



Direction Sensitive Direct Dark Matter Search with Super-High Resolution Nuclear Emulsions

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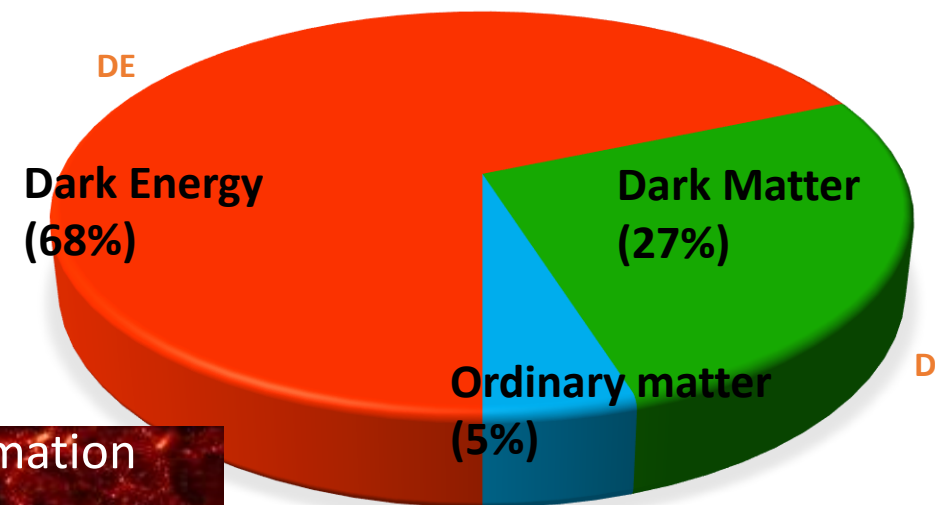
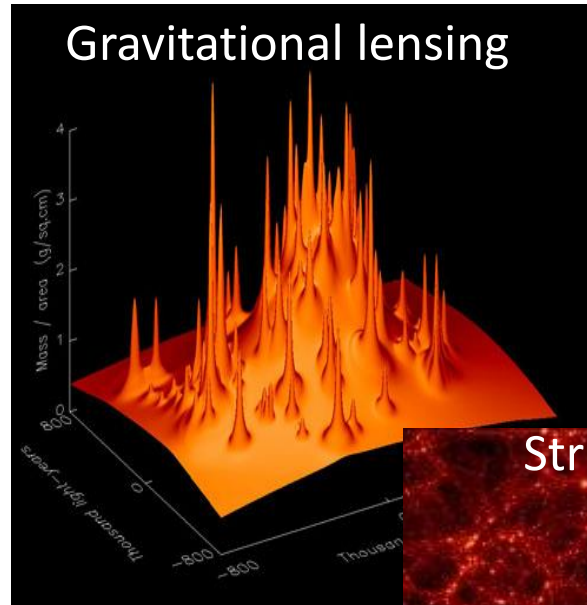
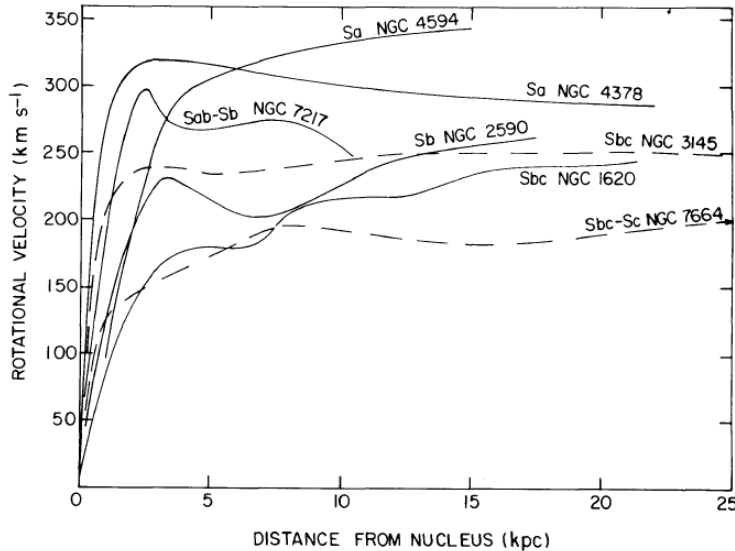
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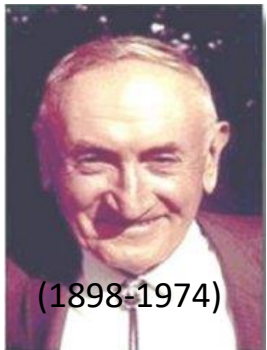
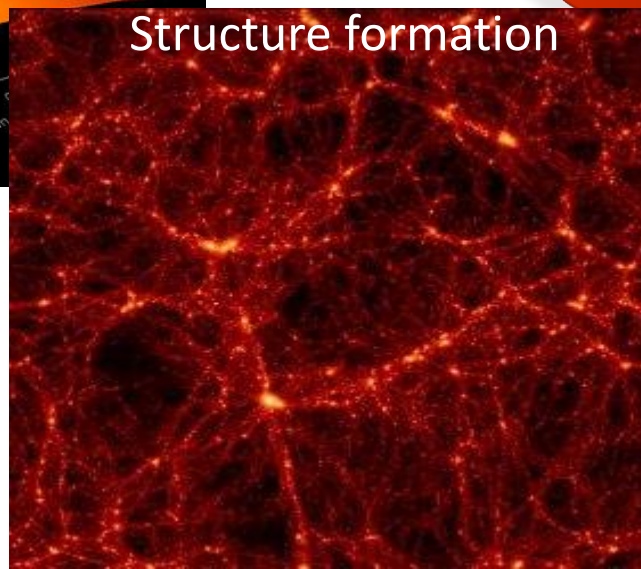
Dark matter problem for various scale of universe

Local scale

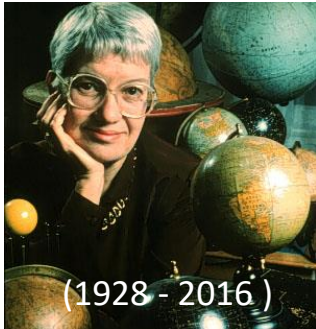
Global scale



Planck 2013 results



(1898-1974)



(1928 - 2016)

Vera C. Rubin et al., *Asro.phys.*

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Dark matter property

□ Thermal process

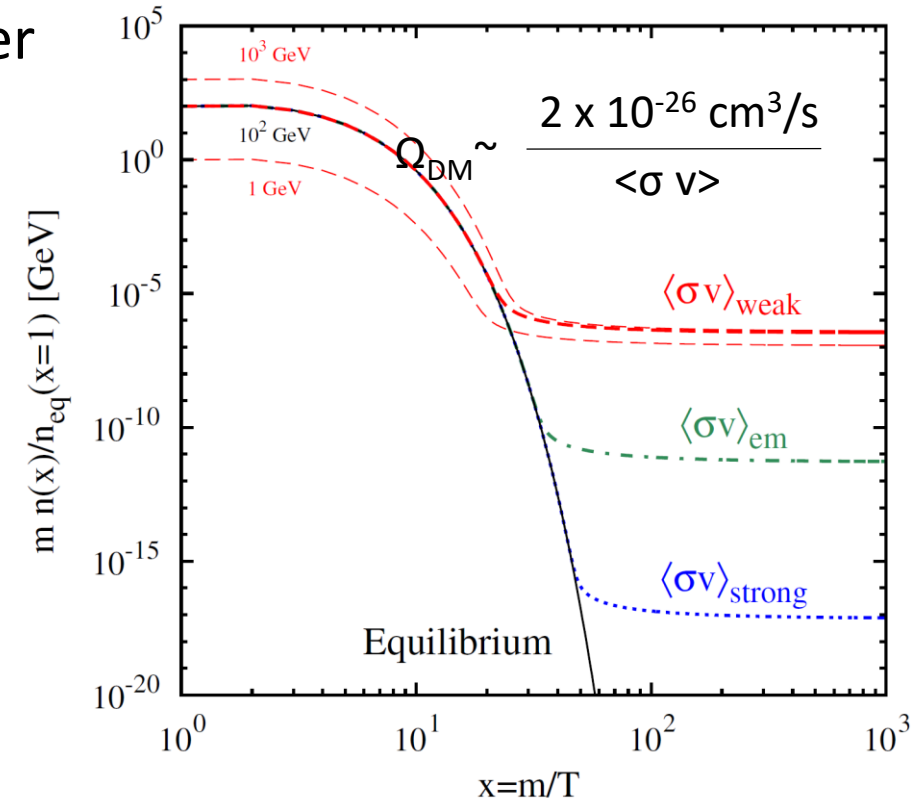
- ☑ weak coupling and the massscale \Rightarrow WIMP dark matter
e.g., SUSY, KK ..
- ☑ Difference of structure formation of galaxy
between observation and simulation
 \Rightarrow warm dark matter (sterile neutrino ?), SIMP dark
matter

□ Non-thermal process

- ☑ Axion
 \Rightarrow solution to “strong CP problem

✓ Other discussion

- ☑ self-interacting dark matter [e.g., Abell3827, MNRAS **449** (2015) 3393]
- ☑ AMS anomaly



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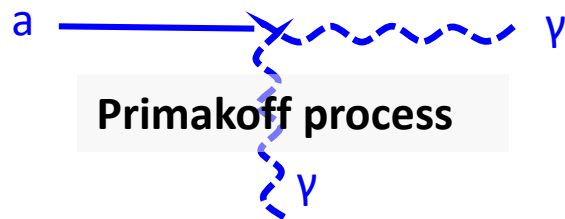
Approach of Dark Matter Search

Axion dark matter

- Strong CP problem for QCD
- Axion is derived by "PQ symmetry" breaking

Expected Mass $\sim 100 \mu\text{eV}/c^2$

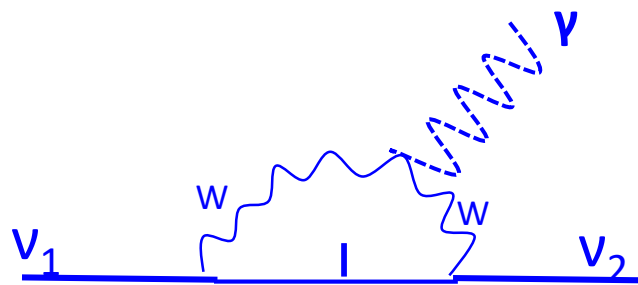
- Lattice QCD [*Nature* **593** (2016) 69-71]
- Cosmology include topological defect [Kawasaki +, PRD **91**, 065014 (2015)]



warm dark matter

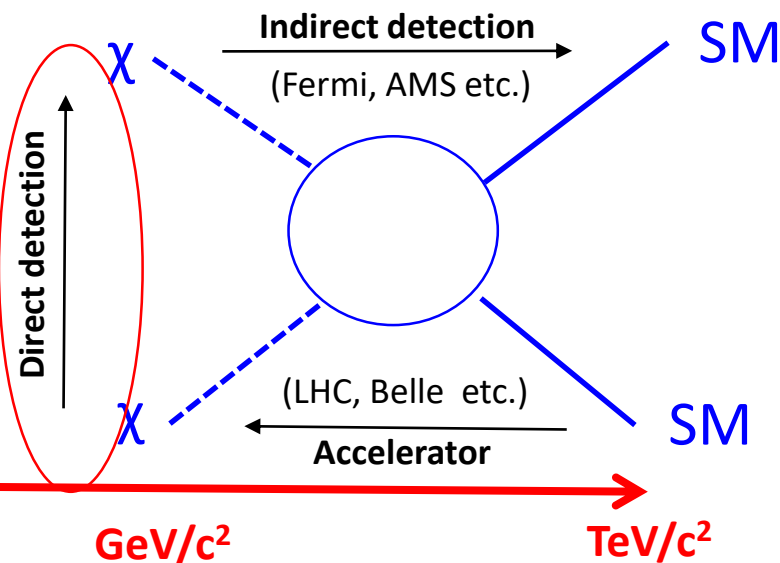
- Lighter mass particle with bit larger velocity dispersion e.g., sterile neutrino

Anomaly of short base-line experiment is incompatible from dark matter because of too high mixing angle



WIMP dark matter

- Weak scale from thermal relic abundance
- Massive particle as cold dark matter
- Encourage from some beyond SM theory



$\mu\text{eV}/c^2$

meV/c^2

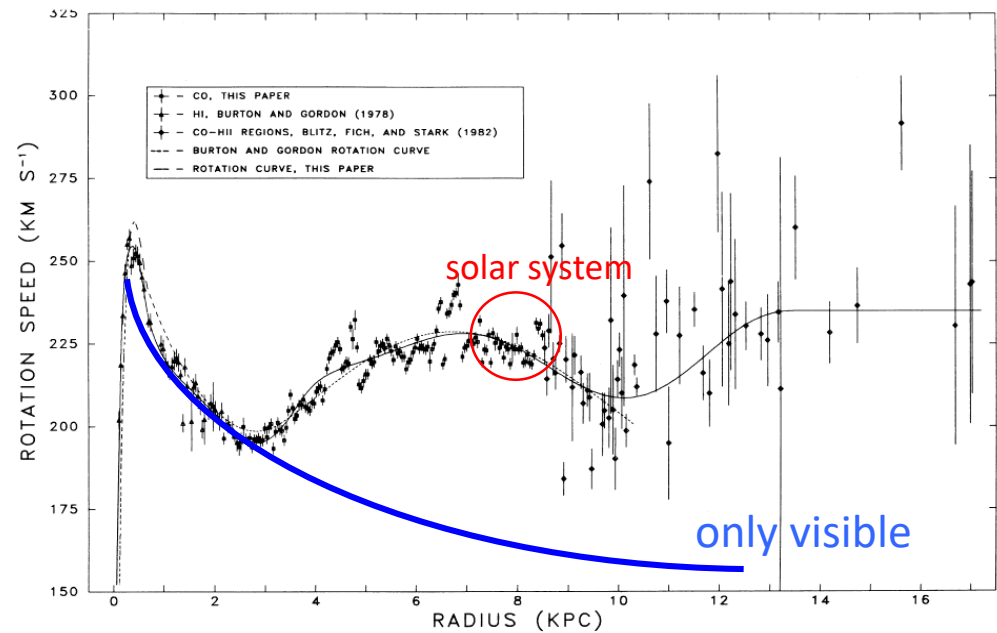
keV/c^2

GeV/c^2

TeV/c^2

Dark Matter mass

Dark Matter in the Milky Way galaxy



Astrophys. J. 295: 422-436, 1985

VERA
high precision measurement of rotation for Milkyway Galaxy

High precision measurement project of rotation velocity of Milkyway galaxy (measurement by the trigonometric parallax)

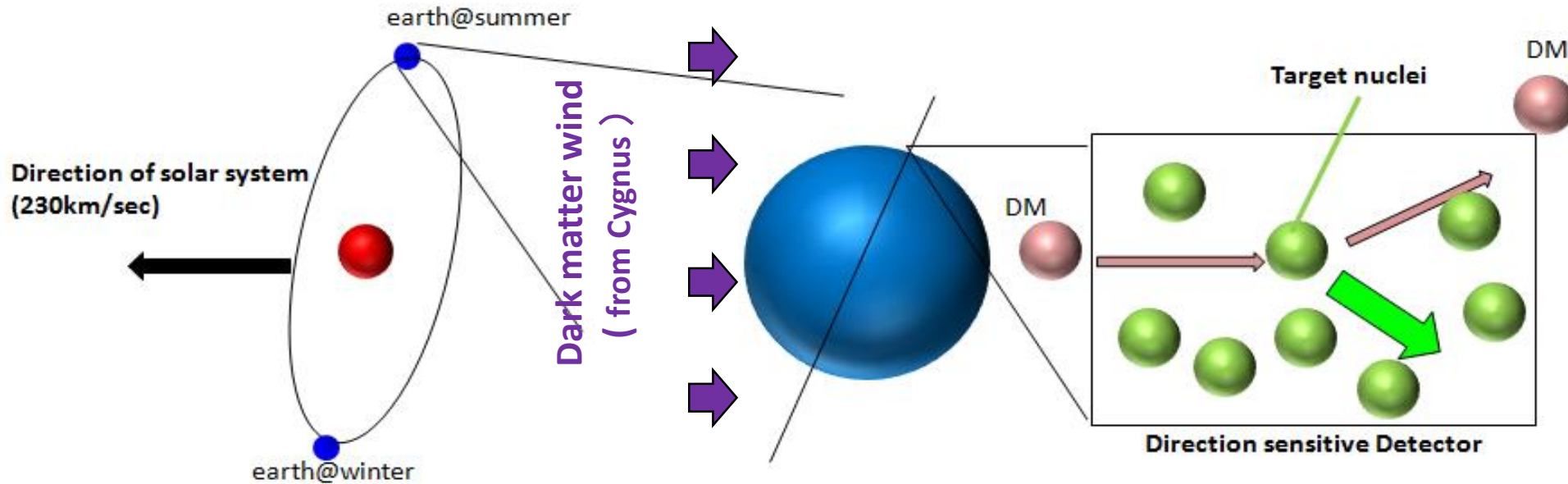
$220 \text{ km/sec} \Rightarrow 240 \pm 14 \text{ km/sec}$ around solar system (8kpc)

Local dark matter density : $0.3\text{-}0.5 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$

- ✓ This value is independent on dark matter model
- ✓ Very much mount of DM is condensed in the halo because mean dark matter density in the universe is $\sim 1.4 \text{ keV/cm}^3$ (27 % of critical density ratio)

Dark matter flux on the earth $\sim 100000 \text{ /cm}^2\text{/sec}$ @ $100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ dark matter

Detection principle



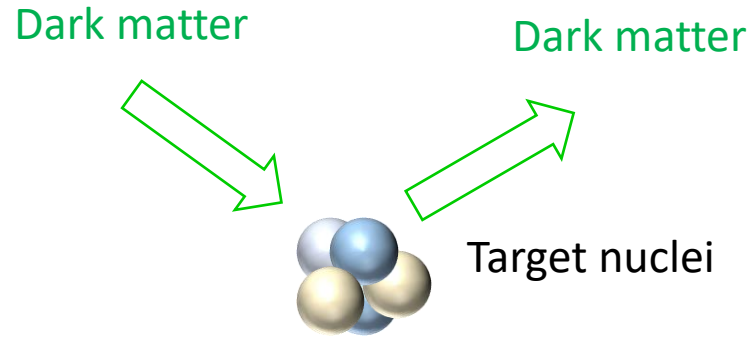
$$S(v_{lab}) \simeq S_k(v_s) + \underbrace{S_{Ann} \cos \omega_{rev} (t - t_0)}_{\text{Annual Modulation}} + \underbrace{S_d \cos \omega_{rot} (t - t_d)}_{\text{Diurnal Modulation}}$$

2 – 3 % variation
0.1 – 0.01 % variation

This is impossible for current technologies.

Kinematics of direct DM detection

WIMP dark matter detection



keV scale energy

Nuclear recoil

Detection as
Ionization
Phonon
Light

Dark Matter halo distributio

Local dark matter density :
0.3-0.5 GeV/cm³

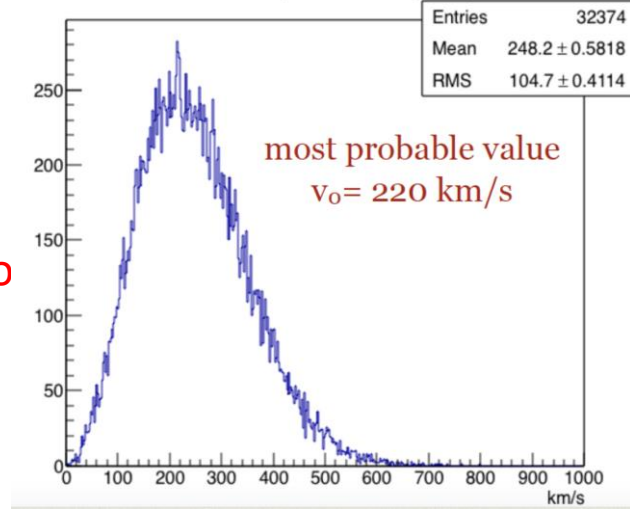
$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int_{v_{min}}^{v_{max}} d^3v f(\vec{v}) v \frac{d\sigma(\vec{v}, E_R)}{dE_R}$$

Unknown parameter

Target and detector dependence

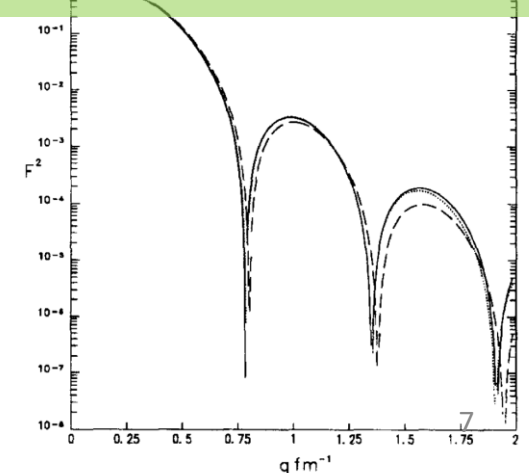
- Nuclear form factor
- Quenching factor
- ⇒ it's important for cross section and energy reconstruction

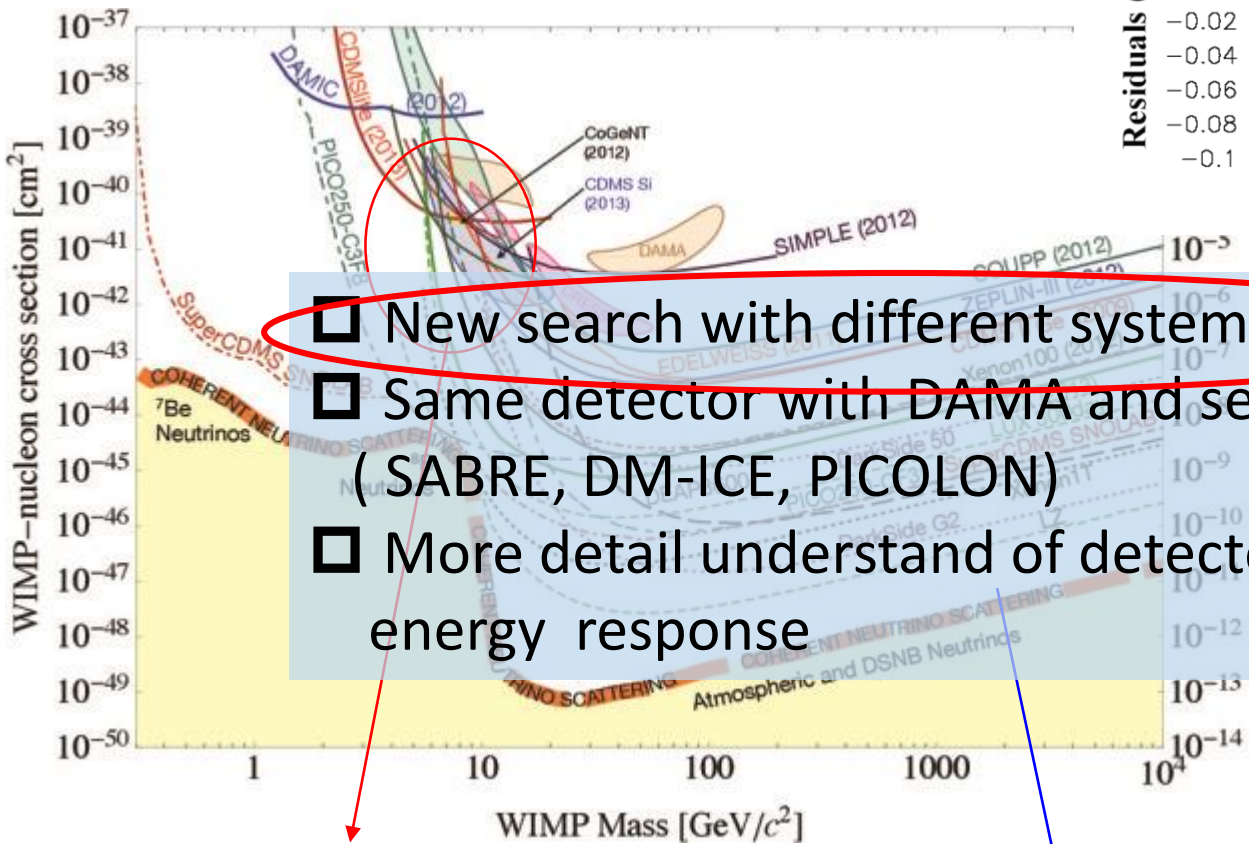
DM velocity in the Milky Way



Unknown parameter
And particle model dependence

Form factor effect to momentum transfer

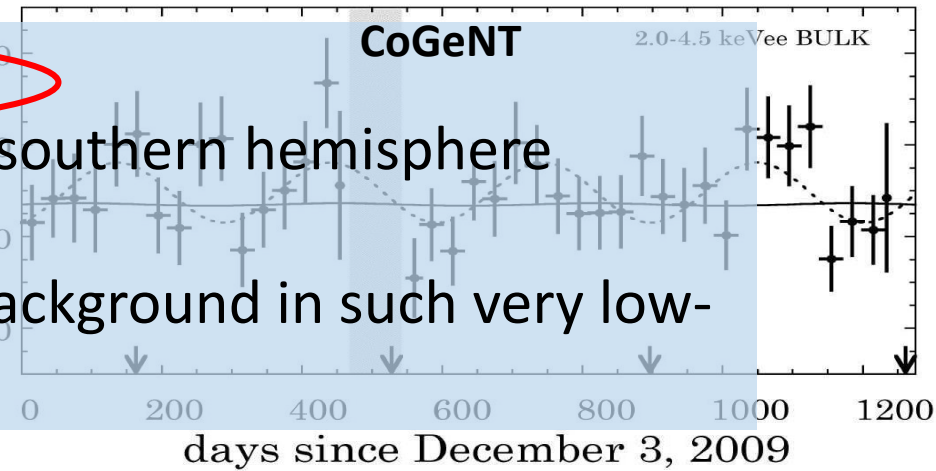
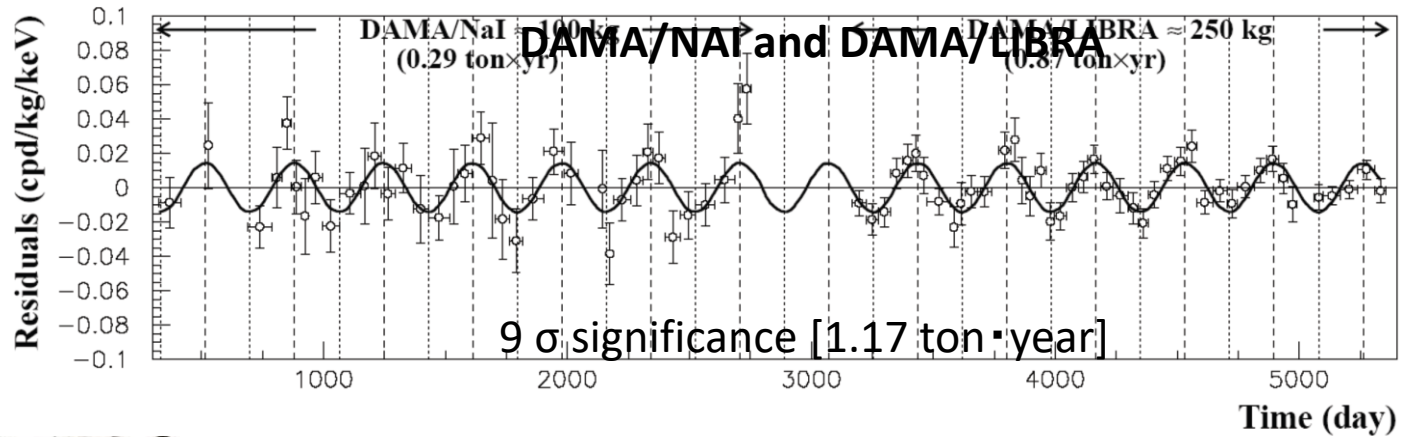




- ❑ New search with different systematics
- ❑ Same detector with DAMA and search on southern hemisphere (SABRE, DM-ICE, PICOLON)
- ❑ More detail understand of detector and background in such very low-energy response

Around 10 GeV mass region is very chaotic, and other detectors are also just around energy threshold

Coherent scattering due to neutrino is final bound



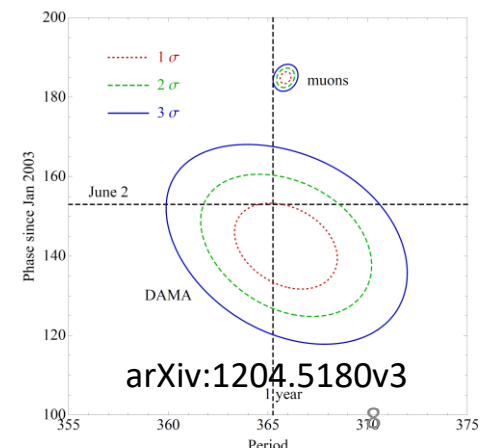
DAMA : May 26th +/- 7 days

5.7 sigma difference

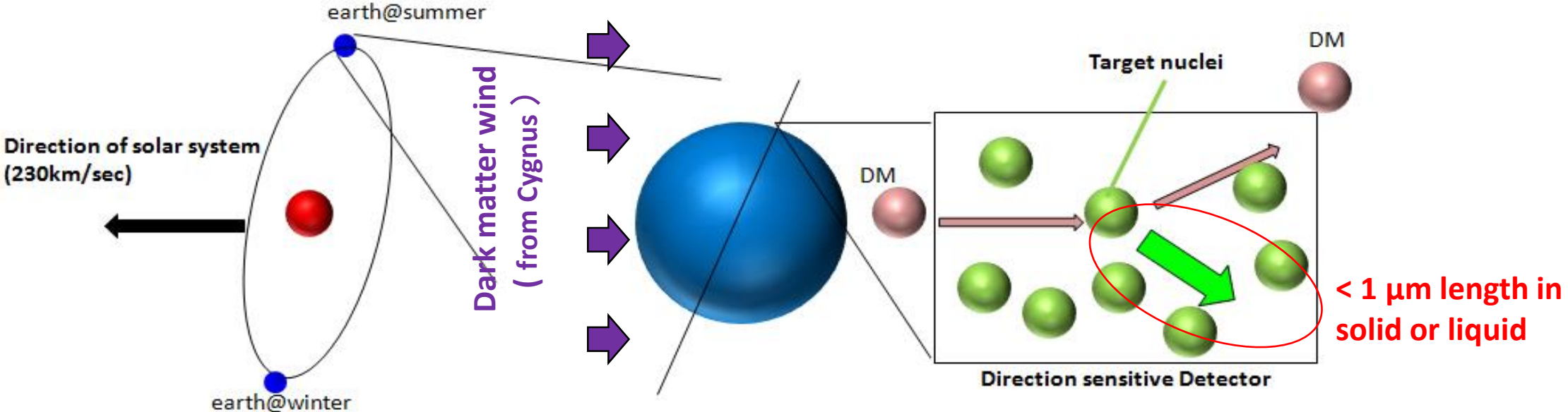
Muon by BOREXINO

July 7 +/- 6 days

(June 29 +/- 6 days)



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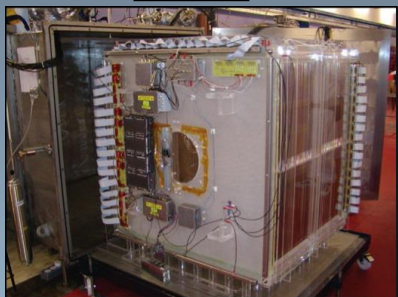

Directional detection
 (= detection as track)

Direction Sensitive detector

CYGNUS community

Gaseous Detector

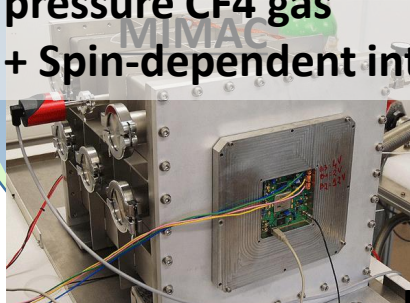
DRIFT



DMTPC

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Typically target mass scale ~ 10-100 g with low-pressure CF4 gas + Spin-dependent interaction search



High pressure Xe gas



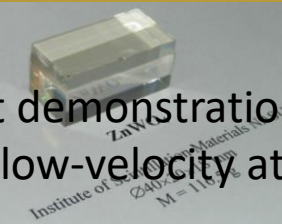
Solid detector

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Future project toward high scale + model-independent directional search

ZnWO₄



Not demonstration yet for low-velocity atom

- ❑ White paper : “ The Case For a Directional Dark Matter Detector And Status of Current Experimental Efforts “, Int. Ann. Mod. Phys. A, Vol.25, No.1 (2010) 1-51
- ❑ Readout technology paper : “Readout technologies for directional WIMP Dark Matter detection “, Phys. Rep. Vol.662 (2016) 1-46

The NEWSdm Collaboration

[Nuclear Emulsions for WIMPs Search with directional measurement]

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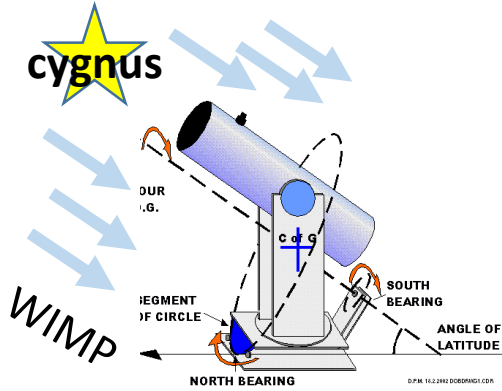
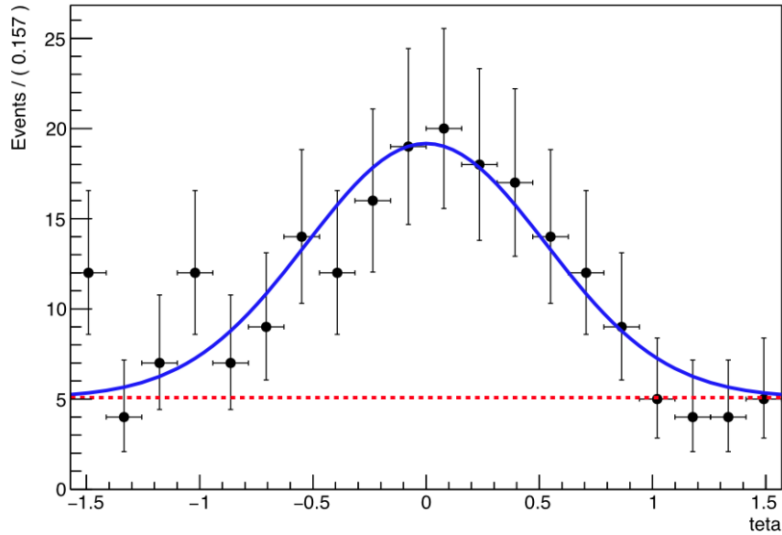
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NEWS: Nuclear Emulsions for WIMP Search
Letter of Intent
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Potential of Directional Sensitive Search



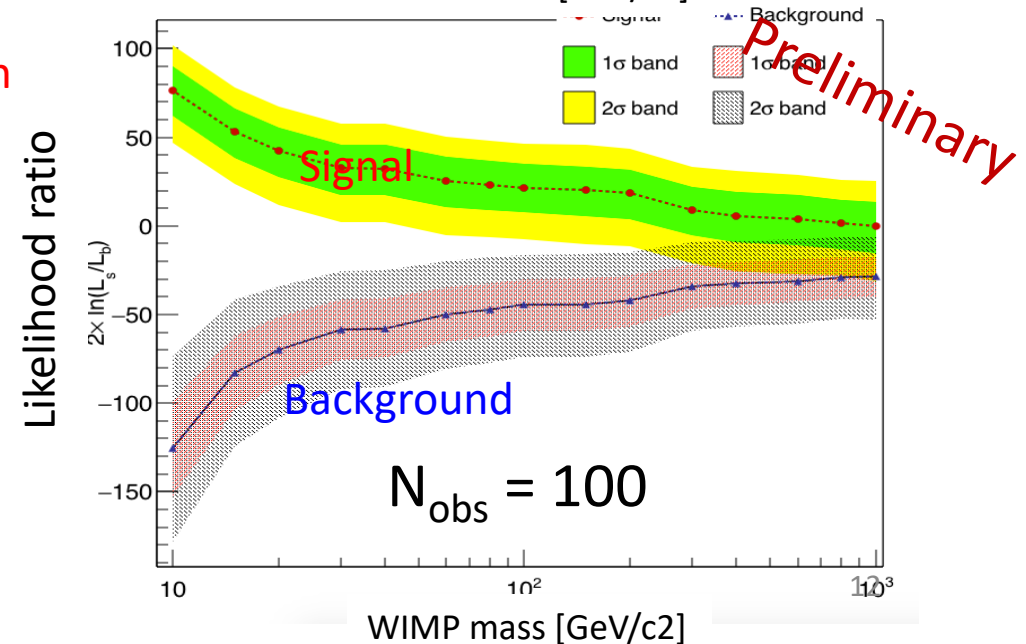
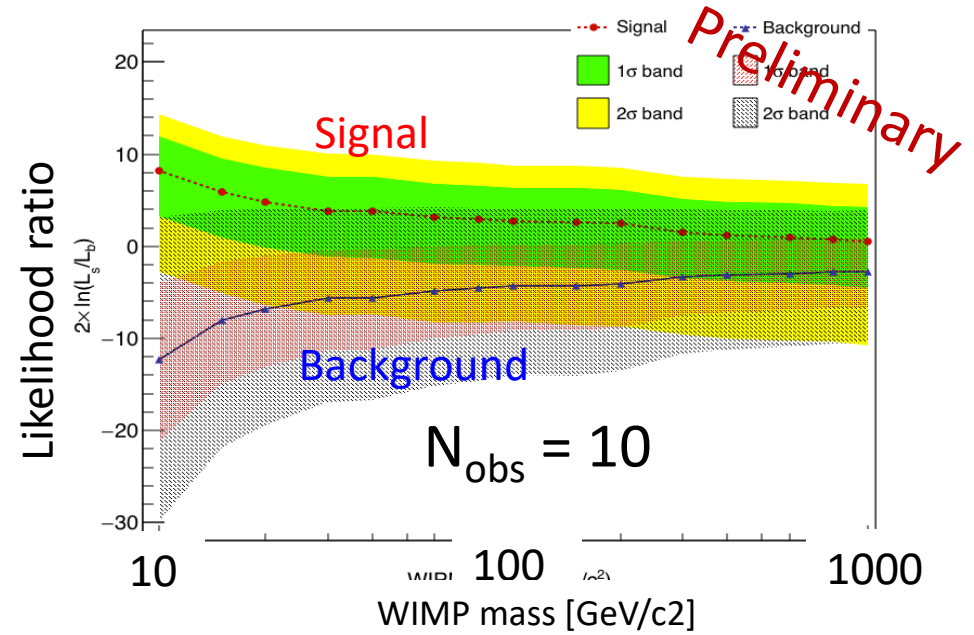
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{(\mu_s + \mu_b)^N}{N!} e^{-(\mu_s + \mu_b)} \times \prod \left(\frac{\mu_s}{\mu_s + \mu_b} S(R_n) + \frac{\mu_b}{\mu_s + \mu_b} B(R_n) \right)$$

Gaussian distribution Flat distribution

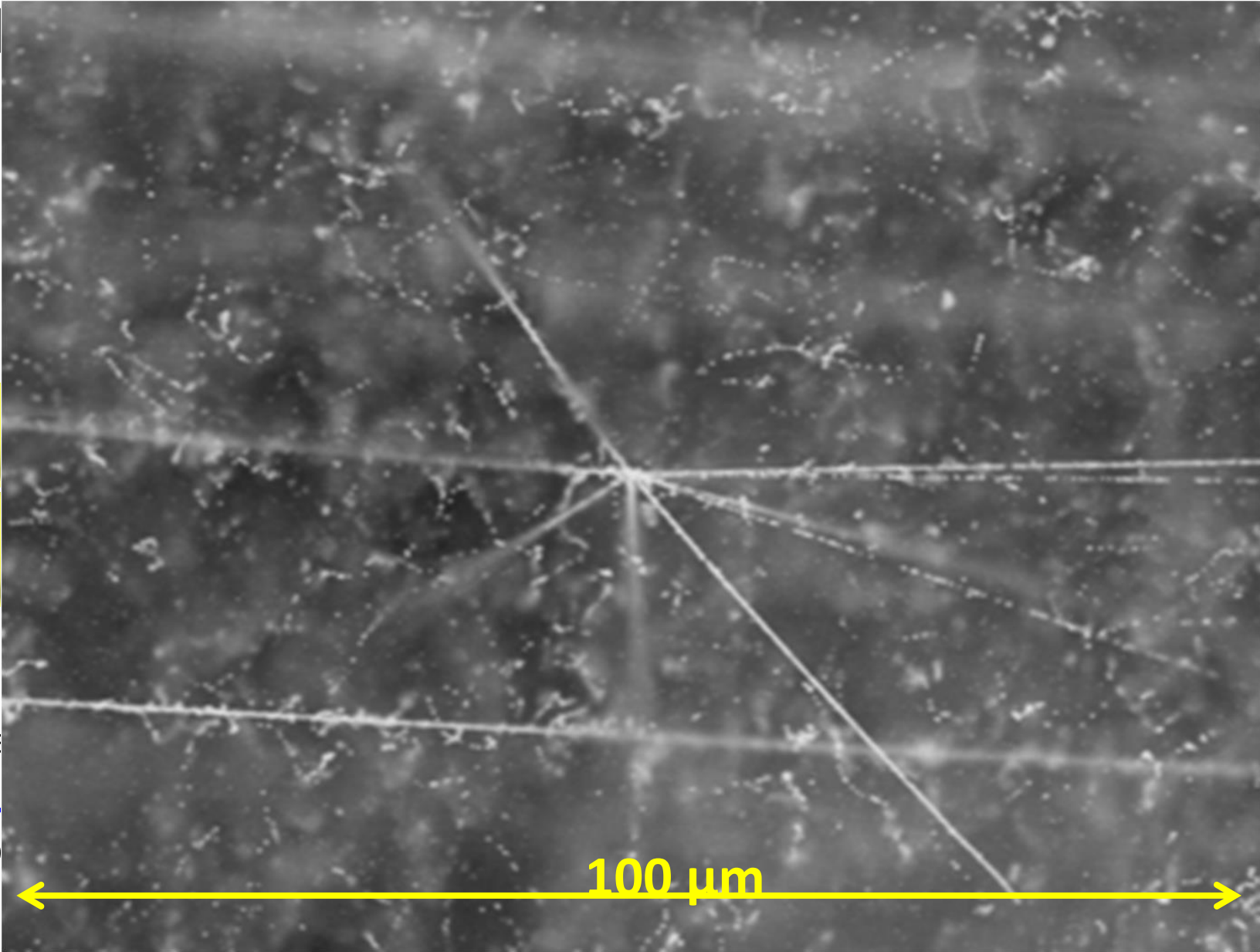
Direction information : Several 10 events

Gain of 100 times

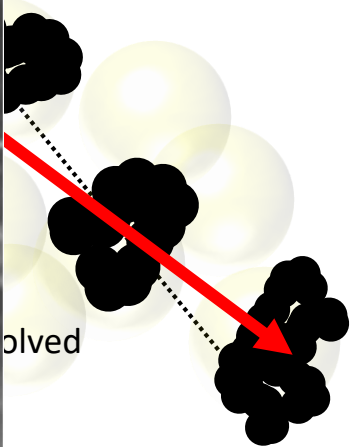
Annual modulation : Several 1000 events



Nuclear



Silver halide crystals



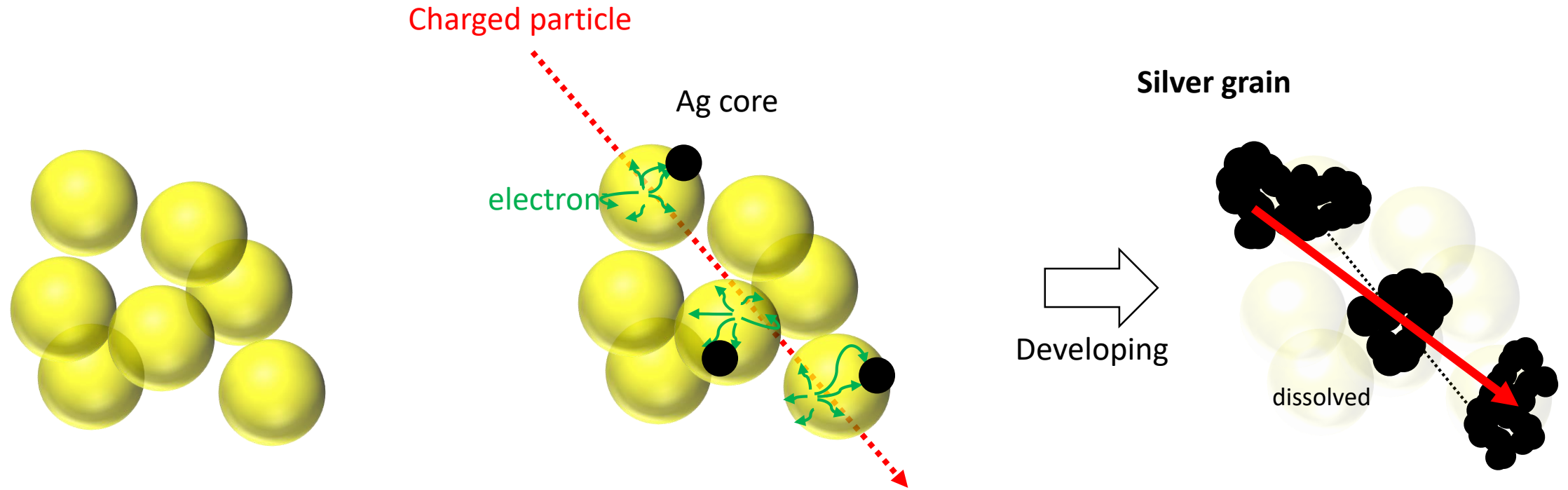
read out by microscope

Sp
 Se
image specks

100 μm

ability of latent

Nuclear Emulsion [detection principle]



Silver halide crystal ($\text{AgBr}\cdot\text{I}$) in the polymer (gelatin)

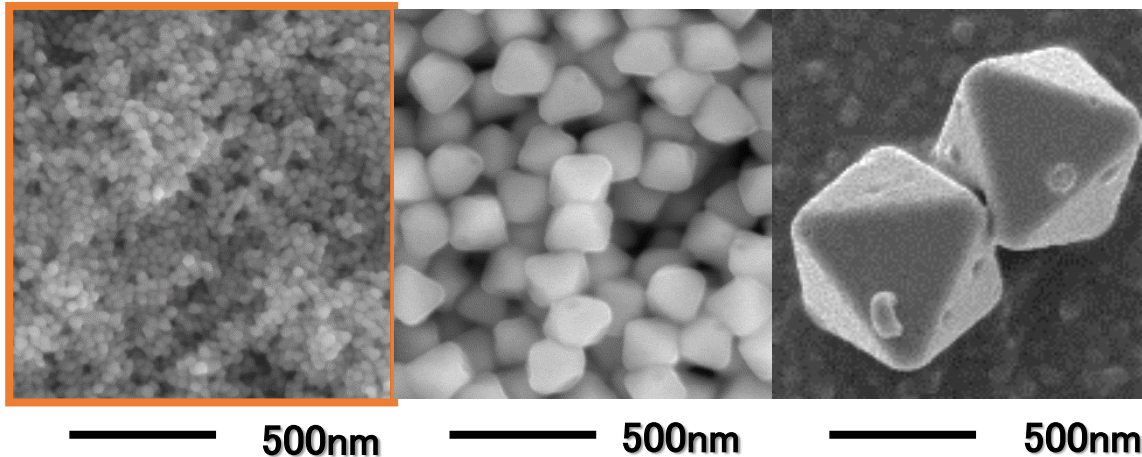
⇒ Tracks are read out by microscope

- ❑ Spatial resolution ⇒ crystal size and the density
- ❑ Sensitivity crystal ⇒ crystal size, deepness of electron traps, stability of latent image specks

Nuclear emulsion [production]



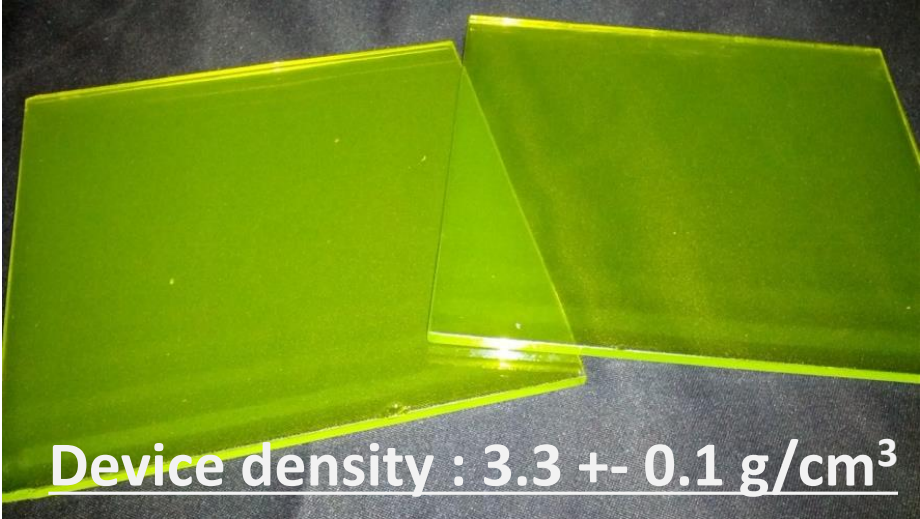
- That have been started since 2010 by support of KMI
- Self-production of device by scientists
- Now, this place is operated as the center for nuclear emulsion users
- This project is pioneer of that.



	x1 scale machine	x 3 scale machine
Install	2010	2014
one batch scale	~ 100 g device	~ 300 g device
Cost per batch	~ 10 K Yen	~ 30 k Yen
Purpose	R&D, DM search	Mass production

Kobe Univ., Toho Univ., Univ. of Tokyo, Bern Univ. and others for neutrino physics, cosmic-ray, muon tomography and other motivation

Fine-grained Nuclear Emulsion [Nano Imaging Tracker: NIT]

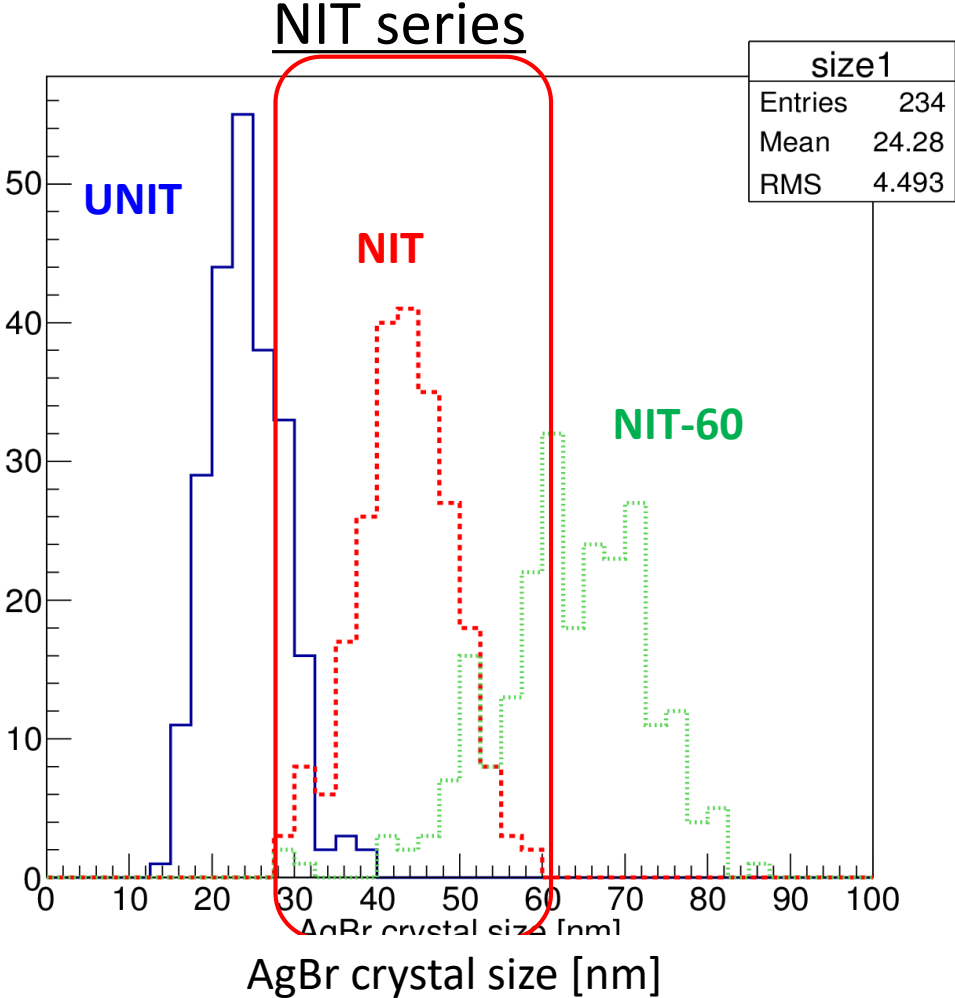


Device density : 3.3 +/- 0.1 g/cm³

Elemental composition of NIT

	Mass fraction	Atomic Fraction	
Ag	0.44	0.10	
Br	0.32	0.10	
I	0.019	0.004	
C	0.101	0.214	
O	0.074	0.118	
N	0.027	0.049	✓
H	0.016	0.410	✓
S	< 0.001	< 0.001	✓

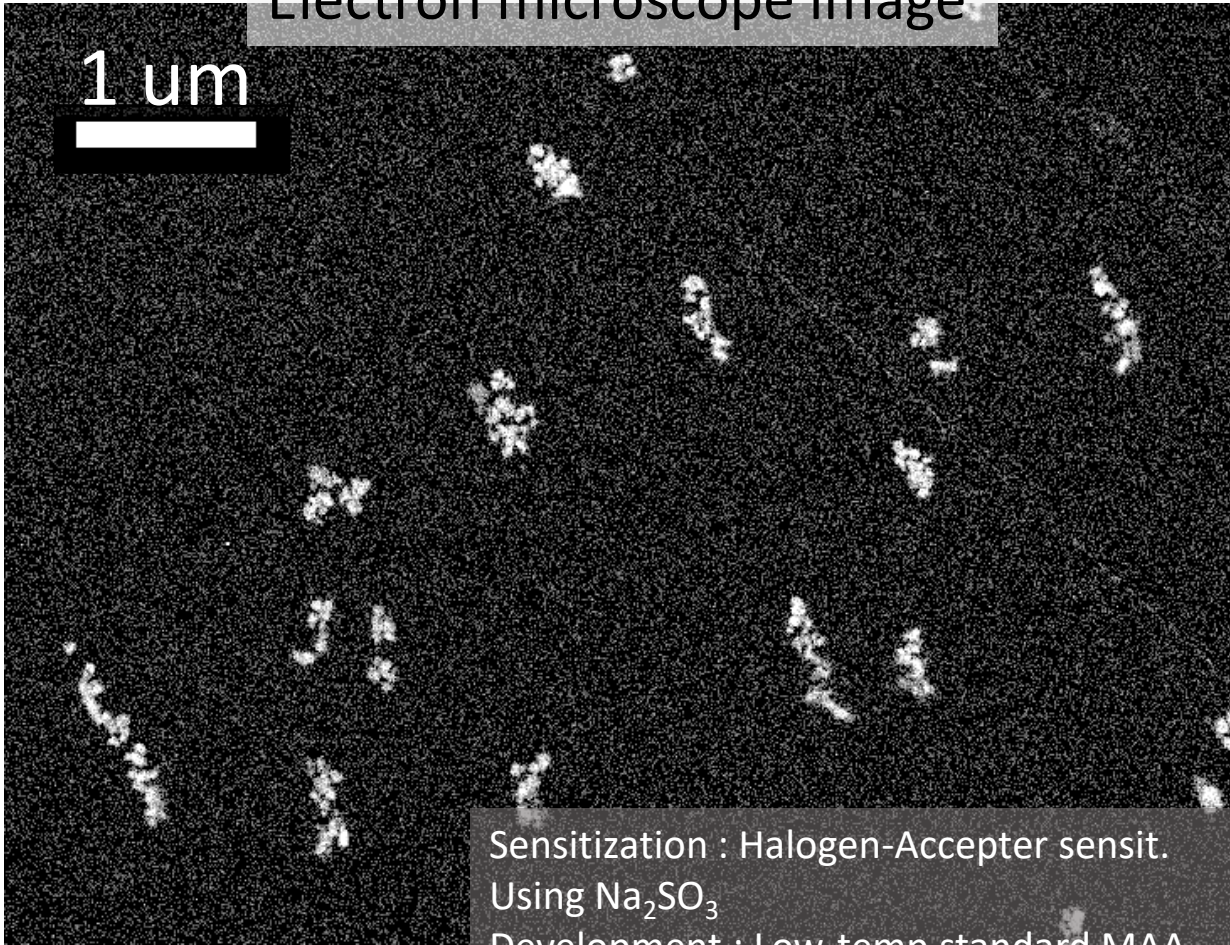
Elemental analyze
SEM-EDX
content for added chemical



Low-velocity ions tracking for NIT device

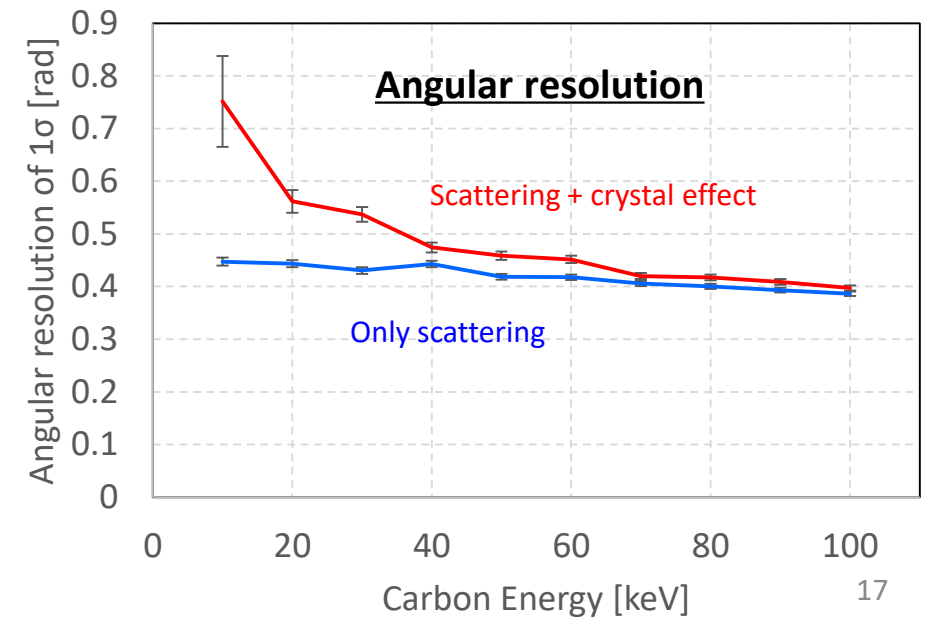
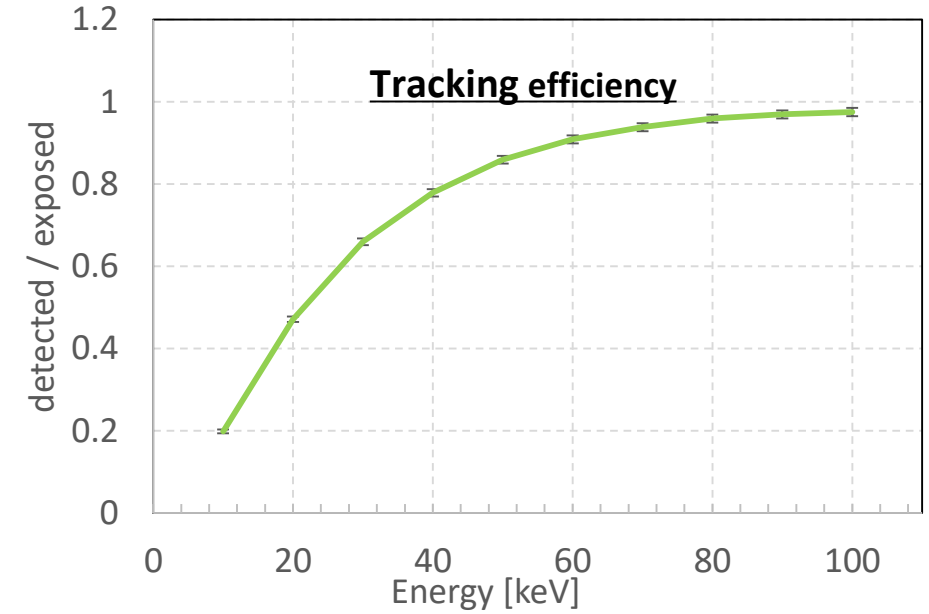
Electron microscope image

1 μm

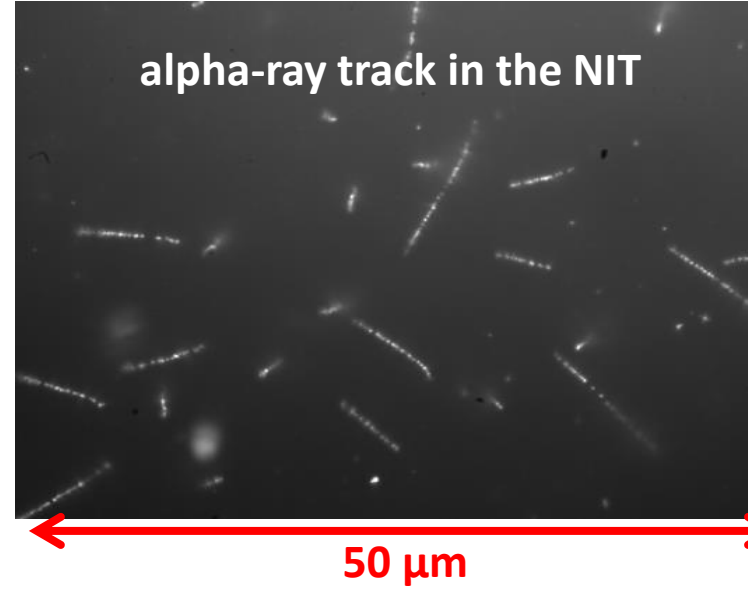


Sensitization : Halogen-Acceptor sensit.
Using Na_2SO_3
Development : Low-temp standard MAA

Intrinsic potential for NIT device

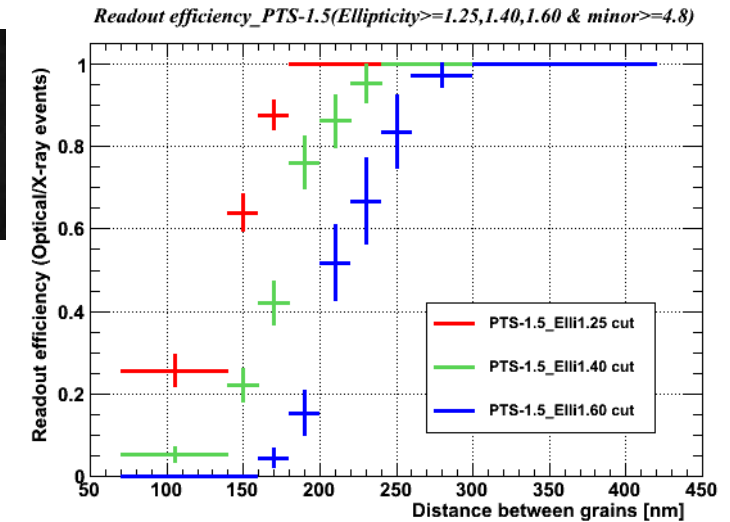
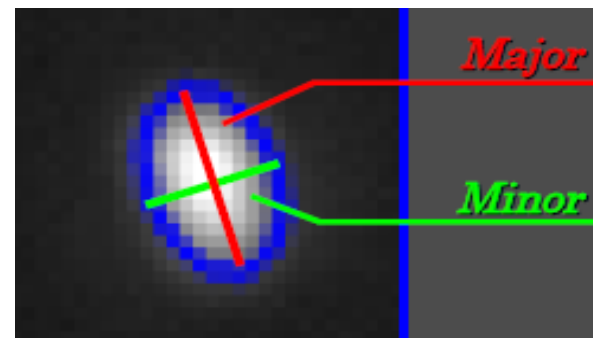
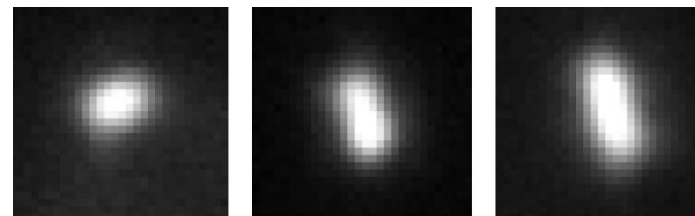
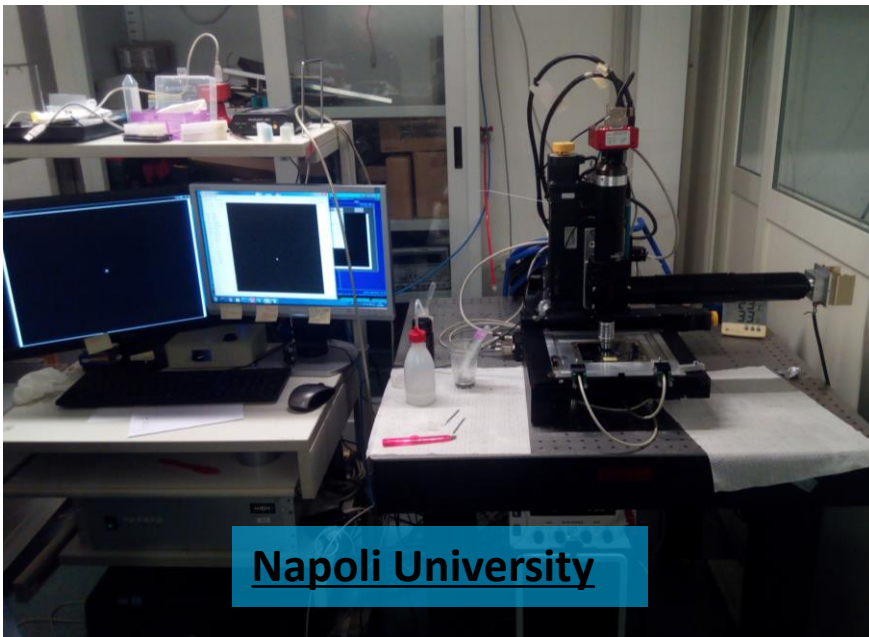


New scanning system for nano-imaging tracking



First system with epi-illuminate optics

- High contrast image to small Ag grain
- New optical information such as Plasmon resonance



Algorithm was proposed by M. Kimura and T. Naka, NIMA 680 (2012) 12

Analysis Flow

1st scanning

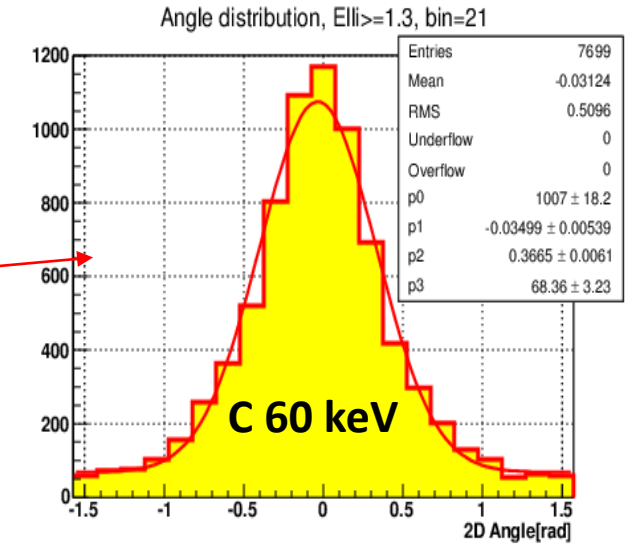
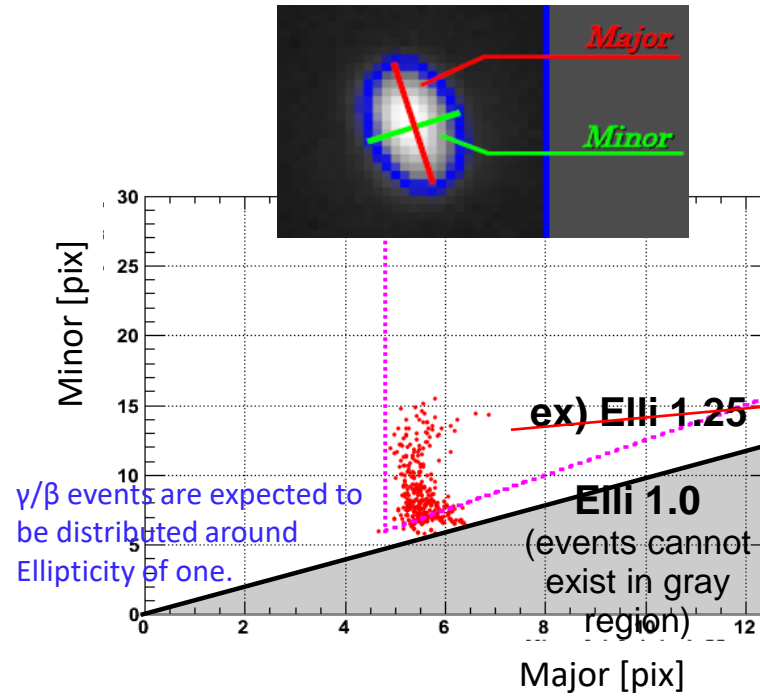
- High speed scanning
- Rough candidate events selection

2nd scanning

- Pinpoint scanning
- Rejection of accidental leakage
- Contaminated dust rejection using image processing

3rd or more scanning

- High level analysis using cutting-edge technologies
- Plasmon analysis



Direction sensitive efficiency :

\sim 20-30 % @ 60 keV

\Rightarrow further tuning is needed because it has dependence of chemical development and optical condition

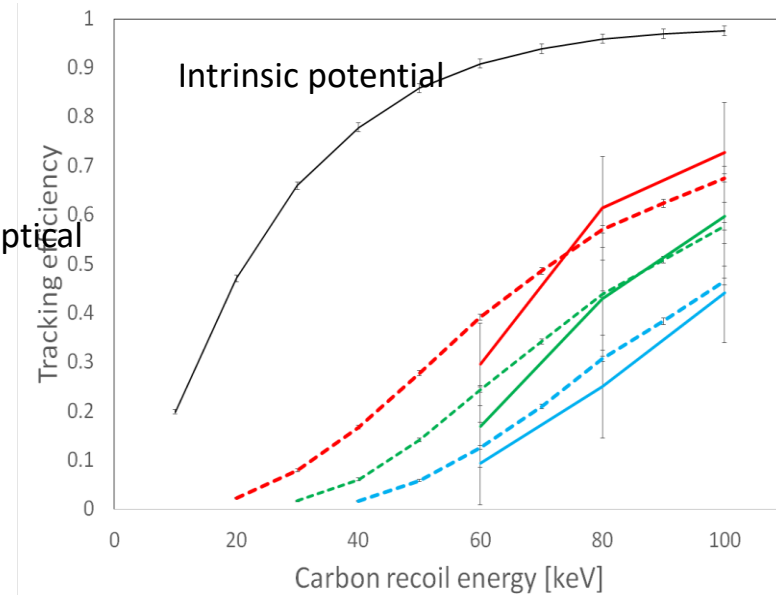
Angular resolution :

\sim 0.5 rad. @ 60 keV

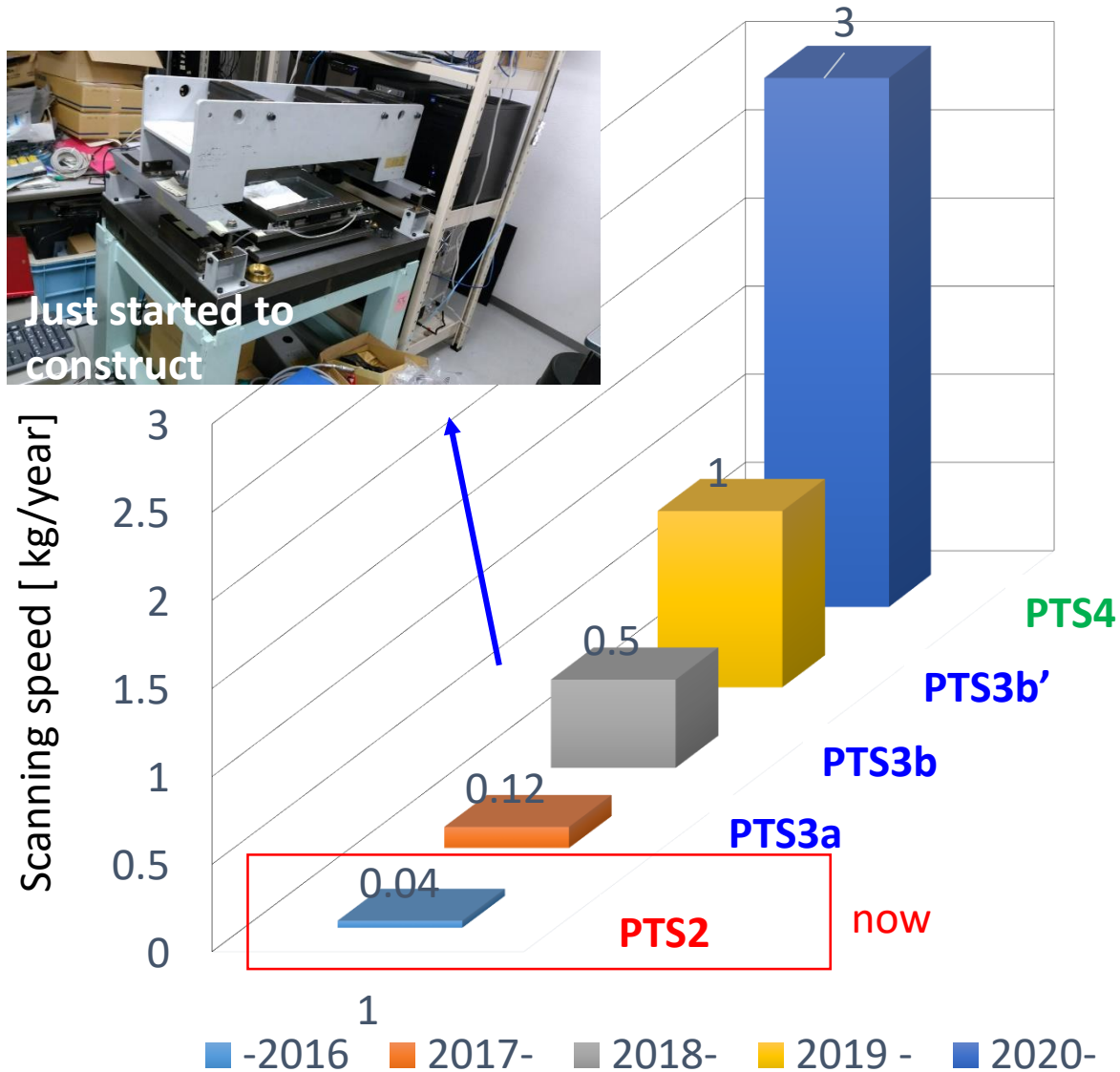
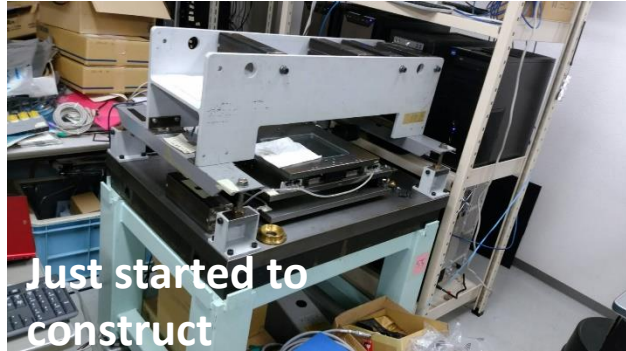
\Rightarrow no so large dependence for energy

Accidental leakage event :

\sim 1 % spherical noise \Rightarrow to be rejected in 2nd scanning



Roadmap of scanning system for nano-scale tracking



[PTS2] 40 g/y (current system)

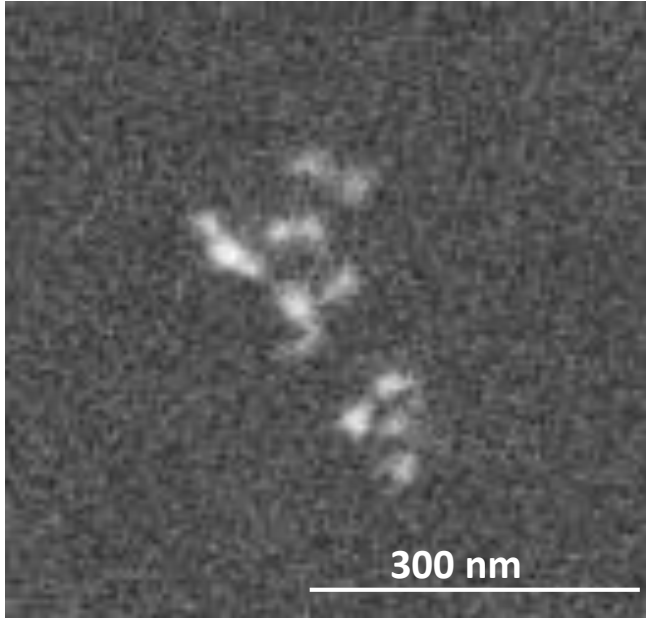
[PTS3a] 120 g/y expected (x 3 higher than PTS2)
 ⇒ Wider FOV due to higher vision camera

[PTS3b] 500 g/y expected
 ⇒ PTS3a + large DOF system

[PTS3b', PTS4] 1000 - 3000 g/y expected
 ⇒ PTS3b + custom special lens, high framerate

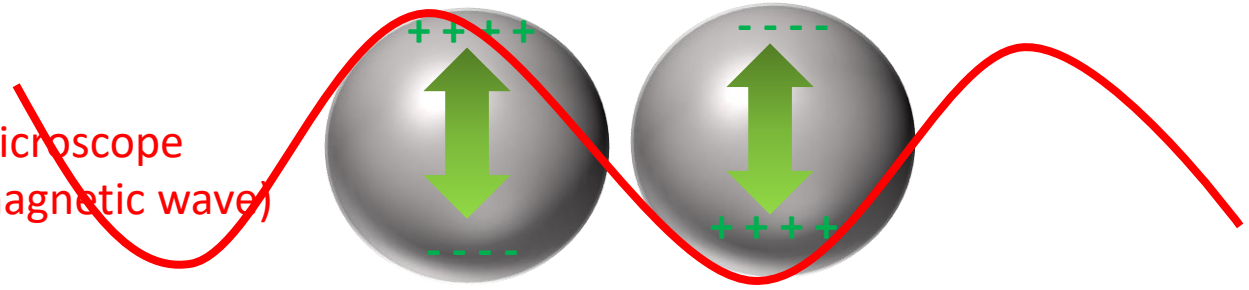
New Information for readout

⇒ Localized surface plasmon resonance



- ❑ Nuclear recoil tracks have very complicate structure with silver nano-particle
- ❑ This is very unique structure for that such as high dE/dx particles

Light of microscope
(electromagnetic wave)



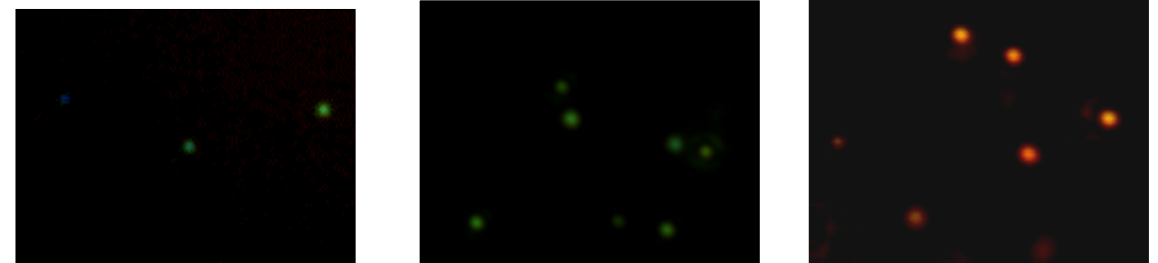
Dipole-moment of free electron in the nano metaric particle

$$p = 4\pi\epsilon_m a^3 \frac{\epsilon_1(\lambda) - \epsilon_m(\lambda)}{\epsilon_1(\lambda) + 2\epsilon_m(\lambda)} E_0$$

$$\epsilon_1(\lambda_l) + 2\epsilon_m(\lambda_l) \approx 0$$

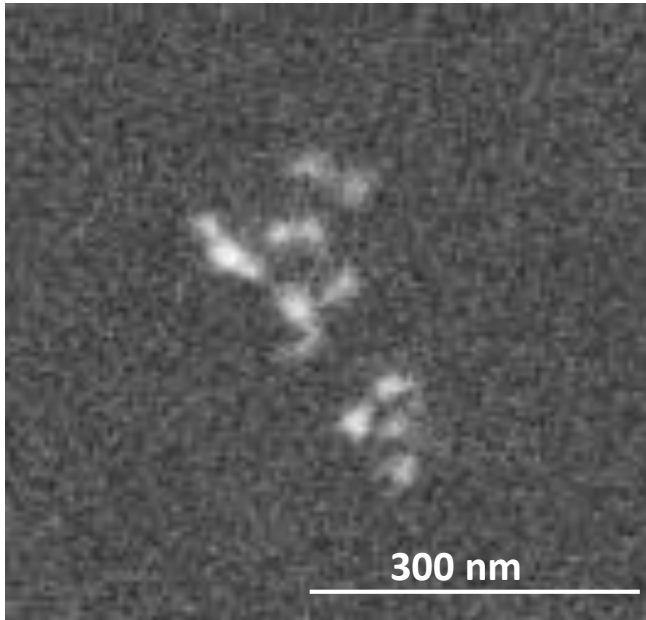
Information of nano-scale structure is extremely important for discrimination from various backgrounds

- ⇔ optical resolution : ~ 230 nm
- ⇔ electron microscope : not realistic for actual analysis by that strong limitation



- ✓ Resonance wavelength has visible region for several 10 nm silver ⇒ just good size for the tracks of NIT emulsion
- ✓ Dipole moment depends on shape of nano-particle and the size ⇒ strong dependence on resonance peak and polarization


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A photograph of a large, ornate stained glass window with multiple arched panes. The window is illuminated from within, showing vibrant colors. In the foreground, a small, dark, circular object is visible, which is identified as a dipole particle. To the right, a small, bright orange-red spot is identified as a 10 nm silver particle. The background is dark, making the window and the foreground objects stand out.

Dipole particle

10 nm silver

4. nm

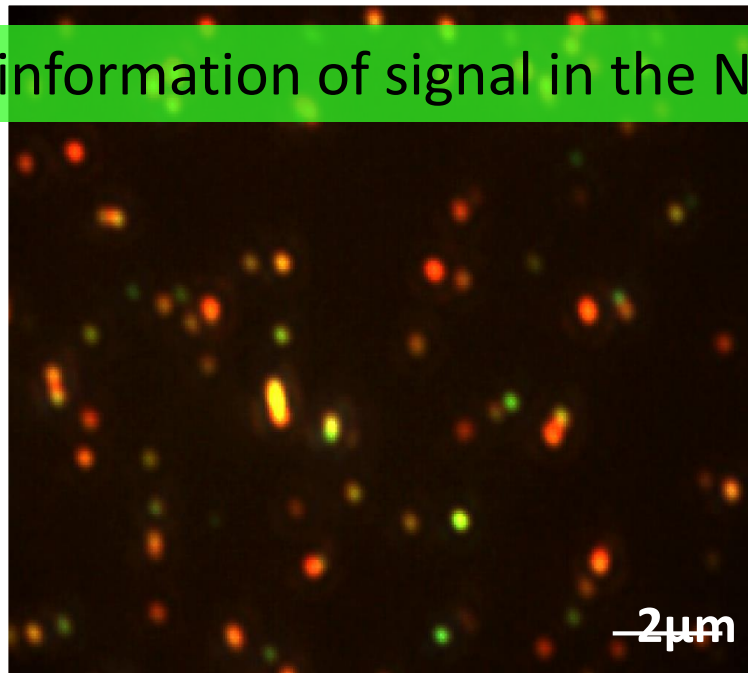
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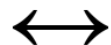
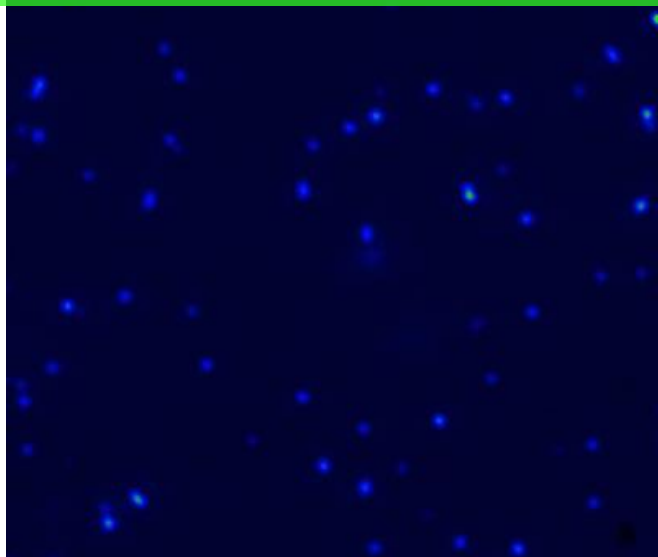
✓ Resonance v
⇒ just good size
✓ Dipole mom
⇒ strong dependence on resonance peak and polarization

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Color information of signal in the NIT emulsion



Polarization light dependence

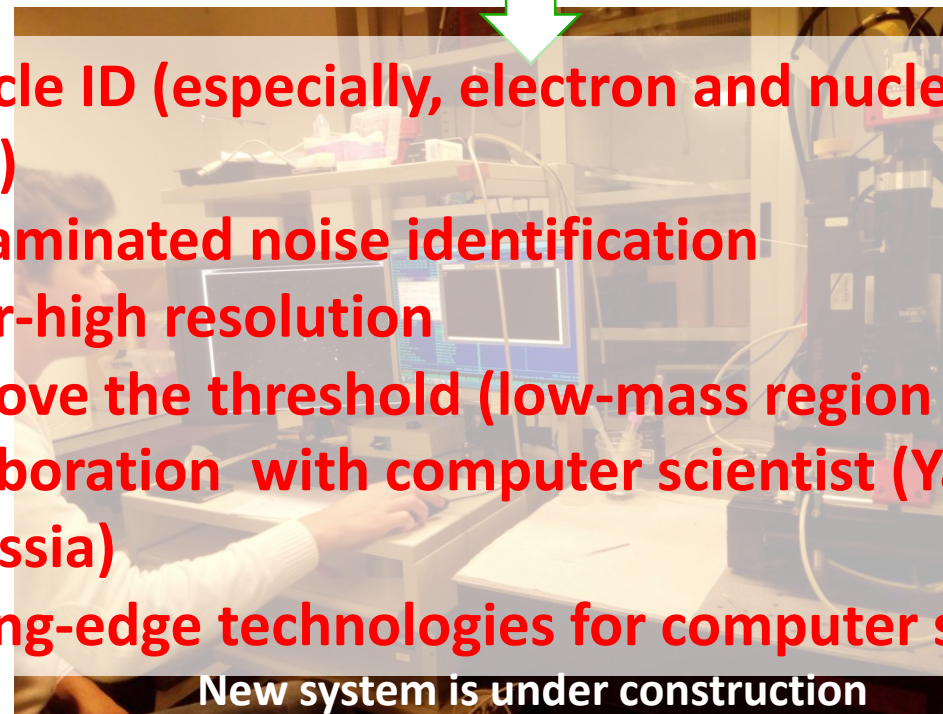


Polarizer angle

Next new readout information to confirm the signal

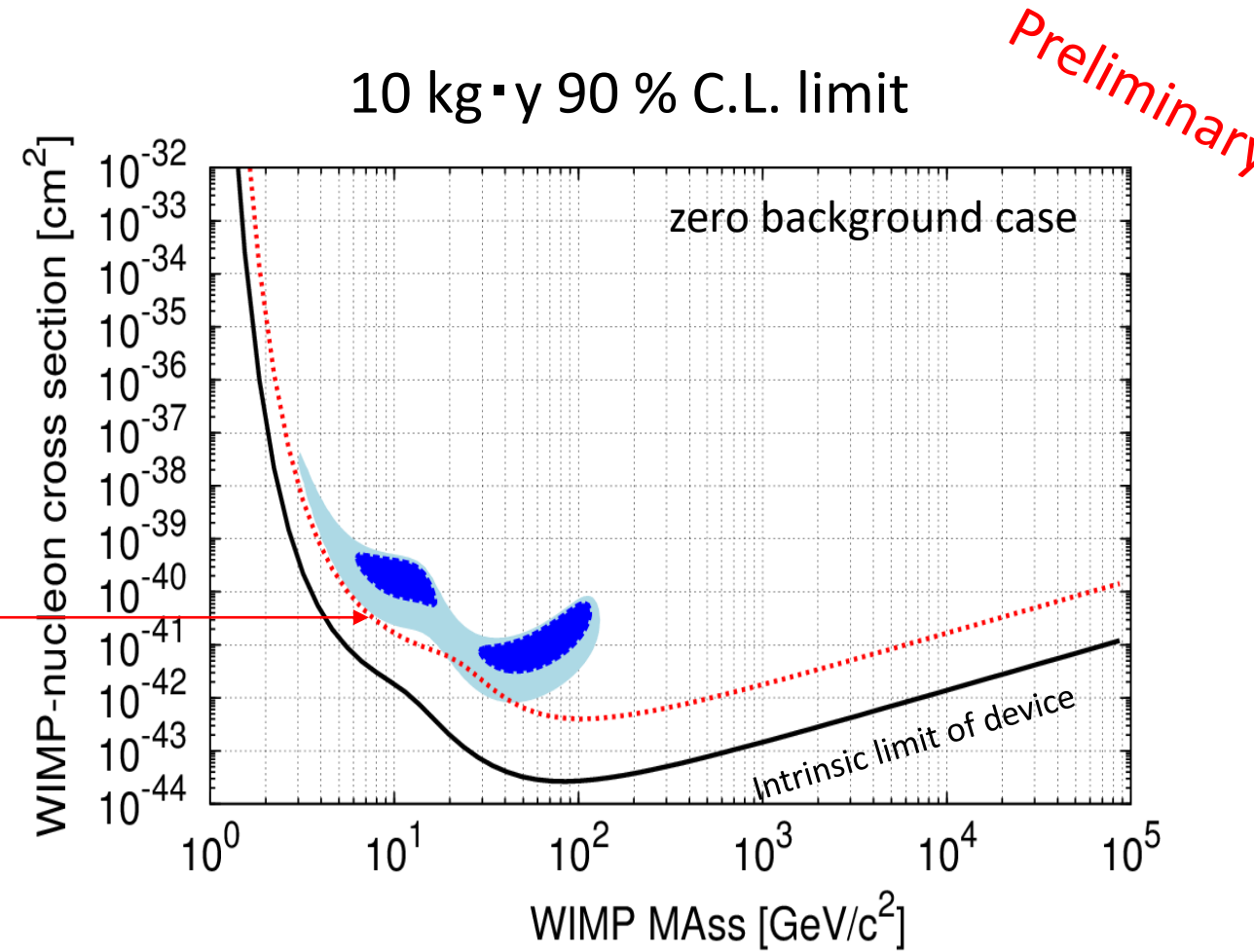
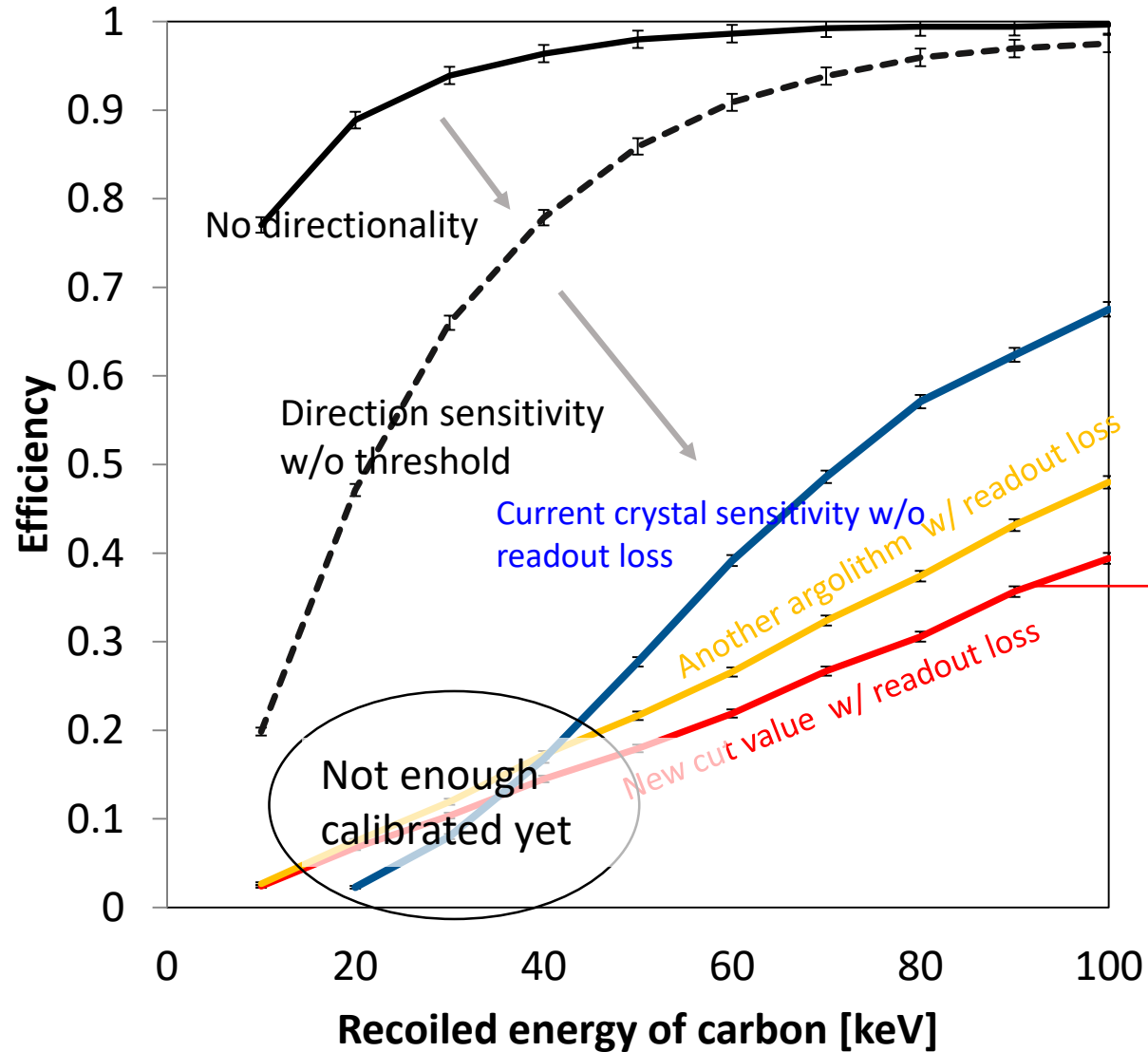
- Color information of recorded events
- polarization dependence information

- Particle ID (especially, electron and nuclear recoil)
- contaminated noise identification
- super-high resolution
- ⇒ improve the threshold (low-mass region search)
- Collaboration with computer scientist (Yandex in Russia)
- ⇒ cutting-edge technologies for computer science



New system is under construction

Study for sensitivity with our detector



Preliminary

- Sensitivity will be improved with direction information
- Readout loss will be improved by upgrade of optics

Intrinsic Backgrounds

1. Intrinsic radioactivity

⇒ mostly understand using mass-spectrometry and Ge detector

2. Intrinsic Neutron emission

⇒ Simulation using measured data of radioactivity in the current device

3. Dust contamination

⇒ need to understand the source, purification and discrimination by analysis

	U-238	Th-232	K-40	Ag-110m	C-14
1 st prototype device	27	6	69020	(~400)	24000
Current device	~27	~6	35	(~400)	24000
Ultra-low BG device	1-10	~ 1	< 35	(~400)	< 100

[mBq/kg]

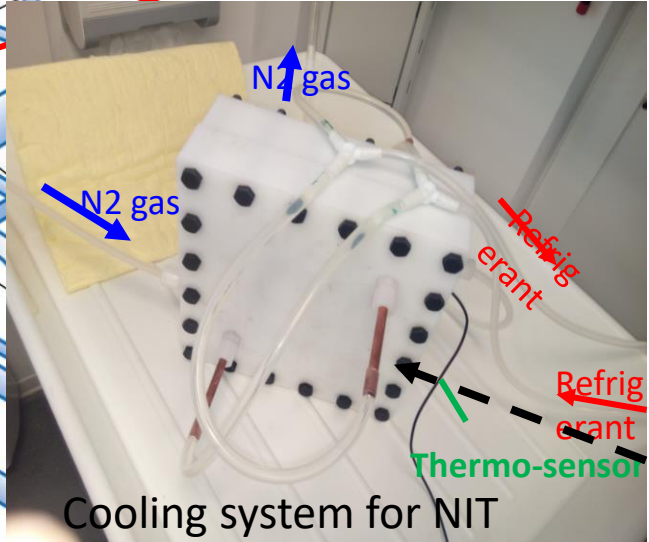
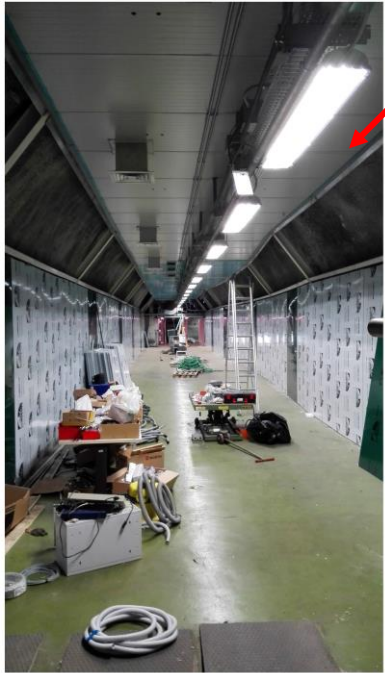
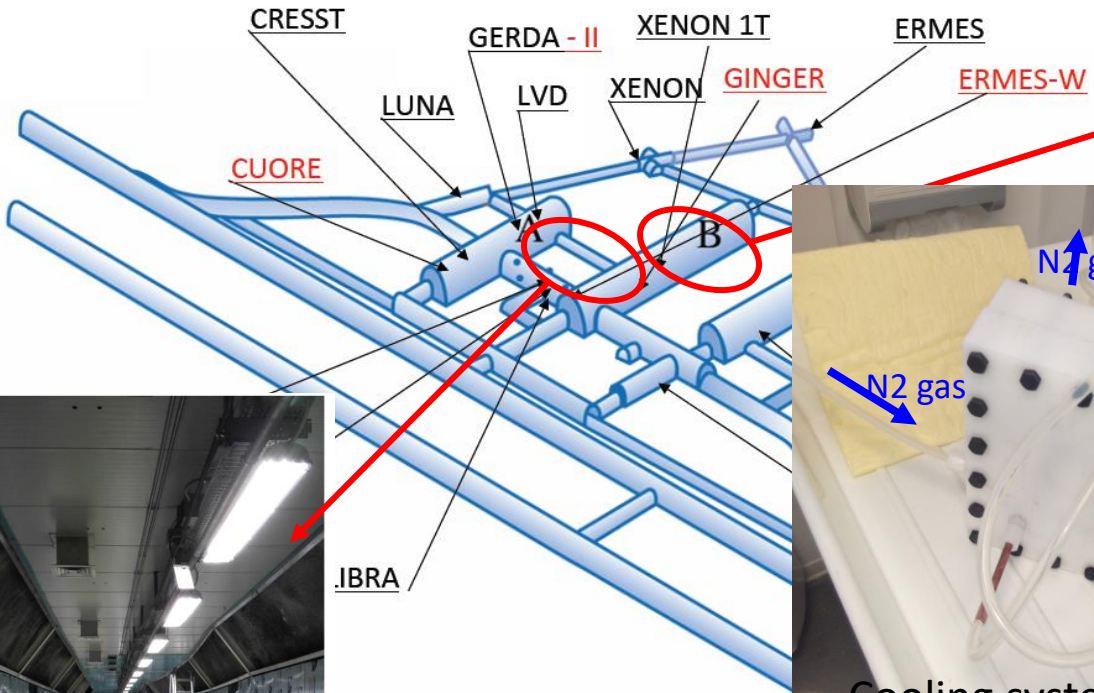
Process	SOURCE simulation [/kg/y]
(α , n) from ^{232}Th chain	0.12 +- 0.04
(α , n) from ^{238}U chain	0.27 +- 0.09
Spontaneous fission	0.8 +- 0.3
Total flux	1.2 +- 0.4

Expected nuclear recoil tracks of > 100 nm + directionality

0.03- 0.05 /kg/y

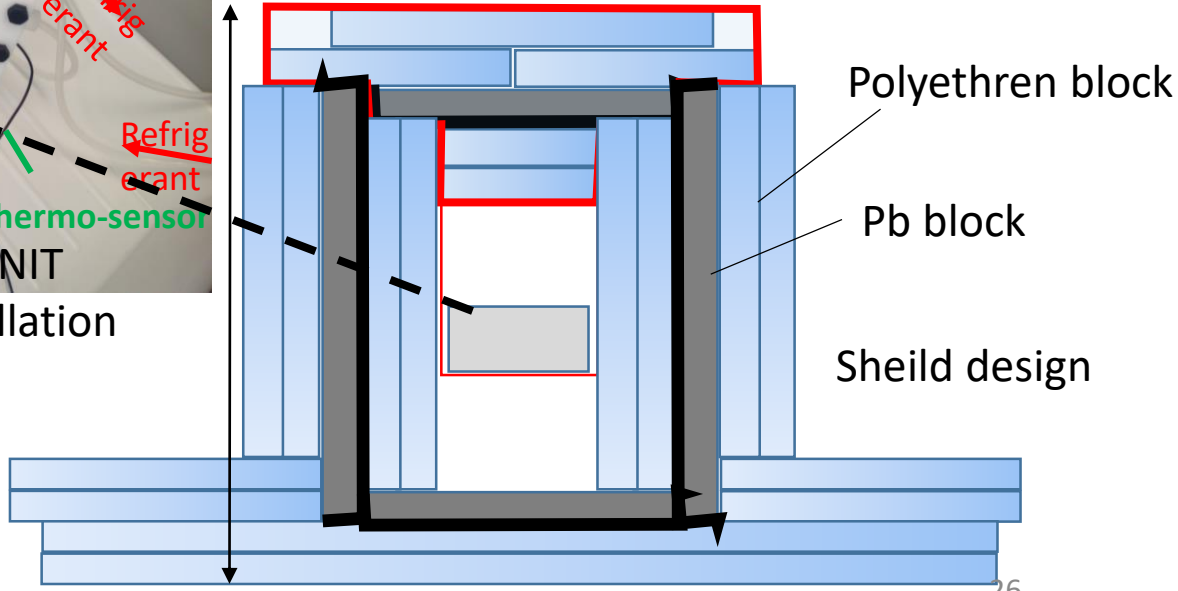
Pilot-run environment and shield

Gran Sasso underground laboratory, Italy



Cooling system for NIT emulsion film installation

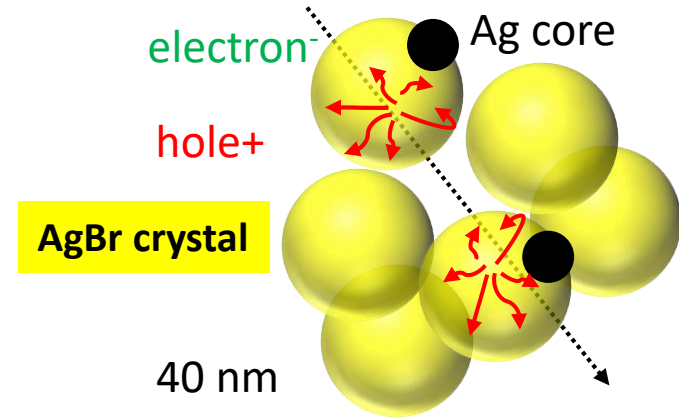
- New site :**
- Detector making
 - Chemical treatment
 - Clean room
- Now on construction



New potential of NIT detector toward large scale experiment [cryogenic NIT emulsion device]

**New phenomena in cryogenic condition
(around liquid N₂ temperature)**

Ionization



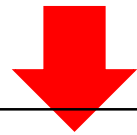
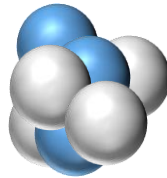
Usual detection mechanism is ionization

Luminescence due to radiation

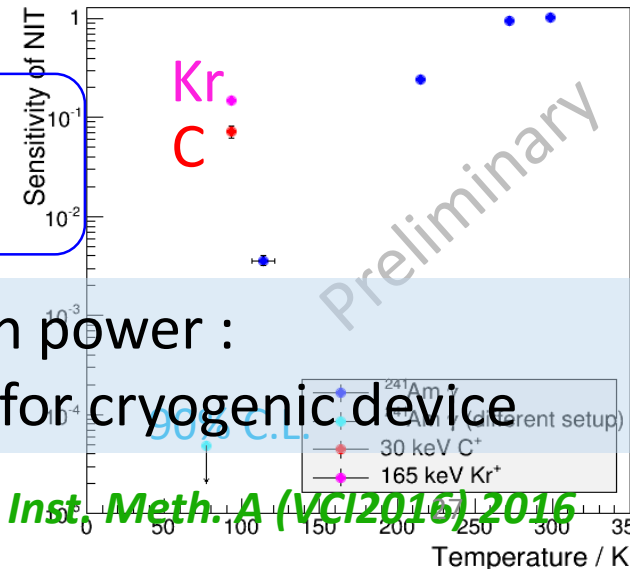


Photoluminescence

Light



Phonon



electron rejection power :
better than 10⁻⁹ for cryogenic device

Time resolution and position self-trigger

Poster presentation at KMI2017 (no. 28) by Hiromasa Ichiki +

M. Kimura et al., Nucl. Inst. Meth. A (VCI2016) 2016

Summary and schedule

- ❑ We need new method, technologies and information to break through current dark matter search situation.
- ❑ Directional dark matter search is one of the promising method for that
- ❑ NEWSdm collaboration propose the experiment using super-high resolution nuclear emulsion (Nano Imaging Tracker: NIT) , and study toward large scale directional search.
- ❑ First demonstration about the capability of detecting the nuclear recoil as track by solid detector
- ❑ Now, we are studying to understand the background and that rejection

Main study

