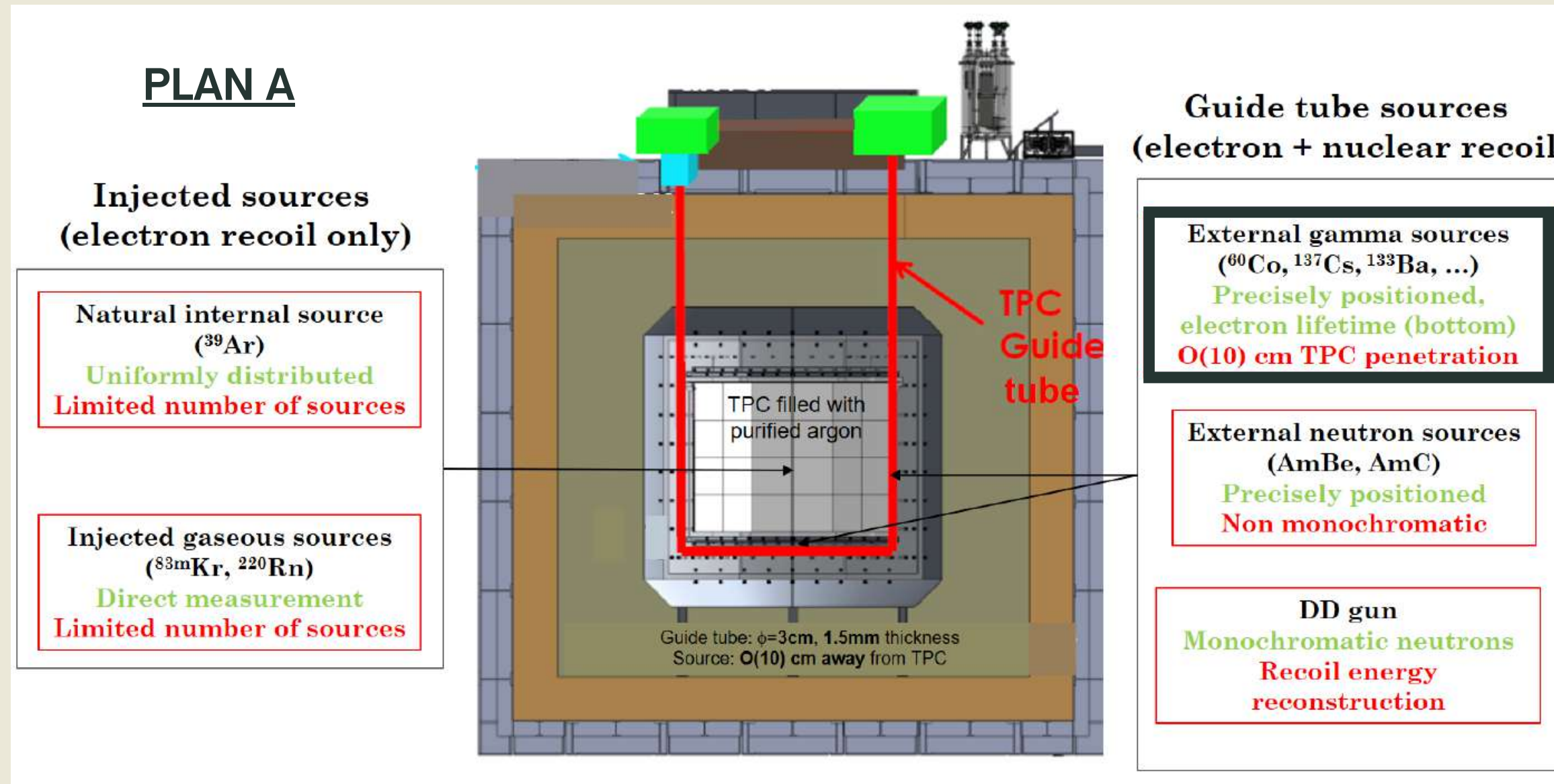


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GUIDE TUBE CALIBRATION DARKSIDE20K



Before calibrating the detector with sources in the guide tube, it is necessary to estimate the **background rate of events generated in the TPC by the tube material in itself**



FOCUS ON ELECTRONIC RECOIL

There are two kind of events :

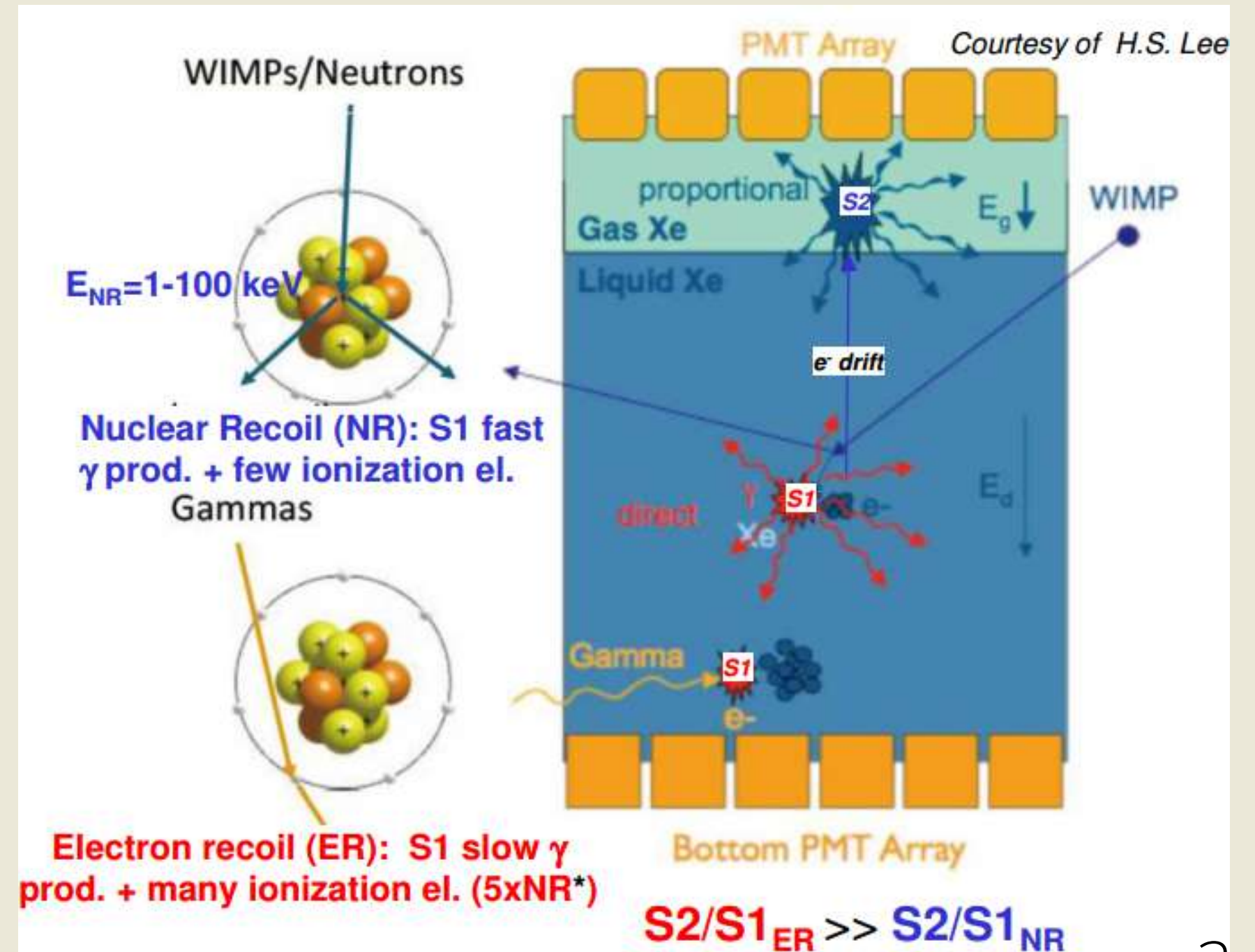
- Nuclear Recoil events

- Particle scatters on nucleus (if WIMP : through unknown process)
- Fast but small γ production, few e^-
- nucleus-nucleus and WIMP/nucleus interactions *apriori* undistinguishable from
---> Events discriminated with veto outside of TPC

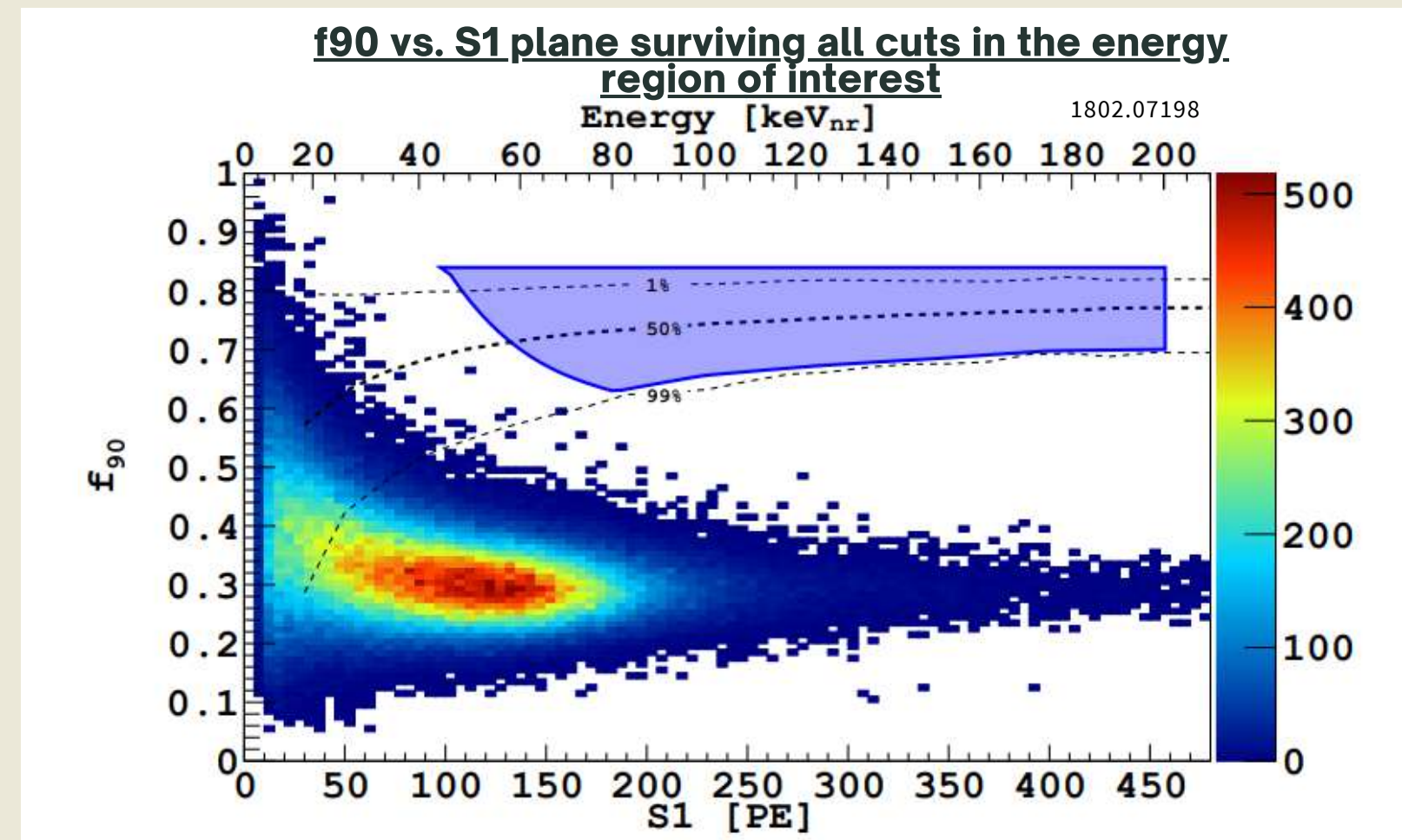
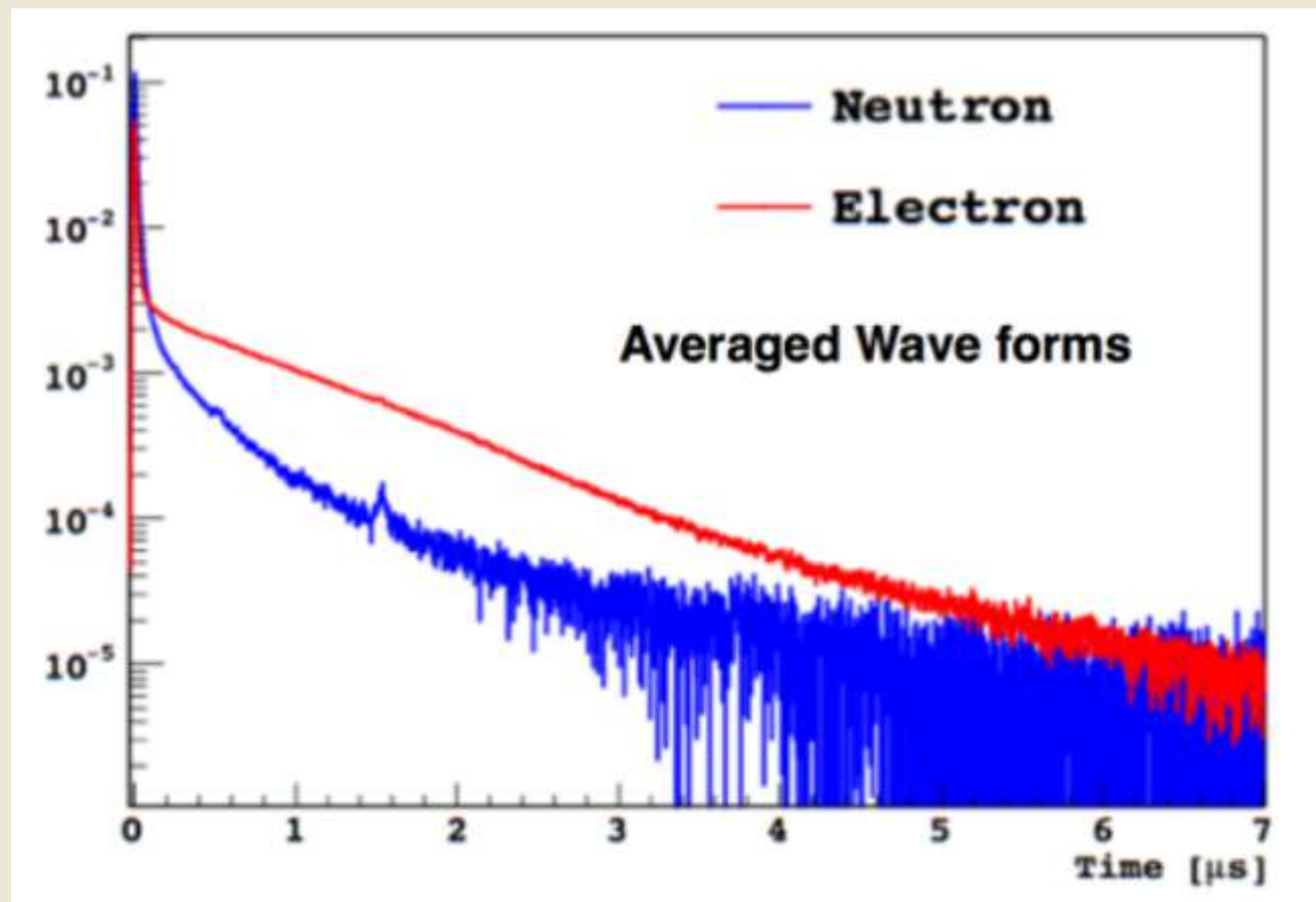
- Electronic Recoil events

- γ scatters on electronic orbitals
- Many but slow γ production, many e^-
- Distinguishable to an extent through Pulse Shape Discrimination (PSD) method

We will focus on the **electronic recoil events** generated in the TPC by radioactive elements of the tube



PULSE SHAPE DISCRIMINATION (PSD)



→ PSD with error $\epsilon=10^{-8}$

ER* BACKGROUND RATES



A

Estimate decay rates from
radioactive elements of the tube

B

Find the number of events in the
TPC volume through GEANT4DS
simulation of the tube for each
radioactive source

C

Apply various cuts to estimate
the number of remaining events
in a given fiducial volume



A - DECAY RATE

RADIOACTIVE COMPONENTS

Properties of radioactive elements in SSArDM (The Lund/LBNL Nuclear Data Search)

Element	Halflife (years)	Activity (Bq/mg)	Proportion in SSArDM (ng/kg)	Contamination in SSArDM (mBq/kg)
^{137}Cs	30.18	3.20e+09	4.69e-10	1.50
^{40}K	1.28e+09	2.59e+02	0.02	6.40
^{60}Co	5.27	4.18e+10	3.11e-10	13.00
^{238}U	4.47e+09	12.44	4.01	50.00
^{232}Th	1.40e+10	4.06	4.92	20.00



A - DECAY RATE

DECAY PER YEAR ESTIMATION

$$\text{Rate} = \text{Activity} \times M(\text{tubes})$$

Number of decay / time

$(\text{Time} \times \text{Mass})^{-1}$

Mass

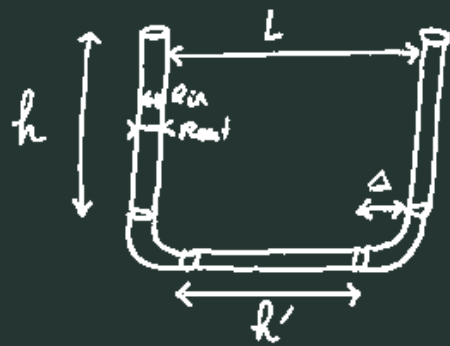
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A - DECAY RATE

DECAY PER YEAR ESTIMATION

TUBE MASS

Masse tube



$$\rho_{ss} \approx 8000 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ (20°C)}$$

$$R_{in} = 3,2 \text{ cm} = 3,2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}$$

$$R_{out} = R_{in} + e, \quad e = 1,5 \text{ mm}$$

$$= 3,35 \text{ cm}$$

$$h = 3,5 \text{ m}$$

$$h' \approx h$$

$$L = 4,01 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{L - h'}{2} \text{ ou } \Delta^* = \Delta + R_{out}$$

• 1 tube de longueur h :

$$V_{\text{tube}} = \pi h (R_{out}^2 - R_{in}^2)$$

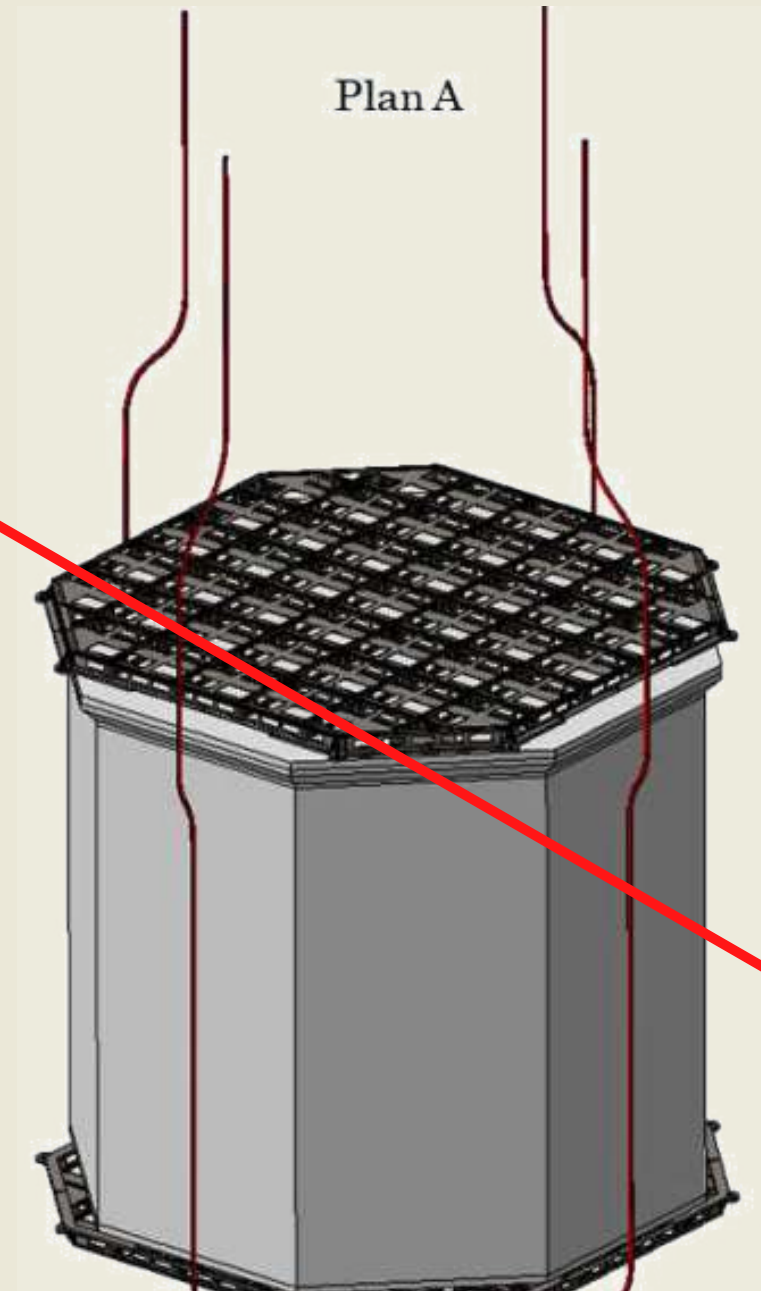
• 1 coude \equiv 1 demi-cercle de rayon Δ^* :

$$\frac{1}{4} \text{ de périmètre de longueur } : 2 \frac{\pi \Delta^*}{4} \Rightarrow V_{\text{coude}} = \frac{\pi \Delta^*}{2} \times \pi (R_{out}^2 - R_{in}^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{\text{tot}} = (3V_{\text{tube}} + 2V_{\text{coude}}) \times \rho_{ss}$$

$$= \rho_{ss} \pi (R_{out}^2 - R_{in}^2) \left(h \left(3 - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{\pi L}{2} \right)$$

AN : $M_{\text{tot}} \approx 28 \text{ kg}$



2 tubes en U



M(tubes) = 56 kg

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A - DECAY RATE

DECAY PER YEAR ESTIMATION

TUBE MASS

Gantry pipe mass

$$\rho_{ss} = 7,7 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$h_1 = 4202,5 \text{ mm}$$

$$h_2 = 4222,0 \text{ mm}$$

$$r_{horizontal} = 3374,52$$

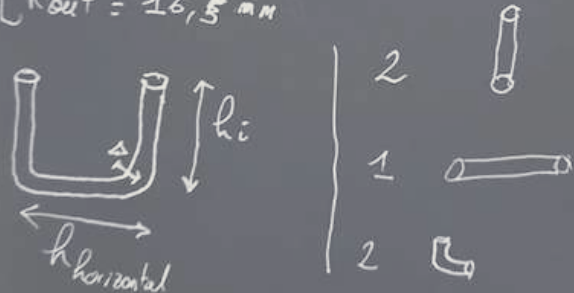
$$\text{pipe } \varnothing_{out} = 30 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{pipe bending radius} = 260 \text{ mm} \quad " \Delta "$$

$$e = 15 \text{ mm}$$

$$R_{in} = 15 \text{ mm}$$

$$R_{out} = 16,5 \text{ mm}$$



$$\text{Volume cylindre tube} = \pi (R_{out}^2 - R_{in}^2) h$$

$$\text{Volume courbe} = \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 \Delta (R_{out}^2 - R_{in}^2)$$

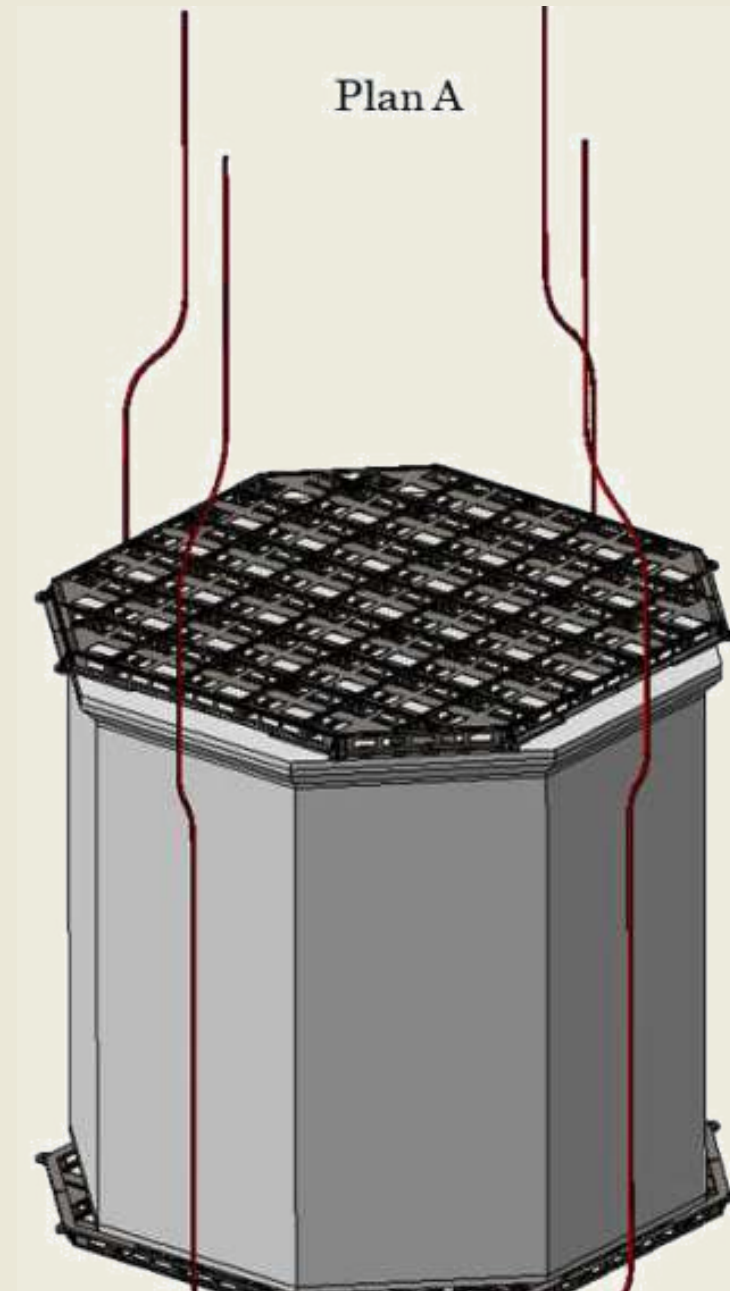
$$\Rightarrow \text{for } \rho = 7,7 \text{ g/cm}^3$$



$$\begin{cases} m(U_1) = 13,9 \text{ kg} \\ m(U_2) = 14,29 \text{ kg} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } \rho = 8,0 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$\begin{cases} m(U_1) = 14,3 \text{ kg} \\ m(U_2) = 14,8 \text{ kg} \end{cases}$$



**2 tubes en U
with $\rho = 8.0 \text{ g/cm}^3$**



M(tubes) = 29.0 kg



A - DECAY RATE

DECAY PER YEAR ESTIMATION

ACTIVITY

STAINLESS STEEL ACTIVITY

Sample identifier	Radioactive contamination [mBq/kg]				
	²³² Th	²³⁸ U	⁶⁰ Co	⁴⁰ K	¹³⁷ Cs
SS	10	10	—	—	—
SS ArDM	20	50	13	6.4	1.5

Exemple ¹³⁷Cs

Activity = 0.0015 Bq/kg

Rate = 0.0015 Bq/kg x 29 kg = 0.044 decay/s
= 1.4 x 10⁶ decay/y



NUMBER OF SURVIVING EVENTS

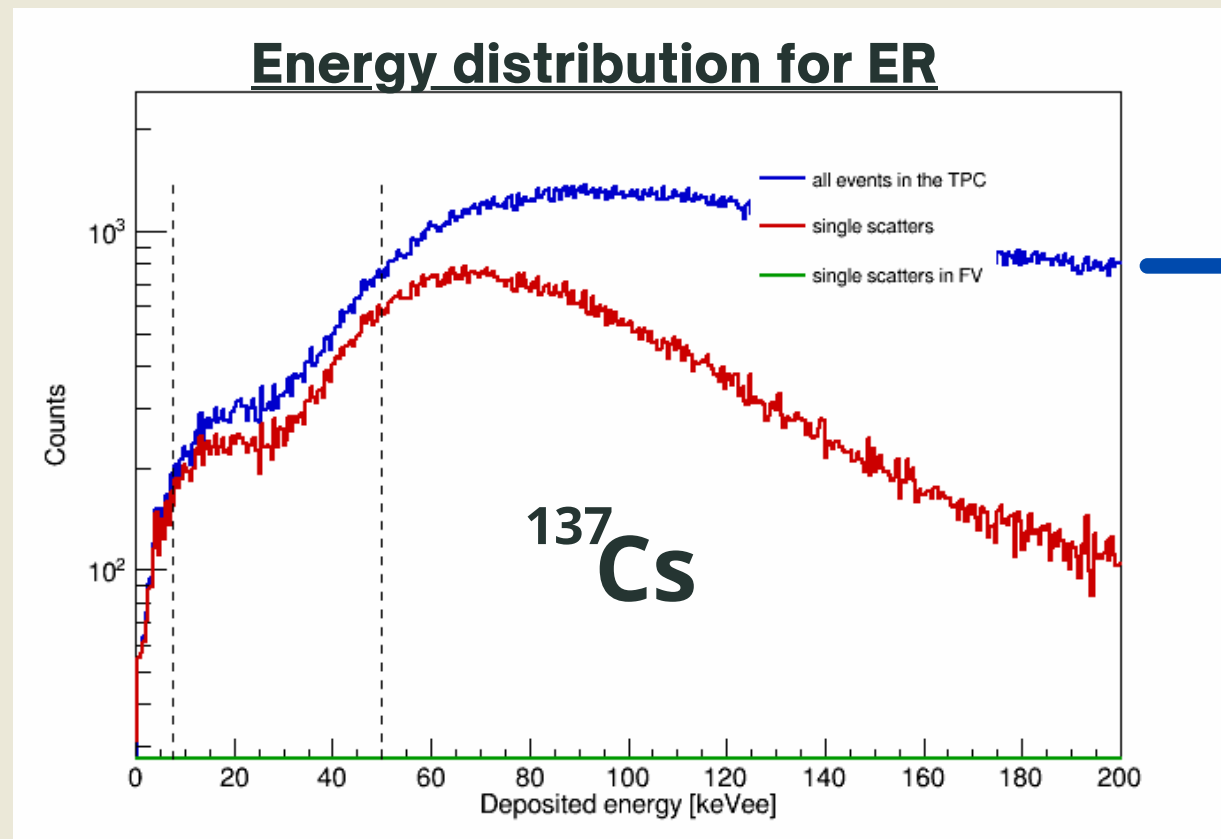
$$\text{Surviving Events Rate} = \frac{\text{Events in Volume}}{\text{Total of events simulated}} \times \text{Rate}$$

10^7 events simulated



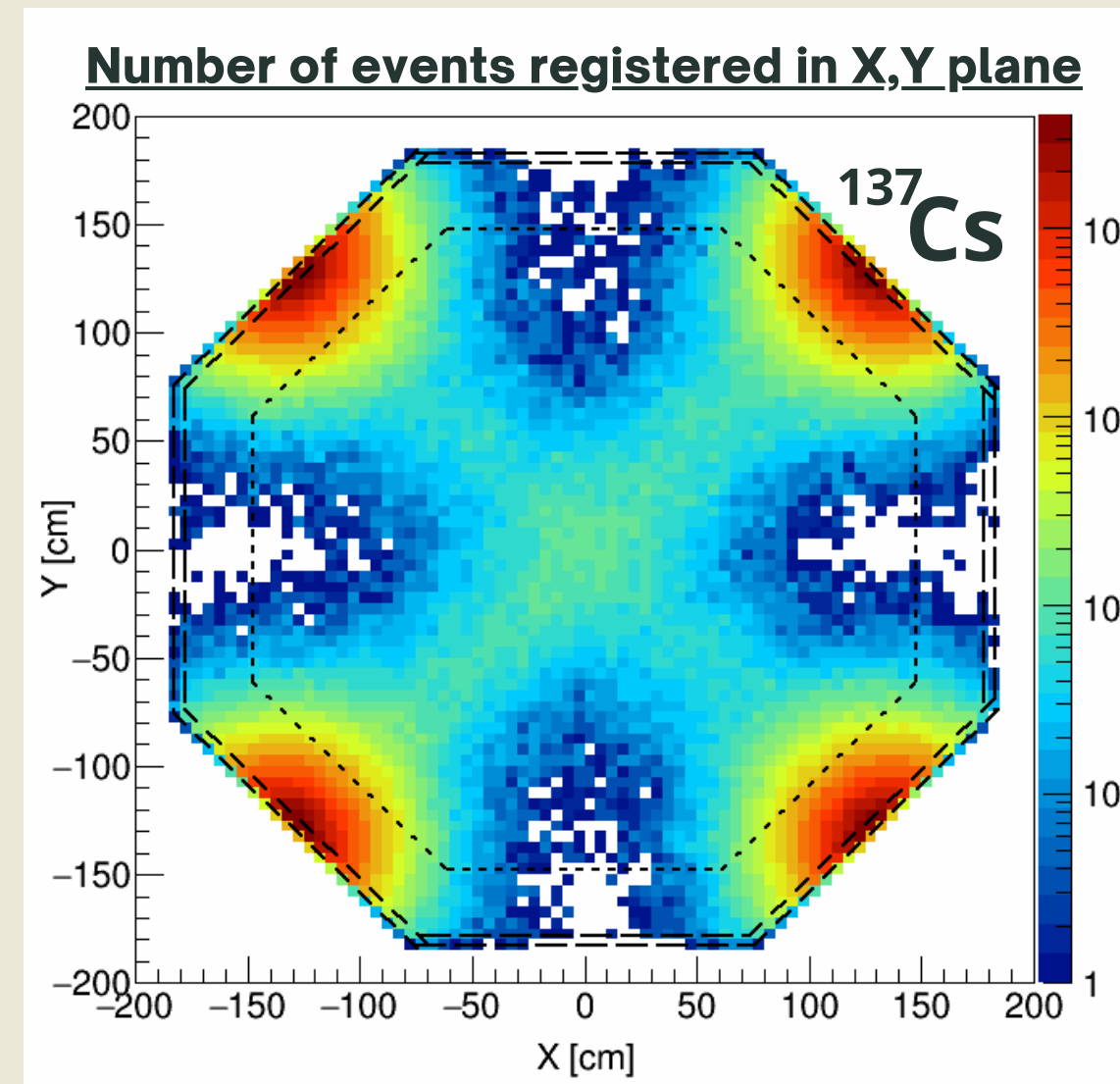
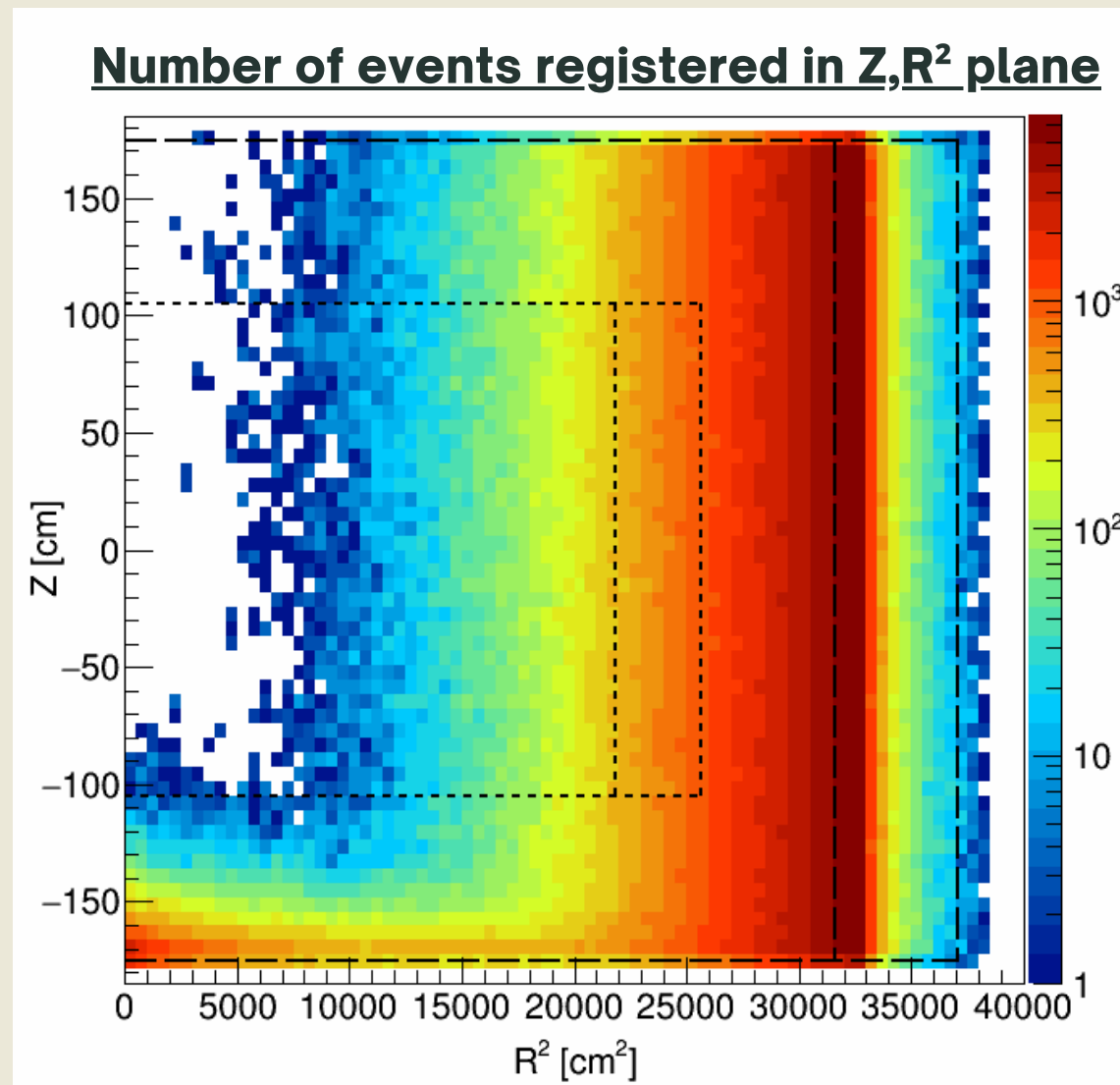
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B - SIMULATION



150 224 LE events in TPC

ALL ER
at $\text{LE} \in [0, 200 \text{ keV}]$





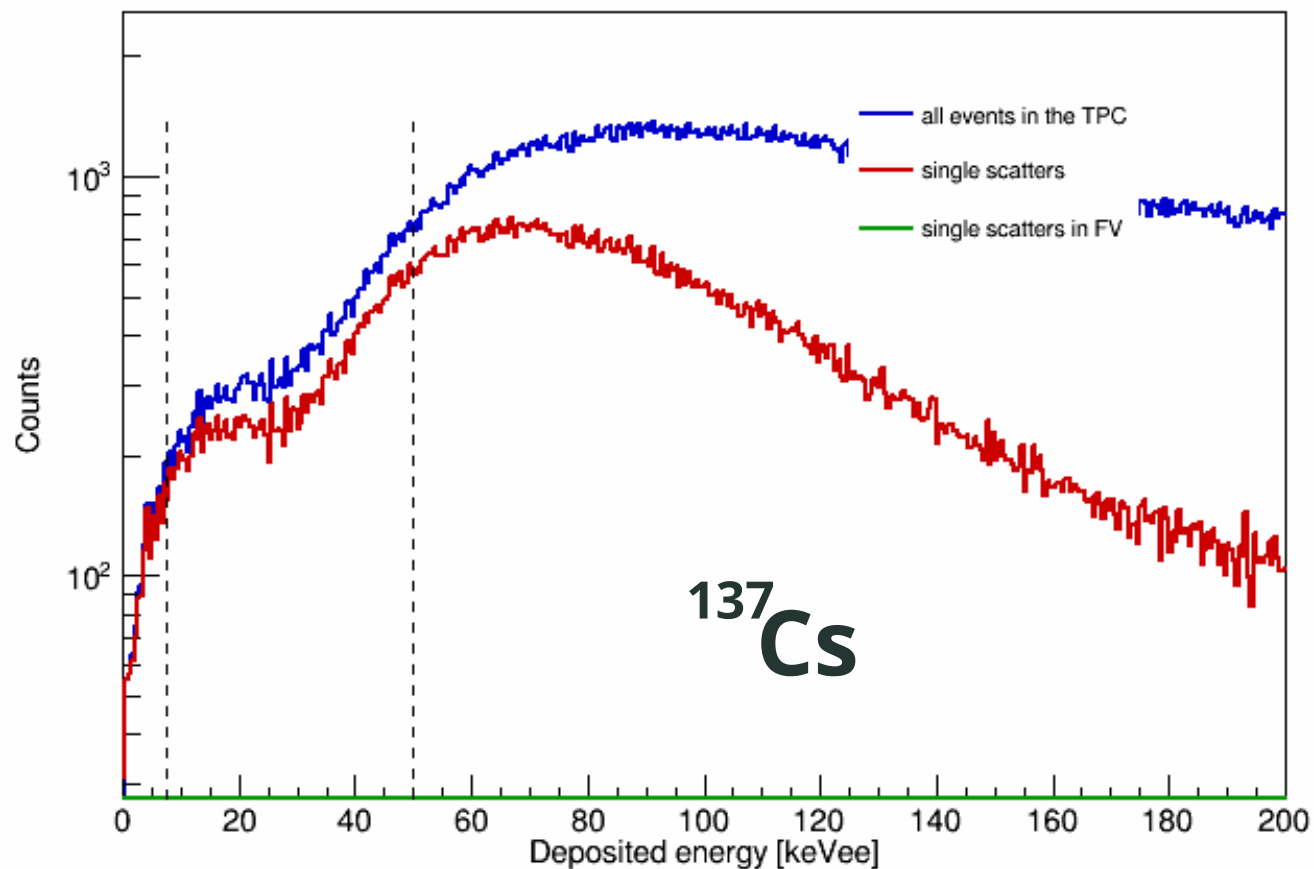
B - SIMULATION

Taking detector response into account

$$\text{Res}(E) = 0.0023 + 0.334/\sqrt{E}$$

$$\dots \text{Res}(E) = 0.009 + 0.485/\sqrt{E} \dots$$

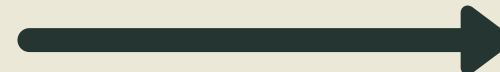
Energy distribution for ER before resolution



33234 ROI events in TPC

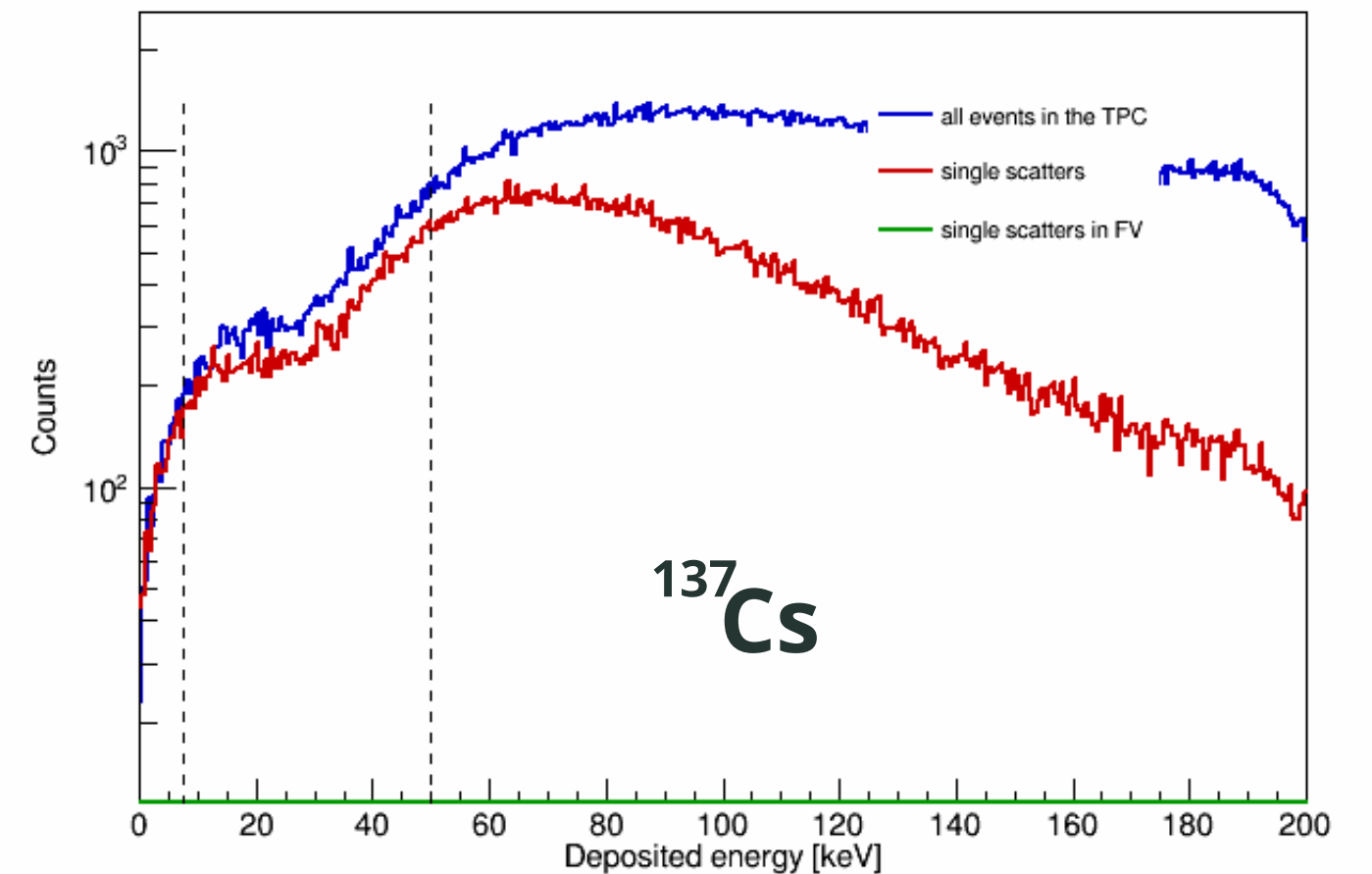
150 224 LE events in TPC

+28 LE events



+117 ROI events

Energy distribution for ER with resolution



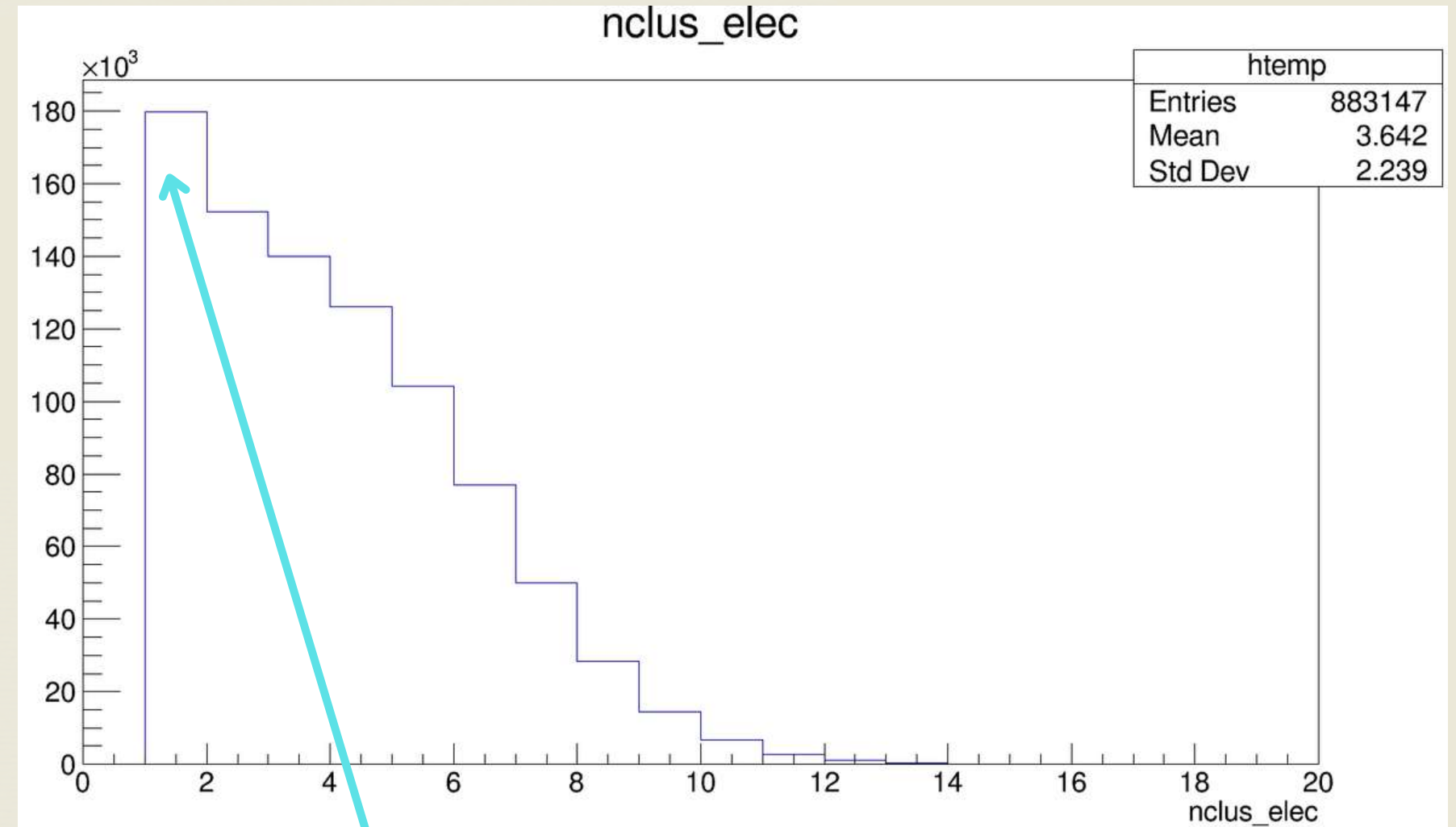
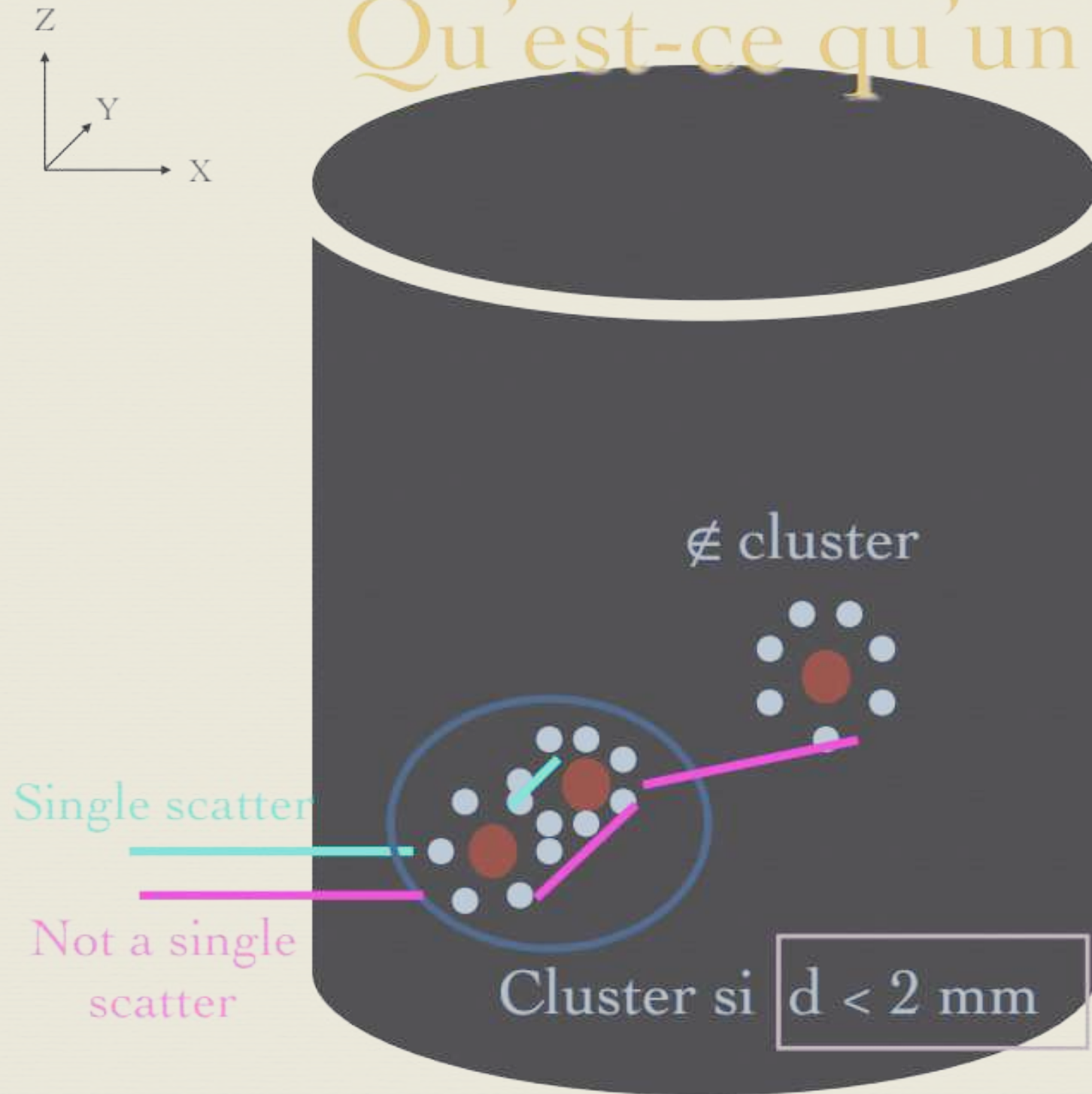
33347 ROI events in TPC

150 352 LE events in TPC



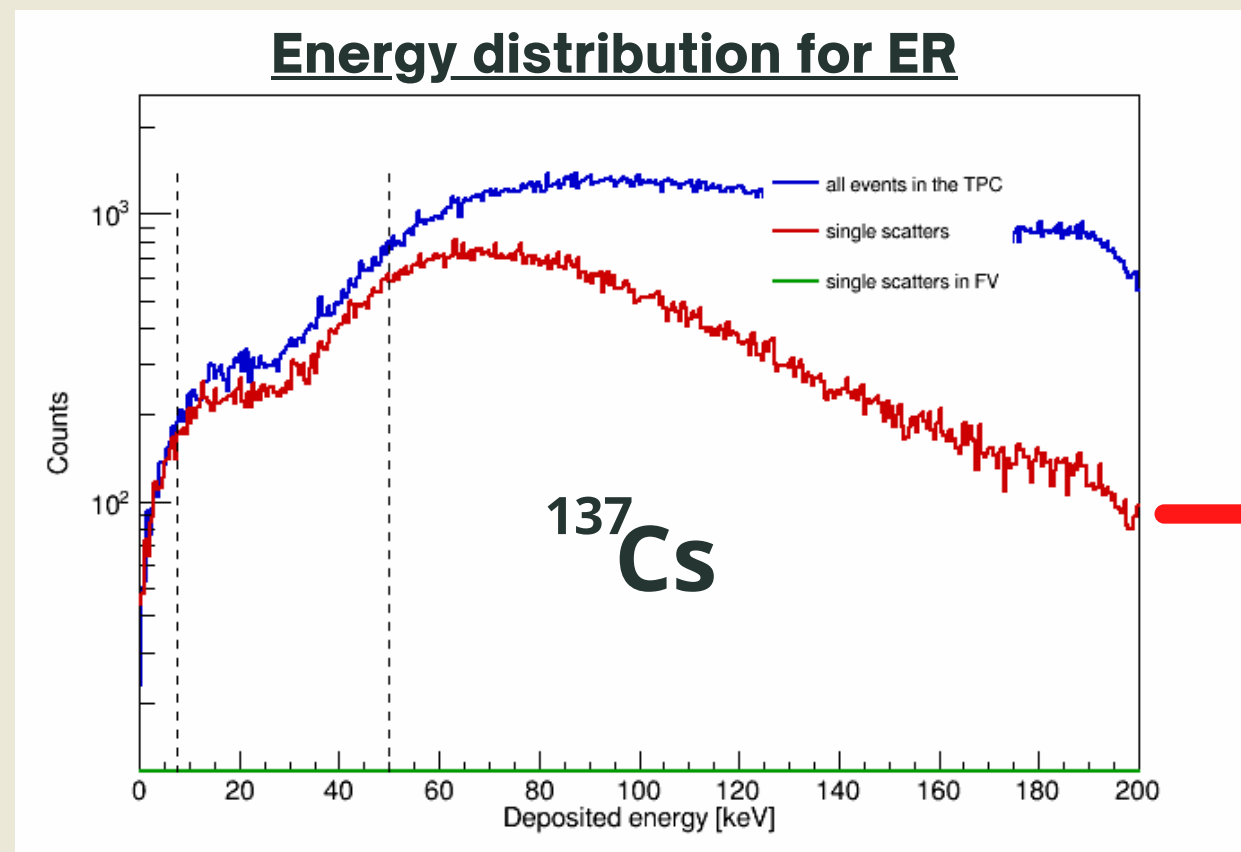
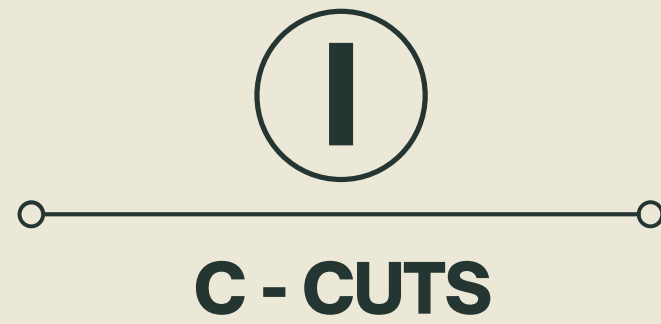
Exclude non-single scatter events

Qu'est-ce qu'un single scatter ?

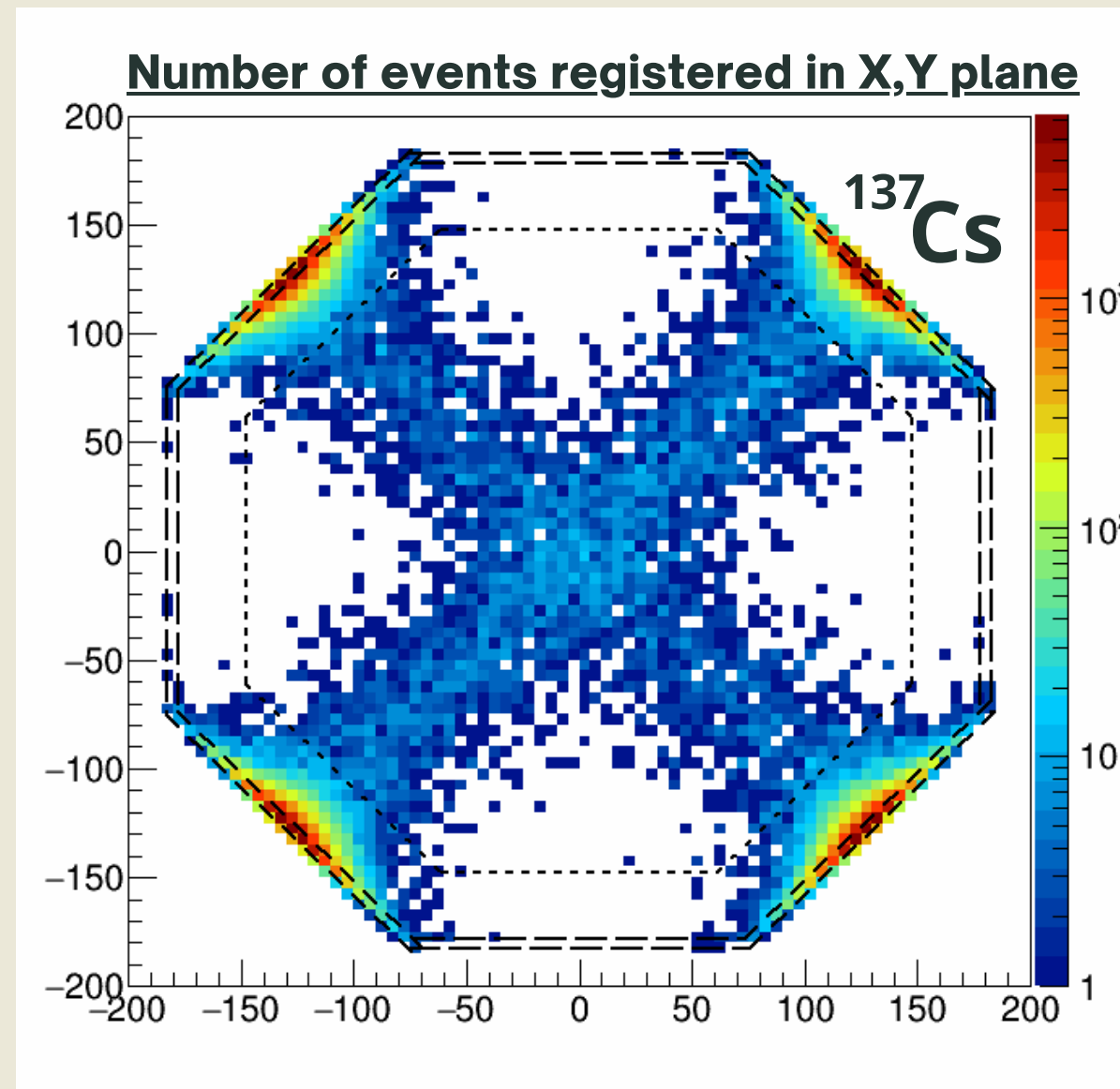
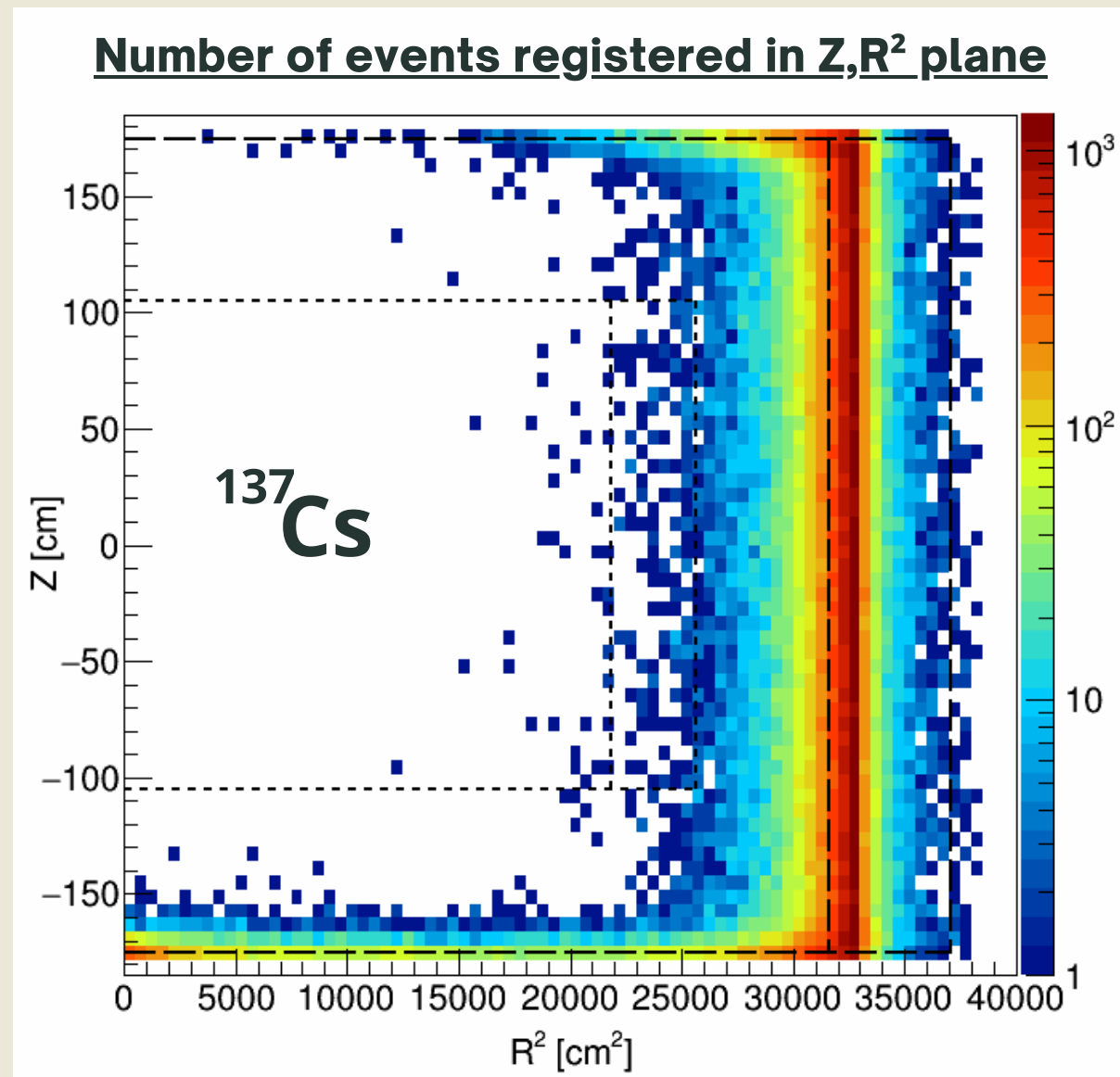


Vient de la résolution lors de la reconstruction en z

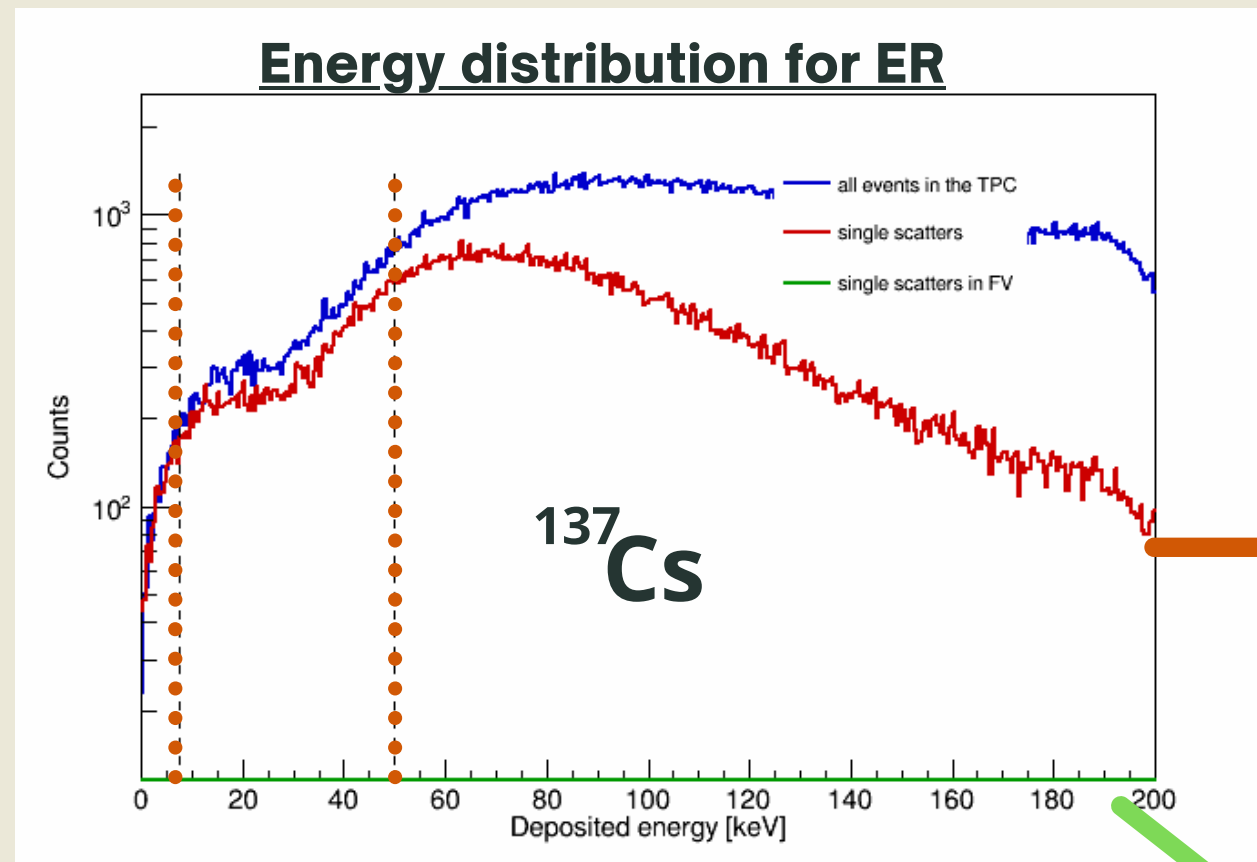
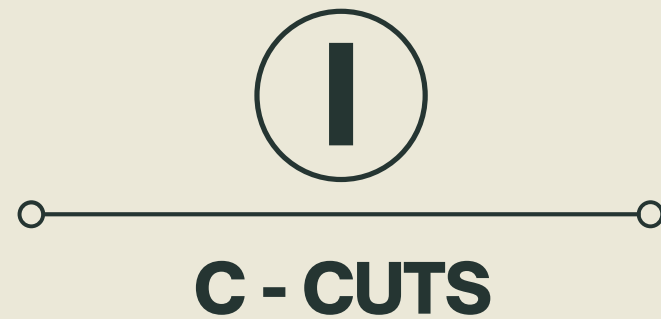
Single scatter



94702 LE SS in the TPC

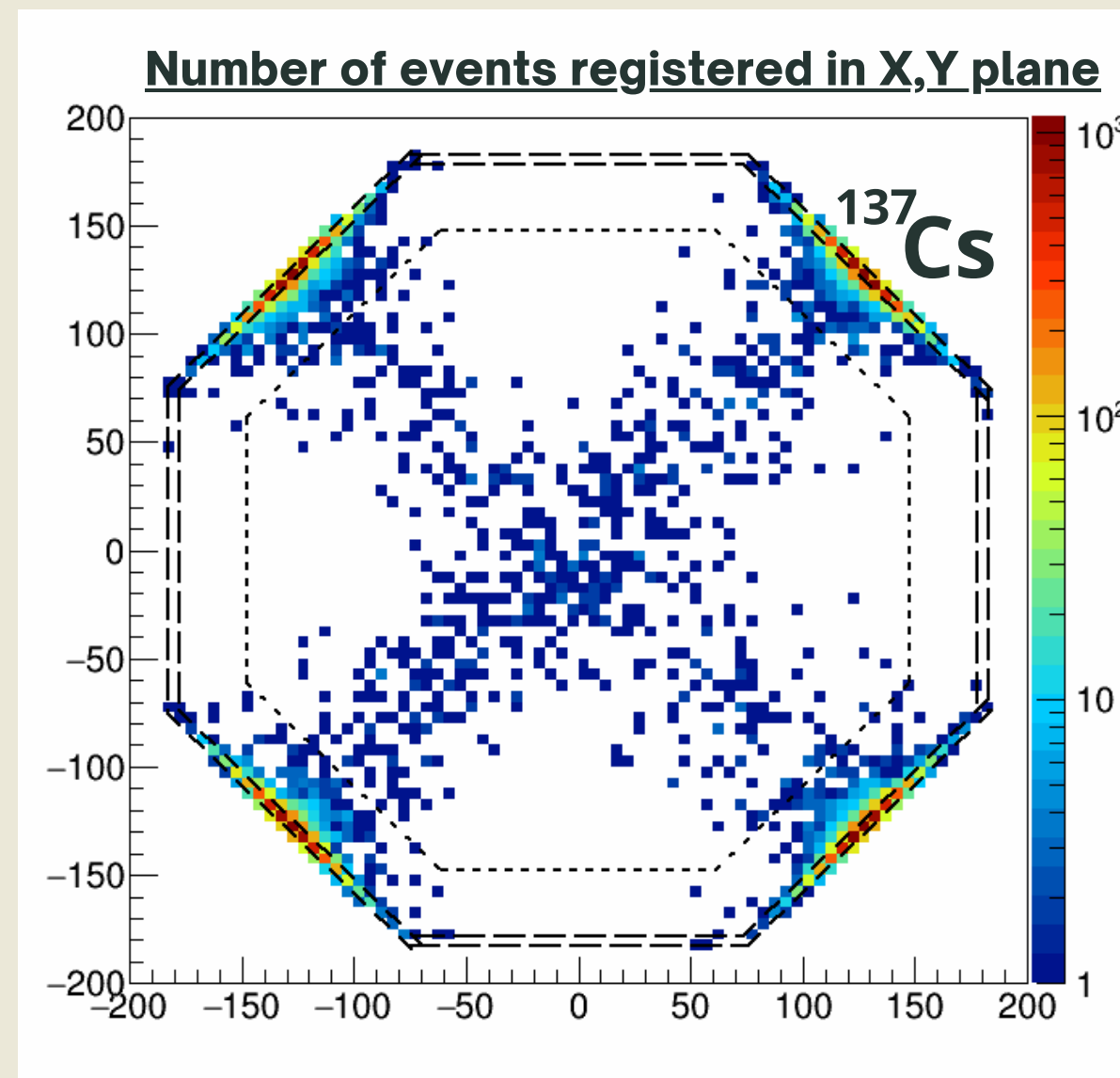
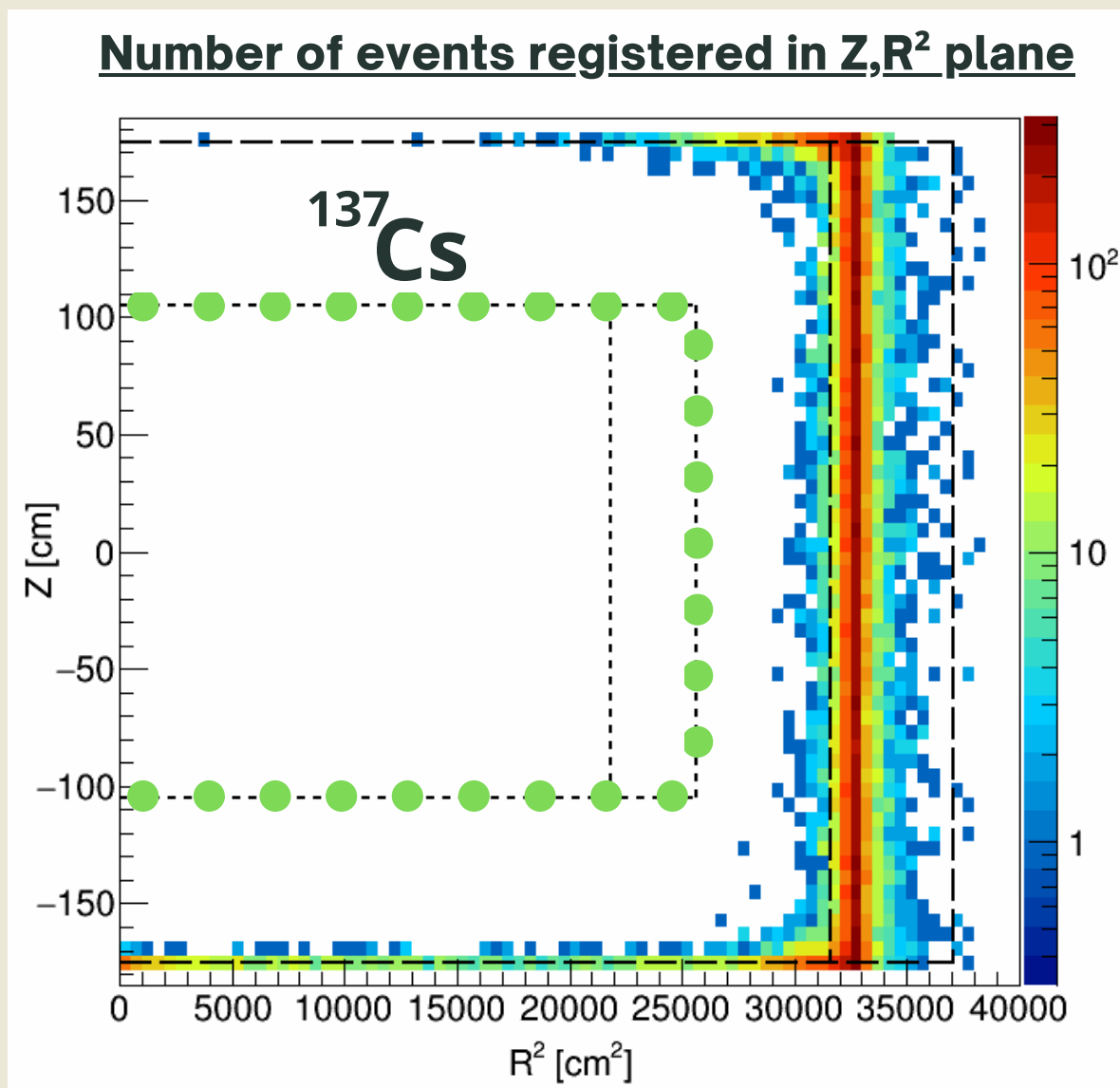


ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) at LE ∈ [0,200 keV]



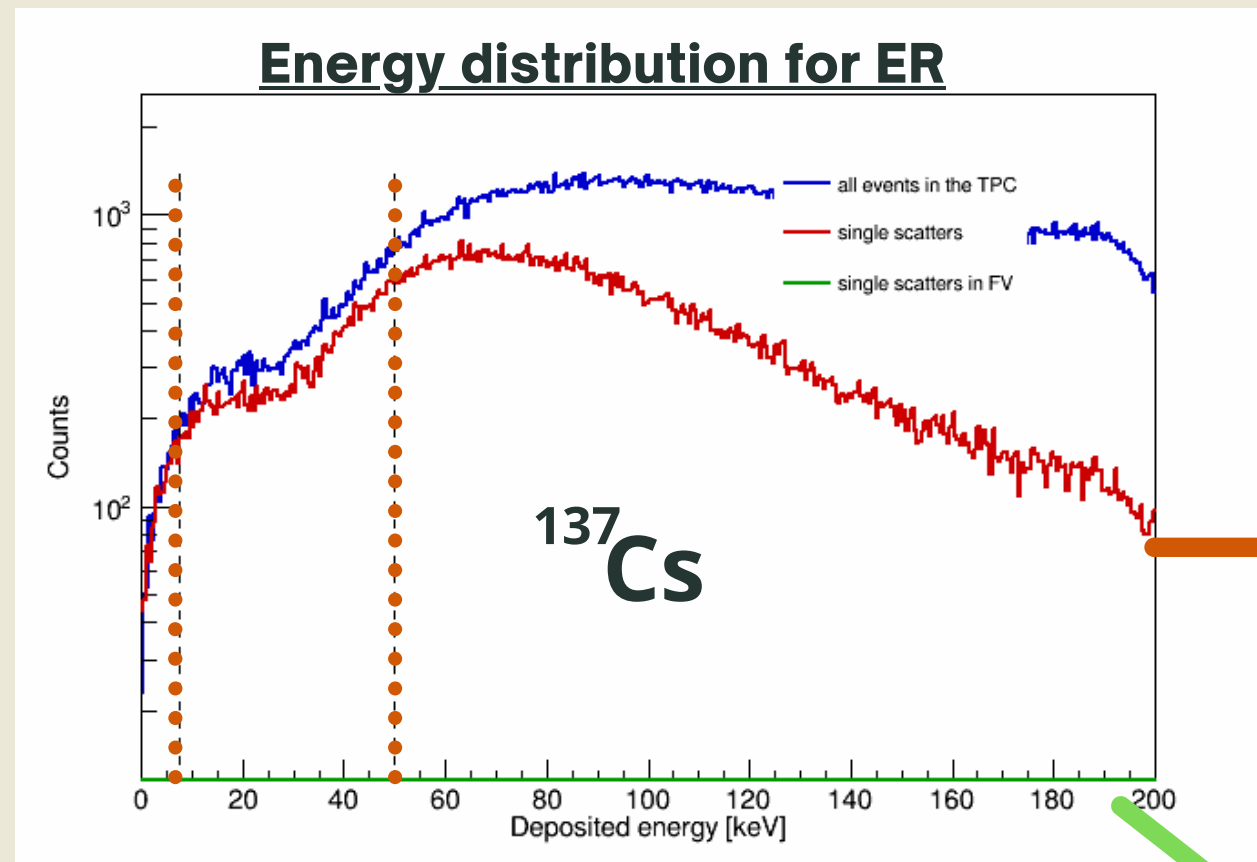
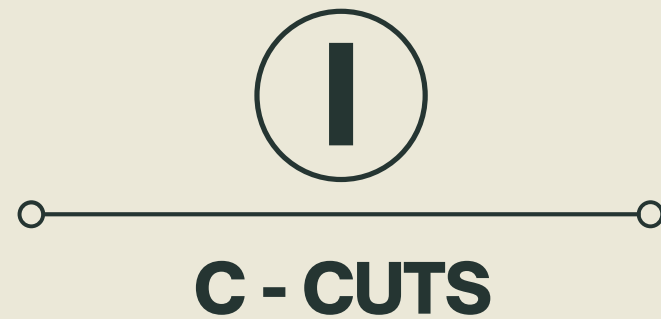
ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

26478 SS at ROI



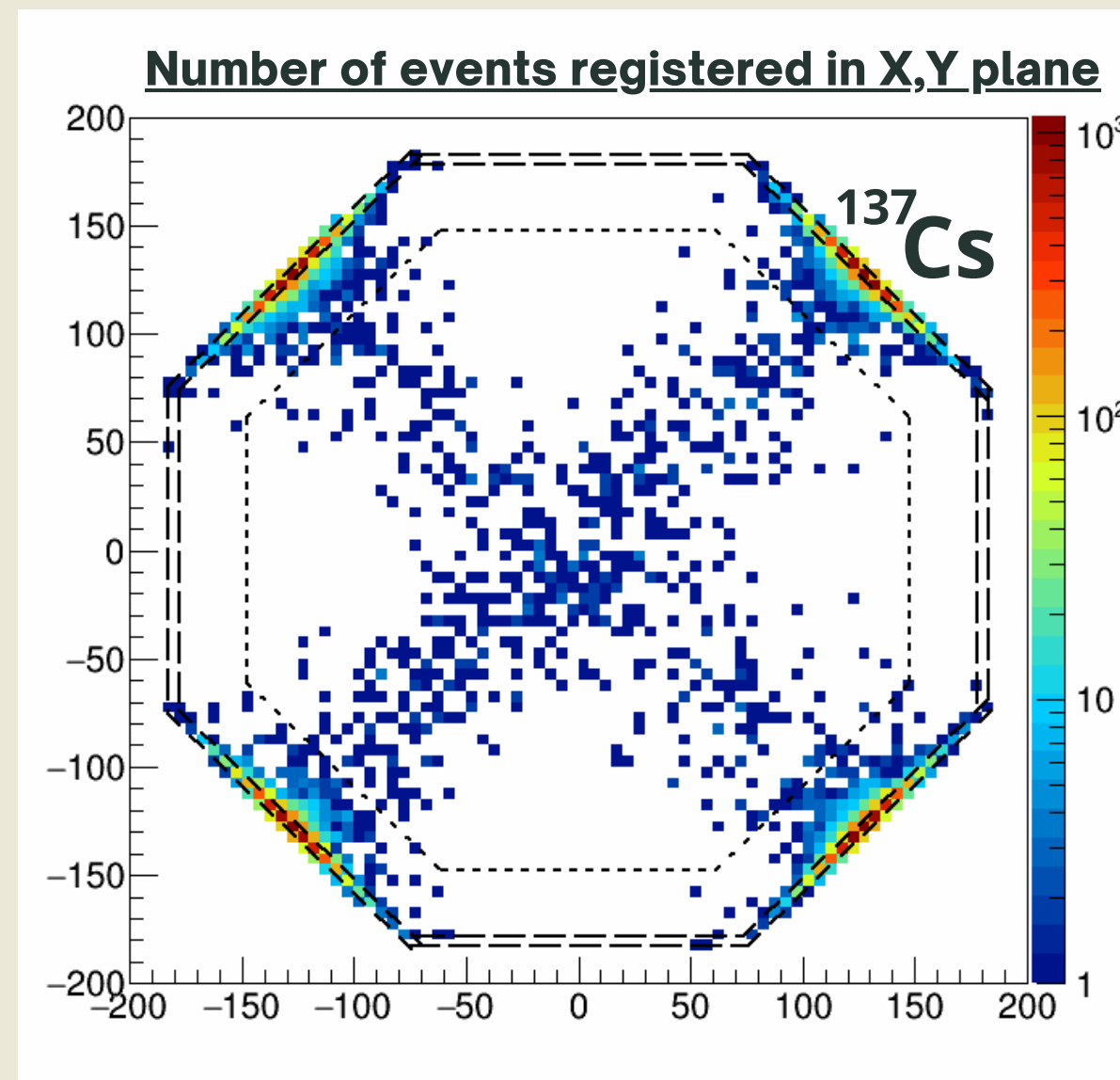
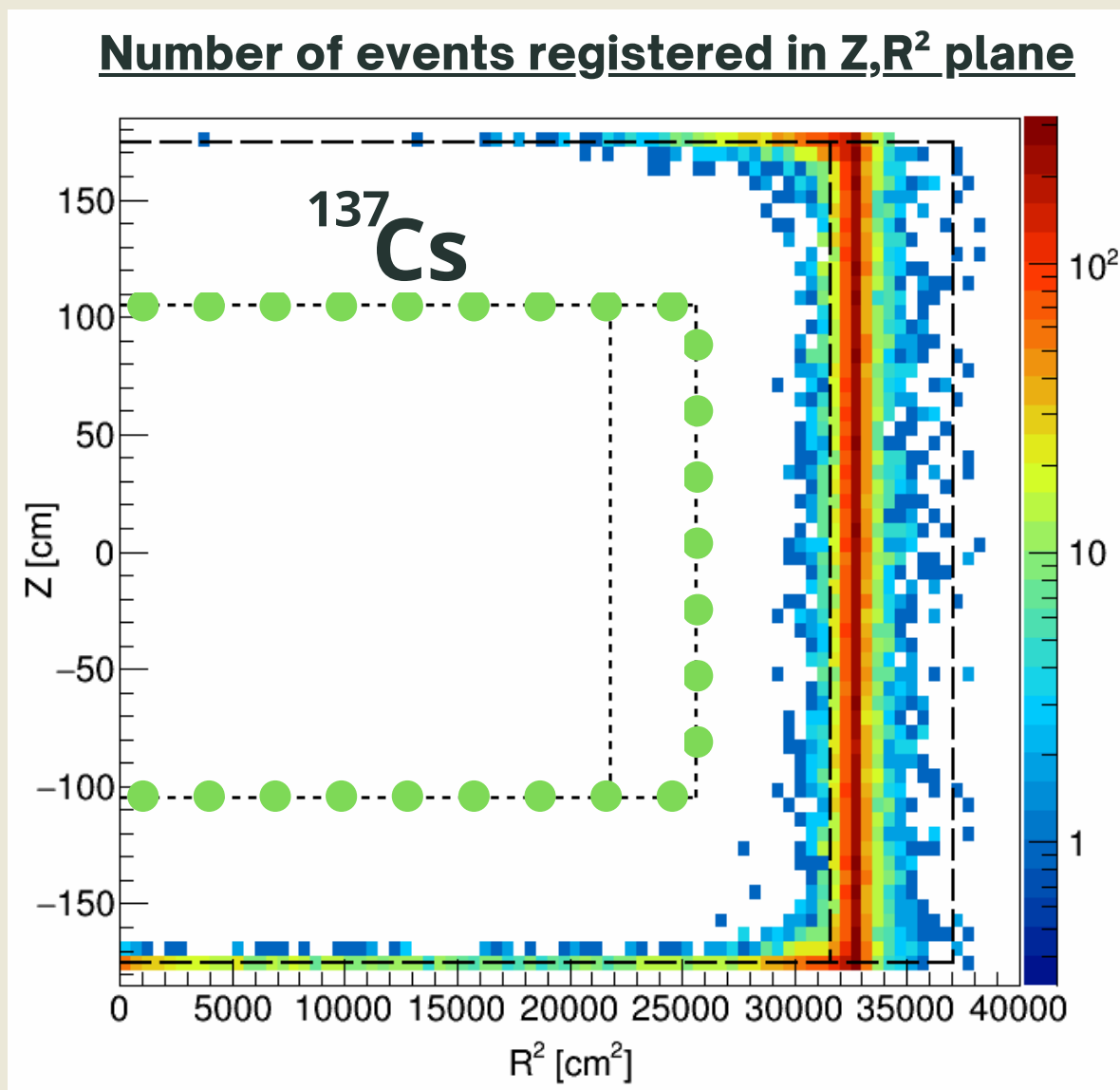
0 SS in FV (ROI)

SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV



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26478 SS at ROI



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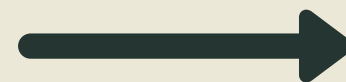
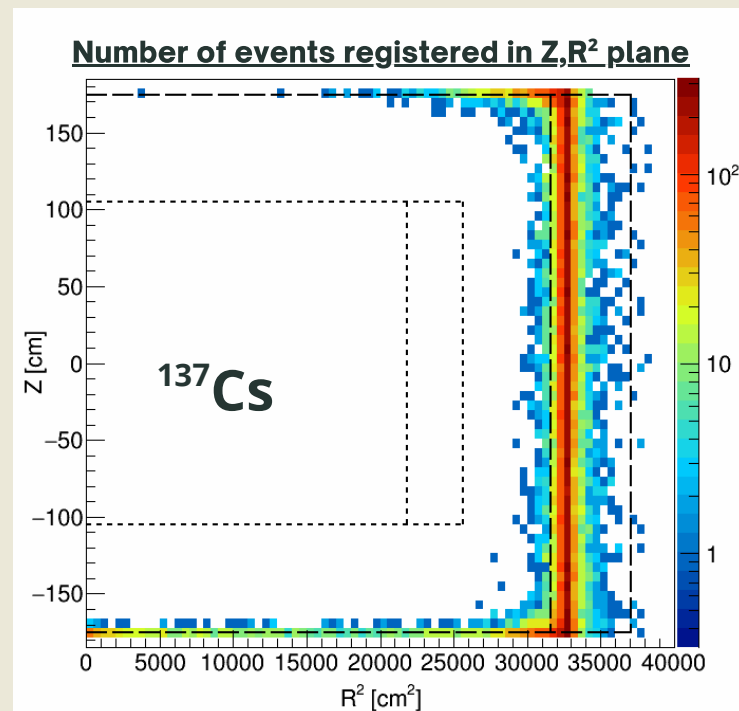
ER BACKGROUND RATES

DECAY PER YEAR ESTIMATION

ACTIVITY

STAINLESS STEEL ACTIVITY

Sample identifier	Radioactive contamination [mBq/kg]				
	²³² Th	²³⁸ U	⁶⁰ Co	⁴⁰ K	¹³⁷ Cs
SS	10	10	—	—	—
SS ArDM	20	50	13	6.4	1.5



< 2.3 events

Statistical margin

Exemple ¹³⁷Cs

$$\text{Activity} = 0.0015 \text{ Bq/kg}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Rate} &= 0.0015 \text{ Bq/kg} \times 29 \text{ kg} = 0.044 \text{ decay/s} \\ &= 1.4 \times 10^6 \text{ decay/y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Surviving Events Rate} &< \frac{2.3 \text{ events}}{10^7 \text{ events}} \cdot 1.4 \times 10^6 \text{ decay/y} \\ &= 0.31 \text{ events/y} \end{aligned}$$

PSD : $\times 10^{-8}$



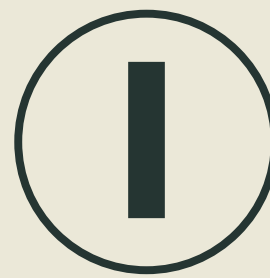
ER BACKGROUND RATES

Background event rates for 56kg of stainless steel, 1e7 events simulated

Element	Contamination (mBq/kg)	Decay/s	decay/y	events sim FV	events/y	events/y PSD
^{137}Cs	1.5	0.08	2.65e+06	<2.30	<0.60	<0.00
^{40}K	6.4	0.35	1.13e+07	<2.30	<2.59	<0.00
^{60}Co	13.0	0.72	2.30e+07	<2.30	<5.28	<0.00
^{238}U	50.0	2.80	8.83e+07	<2.30	<20.30	<0.00
^{232}Th	20.0	1.12	3.53e+07	<2.30	<8.12	<0.00

Predicted background rate [events/year]				
^{232}Th	^{238}U	^{60}Co	^{40}K	^{137}Cs
<1.6	<2.4	—	—	—
<4.4	<12.2	<1.1	<0.5	<0.1

A. Kish's results for 25 kg tube, and statistical margin of 1 (instead of 2.3)



ER BACKGROUND RATES

Background event rates for 29kg of ArDM stainless steel, 1e7 events simulated


Element	Contamination (mBq/kg)	Decay/s	decay/y	events sim FV	events/y	events/y PSD
^{137}Cs	1.5	0.04	1.37e+06	<2.30	<0.31	<0.00
^{40}K	6.4	0.18	5.86e+06	<2.30	<1.34	<0.00
^{60}Co	13.0	0.37	1.19e+07	<2.30	<2.73	<0.00
^{238}U	50.0	1.45	4.58e+07	<2.30	<10.52	<0.00
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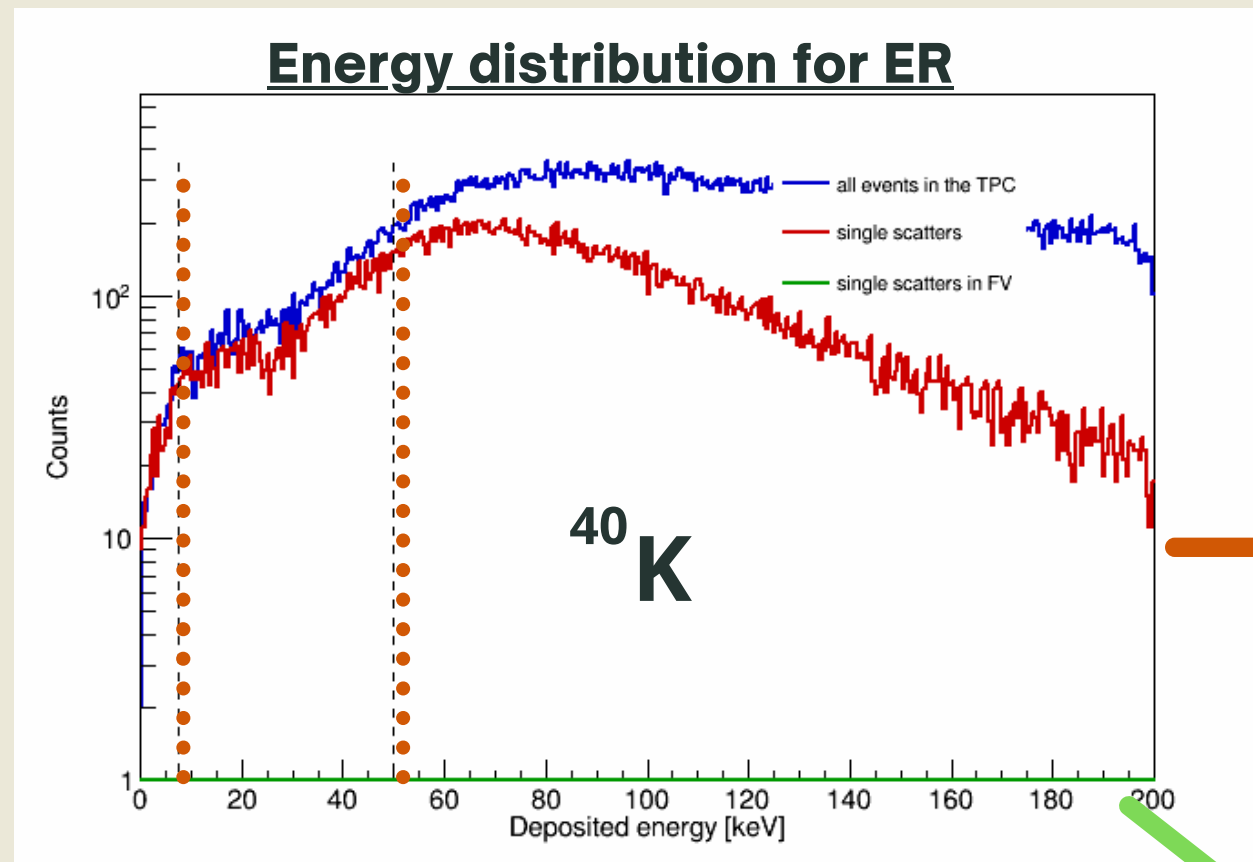
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<1.6	<2.4	—	—	—
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A. Kish's results for 25 kg tube, and statistical margin of 1 (instead of 2.3)

OTHER SOURCES



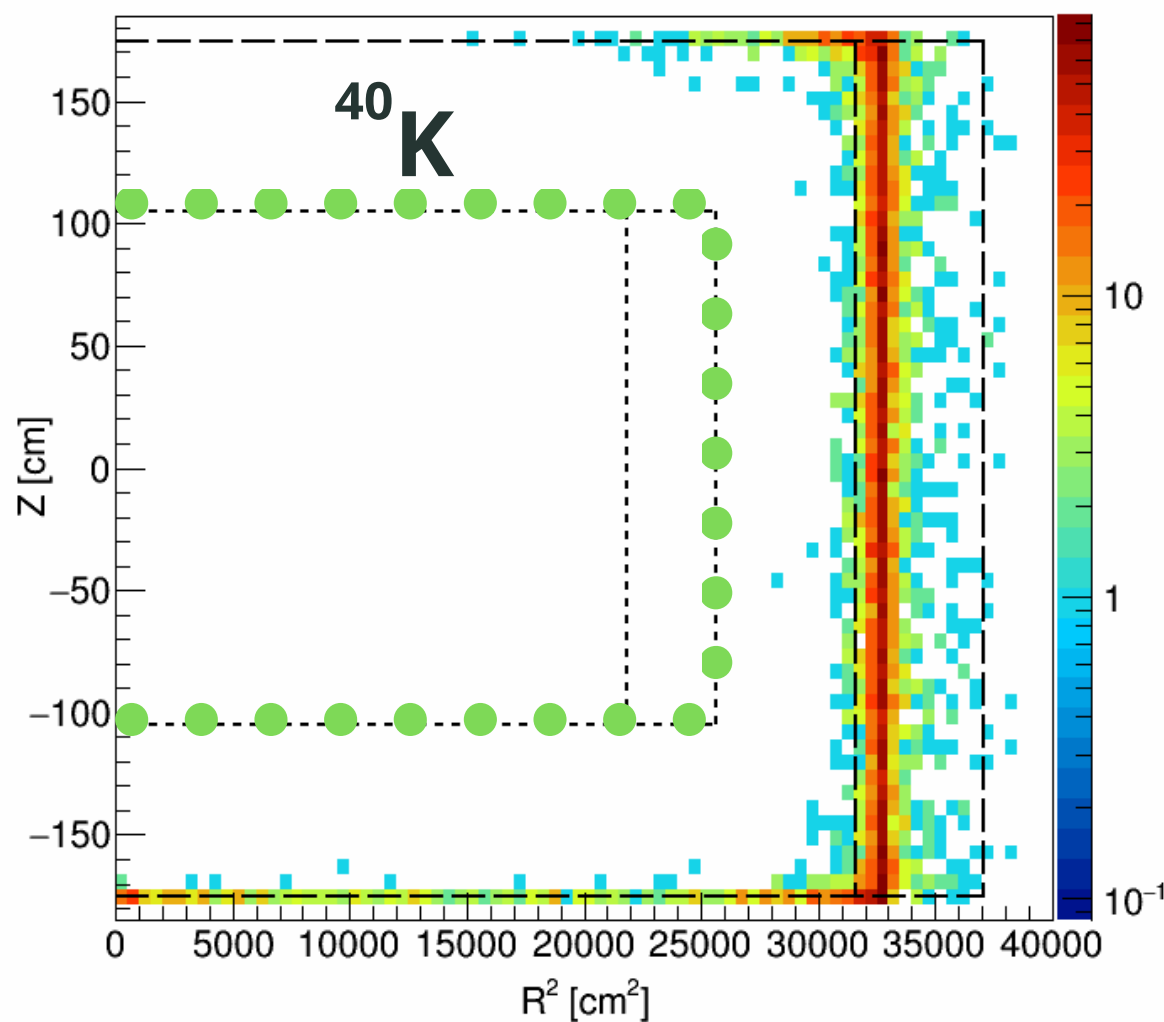

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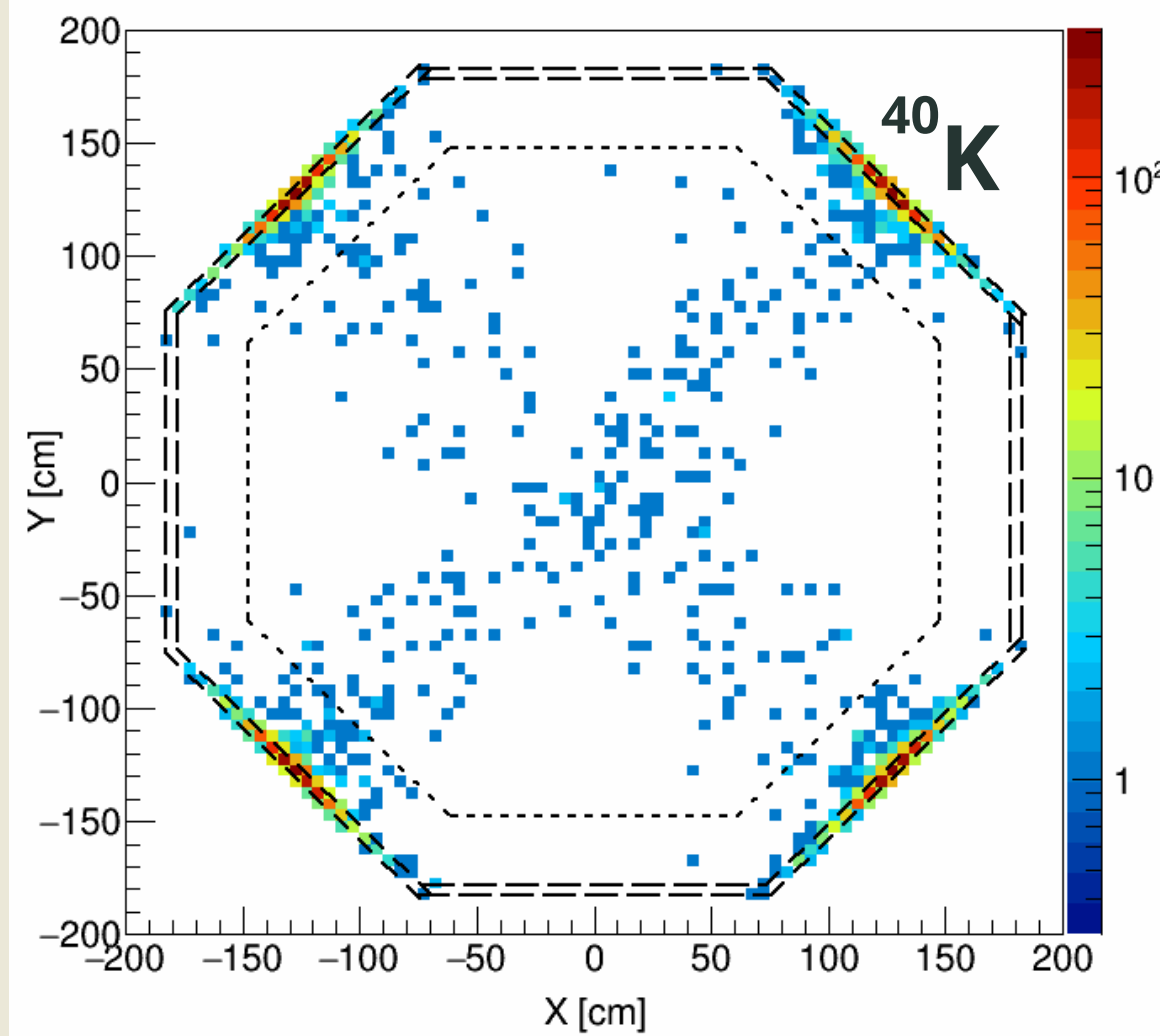
**ONLY SINGLE
SCATTERS (SS)
IN ROI**

6557 SS at ROI

Number of events registered in Z,R² plane

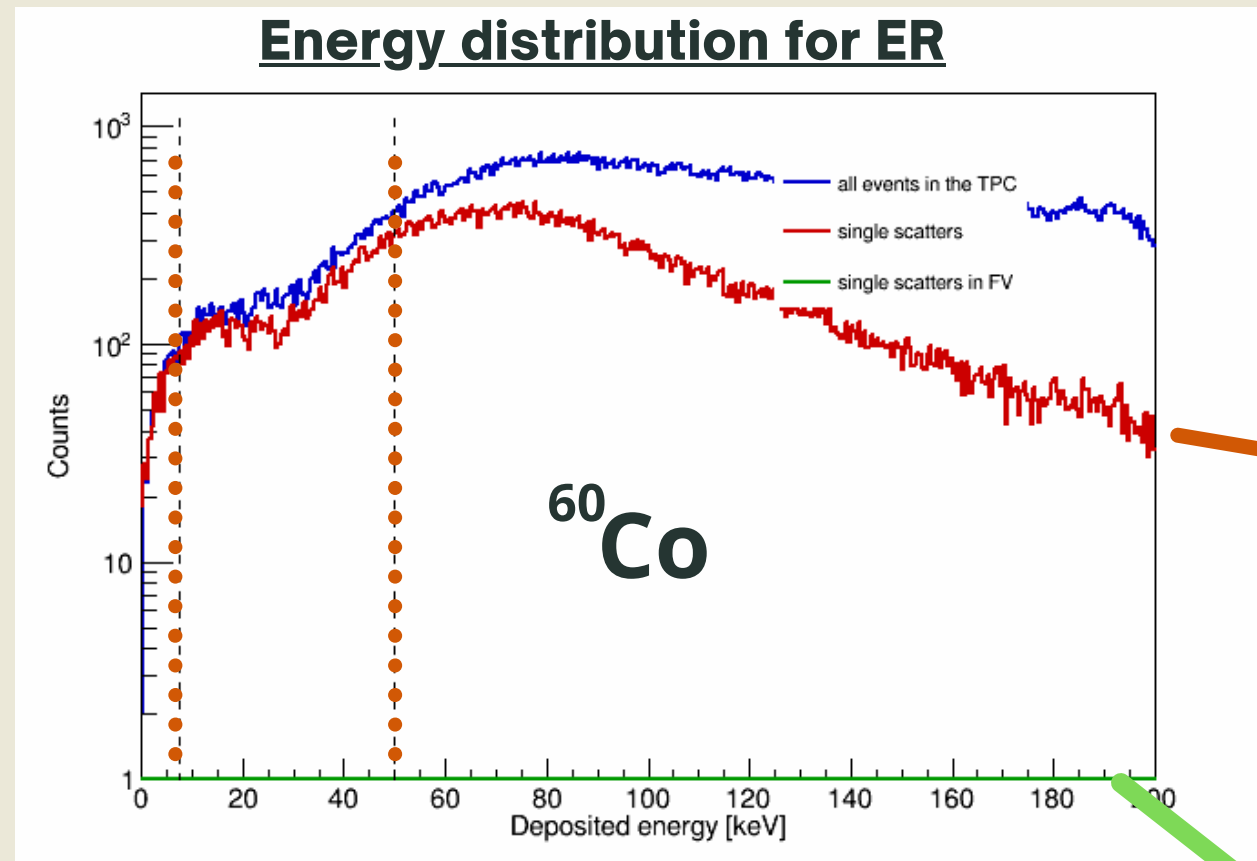


Number of events registered in X,Y plane



0 SS in FV (ROI)

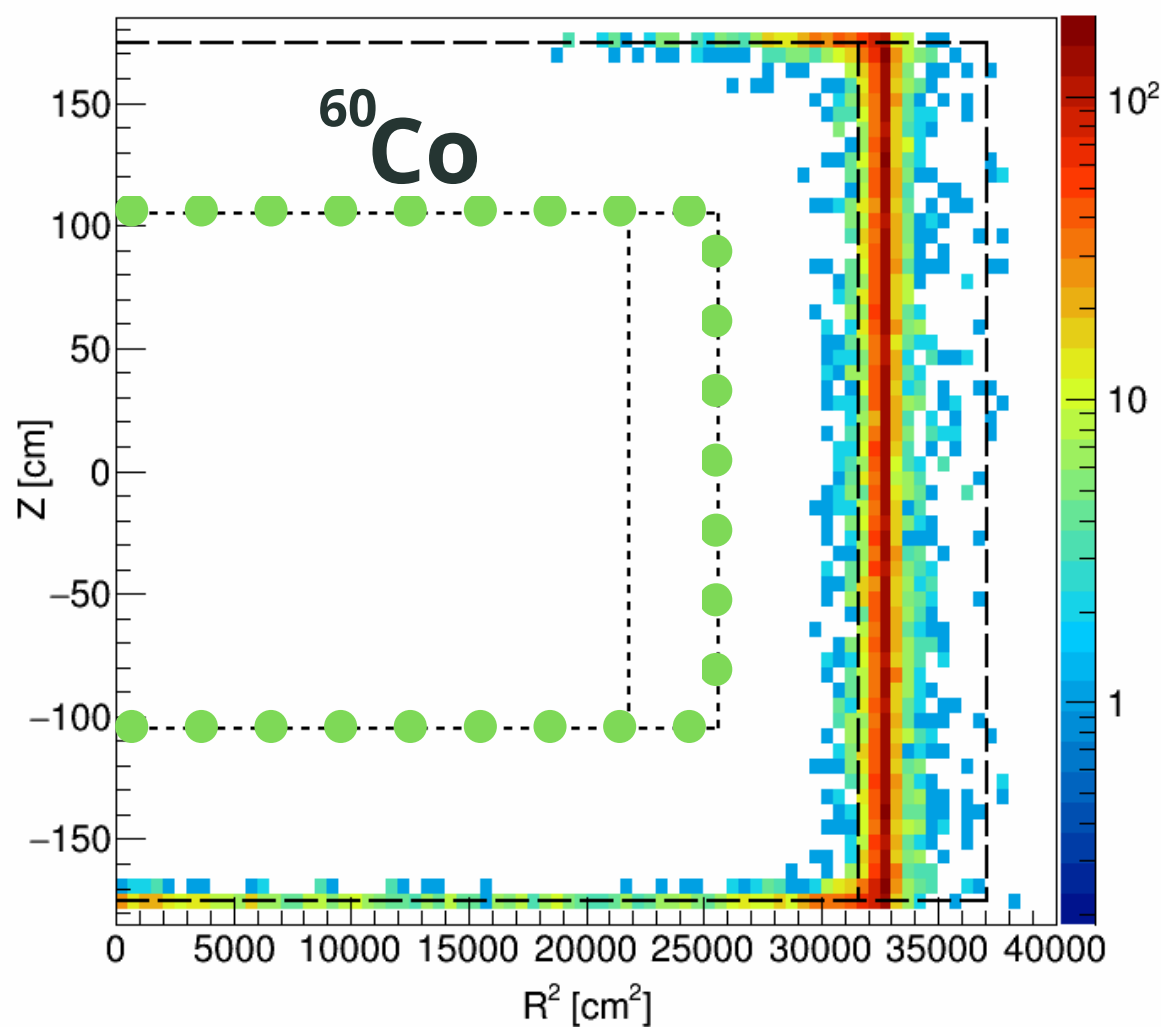
**SINGLE SCATTERS
IN ROI
INSIDE FV**



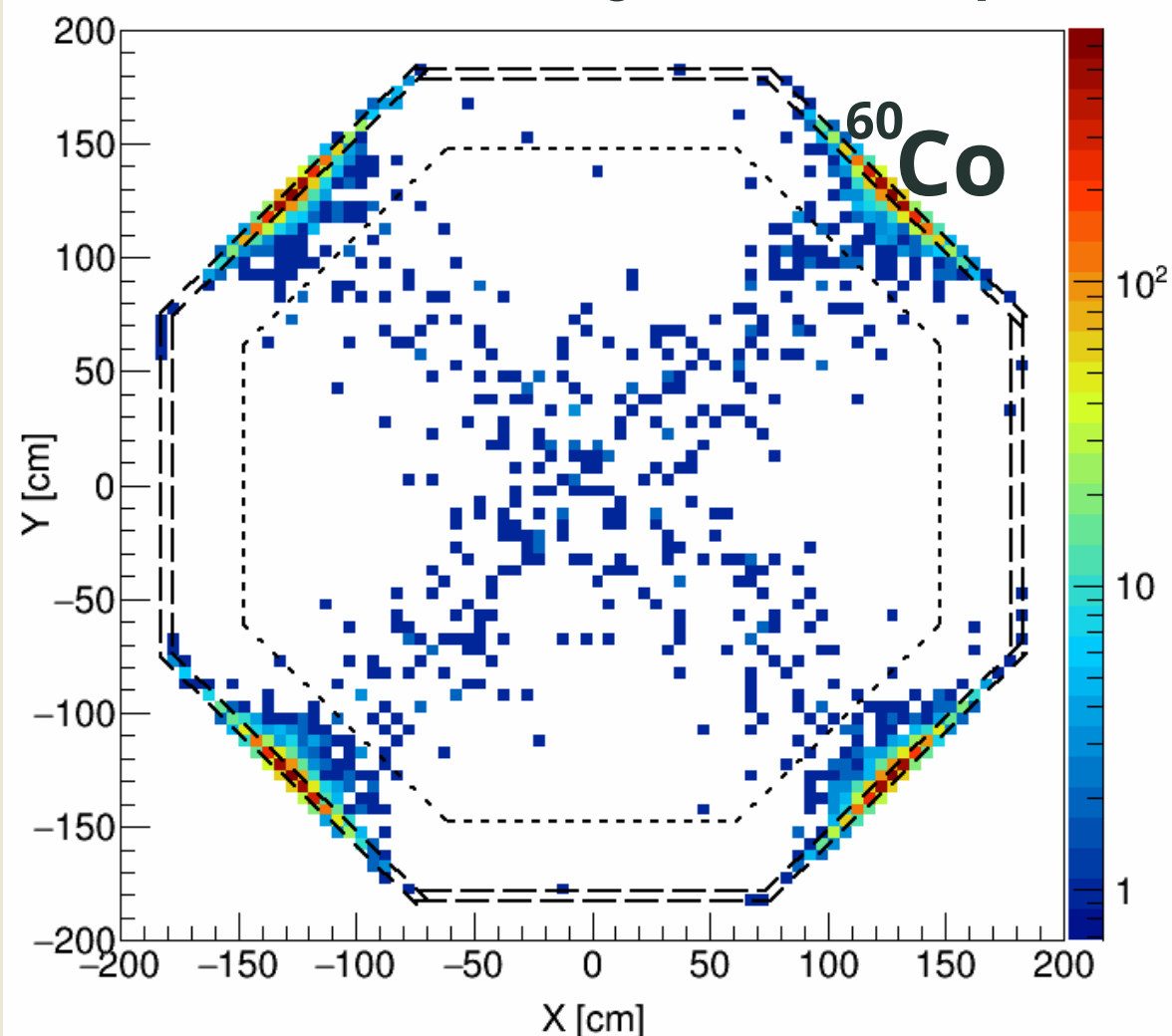
ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

68564 SS at ROI

Number of events registered in Z,R² plane

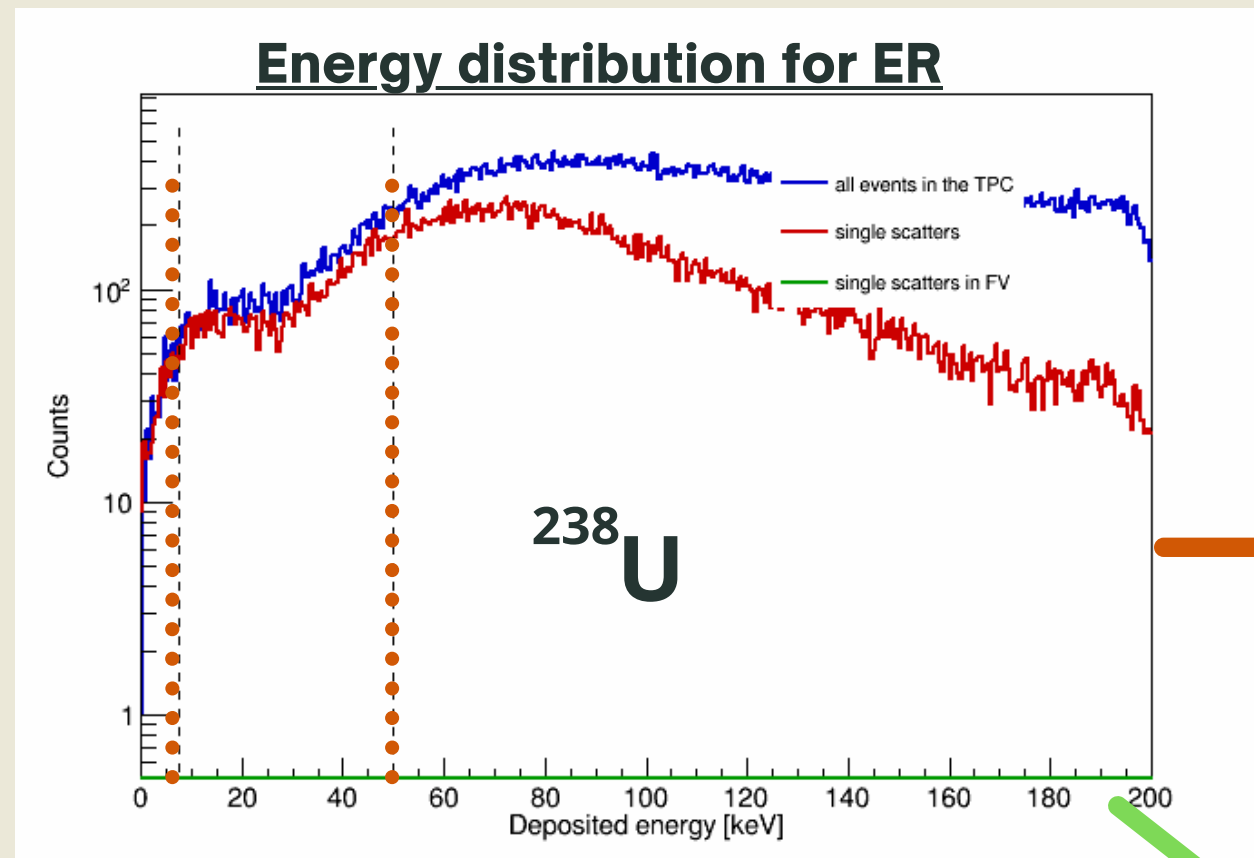


Number of events registered in X,Y plane



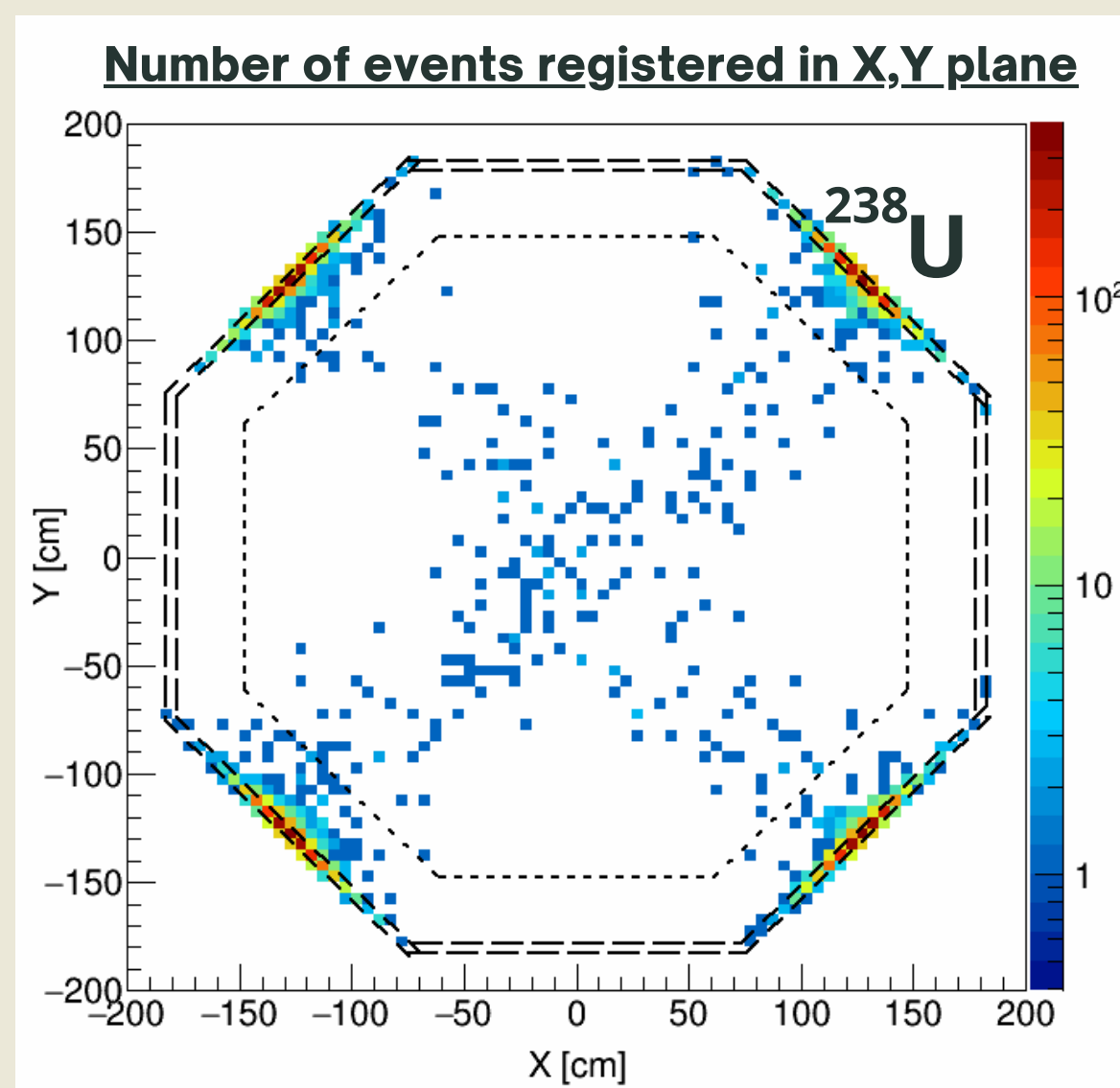
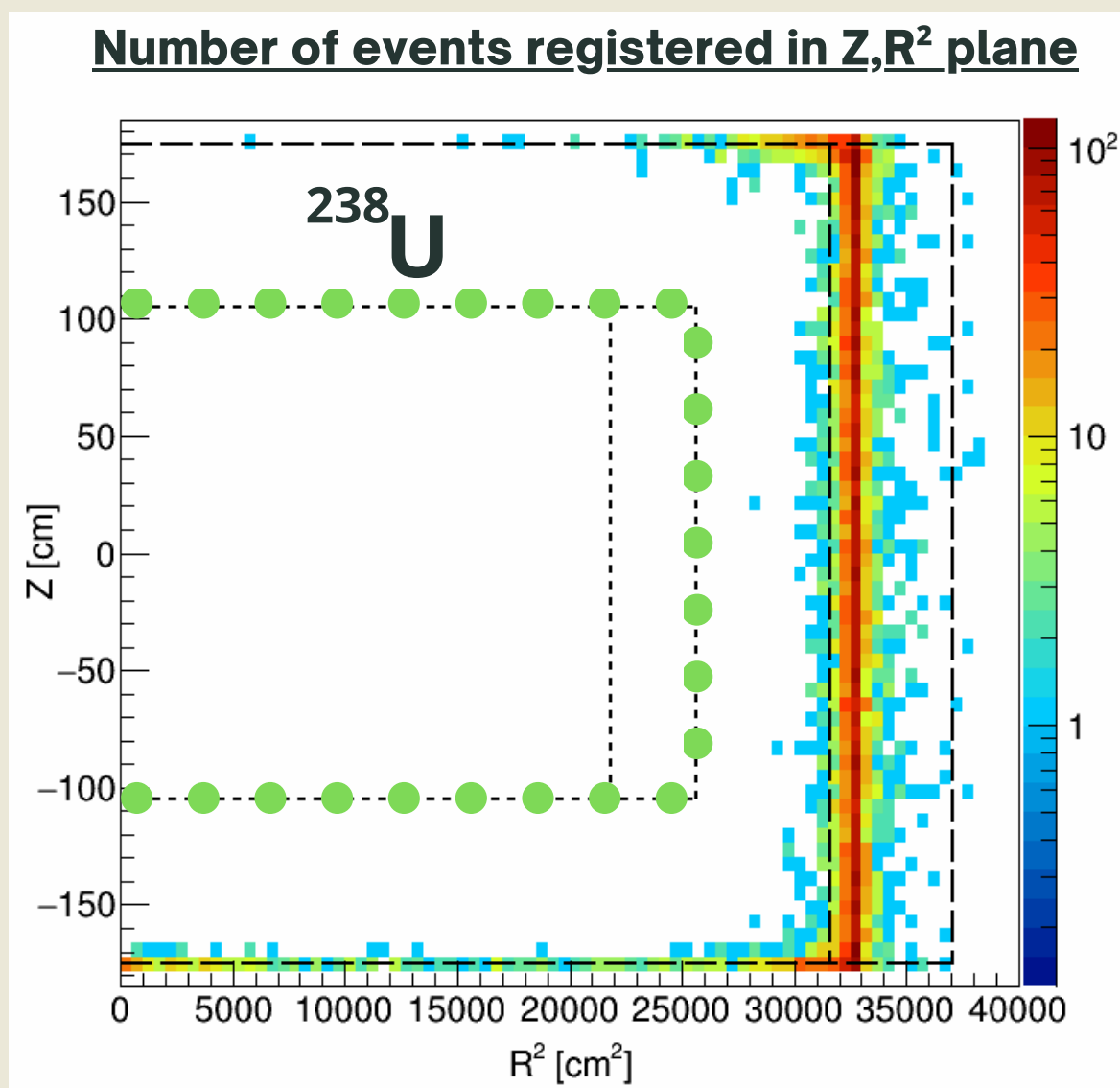
0 SS in FV (ROI)

SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV



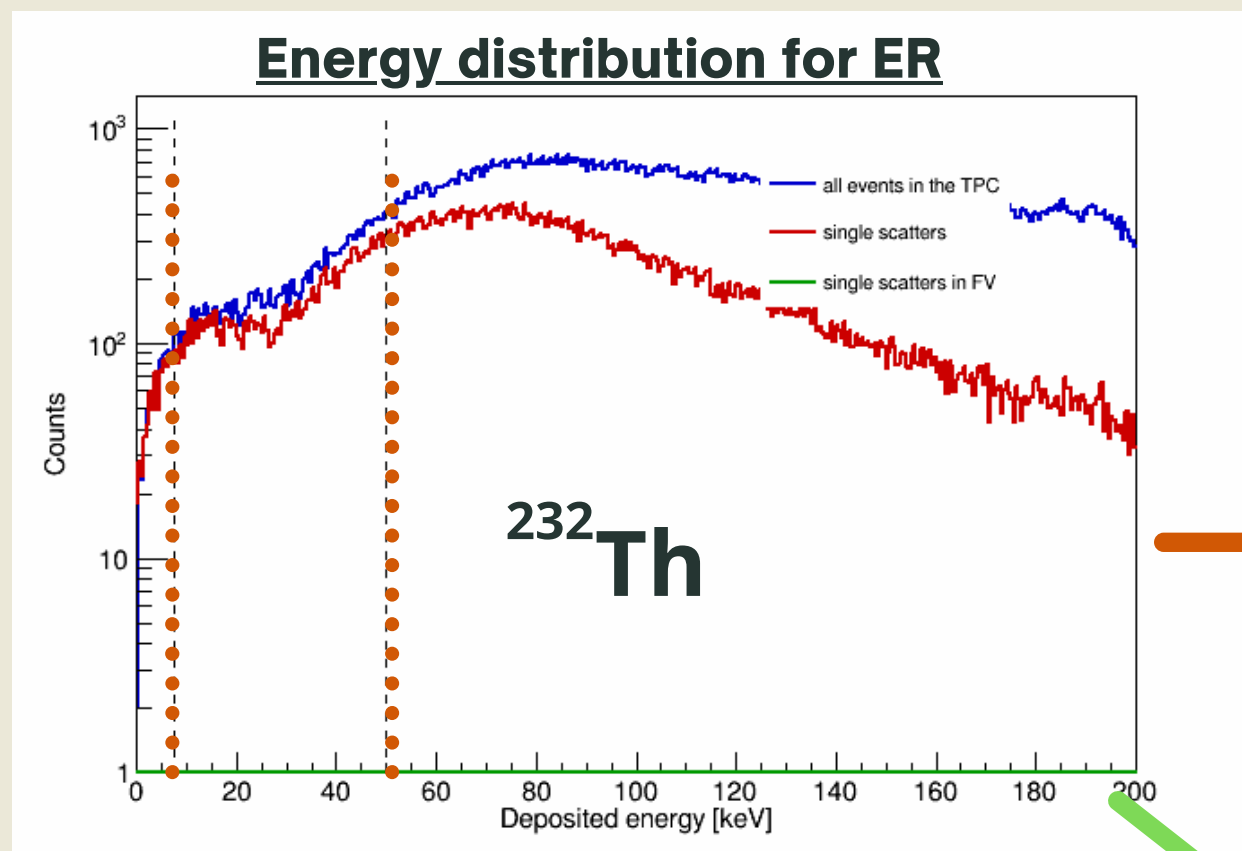
ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

8046 SS at ROI



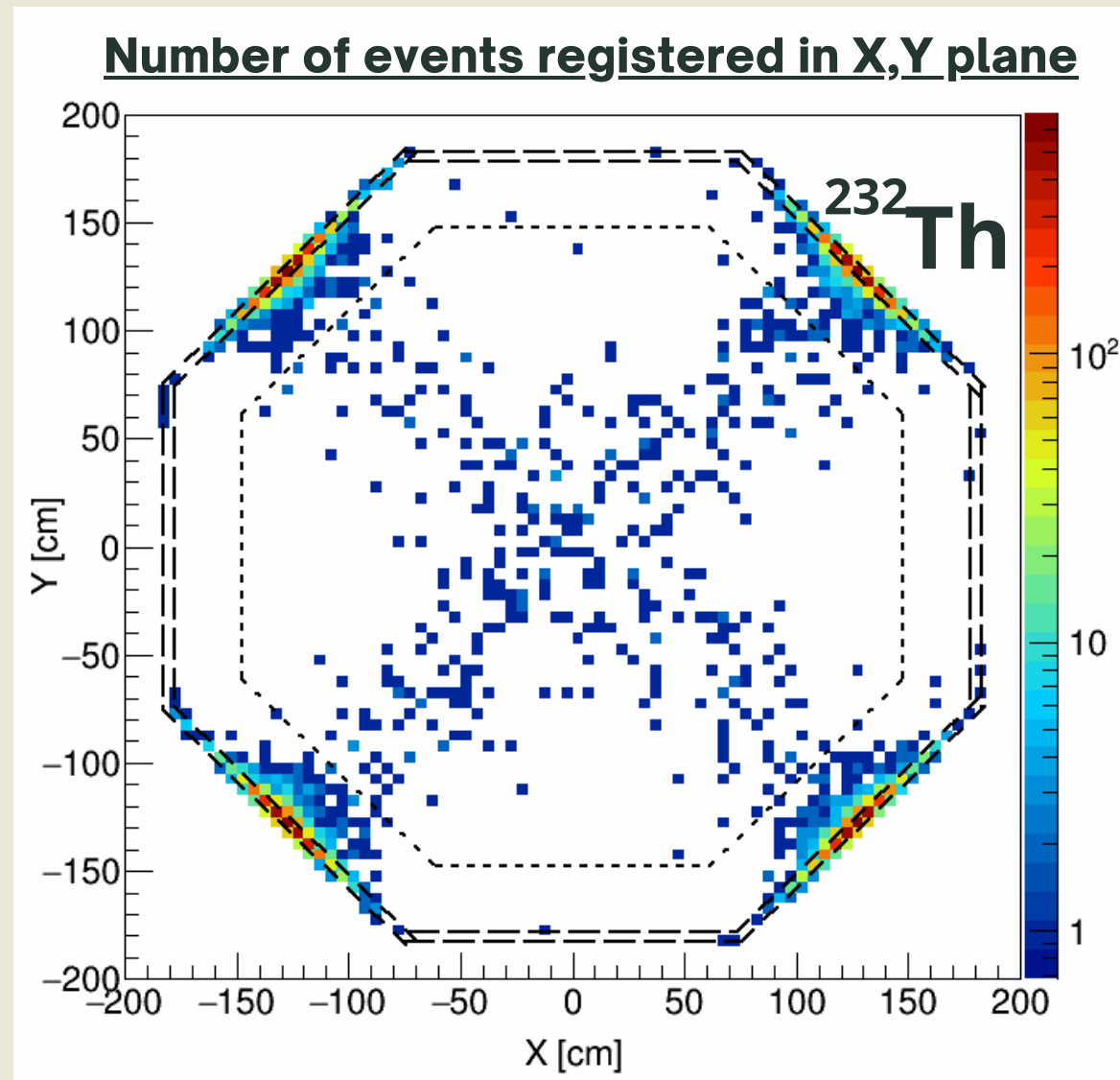
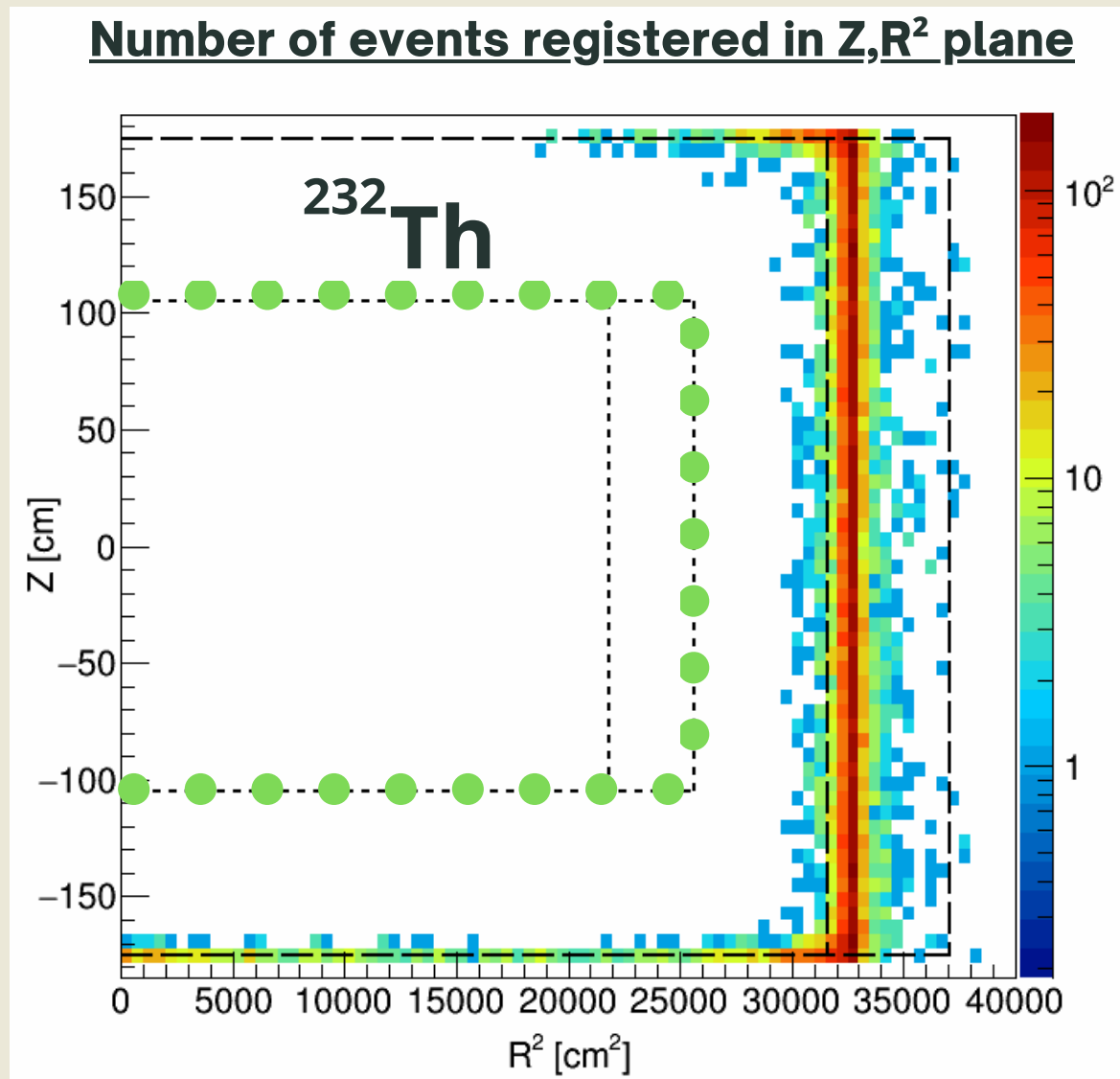
0 SS in FV (ROI)

SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV



ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

13833 SS at ROI



0 SS in FV (ROI)

SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV

NR* BACKGROUND RATES



A

Estimate decay rates from radioactive elements of the tube

B

Find the number of events in the TPC volume through GEANT4DS simulation of the tube for each radioactive source

C

Apply various cuts to estimate the number of remaining events in a given fiducial volume



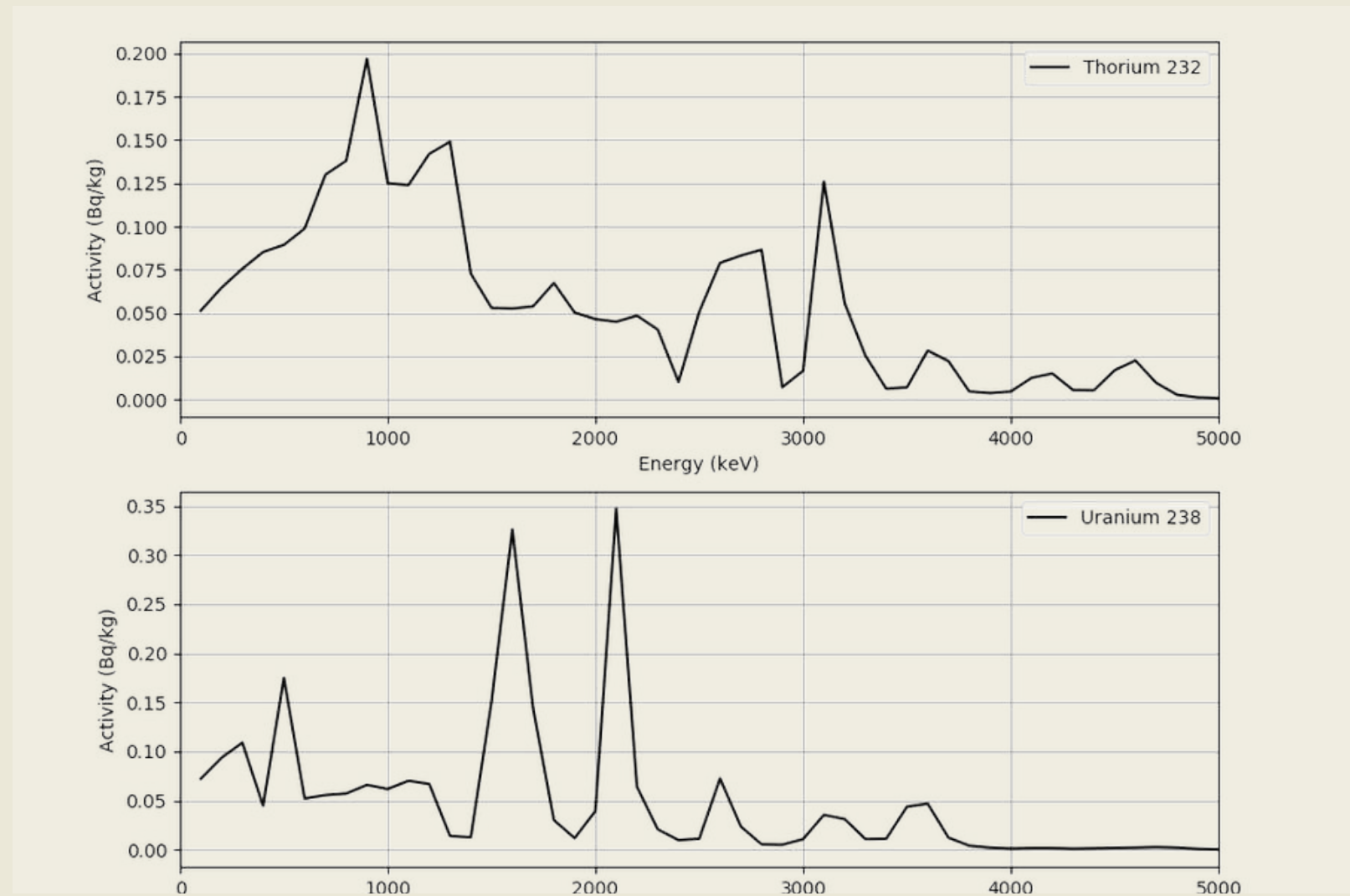
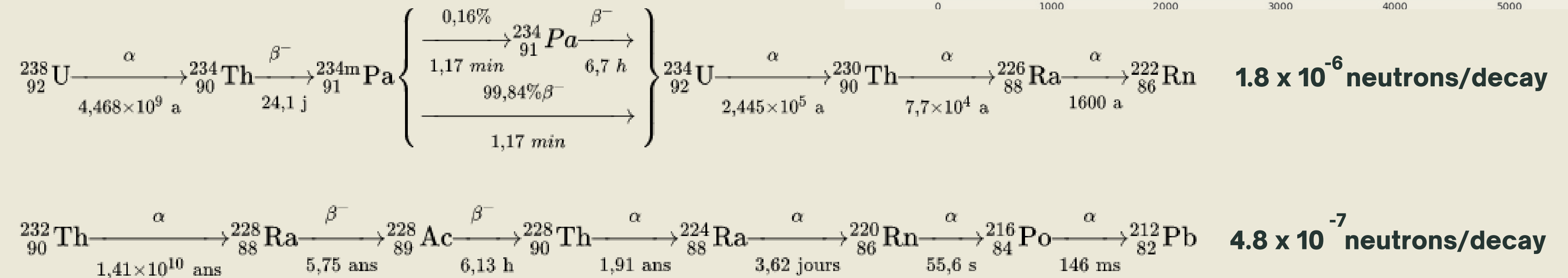
NEUTRON SOURCES

A - DECAY RATE

In underground experiments looking for rare events such as WIMPs interaction, some background events may be caused by neutrons single-scatter interactions. Those are expected to be indistinguishable from the events of interest.

Nuclear yield from **(α , n) reactions** depends on the alpha energy, cross-section of the reaction and alpha energy loss in a stainless steel. The rate has to take into account all the decay chain.

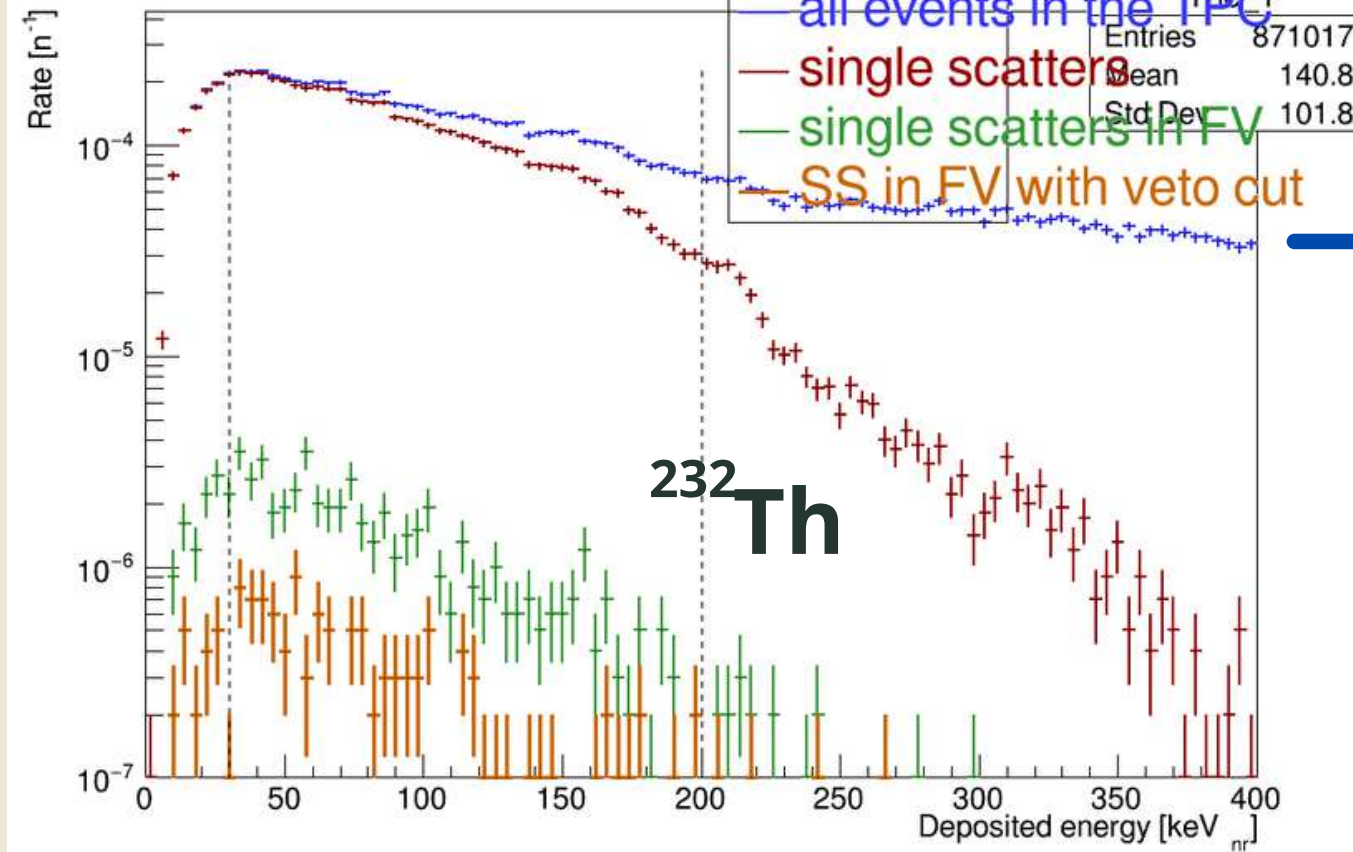
Spontaneous fission contribution is only significant for U238





B - SIMULATION

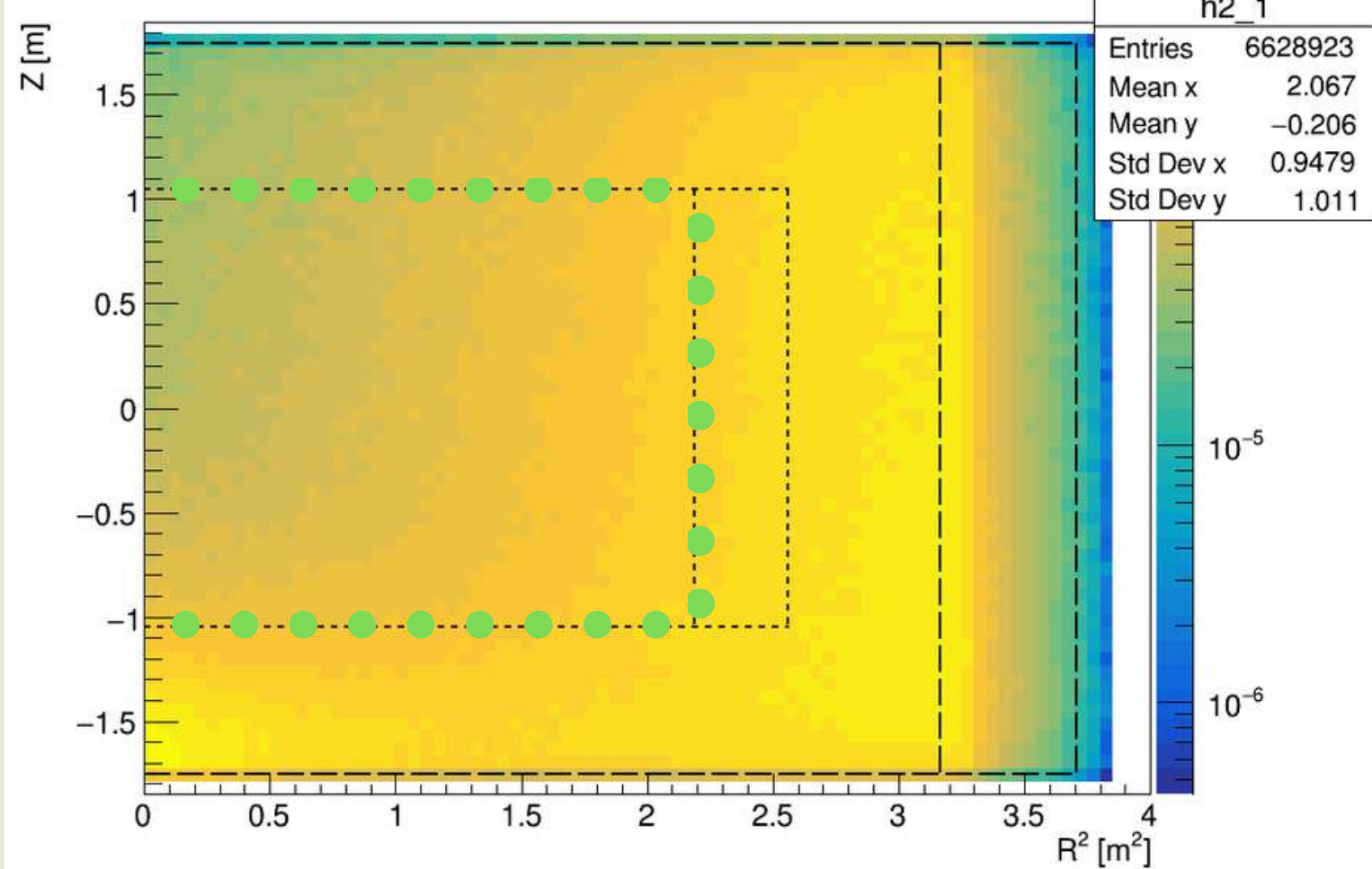
Energy distribution for NR



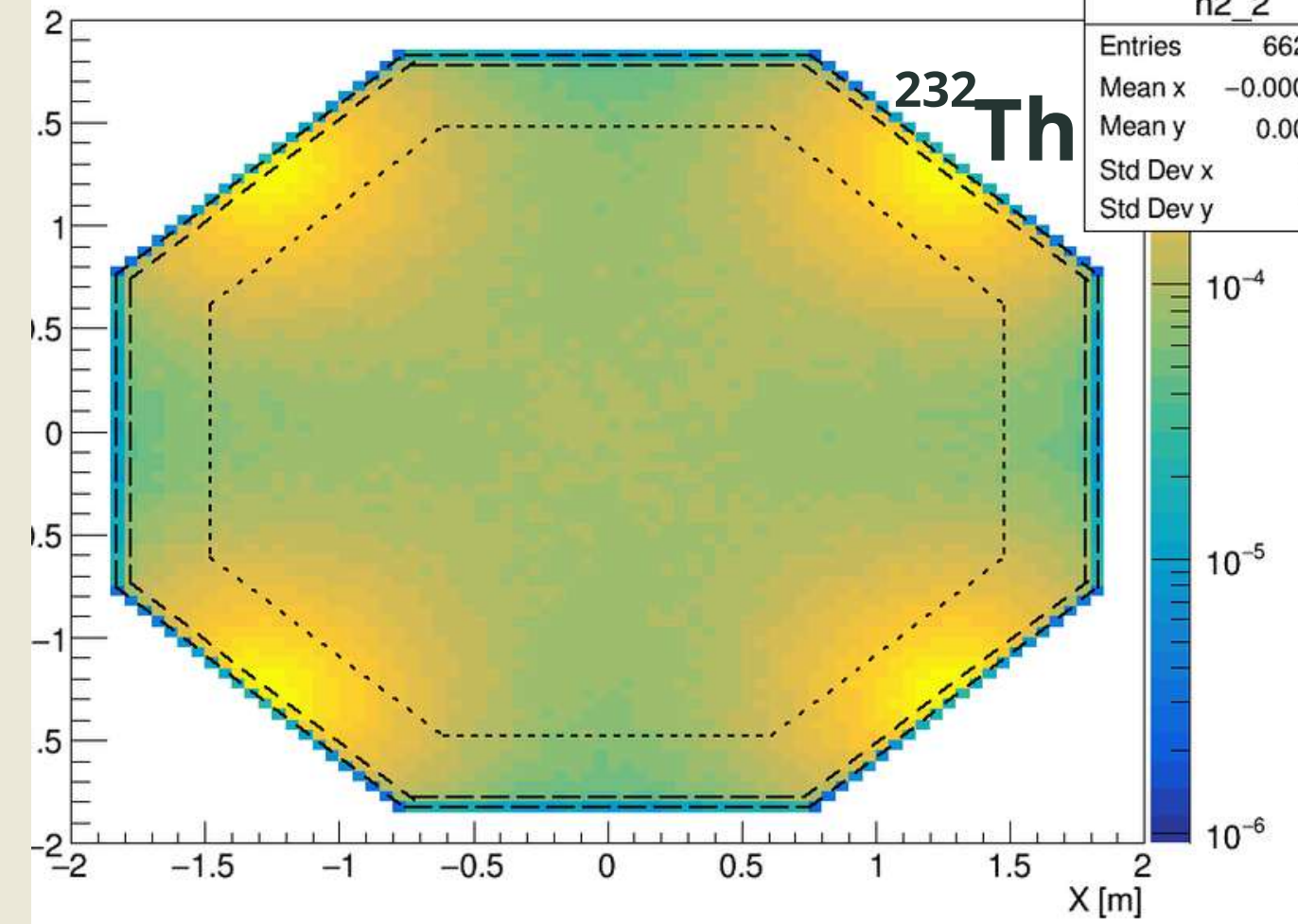
64174 ROI events in TPC

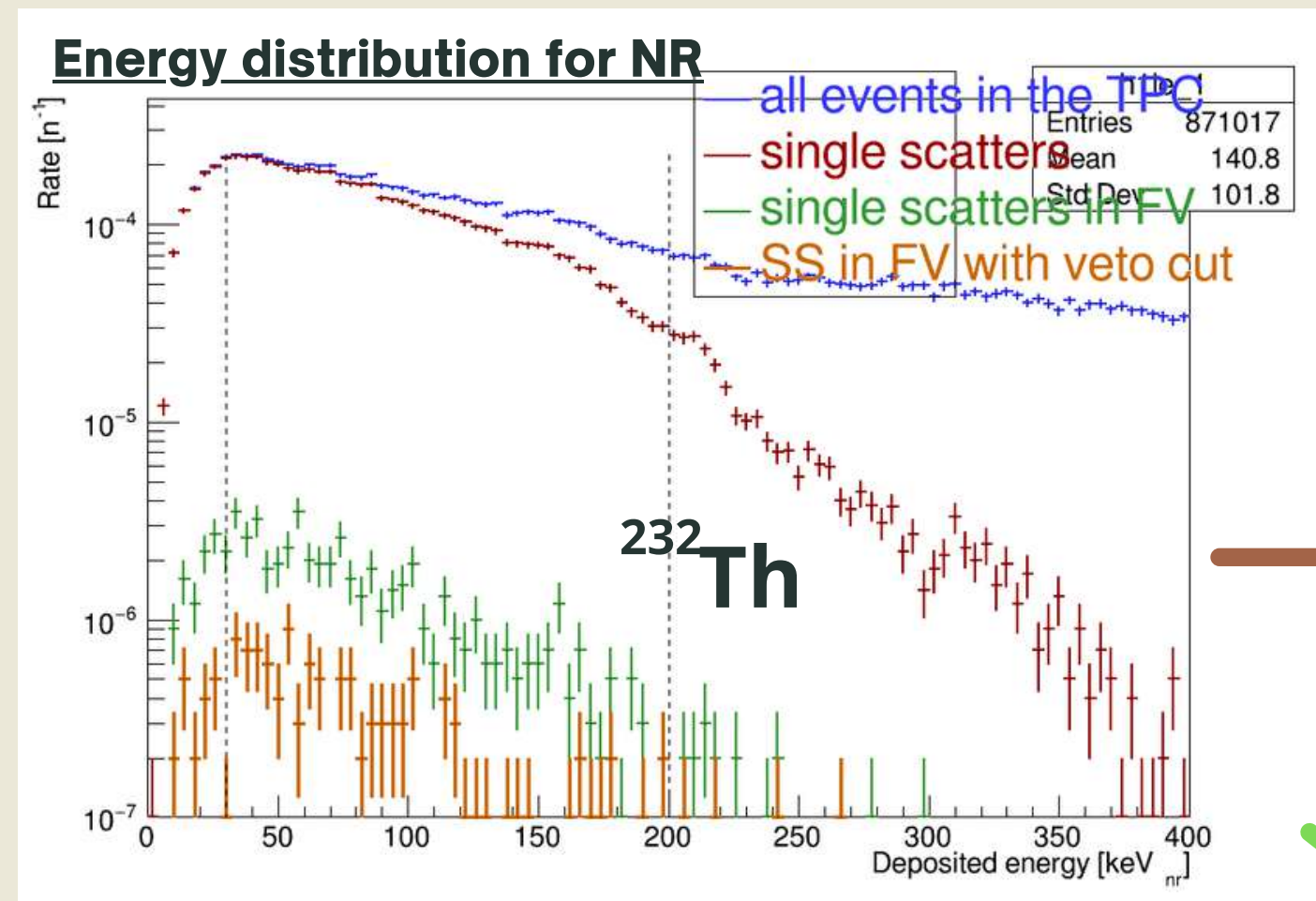
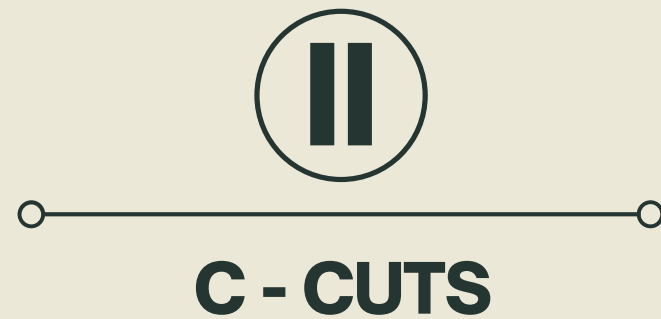
**ALL NR
at ROI $\in [30,200 keVee]$**

events registered in Z,R² plane



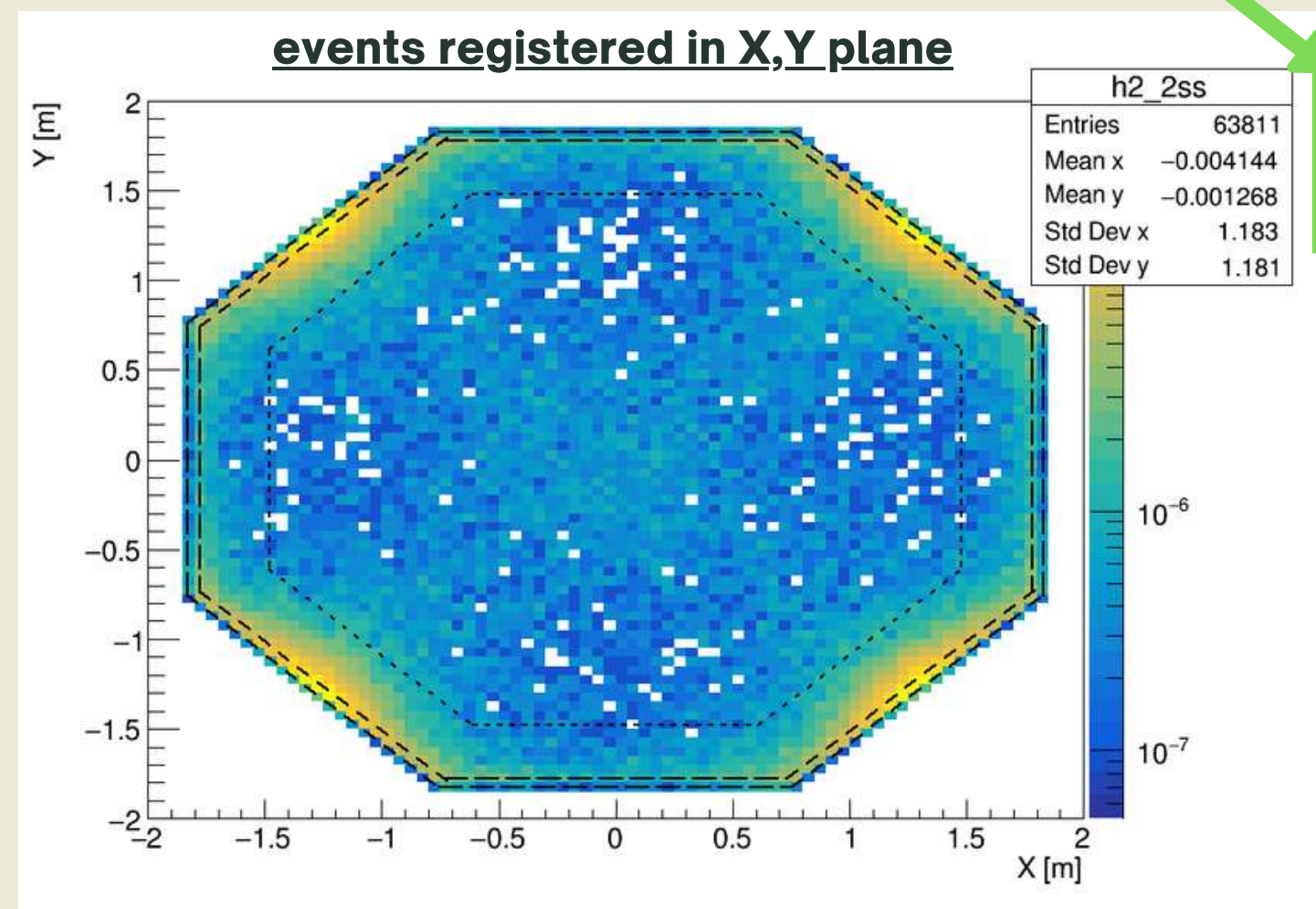
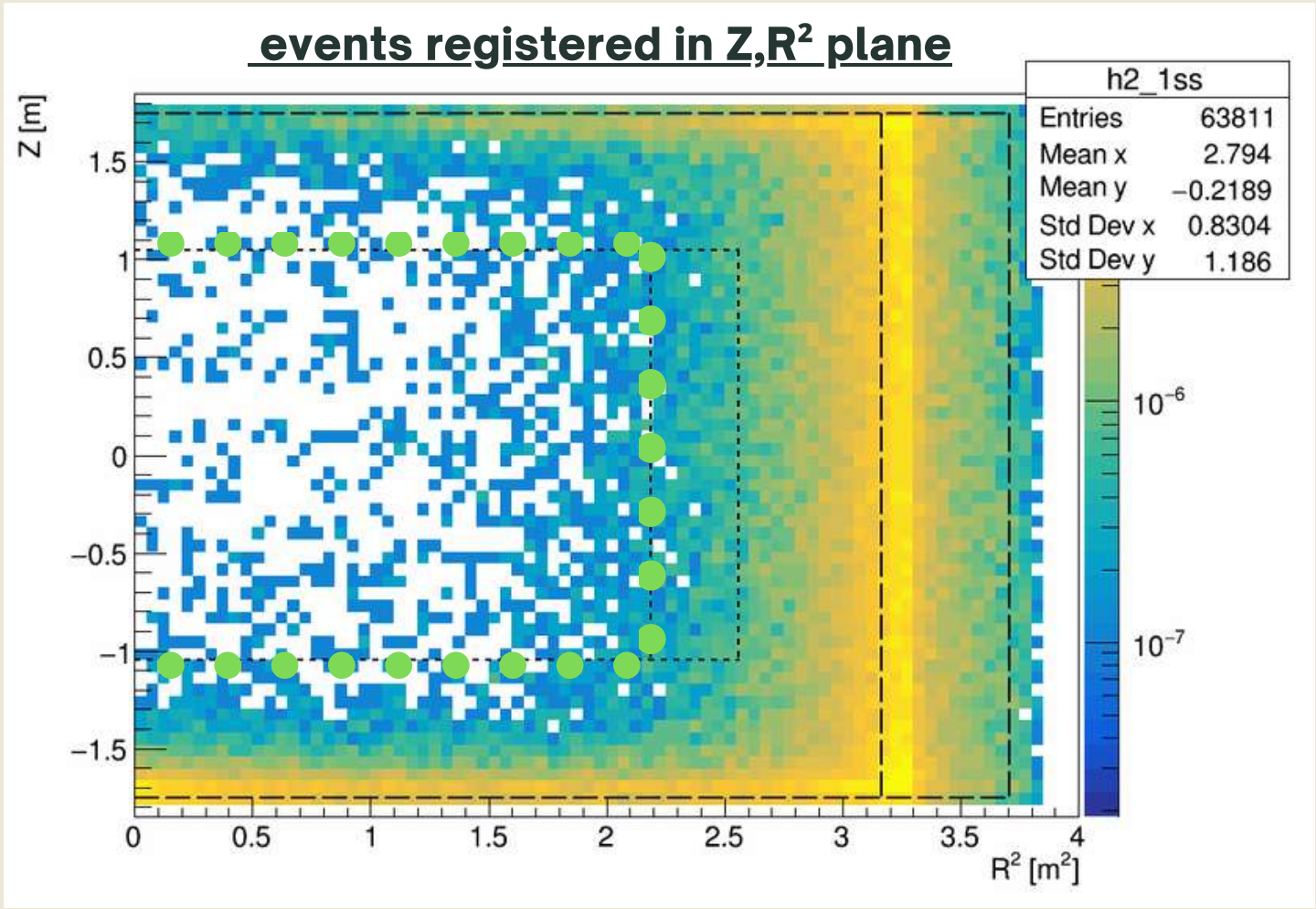
events registered in X,Y plane





ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

53470 SS at ROI



567 SS in FV (ROI)

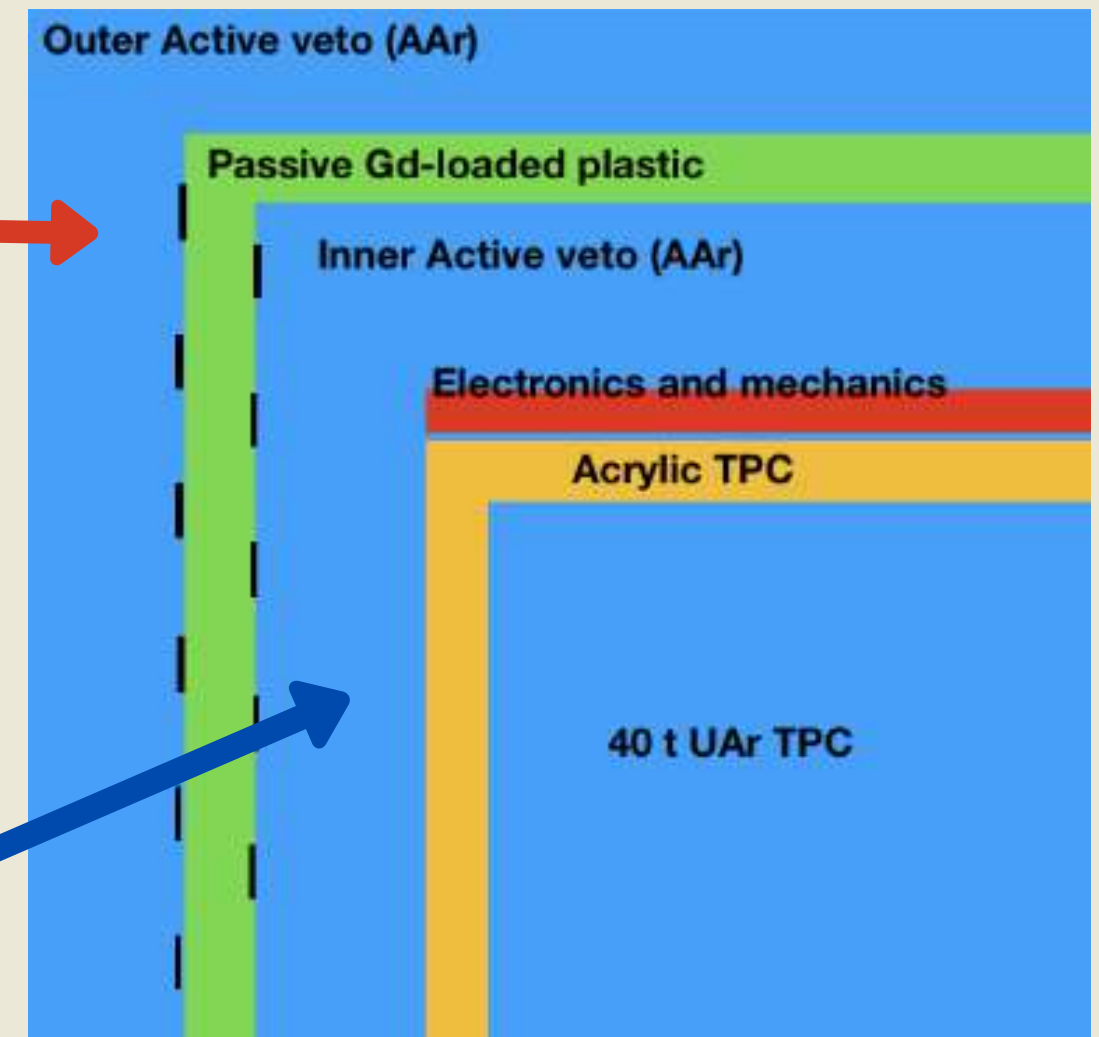
SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV



C - CUTS

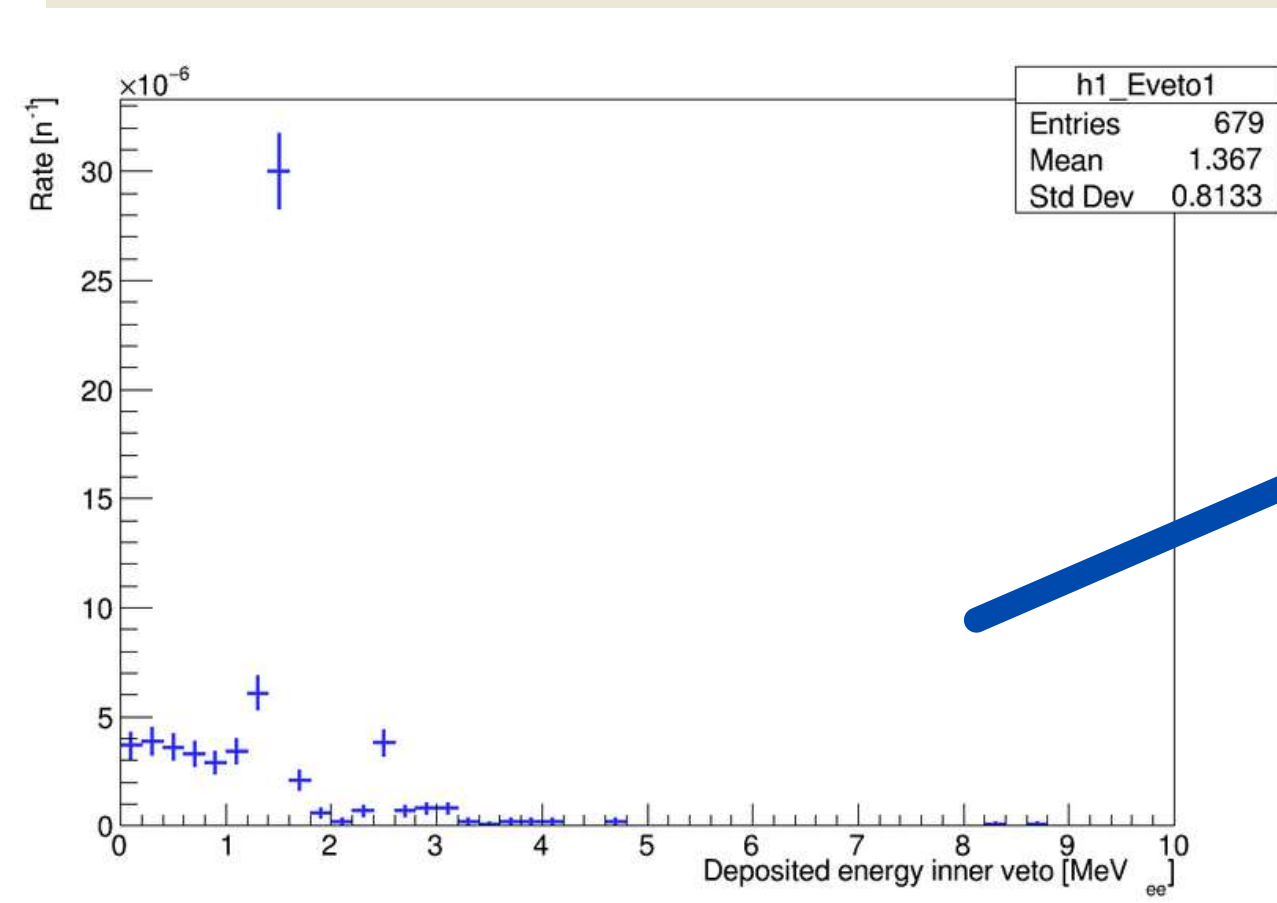
DISCRIMINATION OF EVENTS BY VETO COINCIDENCE

PLAN A

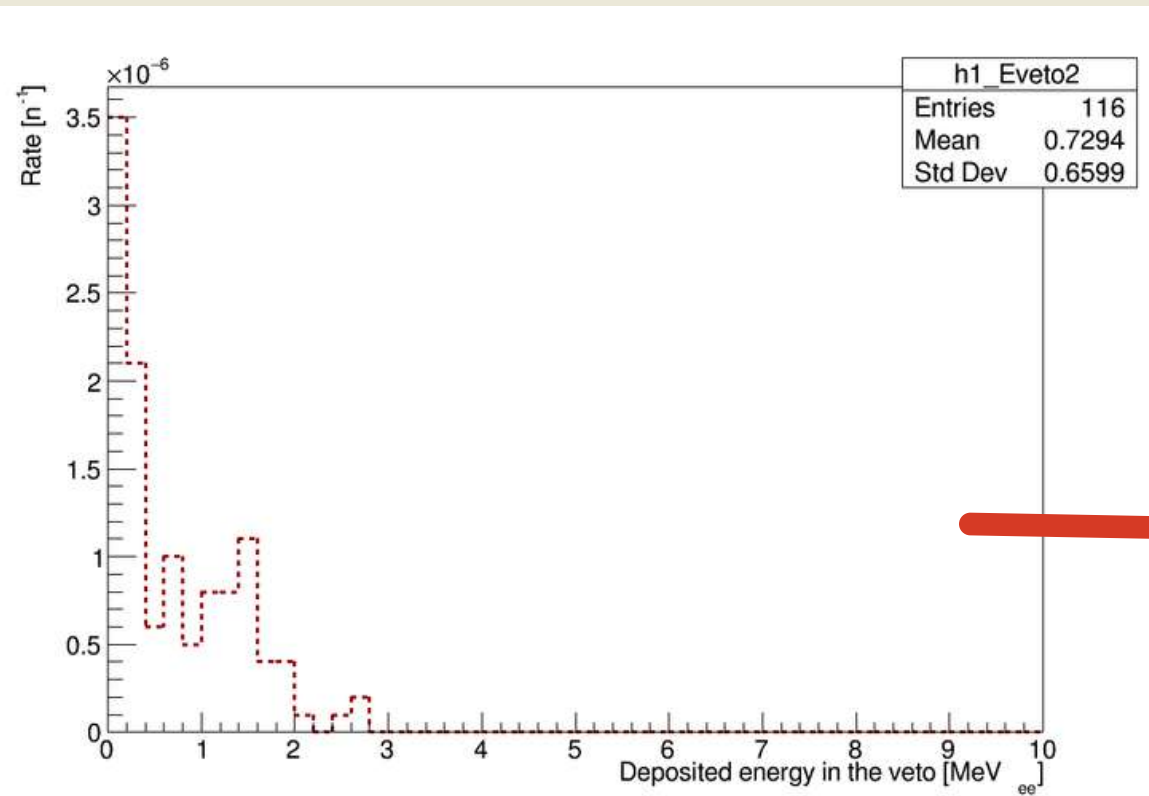


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Energy distribution rates for veto1



Energy distribution rates for veto2

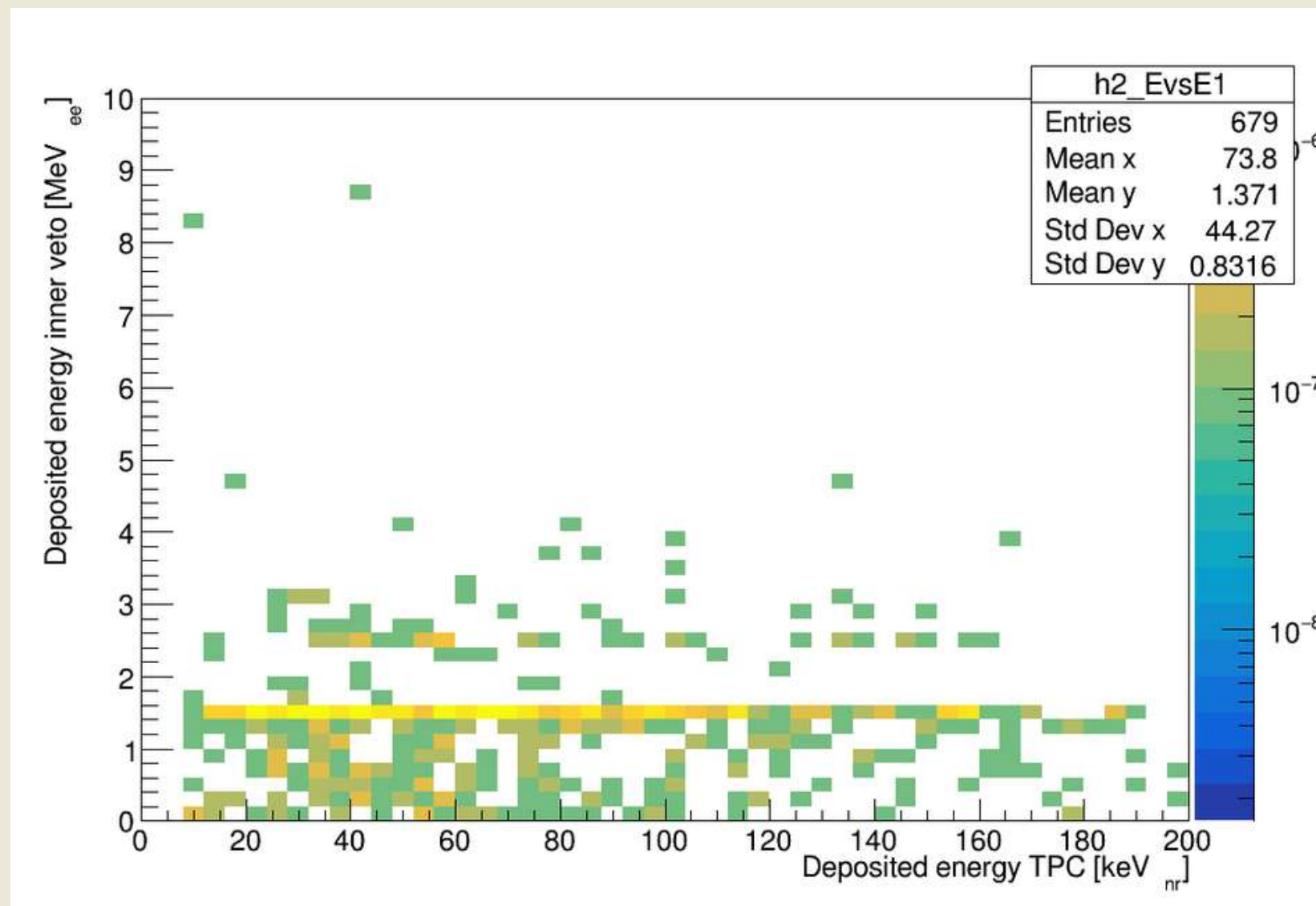




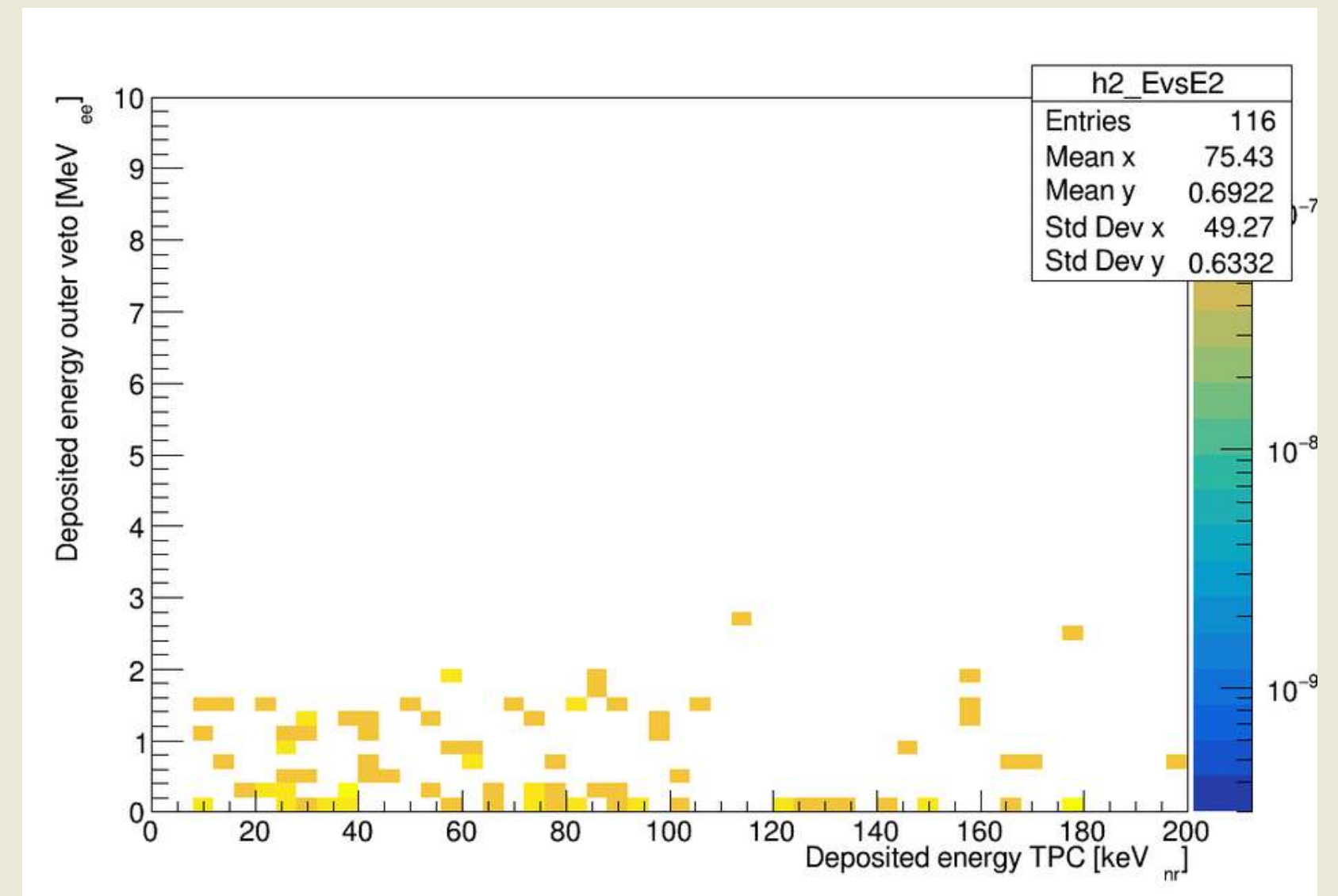
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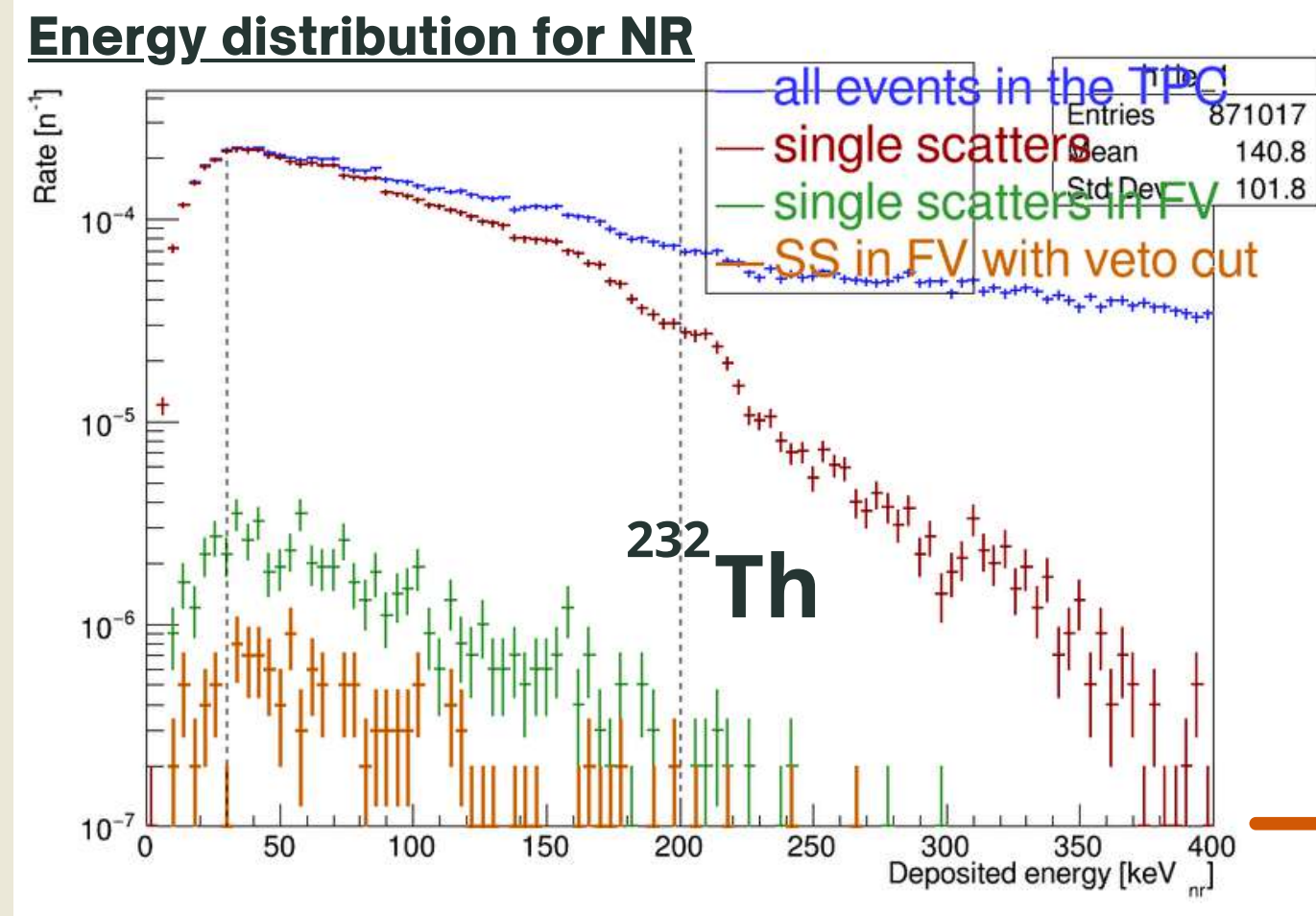
VETO ENERGY COINCIDENCE

Inner veto



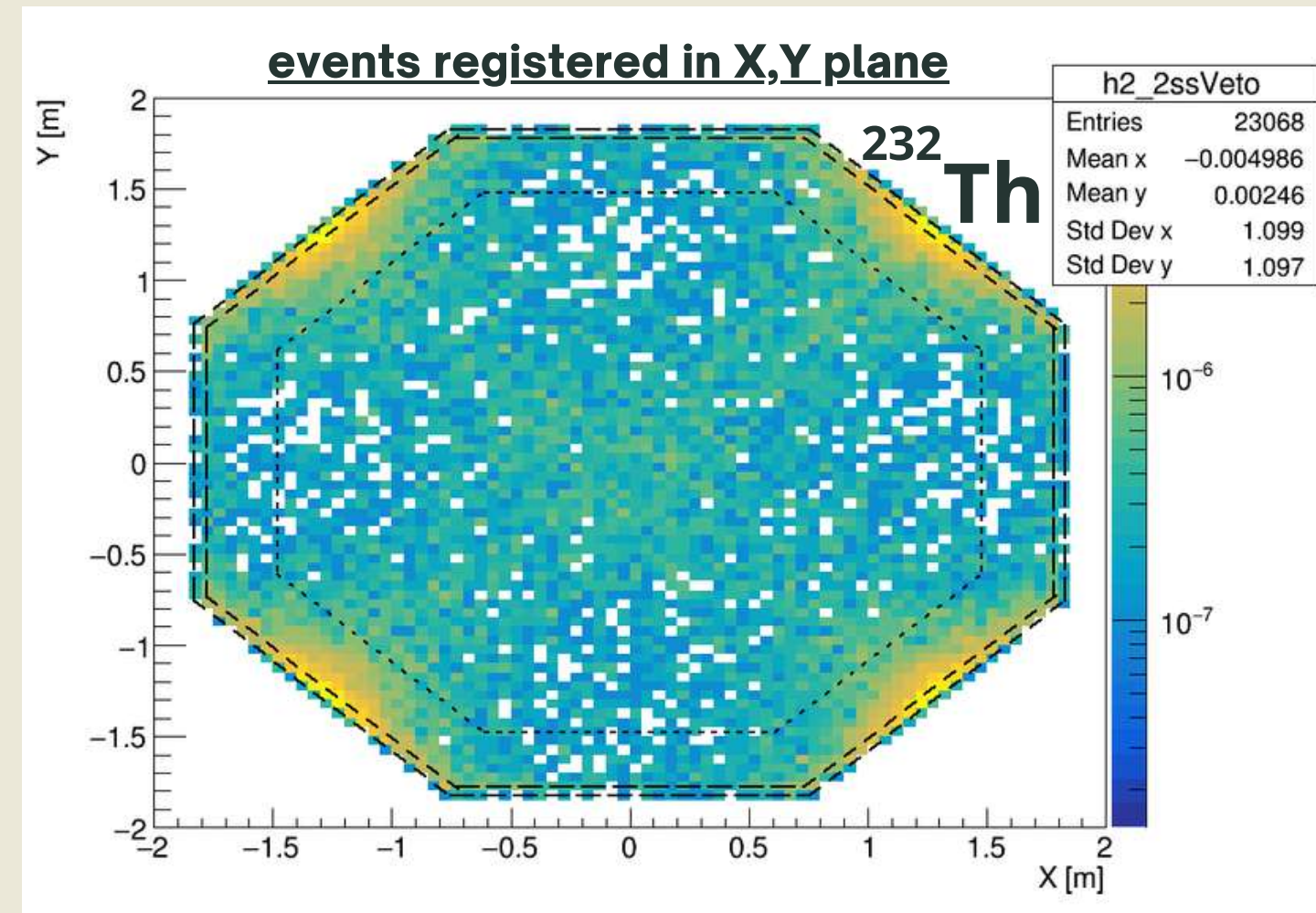
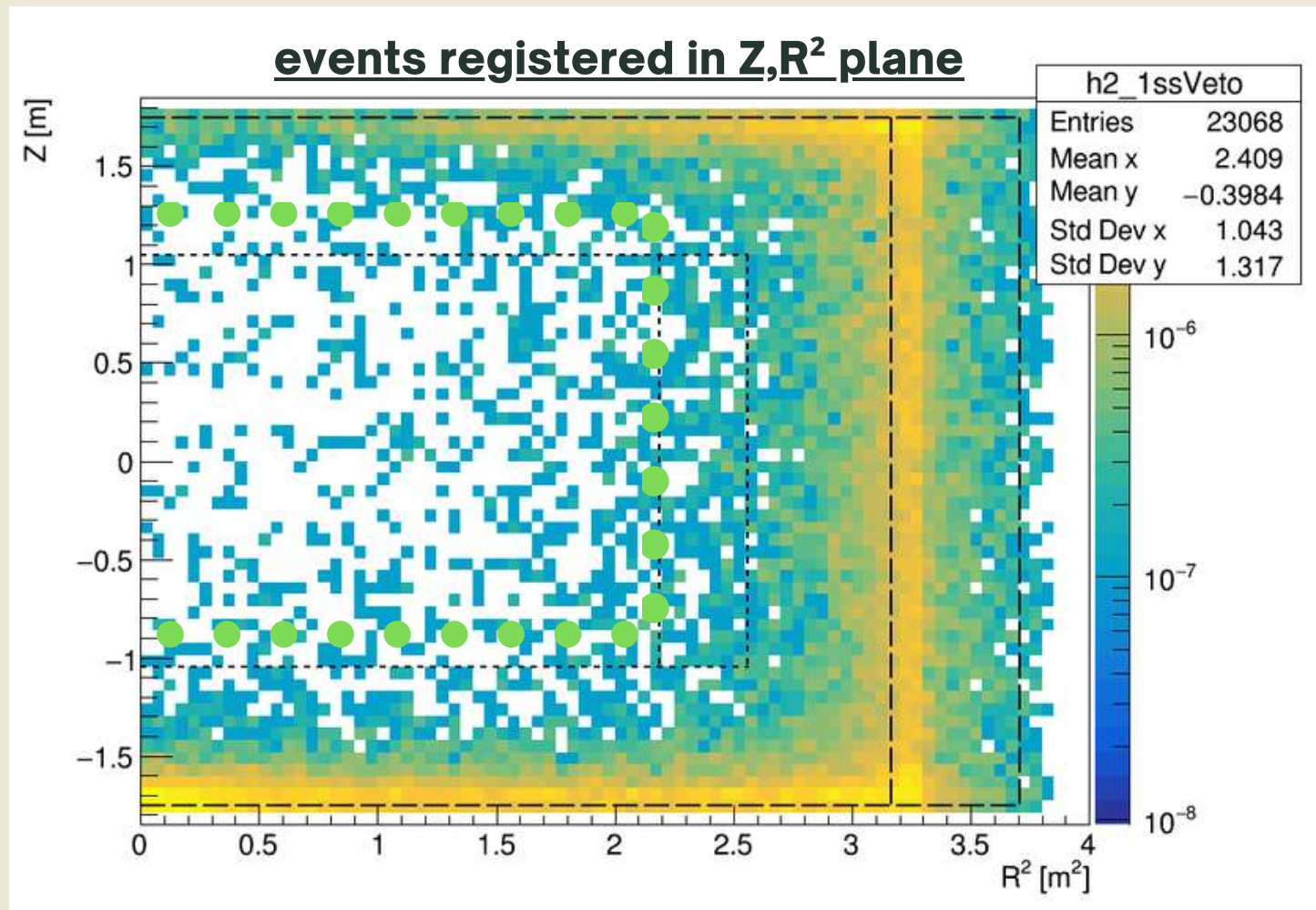
Outer veto





**SINGLE SCATTERS
 IN ROI
 INSIDE FV
 NOT TRACED IN VETO**

**113 SS ROI events in TPC
 with veto cut**

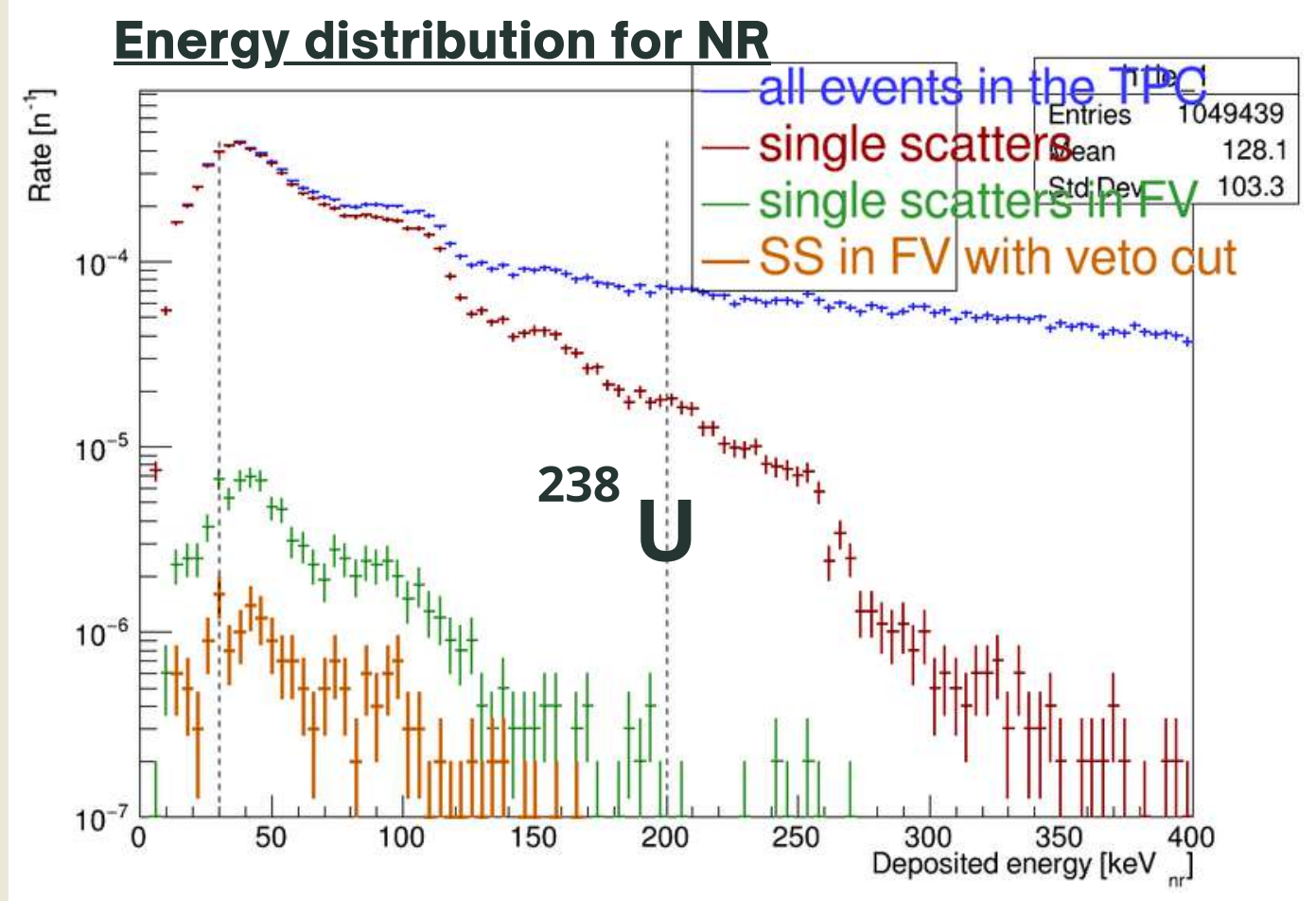


OTHER SOURCES



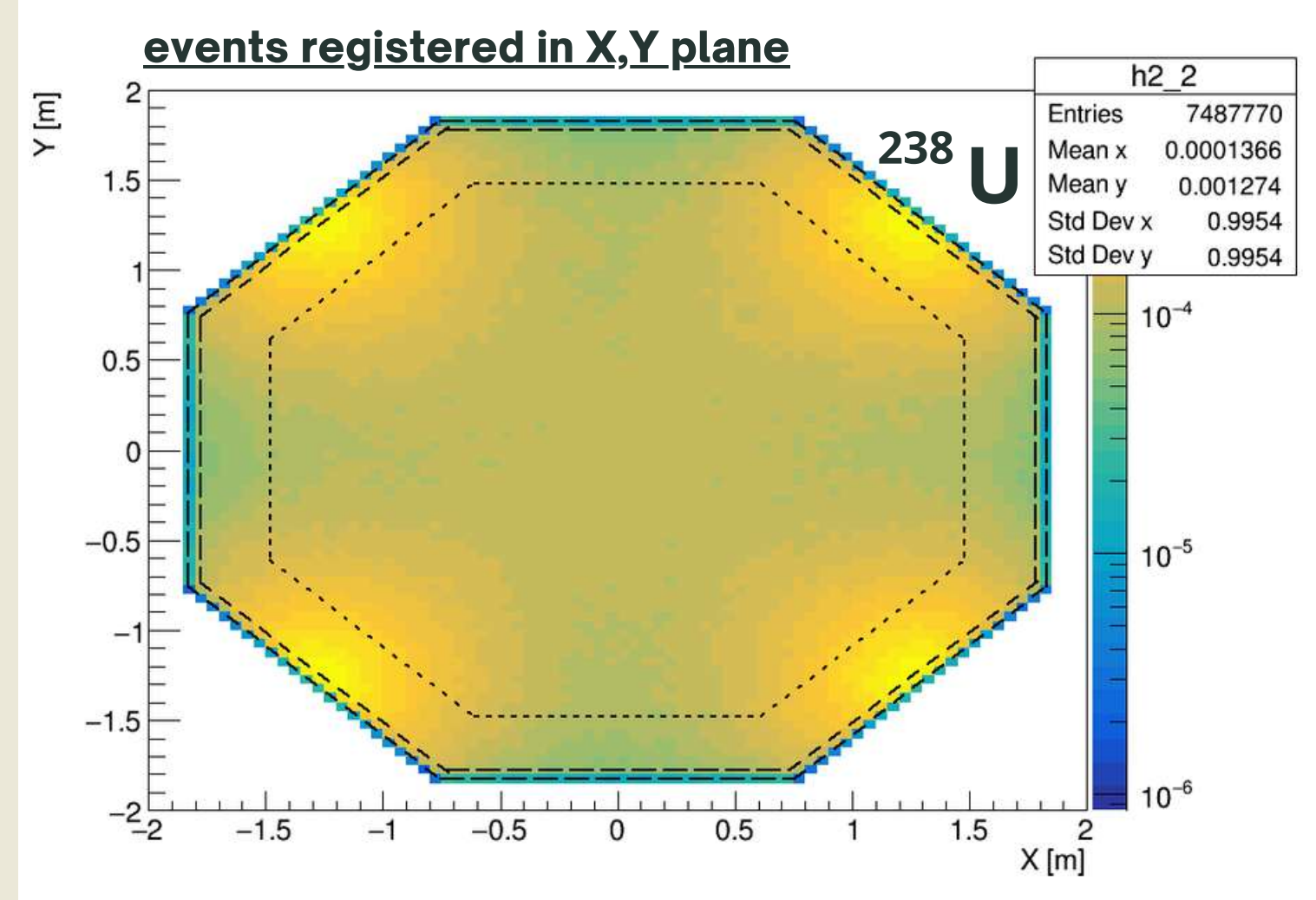
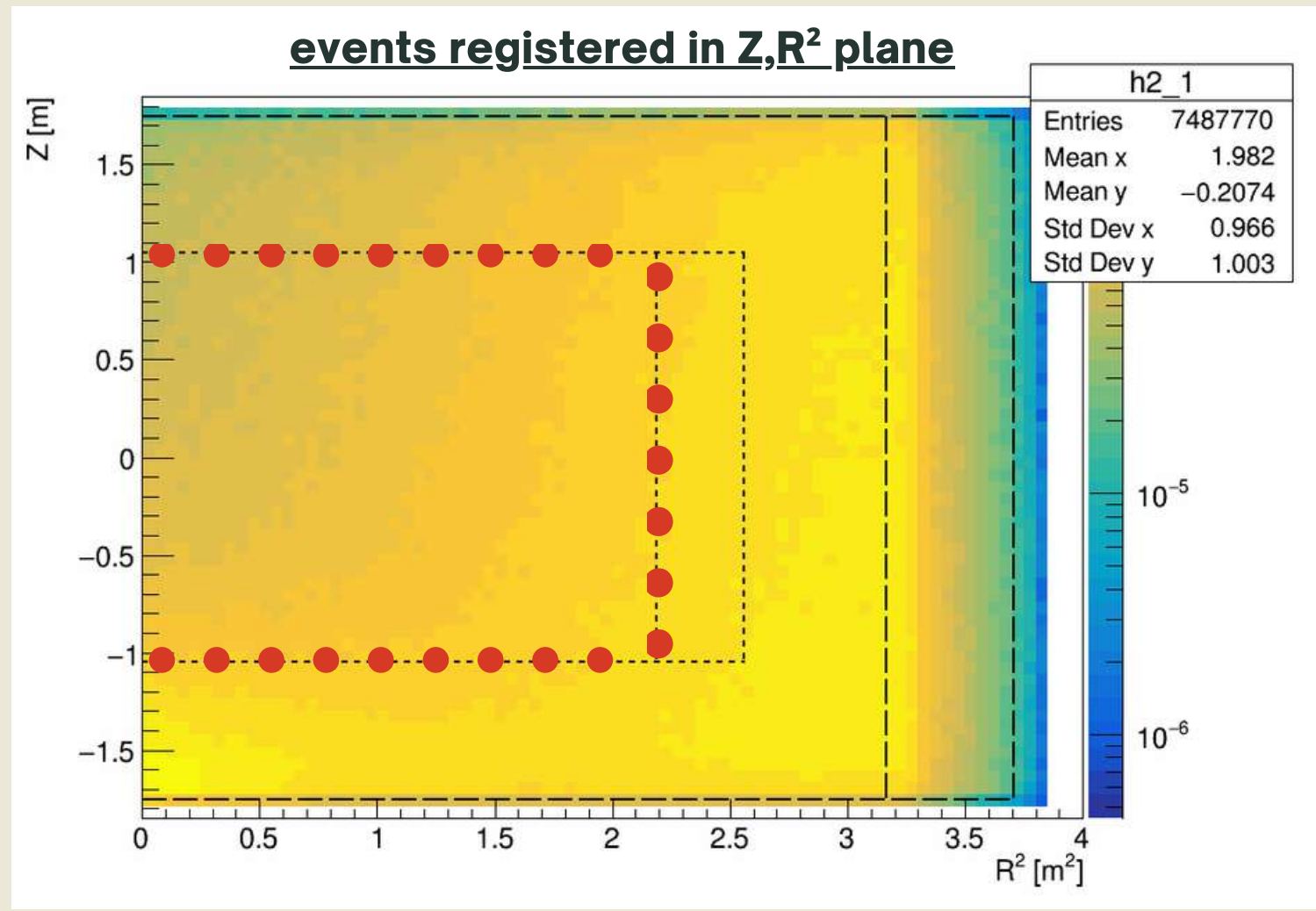


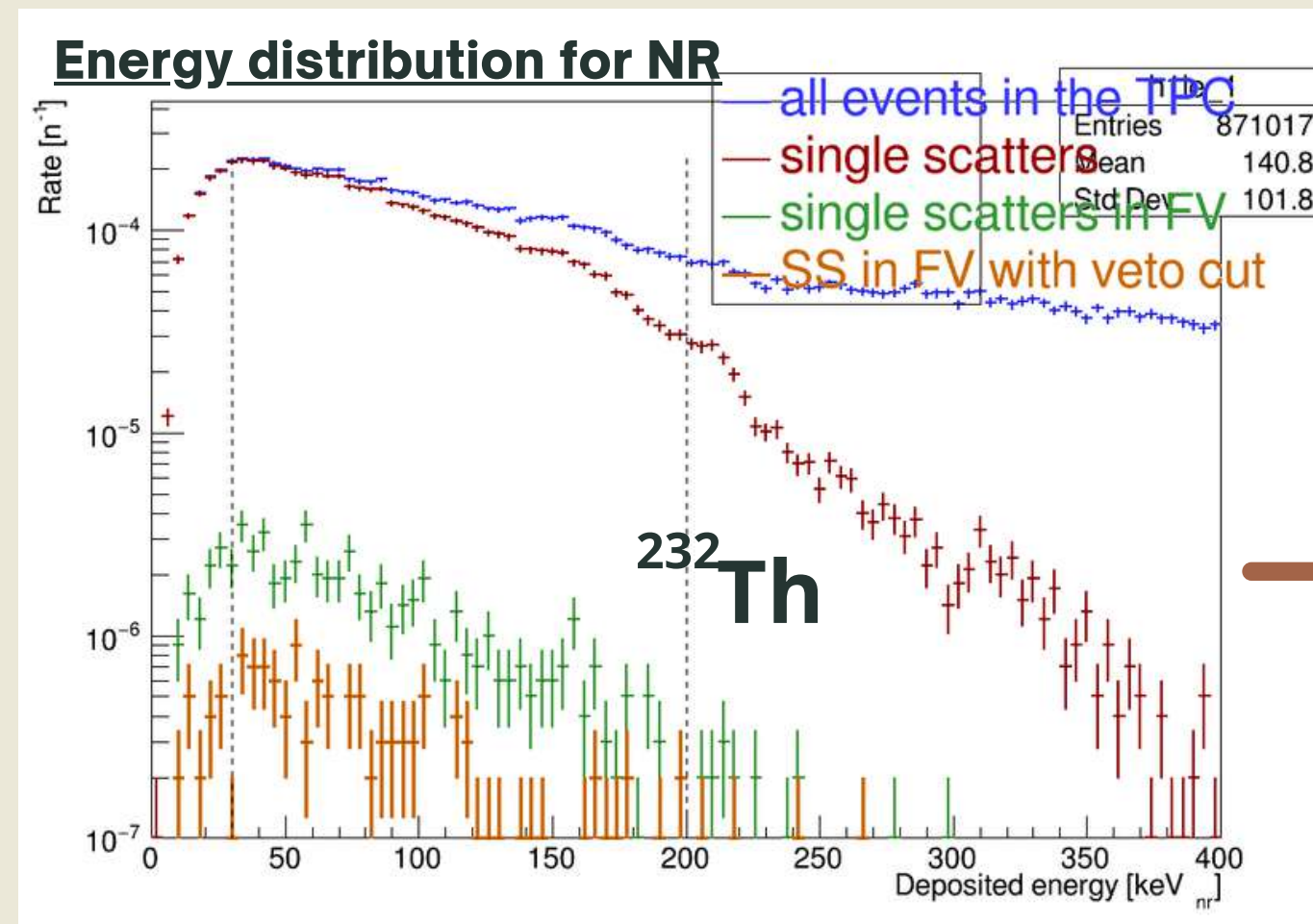
B - SIMULATION



79816 ROI events in TPC

ALL NR
at ROI ∈ [30,200 keVee]





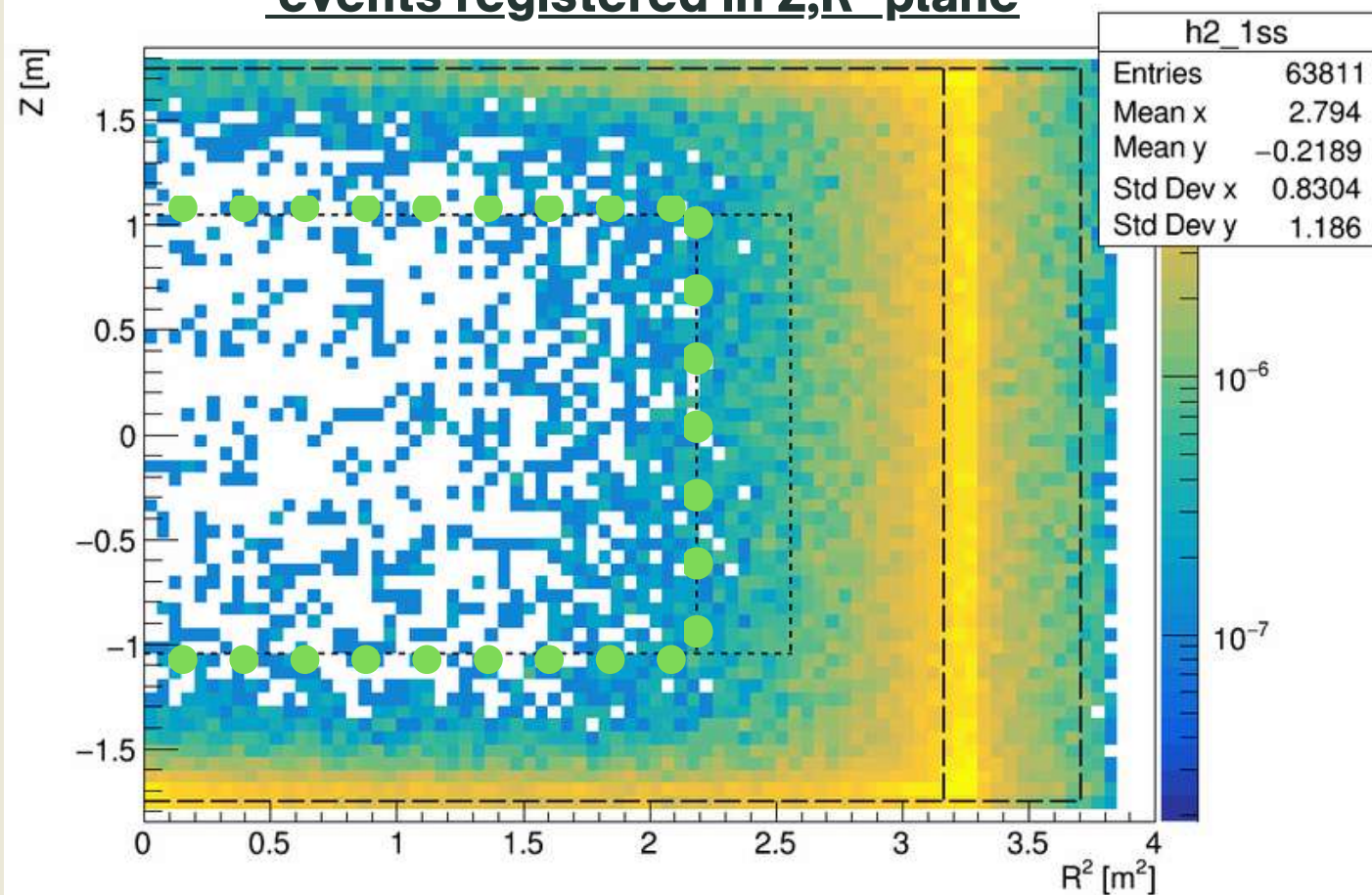
ONLY SINGLE SCATTERS (SS) IN ROI

64957 SS at ROI

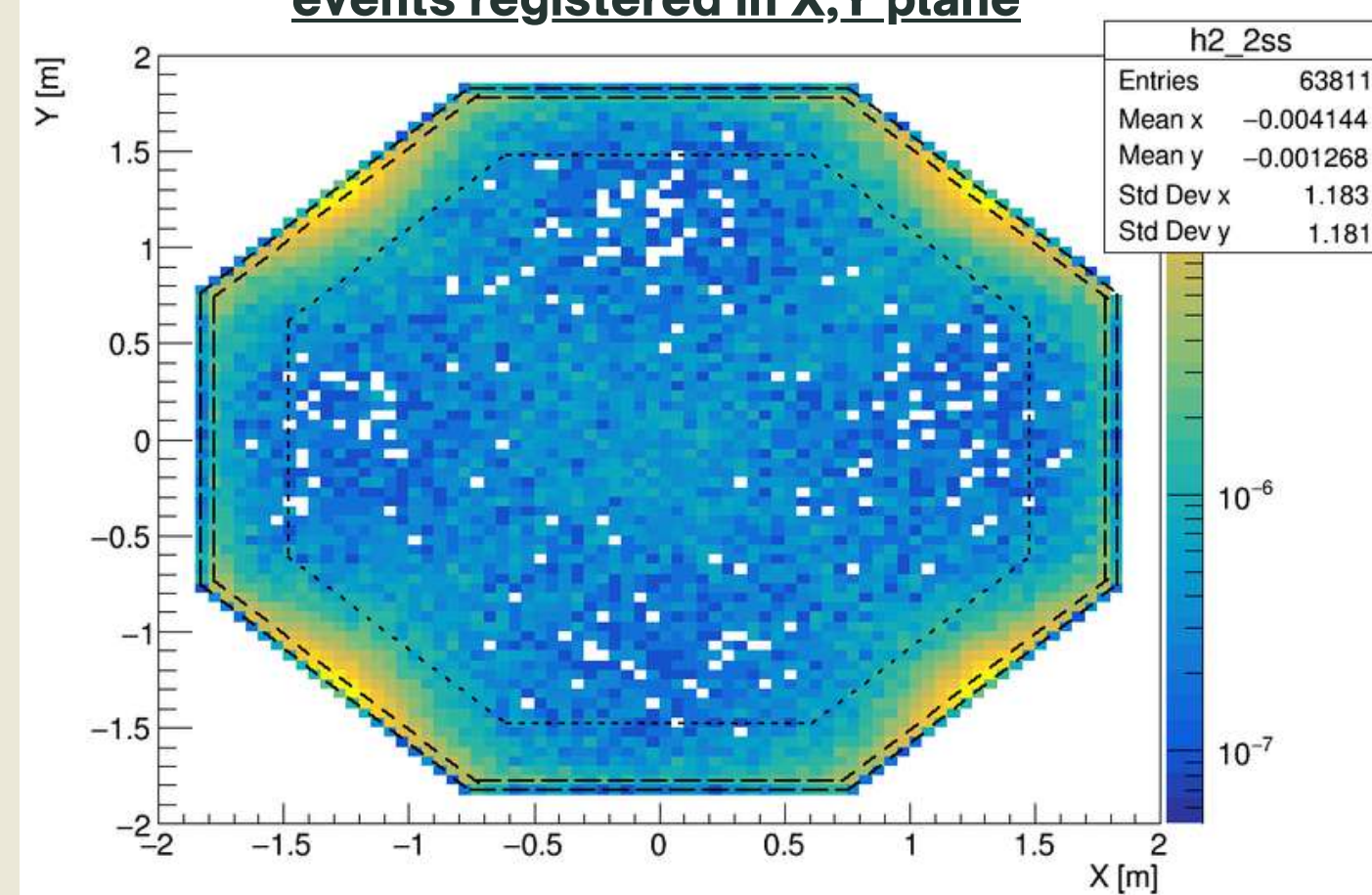
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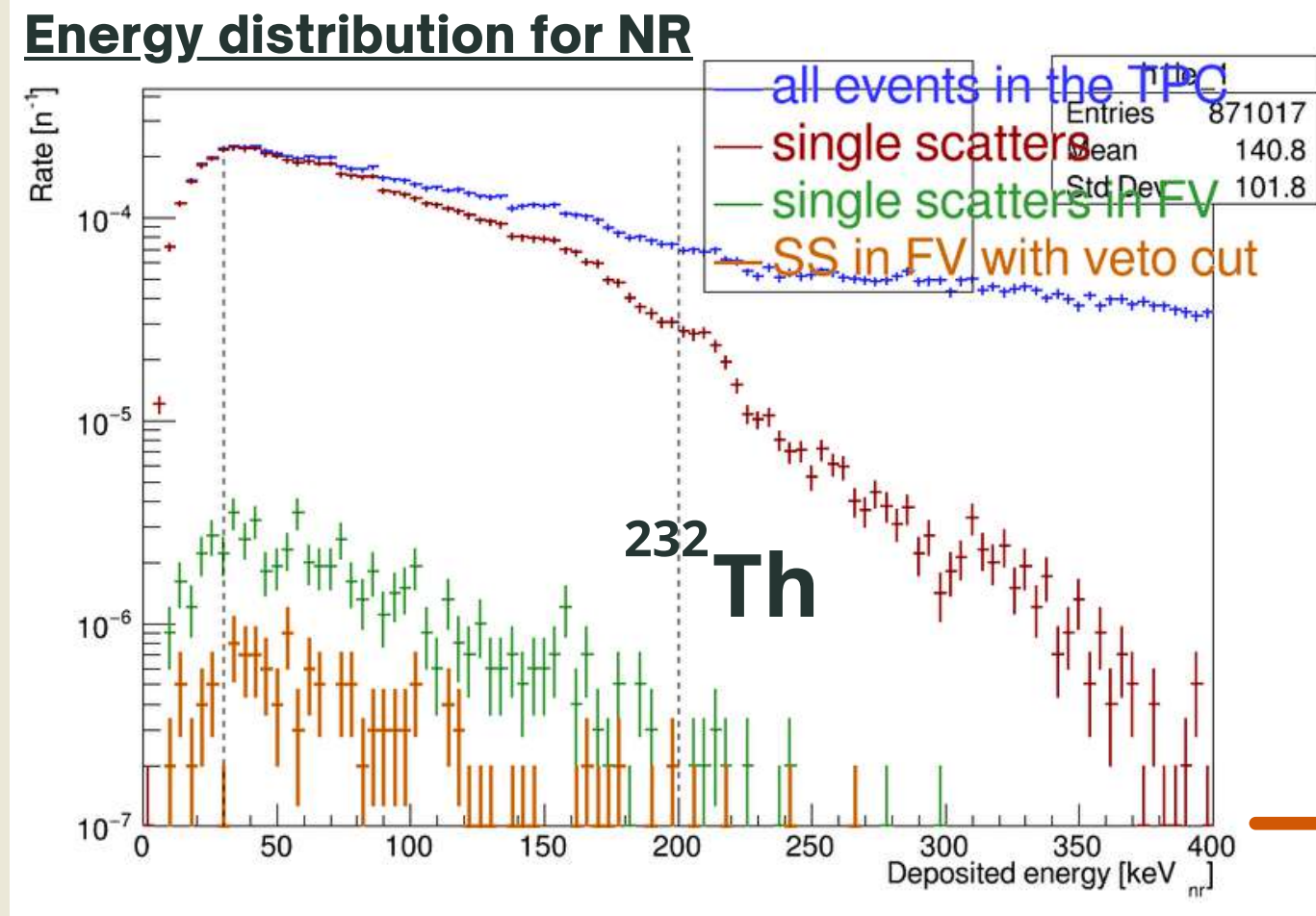
SINGLE SCATTERS IN ROI INSIDE FV

events registered in Z,R² plane



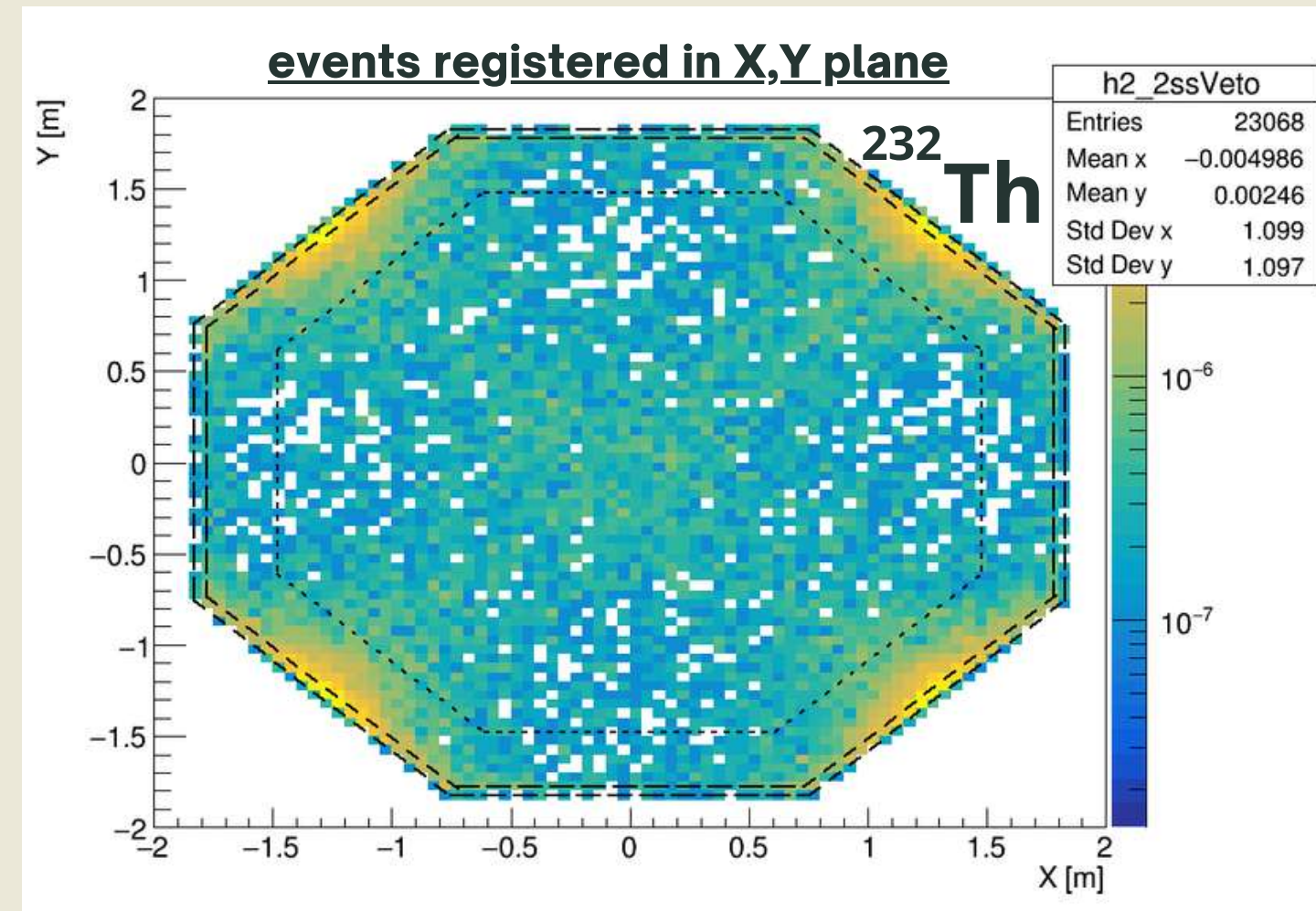
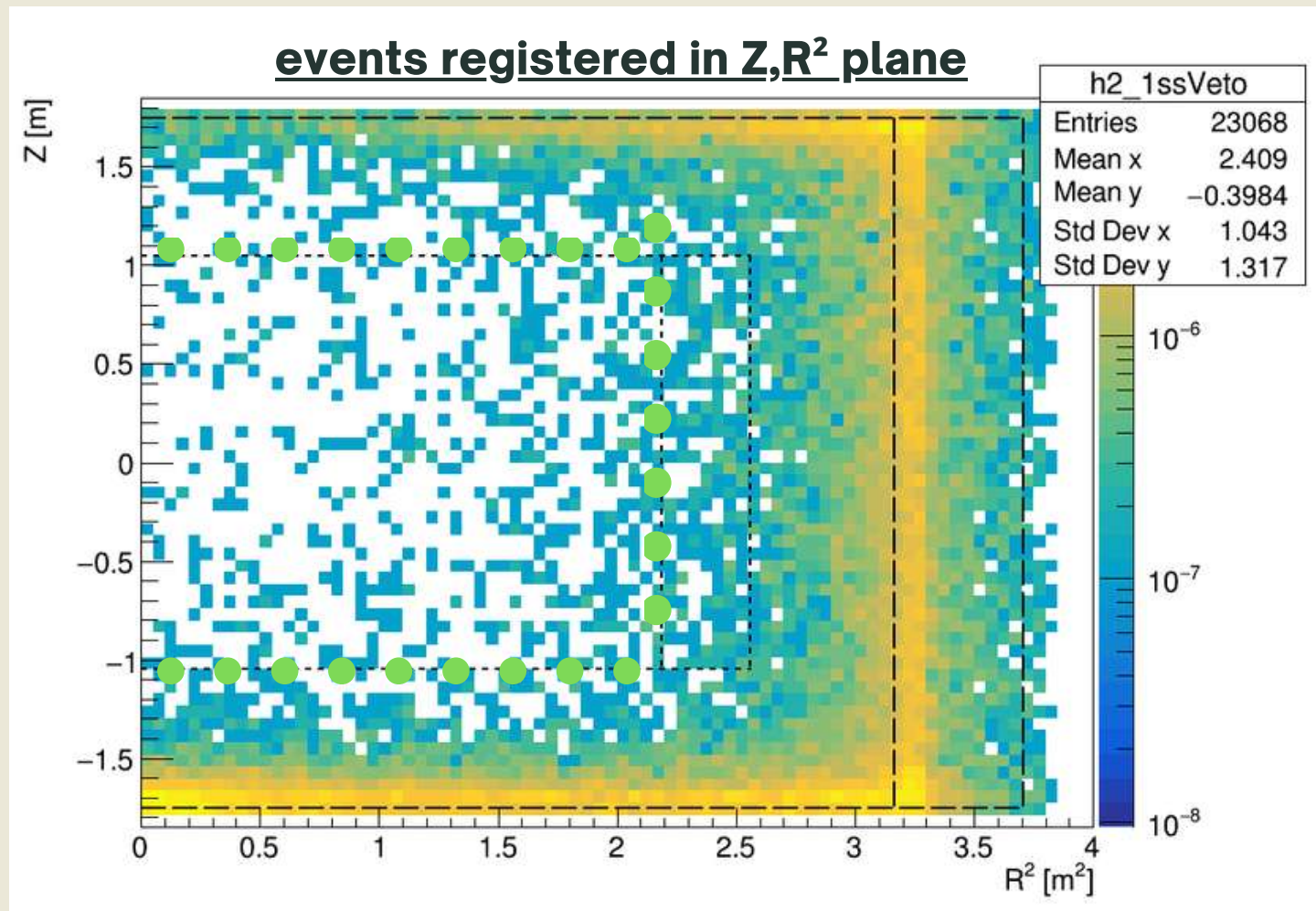
events registered in X,Y plane





**SINGLE SCATTERS
IN ROI
INSIDE FV
NOT TRACED IN VETO**

**164 SS ROI events
with veto cut in FV**





NR BACKGROUND RATES

Background event rates for 29kg of ArDM stainless steel, 1e7 events simulated

Element	Contamination (mBq/kg)	Decay/s	decay/20y	neutrons/20y	events sim FV	surviving neutrons/20y	Contrib for 0.21 events in 200 t y
^{238}U	50	1.45	9.16e+08	4.39e+02	<164.00	<0.00	3.43
^{232}Th	20	0.58	3.66e+08	6.59e+02	<133.00	<0.00	4.17

Background event rates for 29kg of stainless steel, 1e7 events simulated

Element	Contamination (mBq/kg)	Decay/s	decay/20y	neutrons/20y	events sim FV	surviving neutrons/20y	Contrib for 0.21 events in 200 t y
^{238}U	10	0.29	1.83e+08	8.79e+01	<164.00	<0.00	0.68
^{232}Th	10	0.29	1.83e+08	3.30e+02	<133.00	<0.00	2.08

Background event rates for 25kg of stainless steel, 1e7 events simulated. 89 events for each (ITS A TEST)

Element	Contamination (mBq/kg)	Decay/s	decay/20y	neutrons/20y	events sim FV	surviving neutrons/20y	Contrib for 0.21 events in 200 t y
^{238}U	10	0.25	1.58e+08	7.57e+01	<89.00	<0.00	0.32
^{232}Th	10	0.25	1.58e+08	2.84e+02	<89.00	<0.00	1.20



NR BACKGROUND RATES

Sample identifier	Budget I (0.21 events in 200ty)	
	^{232}Th	^{238}U
SS	0.9	0.2
SS ArDM	1.9	0.9