



# COSINE Experiment – A WIMP dark matter search experiment with NaI(Tl) detectors

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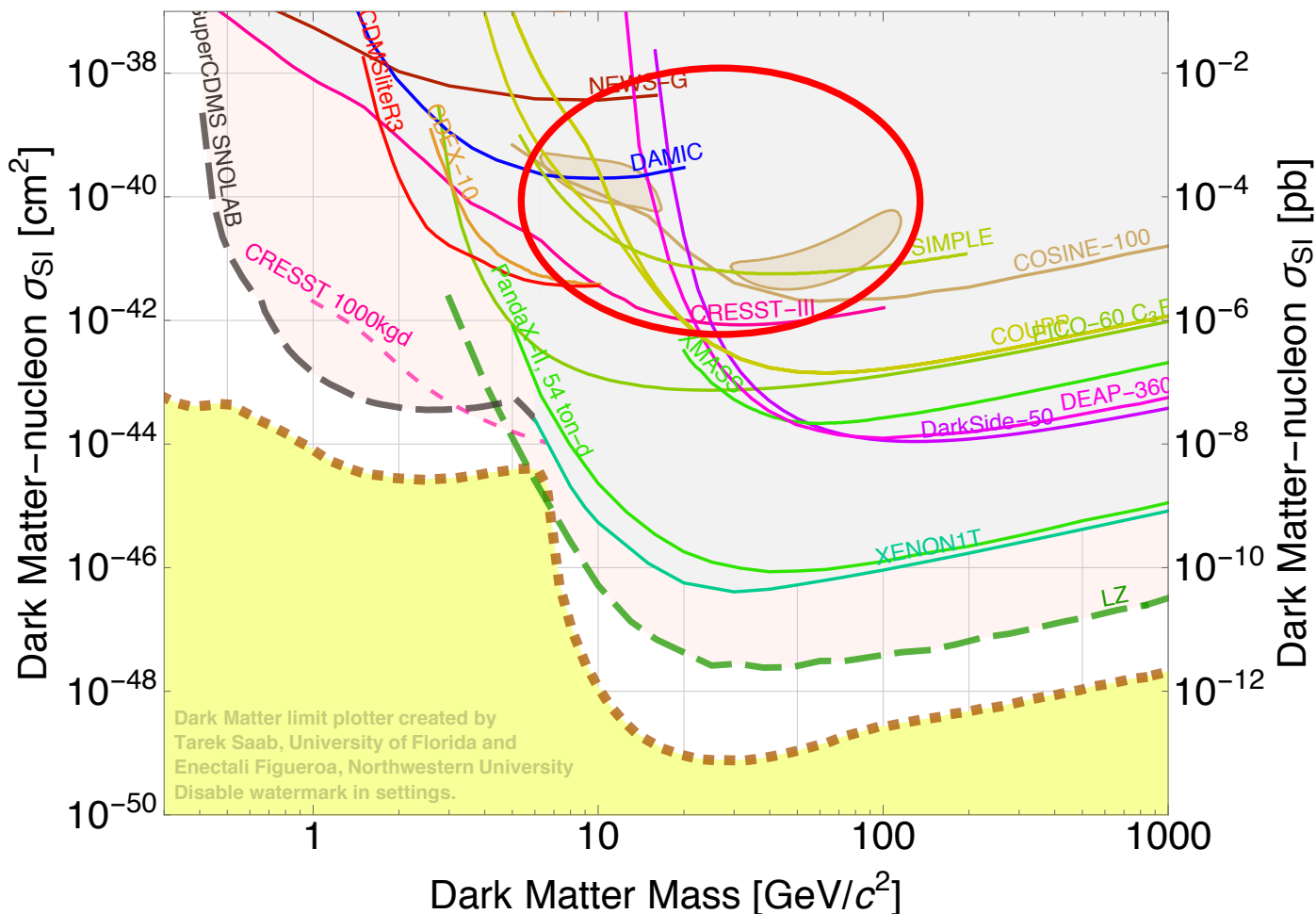
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# Dark Matter Direct Search

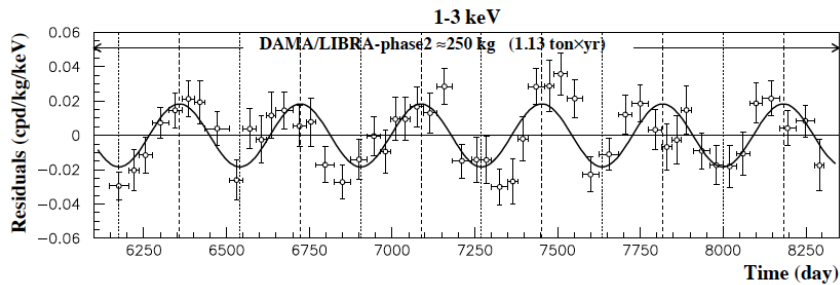
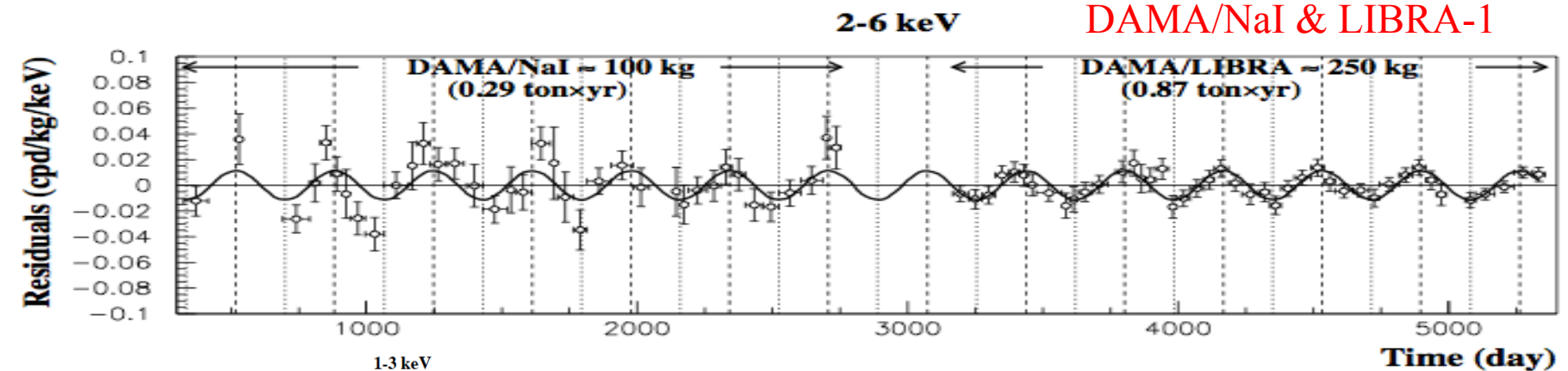
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- DAMA island is many orders off the limits set by other experiments under the SHM. → DAMA anomaly

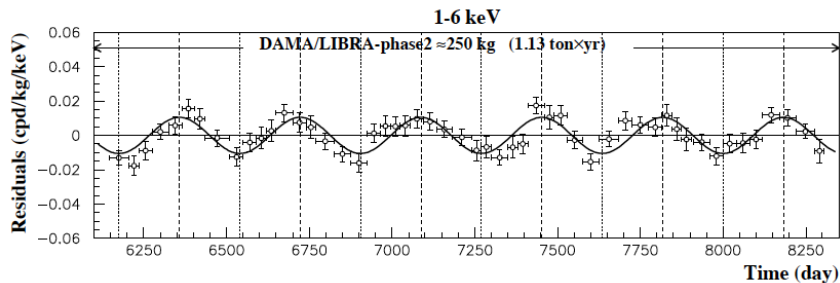




# DAMA annual modulation



DAMA/LIBRA-2



A simple question :

Can we reproduce this result ?

Until now, neither confirmation,  
nor rejection.

# Same Target (NaI) Experiments

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- Since the properties of dark matter are not known, null results with different targets can't reject DAMA's claim completely.
- We must check DAMA's claim with the same target, NaI crystals.



DAMA

SABRE@LGNS

Gran Sasso

COSINUS

Yangyang

KIMS

COSINE-100

PICO-LON

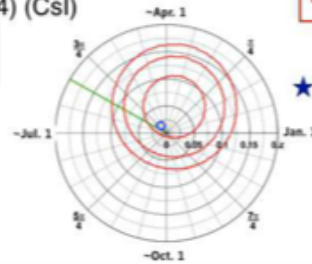
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SABRE@Stawell

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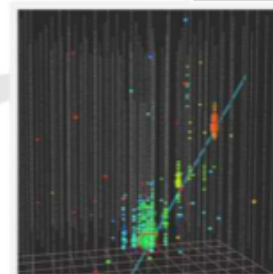
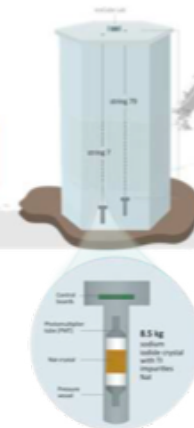
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DM-Ice

South Pole



Boulby

Canfranc

ANAIS





# NaI crystals

- To test DAMA/LIBRA experiment, we need low background NaI crystals.
- DAMA group :
  - DAMA/NaI – 9 crystals from Crismatec company in Paris
  - DAMA/LIBRA – 25 crystals from Saint-Gobain company.
- DM-ICE, KIMS, and ANAIS jointly developed low background NaI(Tl) crystals with Alpha Spectra company in USA between 2013 - 2016.
- High quality crystals with different backgrounds grown.
- Hilger (UK), RMD(USA), ISC (Japan) + ... are trying.

Alpha Spectra  
in Colorado. (2014. 8)

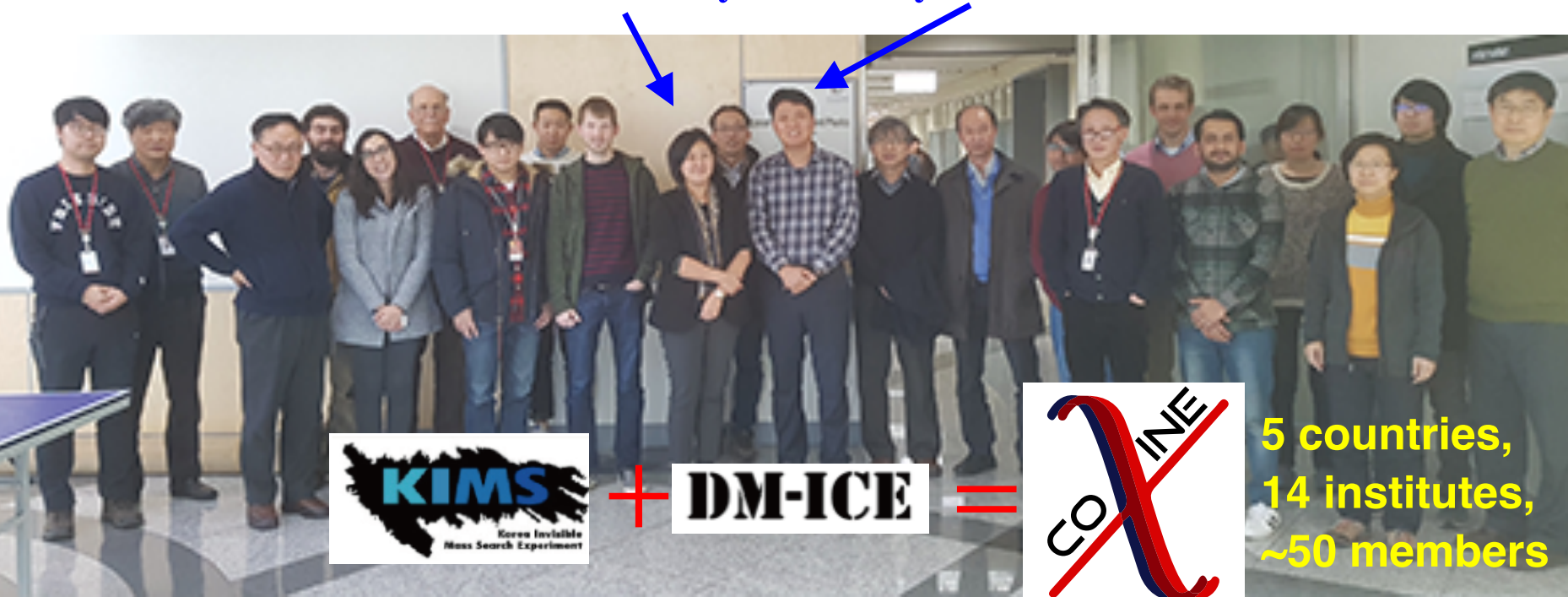


# COSINE-100 : DM-ICE+KIMS

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Joint effort to search for dark matter interactions in NaI(Tl) scintillating crystals.  
(Goal to **check DAMA/LIBRA's observation**)

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# YangYang(Y2L) Underground Laboratory

(Upper Dam) YangYang Pumped  
Storage Power Plant

Center for Underground Physics  
IBS (Institute for Basic Science)

1000m

700m

(Power Plant)



양양양수발전소

KIMS/COSINE (Dark Matter Search)  
AMoRE (Double Beta Decay Experiment)



(Lower Dam)

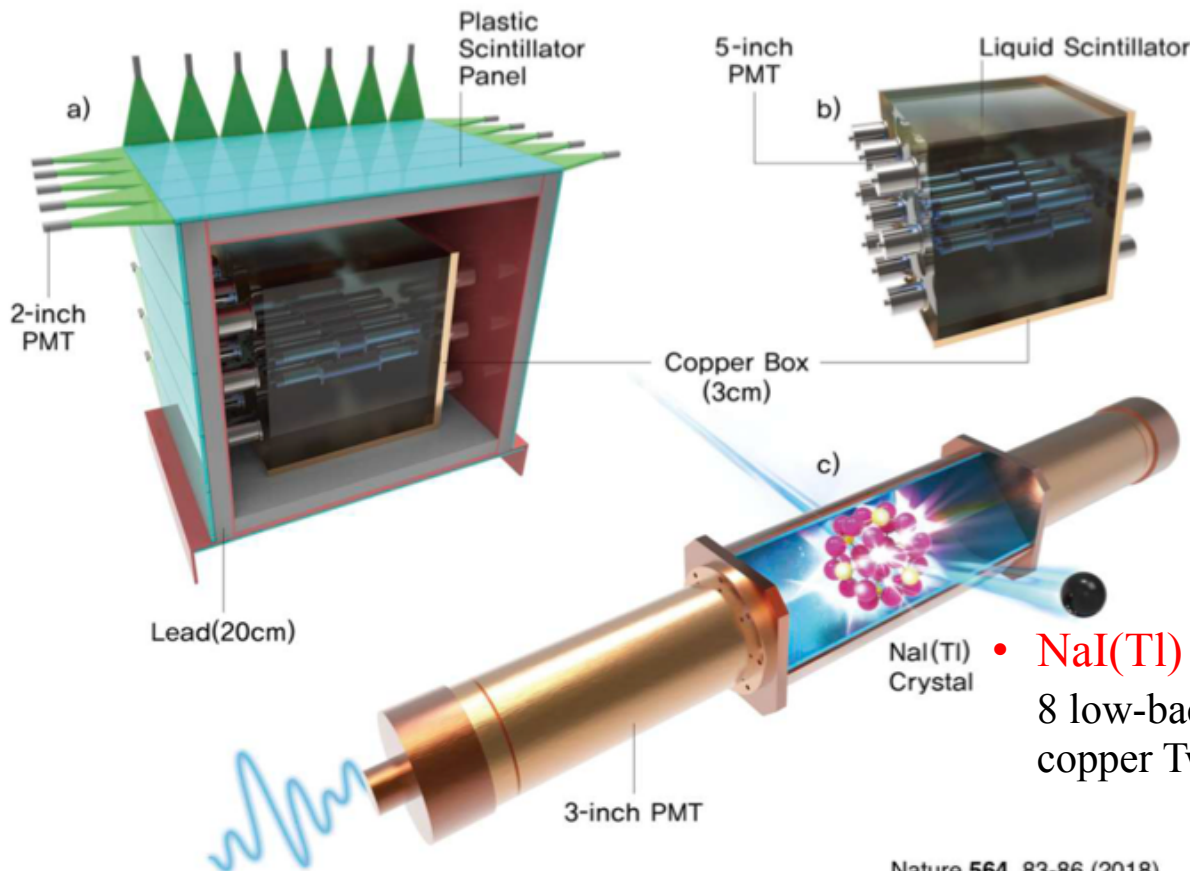
Minimum depth : 700 m / Access to the lab by car (~2km)



# COSINE-100 detector configuration

- **$4\pi$  of 37 plastic scintillator**  
EJ-200 with 2-inch PMT (H7195)s.

- **Liquid Scintillator**  
2200-L LAB-based LS to tag internal/external background, 18 of 5-inch PMT(R877)s.



- **NaI(Tl) detector**  
8 low-background crystals, encapsulated in copper Two 3-inch PMTs for each crystal.

# COSINE-100 NaI(Tl) crystals

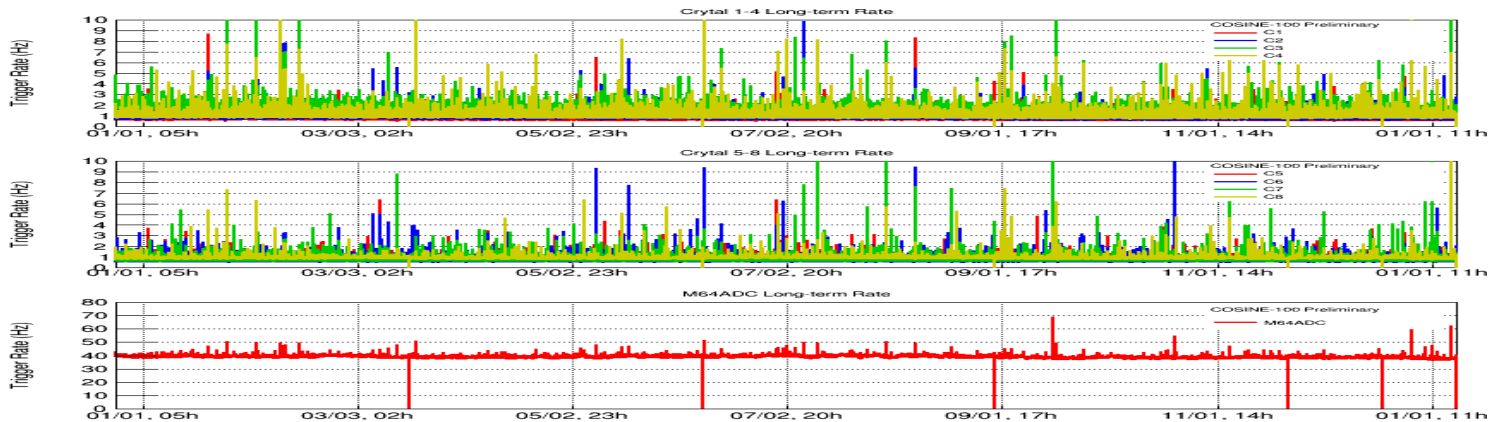
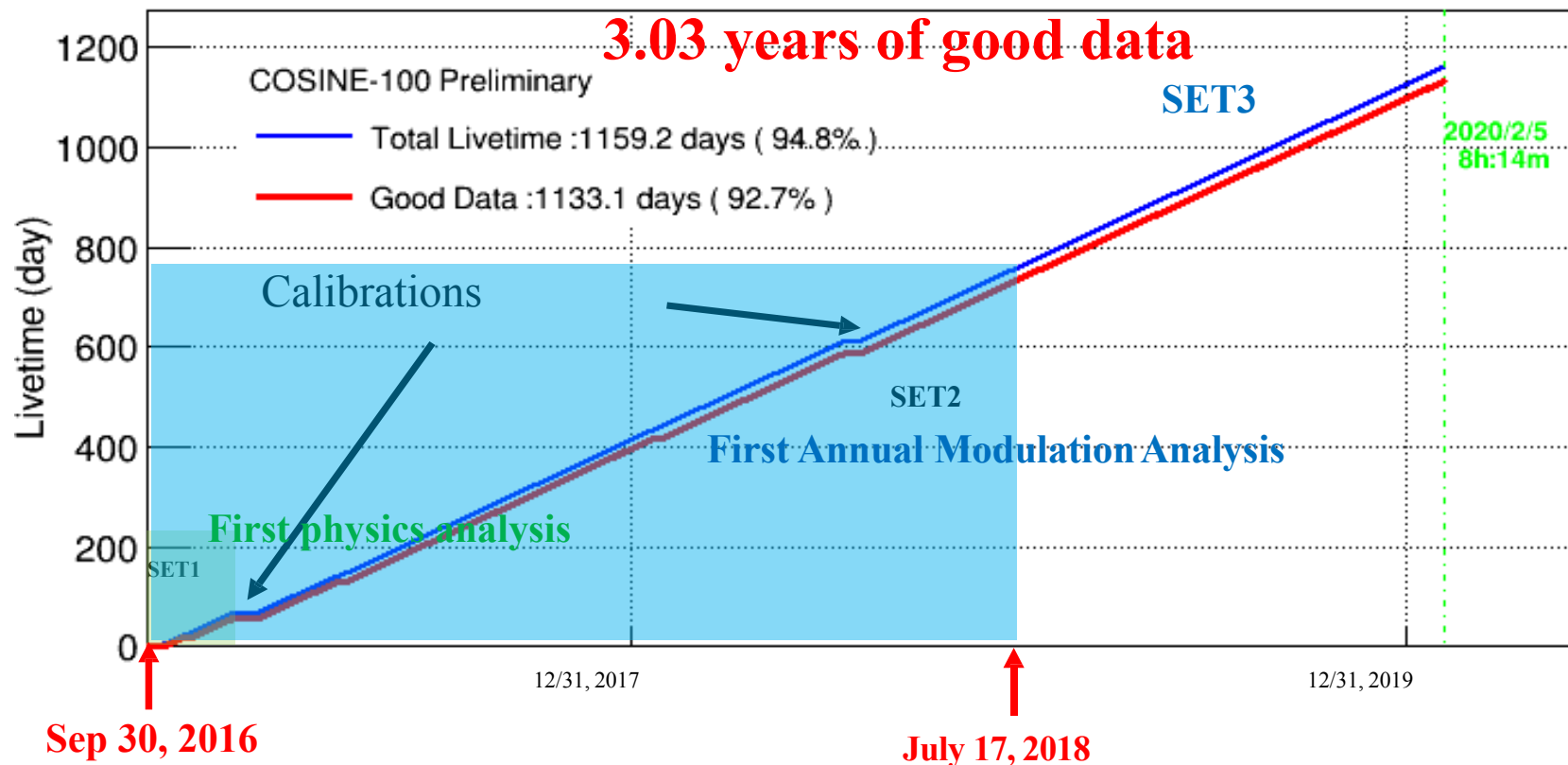
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- Different quality crystals from crystal R&D : 8 crystals, total 106 kg
- For best cases, U/Th/K contaminations are lower than DAMA.
- Total alphas (mainly due to  $^{210}\text{Pb}$ ) rates are higher than DAMA.

Crystal	Mass (kg)	Powder	Alpha rate (mBq/kg)	$^{40}\text{K}$ (ppb)	$^{238}\text{U}$ (ppt)	$^{232}\text{Th}$ (ppt)	Light yield (p.e./keV)
Crystal 1	8.3	AS-B	$3.20 \pm 0.08$	$43.4 \pm 13.7$	$< 0.02$	$1.31 \pm 0.35$	$14.88 \pm 1.49$
Crystal 2	9.2	AS-C	$2.06 \pm 0.06$	$82.7 \pm 12.7$	$< 0.12$	$< 0.63$	$14.61 \pm 1.45$
Crystal 3	9.2	AS-WS II	$0.76 \pm 0.02$	$41.1 \pm 6.8$	$< 0.04$	$0.44 \pm 0.19$	$15.50 \pm 1.64$
Crystal 4	18.0	AS-WS II	$0.74 \pm 0.02$	$39.5 \pm 8.3$		$< 0.3$	$14.86 \pm 1.50$
Crystal 5	18.0	AS-C	$2.06 \pm 0.05$	$86.8 \pm 10.8$		$2.35 \pm 0.31$	$7.33 \pm 0.70$
Crystal 6	12.5	AS-WS III	$1.52 \pm 0.04$	$12.2 \pm 4.5$	$< 0.018$	$0.56 \pm 0.19$	$14.56 \pm 1.45$
Crystal 7	12.5	AS-WS III	$1.54 \pm 0.04$	$18.8 \pm 5.3$		$< 0.6$	$13.97 \pm 1.41$
Crystal 8	18.3	AS-C	$2.05 \pm 0.05$	$56.15 \pm 8.1$		$< 1.4$	$3.50 \pm 0.33$
DAMA			$< 0.5$	$< 20$	0.7 - 10	0.5 – 7.5	5.5 – 7.5

# COSINE-100 operation

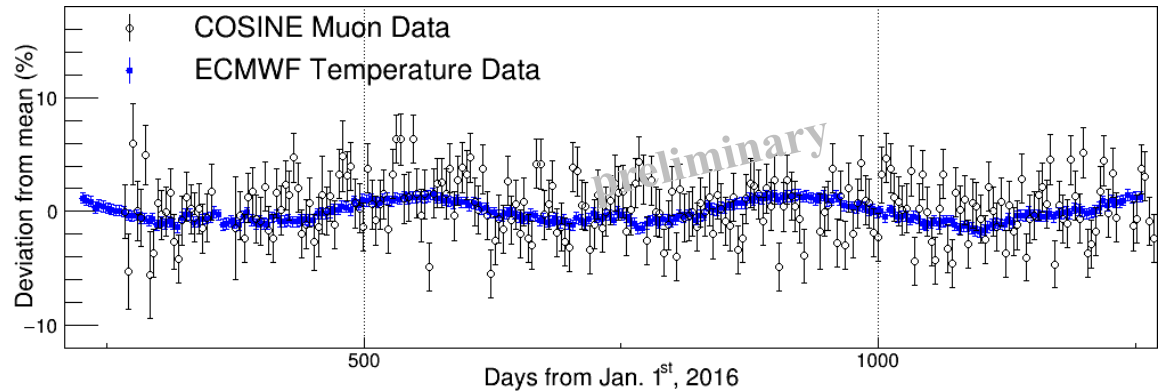
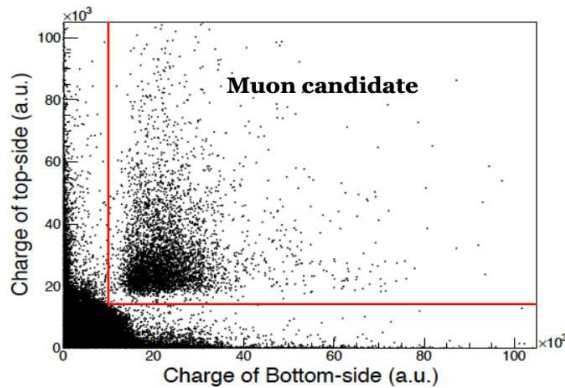




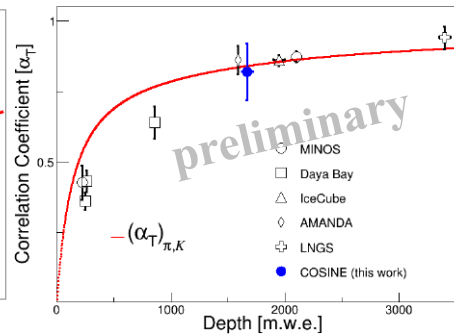
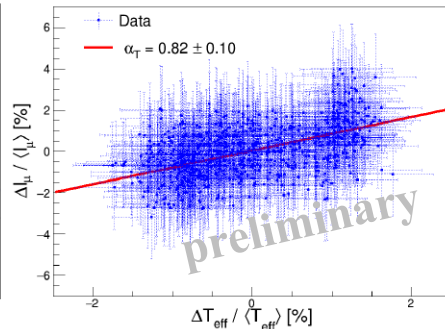
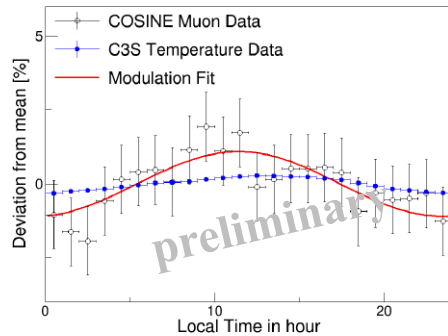
# Muon data

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## Diurnal Modulation



**Muon flux (muon/m<sup>2</sup>/day)**  
**328±1(stat.)±10(syst.)**

**Amplitude =**  
**0.51 ± 0.19 %,**  
**Phase = 178 day**

Experiment	Borexino (This Work)	Borexino I [6]	GERDA [7]	MACRO [31]	LVD I [4]	LVD II [5]
Location	Hall C	Hall C	Hall A	Hall B	Hall A	Hall A
Time	2007-2017	2007-2011	2010-2013	1991-1997	2001-2008	1992-2016
Rate [10 <sup>-4</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	3.432 ± 0.001	3.41 ± 0.01	3.47 ± 0.07	3.22 ± 0.08	3.31 ± 0.03	3.3332 ± 0.0005
Amplitude [10 <sup>-6</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	4.7 ± 0.2	4.4 ± 0.2	4.72 ± 0.33	—	5.0 ± 0.2	5.2 ± 0.3
Amplitude (%)	1.36 ± 0.04	1.29 ± 0.07	1.36 ± 0.07	—	1.51 ± 0.03	1.56 ± 0.01
Period [d]	366.3 ± 0.6	366 ± 3	—	—	367 ± 15	365.1 ± 0.2
Phase [d]	181.7 ± 0.4	179 ± 3	191 ± 4	—	185 ± 15	187 ± 3

Cf. LNGS muon modulation

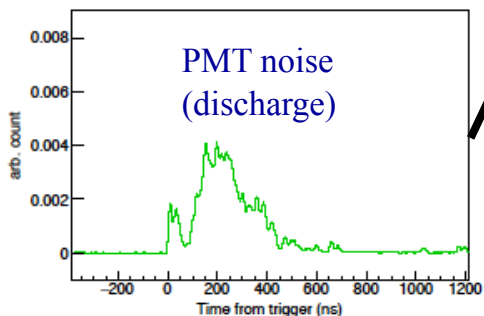
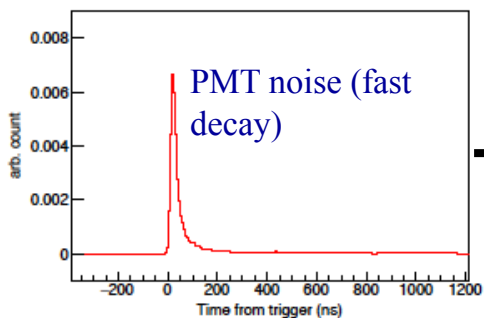
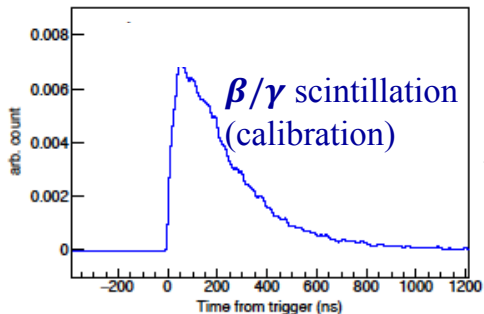
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**Modulation amplitude ~1.5 %,**  
**Phase ~ 184 day**

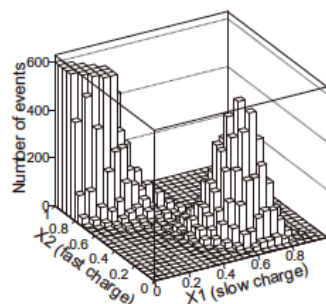
# Removing PMT induced noise

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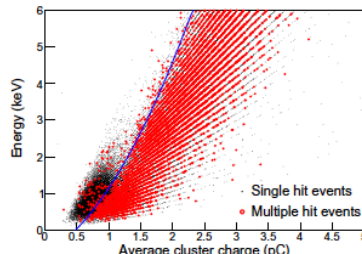
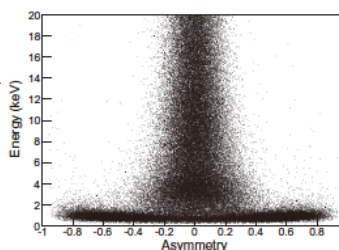
## Accumulated waveforms



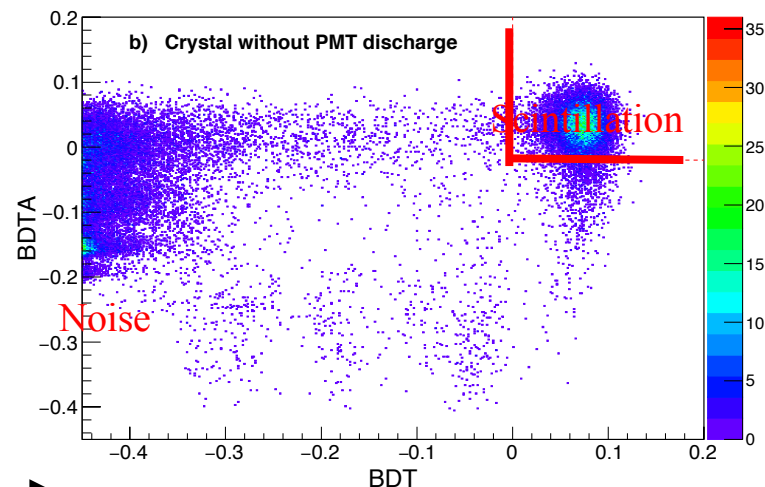
## Discrimination parameters



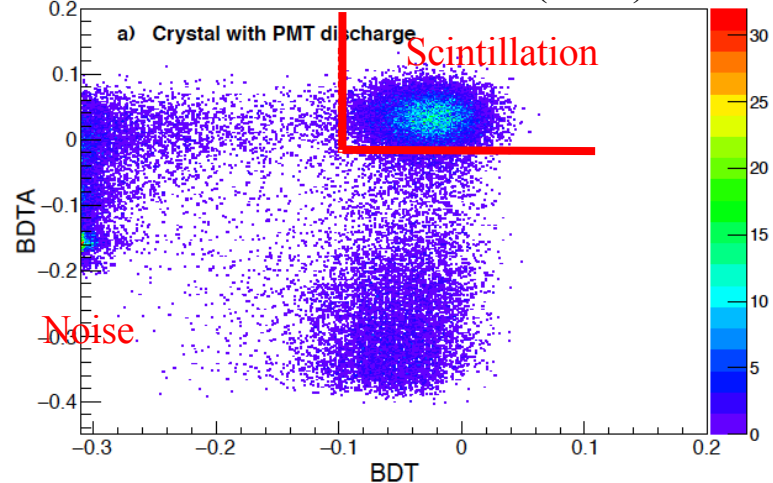
machine learning



## Boosted Decision Tree (BDT)



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# WIMP interaction search from background study

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- Thorough understanding of background spectra made it possible to constrain WIMP interaction in the detector. → **Model dependent way.**
- Used initial two month –SET1

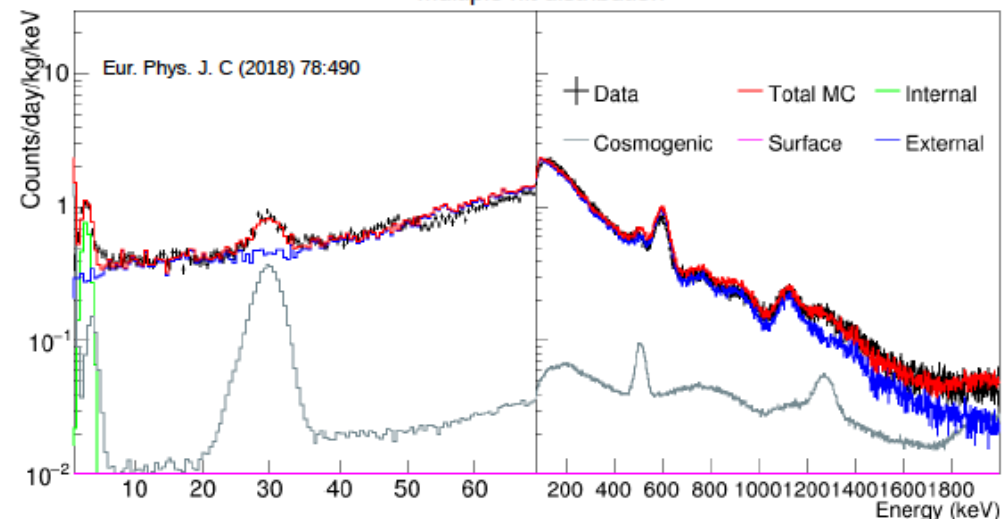
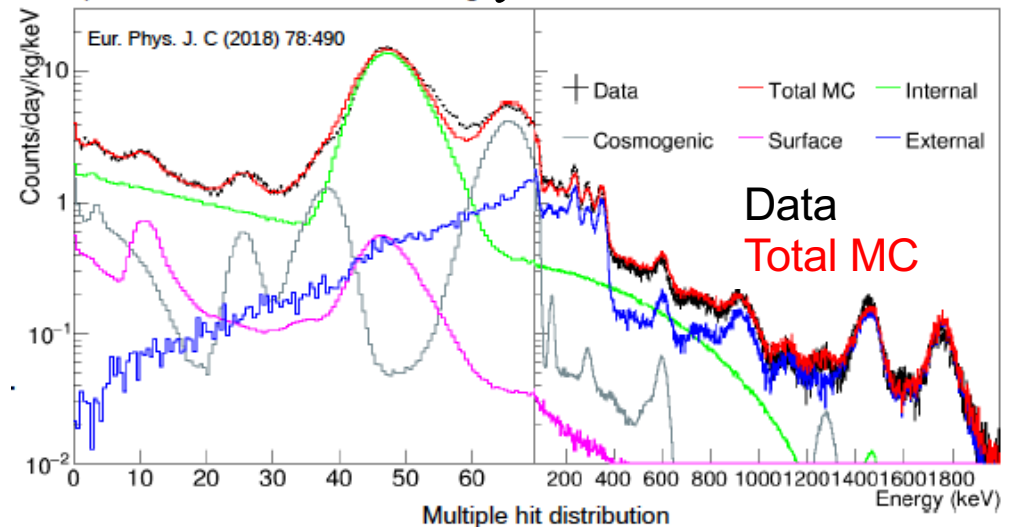
Single hit event  
(6-2000 keV)

**Background modeling was done  
using only 6- 2000keV events**

Multiple hit events  
(2-2000 keV)

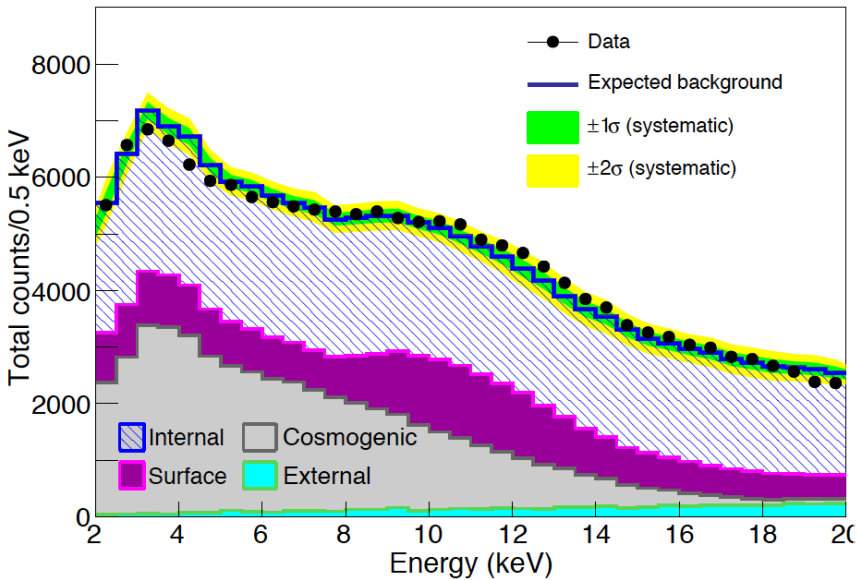
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Crystal 7

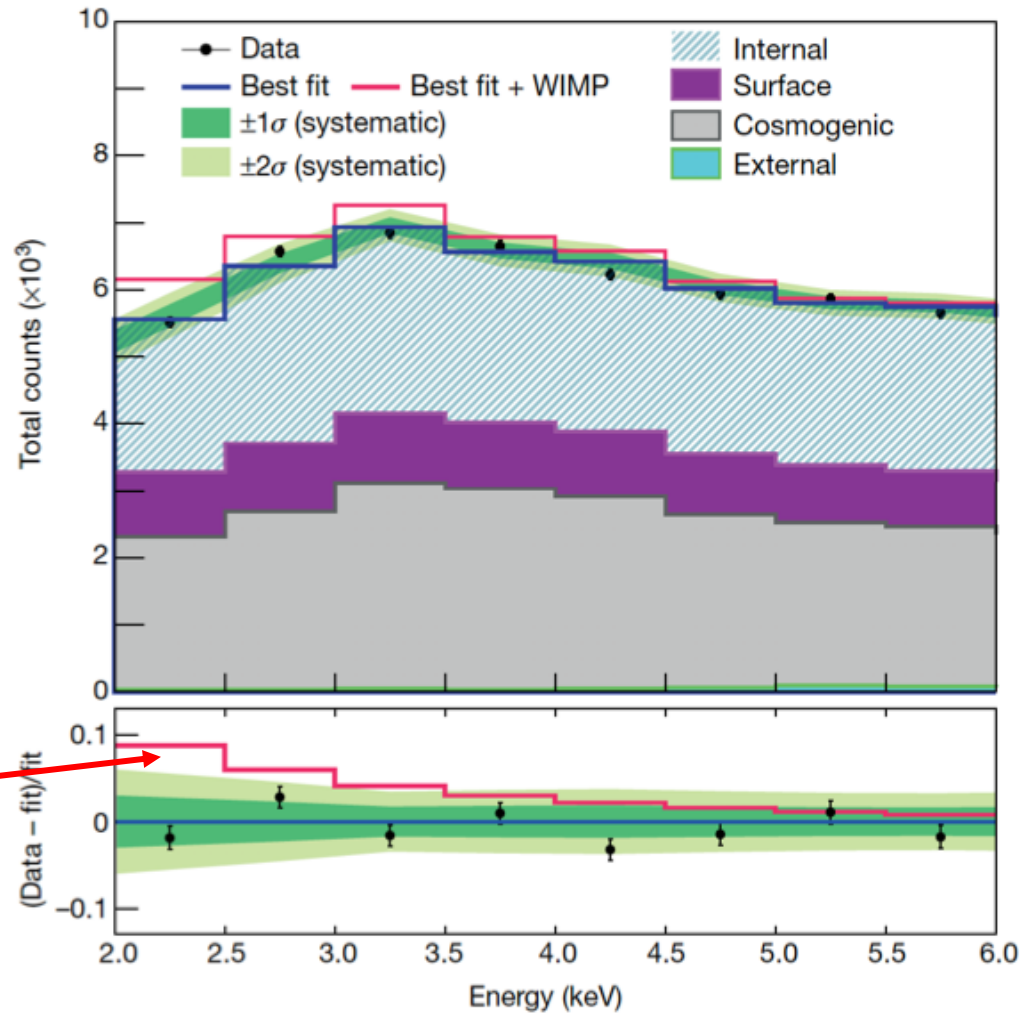




# All crystals together



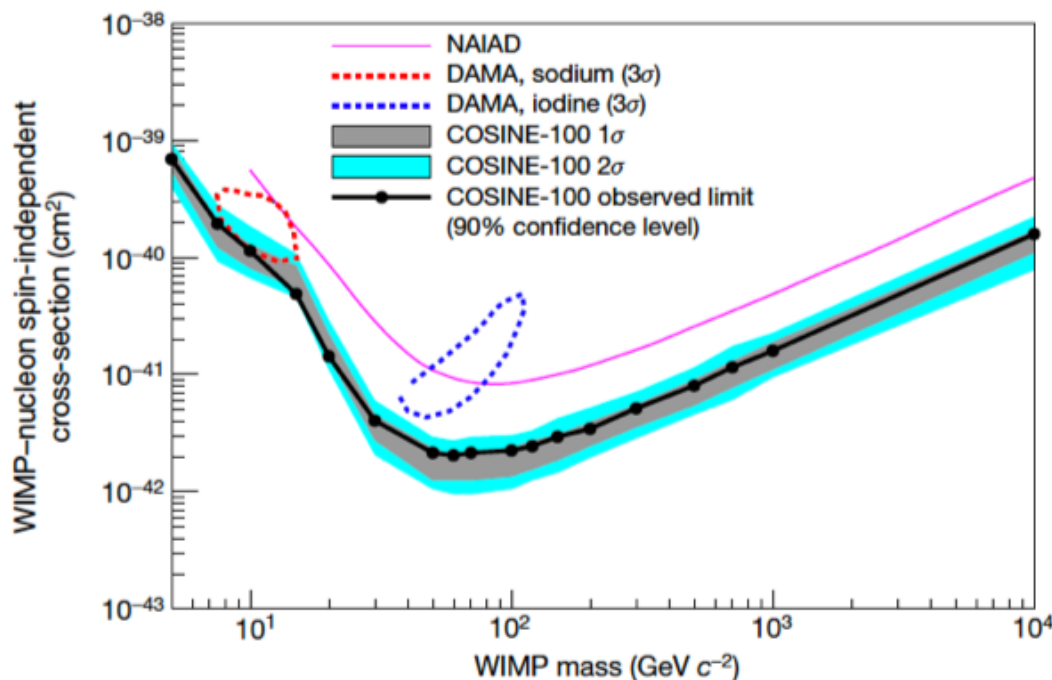
- 10 GeV,  $2.35 \times 10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2$   
WIMP-nucleon cross section
- There is no room for WIMP signal.



# Spin independent WIMP-nucleon cross section limit

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– First result constraining DAMA result with NaI crystals.

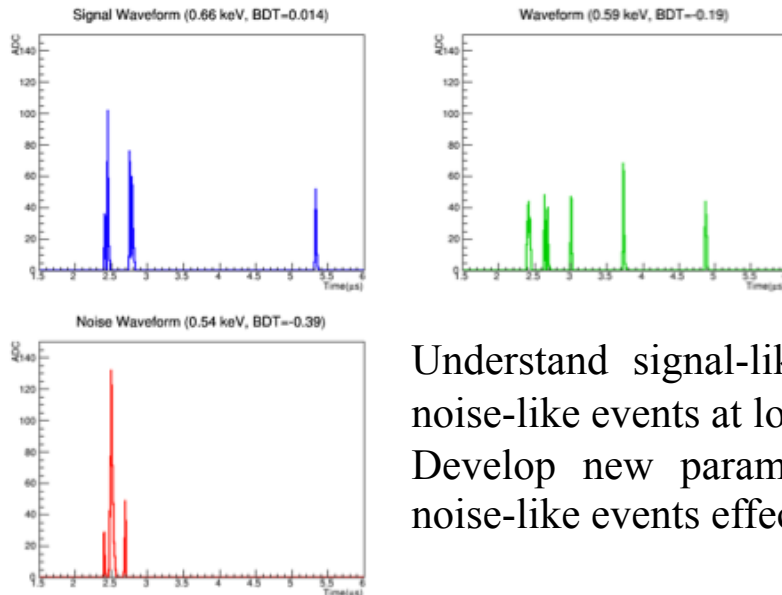
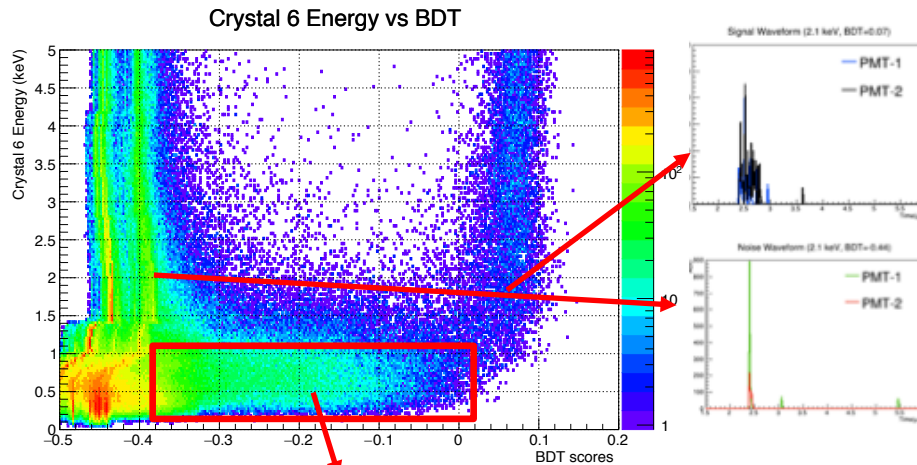


- COSINE-100 excludes DAMA/LIBRA-phase1's signal as spin-independent WIMP with Standard Halo Model.
- Consistent with null results from other direct detection experiments.

These results will generate tension for isospin violating models explaining DAMA along with null results from other experiments.

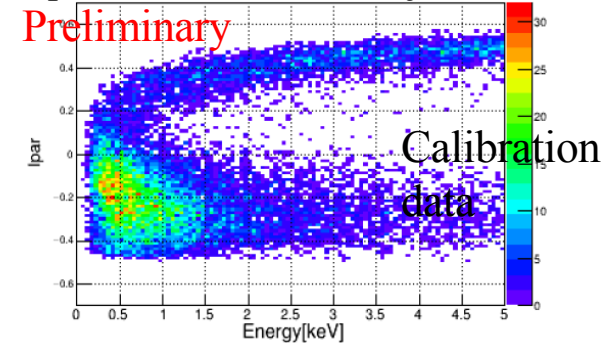
# Analysis down to 1 keV energy threshold

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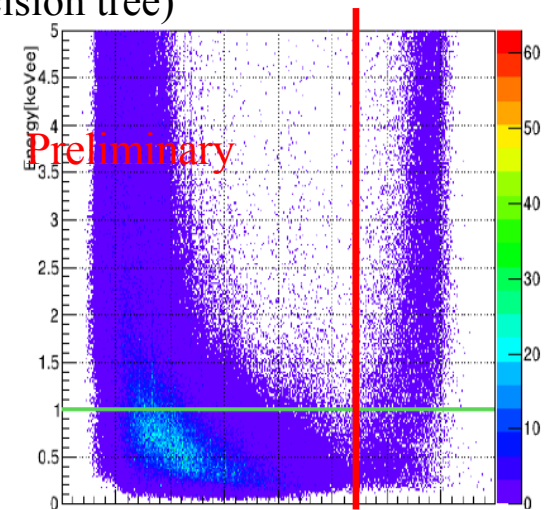


Understand signal-like events and noise-like events at low energies  
Develop new parameter to reject noise-like events effectively

Likelihood parameters for noise rejection



New parameters are used as inputs for multi-variable technique (boosted decision tree)



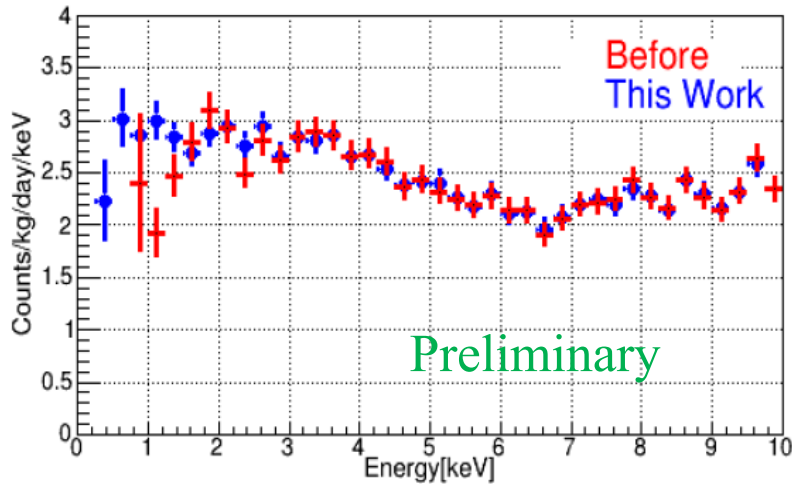
Boosted Decision Tree

See Hyunsu Lee's talk 3:20pm Tue., "NEON"

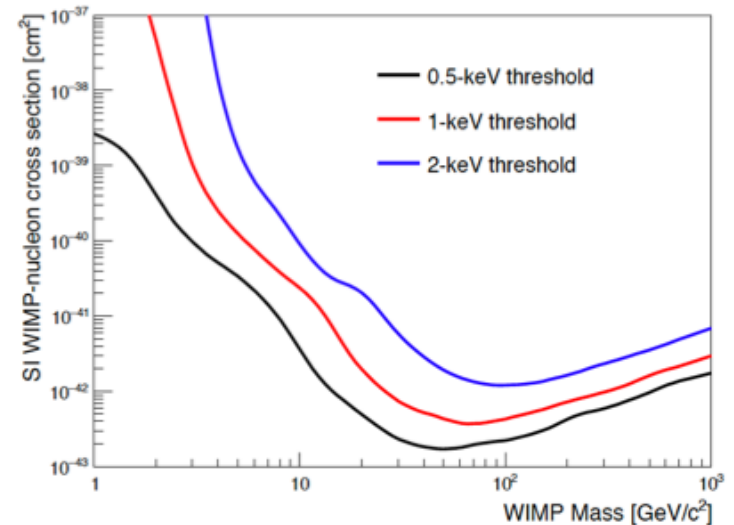
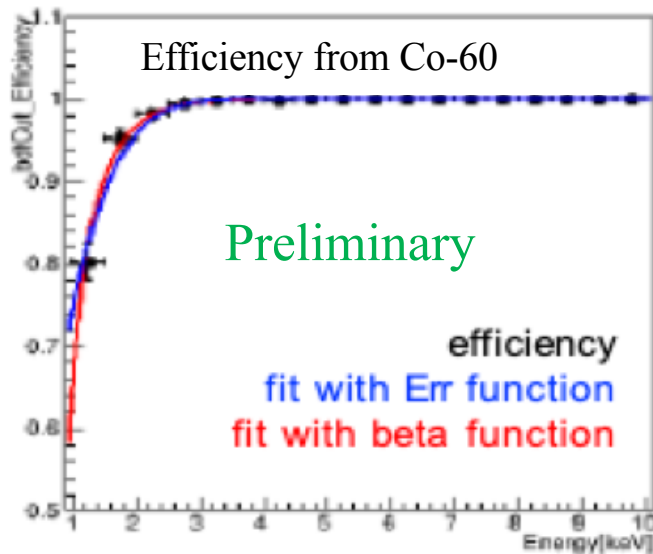
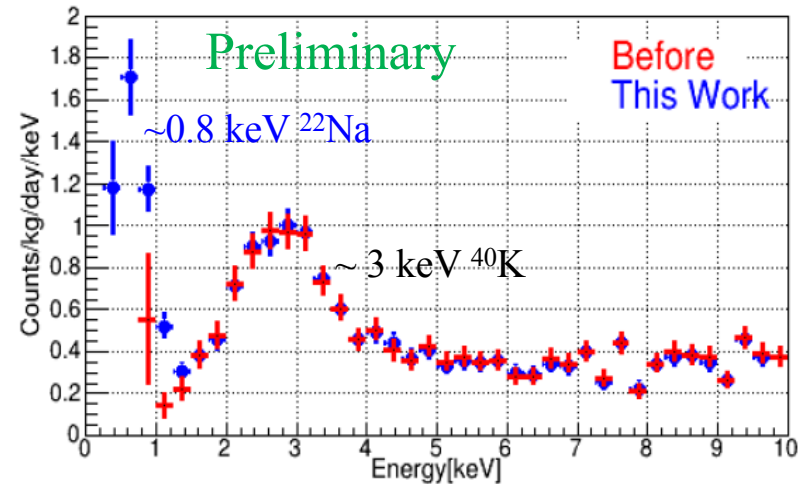


# Analysis threshold less than 1keV!

Single hit spectrum



Multiple hit spectrum

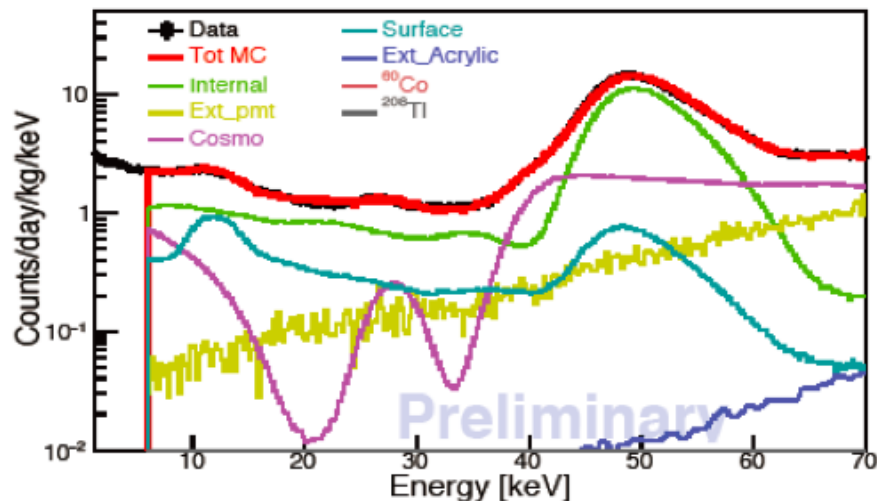


We can reduce our threshold below 1keV with high efficiency.

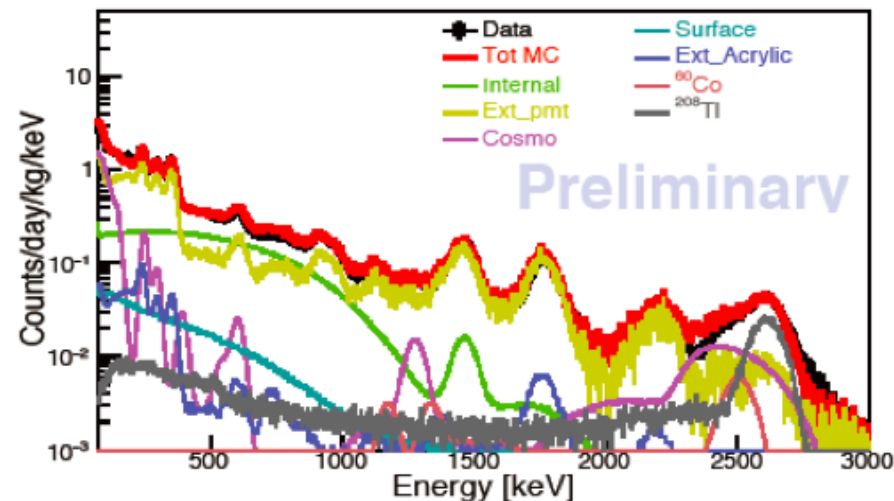
# Improving Background Modeling

## Single hit events

Background modeling for C6 [ High gain, Single Hit]



Background modeling for C6 [ Low gain, Single Hit]

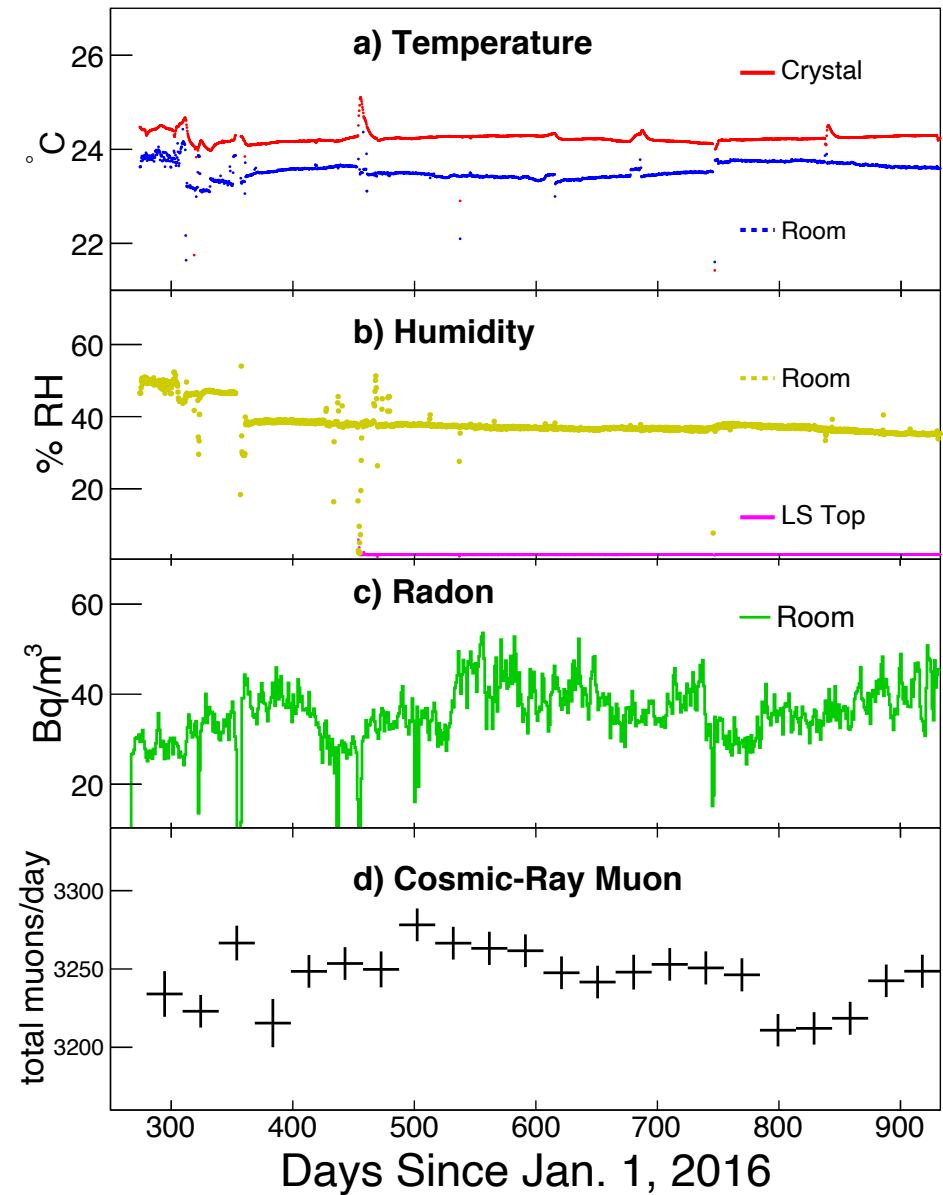


- $^{129}\text{I}$ , rock-gamma ( $^{208}\text{Tl}$ ) are added.
- Better modeling of surface  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  using contaminated crystal.
- With 1 keV threshold data, we will improve the sensitivity of SHM DM limits a few times lower than previous limits.

# Does COSINE see the same modulation ?

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- For annual modulation studies, we need absolutely stable condition for the environments and detector performance.
- $< 0.1$  °C temperature
- $< 2\%$  humidity fluctuation inside the shielding structure
- Current and voltage of detectors very stable.



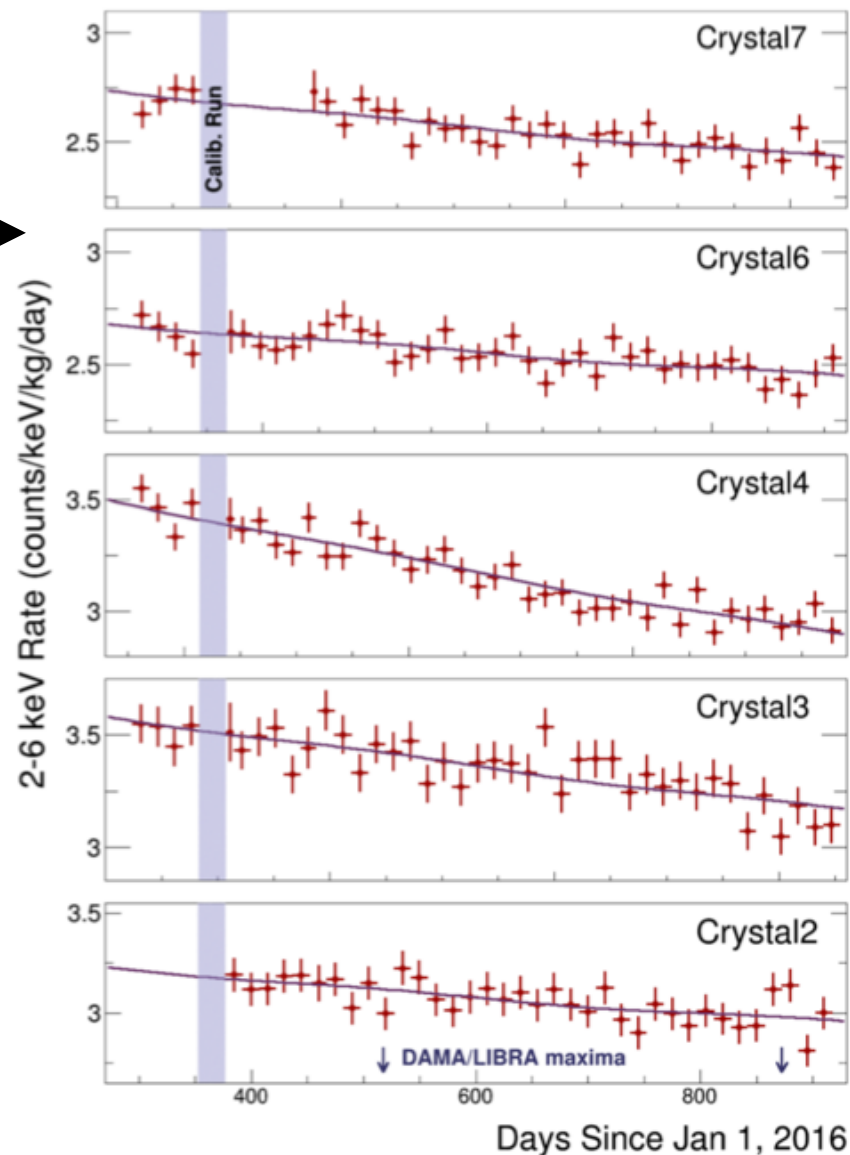


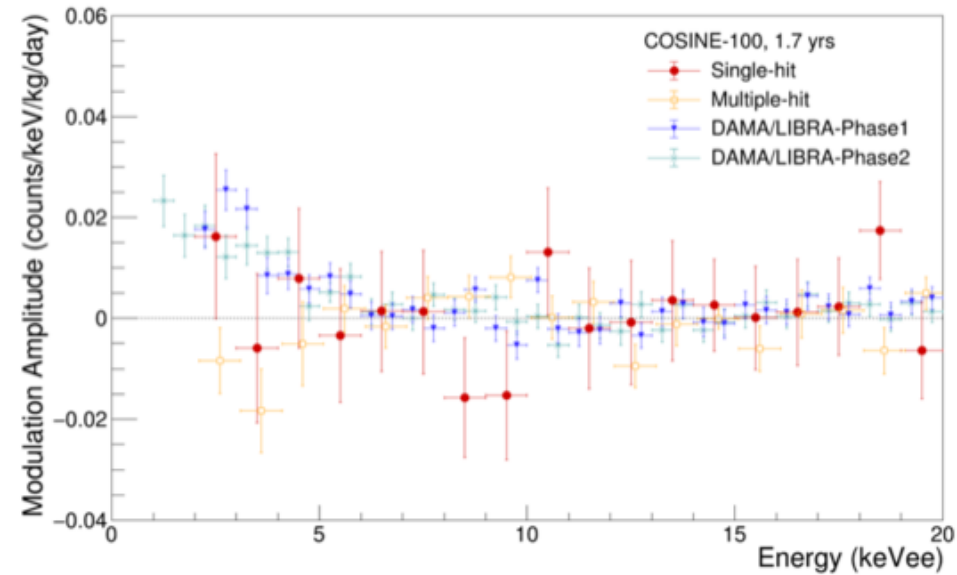
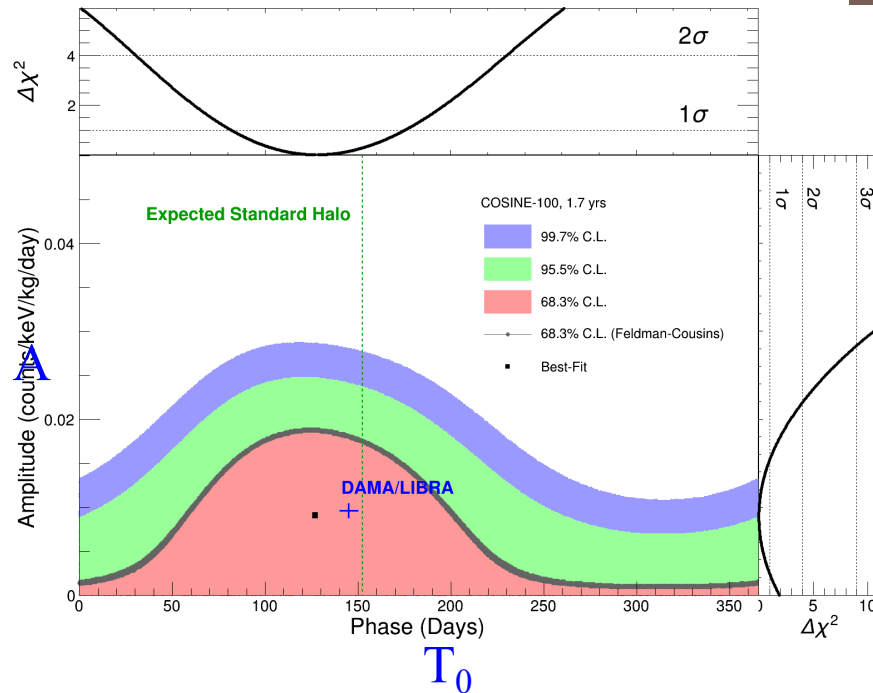
# Modulation analysis - Set 2 data

- Data : **October 21, 2016 - July 18, 2018.**
- Exposure : 97.7 kg years, 1.7 years
- Time averaged energy spectra show **2.7** **cpd/keV/kg** on average in 2-6 keV.

$$R = C + P_0 e^{\left(-\frac{\log 2 \cdot t}{P_1}\right)} + A \cos \frac{2\pi(t - t_0)}{T}$$

- Simultaneous fitting of 5 crystals.
- 15-day interval for binning.
- Gradually decreasing backgrounds due to cosmogenic isotopes inside the crystal.



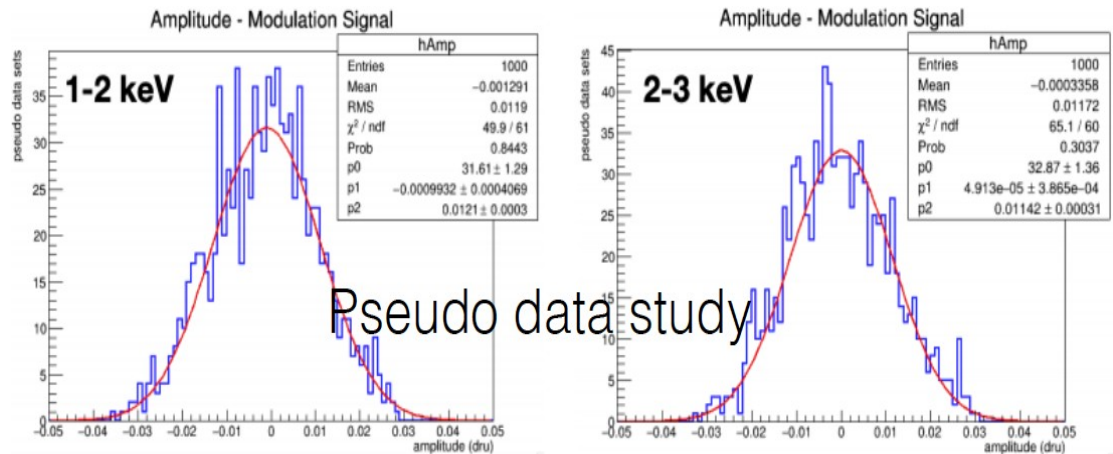


Configuration	$\chi^2$	d.o.f.	p-value	Amplitude (counts/keV/kg/day)	Phase (Days)
COSINE-100	175.3	174	0.457	$0.0092 \pm 0.0067$	$127.2 \pm 45.9$
DAMA/LIBRA (Phase1+Phase2)	—	—	—	$0.0096 \pm 0.0008$	$145 \pm 5$
COSINE-100	175.6	175	0.473	$0.0083 \pm 0.0068$	152.5 (fixed)
COSINE-100 (Without LS)	194.7	175	0.143	$0.0024 \pm 0.0071$	152.5 (fixed)
ANAIS-112	48.0	53	0.67	$-0.0044 \pm 0.0058$	152.5 (fixed)
DAMA/LIBRA (Phase1+Phase2)	71.8	101	0.988	$0.0095 \pm 0.0008$	152.5 (fixed)

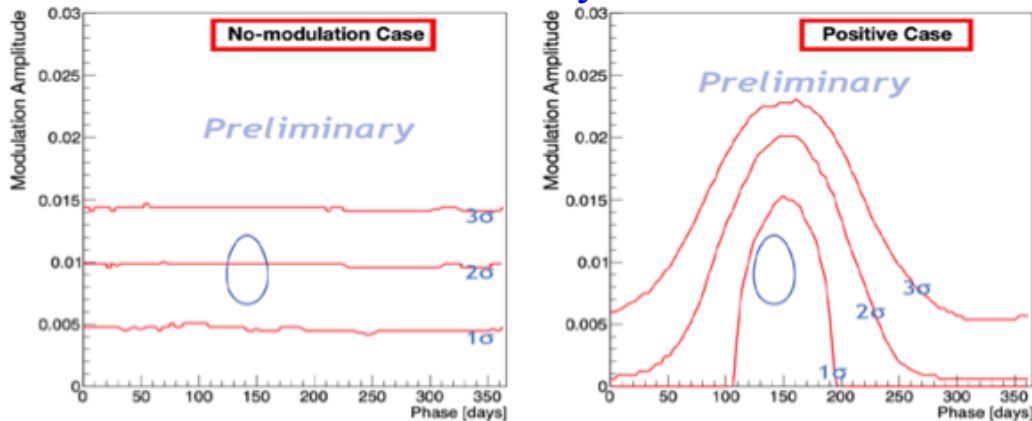
COSINE-100 data is consistent with both Null/DAMA modulation w/ 68% CL.

# Improvements in analysis

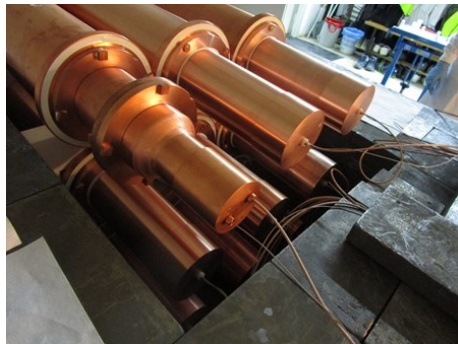
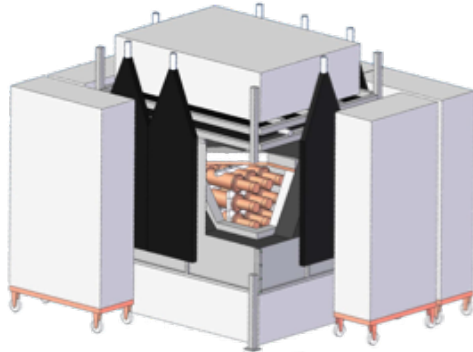
- ~3 years data at present with 1keV energy threshold.
- Improved event selection (Better selection efficiency)
- Realistic pseudo experiments for validity is in final stage.
- It is close to opening the box.



Sensitivity





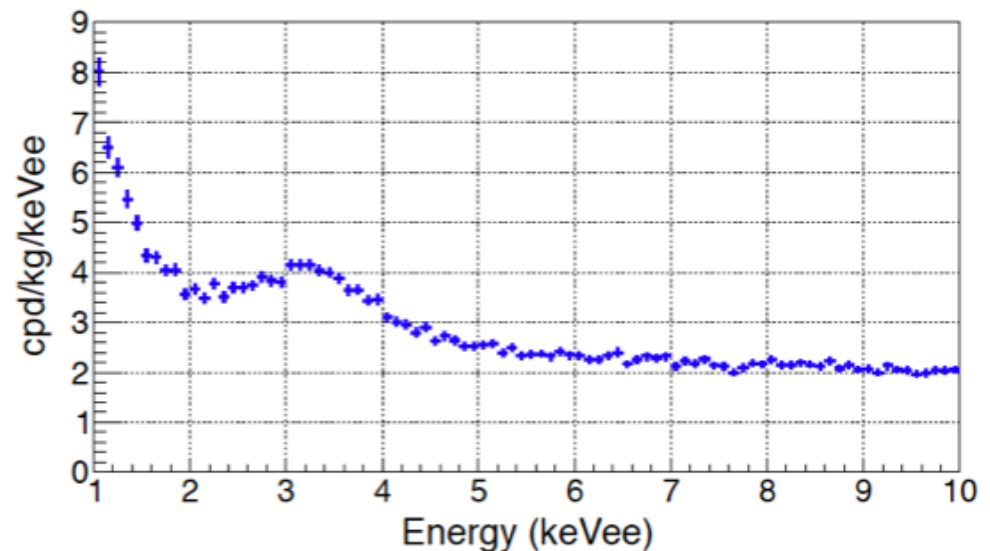


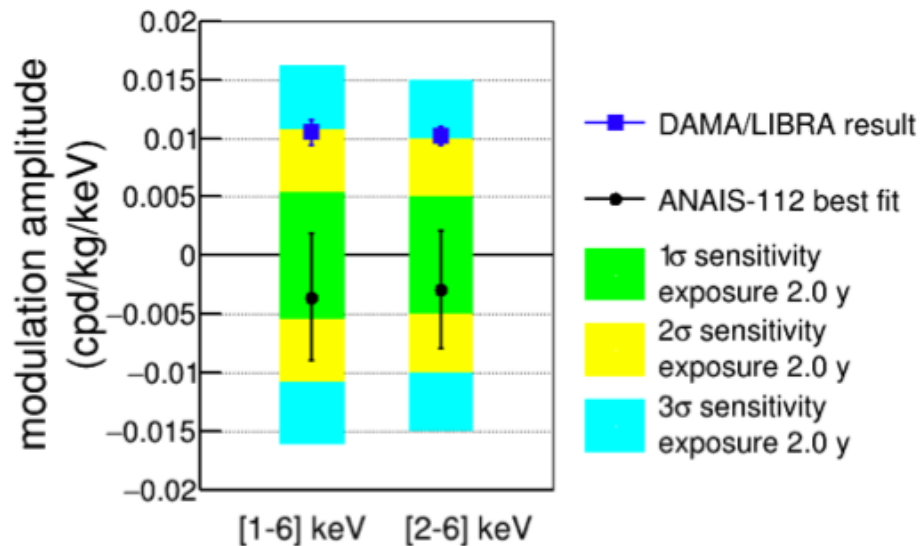
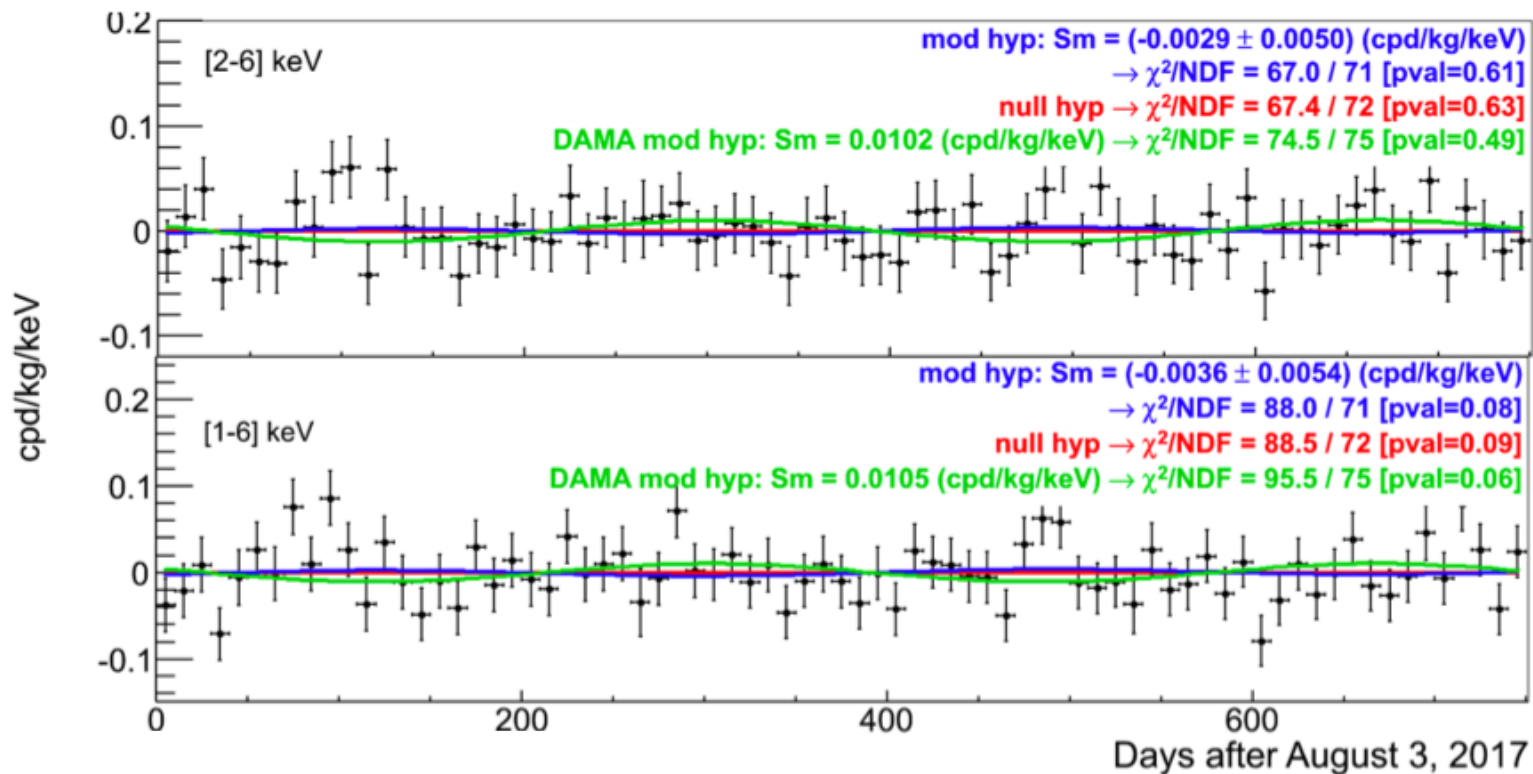
- Runs at Canfranc, Spain
- No LS veto.
- 9X12.5kg → 112.5 kg
- Data taken from Aug. 2017
- 220.69 kg·yrs data

## All crystals from Alpha Spectra

Detector	Quality powder	Date of arrival at Canfranc
D0, D1	<90 ppb K	December 2012
D2	WIMPScint-II	March 2015
D3	WIMPScint-III	March 2016
D4, D5	WIMPScint-III	November 2016
D6, D7, D8	WIMPScint-III	March 2017

## Total averaged low energy spectrum





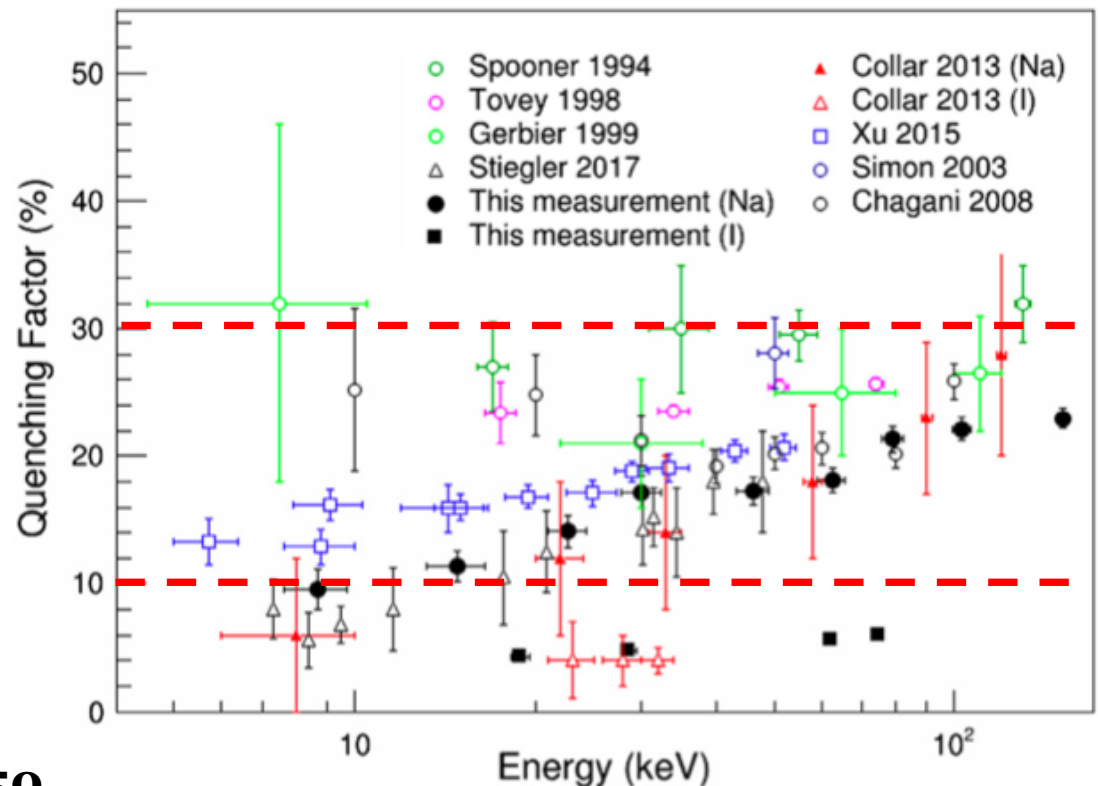
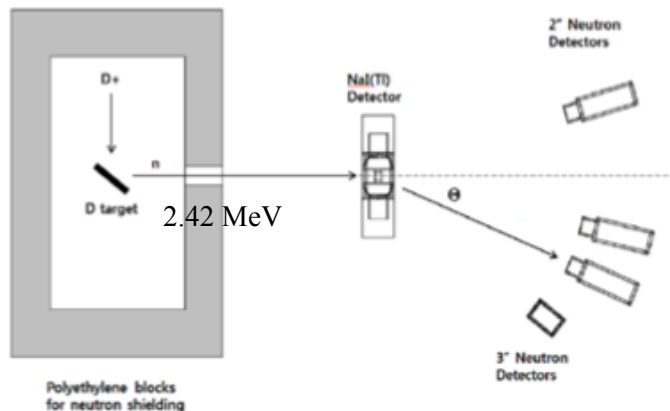
- The sensitivity to test DAMA with 2 years data reaches 2 sigma.
- 5 years data will be over 3 sigma.

# New Quenching Factors for Na, I

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- Quenching factor is the ratio between electronic and nuclear recoil signals for the same energy deposition.
- New quenching factors are significantly smaller than the values used by DAMA group.

D-D neutron generator





# Comments on quenching factor measurements

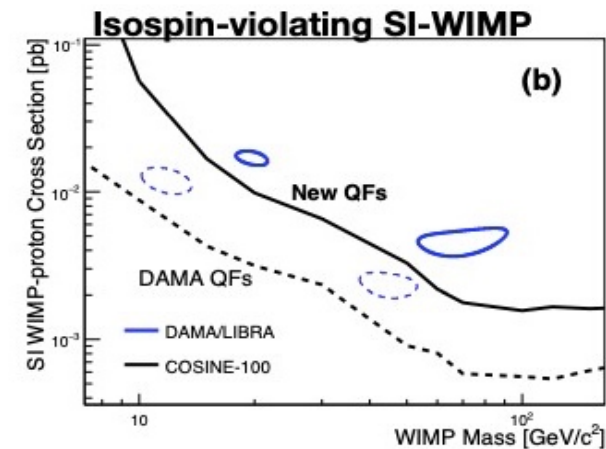
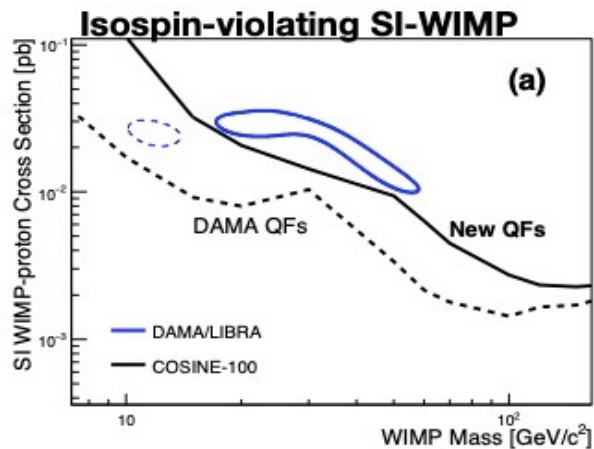
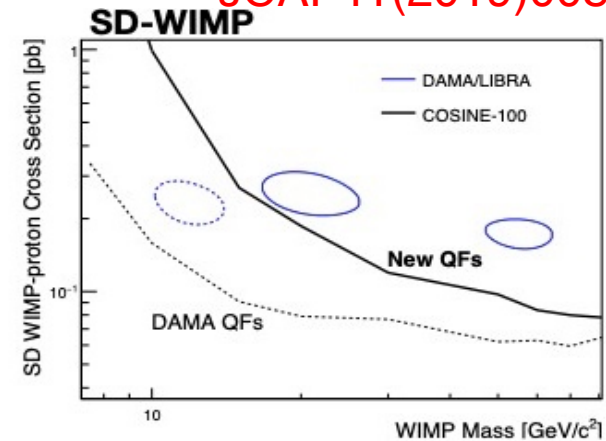
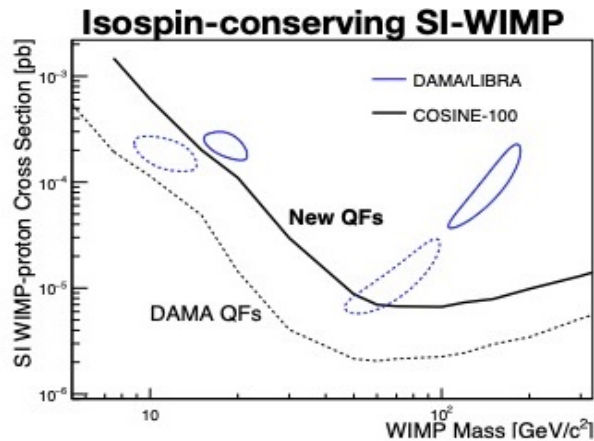
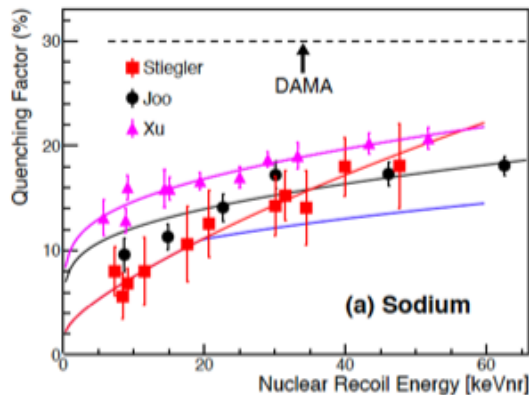
- Quenching factor measurements are delicate and spread widely.
- It is critical to compare different experimental data.
- Old data, data with lower photoelectron yields have higher QF.
- Need to confirm with more measurements.

Paper	Year	Crystal				PMT	Effi.	Neutron	LY
		Supplier	Size	Method	Doping				
			cm		ppm			MeV	Pe/keV
Spooner	1994		2.5(D)x2.5		~1000	EM19924B	N	DD, 3.2-5.5	
Tovey	1998	Hilger	2.5x2.5		1000	ETL9266A	N	DD, 2.85	
Gervier	1999	Crismatec	2.5x2.5			2232 RTC	N	$^7\text{Li}(p, 1.3, 3.3)$	9
Simon	2002		2.5(D)x2.5				N	$P(^7\text{Li}, 2.1)$	
Chagani	2008		5(D)x5.4			ETL9265KB	N	DD, 2.45	5.1
Collar	2013	Amcrys	1.7x1.7x2.7	Choch	700	R7600U-200	Y	DD, 2.2	20
Xu	2015	RMD	2.5x2.5x2.5	Brid		R6233	Y	$^7\text{Li}(p, 0.69)$	18.2
Stiegler	2017							$^7\text{Li}(p,$	27-30
Ju	2019	AS	2x2x1.5	Stuck	?	R12669SEL	Y	DD, 2.45	14

# Parameter space with new quenching factor

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New quenching factors applied to DAMA data with systematics.



- Interpretation with SI and SD WIMP in SHM via new QF measurements.
- The parameter spaces are moved to higher regions with the new QFs.
- COSINE-100 data incompatible with DAMA signal region.

# COSINE-200 (Phase-II)

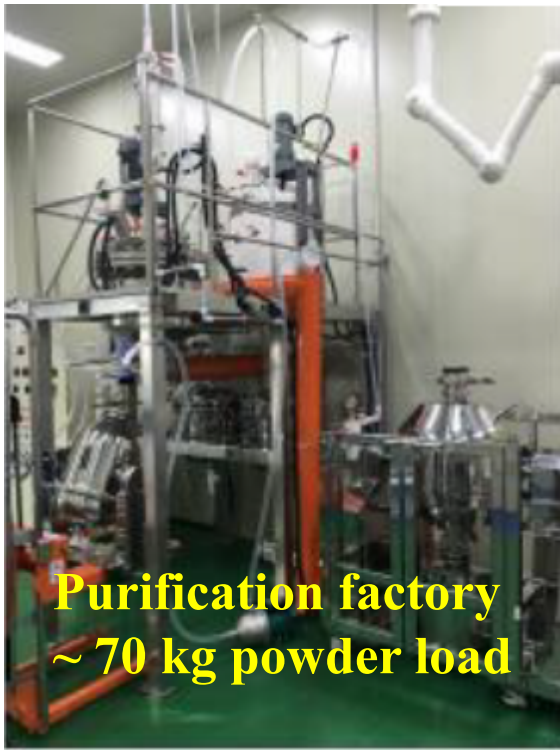
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- COSINE will go for lower background crystals for next phase.
- Powder purification/crystal growing/detector assembly are going on at IBS, Korea.

K.A. Shin et al., J. Rad. Nucl. Chem. 317, 1329 (2018)

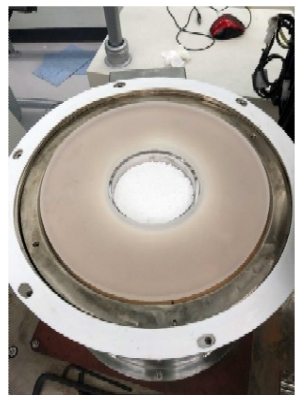
## Powder purification performance

	K (ppb)	Pb (ppb)	U (ppb)	Th (ppb)
Initial NaI	248	19.0	<0.01	<0.01
Purified NaI	<16	0.4	<0.01	<0.01

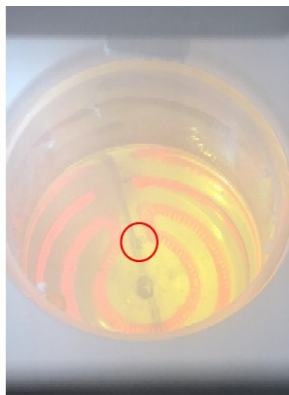


# Crystals grown at CUP

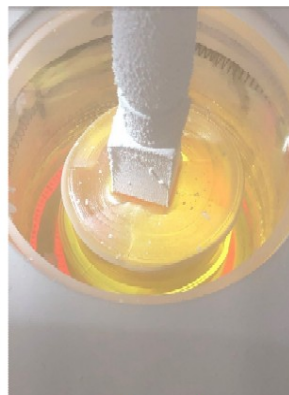
**Solution : Quartz cover & new refractory avoids Pb contamination !**



<Quartz cover>



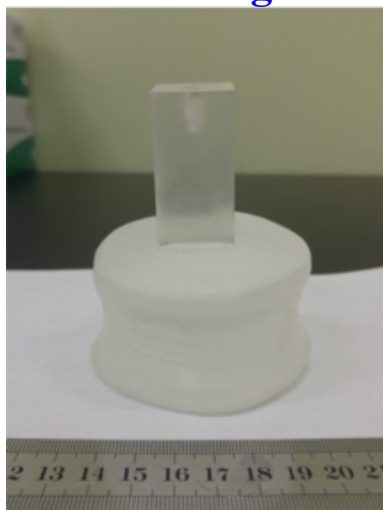
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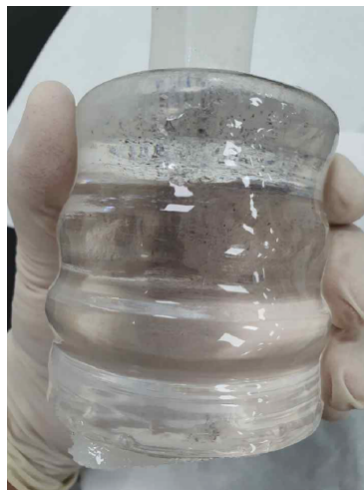
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	K (ppb)	Pb (ppb)
Powder	<14	<300
Fume(old refractory)	1021000	10407
Fume(new refractory)	320	25
Mar/2019(NaI-024)	740	6
Sept/2019(NaI-034)	8	0.4
Nov/2019(NaI-035)	13	2

2018/Aug



2019/Sept



2019/Nov



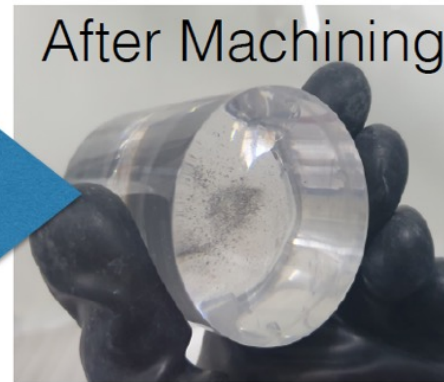


# Crystal machining & detector assembly @ CUP

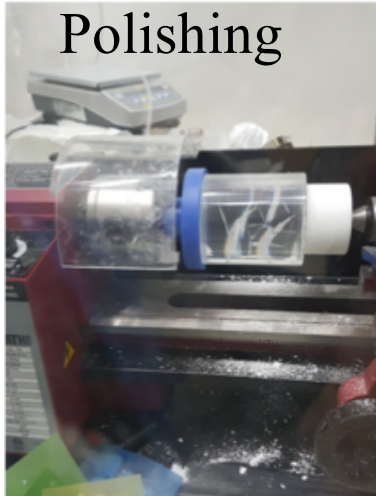
## Machining



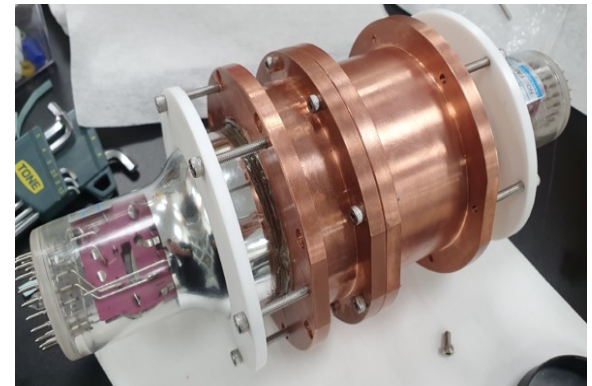
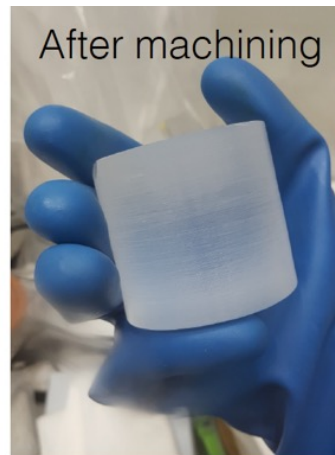
## NaI-034 (Sept/2019)



## Polishing



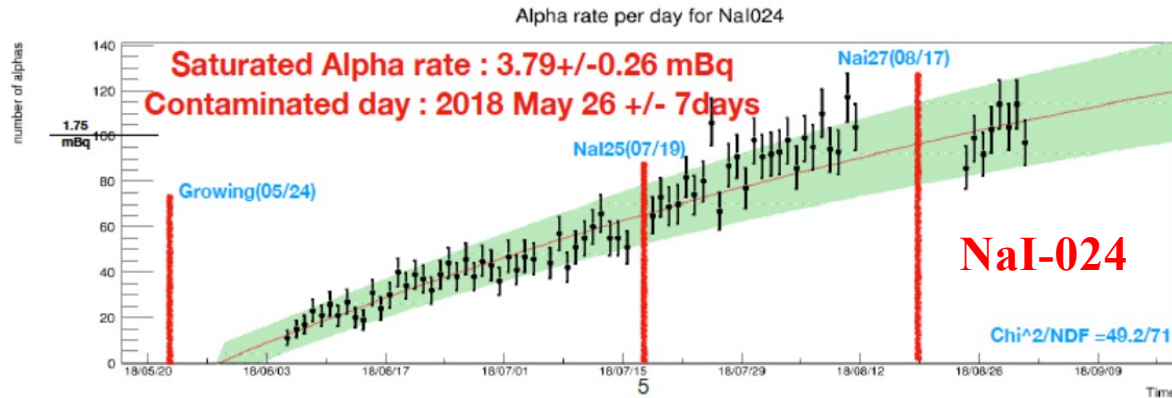
## NaI-035 (Nov/2019)



# Underground measurements

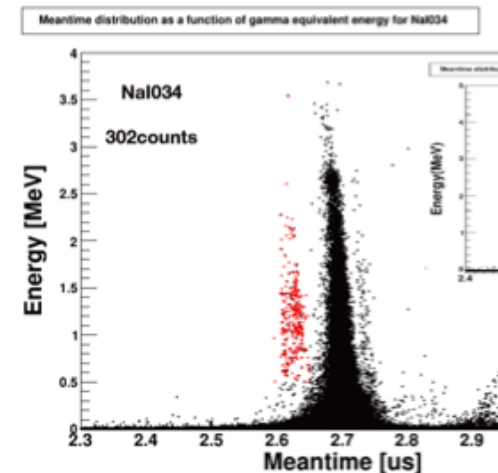
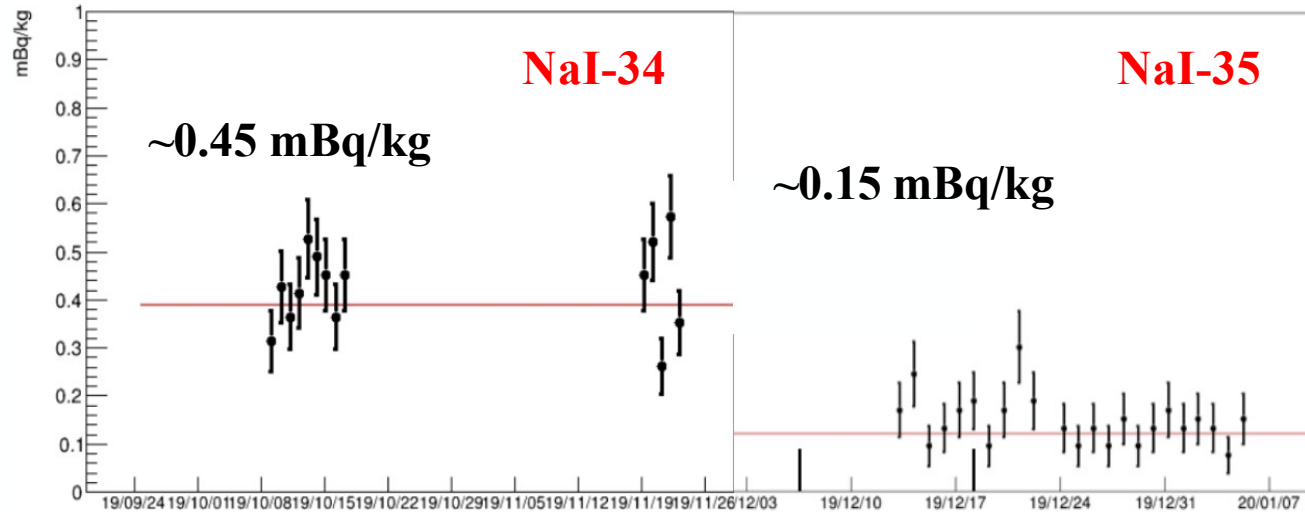
Most of alpha from  $^{210}\text{Po}$

Preliminary



Alpha rate per day for NaI034

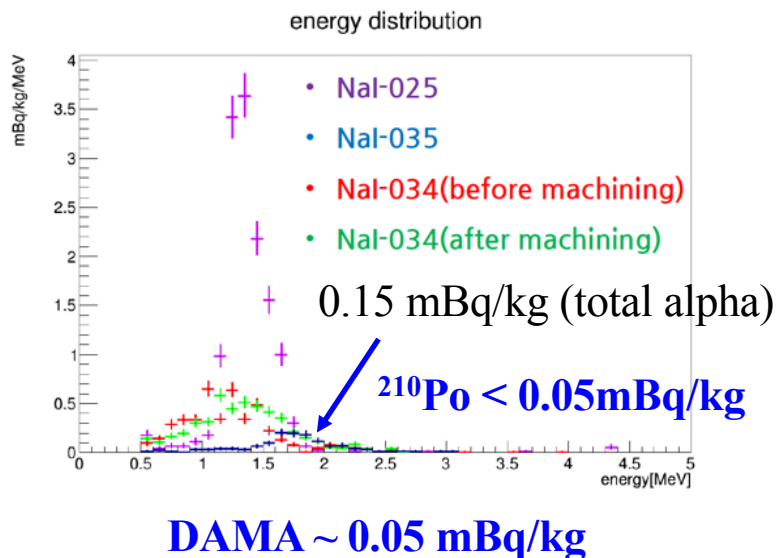
Alpha rate per day for NaI035



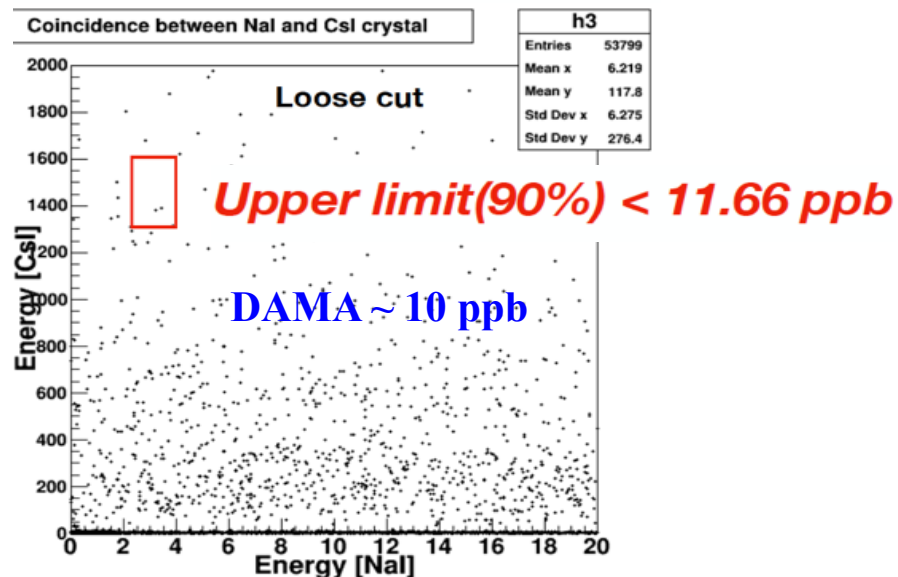
New crystals seem to have very low  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  contamination.

# Underground measurement (NaI-035)

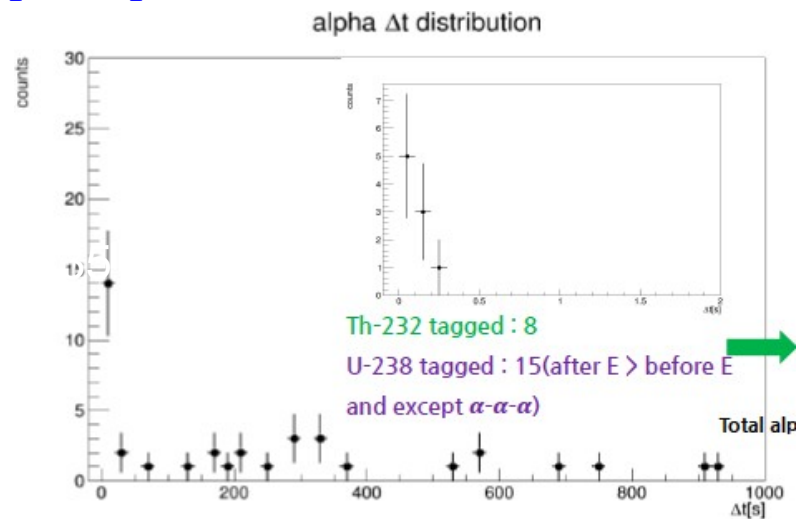
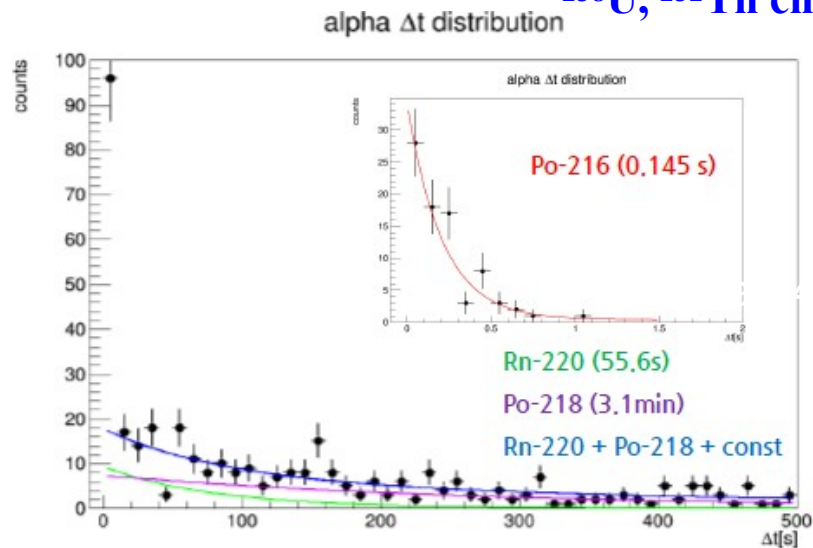
$^{210}\text{Pb}$



$^{40}\text{K}$



$^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{232}\text{Th}$  chain, alpha-alpha coincidence



# Underground measurement (NaI-035)

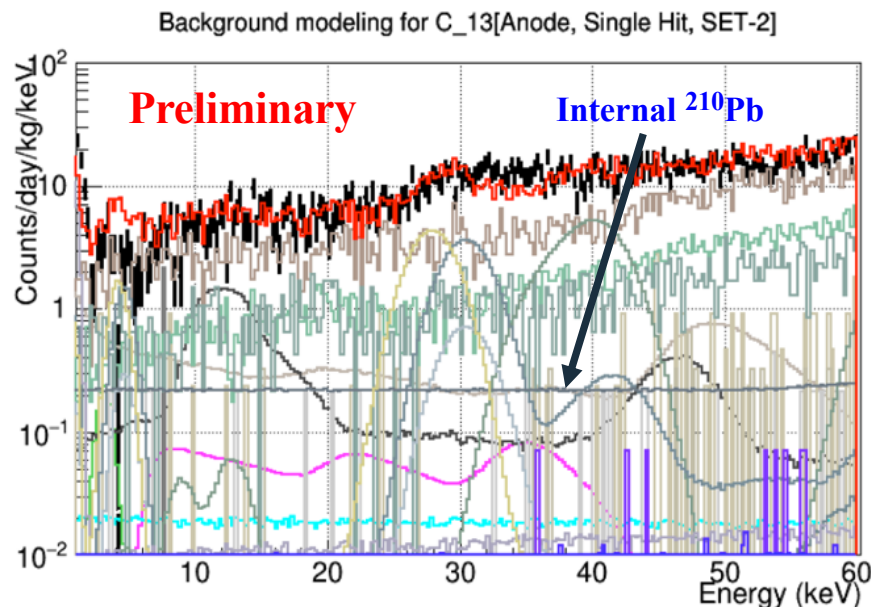
Preliminary

Crystal	Mass (kg)	Light (pe/keV)	$^{232}\text{Th}$ (mBq/kg)	$^{238}\text{U}$ (mBq/kg)	$^{210}\text{Po}$ (mBq/kg)	$^{40}\text{K}$ (ppb)
NaI-034	0.666	$\sim 8.6$	0.124	0.246	$<0.07$	$<11.7$
<b>NaI-035</b>	<b>0.613</b>	<b><math>\sim 11.0</math></b>	<b>0.025</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b><math>&lt;0.08</math></b>	<b><math>&lt;17.0</math></b>

**DAMA**

**0.05**

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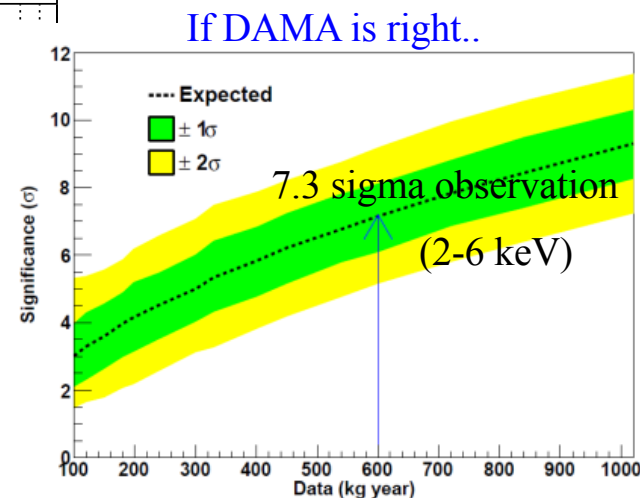
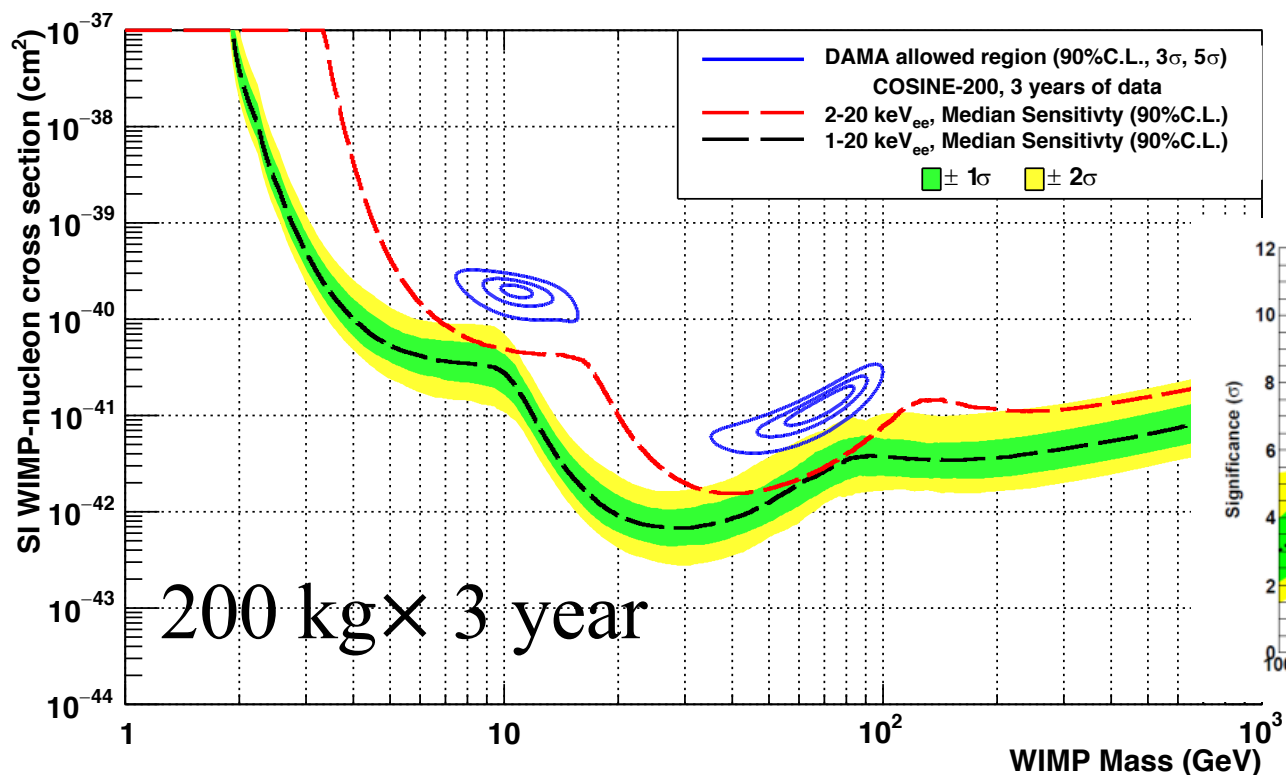
- We achieved **level of DAMA/LIBRA**
  - $<0.5$  dru seems to be achieved!!
- External & cosmogenic are dominant components
  - This will be reduced with full-sized detector & COSINE shield
- Need to optimize Tl concentration

**Both  $^{40}\text{K}$  and  $^{210}\text{Po}$  are low for the recently grown crystal, well controlled growing environment !!  $\rightarrow$  Ready to grow Big crystals,  $\sim 100$  kg.**



# COSINE-200 sensitivity (Modulation)

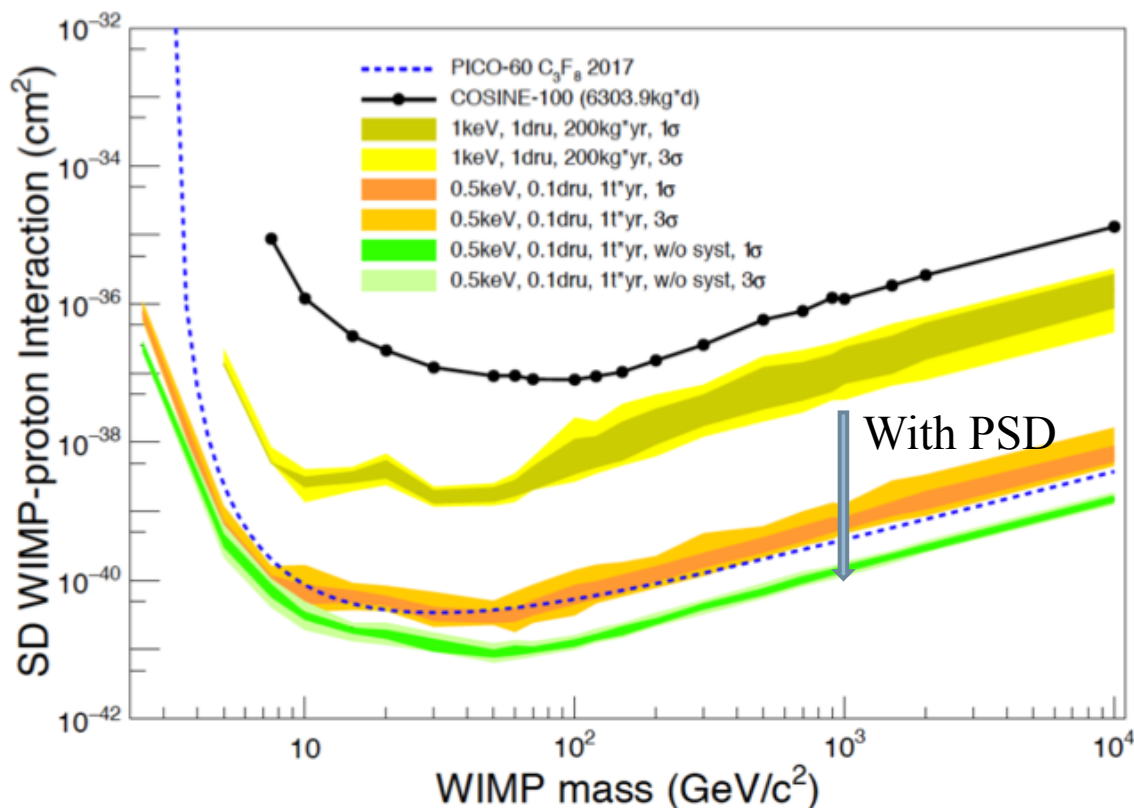
- Background  $\leq 1$  dru, threshold  $\leq 1$  keV are achievable goal.
- Hope to close in DAMA/LIBRA conundrum in 3 years.
- This should be model independent check for DAMA/LIBRA signal regardless of kinds of interactions.



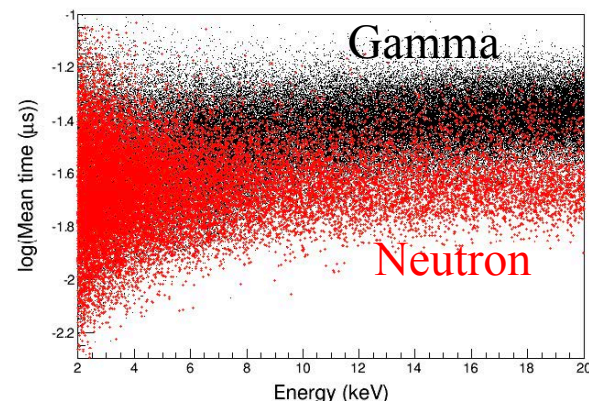
# Further .. in addition to checking DAMA/LIBRA signal

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- NaI(Tl) crystal is a unique target for WIMP-proton interaction except PICO.
- We can compete with next generation PICO experiment both at a few GeV WIMPs and high mass WIMPs with PSD.



Good PSD at high energy with NaI(Tl) crystals



# Summary

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- **COSINE-100 experiment ;**
  - has been running smoothly for more than 3 years.
  - rejects DAMA/LIBRA results within the SHM.
  - will soon present new modulation and background results with 1 keV threshold.
- **COSINE collaboration ;**
  - has successfully produced NaI crystals with lower  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  &  $^{40}\text{K}$  backgrounds for COSINE-200.
  - is confident in finding out the cause of DAMA/LIBRA modulation signal with new detectors.

**Stay tuned, new results are coming soon !!**