



ECHo Experiment



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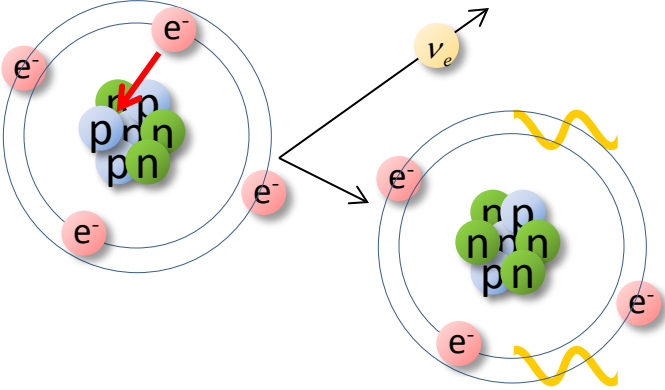


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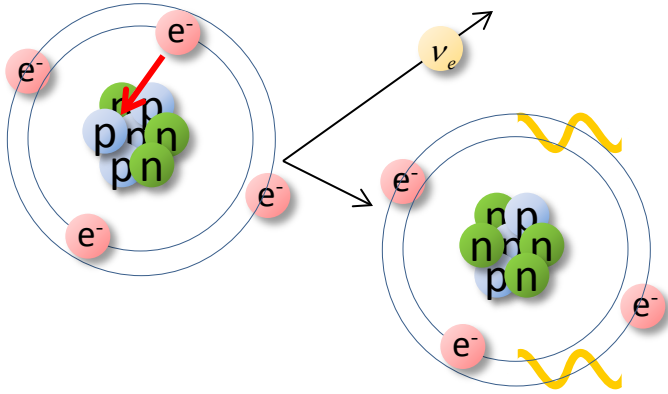


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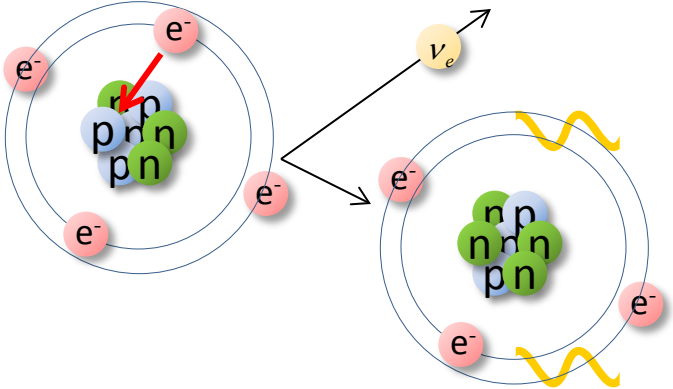


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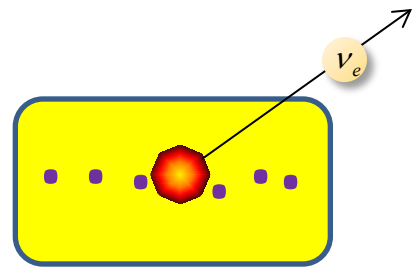
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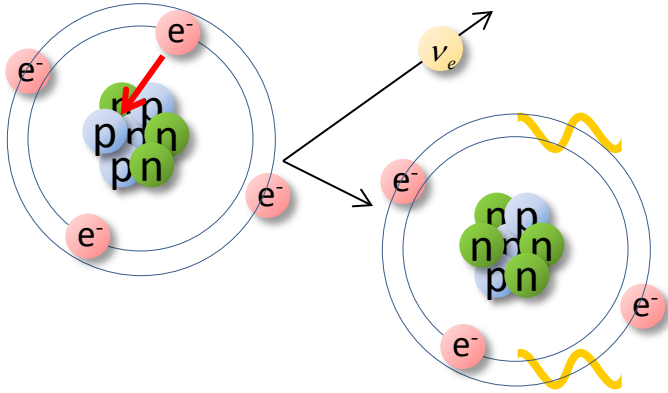
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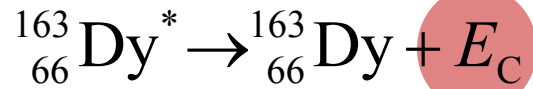
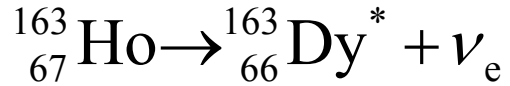
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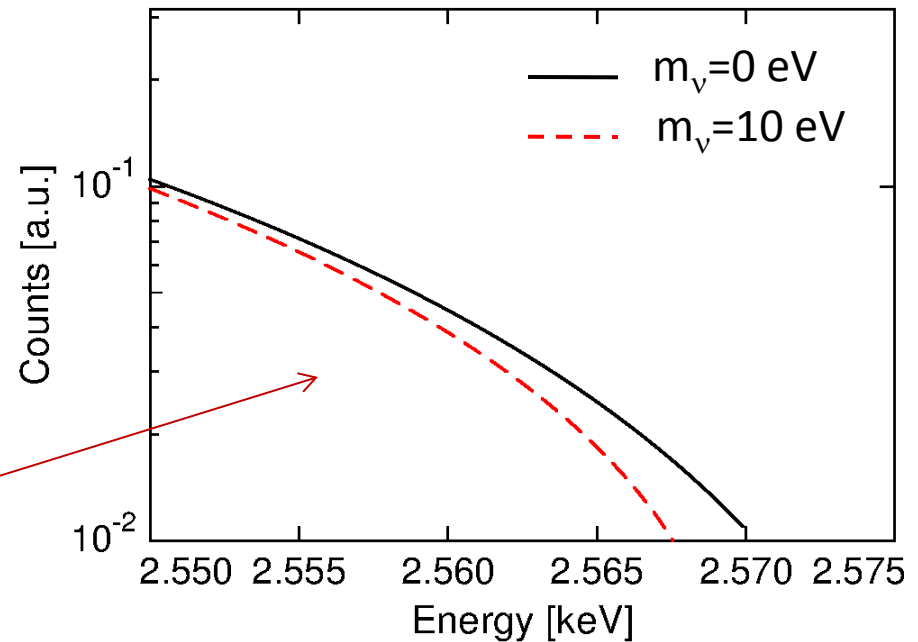
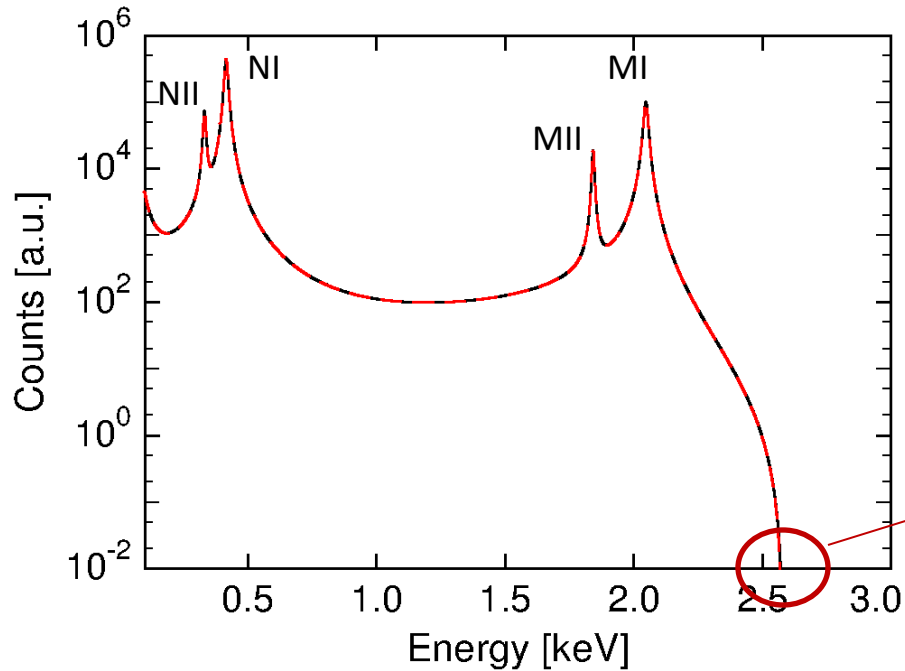
$$\frac{dW}{dE_C} = A(Q_{EC} - E_C)^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_\nu^2}{(Q_{EC} - E_C)^2}} \sum_H B_H \phi_H^2(0) \frac{\frac{\Gamma_H}{2\pi}}{(E_C - E_H)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_H^2}{4}}$$

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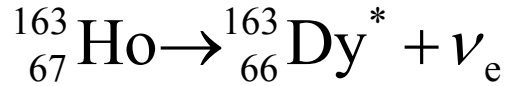


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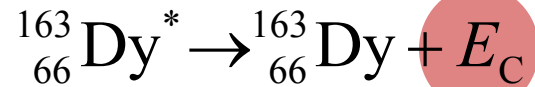
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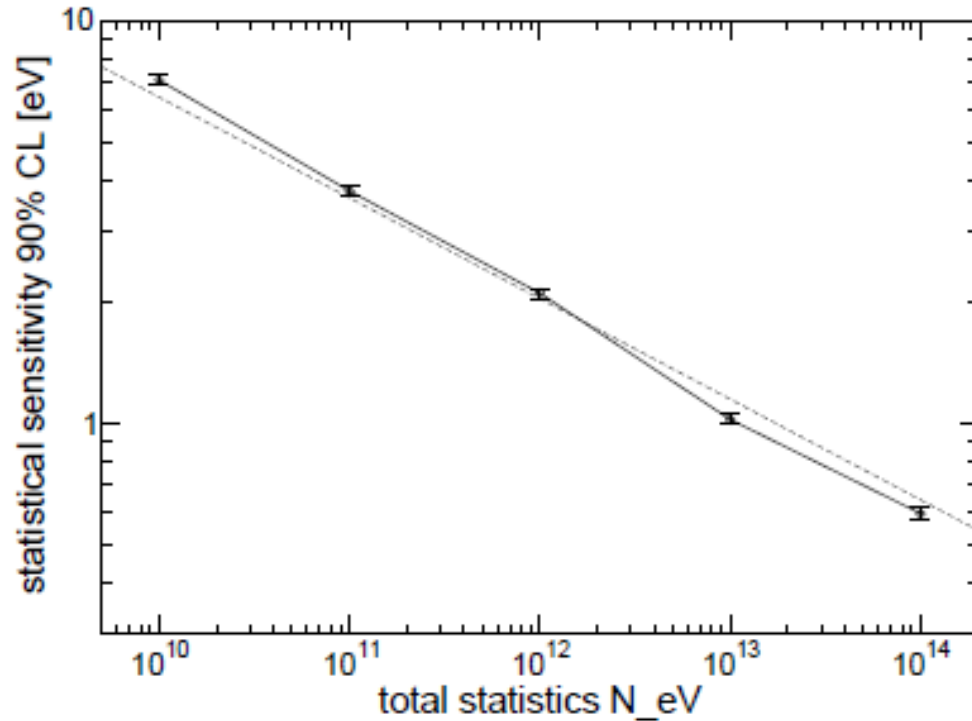
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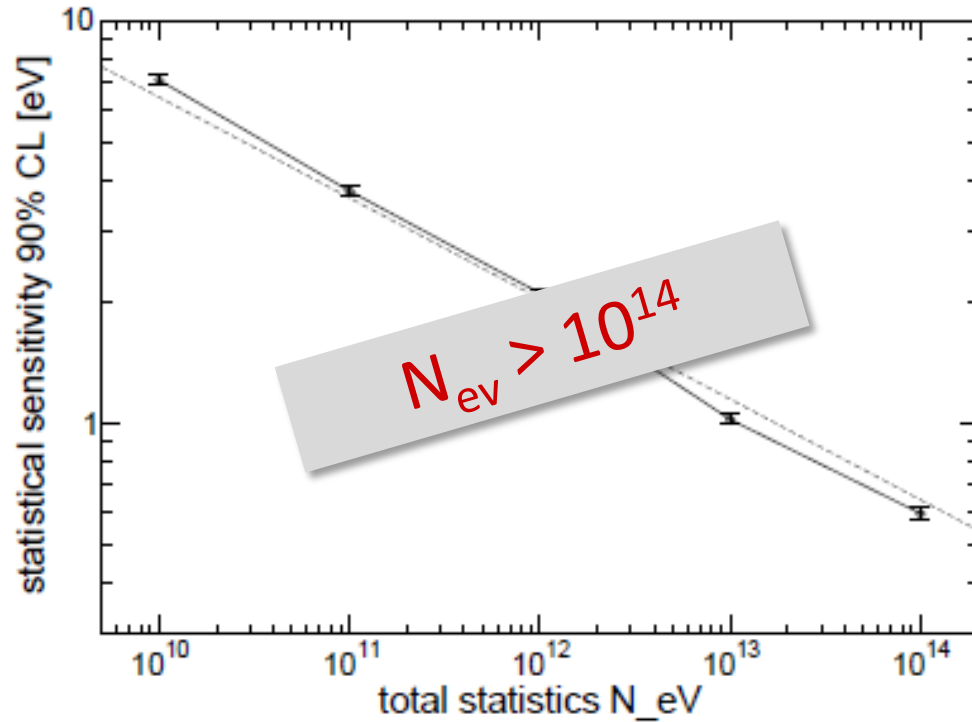
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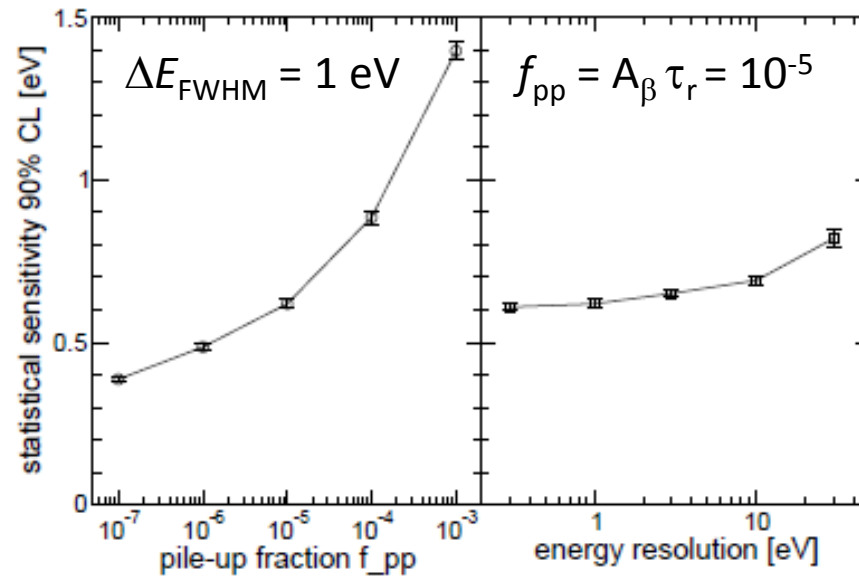
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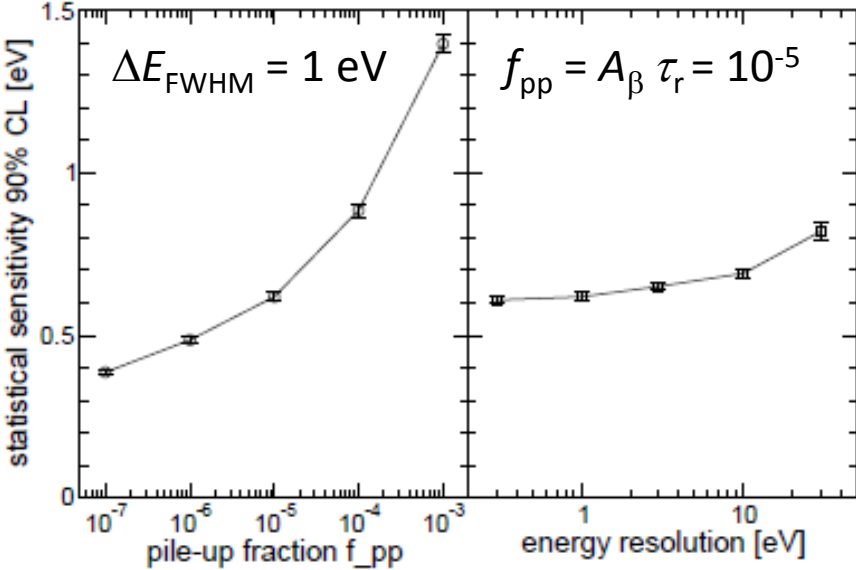
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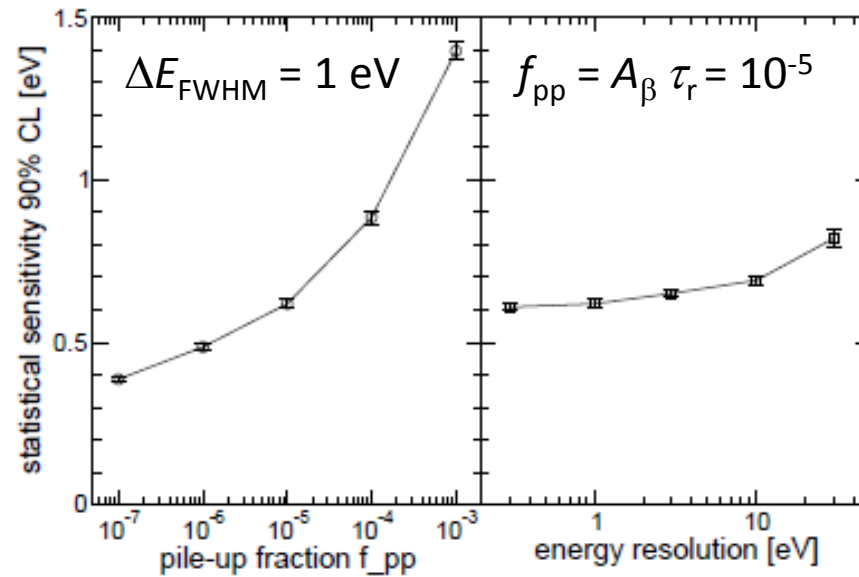
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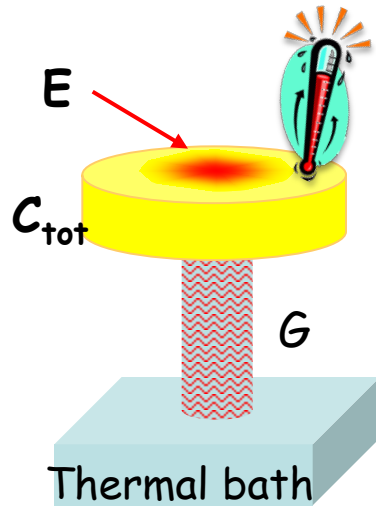
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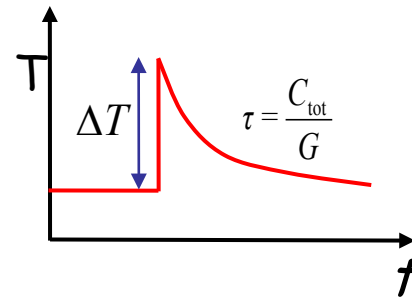
Low temperature

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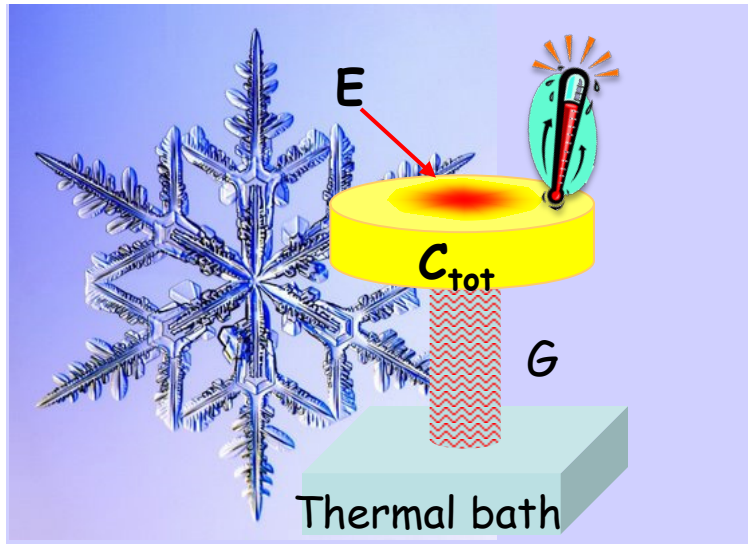
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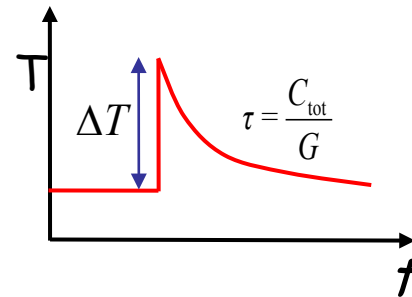
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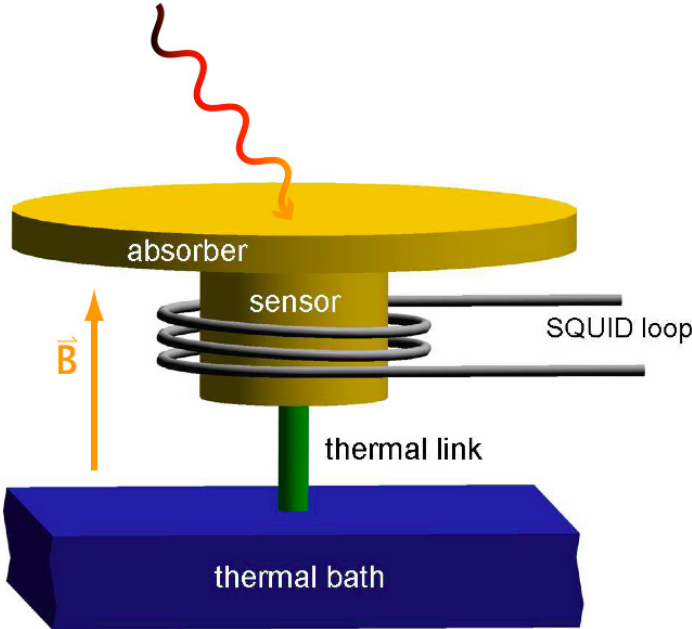
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- Working temperature below 100 mK
 - small specific heat
 - large temperature change
 - small thermal noise
- Very sensitive temperature sensor

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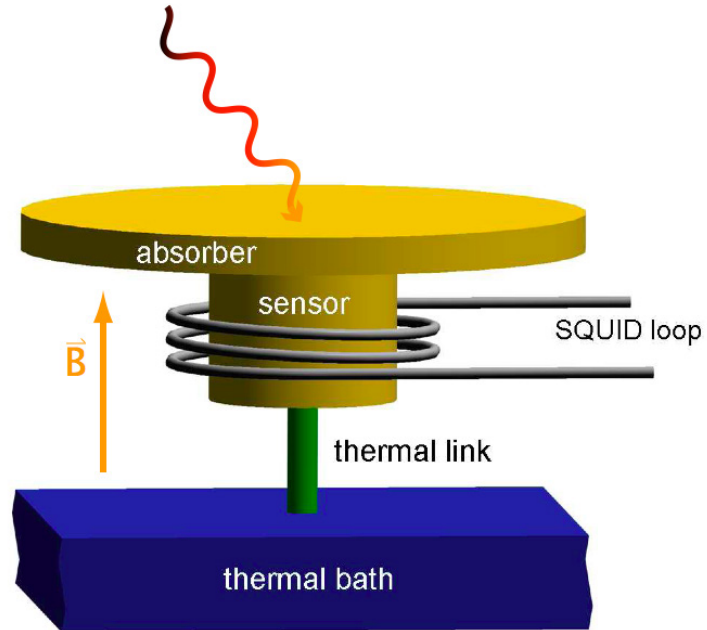
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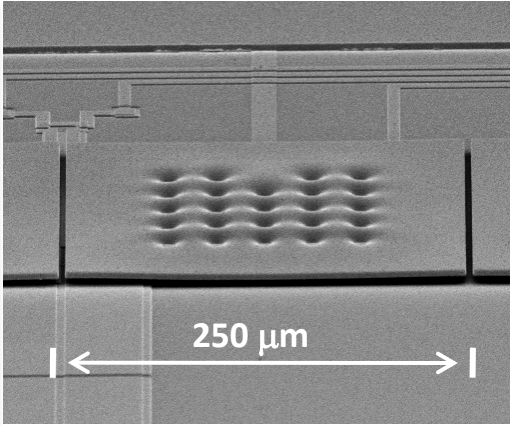
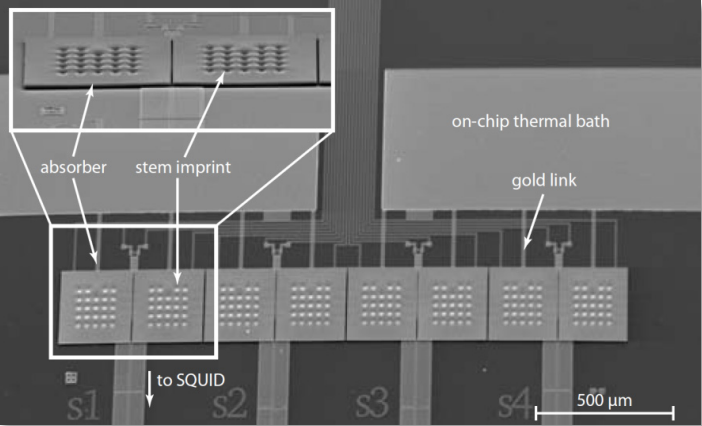
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Talk of Philipp Ranitzsch

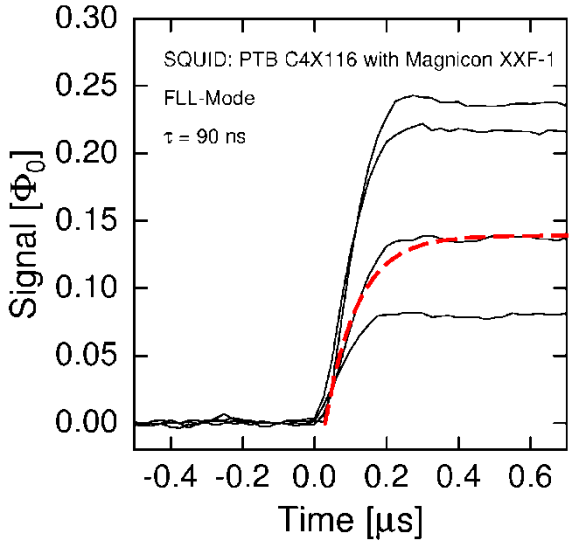
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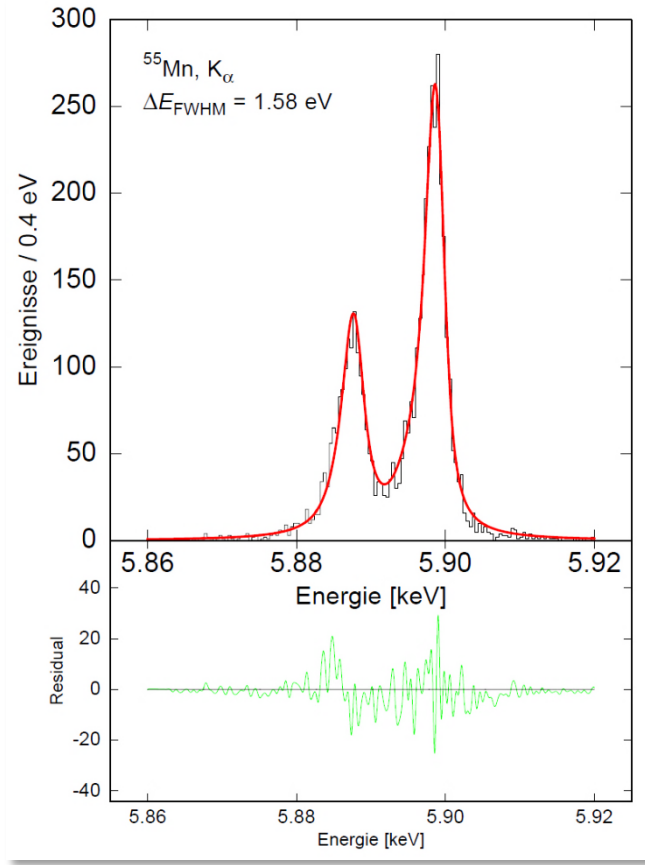
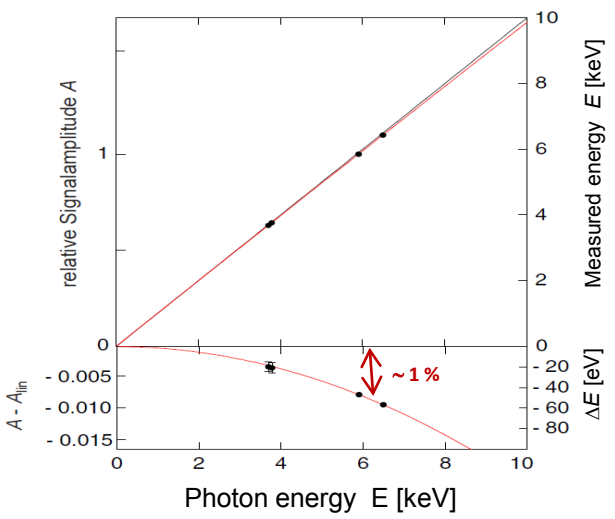


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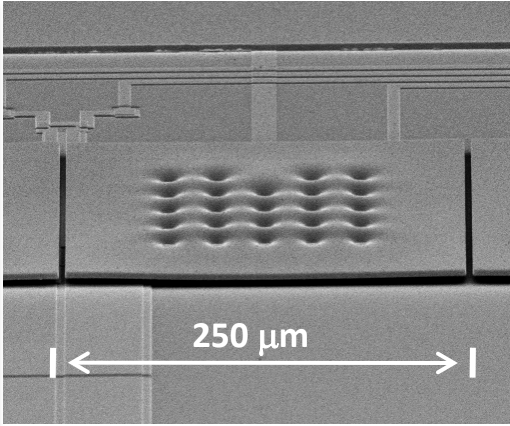
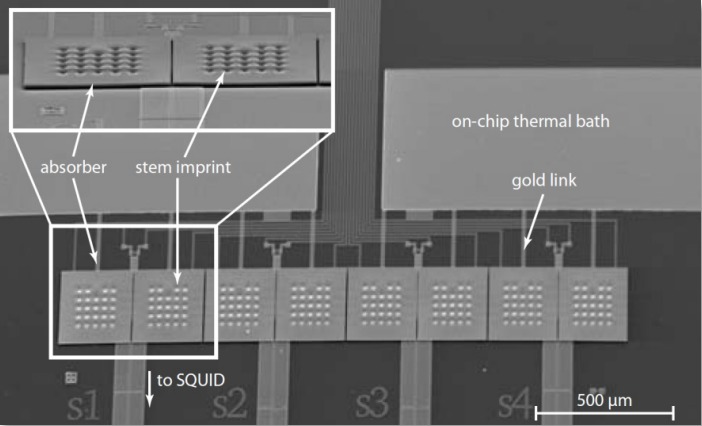
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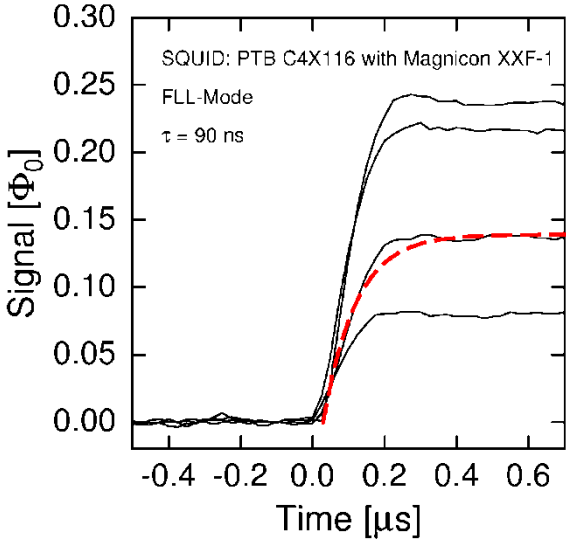


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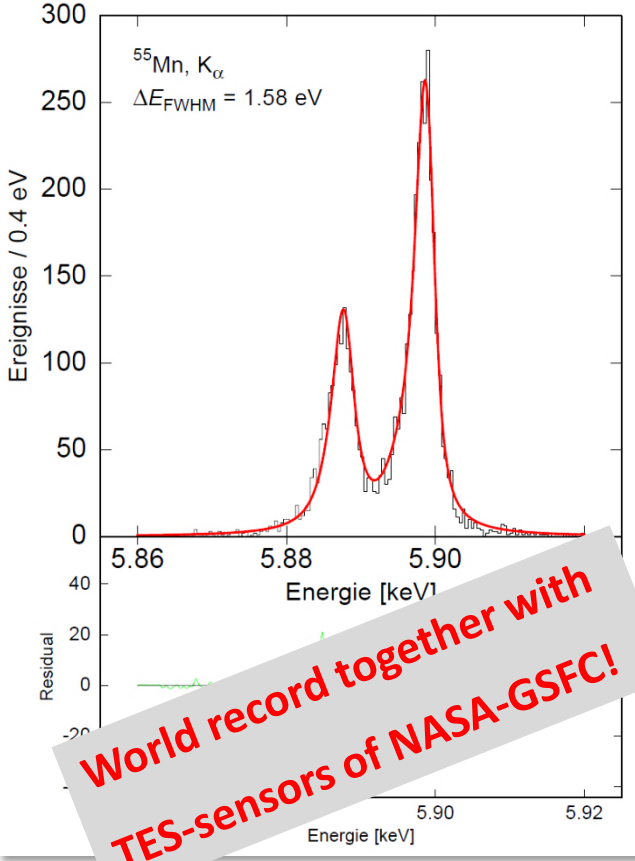
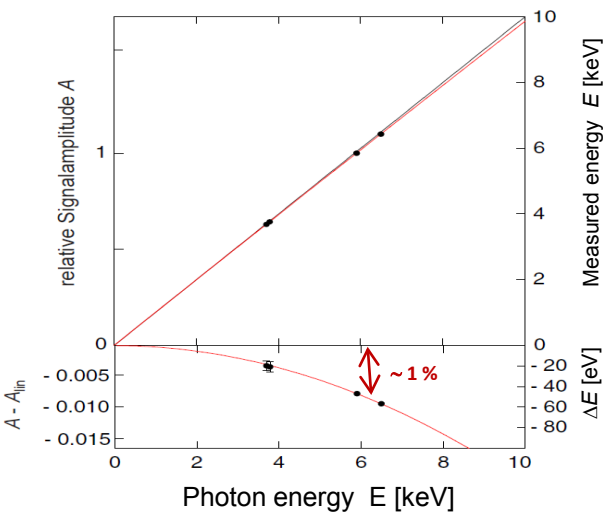


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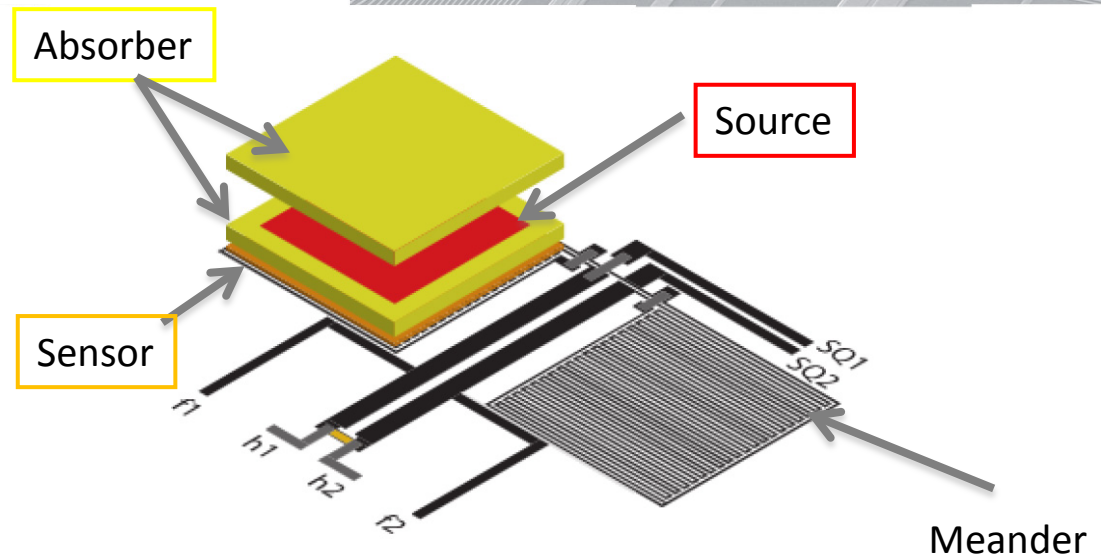
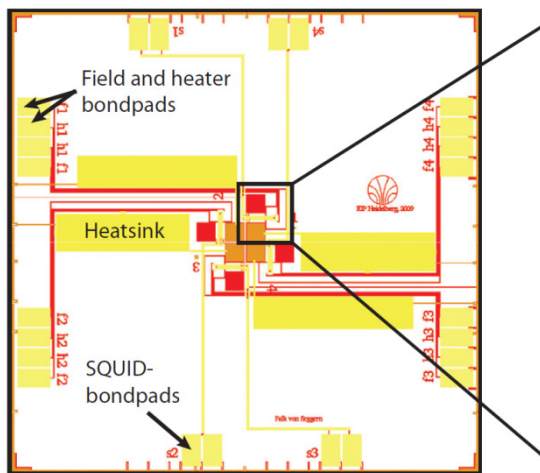
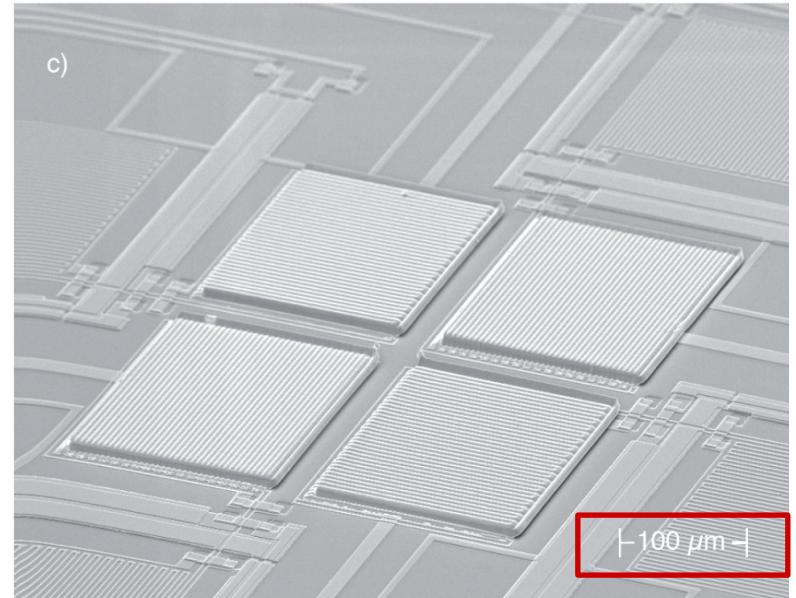
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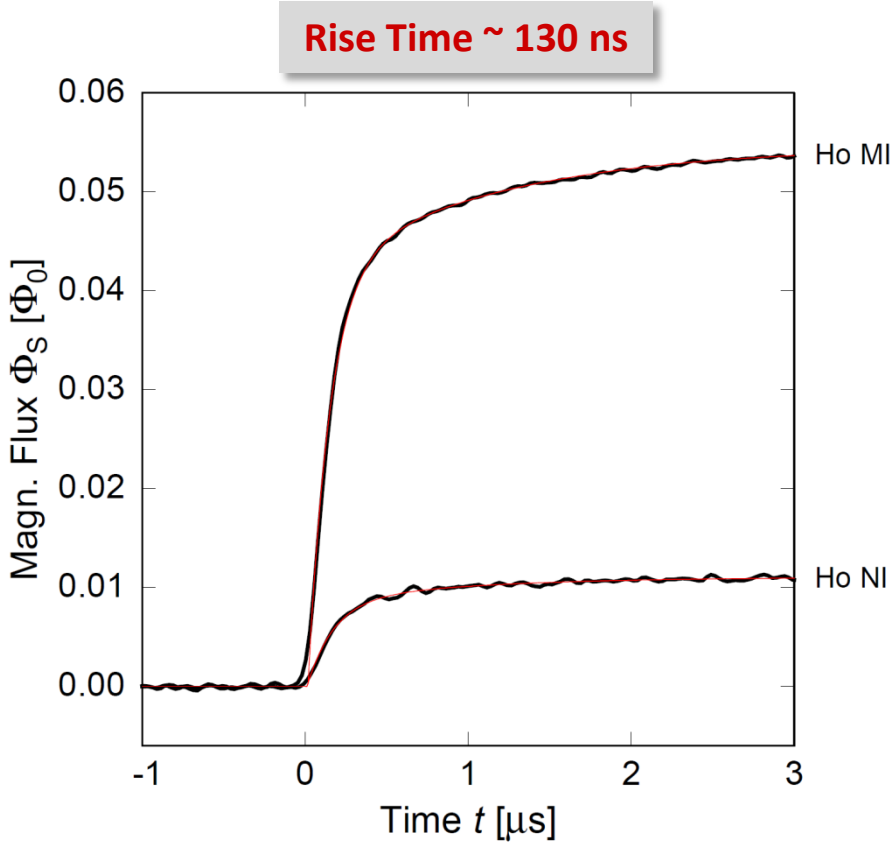
World record together with TES-sensors of NASA-GSFC!

ECHO experiment: First detector prototype

- Absorber for calorimetric measurement → ion implantation @ ISOLDE-CERN
- Two pixels have been simultaneously measured
- ^{55}Fe calibration source was collimated only on one pixel

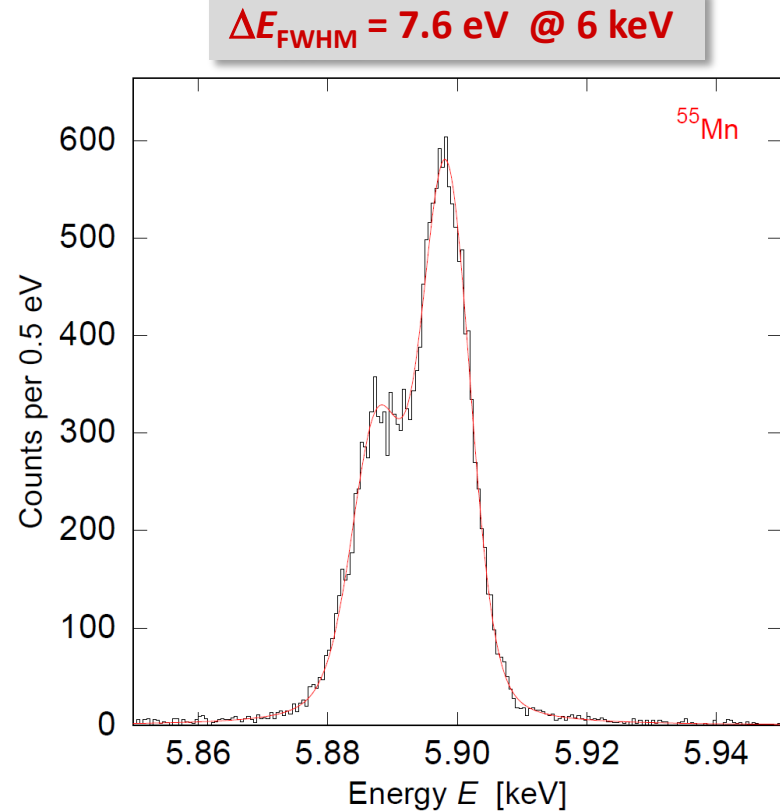


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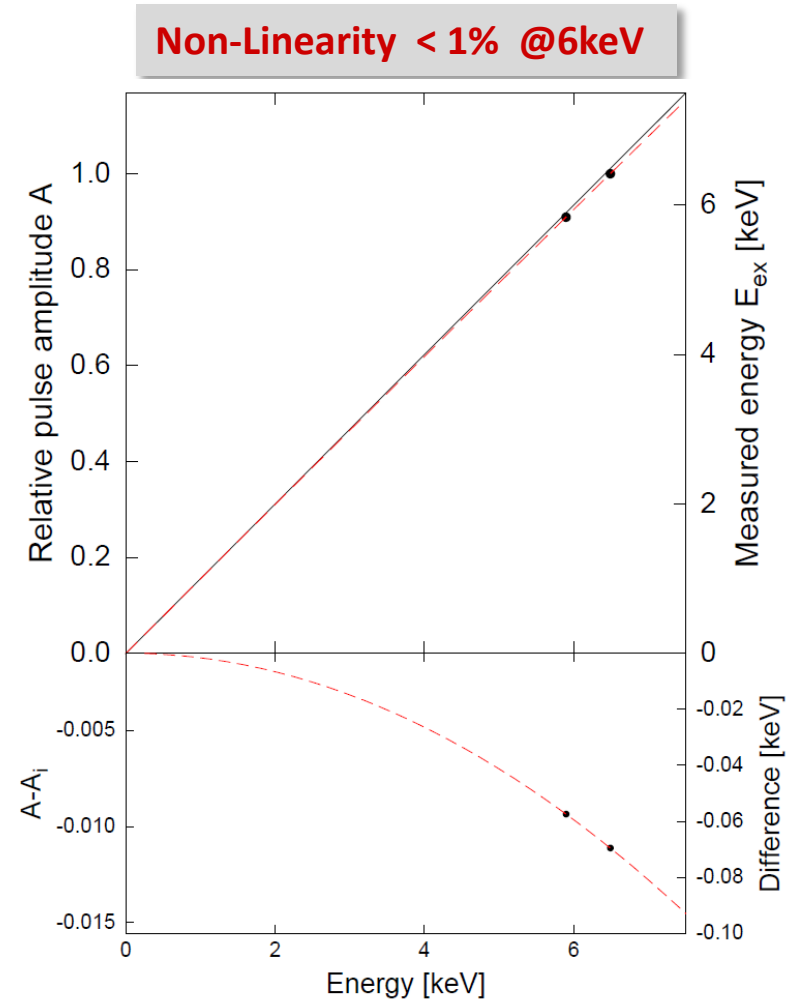
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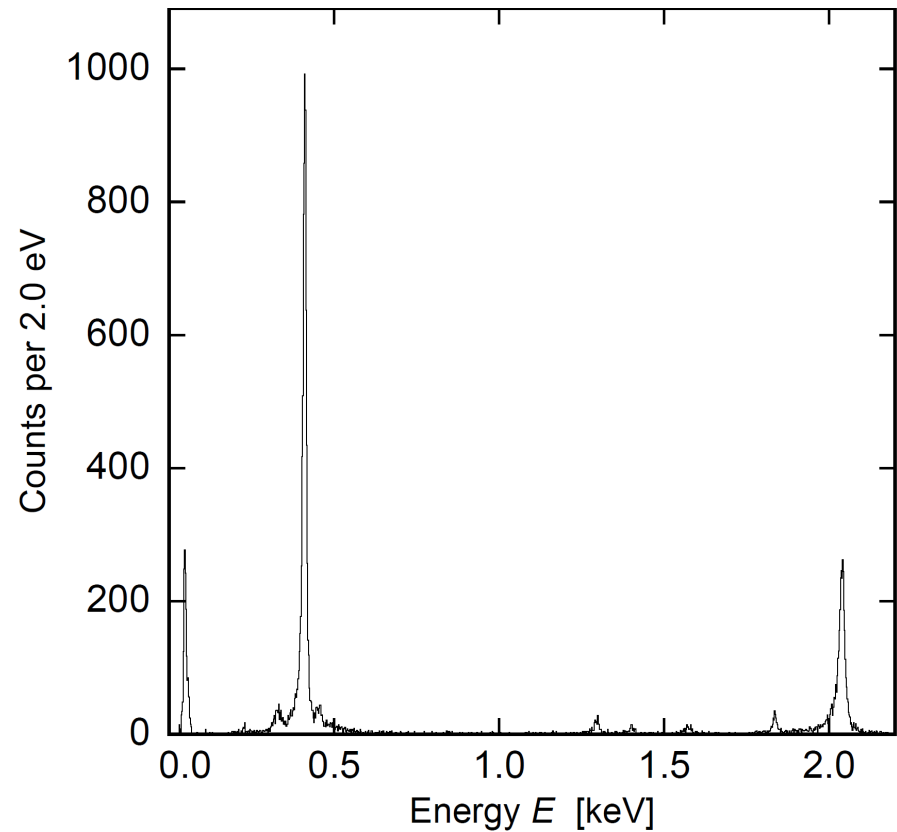
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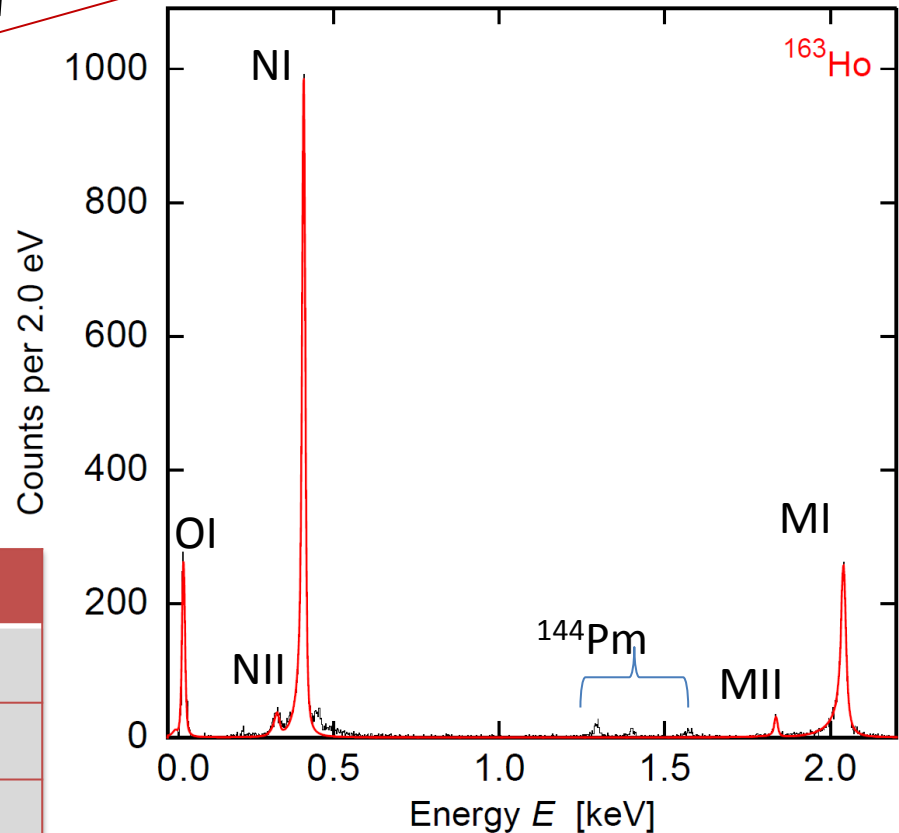


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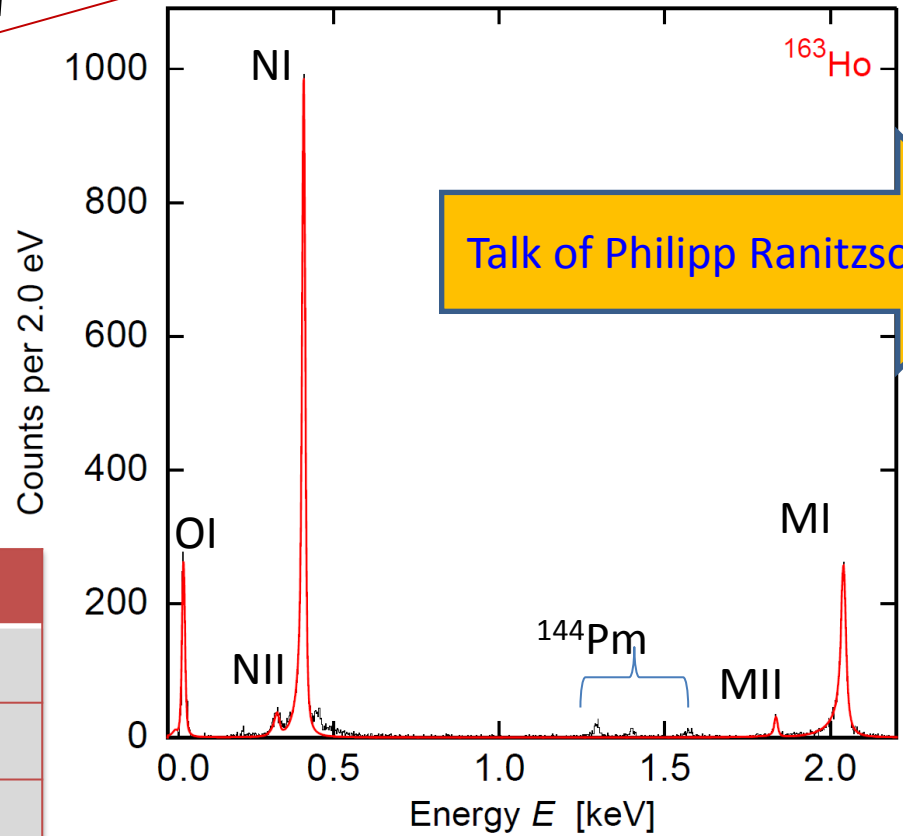
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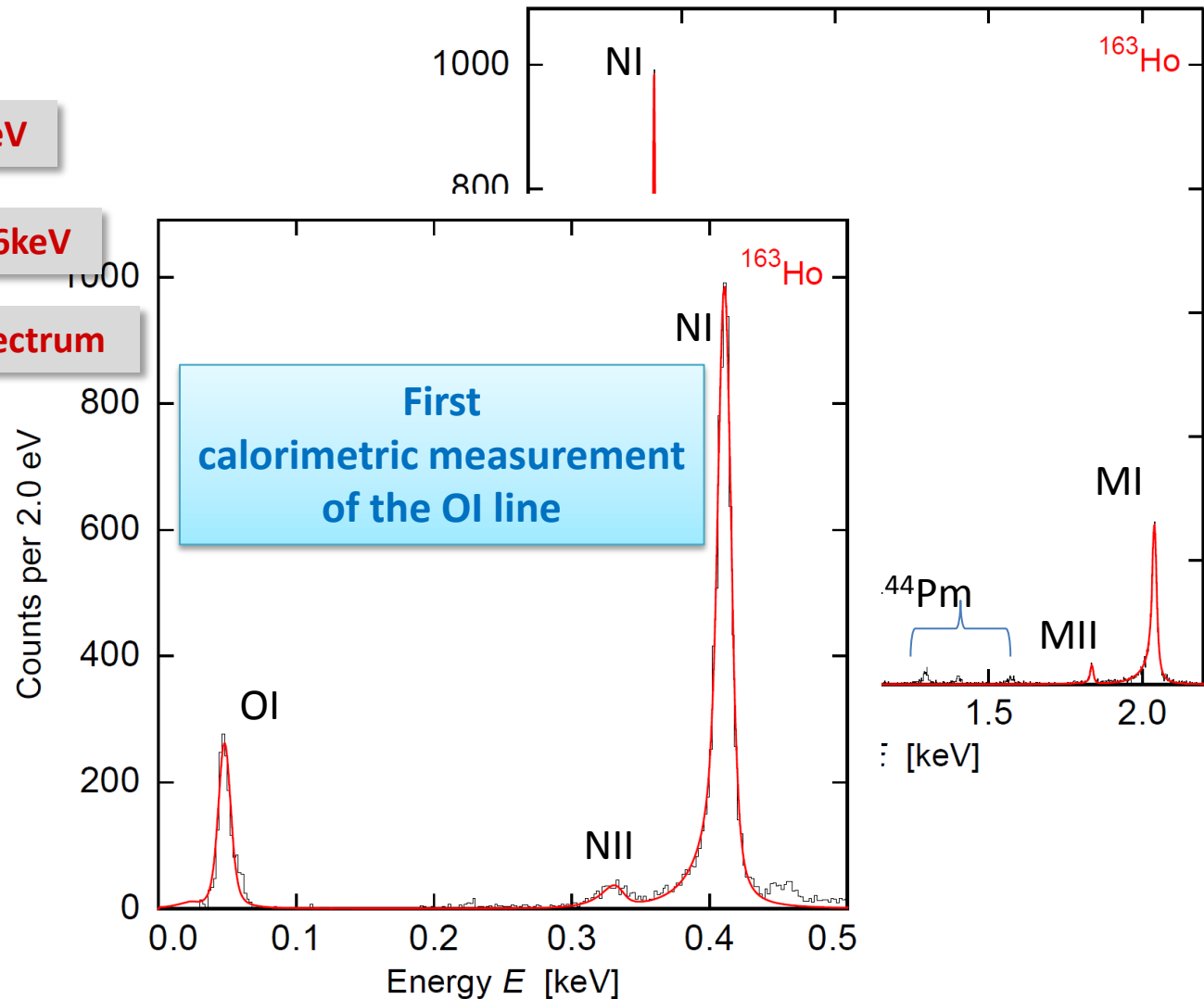
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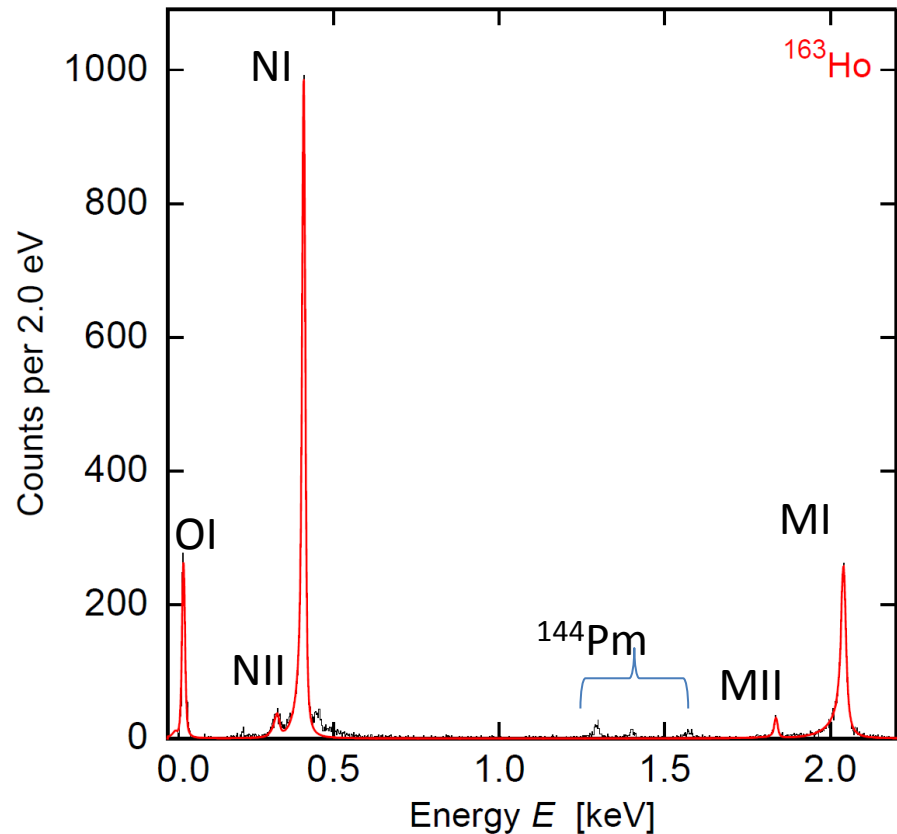
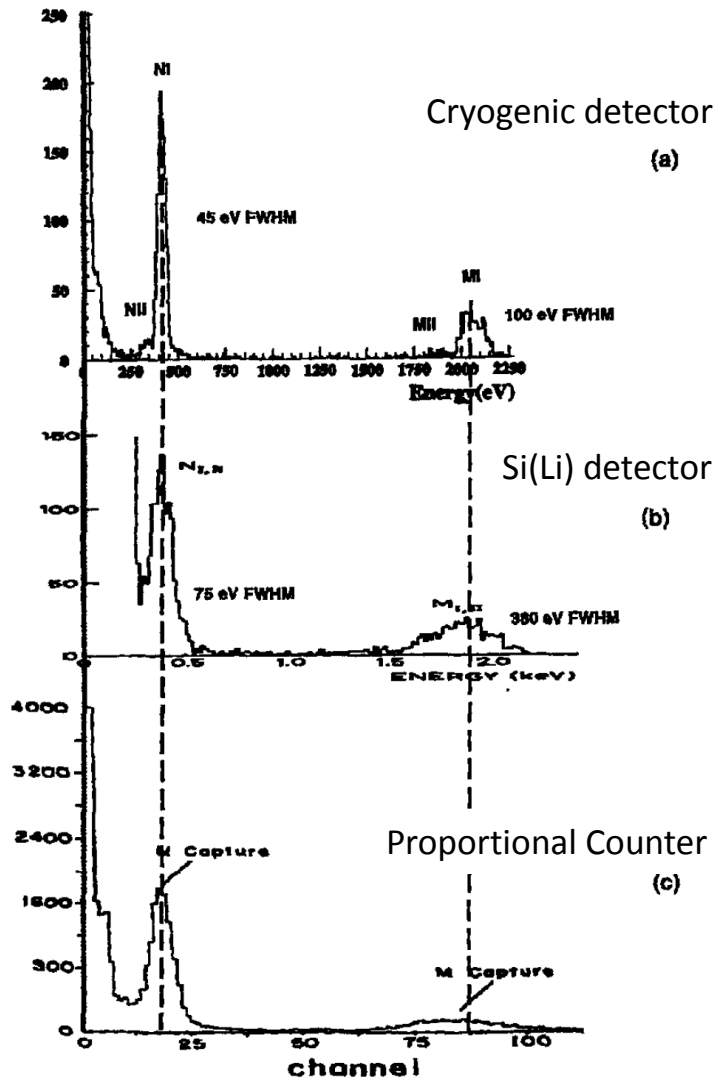
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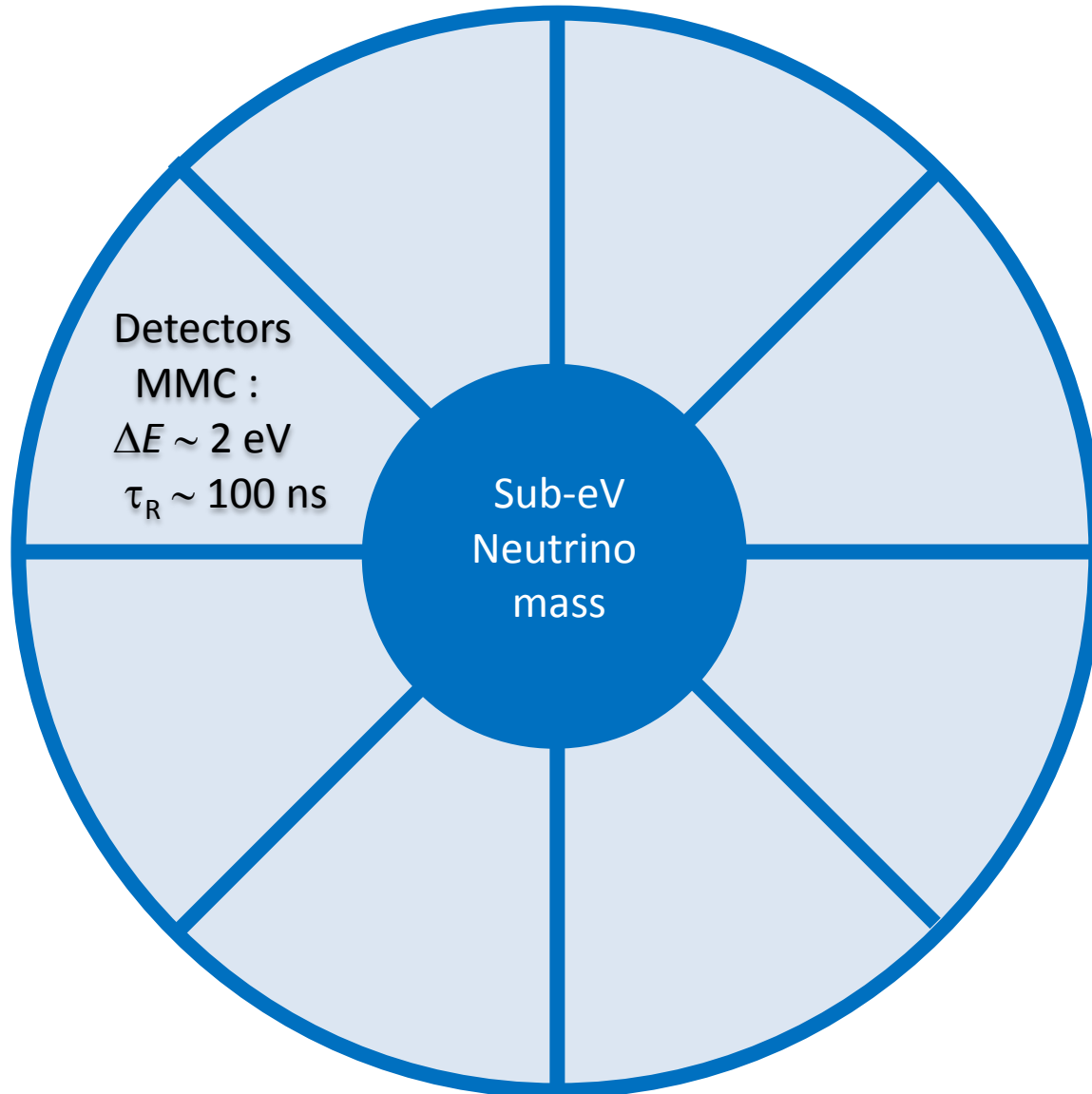


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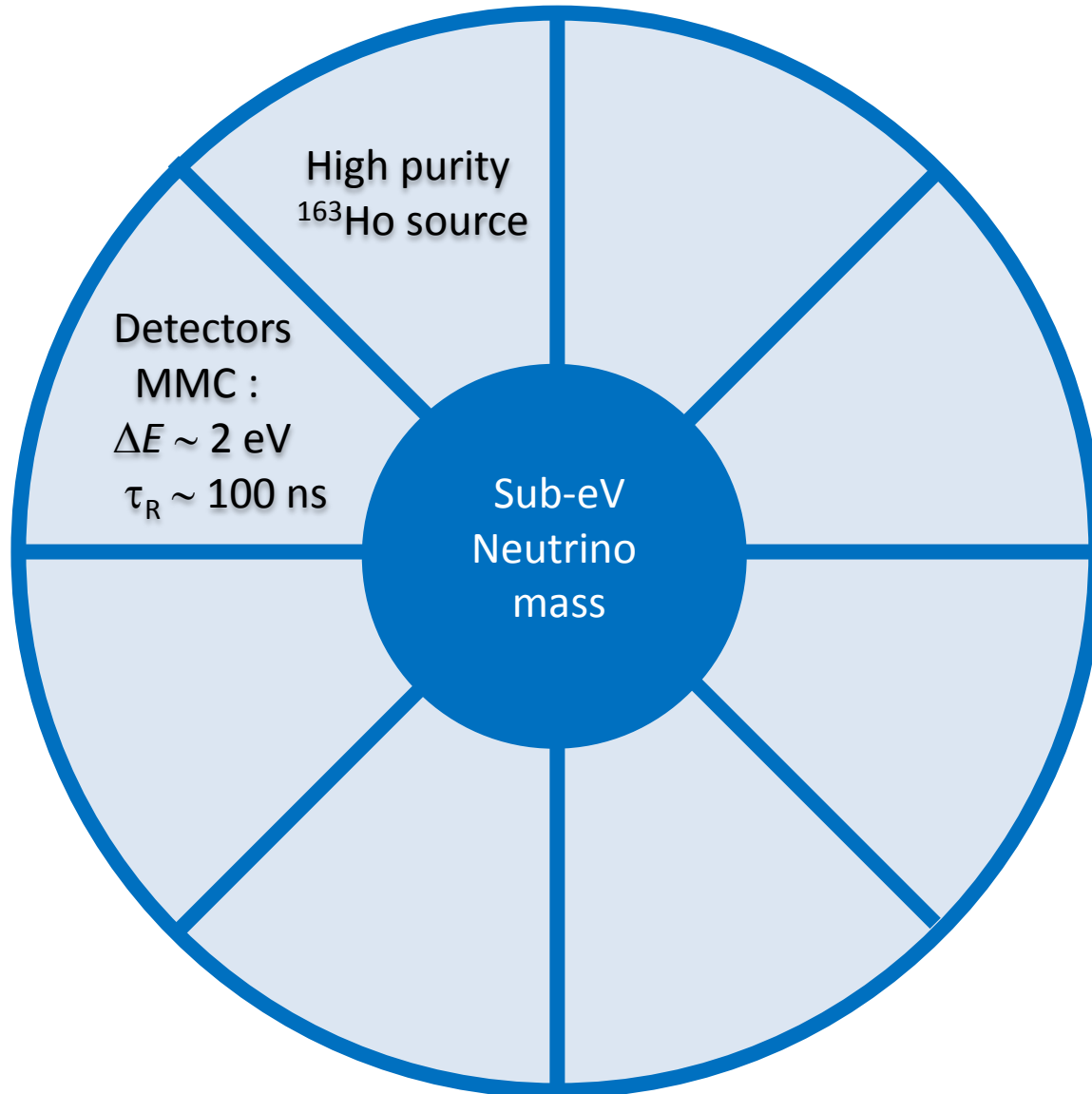


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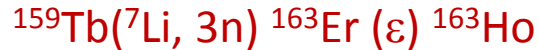
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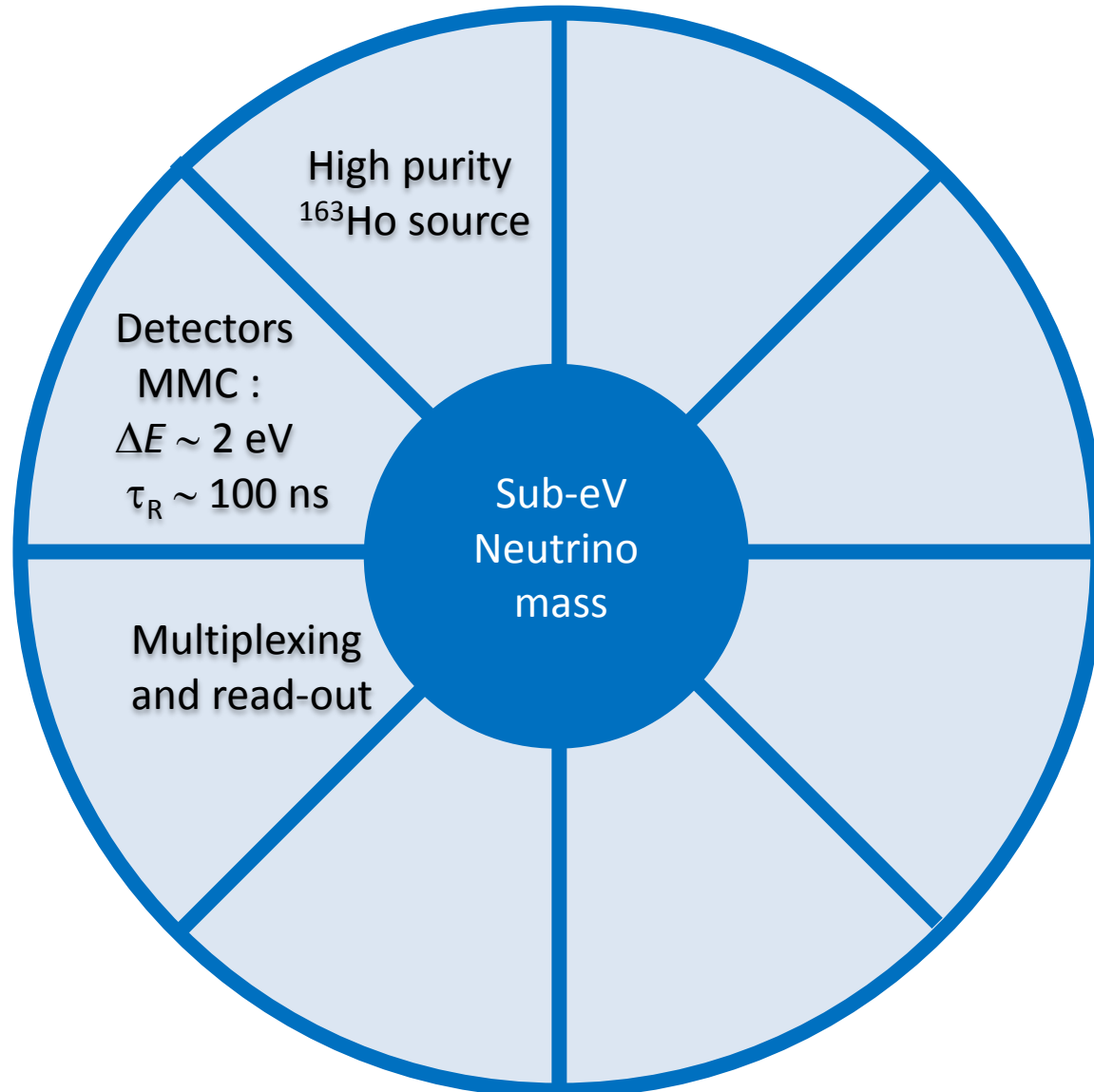
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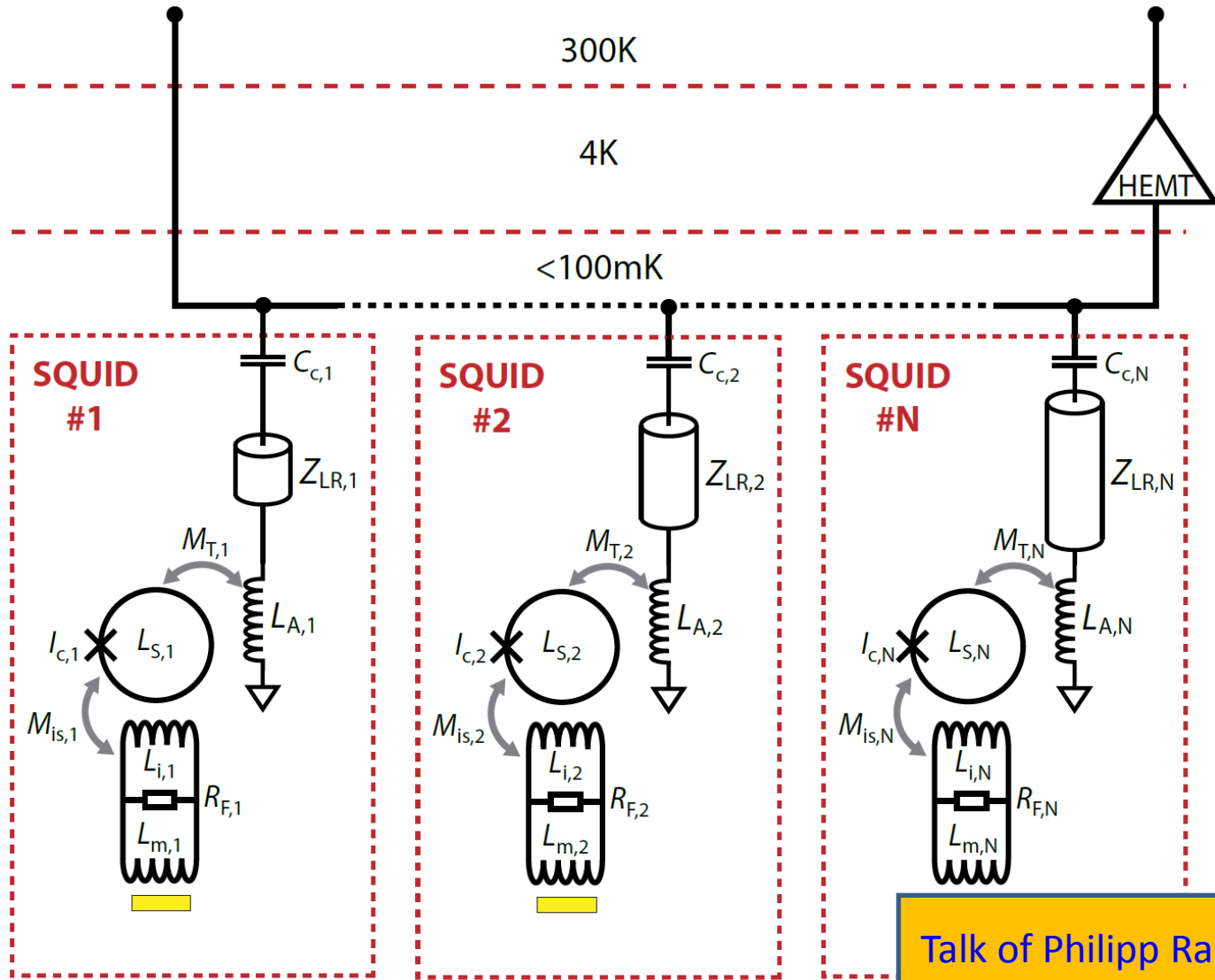
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- Purity: No radioactive contaminants and removed target material
- High efficiency purification methods
- Chemical form: depends on the absorber preparation (ion implantation, dilute alloys)

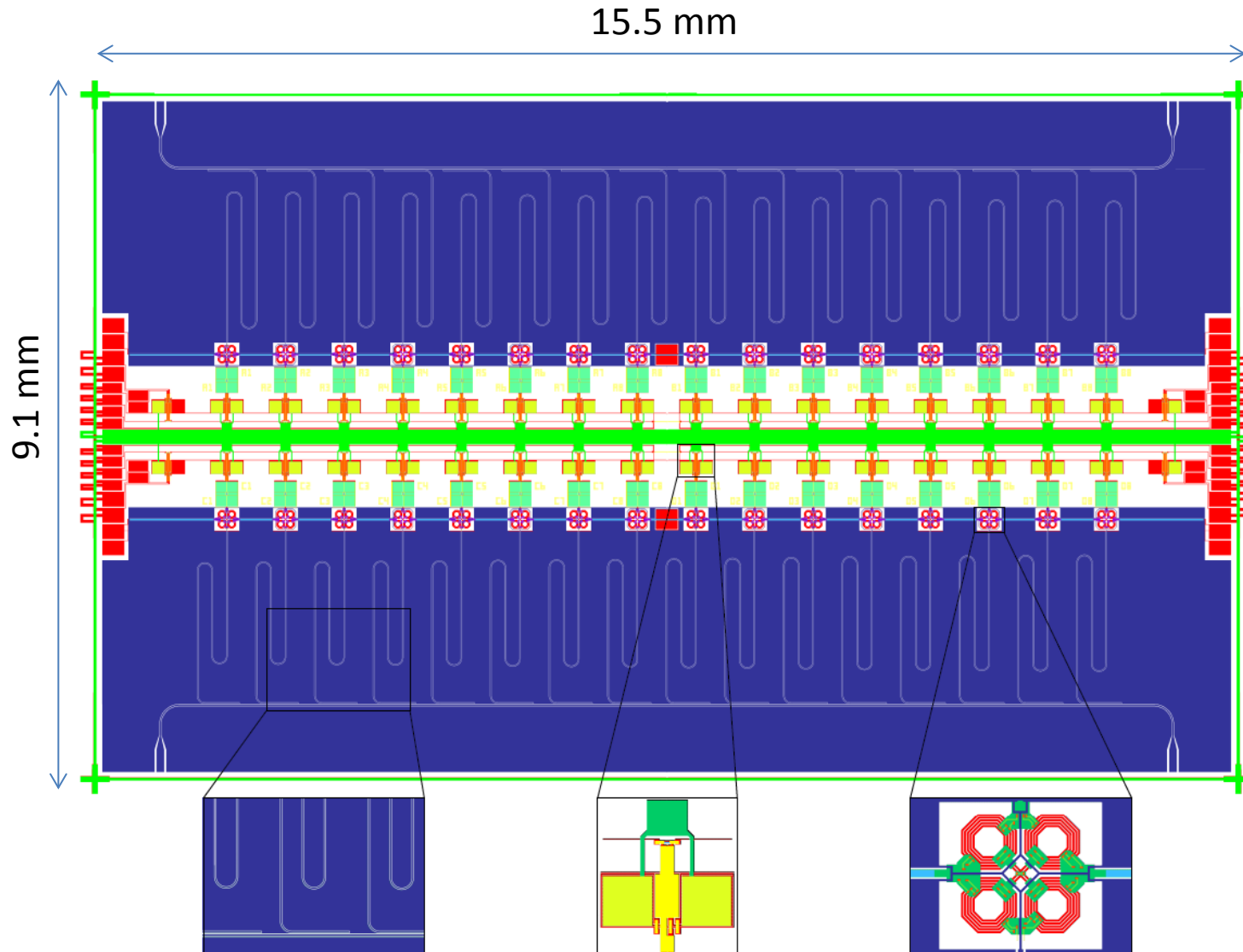
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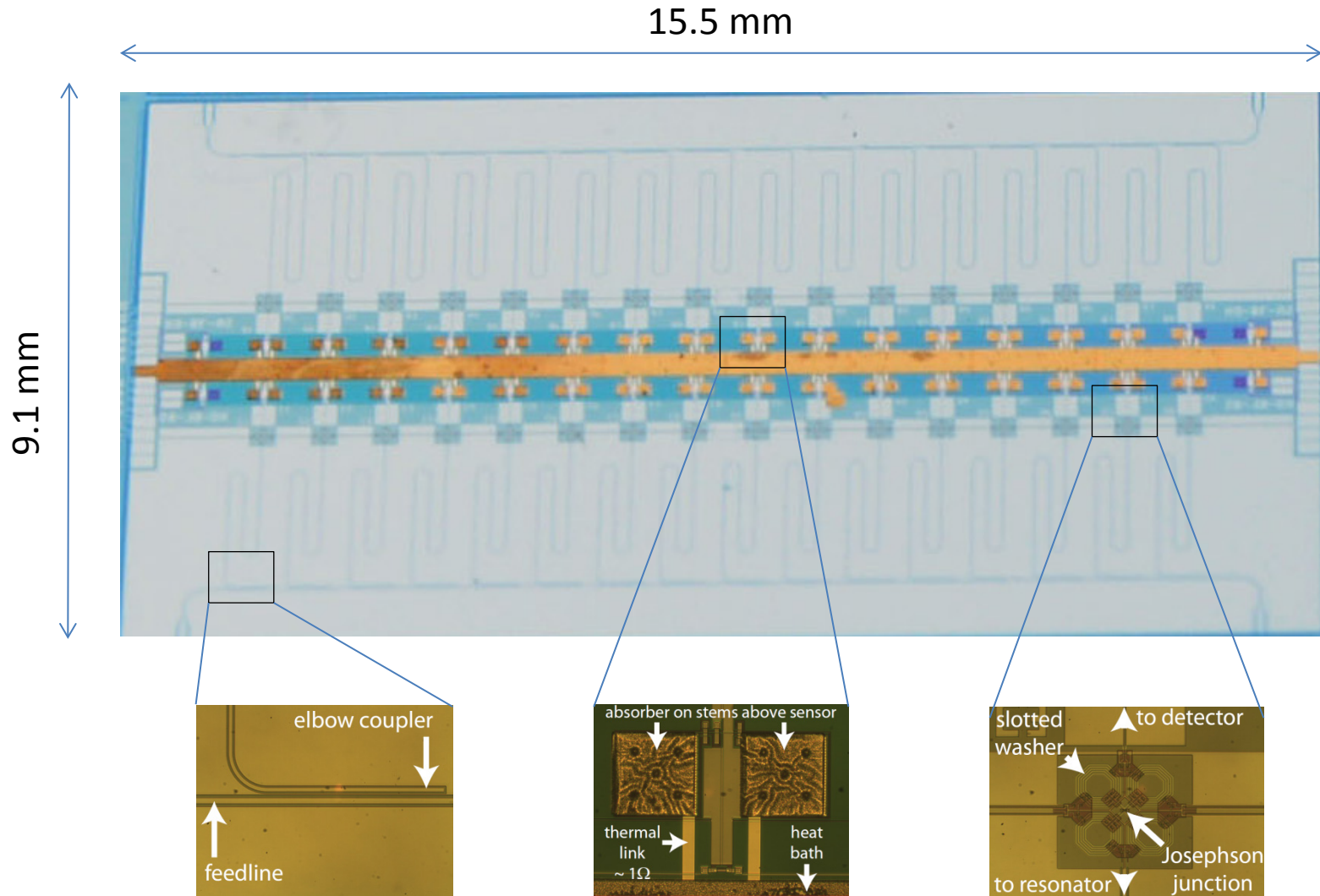
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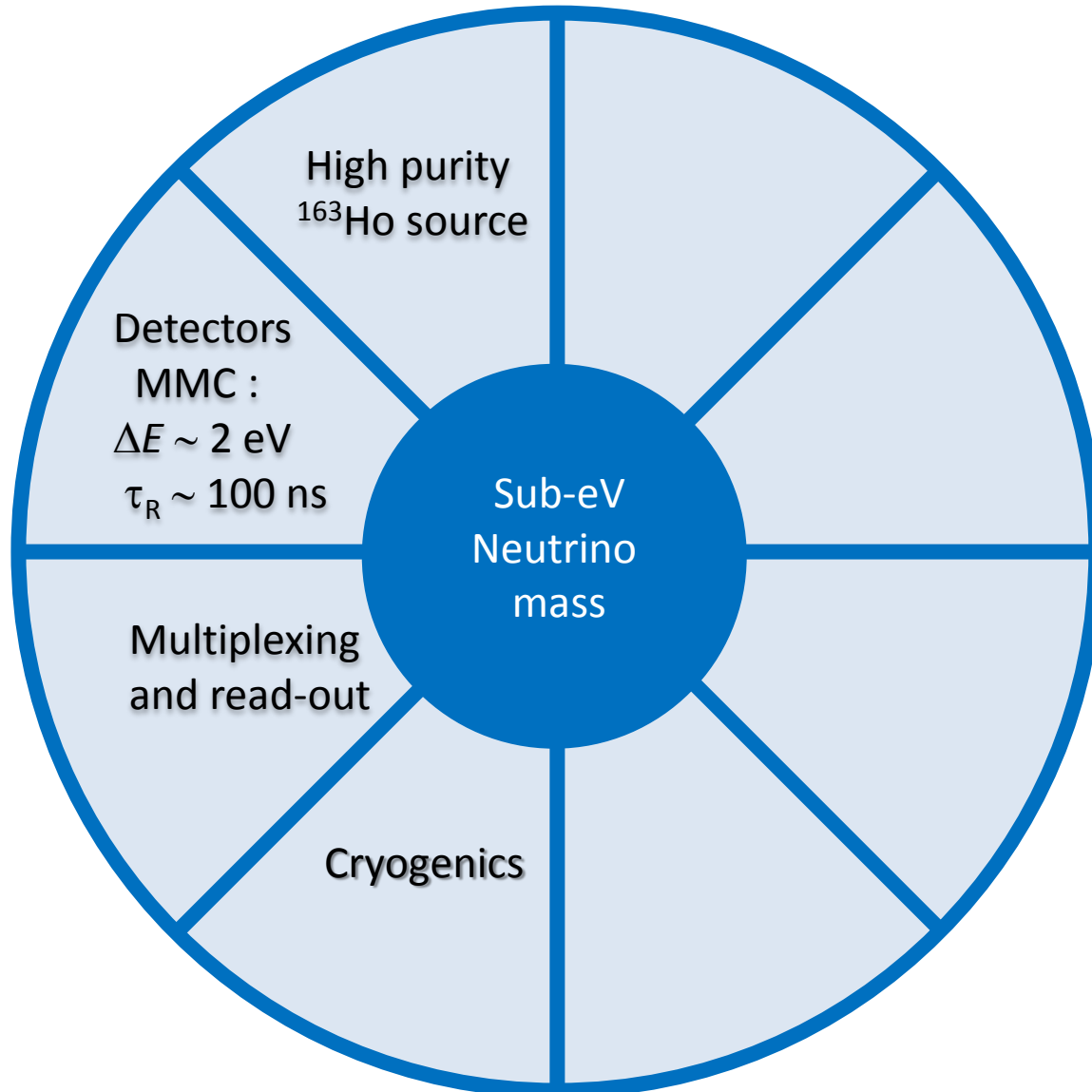
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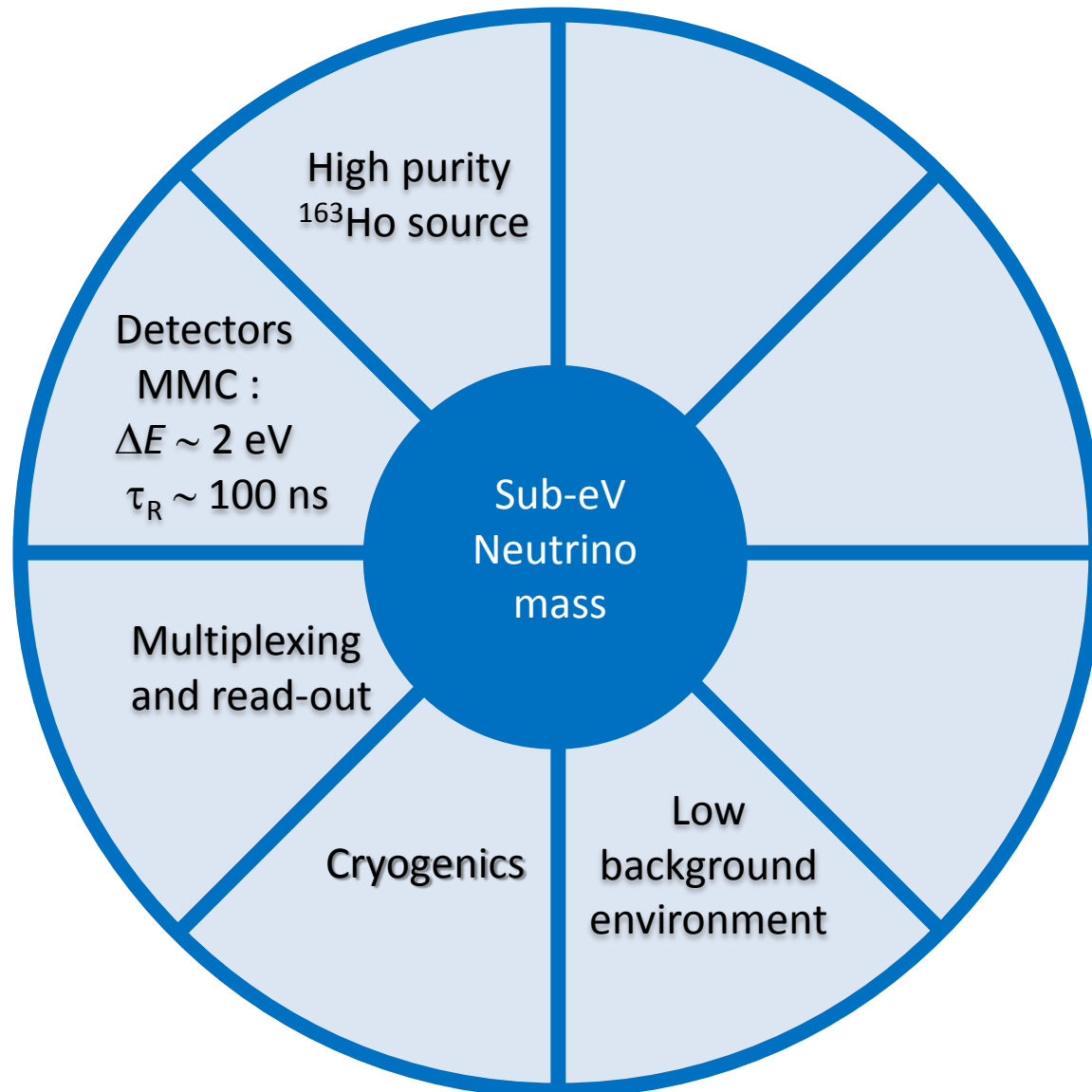
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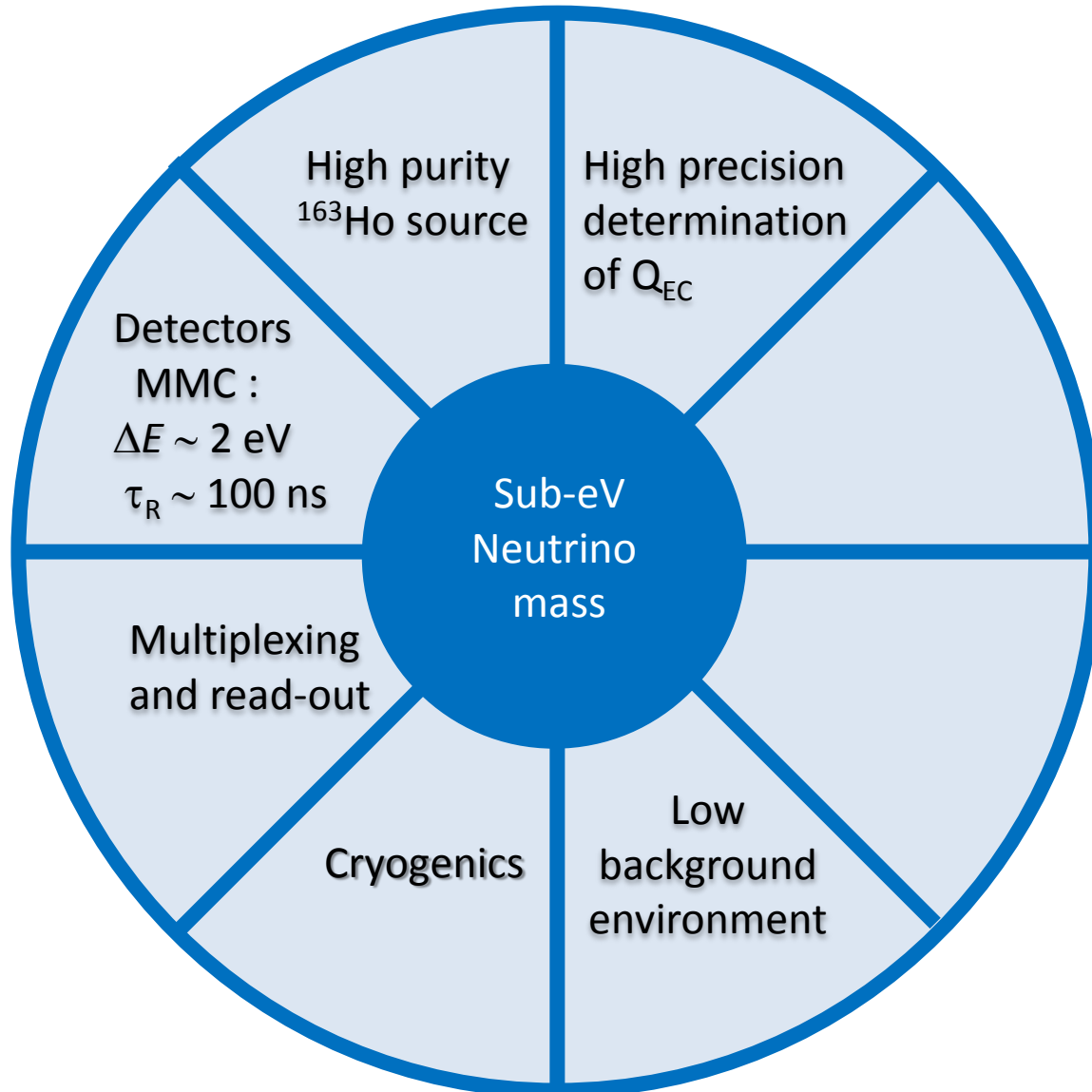
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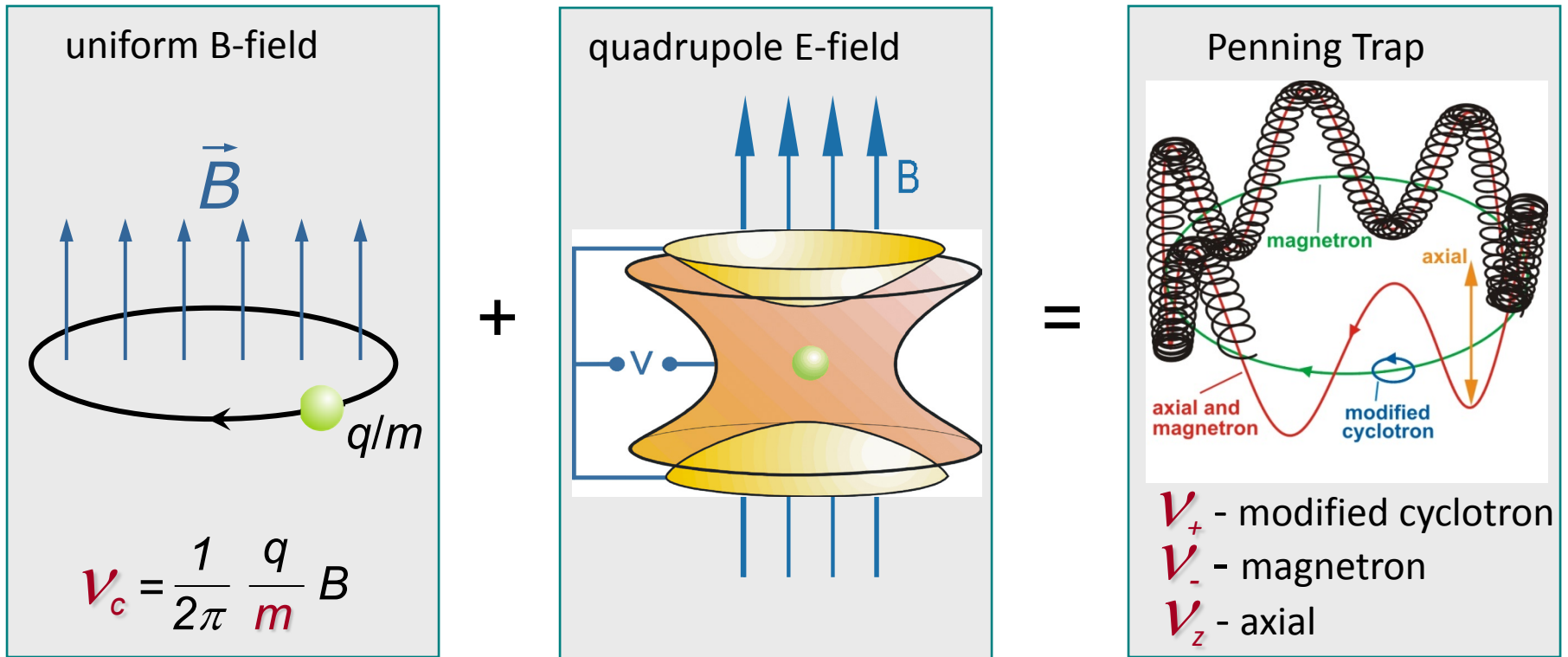


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ECHO experiment: Q_{EC} determination

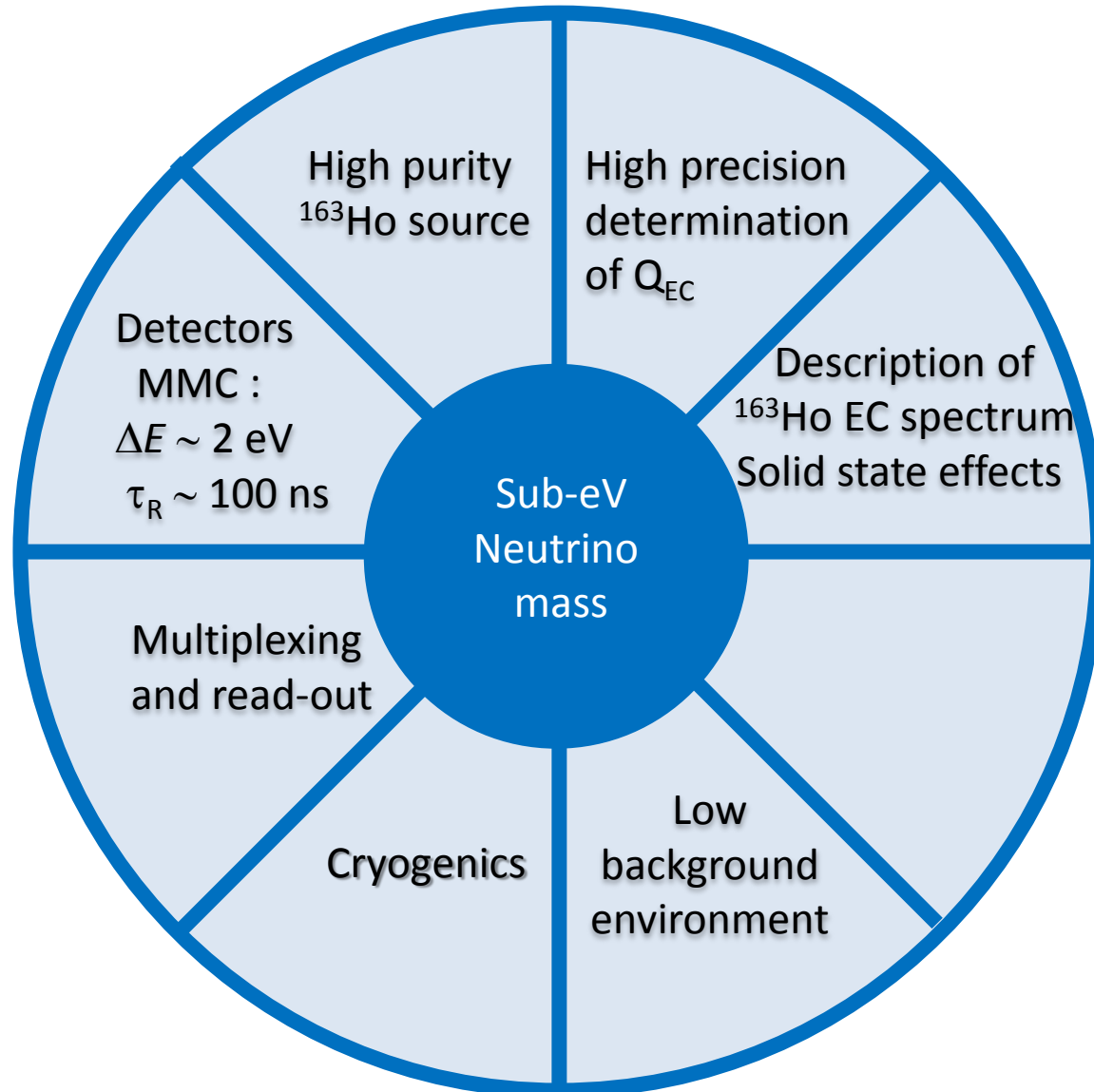
Penning Trap mass spectroscopy



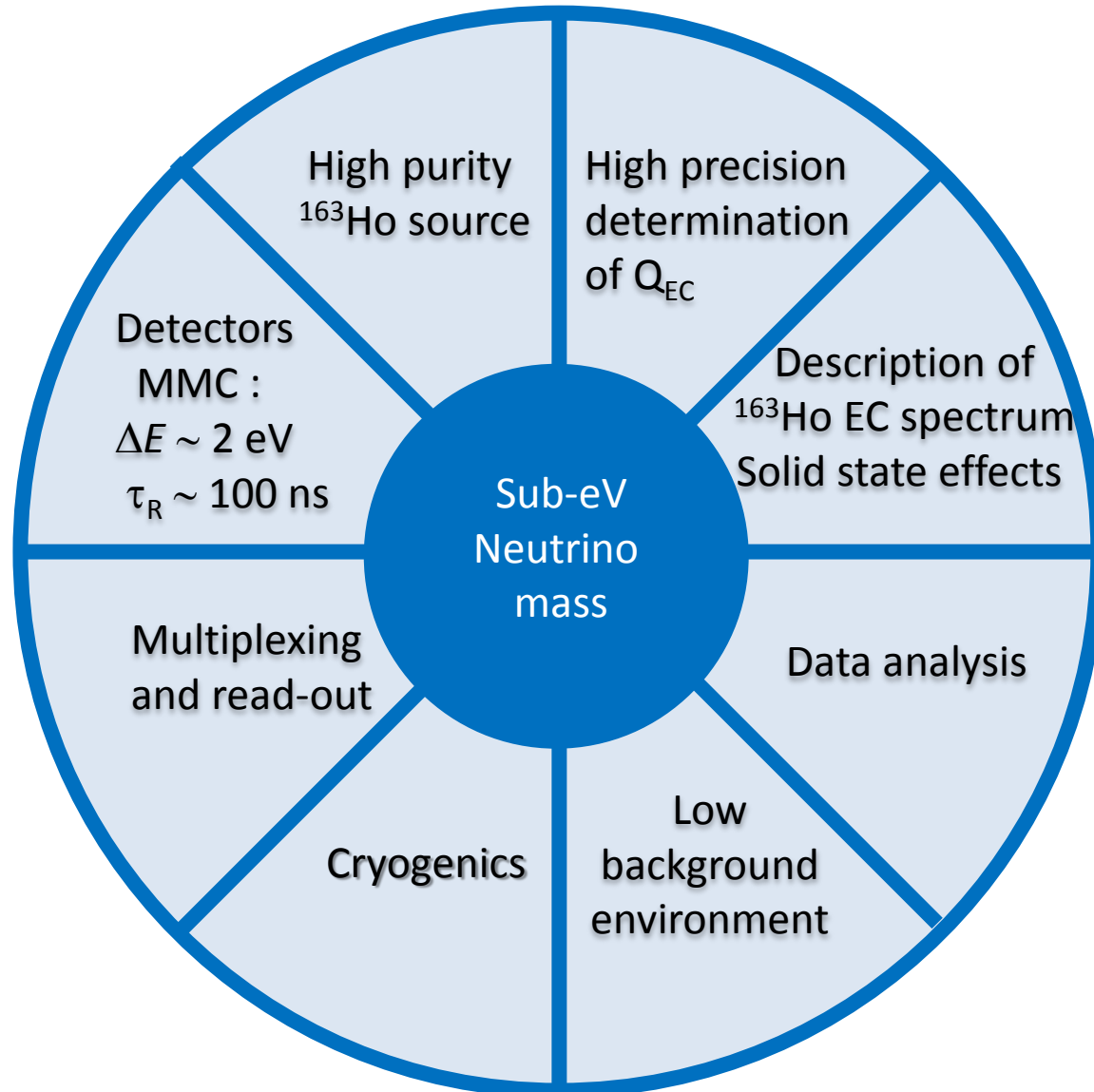
Next future : **SHIPTRAP (GSI)** $\rightarrow Q_{EC}$ determination within **100 eV**

In few years: **PENTATRAP (MPI-K HD)** $\rightarrow Q_{EC}$ determination within **1 eV**

ECHo experiment



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OTHERS

- ◆ **LANL + NIST** (last two years)
 - investigation for source production
 - detector development for calorimetric measurements

<http://conference.ipac.caltech.edu/ltd-15> (Kunde, Schmidt, Croce, Fowler)

Conclusion

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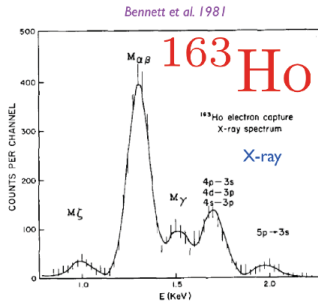


FIG. 5: IBEC spectrum in ^{163}Ho decay [22], showing prominent X-ray lines.

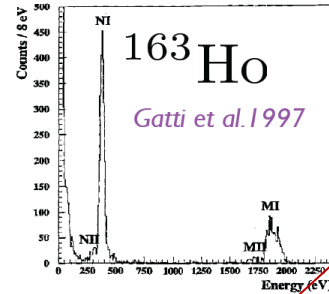


FIG. 6: Results of an early ^{163}Ho calorimetric spectrum [25].

Some early measurements with a ^{163}Ho source [22, 23] were based on IBEC (Internal Bremsstrahlung in Electron Capture), the first-principle theory of which is fiendishly complex both above [24] and –more so– below [4] the energies coinciding with X-ray resonances. One example is shown in Fig. 5. Other measurements were calorimetric [25], see Fig. 6. The most stringent of the early mass limits, from [23] and [26] were, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} m_\nu &< 225 \text{ eV at } 95\% \text{ CL,} \\ m_\nu &< 490 \text{ eV at } 68\% \text{ CL.} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

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V. THE THEORY OF EC IN ^{163}Ho

The EC process, all by itself, does not yield any information on the neutrino mass, or on anything else, for that matter. The mere information that “it happened” is

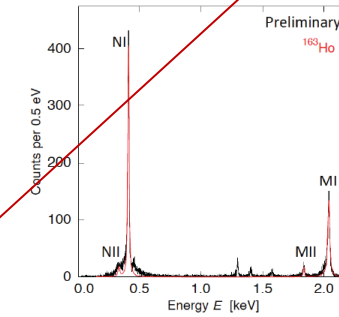


FIG. 7: Test results of ECHO [27] for the calorimetric spectrum of ^{163}Ho decay. The unlabeled impurities are ^{144}Pm . The continuous (red line) theory [5] is based on Eq. (9).

provided by the fact that the daughter atom, and sometimes its nucleus, are unstable. The hole in an atomic shell, for instance, results in observable X-rays, as the outer electrons cascade inwards, see Fig. 5.

The measured $Q = M(^{163}\text{Ho}) - M(^{163}\text{Dy})$ is so small that EC is only energetically allowed from ^{163}Ho orbitals with principal quantum number $n > 2$. The emission of X-rays from holes in such external shells is negligible compared to that of atomic de-excitations involving electron emission (in the classical parlance, the “fluorescence yields” are tiny). The electron-emitting transitions have

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Sandwiched sensor

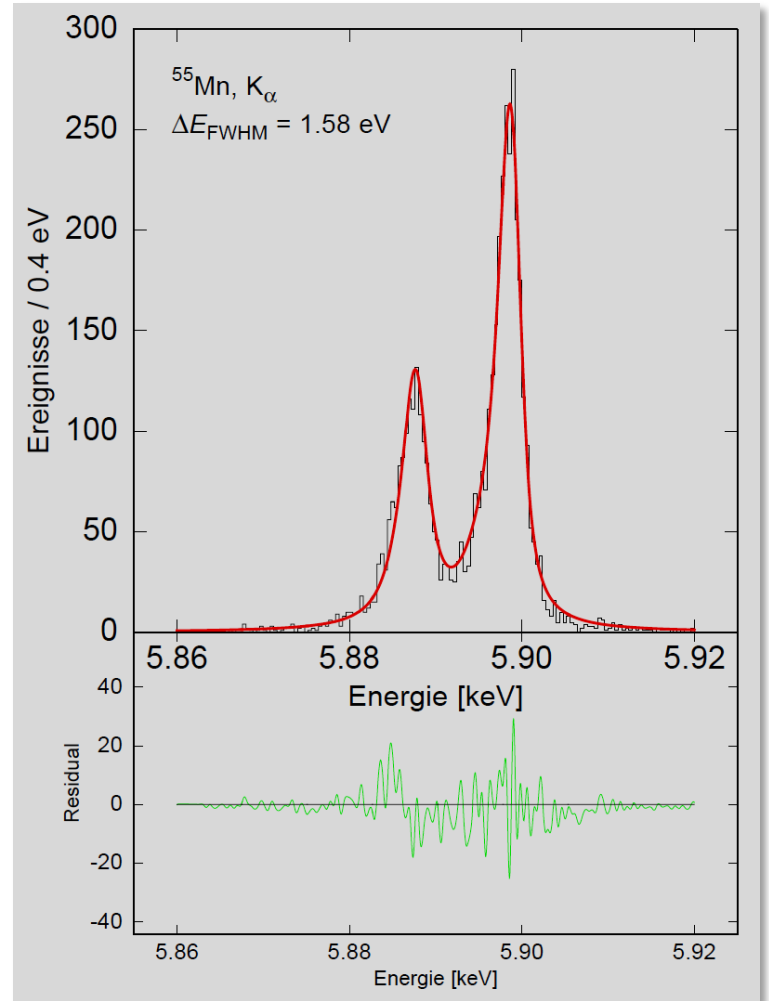
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$\Delta E_{\text{FWHM}} = 1.6 \text{ eV} @ 6 \text{ keV}$

Proton induced reaction

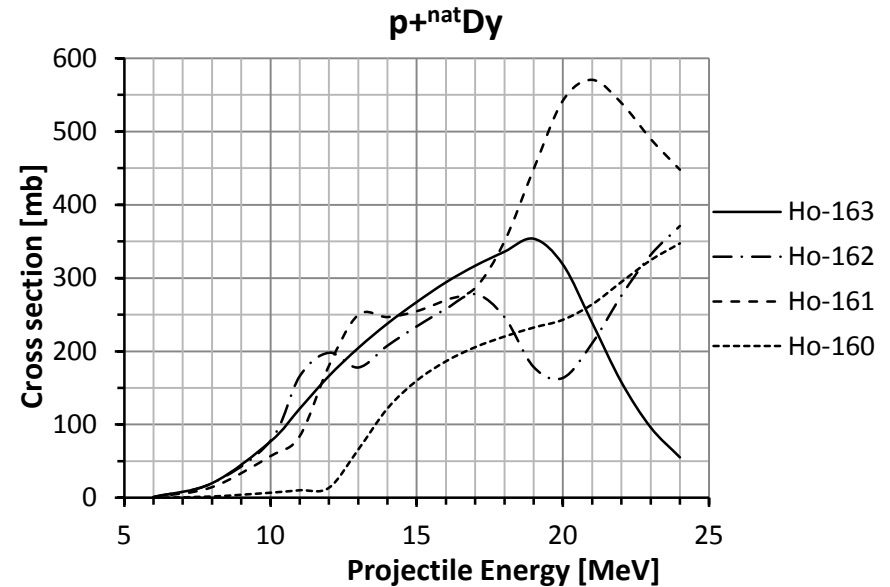
Calculations by Maiti et al.

${}^{\text{nat}}\text{Dy}(p, xn) {}^{163}\text{Ho}$
 $\sigma \sim 350 \text{ mb at } 19 \text{ MeV}$

Contributors:

${}^{163}\text{Dy} (24.9\%)(p, n) {}^{163}\text{Ho} (\sigma \sim 0.4 \text{ mb})$

${}^{164}\text{Dy} (28.2\%)(p, 2n) {}^{163}\text{Ho} (\sigma \sim 1254 \text{ mb})$



Ho157 12.6 m 7/2-	Ho158 11.3 m 5+	Ho159 33.05 m 7/2-	Ho160 25.6 m 5+	Ho161 2.48 h 7/2-	Ho162 15.0 m 1+	Ho163 4570 y 7/2-	Ho164 29 m 1+	Ho165 7/2-
EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC, β	100
Dy156 0+	Dy157 814 h 3/2-	Dy158 0+	Dy159 144.4 d 3/2-	Dy160 0+	Dy161 5/2+	Dy162 0+	Dy163 5/2-	Dy164 0+
0.06	EC	0.10	EC	2.34	18.9	25.5	24.9	28.2

$\alpha + \text{Dy}_2\text{O}_3$

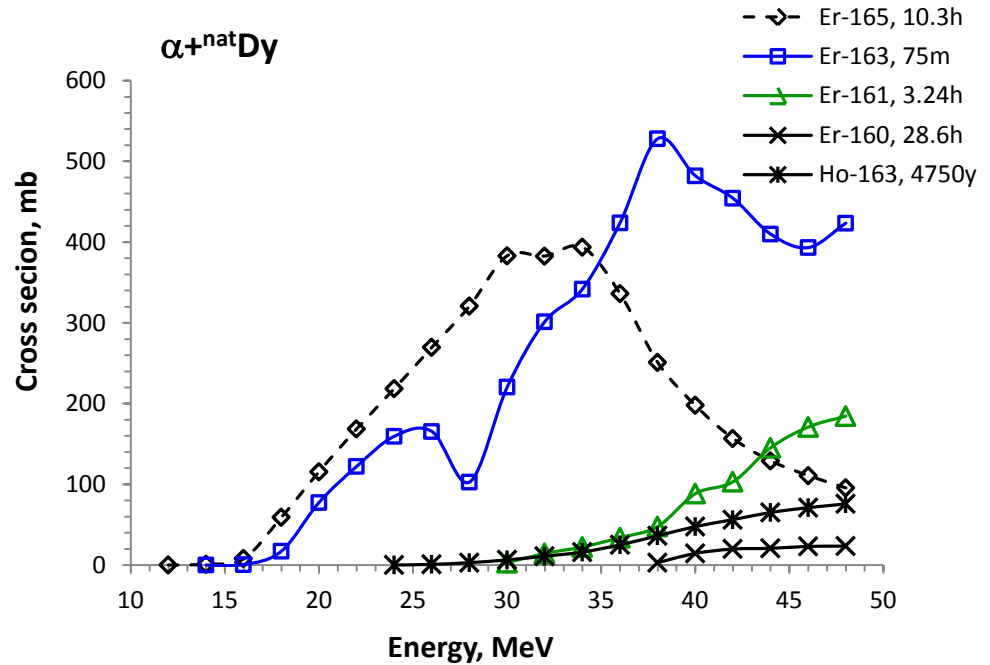
Irradiation parameters:

Projectile : α

$E_p = 40 \text{ MeV}$

first target: $1 \mu\text{A}$, 7 h irradiation

second target: $3 \mu\text{A}$, 11 h irradiation

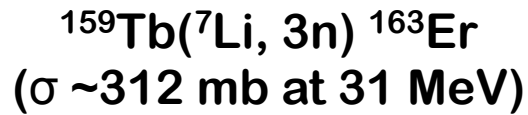


$\text{natDy}(\alpha, xn) {}^{163}\text{Er} (\varepsilon) {}^{163}\text{Ho}$
($\sigma \sim 500 \text{ mb}$ at 40 MeV)

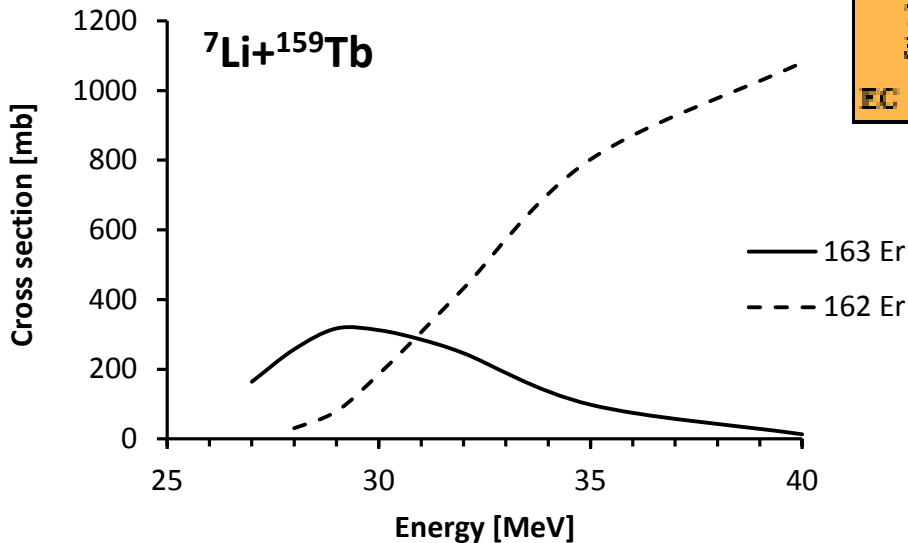
Exhaustive Chemistry !!

Experiment and Calculations by Maiti et al.

Li-induced reaction



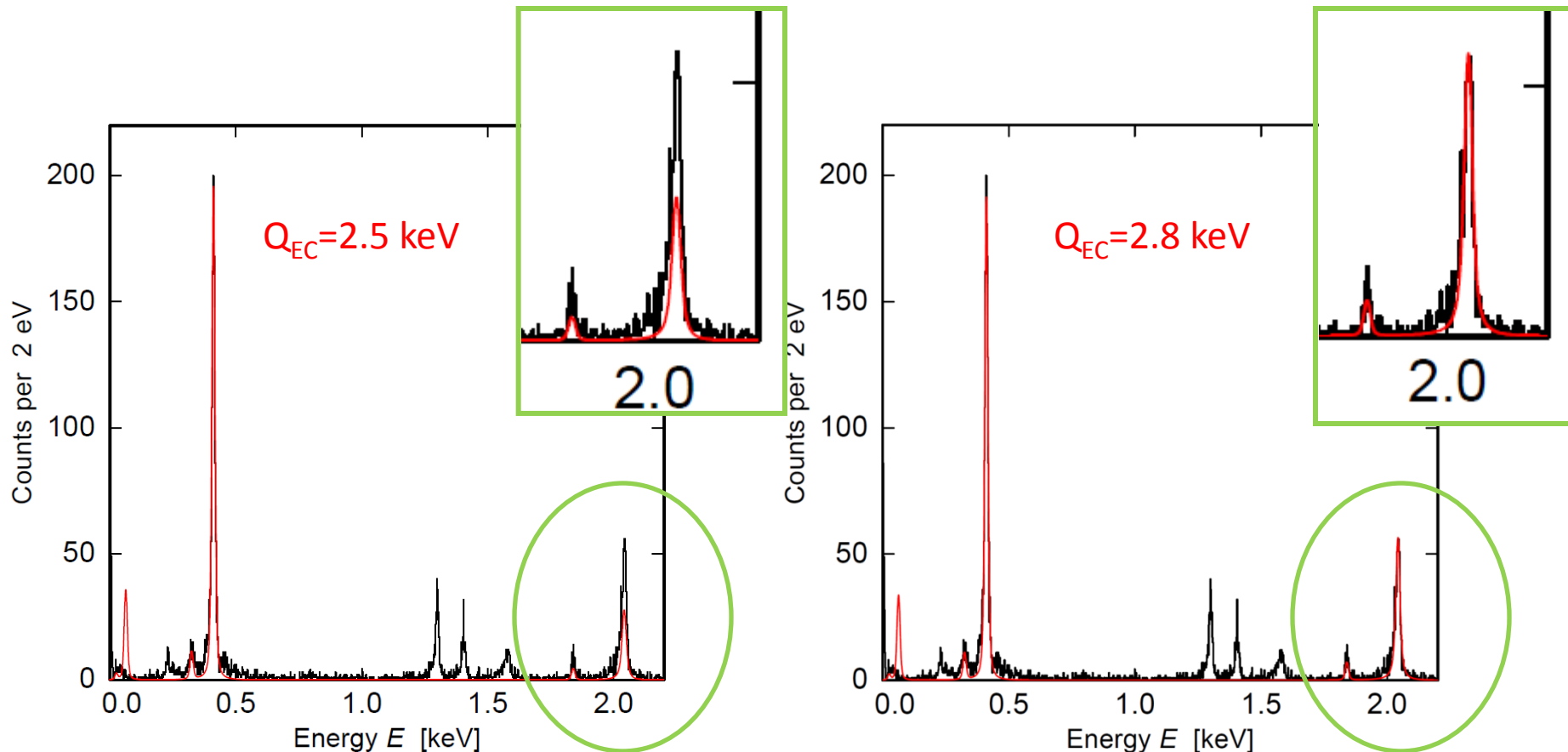
Er160 28.58 h 0+	Er161 3.21 h 3/2-	Er162 0+	Er163 75.0 m 5/2-	Er164 0+	Er165 10.36 h 5/2-	Er166 0+
EC	EC	0.14	EC	1.61	EC	33.6
Hol159 33.05 m 7/2- ±	Hol160 25.6 m 5+ ±	Hol161 2.48 h 7/2- ±	Hol162 15.0 m 1+ ±	Hol163 4570 y 7/2- ±	Hol164 29 m 1+ ±	Hol165 7/2-
EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC,β	100
Dy158 0+	Dy159 144.4 d 3/2-	Dy160 0+	Dy161 5/2+	Dy162 0+	Dy163 5/2-	Dy164 0+
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Tb157 71 y 3/2+	Tb158 180 y 3- ±	Tb159 3/2+	Tb160 72.3 d 3-	Tb161 6.88 d 3/2+	Tb162 7.60 m 1-	Tb163 19.5 m 3/2+
EC	EC,β	100	β	β	β	β



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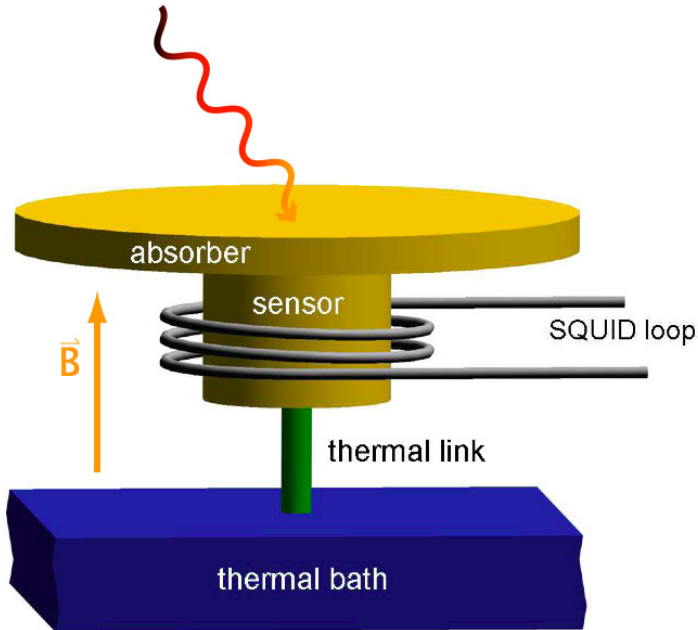
^{163}Ho experiment: Calorimetric spectrum

Determination of the Q_{EC} value from the intensity of the lines for $m_\nu=0$:

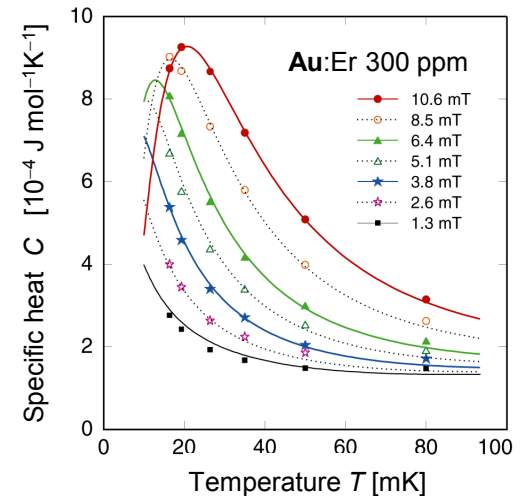
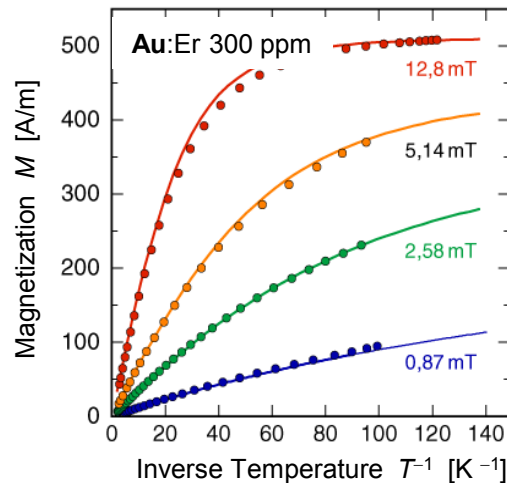


MMCs: Concept

- Paramagnetic Au:Er sensor



$$\Delta\Phi_s \propto \frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \Delta T \rightarrow \Delta\Phi_s \propto \frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \frac{E}{C_{\text{sens}} + C_{\text{abs}}}$$



Main differences to calorimeters with resistive thermometers

no dissipation in the sensor

no galvanic contact to the sensor