

## WP16: THEIA: Strange Hadrons and the Equation-of-State of Compact Stars

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# Deliverables:

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Annual workshops to guarantee effective and fruitful interactions

# Deliverable 16.1: $A=3$ hypernuclei

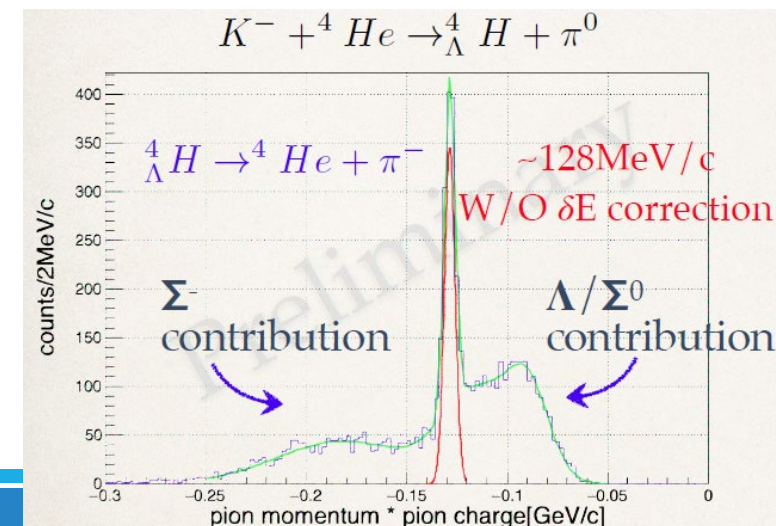
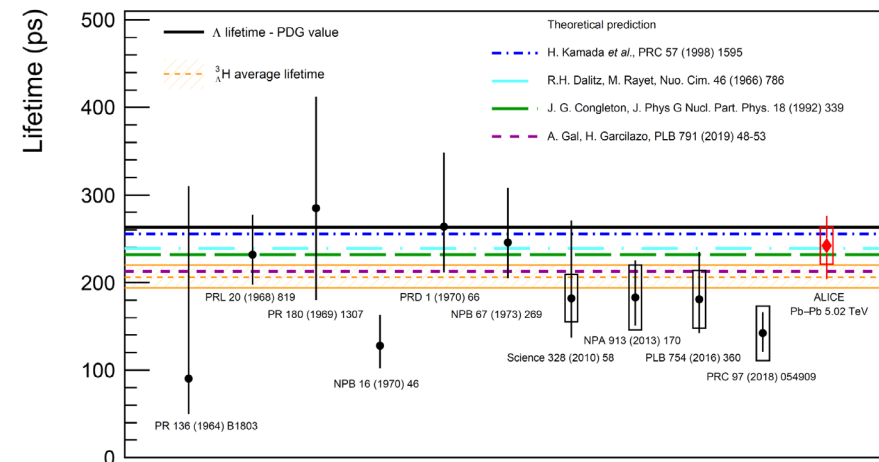
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- Hypertriton puzzle: very loosely bound system
  - Expected  $\tau({}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}) = \tau(\Lambda) \iff$  observed:  $\tau({}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}) < \tau(\Lambda)$
- Does a neutral  $A=3$  hypernucleus  $nn\Lambda$  exist?



# Deliverable 16.1: Hypertriton lifetime

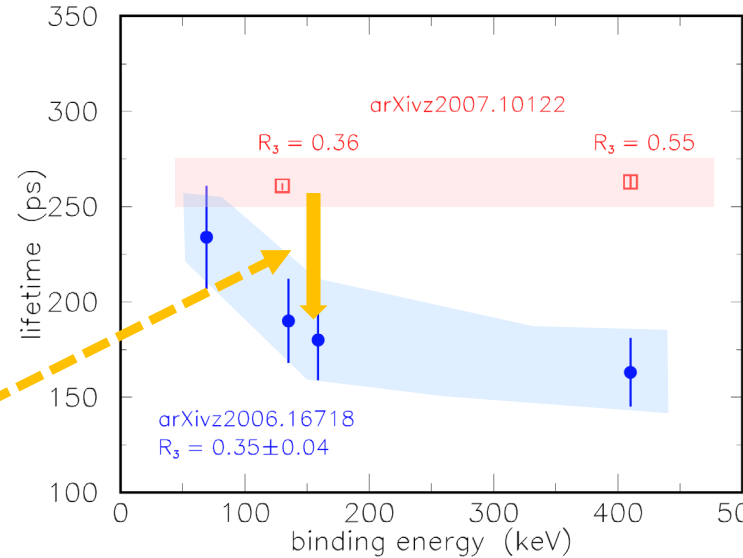
- recent ALICE and STAR data show small tension
  - average value still 20% below  $\tau(\Lambda)$
- J-PARC P73 successful test with  $^4\text{He}$  target ( $^4_\Lambda\text{H}$ )
  - world record of  $^4_\Lambda\text{H}$  decays in 3 days test
  - preliminary analysis suggests stat. error for lifetime  $\sim 10\text{ps}$
  - stage-1 approval
  - Waiting for  $^3\text{He}$  run
- Future activities: WASA@GSI; ELPH@TOHOKU



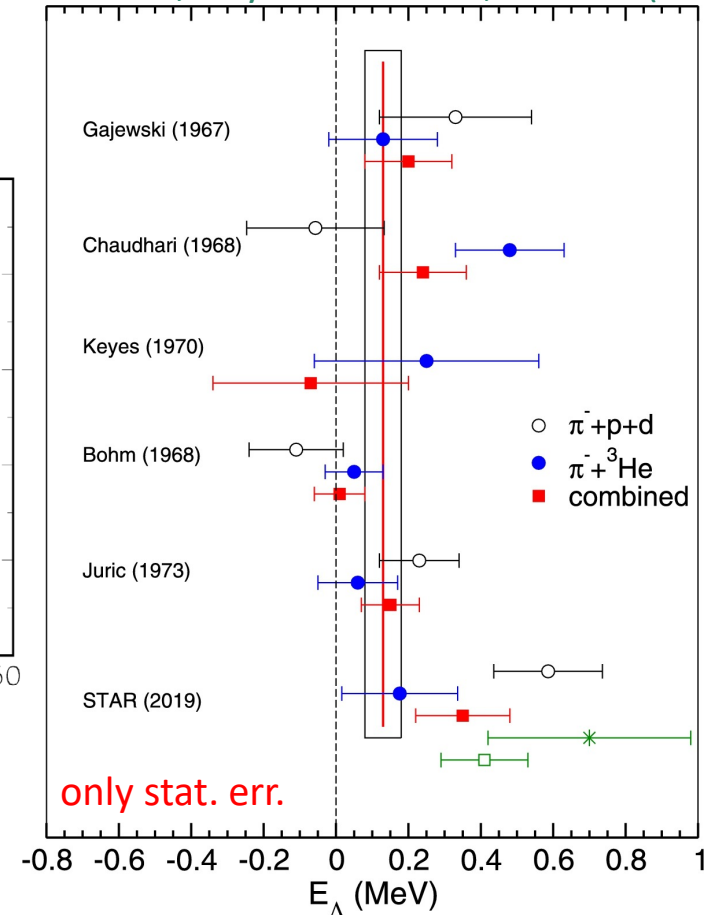
# Deliverable 16.1: Hypertriton binding energy

- Emulsion data suggest very small binding energy  $\sim 130\text{keV}$
- New data from STAR show stronger binding  $\sim 410\text{keV}$

- Hildebrand & Hammer, EFT, [arXiv:2007.10122](#)
  - Exp.  $R_3 \approx 0.35$  favors small BE
- Obiol et al., EFT, [arXiv:2006.16718](#)
  - $\pi$  distorted waves and
  - $\Sigma\text{NN}$  admixture important
  - $\Rightarrow$  strong relation between BE and  $\tau$

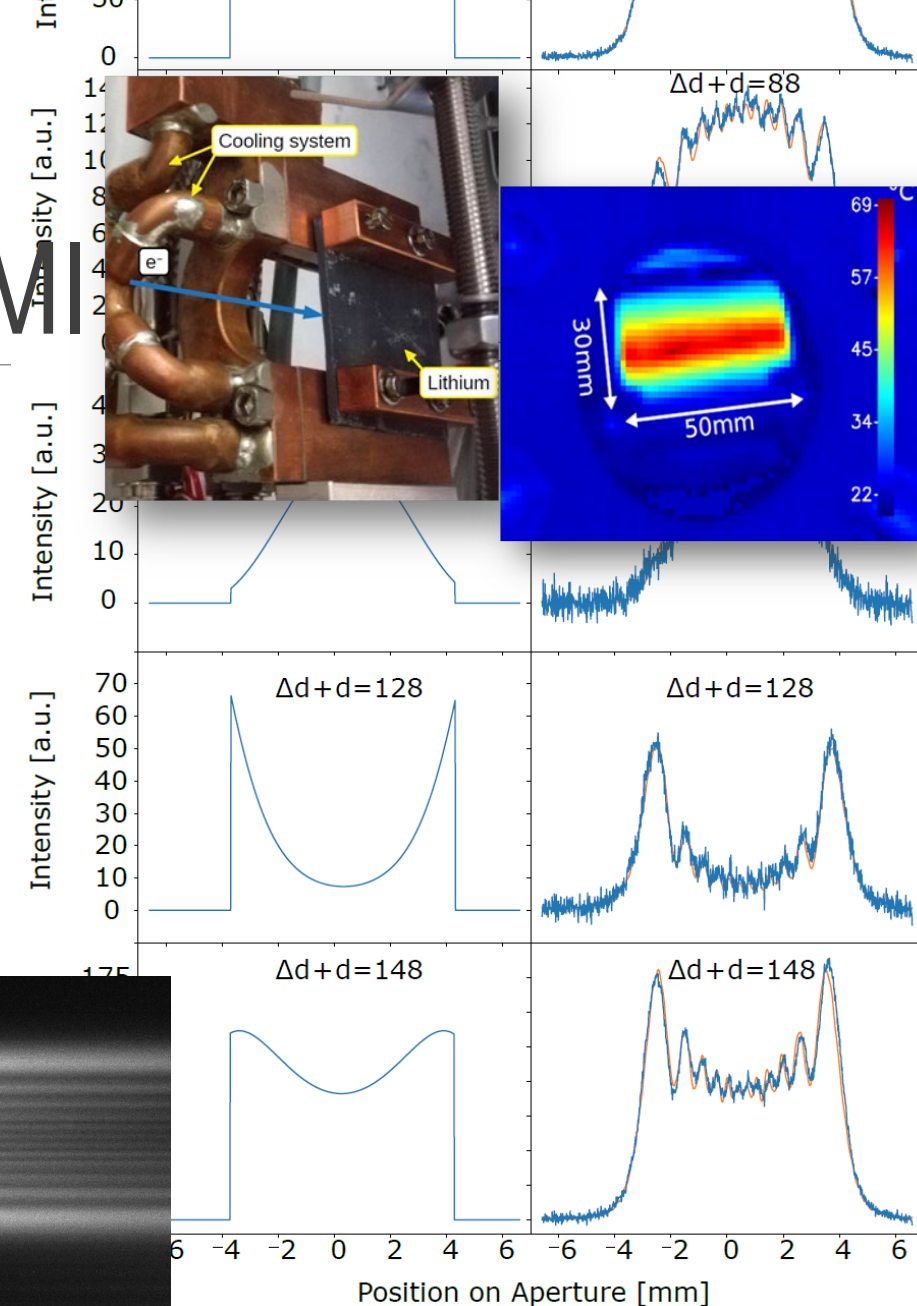
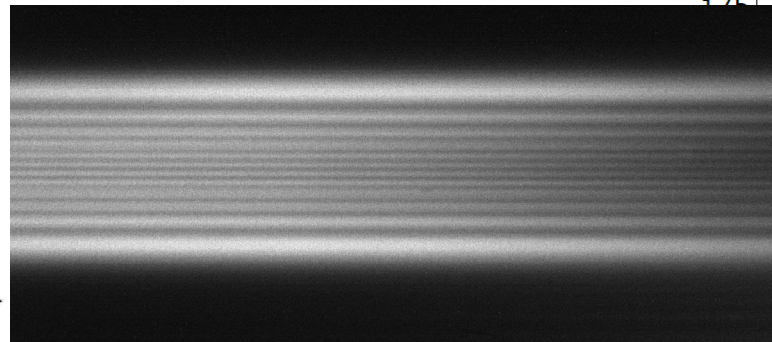
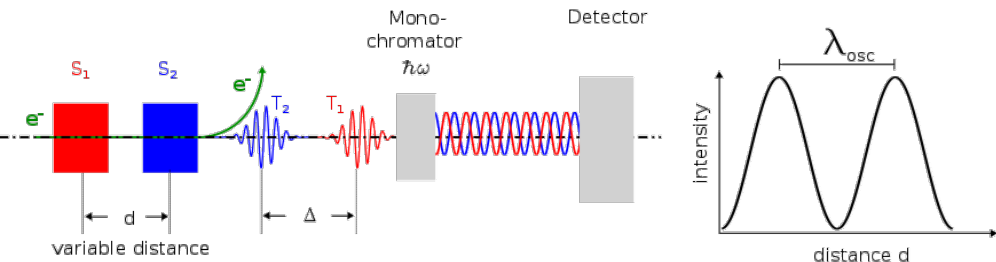


[Le et al., Phys. Lett. B 801, 135189 \(2020\)](#)



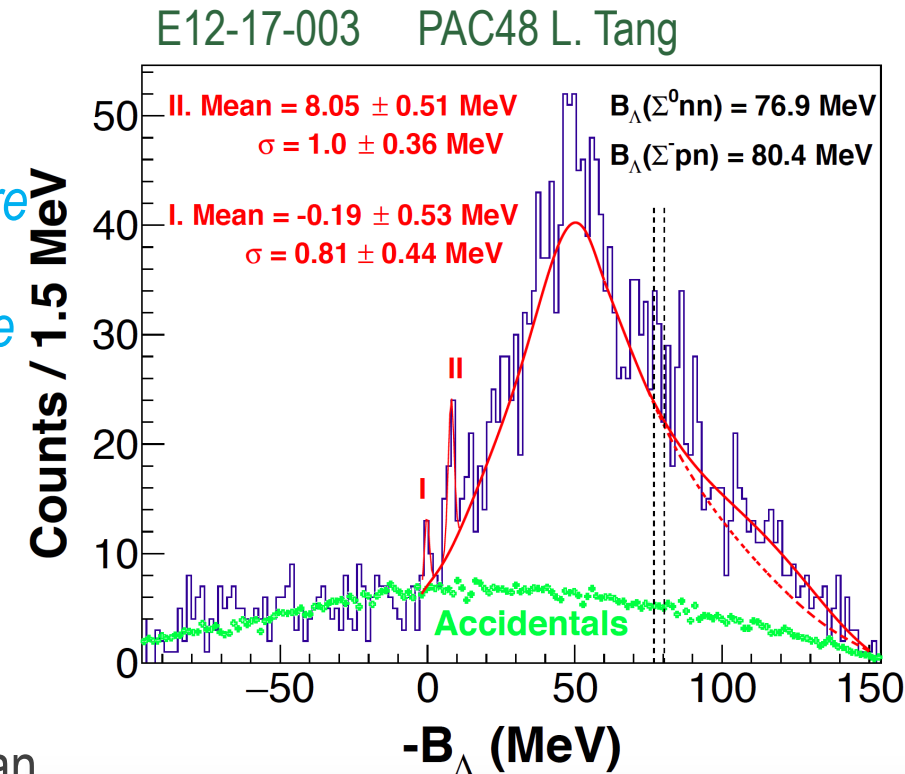
# Deliverable 16.1: BE at MAMI

- Measure mass via two-body pionic decay  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} \rightarrow \pi^- + {}^3\text{He}$ 
  - decay at rest  $\Rightarrow$  monoenergetic pions
- MAMI has pioneered the  $\pi^-$ -decay spectroscopy method for  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ . For  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ 
  - higher luminosity required  $\Rightarrow$  5cm Li target@10 $\mu\text{A}$
  - precise absolute calibration of spectrometers  $\Rightarrow$  interference of undulator radiation
  - **Waiting for beam in 2021**



# Deliverable 16.1: Status of $nn\Lambda$ – JLab

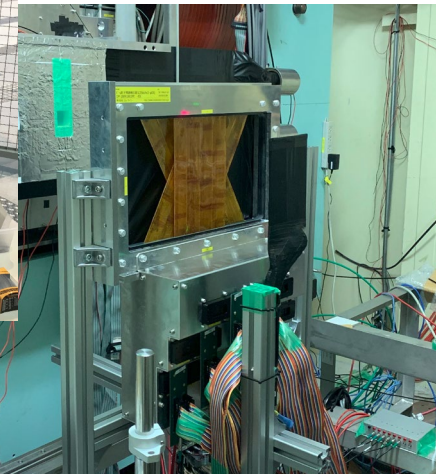
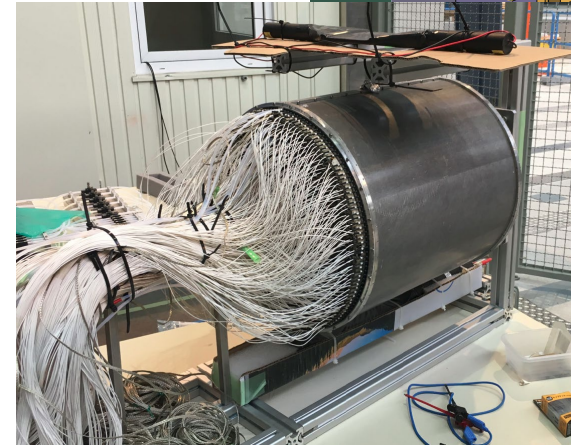
- Experiment successfully performed at JLab using a tritium target
  - The analysis of the JLab experiment is basically completed:  
*“Two possible  $\Lambda$ nn resonance states and a bound  $\Sigma NN$  state were observed for with an energy resolution of better than 1.6 MeV (FWHM), although greater statistics are needed to make definitive identifications.*  
*Due to low statistics and accidental background, the statistical significance is only at level of 2.3, neither solidly confirm nor rule out these observed states.”*
- The collaboration proposed to redo this experiment with the optimized HKS-HRS system so that the 20 times more statistics can be reached while the accidental background can be fully avoided.  
*The proposal is currently conditionally approved.*





# Deliverable 16.1: Status of $nn\Lambda$ – WASA

- Experiment at FAIR Phase 0 with the WASA-FRS detector under preparation; beamtime re-approved by GPAC
  - Commissioning of Mini drift chamber: DONE
  - Superconducting magnet: already at 4 K
  - Upgrading of Time-of-Flight Barrel: in progress, by end of 2020
  - Large Scintillating fiber detectors commissioning in progress
  - Mini fiber detector inside the iron yoke: in production
  - Electronics for fiber detectors: in progress, by end of 2020
- Experiment is tentatively scheduled in February (commissioning) and **March (physics run) in 2022**. (note: MS20: month 36!)





# Deliverable 16.1: Hypernucleus Database

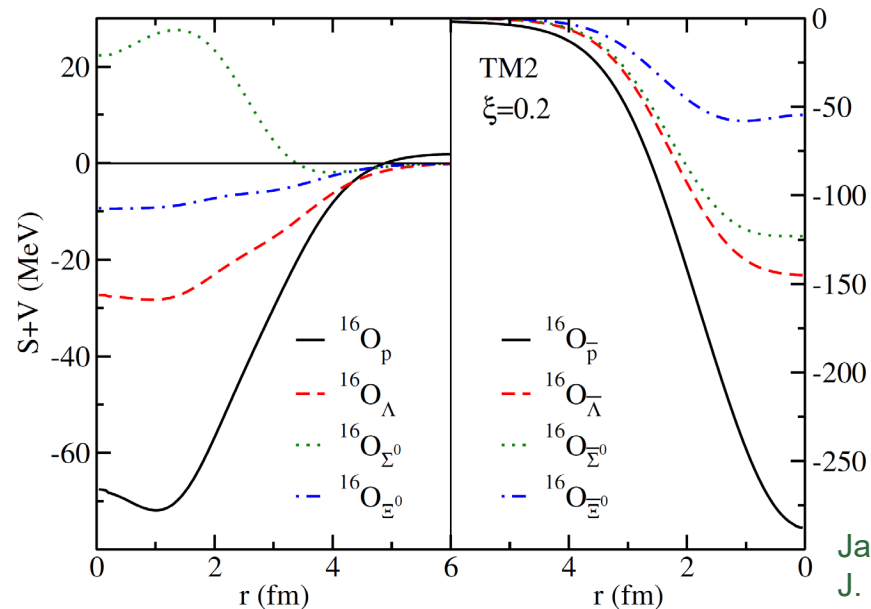
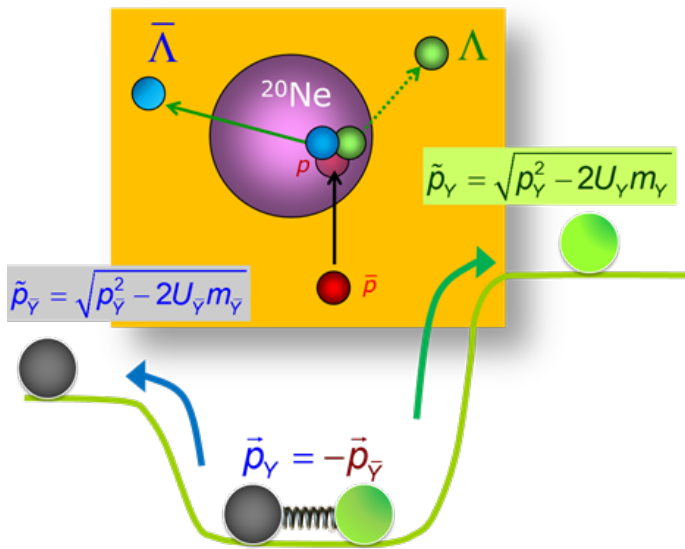
- a hypernucleus database is being built at Mainz  
<https://hypernuclei.kph.uni-mainz.de/page.html>
  - goal: provides complete overview of existing data including additional information (e.g. references, bibtex entries etc.)
  - PDG style and rules
  - summary plots, errors etc generated automatically
  - export data and plots to files possible
  - frame has been set up; *only filled with test data*
  - presently access still restricted (user: scooter; pw: hyperhyper)
- DB will continuously updated with new data



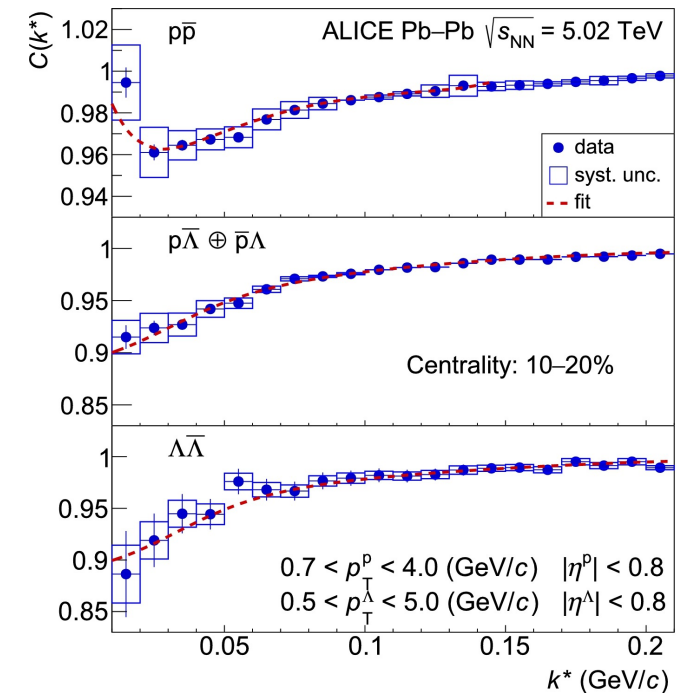
**D16.1 will be delivered in time  
and MS21 will *probably* be  
reached**

# Deliverable 16.2: Antihyperons in Nuclei

- Baryon-antibaryon interactions can be studied by two-particle correlation functions in HI
- PANDA will measure the effective potential of  $\Lambda$  hyperons by the exclusive  $^{20}\text{Ne}(\bar{p}, \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda)$  reaction during PHASE-1 of PANDA



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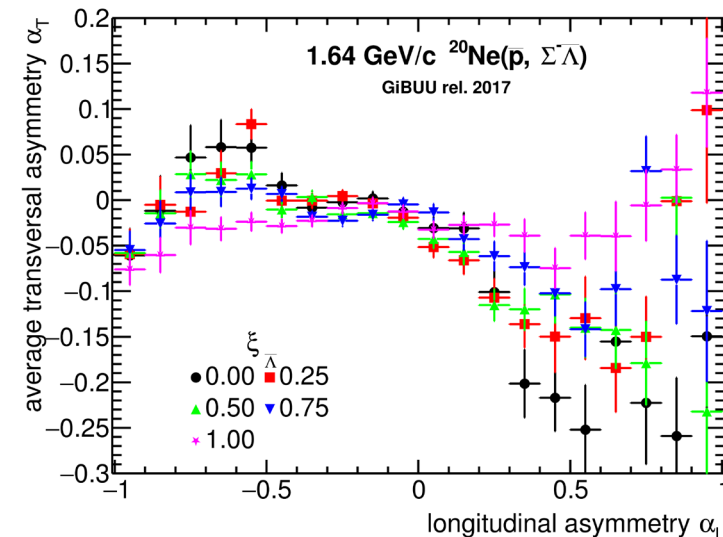
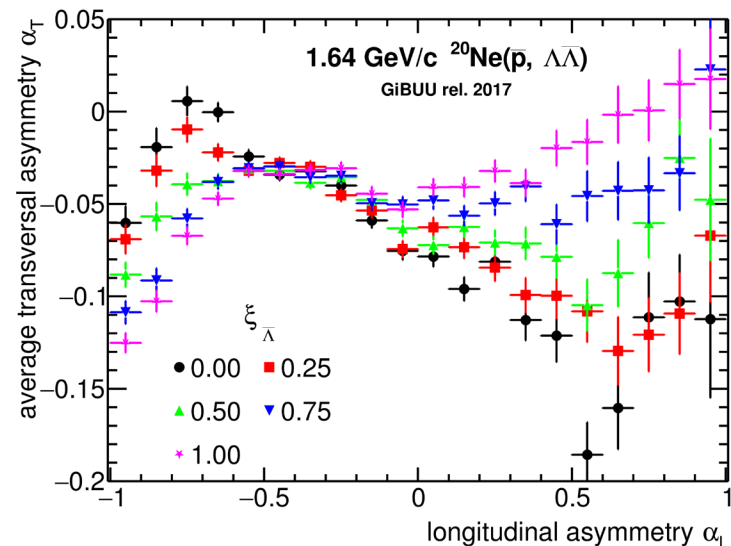


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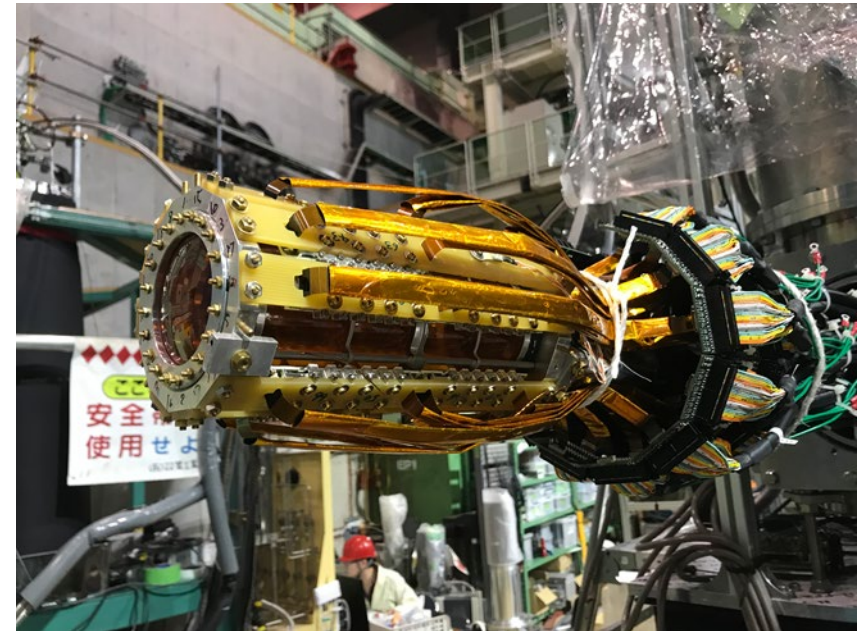
- High statistics event samples generated with GiBUU
  - being continued at HPC in Mainz
- Integration in PANDA reconstruction software (time based analysis)
  - Slowed down by COVID-19; continuous progress
- PANDA Phase One paper under final internal review by collaboration

*D16.2 will be delivered in time and MS21 will be reached*



# Deliverable 16.3: Bound Mesonic Systems

- E57 @ J-PARC: “ Measurement of the strong interaction induced shift and width of the 1s state of kaonic deuterium at J-PARC”
- Test beam time Feb. and April 2019 for total 4 days
- Goal: Due to a measurement of kaonic hydrogen to proof that the apparatus is ready for the kaonic deuterium measurement.
- Problem: kaonic hydrogen X-ray lines observed, but  $K\pi$  X-ray efficiency about a factor 3 less than expected.
- Outlook: improving MC simulation using obtained data set; design of a short kaon beam line to increase number of kaons; working on an active deuterium target, detector within gas volume without windows.



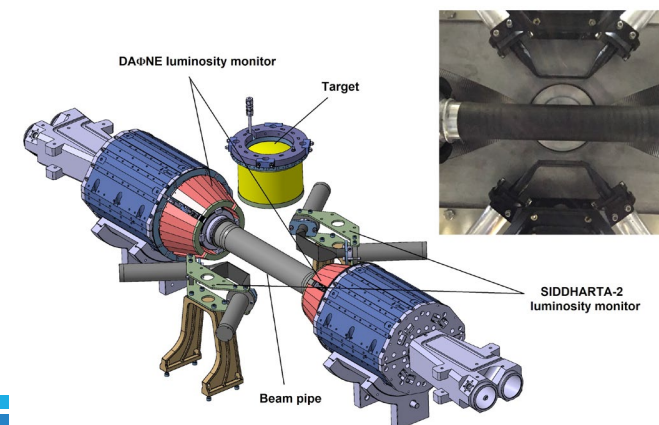
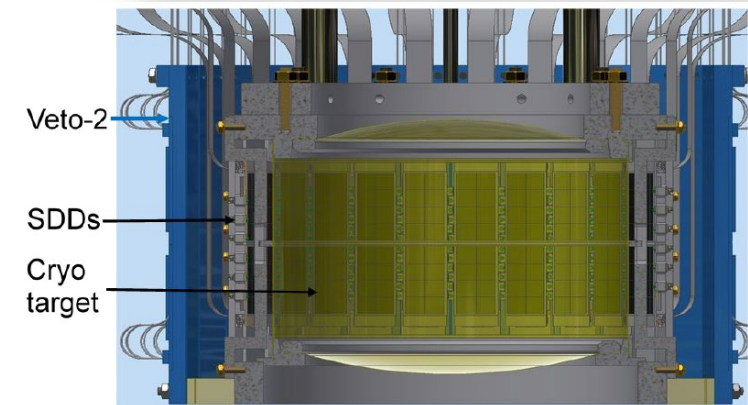
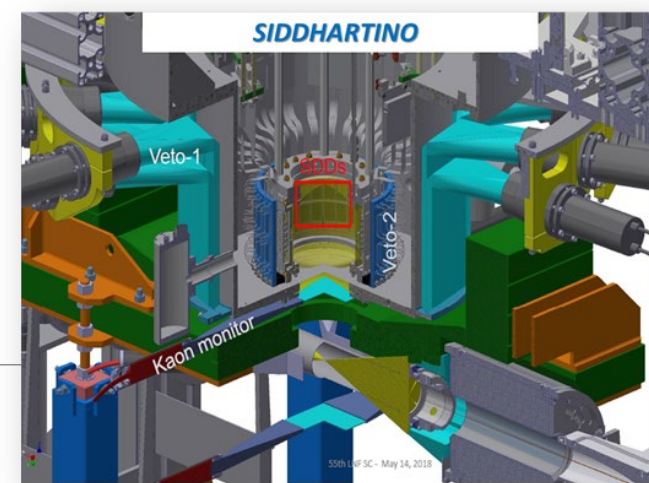
Cryogenic target and detector system for beam time Feb. and April 2019



See TA3 Talk of  
C. Curceanu

# Deliverable 16.3: SIDDHARTA-2

- Goal: study of kaonic deuterium with drastically increased signal-to-background ratio, by gaining in solid angle, by taking advantage of the new SDDs with improved timing resolution and by implementing additional veto systems.
- measurements with SIDDHARTINO (PHASE 1) will determine and contribute to optimize the level of the background and the Signal/Background optimized working conditions for SIDDHARTA-2.
- Timeline
  - SIDDHARTINO: start November 2020 - end probably February 2021
  - SIDDHARTA-2 - start spring 2021 and go on at least till end 2021



# Workshops

First workshop in Speyer Nov. 2019

<https://indico.gsi.de/event/8950/>

Second workshop planned in Crete Oct 2020  
⇒ replaced by web-seminar

<https://indico.gsi.de/category/513/>

weekly meeting each Wednesday

Usually 2 talks

**First talk 7.10.2020:  
69+x participants**



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**Joint web-seminar**     [indico.gsi.de/category/513/](https://indico.gsi.de/category/513/)

# Summary

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All deliverables and milestone will very likely be achieved

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