

LRT2010 – Draft Program Agenda (Rev 5)

Surface auditorium, SNOLAB building, Vale Creighton Mine #9, Sudbury (Canada)
28th-29th August 2010

Saturday 28th August

- 8:00-8:45 Registration desk open. Coffee, juice and pastries available.
8:45am Start of workshop conference
5 min SNOLAB Welcome (**Nigel Smith** - SNOLAB Director)
5 min LU Welcome (**P. Sawyer** – LU VP Research or **D. Giroux** – LU President)
5 min Workshop overview, announcements, and administration comments (**R. Ford**)
- 9:00-10:20 **Session 1 – Overview of global low radioactivity measurement facilities (chair: **A. McDonald**)**
20 min North American facilities – **Reyco Henning**
20 min European facilities – **Luciano Pandola**
20 min Asian facilities – **Masayuki Nakahata**
20 min Future facilities: DUSEL – **Murdock Gilchriese**
- 10:20-10:40 Coffee break
- 10:40-12:30 **Session 2 – Low background counting techniques (chair: **T. Noble**)**
20 min Ultra high purity ICP-MS – **Balz Kamber**
20 min NAA techniques and applications – **Ryan MacLellan**
20 min Ultra-sensitive NAA measurement of ²³²Th in copper – **Massimiliano Clemenza**
20 min High efficiency liquid scintillator neutron vetoes – **Alex Wright**
20 min BiPo detector for ultralow radioactivity measurements – **Mathieu Bongrand**
10 min *Extra questions and discussion*
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch break
- 1:30-3:30 **Session 3 – Screening facilities and low background detectors (chair: **N. Smith**)**
20 min FAARM at DUSEL – **Prisca Cushman**
20 min Low background counting at SNOLAB – **Ian Lawson**
20 min Low background physics at Kimbalton Mine – **Sean MacMullin**
20 min Radon at Homestake and the Sanford low background lab - **Keenan Thomas**
20 min Muon-shielded counting facility at Soudan – **Nathaniel Pastika**
10 min XIA surface alpha counter – **Jodi Cooley**
10 min Betacage at CDMS – **Zeesh Ahmed**
- 3:30-3:50 Coffee break
- 3:50-5:30 **Session 4 – Fabrication methods and surface contamination control (chair: **D. Sinclair**)**
20 min Background reduction in electroformed UHP-Cu – **Eric Hoppe**
20 min Radon daughter deposition model – **Vince Guiseppe**
20 min Acrylic purifications and coatings – **Marcin Kuzniak**
20 min Production of low radioactivity crystals for CUORE – **Ioan Dafinei**
20 min Low radioactivity CaF₂ scintillator crystals for CANDLES – **Izumi Ogawa**

Sunday 29th August

- 8:30-9:00 Coffee, juice and pastries available.
- 9:00-10:40 **Session 5 – Experiments using low background techniques (chair: A. Hallin)**
- 20 min Low background techniques at XMASS – **Atsushi Takeda**
- 20 min Front end electronics and cable for Majorana Demonstrator – **James Loach**
- 20 min Low background issue in Edelweiss-II – **Pia Loaiza**
- 20 min Low background techniques in SuperNEMO – **Frederic Perrot**
- 20 min Background reduction for DEAP3600 – **Bei Cai**
- 10:40-11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00-12:30 **Session 6 – Low background cryogenic and gas purification techniques (chair: C. Virtue)**
- 20 min Low background techniques in GERDA – **Hardy Simgen**
- 20 min Behavior of ^{222}Rn at cryogenic temperatures – **Sebastian Lindemann**
- 20 min Xe purification and Rn measurement for EXO – **Jacques Farine**
- 20 min Rn-free air production and cleanroom system – **Aksel Hallin**
- 10 min Radon diffusion in Polyethylene – **Wolfgang Rau**
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch break
- 1:30-3:10 **Session 7 – Low background liquid purification techniques (chair: M. Nakahata)**
- 20 min Kamland liquid scintillator and gas purification – **Sei Yoshida**
- 20 min Production and purification of Nd-scintillator – **Sunej Hans**
- 20 min Lead removal from liquid scintillator for low background Kamland – **Greg Keefer**
- 20 min Production and counting of uncontained sources in SNO – **Simon Peeters**
- 20 min SNO+ scintillator purification and assay – **Richard Ford**
- 3:10-3:30 Coffee break
- 3:30-4:20 **Session 8 – Background studies, models, and simulations (chair: M. Chen)**
- 20 min Background simulations and shielding calculations – **Vitaly Kudryavtsev**
- 20 min Monte Carlo Simulation of Low Background Experiments – **Henrique Araujo**
- 20 min Production and suppression of ^{11}C – **Quirin Meindl**
- 20 min Background studies in Xenon100 dark matter experiment – **Marc Weber**
- 4:20-5:15 **Session 9 – Discussion on co-ordination and resource sharing (chairs: P. Cushman / R. Ford)**
- 1) Coordinated use of HPGe gamma-ray spectrometers, other gamma-ray and neutron detectors by different groups/collaborations;
- 2) Databases of material purity;
- 3) Joint purchasing of radio-pure materials;
- 4) Monte Carlo simulation tools;
- 5) Radon emanation measurements;
- 6) Purification processes etc.
- 5:15-5:30 **Workshop wrap-up and discussions**
- Closing comments and plans for a future workshop.
- 5:30pm End of workshop conference

Posters

Ultra-low background alpha counting for SuperCDMS – **Lauren Hsu**

Combination sorption and precipitation for treatment of liquid radioactive waste – **Vera Pllumaj**

Production and purification of depleted argon gas – **Henning Back/Cristiano Galbiati**

Low background Ge Gamma Spectrometers – **Matthias Laubenstein**

Surface impurities and cleaning techniques – **Grzegorz Zuzel**

Improved Scintillator Materials for Compact Electron Antineutrino Detectors - **Peter Dijkstra**