



Bratislava collaboration meeting

30th June to 3rd July, 2026

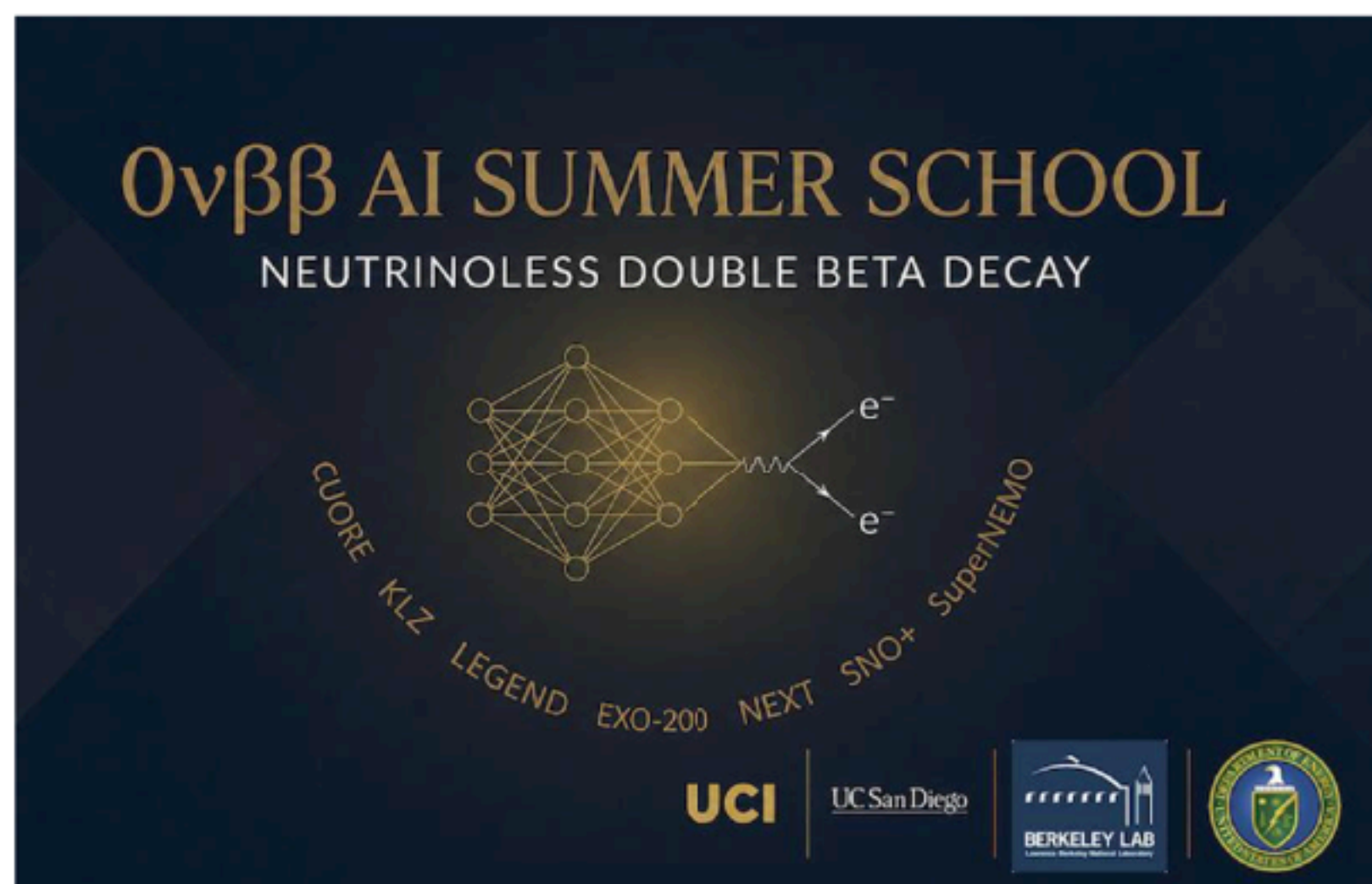


Cheryl Patrick & Christine Marquet



Lots to be proud of!

- 🌱 Detector running very smoothly - *Thank you shifters!*
- 🌱 Helium recycling working well - *Thank you Hichem and Elvis!*
- 🌱 Demonstrated radon level 10 times lower than NEMO-3
- 🌱 Small recent issues not our fault, and we recovered swiftly



$0\nu\beta\beta$

CUPID • AMoRE • LEGEND
NEXT • SuperNEMO
nEXO • XLZD • PandaX
KamLAND-Zen • SNO+ • JUNO • Theia
CANDLES • Selena • NuDoubt

- [See G. Orebi Gann's great summary!](#)
- My less well informed take: the field has spent a significant time developing detectors and methods, carrying out long term tests at intermediate scales, and is on the cusp of scaling
- An equally impressive campaign [still in progress \(J. Engel\)](#) to calculate $\beta\beta$ nuclear matrix elements for the nuclei of interest
- Many short term targets/landmarks to look forward to:
 - 2025-: SuperNEMO taking data
 - 2026: CUORE completed 10 year campaign
 - 2027: SNO+ ^{130}Te loading
 - 2028: KamLAND2-Zen DAQ start
 - 2028: Panda-20T physics data
 - 2028: LEGEND-200 3x current exposure

Neutrino 2026 highlights of the year, C Wilkinson

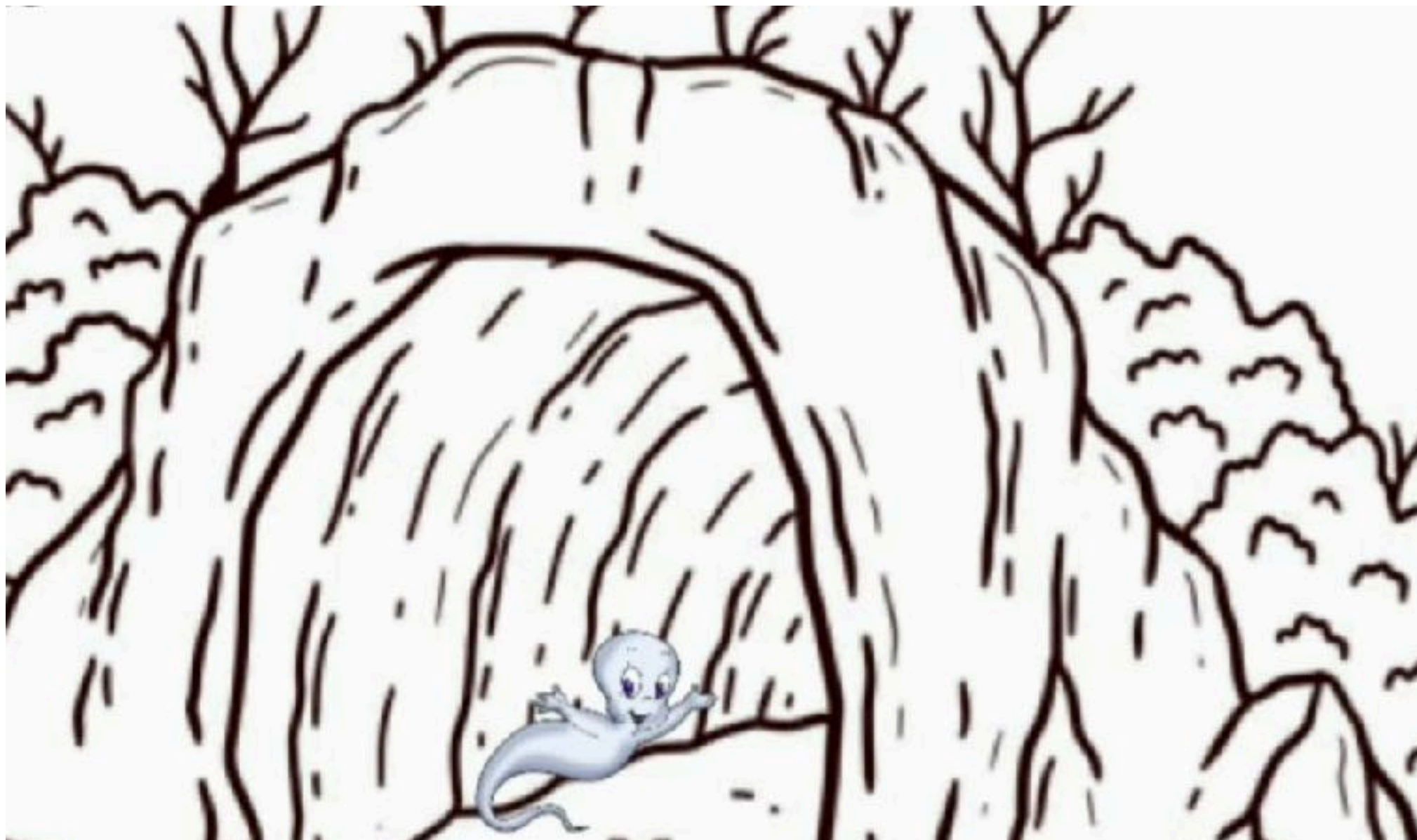
SuperNEMO is in the spotlight!



(uh, maybe not like that)

Two big issues

- Anti-radon factory still not working well
- Running scheduled to end this December



Our friendly ghost is not being so friendly

Progress on big meeting goals

- How to make the best of our remaining run time
- Will a short running extension help us?
- How to improve the radon situation

Important work to do - but big payoffs possible

Proposal - SuperNEMO meets IN2P3 in October

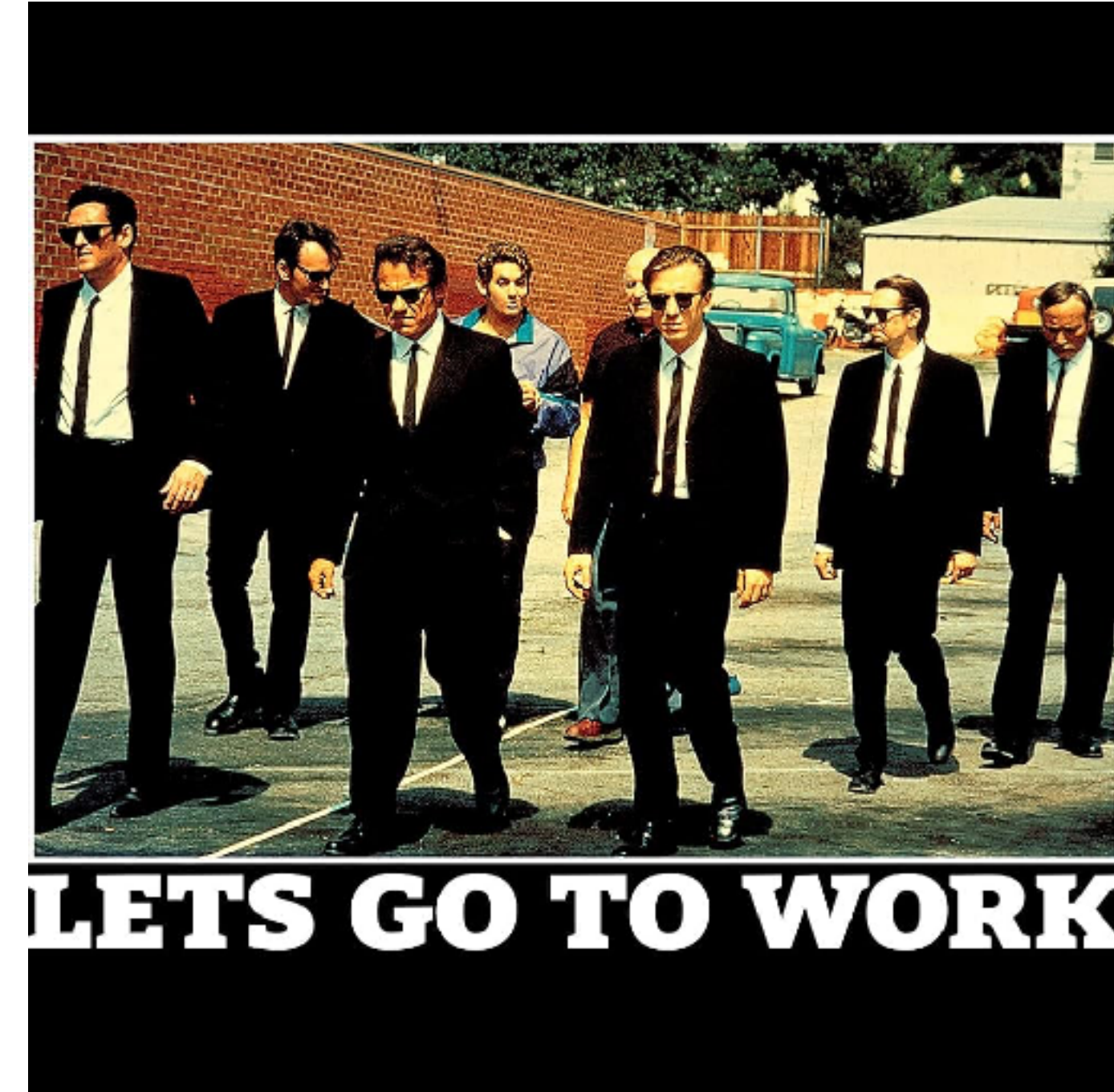
Should we request more runtime?

What would we gain from the extra time:

- **Physics** (world's best measurements / limits / discoveries)
- **Technology demonstrations** e.g. radiopurity, energy resolution...

How can we prove we are **already doing good physics**?

Work needed from everyone before October to prove to ourselves - and the world - what SuperNEMO is capable of



Intense work period in September - expect 2 analysis meetings per week!

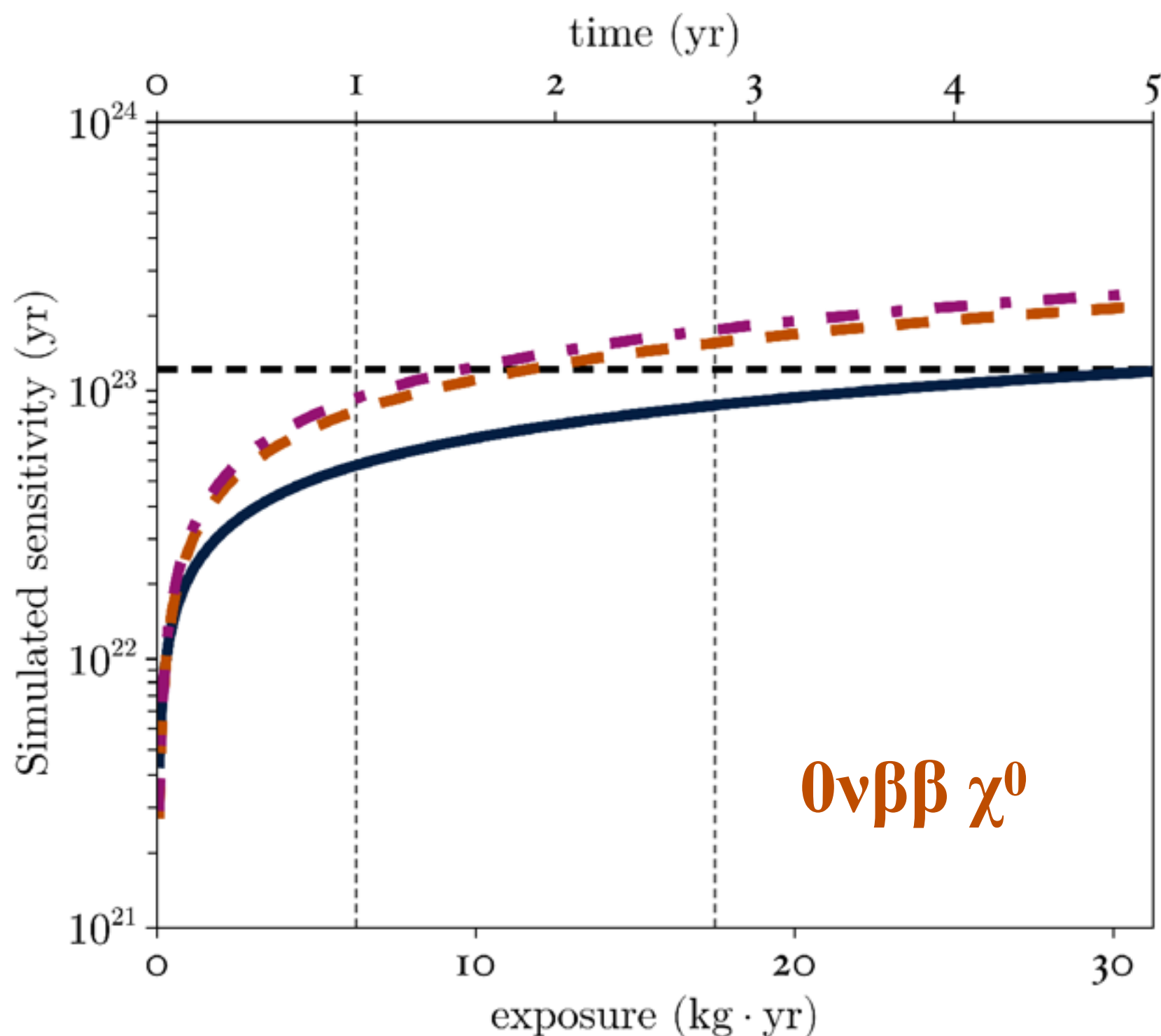
Technology demonstration

- **^{214}Bi and ^{208}Tl source foil contamination**
 - Results this summer from Antoine
 - **How much data do we need to characterise the individual source foils?**
- **Radon** - How close can we get to our target of $0.15 \text{ mBq} / \text{m}^3$?
 - **Needs consistent low radon** from ARF (for how long?)
 - Test with maximum flow rate 17lpm (pure helium)
 - No extra runtime needed (if ARF works)
- **Energy & time resolution**
 - Enough data already, lots of work done!
- **Magnetic coil**
 - Won't improve our physics sensitivity
 - Currently no helical track reconstruction
 - Suggestion: **turn on for short period with ^{207}Bi sources** at end of run; see if it affects energy resolution

Physics potential: $0\nu\beta\beta$ exotic modes

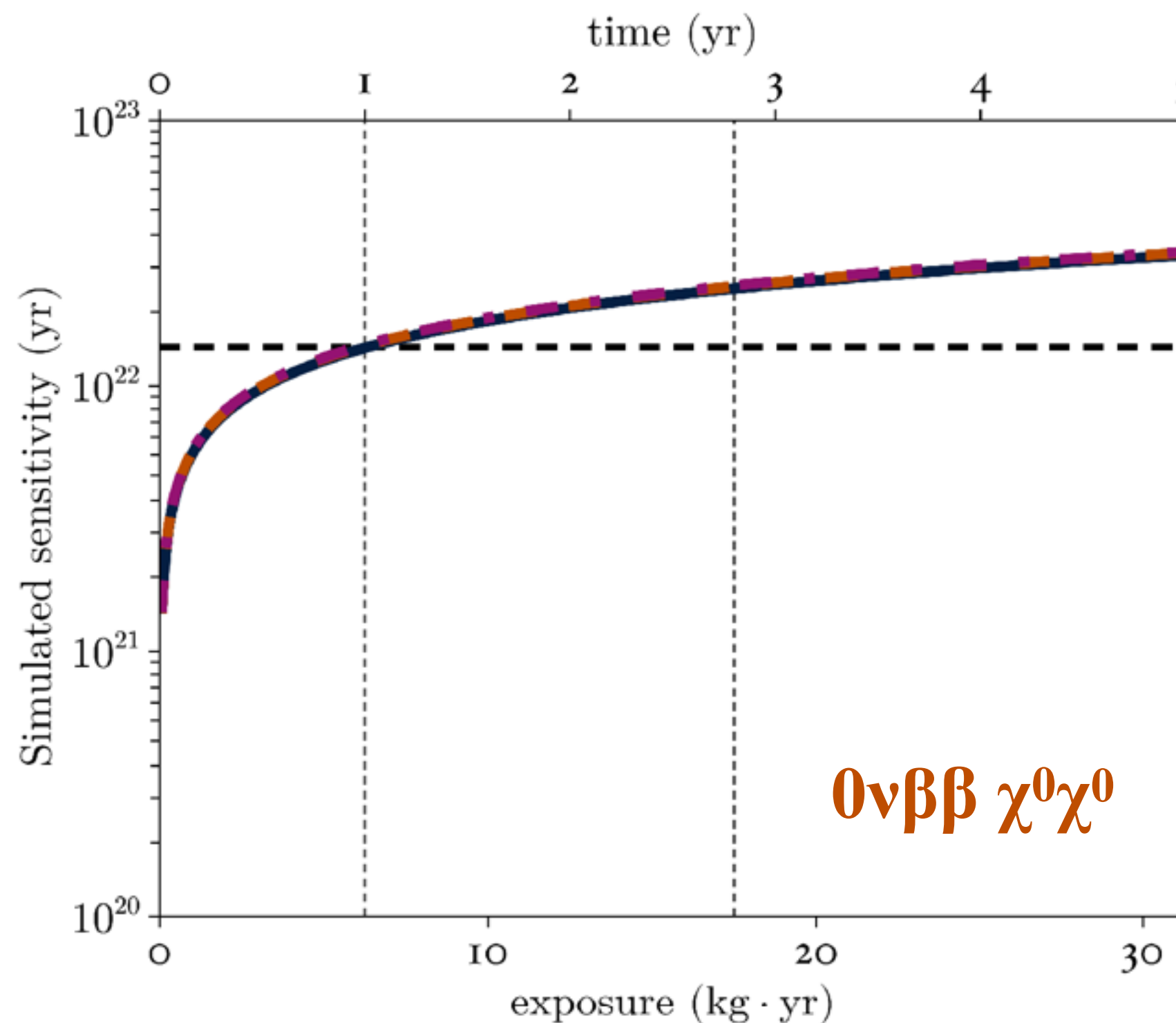
Thank you Maroš

Simulated SuperNEMO sensitivity to $0\nu\beta\beta\chi^0$ decay

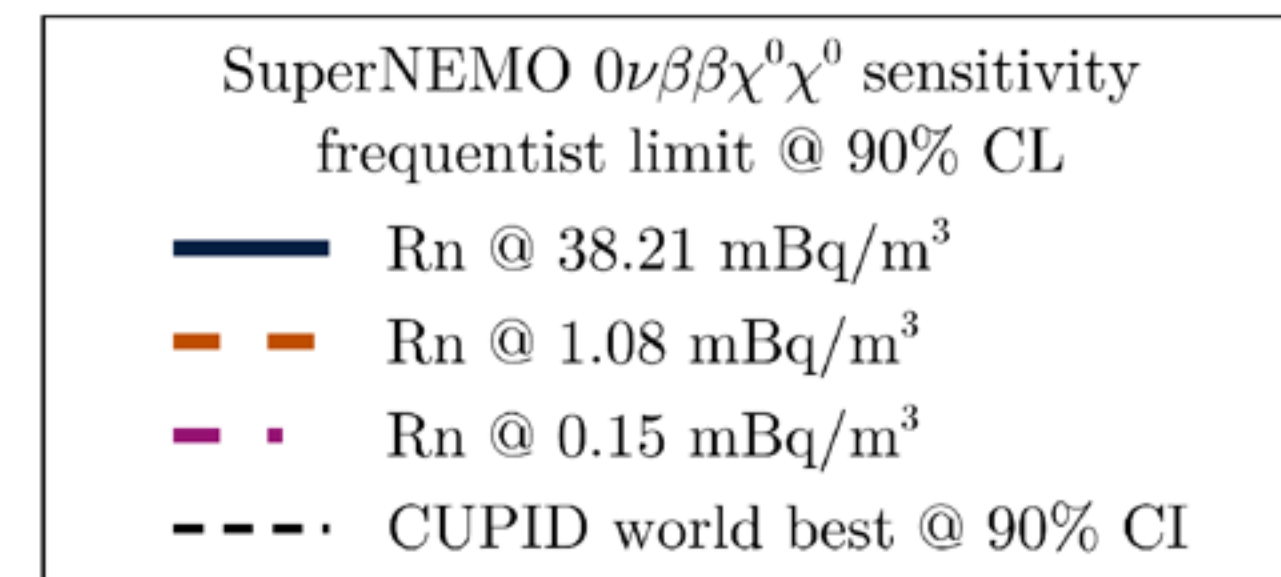


World's best at > 2 yrs running
(radon-dependent)

Simulated SuperNEMO sensitivity to $0\nu\beta\beta\chi^0\chi^0$ decay



World's best at > 1 yr running
(not radon-dependent)



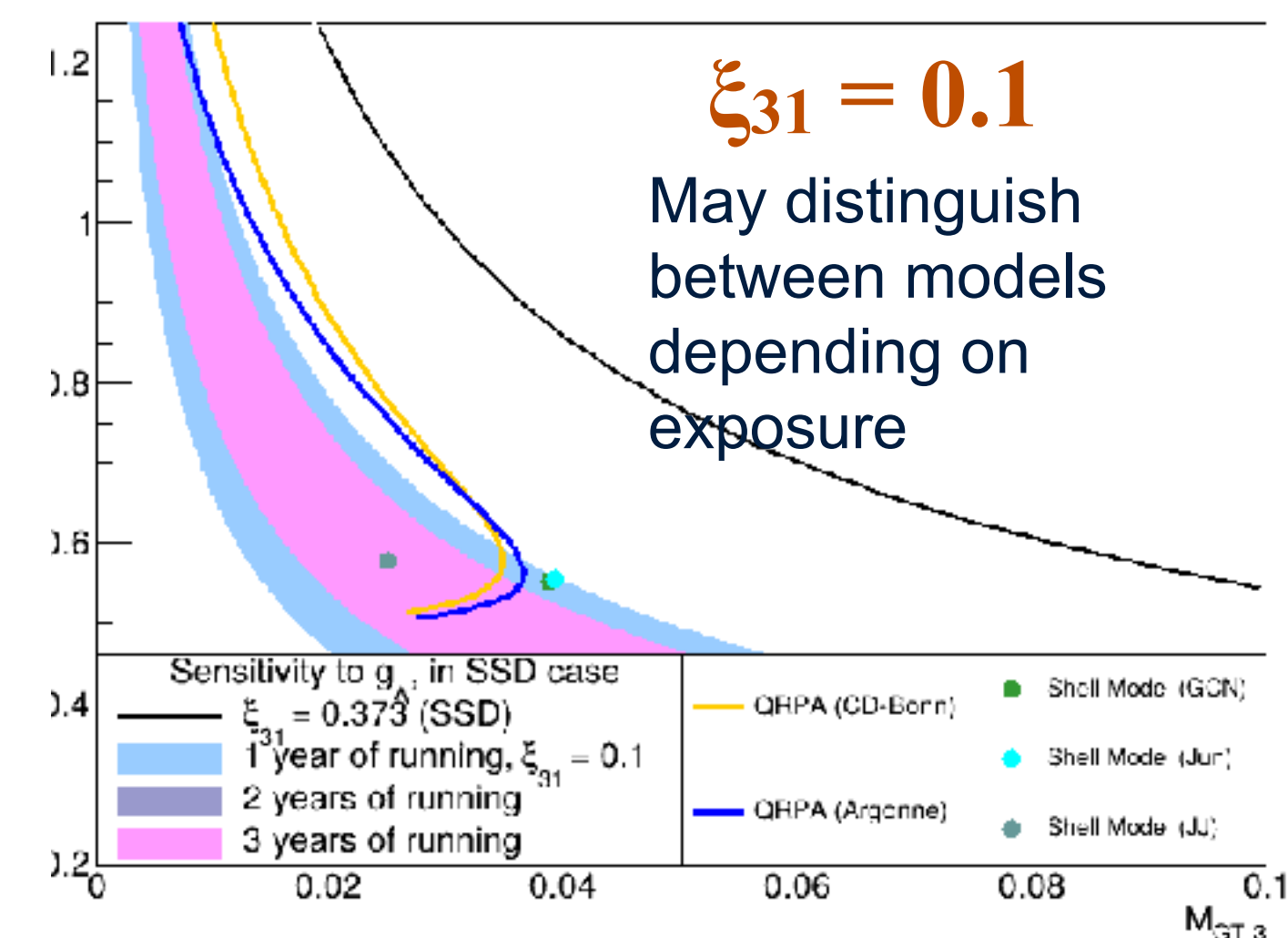
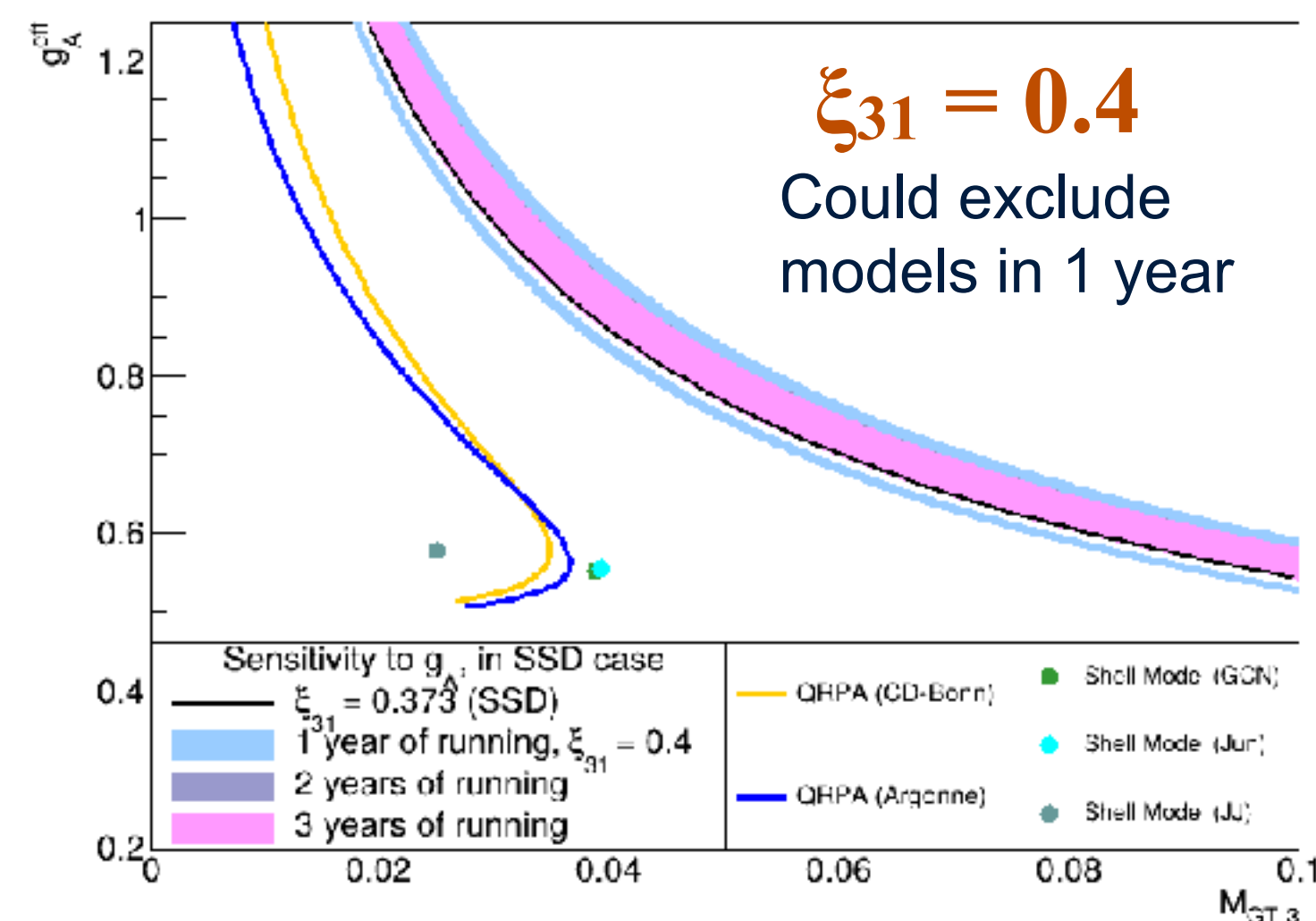
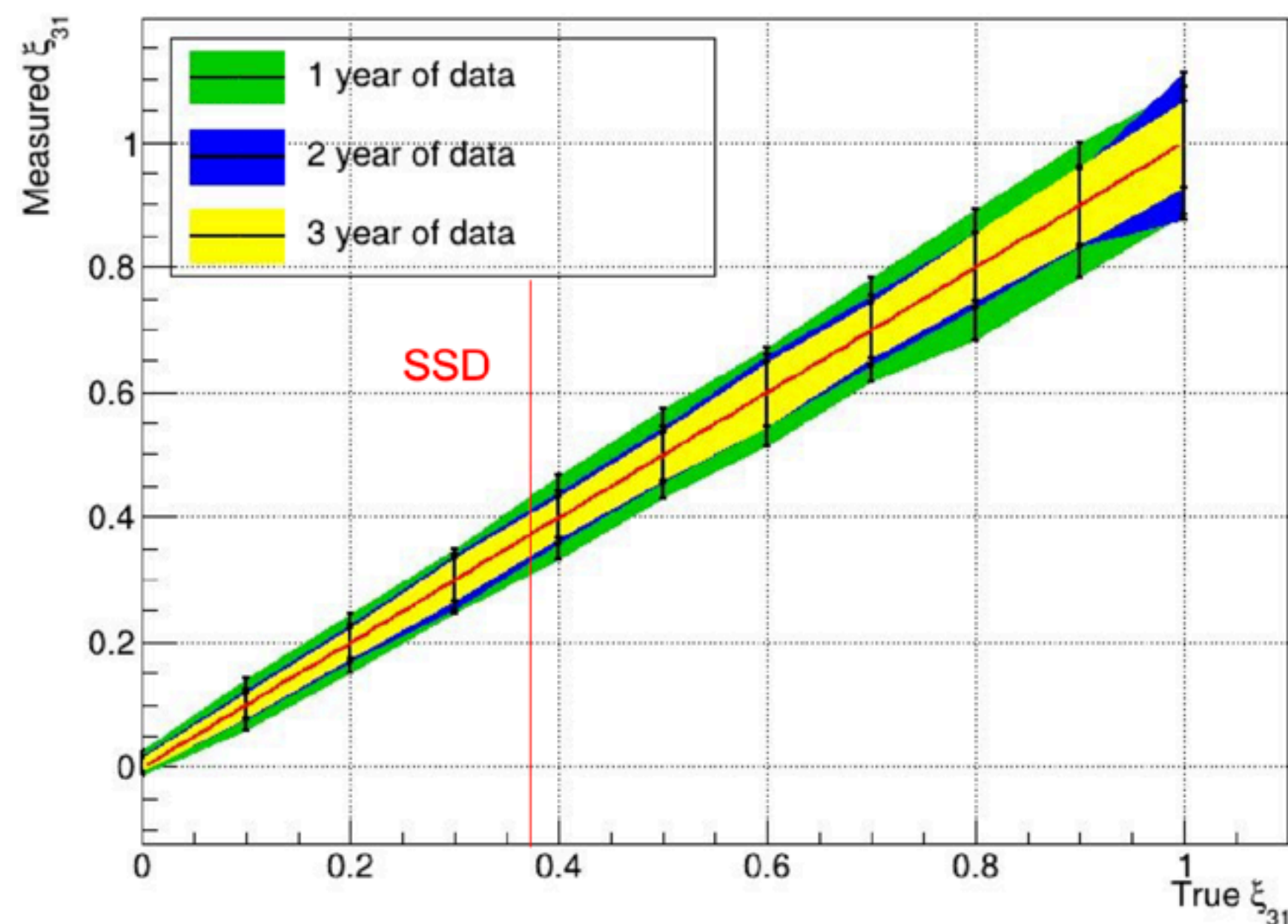
$0\nu\beta\beta$ (V+A) -
Can we be competitive?

And what about rare ^{207}Bi decays...?

Other physics potential: g_A

Good sensitivity maybe possible 1 year of data!

Whether we need more runtime depends on ξ_{31} value measured



Targets for October:

- Implement backgrounds in sensitivity fit (including radon)
- Make preliminary data fit
- Consider simultaneous fit (both electrons, lower-energy, higher-energy)

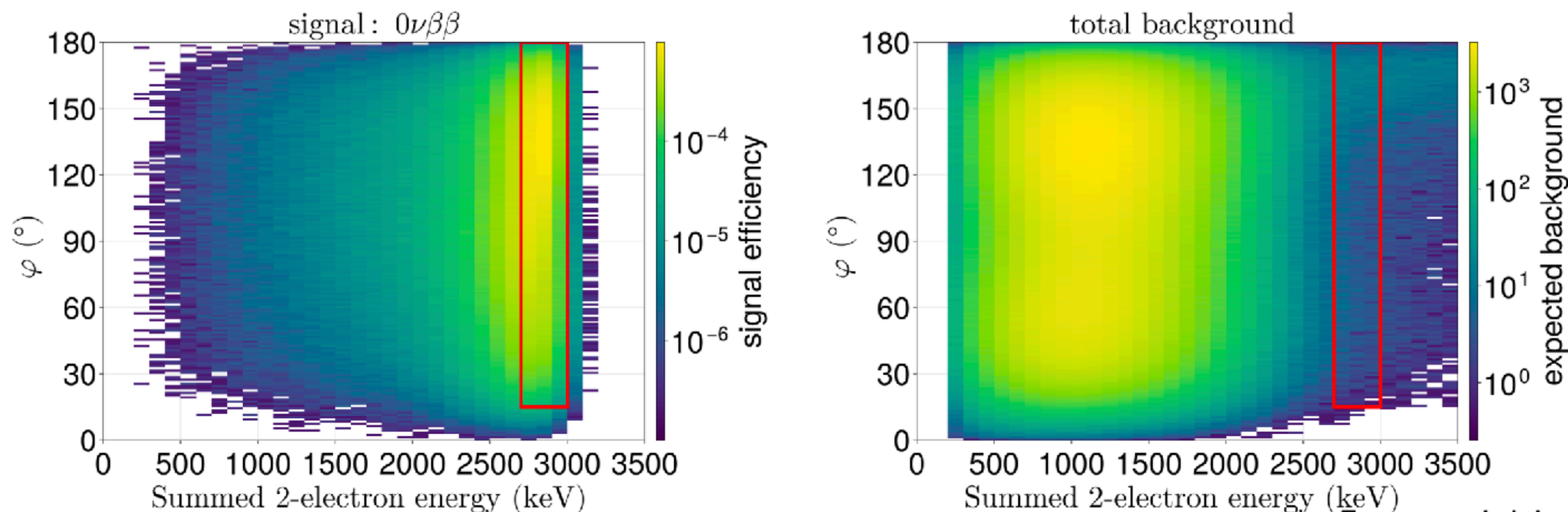
Goals for presenting in October

- $2\nu\beta\beta$ preliminary measurement
- Neutron background (and muon?)
- g_A first measurement and sensitivity
- Radon level
- Source foil ^{214}Bi and ^{208}Tl contamination
- $0\nu\beta\beta\chi^0\chi^0$ preliminary search?
- Sensitivities for all exotic processes (V+A?)

What else can we do?

Workshop - measurements, sensitivities and limits

For a collection of variables find the best *ROI* which maximizes $T^{1/2}$.



Thank you very much Maroš for a very useful training!

Publication opportunities for this year!

- Cimrman (Tomáš, Miro)
- Cosmogenics (Laurent)
- ^{207}Bi activities (Miro)
- Source foils (Andrea, Christine)
- External gammas (Xalbat)
- LSM neutron flux (Sam, Cheryl)
- Muon studies (Cheryl, Sam, Katherine)
- Tracker (Anastasia, UK team)



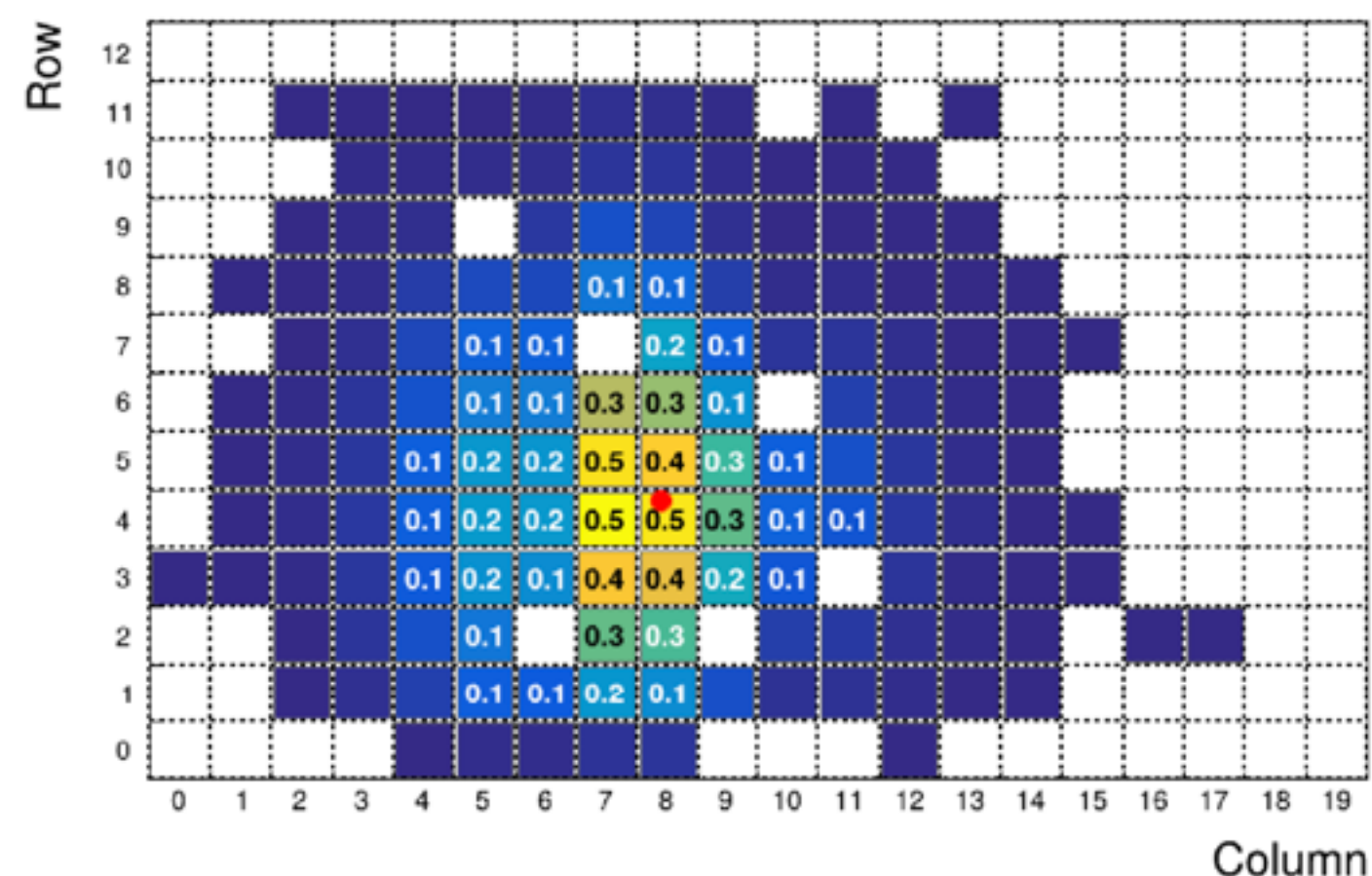
Publishing papers is a huge benefit for all of us!

Conference opportunities

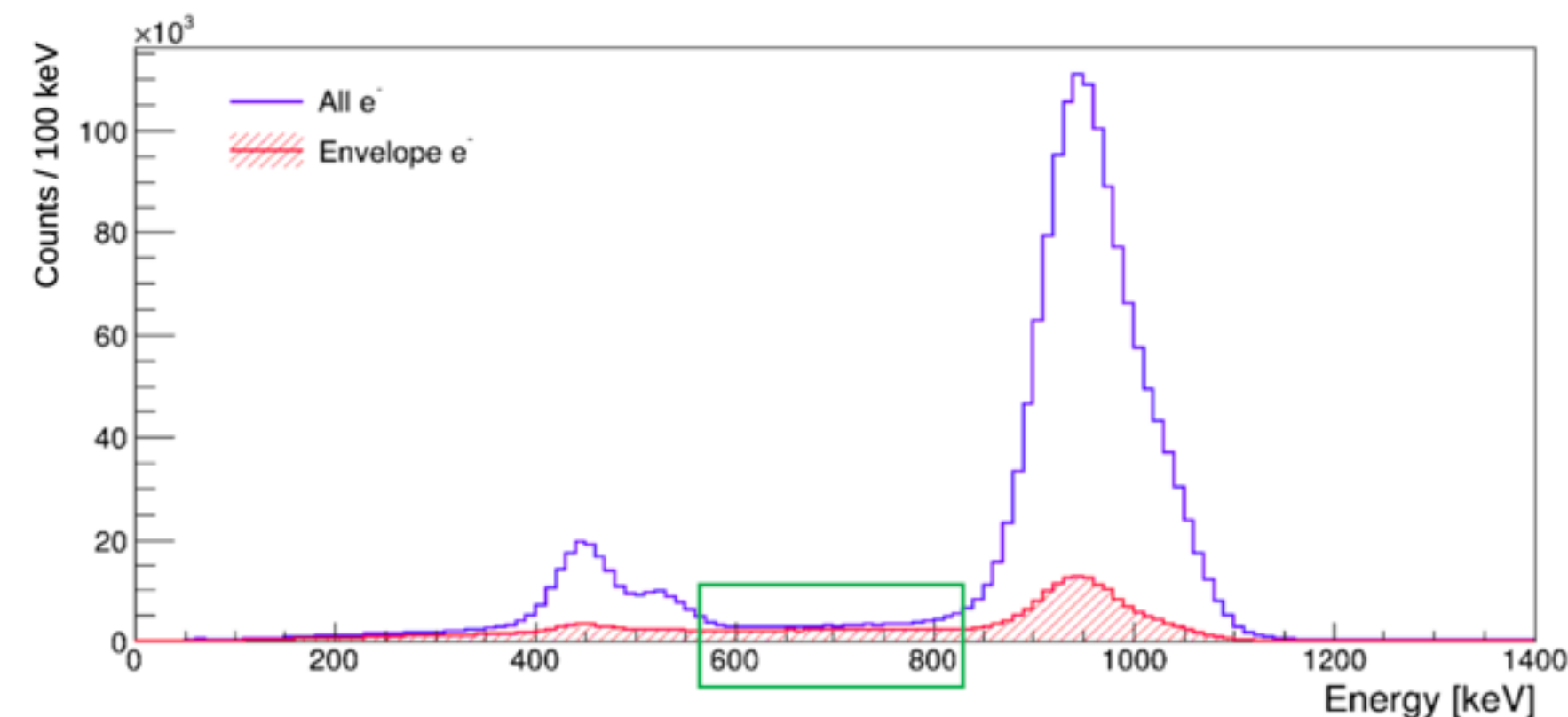
Conference	Dates	Location	Submission deadline
ICHEP 2026 Speaker needed! https://ic hep2026.org/	30 th July – 5 th August 2026	Natal, Brazil	23 rd July 2026 (registration)
APS Division of Nuclear Physics (DNP) 2026 https://www.aps.org/events/2026/dnp-2026	11 th – 14 th October 2026	Philadelphia Marriott, Philadelphia, USA	31 st July 2026
2026 International Workshop on Baryon and Lepton Number Violation (BLV2026) https://indico.wlab.yale.edu/event/906/overview	22 nd – 24 th October 2026	Yale, New Haven, USA	No deadline
25th International Workshop on Next Generation Nucleon Decay & Neutrino Detectors (NNN26) https://indico.neutrino.or.kr/event/514/page/20-overview	26 th – 30 th October 2026	Chung-Ang University, Seoul, Republic of Korea	Not yet known
4th International Conference on Neutrinos and Dark Matter (NuDM 2026) https://indico.cern.ch/event/1609263/overview	14 th – 17 th December 2026	Aswan, Egypt	1 st August 2026

Great work on calibrating and understanding our detector!

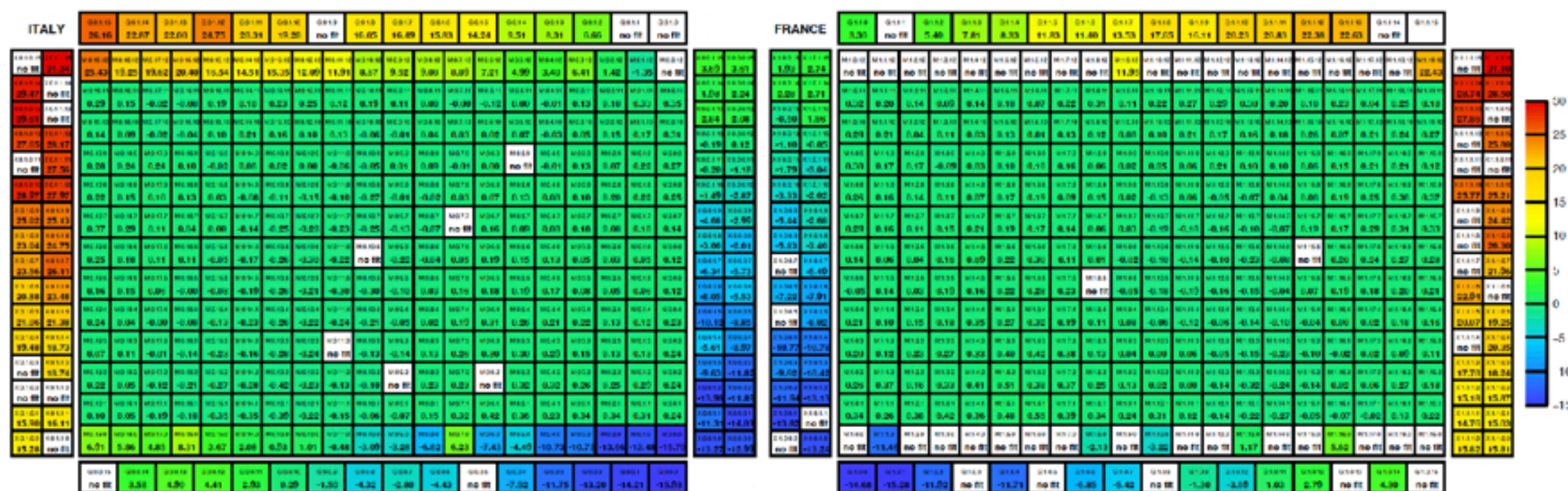
Kyrylo - detector efficiency



Yaroslava - explaining ²⁰⁷Bi plateau



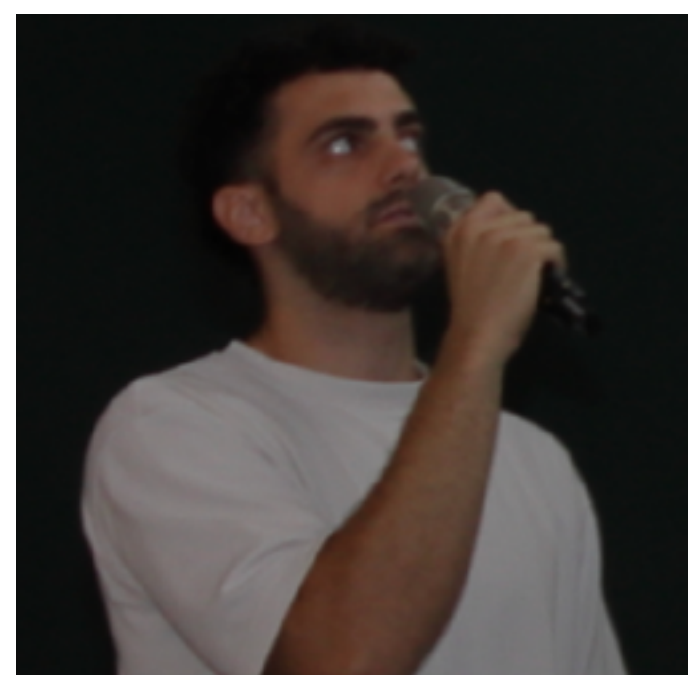
Elvis - timing calibration with gammas



Summer plans:
 Andrew - further studies on ²⁰⁷Bi plateau
 Aryak - Radon measurements with e-γ events
 Katherine - sensitivity to muons
 Oleksandra - Cimrman optimisation

Our brave heros, Mathis and Antoine

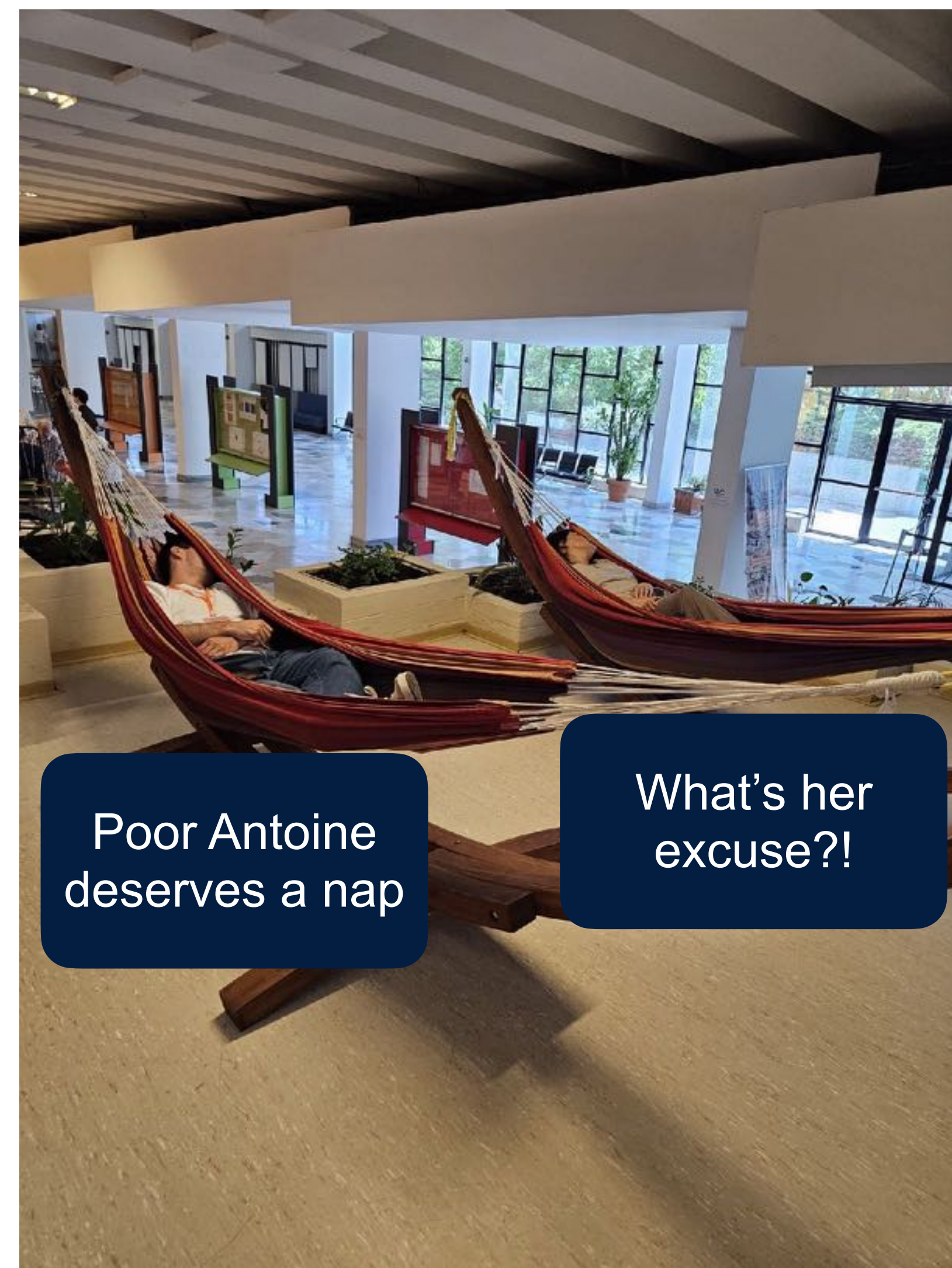
- Radon measurements
- ^{214}Bi measurements
- Tracker gas composition
- Source foil geometry
- New source-foil-bulk generator



- Calibration
- Thresholds (with Raphaël)
- Geometrical corrections (with Raphaël)
- $\beta\beta$ measurement
- Crossing-electron backgrounds



Most talks in a SuperNEMO meeting

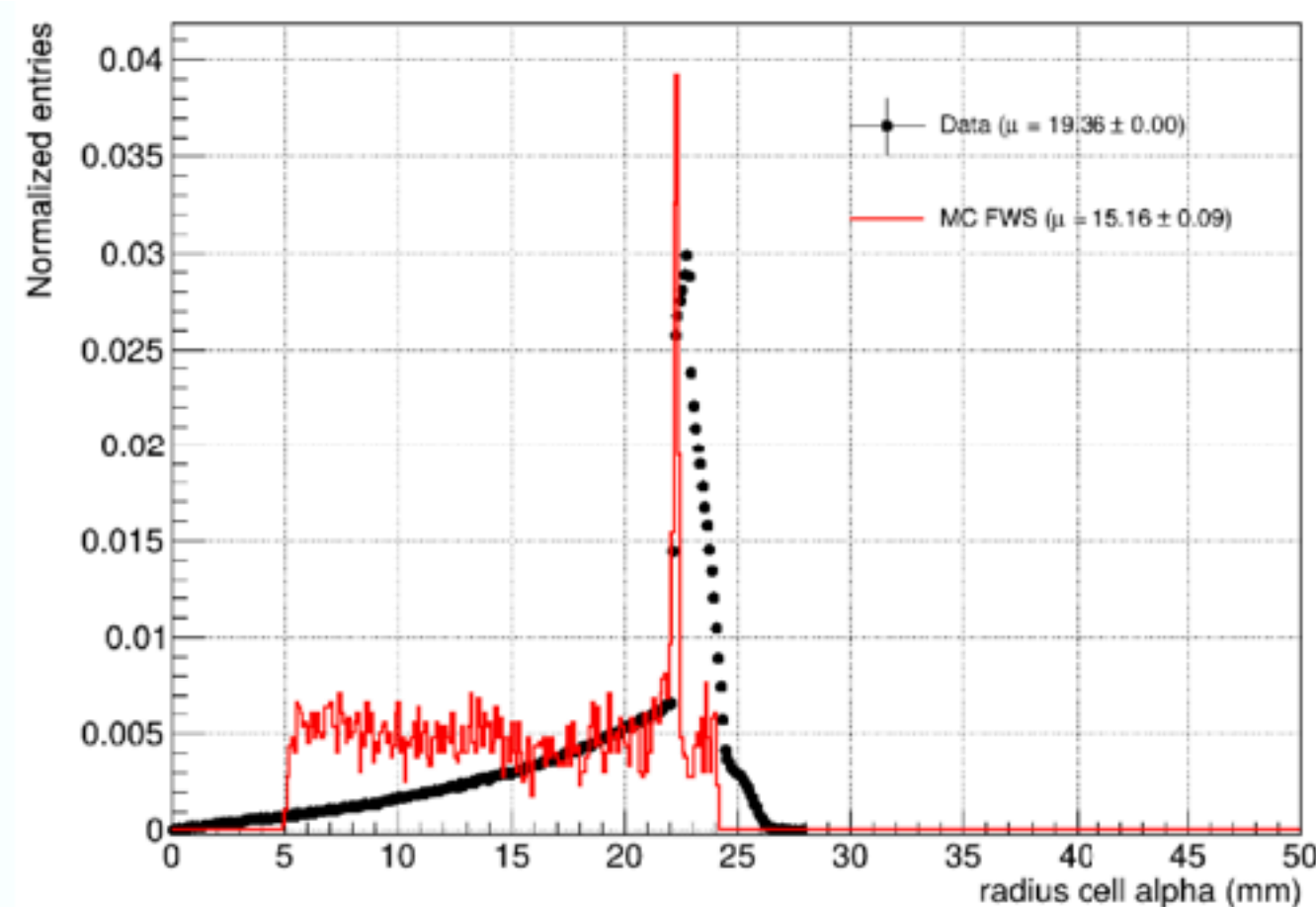


Poor Antoine deserves a nap

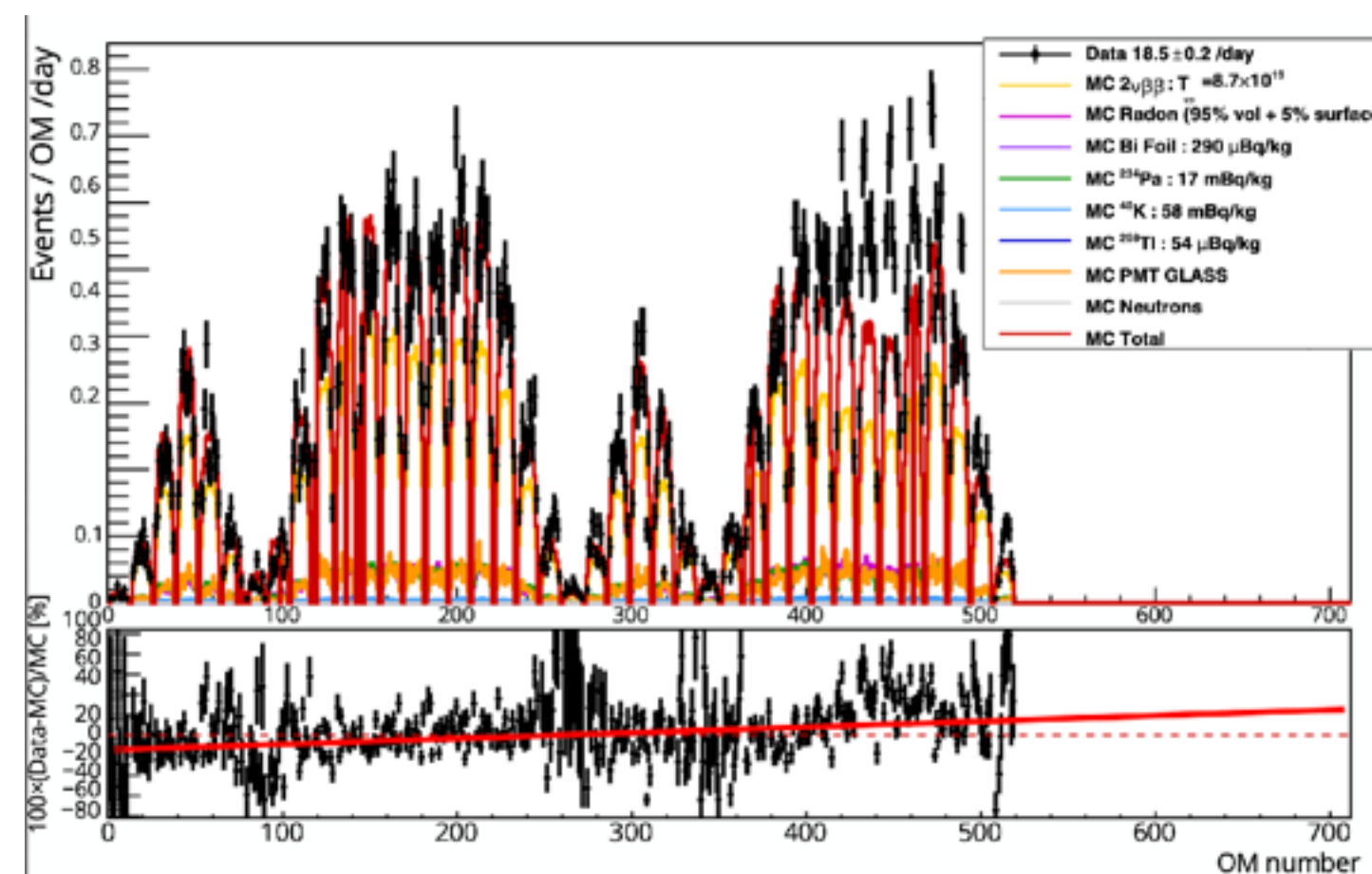
What's her excuse?!

Mysteries to solve

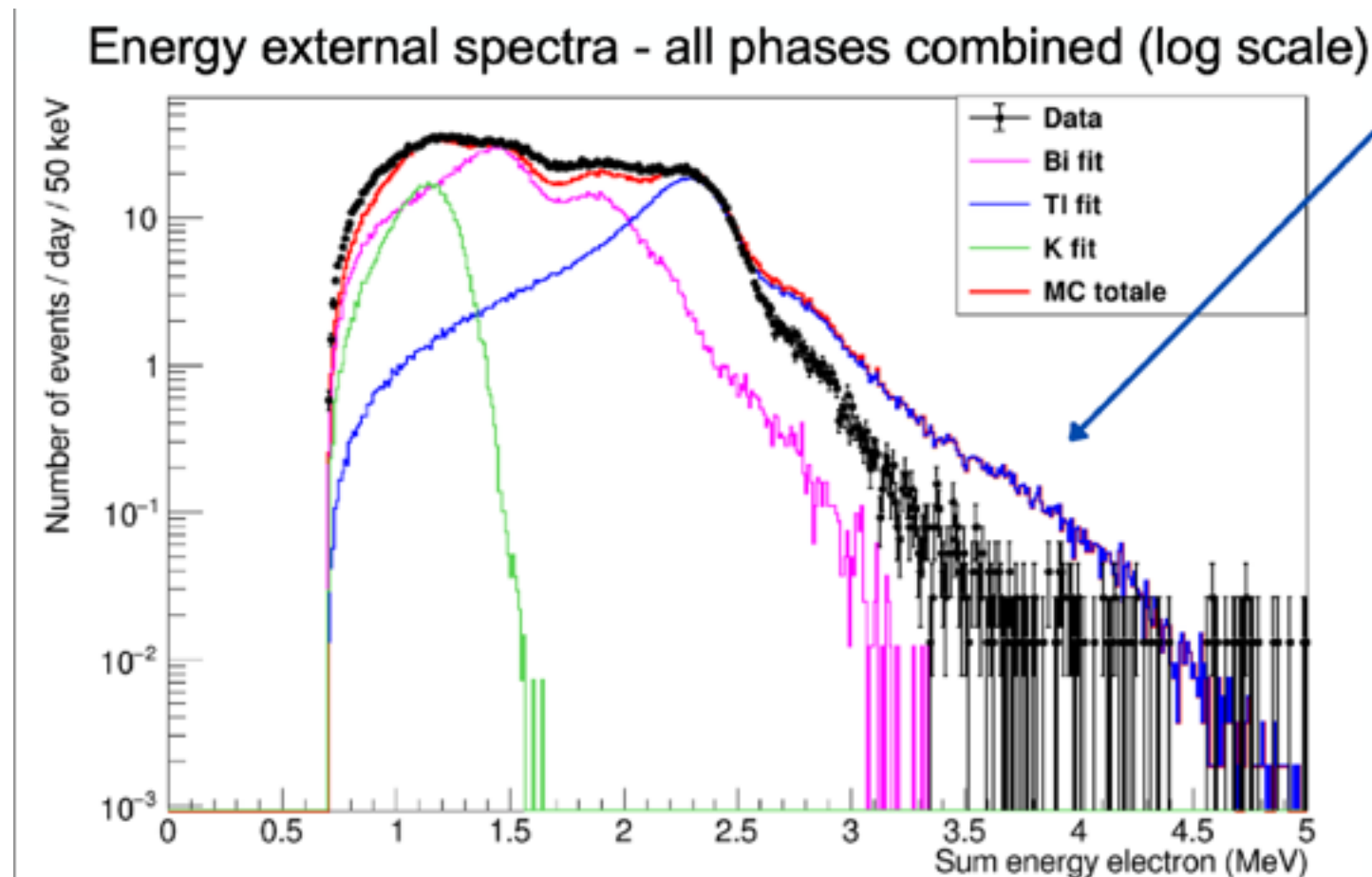
Why is the alpha cell radius distribution in MC so different from data? (Antoine radon talk)



What's the data/MC discrepancy for some OMs? (Mathis $\beta\beta$ talk)



What's the high-energy data/MC discrepancy? (Mathis crossing-electron talk)



Software progress - and still more to come!

Unified reconstruction pipeline coming next week, thanks to Xalbat & Mathis (Yves to help with disk space optimisation)

Huge step forward in making it easier for analysers to work with our data!

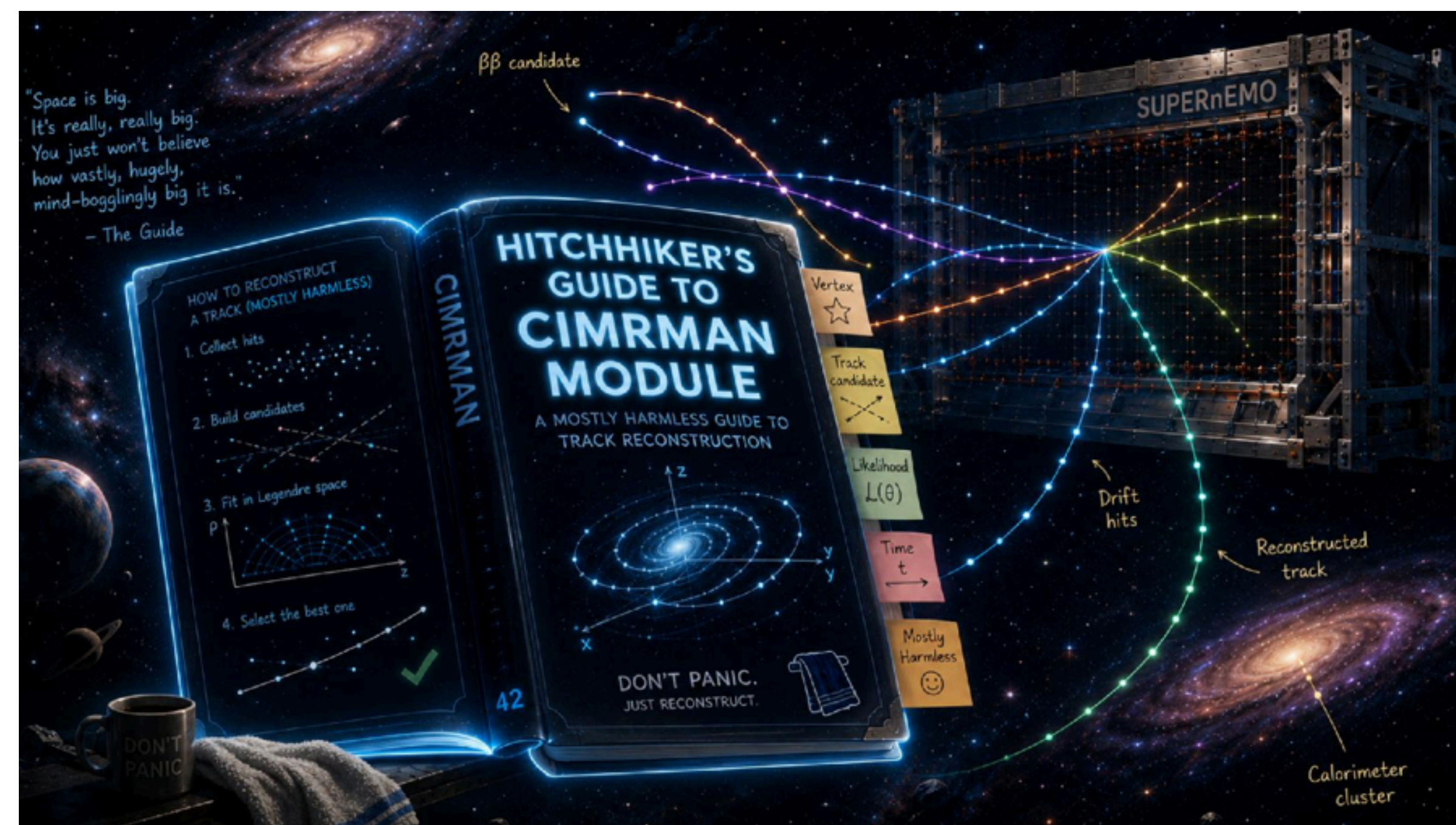
Included in this release:

- Bulk source foil generator

For the next release:

- z reconstruction
- Realistic bent source foils
- Dynamic thresholds
- Optical correction algorithm (γ)
- γ timing corrections

Thank you François & Robert!



Thank you Tomas for fantastic Cimirman reconstruction

Maggie is standing in for Lascar!



Thank you to Pavel, Robert, Jakub and their team!



What a lovely meeting!
What a beautiful city!
What amazing hosts!
And great food, too :)

Upload your photos:

<https://msprvkff.smugmug.com/upload/cDGbCs/2026Bratislava>

See you again soon!

Next meeting plan:



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Winter 2026/7



Get ready to PARTY and celebrate SuperNEMO!



