

# CUPID: The next generation upgrade of CUORE to search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

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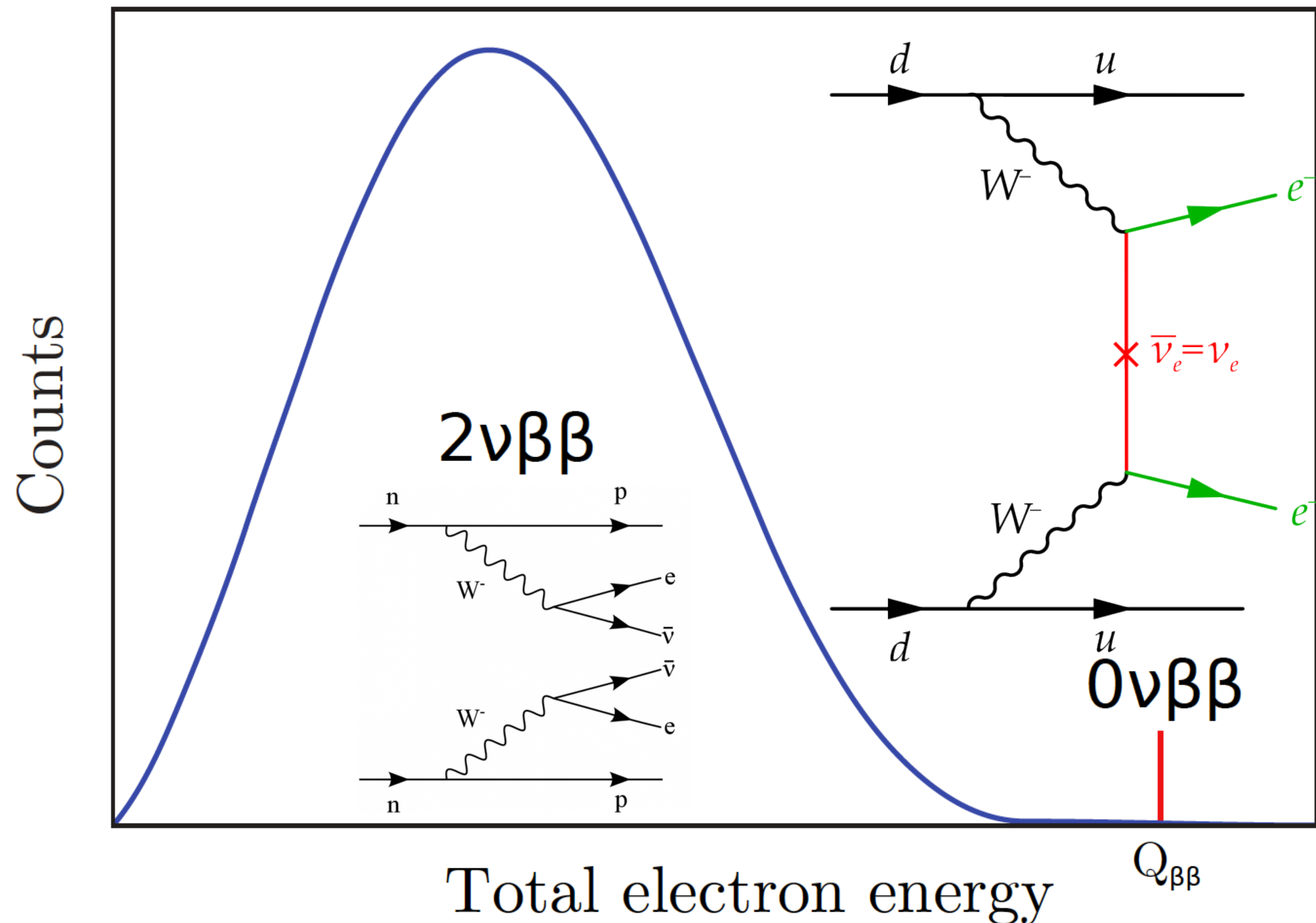


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# Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay

- $2\nu\beta\beta$  is a rare standard model process predicted in 1935 by Maria Goeppert-Mayer
- Broad energy distribution
- Observed half-life  $\tau > 10^{19}$  years
- Even-even nuclei
- 35 known isotopes
- $0\nu\beta\beta$  is a hypothetical decay mode if the neutrino is a Majorana fermion
- $\Delta L=2 \Rightarrow$  lepton number violation!
- New physics!
- Leptogenesis: matter/anti-matter asymmetry
- Constraints on  $\nu$  mass hierarchy



# Experimental Searches

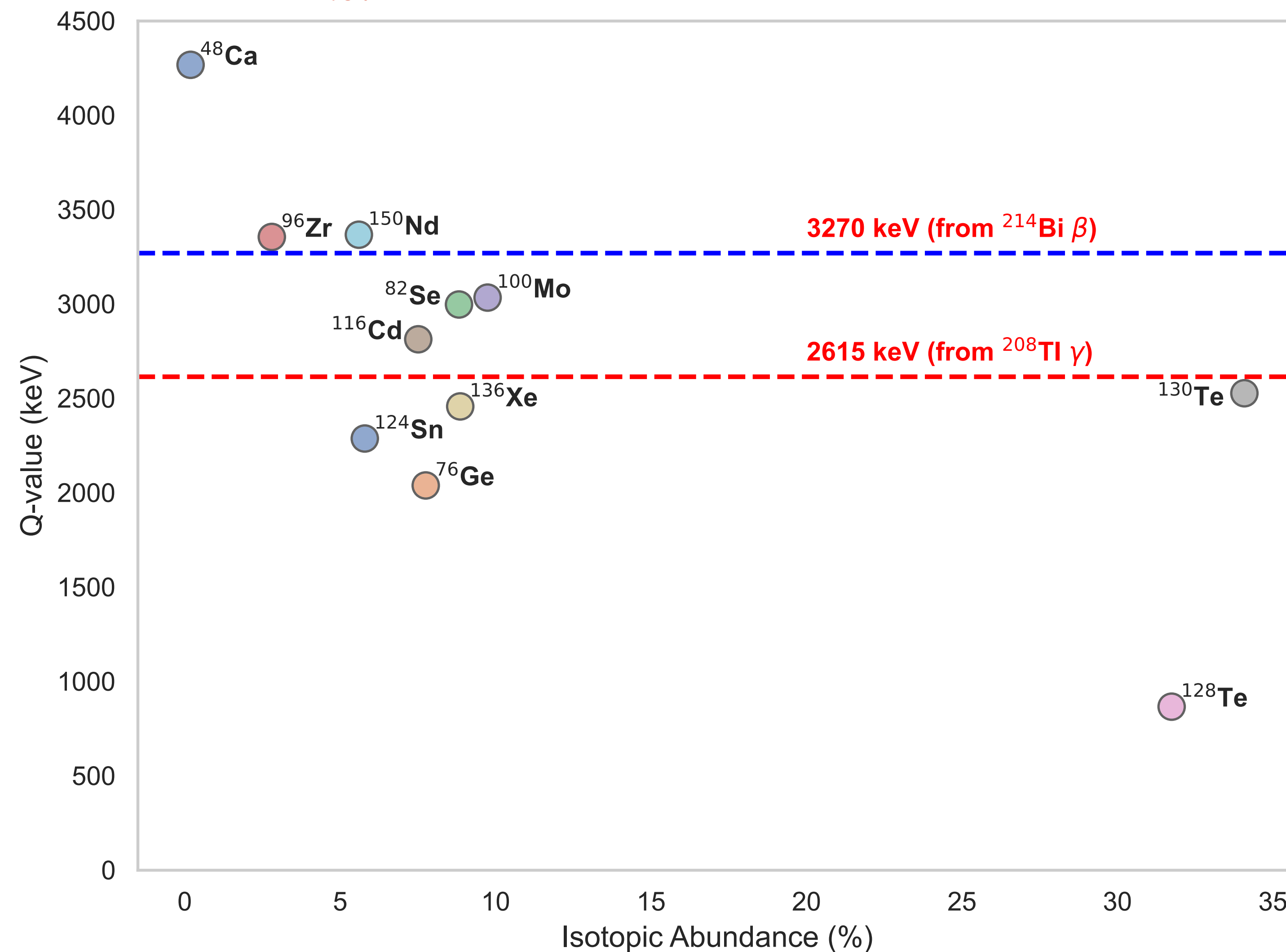
- Isotope choice important
- Background due to radioactive contaminants
- Energy resolution
- Exposure (MT)
- Detection efficiency

Background Limited

$$S \propto \frac{N_A a \eta \epsilon}{M_{mol}} \sqrt{\frac{MT}{b \Delta E}}$$

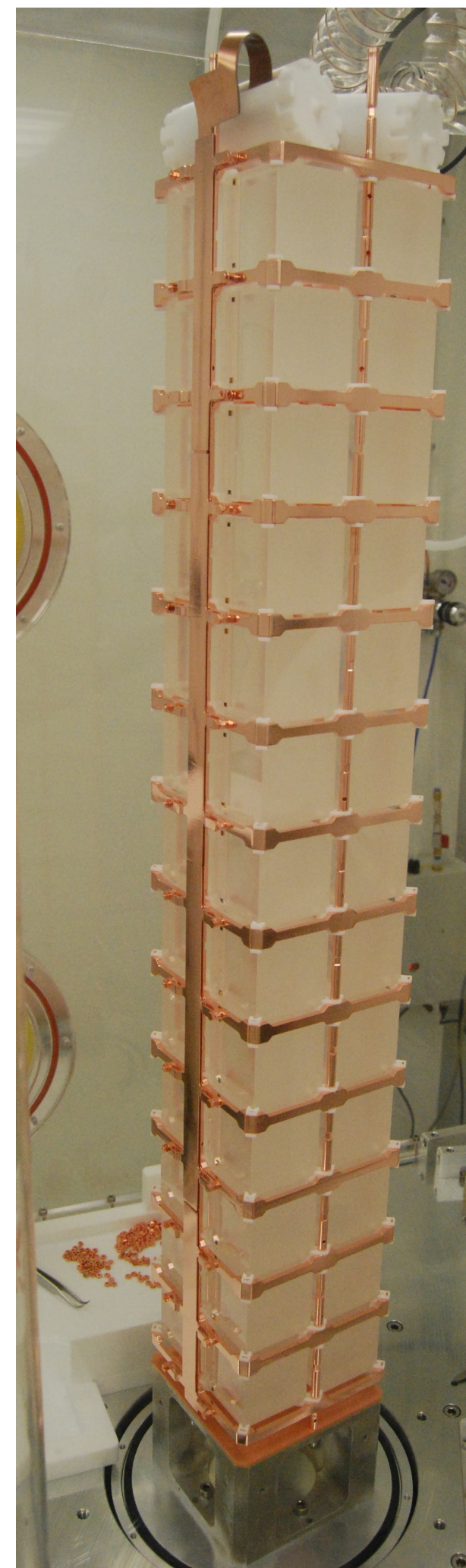
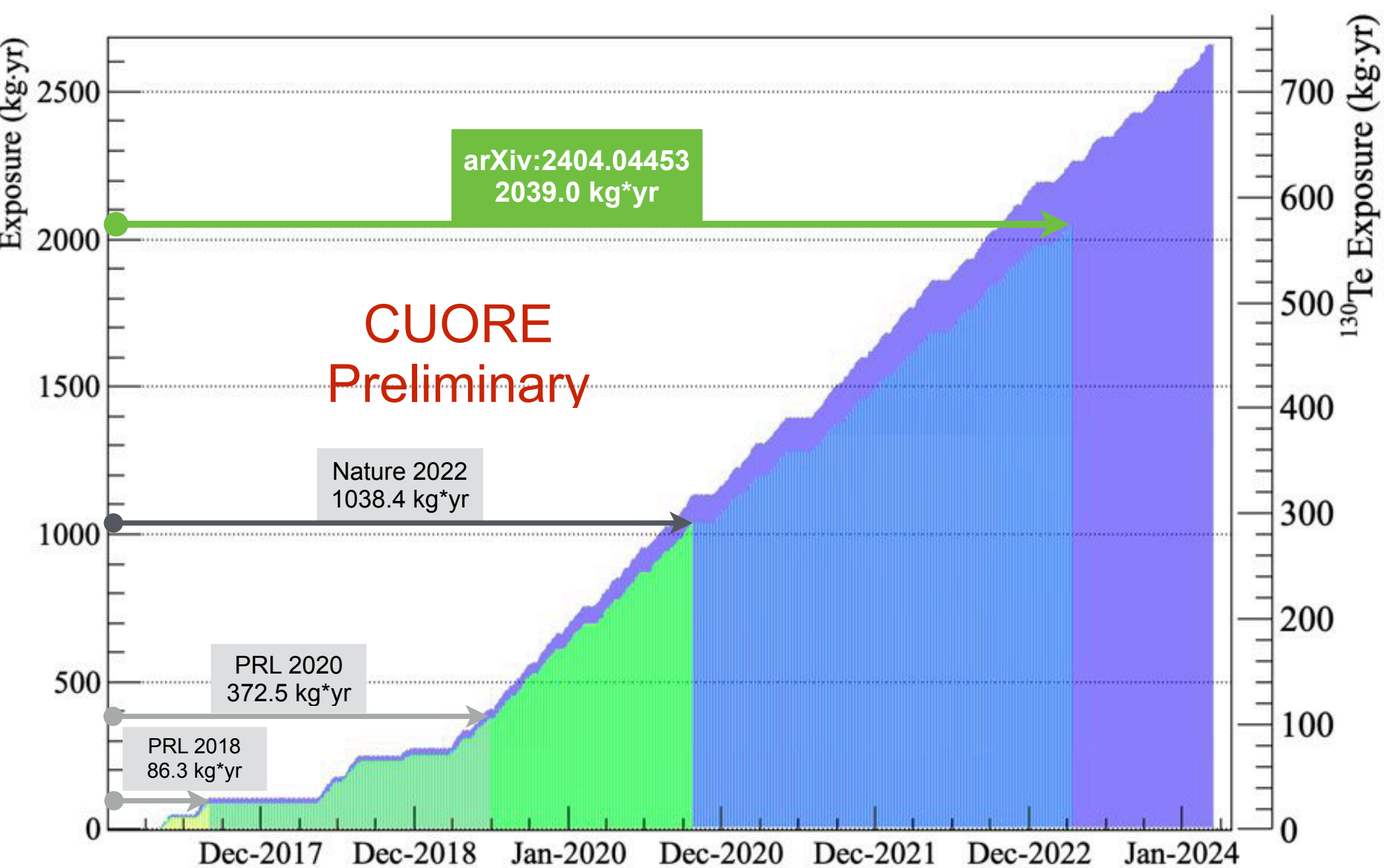
Background Free

$$S \propto \frac{N_A a \eta \epsilon}{M_{mol}} MT$$

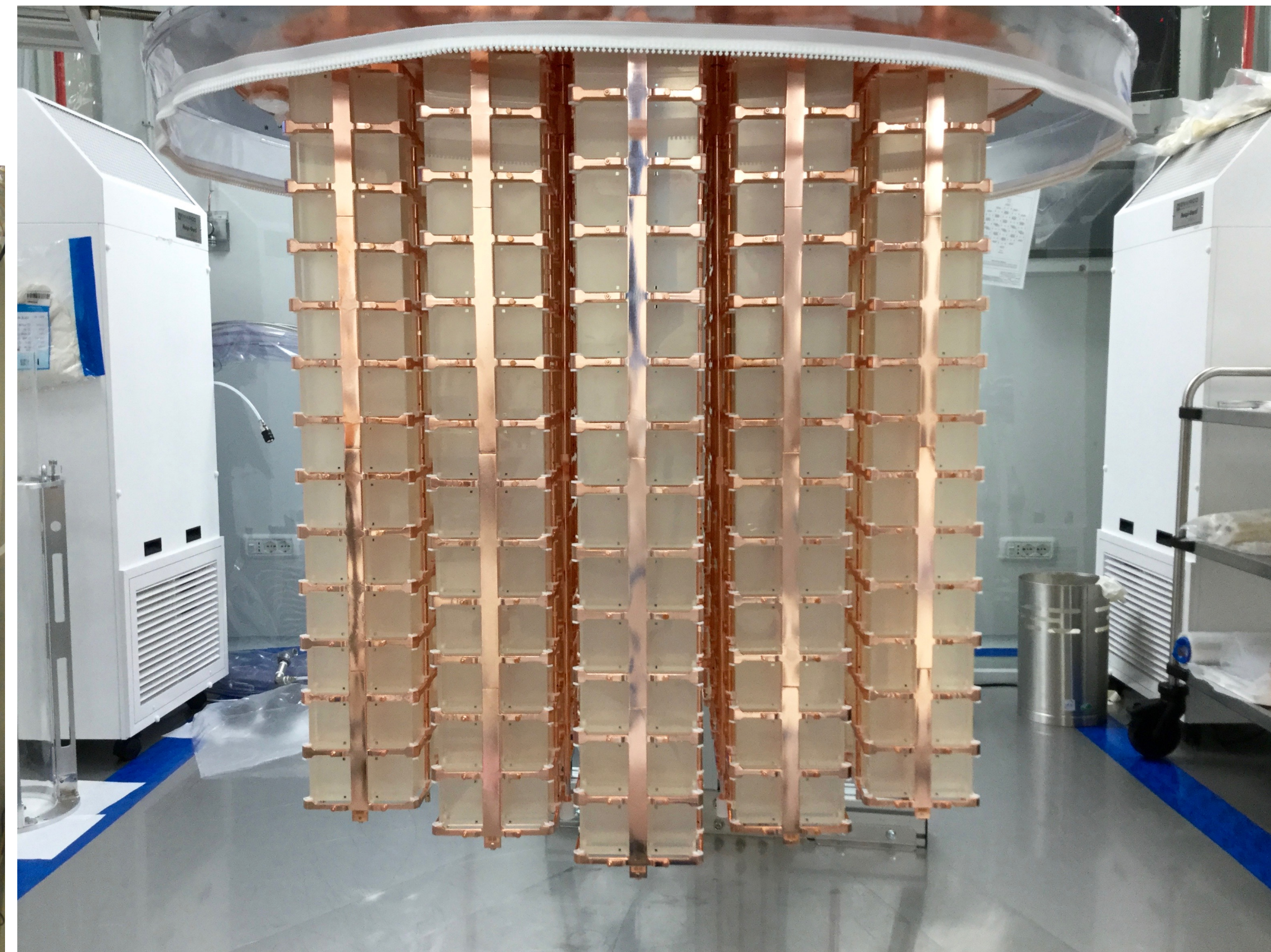


# CUORE

- Array of 988 5x5x5 cm<sup>3</sup> natTeO<sub>2</sub> crystals (742 kg)
- <sup>130</sup>Te active isotope (206 kg)
- $Q_{\beta\beta} \sim 2527.52$  keV
- Source = detector
- $0\nu\beta\beta$  containment  $\epsilon \sim 88\%$
- 984 active channels!



**CUORE Tower**



**CUORE Detector Fully Assembled**

**19 towers, 13 floors, 4 per floor**

Median Exclusion Sensitivity:  $4.4 \times 10^{25}$  yr  
(66.6% chance of more stringent limit)

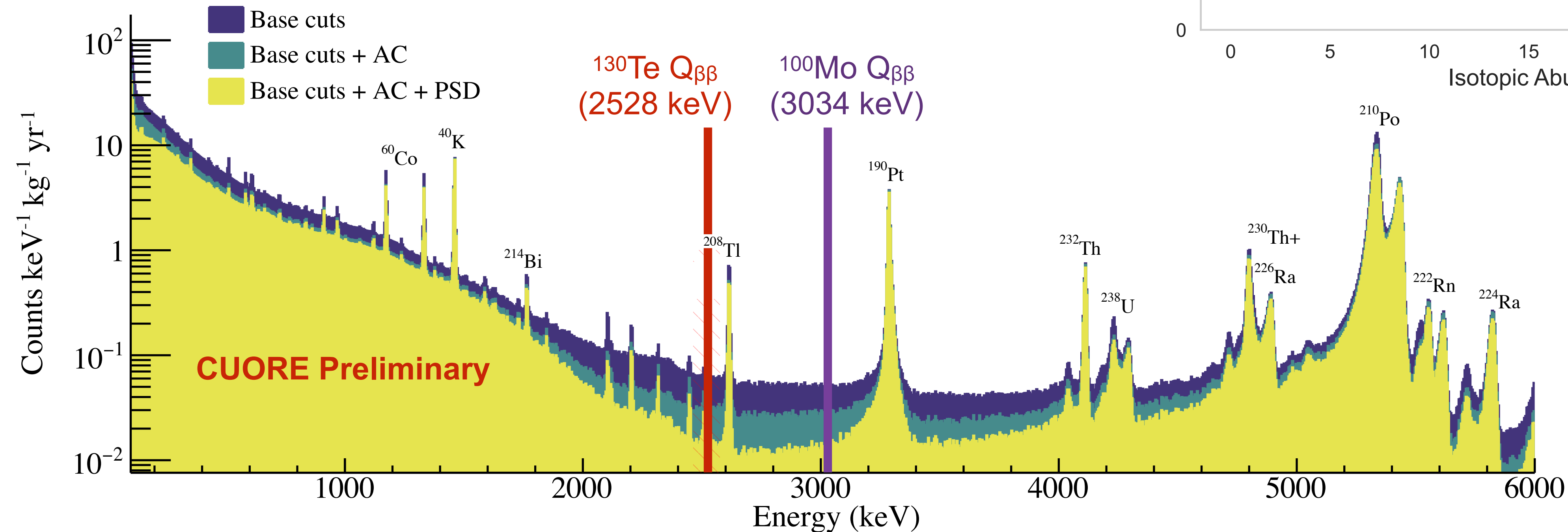
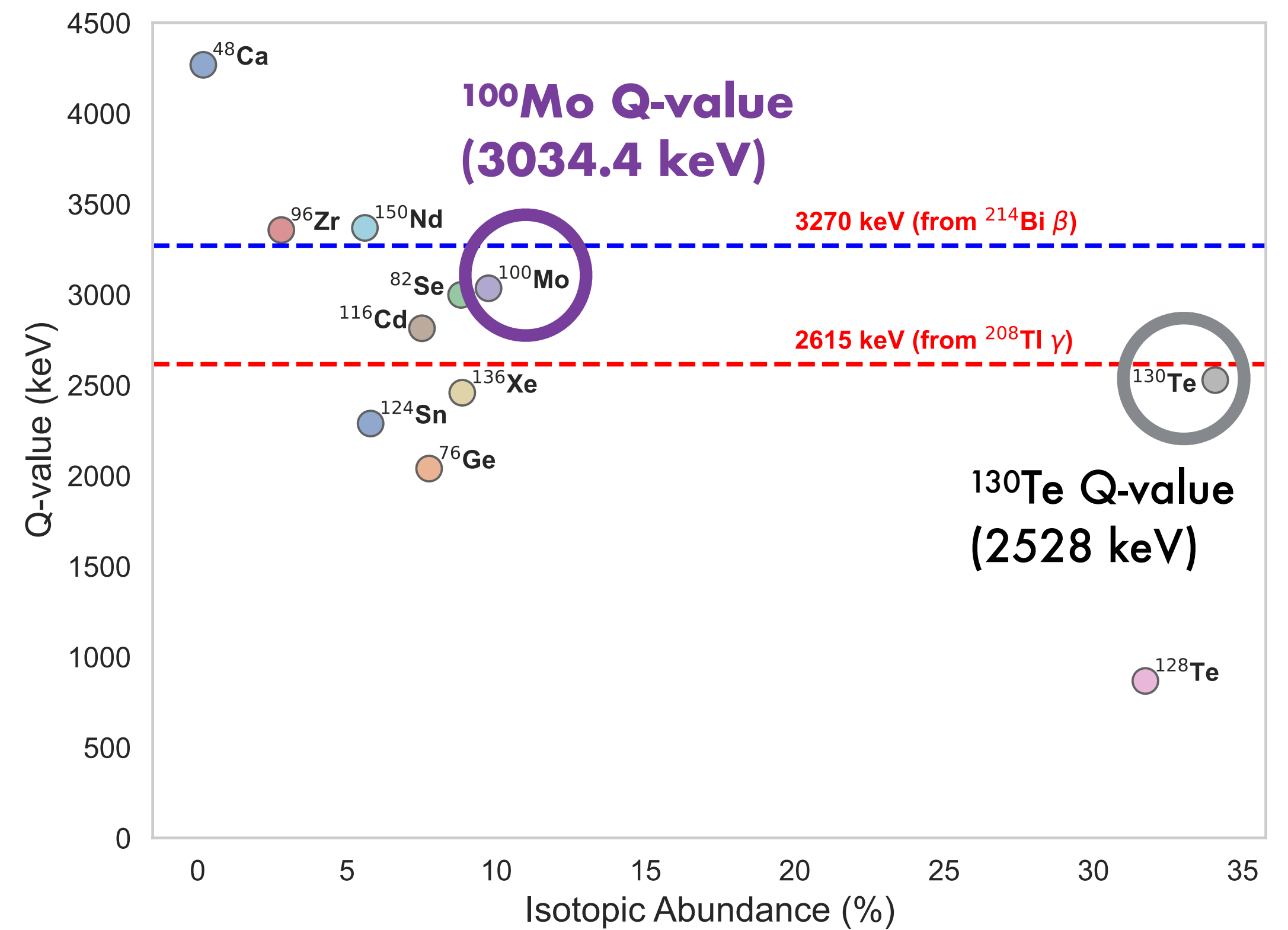
$m_{\beta\beta} < [70 - 240]$  meV (depending on NME)

Average BI:  $(1.42 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-2}$  cts/keV/kg/yr

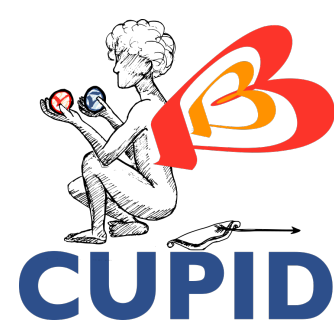
# CUORE => CUPID

- CUORE uses  $^{130}\text{Te}$  (Q-value 2527.515 keV)
- Results published so far
- Degraded  $\alpha$ 's pose problem
- CUORE Upgrade with Particle ID (CUPID)
- Use scintillating calorimeters =>  $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  (LMO)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 132501  
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 Nature 604, 53–58 (2022) (1 Ton-yr)  
 arXiv: 2404.04453 (2 ton-yr)

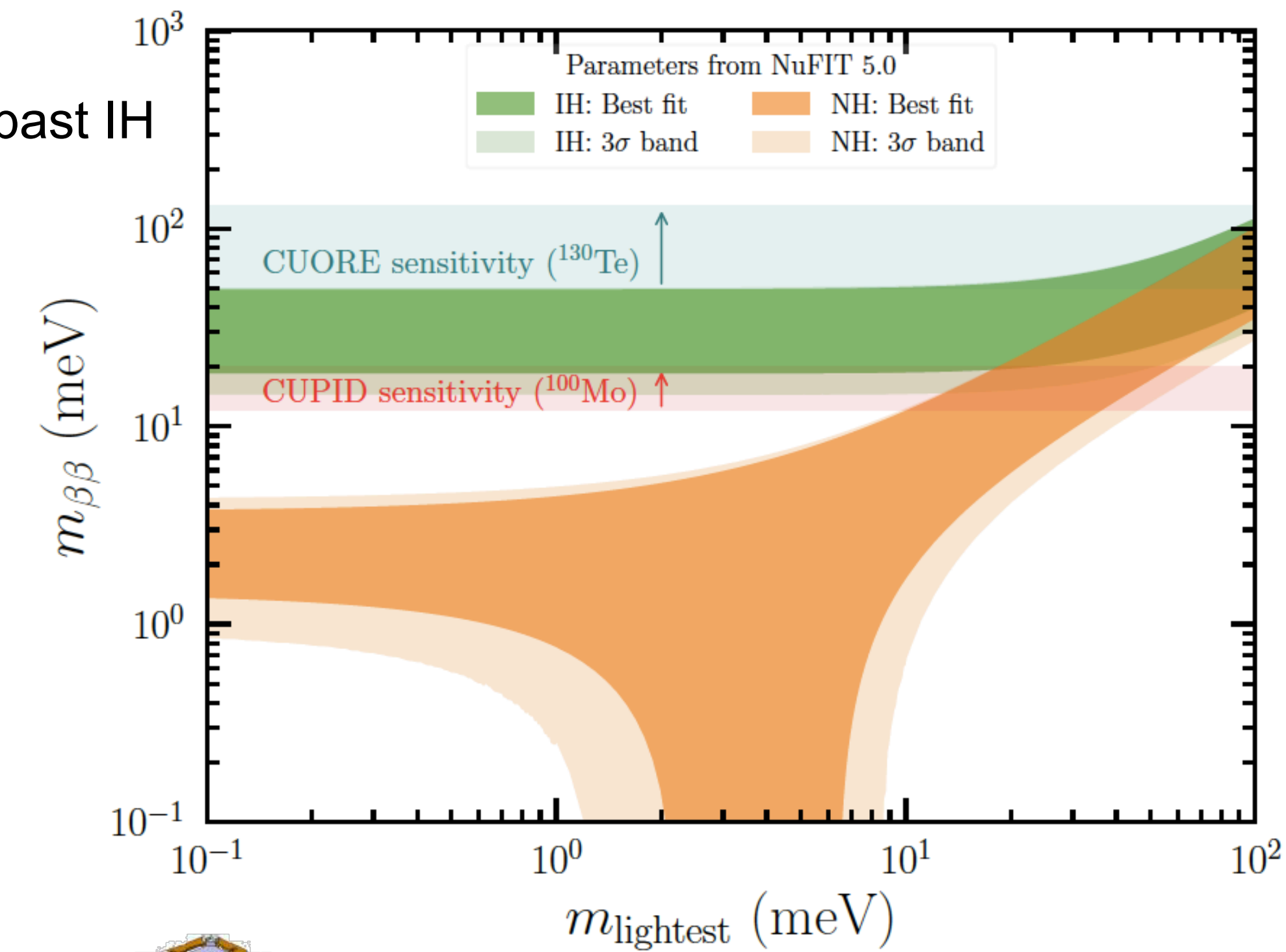
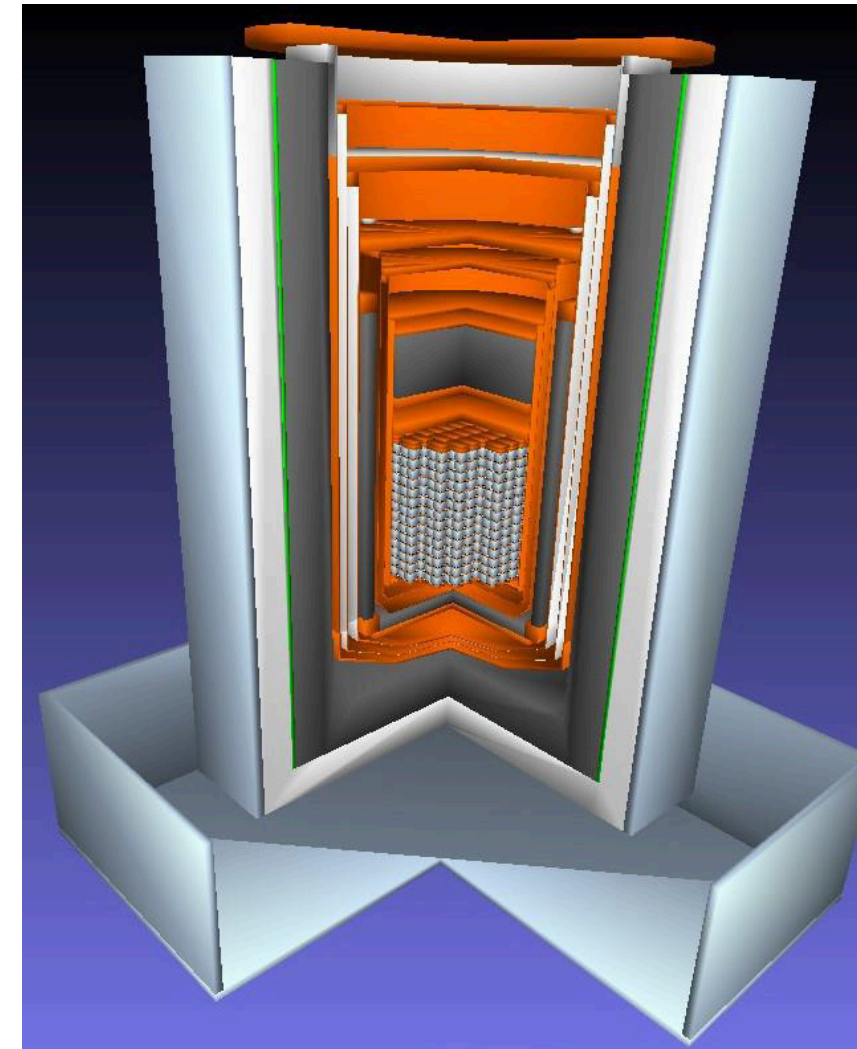


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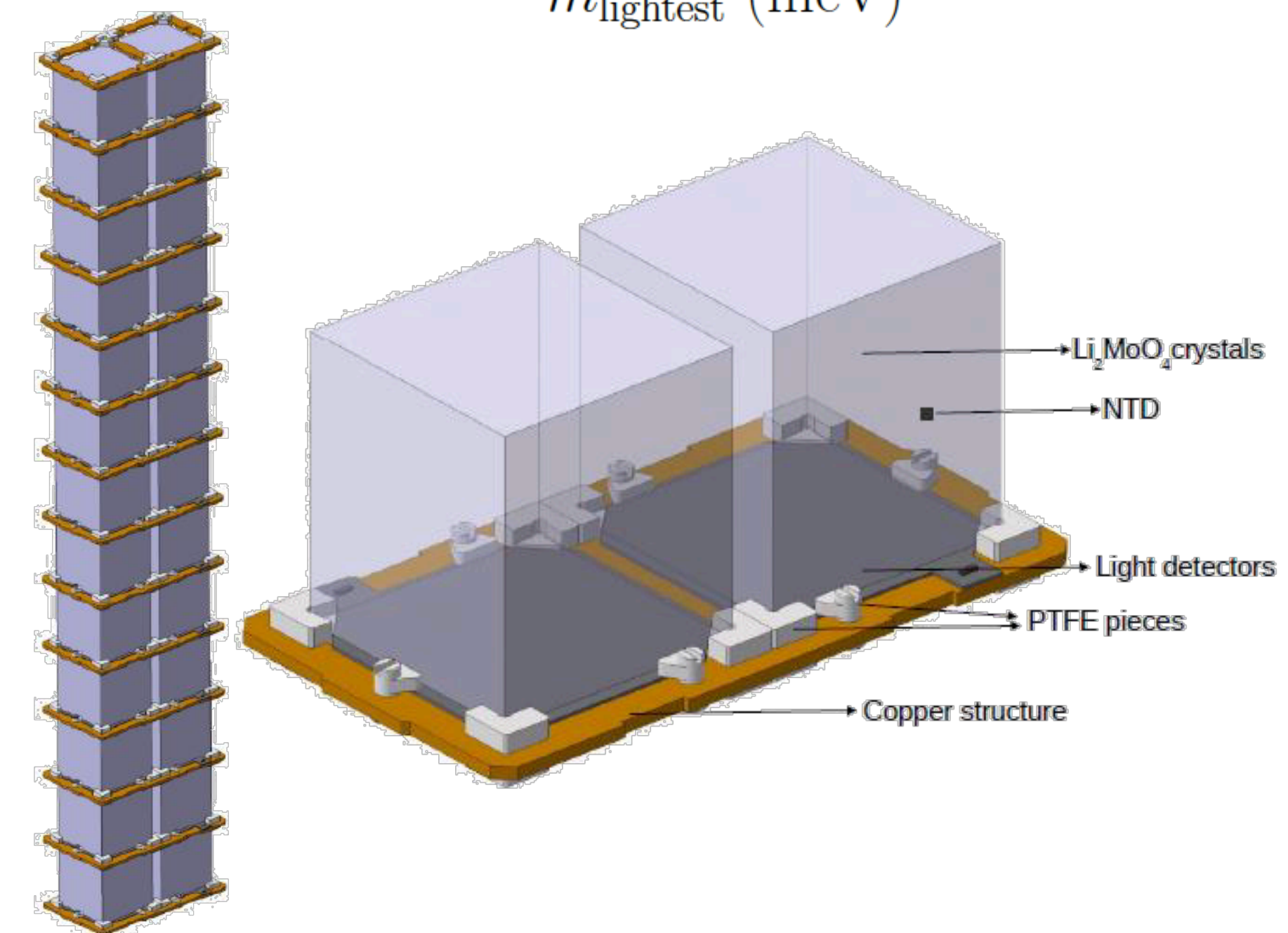
Aim to explore past IH

- CUPID: CUORE Upgrade with Particle ID
- $^{100}\text{Mo}$  enriched  $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$  crystals
- Builds off successful demonstration of CUPID-Mo + experience of CUORE
- Scintillating calorimeters using NTD-Ge thermistors
- Meant to fully probe the inverted hierarchy region



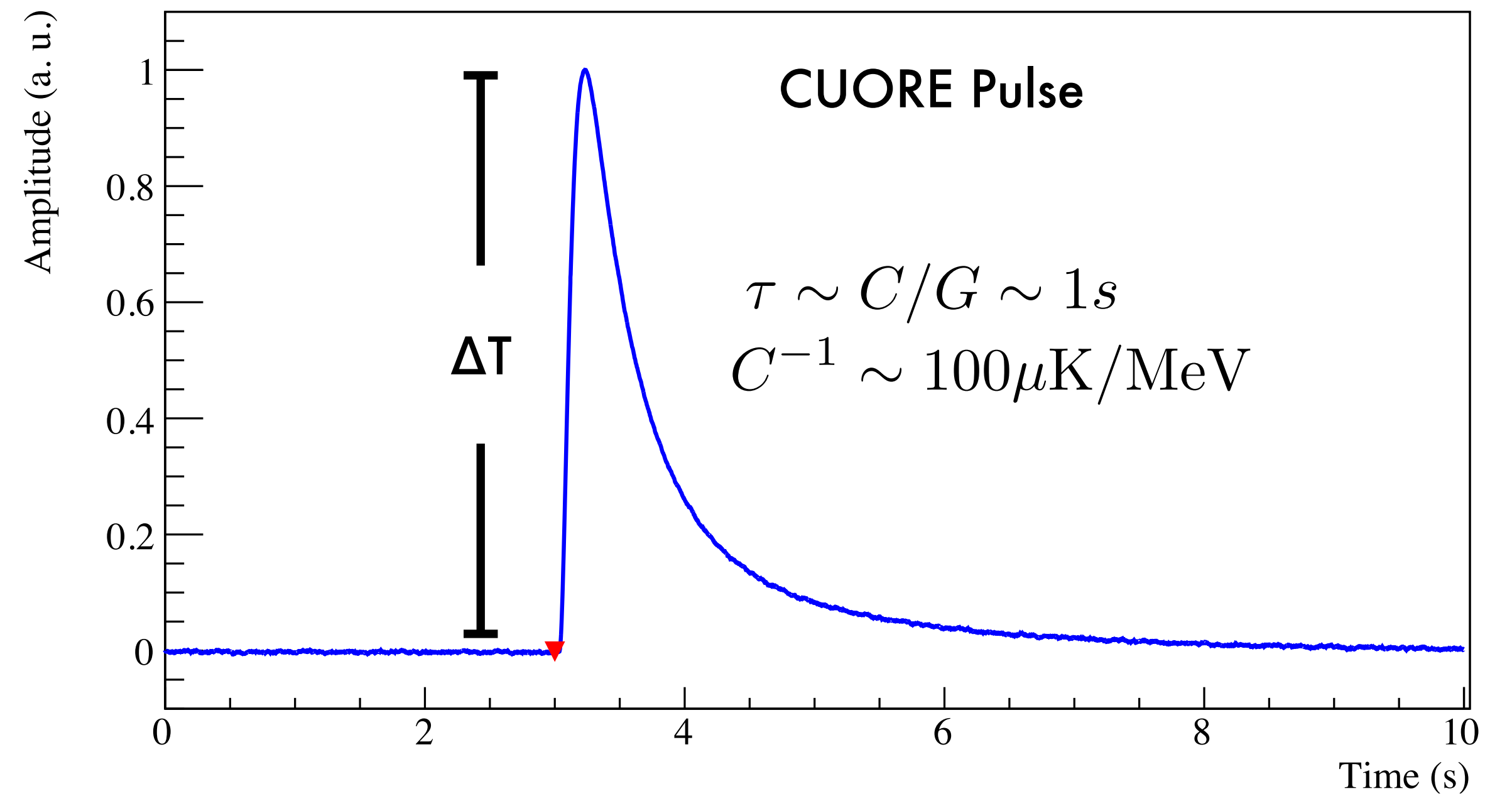
### CUPID Numbers

- ◆  $45 \times 45 \times 45 \text{ mm}^3$  cubic crystals  $\sim 280 \text{ g}$
- ◆ Each facing 2 Ge LD
- ◆ 1596 LMO crystals total (95% enrichment)
- ◆ 1710 Ge LDs
- ◆  $\delta E Q_{\beta\beta}: \leq 5 \text{ keV FWHM}$
- ◆ LD baseline resolution: 100 eV RMS
- ◆ LD timing resolution:  $< 170 \mu\text{s}$
- ◆ Background Index:  $< 10^{-4} \text{ cts/keV/kg/yr}$
- ◆ Half-life exclusion sensitivity:  $1.4 \times 10^{27} \text{ yr}$

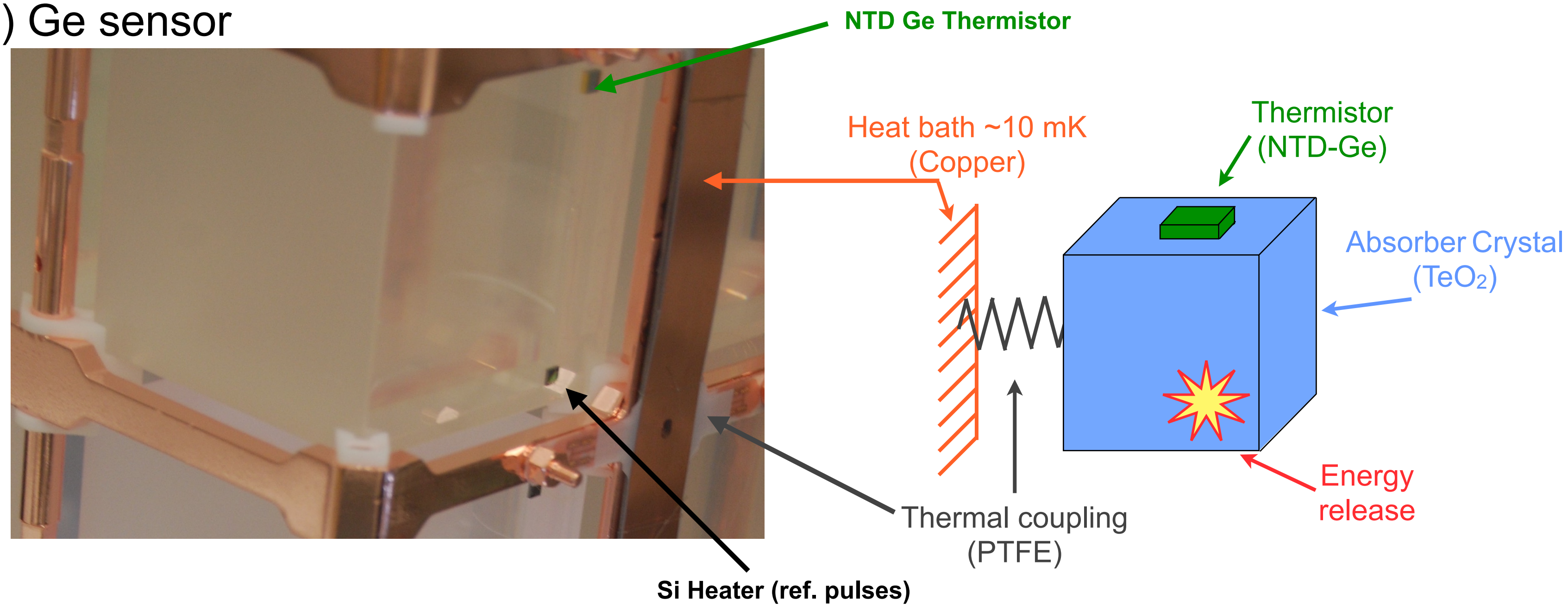
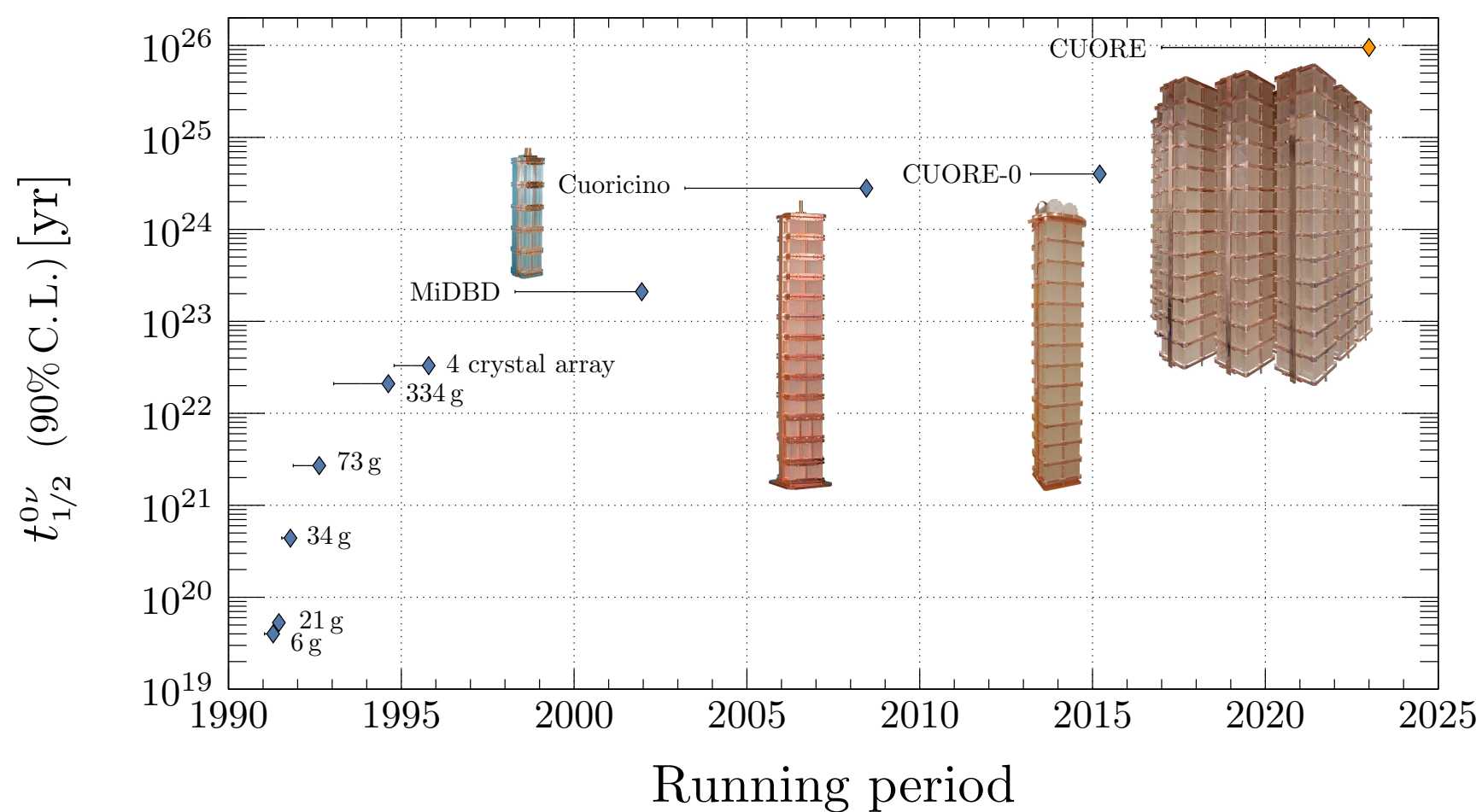


# Calorimetric Sensors

- Sensitive devices with good energy resolution
- Deposited energy changes temperature  $\Delta T = E_{ev}/C_{crys}$
- CUORE uses  $\text{TeO}_2$  crystals
  - 5 cm x 5cm x 5cm
  - Neutron transmutation doped (NTD) Ge sensor

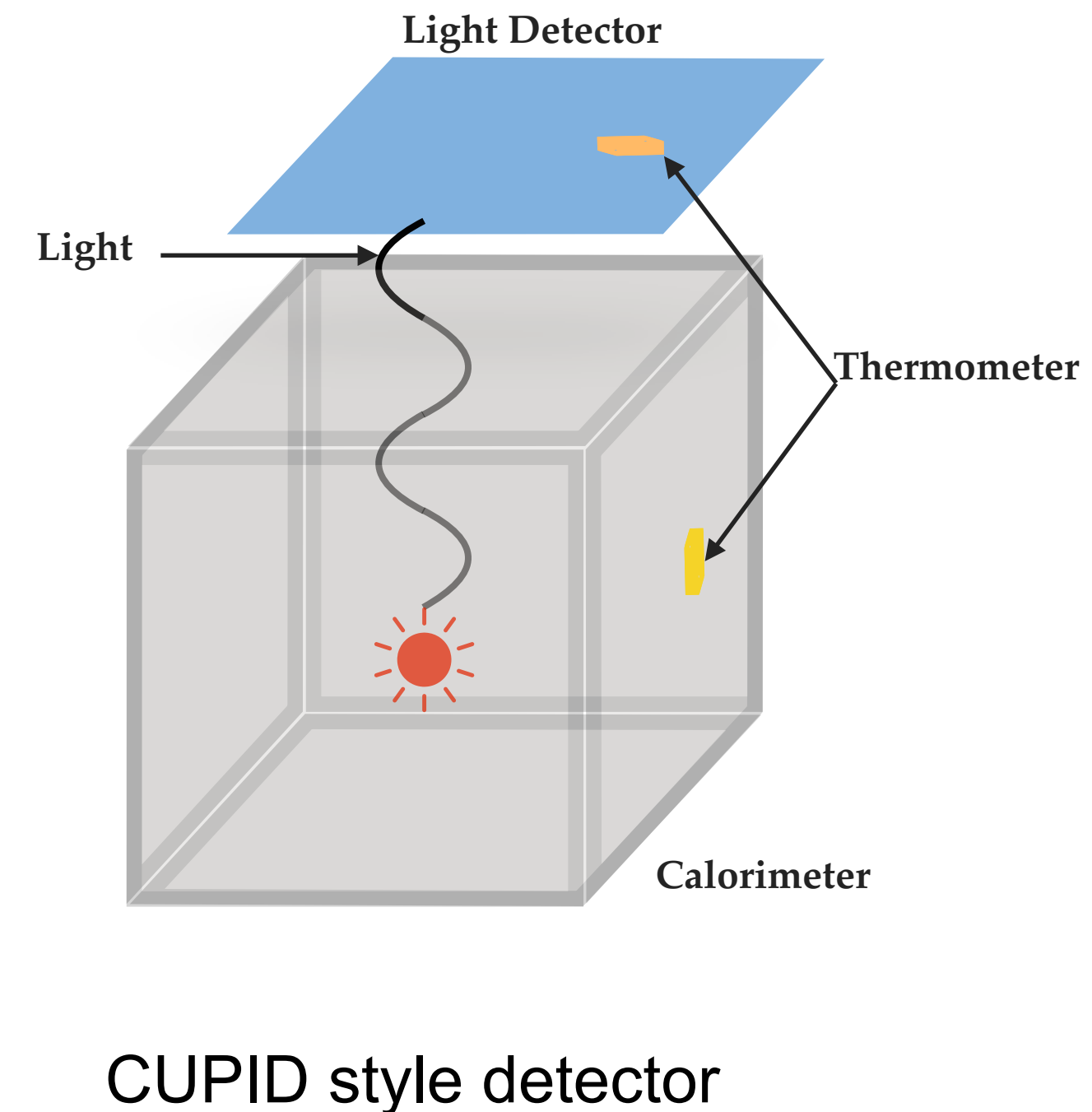
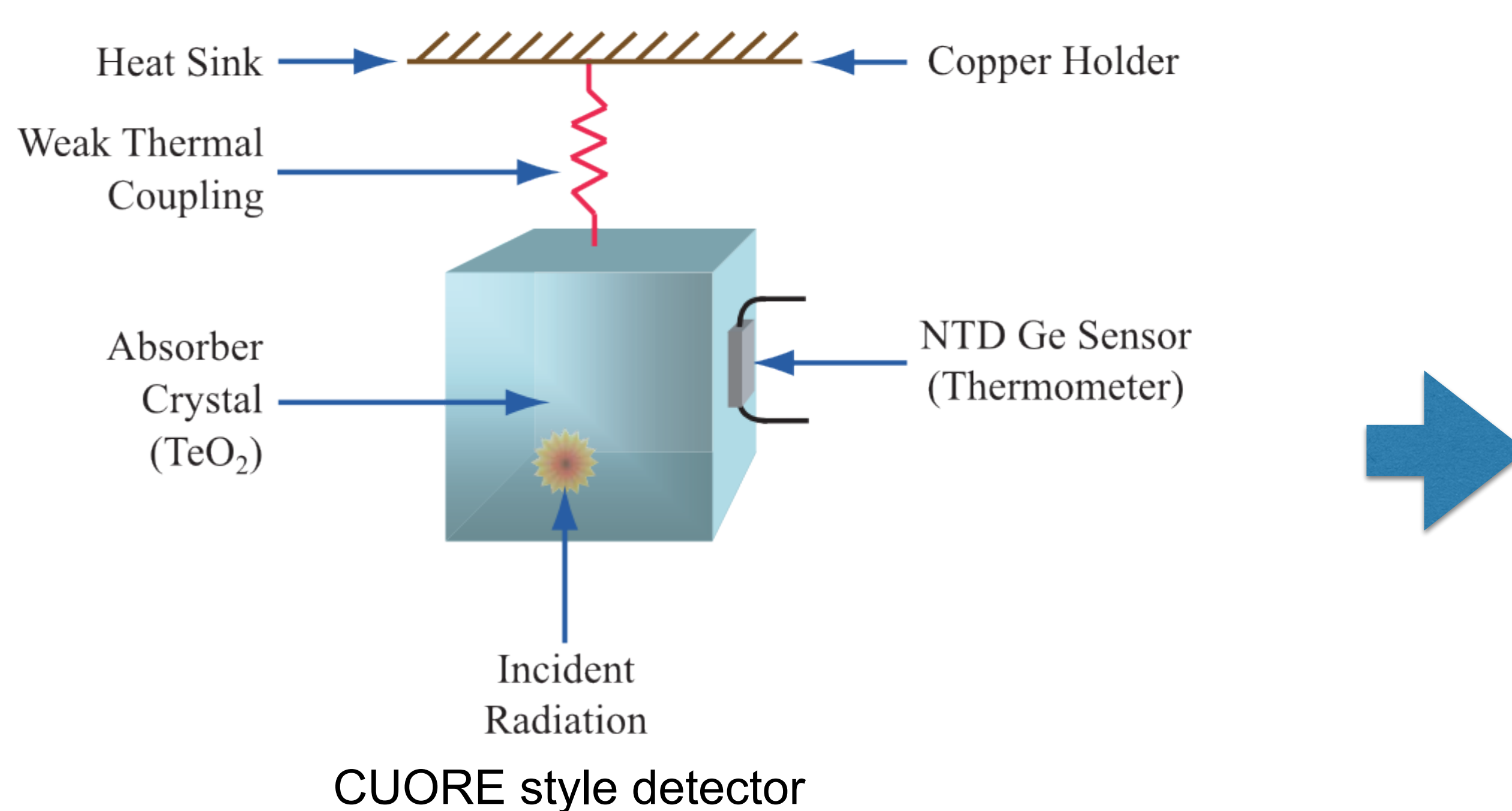
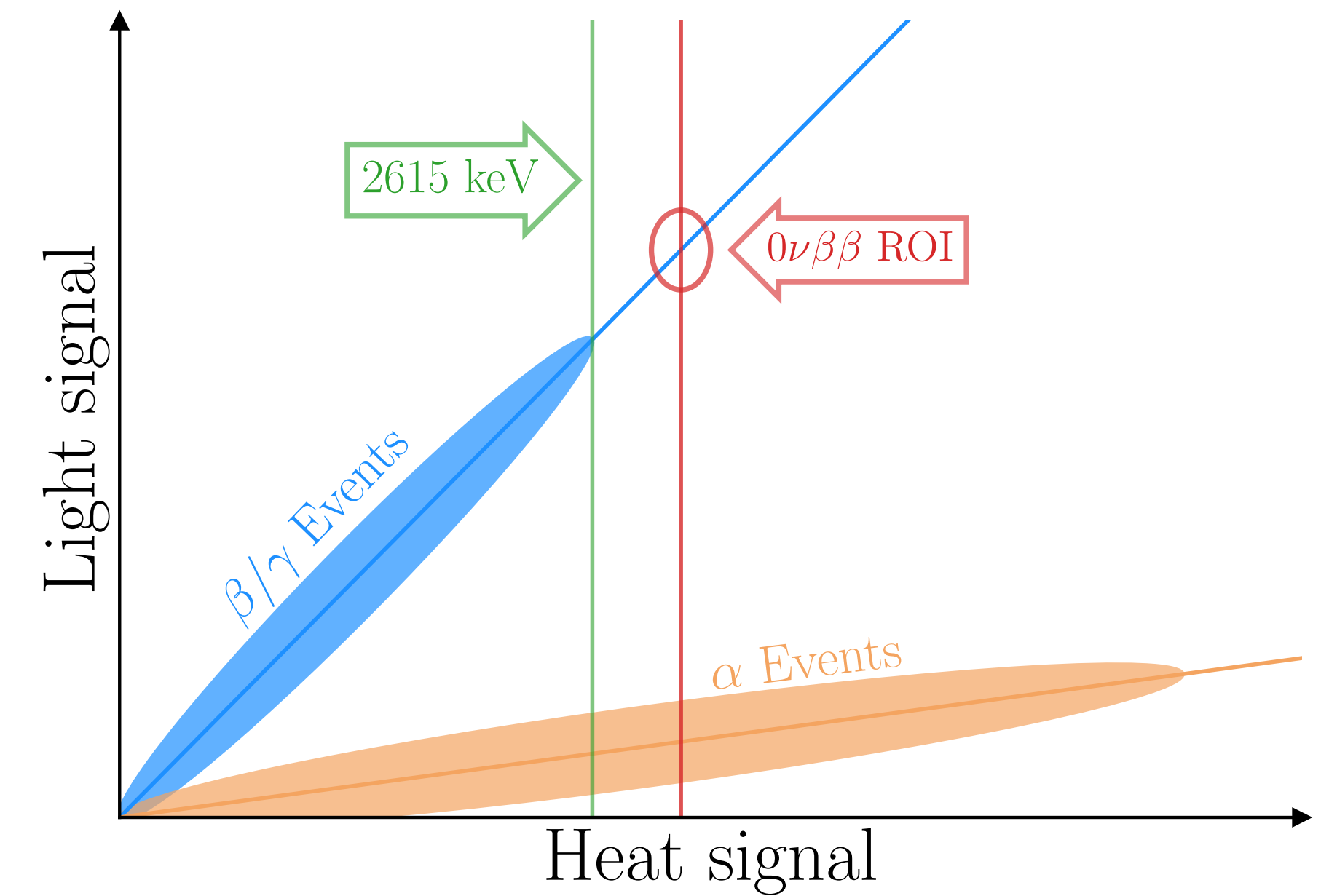


- Temperature sensitive  $R = R_0 e^{\sqrt{T_0/T}}$



# Scintillating Calorimeters

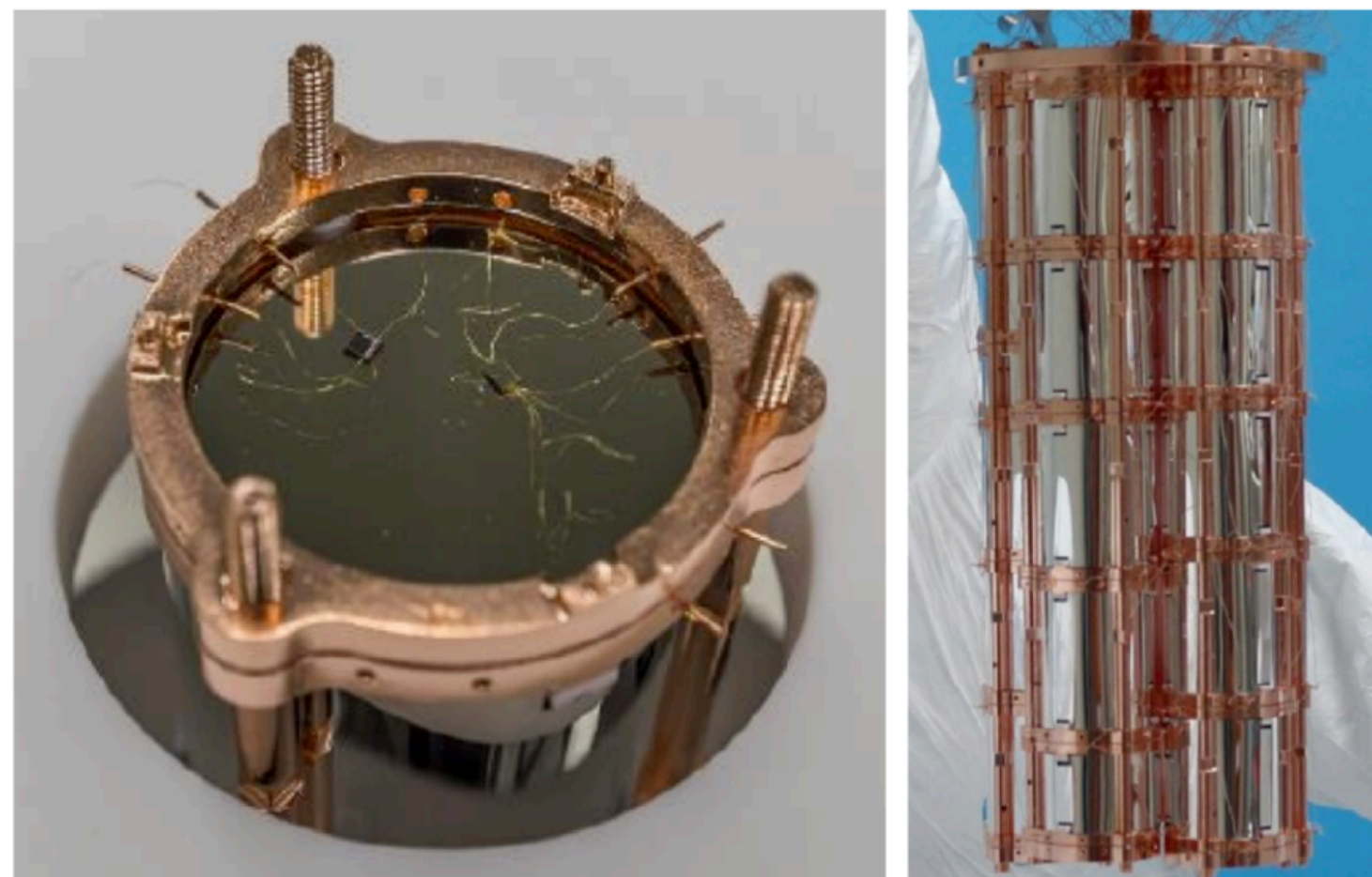
- Higher Q-value puts us in a lower background region
- LMO emits scintillation light - dual readout
- To mitigate degraded  $\alpha$ 's collect both heat and light
- 5x lower light yield from  $\alpha$  events compared to  $\beta/\gamma$





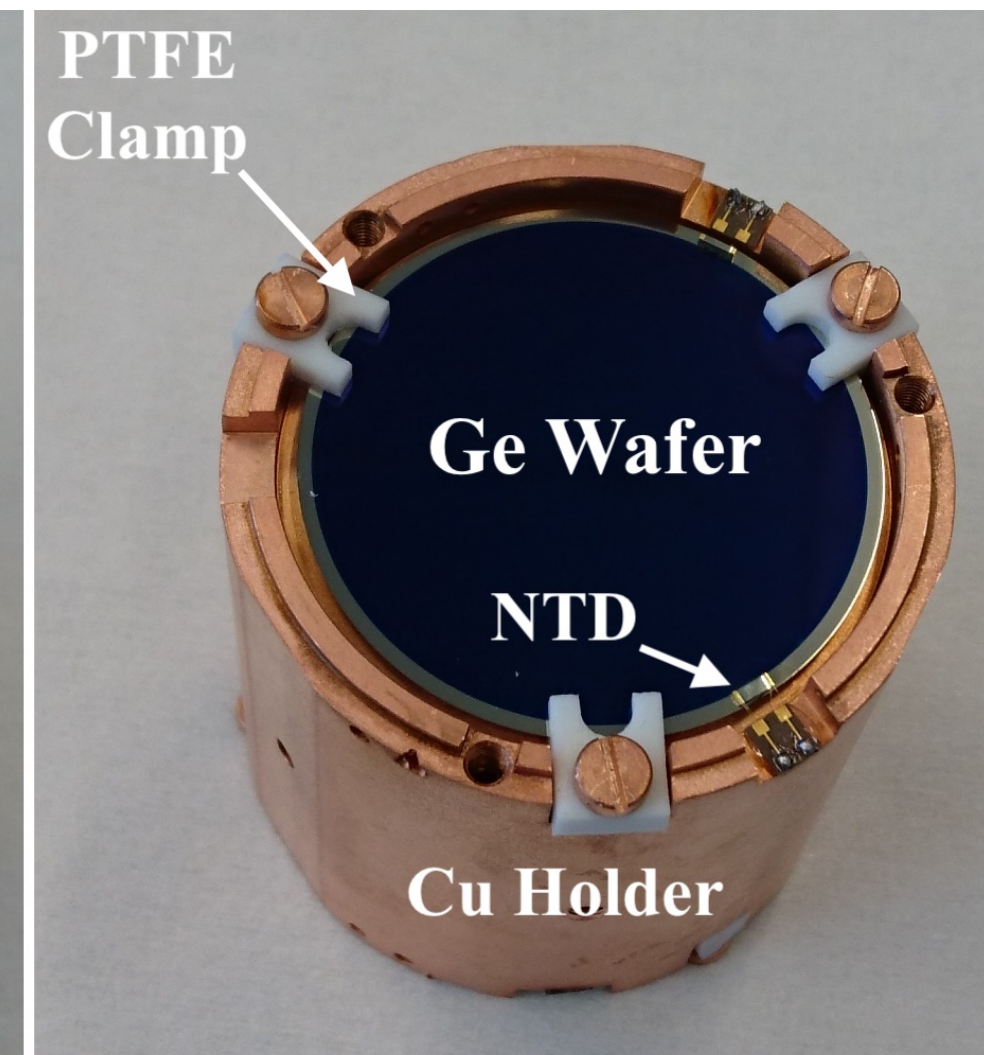
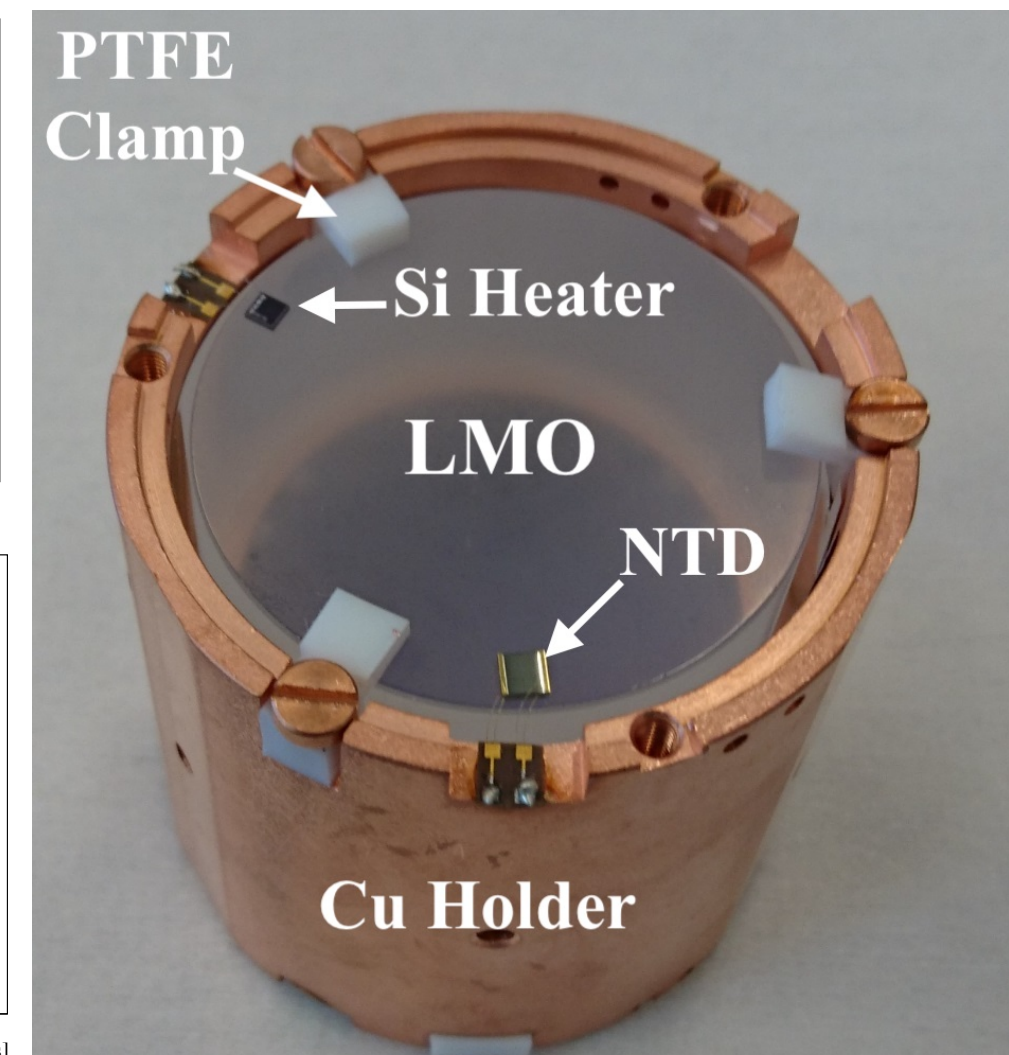
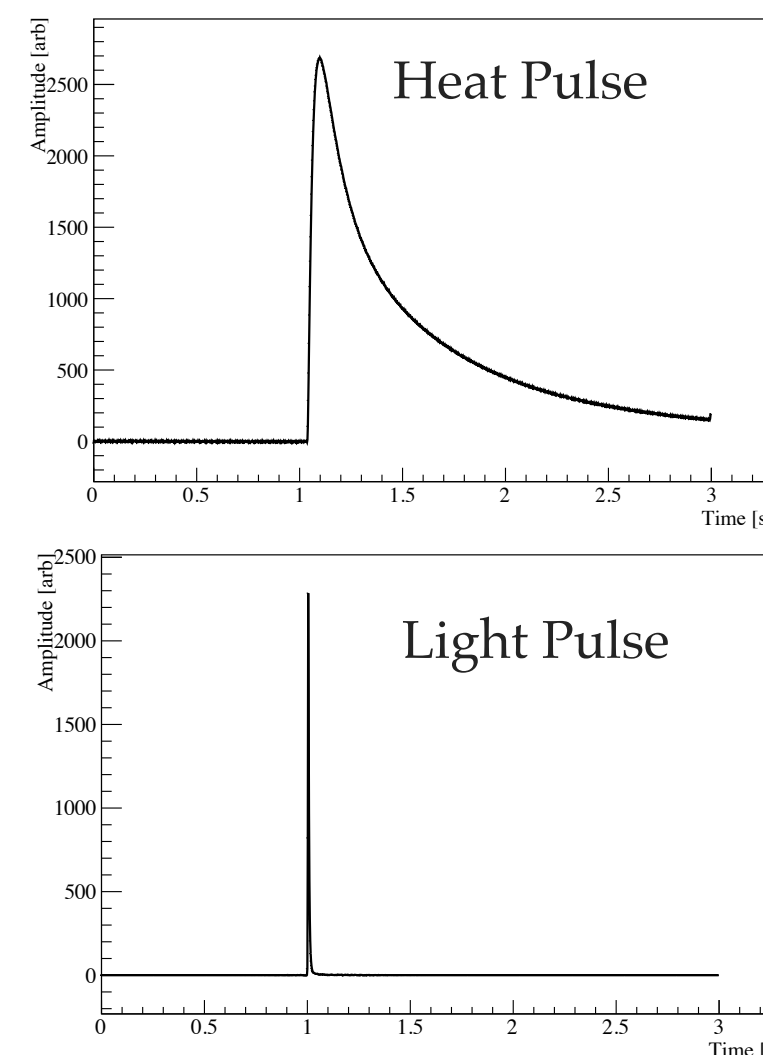
# Demonstrators

## CUPID-0



- CUPID-0 utilized  $\text{Zn}^{82}\text{Se}$  crystals with 95% enrichment
- Operated at LNGS (Italy)
- $Q_{\beta\beta}$ : 2998 keV
- $\alpha$ -rejection > 99.9%
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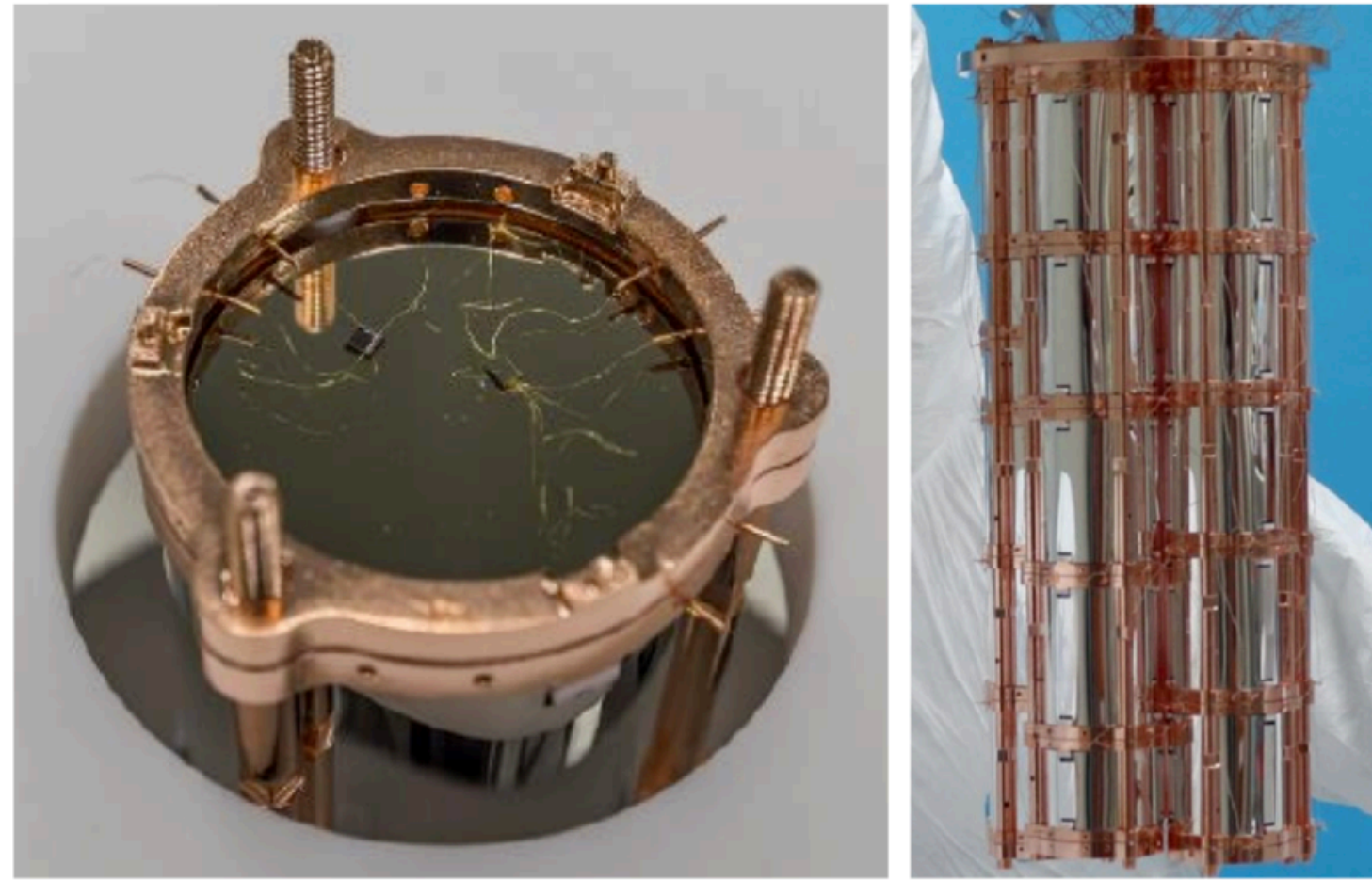
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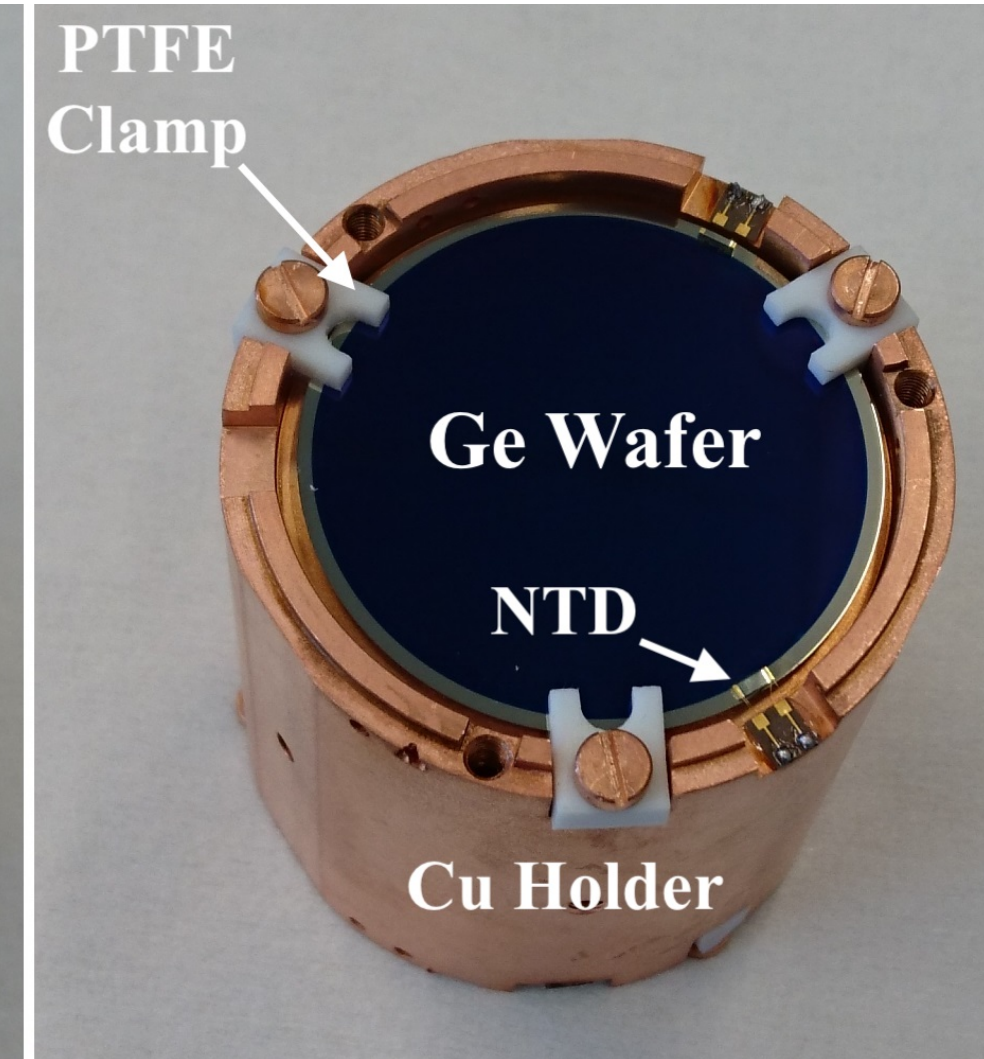
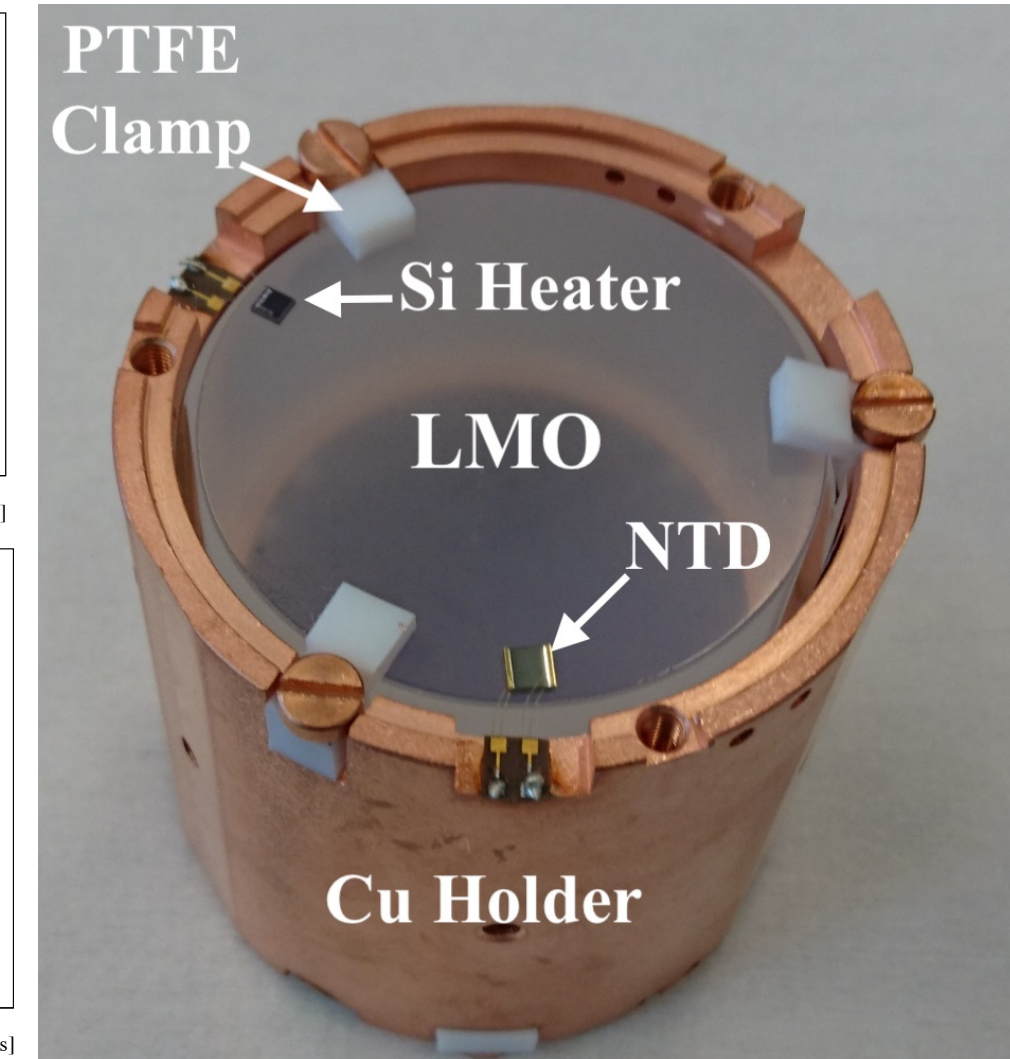
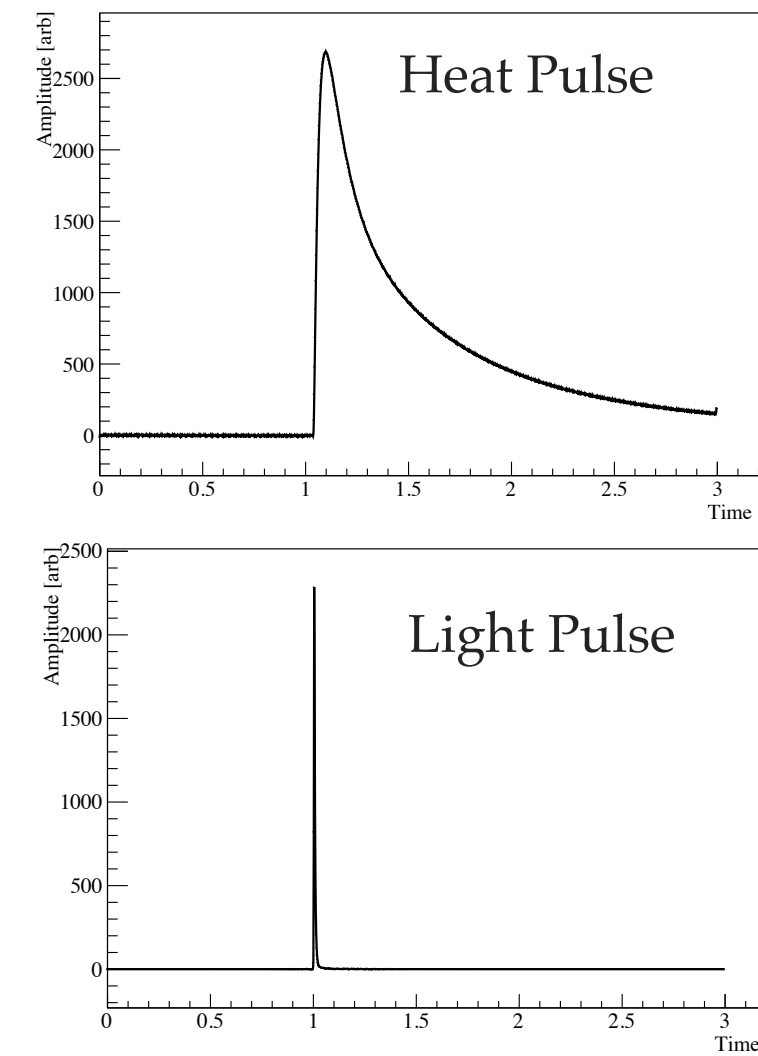
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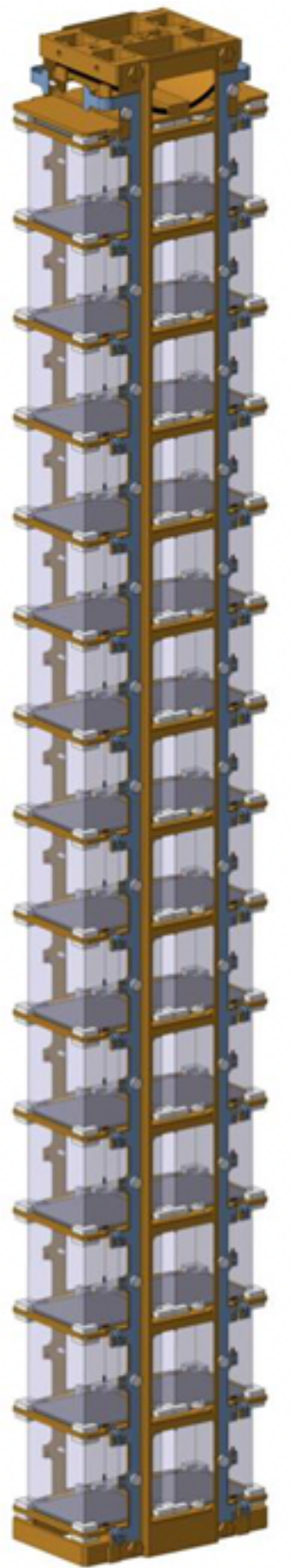
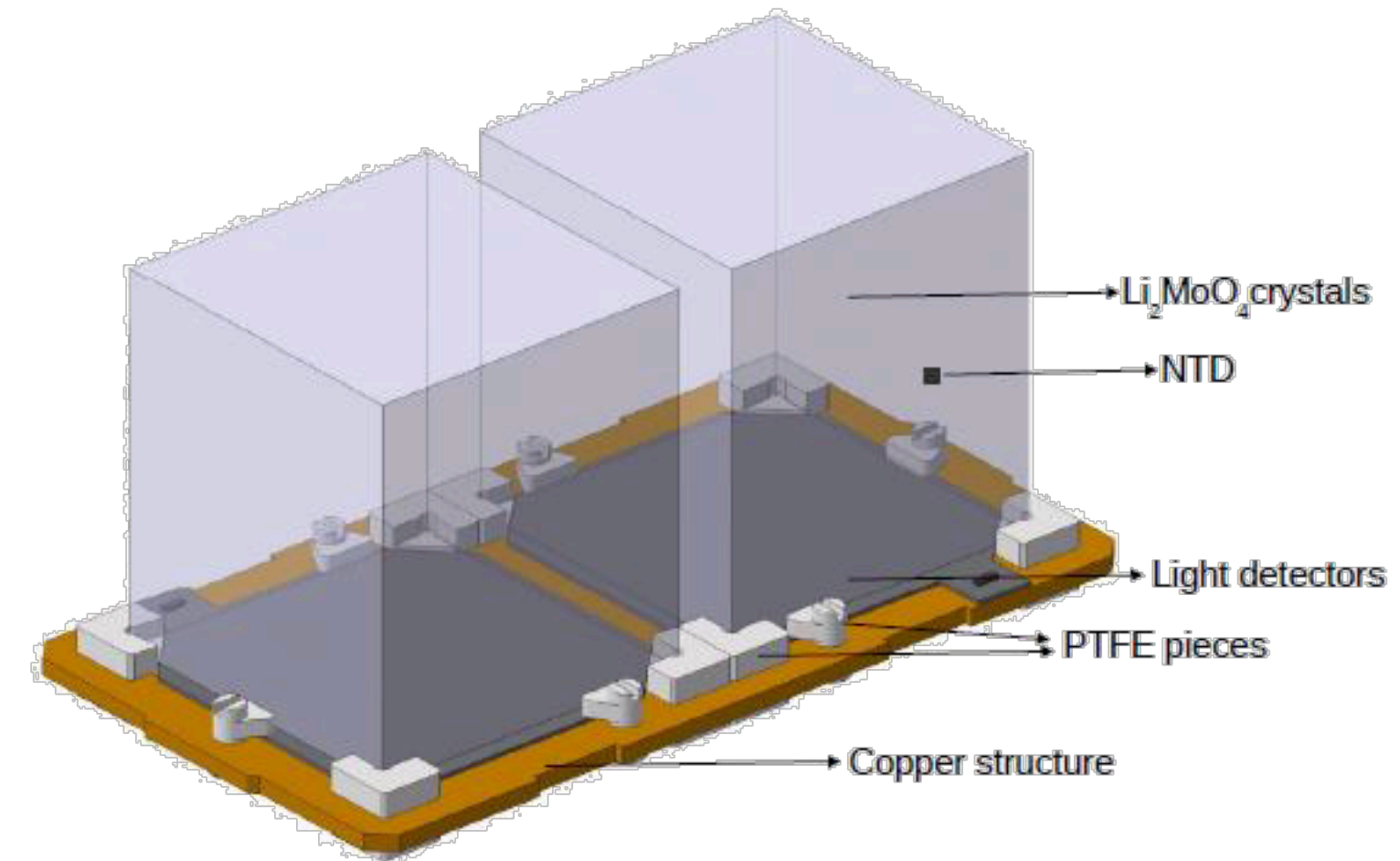
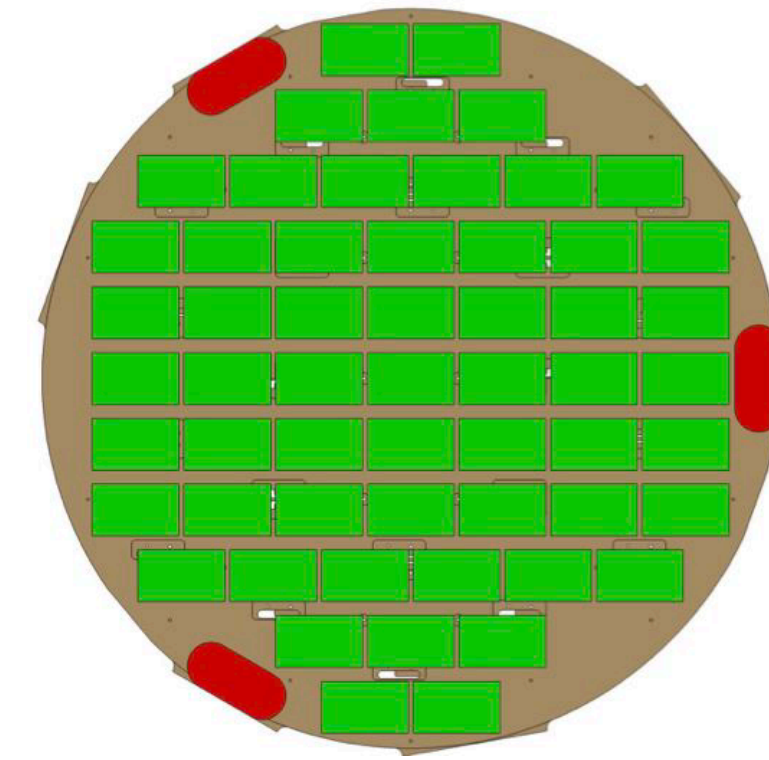


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# CUPID Detector

- CUPID detector will be installed in CUORE cryostat
- 57 towers containing 14 floors
- High purity Cu structure with PTFE supports
- 1596  $\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$  scintillating crystals - enrichment > 95%
- 45 mm cubic crystals (280g ea.)
- Total mass: 450 kg
- Readout via NTD thermistors
- 1710 light detectors - 2 per LMO
- Square Ge wafers readout via NTD thermistors
- Anti-reflective  $\text{SiO}$  coating



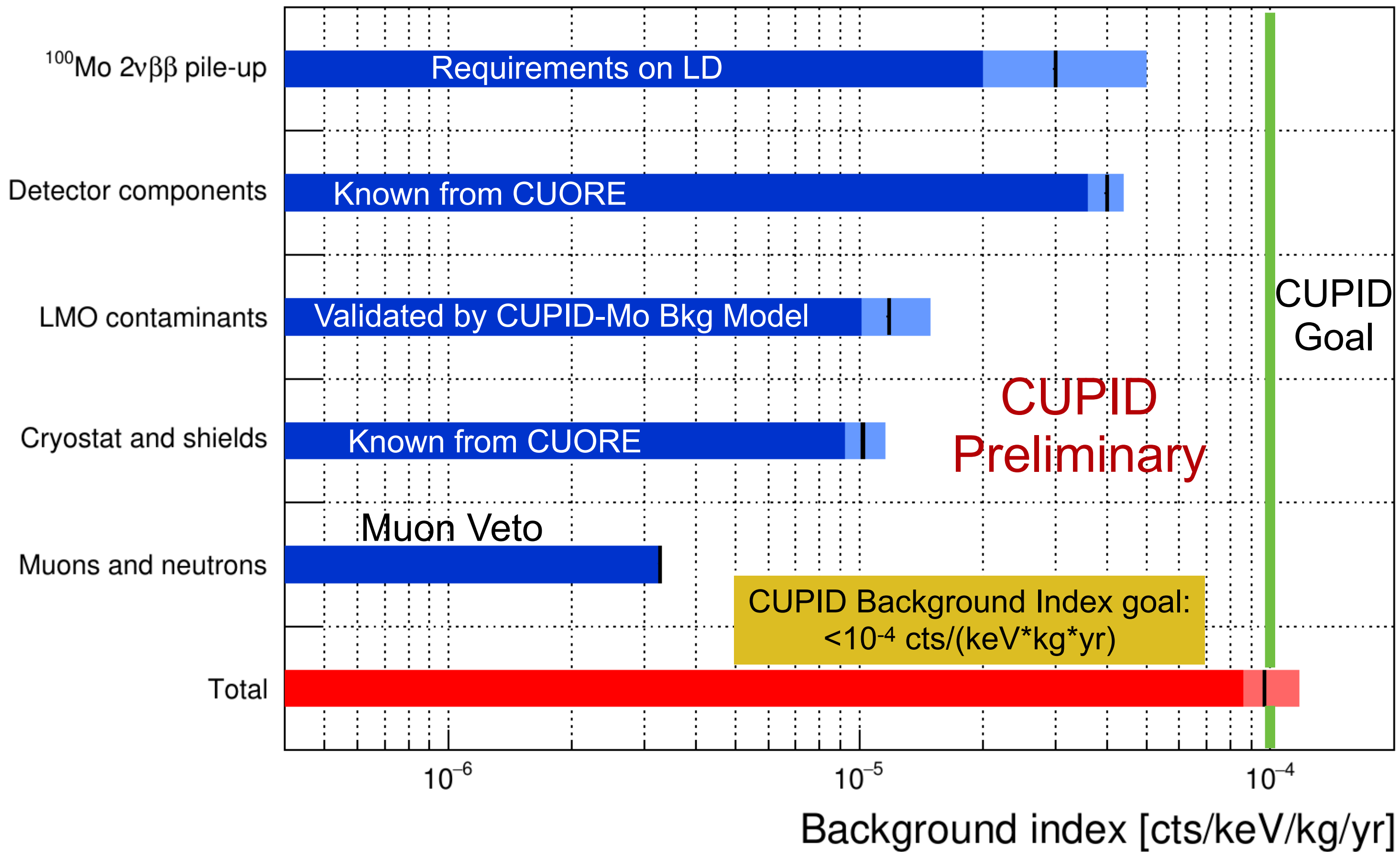
- $\alpha$  rejection demonstrated > 99.9%
- Energy resolution @  $Q_{\beta\beta}$  7.4 keV FWHM (target: < 5 keV FWHM)
- LD baseline resolution < 100 eV RMS
- Light yield: 0.3 keV/MeV

# CUPID Crystals

- CUPID has established a supply chain for producing 1596 LMO crystals with 95% enrichment
- SICCAS (Shanghai, China):
  - Capability to produce the enriched crystals, isotope procured from Chinese manufacturer
  - Produced all the CUORE crystals with radiopurity requirements that are similarly strict
  - First sample produced and measured at LNGS via ICP-MS matched requirements
- Pre-production is ongoing, funded by INFN (Italy) and CNRS (France) with specific goals:
  - Reduce isotope loss during growth and cut
  - Optimization for radiopurity
  - Optimize surface quality (light yield and transmission)
- Tests at LNGS to validate performance, radiopurity, and quantify contamination



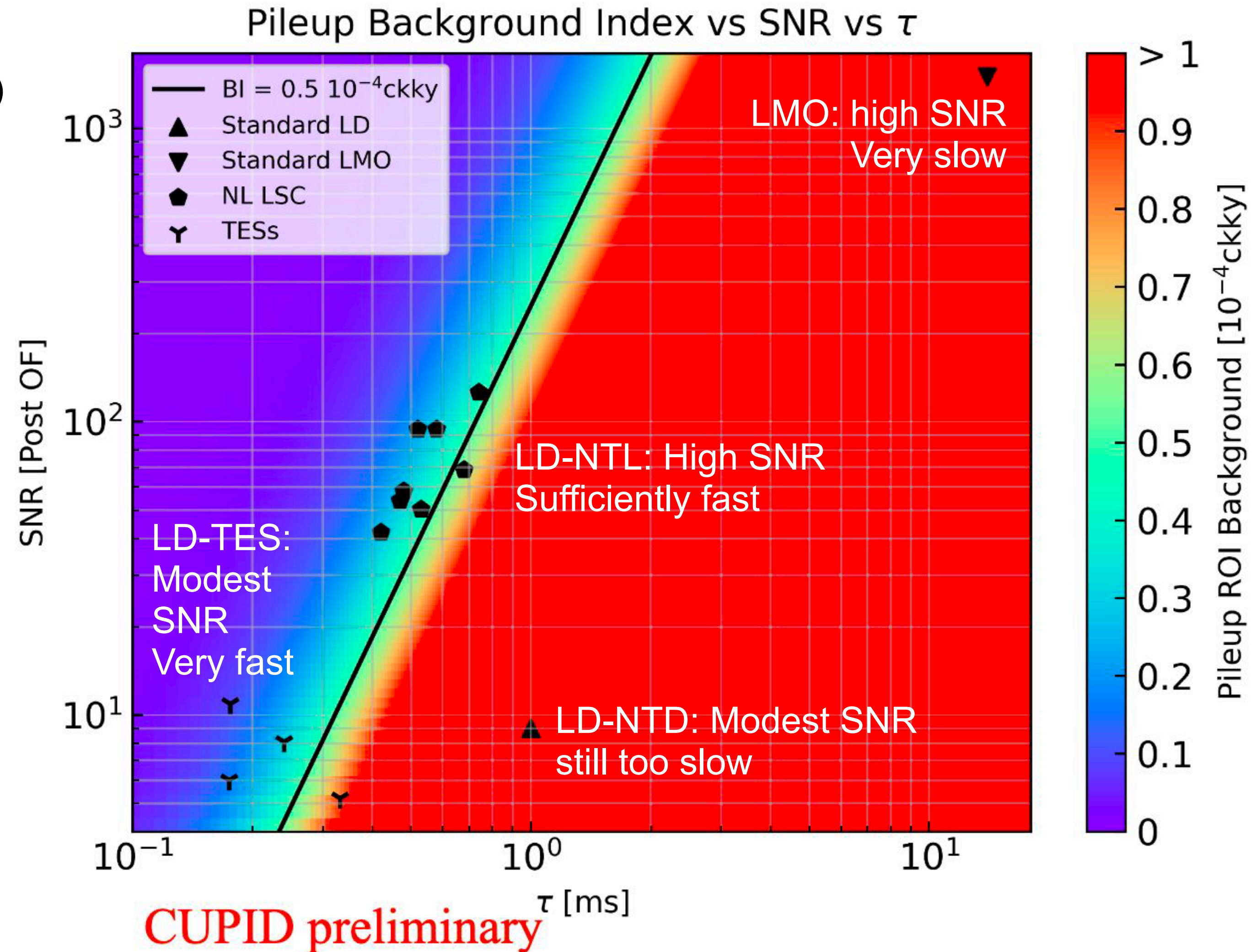
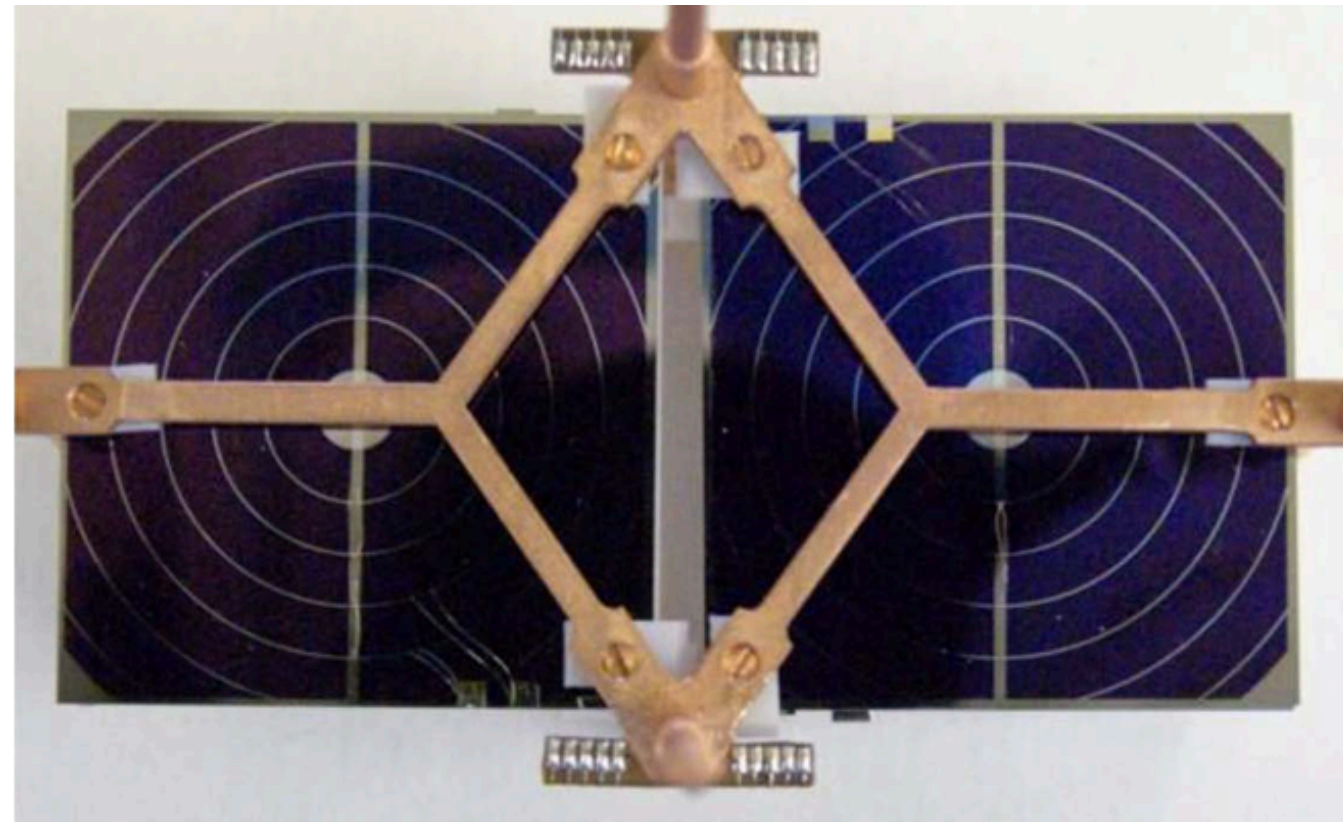
# CUPID Background



- Utilizing information from CUORE, CUPID-Mo, and CUPID-0
- Detector Components: dominated by surface contaminants
- Crystal: bulk exceptionally radiopure, surface contaminants
- $\alpha$  backgrounds rejected by light to heat ratio (>99.9%)
- $\beta/\gamma$  contamination can be handled a few ways:
  - Strict radiopurity protocols as in CUORE
  - Delayed coincidence cuts that can reject U/Th chains
- Muons: muon veto system with 99% geometric efficiency
- Pile-up: dominated from  $2\nu\beta\beta$  decays => improvements to LDs

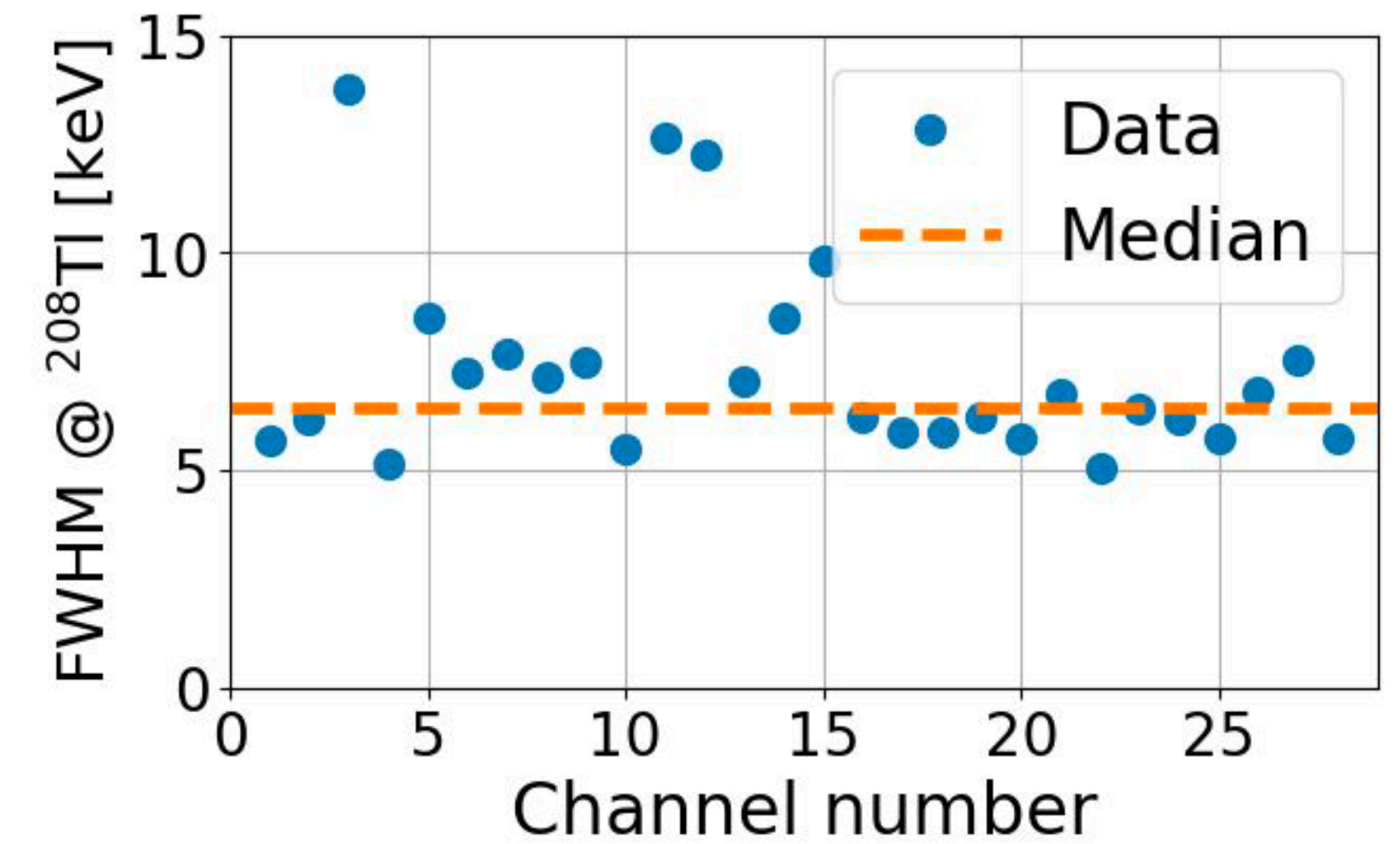
# $2\nu\beta\beta$ Pileup

- $2\nu\beta\beta$  decay is (relatively) fast in  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  ( $\sim 7.1 \times 10^{18}$  yr half-life)
- LMO calorimeters are also relatively slow
- Result:  $2\nu\beta\beta$  decay events can pile-up within a crystal and wind up reconstructing in the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay ROI
- Leverage LDs to mitigate => require fast sensors with good time resolution or increased SNR
- Neganov-Trofimov-Luke (NTL) effect can boost SNR for NTD based LDs
- Complimentary R&D for faster TES based sensors also underway

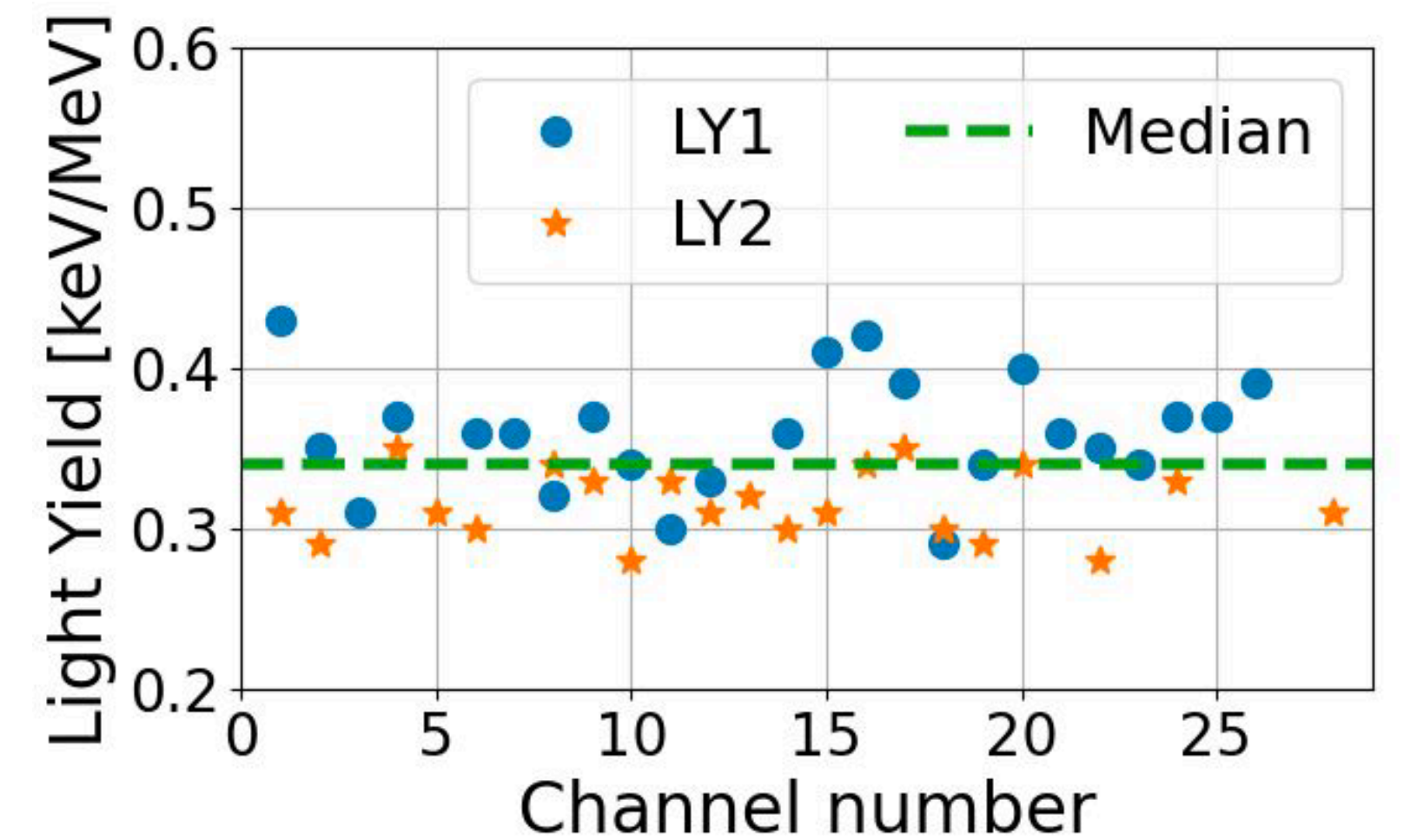


# CUPID R&D Tests

- Various R&D tests runs underway
- Test runs for tower optimization
  - Validate assembly procedure, thermalization, structure
  - Validate performance of LMO and LDs
  - Vibrational studies
- 1 tower (14 floors, 28 LMO, 30LDs) — 2 runs
- Upcoming tests to test more of the full end-to-end CUPID technology are planned



Median LMO FWHM<sub>baseline</sub> = 3.1 keV  
 Median LMO FWHM<sub>2615keV</sub> = 6.2 keV

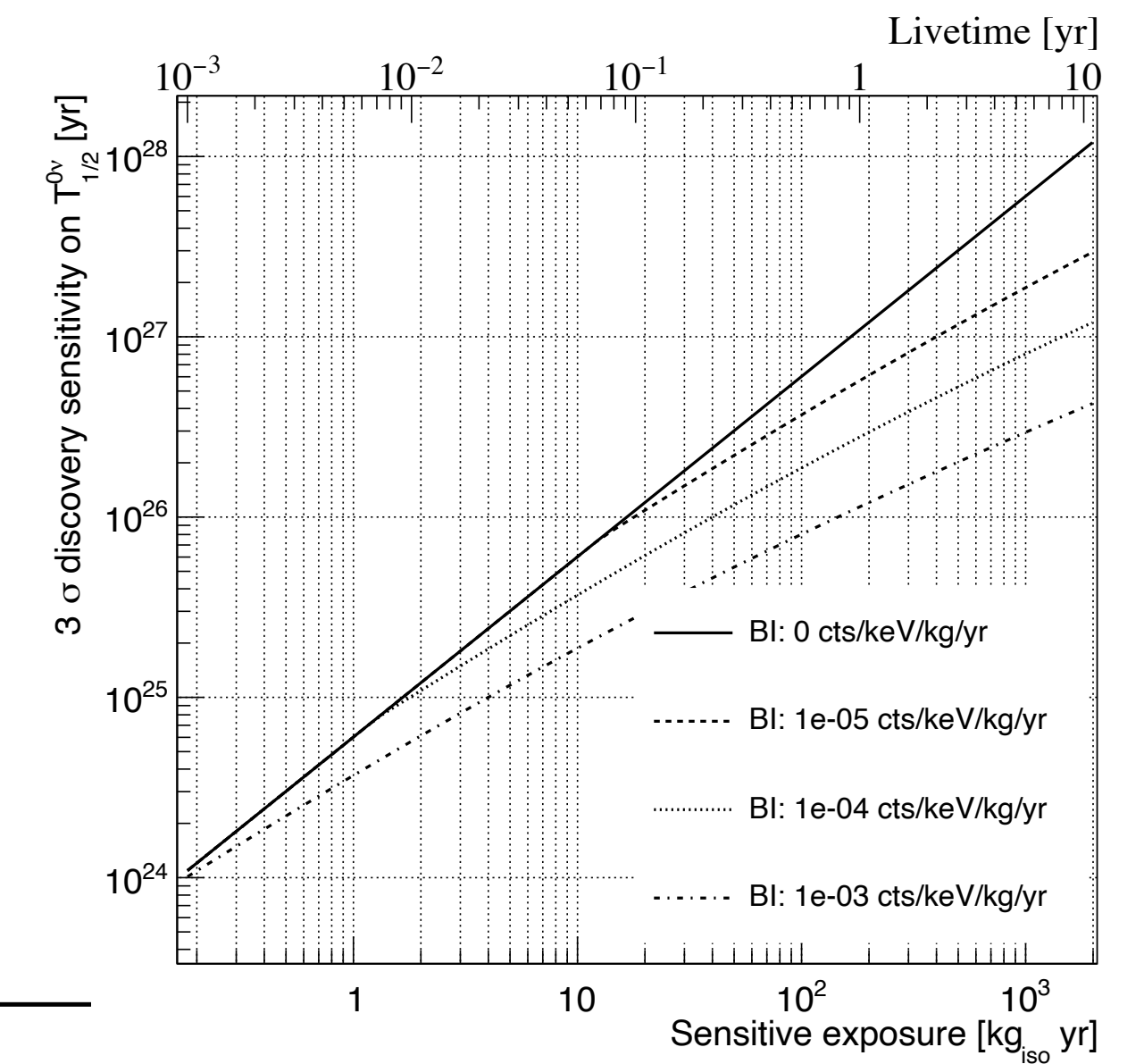
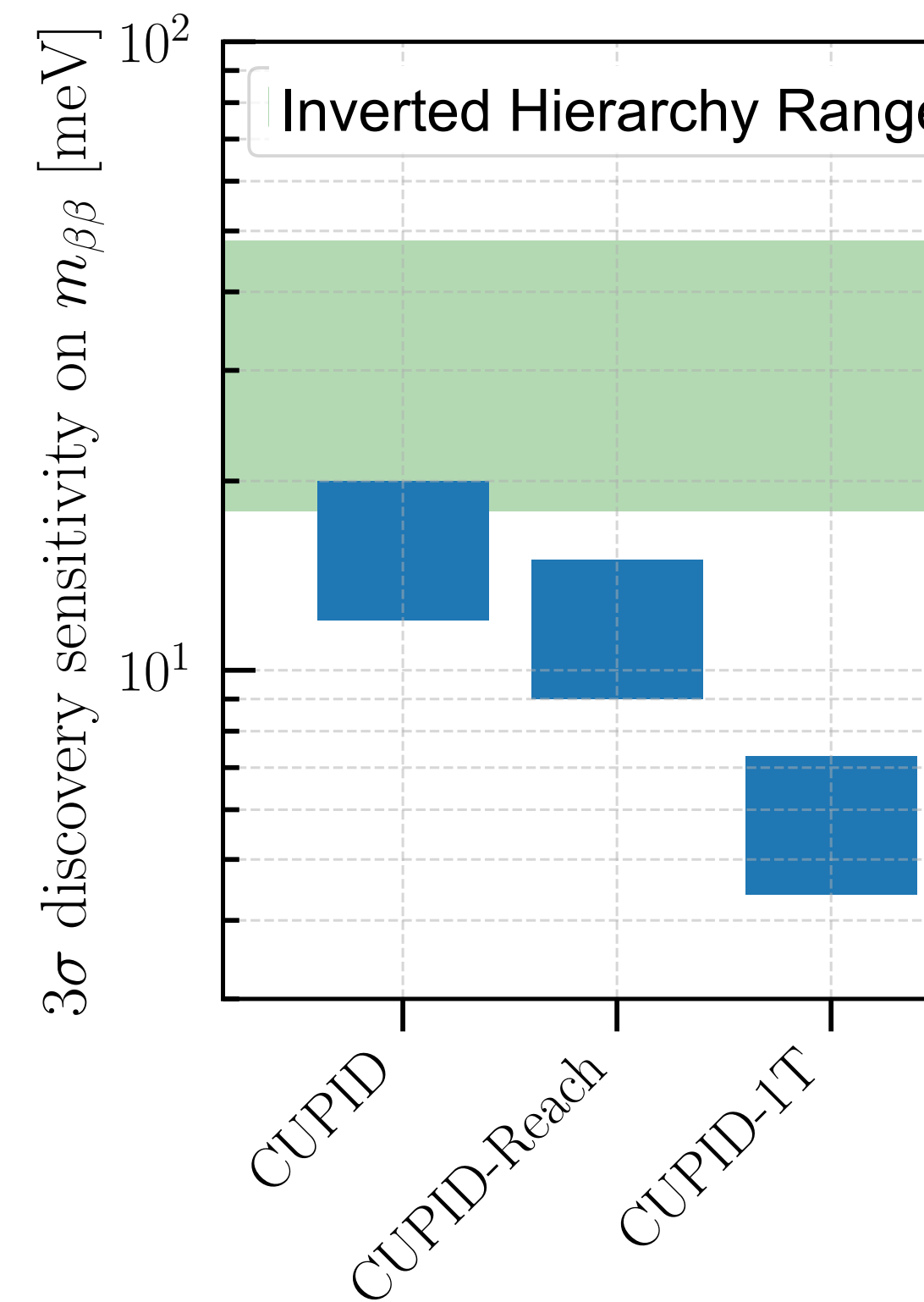


Median LY: 0.34 keV/MeV  
 Median Discrimination Power (DP): 3.21

$$DP = \frac{|LY_{\beta,\gamma} - LY_{\alpha}|}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\beta,\gamma}^2 - \sigma_{\alpha}^2}}$$

# CUPID & Beyond

- CUPID goal is BI of  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  cts/keV/kg/yr
- CUPID: Baseline, technically ready (we can do this today!)
- CUPID-reach: same cryostat but push as hard as possible to mitigate backgrounds by x10 compared to baseline
- CUPID-1T: A possible expansion of CUPID to utilize 1000kg of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ 
  - 4x mass scale up
  - Background abatement x20 ( $5 \times 10^{-6}$  counts/keV/kg/yr)
  - 5x improvement in half-life sensitivity
  - Requires new technologies for LDs beyond NTL

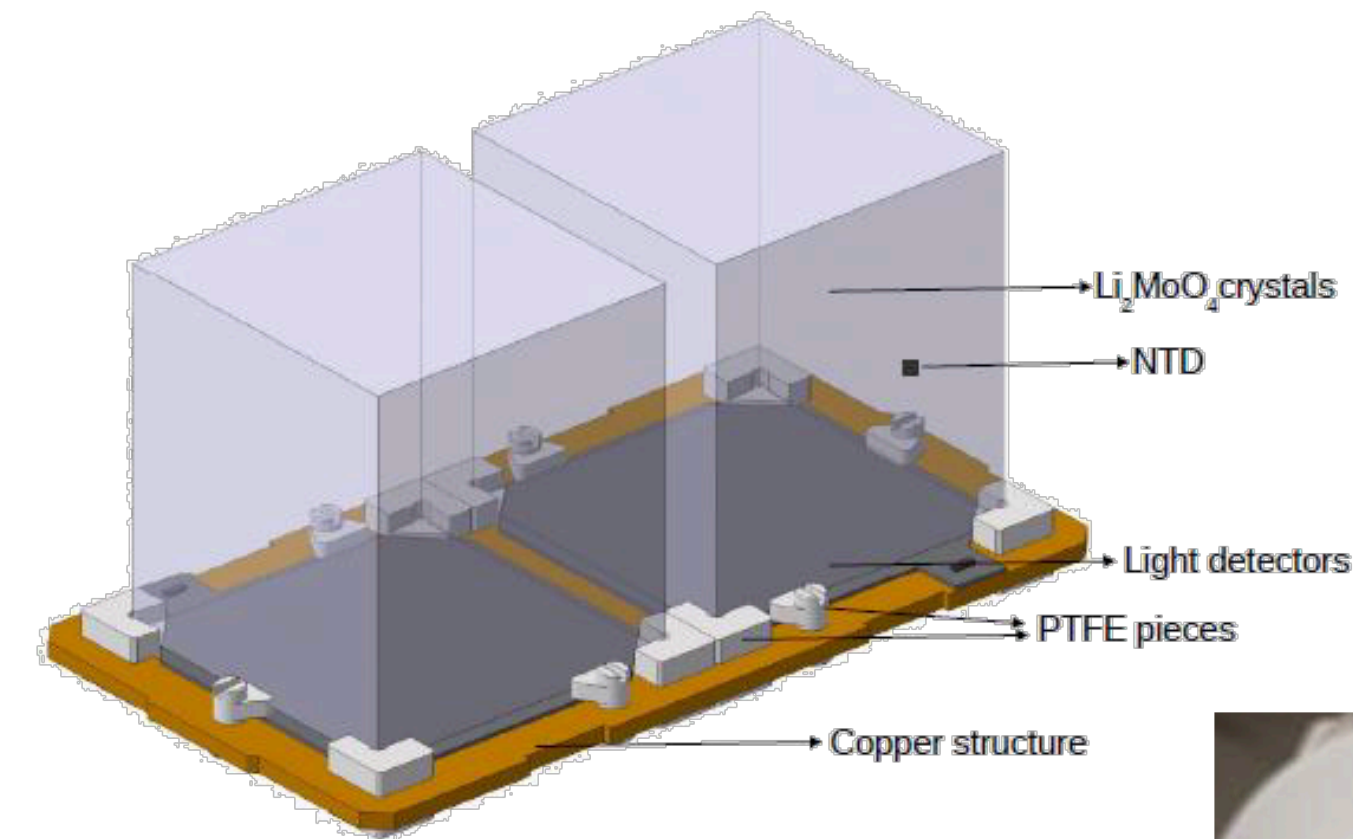
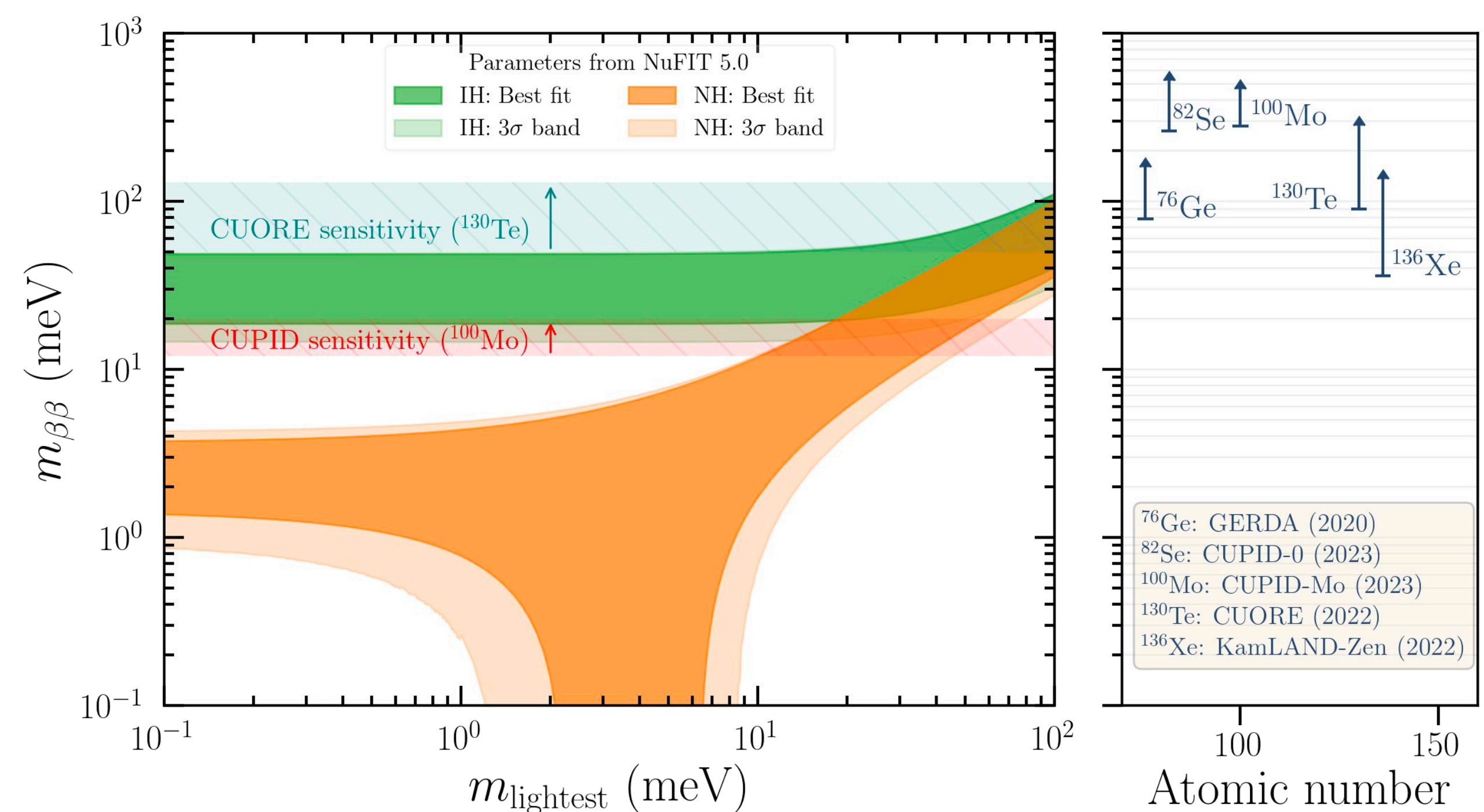


**Exclusion Sensitivity:**  
 $1.4 \times 10^{27}$  yr :  $m_{\beta\beta} < [10 - 17]$  meV  
**3-sigma discovery sensitivity:**  
 $1 \times 10^{27}$  yr :  $m_{\beta\beta} < [12 - 20]$  meV  
 CUPID pre-CDR: arXiv:1907.09376



# Summary

- CUPID is a well motivated upgrade to the successful CUORE experiment
- Explore the inverted hierarchy region
- Scintillating LMO crystals to reject  $\alpha$  backgrounds via particle identification
- Baseline aims to reach a  $BI < 10^{-4}$  counts/keV/kg/yr
- Aim to take data by end of decade



# Summary



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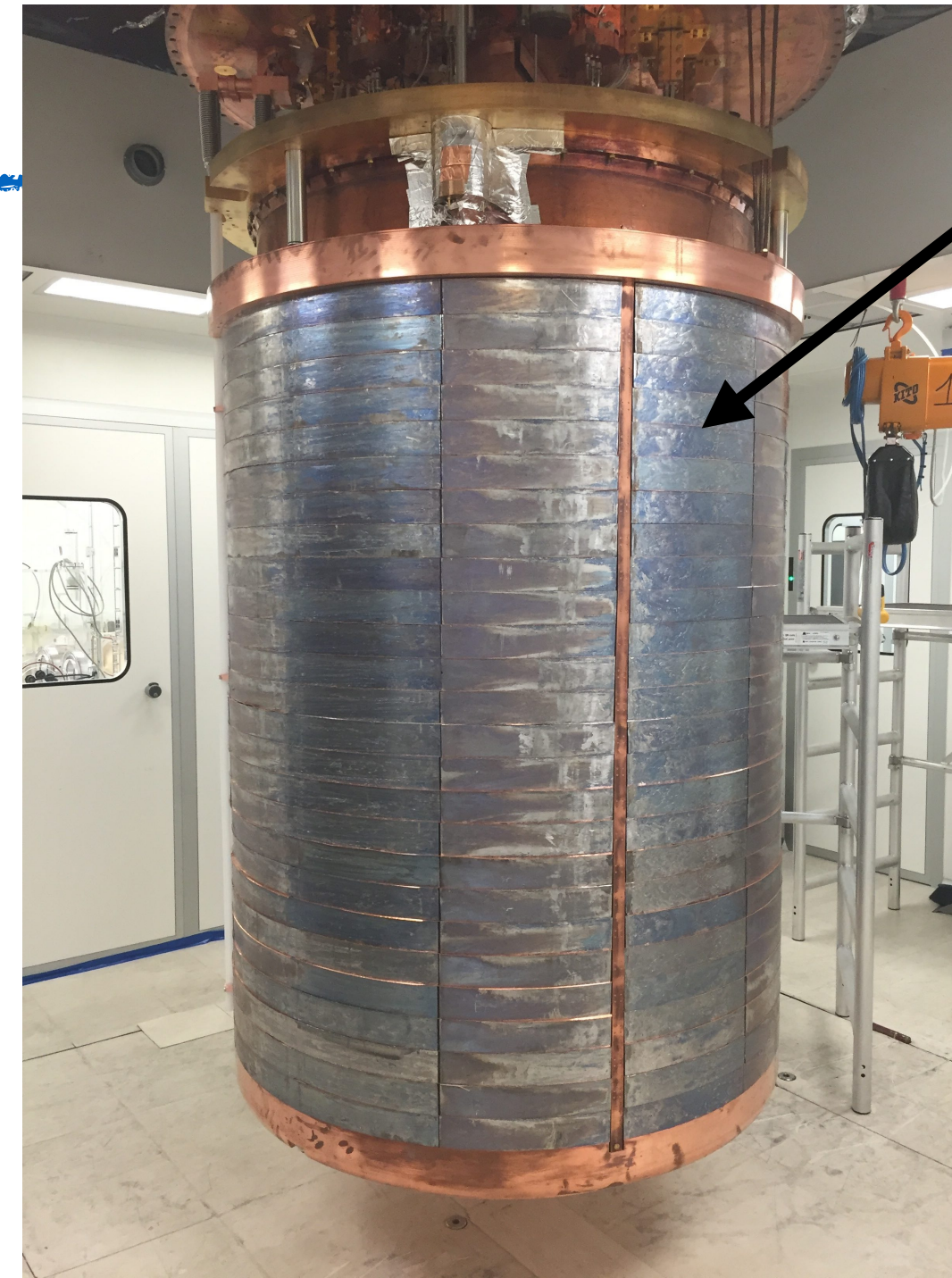
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# Thanks

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# CUORE Cryostat

- Difficult task - cool 15 tons at or below 4K and 3 tons to below 50 mK
- World leading cryostat in size and power
- Five 1.2 W (@ 4.2 K) Cryomech pulse tube coolers
- DU from Leiden Cryogenics
  - 100 mK: 2 mW cooling power
  - 10 mK: 4  $\mu$ W cooling power
- Radio-purity central to material selection
- Vibration isolation
- Cold Roman lead
- Lowest base temperature of 6.3 mK!



3920kg!

Plates:

300 K

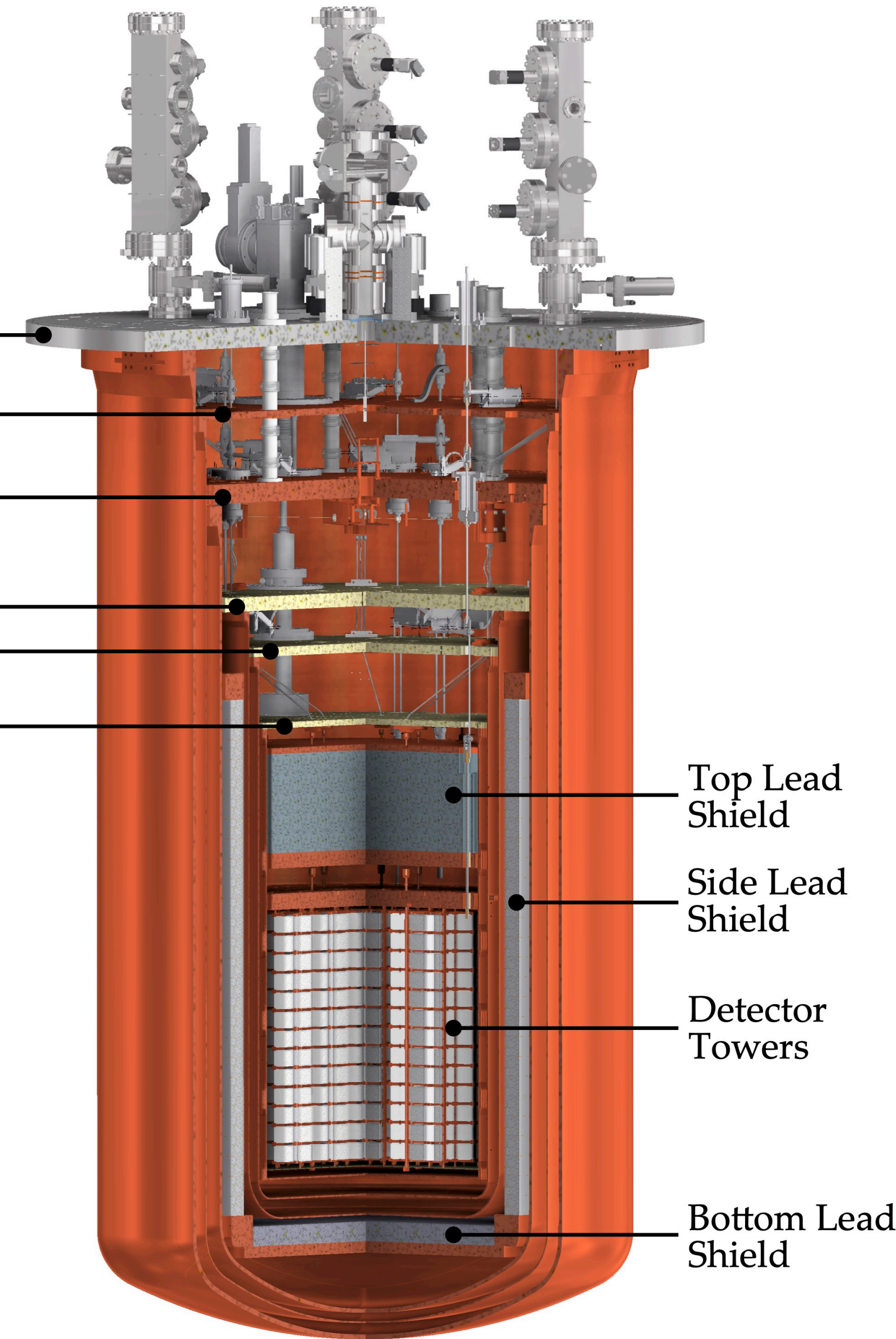
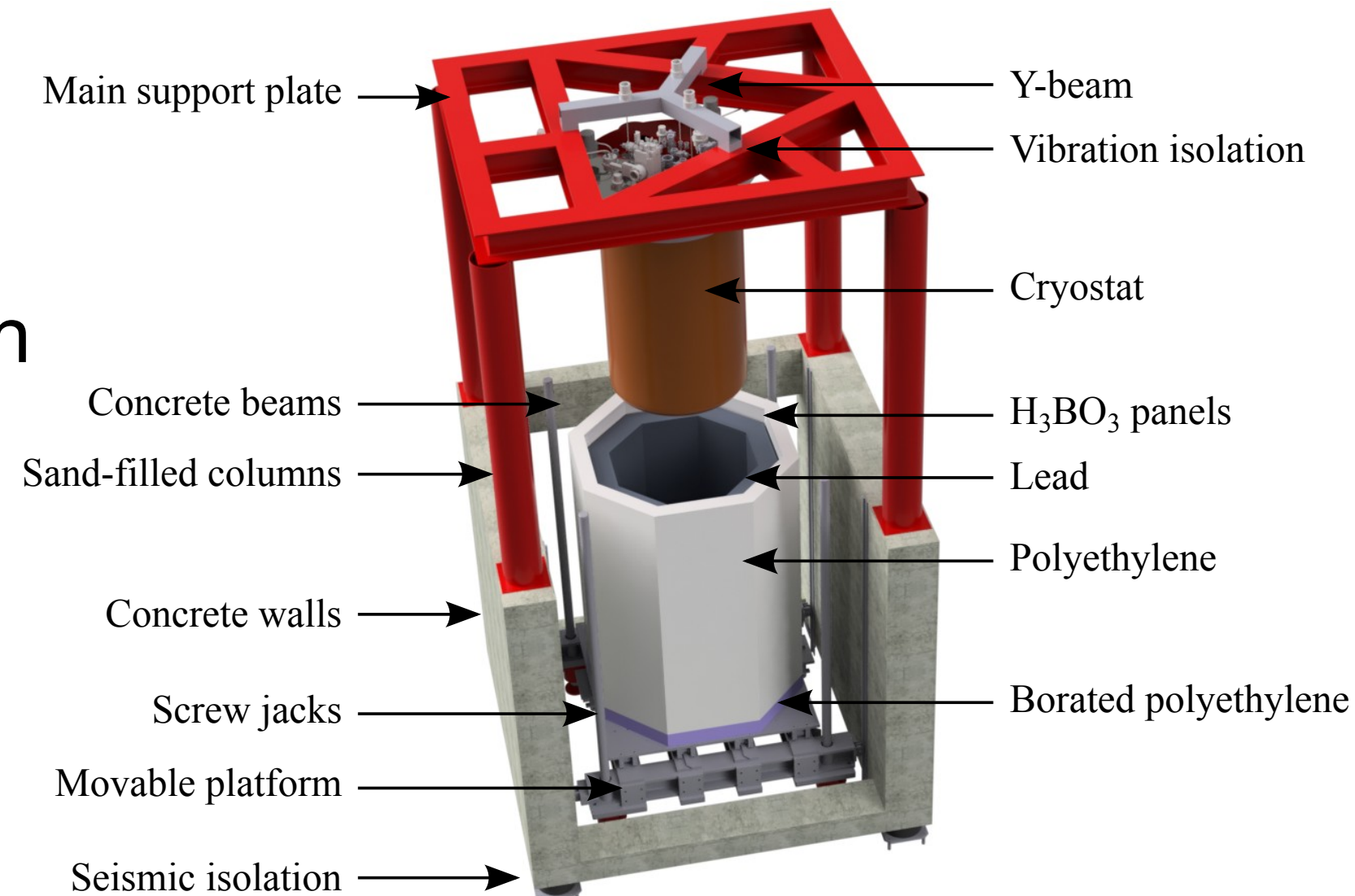
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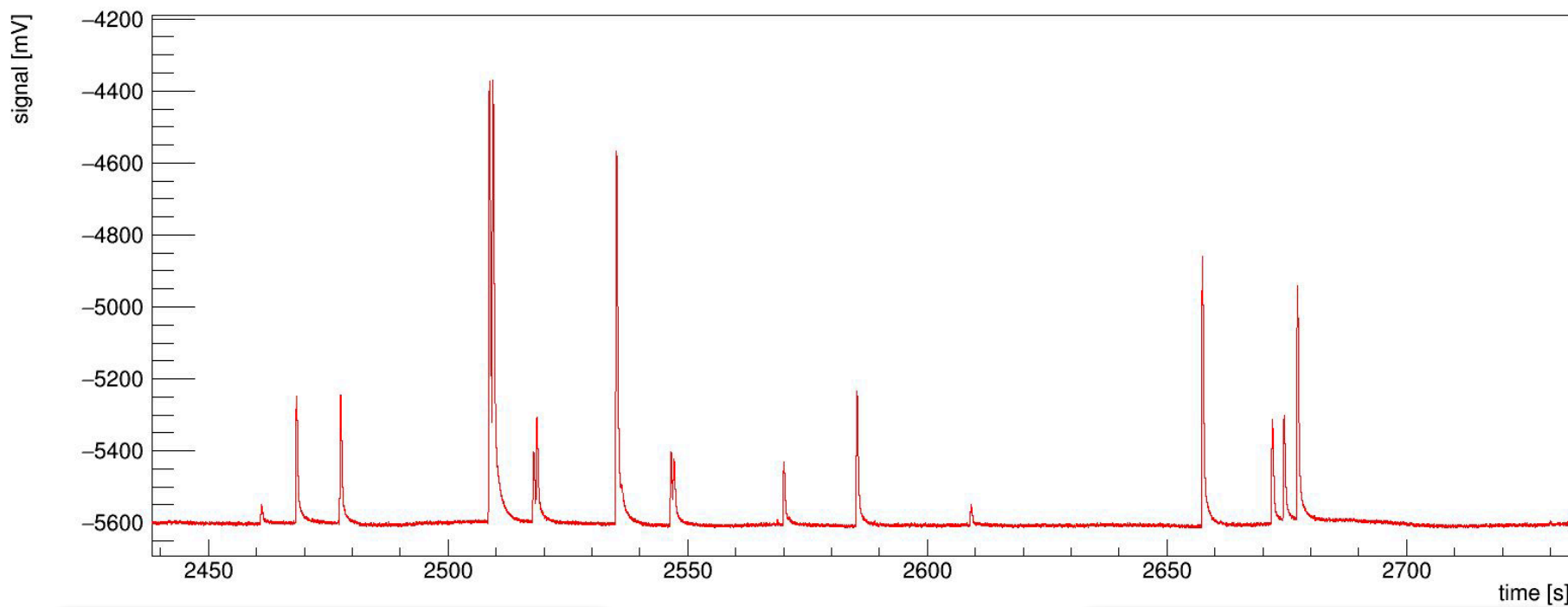
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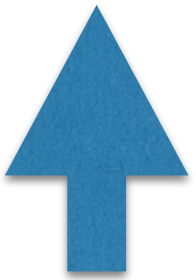
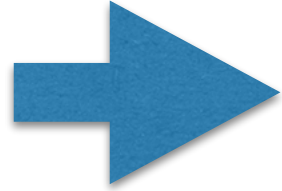


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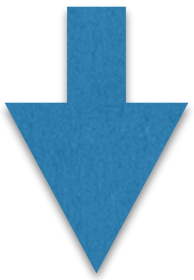


Optimal Filter Amplitude & Thermal Gain Correction

Calibration U/Th Source



Coincidence Tagging  
Allow selection of events based on number of crystals with energy deposition

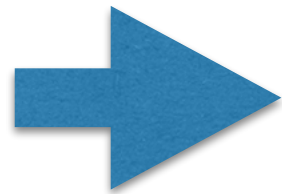
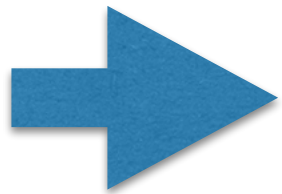


Pulse Shape Analysis (PCA)

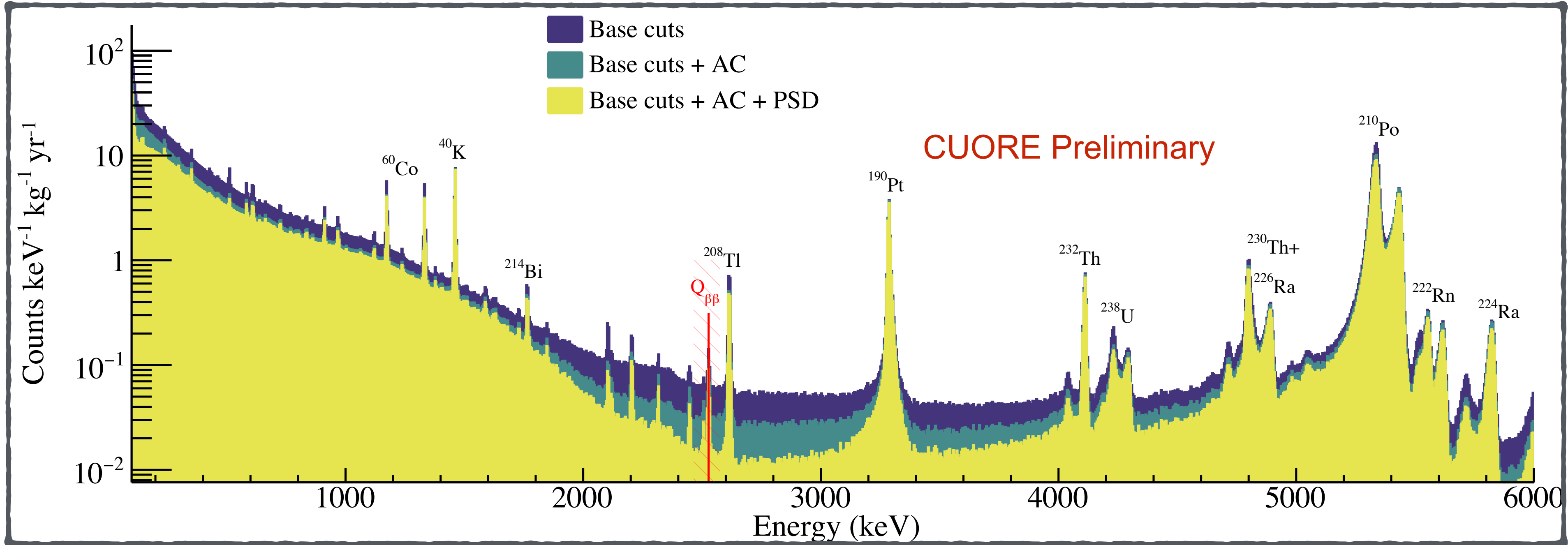


Raw Pulse Processing & Average Noise & Average Pulse

Trigger & Optimal Trigger

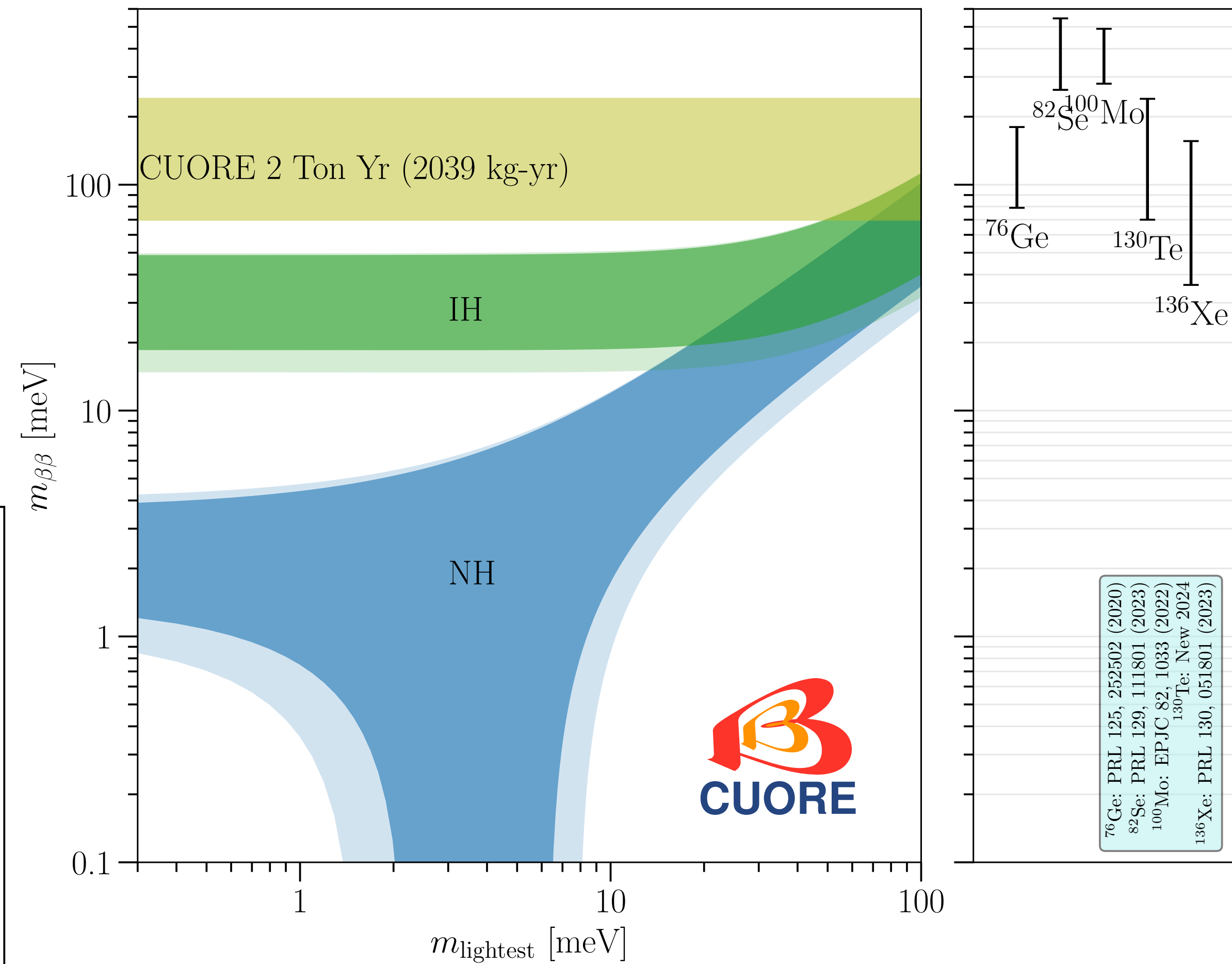
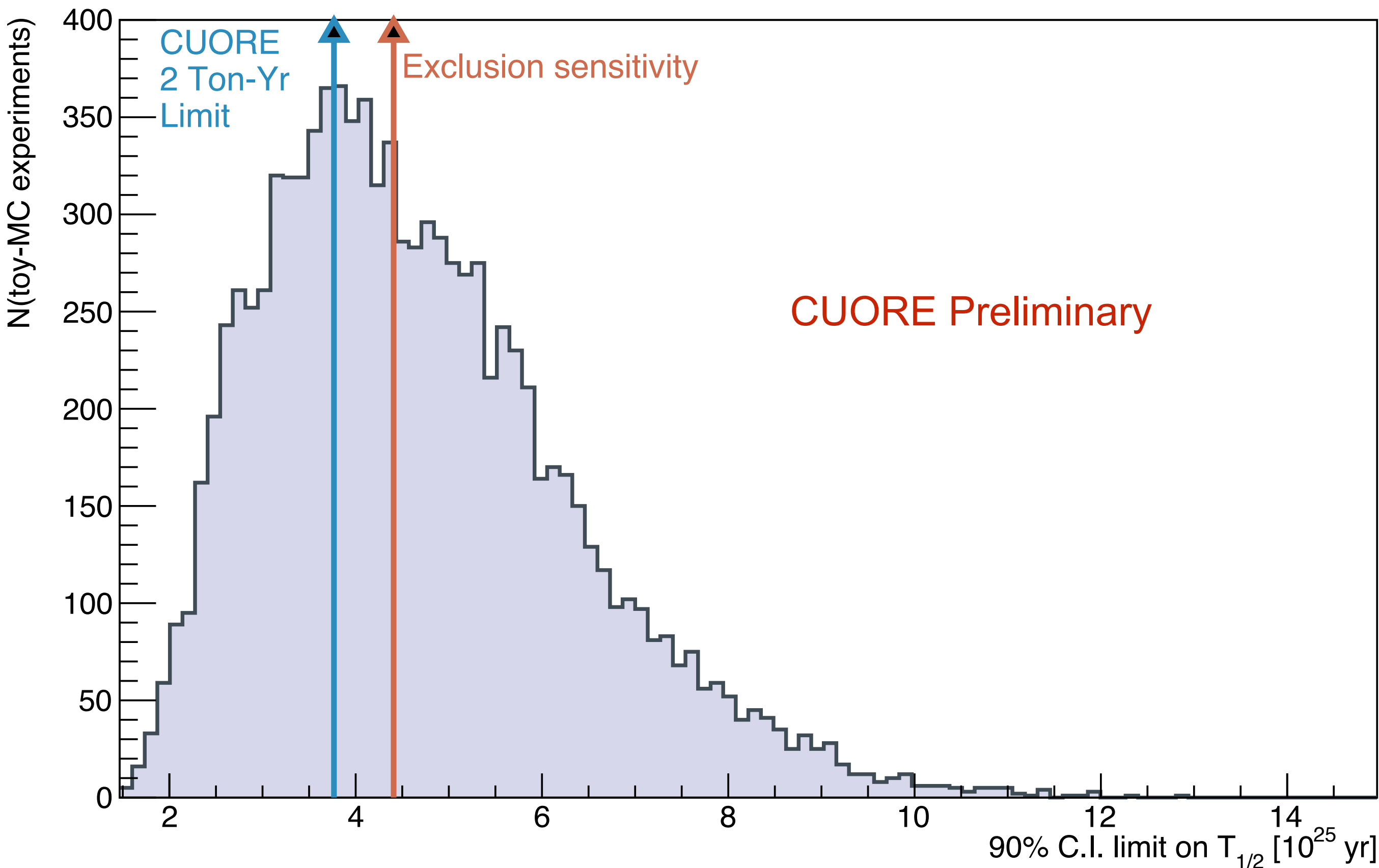


Denoising



# CUORE: Systematics

- Extract background index by running fit with bkg-only hypothesis
- Use  $10^4$  Toy Monte Carlo simulations to extract exclusion sensitivity

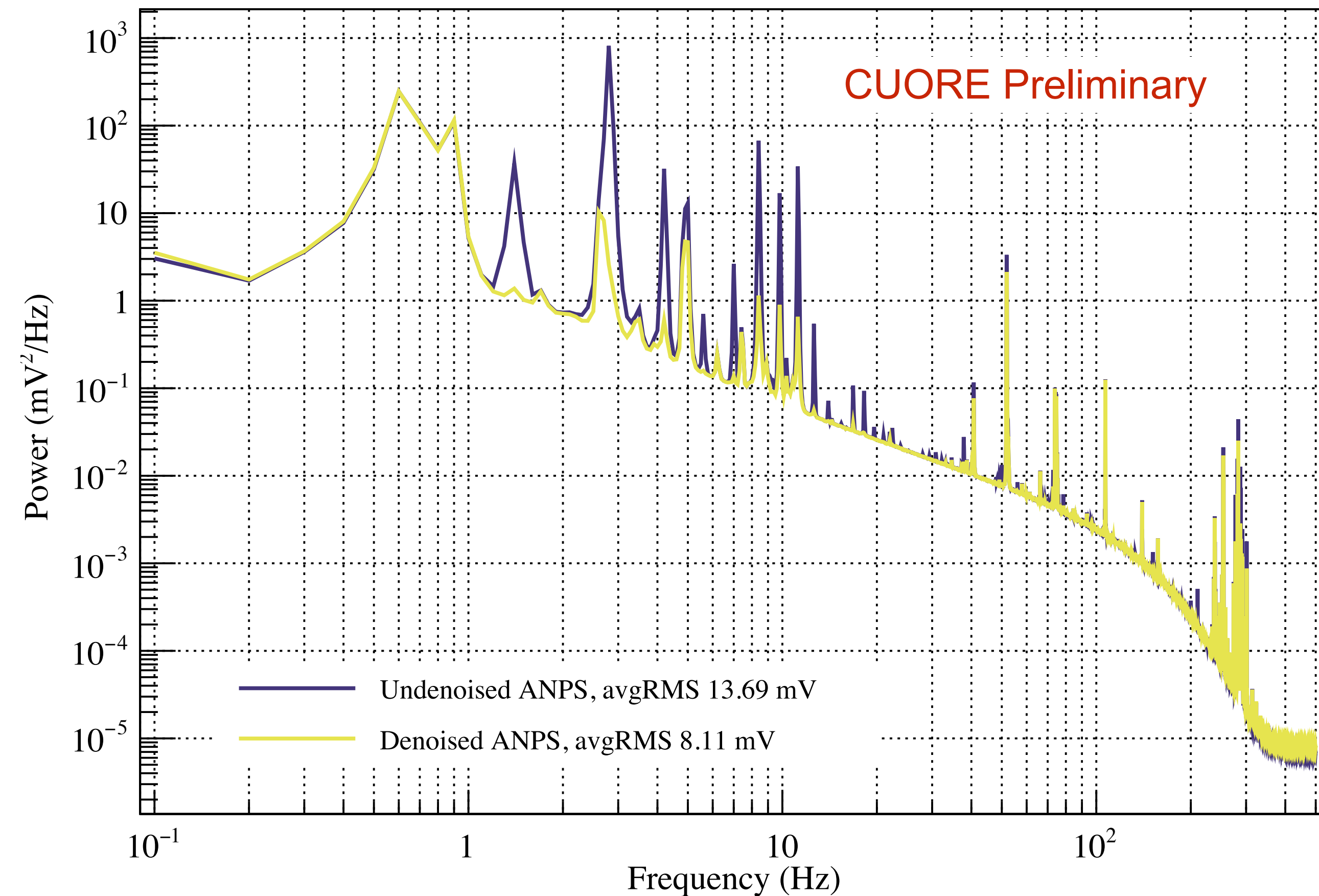
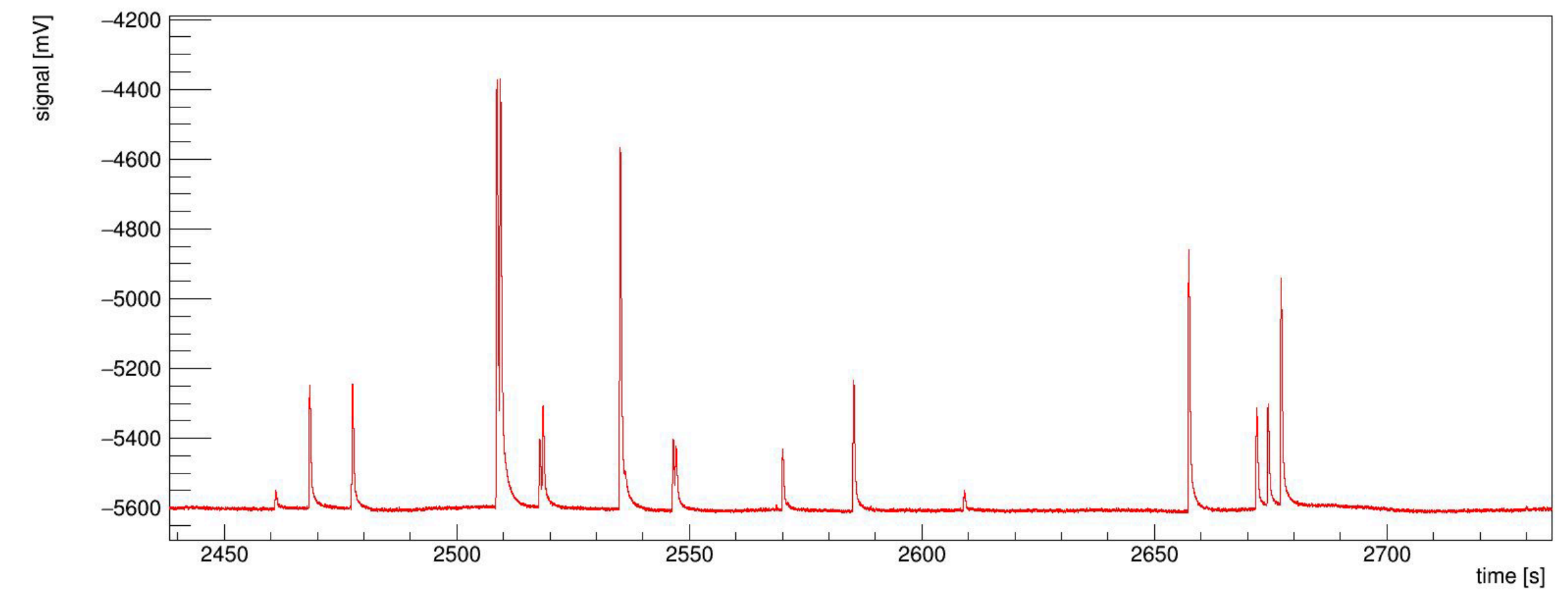
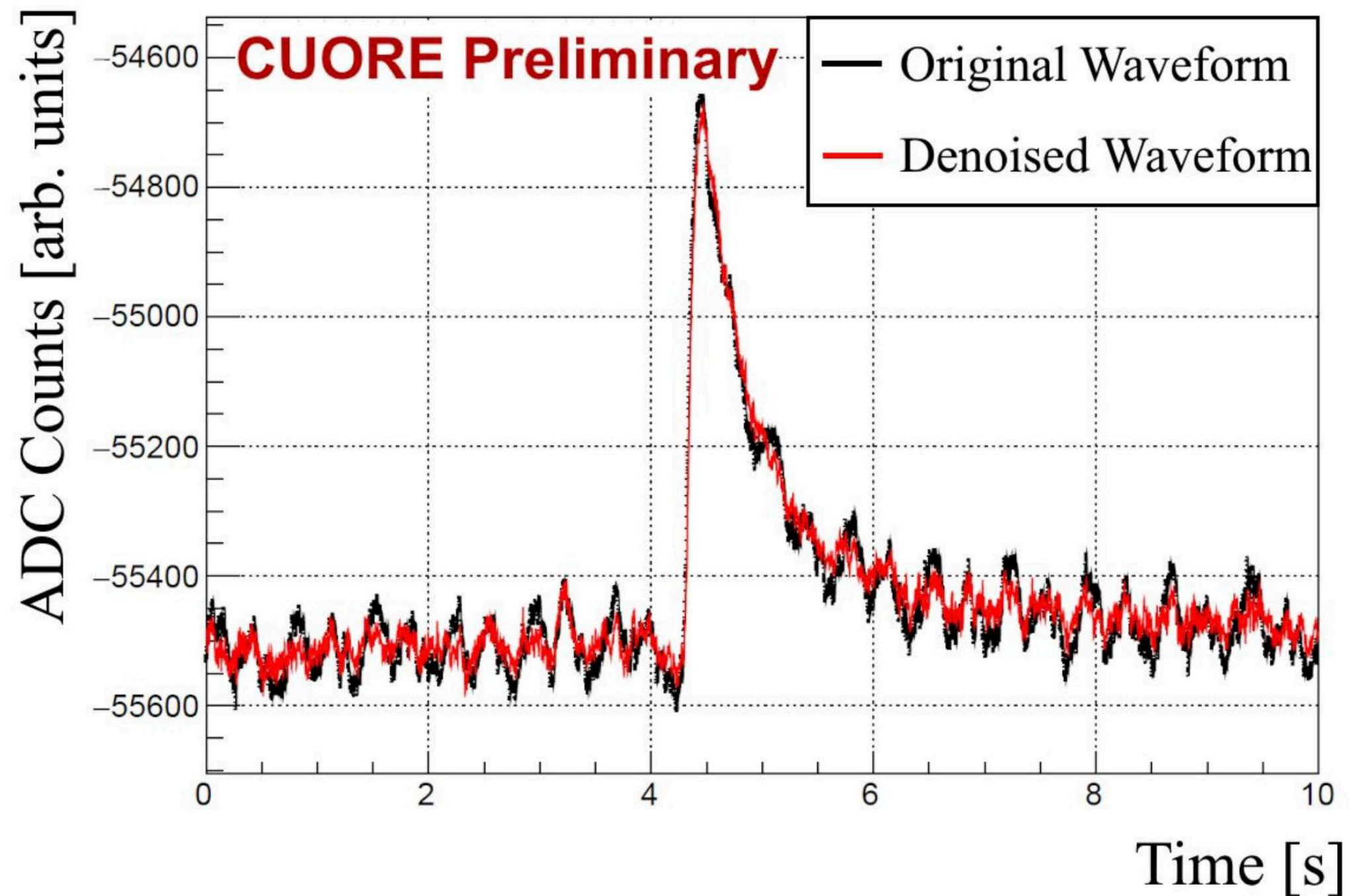


Median Exclusion Sensitivity:  $4.4 \times 10^{25}$  yr  
 (66.6% chance of more stringent limit)  
 $m_{\beta\beta} < [70 - 240]$  meV (depending on NME)  
 Average BI:  $(1.42 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-2}$  cts/keV/kg/yr



# CUORE: Denoising

- New this analysis Eur. Phys. J. C 84, 243 (2024)
- Various auxiliary environmental sensors around cryostat - microphones, accelerometers, seismometers
- Build up predicted noise contribution by correlating noise between auxiliary devices and correlating with calorimeter noise
- Produces less noisy data

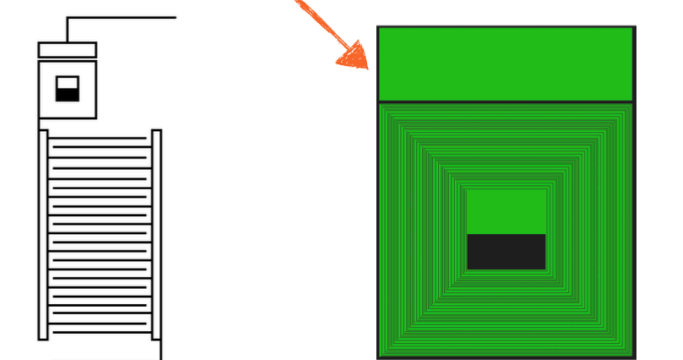
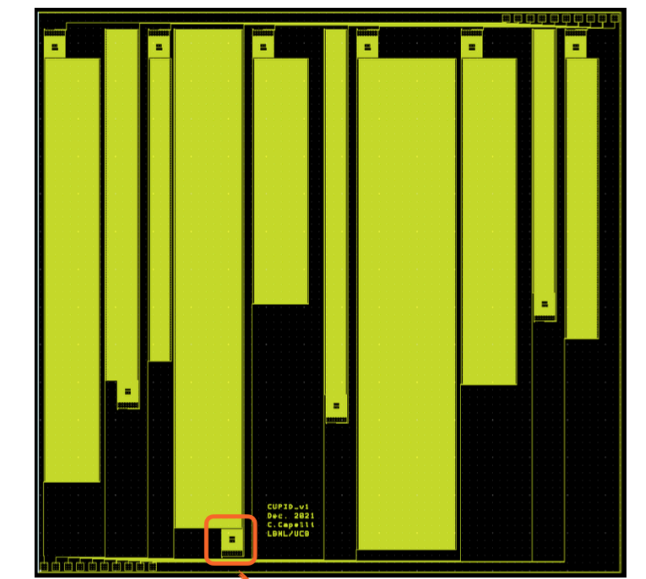
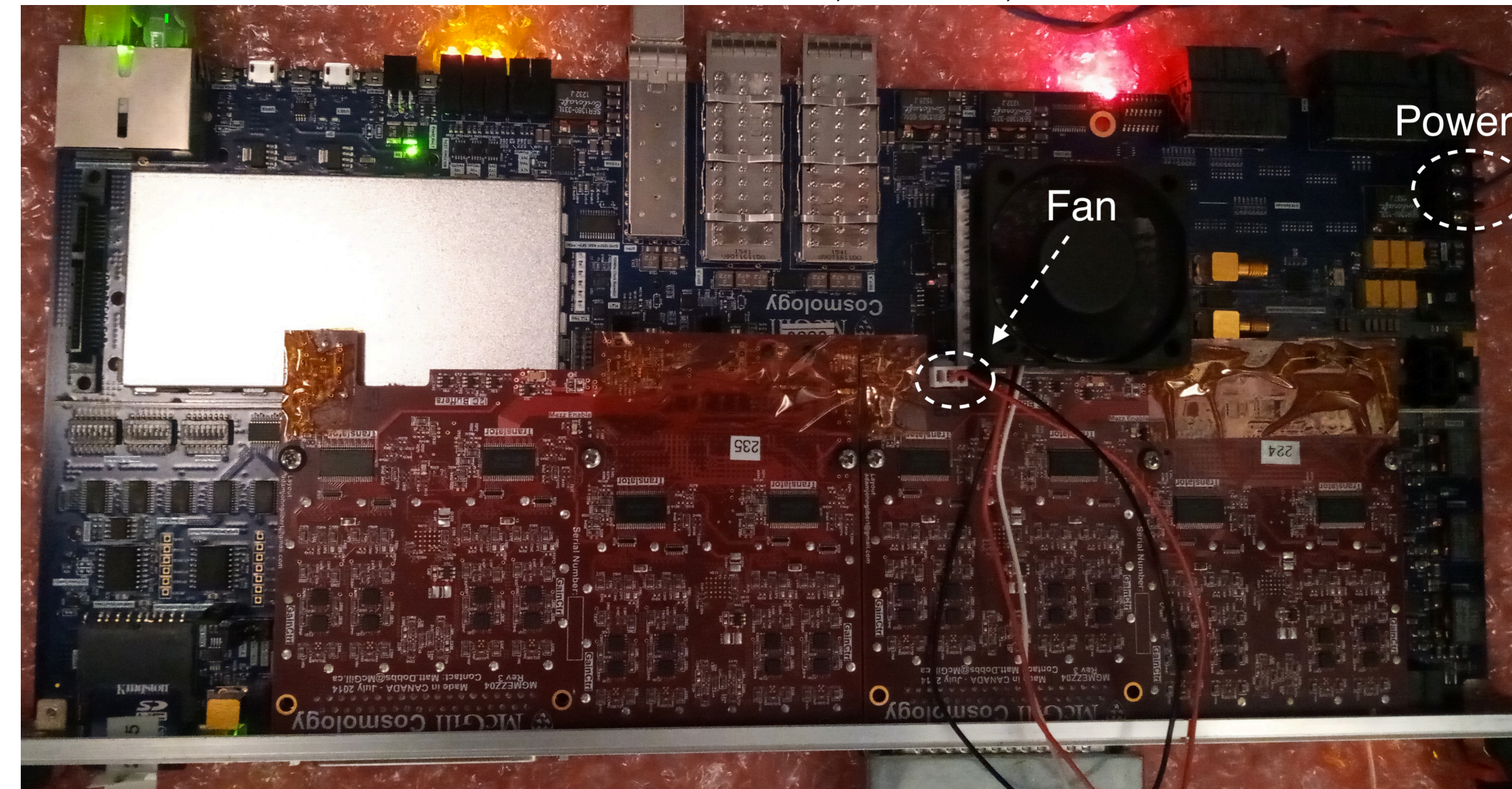


# TES fMUX

IceBoard that controls fMUX

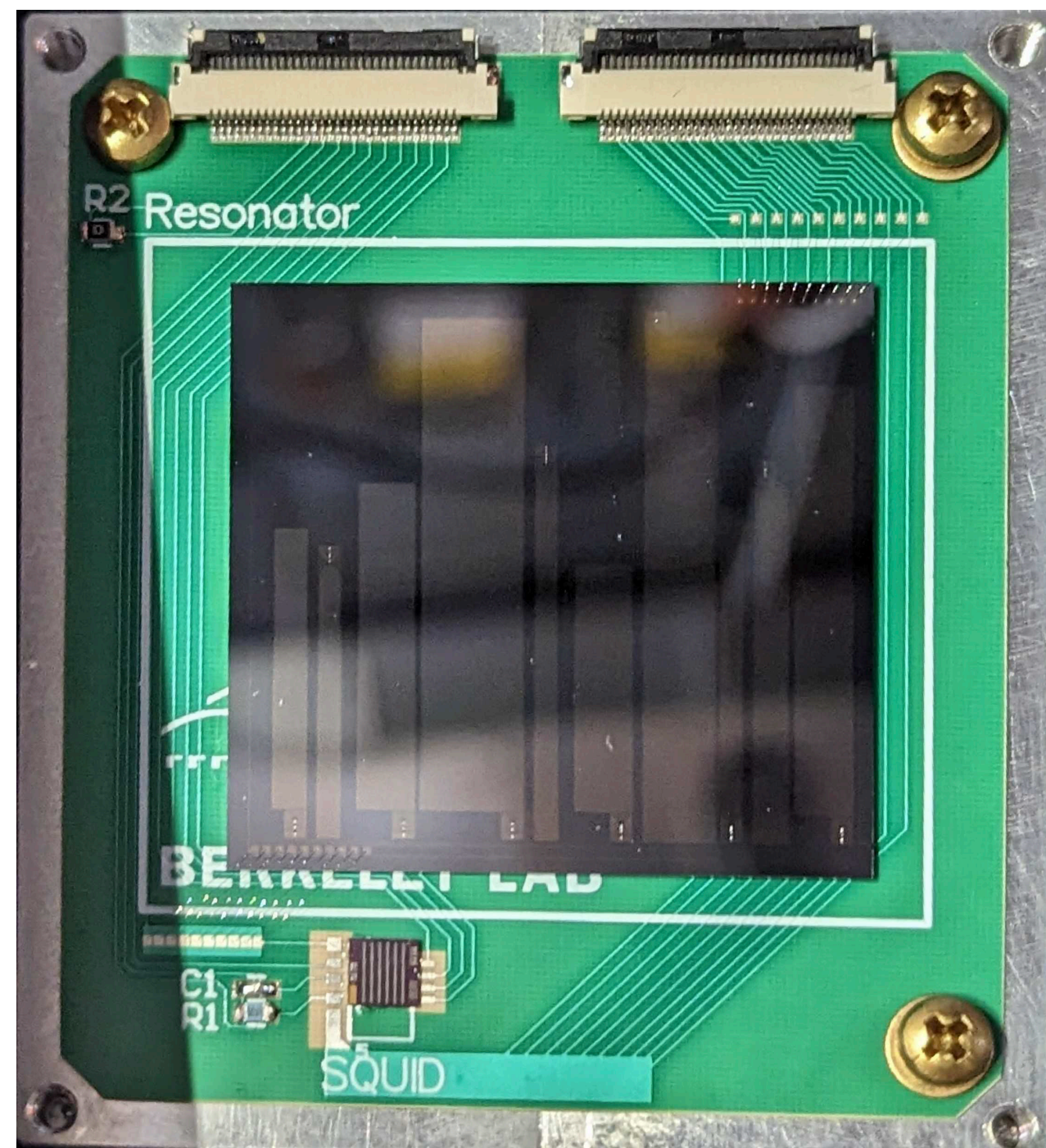


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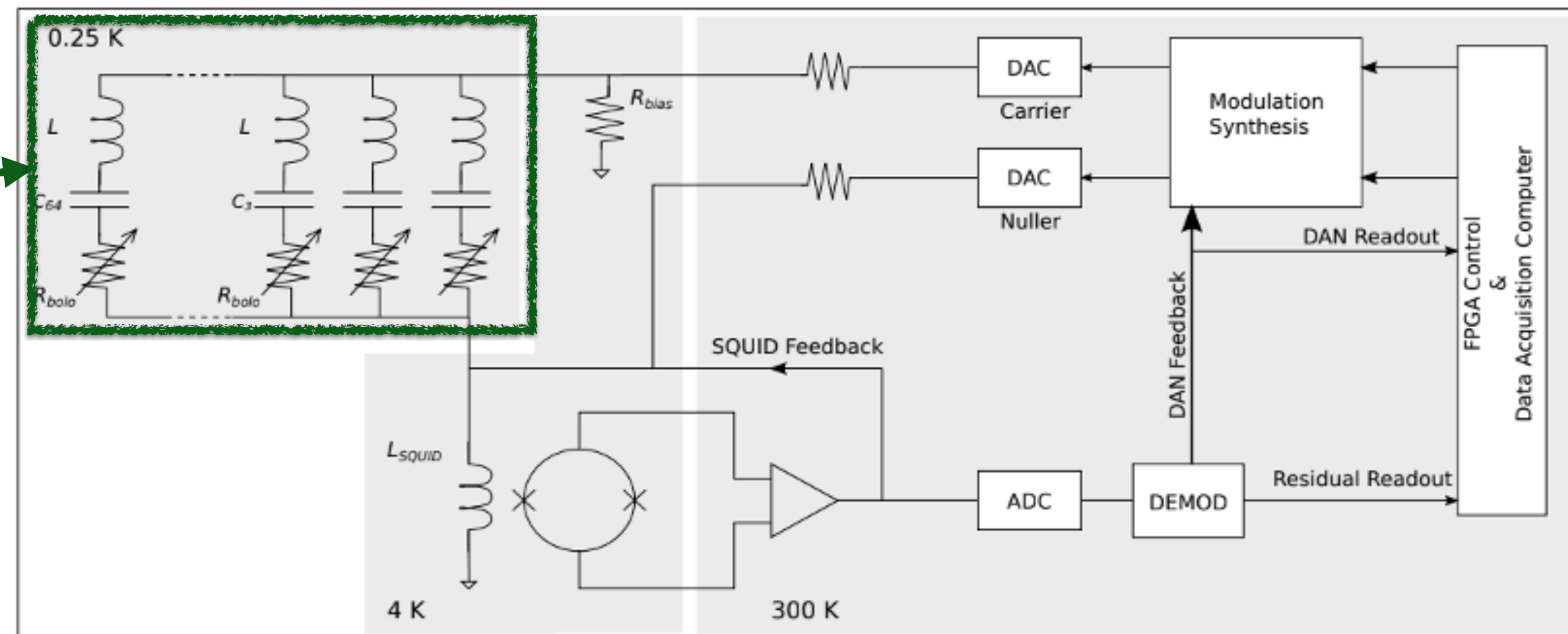


Adapted from CMB experiment:  
*J Low Temp Phys* **184**, 486–491 (2016)

- Working with Aritoki Suzuki CMB group at LBL & McGill
- 10 resonators with  $L \sim 4 \mu\text{H}$  and variable  $C$
- Lithographic spiral inductors with interdigitated capacitors on Si substrate
- Cross talk expected  $< 0.4\%$ , resonance Q-factor  $\sim 50$
- Superconducting Al-PCB and superconducting flex cable



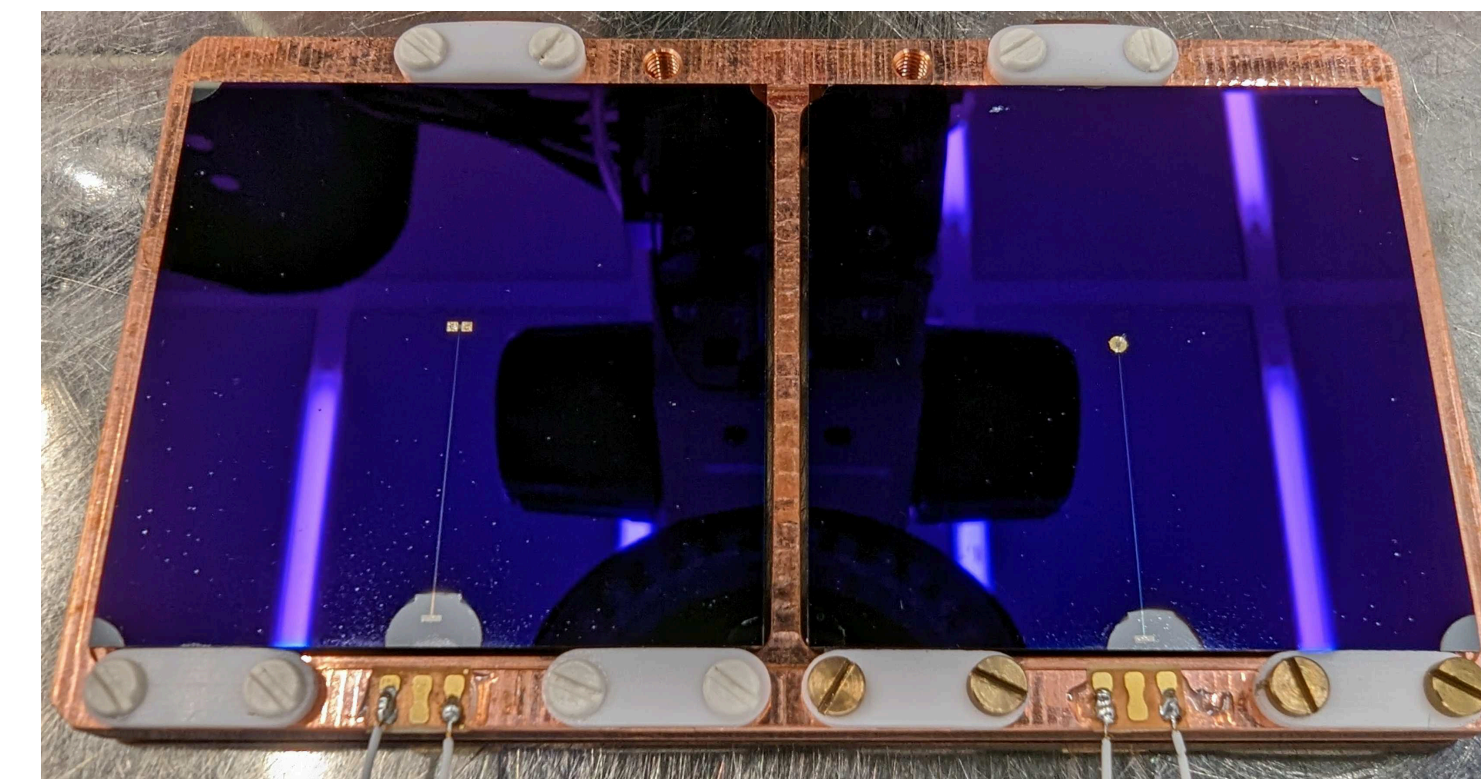
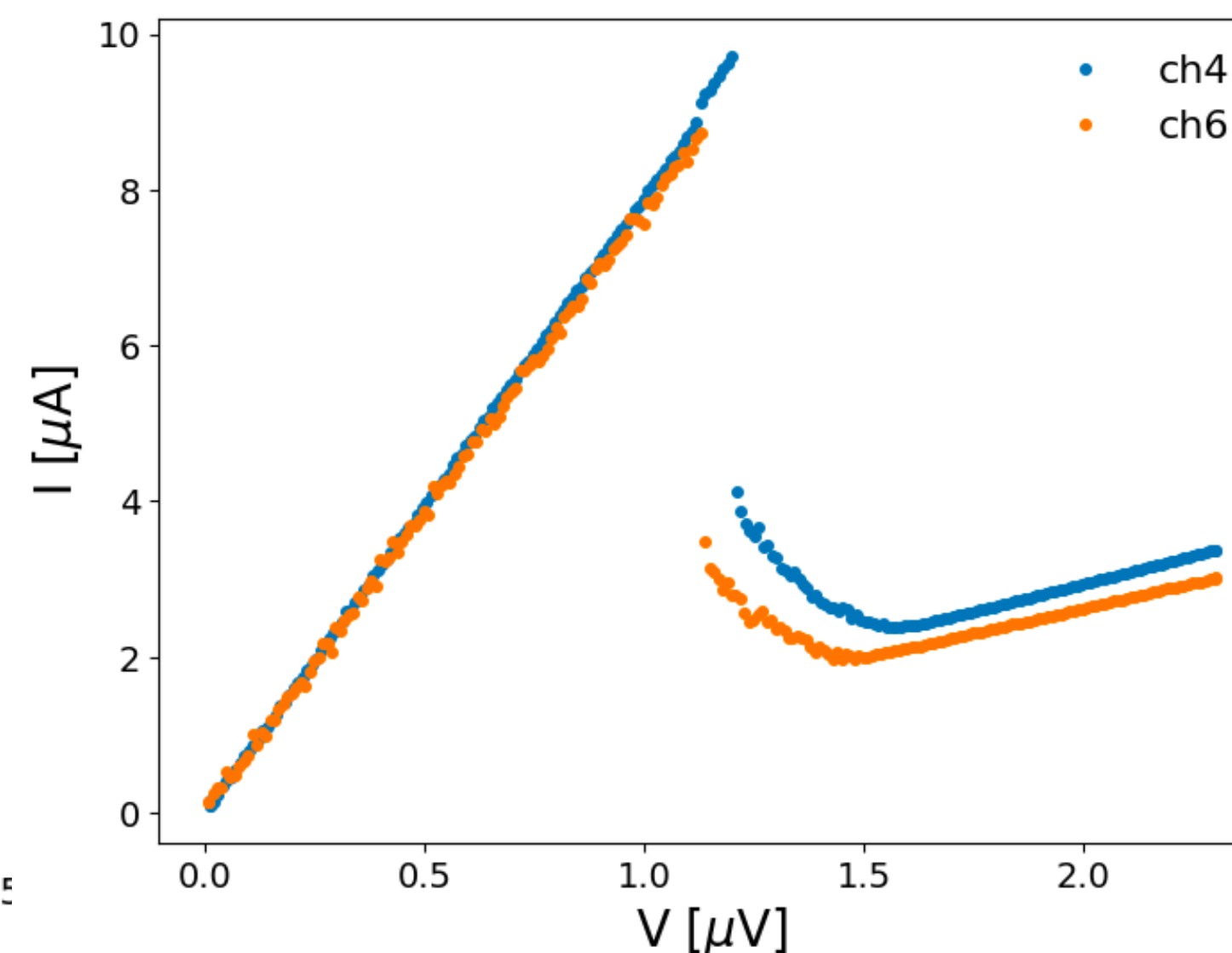
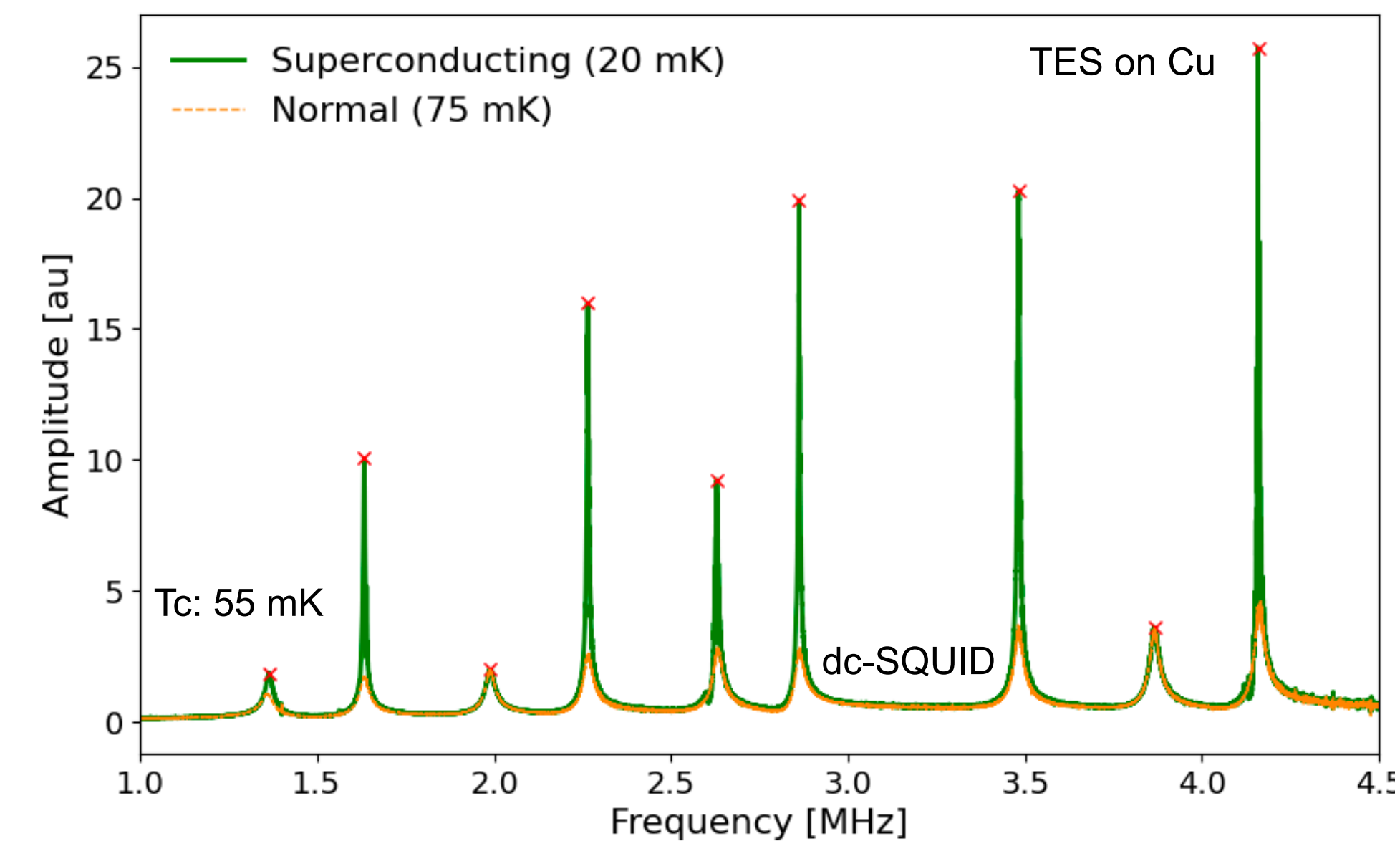
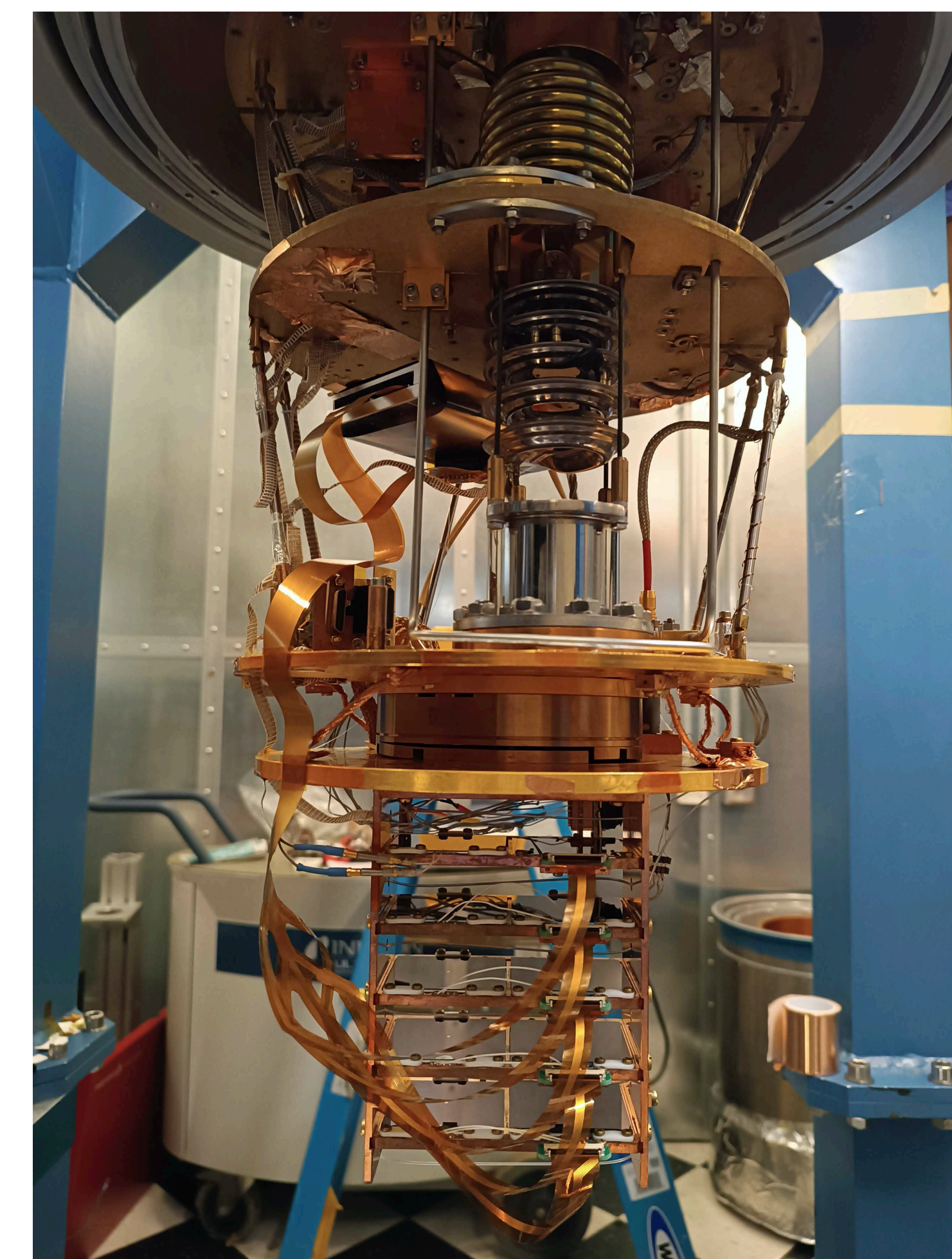
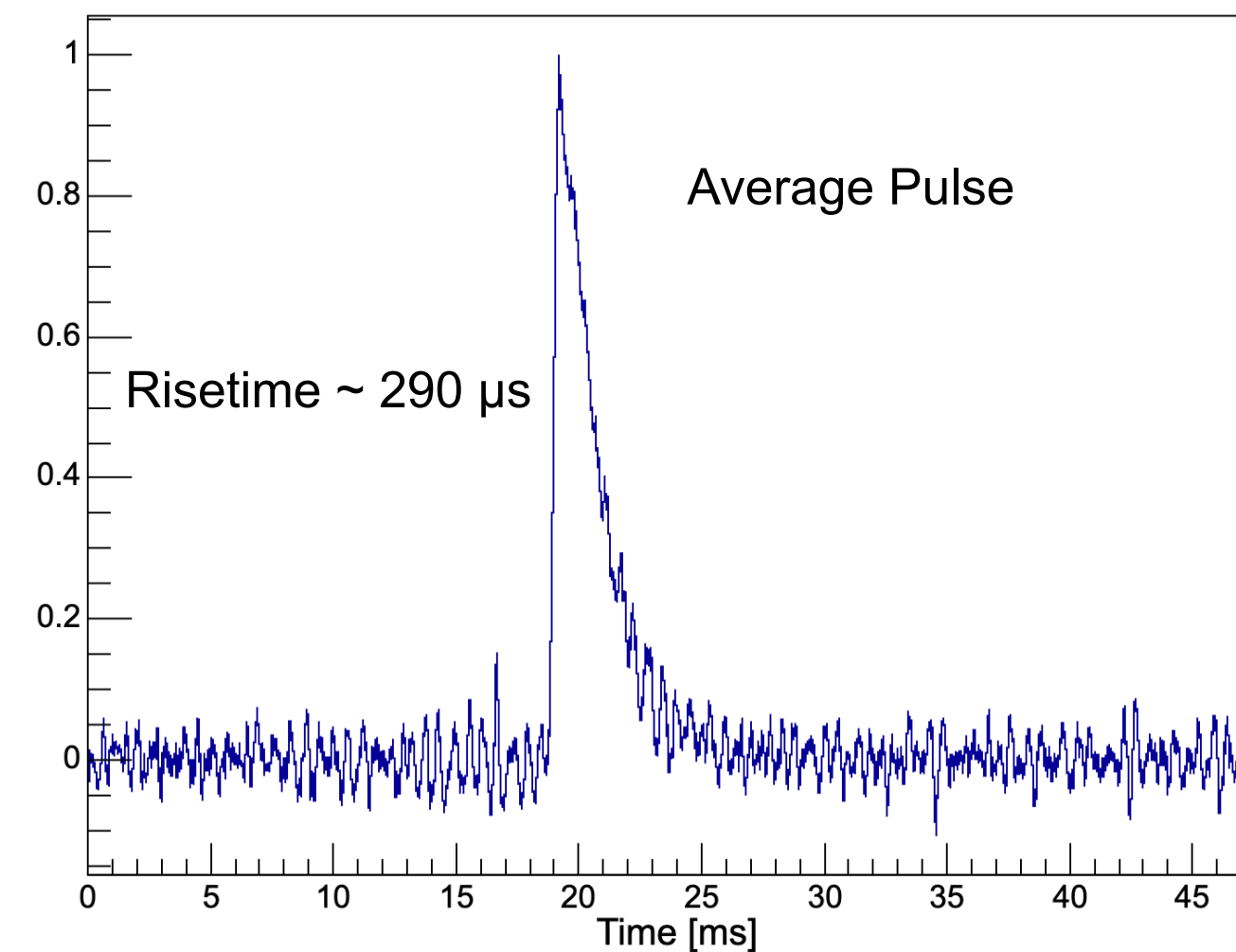
Prototype fMUX resonator  
SA13 SQUID (NIST)



Proceedings of SPIE 9914 99141D-1

# TES fMUX

- PCB with resonator at 700 mK in magnetic shield (MetGlass)
- New square geometry to match CUPID + new semi-circular Au fins
- Detector frame that can hold 10 LDs
- Successful operation of multiple TES



# MUX Upgrades

- Existing shunt impedance is inductive
  - Good for CMB but not needed here
- 5 nH: 30 m $\Omega$  at 1 MHz, 157 m $\Omega$  at 5 MHz  $\rightarrow$  switch to 20 m $\Omega$  resistive shunt
- R&D on connection between flex cable and LD mount
  - Al flex cable
  - nano-D connectors

