

**General OMC4DBD  
collaboration on-line  
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# OMC4DBD: ordinary muon capture as a probe of properties of double beta decay processes

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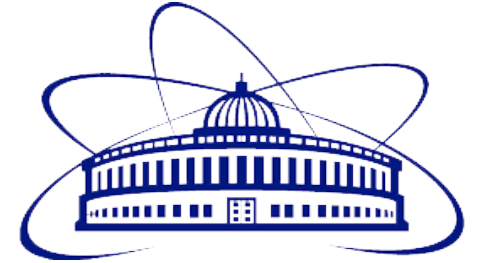
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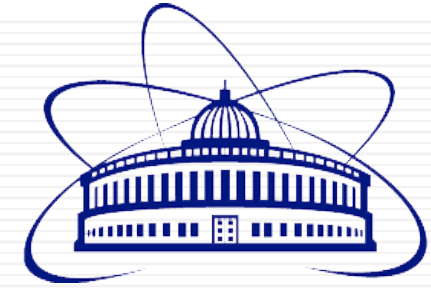


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# Contributions:

- **Paul Sherrer Institute (PSI)**, Switzerland: **A. Knecht, S.M. Vogiatzi** – HPGe detectors, mounting, data taking, administrative work at PSI;
- **Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR)**, Russia: **D. Zinatulina, V. Belov, M. Fomina, K. Gusev, S. Kazartsev, N. Rumyantseva, E. Shevchik, M. Shirchenko, Yu. Shitov, E. Sushenok, I. Zhitnikov** – management, logistics, setup (targets, HPGe detectors, detectors frame, counters), mounting, data-taking and analysis, publications, theory calculations;
- **Technische Universität München (TUM)**, Germany: **E. Bossio, T. Comellato, M. Schwarz, S. Schönert, C. Wiesinger, E. Mondragon** – HPGe detectors, logistics, data taking and analysis LLAMA, software for DAQ;
- **University of Alabama (ALABAMA)**, USA: **I. Ostrovskiy, D. Bajpai** –  $^{136}\text{Ba}$ , data taking, publication preparation;
- **University of Jyväskylä**, Finland: **I. Suhonen, L. Jokiniemi** – NME calculations, interpretation experimental data with NME models, publications;
- Physik-Institut, **University of Zurich (ETH)**, Switzerland: **L. Baudis, G. Araujo, J. Huang** – administrative work, HPGe detector, data-taking and analysis;
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- **Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)**, Malaysia.: **I.H. Hashim, F. Othman, Zh.W. Ng** – data taking, offline analysis, calculations with proton-neutron model.



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# Funding:

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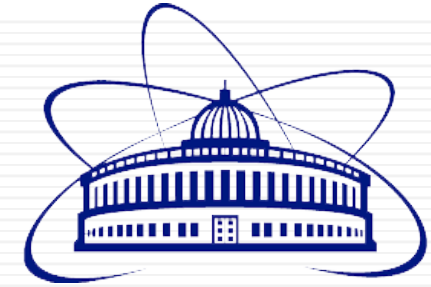
coordinator - **A.Knecht** (materials, equipment, transport expenses and part of accommodation during beam-time)

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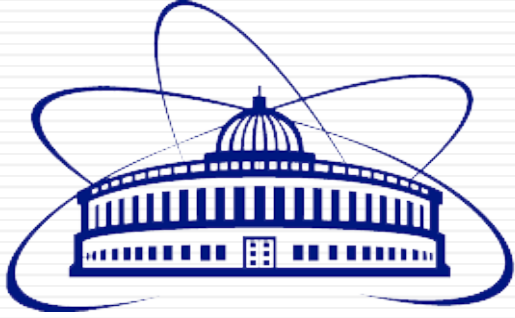
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# Ordinary Muon Capture (OMC4DBD) measurements in 2021 year at PSI

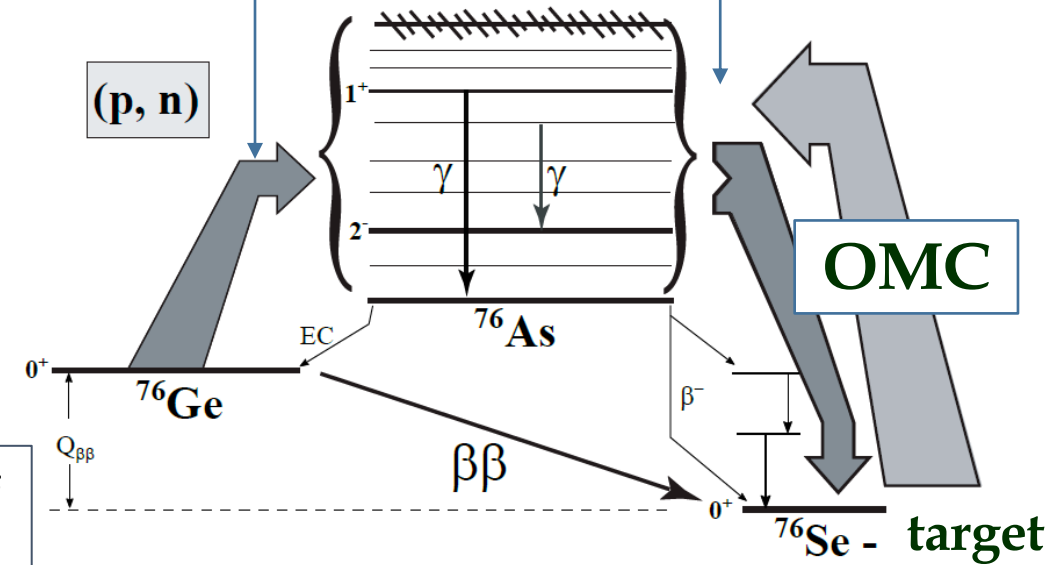
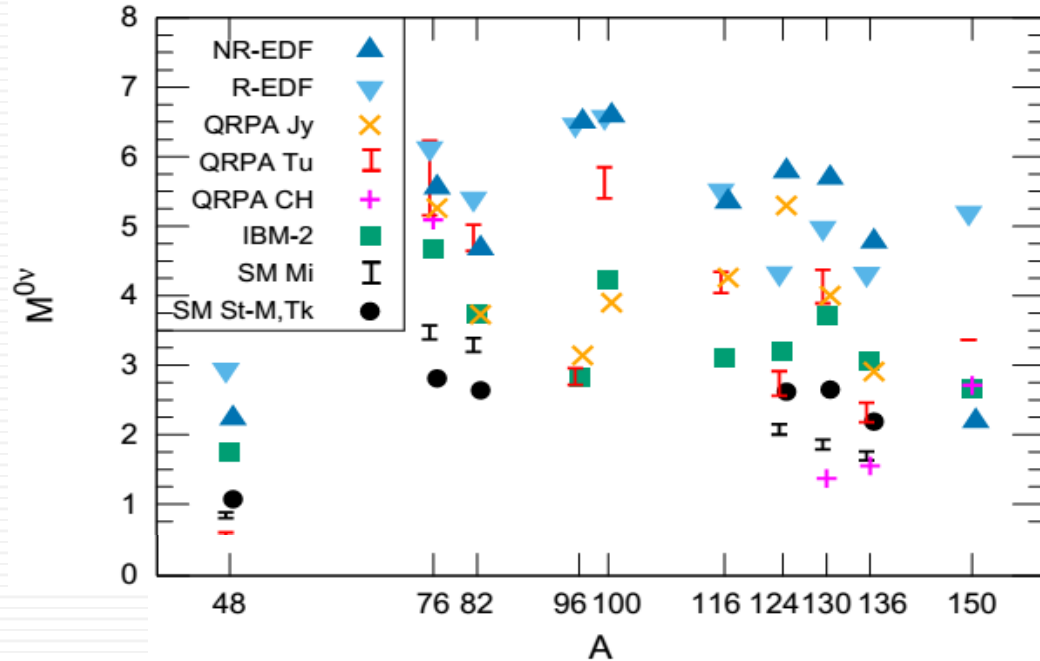
Daniya Zinatulina

25.04.2022, ZOOM

# Experimental input for DBD NME calculations

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}^{0\nu}} \propto \underbrace{\left| \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|^2}_{\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle} G^{0\nu} \underbrace{\left| \langle A, Z+2 | S | A, Z \rangle \right|^2}_{M^{0\nu}}$$

$$\langle A, Z+2 | S | A, Z \rangle \propto \sum_n \langle Z+2 | \hat{H} | Z+1, n \rangle \langle Z+1, n | \hat{H} | Z \rangle$$



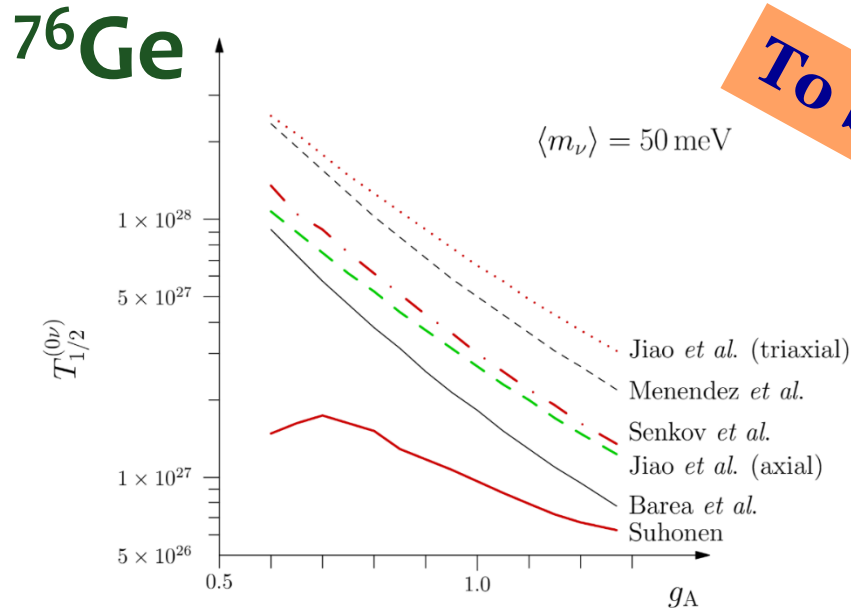
**APPEC-2019, Recommendation 6:** The computation of nuclear matrix elements is challenging and currently is affected by an uncertainty which is typically quantified in a factor of 2-3... An enhanced effort is required and a stronger interaction between the particle physics and nuclear community would be highly beneficial. Dedicated experiments may be required.

# $g_A$ - suppression probing -- via capture rates calculations

To be, or not to be, that is the quenching...

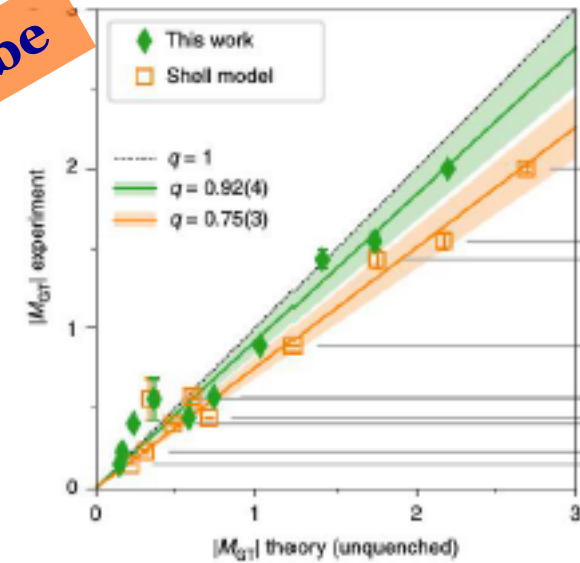


$$|\text{NME}_{0\nu}|^2 \cong |M_{GTGT}^{0\nu}|^2 = (g_{a,0\nu})^4 |\Sigma_{J\pi} (\langle 0_f^+ | O_{GTGT}^{0\nu} | 0_i^+ \rangle)|^2$$



To be

or not to be



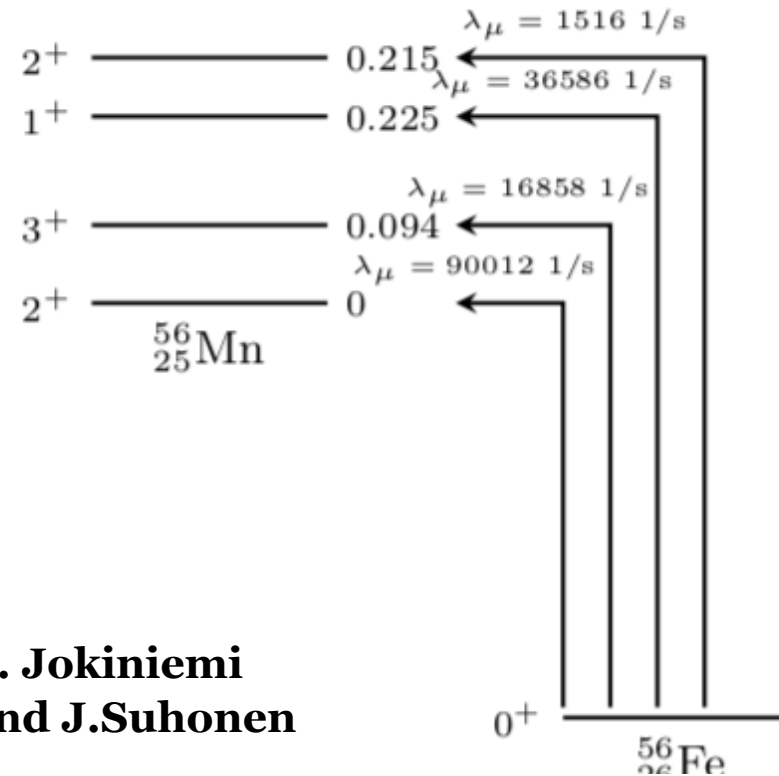
Gysbers et al. Nature Phys. 15 428 (2019)

Ab initio calculations including meson-exchange currents do not need any "quenching"

**Jiao et al.:** Phys.Rev. C 96 (2017)054310 (GCM+ISM)  
**Menendez et al.:** Nucl. Phys. A818 (2009) 139 (ISM)  
**Senkov et al.:** Phys. Rev. C 93 (2016) 044334 (ISM)  
**Barea et al.:** Phys.Rev. C 91 (2015)034304 (IBM-2)  
**Suhonen:** Phys.Rev. C 96 (2017)055501 (pnQRPA)

# Testing shell model calculations for $^{56}\text{Fe}$ , $^{24}\text{Mg}$ , $^{32}\text{S}$ (L. Jokiniemi talk in detail)

- The level scheme of light nuclei is very well known
- Experiment vs. theory
- Optimization for DBD candidates
- Testing  $g_A$  quenching

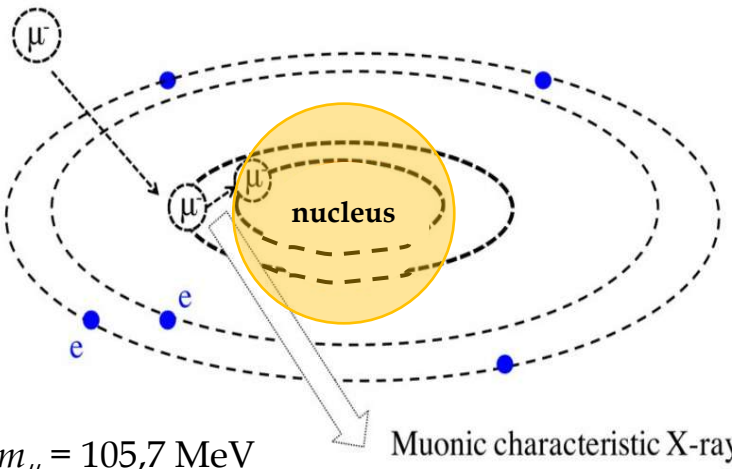


L. Jokiniemi  
and J. Suhonen

$$\lambda_\mu \approx C(q_i) \sum_{\kappa u} |g_V M_V(\kappa, u) + g_A M_A(\kappa, u) + g_P M_P(\kappa, u)|^2$$



# What do we get from the Ordinary Muon Capture (OMC)?



$m_{\mu} = 105,7 \text{ MeV}$

Muonic characteristic X-ray

$\mu^{-} \rightarrow e^{-} + \nu_e + \nu_{\mu} \quad \tau_{\text{dec}} = 2.2 \mu\text{s}$

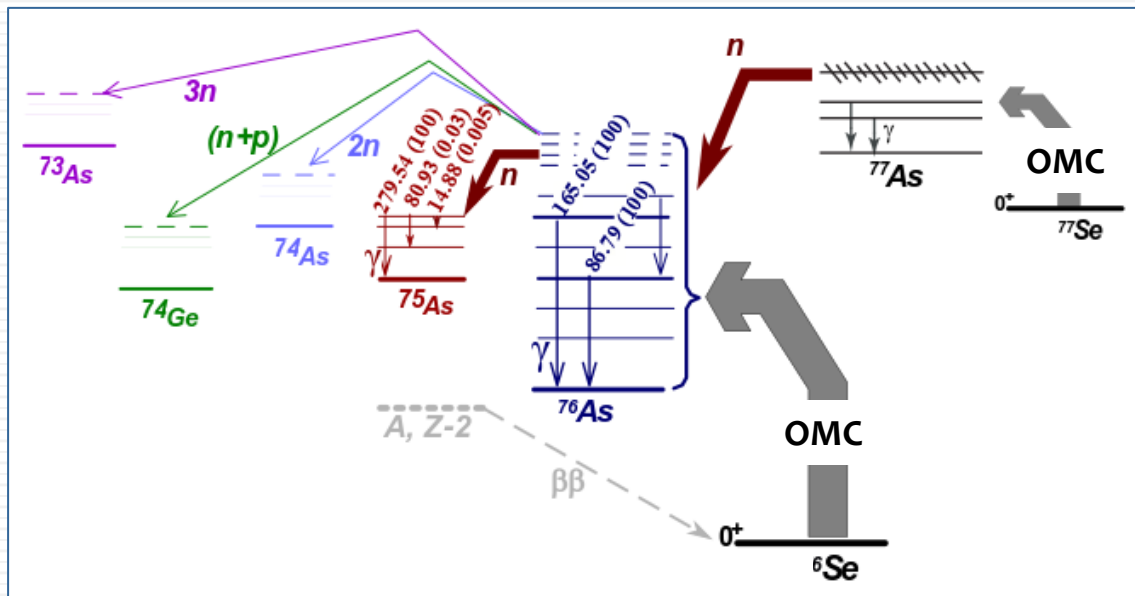
$(A, Z) + \mu^{-} \rightarrow (A, Z-1)^* + \nu_{\mu}$

$\rightarrow (A, Z-1) + \gamma$

$\rightarrow (A-1, Z-1) + \gamma + n$

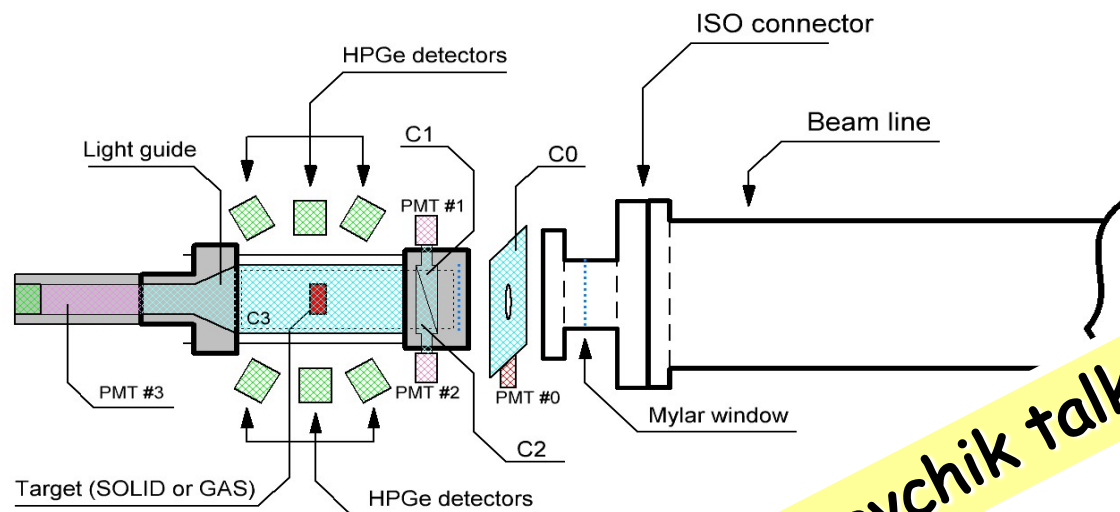
$\rightarrow (A-2, Z-1) + \gamma + 2n$

$\rightarrow (A-1, Z-2) + \gamma + n + p$

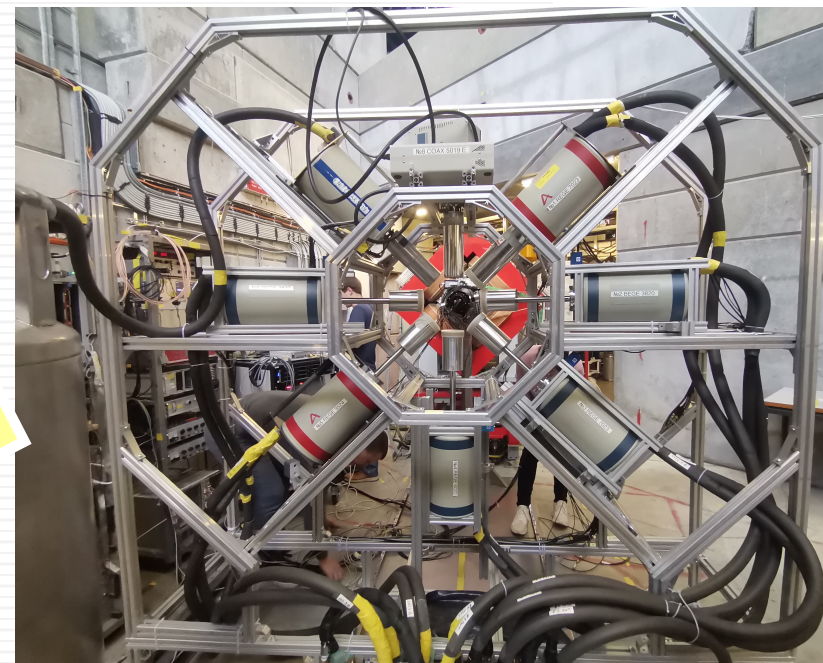


- ✓ Muonic cascades (our by-product)
- High momentum transfer (up to 100 MeV) - High-lying states population
- ✓ Partial capture rates
- ✓ The radioactive production rates (yields of isotopes/isomers)

# OMC measurements in 2021



E. Shevchik talk



on $2\beta$ -decay	on $2\beta$ -Exper-ts	OMC targets	Quant-ty
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	nEXO, KamLAND2-Zen, NEXT, DARWIN, PandaX-III	$^{136}\text{Ba}$ (95.27%)	2 g
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$^{76}\text{Ge}$	LEGEND	$^{76}\text{Se}$ (99.97%)	2 g

## Set of 8 HPGe detectors :

**4 large-volume n-type** coaxial detectors (REGe detectors) with thin beryllium entrance windows. Three detectors from PSI and one from TUM.

**2 large-volume p-type** coaxial detectors (COAX detectors), both from JINR.

**2 relatively large-volume p-type** BEGe detectors with thin beryllium entrance windows, both from PSI.

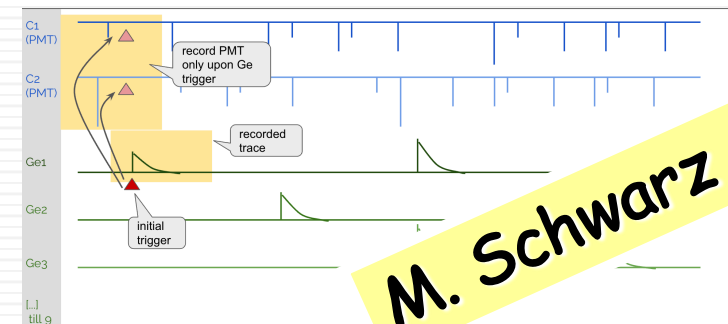
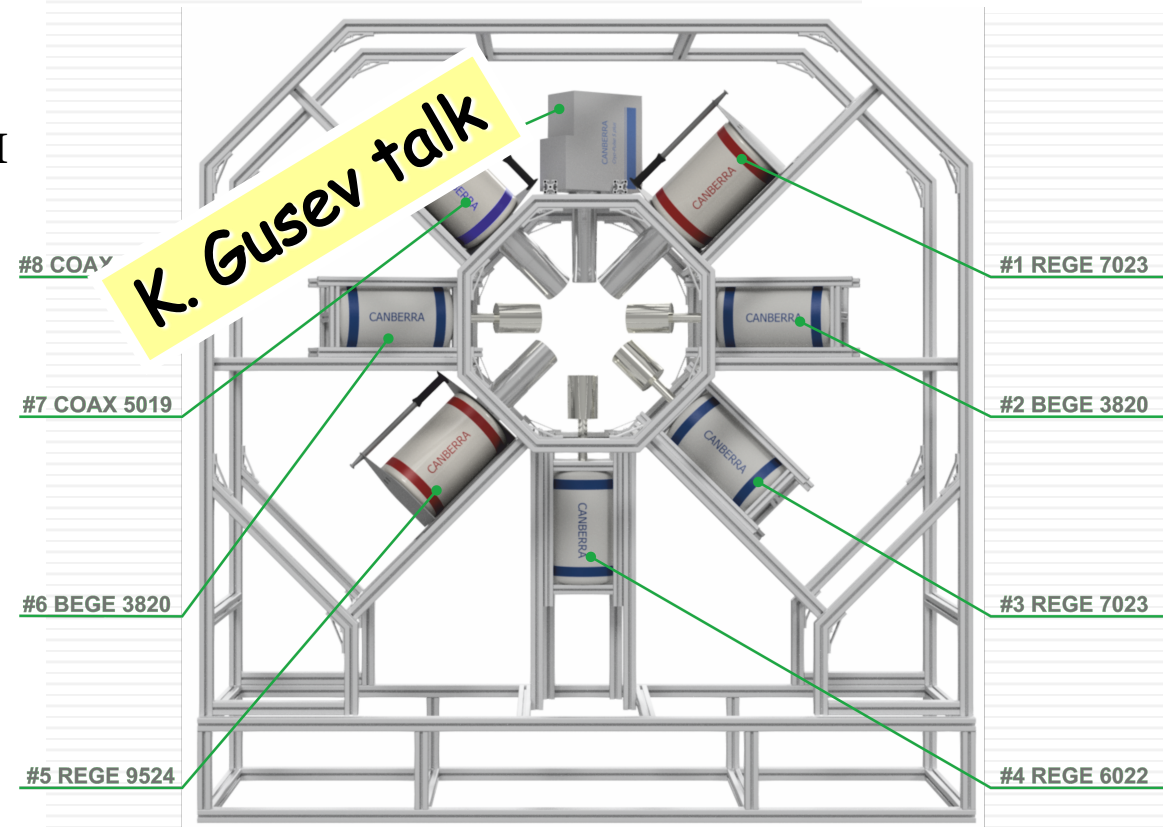
**C0** (aperture defining veto counter)

**C1-C2** (pass-through counters)

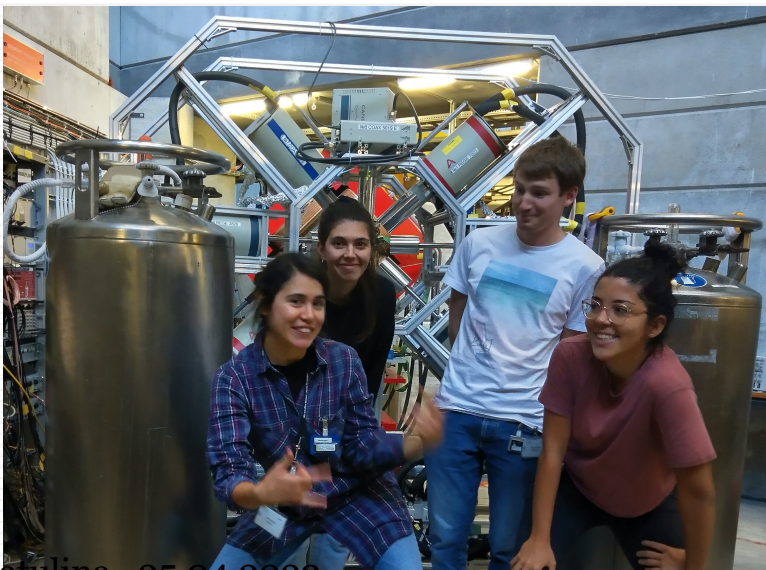
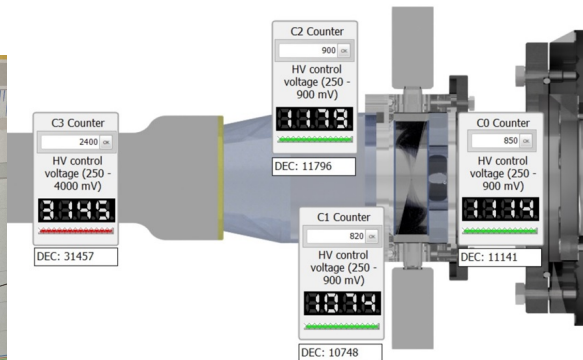
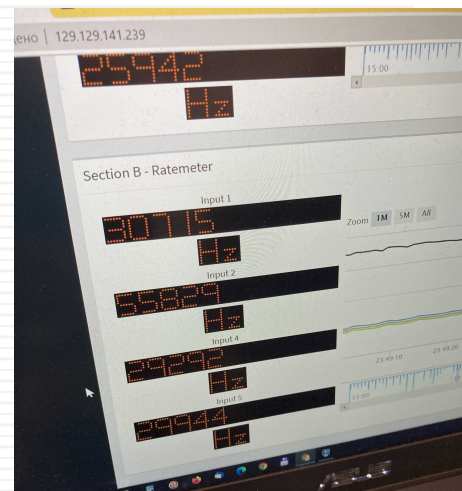
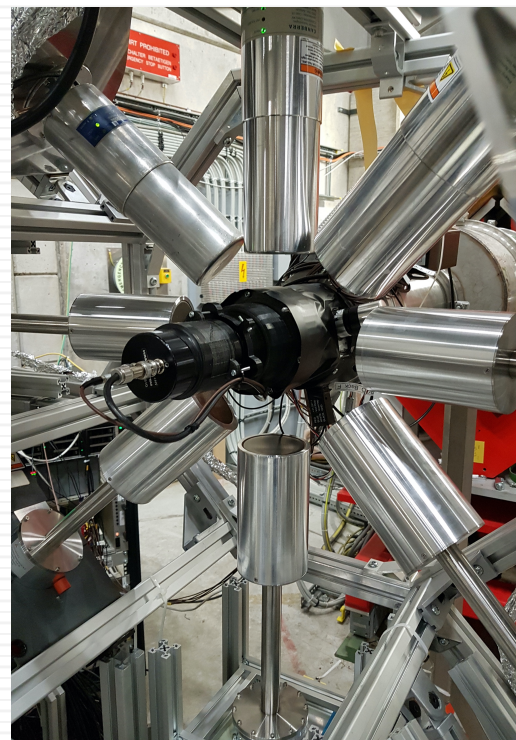
**C3** (cup-like counter)

**DAQ:** 2 digitizers@250 MHz of MIDAS DAQ and LLAMA DAQ switched on in parallel (works independently)

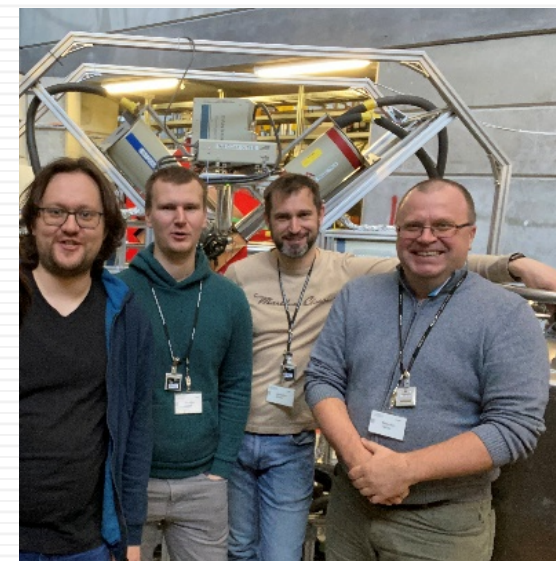
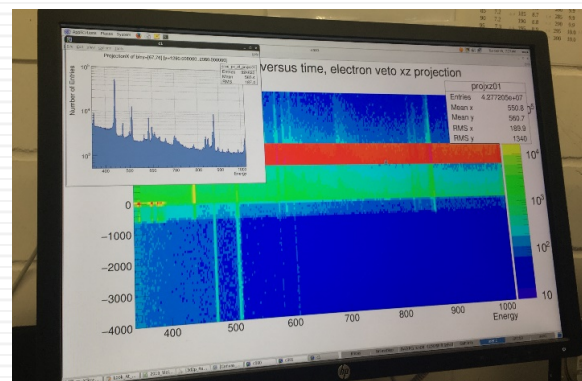
MIDAS slow control  
Online analysis, data backup



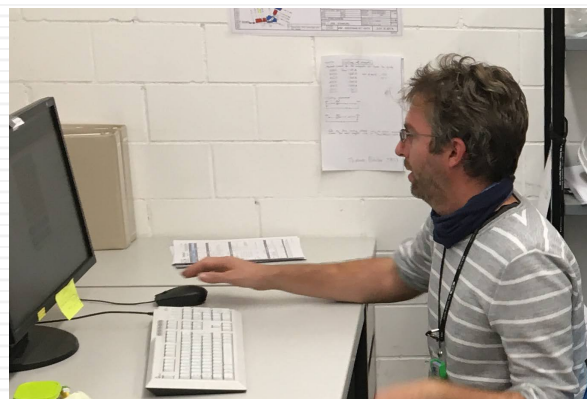
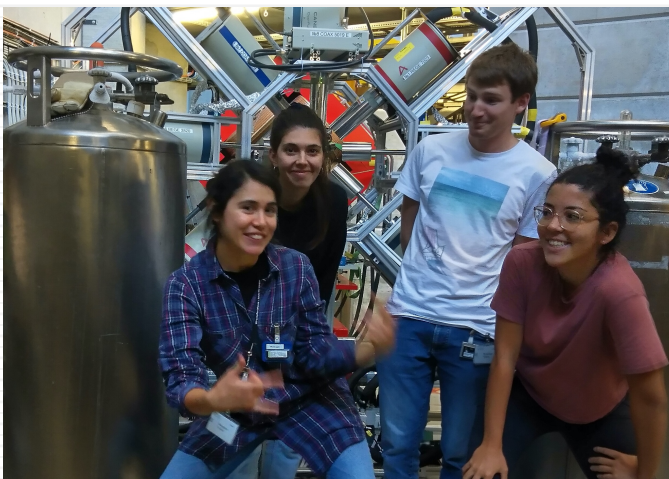
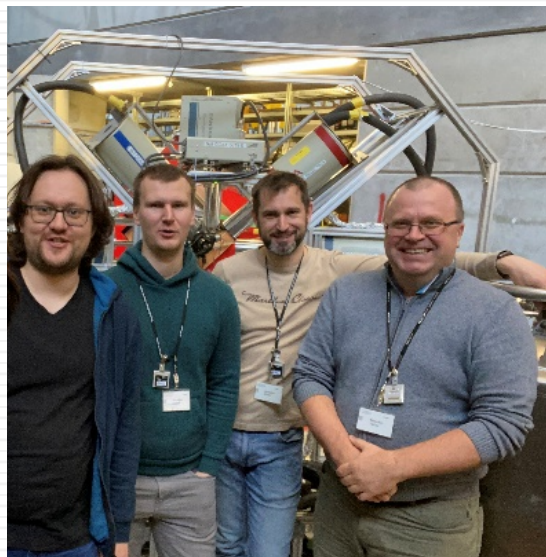
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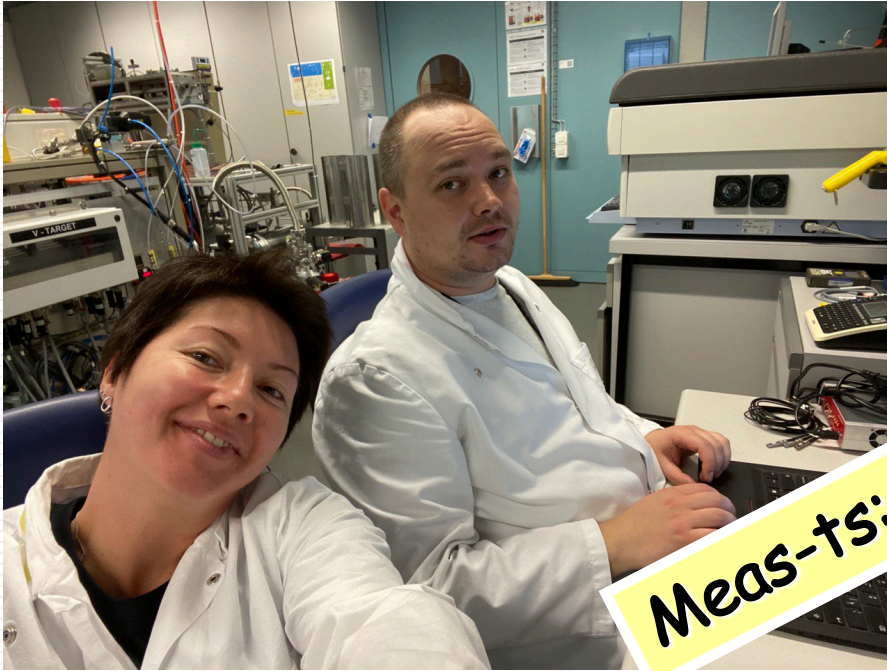


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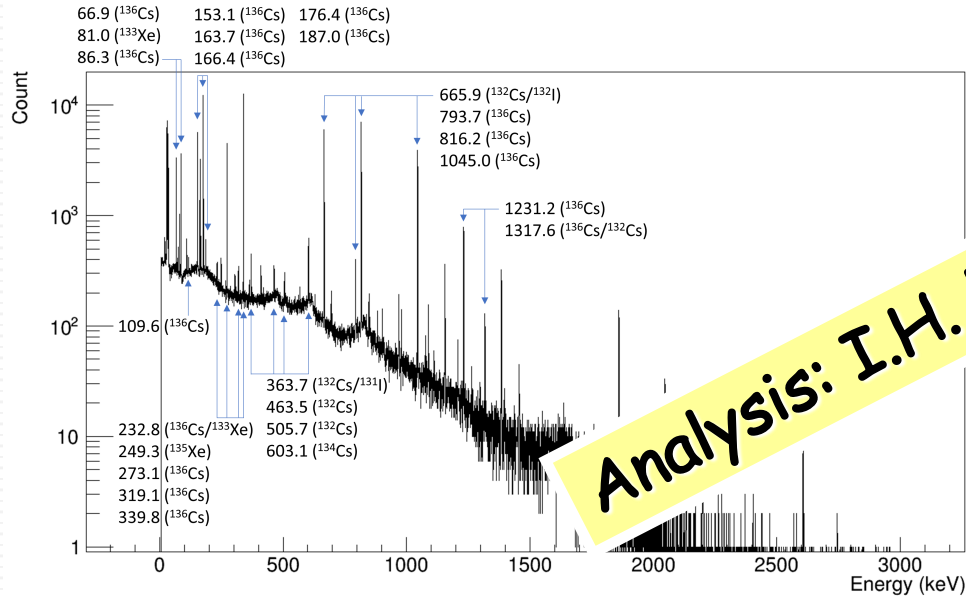
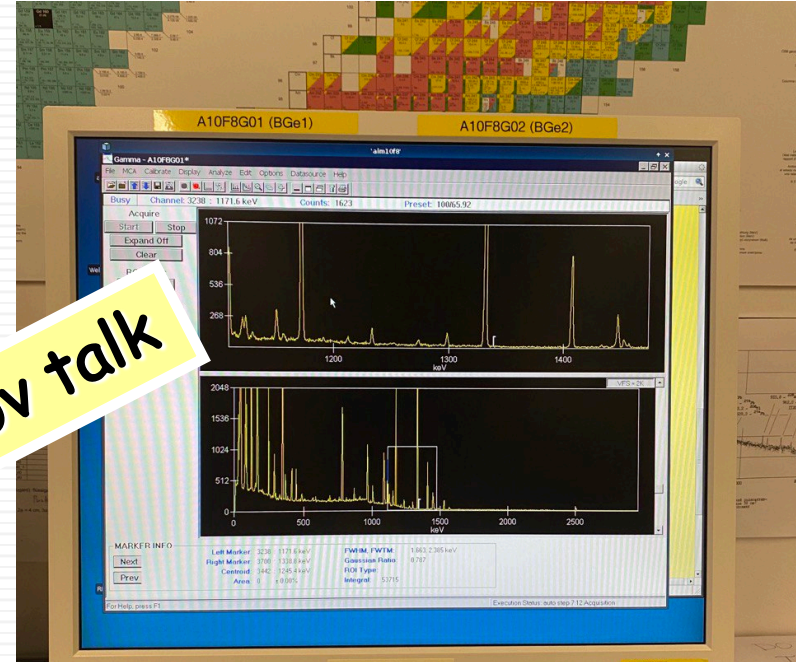


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Equipment delivery	6.10.2021
Assembling and tuning of the setup	7.10.2021-11.10.2021
Calibration runs	11.10.2021-12.10.2021
$^{nat}\text{Ba}$ measurements	12.10.2021-15.10.2021
$^{136}\text{Ba}$	20.10.2021-24.10.2021
Calibration runs	25.10.2021
$^{nat}\text{Se}$ measurements	26.10.2021-28.10.2021
$^{76}\text{Se}$ measurements	29.10.2021-3.11.2021
Calibration runs	4.11.2021
$^{136}\text{Ba}$ measurements	5.11.2021-7.11.2021
Calibration runs	7.11.2021
Deconstruction	8.11.2021-10.11.2021

# Off-line measurements @ LRC PSI



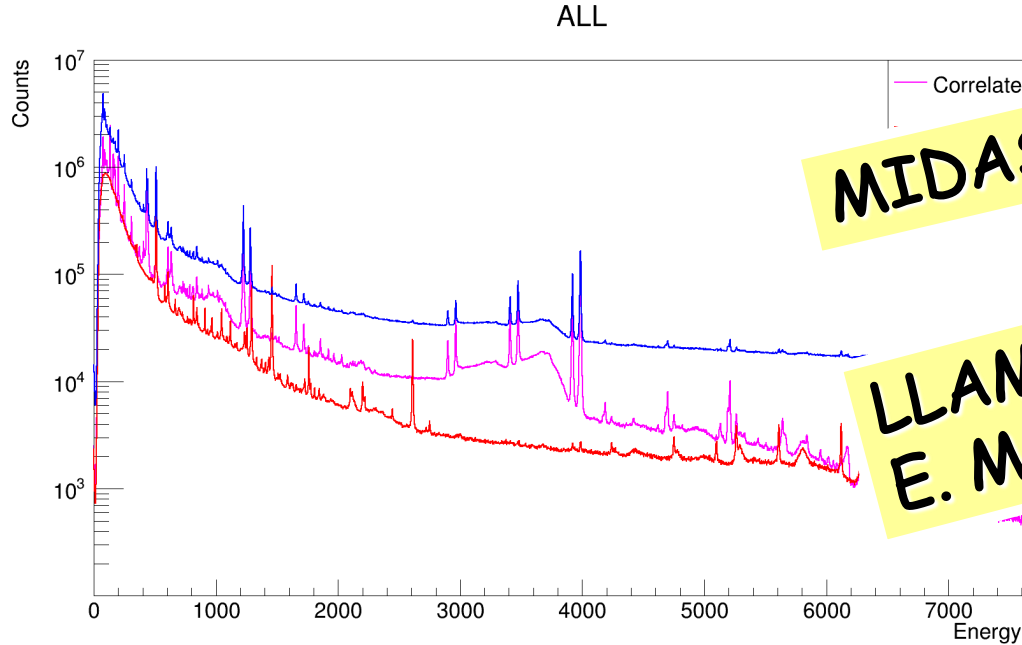
Meas-ts: V. Belov talk



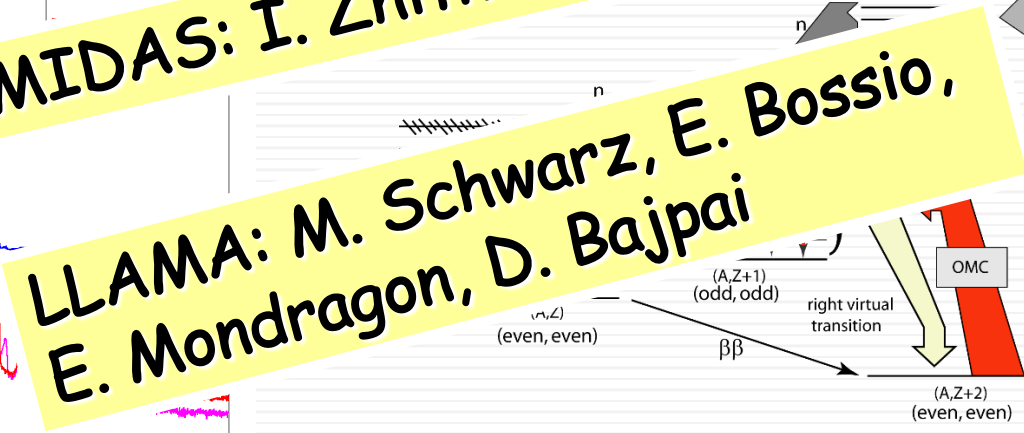
Analysis: I.H. Hashim & talk



# Preliminary 2021 analysis of $^{136}\text{Ba}$ :

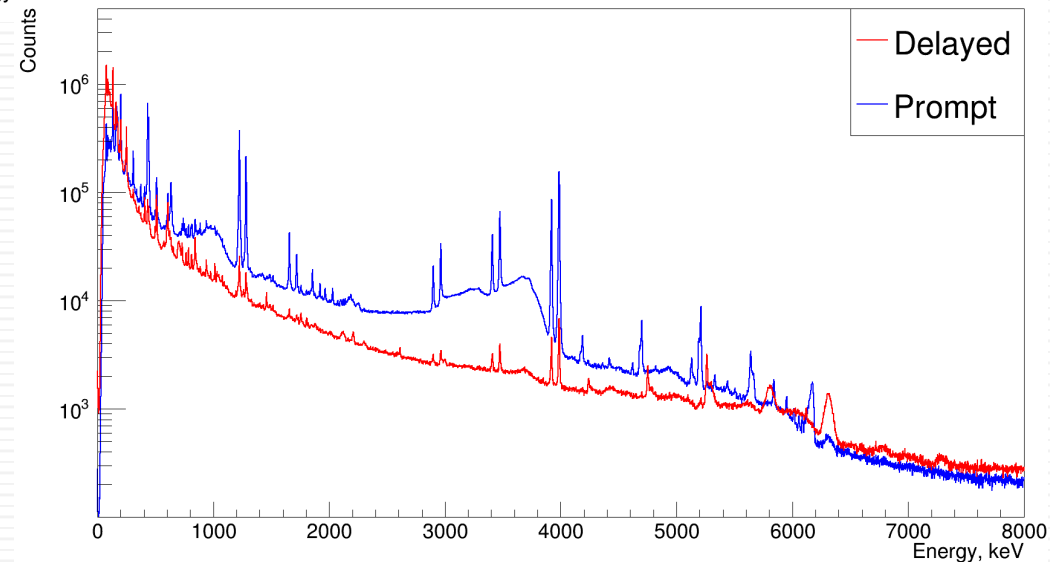


MIDAS: I. Zhitnikov talk



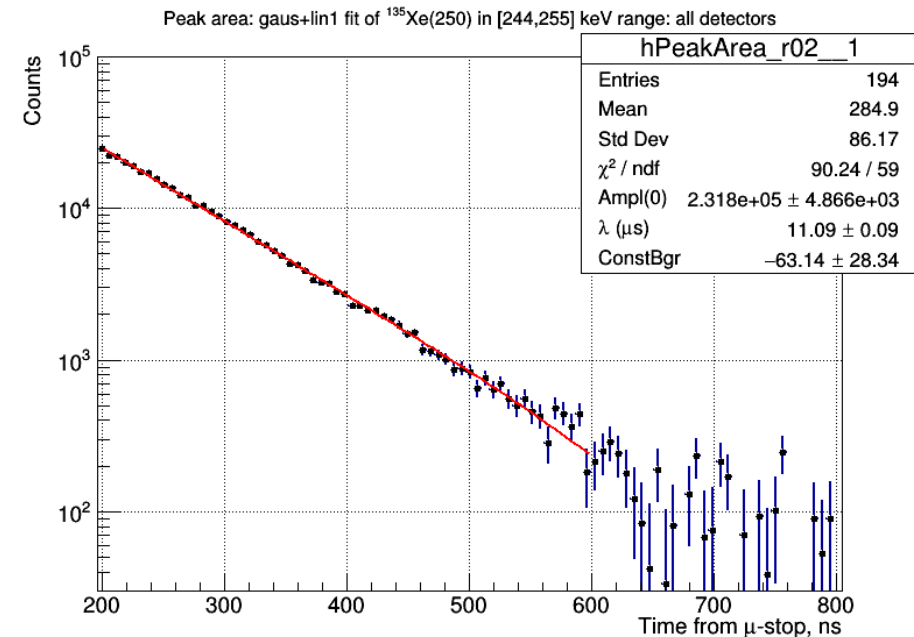
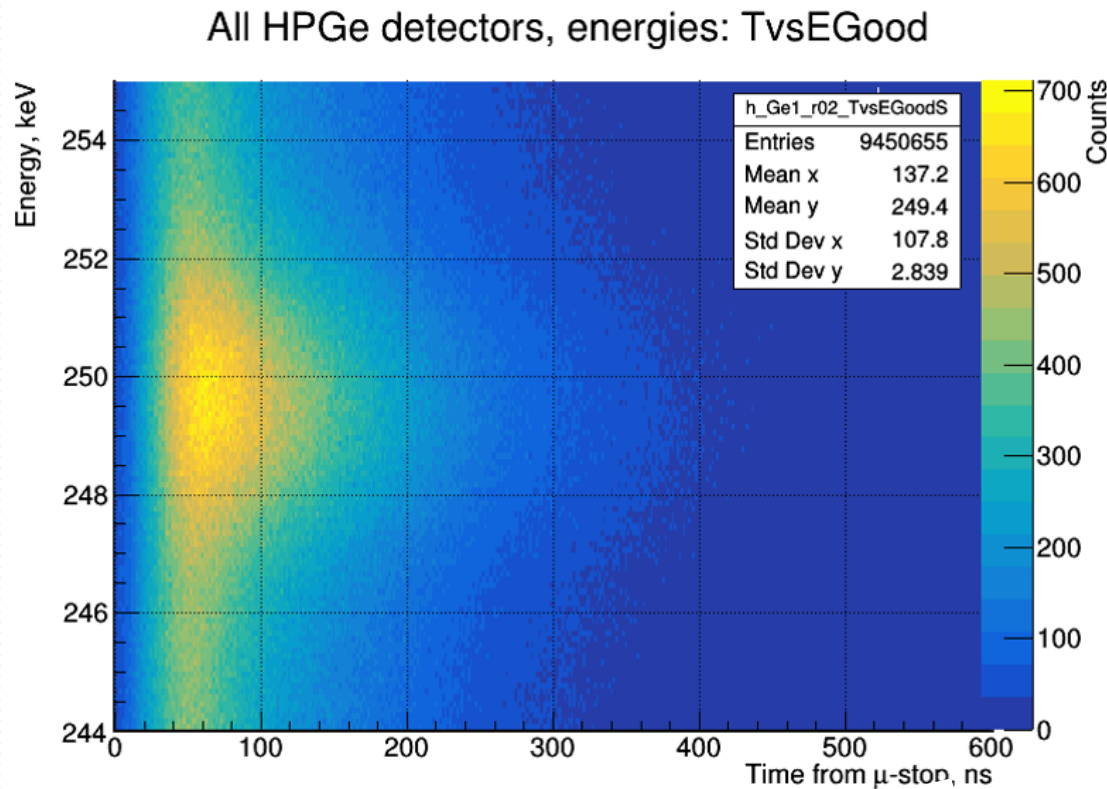
LLAMA: M. Schwarz, E. Bossio, E. Mondragon, D. Bajpai

CORRELATED



- $t_{\mu\gamma} = -100+1500$  ns:  $\mu\text{X}$  and  $\gamma$ -radiation following OMC (**Correlated** spectra) – normalization, identification, composition of the surrounded materials and target itself;
- $T \gg t_{\mu\gamma}$ : background radiation (**Uncorrelated** spectra) – calibration of the det-s, identification, yields of short-lived RI during exposure
- HPGe events with the main trigger and an additional trigger from any of the C counters during the selected time window form **the Rejected spectra**

# Preliminary 2021 results: $(E, t)$ distribution of the correlated events following $\mu$ -capture in $^{136}\text{Ba}$ target



Yu. Shitov talk

Time evolution of the 249.7 keV  $\gamma$ -line, following OMC in  $^{136}\text{Ba}$ .

The corresponding decay constant,  $\lambda_{\text{tot}}$  is  $11.1 \mu\text{s}^{-1}$  and the mean lifetime,  $\tau$ , is **90 ns**.



# Muonic X-rays Catalogue


Nuclear Responses for Double Be x Mesoroentgen Catalogue x +

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## Mesoroentgen Spectra Catalogue



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H											He
Li	Be	B	C	N	O	F					Ne
Na	Mg	Al	Si	P	S	Cl					Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni		
Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br					Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd		
Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I					Xe
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt		
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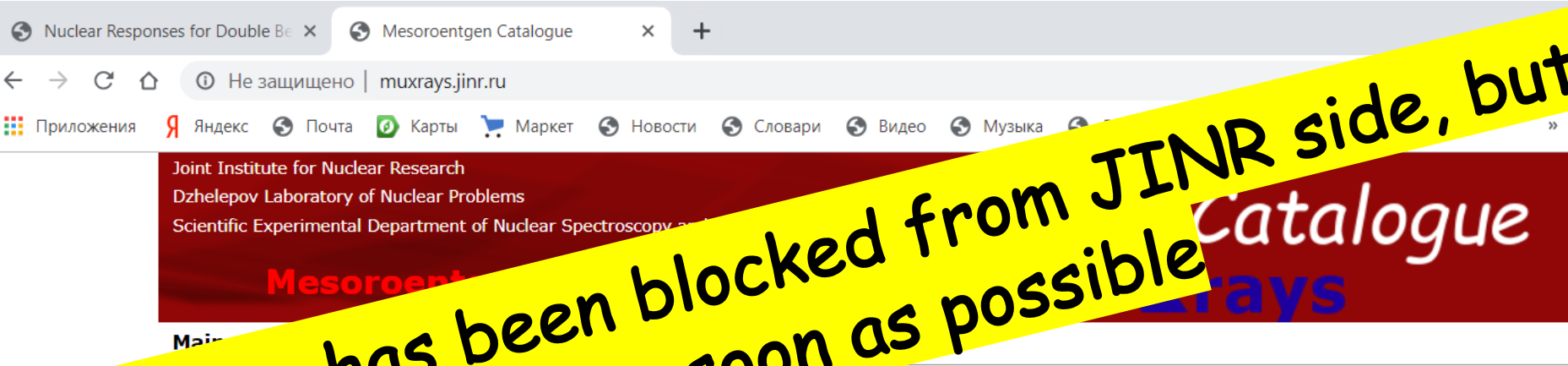
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Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
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Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	
Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I				Xe
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	
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# Plans and upcoming 2022 beam-time @ PSI