

**Present Status of**  
**Low Temperature Detector**  
**for**  
**Neutrino-less  $\beta\beta$  Decay**

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# Detector E-Resolution

## Widely used radiation detector

### □ Scintillator

(例) NaI(Tl) Scintillator

Photon

Scintillation photons  $4.2 \times 10^4$  photons/MeV  
Resolution ( $\Delta E$  @1 MeV)  $\sim$  several tens keV

### □ Semiconductor

(例) HPGe detector

Ionization

Electron-hole pair  $E_{\text{gap}} \sim 2 \text{ eV} \rightarrow 5 \times 10^5$  pairs/MeV  
Resolution ( $\Delta E$  @1 MeV)  $2 \sim 3$  keV

Energy resolution is determined by statistical fluctuation of quantum (and fano-factor).

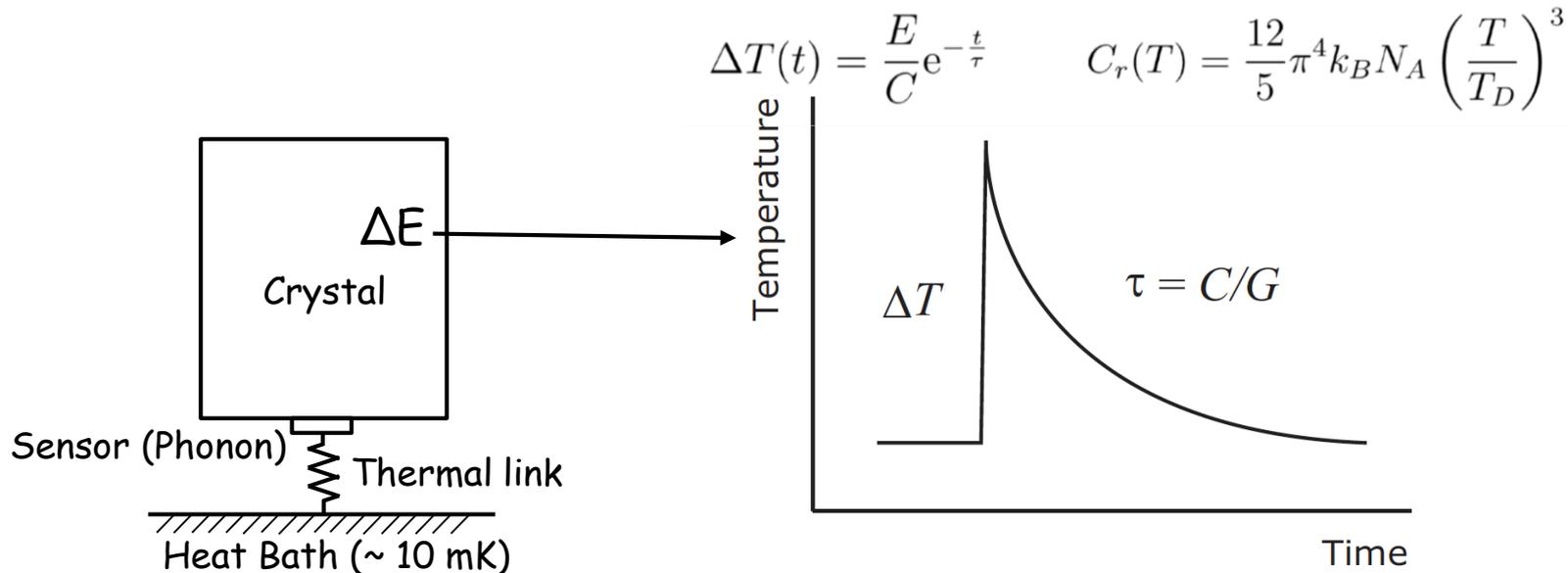
How about Phonon?

At 1 K under thermal equilibrium, mean energy of phonons  $k_B T \sim 80 \mu\text{eV}$

At Debye temperature  $\sim 100 \text{ meV}$

$\rightarrow$  Phonon detector (Bolometer)

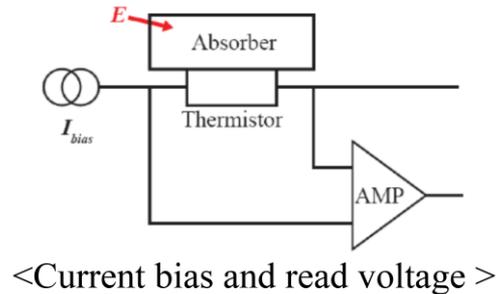
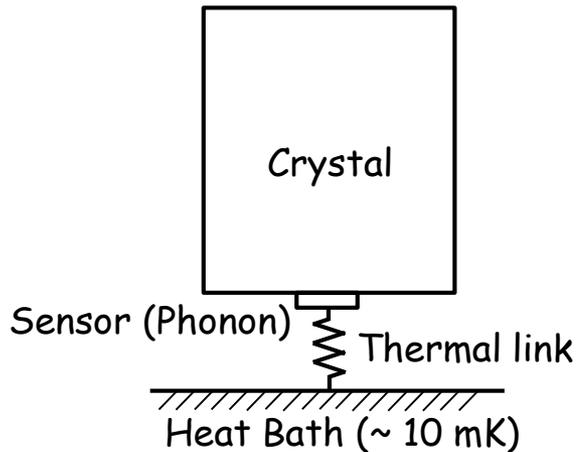
# Bolometer



- Calorimetric measurement of heat signals at mK temperatures
  - Energy absorption  $\rightarrow$  Temperature increase
  - Good Energy resolution ; expected.
- Choice of thermometers to measure temperature increase
 

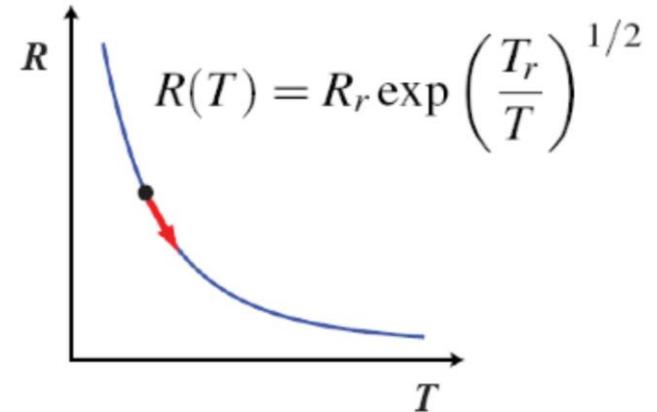
• Thermistors (NTD Ge)	CUORE, CUPID (some options)
• TES (Transition Edge Sensor)	Light detector, CRESST
• MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter)	AMoRE, LIMINEU
• KID (Kinetic Inductance Device)	CALDER
• etc.	

# NTD-Ge as Temperature Sensor



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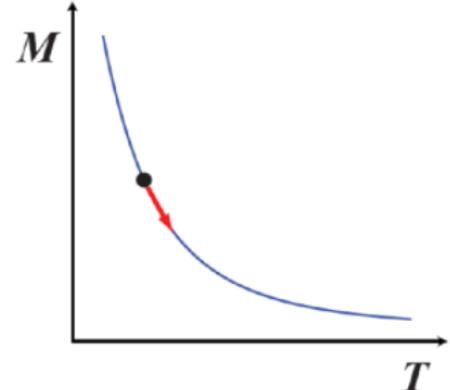
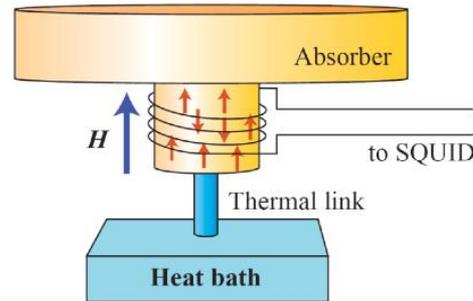
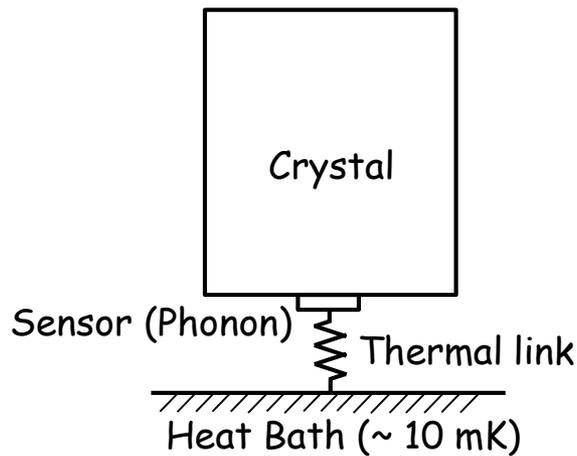
Changing  $M\Omega \sim 100M\Omega$  by temperature change



## Properties of NTD-Ge

- Doped semiconductors
  - Neutron transmuted doped (NTD) Ge thermistors
- Readout: (cold) JFET
- High resolution + High linearity + Wide dynamic range + Absorber friendly
- Require very low bias current (sensitive to micro-phonics and electromagnetic interference), **Slow response**

# MMC as Temperature Sensor



## Process of detecting signal

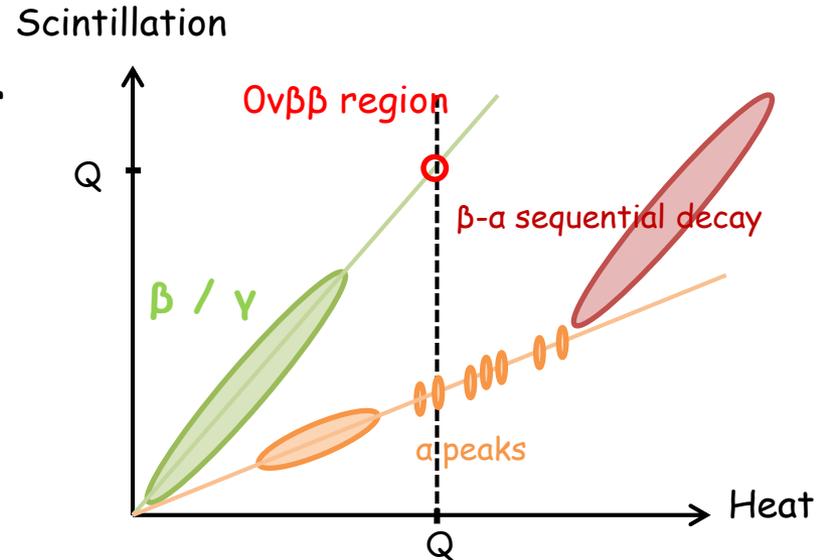
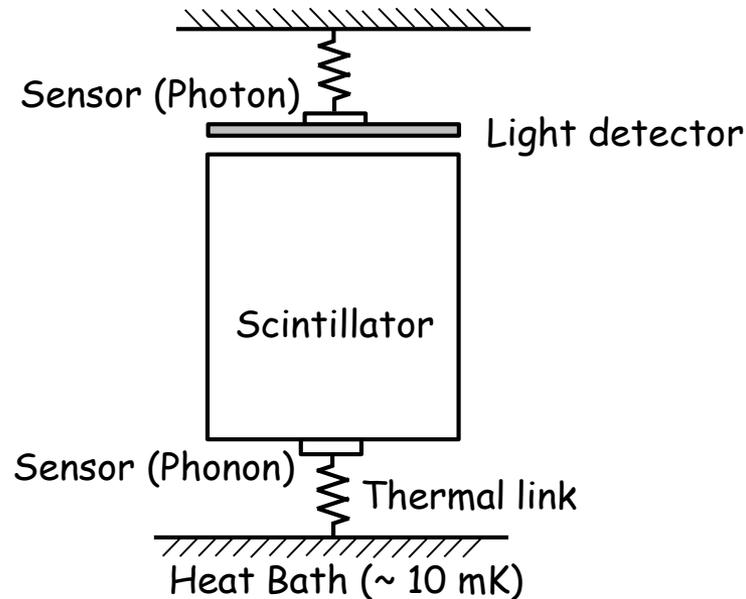
- ① Energy absorption in a crystal
- ② Phonon and photon generation
- ③ Temperature increase
- ④ Magnetization of MMC decrease
- ⑤ SQUID pickup the magnetization change

## Properties of MMC

- Paramagnetic alloy in a magnetic field
  - Au:Er(300-1000 ppm), Ag:Er(300-1000 ppm)
  - → Magnetization variation with temperature
- Readout: SQUID
- High resolution + High linearity + Wide dynamic range + Absorber friendly + No bias heating + **Relatively fast**
- **More wires & materials needed for SQUIDs and MMCs**

# Scintillating Bolometer

- The technique (scintillating bolometer) was already established,
  - CRESST-II ( $\text{CaWO}_4$ ), LUMINEU, Lucifer, CUPID, AMoRE ( $\text{CaMoO}_4$ )



- Simultaneous measurement both heat and scintillation enables to identify the particle types ( $\alpha/\beta$  particle ID)
- It is possible to reject **alpha decay events**, also  **$\beta$ - $\alpha$  sequential events**  
→ **Chance to achieve "BG free measurement"**

# Bolometer Detector for $0\nu\beta\beta$ study

- COURE Experiment ; Running experiment

# CUORE

Info. from official website  
<https://cuore.lngs.infn.it/>

- Site : Gran Sasso (Italy) ~3600 m.w.e
- Target : 741 kg  $\text{TeO}_2$  (~206 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$ ), 988 crystals in 19 towers
  - Natural abundance of  $^{130}\text{Te}$ : 34 %,  $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2528$  keV
- Temperature Sensor : NTD-Ge Thermistor
- Operated at ~10 mK. Energy resolution ~0.2% FWHM

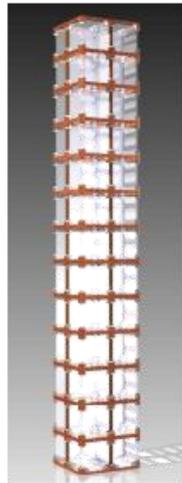
	Cuoricino	CUORE-O	CUORE
$^{130}\text{Te}$ mass (kg)	11	11	206
Background (c/keV/kg/y) @ 2528 keV	0.17	0.05	0.01
$E$ resolution (keV) FWHM @ 2615 keV	7	5-6	5
$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle$ (meV) @ 90% C.L.	300-710	200-500	40-90

Excellent  $\Delta E$

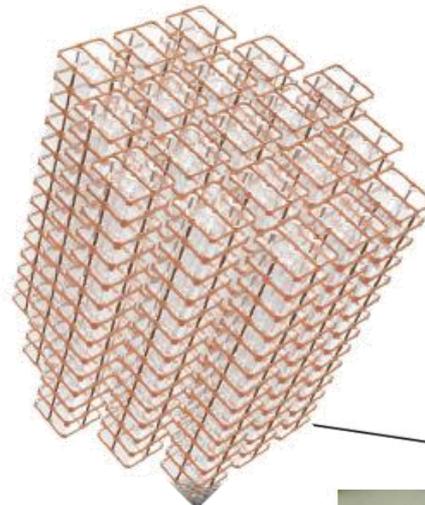
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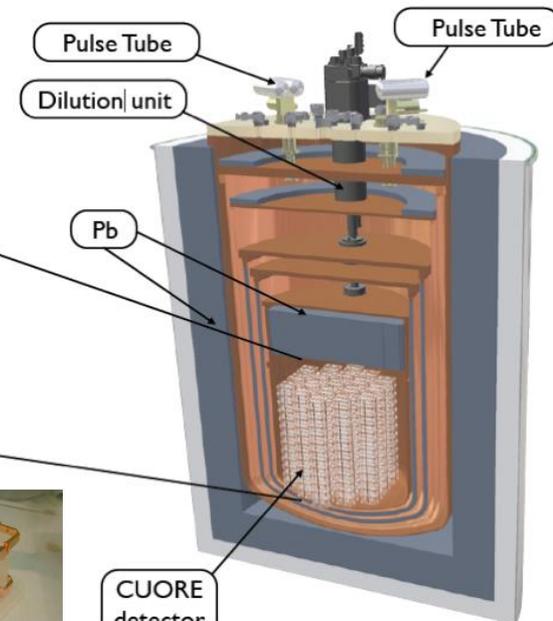
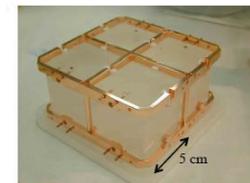
**Cuoricino**  
2003–2008  
11 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$



**CUORE-O**  
2012–2014  
11 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$

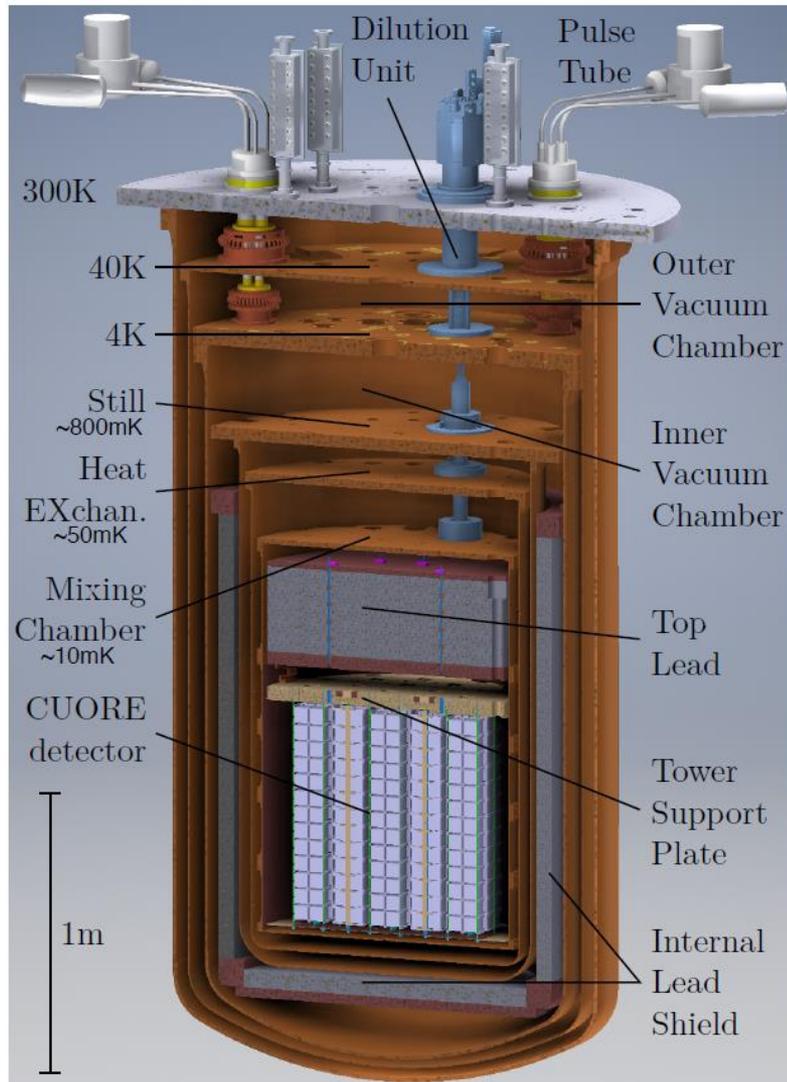


**CUORE**  
2013–2018  
206 kg  $^{130}\text{Te}$



Monster Cryostat !!

# CUORE; ton-scale @mK facility



- Powerful dilution refrigerator
  - cooling power:  $5 \mu\text{W}$  at 10 mK
- Precooled by 4 pulse tubes
- Cryogenic stages and loads:
  - 13 tonnes < 4 K
  - 5 tonnes < 50 mK
  - 1500 kg @ 10 mK (detectors + materials)
- Experimental volume  $\sim 1 \text{ m}^3$
- **Cooldown time  $\sim 1$  month**
- External Shielding:
  - 18 cm polyethylene + 2 cm borated material
  - 30 cm lead

*Cryogenics* **93**, 56-65 (2018).

# Results of CUORE

Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 122501 (2020)

- Data taking started in Spring 2017
  - ~ 1000 kg x year exposure of Te
- First result from CUORE-0 dataset:
  - 372.5 kg x year
  - Likelihood model
    - flat continuum (BI) +  $^{60}\text{Co}$  (rate + position)

- No evidence for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 3.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr (90\% C.I.)}$$

- Interpretation in context of light Majorana neutrino exchange

$$m_{\beta\beta} < 75 - 350 \text{ meV}$$

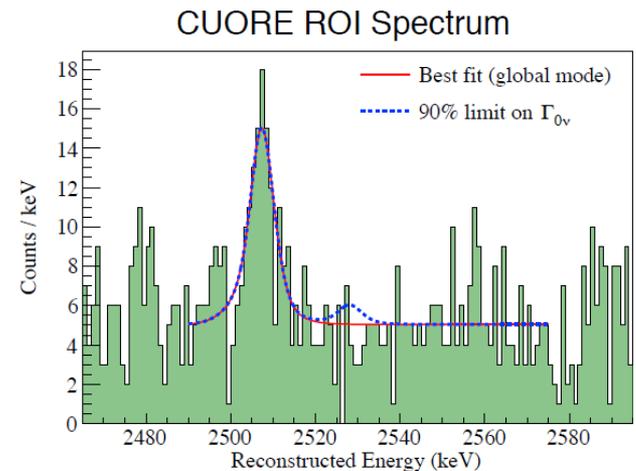
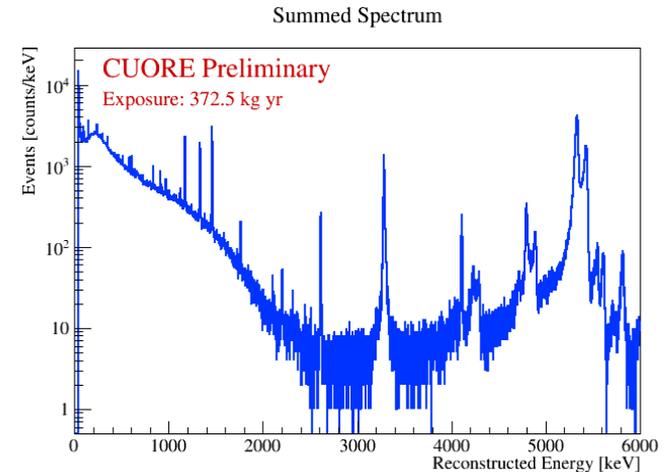
## Detector Performance Parameters

Background Index

$$(1.38 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-2} \text{ cnts}/(\text{keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr})$$

Characteristic FWHM  $\Delta E$  at  $Q_{\beta\beta}$

$$7.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ keV}$$



# Scintillating Bolometer for $0\nu\beta\beta$ study

- CUORE and CUPID
- AMoRE
- Development of  $\text{CaF}_2$  Scinti.-Bolometer

# CUORE Upgrade : CUPID

Tommy O'Dnell, Talk in DBD18

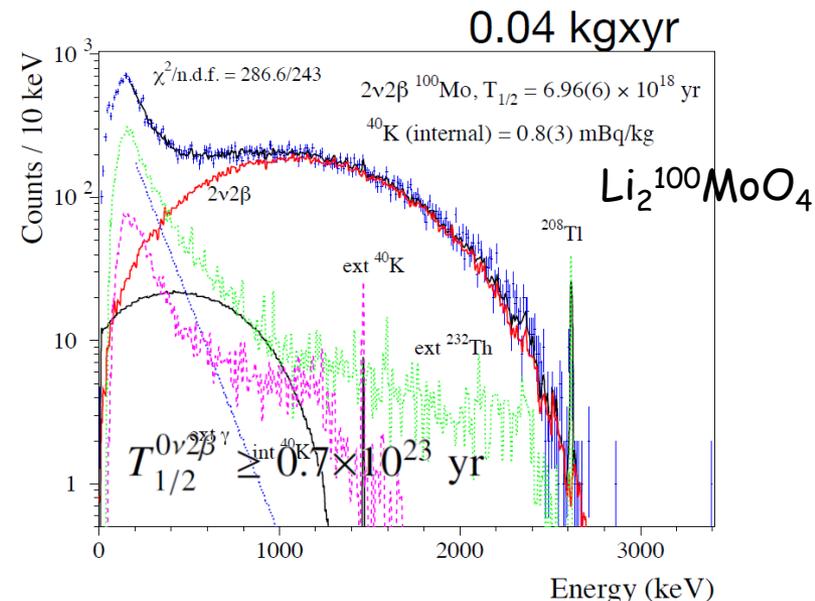
- CUPID (CUORE Upgrade with Particle ID)
  - Option1: Scintillating-Bolometer ( $\text{Zn}^{82}\text{Se}$  /  $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ )
  - Option2:  $\text{TeO}_2$  + Light-detector (PI by Cherenkov photon)
- LMO crystal
  - $^{100}\text{Mo}$  (Q-value: 3034 keV)
  - Enrichment to ~97%
  - Seminal R&D from LUMINEU project
  - Possible to grow large, high purity, high optical quality LMO crystals

## CUPID-Mo Prototype

Eur. Phys. J. C (2017) 77:785



Main crystal, Ge wafer cryogenic light detector readout by NTDs



BB-decay results from LUMINEU

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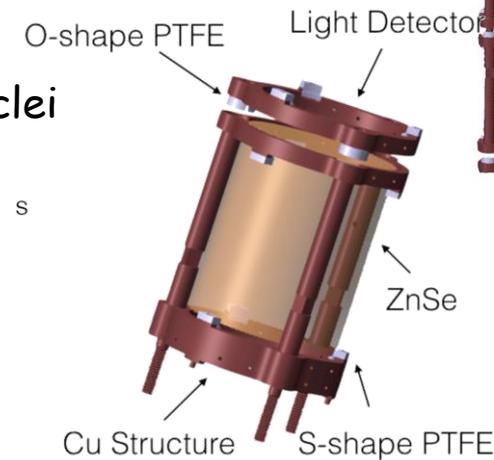
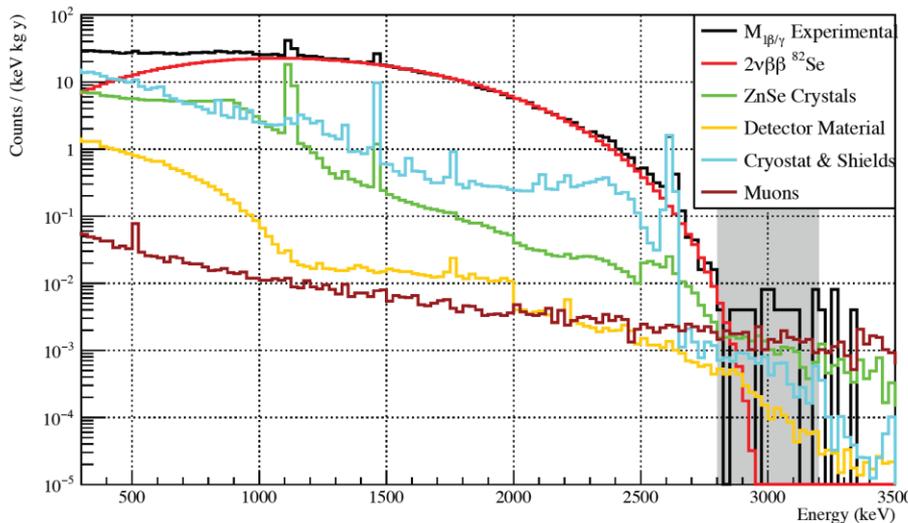
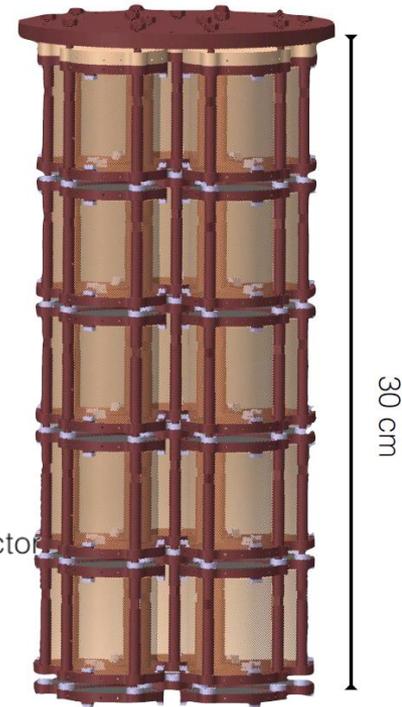
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*Luca Pattivina, Talk in DBD18*

- $Zn^{82}Se$

- Q-value: 2998 keV
- CUPID-0 Se demonstrator now operating at LNGS
- 26 bolometers (24 enr. + 2 nat) arranged in 5 towers
  - 10.5 kg of ZnSe
  - 5.17 kg of  $^{82}Se \rightarrow N_{\beta\beta} = 3.8 \times 10^{25}$   $\beta\beta$  nuclei



$T_{1/2}(^{82}Se \rightarrow ^{82}Kr) > 4.0 \cdot 10^{24}$  yr @ 90C.L.

$m_{\beta\beta} < (290-596)^1$  meV

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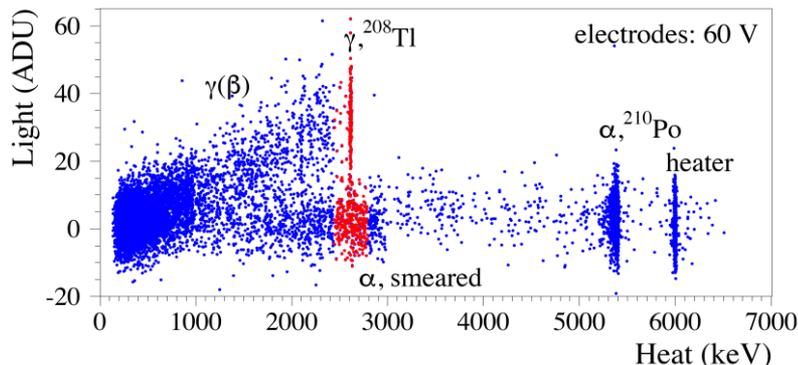
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Tommy O'Dnell, Talk in DBD18

- $\text{TeO}_2$  + Cherenkov photon
  - Q-value: 2527 keV
  - R&D to discriminate electron/alpha events based on Cherenkov light
  - Low threshold bolometric light detectors
  - Light detector thermometry (standard NTD-Ge)
    - TES and KIDs are being investigated

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99.9%  $\alpha$  event rejection with >95 % signal acceptance

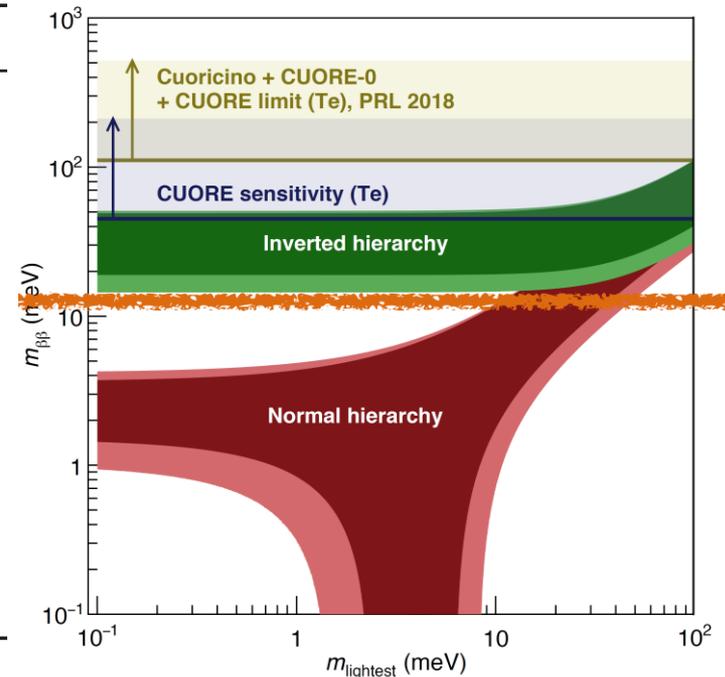
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  - Option2:  $\text{TeO}_2$  + Light-detector (PI by Cherenkov photon)
- Baseline target isotope is  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  embedded in  $\text{LiMoO}_4$  scintillating bolometers

## Proposed Design of CUPID

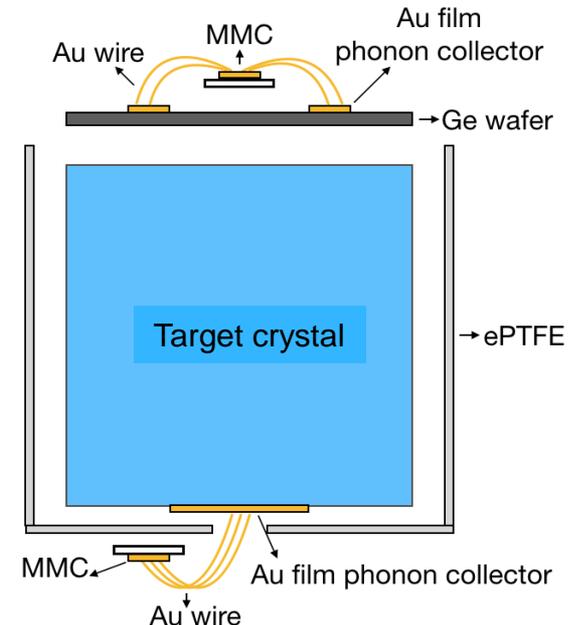
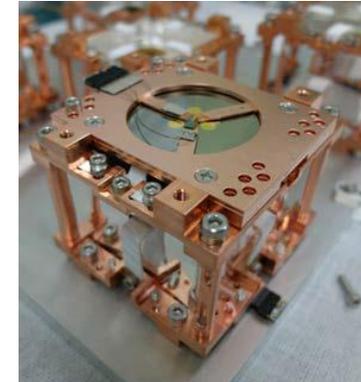
Parameter	CUPID Baseline
Crystal	$\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$
Detector mass (kg)	472
$^{100}\text{Mo}$ mass (kg)	253
Energy resolution FWHM (keV)	5
Background index (counts/(keV·kg·yr))	$10^{-4}$
Containment efficiency	79%
Selection efficiency	90%
Livetime (years)	10
Half-life exclusion sensitivity (90% C.L.)	$1.5 \times 10^{27}$ y
Half-life discovery sensitivity ( $3\sigma$ )	$1.1 \times 10^{27}$ y
$m_{\beta\beta}$ exclusion sensitivity (90% C.L.)	10–17 meV
$m_{\beta\beta}$ discovery sensitivity ( $3\sigma$ )	12–20 meV



# AMoRE Advanced Mo based Rare process Experiment

Yong-Hamb Kim, LTD-17@Kurume & talk in TAUP2019

- Site: YangYang Underground (Korea, Depth 700m)
- Detector:  $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  Scinti-Bolometer
  - $^{40}\text{Ca}$  (expensive, delivery problem)
    - Another Crystal ?, Li or Na
- $\beta\beta$  Isotope:  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  ( $Q = 3034$  keV, 9.63%)
  - using enriched  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ , and  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  (depleted  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ )
- Phonon sensor: MMC
  - Fast time response; ~ mili-sec. rising
  - Decay constant (thermalized) ~100 msec
  - Excellent PI &  $\Delta E$



## AMoRE-Polot -2018

- 1.9 kg of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$
- target sensitivity  $T^{0\nu_{1/2}} > 3 \times 10^{24}$  year,
- $m_{\beta\beta} < 300\sim 900$  meV

## AMoRE-I 2019 ~

- 6.1 kg,  $10^{-3}$  cts/(keV·kg·y), 70-140 meV

# Status of AMoRE Experiment

## • First Results from the AMoRE-Pilot

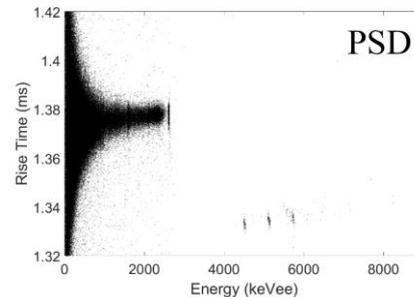
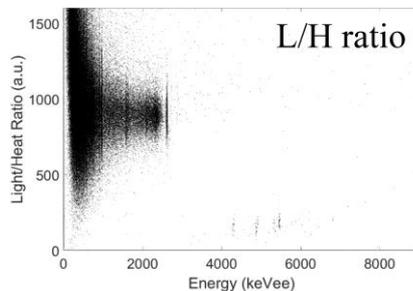
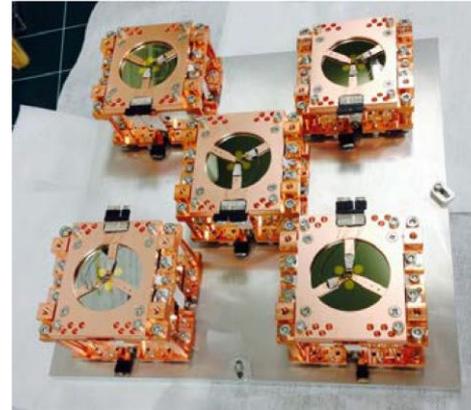
The European Physical Journal C 79, 791 (2019)

- 48depl.  $\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  Crystals (1.9 kg)
- Exposure ; 111 day x kg

Particle ID : Highly resolving

Not only Heat/Light ratio, but also timing properties of signal

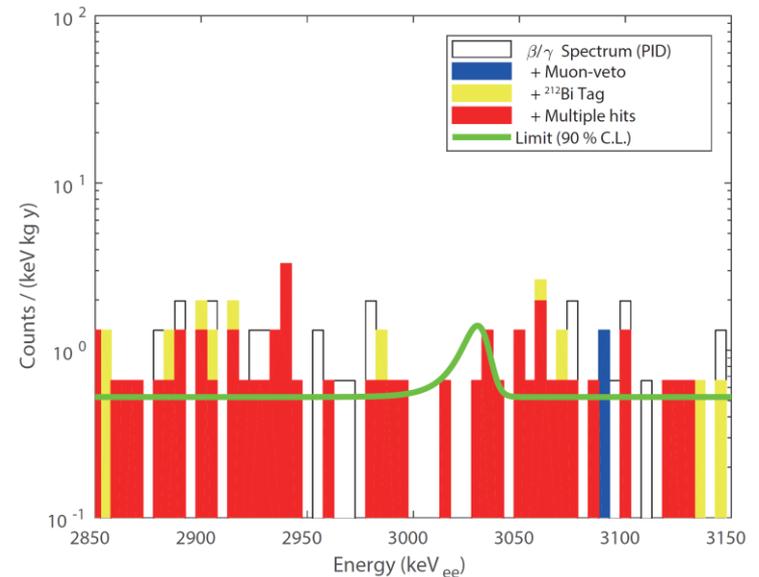
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$T_{1/2} > 9.5 \times 10^{22}$  year (90% C.L.)

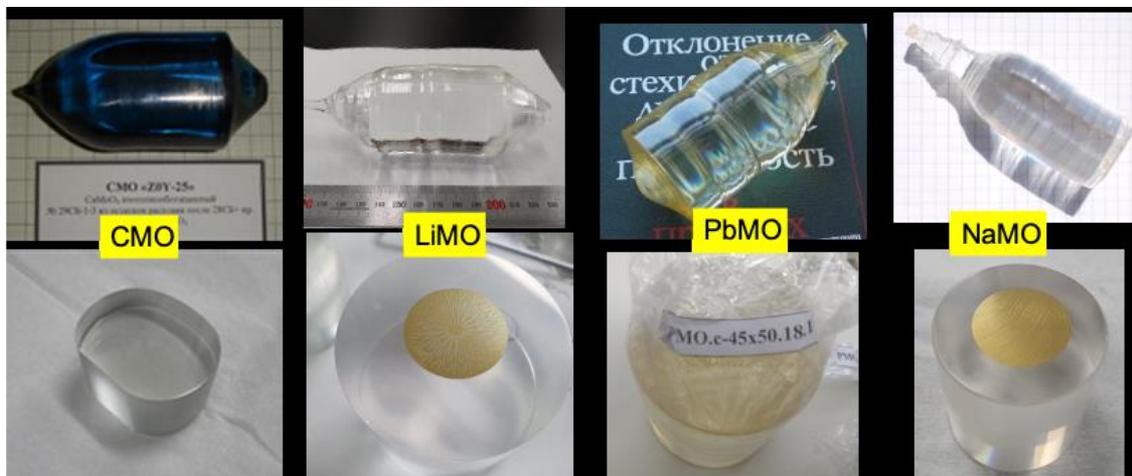
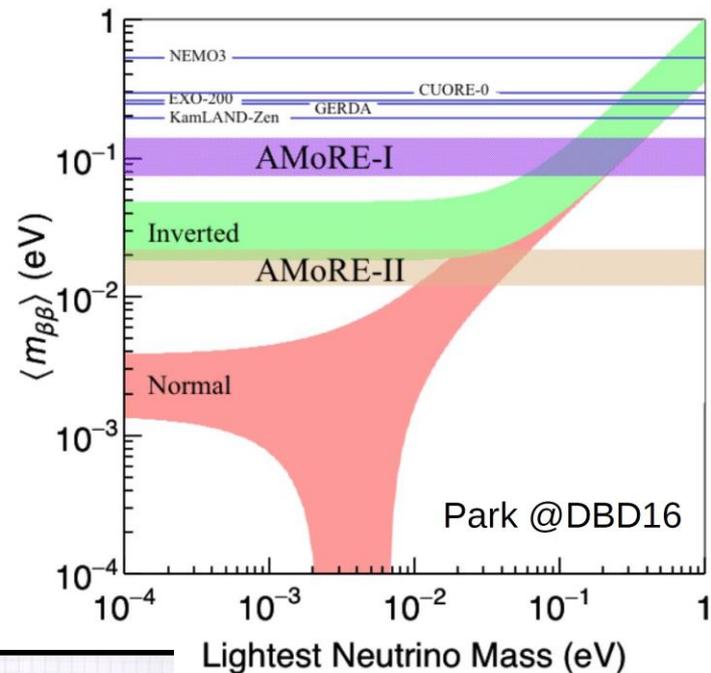
$1.1 \times 10^{24}$  year (by NEMO-3)

$1.4 \times 10^{24}$  year (by CUPID-Mo)



# Future Prospects of AMoRE

	AMoRE-Pilot	AMoRE-I	AMoRE-II
Mass [kg]	1.9	~6.1	~200
Channels	12	36	~1000
BKG goal [ckky]	0.01	0.001	0.0001
Sensitivity [year]	~10 <sup>24</sup>	~10 <sup>25</sup>	~5×10 <sup>26</sup>
Sensitivity [meV]	380 to 640	120 to 200	17 to 29
Location	Y2L	Y2L	Yemilab
schedule	2017 to 2018	2019~	2021~



JINST 15 C08010 (2020)

# Development for Ca Bolometer

- Future development for CANDLES project

# $^{48}\text{Ca}$ for $\beta\beta$ Isotope

- $^{48}\text{Ca}$  isotope

- Highest Q-value (4.27 MeV)

- Large phase space factor

- Low background

- γ-ray ; 2.6 MeV ( $^{208}\text{Tl}$ )

- β-ray ; 3.3 MeV ( $^{214}\text{Bi}$ )

- Chance to realize

the Background Free Measurement !

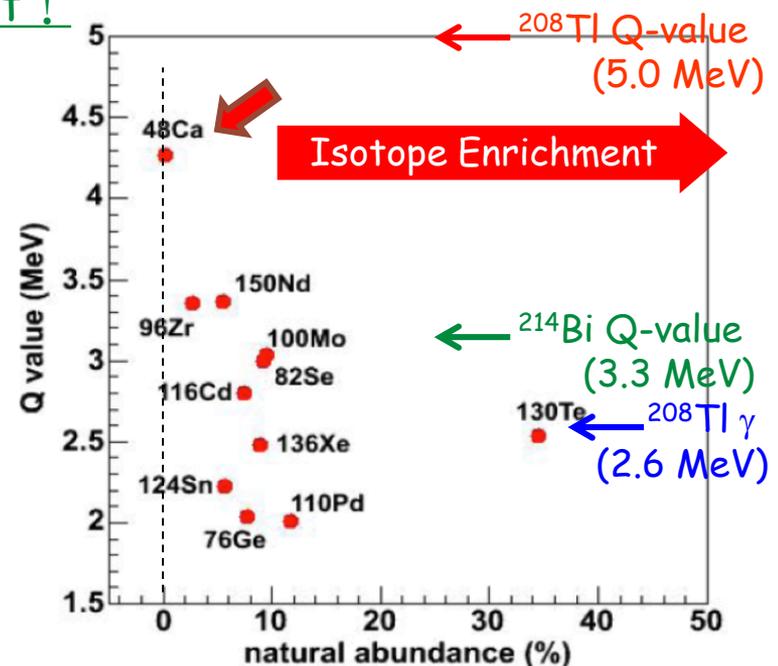
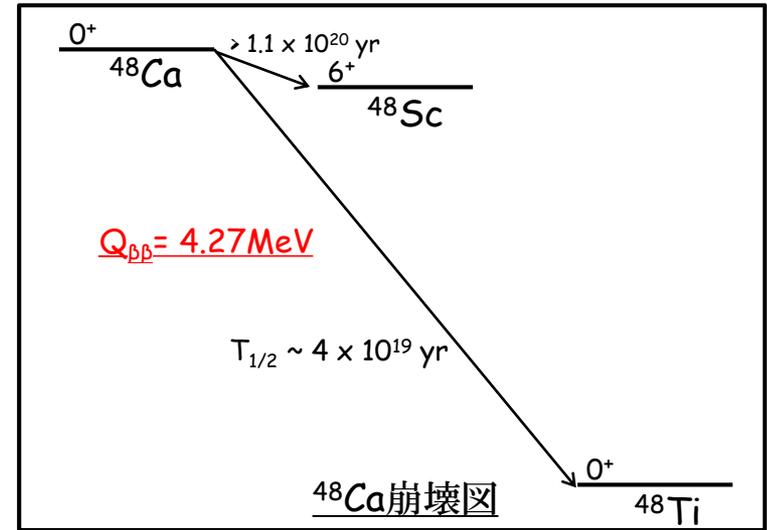
$$\langle m_\nu \rangle \propto T_{0\nu}^{-1/2} \propto (1 / M \cdot T_{\text{live}})^{1/2}$$

- Small natural abundance ( 0.187 % )

- However,

- Chance to improve the sensitivity by the enrichment without scale-up.

- Low risk to increase BG origins



# Background Candidates for Ca-Bolometer

- Tail of  $2\nu\beta\beta$  spectrum

- Improving energy resolution

Scintillator → Bolometer

- $^{48}\text{CaXX}$  internal radioactivities

- Th-series ( $\beta$ - $\alpha$  sequential decays) → Bolometer

- Th-series ( $^{208}\text{Tl}$ )

→ Segmentation, Multi-crystal

- Environmental neutrons

- Improving resolution + Multi-crystal

Possible to further reduce the BG by developing Bolometer

- But... new BG candidate

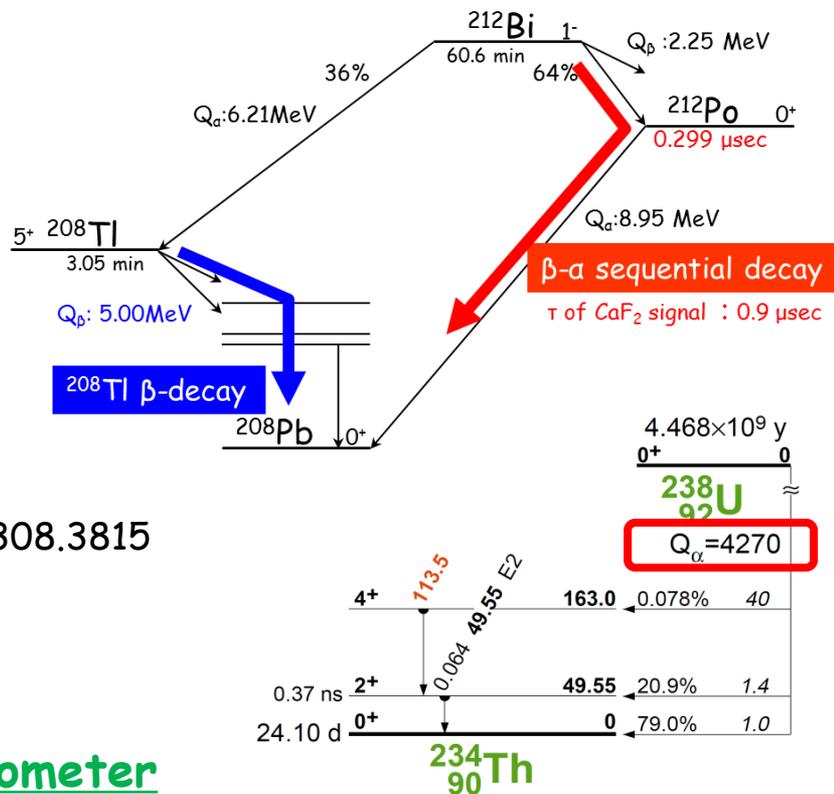
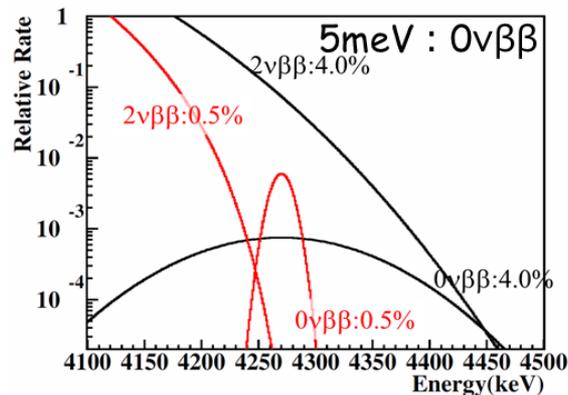
- Q value of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  : 4267.98(32) keV @ arXiv:1308.3815

- Q-value of  $^{238}\text{U}$  ( $\alpha$ -decay) : 4270 keV

Impossible to avoid

→ required particle ID

→ Developing  $\text{CaF}_2$  Scintillating Bolometer



# CaF<sub>2</sub> Scintillating Bolometer

- History of CaF<sub>2</sub> Scintillating Bolometer R&D

Year	1992	1997	2017
Purpose	DBD	DM	DBD
Crystal	CaF <sub>2</sub> (Eu) (Eu :0.01~0.07%)	CaF <sub>2</sub> (Eu) (Eu :0.30%±0.08)	CaF <sub>2</sub> (pure)
Mass	2.5 g	300 mg	312 g
Sensor	NTD-Ge	NTD-Ge	MMC
Light detector	Si-PD	Ge wafer	Ge wafer

↑ Our R&D

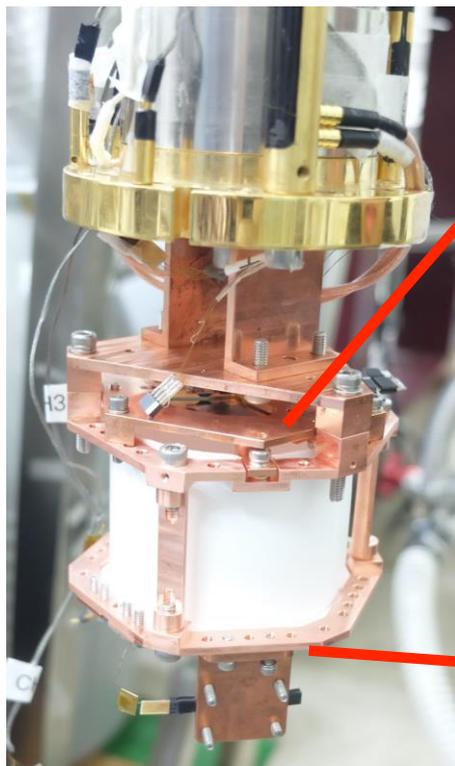
- Unique points of our R&D

- Undoped CaF<sub>2</sub> crystal
  - Radio-pure crystal is available ← developed by CANDLES project
  - Large light output at low temperature
- MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter) as sensors

# Development for $\text{CaF}_2$ Scinti.-Bolometer

- Collaborative research with Korean colleague  
Yong-Hamb Kim (IBS & KRISS)  
Minkyu Lee (KRISS)  
Inwook Kim  
Do-Hyoung Kwon  
Hyejin Lee  
Hye-Lim Kim
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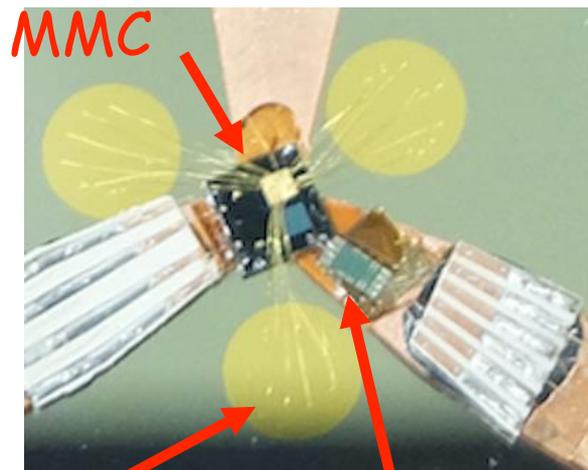
# CaF<sub>2</sub> Scintillating Bolometer Setup



CaF<sub>2</sub>(pure)



Ge wafer  
(Light absorber)



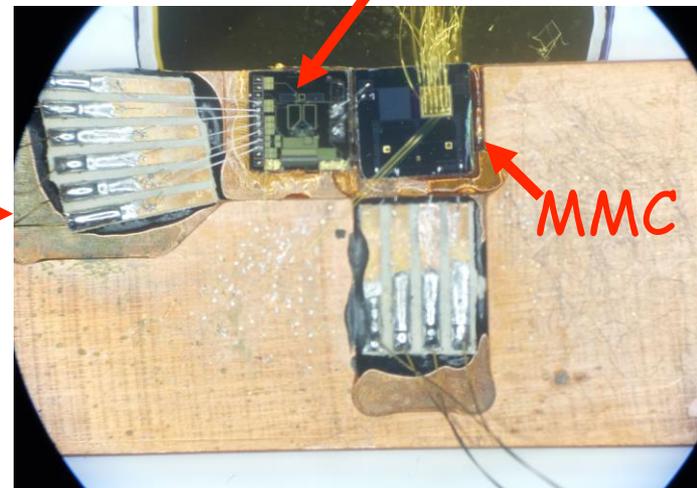
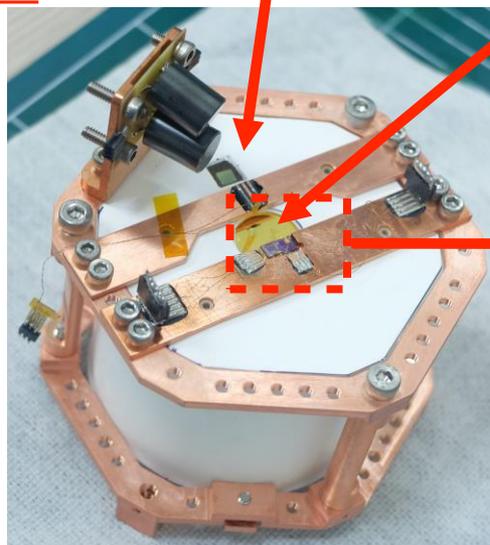
MMC

SQUID

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detector

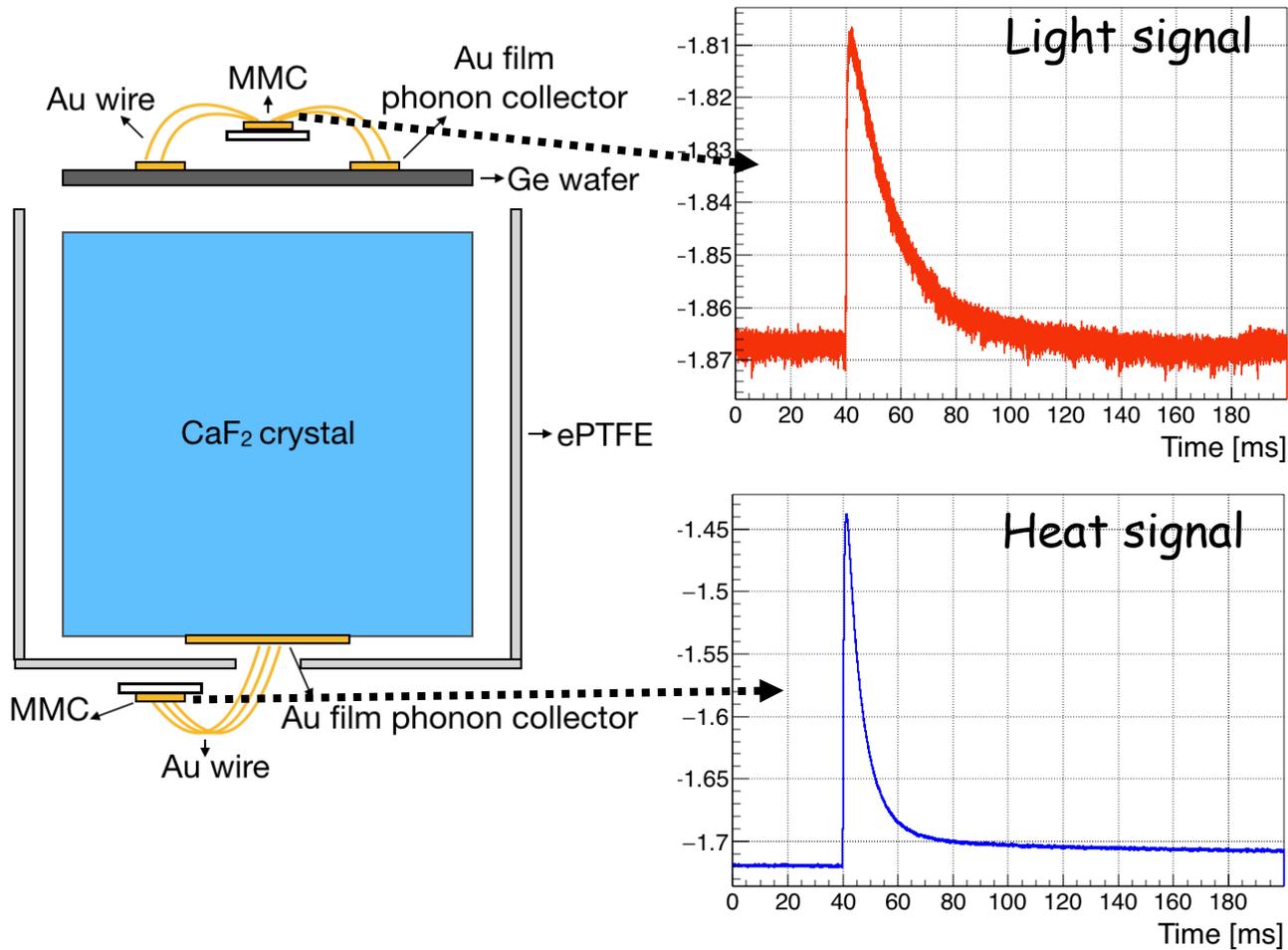
Heater

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MMC

# Signals from $\text{CaF}_2$ Bolometer

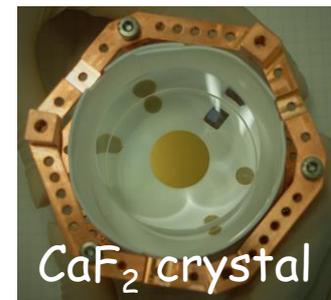
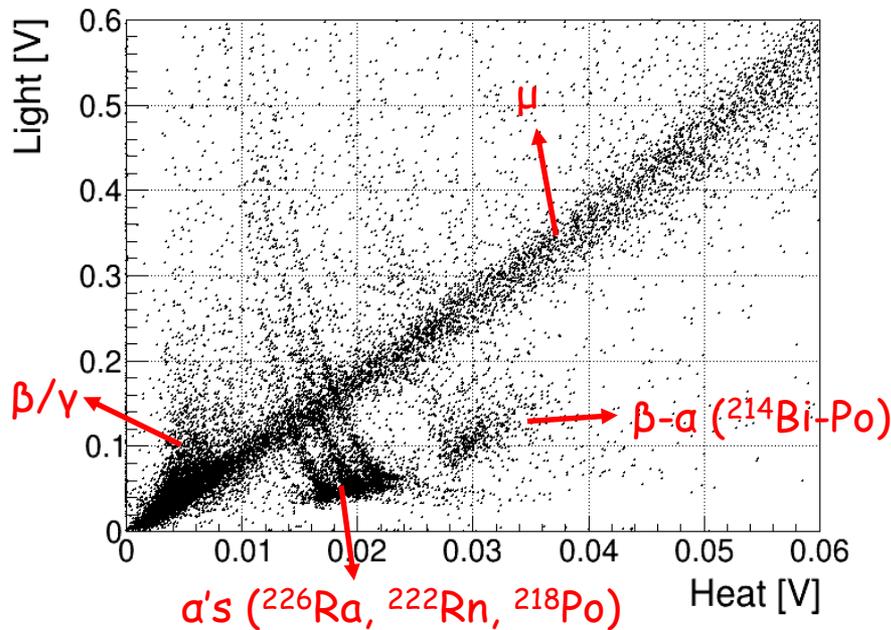
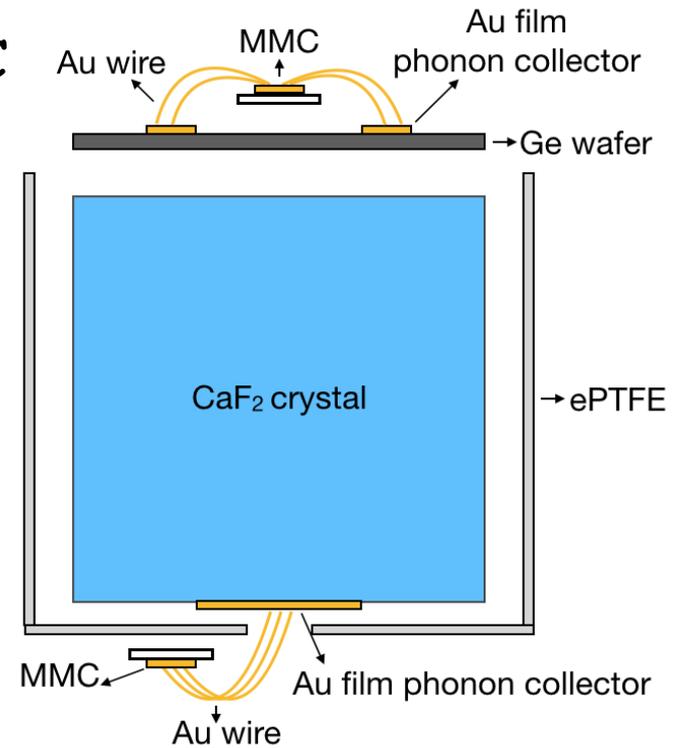


- The rise time ;  $\sim 0.7\text{ms}$ .
- The decay time ;  $\sim 8\text{ms}$ ,  $\sim 200\text{ msec}$

# CaF<sub>2</sub>(pure) Scintillating Bolometer

- First Challenge using CaF<sub>2</sub>(pure) and MMC

- Crystal: CaF<sub>2</sub>(pure)
  - Volume: 300g (5cm $\phi$ ×5cm)
  - Emission peak : 280nm
  - Light output: 25,000 photons/MeV

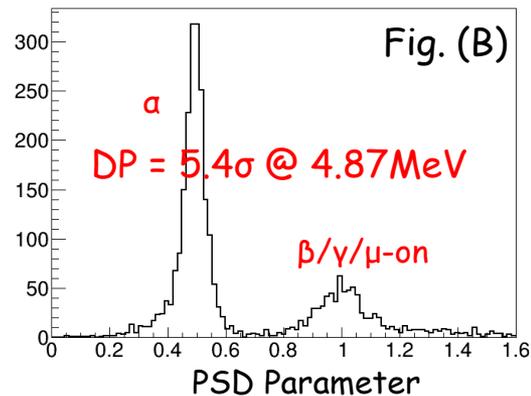
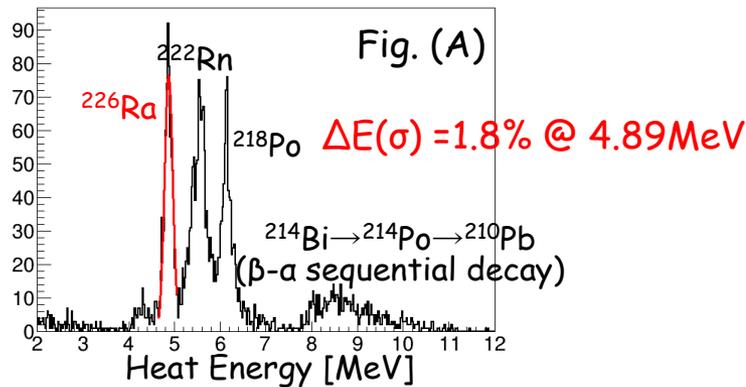
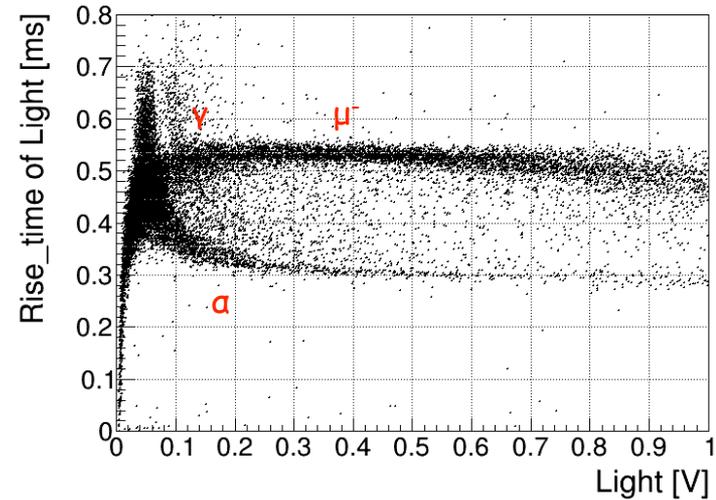
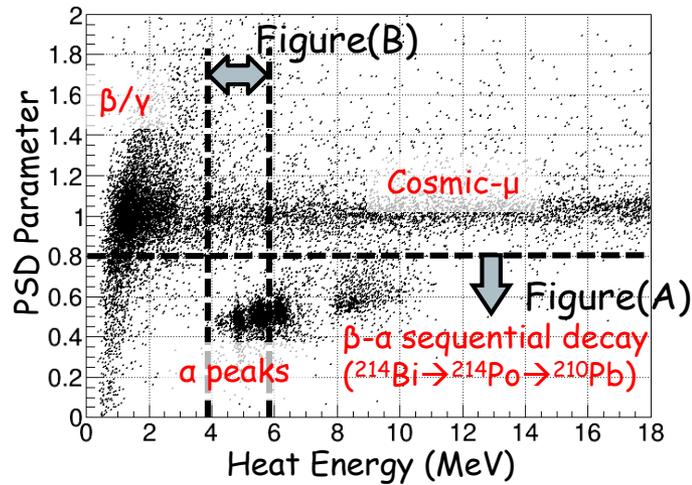


- Problem

- UV scintillation of CaF<sub>2</sub> is absorbed on Au-deposit for heat signal. There is position dependence of scintillation absorption. → make worse E-resolution.

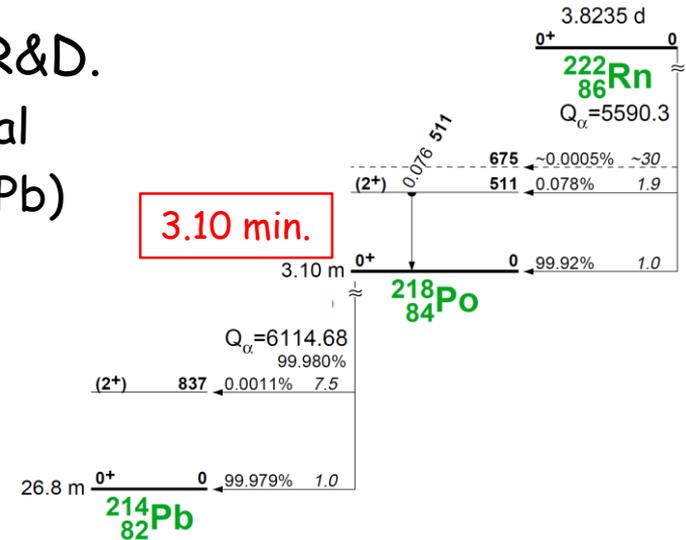
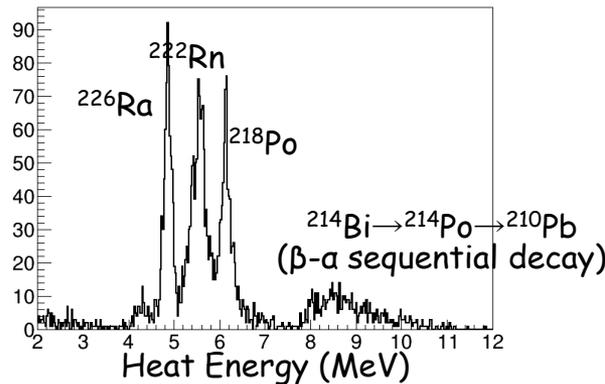
# Resolution and Discrimination

- The rising/decay time of signal depend on particles.
- define PSD parameter
  - Heat/Light ratio
  - Rising/Decaying time of both signals

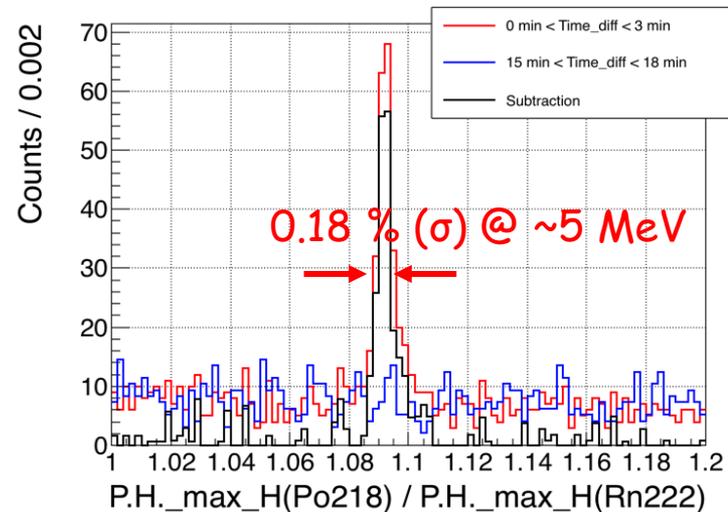
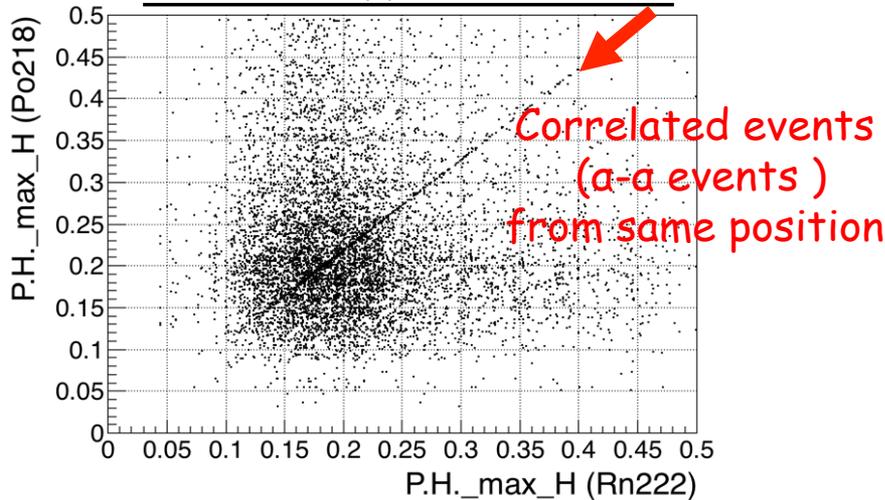


# Position dependence

- We use contaminated  $\text{CaF}_2$  crystal for R&D.
  - $\sim 30$  mBq of  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  (U-chain) within crystal
  - Delayed coincidence ( $^{222}\text{Rn} \rightarrow ^{218}\text{Po} \rightarrow ^{214}\text{Pb}$ )

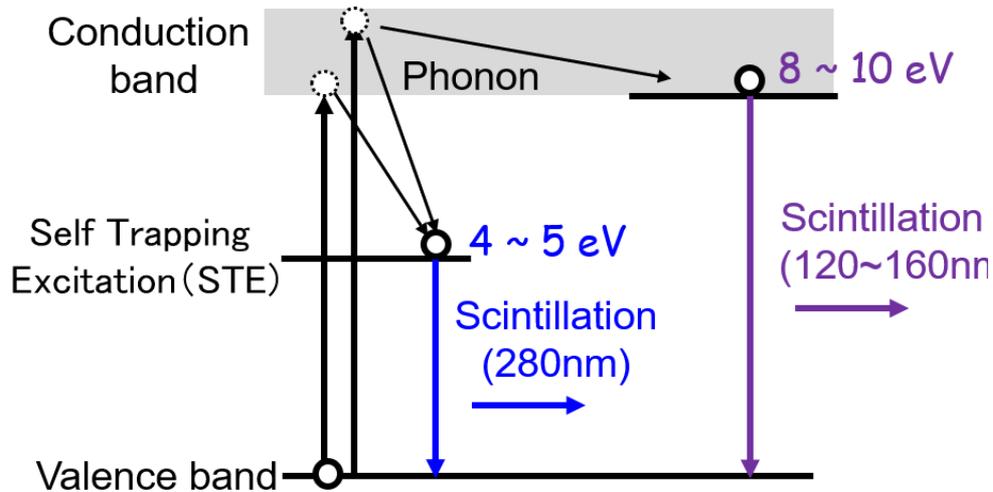


$0 < \text{Time difference} < 3\text{min}$

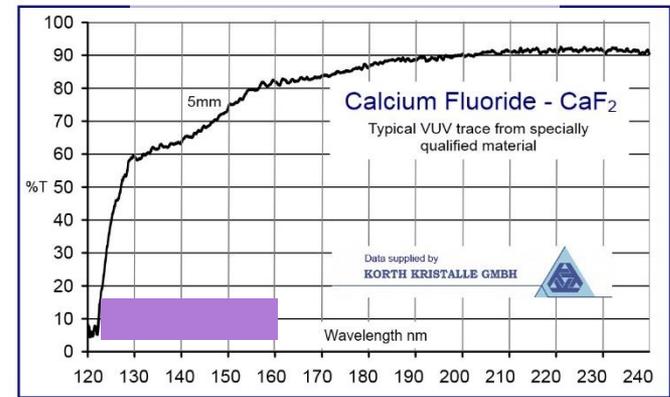


Evaluated ideal energy resolution without position dependence

# Position dependence of Light Signal



CaF<sub>2</sub> Transparency  
(5mm thick)

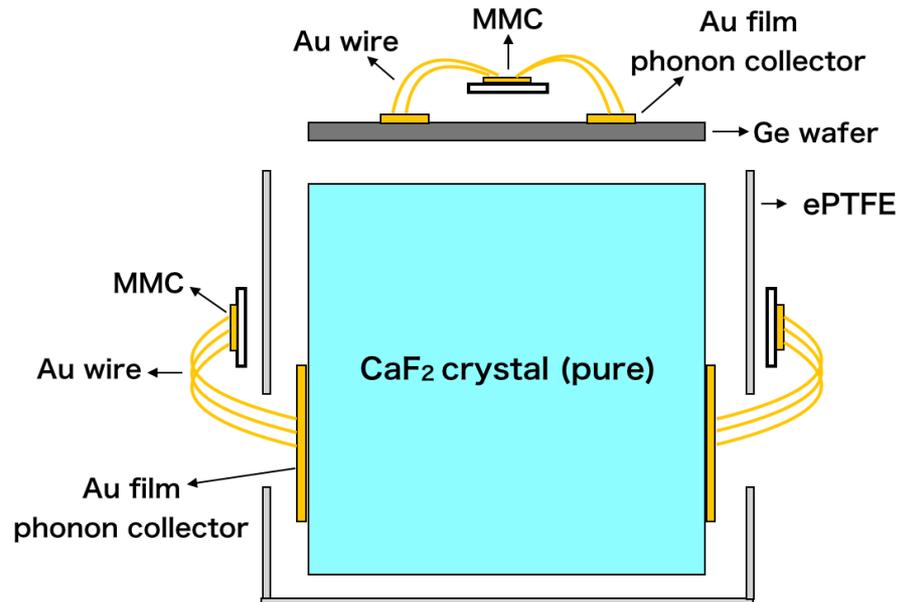


- CaF<sub>2</sub>(pure) crystal has a conduction band at 8~ 10 eV in addition to 4~5 eV [Ref.].
- Large amount of VUV light (120 ~ 160 nm) may be emitted in the case of  $\alpha$ -particles, having a large energy loss density. In the CaF<sub>2</sub> crystal, the attenuation length of VUV light is about 5 mm, so VUV is detected only in the event near the LD.

[Reference] J. Birth et al., Phys. Rev. B41.3291

# Prospects for the development

- Improving E-resolution of  $\text{CaF}_2$ (pure) scintillating bolometer
  - Radio-pure  $\text{CaF}_2$ (pure) crystal had been developed.
  - Doping Eu may affect phonon propagation in  $\text{CaF}_2$  crystal.
- **New trial in the next step**
  - $\text{CaF}_2$ (pure) crystal with multi-phonon detector.
  - high-precision position information



# Summary

- Bolometric measurement of temperature increase is promising technique to obtain good energy resolution, down to ~ several keV at ~MeV region.
- Scintillating bolometer has; good particle identification
- Experiments are on going
  - CUORE → CUPID
  - AMoRE
- Scintillating bolometer of undoped  $\text{CaF}_2$  was firstly demonstrated, and evaluated performance of detector.
  - $\Delta E(\sigma) = 1.8 \% @ \sim 5\text{MeV}$ , not good due to position dependence.
  - PID  $\sim 5\sigma$  separation (undoped  $\text{CaF}_2$ ) ,  $10\sigma$  ( $\text{CaF}_2(\text{Eu})$ )
  - $\Delta E(\sigma) = 0.18 \% @ \sim 5\text{MeV}$  w/o position dependence
- We will start to develop Ca bolometer in Osaka.
  - using NTD-Ge, first → another sensor.

# In Future

- To explore normal ordering region, down to  $\sim$  several meV, multi-ton scale scintillating bolometer facility will be required.
  - Cooling power of dilution refrigerator,  $\sim$  several mW@100 mK
  - Increasing number of crystal ;  $\sim$  a few to several 1000 crystals
  - readout sensors  $\rightarrow$  readout cables ; 10000 of cables ?
- Very important to reduce incoming heat flow to cold stage.
  - Multiplex readout system should be developed for reducing number of readout cables (heat flow) by frequency domain readout system.