

CUORE Results and the CUPID Project

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Outline

- Introduction to cryogenic bolometers
- The CUORE experiment
 - ▶ Detector Design
 - ▶ Cryogenic infrastructure
 - ▶ CUORE Results
- The CUPID Project

CUORE/CUPID Poster Summary

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A. Campani, *The Bayesian software for the $0\nu\beta\beta$ CUORE analysis* (Poster #101 Session 1)

G. Fantini, *Latest results from the CUORE experiment on $\beta\beta$ decay of ^{130}Te to the first 0^+ excited state of ^{130}Xe* (Poster #295 Session 2)

V. Singh, *Precise measurement of $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay half-life of ^{100}Mo using enriched $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ scintillating crystals* (Poster #525 Session 2)

I. Colantoni, *A dual-readout cryogenic detector for double-beta decay: the CUPID-0 experiment* (Poster #111 Session 3)

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T. Dixon, *CUPID-Mo, first sensitivity estimates for $2\nu\beta\beta(0\nu\beta\beta)$ decay of ^{100}Mo to excited states* (Poster #382 Session 4)

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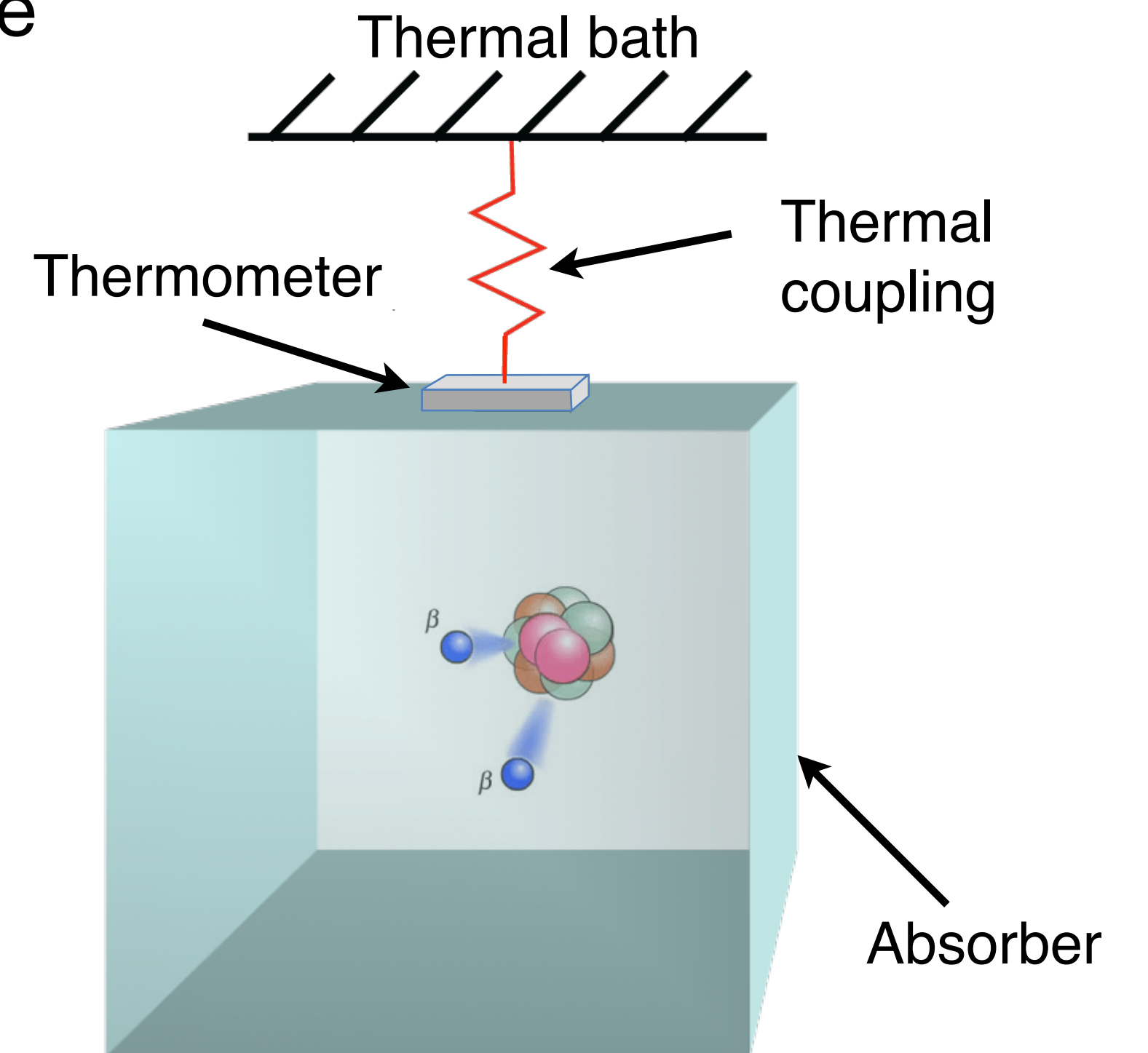
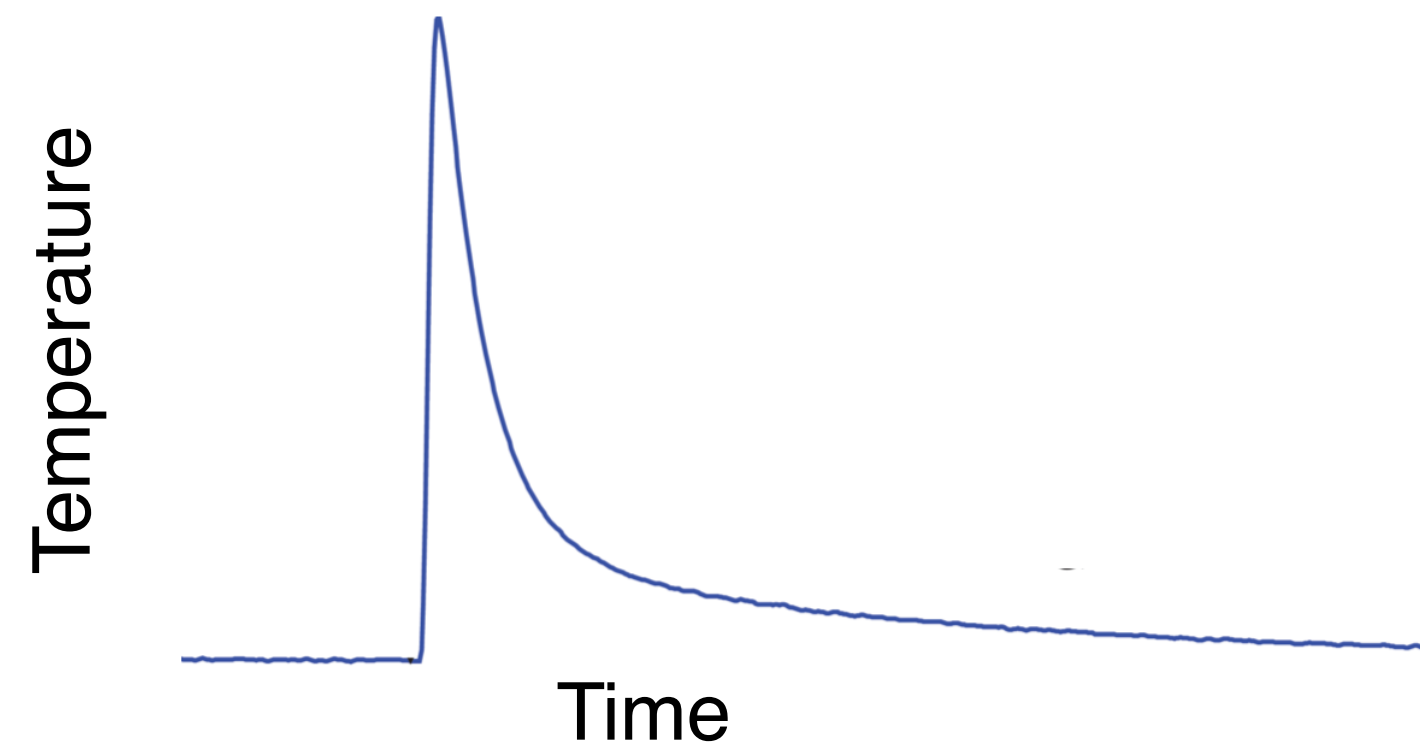
B. Schmidt, *New limit from the search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ of ^{100}Mo with the CUPID-Mo experiment* (Poster #419 Session 3)

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Macro Bolometer Technique

- The absorbed energy causes an increase in absorber temperature
- Use temperature change to measure energy absorbed

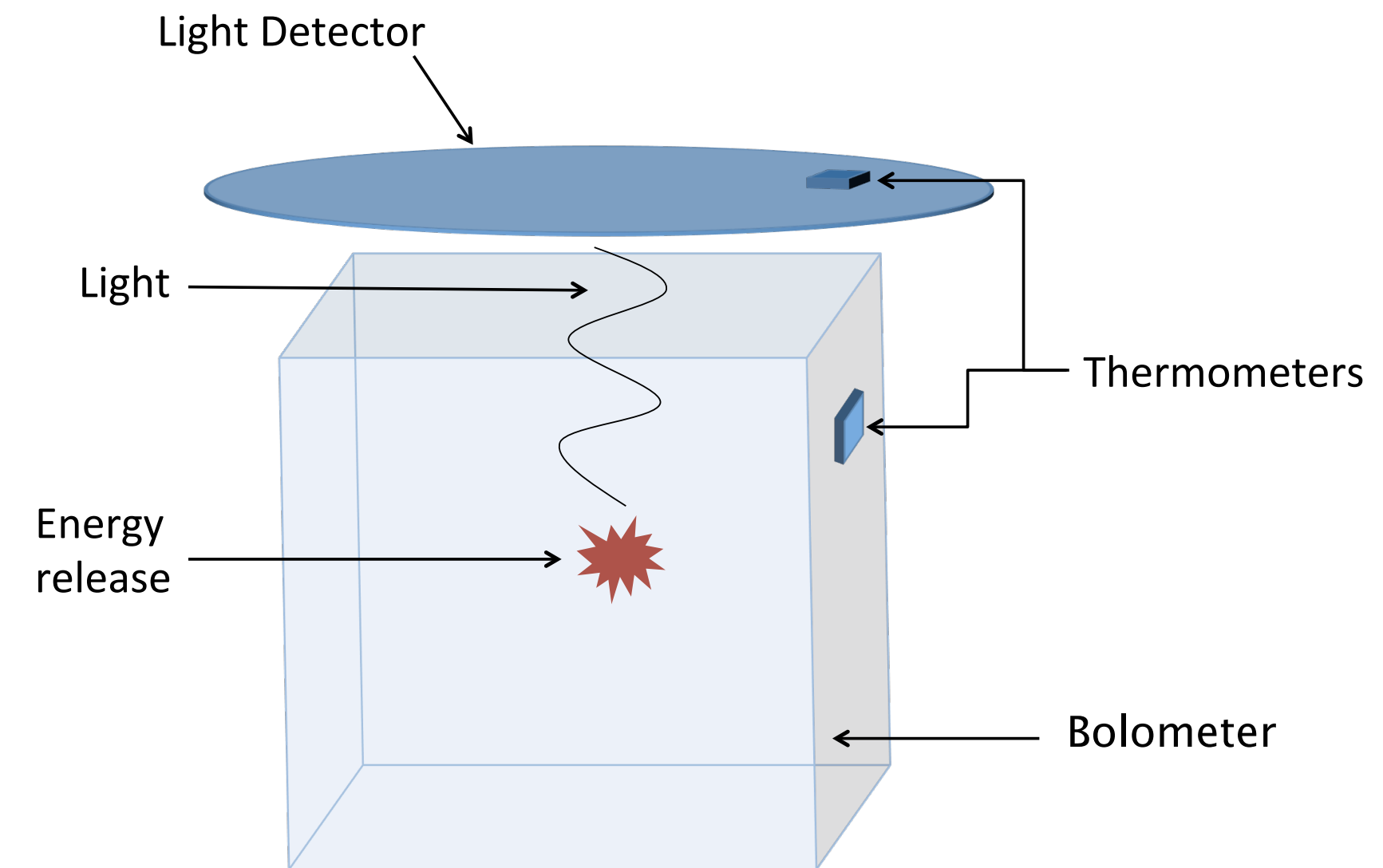
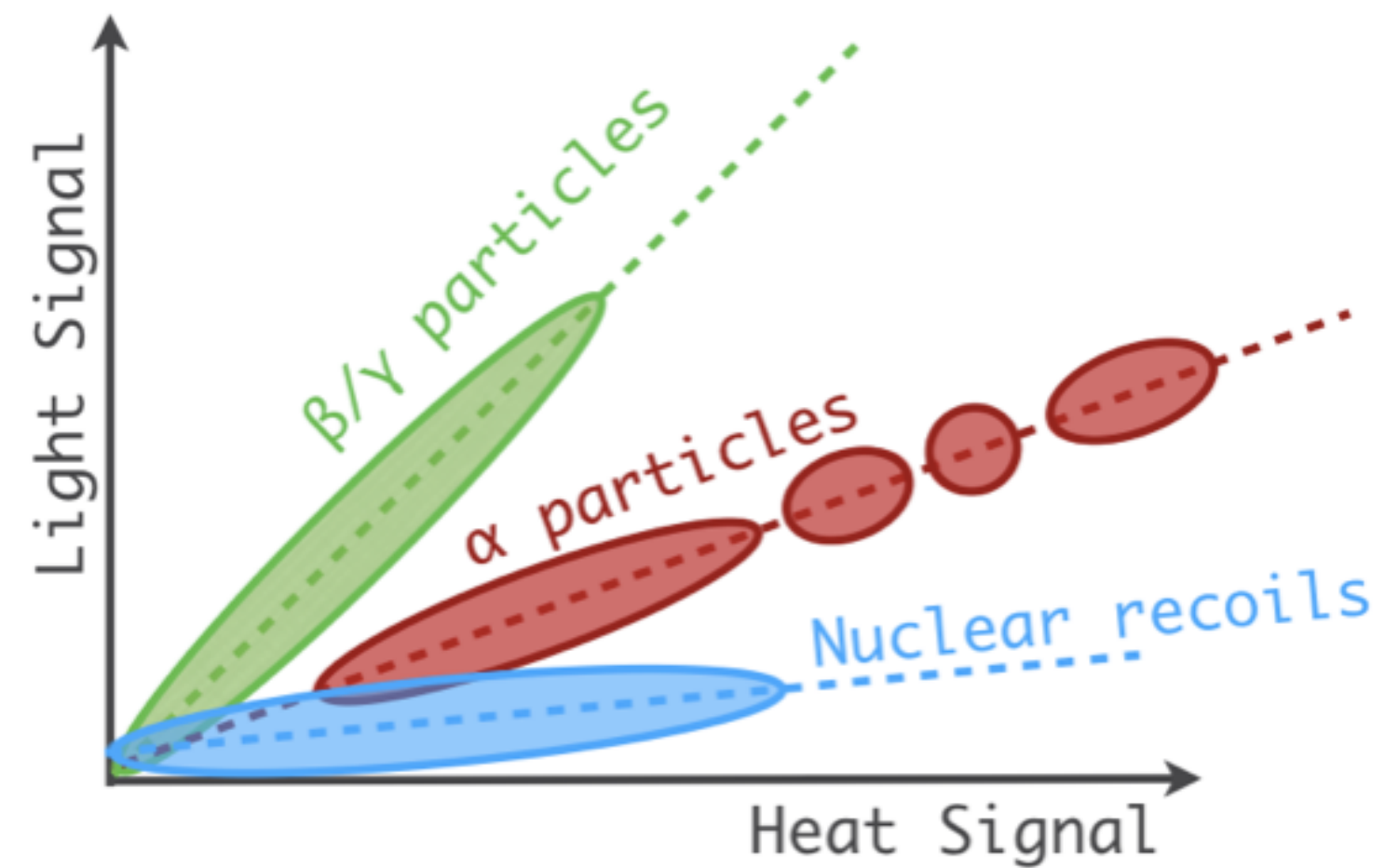


- For dielectric crystal absorbers, heat capacity $\sim T^3$
- Typically operated at $\sim 10\text{mK}$
- Relative energy resolution of $0.2\sim 0.3\%$ FWHM routinely achieved

**CUORE uses
this technique**

Scintillating Macro Bolometer

- If the absorber also scintillates measuring both the thermal and light signal enables particle discrimination



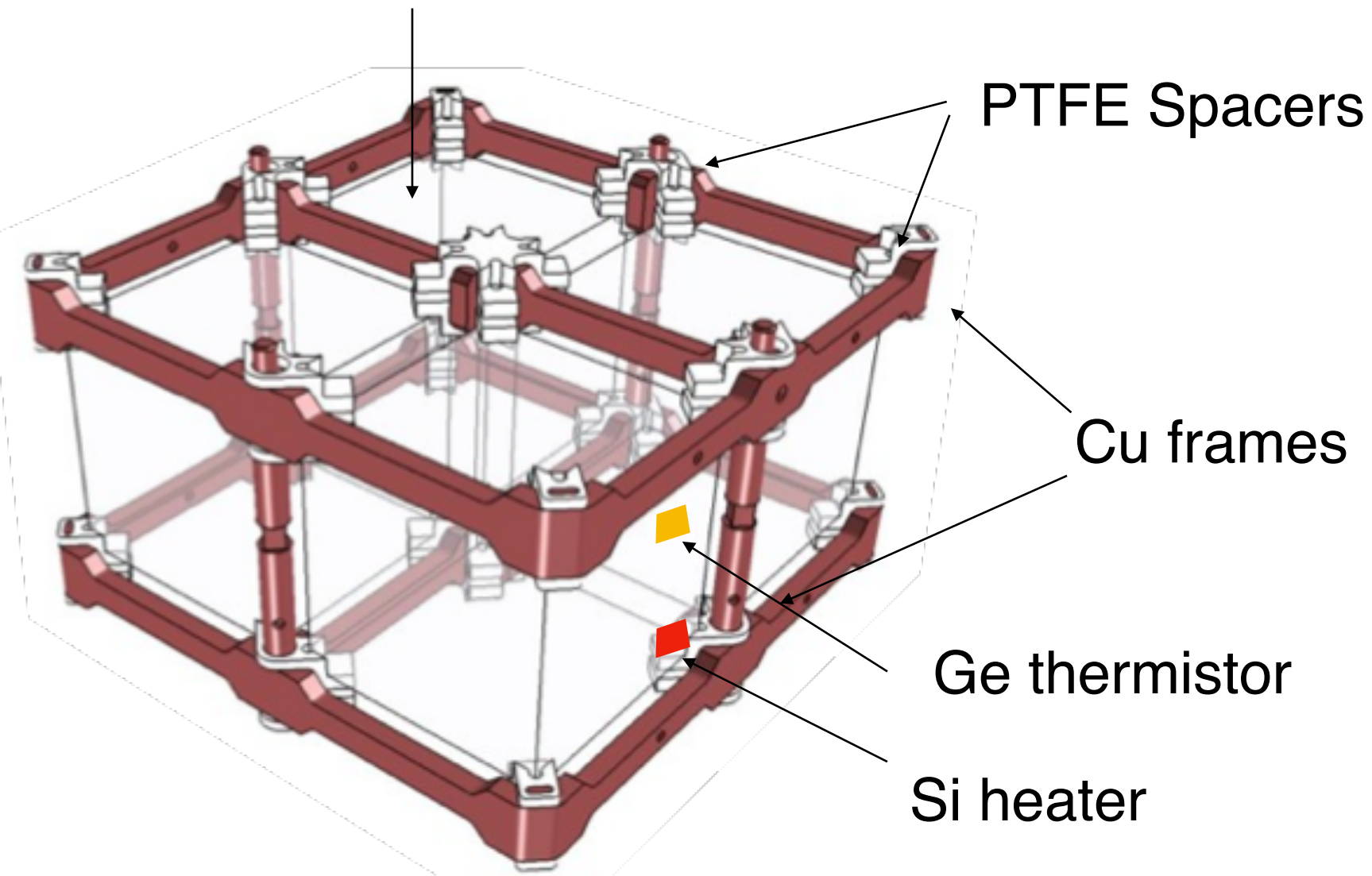
- Light detection at mK temperatures is achieved with secondary bolometer (such as Ge wafer)

**CUPID will use
this technique**

CUORE Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events



4 TeO₂ crystals (5 cm x 5 cm x 5 cm) per floor



13 floors per tower



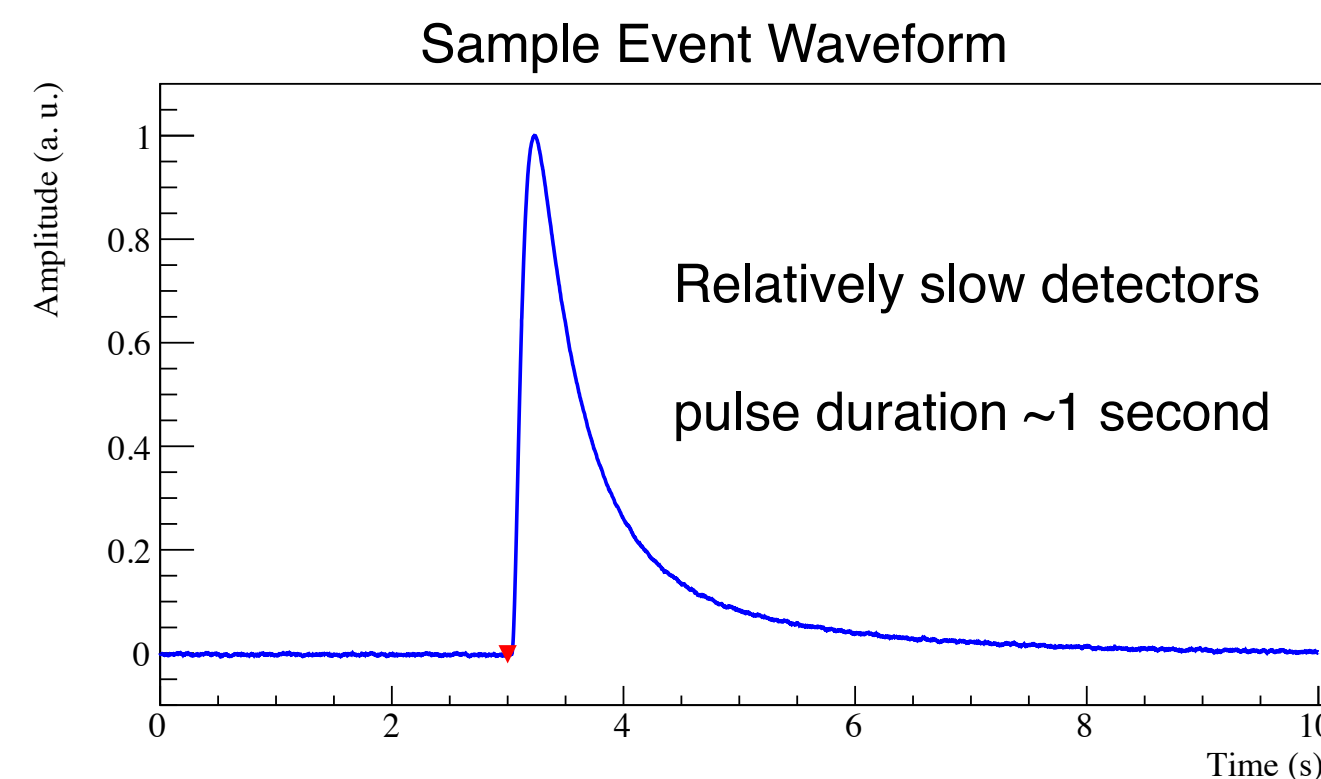
19 towers in total



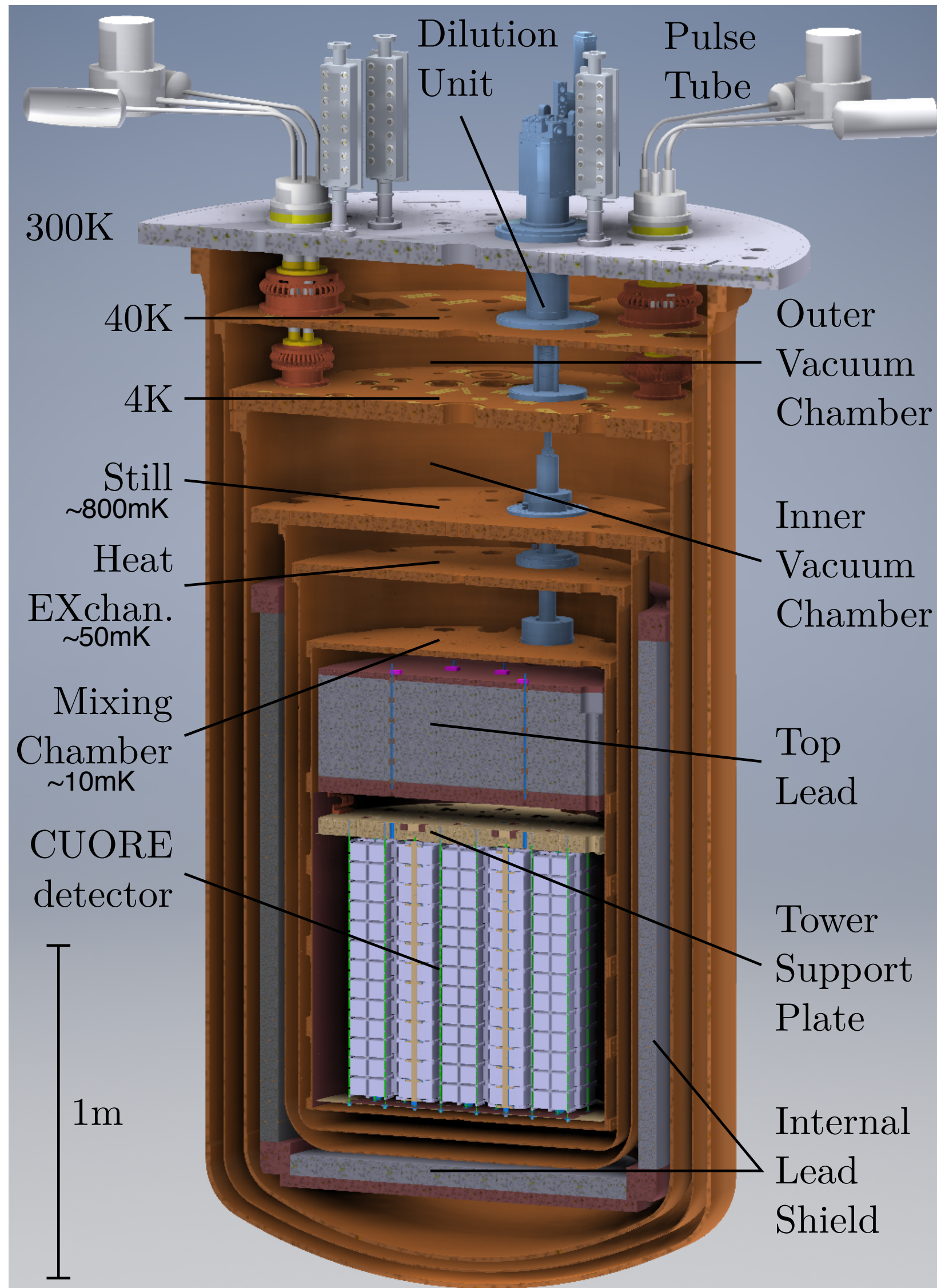
- Hosted at Gran Sasso Underground Lab
- Close-packed array of 988 ^{nat}TeO₂ bolometers (Total active mass: 742 kg)
- Operated at T~11 mK
- Primary physics goal: 0νββ decay of ¹³⁰Te
 - ▶ Isotopic abundance 34% => 206 kg
 - ▶ Q-value: 2527.5 keV
- CUORE design goals:

- ▶ Energy resolution: 5 keV FWHM near Q_{ββ}
- ▶ Background: 0.01 c/keV/kg/y near Q_{ββ}
- ▶ 0νββ sensitivity for 5 years of livetime:

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = 9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$$



milli-Kelvin facility for tonne-scale detectors

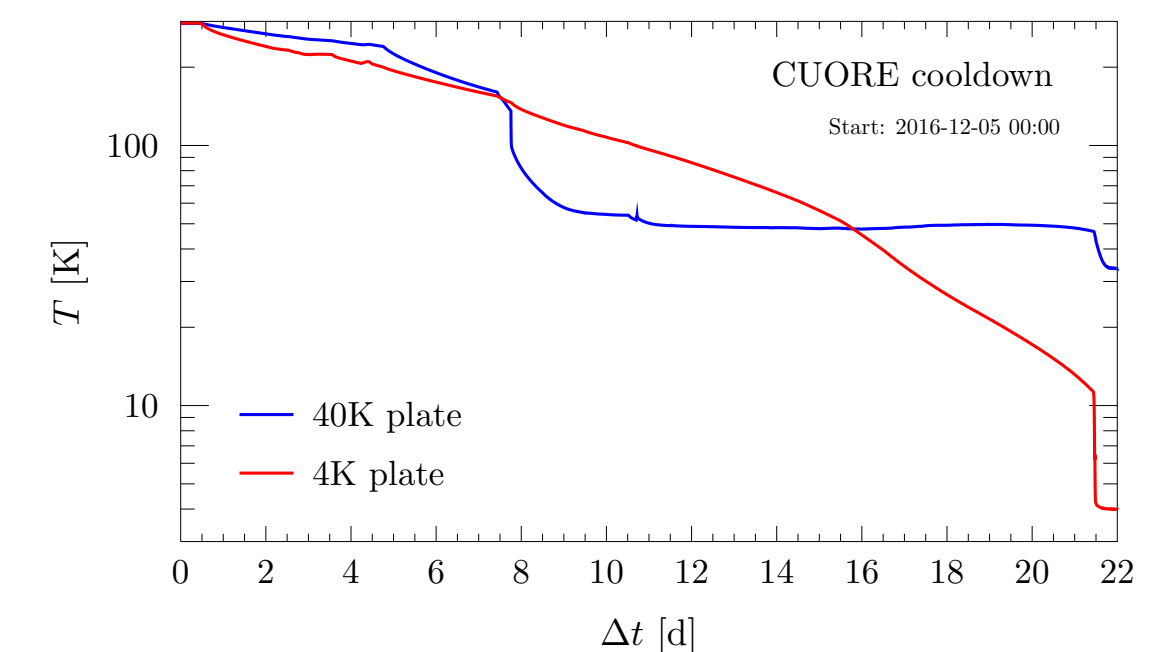


- Powerful ^3He - ^4He dilution refrigerator cooling power: $5 \mu\text{W}$ at 10 mK
- Precooled by 4 pulse tubes
- Cryogenic vessels and shielding:
 - 13 tonnes < 4 K
 - 5 tonnes < 50 mK
 - 1500 kg @ 10 mK (detectors + materials)
- Experimental volume $\sim 1 \text{ m}^3$ a.k.a “Coldest cubic meter in the known universe”
- Cooldown time ~ 1 month
- External Shielding:
 - 18 cm polyethylene + 2 cm borated material
 - 30 cm lead

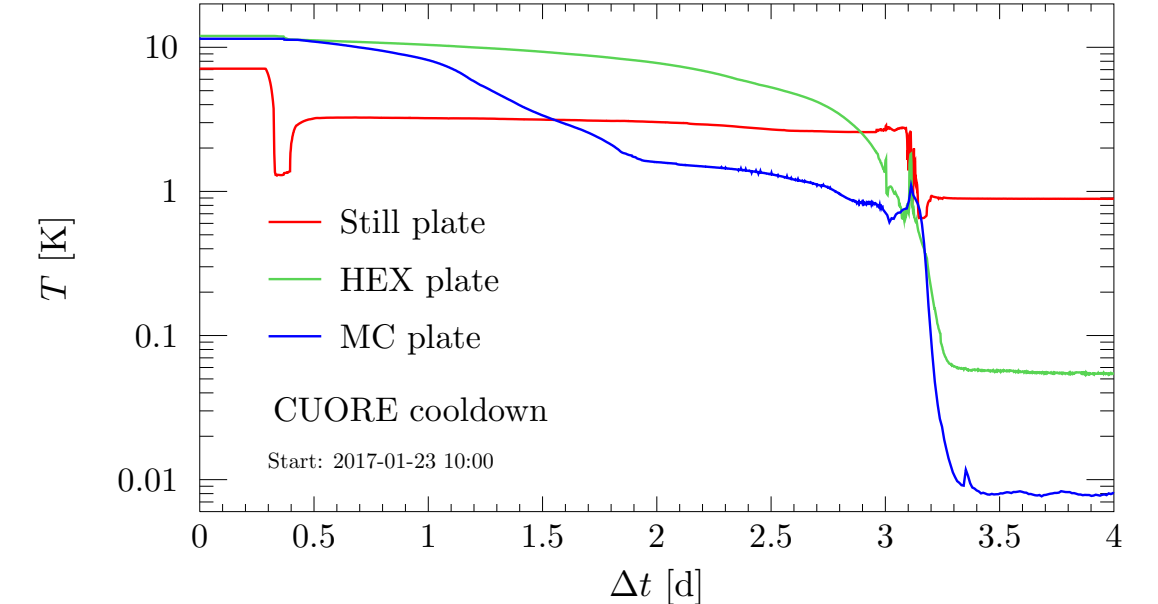
Cryogenics **102**, 9-21 (2019). [arxiv:1904.05745](https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.05745)

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Cooldown 300K \rightarrow 4K

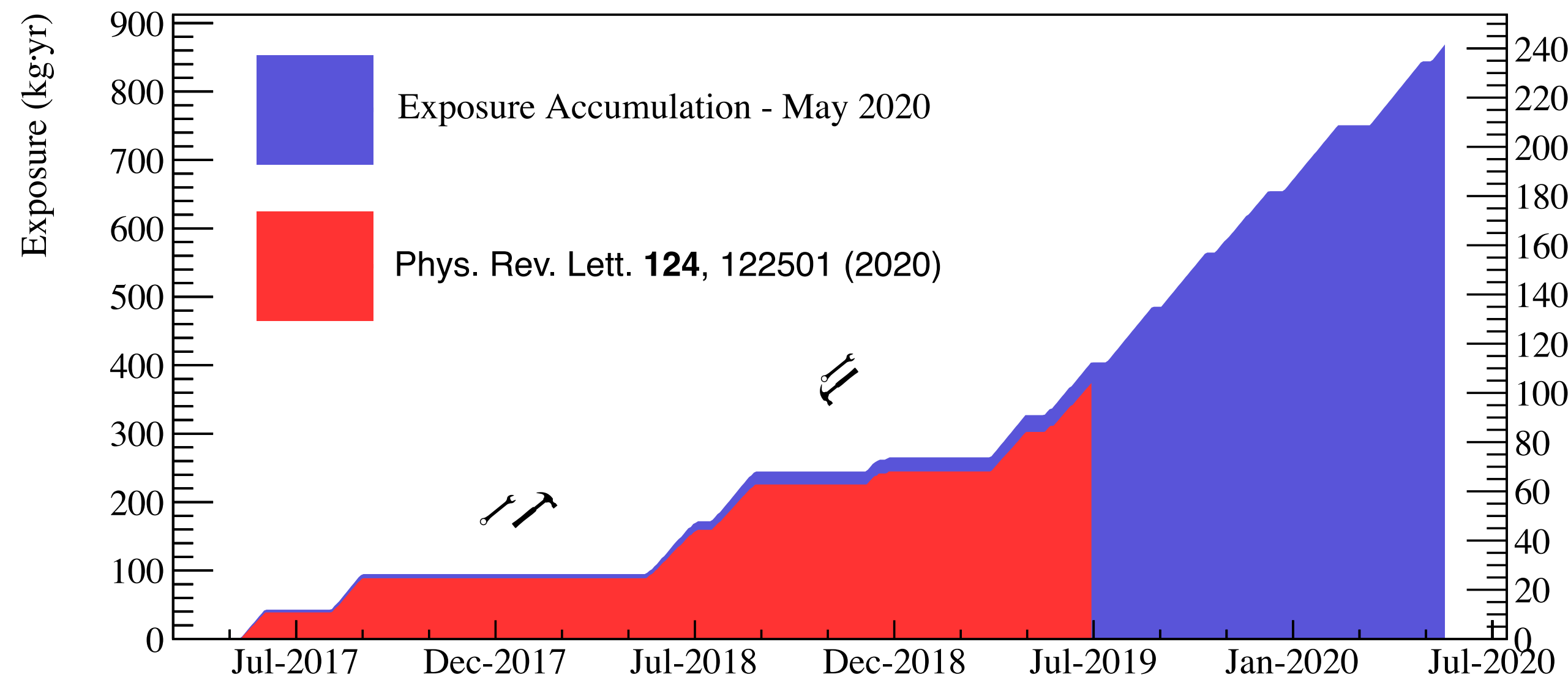


Cooldown 4K \rightarrow 10mK

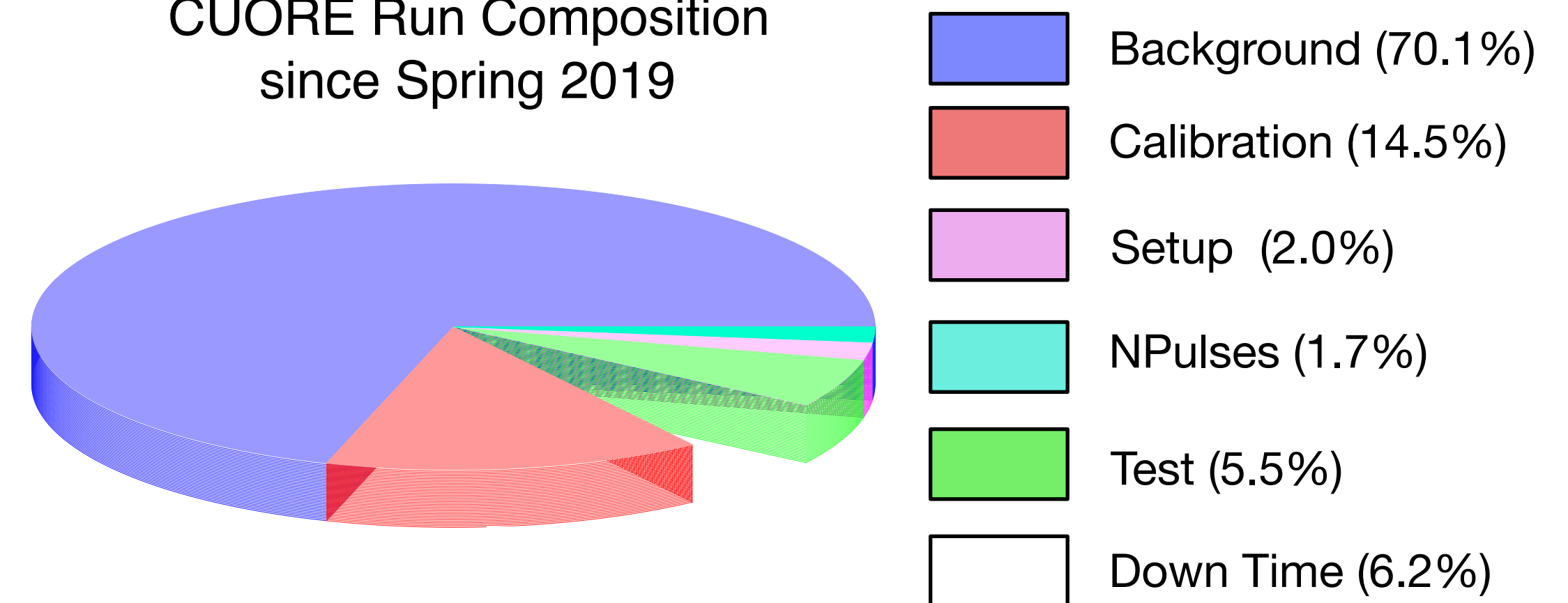


CUORE Status/Data taking

CUORE Exposure Accumulation



CUORE Run Composition since Spring 2019



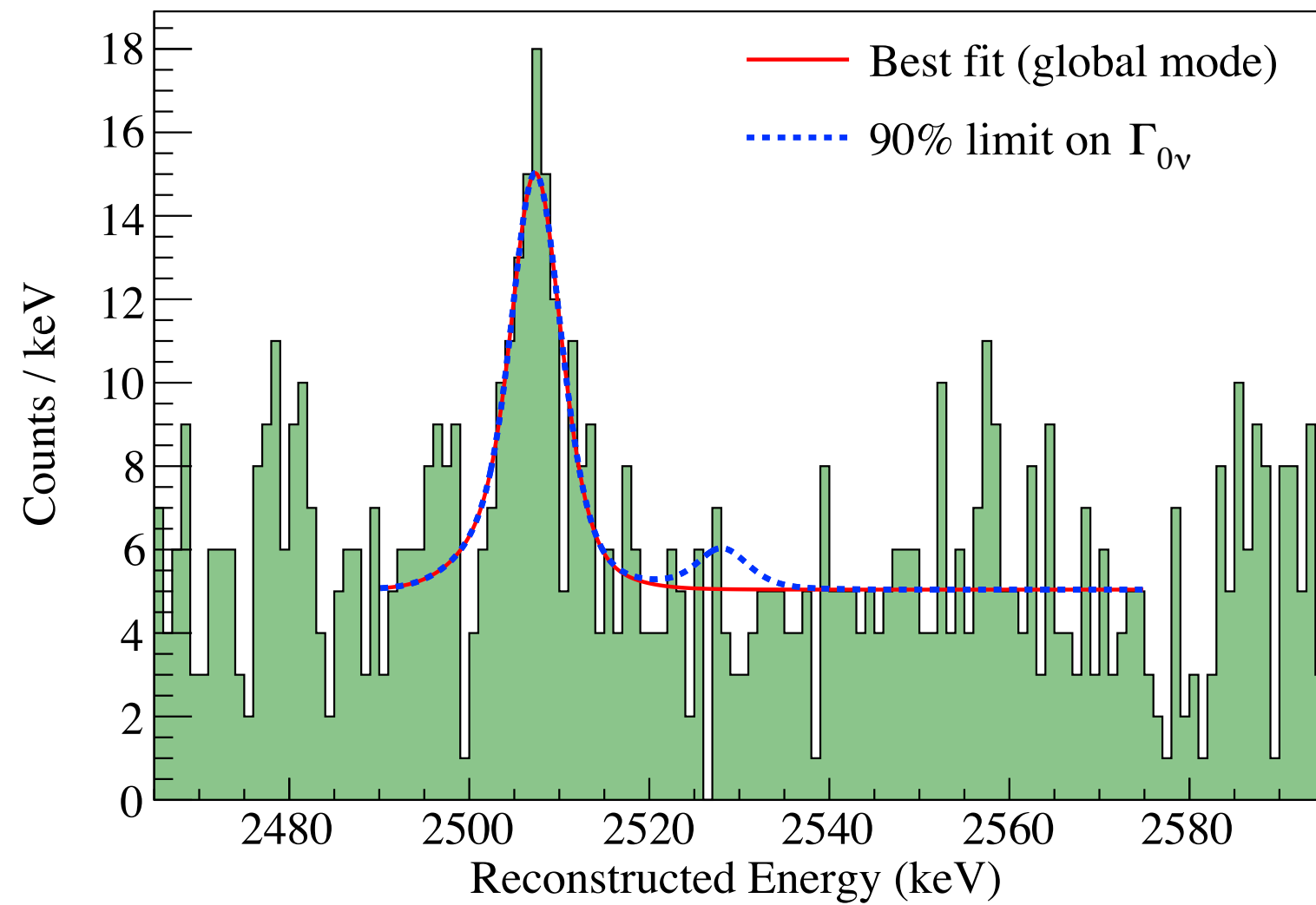
- Data taking started in Spring 2017
- After initial data taking phase, significant effort devoted to understanding the system and optimizing data taking conditions
- Since March 2019 data taking is continuing smoothly with $> 90\%$ uptime
- CUORE “data set”: ~1 month of background data taking with a few days of calibration at the start and end



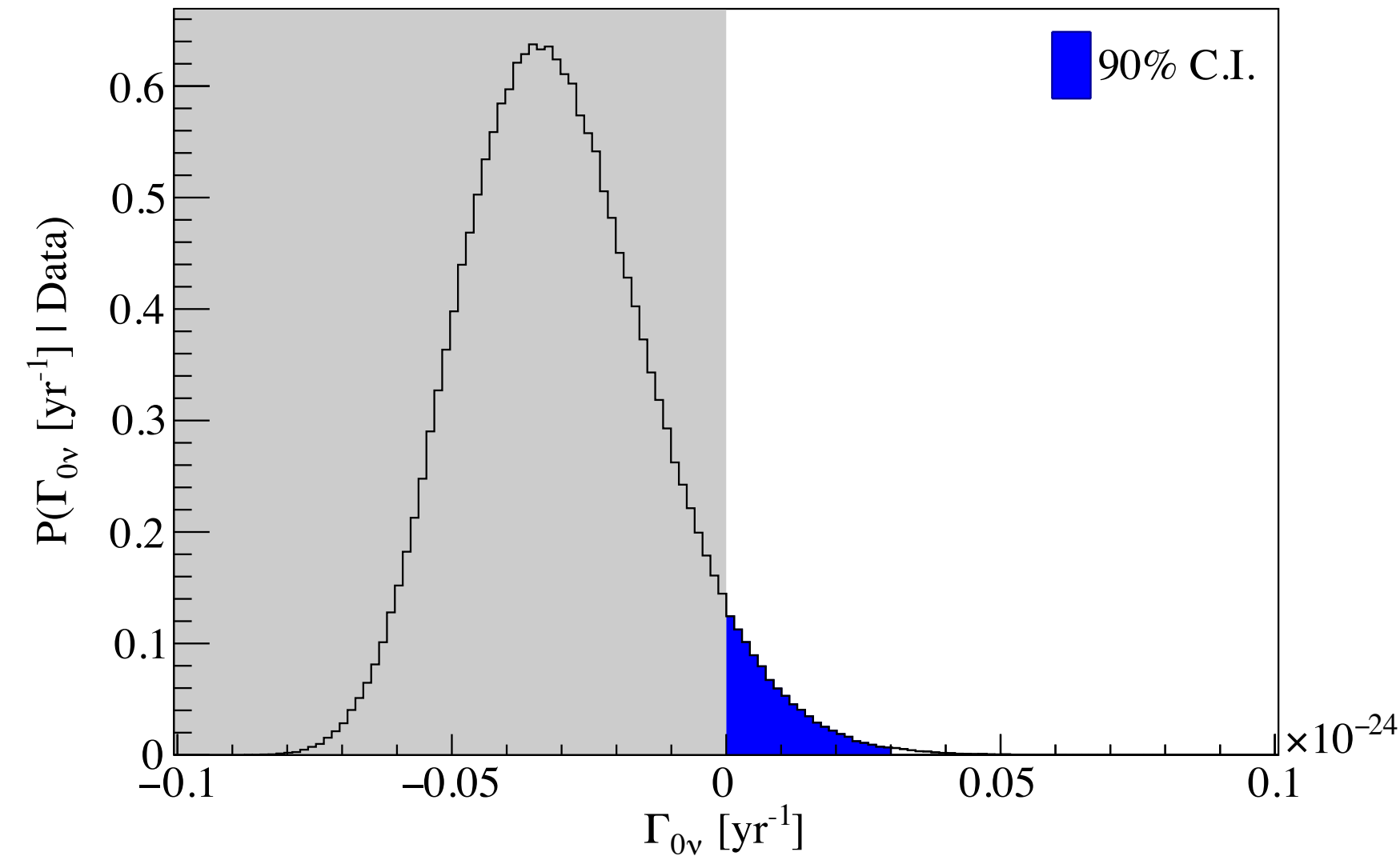
Stable conditions allowed continued data taking with minimal onsite activity during recent lockdowns

CUORE: $0\nu\beta\beta$ Search

CUORE ROI Spectrum



Posterior for $\Gamma_{0\nu}$



- 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

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

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 122501 \(2020\)](#)

- Total exposure TeO_2 : 372.5 kg · yr
- Bayesian Analysis (BAT)
- Likelihood model: flat continuum (BI), posited peak for $0\nu\beta\beta$ (rate), peak for ^{60}Co (rate + position)
- Unbinned fit on physical range (rates non-negative), uniform prior on $\Gamma_{0\nu}$
- Systematics: repeat fits with nuisance parameters, allow negative rates (<0.4% impact on limit)

See **A. Campani**, Poster #101 Session 1

Detector Performance Parameters

Background Index

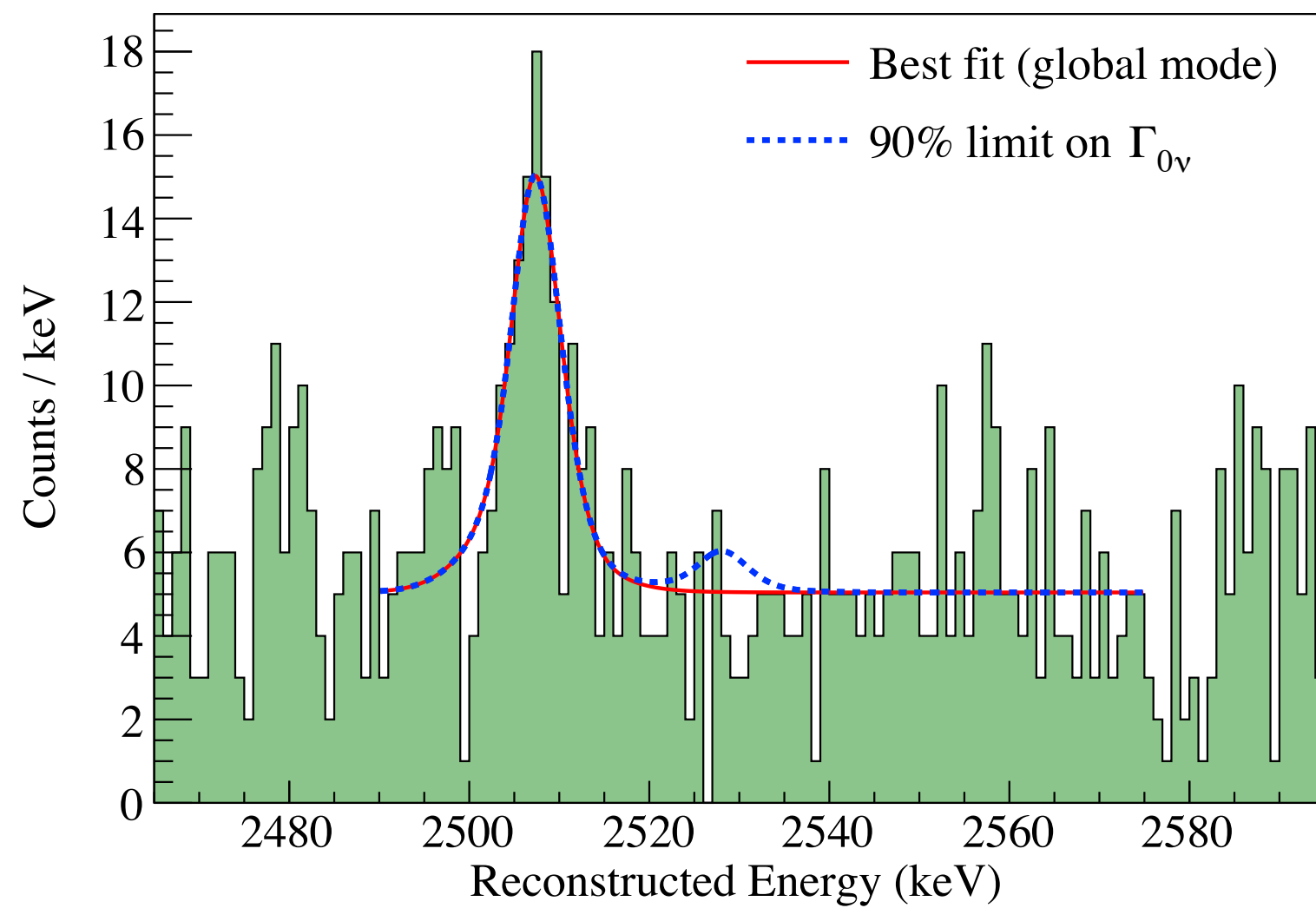
$$(1.38 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-2} \text{ cnts}/(\text{keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr})$$

Characteristic FWHM ΔE at $Q_{\beta\beta}$

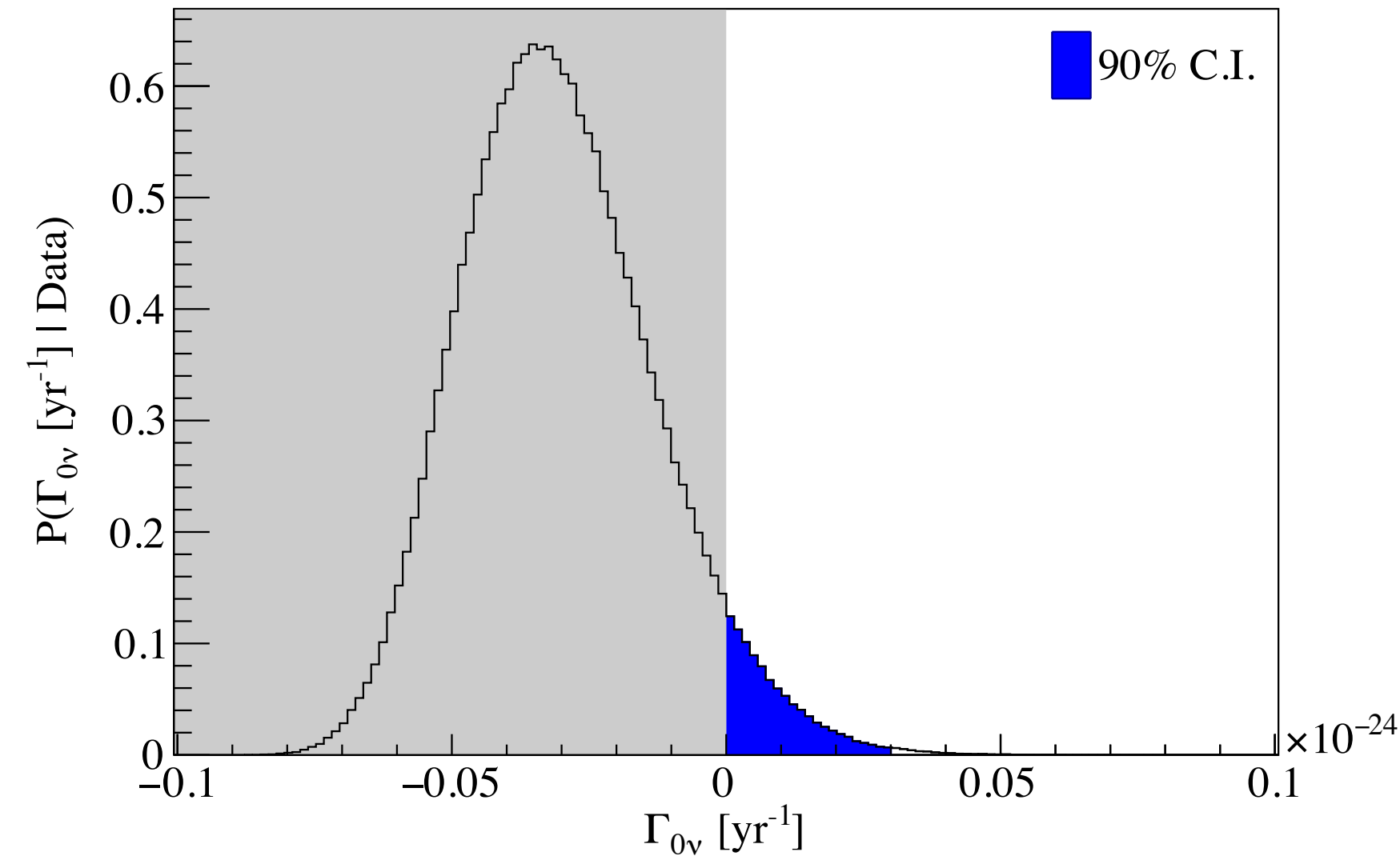
$$7.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ keV}$$

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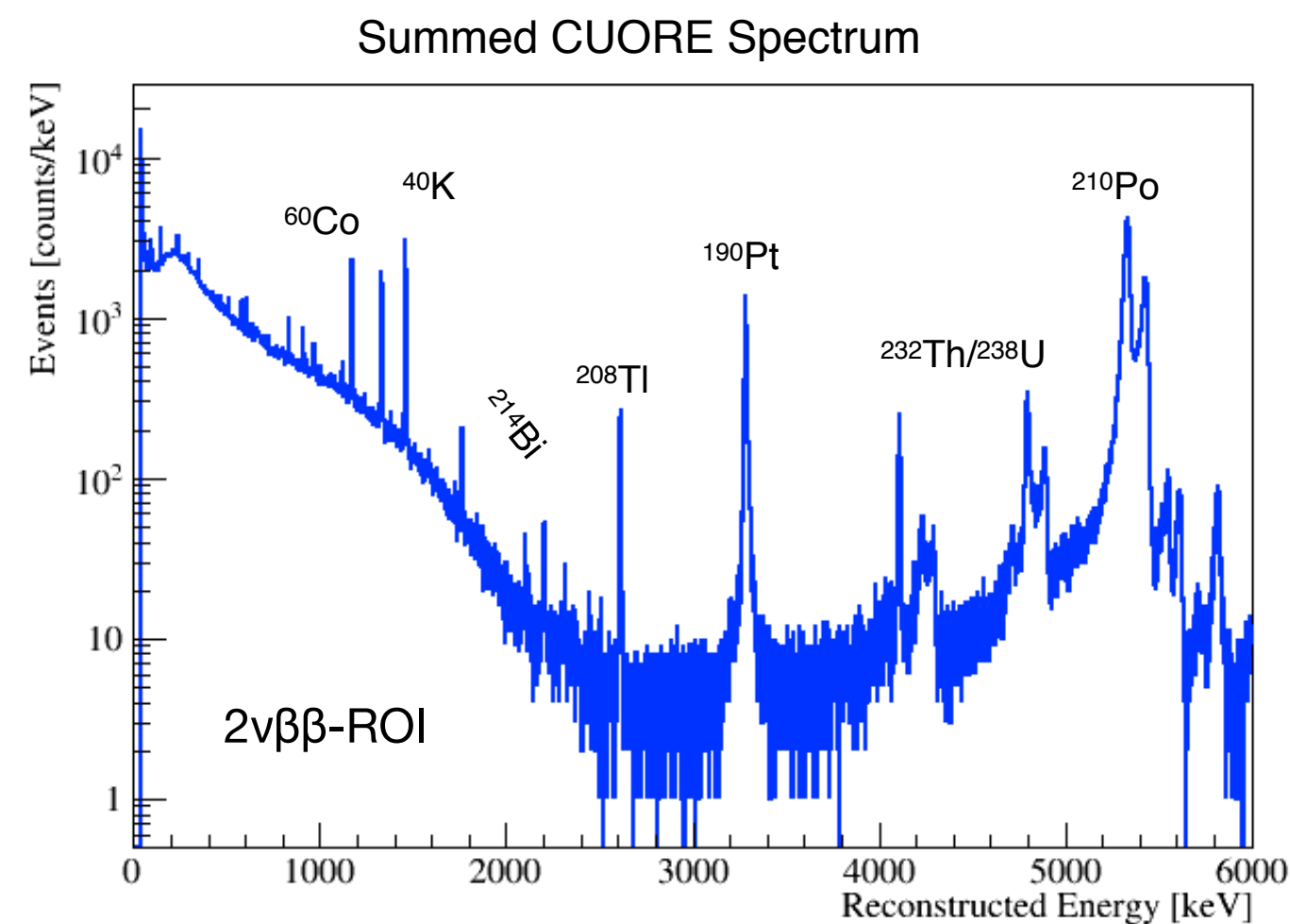
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Data taking continues smoothly — next unblinding

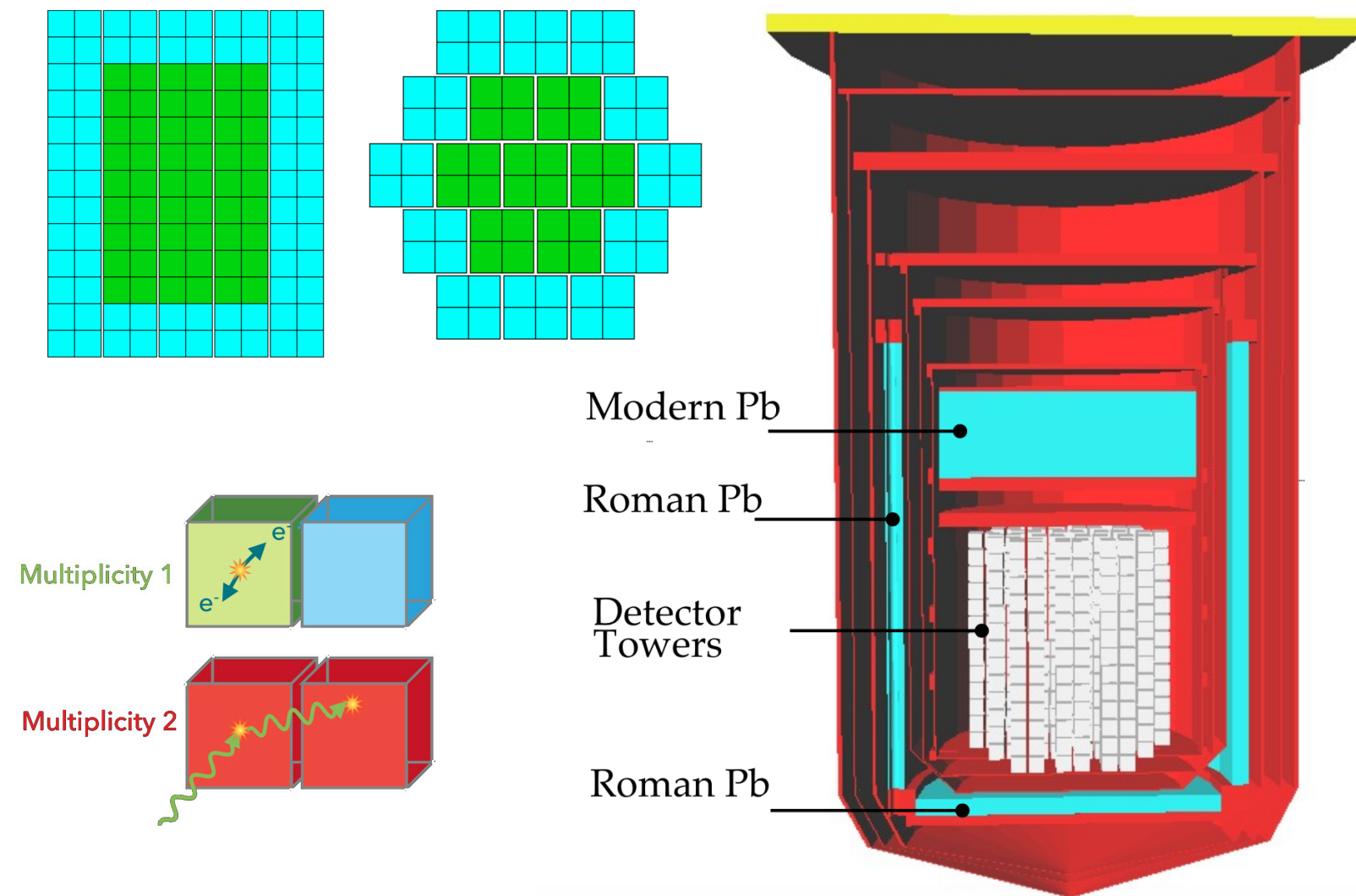
1 tonne · yr

Stay tuned !

CUORE: $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay measurement



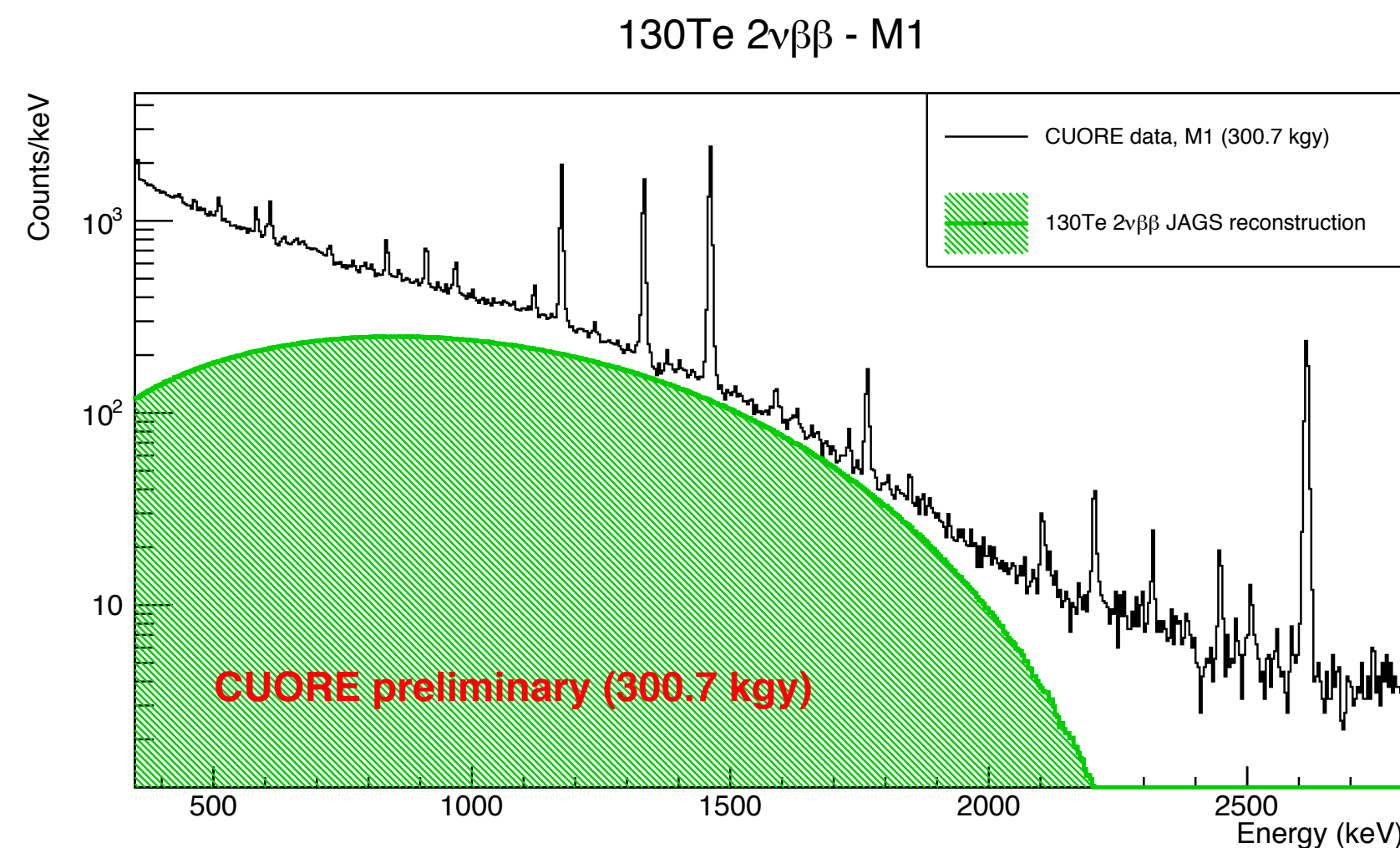
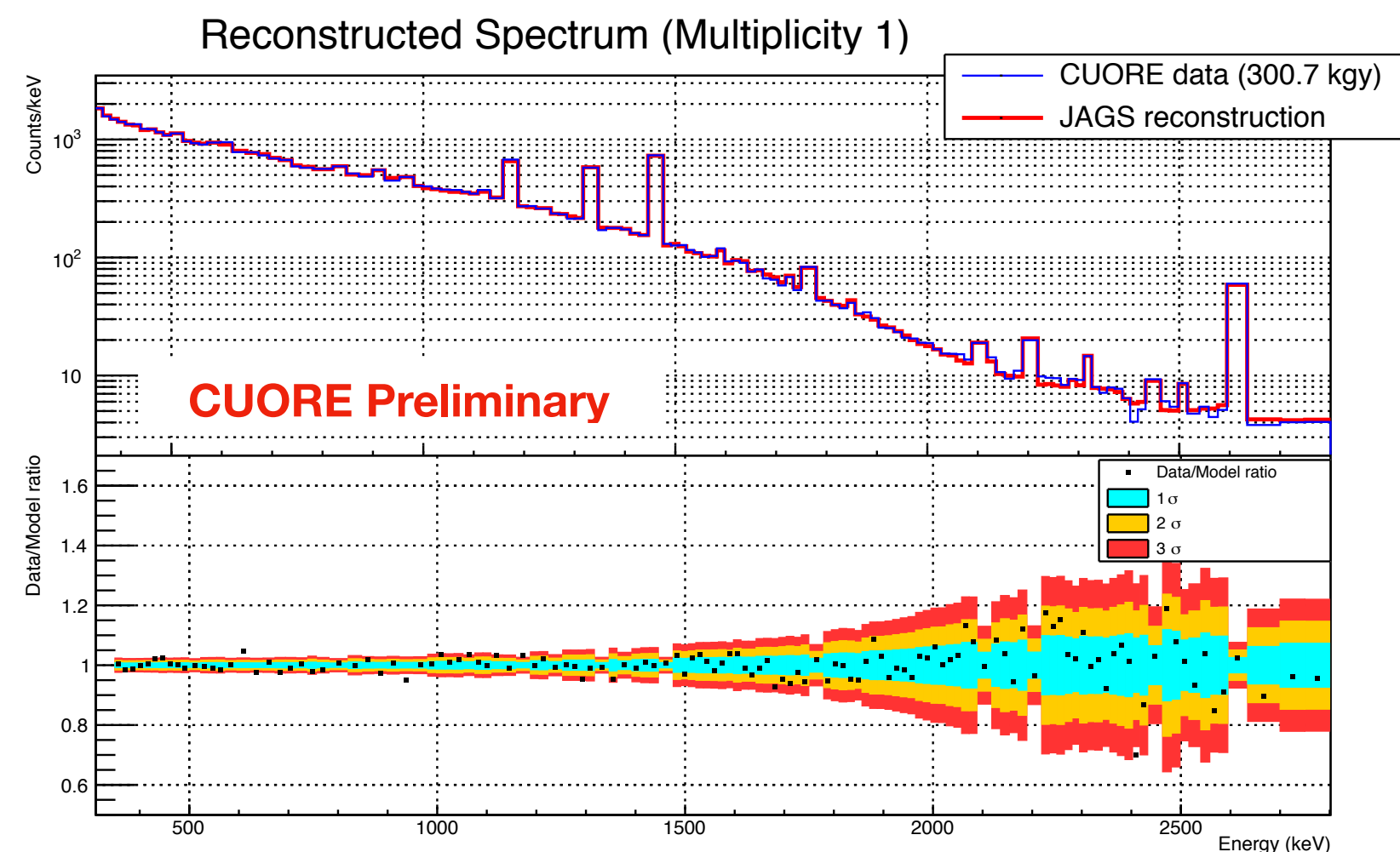
- Reconstruct CUORE continuum background
- GEANT4 simulation + measured detector response function to produce expected spectra
- 62 sources considered, Bayesian fit with flat priors (except for muons)
- Exploit coincidences & detector self-shielding to constrain location of sources



See V. Dompè
Poster #146 Session 3

Systematic Uncertainties

- Data selection:
 - geometric splitting, time splitting, fit range
- Choice of $2\nu\beta\beta$ spectrum (single state vs. higher state dominance*)
- Unconstrained fallout products (^{90}Sr)



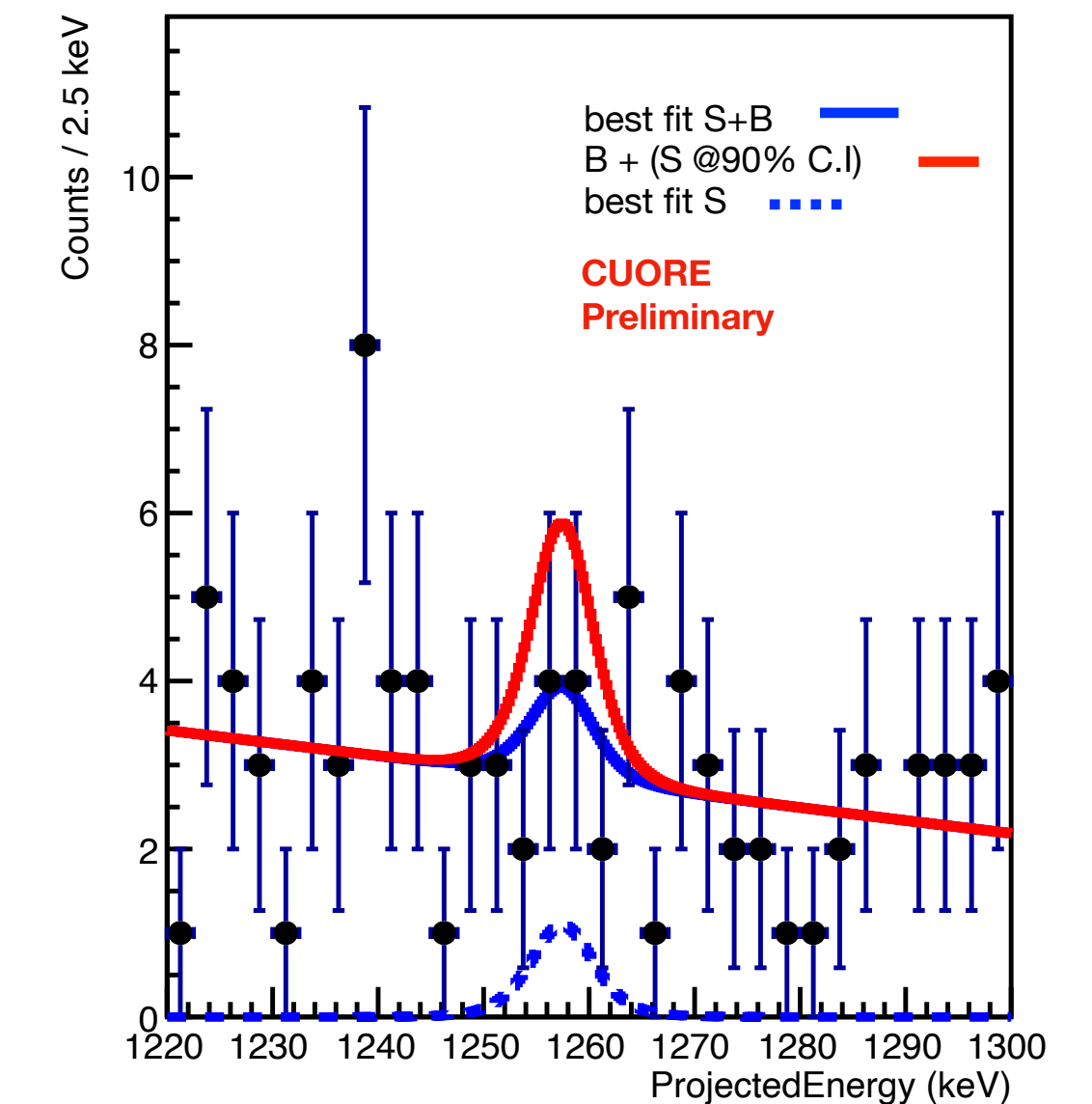
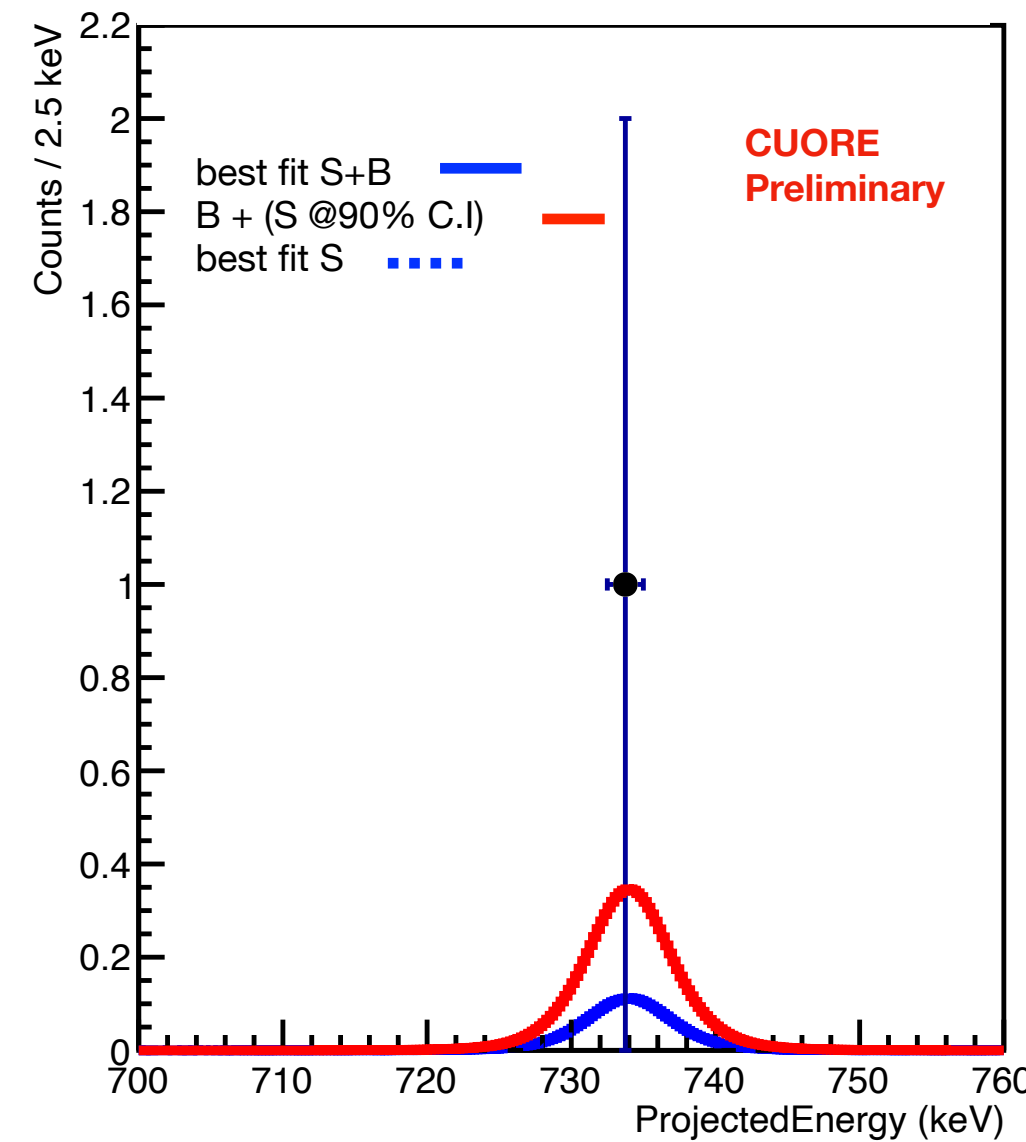
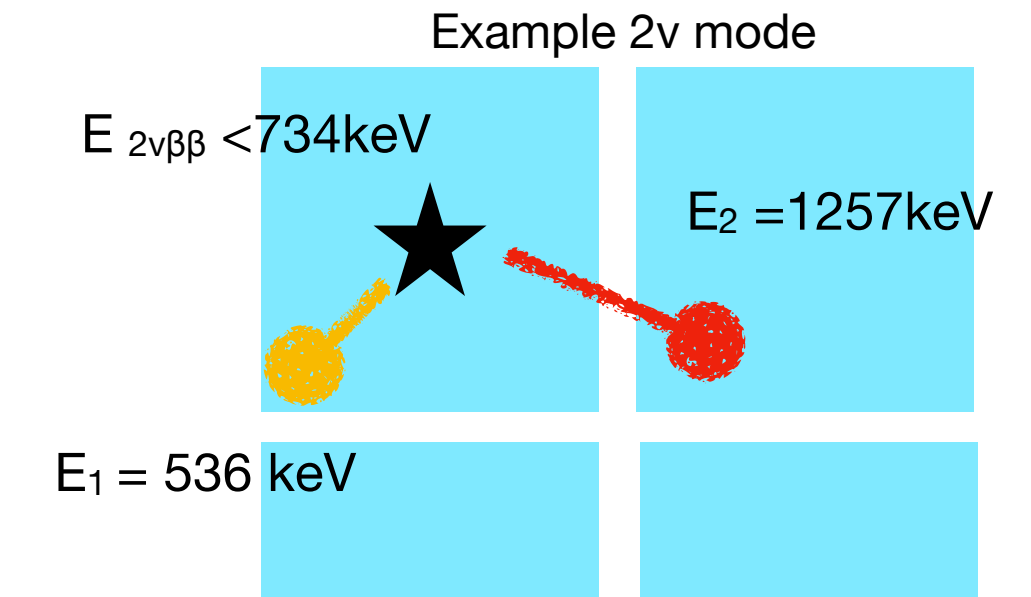
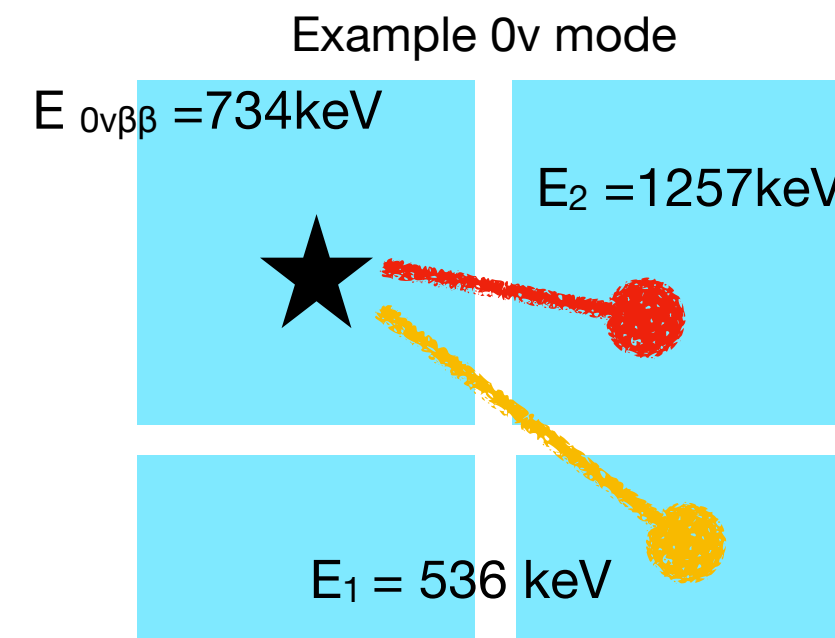
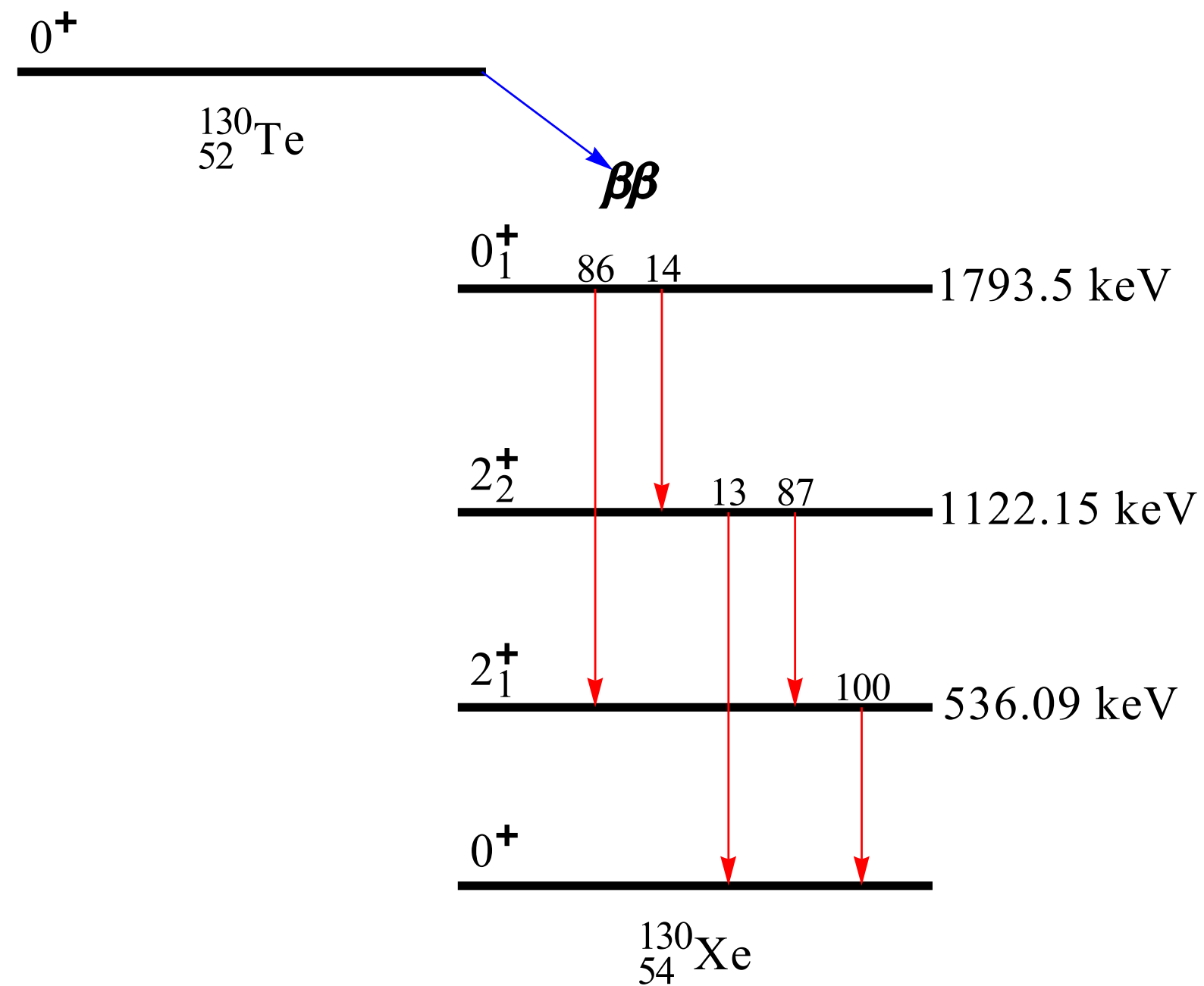
CUORE Preliminary

$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = [7.71_{-0.06}^{+0.08}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.17_{-0.15}(\text{syst.})] \times 10^{20} \text{ yr}$$

* [Phys. Rev. C. 85, 034316 \(2012\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/1203.3503)

CUORE: Search for $\beta\beta$ decay to excited states

- ^{130}Te may also $\beta\beta$ decay to excited states of ^{130}Xe (this decay has never been observed)
- Cascade of de-excitation γ s in coincidence with β s produces multi-site signatures



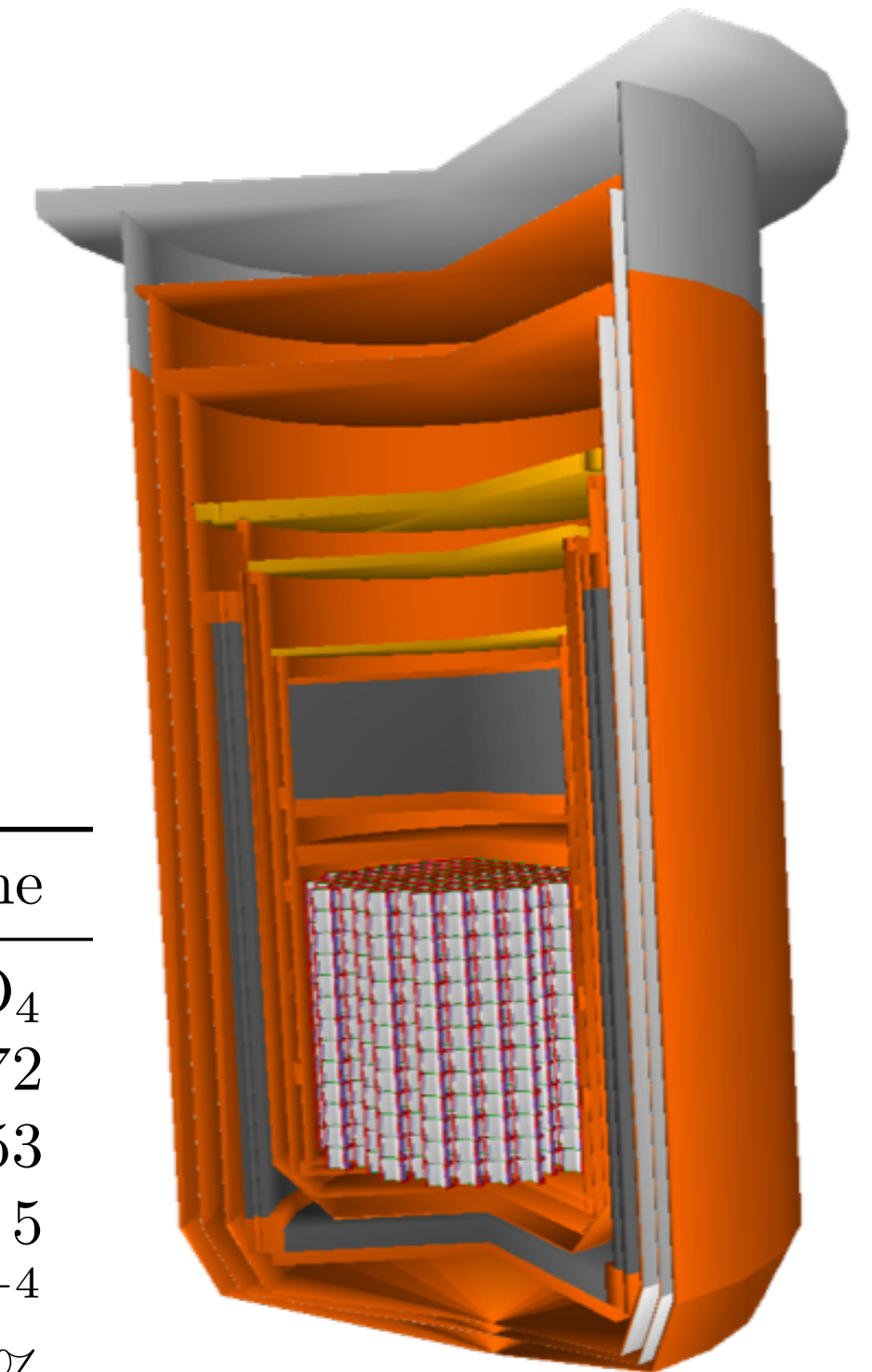
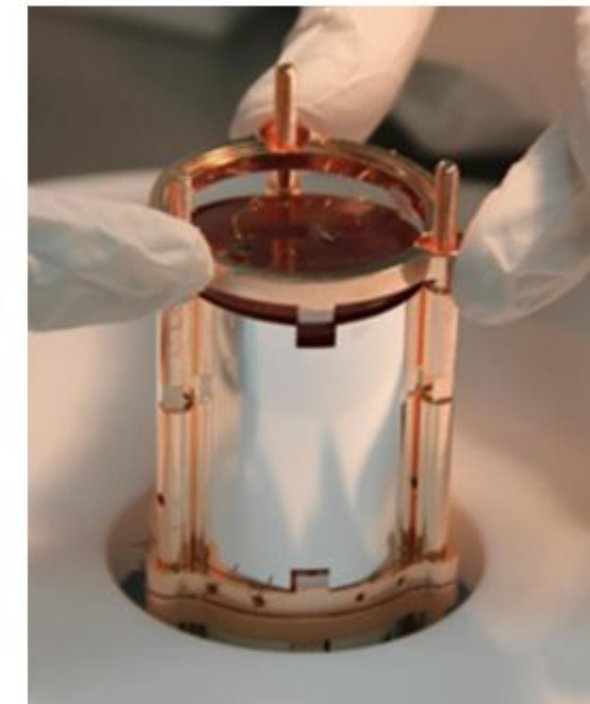
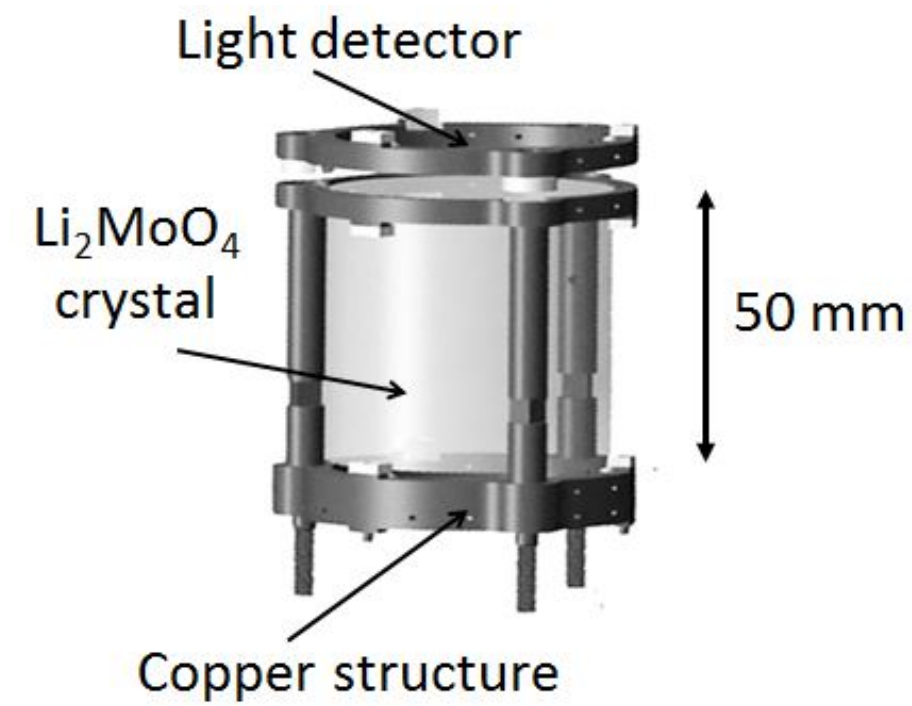
See G. Fantini,
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CUORE Preliminary
 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 5.4 \times 10^{24}$ yr (90% C.I.)

CUORE Preliminary
 $T_{1/2}^{2\nu} > 1.1 \times 10^{24}$ yr (90% C.I.)

CUPID: CUORE Upgrade with Particle ID

- Array of 1500 $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ **scintillating** bolometers
- Enriched to >95% in ^{100}Mo (250kg of ^{100}Mo)
- ^{100}Mo Q-value: 3034 keV β/γ background significantly reduced
- Exploit Particle ID using scintillation bolometer technique
 - ▶ Technique robustly demonstrated by CUPID-0 and CUPID-Mo
- Reuse CUORE cryogenic infrastructure at LNGS
- Add external muon veto



CUPID preCDR

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.09376>

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

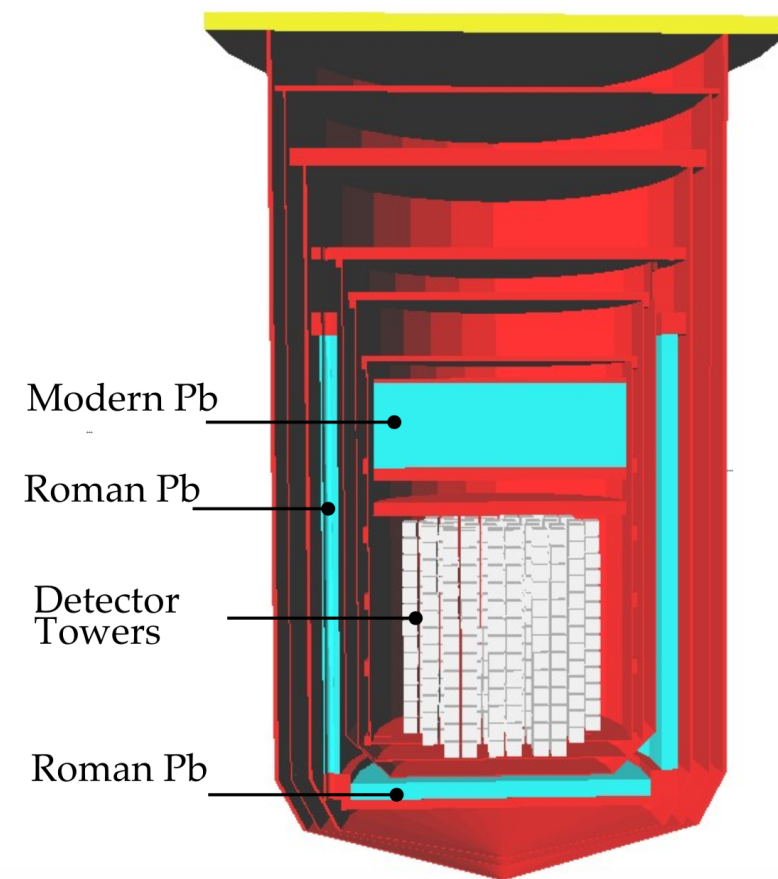
CUPID baseline goals are within the reach of existing detector technology and infrastructure

No further R&D is needed

From CUORE to CUPID

- Data driven background model shows existing technology and infrastructure compatible with CUPID baseline goals → no further R&D is needed

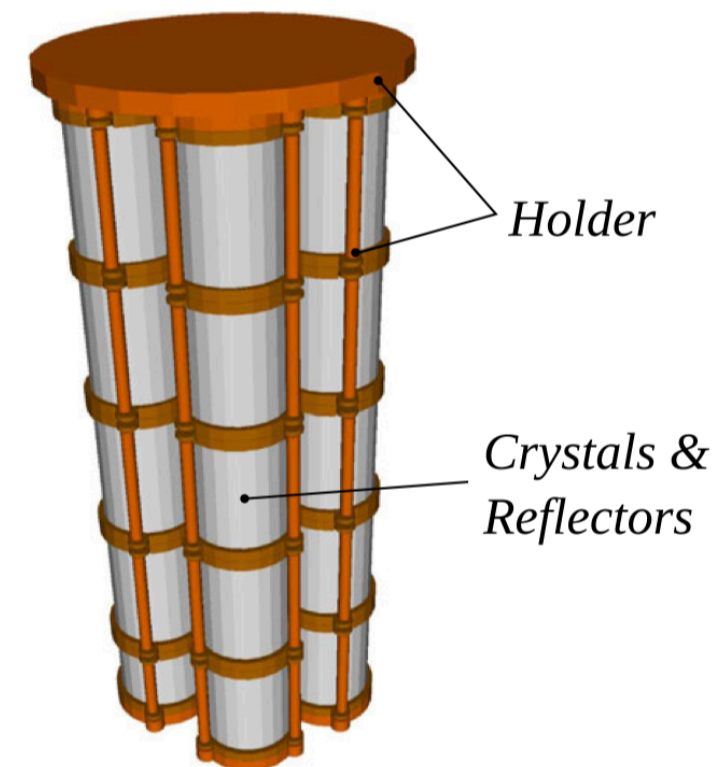
CUORE background model



Characterize β/γ background from cryogenic system and detector holders in the 3034 keV ROI

Model is fit to CUORE data

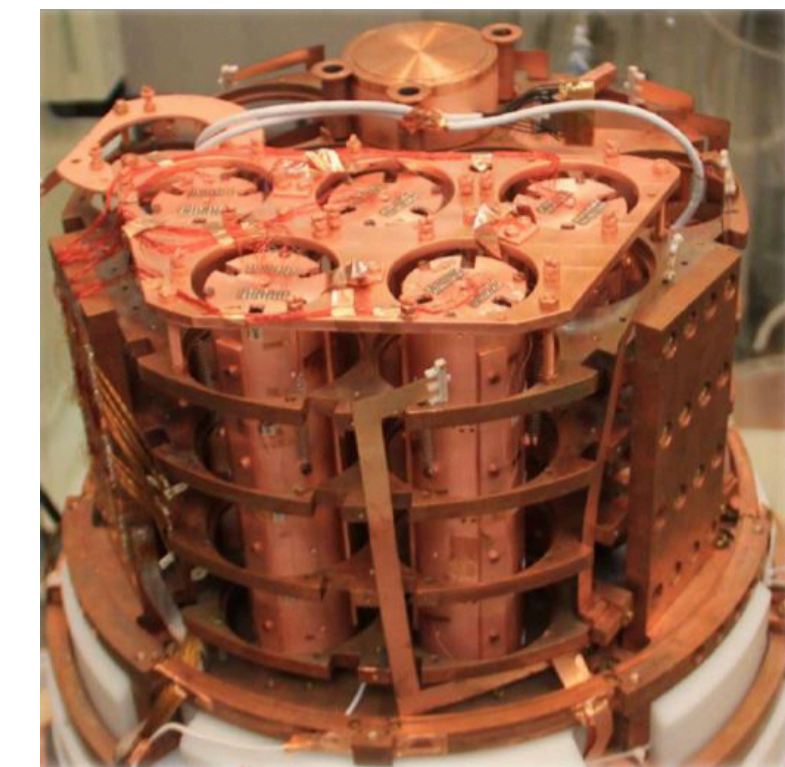
CUPID-0 background model



Alpha-rejection capable array
Confirms the β/γ background from detector holders in the 3034 keV ROI

Model is fit to CUPID-0 data

CUPID-Mo Li_2MoO_4 performance



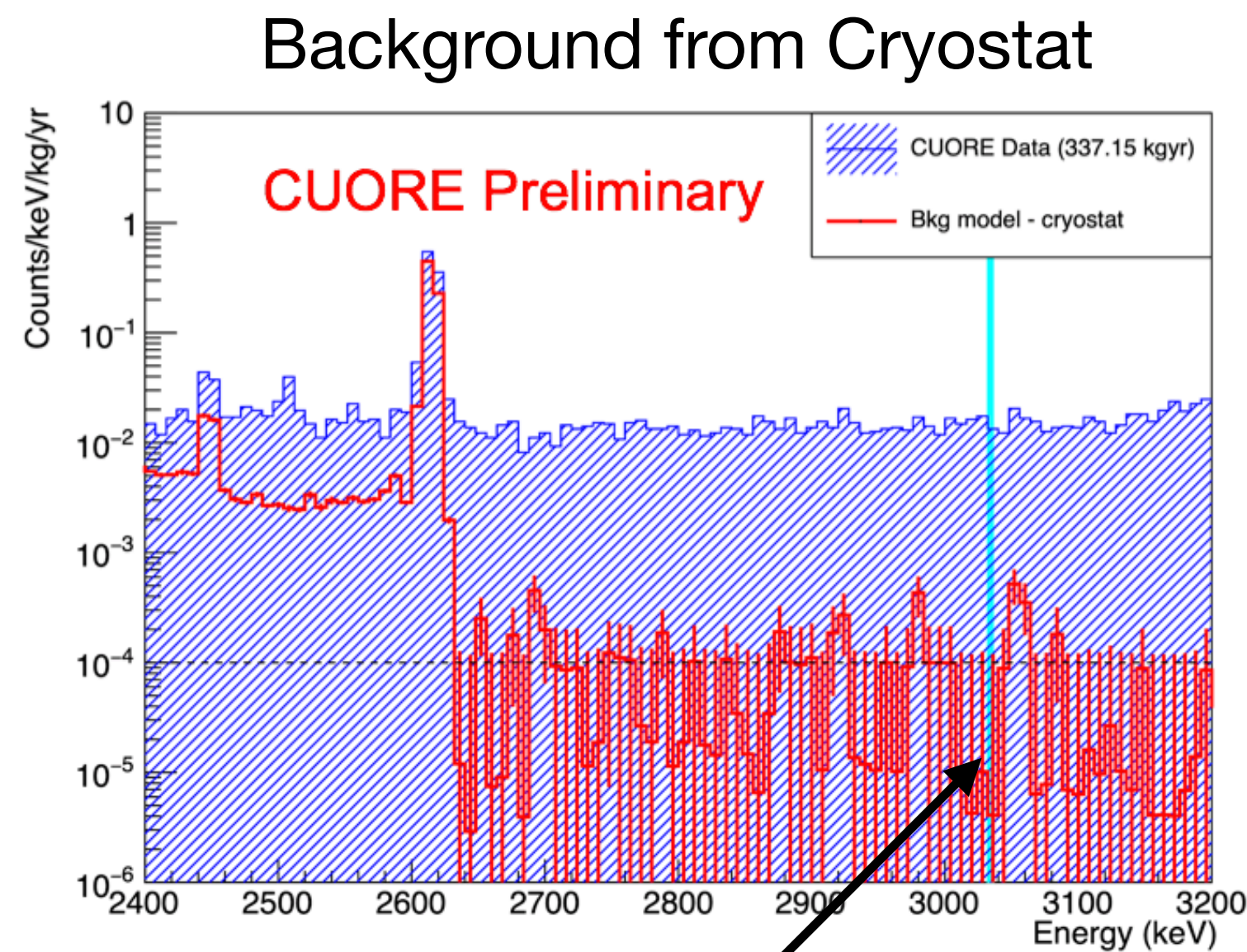
Array of large of highly enriched $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$

Data confirms:

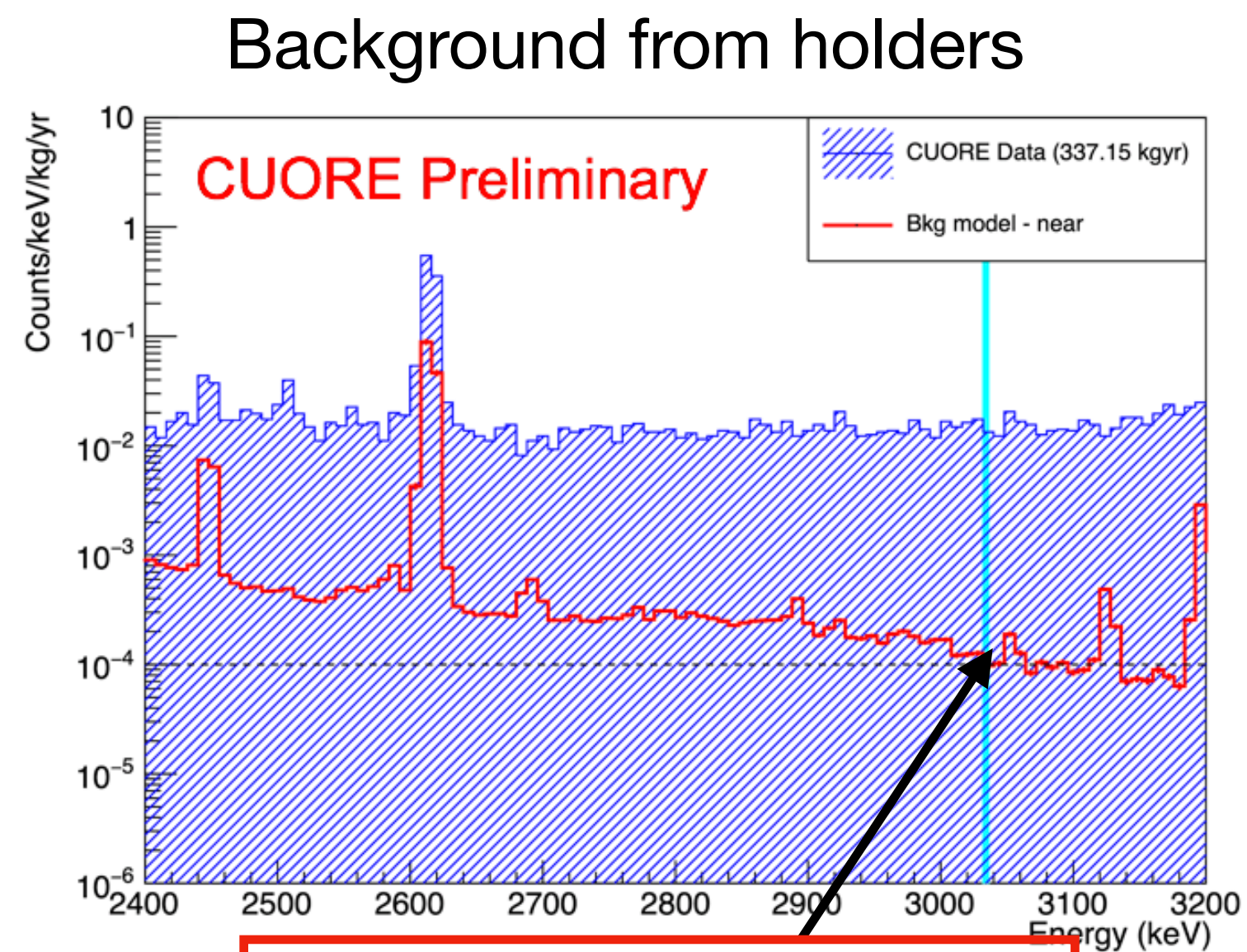
- α tagging performance
- Radiopurity of crystals
- Energy resolution

From CUORE to CUPID: CUORE

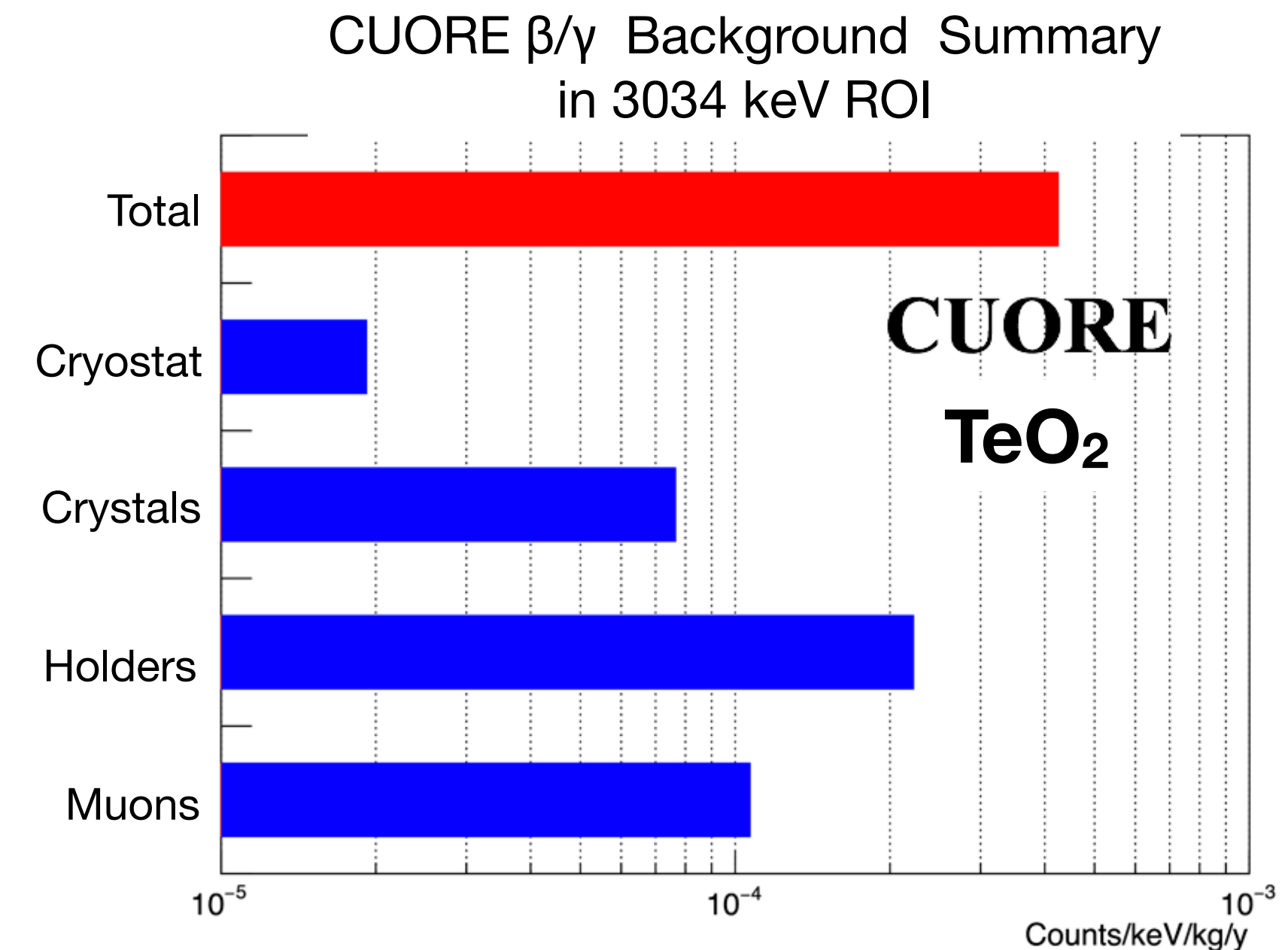
- β/γ background in TeO_2 in the ^{100}Mo region of interest (3034 keV)



$$\beta/\gamma \text{ component} < 1 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{cnts}}{(\text{keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr})}$$



$$\beta/\gamma \text{ component} \sim 2 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{cnts}}{(\text{keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr})}$$

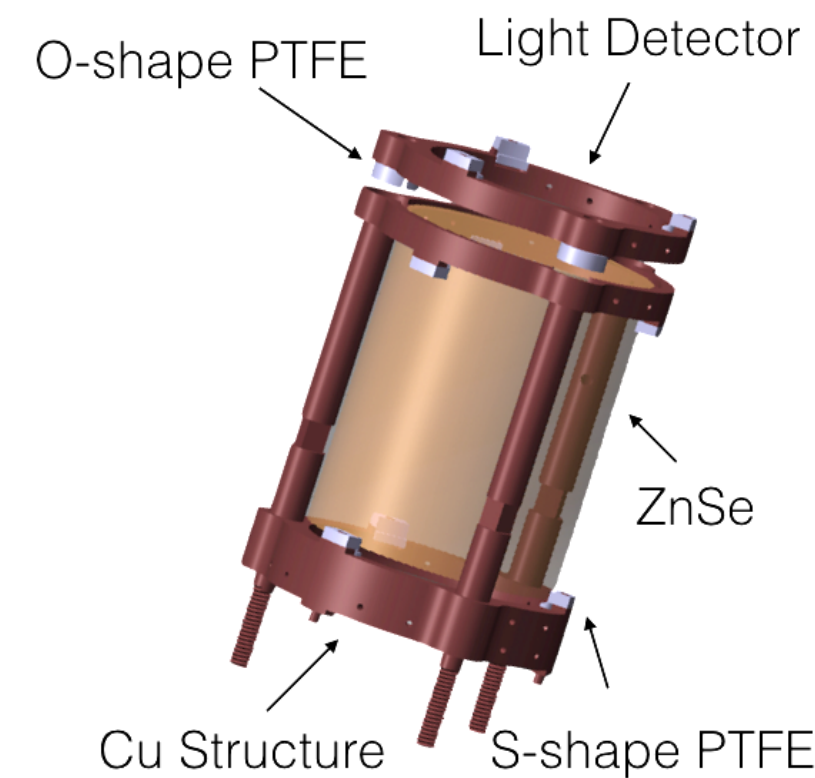
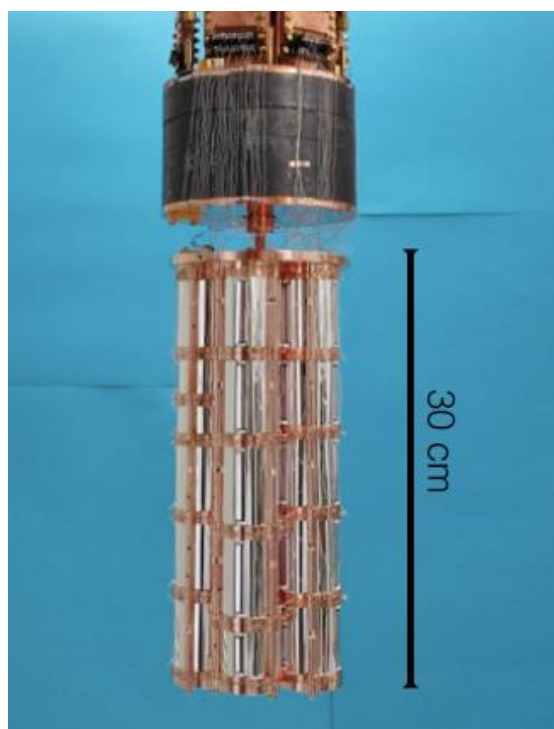


- γ interaction probability in Li_2MoO_4 is $\sim 3x$ smaller than in TeO_2 in this ROI
- Muon veto will be added for CUPID

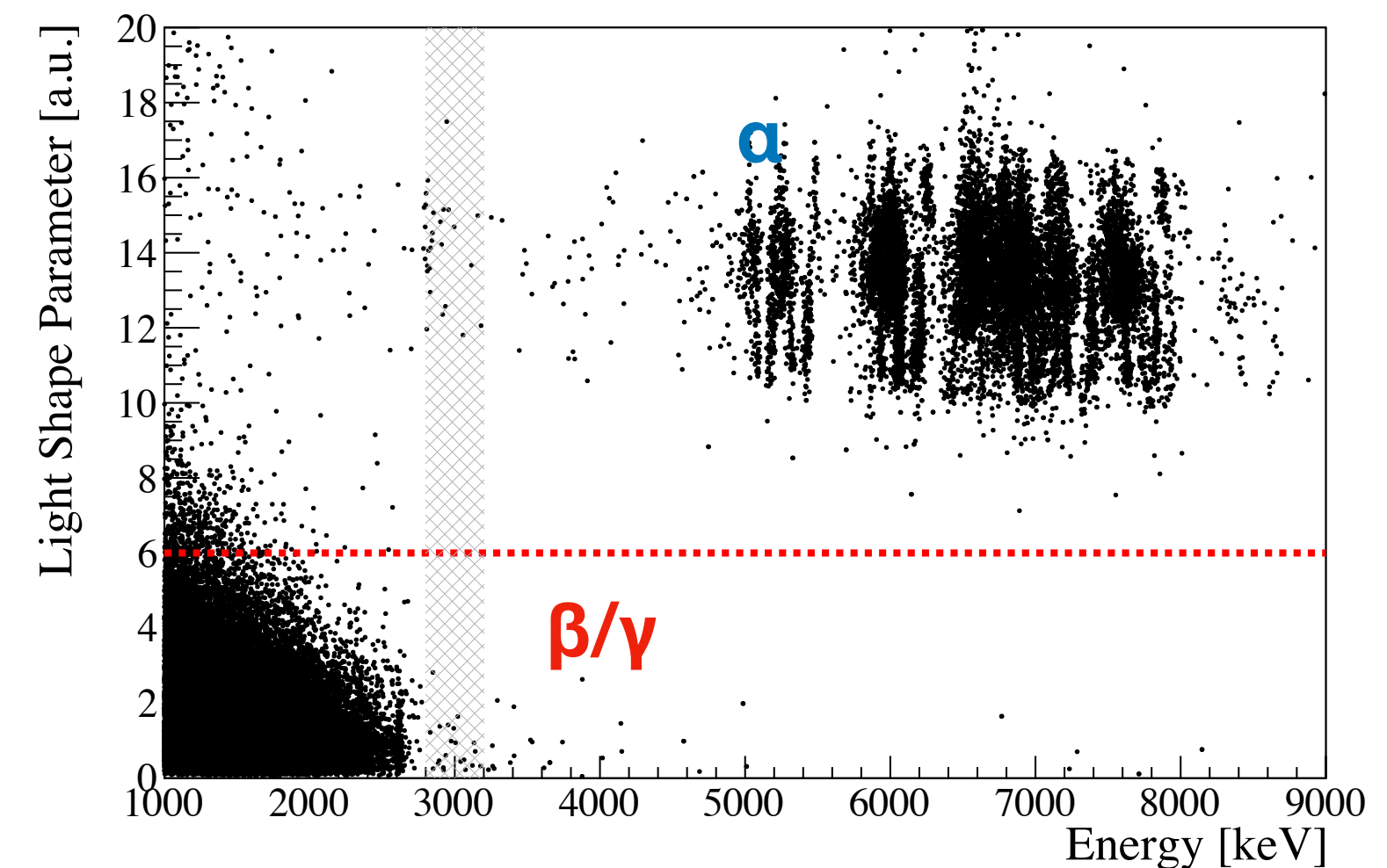
From CUORE to CUPID: CUPID-0

See I. Colantoni
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- 26 ZnSe scintillating bolometers (24 95% enriched in ^{82}Se + 2 natural)
- Ge wafers cryogenic light detectors
- ^{82}Se $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay Q-Value: 2998 keV
- Hosted in the same CUORE-0 dilution refrigerator (Hall A)



Complete alpha rejection for Energy > 2 MeV



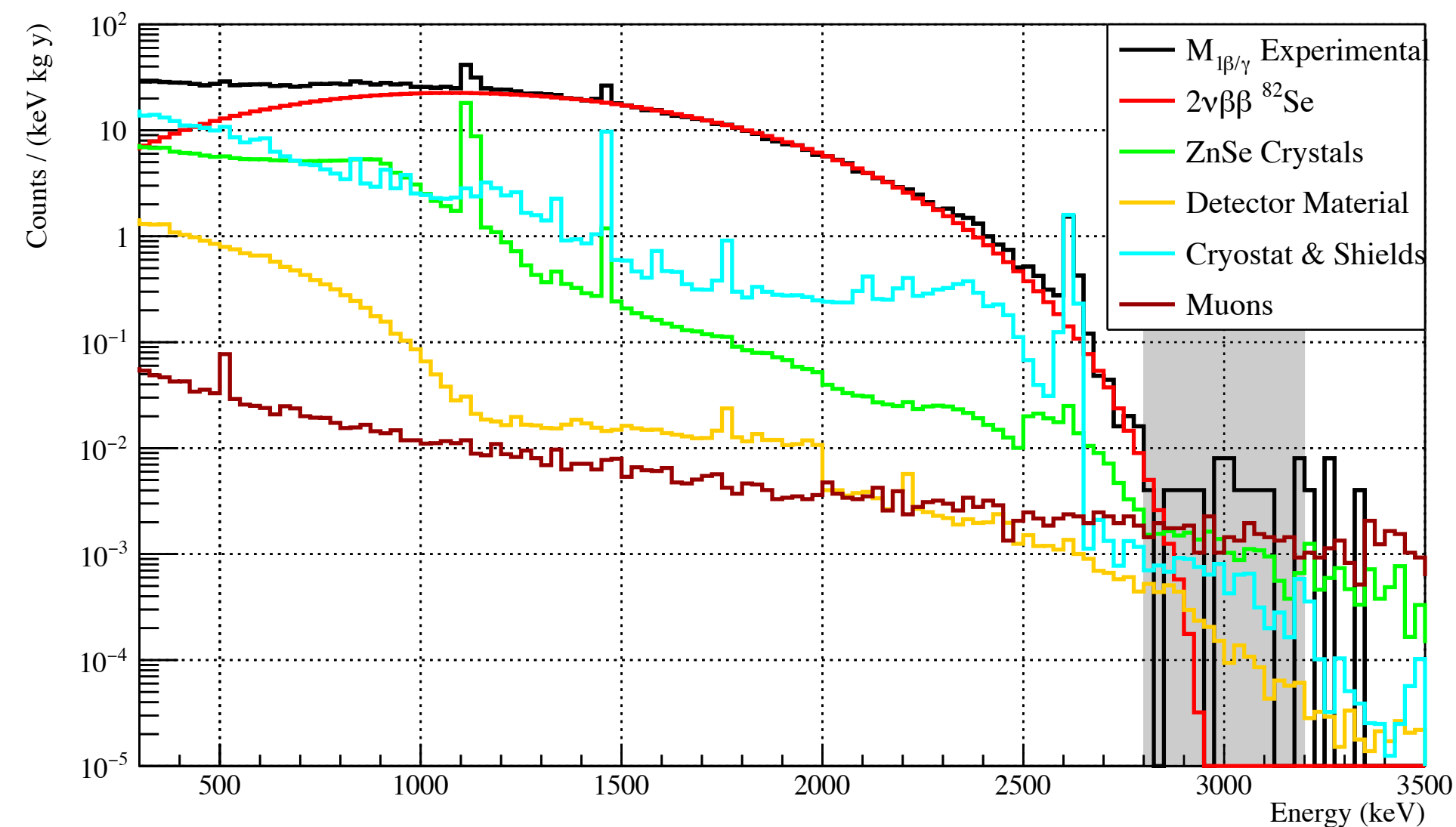
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CUPID-0 Background Model

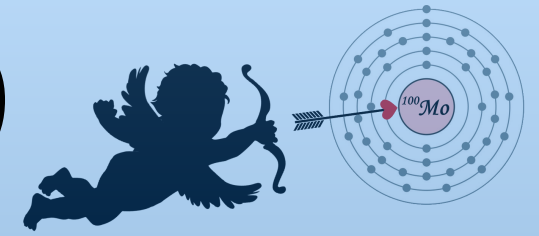
Source	ROI Background Index
ROI = 2.8 - 3.2 MeV	[10^{-4} counts/(keV·kg·y)]
$2\nu\beta\beta$ ^{82}Se	6.0 ± 0.3
ZnSe Crystals	$11.7 \pm 0.6^{+1.6}_{-0.8}$
Detector Material	$2.1 \pm 0.3^{+2.2}_{-1.0}$
Cryostat & Shields	$5.9 \pm 1.3^{+7.2}_{-2.9}$
Muons	$15.3 \pm 1.3 \pm 2.5$
Total	$41 \pm 2^{+9}_{-4}$

[Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 583 \(2019\)](#)

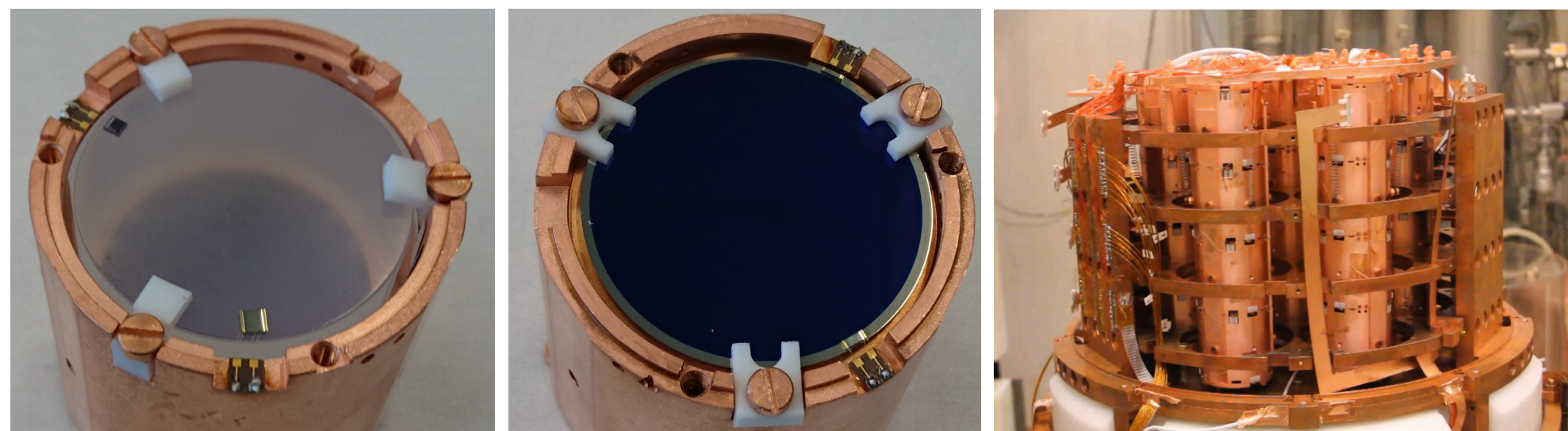
- Li_2MoO_4 radiopurity is 10x better than ZnSe
- CUPID detector holder will adopt reduced mass design
- CUORE/CUPID cryostat is cleaner than CUPID-0 cryostat
- Muon tagging with external veto



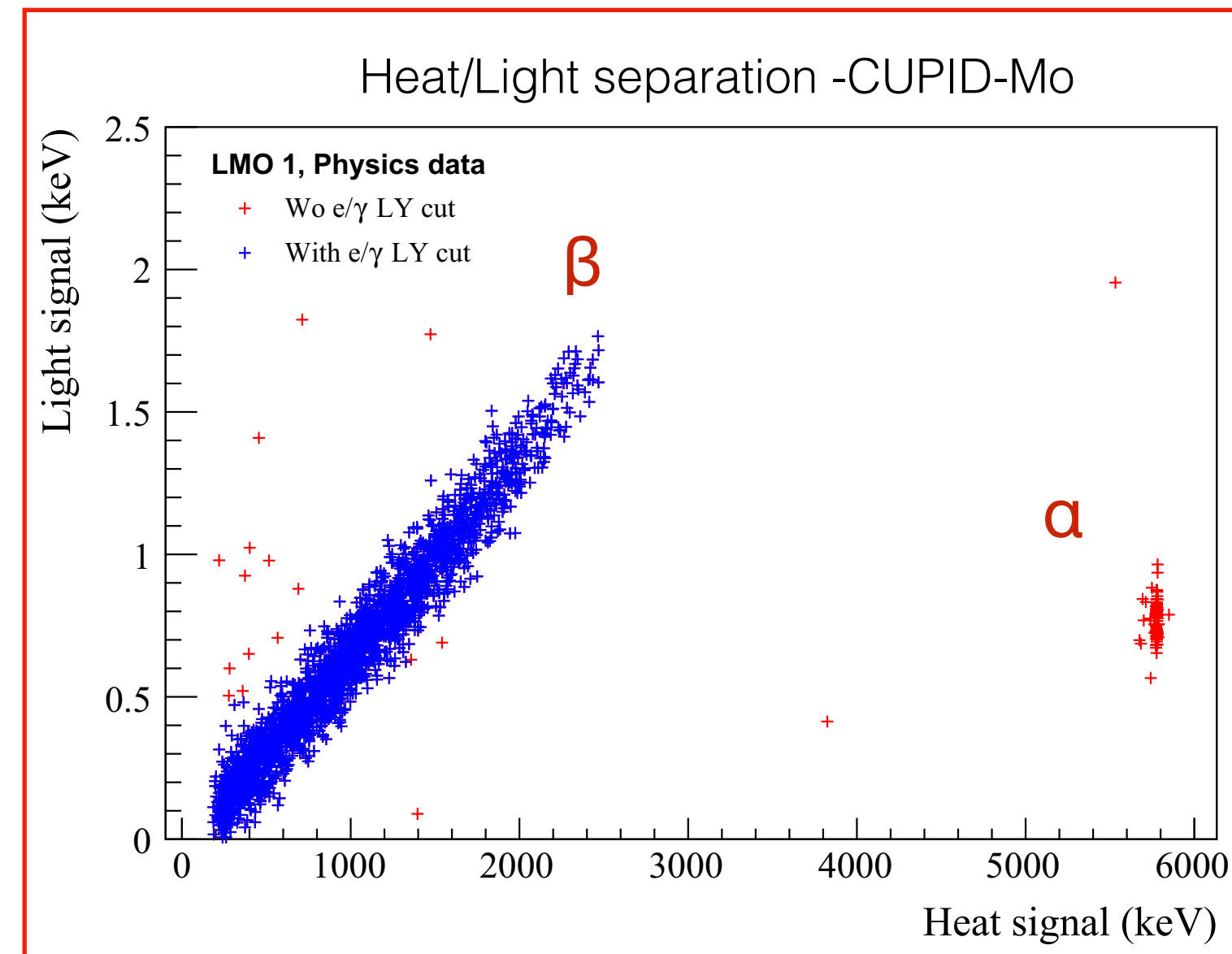
From CUORE to CUPID: CUPID-Mo



- Array of 20 $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ detectors ~ 210 g each
- Enriched to 97% in ^{100}Mo (2.26 kg ^{100}Mo)
- Hosted in Modane underground lab 4800 m.w.e. overburden in EDELWEISS cryogenic system (20 mK)
- Ge wafer light detectors



- Physics data taking March 2019 - June 2020
- All $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ bolometers and 19 light detectors operational
- Energy resolution @ $Q_{\beta\beta}$ (3034 keV): ~ 8 keV FWHM (operating temp = 20 mK)
- Good uniformity and stable performance (suitable for larger arrays in CUPID)

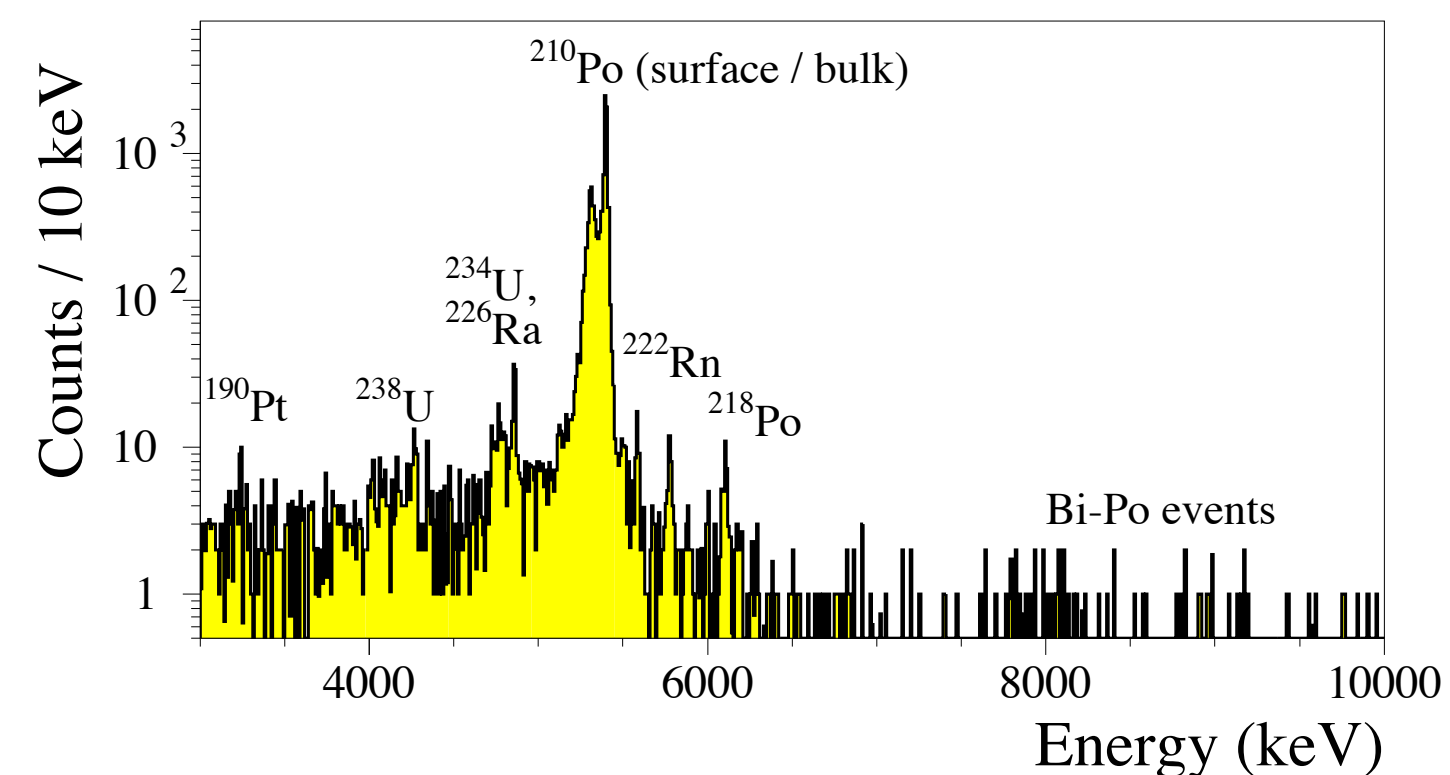


Alpha Rejection

- Light yield for β/γ events is 5x greater than for α particles
 - **> 99.9% α separation**
 - **> 99.9% β/γ acceptance**

Meets the requirement for CUPID

See D. Poda
Poster #404 Session 4



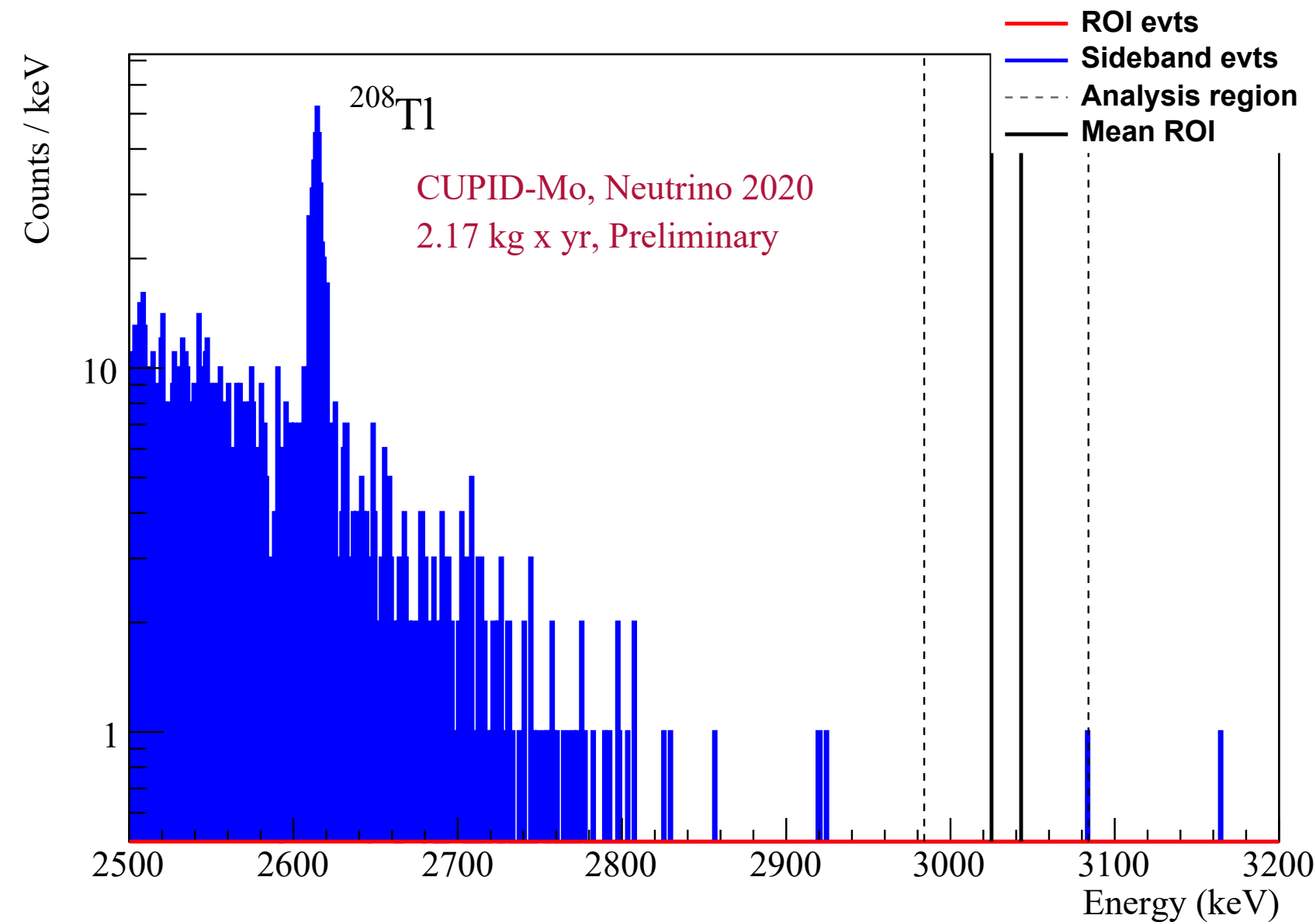
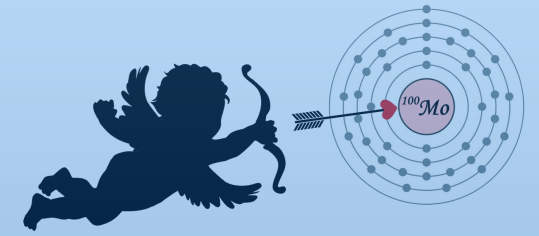
Excellent Radiopurity

^{210}Po : $100 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$

$^{238}\text{U}/^{232}\text{Th}$: $(0.3 - 1) \mu\text{Bq/kg}$

Meets the requirement for CUPID

CUPID-Mo: Results



- CUPID-Mo has a vibrant physics program
- New world-leading limit on $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay of ^{100}Mo

CUPID-Mo Preliminary

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.4 \times 10^{24} \text{ yr (90\% c.i.) (stat. + syst.)}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} < 310 - 540 \text{ meV}$$

See **B. Schmidt**
Poster #419 Session 3

- Background index is very low despite conditions not optimized for $0\nu\beta\beta$

CUPID-Mo Preliminary

$$\text{BI} : (4 \pm 2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ cnts/keV} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{yr}$$

See **P. Loaiza**
Poster #418 Session 2

See also

T. Dixon

Poster #382 Session 4

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Poster #374 Session 4

- High precision measurement of $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay of ^{100}Mo using CUPID-Mo technology

$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = [7.12_{-0.14}^{+0.18}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.10(\text{syst.})] \times 10^{18} \text{ yr}$$

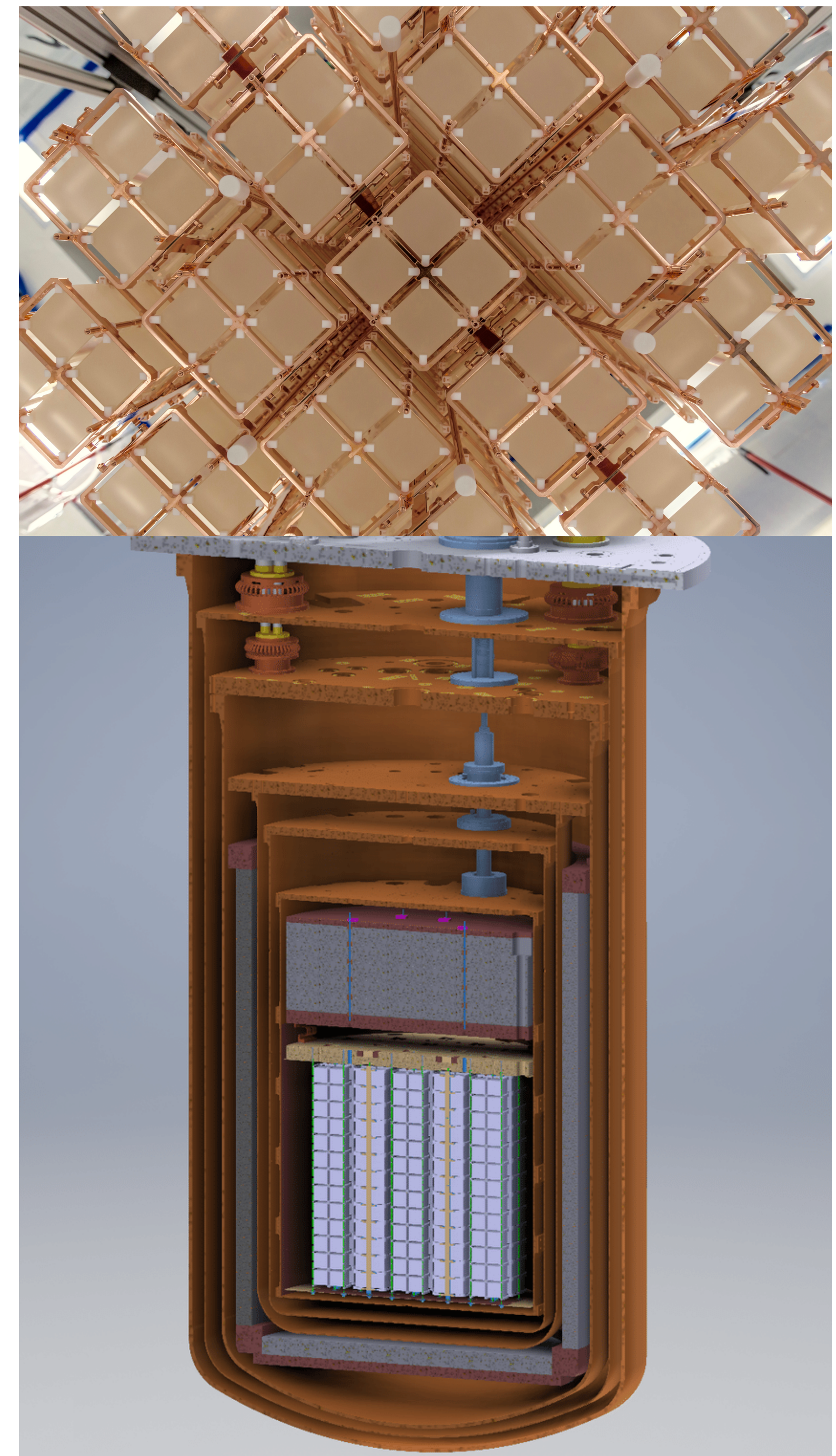
See **V. Singh**

Poster #525 Session 2

arXiv: 1912.07272

Summary

- The era of tonne-scale cryogenic bolometers has started
- The CUORE physics program is ongoing and will continue in parallel with preparations for CUPID
- CUPID baseline sensitivity: $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} : 10^{27} yr$ $m_{\beta\beta} : 10 - 20 meV$
- CUPID can achieve this with existing detector technology and infrastructure
 - ☑ CUPID-0 and CUPID-Mo robustly demonstrate the alpha rejection technique
 - ☑ Residual β/γ background in ^{100}Mo ROI meets the requirements
 - ☑ Radio-purity and bolometric performance of large, highly enriched $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals demonstrated in CUPID-Mo
- The future is *bright* for next-generation cryogenic bolometers

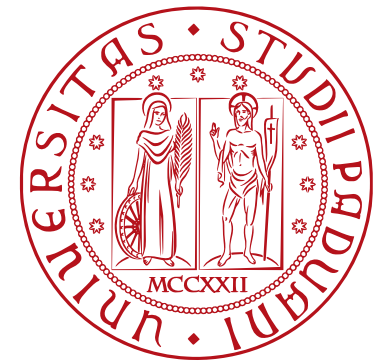


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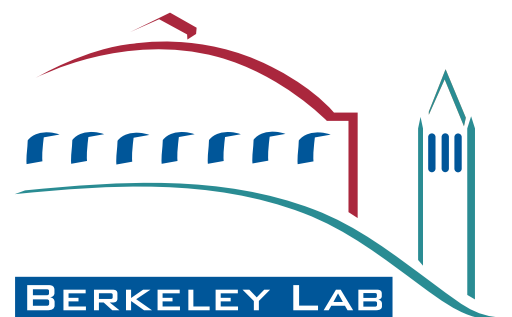
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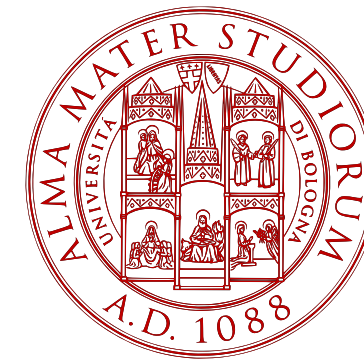


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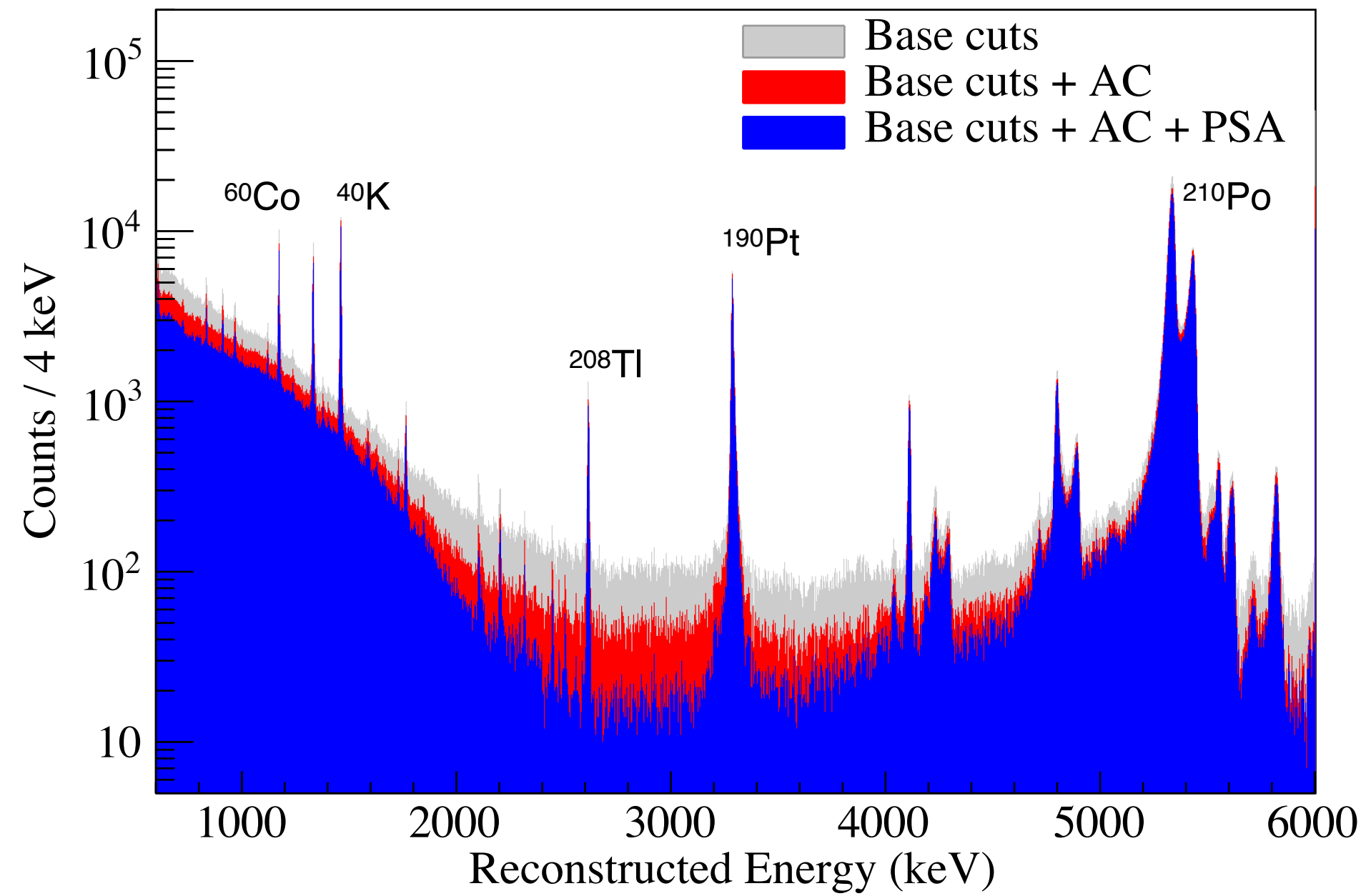
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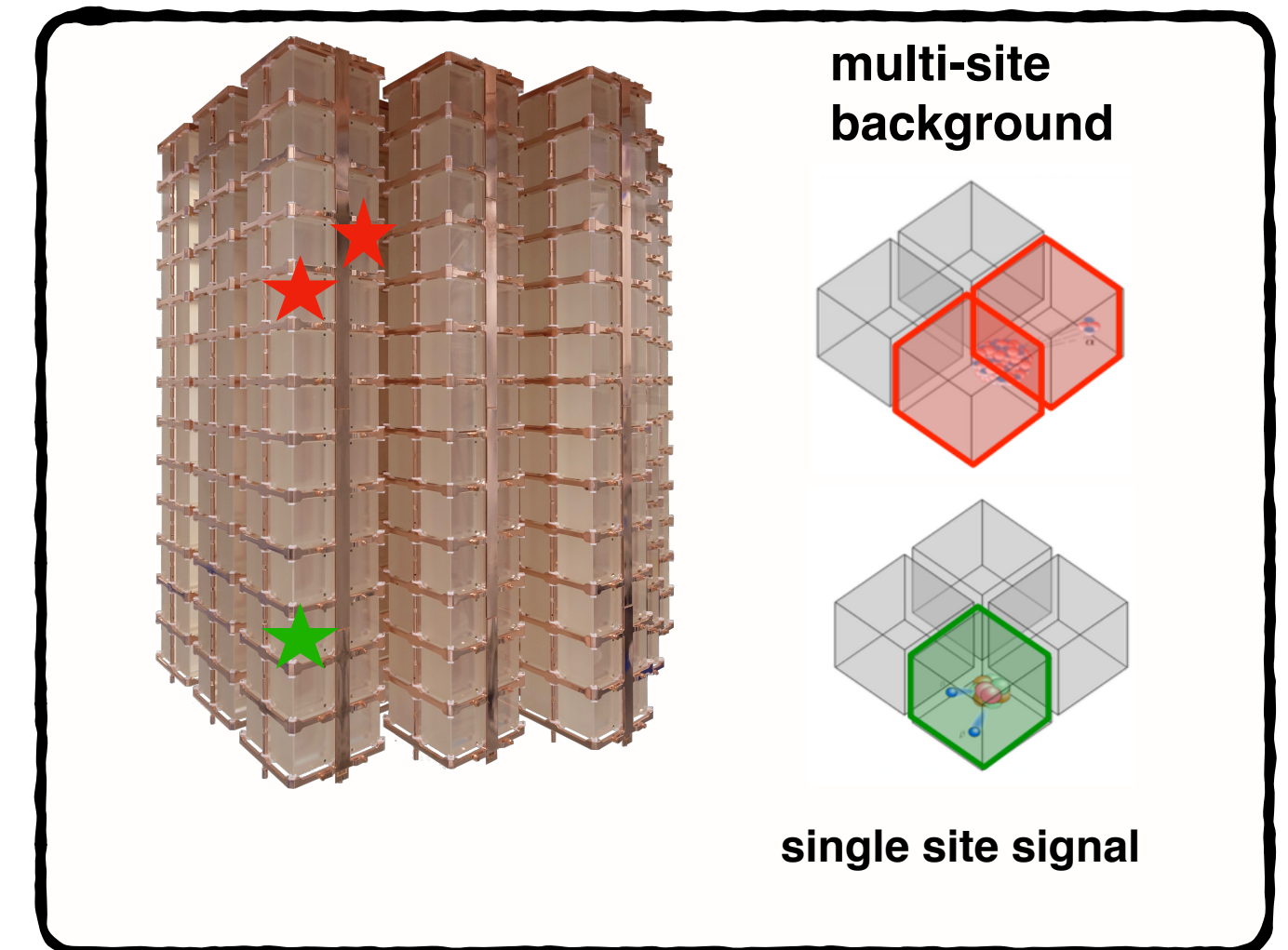


CUORE Event Selection



- Base Cuts: basic data cleaning, remove noisy periods, reconstruction etc

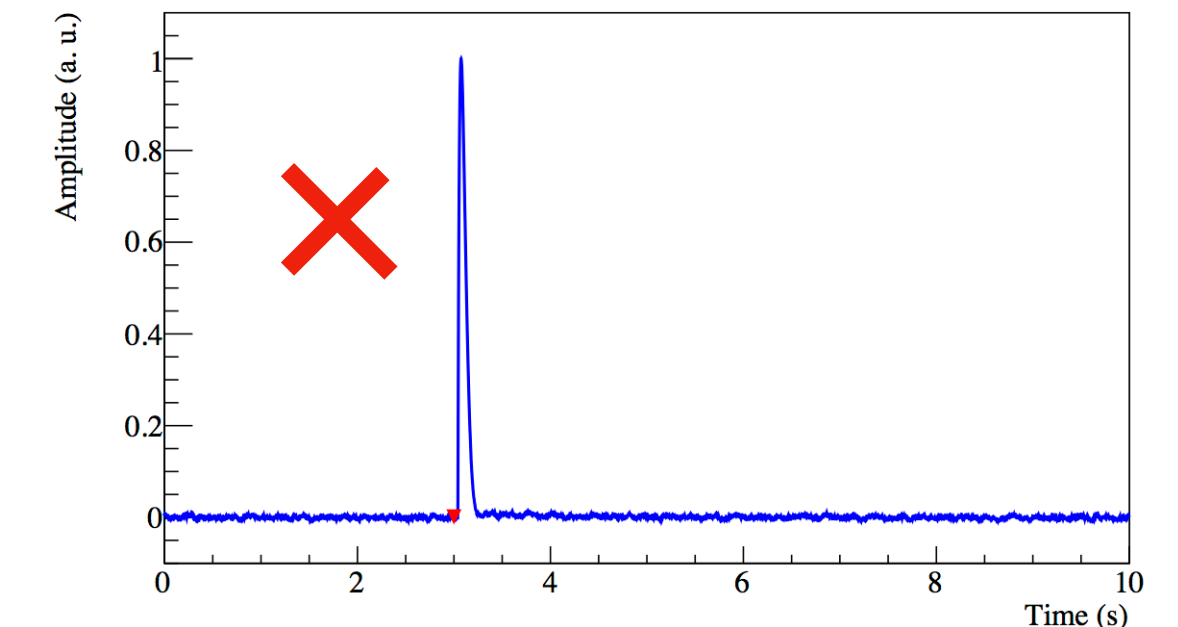
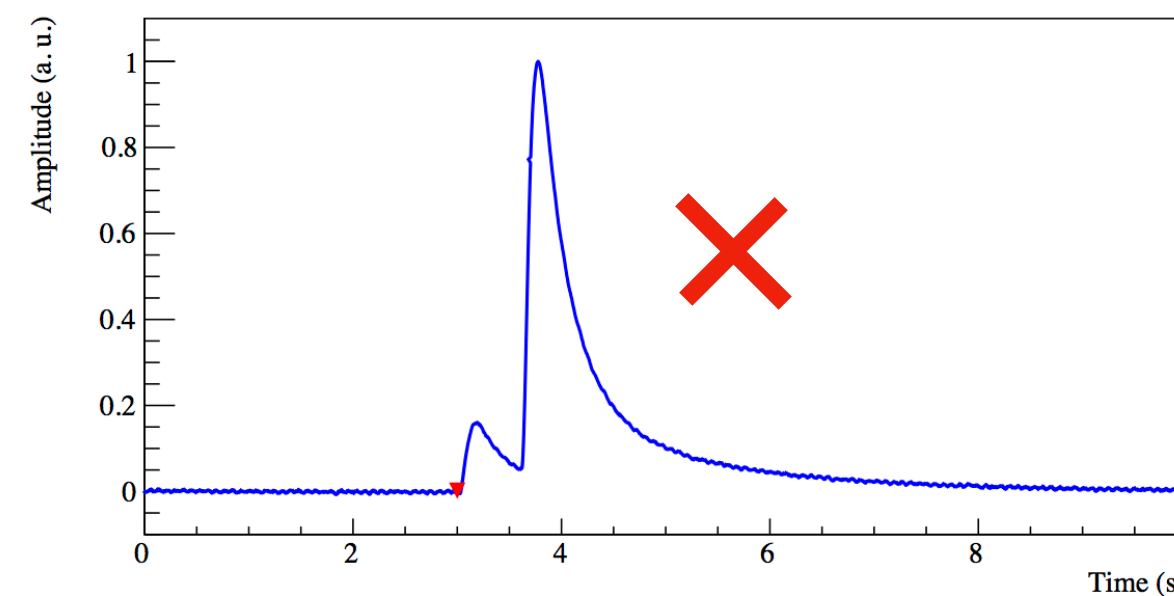
- Anti-coincidence Cut



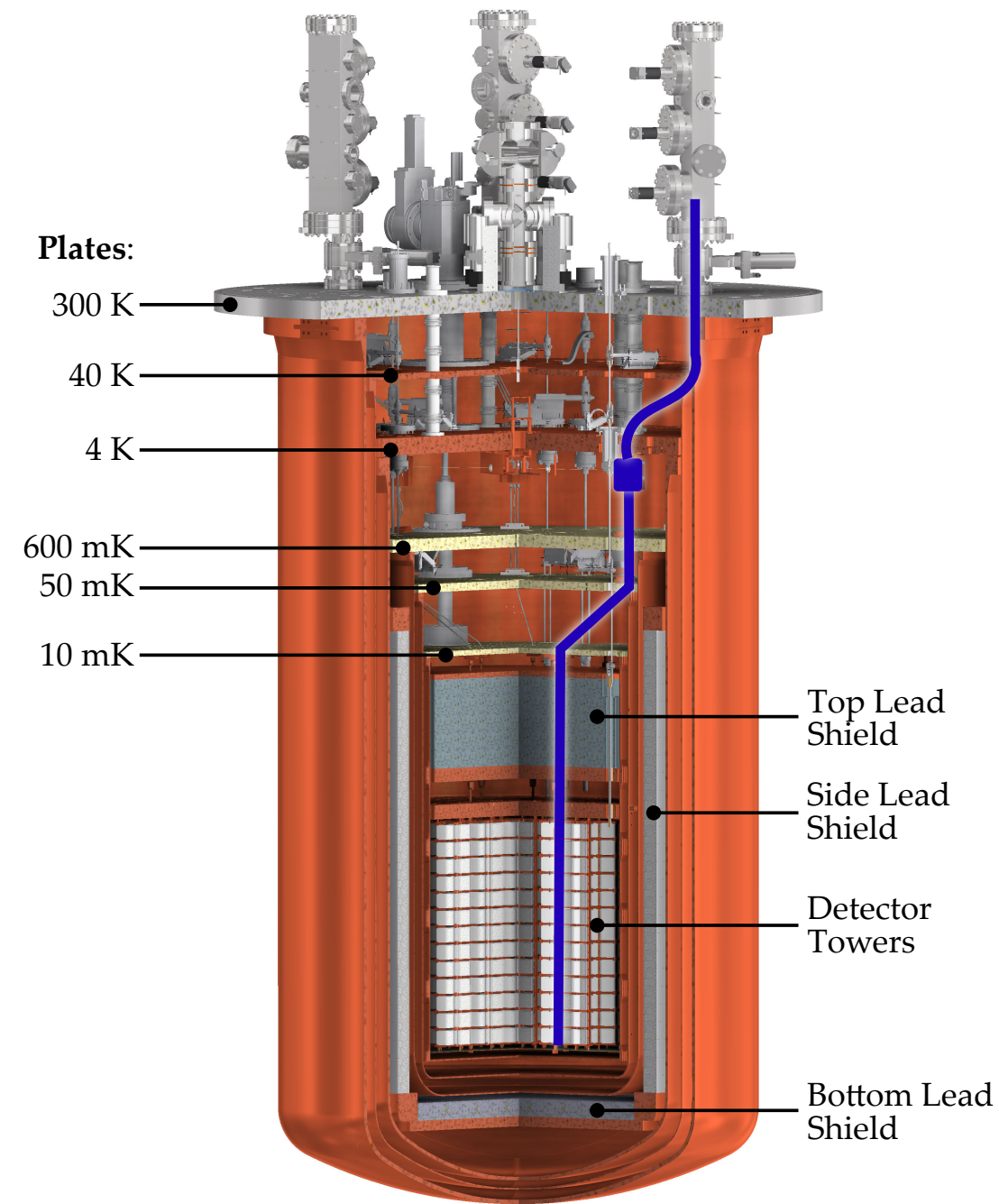
Selection Efficiencies

Reconstruction Efficiency	$(95.802 \pm 0.003) \%$
Anti-coincidence	$(98.7 \pm 0.1) \%$
Pulse shape analysis	$(92.6 \pm 0.1) \%$
All w/o containment	$(87.5 \pm 0.2) \%$
$0\nu\beta\beta$ containment	$(88.35 \pm 0.09) \%$
Total	$(77.3 \pm 0.2) \%$

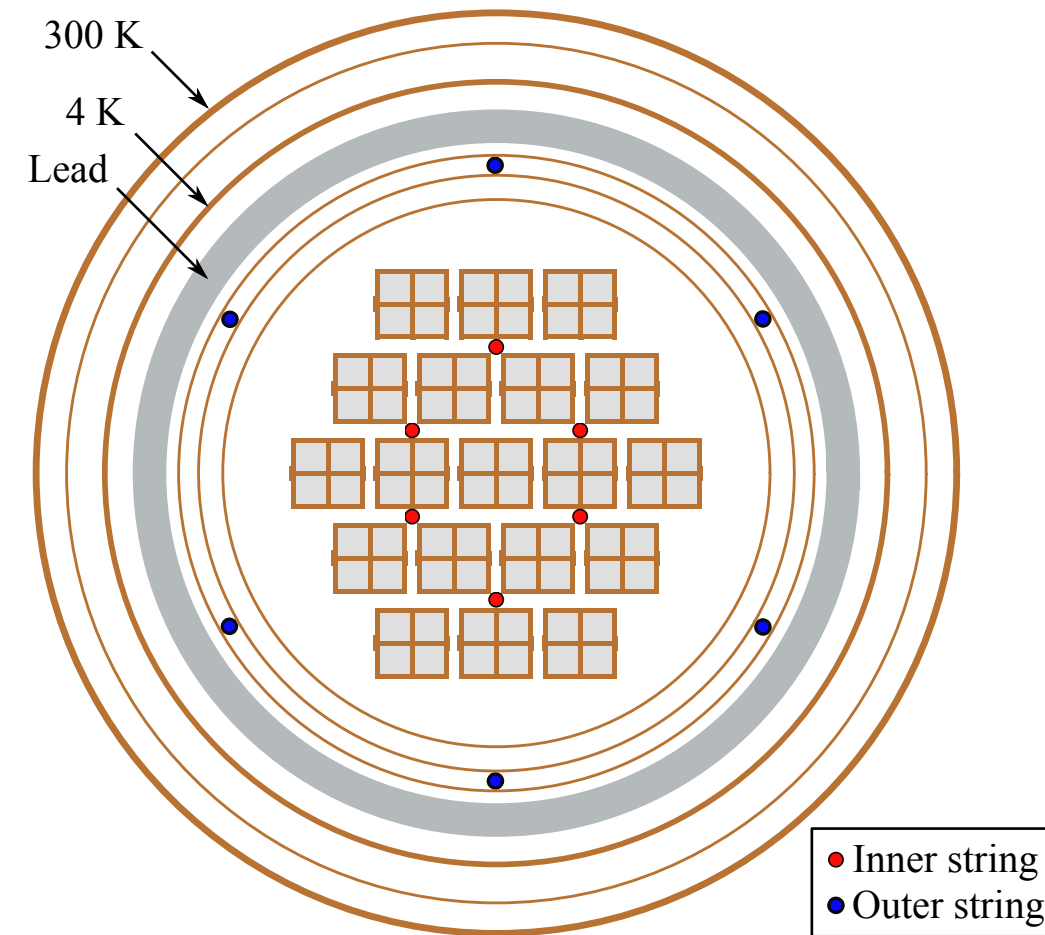
- Pulse shape analysis (PSA)



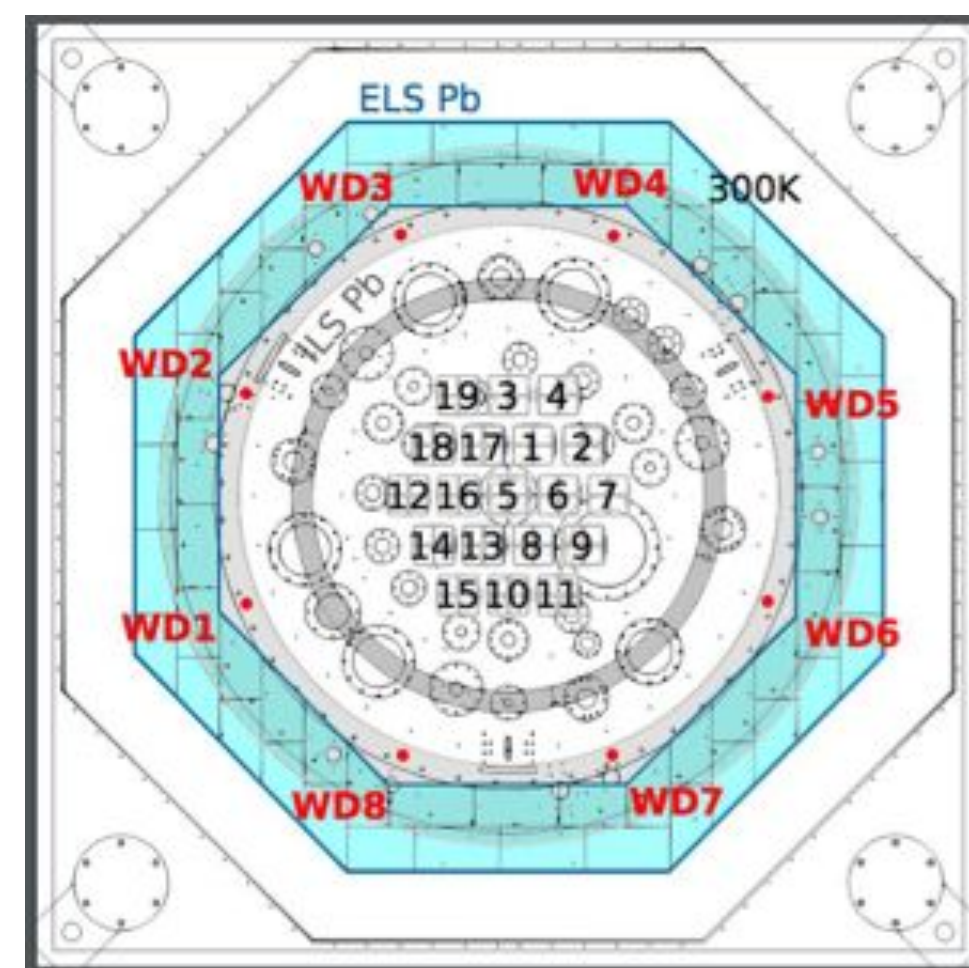
Detector calibration systems



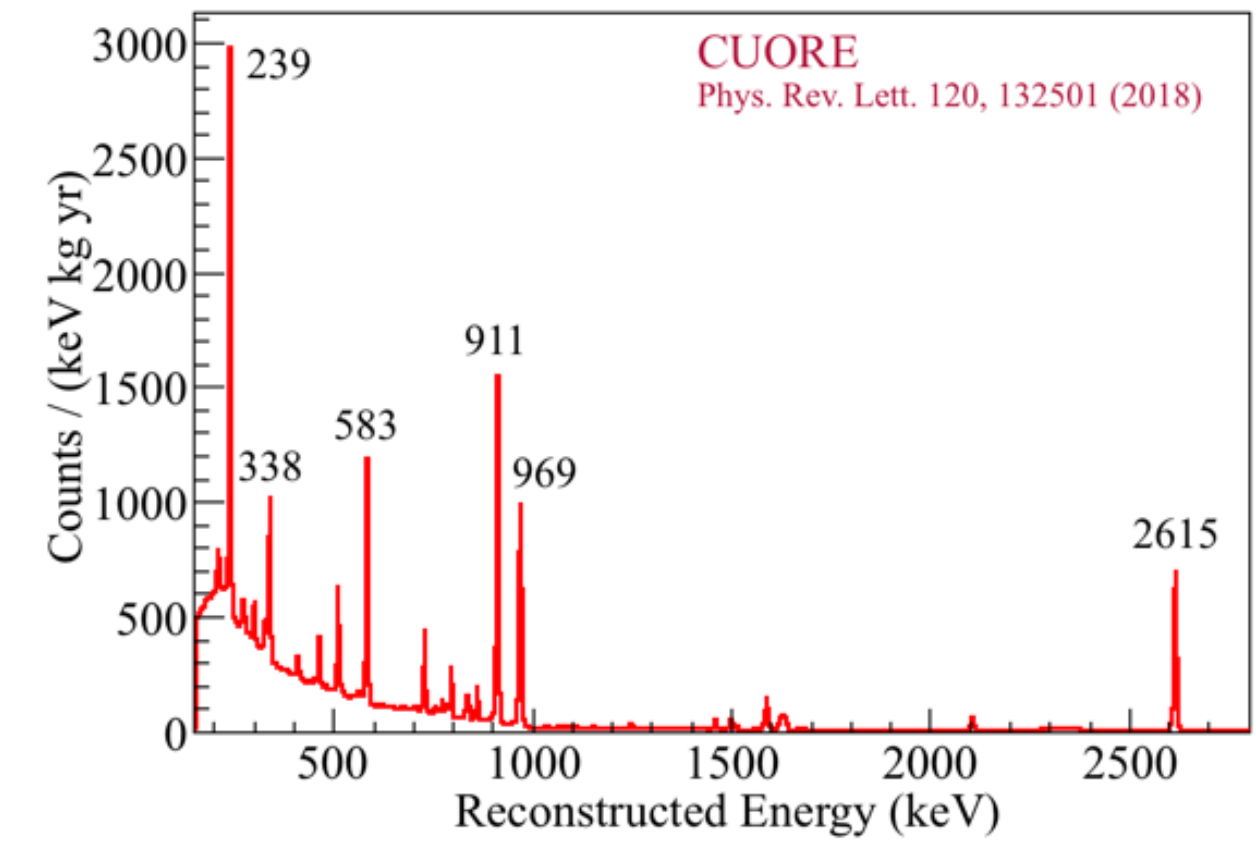
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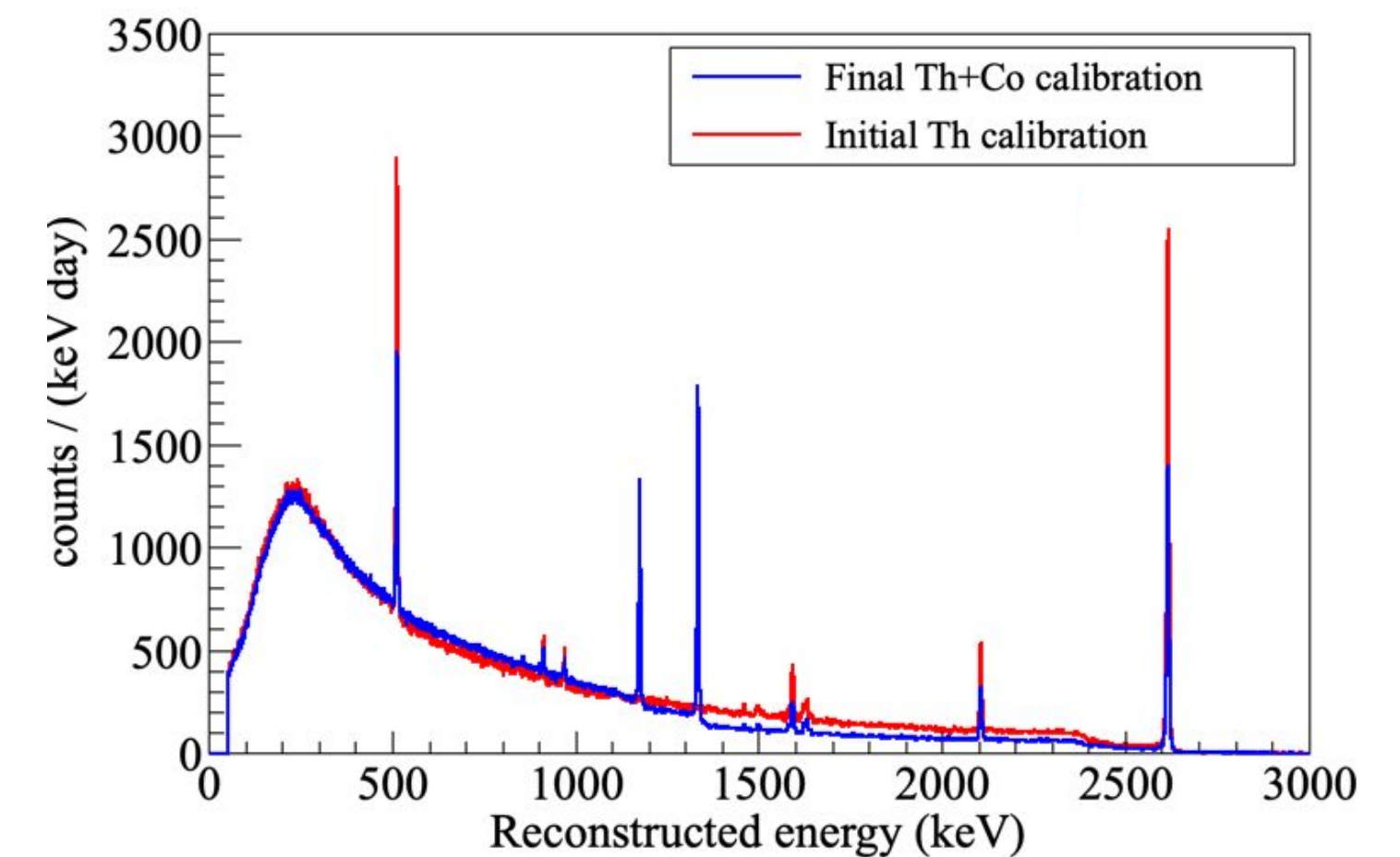
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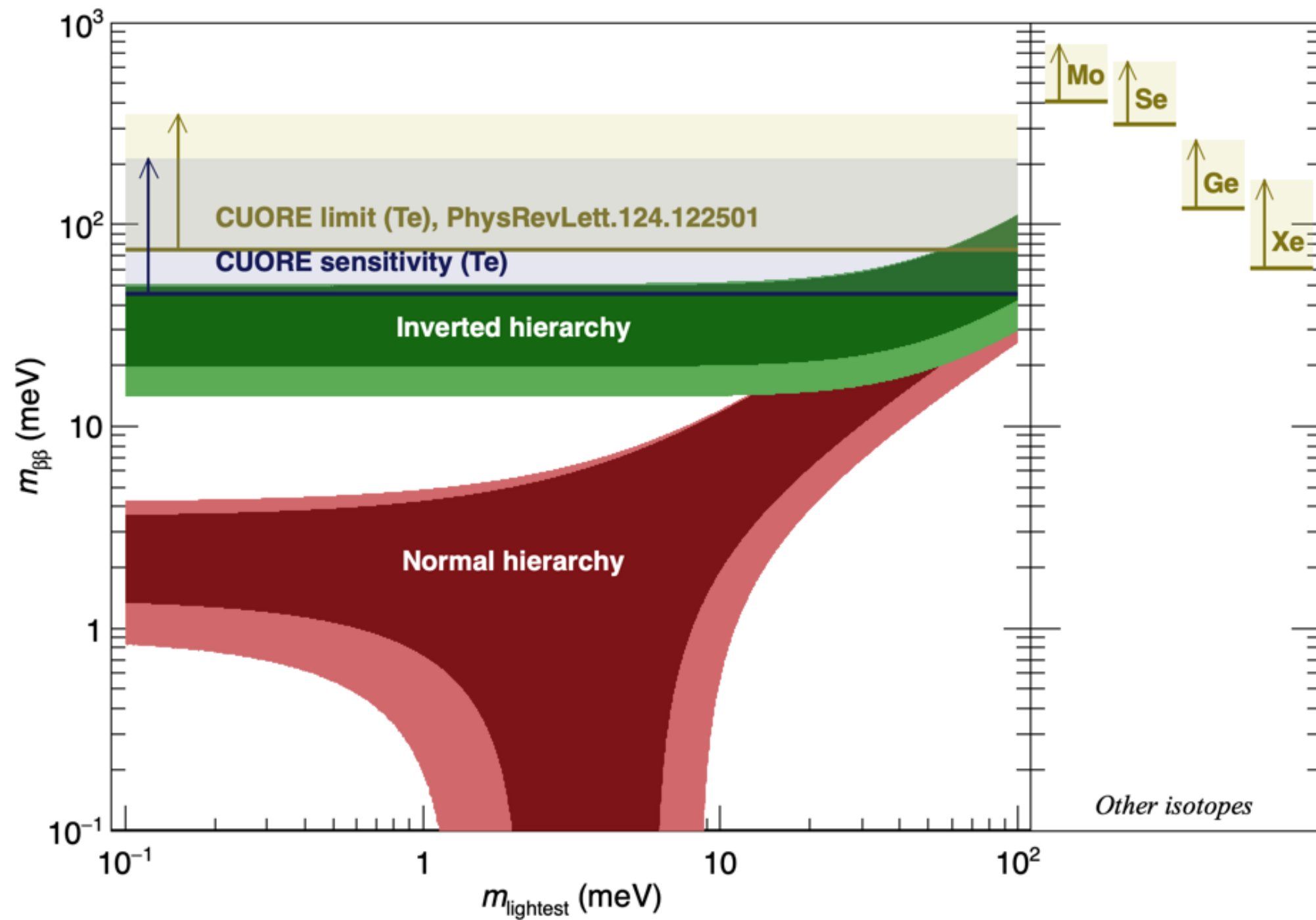
Th-232 strings deployed internally



Th-232/60-Co strings deployed externally



CUORE Interpretation NME Models



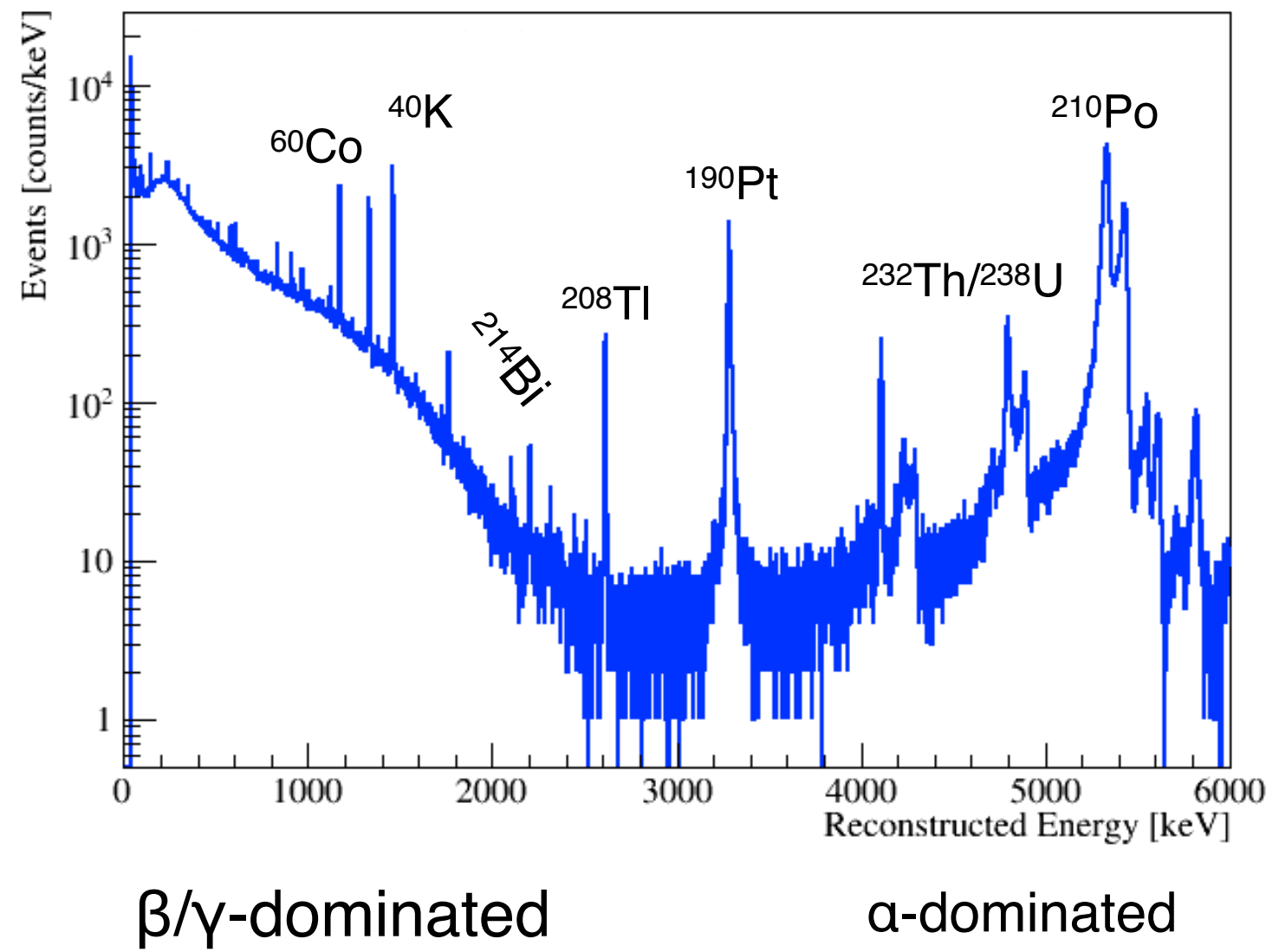
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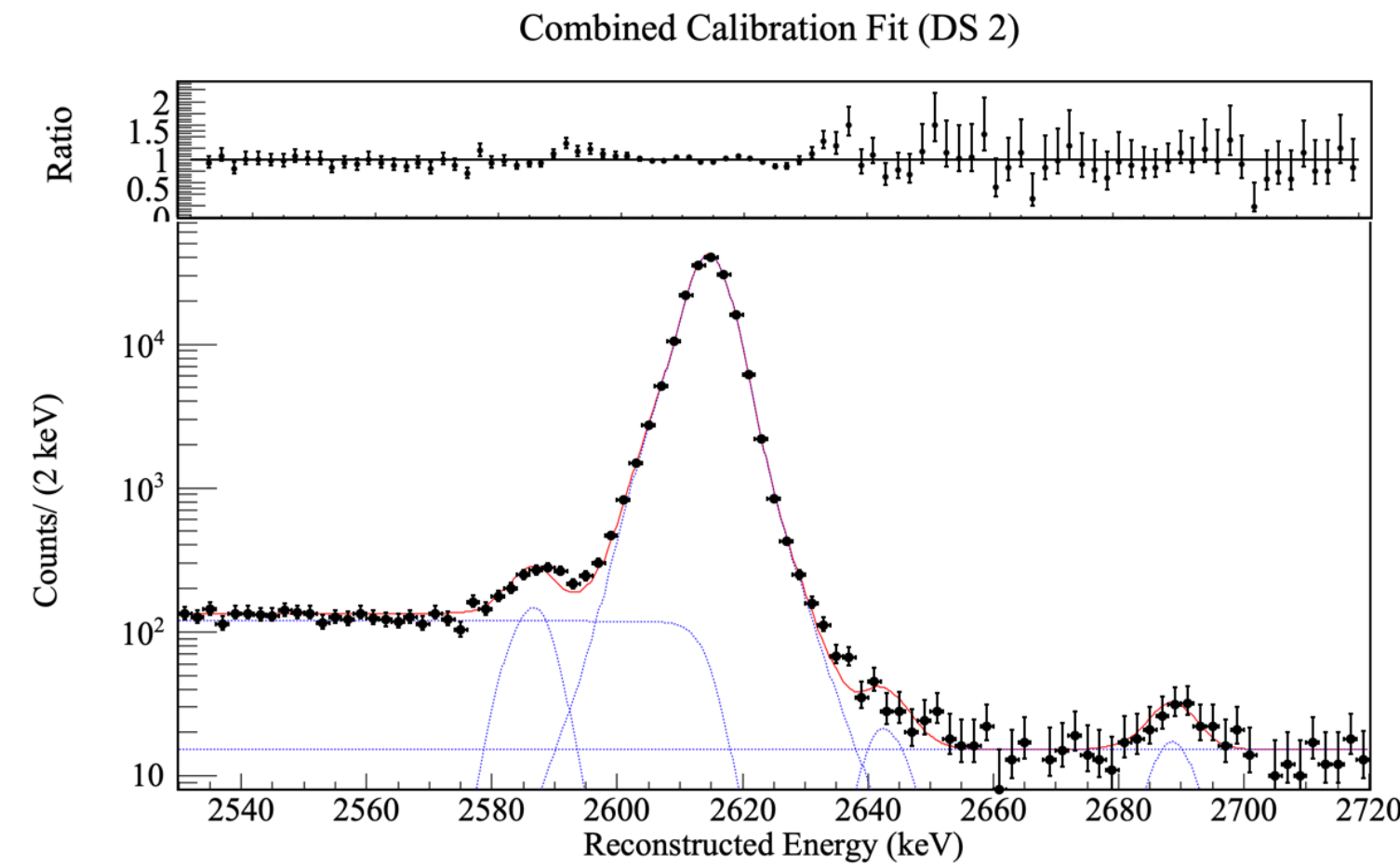
$$m_{\beta\beta} < 75 - 350 \text{ meV}$$

CUORE Detector Performance

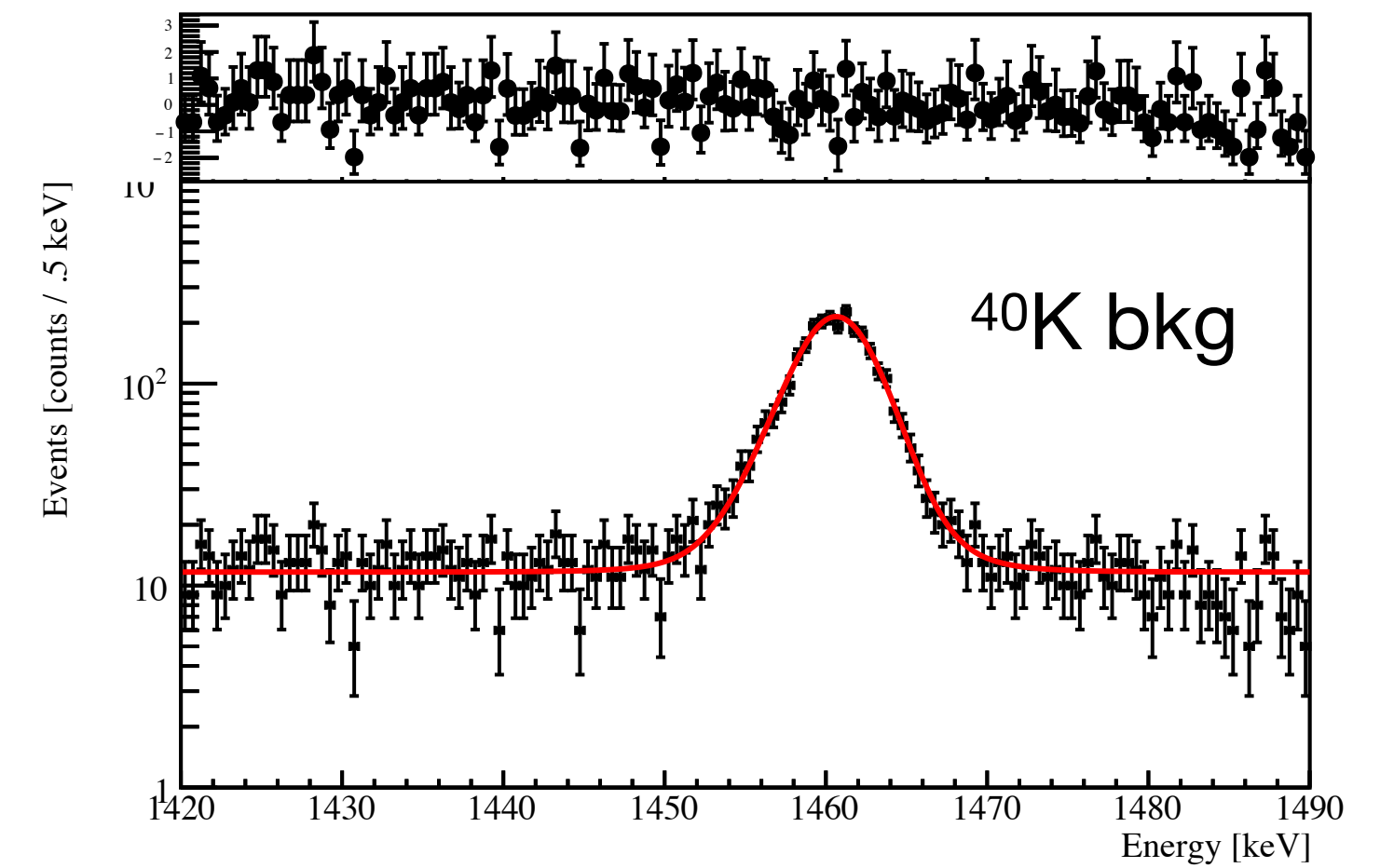
Physics Spectrum (375.2 kg yr exposure)



- Detector response function determined for 2615 keV line in calibration data



- Fit to prominent lines in the background data to determine energy bias and resolution vs. energy



- Effective energy resolution at $Q_{\beta\beta}$: 7.0 ± 0.3 keV (exposure weighted harmonic mean)
- Energy scale bias: <0.7 keV

