



Dark Matter Direct Detection

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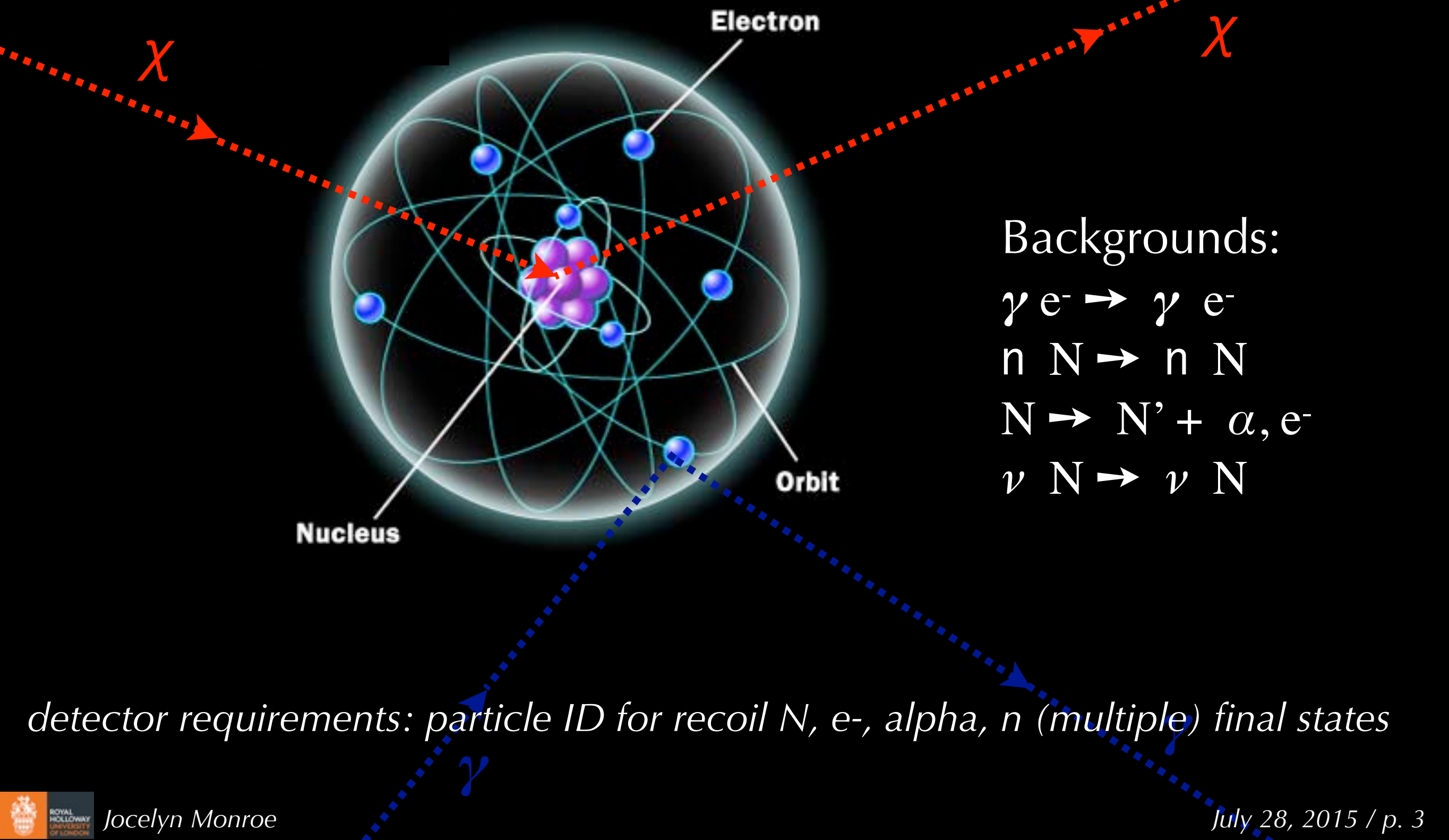
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Signal: $\chi N \rightarrow \chi N$



Backgrounds:

$$\gamma e^- \rightarrow \gamma e^-$$

$$n N \rightarrow n N$$

$$N \rightarrow N' + \alpha, e^-$$

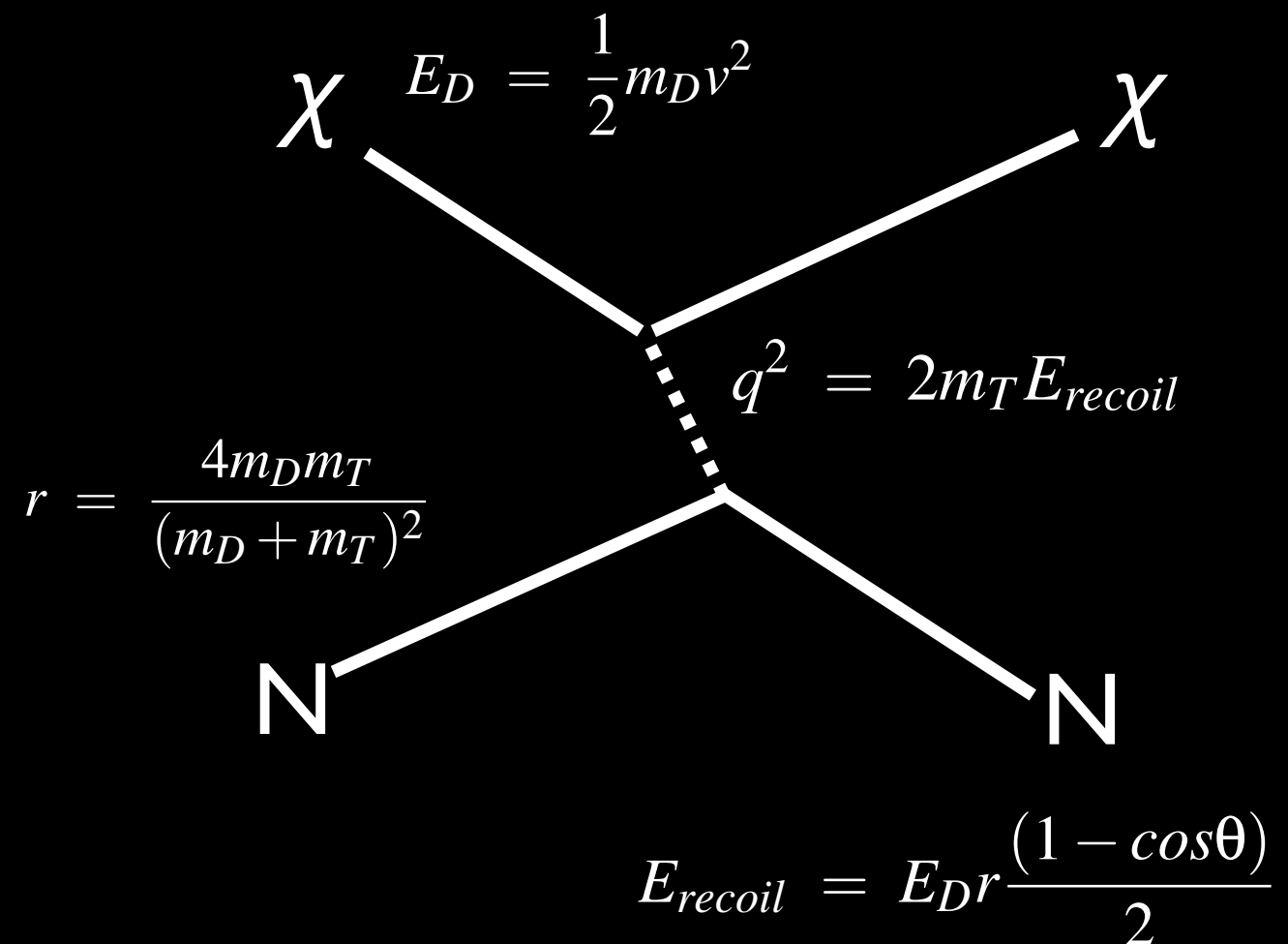
$$\nu N \rightarrow \nu N$$

detector requirements: particle ID for recoil N , e^- , alpha, n (multiple) final states

WIMP Scattering

kinematics: $v/c \sim 8E-4!$

recoil angle strongly correlated
with incoming WIMP direction



Spin Independent:

χ scatters coherently off of
the entire nucleus A : $\sigma \sim A^2$

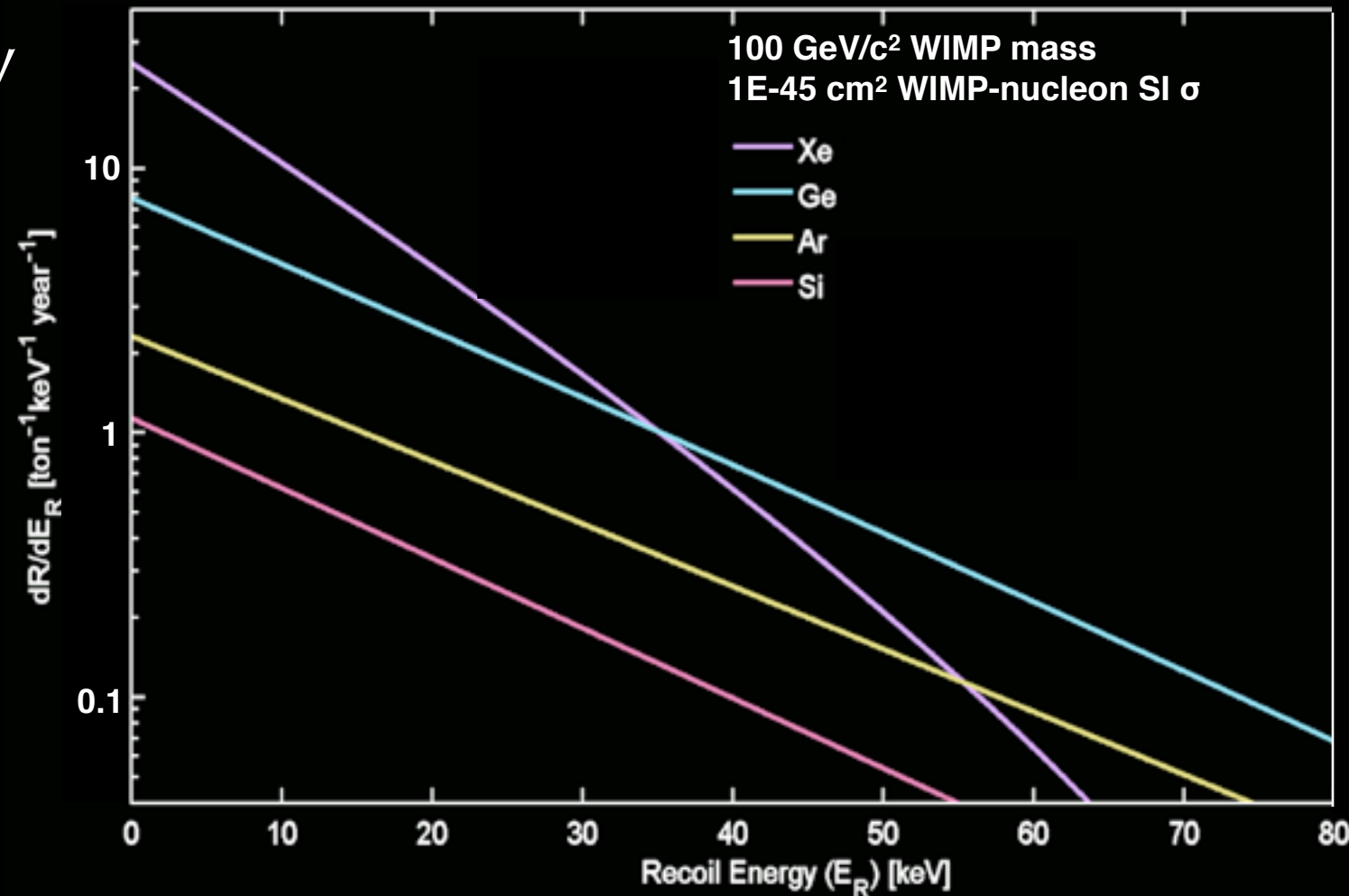
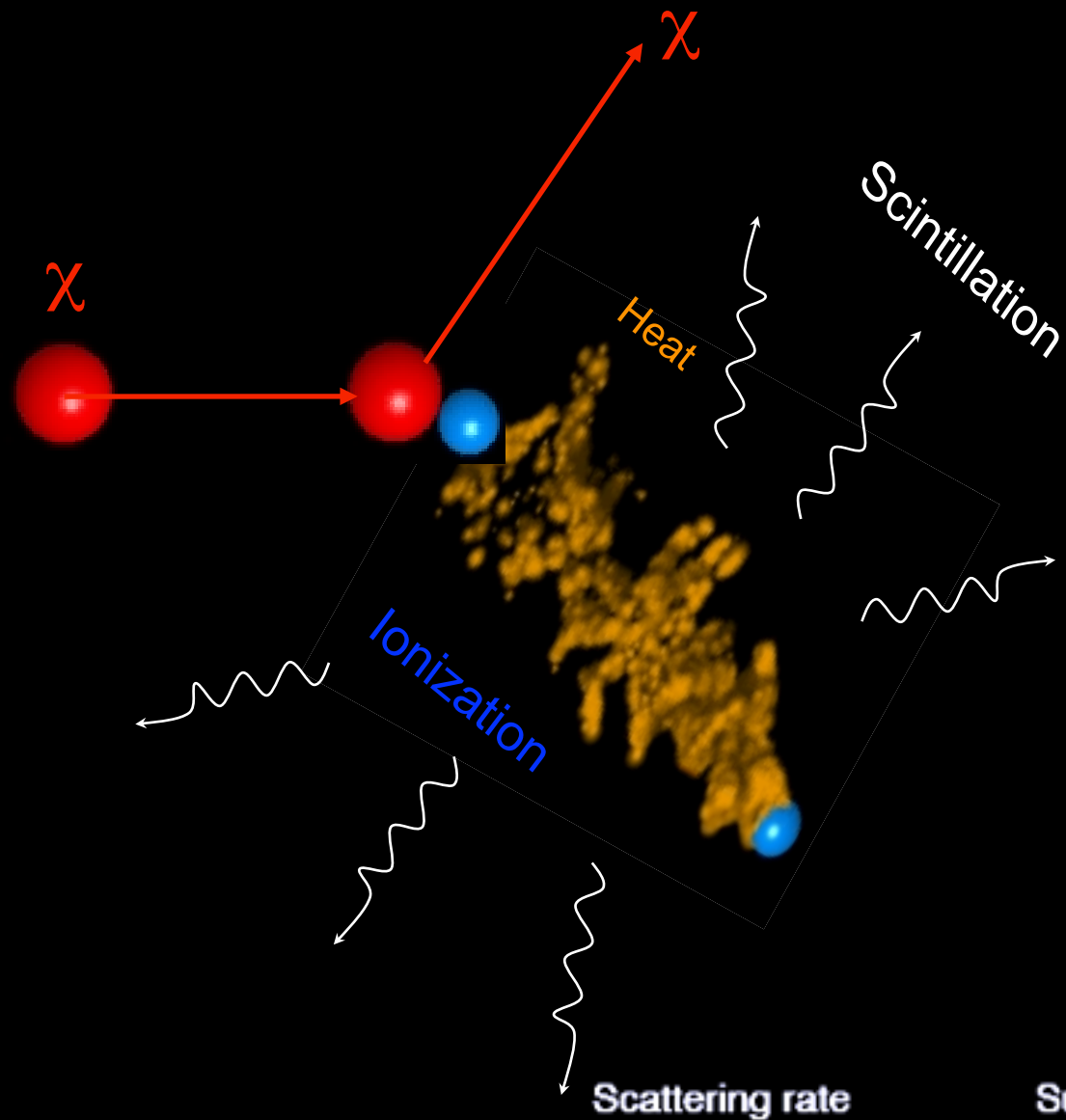
D. Z. Freedman, PRD 9, 1389 (1974)

Spin Dependent:

mainly unpaired nucleons contribute
to scattering amplitude: $\sigma \sim J(J+1)$

detector requirements: measure recoil energy, time, +angle

Observable: Recoil Energy



$$dR/dQ \sim (\sigma_0 \rho_0 / \sqrt{\pi} v_0 m_\chi m_T^2) F^2(Q) T(Q)$$

WIMP energy density, 0.3 GeV/cm³ → $\sigma_0 \rho_0$
 Sun's velocity around the galaxy → v_0
 WIMP velocity distribution → $T(Q)$
 Form factor → $F^2(Q)$

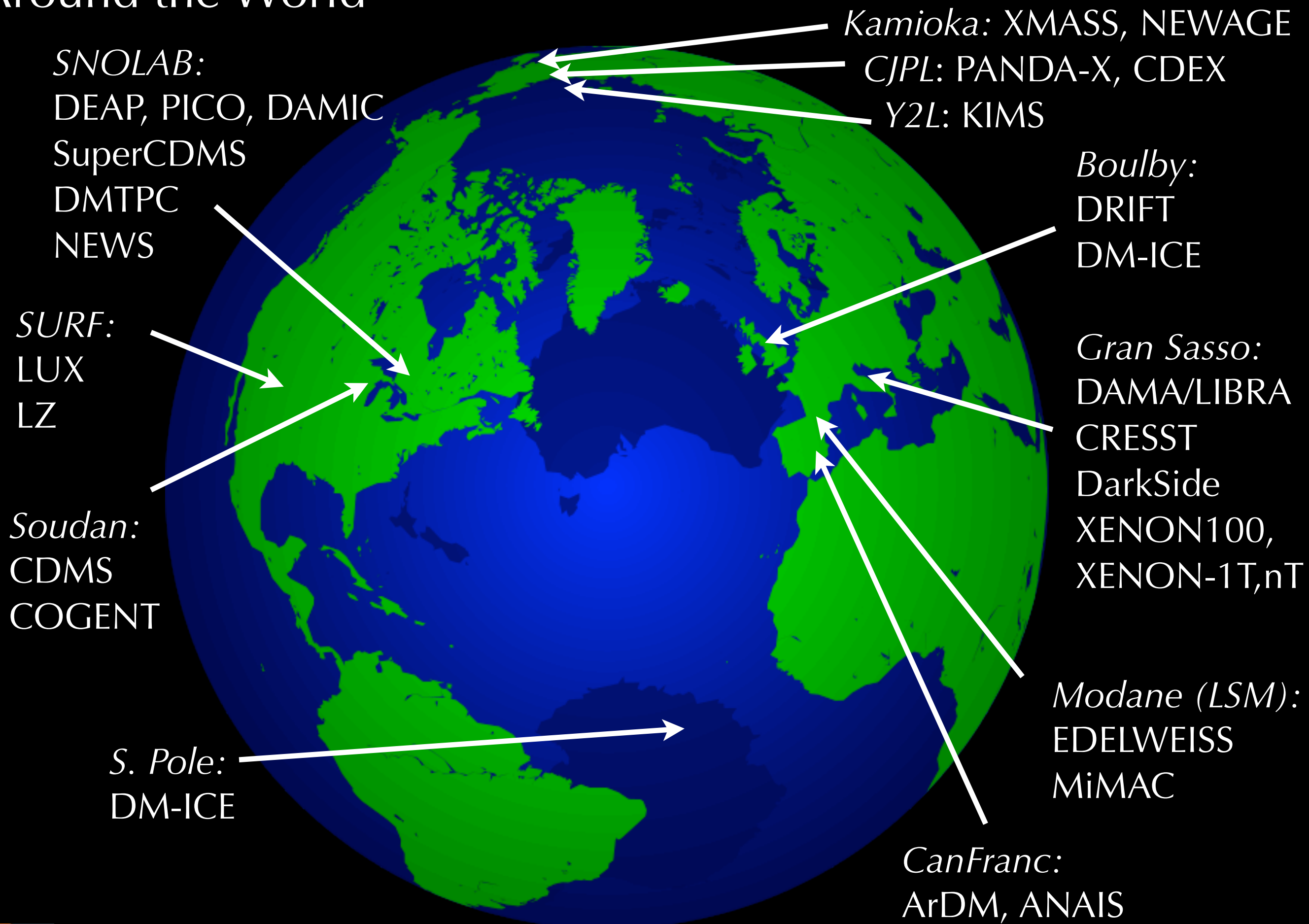
detector requirements: ~1-10s of keV energy threshold, very low backgrounds

Detection Signature



existing detectors: many targets (Xe, Ge, Ar, NaI, CsI, CaWO₄, CF₃I, C₃F₈, F ...)

Around the World



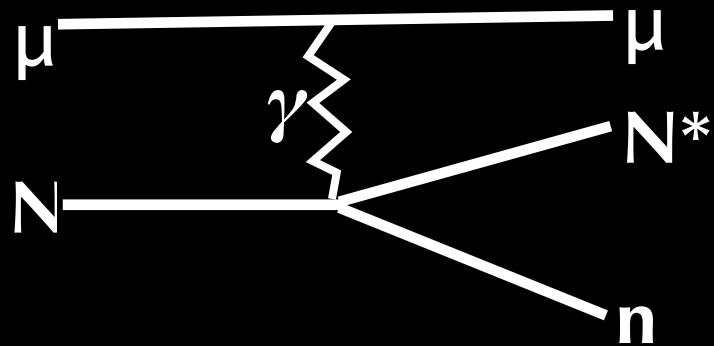
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Gamma ray interactions:

rate $\sim N_e \times (\text{gamma flux})$, $O(1E7)$ events/(kg day)
mis-identified electrons mimic nuclear recoils

Neutrons:

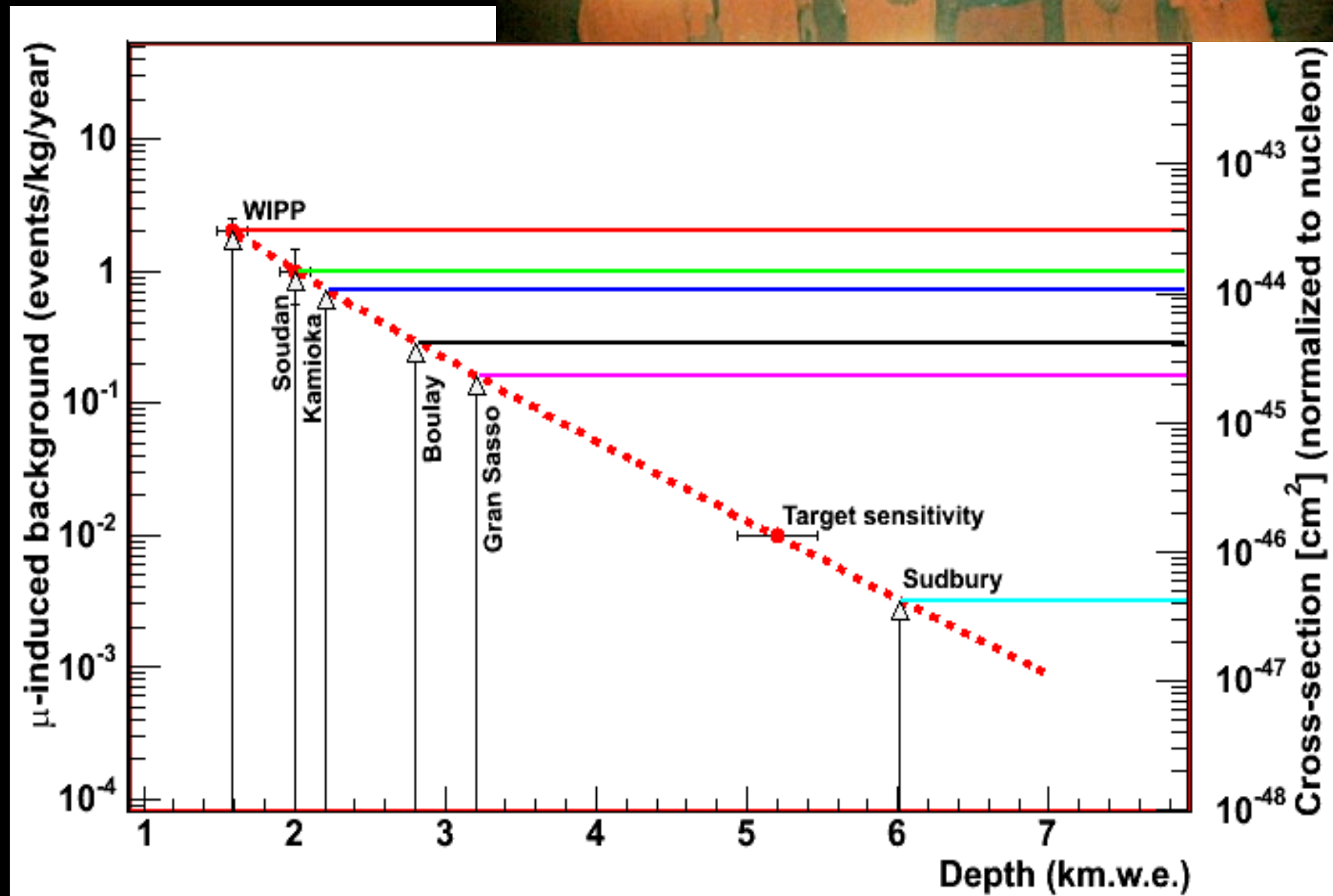
(alpha,n), U, Th fission,
cosmogenic spallation



nuclear recoil final state

Contamination:

^{238}U and ^{232}Th decays,
recoiling progeny and
mis-identified alphas
mimic nuclear recoils

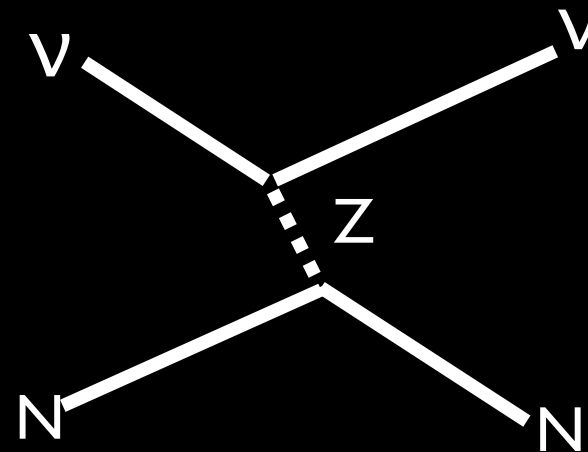
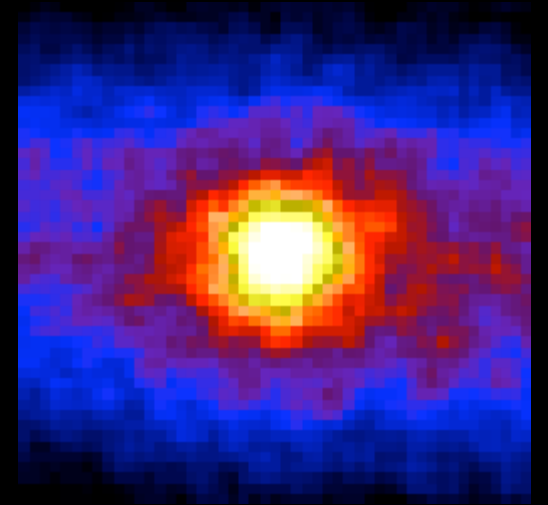


D.-M. Mei, A. Hime, PRD73:053004 (2006)

Irreducible Backgrounds

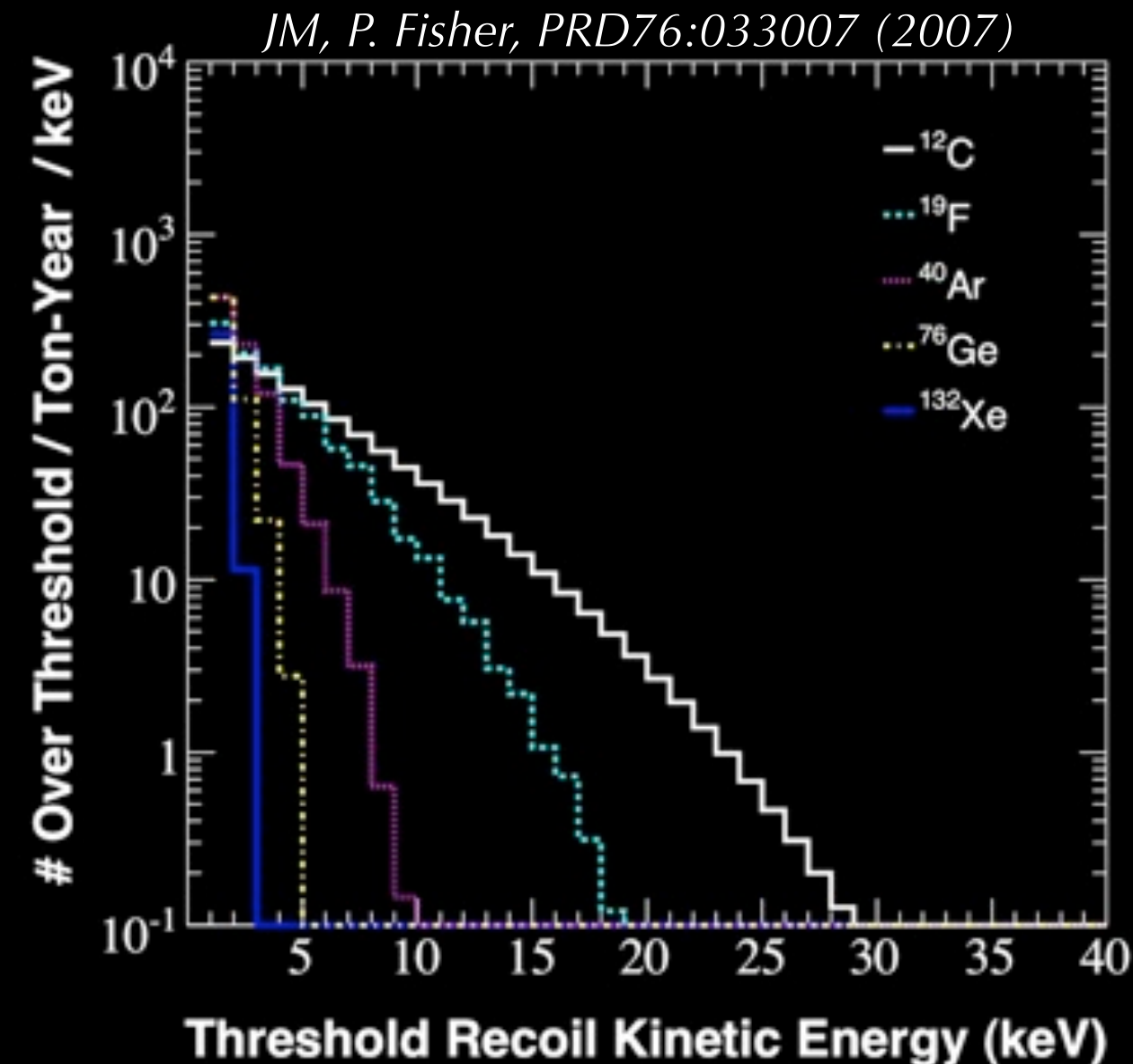
impossible to shield a detector from
coherent neutrino scattering!

$$\Phi(\text{solar } B^8) = 5.86 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



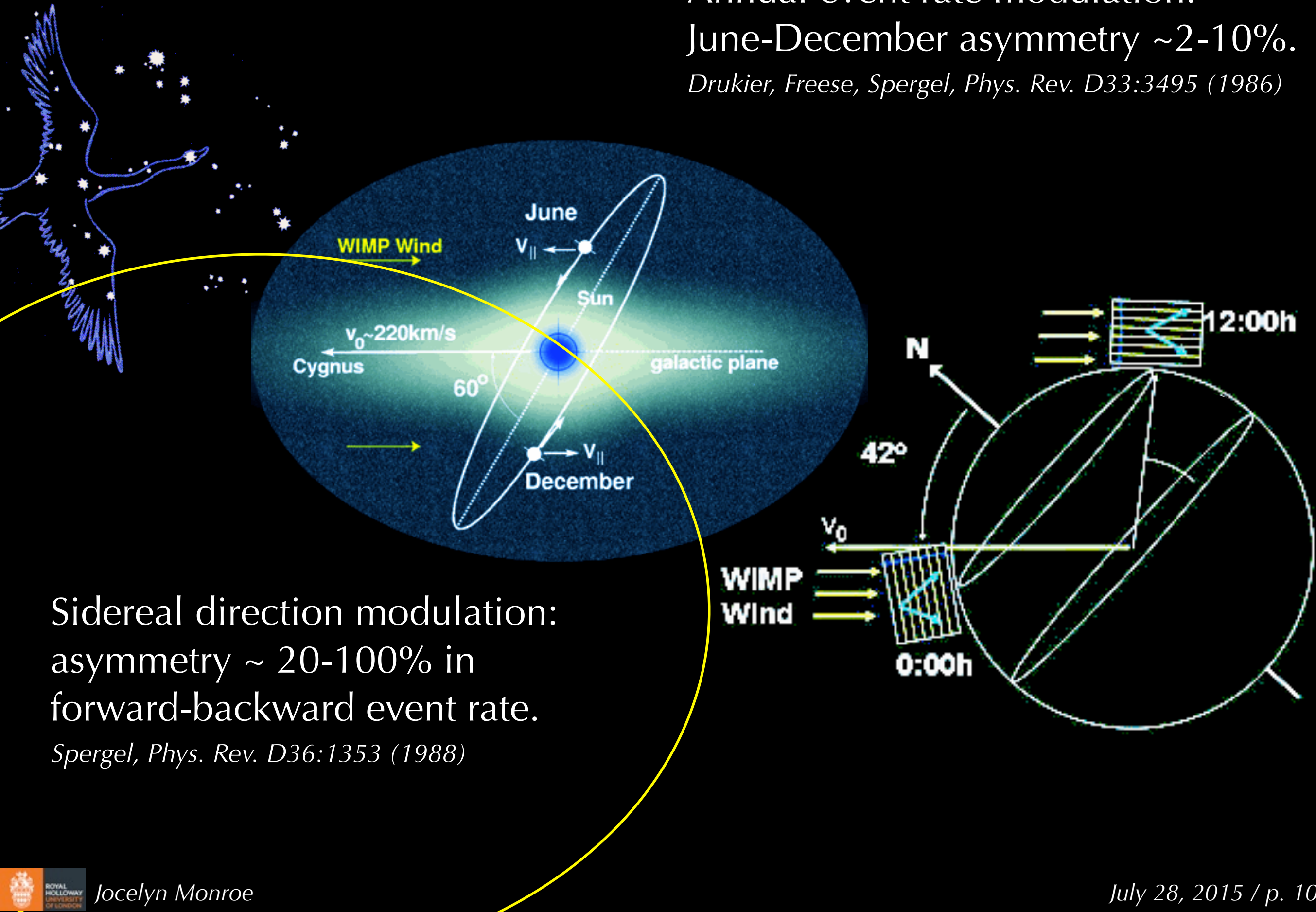
nuclear recoil final state
neutrino bound at 10^{-46} - 10^{-48} cm^2
in zero-background paradigm

*unless you measure
the direction!*



Modulation Signatures

Annual event rate modulation:
June-December asymmetry $\sim 2\text{-}10\%$.
Drukier, Freese, Spergel, Phys. Rev. D33:3495 (1986)



Sidereal direction modulation:
asymmetry $\sim 20\text{-}100\%$ in
forward-backward event rate.
Spergel, Phys. Rev. D36:1353 (1988)



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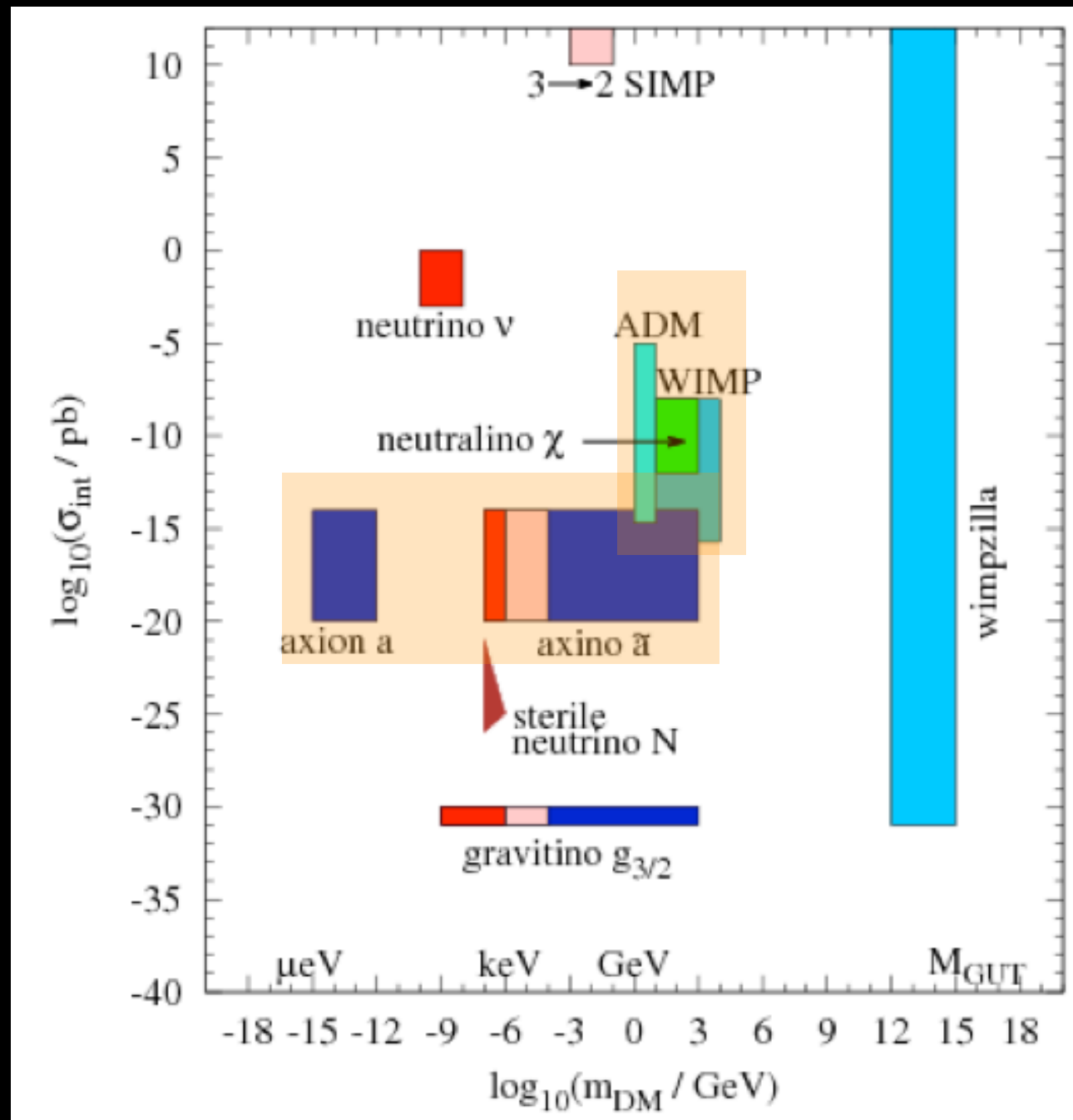
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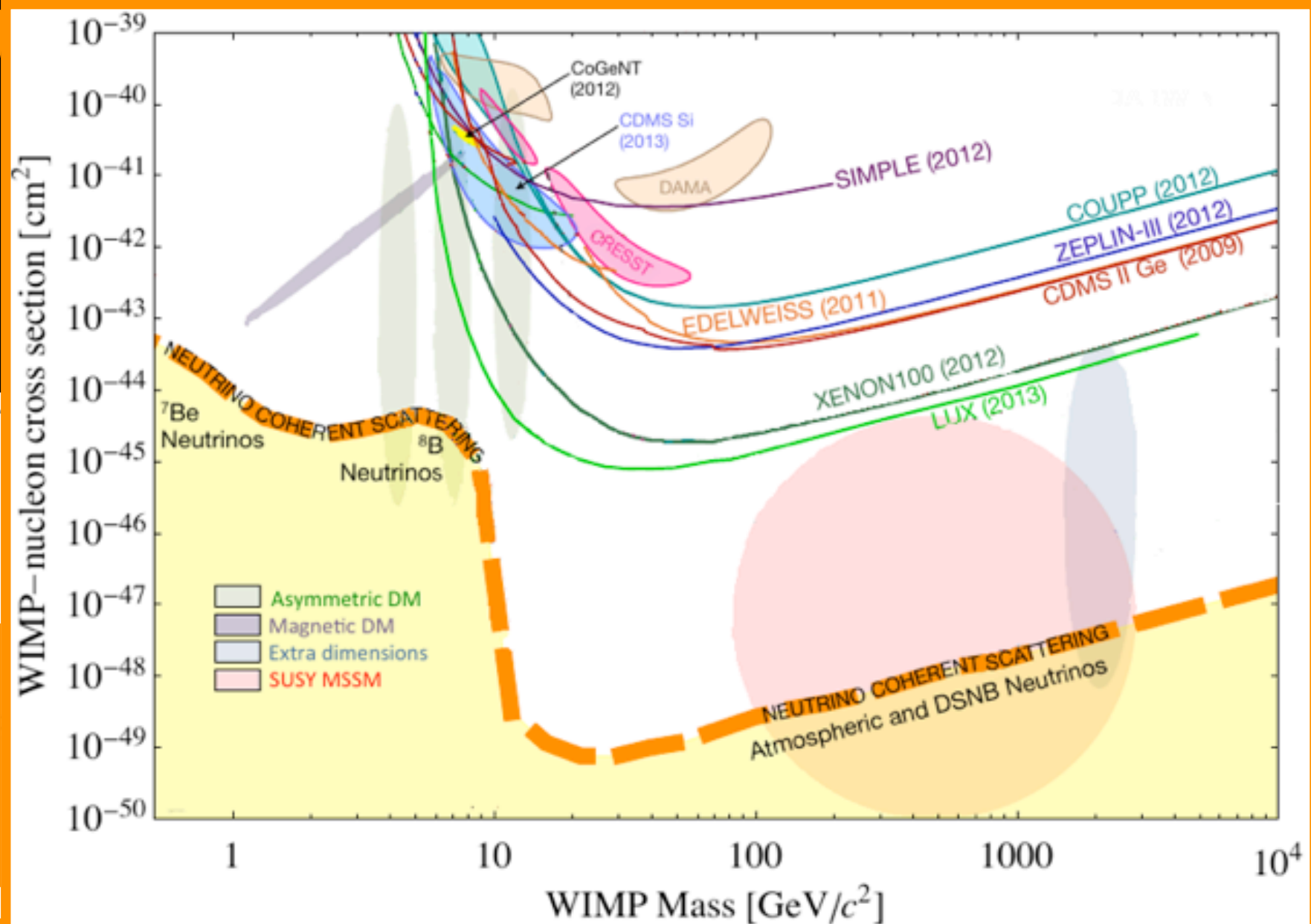
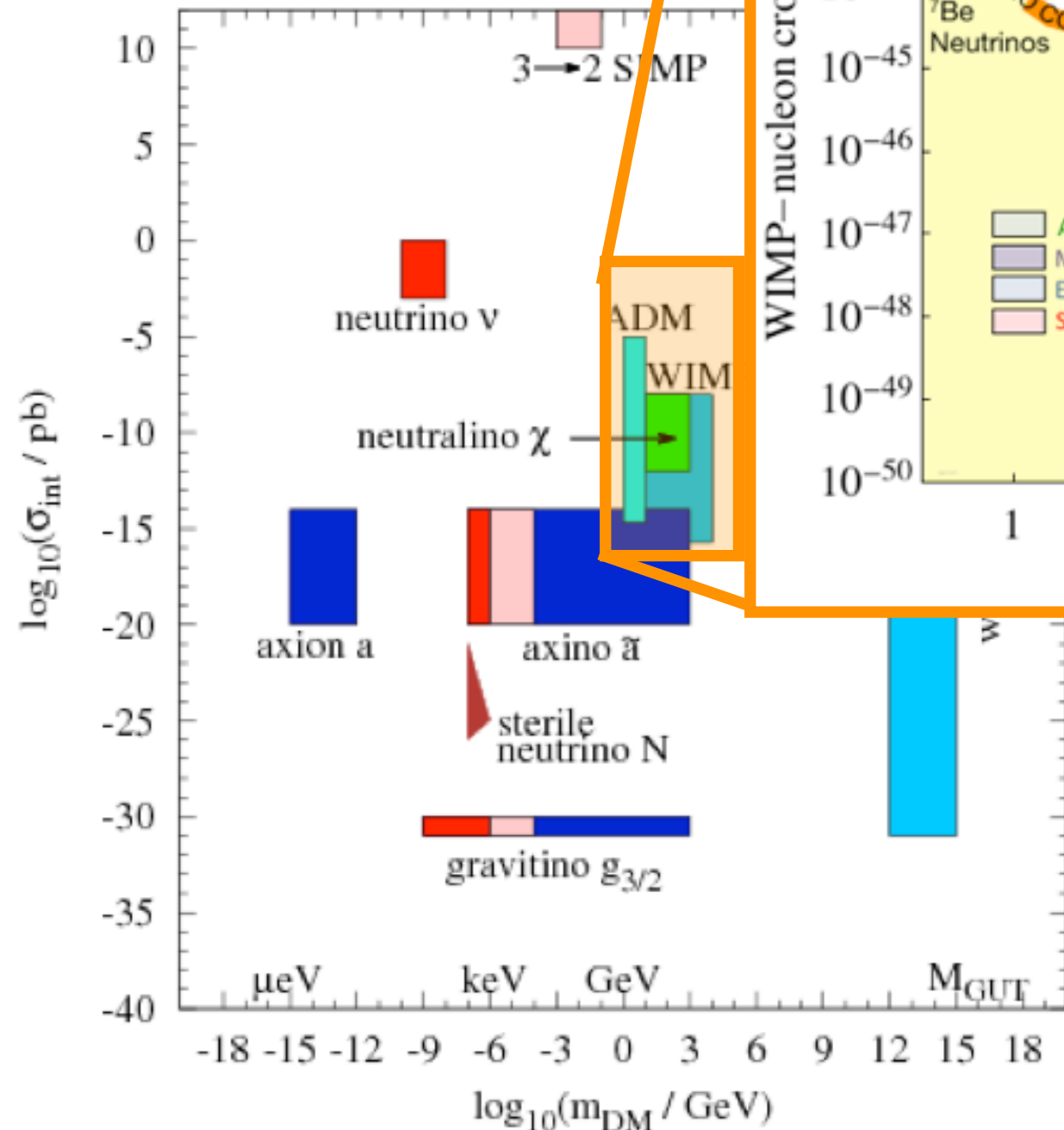


Baer et al., arXiv:1407.0017

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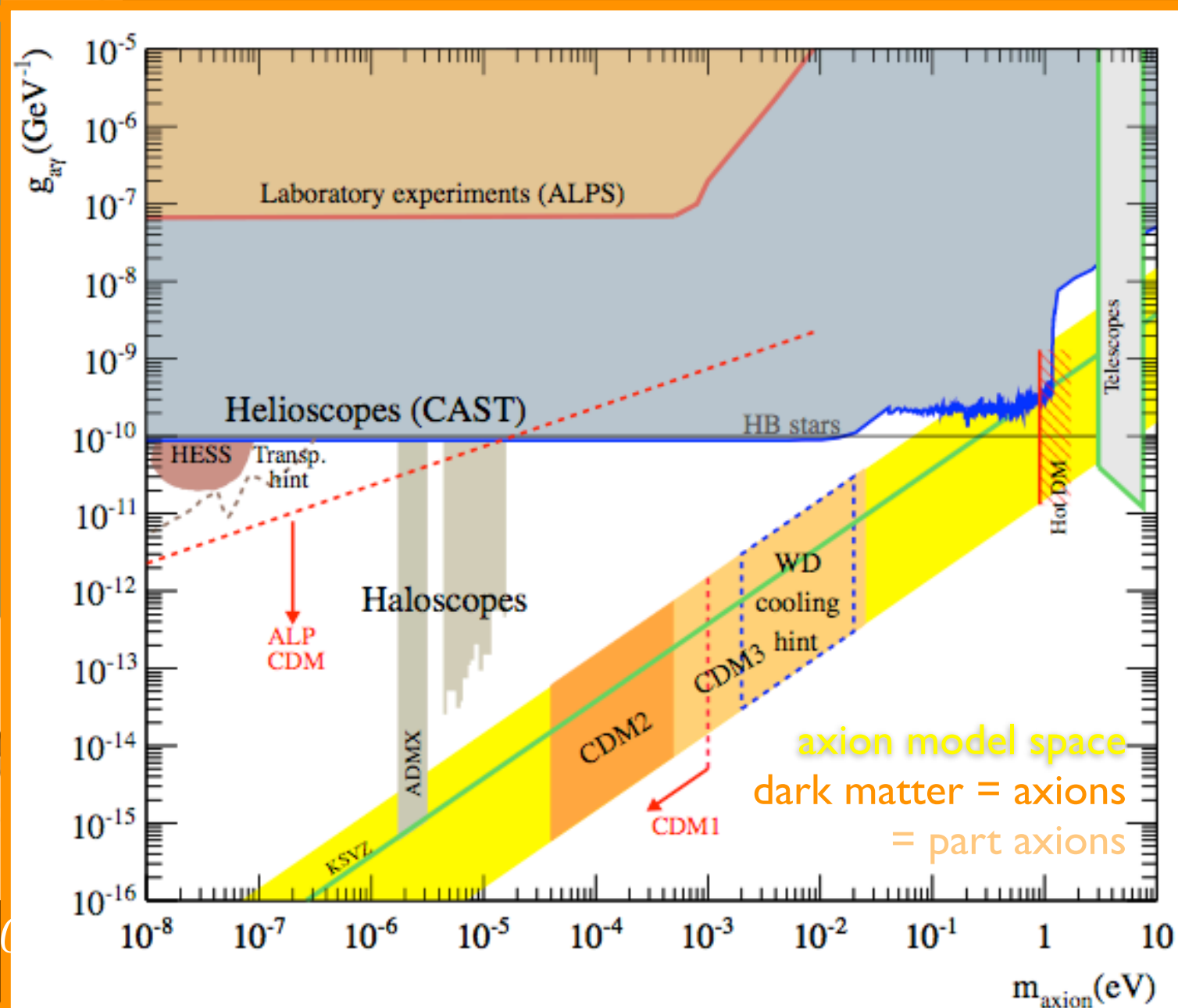
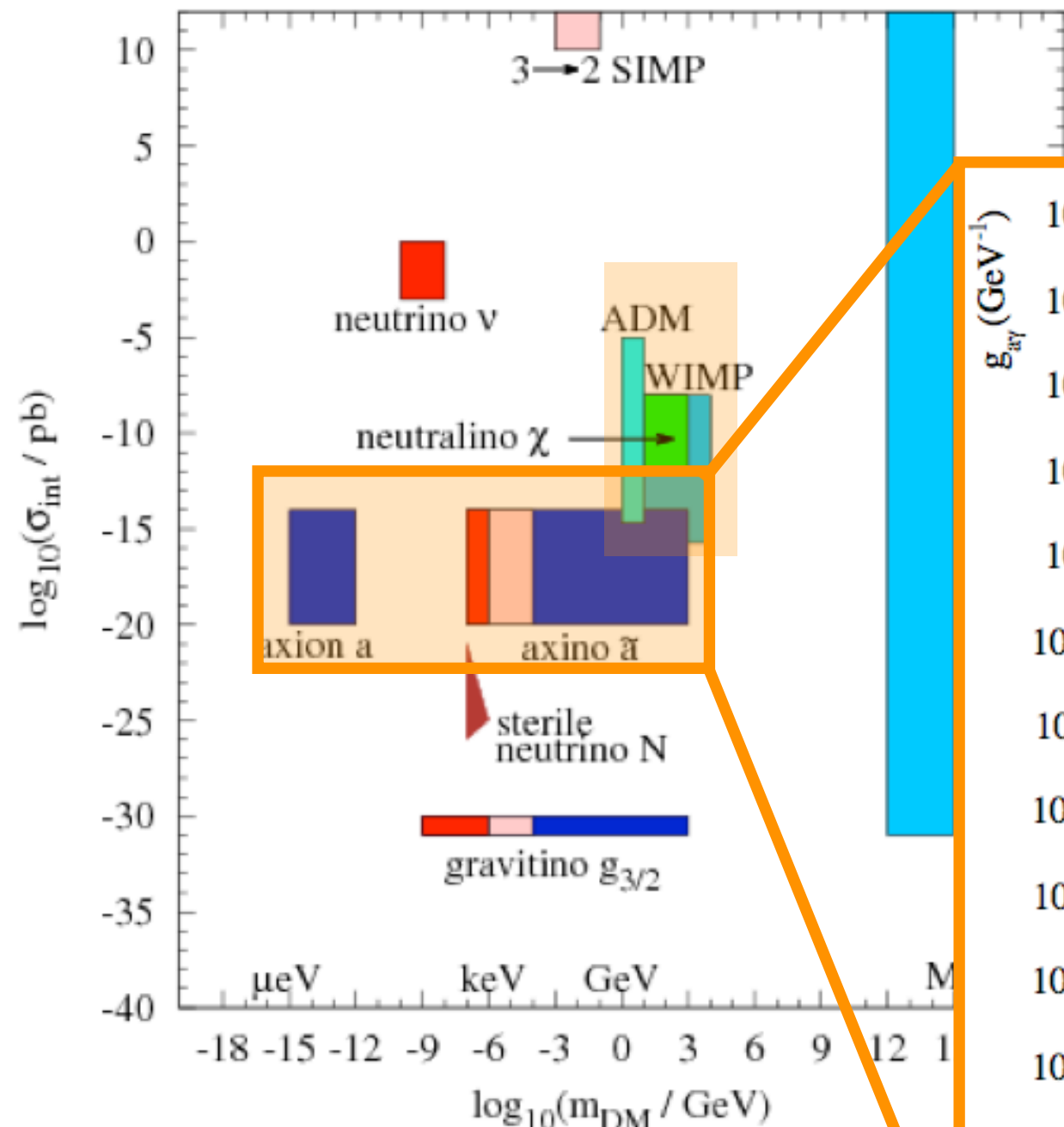
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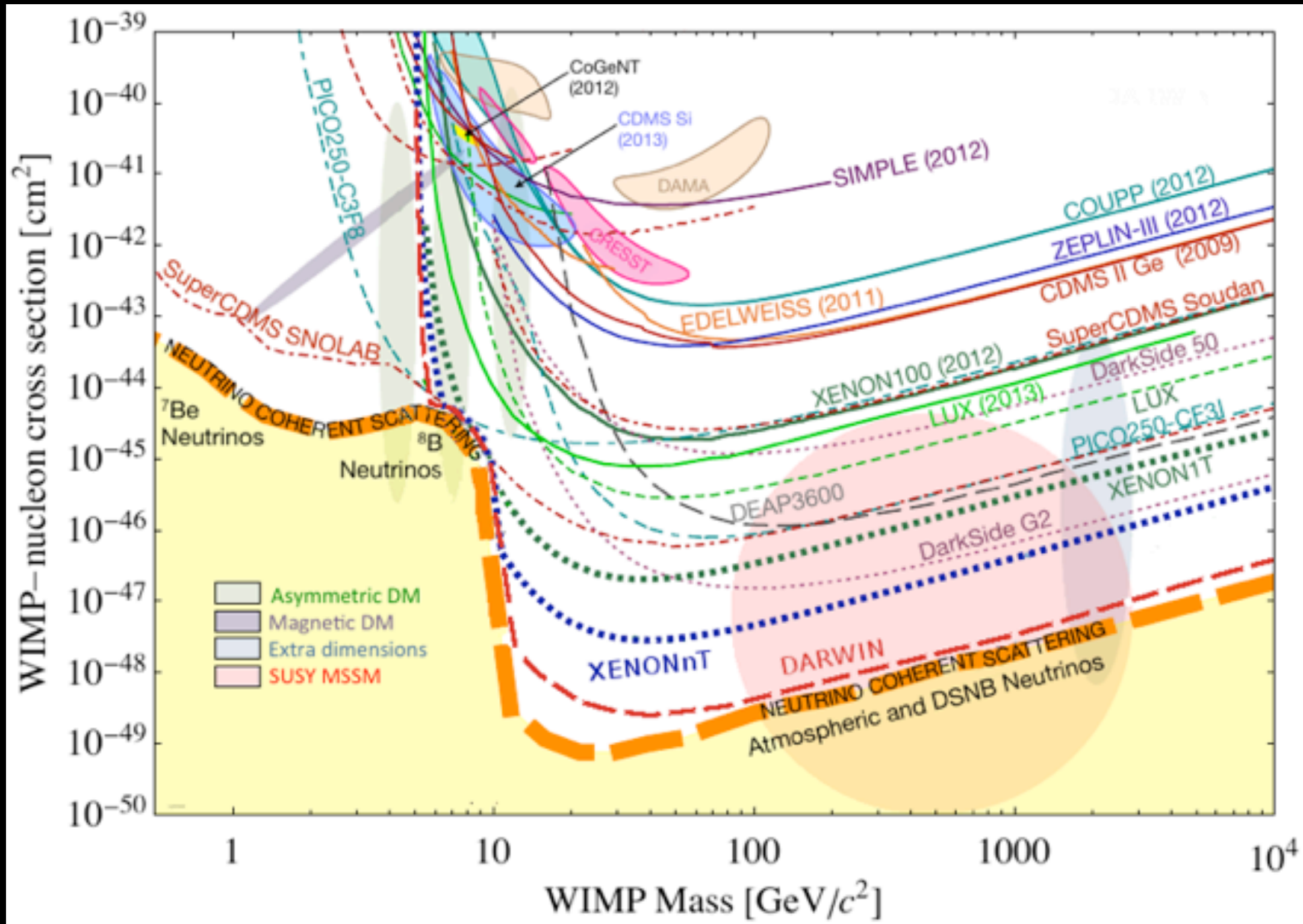
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but starting to look for axions too!



Baer et al., arXiv:1407.0001

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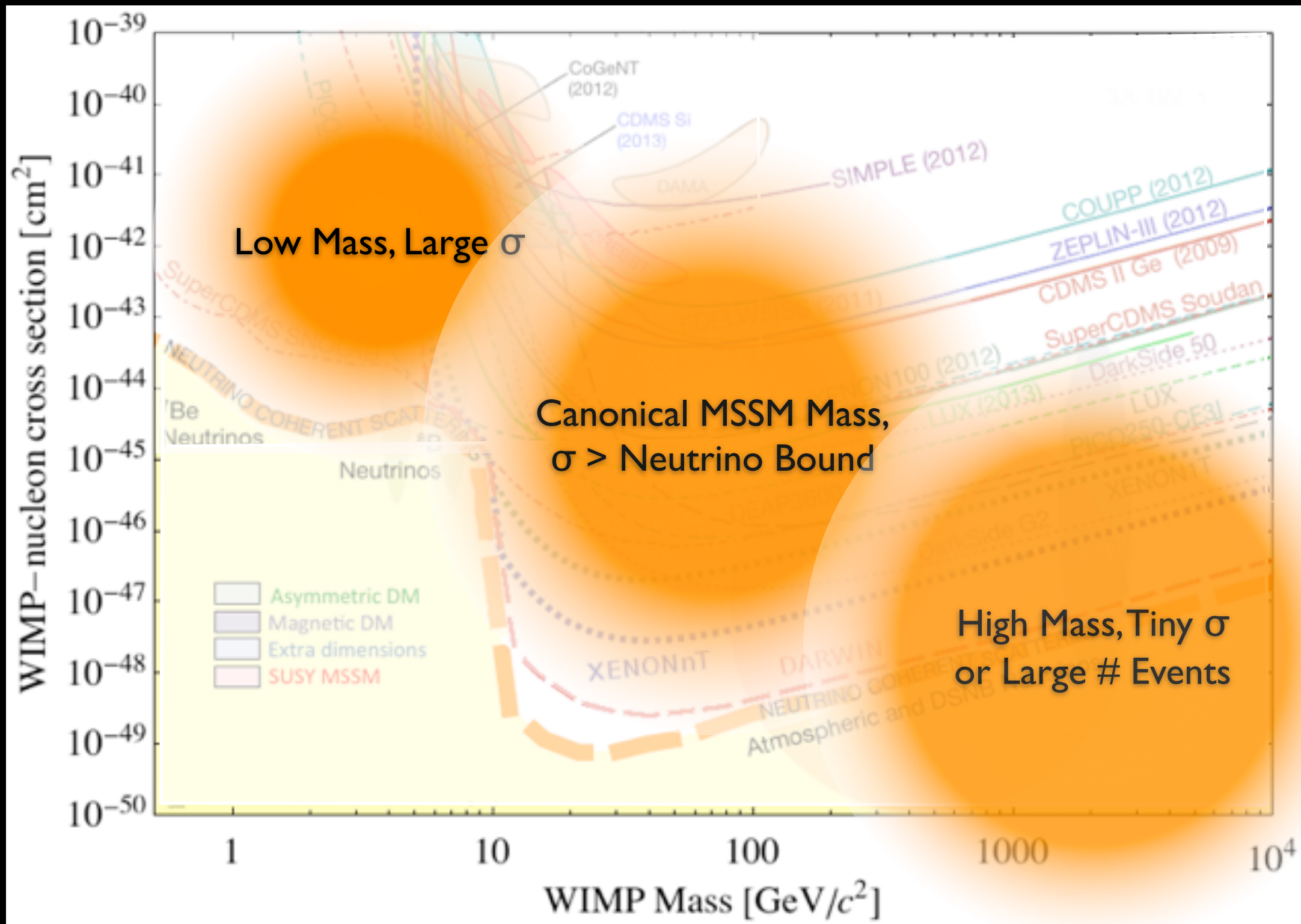
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so far: ~3 years / order of magnitude

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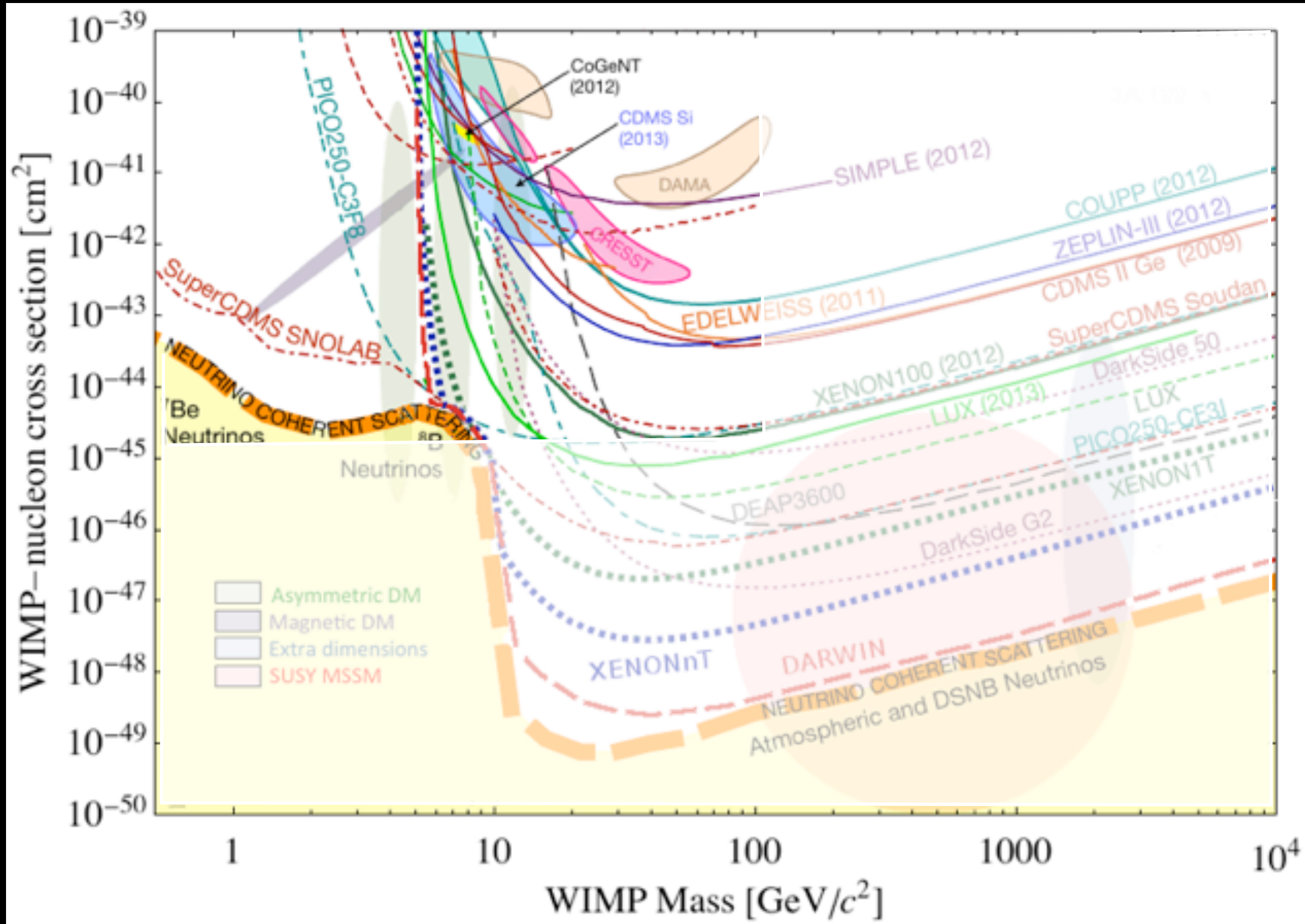


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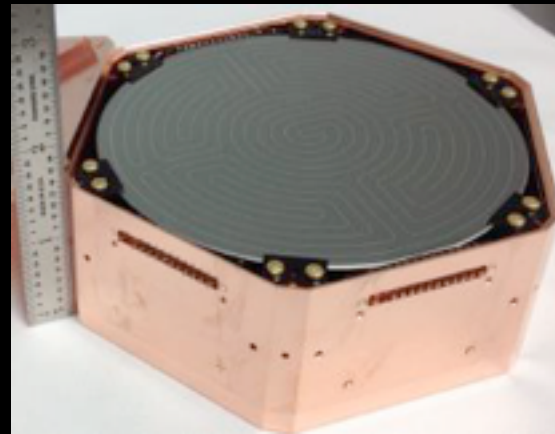
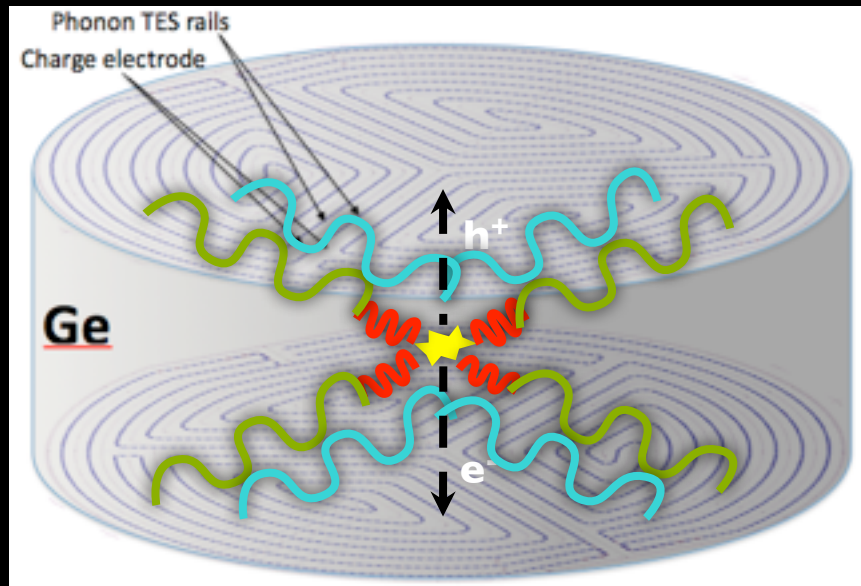
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Bolometers

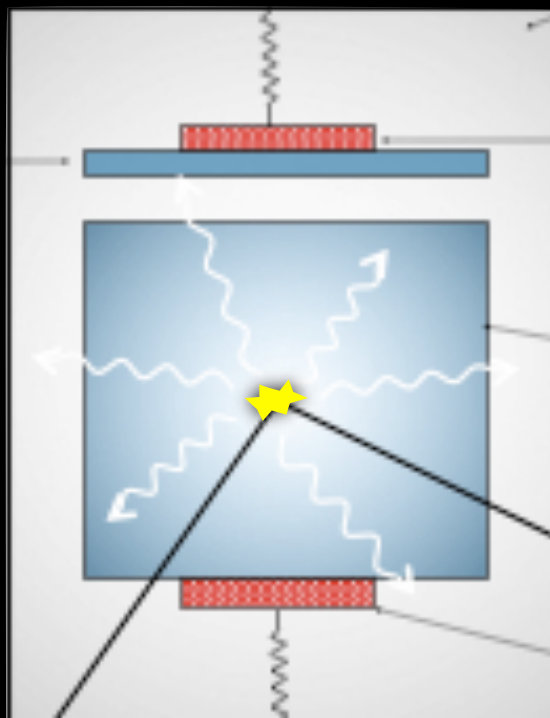
phonon, ionisation or scintillation readout of crystals with Transition Edge Sensors at $O(10 \text{ mK})$
targets: Ge (SuperCDMS, EDELWEISS, COGENT, CDEX), Si (SuperCDMS), CaWO_4 (CRESST)

Phonon rails: 600 gm (SuperCDMS) or 800 gm (EDELWEISS) Ge, TES for E_{recoil} & R (timing)



EDELWEISS: interleaved electrodes reduce surface backgrounds by $\times 10^5$

Charge electrodes: biased at $\pm 2\text{V}$, measure E_{recoil} , configuration optimised to reject surface events



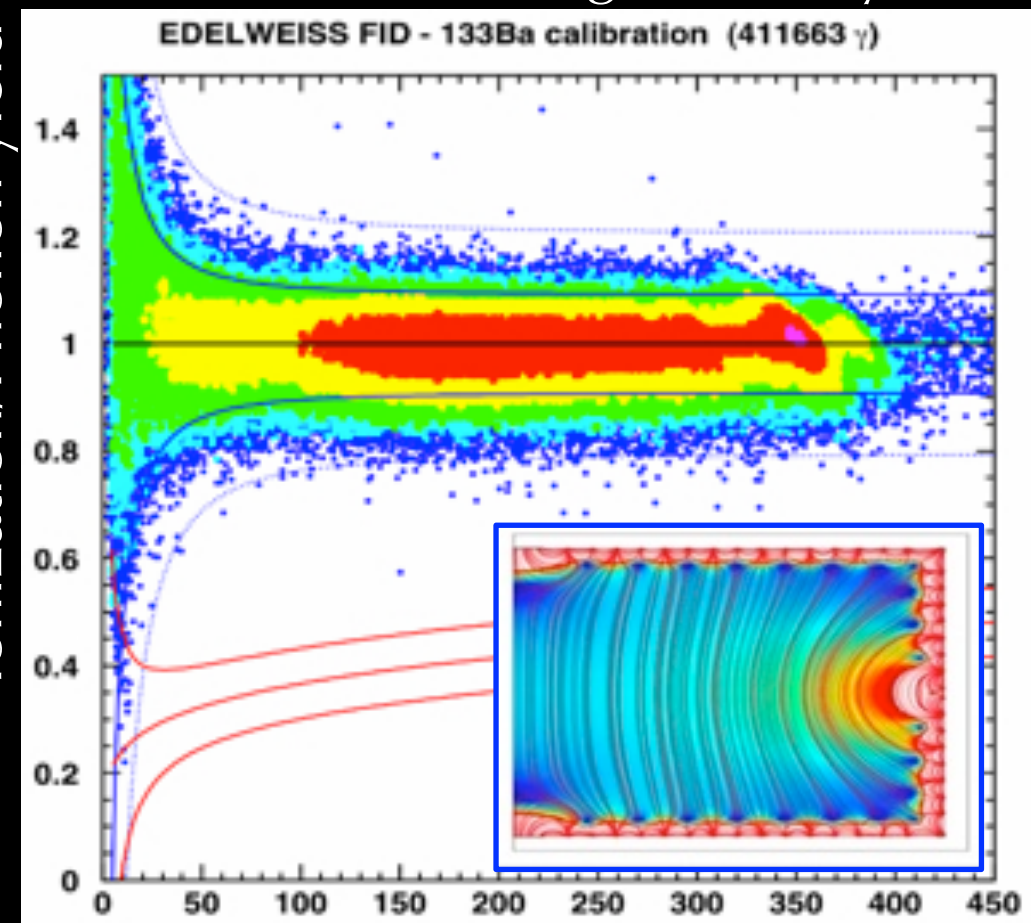
Scintillation side:

Si absorber on 300 gm CaWO_4 , tungsten TES readout for particle ID

Phonon side:

TES readout to measure E_{recoil}

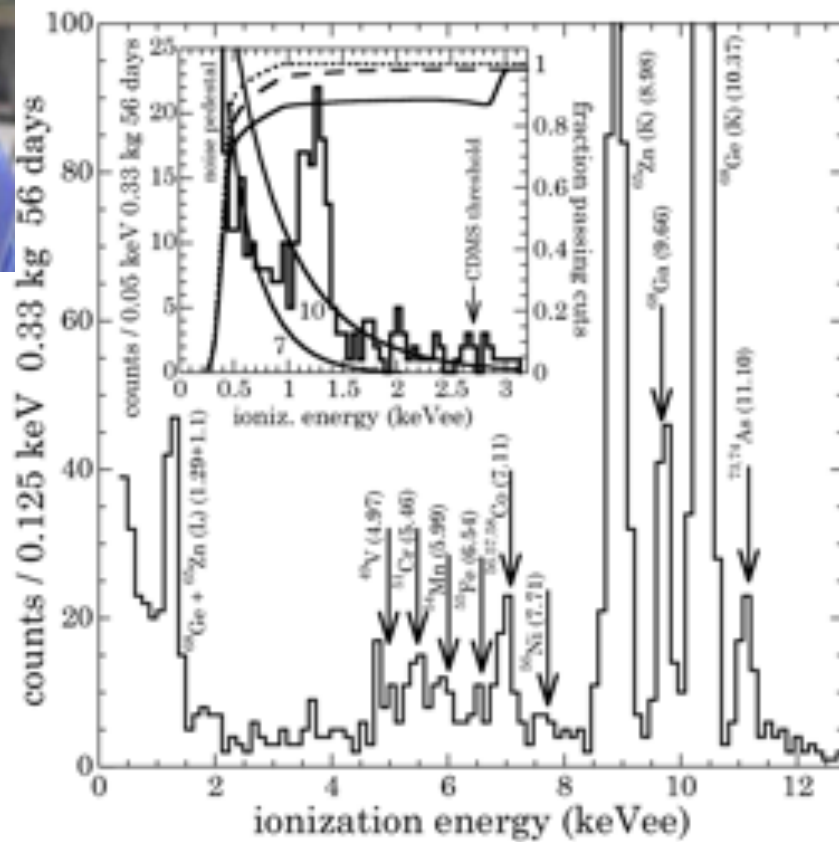
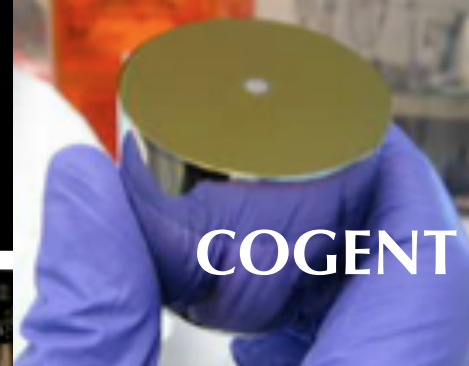
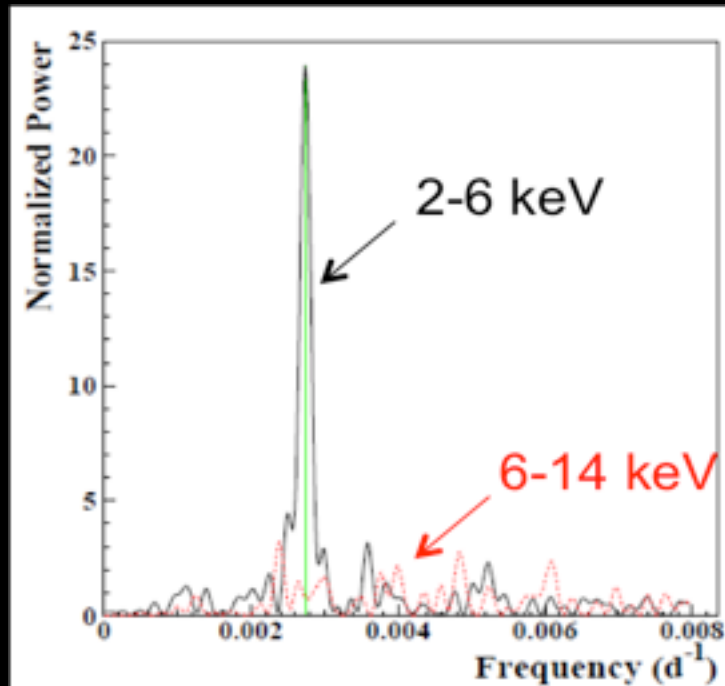
Ionization/Phonon yield



E_{recoil} (keV)

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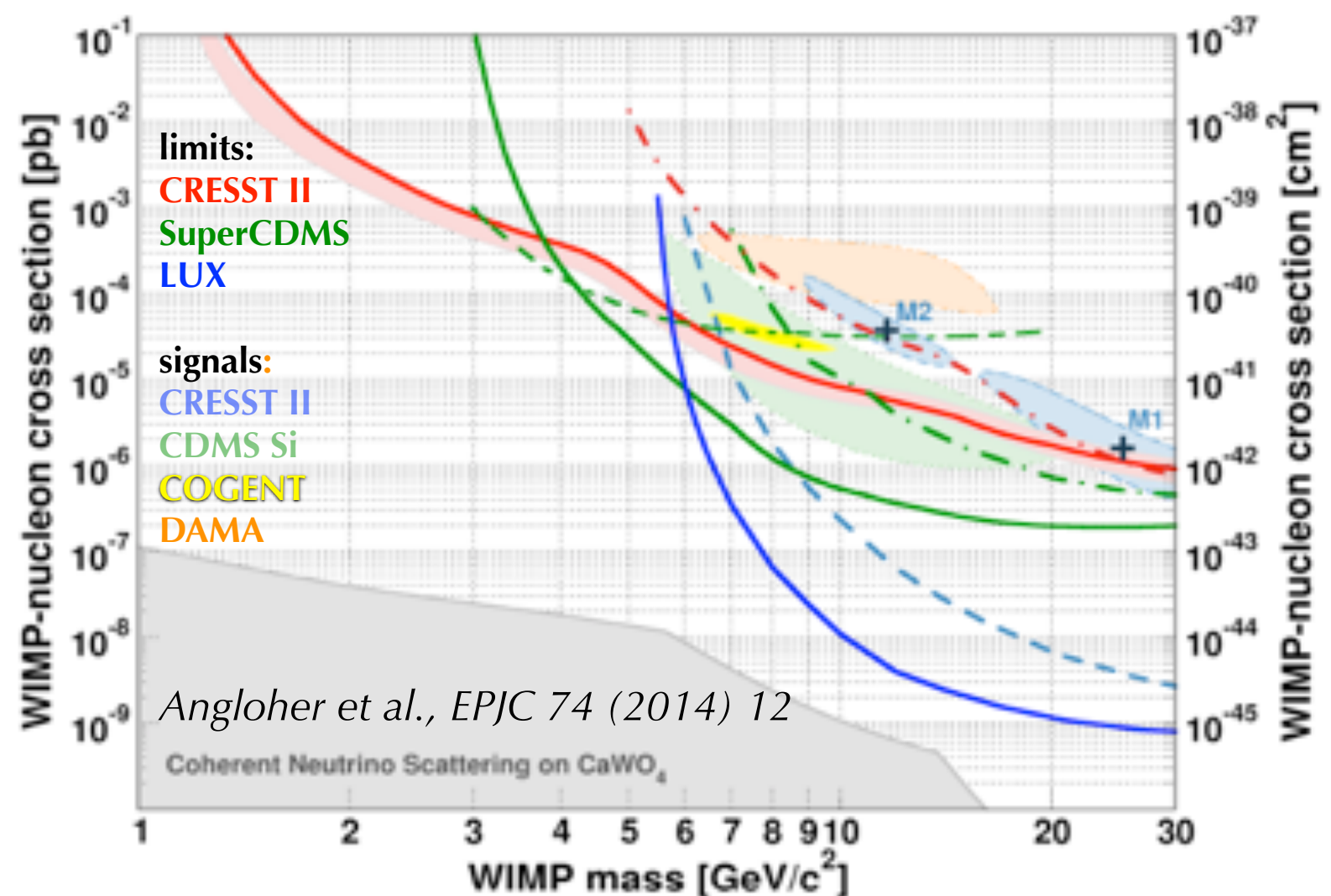


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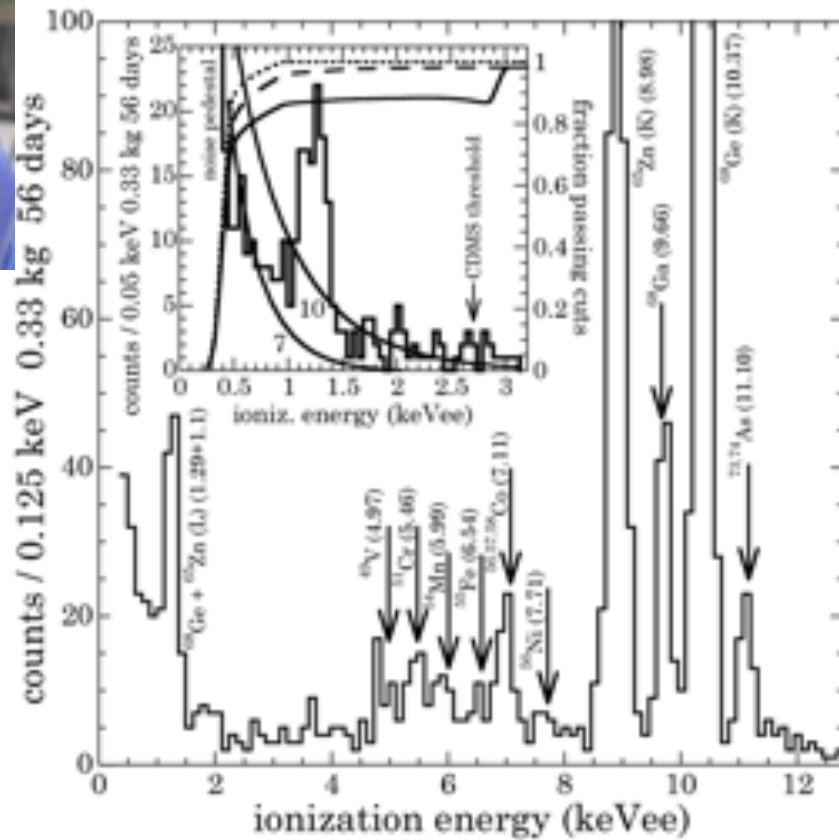
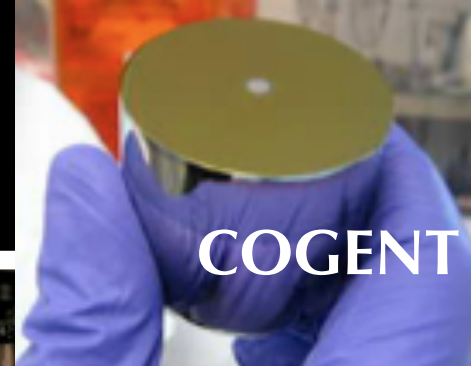
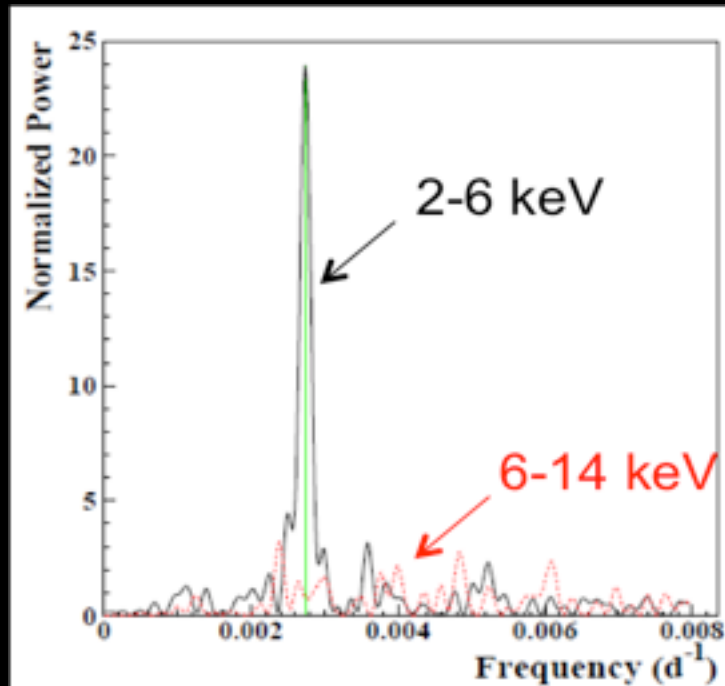
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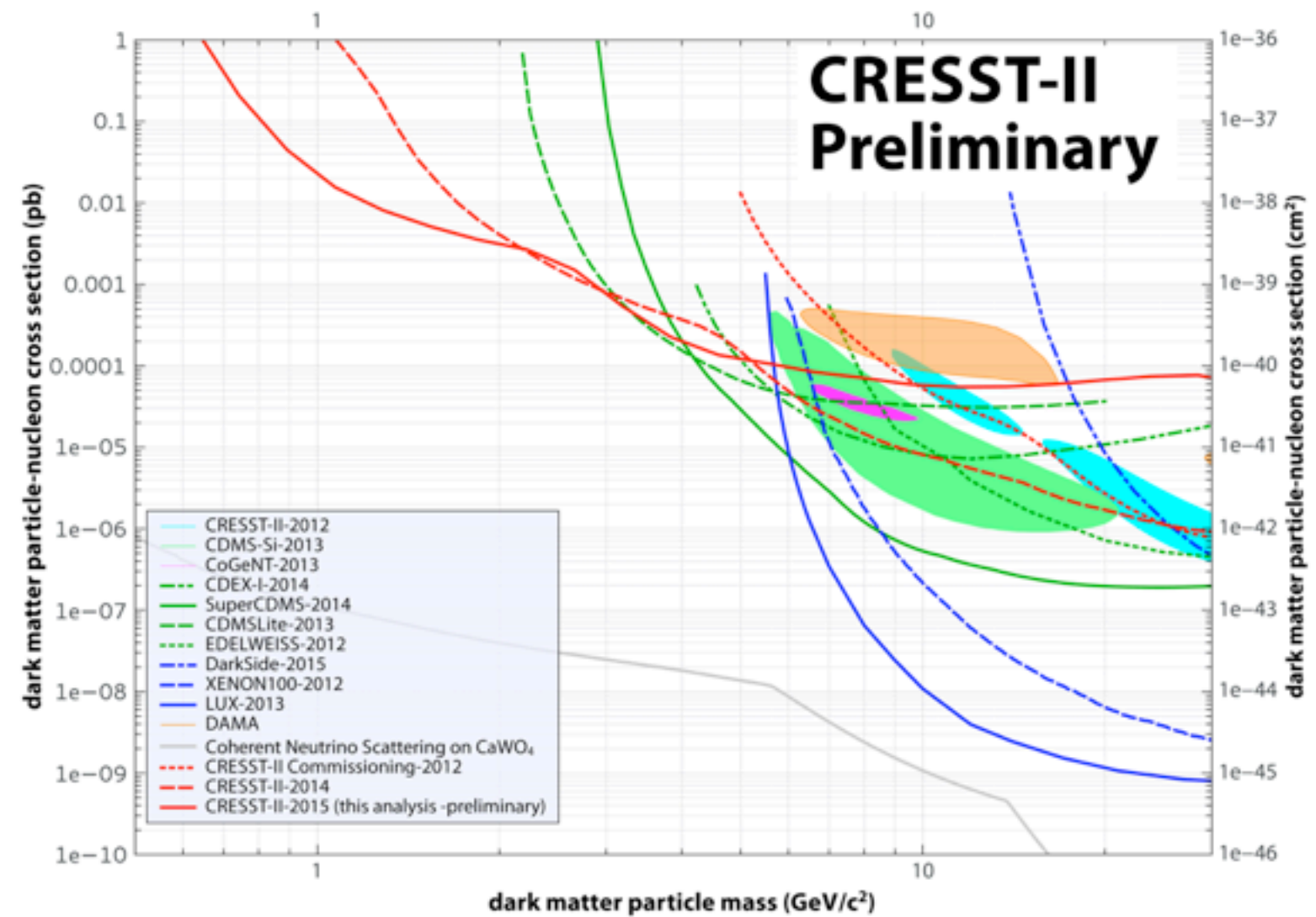
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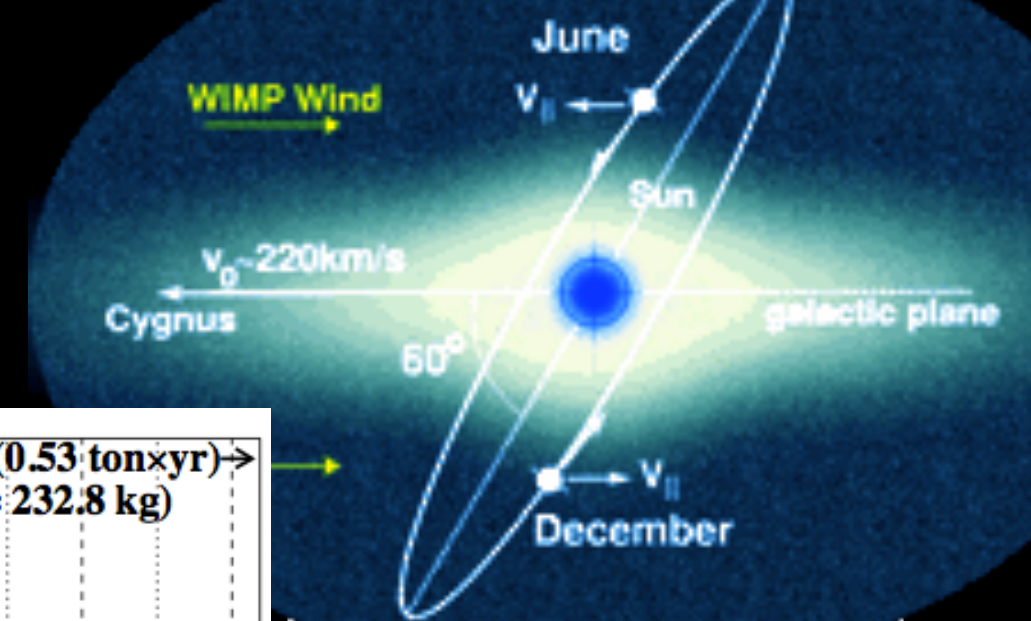
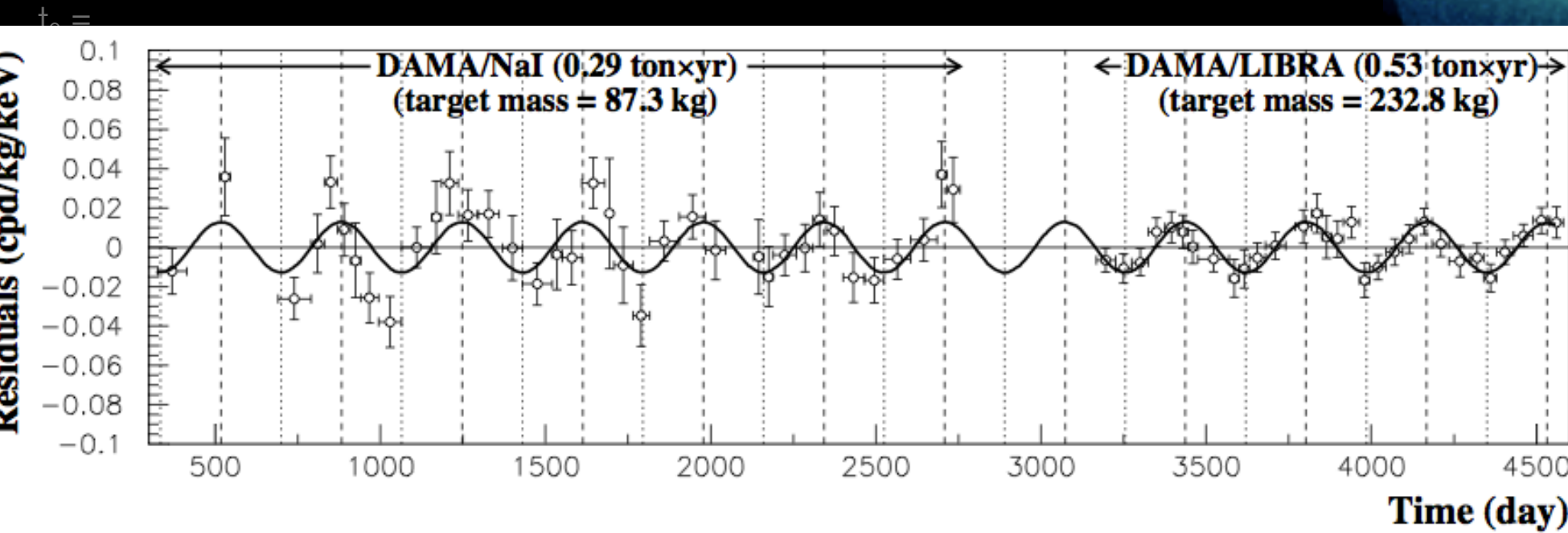
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New results! 7 kg-day, 0.3 keV threshold.



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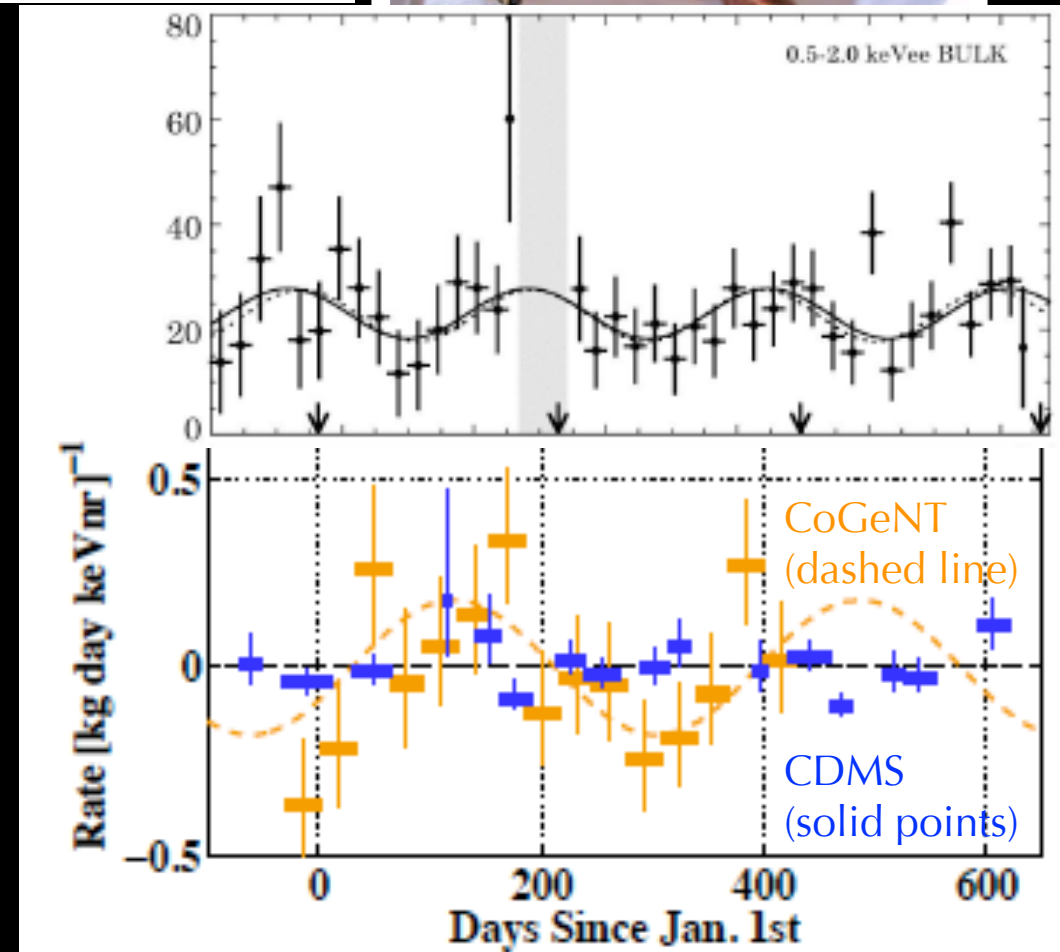
DAMA/LIBRA: measure (0.0112 ± 0.0012) cpd/kg/keV,
 $t_0 = (144 \pm 7)$ d in 1.33 T-yr.

COGENT: Ge, $\sim 2\sigma$ modulation reported. *arXiv:1401.3295*
C-4 experiment follow-up.

MALBEK: Ge, no excess reported. *J. Wilkerson UCLADM'14*

CDMS: Ge, no modulation, at 98.3% CL, *arXiv:1203.1309*

KIMS: CsI (104.3 kg at YangYang), no modulation observed.
J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 384 (2012) 012020

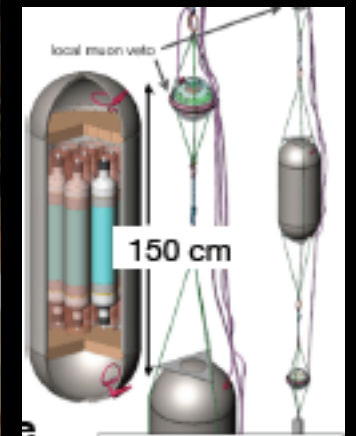
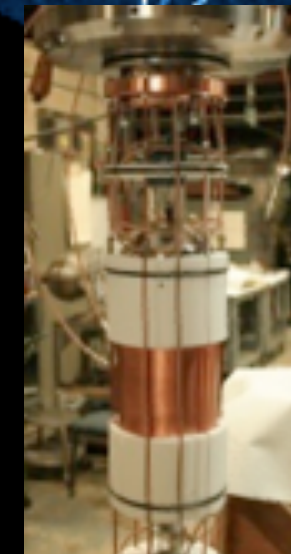
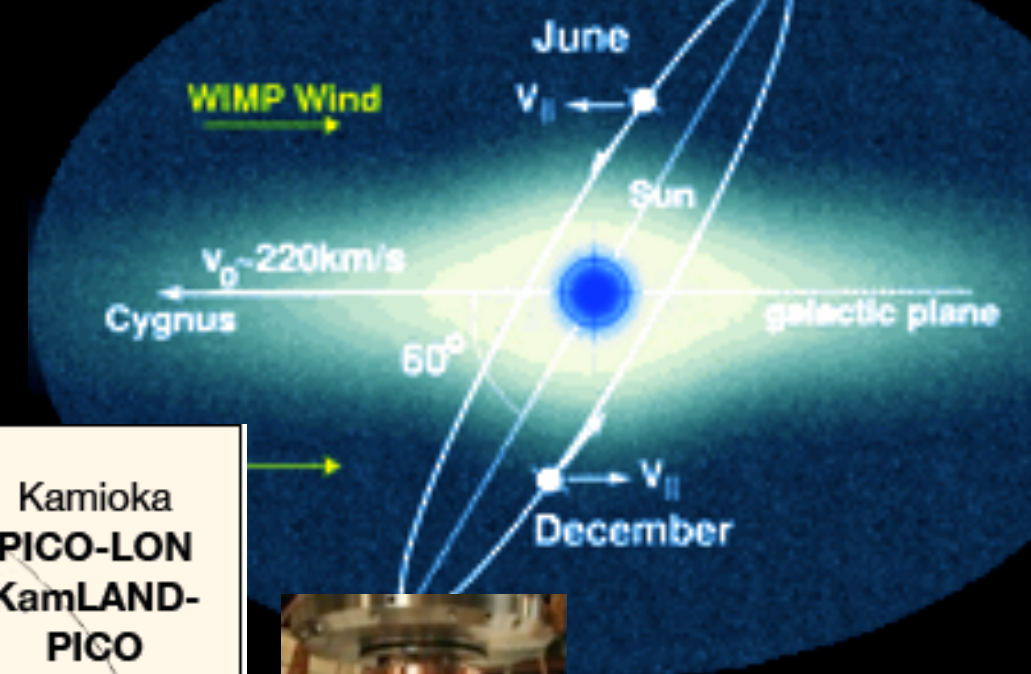


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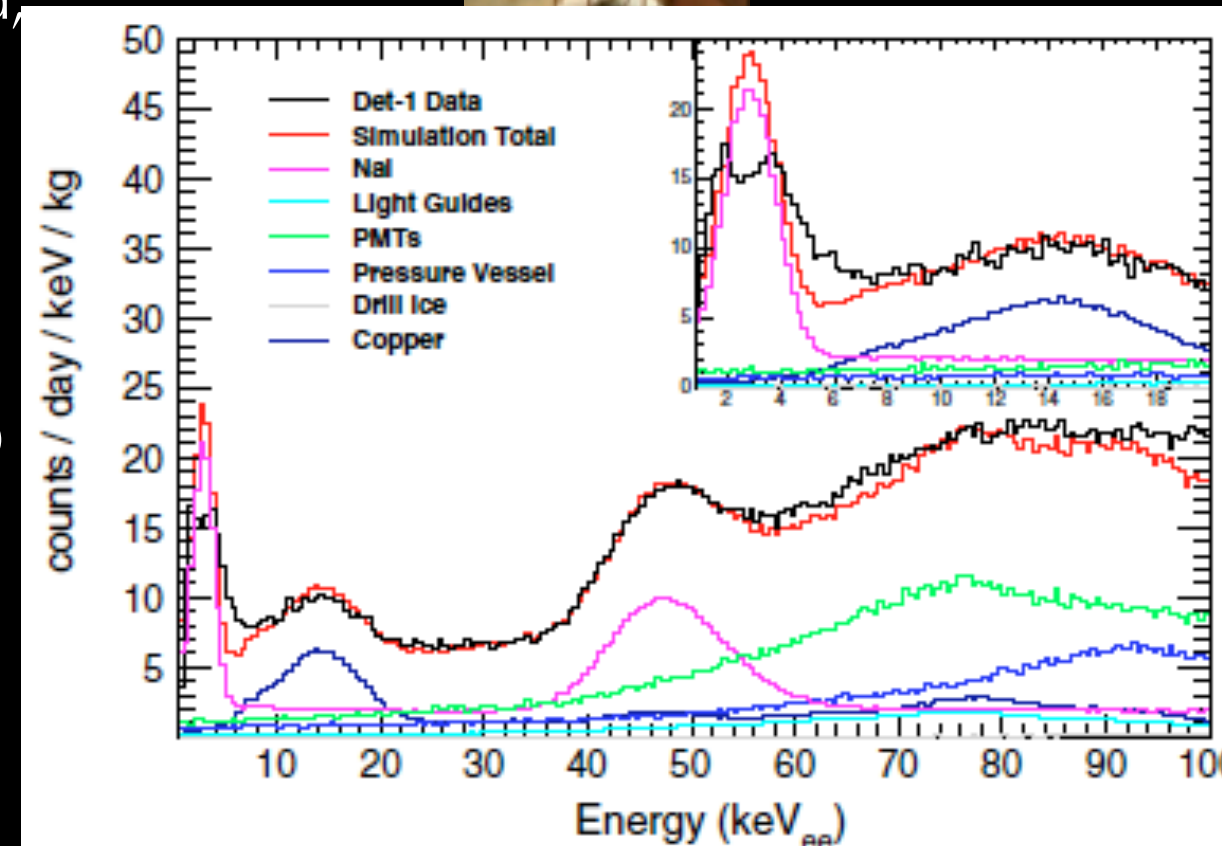


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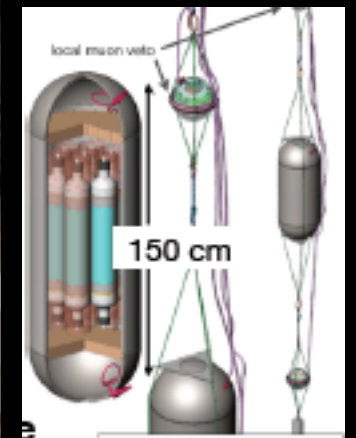
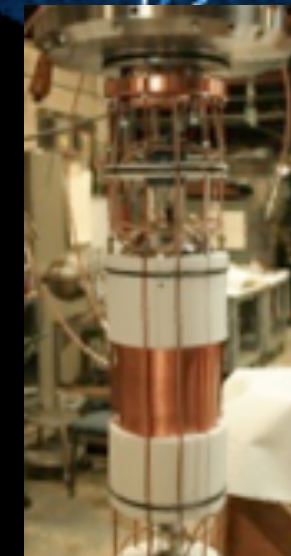
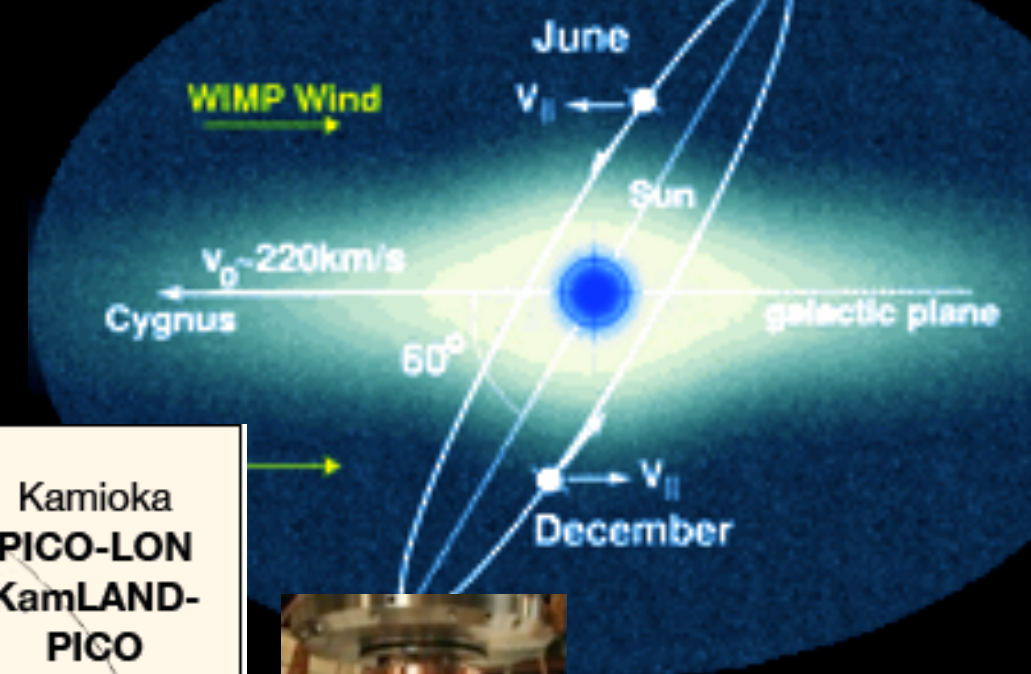


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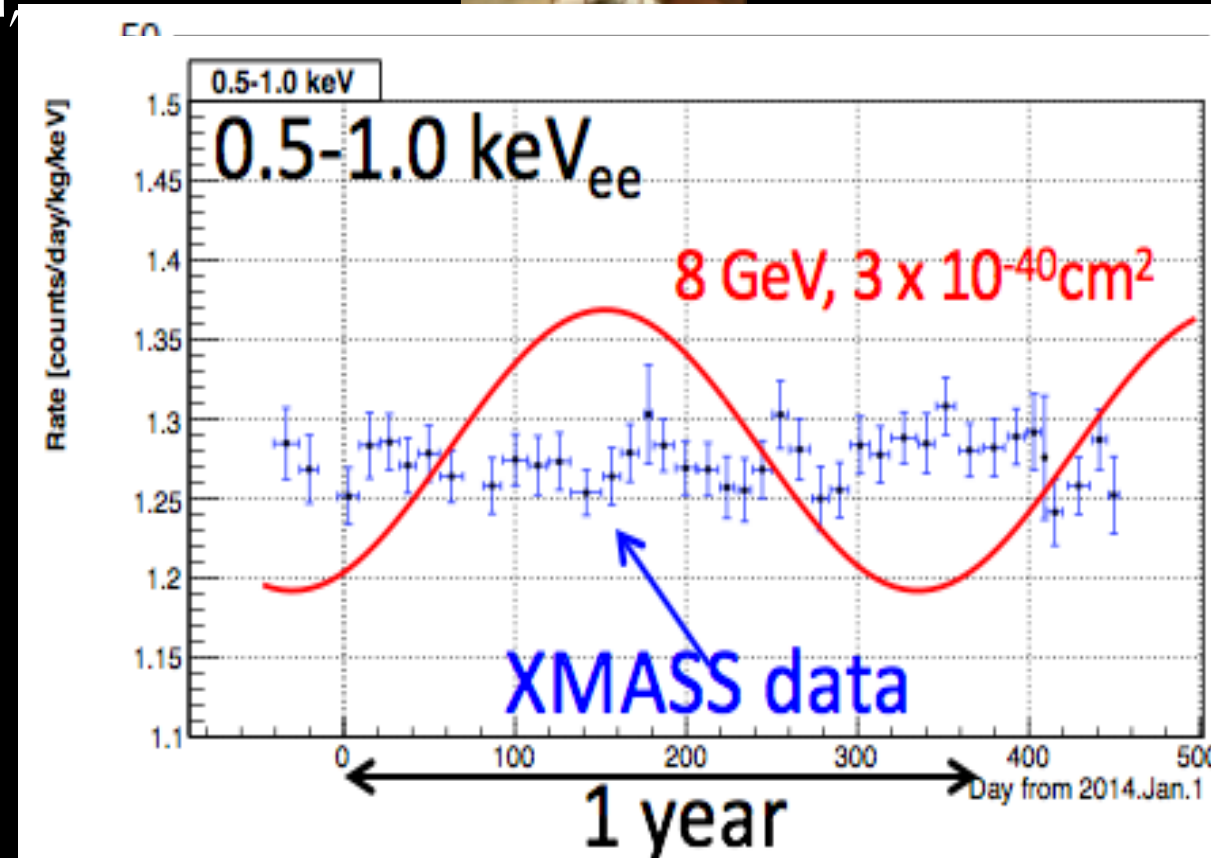


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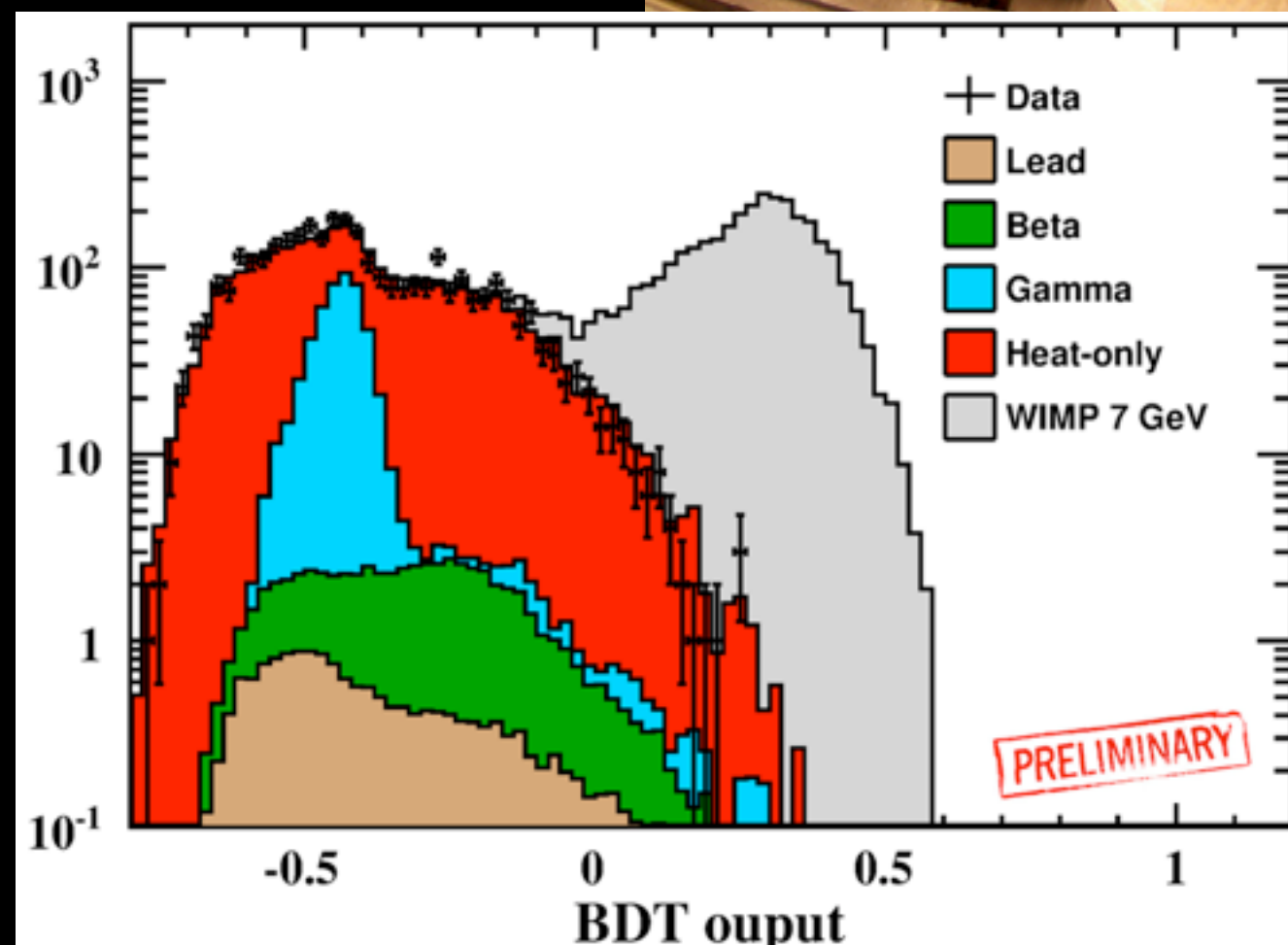
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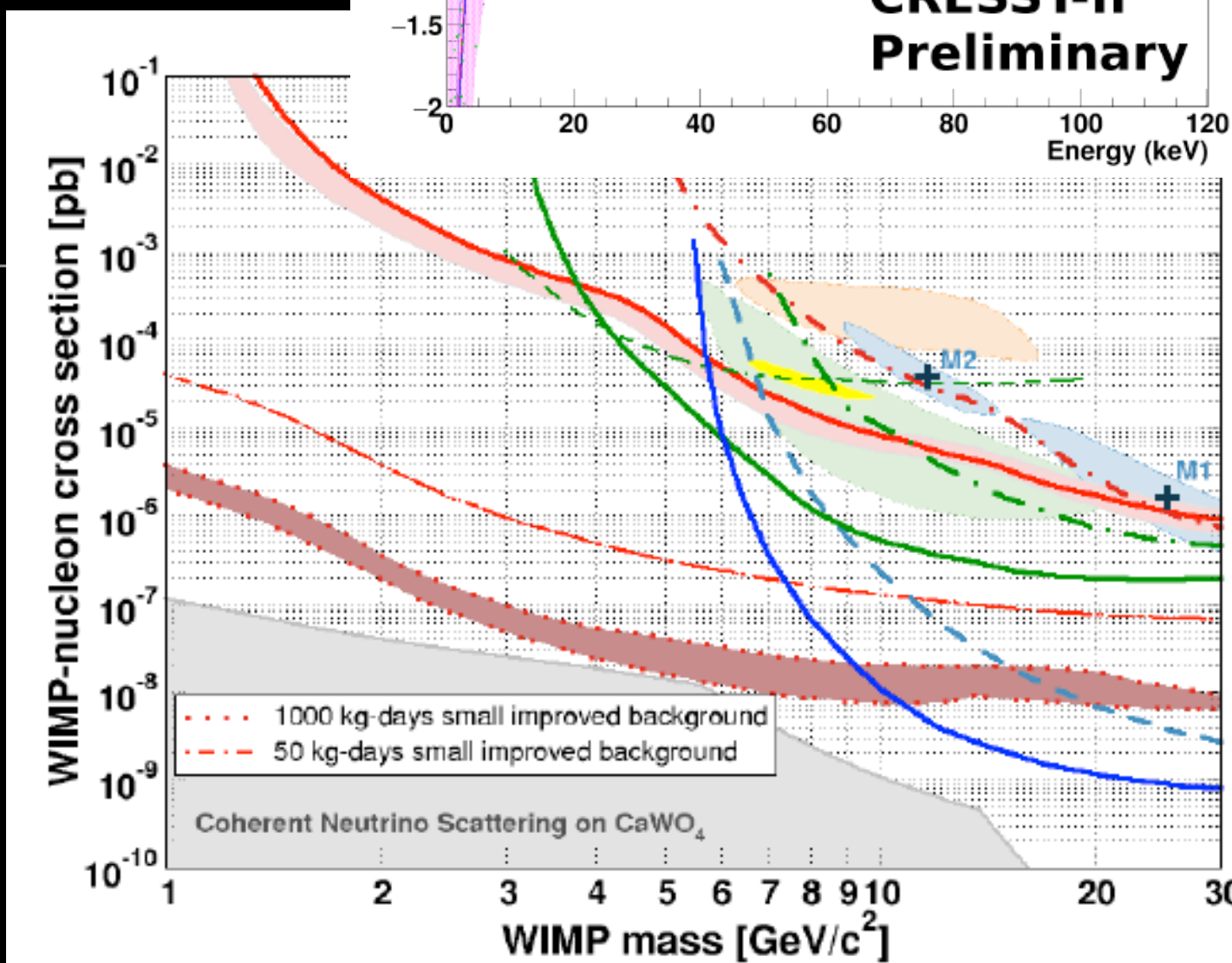
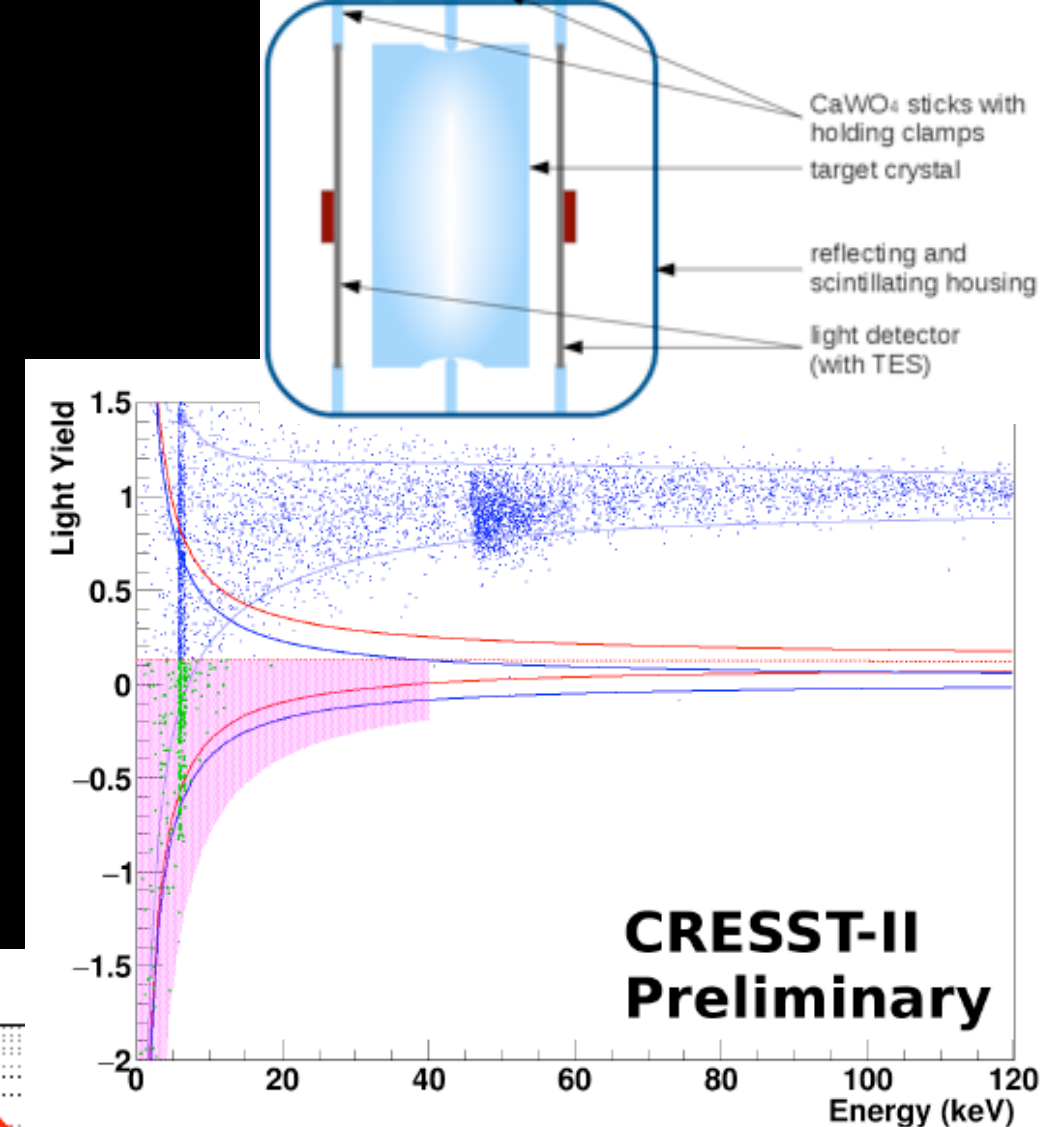
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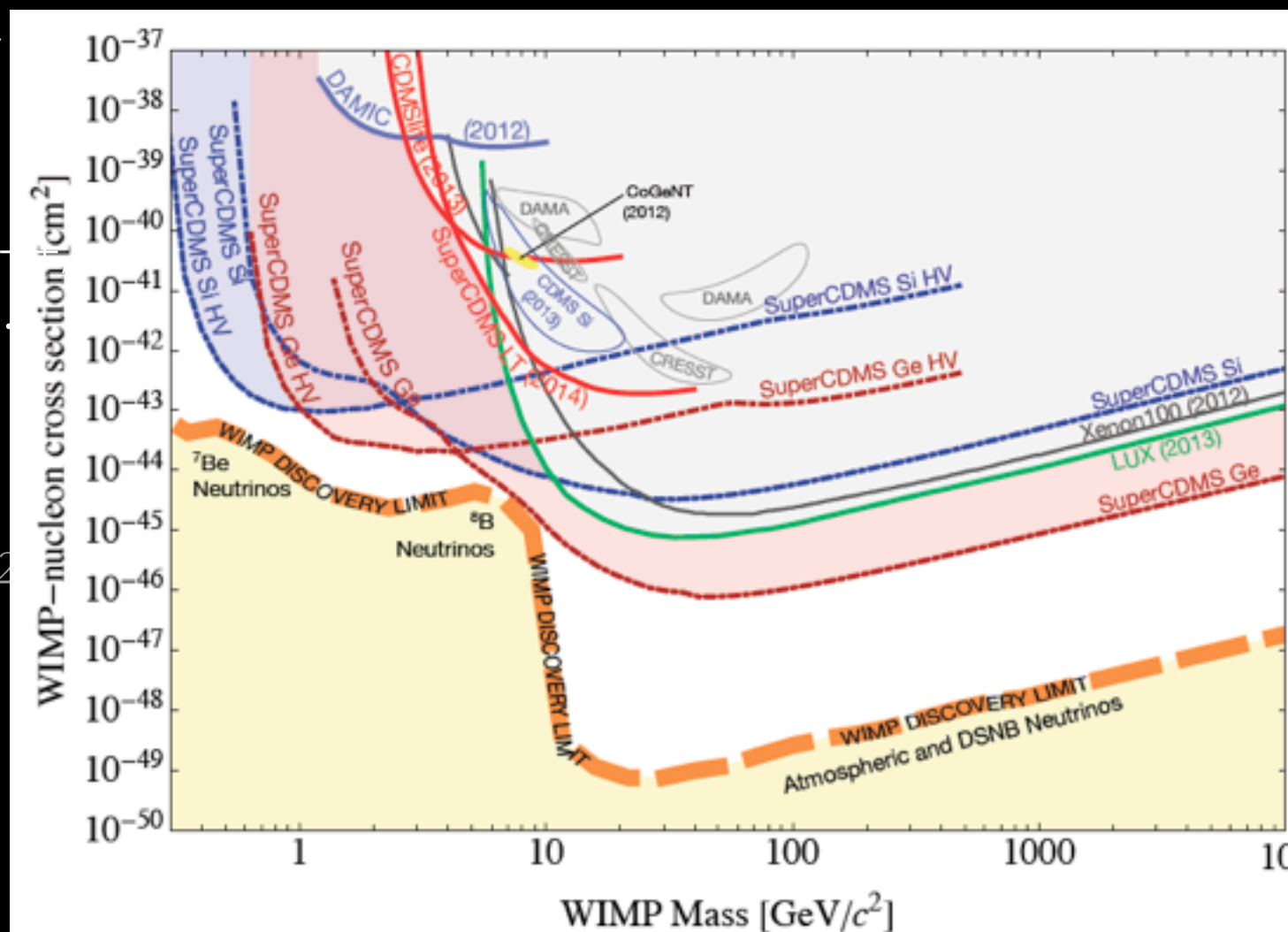
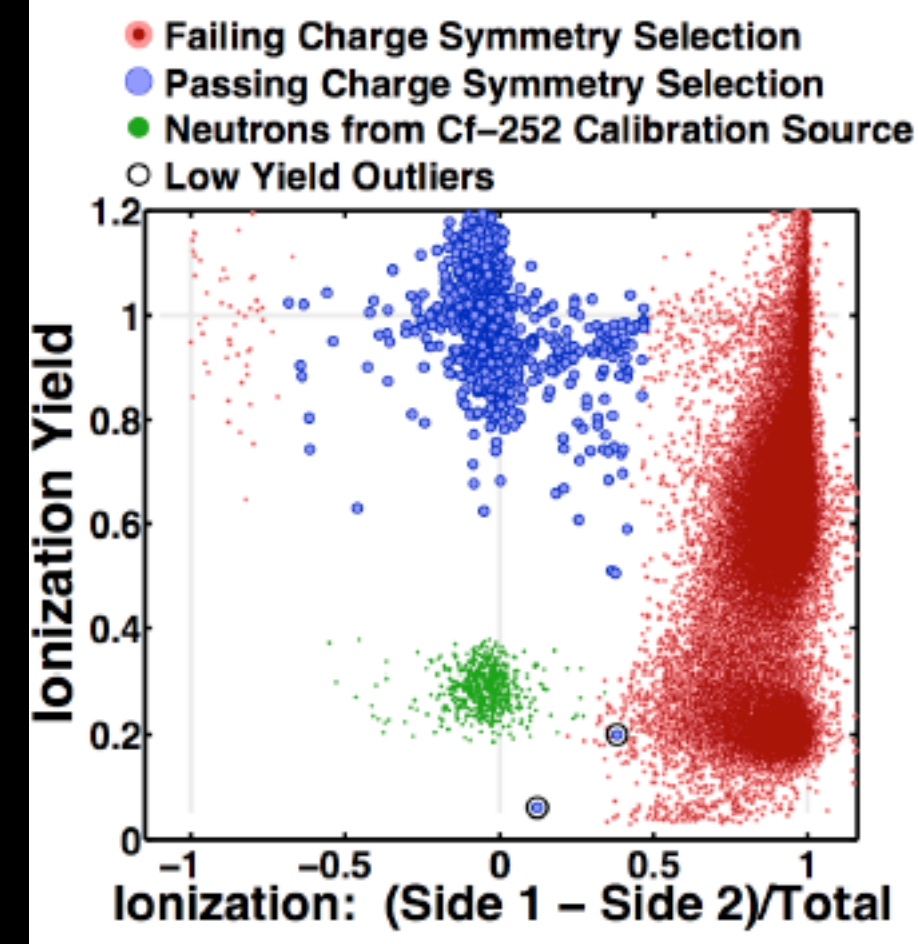
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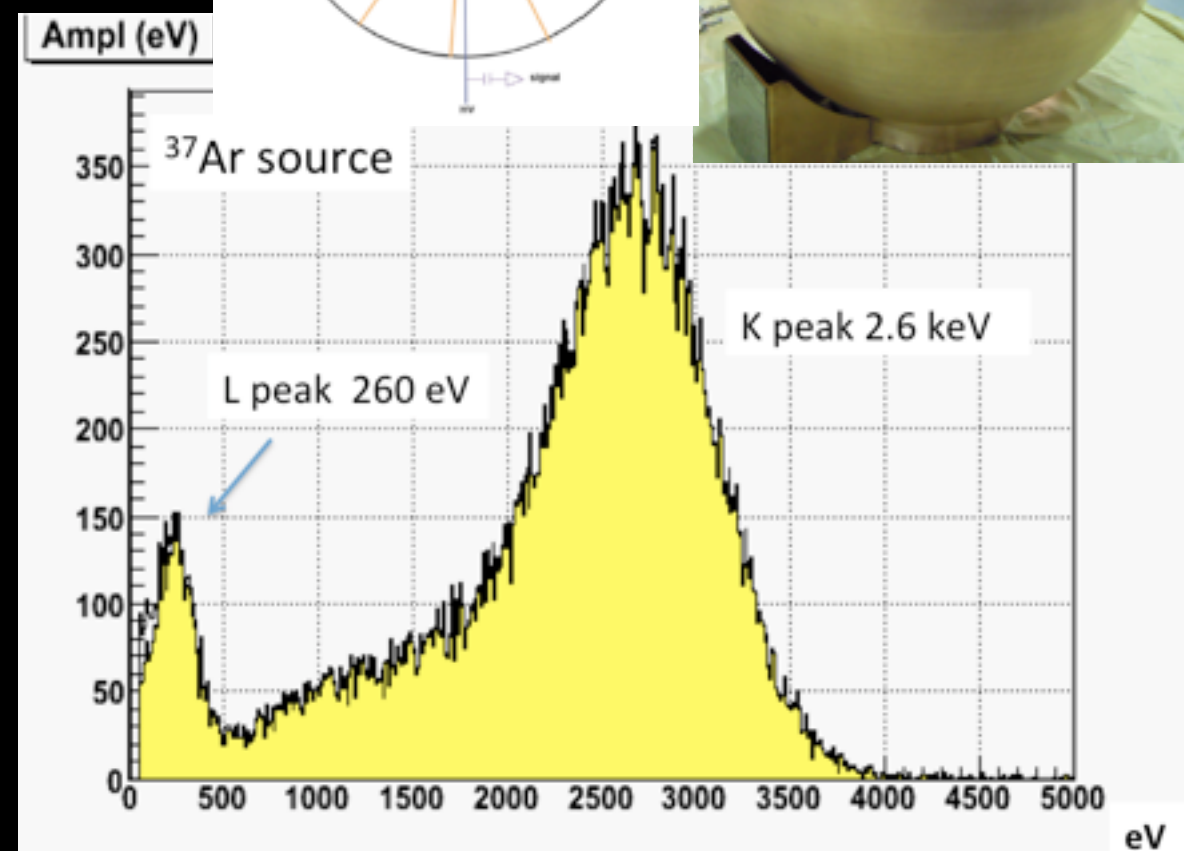
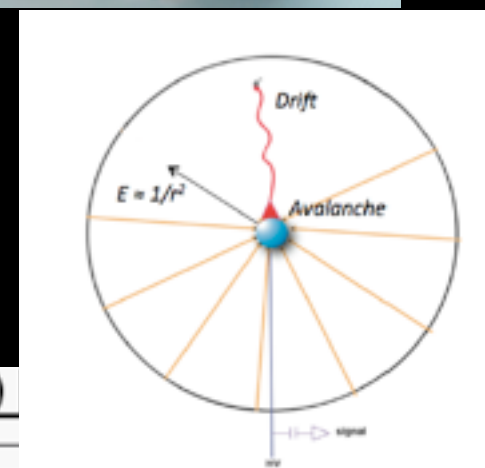
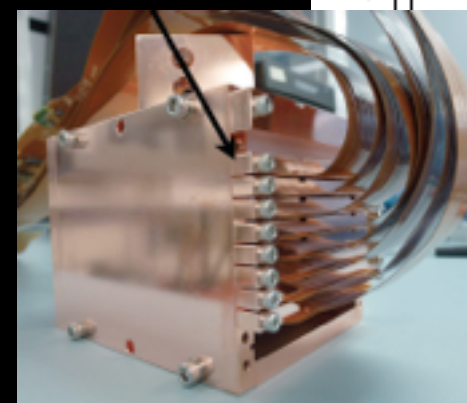
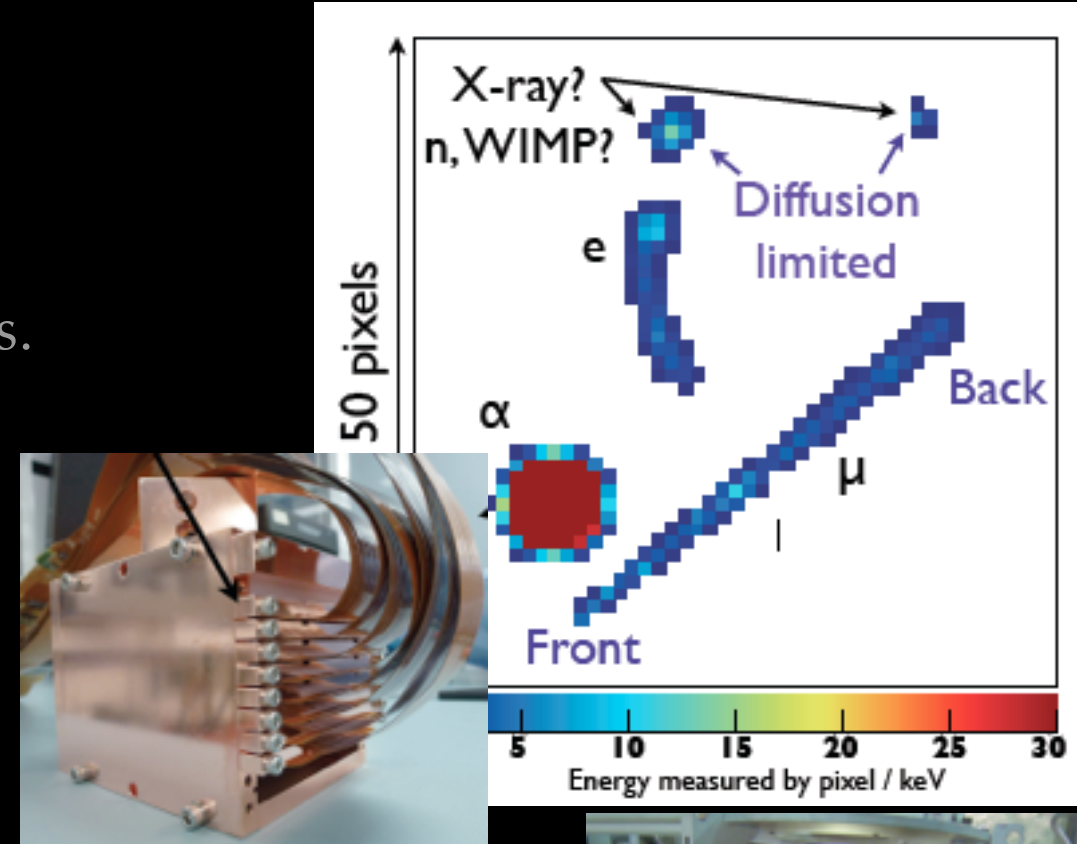
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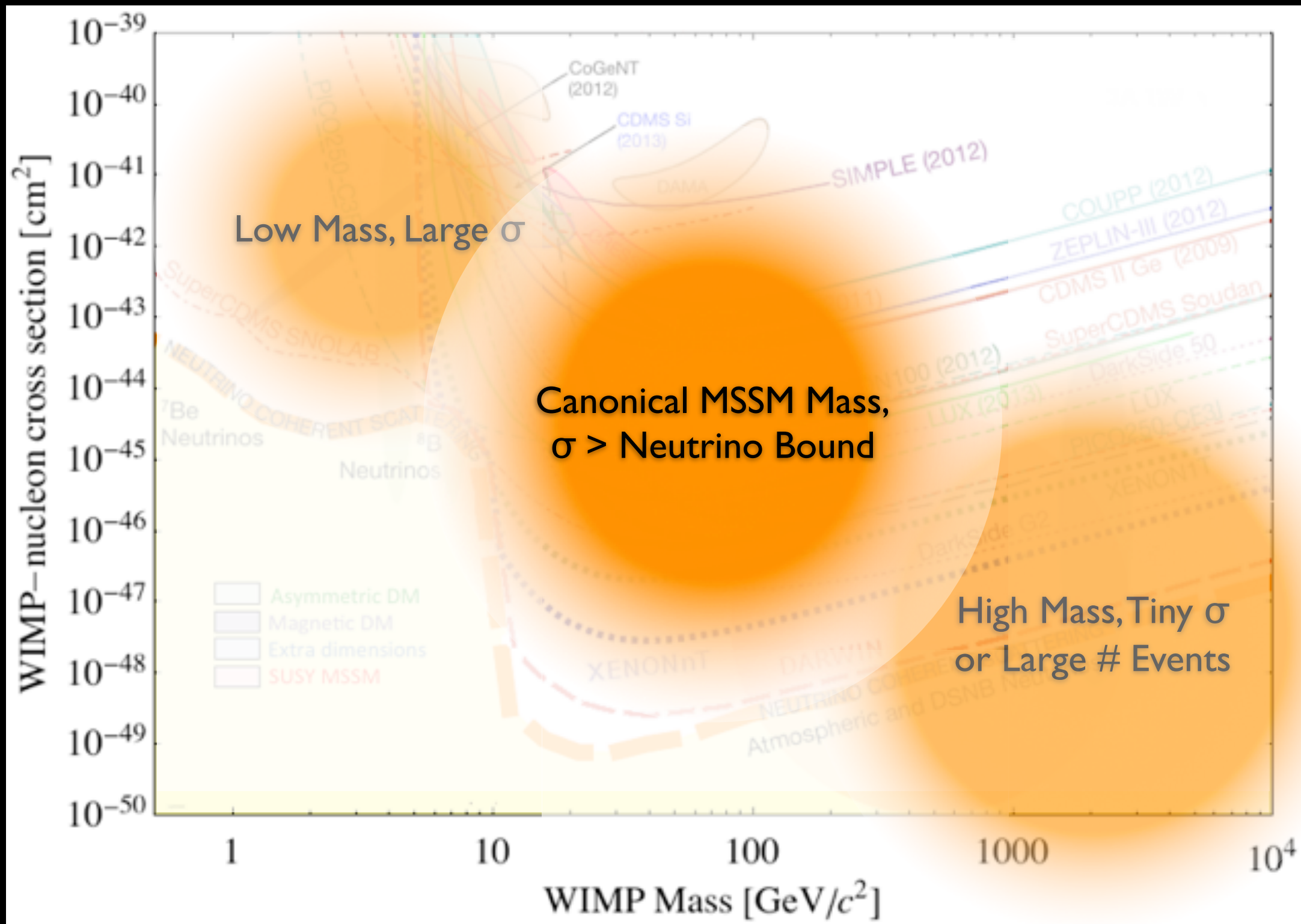
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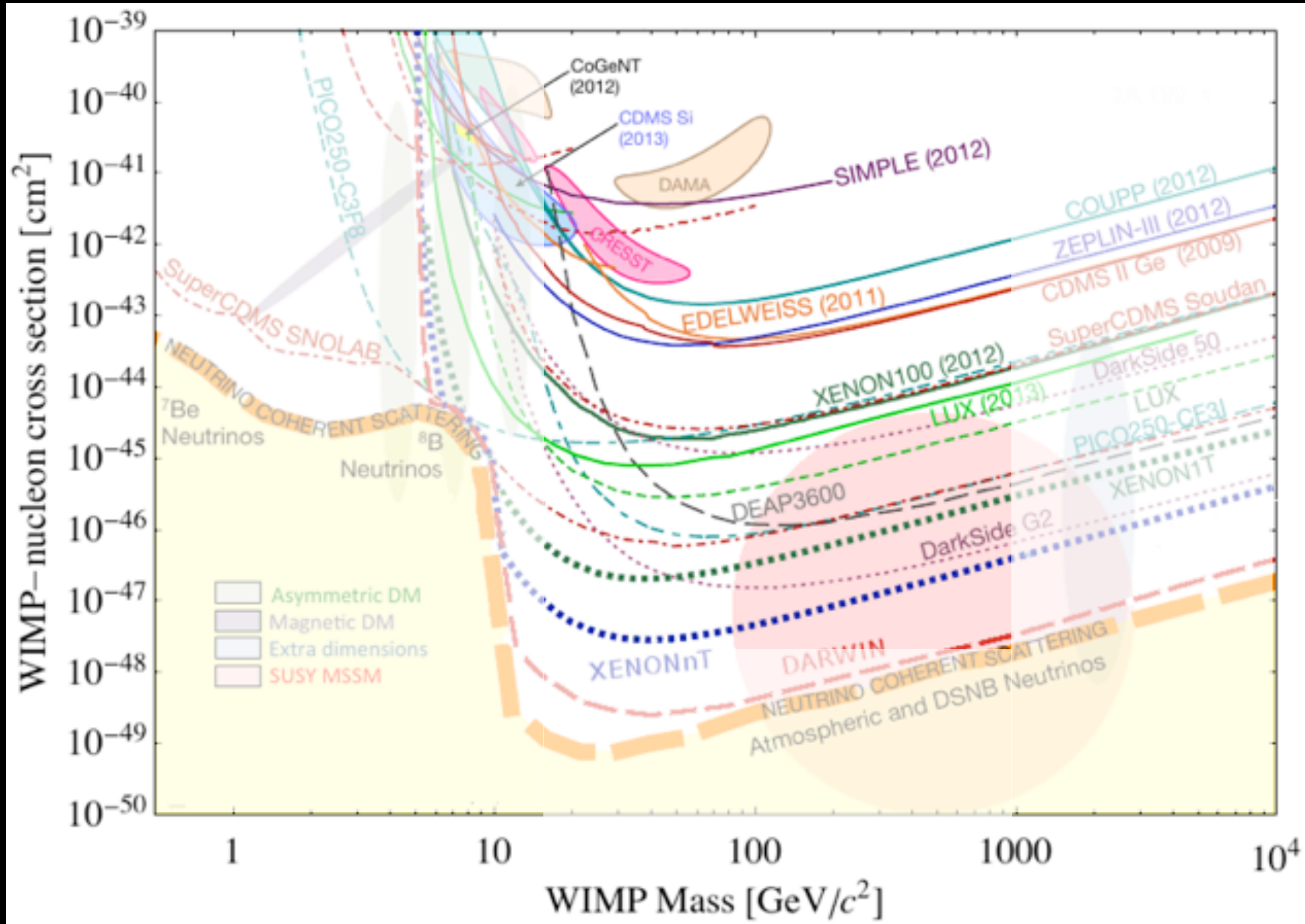


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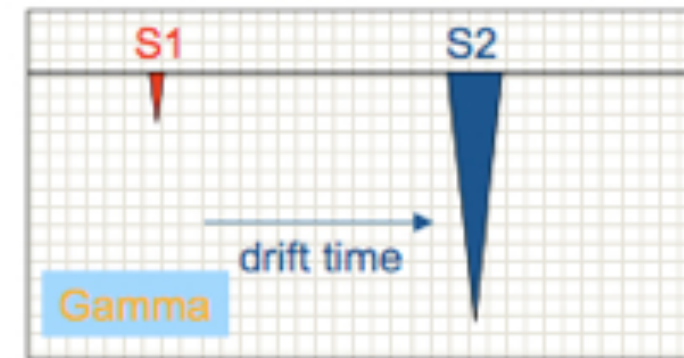
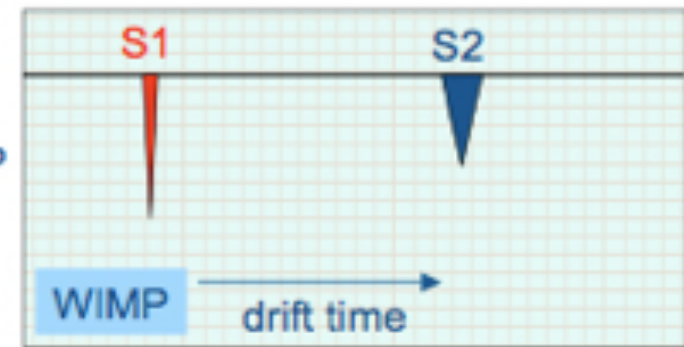
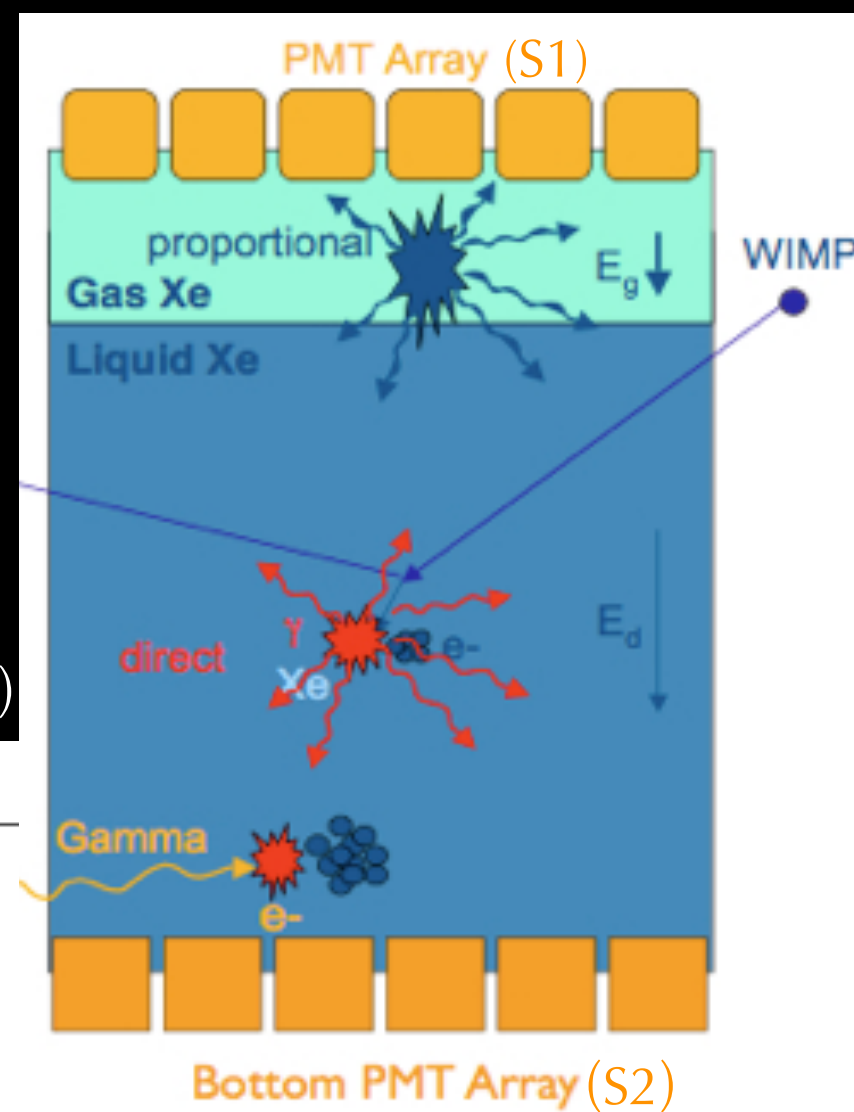
target volume viewed by PMT arrays:

“S1”: amplified, drifted ionization signal

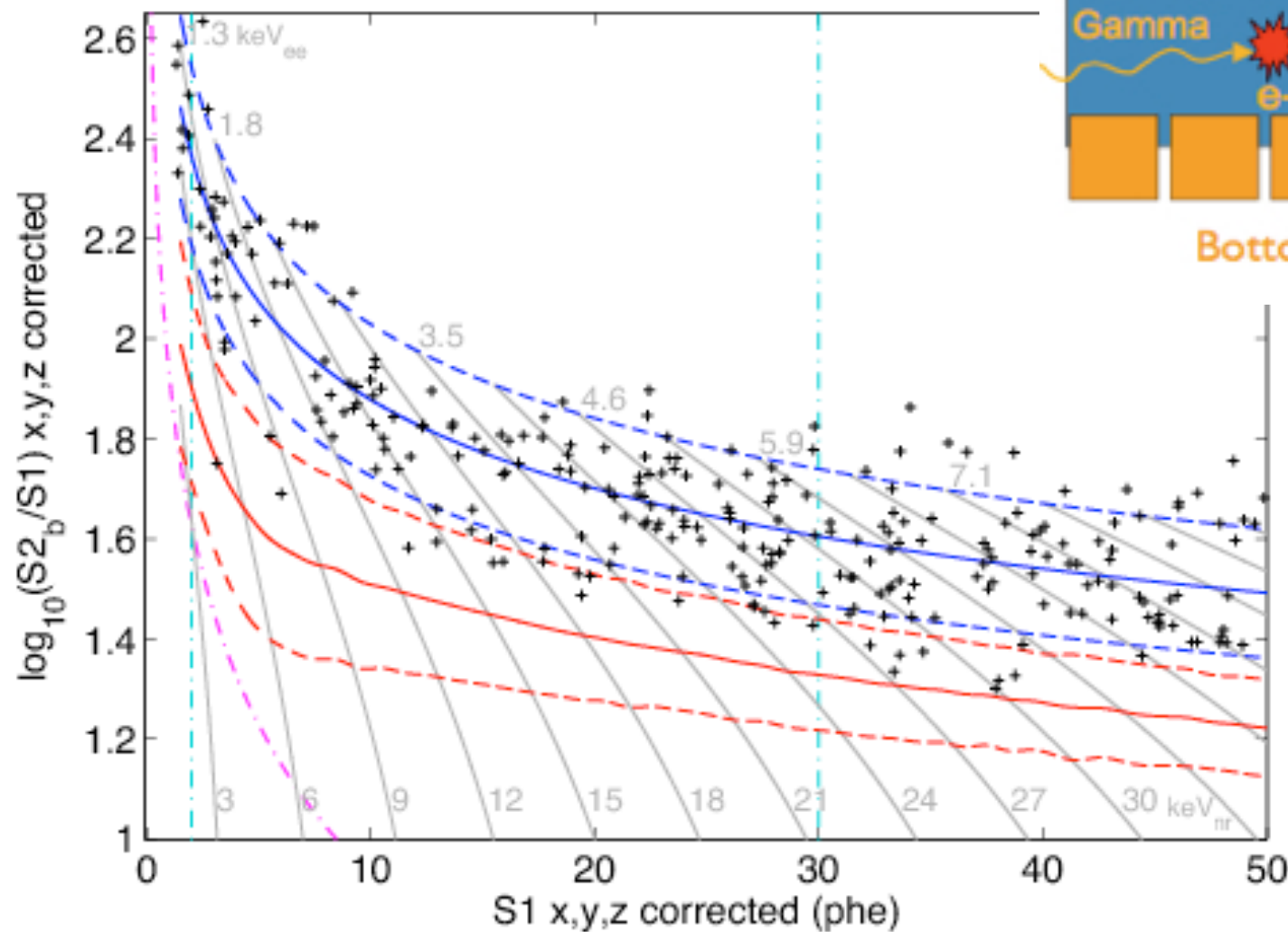
“S2”: primary scintillation

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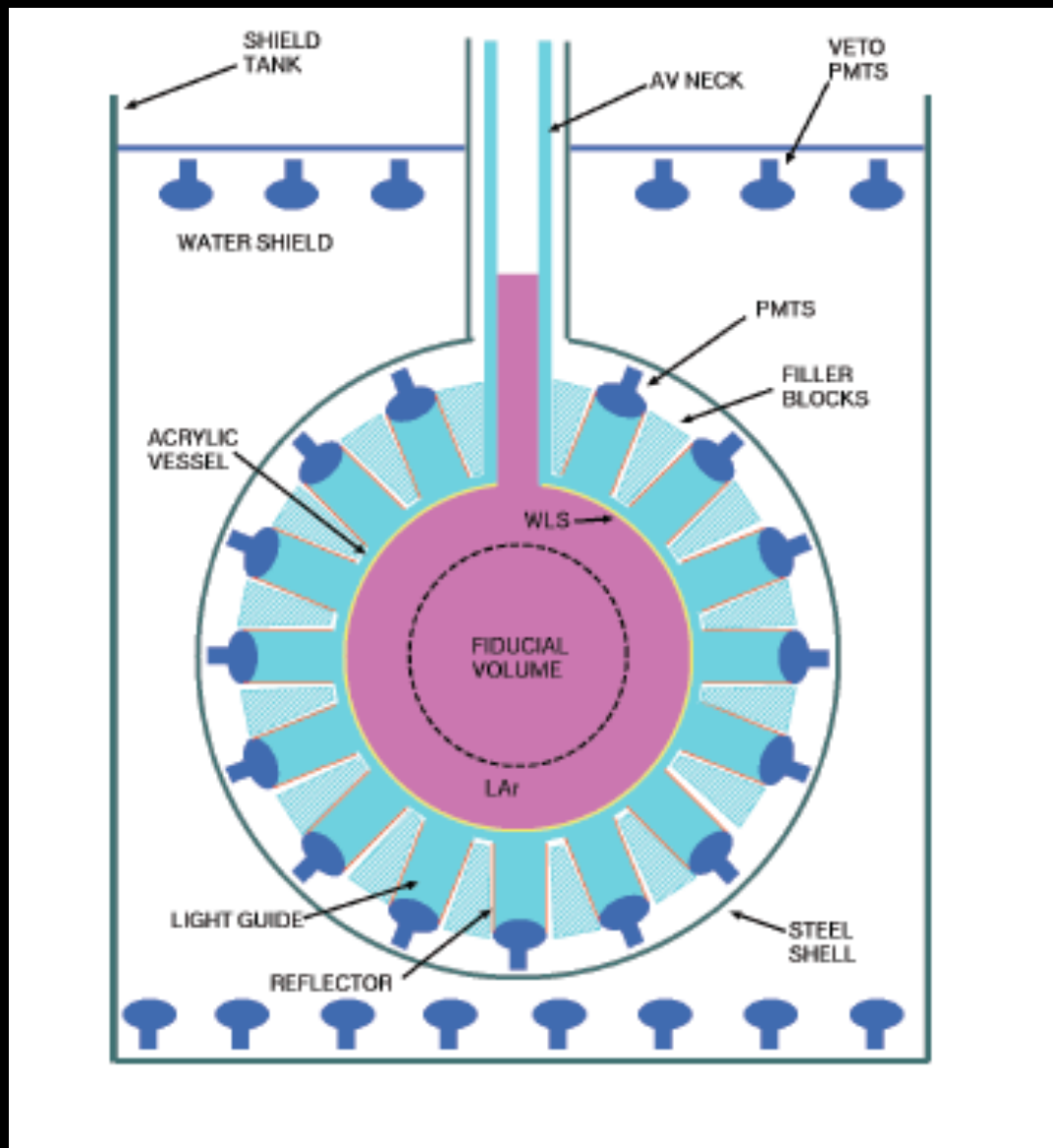
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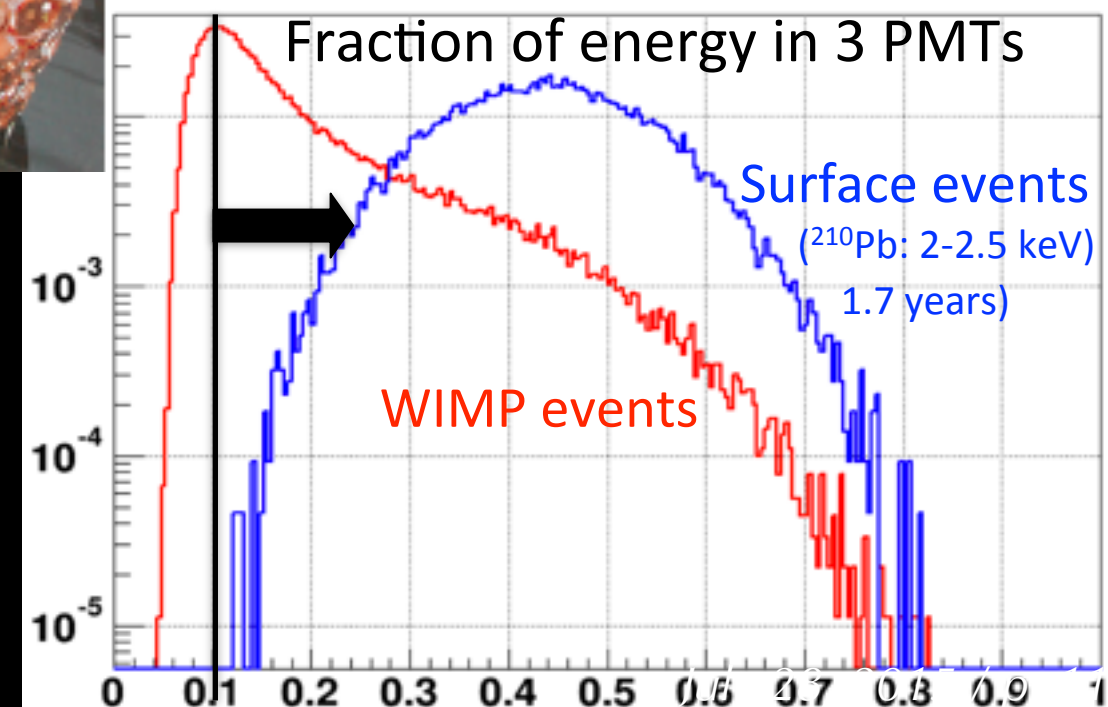
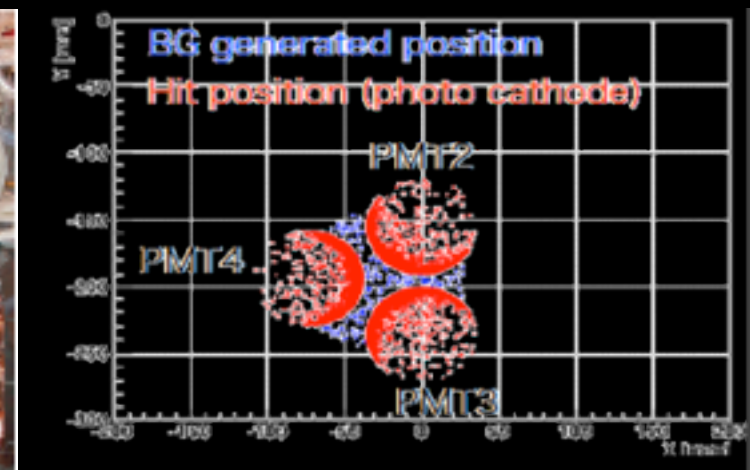
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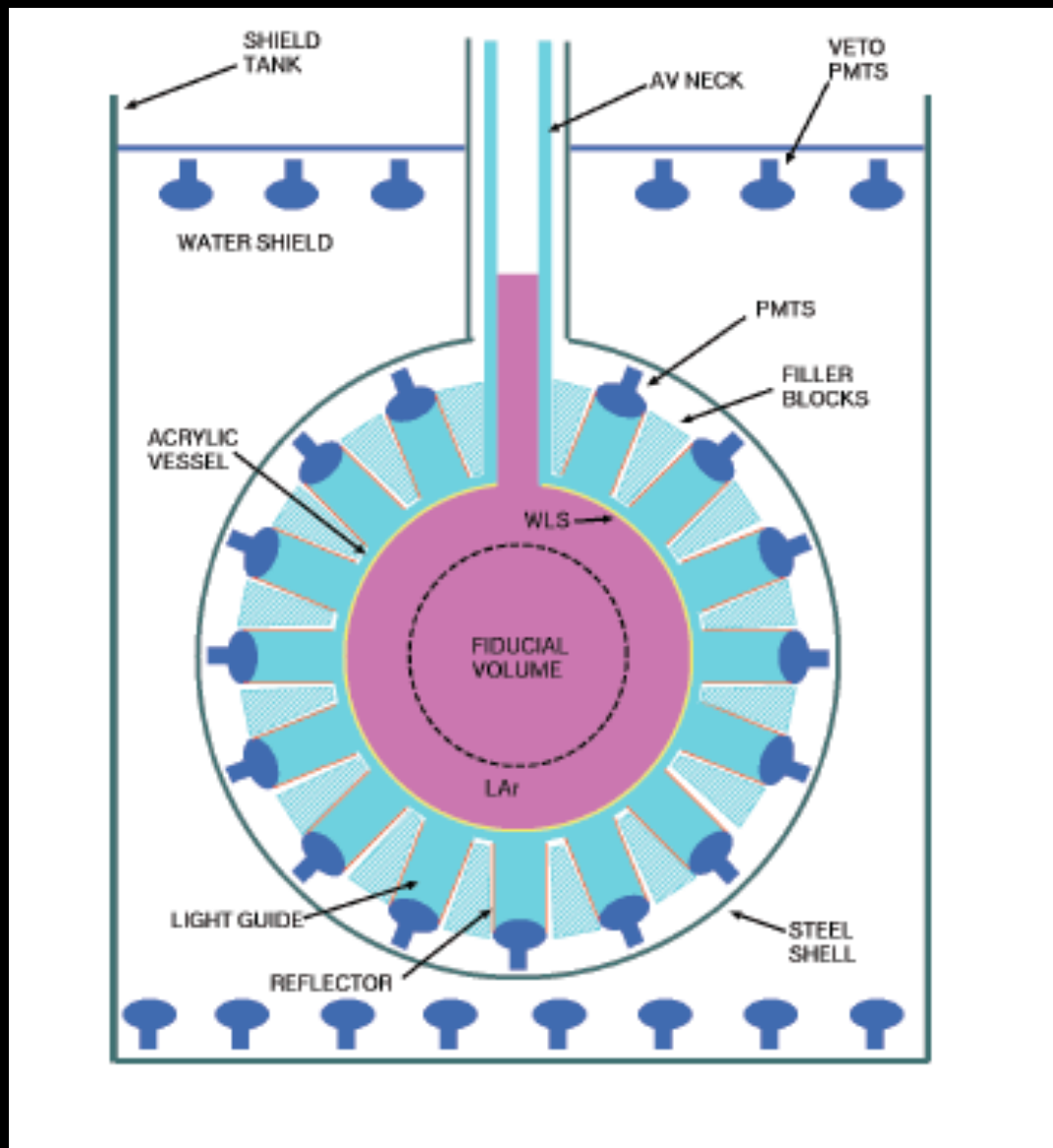
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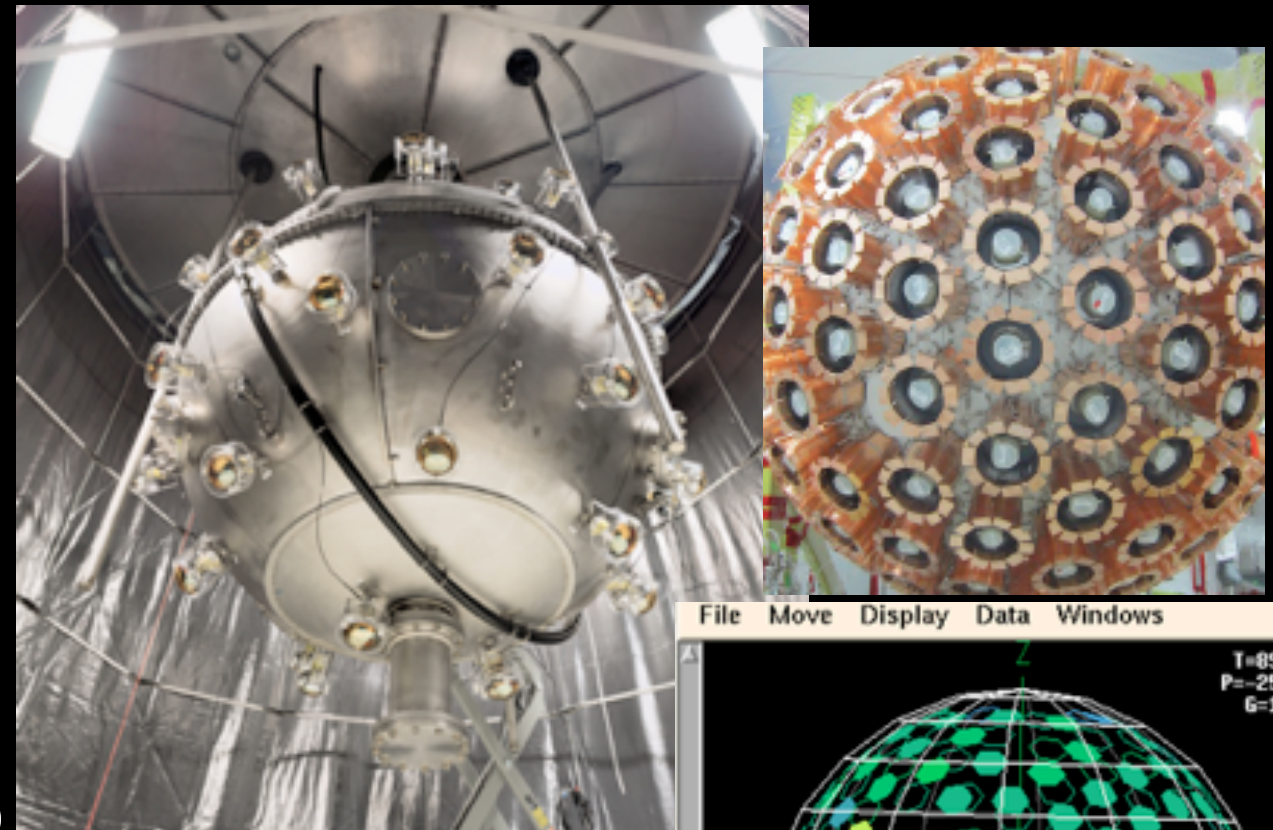
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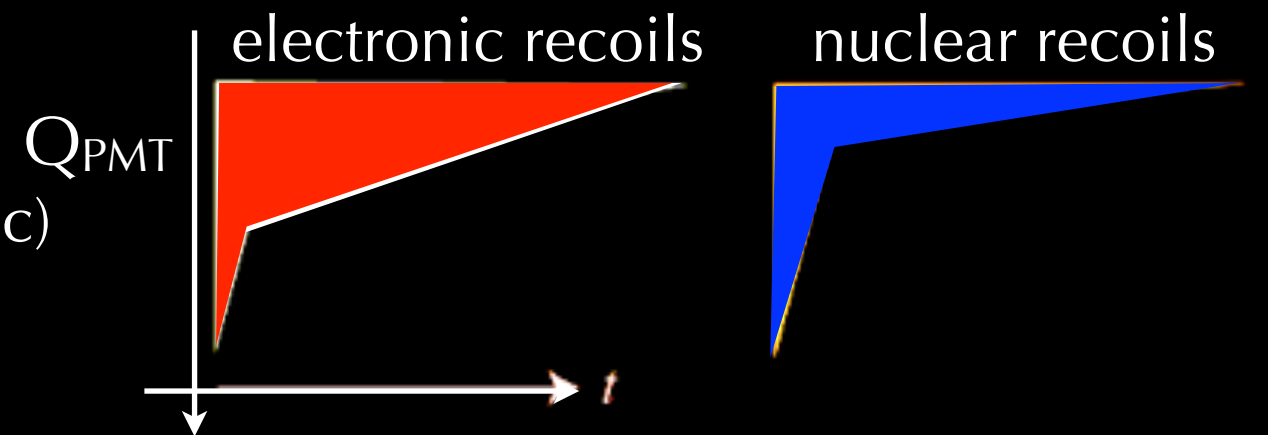
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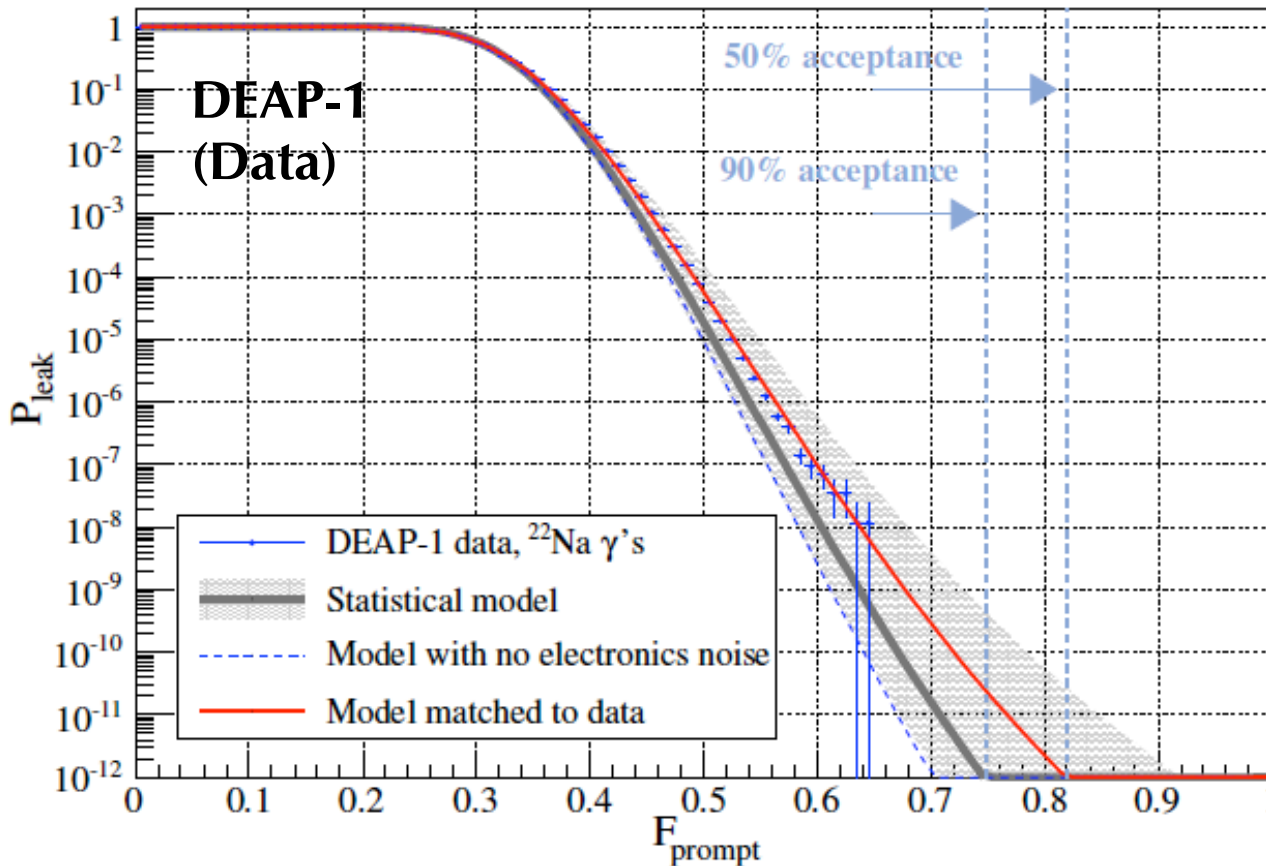
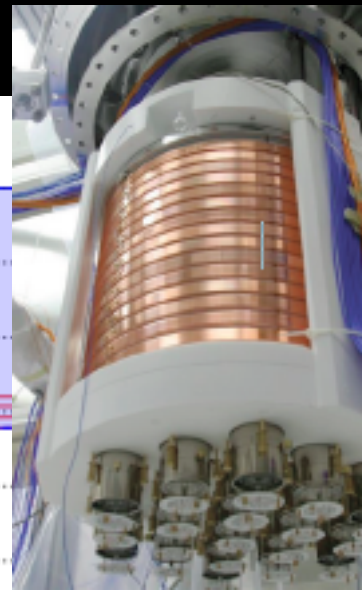
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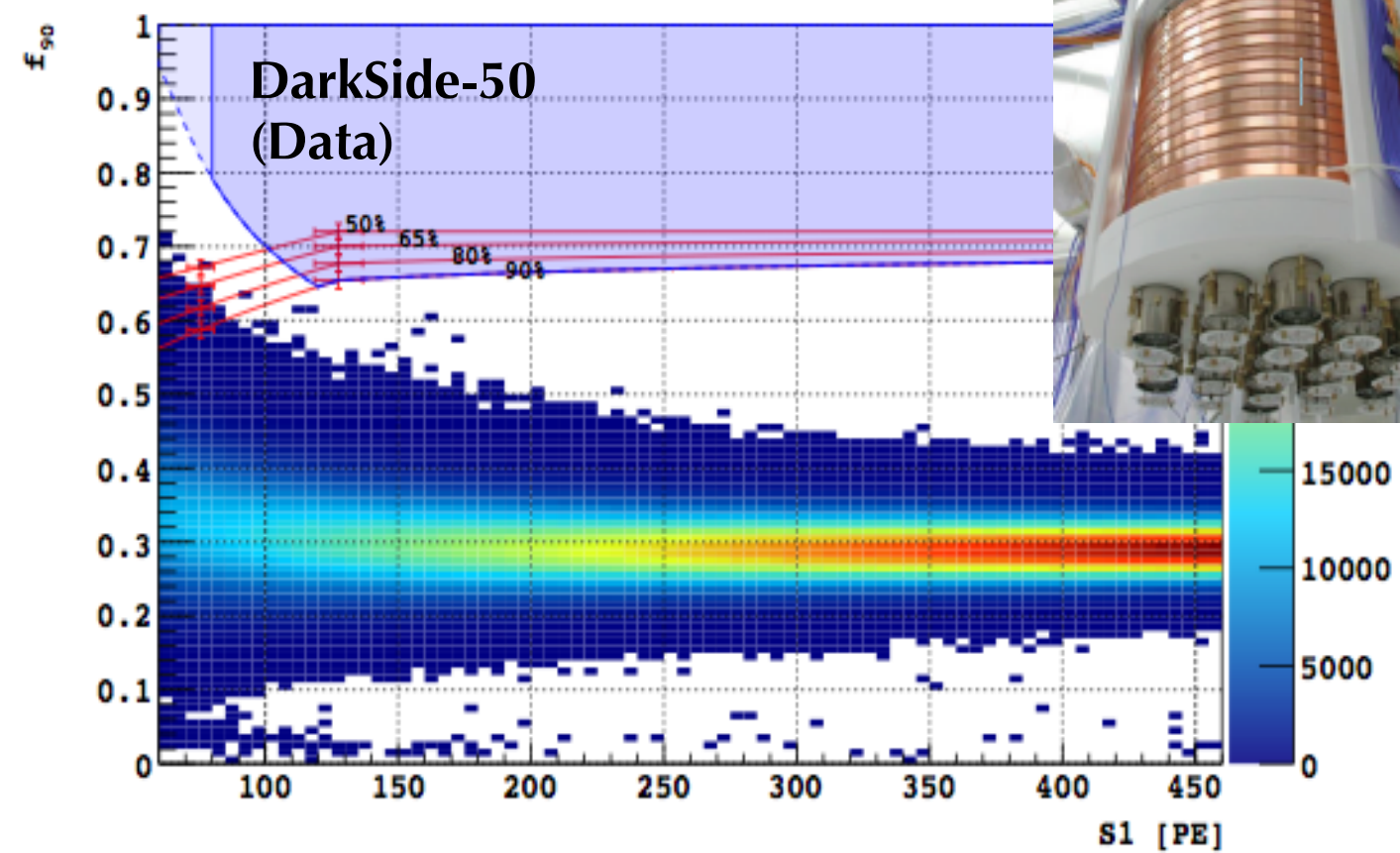
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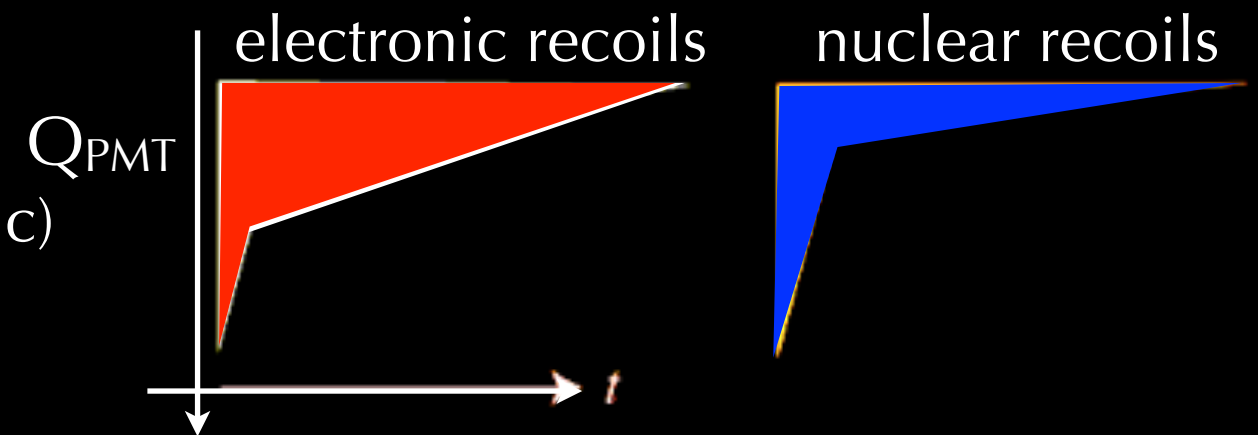
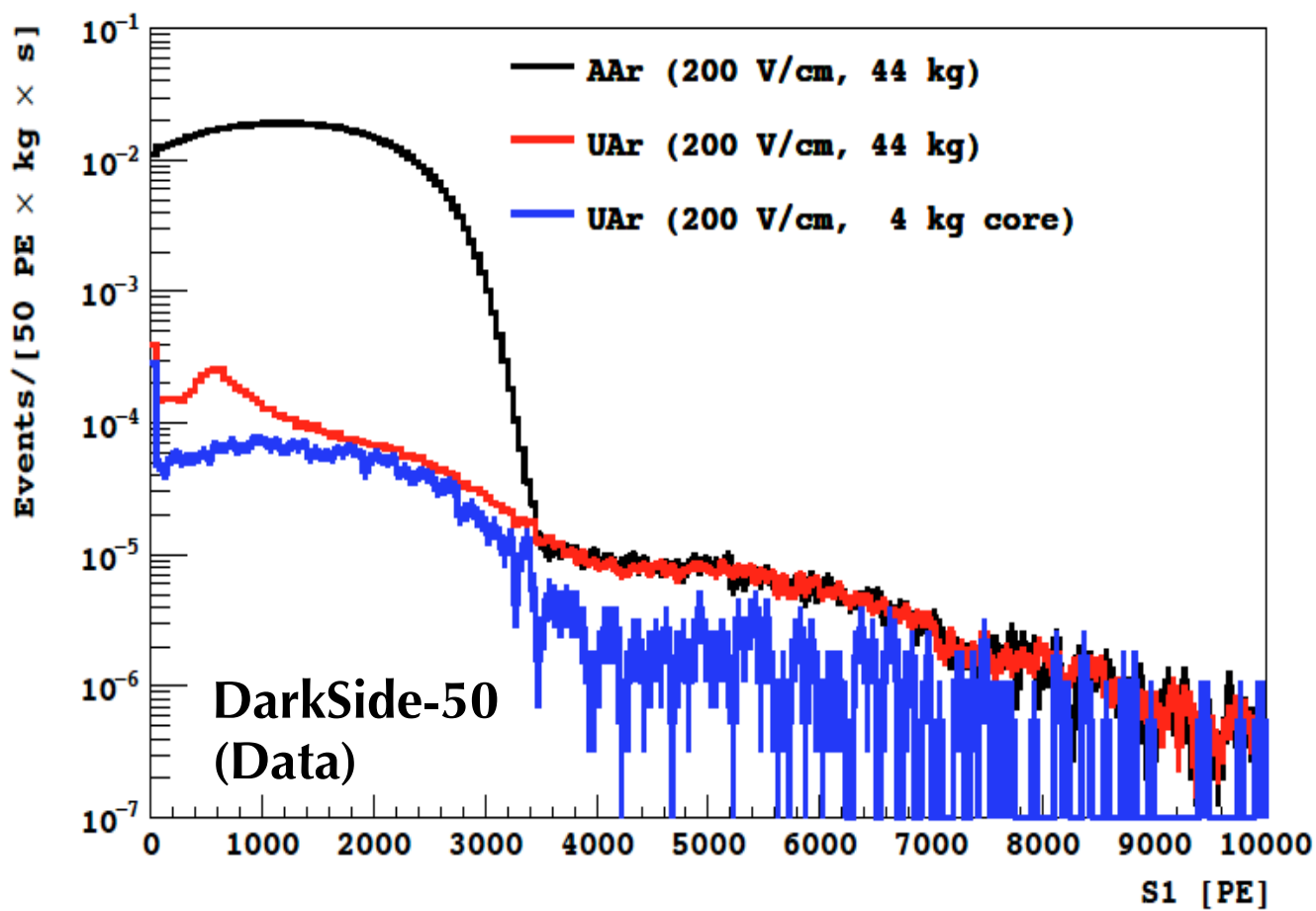
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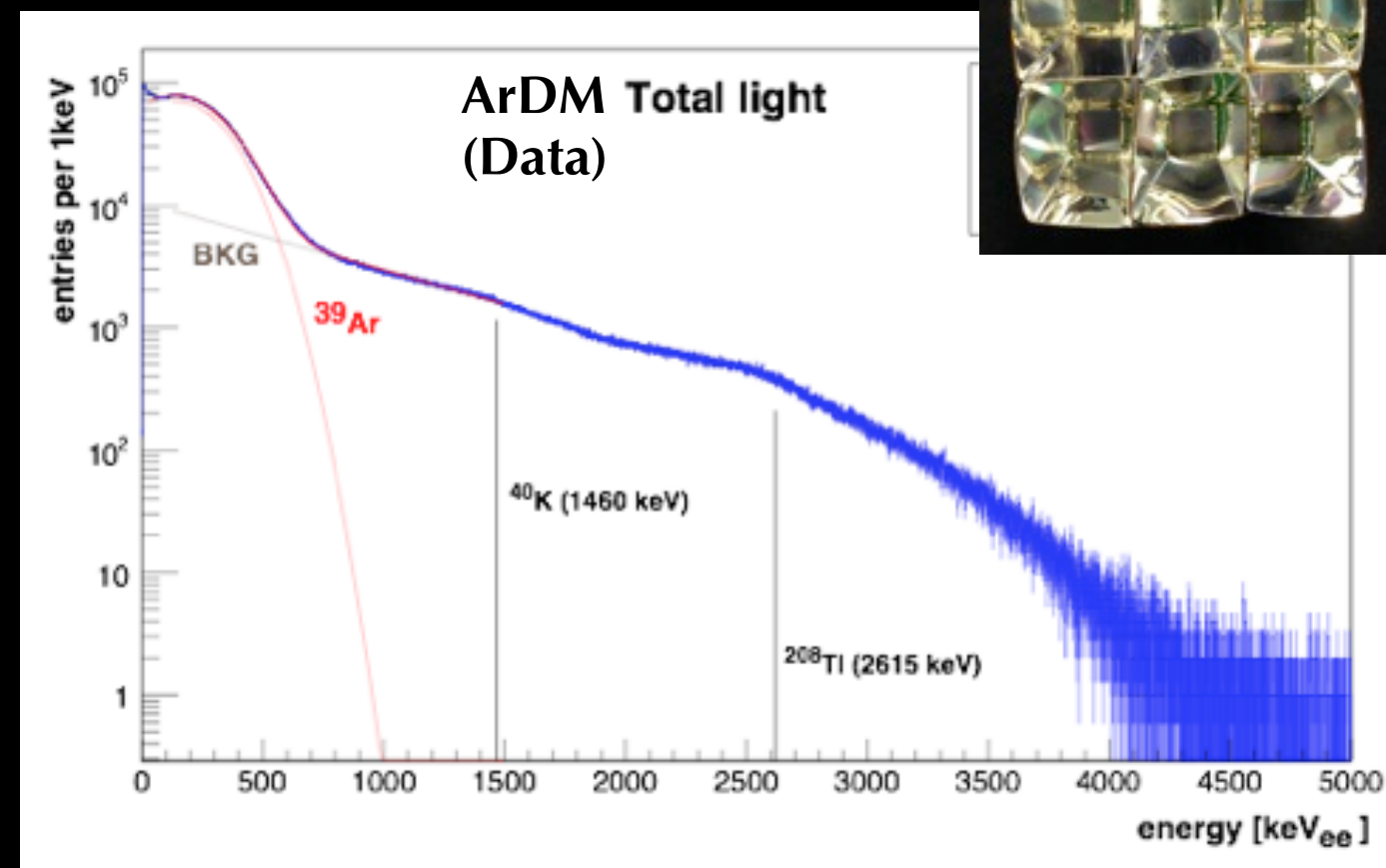
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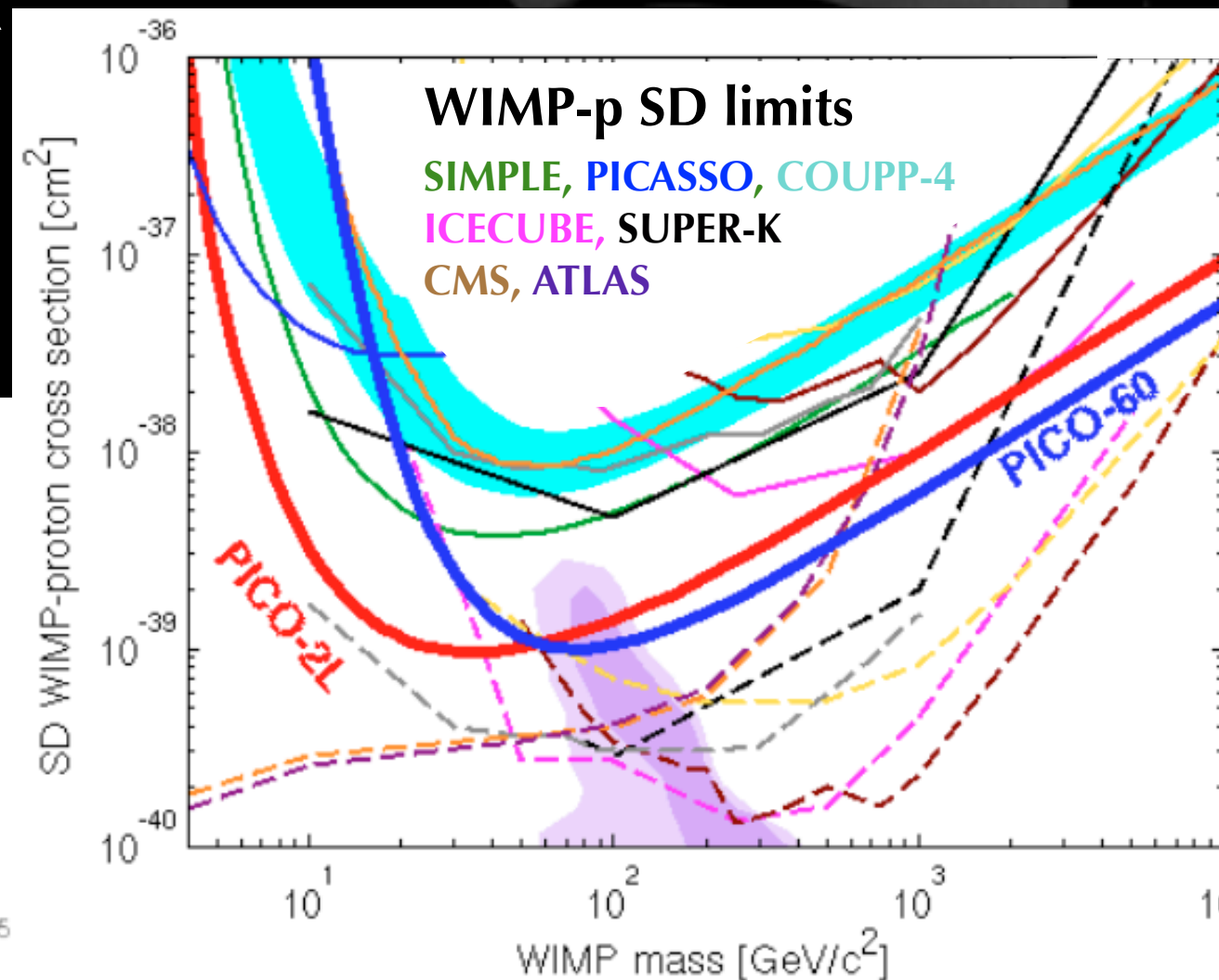
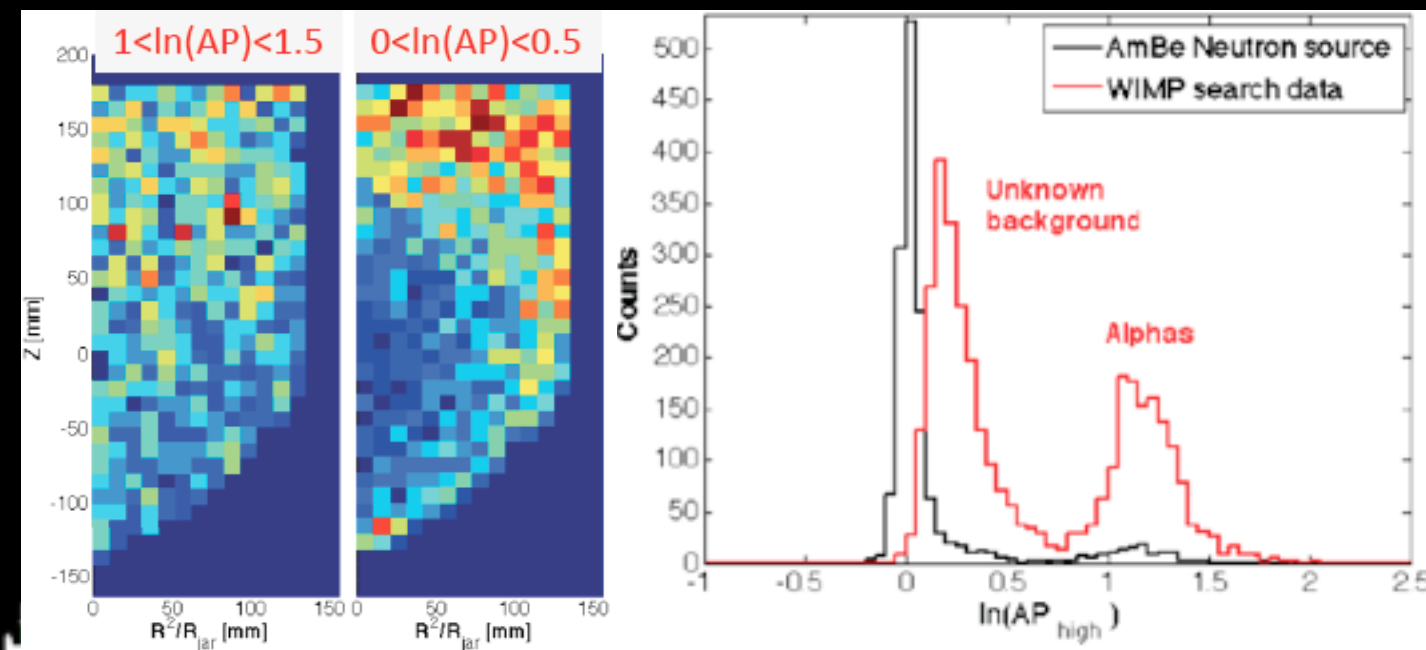
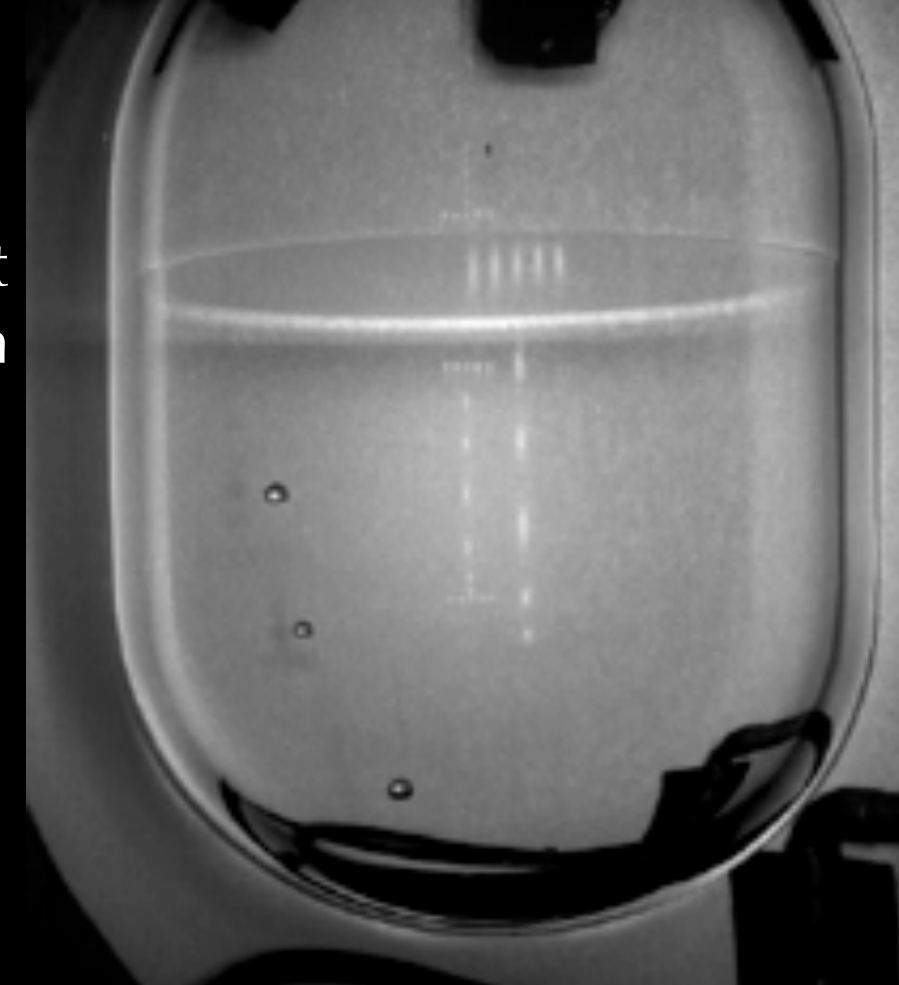
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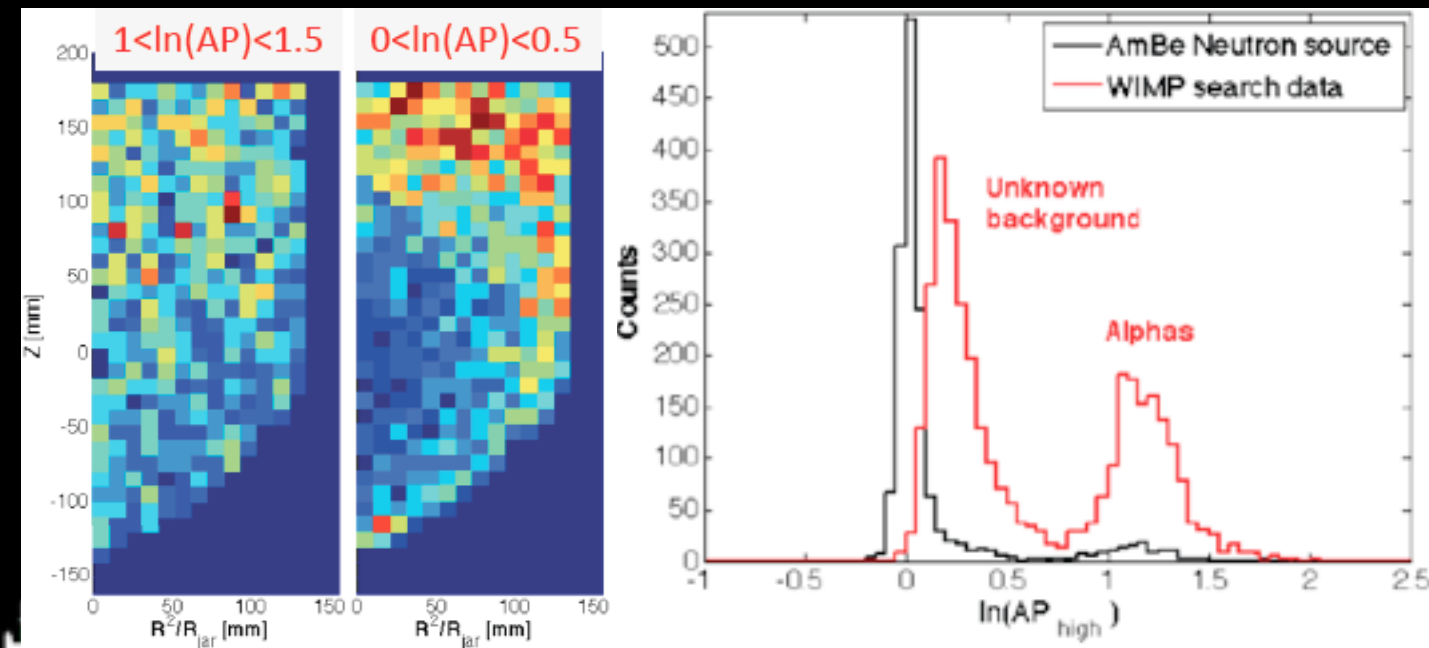
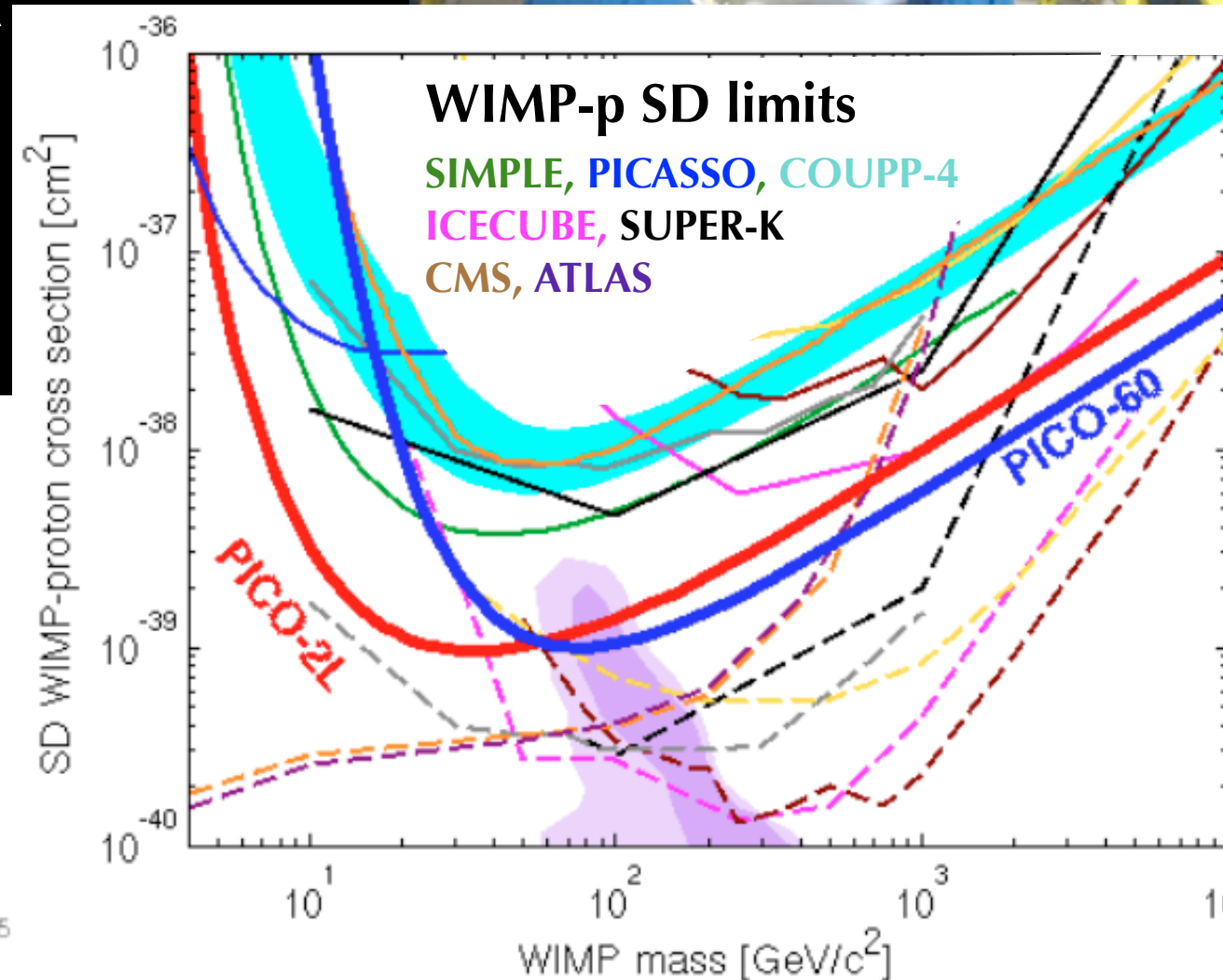
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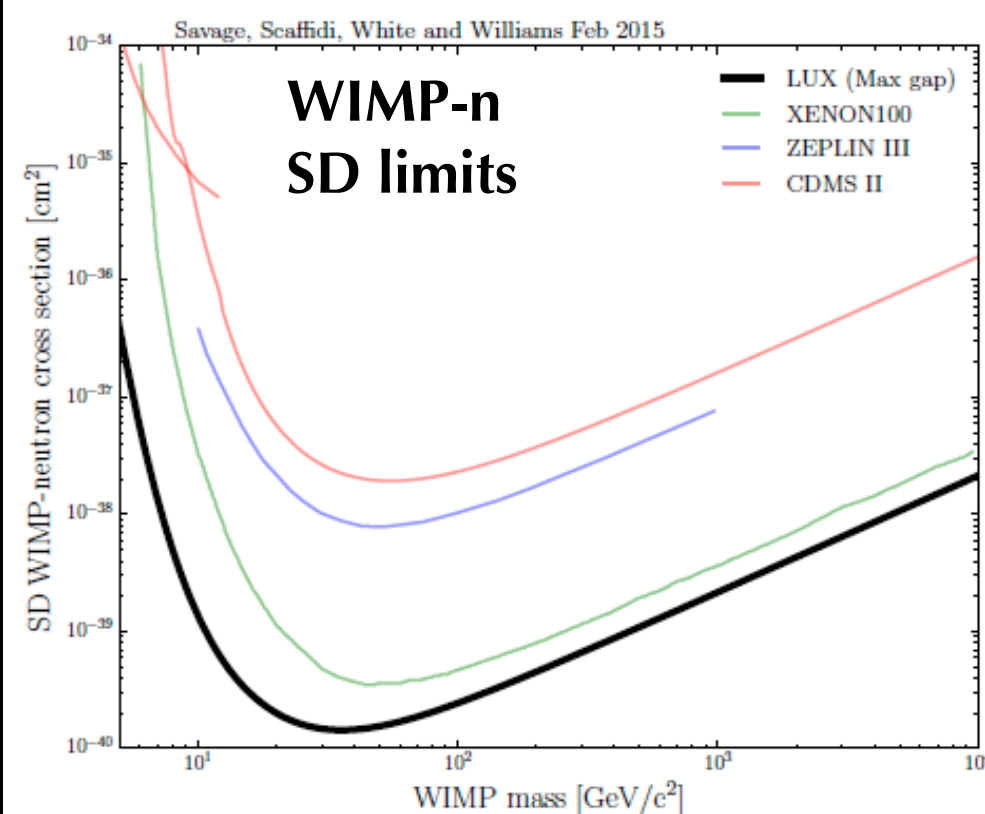
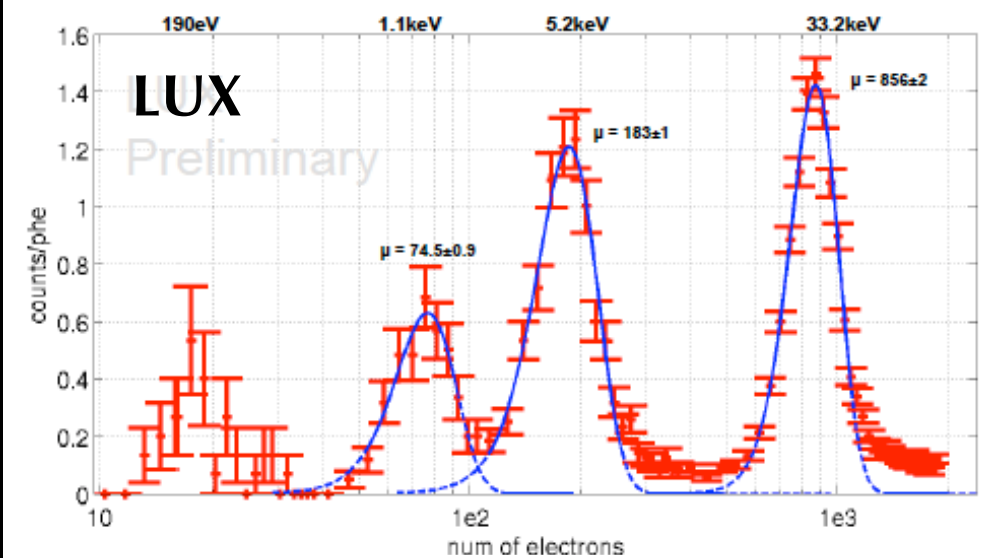
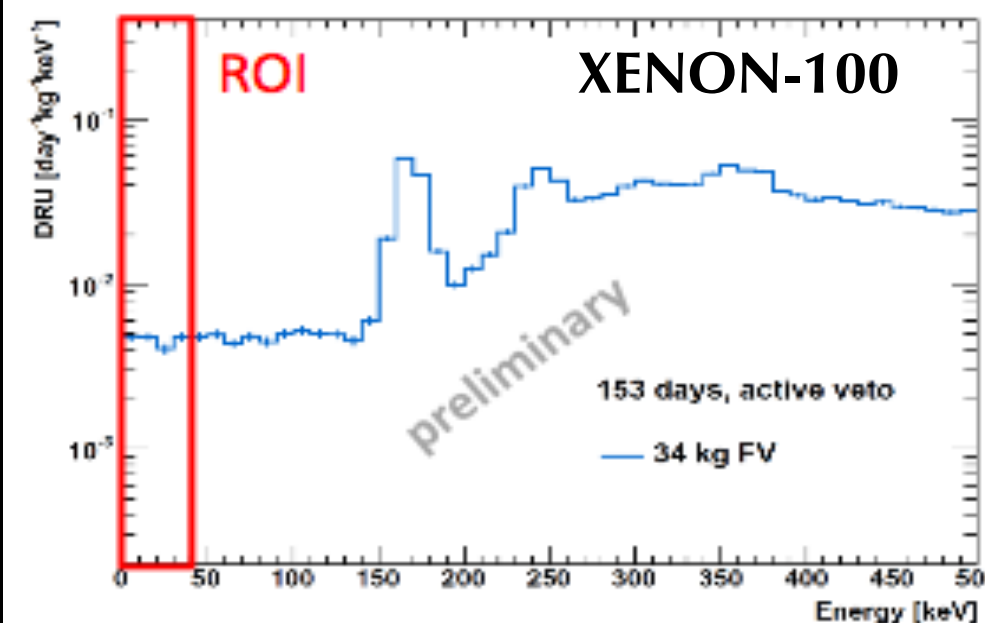
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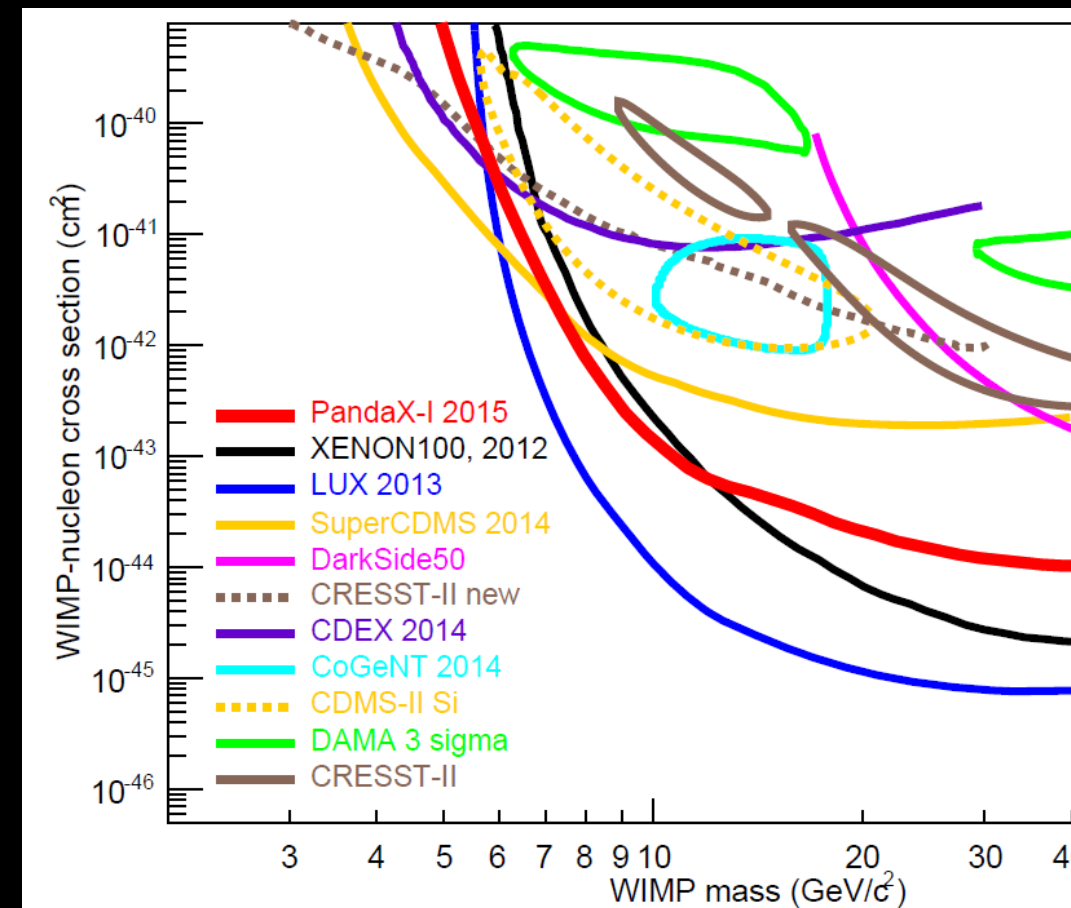
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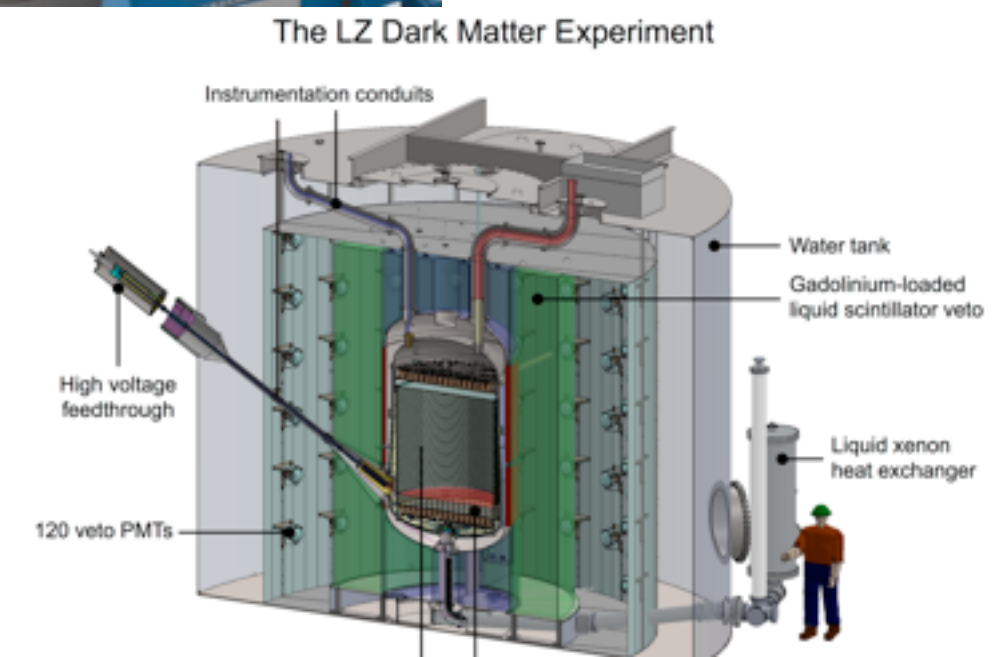
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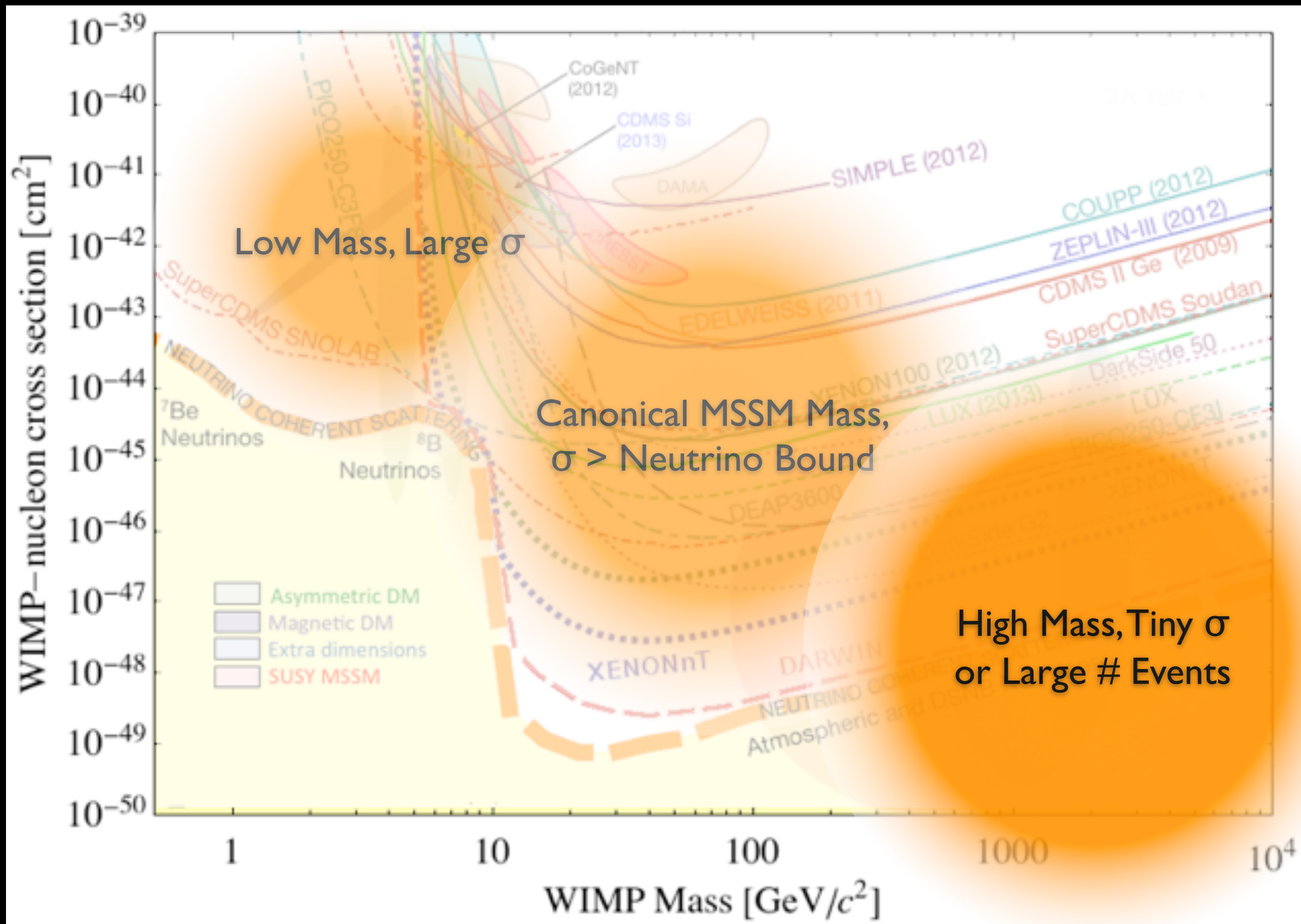
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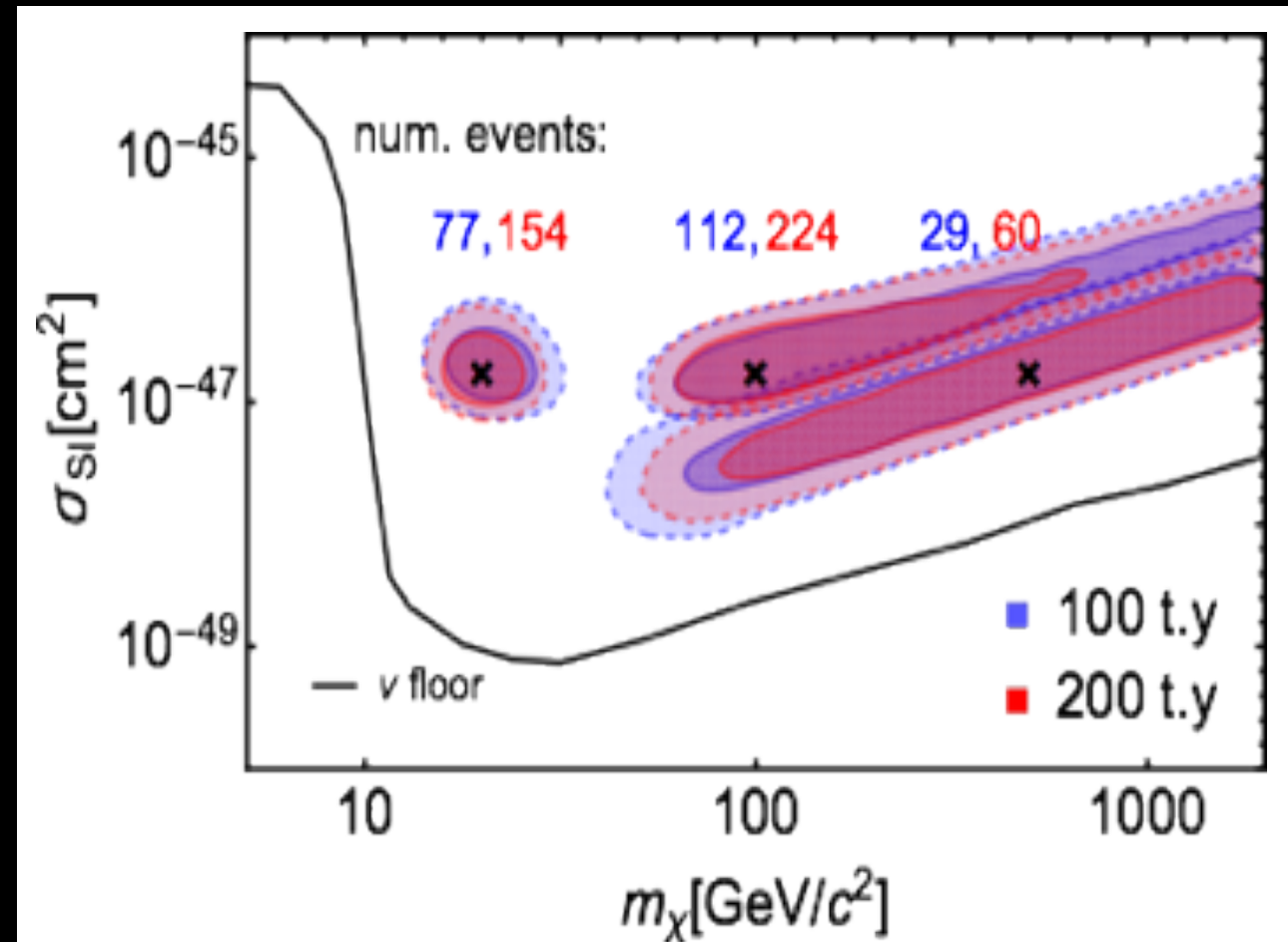
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so far: ~3 years / order of magnitude

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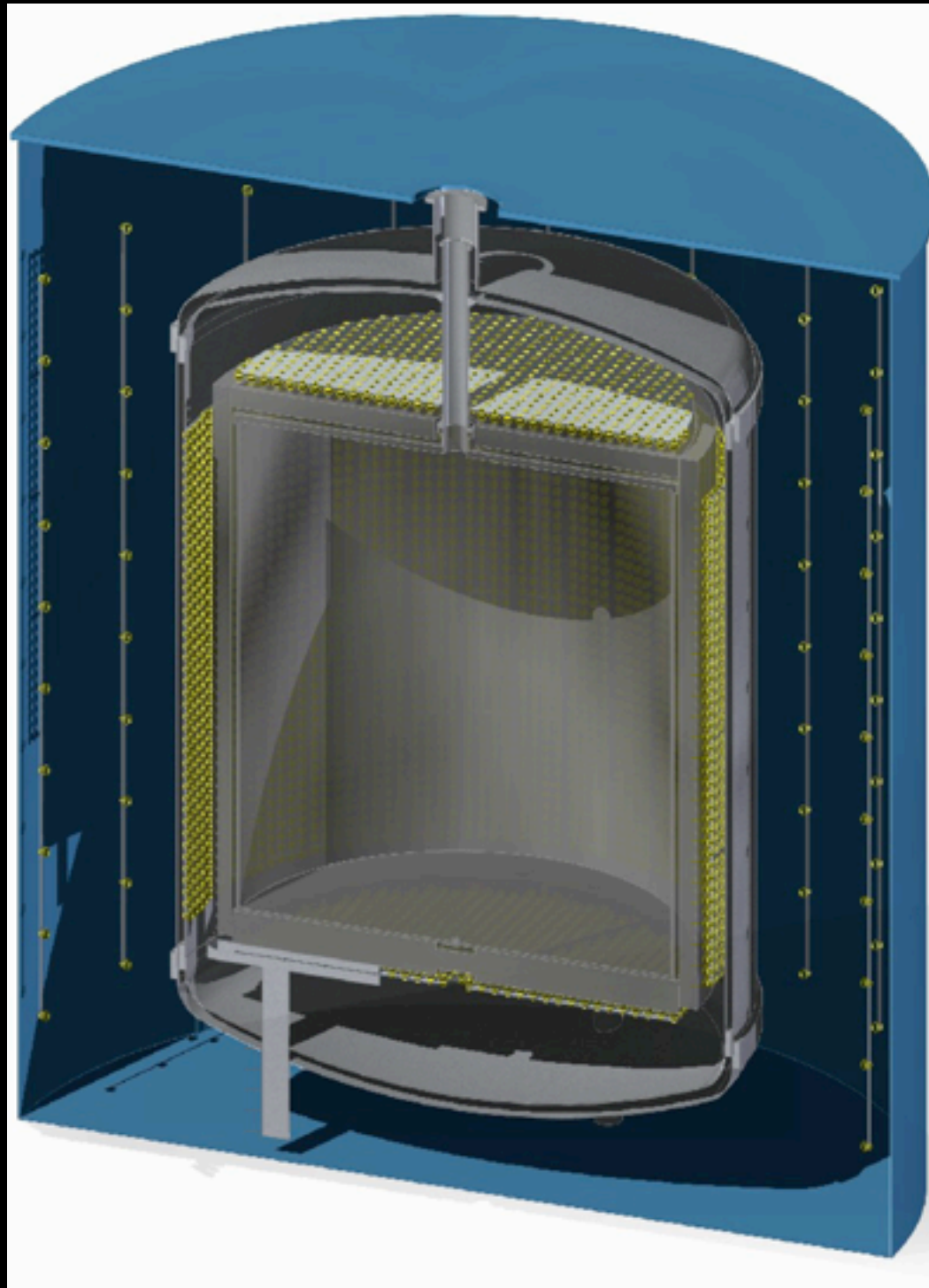
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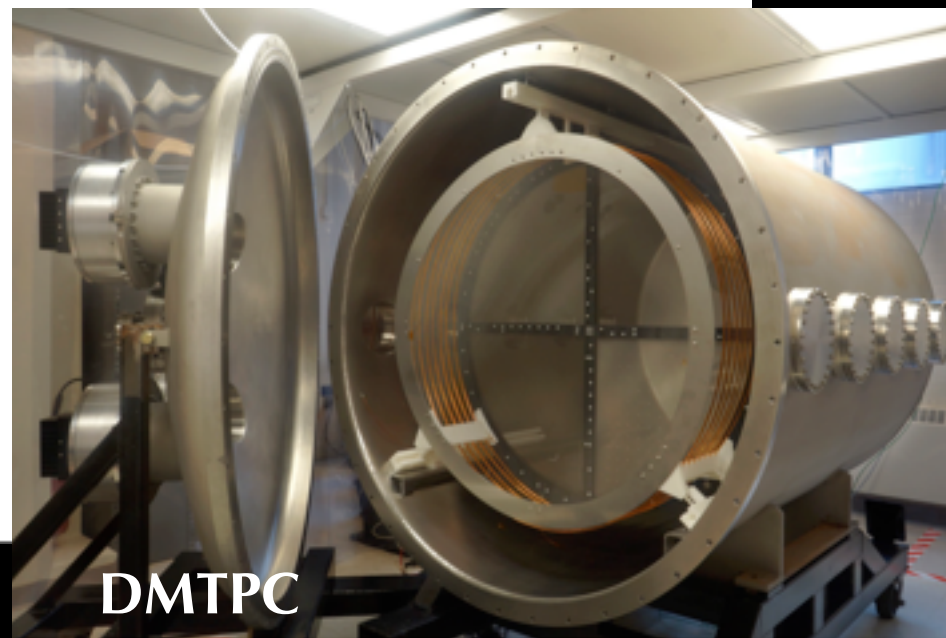
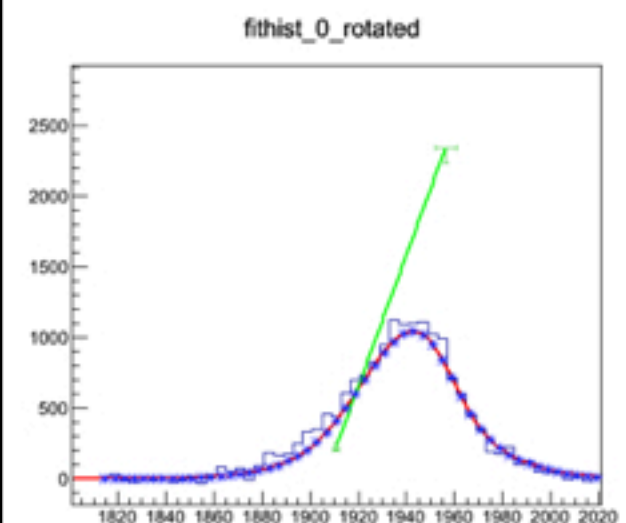
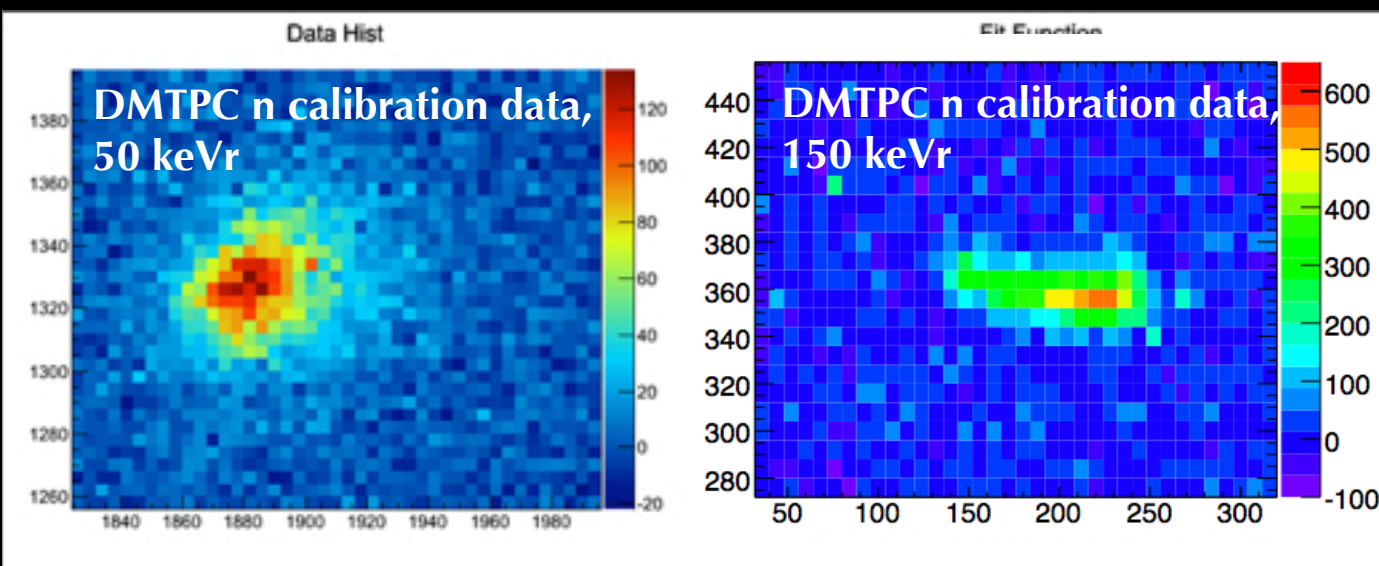
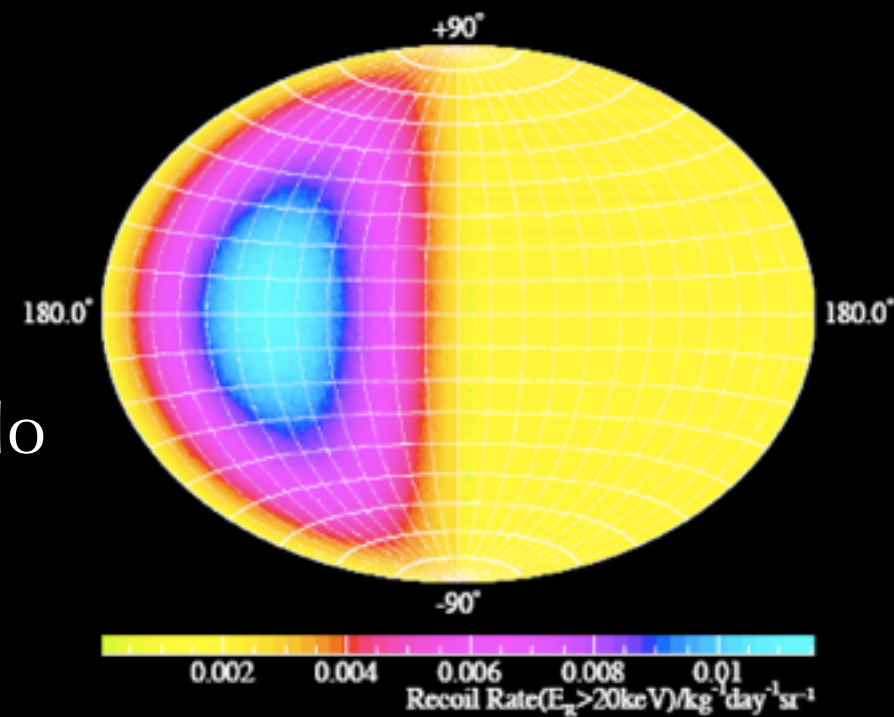
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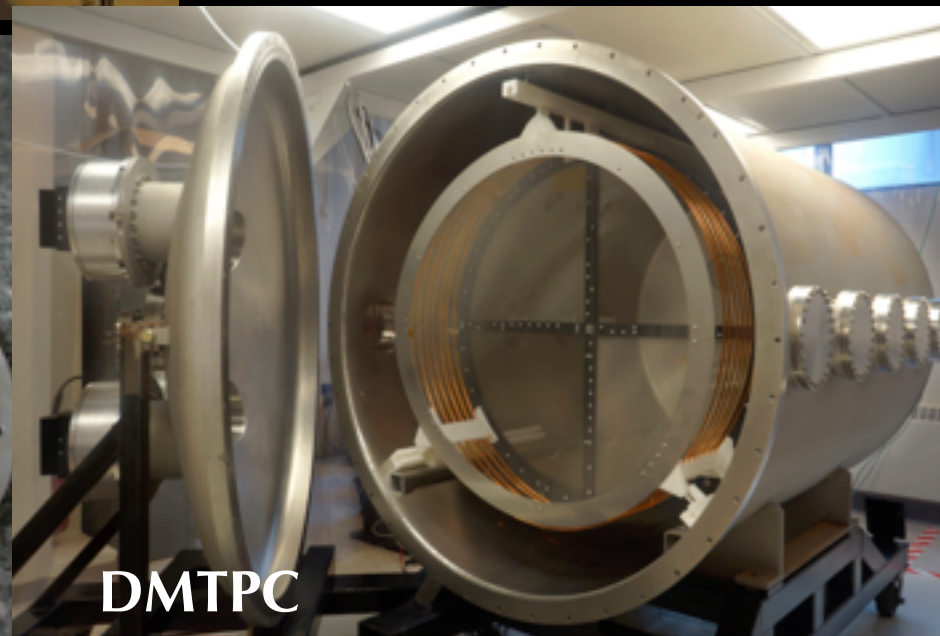
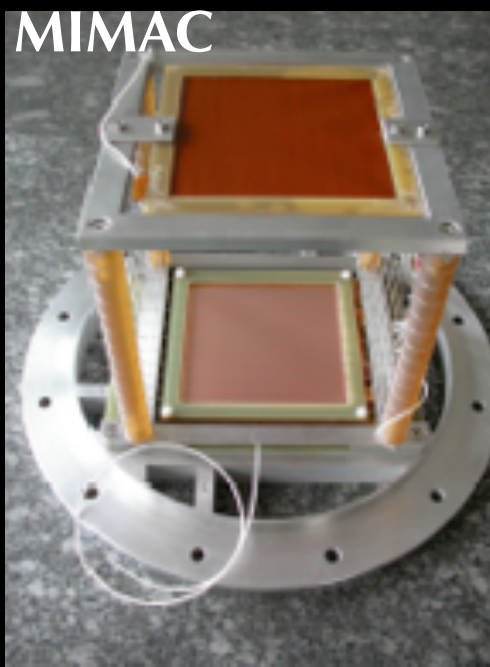
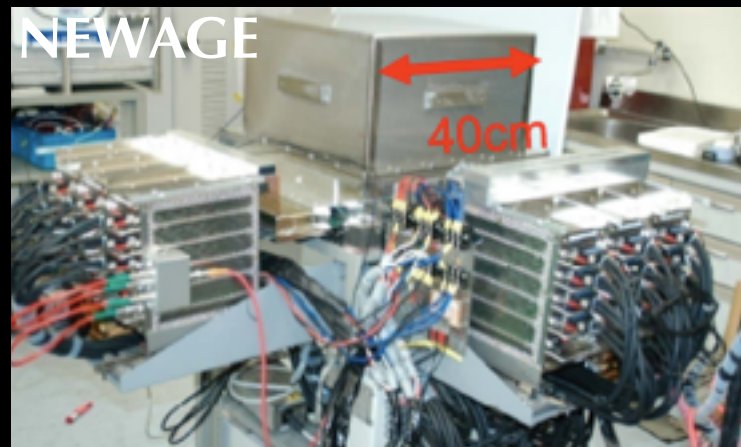
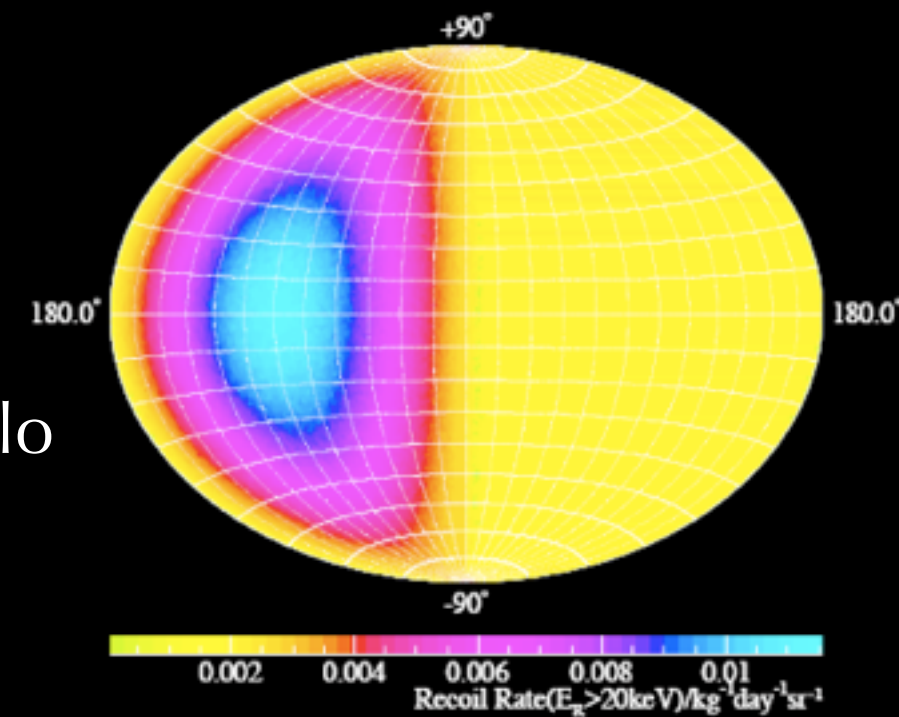
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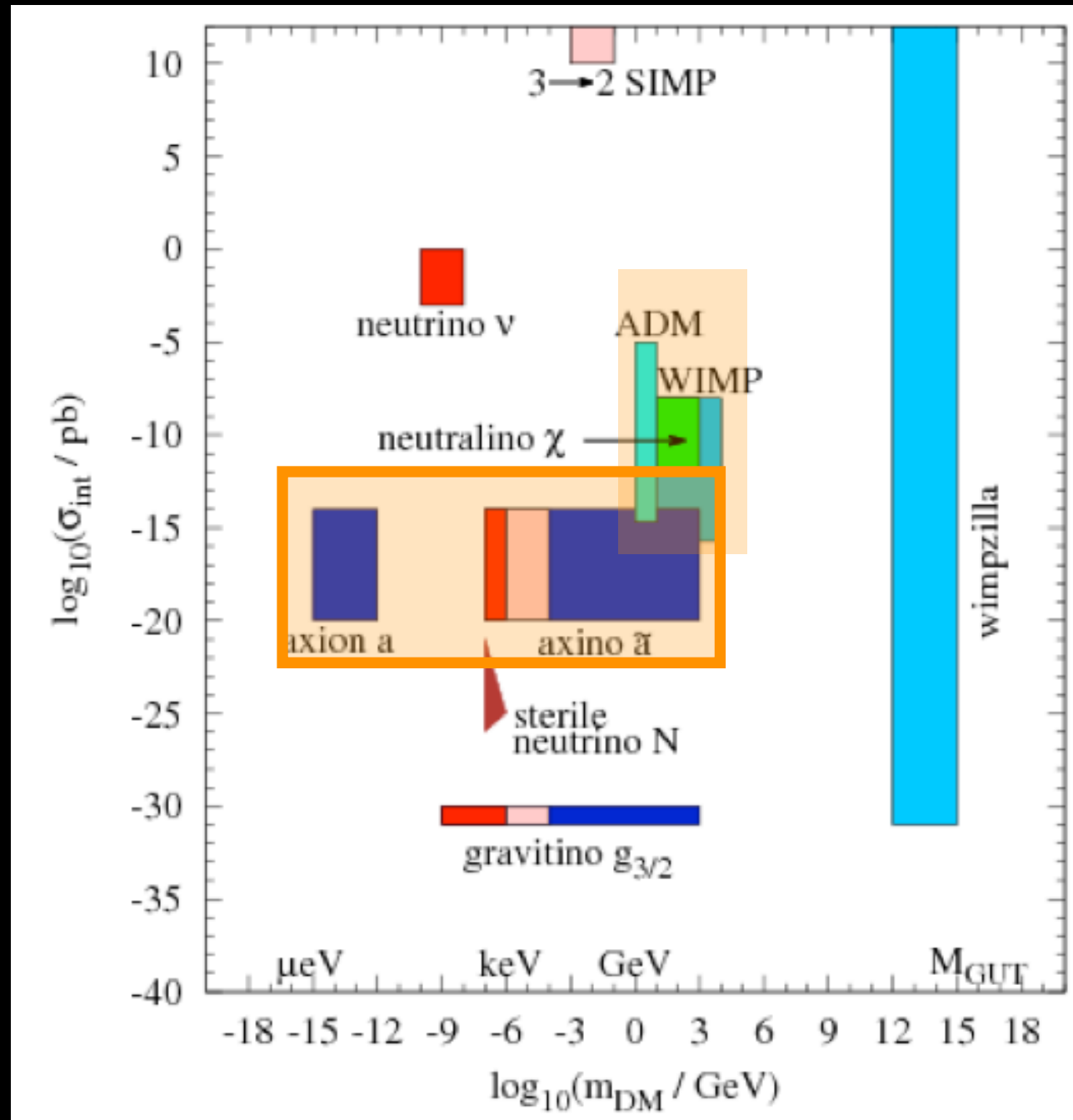
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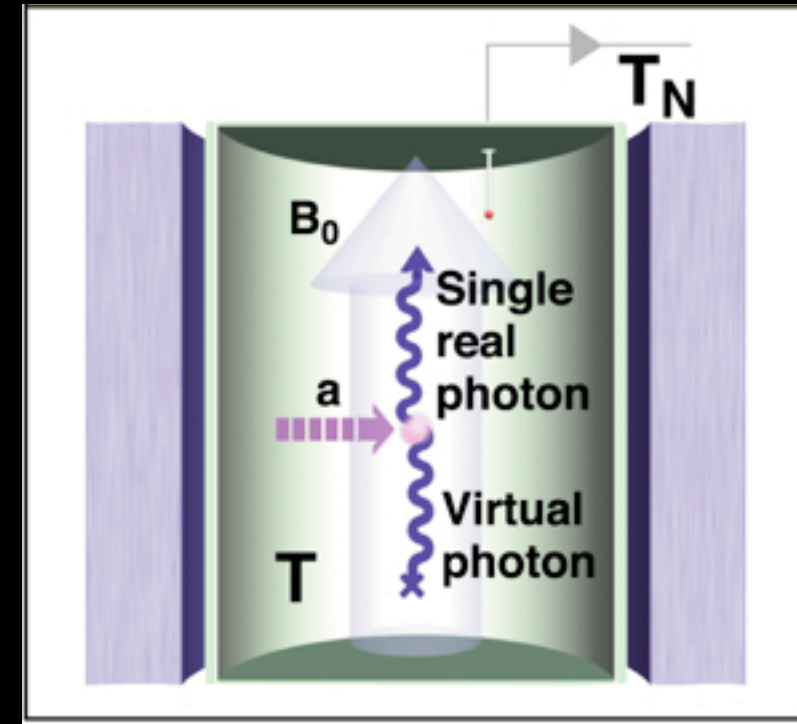


Baer et al., arXiv:1407.0017

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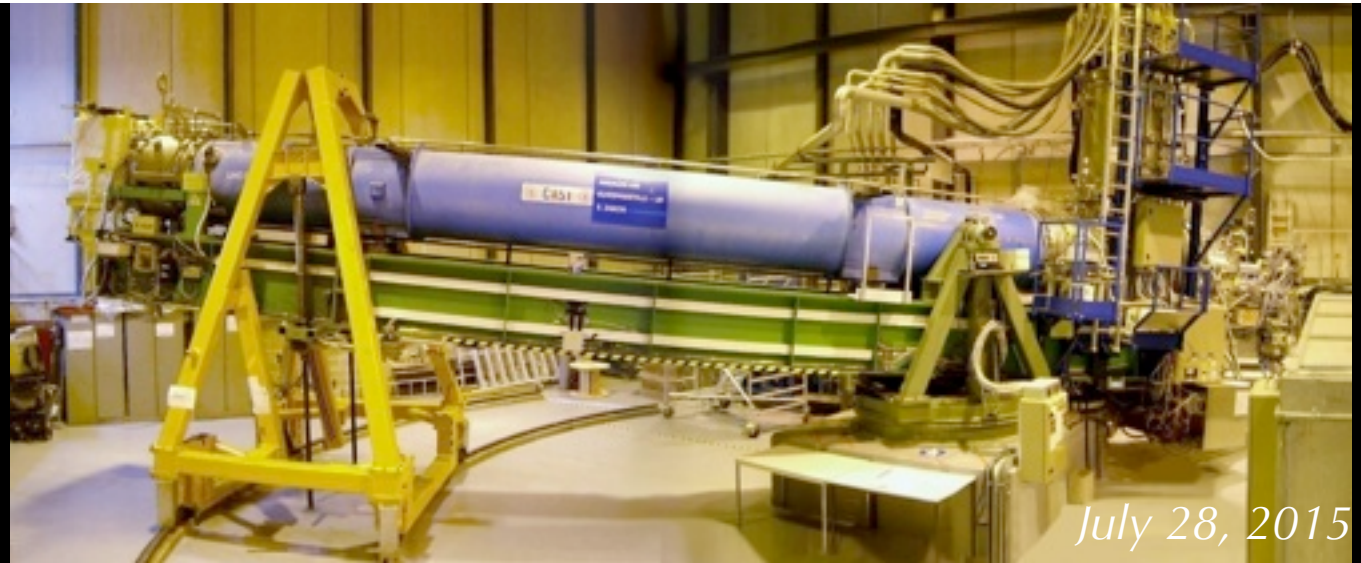
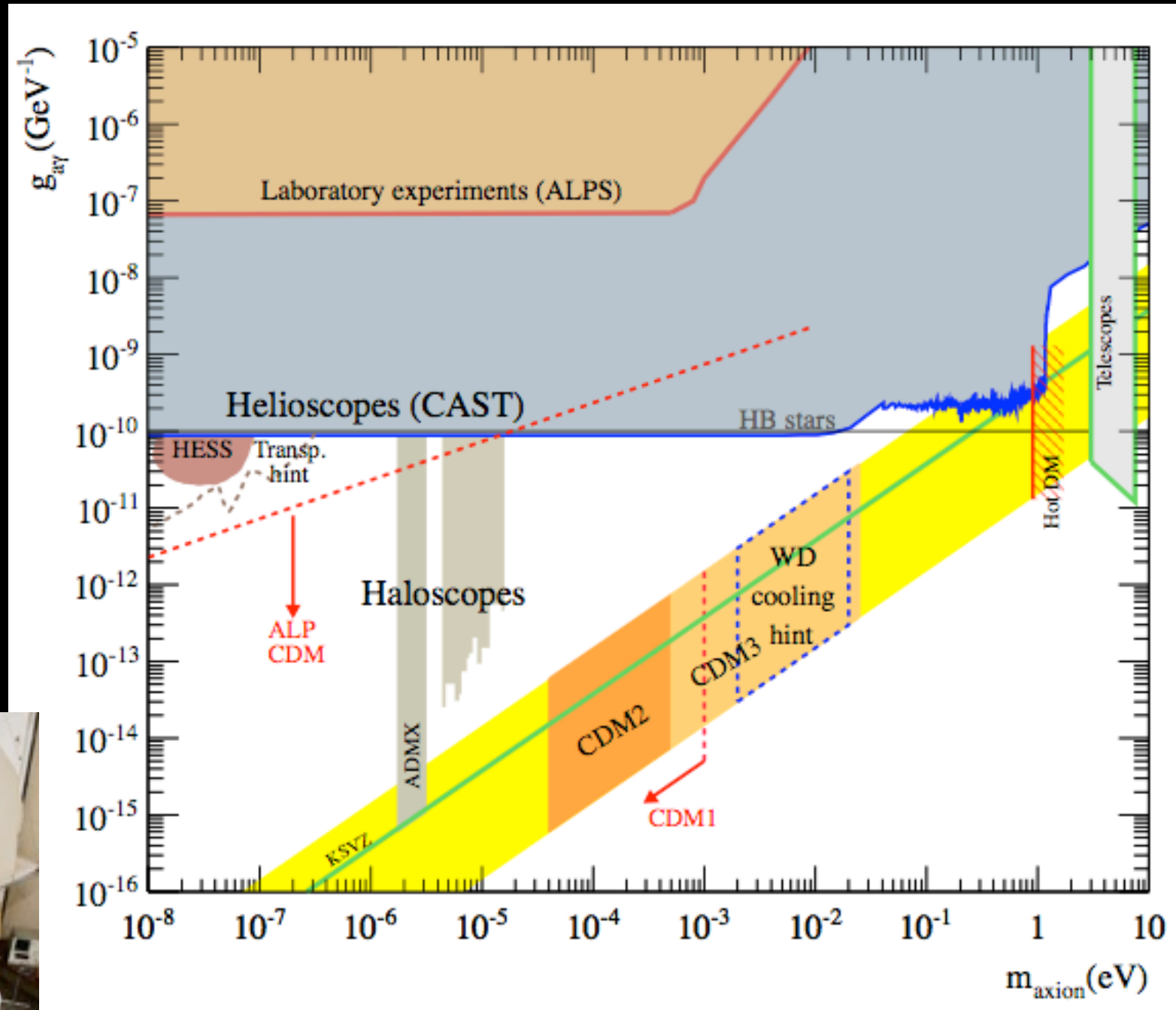
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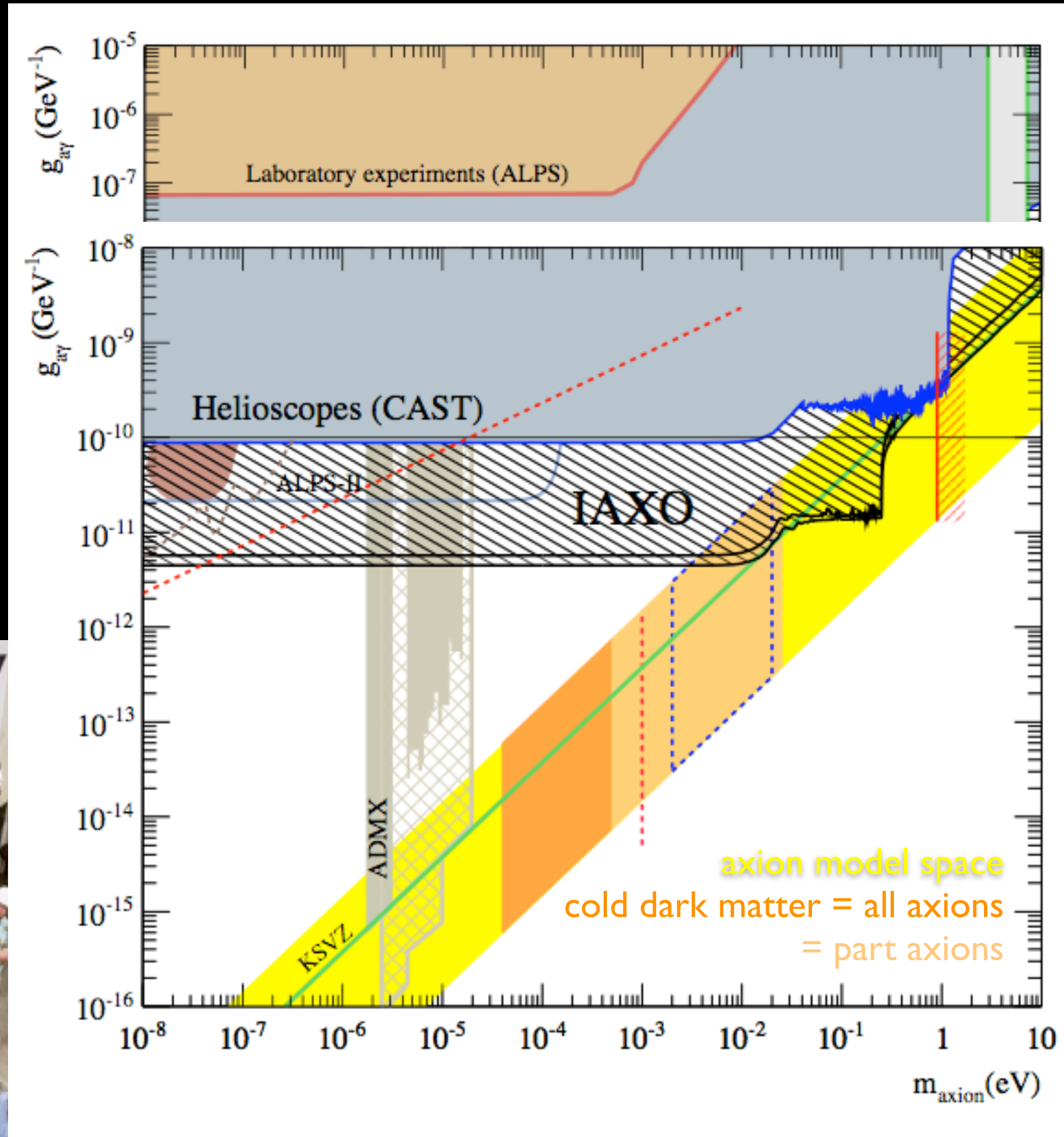
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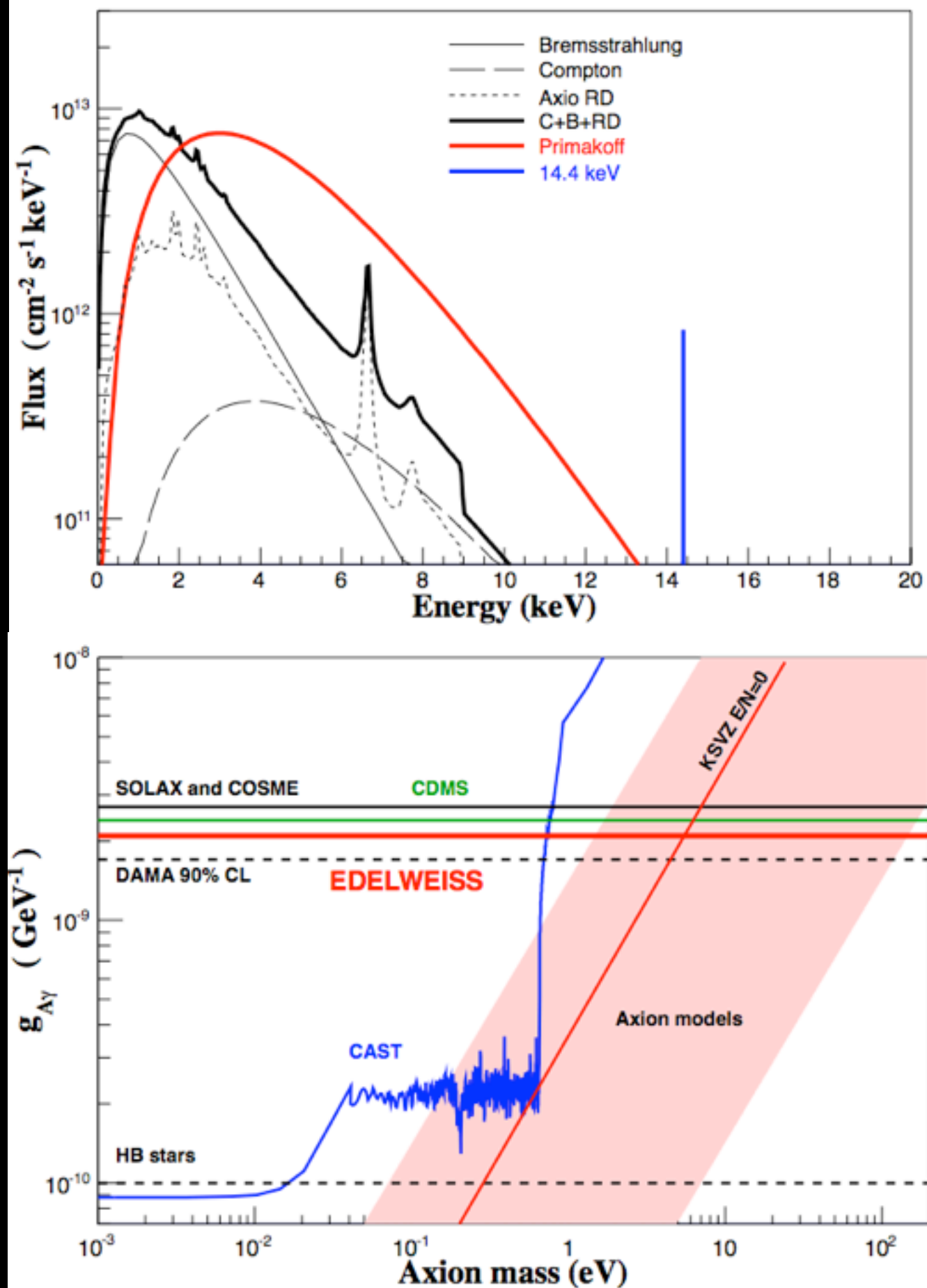
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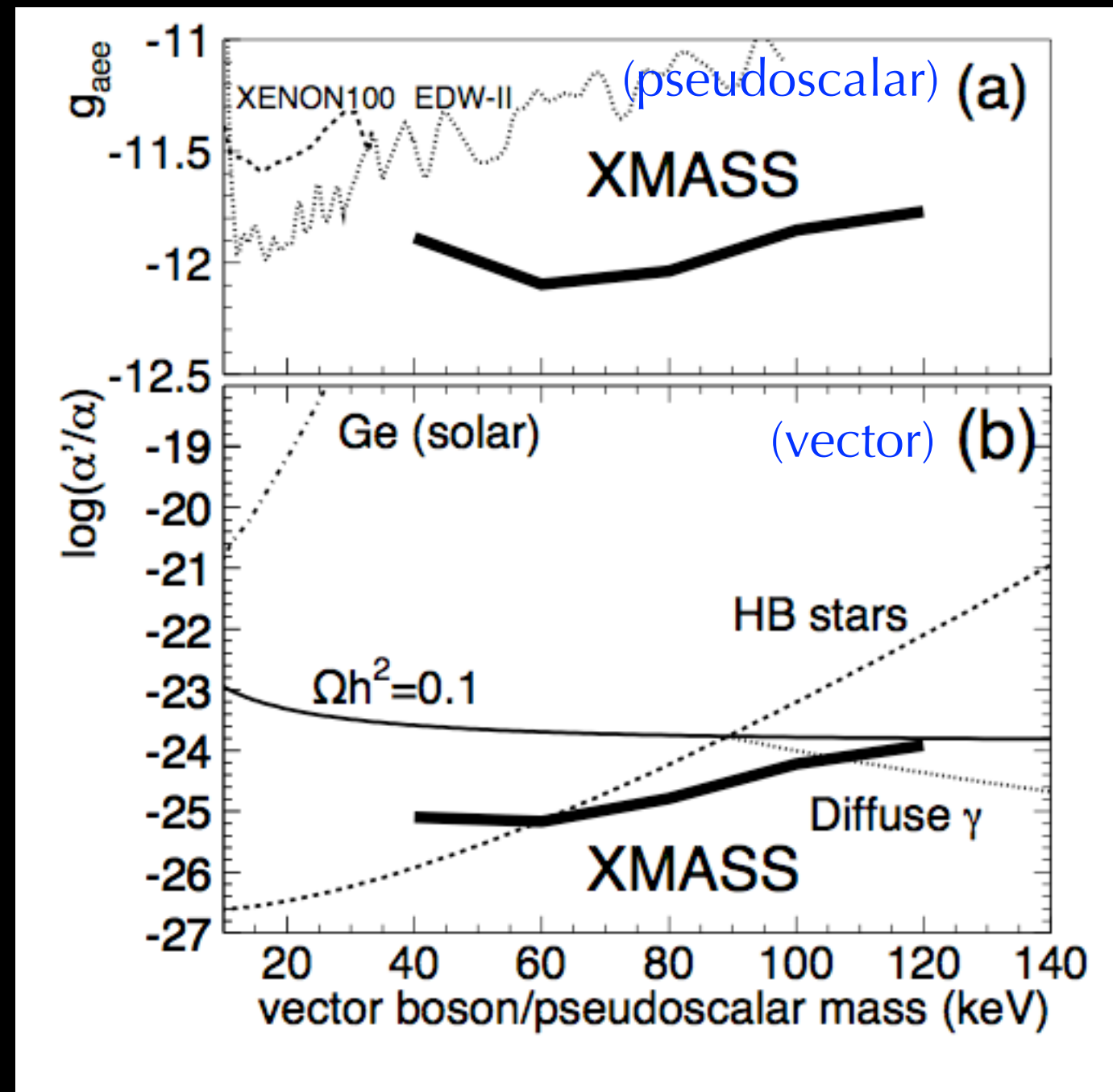
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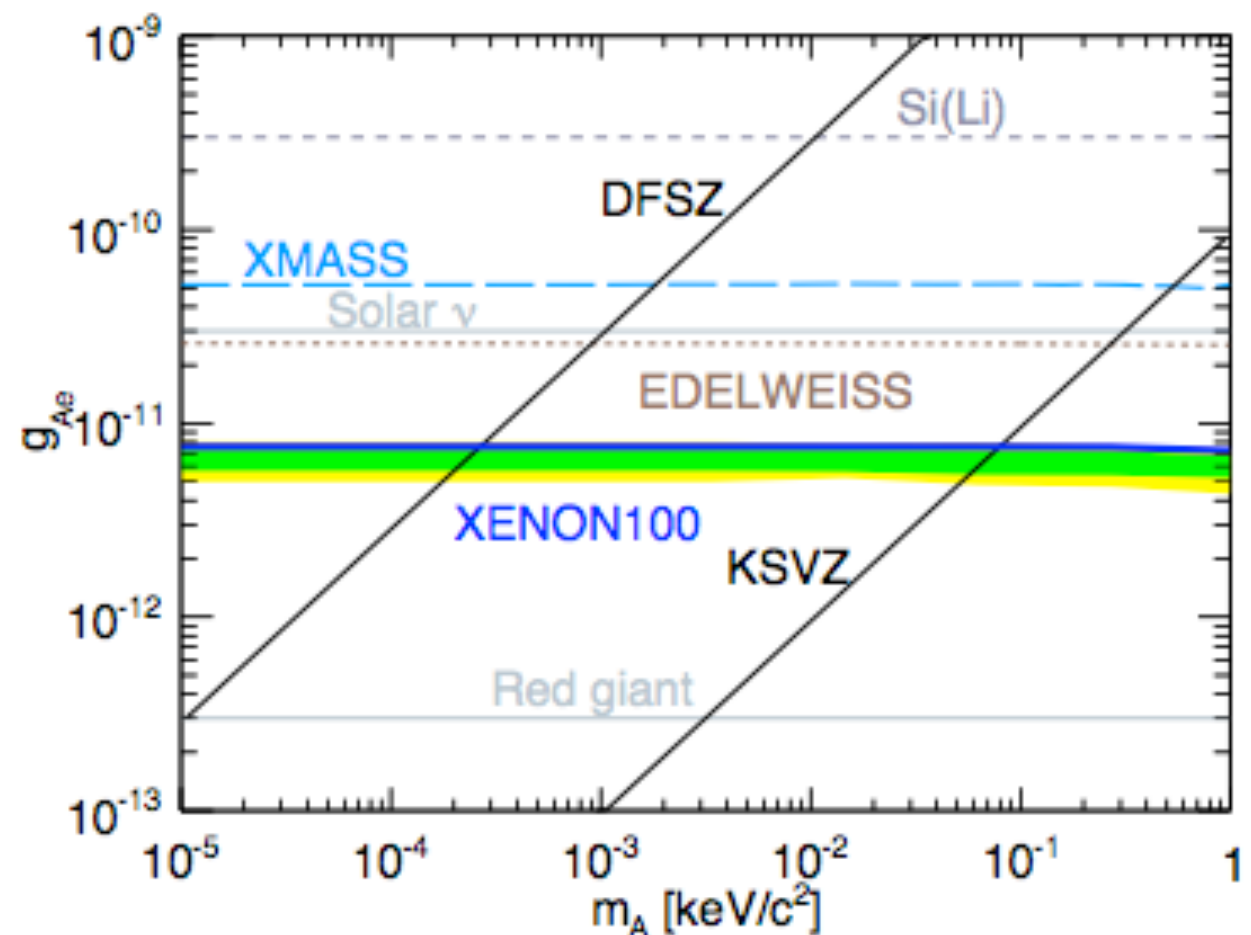
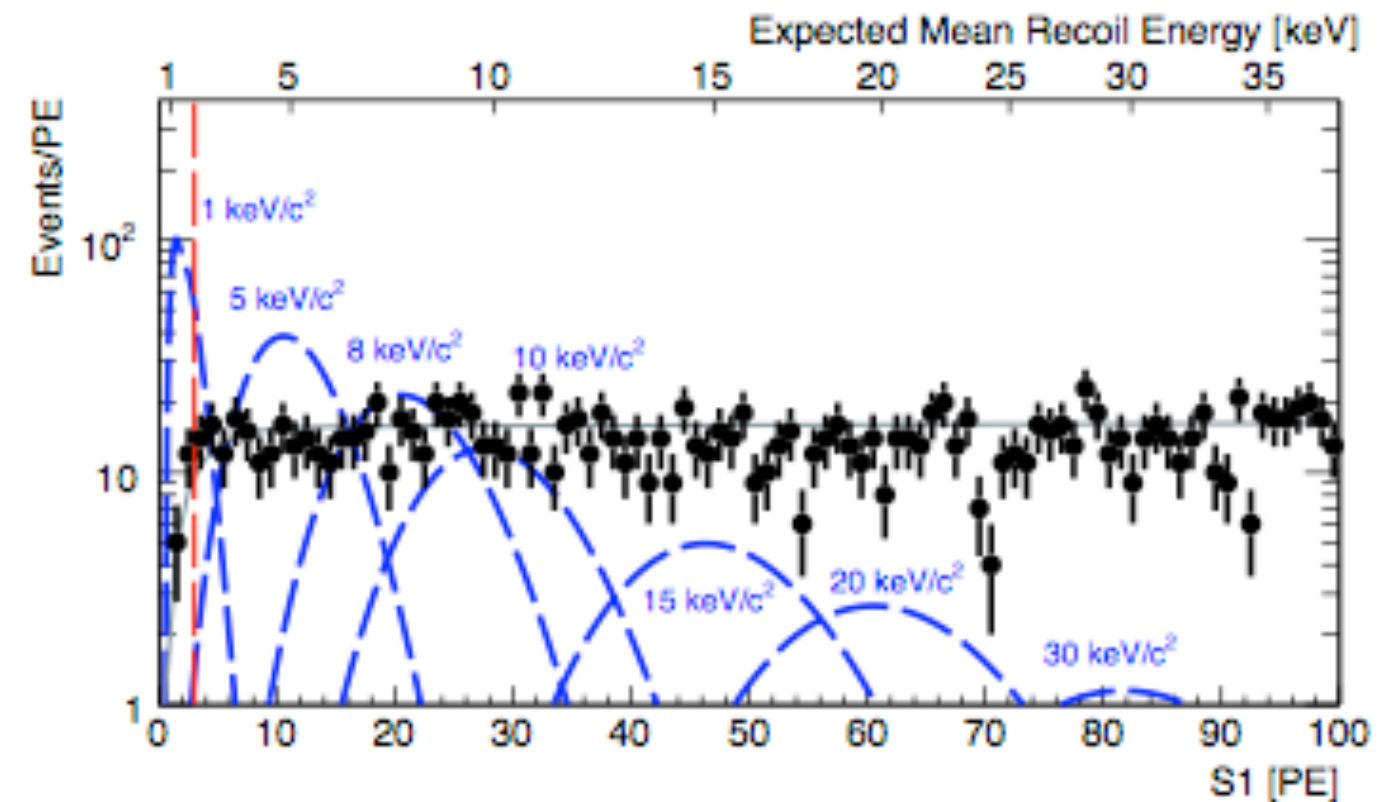
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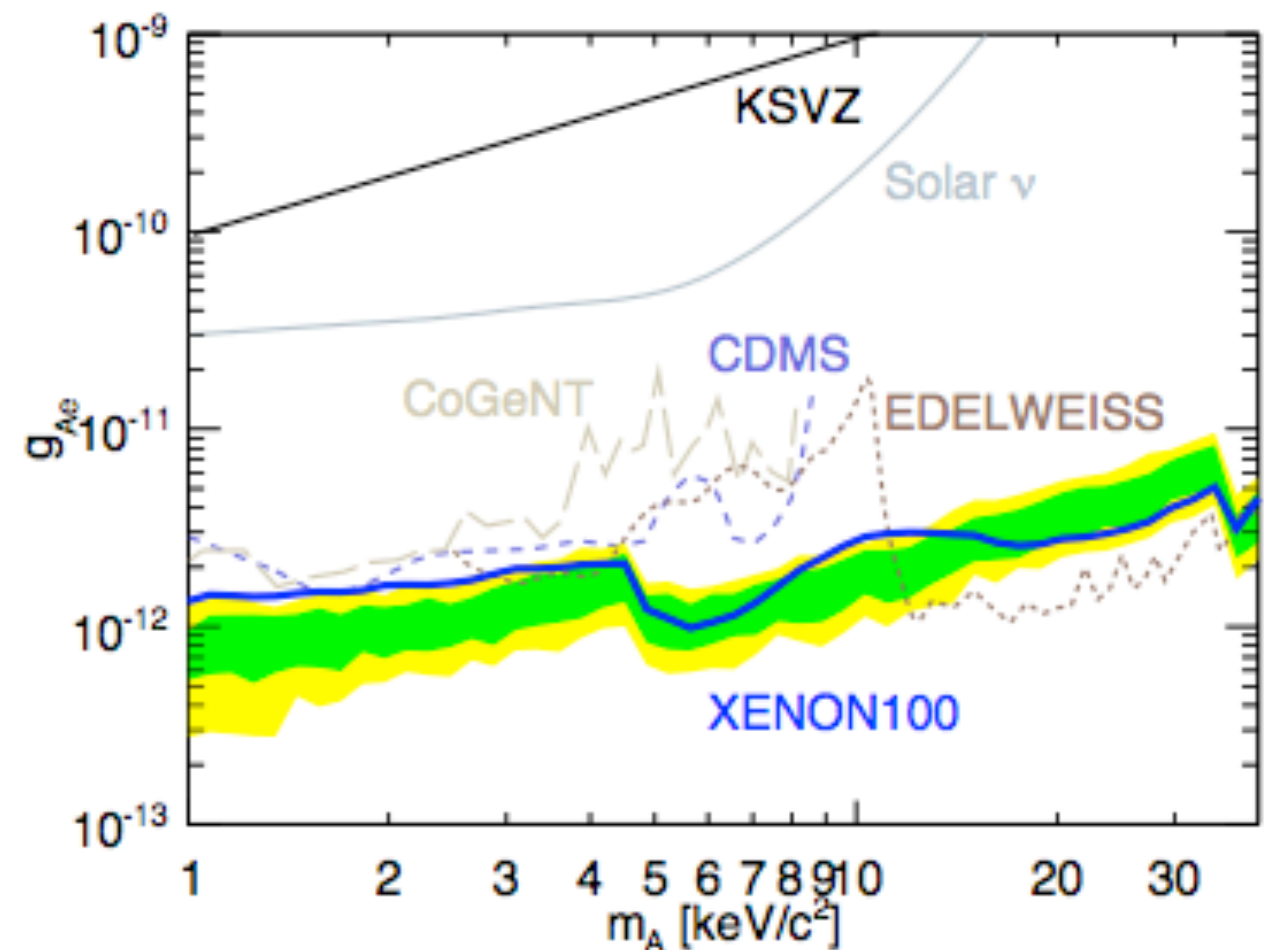
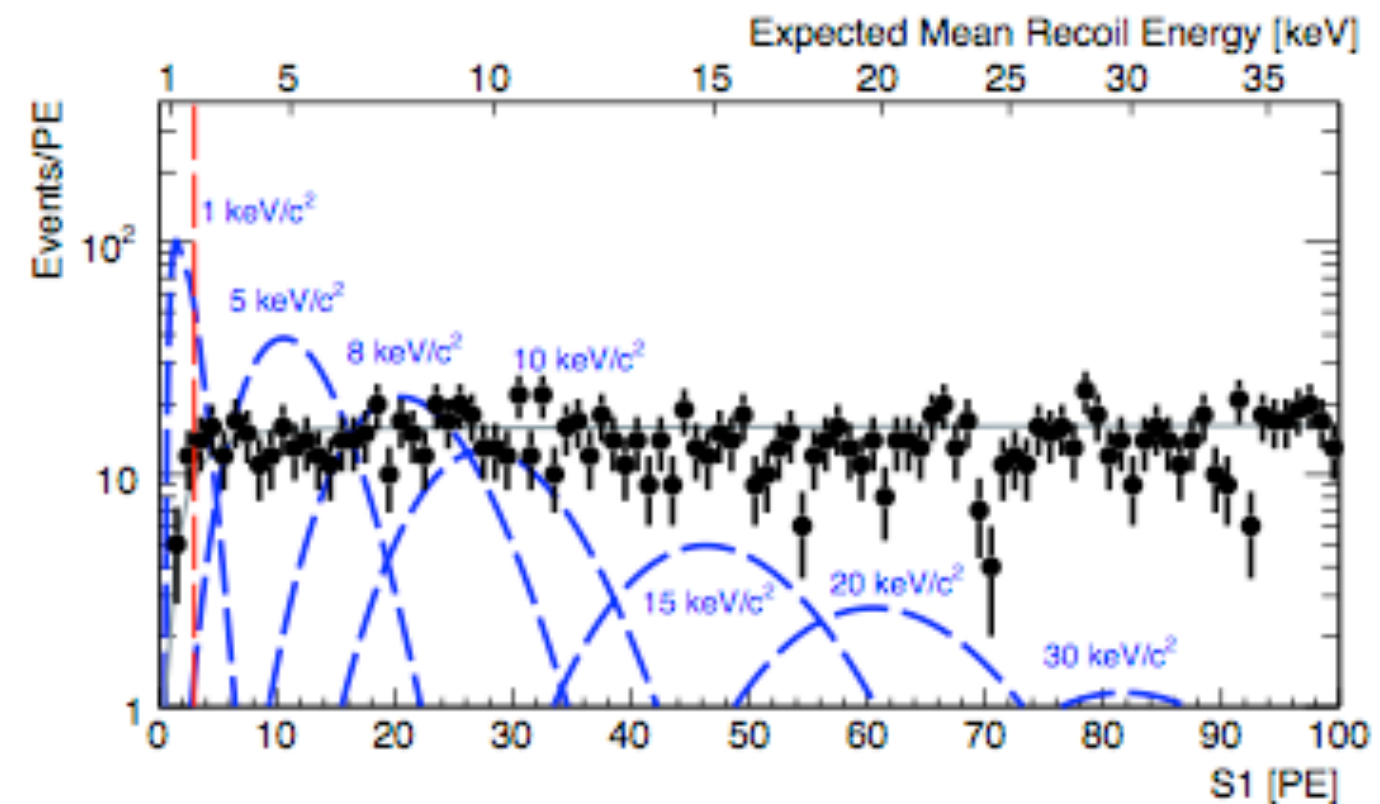
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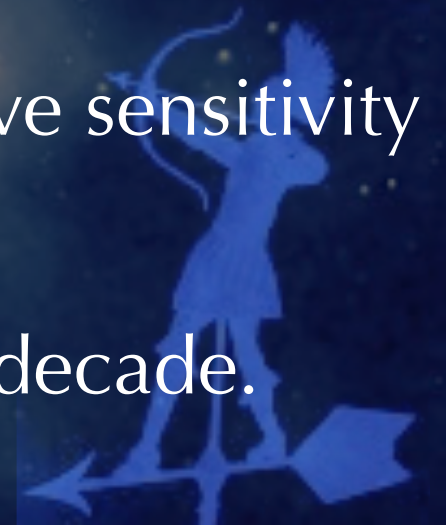
Conclusions & Outlook

- Direct detection searches are rapidly expanding physics reach:
 - to lower cross sections, probing new parameter space,
 - to lower masses, testing new models,
 - to higher masses, complementary with the LHC,
 - to new particle candidates (axions, ALPS, ...)

Prospects for discovery in direct detection searches are good!

Experiments running now or under construction will improve sensitivity reach by 1-2 orders of magnitude in next few years.

Experiments will reach the neutrino bound within the next decade.

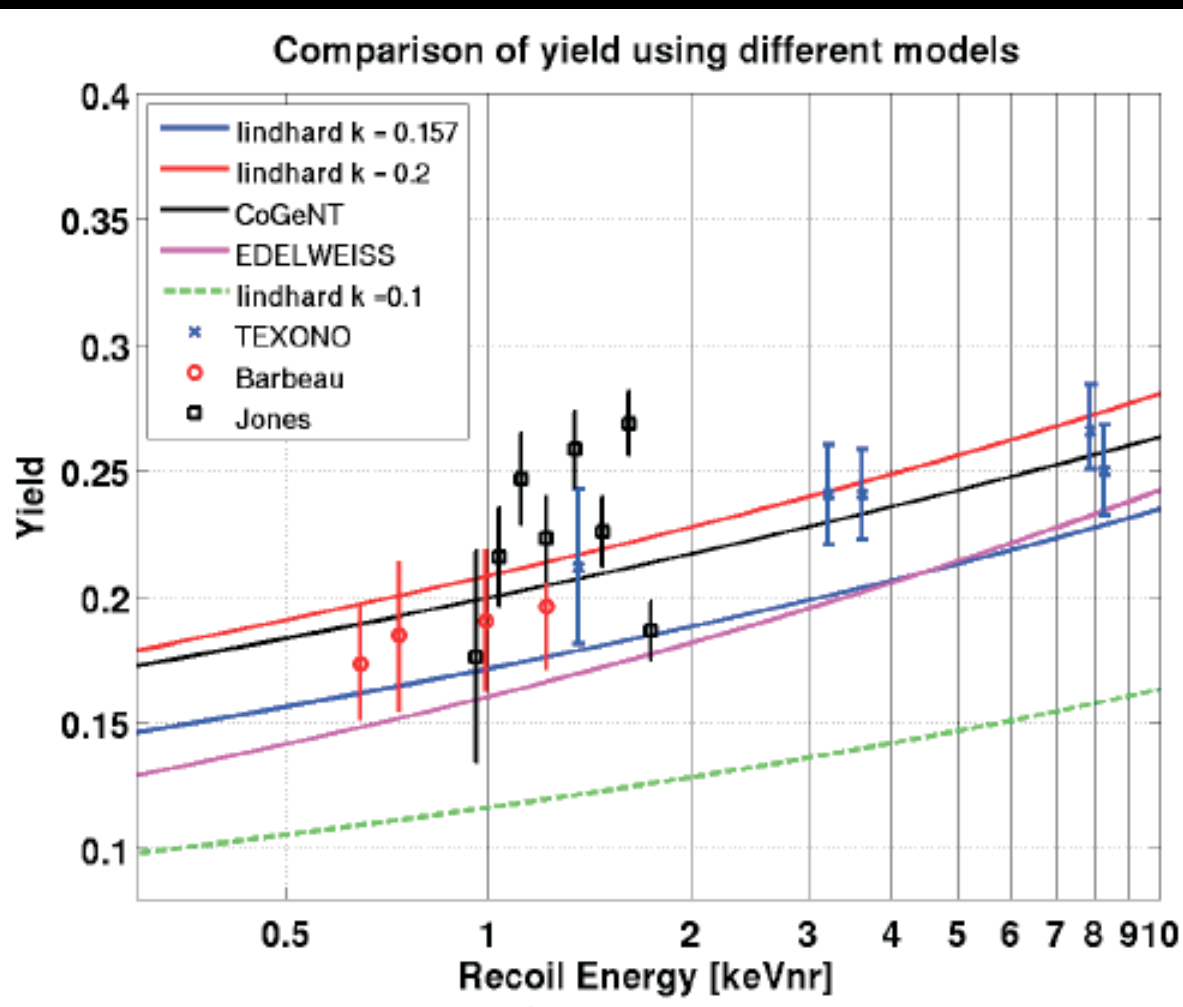


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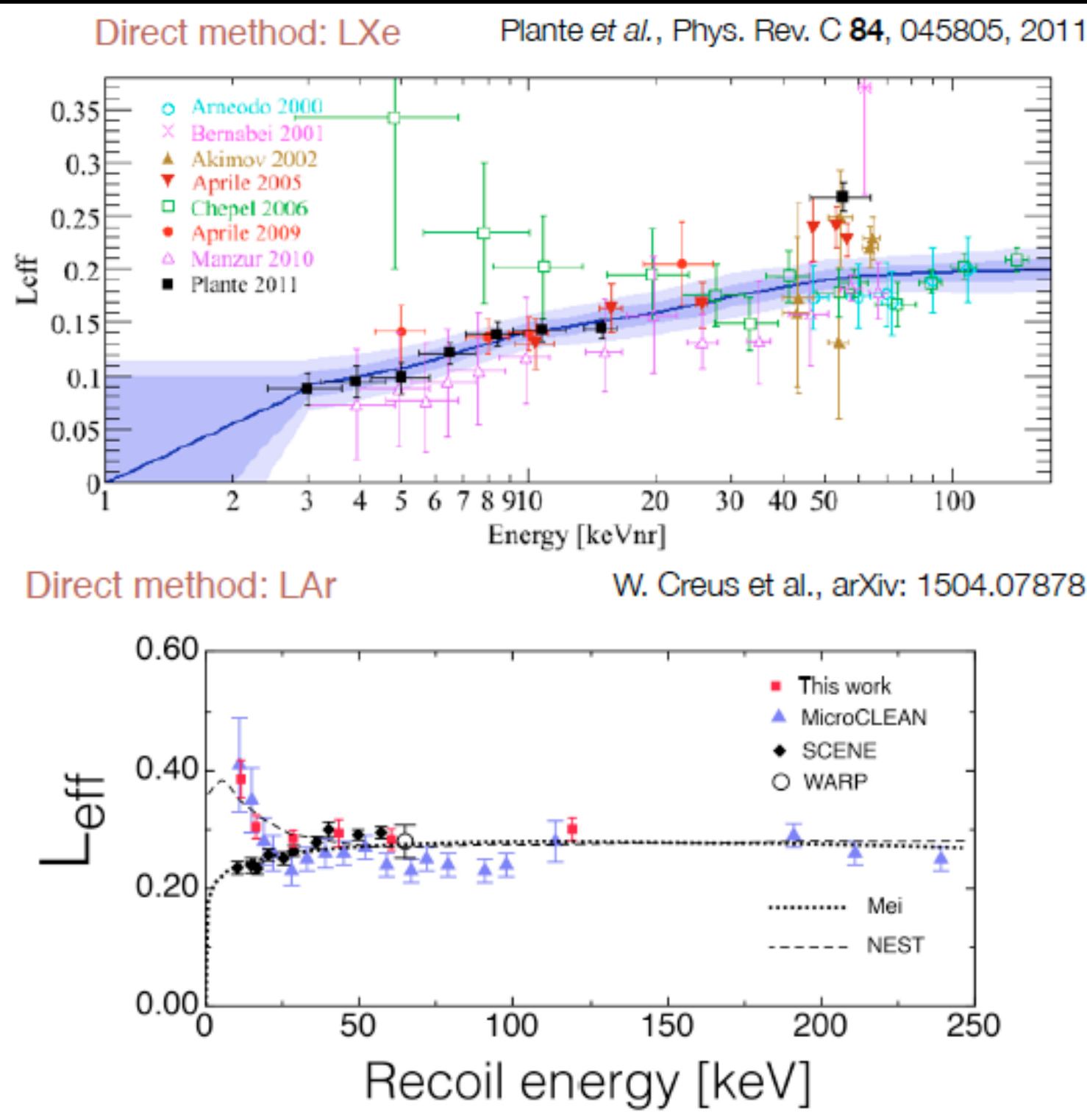
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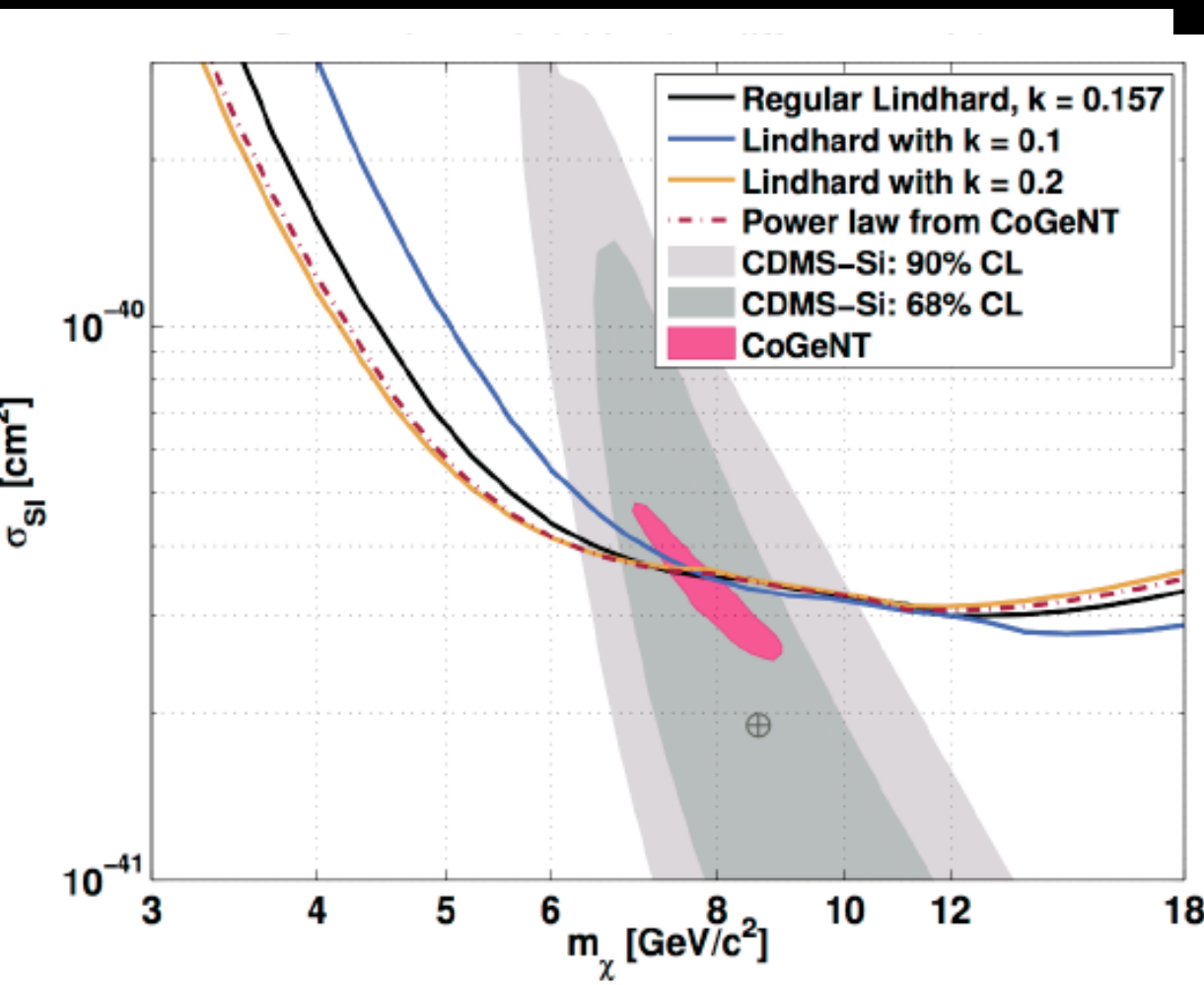
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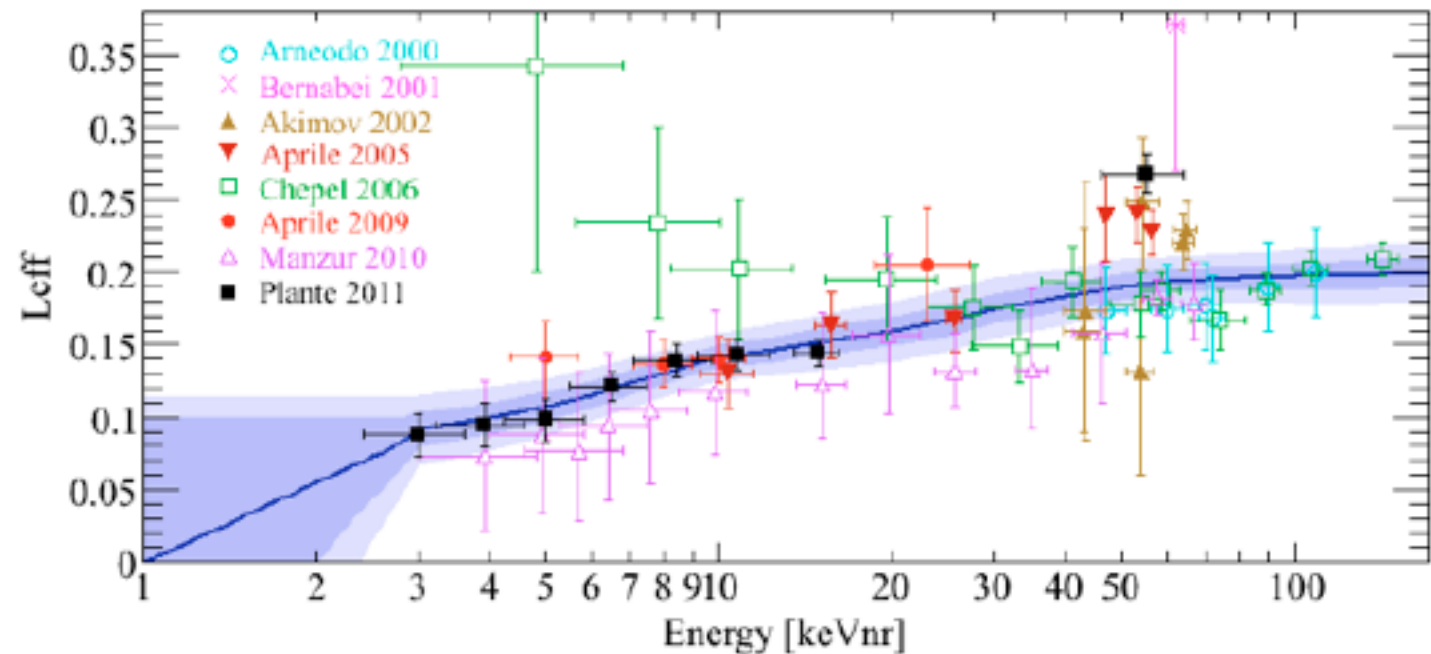
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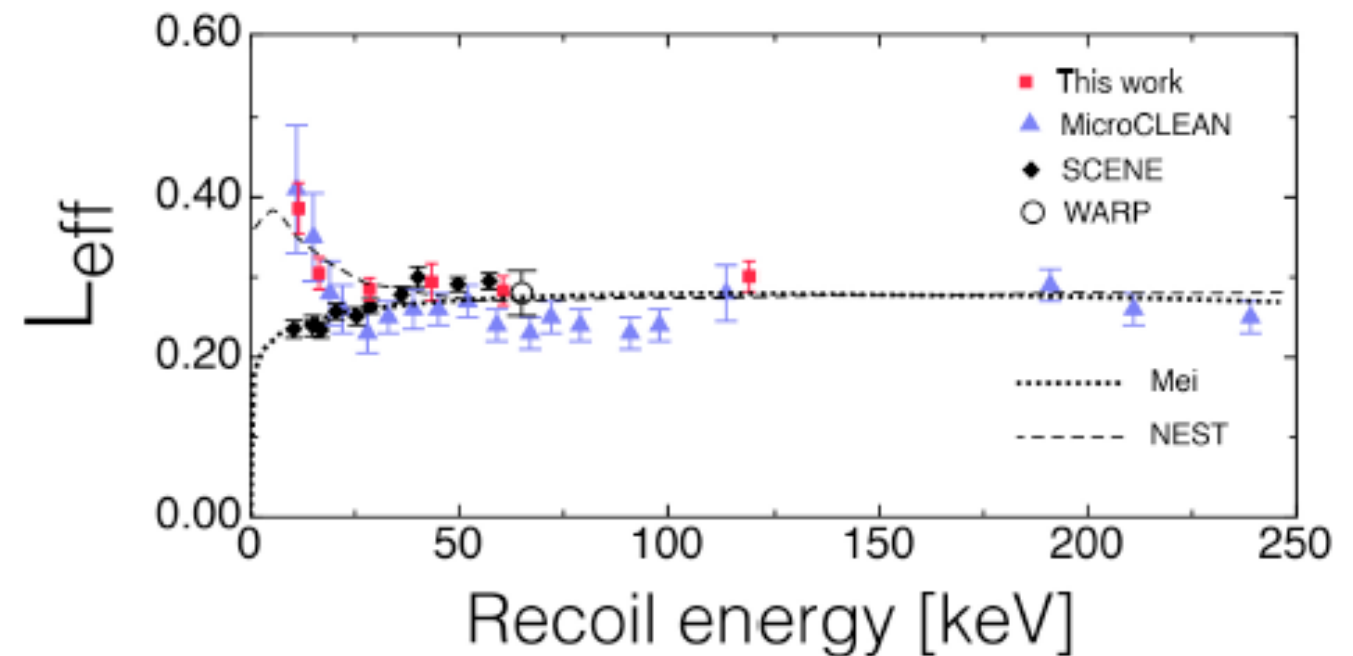
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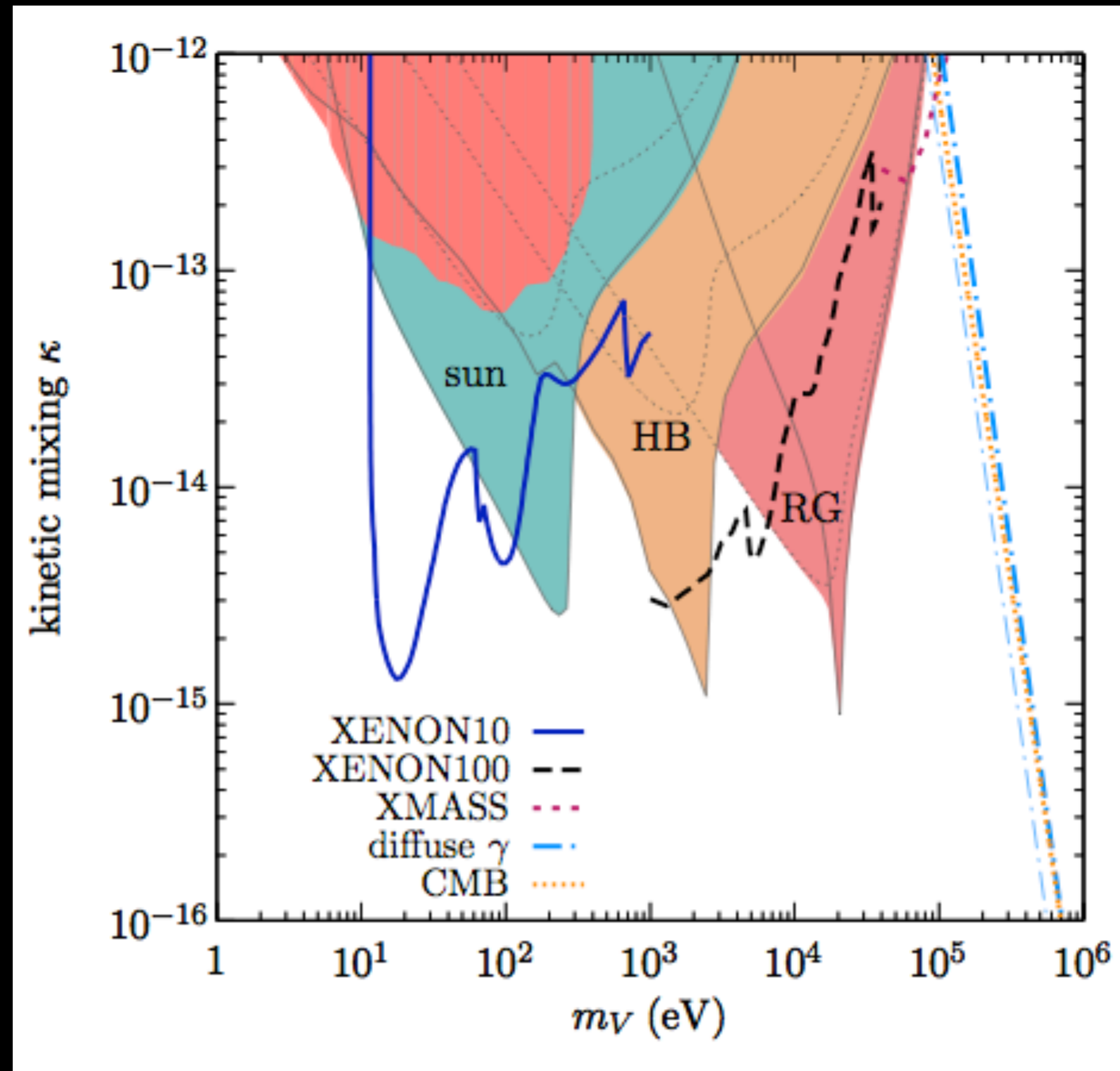
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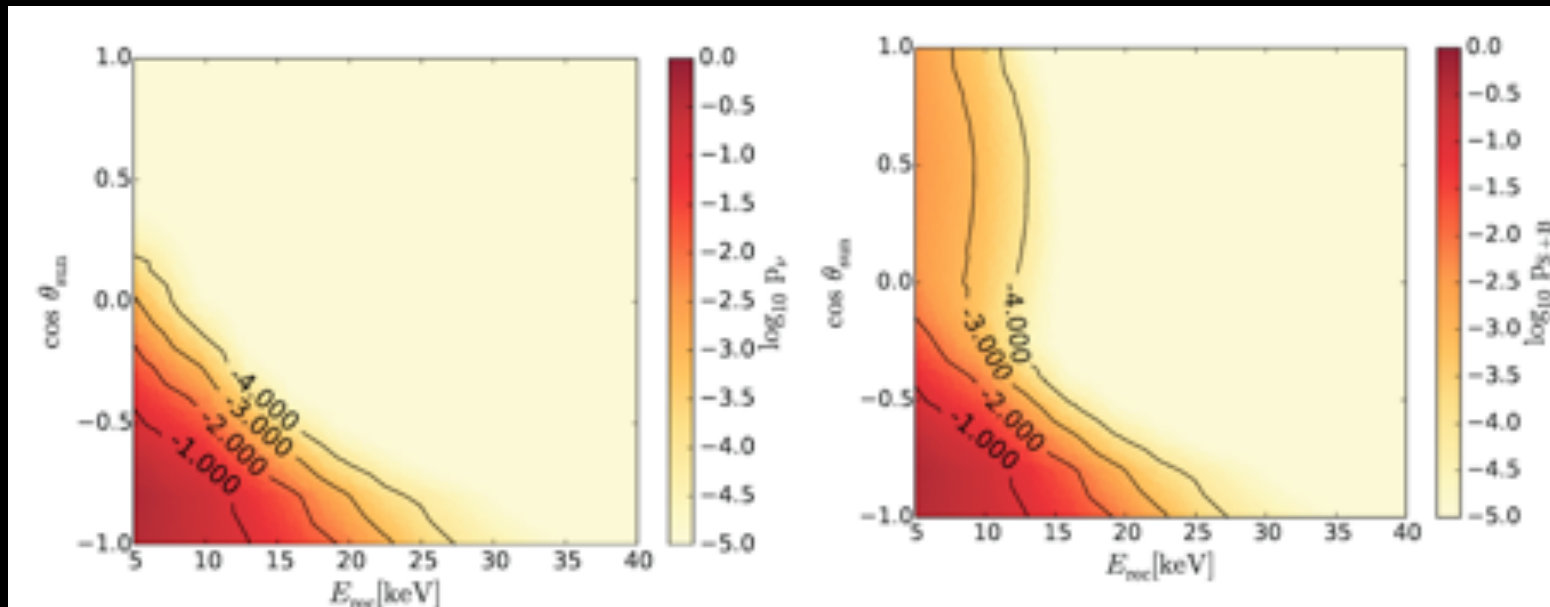
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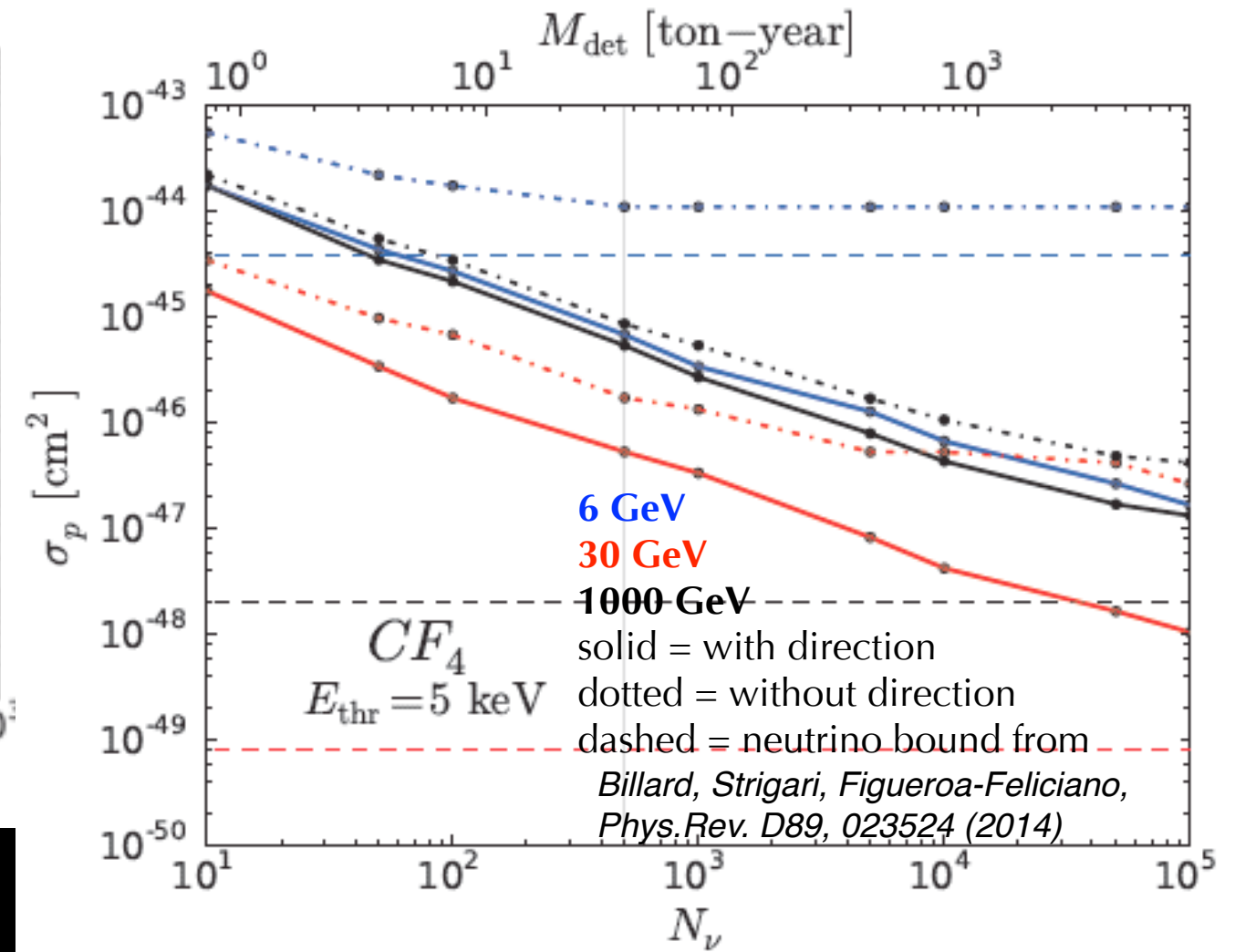
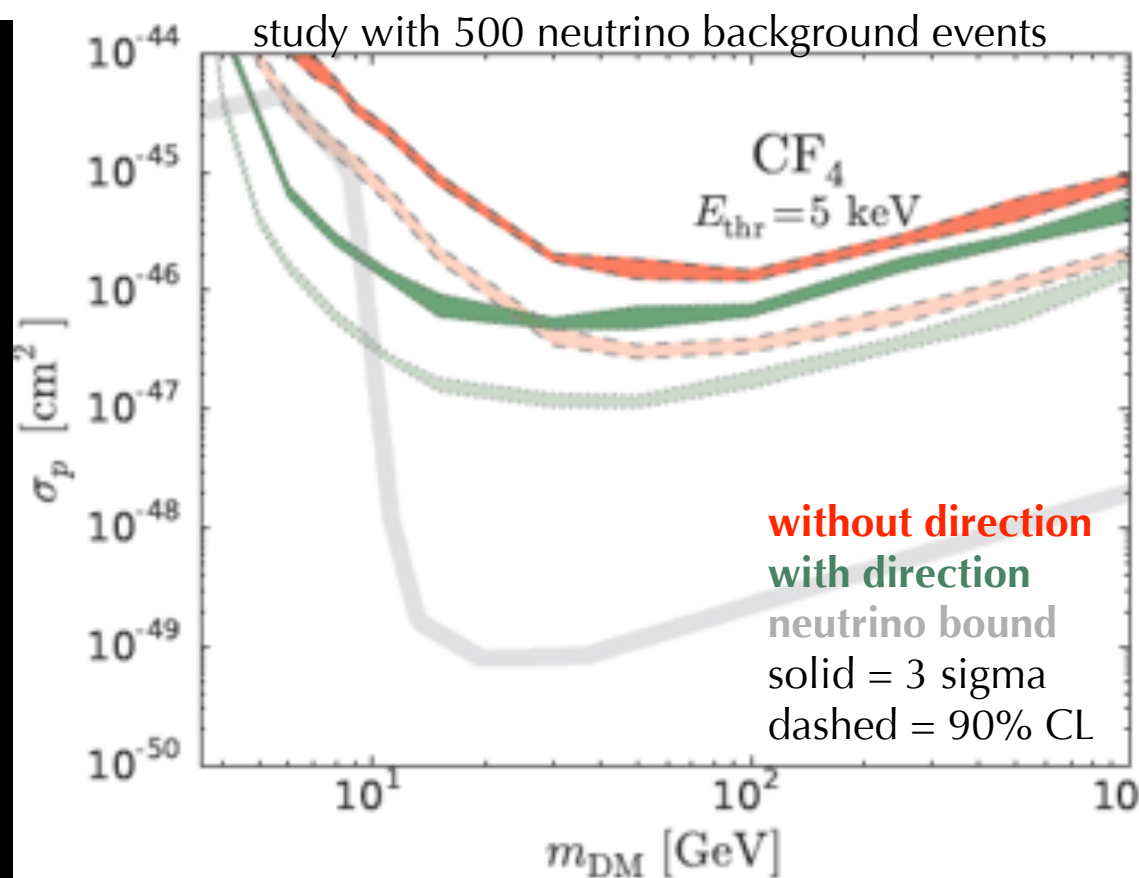
Beyond the Neutrino Bound

PDFs in (energy, angle, time) of event for coherent solar nu background vs. background+signal show significant differences, including 35° resolution:

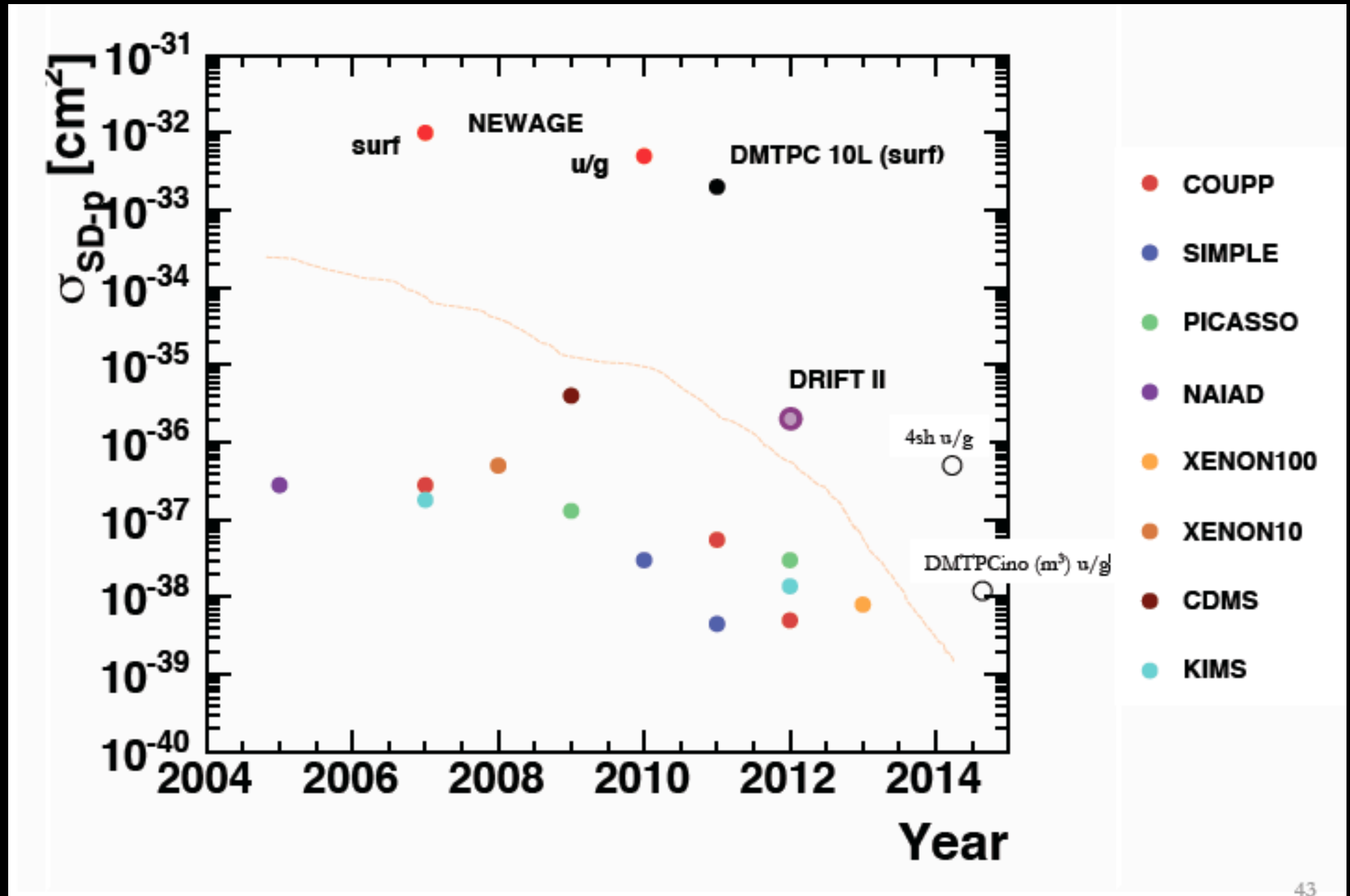


statistical test (CLs) shows

- directionality gains 10x in sensitivity with background
- no neutrino bound for directional detectors!



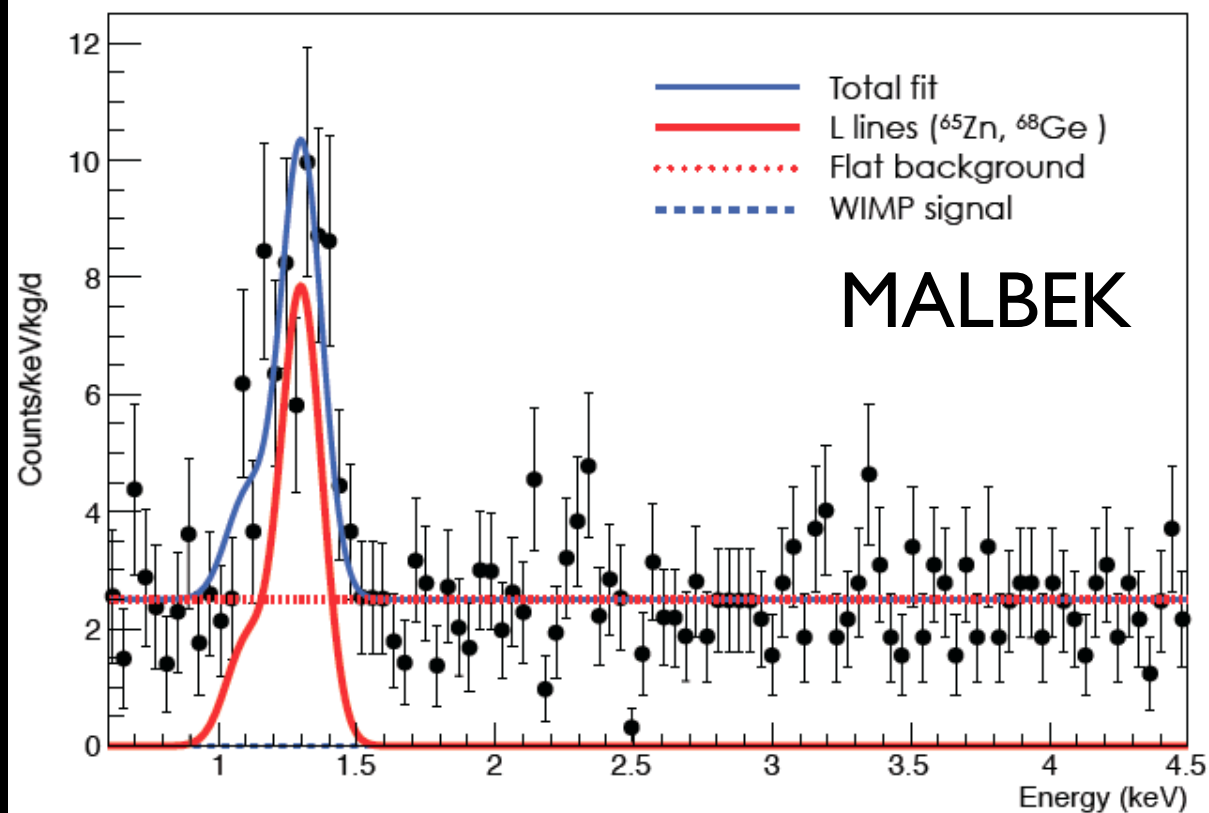
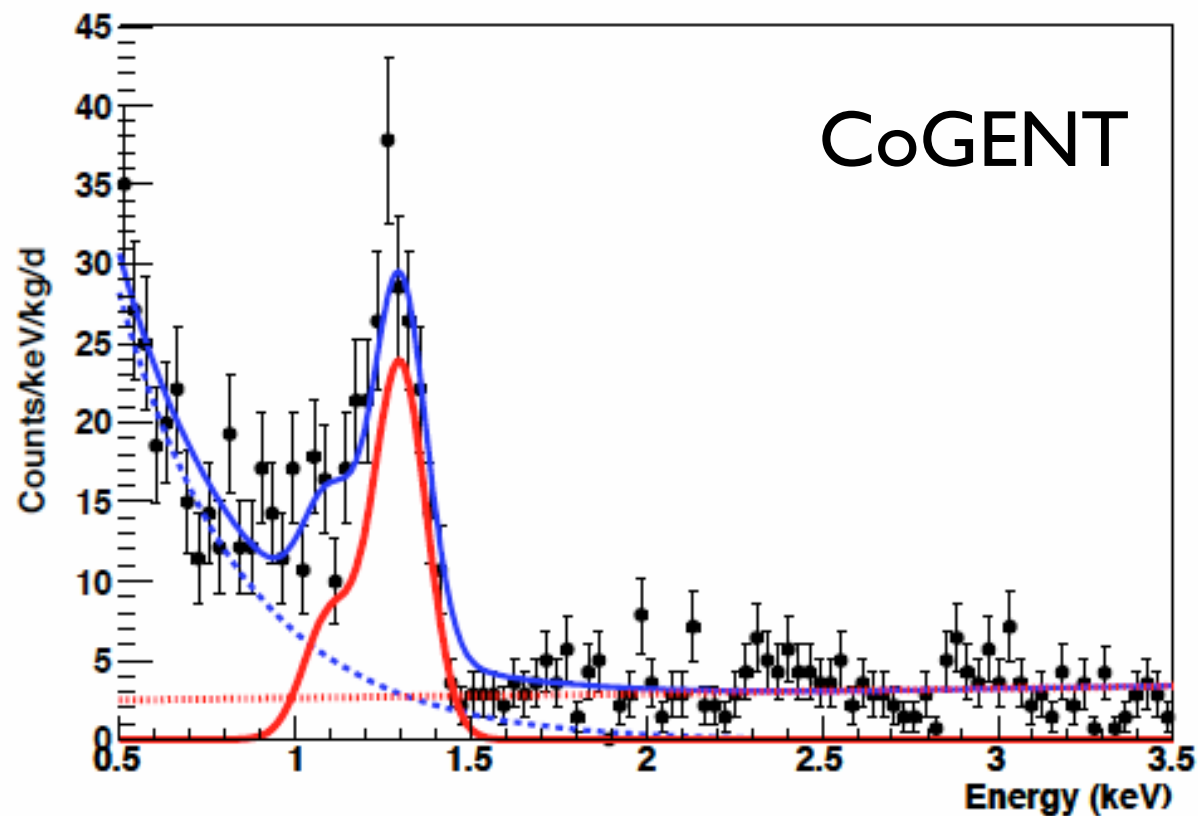
Directional Detection: Progress



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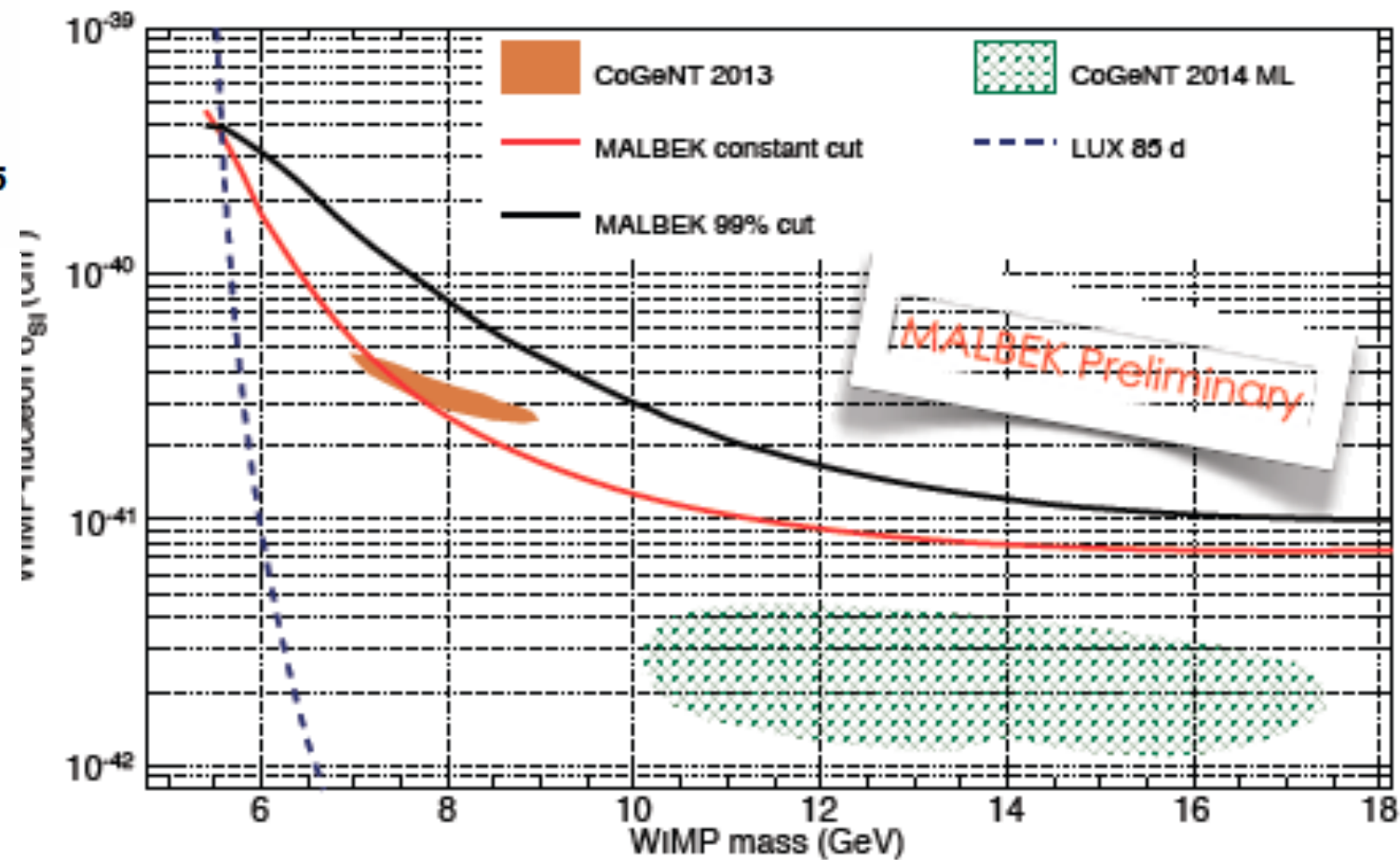
$O(1 \text{ m}^3)$ detector to be competitive with current non-directional SD searches
directionality is starting to catch up....

CoGENT and MALBEK



0.44 kg Ge detector, point contact

- 0.5 keV energy threshold
- COGENT: excess fit by 8 GeV WIMP
- MALBEK: similar detector, assayed detector components, found Pb-210 background from clam reran without them, best fit: no DM



- CoGENT 2013 allowed region excluded, CoGENT 2014 region allowed