

# Status of COSINE experiment



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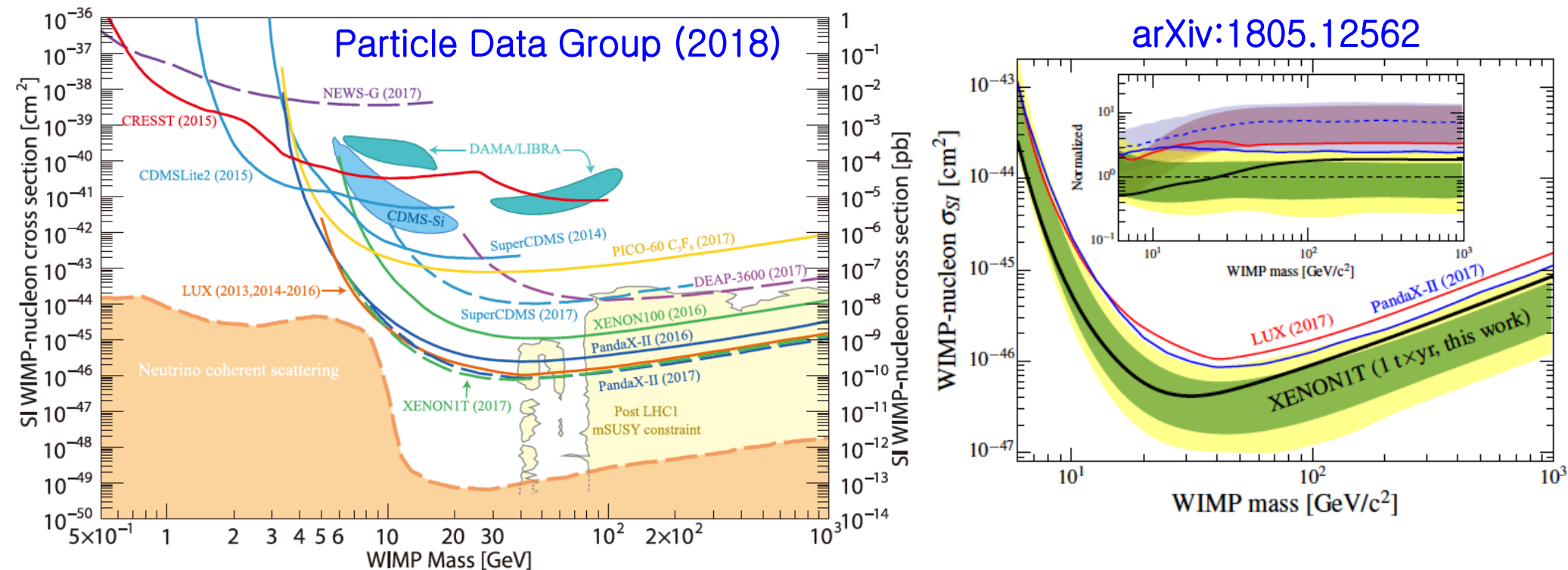
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# Current status of direct dark matter searches



- No sign of WIMP dark matter down to  $4 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$  @ 30 GeV
- Exploring low-mass dark matter
- **Unresolved signal from DAMA**

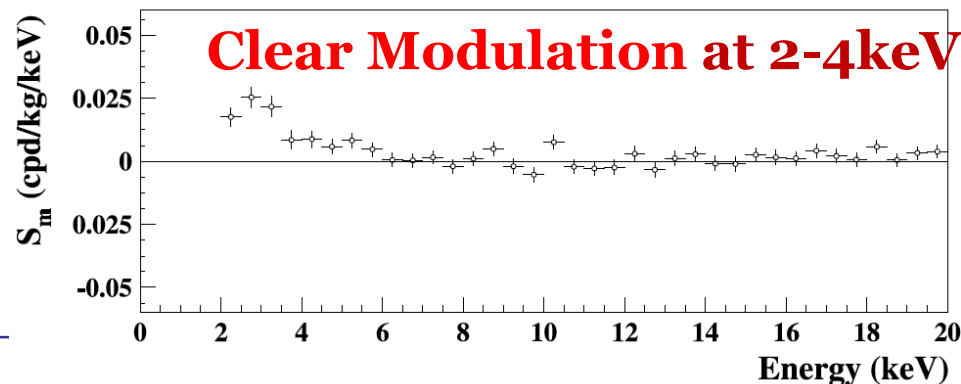
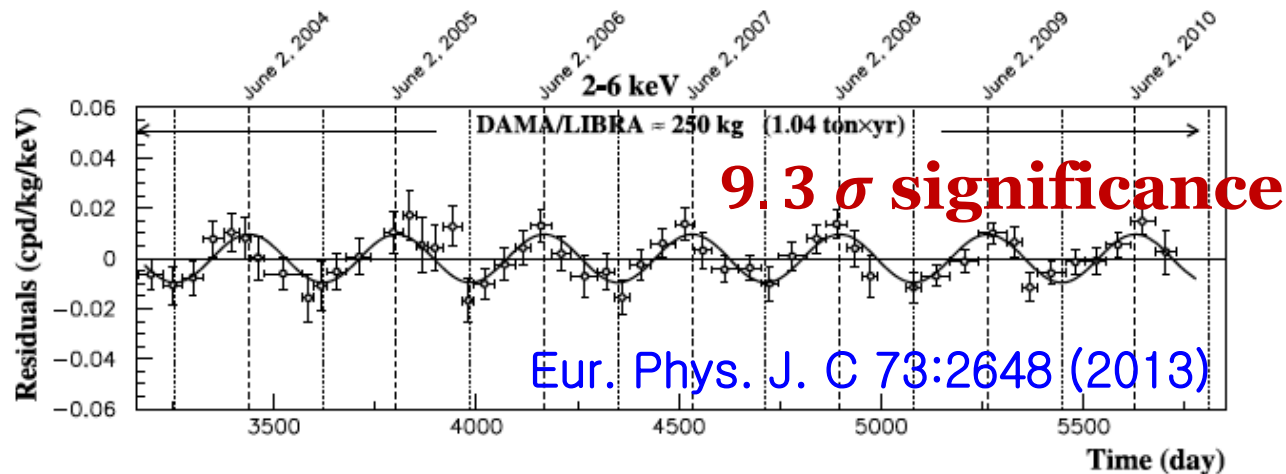
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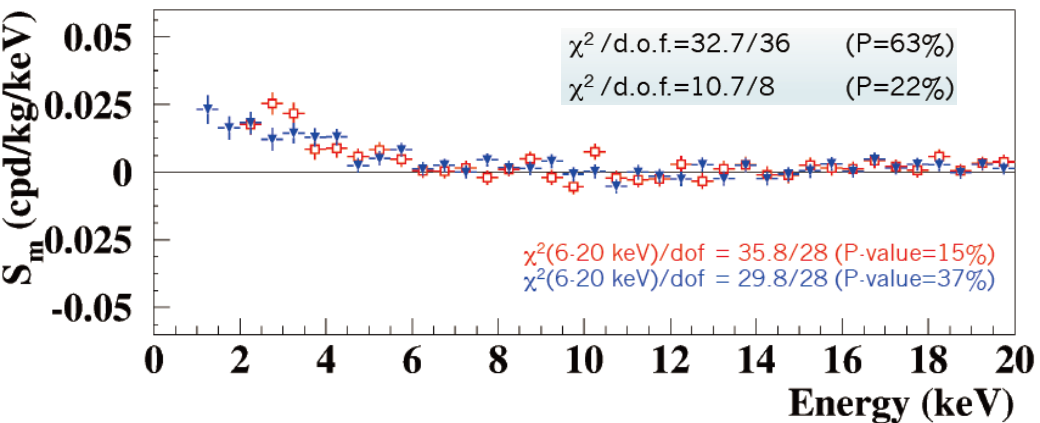
## First model independent results from DAMA/LIBRA–phase2

### New result from DAMA/LIBRA

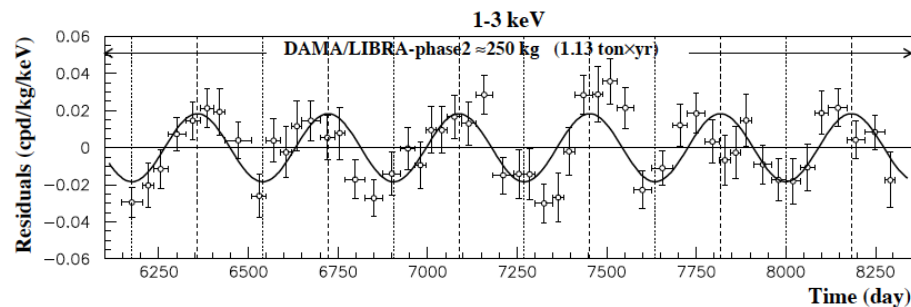
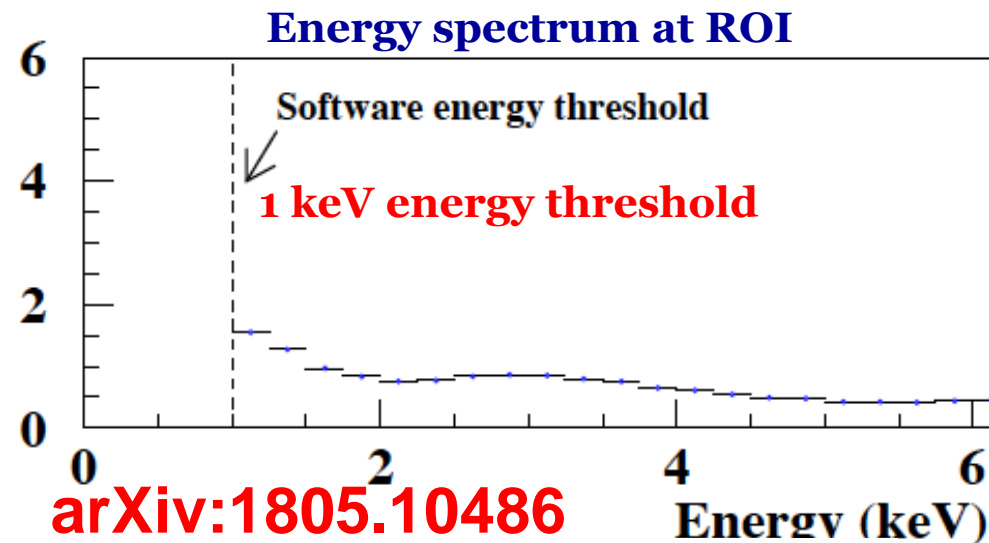
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# DAMA/LIBRA phase 2

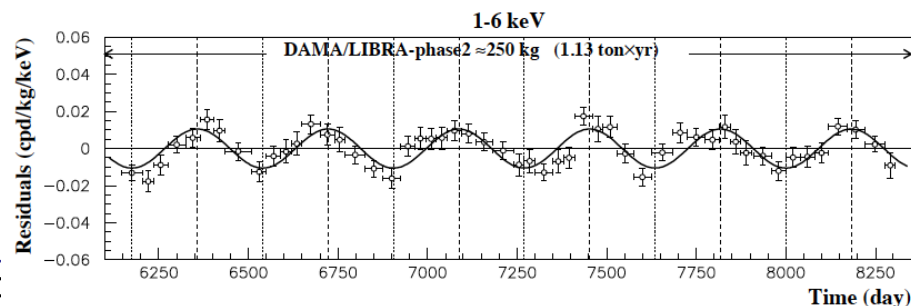
- **Energy threshold** reached to **1 keV** with better PMTs
- Still there is modulation
- Significance
  - ❖ 1-6 keV : **9.5  $\sigma$**  (phase 2)
  - ❖ 2-6 keV : **12.9  $\sigma$**  (phase 1+2)
- Increased modulation amplitude below 2keV



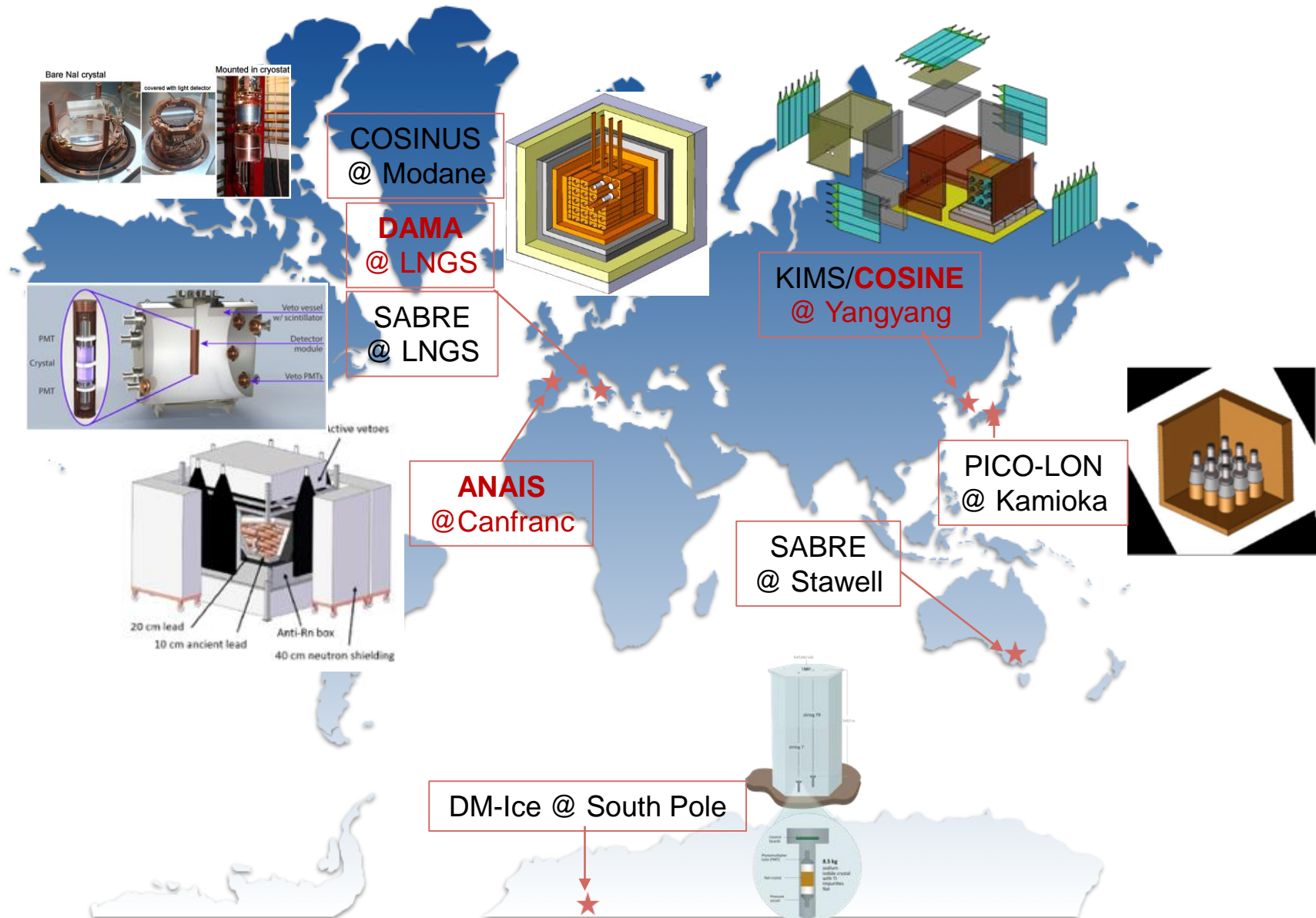
Rate (cpd/kg/keV)



## Modulation amplitude



# Global NaI(Tl) efforts



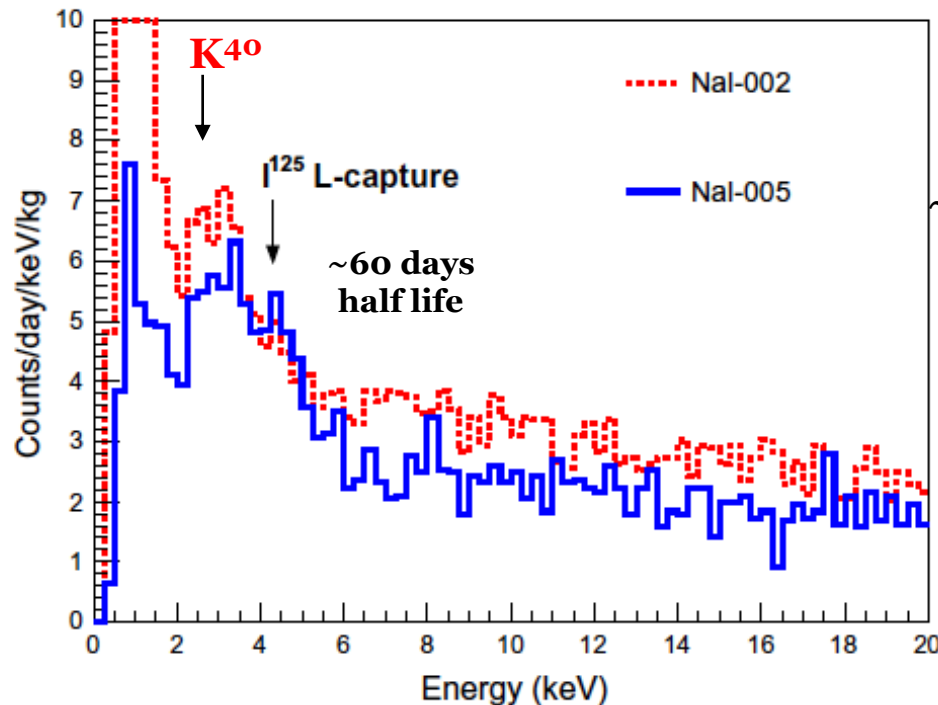


# NaI(Tl) crystal developments by KIMS (since 2013)

K.W.Kim et al., Astropart. Phys. 62, 249 (2015)

P. Adhikari et al., EPJC 76, 185 (2016)

G.Adhikari et al., EPJC 77, 437 (2017)



~ 2keV energy threshold

~ 2 dru background @ 6keV

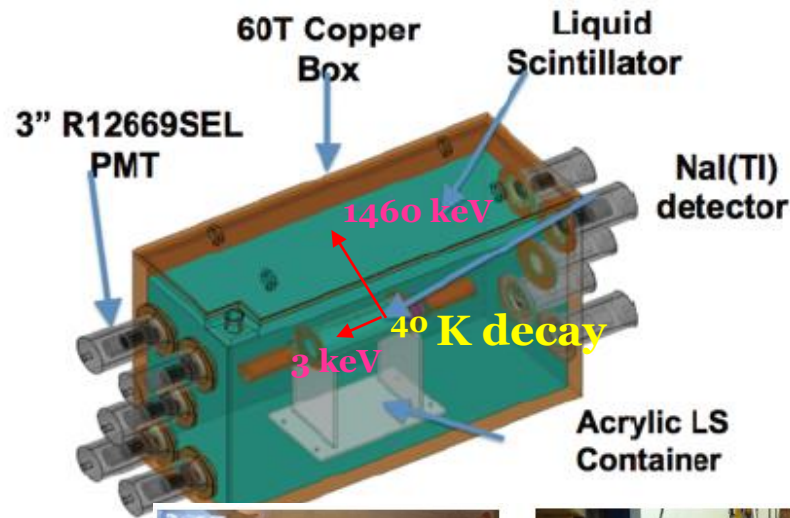
$^{40}\text{K}$  and  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  are  
main background at  
low energy

- Understanding internal background very well
- We achieved ~2 counts/kg/day/keV level at 6keV
- Continue to reduce background of the crystal

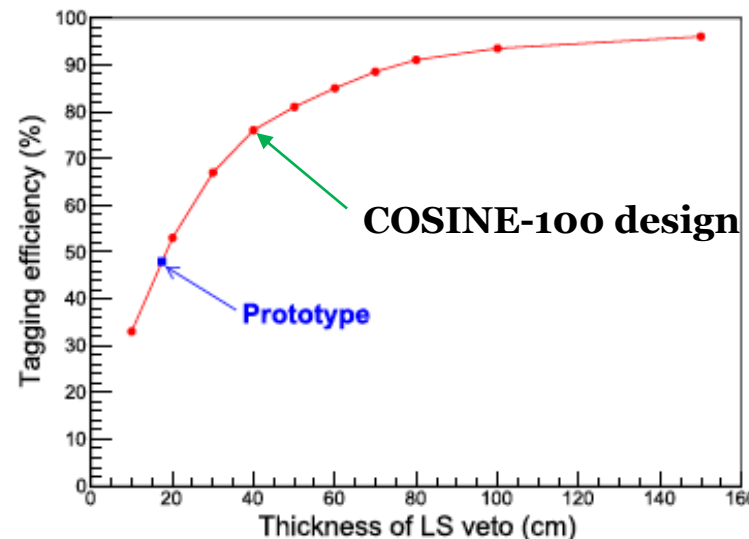
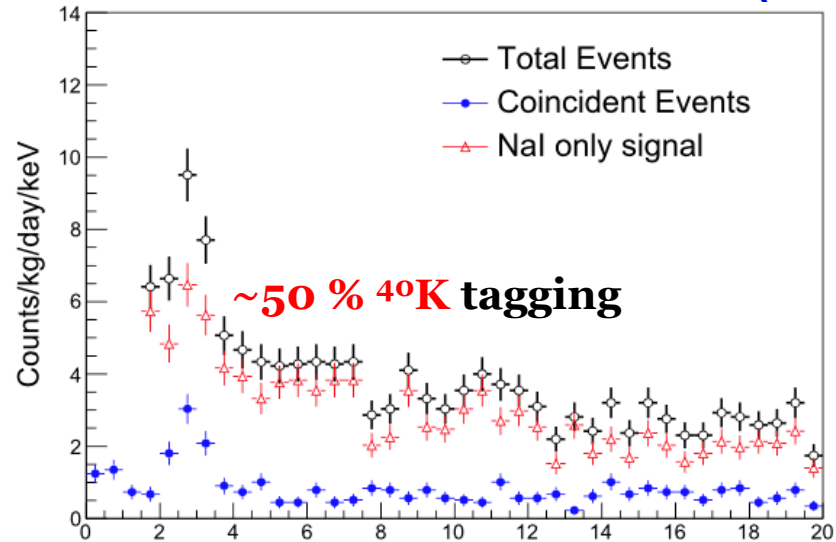
# Internal $^{40}\text{K}$ and external background reduction

- Active veto with liquid scintillator

J.S. Park *et al.*, NIMA, 851 (2017) 103



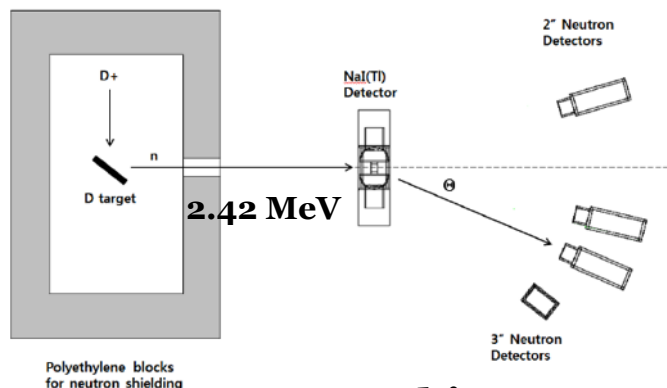
Prototype design for single crystal



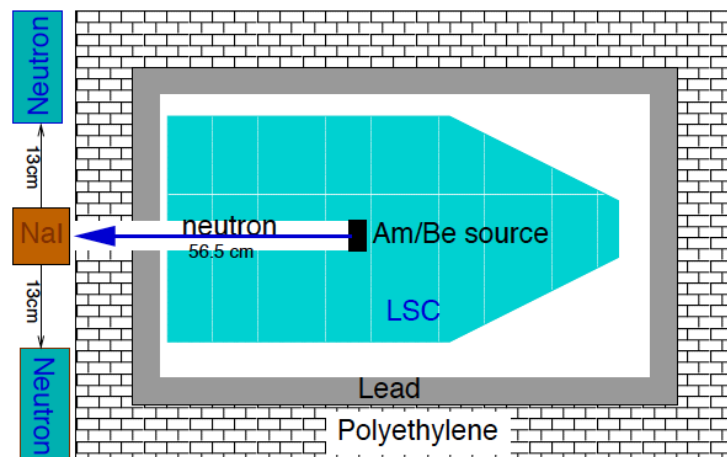


# Nuclear recoil data

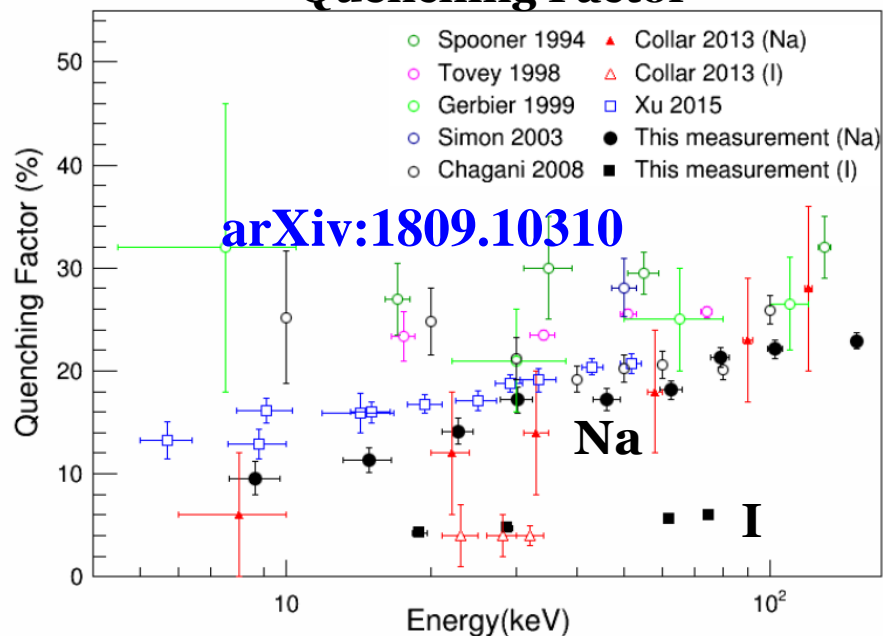
## D-D neutron generator



## Am/Be source



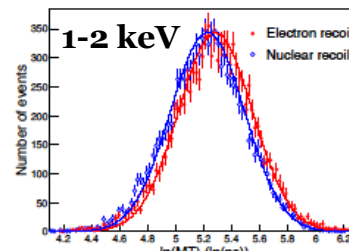
## Quenching Factor



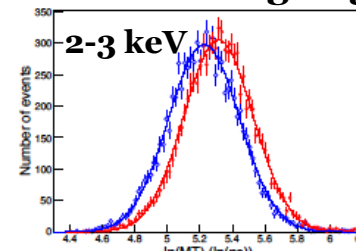
arXiv:1809.10310

H.S. Lee *et al.*, JHEP 08 (2015) 093

Good discrimination due to high light yield !!

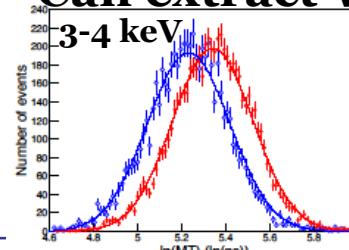


(a) 1-2 keV

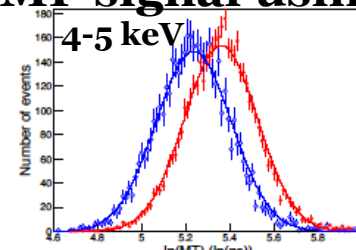


(b) 2-3 keV

Can extract WIMP signal using PSD

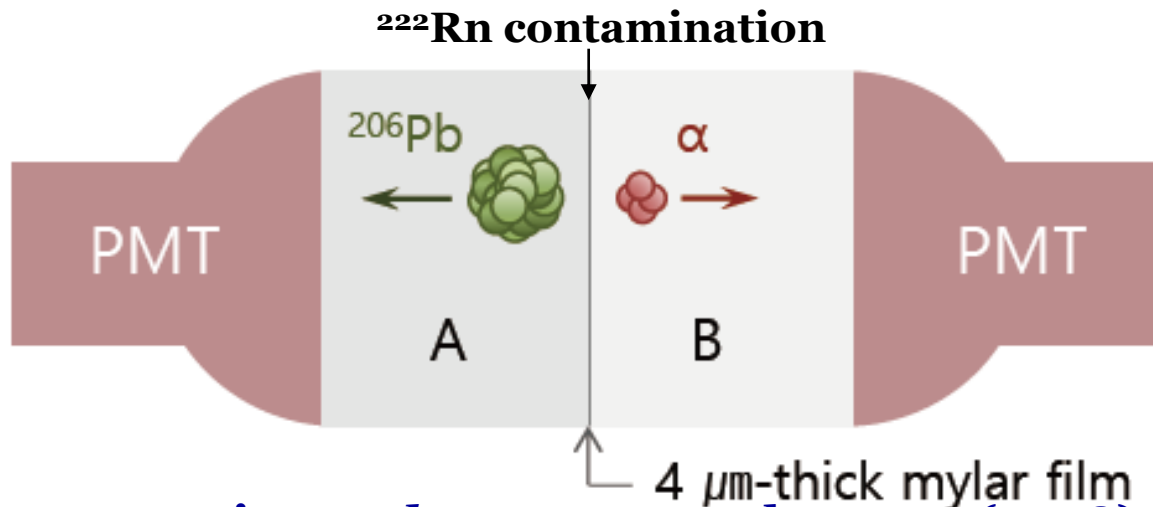


(c) 3-4 keV

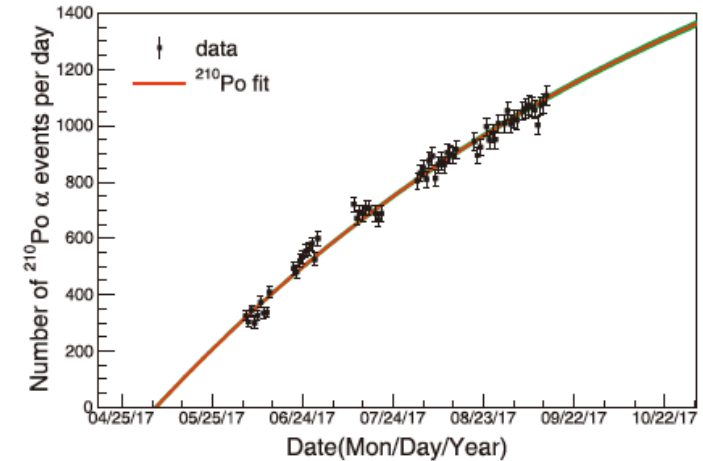


(d) 4-5 keV

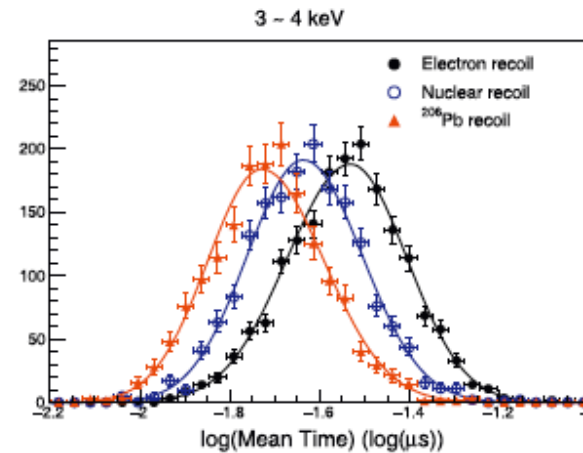
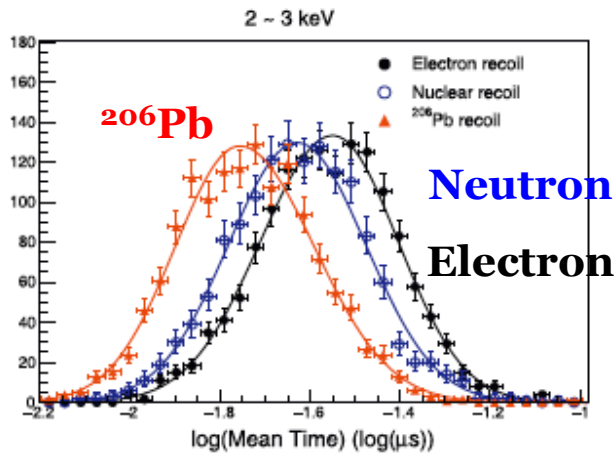
# Surface $^{206}\text{Pb}$ recoil measurement



$^{210}\text{Po}$  has been increased



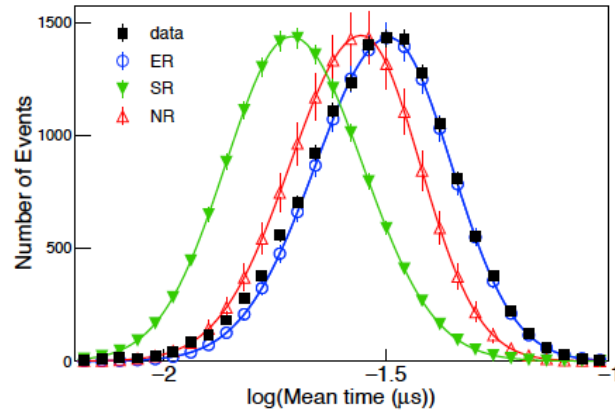
K.W. Kim *et al.*, *Astropart. Phys.* 102 (2018) 51



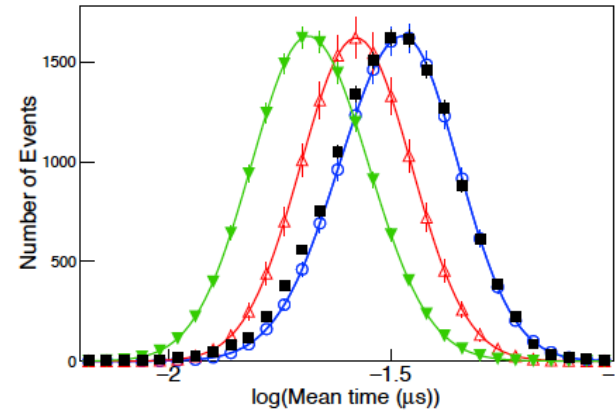
- Surface  $^{206}\text{Pb}$  recoils are much faster than typical NaI nuclear recoils
- We will use those shapes to extract WIMP signals

# Nuclear recoil event extraction using pulse shape discrimination

- 2967.4 kg days exposure from KIMS-NaI R&D (two crystals)



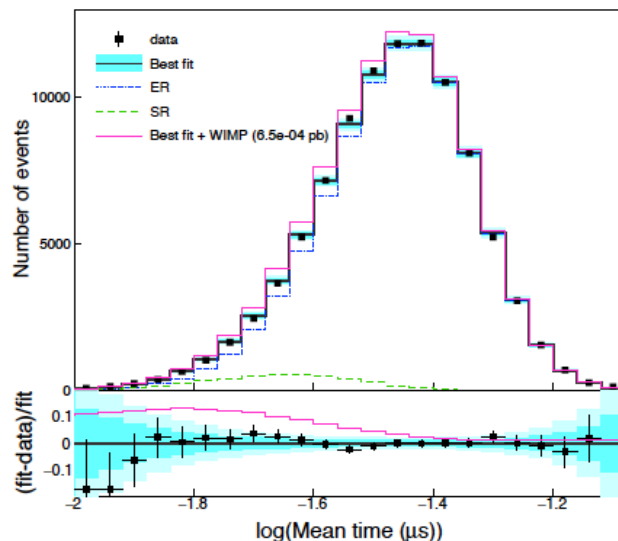
(a) 2-3 keV



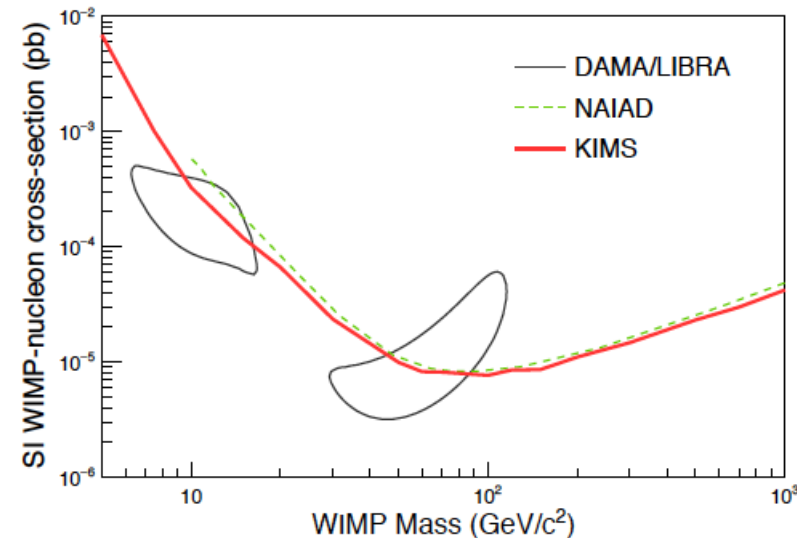
(b) 3-4 keV

**K.W. Kim *et al.*, arXiv:1806.06499**

Fit results (2-8 keV)



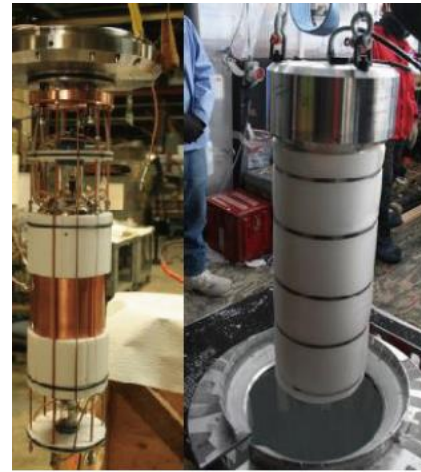
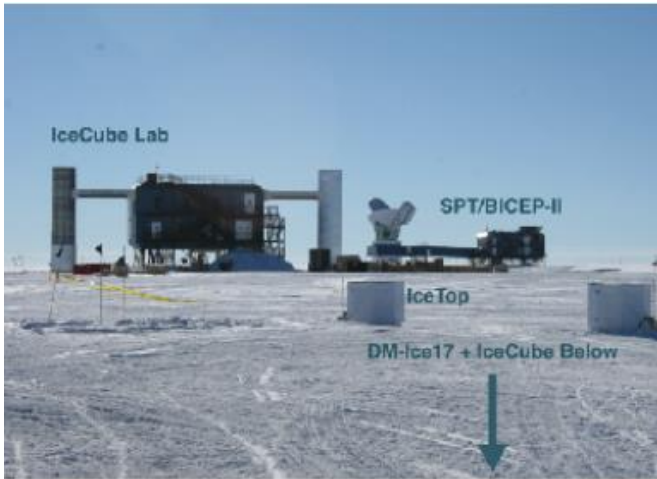
Spin Independent WIMP-nucleon interaction





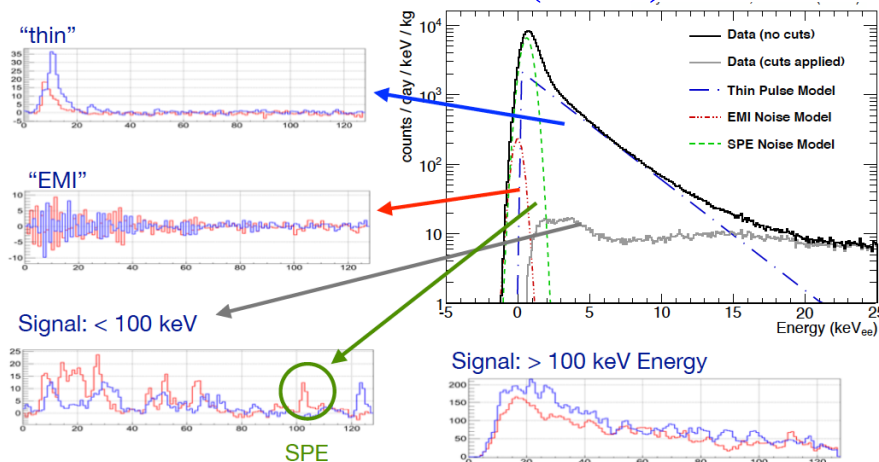
# DM-Ice17

- DM-Ice17 in South pole (Jun.2011 – Jan.2015)

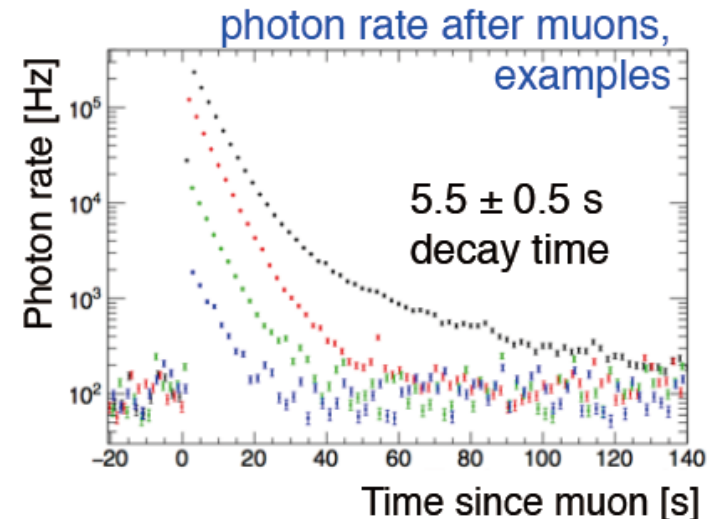


Two 8.47 kg crystal  
2200 m.w.e overburden

PRD 90 092005 (2014)

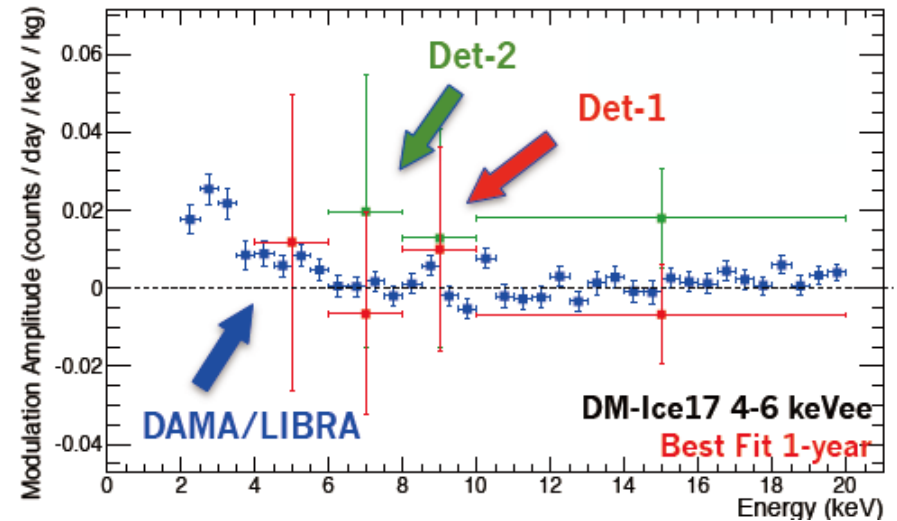
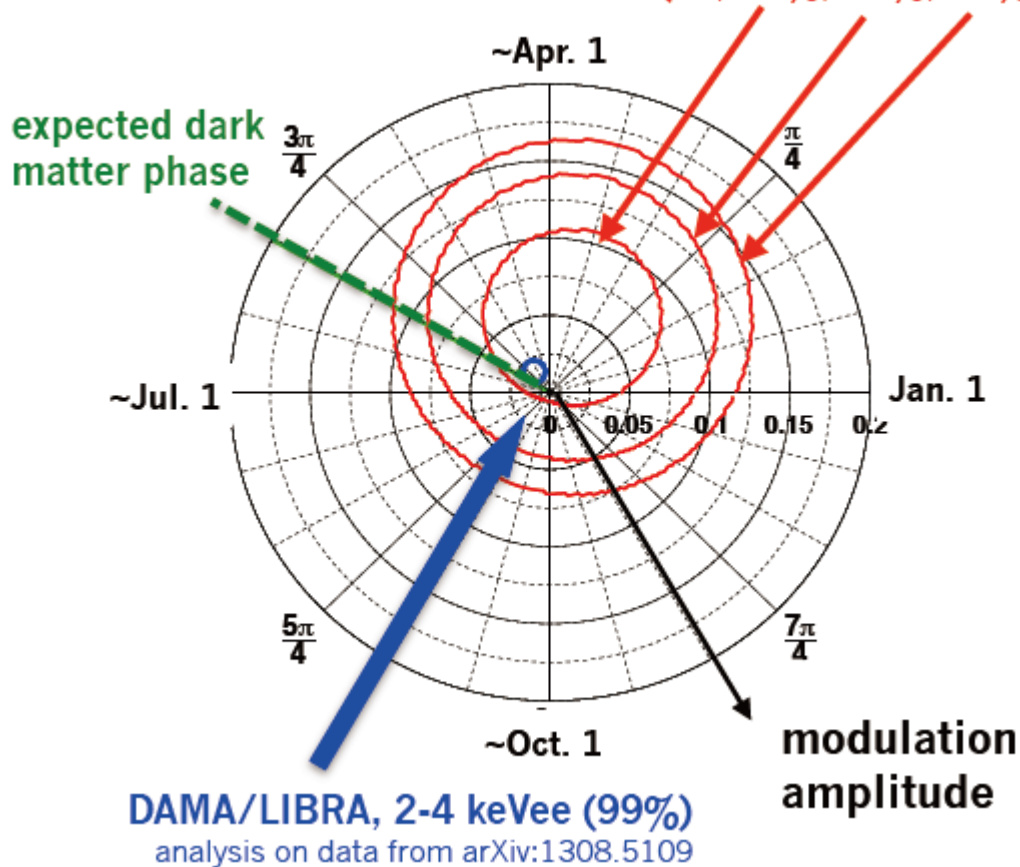


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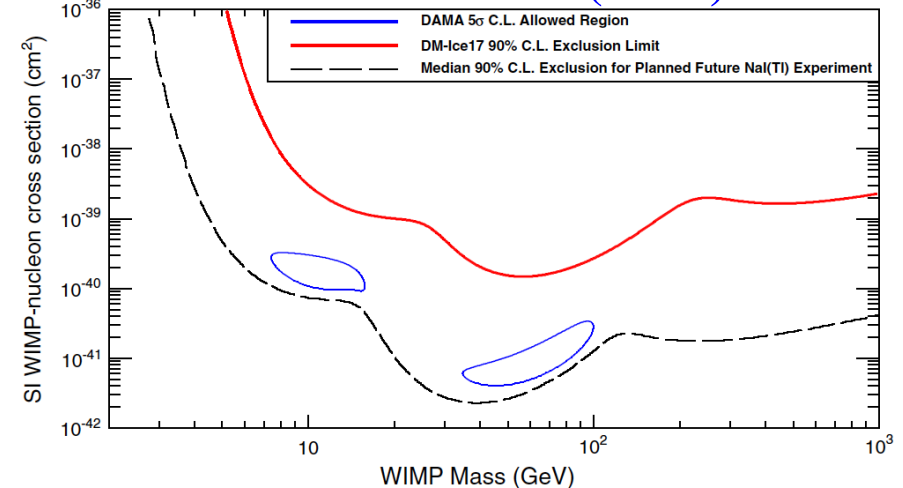


# Annual modulation study with DM-Ice17

DM-Ice17 4-6 keVee (BF, 68%, 95%, 99%)



PRD 95 032006 (2017)



- Continue to develop low background NaI(Tl) crystals

# COSINE Project (Since 2015)

**KIMS** and **DM-Ice** joint effort to search for dark matter interactions in NaI(Tl) scintillating crystals.  
(Goal to **verify DAMA/LIBRA's observation**)





# YangYang(Y2L) Underground Laboratory

(Upper Dam) YangYang Pumped

Storage Power Plant

Center for Underground Physics

IBS (Institute for Basic Science)

1000m

700m

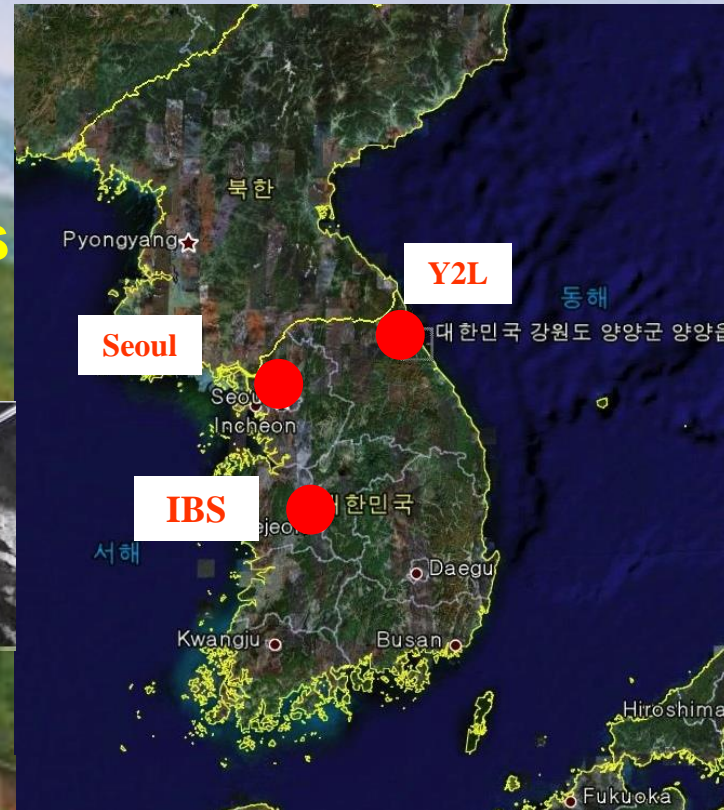
(Power Plant)



양양양수발전소

KIMS (Dark Matter Search)

AMoRE (Double Beta Decay Experiment)



(Lower Dam)

Minimum depth : 700 m / Access to the lab by car (~2km)



# COSINE-100 Construction

Dec. 2015



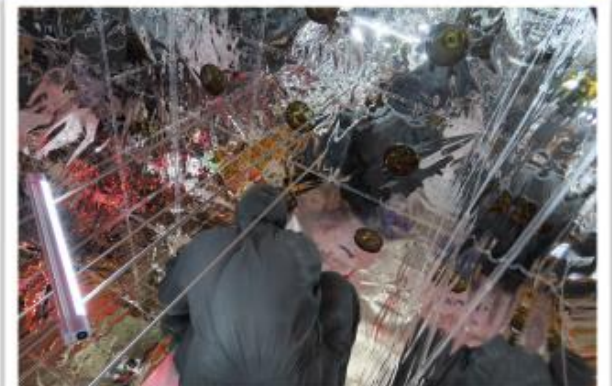
Jan. 2016



Feb. 2016

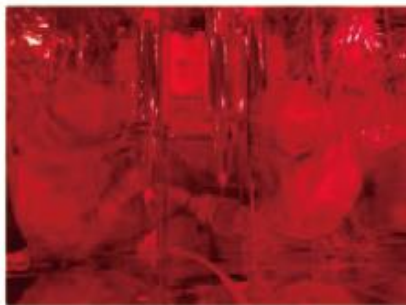


Mar. 2016



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Sep. 2016





# COSINE-100 detectors



**Physics run started since Sept/2016**

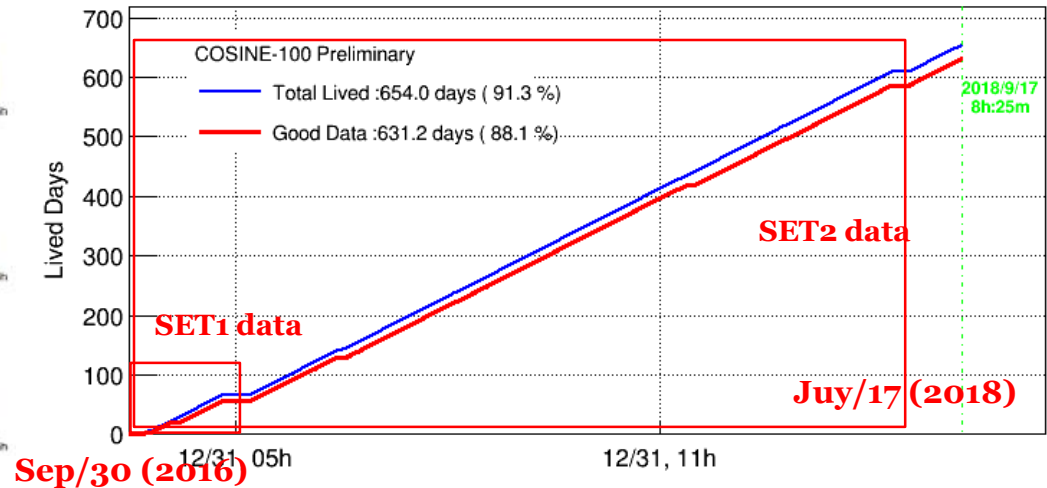
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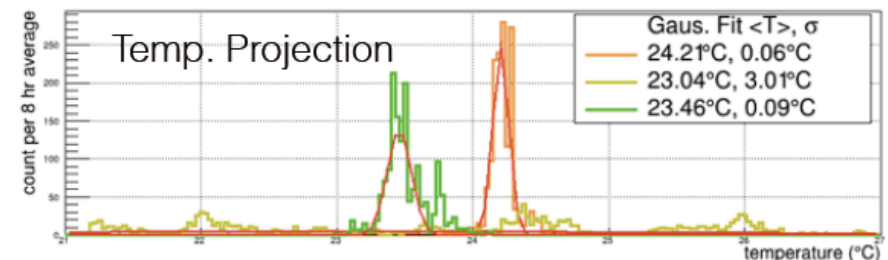
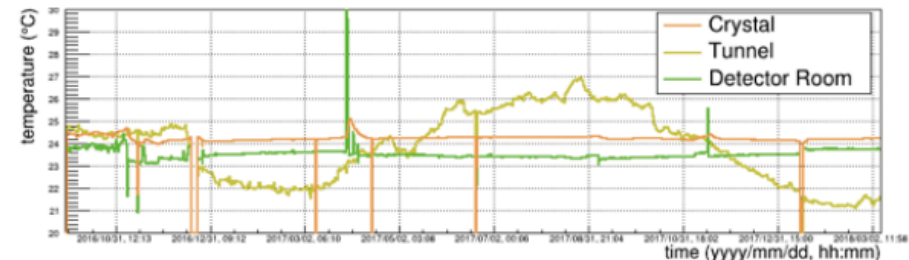
# COSINE-100 operation



## COSINE-100 exposure

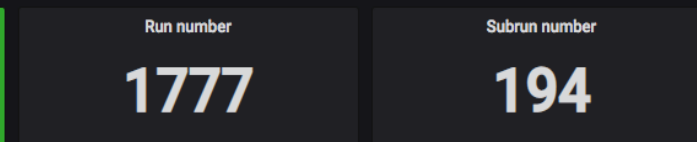


- **Stable physics run**
  - ❖ More than 90% live time!! Most of data are marked as good quality data
- Operating about 2 years

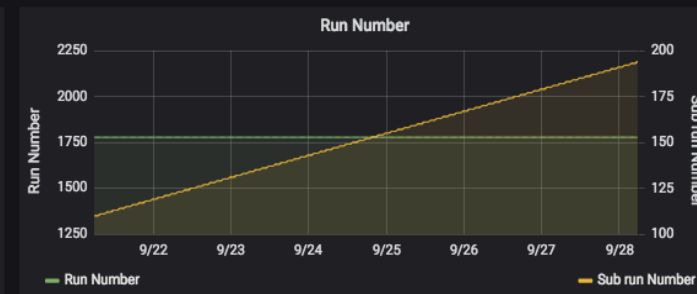
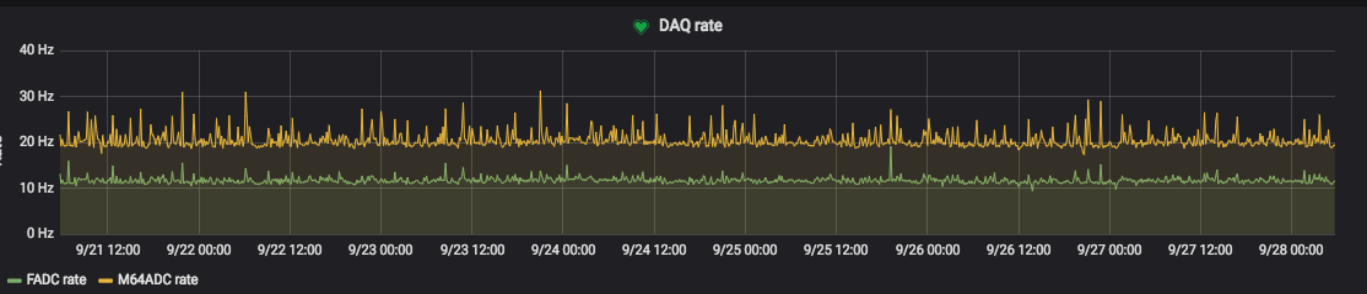


DAQ status

# Slow monitoring

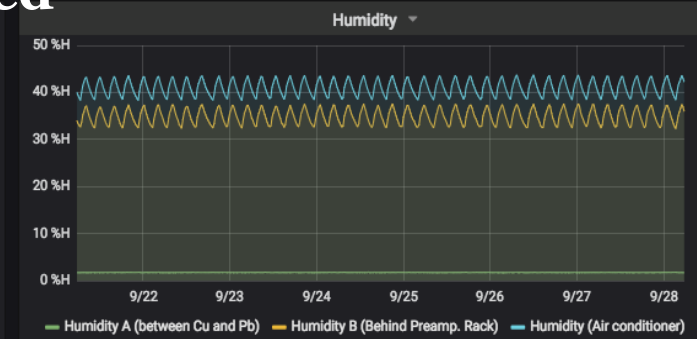
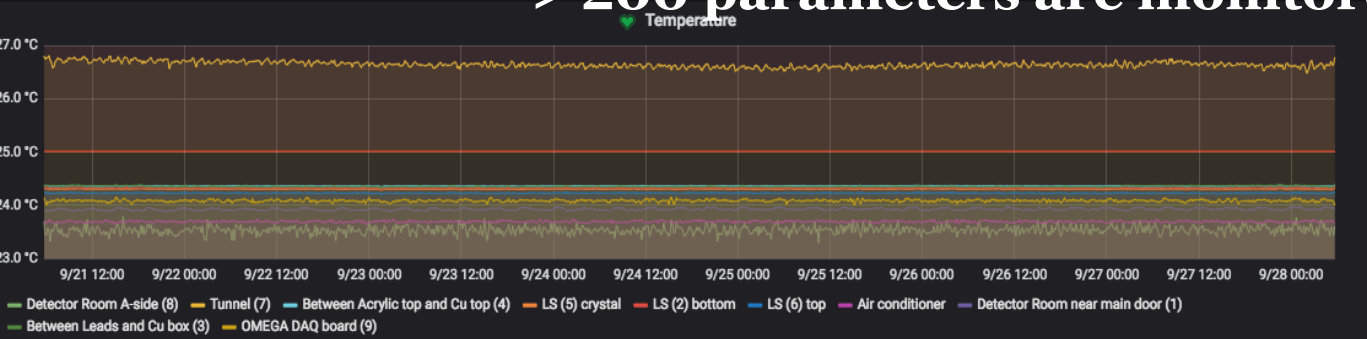


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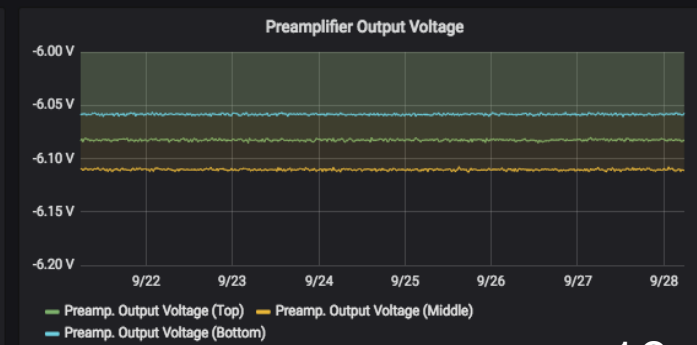
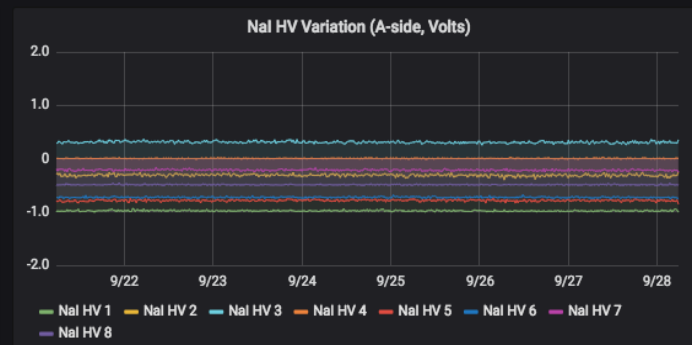
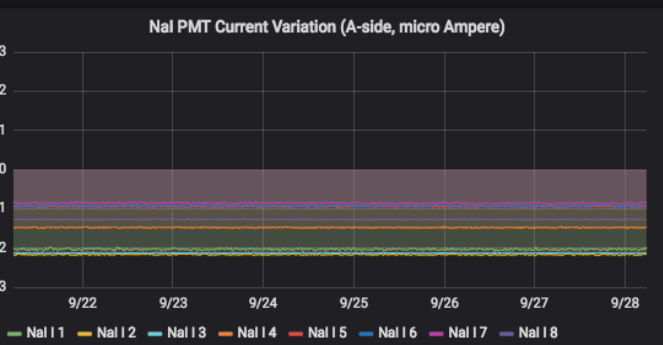


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> 200 parameters are monitored



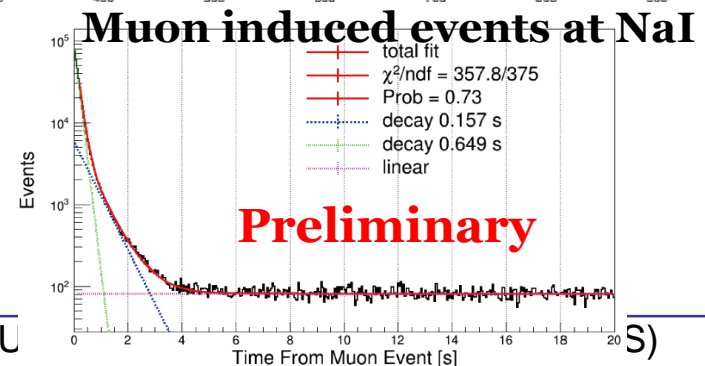
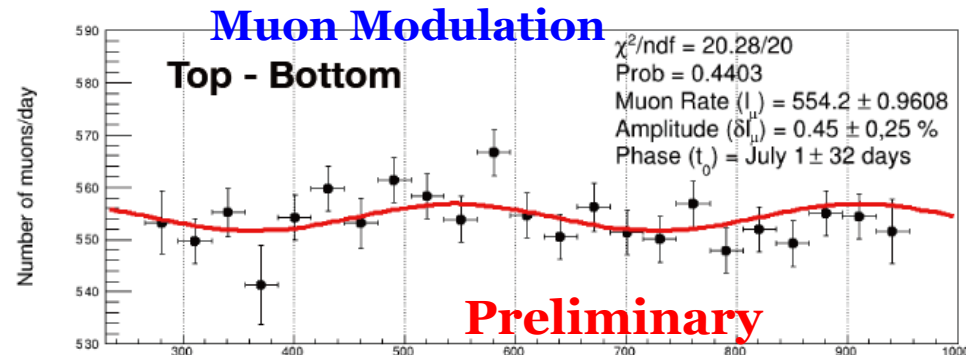
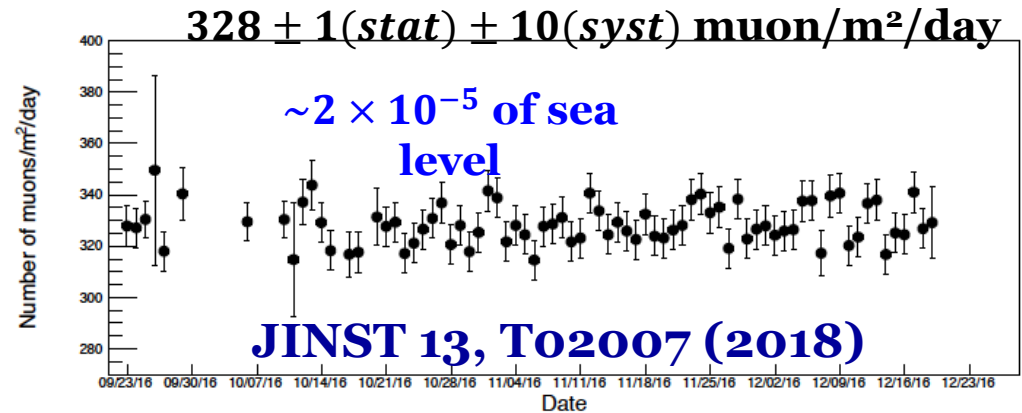
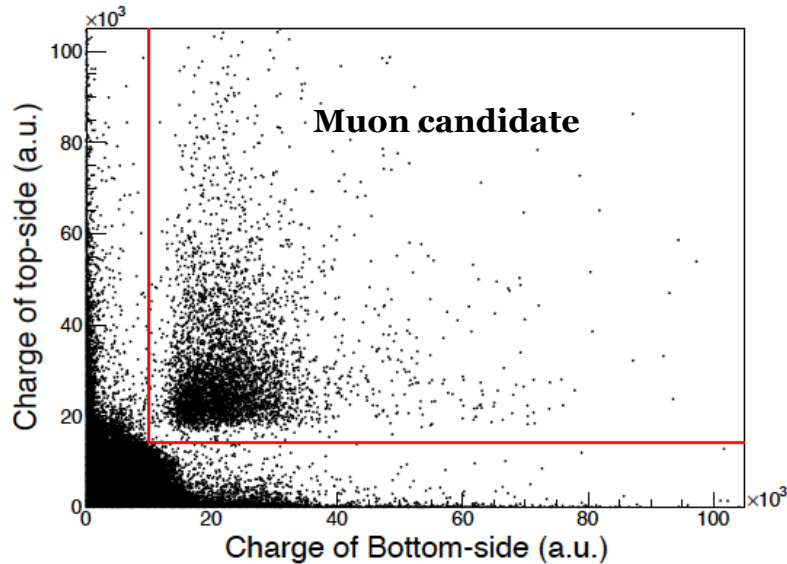
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# Muon detector

- Outer muon veto consists of 37 plastic scintillator panels



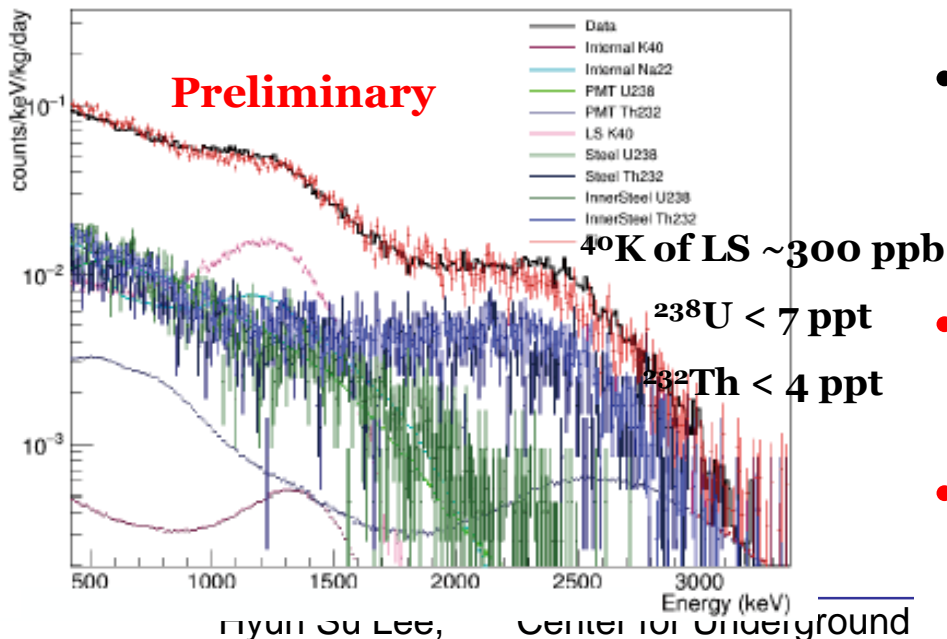
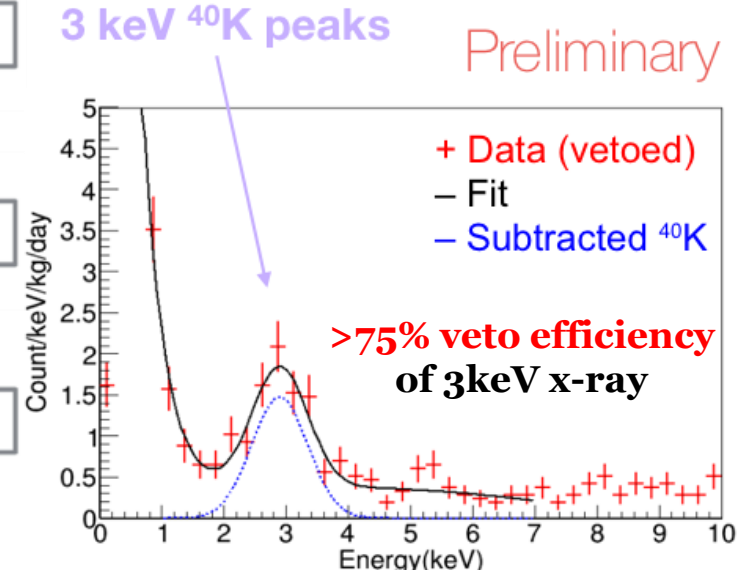
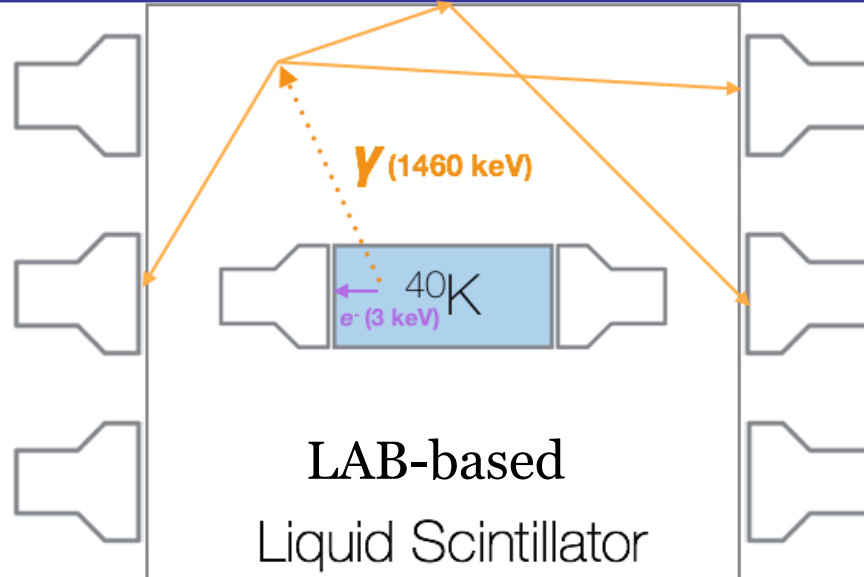
Muon flux has been monitored stably

**Vetoing of muon correlated events** in NaI(Tl) crystals was implemented

**Study on muon induced events** with NaI(Tl) and liquid scintillator is ongoing

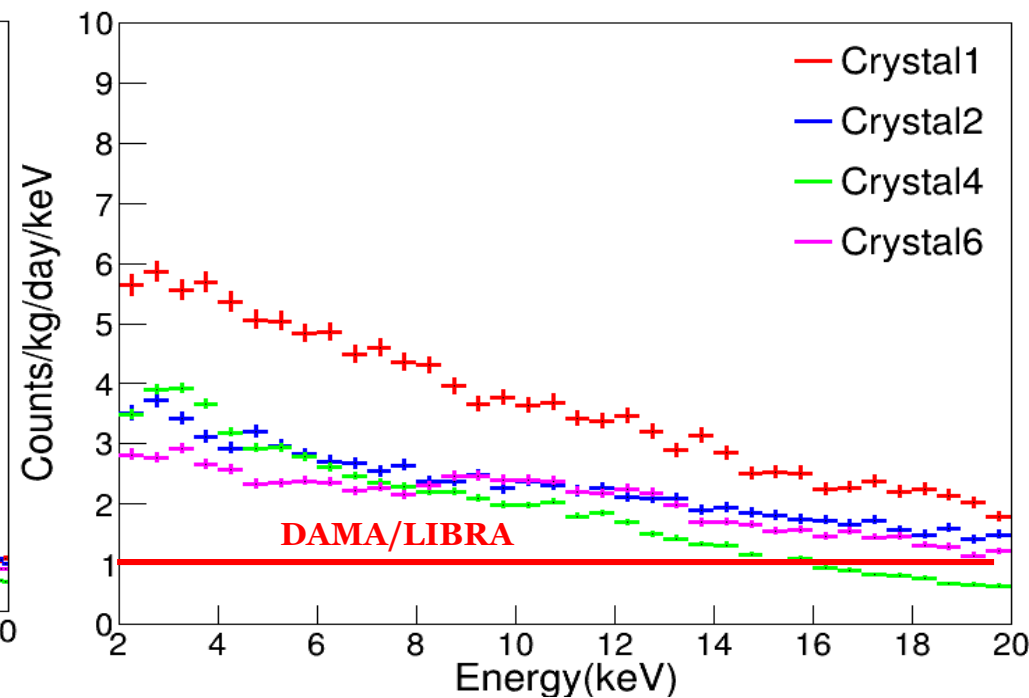
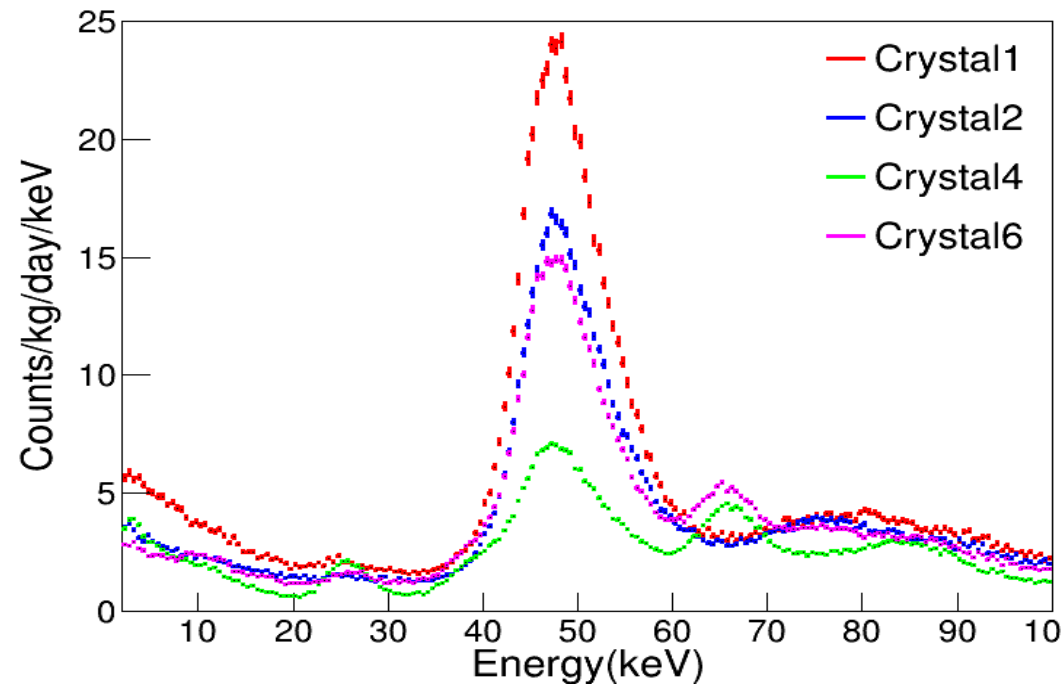


# Liquid scintillator veto system



- Tagging rate of  $^{40}\text{K}$  is well understood with Geant4-based simulation
- Internal background of LS is well understood and low enough
- 20 keV tagging threshold is achieved

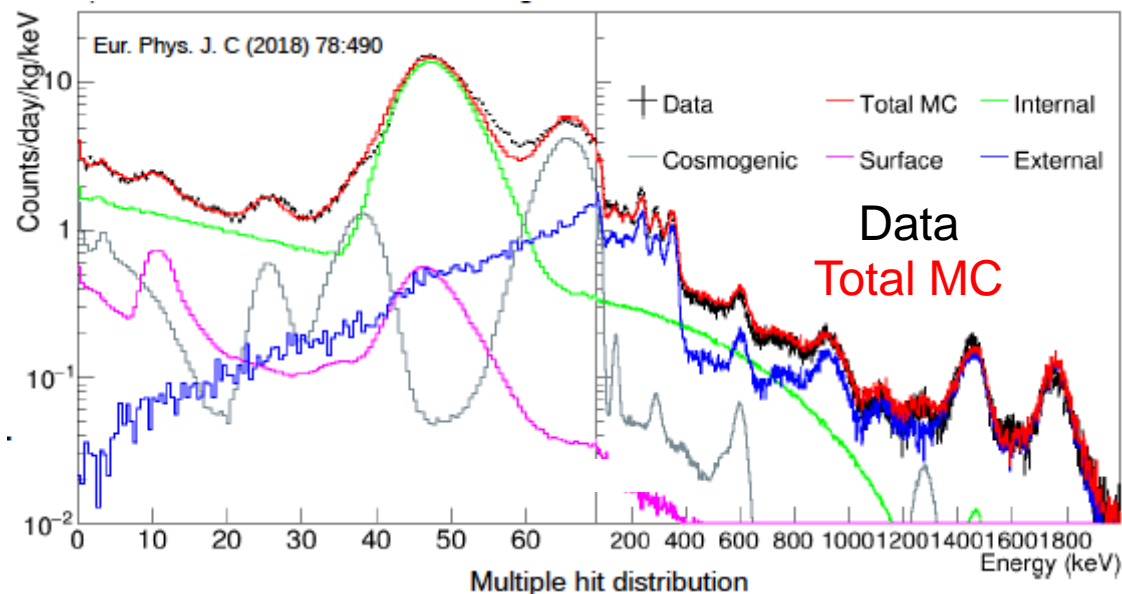
# Crystal data (initial two month – SET1)



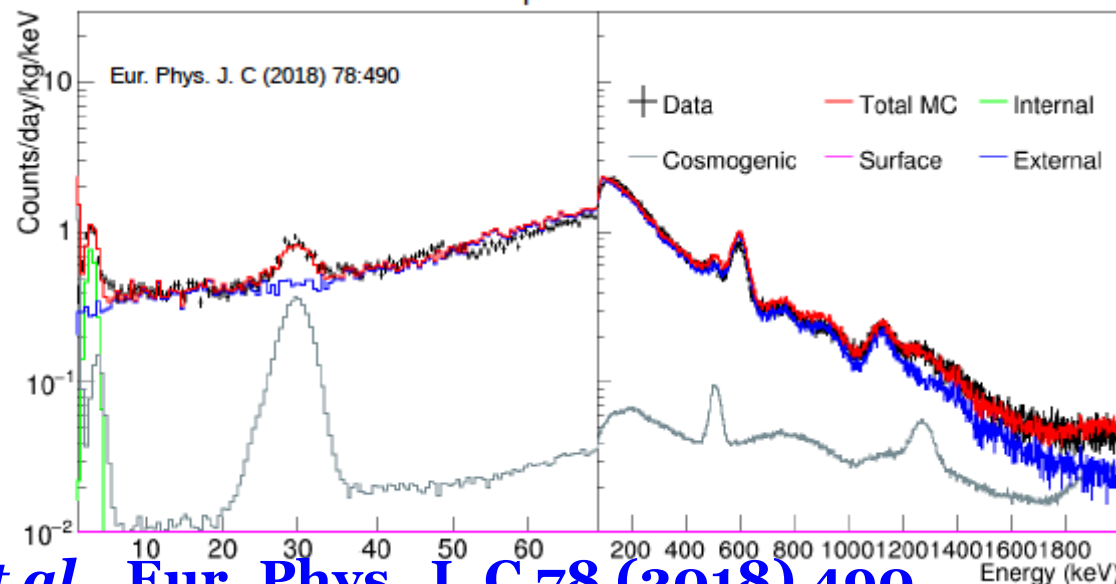
- **Background levels** from 2 to 4 dru (counts/kg/day/keV)
  - ❖ Higher than DAMA/LIBRA crystals
  - ❖ Efficiency corrected spectra

# Background understanding

Single hit event  
(6-2000 keV)

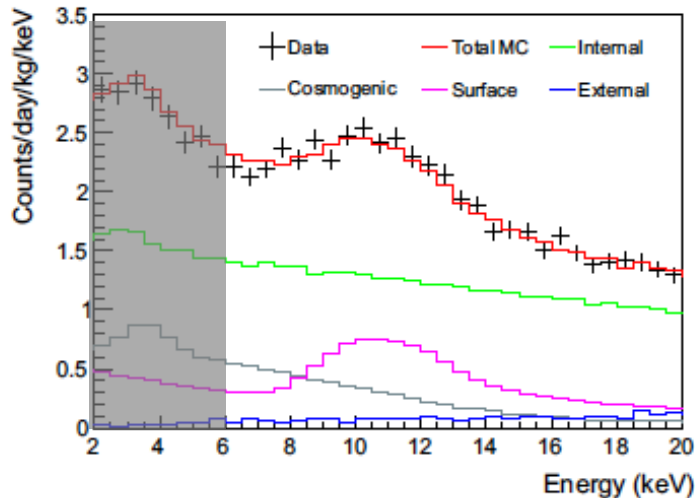


Multiple hit events  
(2-2000 keV)



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# Expected background (2-6 keV)

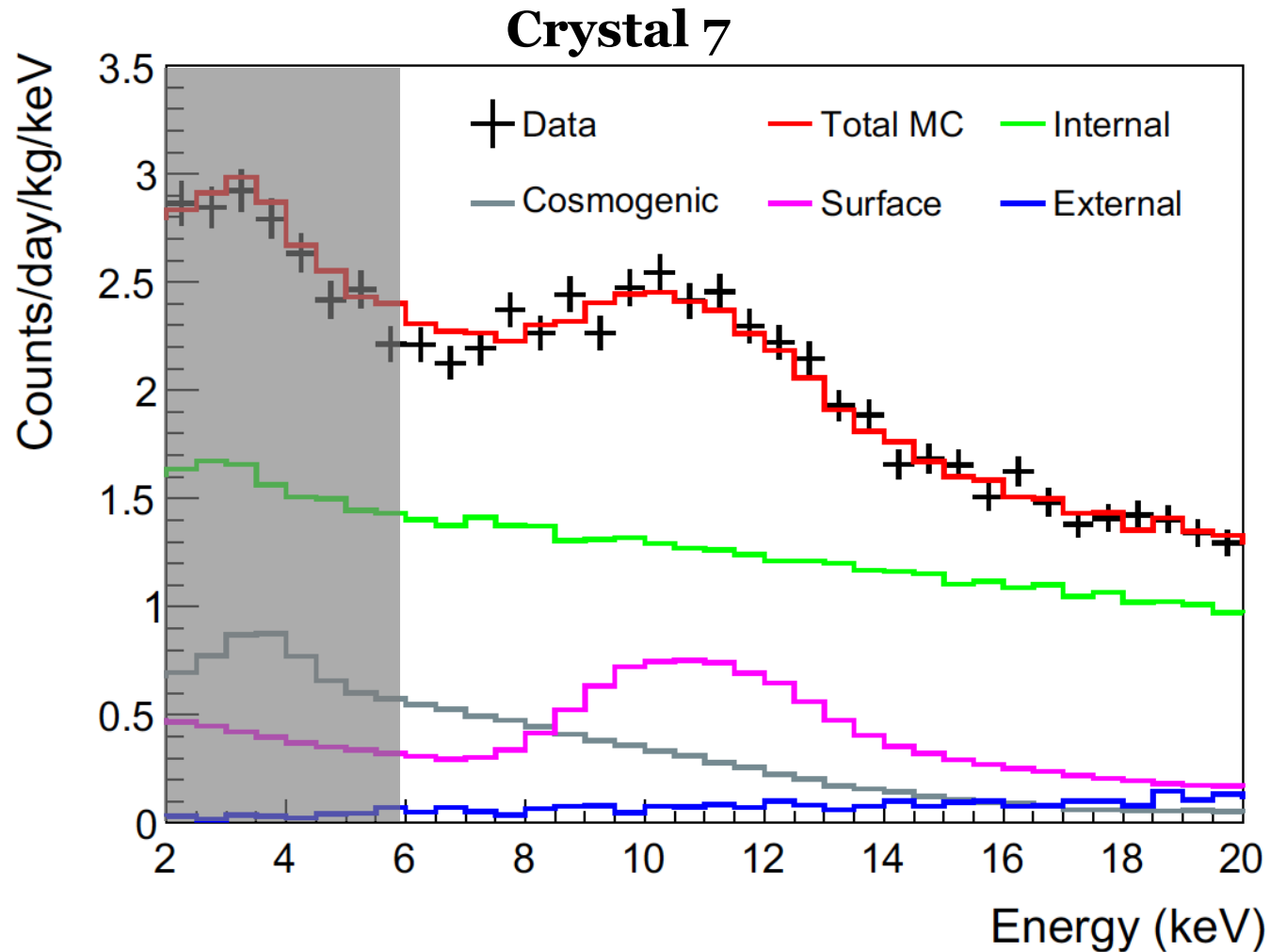


Components	Background 2-6 keV (dru)
Internal $^{210}\text{Pb}$	1.50 +/- 0.07
Internal $^{40}\text{K}$	0.05 +/- 0.01
Surface $^{210}\text{Pb}$	0.38 +/- 0.21
$^3\text{H}$ (Cosmogenic)	0.58 +/- 0.54
$^{109}\text{Cd}$ (Cosmogenic)	0.09 +/- 0.09
Other cosmogenic	0.05 +/- 0.03
External	0.03 +/- 0.02
<b>Total expected</b>	<b>2.70 +/- 0.59</b>
<b>Data</b>	<b>2.64 +/- 0.05</b>

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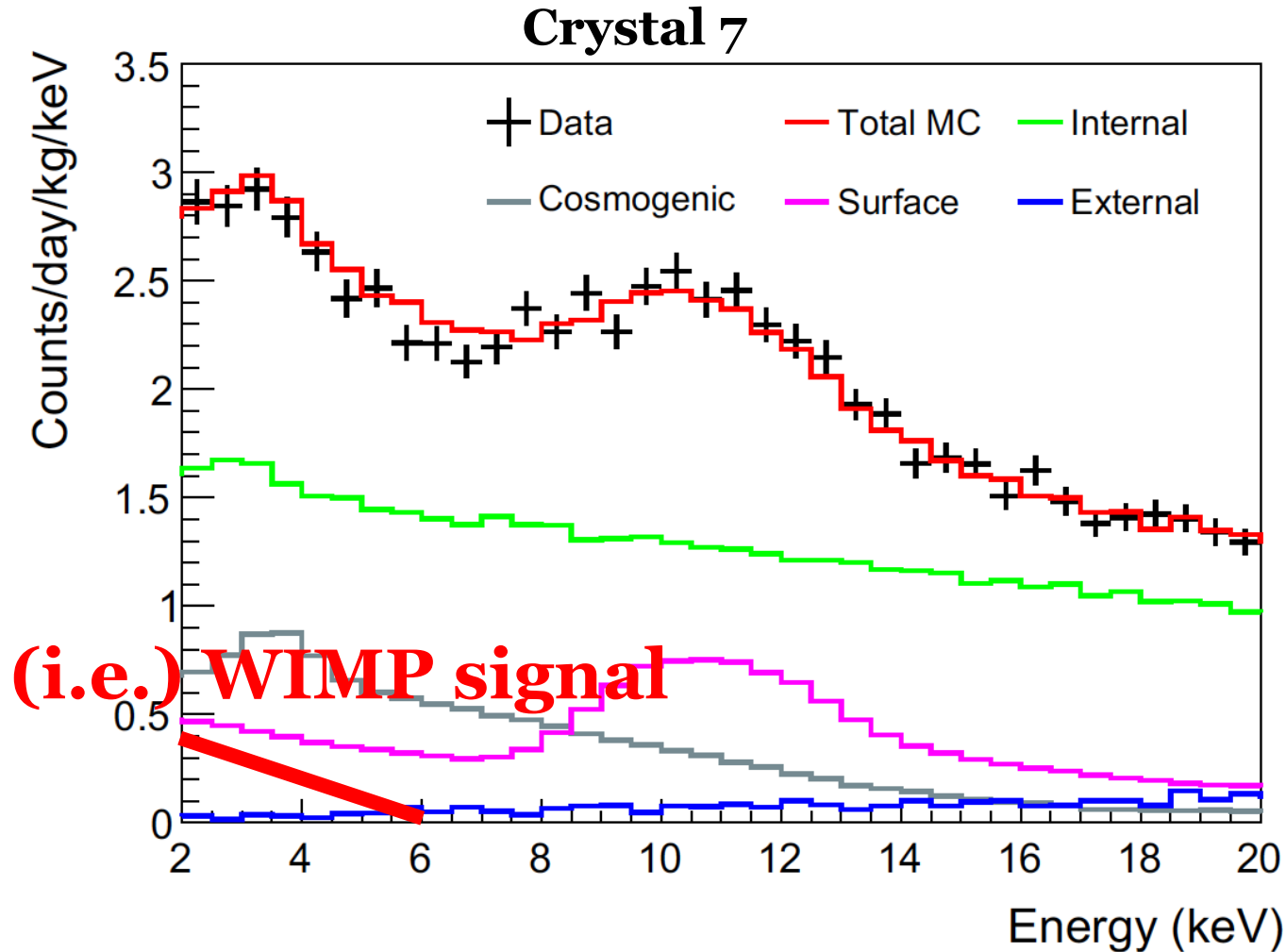


# Fit with WIMP signals



**Background modeling was done only using 6- 2000keV events**

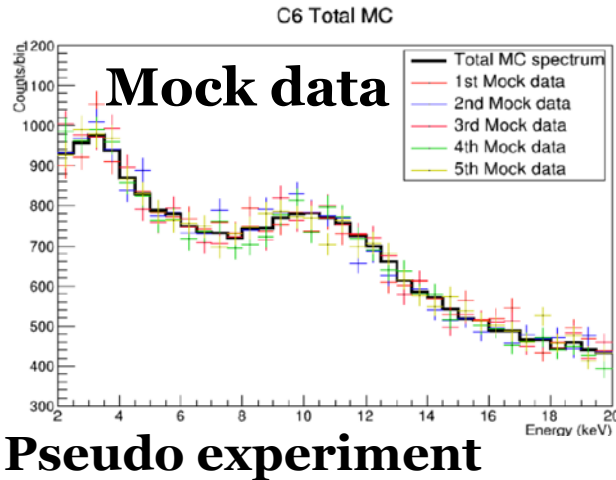
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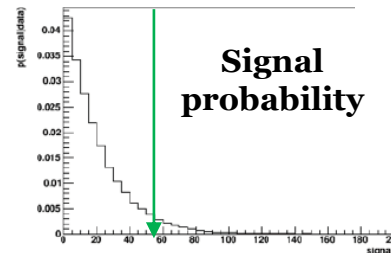
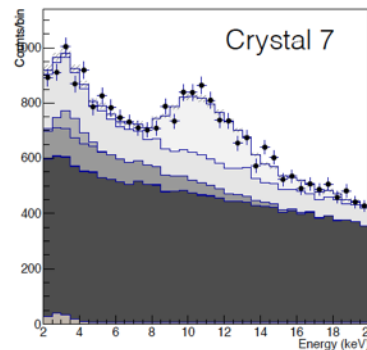
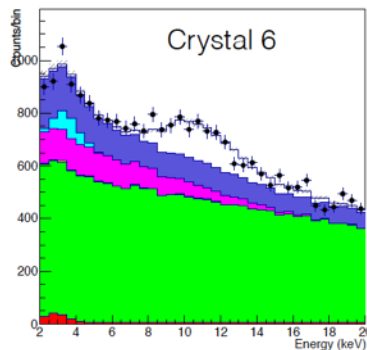
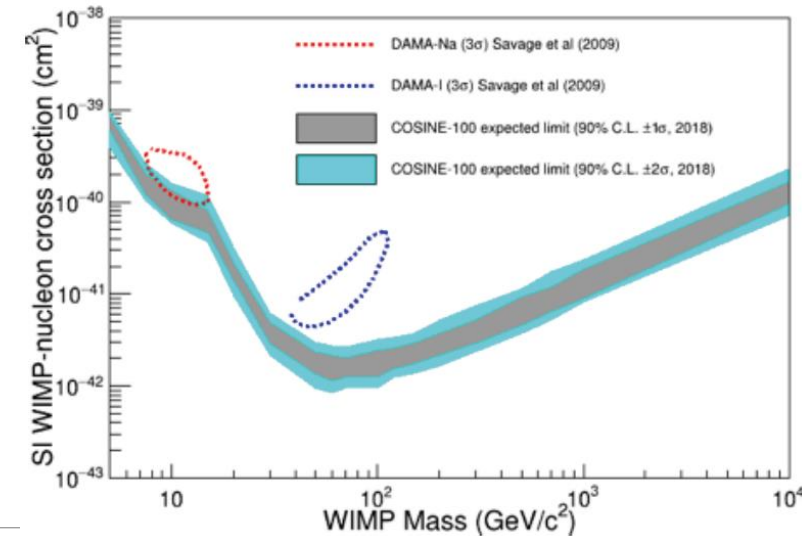
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# Sensitivity of COSINE-100 59.5 days data

- Generate mock data from MC modeling



Set 90% CL  
upper limit



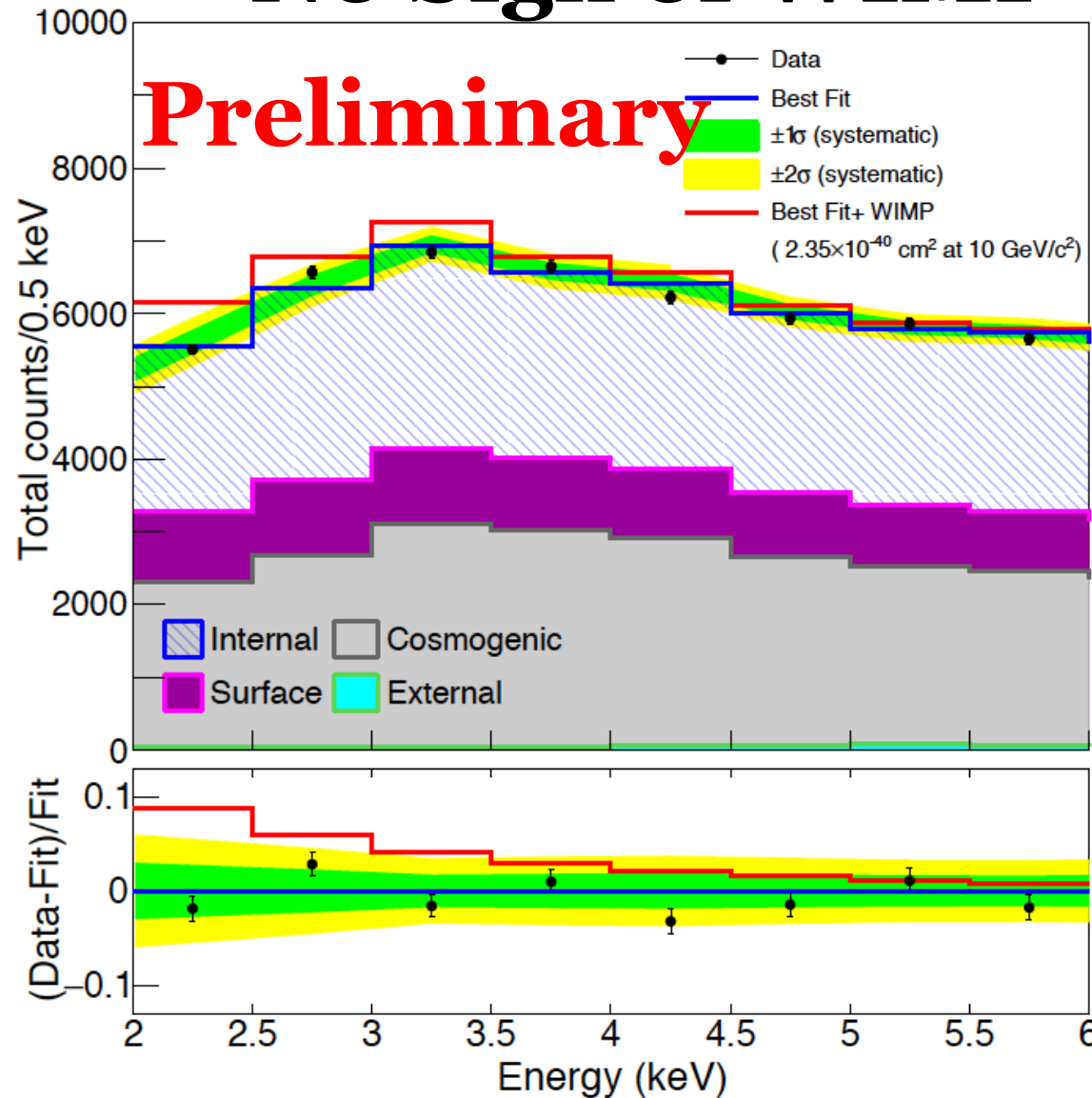
- Sensitivity estimation is done

Single hit-spectra from eight crystals are fit simultaneously with an assumed WIMP signal

Same parameters as Savage et al. (2009)

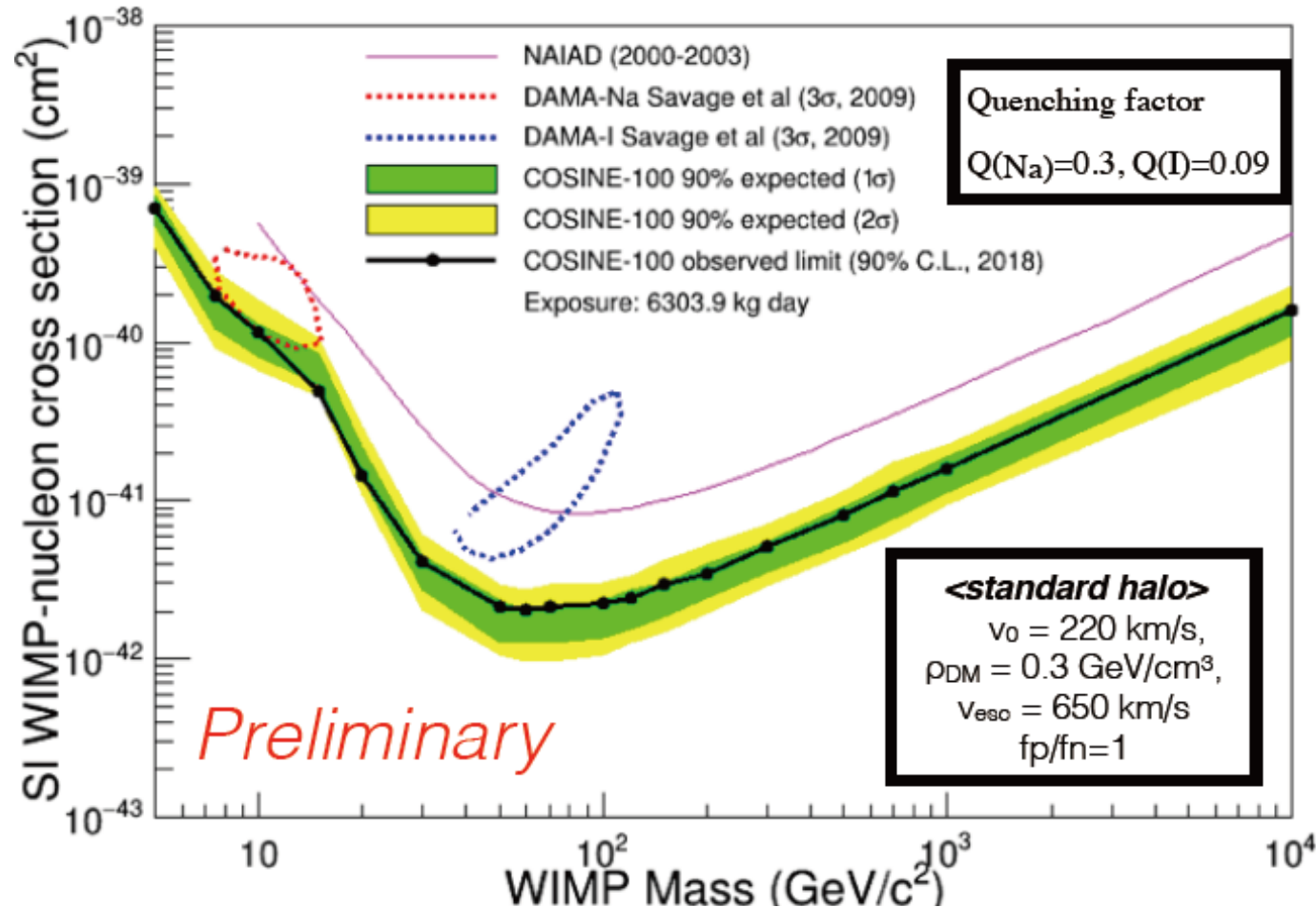
# Data fit (COSINE 59.5 days)

## No Sign of WIMP





# Limit on WIMP-nucleon cross section



COSINE-100 excludes DAMA/LIBRA-phase1's interpretation with the spin-independent WIMP interaction in Standard Halo Model

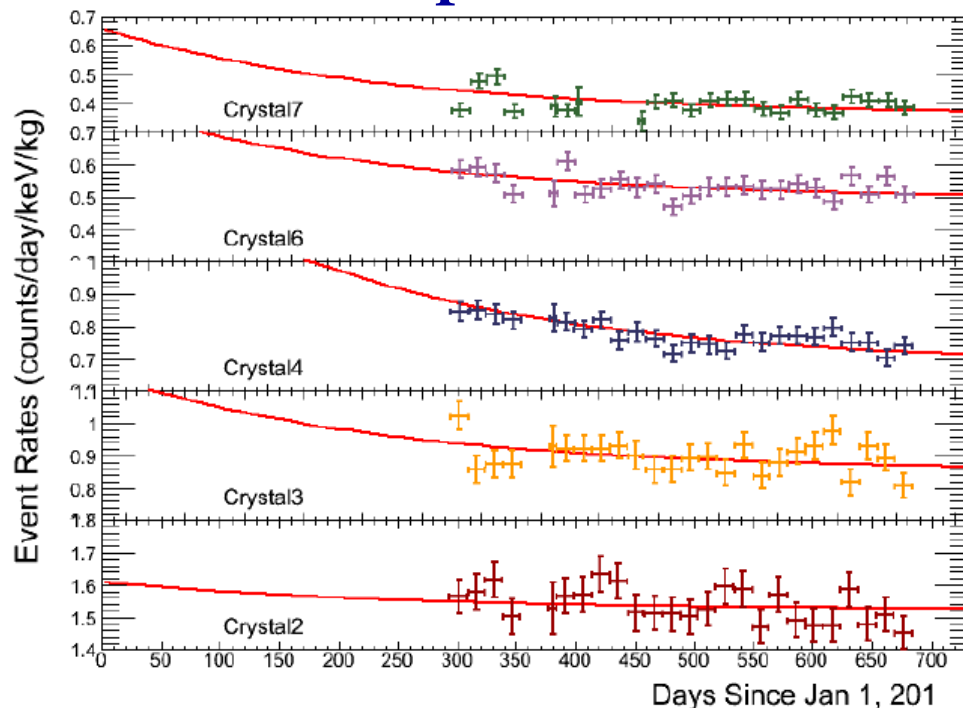
**First time with same NaI(Tl) target**

Consistent with other null experiments

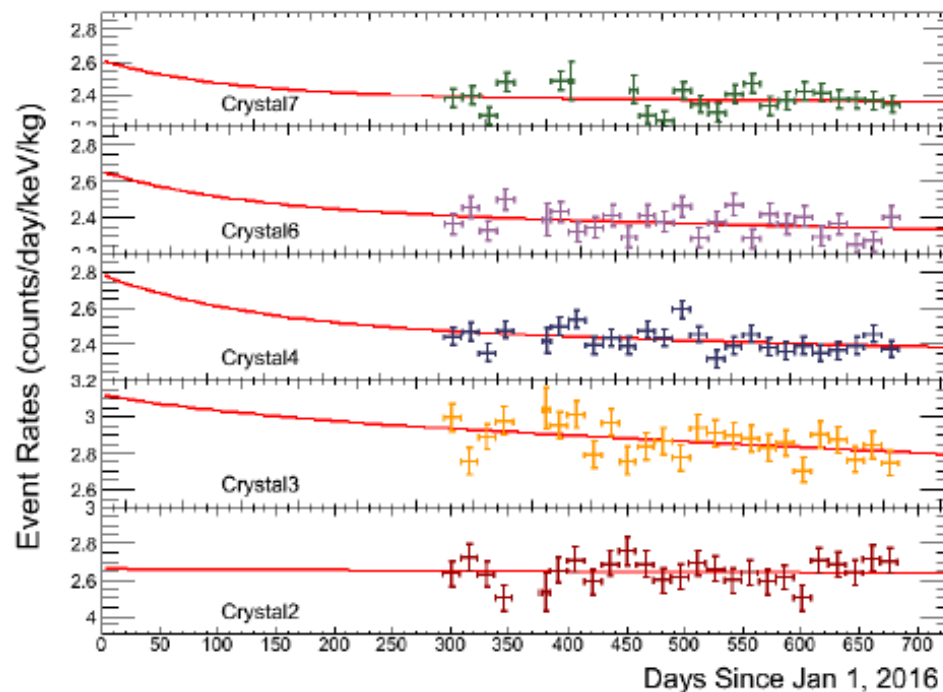
# Annual Modulation

- **Cosmogenic** components were **constraint** by the measurements
- Floating  $^3\text{H}$  and constant (**internal background**)

**Multiple 2-6 keV**



**Single 6-10 keV**



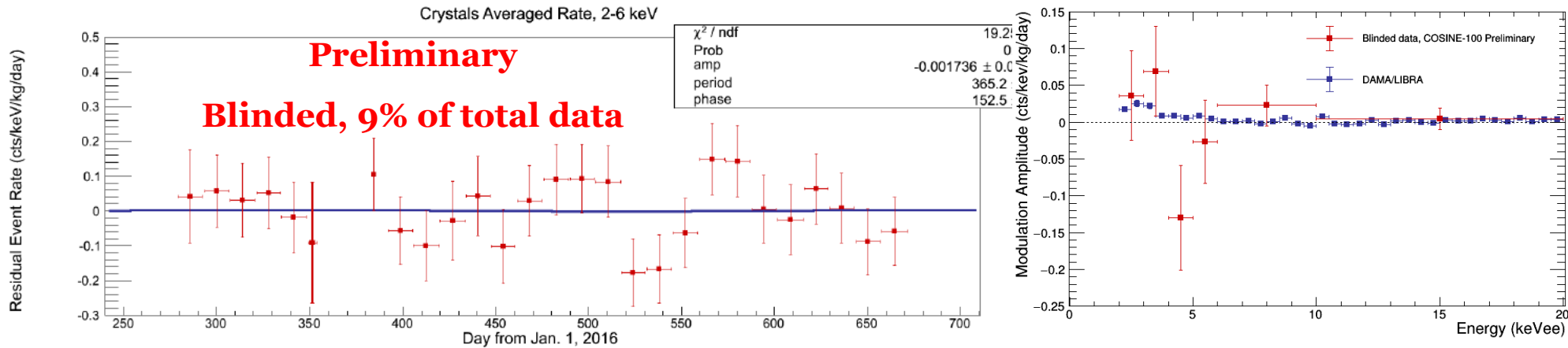
**C5 & C8 were excluded due to low light output**

**C1 was excluded due to uncontrolled PMT induced noise**

- **Side bands are well explained** by known background

# ~ 9% data opened (blinded analysis)

- Current data is blinded, only 9% of total data

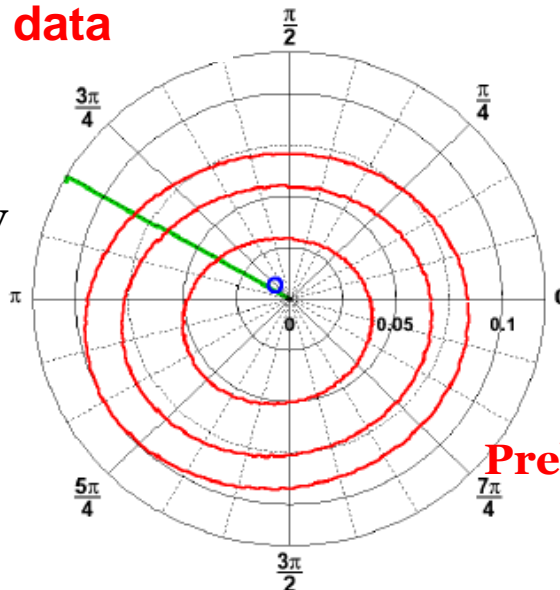


Data quality, cosmogenic component subtraction, and background modeling almost done

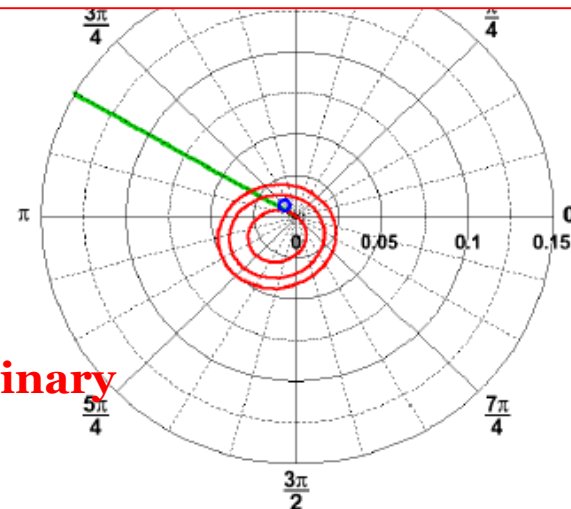
9% data

Assuming total SET2 data  
(error reduction only)

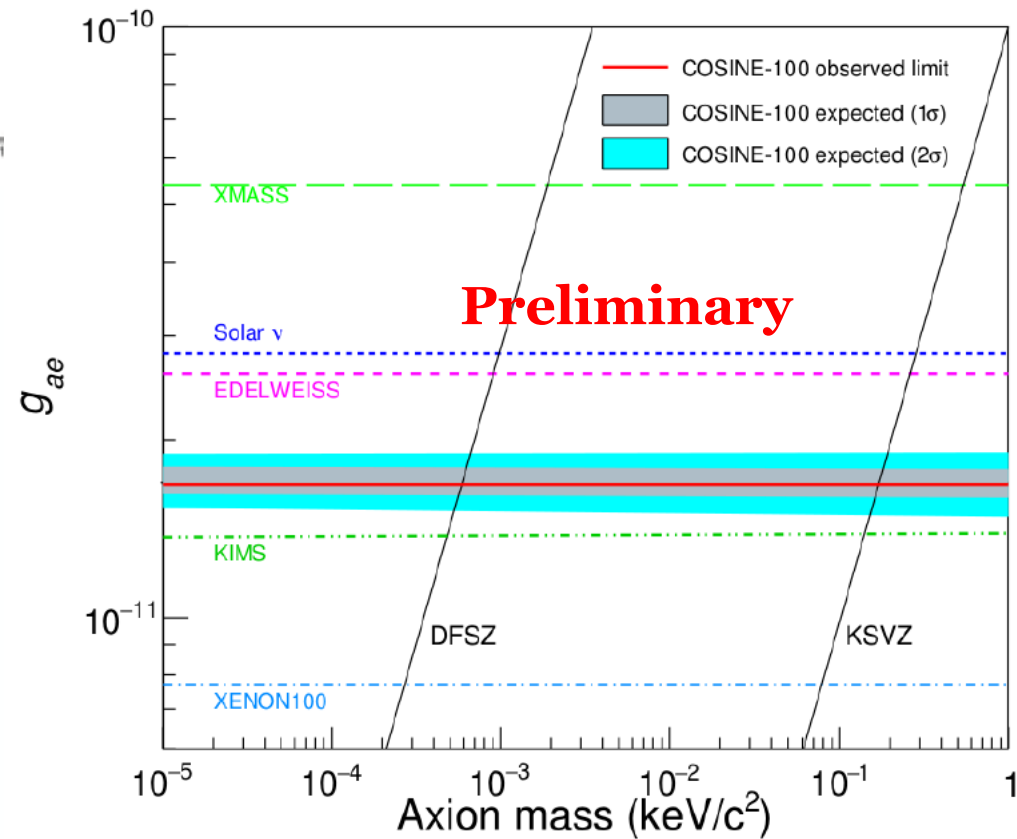
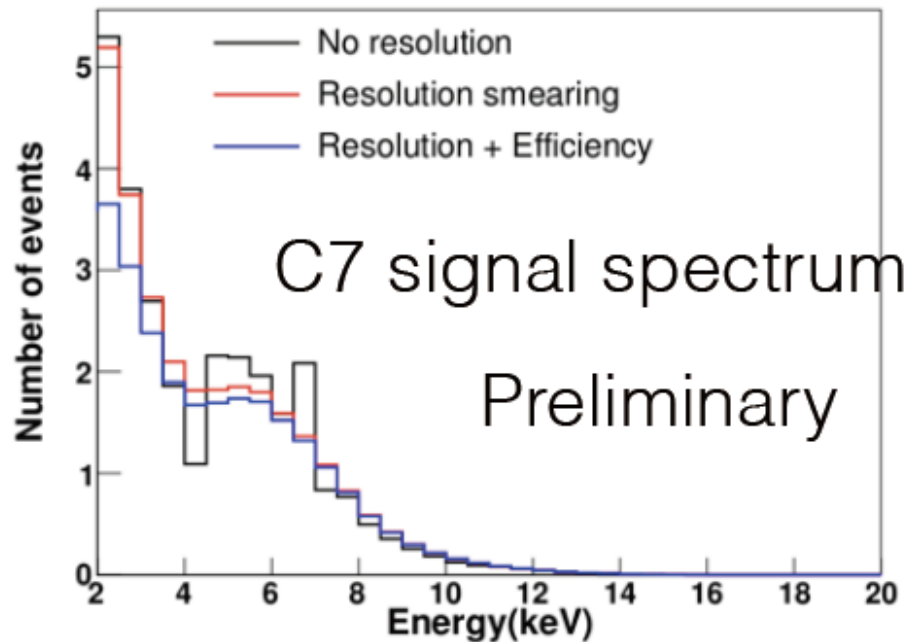
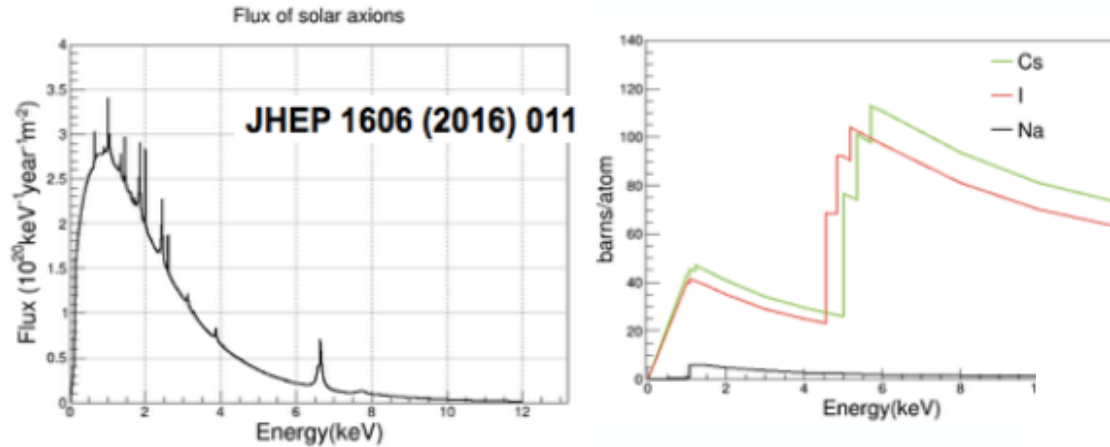
Under evaluating  
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Preliminary



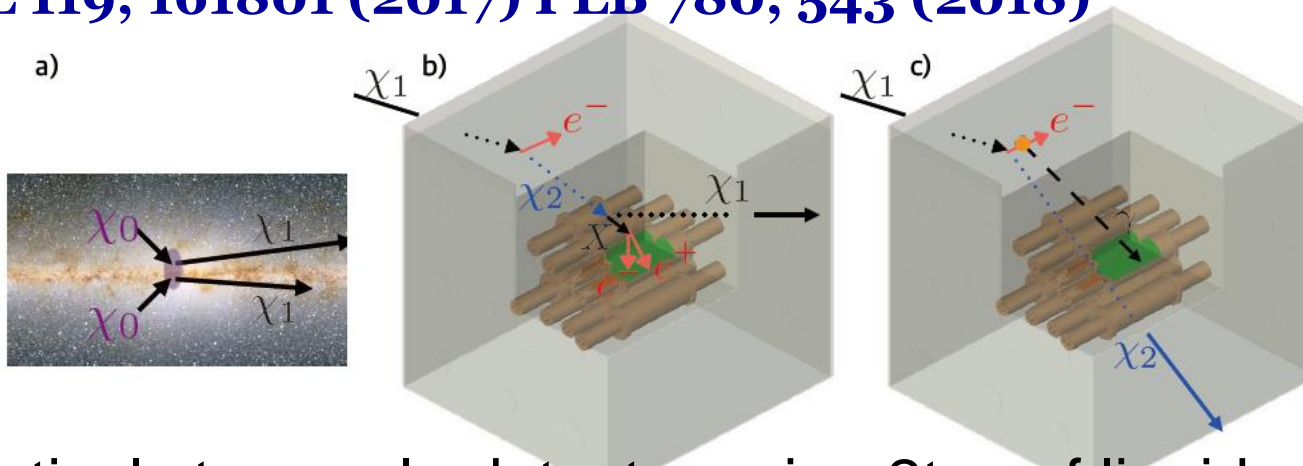
# Solar axion search



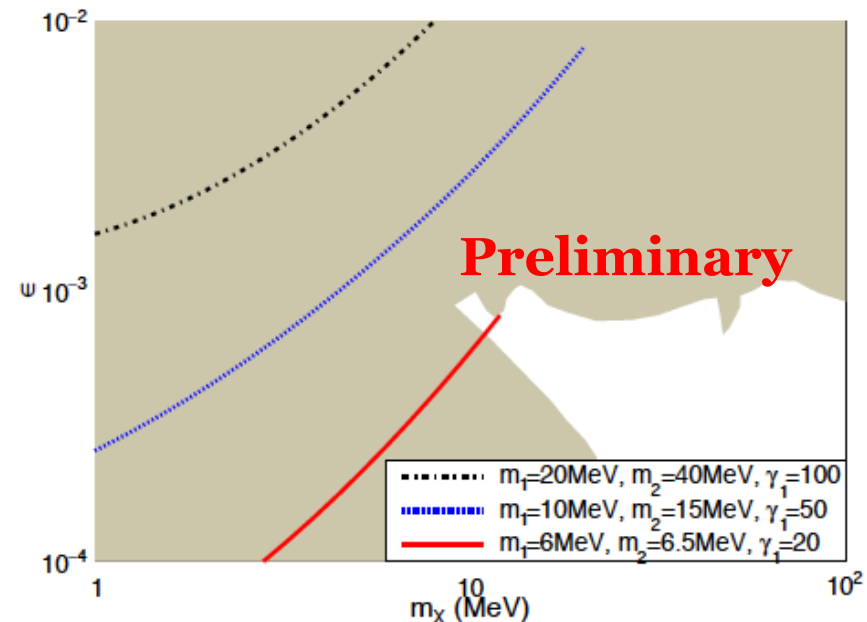
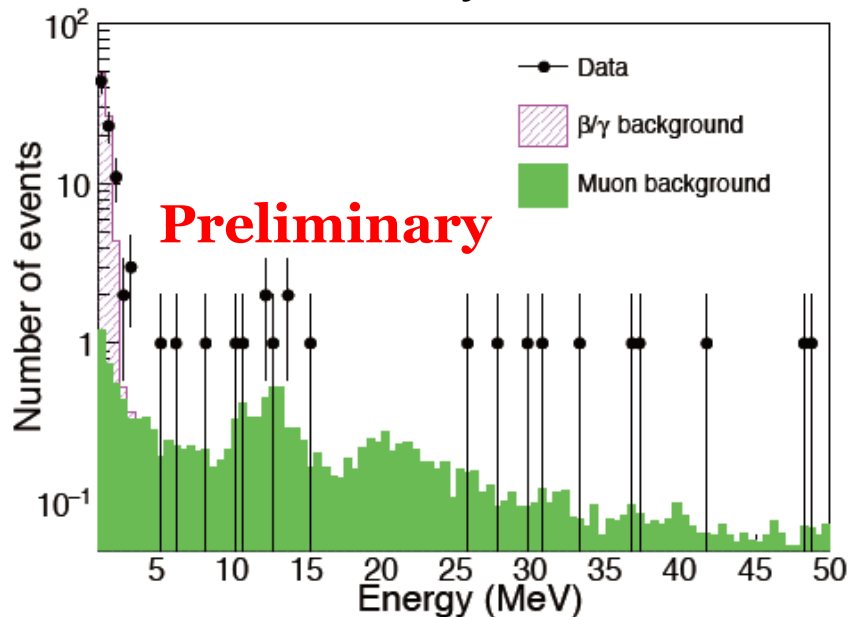


# Boosted inelastic dark matter search

PRL 119, 161801 (2017) PLB 780, 543 (2018)

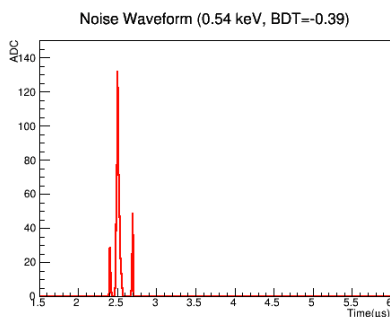
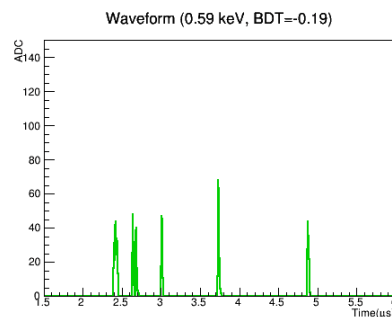
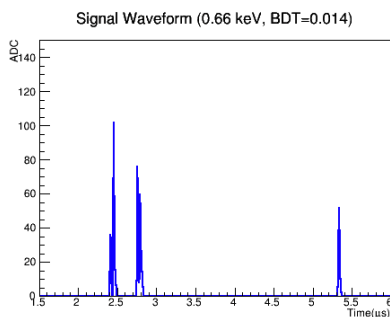
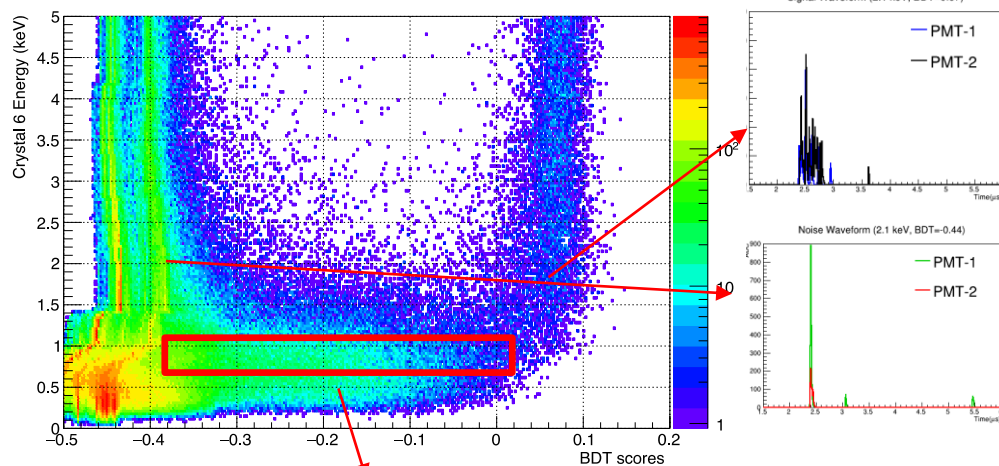


- Effectively ton scale detector using 2ton of liquid scintillator



# Analysis with 1 keV energy threshold

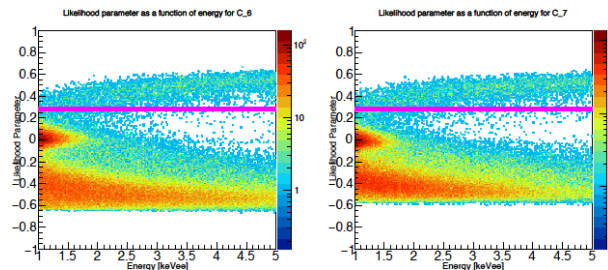
Crystal 6 Energy vs BDT



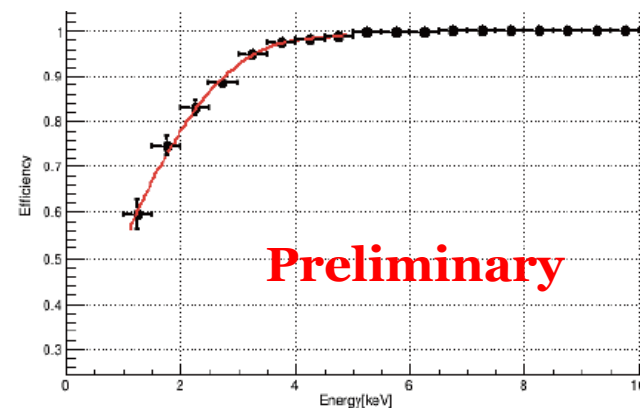
Understand signal-like events and noise-like events at low energy

Develop new parameter to reject noise-like events effectively

## Likelihood parameters for noise rejection

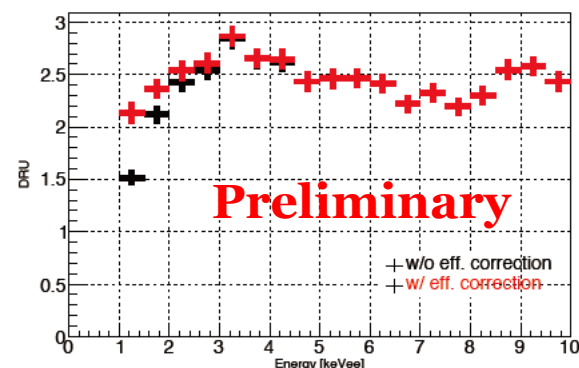


## Efficiency



Preliminary

Efficiency Corrected Spectrum for C6 [Single Hit]



Preliminary

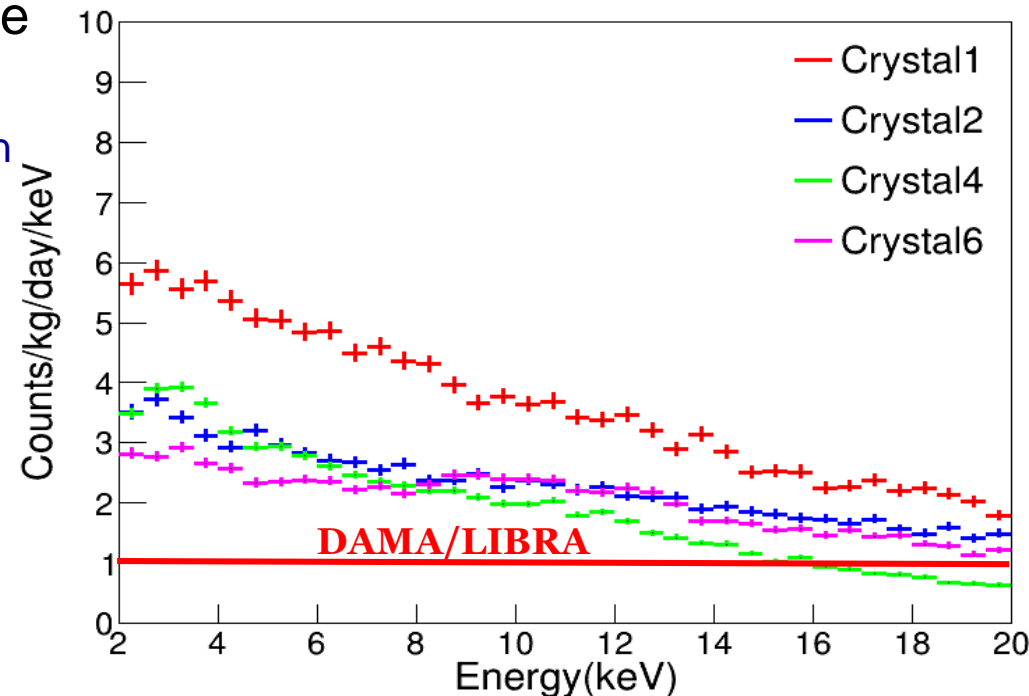
# Next phase of COSINE (COSINE-200)

- **Background levels of COSINE-100 are 2-3 times higher than DAMA/LIBRA**

- ❖ We may not resolve all possible scenarios in interpreting DAMA/LIBRA signals
- ❖ Still need to develop better crystals

- Issues are **internal  $^{40}\text{K}$ ,  $^{210}\text{Pb}$ , and  $^3\text{H}$**

- ❖  $^{40}\text{K}$  : Powder purification
- ❖  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  : Any part of powder, crystal growing, and crystal handling can make it
- ❖  $^3\text{H}$  : Cosmogenic activation



- **Extremely pure crystal development**

- ❖ From initial materials to detector assembly, we need **very careful handling**
- ❖ These are very **difficult jobs** for a private **company**
- ❖ We decided to do our **own development for the entire process**

**Cosmogenic activation will be naturally reduced if we grow the crystals in Korea**



# Nal powder purification (Lab experiment)

- Recrystallization

Saturated NaI solution  
@ 25 ° C

Evaporation of 40 % of  
H<sub>2</sub>O under vacuum

Crystallization:  
Cooling down with stirring

T ↑ 110 ° C

T ↓ 25 ° C

Purified NaI powder

NaI crystal

Drying crystal  
under vacuum  
@ 130 ° C

# Purification of NaI powder

- **Recrystallization** three times for normal grade while one times for the other pure grade powders

## ICP-MS results

Powder	$^{39}\text{K}$ (ppb)		$^{208}\text{Pb}$ (ppb)		$^{232}\text{Th}$ (ppb)		$^{238}\text{U}$ (ppb)	
	initial	After	Initial	After	Initial	After	Initial	After
Astro grade	5	< 1	0.9	<0.4	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Crystal grade	45	6	3.3	0.8	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Normal grade	240,000	210	6.9	0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1

- **Efficiency: 40% – 50%**
- **Mother solution can be reused for next recrystallization.**

Reduction for K and Pb after one recrystallization

- **K : ~ 10 reduction**
- **Pb: ~ 3 reduction**

**K.A. Shin et al., J. Rad. Nucl. Chem.  
317, 1329 (2018)**

**Goal : K less than 20 ppb**

# Purification factory

70 kg NaI powder can be loaded



Goal : K less than 20 ppb

~ 30 kg of purified NaI powder

	K (ppb)	Pb (ppb)	U (ppb)	Th (ppb)
Initial NaI	248	19.0	<0.01	<0.01
Purified NaI	<16	0.4	<0.01	<0.01

**Our system is more effective than lab experiment**



# Crystal growing

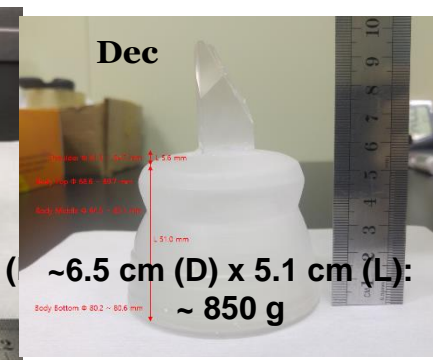
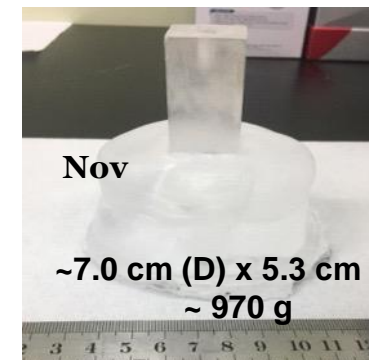
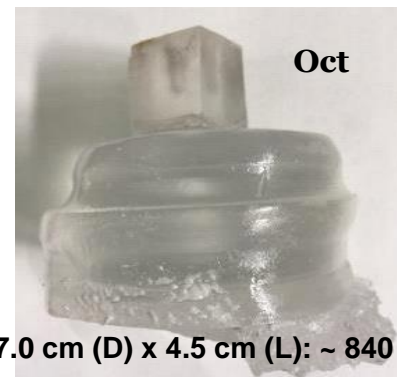
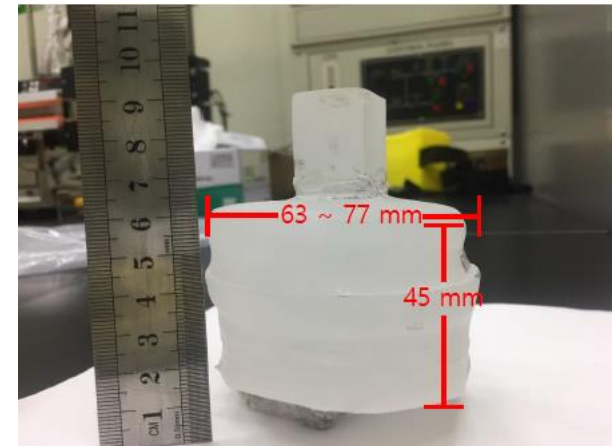
- Small crystal grower was installed at 2017



Crucible diameter is  $\phi = 15$  cm; **1~2 kg** test crystal can be grown

**Sept/2017**

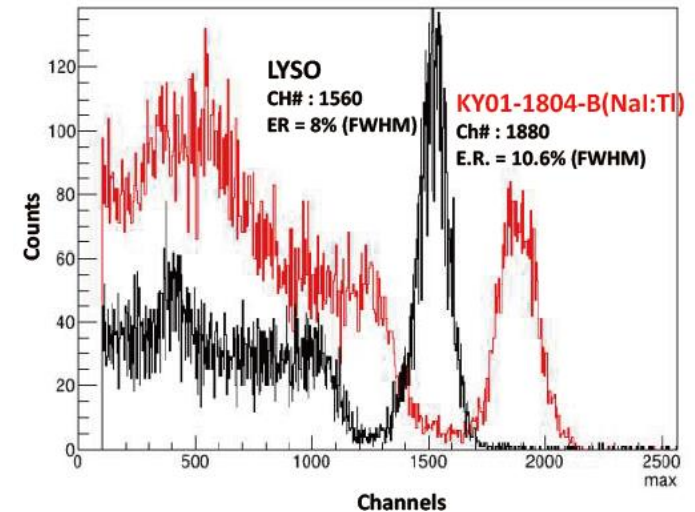
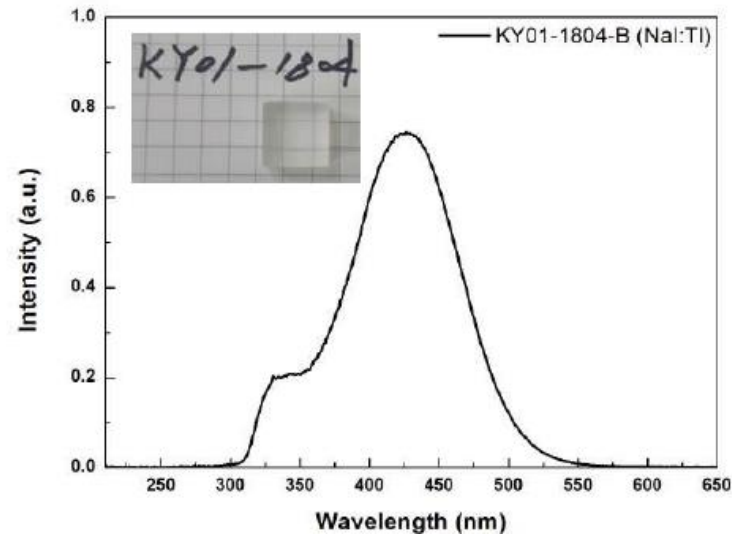
**Pure NaI**



# Tl doped crystals

Feb/2018

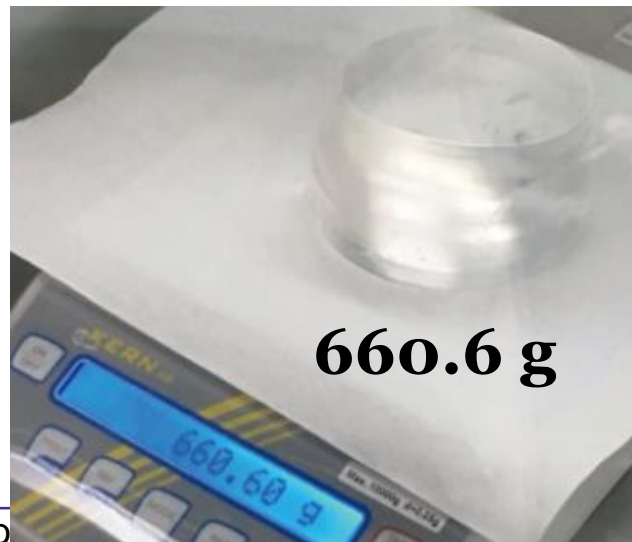
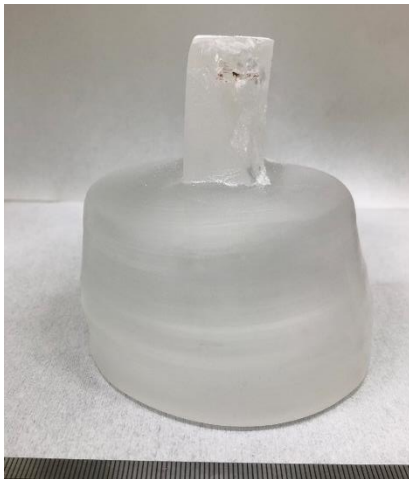
Crystal  
grade



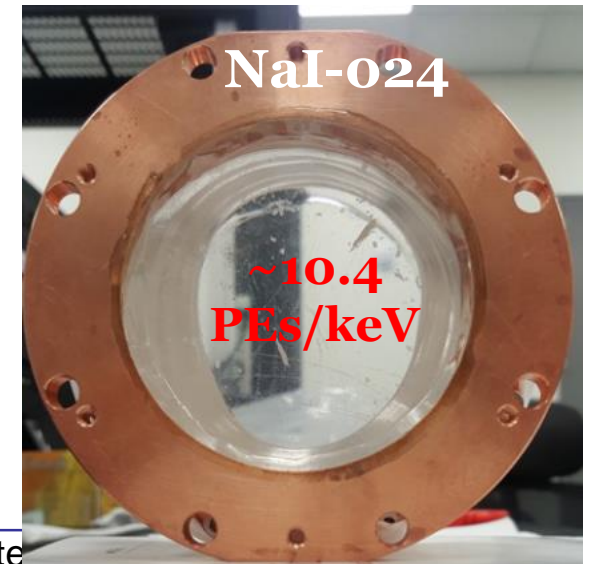
**~40,000 Photons/MeV**

May/2018

Astro  
grade



**660.6 g**



# A full size grower

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- Full size grower & annealing furnace were installed ( $\phi = 60$  cm )
  - ❖ Similar growing machine as the DAMA/LIBRA crystals
  - ❖ Maximum powder loading :120 kg
    - About three full size detectors (12.5 kg) per ingot



- Tests on temperature control & mechanical operation were done
- Real experiments will be started soon

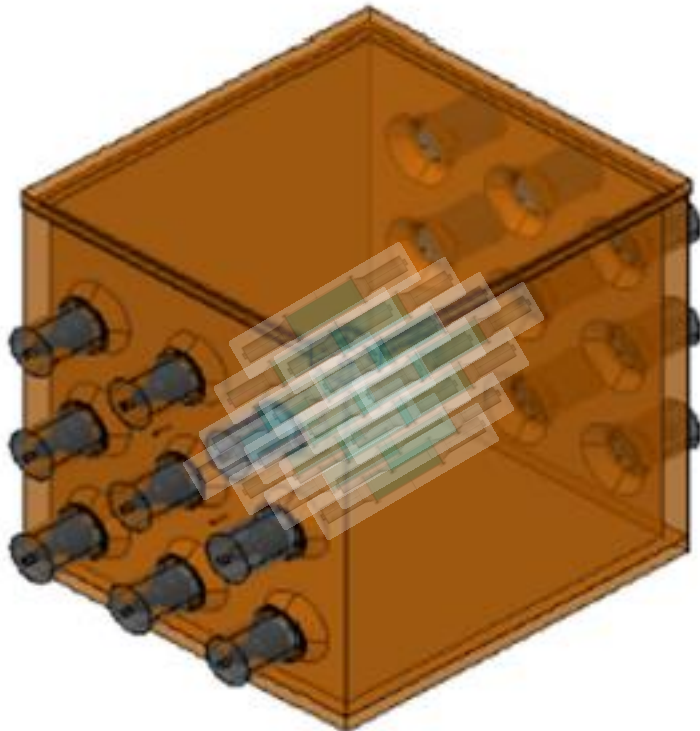


# COSINE-200

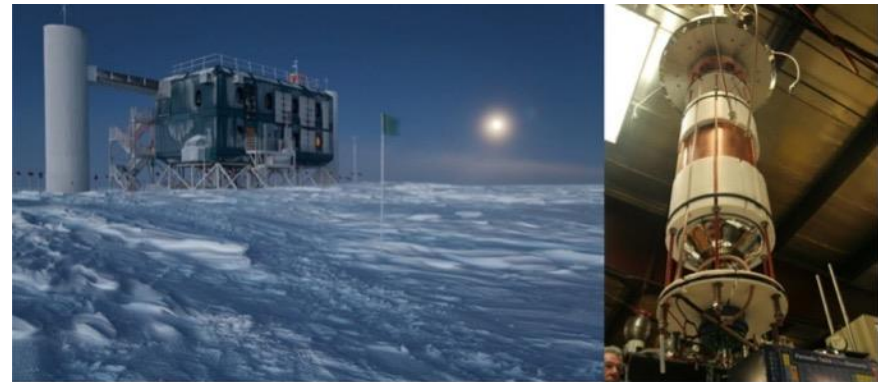
- Current COSINE-100 shield designed to accommodate 16 of 12.5 kg crystals = **200 kg**

**Total 200 kg**

**Another 200 kg in **south pole** ? If we have same modulation..**



**Y<sub>2</sub>L**



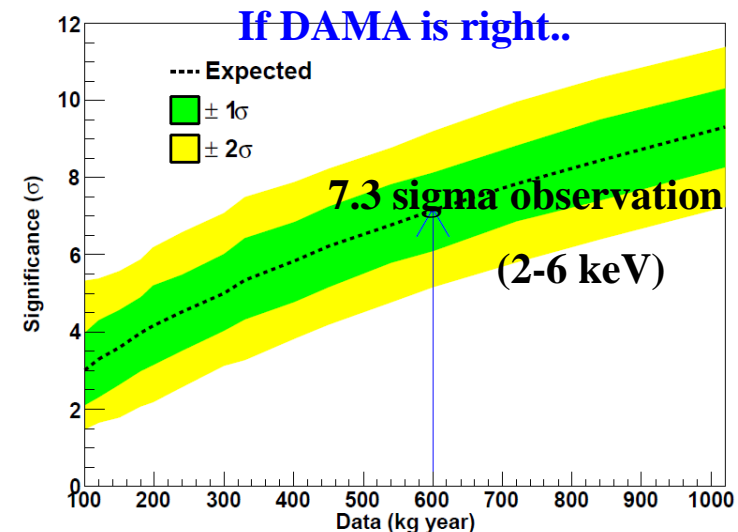
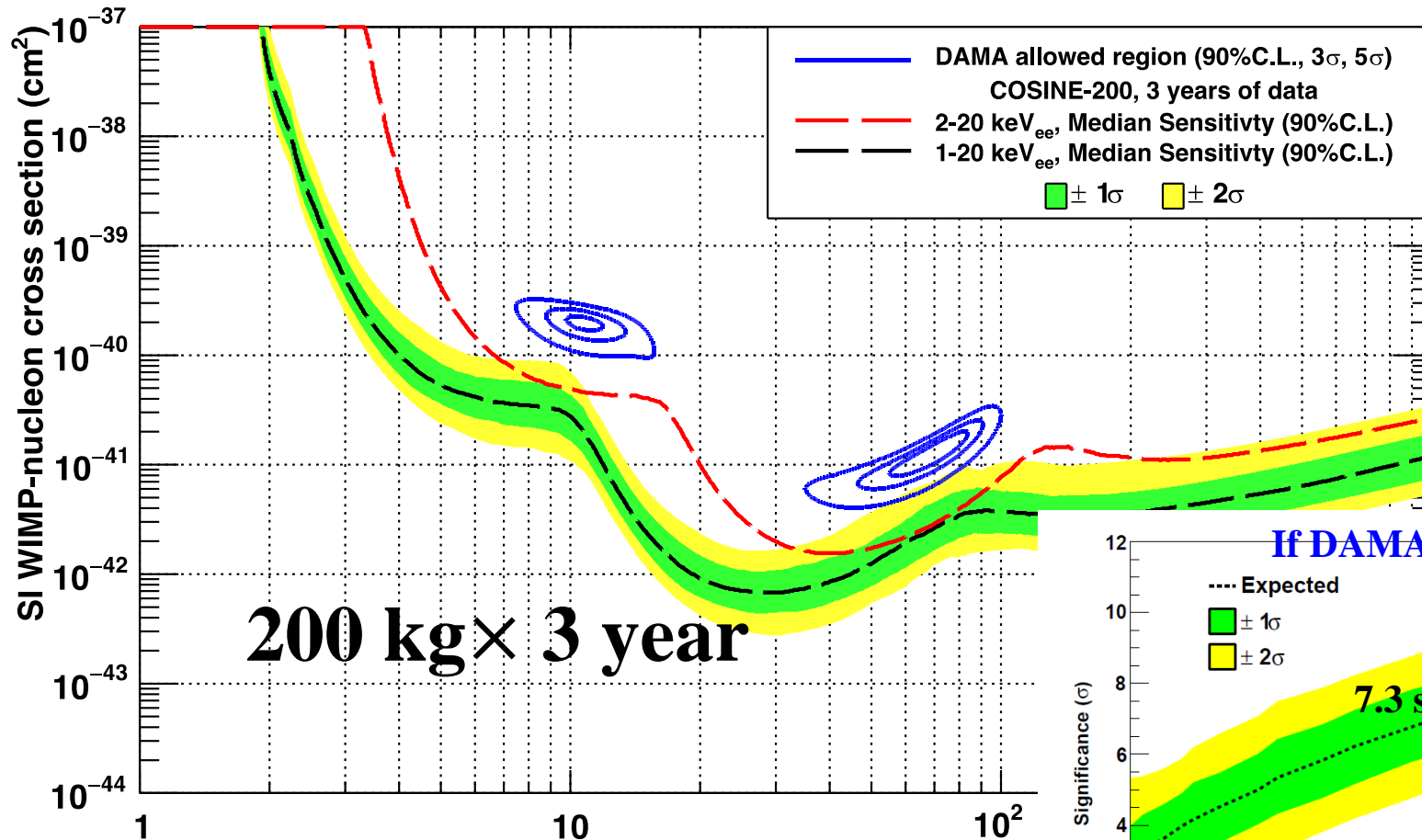
**Under consideration**

**2022-2023 (IceCube upgrade)**



# COSINE-200 sensitivity (Modulation)

- 1 dru background (same as DAMA/LIBRA)



**Model independent comparison of the modulation amplitude at 2-6 keV will be performed**

# Summary

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- COSINE-100 detector was installed at Y2L and runs smoothly for about two years
- COSINE-100 detector is well understood
  - ❖  $\sim 2.7$  counts/day/kg/keV with 2 keV threshold for best crystal
- COSINE-100 confirms that DAMA's modulation signal cannot be from standard WIMP in SHM with same NaI(Tl)
- Modulation analysis of COSINE-100 is ongoing
- Preparing 1keV threshold analysis
- COSINE-200 is under preparation
  - ❖ Unambiguous conclusion for the DAMA/LIBRA signals
  - ❖ Goal to start  $\sim 200$  kg experiment at 2019 with less than 1 dnu background