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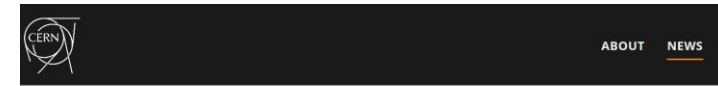


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Rekindled Atomki anomaly merits closer scrutiny

20 December 2019



Article in Nature,
CNN news, boom in
the media

Observation of Anomalous Internal Pair Creation in ⁸Be: A Possible Indication of a Light, Neutral Boson

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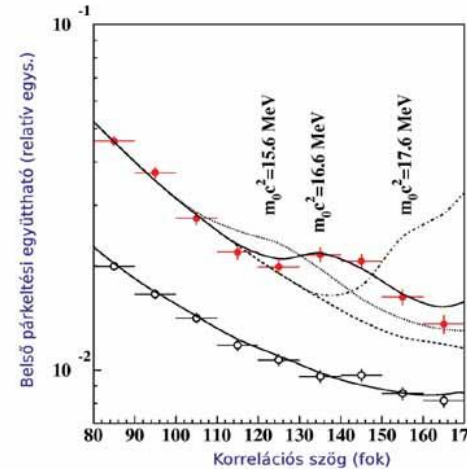
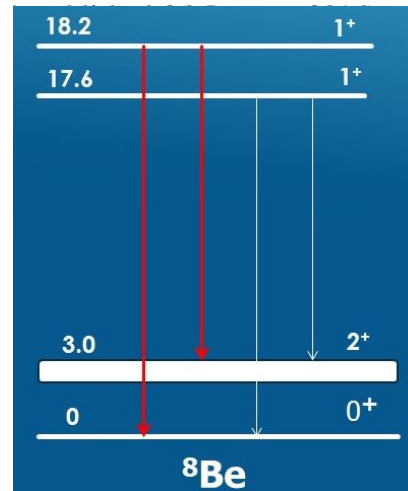
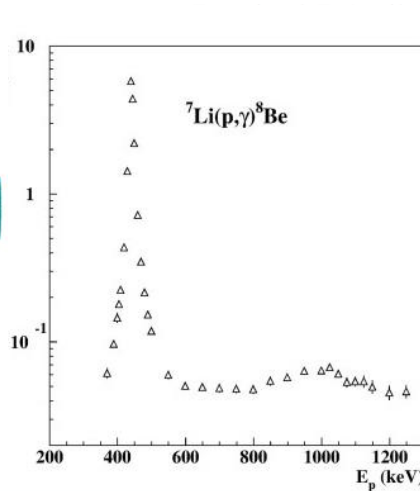
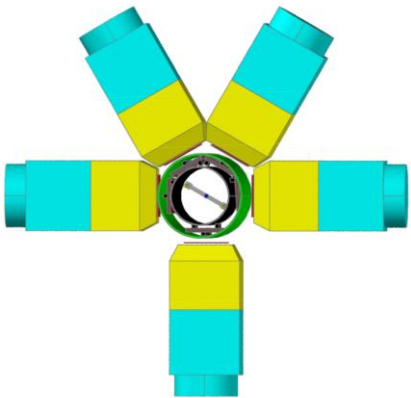
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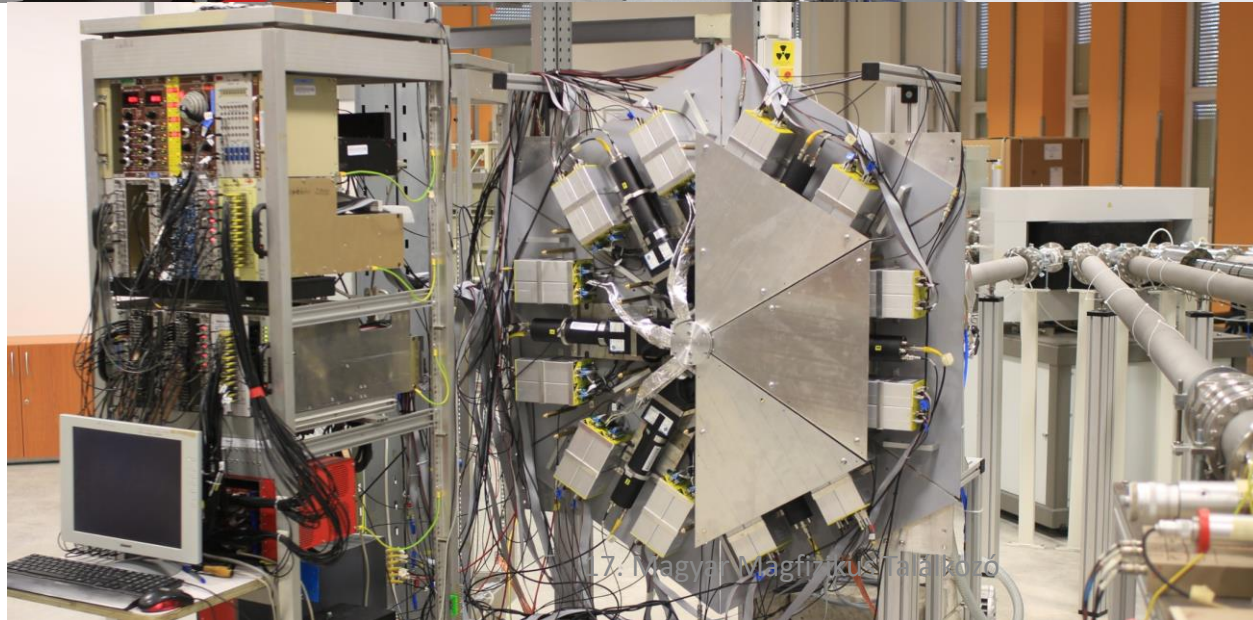
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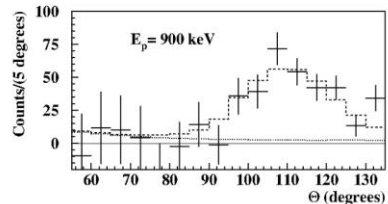
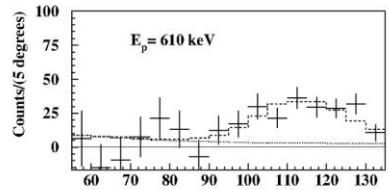
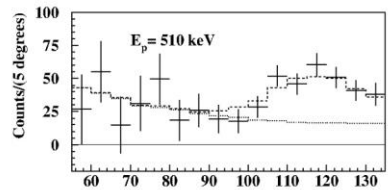
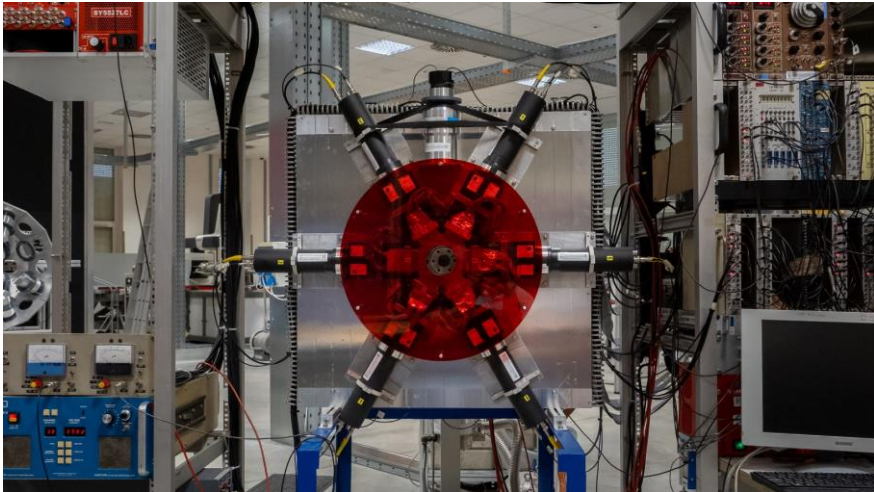


The ATOMKI anomaly → signals for a new 17 MeV boson → gauge boson of a new fundamental force of nature

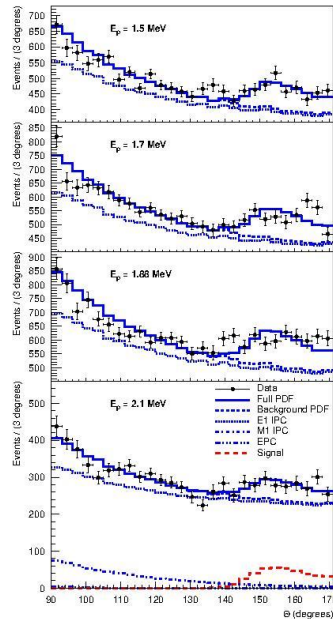
The newly built tandetron lab. in ATOMKI and the newest version of the e^+e^- spectrometer



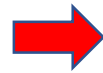
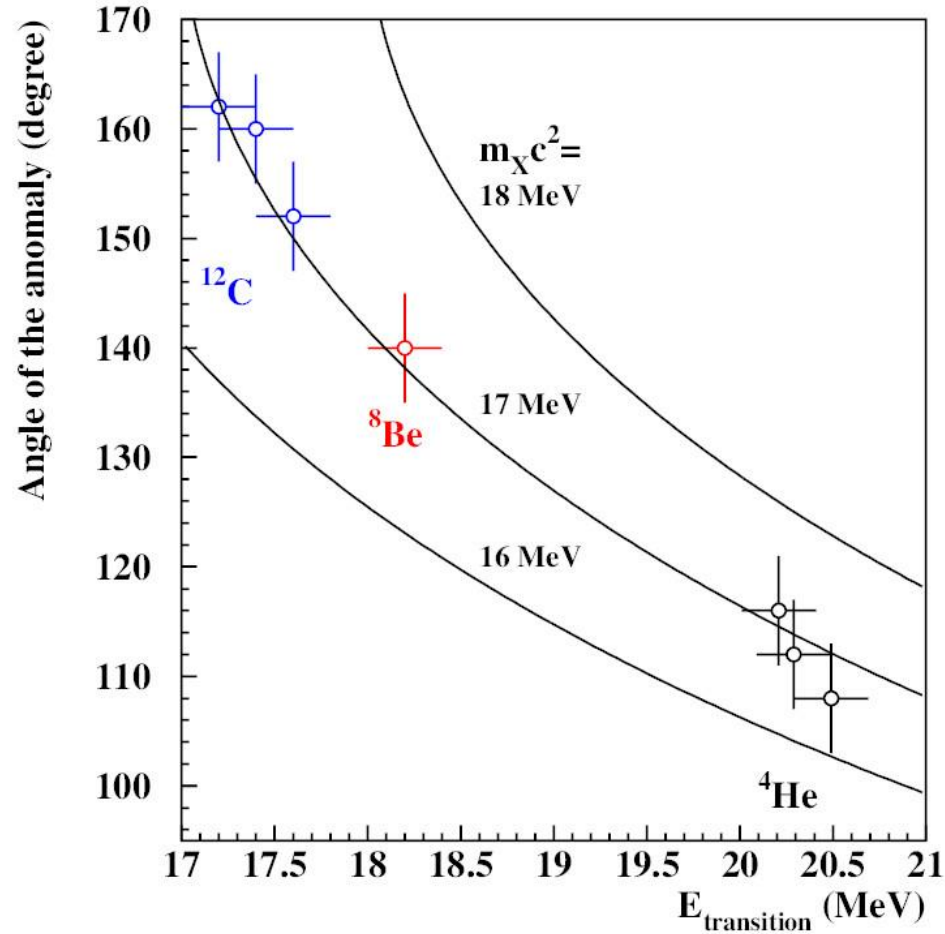
Our recent experimental results



⁴He PRC 2021



¹²C PRC 2022



**Kinematical evidence
for the X17 particle**

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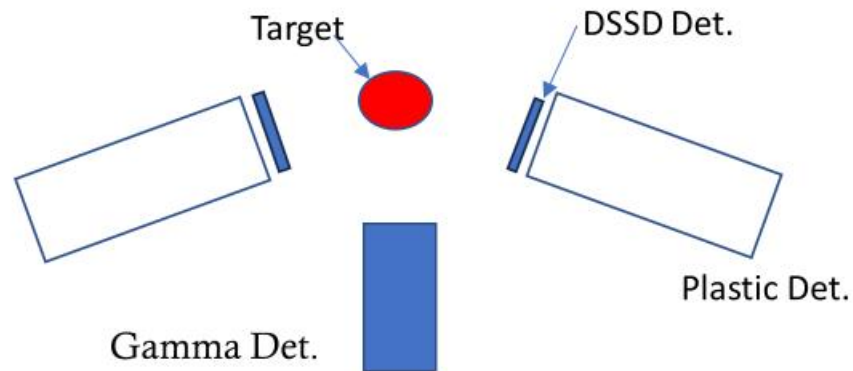
Az X17 részecske kutatása különböző laborokban

1. HUS, Hanoi, Vietnam
2. JINR, Dubna, Russia
3. BES III, Beijing, China
4. MEG II, PSI, Willigen, Switzerland
5. PADME, Rome, Italy
6. New JEDI projekt , GANIL, France
7. INFN, Legnaro, Italy
8. DAFNE, Montral, Canada
9. CTU, Prague, Czechia
10. nTOF, CERN, Switzerland
11. NA64, CERN, Switzerland
12. NA62, CERN, Switzerland
13. BES-III, Beijing, China
14. FASER, CERN, Switzerland
15. SUPER-X, ANU, Canberra, Australia
16. DARKLIGHT, GLAB, USA
17. PRad, GLAB, USA
18. REDTOP, USA, Purdue, USA
19. Belle-II, SuperKEKB, Japan
20. NA48, CERN, Switzerland
21. MAGIX, Dark MESA, Mainz, Germany
22. VEPP-3, Vladivostok, Russia



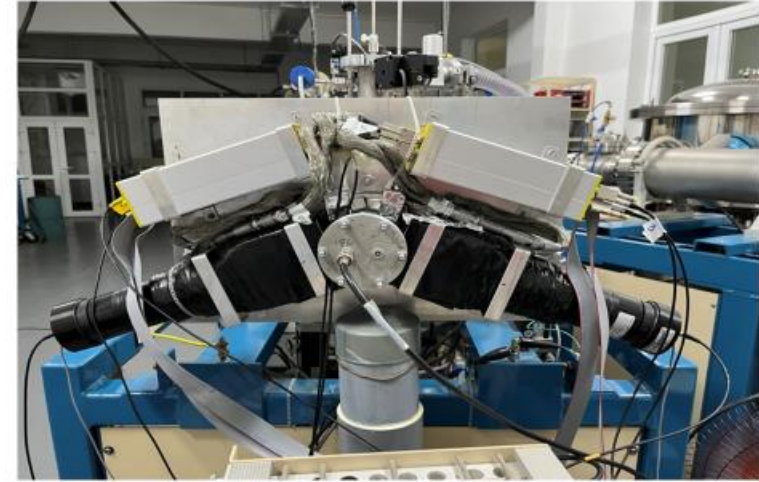
Experiment Setup

We used p-beam with different energies to bombard the Li-target to populate 18.15 and 17.6 MeV ^8Be excited states with resonant proton capture.



Why did we arrange the Det-system like this?

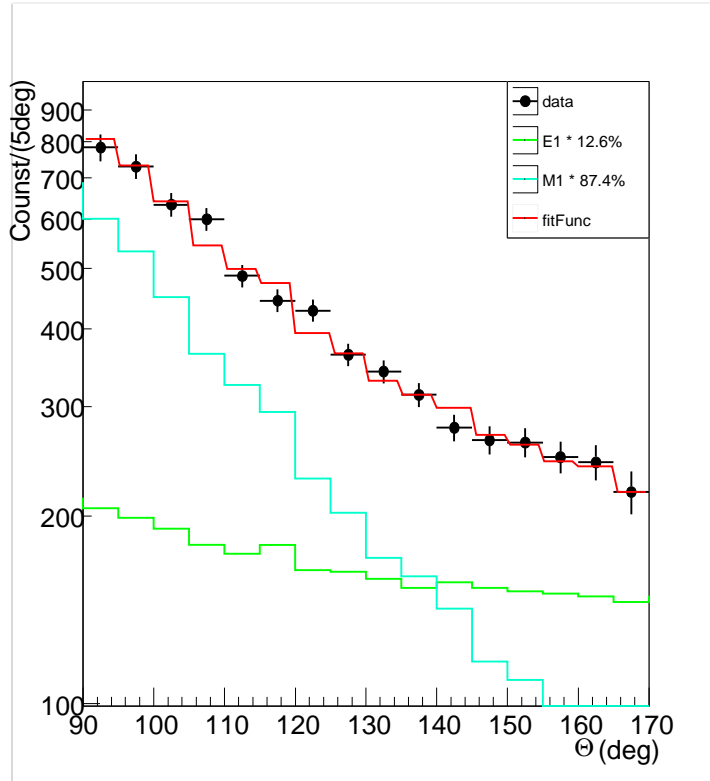
Detector setup to measure the energies and the angle between the $e^+ e^-$ particles.



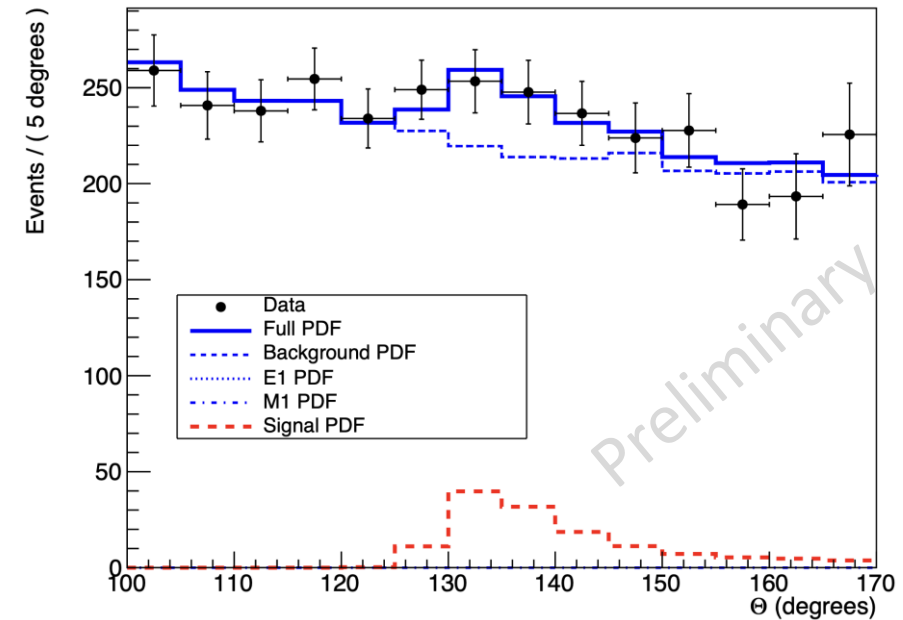
Picture in lab of the detector system and the DAQ connected to Pelletron



Acceptance corrected angular correlations



$E_p = 441$ keV
No anomaly

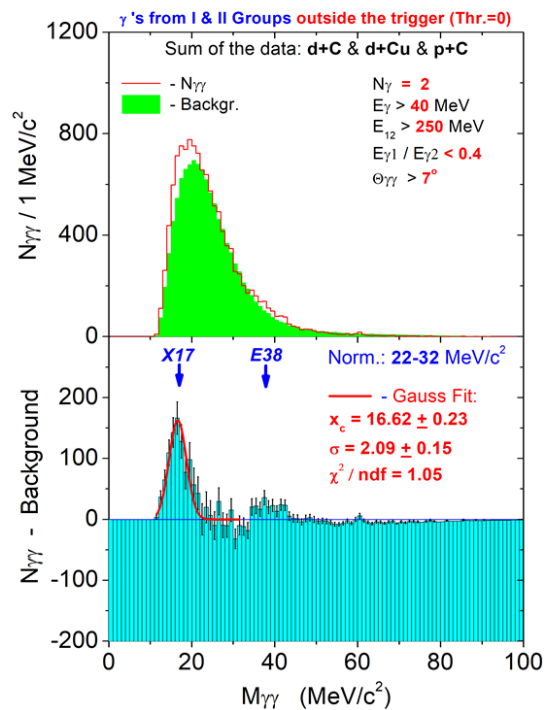
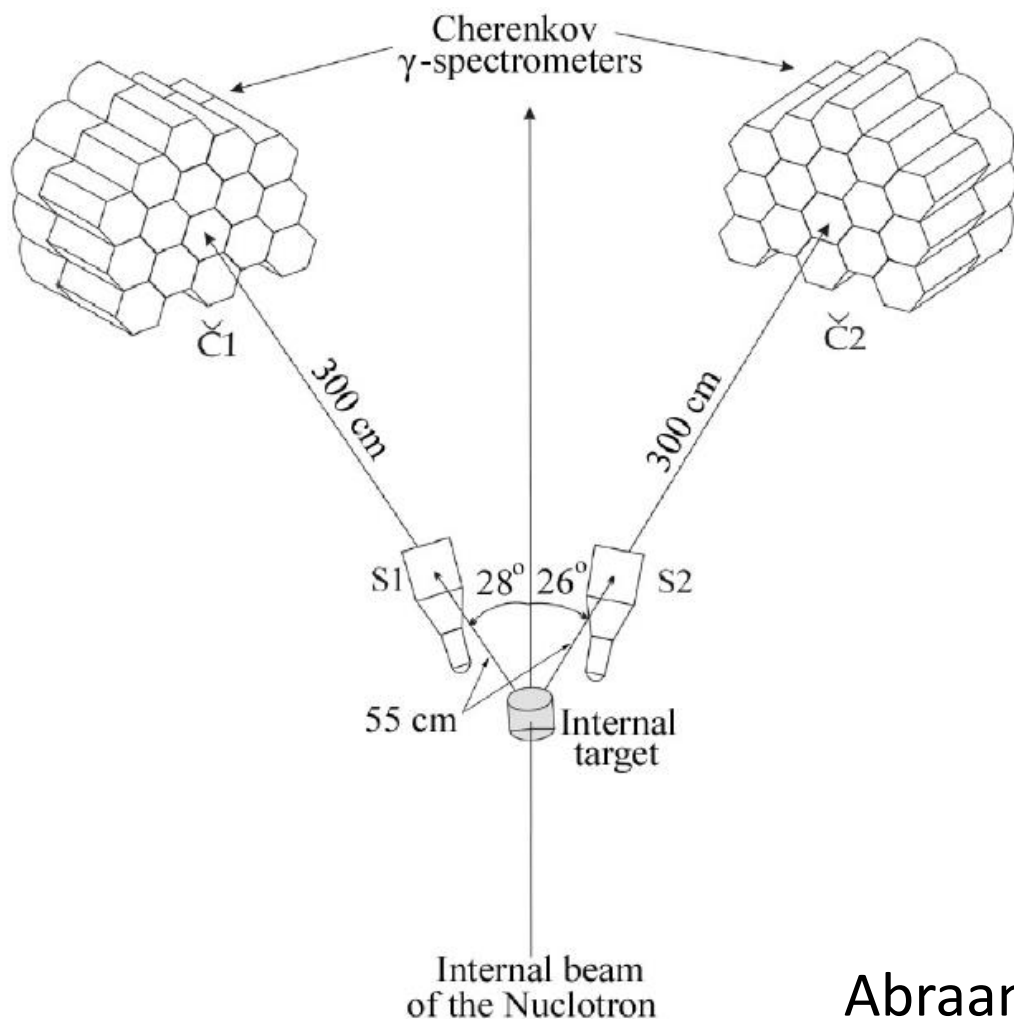


$E_p = 1.04$ MeV. Background: M1+E1
The anomaly appears at angle
around 140° (*)

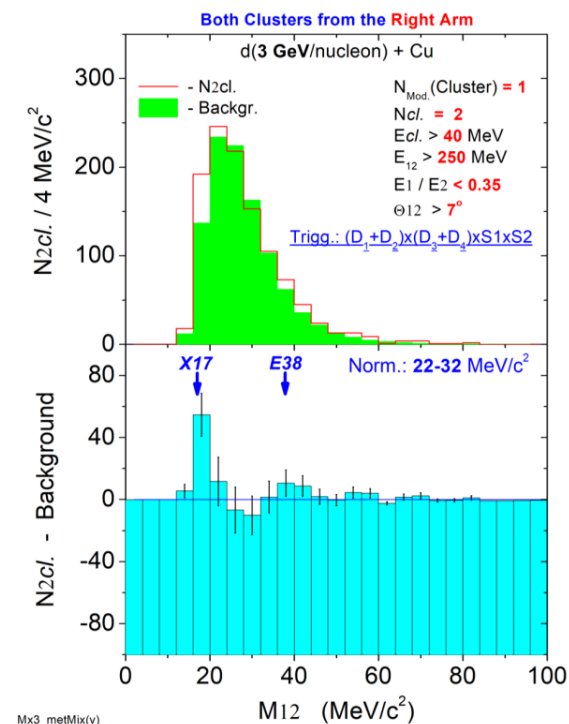
$m_{\text{boson}} = 16.7 \pm 0.47$ (MeV)
Significance: 4-5 σ



Confirmation of the X17 particle in the Dubna experiment



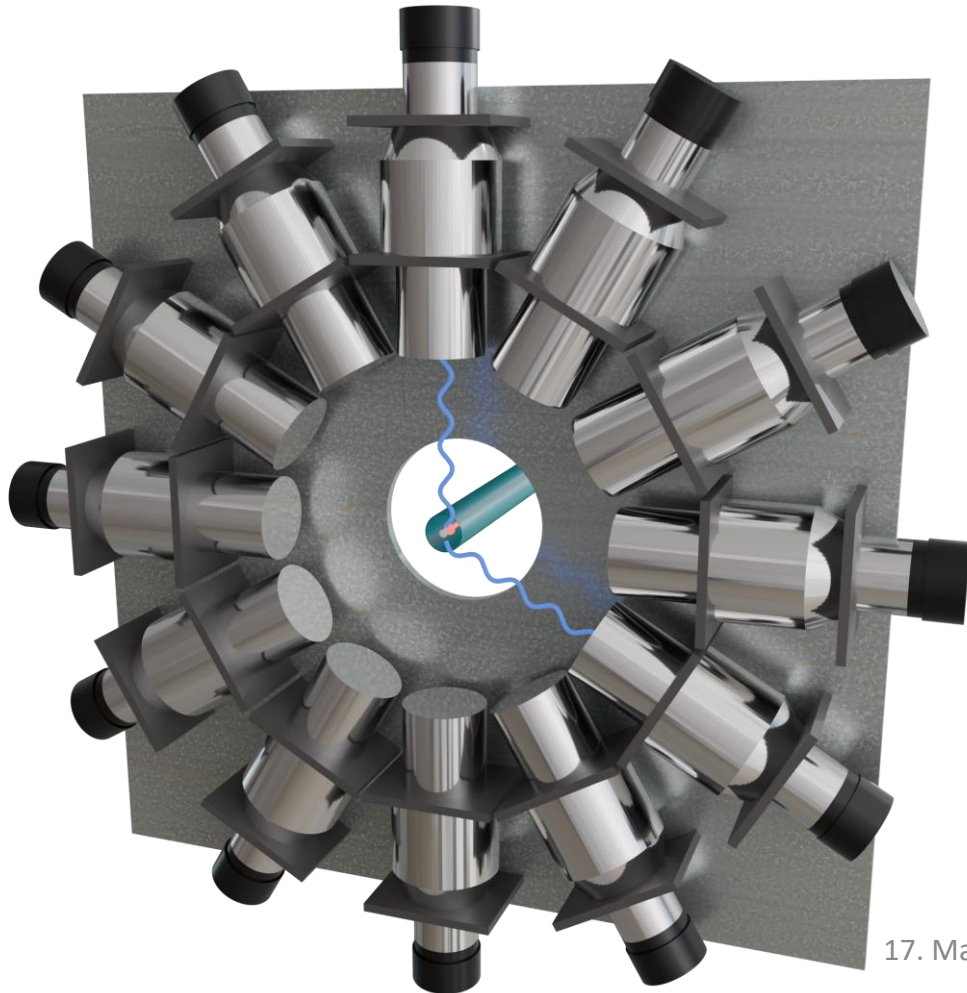
Confirms our results on the $\gamma\gamma^-$ -decay of X17



Confirms our results on the e^+e^- -decay of X17

New experiments in HUN-REN ATOMKI

Study the $\gamma\gamma$ -decay of the X17 particle



The Dubna results for 2γ decay ...
X17 is a QED meson ???

Cheuk-Yin Wong, MDPI, Universe, 2024, 10, 173

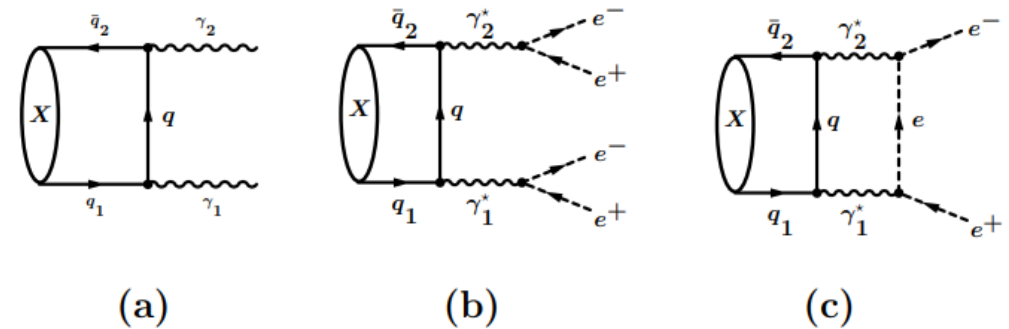


Figure 2. (a) A QED meson X can decay into two real photons $X \rightarrow \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$. (b) It can decay into two virtual photons, each of which subsequently decays into a (e^+e^-) pair, $X \rightarrow \gamma_1^* + \gamma_2^* \rightarrow (e^+e^-) + (e^+e^-)$, and (c) it can decay into a single (e^+e^-) pair, $X \rightarrow \gamma_1^* + \gamma_2^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$.

Az X17 első részecskefizikai megerősítése



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Study of $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-l^+l^-$ decays at BESIII



The BESIII collaboration

Beijing, China

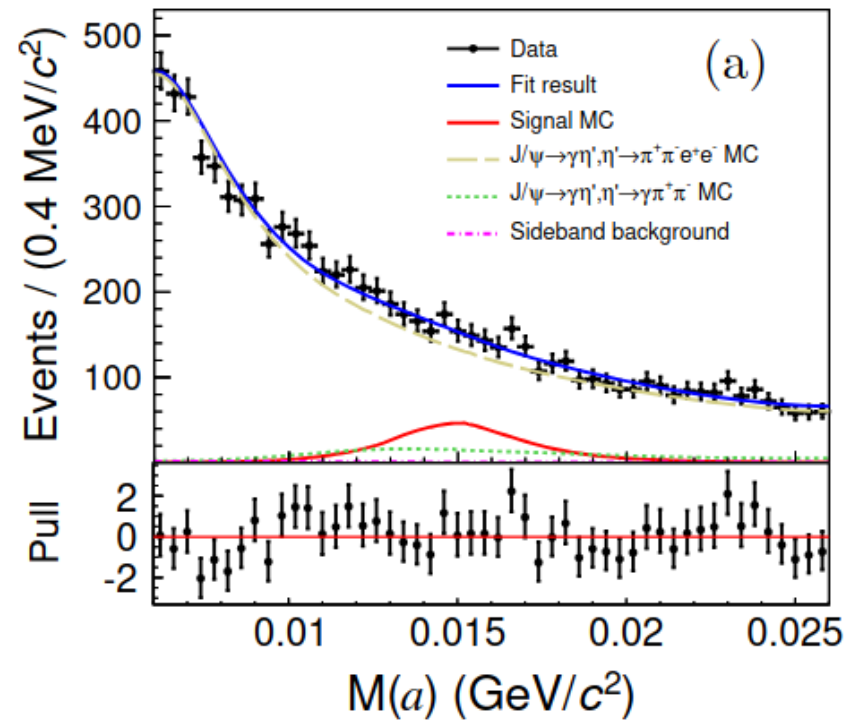
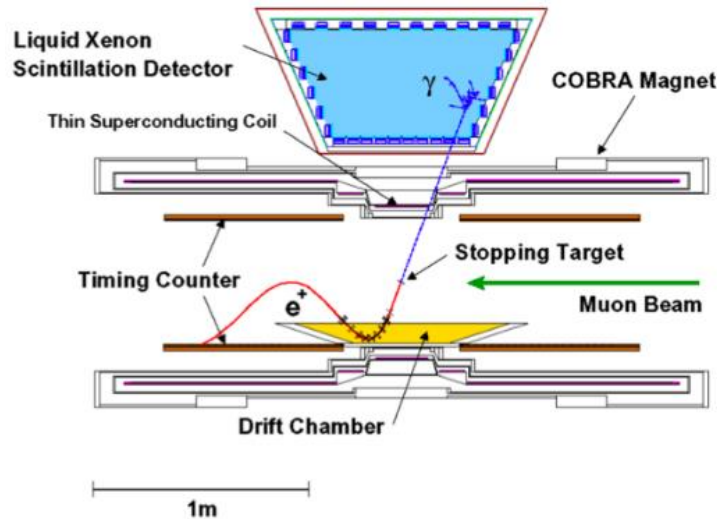


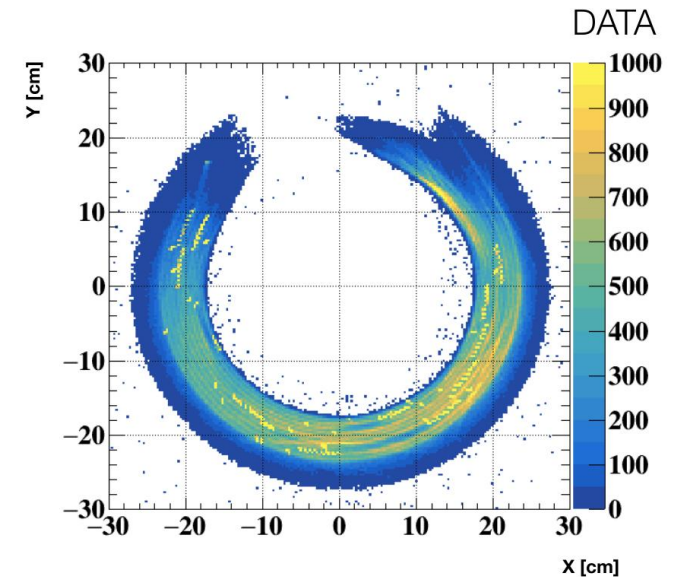
Figure 9. (a) Fit to the invariant mass distribution of $M(a)$ when the mass of a is $15 \text{ MeV}/c^2$. The dots with error bars represent data, and the blue solid line is the total fit result. The red dashed histogram represents the arbitrary normalized MC signal shape, which is scaled by a factor of 10. The golden dashed histogram is the $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta', \eta' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$ MC shape. The green dashed histogram is the $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta', \eta' \rightarrow \gamma\pi^+\pi^-$ MC shape, and the pink dotted histogram is the background obtained from

Search for the X(17) particle in the ${}^7\text{Li}(p, e^+e^-){}^8\text{Be}$ reaction with the MEG II detector (PSI, Willigen, Switzerland)



Collected data sample

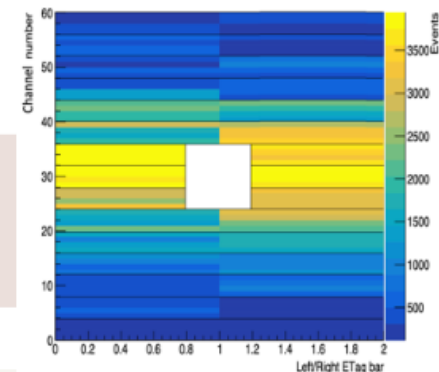
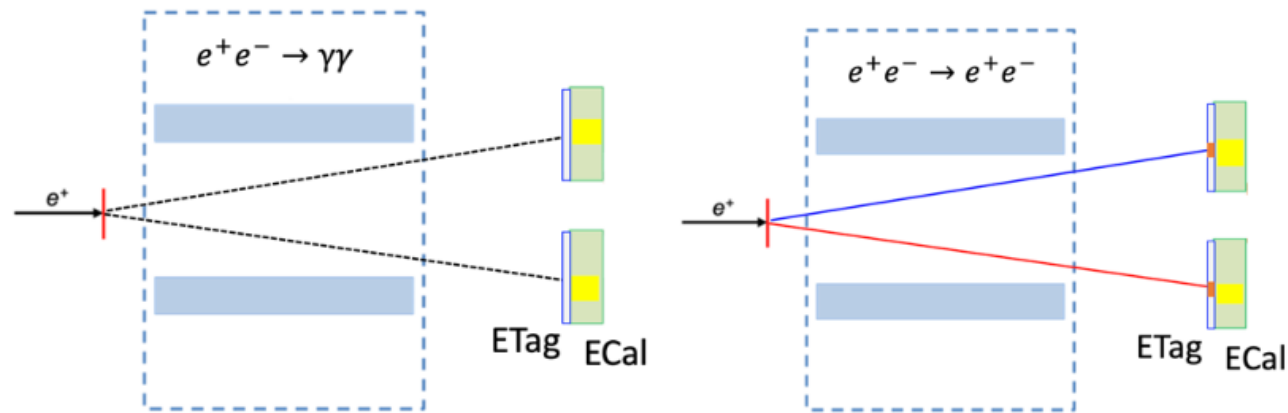
- **Pivotal** run **2022**: Proton beam tuning, Mechanical/integration test of the new parts, LiF and LiPON target test, Different trigger settings, Optimised Data Taking and Reconstruction Algorithms
- **Physics** run **2023**: 4 weeks producing mainly the 17.6 MeV gamma-line
 - Proton energy at 1080 keV
 - Beam composition: H+ (~75%) and H2+ (~25%)
 - Thick LiPON (~7 μm)
 - Both 440 keV and 1030 keV excited simultaneously
- Statistics:
 - ~75 M Events
 - ~300 K Events Reconstructed pairs
- On full range of the Esum and Angular Opening angle observables:
 - ~60% EPC (14.6 + 17.6 MeV)
 - Dominant at low angle, negligible in the signal region
 - ~40% IPC (14.6 + 17.6 MeV)
 - Dominant in the signal region



A X17 data collection fully exploiting the 1030 keV is foreseen during the first part of 2025.

PADME Run II modified setup

- Using PADME veto is impossible to reconstruct e^+e^- mass having no vertex info
 - Idea: identify $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ using the BGO calorimeter only, as for $\gamma\gamma$ events in Run II
- Switch the PADME dipole **magnet off**
 - Both positron and electron will reach the ECal
 - Can measure precisely (3%) electron-positron pair momentum and angles
 - Can reconstruct invariant mass of the pairs precisely (small pile-up)
 - **Identify clusters** in ECal from photons or electrons
 - New detector, plastic scintillators, similar to PADME vetos (Electron tagger, ETag) with vertical segmentation and covering the fiducial region of ECal



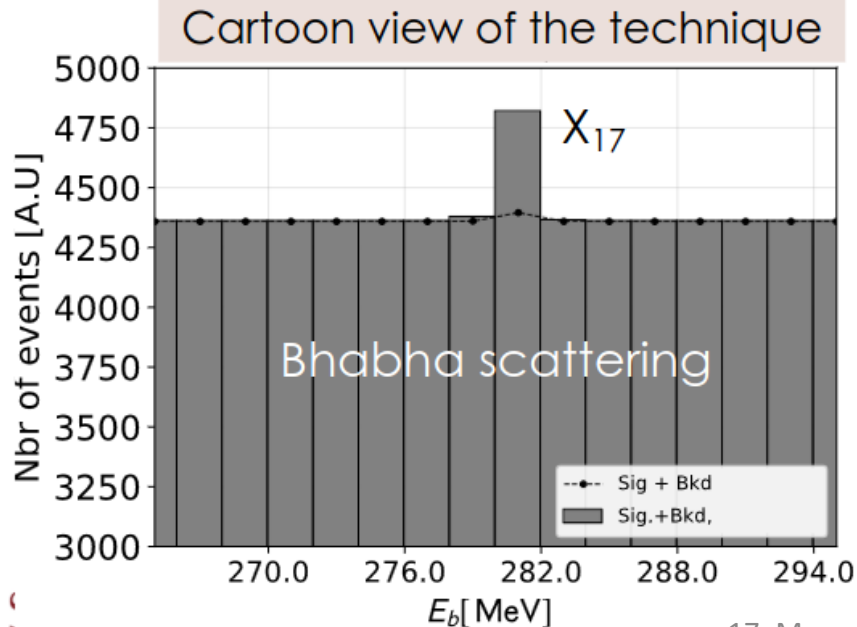
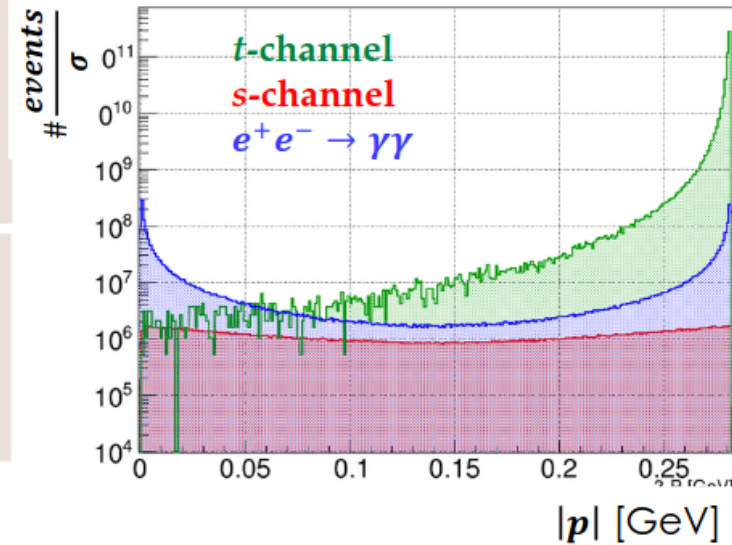
- Thanks to the enhanced production cross section can reduce $N_{\text{POT}}/\text{bunch}$ by factor 10.
- Much lower pile-up and better energy resolution



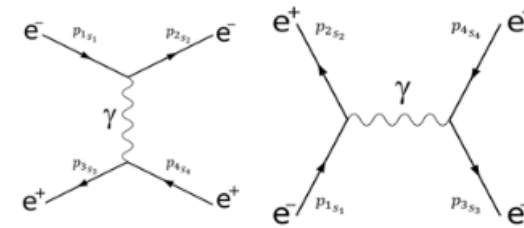
The mass scan X17 search strategy

PADME, can use resonant X17 production process

- Extremely effective in producing X17 but in a very small mass range
- Scan $E_{\text{beam}} = 260\text{--}300$ MeV in <1 MeV steps
- Completely data driven no theory or MC input
- Signal should emerge on top of **Bhabha** BG in one or more points of the scan.
- Background estimated from surrounding bins

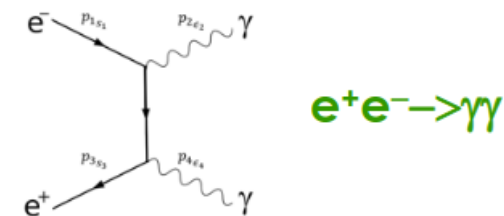


Bhabha scattering



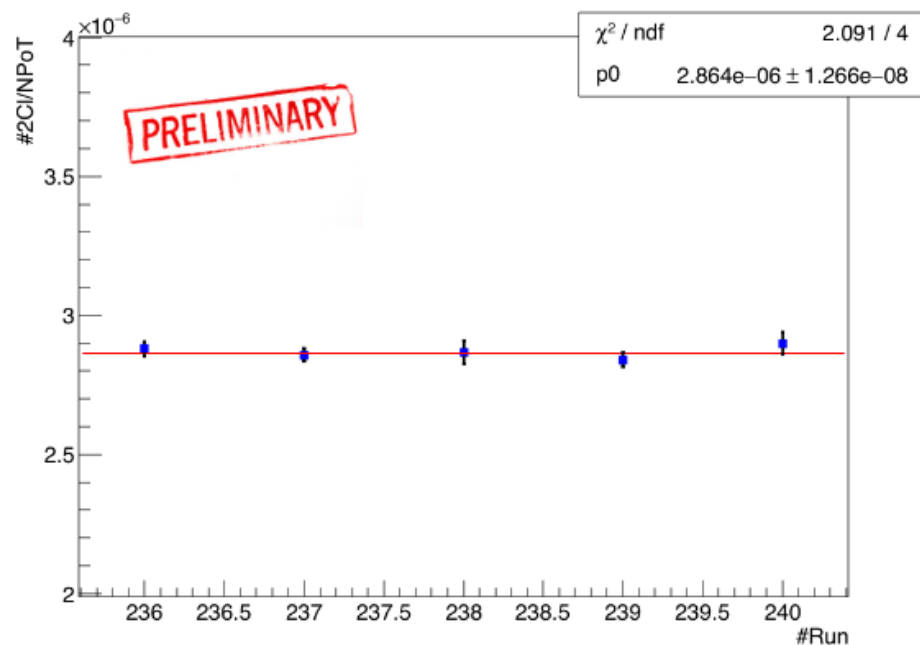
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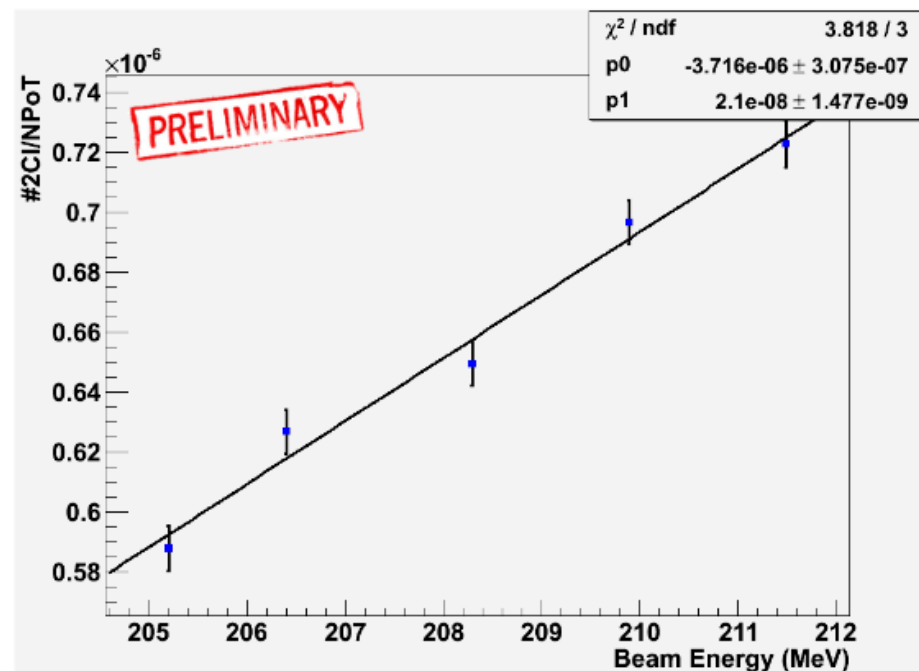
First look out of resonance data sets

Over resonance 402 MeV



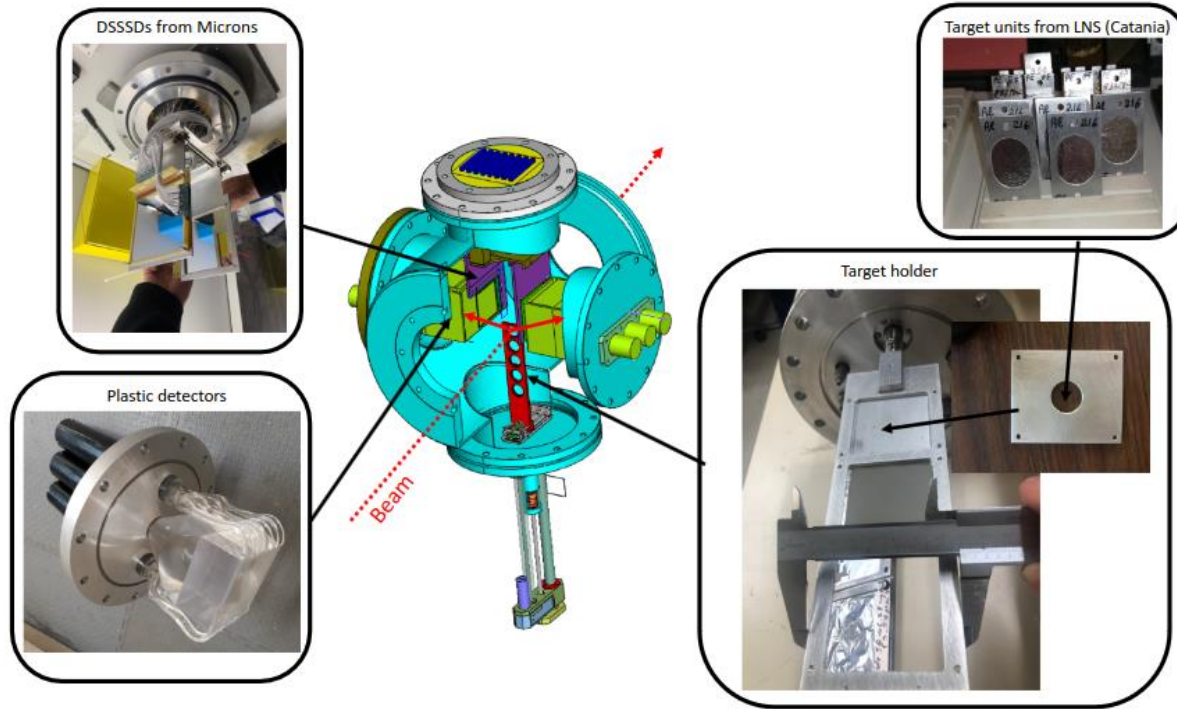
- **RMS ~0.7%** over the 5 runs
 - compatible with pure statistic
- Constant **fit has a good χ^2**
 - No significant systematic errors
- **Vertical scale arbitrary:**
 - No acceptance correction applied

Below resonance



- **RMS <1%** over the 5 energies
 - computed on residuals wrt the fit
- Good χ^2 of the linear fit
 - Trend due to acceptance
 - Trend is reproduced by MC
- **Vertical scale arbitrary:**

The New JEDI (Judicious Experiments for Dark sectors Investigations) project (PI: [Beyhan Bastin](#) GANIL, France)



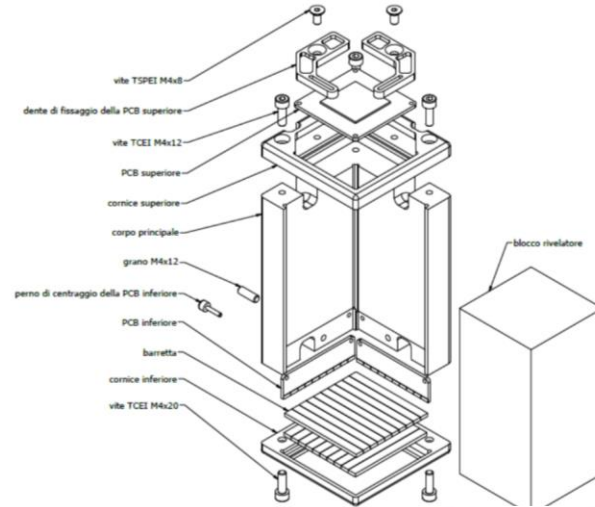
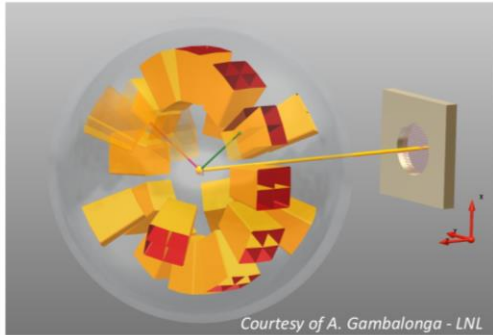
The two set of Double-Sided Silicon Strips Detectors (DSSSDs) of the New JEDI setup provides energy losses and angles of the detected electrons and positrons. In addition, the sets of plastic detectors with SiPM readout is used to measure the residual energy of electrons and positrons.

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We plan to develop a long-term research program in the MeV terra incognita energy range at the new SPIRAL2 facility, that will deliver unique high-intensity beams of light, heavy-ions and neutrons in Europe.

In practice, three experiments using the New JEDI setup concerning the existence of the X17 Dark Boson are envisaged...

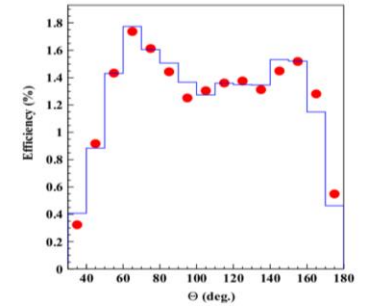
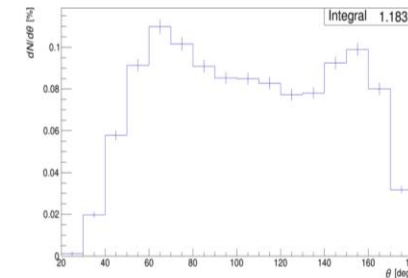
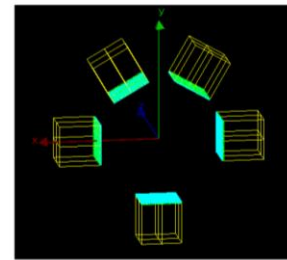
- Improve angular resolution by reducing material budget.
- Improve angular coverage and measure out-of-plane correlation
- Improve confidence on target composition.
- Allow future coupling with a magnetic field.
- Focus on ^8Be and, possibly, ^{12}C cases.



Pair detection efficiency: two angular configurations

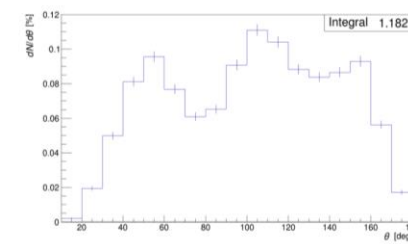
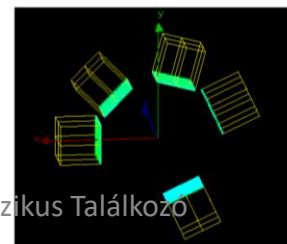
DSSD + Plastic sci. with SiPM readout.

A – Angles: 0° - 60° - 120° - 180° - 270° (Atomki configuration)



Good compatibility in shape with respect to the Atomki configuration. [J. Gulyás et al, NIM A 808, 21 (2016)]

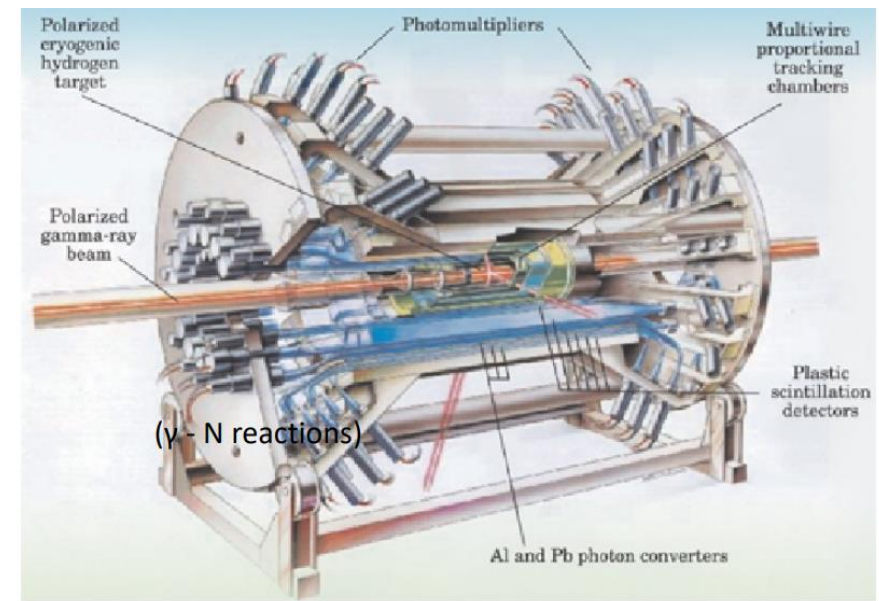
B – Angles: 0° - 45° - 105° - 155° - 245°



Estimated Pairs detection efficiency
 $\epsilon_{pairs} = 1.18\%$

The Montreal X-17 Project

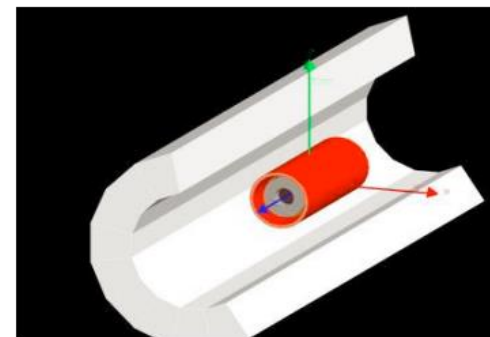
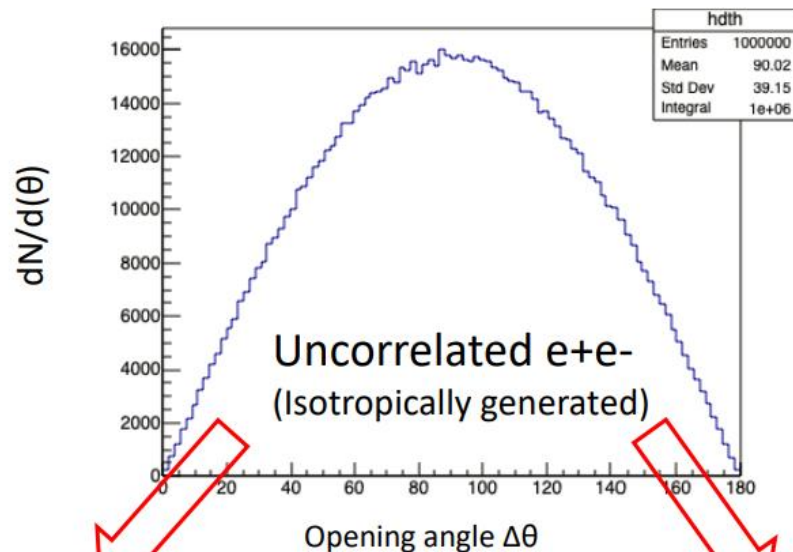
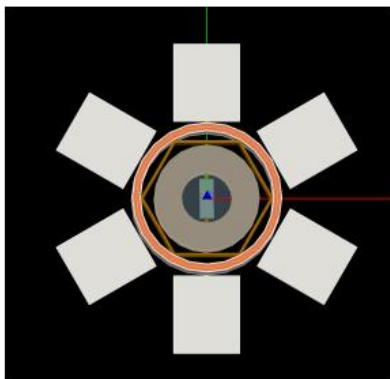
- Use parts of the DAPHNE experiment (Saclay/Mainz*)
- Tracking MWPC chamber & 16 scintillators (NE102A)
- Scints & MWPC from U. Mainz → now @ Montreal
- Phototubes and some ADC/TDC's borrowed from TRIUMF



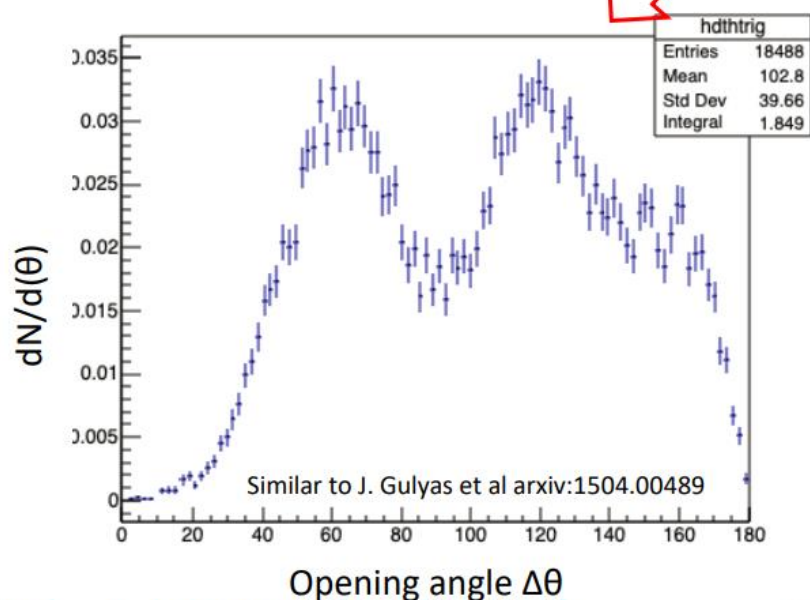
Large solid angle coverage → $0.95 \times 4\pi$

* Many thanks to L. Doria & U. Mainz

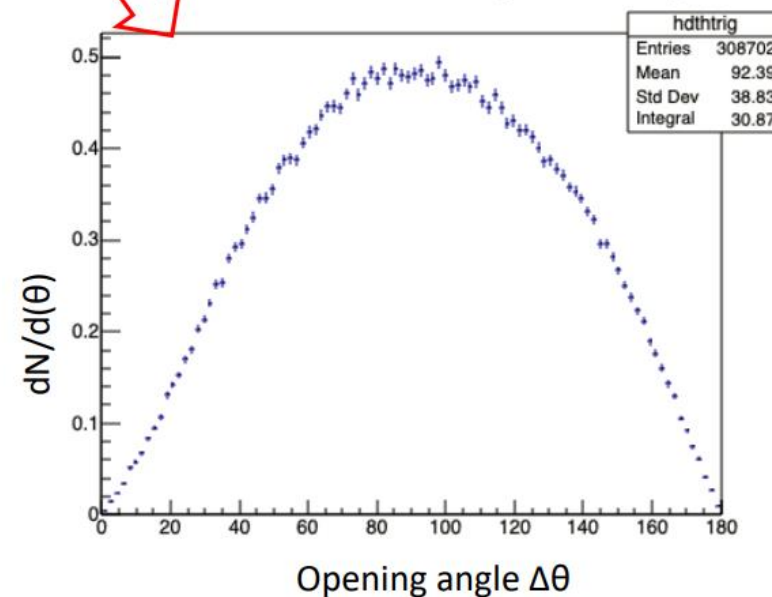
Geant4 Simulation: Acceptances



ATOMKI geometry



Montreal geometry



X17

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The anomaly

Overview

Experiment

TPX3 triangle

Tracks

Vertexing

Angles

Detector

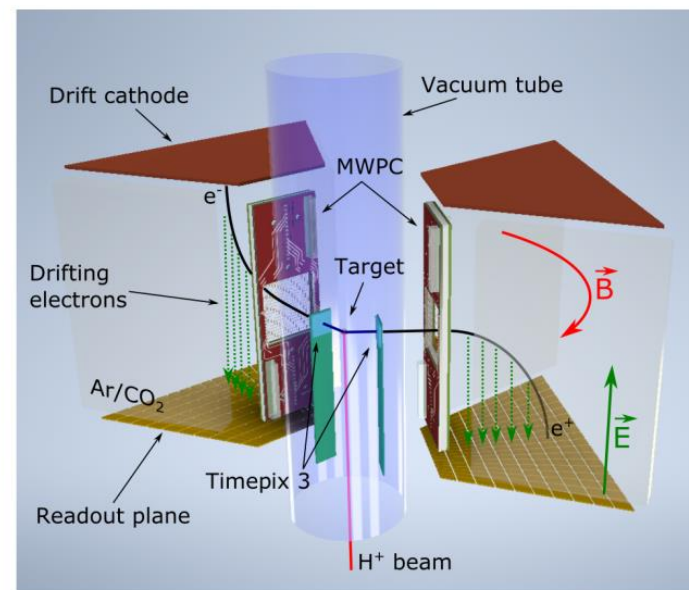
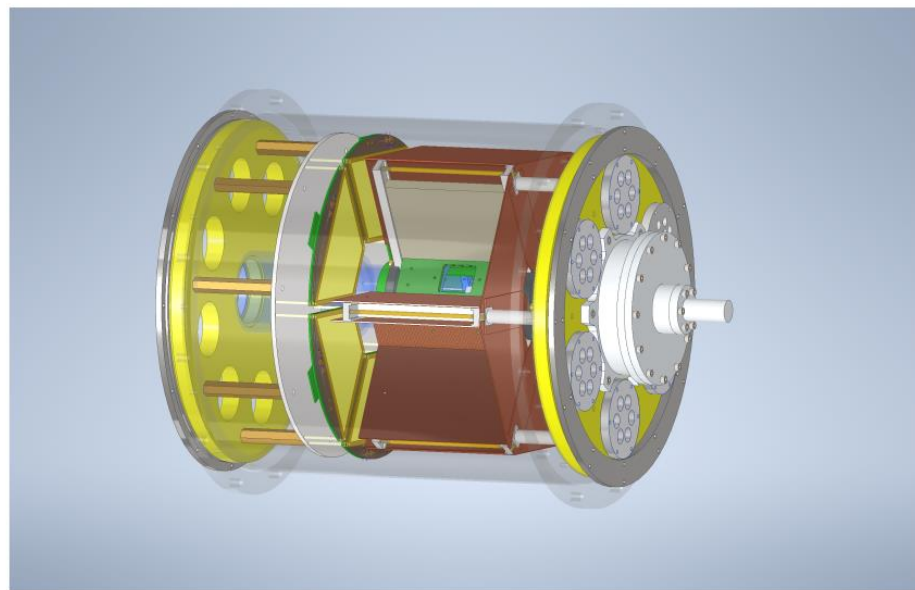
TPX3 hexagon

MWPC

TPC

Final

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Completion of setup built in ATOMKI

- Three layers of detectors:
 - Timepix3 (angle measurement),
 - Multiwire Proportional Counter (angle and scattering measurement),
 - Time projection Chamber (energy measurement and particle Id)
- Azimuthal angle divided in sextants,
- Toroidal B-field with permanent magnets,
- State of the art TPC readout.

Status of the assembly of the full detector

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TPX3 triangle

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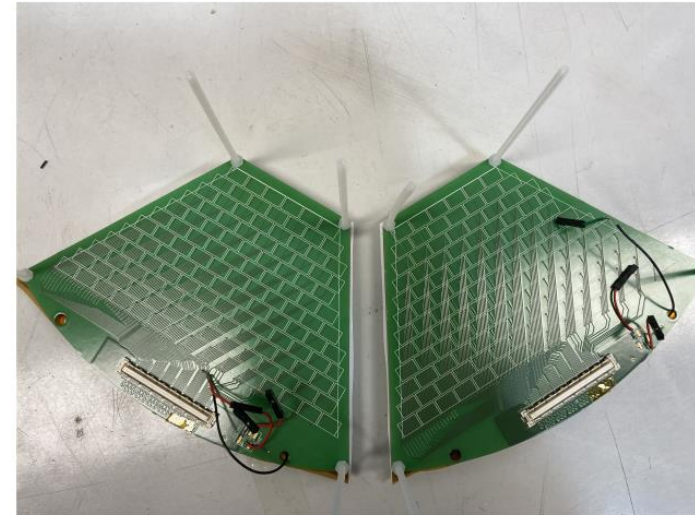
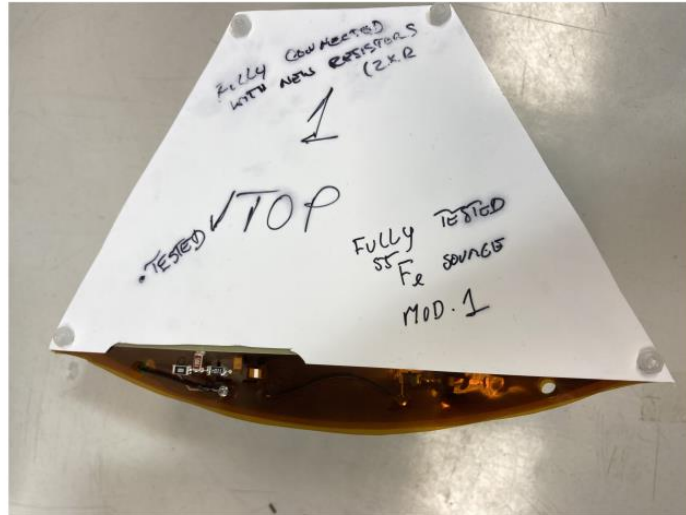
Detector

- TPX3 hexagon
- MWPC

TPC

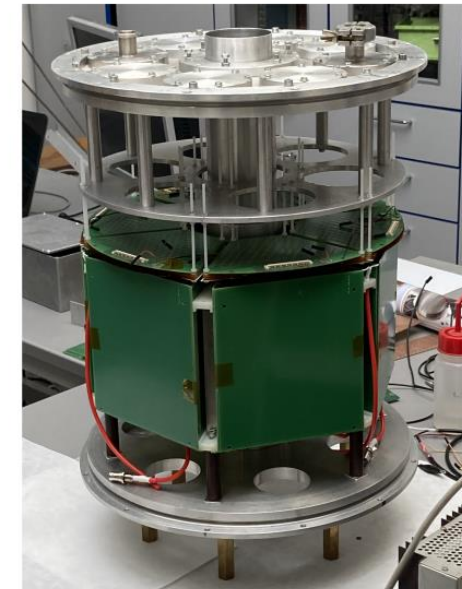
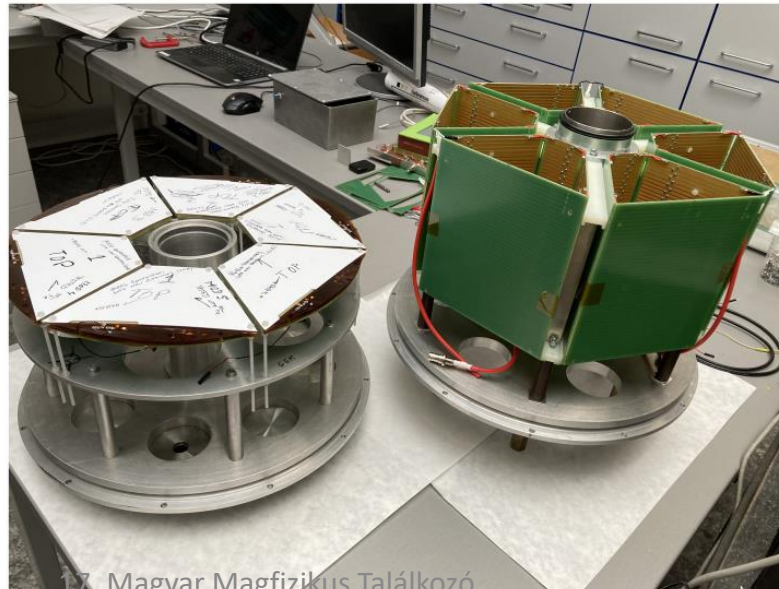
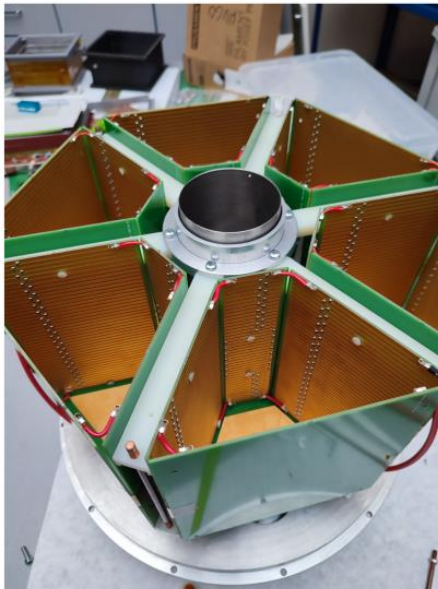
Final

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Triple GEM stack.

Readout with SAMPA chip, developed by USP for ALICE



Searching for X17 anomaly at experiment



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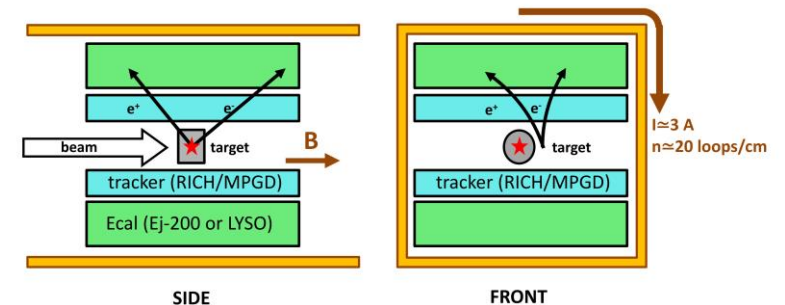


Theoretical group

Detector R&D

Working group (in evolution)

DETETCOR Conceptual design



High intensity neutron beam $0 < E_n [\text{MeV}] < 3$
 High density target $\rho = 10^{21} \text{ atoms/cm}^3$
 Tracking (vertex and Pairs aperture angle energy)
 4-momenta

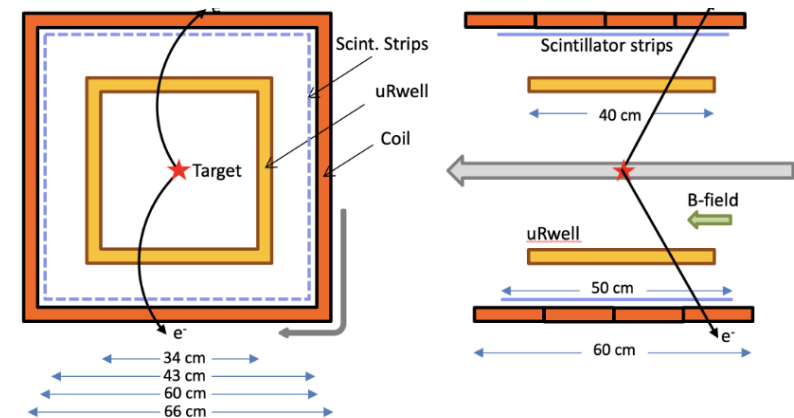


Figure 10. Setup for the study of the ${}^3\text{He}(n, e^+ e^-){}^4\text{He}$. It consists of 4 large μRwells , surrounded by an array of scintillating bars. The detectors are inside a coil with a squared section, providing a magnetic field up to 500 Gauss. See text.

C.Gustavino, Shedding light on X17 boson, Centro Ricerche E. Fermi, 6-8 september 2021, Rome, Italy

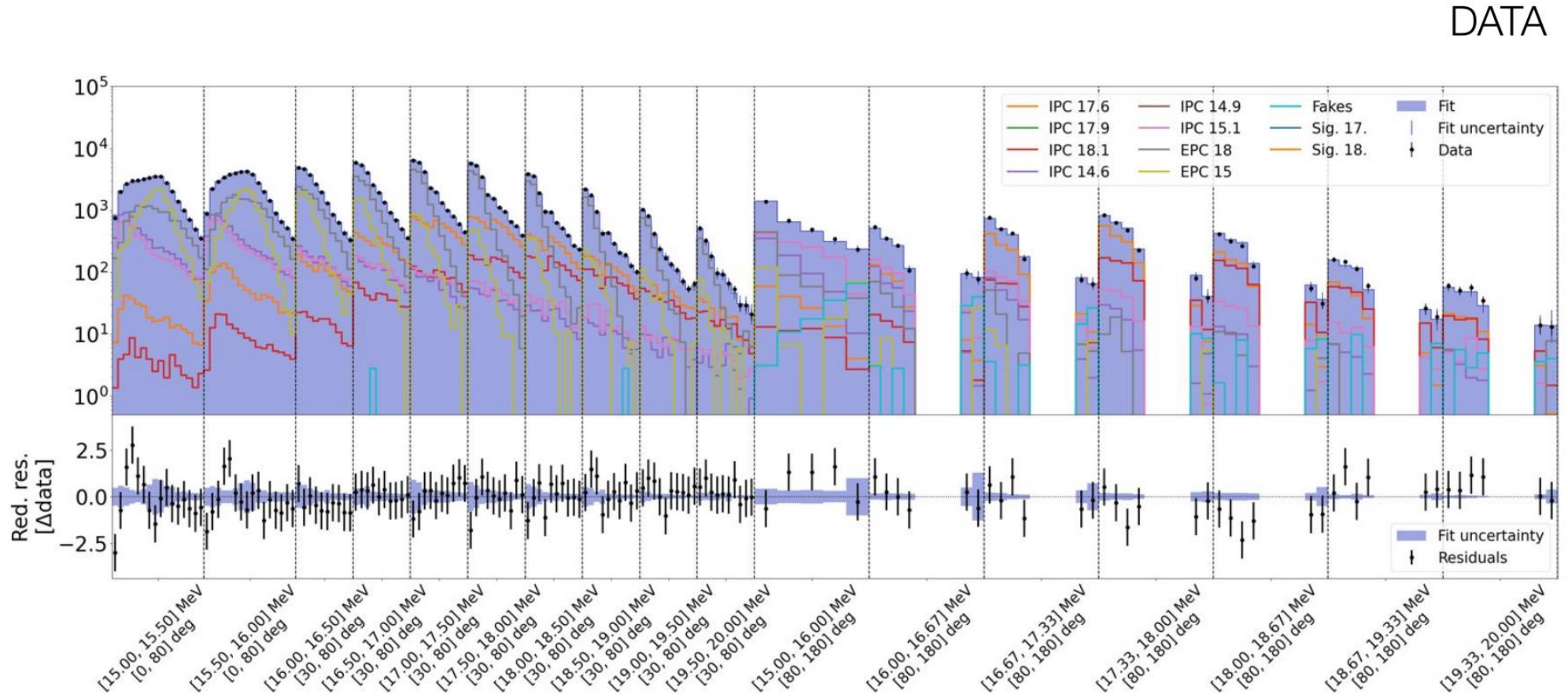
Workshop at 1 GeV Scale: From mesons to axions, Cracow

- Probing light dark particles with η and η' decays Sergi Gonzalez-Solis
- An update of the X17 particle Attila Krasznahorkay
- New light particle searches with **PADME** Kalina Dimitrova
- Search for Hidden Sector New Particles in the 3-60 MeV Mass Range:
Focusing on the Hypothetical X17 Particle William Briscoe
- Storage ring as an ALP antenna - an experimental proof of principle Aleksandra Wrońska
- Search for Dark Photons by the HPS experiment at Jefferson Lab Alessandra Filippi
- Searching for WIMP and axion dark matter with DEAP-3600 Marcin Kuźniak
- Searches for cold dark matter particles in the DarkSide experiment Grzegorz Zuzel
- The GLUEX **JLab Eta Factory** (JEF) Experiment at JLAB Hall D William Briscoe
- Recent results from the GlueX collaboration Yannick Wunderlich
- Light mesons and axions at **BESIII** Andrzej Kupsc
- Anomalous interactions for mesons with $J=1,2$ and glueballs Francesco Giacosa
- The REDTOP experiment: **a η/η' factory** to explore dark matter and physics beyond the Standard Model Marcin Zieliński
- Exclusive analysis of the $pp \rightarrow ppKK$ reaction with HADES detector Valentin Kladov
- Exclusive production of **eta meson** in proton-proton collisions at **FAIR** energies Piotr Lebiedowicz
- Search for X17 in the $\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ decay at $pp@4.5$ GeV with **HADES** Krzysztof Prościński
- Exclusive production of η and ω in $pp@4.5$ GeV with **HADES** Szymon Trelinski
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Thank you very much for your kind attention.

X17 analysis: A bit more on the sidebands

- Best US+DS fit with all MC statistics
- Side bands reproduced
- Sample of **17.6 MeV** [79.2%] and **18.1 MeV** [20.8%]



The NA64 experiment at CERN

- The main aim of the [NA64 experiment](#) is to search for unknown particles from a hypothetical “dark sector”. These particles could be dark photons, which would carry a new force between visible matter and [dark matter](#), in addition to gravity, or they could make up dark matter themselves.
- For these searches, NA64 directs an electron beam of 100–150 GeV energy from the [Super Proton Synchrotron](#) (SPS) onto a fixed target. Researchers then look for unknown dark-sector particles produced by collisions between the SPS beam’s electrons and the target’s atomic nuclei. The search can either be done by looking for ordinary particles, such as electrons, into which the new particles would decay, or for the “missing” collision energy the dark-sector particles would carry away.
- NA64 also searches for axions and axion-like particles that could explain the puzzling symmetry properties of the strong force or serve as a mediator of a new force. The experiment looks for the production of such particles in interactions between high-energy photons generated by the SPS beam’s electrons in the target and virtual photons from the target’s atomic nuclei.

A NEW EXPERIMENT SEARCHING FOR DARK MATTER AT CERN ...

The ^8Be excess and search for the $X \rightarrow e^+e^-$ decay of a new light boson with NA64

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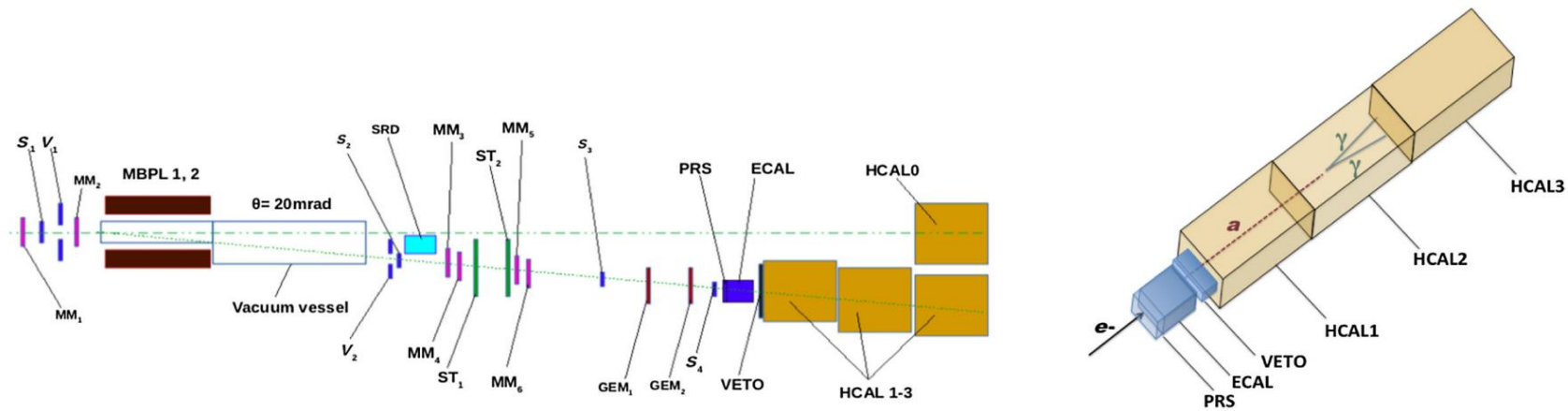


FIG. 1. The left panel illustrates schematic view of the setup to search for the $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decays of the a s produced in the reaction chain $e^-Z \rightarrow e^-Z\gamma$; $\gamma Z \rightarrow aZ$ induced by 100 GeV e^- s in the active ECAL dump. The right panel shows an example of the $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay in the HCAL2 module.

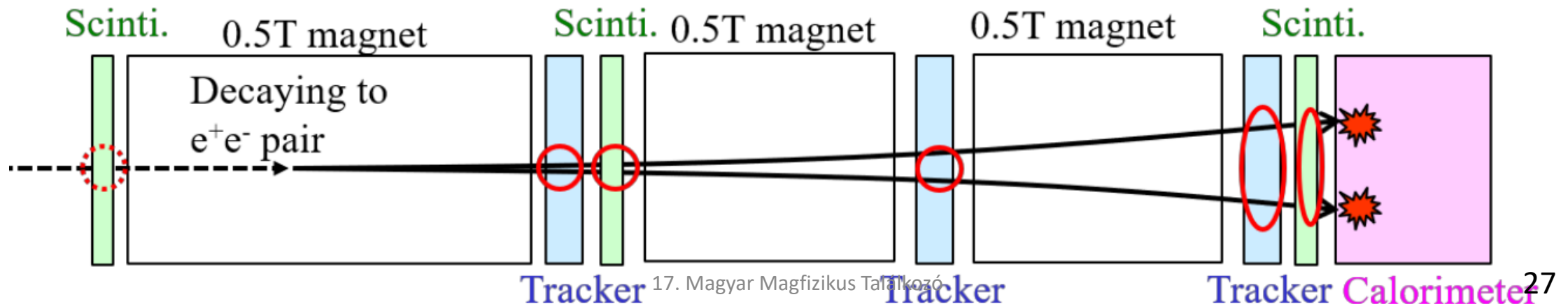
"Search for a hypothetical 16.7 MeV gauge boson and dark photons in the NA64 Experiment at CERN". *Physical Review Letters*. **120** (23): 231802, (2019).

Search for Axionlike and Scalar Particles with the NA64 Experiment, D. Banerjee *et al.* (NA64 Collaboration)

Phys. Rev. Lett. **125**, 081801 – Published 17 August 2020

Forward Search Experiment

- FASER* ([Forward Search Experiment](#)), CERN's newest experiment, is now in place in the LHC tunnel, only two years after its approval by CERN's Research Board in March 2019. FASER is designed to study the interactions of high-energy neutrinos and search for new, as-yet-undiscovered light and weakly interacting particles. Such particles are dominantly produced along the beam collision axis and may be long-lived particles, travelling hundreds of metres before decaying. The existence of such new particles is predicted by many models beyond the Standard Model that attempt to solve some of the biggest puzzles in physics, such as the nature of [dark matter](#) and the origin of [neutrino](#) masses.
- FASER is located along the beam collision axis, 480 m from the ATLAS interaction point, in an unused service tunnel that formerly connected the SPS to the LEP collider – an optimal position for detecting the particles into which light and weakly interacting



Search for K^+ decays into the $\pi^+e^+e^-e^+e^-$ final state

NA62 collaboration, *Phys.Lett.B* 846 (2023) 138193

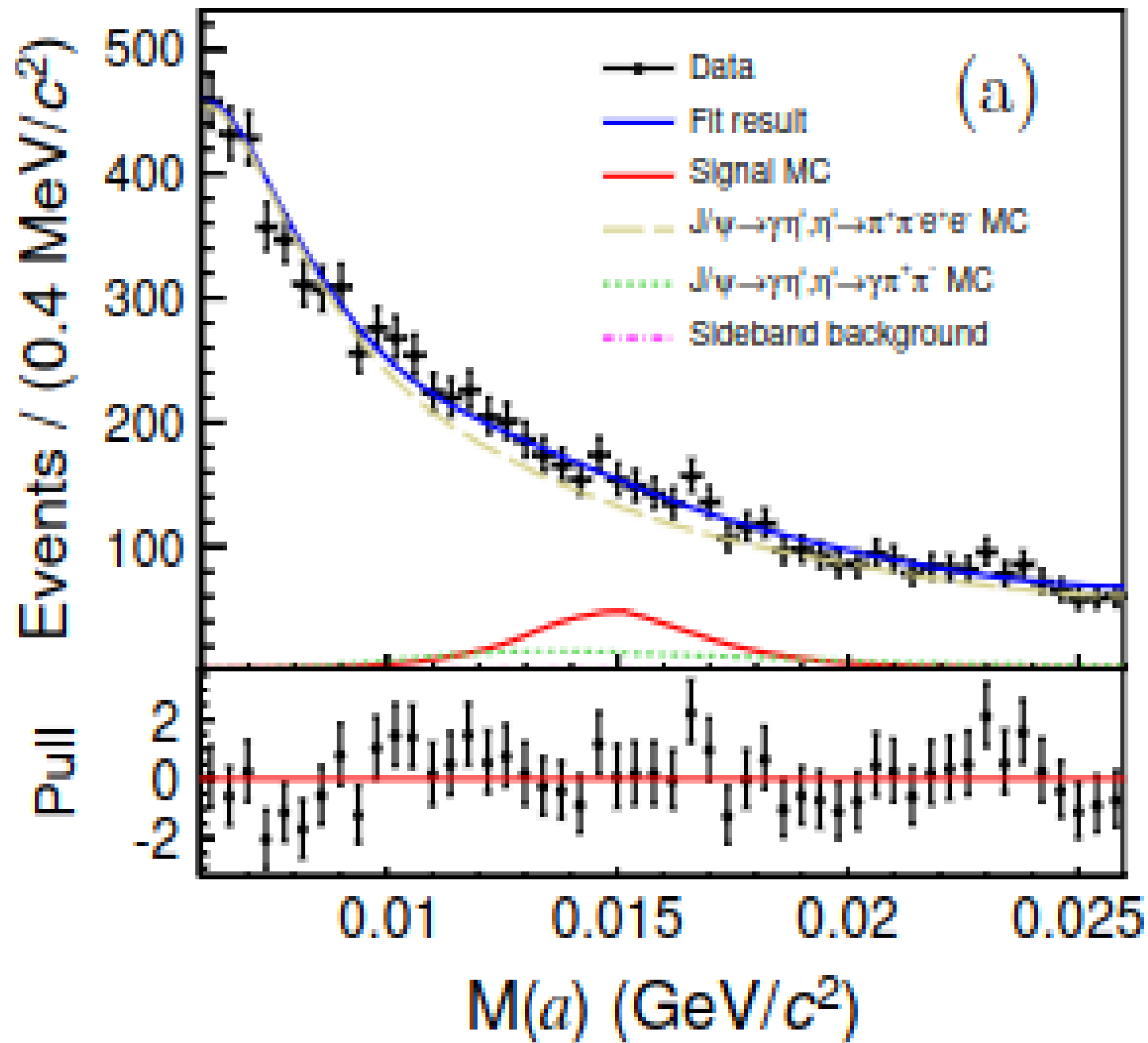
- Assuming an axion mass of 17 MeV/, lower bounds of $>2E-8$ is predicted, allowing a test of the [QCD](#) axion explanation for the 17 MeV anomaly. \rightarrow
- Upper limits at 90% CL are obtained at the level of $1E-9$ for the branching ratios of two prompt decay chains.
- \rightarrow QCD axion is ruled out

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Study of $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- l^+ l^-$ decays at BESIII

The logo for BESIII consists of the letters 'B', 'E', 'S', and 'III' in a stylized font. The 'B' is blue, the 'E' is red, the 'S' is green, and the 'III' is black.

The BESIII collaboration



A plan for a super η factory at Huizhou accelerator complex

[arXiv:2407.00874](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.00874)

SEARCHING FOR THE X17 USING MAGNETIC SEPARATION



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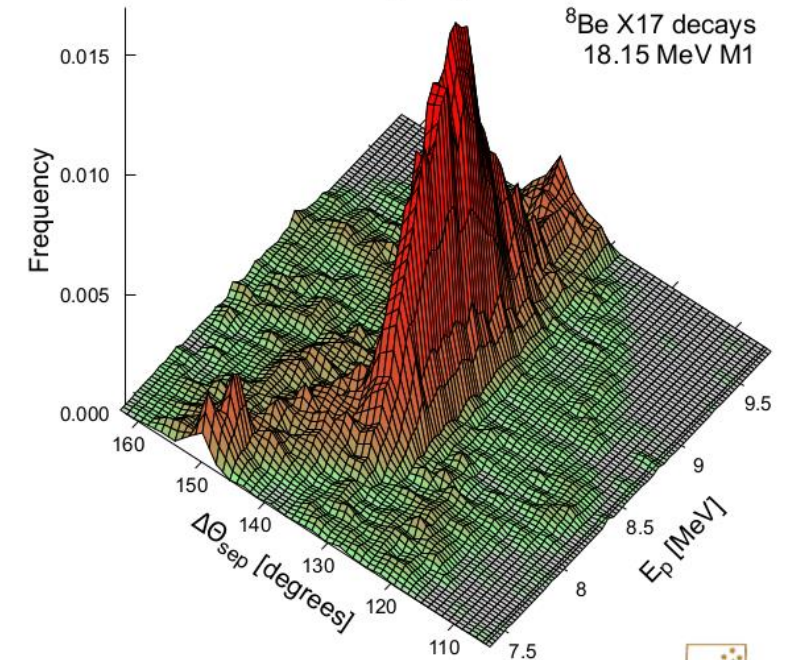
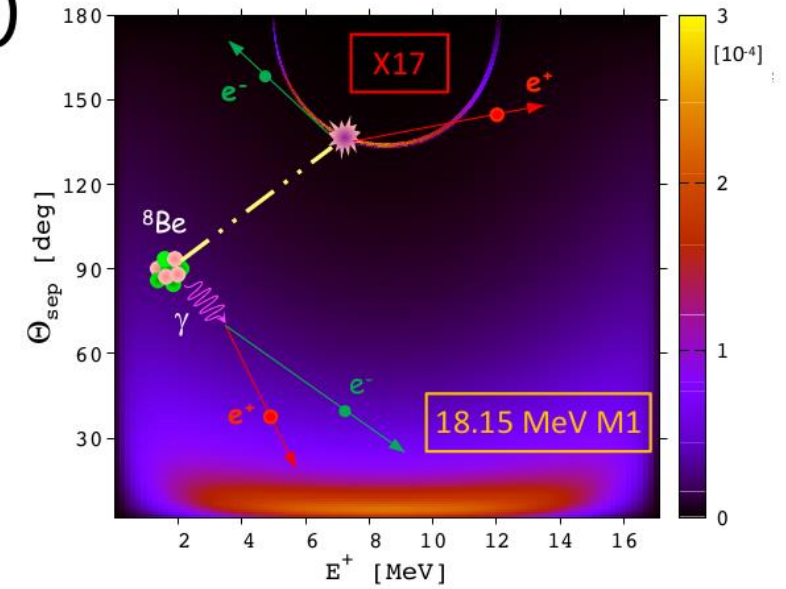
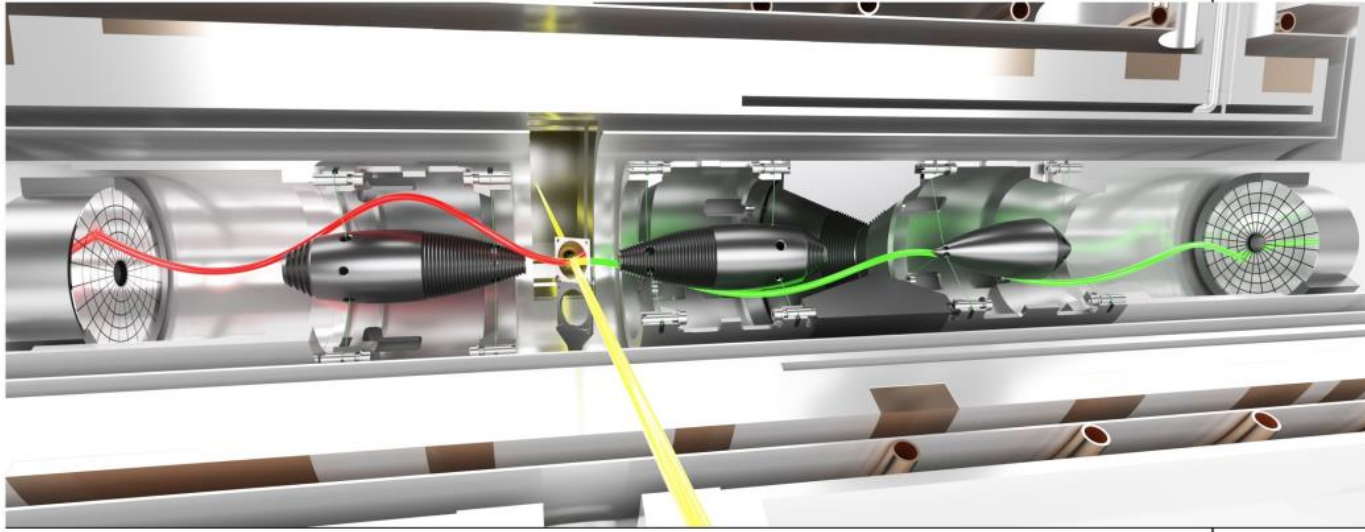


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PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

Searching for X17 in ${}^7\text{Li}(p,\gamma\pi){}^8\text{Be}^*$ - Super-X (ANU)

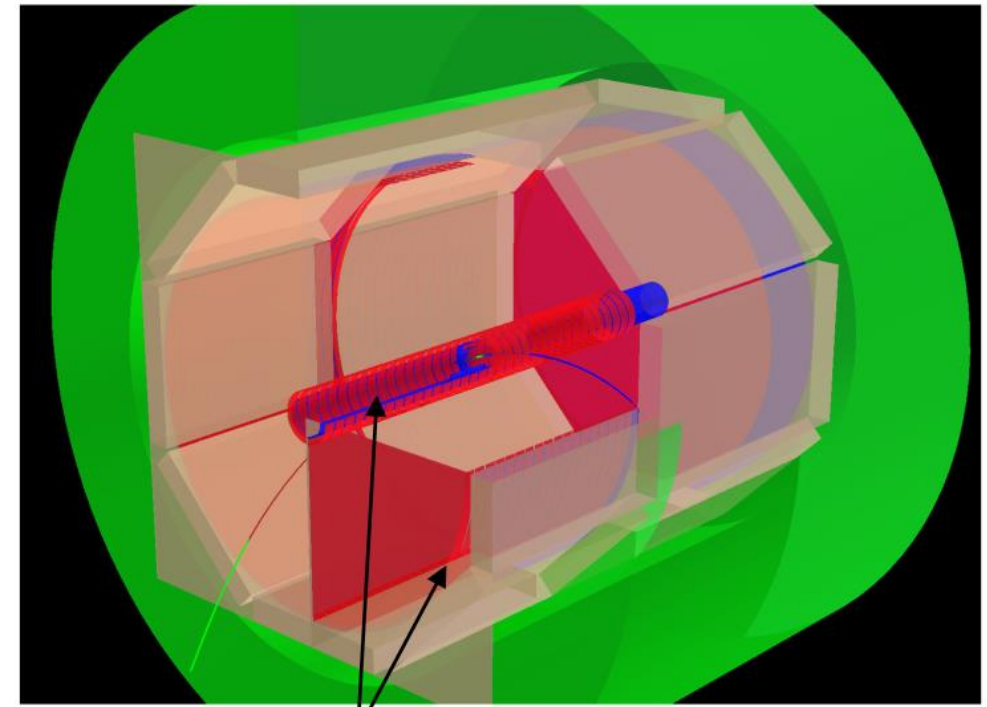
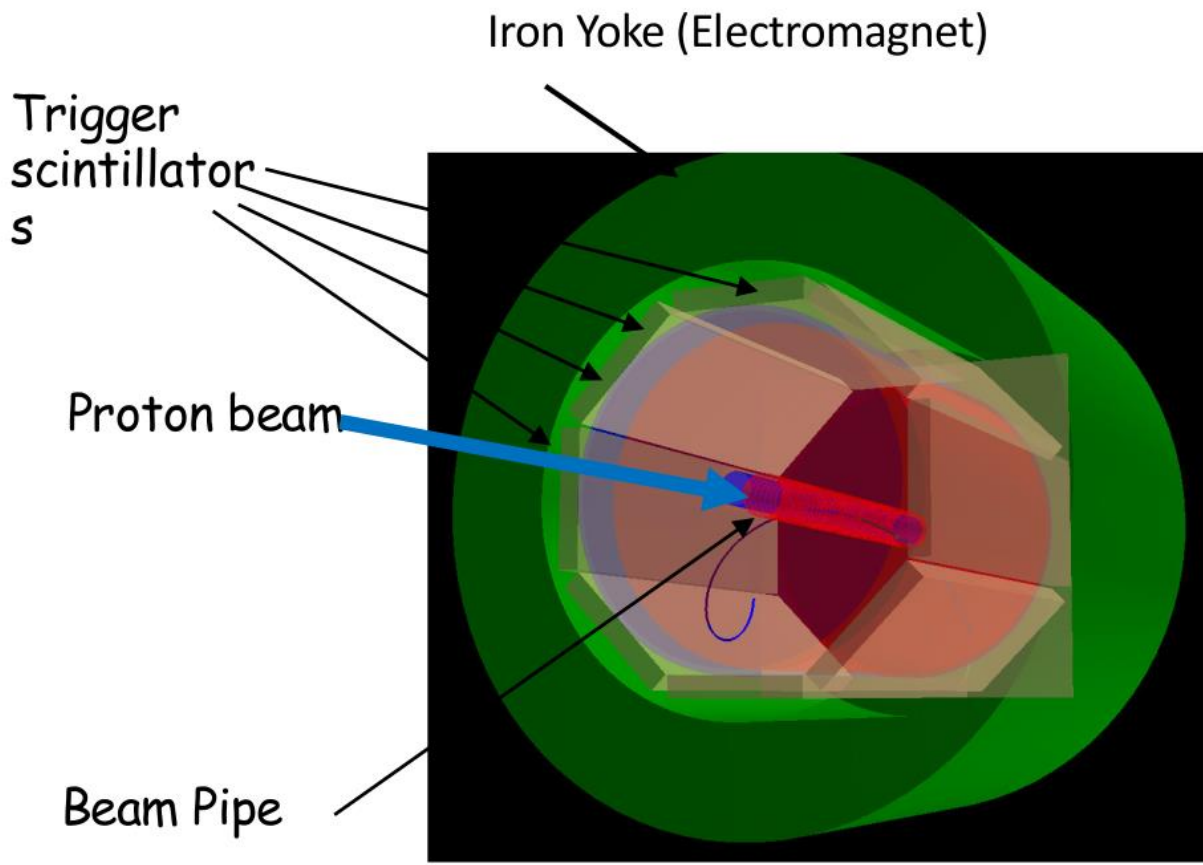


- ❑ Twin lens system to accept e^+e^- $110^\circ < \Theta_{sep} < 180^\circ$
- ❑ Three double sided DSSD to reconstruct trajectories; $\Delta\Theta_{sep} \sim 6^\circ$
- ❑ NaI energy detectors; Si(Li) or hpGe bremsstrahlung?
- ❑ 14 UD & energy degrader foil to run at 1.03 MeV resonance energy



Time Projection Chamber to be installed on 5 MV Pelletron

Univ. Melbourne, details available at Sevier et al. [arXiv:2302.13281](https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.13281))



- ❑ 34 cm diam solenoid, up to 0.4 Tesla
- ❑ 35 cm long active volume He (90%) / CO₂ (10%)

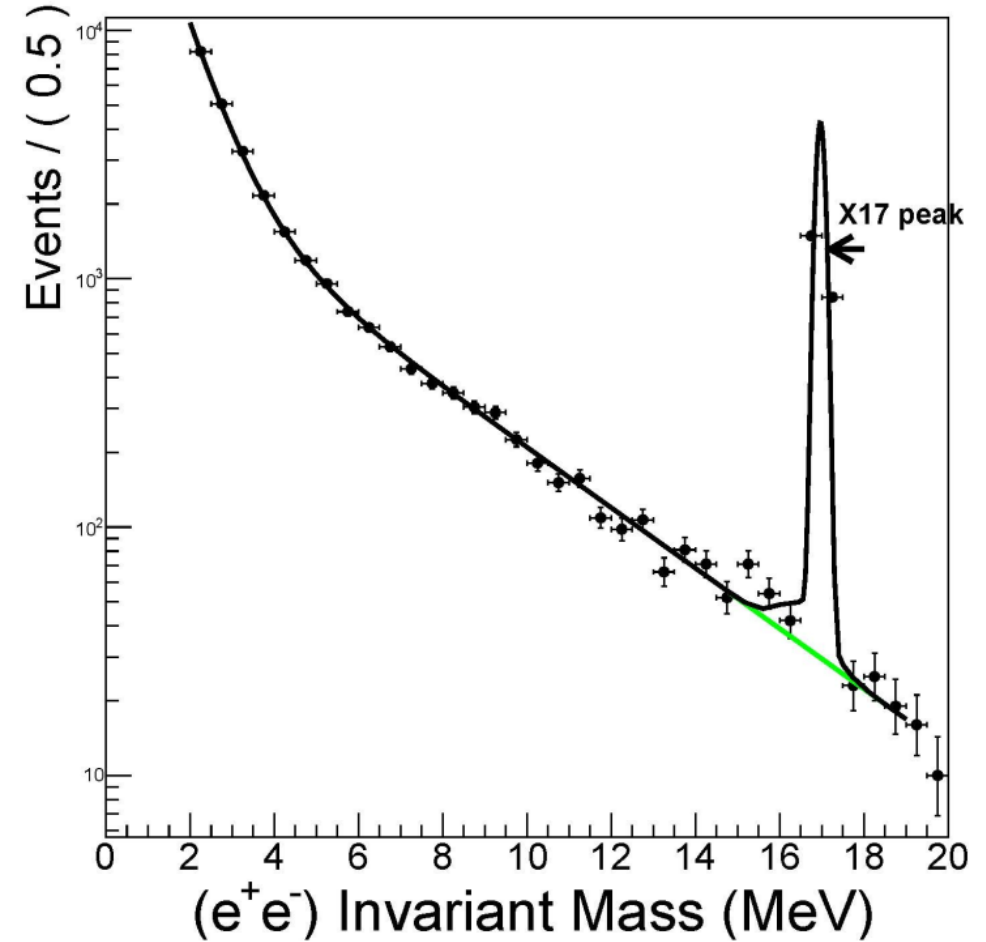
Electric Field Cage



Expected performance of the TPC

- ❑ Design based on extensive simulations (Geant4, COMSOL, GARFIELD, ROOT, GenFit)
- ❑ Full simulation and reconstruction of IPC+X17 with 50 μm Mylar vacuum wall
- ❑ 4 Day run on Pelletron. $2\mu\text{A}$ proton beam, $2 \times 10^{19} / \text{cm}^2$ ^7Li target
- ❑ Quantify sensitivity as a function of BR relative to $p + ^7\text{Li} \rightarrow ^8\text{Be} + \gamma$
- ❑ ATOMKI found X17 with BR $\sim 6 \times 10^{-6}$ $^7\text{Li}(p, \gamma)$ at 6σ

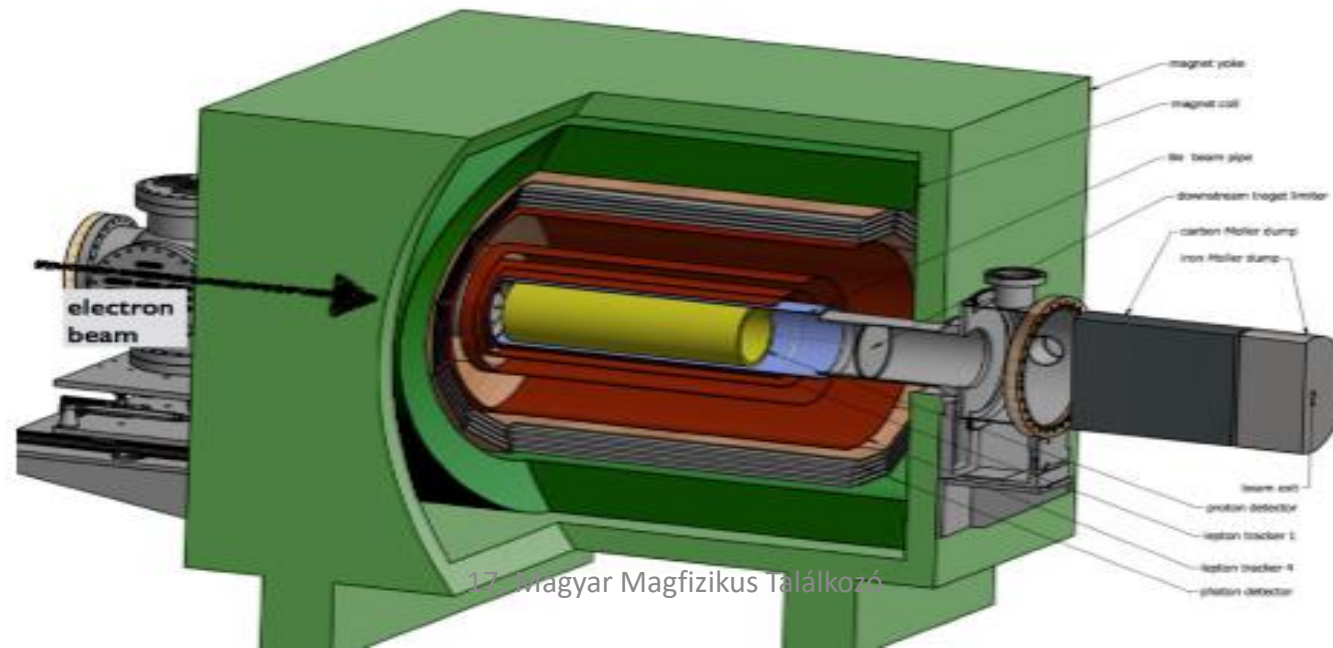
IPC + X17 Log plot



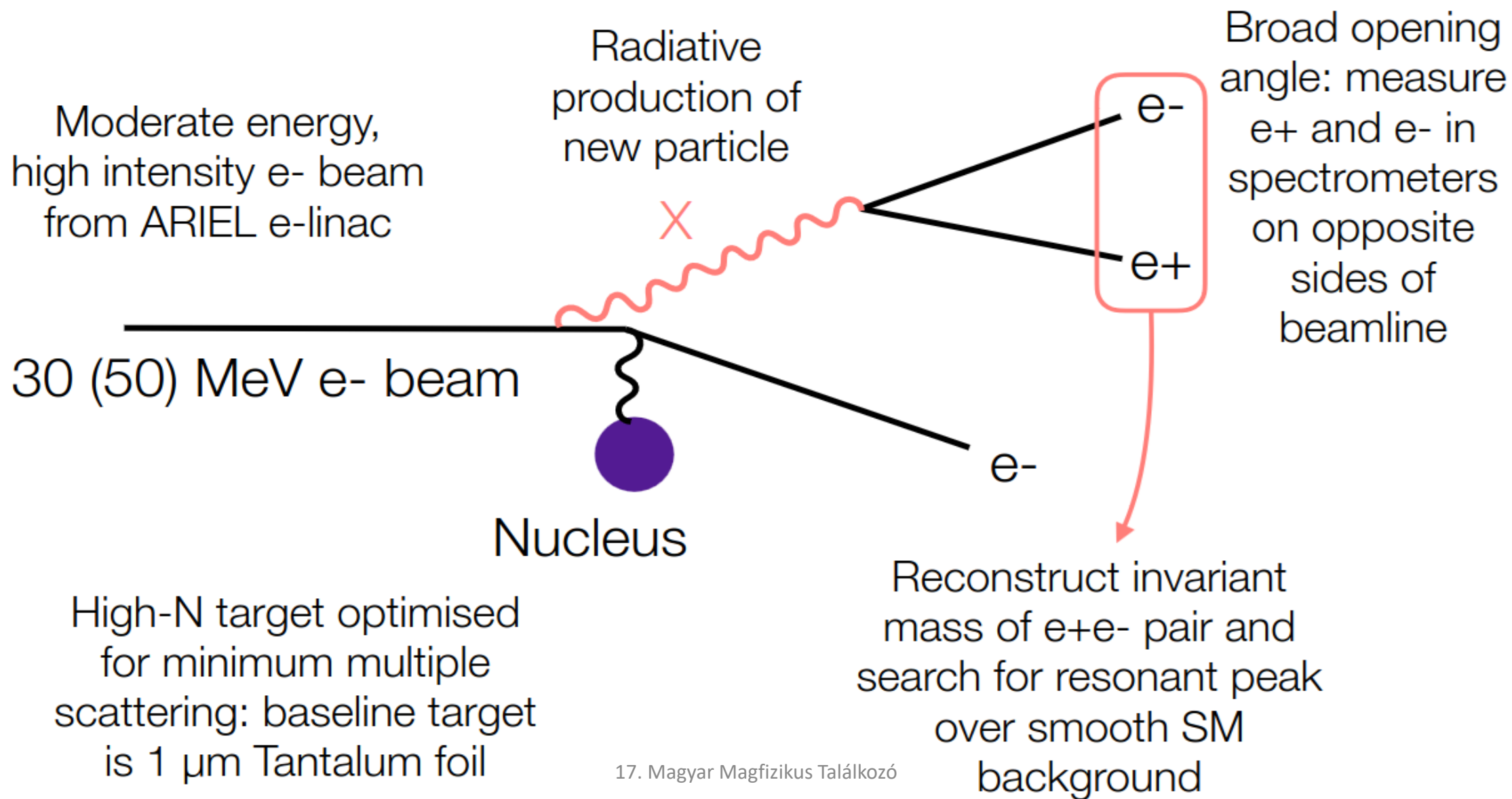
X17 BR = 6×10^{-6} $^7\text{Li}(p, \gamma)$
2300(48) events
50 σ significance

The **DarkLight** experiment at JLAB

- The DarkLight experiment proposes to search for dark photon through complete reconstruction of the final states of electron–proton collisions. In order to accomplish this, the experiment requires a moderate-density target and a very high intensity, low energy electron beam.



The DarkLight @ ARIEL experiment



Collaboration

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Hampton University, Hampton, VA, USA

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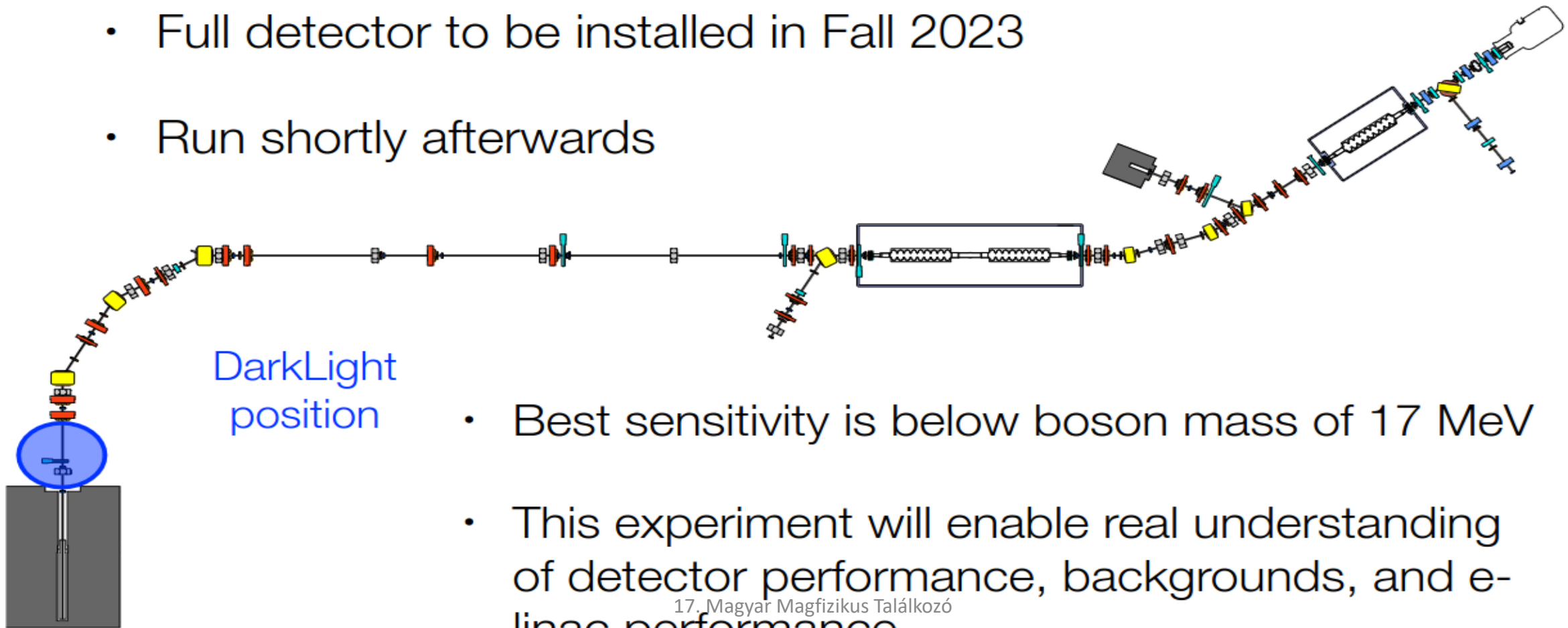
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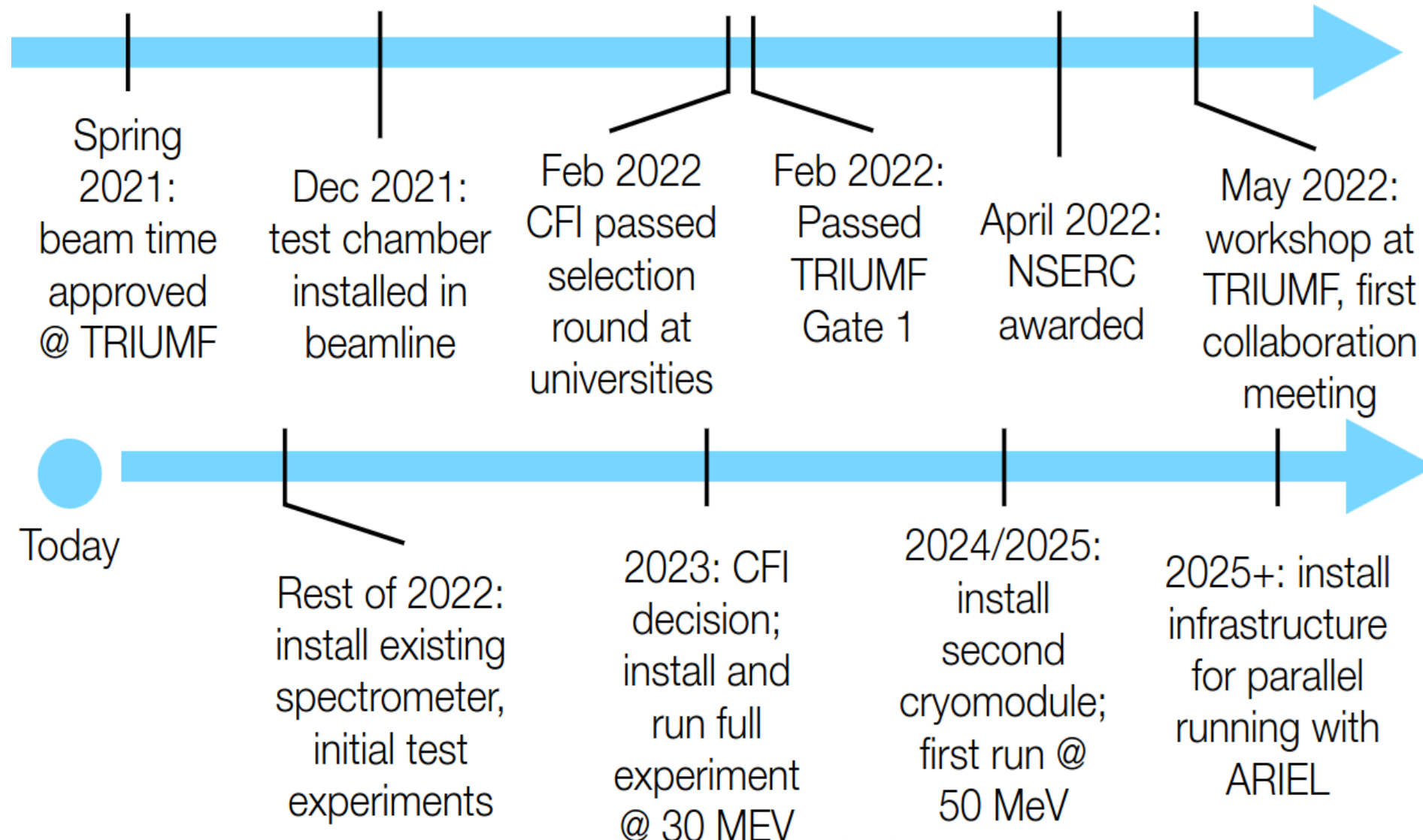
30 MeV running with current ARIEL e-linac

- First experimental stage is a full run (18 fb^{-1}) at 30 MeV
 - Full detector to be installed in Fall 2023
 - Run shortly afterwards



- Best sensitivity is below boson mass of 17 MeV
- This experiment will enable real understanding of detector performance, backgrounds, and e-linac performance

Timeline and milestones



Searching for new light gauge bosons at colliders

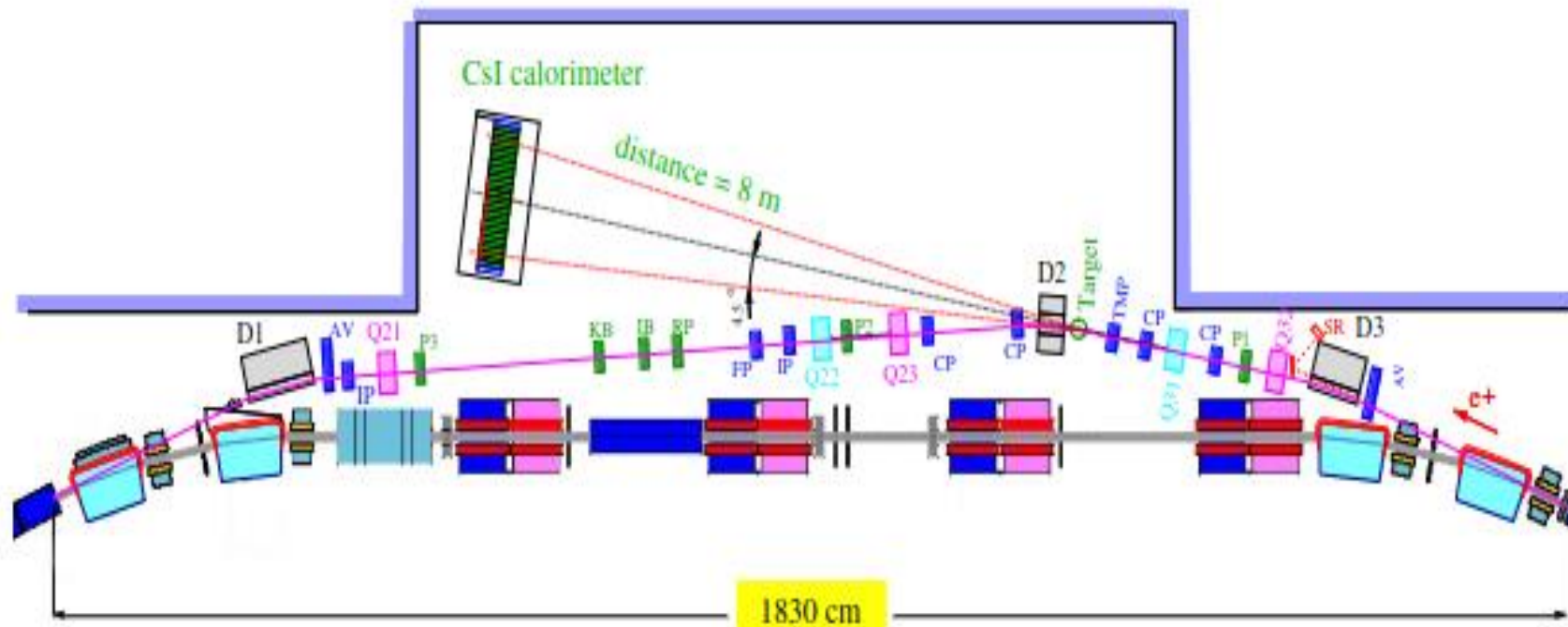
I. Alikhanov and E. A. Paschos

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The standard processes and that lead to the same signal are considered. The case with a light scalar boson is also discussed. The calculations are performed at 10 GeV in detail and can be useful for additional studies.

Searching for a dark photon: Project of the experiment at VEPP-3

- The VEPP-3 electron-positron storage ring
- The VEPP-3 storage ring (perimeter: 74.4 m, injection energy: 350 MeV, maximal energy: 2000 MeV) was built in 1967-1971 and modernized in 1986-1987.

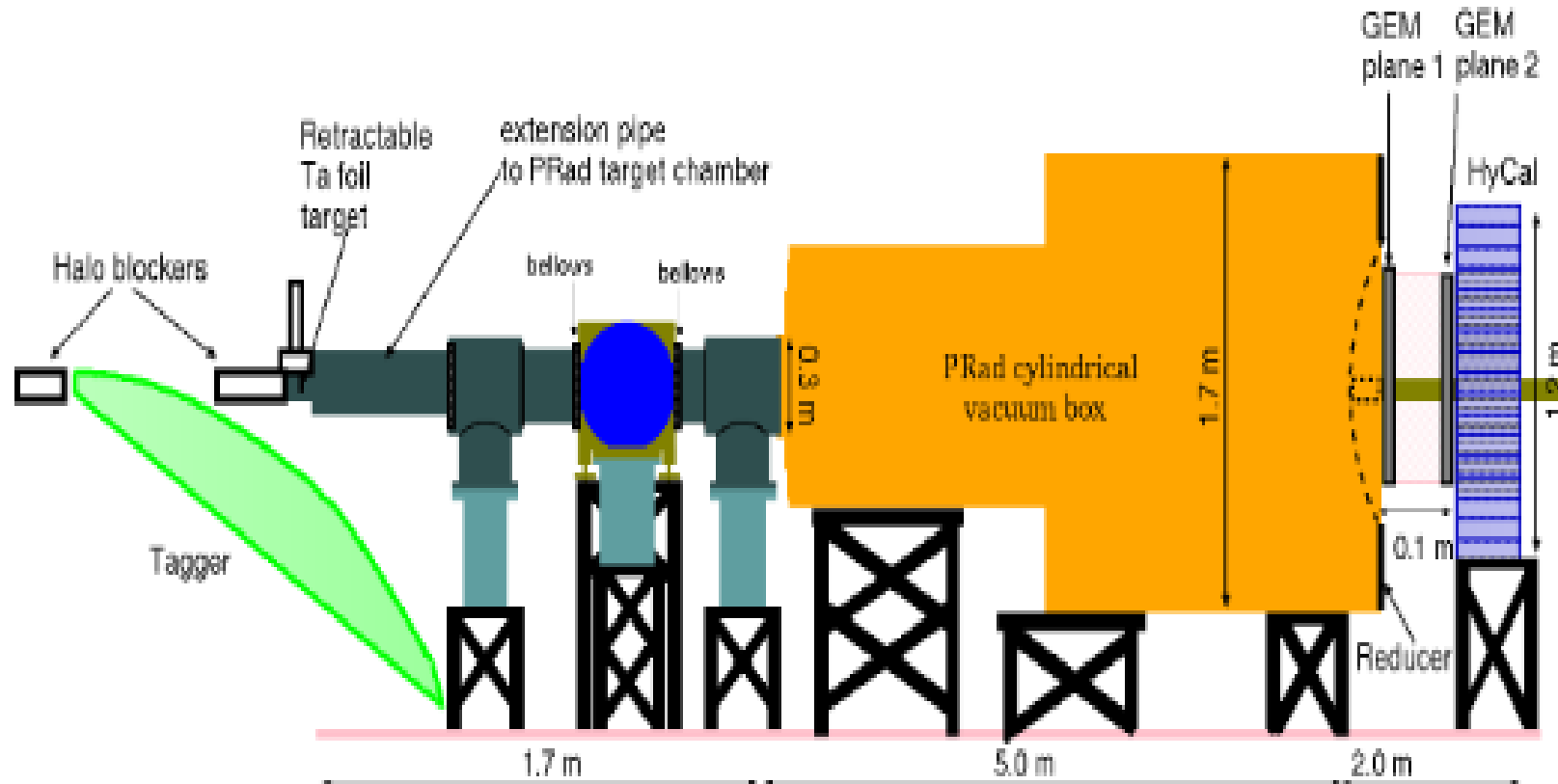


New accelerator in Russia at the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Dubna

- FLAP (Fundamental & applied Linear Accelerator Physics collaboration) devoted to the study of the basics of electromagnetic interactions and new applications of controllable generation of electromagnetic radiation by relativistic electrons using functional materials.

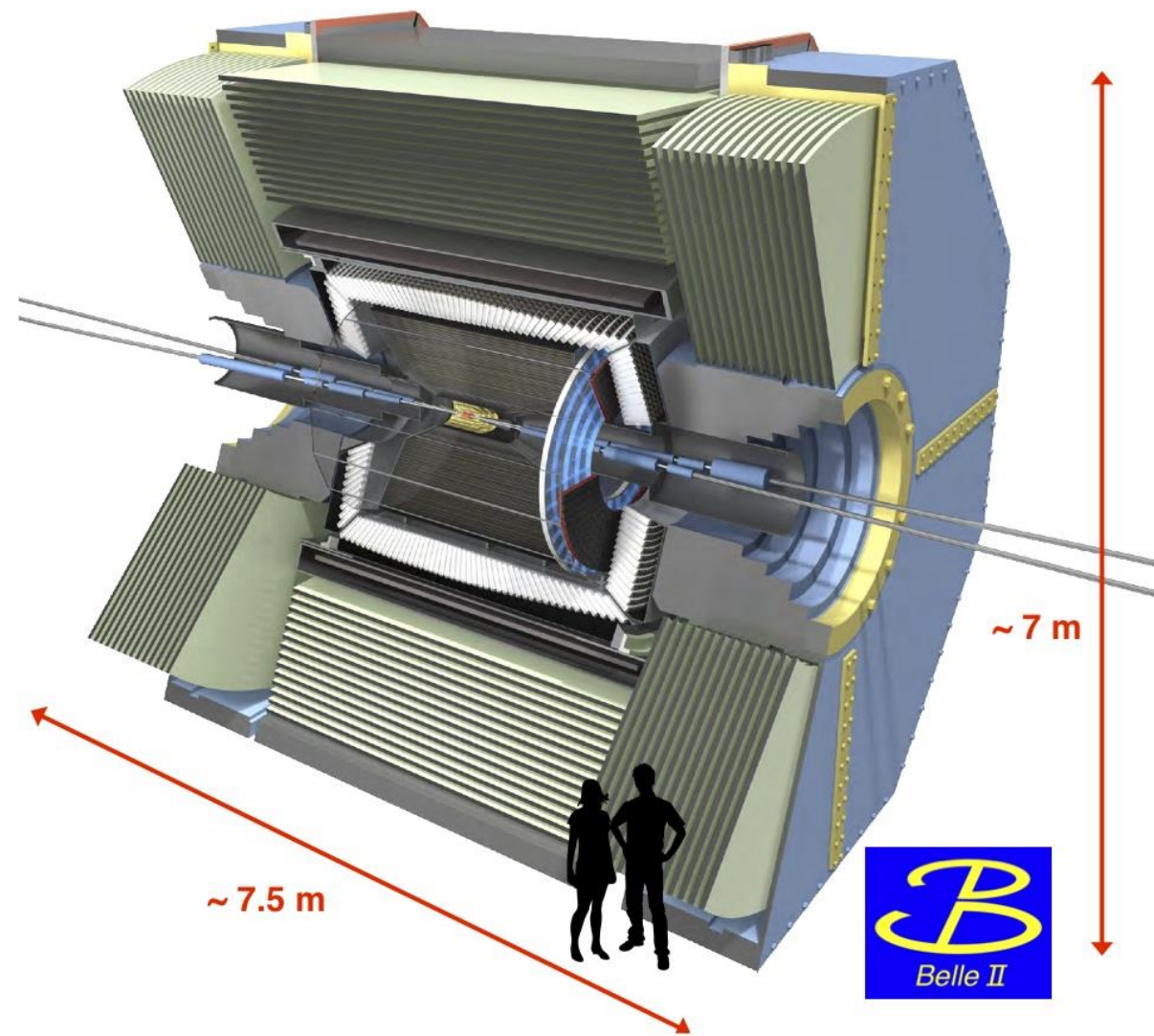
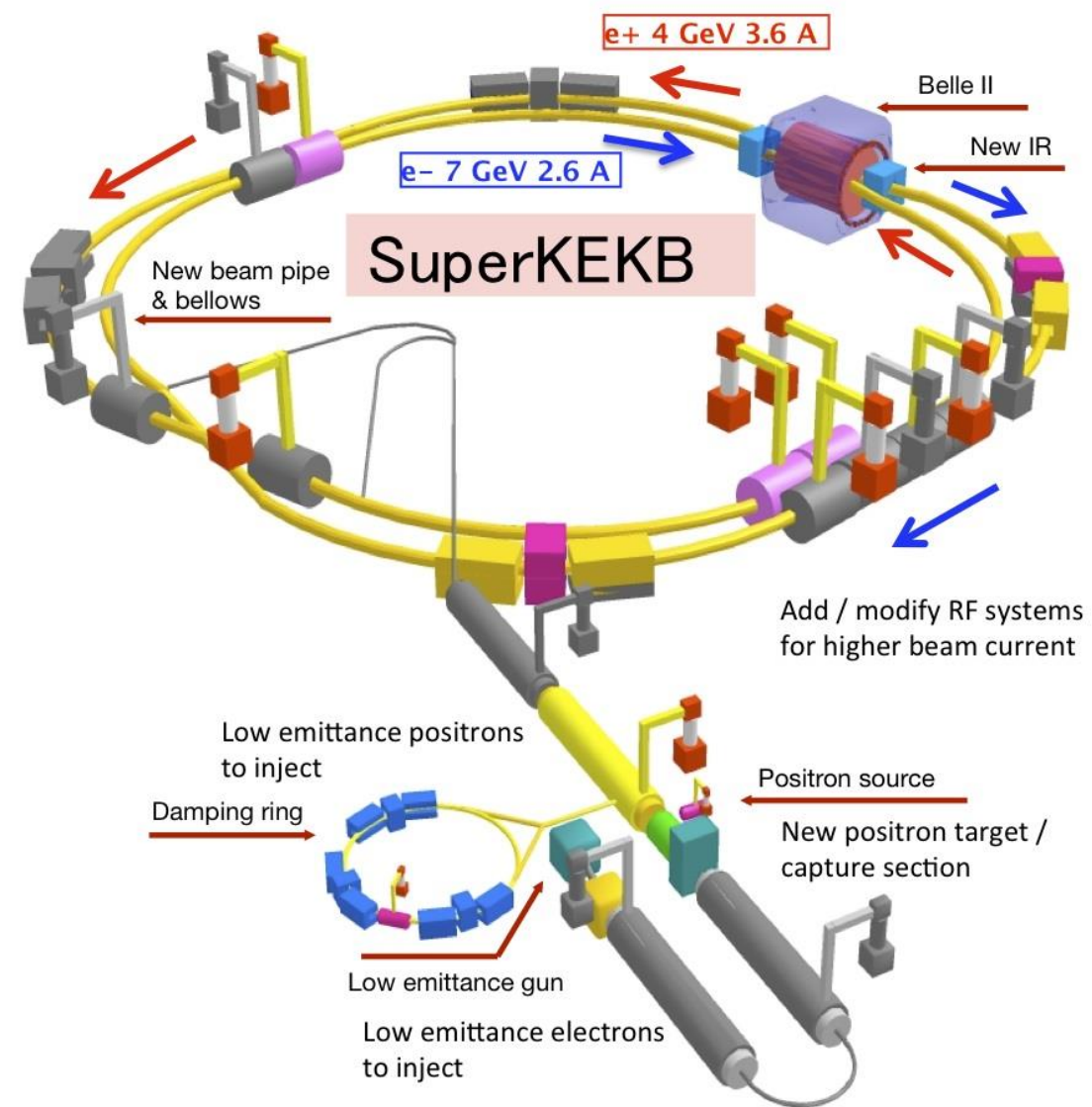
A new direct detection electron scattering experiment to search for the X17 particle.

Experimental Setup (Side View)



Searching for the X(17) in particle decays

- Araki et al, (Phys. Rev. D 95, 055006 (2017)) discussed the feasibility of detecting the gauge boson of the U(1) symmetry, which possesses a mass in the range between MeV and GeV, at the **Belle-II experiment**. They have found that the Belle-II experiment with the design luminosity can examine a part of the parameter region that evades the current experimental constraints and, at the same time, is favored by the observation of the muon anomalous magnetic moment.
- Rare leptonic kaon and pion decays $K^+(\pi^+) \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu e^+ e^-$ can also be used to probe a dark photon of mass $O(10)\text{MeV}$. Cheng-Wei Chiang (Physics Letters B 767 (2017) 289) evaluated the reach of future experiments for the dark photon with vectorial couplings to the standard model fermions except for the neutrinos, and show that a great portion of the preferred 16.7-MeV dark photon parameter space can be decisively probed.



REDTOP: Rare Eta Decays To Observe new Physics (experiments at Fermilab)

- REDTOP is a low-energy, fixed-target experiment in its proposal stage. It belongs to the High Intensity class of experiments, as it aims at detecting small variations from the Standard Model by studying a large sample of events produced with an intense beam. REDTOP scientists propose using a 1.8 GeV Continuous Wave (CW) proton beam impinging on a target made with 10 foils of a low-Z material (lithium or beryllium) to produce about 10^{13} η mesons in one year of running. The detector surrounding those targets will attempt to capture the decay products of the η mesons and, in particular, those that are either not expected or are suppressed up to the 10^{-11} level. Read a more detailed discussion of the [physics processes of interest for REDTOP](#).

