



GERDA

The Ge Detector Array for the Search of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in Ge-76
- Status Report -

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~ 70 physicists
 12 institutions
 5 countries

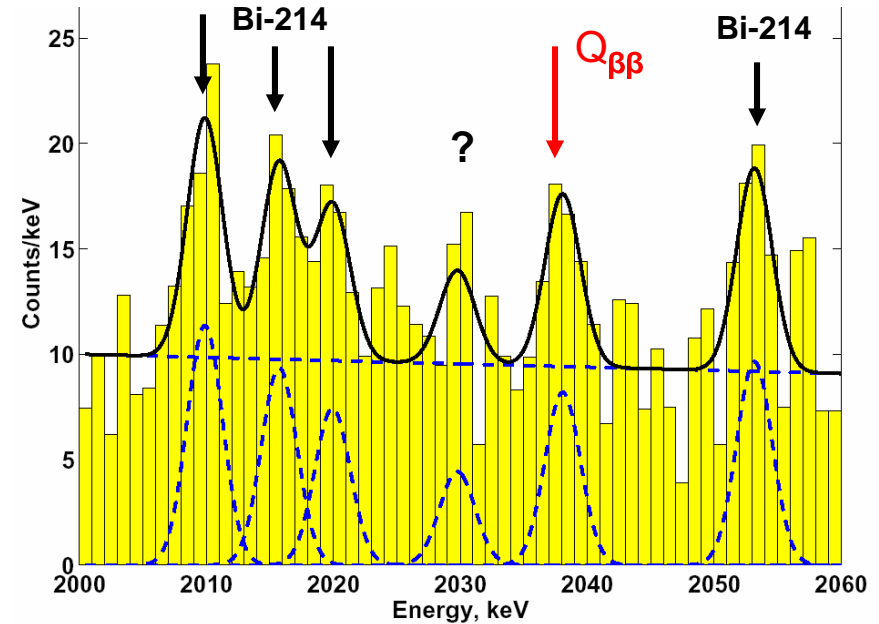
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$\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ best limits / value



Heidelberg-Moscow

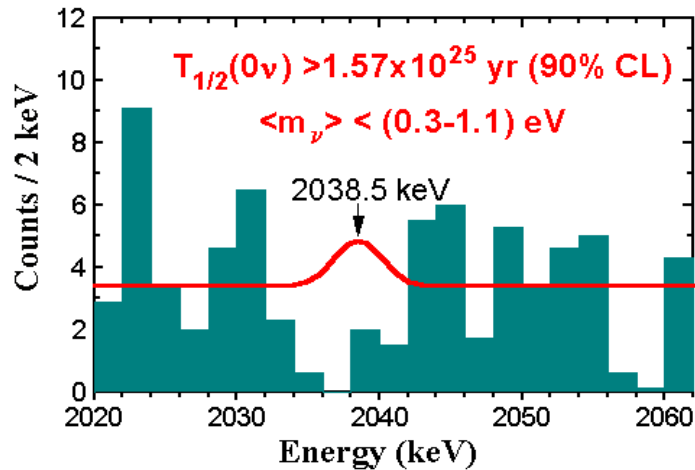
KKDC: H.V.Klapdor-Kleingrothaus, I.V.Krivoshina, A.Dietz, O.Chkvorets, Phys.Lett. B586 (2004) 198



5 enriched Ge-76 diodes (10.9 kg / 71.7 kg·y)
 $B \sim 0.1$ cts / (keV·kg·y)

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = (0.69 - 4.18) \cdot 10^{25} \text{ y (3}\sigma \text{ range)}$$

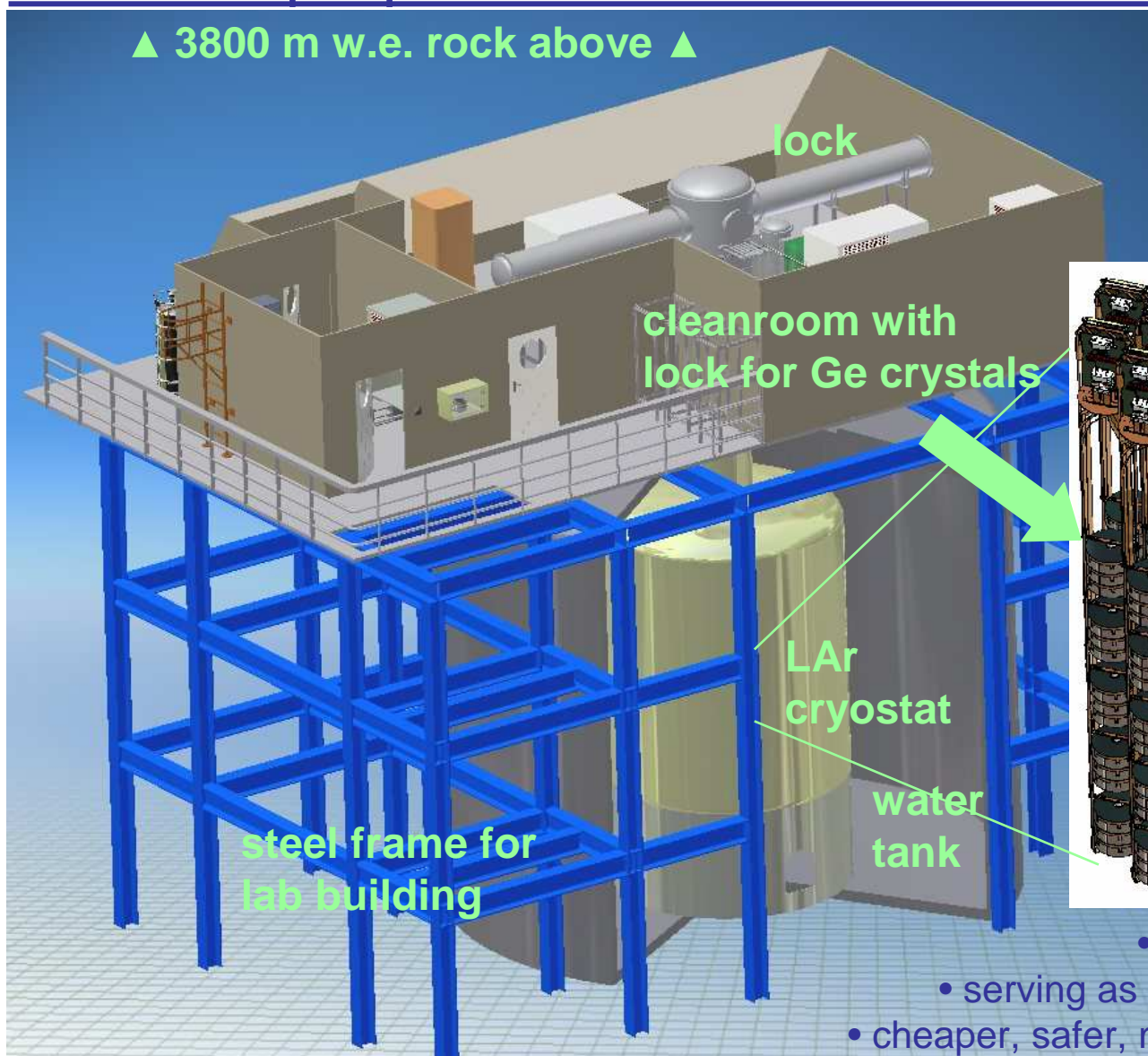
IGEX : Gonzales et al., NP B87(2000)278



► confirmation needed with same & different isotopes
 key: reduce background by $O(100)$ for better sensitivity

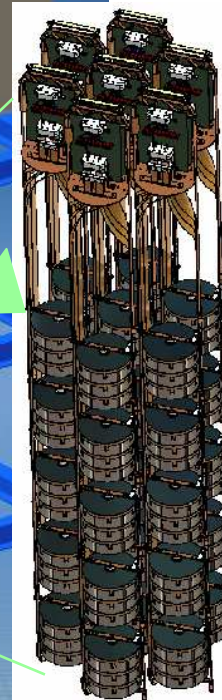
proposed GERDA installation in LNGS Hall A

▲ 3800 m w.e. rock above ▲



designed for external γ, n, μ background < 0.001 cnts / (keV · kg · y)

Ø 10 m water vessel
Ø 4.2 m LAr cryostat
internal Cu liner
70 m³ of LAr
650 m³ of water



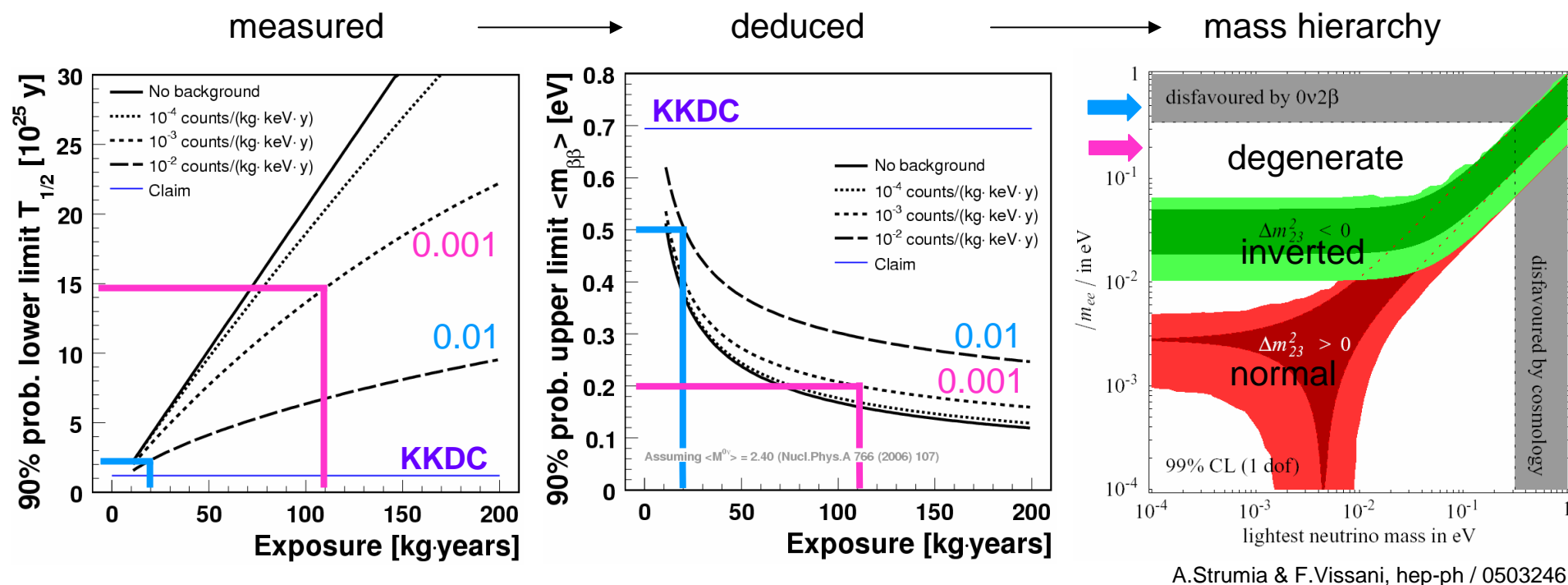
up to five Ge diodes arranged in strings, total of 16 strings

water:

- acting as neutron moderator
- serving as Čerenkov medium for μ veto
- cheaper, safer, more effective than LN2 (LAr)

GERDA goals & sensitivity

GERDA's goal : reach background index at $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2039$ keV of **0.01 / 0.001 cts / (keV · kg · y)**



A.Strumia & F.Vissani, hep-ph / 0503246

- phase I : use existing Ge-76 diodes of Heidelberg-Moscow experiment & IGEX (~15 kg)
~ 0.01 cts / (keV · kg · y) intrinsic background expected
- phase II : add new enriched Ge-76 detectors, ~20 kg , (37.5 kg enriched Ge-76 bought)
~ 0.001 cts / (keV · kg · y) background expected ▶ 3 y · 35 kg
- phase III: depending on results worldwide collaboration for real big experiment
close contacts & MoU with MAJORANA collaboration established

GERDA Task Groups

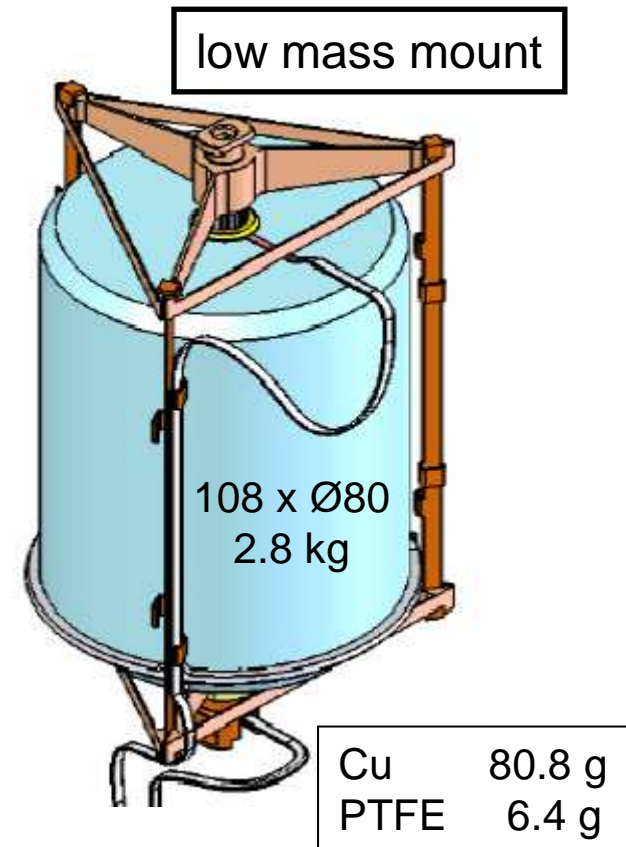
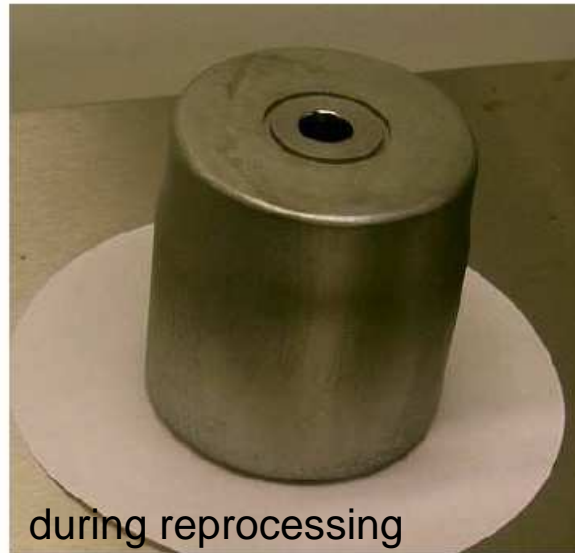
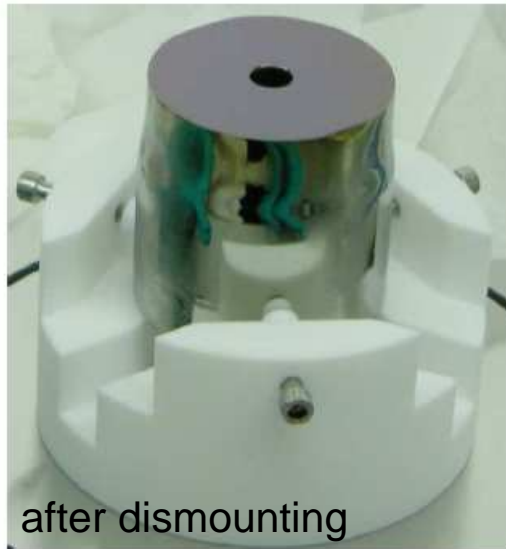
- **TG01** **Modification & test of existing Ge diodes**
- **TG02** **Design & production of new Ge diodes**
- **TG03** **Diode readout and signal processing**
- **TG04** **Cryogenic vessel**
- **TG05** **Infrastructure on top of vessel**
- **TG06** **Water vessel**
- **TG07** **Muon veto**
- **TG08** **Infrastructure & logistics for GERDA**
- **TG09** **DAQ electronics & software**
- **TG10** **Simulation & background studies**
- **TG11** **Material screening**
- **Safety**
- **Schedule**

to be discussed: recent progress of TGs

not discussed : LArGe R&D

- enriched 5 HdM, 3 IGEX : total of 17.9 kg
- non-enriched 6 Genius-TF : total of 15 kg
- ▶ all being refurbished by Canberra, Olen, stored underground at HADES

RG3 (from IGEX)



- ▶ refurbishment almost done – still lacking:
implantation & passivation

from Abstract*:

“.... After operation of GENIUS-TF over three years with finally six naked Ge detectors ... in liquid nitrogen ... we realize

- (1) Background from Rn-222 diffusing into the setup on a level far beyond the expectation.
- (2) Limited long-term stability of naked detectors in liquid nitrogen as result of increasing leakage current.”

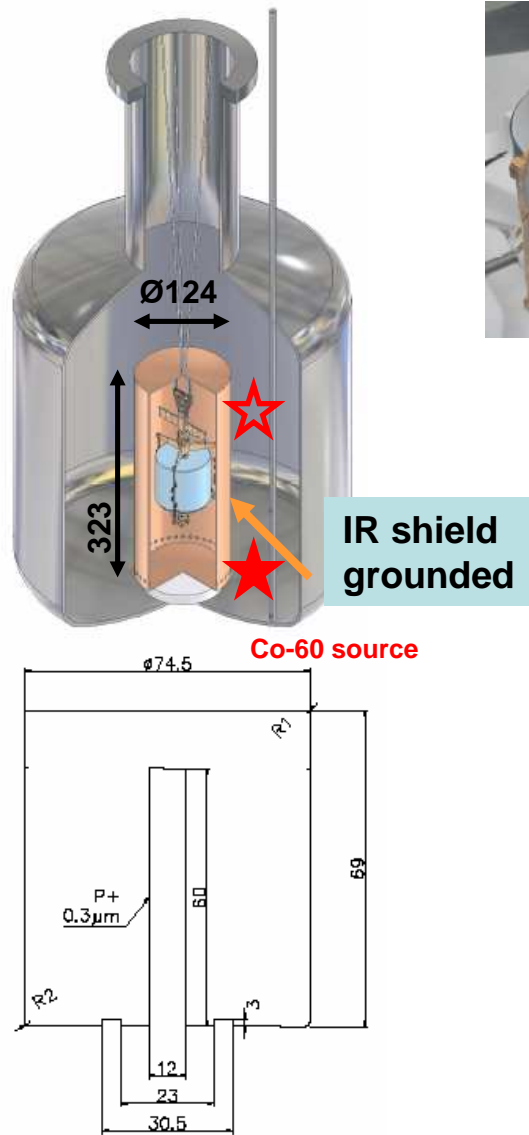
* “.... - The long-term stability of naked detectors in liquid nitrogen”
HV Klapdor-Kleingrothaus & IV Krivoshina
NIM A 566 (2006) 472-476

Comments:

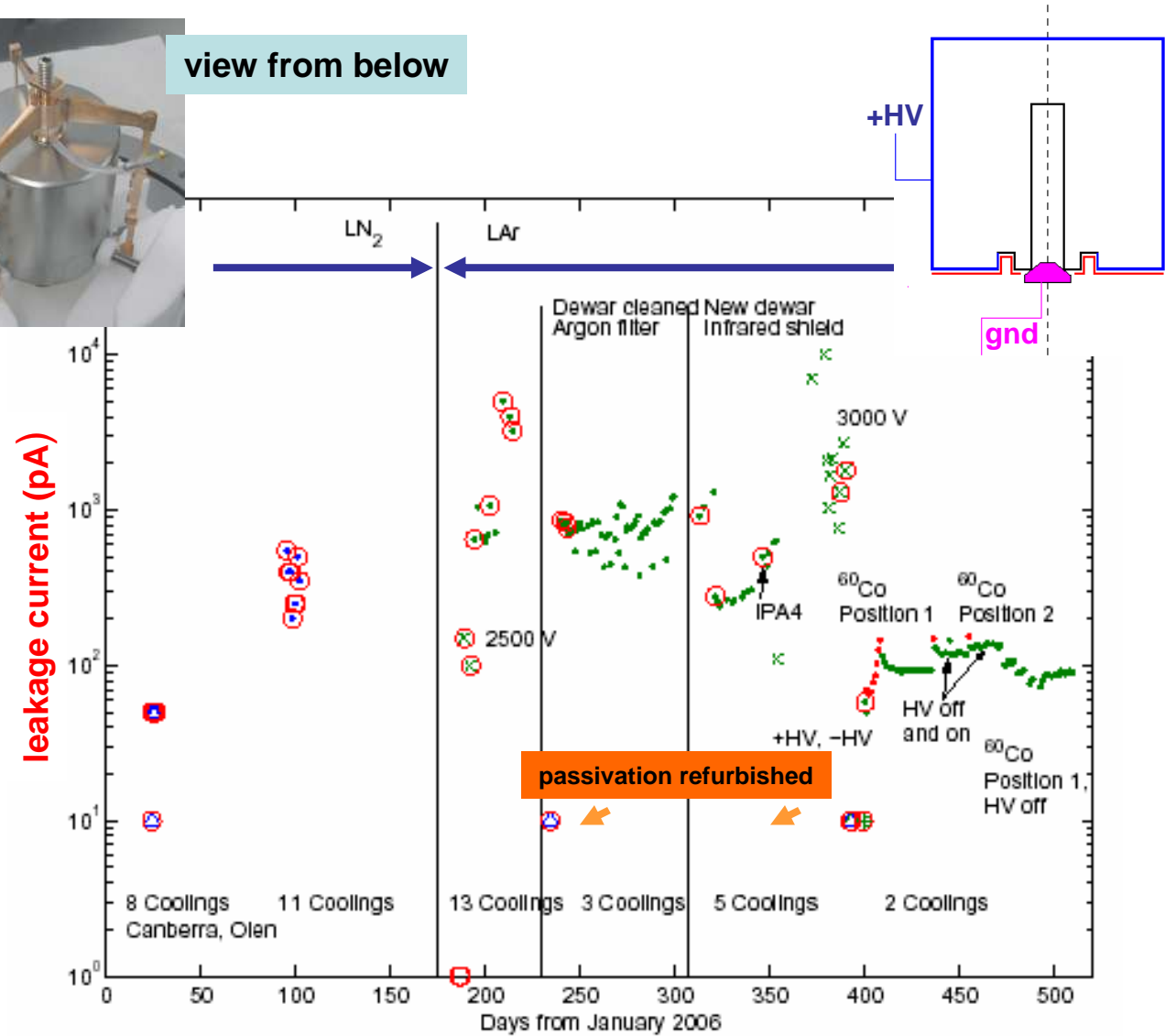
@ (1): Also true for state-of-the-art implementation (metal seals, He leak test) ?

@ (2): Problems occur after transfers of diodes from cold-to-warm-to-cold.

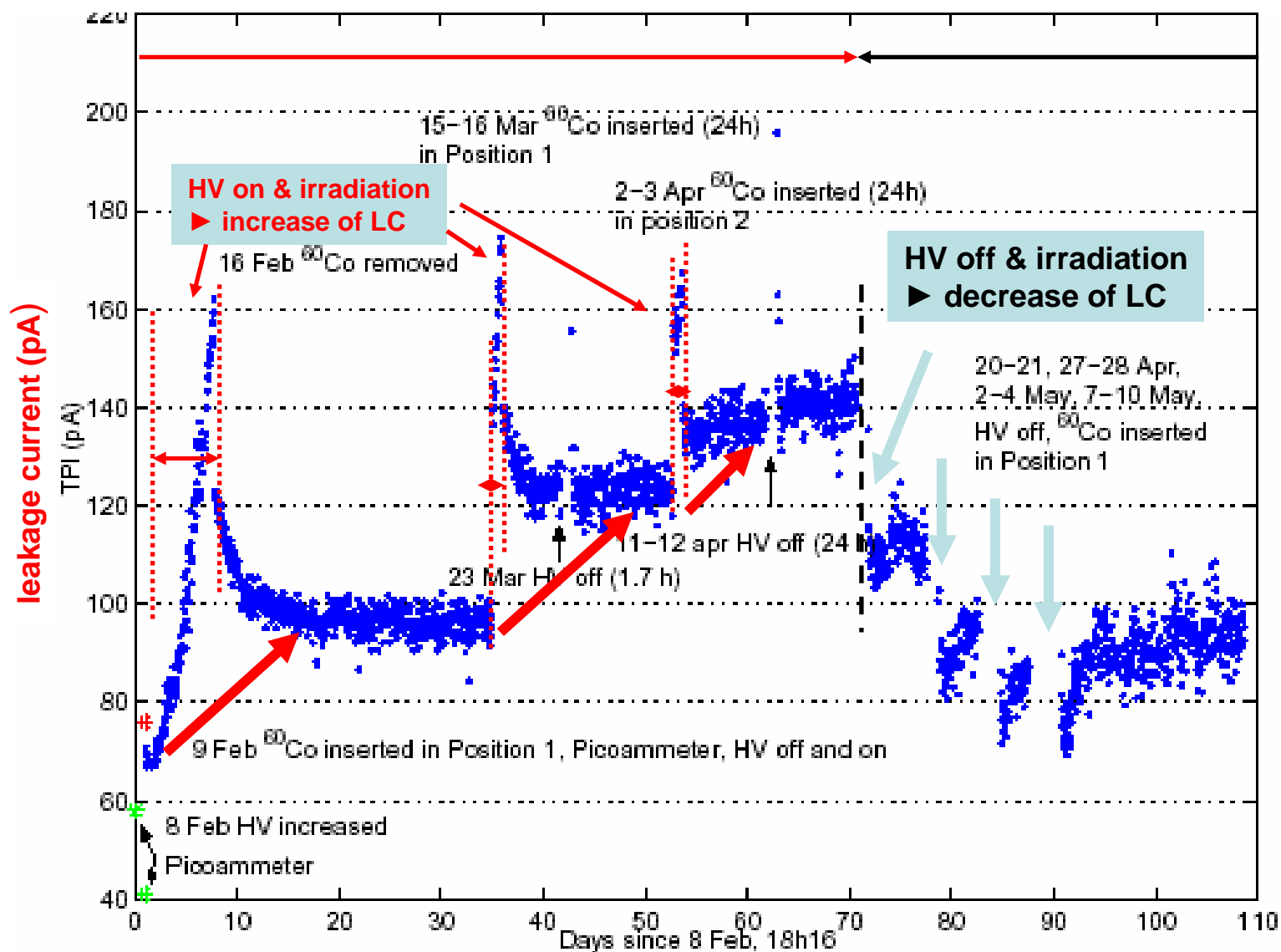
▶ However, better not to comment but to demonstrate better performance!



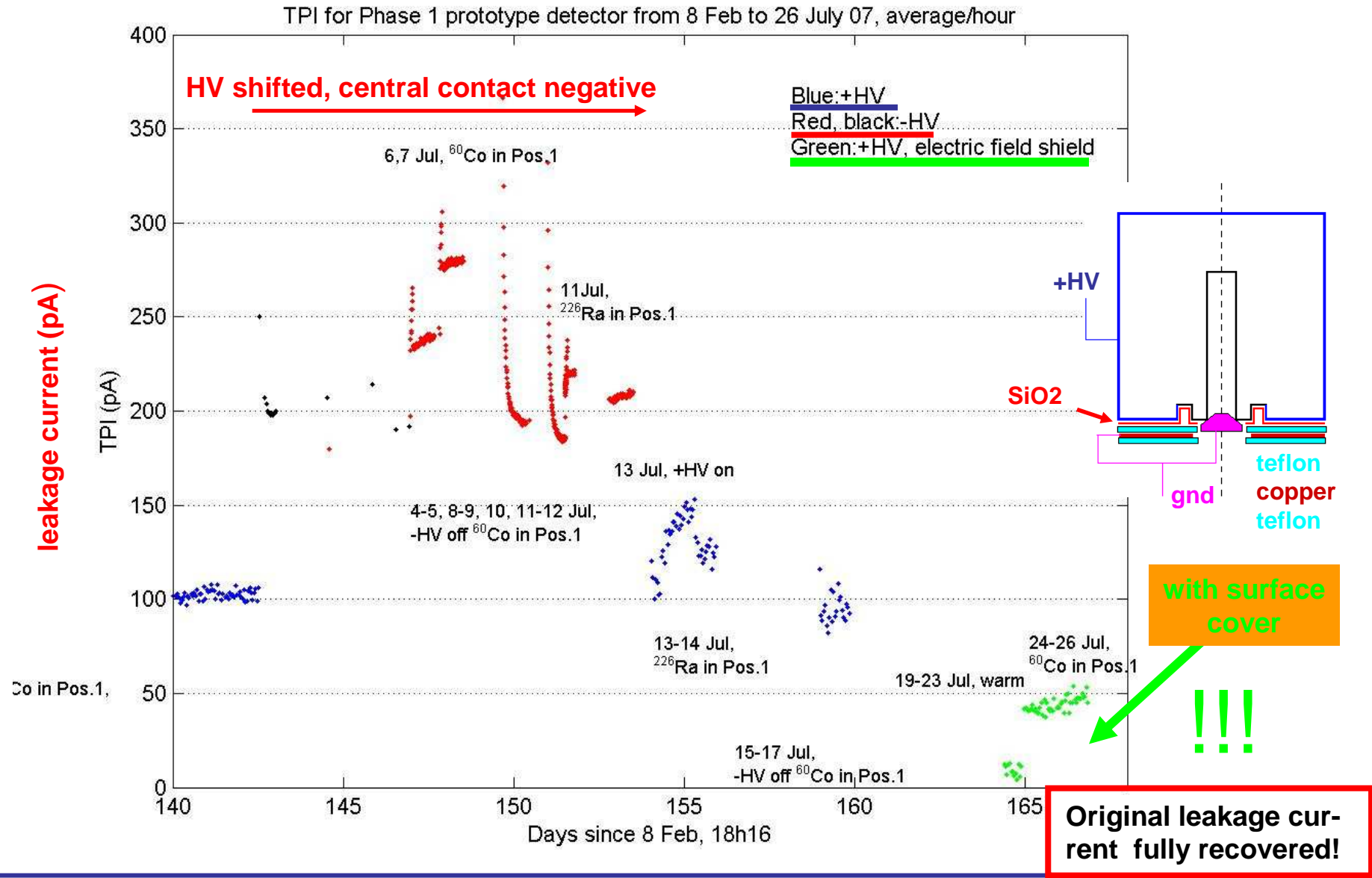
view from below



from Barnabe Heider et al., GSTR-07-005



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- 37.5 kg Ge enriched in Ge-76 to 88% procured
- shielded transport & stored underground
- optimization of purification in progress
- alternatives to commercial Xtal pulling studied



true-coaxial 3x6 segmented
n-type Ge diode

mounting
material
~30 g

studies of segmented detectors, pulse shapes,
background rejection strategies,... in progress

I. Abt *et al.* NIMA **577** (2007) 574
 I. Abt *et al.* arXiv:0704.3016 (accepted by EPJC)
 I. Abt *et al.* arxiv:nucl-ex/0701005 (sub. to NIMA)
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TG03

diode readout & signal processing

phase I : few channels only
discrete approach ok

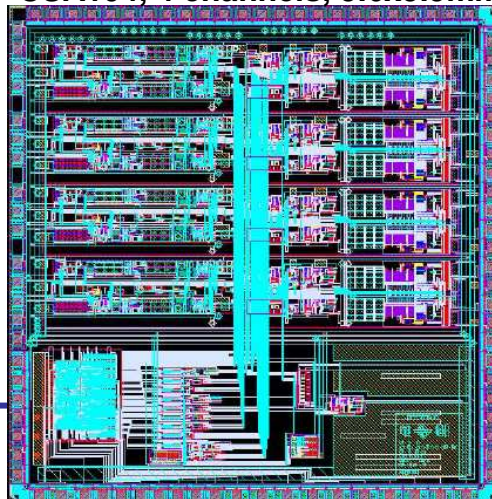
- ▶ cold FET, warm preamp
BF862 + AGATA hybrid
- ▶ cold JFET preamp ←
- ▶ cold FET, cold preamp hybrid
SK152 + AMPTEK 250

all options: very good test results

phase II : many segments / channels
integrated preamp
working at 77K

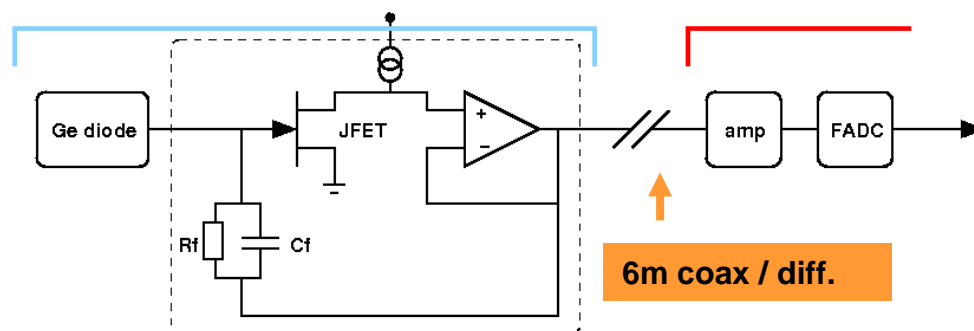
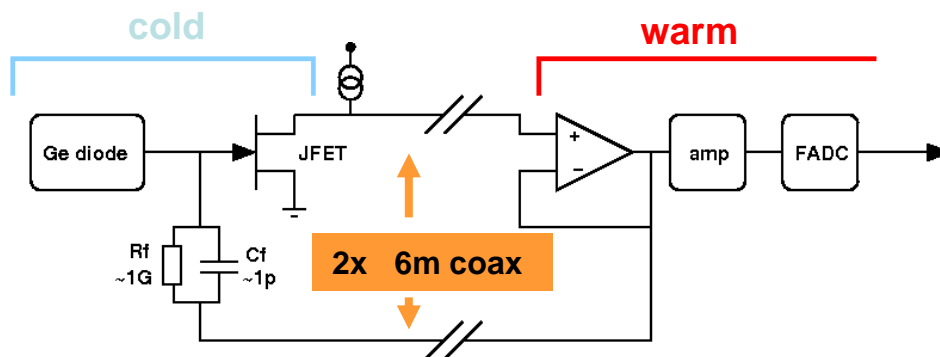
- ▶ ASIC
designs/samples by Milano and HD
excellent (M) / fair (HD) test results

CSA104, 4 channels, 5.6x5.5mm² floor plan



Reference channel #1
Input channel #1
Reference channel #2
Input channel #2
Reference channel #3
Input channel #3
Reference channel #4
Input channel #4

I ² C
Bias Gen



typ.specs:	
ENC	150 e
r.t.	20 ns
gain	150 mV/MeV
d.r.	2000
output	diff (100Ω), [coax]

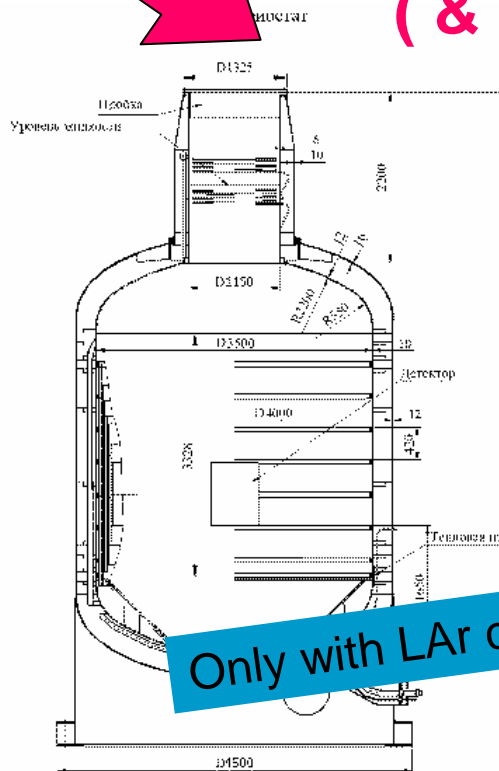
in progress:
test of complete
readout chain

baseline design: **copper cryostat** for LN2 / LAr with superinsulation and 3rd wall requested by LNGS



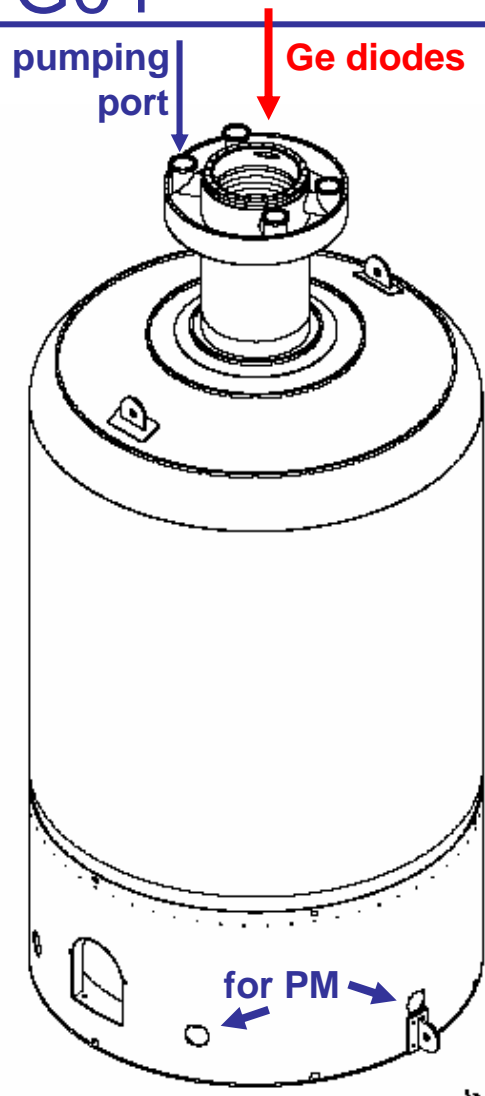
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**cost !
(& safety concerns)**

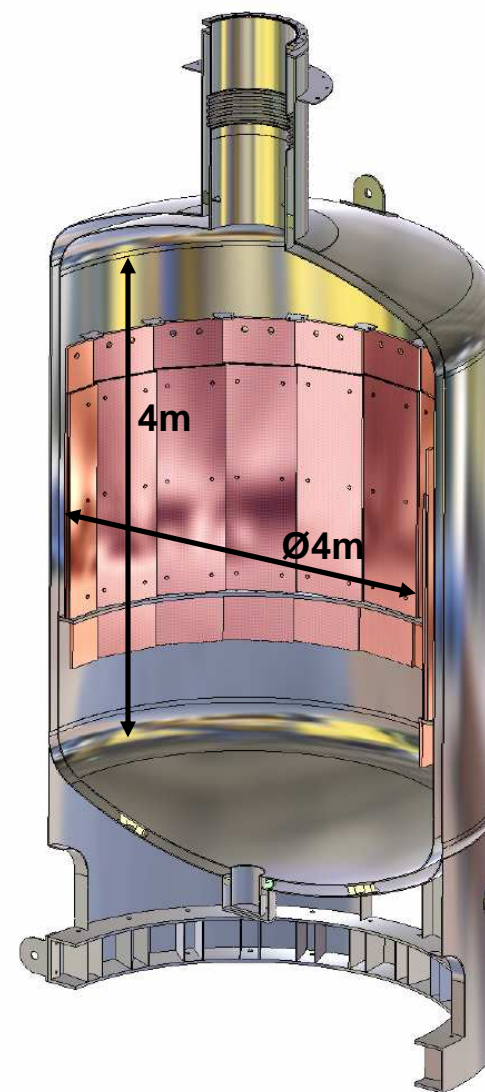


backup design:
stainless steel cryostat with superinsulation & internal Pb/Cu shield – no 3rd wall !

Only with LAr cost effective



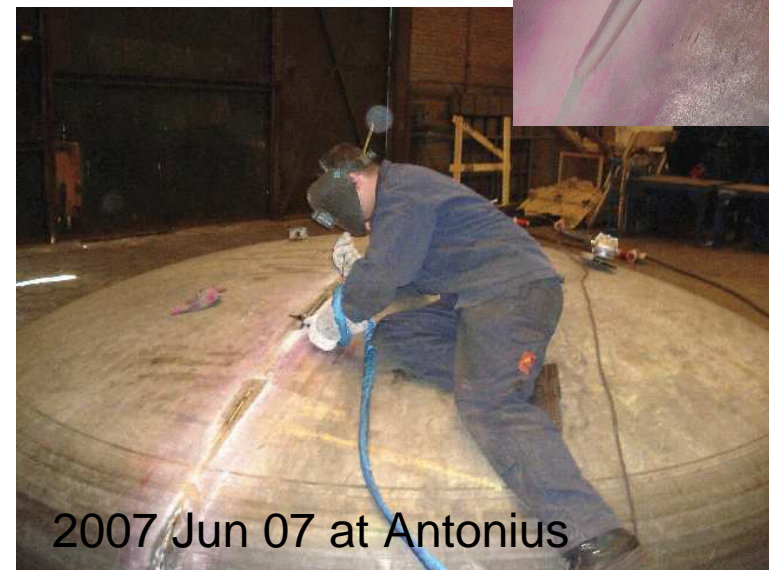
overall height	8.9 m
inner vessel height	4.0 m
inner diameter	4.0 m
volume	70 m ³
op. weight	175 tons
all. o_pressure	-1/1.5 bar
op. o_pressure	0.2 bar
superinsulated	
material	1.4571
constr. code	AD2000 97/23/EG
e.quake tolerance	0.7g
no penetrations except neck	



OFRP Cu shield 16 tons
thickness 3 or 6 cm

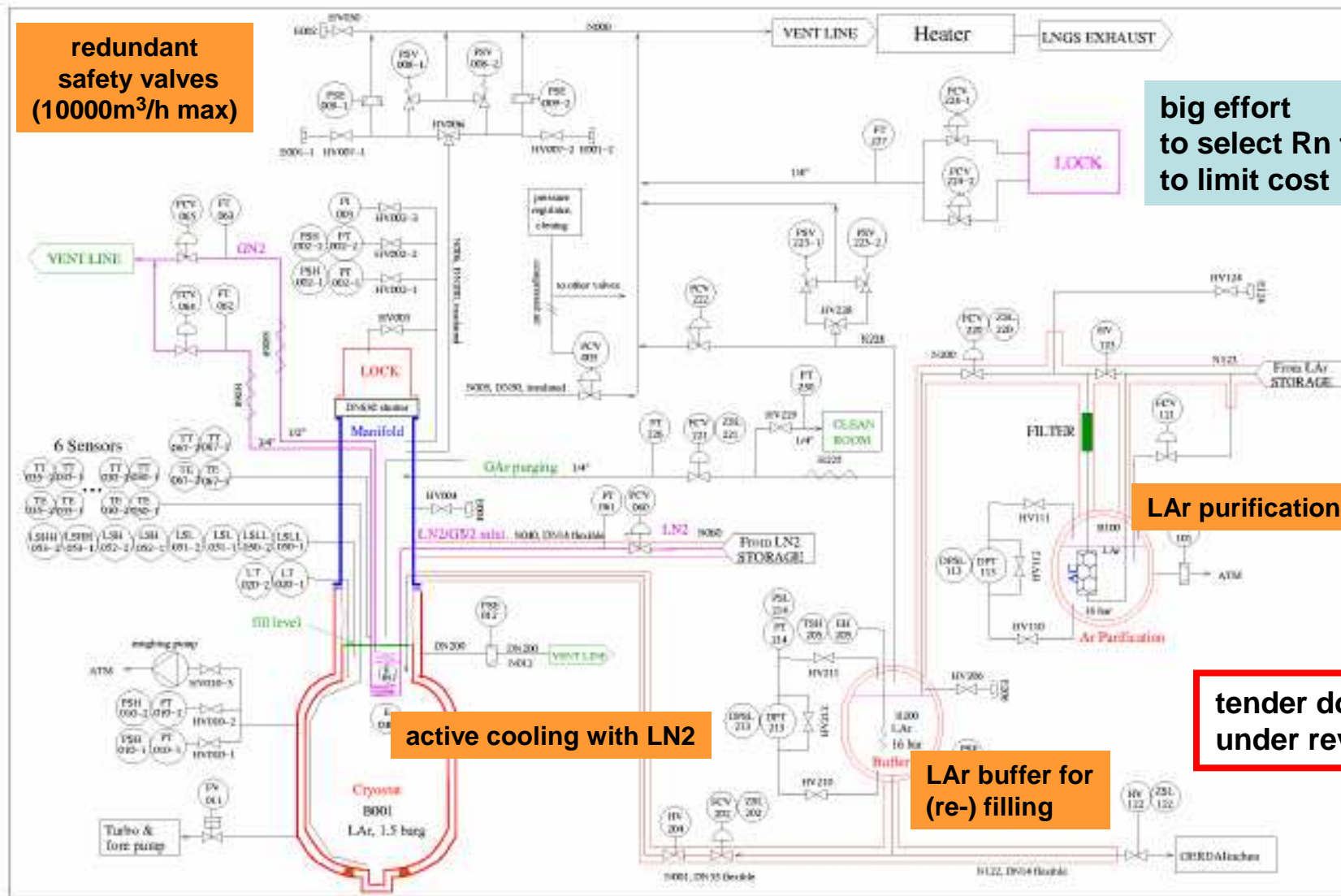


2007 Mar 29 at SIMIC



2007 Jun 07 at Antonius

- Dec 06 cryostat ordered at SIMIC
- Mar 07 3 of 4 vesselheads delivered (delayed)
- Jun 07 4th vesselhead repaired
- Jul 07 certification for automatic welding failed (notch impact <30J at 77K)
- Jan 08 delivery ?



redundant safety valves (10000m³/h max)

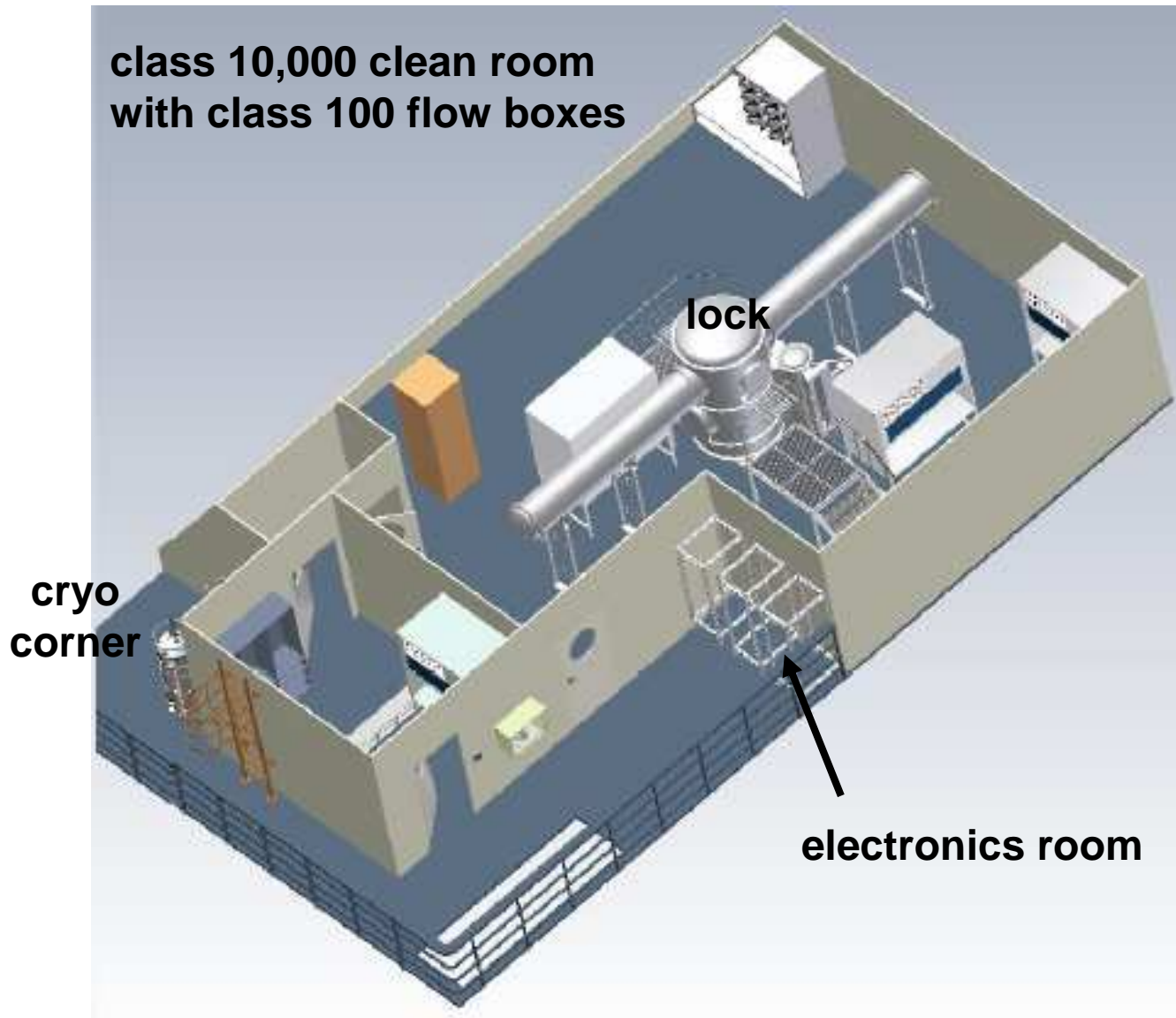
big effort to select Rn tight valves to limit cost

LAr purification

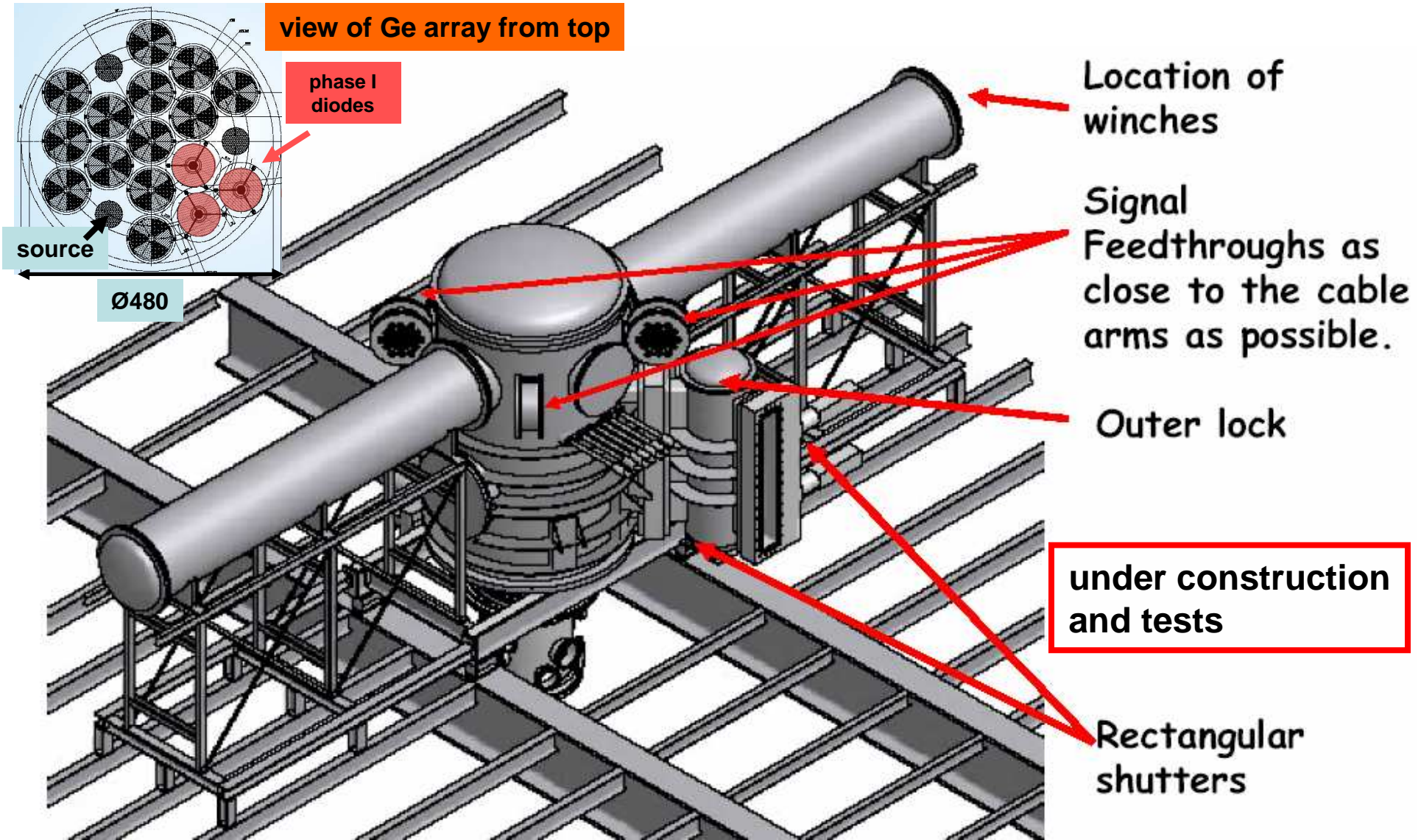
active cooling with LN2

LAr buffer for (re-) filling

tender document under review



tender document prepared



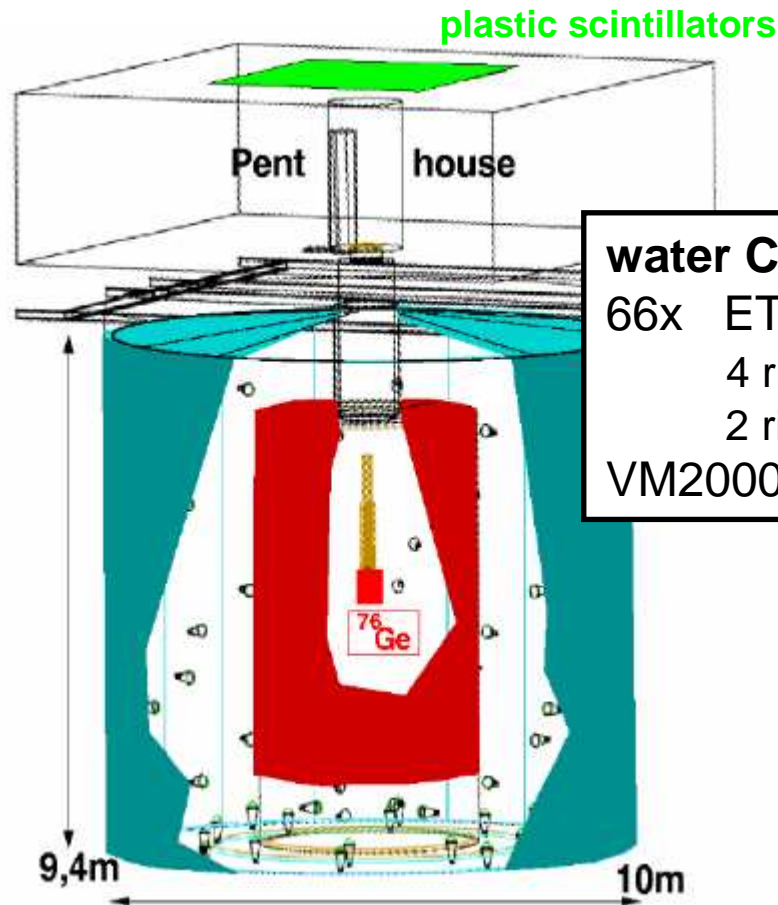


Ready for cryostat installation on bottom plate of water tank (hall A in front of LVD).

diameter	10 m
height	~9 m
nom. volume	~650 m ³
water quality	de-ionized Rn stripped

designed,
ordered,
bottom plate installed

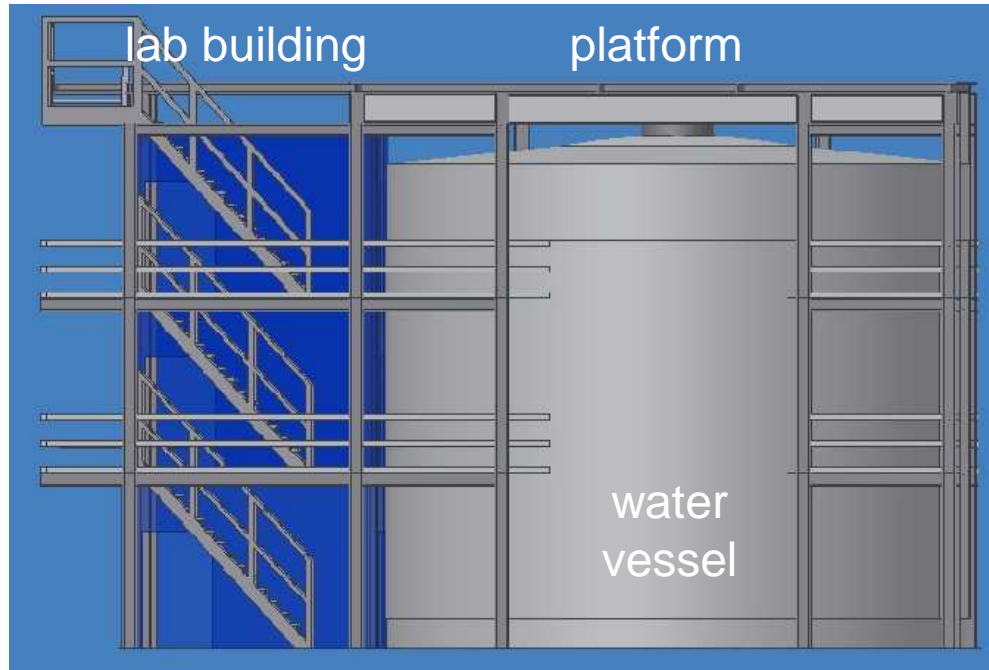
fabrication to be continued
after cryostat delivery



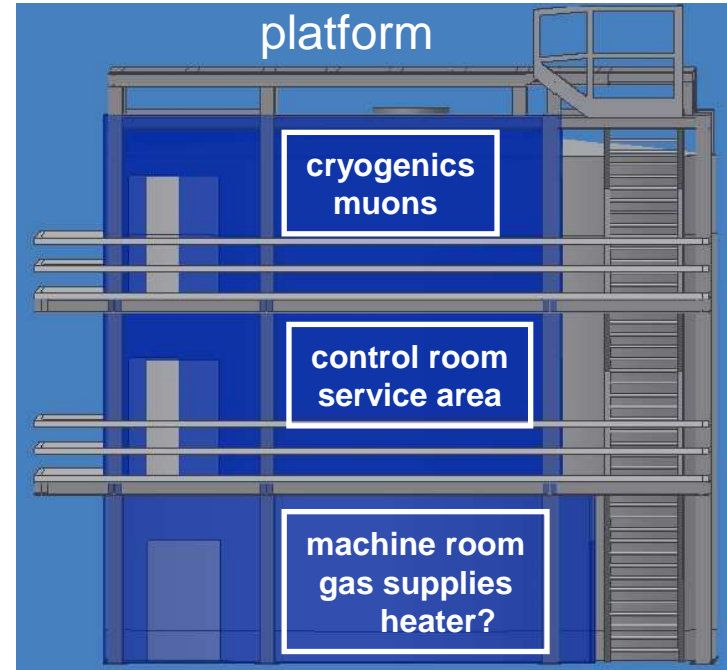
ETL 8" PM inside capsule with oil
 long term test in water

prototype tests successful,
 production along schedule

sideview



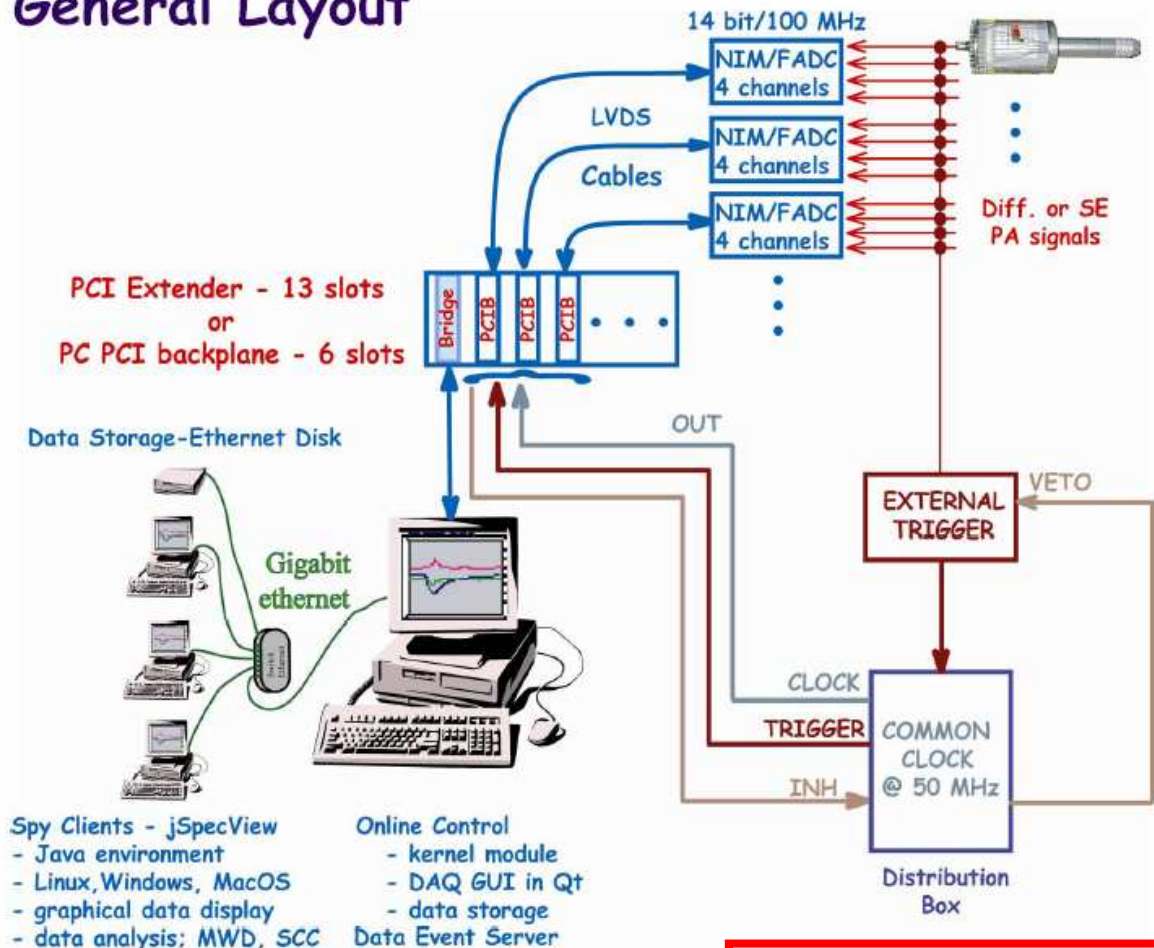
view from back (LVD)



space for LN2 & LAr storage tanks
allocated

lab building & platform tendered
equipment not completely funded

General Layout



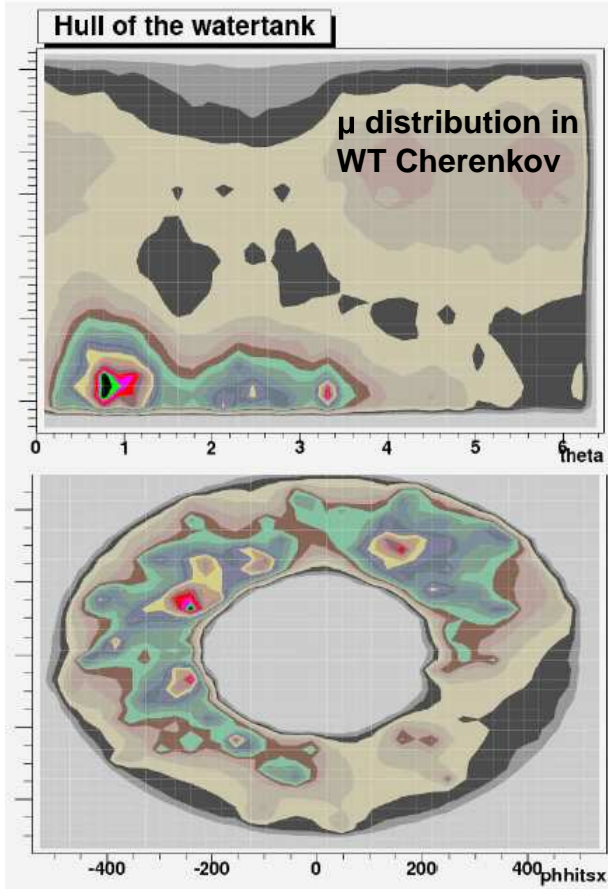
feature	MD2S Padova
Channels	4
FADC bits	14 (13)
FADC rate (MHz)	100
FPGA k-gates/ch	100
Internal trigger	no
Trace length (samples)	max 2048
Control & i/f	NIM/PCI
Data xfr	PCI
Max output rate (MB/s)	6

PCI-NIM DAQ system operational (20 ch , phase I) dto software, " jSpecView " for analysis & monitoring

MaGe : common Monte Carlo framework with Majorana collaboration

Muon-induced isotope production

	Nitrogen		Argon	
	nuclei/(kg y)	counts/(kg keV y)	nuclei/(kg y)	counts/(kg keV y)
<i>Isotopes produced in crystals</i>				
$^{74}\text{Ga}/^{75}\text{Ga}/^{76}\text{Ga}$	<0.08	$<3 \times 10^{-5}$	<0.1	$<4 \times 10^{-5}$
^{68}Ge	0.07 ± 0.03	$(4 \pm 2) \times 10^{-6}$	0.08 ± 0.03	$(5 \pm 2) \times 10^{-6}$
^{60}Ge	0.38 ± 0.08	$(1.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-6}$	1.8 ± 0.2	$(5.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-6}$
$^{77}\text{Ge}/^{77\text{m}}\text{Ge}$	0.05 ± 0.03	$(1.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-5}$	0.51 ± 0.09	$(1.1 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-4}$
<i>Isotopes produced in cryogenic liquid</i>				
^{38}Cl	-	-	46 ± 1 nucl/day	$(3.3 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-5}$
^{40}Cl	-	-	2.7 ± 0.1 nucl/day	$(4.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-6}$



detector	5
holder (copper)	4
holder (Teflon)	8
cabling	6
electronics	3
infrastructure	4
muons, neutrons	2
sum	32

example of phase II background index for available materials in 10^{-4} cts / (keV · kg · y)

to be improved!

see e.g. Pandola et al. , NIM A570 (2007) 479

Ge γ spectrometers

- Baksan 600 m w.e. (soon \rightarrow 4900 m w.e.) 4-fold spectrometer
- Hades 500 m w.e. Ge-2 – Ge-9
- MPI-K 15 m w.e. 3 diodes
- LNGS 3500 m w.e. GeMPI 1,2,(3) S : $\sim O(10[100])$ $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$ for heavy [light] samples

Rn-222 diagnostics / monitoring

- emanation technique S : $0.5 \mu\text{Bq} / \text{m}^2$, $10 \mu\text{Bq} / \text{kg}$
- gas purity analysis
- electrostatic chamber : $0.1 - 1 \text{ mBq} / \text{m}^3$

 α spectrometer

- Baksan (ionization chamber) S : 10 Bq/m^3 (quick), background: $0.002 / (\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{h})$
- Krakow

ICPMS (inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry)

- Frankfurt U S : U/Th $\sim 1 \mu\text{Bq} / \text{kg}$ > secular equilibrium? <
- LNGS & commercial

(measured materials: Kapton, Teflon, Torlon, MLI, PMT glass, Cu, steel, Cu/P granulate)

► Challenge: screening of plastic materials at required Th sensitivity

Surface purification studies (cryostat $> 100 \text{ m}^2$)

- Cu disks radiated with strong Rn source S : $1 \mu\text{Bq} / \text{m}^2$

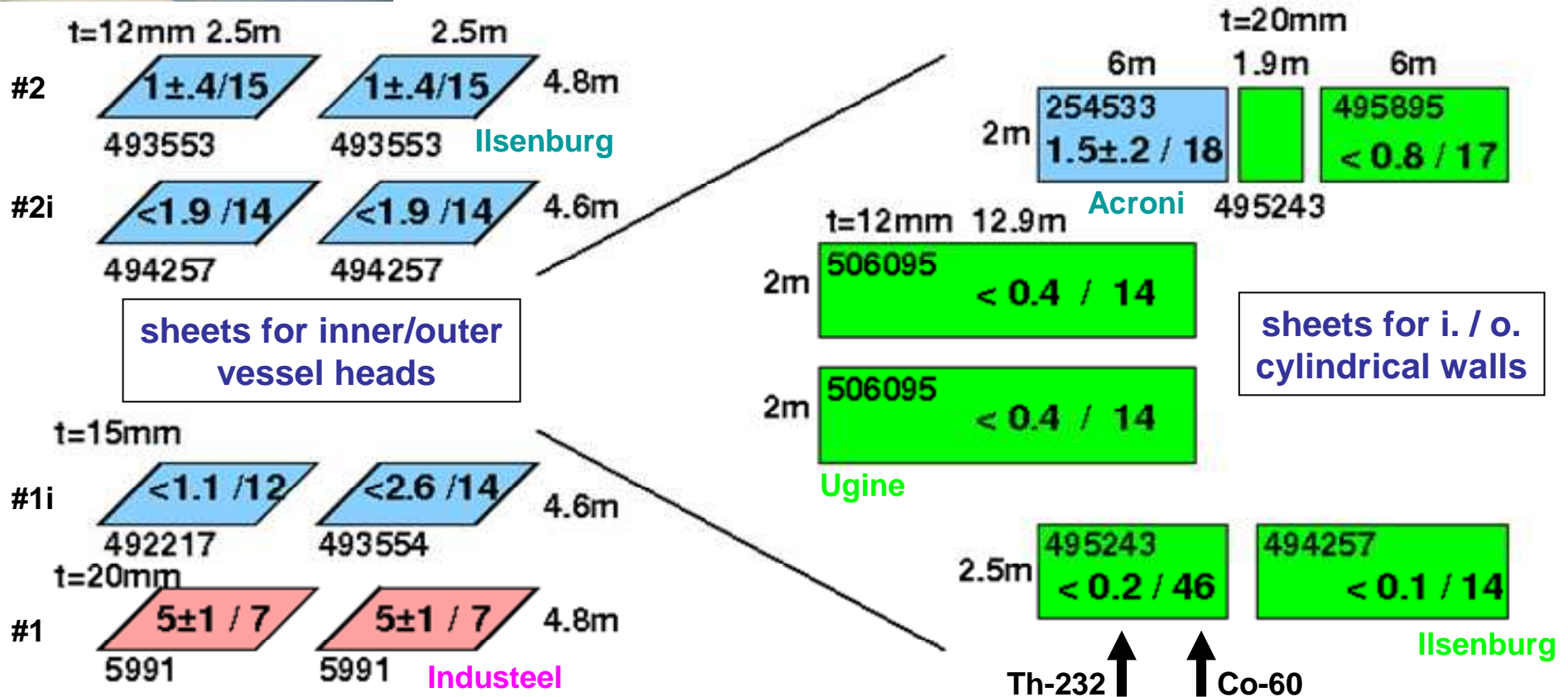


TG11 screening of cryostat's ss sheets

results from γ spectroscopy at LNGS and MPI HD

(more data available)

units: mBq / kg



unexpected low Th-232 activity, typ. < 1 mBq/kg \blacktriangleright less massive Cu shield needed

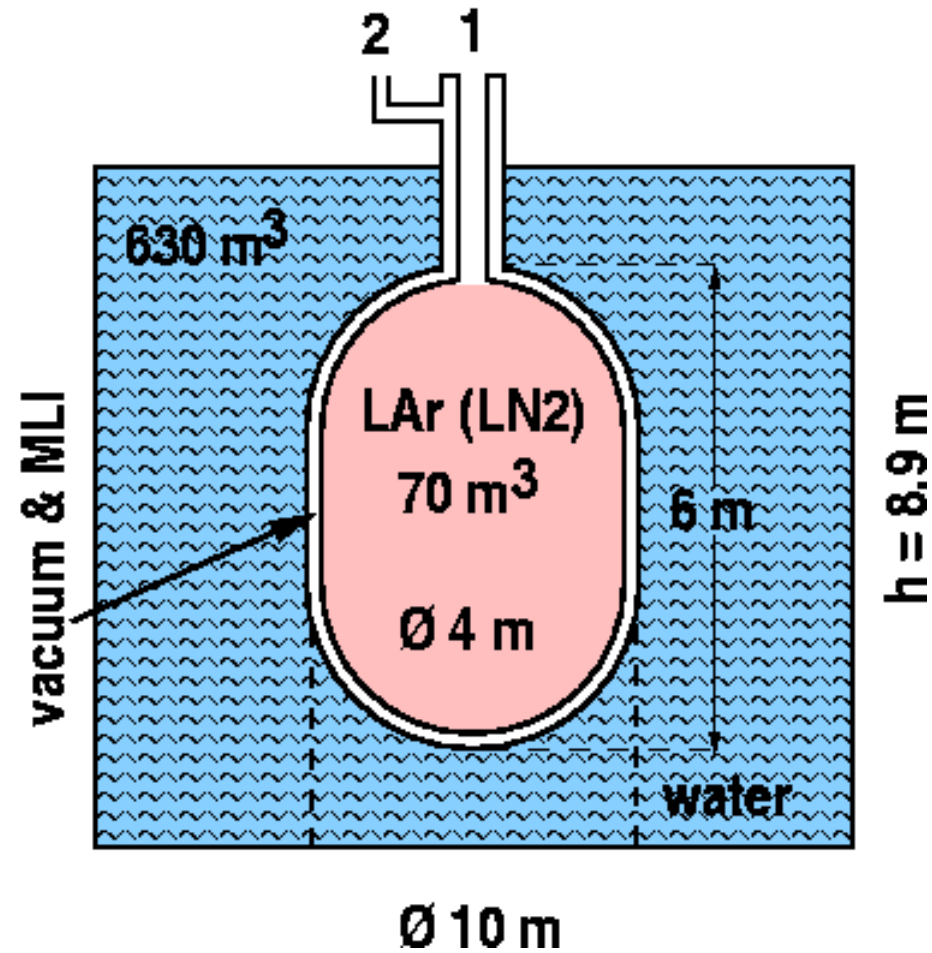
Material	K-40	Th-228	Ra-226	Ra-228	method	
super insulation	alum. Teflon	<16	<6	<4	<8	Y
	NAC-2	81±20	5±3	23±3		Y
	Coolcat 2 NW	150±30	2.3±0.6	1±0.5	2±0.5	Y
	Jehier →	1940±150	<52	231±27	<97	Y
Makrolon						
Torlon	<1	<41	<37		NAA	

preliminary

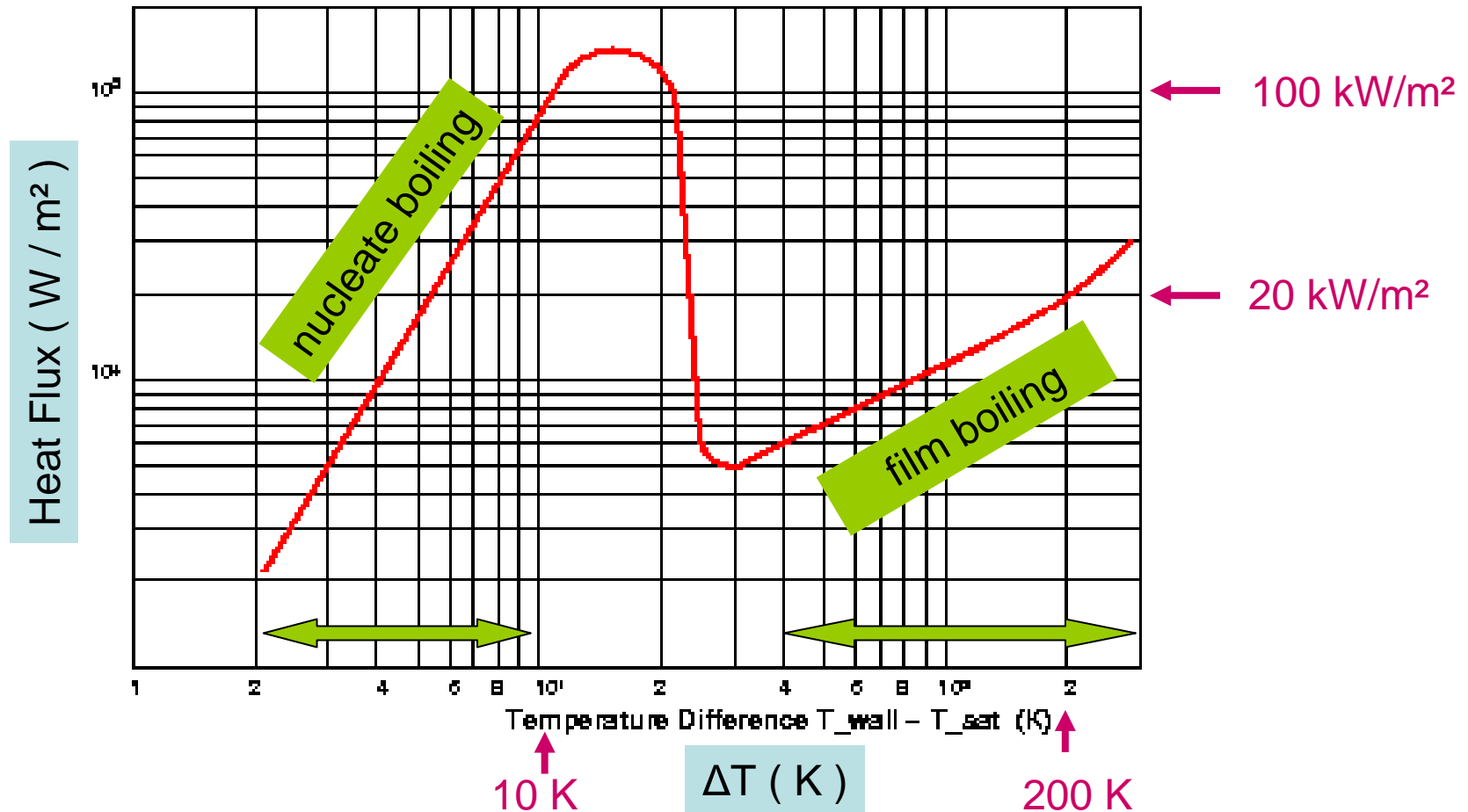
units: mBq / kg

results from γ spectroscopy at MPI HD
 (data for more isotopes available)

Safety



LN2 pool boiling heat transfer characteristics



corresponding diagram for LAr not available

Consequency Event /year	No relevant effects	Minor effects	Serious effects	Major Effects	Mortal (N°1 lethality)	Mortal (N° 2÷10 lethalities)
1 ÷ 10 ⁻¹	A	T	I	I	I	I
10 ⁻¹ ÷ 3* 0 ⁻²	A Event 1		T	I	I	I
3*10 ⁻² ÷ 3* 10 ⁻³	A Event 1* - Event 2	A Event 5	T	T	I	I
3* 10 ⁻³ ÷ 10 ⁻³	A	A	A	T	I	I
10 ⁻³ ÷ 3*10 ⁻⁴					I*	I*
3*10 ⁻⁴ ÷ 10 ⁻⁴	A Evento 8	A	A	A	T	T
10 ⁻⁴ ÷ 10 ⁻⁵	A Evento 9			A Evento 3 - Evento 6		
10 ⁻⁵ ÷ 10 ⁻⁶	A	A	A Evento 10	A	T	T
10 ⁻⁶ ÷ 10 ⁻⁸	A	A	A Evento 11	A	A	A
< 10 ⁻⁸	A	A	A	A	A	A Top 1 - Evento 7 Evento 3* - Evento 6*

Top1: overpressure beyond design, failure of protection

#7: simultaneous cracks in both cryostat walls

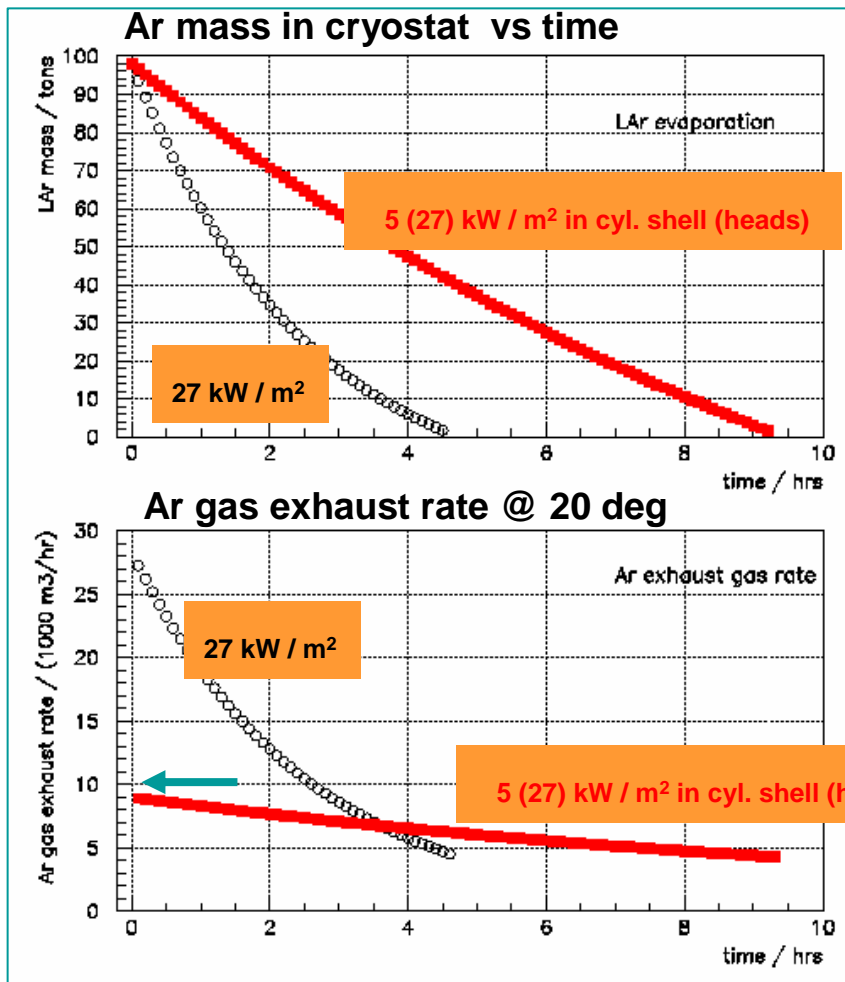
#3*/6*: medium (1") to large size cracks in outer / inner wall

#3 / 6 : micro cracks in outer / inner wall

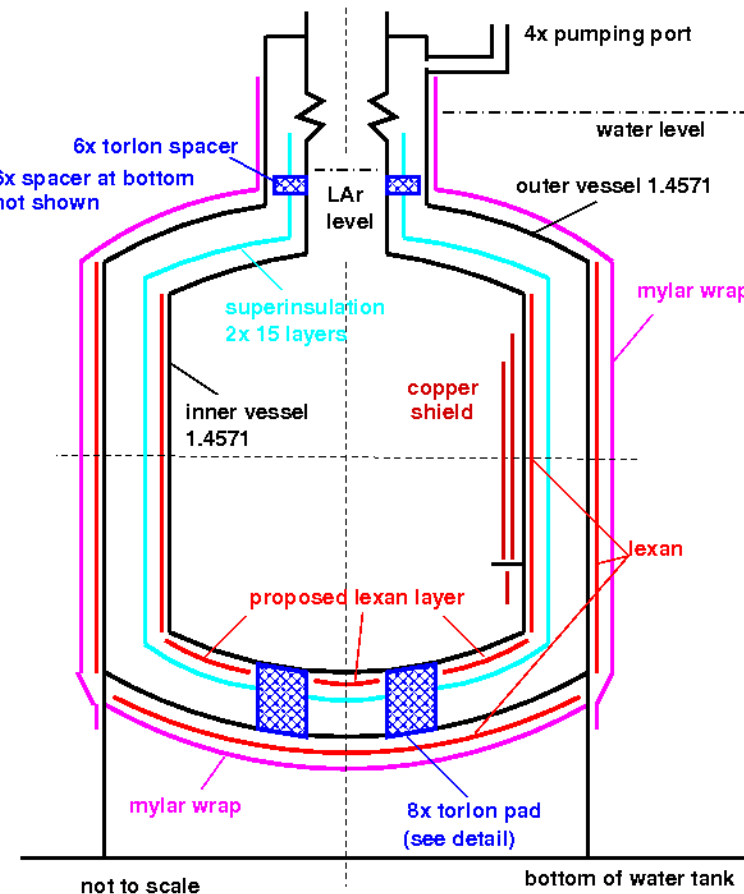
10, 8, 9 : water release in hall A

11 : break of venting pipe

5, 2, 1 : loss of insulation vacuum



Calculated evaporation of Ar for the case that one wall of cryostat is completely lost.



- shields and barriers to be implemented:
- inner vessel - cylindrical shell: Makrolon 6mm
 - outer vessel – total area: styrofoam, Makrolon 2x 3mm, mylar wrap

Schedule

Schedule

Jun 07: GERDA experimental setup officially approved by LNGS

Status of various components:

		on-site install. & test / mo
hall A	ready for installation	
cryostat	delivery early 2008?!	2
cryogenic infrastructure	tender in preparation	
water tank	bottom plate installed	2
platform & lab building	tender done	2
clean room	tender in preparation	} 8
lock	under construction, tests	
muon veto	well on track	<hr/> 14 months after cryostat delivery
detectors	refurbishment almost done tests in LAr ongoing	
electronics	front end available tests of readout chain in preparation	

At present, schedule driven by delivery of cryostat – delayed by half a year.

The End