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# $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4/\text{Na}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7$ Cryogenic Phonon Scintillating Bolometer

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- ✓ Molybdate crystals

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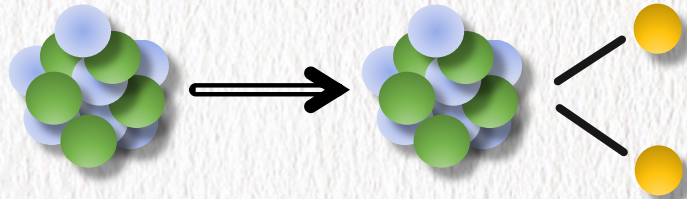
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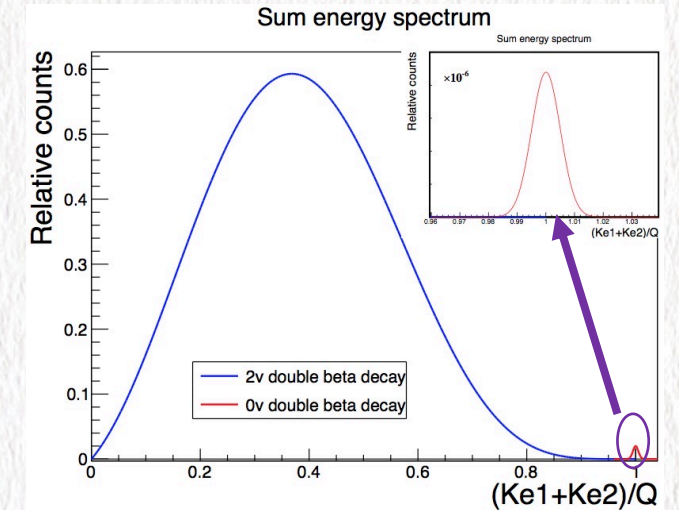
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\* Physics goal: neutrinoless double beta decay ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ )

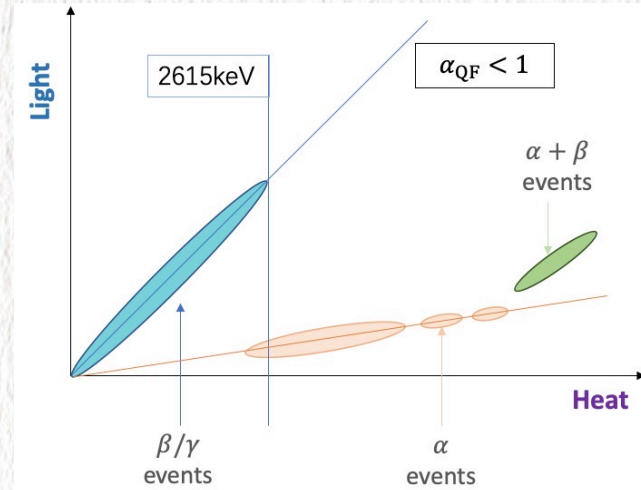
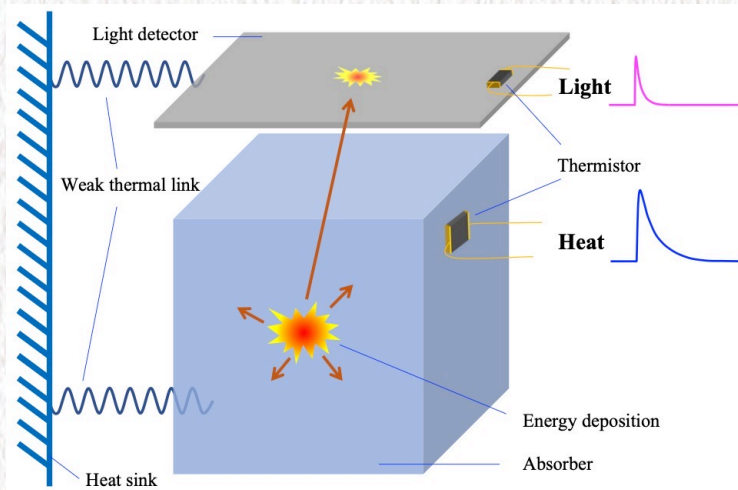


$$(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 2) + 2e^-$$

- ✓ Lepton number violation
- ✓ Majorana or Dirac particles
- ✓ Neutrino mass
- ✓ Asymmetry of (anti-)matter...



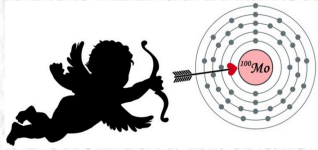
\* Light-heat dual-bolometer



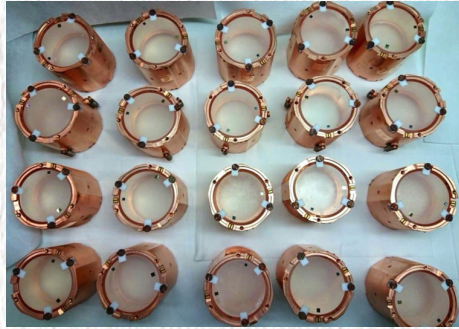
- ✓ Absorber = Scintillating crystal
- ✓ Low energy threshold
- ✓ Good energy resolution
- ✓ Particle identification ( $\alpha$  vs.  $\beta/\gamma$ )



# Why molybdate crystals → $^{100}\text{Mo}$



**CUPID-Mo**  
 $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$   
 @Modane



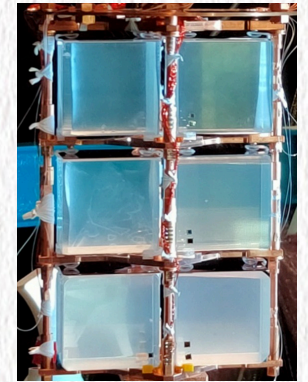
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 $\text{CaMoO}_4$



**AMoRE-II**  
 $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$   
 @Y2L

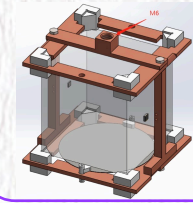


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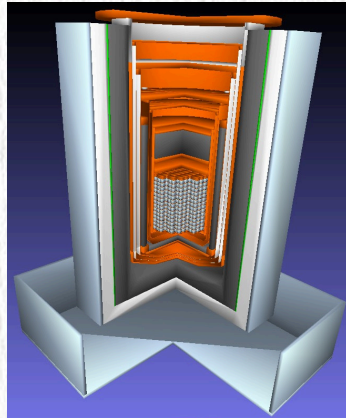
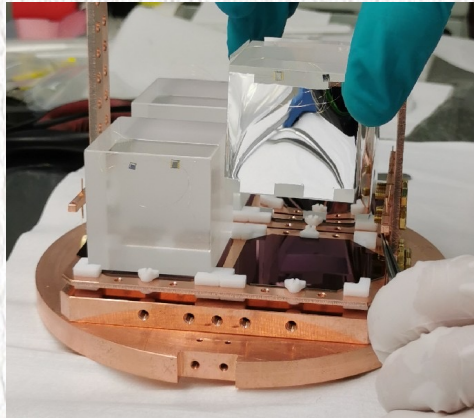
$\text{ZnMoO}_4$ ,  $\text{PbMoO}_4$ ,  
 $\text{CdMoO}_4$ ,  $\text{Na}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7$  R&D

**High Q value (3034 keV) &  
 natural isotope abundance**



$\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$  @CJPL

Parameter	Value
Crystal	$\text{Li}_2^{100}\text{MoO}_4$
Size	45x45x45 mm <sup>3</sup>
Heat Channels	1596
Light Channels	1710
Detector mass	450 kg
Enrichment	95%
$^{100}\text{Mo}$ mass	240 kg
E resolution	< 5 keV
Bk index	< e-4 ccky



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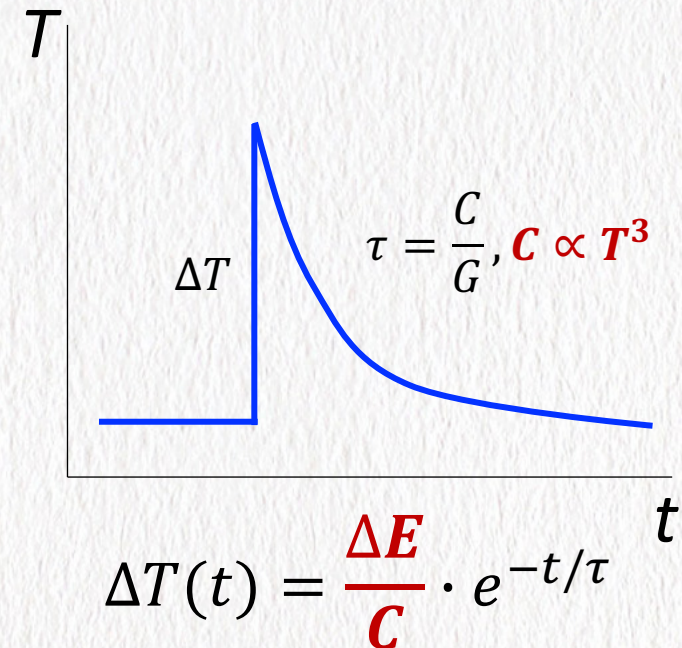
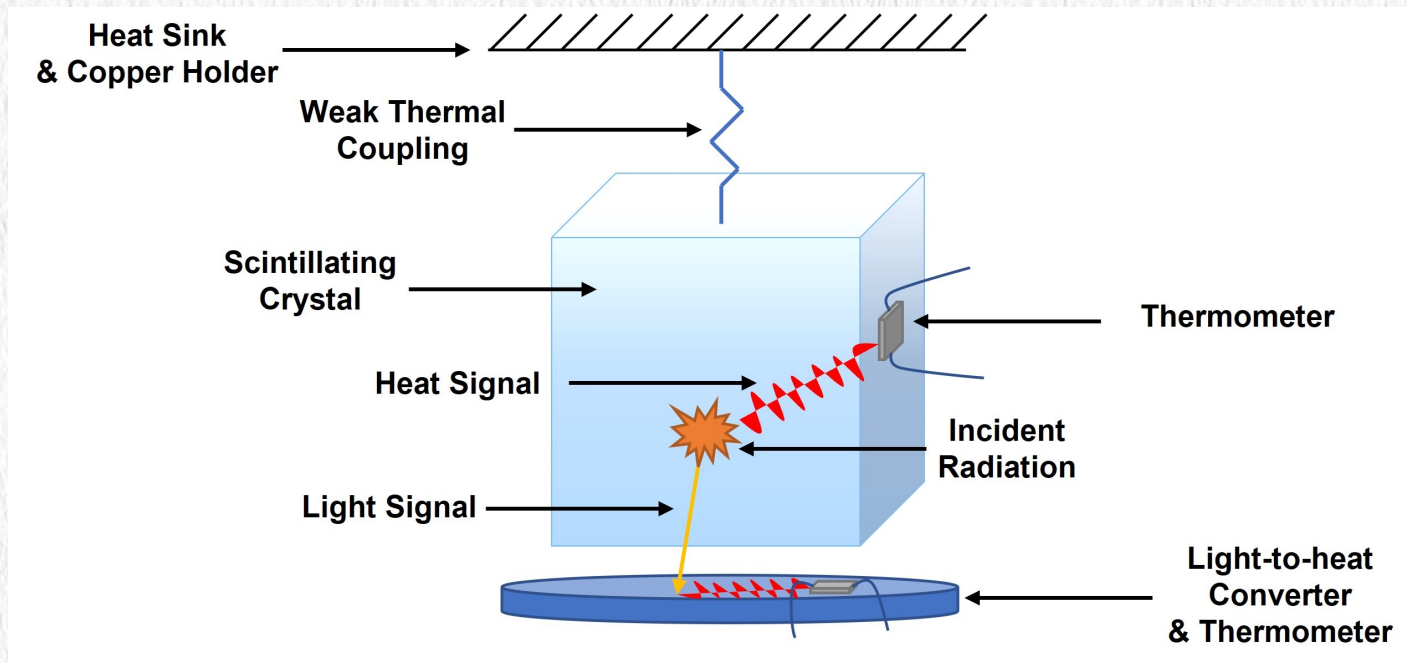
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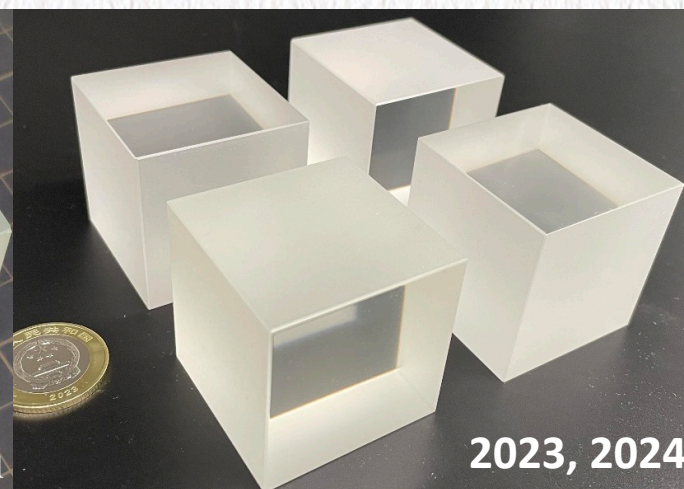
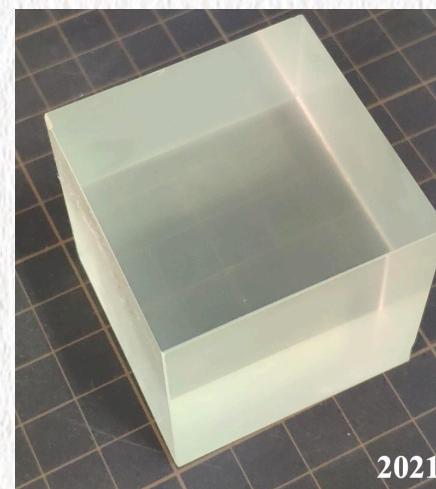
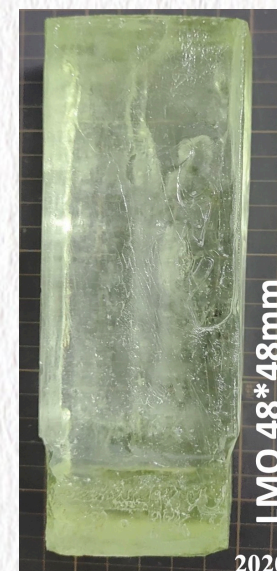
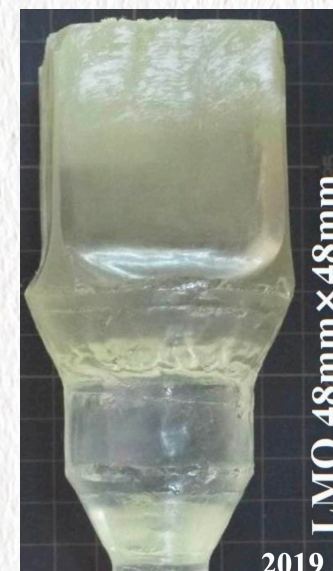
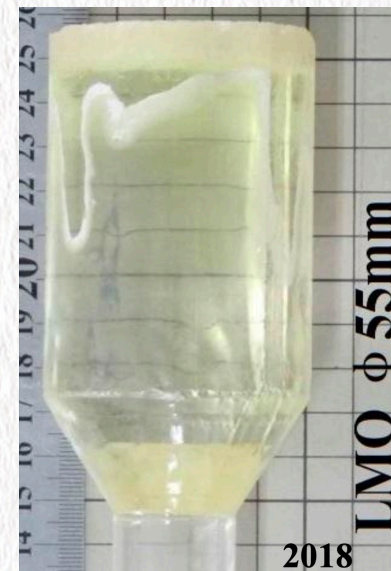
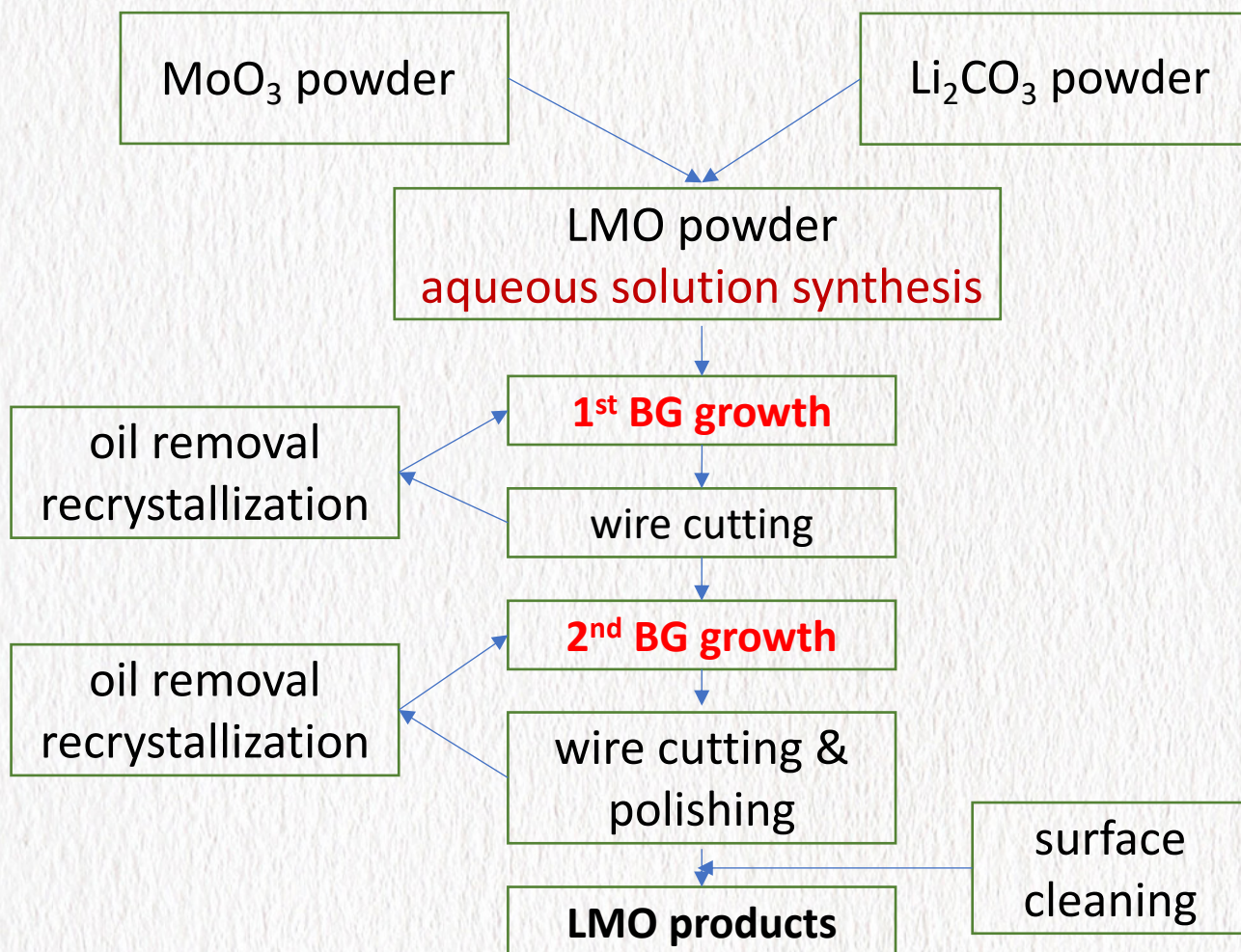
# Cryogenic Phonon-scintillating Detector

- \* Absorber, **scintillation light**  $\rightarrow \alpha$  vs.  $\beta/\gamma$ , small **heat capacity (C)**  $\rightarrow$  **sensitive detector**
- \* **Sensor, crucial component**, sensitive to  **$\mu\text{K}$ -level changes** at very low temperatures
- \* **Heat sink and Weak thermal link**, provide stable low temperature and energy release
- \* **Light detector**, collect photons and convert to signal readout as light channel





# LMO crystal growth

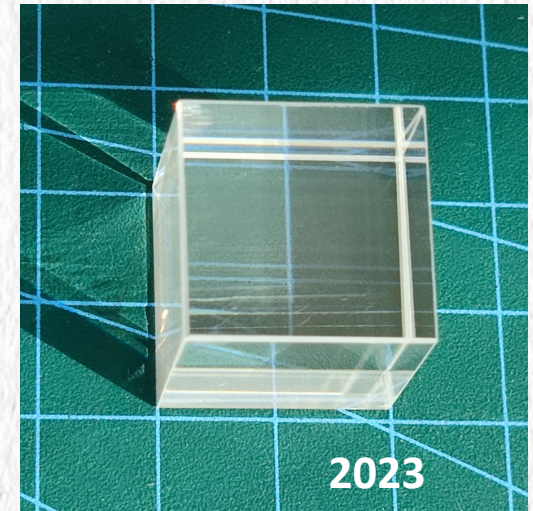


$\text{L}^{100}\text{MO}$  crystal growth would start from this September



# NMO crystal growth

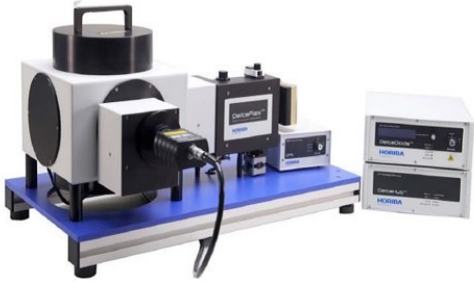
- \* LMO, very attractive, but **deliquescent**
- \* NMO, **not deliquescent**, high light yield, **not easy** to grow into **large bulk** at present
- \* Bridgman growth method, similar process as LMO



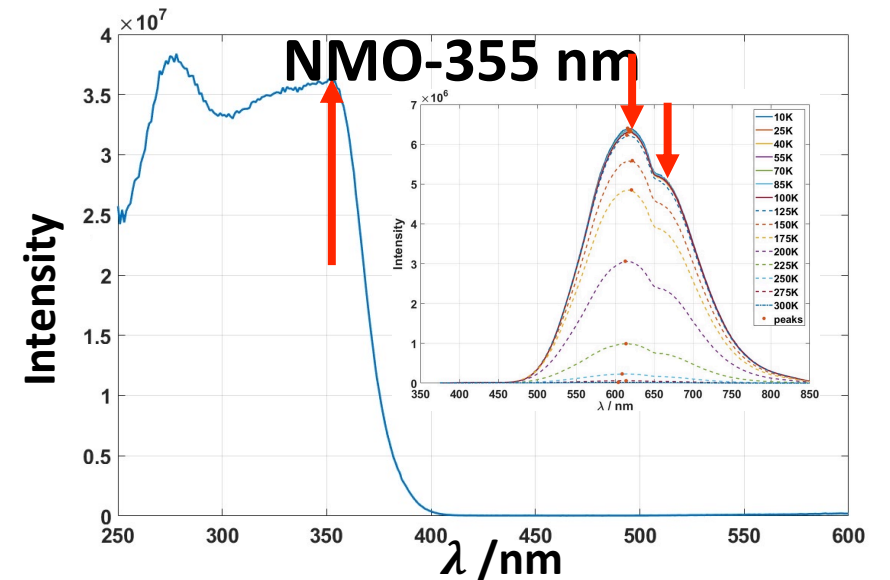
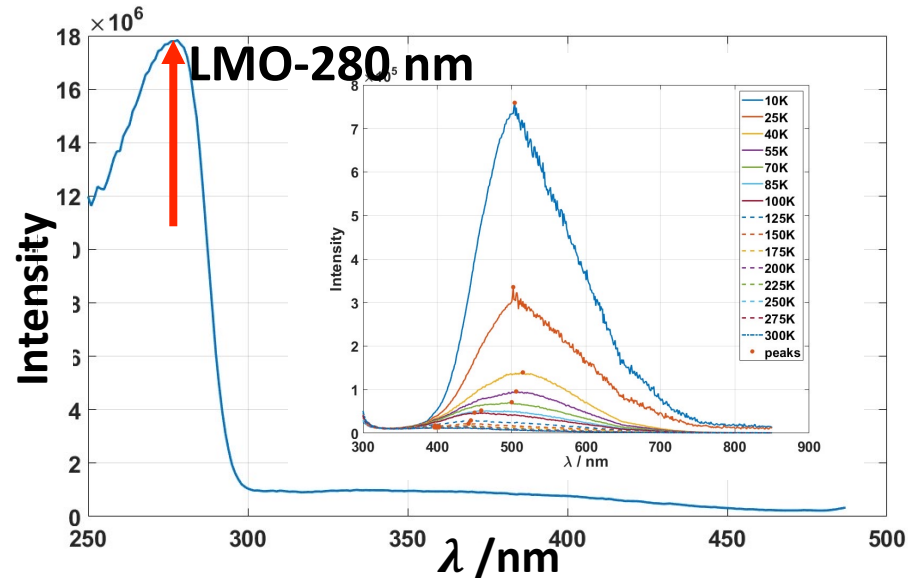


# Scintillation light properties

- \* Low temperature test platforms with laser (**10-300 K**), laser 250-1700 nm
- \* LMO test with laser **280 nm**, peak at **510 nm**, lower temperature, higher light yield
- \* NMO test with laser **355 nm**, peak at **620 nm**, lower temperature, higher light yield



Test platforms



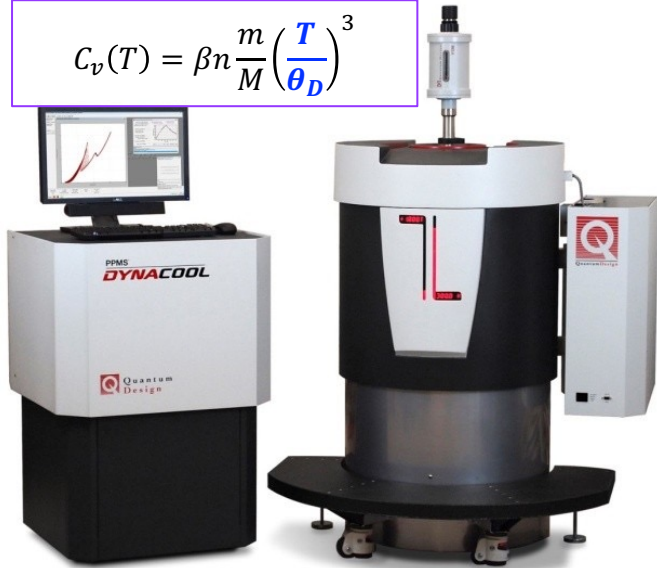
Excitation spectrum @10 K and emission spectrum



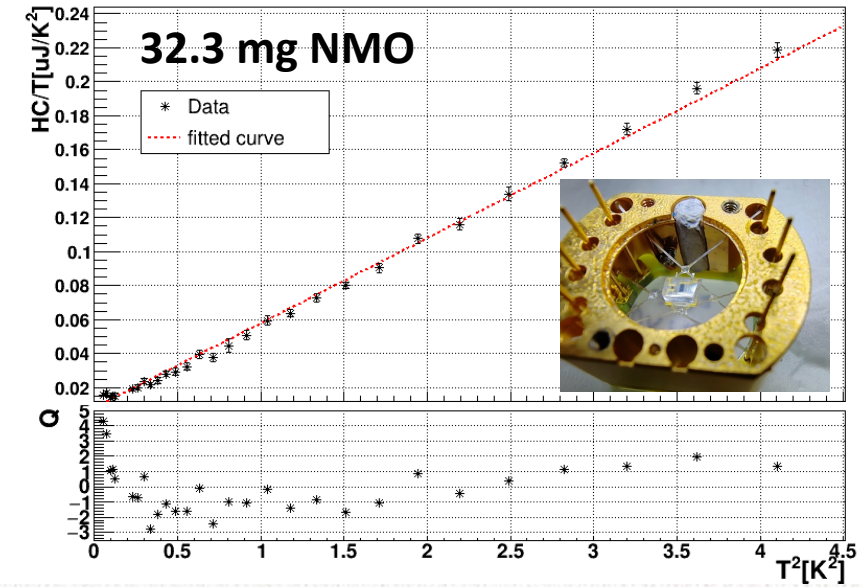
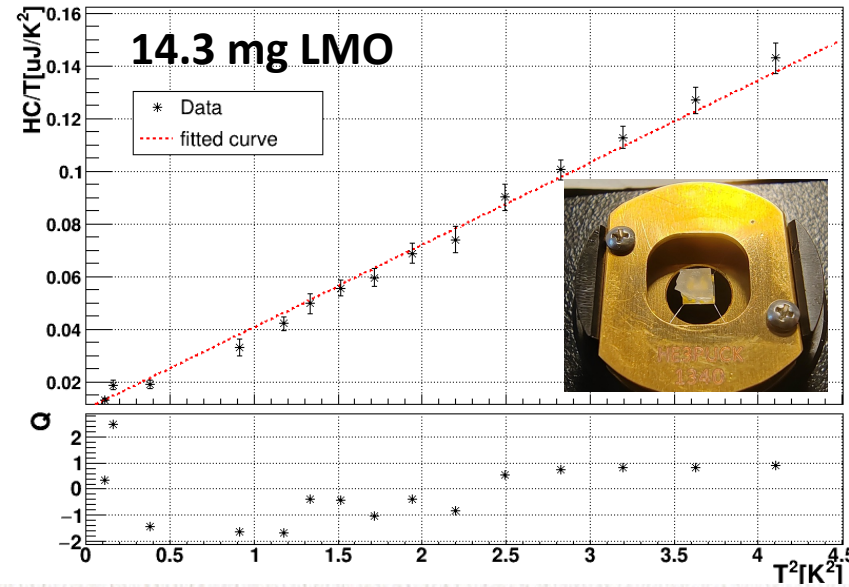
# Heat capacity measurement

- \* PPMS (Physical Property Measurement System, Quantum Design), 50 mK -400 K
- \* Heat capacity measurements of LMO and NMO from 200 mK -2 K with PPMS, the results are consistent with the Debye model,  $\theta_D(LMO) = 330 \pm 3 \text{ K}$ ,  $\theta_D(NMO) = 351 \pm 2 \text{ K}$

$$C_v(T) = \beta n \frac{m}{M} \left( \frac{T}{\theta_D} \right)^3$$



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C/T as a function of  $T^2$



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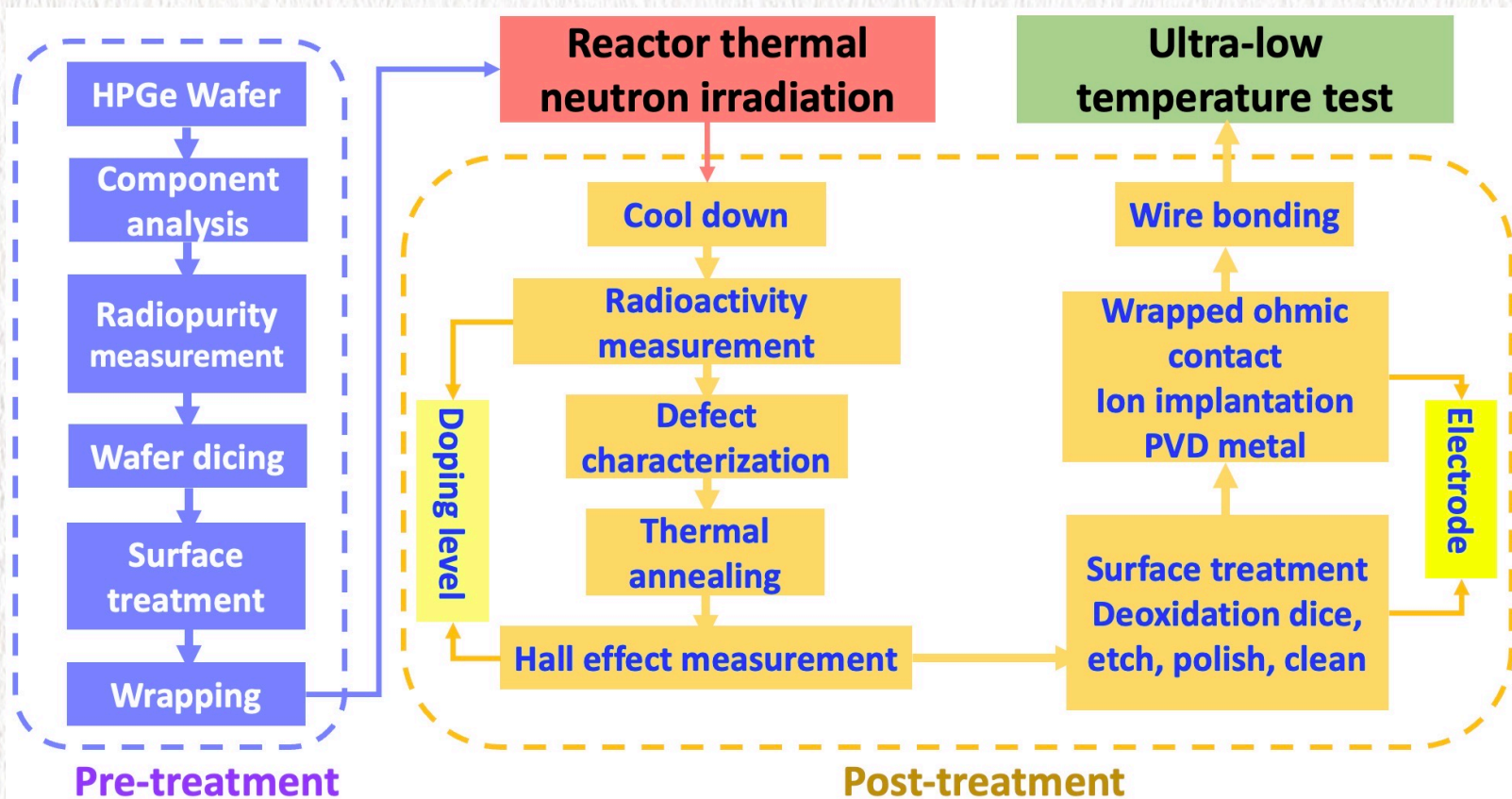
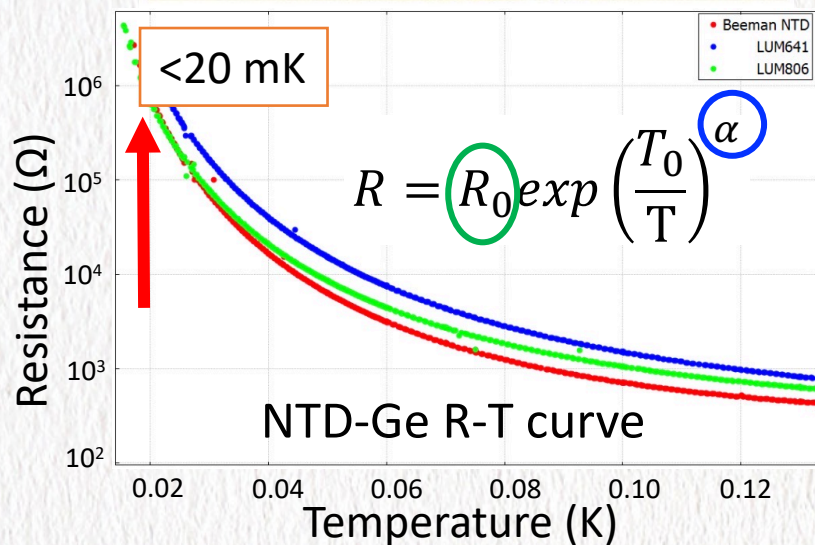
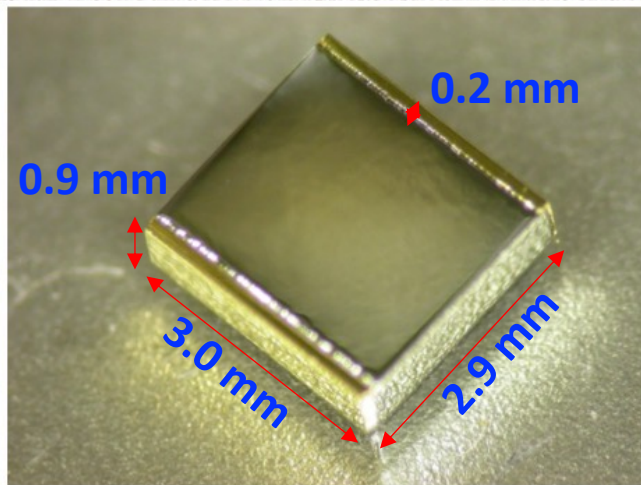
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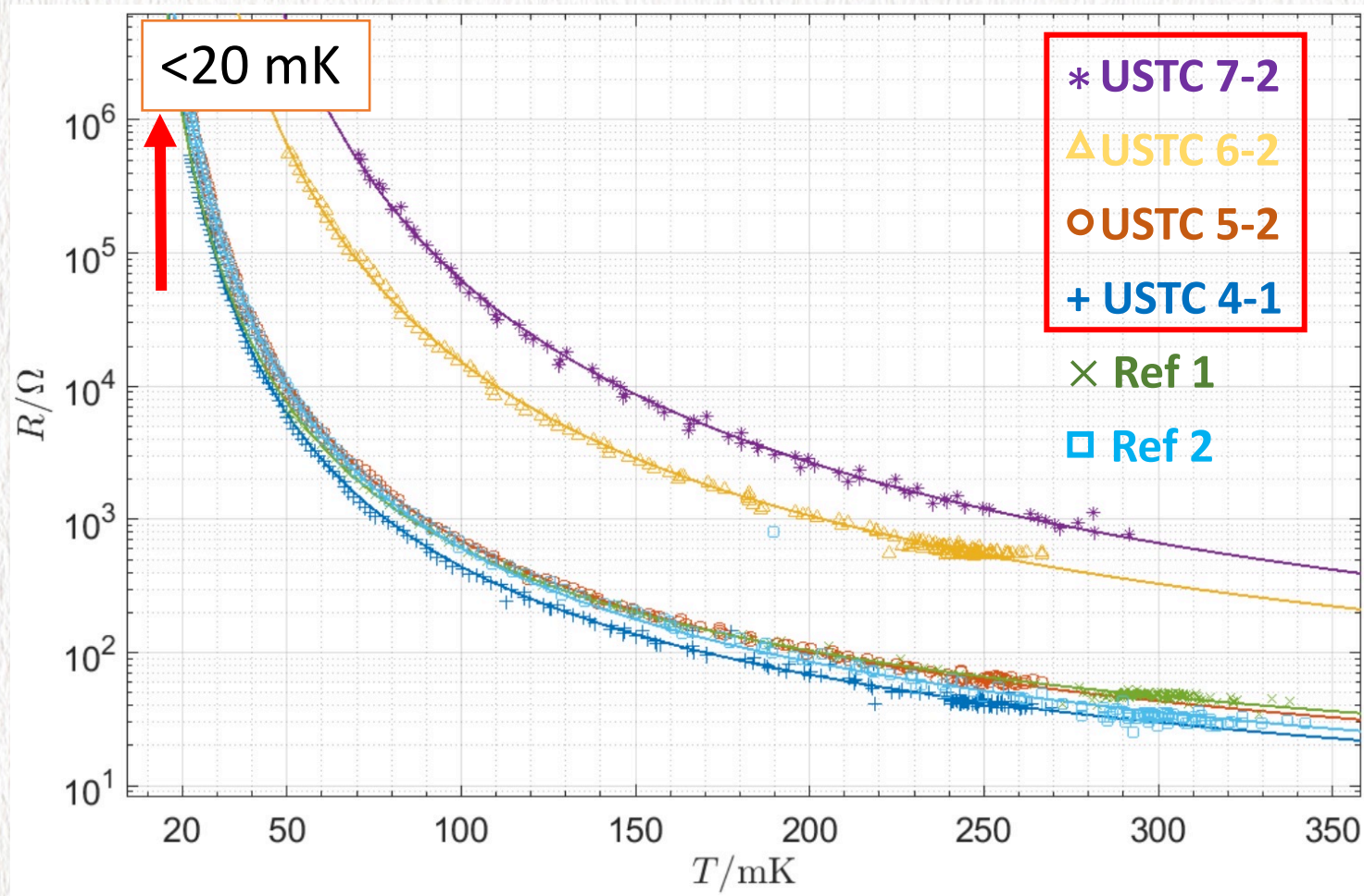
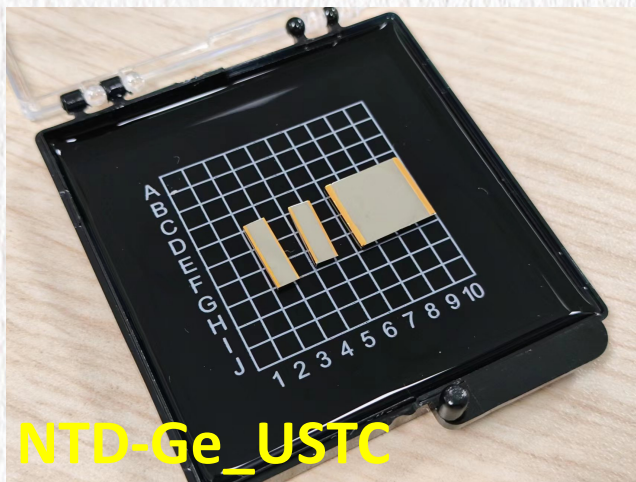
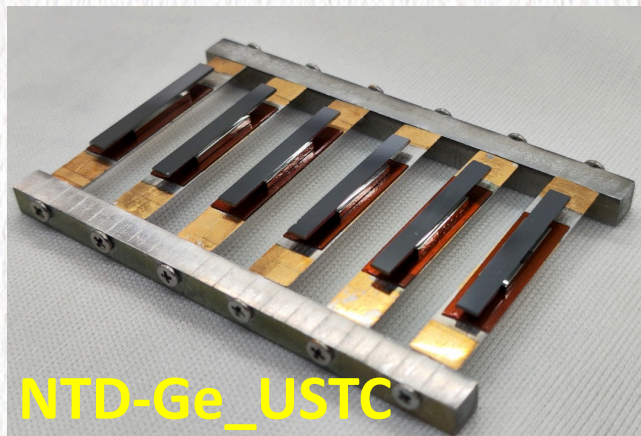


## NTD-Ge fabrication roadmap

墙报 5-30: 低温晶体量热器中NTD-Ge热传感器的制备和特性研究, 赵康康 薛明萱 彭海平等



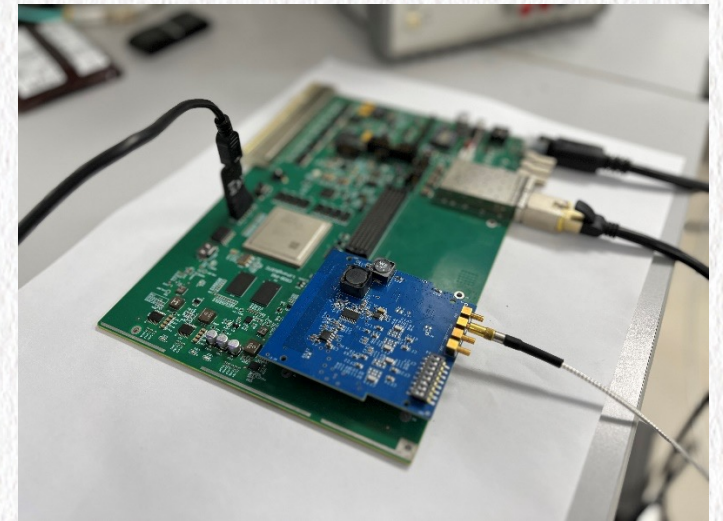
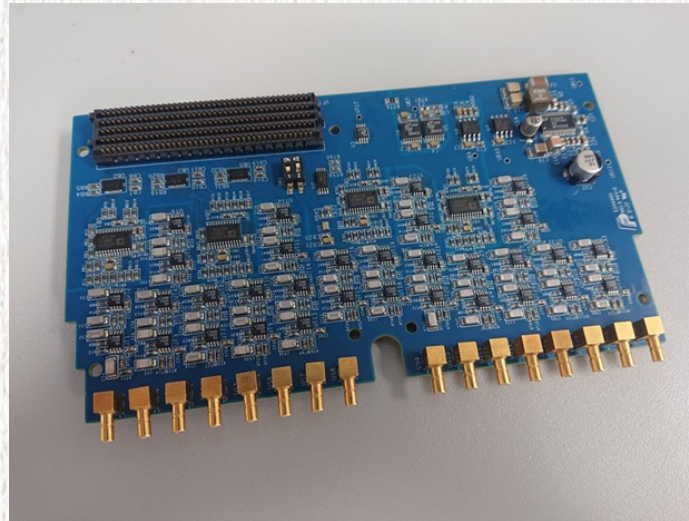
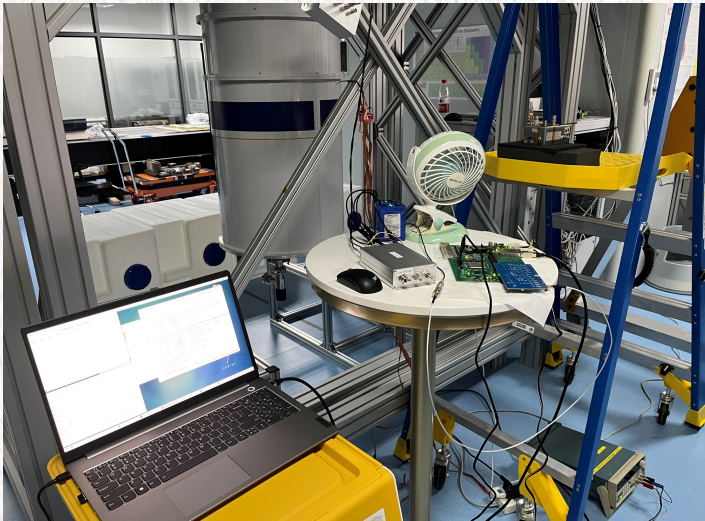
# NTD-Ge\_USTC (R-T) 20-350 mK





# Low noise FEE and digital readout for NTD-Ge

- \* Produce **four preamplifier boards** that can work
- \* Design and test of a **16-channel digital board with Bessel filter** at 10 kHz sampling rate
- \* Develop a four-channel digital board with adjustable bandwidth that significantly improves the baseline performance



Readout electronics test with NTD-Ge, 16-channel digital board and four-channel adjustable bandwidth digital board

- \* Further reduce the noise of the preamplifier
- \* Low temperature electronics



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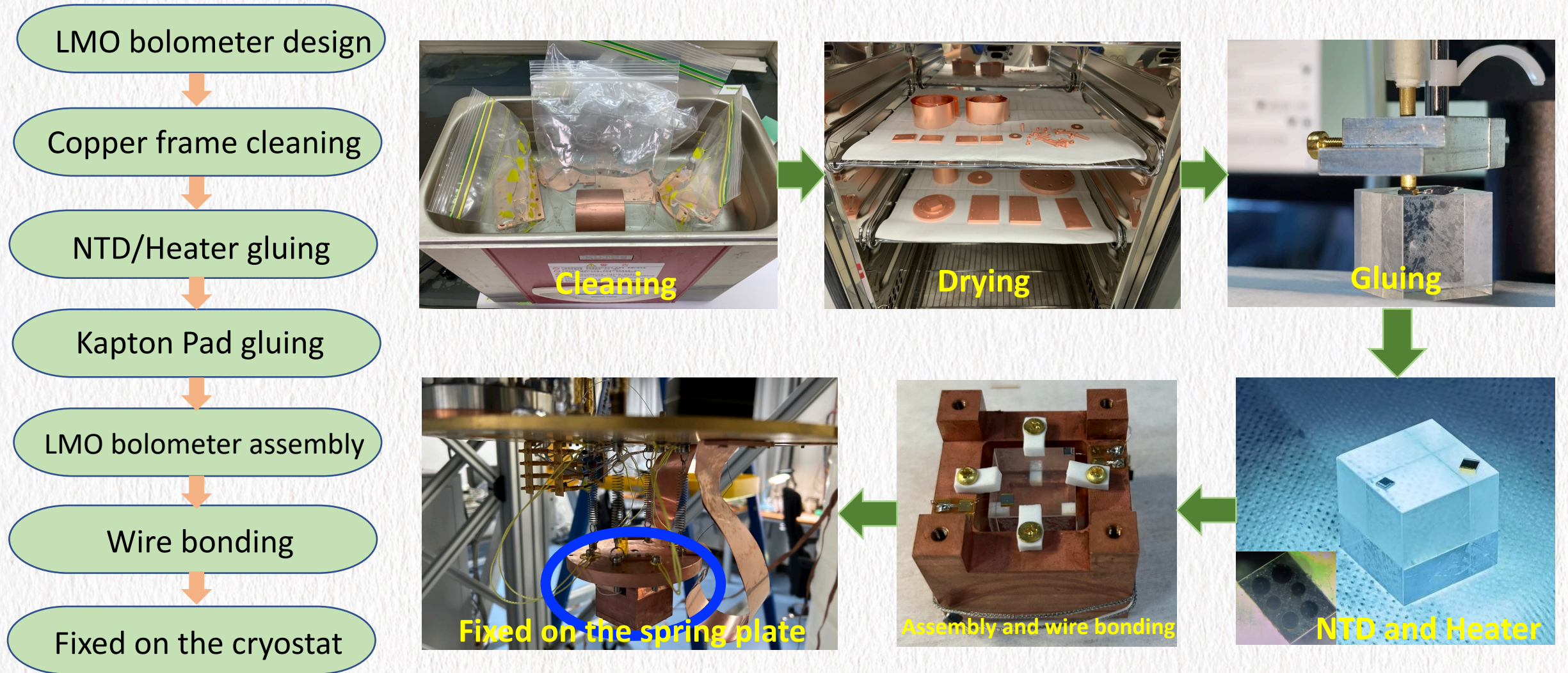
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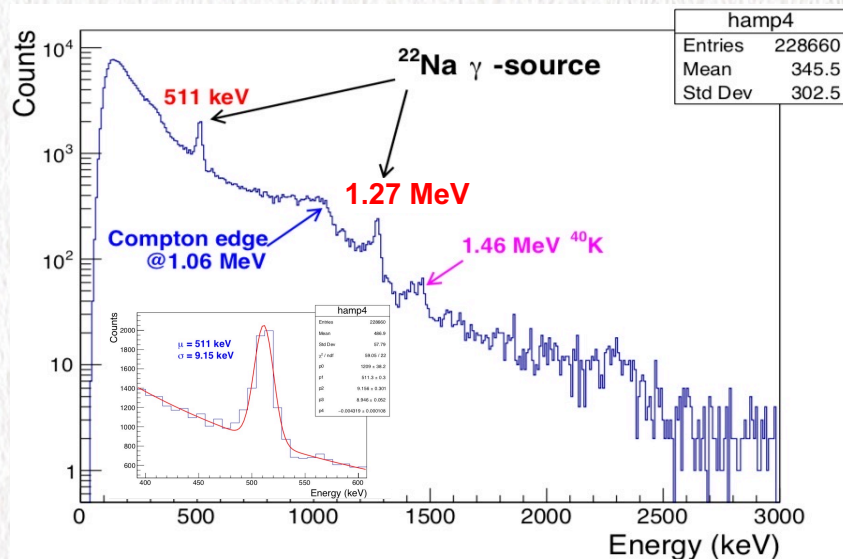
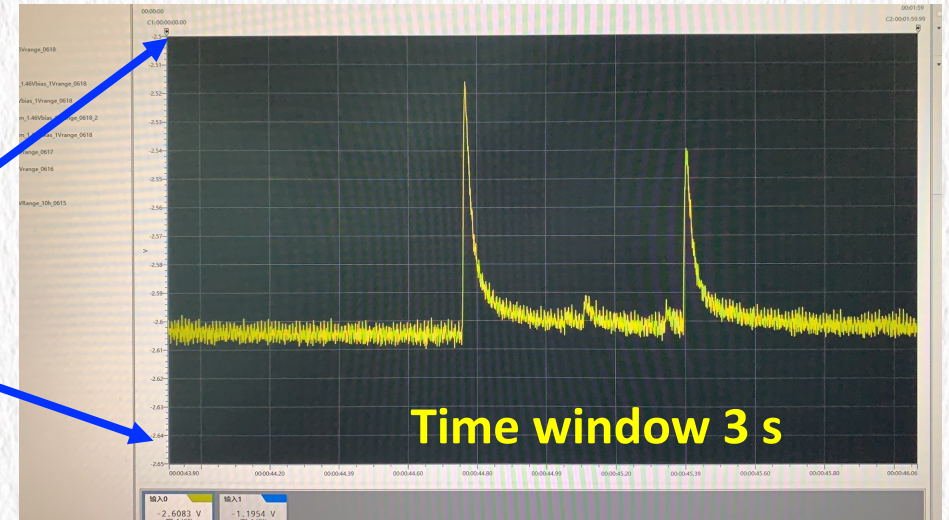
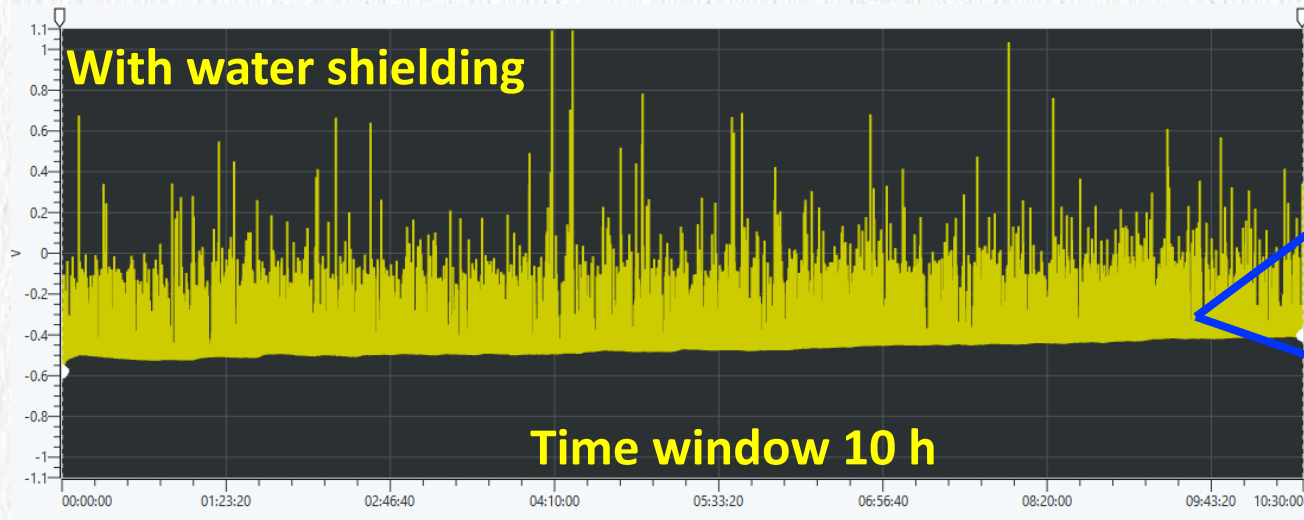


# Small LMO ( $2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^3$ ) bolometer I





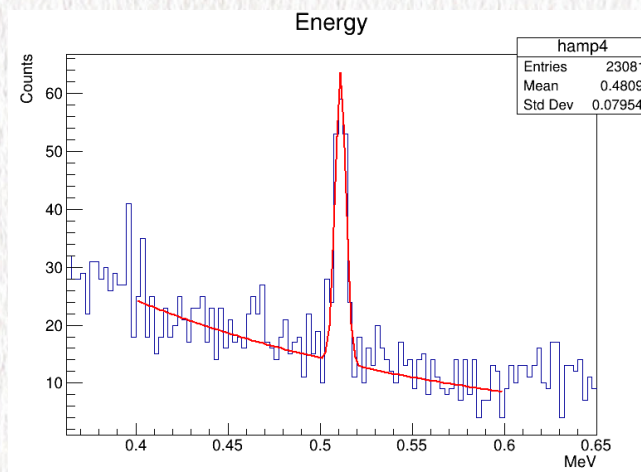
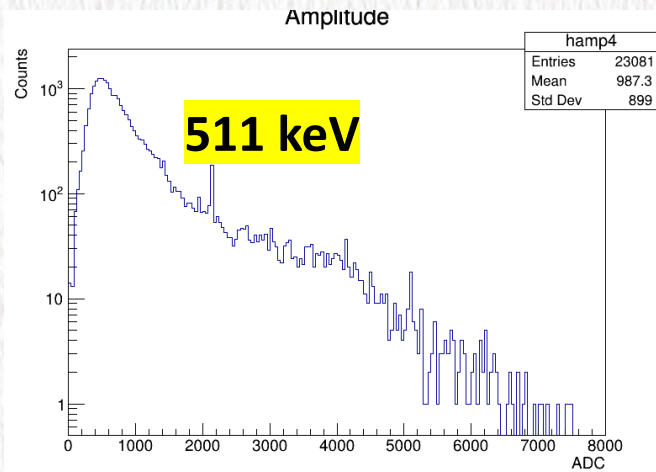
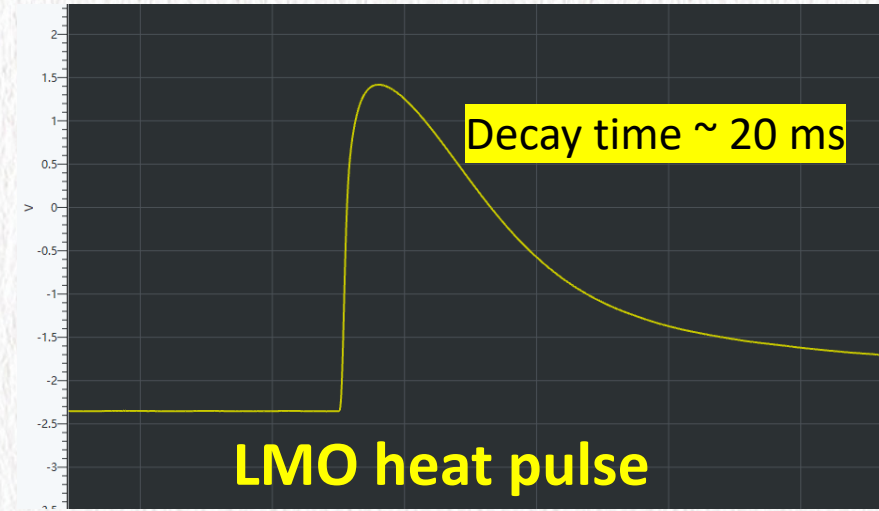
# LMO (2×2×2 cm<sup>3</sup>) bolometer test result



- \* Test at MC<10 mK, Spring plate ~18 mK
- \* NTD –Ge ~300 kΩ
- \* <sup>22</sup>Na: 511 keV, 1.27 MeV; <sup>40</sup>K: 1.46 MeV
- \* FWHM 21.5 keV@511 keV, 28.9 keV@1.27 MeV



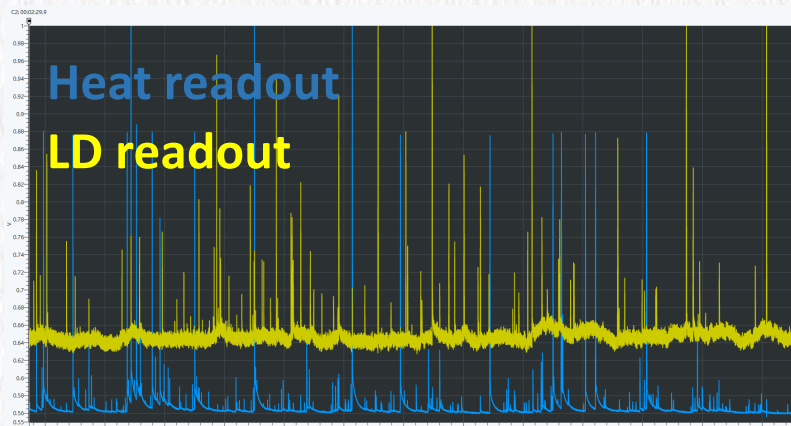
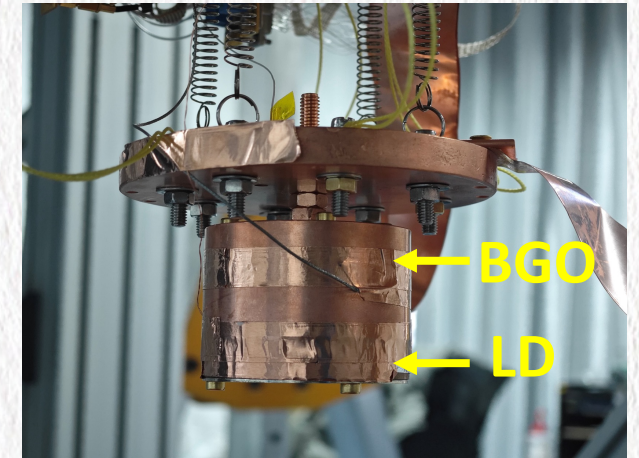
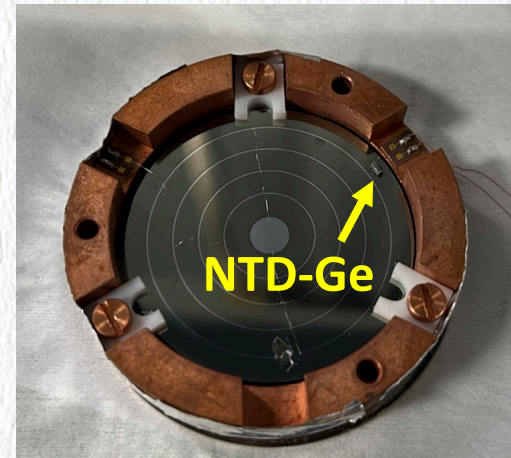
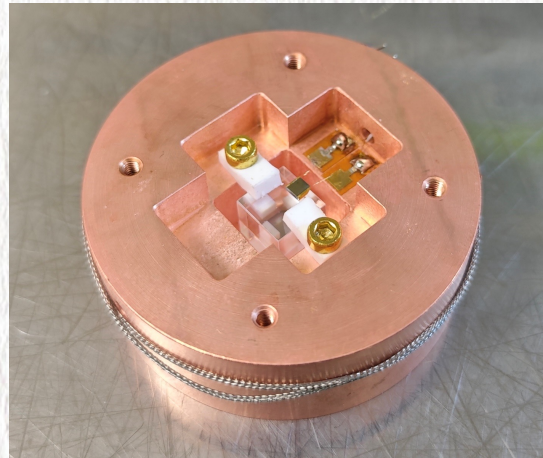
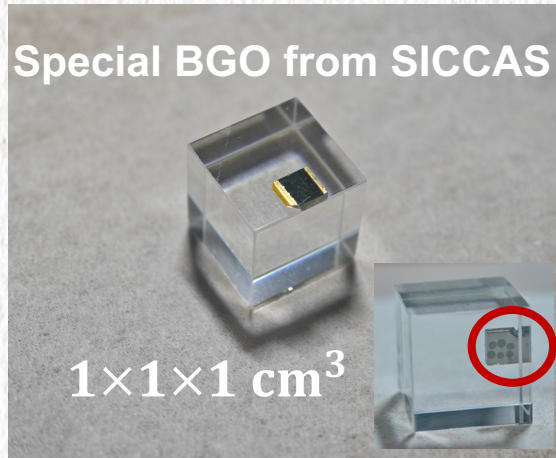
# Small LMO ( $1\times 1\times 1\text{ cm}^3$ ) bolometer II



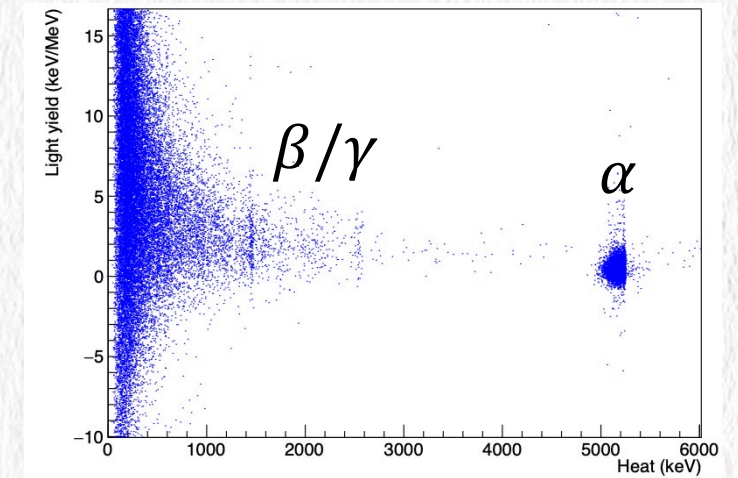
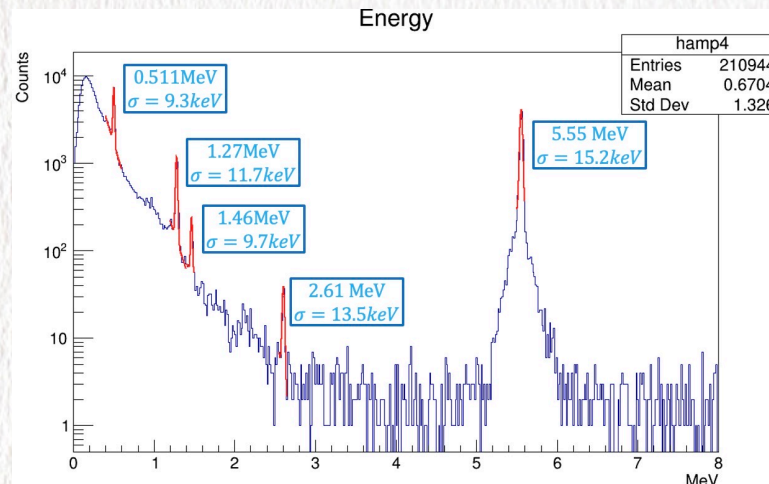
- \* Test at  $MC < 10\text{ mK}$ , Spring plate  $\sim 18\text{ mK}$
- \*  $R_{NTD} \sim 2\text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $V_{\text{bias}} = 3.5\text{ V}$ ,  $R_{\text{load}} = 2\text{ G}\Omega$
- \* FWHM  $7\text{ keV}@511\text{ keV}$
- \* Small crystal, low detection efficiency



# Quick glance of a BGO L-H double-readout bolometer R&D @USTC



Light-Heat double readout

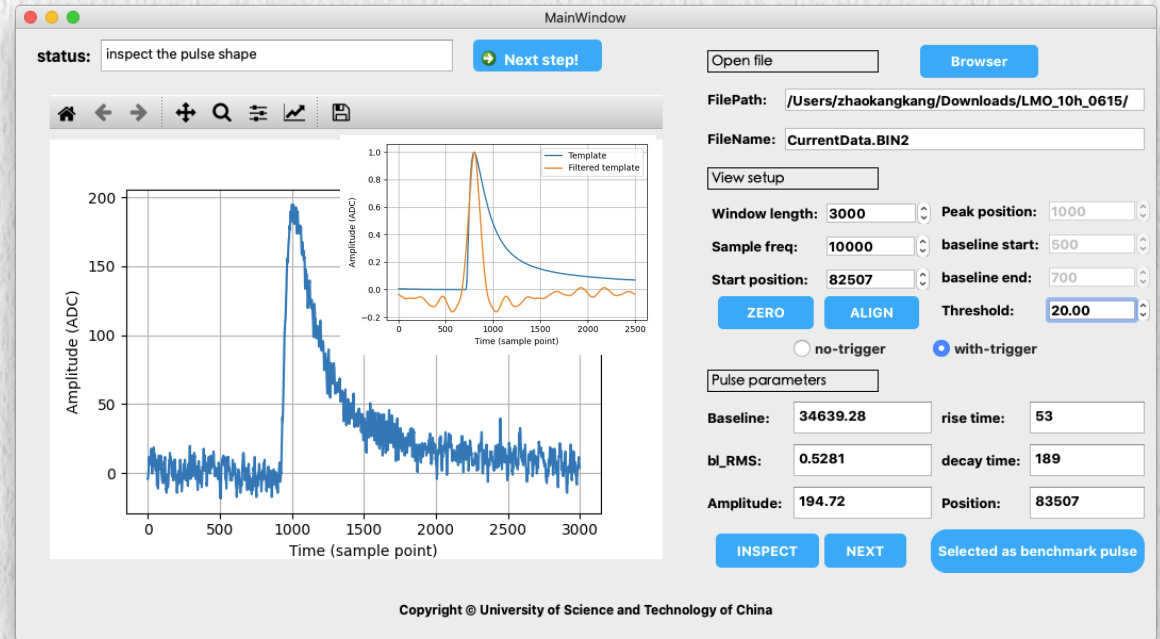
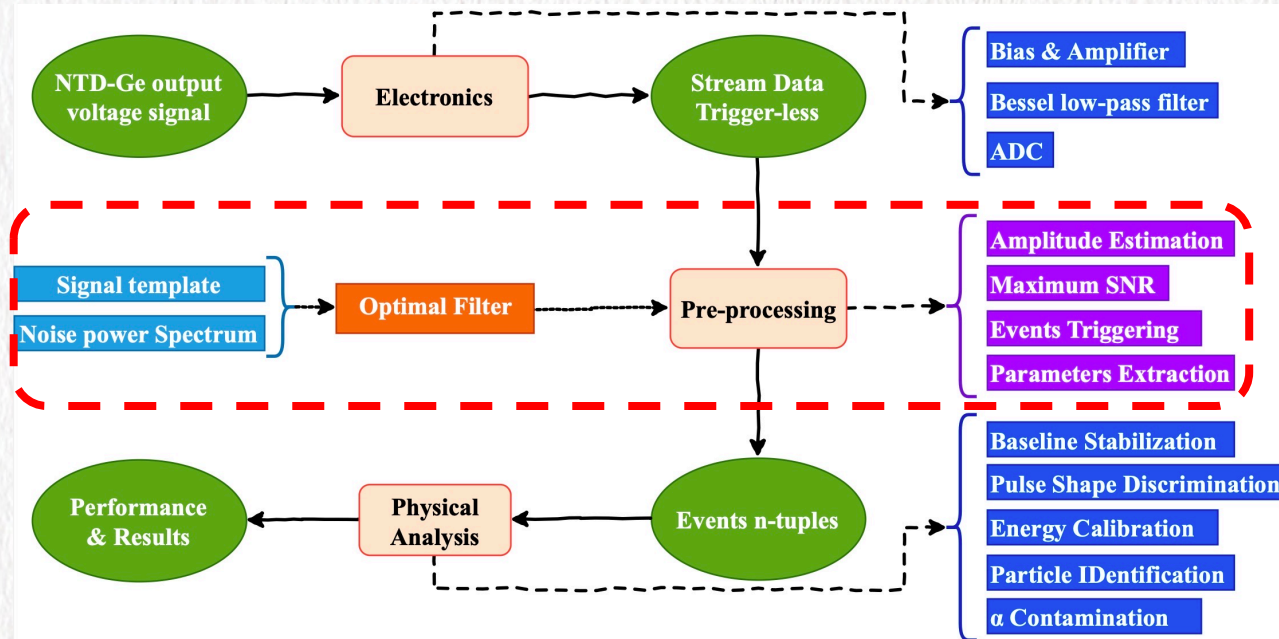


Poster 5-20: Measurement of alpha contamination of Po-210 using a BGO cryogenic bolometer, Deyong Duan, Mingxuan Xue, Haiping Peng



# Stream data processing software

- \* Collect triggerless stream data, python-based visualization software
- \* Exploit a matched filter, the Gatti-Manfredi optimum filter, **to maximize the signal to noise (S/N)** and to get the information about the pulse-shape parameters
- \* Amplitude, decay time, rise time, baseline, correlation, et al.





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**Oxford Triton 500@USTC, 2021**

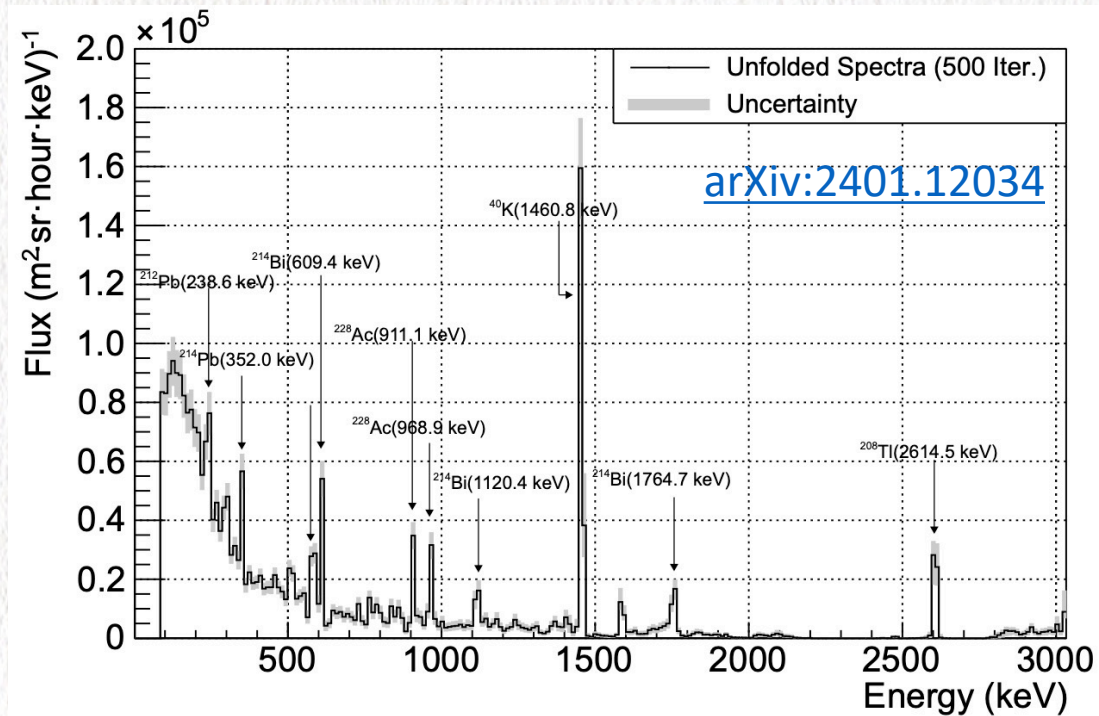
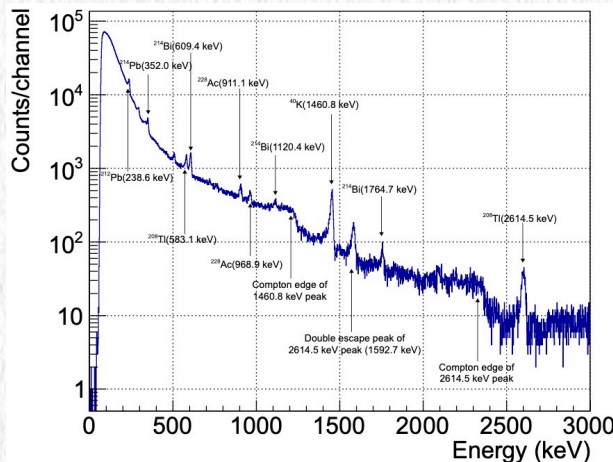


**Running with water shielding, reduce pile-up**

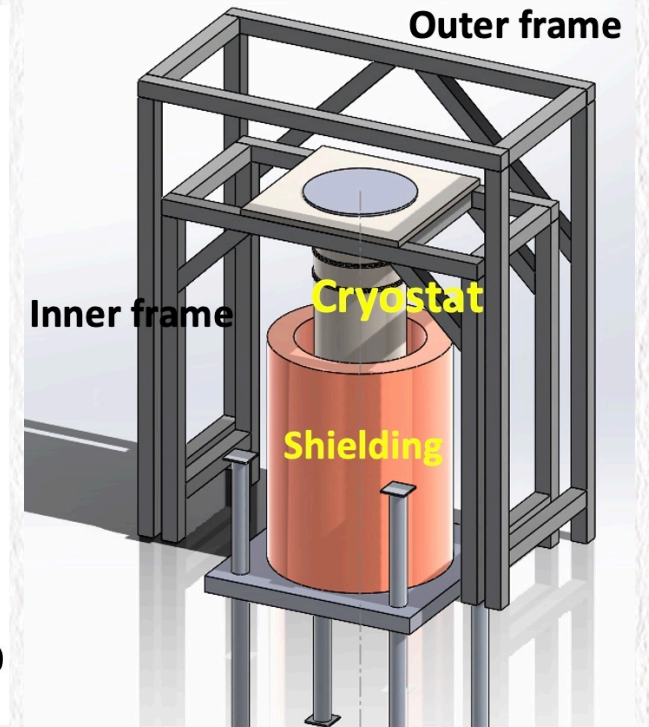


# Ground lab gamma flux

- \* CZT(CdZnTe) detector + unfolding method  $\rightarrow$  high gamma flux backgrounds
- \* Long decay time (hundreds ms)  $\rightarrow$  pile-up events  $\rightarrow$  shielding



Surrounding gamma flux backgrounds



Pb+Cu shielding, 2024



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