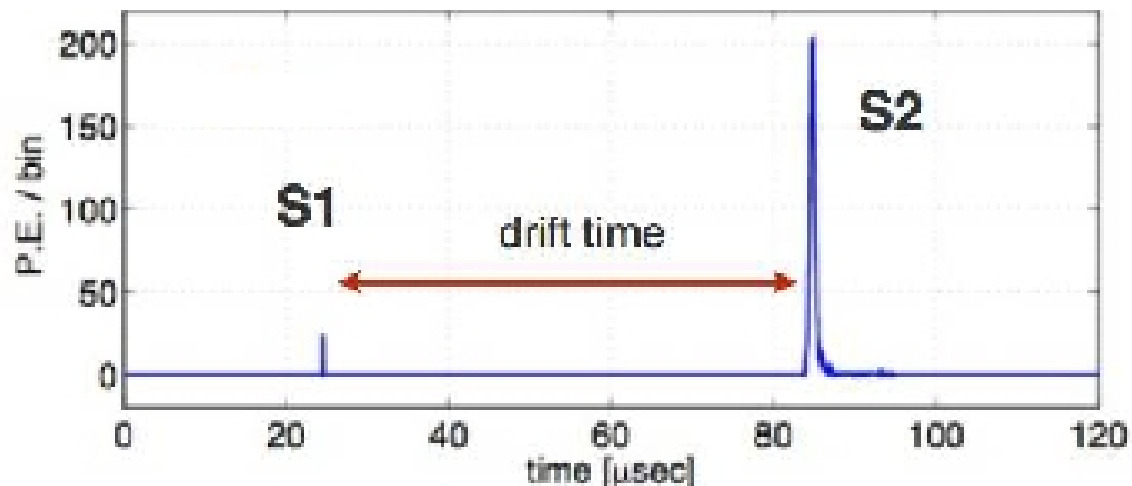
(for details see E. Aprile, T. Doke, Rev. Mod. Phys. 82 (2010) 2053)

# XENON technology: basic principle

Detector: liquid xenon time projection chamber (-91 °C)  
in passive shield ( $\gamma$  and neutron shield)

WIMP interaction

- ⇒ prompt scintillating light S1
- electrons drifted into gas phase
  - by drift field in LXe (0.5-1 kV/cm)
- ⇒ proportional light (S2) by electro-luminescence in GXE (10kV/cm)

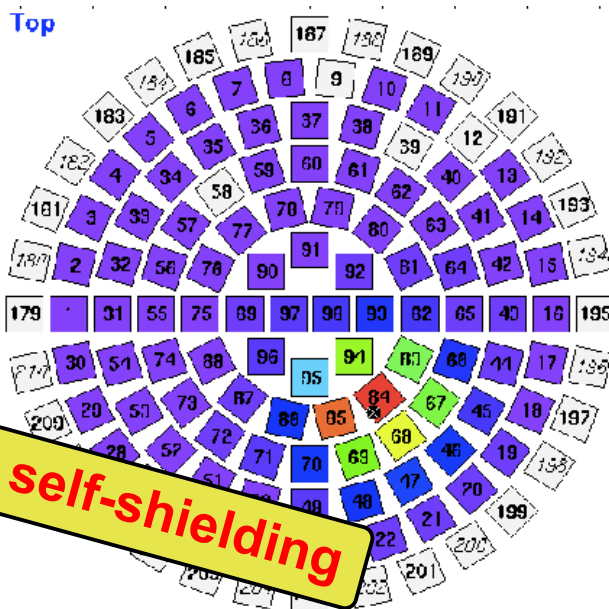
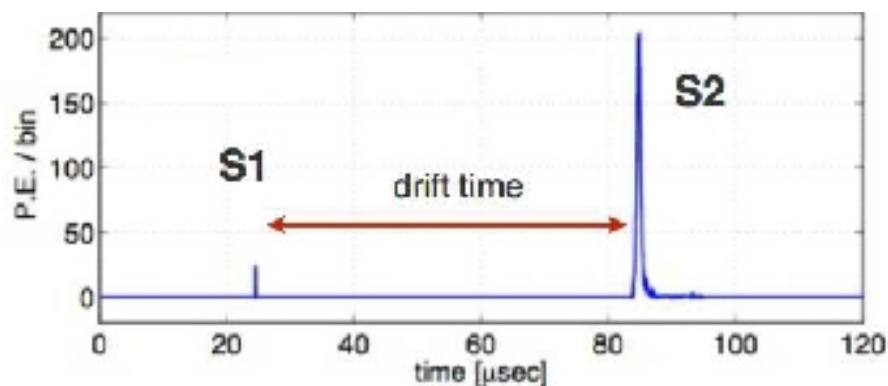


# XENON technology: position reconstruction

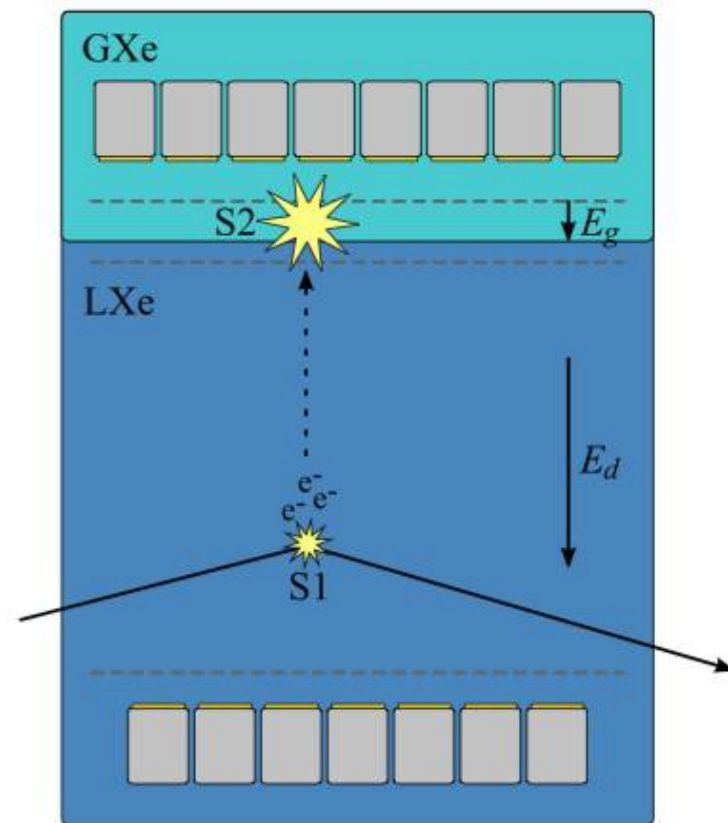
Drift time of charge to liquid / gas interface =  $Dt(S1-S2)$ :

in LXe: 0.53 kV/cm:  $v_d = 1.7 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$

→ vertical position precision:  $\Delta z = 0.3 \text{ mm}$



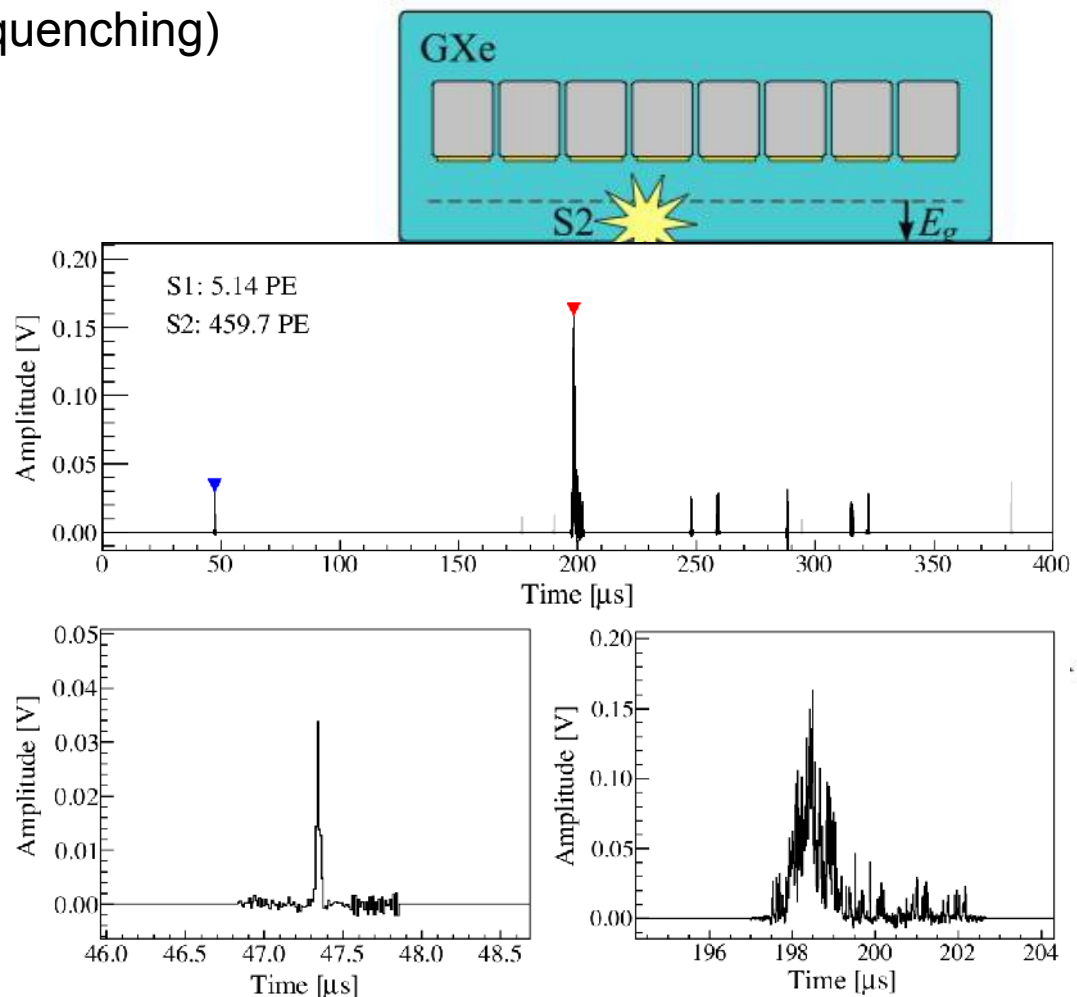
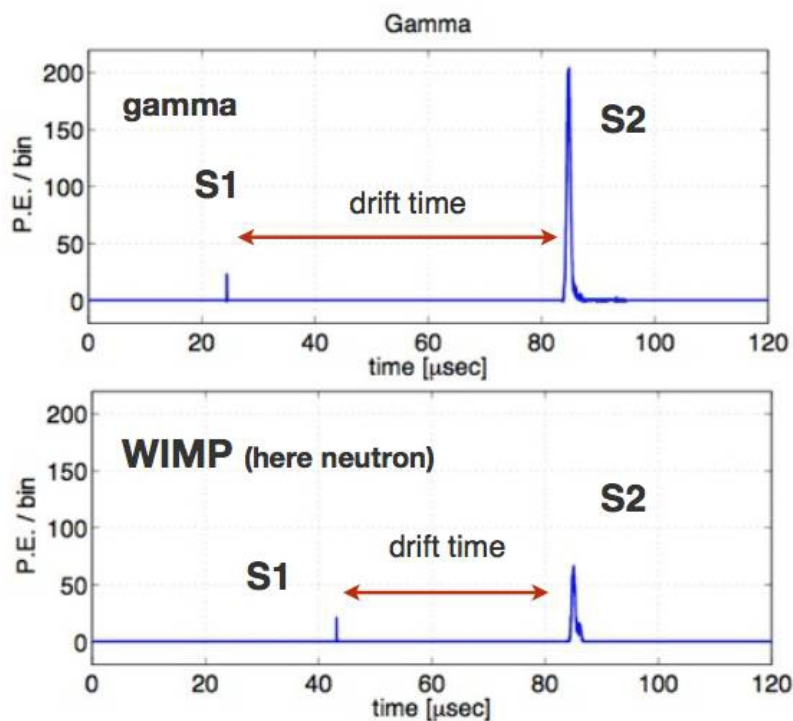
⇒ fiducialisation & self-shielding



Electroluminescence in GXe

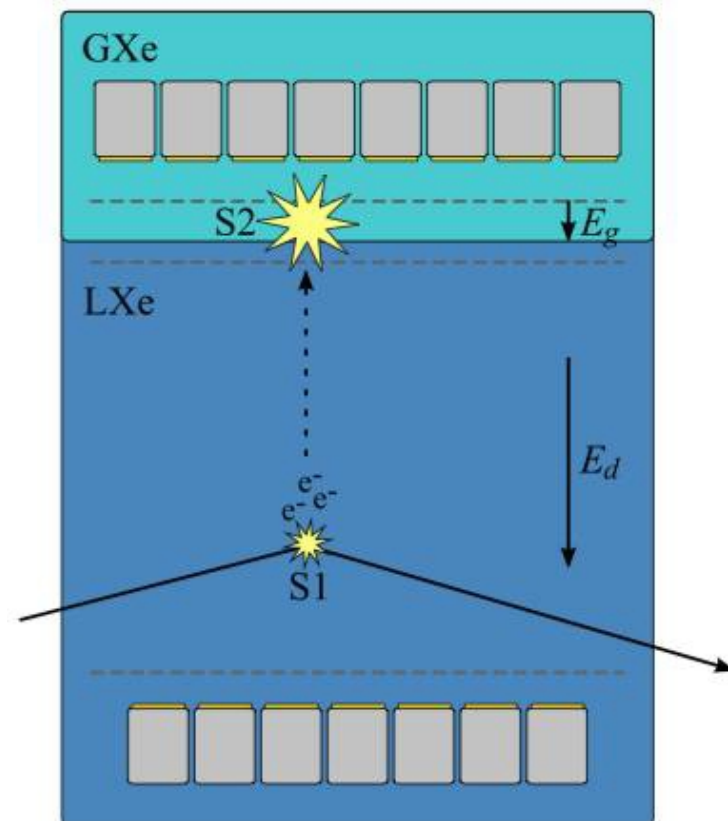
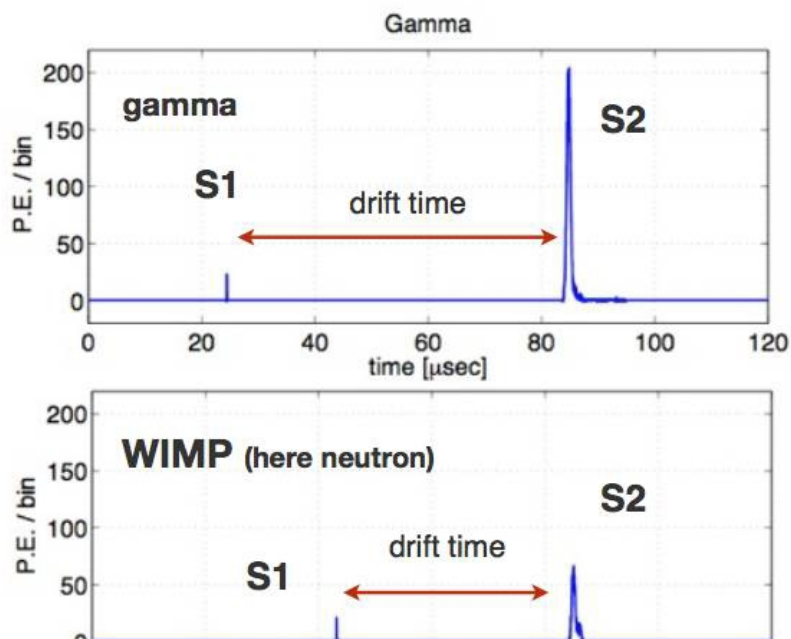
→ light pattern on top PMT array provides horizontal position with  $\Delta x = 3 \text{ mm} = \Delta y$  precision

Distinguish nuclear recoil (WIMP,  $n \rightarrow$  charge quenching)  
from electronic recoil (background)  
using S2/S1 ratio



$\Rightarrow$  **99.5% background rejection at 50% nuclear recoil acceptance**

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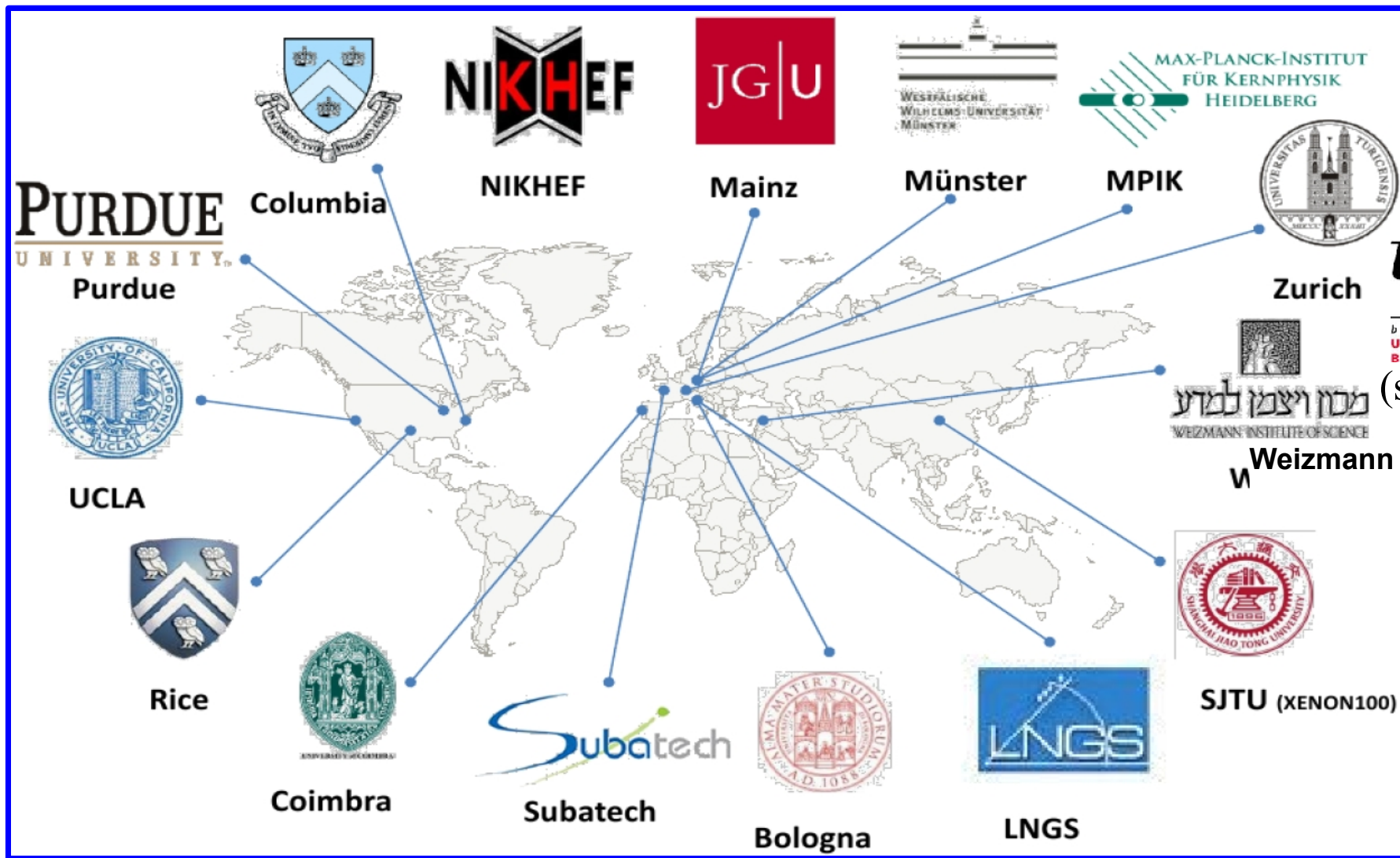


**Challenges:** ultra-pure LXe (<1ppb  $O_2$ )  
efficient charge extraction  
high E-field (0.5-1kV/cm in LXe, 10kV/cm in GXe)  
efficient light collection @178nm





# The XENON collaboration



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(since 1.1.13)

## TPC:

161 kg two phase GXe & LXe TPC

TPC: 30.5 cm diameter

30.6 cm height

→ 62 kg active target

99 kg LXe veto (> 4 cm)

98 + 80 (+64) 1" x 1" R8520-AL PMTs

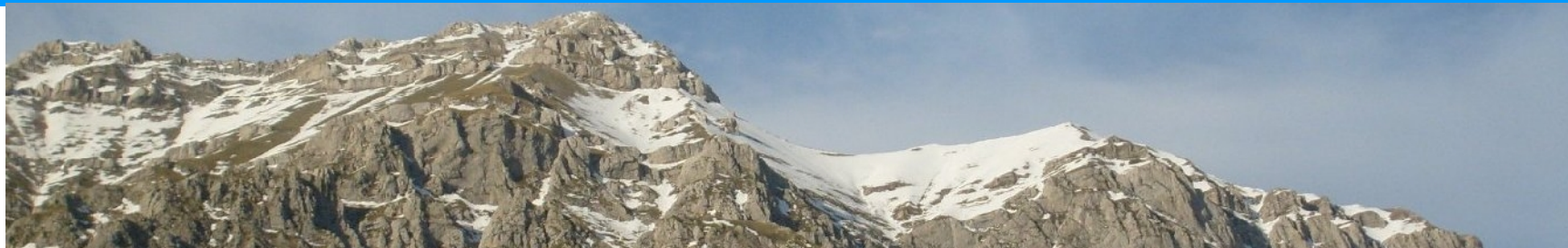
Xe purified by distillation to  $\approx 20$  ppt Kr



E. Aprile et al., *Astropart. Phys.* 35 (2012) 573

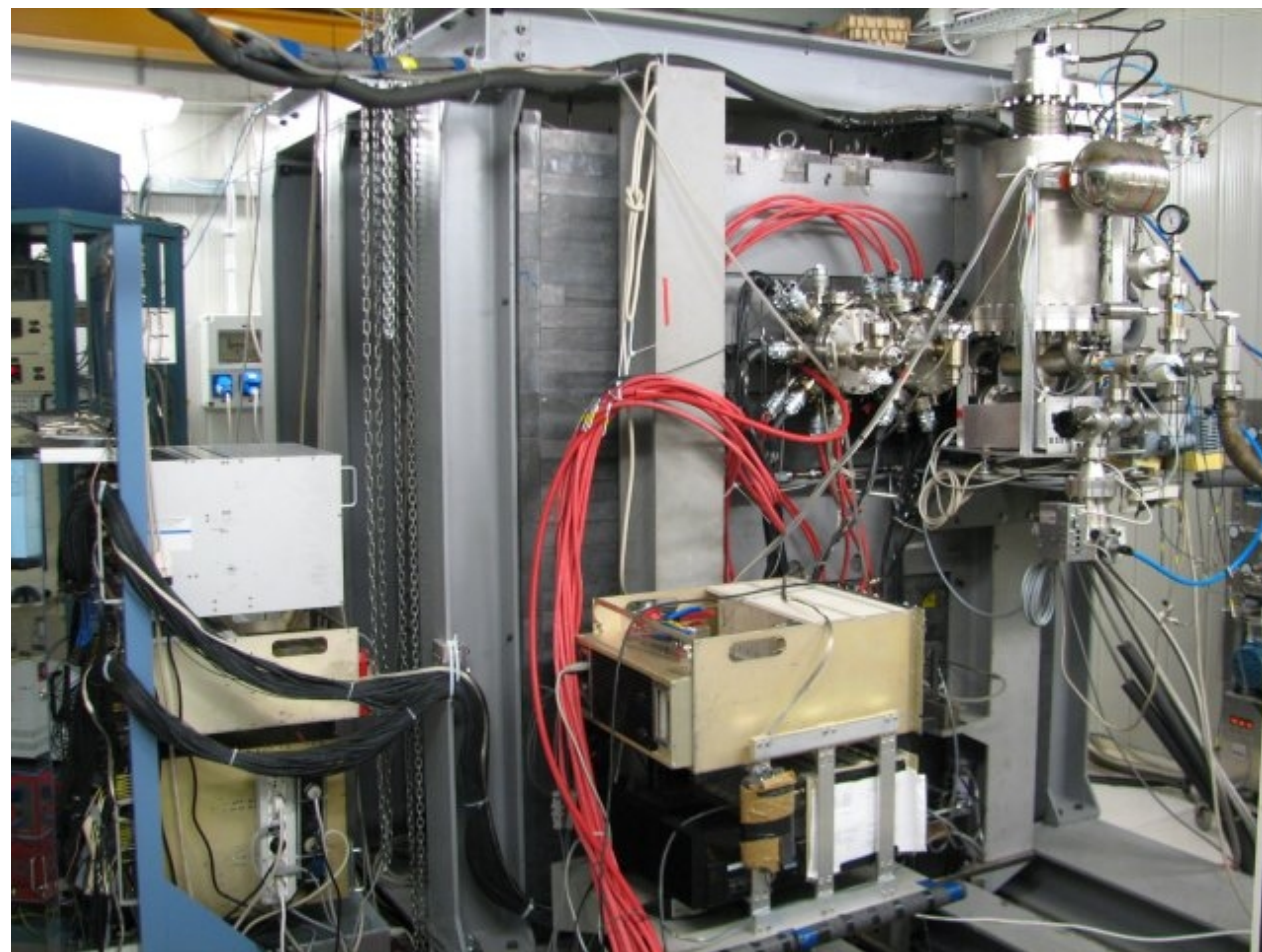


# XENON100 @ LNGS



LNGS: 1.4km rock  
(3700 mwe)

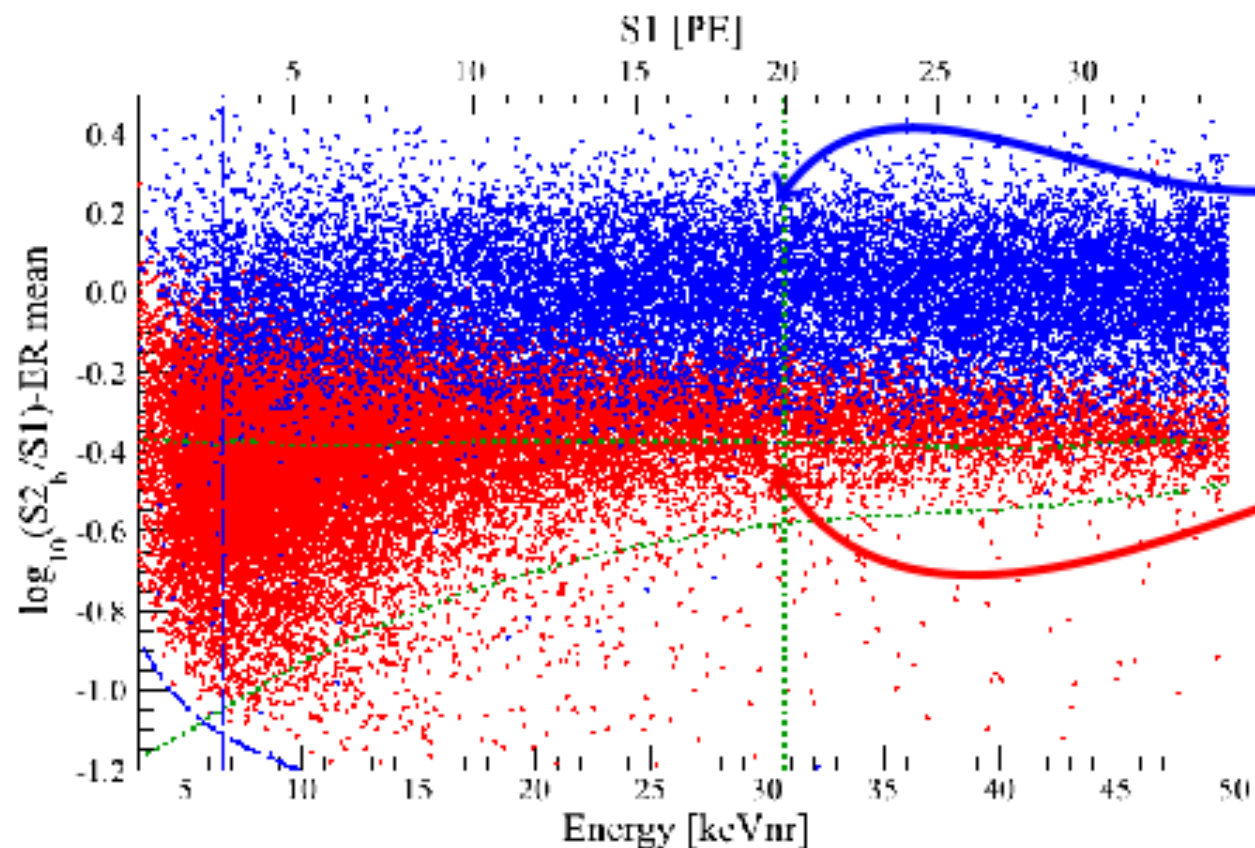
passive shield: H<sub>2</sub>O, lead, polyethylene, copper



# Calibration

## nuclear recoils versus electron recoils

~1% accuracy of S1,S2 position corrections using various  $\gamma$  lines.



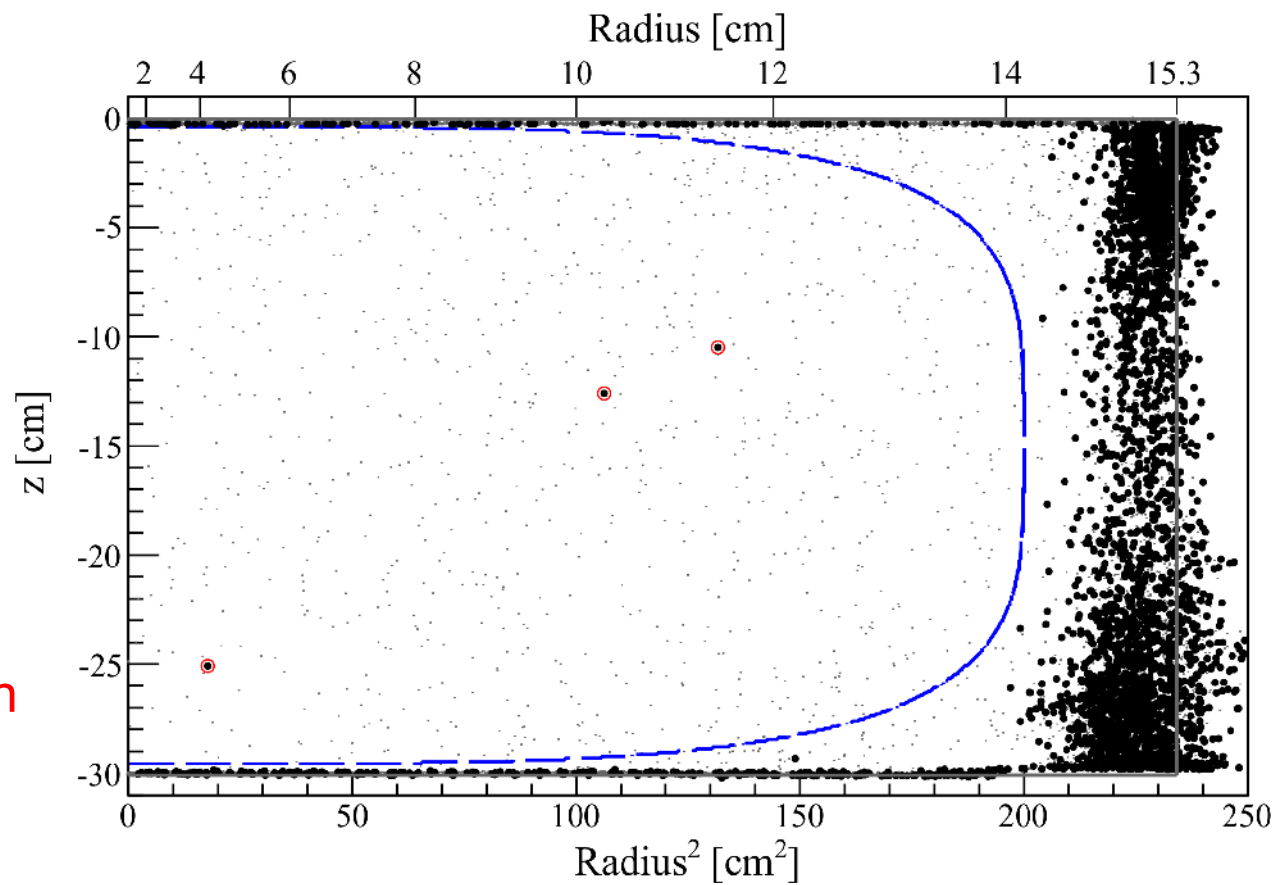
ER calibration data  
 $^{60}\text{Co}$  and new  $^{232}\text{Th}$  source  
 35 $\times$  science data  
 NR calibration data  
 AmBe source  
 beginning and end of run

~99.5% ER rejection @ 50% NR acceptance

E. Pantic, Aspen 2013



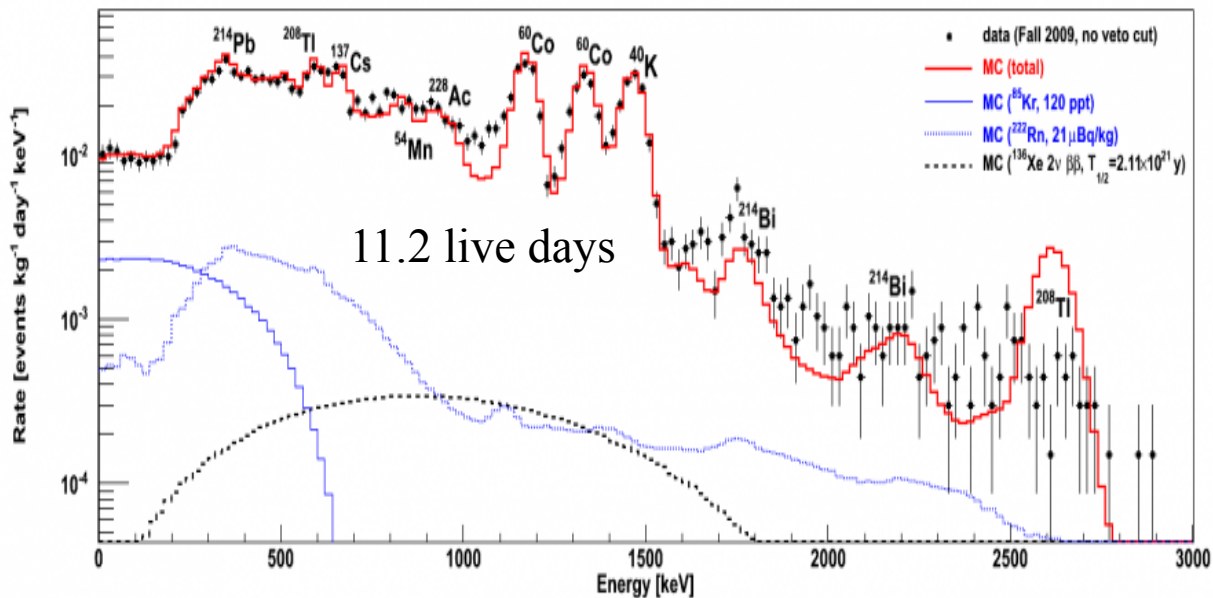
# XENON100 run 8: 100d data of 2010



3 events in benchmark region  
1.8 +/- 0.6 events expected

⇒ fiducialisation & self-shielding is working

# XENON100 Dark Matter run 10: Improved background at low energies

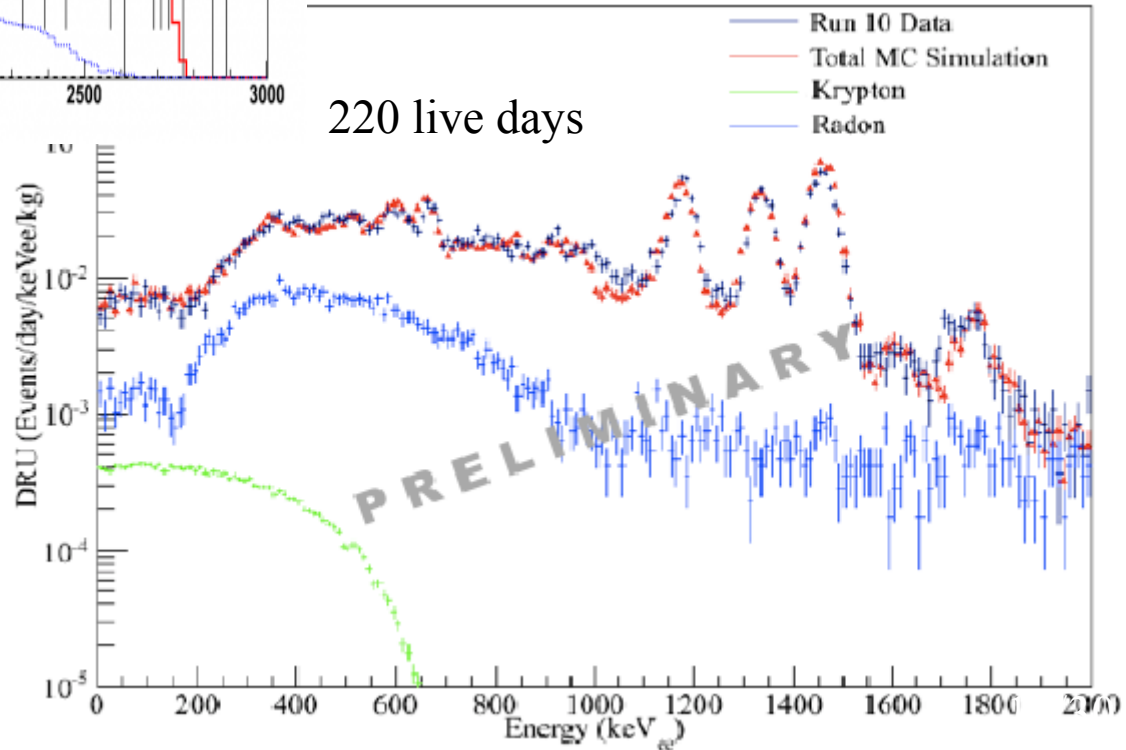


Excellent agreement  
No fine tuning required  
Radioactivities taken from  
measurements

E. Aprile et al. Phys.Rev.D83 (2011) 082001

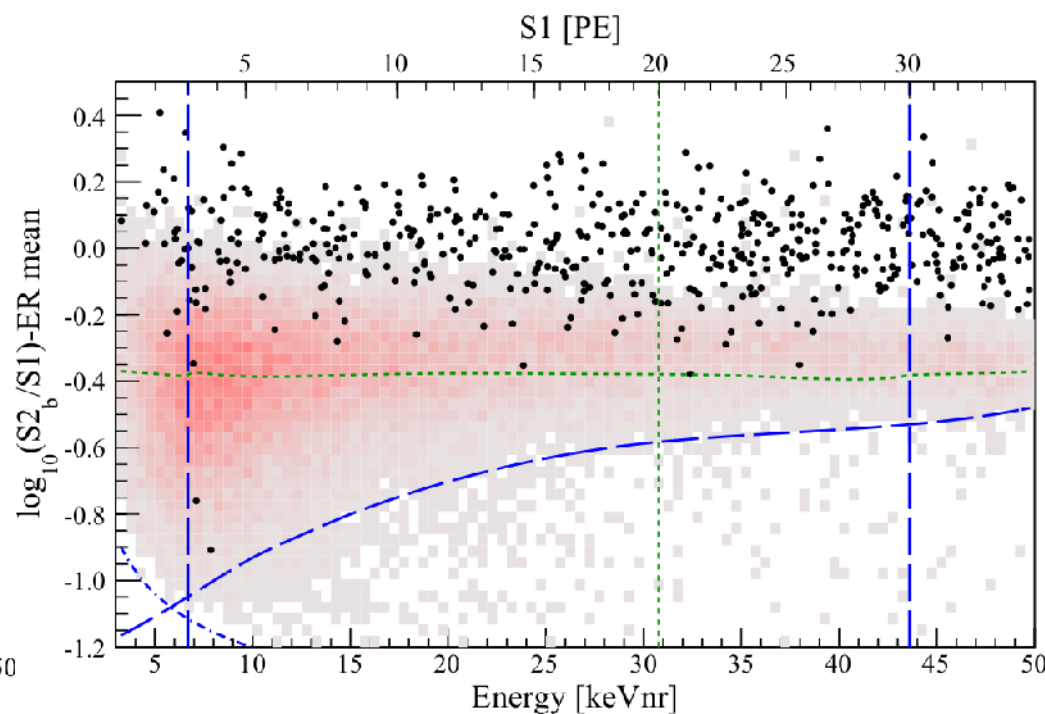
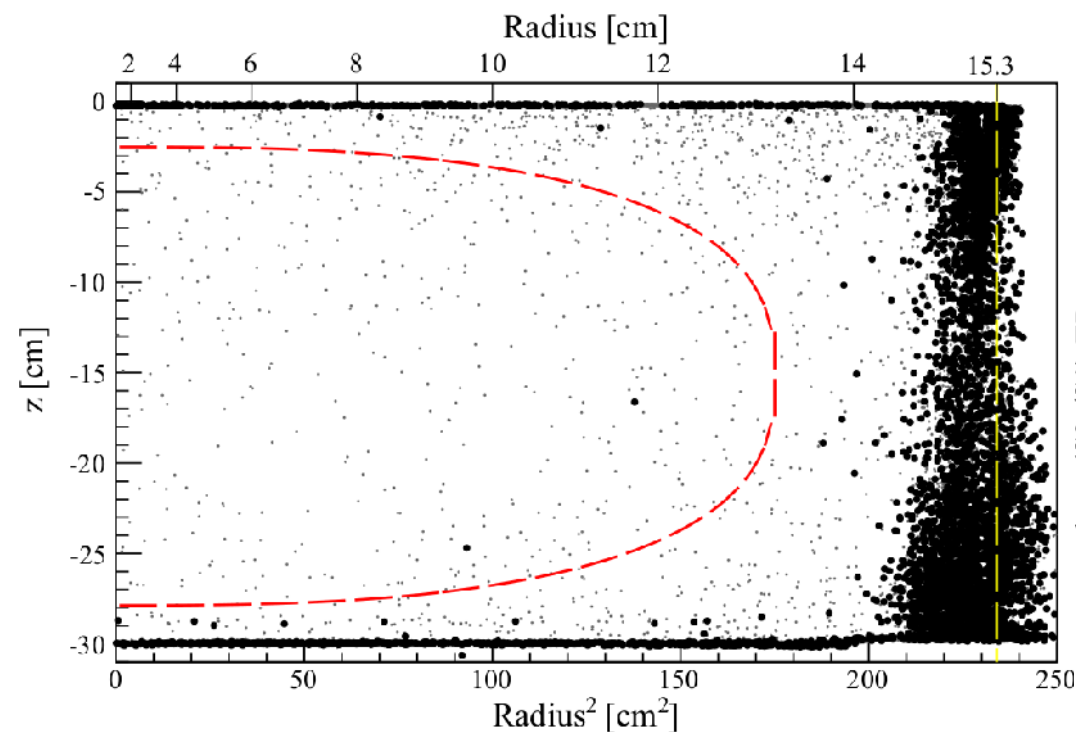
Rate below 100 keV significantly  
reduced

Kr reduced to  $19 \pm 1$  ppt in run10  
as measured by  
rare gas mass spectrometry



220 live days

E. Aprile et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 109 (2012) 181301



**blind analysis, use 34 kg fiducial mass**  
**cut-based analysis:**  
**expected background: 1 event, measured: 2 events**  
**→ statistical consistent with no signal**  
**→ no dark matter found, only upper limit**

# XENON100 run 10: 225d data of 2011/2012

E. Aprile et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 109 (2012) 181301

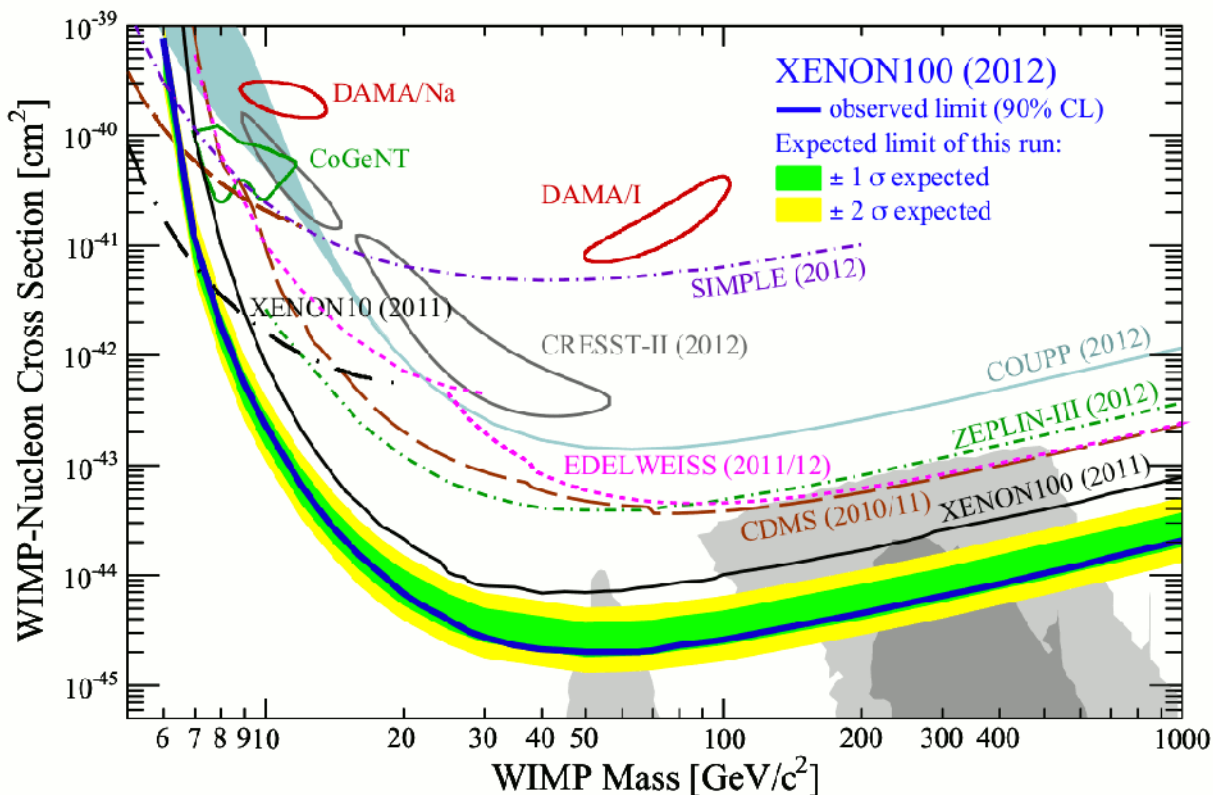
## Profile Likelihood Analysis:

- all observed events
- full energy information, no discrimination
- incorporate calibration informations
- include systematic uncertainties ( $v_{\text{esc}}$ ,  $L_{\text{eff}}$ , ...)
- method makes smooth transition between rejection/discovery

→ calculate only one true 90%CL limit

Details of the profile likelihood analysis:

E. Aprile et al.,  
Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) 052003



**World's best sensitivity on WIMPs  
but nothing found yet !**

**disfavours DAMA & CoGeNT (& CRESST) possible signal regions  
(also IDM@DAMA ruled out, E. Aprile et al, Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) 061101)**



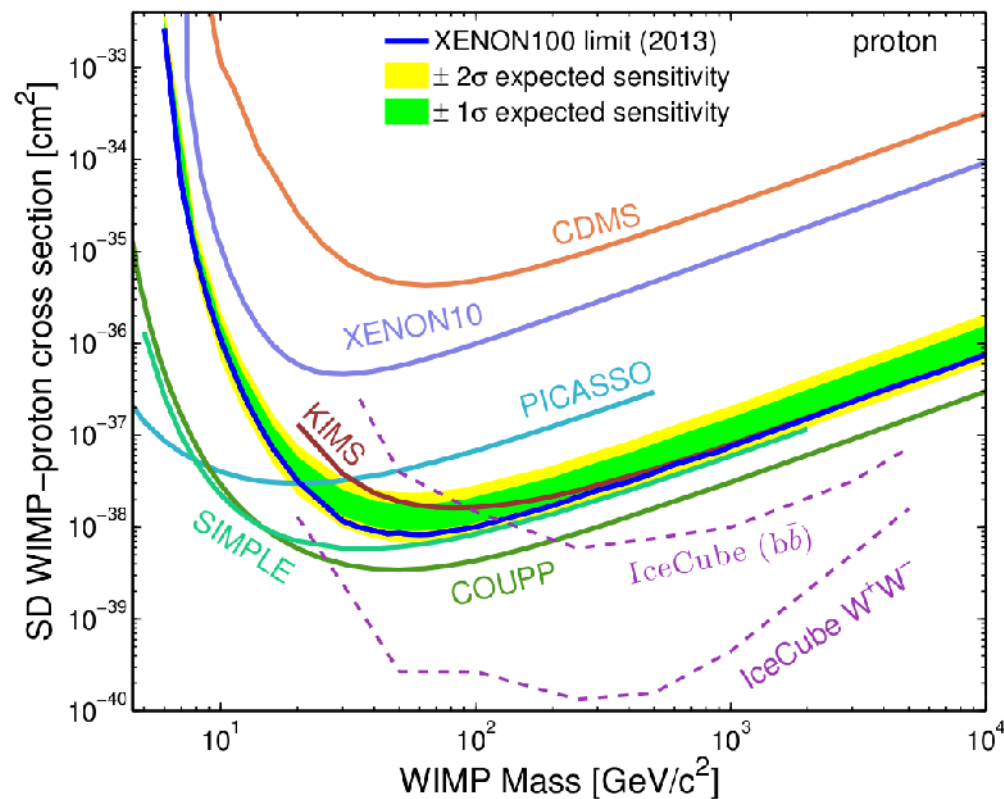
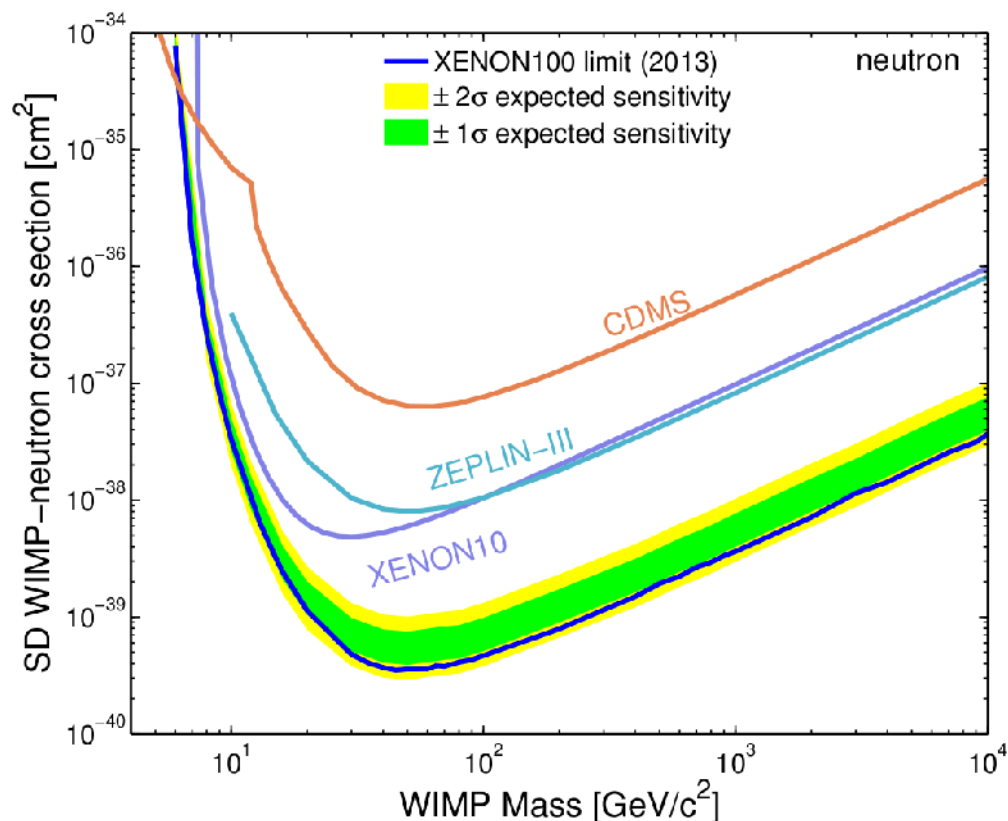
# XENON100 Dark Matter run 10: Limits on spin-dependent interaction

Some data selection and analysis as 225 days run 10 analysis (PRL 109 (2012) 181301)

Sensitivity to SD interaction by odd isotopes  $^{129}\text{Xe}$  ( $J=1/2$ , 26.4%) and  $^{131}\text{Xe}$  ( $J=3/2$ , 21.2%)

Single particle cross section limits

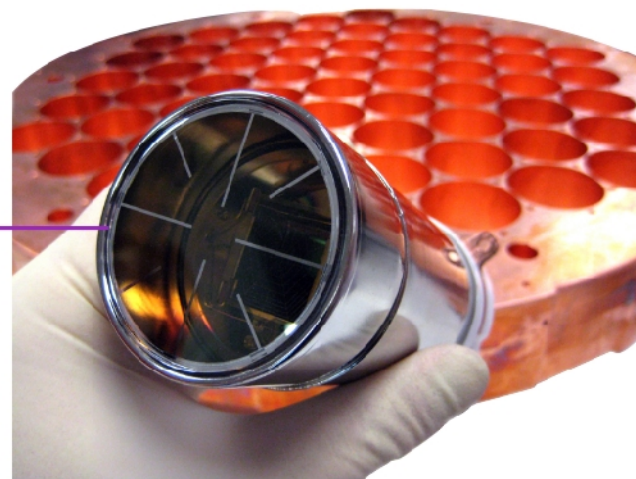
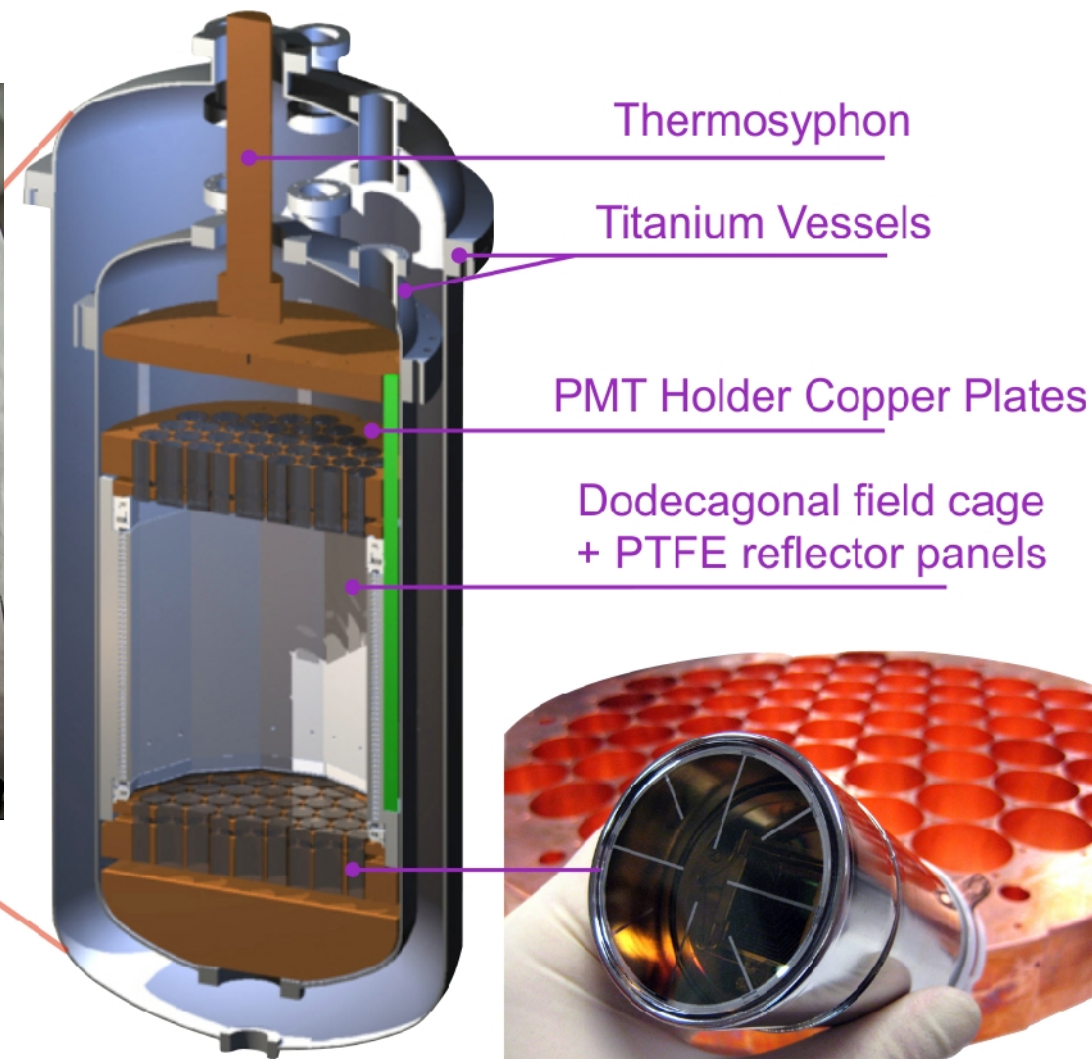
$$\sigma_{p,n}(q) = \frac{3}{4} \frac{\mu_{p,n}^2}{\mu_A^2} \frac{2J+1}{\pi} \frac{\sigma_{\text{SD}}(q)}{S_A^{a_0=\pm a_1}(q)}$$



E. Aprile et al., arXiv:1301.6620

# LUX: 2-phase Xe, commissioning started in Homestake mine, aim: $\sigma = 2 \cdot 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2$

from R. Gaitskell, Aspen 2013



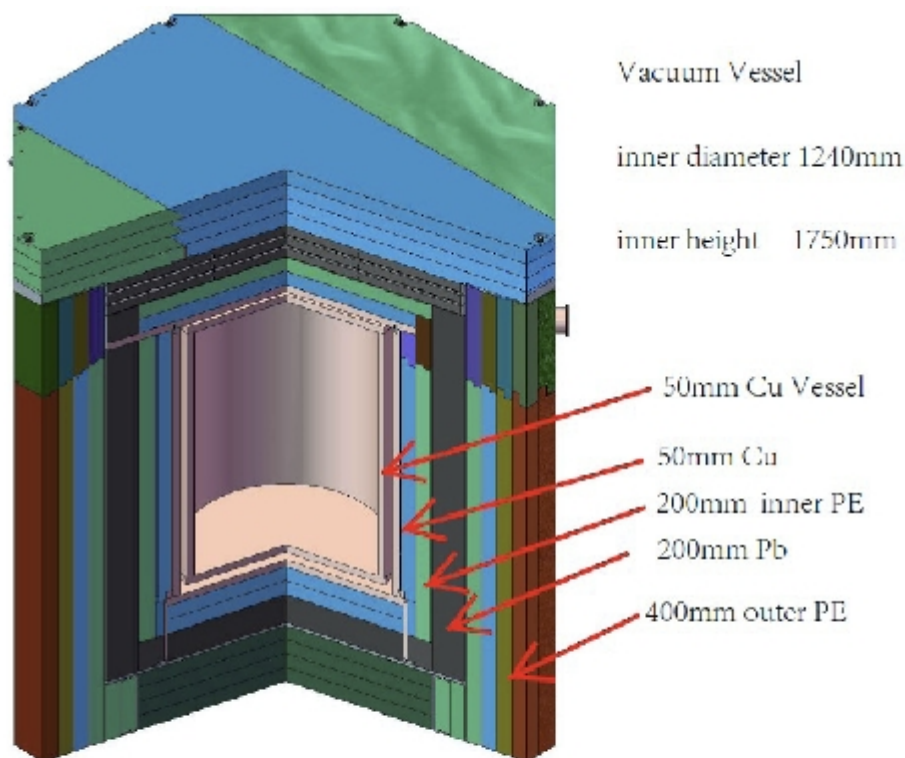
2" Hamamatsu R8778  
Photomultiplier Tubes (PMTs)

- 370 kg (300 kg active) LXe
- 122 PMTs (2" round)
- Low-background Ti cryostat
- PTFE reflector cage
- Thermosyphon used for cooling (>1 kW)

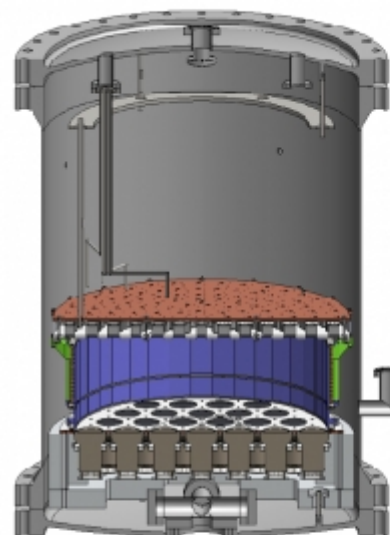
# PANDA-X: 2-phase Xe, start in 2013 with stage 1a: low mass WIMP search

from S. Stephenson, Aspen 2013

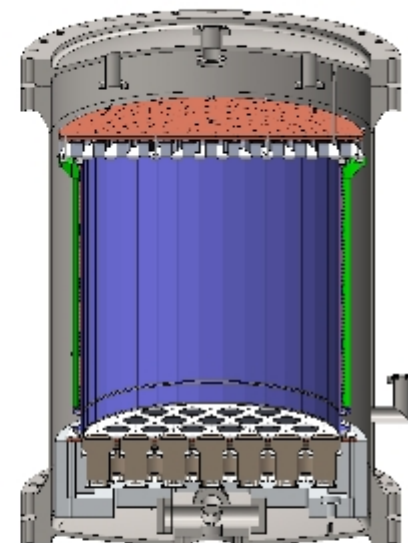
in JinPing underground laboratory, China



Stage 1a



Stage 1b

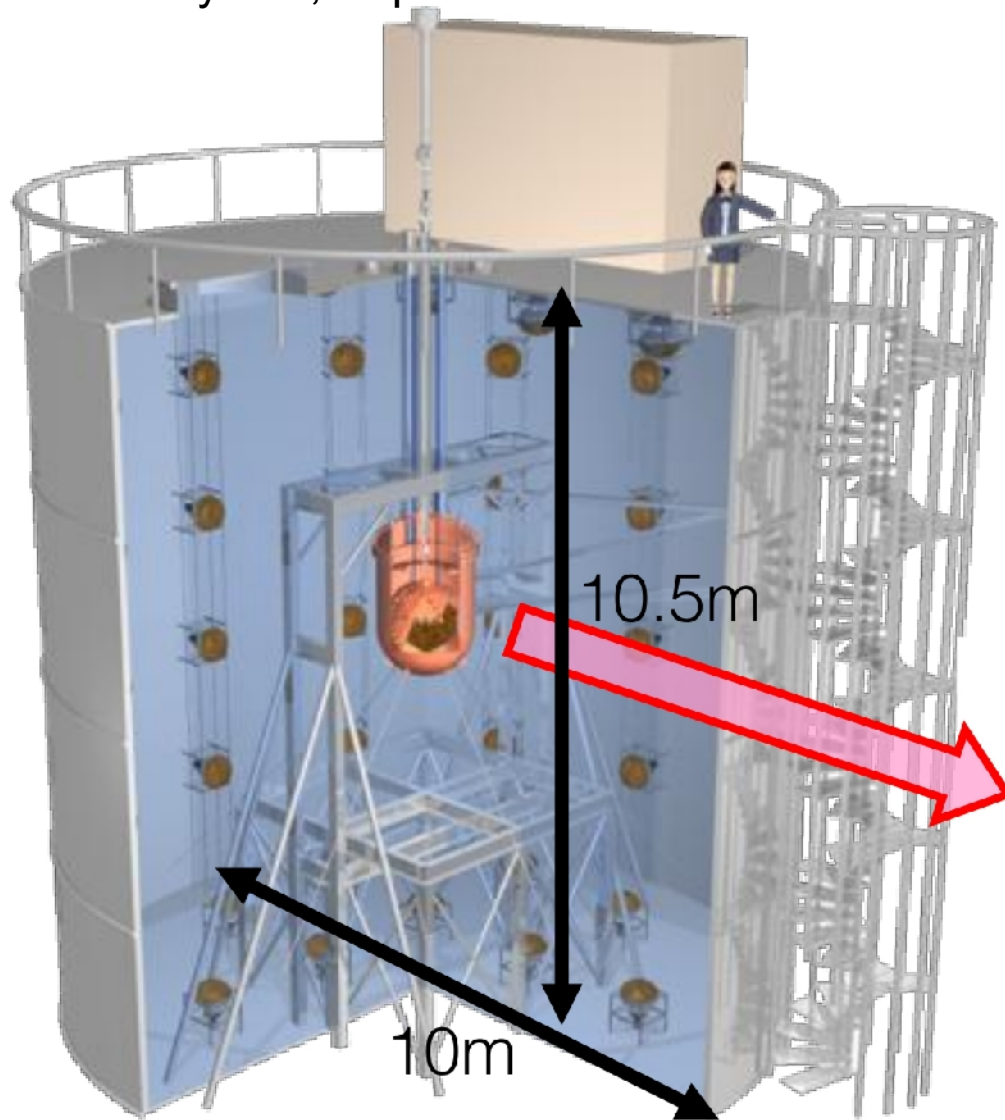


- Low Z (PE) to attenuate  $n$ 's
- High Z (Pb,Cu) for  $\gamma$ 's

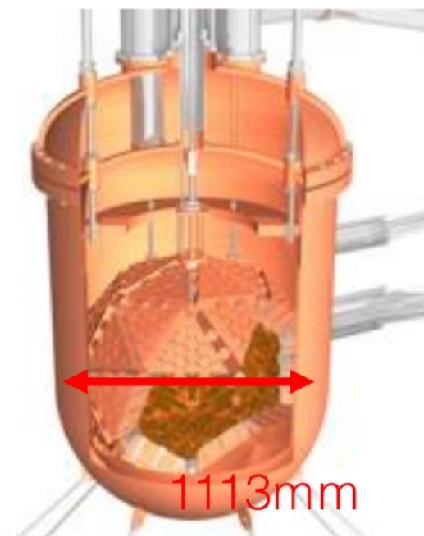
- Same inner vessel for 1a/1b
- PandaX 1a - 15x60cm 'Pancake'
- PandaX 1b - 60x60cm (300 kg fid.)

# XMASS: 1-phase LXe in Kamioka mine restart in 2013 after refurbishment

from K. Kobayashi, Aspen 2013



- 72 20-inch PMTs will be installed to veto cosmic-ray muon ( $<10^{-6}$  for thr-mu,  $10^{-4}$  for stop-mu).
- Water is active shield for muon induced neutron and also passive shield for gamma-ray and neutron from rock/wall.
- IVC and OVC are made of OFHC (Oxygen-free high thermal conductivity) copper



OVC



IVC

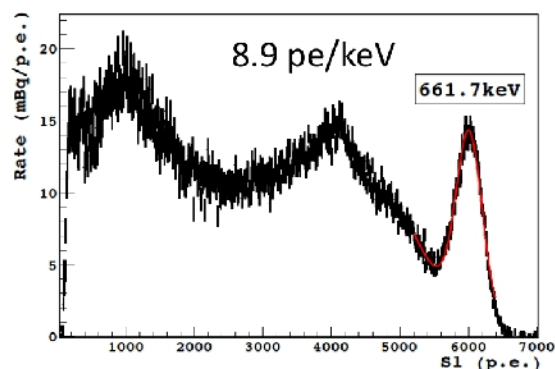
Future "XMASS 1.5": 5t LXe (1t fid.)

# Darkside-50: 2-phase Ar in LNGS depleted in $^{39}\text{Ar}$ , aim: $\sigma = 2 \cdot 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2$

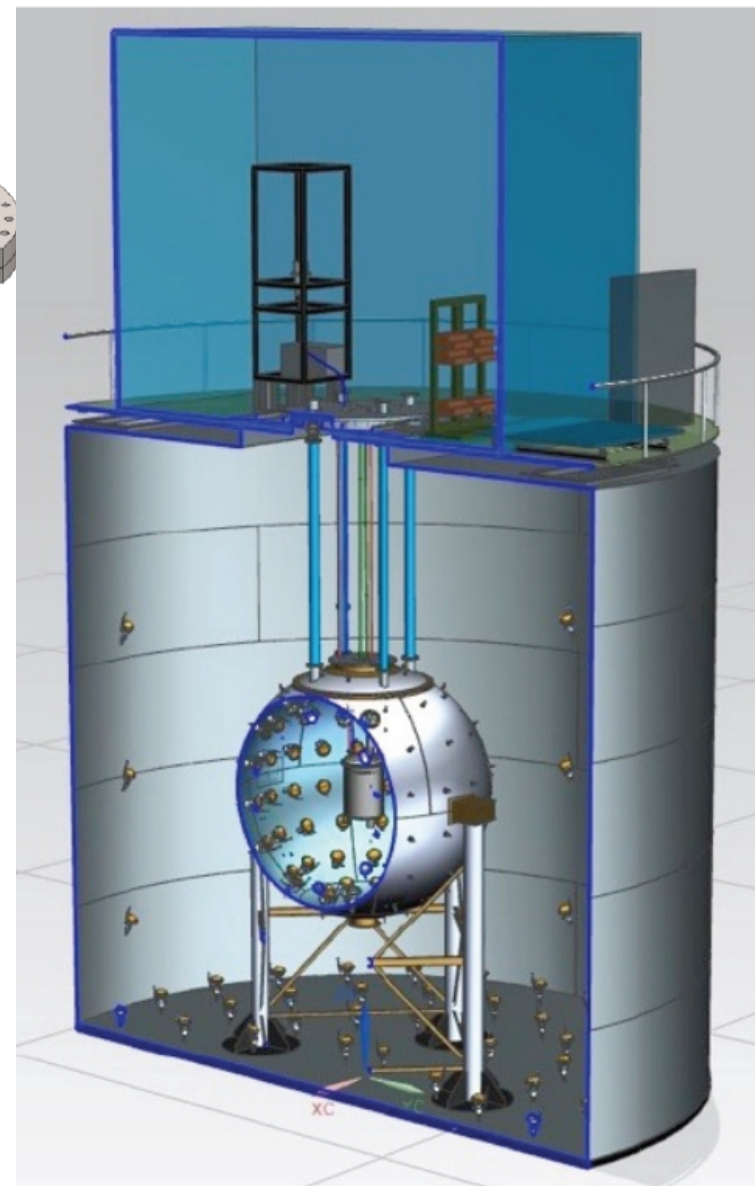
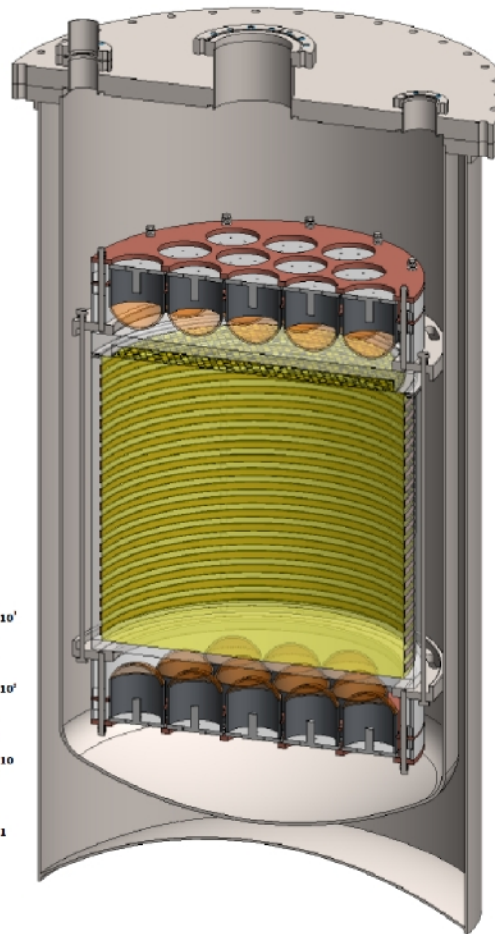
from D. McKinsey, Aspen 2013

Darkside G2: 5t Ar, aim:  $\sigma = 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$

DS-10 data

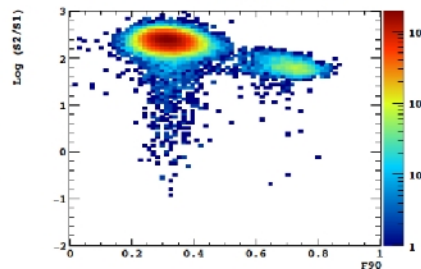
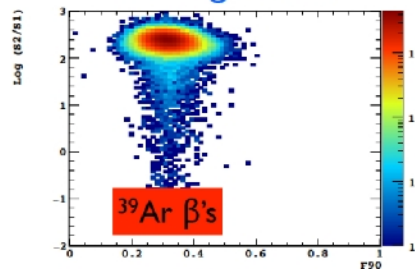


DS-50 model



Background

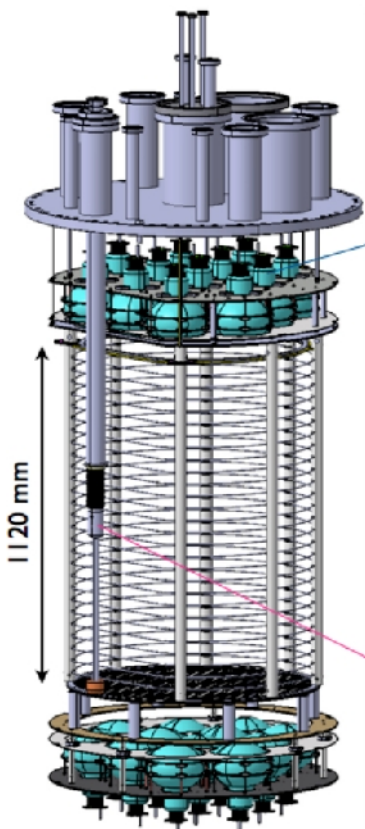
Am-Be Source



# Other Ar detectors: ArDM in Canfranc, Deep/Clean in SNOlab

from D. McKinsey, Aspen 2013

## ArDM



Fully PMT-based readout  
(initial configuration)

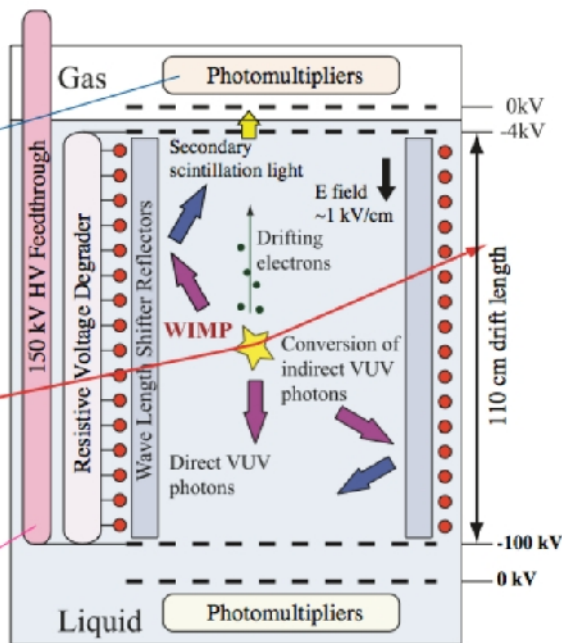
Top PMT array in gas phase  
and bottom array in liquid,  
both will be newly built :

- ▶ new PMT supporting structure
- ▶ new layout with 12 PMTs
- ▶ fresh coating with wavelength shifting TPB

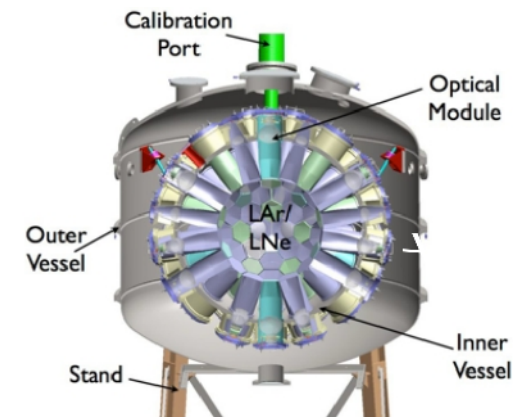
HV feedthrough for drift field

Modified field cage

Slide from A. Rubbia



miniClean: 500 kg LAr  
commissioning in 2013  
 $^{39}\text{Ar}$  spiking for PSD tests



Steel Shell

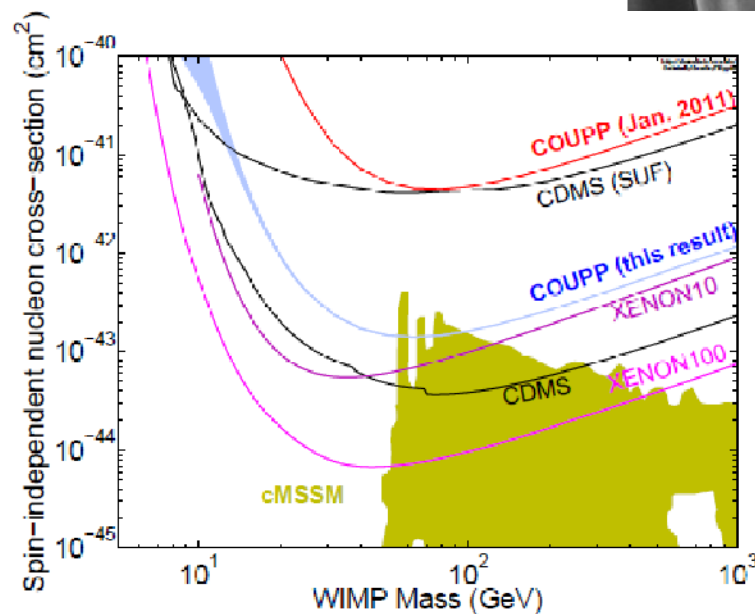
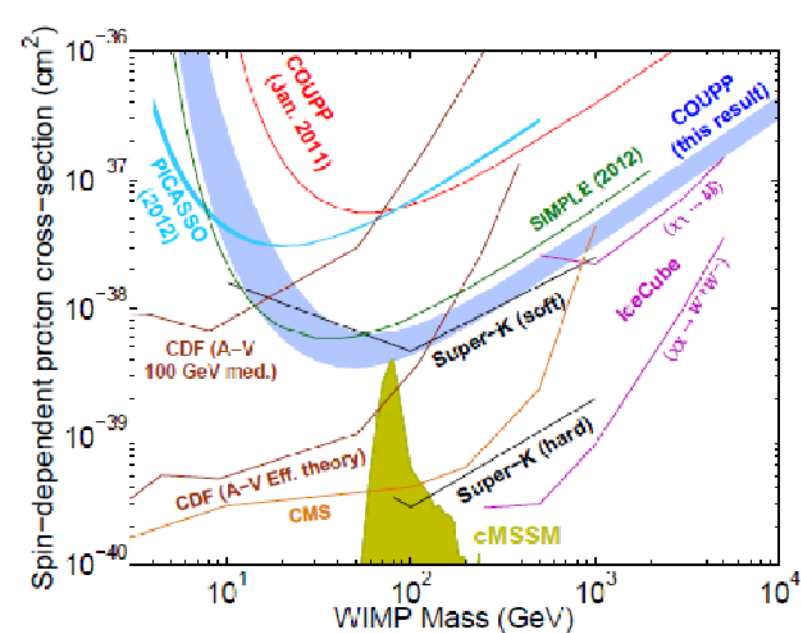
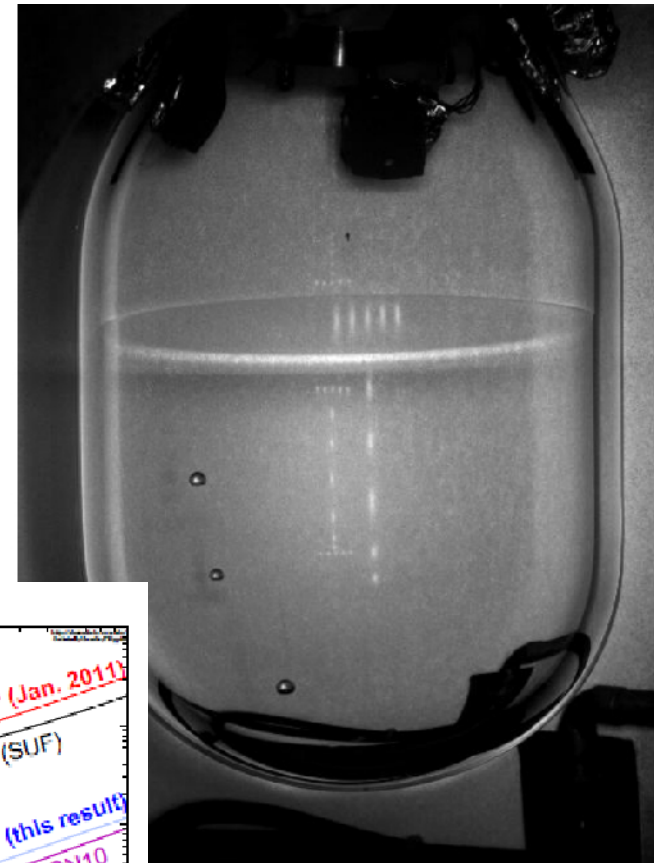


Deep-3600: 3.6 t LAr  
commissioning in 2014

# Some different detector technology: COUPP bubble chamber in SNOLab

from R. Neilson, Aspen 2013 (see also PICASSO@SNOLAB)

- Superheated fluid  $\text{CF}_3\text{I}$ 
  - F for spin dependent
  - I for spin independent
- Observe bubbles with two cameras and piezo-acoustic sensors.



- 1 m drift TPC with 2.4 ton (1 ton fiducial) LXe
- 10 m water shield as Cherenkov Muon Veto
- 100 x less background than XENON100
- Approved by INFN for installation at LNGS
- Fully funded
- construction start in LNGS Hall B in 2012
- Science Data projected to start in 2015
- Sensitivity:  $2 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$  after 2 years of data



XENON1T infrastructure meeting at MS/Jan. 2013







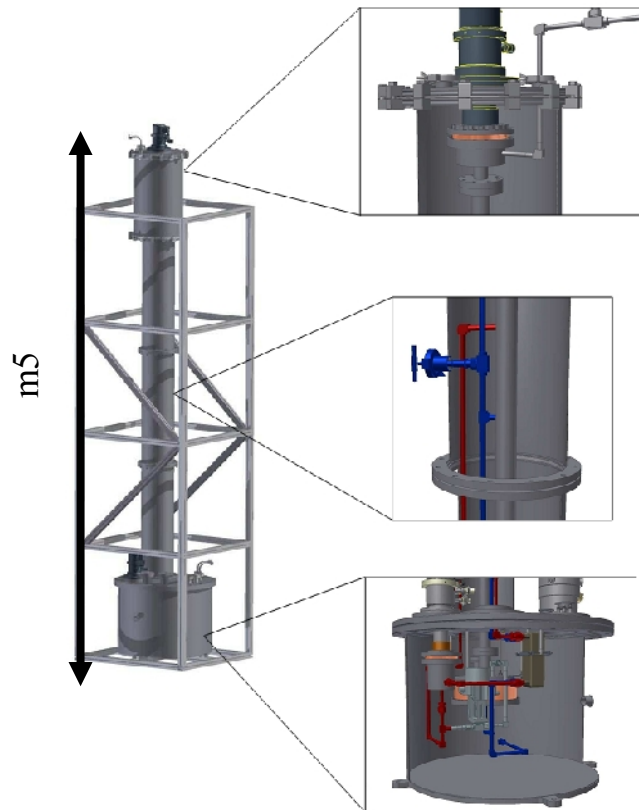
**Approved for construction in Hall B  
→ Construction to begin this year**



- Purification for **electronegative elements** (e.g. oxygen, water) **< 1ppb** using hot zirconium oxide Getter

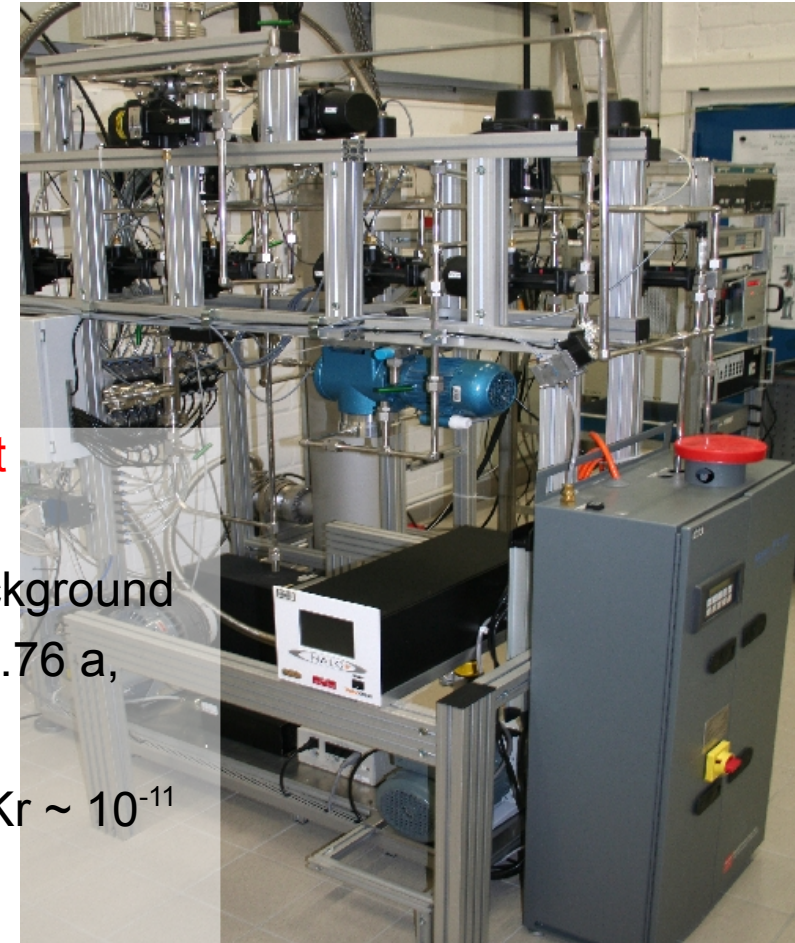
Aim for fast circulation up to 100 (200) SLPM

- Increase of light yield
- Increase of electron drift lifetime

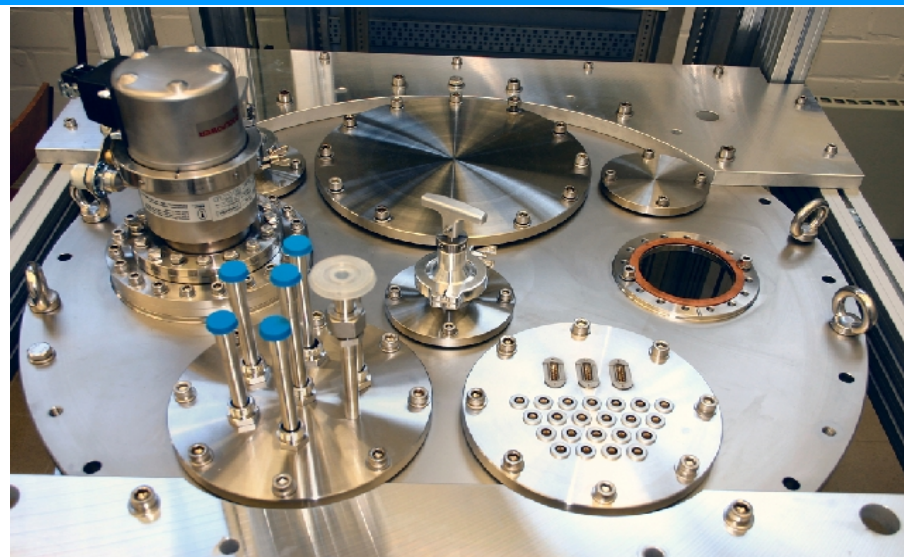


- Purification for **Kr/Xe < 1ppt** using cryogenic distillation
  - $^{85}\text{Kr}$  is one source of background  
( $Q_{\beta} = 687 \text{ keV}$ ,  $t_{1/2} = 10.76 \text{ a}$ , 99.57% BR)
  - natural abundance  $^{85}\text{Kr}/\text{Kr} \sim 10^{-11}$

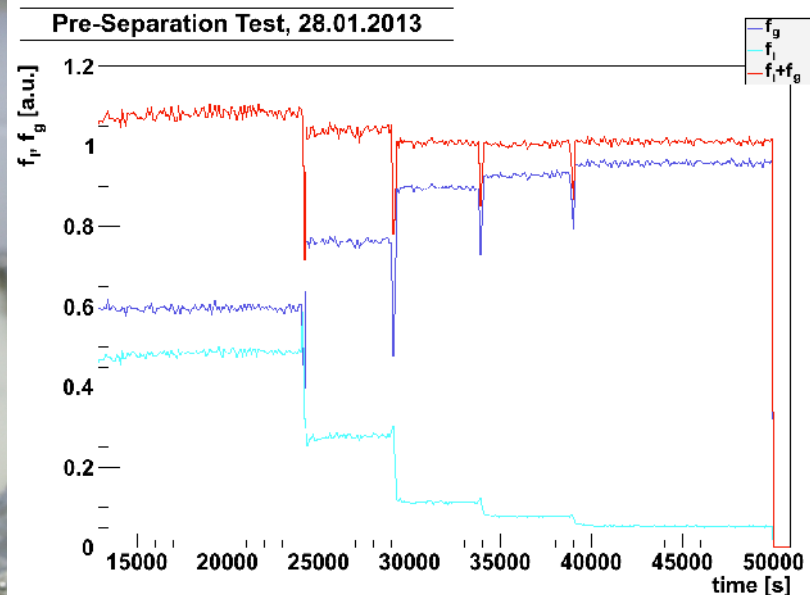
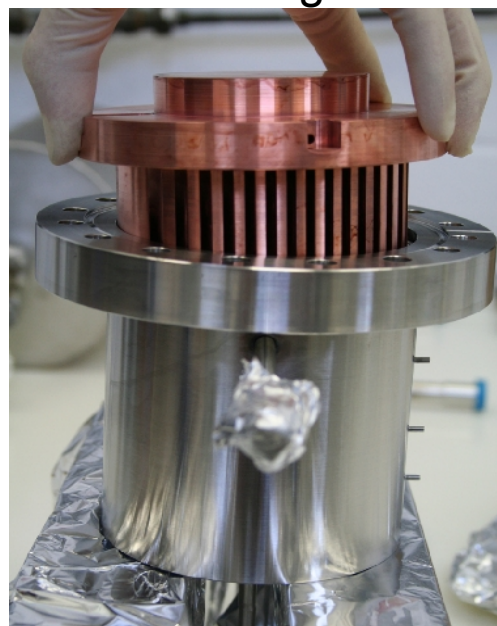
- Purification for Radon

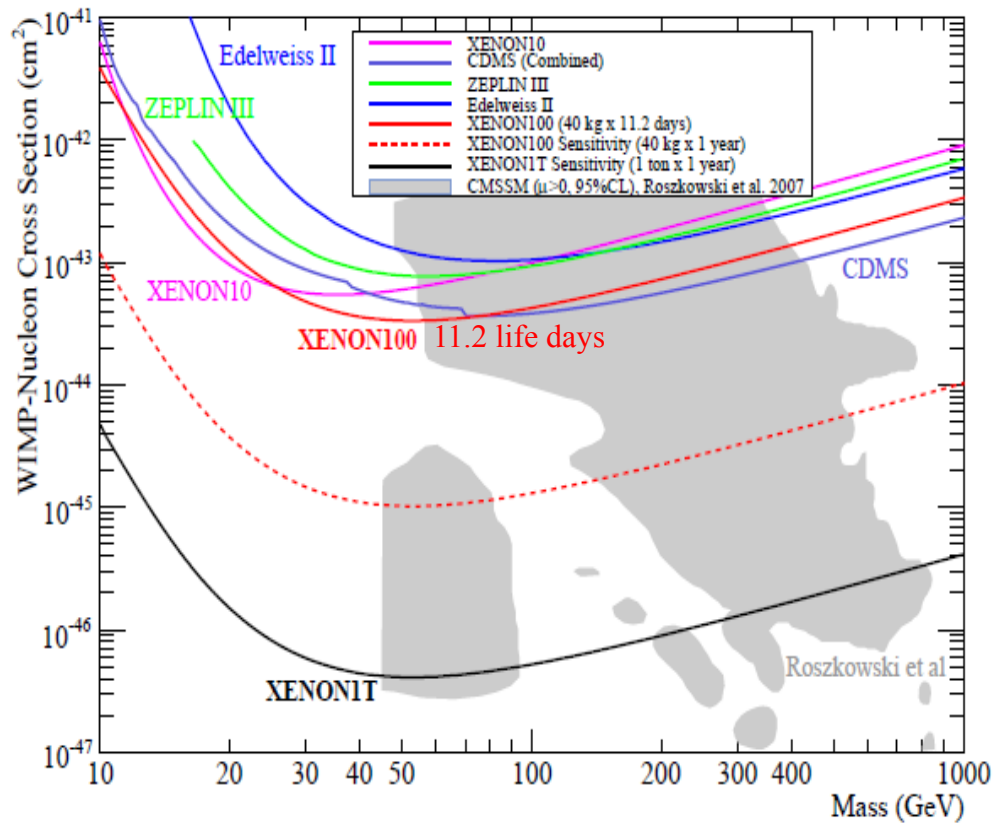


# Status of the new distillation column as of Christmas 2012

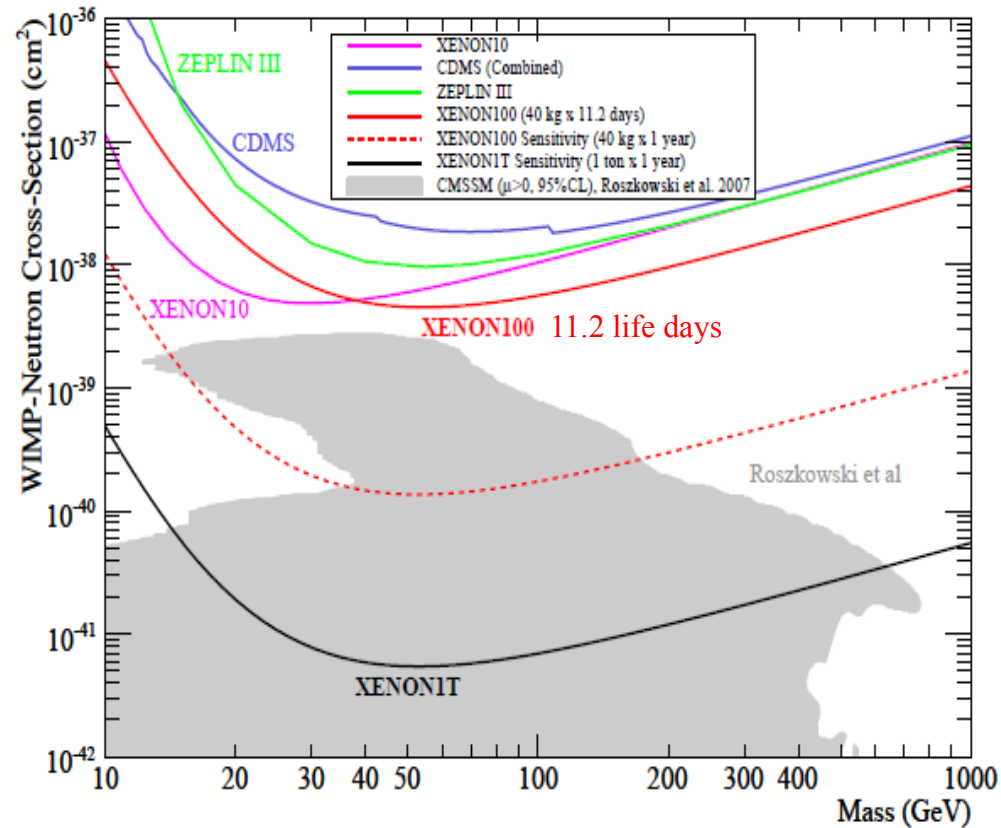


2 new kinds of Kr in Xe diagnostics developed,  
e.g. E Brown et al 2013 JINST 8 P02011





Spin Independent



Spin Dependent

# Future of direct cold Dark Matter (WIMP) search

Could go on until limit by intrinsic background (e.g. solar neutrinos, double  $\beta$  decay)

Further possible improvements:

- ultra-clean materials and Xenon

- full coverage of surface by photo-sensors (Problem of high electric potential)

- advanced photo-sensors (QUPID, GPMTs, ..)

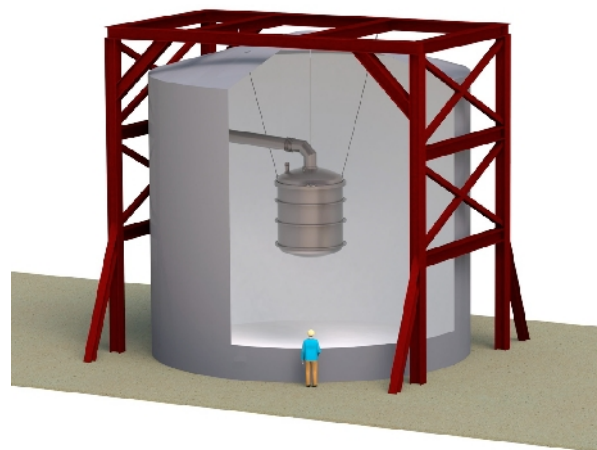
- advanced methods for background suppression:

  - n-tagging by tagging multiple scatters

  - differentiate NR from ER by pulse shape analysis of fast scintillation light

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DARWIN: 20t LXe or LAr



And: Xe TPCs could be used in medical imaging, e.g. GridPix technology

## Dark Matter

cosmological and astrophysical evidence for exotic Dark Matter  
LSP would help particle physics

## Direct Dark Matter experiments

Very active field with many experiments, two major technologies:  
cryogenic bolometers & liquid noble gases  
some indications for low mass WIMPs, but they do not fit together  
in tension with / excluded by XENON100 results

## XENON100

62 kg dual-phase Xe TPC @ LNGS  
extremely low background  
world best limit on WIMPs



## Outlook

XMASS (started), LUX (started commissioning), XENON1T (approved & funded),  
Super-CDMS (running), DarkSide, PANDA-X, DEAP-3600, miniCLEAN, EDELWEISS-III,  
EURECA, DARWIN, ...

Funding of Dark Matter activities at Münster: