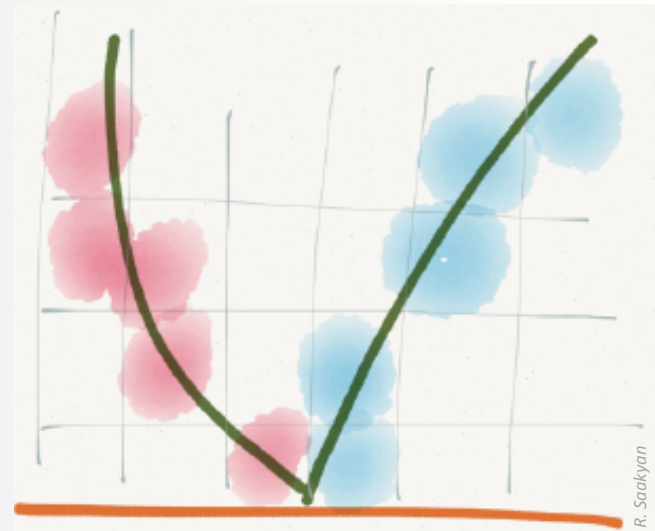
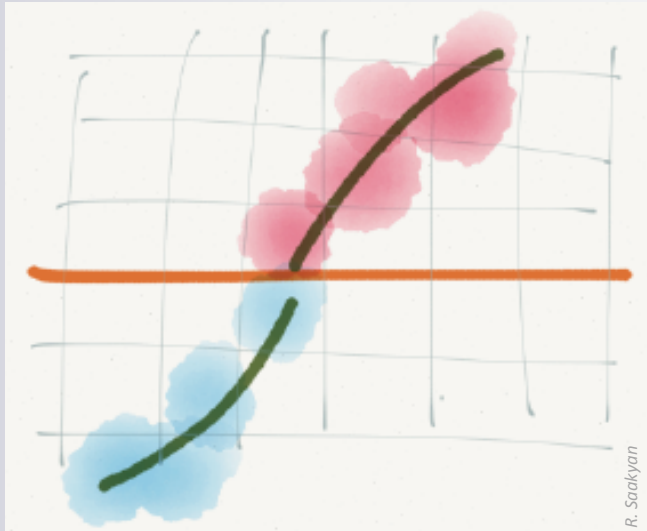
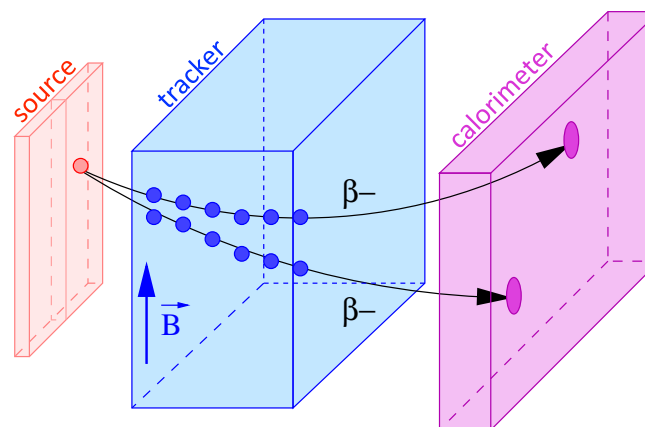


# SuperNEMO



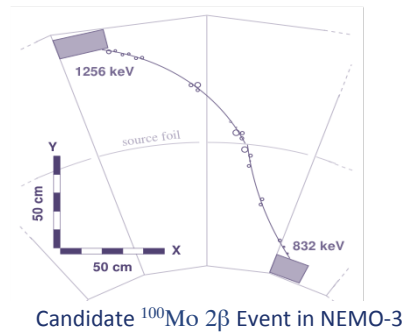
DBD workshop – APC – 04 September 2018

**Christine Marquet**

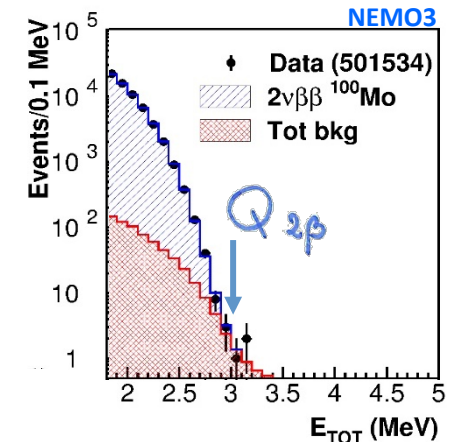
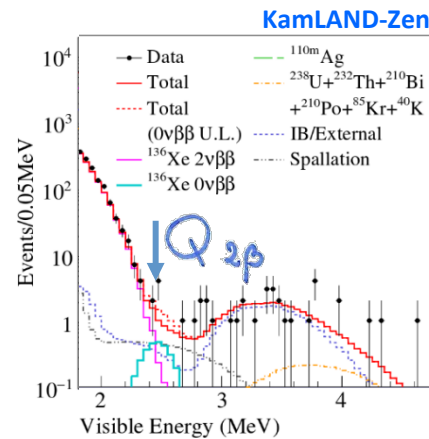


- Particle ( $e^\pm, \gamma, \alpha$ ) identification  
 ■ Kinematic :  $E_{\text{individual}}, \theta, \text{tof}$ 
}
→
Full topological event reconstruction
⊕
  
- Source separated from detector
 
→
(almost) Any isotope
⊕
  
- Poorer efficiency & energy resolution than “homogeneous” detectors
 
⊖

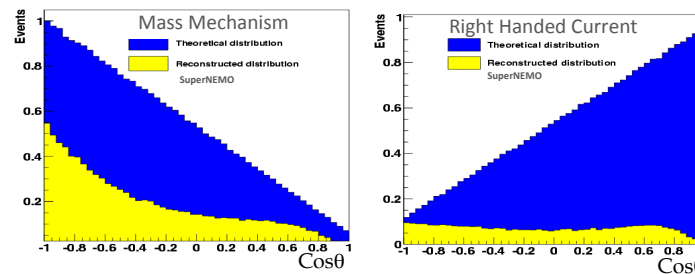
Signal signature :  $2e^-$   
« smoking gun » evidence



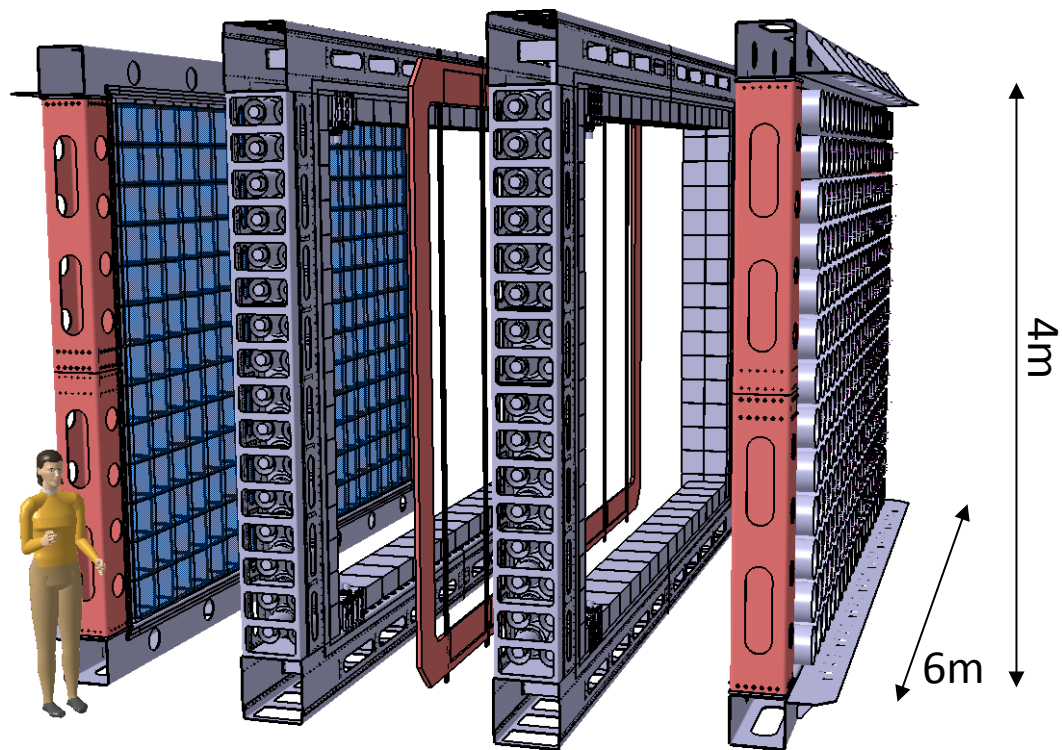
Background  
suppression & control



$\beta\beta 0\nu$  mechanisms



Calorimeter Tracker  $\beta\beta$  source Tracker Calorimeter



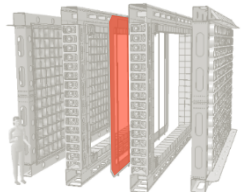
**Demonstrator Module**

Located in Modane underground Laboratory (LSM) at  $\sim 4800$  m.w.e



22 laboratories  
140 members





**Source**

**6 kg of  $^{82}\text{Se}$**

+ 0.333 kg of Cu

$$Q_{2\beta} = 2.998 \text{ MeV}$$

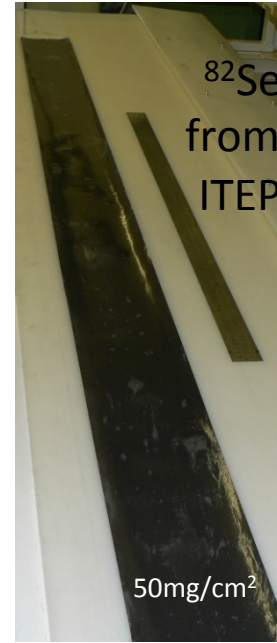
$$T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = 9.6 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ y}$$

### R&D on Purification methods

- Barium precipitation (INL, USA)
- Double distillation (ECP, Russia)
- Chromatographic via ion exchange (JINR, Russia)

### R&D on Source foil production 34 foils

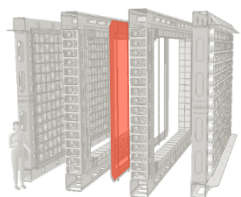
- ( $^{82}\text{Se}$  + PVA) dried on irradiated mylar (ITEP, Russia)
- ( $^{82}\text{Se}$  + PVA) Molded and sandwiched into mylar (LAPP, France)



**Achieved radiopurity**       $22 \pm 10 \text{ } \mu\text{Bq/kg } ^{208}\text{Tl}$        $< 290 \text{ } \mu\text{Bq/kg } ^{214}\text{Bi}$

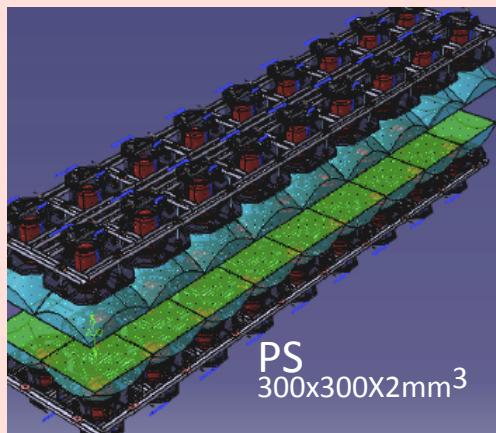
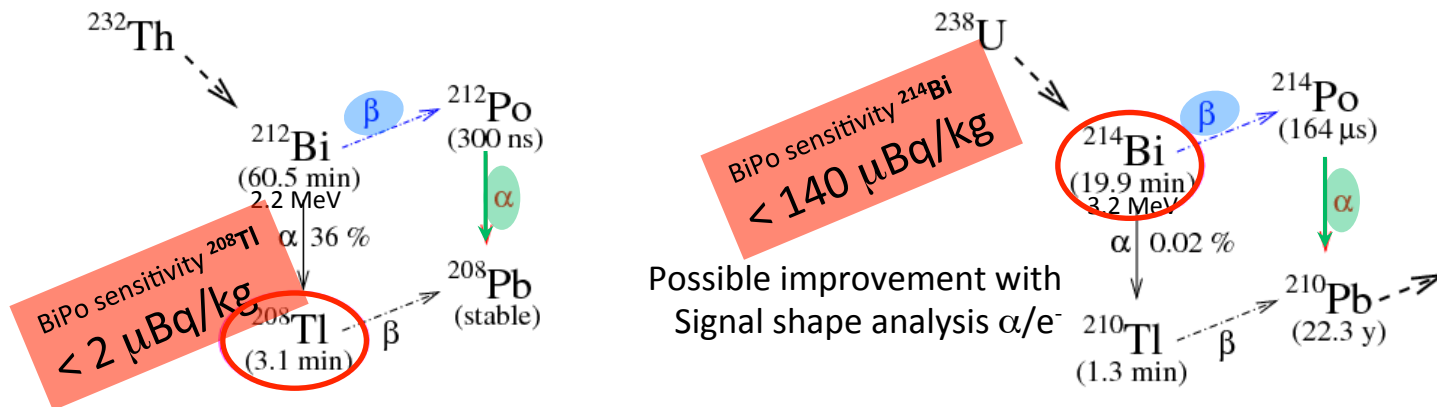
Radiopurity improvement / NEMO3 (> factor 10 for  $^{82}\text{Se}$ , factor  $\sim 5$  on  $^{208}\text{Tl}$  for  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ )

Improvement on chromatographic method should be possible (under study)



Source

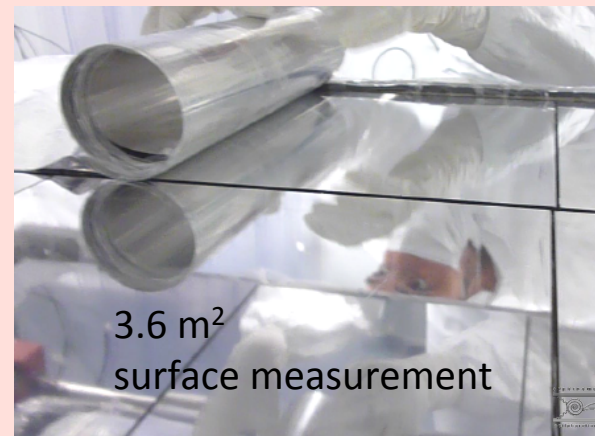
### BiPo detector: for $^{214}\text{Bi}$ & $^{208}\text{Tl}$ measurements of thin materials



40 X 2 Optical modules



Rn tightness & Nitrogen flush





**BiPo detector**

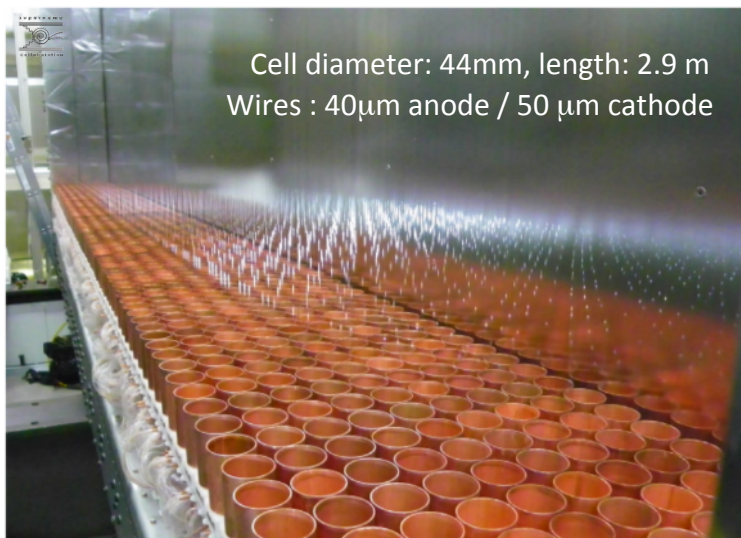
At LSCanfranc







## 2034 drift cells in Geiger mode



### Radiopure (gamma & radon)

- Ultrapure materials : copper, steel, duracon
- Construction under clean constraints
- Sealing strategy

First Rn test :  $0.16 \pm 0.05$  mBq/m<sup>3</sup>  
Objectives: 0.15 / NEMO3:  $6.46 \pm 0.05$  mBq/m<sup>3</sup>

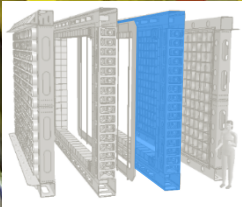
$\sigma_l = 13$  mm  
 $\sigma_t = 7$  mm

Prototype 90 cells  
Higher length: 3.7 m

Robotic construction



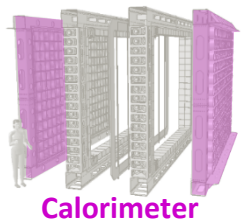




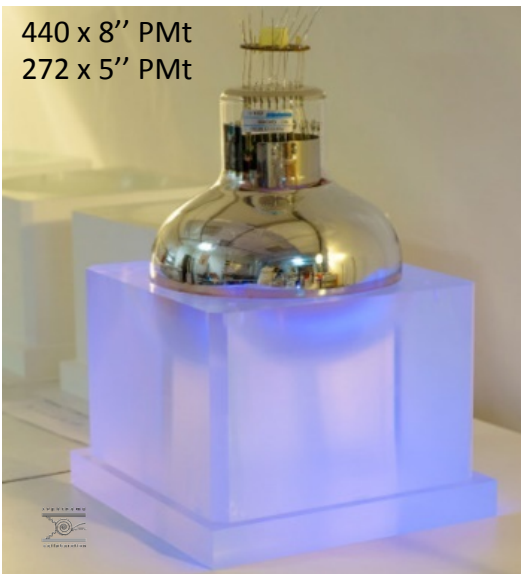
First Tracker

in LSM





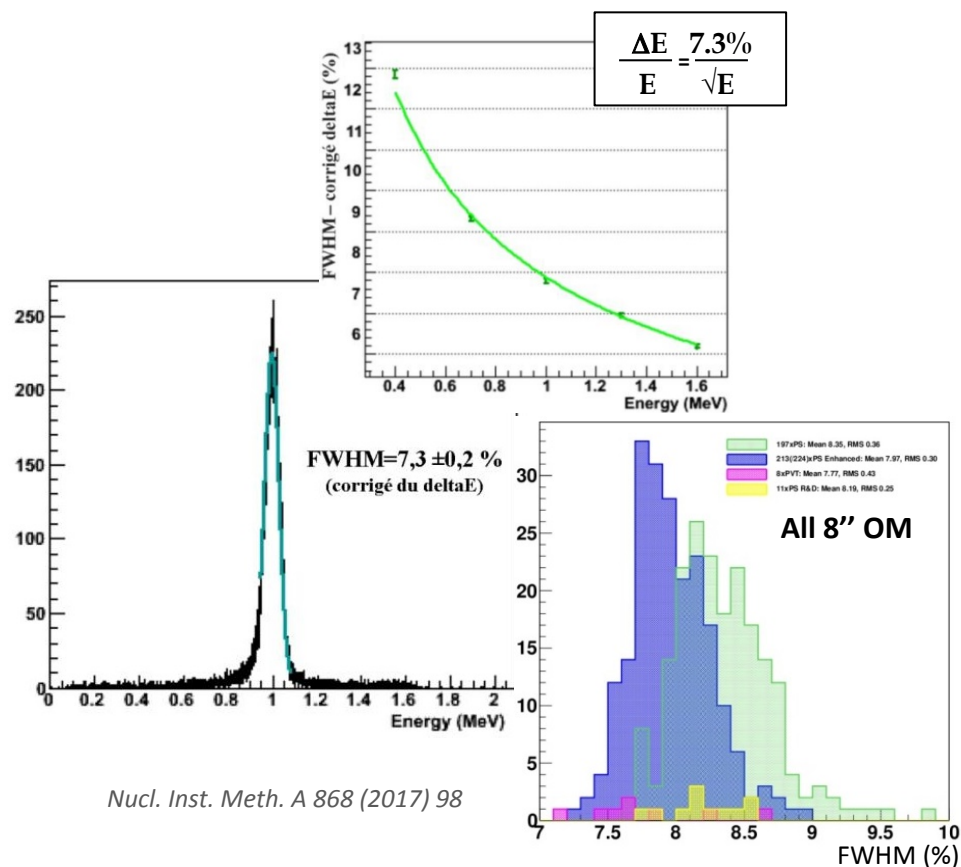
## 712 Optical modules



New PS (Envinet)  
New PMTs (Hamamatsu)  
R&D on new radiopure glass

Time resolution : 400 ps @ 1 MeV  
Calibration accuracy < 1%

**Energy resolution:  
8% FWHM @ 1 MeV (15% NEMO3)**

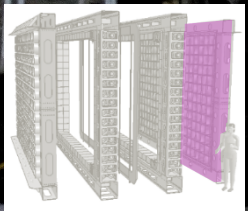






# First calorimeter wall

in LSM





Calorimeter

Tracker

Tracker

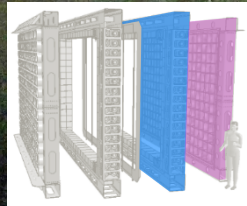
Calorimeter

SuperNEMO

in LSM





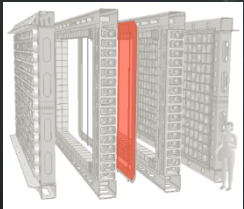
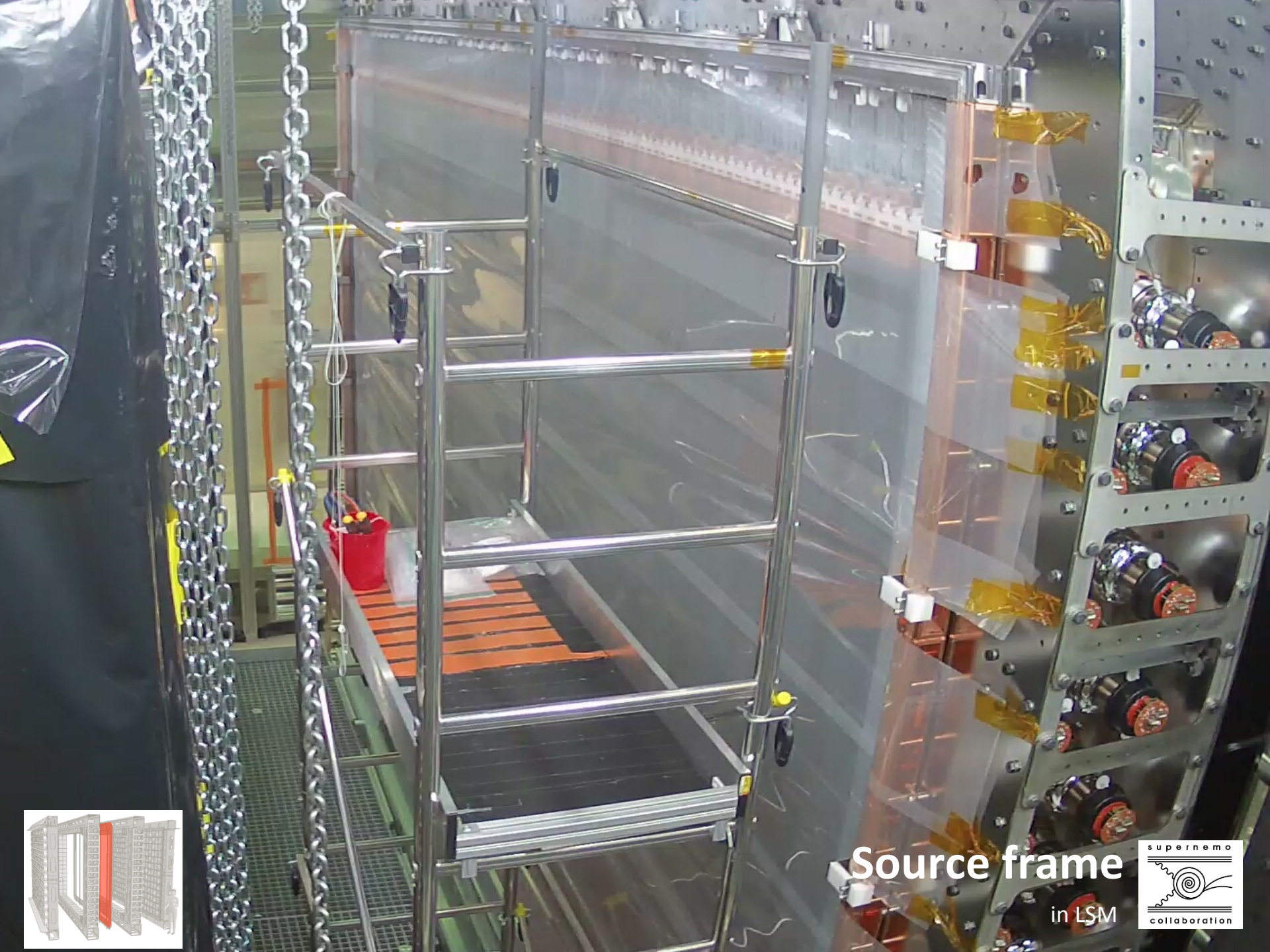


SuperNEMO

in LSM







Source frame

in LSM



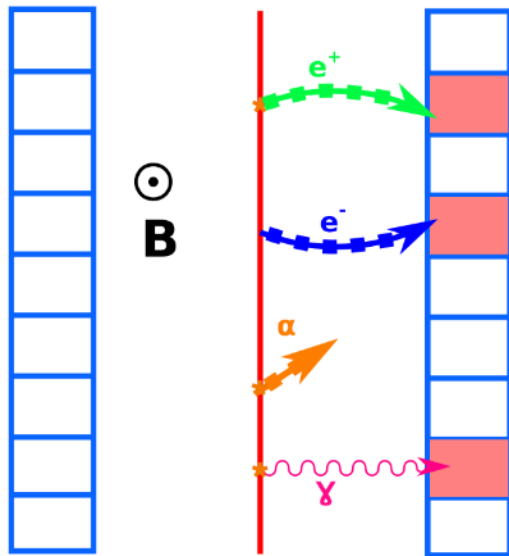




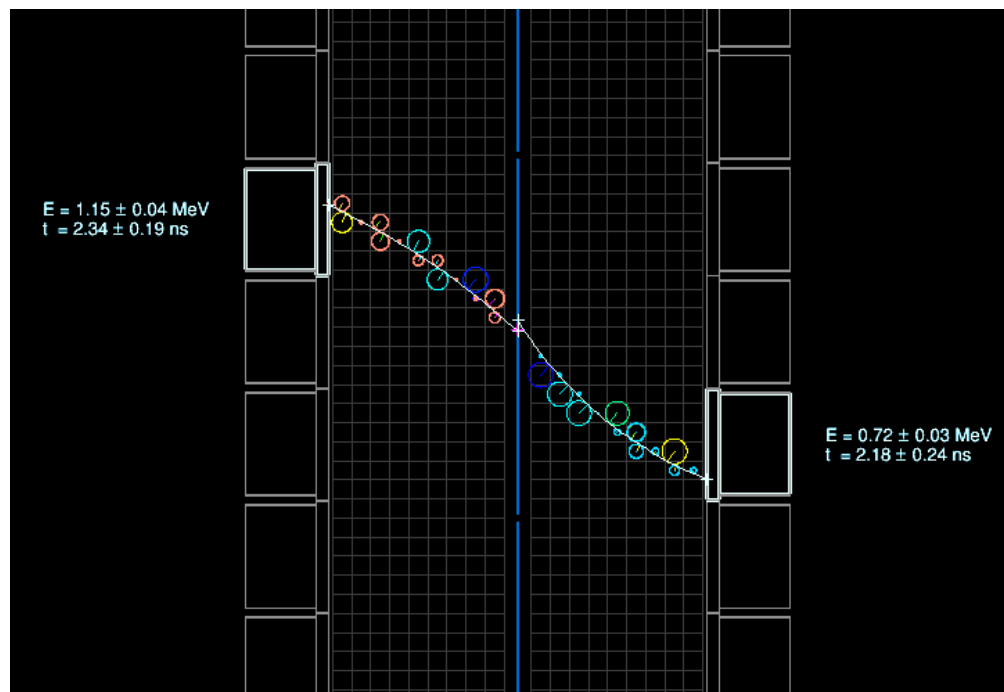
## Calibration vessels

Top of the detector - LSM



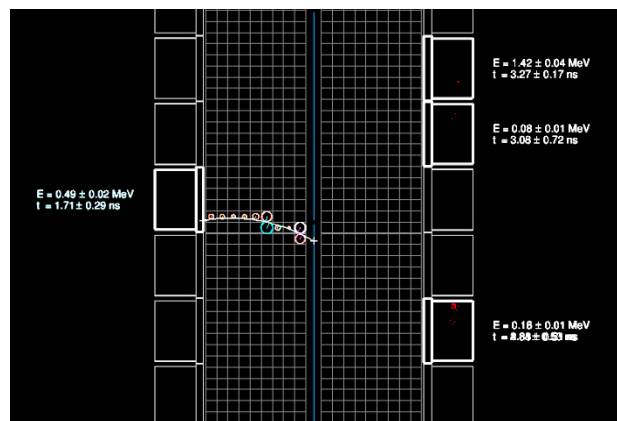
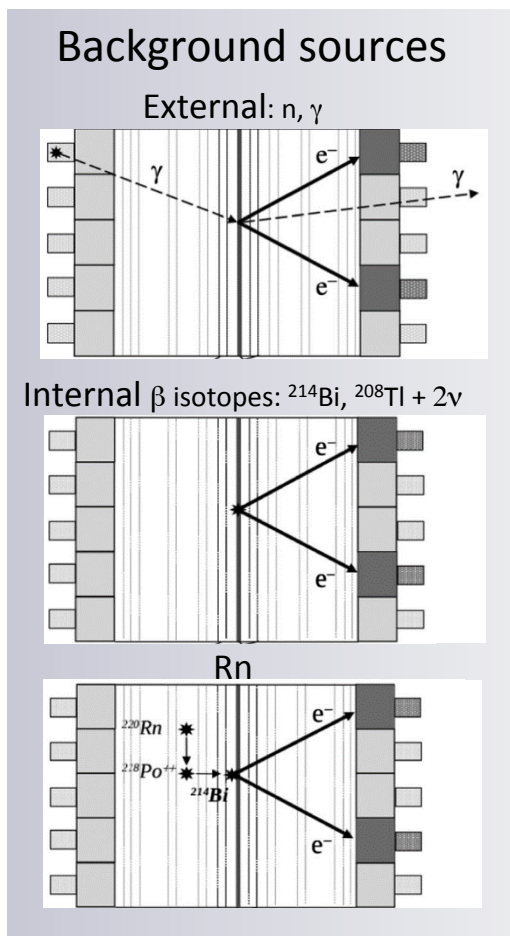


## Particle identification



Simulated  $\beta\beta$  event in SuperNEMO

# Background identification

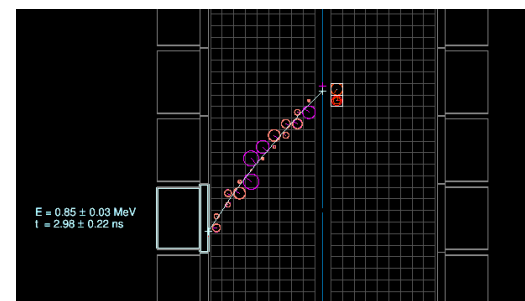


*e $\gamma\gamma$  event (SuperNEMO simulation)*

Rejection  
+  
control  
(dedicated channels)

External	<0.1
Radon	0.20
$^{214}\text{Bi}$	0.04
$^{208}\text{Tl}$	0.04
$2\beta 2\nu$	0.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>&lt;0.50</b>

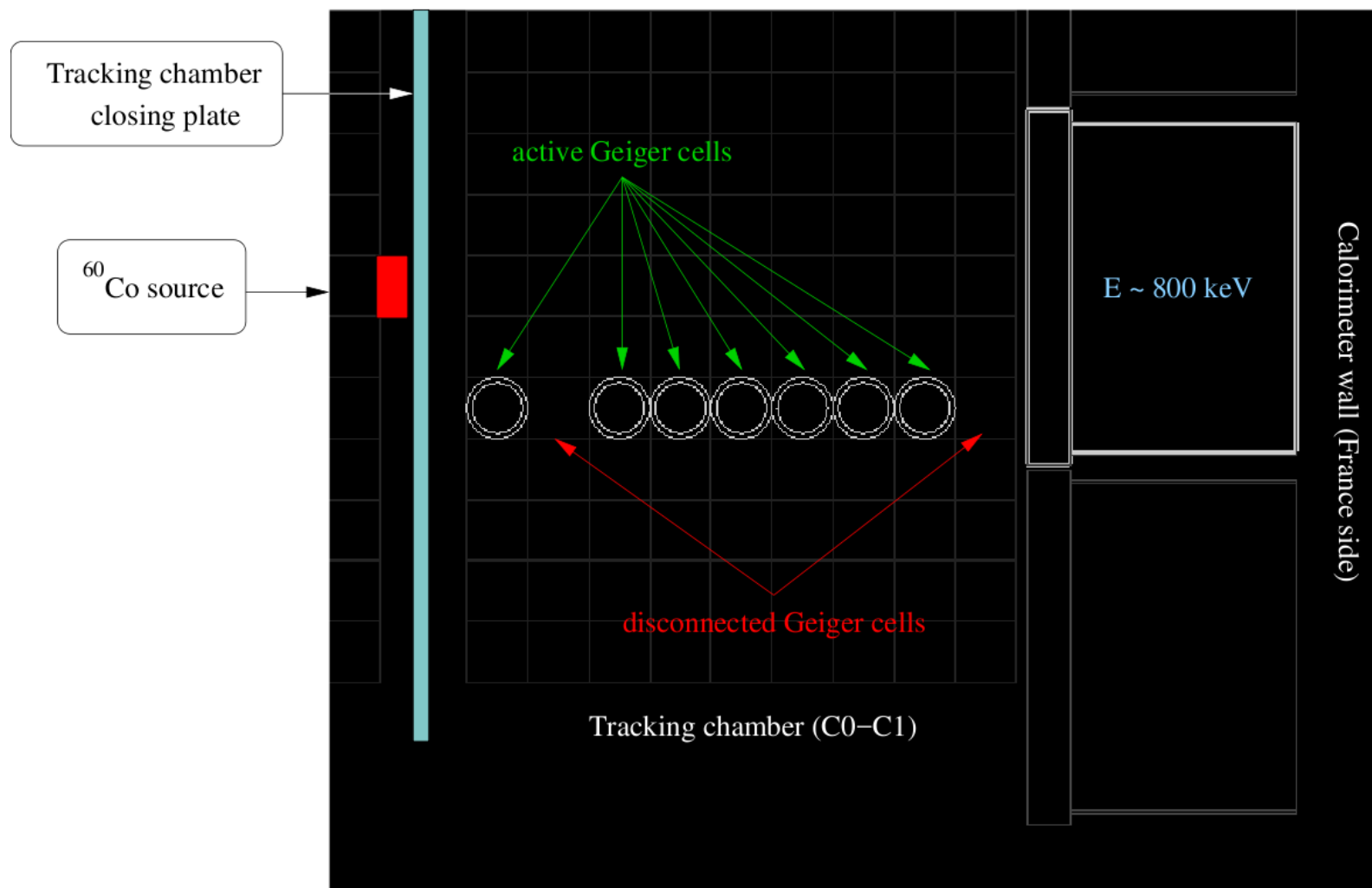
SuperNEMO 17.5 kg.an



*e $\alpha$  event (SuperNEMO simulation)*

$6 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ events kg}^{-1} \text{ y}^{-1} \text{ keV}^{-1}$

NEMO3:  $10^{-3} \text{ events kg}^{-1} \text{ y}^{-1} \text{ keV}^{-1}$



### SuperNEMO Phase 1: 6kg $^{82}\text{Se}$ (2018-2020)

Detector closure : September 2018

➤ Test the detector performances (background : 1 year)

$^{82}\text{Se}$  17.5 kg.y

$$T_{1/2}(0\nu) > 5 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ y} \quad \langle m_\nu \rangle < 0.26\text{-}0.51 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{NEMO3 } ^{82}\text{Se}: T_{1/2}(0\nu) > 0.25 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ y} \quad \langle m_\nu \rangle < 1.2\text{-}2.3 \text{ eV}$$

### SuperNEMO Phase 2: few kg of $^{150}\text{Nd}$ in the demonstrator

Enrichment under progress in Russia : new centrifugation method

Sensitivity of 6kg  $^{150}\text{Nd}$   $\sim$  12 kg  $^{82}\text{Se}$

First investigation with high exposure

### SuperNEMO Phase 3 : 100 kg scale

R&D on the compactness (cost, efficiency...)

Improvement on energy resolution feasible

**Goal :  $\langle m_\nu \rangle < 0.05 \text{ eV}$**

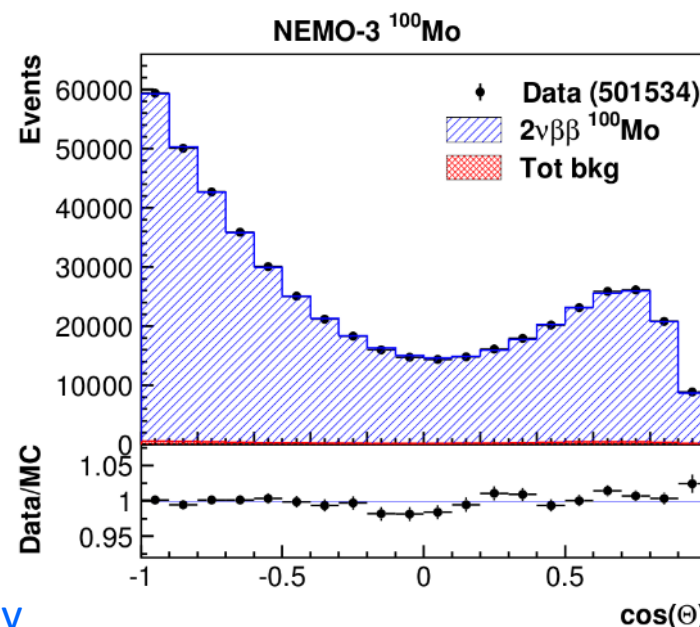
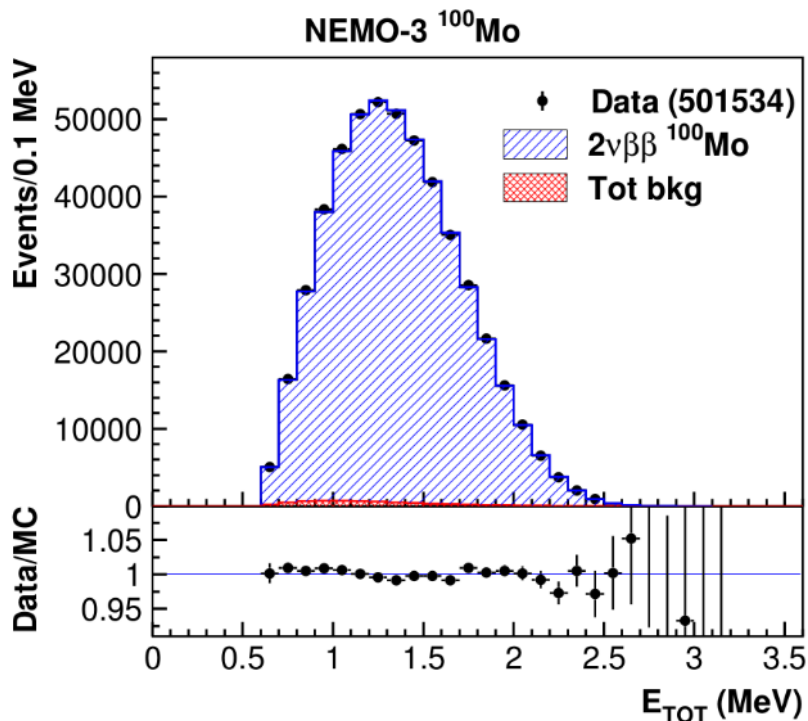
Unique experiment:

- to provide DBD « smoking gun » evidence *if signal in another experiment*
- ... on (almost) any isotope
- To identify the DBD mechanism
- By-products : gA ...



NEMO3 :  $5 \times 10^5$   $2\beta 2\nu$  events (34.3 kg.y of  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ )

S/B=79

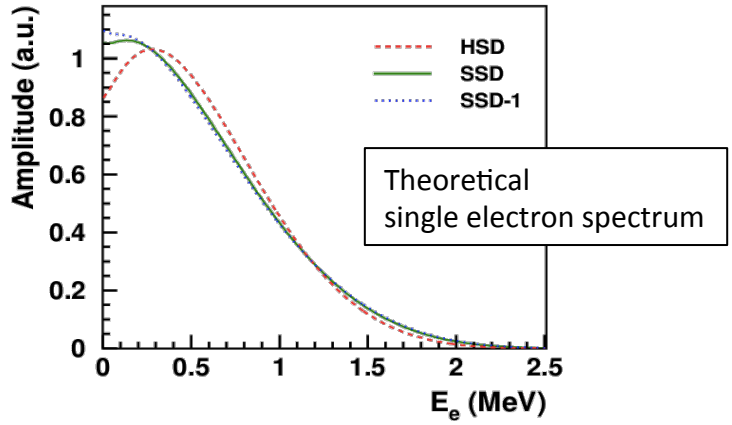
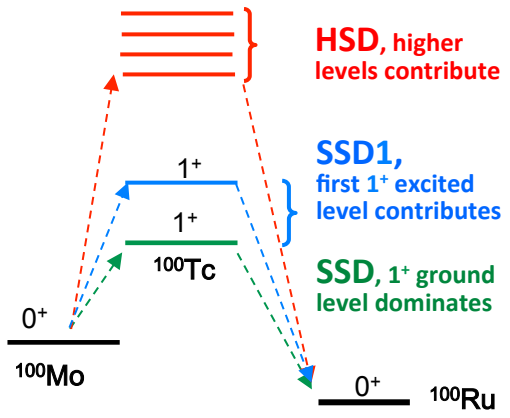


$$T_{1/2} = (6.81 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}) \pm 0.46(\text{syst})) \times 10^{18} \text{ y}$$

First precise measurement of the angular distribution

To be published (2018)

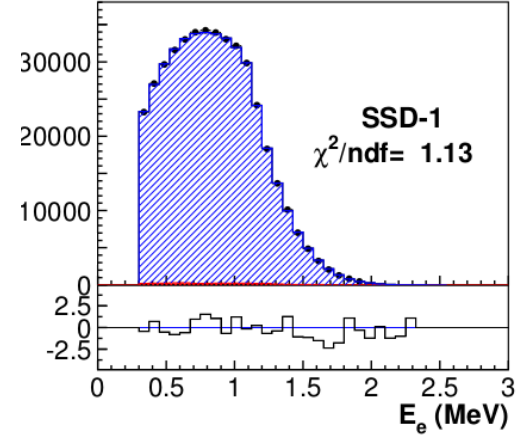
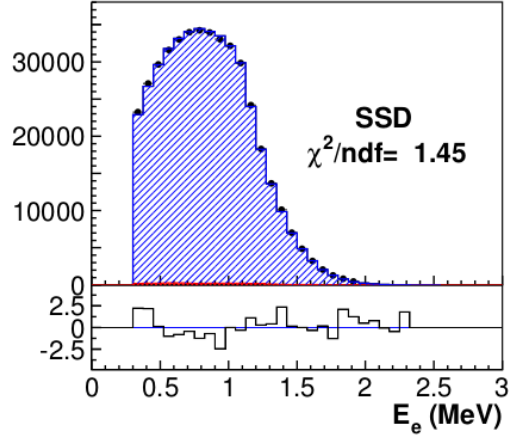
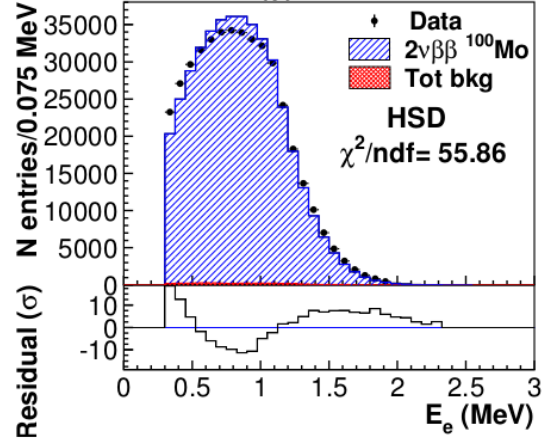




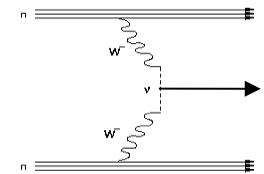
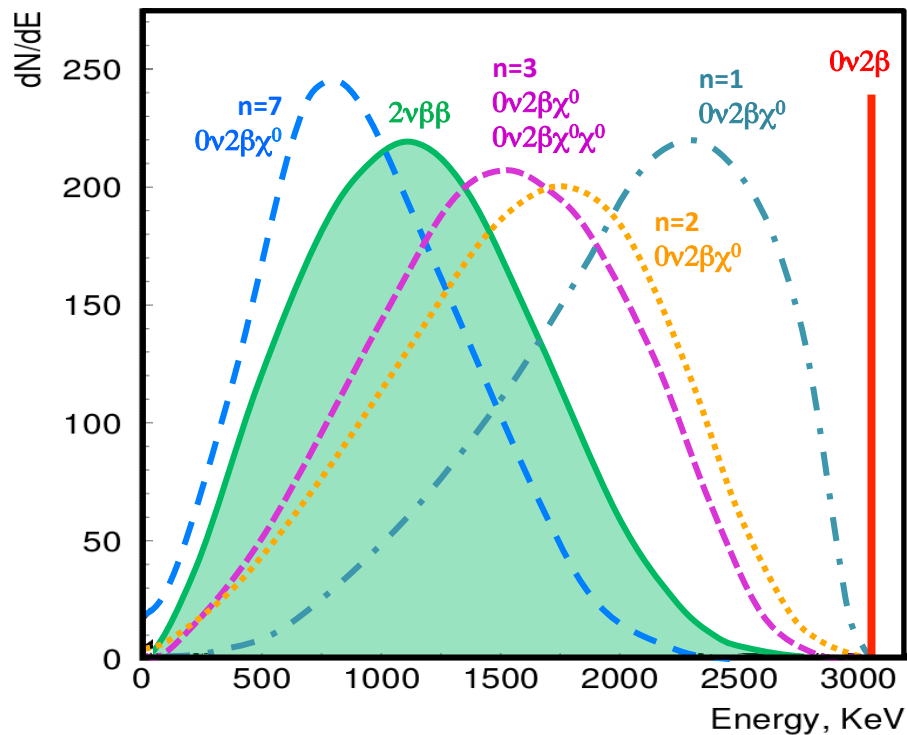
### HSD mechanism rejected from $^{100}\text{Mo}$ single $e^-$ spectra

To be published (2018)

NEMO3 data ( $E_{\text{tot}} > 1.4$  MeV)



$\beta\beta(0\nu)$  with Majoron emission



Majoron coupling constant

**NEMO3**

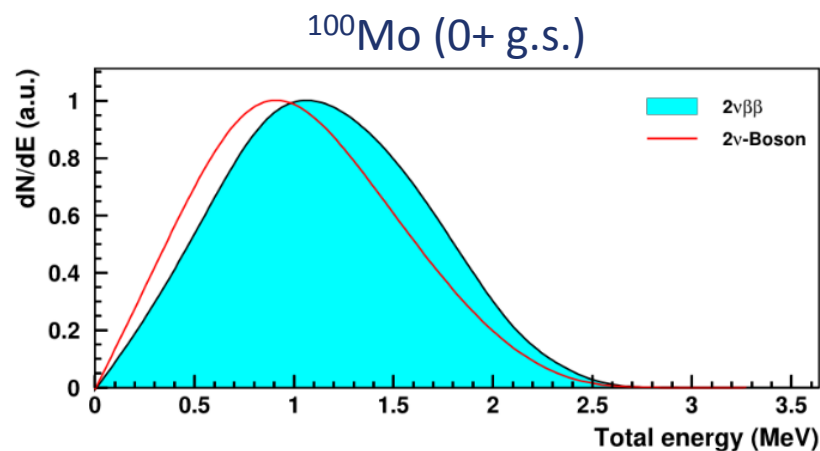
$$\langle g_{ee} \rangle < (1,6-4,2) 10^{-5}$$

$n=1, 0\nu 2\beta\chi^0$

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## Pauli principle violation ? (stronger for $\nu$ )

- Bosonic** component impact on  $\beta\beta 2\nu$  :
- total rates of the decays
  - energy distributions
  - angular distributions



### NEMO3

$$P_{\text{tot}}^{2\nu} = \cos^4\chi P_f^{2\nu} + \sin^4\chi P_b^{2\nu}$$

$$\sin^2\chi < 0.27$$

Pure bosonic statistics excluded

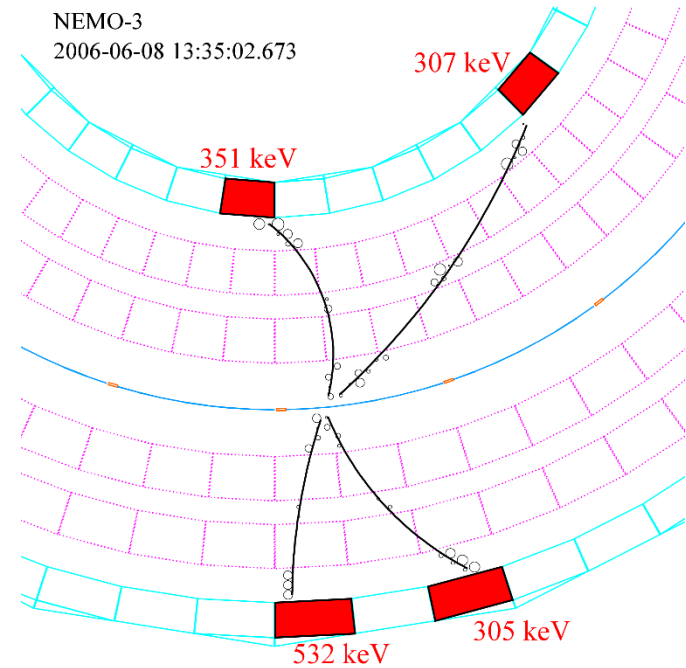
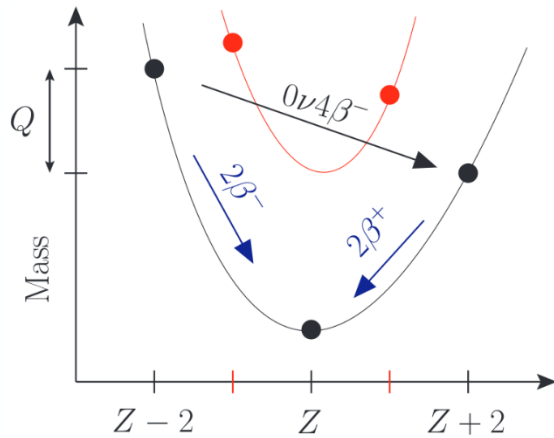
Remark : higher expected bosonic sensitivity for  $^{100}\text{Mo}$   $\beta\beta 2\nu$  to **excited  $2^+_1$  state**

Expected  $T_{1/2}(2^+_1, \text{pure bosonic}) = 2.4 \cdot 10^{22}$  y  
 Expected  $T_{1/2}(2^+_1, \text{pure fermionic}) = 1.7 \cdot 10^{23}$  y

BUT limit today :  $T_{1/2}(2^+_1) > 2.5 \cdot 10^{21}$  y

## Neutrinoless quadruple beta decay

- Proposed by Heeck and Rodejohann  
*Europhys. Lett.* 103, (2013) 32001
- Lepton number violating process
- Dirac neutrinos & 0ν2β forbidden
- Best candidate:  $^{150}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{150}\text{Gd} + 4e$   
 $Q_{4\beta} = 2.079 \text{ MeV}$



### NEMO3

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu 4\beta} > (1.1 - 3.2) 10^{21} \text{ y}$$

World's first limit

*Phys. Rev. Lett.* 119 (2017) 041801

## SuperNEMO : a unique tracker-calorimeter experiment

- 2 electron **visualisation**: DBD « smoking gun » evidence
- Identification of the **DBD mechanism** (light neutrino, V+A, SUSY, Majoron...)
- **By-products** of DBD Physics : HSD/SSD;  $4\beta$ , bosonic neutrinos excited states...

## Data taking this year

- Most precise study of  $^{82}\text{Se}$  (6kg)
- New isotope like  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  is considered
- Lessons for a larger scale experiment (under study)

## SuperNEMO R&D results in new technical improvements on:

- **Radiopurity control** : BiPo detector, HPGe, Radon set-up (emanation, concentration, diffusion)
- **Source** enrichment ( $^{150}\text{Nd}$ ), purification methods
- Development of **new material** : radiopure glass, scintillators
- New **He gas recycling** method...