



Проект GERDA (LEGEND): поиск безнейтринного двойного бета распада ^{76}Ge

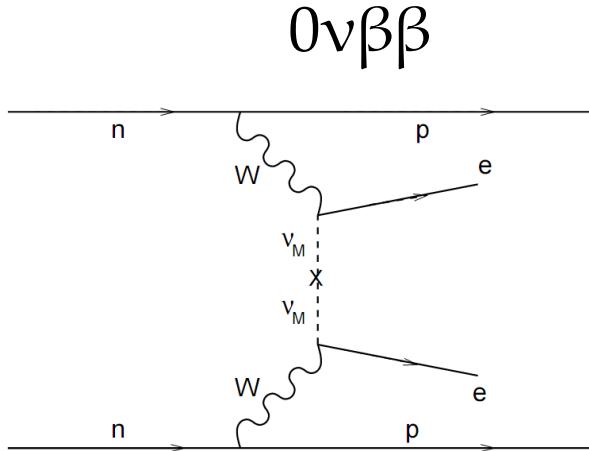


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Search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

Why and how?



- violates lepton number? YES!
- forbidden in SM? YES!

New Physics!



- ν has **Majorana** mass component
- IF light neutrino exchange

Access to ν mass scale



Experimental sensitivity:

- Zero background:

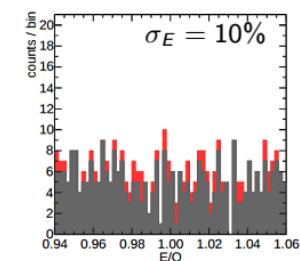
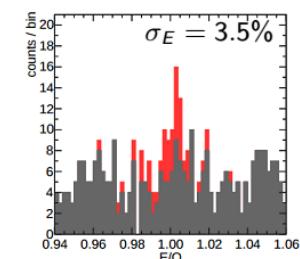
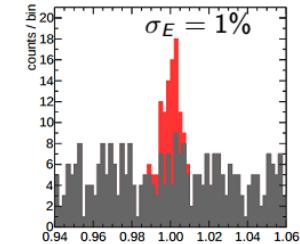
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto M t$$

- Non-zero background:

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \sqrt{\frac{M t}{\Delta E \cdot BI}}$$

Isotope	$G^{0\nu}$ (10^{-14} yr)	Q (keV)	Nat. ab. (%)
^{48}Ca	6.3	4273.7	0.187
^{76}Ge	0.63	2039.1	7.8
^{82}Se	2.7	2995.5	9.2
^{100}Mo	4.4	3035.0	9.6
^{130}Te	4.1	2530.3	34.5
^{136}Xe	4.3	2461.9	8.9
^{150}Nd	19.2	3367.3	5.6

enrichment required except for ^{130}Te ,
not (yet) possible for all, costs differ



- ✓ Target mass and detector efficiency as high as possible
- ✓ “Zero-background” to have linear increase of sensitivity vs exposure
 - ! Resolution remains essential

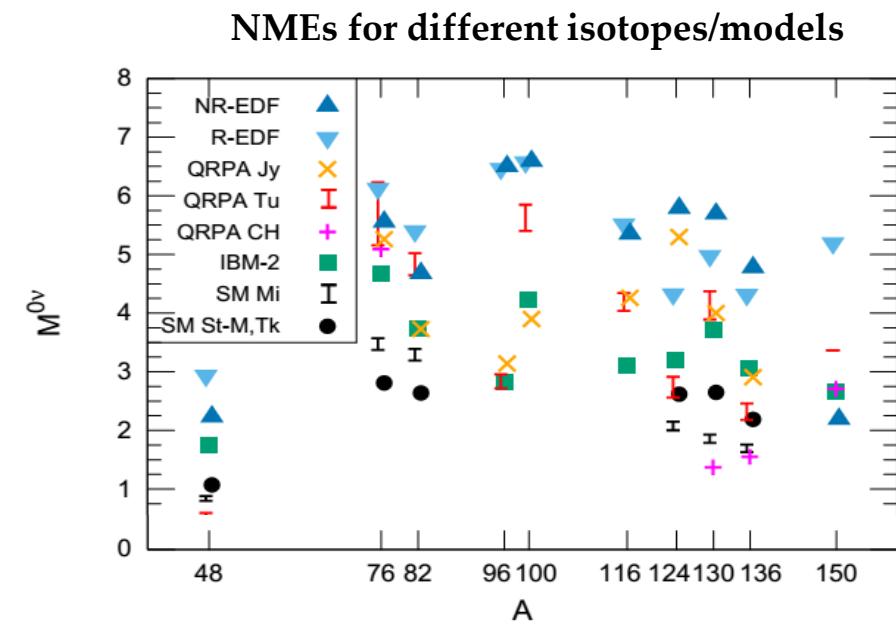
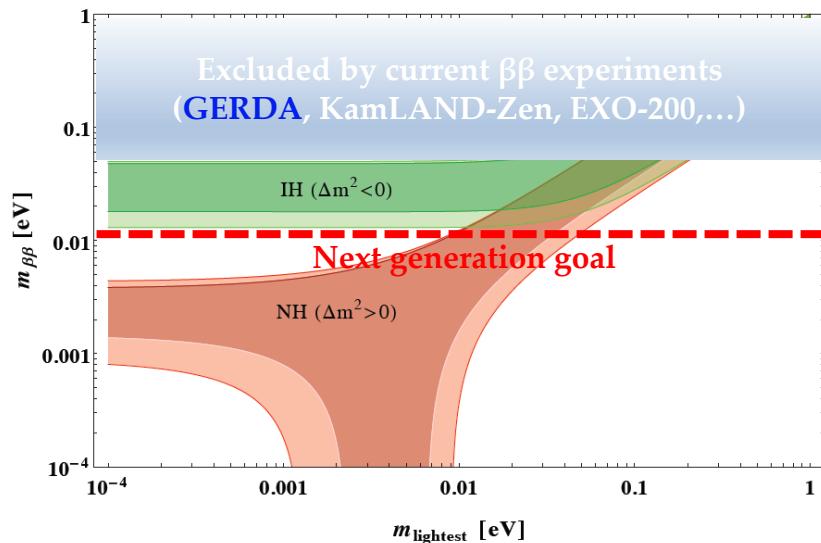
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What about mass?

Effective Majorana neutrino mass contributes in the decay rate:

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}^{0\nu}} = G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2$$

Phase space factor \downarrow \rightarrow Effective Majorana
 neutrino mass
 \uparrow \downarrow 0 $\nu\beta\beta$ decay
 rate Matrix element (NME)
 $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \left| \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|$



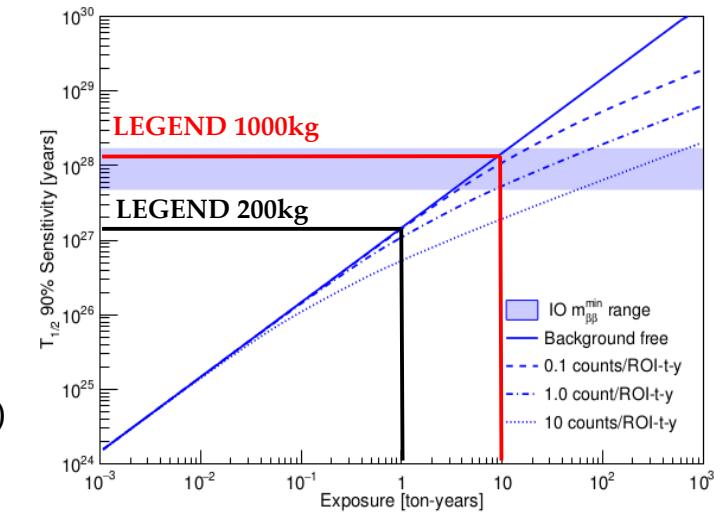
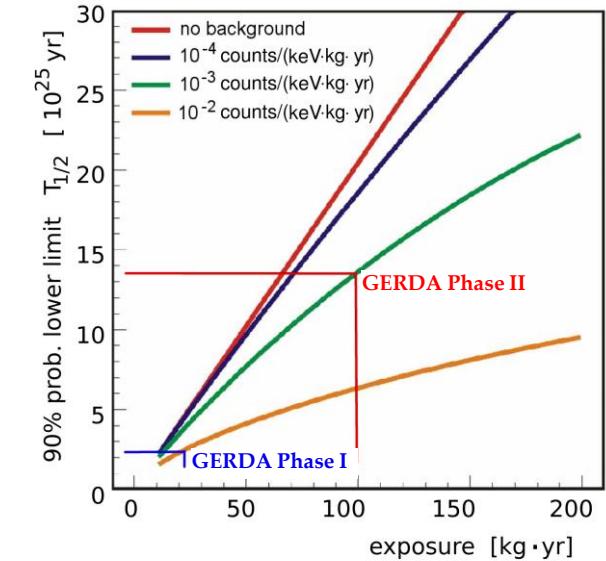
! No preferred isotope from Nuclear Physics (G^*M)

GERDA/LEGEND phased approach

HPGe detectors enriched in ^{76}Ge



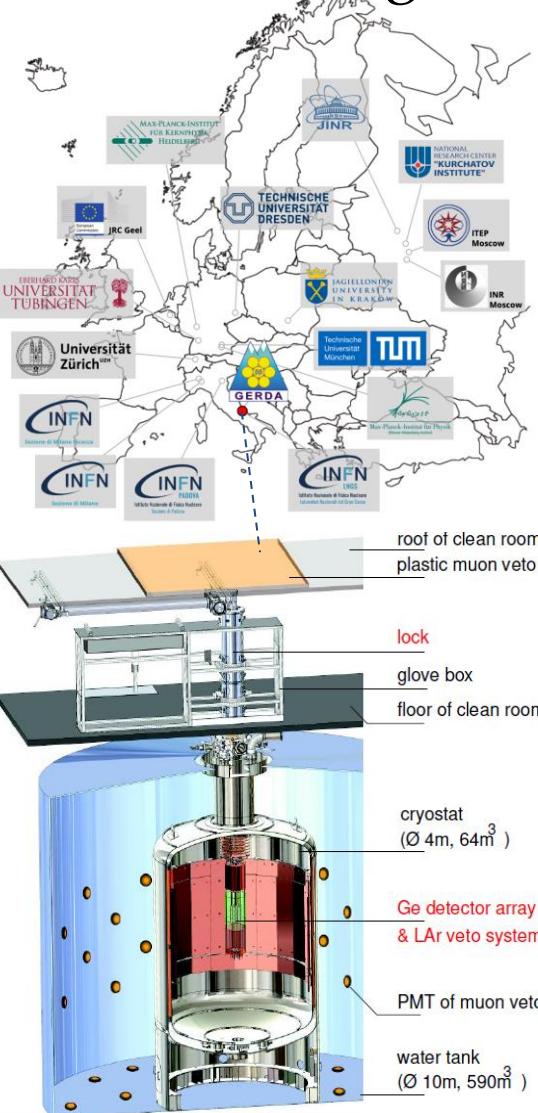
- ✓ very good energy resolution
 $\sim 0.1\%$ at $Q_{\beta\beta}$
- ✓ high detection efficiency
source = detector
- ✓ “background-free” regime of data taking
 - ✓ deep underground location
(LNGS, Italy, 3500 m.w.e)
 - ✓ careful assay of materials
 - ✓ passive and active shields
 - ✓ **bare Ge** detectors in liquid argon
first time ever!
 - ✓ pulse shape discrimination
active LAr veto (from GERDA Phase II)





GERDA results

First background free $0\nu\beta\beta$ search



- ✓ GERDA successfully finished data taking in Dec 2019
- ✓ Full data set analyzed in 2020

✓ **103.7 kg yr** of ^{76}Ge exposure collected in **Phase II** (127.2 kg yr with Phase I)

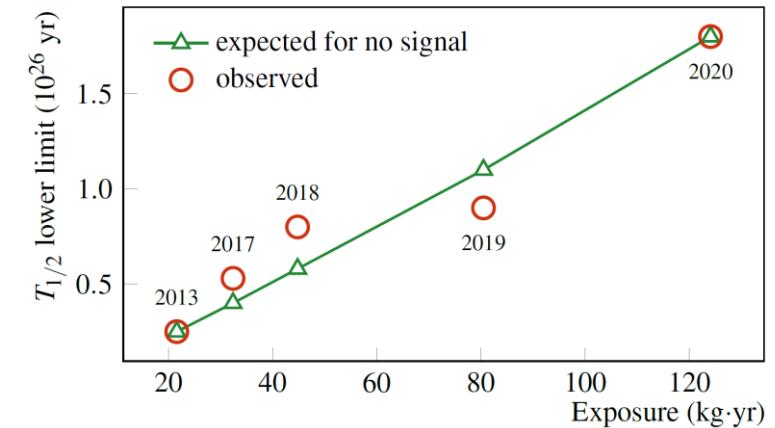
✓ All design goals are **surpassed!**

GERDA Phase II	goals	achievements
background	$\sim 10^{-3} \text{ cts/(keV kg yr)}$	$5.2_{-1.3}^{+1.6} \times 10^{-4} \text{ cts/(keV kg yr)}$
exposure	$\geq 100 \text{ kg yr}$	103.7 kg yr
sensitivity	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \geq 10^{26} \text{ yr}$	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.8 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr}$

✓ GERDA achieved world best half-life limit!

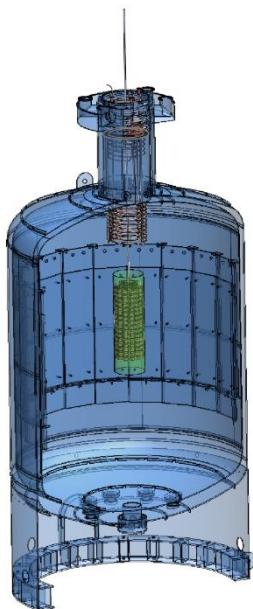
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.8 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr} \text{ (90% CL)}$$

- ✓ Linear increase of sensitivity vs exposure is proven!
- ✓ Bright future for the next step:



LEGEND

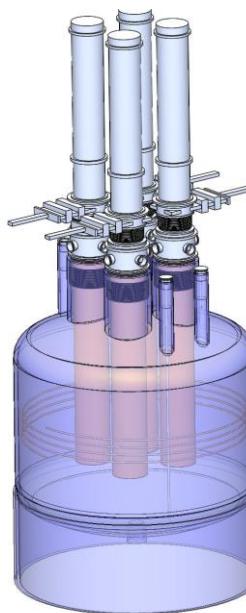
Large Enriched Germanium Experiment for Neutrinoless $\beta\beta$ Decay



First stage (LEGEND-200):

- ✓ Existing **GERDA** infrastructure large enough for 200 kg of enriched detectors
- ✓ 14 strings arranged on maximum diameter of 550 mm
- ✓ Number of readout channels will increase substantially
 - ✓ raise clean room roof
 - ✓ new lock
 - ✓ new cabling
 - ✓ new detector suspension
- ✓ Detectors
 - ✓ BEGe's from GERDA
 - ✓ PPC's from Majorana (successfully tested in LAr)
 - ✓ new ICPC detectors (baseline 1.5 kg each)

Background goal: $\sim 0.6 \text{ cts}/(\text{FWHM t yr})$



LEGEND mission:

"The collaboration aims to develop a phased, ^{76}Ge based double-beta decay experimental program with **discovery potential** at a half-life significantly close to 10^{28} years, using existing resources as appropriate to expedite physics results."

Subsequent stages (LEGEND-1000):

- ✓ 1000 kg (staged)
- ✓ **Combine best ideas** from MAJORANA, GERDA, others
- ✓ **Baseline design: Ge detectors in LAr**
 - LAr detector volume separated by thin Cu from main cryostat volume
 - use depleted LAr in inner detector volumes
 - Investigating alternatives
- ✓ **Profit from** experience with LEGEND-200

Background goal $< 0.1 \text{ cnt}/(\text{FWHM t yr})$

LEGEND:

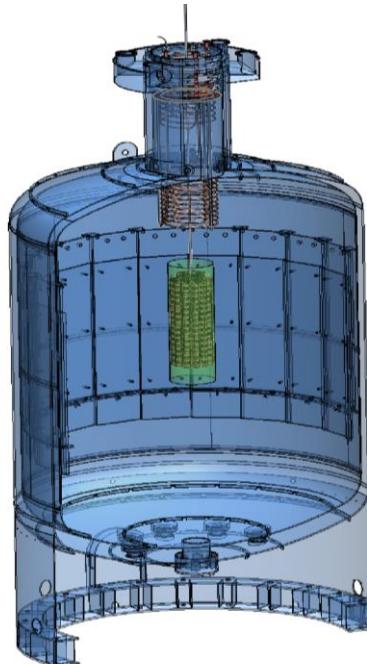
the best from GERDA and MAJORANA



GERDA

- ✓ LAr veto
- ✓ Low-A shield, no Pb

**GERDA achieved the lowest background index:
 5×10^{-4} cts/(keV kg yr)**
LEGEND-200 needs only $\sim 3x$ better



Both

- ✓ Clean fabrication techniques
- ✓ Control of surface exposure
- ✓ Development of large point-contact detectors
- ✓ Best BI and FWHM in $0\nu\beta\beta$ field



MAJORANA

- ✓ Radiopurity of nearby parts (FETs, cables, Cu)
- ✓ Low noise FE improves PSD
- ✓ Low energy threshold

**MAJORANA achieved best energy resolution:
 2.5 keV FWHM at Q_{bb}**

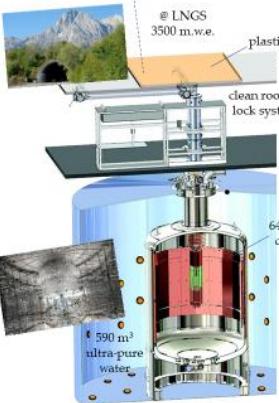
In fact, this LEGEND-200 goal is similar to the best of the GERDA detectors

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GERDA

Plastic muon veto



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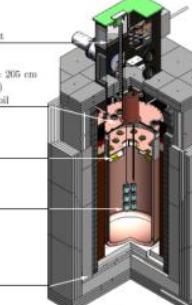
Bare detectors



GERDA

LArGe test facility

Большая часть исследований по разработке аргонового вето и методик подавления фона от радиоактивного ^{42}Ar была выполнена при непосредственном участии сотрудников ОИЯИ с помощью низкофоновой тестовой установки LArGe



M. Agostini et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015) 500

GERDA Collaboration

March 25, 2019



<http://www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/gerda/>

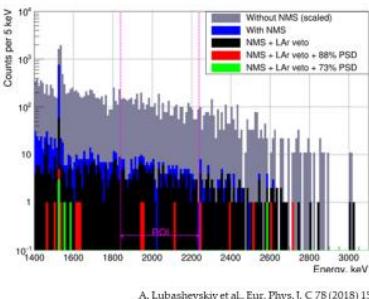


GERDA

Nylon mini-shroud (NMS)



- Разработанный NMS обладает хорошей радиоактивной чистотой, стабилен в жидком аргоне, улучшает работу аргонового вето и позволяет в комбинации с PSD уменьшить уровень фона в области интереса более чем в 1000 раз.
- NMS были успешно применены в GERDA. Новые улучшенные версии NMS будут специально приготовлены в чистой комнате ОИЯИ для эксперимента LEGEND.



GERDA Phase II

Upgrade 2018



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LEGEND



- ✓ В отделе НЭОЯСиРХ ЛЯП было разработана, произведена, установлена и запущена система пластикового мюонного вето.
- ✓ Наши ученые внесли очень заметный вклад как в разработку и тестирование принципов регистрации сцинтиляций аргона, так и в непосредственное создание в 2015 году первой системы активного аргонового вето, успешно примененной в эксперименте.
- ✓ В 2018 году специалисты ЛЯП ОИЯИ, совместно с коллегами из Мюнхенского университета, разработали, изготовили и установили в GERDA модифицированную систему аргонового вето с улучшенной эффективностью сбора света.
- ✓ Сотрудниками ОИЯИ была разработана оригинальная методика по подавлению доминирующего фона от ^{42}Ar . Специально изготовленные сверхнизкофоновые нейлоновые кожухи со спектросмещающим покрытием, смонтированные вокруг германиевых детекторов, позволяют значительно снижать этот фон.
- ✓ Физики нашего института участвовали в анализе полученных данных.
- ✓ Сотрудники ОИЯИ непосредственно отвечали за все операции с открытыми обогащенными германиевыми детекторами, начиная с демонстрации их работоспособности в криогенной жидкости в самом начале проекта и заканчивая инсталляцией (и деинсталляцией) всех детекторов в установку GERDA в обеих фазах эксперимента.

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People

- K.N.Gusev – Project Leader (technical coordination of the GERDA experiment, project coordination at JINR, Ge detectors, active veto systems), 0.6 FTE
- A.V.Lubashevskiy – Deputy Leader (analysis coordination, ultrapure materials, Ge detectors), 0.3 FTE.
- N.S.Rumyantseva – Deputy Leader (Ge detectors, analysis), 0.4 FTE
- V.B.Brudanin – Participant (^{76}Ge procurement, ultrapure materials), 0.1 FTE
- M.V.Fomina – Participant (active veto systems), 0.2 FTE
- S.A.Evseev – Participant (Ge detectors), 0.1 FTE
- D.V.Filosofov – Participant (ultrapure materials), 0.1 FTE
- L.Grubchin – Participant (Ge detectors), 0.1 FTE
- Yu.B.Gurov – Participant (Ge detectors), 0.2 FTE
- Zh.H.Hushvaktov – Participant (ultrapure materials), 0.2 FTE
- I.I.Kamnev – Participant (active veto systems), 0.2 FTE
- A.A.Klimenko – Participant (analysis), 0.7 FTE
- F.Mamedov – Participant (ultrapure materials, analysis), 0.2 FTE
- I.B.Nemchenok – Participant (ultrapure materials, active veto systems), 0.2 FTE
- A.V.Rakhimov – Participant (ultrapure materials), 0.1 FTE
- S.V.Rozov – Participant (Ge detectors), 0.1 FTE
- V.G.Sandukovsky – Participant (Ge detectors), 0.5 FTE
- K.V.Shakhov – Participant (ultrapure materials), 0.1 FTE
- E.A.Shevchik – Participant (active veto systems), 0.3 FTE
- Yu.A.Shitov – Participant (analysis), 0.1 FTE
- A.A.Smolnikov – Participant (active veto systems, ultrapure materials, analysis), 0.7 FTE
- S.I.Vasilev – Participant (active veto systems, analysis), 1.0 FTE
- V.P.Volnikh – Participant (technical support), 0.1 FTE
- E.A.Yakushev – Participant (Ge detectors, analysis), 0.1 FTE
- I.V.Zhitnikov – Participant (analysis), 0.1 FTE

Total FTE: 6.8

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Plans

2021-2022:

Modification of GERDA cryostat for LEGEND-200. Integration of the first strings and start data taking of the LEGEND experiment. Working on the conceptual design of LEGEND-1000.

2022-2023:

Taking data in LEGEND-200. Finalizing the array by adding the rest of the enriched Ge detectors. Publication of the first results of LEGEND-200. Preparation of the LEGEND-1000 (procurement of enriched ^{76}Ge , production and testing of new Ge detectors, R&D of low background materials and electronics).

2023-2024:

Taking data in LEGEND-200. Adding the new detectors strings in the center of the LEGEND-200 array. Publication of improved results of LEGEND-200. Completion the design of LEGEND-1000. Continuation of preparation of the LEGEND-1000 (procurement of enriched ^{76}Ge , production and testing of new Ge detectors, R&D of low background materials and electronics).

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Financing (forms № 26 and № 29)

Expenditures, resources, financing sources		Costs (k\$) Resource requirements	Proposals of the Laboratory on the distribution of finances and resources		
			1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Expenditures	1. R&D of ultrapure materials 2. Procurement of ⁷⁶ Ge detectors 3. R&D of active veto systems 4. R&D on Ge detectors 5. R&D of ⁴² Ar/ ⁴² K background mitigation	30 150 30 140 30	10 50 10 60 10	10 50 10 20 10	10 50 10 60 10
	Construction/repair of premises				
	Materials: 1. Enriched ⁷⁶ Ge 2. Scintillating and clean materials 3. Chemicals for Ge detectors	150 45 6	50 15 2	50 15 2	50 15 2
Required resources	Standard hour	Resources of – Laboratory design bureau; – JINR Experimental Workshop; – Laboratory experimental facilities division; – accelerator; – computer. Operating costs.	300 600	100 200	100 200
Financing sources	Budgetary resources	Budget expenditures including foreign-currency resources.	581	207	167
	External resources	Contributions by collaborators. Grants. Contributions by sponsors. Contracts. Other financial resources, etc.	30	10	10

Expenditure items	Full cost	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Direct expenses for the Project				
1. Accelerator, reactor	h			
2. Computers	h			
3. Computer connection	6 k\$	2	2	2
4. Design bureau	standard hour	100	100	100
5. Experimental Workshop	standard hour	200	200	200
6. Materials	201 k\$	67	67	67
7. Equipment	380 k\$	140	100	140
8. Construction/repair of premises	k\$			
9. Payments for agreement-based research	k\$			
10. Travel allowance, including: a) non-rouble zone countries b) rouble zone countries c) protocol-based	150 k\$	30	30	30
Total direct expenses	737	259	219	259

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Publications and talks

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3. «Mitigation of $^{42}\text{Ar}/^{42}\text{K}$ background for the GERDA Phase II experiment», Eur. Phys. J. C 78 (2018) 15.
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24. «First results from Phase II of the GERDA experiment», K.Gusev at INPC 2016, Adelaide, Australia.
25. «Neutrinoless double beta decay: First results of GERDA Phase II and the status of other experiments», A.Lubashevskiy at PASCOS 2016, Quy Nhon, Vietnam.
26. «Double Beta Decay Experiments», K.Gusev at ICSSNP 2016, Dubna, Russia.
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