

# Phenomenology of low mass WIMPs

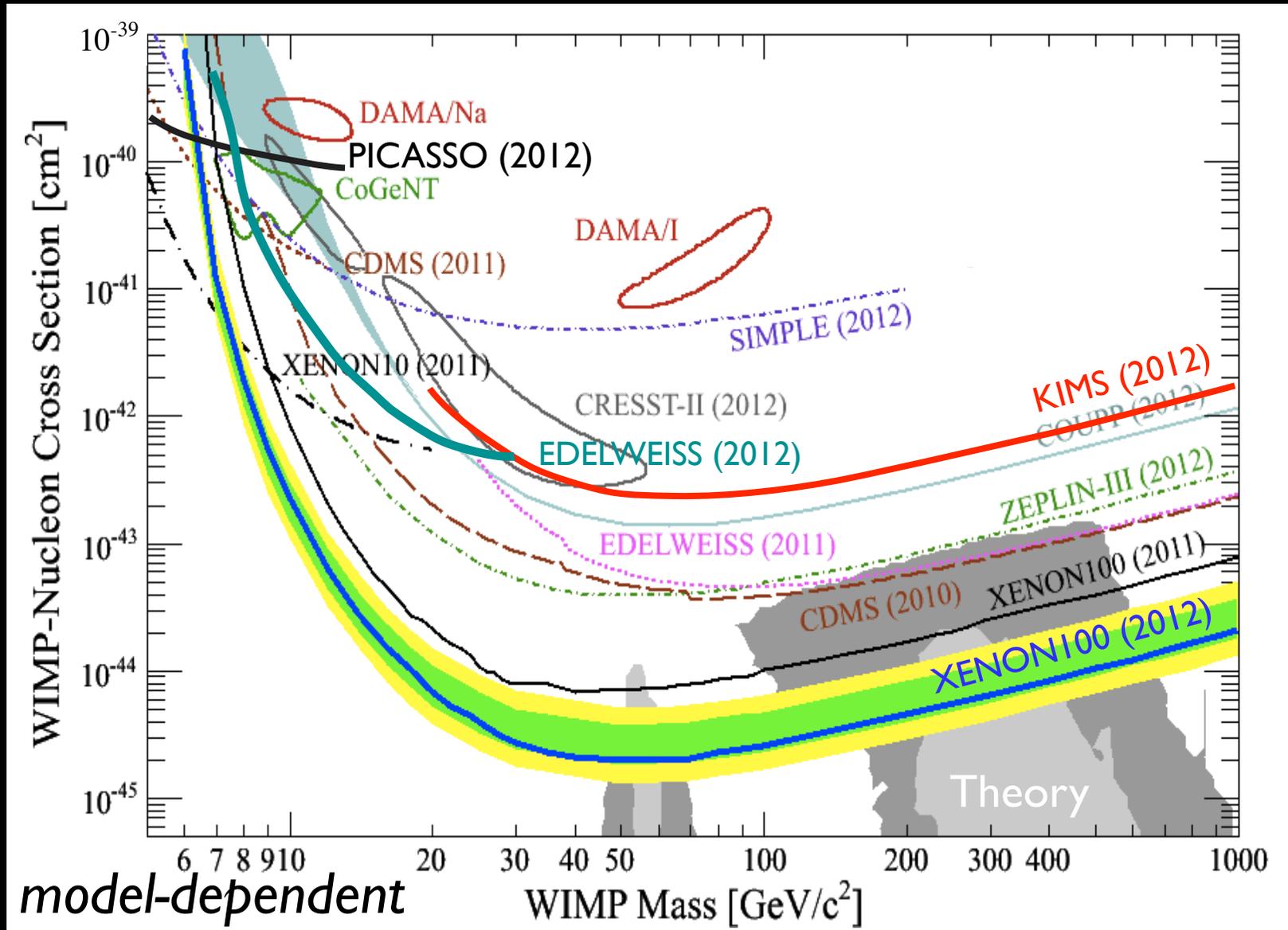
*Light dark matter*

*Weakly-interacting*

*2-10 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> mass*

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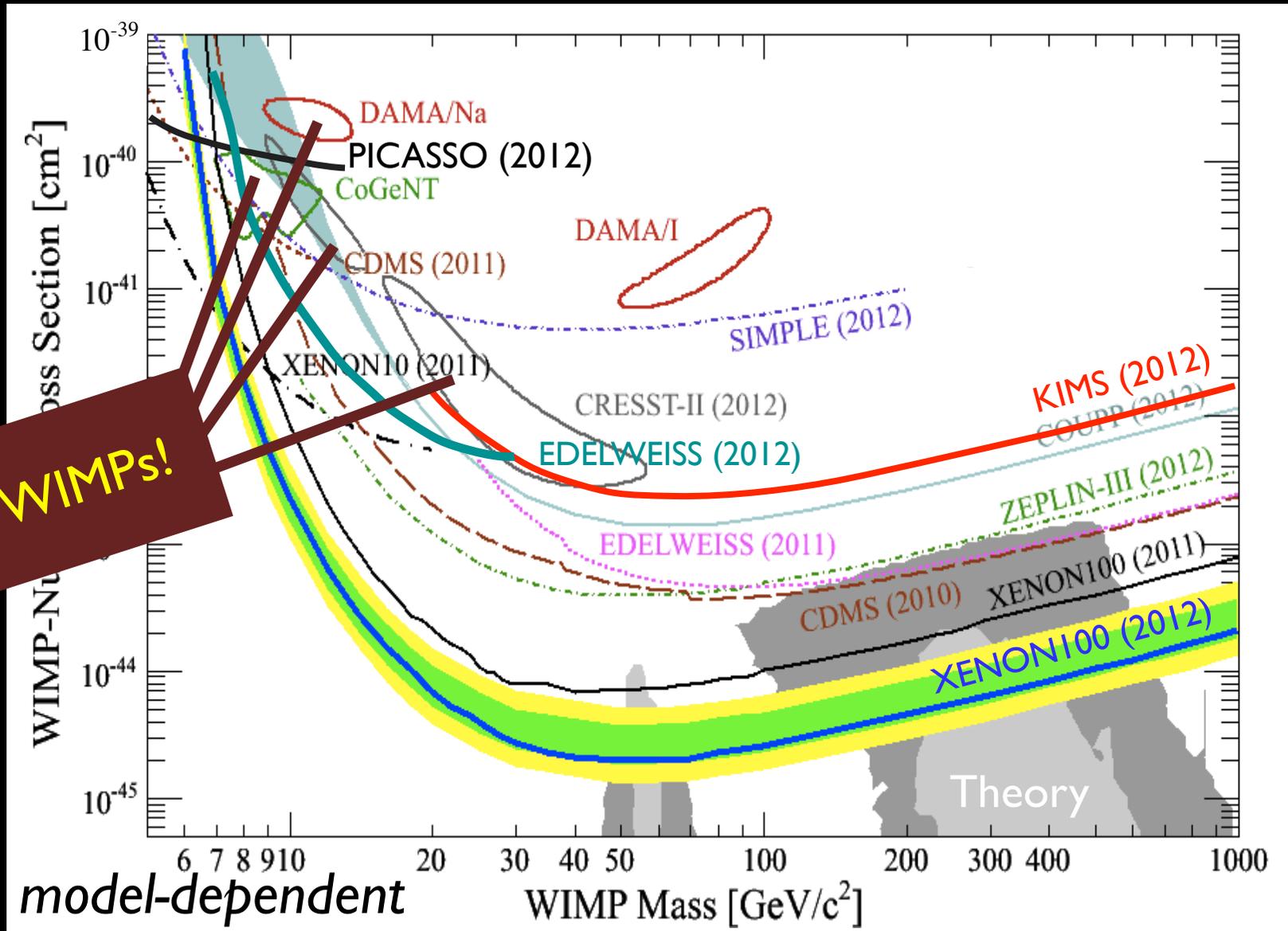
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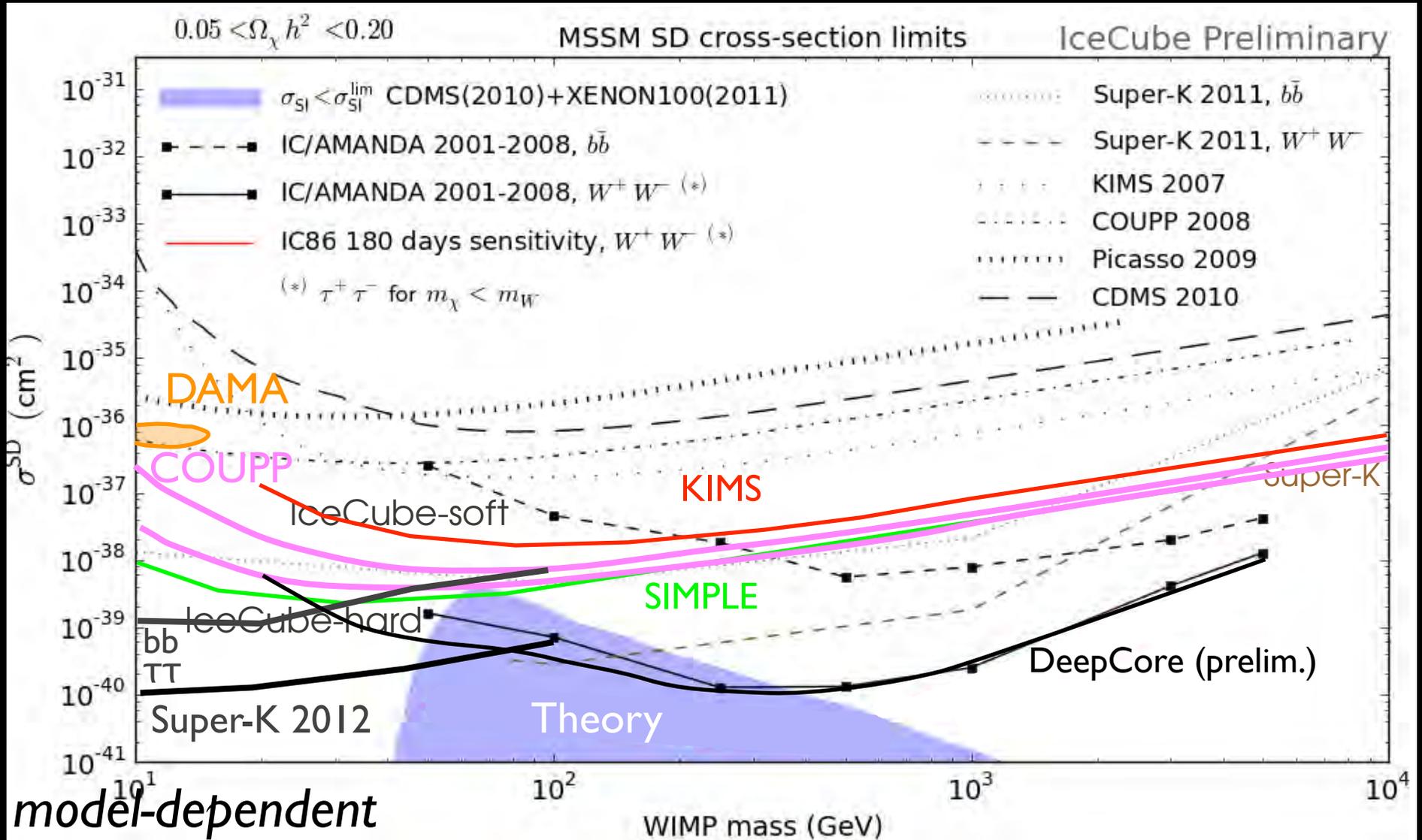
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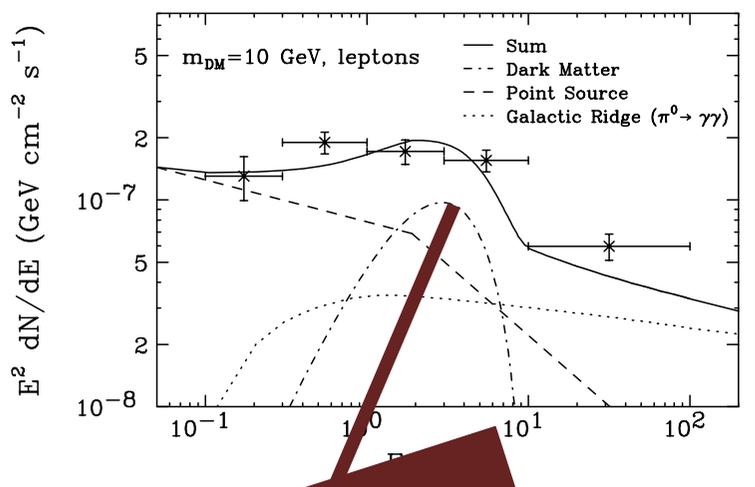
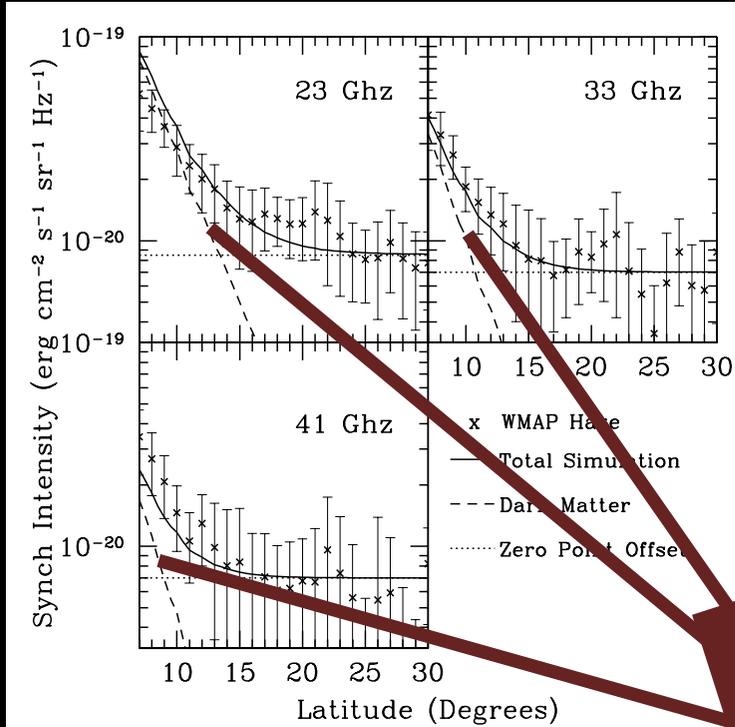
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Adapted from Danninger at TAUP 2011, Rott at Neutrino 2012

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# Many see light WIMPs in outer space

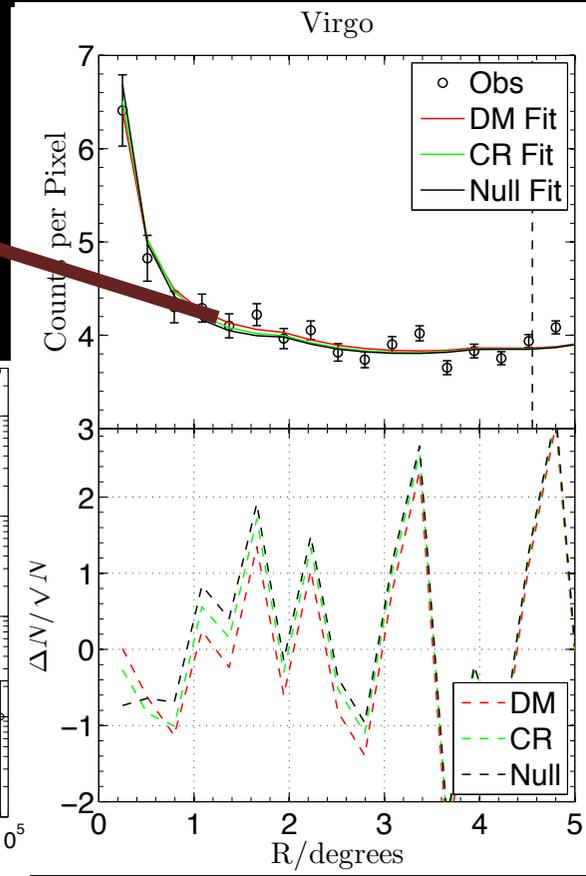
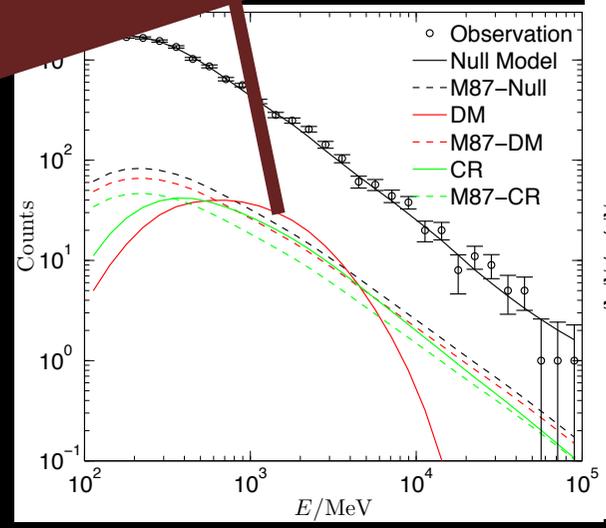


*Han et al 2012*  
Diffuse  $\gamma$ -ray excess near centers of galaxy clusters

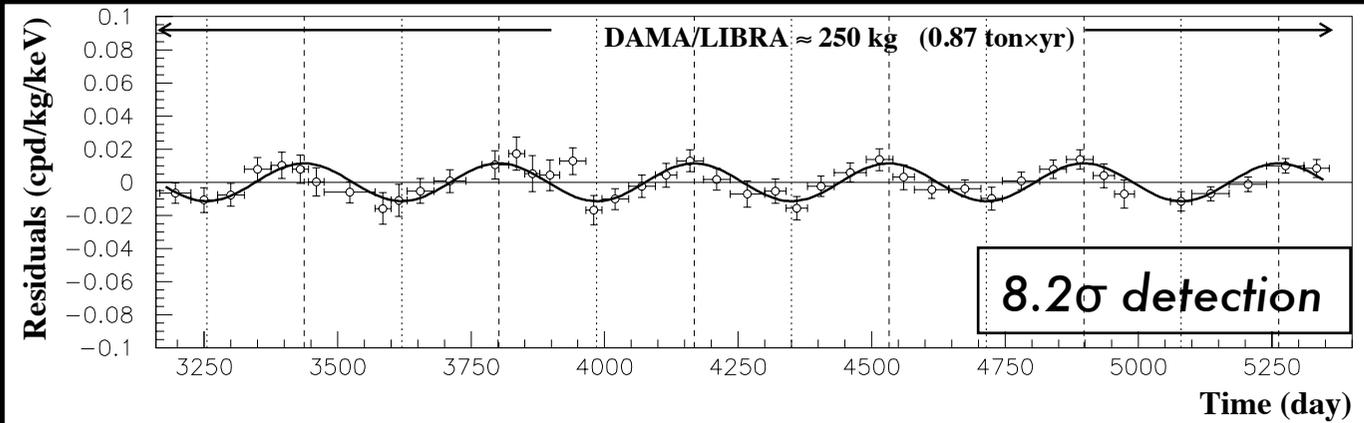
**Light WIMPs!**  
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Diffuse  $\gamma$ -ray and microwave excess near the Galactic Center

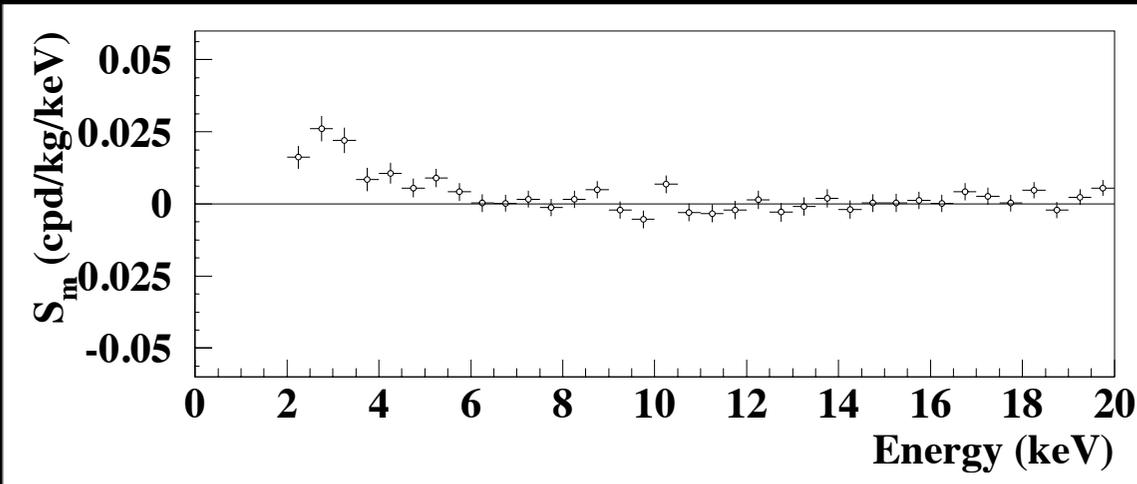
*Finkbeiner 2004*  
*Hooper et al 2007*  
*Hooper, Goodenough 2010*  
*Hooper, Linden 2010-11*



# The DAMA annual modulation

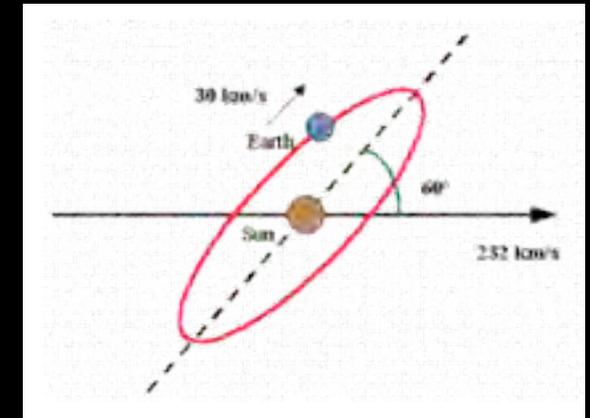


Bernabei et al 1997-10

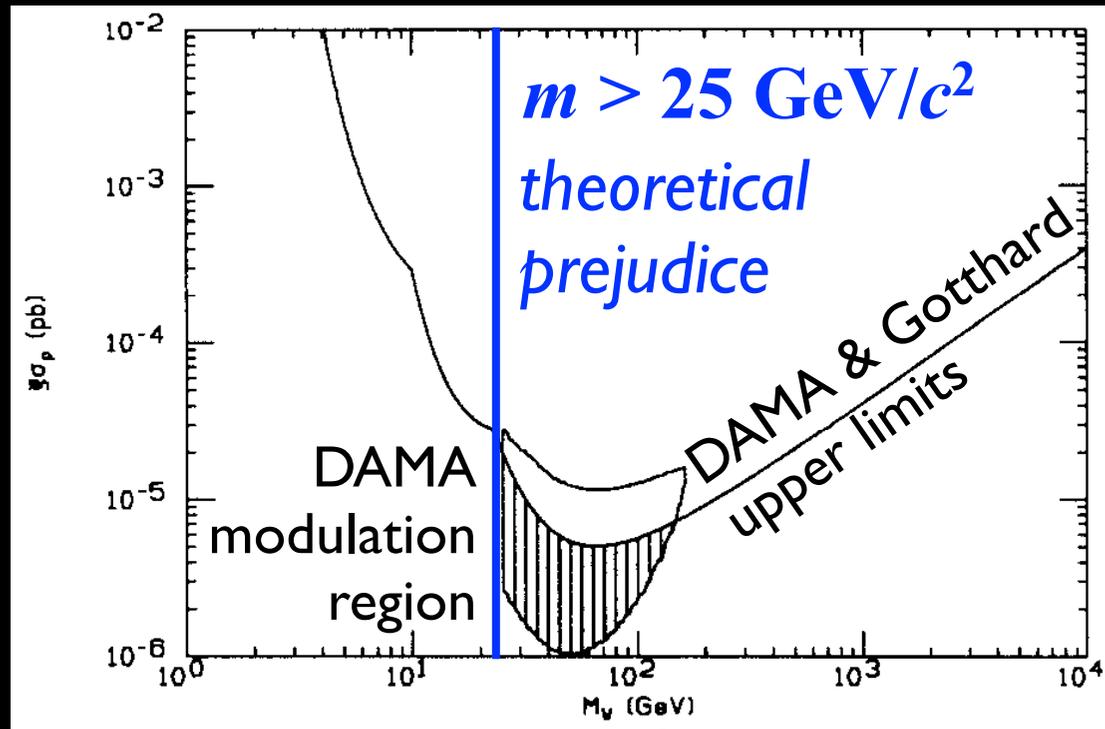


Drukier, Freese, Spergel 1986

$$S = S_0 + S_m \cos[\omega(t - t_0)]$$



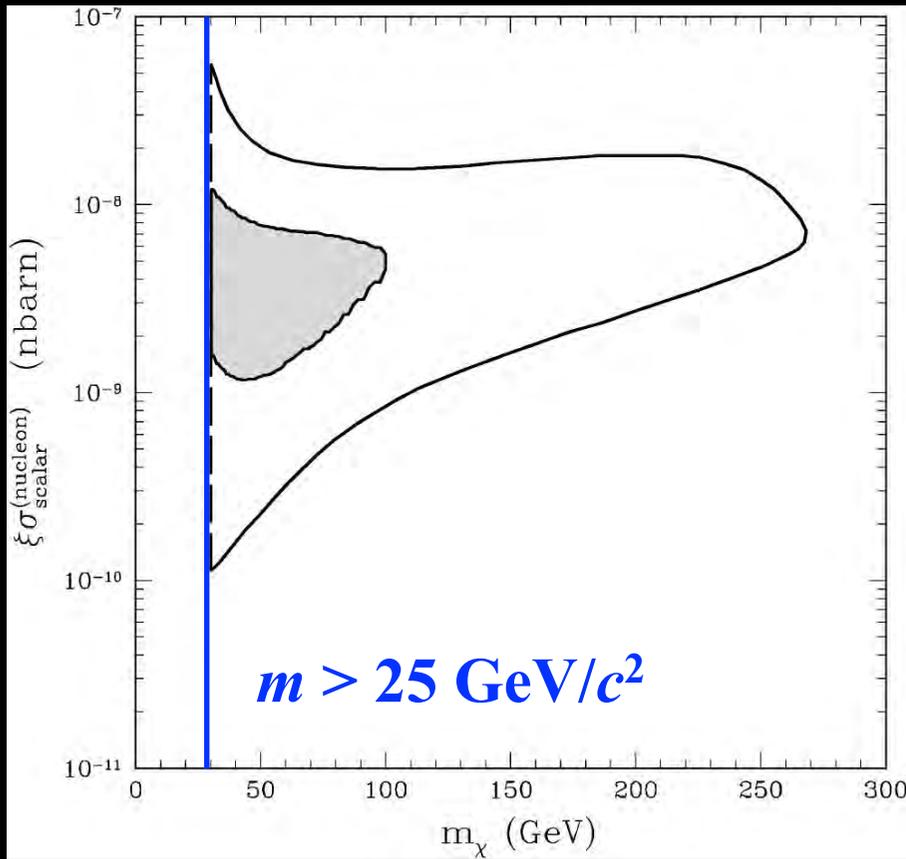
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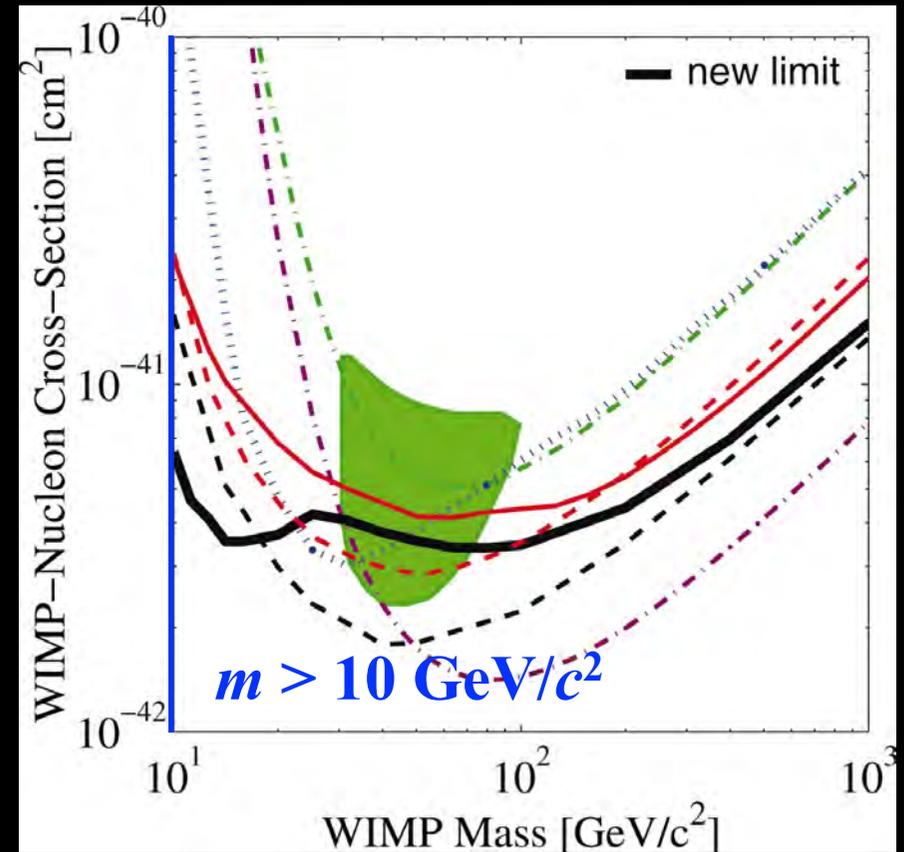
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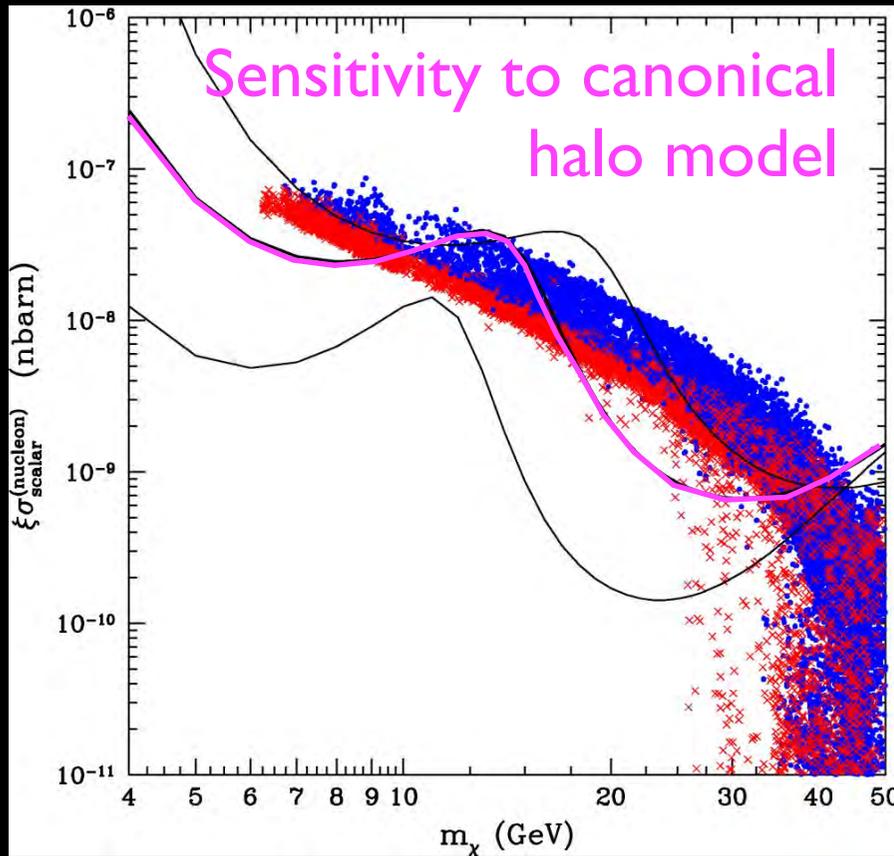
*Belli, Cerulli, Fornengo, Scopel 2002*



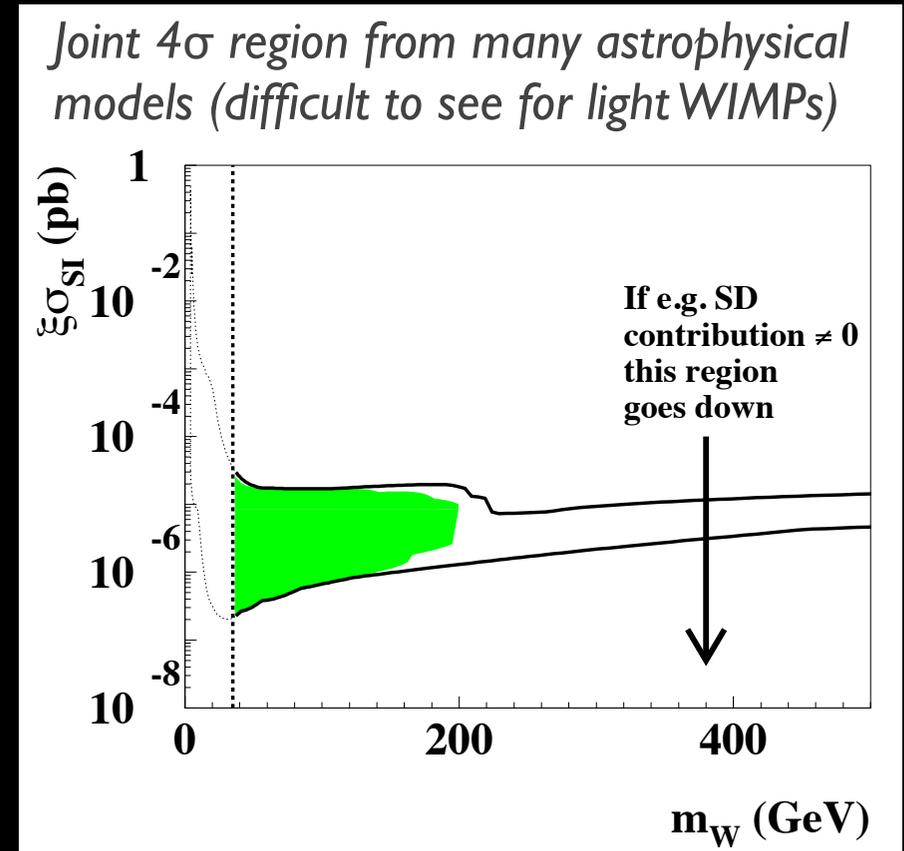
*Benoit et al 2002; Akerib et al 2003*

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Bottino, Donato, Fornengo, Scopel hep-ph/0304080



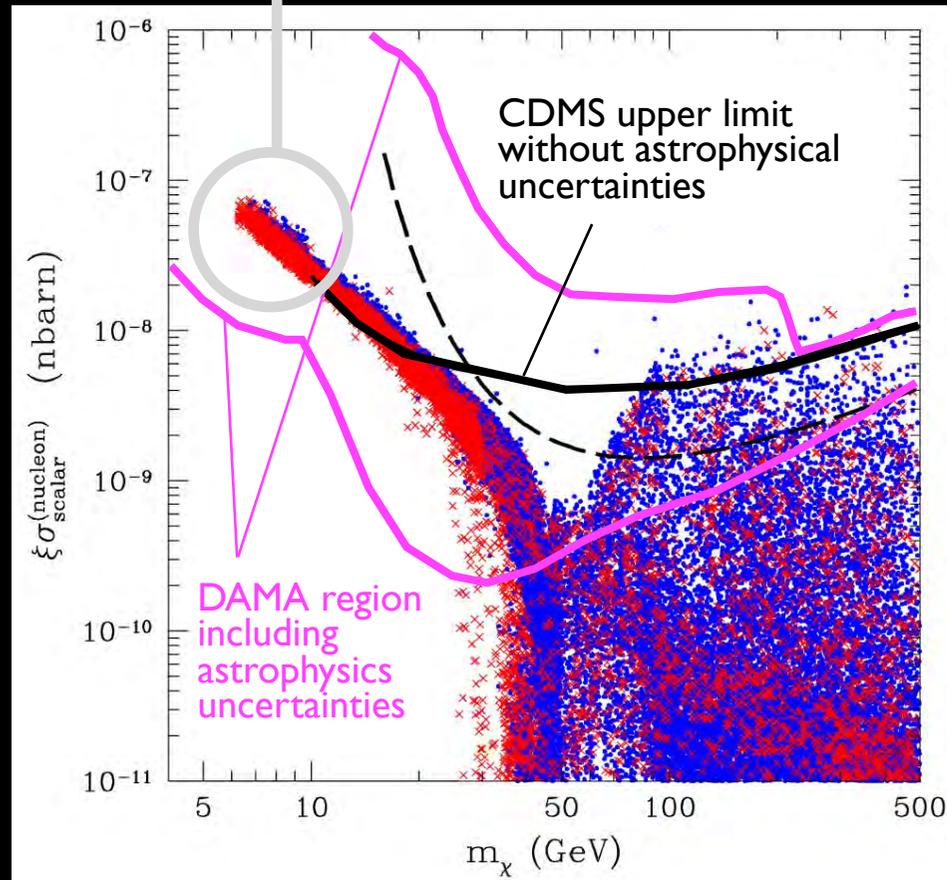
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No limits for light WIMPs



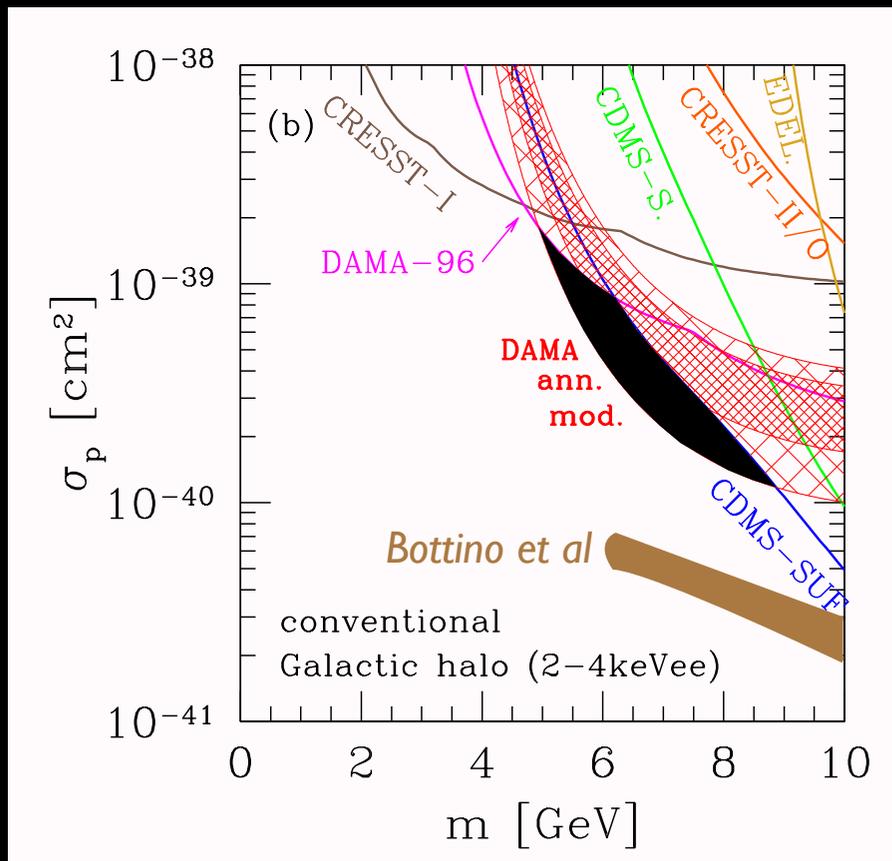
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.....and for the first time experiments were compared for light WIMPs



*Gondolo, Gelmini 2004*

*“Los muertos que vos matáis gozan de buena salud.”  
(Gelmini, TAUP 1995)*

**Light WIMPs in the Maxwellian halo model are possible!**

*Many papers after ours: Petriello, Zurek 2008; Bottino et al 2008; Chang, Pierce, Weiner 2008; Fairbairn, Schwetz 2008; Hooper, Petriello, Zurek, Kamionkowski 2008; Chang, Kribs, Tucker-Smith, Weiner 2008; Savage, Gelmini, Gondolo, Freese 2008, 2010; .....*

# The CoGeNT modulation

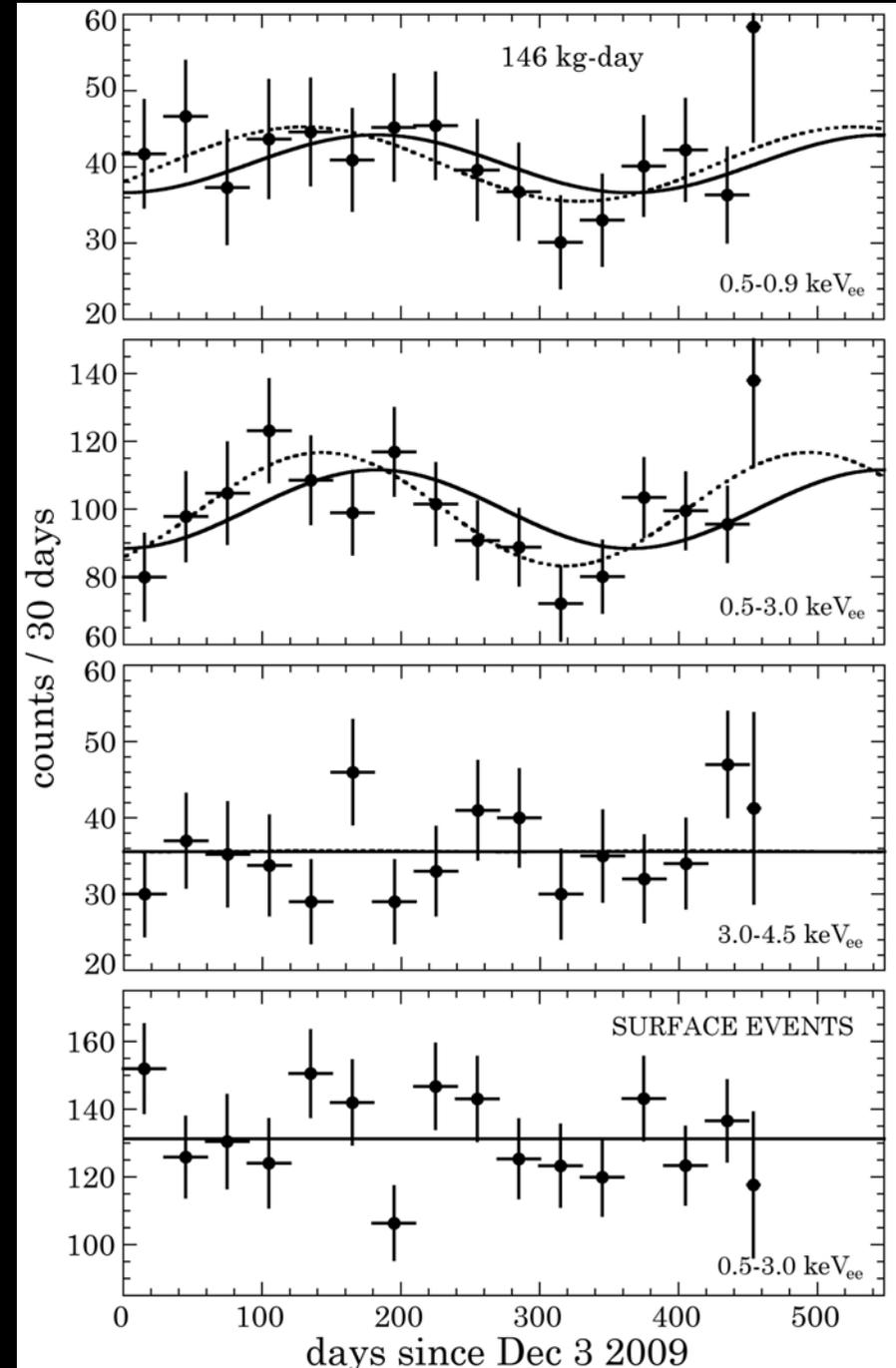
The CoGeNT “irreducible excess” (\*) modulates with a period of one year and a phase compatible with DAMA’s annual modulation.

*Aalseth et al 1106.0650*

(\*) *Partly due to extra surface events*

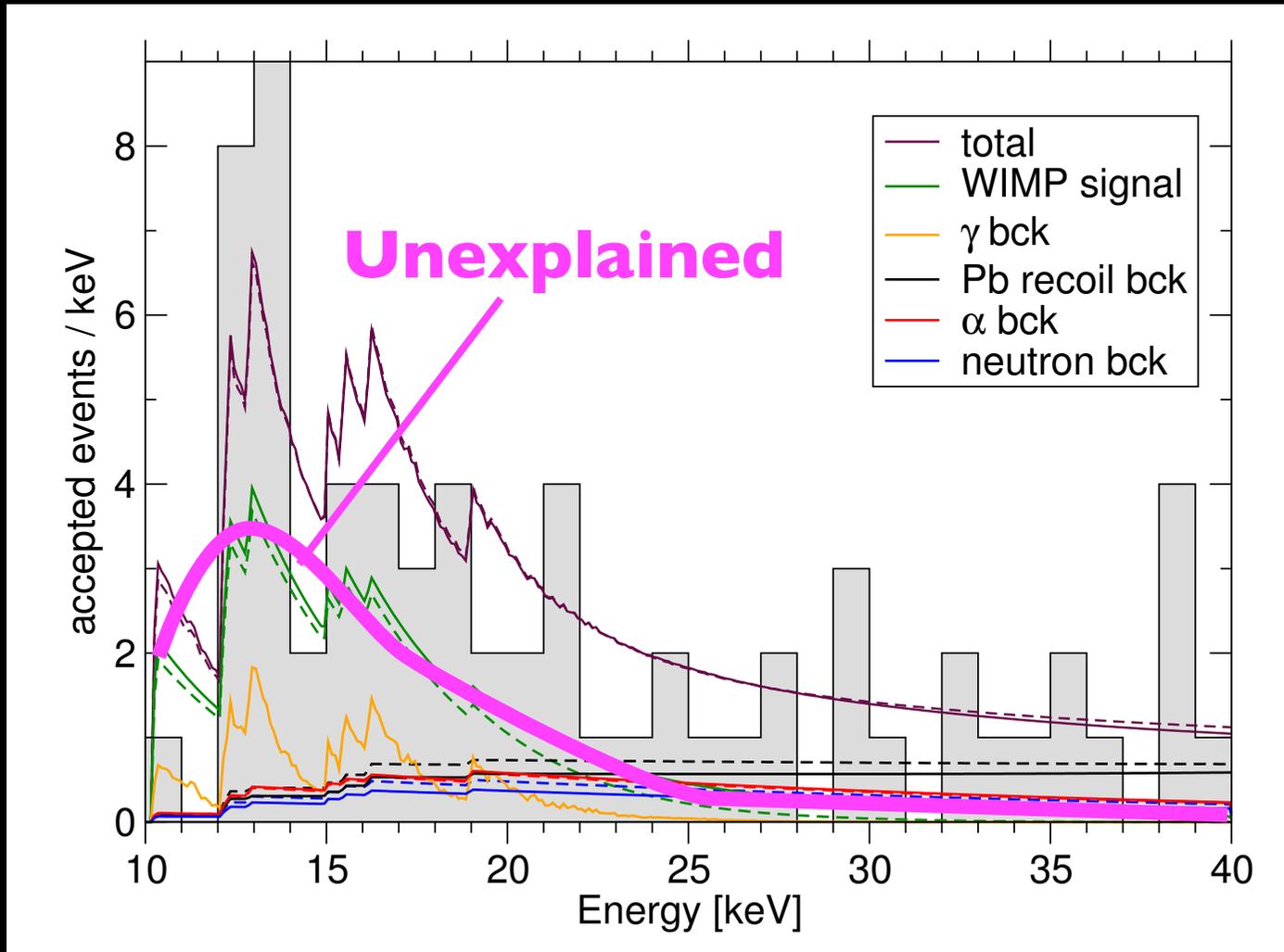
*Caveat:  
“Rates look flatter on second year.”*

*Collar, this conference*



# The CRESST unexplained excess

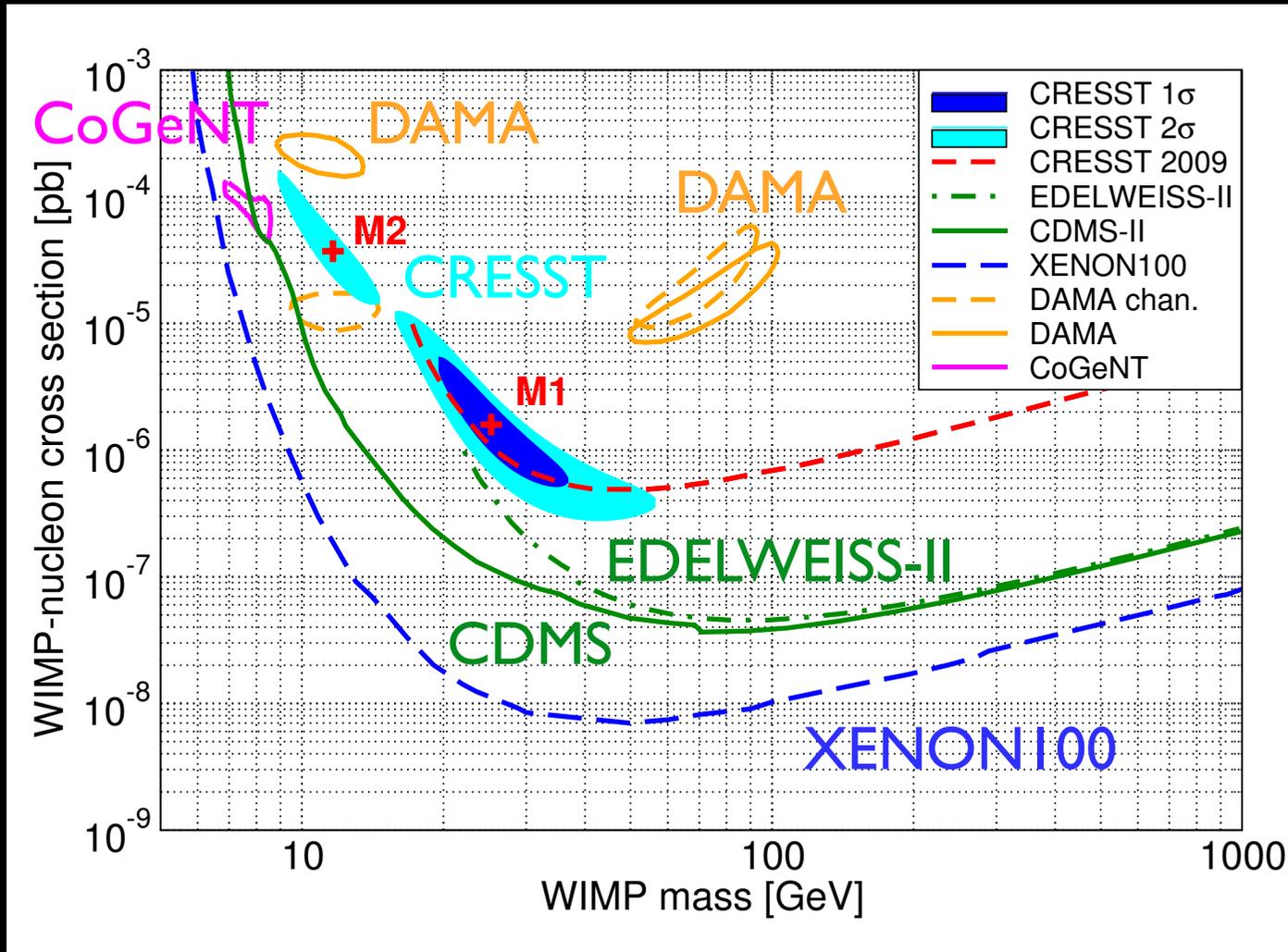
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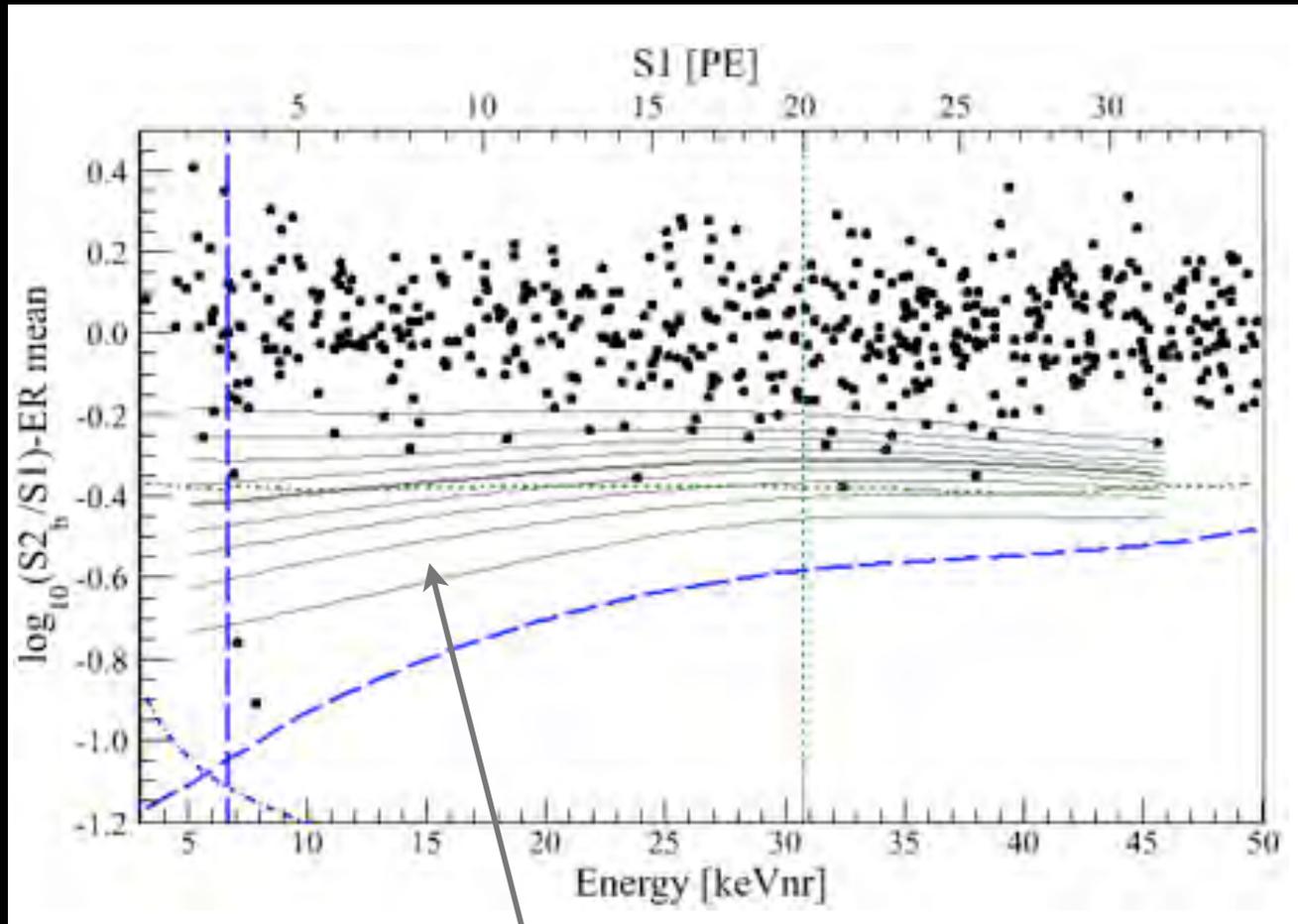


*model-dependent*

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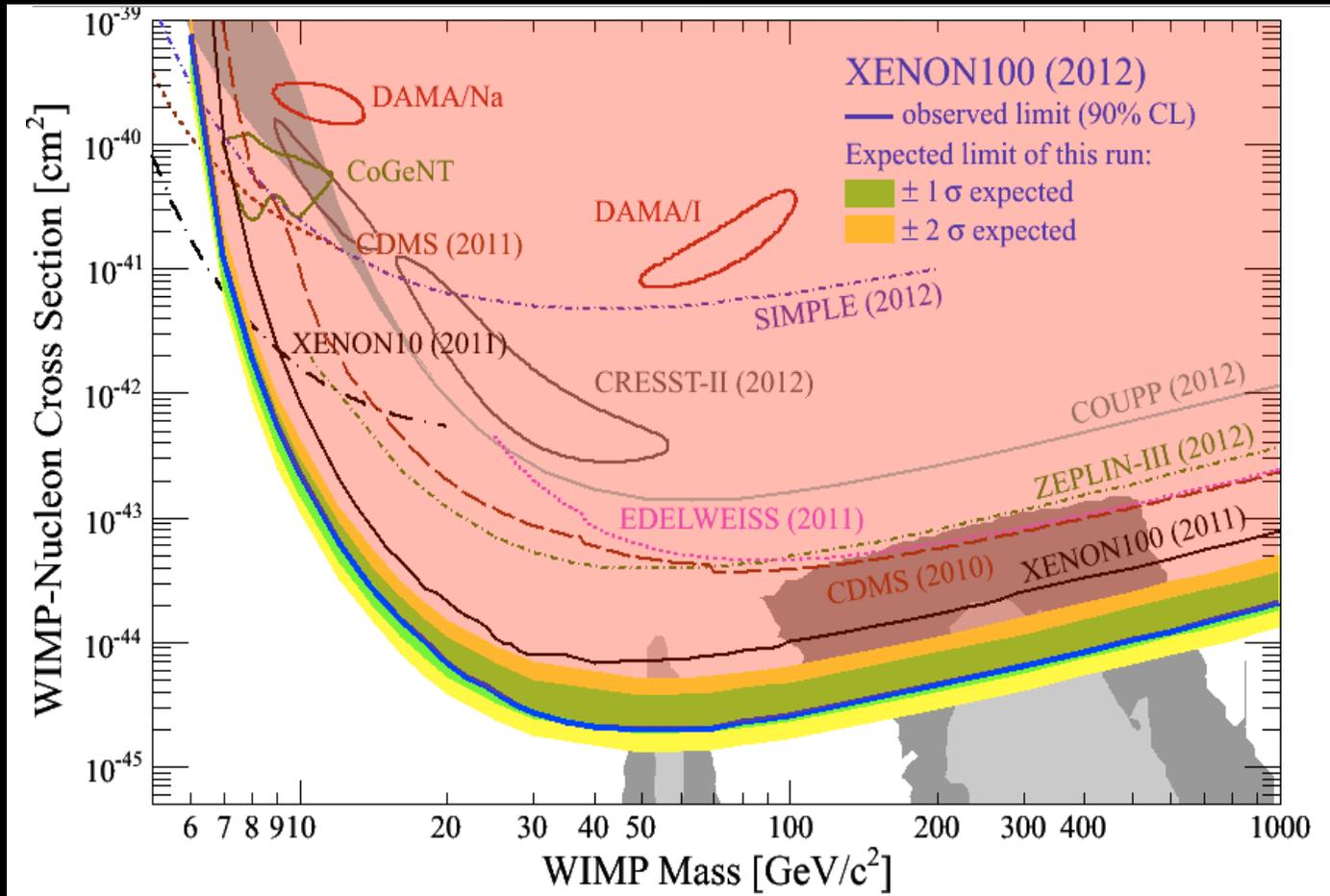
*Aprile (for XENON-100 collab.), DarkAttack 2012*

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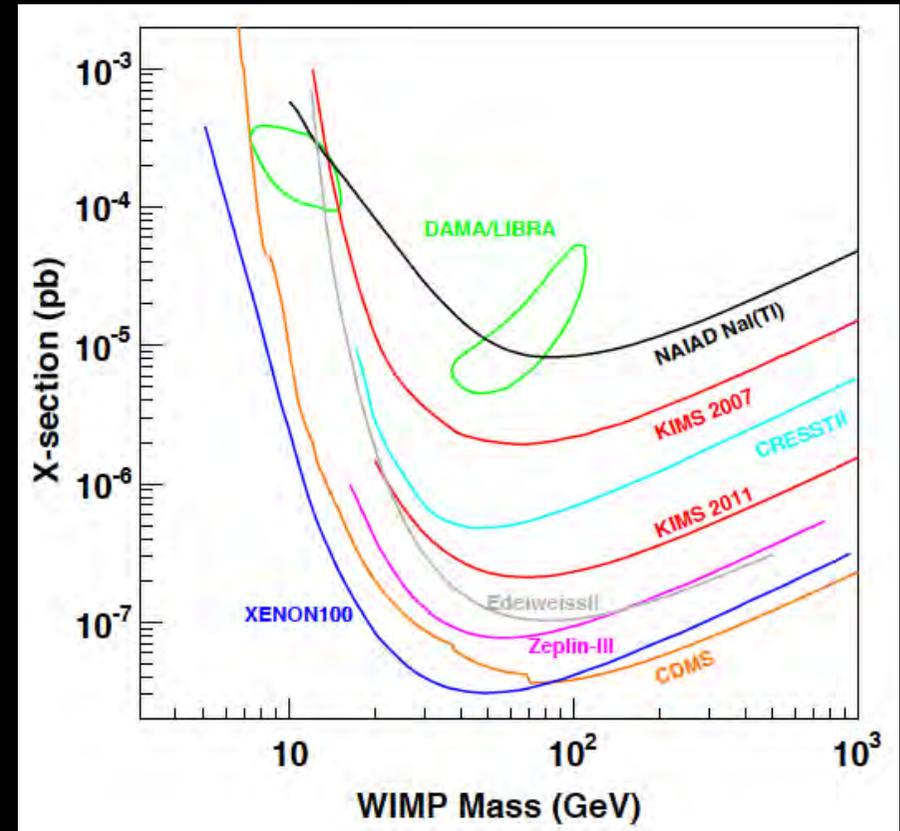
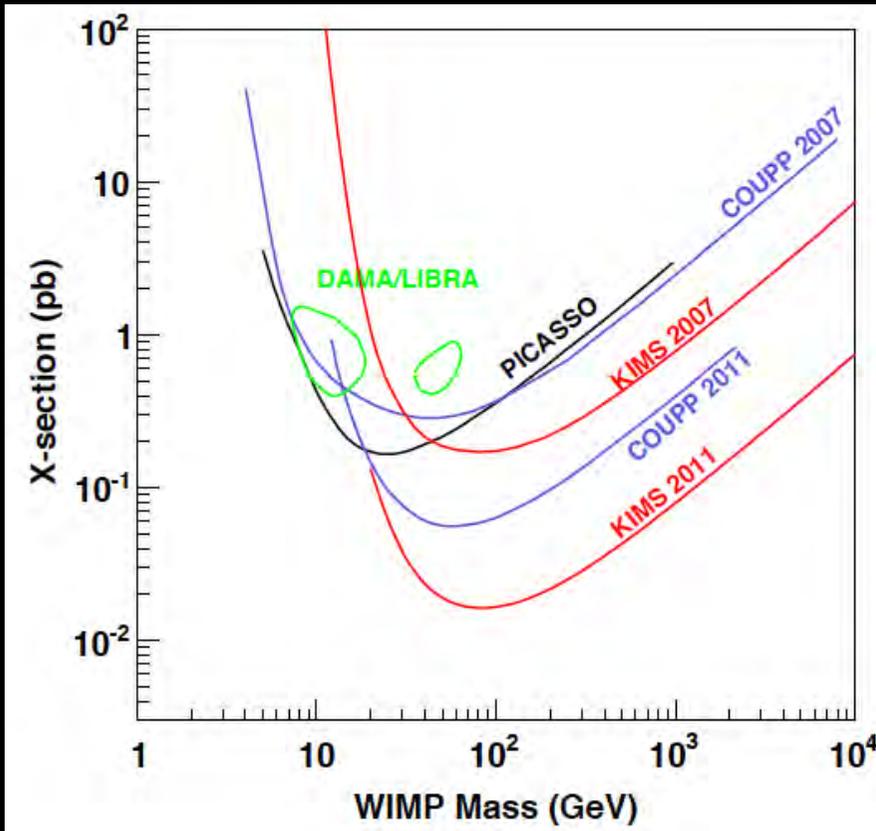
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KIMS: CsI scintillation detector  
(similar to DAMA)

- Excludes inelastic dark matter
- Excludes  $60 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  DAMA region



*Without using detectors with large surface  $\alpha$  background*

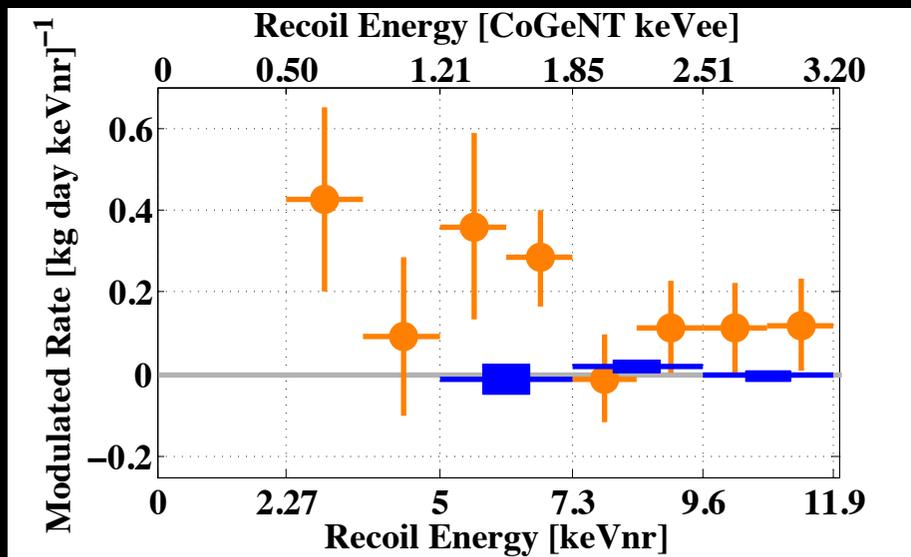
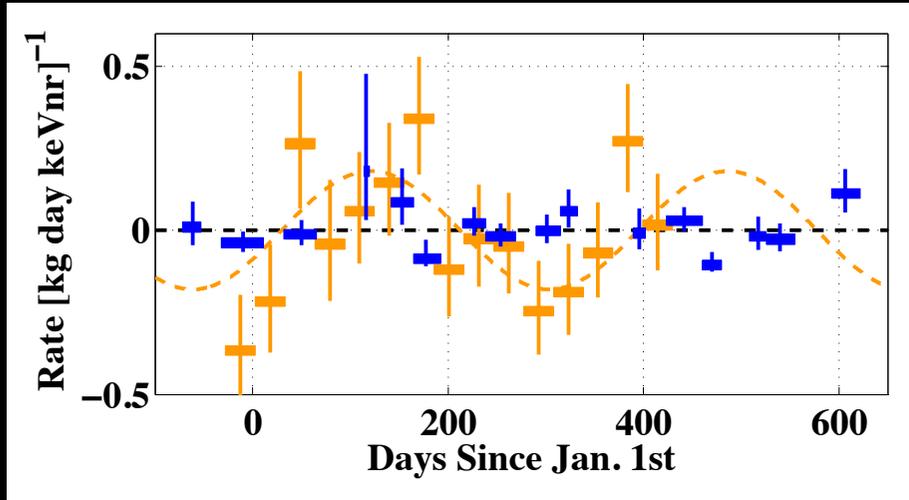
*Kim at TAUP 2011*

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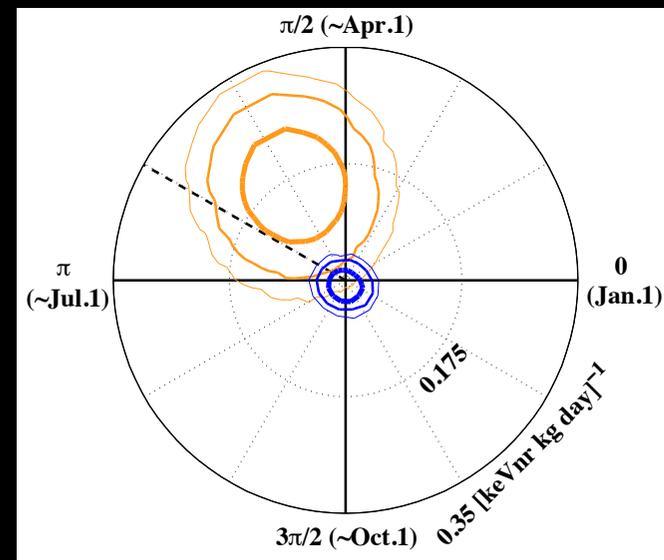
CDMS does not observe an annual modulation and constrains its amplitude

Ahmed et al 1203.1309

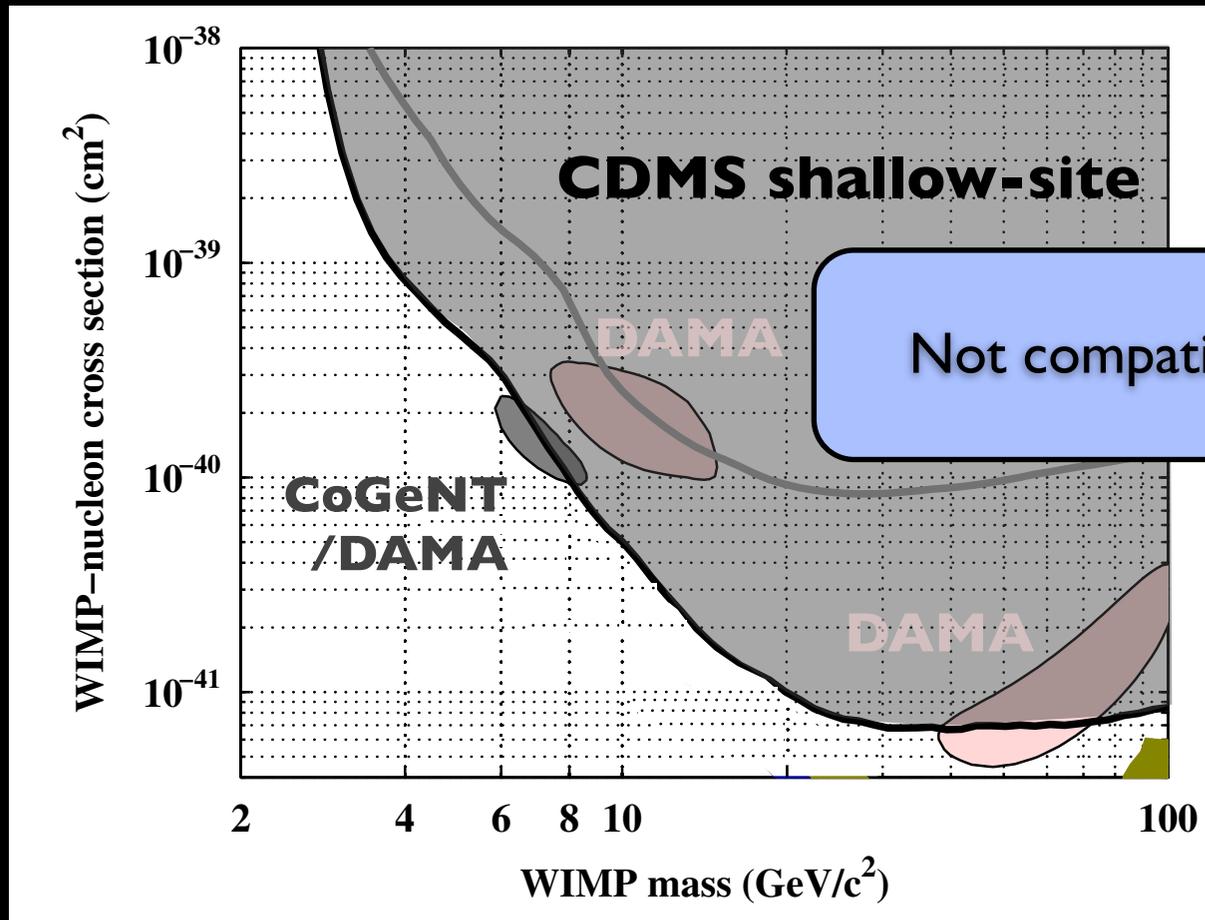
CoGeNT CDMS



*model-independent*

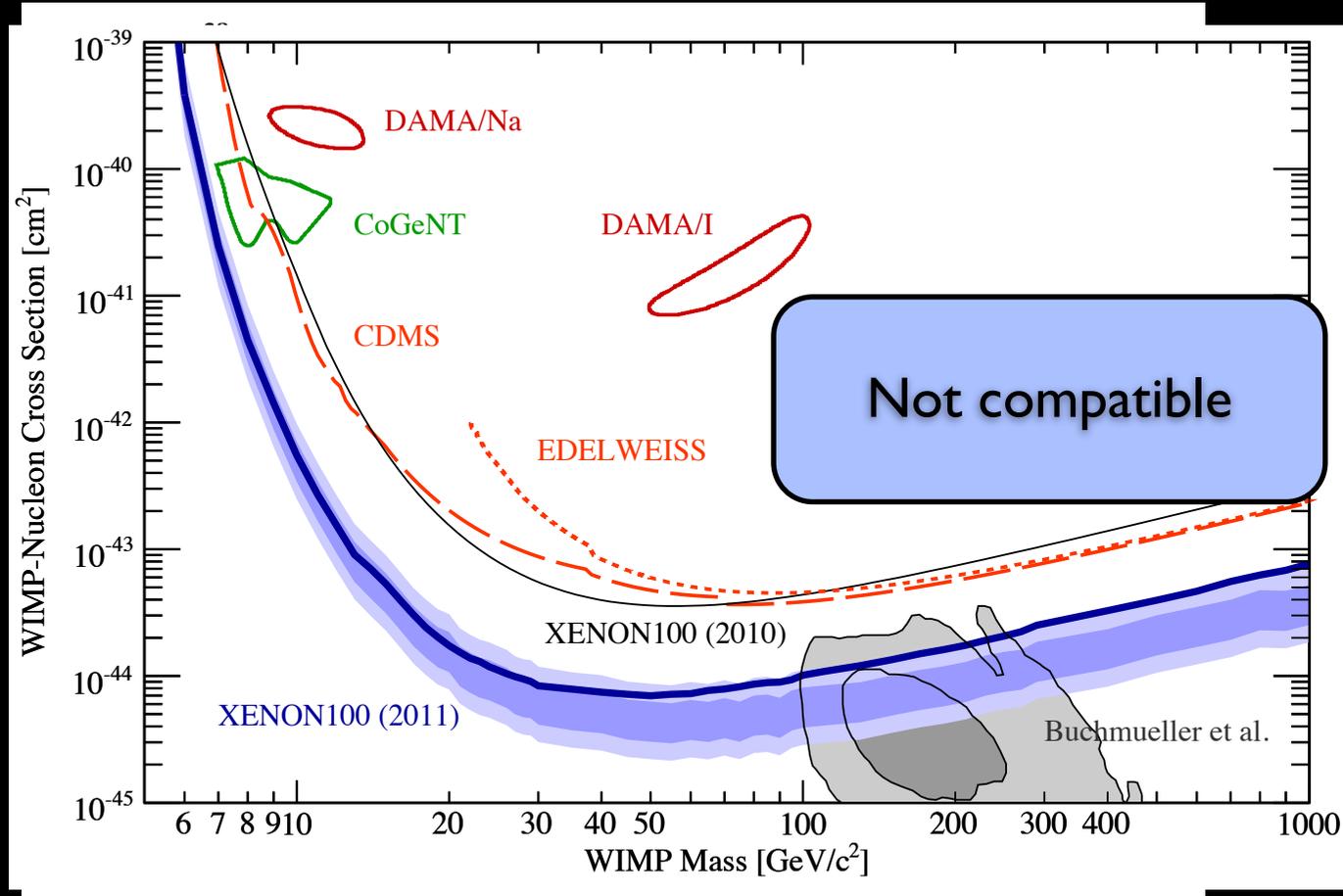


# CoGeNT & DAMA vs. XENON, CDMS, et al



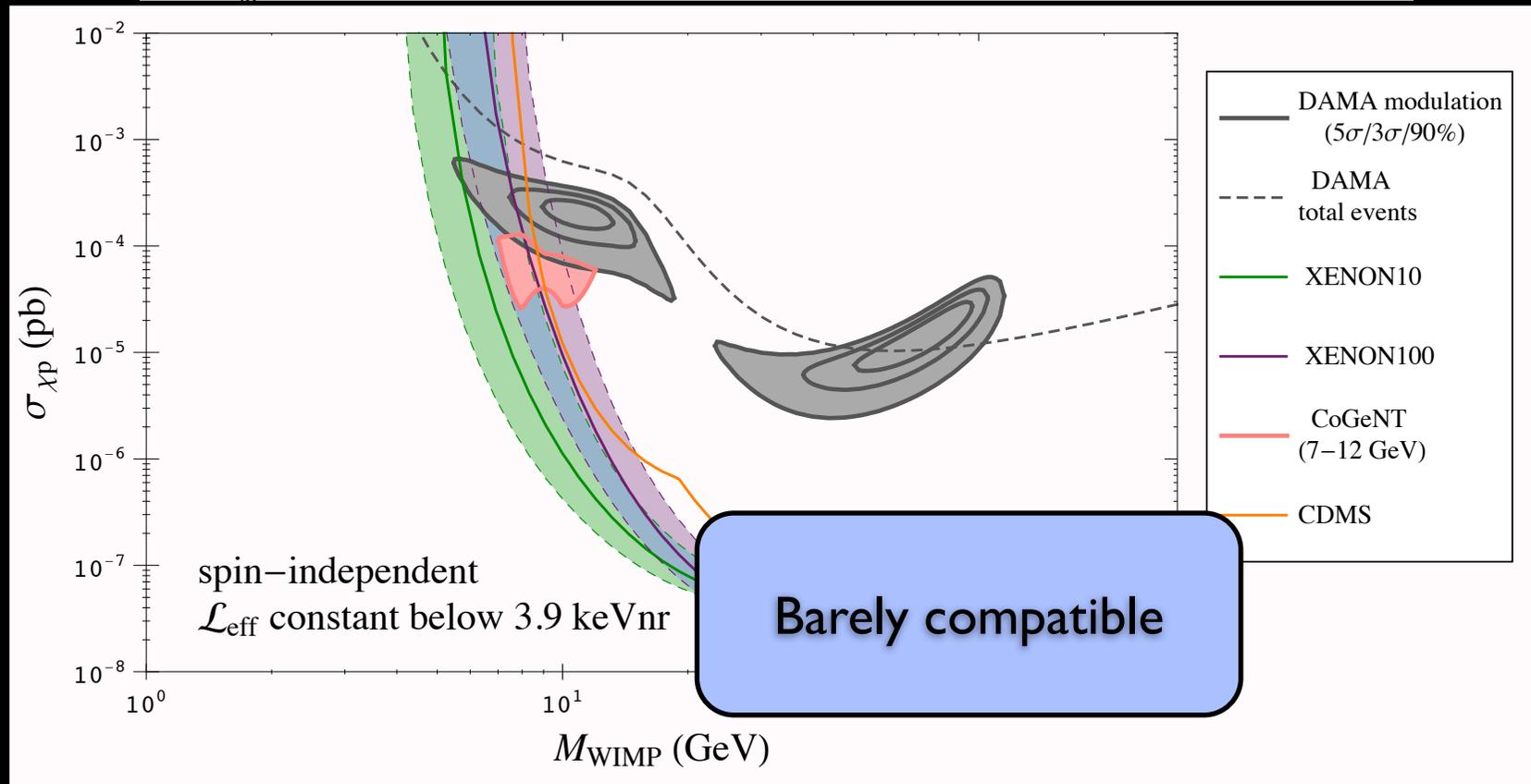
*Akerib et al (CDMS) PRD82, 122004, 2010*

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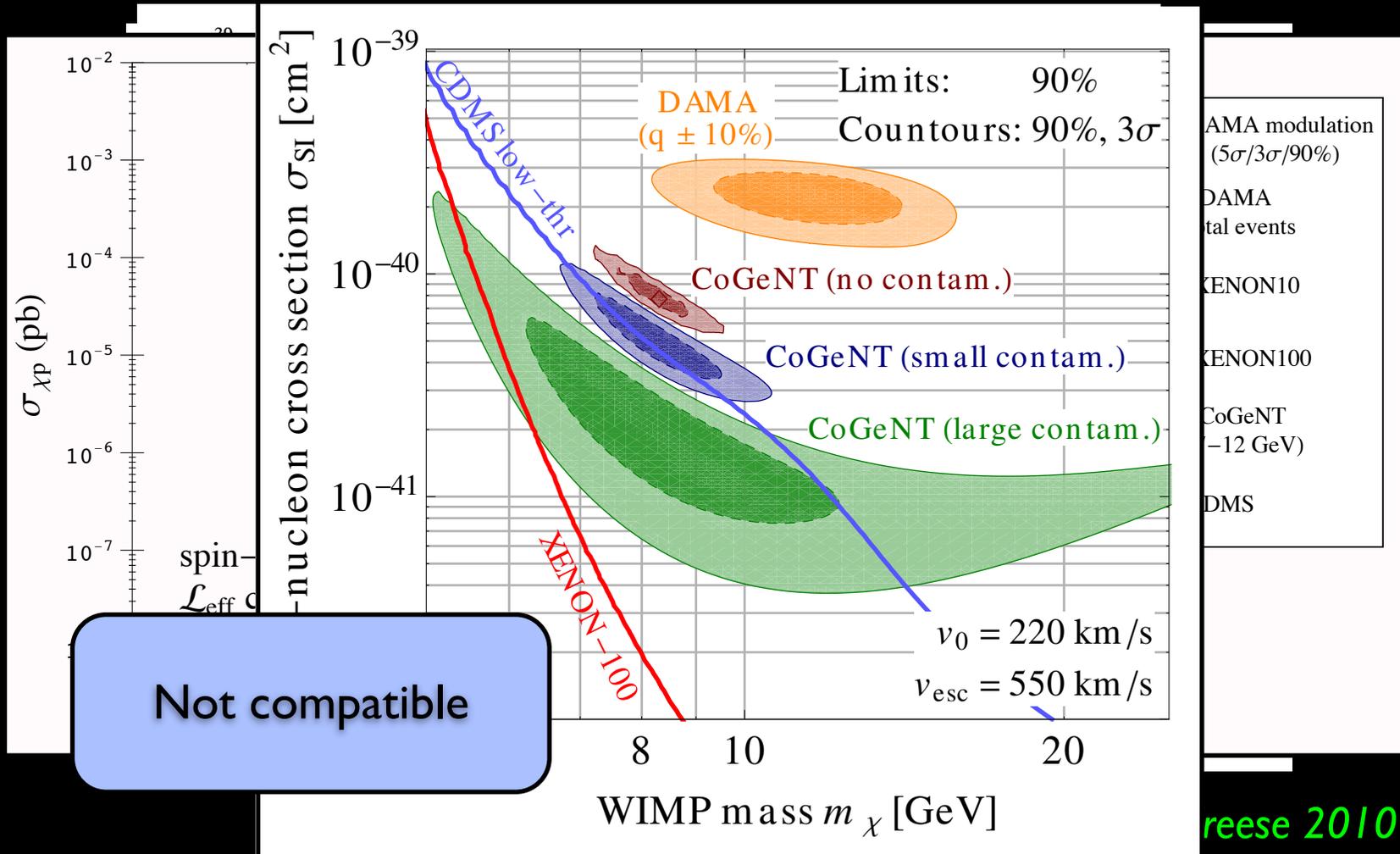
*Aprile et al (XENON-100) 1104.2549*

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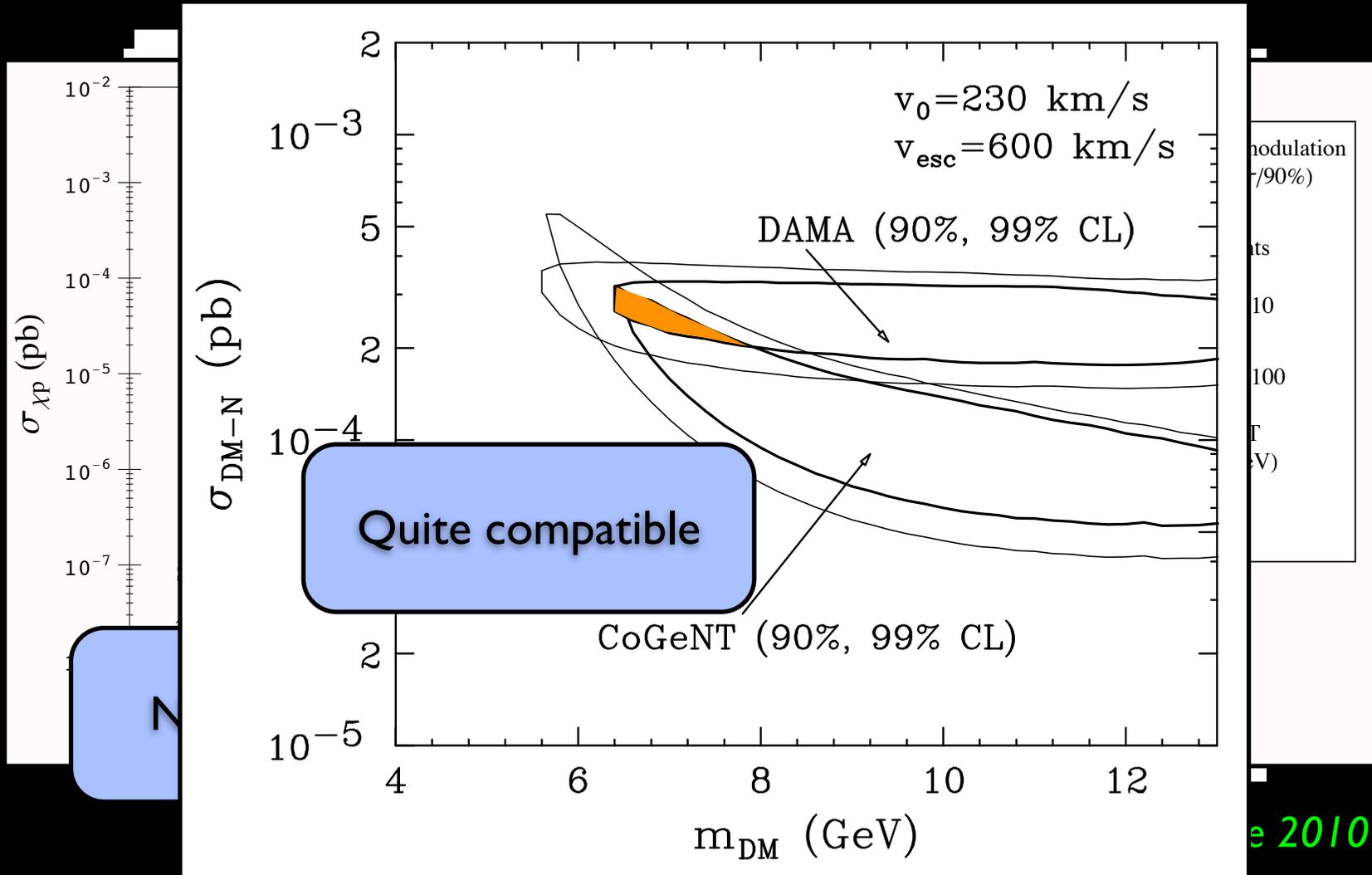


Savage, Gelmini, Gondolo, Freese 2010

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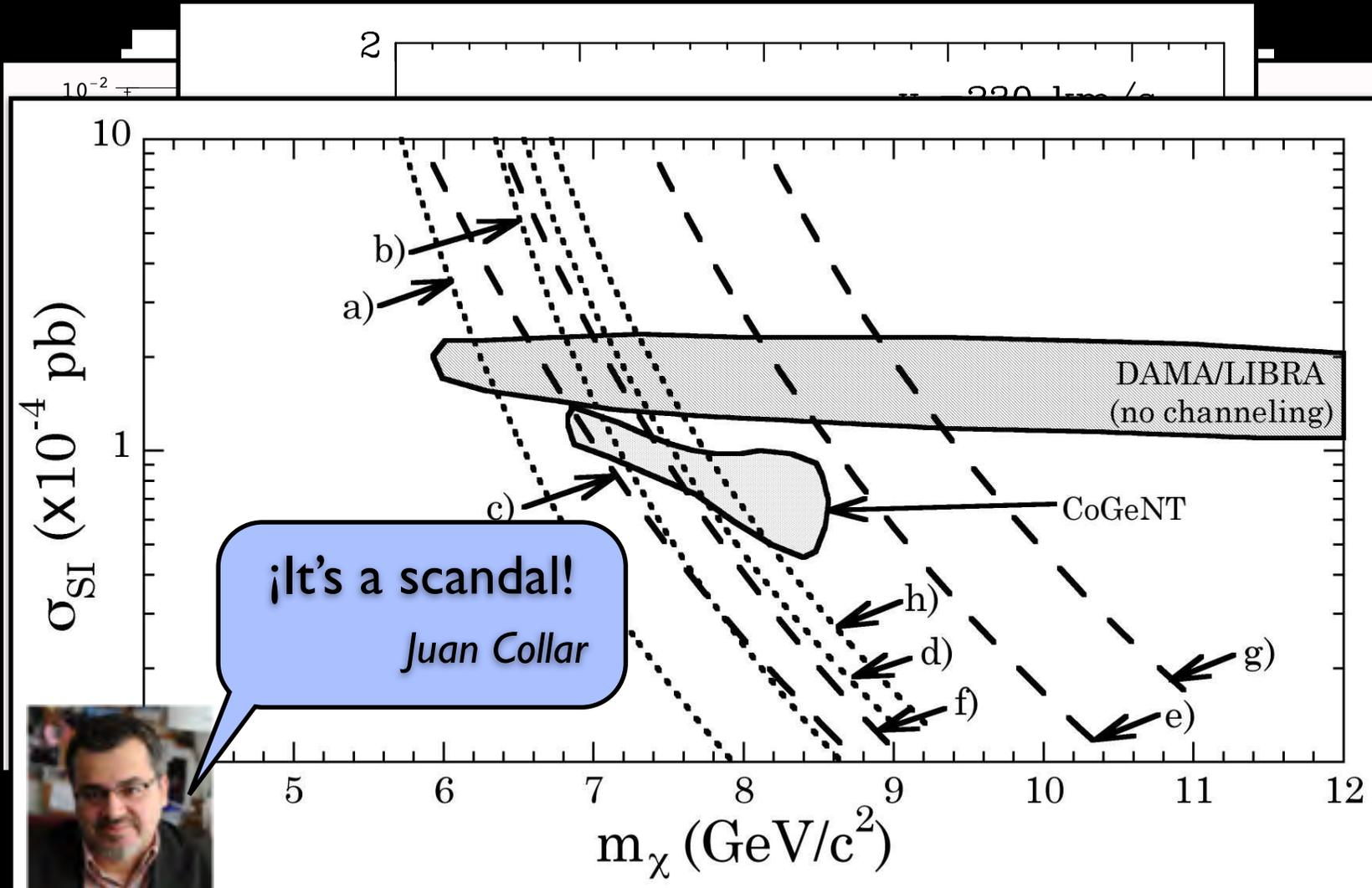


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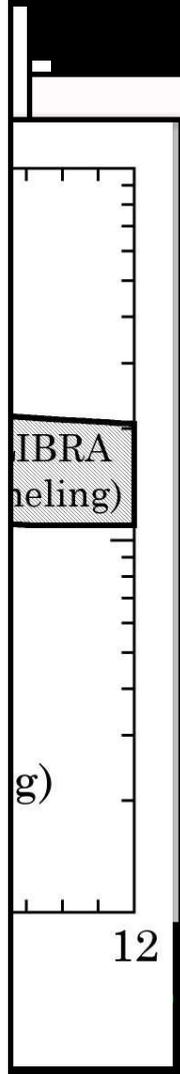
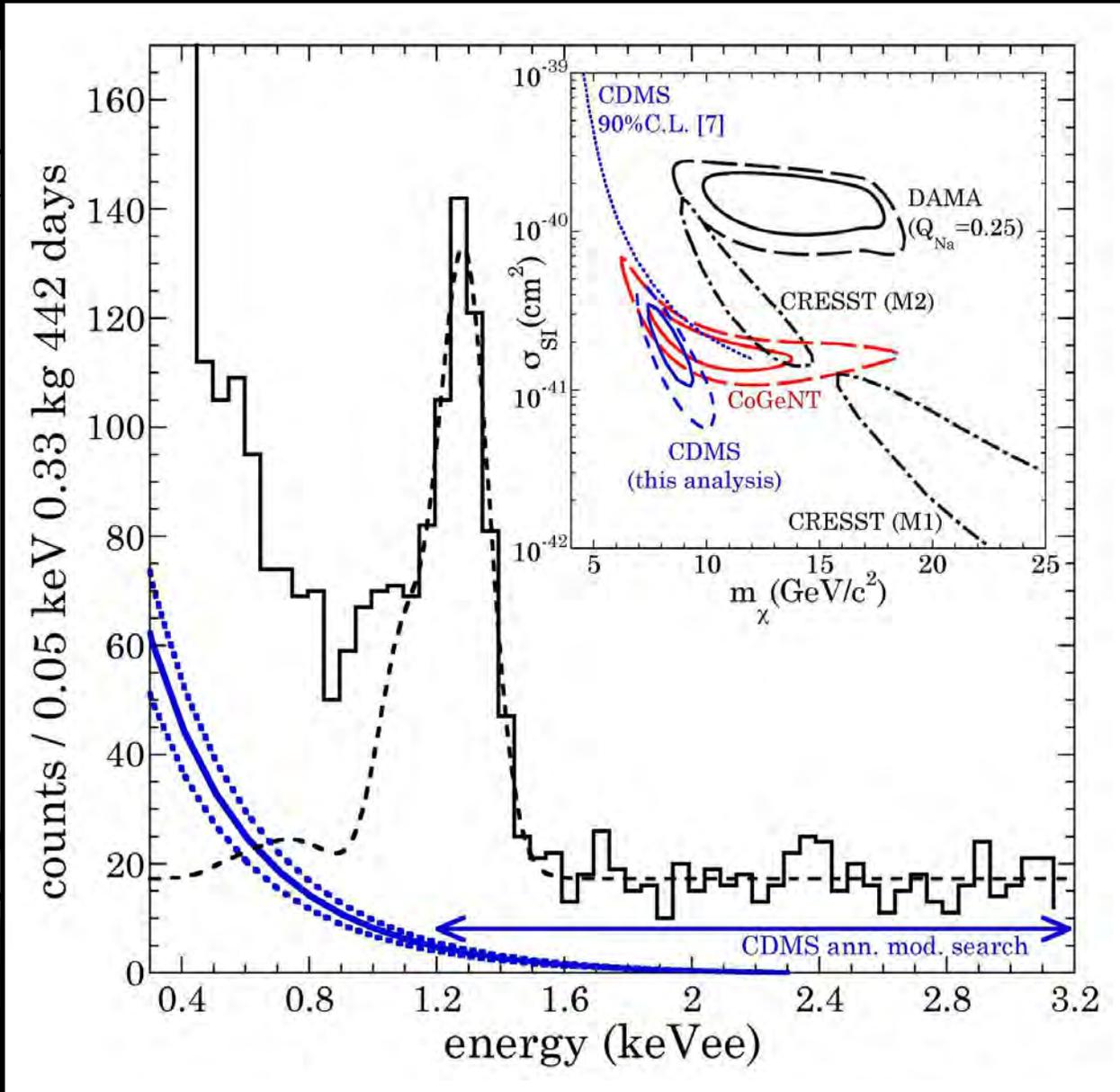
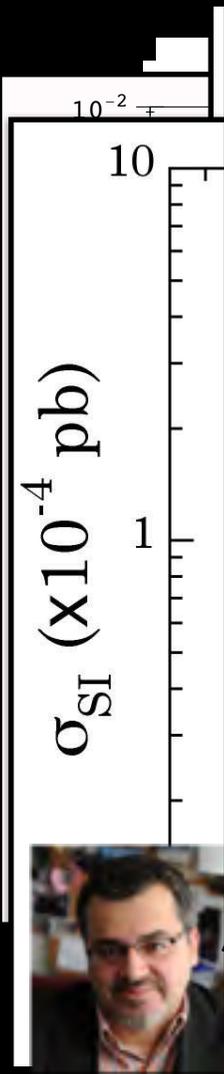
Hooper, Collar, Hall, McKinsey 2010

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Collar / 106.0653

# CoGeNT & DAMA vs. XENON, CDMS, et al



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Collar Fields 1204.3559

# CoGeNT & DAMA vs. XENON, CDMS, et al

## The comparison depends on the model!\*

- astrophysics model
  - local density, velocity distribution*
- particle physics model
  - mass, cross section (dependence on spin, velocity, energy, couplings)*
- detector response model
  - energy resolution, quenching factors, channeling fraction*

\*Except for CoGeNT vs CDMS modulation

# Can limits be relaxed?

- **Energy calibration?**

Collar (1106.0653v3) objects to scintillation and ionization yields. Hooper et al. fold in large uncertainties. Experimental issue. Efficiencies and energy resolution near threshold are essential: *paradoxically a worse energy resolution produces stronger bounds.*

- **Large dependence on dark halo model?**

It should not affect CDMS, which has Ge as CoGeNT, but Xe is heavier, thus only sensitive to the high velocity WIMP tail, which may be missing: make a halo-independent analysis (Fox, Lie, Weiner 1011.1915; Frandsen et al 1111.0292; Gondolo, Gelmini 1202.6359)

- **WIMP does not couple to Xe?**

$Z+(A-Z)(f_n/f_p)=0$ , i.e.  $f_n/f_p=-0.7$ ? “isospin-violating DM” (Kurylov, Kamionkowski 2003; Giuliani 2005; Cotta et al 2009; Chang et al 2010; Kang et al 2010; Feng et al 2011)

- **Other?**

Inelastic DM, energy- or velocity-dependent form factor, ....?

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# Detector response model

## *From measured energy to recoil energy*

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{energy} \\ \text{response function} \end{array} \right) = g(E_{ee}, E)$$

Recoil energy (keV)

Energy observed in detector, typically expressed in keV electron equivalent ( $\text{keV}_{ee}$ )

Typically written as a single Gaussian with mean value

$$E_{ee} = Q E$$

Quenching factor

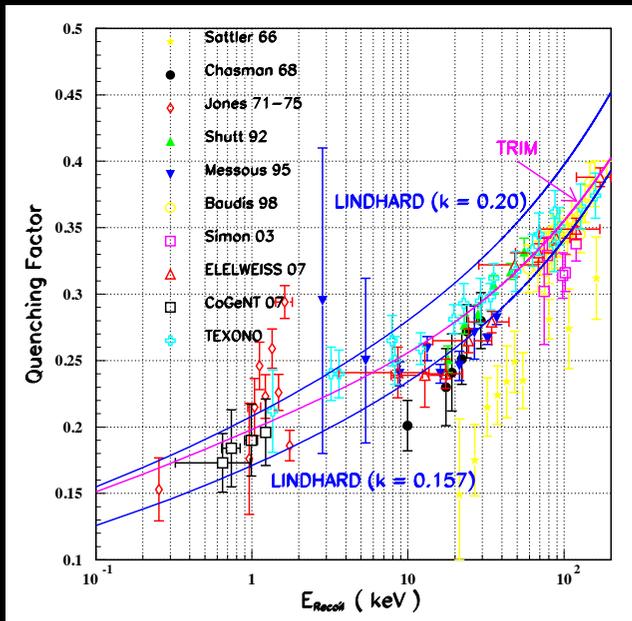
and standard deviation  $\sigma_E$ , but may be different.

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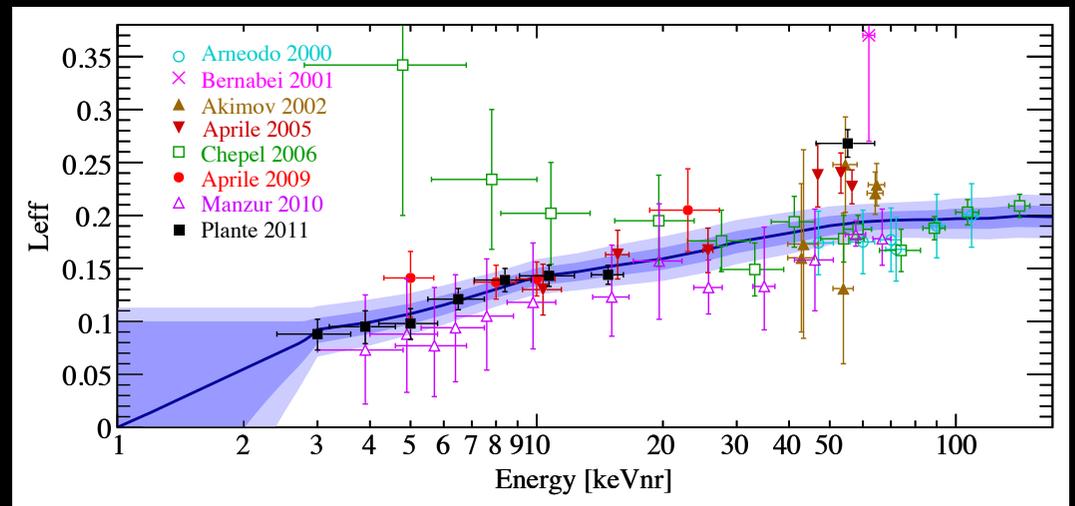
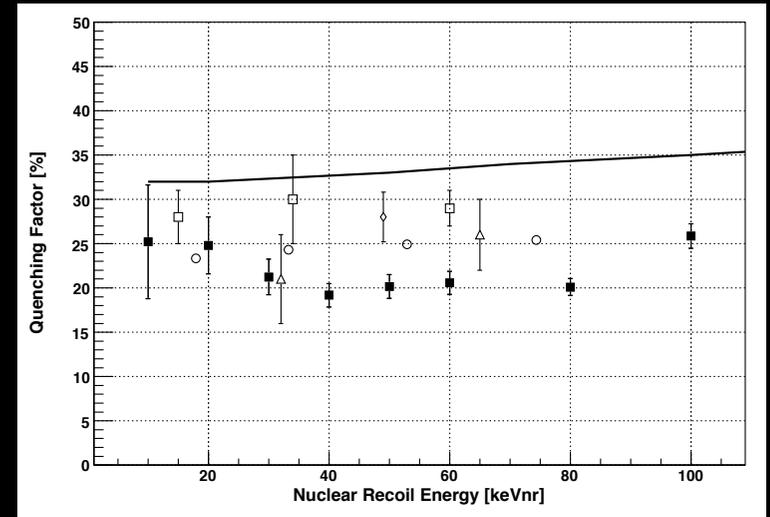
Quenching factor  $E_{ee} = Q E$

Chagani et al 0806.1916

This is where one can tweak to make experiments compatible.



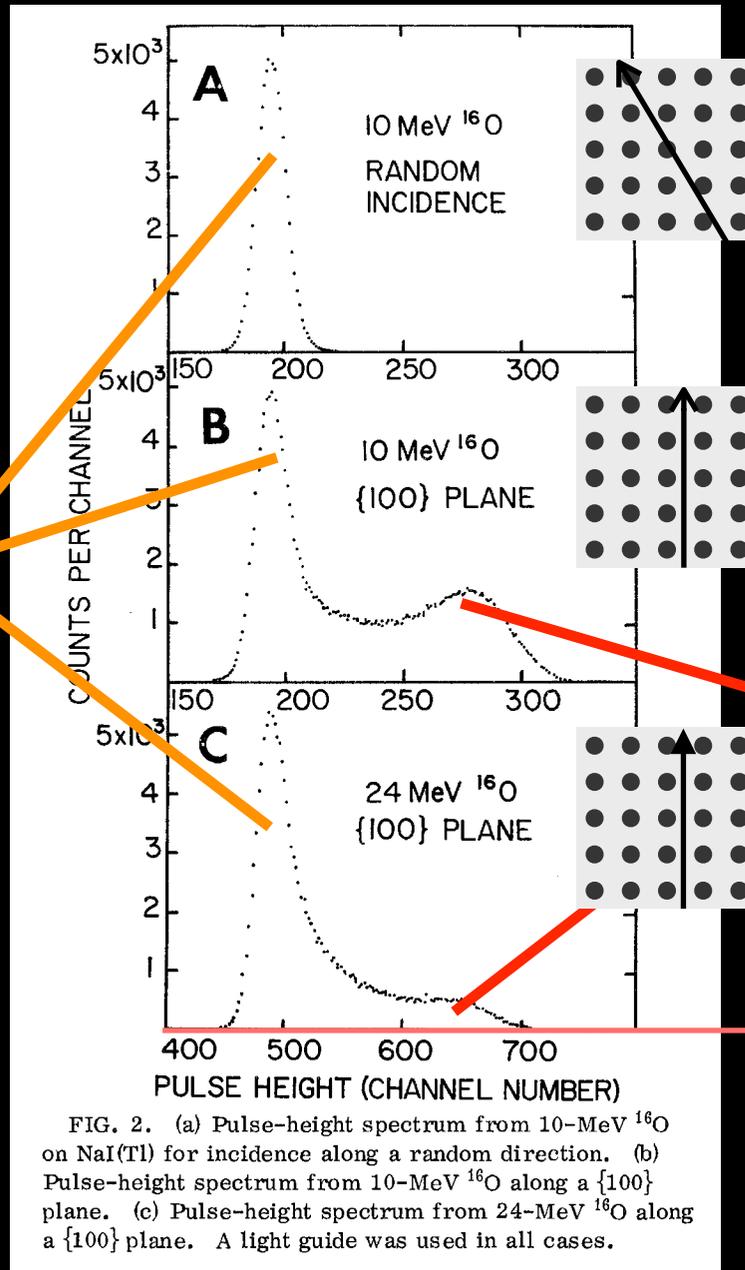
Lin et al (TEXONO) 2007



Aprile et al (XENON100), 1104.2549

# Detector response model

Not  
channeled



Channeling

Quenching factor depends  
on direction of recoil

Monochromatic  $^{16}\text{O}$  beam  
through NaI(Tl) scintillator

Channeled

Scintillation output

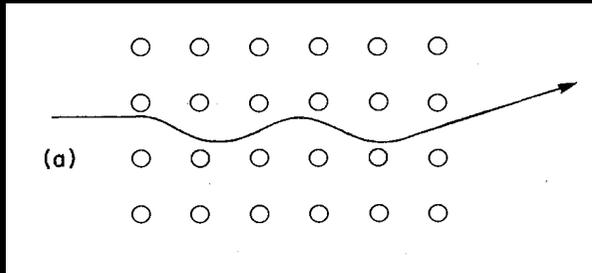
Altman et al 1973 (Phys.Rev. B7, 1743)

# Detector response model

*Fraction of channeled recoils*

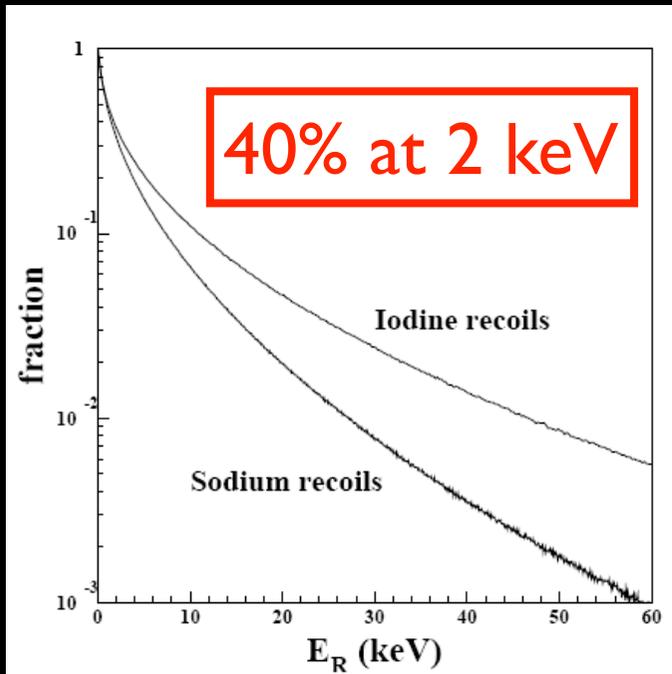
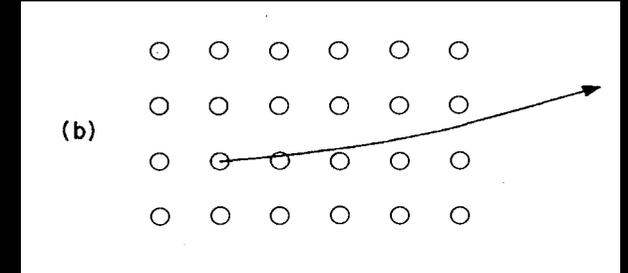
Very small because of blocking

Channeling

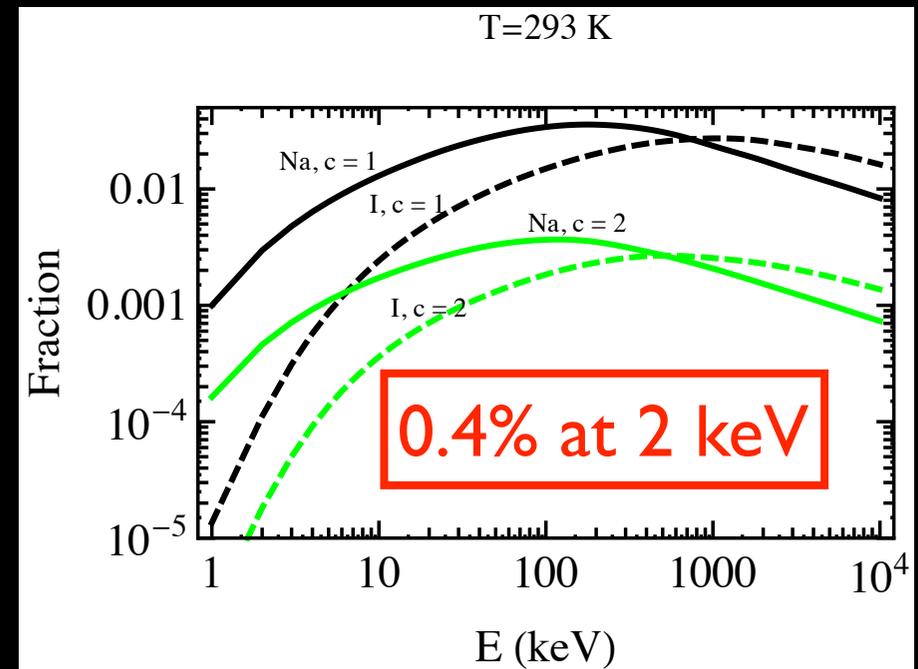


Blocking

The recoiling nucleus belongs to the lattice



*Bernabei et al. 2008*



*Bozorgnia, Gelmini, Gondolo 2010*

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# Astrophysics model

*How much dark matter comes to Earth?*

$$\text{(astrophysics)} = \rho \int_{v > v_{\min}(E)} \frac{f(\vec{v}, t)}{v} d^3v$$

*Local halo density* (points to  $\rho$ )

*Velocity distribution* (points to  $f(\vec{v}, t)$ )

*Minimum speed to impart energy  $E$ ,  $v_{\min}(E) = (ME/\mu + \delta)/\sqrt{2ME}$*  (points to  $v > v_{\min}(E)$ )

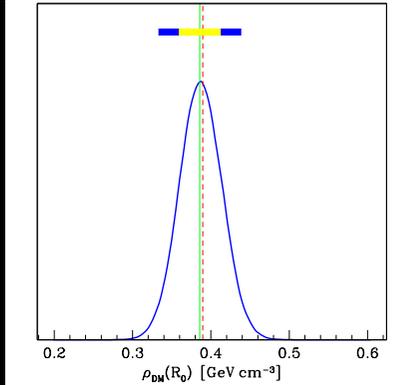
# Astrophysics model: local density

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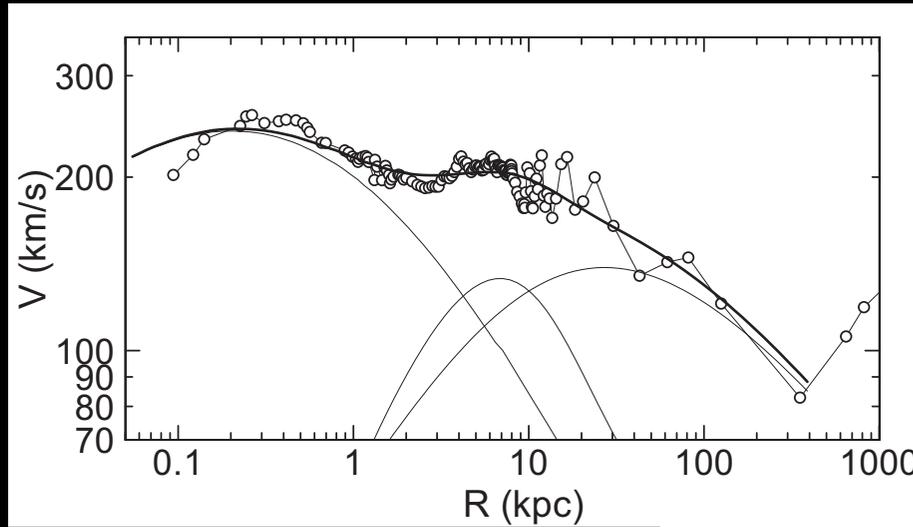
*Salucci et al 2010*

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*Ullio, Catena 2009*

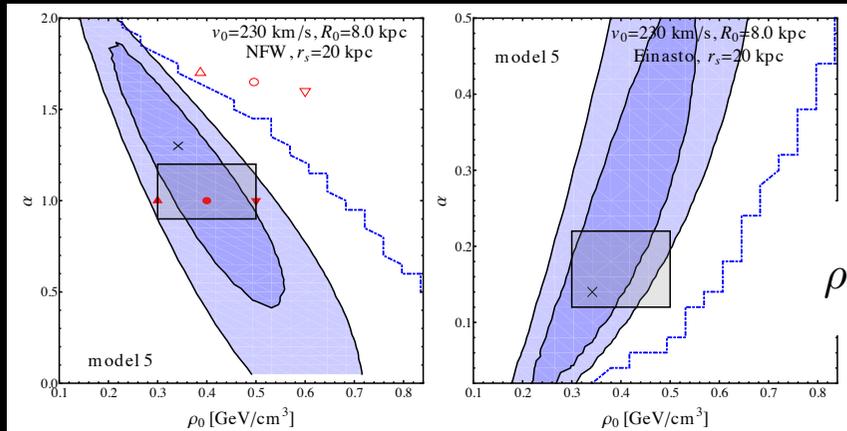


Local density from galactic modeling



*Sofue 2011*

$$\rho_{\odot} = 0.235 \pm 0.030 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}$$



$$\rho_0 = 0.20 - 0.55 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

*Iocco, Pato, Bertone, Jetzer 2010*

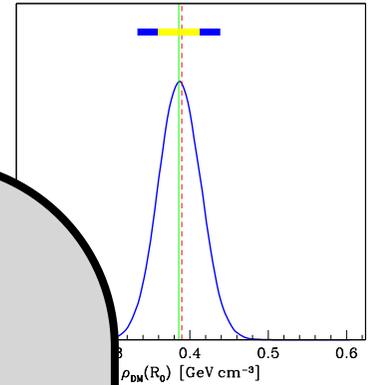
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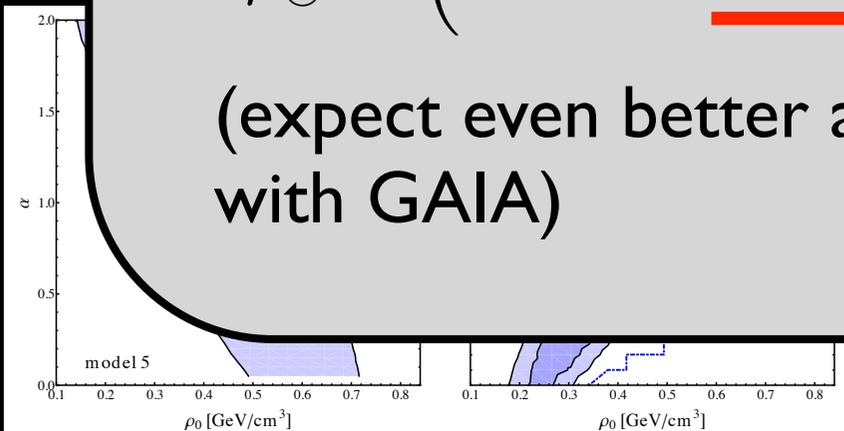
The most direct method, requiring only local measurements of the disk contribution and the slope of rotation curve at the Sun's distance. Now even more precise with preliminary VERA

$$\rho_{\odot} = \left( 0.463 \pm \underline{0.044}_{(\alpha_{\odot})} \pm 0.096_{(r_{\odot D})} \right) \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

$\text{cm}^{-3}$

(expect even better at VERA completion and with GAIA)

Honma at NDM12



Iocco, Pato, Bertone, Jetzer 2010

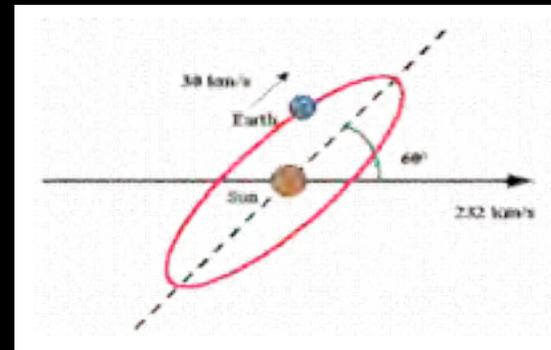
# Astrophysics model: velocity distribution

The velocity factor  $\eta(E, t) = \int_{v > v_{\min}(E)} \frac{f(\vec{v}, t)}{v} d^3v$

- If  $f(E, t)$  is non-truncated Maxwellian in detector frame,  $\eta(E, t)$  is exponential in  $E$
- $\eta(E, t)$  depends on time (unless WIMPs move with detector)

Example: annual modulation

$$\eta(E, t) = \eta_0(E) + \eta_m(E) \cos \omega(t - t_0)$$



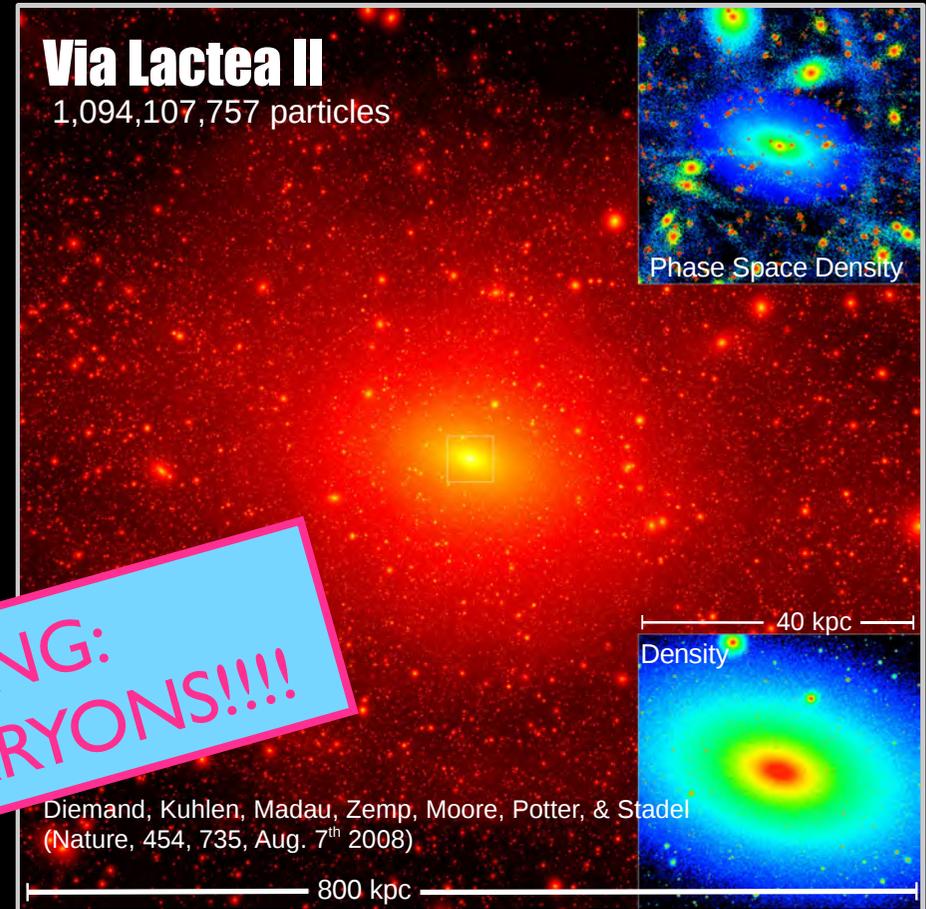
*Drukier, Freese, Spergel 1986*

# Astrophysics model

Cosmological  
N-body  
simulations



**WARNING:  
NO BARYONS!!!!**



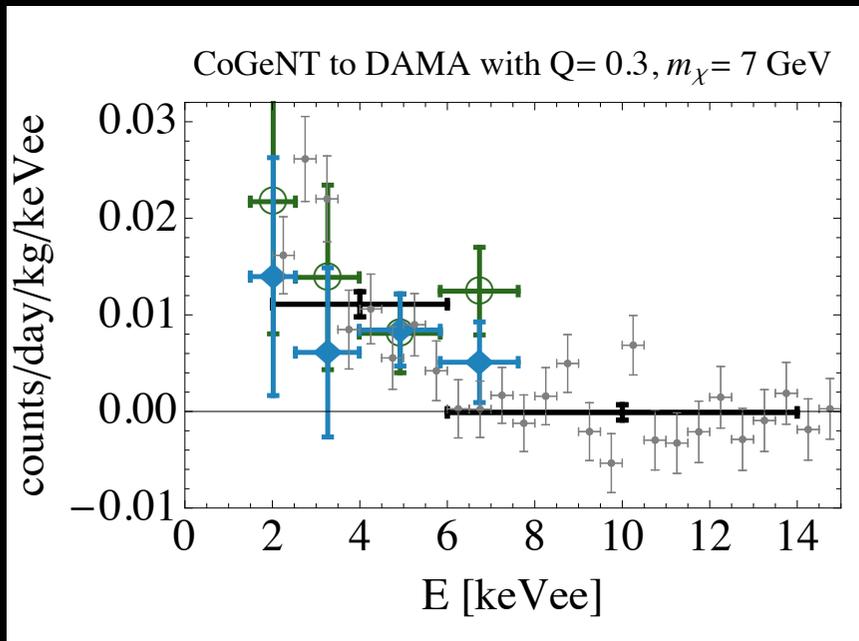
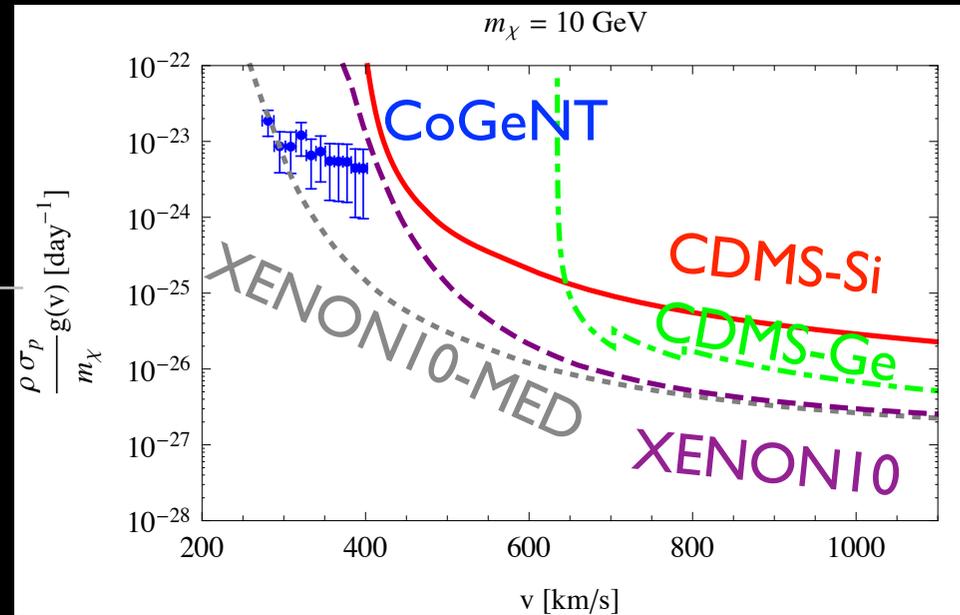
*But see Kuhlen (this conference)  
for simulations including baryons*

# Astrophysics-independent approach

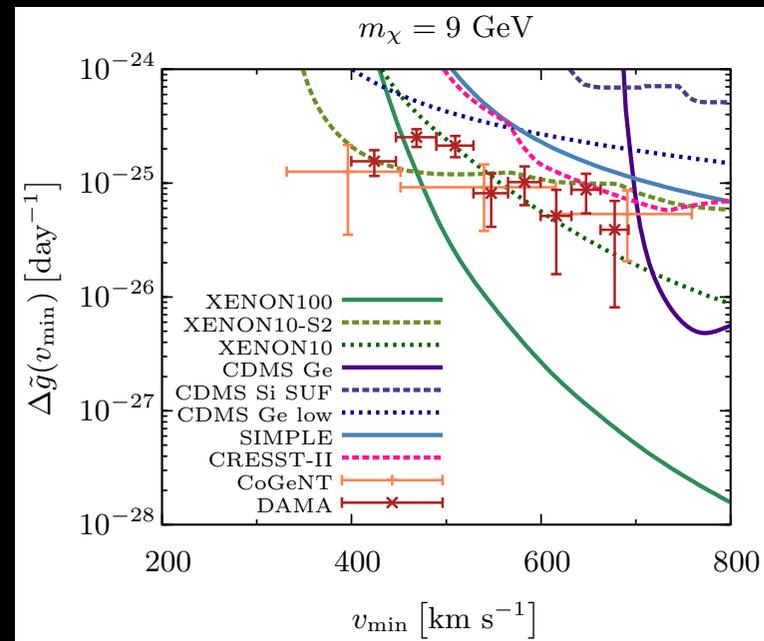
*Fox, Liu, Weiner 2011*

$$\frac{\rho_\chi \sigma_{\chi p} c^2}{m_\chi} \int_v^\infty \frac{f(v')}{v'} dv'$$

Astrophysics factor

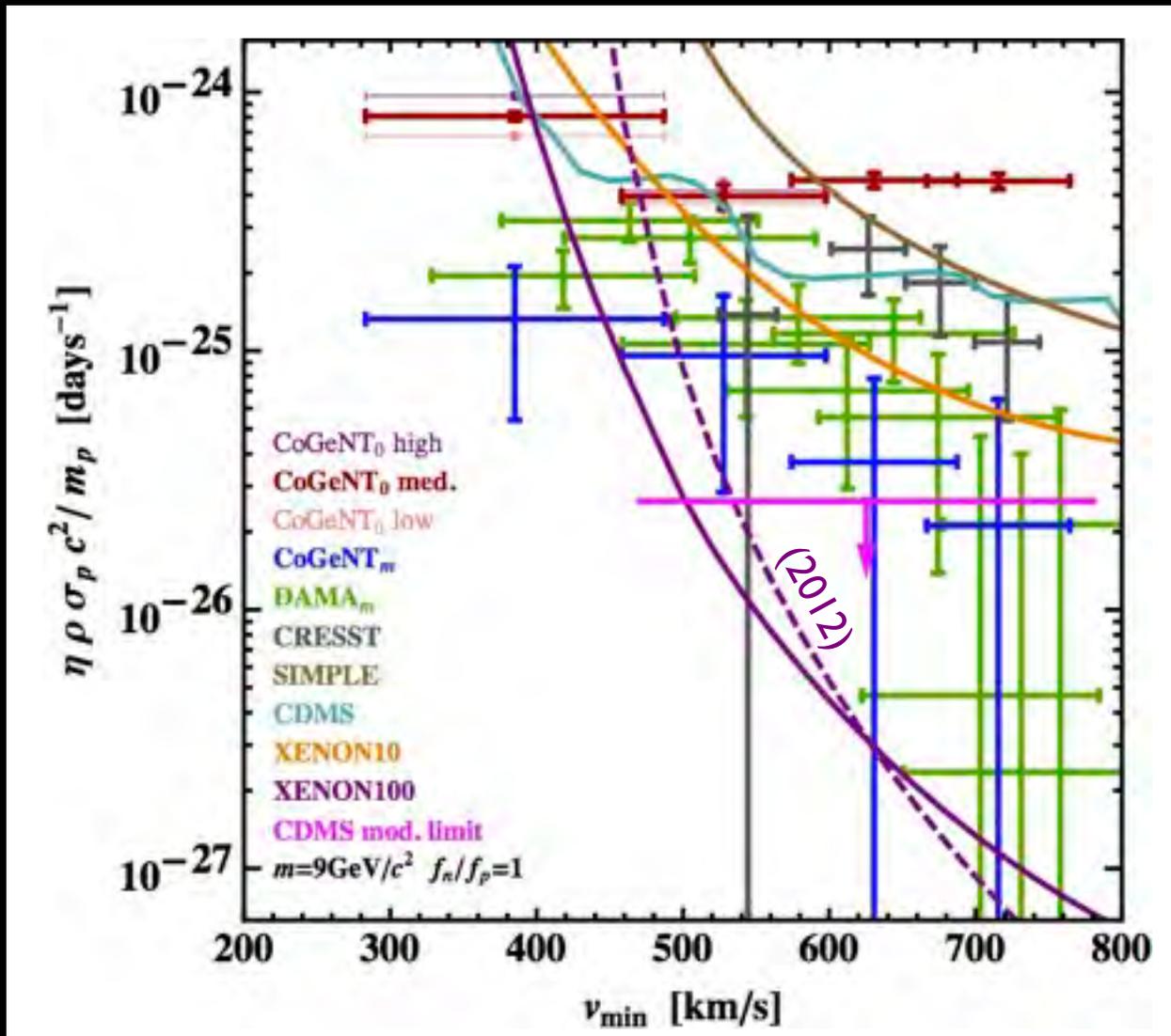


*Fox, Kopp, Lisanti, Weiner 2011*



*Frandsen et al 2011*

# Astrophysics-independent approach



Analysis extends Fox, Liu, Weiner method to include energy response function

*Halo modifications alone cannot save the SI signal regions from the Xe bounds*

Still depends on particle model

Updated from Gondolo Gelmini 1202.6359

# Conclusions

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None.

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None.

# Confusion

Maximal.