

The first results of the XENON1T

on behalf of the XENON collaboration

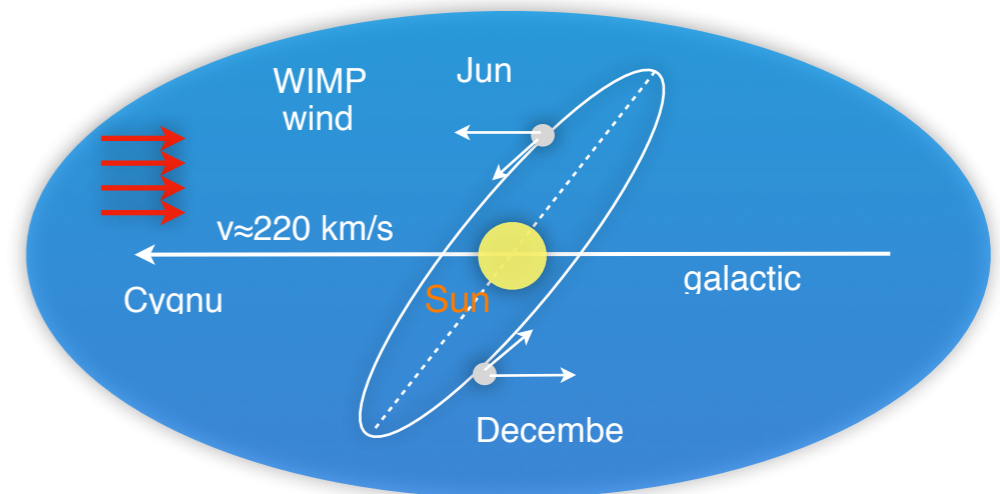


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Dark Matter detection with LXe TPC

Some information about physics aspects

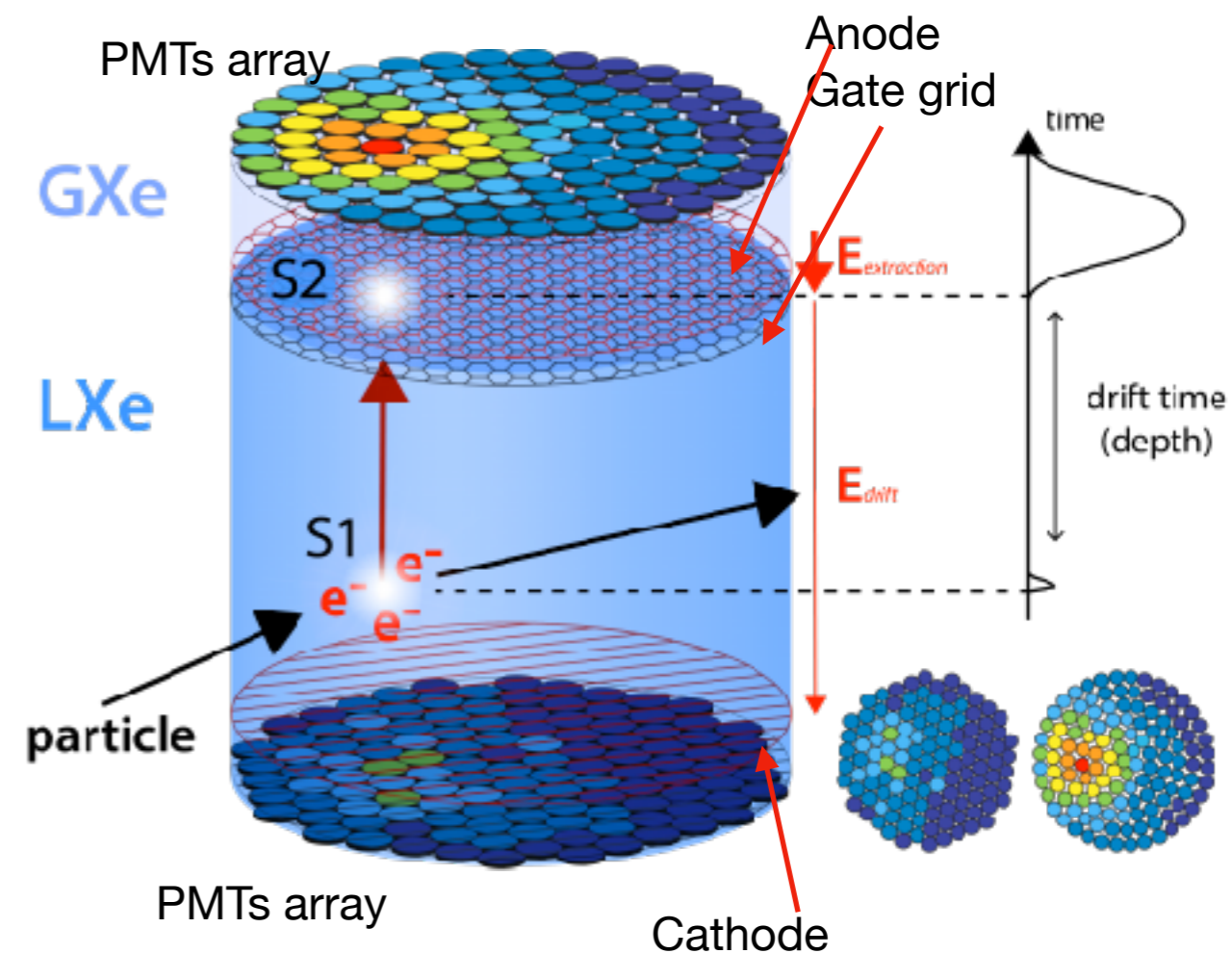
XENON1T is an Earth-based detector that realizes a Dark Matter direct search by measuring scattering between possible remnant particles foreseen in many theoretical frameworks, like WIMPs, and detector targets.



Most relevant measurable variables:

- low energy release in the target
- rate modulation because of the WIMP wind (expected to be
- few % above background).

- **Prompt scintillation light S1**
- **Ionization electron** drift to the top of the TPC
- Strong field extracts electrons to gaseous phase
Linear light amplification \rightarrow proportional to charge signal S2
- **X, Y** position \rightarrow S2 hit pattern
- **Z** position \rightarrow electron drift time
- Energy \rightarrow S1, S2 integral
- **Electron/Nuclear recoil discrimination** \rightarrow S2/S1
 - **WIMP** (NR), **background** (mostly ER)



Historical path of the XENON collaboration

XENON10



2005-2007
 15 cm drift TPC -25 kg
 14 kg instrumented
 5.4 fiducial
Achieved 2007
 Limit $\sigma_{SI}=8.8 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$

XENON100



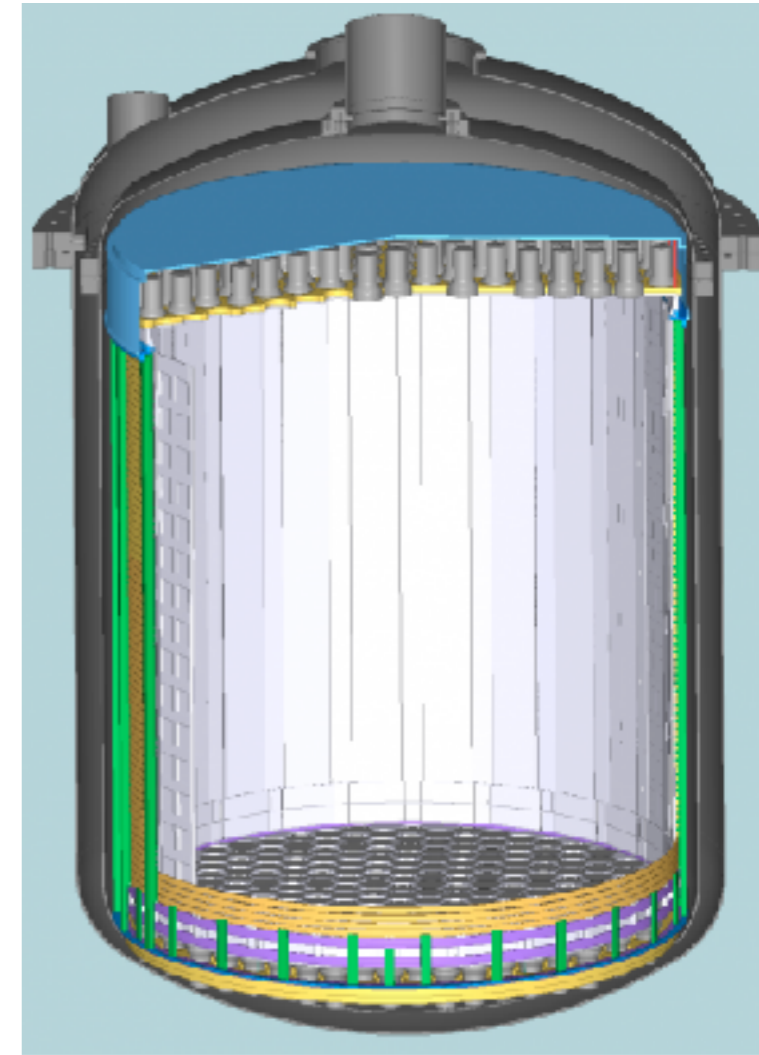
2008-2016
 30 cm drift TPC -161 kg
 62 kg instrumented
 34/48 kg fiducial
Achieved 2016
 Limit $\sigma_{SI}=1.1 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$

XENON1T



2015-2018
 97 cm drift TPC 3200 kg
 2000 kg instrumented
 1000 kg fiducial
Projected 2018
 Limit $\sigma_{SI}=1.6 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$

XENONnT



2019-2023
 144 cm drift TPC 8000 kg
 6500 kg instrumented
 5000 kg fiducial
Projected 2018 /2023
 Limit $\sigma_{SI}=1.6 \times 10^{-48} \text{ cm}^2$

2005

2010

2015

2020

XENON1T TPC

installed in its cryostat which is hosted in the Muon Veto detector

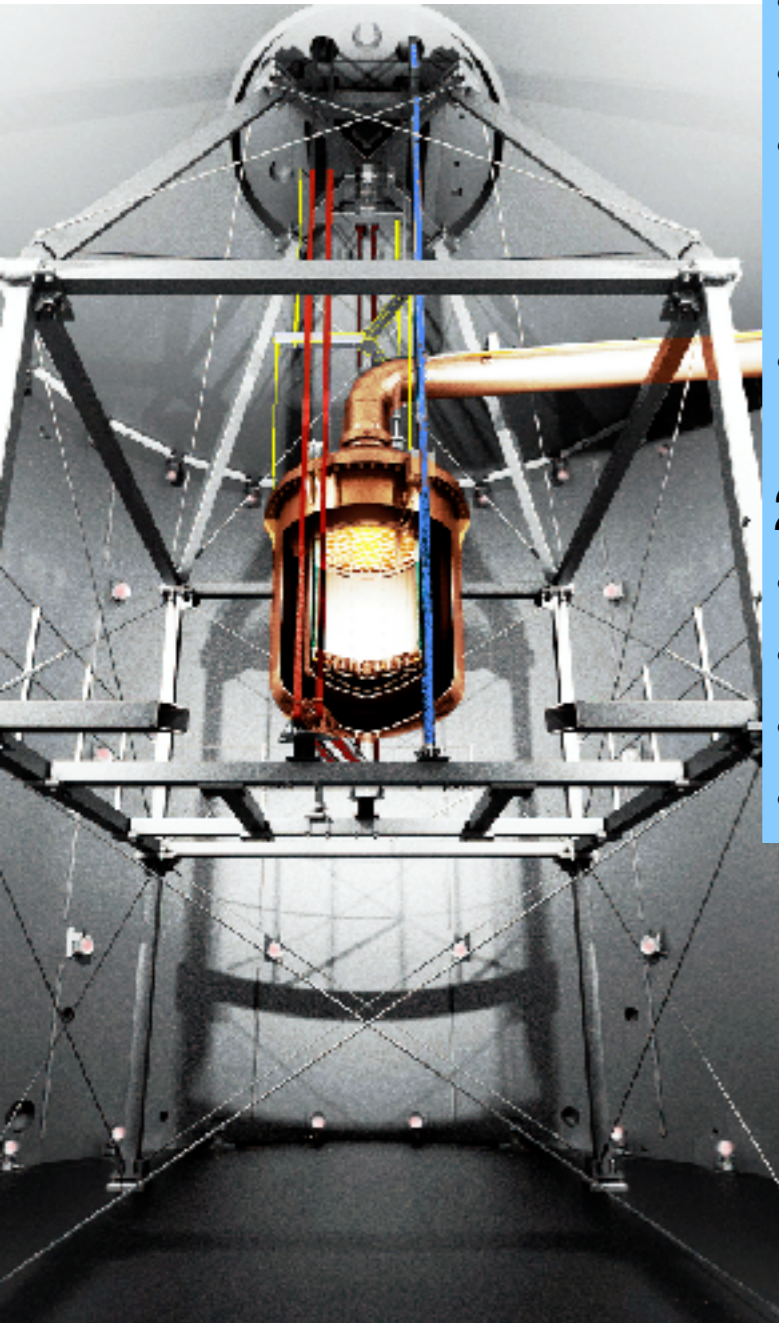
TPC Design

- Located at LNGS Italy, (3600 m.w.e)
- 3.2 t (total) 2.0 t (target) mass
- Inner side of the field cage(except PMTs) covered by high-reflectivity PTFE
- Field cage 1 x 1 meters

248 Hamamatsu R11410, PMTs

- Low radioactive background
- Developed with Hamamatsu
- QE 34% @ 178 nm
- Average gain 5×10^6 @ 1500 V

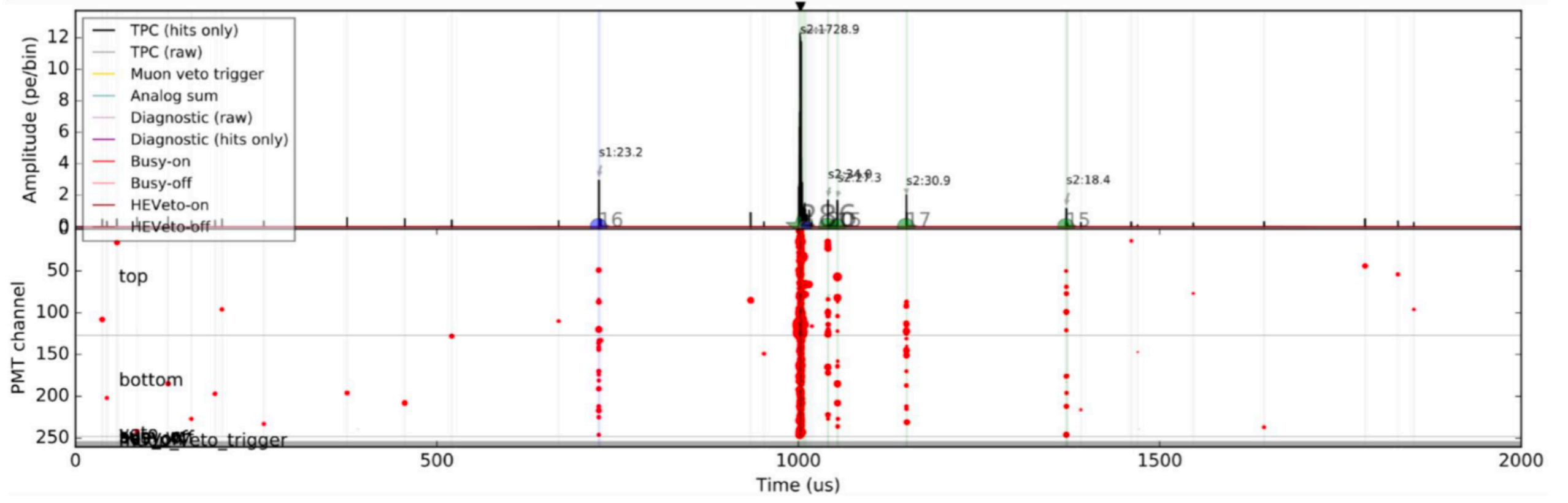
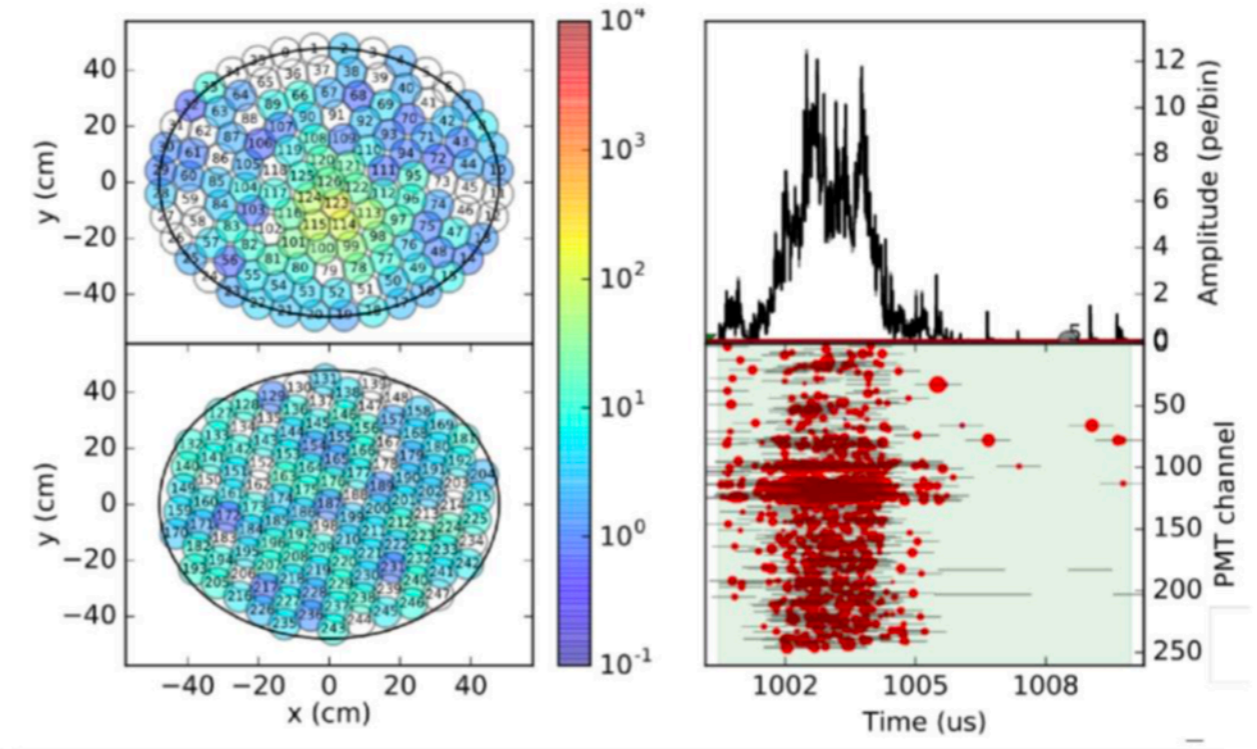
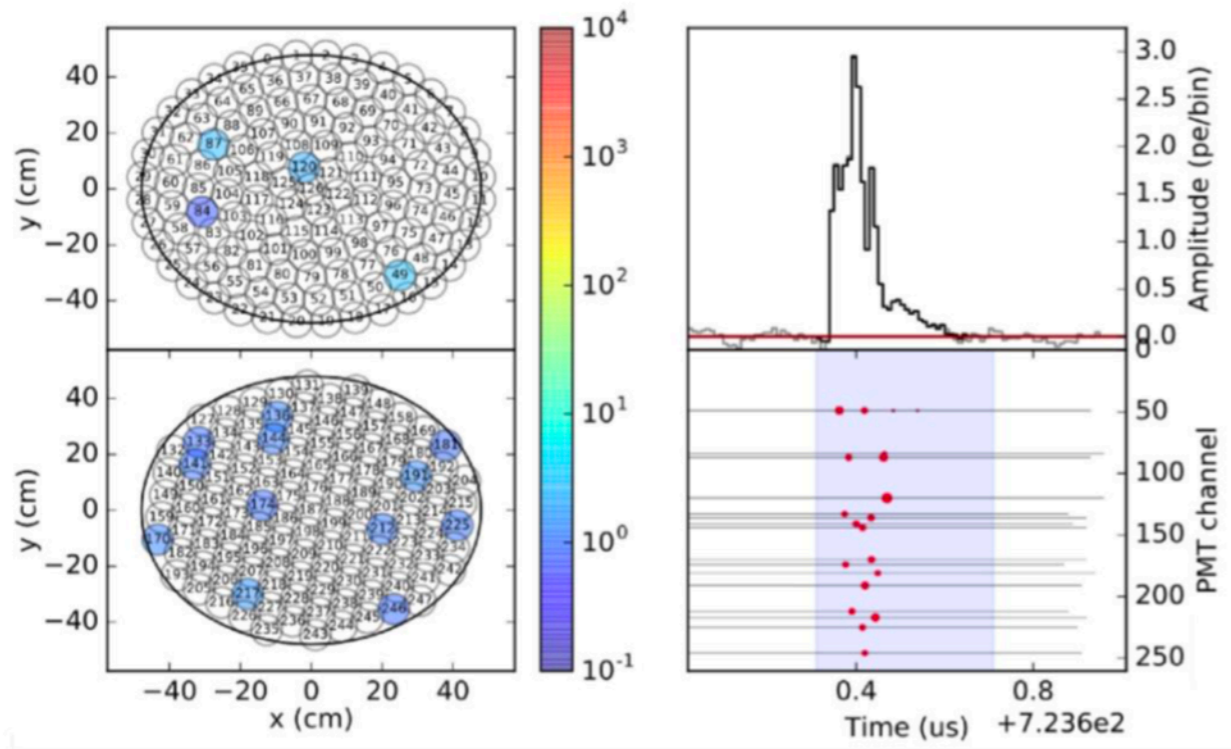
See XENON Collaboration (E. Aprile et al.,)
Eur. Phys J. C75 (2015) 11, 546



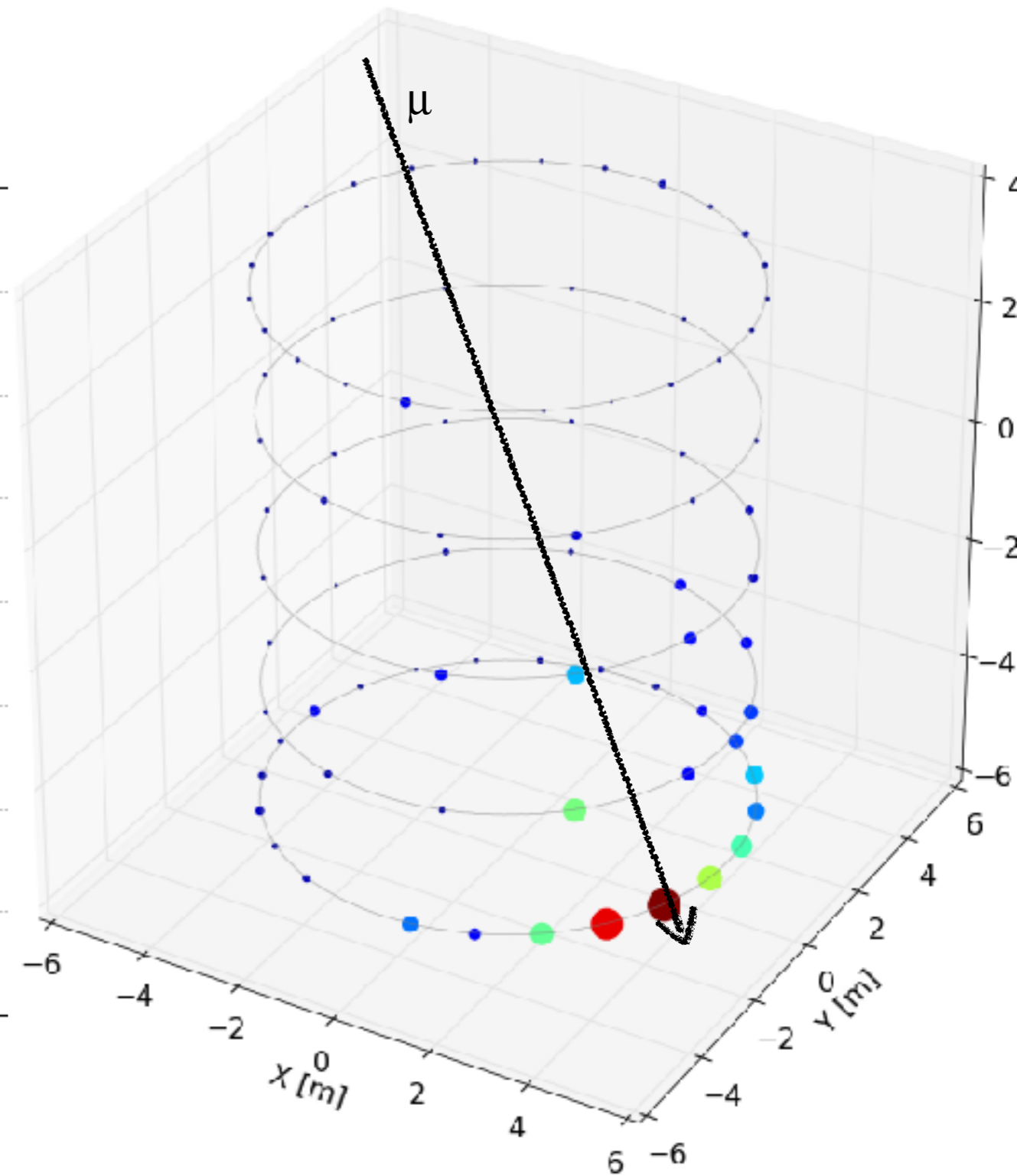
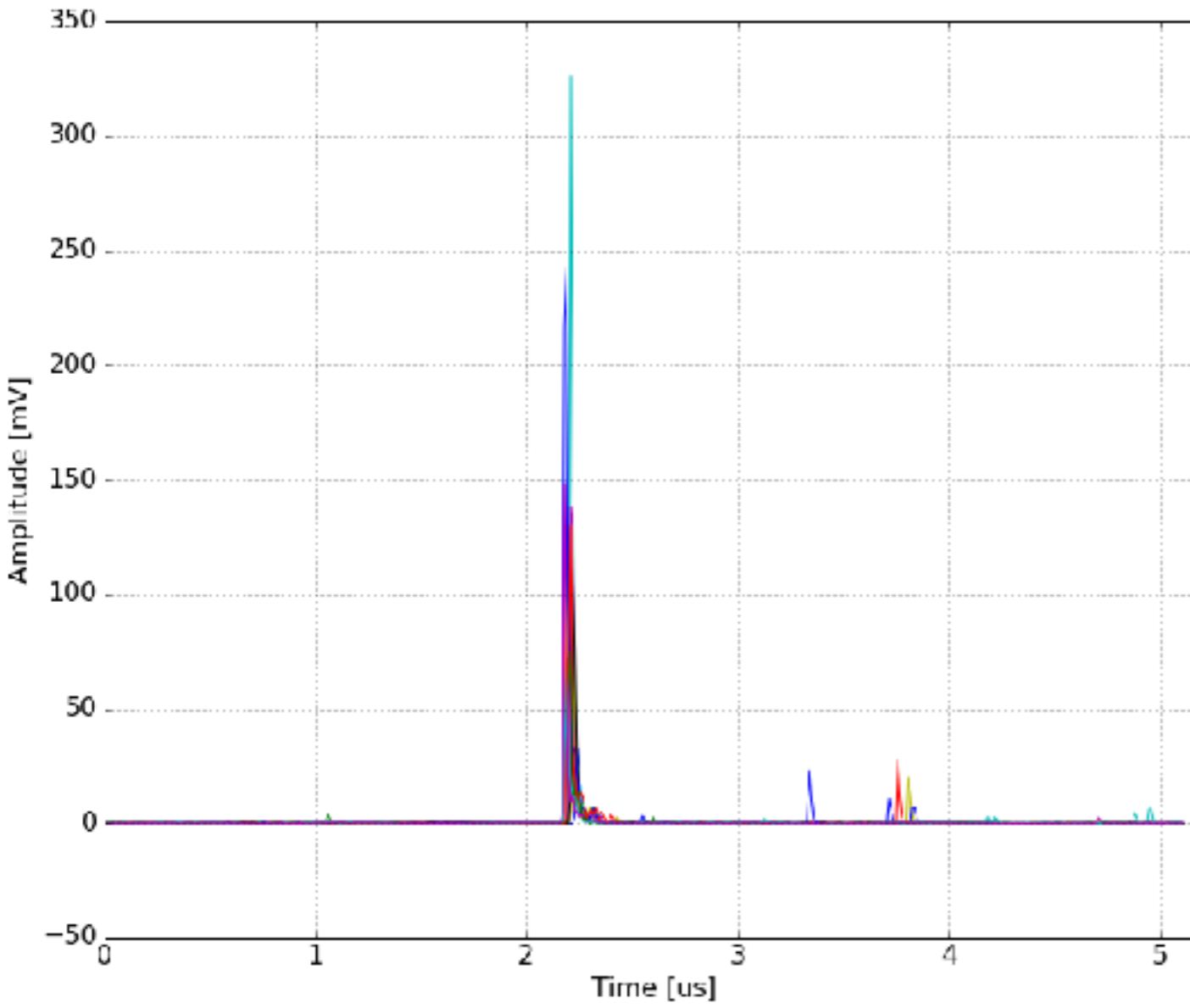
Typical event in XENON1T TPC

S1

S2

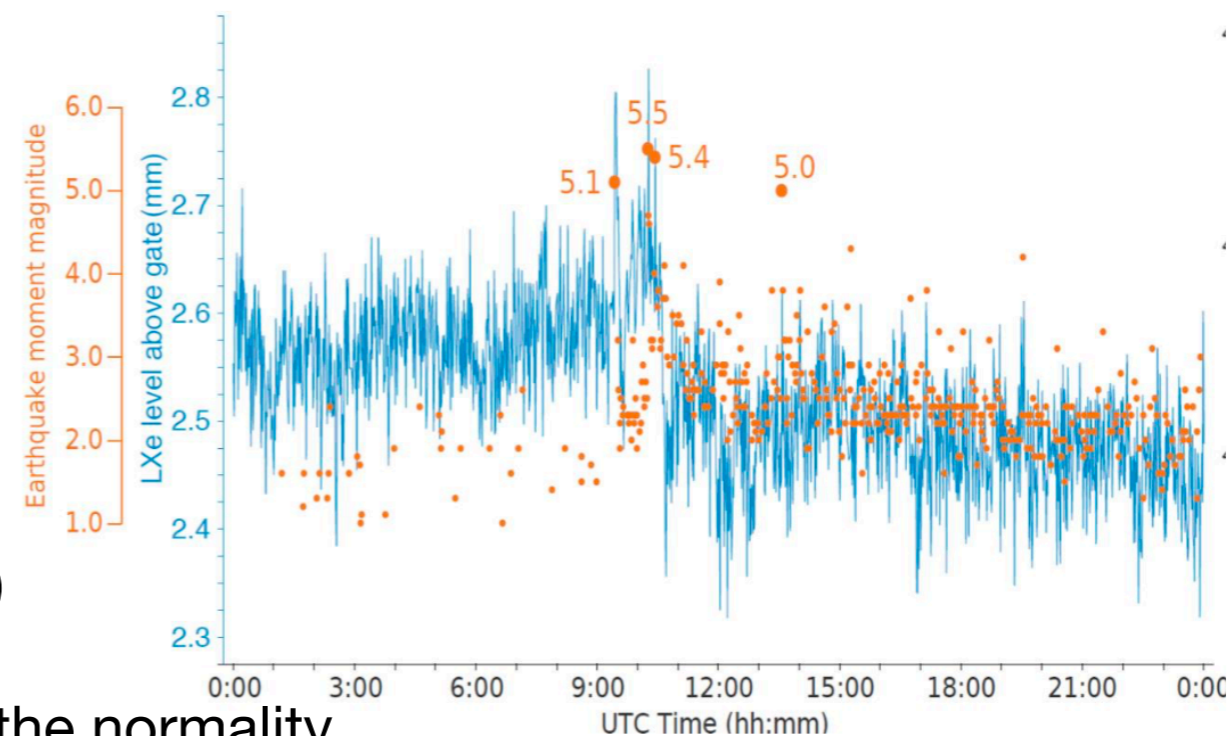


Typical event in the Muon Veto



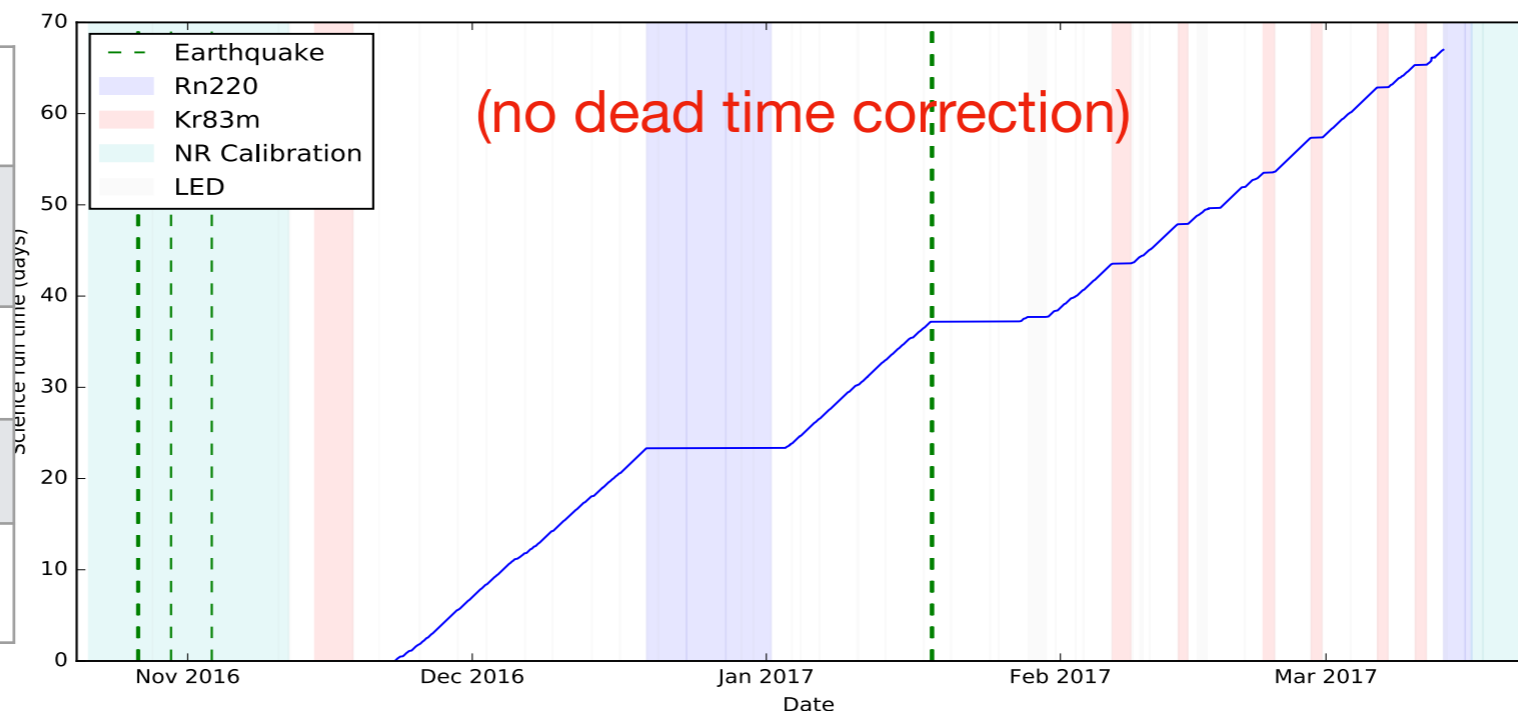
First Dark Matter search campaign

- **34 days** dark matter exposure (dead time corrected)
- NR and ER recoil calibration data
- Interrupted by earthquake of magnitude 5.5
 - Plus one meter snow. (Problems never come alone)
- Access to lab restricted
 - Detector survived. Operations restarted soon after the normality came back.
 - Now over 120 days exposure and counting!



SR0 data

Calendar	56 days
Search data	34.2 days
AmBe	16.3 days
Kr83m	3.3 days
Rn220	3.0 days



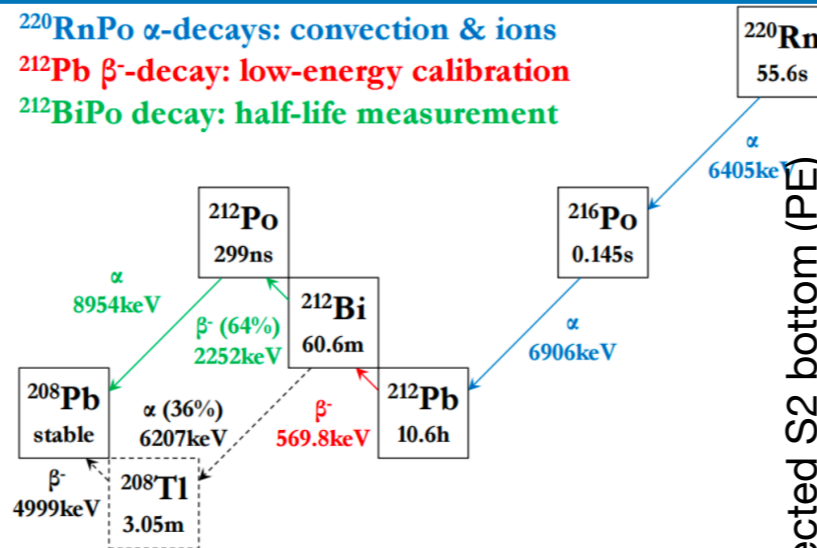
Deadtime since run0 ~ 12%

Deadtime since run1 ~ 1%

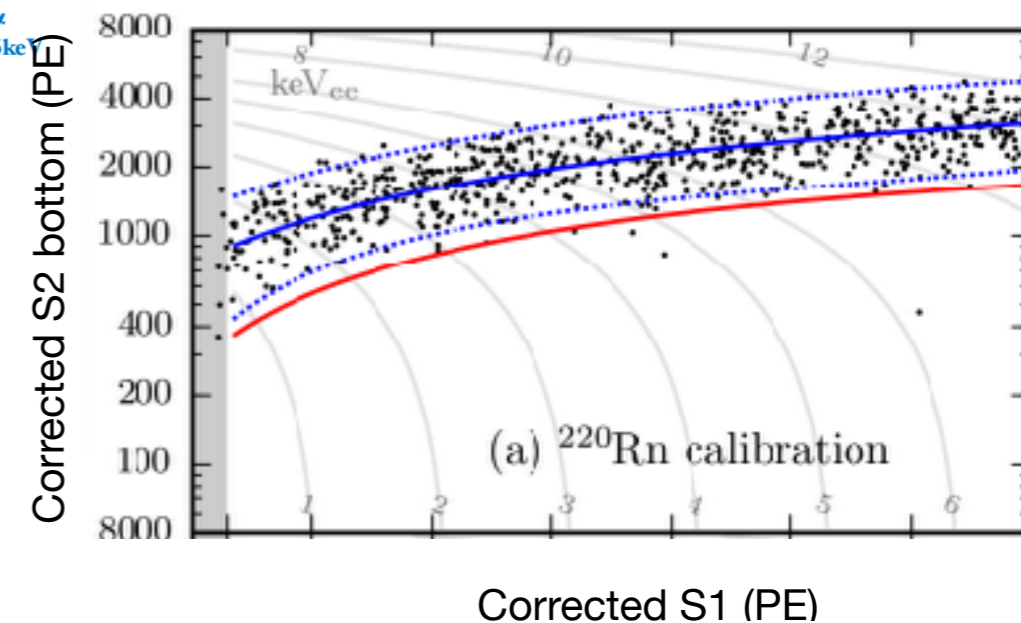
Calibrations I

Electronic Recoil ^{220}Rn

- ^{228}Th source emanates ^{220}Rn directly into LXe
- ^{212}Pb buildup \rightarrow decays away to ^{211}Bi \rightarrow low energy ER events

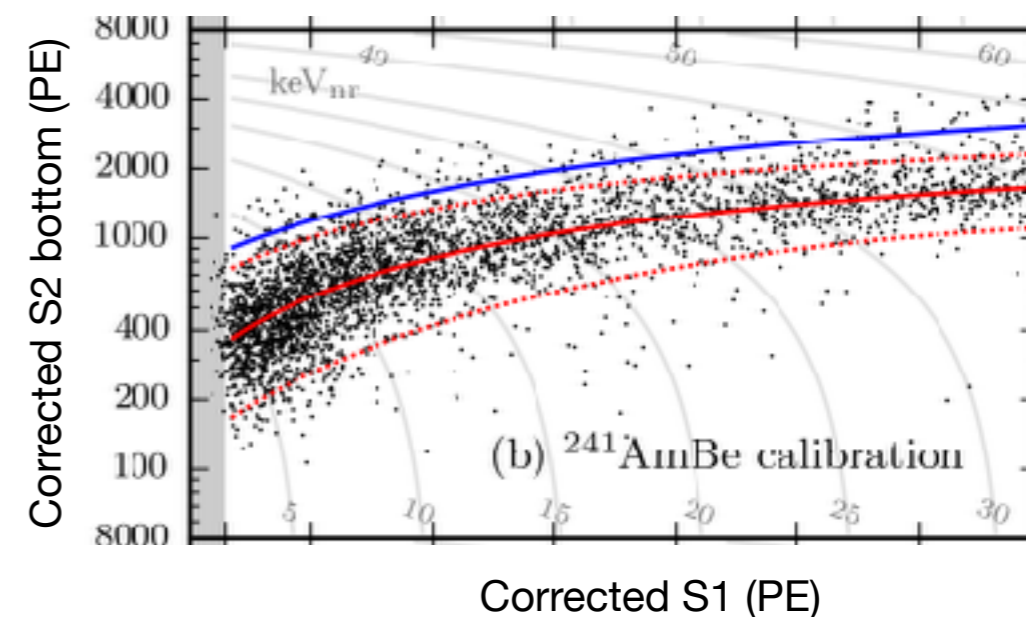


Source S. Breuer Xesat 2017
See also arxiv: 1602.01138



Nuclear Electronic AmBe

- External Source (source belt)
- low energy ER band
- Upgrade to neutron generator
 - Commissioned in May 2017
 - Time needed to calibrate was reduced from weeks to days



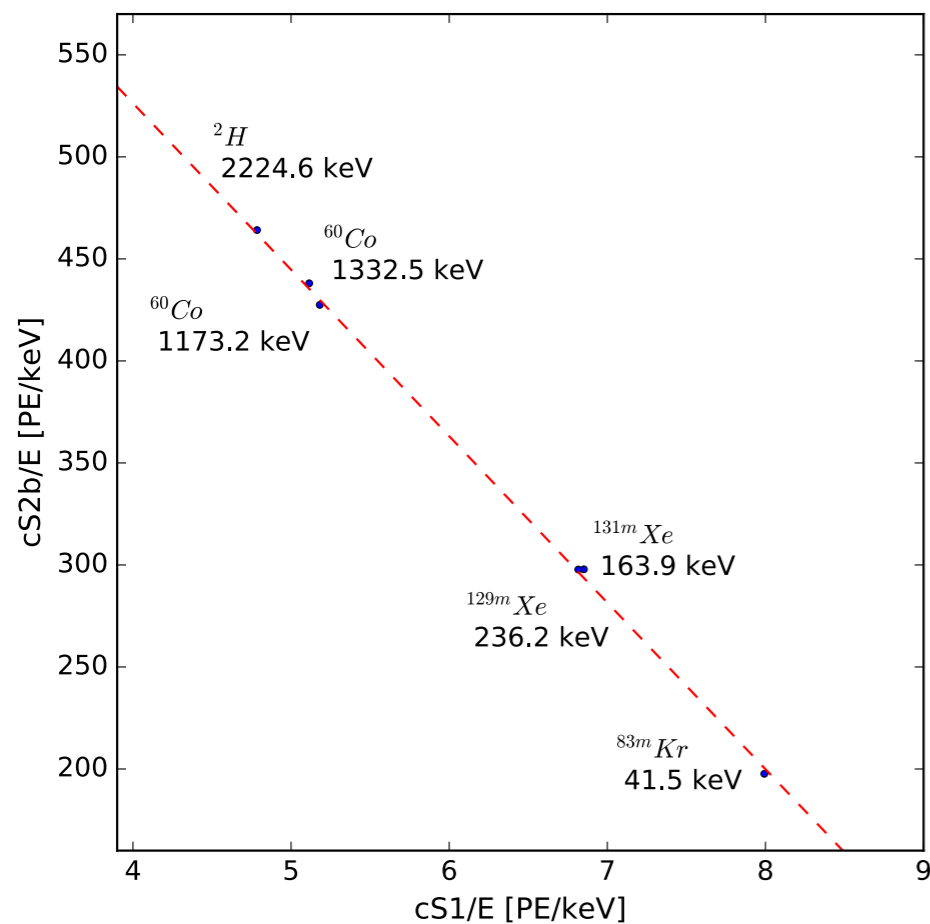
Calibrations II

Energy Response

- Linear from keV to MeV using known calibration sources (LCE~12 %)

$$E = W \cdot (n_\gamma + n_e) = W \cdot \left(\frac{S_1}{g_1} + \frac{S_2}{g_2} \right)$$

$$\frac{S_1}{E} = \frac{g_1}{W} - \left(\frac{g_2}{W} \right) \cdot \frac{S_2}{E}$$

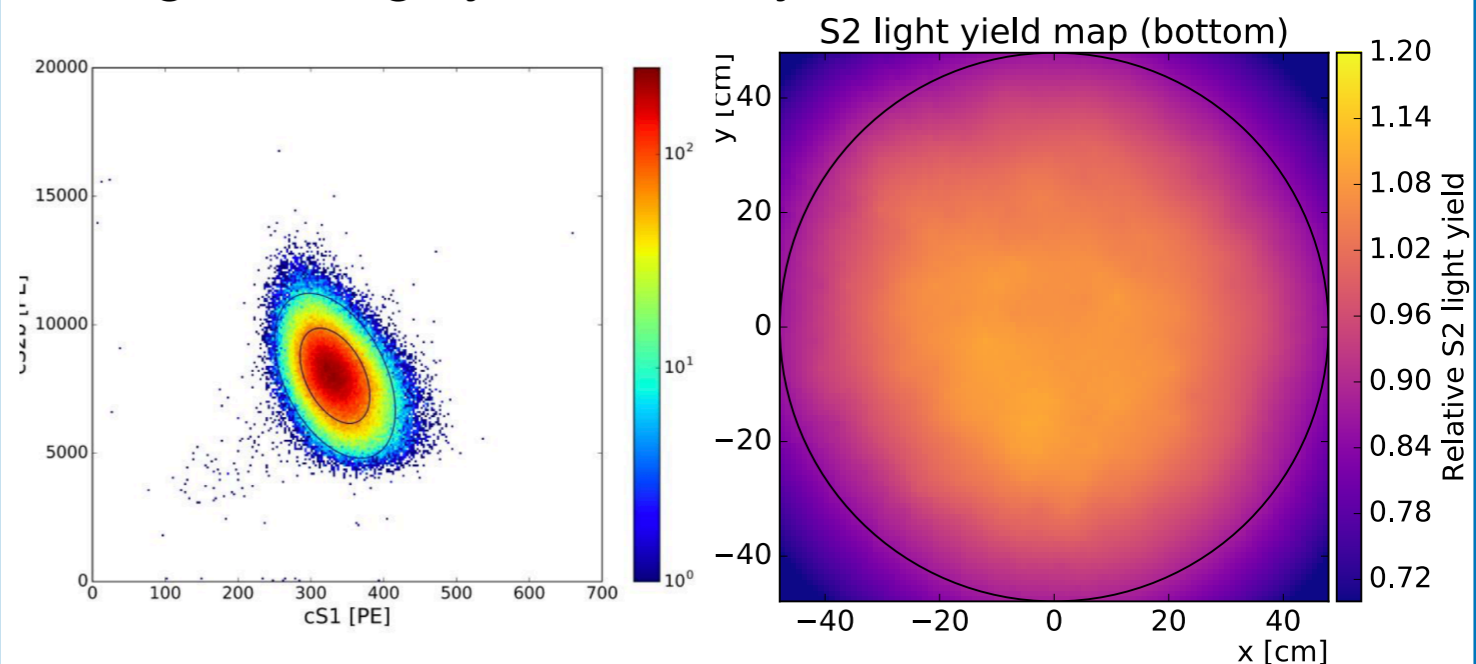


- $g_1 = 0.1442 \pm 0.0068$ PE/photon
- $g_2 = 11.5 \pm 0.8$ (PE/e) (with full extraction)

Calibration with $^{83\text{m}}\text{Kr}$

It is generated by ^{83}Rb decaying with 86.2 days lifetime. $^{83\text{m}}\text{Kr}$ decays with 1.83 hours lifetime by means of two conversion electrons.

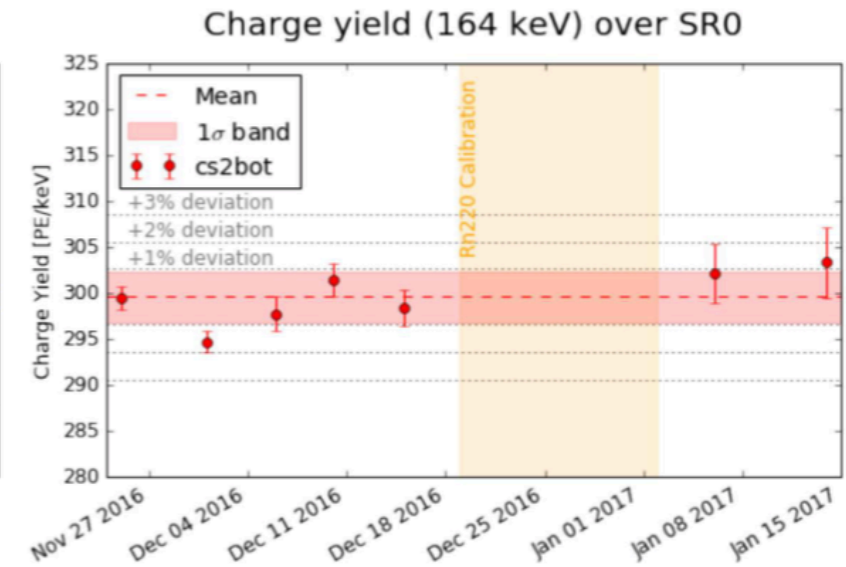
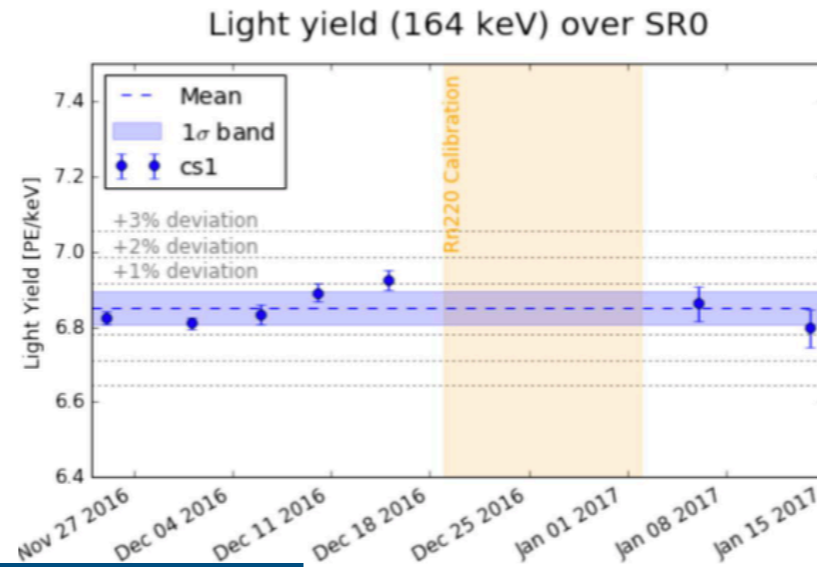
- Internal source (injected into LXe)
 - Homogeneous coverage
- 32.2 keV and 9 keV emissions separated by 152 ns
- used for several corrections
 - Position dependent light correction
 - Position dependent S2 amplification
 - Electric field distortion
 - Electron life-time cross check
 - Light/Charge yield stability



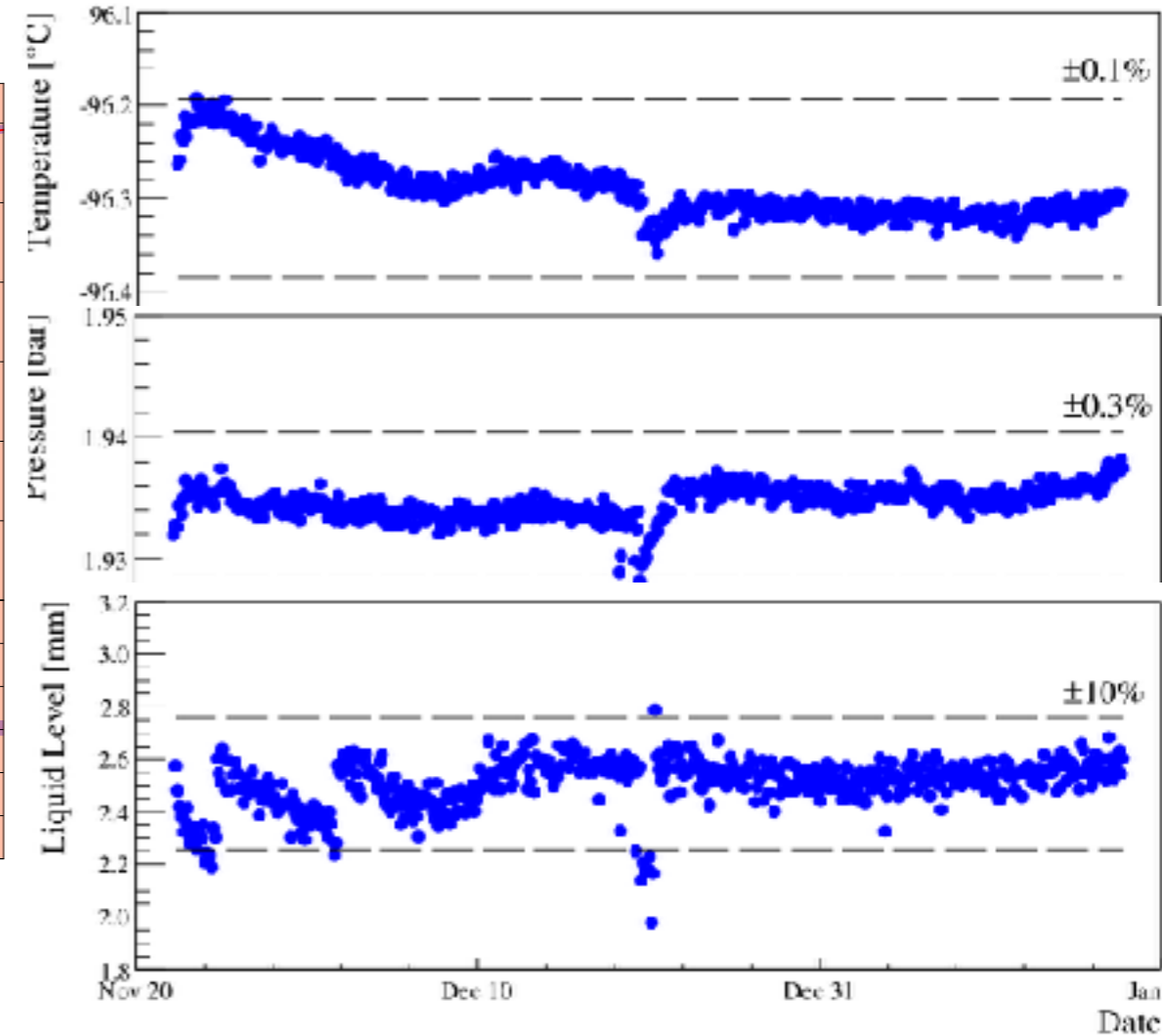
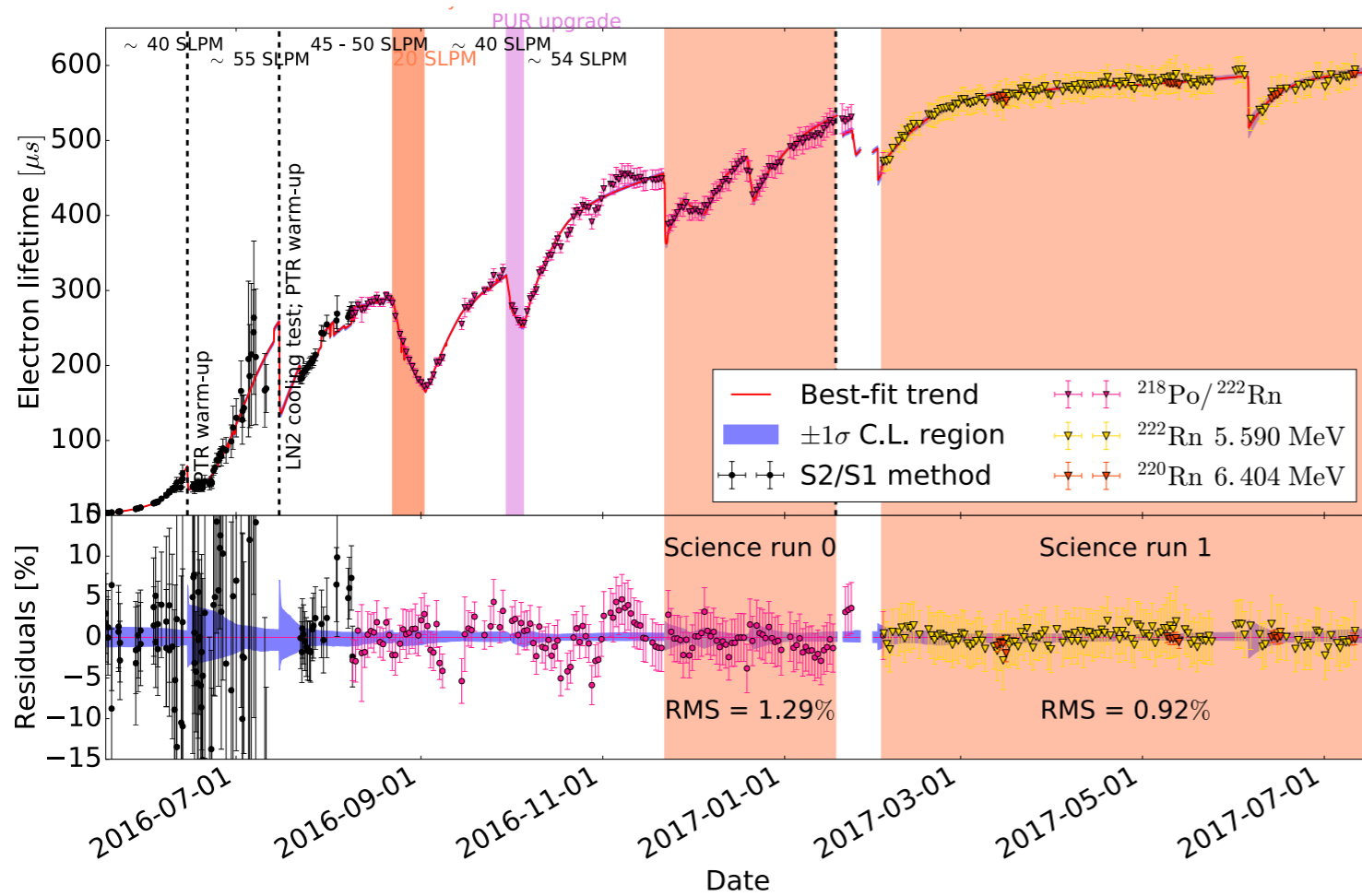
Stability

of working parameters

- Light/Charge yield stable within 1%
- ^{131m}Xe (shown) and ^{83m}Kr used for monitoring



- Electron lifetime increased during running time
 - Model as function of physical detector parameters



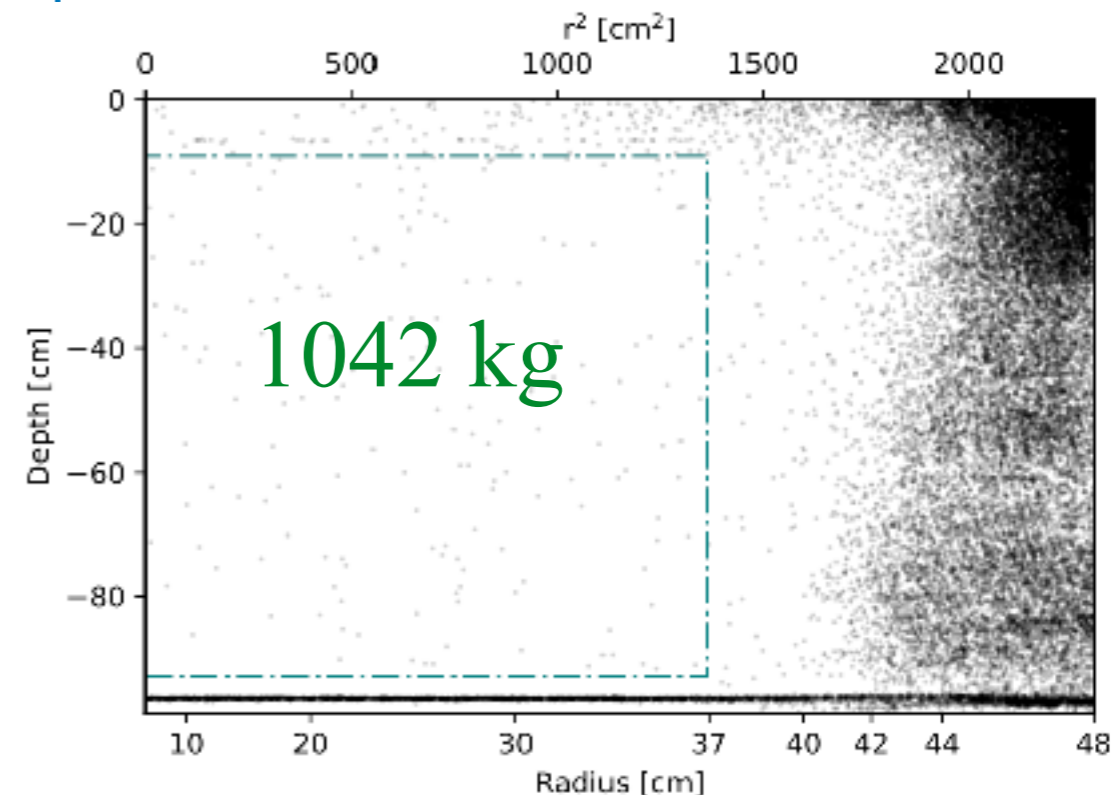
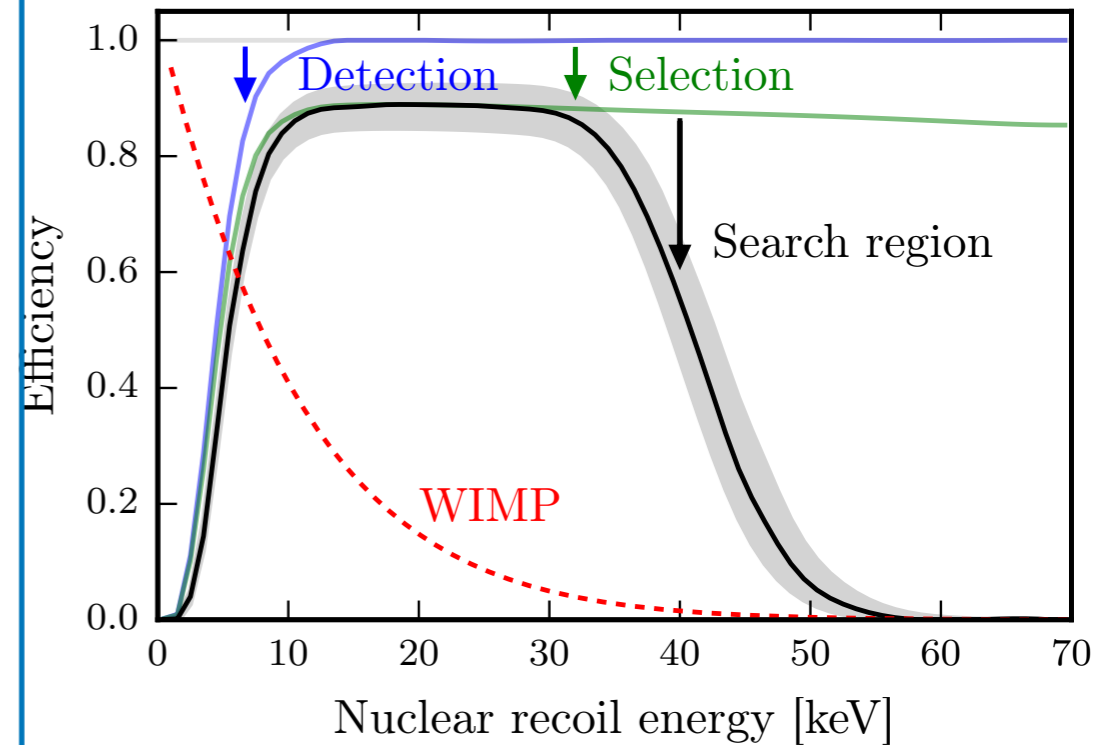
- Working parameters were stable throughout the run

Data Selection

Note: Signal region **blinded** until selection fixed!

- Single-Scatter
 - Only one S2 (>200 pe) per event
- General event quality
 - Event can't directly follow high energy → avoid single e tails
 - Reject noise (uncorrelated signal) before main S2
- Peak Quality
 - Drift time and width of S2 must be consistent
 - S1 and S2 hit patterns must be consistent with reconstructed position
 - Ratio of light seen by top/bottom array consistent with event in liquid
- Fiducial Volume → Cylindrical, 1ton

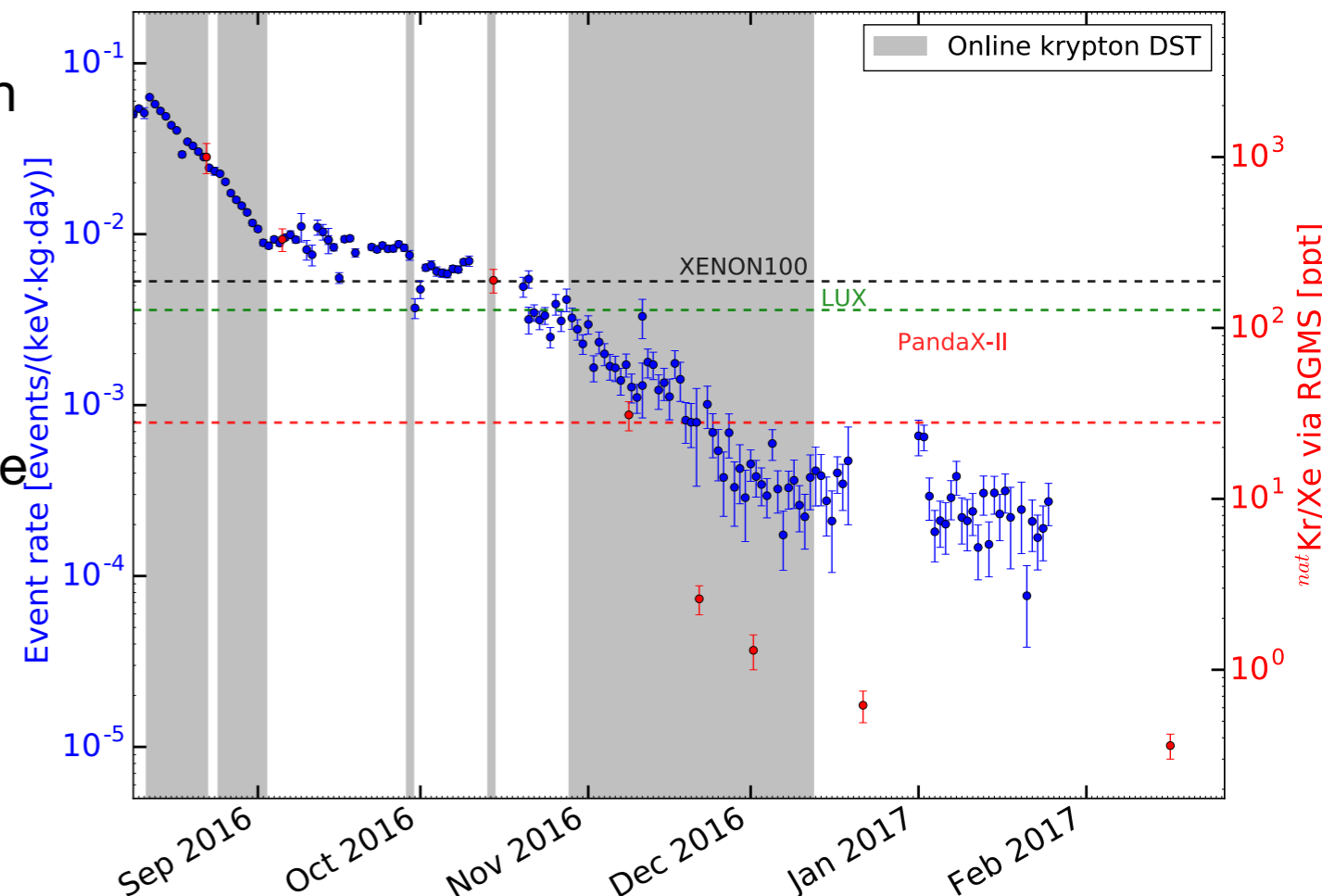
Cut	Events Remaining
All events ($cS1 < 200$ PE)	128144
Data quality, selection	48955
Fiducial volume	180
S1 Range ($3 < cS1 < 70$ PE)	63



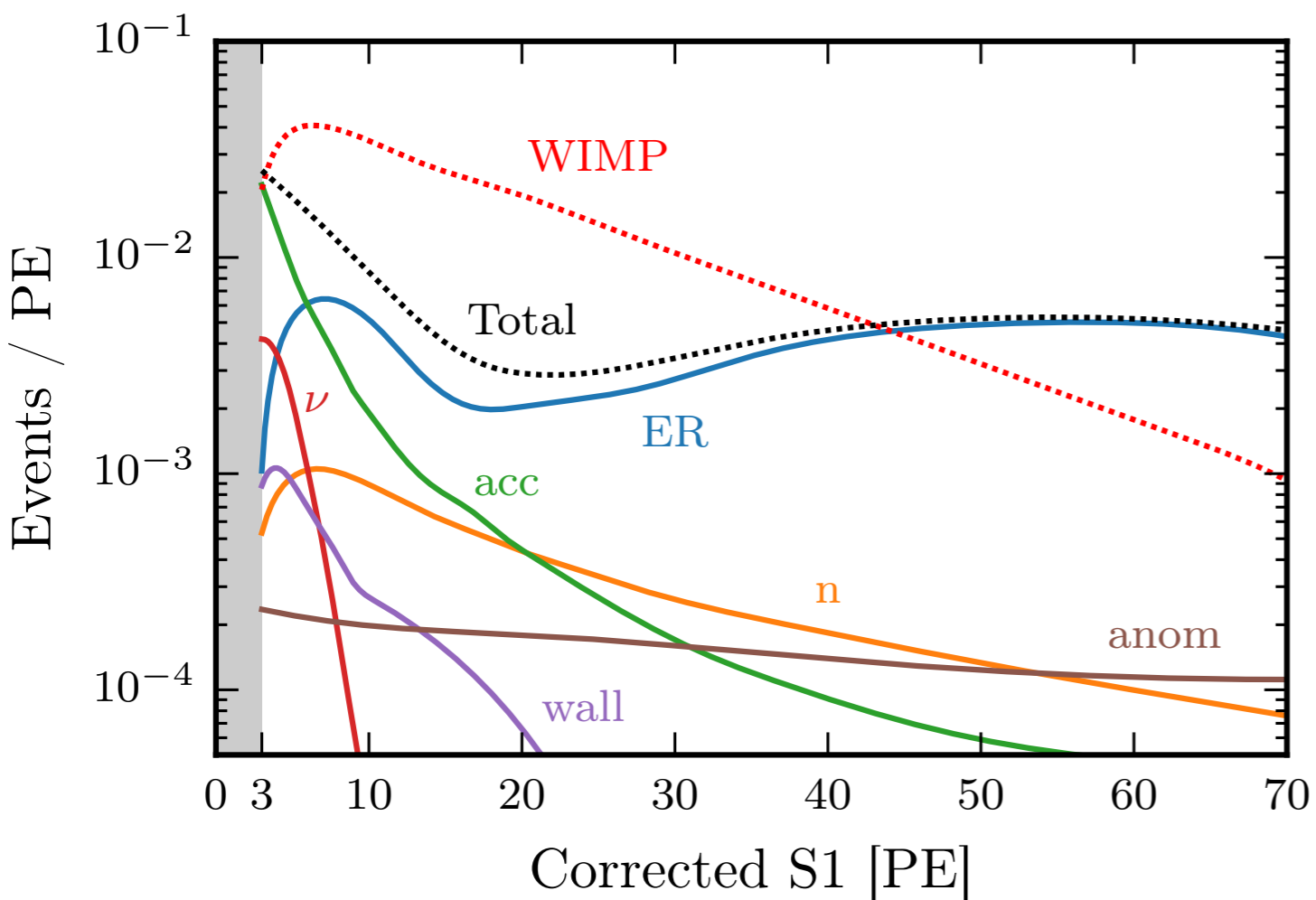
Background in the ER channel

Background events are mainly generated by impurities present in any components of the detector, by surfaces emanation and by impurities present in the Xe itself.

- Online Krypton distillation
 - ^{85}Kr background $^{\text{nat}}\text{Kr}/\text{Xe} < 0.048 \times 10^{-12}$ (<48 ppq) at the output of the distillation column while in the TPC it is $^{\text{nat}}\text{Kr}/\text{Xe} = (0.36 \pm 0.06)$ ppt
 - ER background radon dominated
- ^{222}Rn chain
 - Emanation from detector materials
 - Extensive screening program
 - Lowest possible emanation materials chosen
 - Surface treatments for internal components
 - **10 $\mu\text{Bq}/\text{kg}$ target concentration reached**
 - Further reduction possible (XENONnT)
 - Rn distillation in XENON100 \rightarrow 27 x decrease
 - See arxiv:1702.06942
 - First tests in XENON1T promising



Background Evaluation in Run0

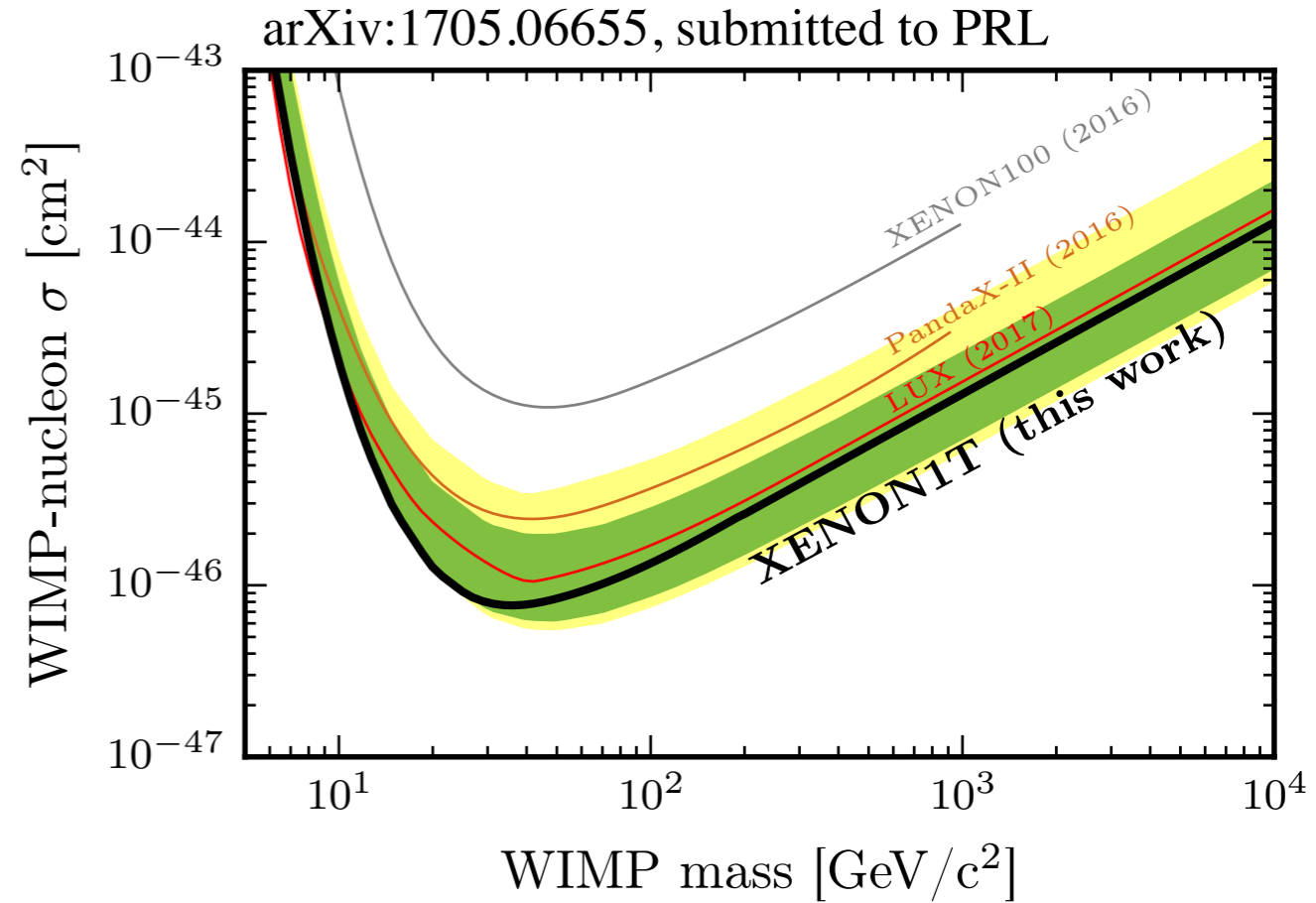
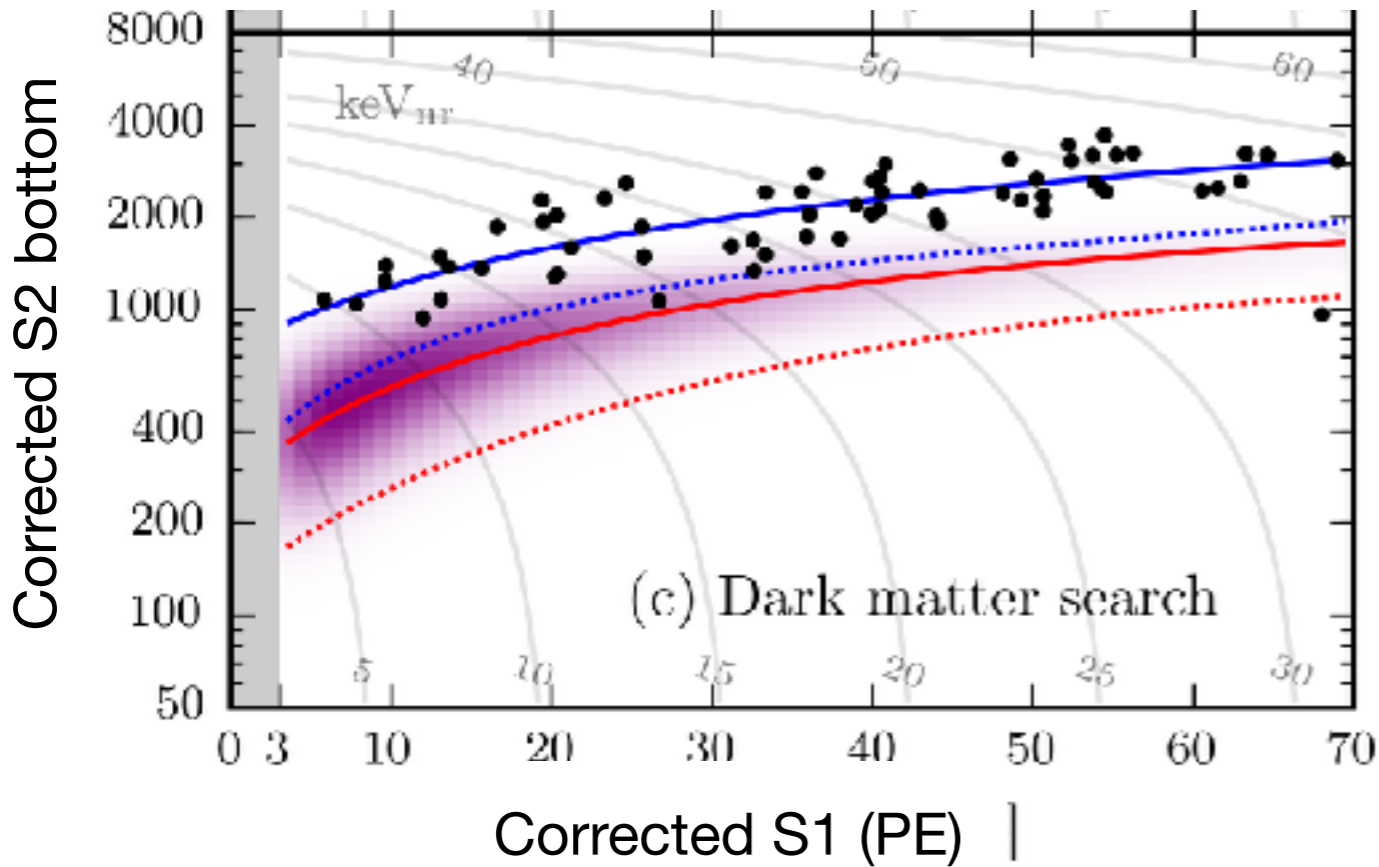


Expected WIMP rate calculated assuming $WIMP_M=50 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ and $\sigma \sim 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2$

ER and NR spectral shapes derived from models fitted to calibration data

Background	Total	NR median -2σ , 3–70 <u>pe</u>
Electronic recoil	(62 ± 8)	0.25 (+0.10)(-0.07)
<u>Rediogenic neutrons (n)</u>	(0.05 ± 0.01)	0.02
CNNS (<u>v</u>)	0.02	0.01
<u>Accidental coincidences (acc)</u>	(0.22 ± 0.01)	0.06
<u>Wall leakage (wall)</u>	(0.52 ± 0.32)	0.01
<u>Anomalous (anom)</u>	0.09 (+0.12) (-0.06)	(0.01 ± 0.01)
Total background	(63 ± 8)	0.36 ± 0.09

First Result from Dark Matter Search



- Extended un-binned profile likelihood analysis
- No changes on event selection after unblinding
- Most significant ER & NR shape parameters inferred from cal. fits
- Most stringent limit on SI cross section between WIMPs and nucleons happens to be at 35 GeV of WIMP mass and it is $7.7 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2 @ 90 \text{ C.L.}$

XENONnT: the next step

XENONnT is a rapid upgrade of the XENON1T detector:

- New inner cryostat vessel inside the same outer vessel
- Total LXe mass will be ~ 8 t with 6 t active- x3 more than XENON1T
- New TPC structure with increased diameter and height (x1.4), additional PMTs (and electronics): 248 \rightarrow 476
- All other systems can handle a larger detector with a target mass of up to 10t: Cryogenics, Purification, Recovery, Support structure, DAQ, Slow Control, Muon veto. Their established performance will enable the operation of XENONnT on a fast timescale.
- Under study the need of a modular nVeto around the detector
- Current schedule: start XENONnT in early 2019

XENONnT: the next step

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Conclusion and Outlook

XENON1T leads the world sensitivity

- 34 live days published
- > 120 live days on disk and more are coming!

Messages

- First ton-scale LXe TPC has given results
- The detector with lower BG rate:
 $1.93 \times 10^{-3} \pm 0.25$ events/(kg x day x keV)
- Many more blinded data are ready to be analyzed
- XENON1T upgrade (XENONnT) is underway

