

# Dark Matter searches via direct detection

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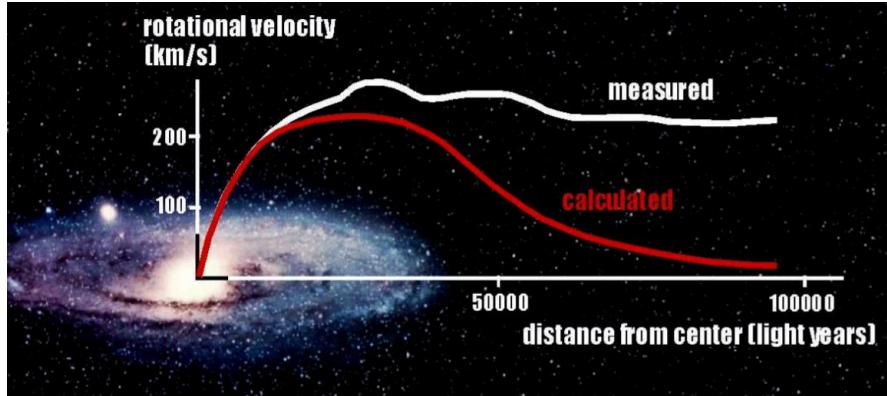
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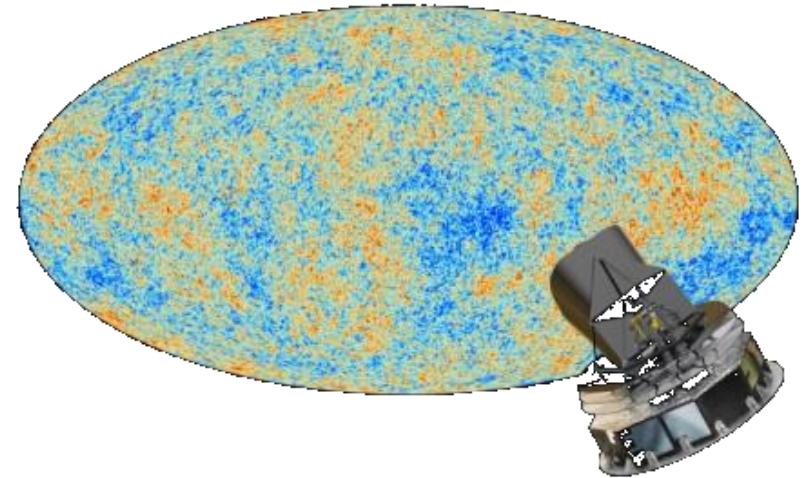
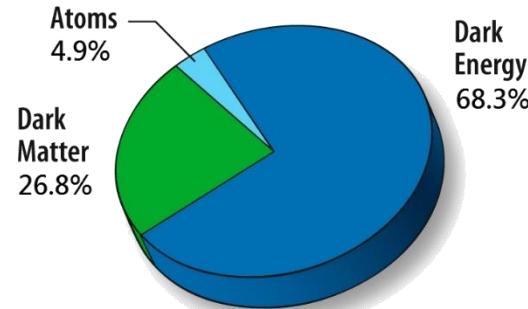
- INTRO
- Direct detection status @ 2018
- DM Annual Modulation & DAMA signal
- Checking the DAMA signal: ANAIS experiment

# Intro: DM

The evidence for DM in the Universe is beyond question

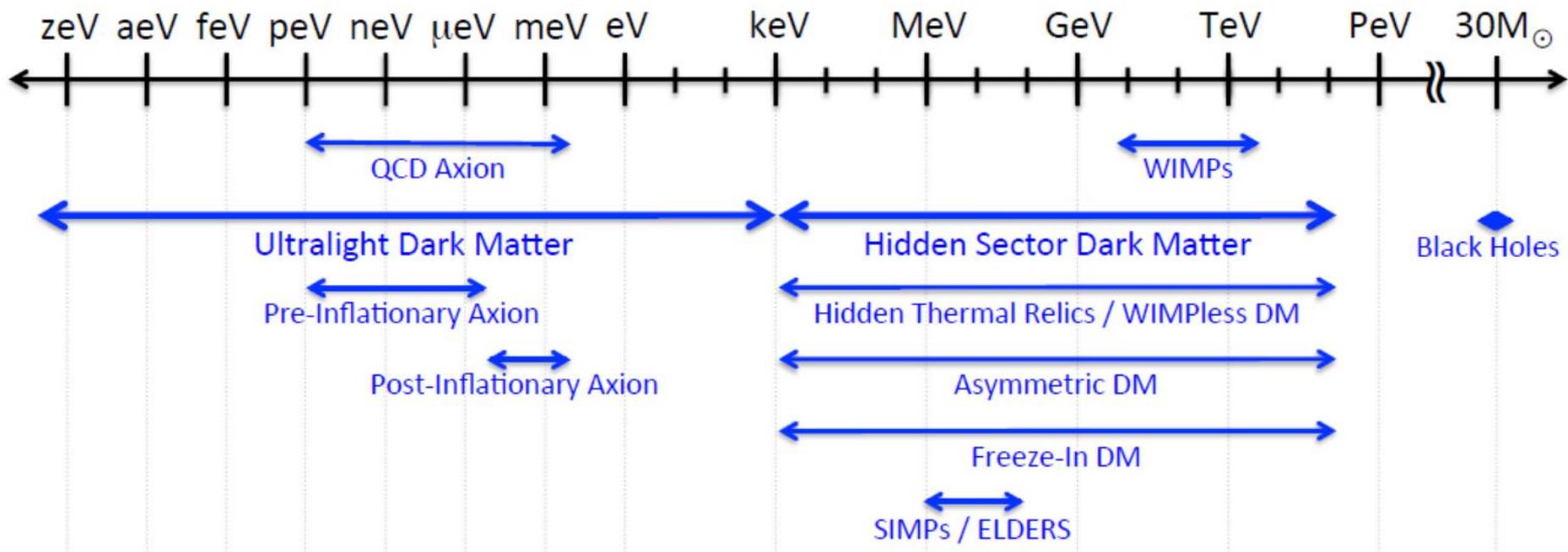


We know how much there is:



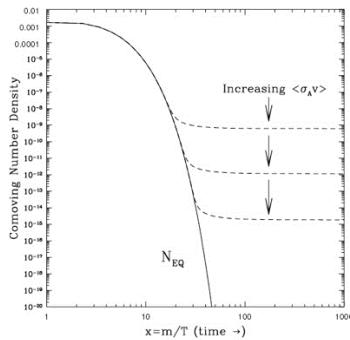
But we don't know what it is DM made of !!

# DM Candidates



From “US Cosmic Visions: New Ideas in Dark Matter 2017:Community Report”, arXiv:1707.04591

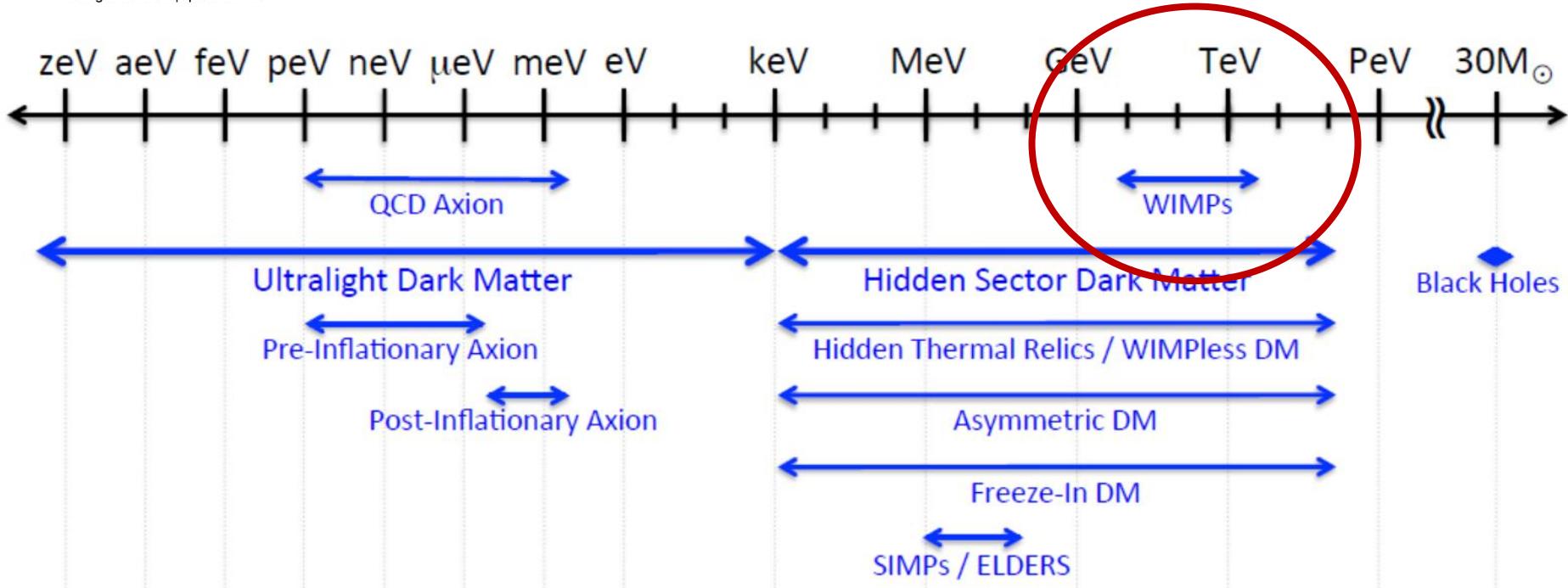
# WIMPS



Jungman et al hep-ph/9506380

Abundance of a thermal relic  $\sim \frac{0.1 \text{ pb}}{\langle \sigma_A v/c \rangle}$

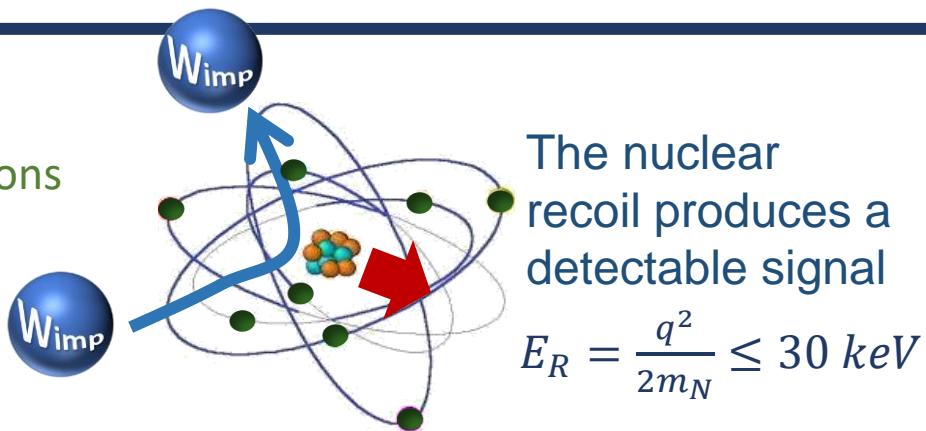
- For the observed DM density,  $\sigma$  corresponds to the one expected for a new weak-interacting particle (WIMPs)
- WIMPs predicted in many extensions of the Standard Model such as SUSY



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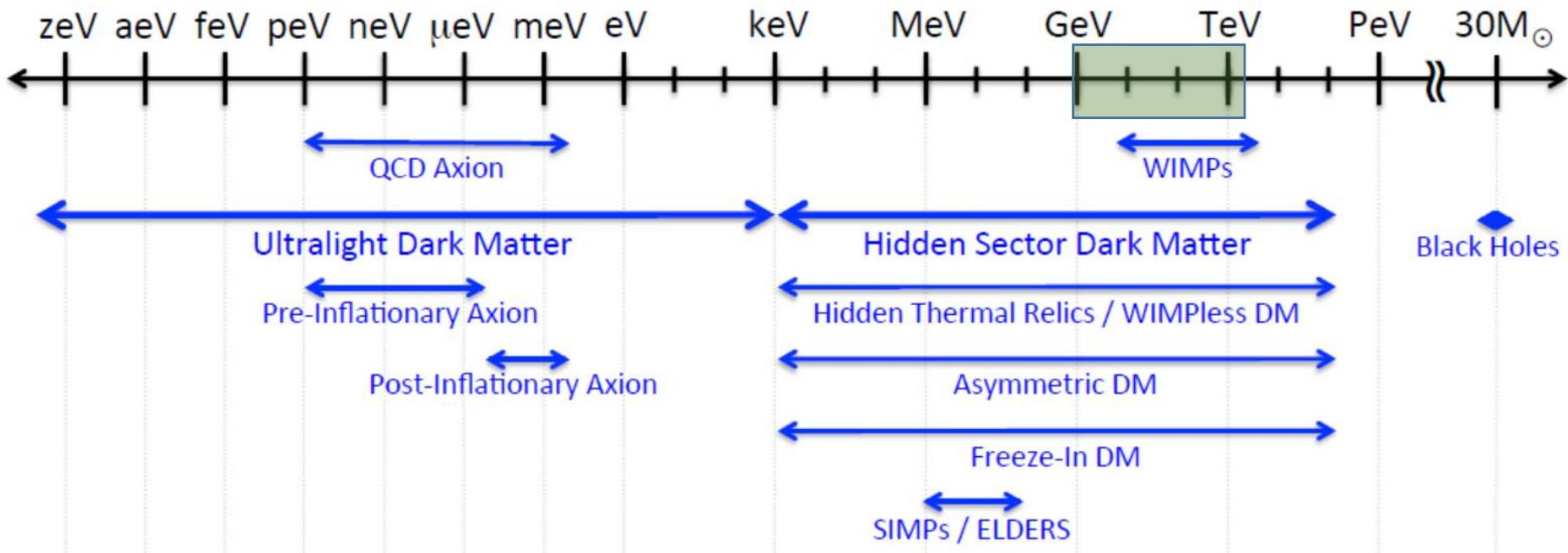
# DM direct detection

Look for  
WIMP collisions  
With atomic  
nuclei



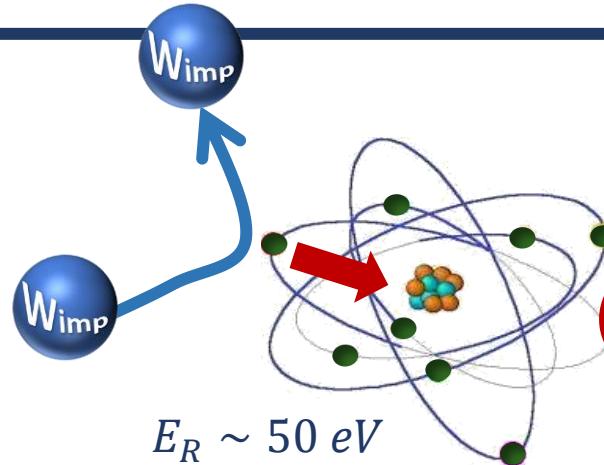
The nuclear recoil produces a detectable signal  
 $E_R = \frac{q^2}{2m_N} \leq 30 \text{ keV}$

**“standard”  
Direct detection  
(DM-nucleon  
elastic scattering)**

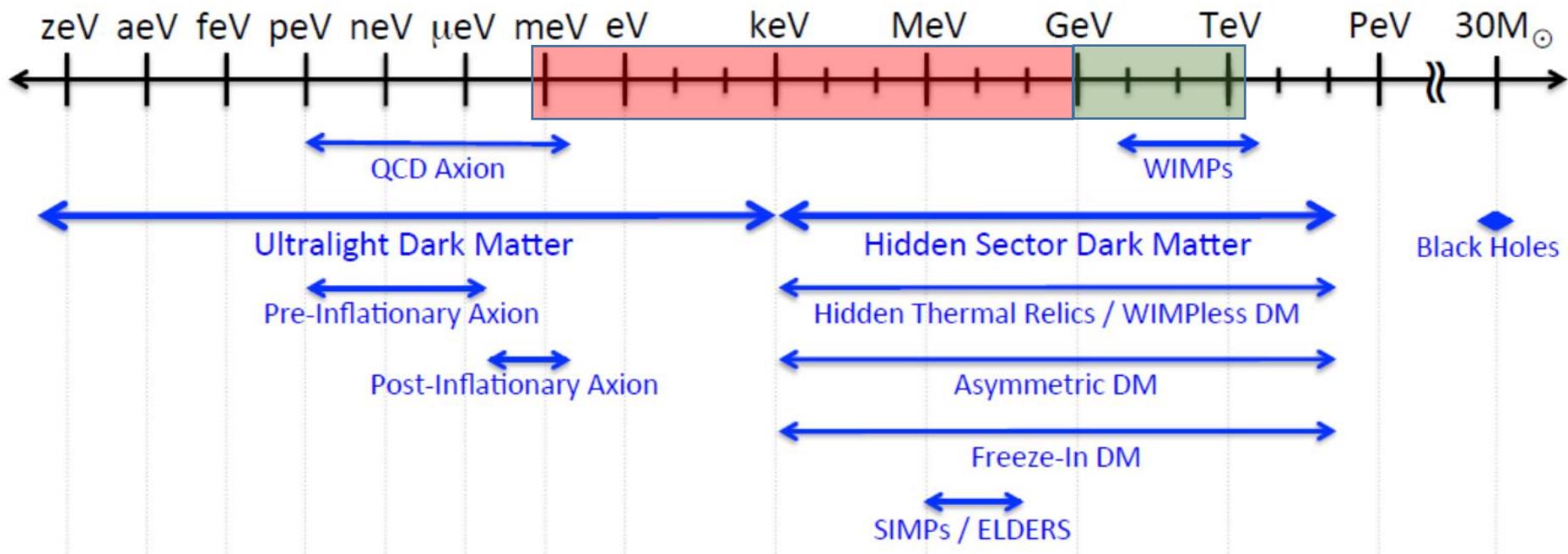


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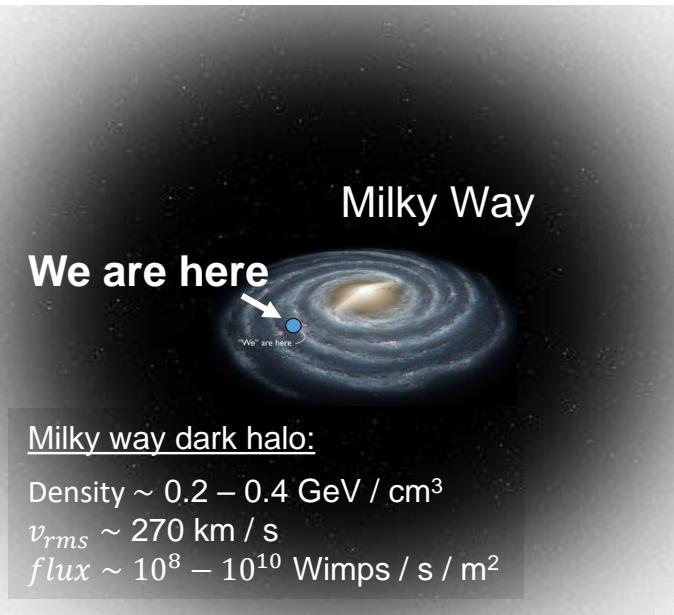


New ideas for sub-GeV “standard”  
Direct detection Direct detection  
(including DM-electron (DM-nucleon  
scattering) elastic scattering)



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# Expected WIMP rate

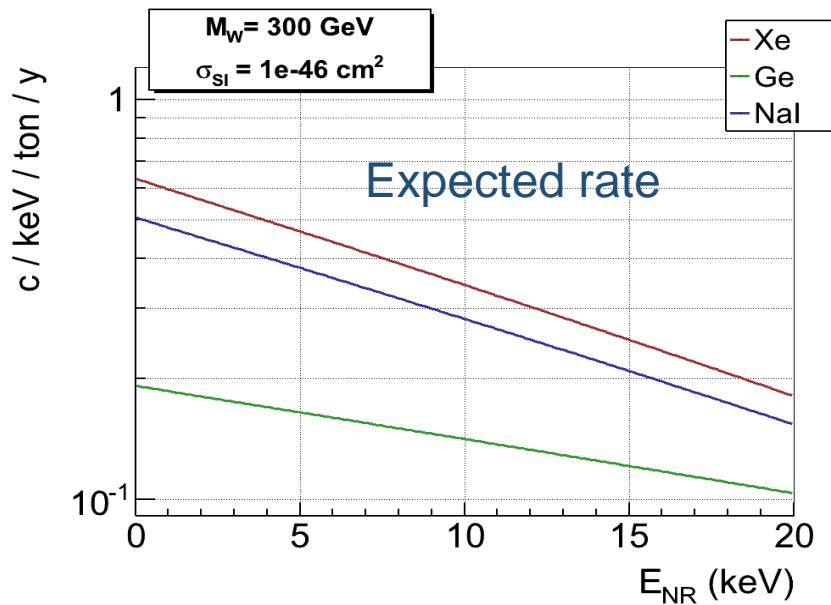


Extremely low and without characteristic signatures  
(no peaks!)

Expected rate @ Earth:

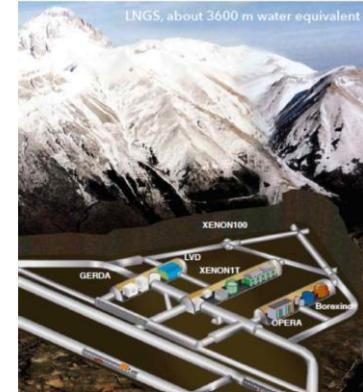
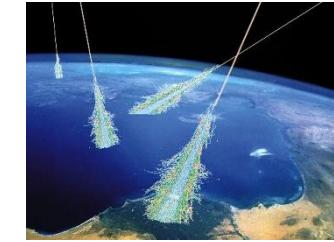
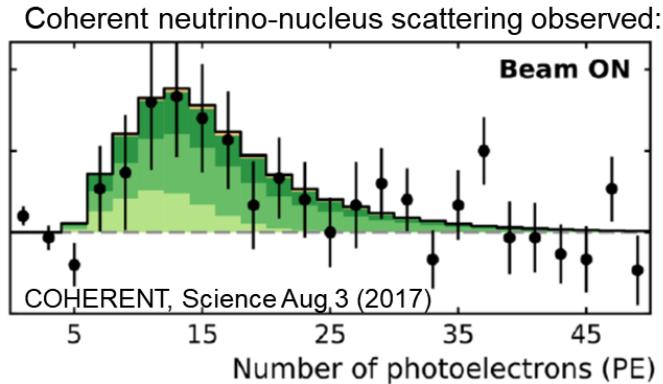
$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{\rho_0 M_{Det}}{2m_W m_{WN}^2} \sigma_{WN} \int_{vmin}^{vmax} \frac{f(v)}{v} dv^3$$

(depend on WIMP & Halo Model!)

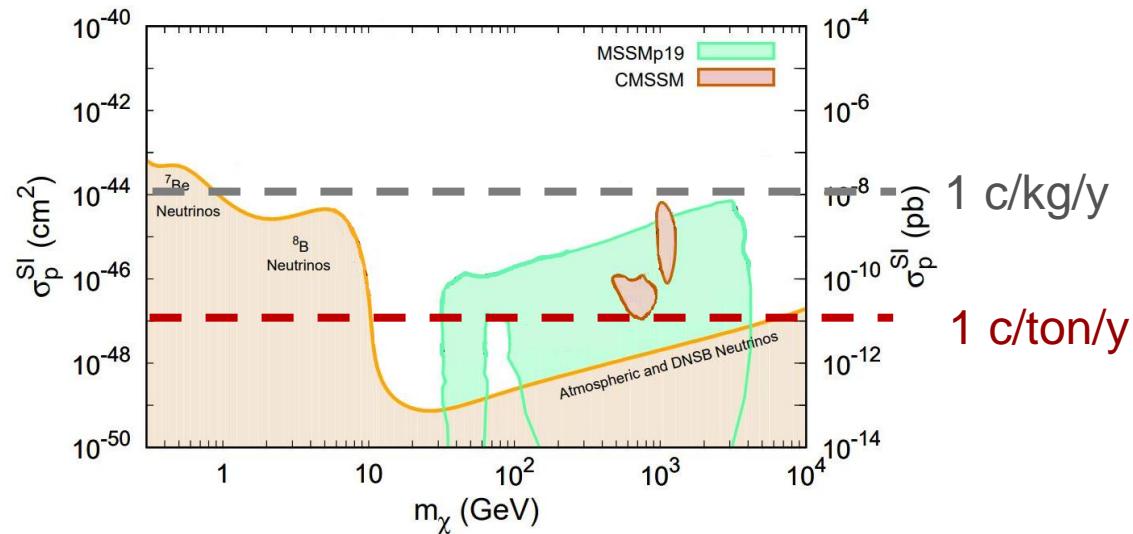


# Beating the background

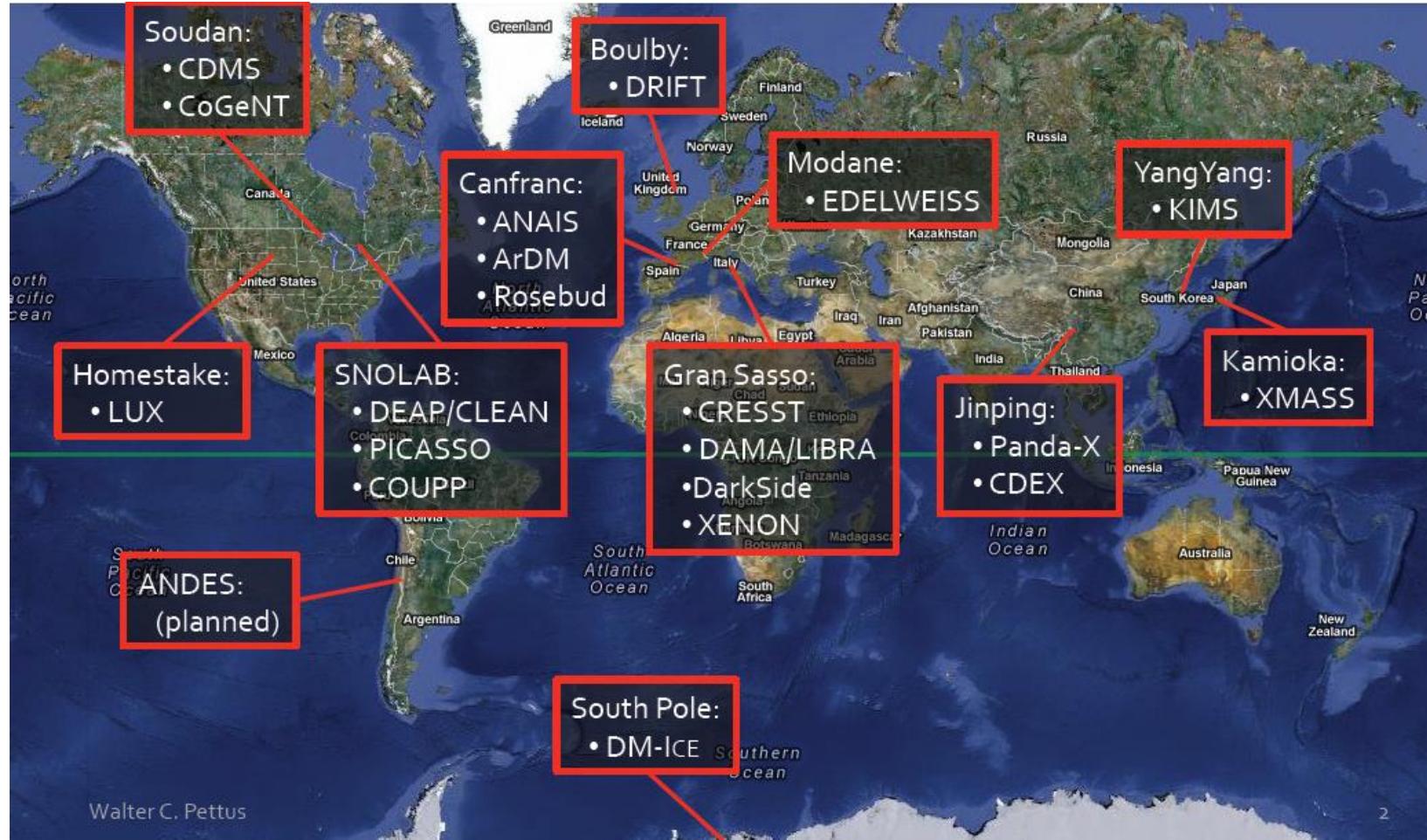
- Cosmic rays-induced muons, cosmogenic activation
- Natural radioactivity
  - Shieldings
  - Fiducialization
  - Particle discrimination
- Neutrinos!



Underground experiments



# Underground laboratories around the World



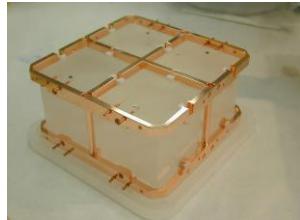
# The DM race

1990 - 2000

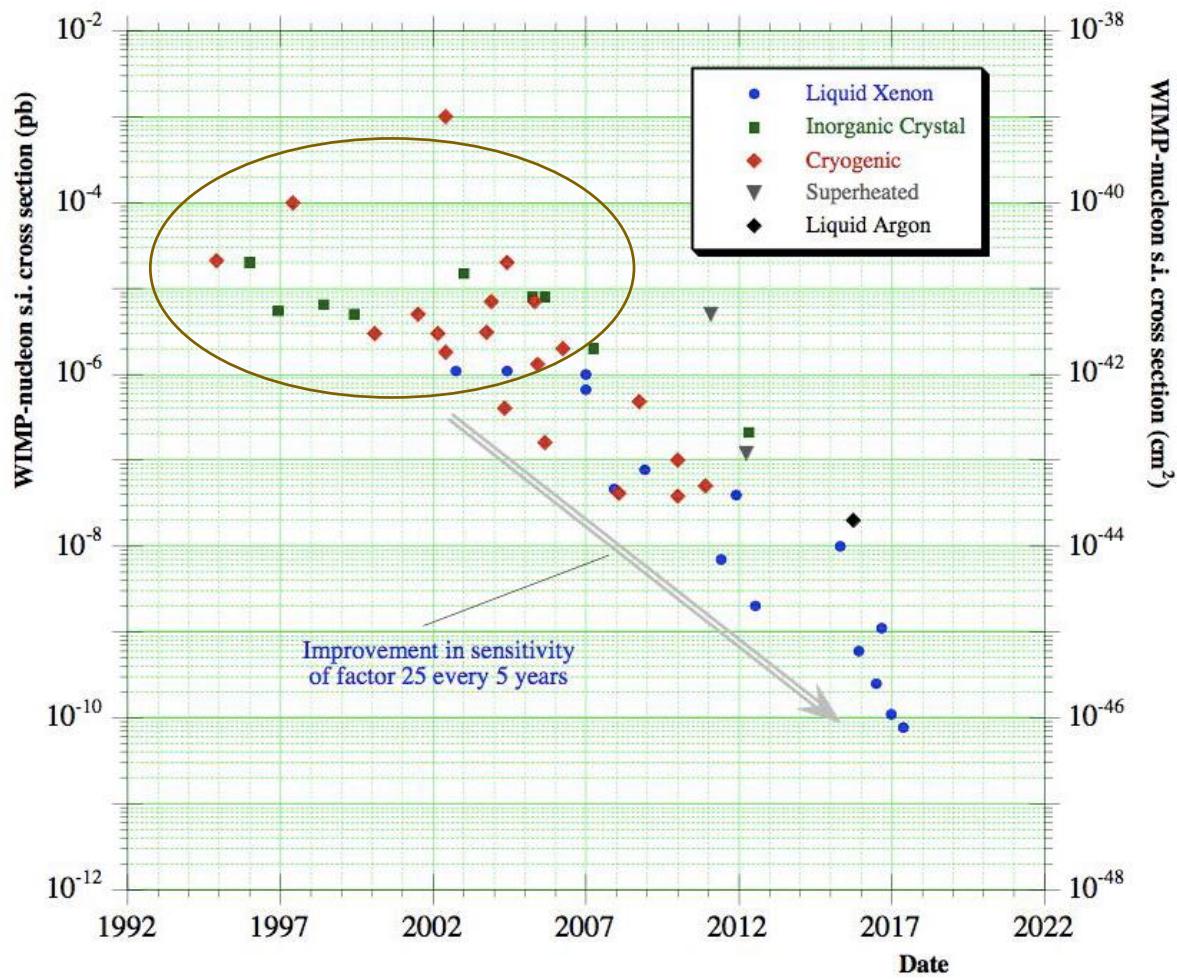
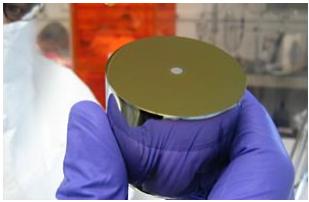
Scintillators



Cryogenic  
detectors



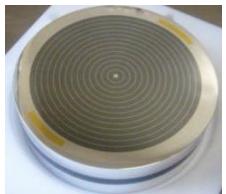
HPGe



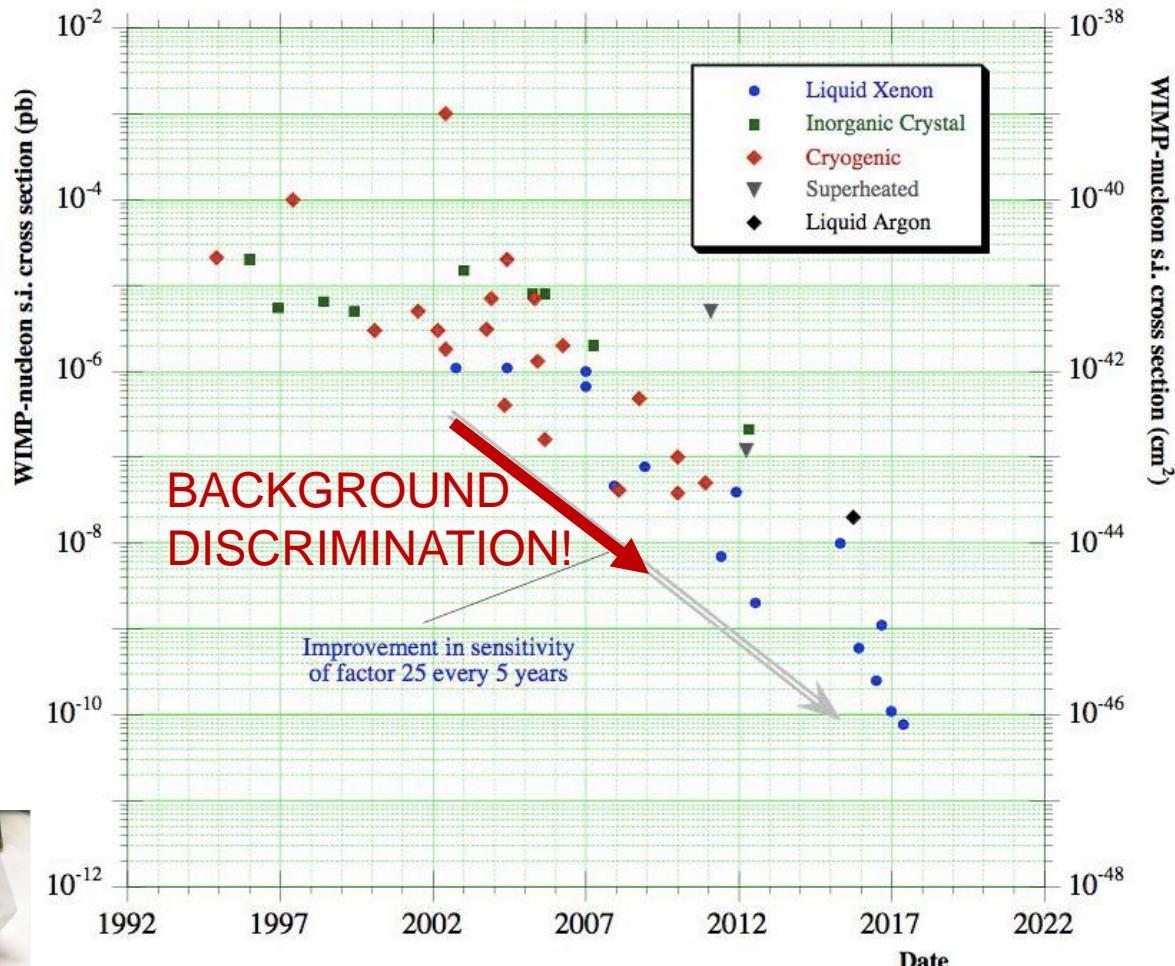
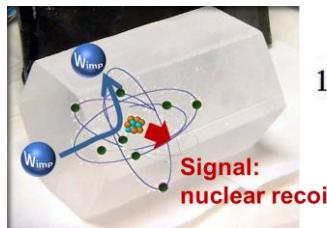
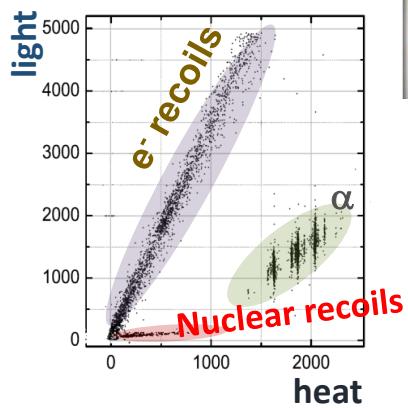
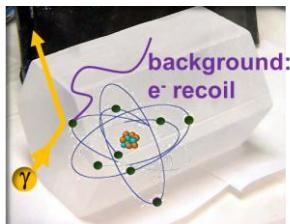
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2000 -

Double readout detectors!



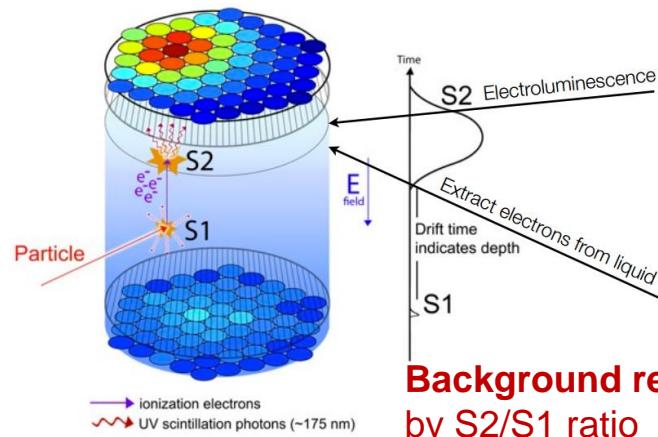
Heat/light



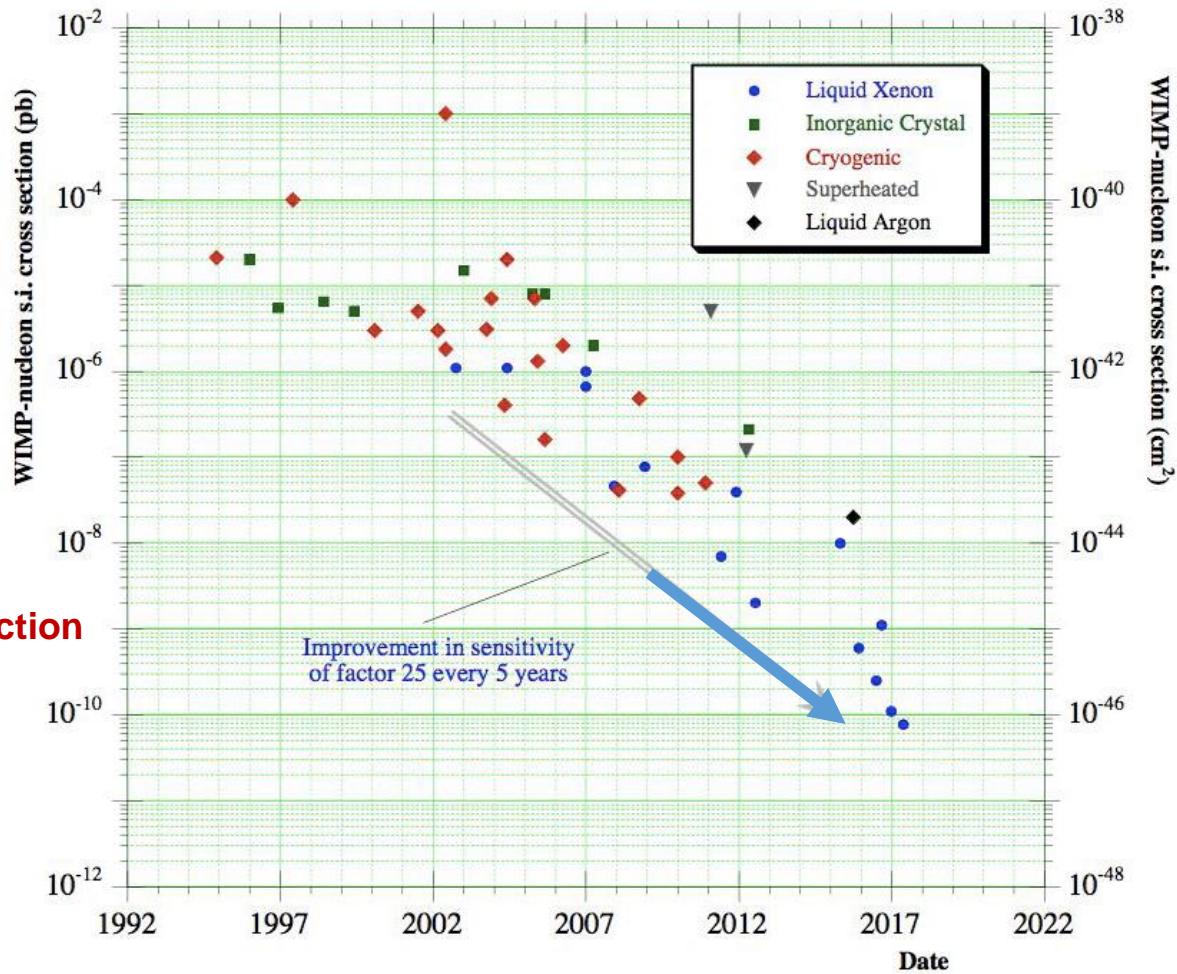
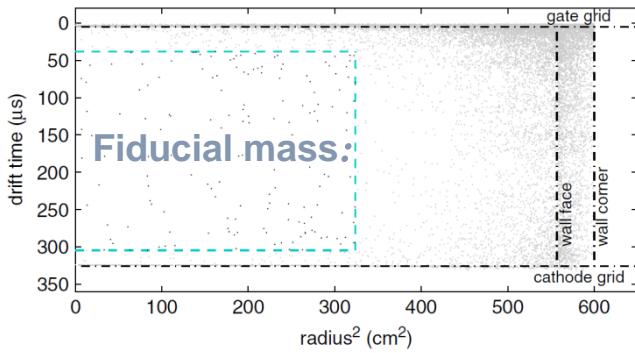
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2010 -

## Noble liquids TPCs (light & ionization)



Background rejection  
by S<sub>2</sub>/S<sub>1</sub> ratio

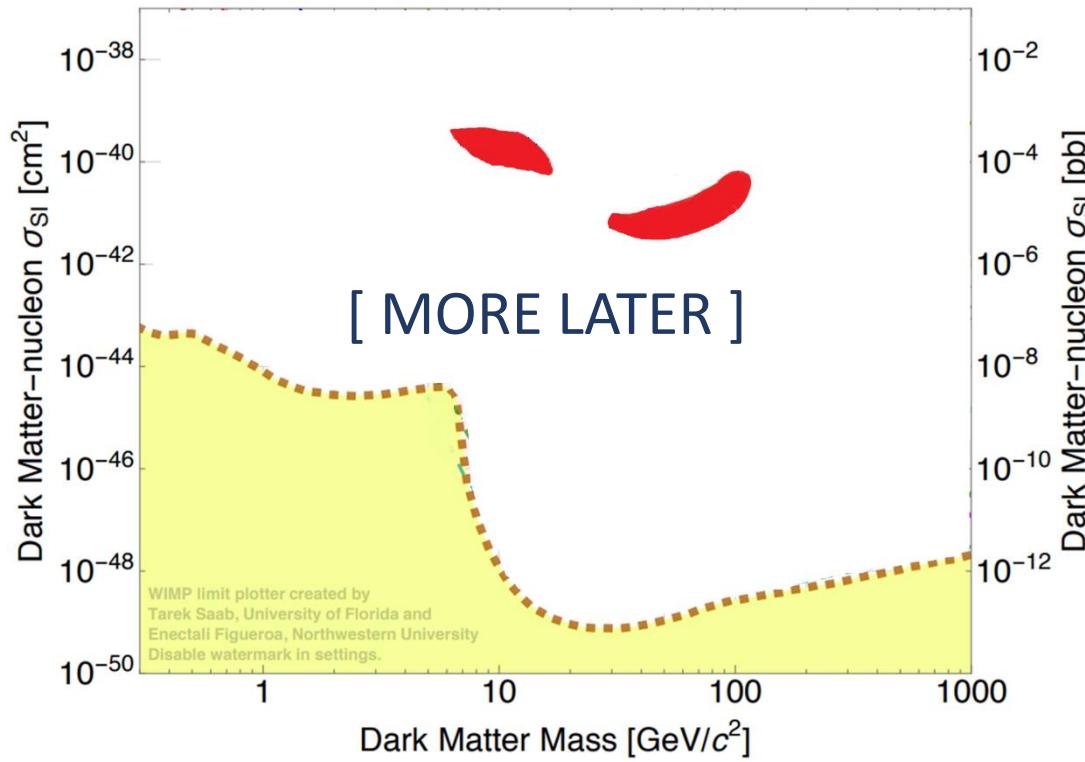


# Direct detection status @ 2018



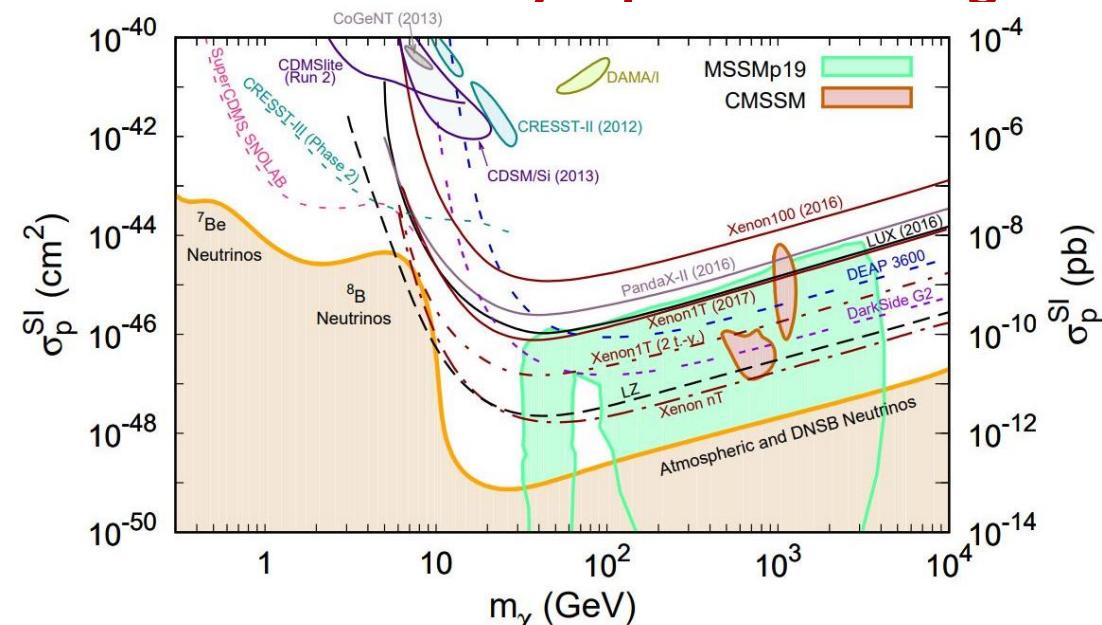
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- One positive signal:  
**DAMA/LIBRA** (NaI(Tl) scintillators)

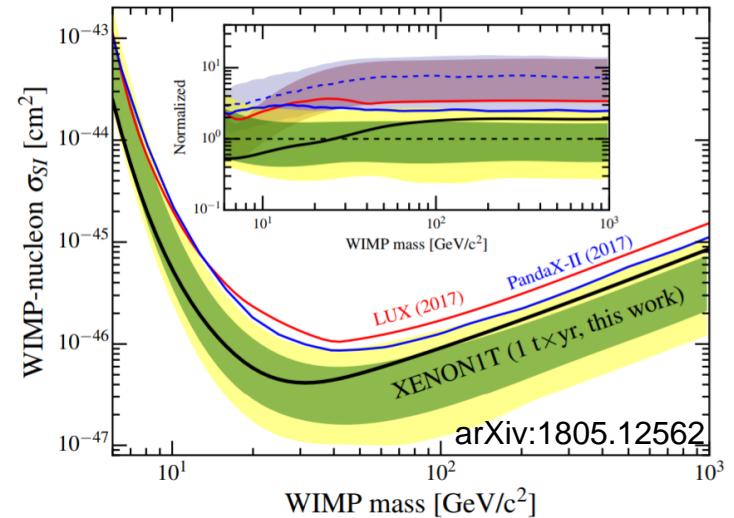


# Direct detection status @ 2018

- High mass region ( $>10$  GeV) Spin independent  
**Dominated by liquified noble gases (Xe/Ar)**



PRESENT  
BEST SENSITIVITY:



XMASS



DEAP-3600



XENON1T



LUX



DarkSide-50



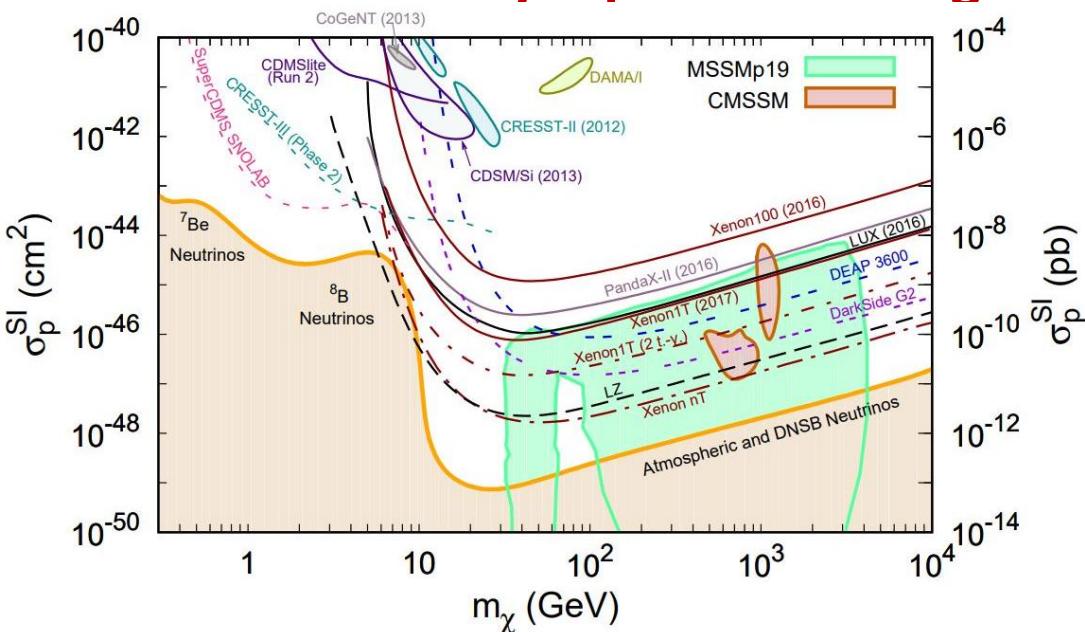
PandaX-II



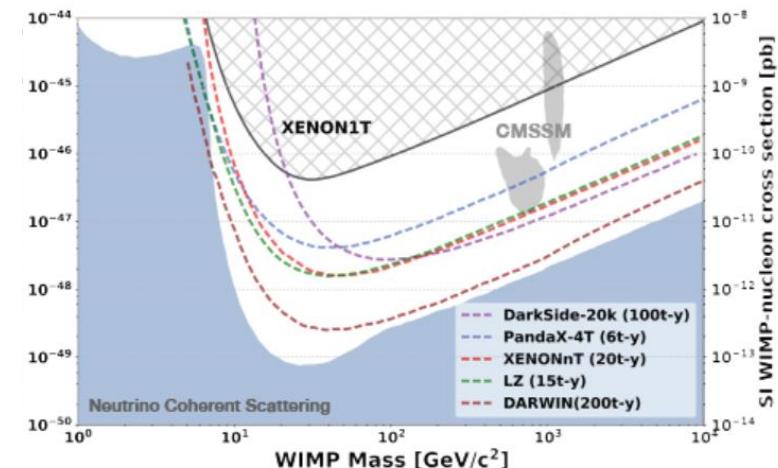
(from L.  
Baudis,  
SUSY18)

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PROJECTED  
SENSITIVITY IN 5-10 years:

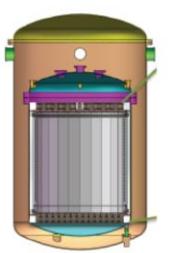


Planned  
experiments:

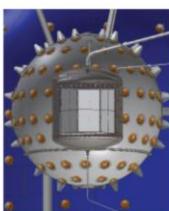
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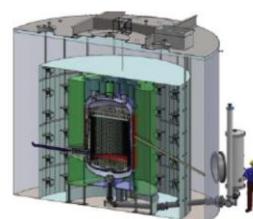
XENONnT: 8t LXe  
Data taking 2019



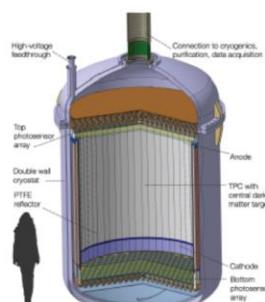
PandaX-4t LXe  
Data taking 2019



DarkSide: 20 t LAr  
Data taking 2021



LUX-ZEPLIN: 8 t LXe  
Data taking 2020



DARWIN: 50 t LXe  
Data taking ~2026

# Direct detection status @ 2018

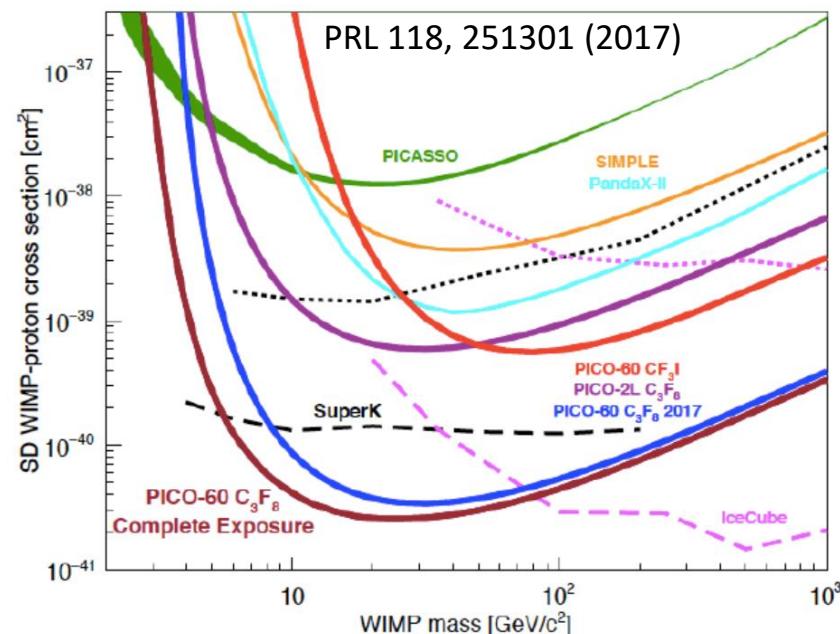
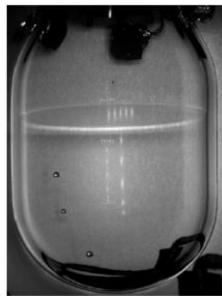
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## WIMP-proton

### Bubble chambers (PICO)

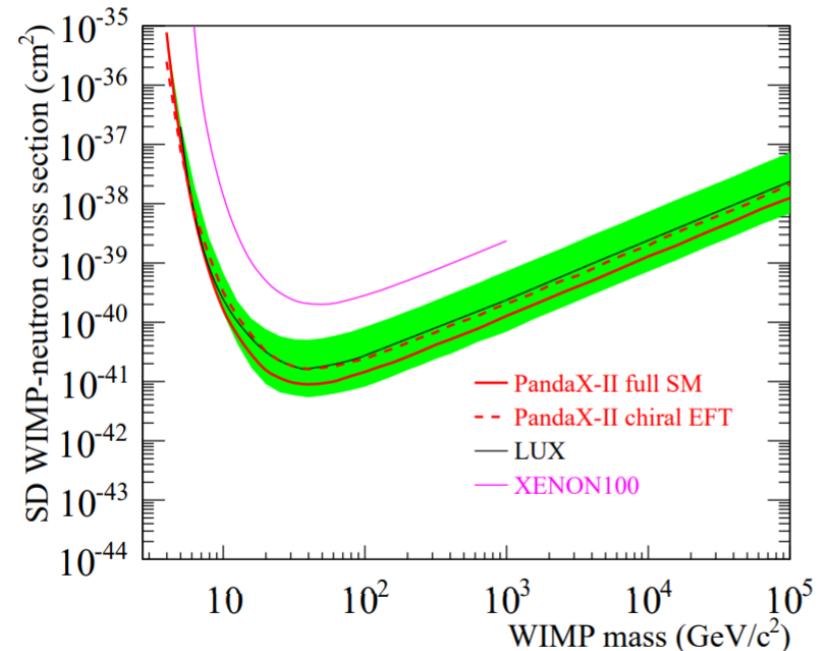
superheated

$\text{CF}_3\text{I}$ ,  $\text{C}_3\text{F}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$



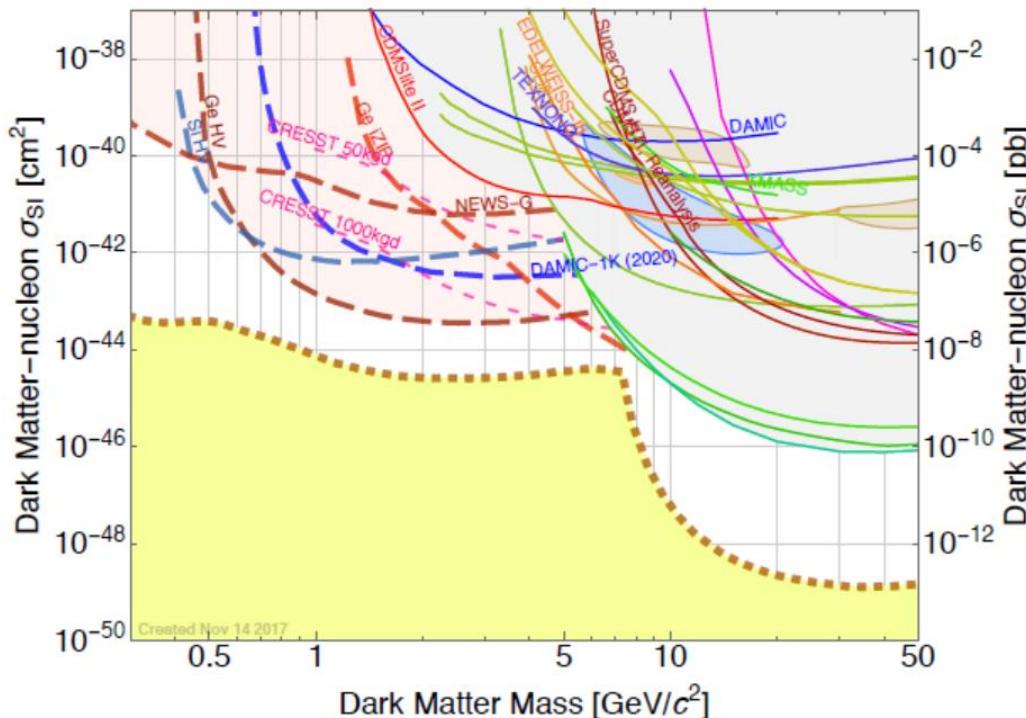
## WIMP-neutron

### Xe experiments



# Direct detection status @ 2018

- Low mass region ( $< 10$  GeV):
  - **Cryogenic experiments with sub-keV threshold**  
(CRESST, SuperCDMS, EDELWEISS)
  - **New ideas:** CCDs (DAMIC, SENSEI), TPCs (NEWS, TREX), graphene & carbon nanotubes, superconductors, superfluid He...

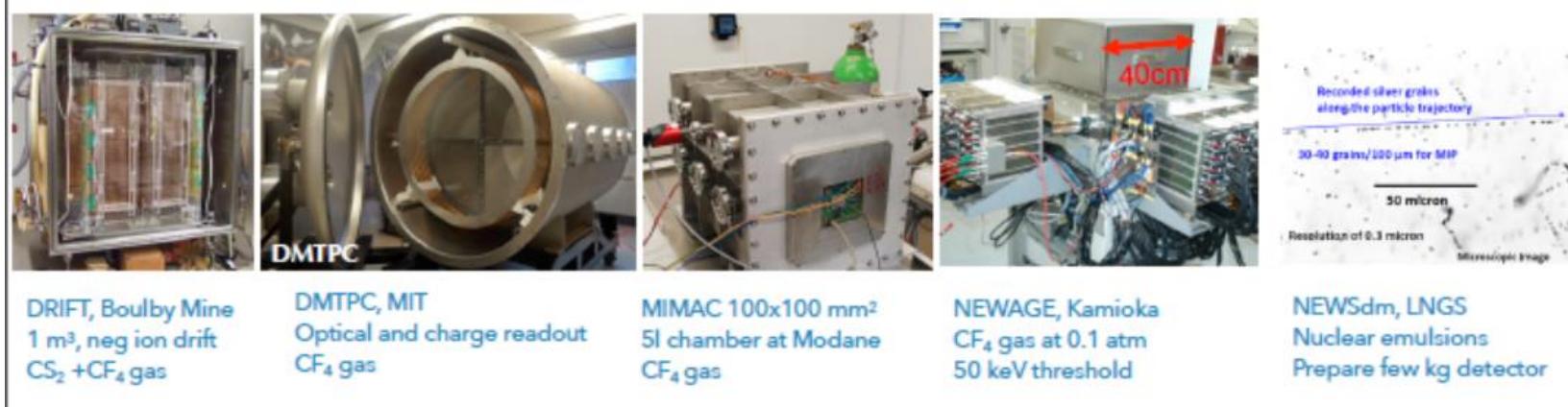
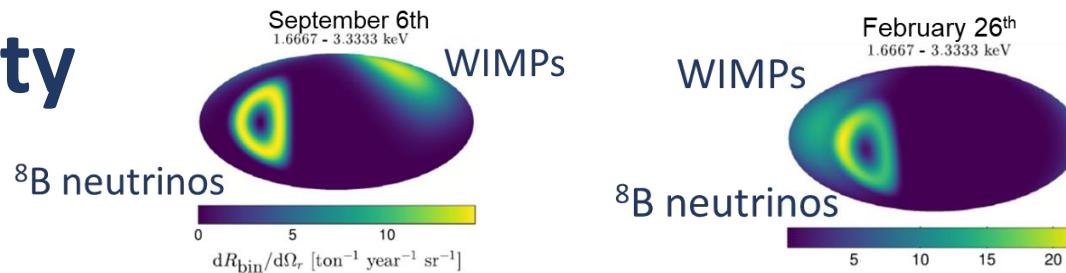


See K. Nikolopoulos talk on Sat 08

# Beyond neutrino floor

Phys. Rep. 627 (2016) 1

## Directionality



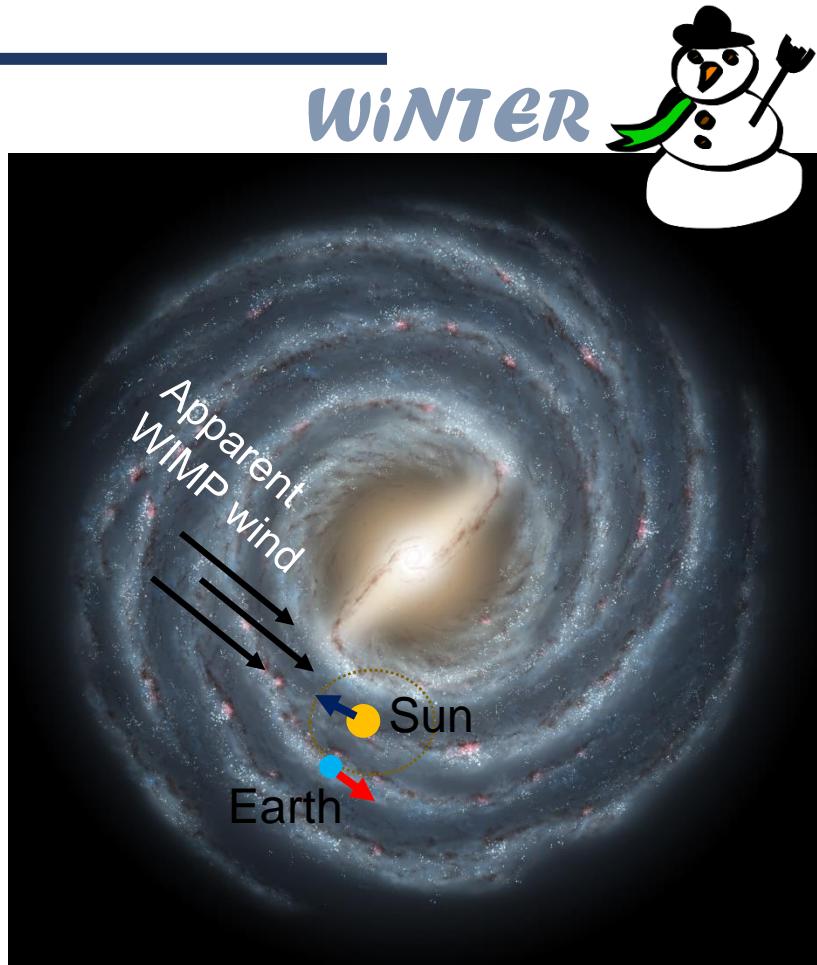
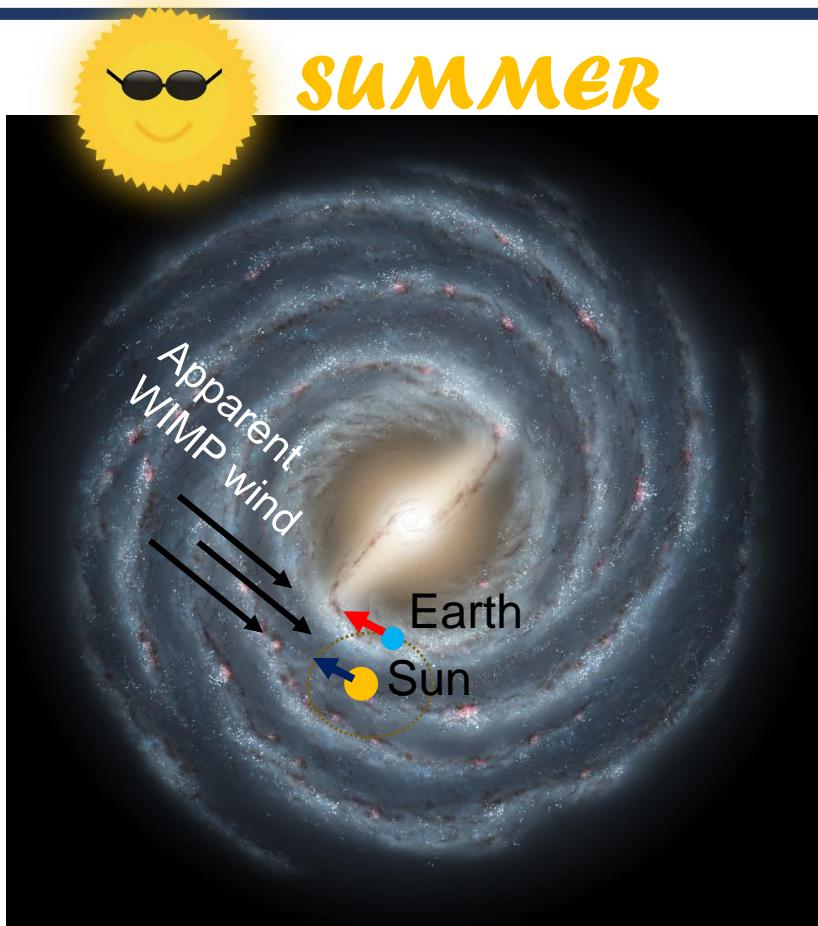
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Cygnus: coordination of R&D efforts for gas detectors, one common technology in 2019

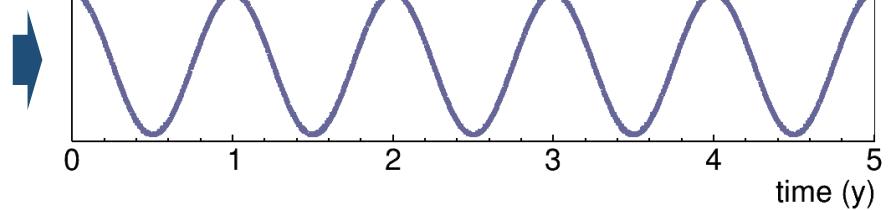
But also: annual modulation, complementarity among targets, energy dependence..

# Looking for a distinctive signal: Annual Modulation

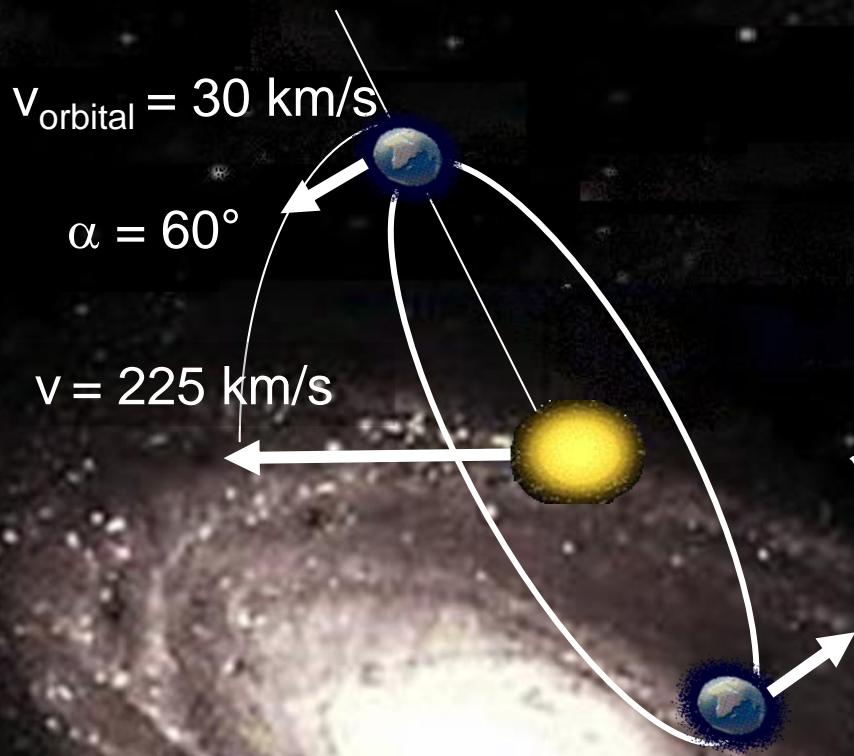
# Annual modulation



We expect a modulated rate  
with 1 year period

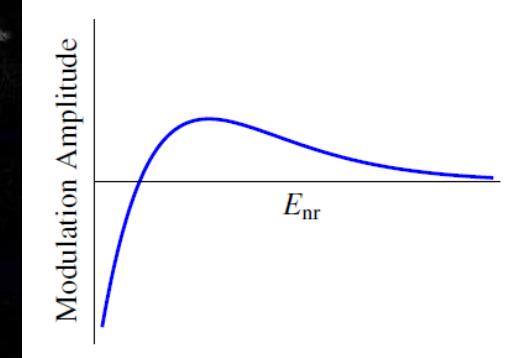
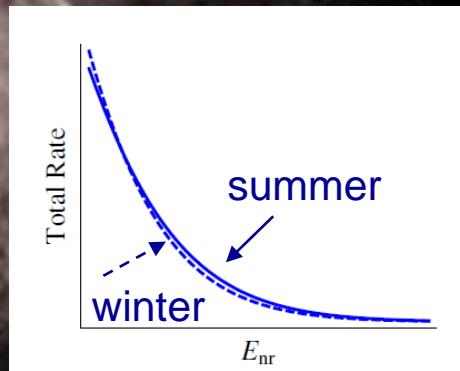


# Annual modulation: a distinctive signal

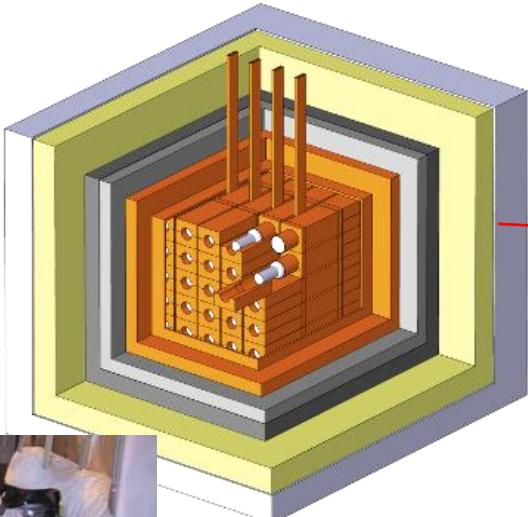


- ✓ Cosine behaviour
- ✓ 1 year period
- ✓ Maximum around June 2<sup>nd</sup>
- ✓ Weak effect (1-10%)
- ✓ Only noticeable at low energy
- ✓ Should have a phase reversal at low E

→ Very hard to mimic by bkg!!



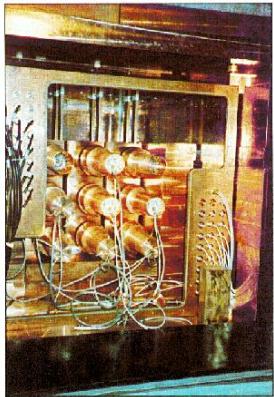
# DAMA/LIBRA @ LNGS



- 20 ultrapure NaI(Tl) scintillating crystals (250 kg total mass) in a 5x5 matrix
- Each crystal coupled to two PMT for light readout
- First setup (DAMA/Nal, 115 kg) started in ~1995
- Exposure so far: 2.17 ton  $\times$  y (!!)

# DAMA/Nal & DAMA/LIBRA (phase 1)

## DAMA / Nal (1995-2002)

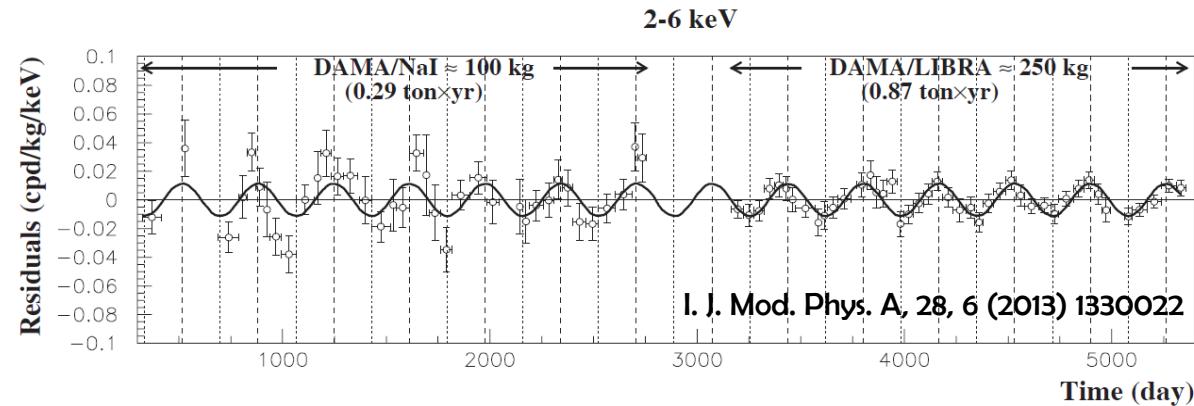
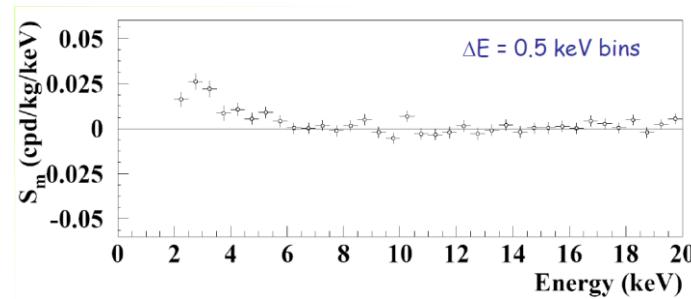


- $10 \times 9.7 \text{ kg NaI(Tl)}$   
(3x3 matrix)
- 7 annual cycles
- Exposure :  $0.29 \text{ ton} \times \text{y}$

## DAMA / LIBRA (2003-2010)



- $25 \times 9.7 \text{ kg NaI(Tl)}$   
(5x5 matrix)
- 7 annual cycles
- Exposure :  $1.17 \text{ ton} \times \text{y}$

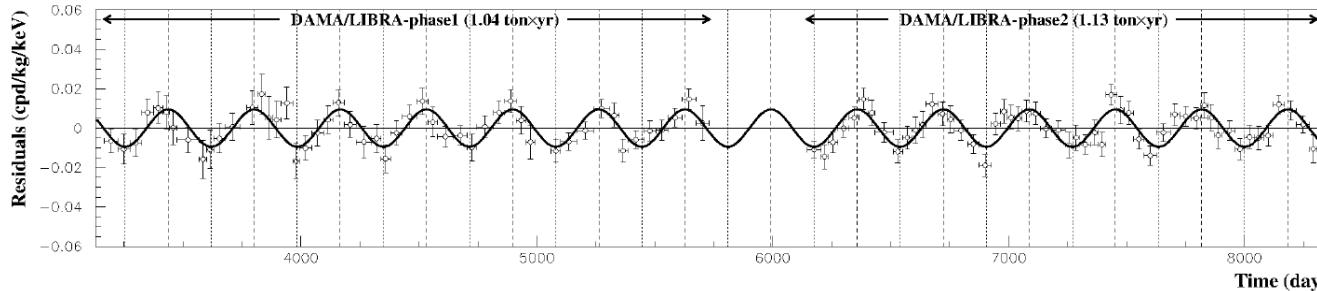
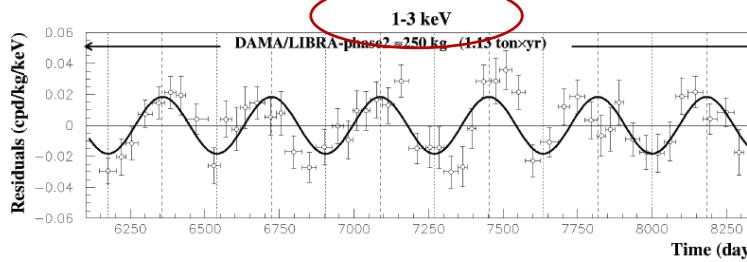
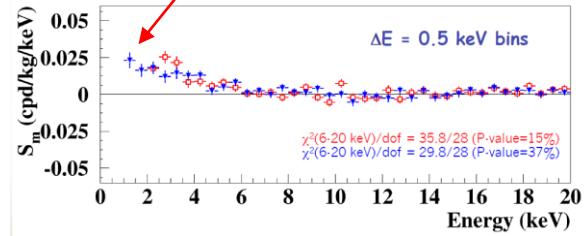
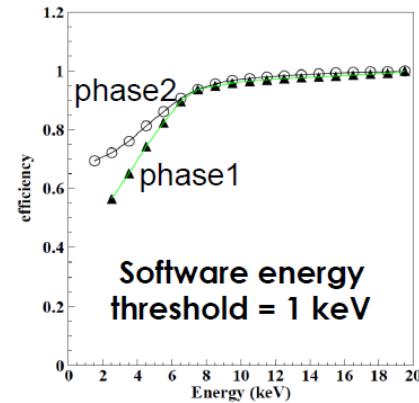


Solid line:  $\cos\omega(t - t_0)$ , with period 1 year and phase on June 2<sup>nd</sup>

# DAMA/LIBRA phase2 (2011-2018)



all PMTs replaced with new ones of higher Q.E.

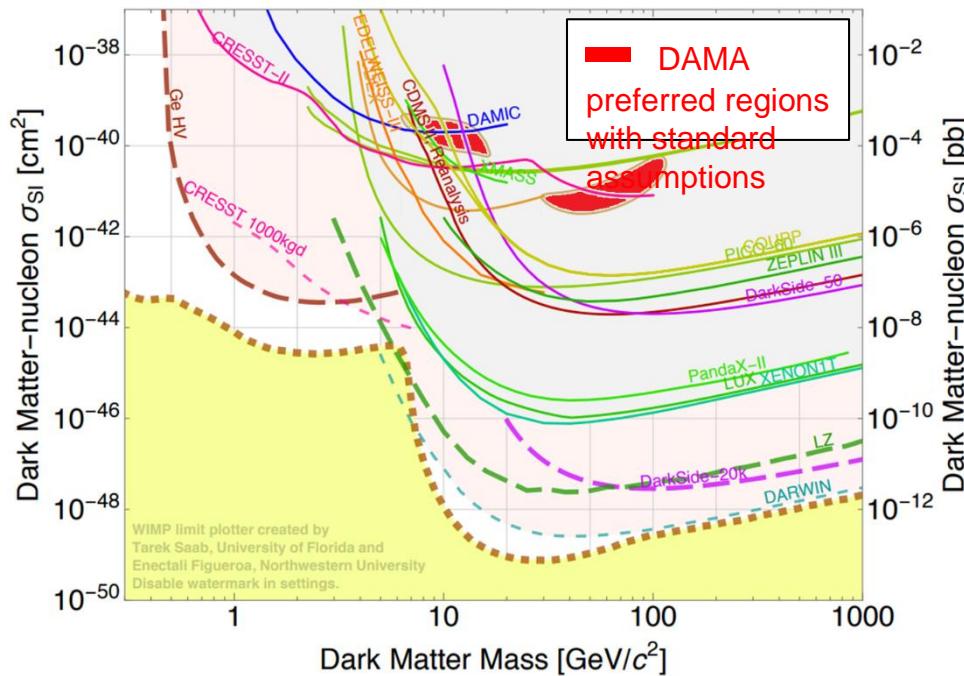


arXiv:1805.10486

- 6 annual cycles
- Exposure:  $1.13 \text{ ton} \times \text{yr}$

The data of DAMA/LIBRA phase1+phase2 favor the presence of a modulation with proper features at  $11.9\sigma \text{ CL}$  ( $2.17 \text{ ton} \times \text{yr}$ )

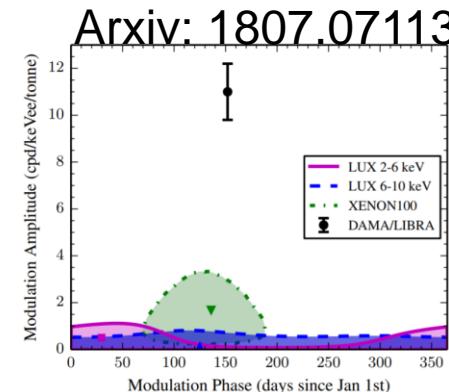
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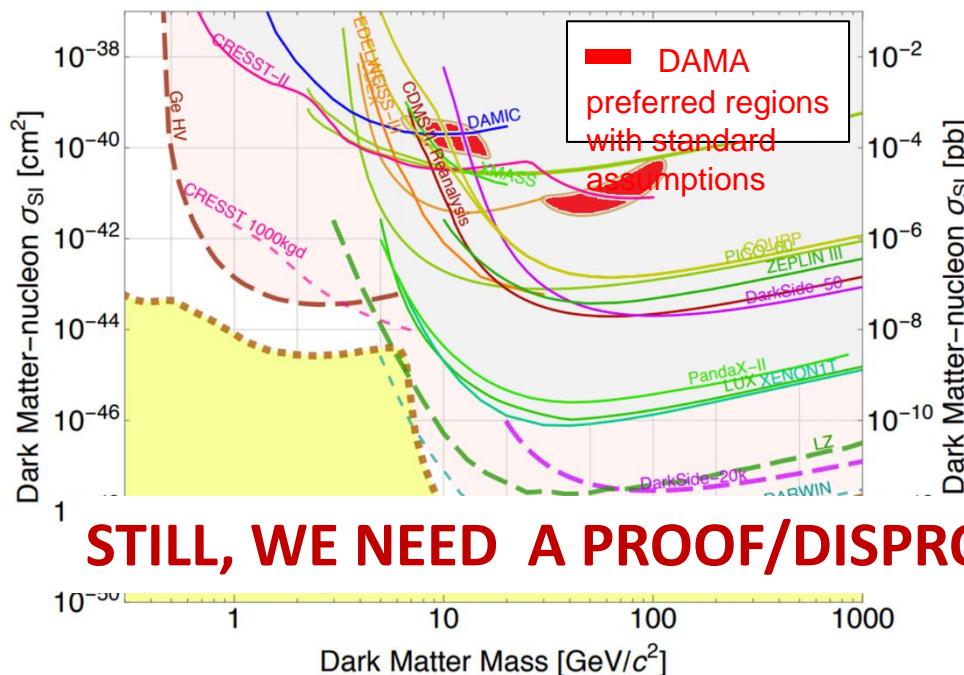
Strong tension even assuming more general halo/interaction models!

+ No annual modulation signal in some experiments (when bkg discrimination is turned off)

- LUX: arXiv:1807.07113
- XMASS : arXiv:1801.10096
- XENON100 : PRL118, 101101 (2017)
- CDMS-II: arXiv:1203.1309



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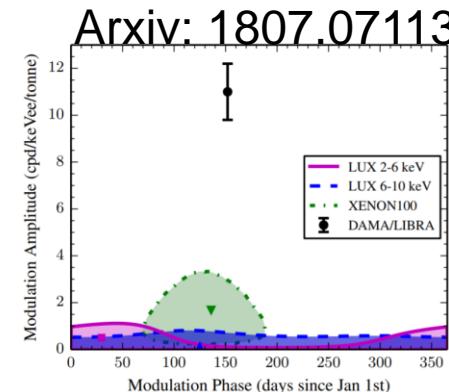


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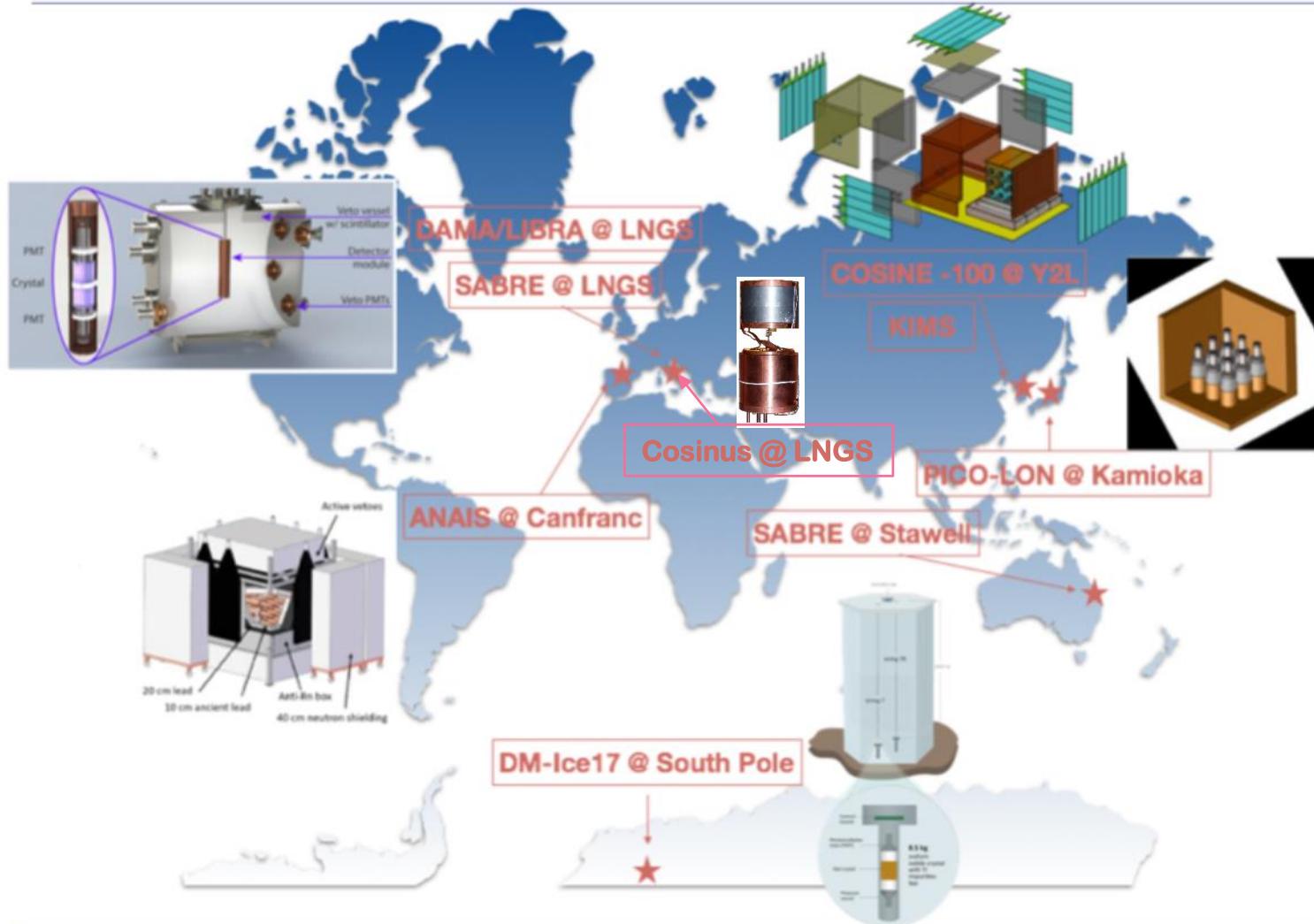
**STILL, WE NEED A PROOF/DISPROOF WITH THE SAME TARGET**

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# Nal experiments around the World



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In data-taking

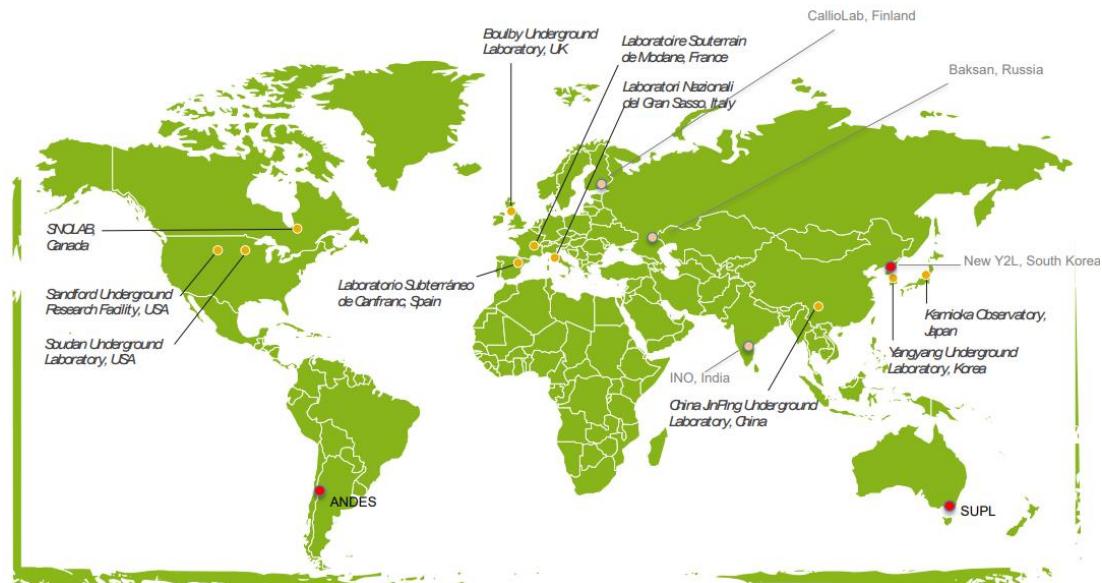


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# Go south

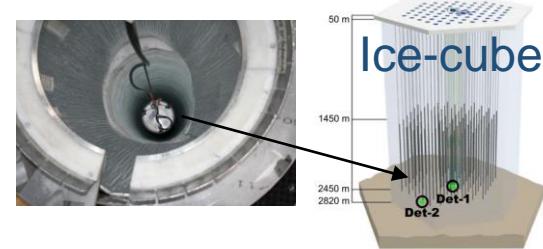
Same WIMP signal, but different seasonal-related backgrounds

But only two (not yet ready) underground labs in the southern hemisphere!!



- ANDES (Chile/Argentina)  
ready by 2027
- SUPL (Australia)  
should be ready soon → Second phase  
of SABRE experiment
- DM-ICE (south pole)  
NaI crystals in Ice-cube (but many  
technical problems!)

Borrowed from Aldo Ianni @ TAUP 2017



# ANALIS-112



**MultiDark**  
Multimessenger Approach  
for Dark Matter Detection



 **LSC**  
Laboratorio Subterráneo de Canfranc



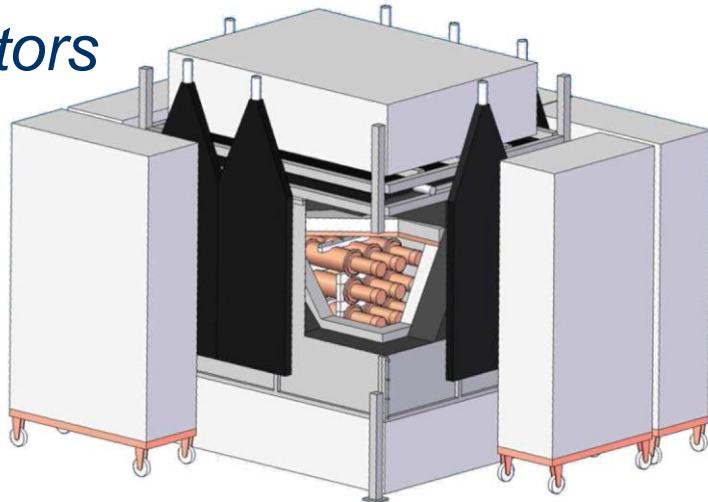
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# The ANALIS program

## Annual modulation with Nal Scintillators

GOAL: confirm the **DAMA/LIBRA** modulation signal using the **same target and technique** in a different environment at the **Canfranc Underground Laboratory** (LSC, Spain)



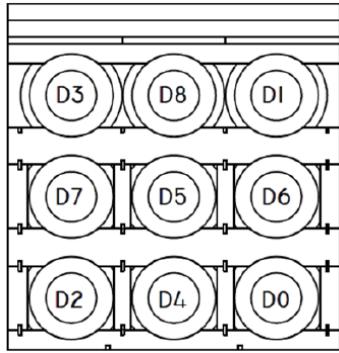
## ANALIS-112

- 112 kg Nal(Tl) scintillators
- Commissioning in March-April 2017
- Calibration and general assessment from April to July 2017
- Dark matter run is underway since **3<sup>rd</sup>, August 2017: first year of data taking successfully completed**

# ANALIS-112: Detectors



Housing made at LSC of  
electroformed copper

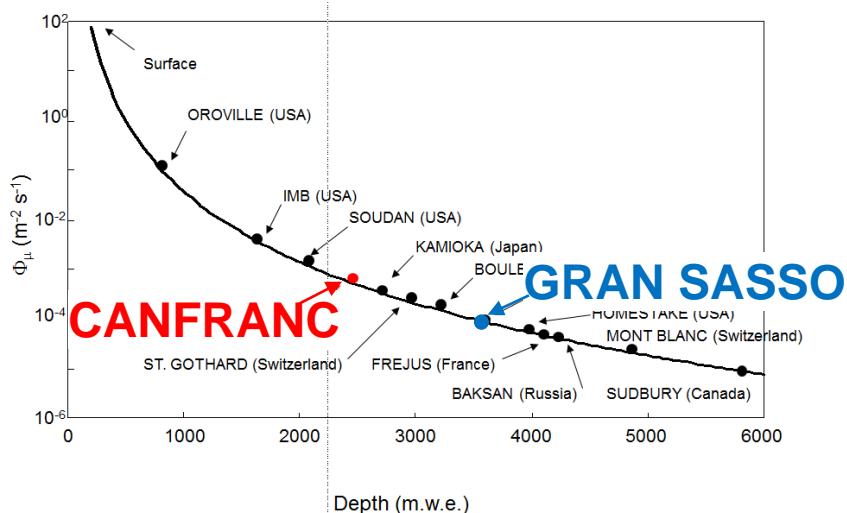
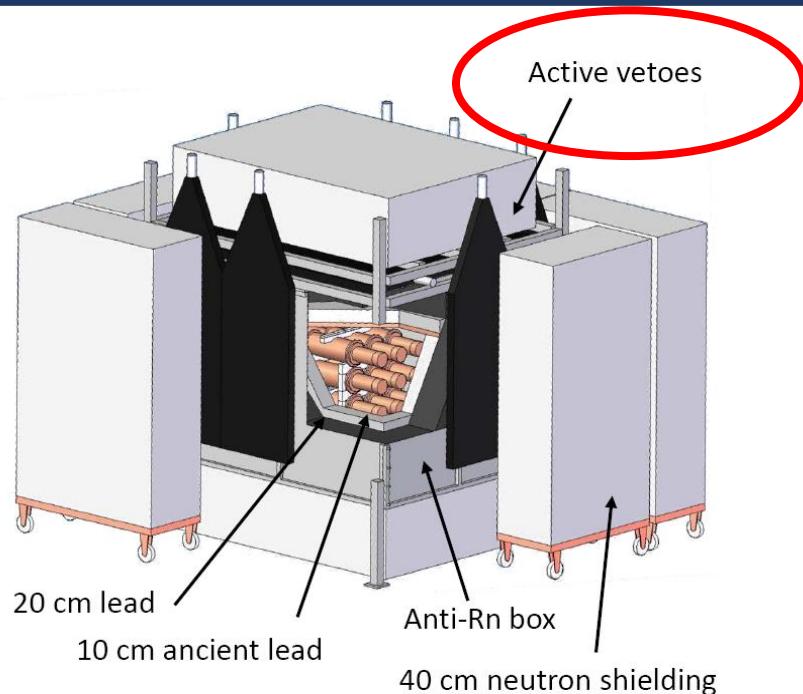


• **9 NaI(Tl) crystals** 12.3 kg each grown from selected ultrapure NaI powder (Alpha Spectra Inc)

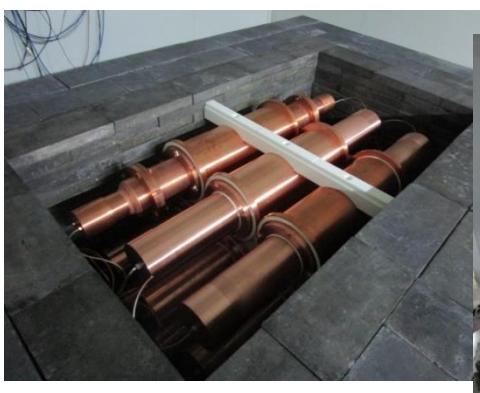
- Housed in OFE copper
- Two Hamamatsu R12669SEL2 PMT
  - coupled to each crystal at LSC clean room
  - low background
  - high QE (~40%)

Detector	Quality powder	Received at LSC:
D0, D1	<90 ppb K	December 2012
D2	WIMPScint-II	March 2015
D3	WIMPScint-III	March 2016
D4, D5	WIMPScint-III	November 2016
D6, D7, D8	WIMPScint-III	March 2017

# ANALIS-112: Shielding



**Flujo  $\mu$  @ Canfranc  
= 10× Flujo  $\mu$  @ Gran Sasso**



Anti-Rn box



16 plastic scintillators



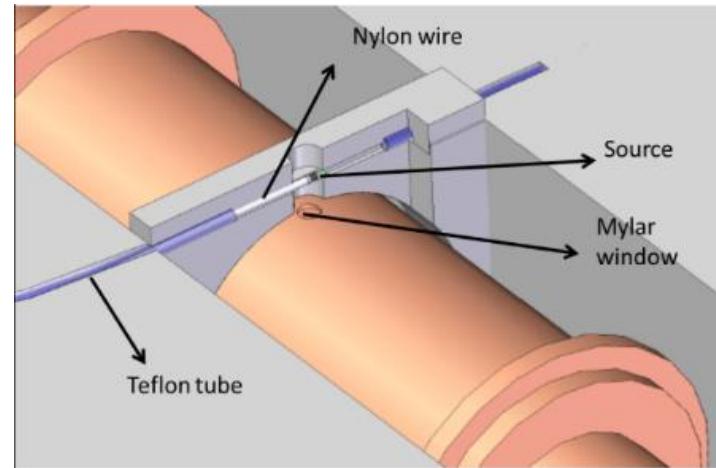
# ANALIS-112: Low energy calibration



Detectors equipped with a **Mylar window!**

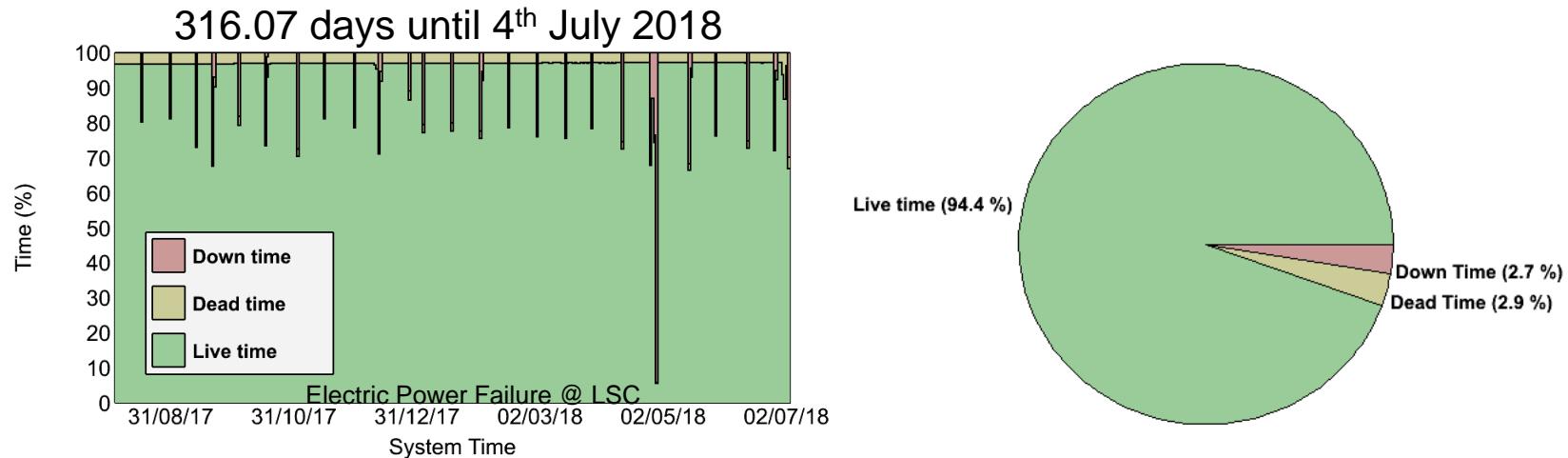
Radon-free system for low energy calibration:

- **$^{109}\text{Cd}$  sources** on flexible wires (radon-free)
- Energies: 11.9, 22.6 and 88.0 keV
- Simultaneous calibration of the nine modules
- Performed every two weeks

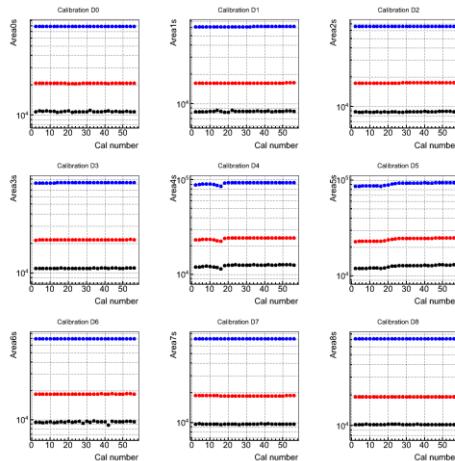


# Detector Response: duty cycle & stability

- Excellent **duty cycle**



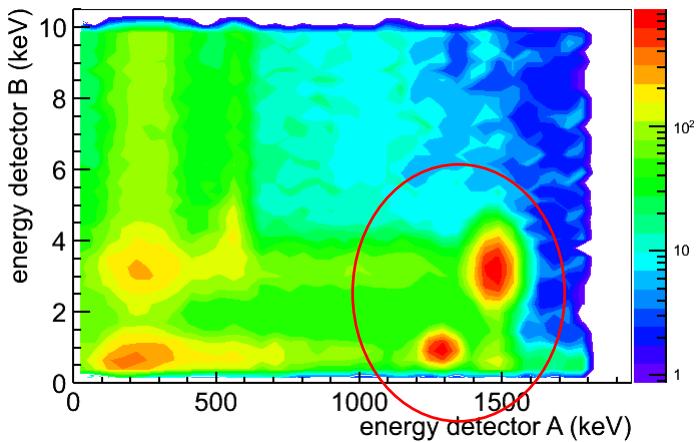
- Good **total rate and gain stability**



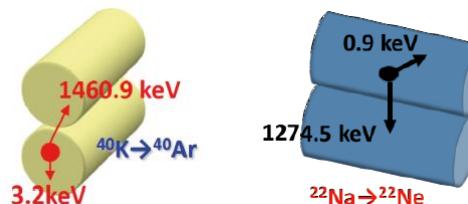
Evolution of  $^{109}\text{Cd}$  lines from calibrations along the whole data-taking ( $\sim 1$  year)

# Detector response: threshold

- Effectively triggering below 1 keV<sub>ee</sub>



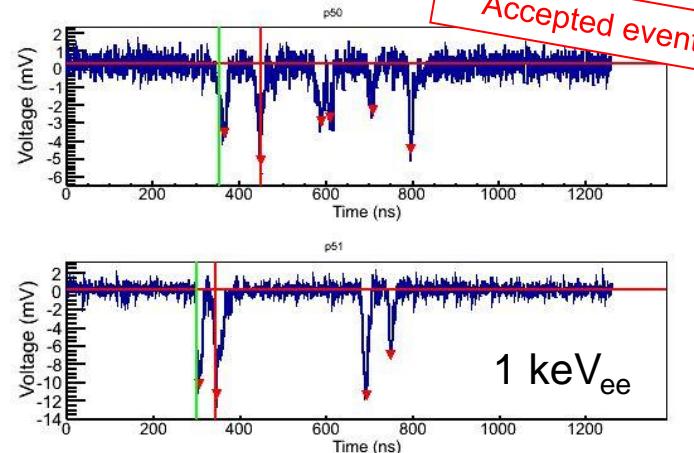
bulk  $^{22}\text{Na}$  and  $^{40}\text{K}$  events identified by coincidences with high energy gammas



- Energy threshold limited by PMT noise filtering protocols efficiency

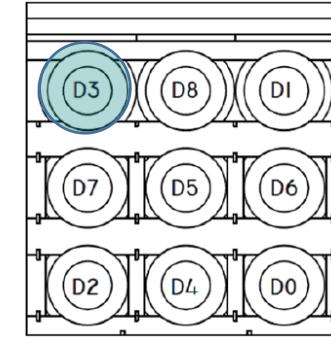
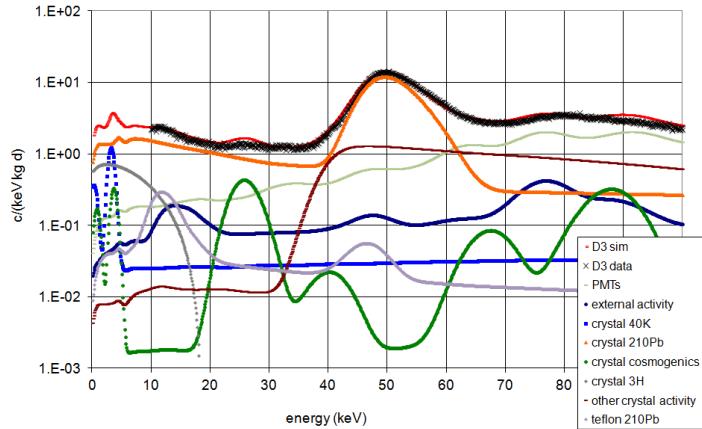
- Multiparametric cuts to properly select events with pulse shapes from NaI(Tl) scintillation (efficiency computed on  $^{109}\text{Cd}$  calibration and  $^{22}\text{Na}$  and  $^{40}\text{K}$  coincidence populations)

Improved algorithm for peak identification, detecting  $\sim 75\%$  of the phe



# Background model

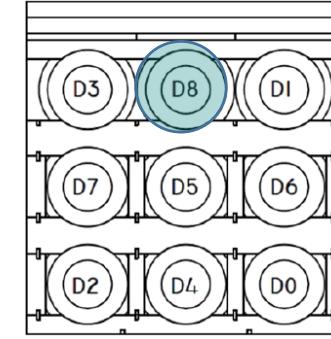
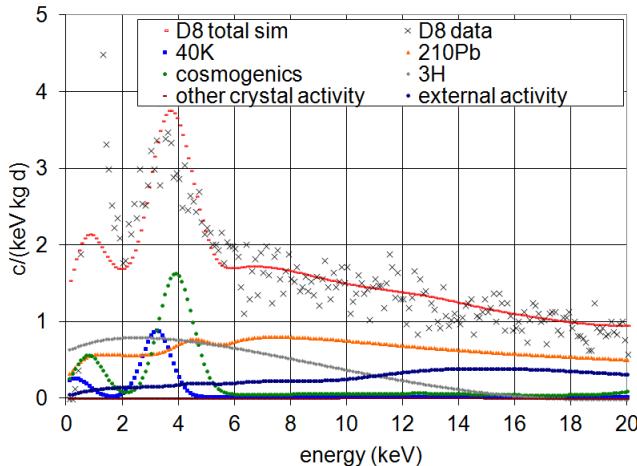
Comparison for low energy (<100 keV) (3 August 2017 to 30 March 2018)



Comparison for very low energy (<20 keV) (Commissioning run, June-July 2017)

Most significant contributions:

- **$^{40}\text{K}$**  and  **$^{22}\text{Na}$**  peaks
- **$^{210}\text{Pb}$**  (bulk+surface)
- **$^3\text{H}$**

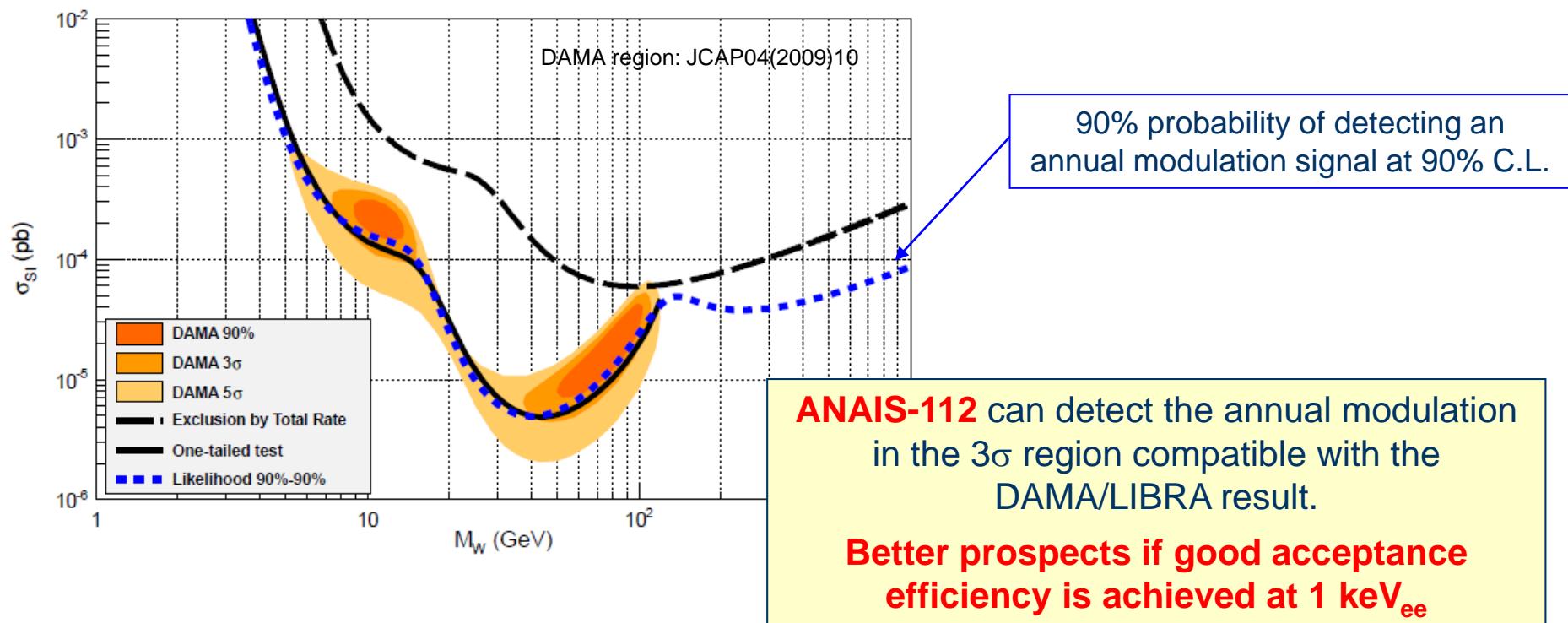


# ANALIS-112 annual Modulation sensitiviy

Detection limit at 90% C.L. for a critical limit at 90% C.L. for ANALIS-112

- Conservative estimate of **background** from measured, efficiency corrected levels
- 2-6 keV<sub>ee</sub> region
- 5 years

Dark matter hypothesis



I. Coarasa et al, arXiv:1704.06861v1

# OUTLOOK

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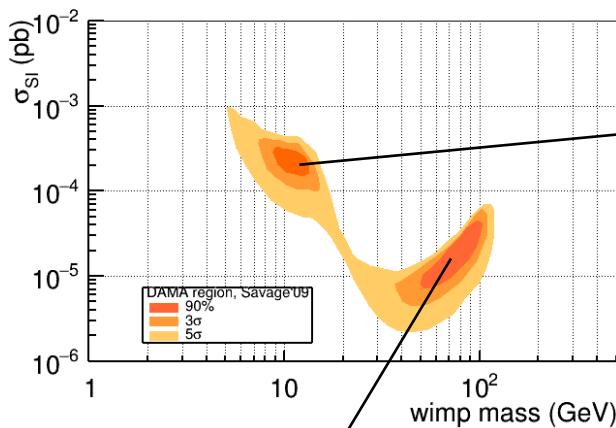
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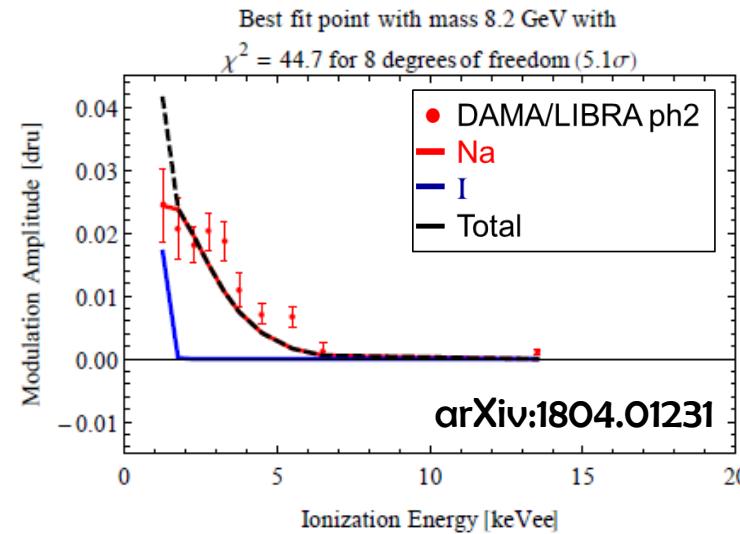
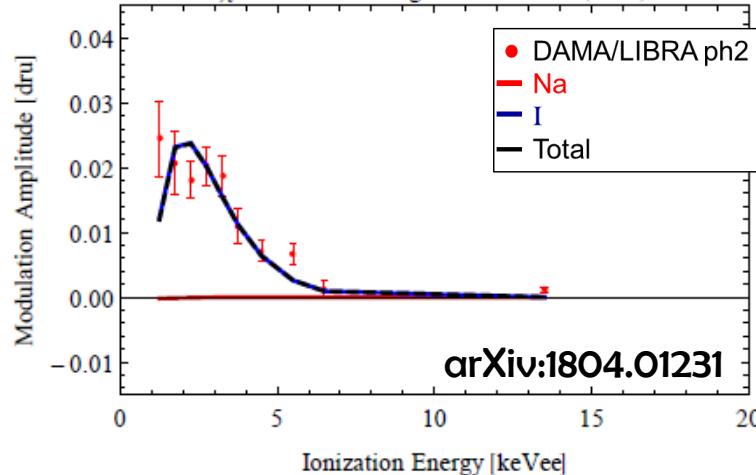
# Spare

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# Interpretation of the 1 keV point



Best fit point with mass 52.6 GeV with  
 $\chi^2 = 25.6$  for 8 degrees of freedom ( $3.2\sigma$ )



The point @ 1 keV is hard to explain with standard models:

“the observed annual modulation signal is no longer well fitted by canonical (isospin conserving) spin-independent WIMP nucleon couplings”

# New ideas for ultra-light DM

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## Superconductors

- material with zero electrical resistance below a critical temperature
- DM interaction breaks cooper pairs, which releases energy
- sensitive to  $\sim$ meV energy depositions

## optical phonons

- DM interacts with optical phonons through dipole moment
- sensitive to  $\sim$  30-100 meV energy depositions
- optical phonons exist in polar materials, i.e. GaAs, sapphire

## superfluid helium

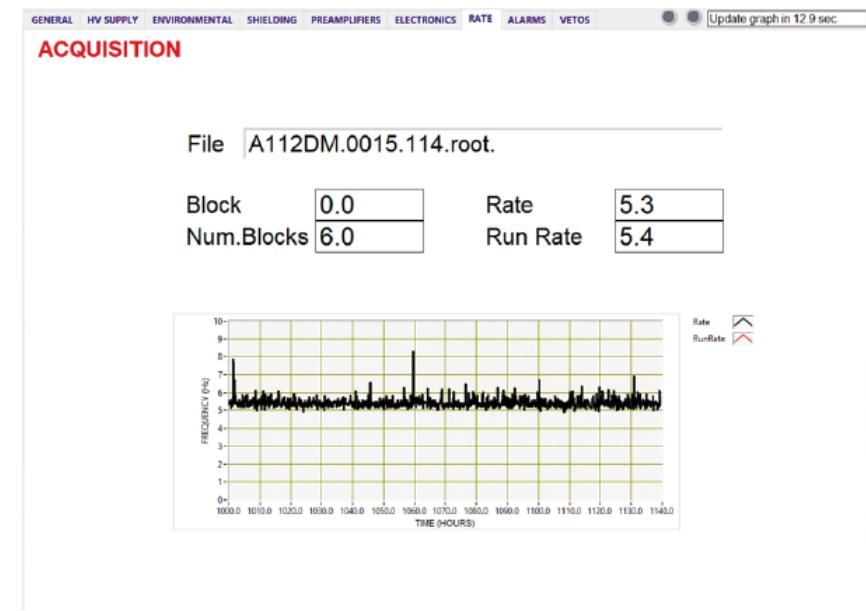
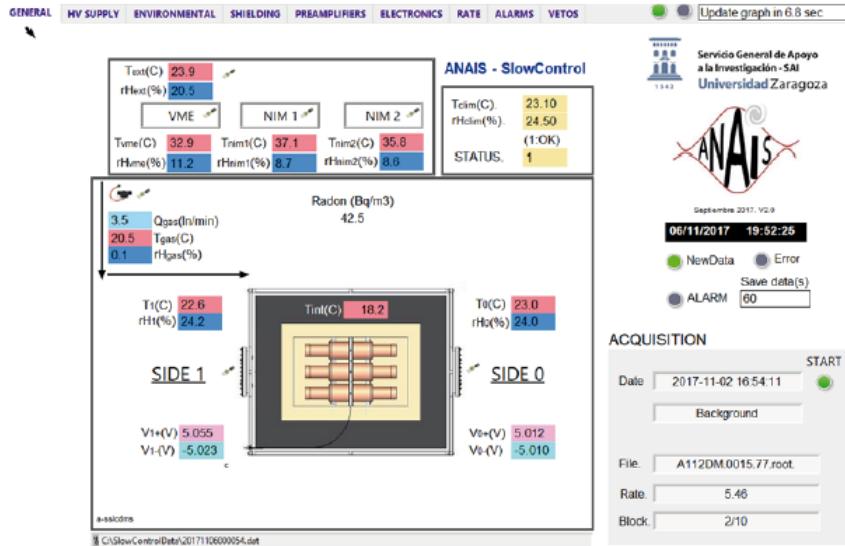
- DM couples to collective quasiparticle modes (phonons, rotons..)
- sensitive to meV-eV energy depositions

## Graphene and carbon nanotubes

- Work function 4.3 eV = minimum energy to eject an electron
- has directional sensitivity!

# ANALIS-112: Slow control

- Monitoring **environmental parameters** since the start of DM run
  - Monitoring:  
Rn content, humidity, pressure, different temperatures, N<sub>2</sub> flux, PMT HV, muon rate, ...  
Data saved every few minutes and alarm messages implemented
  - Stability checks:  
gain, trigger rate, ...



# Detector response: light collection

- Outstanding **light collection** of  $\sim 15$  phe/keV
  - all modules
  - at different set-ups
  - checked to be stable over time

Detector	PMT/set-up	Total Light Collection (phe/keV)
D0	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.6 \pm 0.1$
D1	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.8 \pm 0.1$
D2	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.6 \pm 0.1$
D3	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.5 \pm 0.1$
D4	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.5 \pm 0.1$
D5	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.5 \pm 0.1$
D6	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$12.7 \pm 0.1$
D7	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$14.8 \pm 0.1$
D8	Ham R12669 / ANAIS112	$16.0 \pm 0.1$

M.A. Oliván et al, Astropart. Phys. 93 (2017) 86

Larger and more homogeneous than the reported light collection for DAMA/LIBRA detectors:

Phase 1: **5.5-7.5 phe/keV**

Phase 2: **6-10 phe/keV**

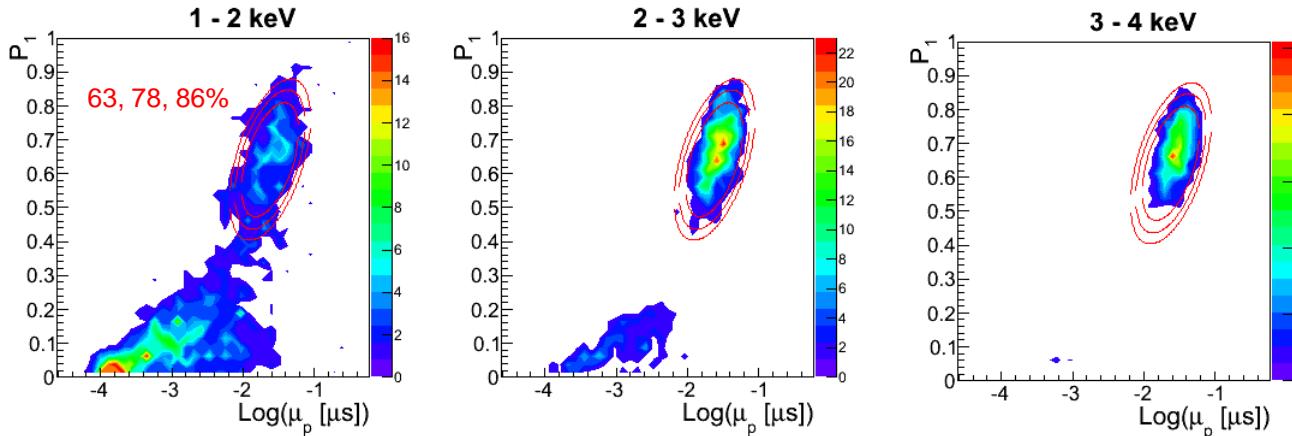
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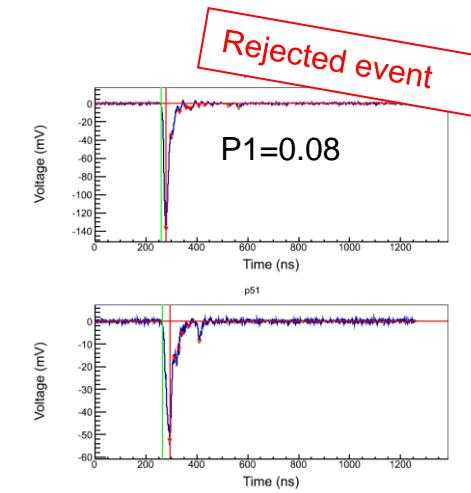
## 1.- Biparametric cut to properly select events with pulse shapes from NaI(Tl) scintillation

$$P_1 = \frac{\int_{100\text{ ns}}^{600\text{ ns}} A(t)dt}{\int_0^{600\text{ ns}} A(t)dt}$$

$$\mu_p = \frac{\sum A_p t_p}{\sum A_p}$$



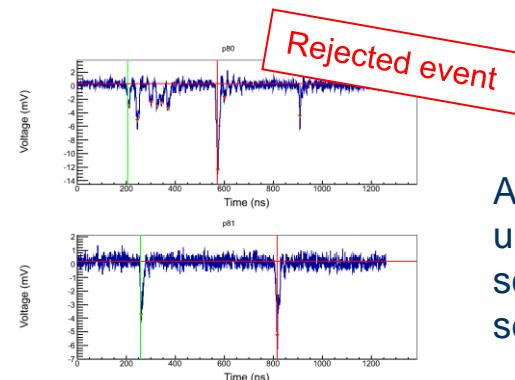
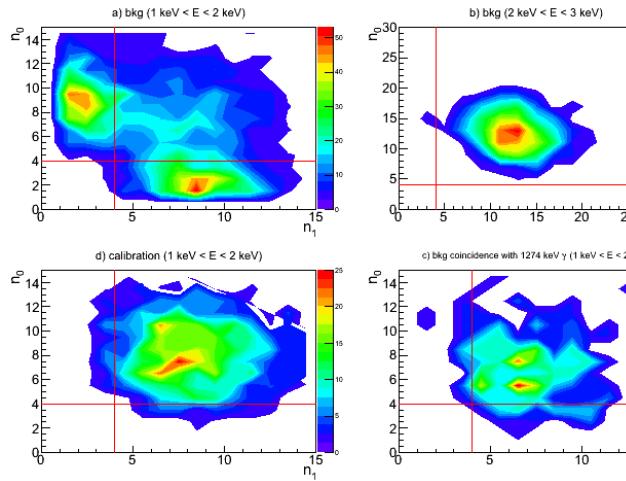
Temporal parameters of the pulse region of 78% acceptance  
from  $^{22}\text{Na}$  and  $^{40}\text{K}$  populations



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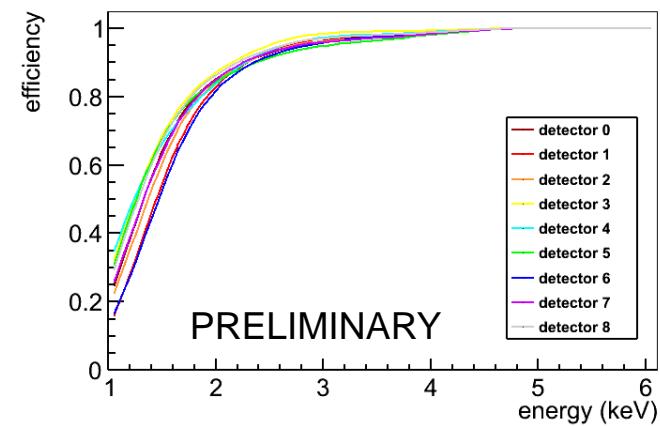
1.-Asymmetric events (<2 keVee): accept events with `number_of_peaks > 4` @ every PMT



A **blank module** will be set-up to monitor non NaI(Tl) scintillation events along the second year of operation

- Acceptance efficiency curves after two cuts:

Still working on final tuning,  
before unblinding the low energy data.  
Expected analysis down to 1 keV<sub>ee</sub>

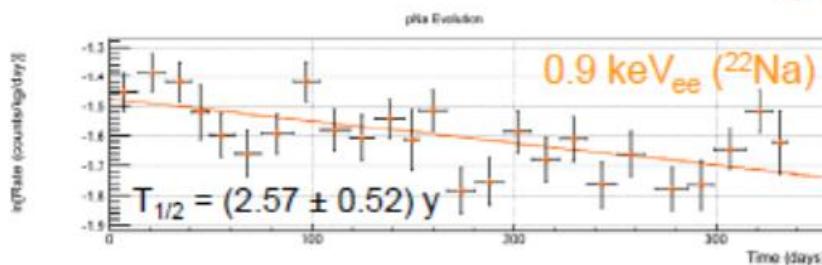


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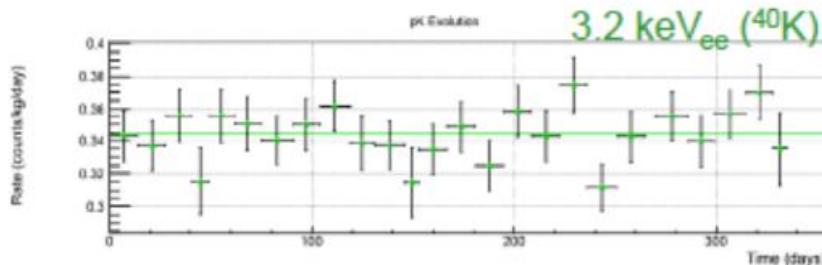
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- Consistent analysis of populations from  $^{22}\text{Na}$  and  $^{40}\text{K}$  selected by the coincidence with a high energy gamma

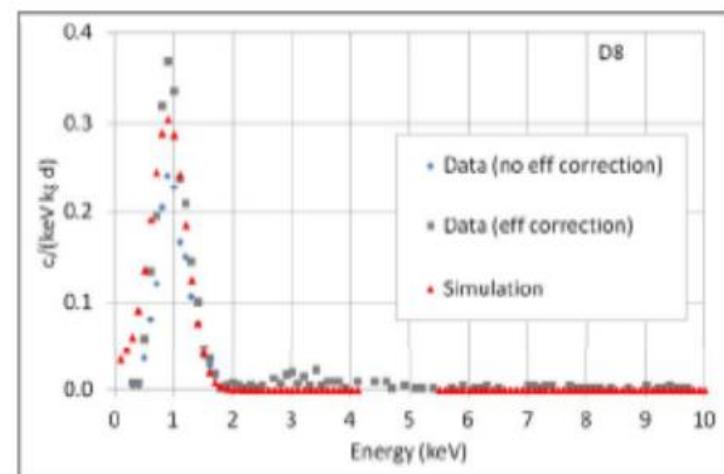
- Time evolution of the rate at low energy peaks



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- Measured rate (after filtering and efficiency correction) at 0.9 keV well reproduced by simulation using the  $^{22}\text{Na}$  activity quantified independently



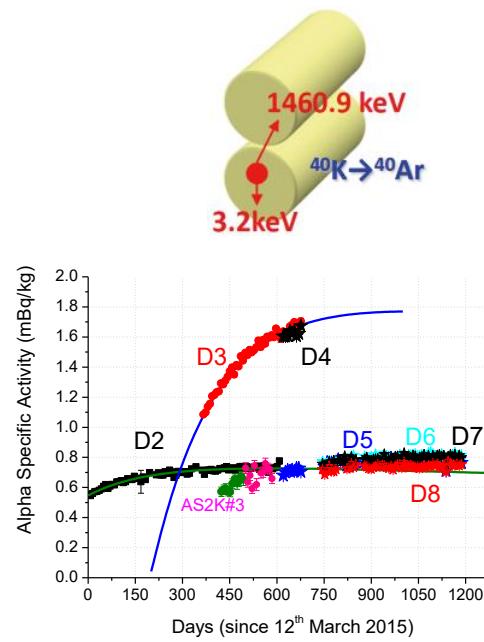
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Module	$^{40}\text{K}$ (mBq/kg)	$^{210}\text{Pb}$ (mBq/kg)
D0	$1.4 \pm 0.2$	$3.15 \pm 0.10$
D1	$1.1 \pm 0.2$	$3.15 \pm 0.10$
D2	$1.1 \pm 0.2$	$0.7 \pm 0.1$
D3	$0.60 \pm 0.06$	$1.8 \pm 0.1$
D4	$0.5 \pm 0.2$	$1.8 \pm 0.1$
D5	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$0.78 \pm 0.01$
D6	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$0.81 \pm 0.01$
D7	$0.9 \pm 0.2$	$0.80 \pm 0.01$
D8	$0.6 \pm 0.2$	$0.74 \pm 0.01$

C. Cuesta et al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 29 (2014) 1443010

J. Amaré et al, Eur. Phys. J. C 76 (2016) 429



$^{40}\text{K}$ : by identifying coincidences

$^{232}\text{Th}$ ,  $^{238}\text{U}$ : determined by alpha rate following PSA and analysis of BiPo sequences at a level of a few  $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$ , but  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  out of equilibrium

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    - **Cosmogenic activity**: short-lived Te and I isotopes,  $^3\text{H}$ ,  $^{22}\text{Na}$ ,  $^{109}\text{Cd}$ ,  $^{113}\text{Sn}$

$^{22}\text{Na}$ : from analysis of coincidences

Same order of activity measured using HPGe by SABRE on AstroGrade powder:  $0.8 \text{ mB/kg} = 69 \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{d}^{-1}$   
SABRE Collaboration, arXiv:1806.09344v1

$^3\text{H}$ : additional background source contributing only in the very low energy region required, which could be tritium

D0-D1:  $0.20 \text{ mBq/kg}$

D2-D8:  $0.09 \text{ mBq/kg}$  (upper limit DAMA/LIBRA)

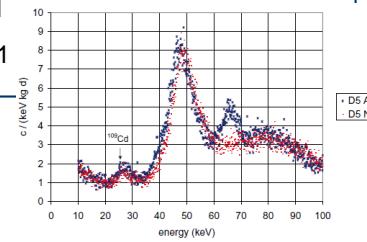
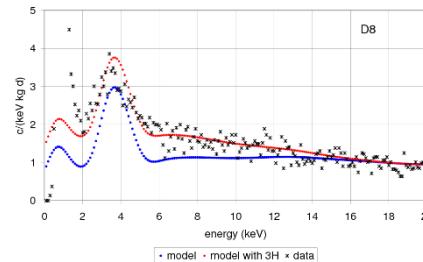
Same order of  $^3\text{H}$  activity fitted by COSINE-100  
P. Adhikari et al, Eur. Phys. J. C (2018) 78:490

$^{109}\text{Cd}$ ,  $^{113}\text{Sn}$ : from peaks at binding energies of K-shell electrons (after EC)

Preliminary estimate of production rates:

$^{109}\text{Cd}$   $(2.38 \pm 0.20) \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{d}^{-1}$

$^{113}\text{Sn}$   $(4.53 \pm 0.40) \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{d}^{-1}$



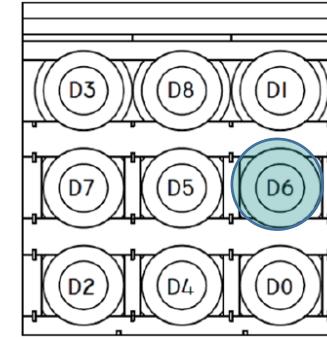
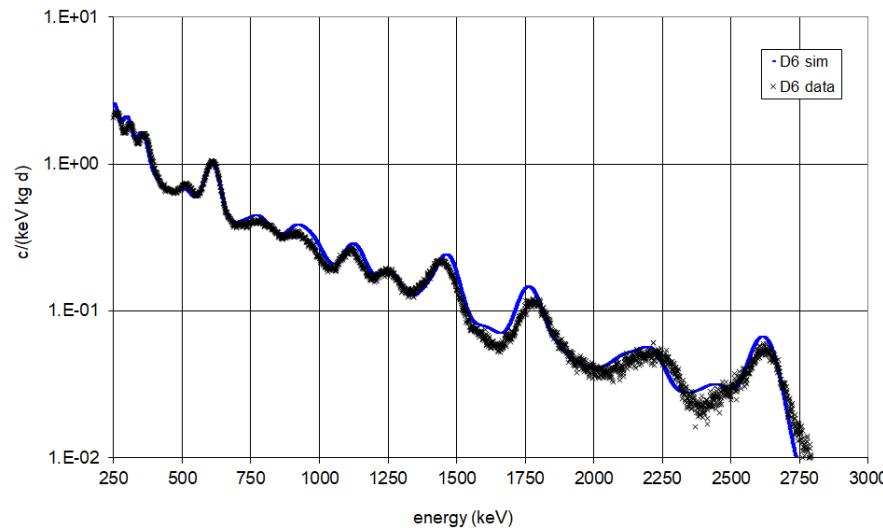
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# Background model : comparison with data

Comparison for high energy (>250 keV) (3 August 2017 to 30 March 2018)



Individual contributions:

