

# Cryogenics

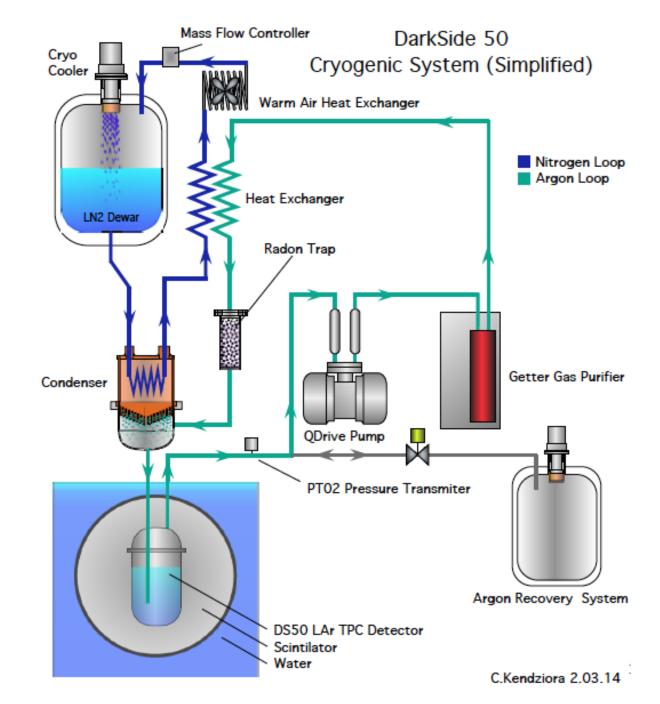
- 1. Power Requirement likely dominated by cold electronics load.
- For system stability and safety, follow DarkSide 50 system using a cryocooler with LN2 buffer.
- 3. With relaxed purity requirement, could use passive system design, so no circulation pump required (less items to maintain). Everything is gravity driven and no active control required.
- 4. Using Large N2 reservoir on site, could avoid using cryocooler (cost saving and and less maintenance cost).
- 5. Xenon doping method to be optimized (condenser and system design optimization)
- 6. Xenon recuperations ??

Simplified Sketch of DarkSide-50 Cryogenics system

Flow rate similar to ICARUS 3t (over kill)

Replace condenser with all SS condenser

Stability achieved: 0.0023 psi (rms)

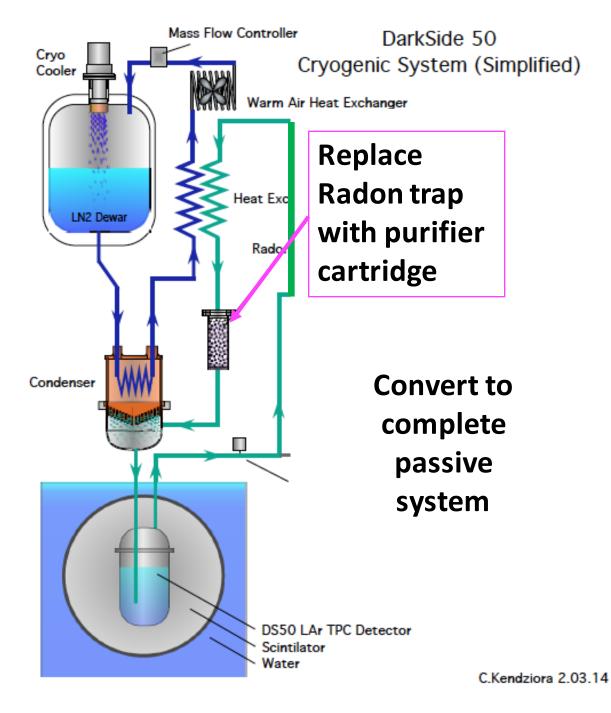


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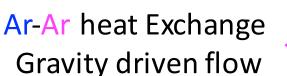
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If cold electronics power is low, go completely passive



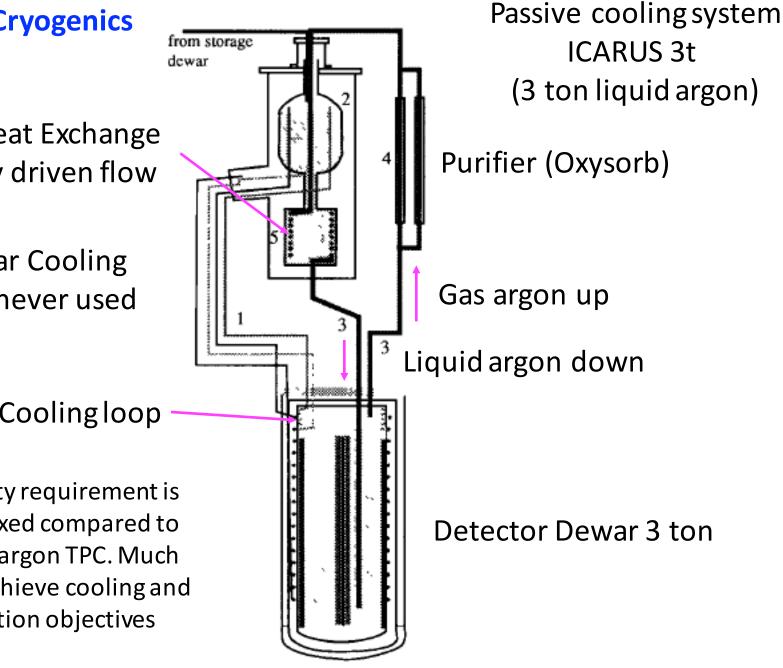
#### **ICARUS 3t Cryogenics**



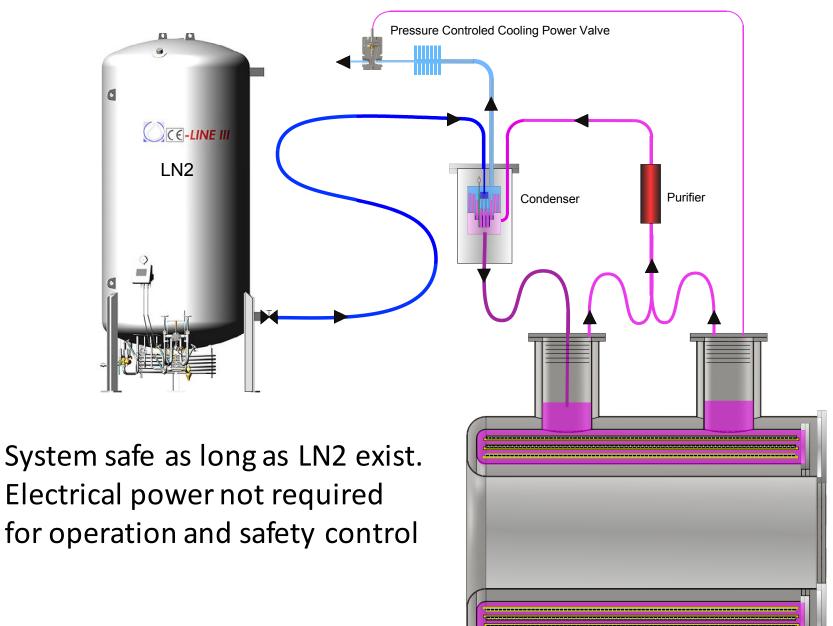
**Dewar Cooling** loop never used

Dewar Coolingloop

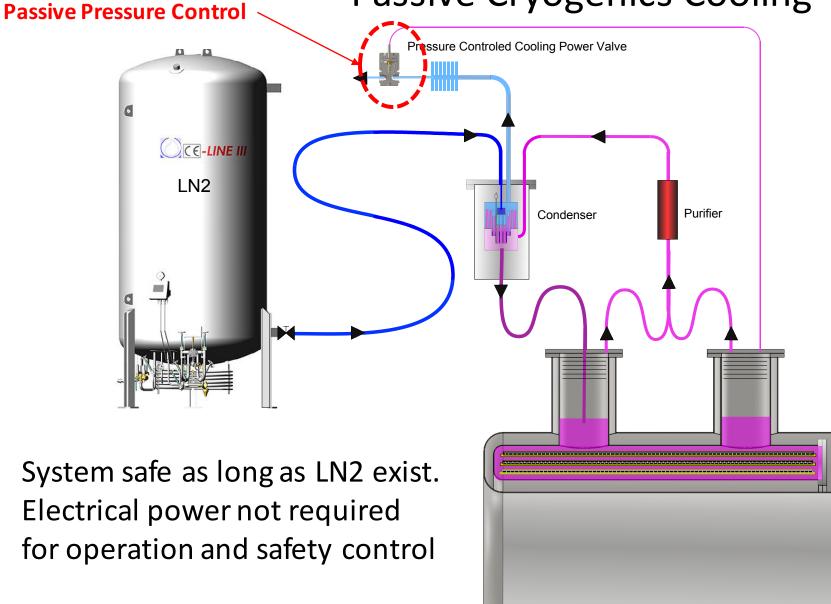
3D  $\pi$  purity requirement is much relaxed compared to the liquid argon TPC. Much easier to achieve cooling and purification objectives



## **Passive Cryogenics Cooling**

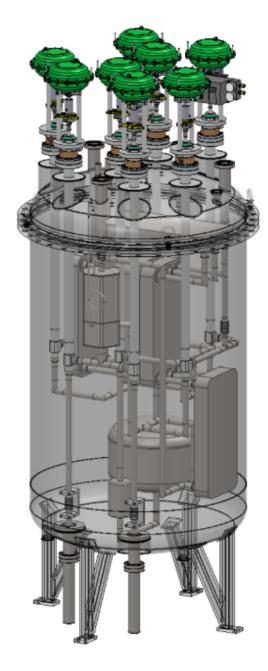


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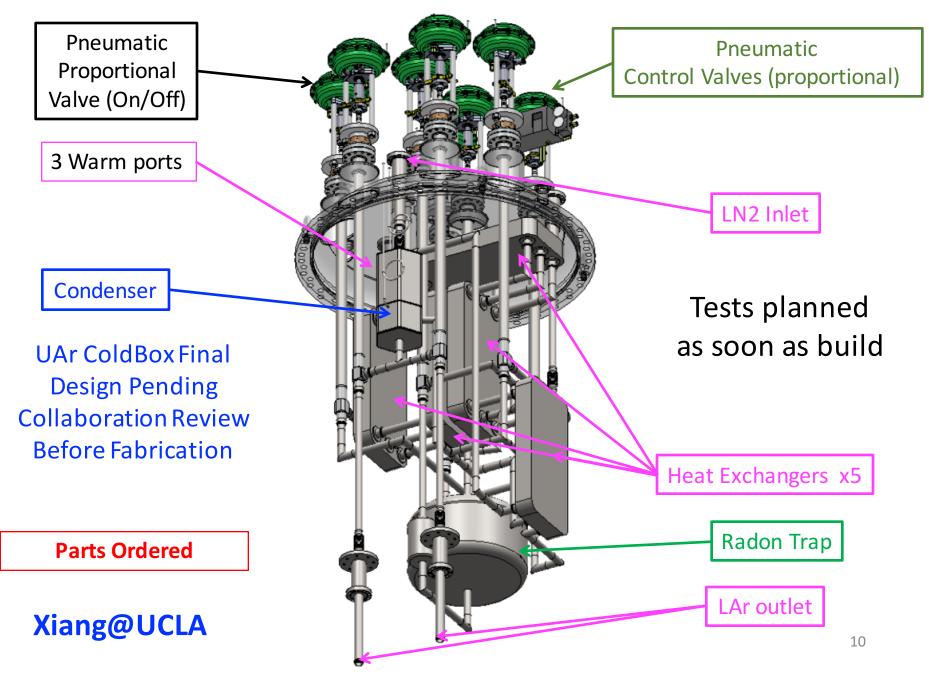
#### DarkSide-20k Condenser Unit

- A modular unit integrates a condenser, a heat exchanger set and a radon trap.
- The total cooling power is 4.7 kW and the radon trap is passively cooled at ~110 K.
- The cooling power is adjustable from 0 W to full scale capability (4.7 kW) by controlling the LN2 vapor gas vent flow using a MFC operating at room temperature (after the heatexchanger).
- The cold box engineering details is finalized and PO placed.
- The first test is planned at CERN late summer in 2018.



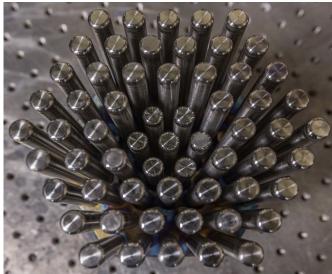
102-cm(D) x 2489cm(H)

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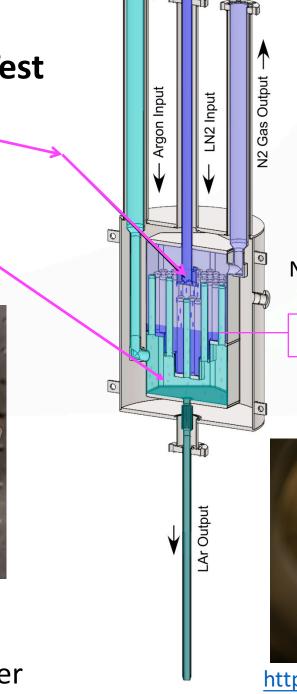




Liquid argon fast drop no freezing above triple point pressure



Cooling Test Results: 2.2 kW latent heat only 4.7 kW with heat exchanger

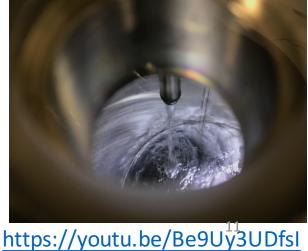


GN2 vent flow control determines cooling power

Integrated N2 and Ar pressure sensor ports

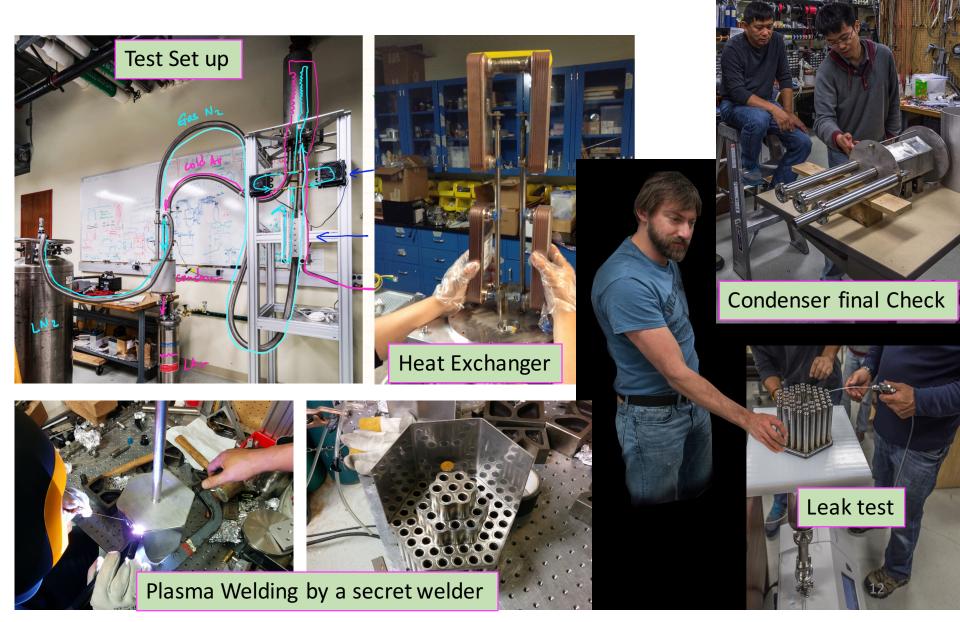
No LN2/LAr T balancing w/P

LN2 level auto balance



### **Proof of Concept Condenser Fabricated and Tested**

Click here for Links to photos and videos taken during the tests



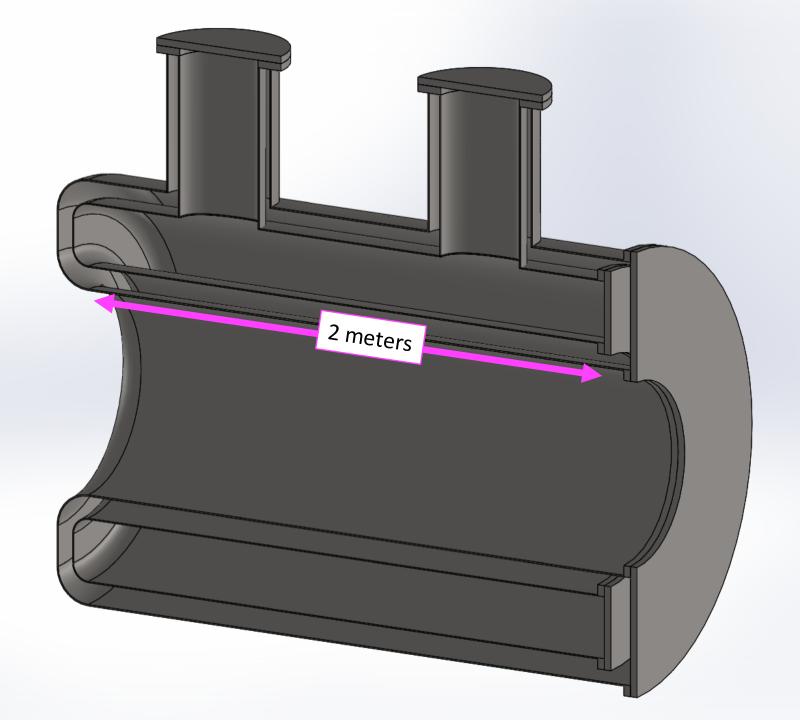
# Mini Version of the Condenser for Small Scale Testing

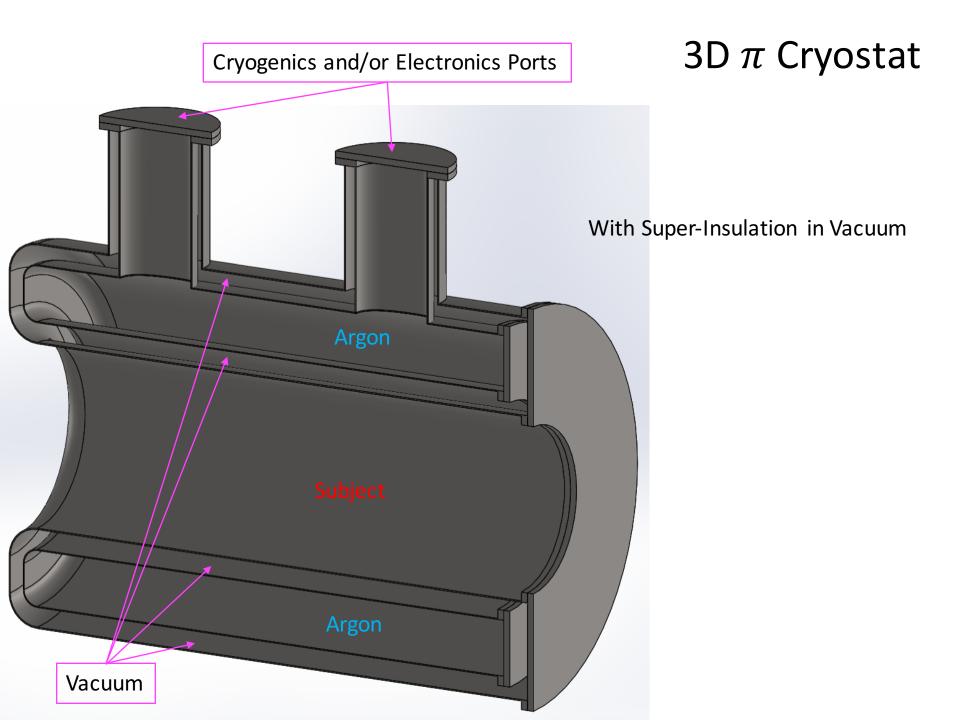
The actual build included a phase separator to further improve the stability



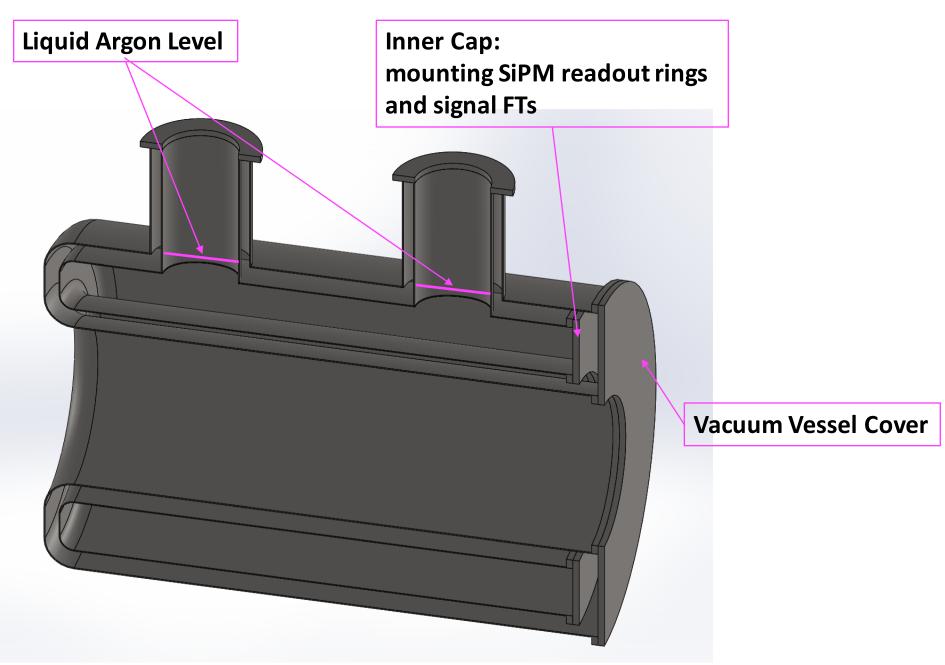
**Tested Passive Control Valve** 







### 3D $\pi$ Cryostat

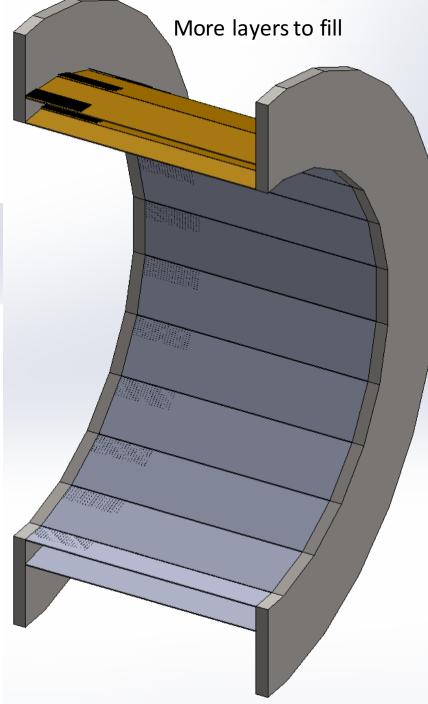


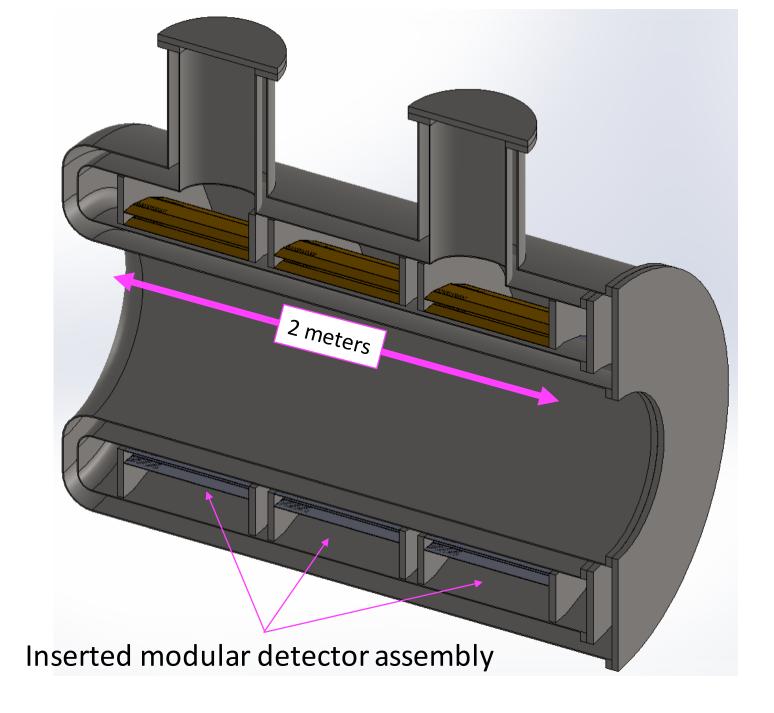
#### **Pre-assembled tested modules**

Integrated SiPM panels with readout



#### Assemble to modular detector





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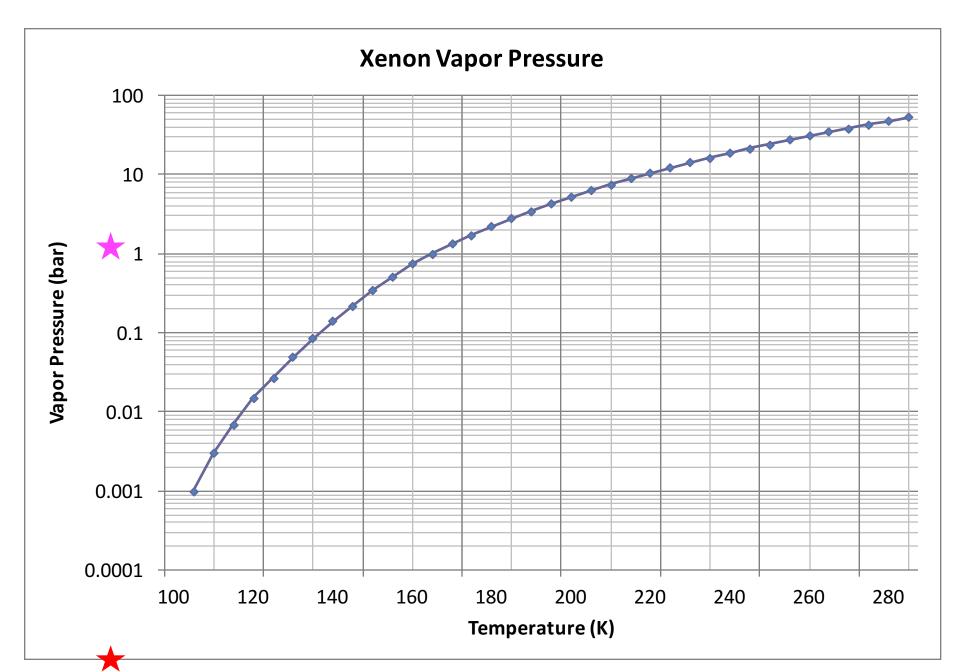
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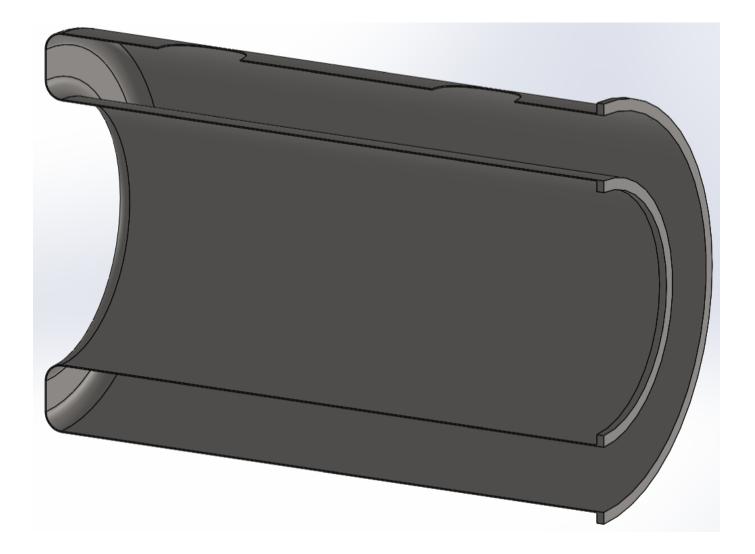
### **Information only**



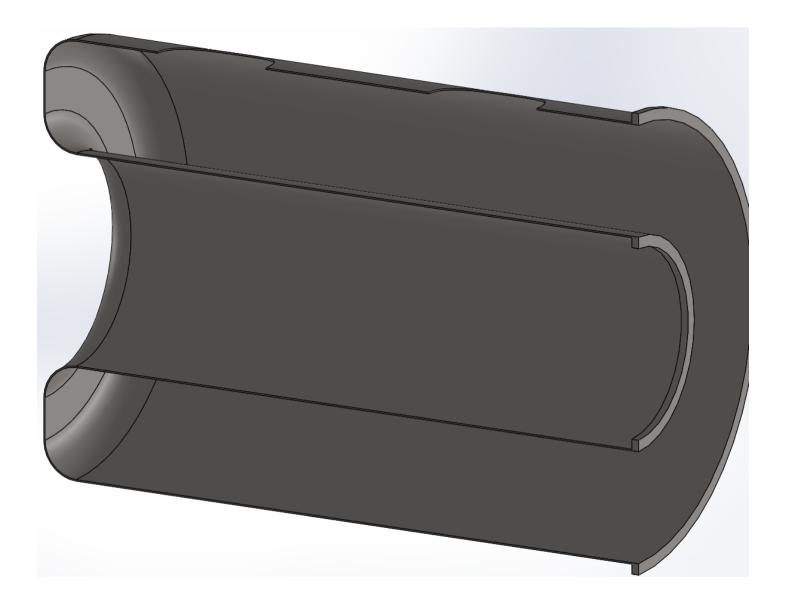
# Conclussion

- Cryogenics system readily available in any scale
- Passive system with absolute minimum control requirement
- Requires LN2 present on site
- Xenon doping to be tested to optimize the fraction
- Recuperation requirement and method to be investigated.
- Cryostat safety care for the safety of subject

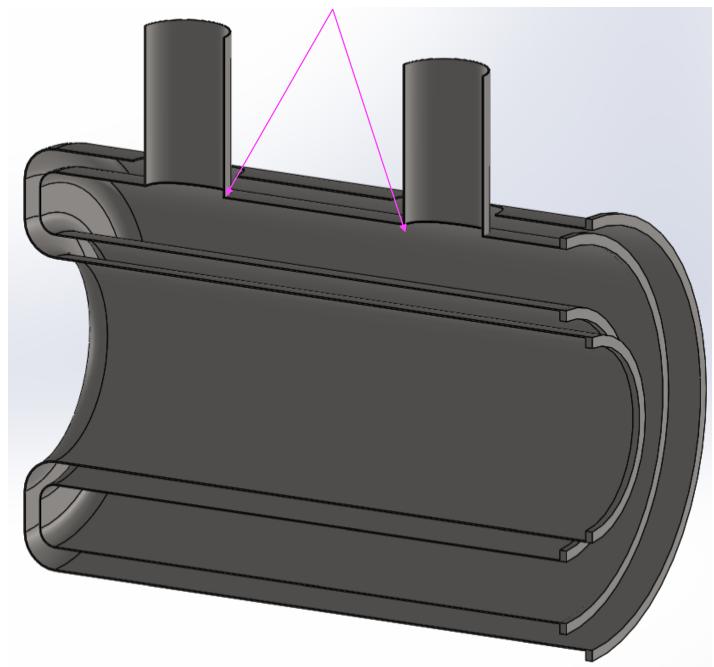
# Innervessel



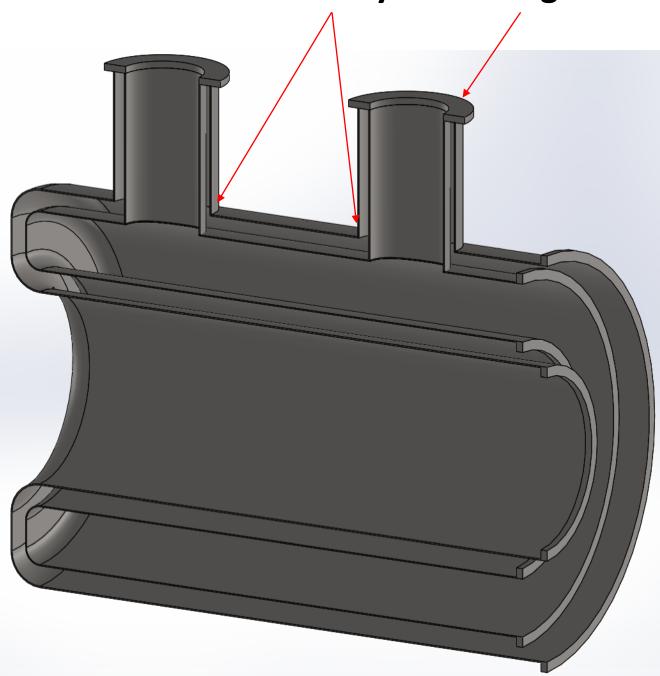
# Outer vessel



### Insert inner vessel and weld chimneys



### Weld vessel chimneys and flanges



#### Inner tube serves as thermal bridge and weight load

