

# **Application of Nuclear Physics Methods for Identification of Complex Chemical Substances**

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## **Project DVIN**

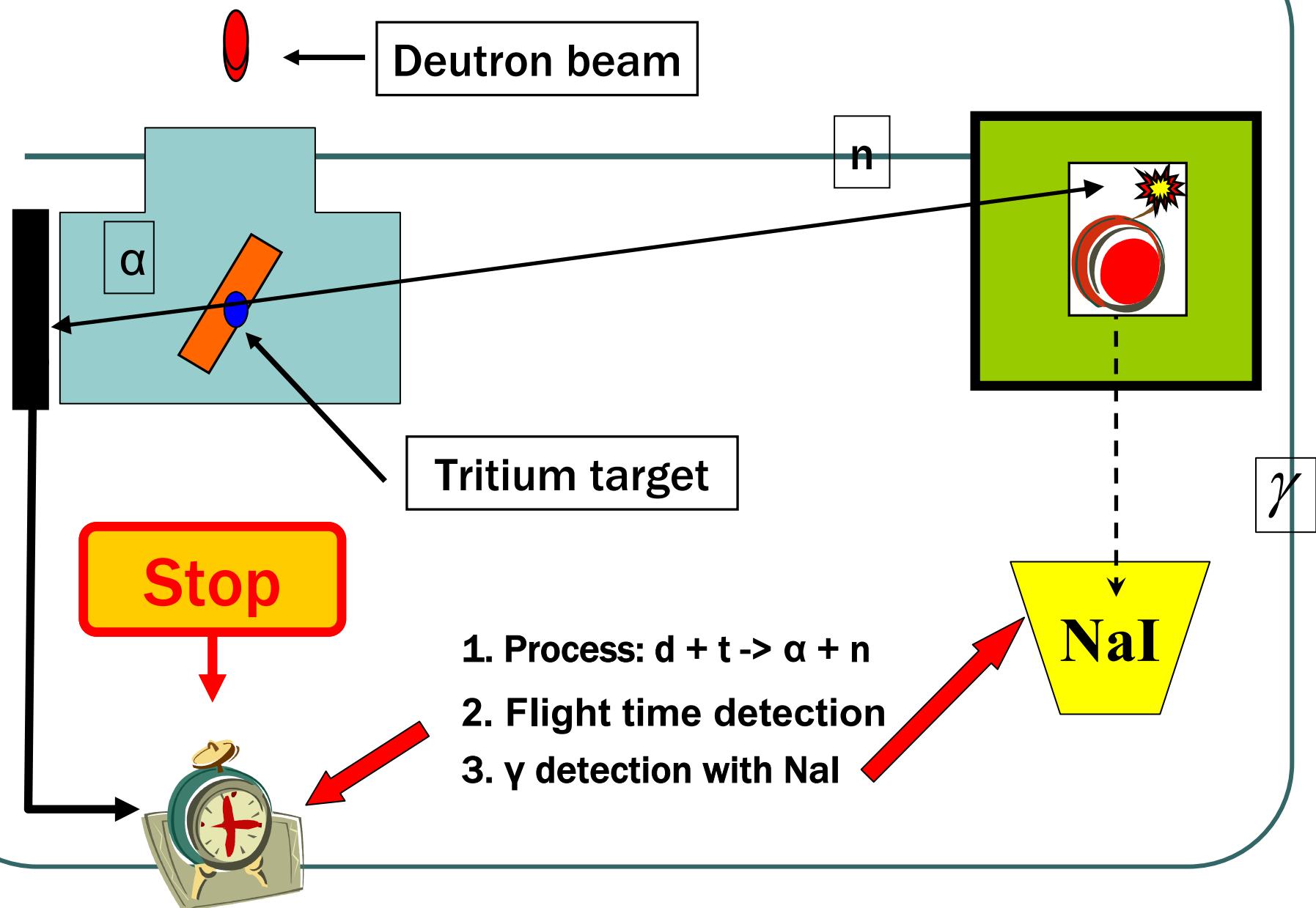
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## **Project history**

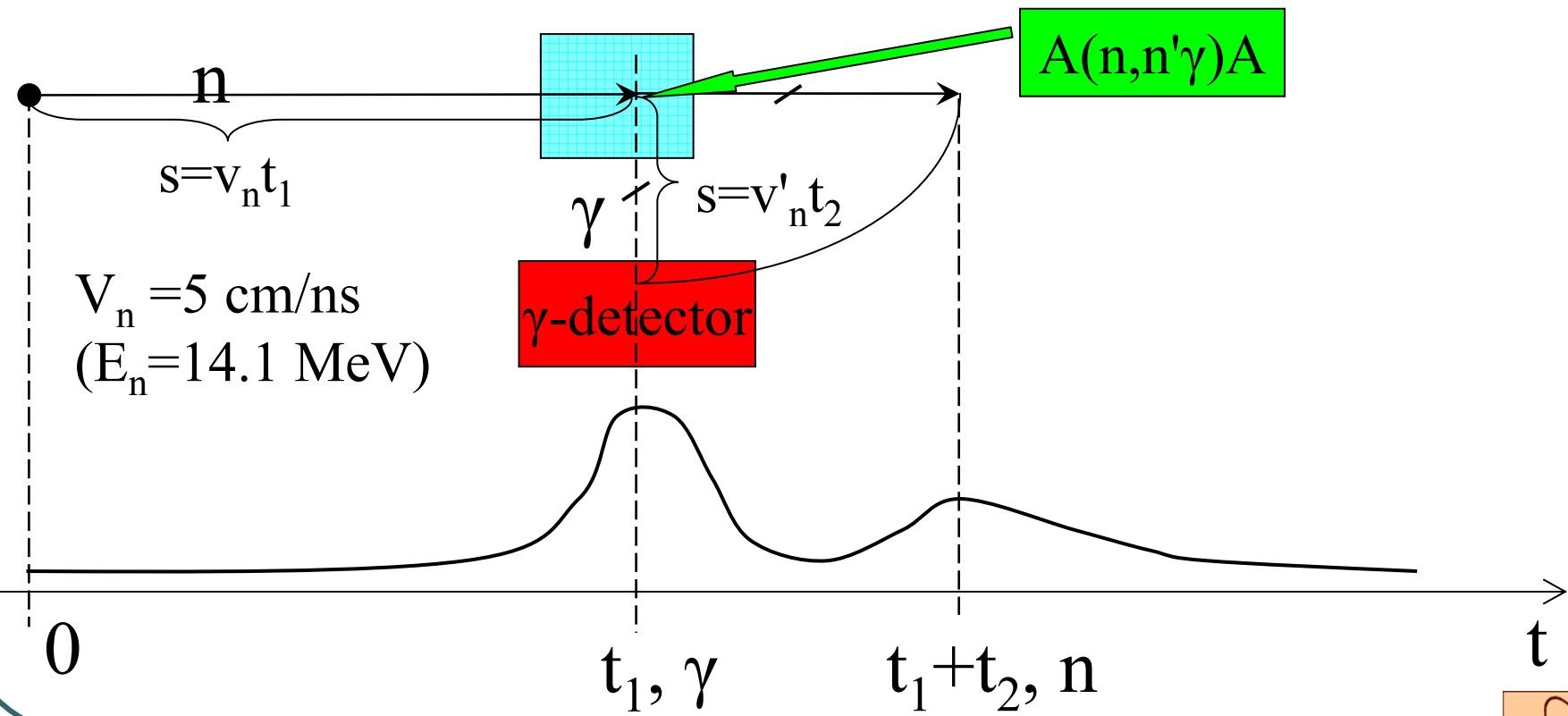
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- 1998, Rochester Conference, Vancouver  
B.Maglich, API method  
V.G.Kadyshevsky
- 1999, “Aspect”, R@D for Customs
- 2003, “Aspect”, mobile prototype for  
Customs
- 2005, stationary detector

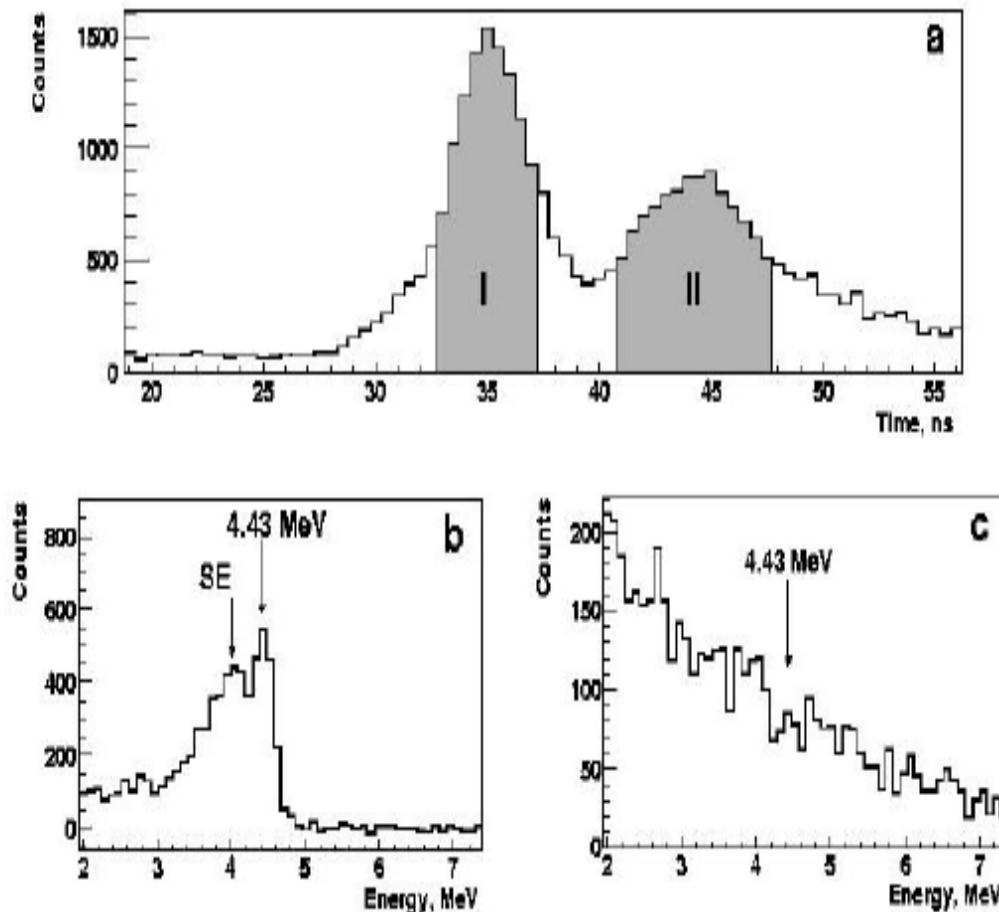
## Basic Principles



## Time distribution



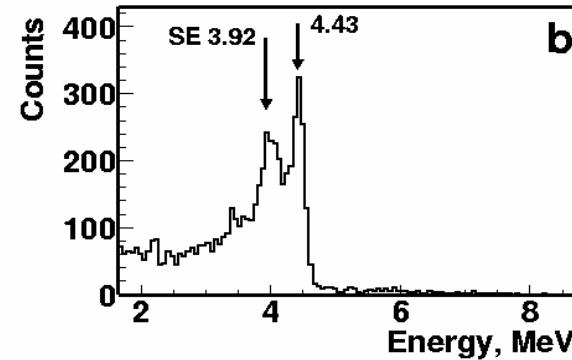
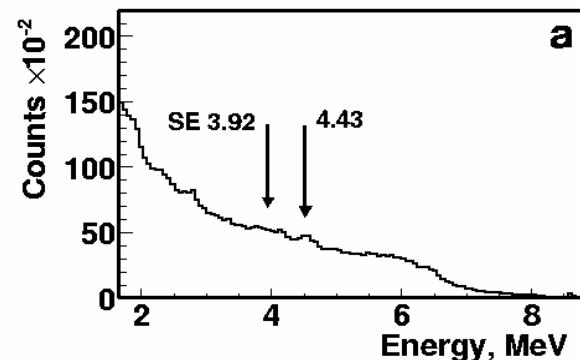
# Energy spectra in different time intervals



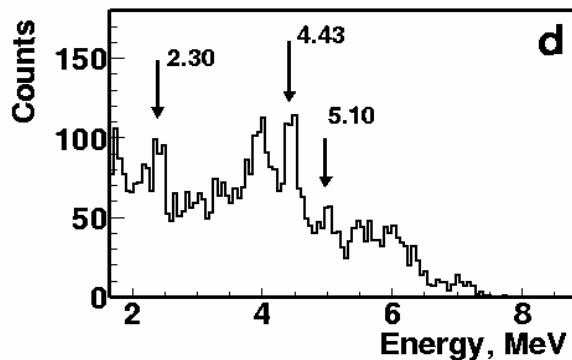
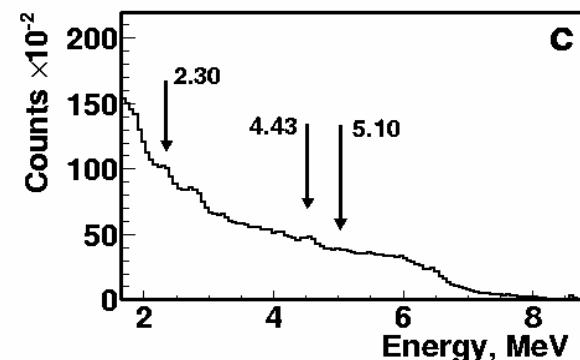
Possibility of  
scanning in depth

## *Reliability of hidden substance detection*

$$E_\gamma(^{12}\text{C}) = 4.43 \text{ MeV}, \quad E_\gamma(^{14}\text{N}) = 5.1 \text{ MeV}, \quad E_\gamma(^{16}\text{O}) = 6.13 \text{ MeV}$$



←  $^{12}\text{C}$

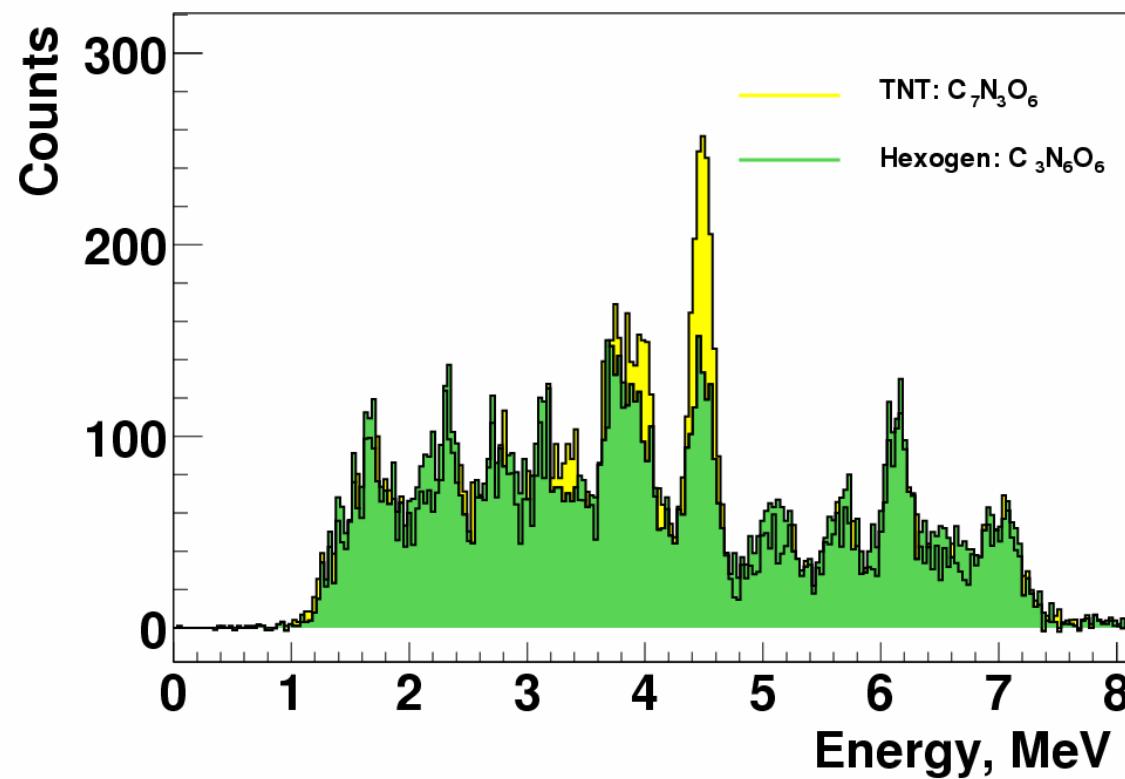


← melamine ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{N}_6$ )

Signal/background ratio is better than 200

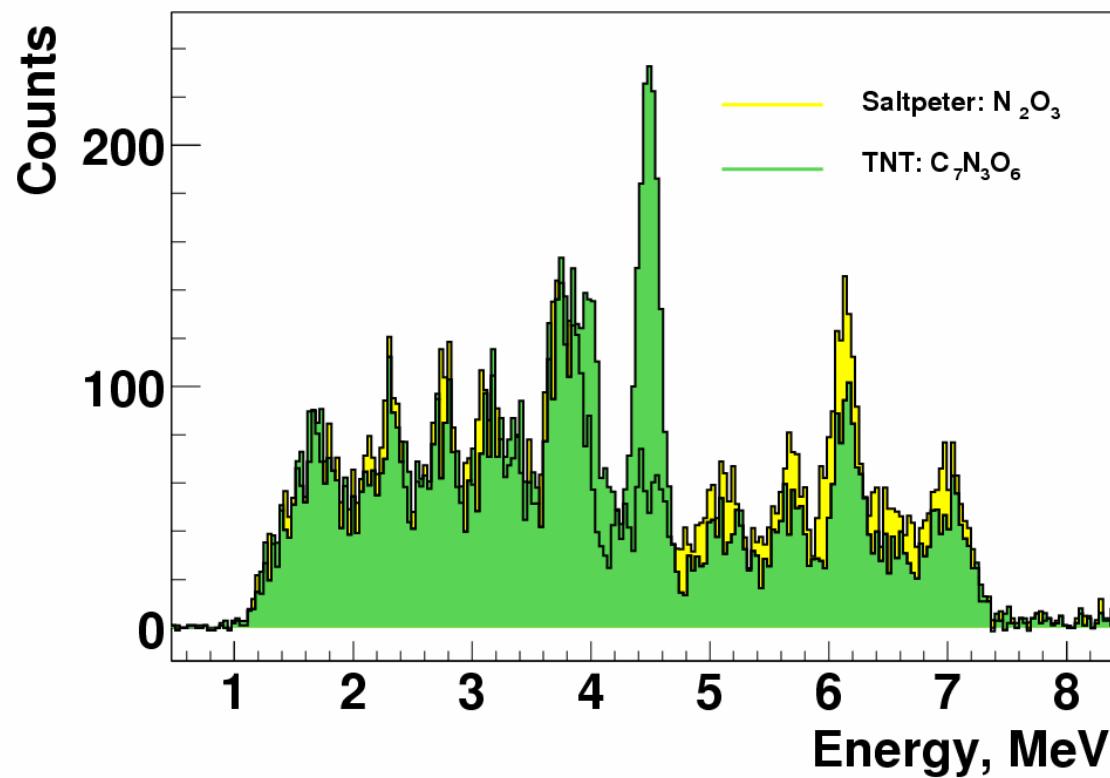


# Идентификация вещества – по спектрам $\gamma$ -квантов



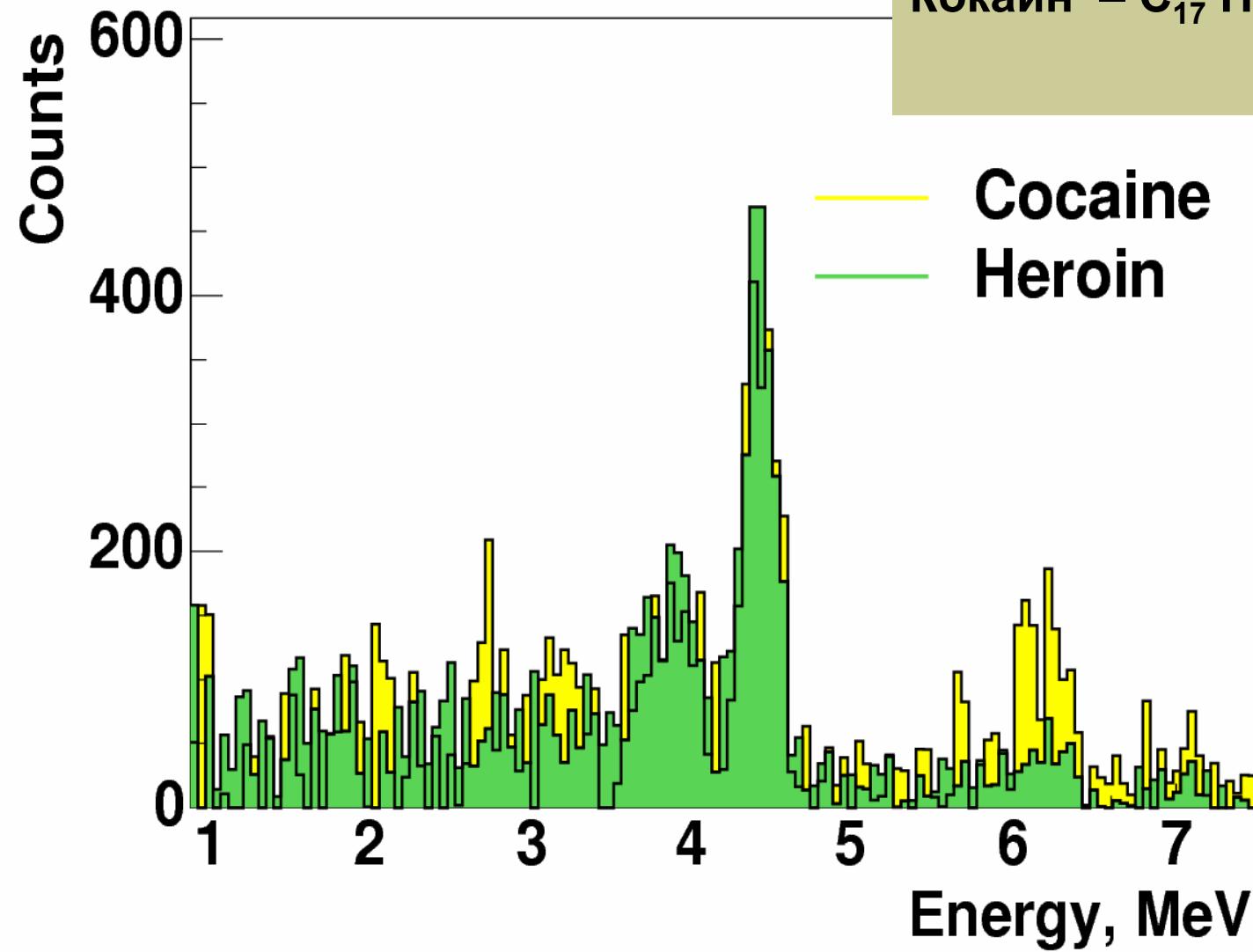
Тротил  
 $(C_7N_3O_6)$   
и  
гексоген  
 $(C_3N_6O_6)$

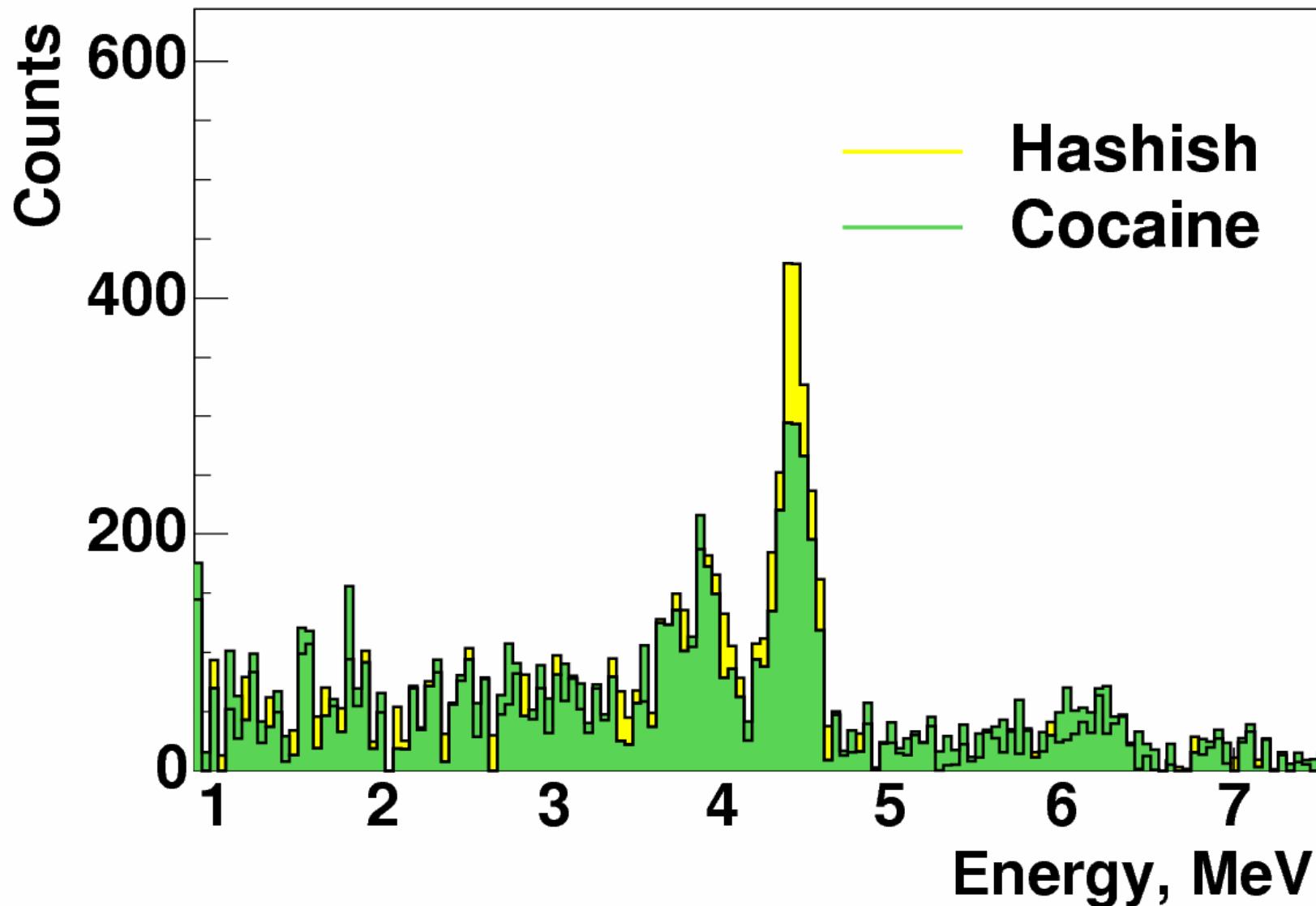
# Спектры $\gamma$ -квантов



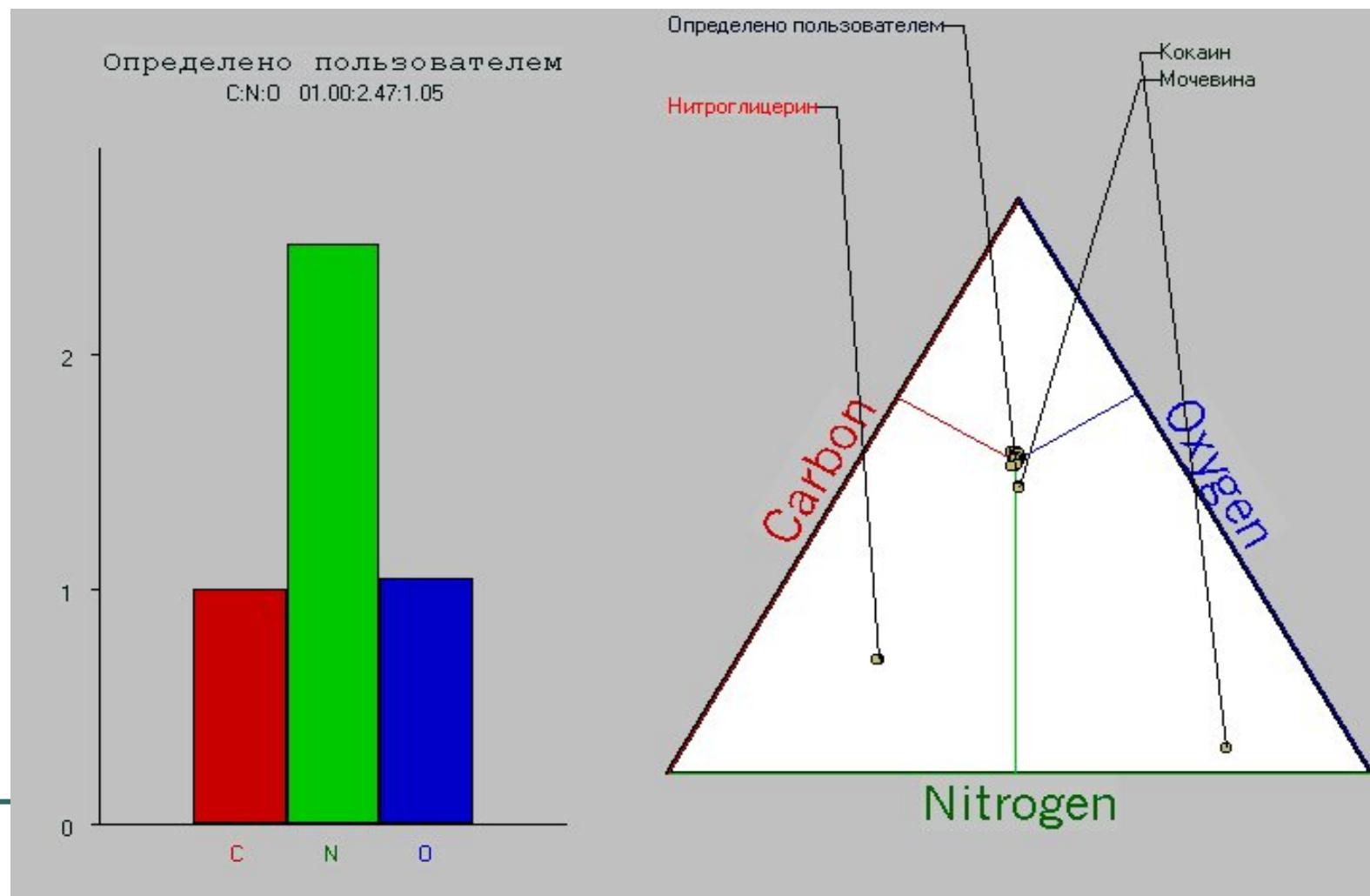
Селитра  
 $(\text{N}_2\text{O}_3)$   
и  
тротил  
 $(\text{C}_7\text{N}_3\text{O}_6)$

Героин –  $C_{19} H_{17} O_5 N$   
Кокаин –  $C_{17} H_{21} O_4 N$

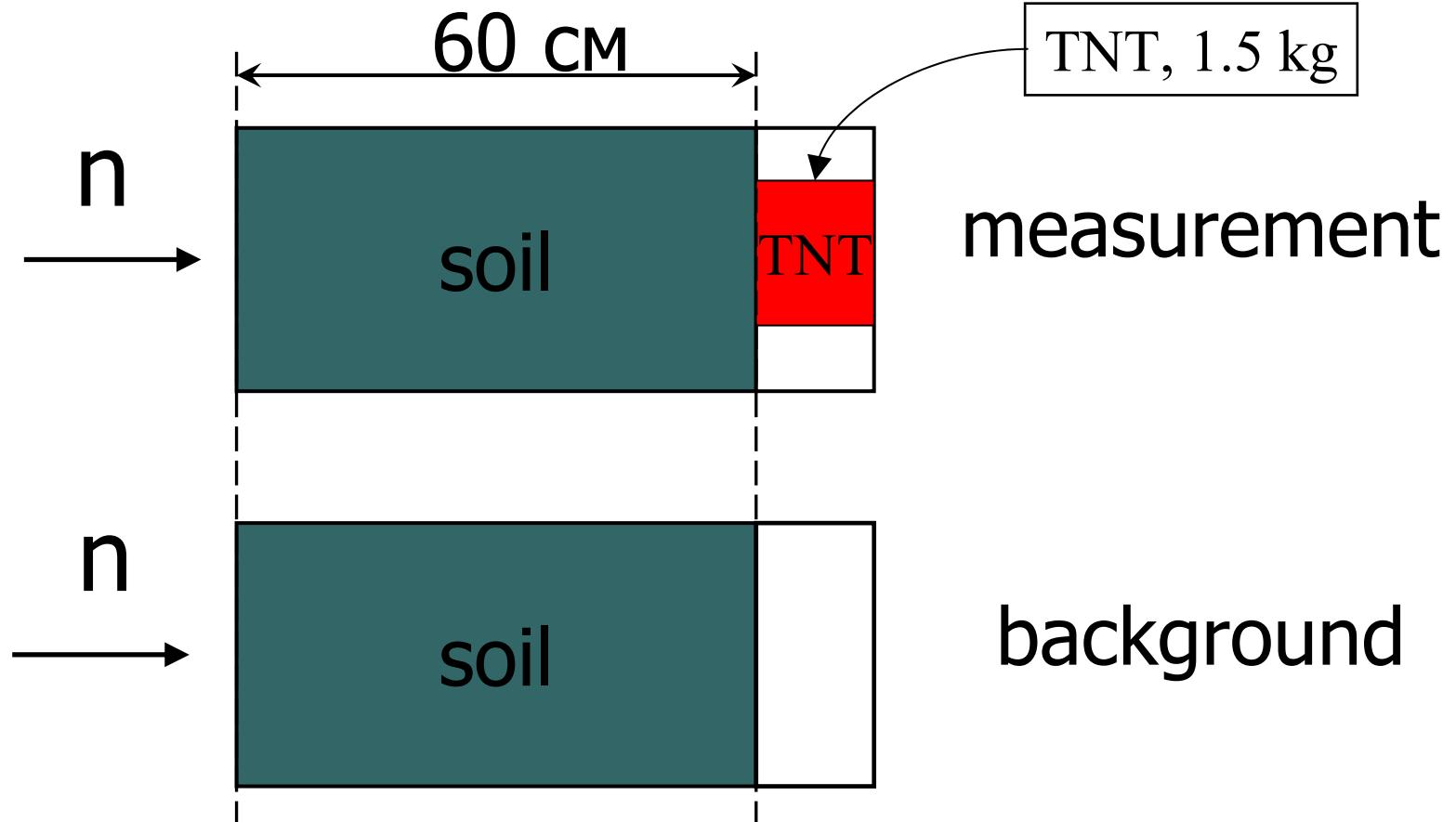




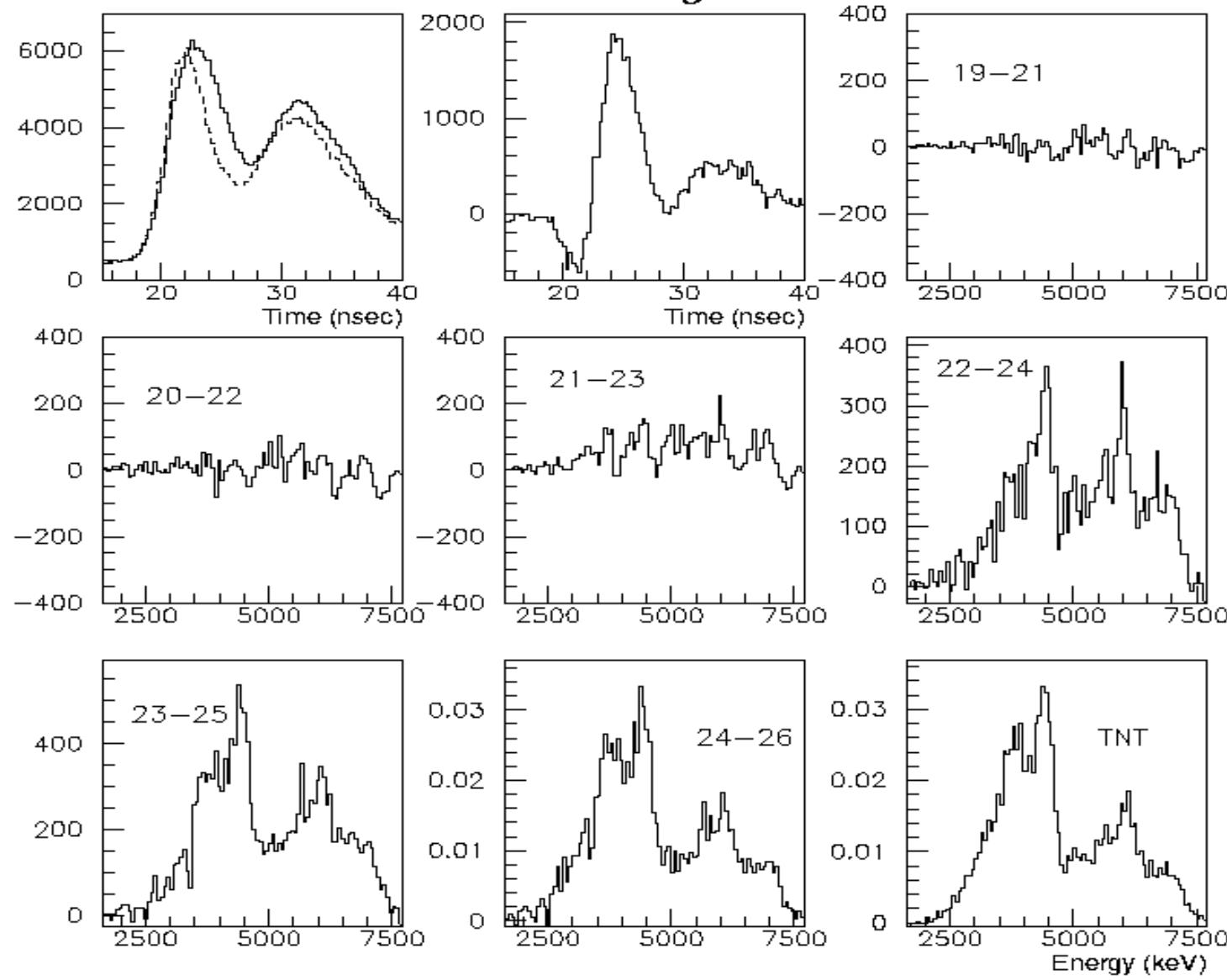
# Urea: CN<sub>2</sub>O



## TNT in soil

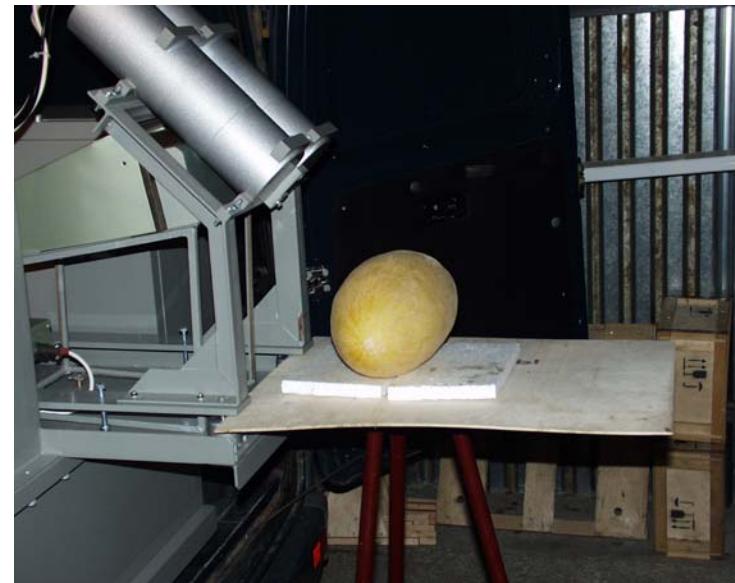


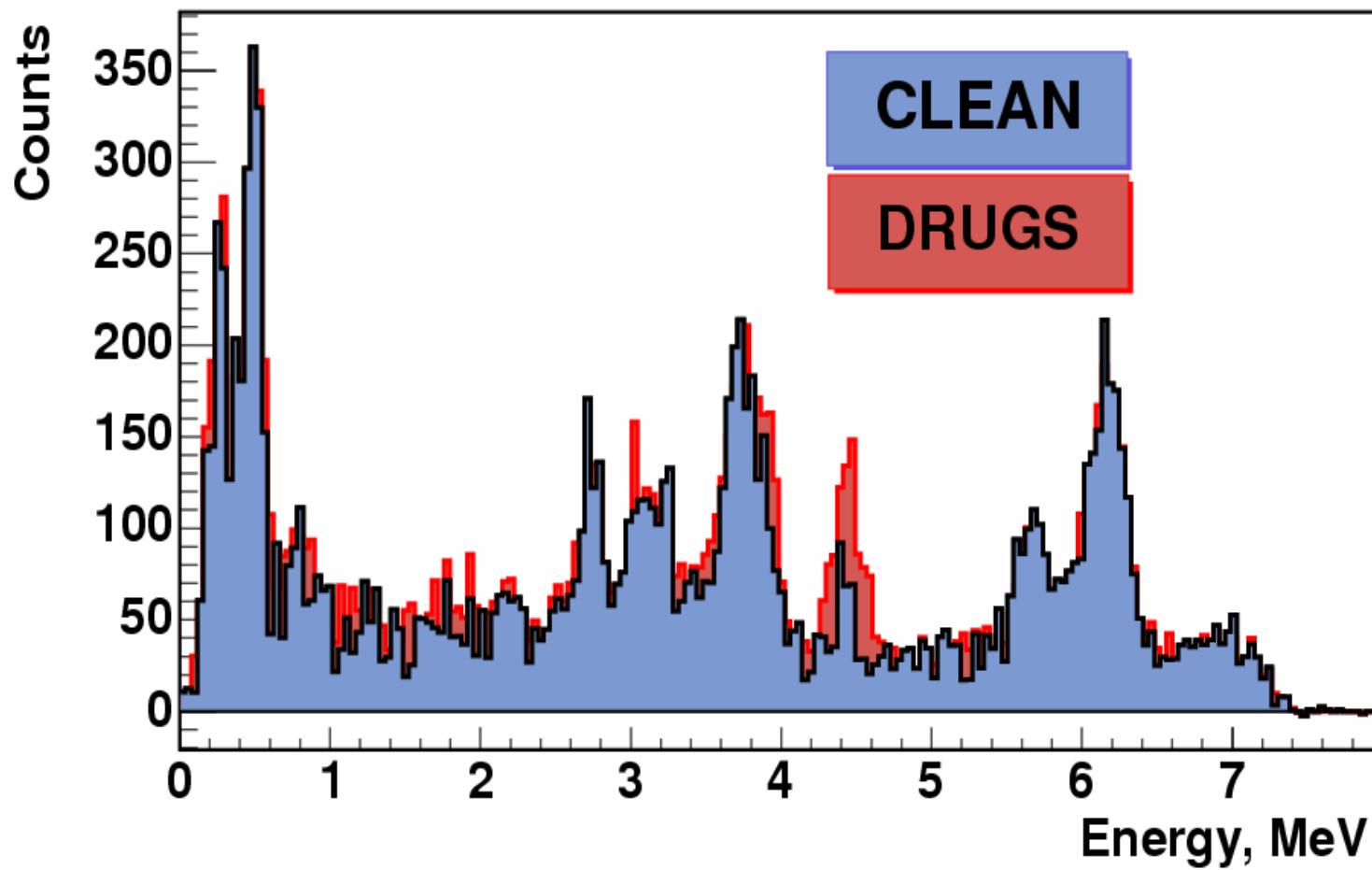
### **TNT underground.**



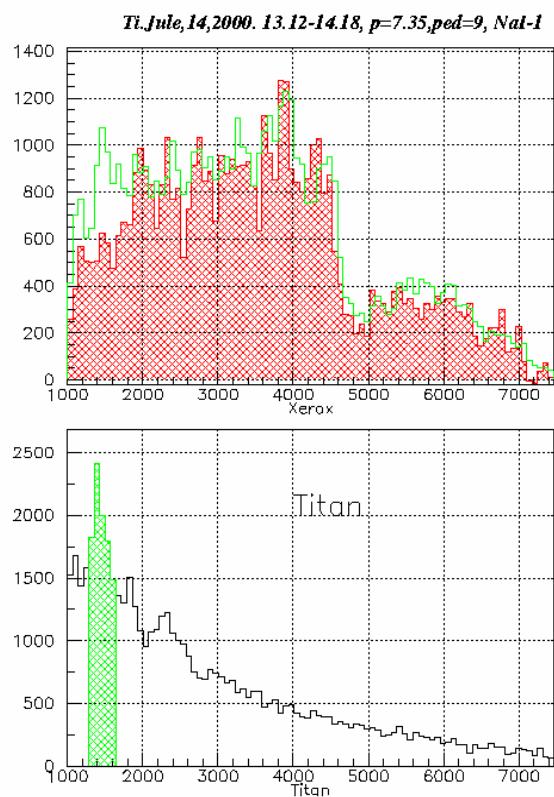
# Melon in benzene

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# Идентификация долларов

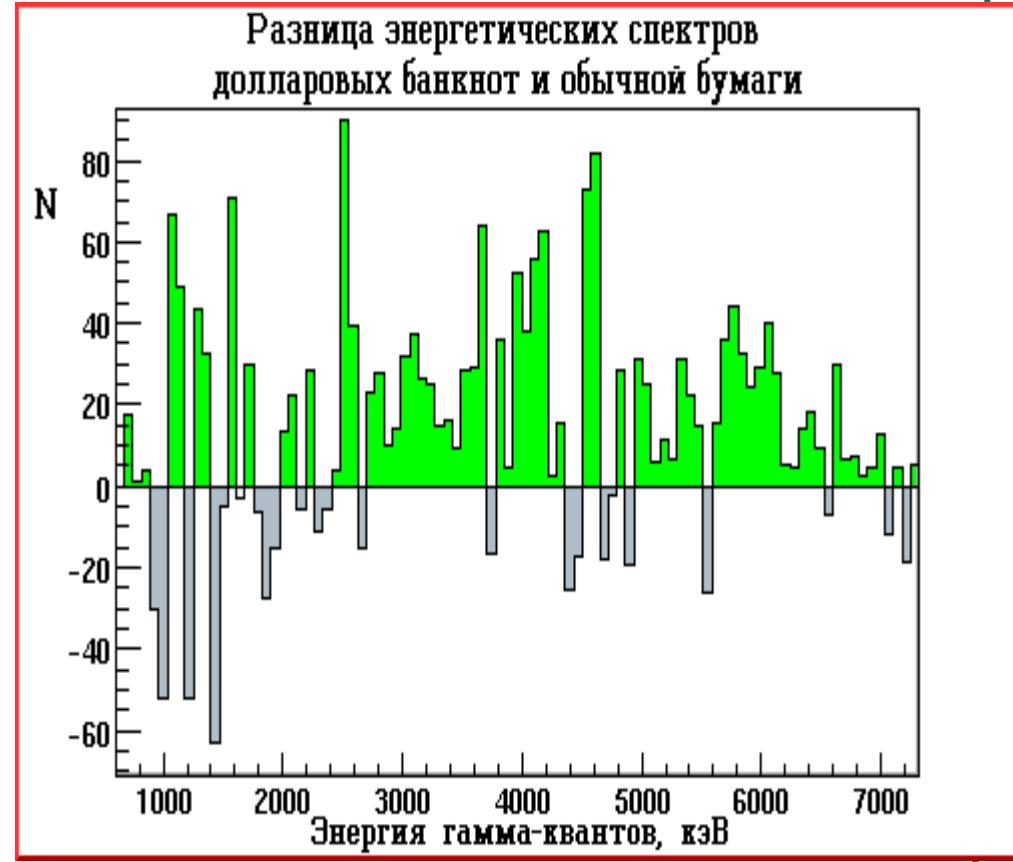


Элемент	Доллар	Бумага
C	41%	47%
H	6%	6%
O	46%	46%
S	-	0.11%
Пепел	7%	0.65%

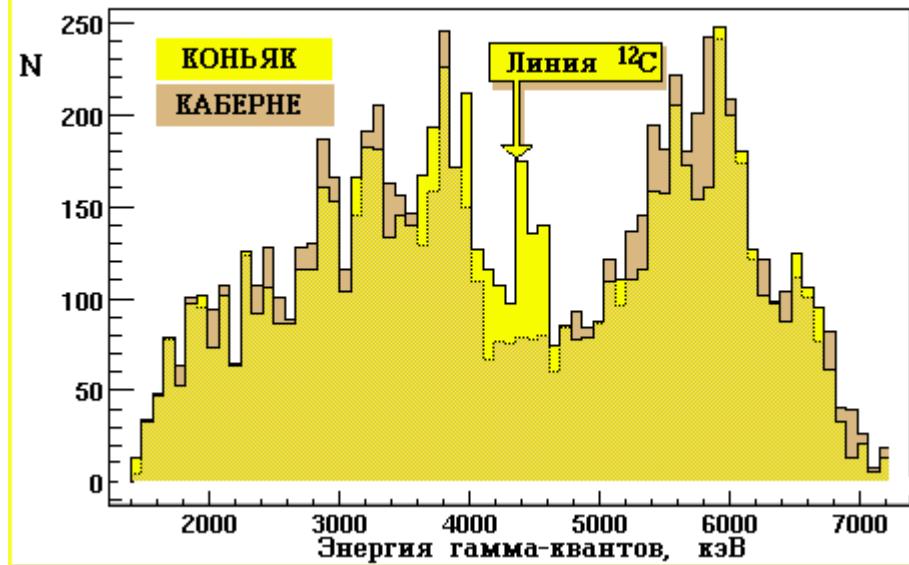
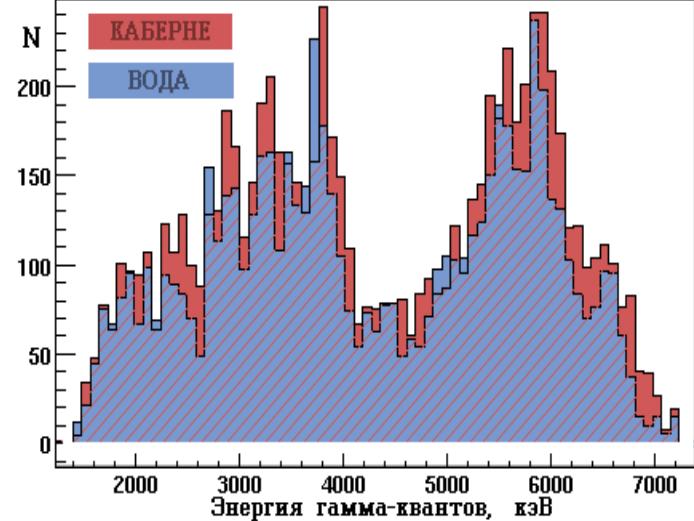
Основной элемент пепла :

- Титан: 63%

## Результат опытов: доллары



# Каберне/коньяк



## **Portable neutron generator**

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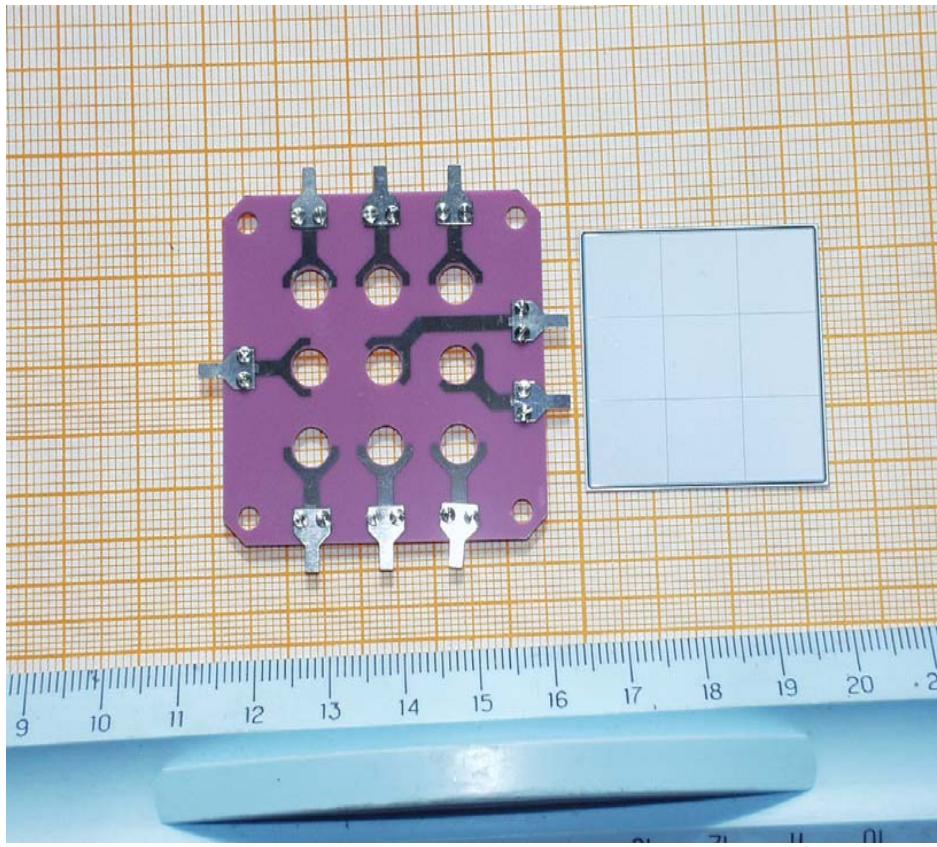


Five different types of PHG made by VNIIA (Moscow) have been tested  
Neutron intensity:

$$I = (1-10) \cdot 10^7 \text{ c}^{-1}$$

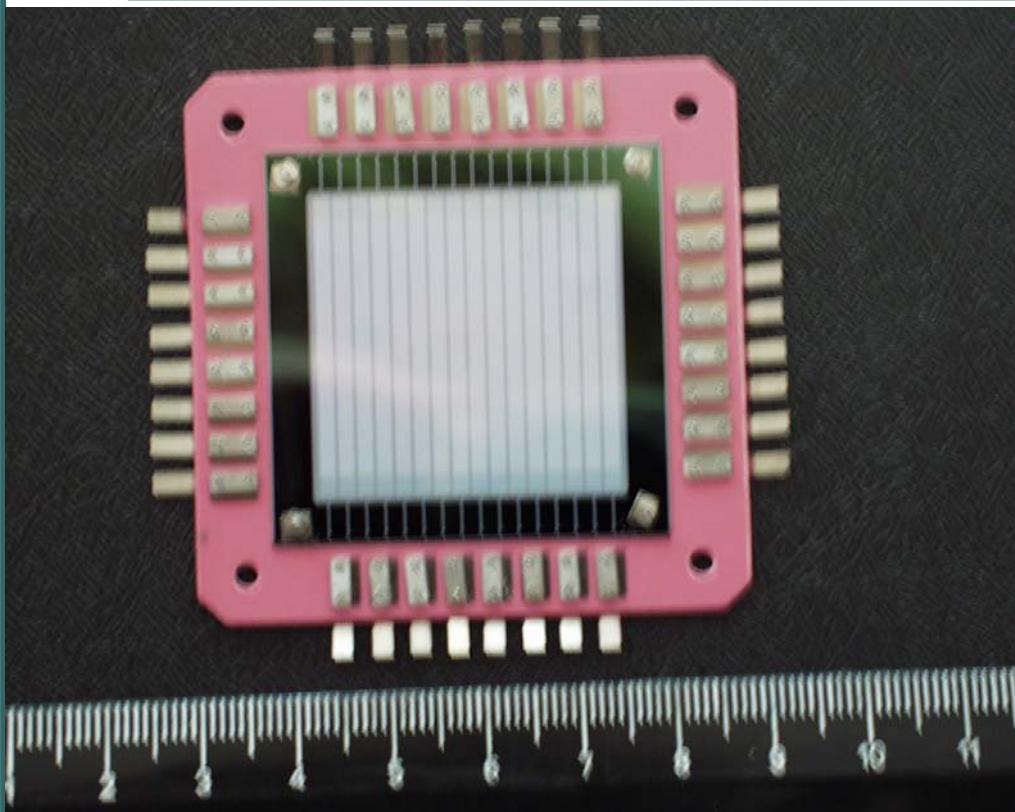
Operation time: up to 650 hours.

## $\alpha$ -detector on 9 channels



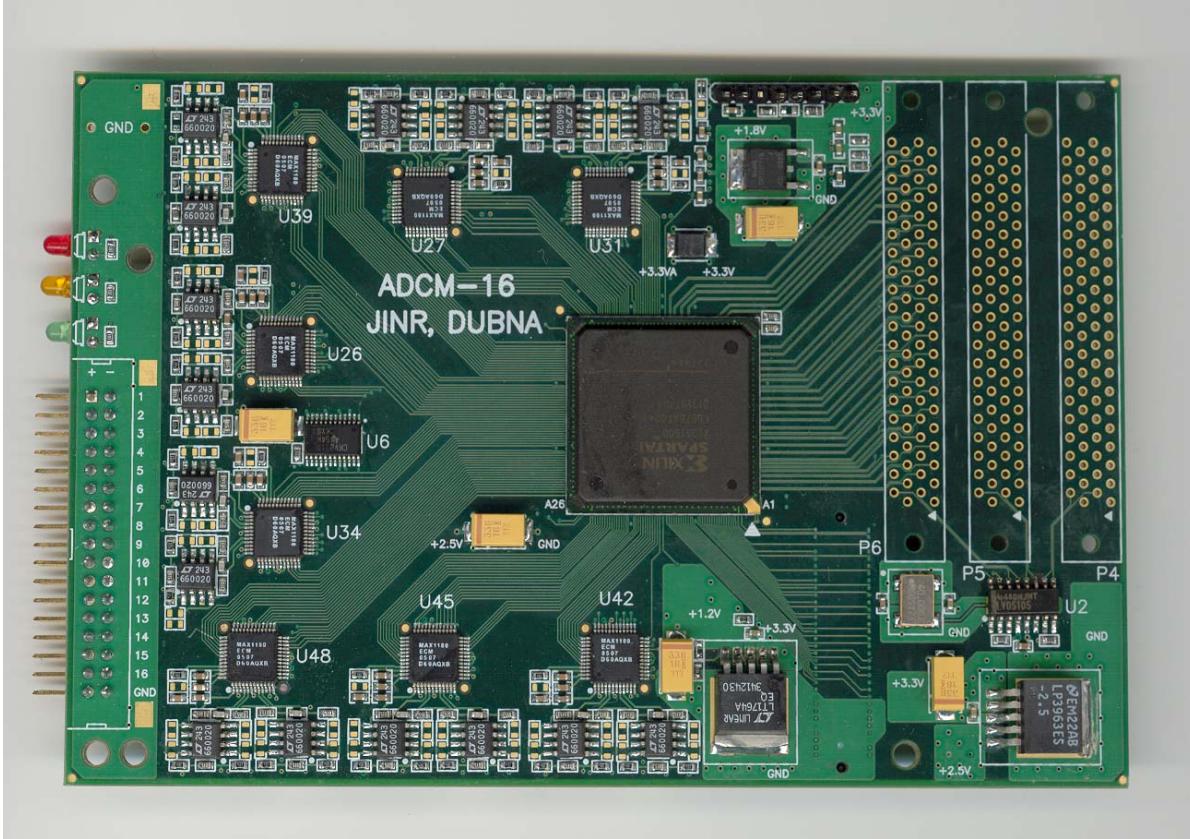
- Different types of  $\alpha$ -detectors have been constructed and tested
- 9 cells  $10 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$

## Развитие технической базы-2



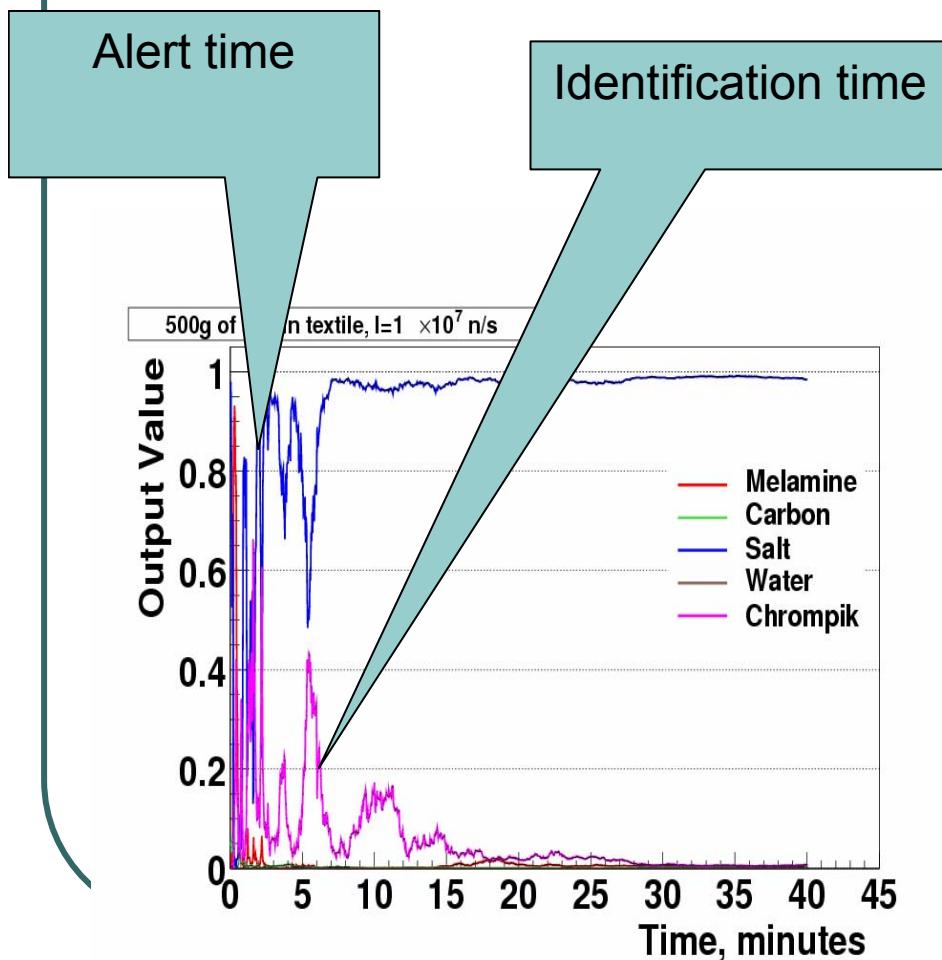
- α- детектор на 64-канала
- Размер пикселя – 4x4  $\text{мм}^2$
- 4 кратное уменьшение минимальной массы

# DAQ electronics



- PCI-card for 16  $\alpha$ -  $\gamma$ -channels has been developed

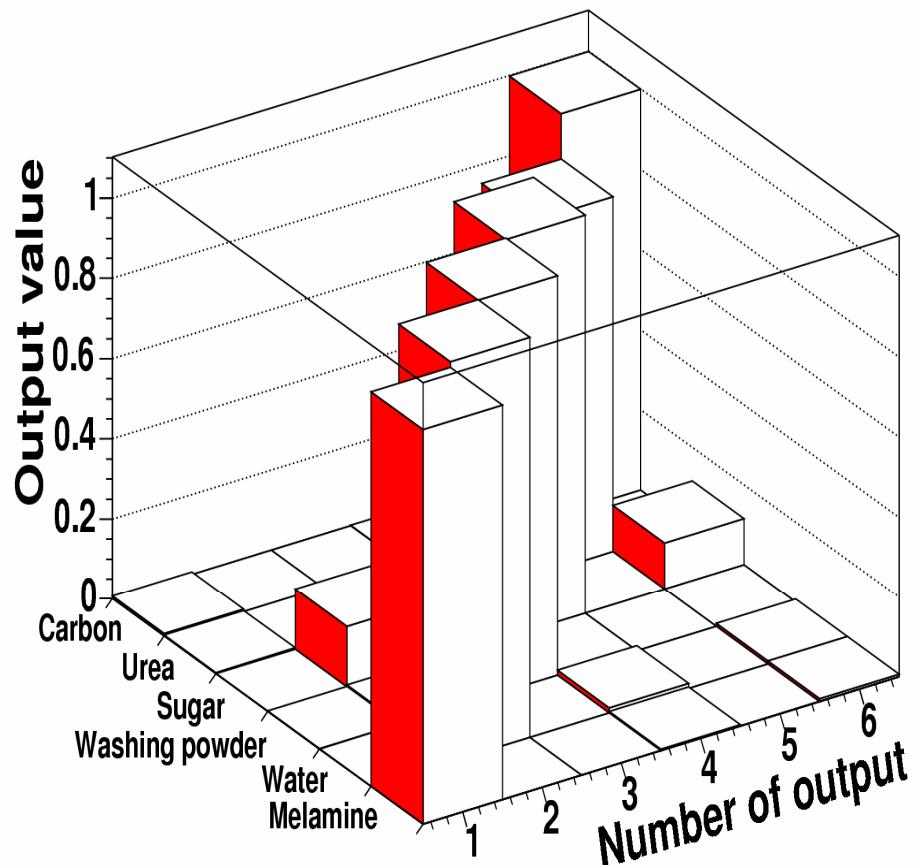
# Identification of hidden substances by neural networks



- Neural net output  
 $P > 0.8$  – alert time
- Identification time  
 $P > 0.8$  for one substance  
 $P < 0.2$  – for all other substances

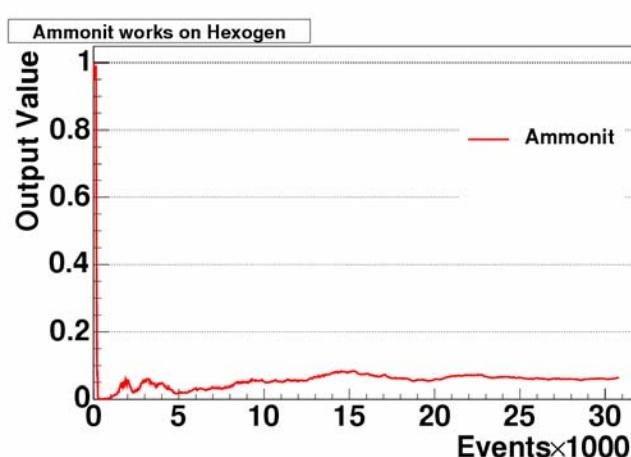
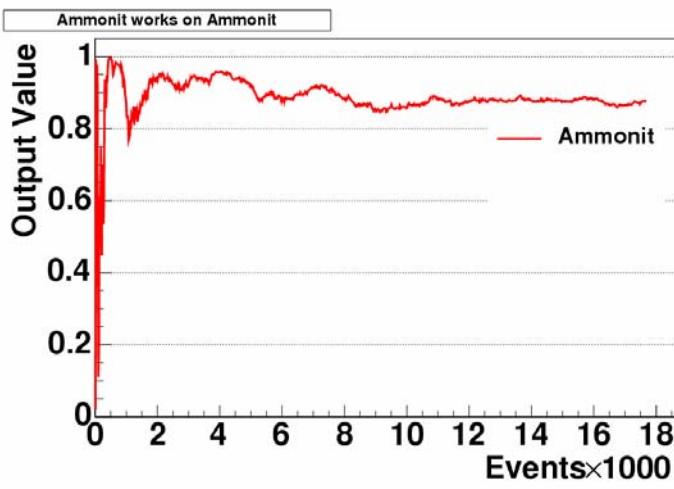
# Identification of the hidden substance

Neural Network Test



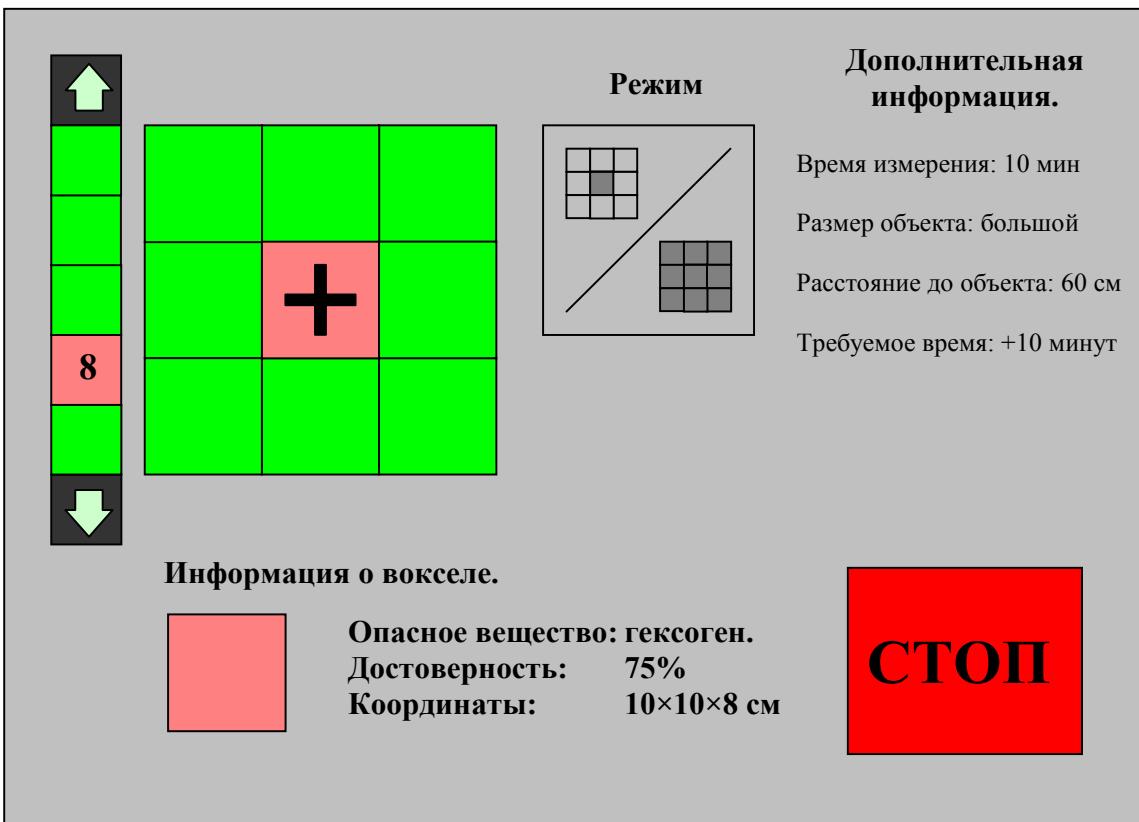
The test of the neuron net performance. Along Y axis the number of interrogated substance is plotted. The results is the corresponding identification probability. It is plotted on Z axis.

# Распознавание ВВ



- Изучена идентификация различных ВВ:  
ТНТ, ТЭН, тетрил, гексоген,  
гранулит, аммонит, А-IX-1,  
А-IX-2, ПВВ-12А
- А-IX-1 – гексоген + 5% связующего вещества  
А-IX-2 – гексоген + 20% алюминиевой пудры
- Сеть отличает А-IX-2 от А-IX-1 или от гексогена

# Users interface



Identification  
procedure is  
without  
operator

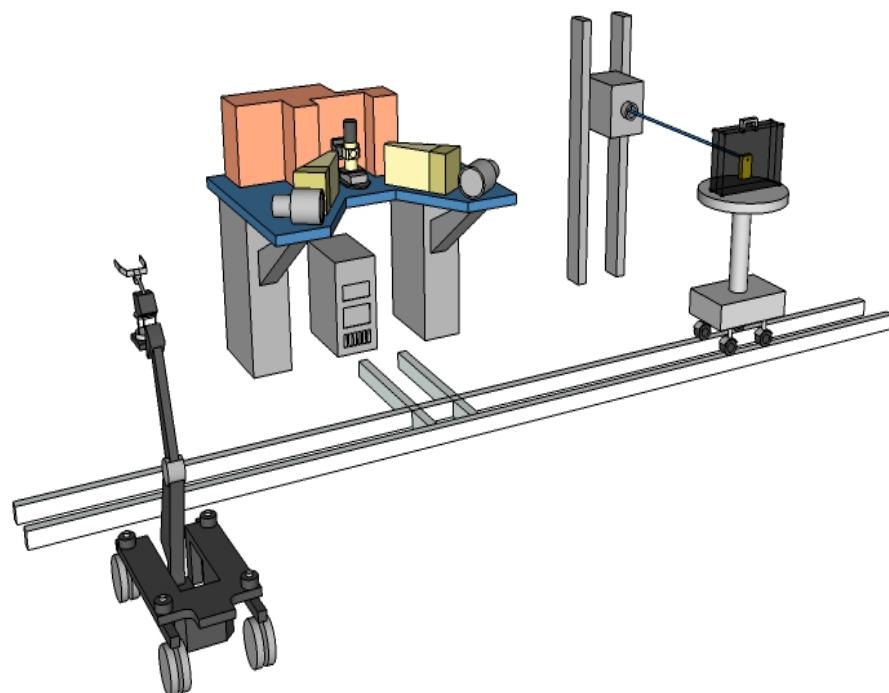
## **Collaboration with SPC “Aspect”**

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- Mobile prototype for Customs was constructed
- Work on prototype for large containers inspection is under way

# Стационарная установка



- Работа по  
целеуказанию
- Целеуказание  
рентгеновский  
интроскоп

# Stationary detector

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## Main advantages of the Associated Particle Imaging method

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- Sensitivity to the C:N:O:Cl:Fe:Al.... composition of the substance
- Determination of the 3-D coordinates of hidden object
- Large penetration capability – up to 1-1.5 m
- Good conditions for the hidden substance identification. S/B=200 times higher then in traditional neutron activation analysis.
- Identification procedure is without an operator

## **Summary:**

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- The application of the Tagged Neutrons Method was tested successfully.
- Main components of the detector have been created.
- First prototypes have been constructed and tested in lab conditions.
- Useful tool, complimentary to the existing arsenal of devices.