

Upgrades for GERDA Phase II



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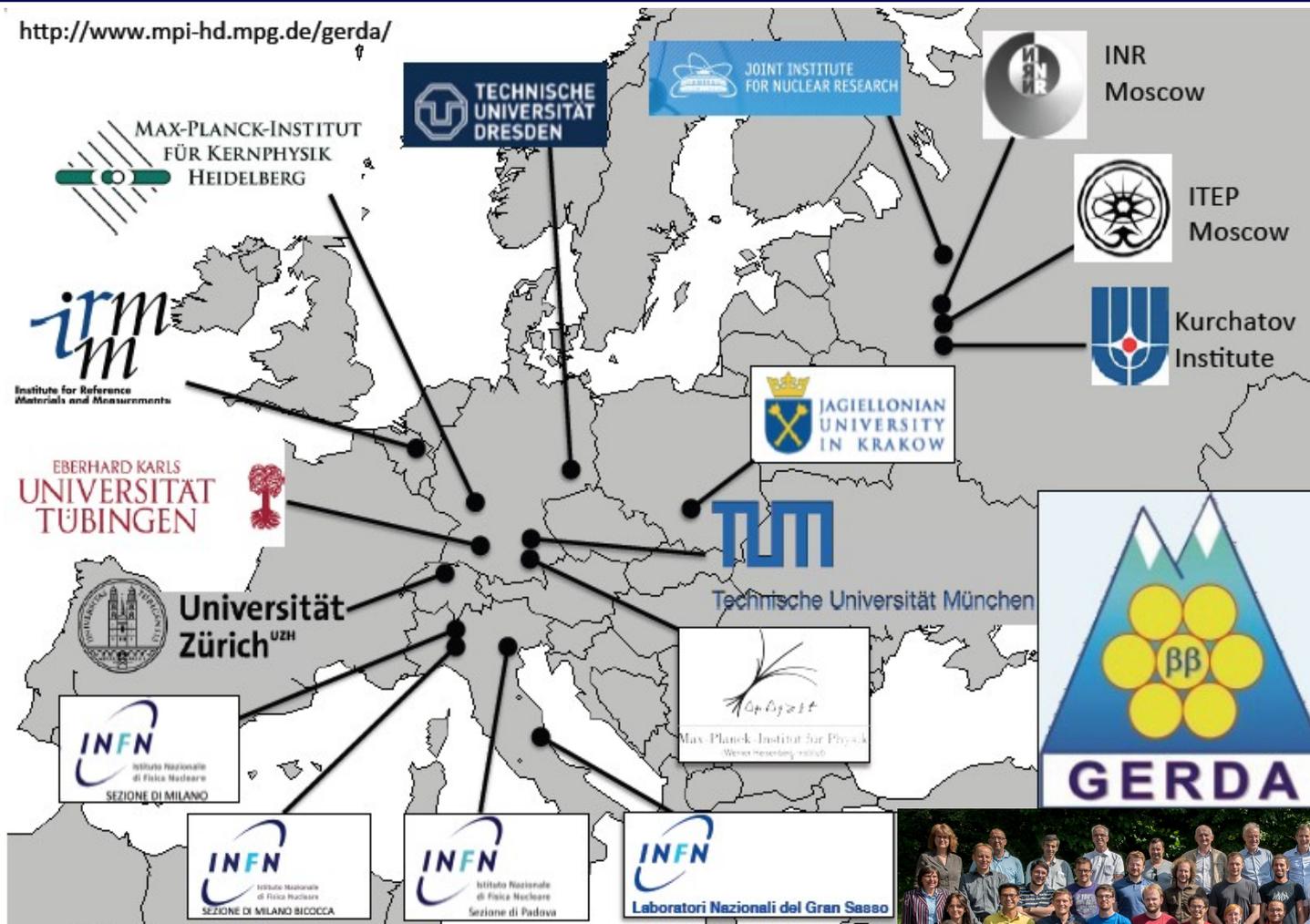
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The collaboration



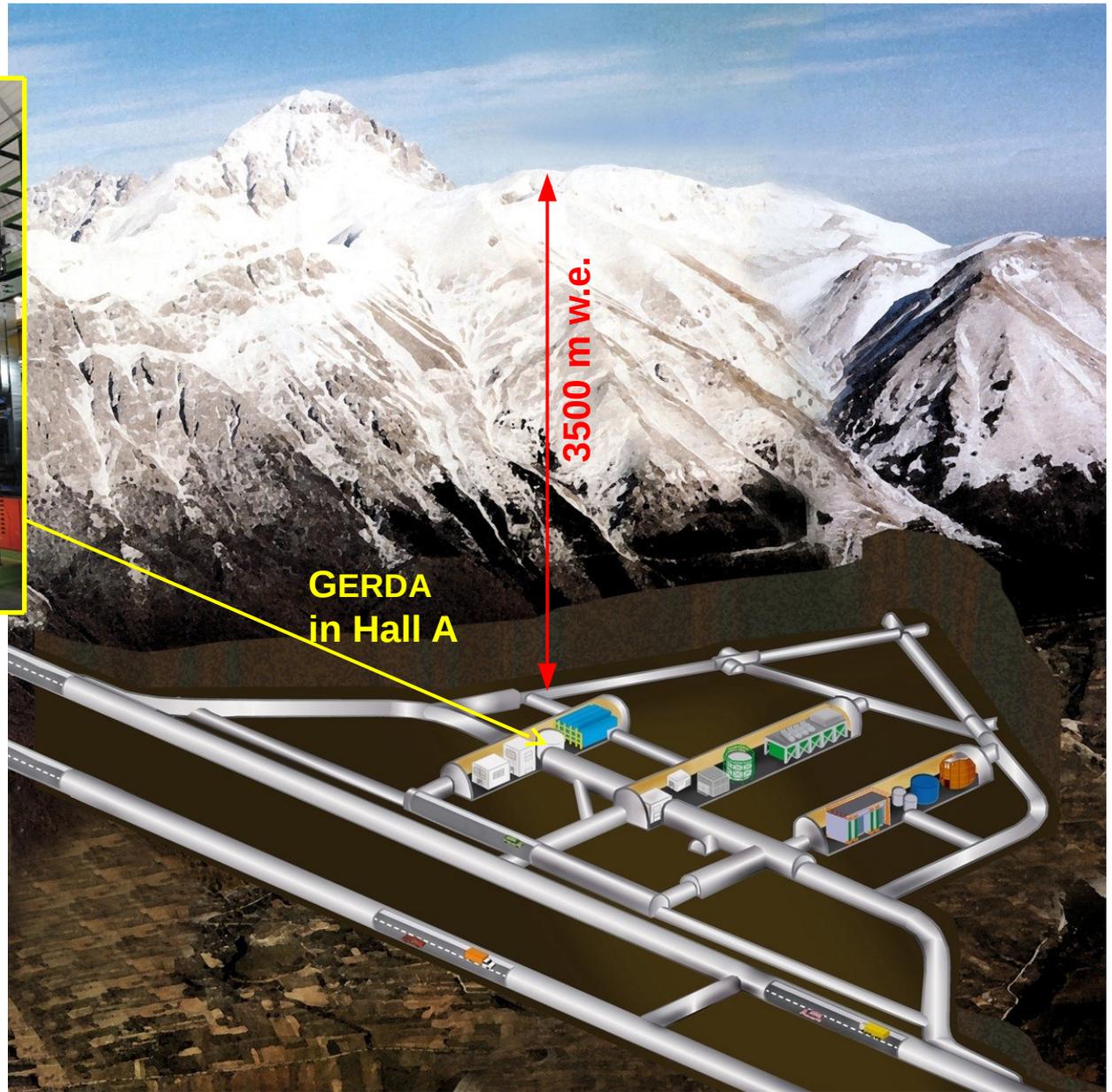
<http://www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/gerda/>



16 Institutions
~100 members



GERDA at Gran Sasso



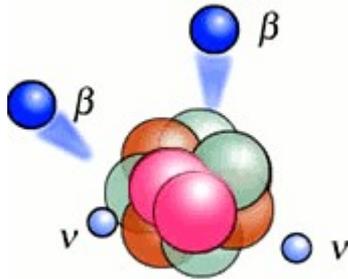
GERDA
in Hall A

3500 m w.e.

Underground site to
reduce cosmic muon
flux by $\sim 1,000,000$

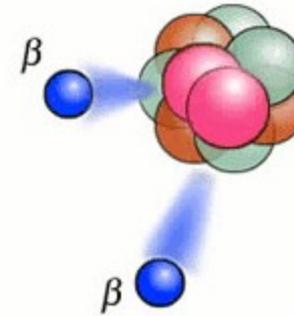
Motivation for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay searches

2 neutrino
double beta decay



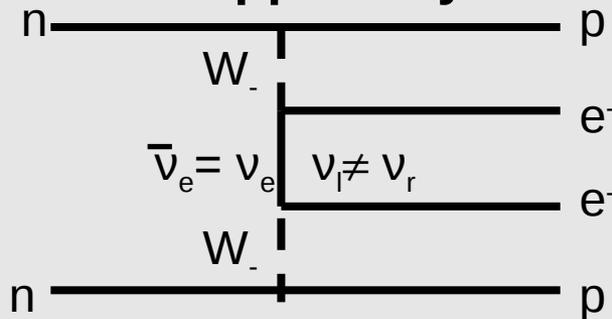
allowed by SM, $\Delta L = 0$

0 neutrino
double beta decay



forbidden in SM, $\Delta L = 2$

$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay:

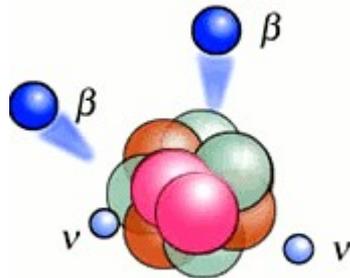


exchange of majorana neutrino

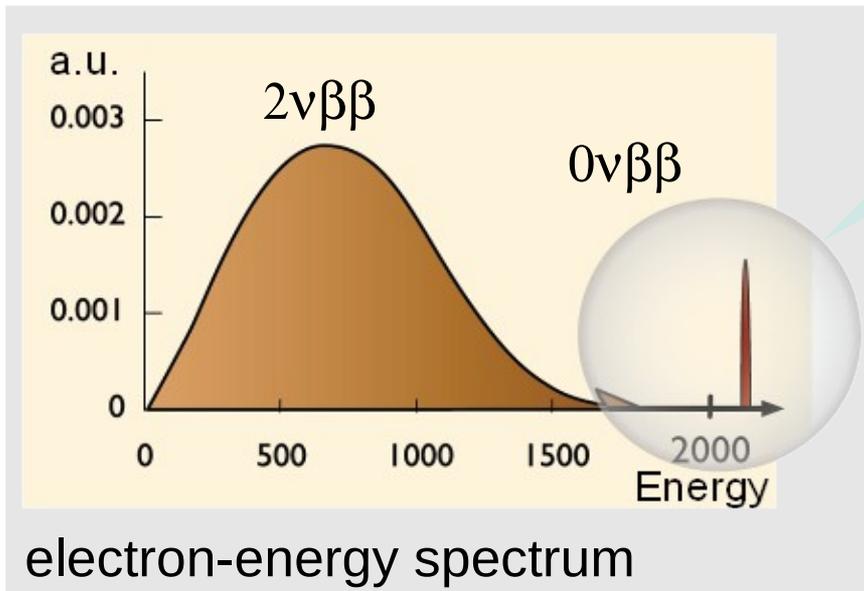
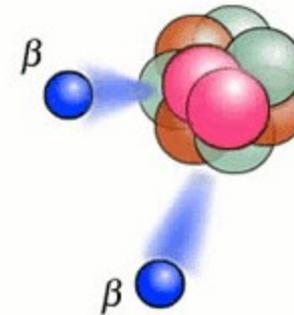
- ▶ Majorana nature of neutrino
- ▶ lepton number violation $\Delta L=2$!
- ▶ effective ν mass: $\langle m_{ee} \rangle = \left| \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|$
- ▶ access to ν mass hierachy

Double Beta Decay detection in ^{76}Ge

2 neutrino
double beta decay



0 neutrino
double beta decay



search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ peak at
 $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2039 \text{ keV } (^{76}\text{Ge})$

Expected decay rate:

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G^{0\nu}(Q, Z) |M^{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{ee} \rangle^2$$

↑ half life
 ↑ phase space integral
 ↑ nuclear matrix element
 ↑ effective ν mass

Double Beta Decay detection in GERDA



Sensitivity:

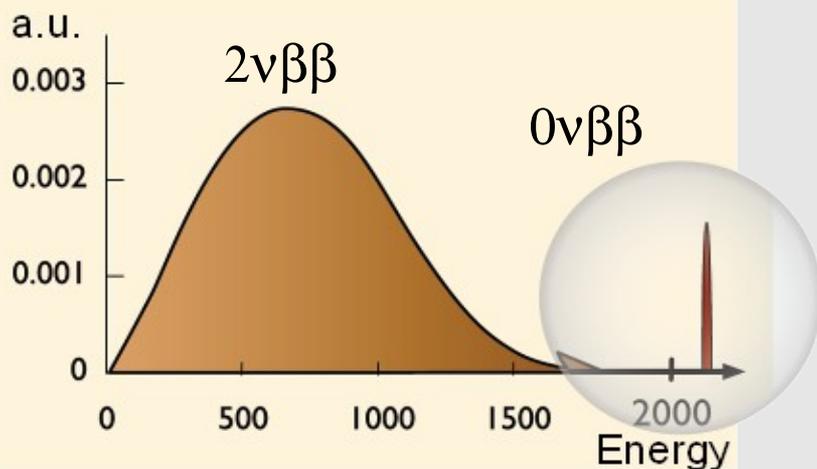
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \sim \epsilon_{eff} \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot t}{\Delta E \cdot B}}$$

$M \cdot t$ = exposure

ϵ_{eff} = detection efficiency

ΔE = energy resolution

B = background index



electron-energy spectrum

Detector = Source



detectors enriched to 86% ^{76}Ge

Phase	I	II
Exposure [kg · yr]	15	100
Bg [counts/(keV·kg·yr)]	10^{-2}	10^{-3}
Upper limit $m_{\beta\beta}$ [eV]	0.23-0.39	0.09-0.15

A. Smolnikov, P. Grabmayr PRC 81 028502(2010)

Germanium Detector Array

Clean room + lock system

Water tank/
muon veto

LAr cryostat

Ge detector array

64 m³ LAr

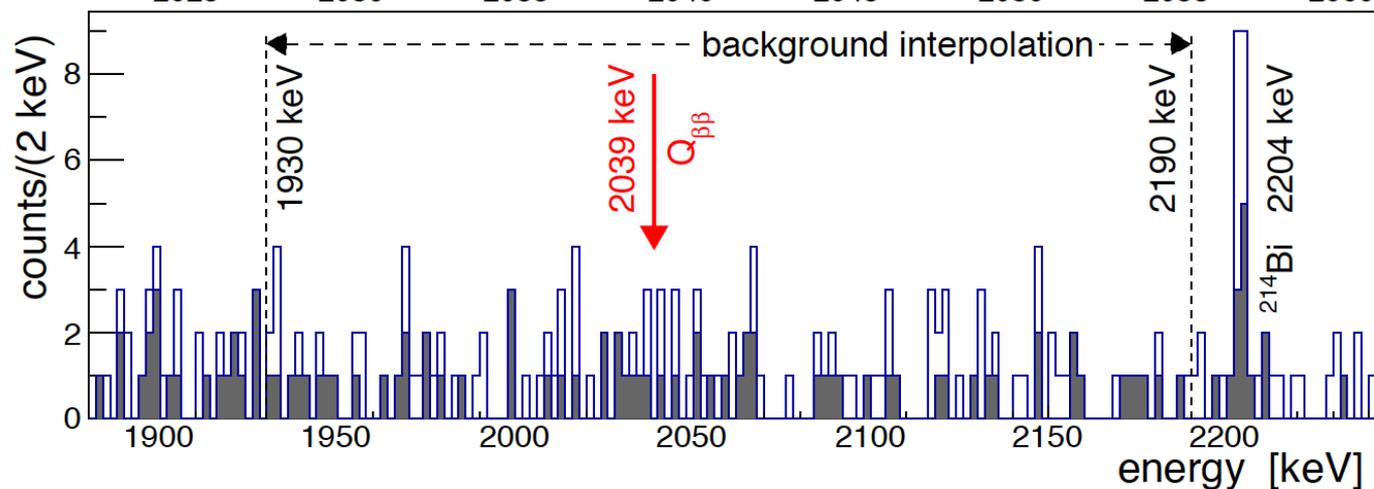
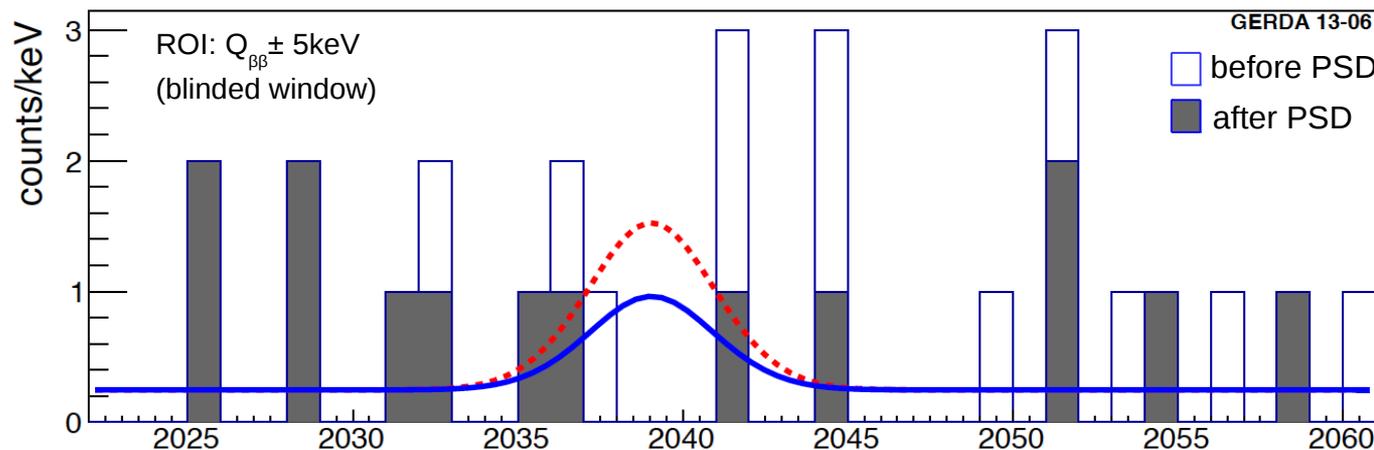
590 m³ H₂O

Eur. Phys. J. C (2013)73:2330
[arXiv:1212.4067]

GERDA Phase I result ($0\nu\beta\beta$)



— GERDA: 90% lower limit ($T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$) [Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 122503]
 - - - Claim: $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = 1.19 \times 10^{25}$ yr [Phys. Lett. B 586 198(2004)]



Exposure:
21.6 kg·yr

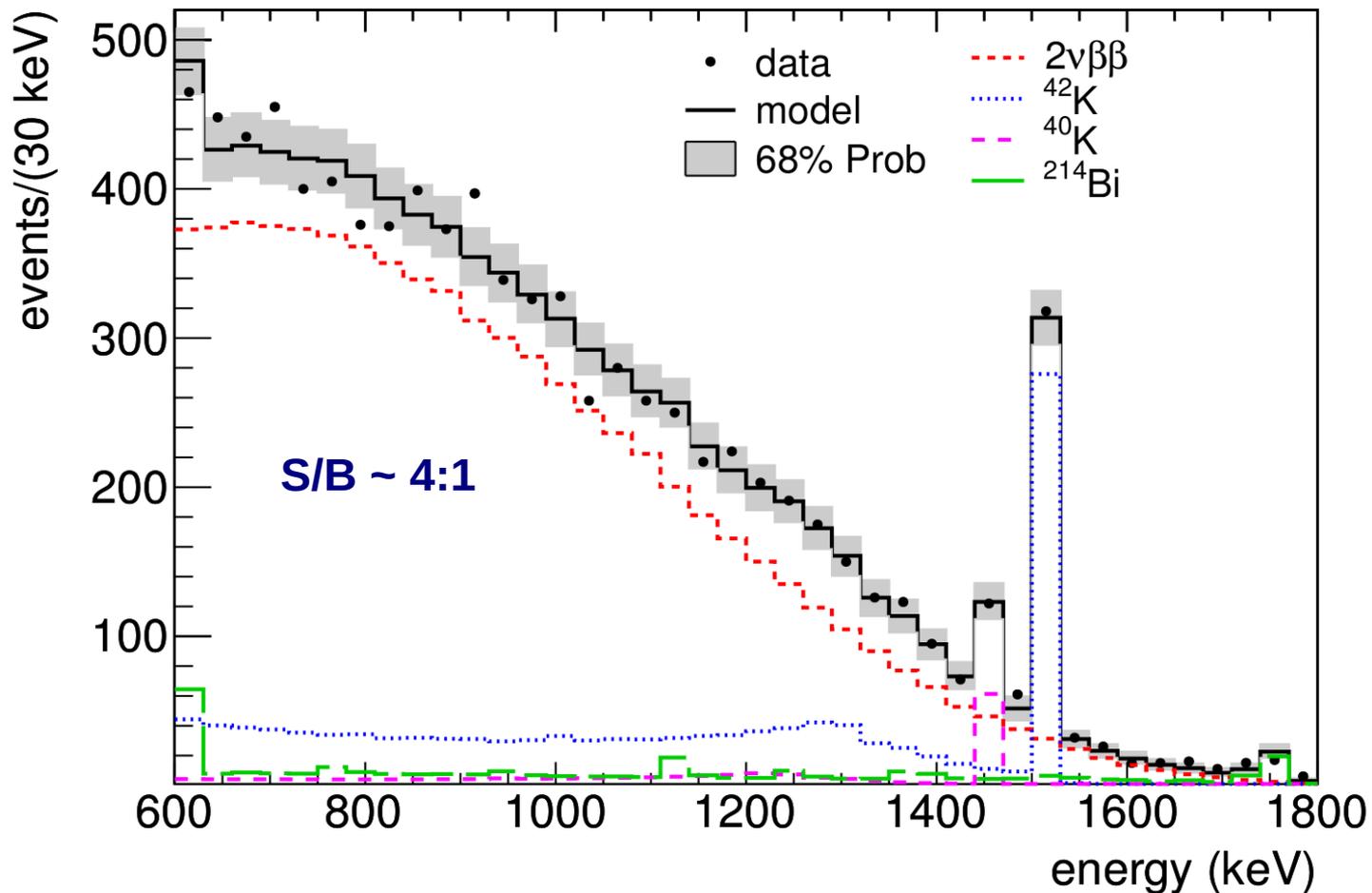
Background events
(after PSD):
2.5 expected
3 observed

Expected signal
Events (after PSD):
 < 3 from our limit
 5.9 ± 1.4 from claim

→ **claim is rejected
with 99% prob.**

Frequentist: profile likelihood fit → best fit $N^{0\nu}=0$, $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.1 \cdot 10^{25}$ yr (90% C.L.)

GERDA Phase I result ($2\nu\beta\beta$)



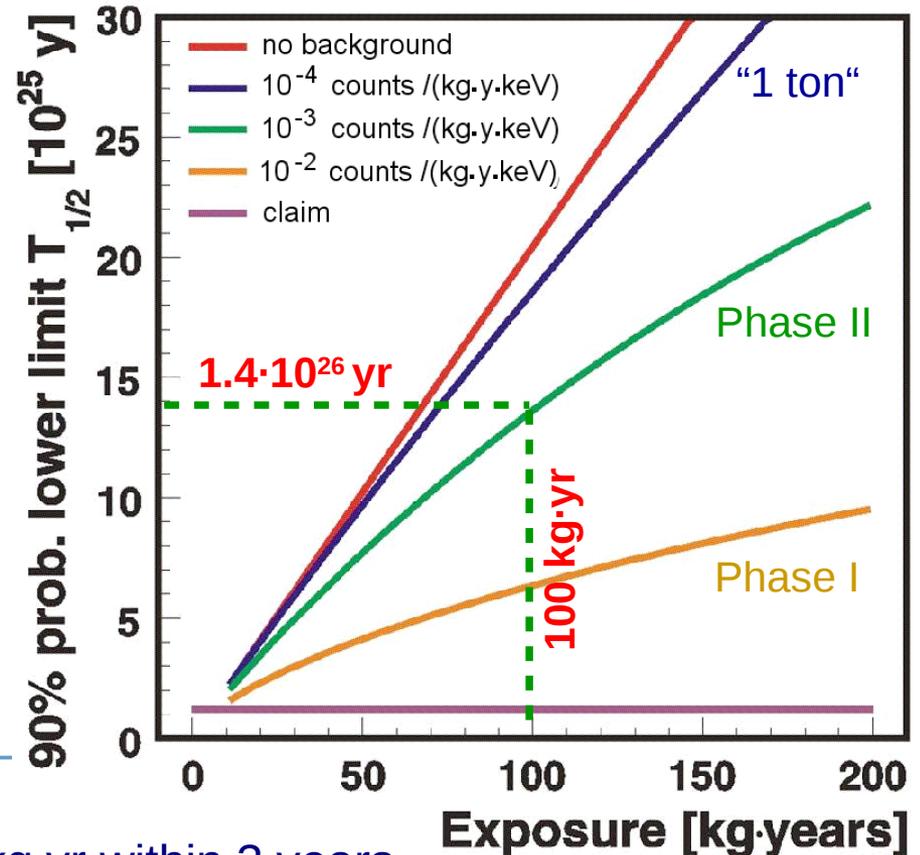
$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = (1.84_{-0.08}^{+0.09} \text{ fit } -0.06 \text{ syst}) \cdot 10^{21} \text{ yr} = (1.84_{-0.10}^{+0.14}) \cdot 10^{21} \text{ yr}$$

[J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 40 (2013) 035110]

Sensitivity:

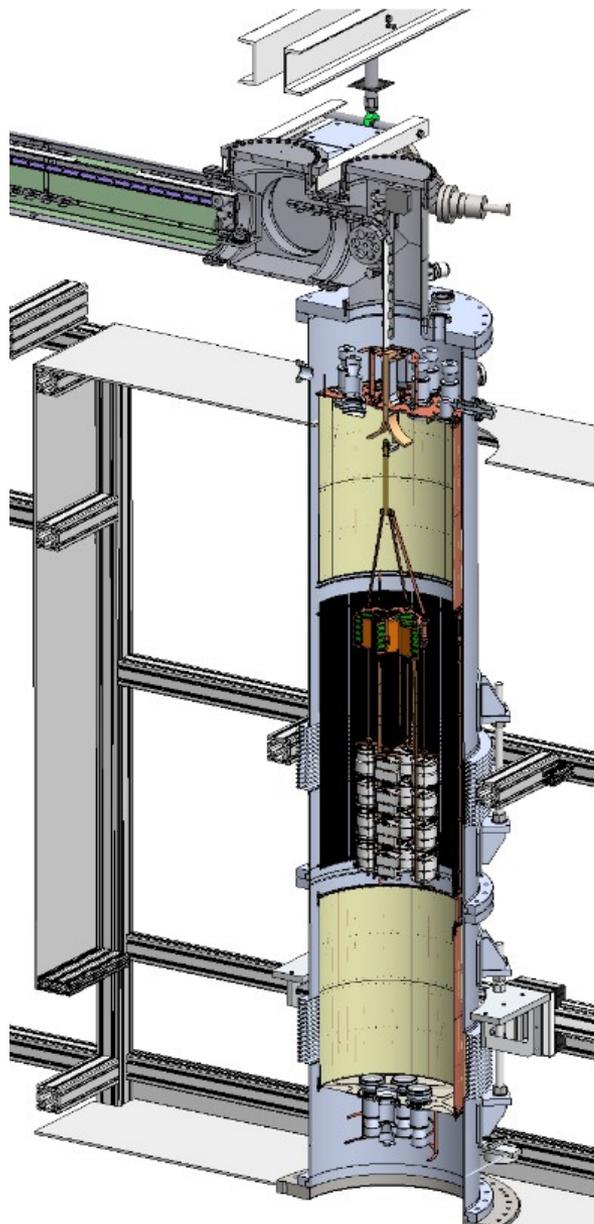
$$T_{1/2} \propto \begin{cases} a \cdot \varepsilon \cdot M \cdot t & \text{if } M \cdot t \cdot BI \cdot \Delta E \ll 1 \\ a \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot t}{BI \cdot \Delta E}} & \text{i.e. "no background"} \end{cases}$$

- a = enrichment fraction
- ε_{eff} = detection efficiency
- $M \cdot t$ = exposure
- ΔE = energy resolution
- BI = background index



Phase II upgrade strategy:

- ▶ to collect total exposure: 100 kg-yr within 3 years
 - produce ~20 kg more detectors
- ▶ to reach background index: 1×10^{-3} cts/(keV·kg·yr)
 - use improved detector support & electronics
 - use active background suppression (PSD & LAr veto)

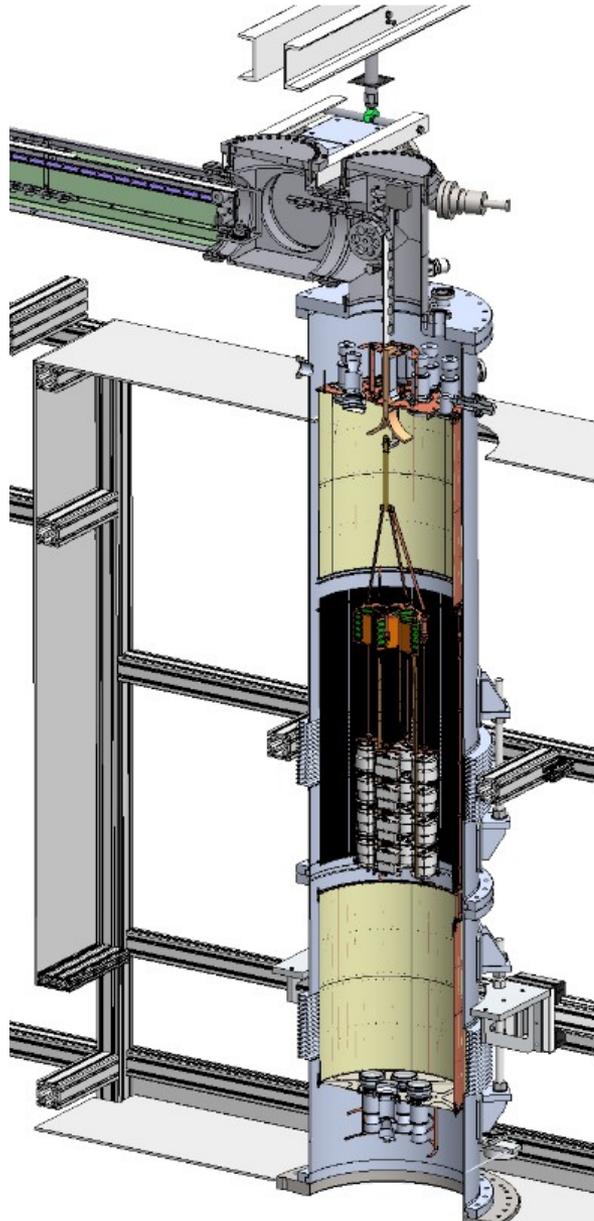


New lock for Phase II in GERDA cleanroom on top of cryostat:

- ▶ replaces Phase I twin lock
- ▶ larger $\varnothing = 0.52$ m, $h = 2.8$ m
- ▶ placed in glovebox to handle detectors in GN atmosphere

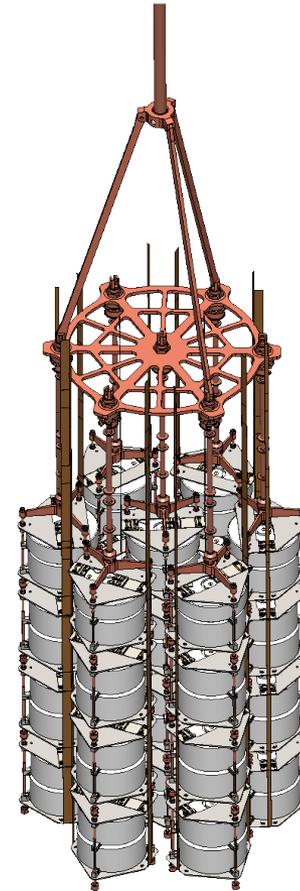


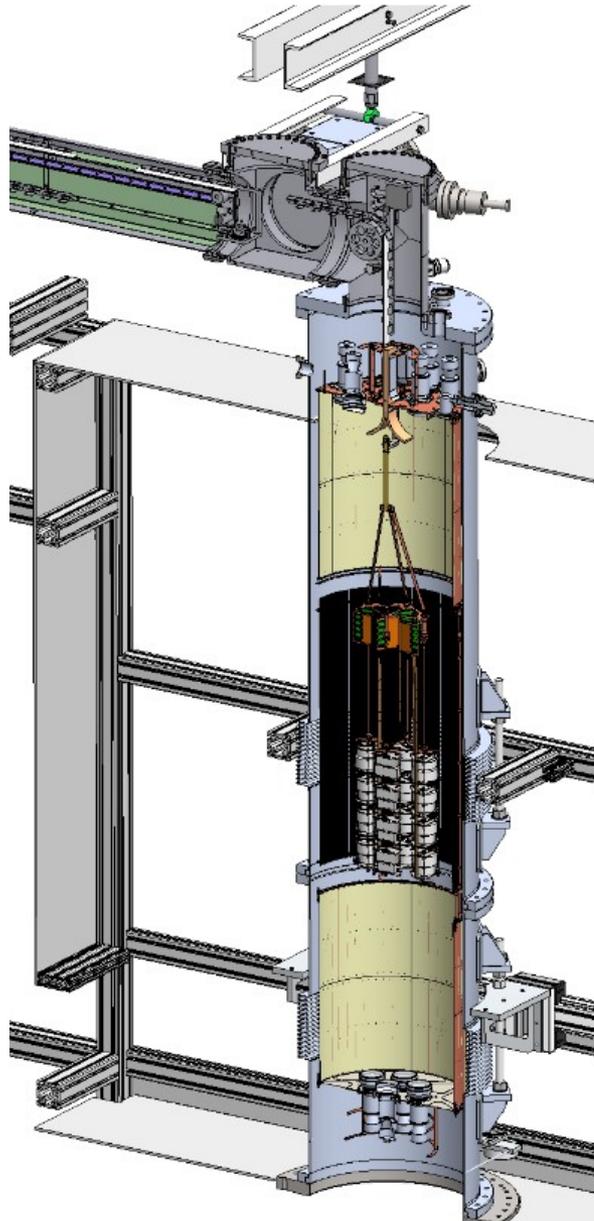
old twin lock in glove box



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- ▶ space to deploy 7 detector strings



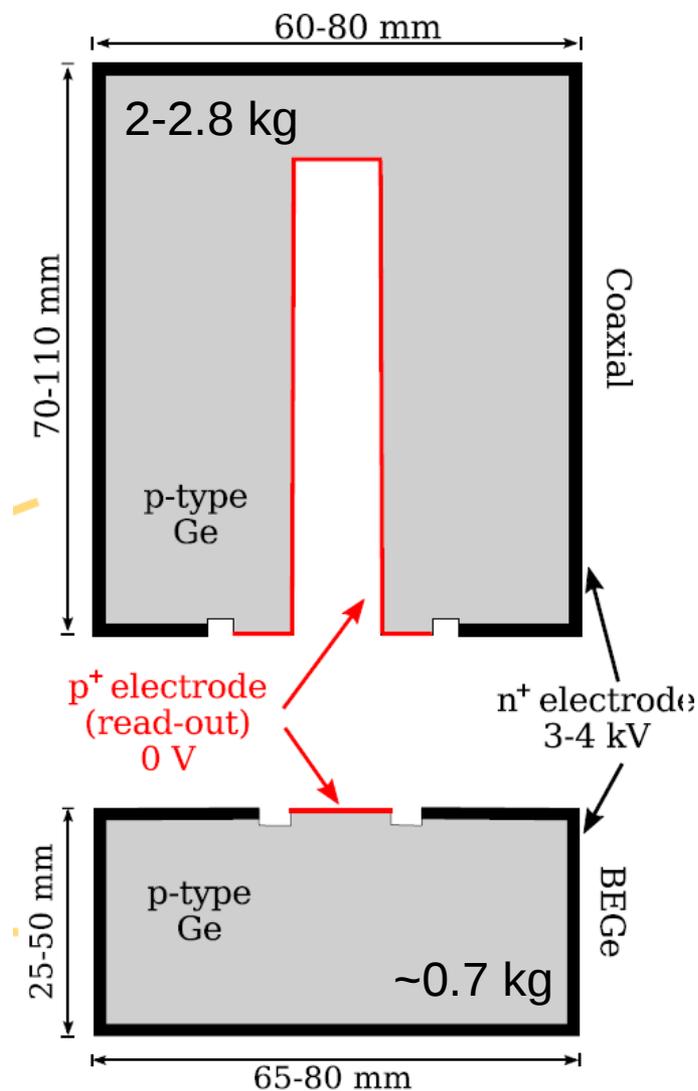


New lock for Phase II in GERDA cleanroom on top of cryostat:

- deploy retractable LAr light instrumentation for active veto



$\varnothing = 0.49 \text{ m}$
 $h = 2.6 \text{ m}$

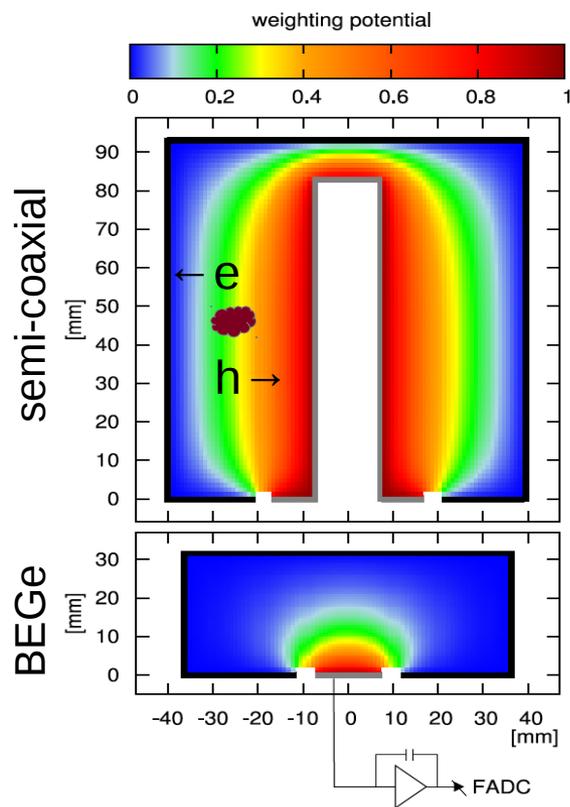


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- ▶ use 8 refurbished semi-coaxial diodes from HdM & IGEX (total mass 17.67 kg)
- ▶ use pulse shape discrimination (PSD) based on artificial neural network
- ▶ also use 5 ^{enr}BEGe detectors (3.63 kg)

Phase II:

- ▶ use 30 ^{enr}BEGe detectors (20.5 kg) (in addition to semi-coaxial ones)
- ▶ small 'point-like' contact allows for superior PSD & ΔE
- ▶ already tested in Phase I



$$\text{current signal} = q \cdot v \cdot \nabla \Phi$$

q = charge, v = velocity
(Shockley-Ramo theorem)

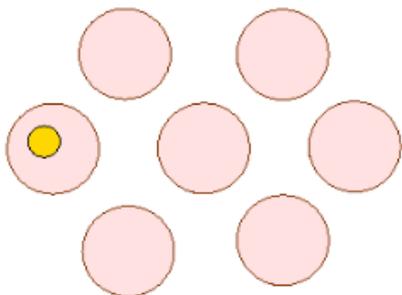
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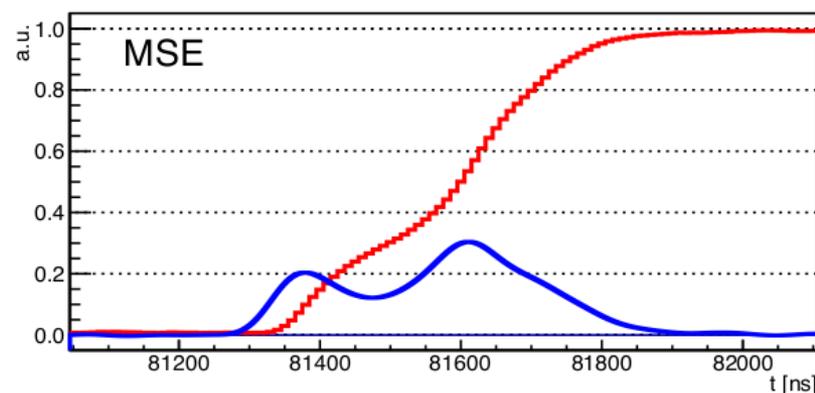
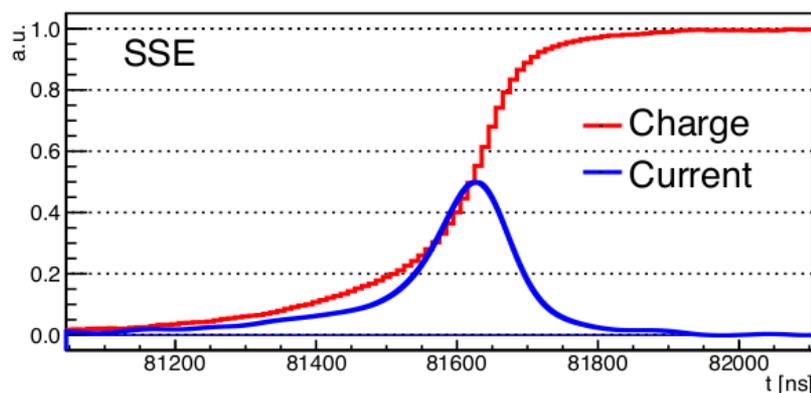
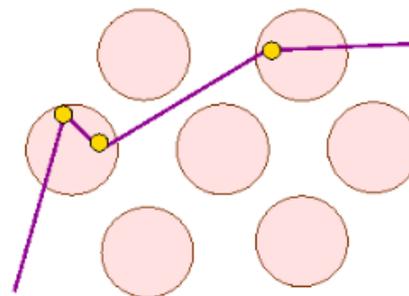
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single site events: $\beta\beta$, DEP
(signal like)



multi site events: Compton
(background like)

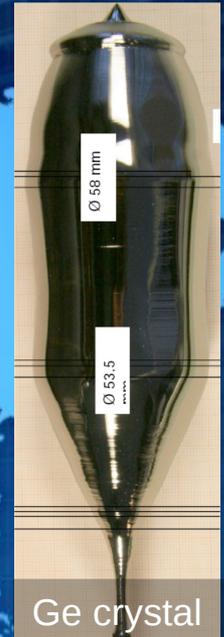


▶ well established cut parameter $A/E = \text{current pulse} / \text{charge pulse}$

- ▶ $0\nu\beta\beta$ efficiency = 92 ± 2 % determined from DEP efficiency & simulation
- ▶ $2\nu\beta\beta$ efficiency = 91 ± 5 % in good agreement to DEP efficiency
- ▶ reject > 80% of background events

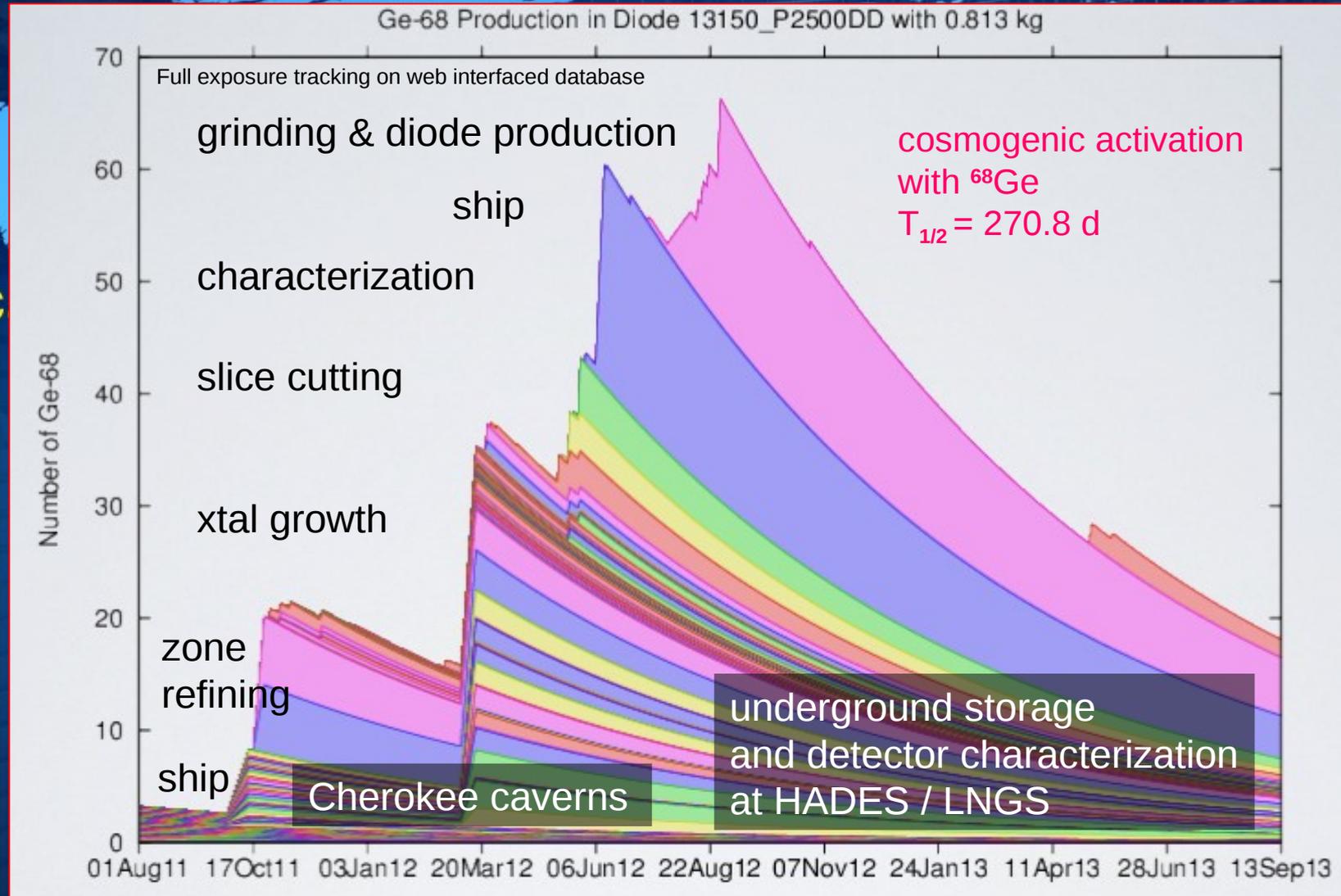
[EP] C73 (2013) 2583]

New detectors: from raw material to diode production



- [1] Germanium enrichment, ECP, Zelenogorsk, Russia 53.3 kg $^{enr}\text{GeO}_2$, 88% ^{76}Ge
- [2] Metal reduction and purification, PPM, Langelshelm, Germany 35.5 kg ^{enr}Ge , 6N
- [3] Xtal pulling/Zone refinement, Canberra, Oak Ridge, USA 9 Xtals → 30 slices
- [4] Diode production, Canberra, Olen, Belgium 30 ^{enr}Ge diodes (20.5 kg)
- [5] Diode storage and characterization, HADES, Mol, Belgium

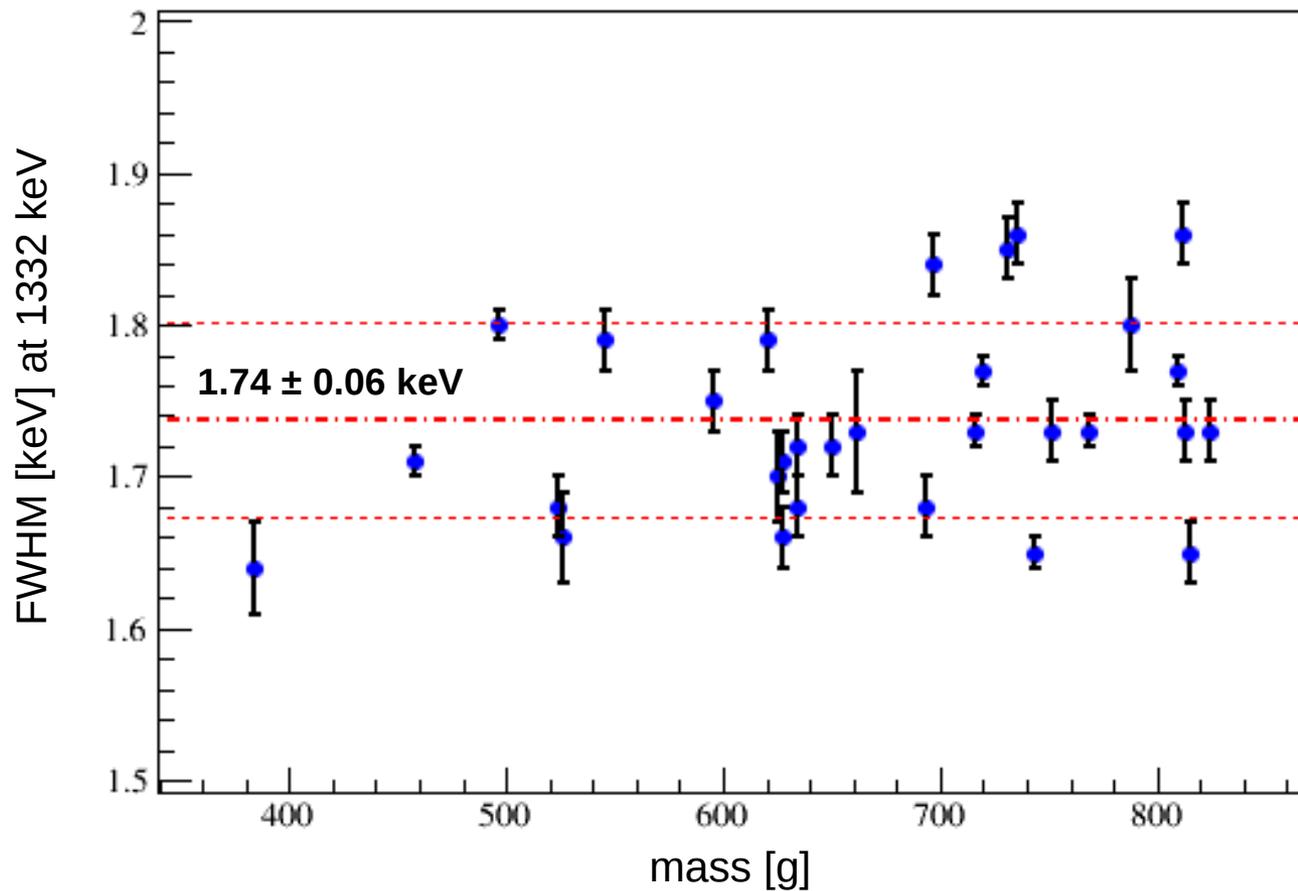
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Energy resolution of GERDA BEGe detectors



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New detector strings

Phase I

3 strings /w
coaxial det

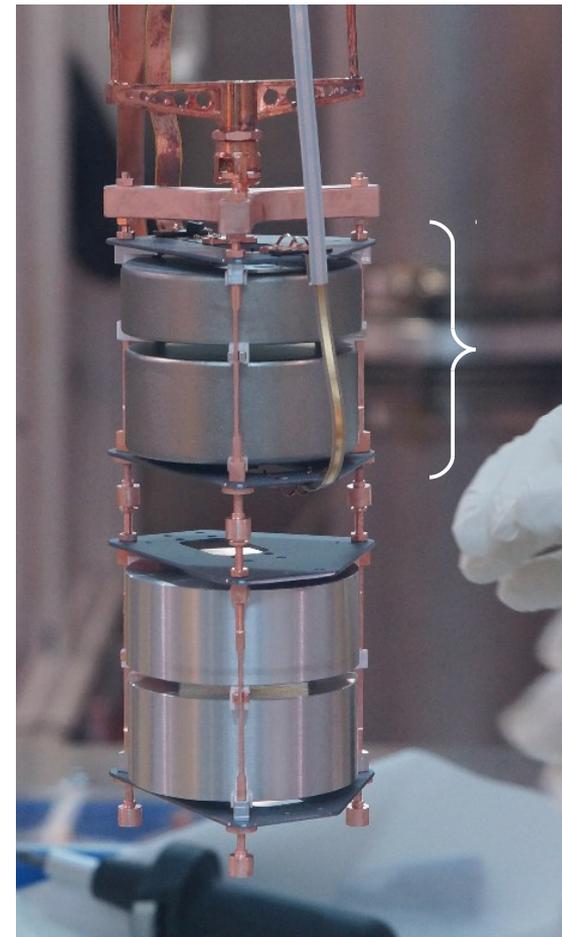


1 string /w
BEGe det



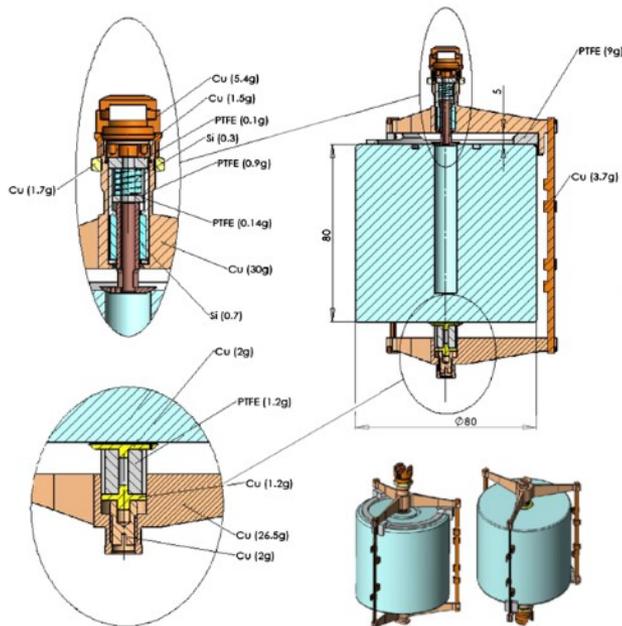
Phase II

4 strings /w BEGe det
+3 strings coaxial det

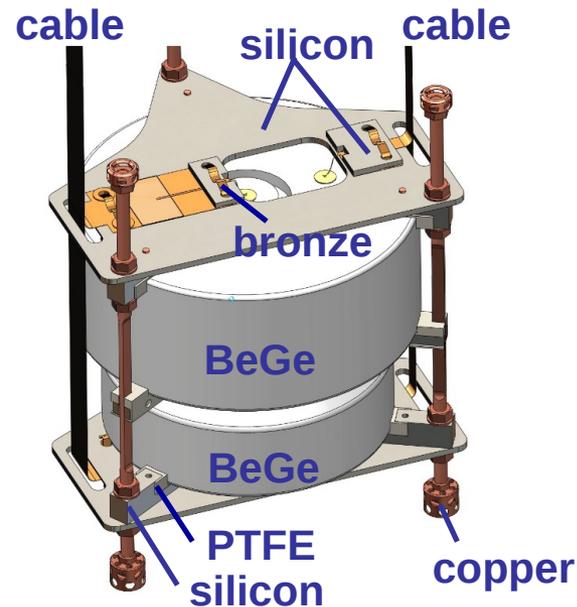


detector
module /w
BEGe pair

Phase I



Phase II



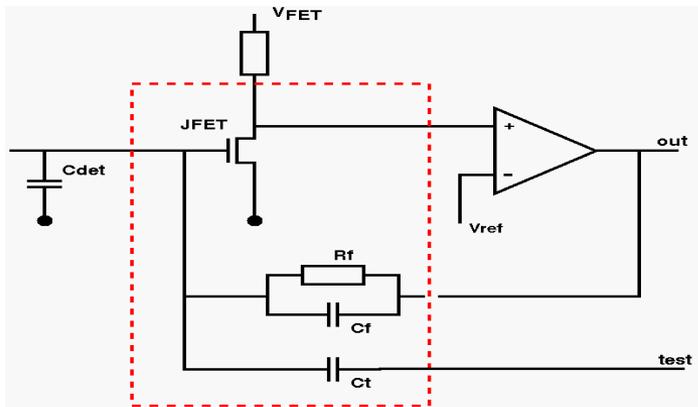
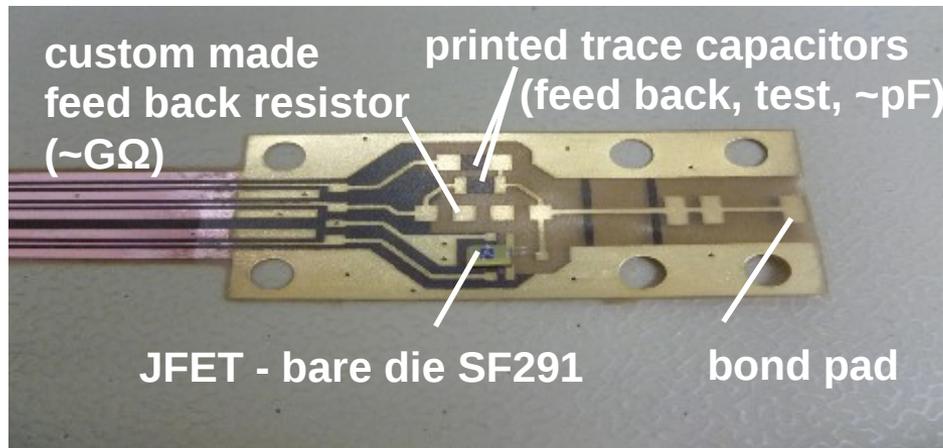
material	per 2.3 kg detector mass	per 1.3 kg detector mass
copper	81.4 g	25.8 g
PTFE	11.3 g	2.1 g
bronze	-	1.0 g
silicon	0.3 g	40.3 g

► significant amount of copper & PTFE replaced by intrinsically radio-pure silicon

Front end electronics

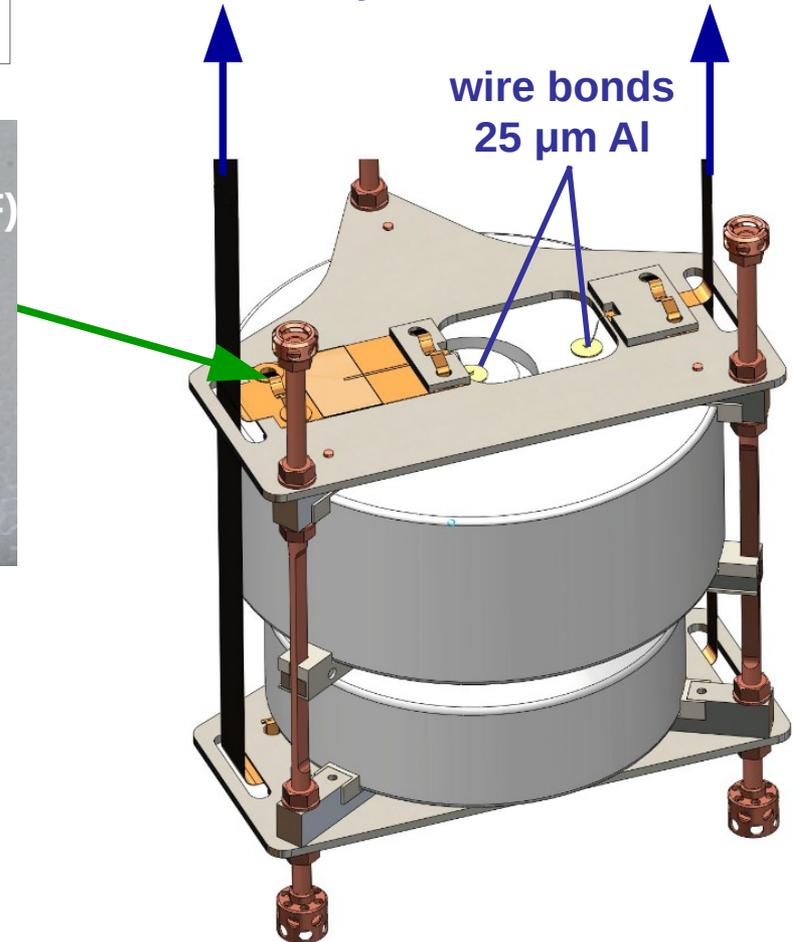
Phase II: very front end electronics are very close to detector!

Phase I: distance was > 30 cm



signal cable to cryogenic preamp > 50 cm away

HV cable



CC3: 4 Channel Charge Sensitive Preamplifier

→ upgrade of CC2 preamplifier of GERDA Phase I, based on commercially available op-amps

■ low-noise:

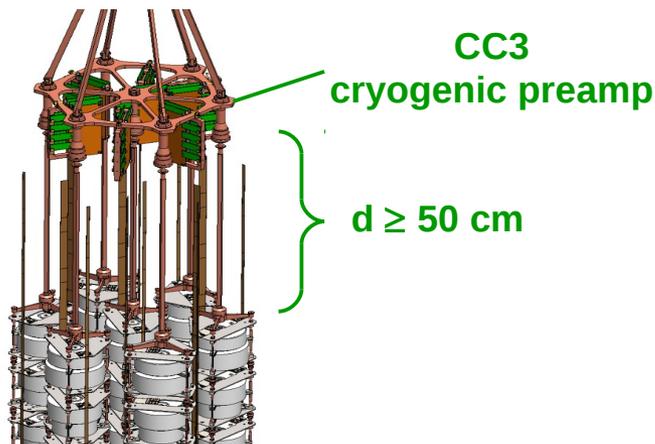
- 0.7 keV FWHM pulser resolution
- 2.6 keV FWHM at 2.6 MeV with BEGe detector
- 20 MHz bandwidth allows PSD (A/E)

■ cryogenic:

→ suitable for operation in liquid Argon (50 mW/channel)

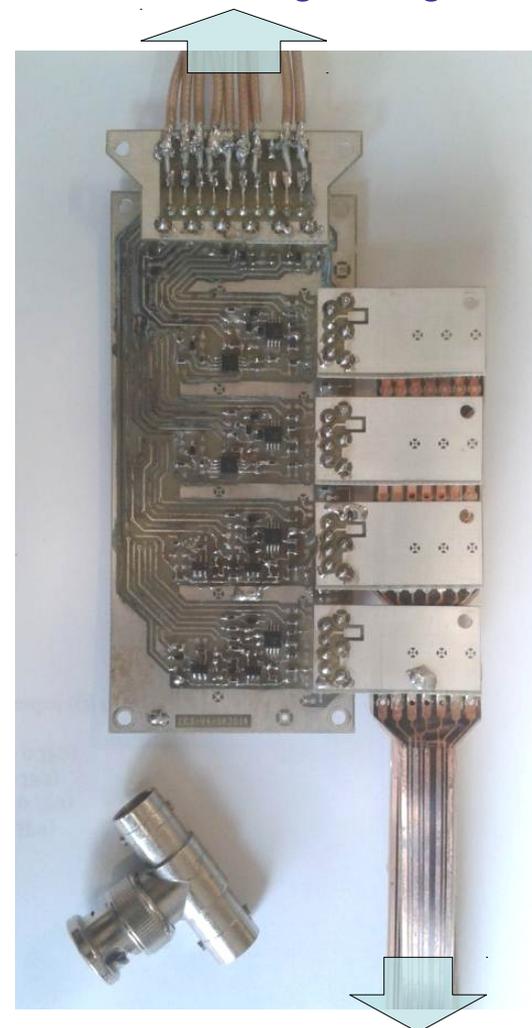
■ radio-pure electronics:

→ $\approx 50 \mu\text{Bq/channel}$ (including pins) expected



prototype version
(FR4 laminate)

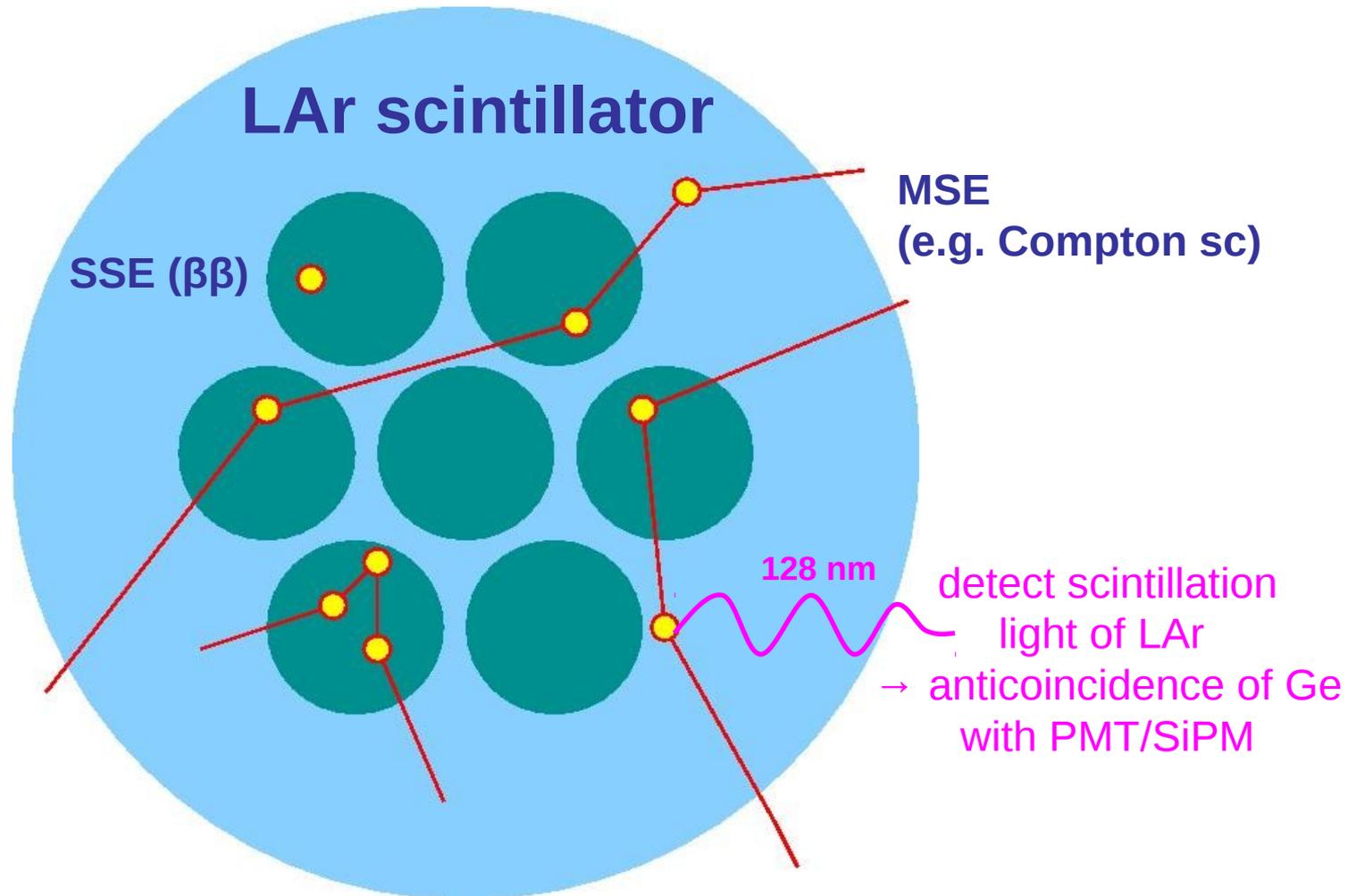
10 m long coaxial cables to
feedthrough flange

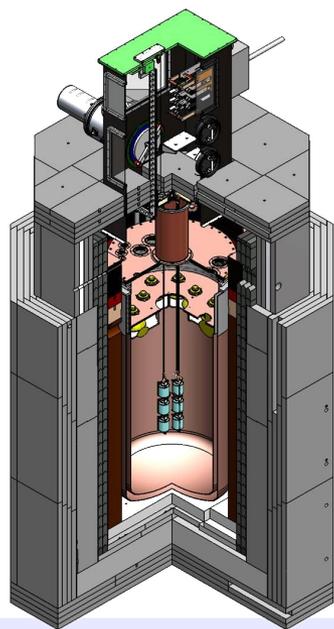


4x 0.5-1 m flex cables to
VFE and detectors

Principle of liquid argon scintillation veto

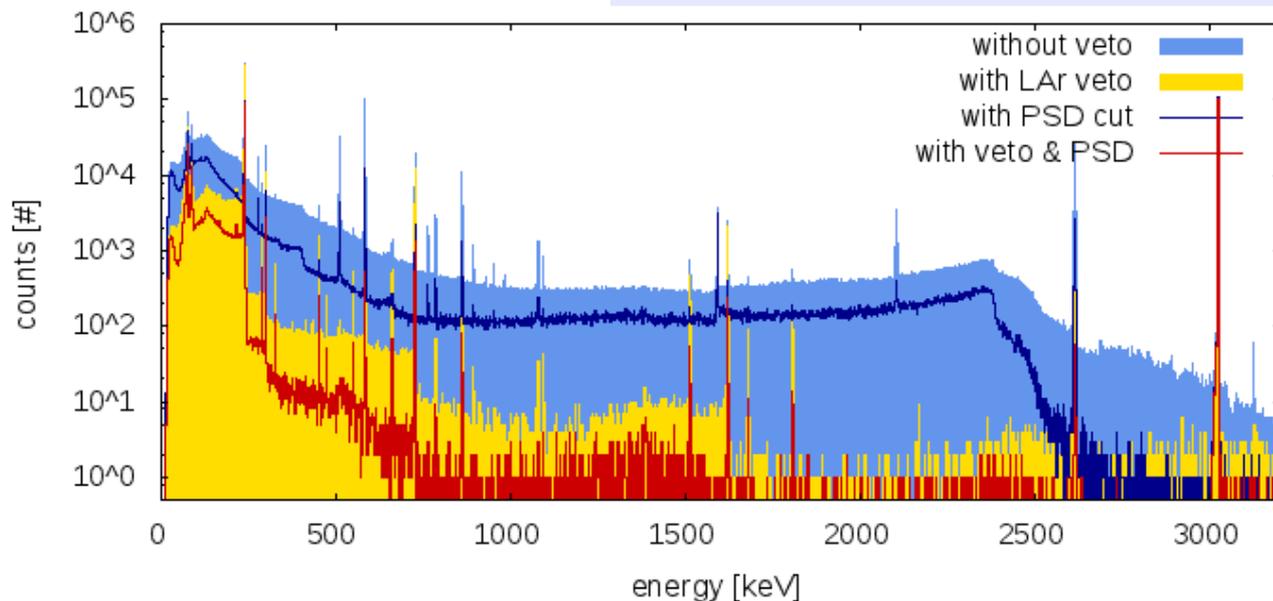
Veto on events that deposit energy in liquid argon (40,000 γ /keV)



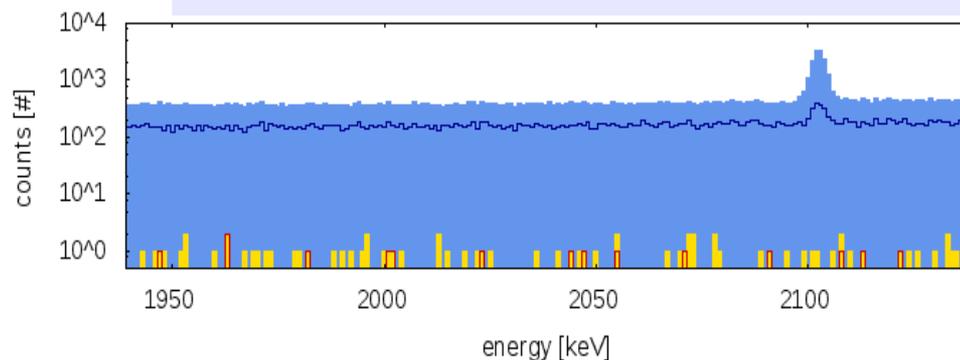


LArGe test bench
at Gran Sasso

e.g. close-by Th-228 source

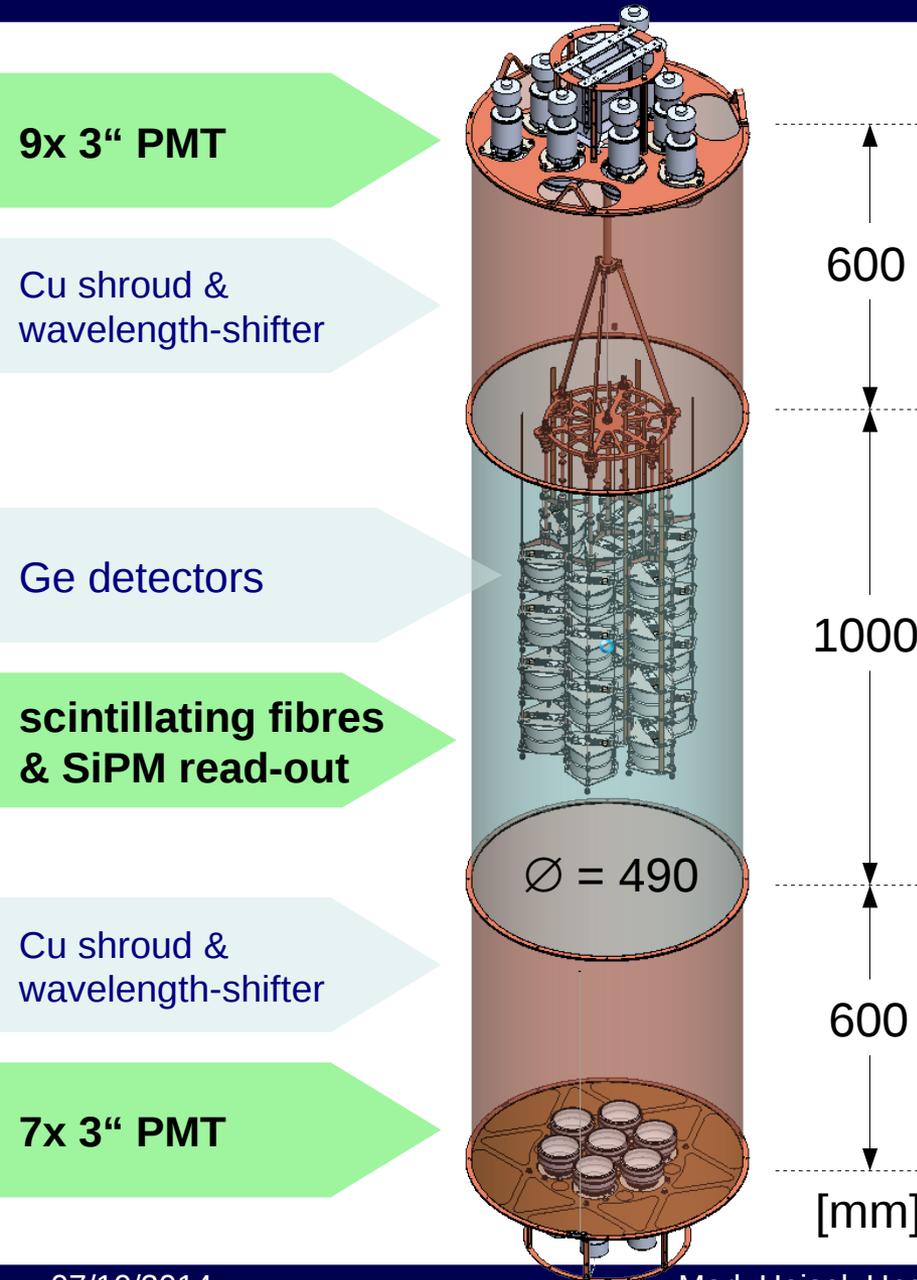


... suppression at region of interest



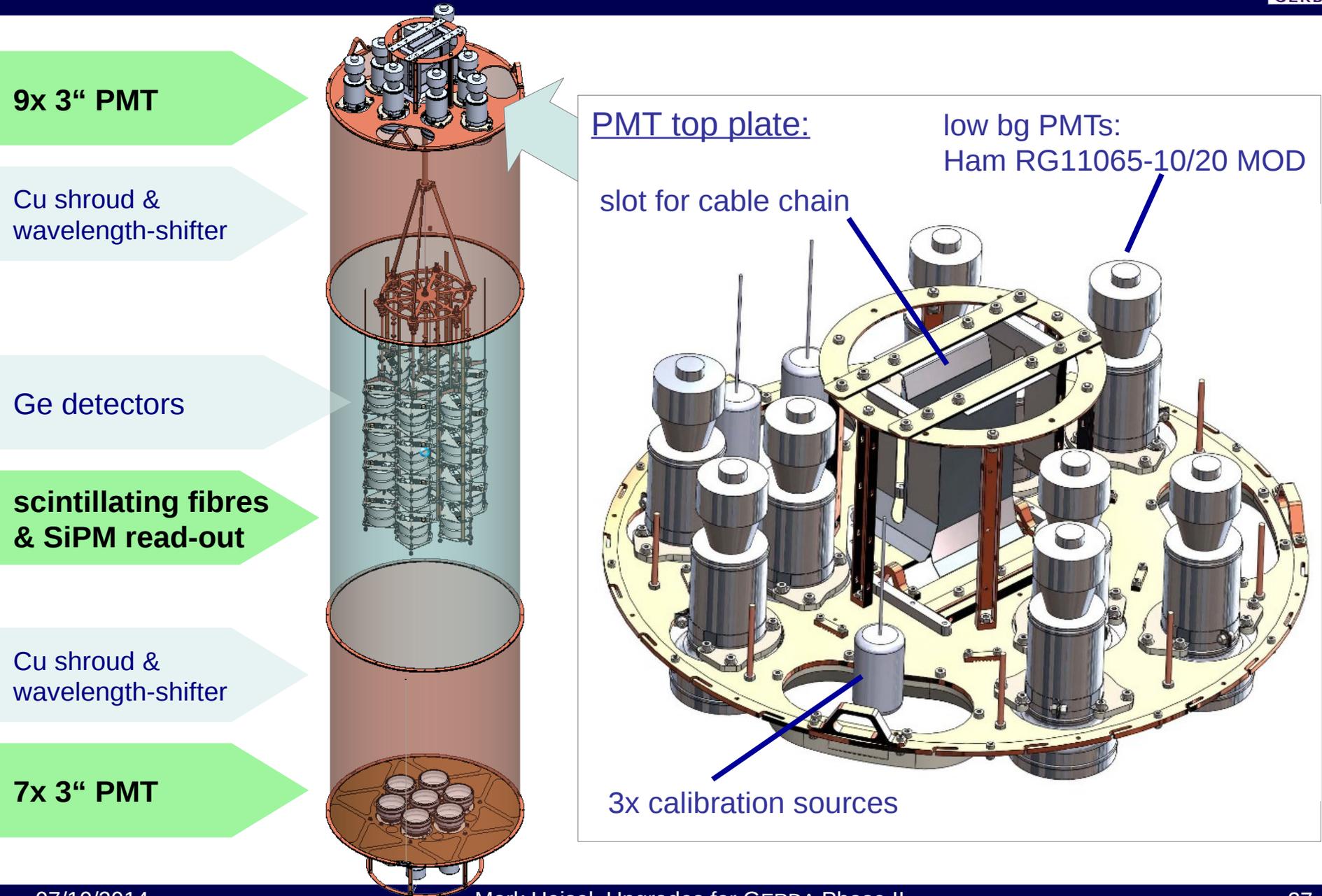
source	position	suppression factor		
		LAr veto	PSD	total
^{60}Co	int	27 ± 1.7	76 ± 8.7	3900 ± 1300
^{226}Ra	ext	3.2 ± 0.2	4.4 ± 0.4	18 ± 3
	int	4.6 ± 0.2	4.1 ± 0.2	45 ± 5
^{228}Th	ext	25 ± 1.2	2.8 ± 0.1	129 ± 15
	int	1180 ± 250	2.4 ± 0.1	5200 ± 1300

Liquid argon light instrumentation



PMTs and SIPMs & fibers are deployed together with detector array through Phase II lock w/o LAr drainage

Liquid argon light instrumentation



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9x 3" PMT

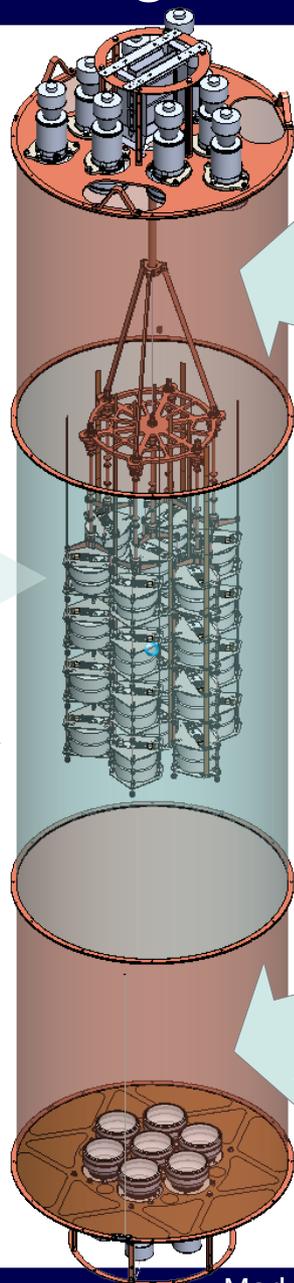
Cu shroud & wavelength-shifter

Ge detectors

scintillating fibres & SiPM read-out

Cu shroud & wavelength-shifter

7x 3" PMT



Cu shroud with Tetratex + WLS:



100 μ m copper foil welded to 2 mm flanges

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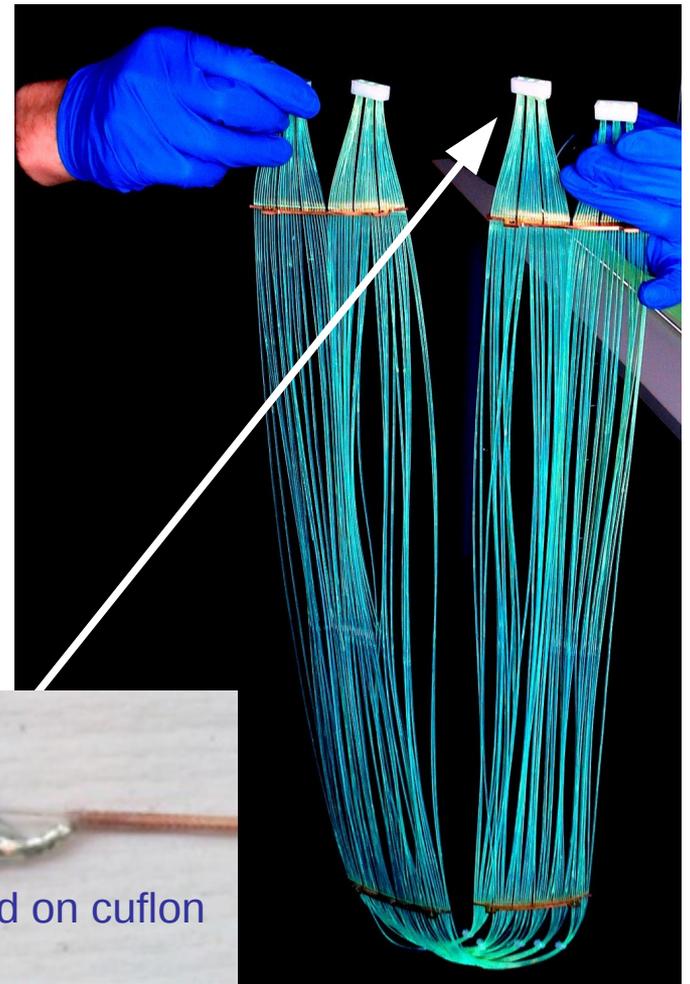
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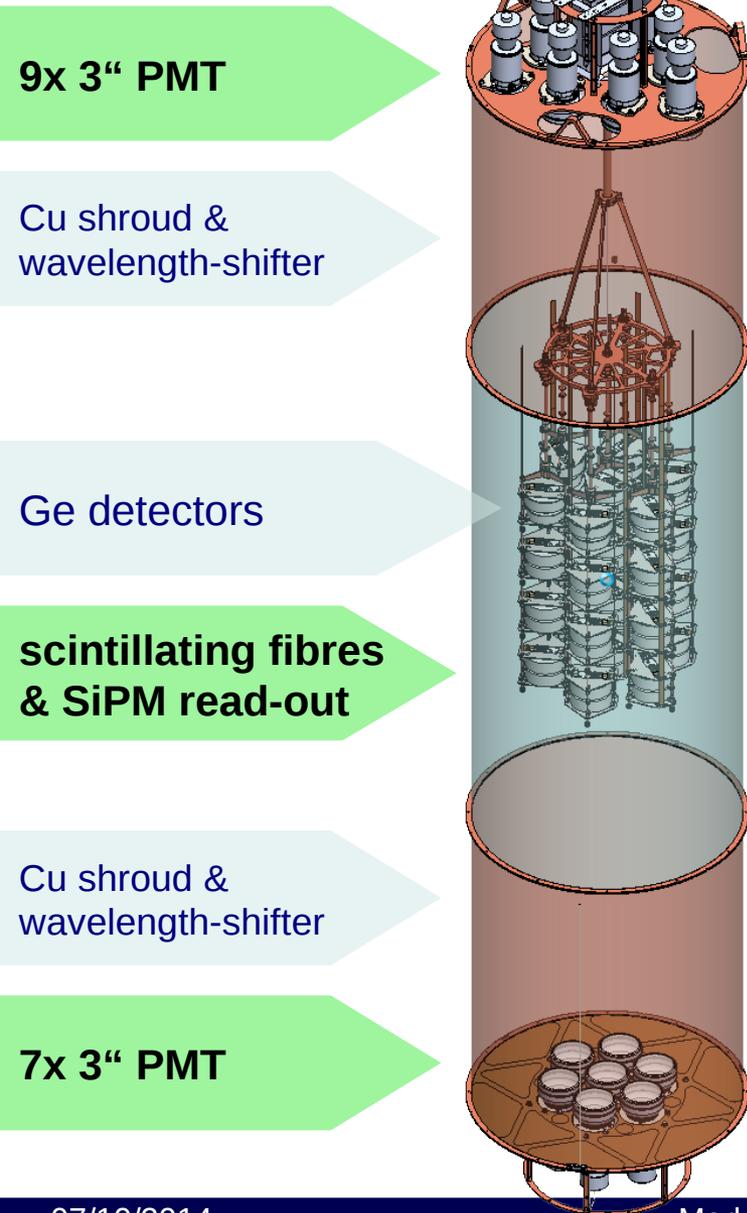
Scintillating fibres with KETEK SiPMs:

dense fibre curtain
mounted on low mass
copper
support
structure
(not shown)



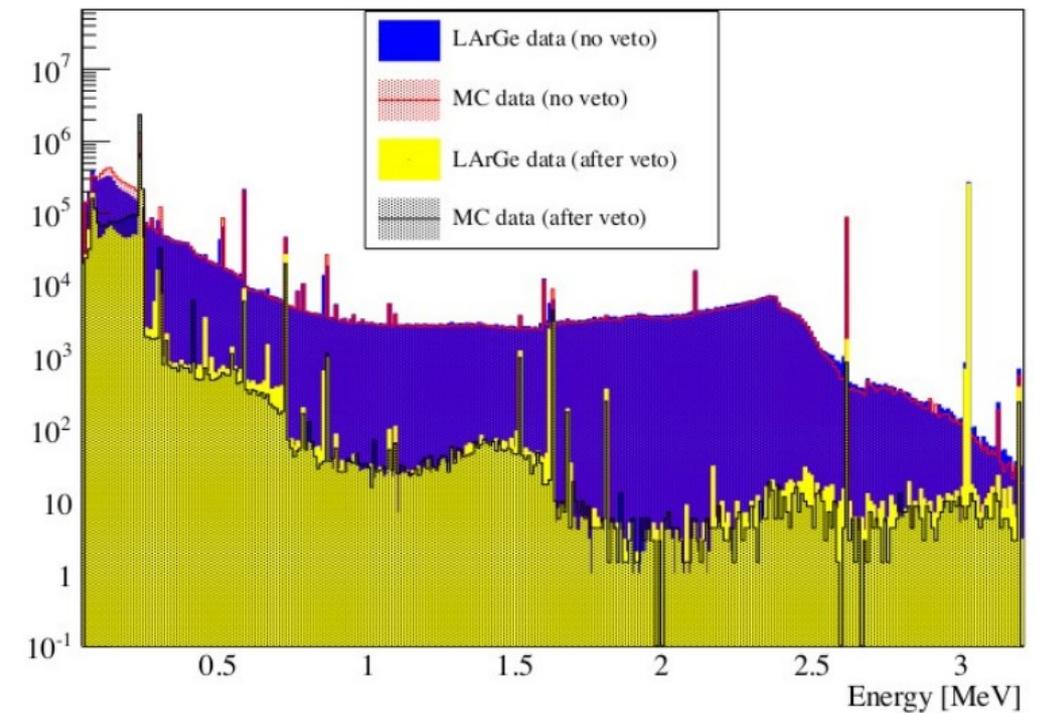
3 SiPMs mounted on cuflon
for 3x9 fibres

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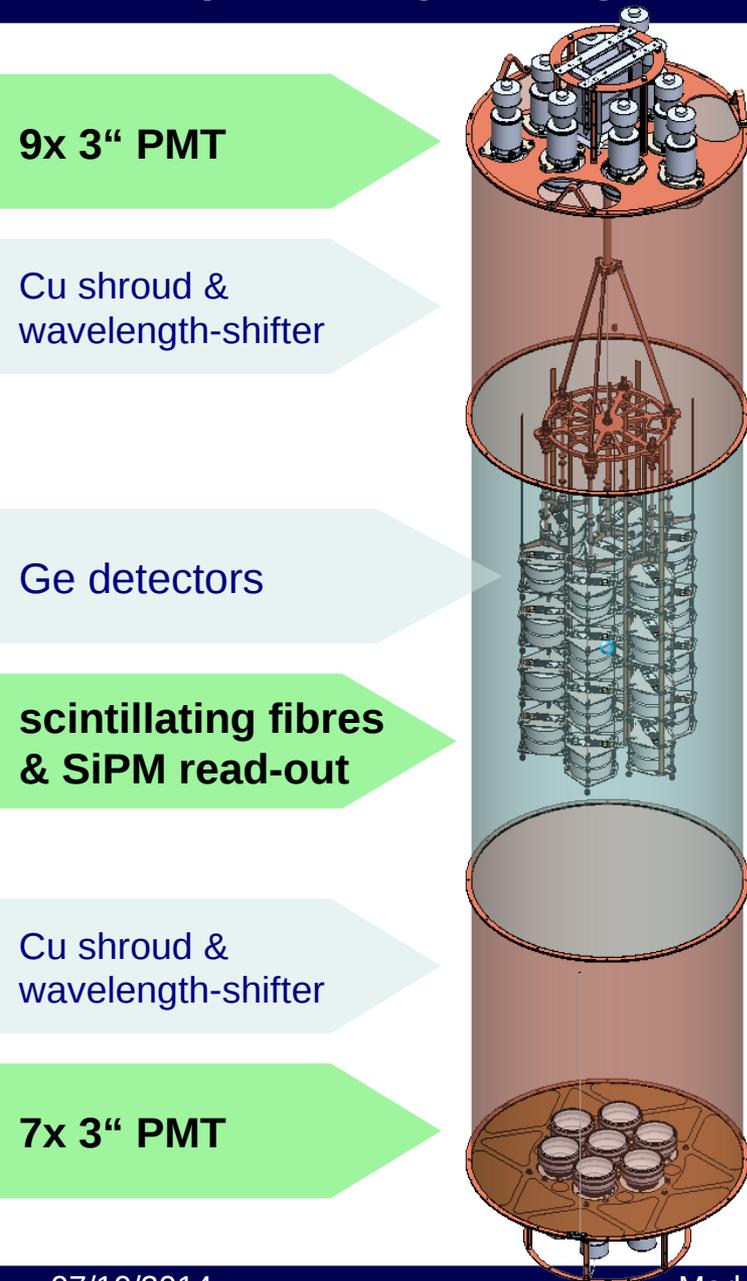


Monte Carlo (MC) campaign
to optimize veto geometry:

► good agreement between data & MC



Liquid argon light instrumentation



Monte Carlo (MC) campaign
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- ▶ good agreement between data & MC
- ▶ MC prediction around $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2039$ keV:

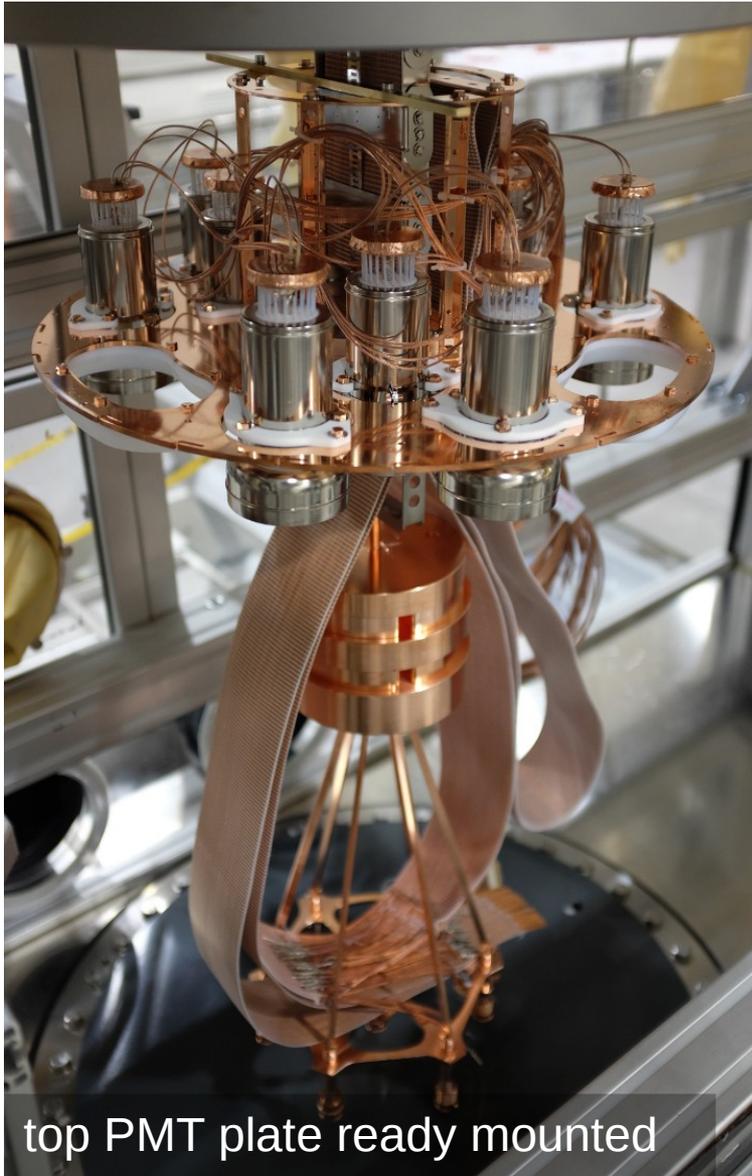
suppression factors:

$^{228}\text{Th} \rightarrow$ up to ~ 370

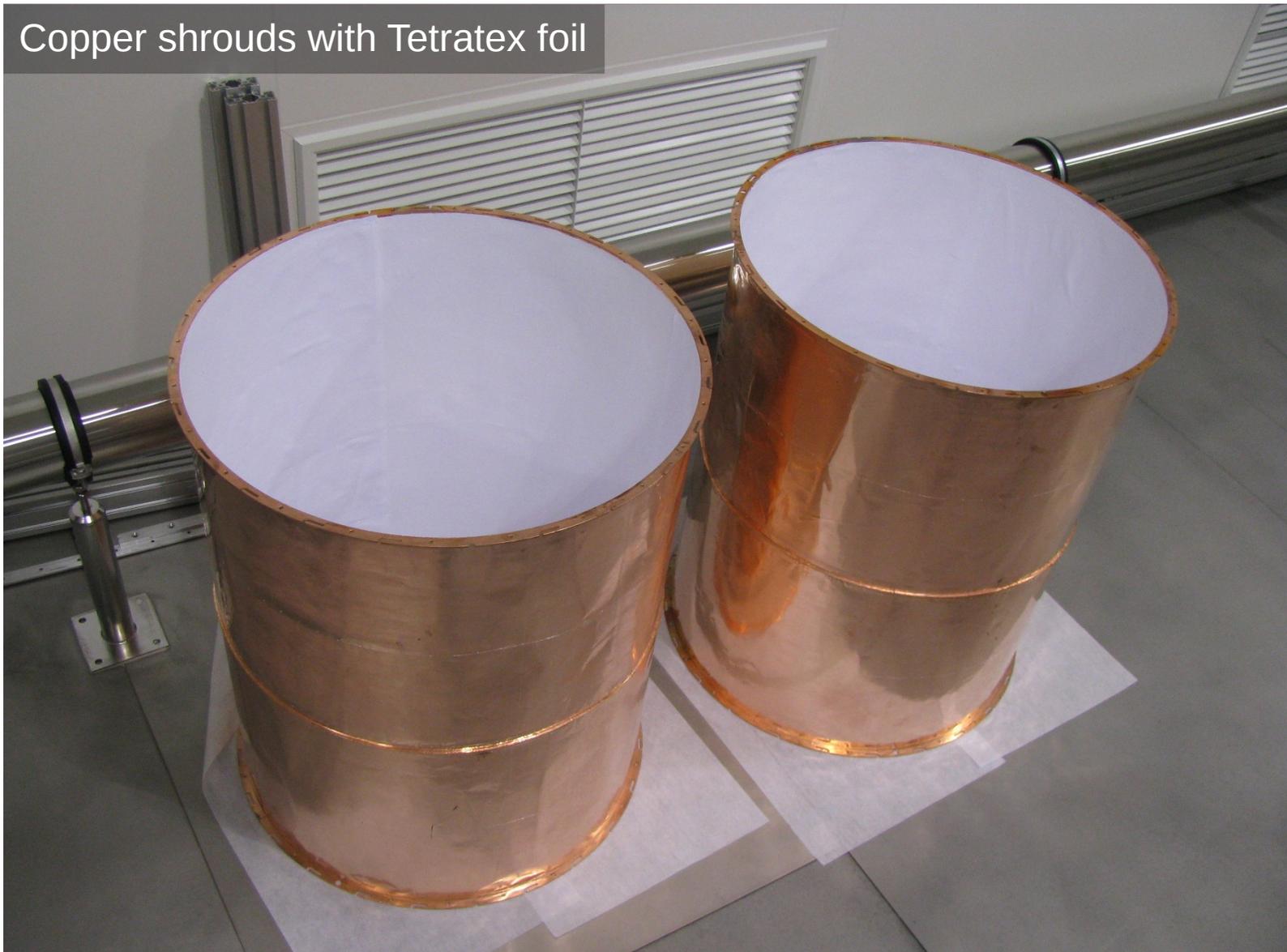
$^{214}\text{Bi} \rightarrow$ up to ~ 10

(depending on source location: e.g. detector holders, electronics ..., \rightarrow the closer the better)

LAr veto installation



Copper shrouds with Tetratex foil





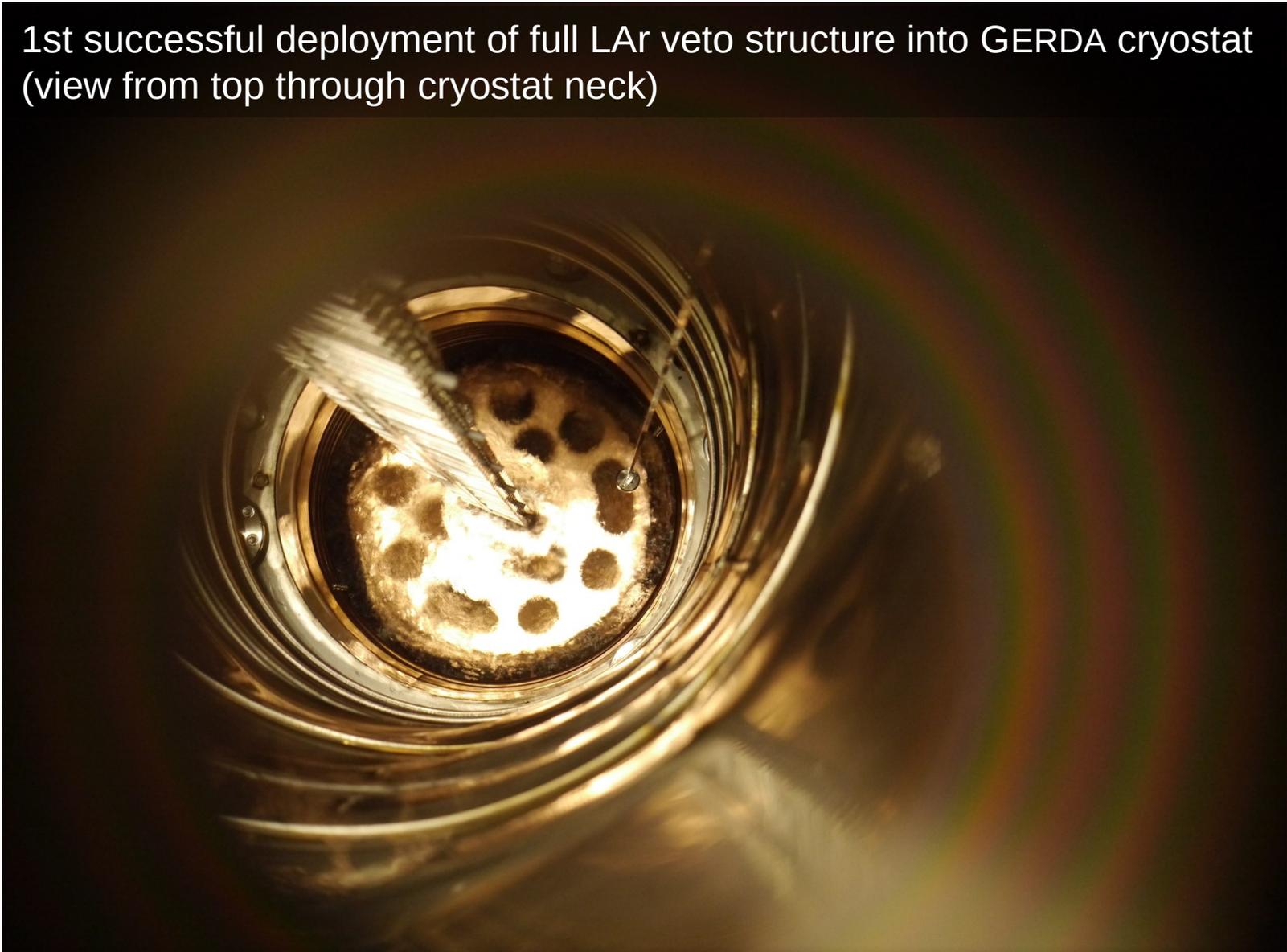
central shroud support structure in lock

LAr veto installation

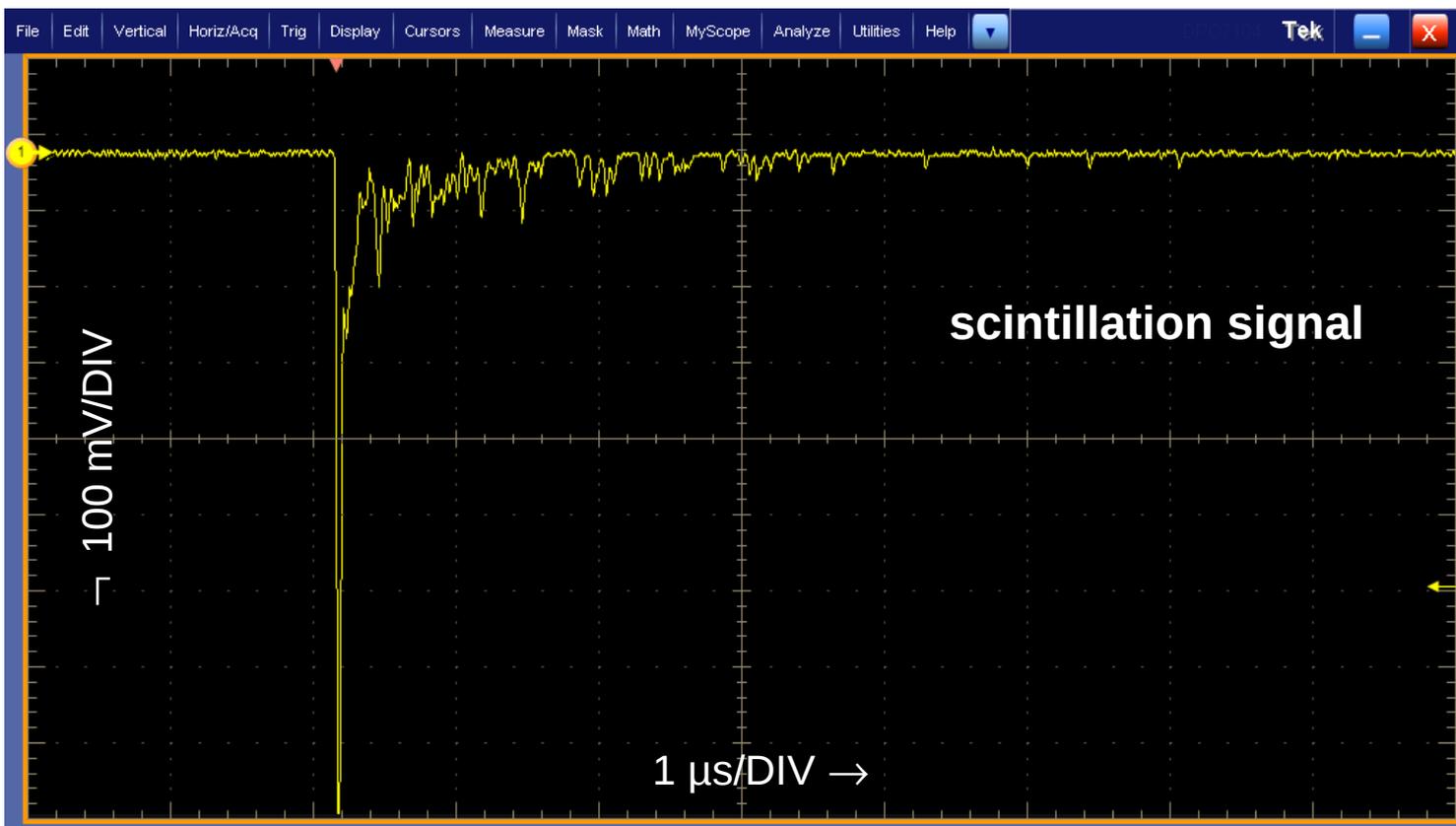
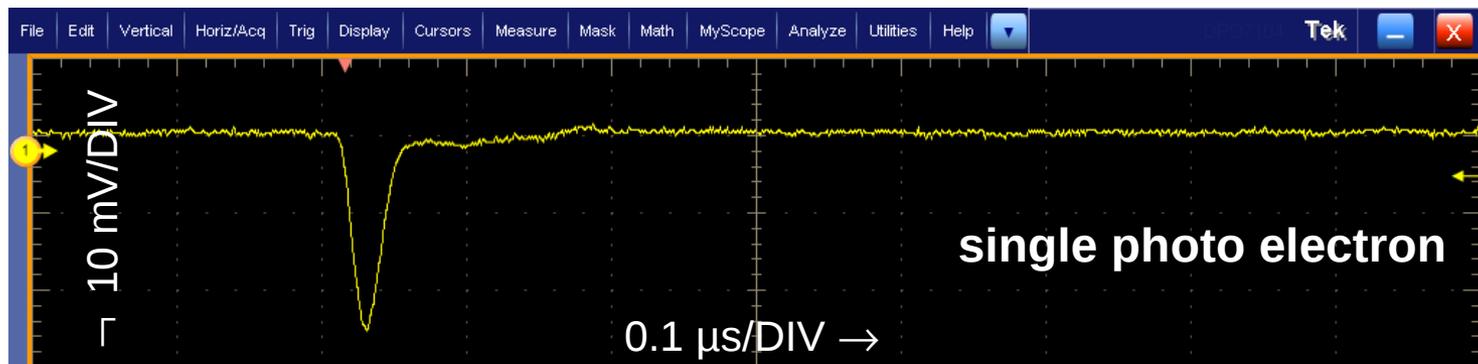
bottom PMT plate & shroud inside lock (w/o Tetratex)



1st successful deployment of full LAr veto structure into GERDA cryostat
(view from top through cryostat neck)



First PMT signals in cryostat



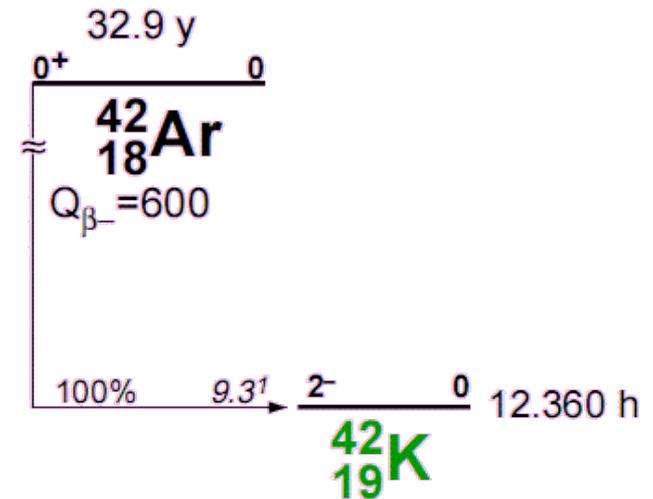
'Mini-shroud' against ^{42}K β -background



Phase I copper mini-shrouds

Phase I:

- ▶ copper mini-shrouds needed to prevent ^{42}K ions (progenies of ^{42}Ar) reach the detectors
 - shield E-field of detectors
 - shield against convection
- ▶ avoid crucial β -background ($E_{\beta} \leq 3.5$ MeV) from ^{42}K

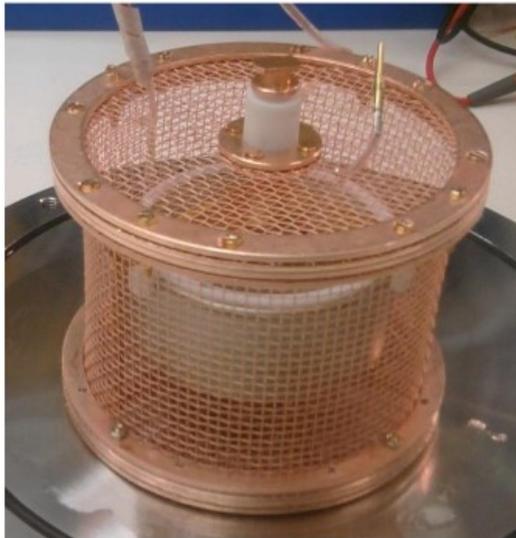


'Mini-shroud' against ^{42}K β -background

Phase II:

- ▶ need transparent or optically active mini-shroud to detect scintillation emitted close-by detectors

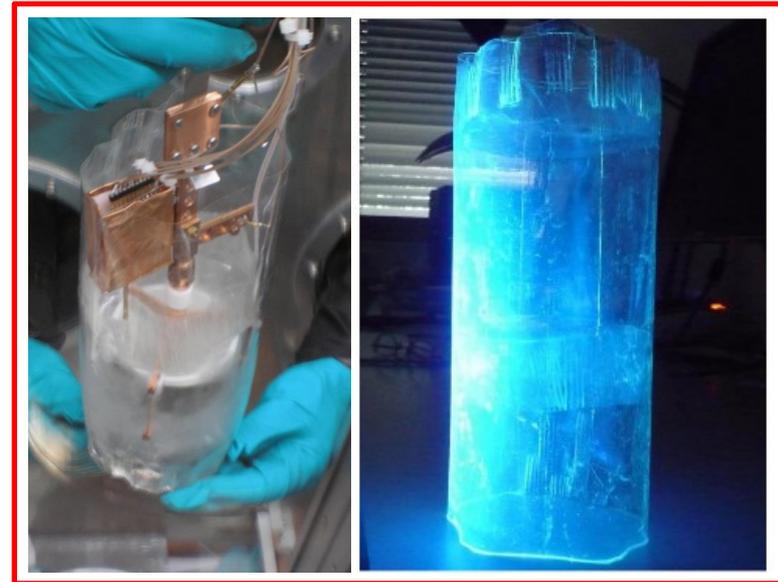
Several options were tested:



copper mesh on HV



SiPM
in non-transparent shroud

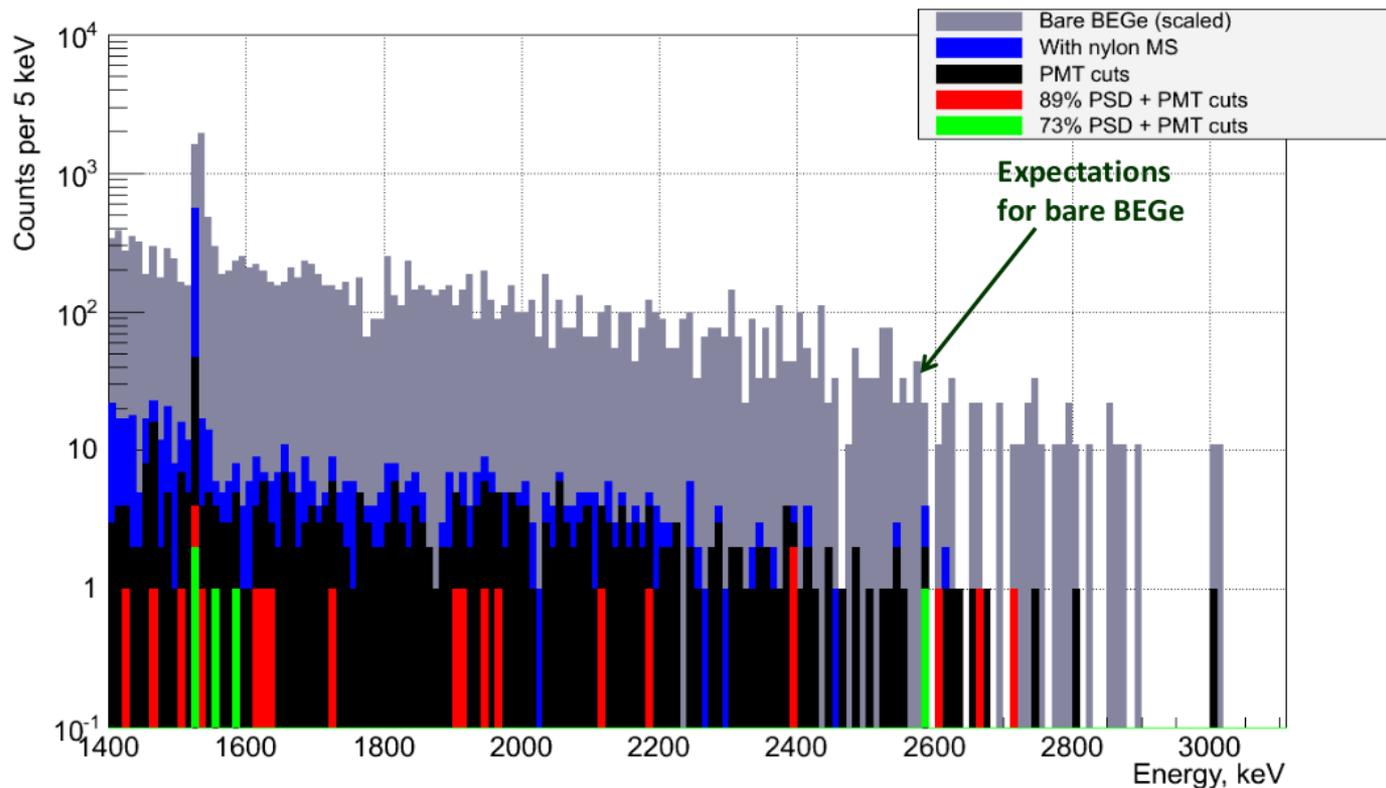


nylon shroud coated with TPB/PS

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Phase II:

suppression of ^{42}K background by three orders of magnitude at $Q_{\beta\beta}$ using LAr veto /w nylon mini-shroud and PSD:



nylon mini-shroud coated with TPB/PS

measurement in LArGe test bench spiked with ^{42}Ar statistics corresponding to ~ 17 kg \times yr in natural argon.

Conclusion

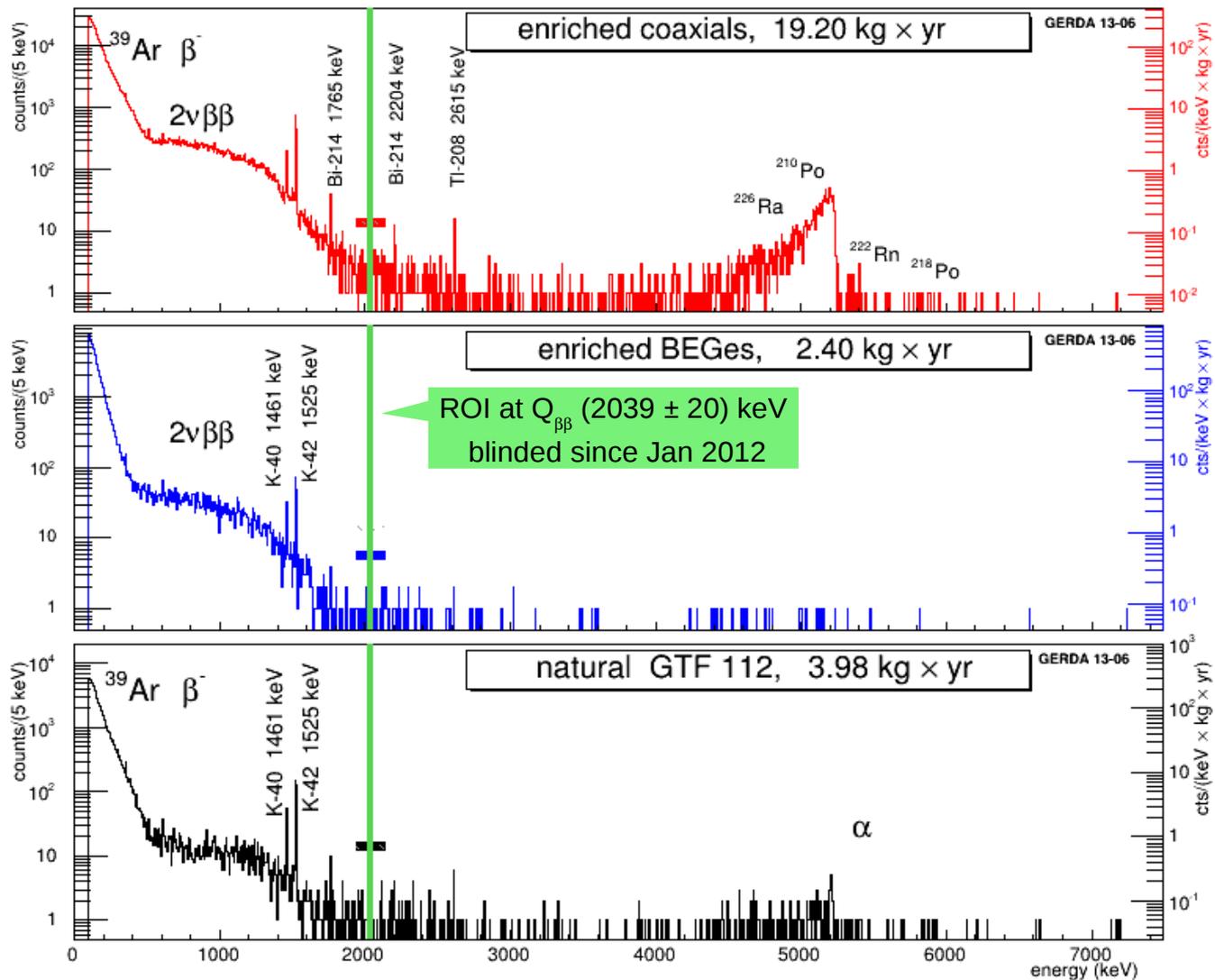
Phase II goals:

- ▶ exposure: 100 kg·yr within 3 years
 - ▶ background index: 1×10^{-3} cts/(keV·kg·yr)
 - ▶ successfully deploy new detectors & use LAr veto
- } $\Rightarrow T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.4 \times 10^{26}$ yr

Phase II upgrade status:

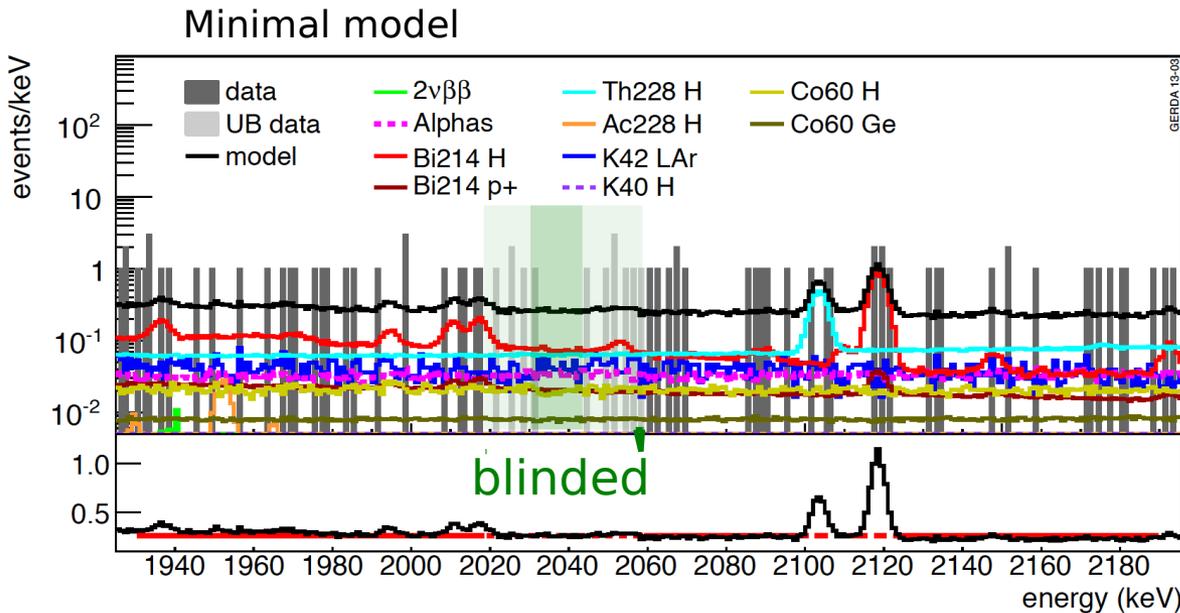
- ▶ new lock installed and ready to use
- ▶ 20.5 kg of new enr BEGe detectors procured, tested & stored at LNGS
- ▶ new detector holders & front end electronics available
- ▶ LAr instrumentation being installed in GERDA
- ▶ test of first BEGe string with LAr veto starting this month!

GERDA Phase I full energy spectrum

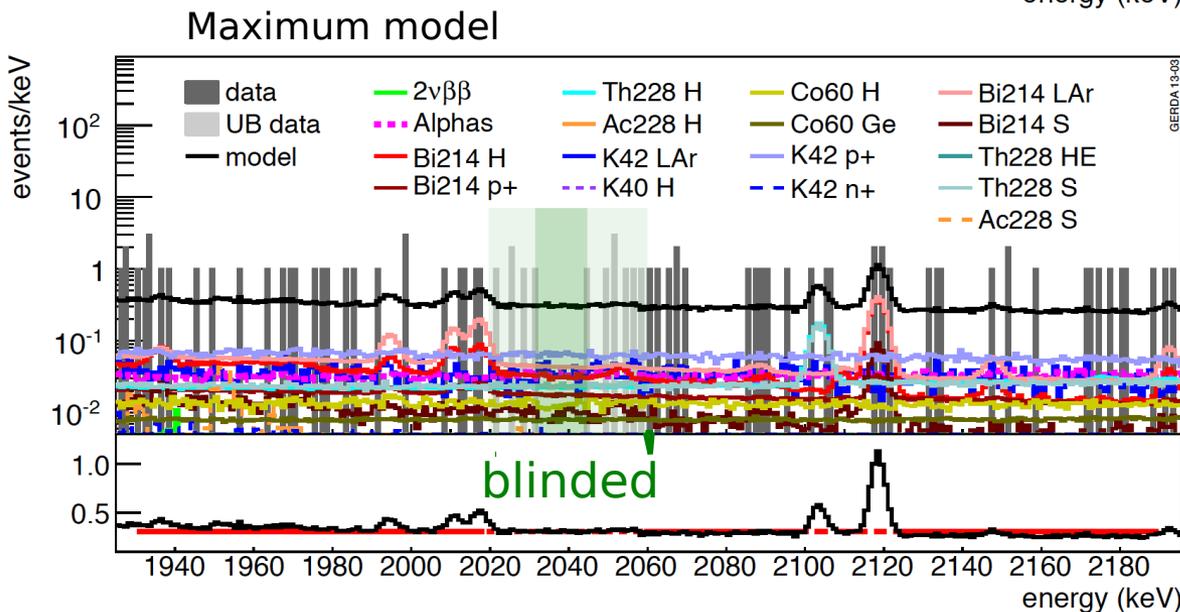


Dominant background sources: ⁴²Ar, ²²⁸Th & ²²⁶Ra in holder, α on detector surface

Background model at $Q_{\beta\beta}$



- ▶ **no background peak at $Q_{\beta\beta}$**
- ▶ **background is flat** in 1930-2190 keV
 - excluding known peaks at 2104 and 2119 keV
 - expect $\ll 1$ event in other weak ^{214}Bi lines (e.g. 2017, 2053 keV)
- ▶ **partial unblinding** after fixing calibration & background model



Background index:

Golden coax:

$$\text{BI} = 1.75^{+0.26}_{-0.24} \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ cts}/(\text{keV kg yr})$$

BEGe:

$$\text{BI} = 3.6^{+1.3}_{-1.0} \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ cts}/(\text{keV kg yr})$$

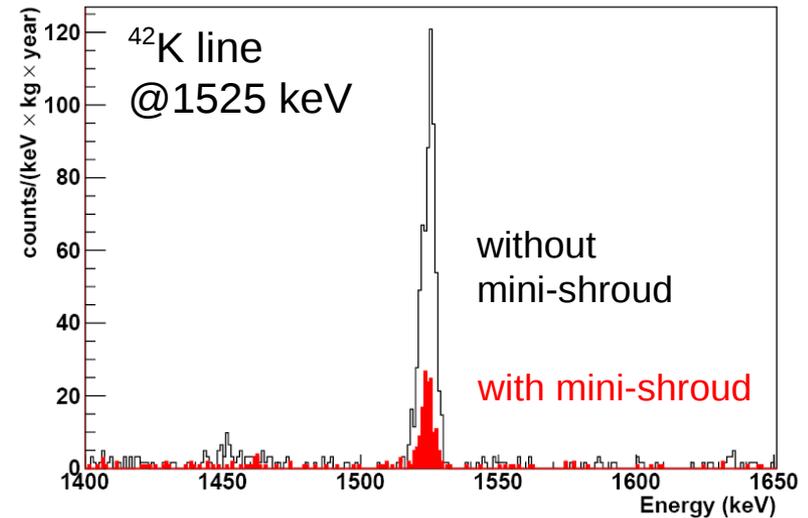
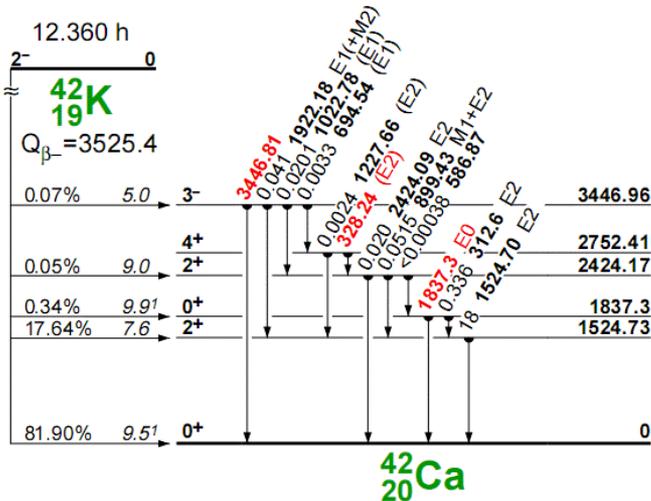
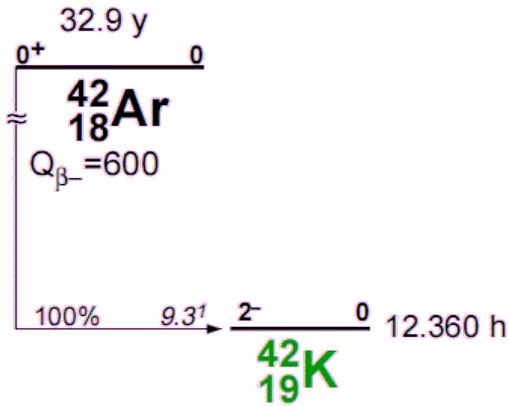
^{42}K background

^{42}Ar activity used for proposal:
measured in GERDA:

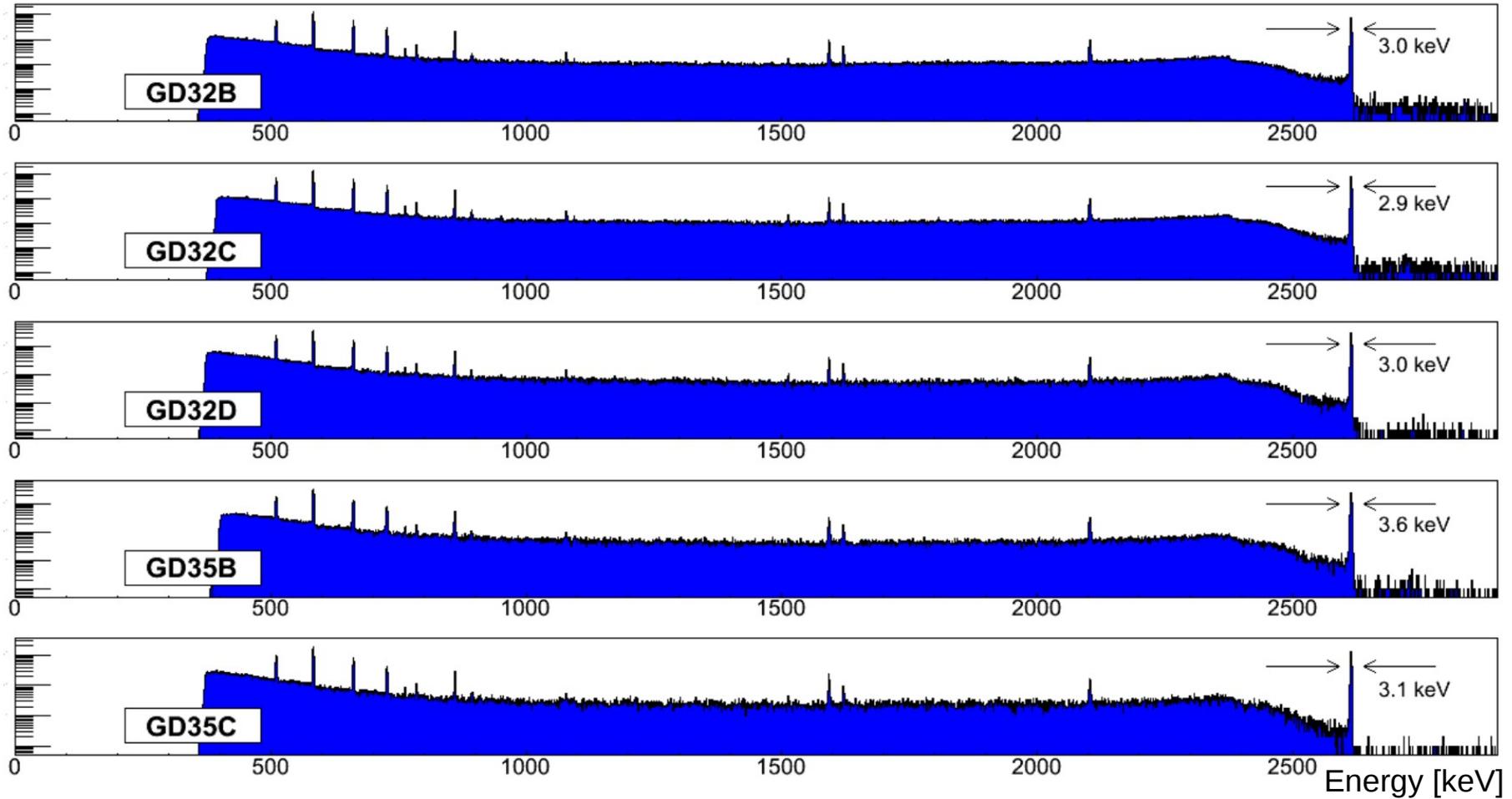
$<41 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$ @90% CL
 $(93.0 \pm 6.4) \mu\text{Bq/kg}$

[Barabash et al.,2002]
(preliminary result)

- ▶ background enhanced by collection of ^{42}K ions via E-field
- ▶ therefore: E-field & convection free configuration in 'mini-shroud'

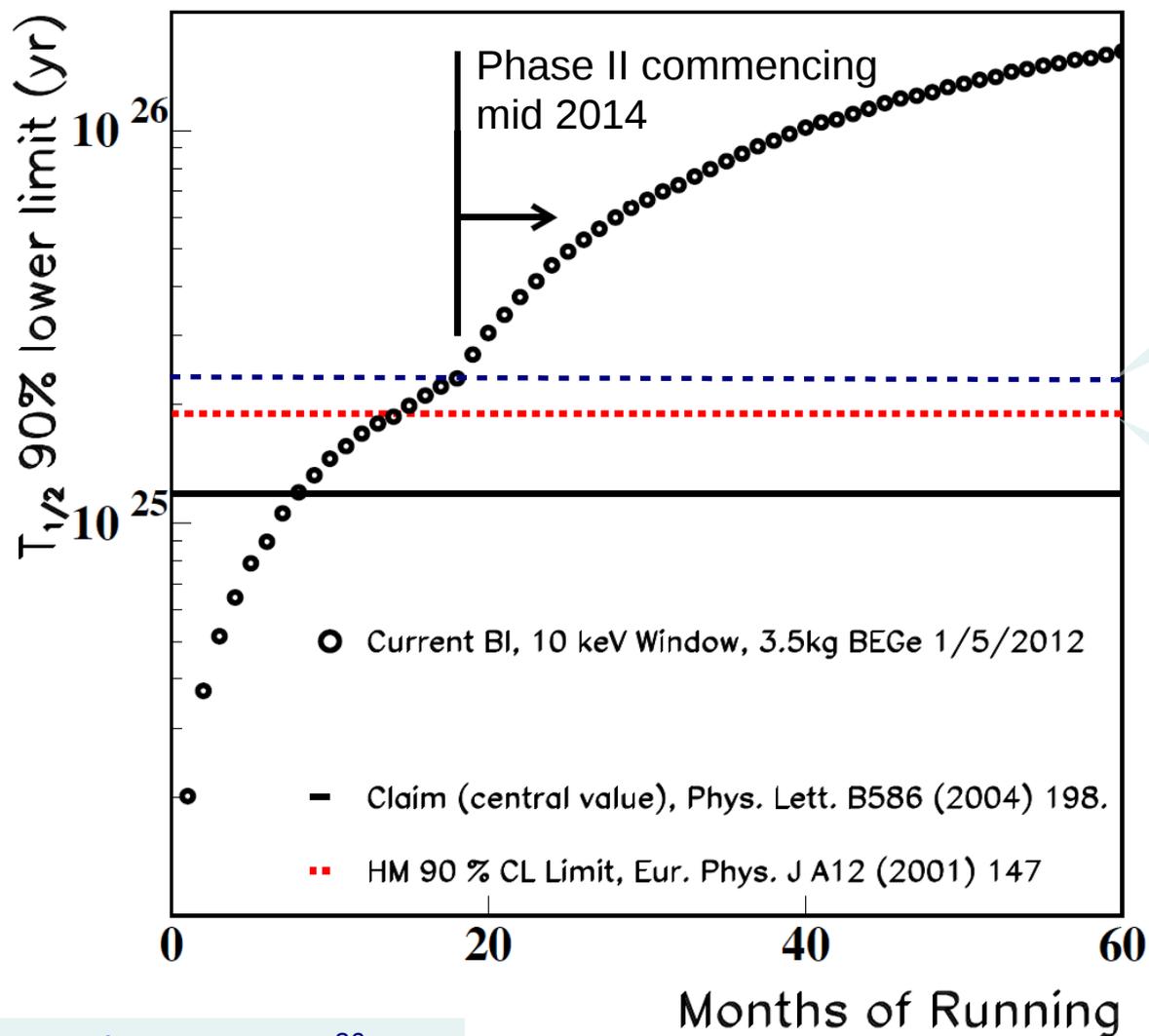


July 2012: 5 ^{enr}BEGe's deployed in GERDA



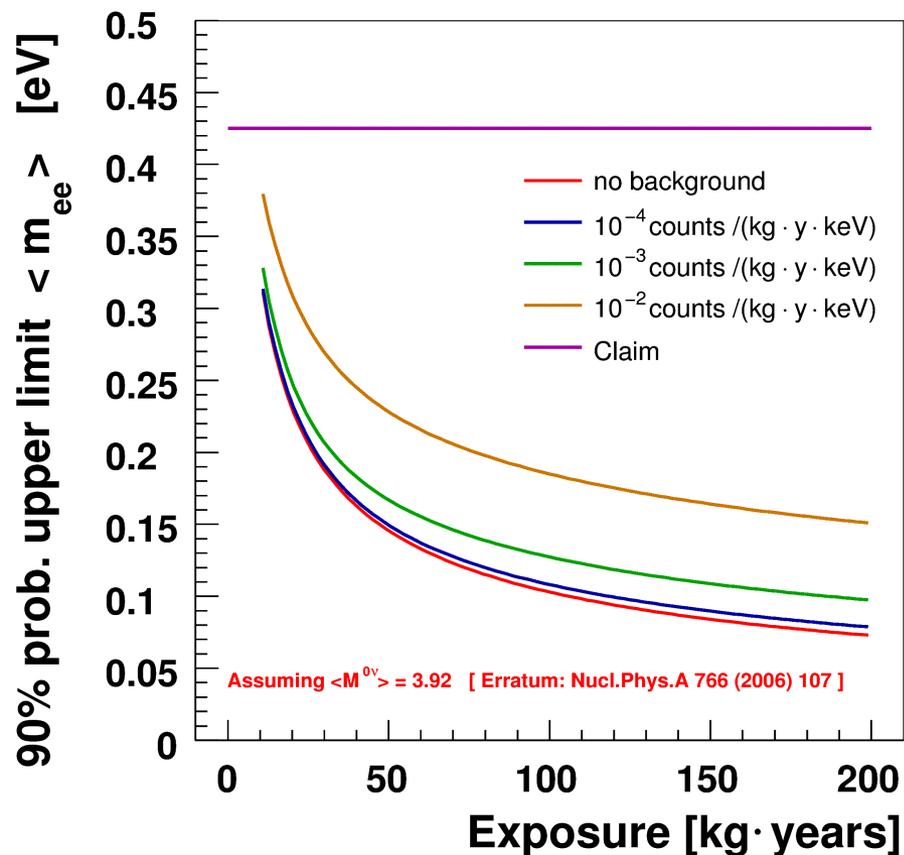
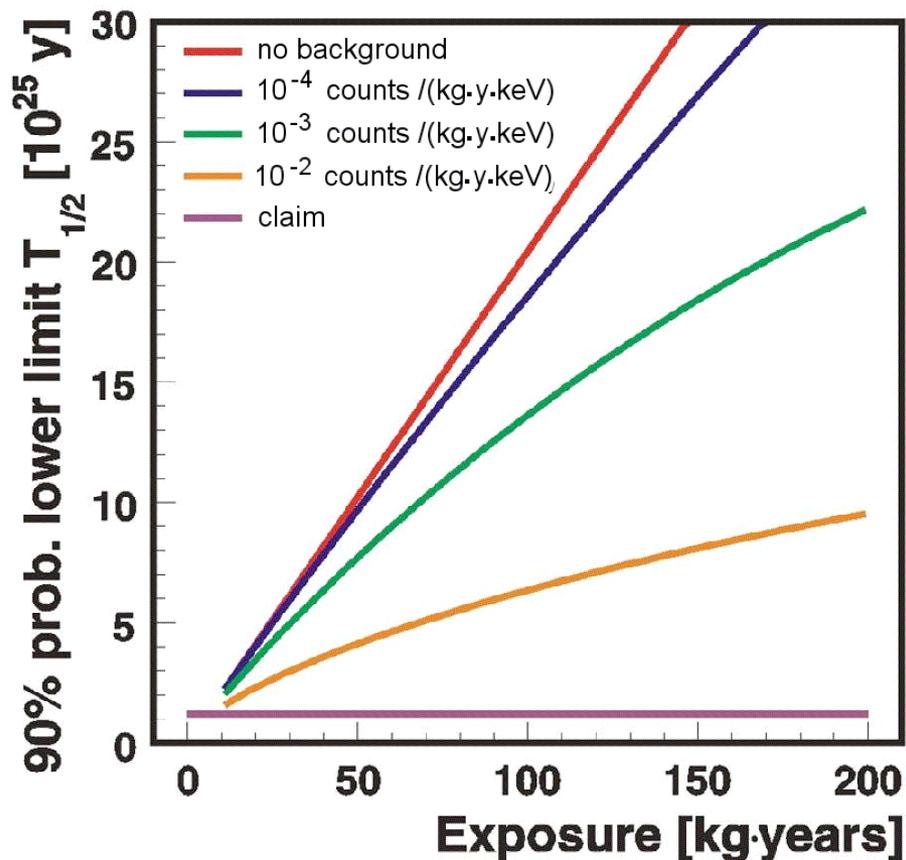
total mass: 3.6 kg

GERDA $0\nu\beta\beta$ sensitivity projection

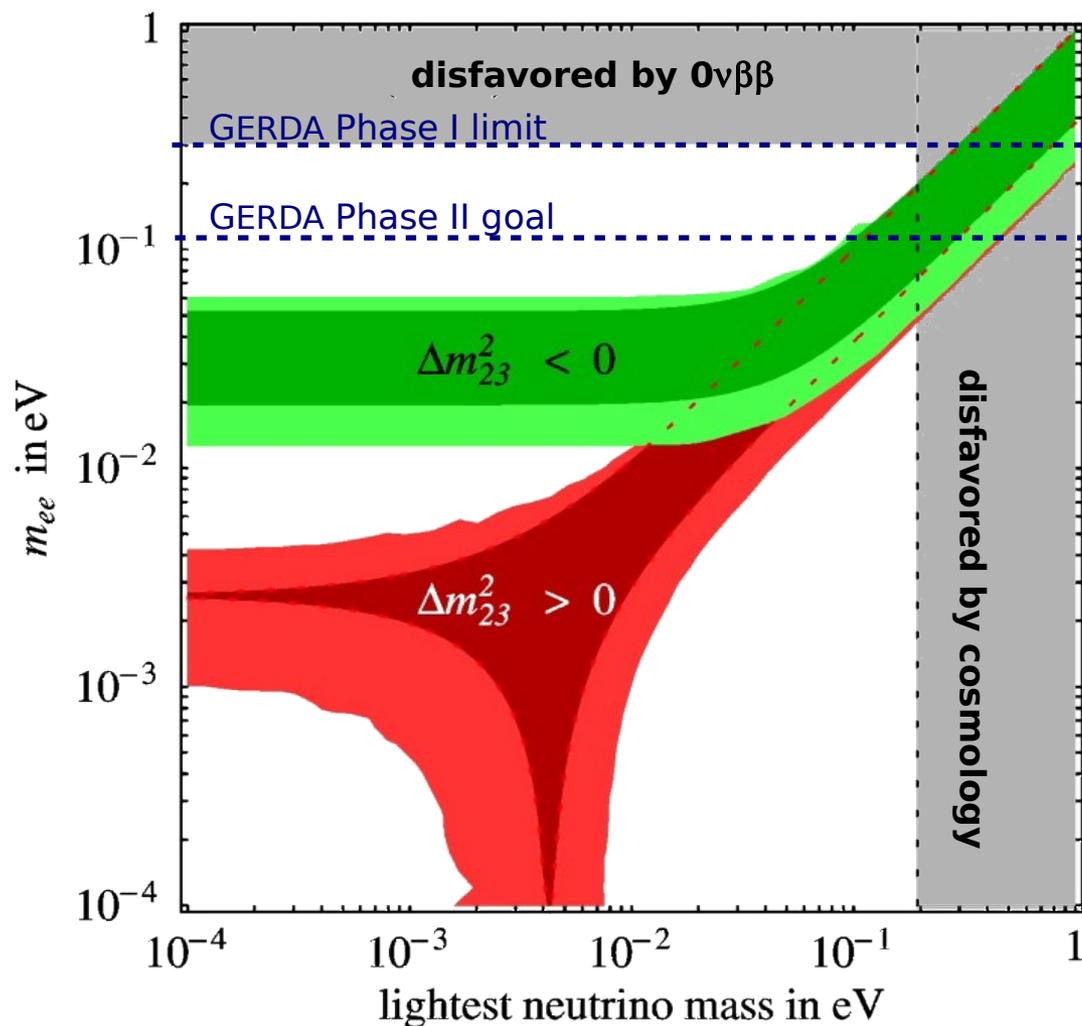


Phase II goal: $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.5 \times 10^{26}$ yr

GERDA $0\nu\beta\beta$ sensitivity projection



Neutrino hierarchy? Neutrino mass scale?

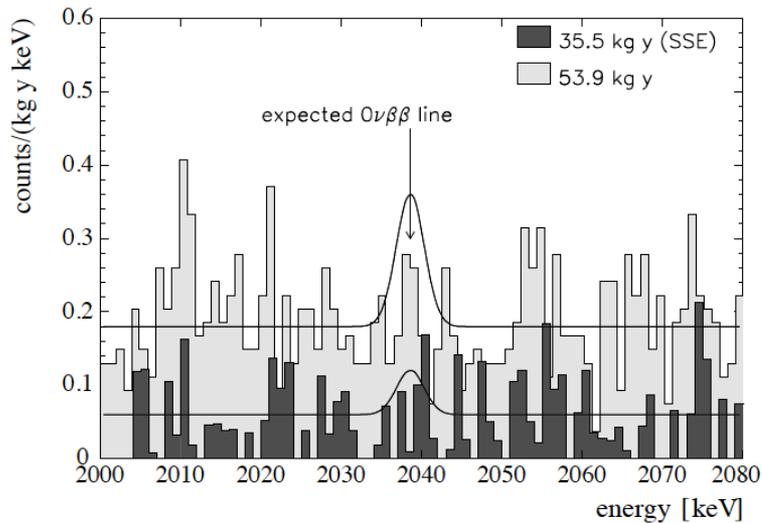


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effective electron neutrino mass:

$$|m_{ee}| \equiv \left| \sum U_{ei}^2 m_i \right| = \left| |U_{e1}|^2 m_1 + |U_{e2}|^2 m_2 e^{2i\alpha} + |U_{e3}|^2 m_3 e^{2i\beta} \right|$$

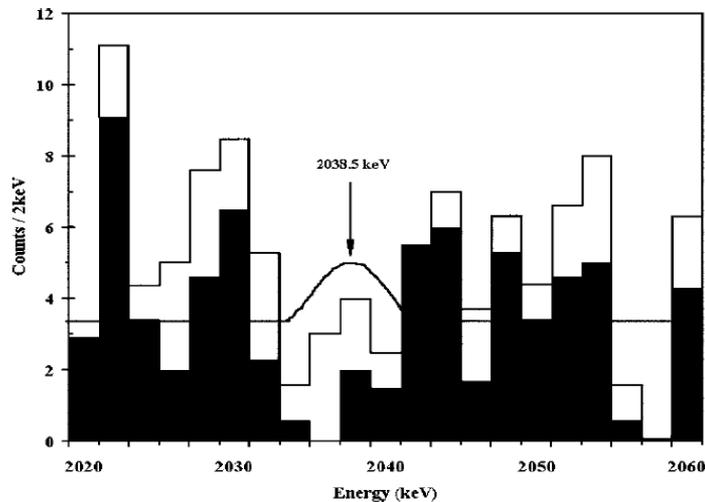
m_i =masses of n mass eigenstates, U_{ei} =elements of neutrino mixing matrix, $e^{2i\alpha,\beta}$ = Majorana CP phases



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[H.V. Klapdor-Kleingrothaus et al.,
(Eur. Phys. J. A 12, 147-154 (2001))]

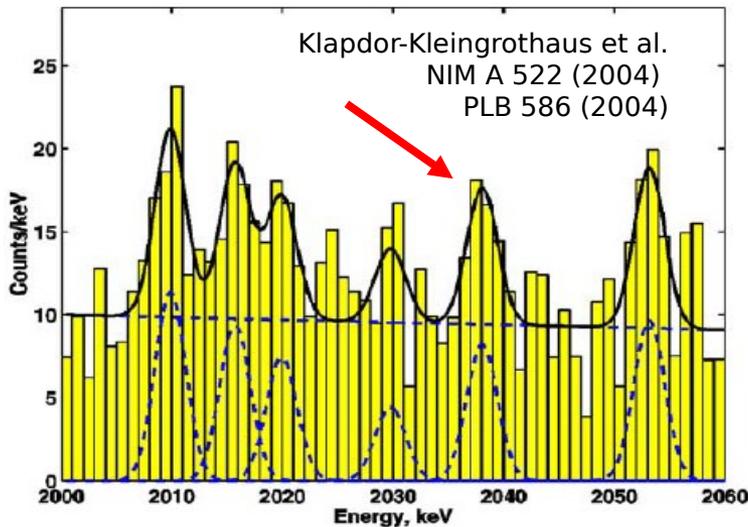
Exposure	Result $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$	
53.9 kg·yr	$> 1.3 \times 10^{25}$ yr	(no PSD)
35.5 kg·yr	$> 1.9 \times 10^{25}$ yr	(with PSD) (90% C.L.)



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[Aalseth et al.,
Phys. Rev. D 65 (2002) 092007]

Exposure	Result $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$	
8.8 kg·yr:	$> 1.6 \times 10^{25}$ yr	(90% C.L.)



Klapdor-Kleingrothaus et al. (2004)
[NIM A 522 371 (2004), PLB 586 198 (2004)]

- ▶ Claim: 4.2 σ evidence for $0\nu\beta\beta$
 $T_{1/2} = 1.19 \times 10^{25}$ yr
- ▶ Exposure: 71.7 kg·yr,
Background: 0.17 / (kg·yr·keV)
- ▶ Events: 28.75 ± 6.87 (bgd: ~60)

Klapdor-Kleingrothaus et al. (2006)
[Mod. Phys. Lett. A 21, 1547 (2006)]

- ▶ Claim: $T_{1/2} = 2.23 \times 10^{25}$ yr ($\sim 6\sigma$)
- ▶ not considered by us, because:
 - (1) reported half-life can be reconstructed* only with $\epsilon_{\text{psd}} = 1$ (previous similar analysis $\epsilon_{\text{psd}} \approx 0.6$)
 - (2) $\epsilon_{\text{fep}} = 1$ (also used in result from 2004),
GERDA value for same detectors is $\epsilon_{\text{fep}} = 0.9$

* B. Schwingenheuer in Ann. Phys. 525, 269 (2013)