

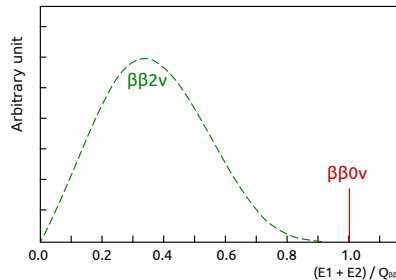
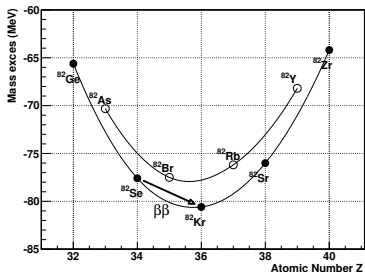
Double beta decays study with NEMO 3 and SuperNEMO

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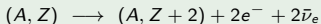
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Rencontres de Moriond, Electroweak session

Two-neutrinos and neutrinoless double beta decays

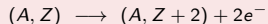


Two-neutrino double beta decay ($\beta\beta 2\nu$)



- second-order weak process
 $T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta 2\nu} \sim 10^{20}$ years
- allowed by Standard Model and observed
- input to nuclear physics model

Neutrinoless double beta decay ($\beta\beta 0\nu$)

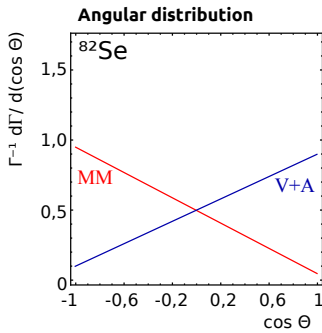
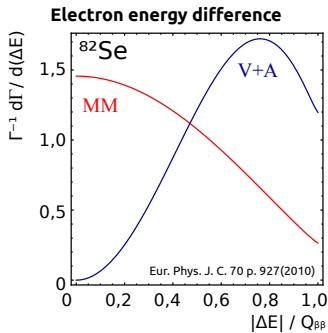


- violates lepton number conservation
- requires a Majorana neutrino ($\nu = \bar{\nu}$)
- new physics : $m_{\beta\beta}$, V+A, Majoron, SUSY...

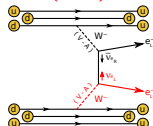
Detection of neutrinoless double beta decay

Available observables

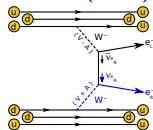
- Electron energy sum $E_1 + E_2$
 - Individual energy E_1, E_2
 - Angular distribution $\cos \theta$
- Discrimination $\beta\beta 2\nu$ vs. $\beta\beta 0\nu$
- } Study on possible $\beta\beta 0\nu$ mechanisms

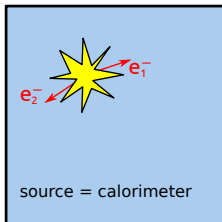


Mass Mechanism (MM)



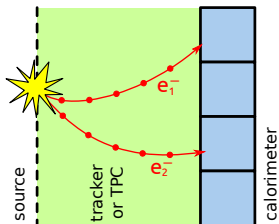
Right Handed Current (V+A)





pure calorimeter approach

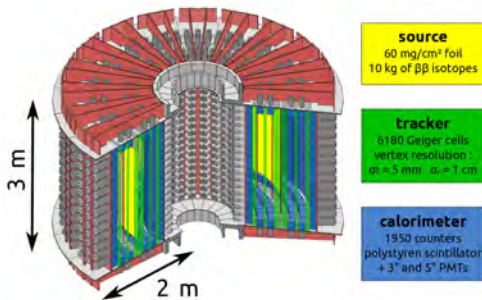
- ✓ excellent detection efficiency
- ✓ good energy resolution
- ✗ no identification of electrons
- ✗ high background



tracker + calorimeter approach

- ✗ low detection efficiency
- ✗ poor energy resolution
- ✓ electron recognition, $\beta\beta$ kinematic
- ✓ background measurement + rejection

The NEMO 3 detector (1)



Ultra low background detector

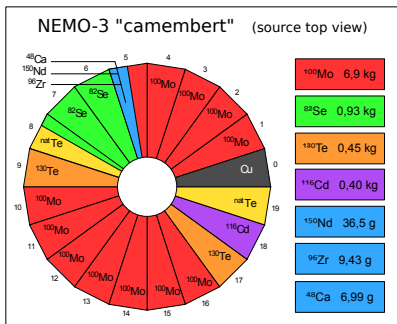
- γ shielding : pure Iron (18 cm)
- n shielding : borated water (30 cm) + wood (40 cm)
- radon trapping facility from october 2004
→ radon-free air buffer around detector
- location in Modane underground laboratory (LSM)
in Frejus tunnel : 4800 m.w.e.

A(NEMO 3) ~ 1000 Bq / 200 tons



zoom in a NEMO 3 sector

The NEMO 3 detector (2)



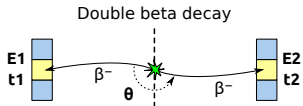
Unique features

- ✓ Multi-source detector : 7 $\beta\beta$ isotopes
- ✓ Particles identification : α , β^- , β^+ , γ
- ✓ Kinematics of $\beta\beta$ decay : E_1 , E_2 , $\cos \theta$, Δt

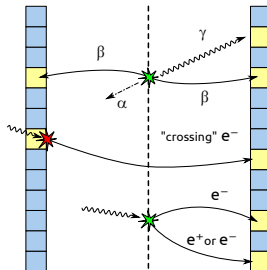
⇒ Topological signature of events

⇒ Background rejection + measurement

⇒ Study of $\beta\beta 0\nu$, $\beta\beta 2\nu$, $\beta\beta^*$, ...

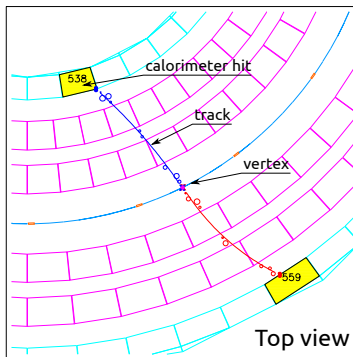


Measured + rejected background



- * internal $\Delta t \sim 0$ ns

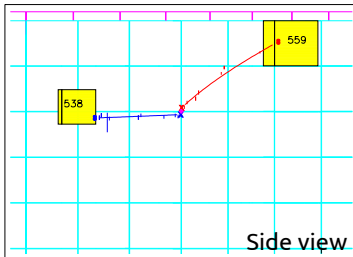
* external $\Delta t > 3$ ns



Event candidate for $\beta\beta 2\nu$ decay from ^{100}Mo foil

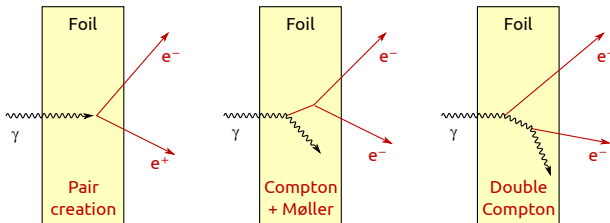
Run : 3478
Event : 6930
Date : 09/11/2004

$E1 + E2 = 1.097 \text{ MeV}$
internal hyp.: $|\Delta t_{\text{mean}} - \Delta t_{\text{calc}}| = 0.33 \text{ ns}$
external hyp.: $|\Delta t_{\text{mean}} - \Delta t_{\text{calc}}| = 5.21 \text{ ns}$
 $(\Delta \text{vertex})_x = 4.4 \text{ mm}$ $(\Delta \text{vertex})_z = 3 \text{ cm}$

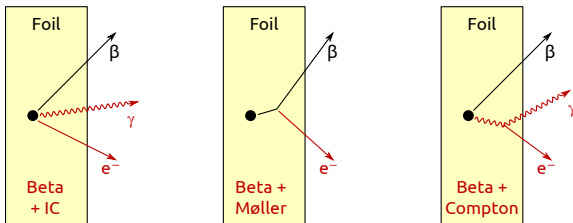


- Two tracks $Q < 0$
- Two calorimeter $E > 200 \text{ keV}$
- Association track – calorimeter hit
- Common vertex
- Internal hypothesis (external event rejection)
- No other calorimeter hit (γ rejection)
- No delayed track (^{214}Bi rejection)

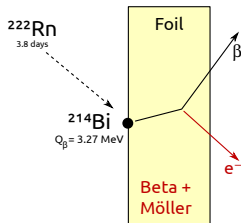
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from detector radioactivity, neutrons and cosmics
- Internal contamination in β emitter with $Q_\beta \geq Q_{\beta\beta}$ (≈ 3 MeV)
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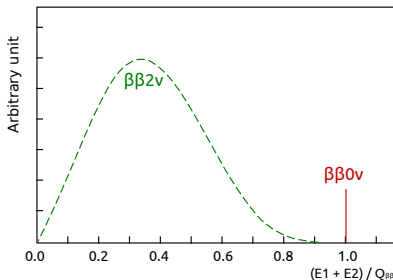
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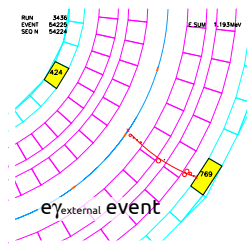
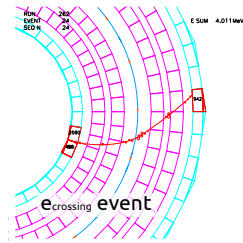


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Measurement of NEMO 3 background

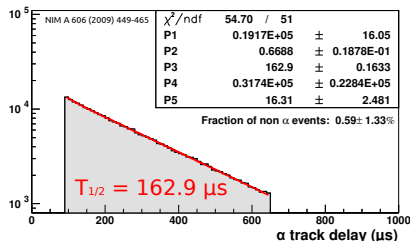
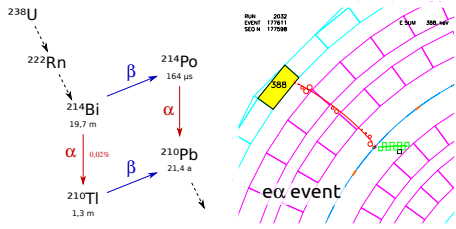
CHANNEL	BACKGROUND MEASUREMENT
$e\gamma_{\text{external}}$ e_{crossing}	external background : ^{40}K , ^{60}Co , ^{226}Ra , ...
e	pure β emitters in foil : ^{234m}Pa , ^{40}K , ^{90}Y , ...
$e\gamma$ $e\gamma\gamma$	$\beta+\gamma$ emitters in foil : ^{207}Bi , ^{208}Tl , ^{214}Bi , ...
$e\gamma\gamma\gamma$	
$e\alpha$	^{222}Rn in gas, ^{214}Bi on foil and wires



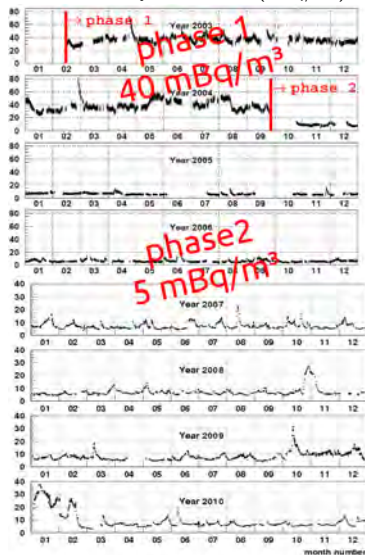
- ✓ Internal, external and radon background measurement
 - ✓ Analysis through independent channels
 - ✓ Model validation with a dedicated control foil (pure Cu)
- [NIM A606 (2009) 449-465]

Measurement of NEMO 3 background : example with radon

channel $e\alpha$: pure sample of "BiPo" events

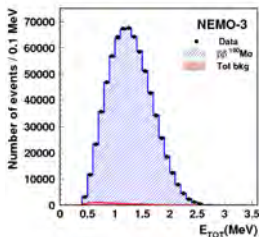


^{222}Rn activity in NEMO 3 (mBq/m^3)

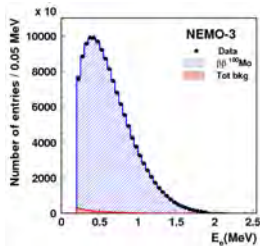


NEMO 3 results : $\beta\beta^{2\nu}$ with ^{100}Mo (phase 2 : 7 kg $\times$ 4 years)

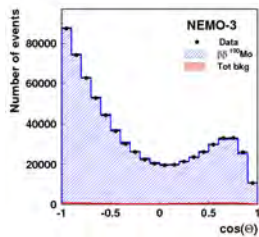
Energy sum of 2 electrons



Single electron energy

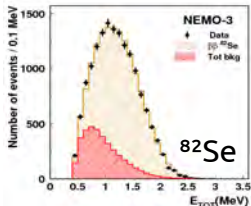


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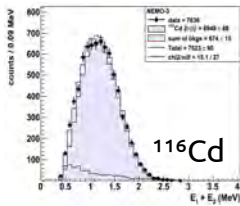


- > 700000 events from ^{100}Mo
- signal / background ratio = 76
- $T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta^{2\nu}} = 7.16 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.54 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{18} \text{ years}$ [preliminary]
phase 1 : $7.11 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.54 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{18} \text{ years}$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 95 182302 (2005)]
- ultimate background component for $\beta\beta^{2\nu}$ signal

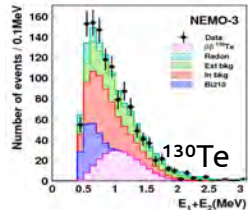
NEMO 3 results : $\beta\beta 2\nu$ summary



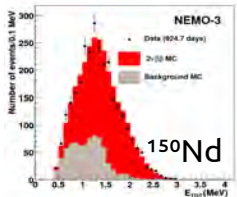
$9.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{19} \text{ y}$
[preliminary result]



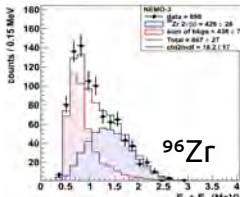
$2.88 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{19} \text{ y}$
[preliminary result]



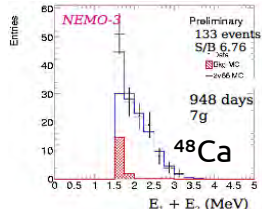
$7.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 1.1 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{20} \text{ y}$
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 062504 (2011)]



$9.11 \pm 0.25 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.63 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{18} \text{ y}$
[Phys. Rev. C 80, 032501 (2009)]



$2.35 \pm 0.14 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{19} \text{ y}$
[Nucl. Phys. A 847 (2010)]

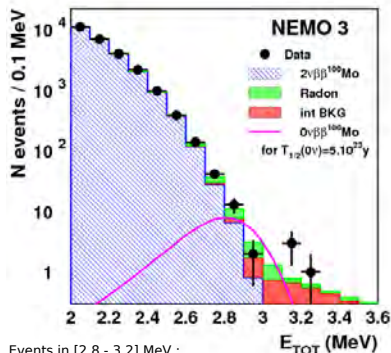


$4.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.4 \text{ (sys)} \times 10^{19} \text{ y}$
[preliminary result]

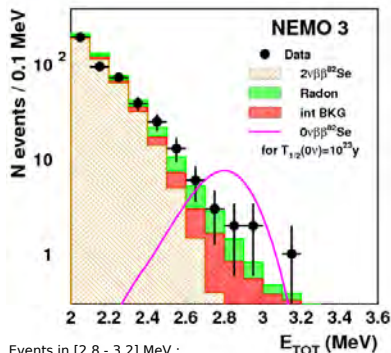
World best catalogue of $\beta\beta 2\nu$ half-lives

first direct detection for ^{130}Te

^{100}Mo : 7.0 kg x 4.5 years



^{82}Se : 0.9 kg x 4.5 years



$$T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta 0\nu} > 1.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ years (90 \% CL)}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} < 310 - 960 \text{ meV}$$

$$T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta 0\nu} > 3.2 \times 10^{23} \text{ years (90 \% CL)}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} < 940 - 2600 \text{ meV}$$

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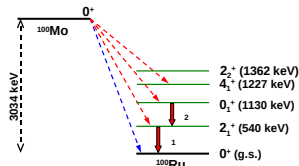
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$\beta\beta^*$ of ^{100}Mo

[Nucl. Phys. A781 (2006) 209]

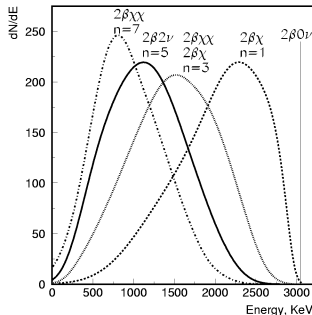
$\beta\beta 2\nu \ 0^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+$	$T_{1/2} = 5.7_{-0.9}^{+1.3} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (syst)} \times 10^{20} \text{ y}$
$\beta\beta 0\nu \ 0^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+$	$T_{1/2} > 8.9 \times 10^{22} \text{ y (90 \% C.L.)}$
$\beta\beta 2\nu \ 0^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$	$T_{1/2} > 1.1 \times 10^{21} \text{ y (90 \% C.L.)}$
$\beta\beta 0\nu \ 0^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$	$T_{1/2} > 1.6 \times 10^{23} \text{ y (90 \% C.L.)}$



$\beta\beta 0\nu\text{B}$ (Majoron)

[Nucl. Phys. A765 (2006) 483]

mode	^{100}Mo	^{82}Se
$n = 1$	$T_{1/2} > 2.7 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$	$T_{1/2} > 1.5 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$
$n = 2$	$T_{1/2} > 1.7 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$	$T_{1/2} > 6.0 \times 10^{21} \text{ y}$
$n = 3$	$T_{1/2} > 1.0 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$	$T_{1/2} > 3.1 \times 10^{21} \text{ y}$
$n = 7$	$T_{1/2} > 7.0 \times 10^{19} \text{ y}$	$T_{1/2} > 5.0 \times 10^{20} \text{ y}$



$\beta\beta 0\nu \text{ V+A}$

^{100}Mo :	$T_{1/2} > 5.7 \times 19^{23} \text{ years}$	$\lambda < 1.4 \times 10^{-6}$
^{82}Se :	$T_{1/2} > 2.4 \times 19^{23} \text{ years}$	$\lambda < 2.0 \times 10^{-6}$



– january 2011 –



– october 2011 –

NEMO 3 experiment

- 8 years of successful data taking
- fully disassembled during 2011
- final analysis in progress

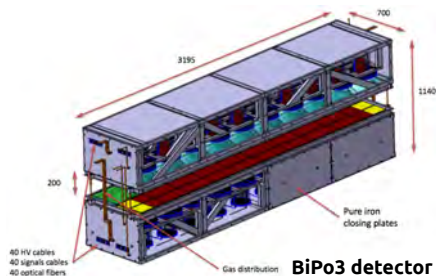
Target sensitivity : $T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta 0\nu} > 1 \times 10^{26}$ years $\iff m_{\beta\beta} < 50 - 100$ meV

	NEMO 3	SuperNEMO
Isotope	^{100}Mo	^{82}Se (or ^{150}Nd , or ^{48}Ca)
Exposure	7 kg x 5 years	100 kg x 5 years
Efficiency	18 %	30 %
Energy resolution (FWHM)	8 % @ 3 MeV	4 % @ 3 MeV
$A(^{208}\text{Tl})$ foil	$\sim 100 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$	$\leq 2 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$
$A(^{214}\text{Bi})$ foil	$< 300 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$	$\leq 10 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$
$A(^{222}\text{Rn})$ gas	5 mBq/m ³	$\leq 0,15 \text{ mBq/m}^3$

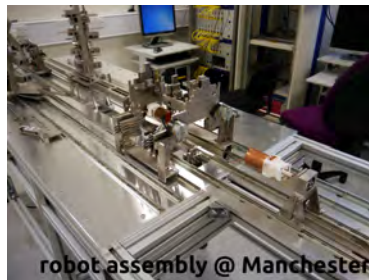
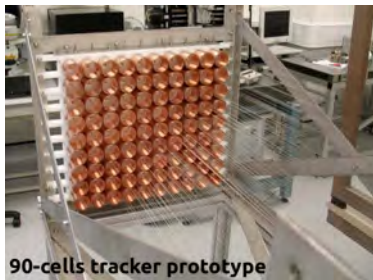


A SuperNEMO module (x 20)

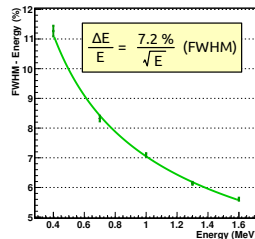
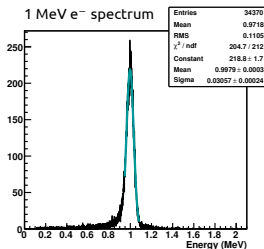
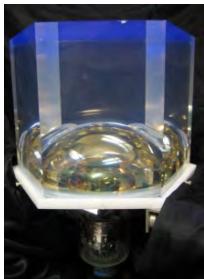
- 5 kg of $\beta\beta$ source
- drift chamber of 2000 Geiger cells
- 550 PVT scintillators + 8" PMTs



- **Source : 5 kg already ready**
 ^{214}Bi and ^{208}Tl radiopurity control by a dedicated detector (BiPo3)
- Tracker : required performances demonstrated with a 90-cells prototype automated wiring robot under construction (mass production + ultra clean condition)
- Calorimeter : 7.2 % FWHM @ 1 MeV reached (NEMO 3 : 14 % @ 1 MeV)
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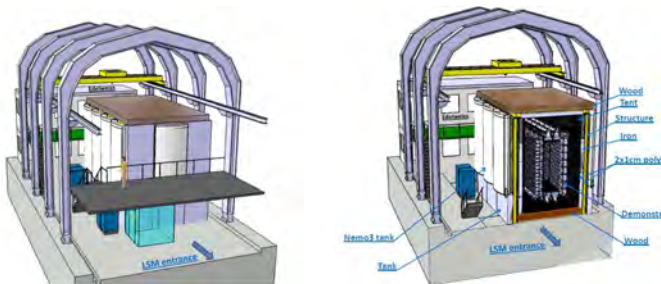
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SuperNEMO demonstrator (first module)

- a ZERO background experiment (< 0.06 events/years)
- physics with 2.5 years $\times$ 7 kg of ^{82}Se
 - $T_{1/2}^{\beta\beta 0\nu}$ sensitivity of 2.6×10^{24} years
 - test Klapdor-Kleingrothaus claim
- construction has started (tracker)
- installation for 2014 in LSM at NEMO 3 place



Demonstrator integration at LSM

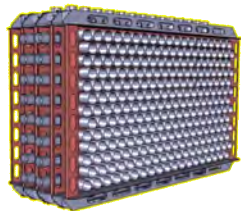


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- a reference for $\beta\beta$ decays study :
 $\beta\beta 2\nu$, $\beta\beta 0\nu$, $\beta\beta^*$, $\beta\beta 0\nu B$, ...
- analysis of full dataset on progress
→ final results by end 2012

SuperNEMO

- successful R&D
- unique detector approach :
event topology, isotope flexibility, modularity, ...
- first module will start taking data in 2014
- sensitivity of 50 – 100 meV on $m_{\beta\beta}$ by 2020
- possibility to probe $\beta\beta 0\nu$ mechanism



Thank you for your attention !



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