

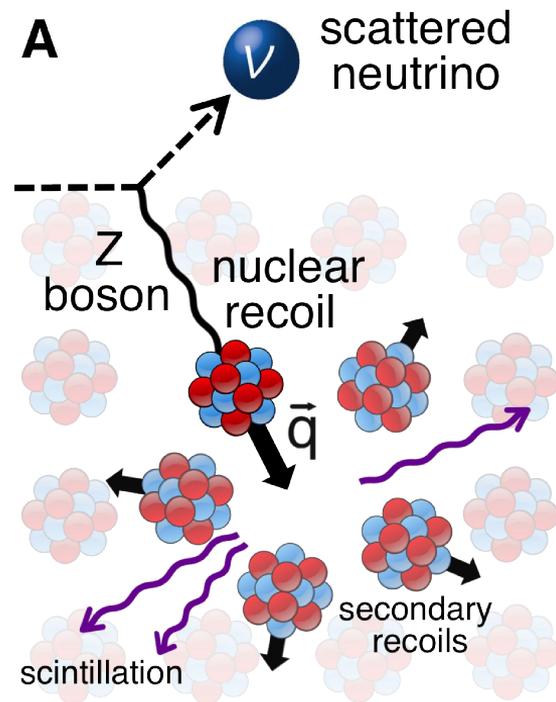
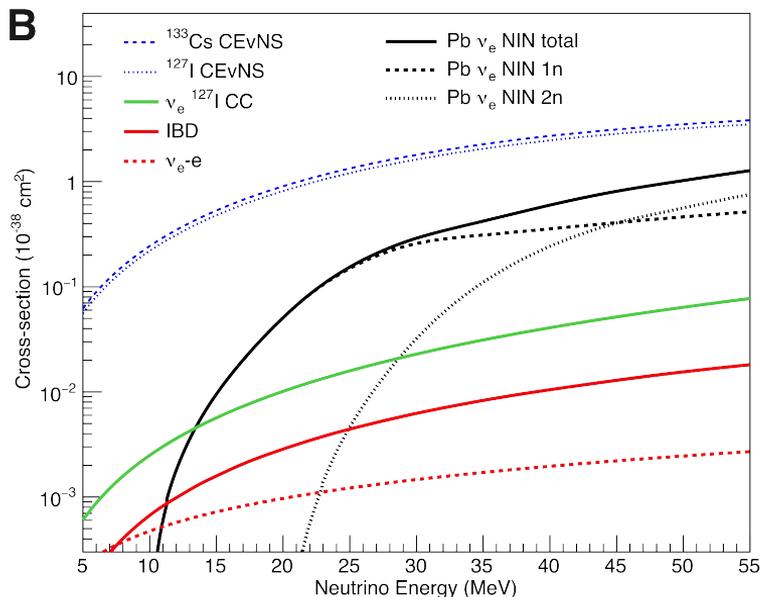
# CE<sub>v</sub>NS Detection at the SNS

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# Coherent elastic $\nu$ - $N$ scattering

largest neutrino-matter cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} \propto N^2$$



# A grave experimental challenge

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## Coherent effects of a weak neutral current

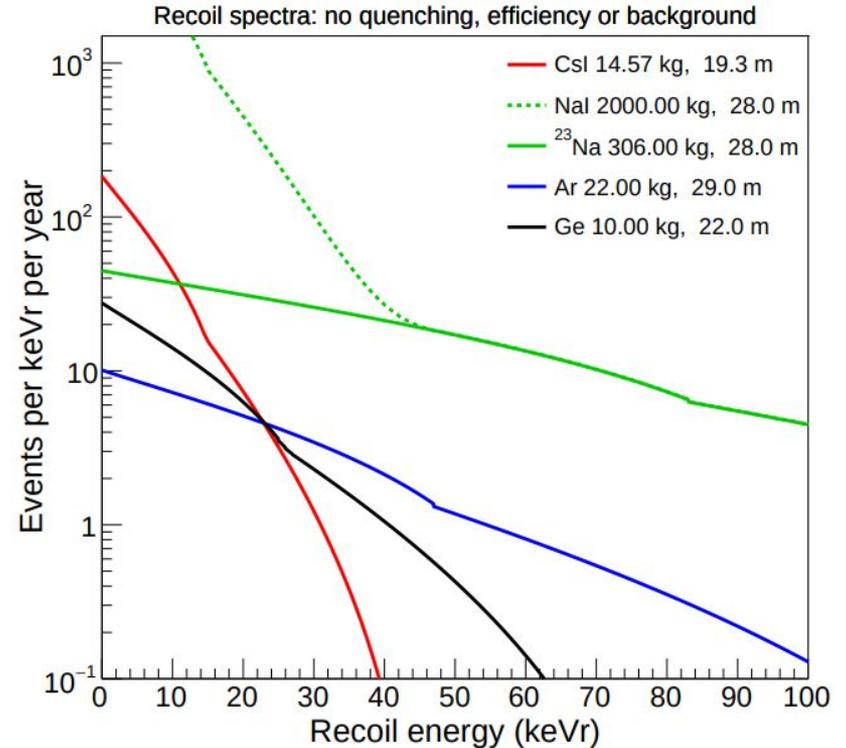
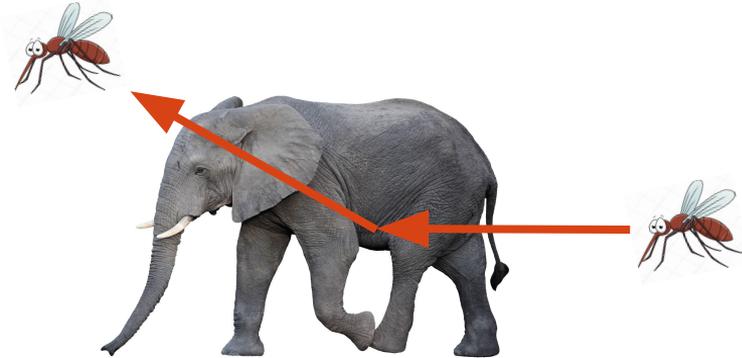
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Our suggestion may be an act of hubris, because the inevitable constraints of interaction rate, resolution, and background pose grave experimental difficulties for elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering.



# CEvNS in the SM and beyond

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT_{coh}} = \frac{G_F^2 M}{2\pi} \left[ (G_V + G_A)^2 + (G_V - G_A)^2 \left(1 - \frac{T}{E_\nu}\right)^2 - (G_V^2 - G_A^2) \frac{MT}{E_\nu} \right]$$

$$G_V = (g_V^p Z + g_V^n N) F_{nucl}^V(Q^2) \quad \leftarrow F \sim 1 \text{ for low } E_\nu, \sim 3\% \text{ uncty. at } E_\nu \sim 50 \text{ MeV}$$

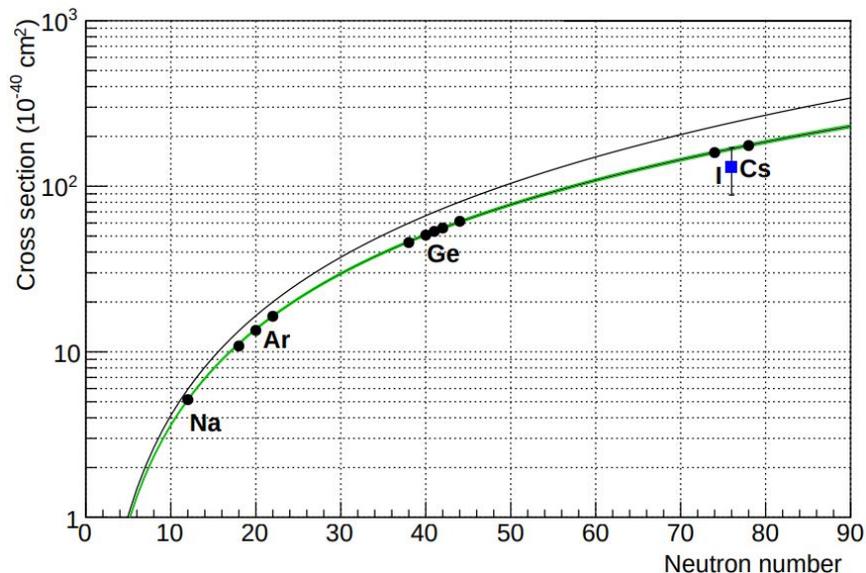
$$G_A = (g_A^p (Z_+ - Z_-) + g_A^n (N_+ - N_-)) F_{nucl}^A(Q^2),$$

$1/A$  suppressed

CEvNS probes non-standard interactions (NSI)

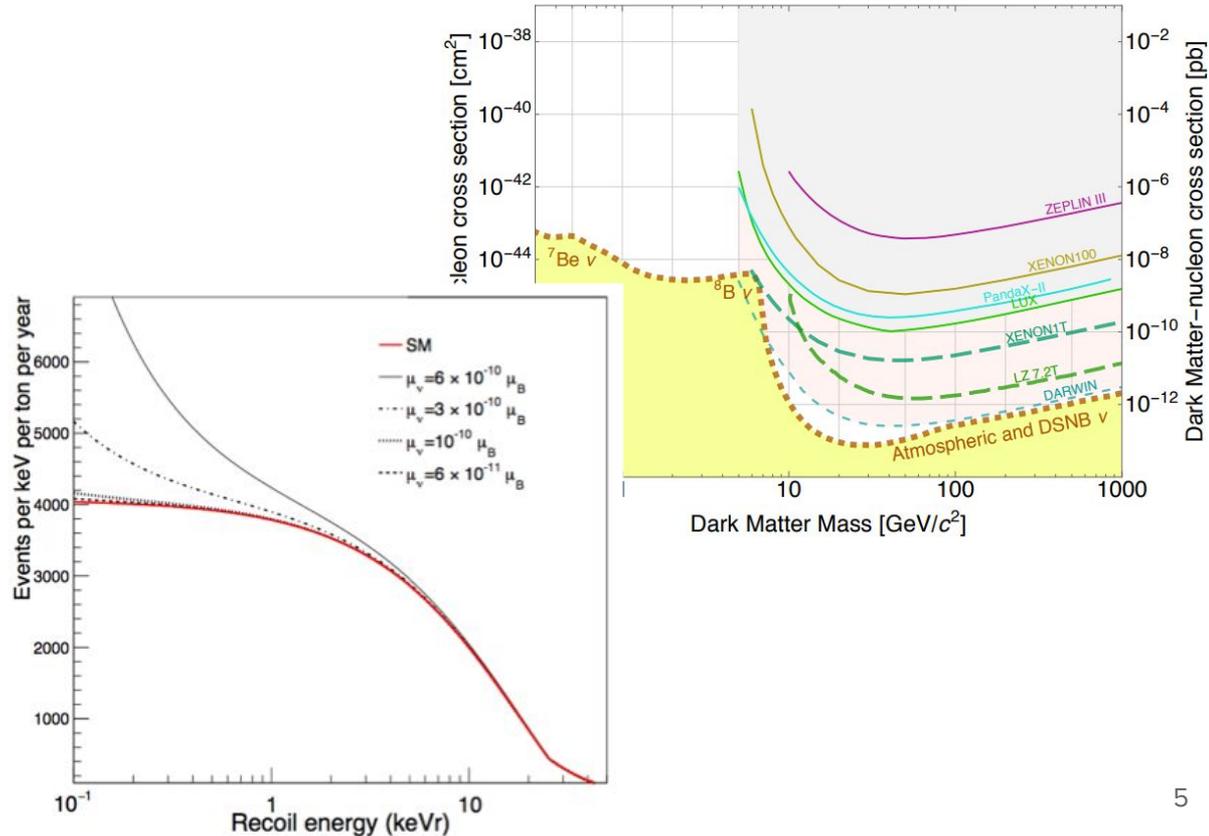
$$g_V^p \rightarrow g_V^p + \left( 2\epsilon_{ee}^{uV} + \epsilon_{ee}^{dV} \right)$$

$$g_V^n \rightarrow g_V^n + \left( \epsilon_{ee}^{uV} + 2\epsilon_{ee}^{dV} \right)$$



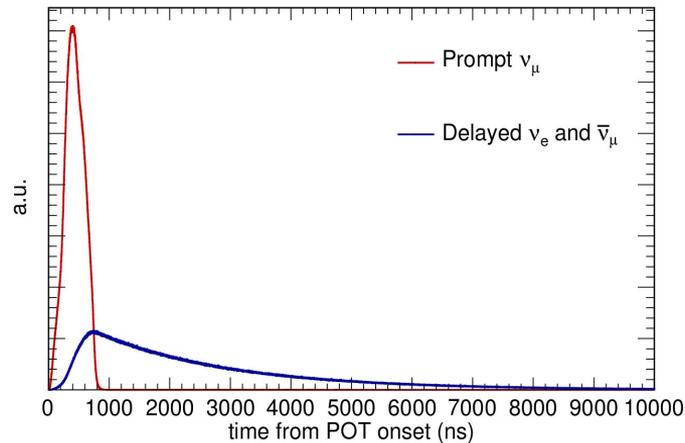
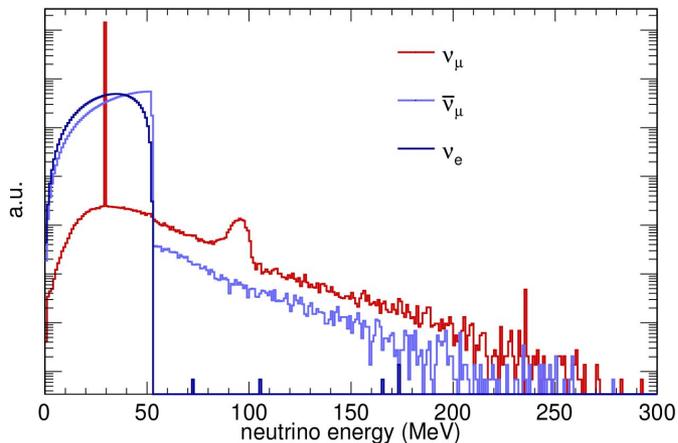
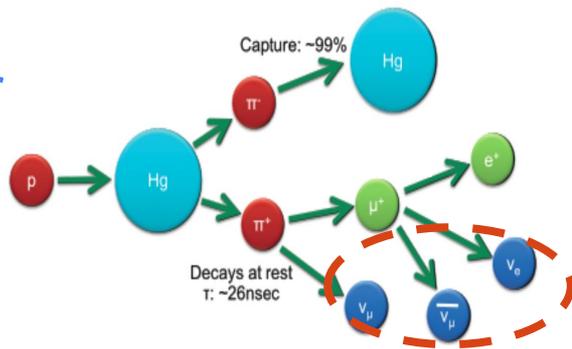
# stars, dark matter, nuclear physics...

- Irreducible **WIMP** background
- Critical for heat transport in **supernovae**
- Independent  $\sin^2\theta_w$  measurement
- Form factors sensitive to **neutron skin**
- Future means of **reactor monitoring**
- Probe **BSM physics from  $\nu$  mag. moment**

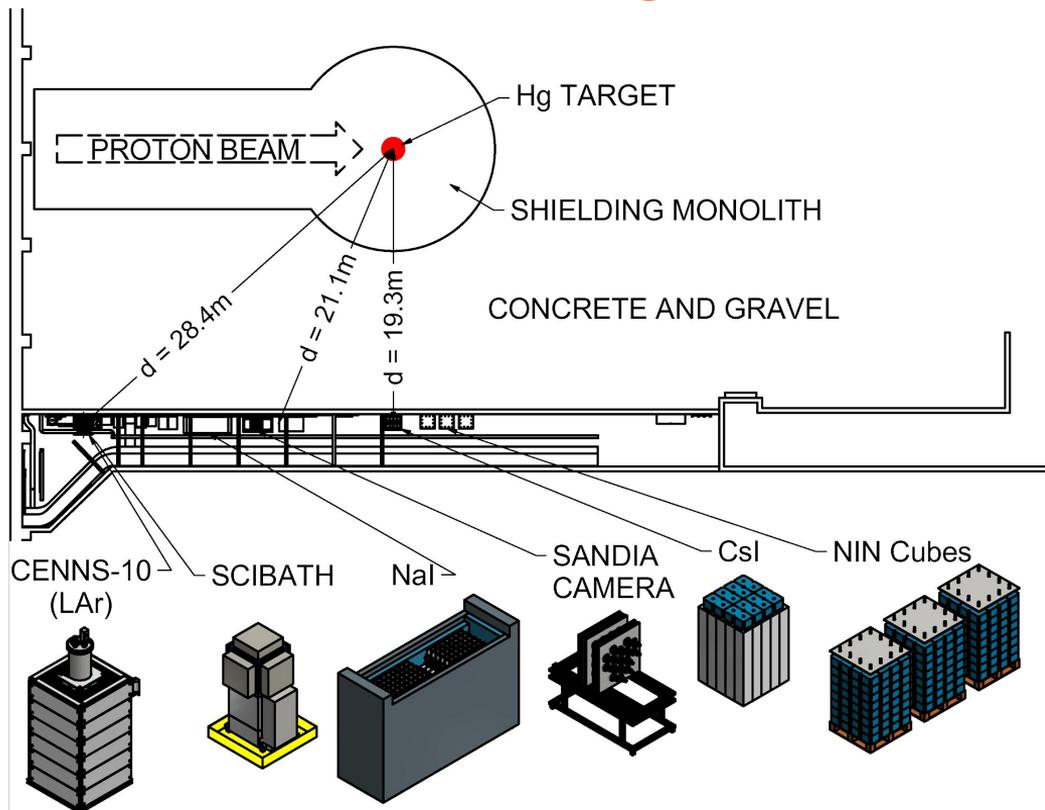


# The Spallation neutron neutrino source

- $\sim 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  per flavor
- 1 MW @  $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$
- pulsed @ 60 Hz for  $\sim 10^4$  bkgd rejection



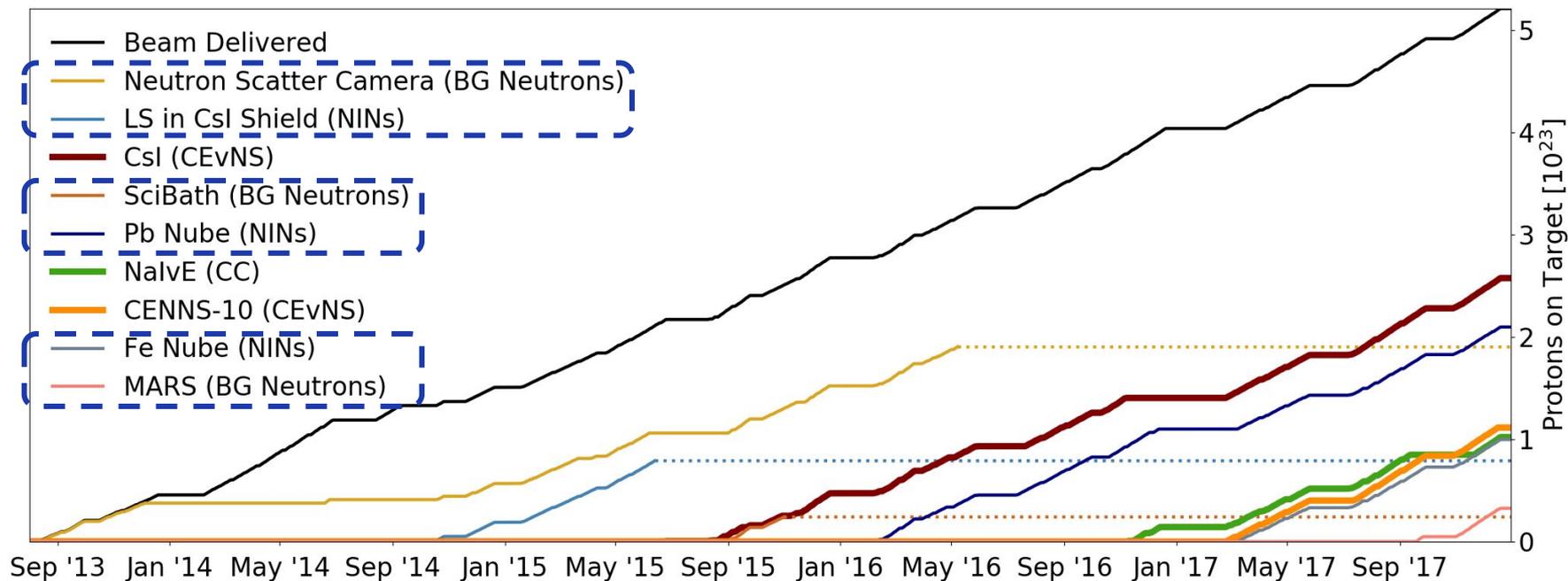
# “Neutrino Alley”



8 m.w.e. overburden

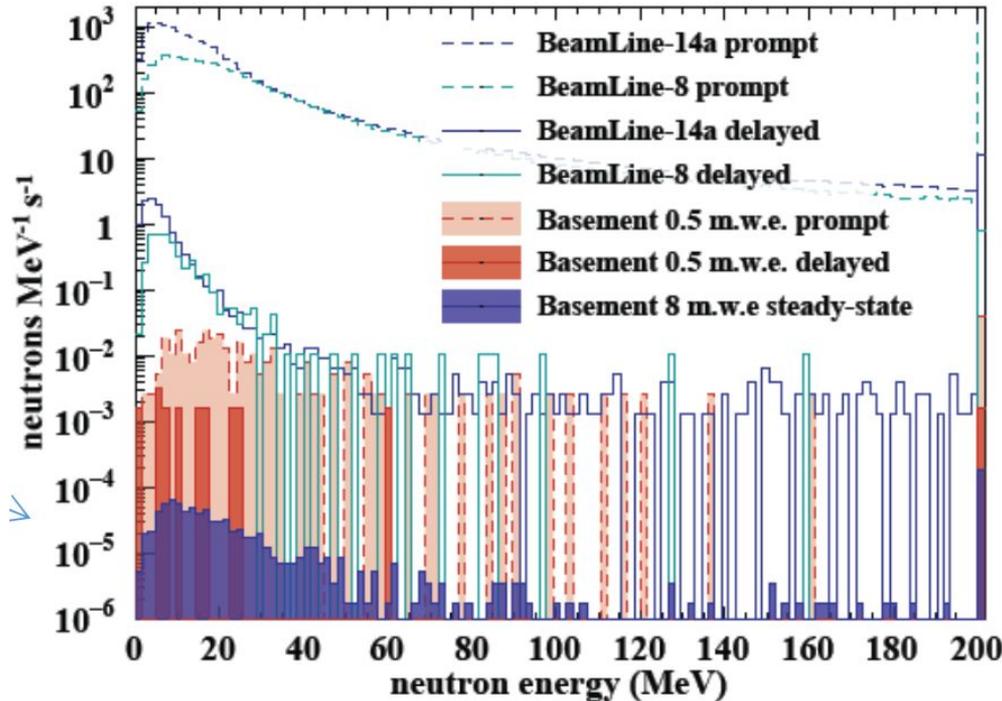


# “Neutrino Alley”



# Fake vs

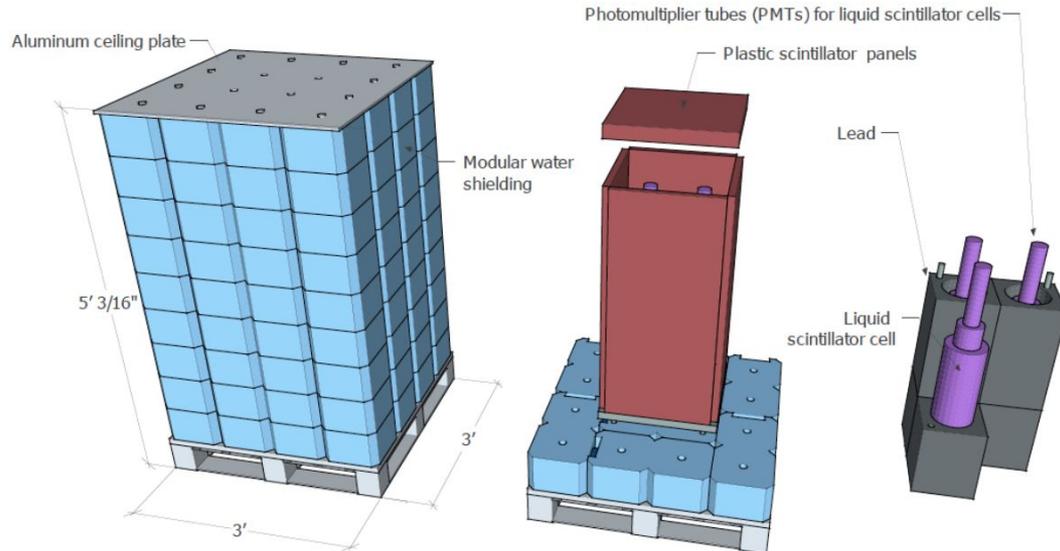
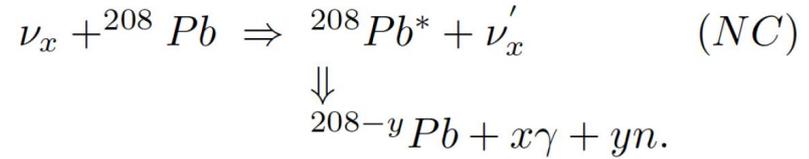
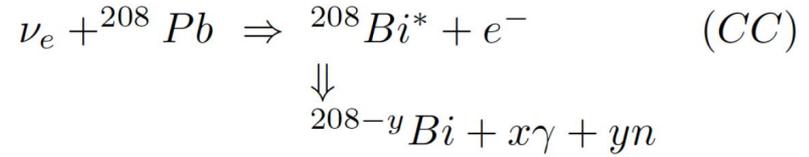
Dedicated Sandia *n*-scatter camera  
and SciBath measurements



Forthcoming measurements w/  
multiplicity and recoil spectrometer  
(MARS) detector

# NINS

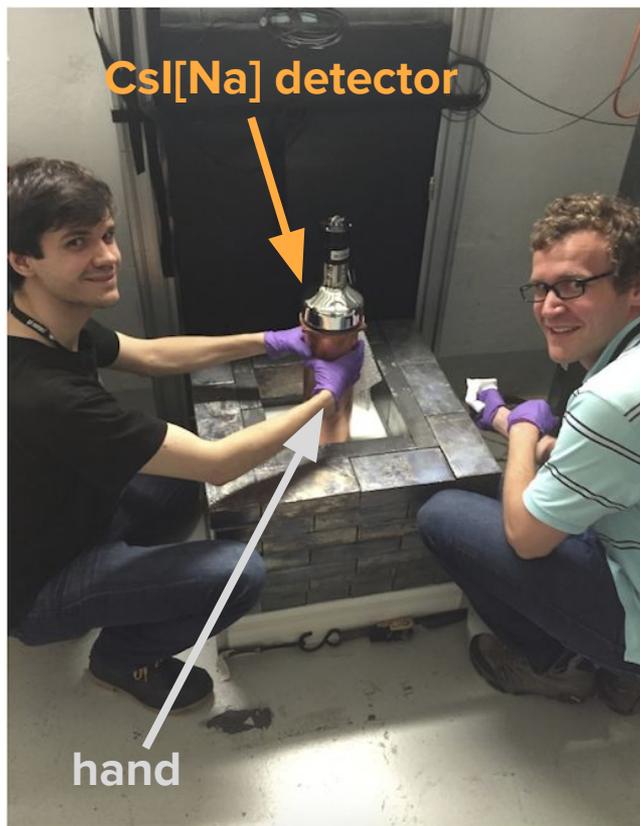
## Neutrino-induced-neutrons correlated with beam



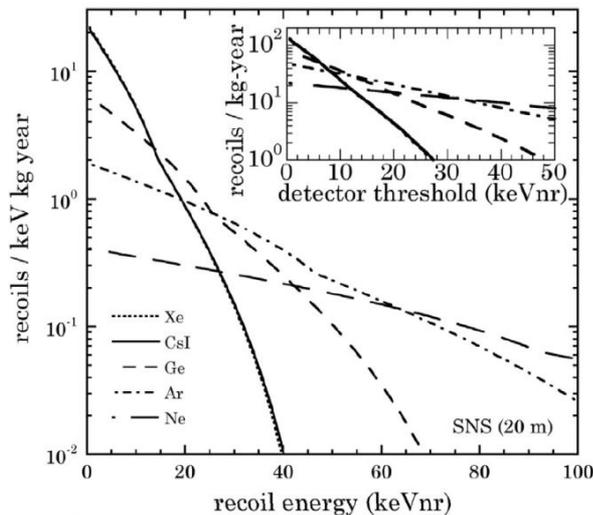
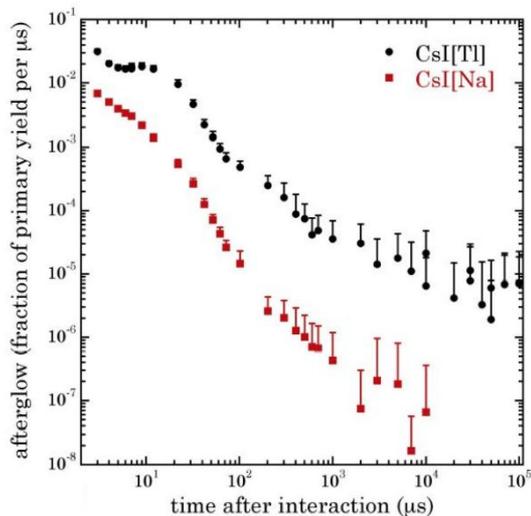
Not just a “nu”-isance --  
cross section is of  
astrophysical interest, e.g.  
SN $\nu$  detection in HALO expt

We are measuring this

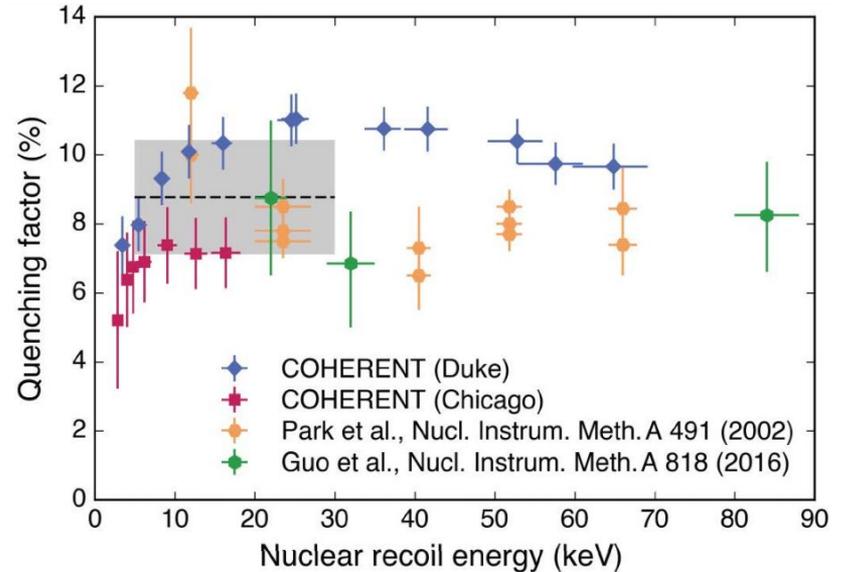
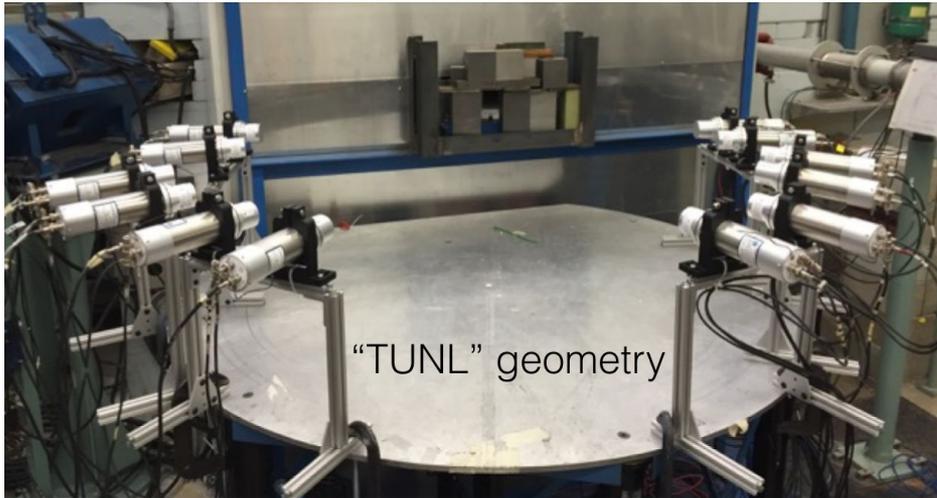
# A hand-held neutrino detector



- 14.6 kg low bkgd crystal in e-formed Cu, PTFE reflector, super-bialkali PMT
- Na doping for lower afterglow
- shielded w/ HDPE, Pb, water +  $\mu$ -veto



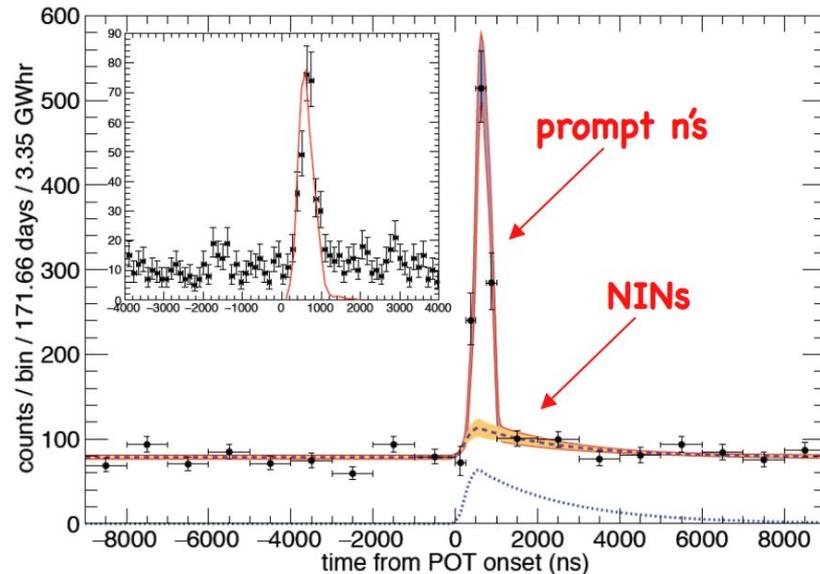
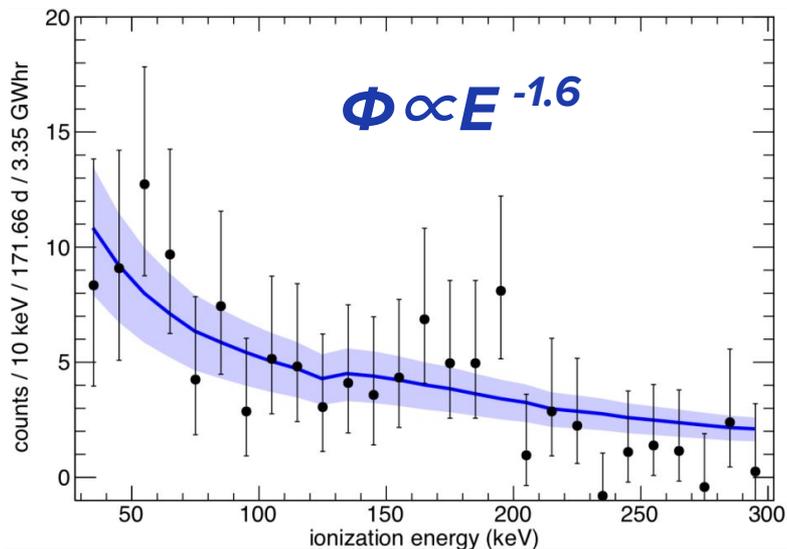
# Measuring the quenching factor



- detect fast- $n$  scatters with known kinematics
- Dominant systematic for CsI[Na] result
- Improved analysis within COHERENT forthcoming

# In situ background measurements

- EJ301 fast- $n$  detectors in similar shielding package
- systematic MCNP-PoliMi comparison

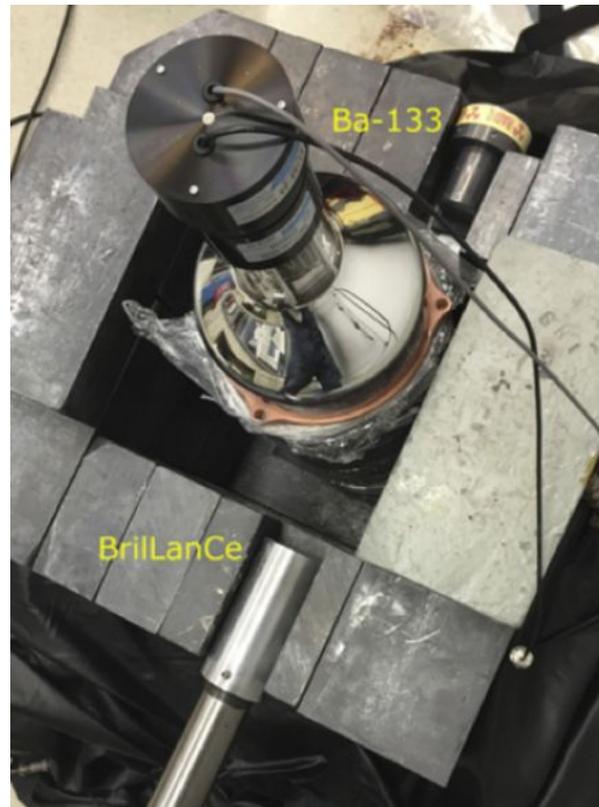
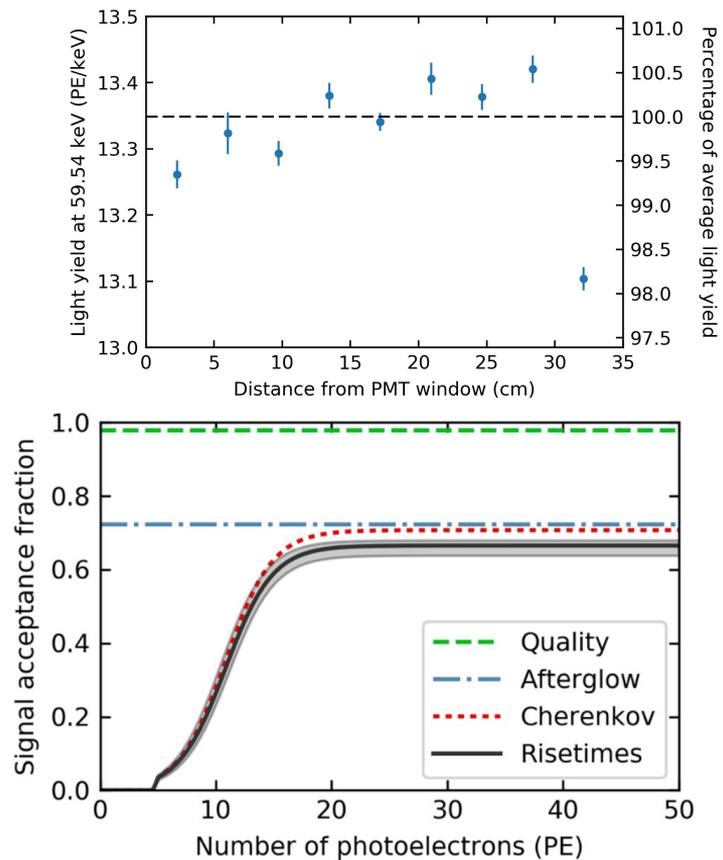


$\sim 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



more than order of magnitude smaller than CEvNS signal!

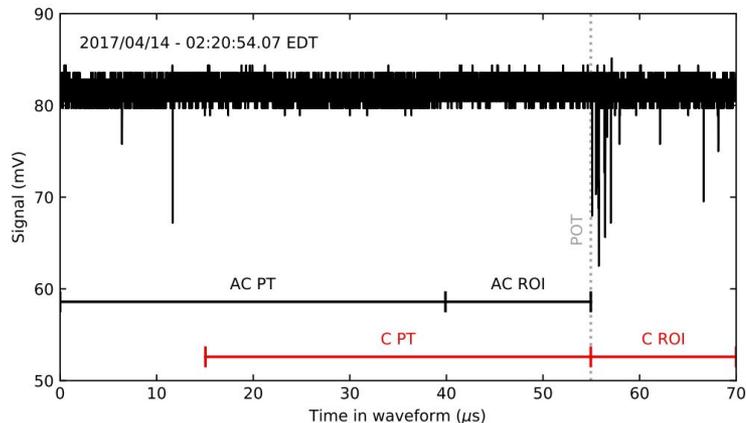
# CsI calibration and cuts



Careful tuning of cuts, measured light yield and uniformity

# Extracting the CE $\nu$ NS signal

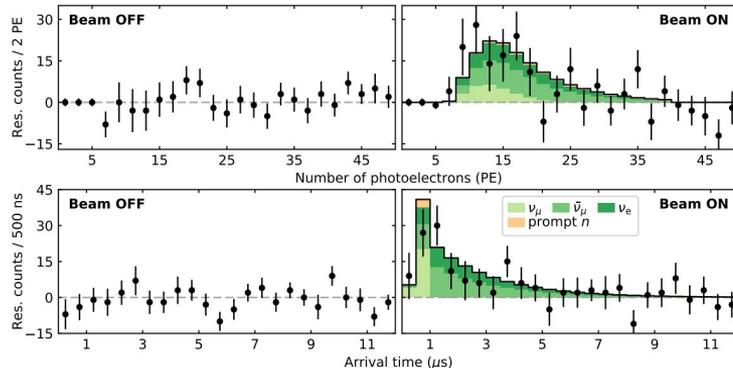
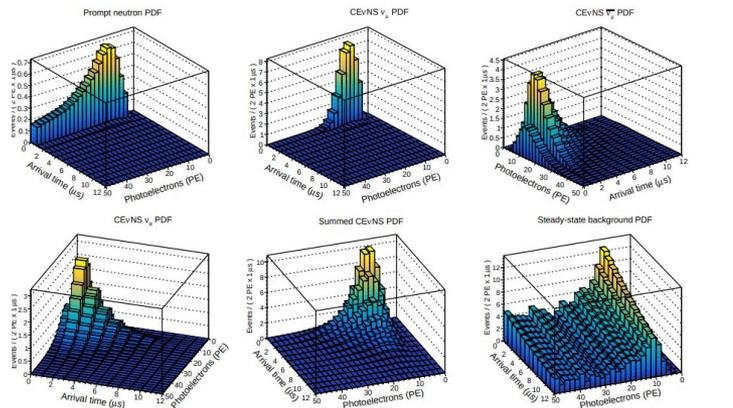
Acquire beam coincident and anti-coincident data



Construct expected signal from known light yield, Q.F., flux, timing, form factor information



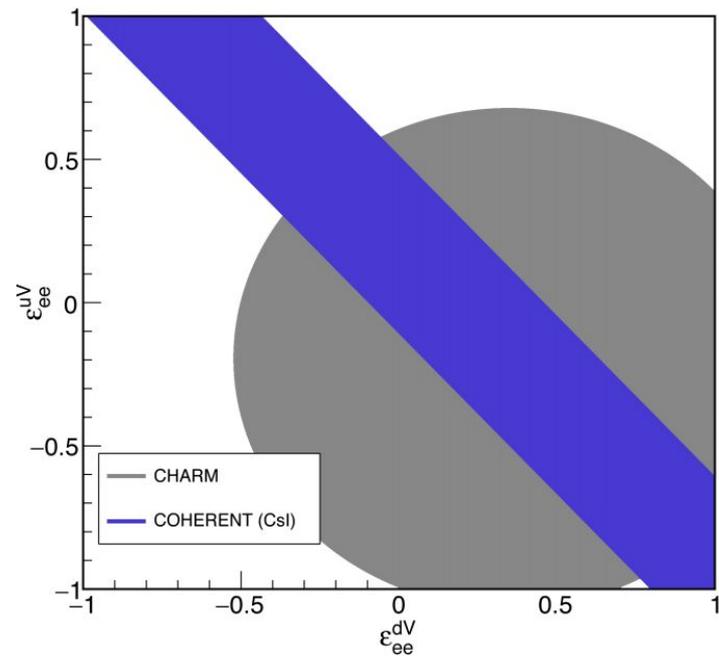
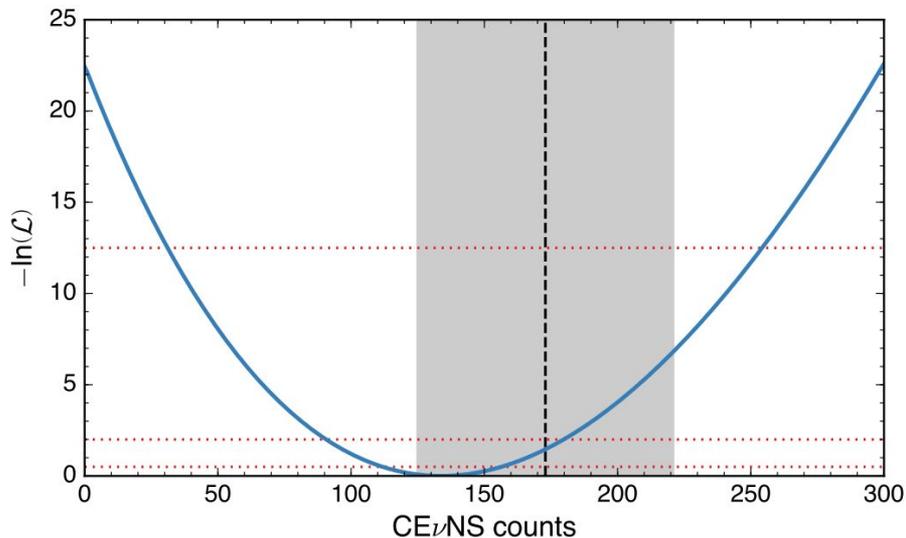
construct measured signal vs time and p.e.



# First results and impact

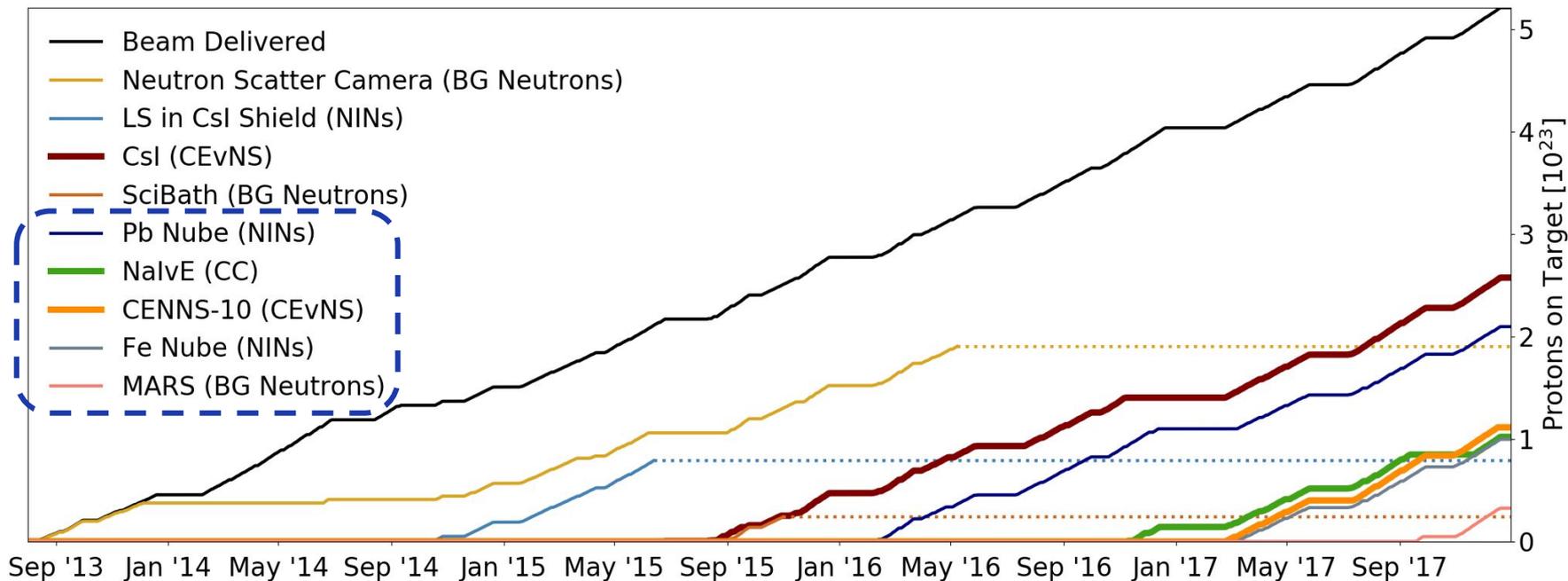
CEvNS signal at  $6.7\sigma$

SM agreement at  $\sim 1\sigma$



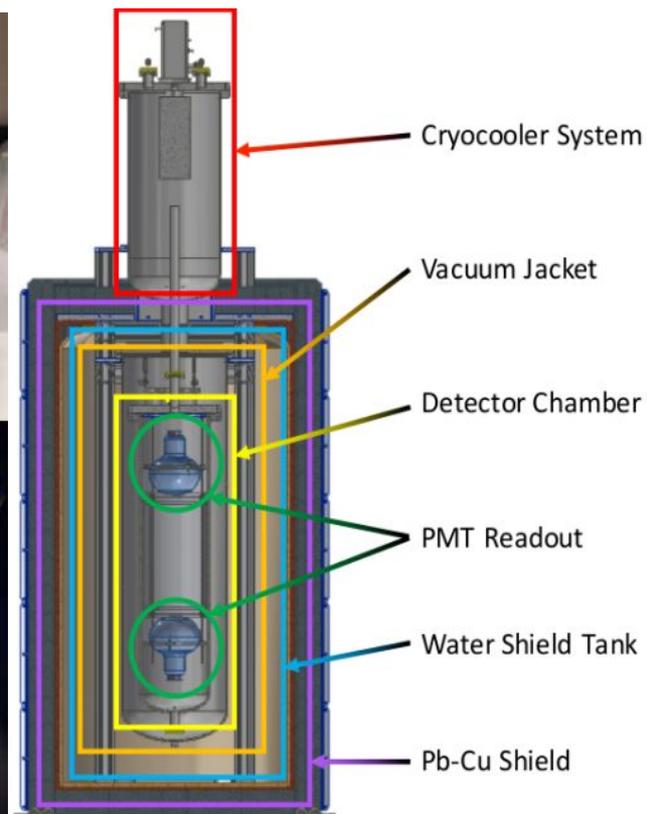
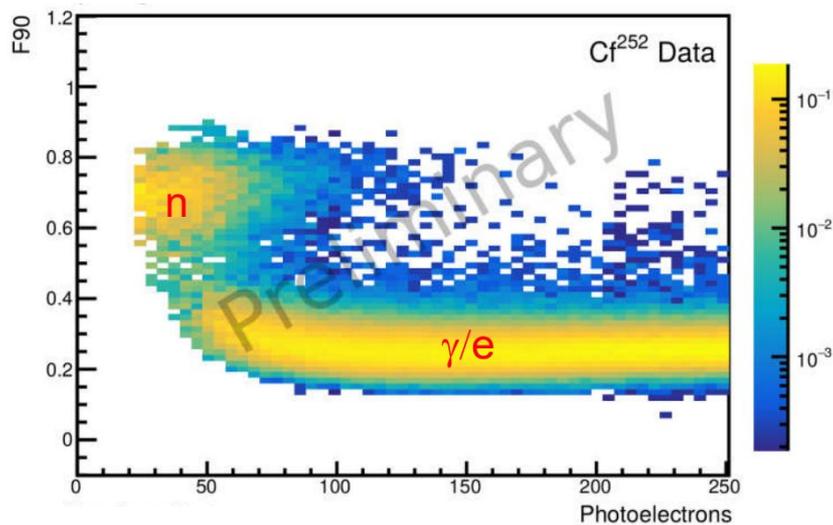
new constraints on NSIs for  $M \gtrsim 10$  MeV

# Meanwhile in neutrino alley...



# 22 kg single-phase LAr scintillator

- Built by FNAL, commissioned at IU
- heated getter for  $\sim 1$ ppm purity
- $E_{th} \sim 20$  keV,  $\sim 3$  p.e./keVee
- expect first CEvNS result in  $\sim 1$  y



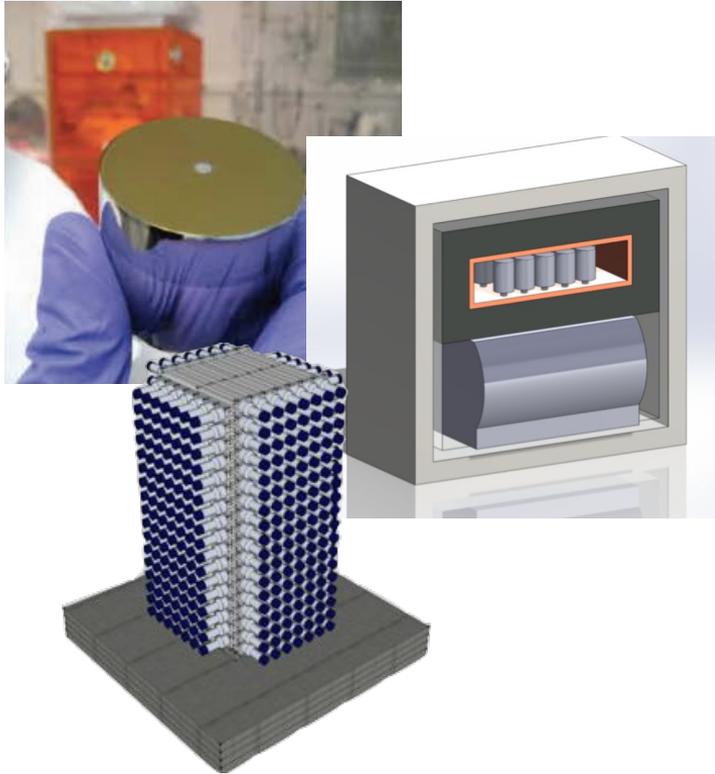
# NaIvE



- 185 kg compact NaI[TI] array
- Measure **inclusive**  $^{127}\text{I}(\nu_e, e^-)\text{Xe}^*$  cross section -- nuclear modeling/address  $g_A$  quenching
- Expect  $\mathcal{O}(5-10)$  evt. per month
- $\mu$ -veto upgrade in Nov 2017
- Bkgd characterization for ton-scale upgrade

	$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_\mu, \mu^-)X$	Decay in Flight	LSND	$1060 \pm 30(\text{stat}) \pm 180(\text{sys})$	1750-1780 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b) 1380 [Shell] (Hayes and S, 2000) 1115 [Green's Function] (Meucci <i>et al.</i> , 2004)
	$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_\mu, \mu^-)^{12}\text{N}_{\text{g.s.}}$	Decay in Flight	LSND	$56 \pm 8(\text{stat}) \pm 10(\text{sys})$	68-73 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b) 56 [Shell] (Hayes and S, 2000)
$^{56}\text{Fe}$	$^{56}\text{Fe}(\nu_e, e^-)^{56}\text{Co}$	Stopped $\pi/\mu$	KARMEN	$256 \pm 108(\text{stat}) \pm 43(\text{sys})$	264 [Shell] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999a)
$^{71}\text{Ga}$	$^{71}\text{Ga}(\nu_e, e^-)^{71}\text{Ge}$	$^{51}\text{Cr}$ source	GALLEX, ave.	$0.0054 \pm 0.0009(\text{tot})$	0.0058 [Shell] (Haxton, 1998)
		$^{51}\text{Cr}$	SAGE	$0.0055 \pm 0.0007(\text{tot})$	
		$^{37}\text{Ar}$ source	SAGE	$0.0055 \pm 0.0006(\text{tot})$	0.0070 [Shell] (Bahcall, 1997)
$^{127}\text{I}$	$^{127}\text{I}(\nu_e, e^-)^{127}\text{Xe}$	Stopped $\pi/\mu$	LSND	$284 \pm 91(\text{stat}) \pm 25(\text{sys})$	210-310 [Quasi-particle] (Engel <i>et al.</i> , 1994)

# A look ahead



- We have detected CEvNS at  $6.7 \sigma$ , with good SM agreement -- **CsI[Na]** data-taking continues
- Improved **background** studies with Nubes/MARS
- 10 kg **PPC Ge**, w/ future upgrade to state-of-the-art tech -- study **e.m. properties**
- **NaI**: 2-ton CEvNS sensitive upgrade
- Further NIN studies, several prospects for additional target nuclei for improved nuclear-, astro-, and particle-physics reach

# The COHERENT Collaboration

