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“THE SIDDHARTA-2 EXPERIMENT”

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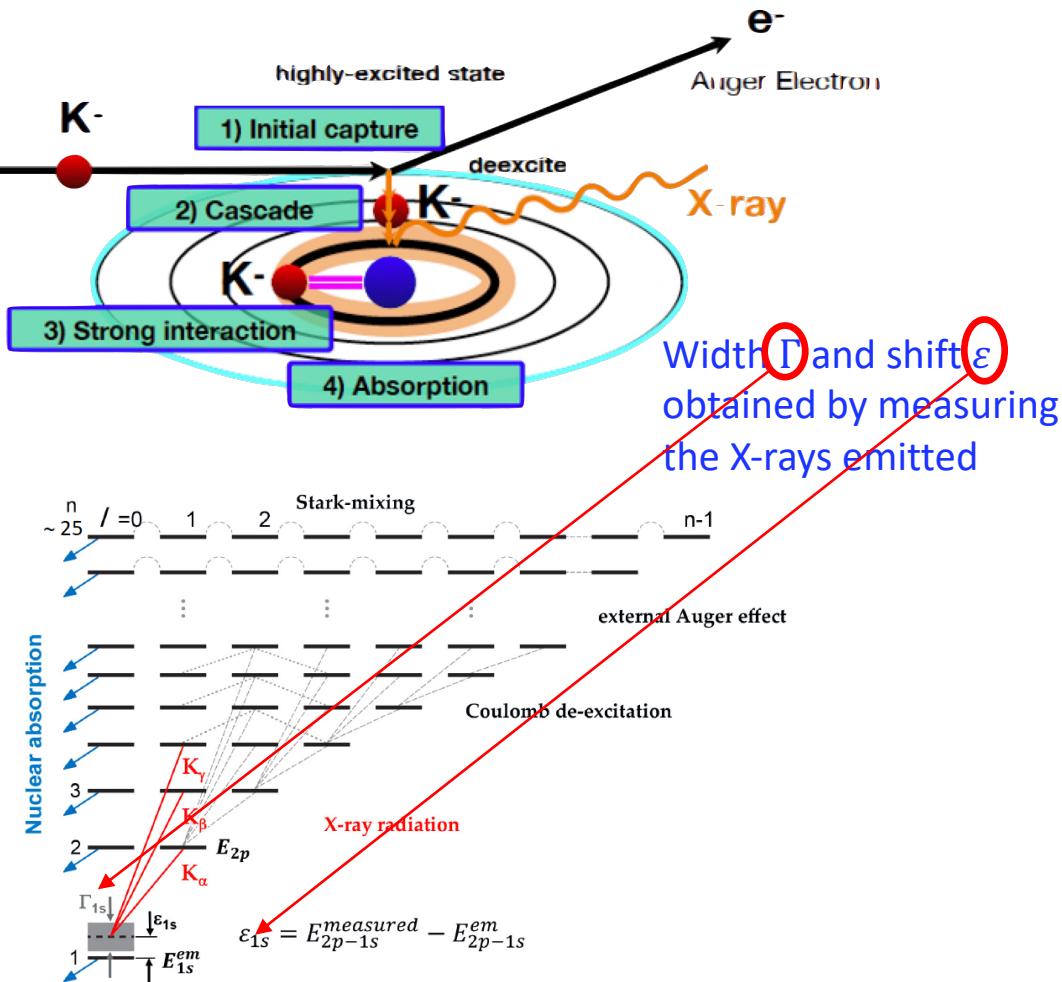
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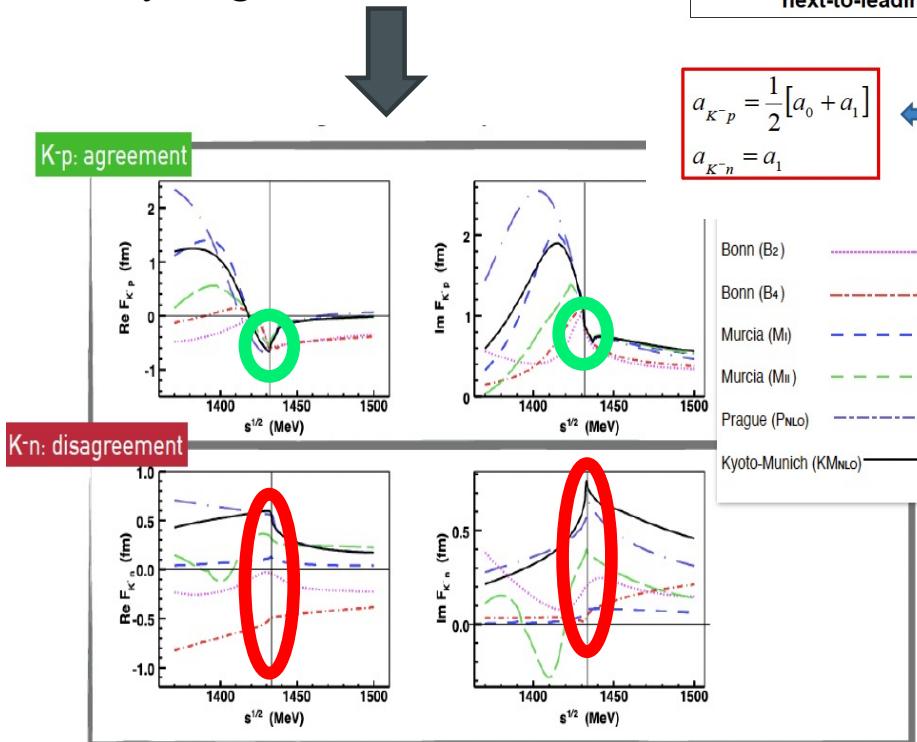


The SIDDHARTA-2 experiment

Scientific goal: *first measurement ever of kaonic deuterium X-ray transition to the ground state (1s-level) such as to determine its shift and width induced by the presence of the strong interaction, providing unique data to investigate the QCD in the non-perturbative regime with strangeness.*



Combined analysis of the
kaonic deuterium and kaonic
hydrogen measurements



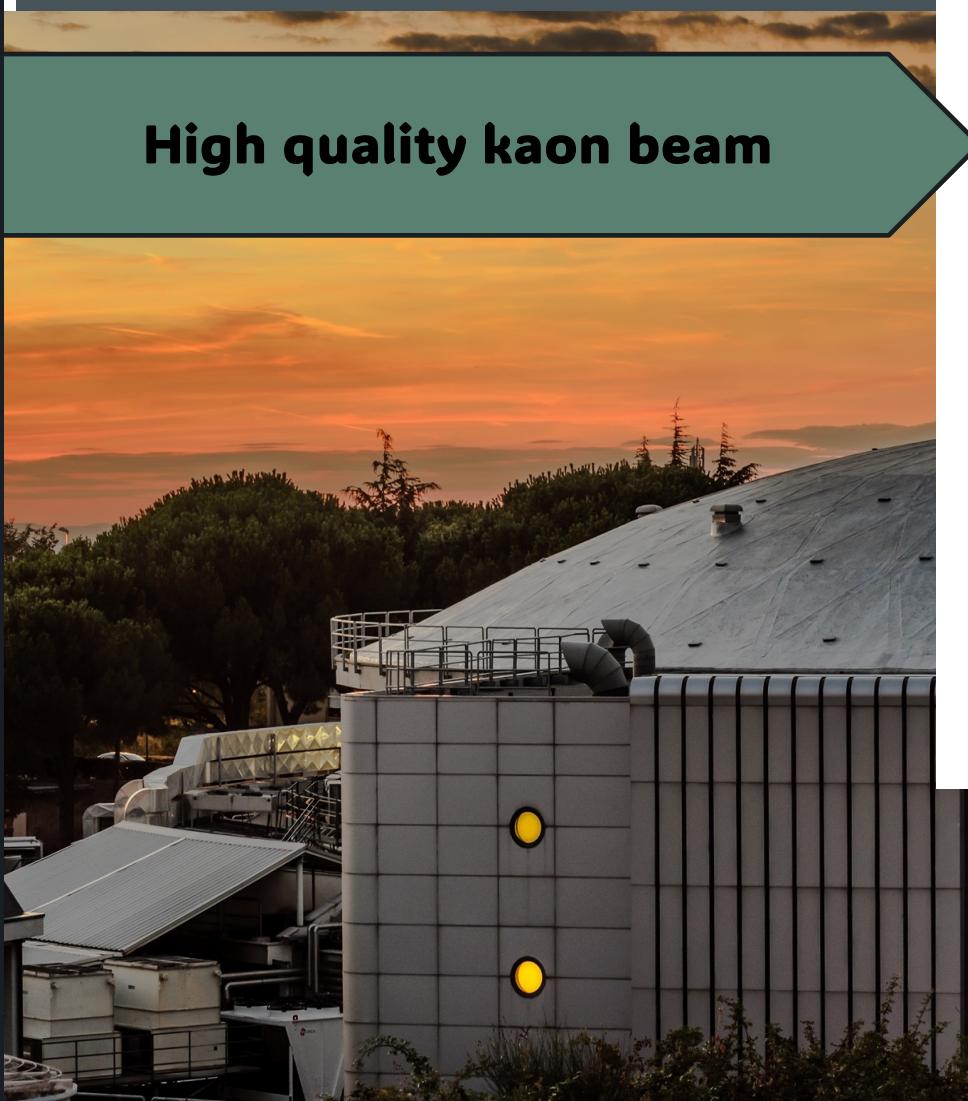
$$\varepsilon_{1s} - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{1s} = -2\alpha^3 \mu_c^2 a_{K^-p} (1 - 2\alpha\mu_c (\ln \alpha - 1) a_{K^-p})$$

(μ_c reduced mass of the K^-p system, α fine-structure constant)

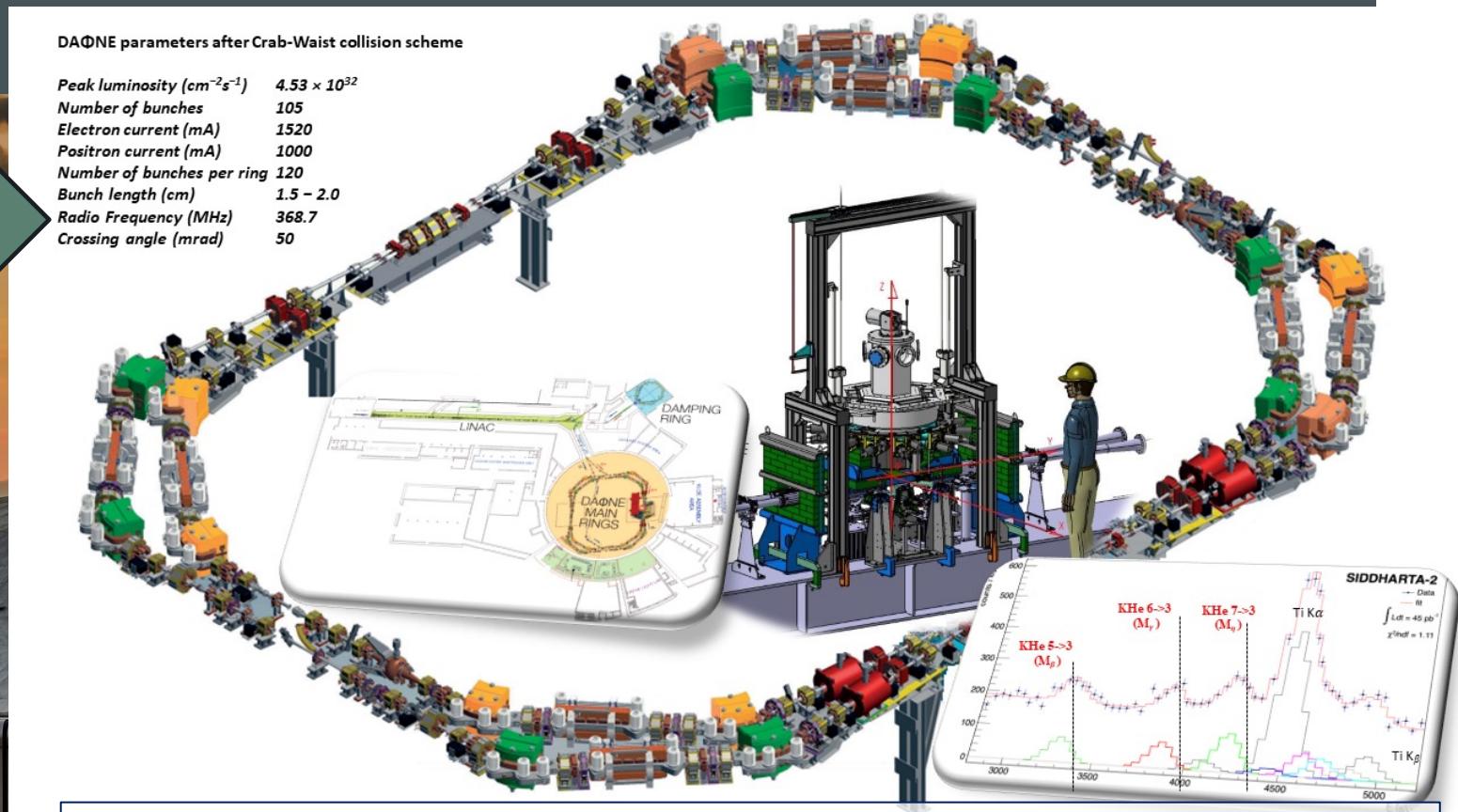
U.-G. Meißner, U.Raha, A.Rusetsky, Eur. phys. J. C35 (2004) 349
next-to-leading order, including isospin breaking

$$a_{K^-p} = \frac{1}{2} [a_0 + a_1]$$
$$a_{K^-n} = a_1$$
$$a_{K^-d} = \frac{k}{2} [a_{K^-p} + a_{K^-n}] + C = \frac{k}{4} [a_0 + 3a_1] + C$$
$$k = \frac{4[m_n + m_K]}{[2m_n + m_K]}$$

The DAΦNE collider



High quality kaon beam

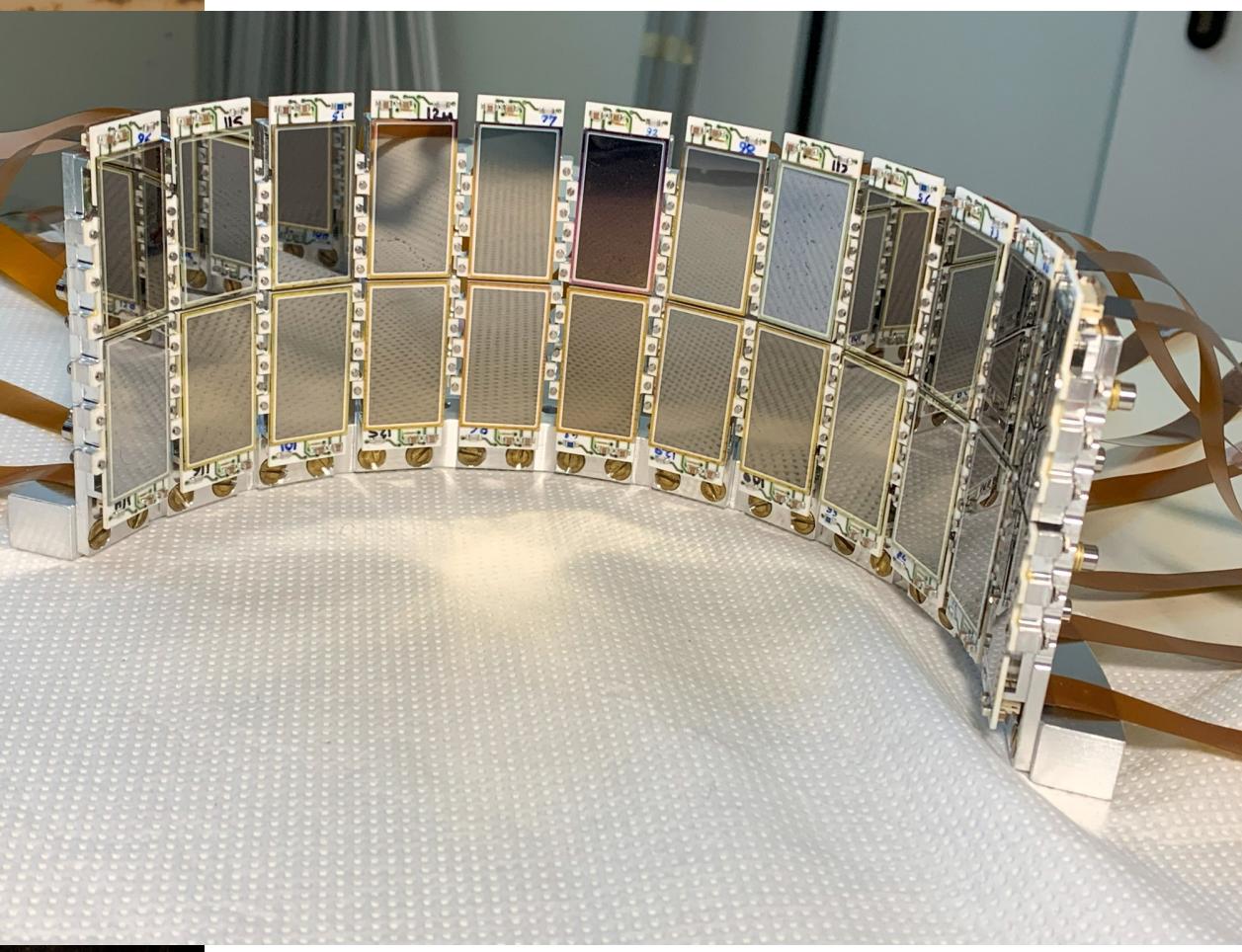


- $\Phi \rightarrow K^- K^+ (48.9\%)$
- Monochromatic low-energy K^-
($\sim 127 \text{ MeV}/c$; $\Delta p/p = 0.1\%$)
- Less hadronic background compared to hadron beam line

Silicon Drift Detectors

High quality kaon beam

Efficient x-ray detector system
and trigger – veto systems



Powerful analysis tools

High quality kaon beam

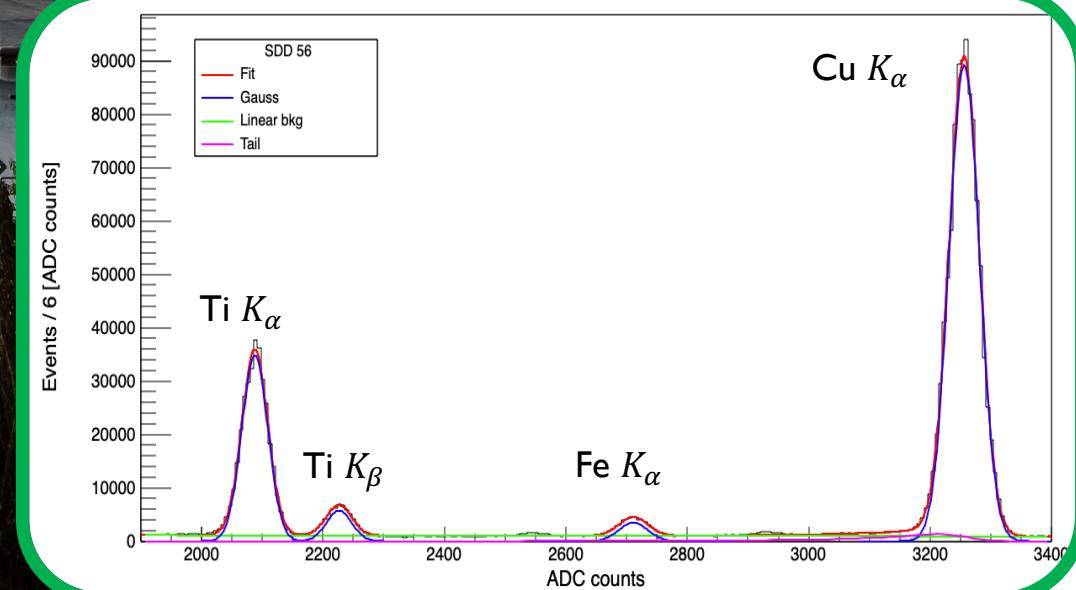
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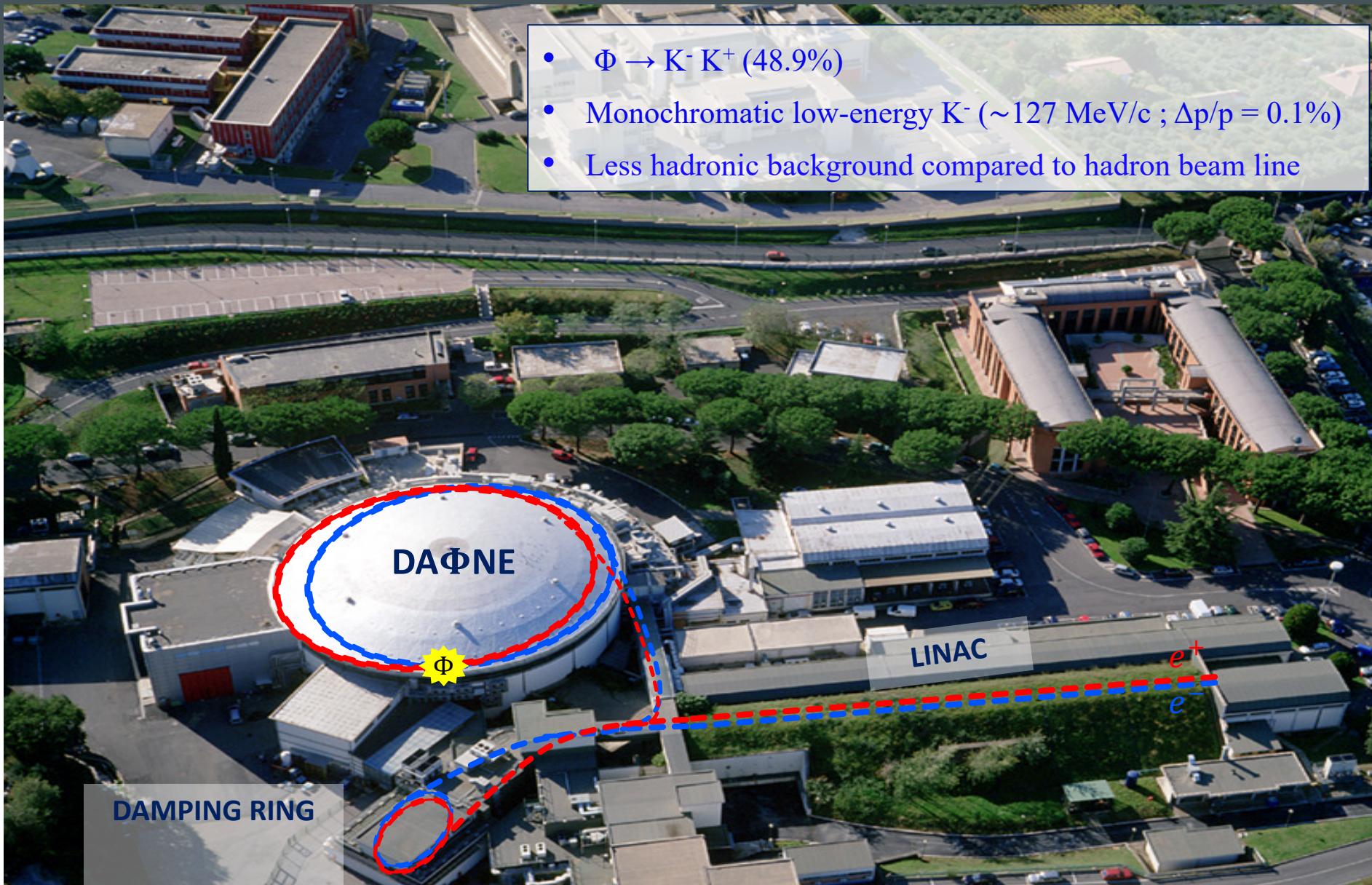


Monte Carlo simulations,
modern algorithms and machine learning
techniques

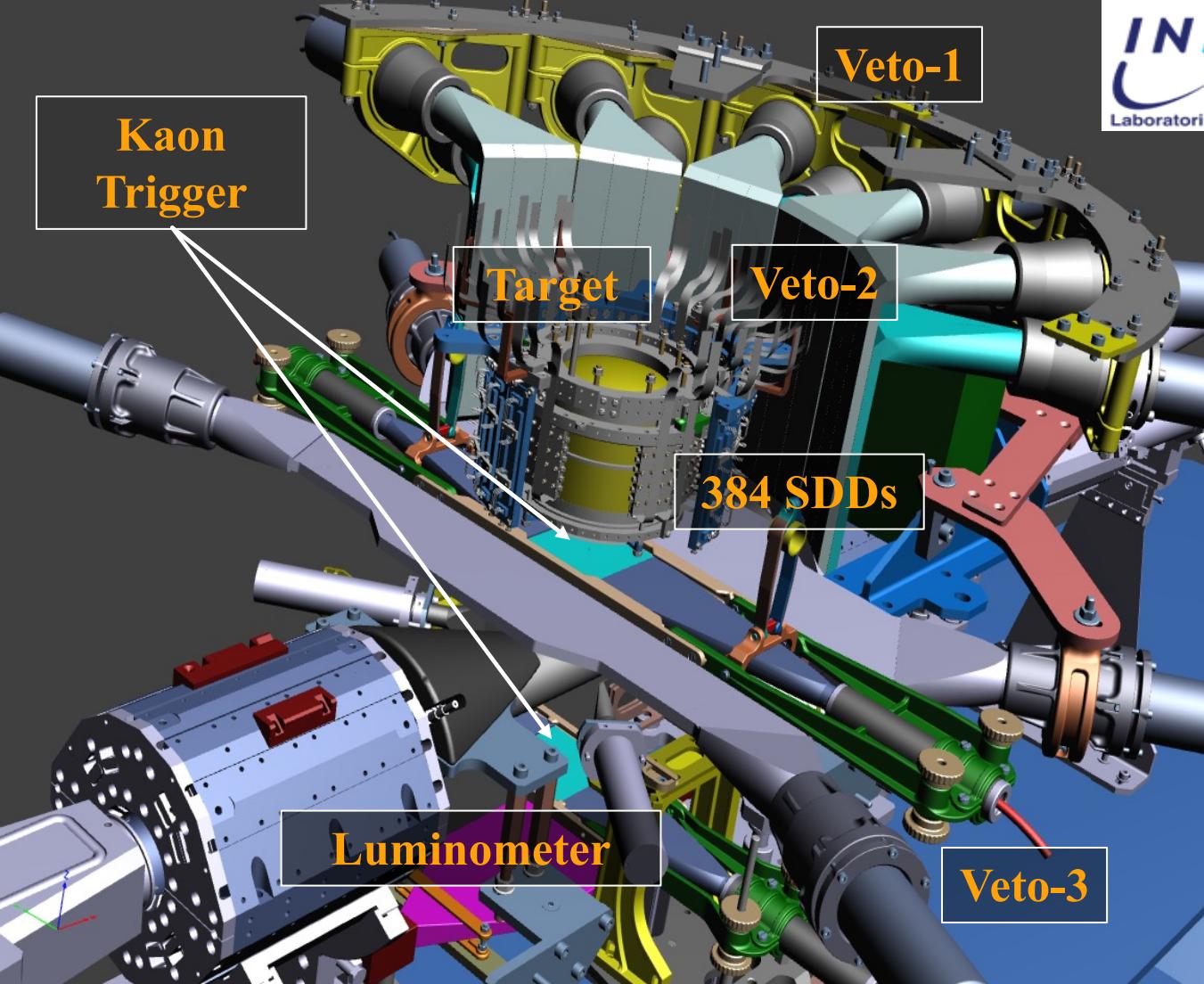
Optimization of the setup and detectors
response (trigger, SDDs, veto, ...)



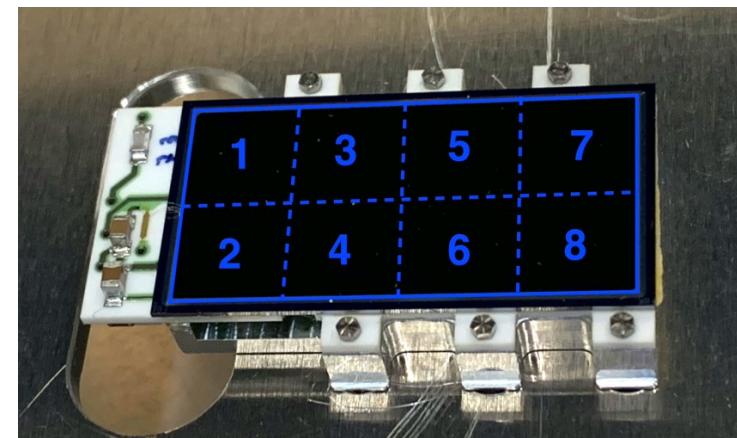
The DAΦNE collider of INFN-LNF



The SIDDHARTA-2 setup and DAΦNE collider



48 Silicon Drift Detector arrays with 8 SDD units (0.64 cm^2)
for a total active area of 246 cm^2
The thickness of $450 \mu\text{m}$ ensures a high collection efficiency for X-rays of energy between 5 keV and 12 keV





SIDDHARTA-2

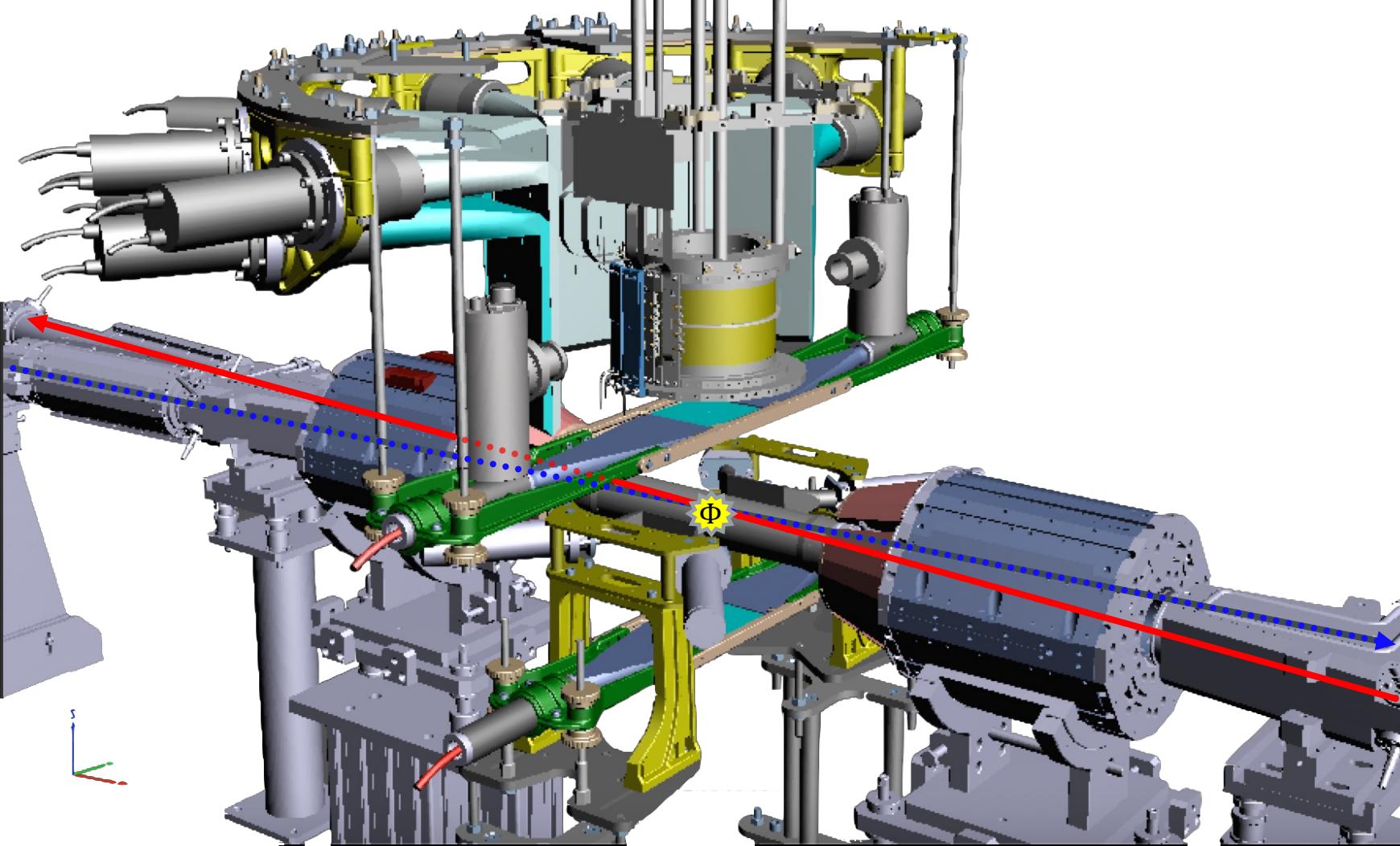


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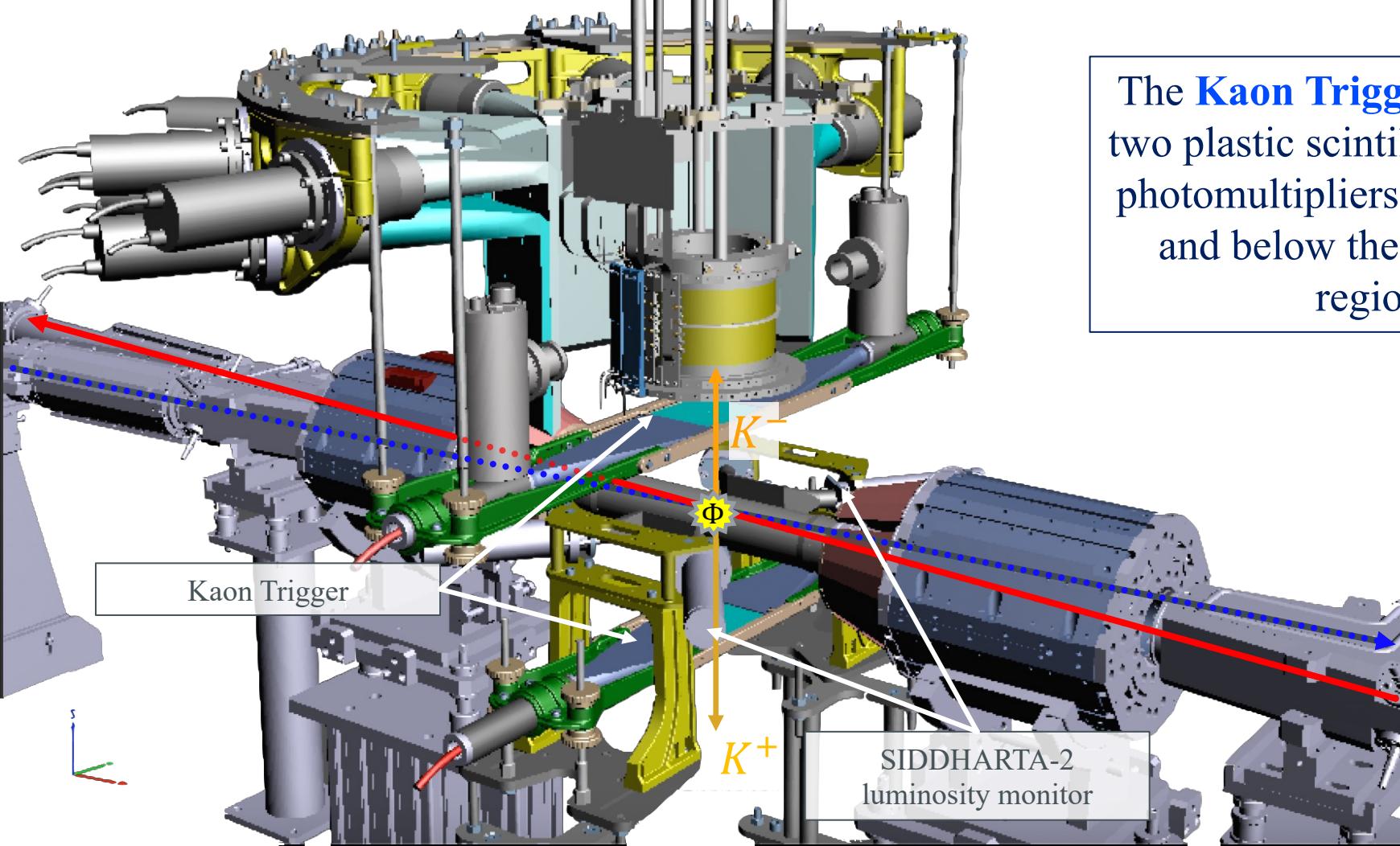
apparatus



SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus: working principle

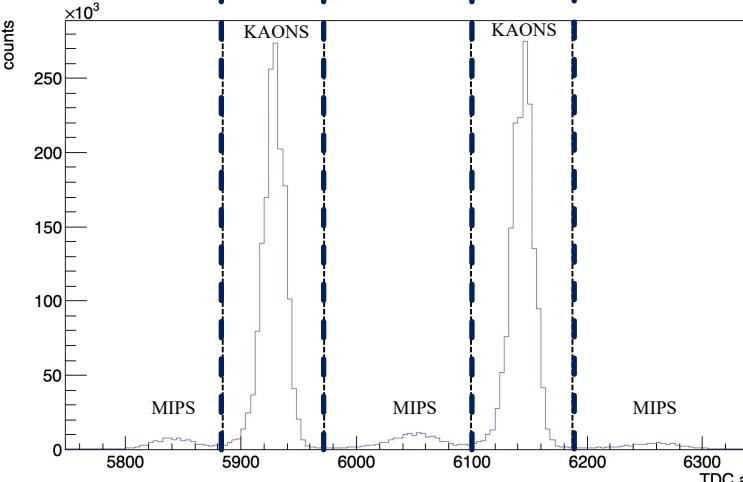
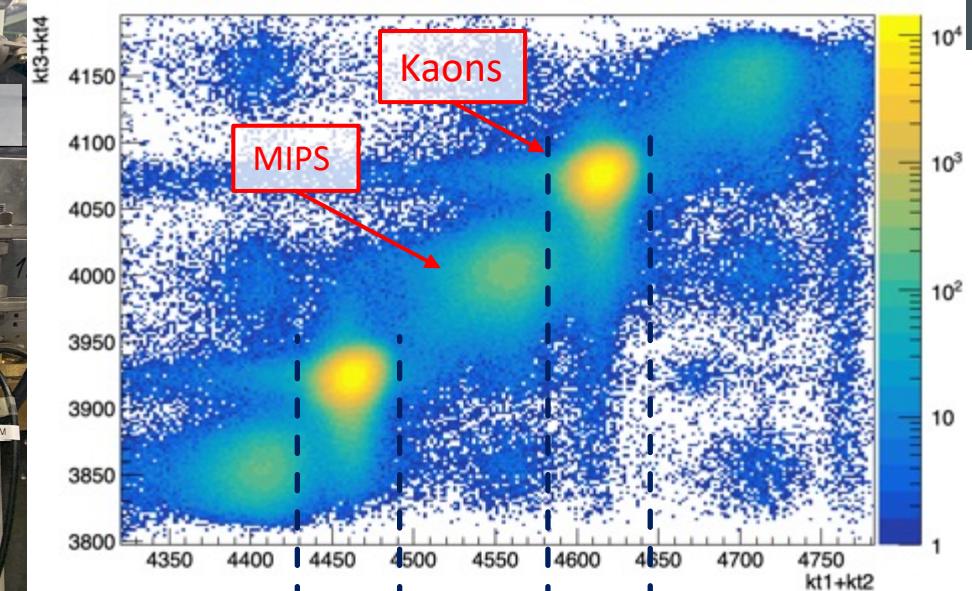
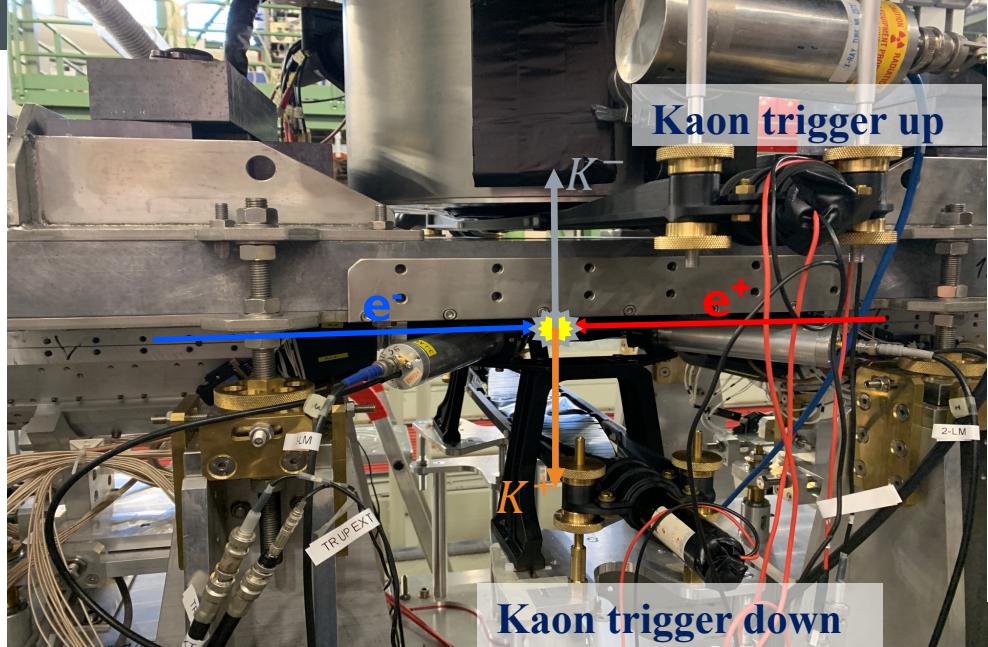


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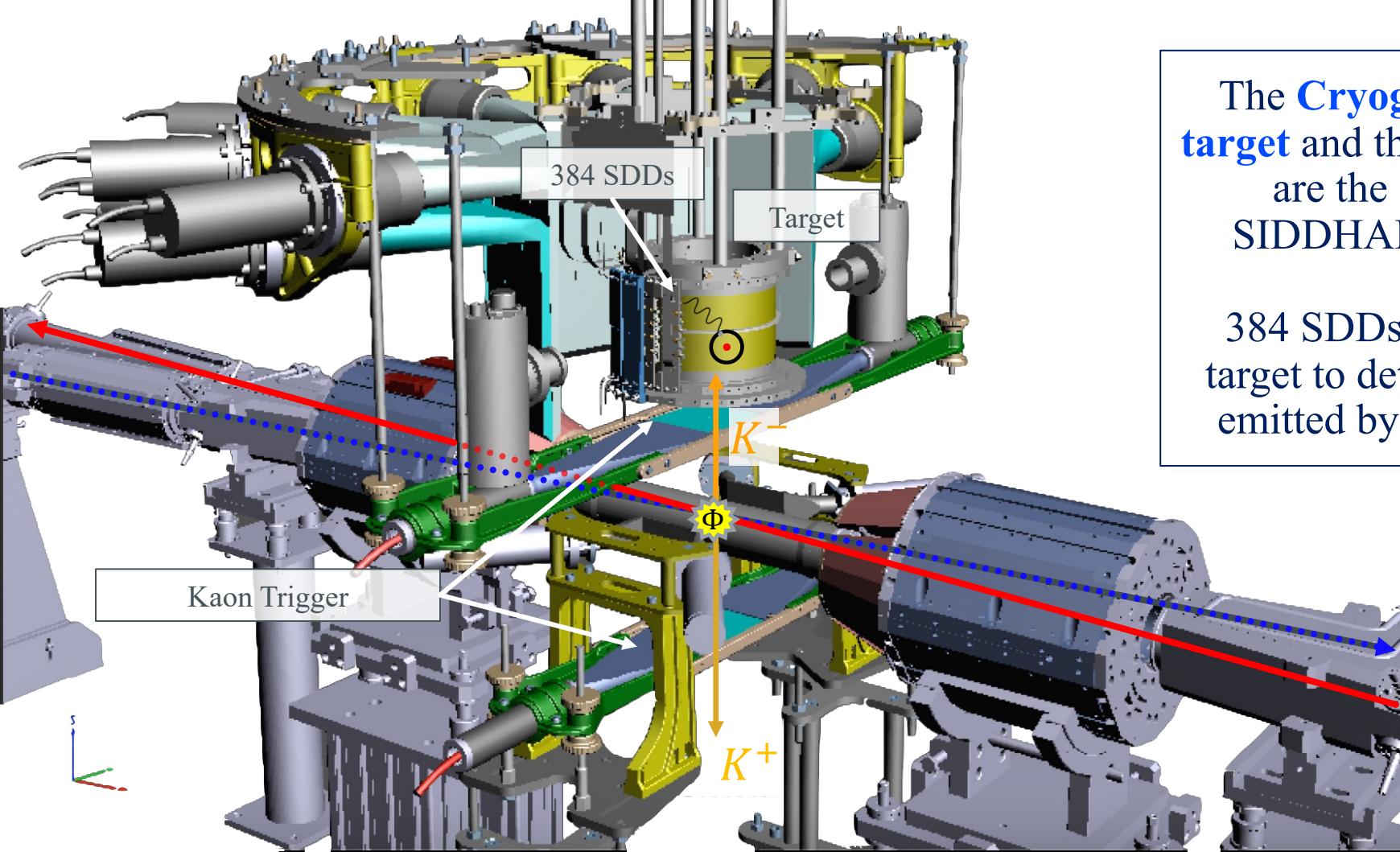
The **Kaon Trigger** consists of two plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed above and below the interaction region.

The Kaon Trigger – Time of Flight



The ToF is different for Kaons, $m(K) \sim 500 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
and light particles
originating from beam-beam and beam-environment
interaction (MIPs).
Can efficiently discriminate by ToF Kaons and
MIPs!

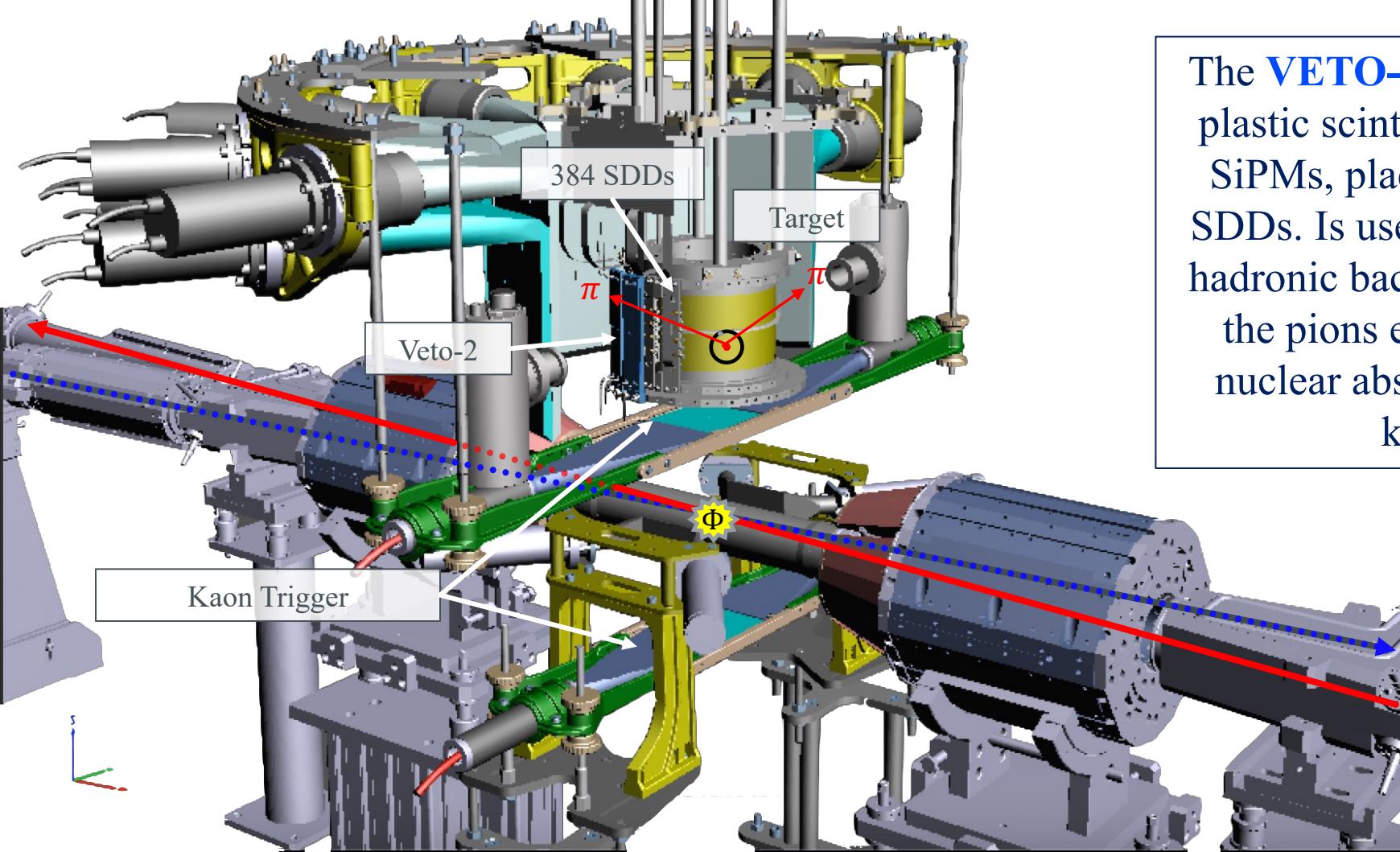
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The **Cryogenic gaseous target** and the **SDDs system** are the core of the SIDDHARTA-2 setup.

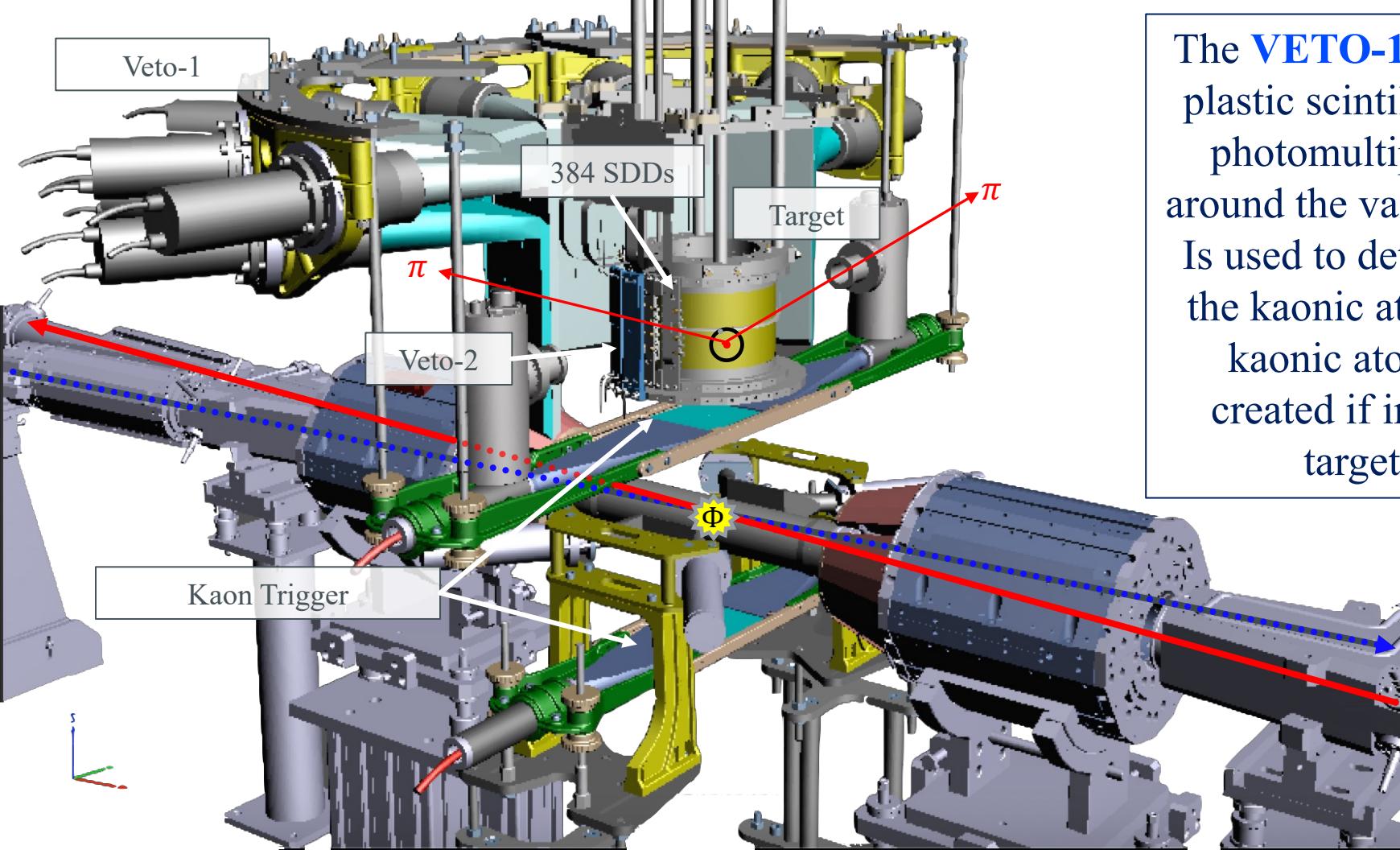
384 SDDs surround the target to detect the X-rays emitted by kaonic atoms

SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus: working principle



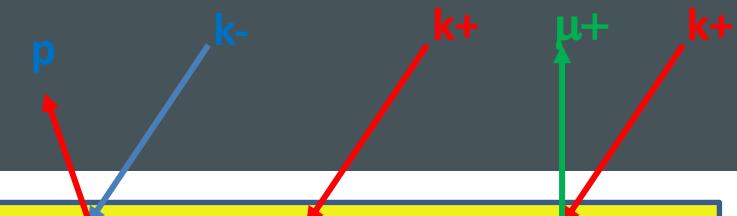
The **VETO-2** consists of 96 plastic scintillators read by SiPMs, placed behind the SDDs. Is used to reduce the hadronic background due to the pions emitted by the nuclear absorption of the kaon.

SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus: working principle



The **VETO-1** consists of 12 plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed around the vacuum chamber. Is used to determine where the kaonic atom where the kaonic atom has been created if inside the gas target or not.

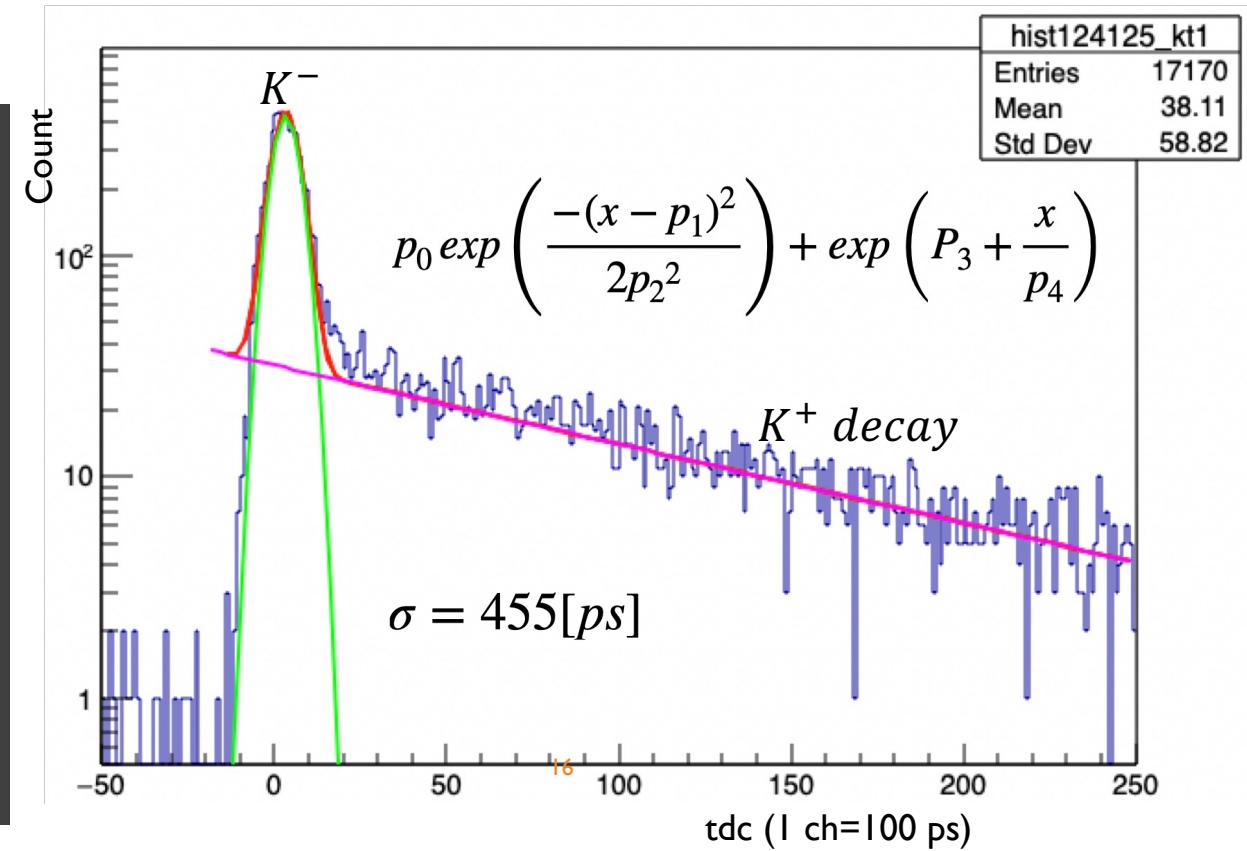
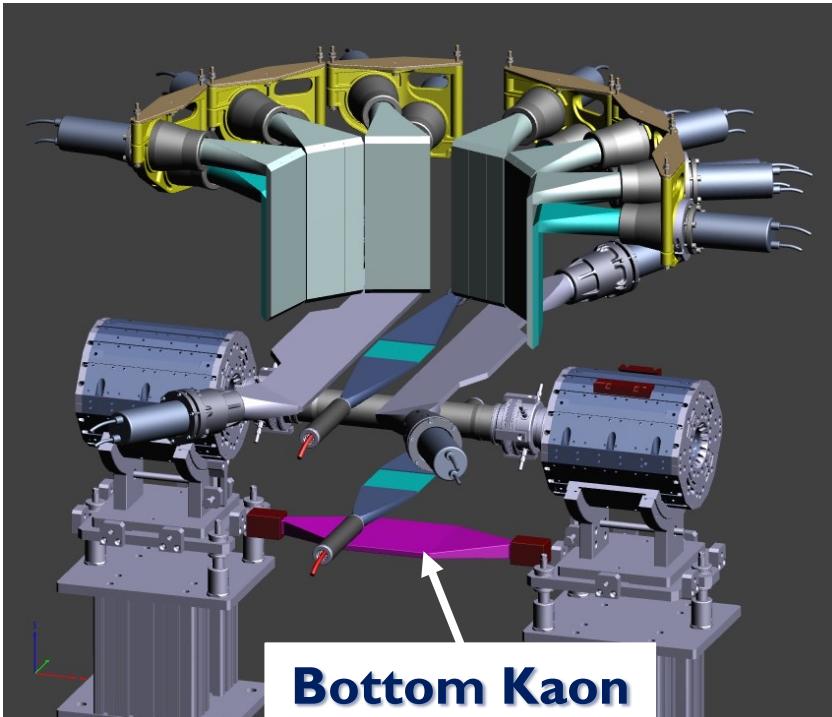
The Kaon charge detector



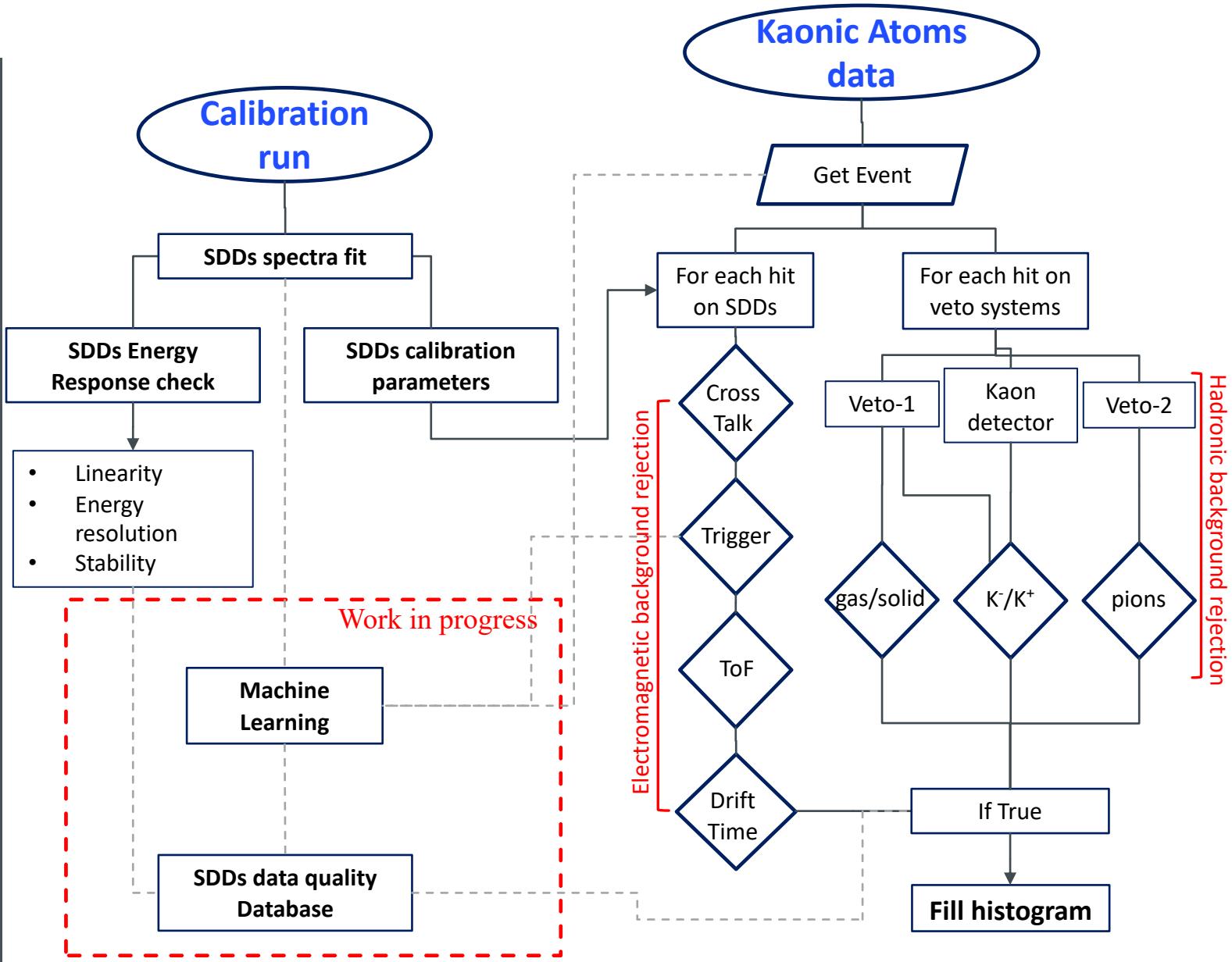
Stop both K^+ and K^- in a passive layer (Teflon) and detect secondaries in a scintillator

Immediate prompt
83% crossing probability

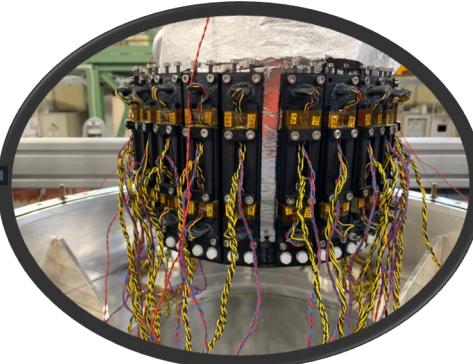
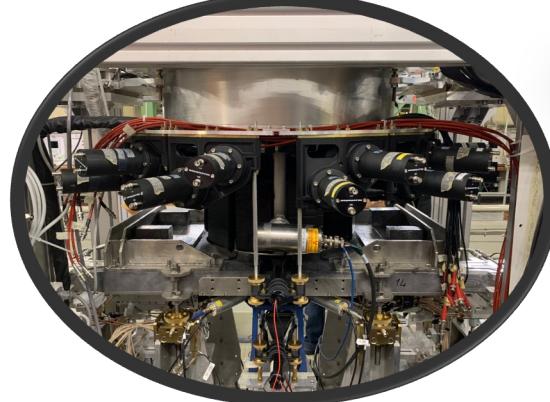
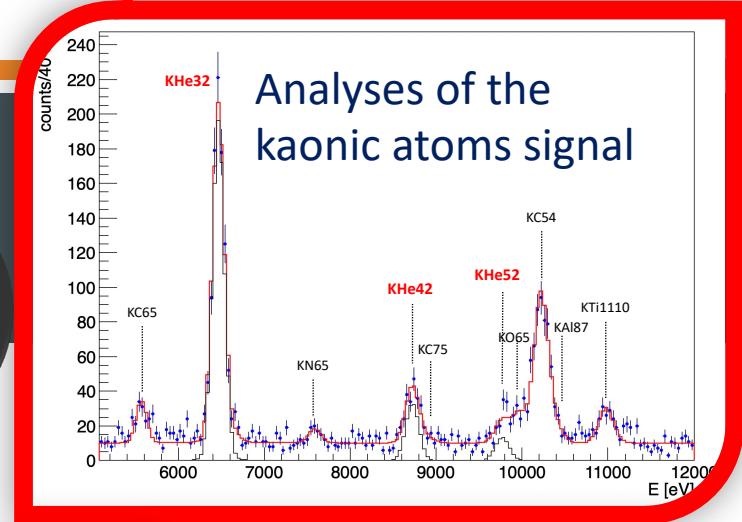
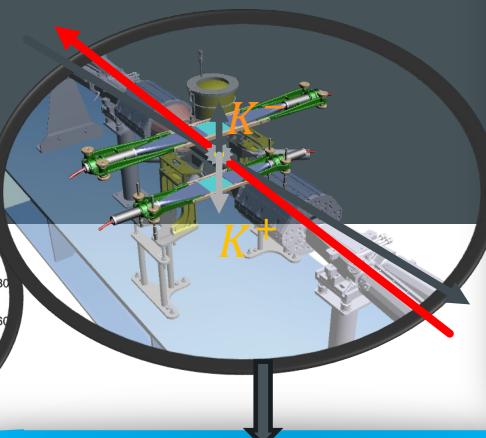
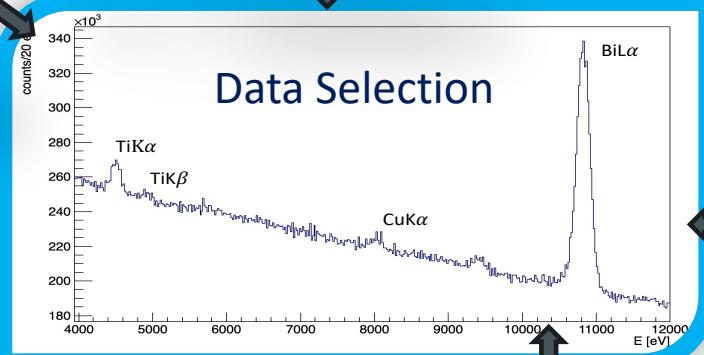
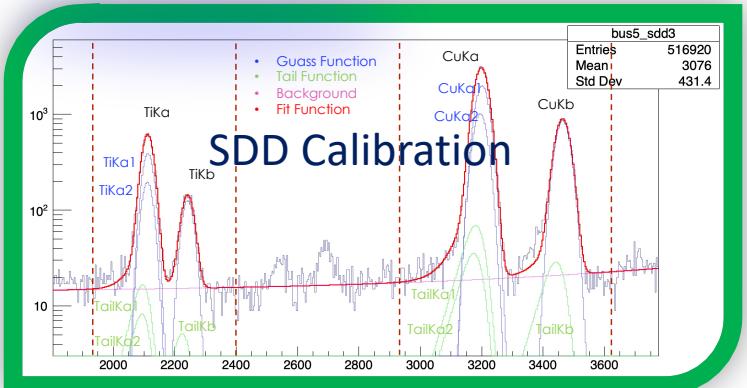
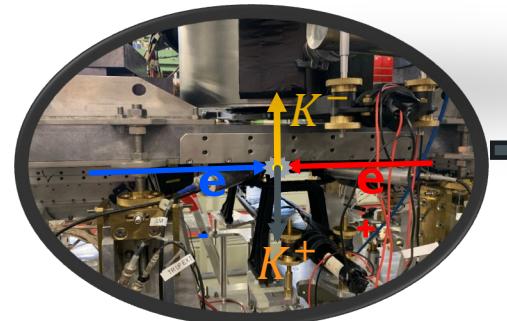
Delayed prompt
53% crossing probability



DATA ANALYSIS



Data Analysis procedure



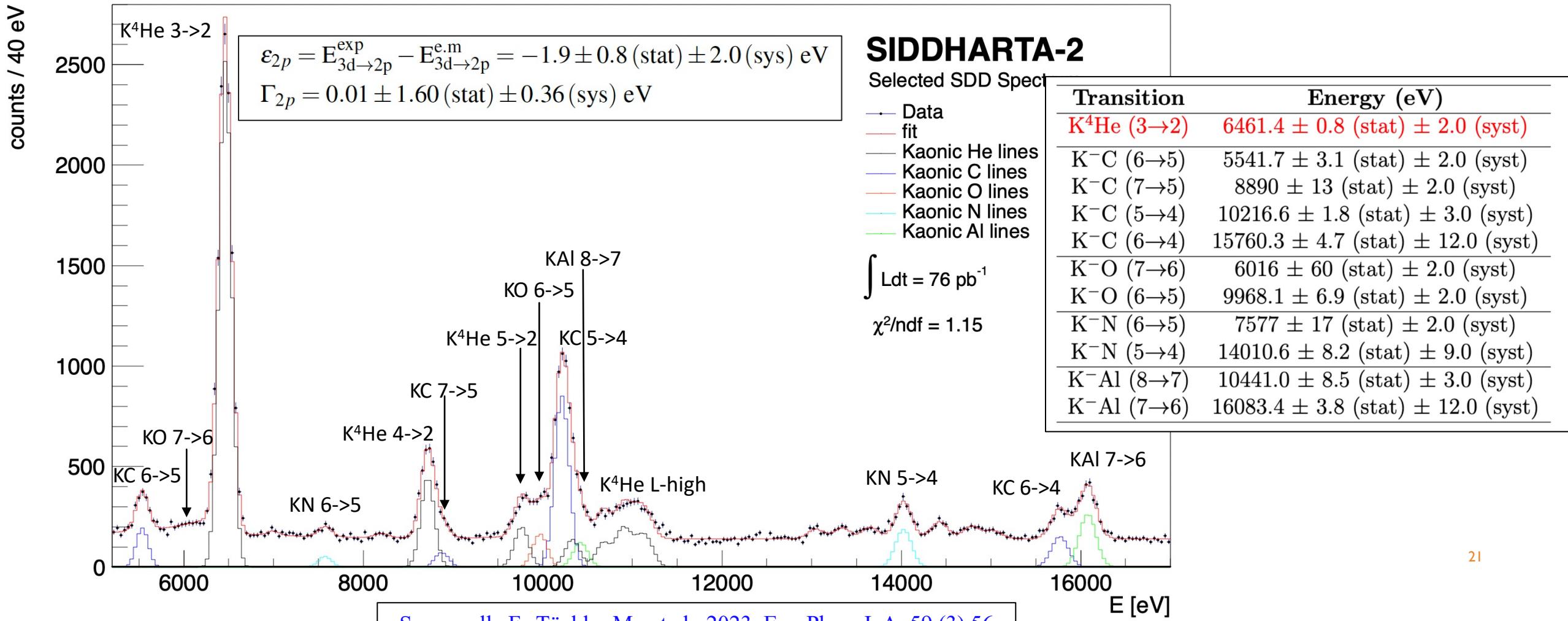


KAONIC HELIUM



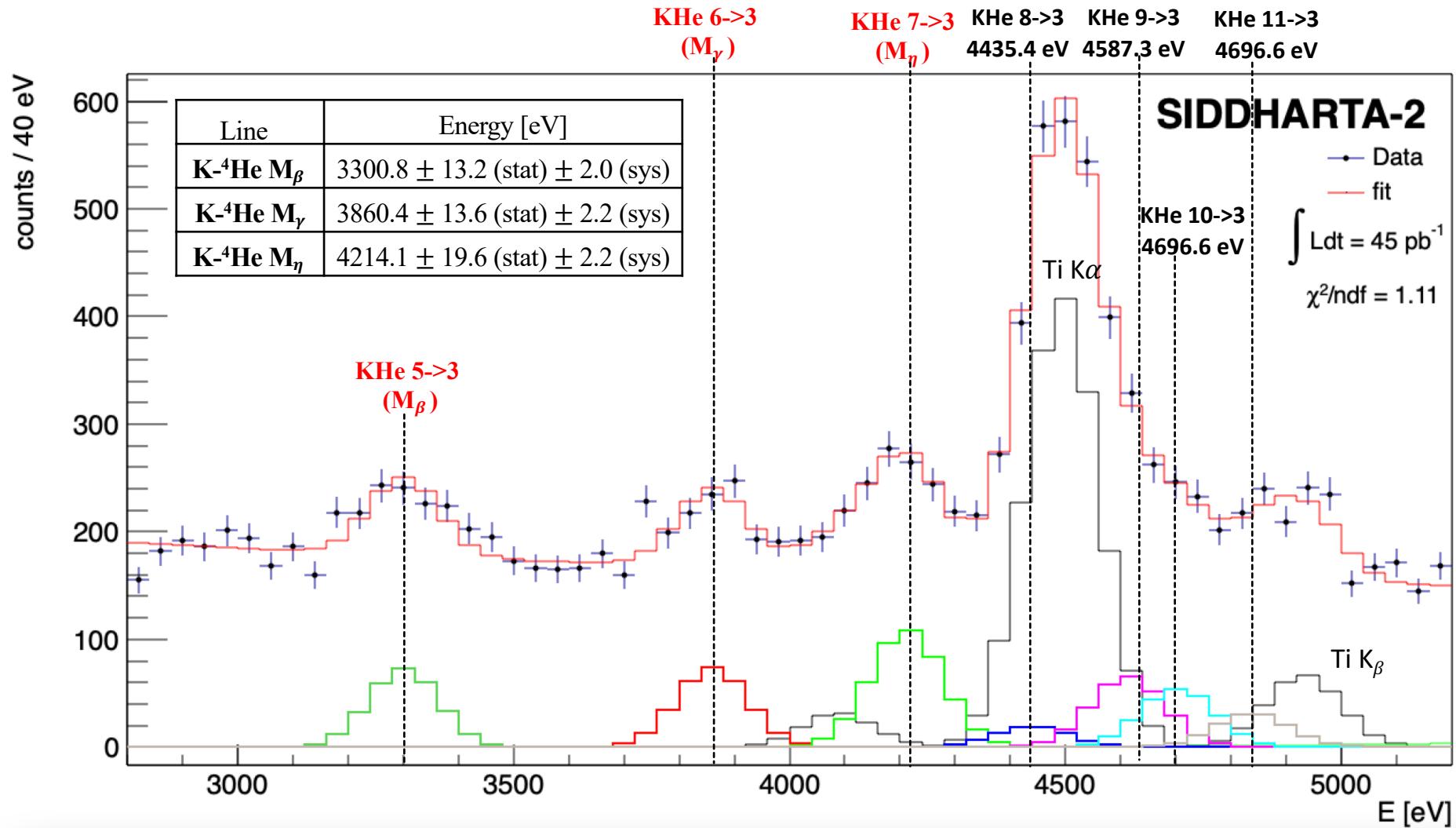
The Kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$ measurement (2022)

- Kaonic He measurement with the full SIDDHARTA-2 setup
- Measurement of kaonic helium-4 La transition: 2p level energy shift and width
- First Measurement of high-n transition in kaonic carbon – nitrogen – oxygen and aluminium



The Kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$ – M-series transitions

First observation and measurement of kaonic helium M-series transition,
with implication on kaonic helium cascade models



The Kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$ yield

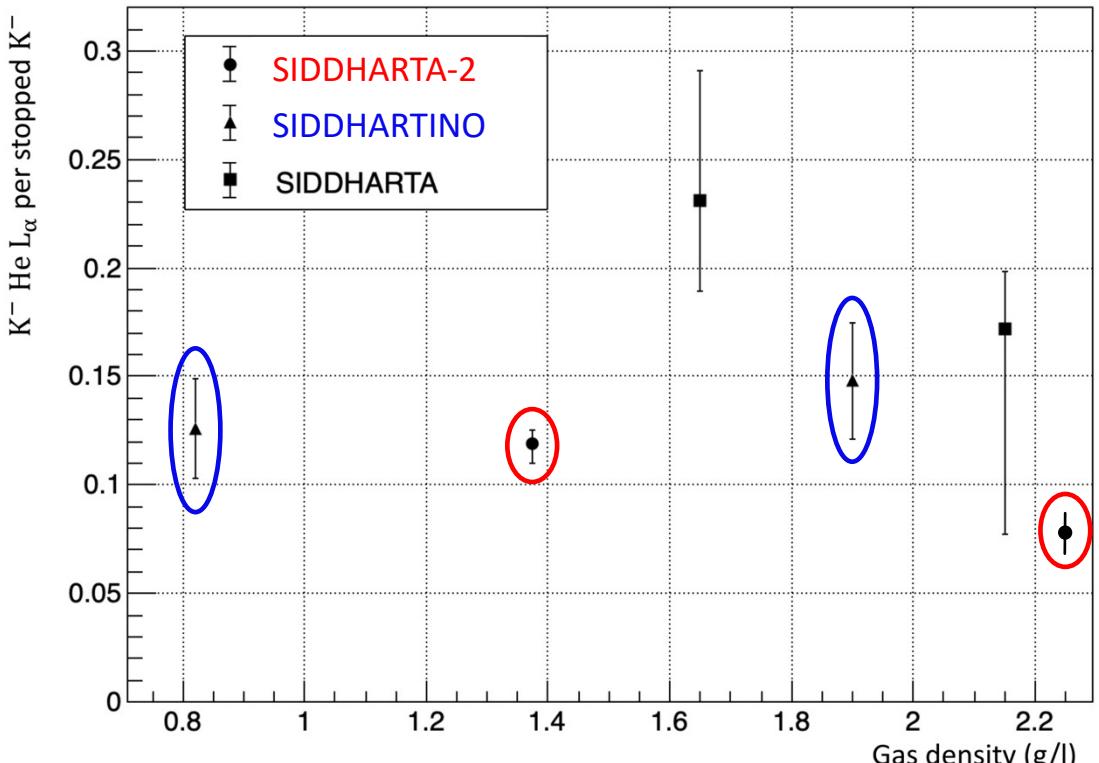
New experimental data for cascade models calculations

The X-ray yield is the key observable to understand the de-excitation mechanism in kaonic atoms and develop more accurate models.

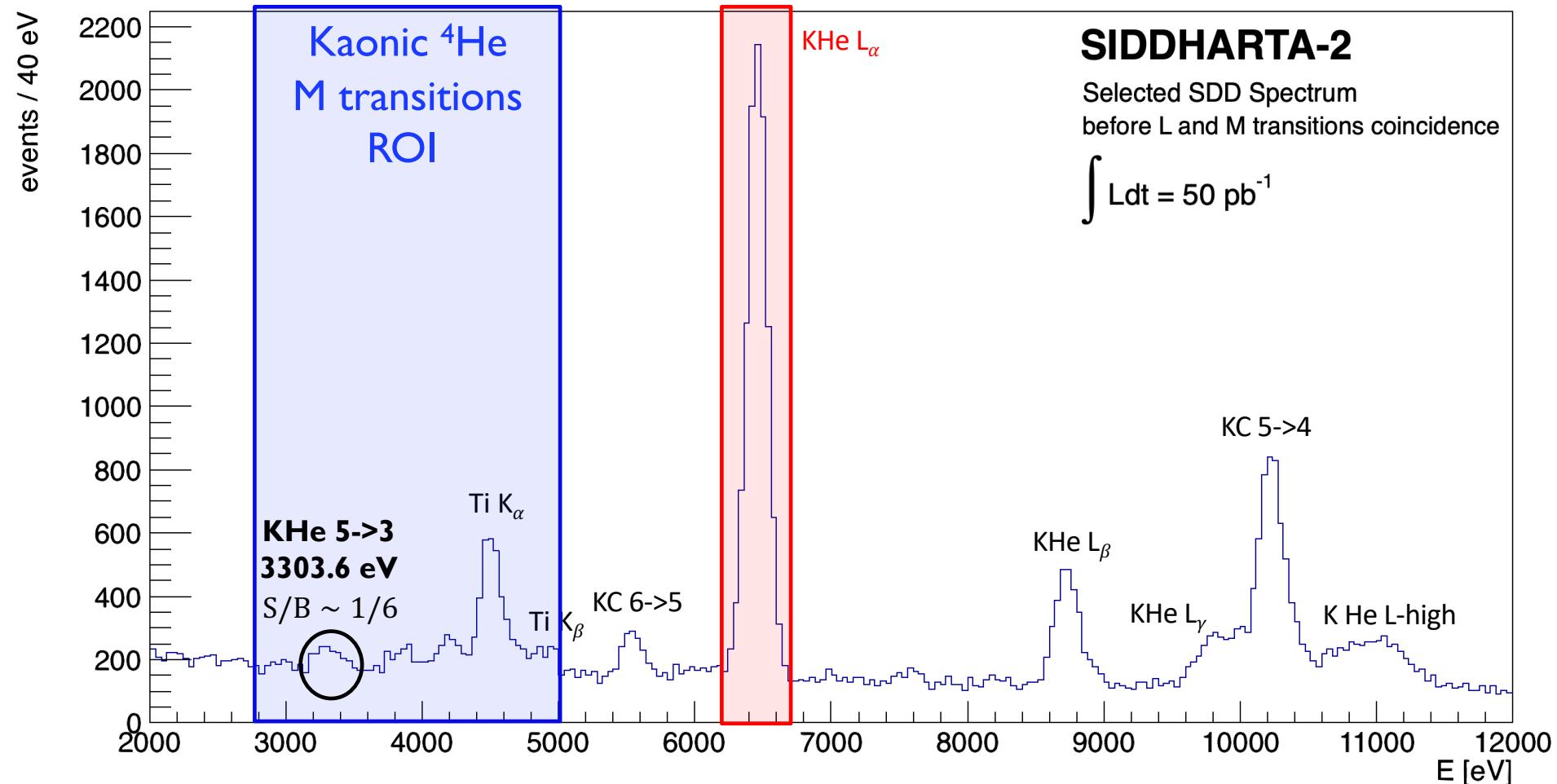
First measurement of K- ${}^4\text{He}$ M-series transition

Density	1.375 g/l
L_α yield	0.119 ± 0.002 (stat) $^{+0.006}_{-0.009}$ (sys)
M_β yield	0.026 ± 0.003 (stat) $^{+0.010}_{-0.001}$ (sys)
L_β / L_α	0.172 ± 0.008 (stat)
L_γ / L_α	0.012 ± 0.001 (stat)
L_β / M_β	0.91 ± 0.14 (stat)
M_γ / M_β	0.48 ± 0.11 (stat)
M_δ / M_β	0.43 ± 0.12 (stat)

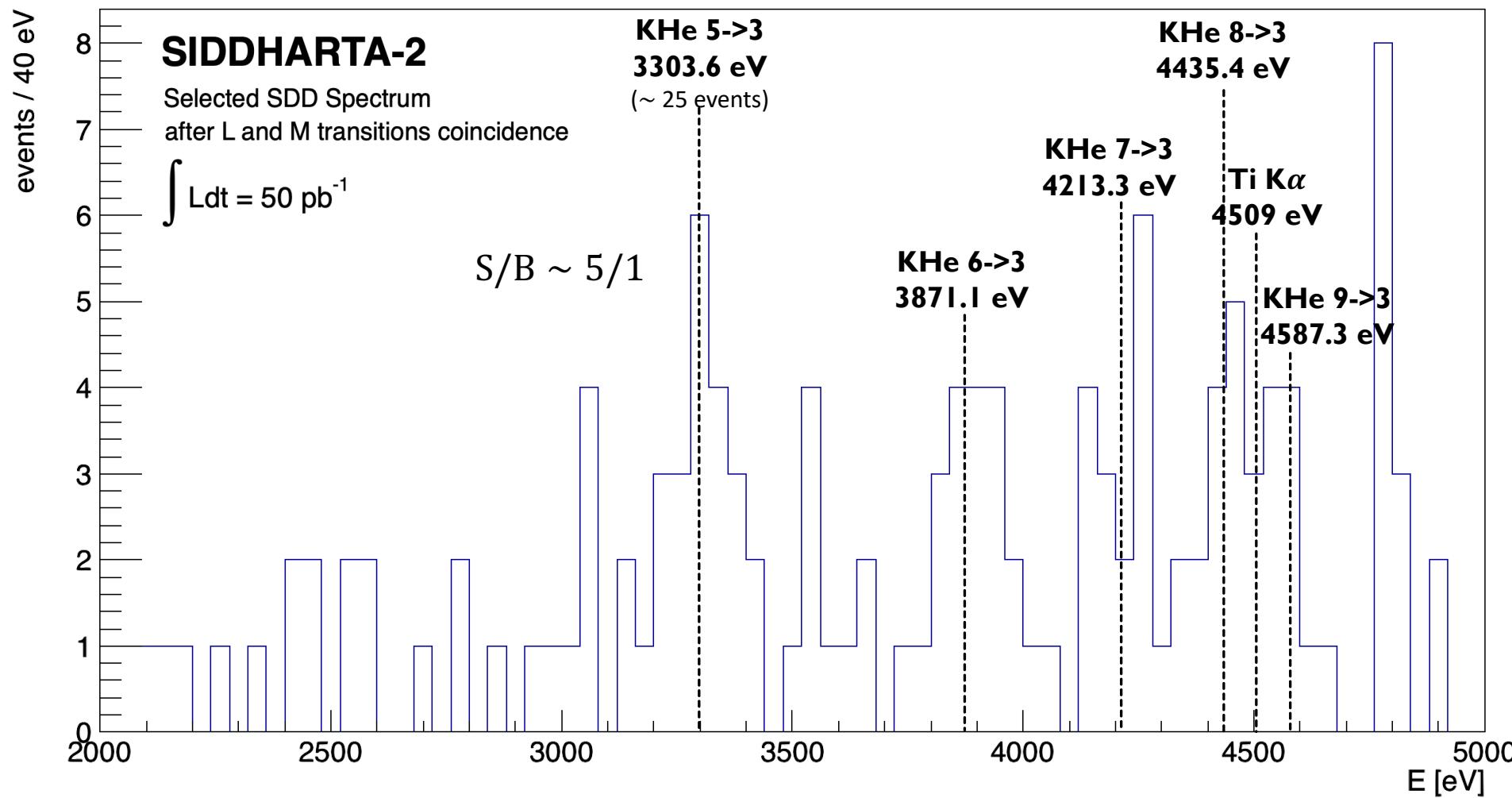
Study of yield density dependence for the K- ${}^4\text{He}$ L α transition



Kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$ – coincidence between L -type and M-type transitions



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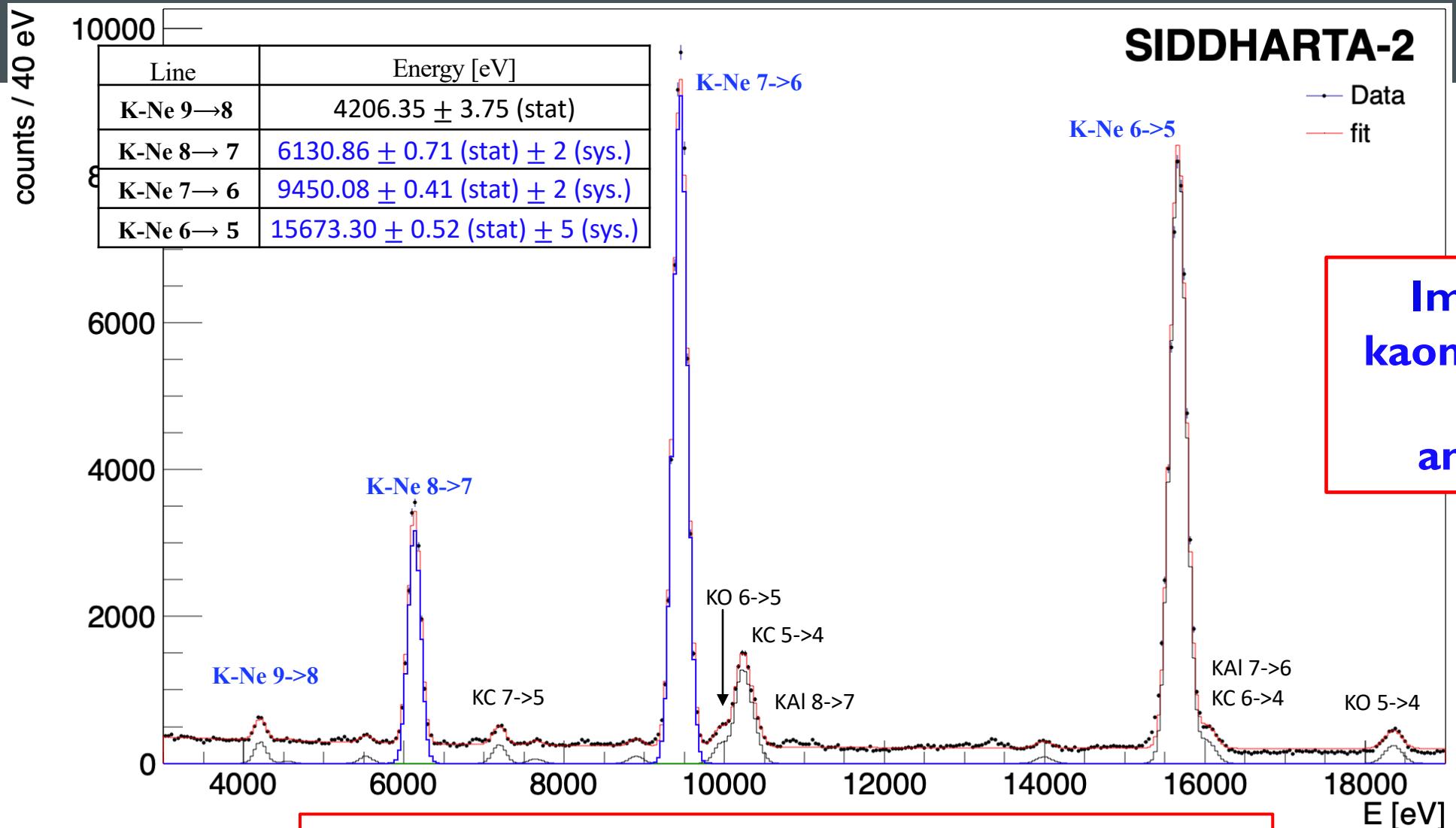
Feasibility test for future
kaonic atom
measurements (kaonic ${}^4\text{He}$
fundamental level)
and kaonic deuterium at
JPARC

KAONIC NEON



The Kaonic Neon measurement (2023)

First measurement of kaonic neon X-ray transitions (record of precision < 1 eV)



Implications on
kaon - multinucleon
interaction
and kaon mass

Kaonic Neon Yield analysis on going → paper in preparation

The charged Kaon mass puzzle

Kaon mass ($K\text{-Ne } 8 \rightarrow 7$ and $K\text{-Ne } 7 \rightarrow 6$) = 493.694 ± 0.015 (stat) MeV
(syst. error ~ 50 keV to be carefully check)

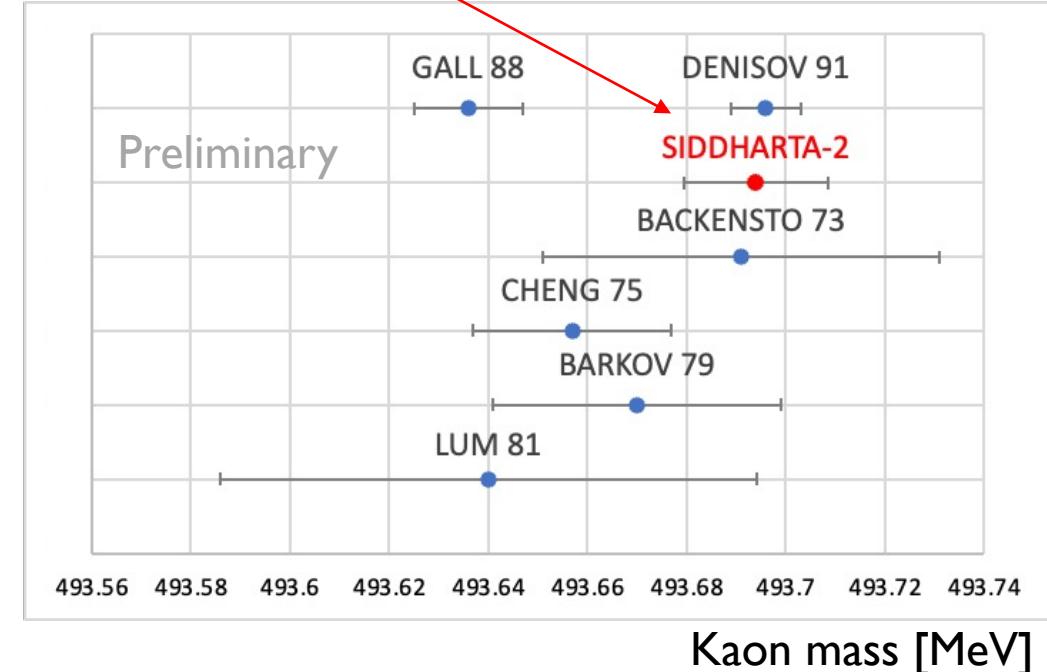
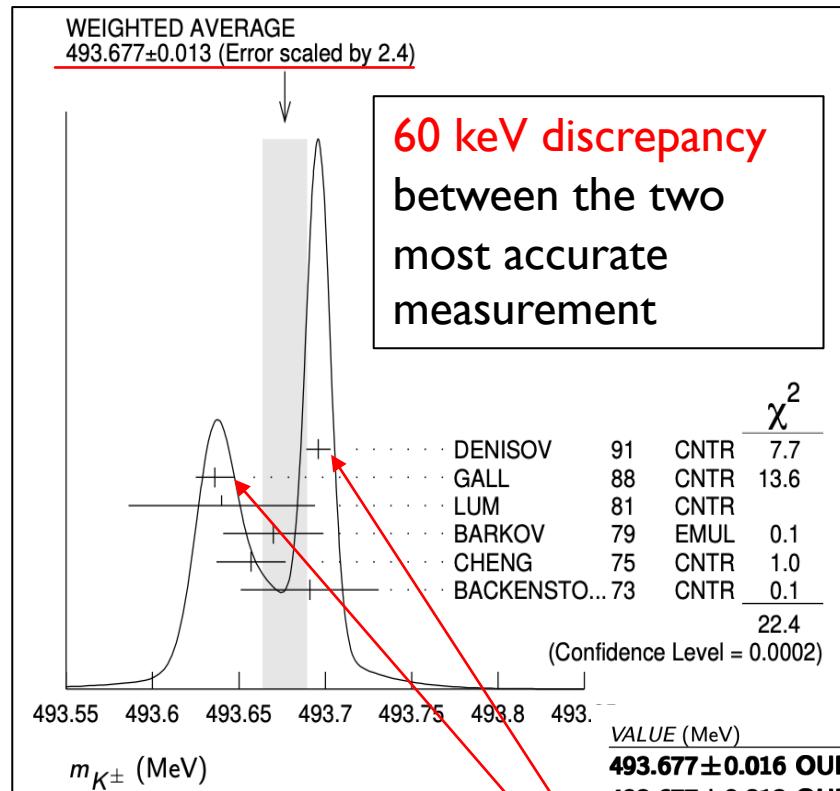
The kaonic Neon measurement to determine the $K^- (K^+)$ mass



Less/different systematic uncertainty with respect to DENISOV 91 and GALL 88 measurements, thanks to the use of a low Z gas target



It could solve the kaon mass discrepancy issue



VALUE (MeV)	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	CHG	COMMENT
493.677 ± 0.016 OUR FIT				Error includes scale factor of 2.8.
493.677 ± 0.013 OUR AVERAGE				Error includes scale factor of 2.4. See the ideogram below.
493.696 ± 0.007	1 DENISOV	91	CNTR	Kaonic atoms
493.636 ± 0.011	2 GALL	88	CNTR	Kaonic atoms
493.640 ± 0.054	LUM	81	CNTR	Kaonic atoms
493.670 ± 0.029	BARKOV	79	EMUL	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow K^+ K^-$
493.657 ± 0.020	2 CHENG	75	CNTR	Kaonic atoms
493.691 ± 0.040	BACKENSTO...73	CNTR	-	Kaonic atoms

Particle Data Group,
2020, 083C01 (2020)

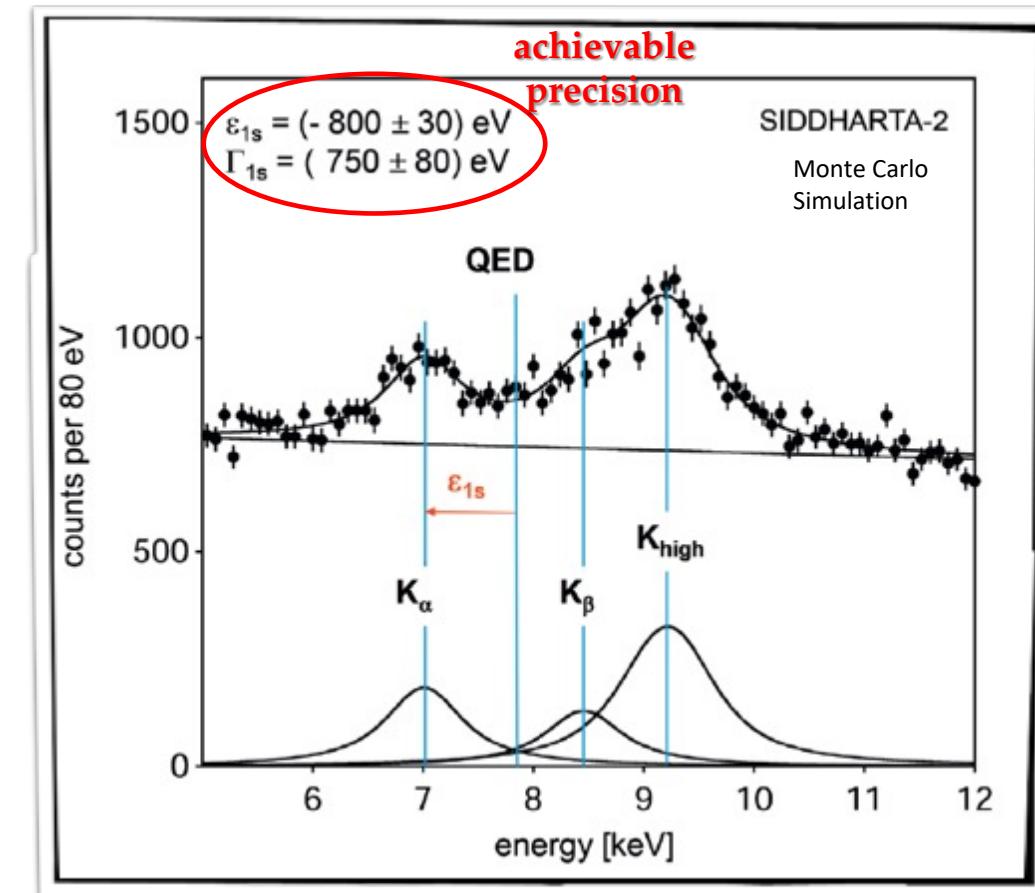
The kaonic deuterium measurement

Kaonic deuterium run ongoing

2023/24

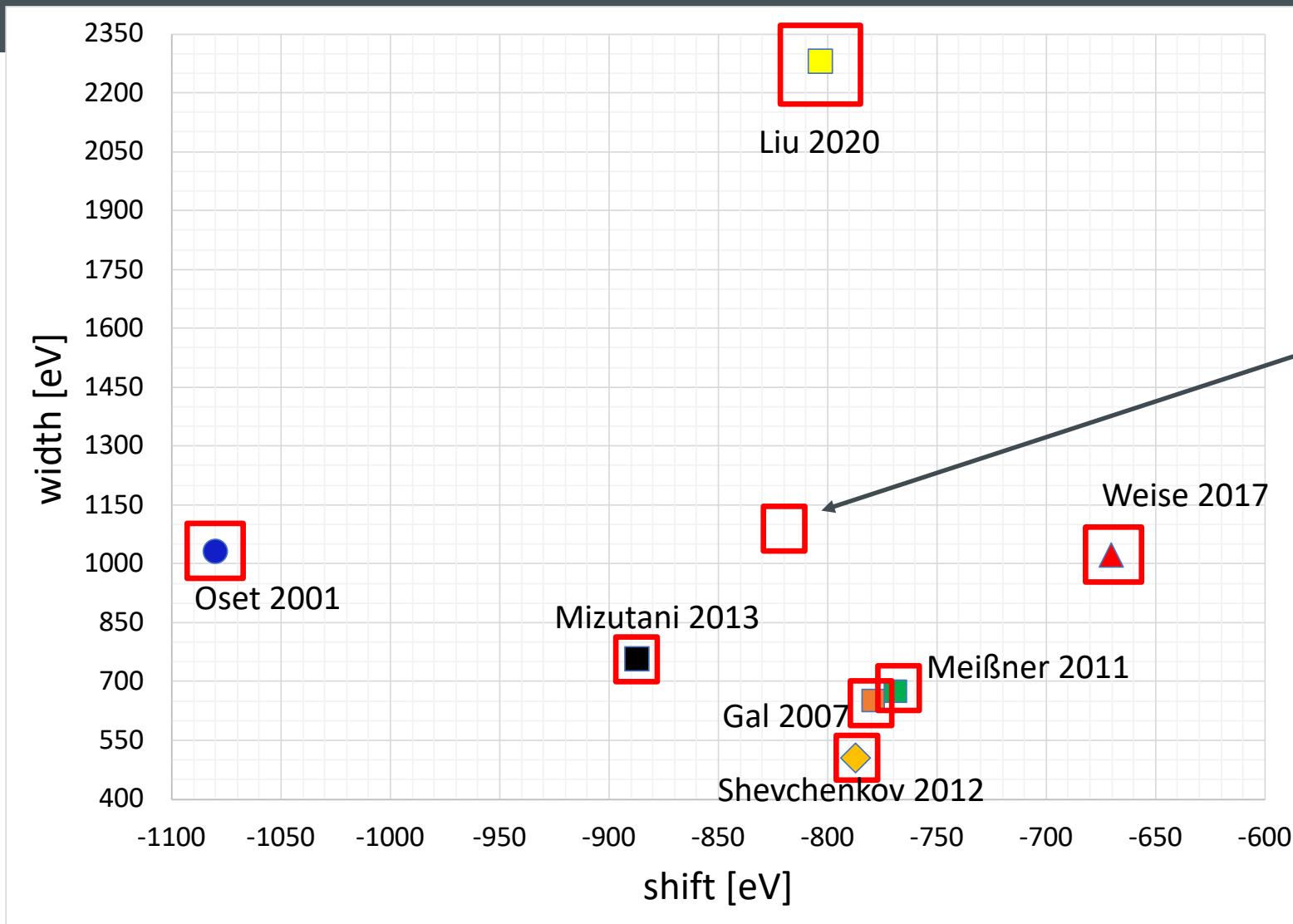
*Monte Carlo for an integrated
luminosity
of 800 pb^{-1}*

to perform the first
measurement of the strong
interaction induced **energy
shift and width of the kaonic
deuterium ground state**
(similar precision as K-p) !



**Significant impact in the theory of strong
interaction with strangeness**

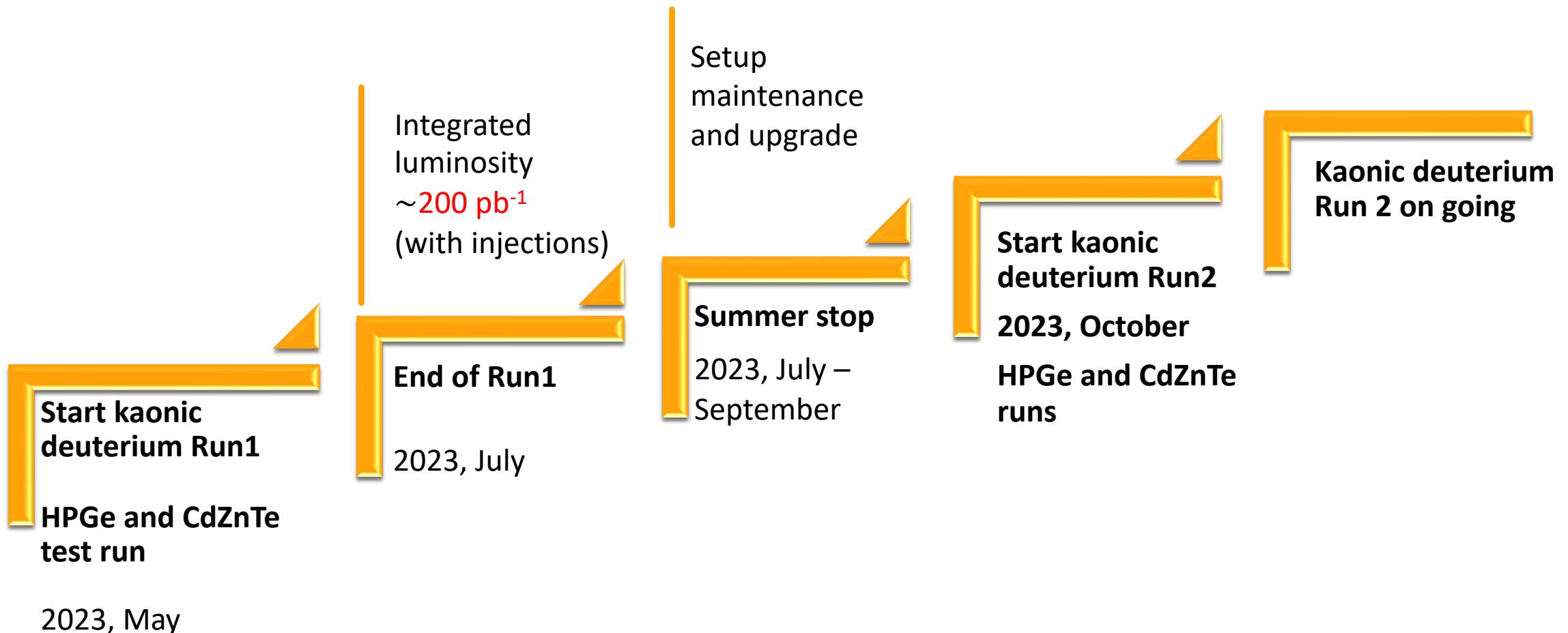
Kaonic deuterium shift and width (theoretical predictions)



achievable
precision

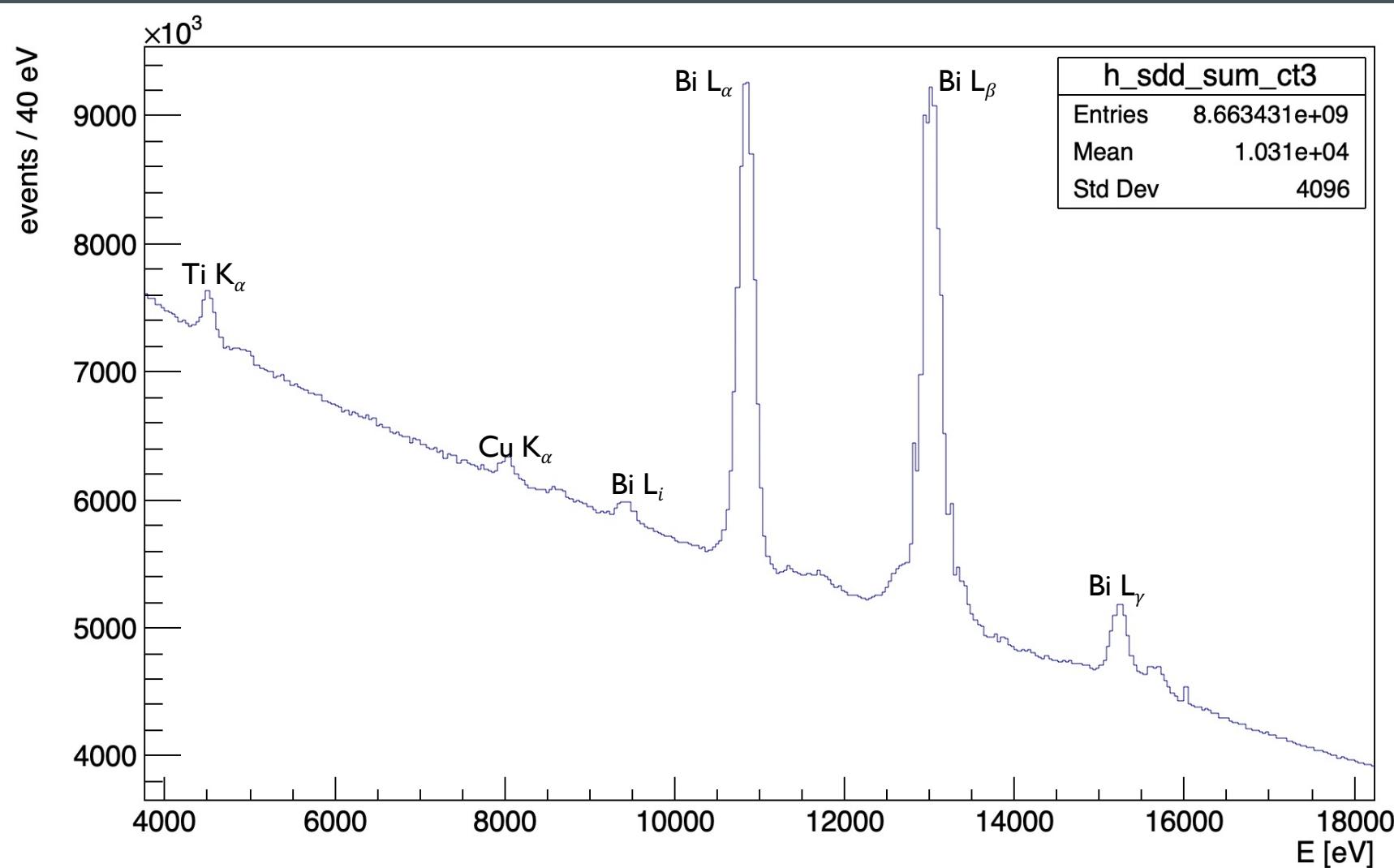
The kaonic deuterium measurement – Timeline

- First run with SIDDHARTA-2 optimized setup for 200 pb^{-1} integrated luminosity: May – July 2023 - completed
- Second run Autumn – Winter 2023 goal: estimated $200\text{-}300 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ongoing
- Third run 2024 – goal: $300\text{-}400 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Calibration runs: Kaonic He; Kaonic Ne; $50\text{-}100 \text{ pb}$



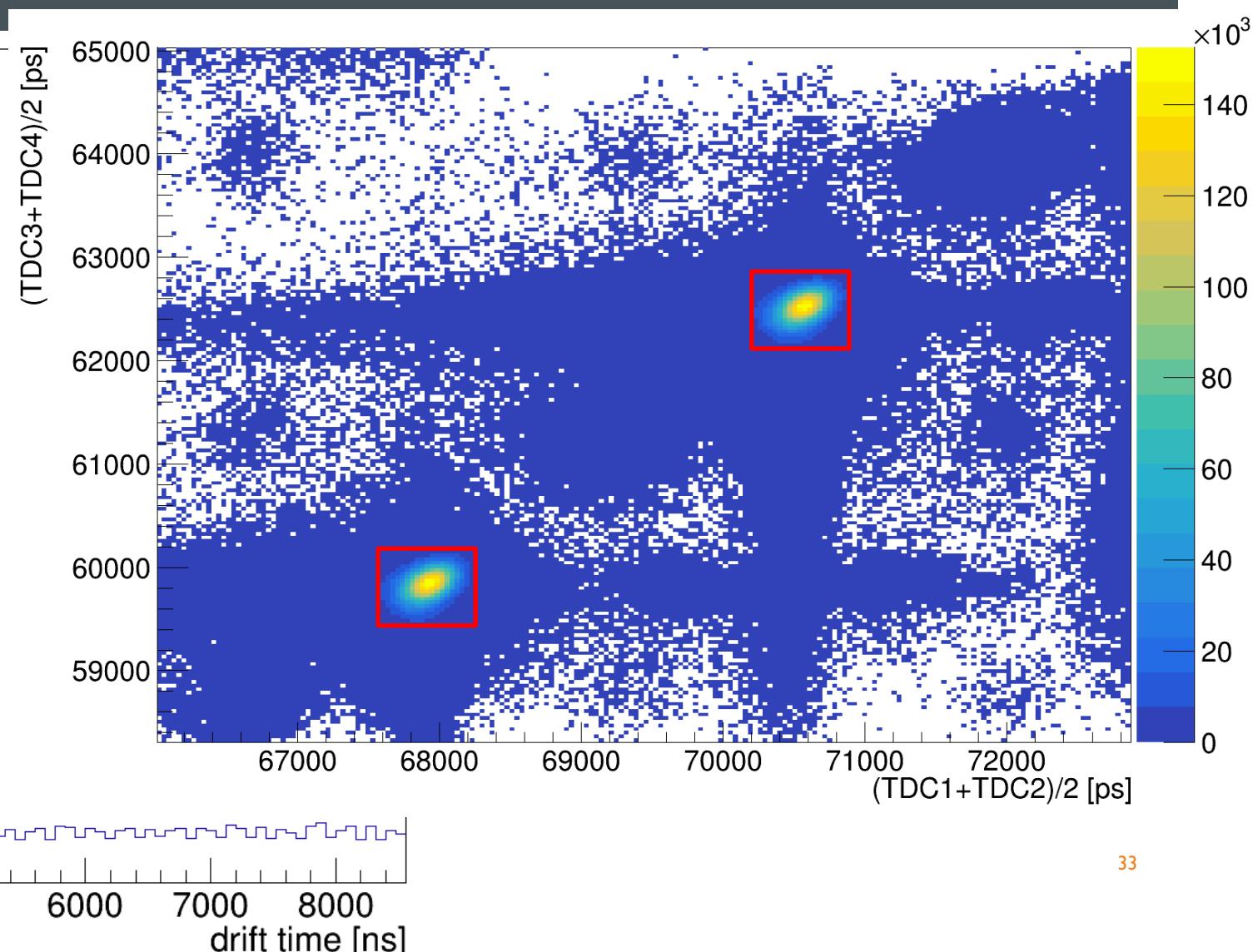
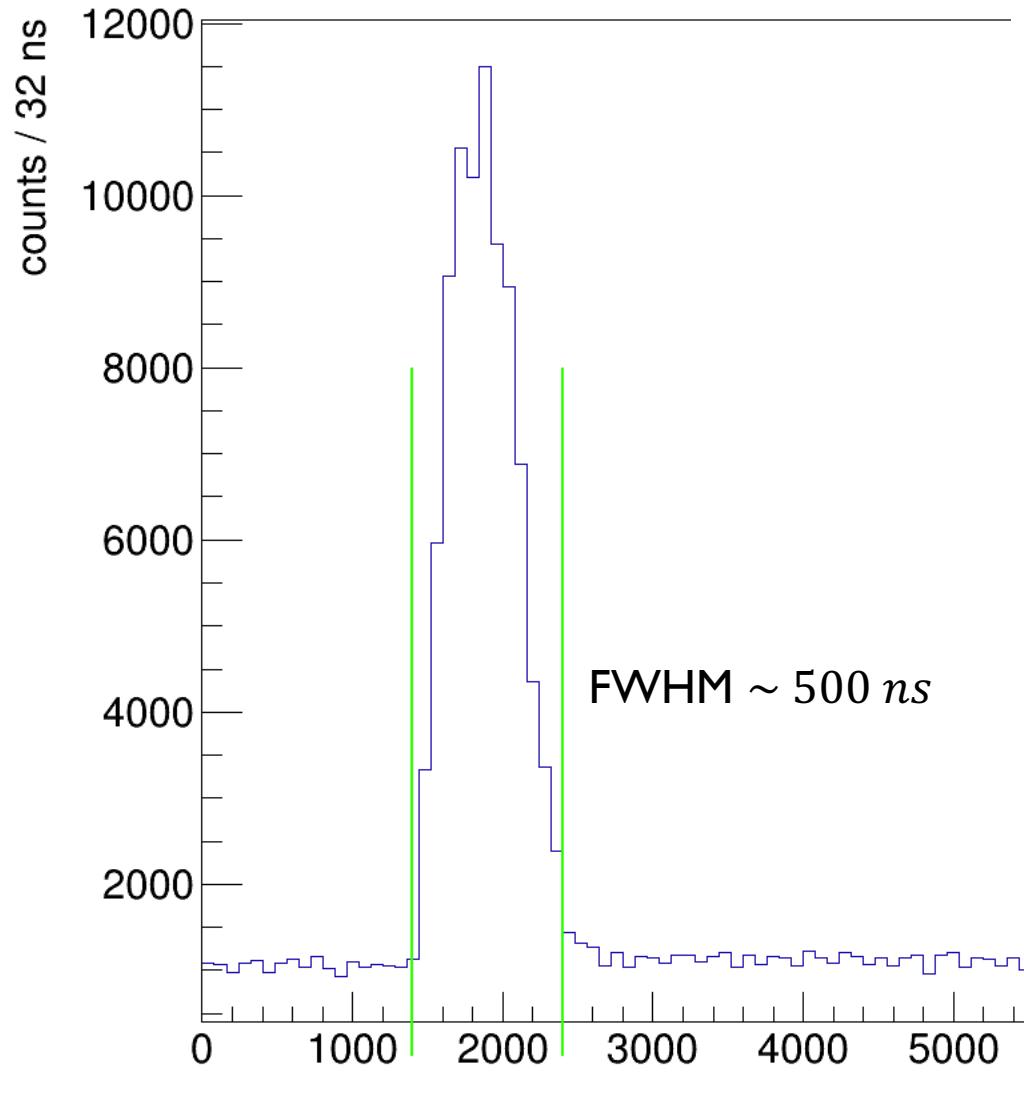
Kaonic deuterium data analysis – Run1

First run, May – July 2023, integrated luminosity 200 pb^{-1} (with injections)



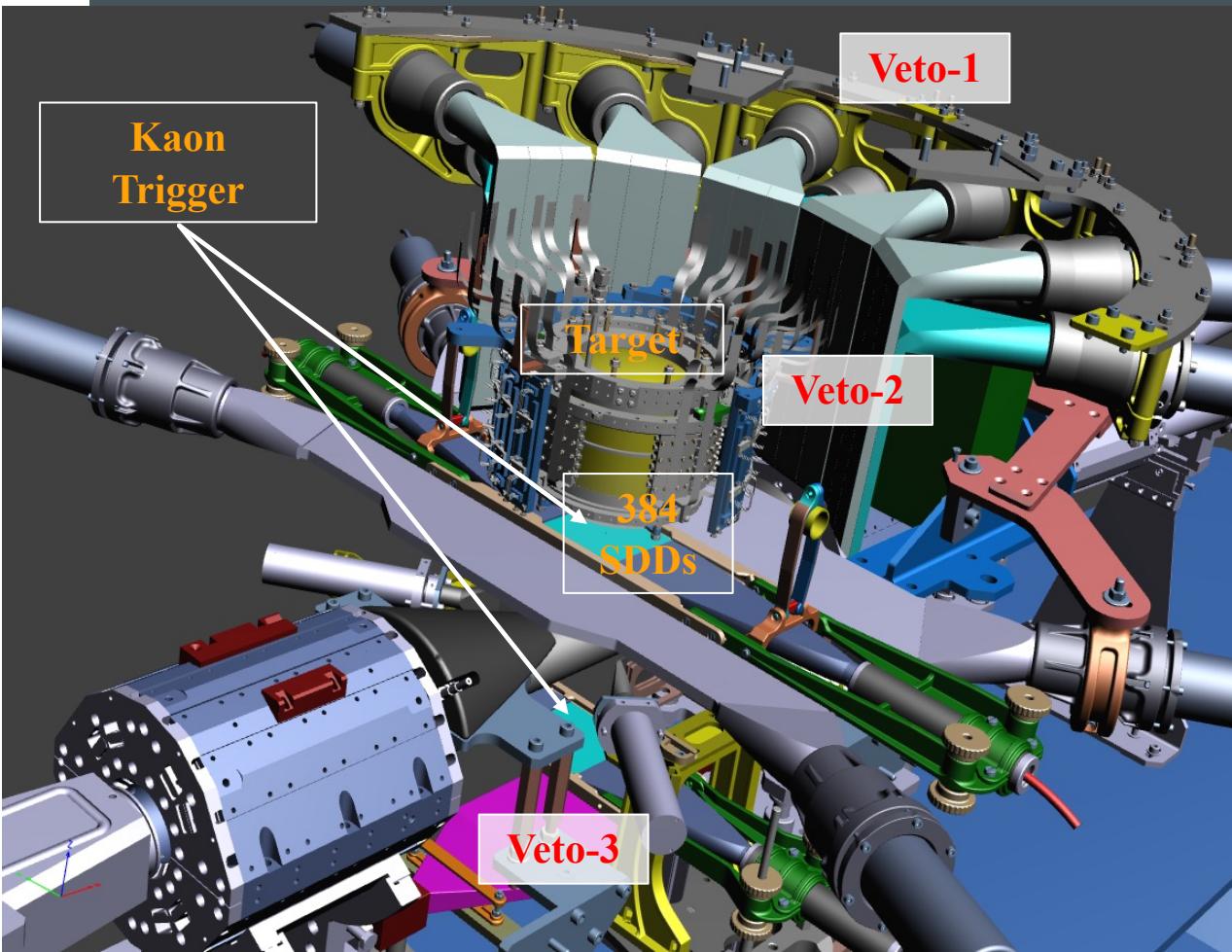
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Kaon Trigger and SDDs drift time for asynchronous background reduction

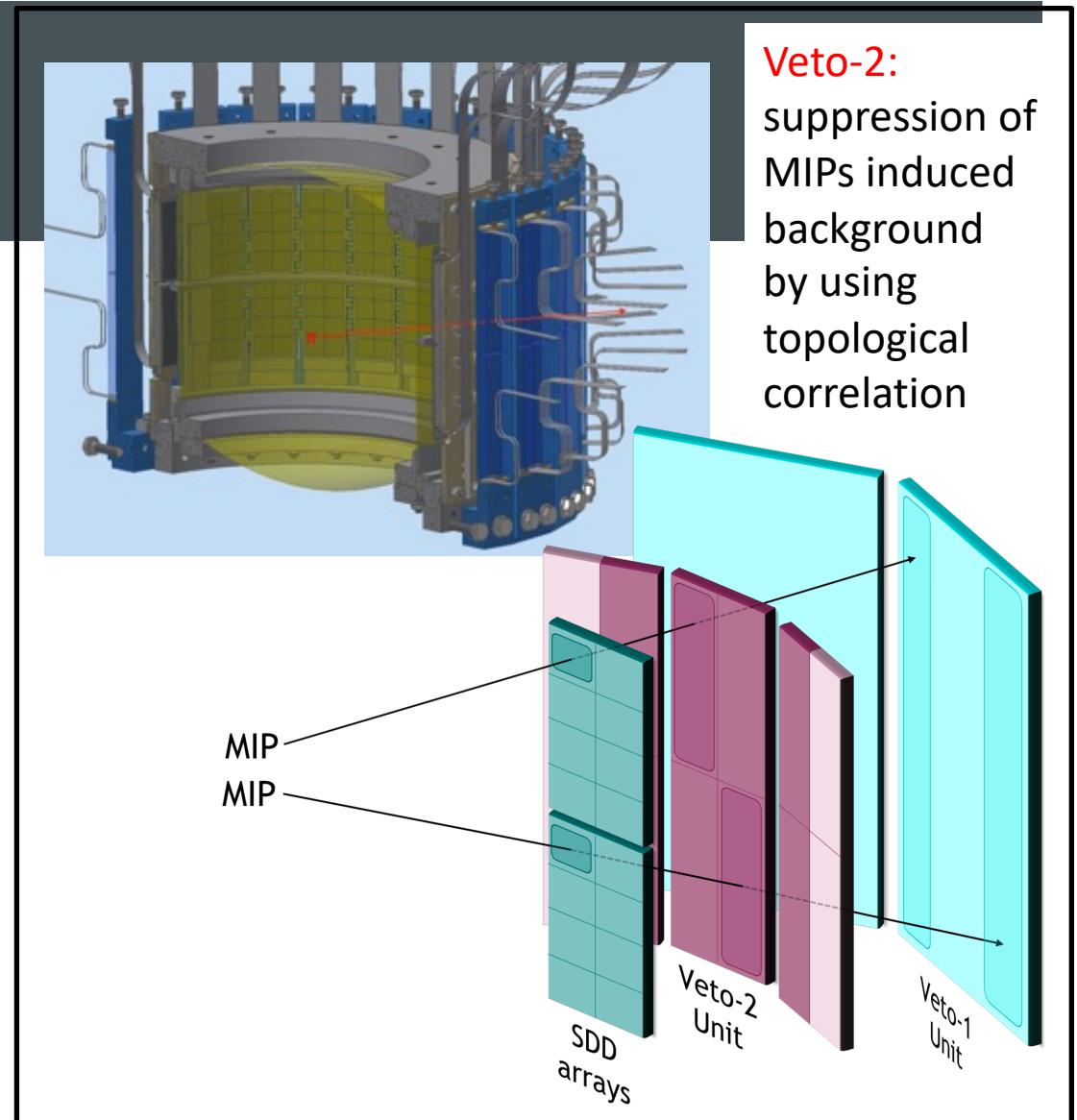


Kaonic deuterium data analysis – Run1

Veto-2 for synchronous background reduction



Three Veto systems for synchronous background reduction (M. Iliescu, J. Zmeskal, M. Tuchler...)

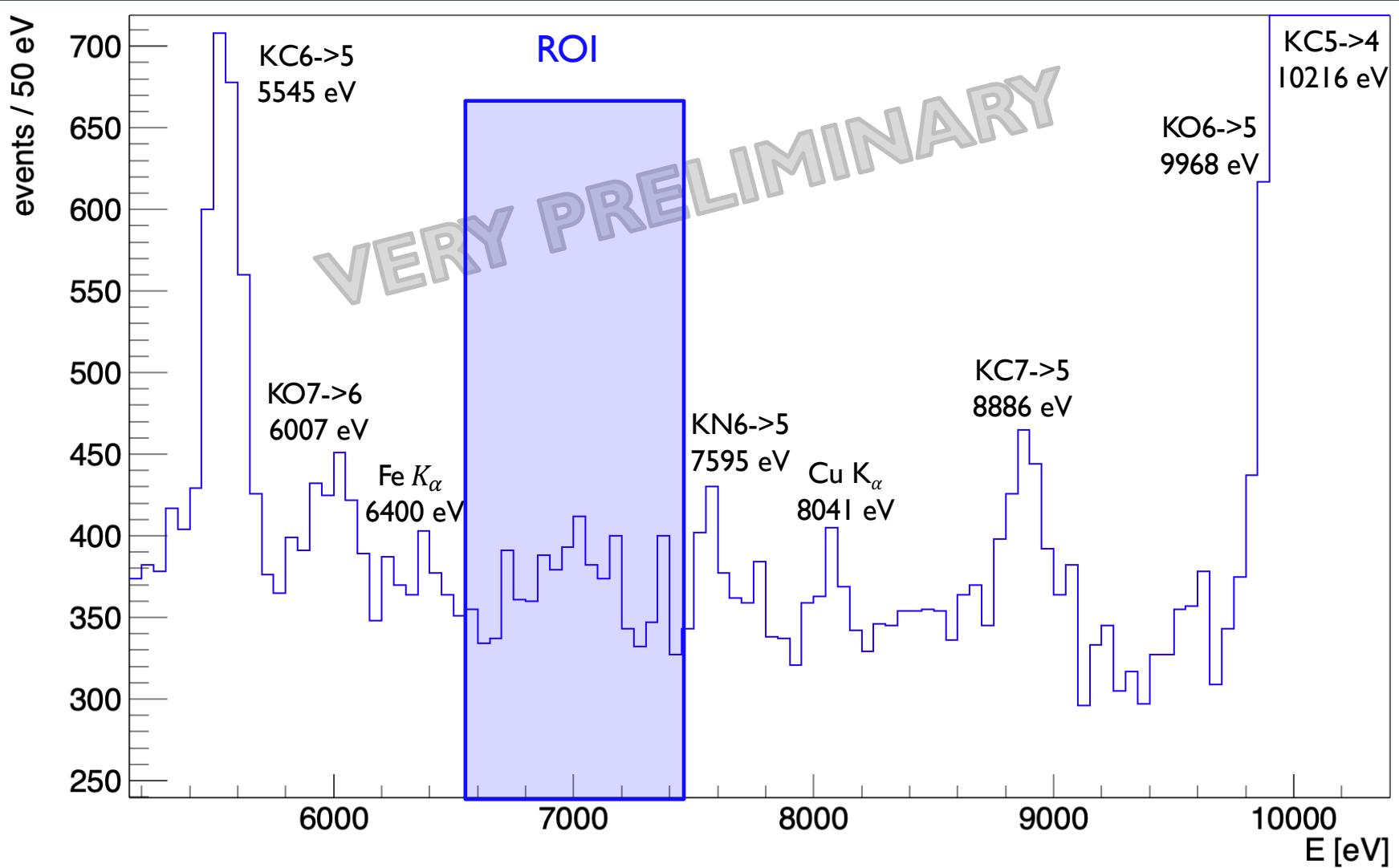


M. Tuchler et al., The SIDDHARTA-2 Veto-2 system for X-ray spectroscopy of kaonic atoms at DAΦNE, JINST, accepted

Kaonic deuterium data analysis – Run1

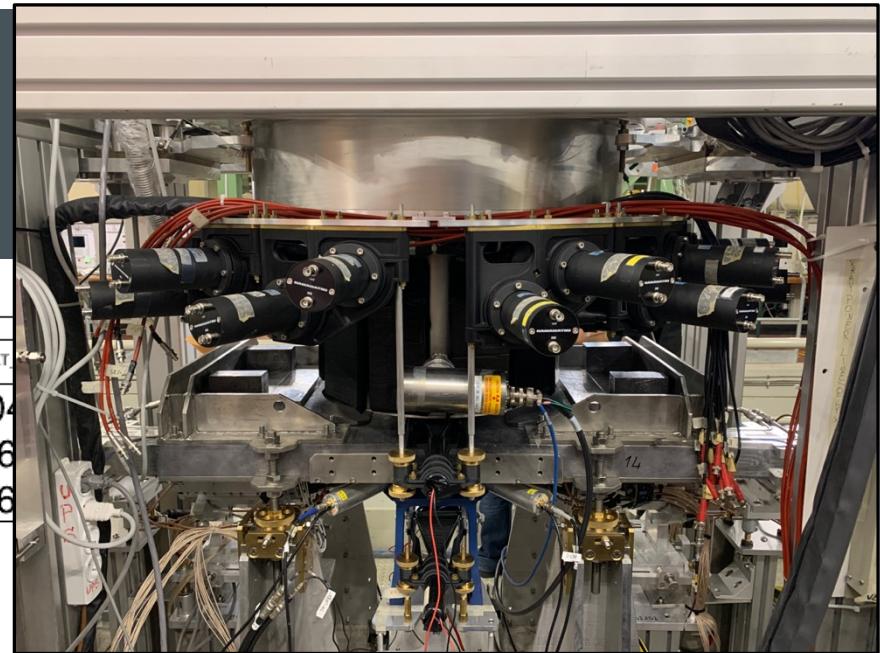
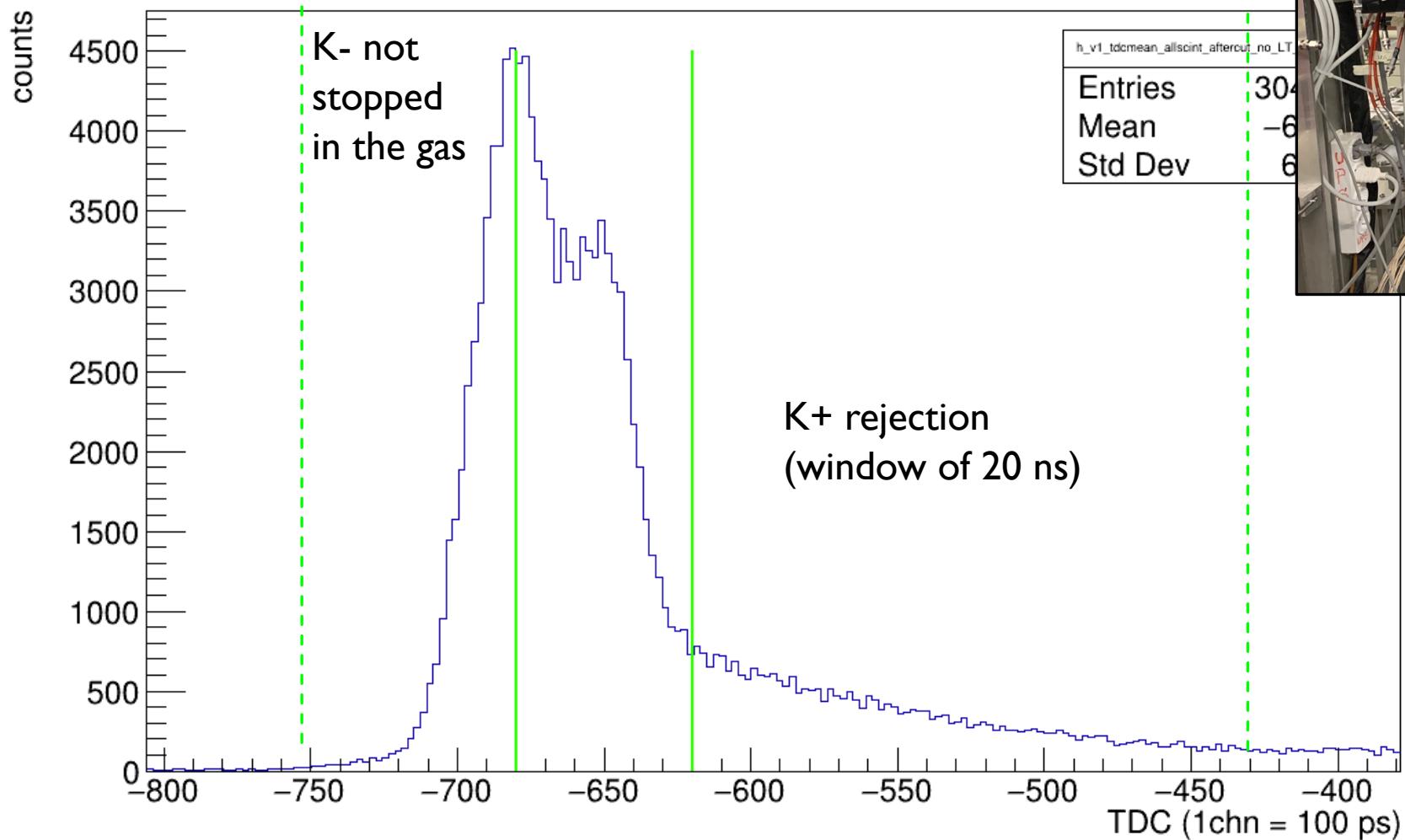
First run, May – July 2023, integrated luminosity 200 pb^{-1} (with injections)

✓ Refined data calibration completed



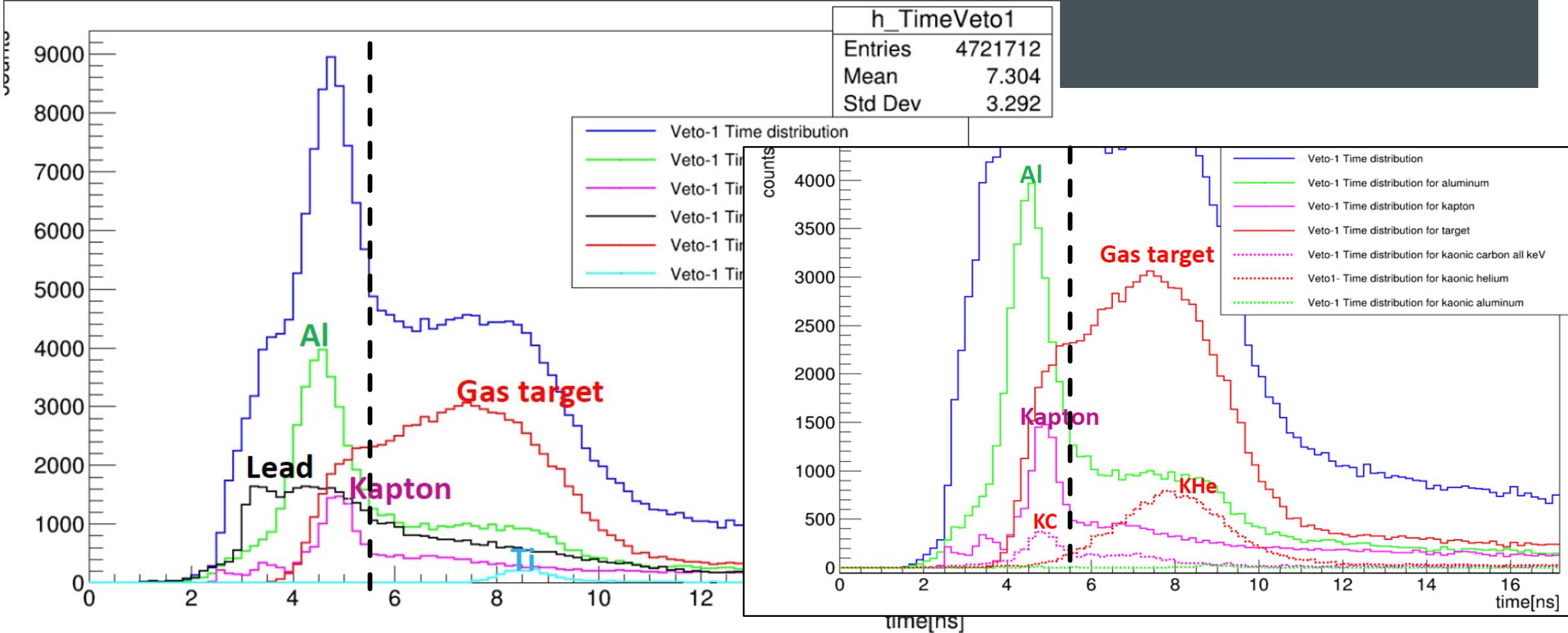
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Veto-I for synchronous background reduction



Veto-1 system optimization with kaonic He

MC simulations and kaonic He data have been used to tune the Veto-1 system

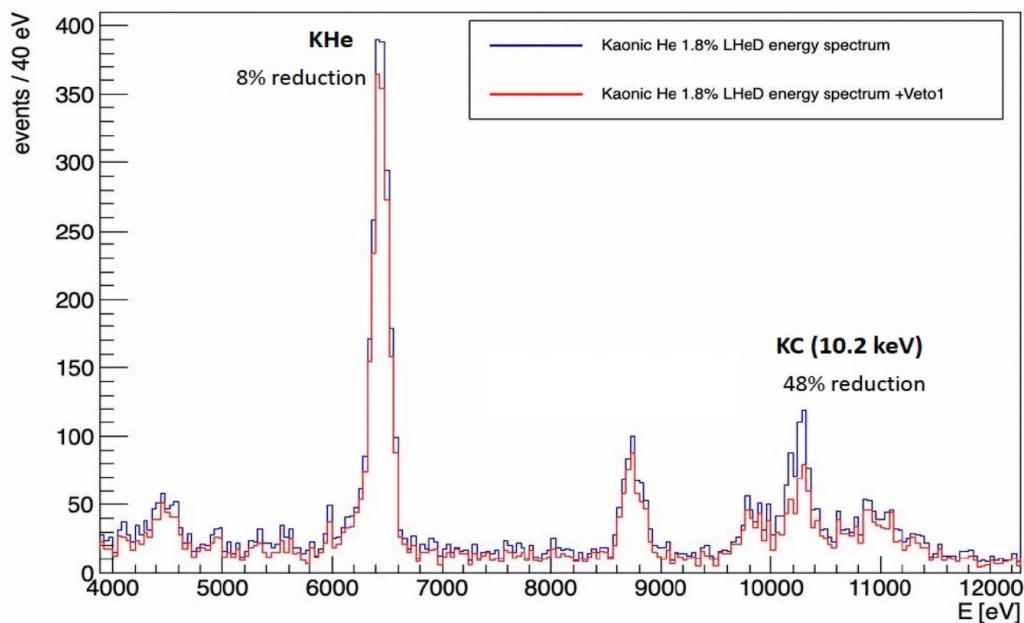
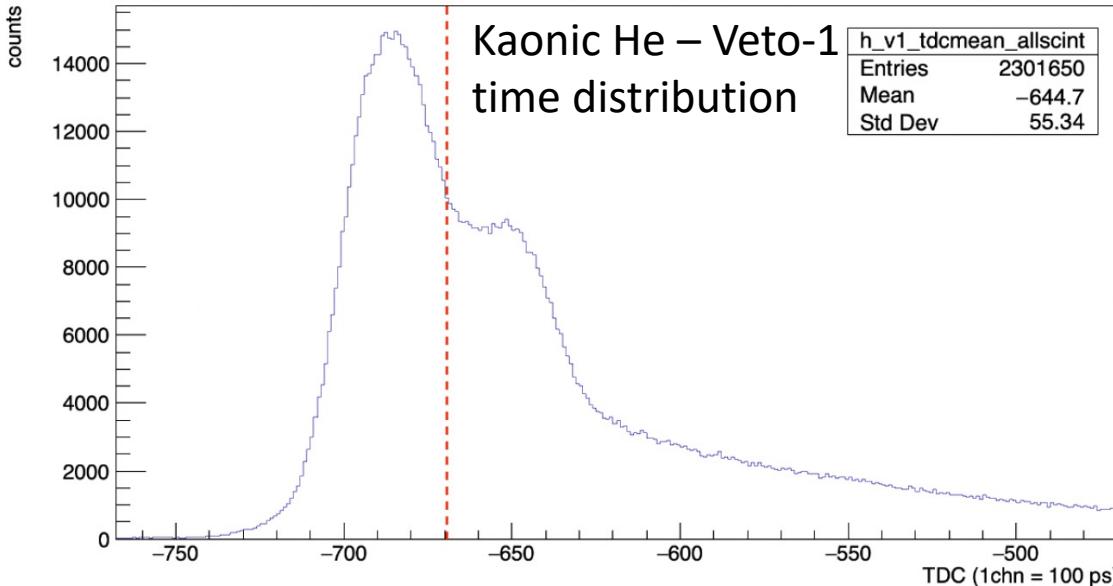


MC simulation to disentangle the several contributions and provide the right time selection cut

(M. Iliescu, D. Sirghi, K. Dulski)

Veto-1 system optimization with kaonic He

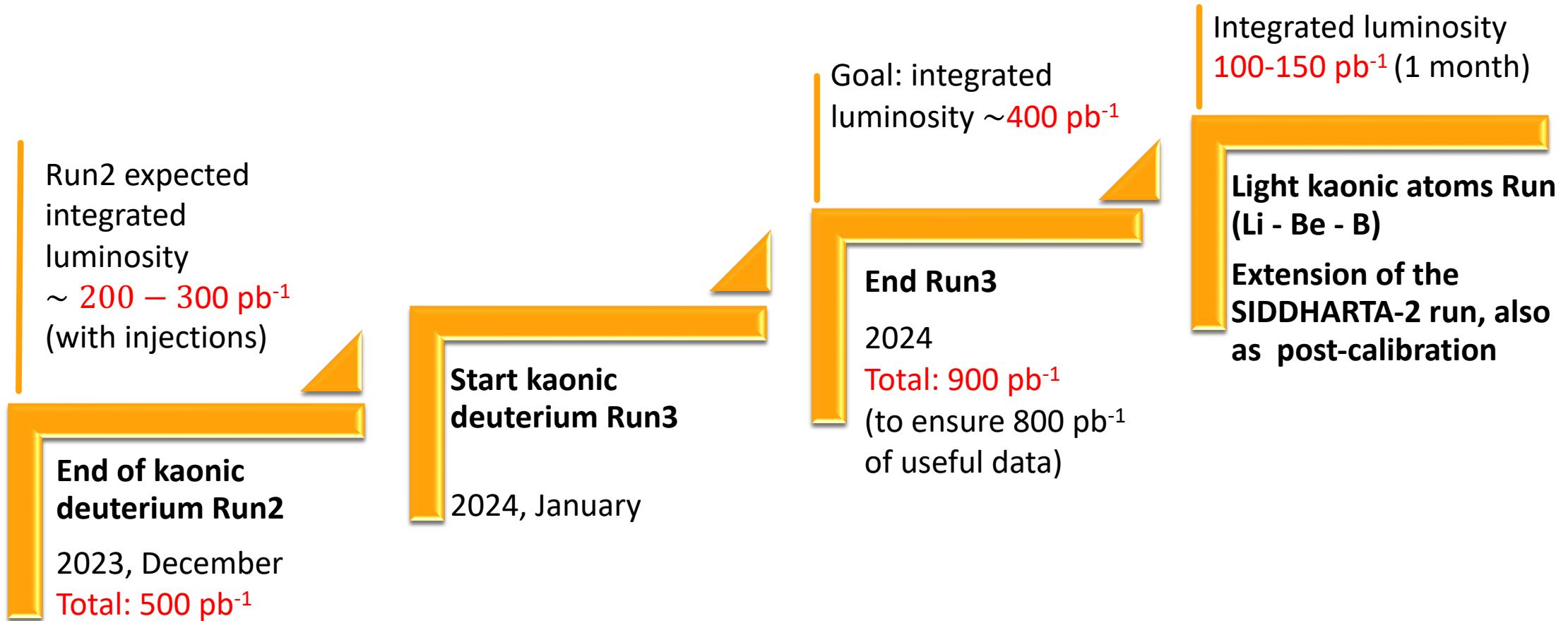
MC simulations and kaonic He data have been used to tune the Veto-1 system



	SIDDAHTA-2 veto-1 reduction	MC expectation veto-1 reduction
Kaonic He $\text{L}\alpha$	8%	4%
Kaonic Carbon $5 \rightarrow 4$	48%	44%

Project Timeline – Future plans

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- Third run 2024 – goal: 400 pb^{-1}
- Calibration: solid targets – Li, B, Be – $100\text{-}150 \text{ pb}$



SIDDHARTA-2 main outcomes 2022-2023

- KHe L-transition measurement in gas : J. Phys. G 49 (2022) 5, 055106
- Kaonic helium-4 yields L-lines in gas : Nucl. Phys. A 1029 (2023) 122567
- First measurement ever of intermediate mass kaonic atoms: Eur. Phys. J. A 59(2023)3, 56
- First Measurement of KHe M-lines : paper ready to be submitted to J. Phys. G
- First Measurement ever of kaonic Neon (record of precision < 1 eV) : analysis on going with implication on the kaon mass
- **First measurement of kaonic deuterium (200 pb⁻¹) : analysis on going**

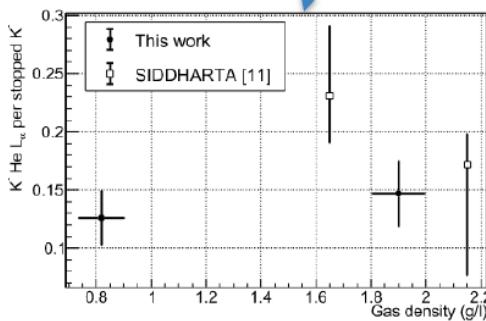


Fig. 3. The L_α X-ray yield of K^- ⁴He as function of the target density from all gaseous target measurements: this work (filled dots) and SIDDHARTA [16] (hollow squares).

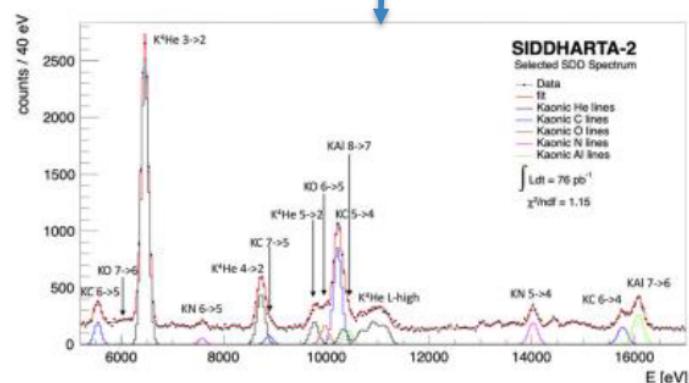


Fig. 6 SDD energy spectrum and fit of SIDDHARTA-2 and SIDDHARTINO summed data after background suppression (see text). The kaonic helium signals are seen as well as the kaonic carbon (KC), oxygen (KO), nitrogen (KN) and aluminium (KAI) peaks

$\epsilon_{2p} = E_{\text{exp}} - E_{\text{e.m.}} = 0.2 \pm 2.5(\text{stat}) \pm 2.0(\text{syst}) \text{ eV}$
 $\Gamma_{2p} = 8 \pm 10 \text{ eV (stat).}$

