

AMoRE: Double Beta Decay Search with CaMoO_4

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AMoRE Collaboration

Advanced Mo based Rare process Experiment

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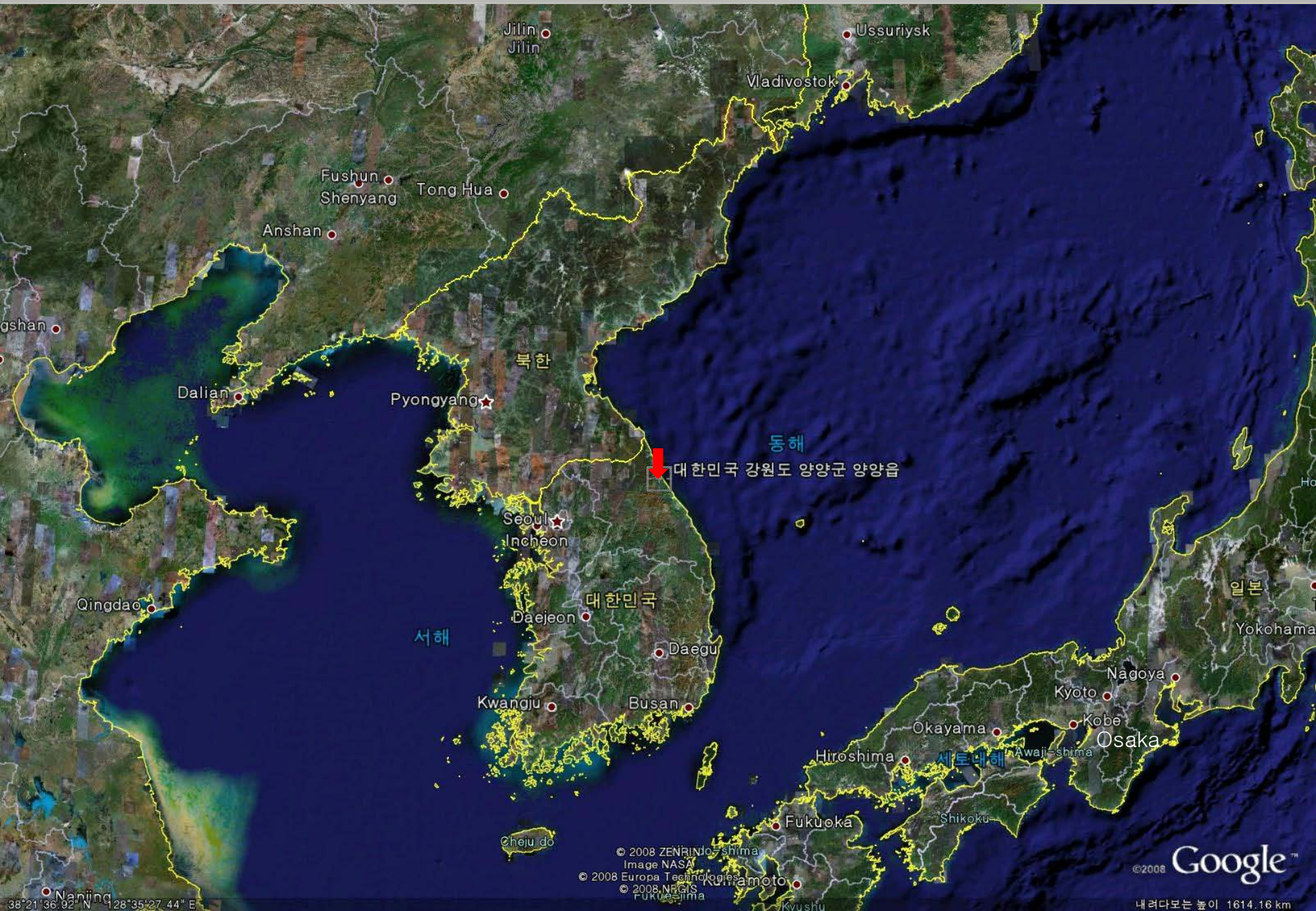
5 countries
9 institutions
~70 collaborators

AMoRE

- Search for DBD of Mo-100
- WIMP search
- With CaMoO_4 crystal



Yangyang Underground Laboratory(Y2L)



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내려다보는 높이 1614.16 km

YangYang Underground Laboratory (Y2L)

(Upper Dam)

Y2L

- Located in a tunnel of Yangyang Pumped Storage Power Plant Korea Middleland Power Co.
- Minimum vertical depth : 700 m
- Access to the lab by car (~2km)
- In operation since 2003

Experiments:

- KIMS: DM search exp. in operation
- AMORE: DBD Search exp. in preparation (additional laboratory space in design)

(Power Plant)

(Lower Dam)

양양양수발전소



DBD Searches at Y2L

- Passive targets : HPGe + CsI(Tl) [*Nuclear Physics A 793 (2007)*]
 - ^{64}Zn EC+ β^+ decay
 - ^{124}Sn $\beta\beta$ to excited states of ^{124}Te
 - ^{112}Sn EC+ β^+ decay
- Active targets
 - ^{124}Sn $0\nu\beta\beta$: Sn loaded Liquid scintillator
[*Astropart. Phys. 31,412 (2009)*]
 - ^{84}Sr EC+ β^+ decay : SrCl_2 crystal
 - ^{92}Mo EC+ β^+ decay : $\text{Ca}^{\text{nat}}\text{MoO}_4$ crystal
[*Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 654, 157 (2011)*]
 - ^{100}Mo $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay : $\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystal \rightarrow AMoRE

Zn-64 EC+β⁺ decay

HPGe + Zn(8x8x1cm, 457g)+CsI(Tl) crystal

- ❑ 100% of HPGe
- ❑ 350m underground
- ❑ 10cm low background lead,
- ❑ 10cm copper and N2 flowing

Calibration by Na22 (β+ radioactive source)

Efficiency calculation by Geant4; 3%

1 week data;

Coincidence cut with 2 sigma range ; 1 event

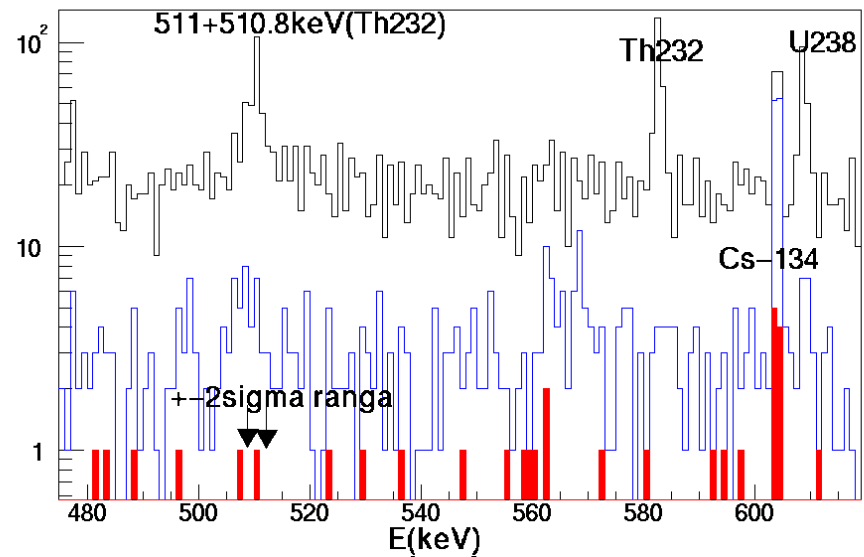
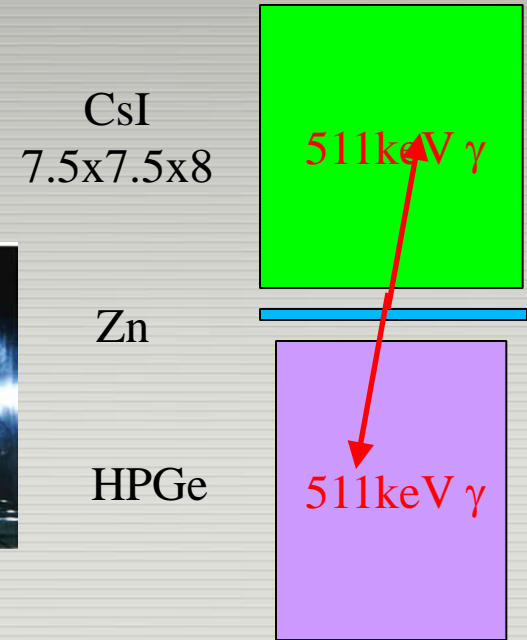
⇒ 2×10^{20} year by 95% CL

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(1.1×10^{19} y) Positive evidence by I.BIKIT et.al,

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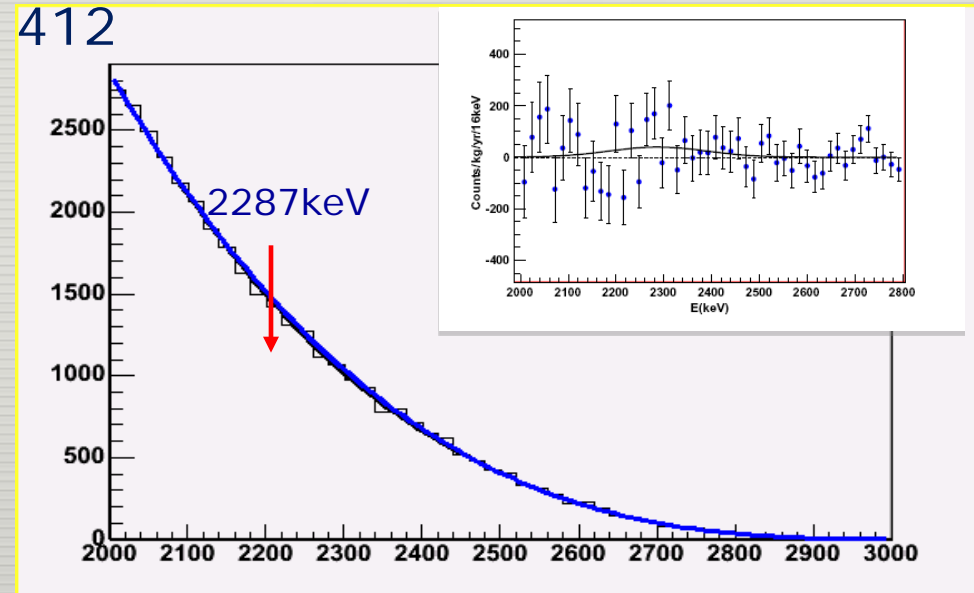
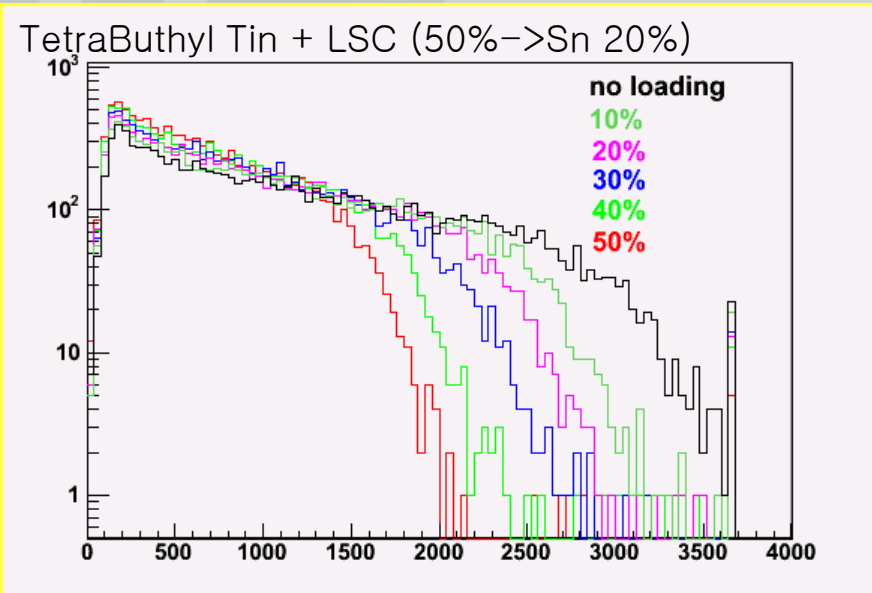
≤ 25% HPGe + NaI(Tl) with 350g Zn at surface



0ν bb search with Sn-loaded LSC

Double beta decay search with ^{124}Sn
 $Q = 2287 \text{ keV}$
5% of natural abundance

- 1.1 liter 33% Tin-loaded Liquid scintillator
- 9 Month data at Y2L inside of Pb shielding
- Astropart. Phys. 31 (2009) 412

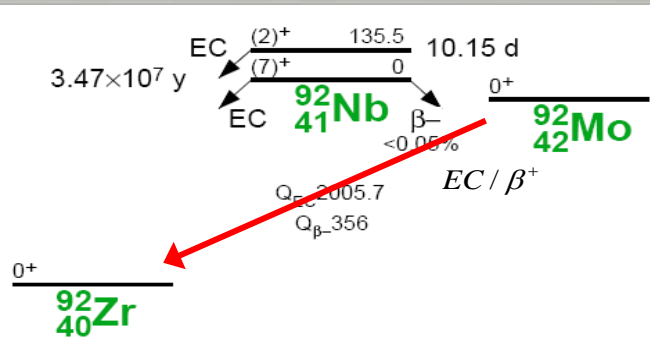


$T_{1/2} > 2.0 \times 10^{19} \text{ yr at 90\% C.L}$

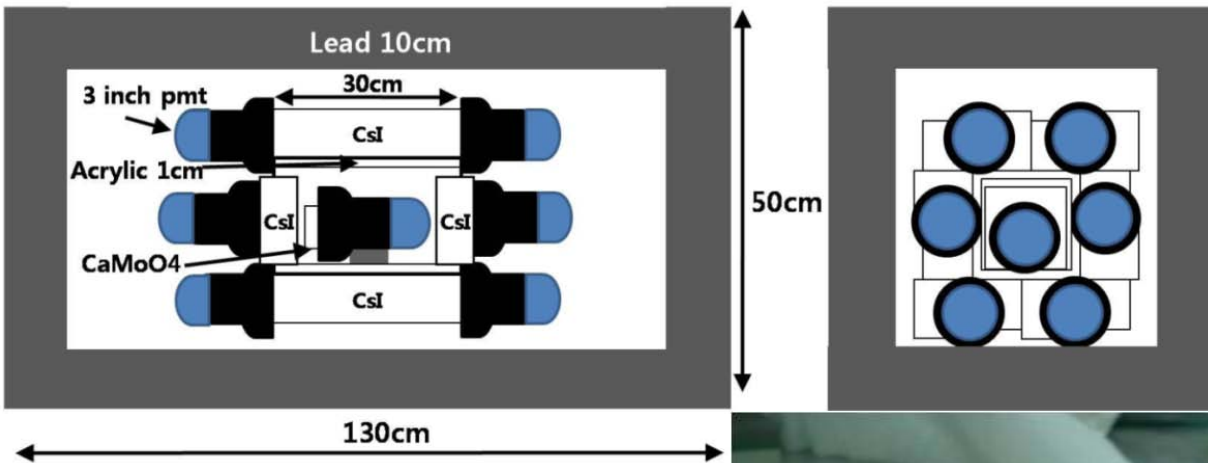
Previous limit:

$T_{1/2} > 2.4 \times 10^{17} \text{ yr at 90\% C.L}$

EC/ β^+ decay of ^{92}Mo

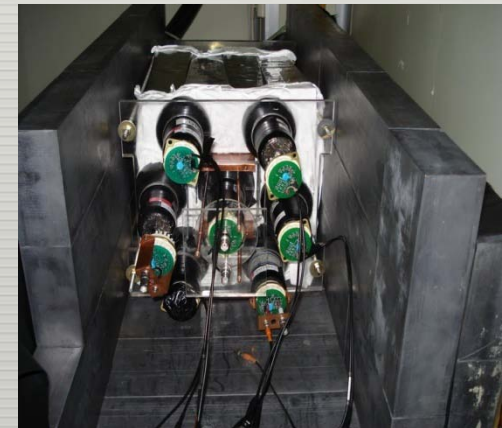
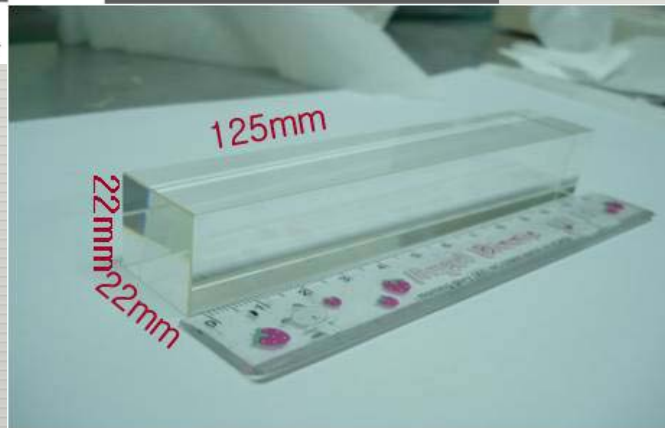


- $(A, Z) + e^- \rightarrow (A, Z-2) + e^+ + 628\text{keV}(\text{Q-value})$
- e^+ stops in active(CaMoO_4) Crystal.
- back to back 511 keV gammas at CsI(Tl)
- Abundance = ^{92}Mo : 14.84%, ^{100}Mo : 9.63%

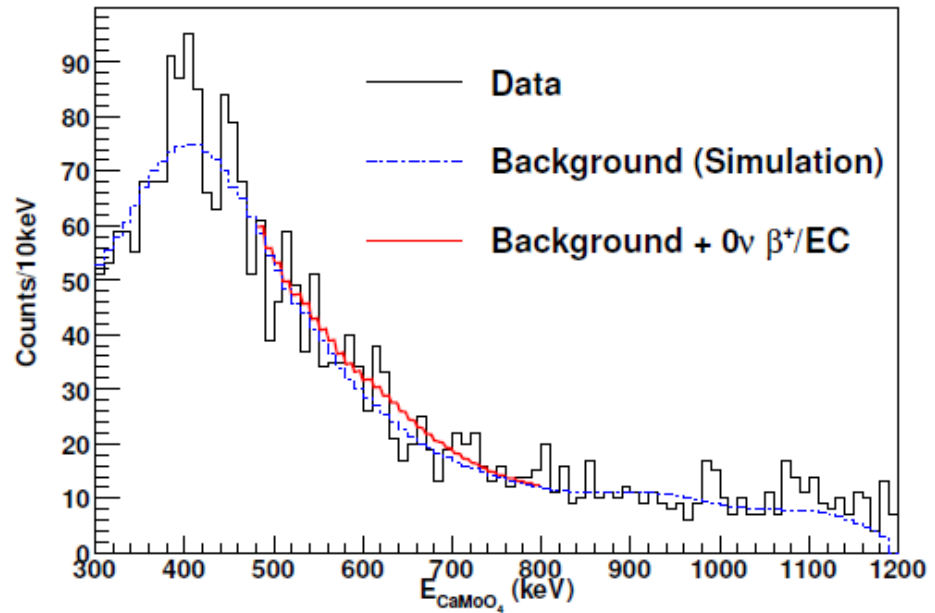
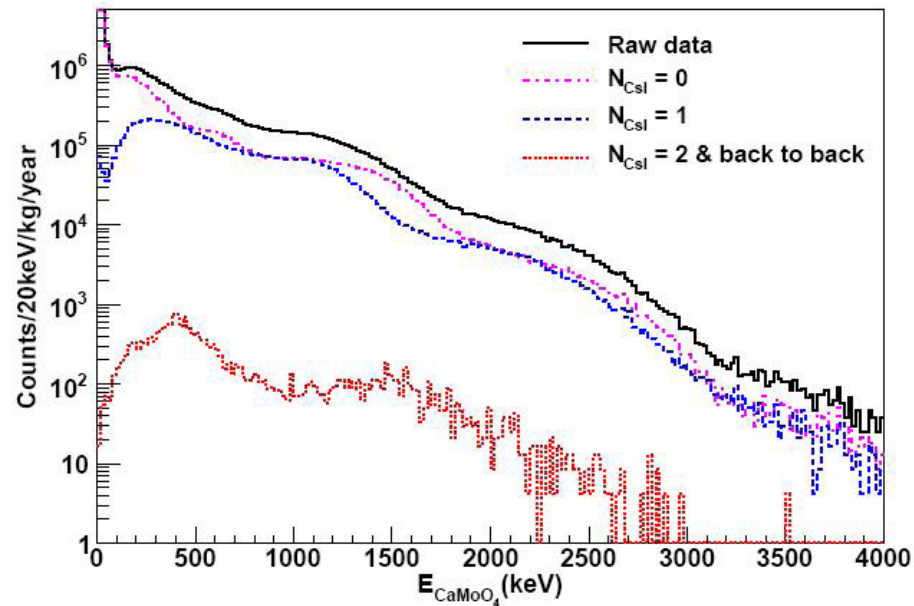


4pi coverage by CsI(Tl) crystal (not high radiopurity)

CaMoO₄ crystal :
2.2x2.2x6cm (2) : 255g



Mo-92 EC



44.1 events at 90 % confidence level

> 2.3×10^{20} years at 90 % confidence level

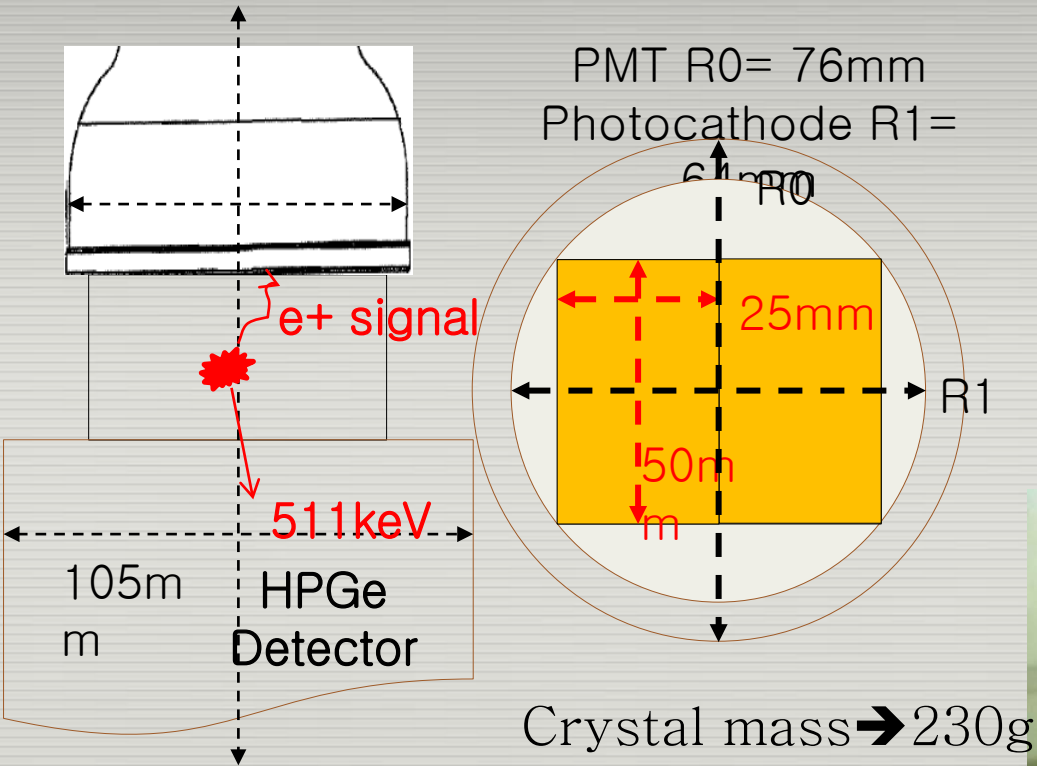
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> 1.9×10^{20} years by Barabash et al.,

A.S. Barabash *et al.*, *Z. Phys. A 357 351-352 (1997)*

New HPGe detector setup for Mo-92

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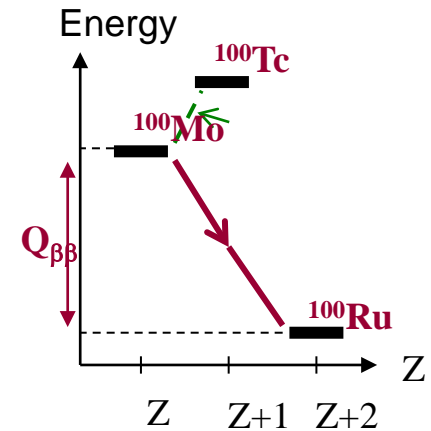
Mass	Diameter	Height
2.8kg	82.1 mm	90.7 mm

100% relative efficiency

CaMoO₄ for 0νββ

CaMoO₄

- DBD for Mo-100 (3034 keV), Ca-48(4272 keV)
high Q-value → less background
- Mo-100 enrichment >90% not so difficult
- for Mo-100 search, Ca-48 needs to be depleted
- Scintillator
 - At room temp; 10-20% of CsI(Tl) at 20° (9300 photons/MeV)
 - Decay time ; 16 μ sec
 - LY increases at lower temp. (almost the same as CsI(Tl))
 - Wavelength; 450-650ns-→ RbCs PMT or APD
 - Pulse Shape Discrimination
- Can be used as cryogenic detector
 - Debye temperature: 438 K (Ge : 360 K, Si: 625 K)
 - Combining with Scintillation detection : NR, alpha/gamma separation
 - **Good dark matter detector as well**



CaMoO₄ crystal development



Korea(2003)



Ukraine-CARAT(2006)



Russia(2006)



Russia (2007)



30x30x200mm

Crystal Characteristics

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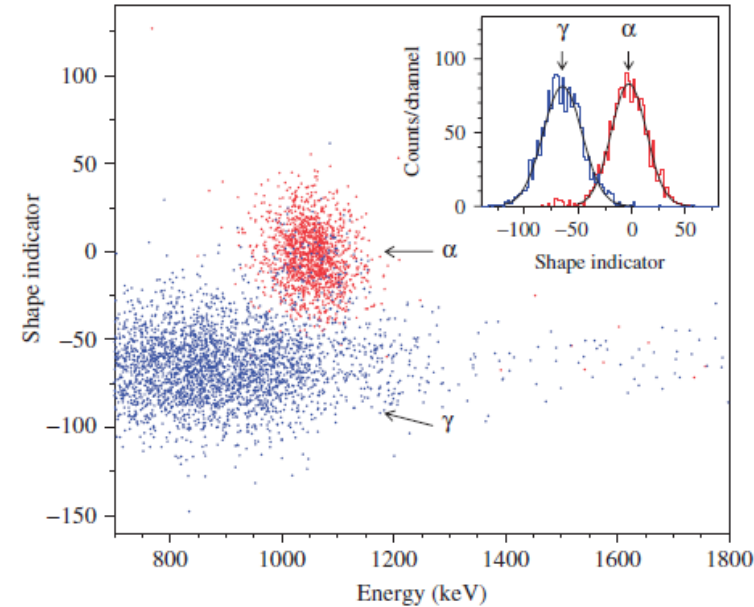
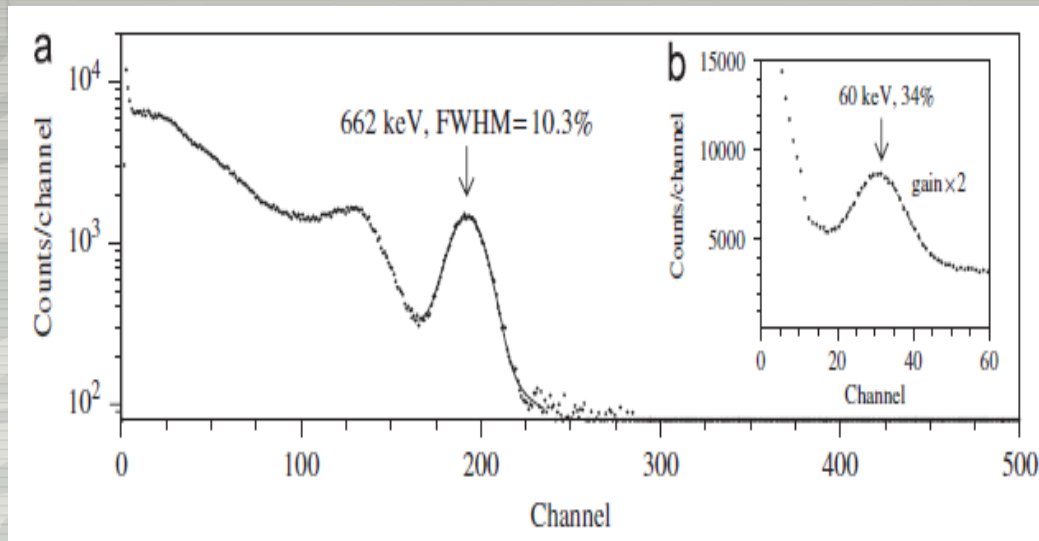


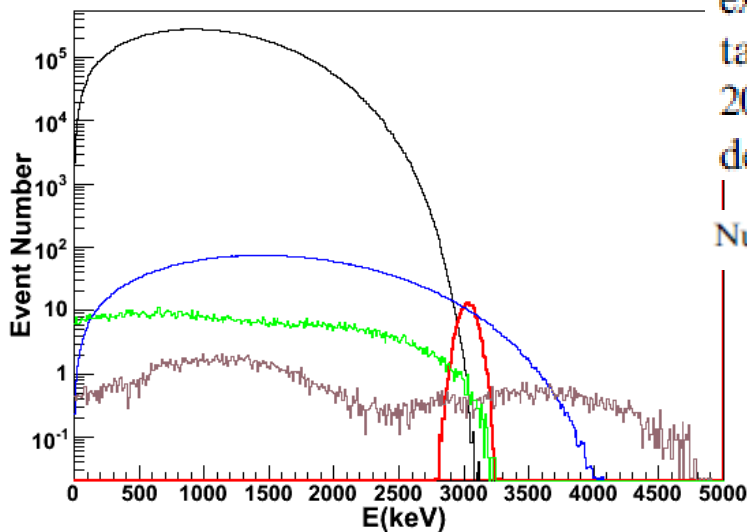
Table 4
Radioactive contaminations in CaMoO_4 , CaWO_4 , and CdWO_4 crystal scintillators

Source	Activity (mBq/kg)					
	CMO-2	CMO-3	CMO-4	CMO-5	CaWO [29]	CdWO [3,6,48,49]
^{232}Th	≤ 0.7	≤ 0.7	≤ 0.9	≤ 1.5	0.69(10)	0.053(5)
^{228}Th	0.23(10)	0.42(17)	0.4(4)	0.04(2)	0.6(2)	$\leq 0.004 - 0.039(2)$
^{238}U	≤ 0.5	≤ 0.6	≤ 0.6	≤ 1.5	5.6(5)	≤ 0.004
^{226}Ra	2.1(4)	2.5(5)	2.4(1.3)	0.13(4)	5.6(5)	≤ 0.004
^{210}Pb	≤ 398	≤ 401	≤ 550	≤ 17	≤ 430	≤ 0.4
^{210}Po	420(10)	490(10)	550(20)	≤ 8	291(5)	≤ 0.4
^{40}K	≤ 1.1	≤ 2.1	≤ 2.5	≤ 3	≤ 12	0.3(1)
^{90}Sr	≤ 62	≤ 178	≤ 50	≤ 23	≤ 70	≤ 0.2

Enrichment & Depletion

Mo-100 enrichment : 96.1% (production capability : 30 kg/y)

Ca-48 depletion < 0.001% (Natural abundance is 0.187%)



experiment. However, further improvement will be difficult task: the half-life limit of 10^{25} yr could be reached only with 200 kg yr statistics. More sensitive searches for ^{100}Mo $0\nu 2\beta$ decay will evidently need the depletion of Ca in ^{48}Ca .⁵

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Depleted Ca : ~ 30 kg available (Ca-48 < 0.001%)

➔ Good for 100 kg CaMoO₄ crystals

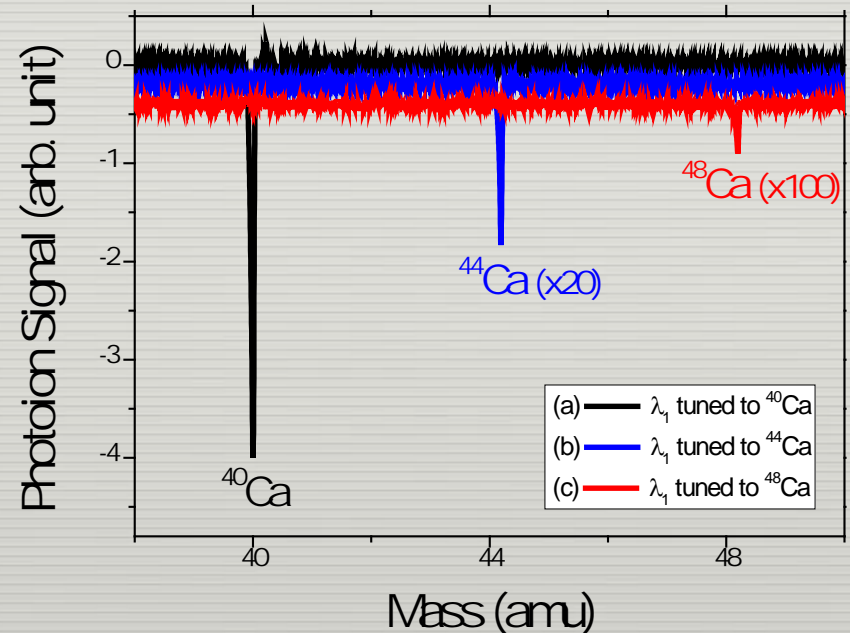
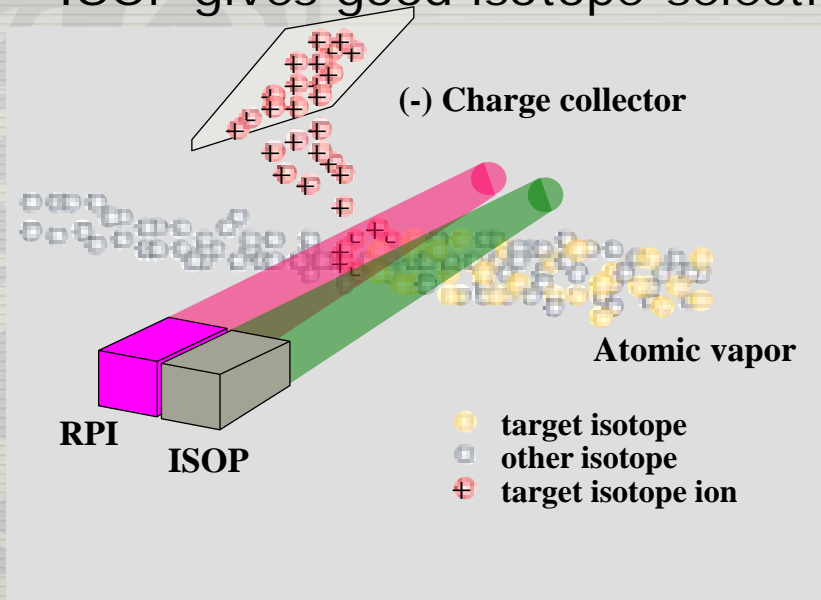
^{48}Ca Enrichment/Depletion at KAERI (Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute)

◆ ALSIS (Advanced Laser Stable Isotope Separation)

- Features : Isotope-Selective Optical Pumping (ISOP)

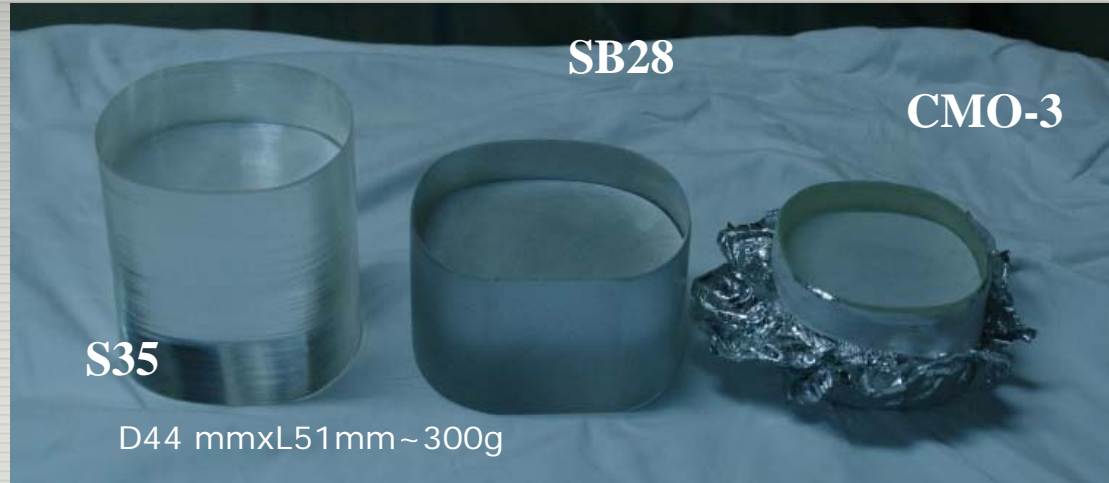
followed by Non-selective Resonant Photoionization (RPI)

- ISOP gives good isotope-selectivity and non-selective RPI high yield.

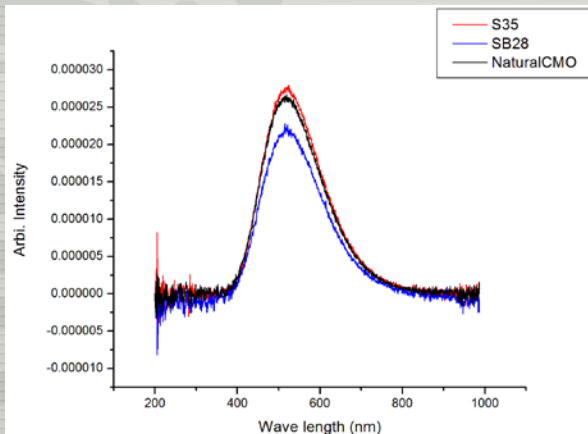


◆ Engineering Demonstration (2010~2012)

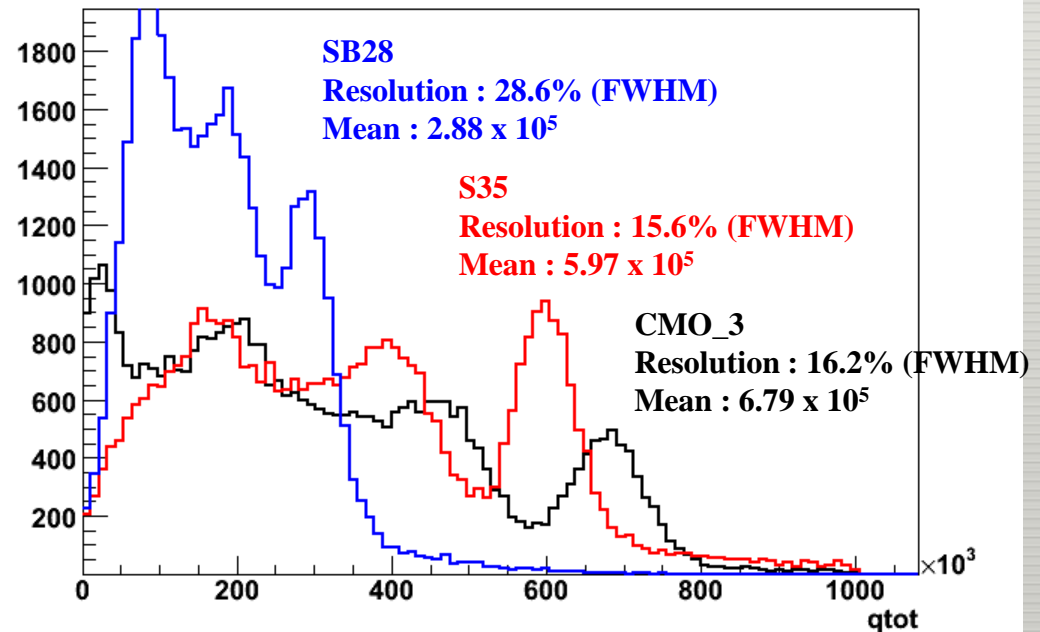
Production capability (Ca-48) : 1kg/yr



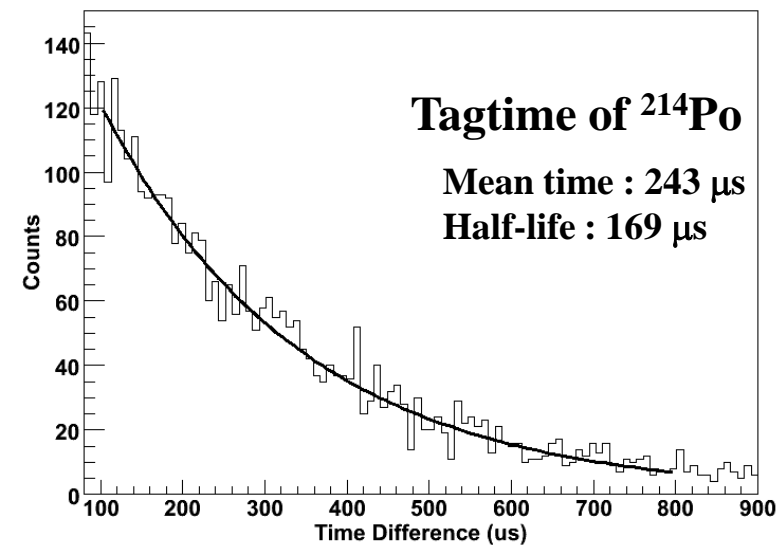
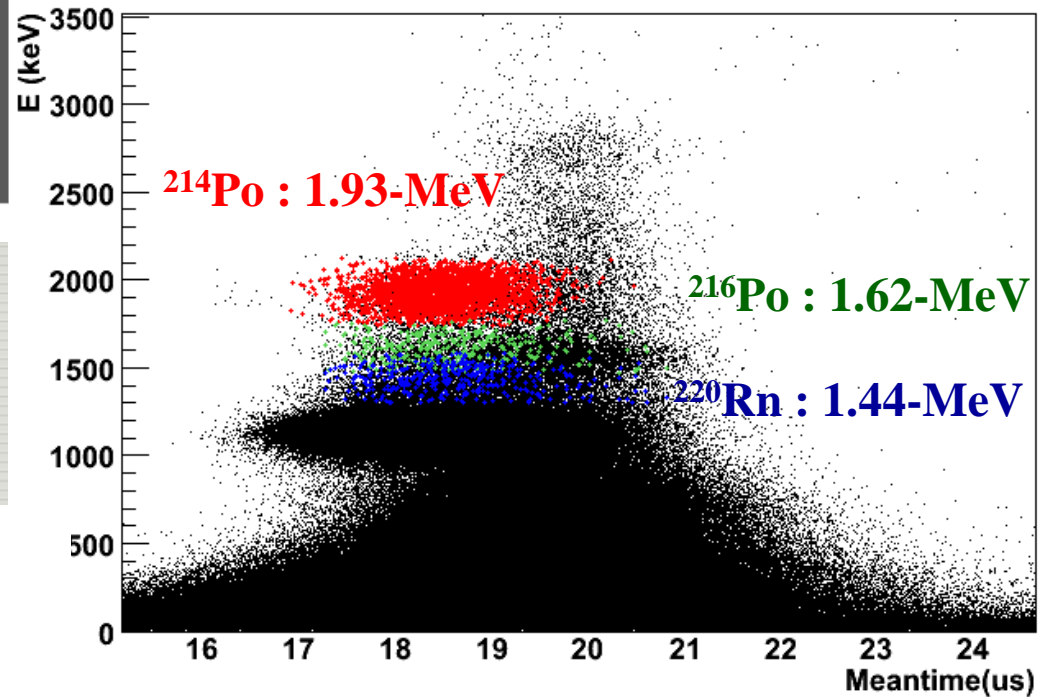
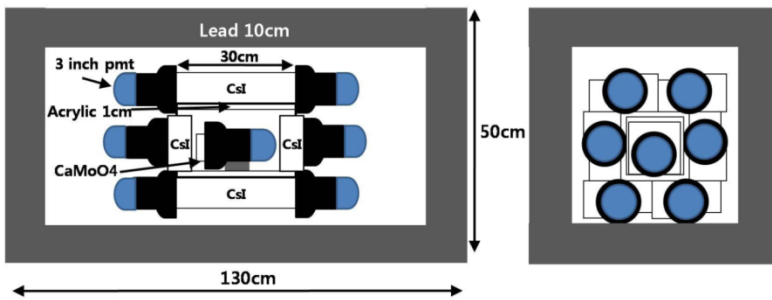
3 crystals with enriched material ~ 845g
Good scintillation property



Emission spectra

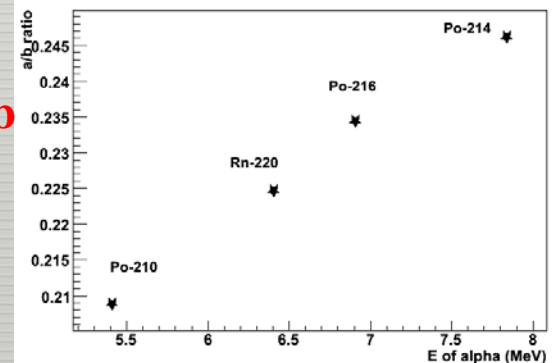


Preliminary data analysis



β - α decay
 $^{214}\text{Bi} \rightarrow ^{214}\text{Po} \rightarrow ^{210}\text{Pb}$

α -decay of ^{214}Po
Half life : 164 μs



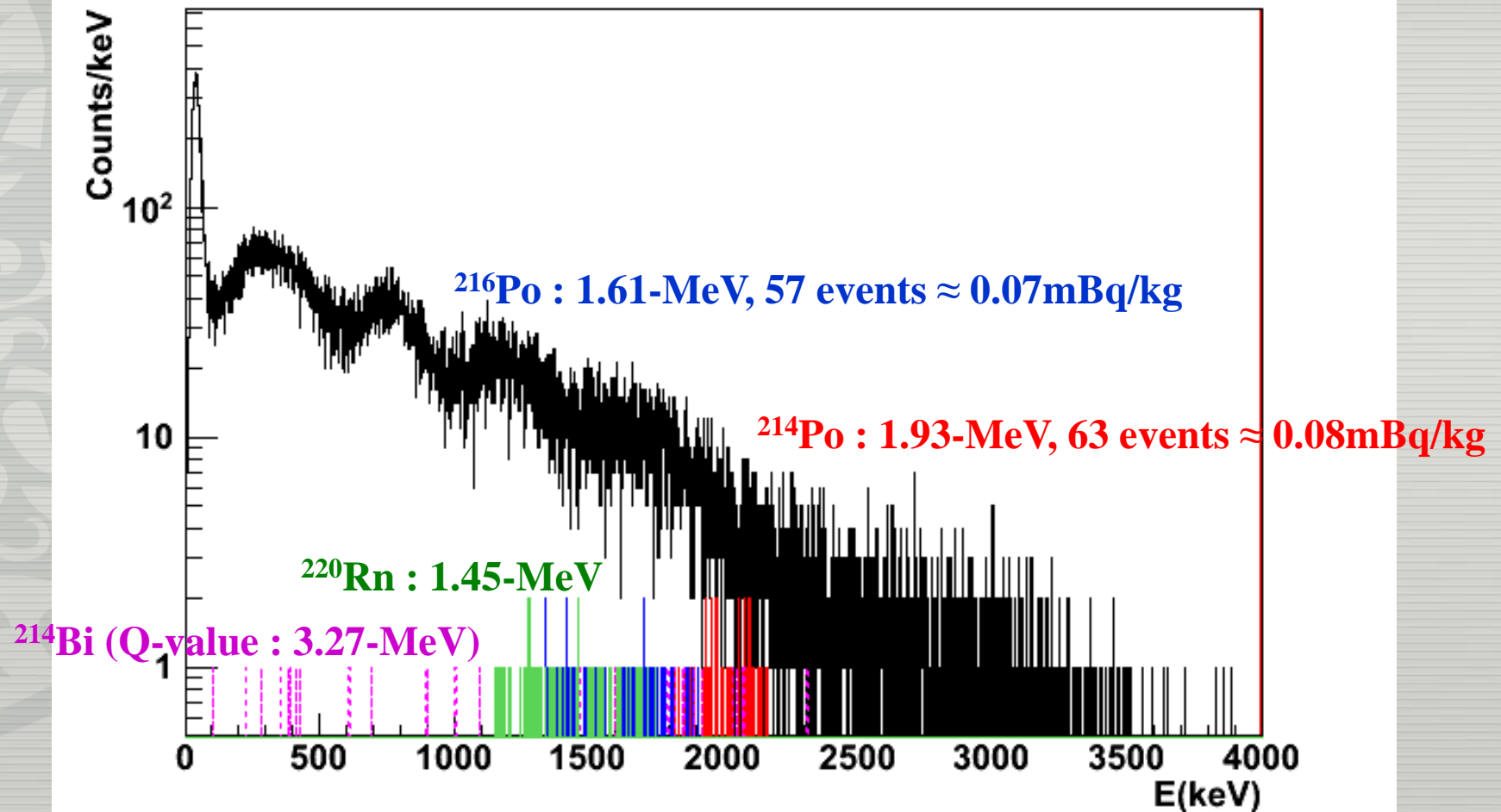
BG spectra of SB28

β - α decay in ^{238}U

^{214}Bi (Q-value : 3.27-MeV) \rightarrow ^{214}Po (Q-value : 7.83-MeV) \rightarrow ^{210}Pb

α - α decay in ^{232}Th

^{220}Rn (Q-value : 6.41-MeV) \rightarrow ^{216}Po (Q-value : 6.91-MeV) \rightarrow ^{212}Pb



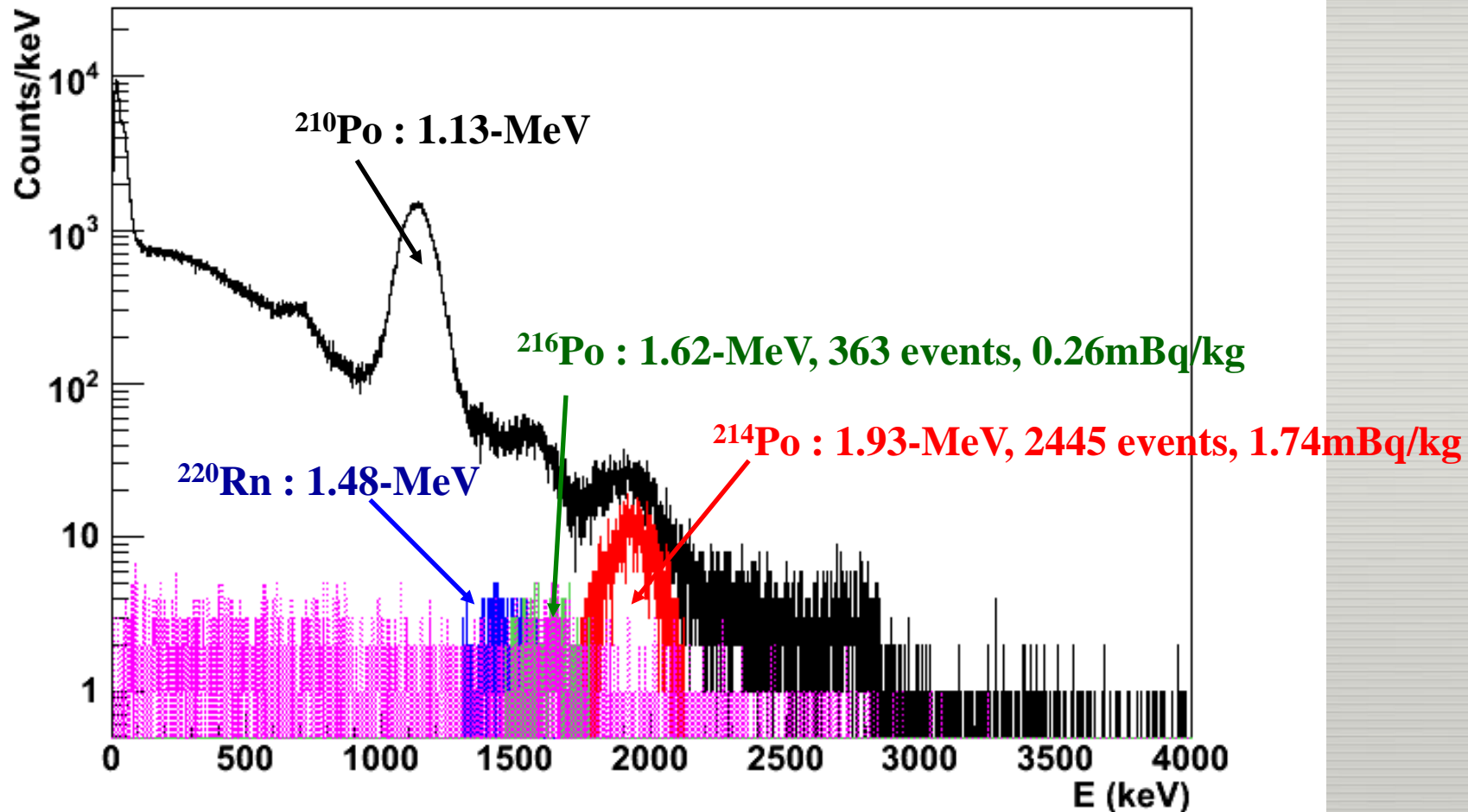
BG spectra of S35

β - α decay in ^{238}U

^{214}Bi (Q-value : 3.27-MeV) \rightarrow ^{214}Po (Q-value : 7.83-MeV) \rightarrow ^{210}Pb

α - α decay in ^{232}Th

^{220}Rn (Q-value : 6.41-MeV) \rightarrow ^{216}Po (Q-value : 6.91-MeV) \rightarrow ^{212}Pb



Background of CaMoO_4 crystals

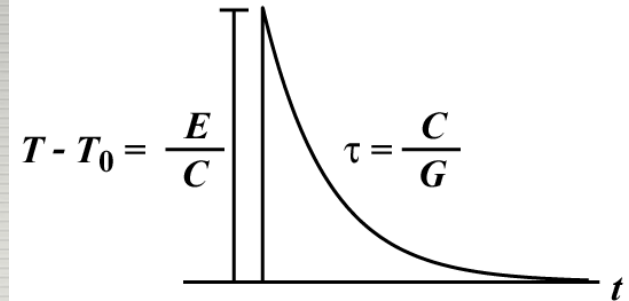
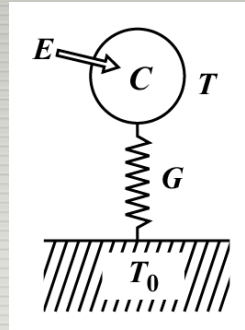
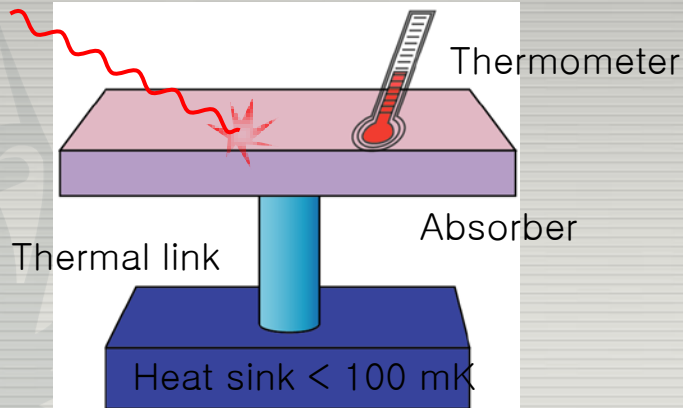
Crystal scintillator	^{226}Ra	^{228}Th	^{210}Po
$^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ (S35)	1.74	0.26	57
$^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ (SB28)	0.08	0.07	
CaMoO_4 (IM ^a)	2.1 – 2.5	0.2 – 0.4	420 – 550
CaMoO_4 (ICMSAI ^b)	0.13	≤ 0.04	≤ 8

→ Setting up pilot experiment (Scintillation at 0°C with S35 / SB28 /...)

Cryogenic Detector

Energy absorption → Heat (Temperature)

α, β, γ , etc.



At room temperature the specific heat of Si is 0.7 J/gK, so

$$E = 1 \text{ keV}, m = 1 \text{ g} \Rightarrow \Delta T = 2 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ K},$$

Choice of thermometers

- **Thermistors (doped Ge, Si)**
- **TES (Transition Edge Sensor)**
- **MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter)**
- STJ, KID etc.

$$C \propto \left(\frac{T}{\Theta} \right)^3$$

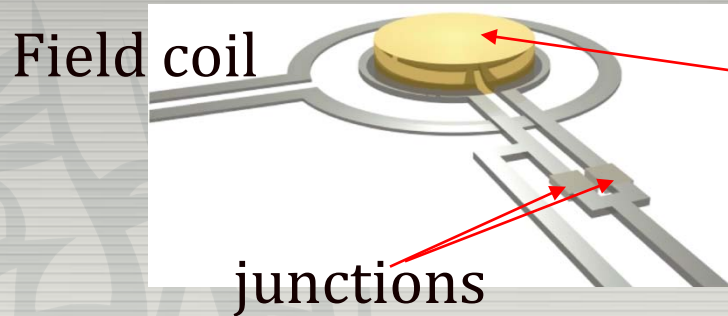
Example

$$T = 0.1 \text{ K}$$

$$\text{Si} \Rightarrow C = 4 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ J/K}$$

$$E = 1 \text{ keV} \Rightarrow \Delta T = 0.04 \text{ K}$$

Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter (MMC)



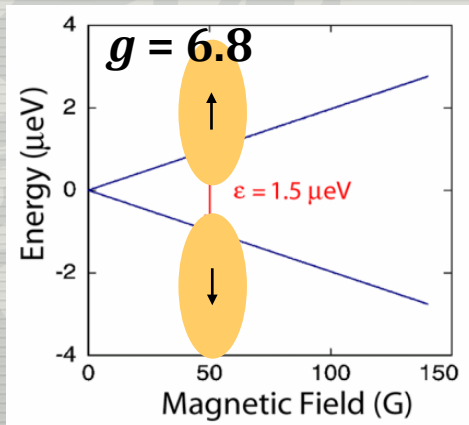
Magnetic material (Au:Er) in dc SQUID

Au:Er(10~1000ppm)

paramagnetic system

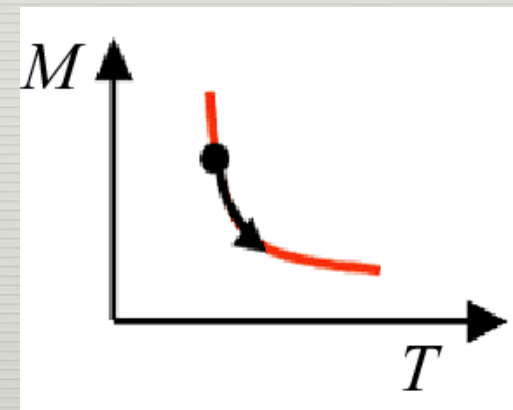
metallic host: fast thermalization ($\sim 1\text{ms}$)

Can control heat capacity by magnetic field



5 mT $\rightarrow \Delta\epsilon = 1.5 \mu\text{eV}$

1 keV $\rightarrow 10^9$ spin flips

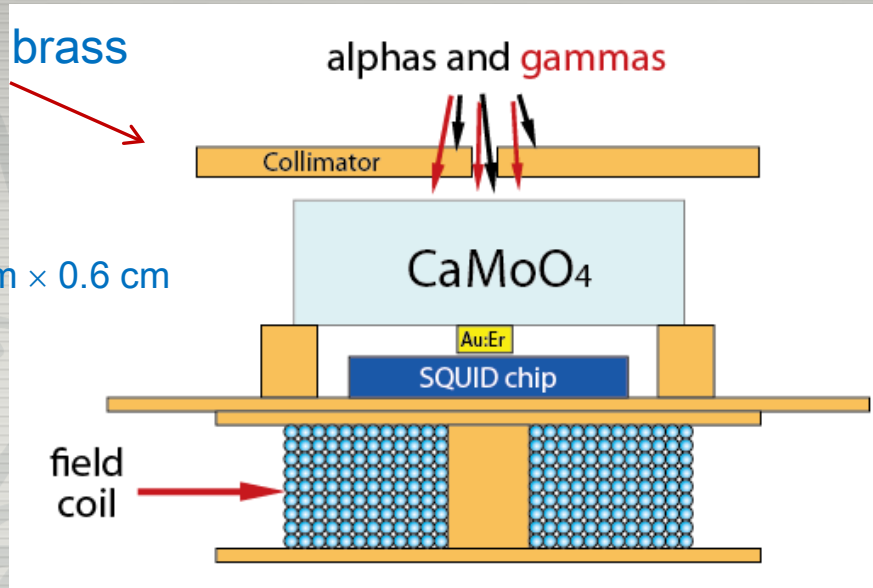


- Fast
- Wide working temperature
- Absorber friendly

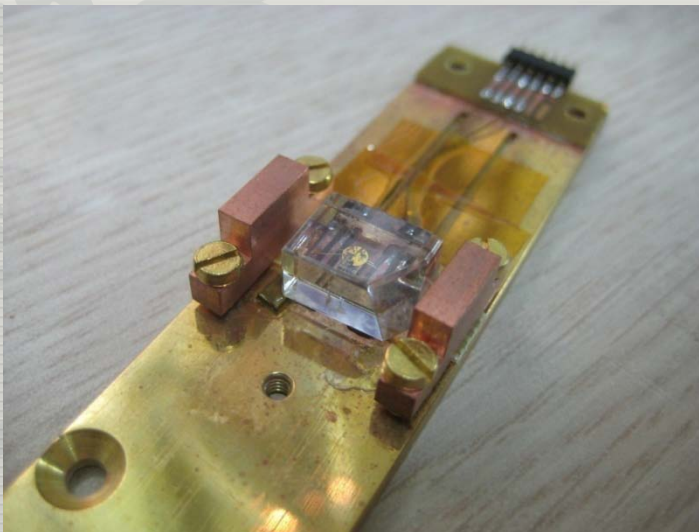
Experimental setup at KRISS with MMC to measure temperature changes

~ 500 μm thick brass

crystal size
~ 1 cm \times 0.7 cm \times 0.6 cm

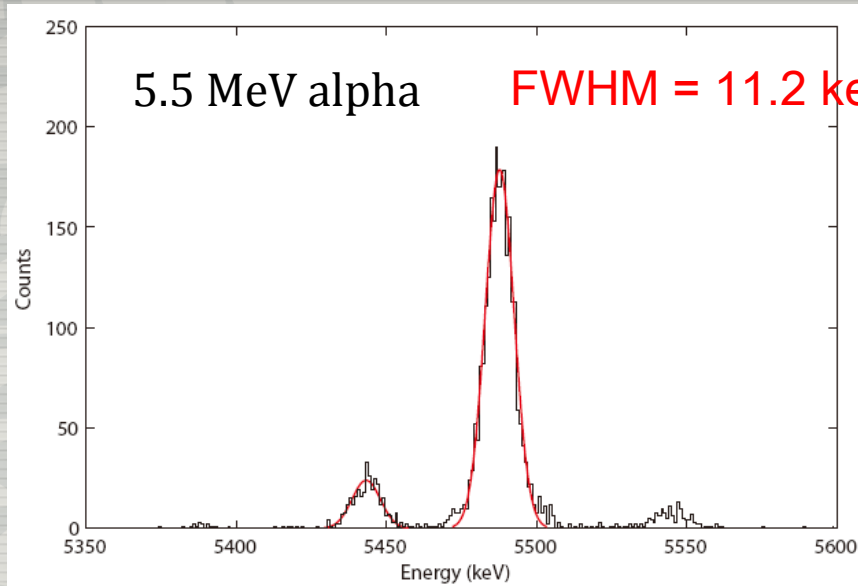


base temperature : 13 ~ 100 mK



Performance of CMO+MMC

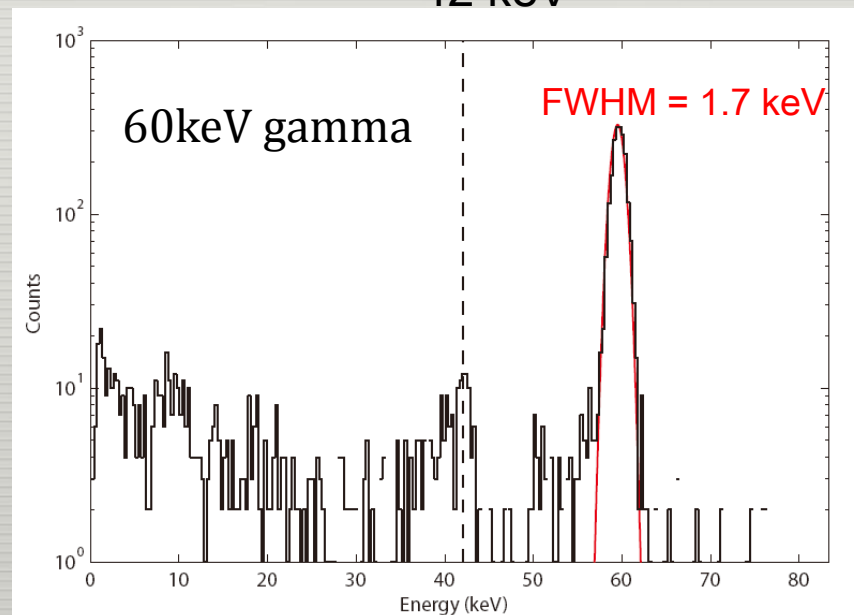
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high energy resolution
suitable to search for Mo-100 $0\nu\beta\beta$

Emission line of Mo : 18keV

42 keV



low energy thresold
suitable to search for WIMP

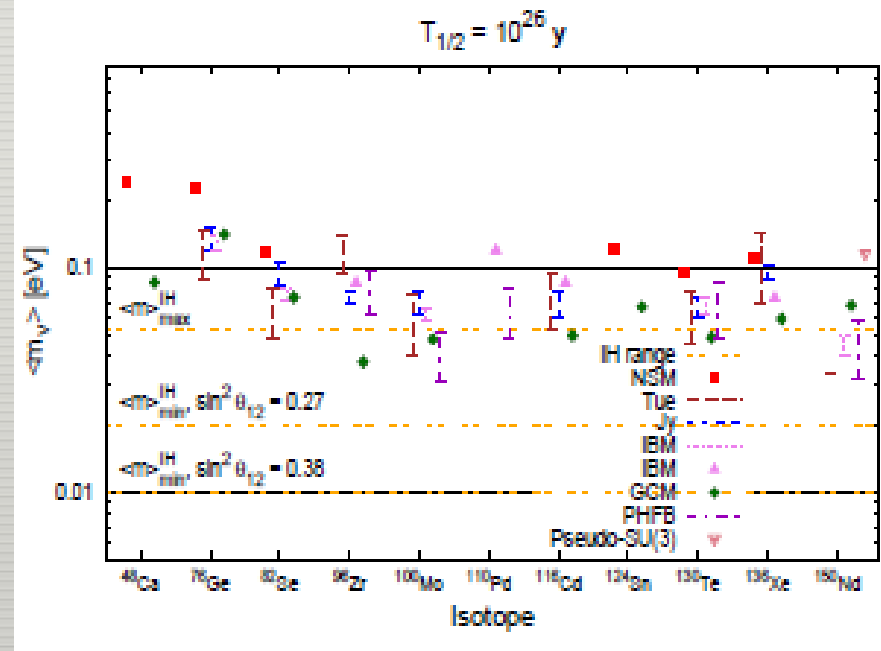
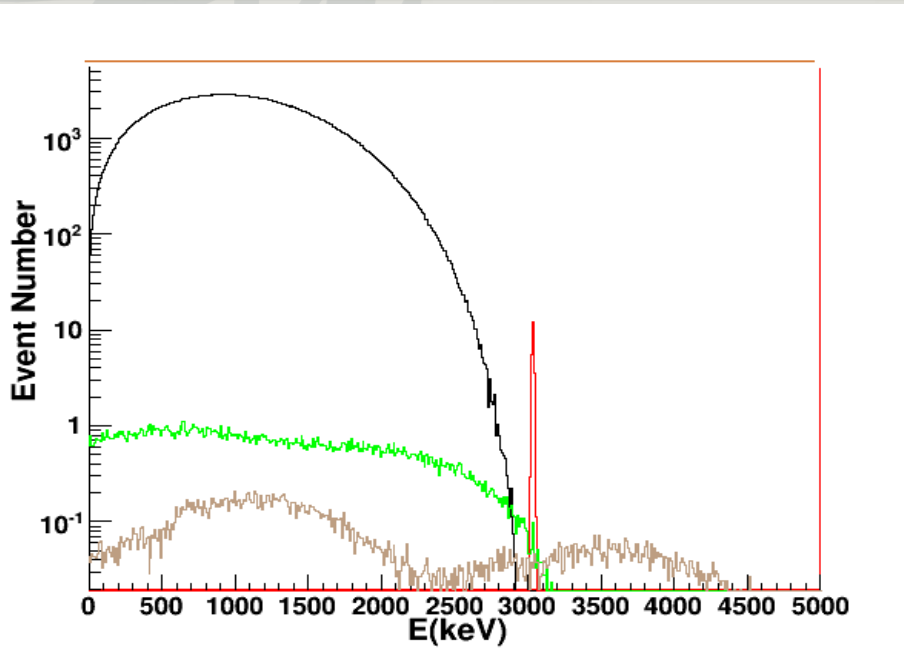
CaMoO₄ DBD Sensitivity

100 kg CaMoO₄ Cryogenic detector

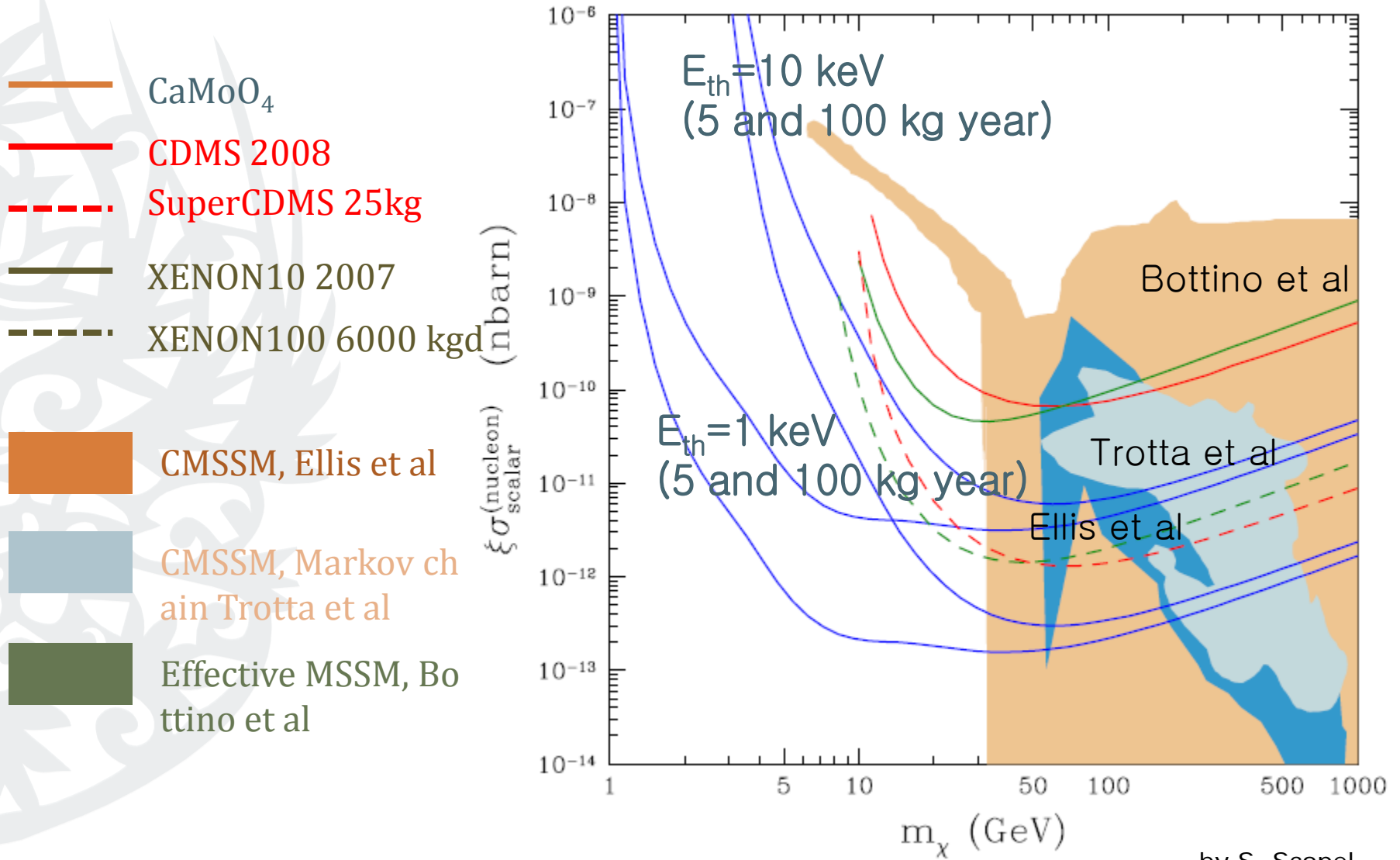
Mo-100 ~ 50 kg

Efficiency ~ 0.8

5 years, 100 kg ⁴⁰Ca¹⁰⁰MoO₄
 3 x 10²⁶ years ~ 50 meV



Dark matter sensitivity of CaMoO_4 cryogenic experiment



Toward a full scale experiment

Crystal size: 0.6 cm^3

Energy resolution

2keV (60keV)

11 keV (5.5MeV)



Crystal size: $\sim 60 \text{ cm}^3$, 250 g

Energy resolution

$<1 \%$ @ 3 MeV

Additional light sensor

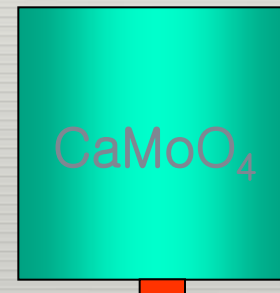
Time constant of phonon signal

Efficiency ~ 0.8

diameter, mm

		30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70
height, mm	30	0.794	0.806	0.813	0.822	0.826	0.831	0.834	0.839	0.841
	35	0.799	0.808	0.821	0.829	0.833	0.839	0.843	0.846	0.849
	40	0.804	0.816	0.822	0.830	0.838	0.842	0.849	0.852	0.856
	45	0.808	0.819	0.829	0.835	0.841	0.847	0.851	0.856	0.860
	50	0.809	0.820	0.830	0.839	0.845	0.851	0.854	0.861	0.864
	55	0.809	0.823	0.834	0.841	0.848	0.856	0.857	0.864	0.868
	60	0.810	0.825	0.835	0.845	0.850	0.856	0.860	0.866	0.871
	65	0.813	0.825	0.838	0.846	0.851	0.859	0.863	0.869	0.873
	70	0.817	0.828	0.839	0.846	0.853	0.860	0.867	0.869	0.875

Si or Ge TES/MMC/NTD

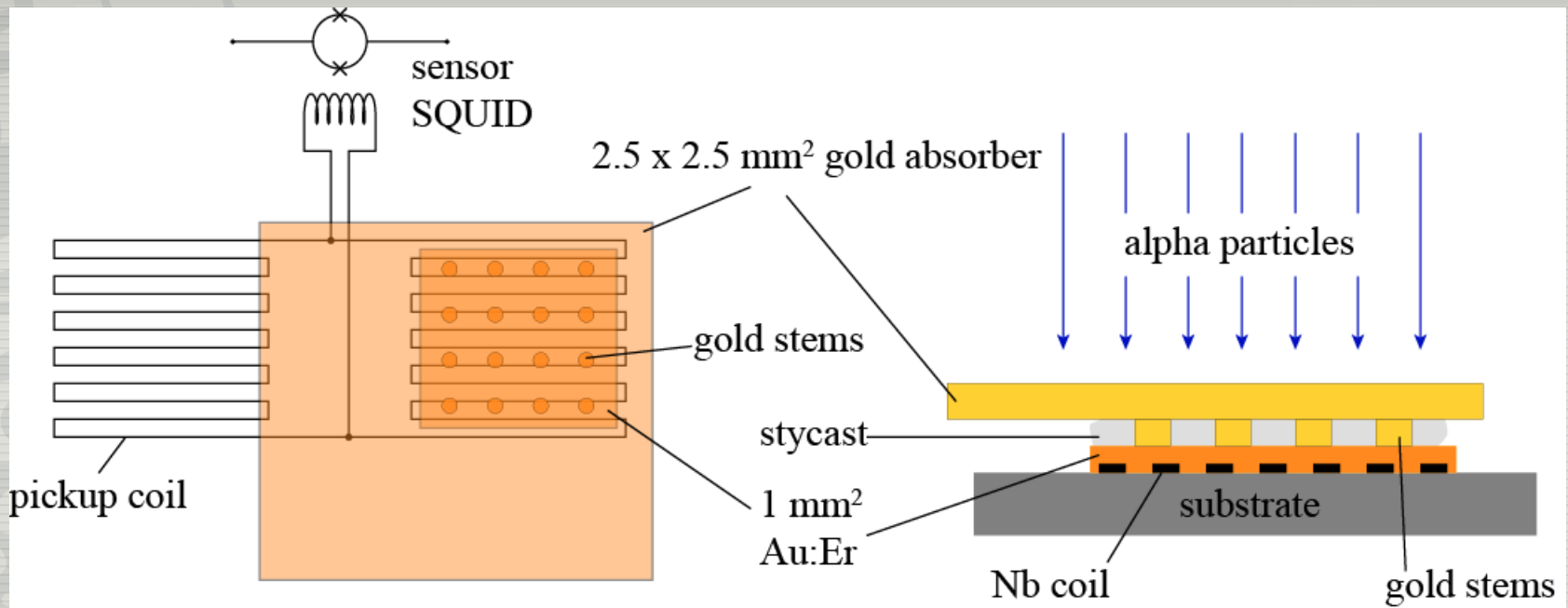


60 cm^3 CMO

$C = 0.17 \text{ nJ/K}$ at 10 mK
 1.4 nJ/K at 20 mK

Phonon sensor (MMC)

New sensor for large heat capacity



Meander is made in U. of Heidelberg.

2.5 x 2.5 x 0.07 mm³ gold foil

C = 0.6 nJ/K at 20 mK

60 cm³ CMO

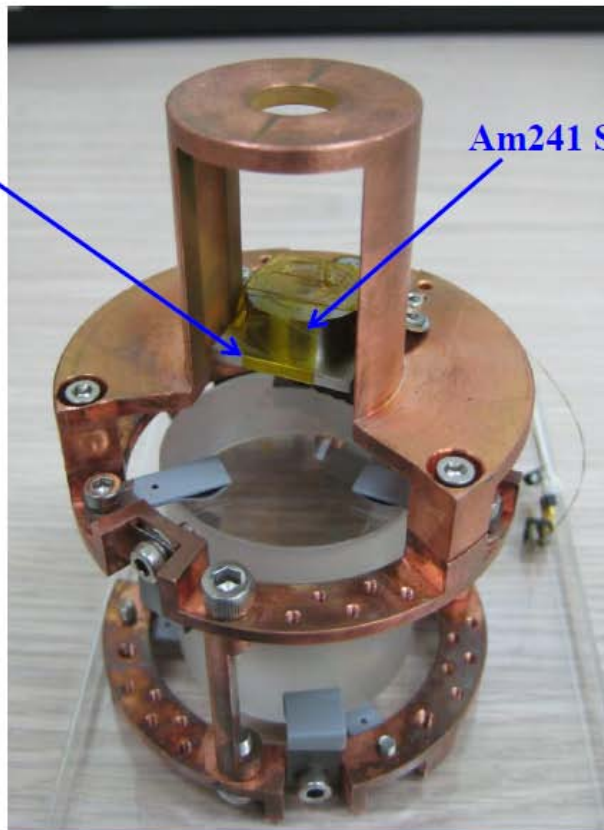
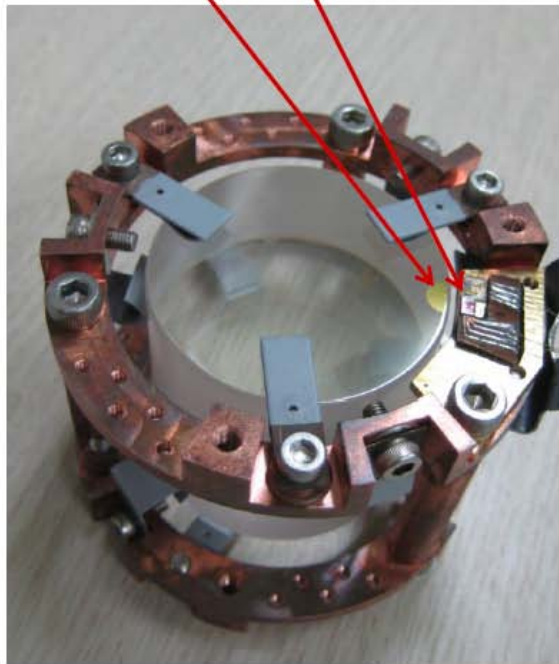
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1.4 nJ/K at 20 mK

MMC Sensor
Thermalization pad

Silver collimator

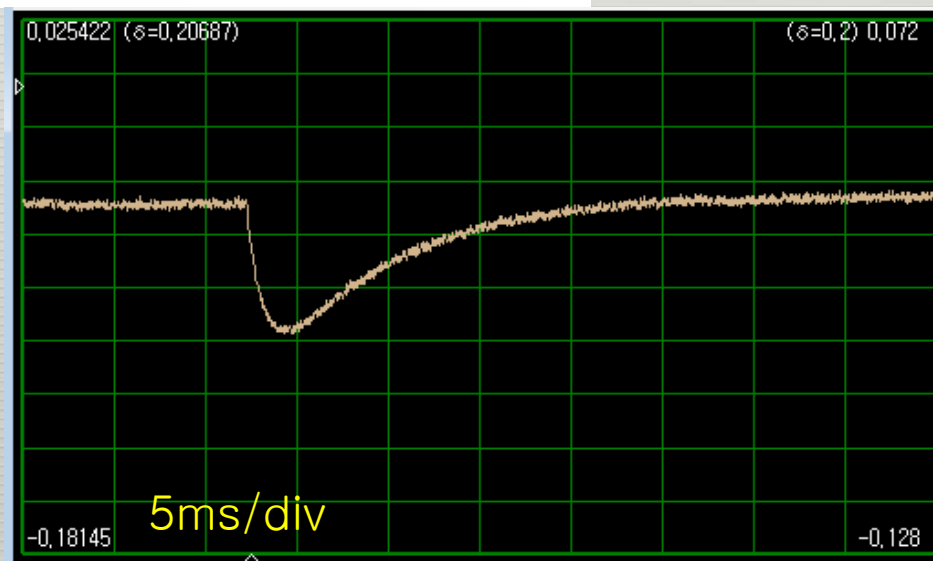
Am241 Source



4cm x 4 cm

Measurements in progress.

Toward the full scale experiment!



SUMMARY

- AMoRE : collaboration for DBD search with CaMoO₄
- Large volume $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals of high quality
 - ~ 0.85 kg crystal made of enriched material at Y2L
 - Existence of ~30 kg depleted Ca
- Pilot experiment of ~ 1 kg with scintillation technique + CsI(Tl) active veto is in preparation
- Development of cryogenic CaMoO₄ detector
 - 2g crystal with MMC sensor – demonstrated the principle
 - > 200 g crystal setup in progress
- 100kg CaMoO₄ cryogenic detector: achievable goal
 - ~ 3×10^{26} yrs (~ 0.05 eV)
 - Competitive dark matter search
 - Design of the experiment in progress: geometry, cryostat, simulation,...
 - Included in the National Facility Road Map



Thank you for your attention !

$^{238}\text{U}/^{232}\text{Th}$ decay chains

