

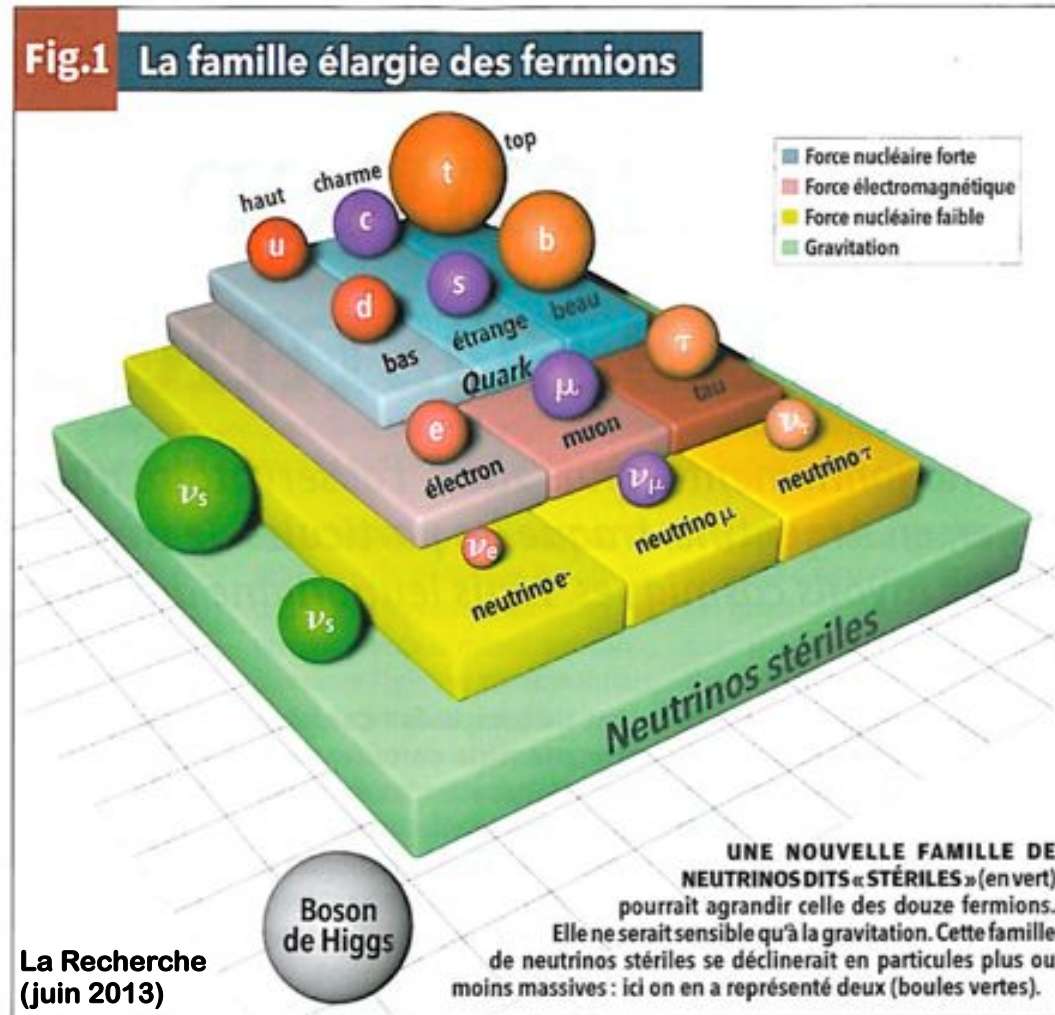
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Physics Case





Double Chooz By-Product

PHYSICAL REVIEW C 83, 054615 (2011) → 138 citations

Improved predictions of reactor antineutrino spectra

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Reactor antineutrino anomaly

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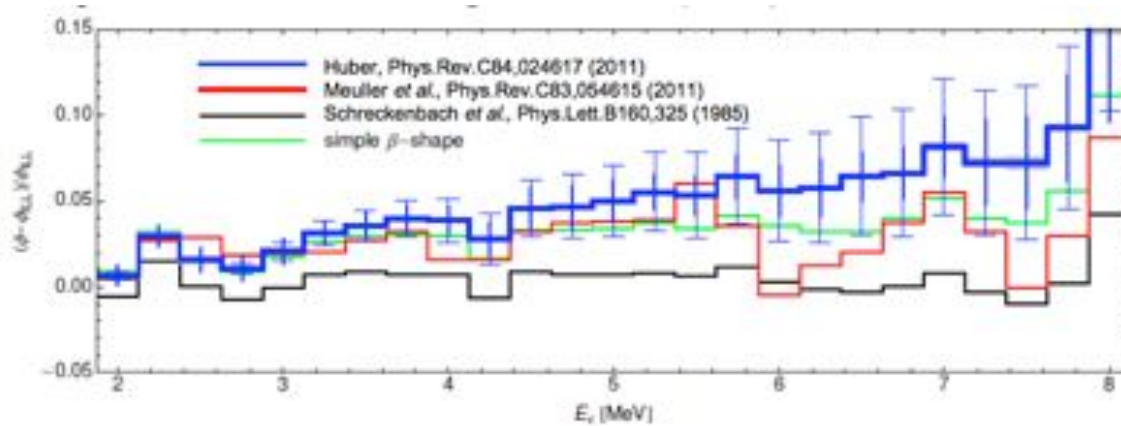
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The Reactor Anomaly

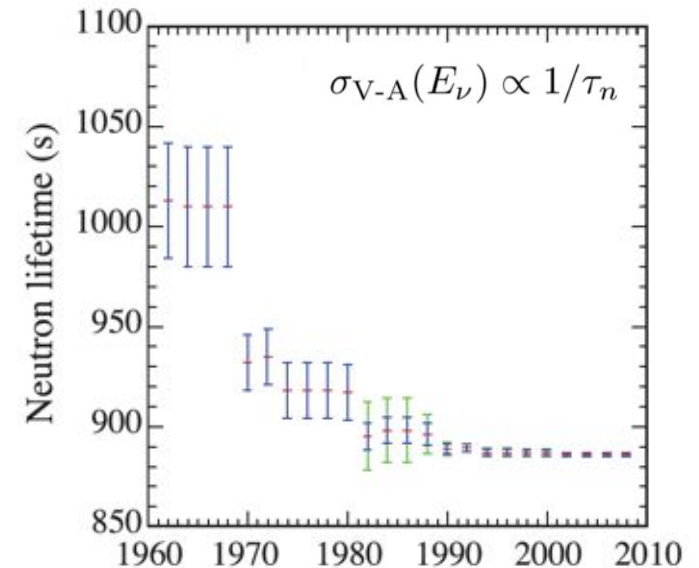
- i) **ν_{emission}** : Improved reactor neutrino spectra \rightarrow +4%



PRC83, 054615 (2011)

PRC84, 024617 (2011)

- ii) **$\nu_{\text{detection}}$** : Reevaluation of σ_{IBD} \rightarrow +1.5%
 Evolution of the neutron life time
 PRD 83, 073006 (2011)



- iii) **$\nu_{\text{detection}}$** : Accounting for long-lived isotopes in reactors \rightarrow +1%
 PRD 83, 073006 (2011)

The Reactor Anomaly: Update

The reactor antineutrino anomaly in the light of latest oscillation results

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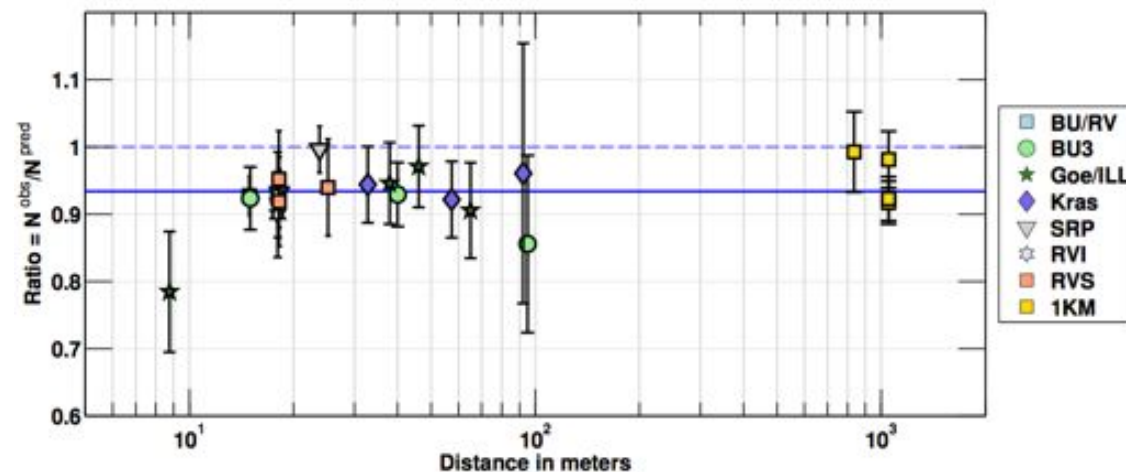
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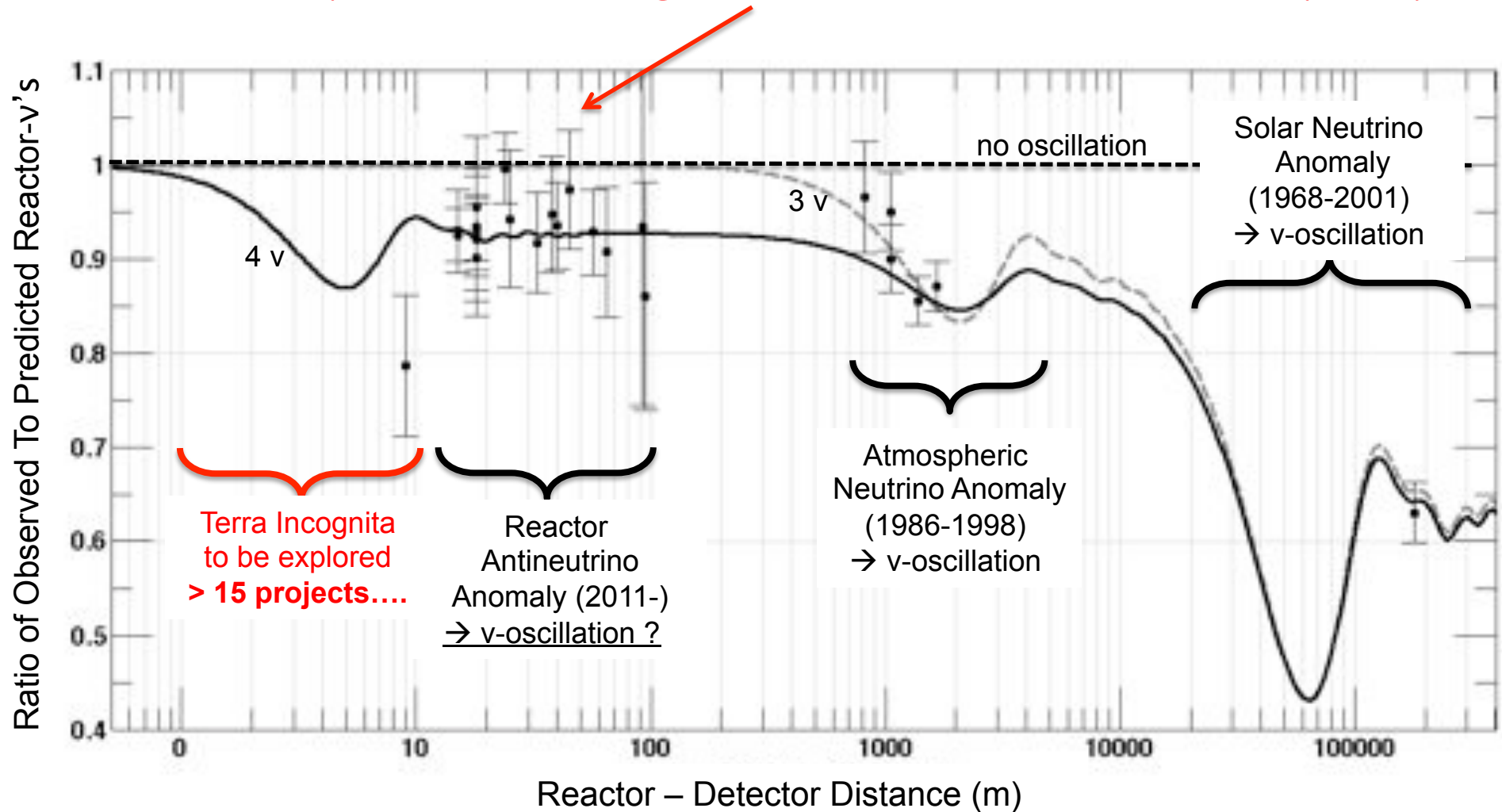
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We provide a re-evaluation of the analysis of short and middle baseline reactor neutrino experiments, leading to an update of the reactor antineutrino anomaly [1]. We use the most recent reactor antineutrino spectra [2] and inverse beta decay (IBD) cross section, as well as current best knowledge of the θ_{13} mixing angle independent from reactor flux normalization to include reactor experiments with a kilometer baseline. The synthesis of published experiments at reactor-detector distances below 100 m leads to a ratio of observed to predicted event rate of 0.938 ± 0.012 (IBD) ± 0.022 (Spectra). Independently, experiments performed with a baseline around 1 km, Palo Verde, Chooz, and Double Chooz, yield a consistent average ratio of 0.934 ± 0.017 (IBD) ± 0.021 (Spectra). Combining both results provide an overall ratio of 0.934 ± 0.009 (IBD) ± 0.021 (Spectra). The reactor antineutrino anomaly significance is therefore unaffected by inclusion of 1 km-scale baseline reactor neutrino experiments. The updated significance of the reactor anomaly using all relevant data is now 2.8σ , based on a rate-only analysis. → To be submitted to PRD



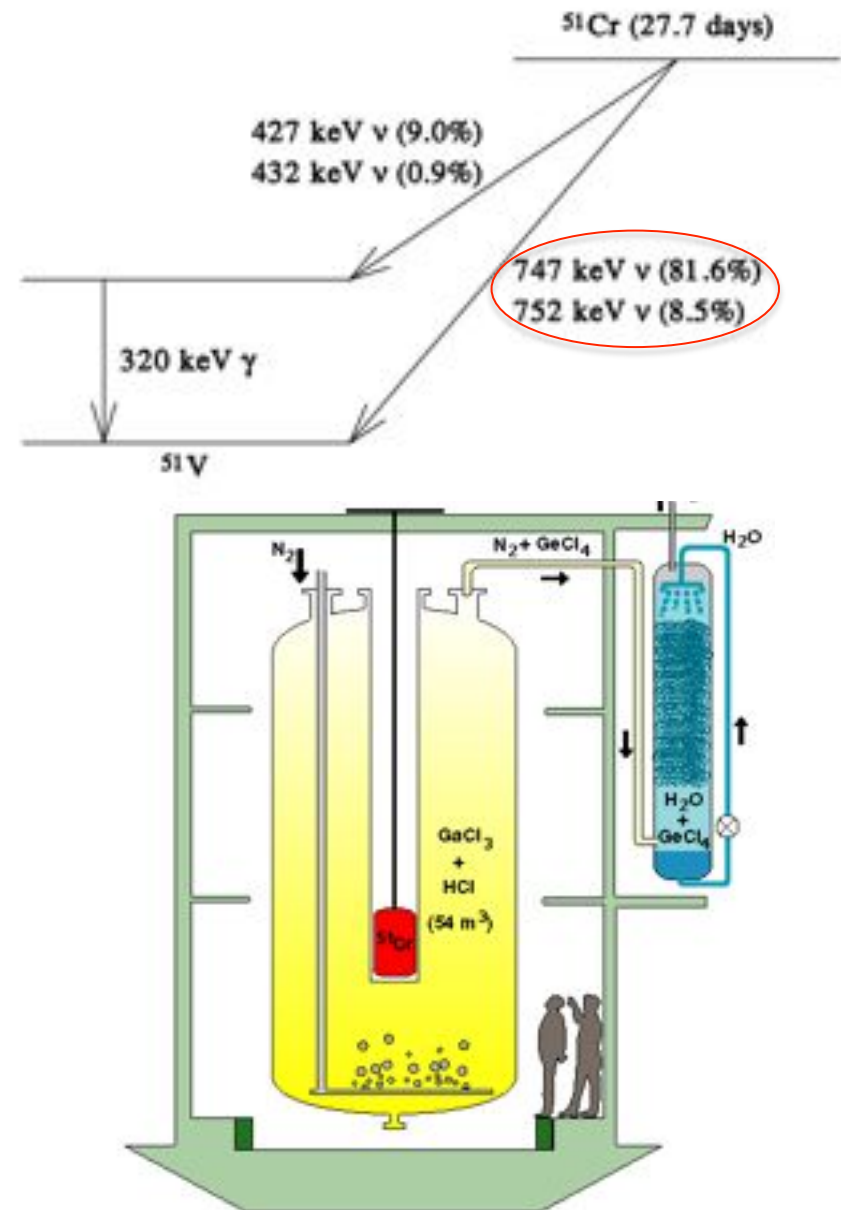
The Reactor Anomaly

- Observed/predicted averaged event ratio: $R=0.934\pm0.023$ (2.8σ)



The Gallium Neutrino Anomaly

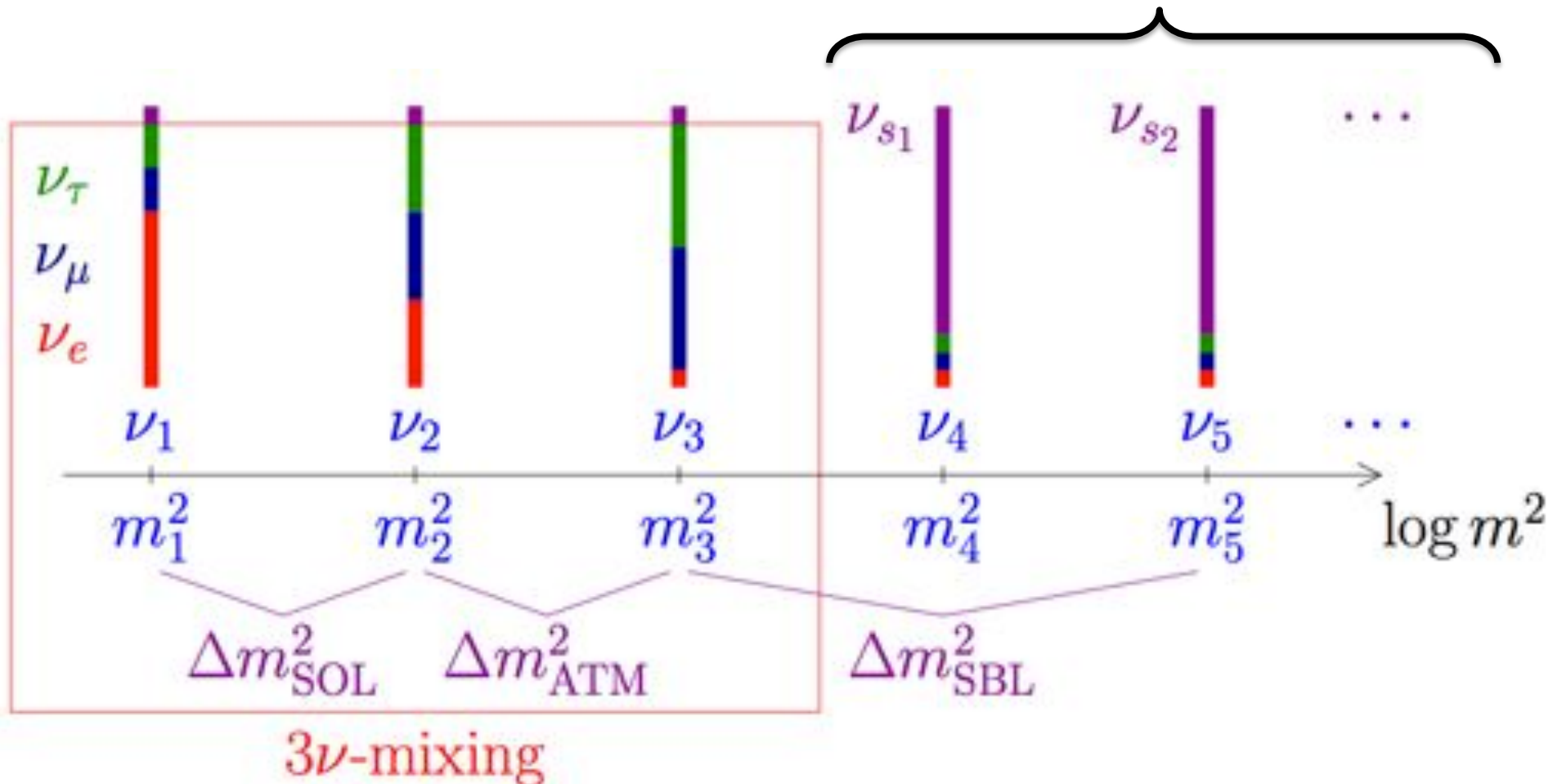
- Test of solar neutrino detectors GALLEX and SAGE (ν_e 's)
 - $E \approx \text{MeV}$, Baseline range $\approx \text{few m}$
- 4 calibration runs
 - $\approx 1\text{-}2 \text{ MCi EC } \nu_e \text{ emitters}$
 - Gallex
 - ^{51}Cr source (750 keV)
 - Sage
 - ^{51}Cr & ^{37}Ar (810 keV)
- Deficit observed
 - $R_{\text{obs/pred}} = 0.86 \pm 0.05$ (σ_{Bahcall})
 - $R_{\text{obs/pred}} = 0.76 \pm 0.085$ (σ_{Haxton})



Adding Sterile Neutrinos

Introduce a light ν_R in SM, No SM interactions mixing with active ν 's

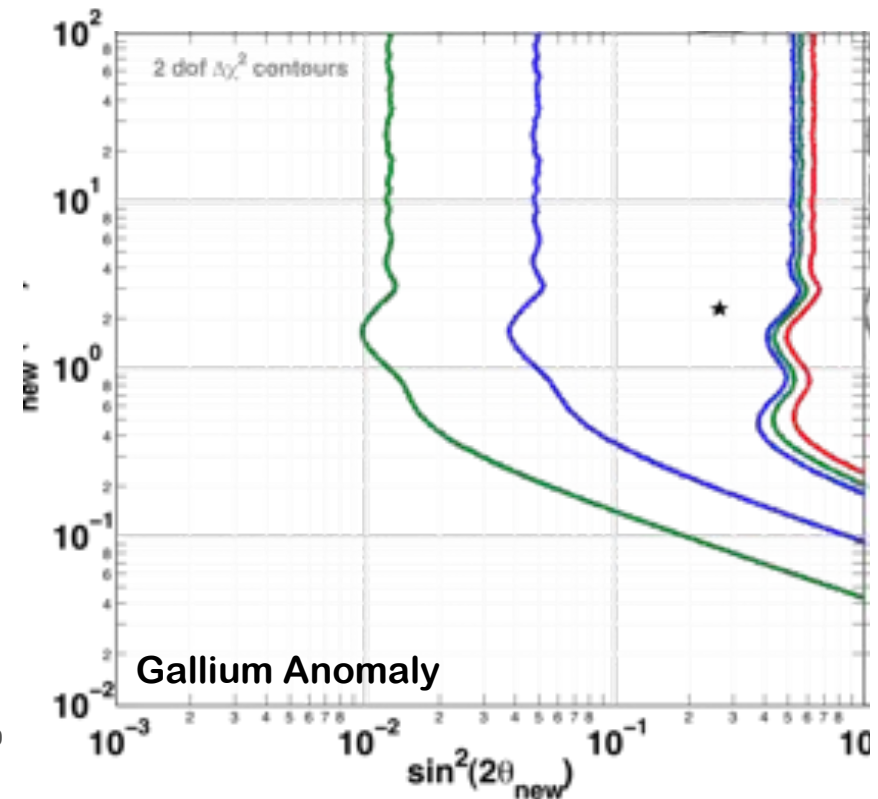
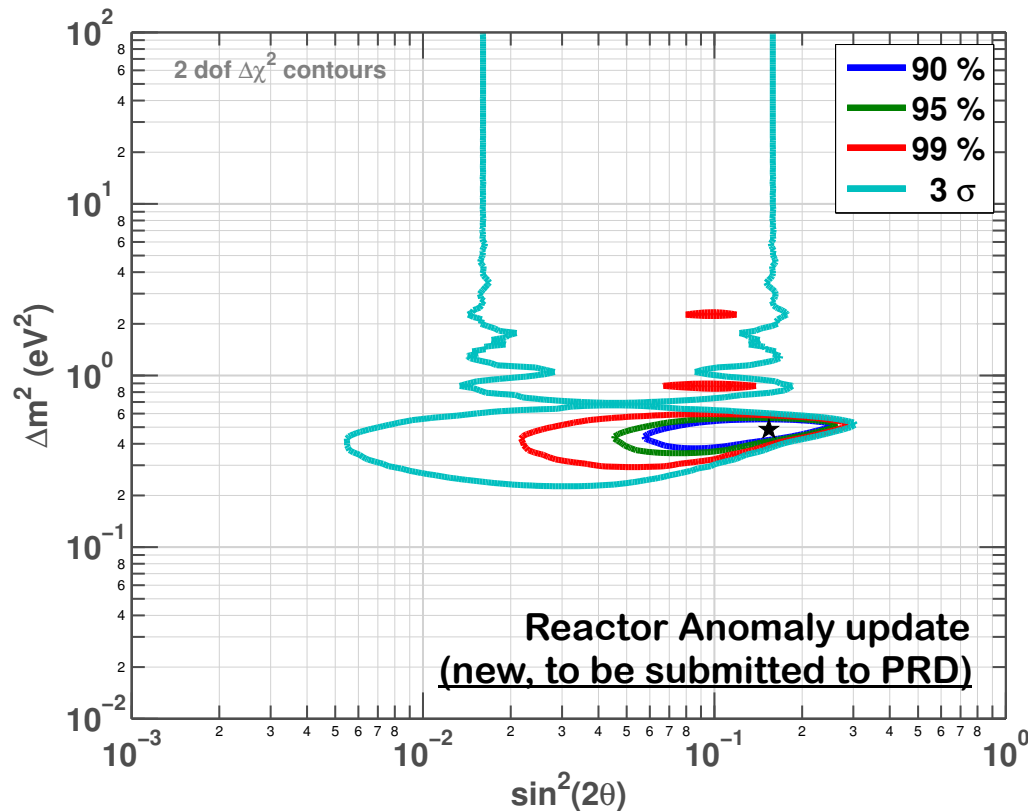
No coupling with Z boson (LEP)



The 4th neutrino hypothesis

Fit to ν_e disappearance hypothesis (3+1)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{\text{new}} & \sin \theta_{\text{new}} \\ -\sin \theta_{\text{new}} & \cos \theta_{\text{new}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_{\text{new}} \end{pmatrix}, P_{ee} = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{\text{new}}) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{\text{new}}^2 L}{E}\right)$$



No-oscillation hypothesis disfavored at 99.9% C.L. (PRD 83, 073006, 2011)

Anomalies & 4th Neutrino

Anomaly	Source	Type	Sensitivity to Oscillation	Channel	Significance
LSND	Decay-at-Rest	$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$	<u>Total Rate, Energy</u>	CC	3.8 σ
MiniBoone	Short baseline	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$	<u>Total Rate, Energy</u>	CC	3.8 σ
Gallium	Electron Capture	ν_e dis.	<u>Total Rate</u>	CC	2.7 σ
Reactor	Beta-decay	$\bar{\nu}_e$ dis.	<u>Total Rate, Energy</u>	CC	<u>2.8 σ (new)</u>
Cosmology	Big-Bang	All	Number of ν , N_{eff}	$N_{\text{eff}} = 3$ or 4 allowed	

Could be interpreted with a 4th neutrino state?



CeLAND: Concept



^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr to search for a 4th ν

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PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Proposed Search for a Fourth Neutrino with a PBq Antineutrino Source

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Several observed anomalies in neutrino oscillation data can be explained by a hypothetical fourth neutrino separated from the three standard neutrinos by a squared mass difference of a few eV². We show that this hypothesis can be tested with a PBq (ten kilocurie scale) ^{144}Ce or ^{106}Ru antineutrino beta source deployed at the center of a large low background liquid scintillator detector. In particular, the compact size of such a source could yield an energy-dependent oscillating pattern in event spatial distribution that would unambiguously determine neutrino mass differences and mixing angles.

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Testing $(\bar{\nu}_e)$ disappearance anomalies

- GA & RAA arise from comparisons between data and event prediction → **Need a conclusive technique**

- Input from Sterile Neutrino Fits

- $\Delta m^2 \approx 0.1-10 \text{ eV}^2 \rightarrow L_{\text{osc}}(\text{m}) = 2.5 \frac{E(\text{MeV})}{\Delta m^2(\text{eV}^2)} \approx 2-10 \text{ m}$
- $\sin^2(2\theta_{\text{new}}) \approx 0.1$

- **Experimental Specifications**

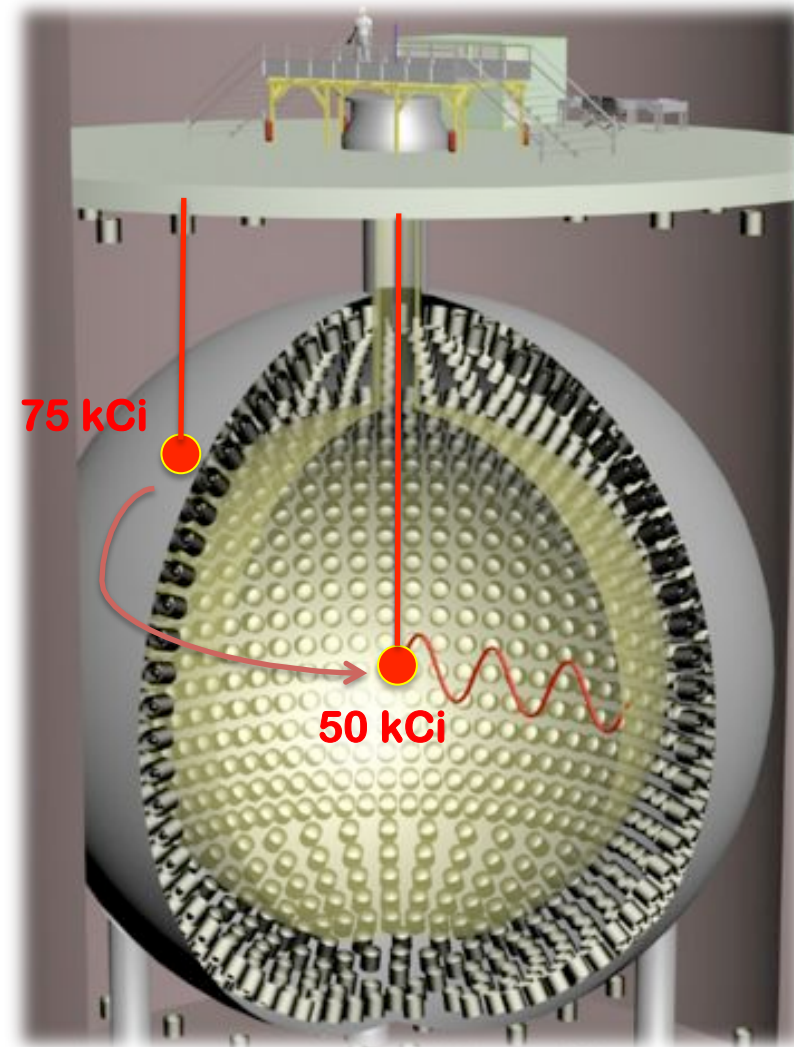
- Search for L, E, L/E pattern (shape only)
- Complement with a rate analysis (direct test of RAA+GA)
- $\Delta m^2 \approx \text{eV}^2$: compact source <1m & good vertex resolution (<1m)
- $\sin^2(2\theta_{\text{new}})$: experiment with few % stat. syst. uncertainties

ν generator proposals

Type	Detection	Background	Source Type	Production	Activity (MCi)		Projects
ν_e	$\nu_e e \rightarrow \nu_e e$ Compton edge $5\% E_{res}$ $15cm R_{res}$	radioactivity (managable) Solar ν (irreducible) ν -Source (out ok but in ?)	^{51}Cr 0.75 MeV $t_{1/2}=26d$	n_{th} irradiation in Reactor	in	>3	Sage LENS
					out	>10	SOX* SNO+
			^{37}Ar 0.8 MeV $t_{1/2}=35d$	n_{fast} irradiation in Reactor (breeder)	in	>1	-
					out	5	Ricochet (NC)
$\bar{\nu}_e$	$\bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$ $E_{th}=1.8 MeV$ (e^+, n) coincidence $5\% E_{res}$ $15cm R_{res}$	reactor ν , geo ν , ν -Source \rightarrow Background free Expt !	^{144}Ce $E < 3MeV$ $t_{1/2}=285d$	spent nuclear fuel reprocessing + REE extraction	In/out	0.075	CeLAND* SOX
					out	0.5	Daya-Bay
			^{90}Sr ^{106}Rh		-	-	-
			^{42}Ar		-	-	-

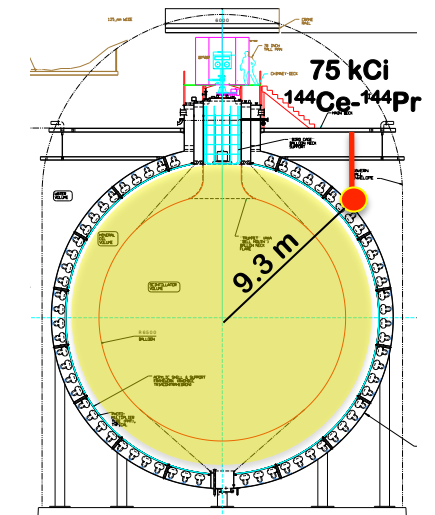
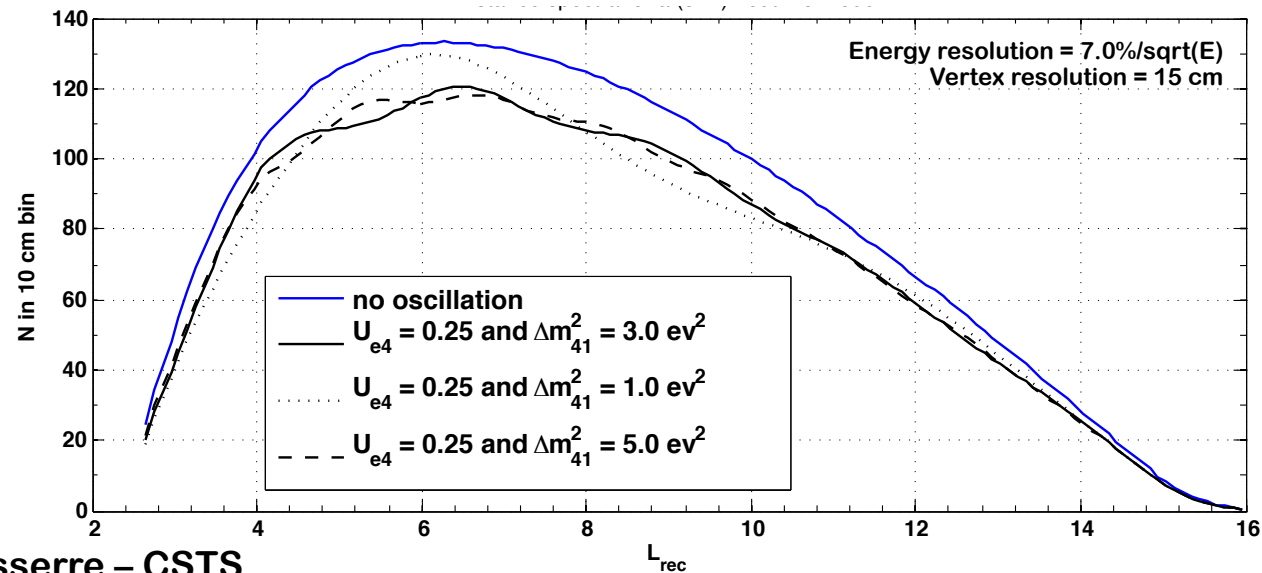
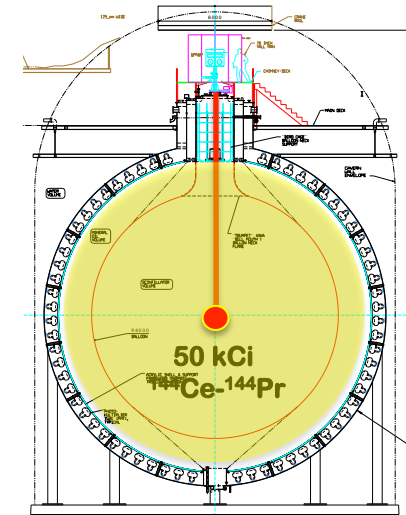
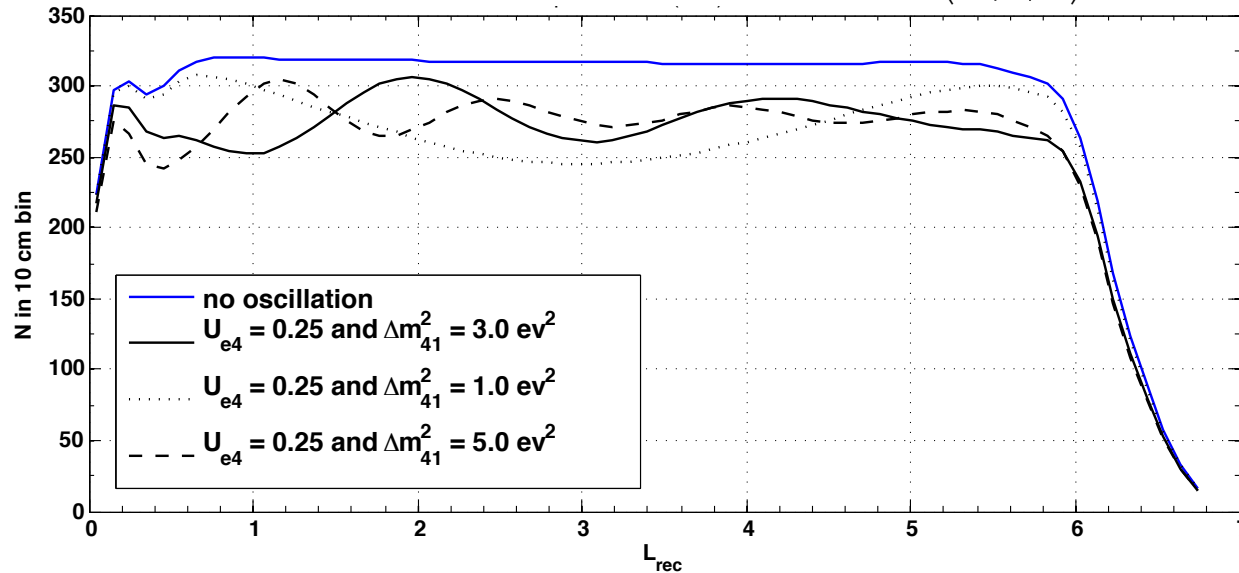
Oscillometry inside a ν -detector

- Test ν anomalies
- Place the ν -emitter inside or close to existing detectors
 - High-Activity compact source
 - Very short baseline (few m)
 - Low Background
- Phase 1: 2015
 75 kCi ν -source in KamLAND OD
- Phase 2: 2016/7 if feasible
 50 kCi ν -source at center of LS



Unambiguous Proof of $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$ Oscillation

$$\frac{dN}{dR}(R,t) \propto \frac{A(t)}{4\pi R^2} \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times N_p \times \cancel{4\pi R^2} \times P_{ee} \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 R}{\langle E \rangle} \right)$$



Antineutrino Source: $^{144}\text{Ce}-^{144}\text{Pr}$

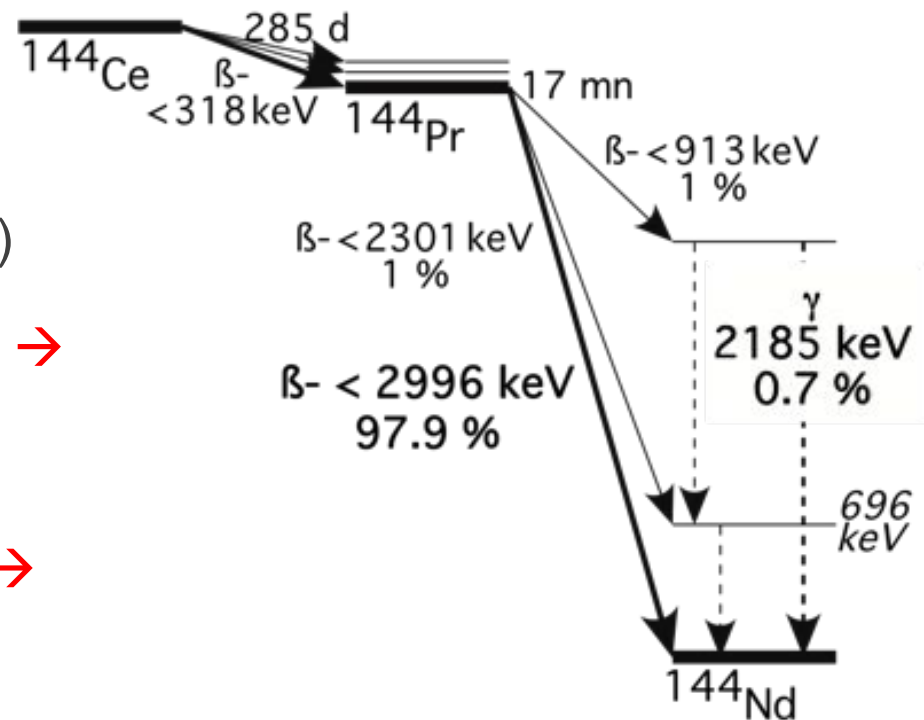
(ITEP N°90 1994, PRL 107, 201801, 2011)



- 1st Trick: $\bar{\nu}_e$ source detected via $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ (Thr=1.8 MeV)
 - High IBD cross section \rightarrow 10-100 kCi activity
 - (e^+, n) detected in coincidence \rightarrow Background free

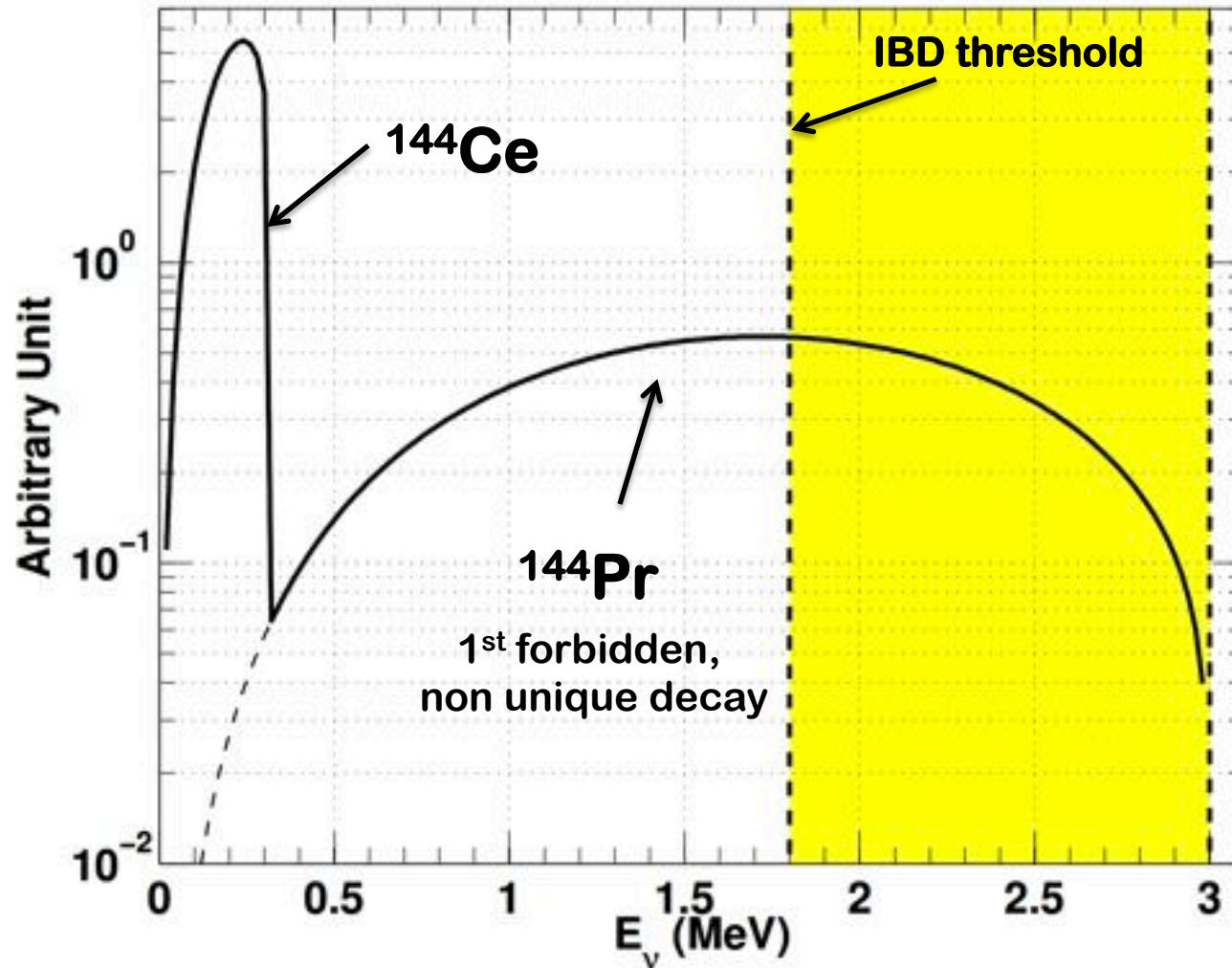
- 2nd Trick: $^{144}\text{Ce}-^{144}\text{Pr}$

- Abundant fission product (5%)
- ^{144}Ce : long-lived & low- Q_β \rightarrow Enough time to produce, transport, use
- ^{144}Pr : short-lived & high- Q_β \rightarrow $\bar{\nu}_e$ -emitter above threshold



^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr ν Spectra (Irfu / LNHB)

- Theoretical computation of neutrino spectra ongoing
- Measurement in sept. 2013 with LNHB





^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr Antineutrino Generator Production



^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr 75 kCi: Specifications

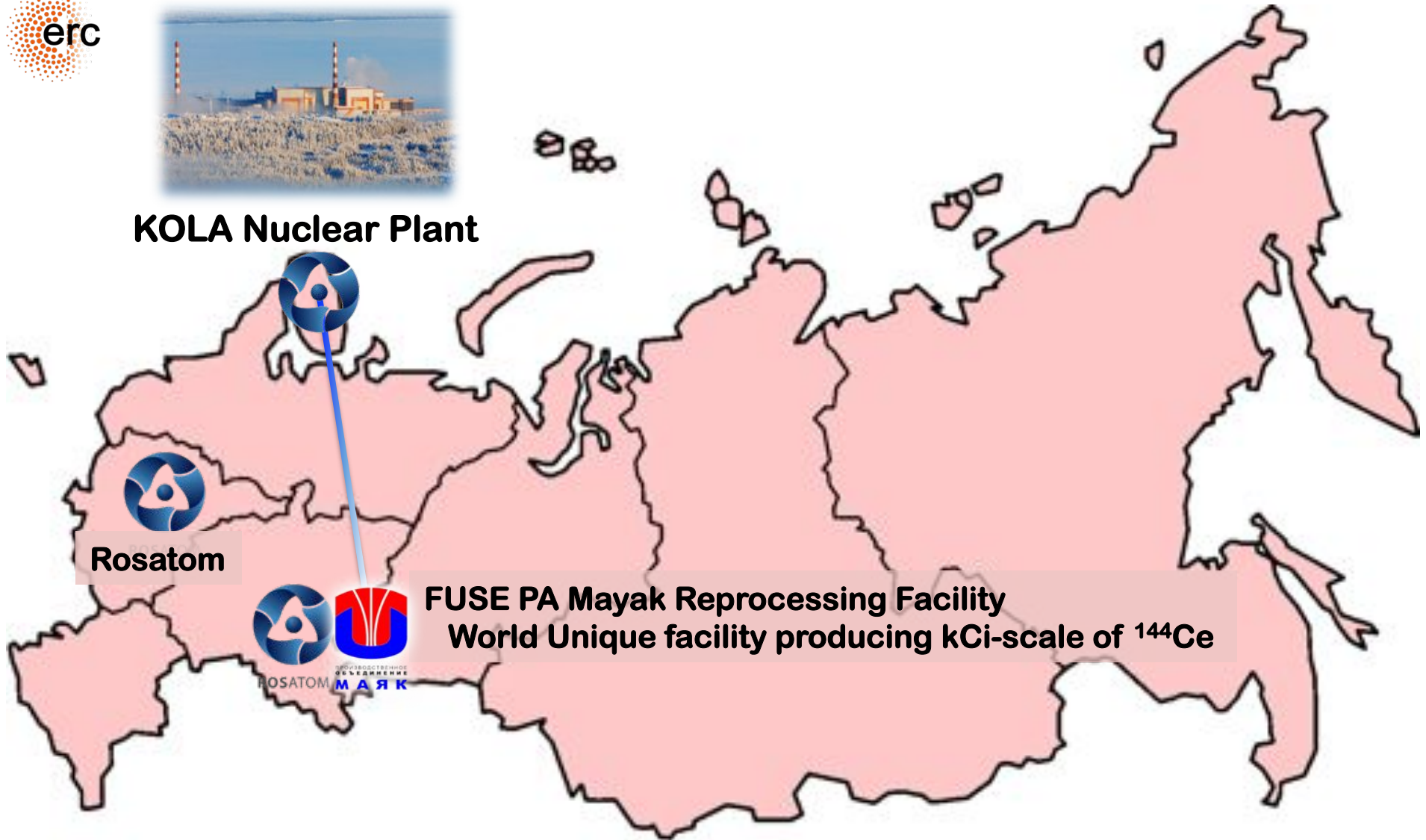
- β activity at delivery
 - **Between 75 kCi and 100 kCi**
- Chemical form : cerium oxyde CeO_2
- Density : between 4 and 5 g/cm³
- Fitting inside a D:H=18 cm : 18 cm cylinder
 - Fuel less than 4 y old at the end of the production
- Insertion of source inside a high-Z shield at Mayak
- Purity data from ^{147}Pm production line (TBC for ^{144}Ce)
 - Content of any others RE (γ -emitters) in Ce $\leq 10^{-9}$ Ci/Ci
 - Content of Pu and TPE (n emitters) in Ce $\leq 10^{-10}$ Ci/Ci



Russian Institutions & Facilities



KOLA Nuclear Plant



Rosatom

FUSE PA Mayak Reprocessing Facility
World Unique facility producing kCi-scale of ^{144}Ce

Technico-financial issues being discussed with Rosatom & PA Mayak

Spent Nuclear Fuel (Mayak / Irfu / Mephi)



- Cerium : 5.5% / 3.7% in the fission products of U / Pu
- ^{144}Ce decays with a half-life of 411 days. 3 years after last irradiation $m(^{144}\text{Ce})/m(\text{Ce}) = 1 / 128$
- Selection of SNFE in Cola NPP
- Delivery of SNF from Cola NPP to FSUE "Mayak" PA (3000 km)
 - TUK-6 container →
- PA Mayak made preliminary arrangement to receive fresh fuel for ^{144}Ce prod. early 2014



Overview of the process (Mayak / Irfu)



- Radiochemical Plant
 - Standard radiochemical re-processing of SNF
 - **Separation of CeO_2**
 - Primary encapsulation
 - Activity measurement (3%)

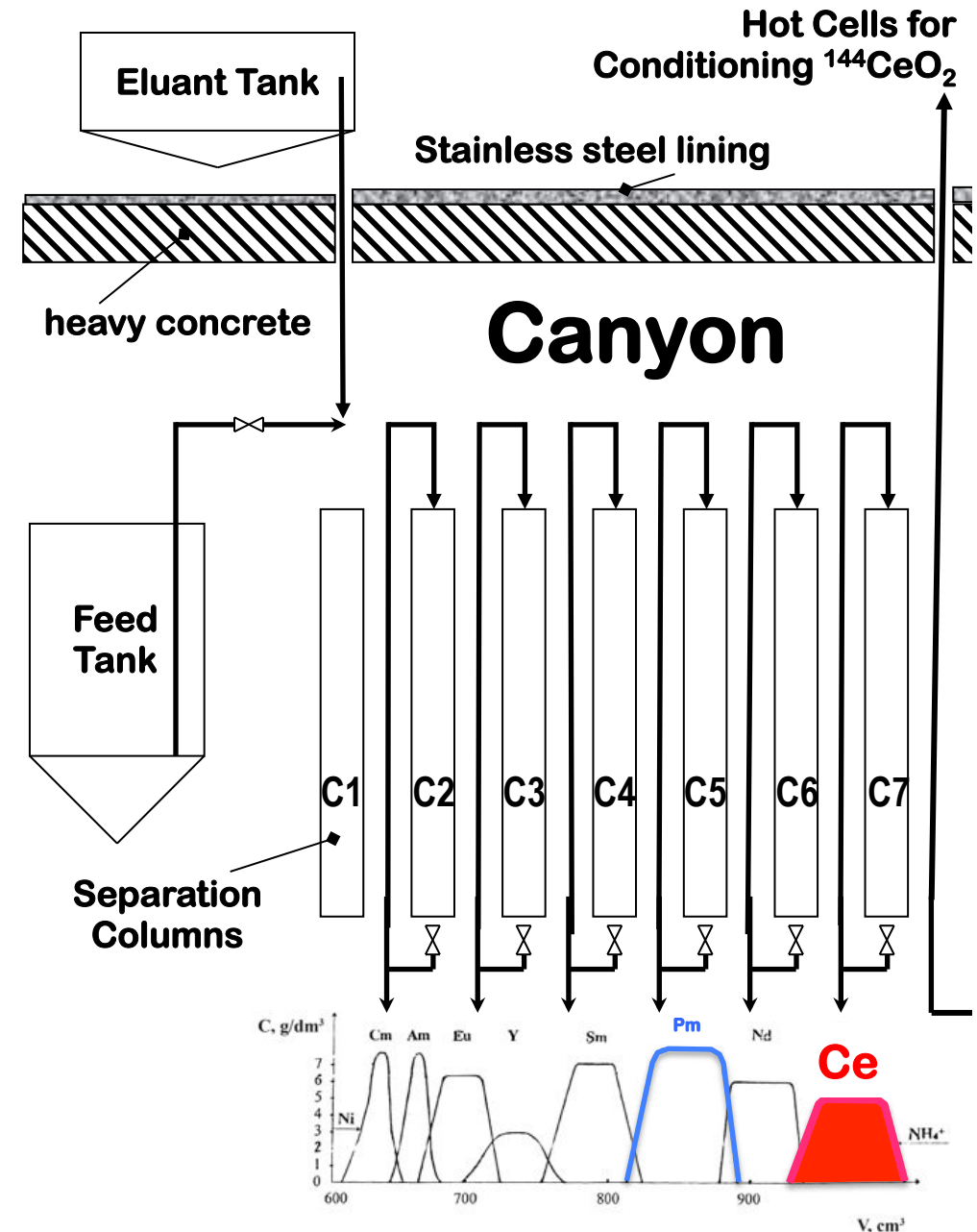
- Radioisotope Plant
 - Source manufacture
 - Certification ISO 9978
 - Loading into W-shield
 - Loading into container

- Dedicated upgrade of Mayak facilities for Ce prod. defined



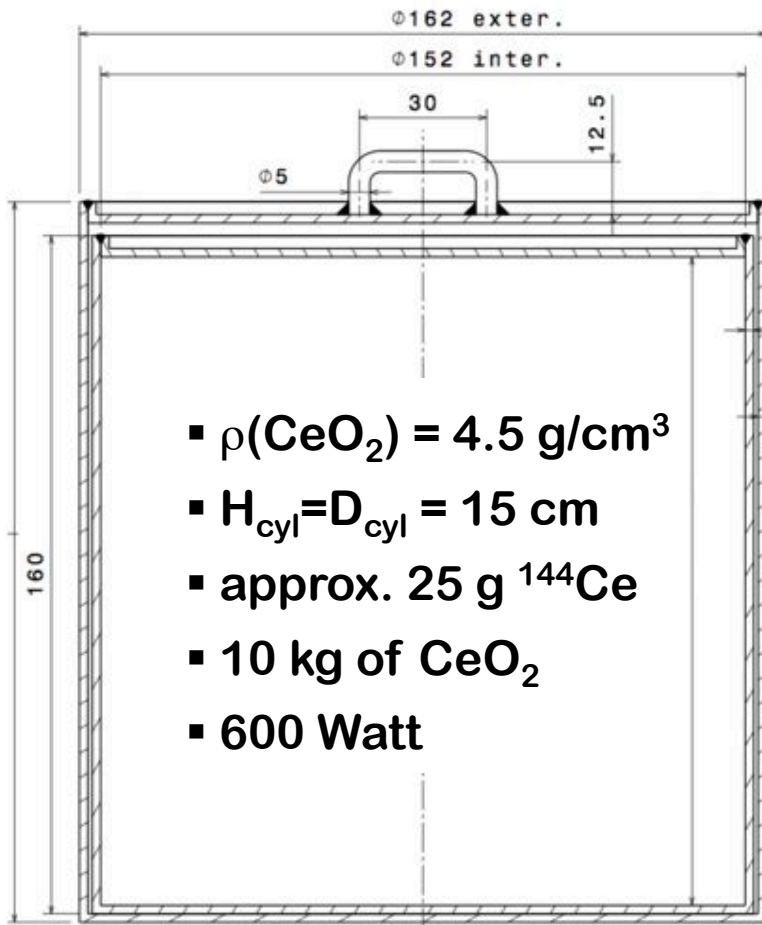
Extraction of Cerium Solution

- Complexing agent displacement chromatography for Rare Earth elements (REE)
- **VVR-440 Spent Nuclear Fuel:**
 - PA Mayak: 100 t SNF/y
 - 1 ton SNF:
 - 13 kg REE
 - 22 g ^{144}Ce (3 y, 70 kCi)
- **Production (3-4 y old SNF)**
 - <3 tons of SNF needed
 - But 10 ton special production for Ce & Pm
 - 4-6 months (mid-2014)



^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr : capsule (Irfu / X / Mayak)

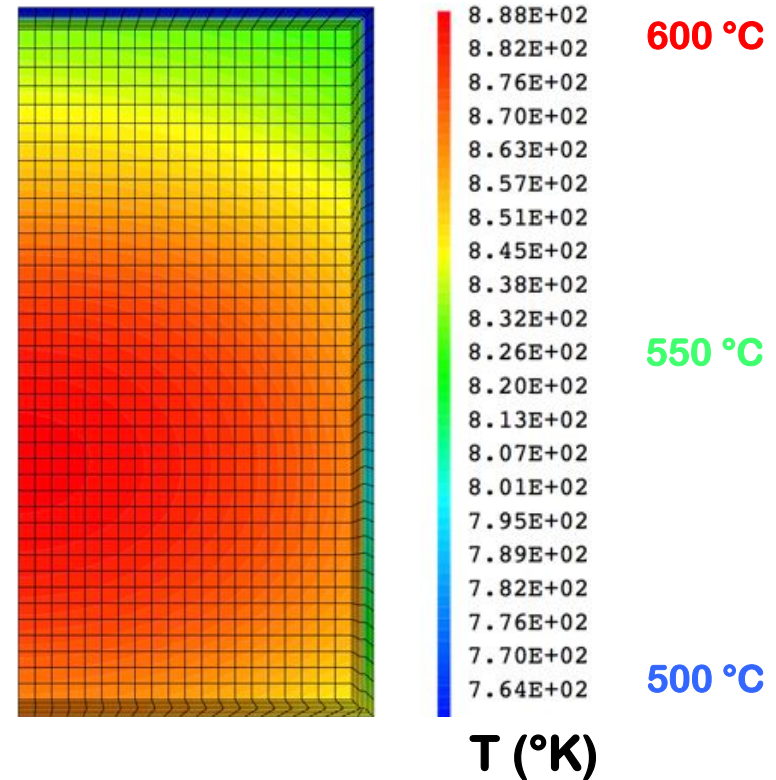
Mechanical design



Final capsule designed by PA Mayak as special form of radioactive material (ISO 9978)

Thermal study

Conduction + Convection
No radiation loss



Stainless Steel suitable

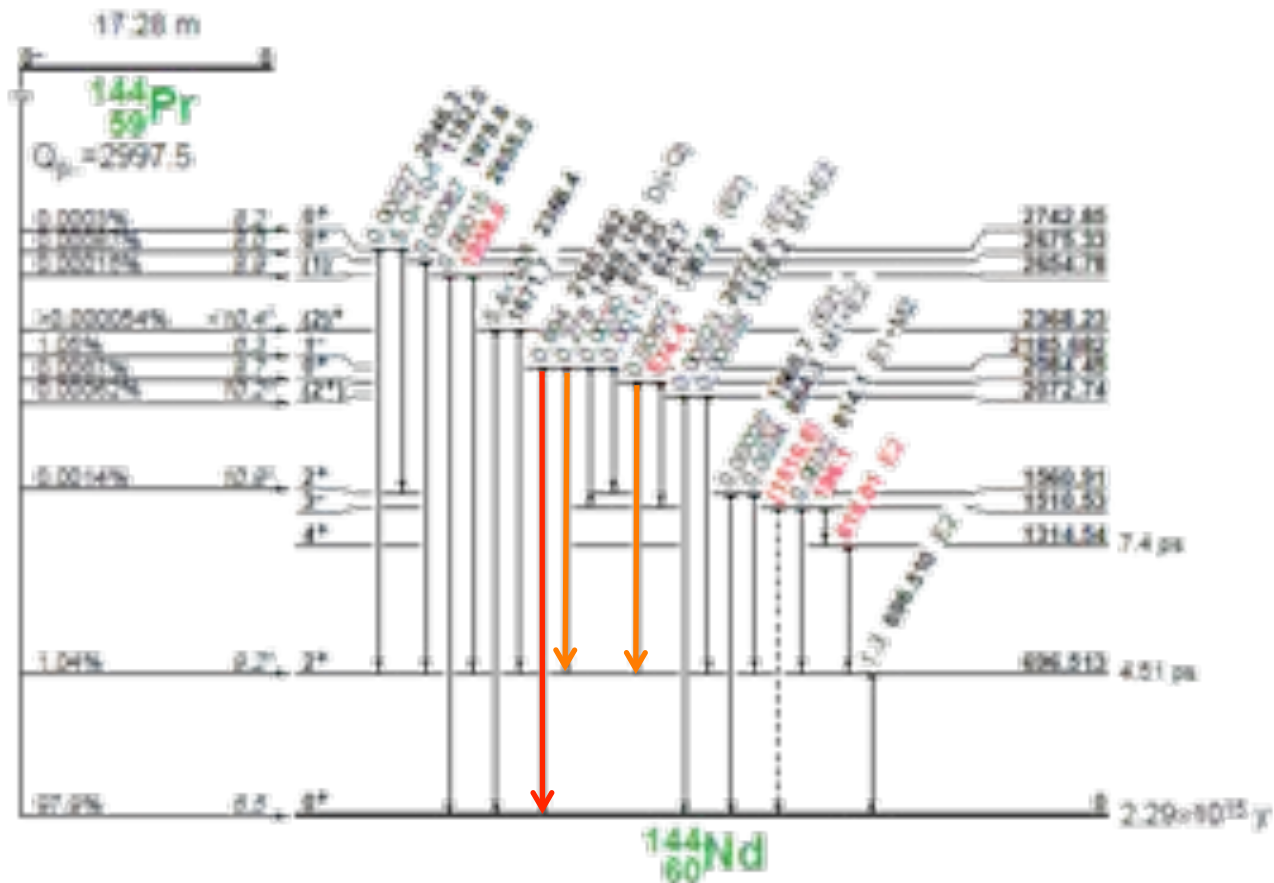


High-Z Shielding

Gamma Backgrounds of ^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr



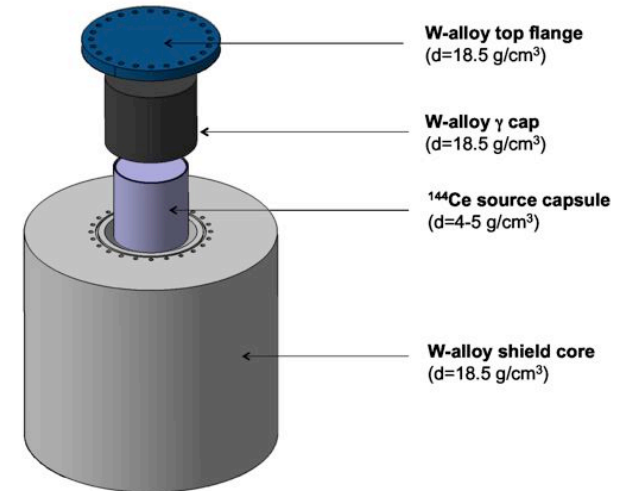
- γ rays produced by the decay through excited states of ^{144}Pr
 - Intensity $\gamma > 1 \text{ MeV}$
 - 1380 keV – 0.007 %
 - 1489 keV – 0.3 %
 - Intensity $\gamma > 2 \text{ MeV}$
 - 2185 keV – 0.7 %
 - (10¹⁰ γ /sec for 50 kCi)



CeLAND: high-Z Shielding

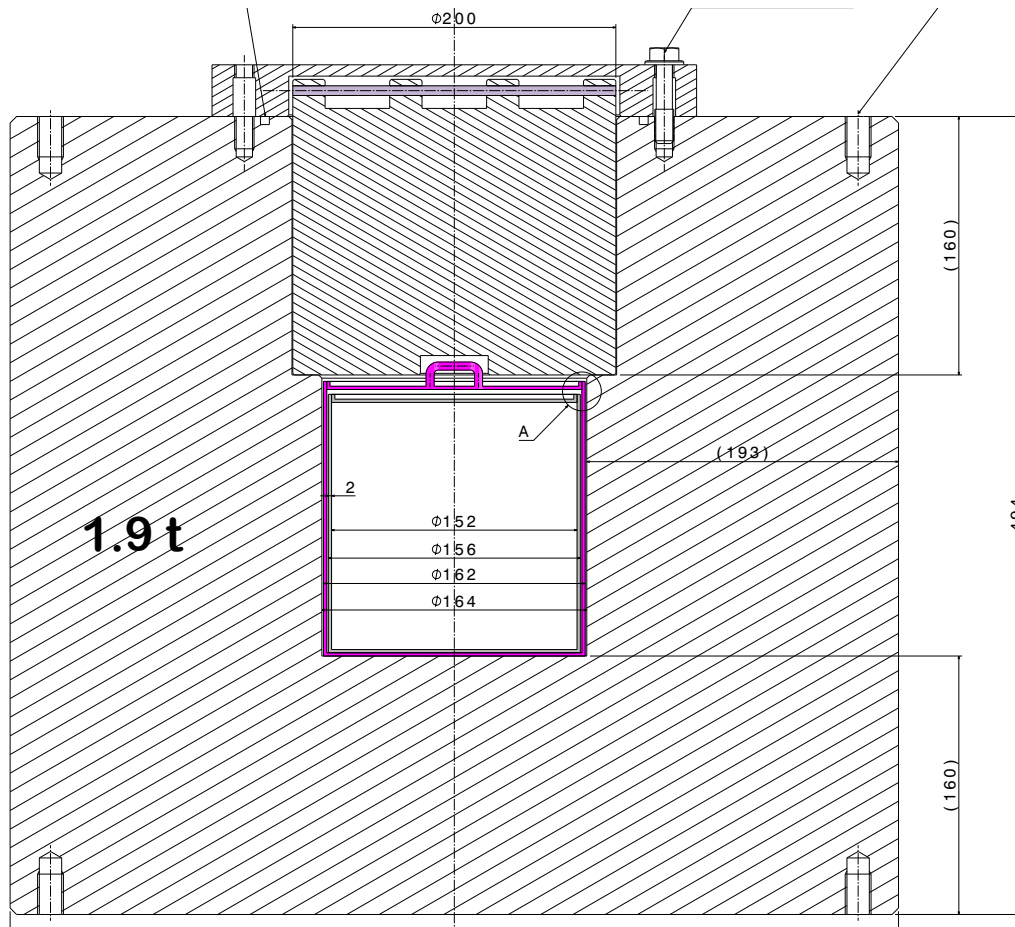
- **Absorption of the 2.18 MeV γ 's**
 - **Suitable for the transportation**
 - Few cm of tungsten-alloy
 - **Usual biological protection**
 - \approx 15 cm of tungsten-alloy
 - **Suitable for deployment in KamLAND**
 - \approx 20 cm of tungsten-alloy towards the detector solid angle

- **Material selected**
 - **Tungsten alloy** (18.5 g/cm³ for machining)
 - **4 companies identified (Plansee, Polema, Starck, Xiamen)**
 - Price quotation available
 - Manufacturing time: few months
 - **Radiopurity measurement campaign ongoing**

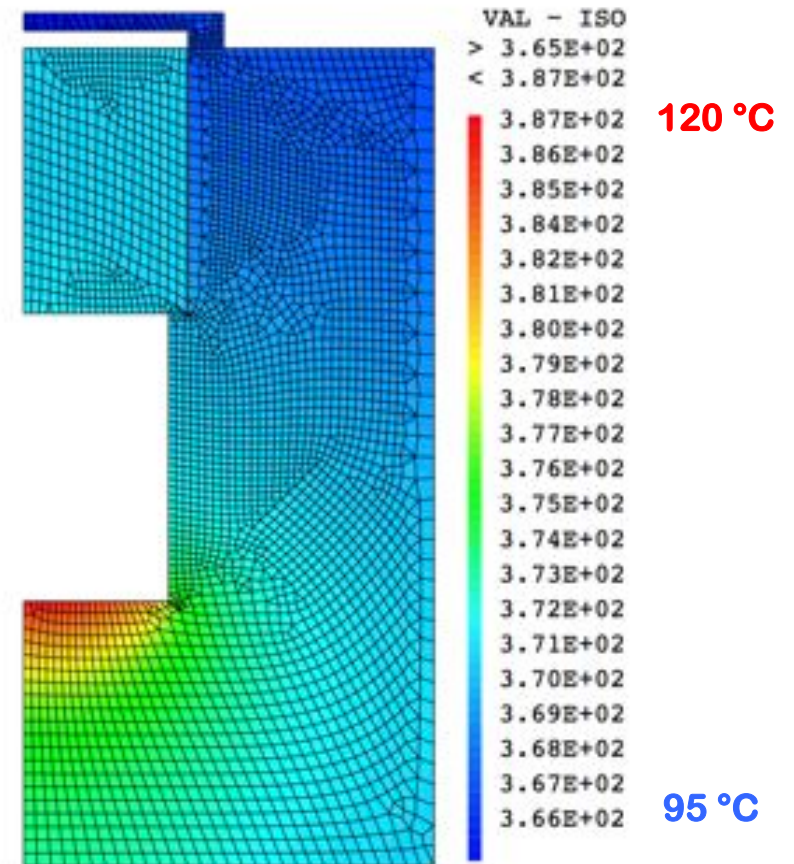


W-Shielding (Irfu / X / DEN / SPR)

**Mechanical design
(for handling in hot cell)**



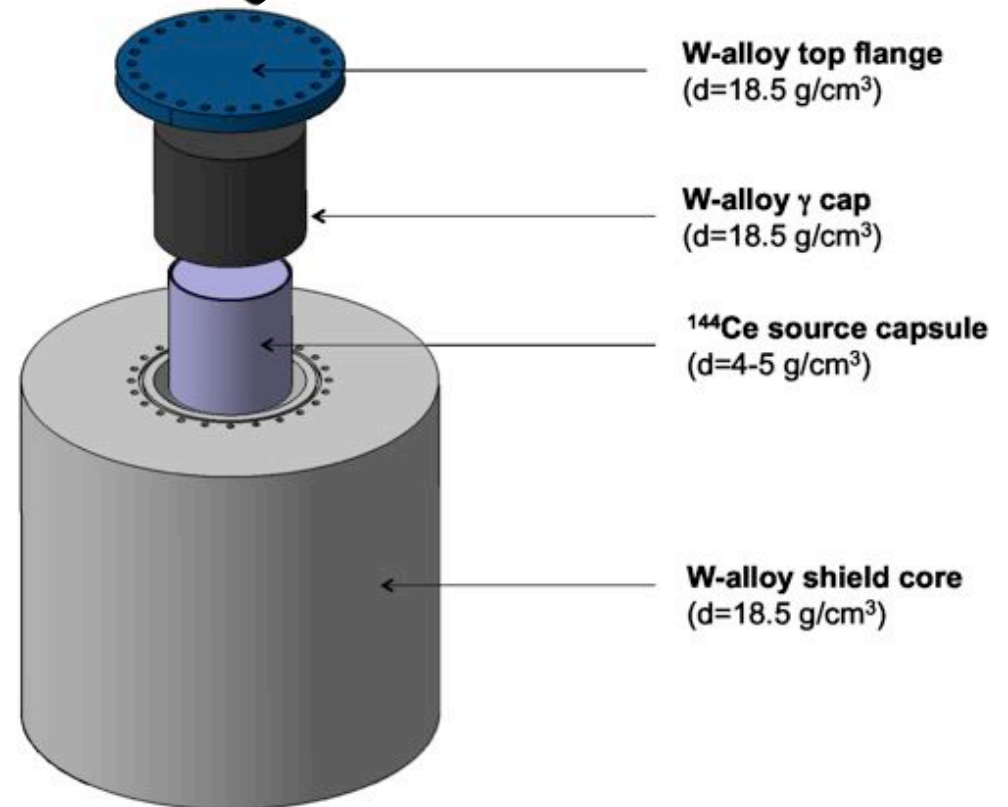
Thermal study



**CEA-SPR (MCNP) & GEANT4 - 16 cm W
Radiation dose @1m: 50 μ Sv/h**

$$T_{\text{shield ext}} = T_{\text{ext}} (38^{\circ}\text{C}) + 60^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Source insertion into W-shield



**To handle inside hot cell at Mayak
Need prevent risk of contamination**

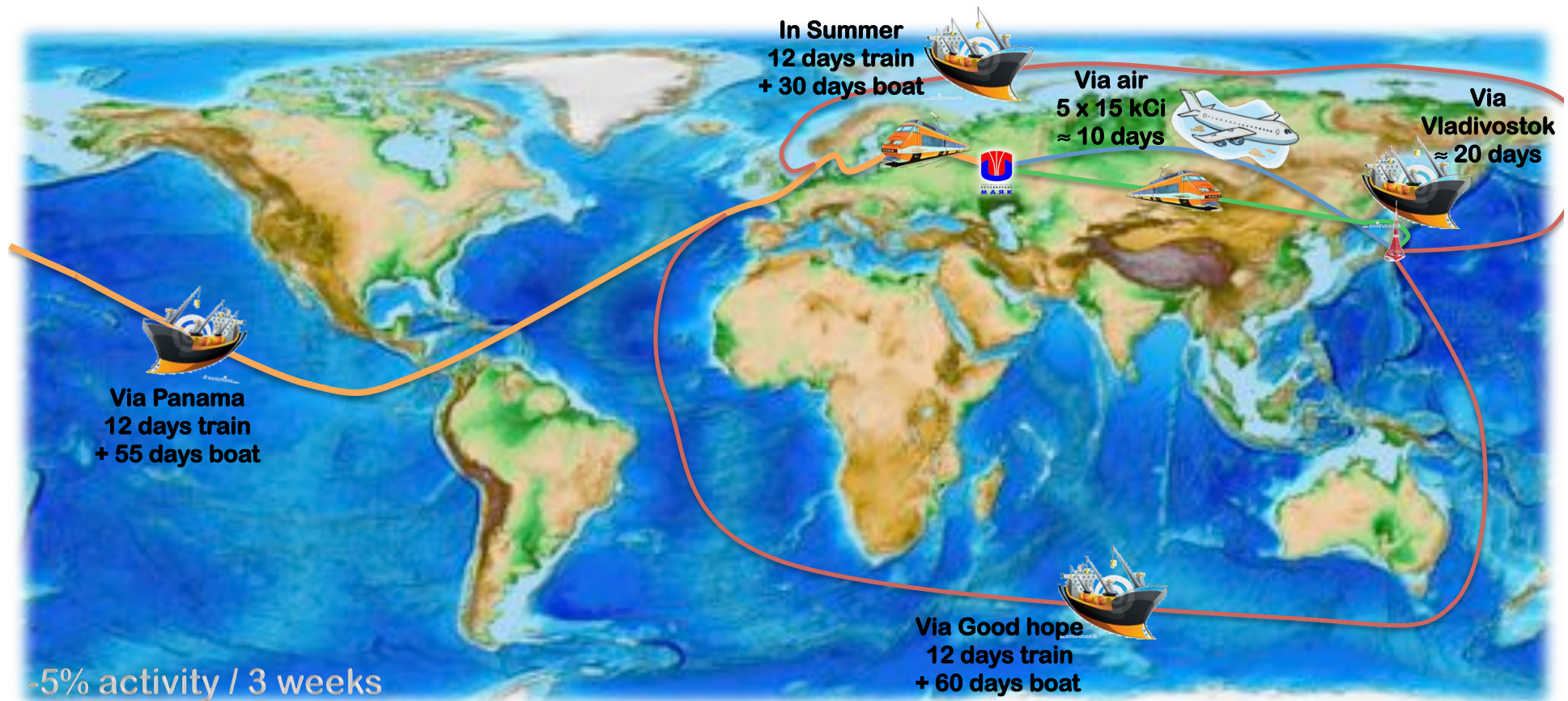


^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr Antineutrino generator transportation

Transport Routes (Irfu / Areva / DOE)



IAEA Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material
Pre-study conducted together with Areva & DOE/Oakridge



Option 1) 1 x 75 kCi – train to Russian East coast – days boat – 3 weeks

Option 2) 5 x 15 kCi – plane to Japan – 10 days

Option 3) 1 x 75 kCi – train to St Petersburg – Boat via Panama – 10 weeks



Transport Route to KamLAND

From Japanese harbor to Atotsu mine by truck

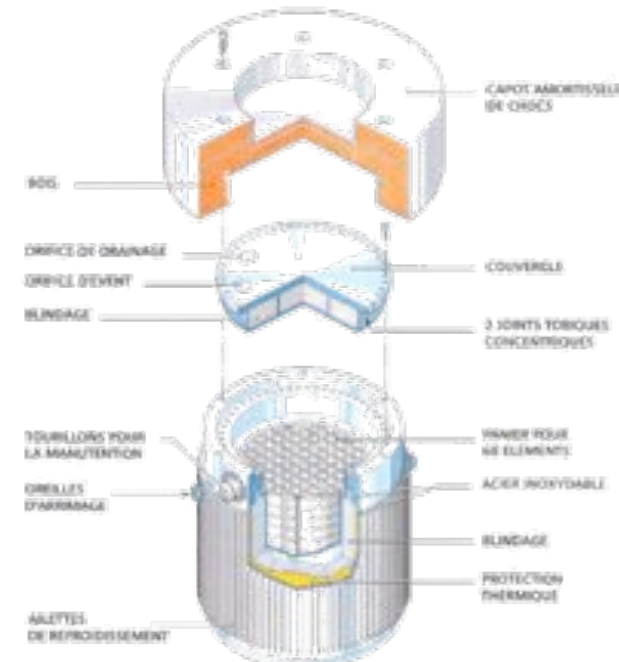
Notify Prefectural Public Safety Commission



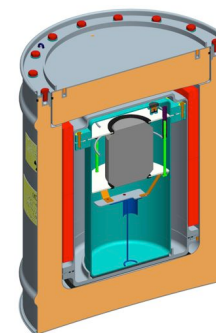
Transport Container



- Type: **B(U)**
 - Train/Boat/Truck: 1 x 75 kCi
 - Plane : 5 x 15 kCi
- Need **certification** in
 - Japan
 - Russia (Europe)
- Need to design/certify the basket holding the source
- To be handled in Atsotu mine
- Contacts:
 - CEA/DEN
 - Areva / TNI
 - Atox (Japan)
 - DOE (Oakridge)
- **No suitable solution yet**



TN – TM – MTR – 23 t (EU / US)



MD-2 – 1 t (US)

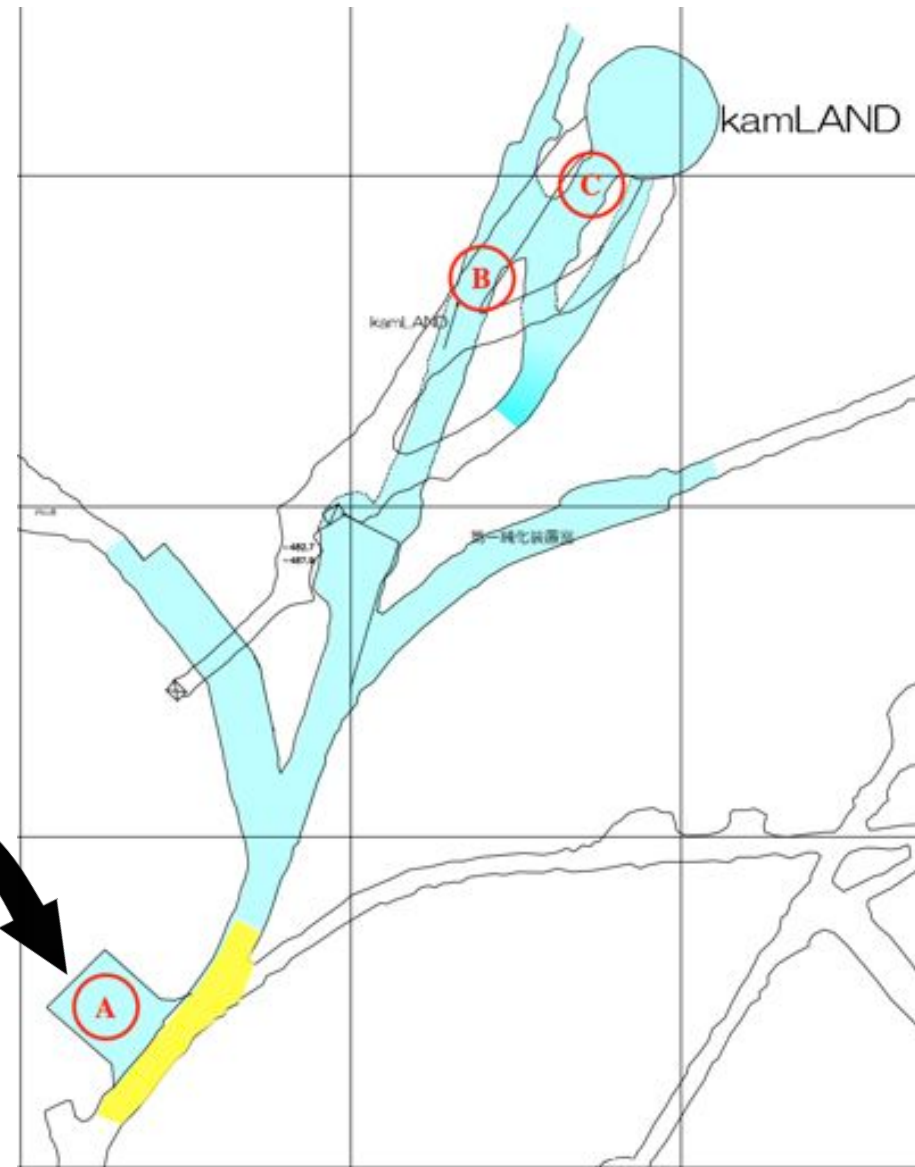


JMS – 18 t (JP / Europe / US)

Unloading & handling in KamLAND



- Unloading area found (A)
- Definition of a temporary radiation controlled area
- Handling: Nippon Express
- Measurement of Activity





Neutrino Activity Measurement



^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr Source Calorimetry



- **Source Heat Release**

- 96% from β -decays - 75 kCi \rightarrow 600 W released

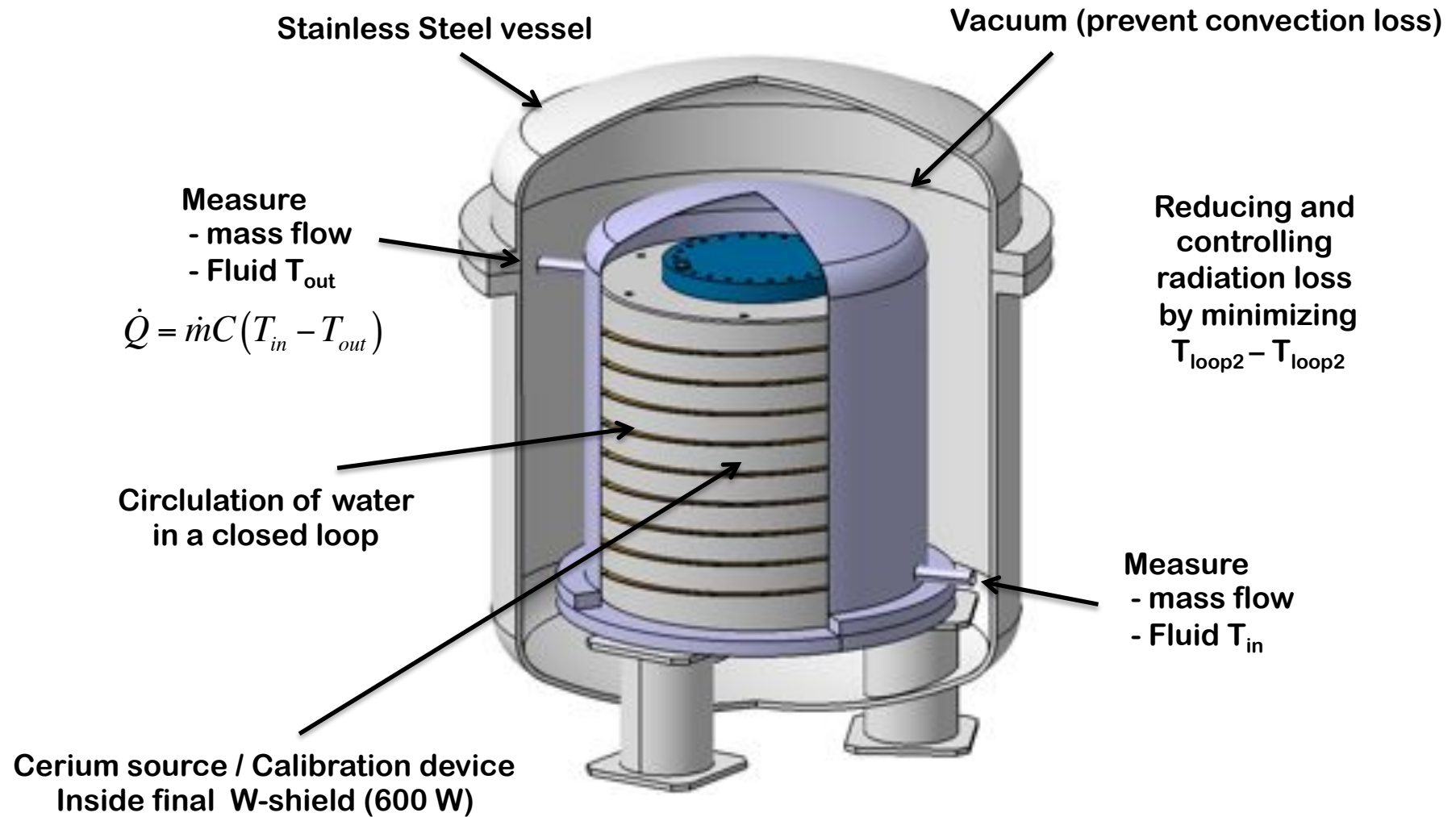
- **Specification**

- Few days measurement
- Precision $<1.5\%$ (Achieved for Gallex & Sage)
- Realization of a calorimeter (Irfu / DEN / APC? / SOX ERC?)

- **Concept**

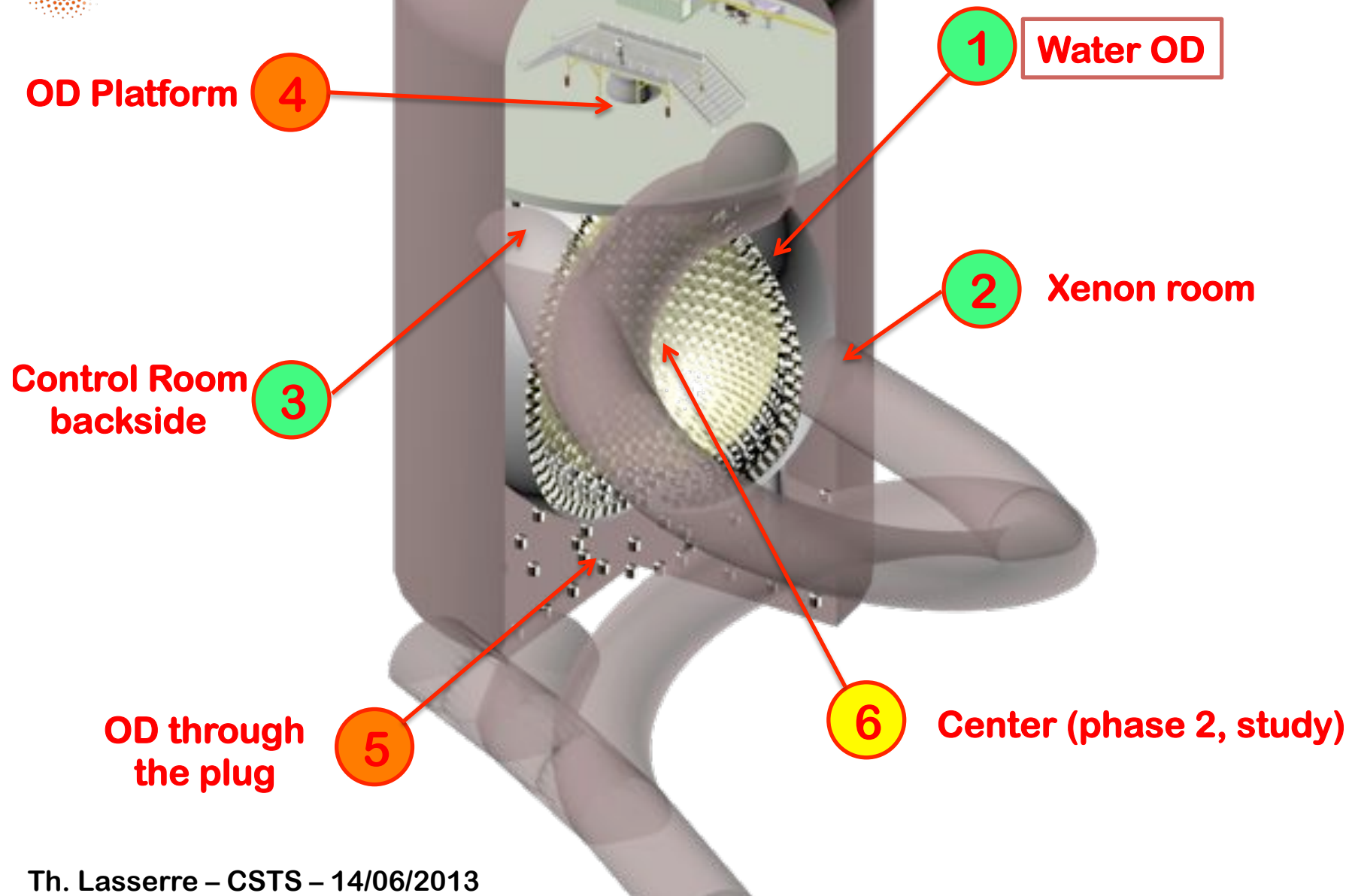
- Calibration phase in Saclay (2014)
 - With final W-shielding, fake-source (known elec. Power)
- Measurement in the Atsotu mine
 - Before (600 W) and after the deployment (100 W)

Calorimeter (Irfu / DEN / X)



Deployment

Following KamLAND
visit (March 2013)





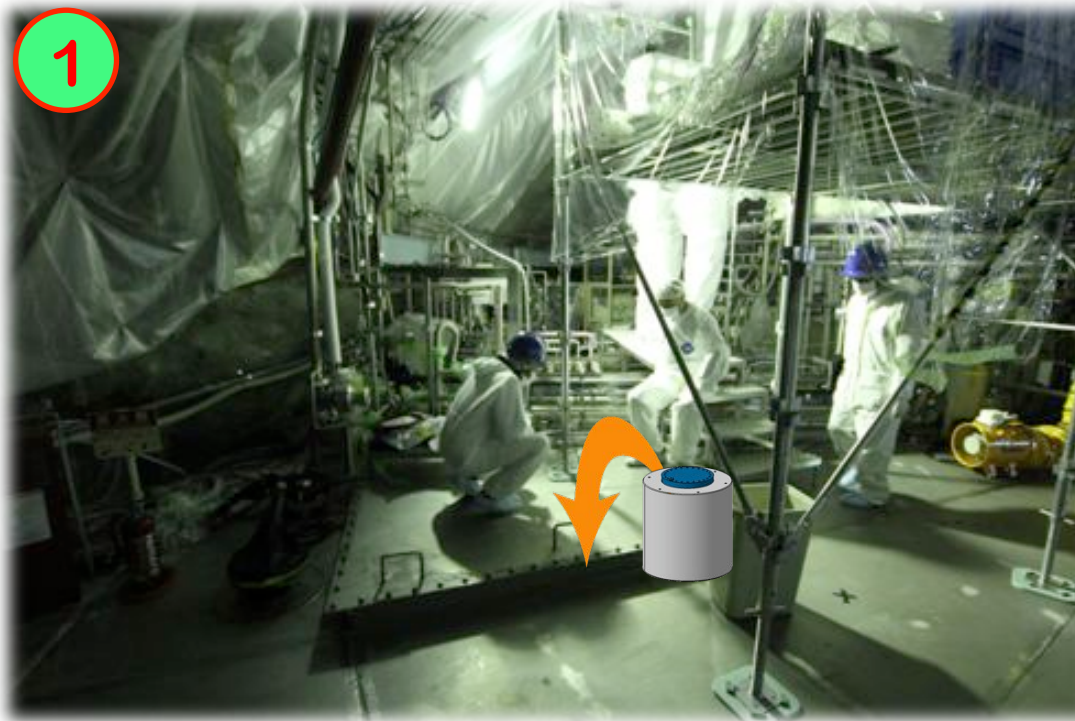
Deployment in KamLAND Phase 1

Deployment - phase 1

- **1) Deployment in OD through the platform man-hole (9.3 m)**
 - Hanged from a new supporting crane using existing anchors
 - Engineering by Mitsui Company ongoing (KamLAND Tank builder)
- **2) Deployment in Xenon storage room (12.0 m)**

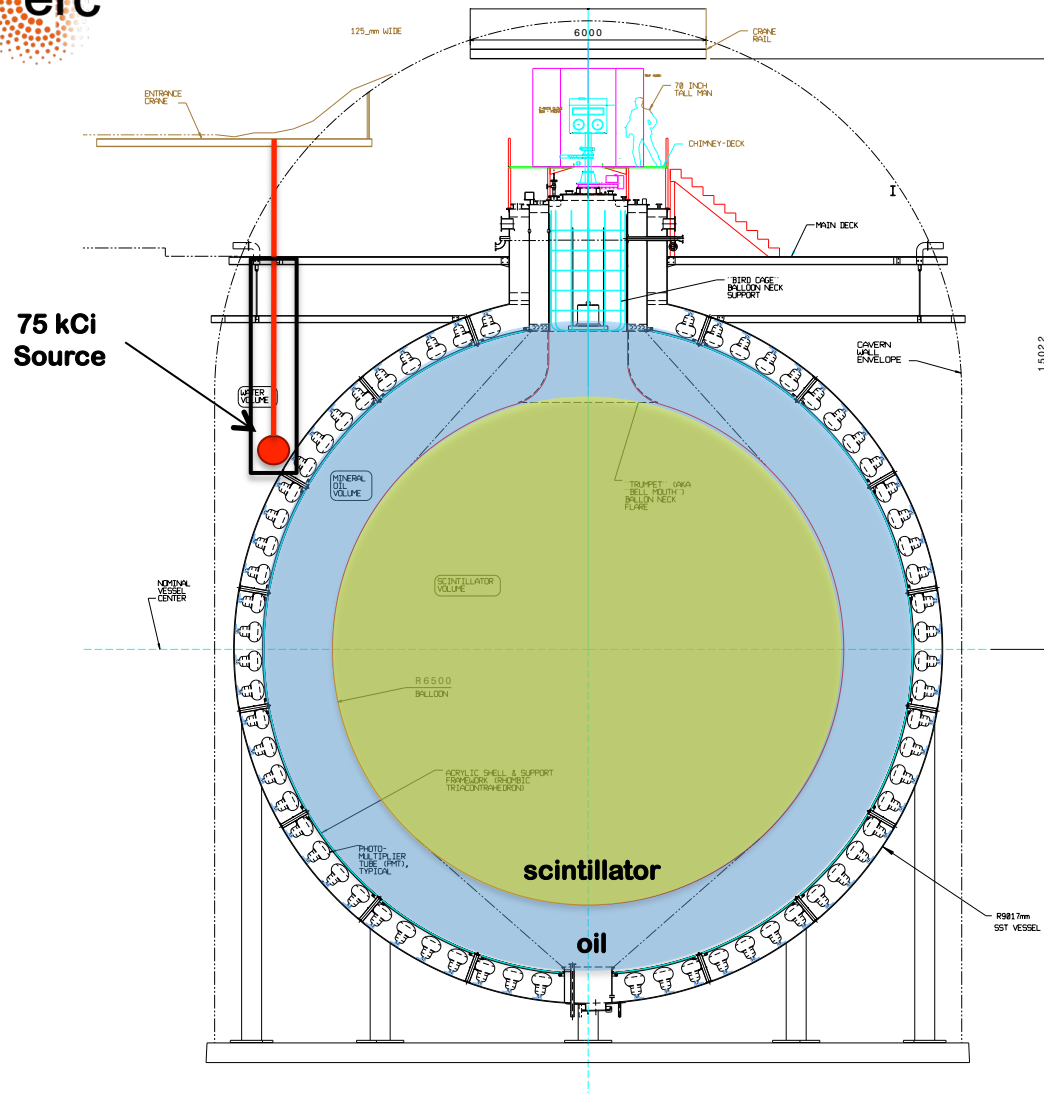
20 000 events in 1.5 y

14 000 events in 1.5 y



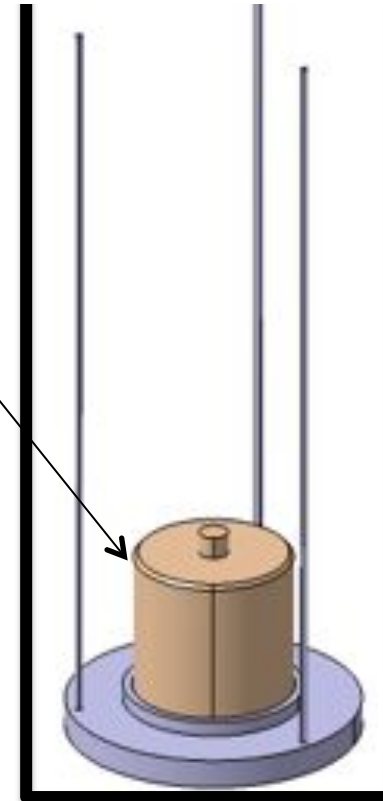
In both cases, run in parallel with KamLAND-Zen ($\beta\beta 0\nu$)

CELAND Phase 1 (goal: 2015)



Source @2.5 m away from LS
75 kCi & 6-18 months of data taking

tungsten alloy,
54 cm
d=18.5 g/cm³

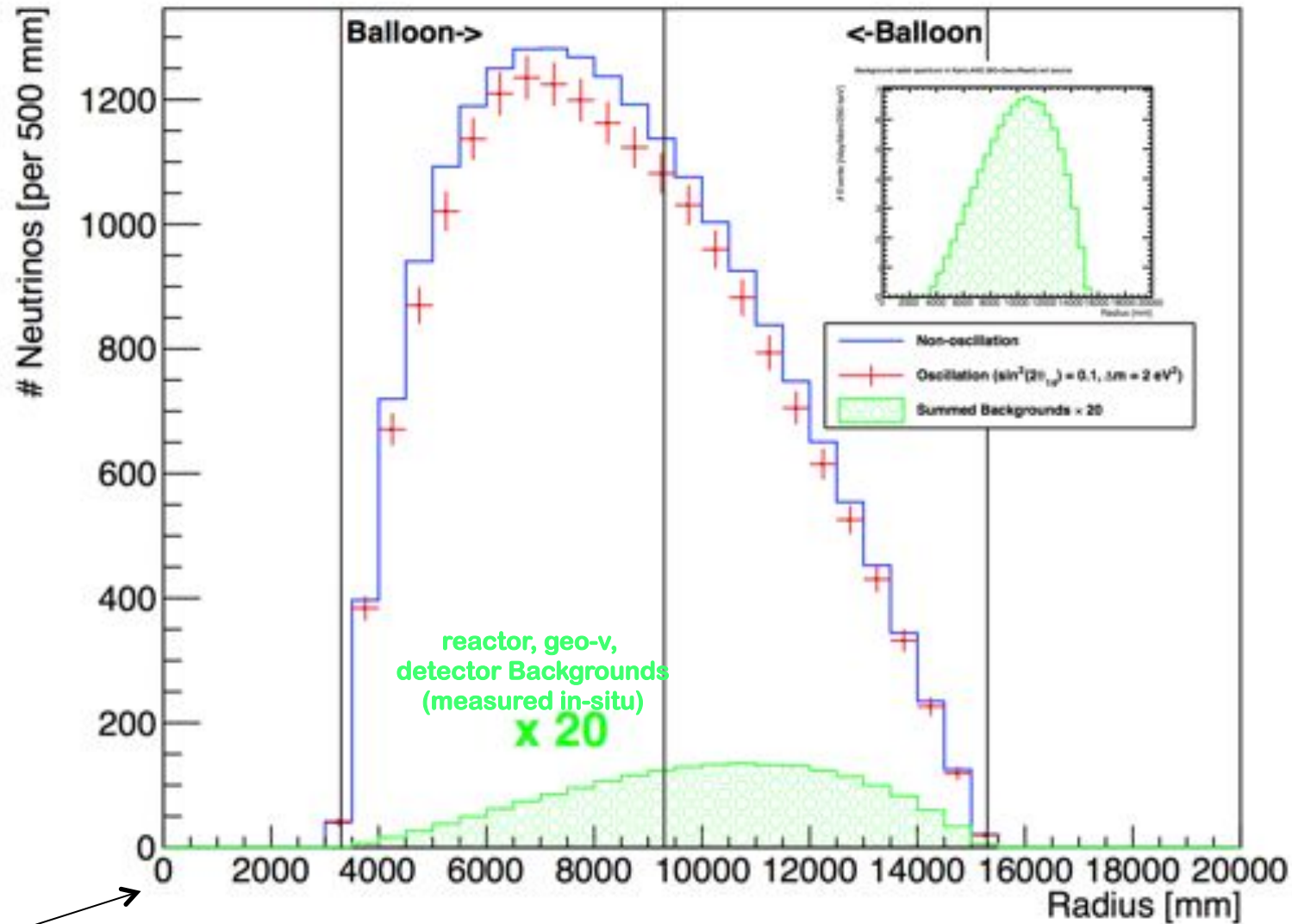


- SS basket to isolate the source from the OD Water (no contamination risk)



CeLAND phase 1: signal & background

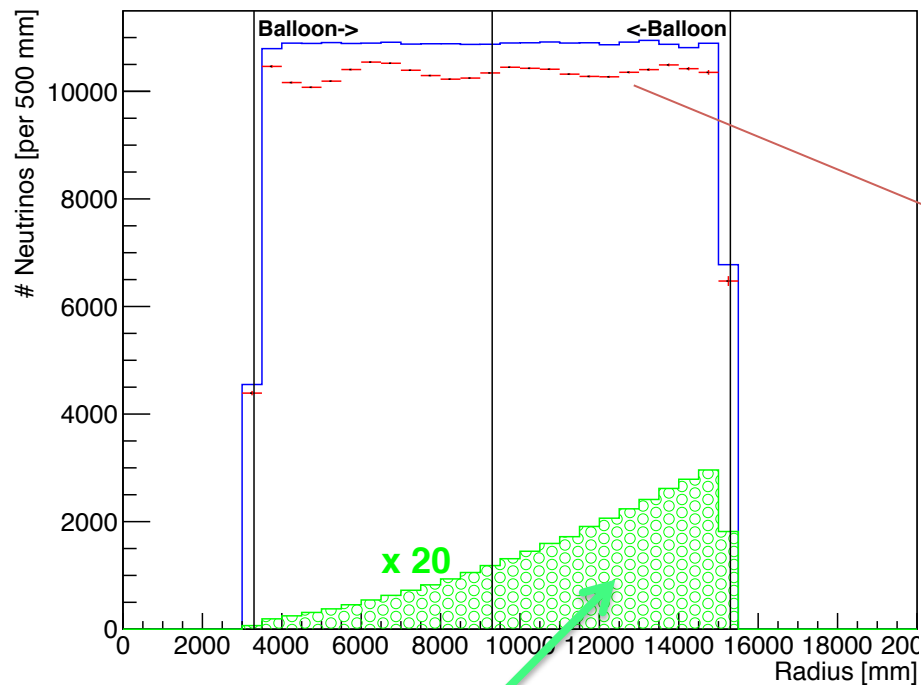
1.5 y - 20 000 interactions – full KamLAND Geant4 simulation



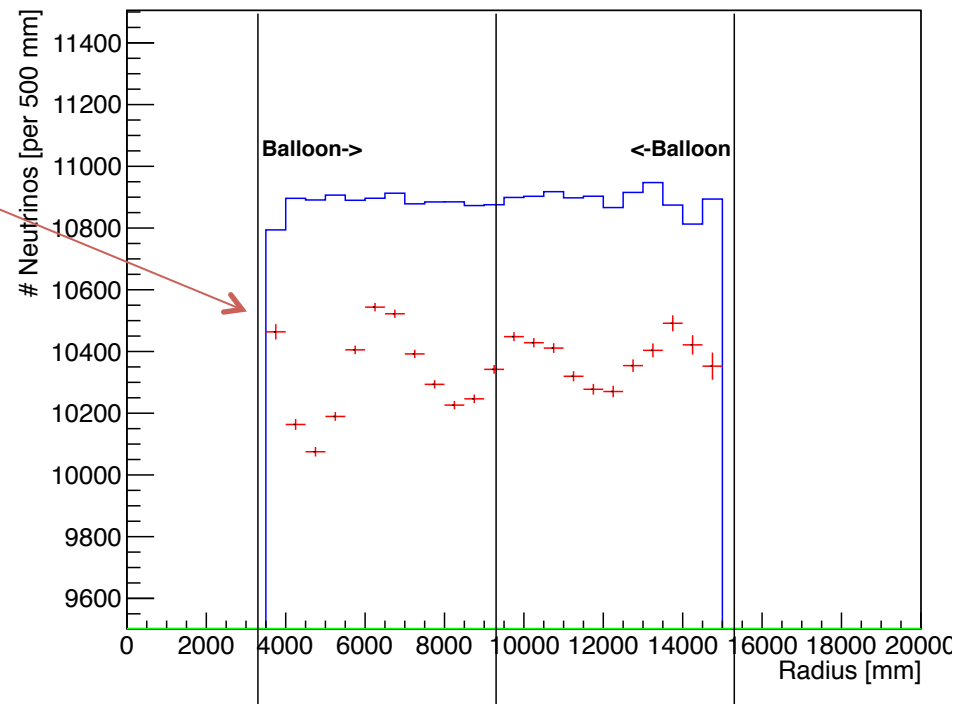
75 kCi ^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr
antineutrino generator

CeLAND phase 1: R-oscillation

- **Geant4 simulation of a source in Water Veto:**
 - 75 kCi ^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr source running for 12 months in KamLAND
 - **No-oscillation: 20 000 evts**
 - **Oscillation $\Delta m^2=2 \text{ eV}^2$ & $\sin^2(2\theta_{\text{new}})=0.1$**



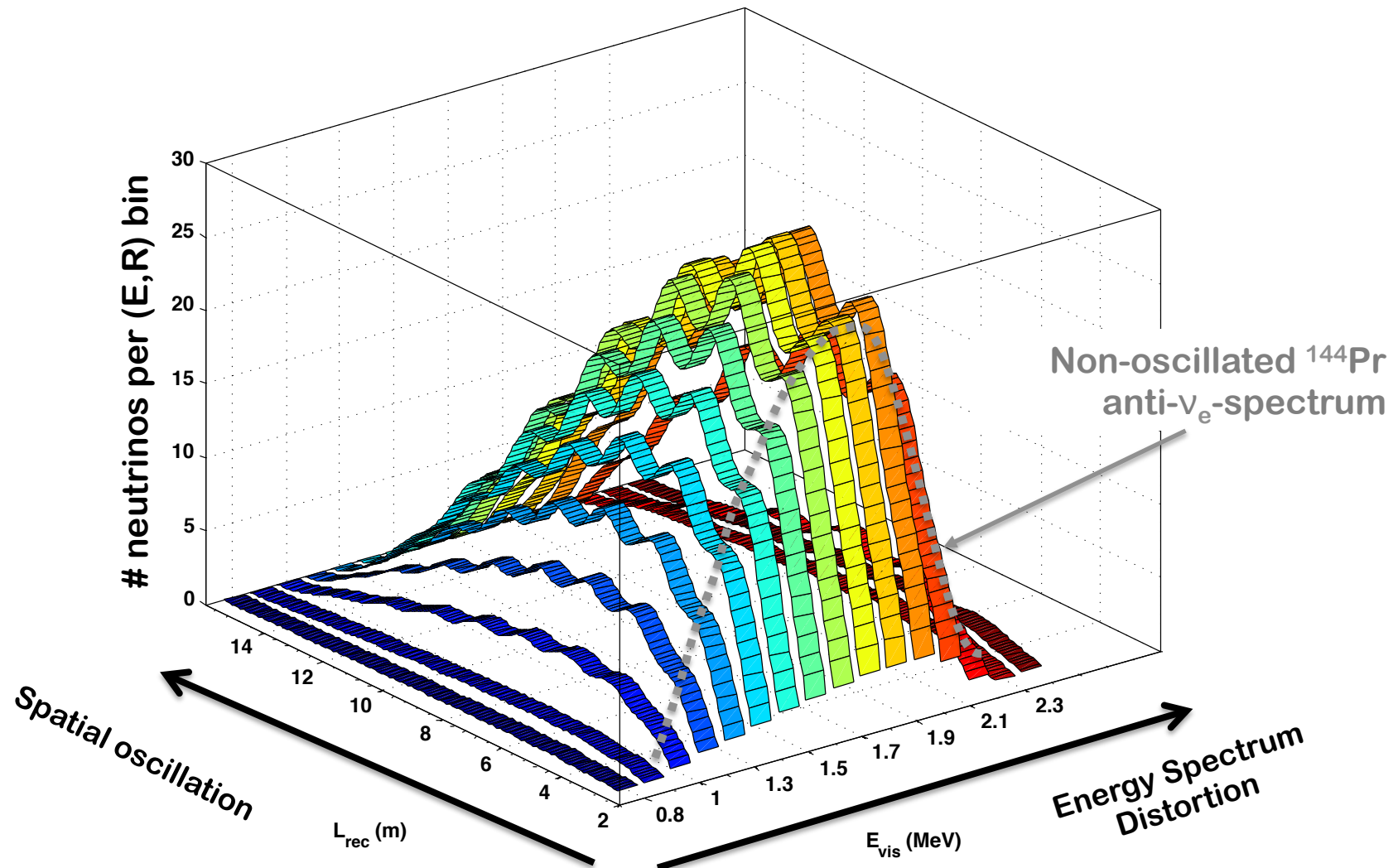
KamLAND detector backgrounds



CeLAND phase 1 : R & L signals

$$\frac{d^2 N(R, E_\nu)}{dR dE_\nu} = \mathcal{A}_0 \cdot n \cdot \sigma(E_\nu) \cdot \mathcal{S}(E_\nu) \cdot \mathcal{P}(R, E_\nu) \int_0^{t_e} e^{-t/\tau} dt,$$

2-D reconstructed spectrum for $U_{e4} = 0.25$ and $\Delta m_{41}^c = 3.0 \text{ eV}^c$

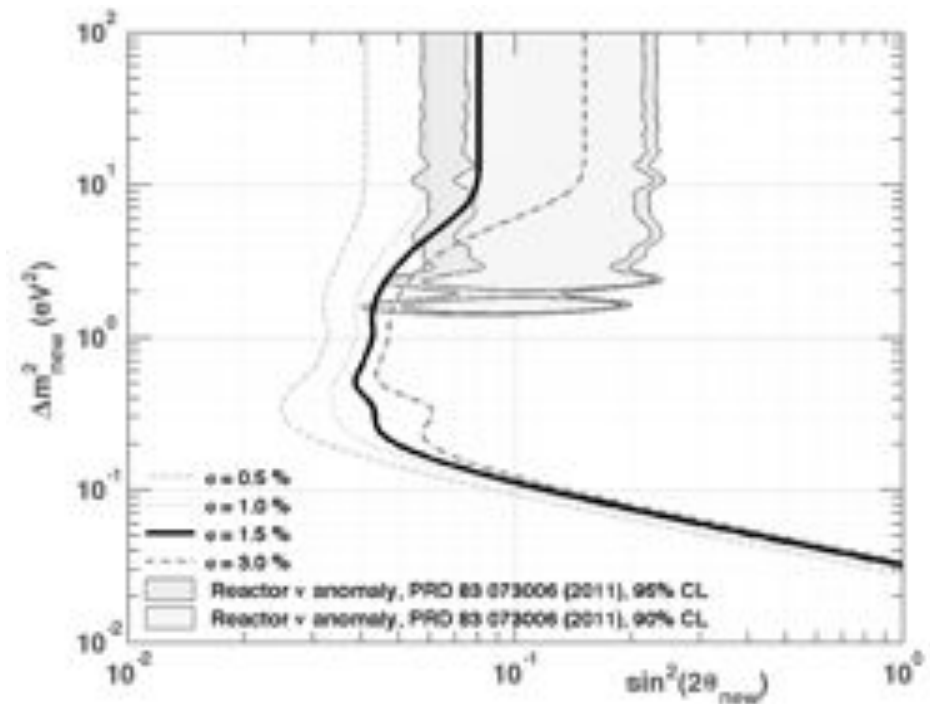
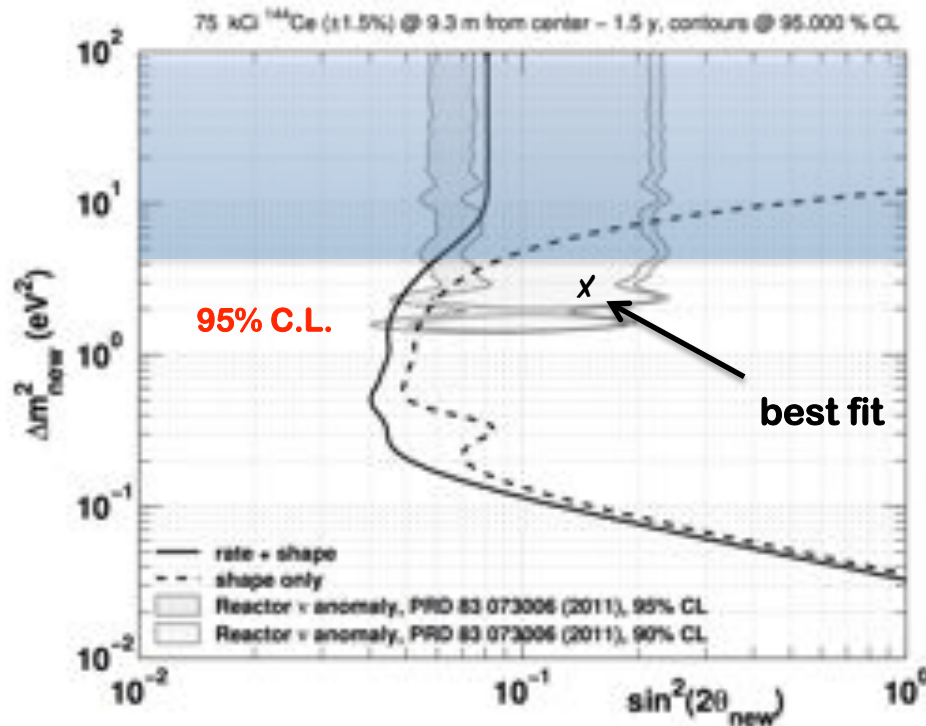


CeLAND phase 1 : sensitivity

75 kCi ^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr – 9.3 m from detector center

1.5 year of data

Impact of Activity calibration



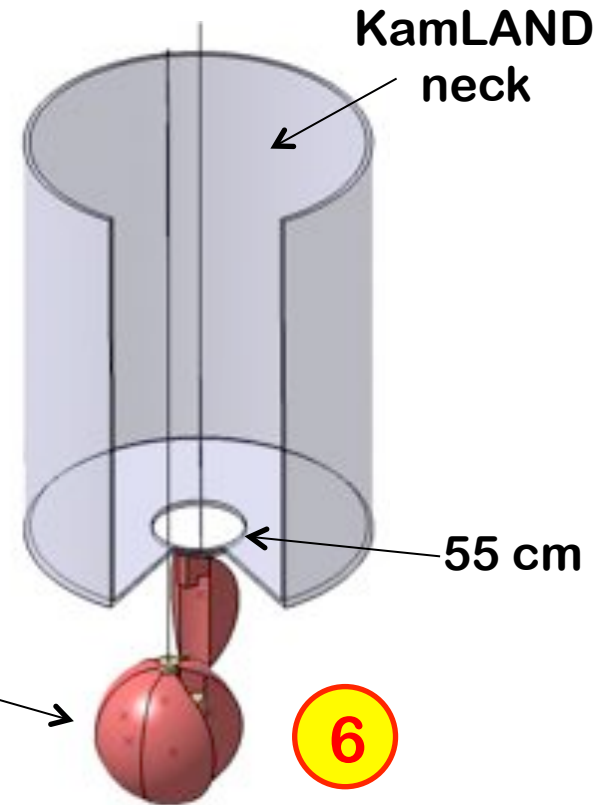
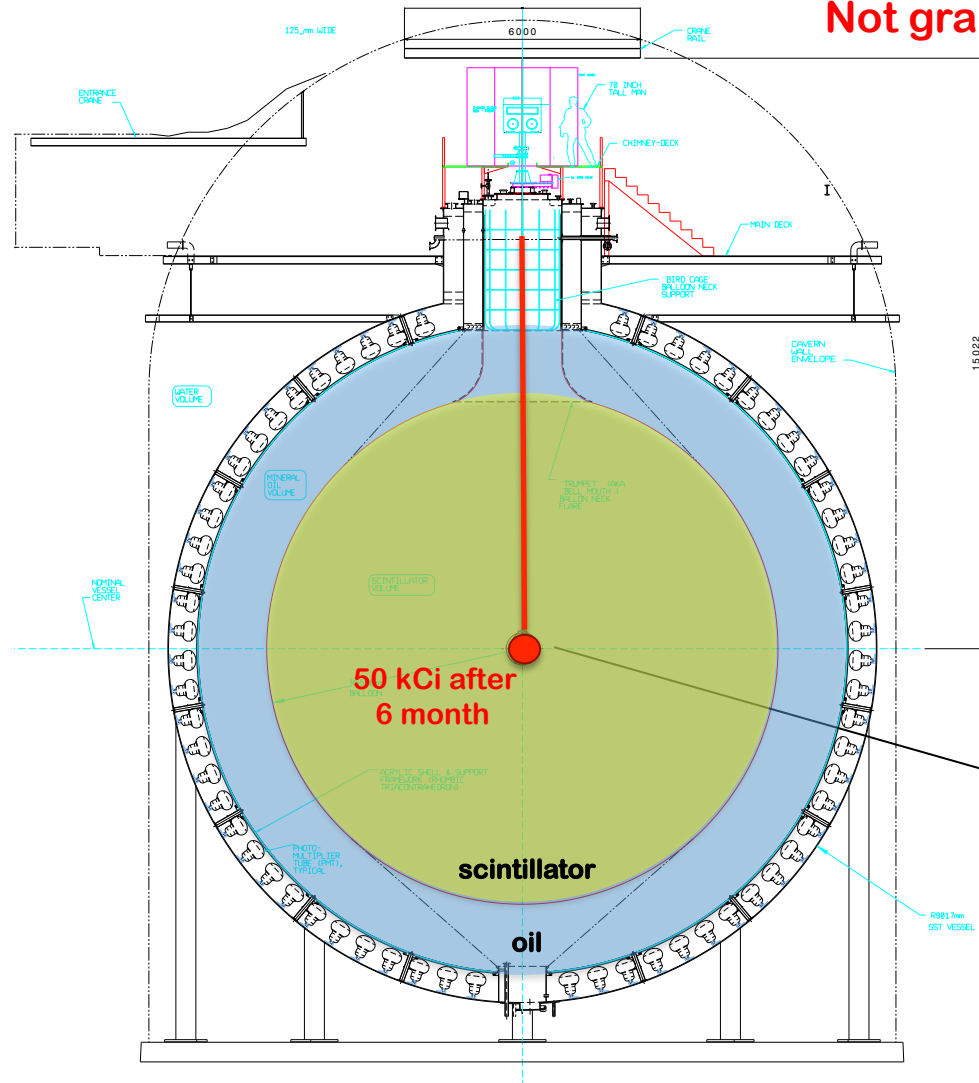


Deployment in KamLAND Phase 2

CELAND Phase 2: 2016 (under study)

If hint of oscillation: relocate the 75 kCi source after 6 months

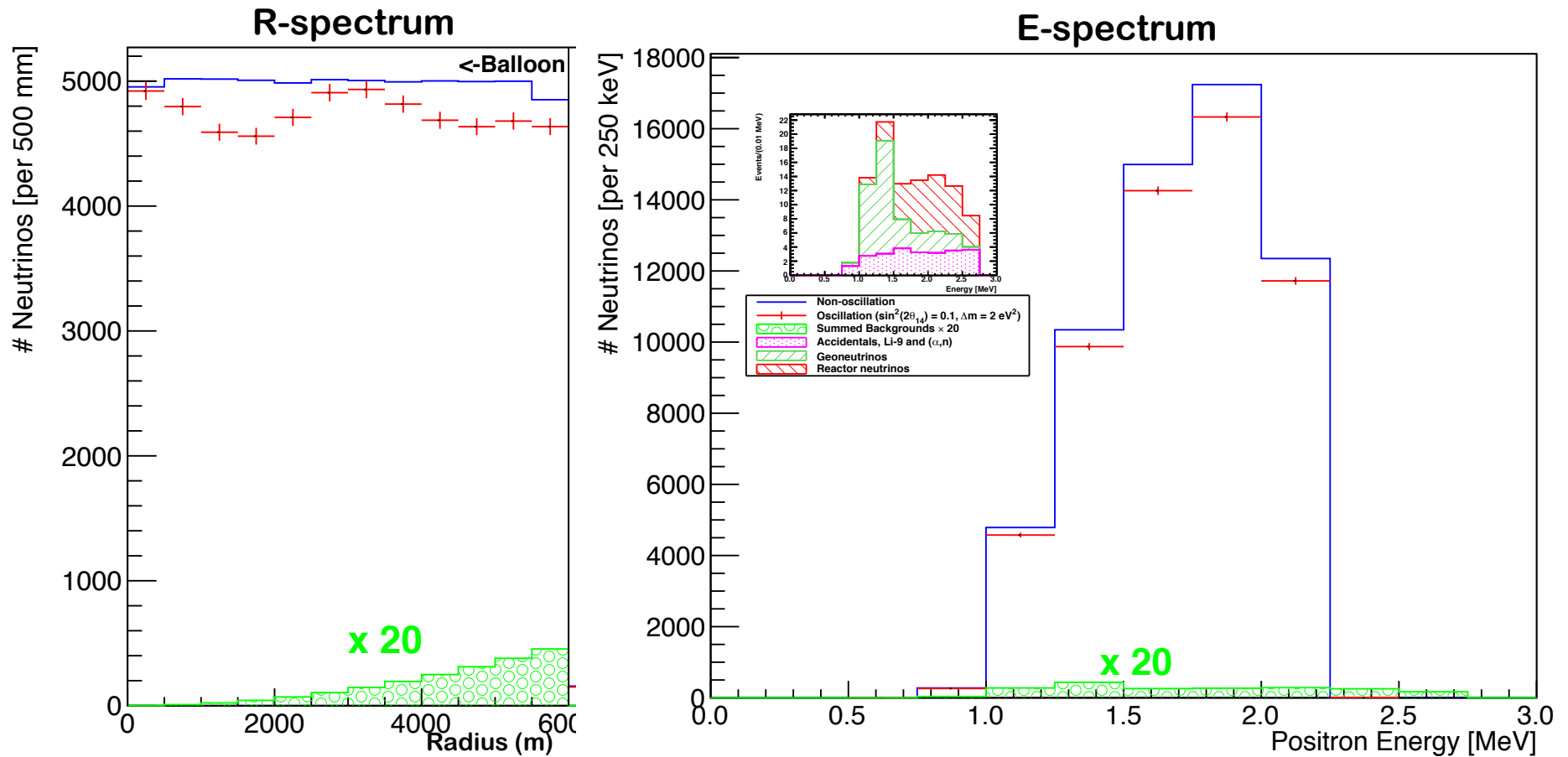
Not granted! Technically challenging



40 cm W-alloy, $d=18.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$
 γ -attenuation (2 MeV) : 10^{-13}

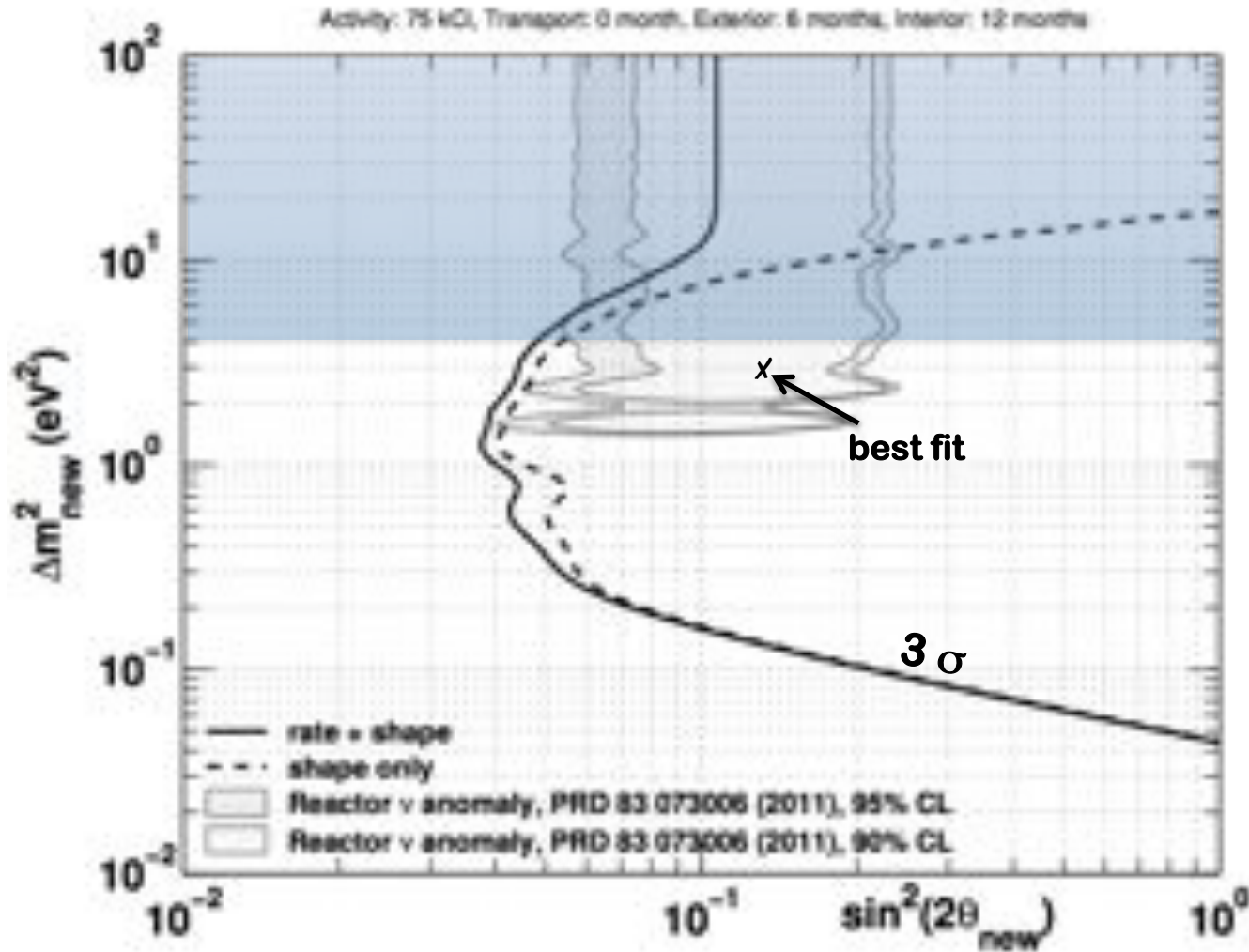
CeLAND Phase 2 Signal

Need enlarged W-shield → technical challenge
 Severe radiopurity constraint → material selection ongoing

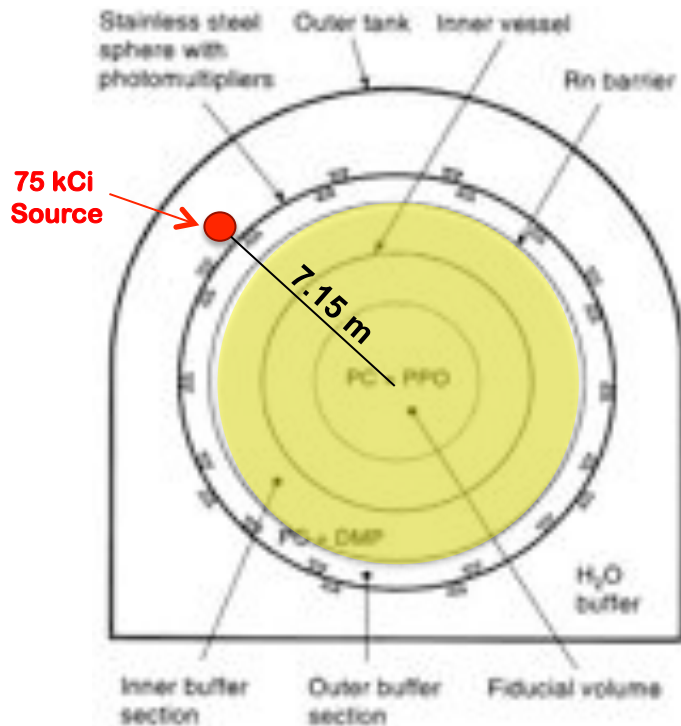


CeLAND Phase 1 + Phase 2

75 kCi 6 months + 50 kCi 1 year (10+50 kevt)

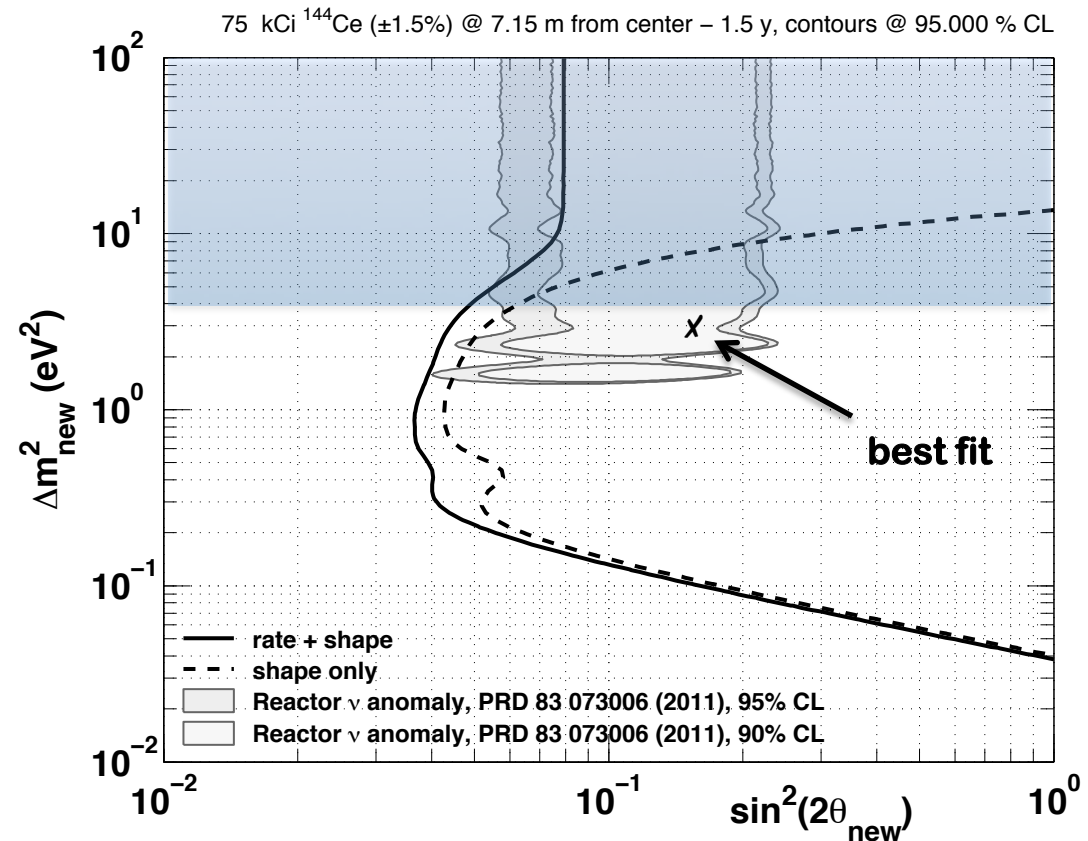


- Borexino priority: deployment of 10 MCi ^{51}Cr
- **Study of ^{144}Ce deployment in Borexino**
- Necessitate enlarging fiducial volume from 300 t to 600 t



$$R_{\max} = 5.5 \text{ m}$$

$$N_{\text{evt}} = 21800 / 1.5 \text{ y}$$





Conclusion



▪ **Cerium Antineutrino Generator**

- 75 kCi ^{144}Ce - ^{144}Pr production in 2014: **OK** – Negotiation ongoing
- Delivery of 75 kCi ^{144}Ce in Jan. 2015
- **Shielding:** Design for phase 1 – cost/schedule: **OK**
- **Logistic:** No solution secured for transportation
- **Activity Calibration:** Calorimeter design ongoing
- **Host Detector Deployment:** KamLAND: **OK**
- **CeLAND Collaboration**
 - CEA: DSM-Irfu / DEN / SPR / LNHB / DRI
 - KamLAND Japanese Collaboration, Irfu (ERC), Hawaii U. (DOE funding), LBNL/UCB, Russia (Mephi), IN2P3-APC?
- **Goal: Start Data Taking Middle 2015**