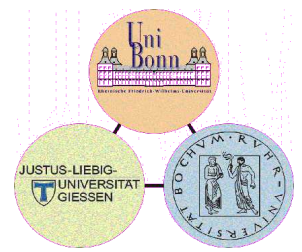




# **Meson Photoproduction from Nuclei – Medium Modifications of Mesons Teilprojekt B4**



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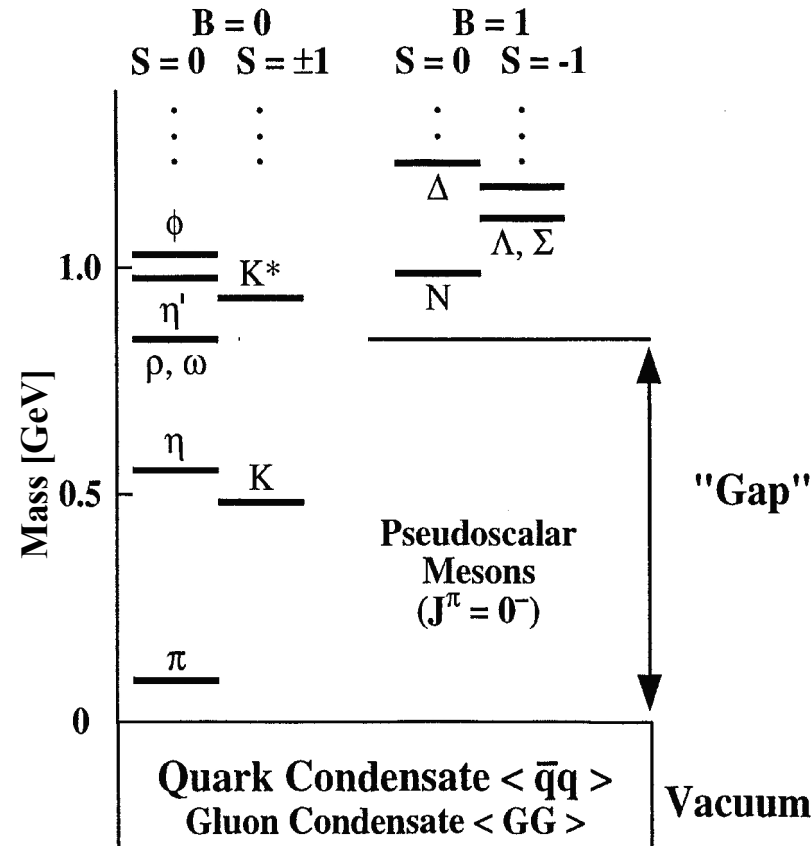
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Germany**

- **motivation**
- **first observation of medium modifications of the  $\omega$  meson:**
  - a.) **mass shift**
  - b.) **fragmentation of  $\omega$  strength?**
  - b.) **in-medium width**
- **first indication for an  $\omega$ -nucleus bound state:  $^{11}_{\omega}\text{B}$  ?**
- **modifications of  $\pi\pi$  correlations in nuclei**
- **summary and outlook**

**SFB/TR16 Mitgliederversammlung  
Bommerholz, 28.11.2006**

# Motivation



- hadrons = excitations of the QCD vacuum
- QCD-vacuum: complicated structure characterized by condensates
- in the nuclear medium: condensates are changed  
→ change of the hadronic excitation energy spectrum

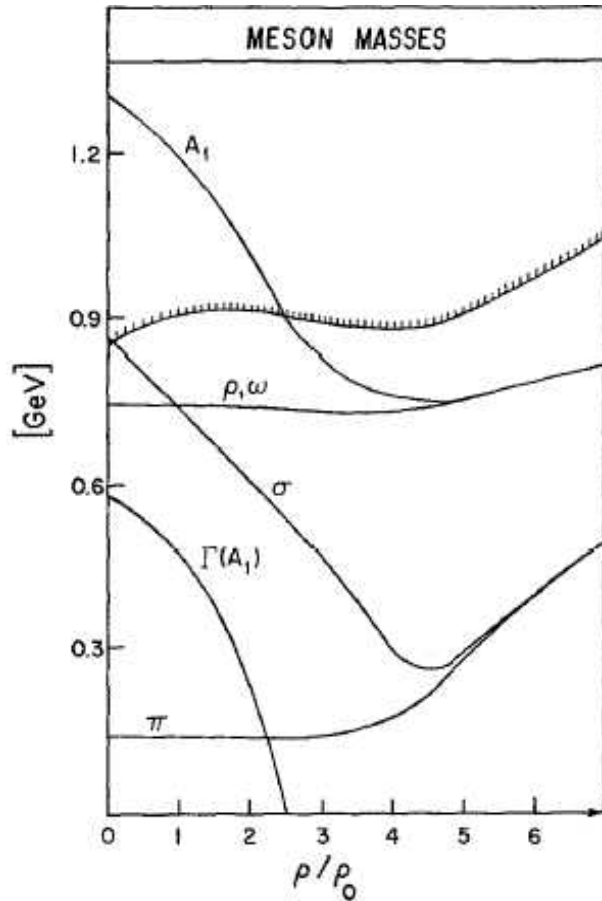
G.E.Brown and M. Rho,  $\frac{m^*}{m} \approx \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^*}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle} \approx 0.8 (\rho \approx \rho_0)$   
PRL 66 (1991) 2720

T.Hatsuda and S. Lee,  $\frac{m_V^*}{m_V} = \left( 1 - \alpha \frac{\rho_B}{\rho_0} \right) ; \alpha \approx 0.18$   
PRC 46 (1992) R34

⇒ widespread experimental and theoretical activities  
to search for and study in-medium modifications of hadrons

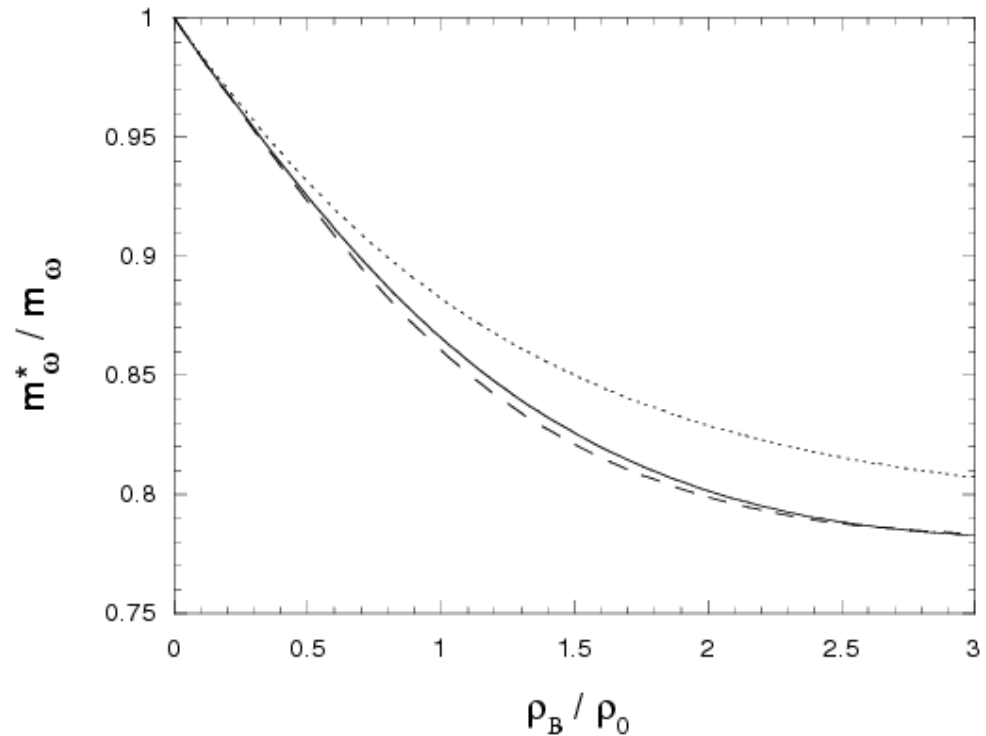
# model predictions for in-medium masses of mesons

V. Bernard and U.-G. Meißner  
NPA 489 (1988) 647  
NJL-model



$\omega$ -mass roughly constant

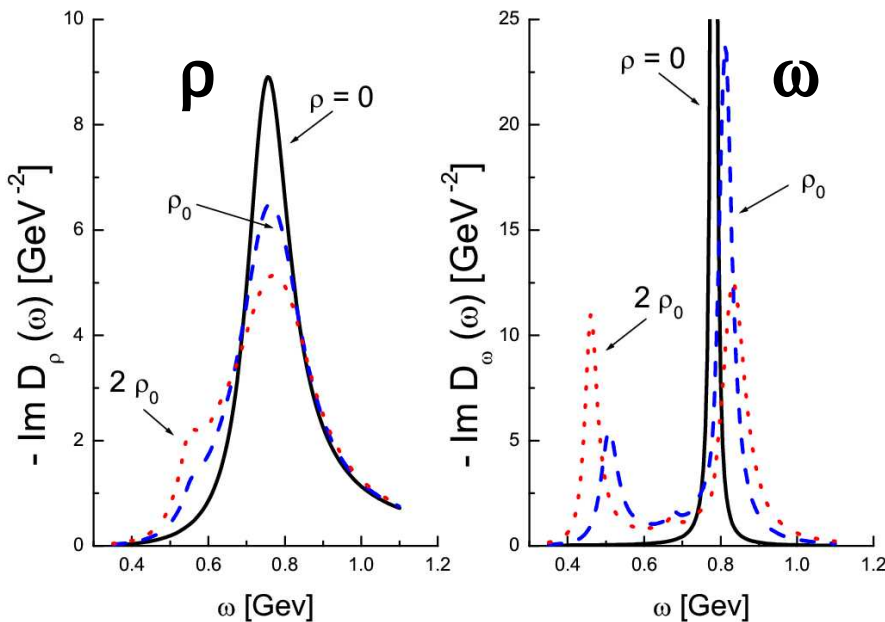
K. Saito, K. Tushima, and A.W. Thomas  
PRC 55 (1997) 2637  
Quark-meson coupling model (QMC)



decrease of  $\omega$ -mass by  $\approx 15\%$   
at normal nuclear matter density

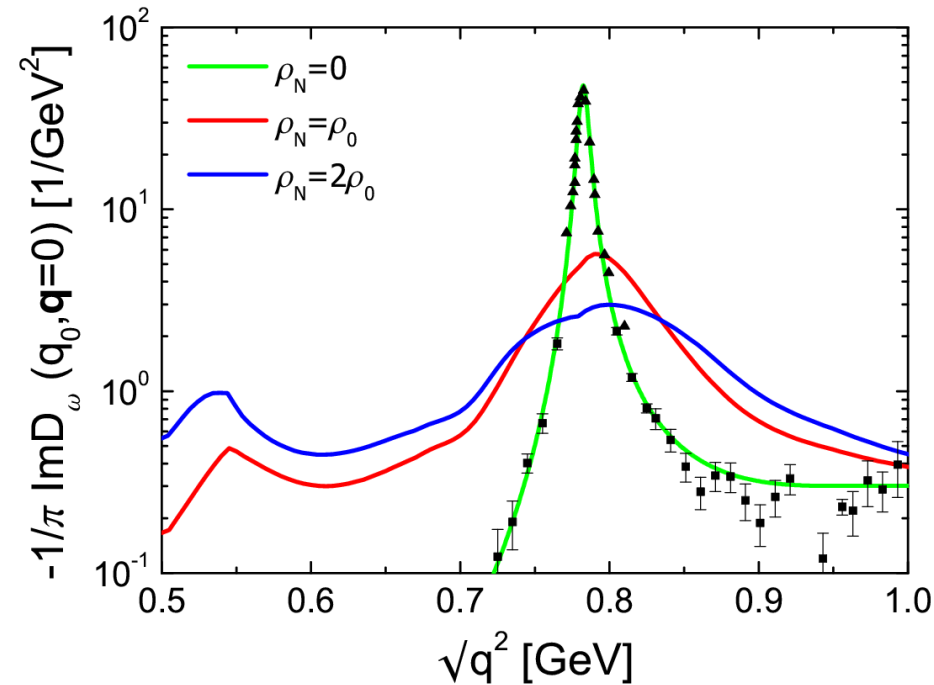
# Model predictions for spectral functions of $\rho$ and $\omega$ mesons

M. Lutz et al. , Nucl. Phys. A 706 (2002) 431



structure in spectral function due to coupling to baryon resonances

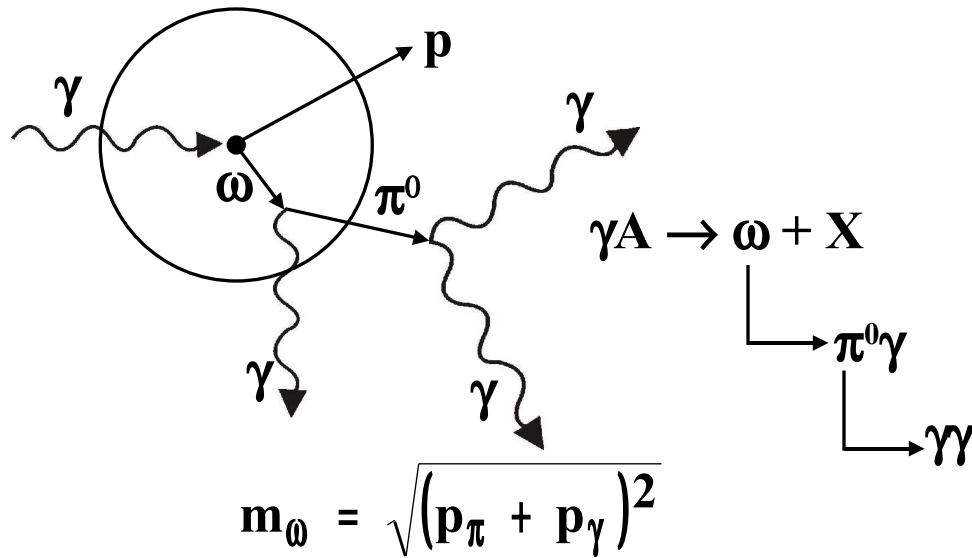
P. Mühlich, priv. com.



$\omega$  spectral function  
(structure due to coupling to  $S_{11}, P_{13}$  resonances)

# $\omega$ -mass in nuclei from photonuclear reactions

J.G.Messchendorp et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 11 (2001) 95



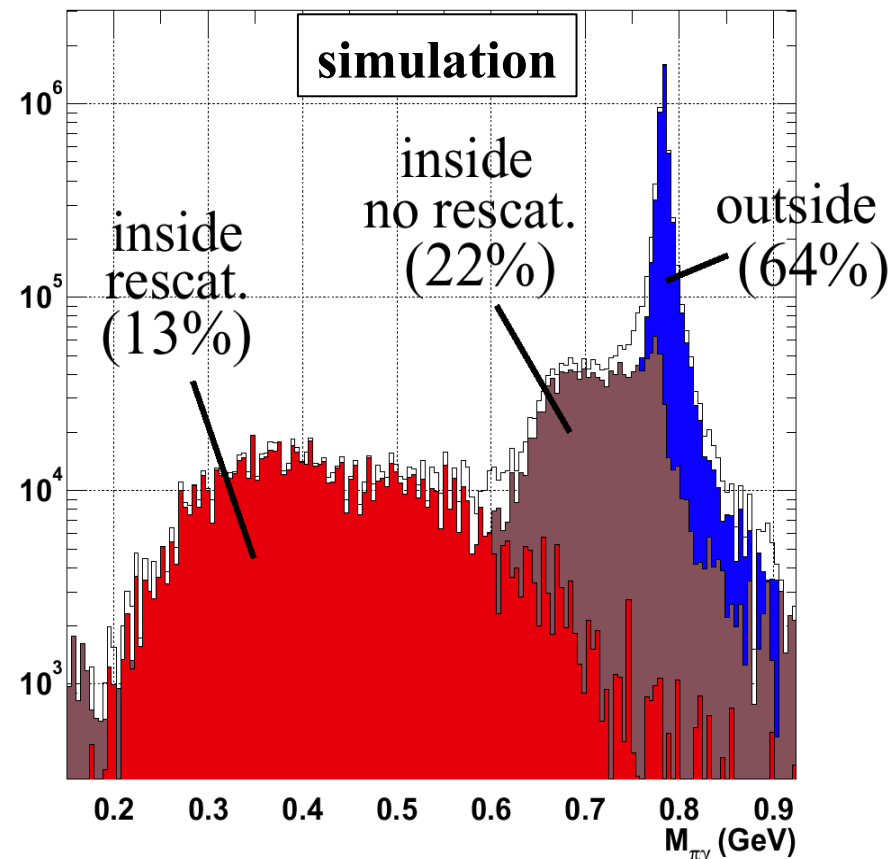
## advantage:

- $\pi^0\gamma$  large branching ratio (8 %)
- no  $\rho$ -contribution ( $\rho \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma : 7 \cdot 10^{-4}$ )

## disadvantage:

- $\pi^0$ -rescattering

$\gamma + \text{Nb} @ 1.2 \text{ GeV}$



no distortion by pion rescattering  
expected in mass range of interest;  
further reduced by requiring  $T_\pi > 150 \text{ MeV}$

# 4 $\pi$ detector system CB/TAPS @ ELSA

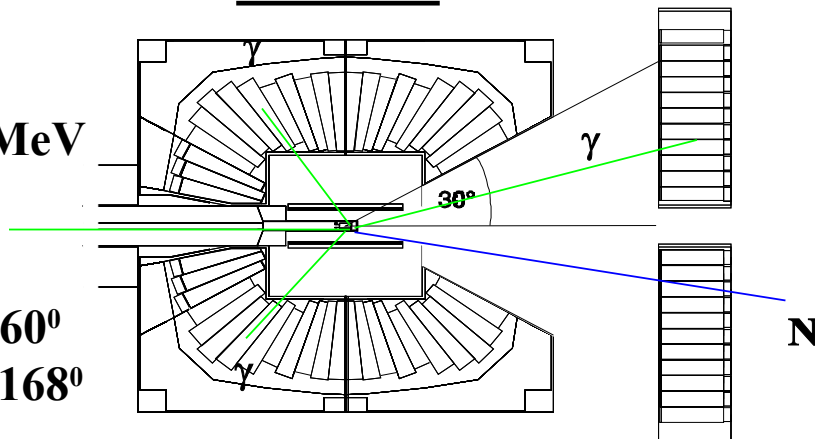
## Crystal Barrel

1290 CsI

side view

$E_\gamma =$   
900-2200 MeV

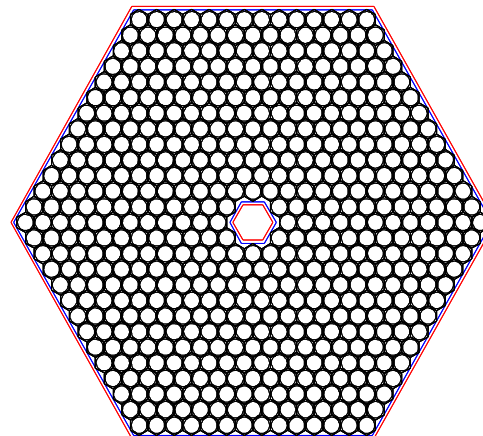
$\Phi = 0^\circ$  to  $360^\circ$   
 $\Theta = 30^\circ$  to  $168^\circ$



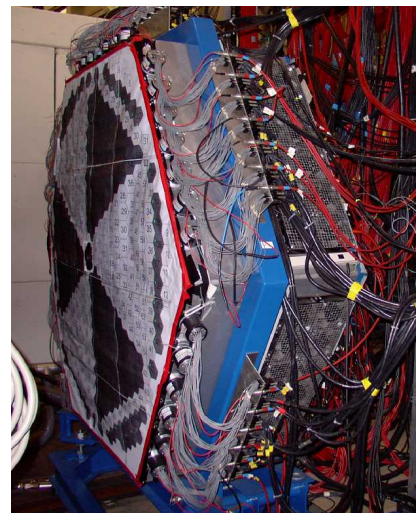
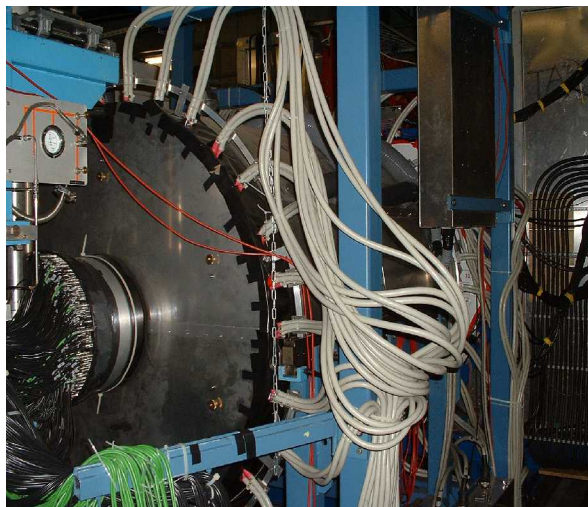
## TAPS

528 BaF<sub>2</sub>

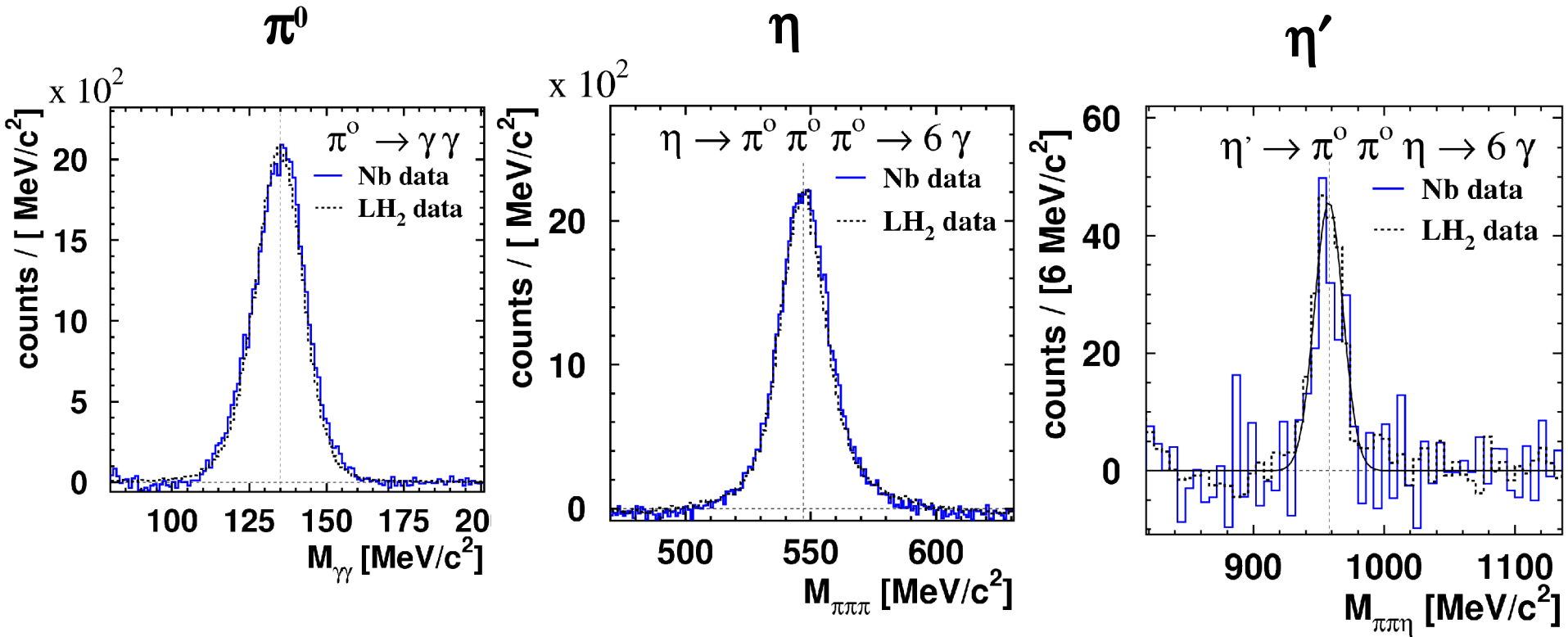
front view of TAPS



$\Phi = 0^\circ$  to  $360^\circ$   
 $\Theta = 5^\circ$  to  $30^\circ$



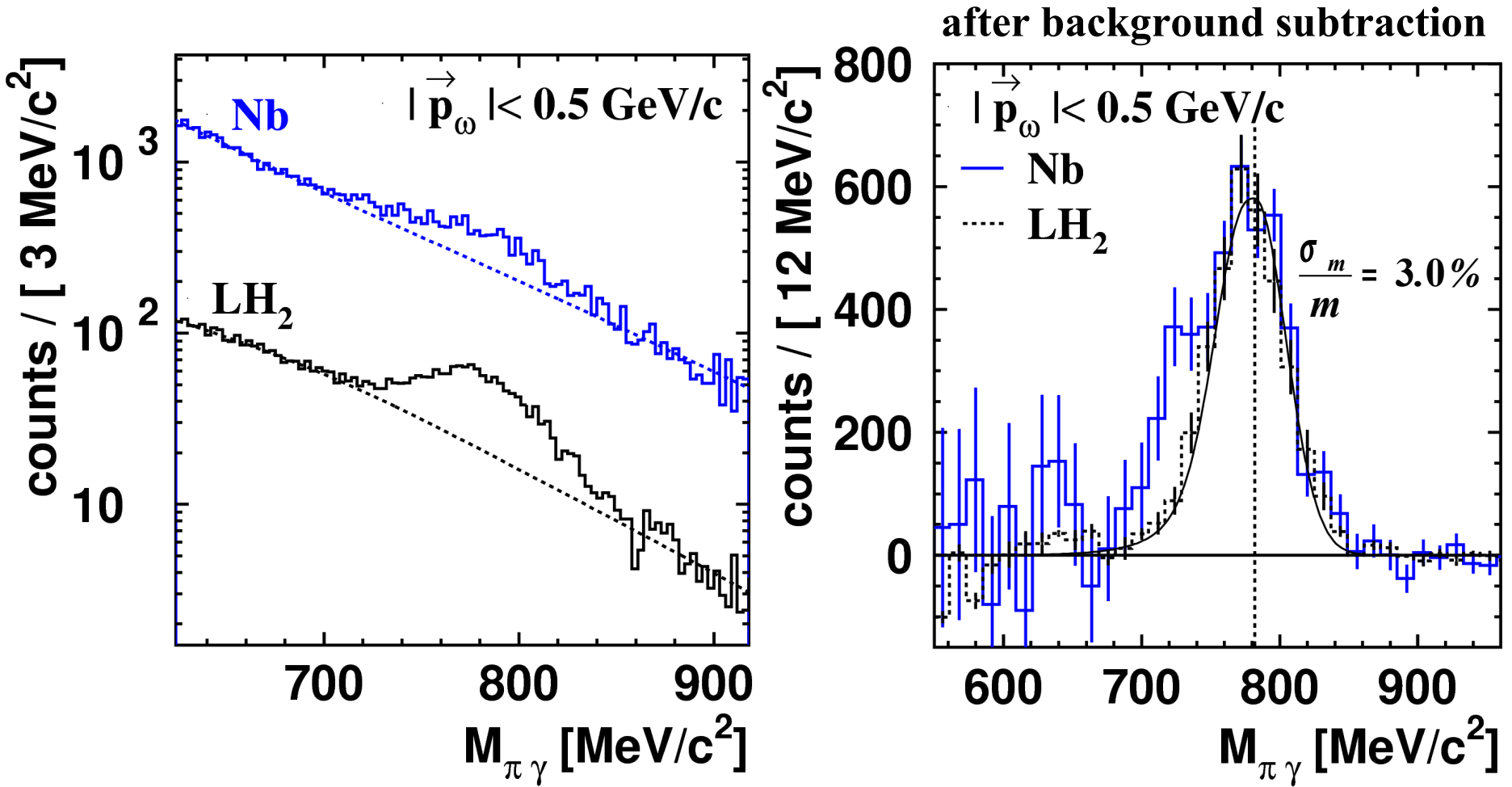
# comparison of meson masses and lineshapes for LH<sub>2</sub> and nuclear targets after background subtraction



No change of mass and lineshape for longlived mesons ( $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\eta'$ ) decaying outside nuclei

# inclusive $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ signal for $\text{LH}_2$ and **Nb** target

D. Trnka et al., PRL 94 (2005) 192203

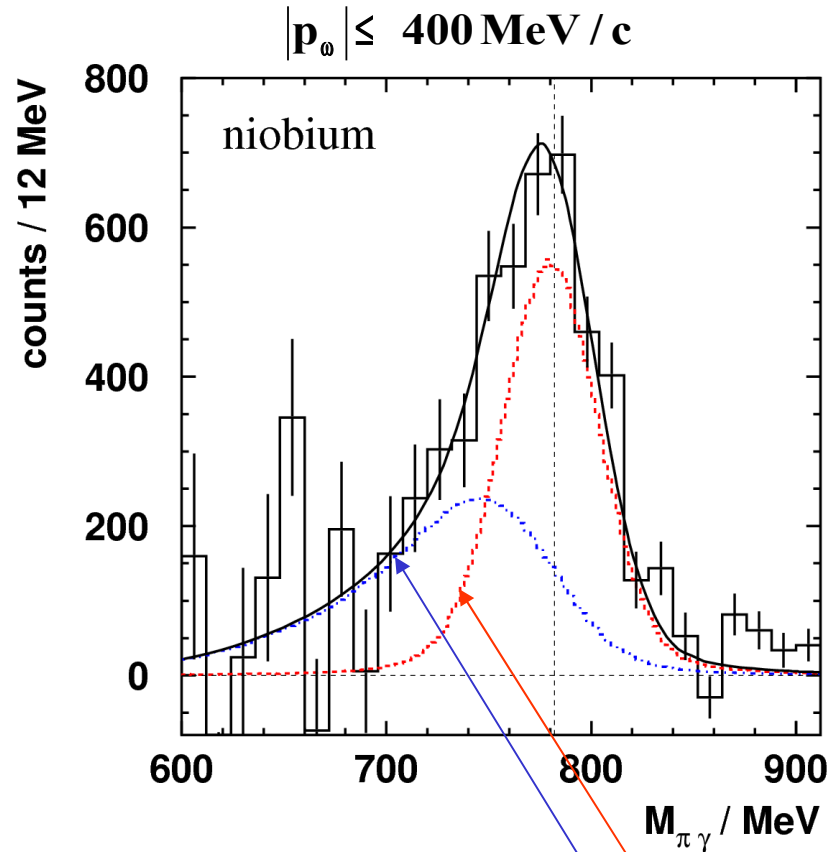


difference in line shape of  $\omega$  signal for proton and nuclear target

consistent with  $m_\omega = m_0 (1 - \alpha \rho/\rho_0)$  for  $\alpha = 0.13$

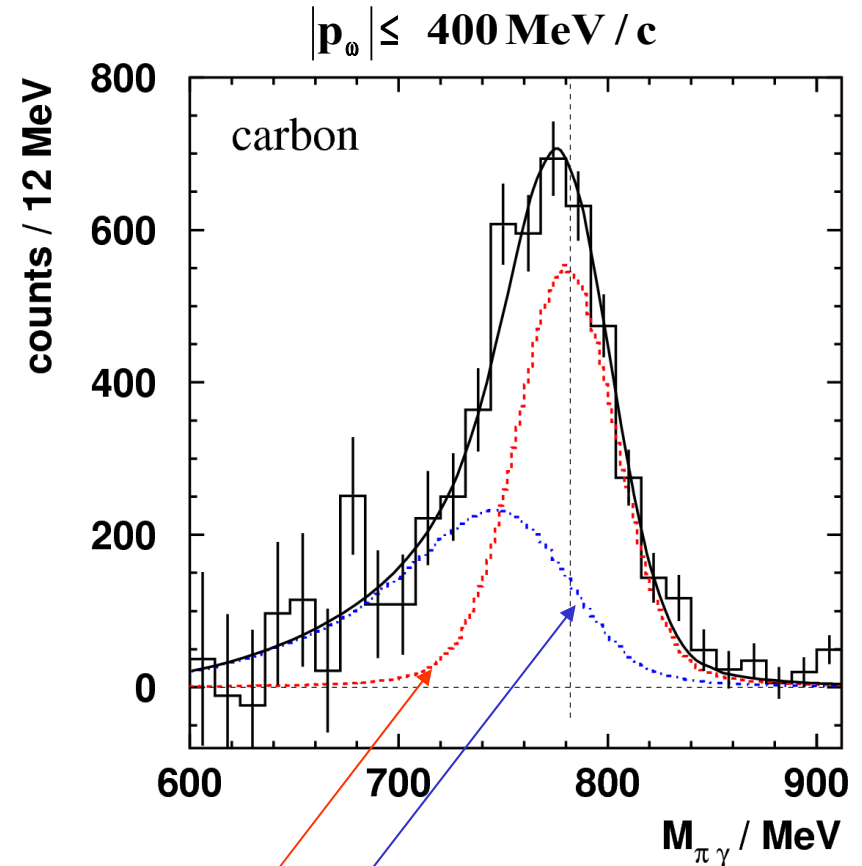


# decomposition of $\omega$ signal into in-medium and vacuum decay contributions



Nb: in-medium: 45%

**vacuum contribution**  
**in-medium contribution**



C: in-medium: 40%

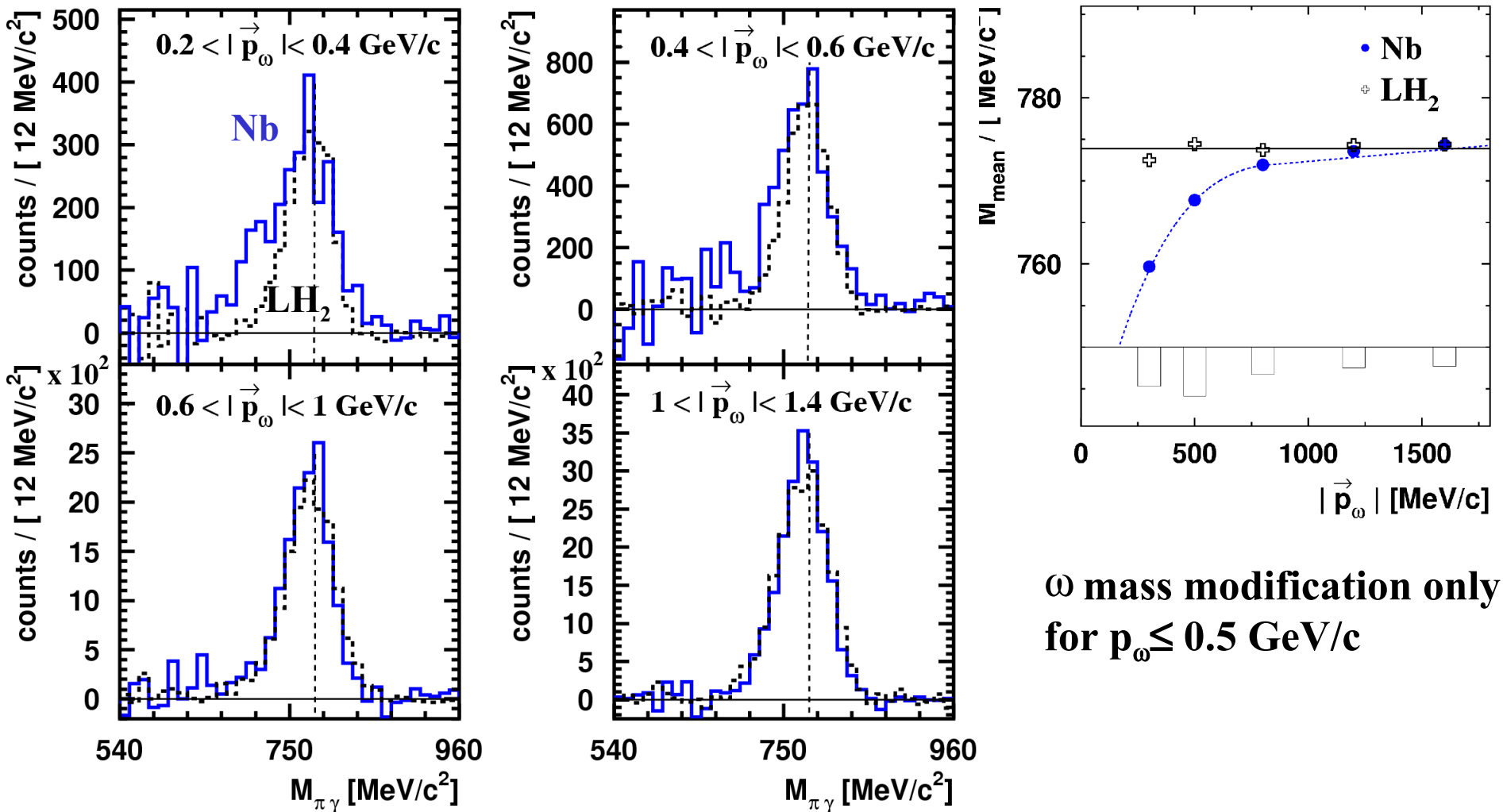
**lineshape of vacuum contribution taken from  $\text{LH}_2$  experiment**

**shape of in-medium contribution taken from BUU simulation**

**(P. Mühlich and U. Mosel, NPA (2006)), assuming  $m_\omega = m_0(1 - 0.16 \rho/\rho_0)$**

# momentum dependence of $\omega$ signal (Nb-target)

D. Trnka et al., PRL 94 (2005)192303



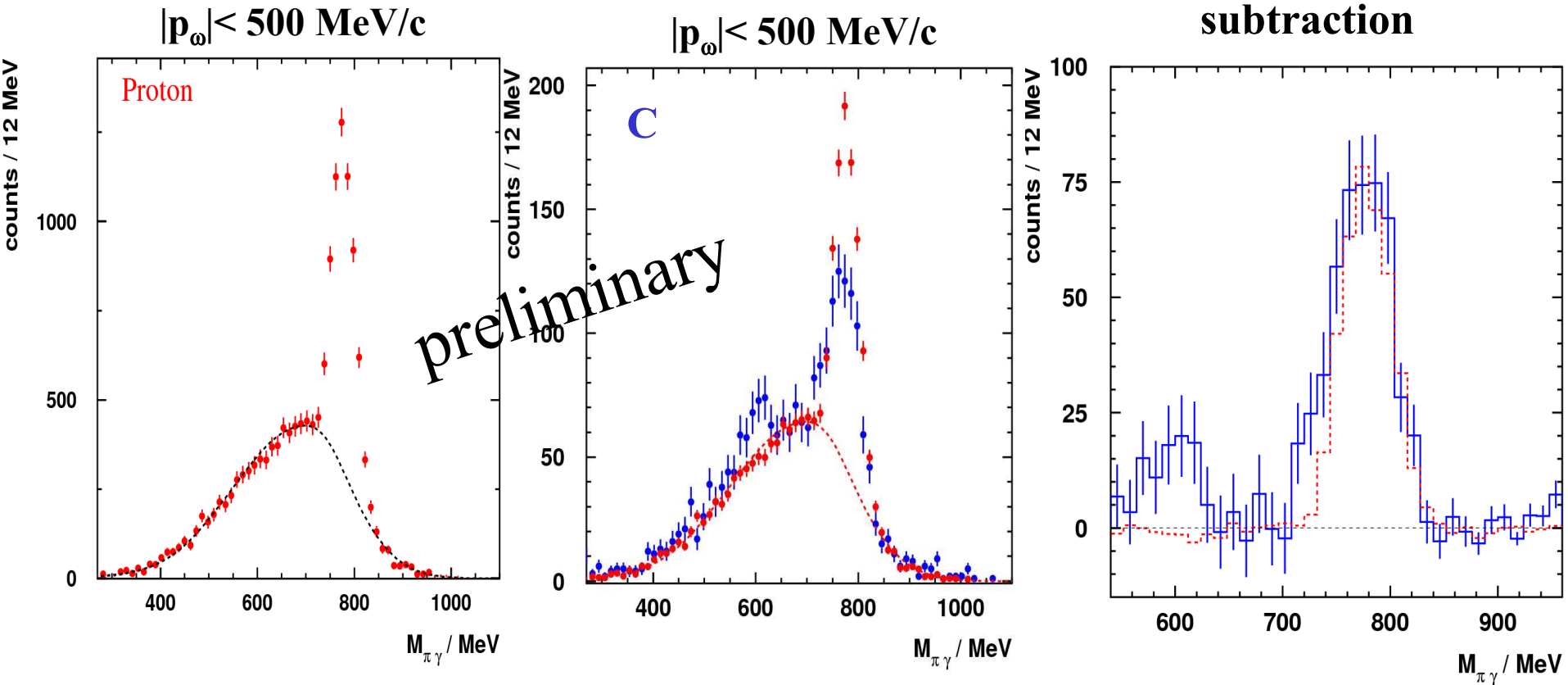
determination of momentum dependence of  $\omega$  - nucleus potential requires  
finer momentum bins  $\Rightarrow$  improved 2nd. generation experiment

# refined analysis requiring recoil proton and p- $\omega$ coplanarity

D. Trnka (Gießen) priv. com.

**No background subtraction!!!**

after  $\text{LH}_2$  background subtraction



$\Rightarrow$  difference in  $\omega$  - line shape for proton and nuclear target confirmed;  
no upward mass shift of  $\omega$  meson!

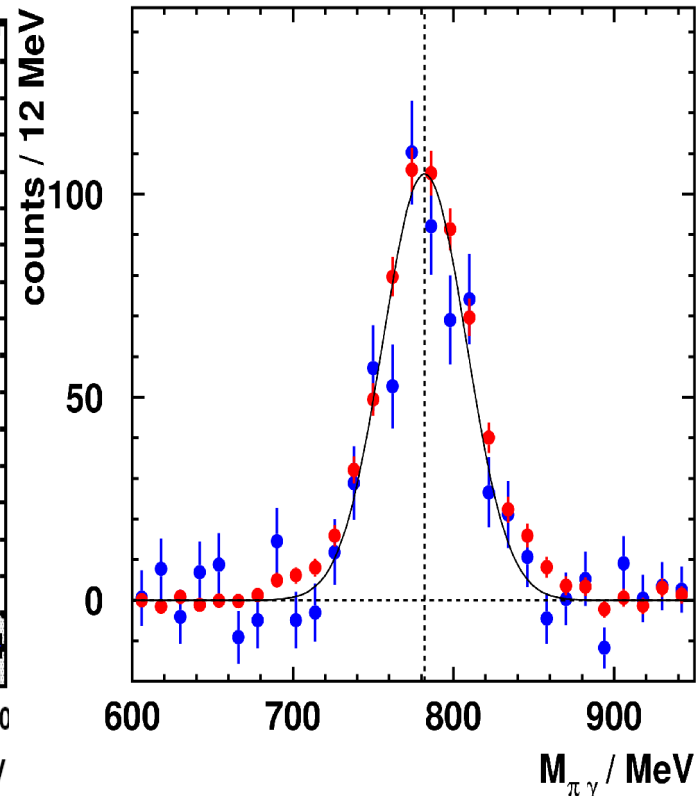
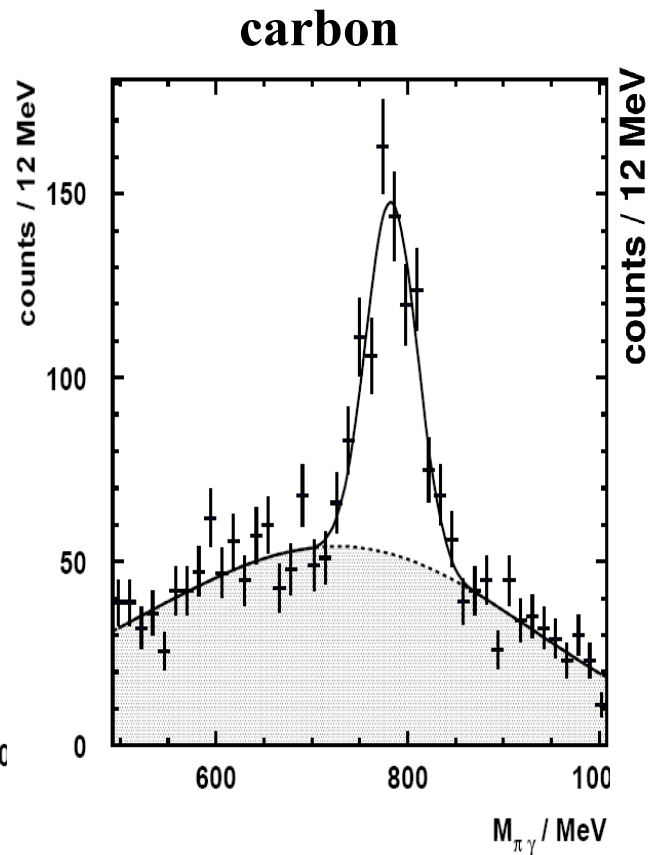
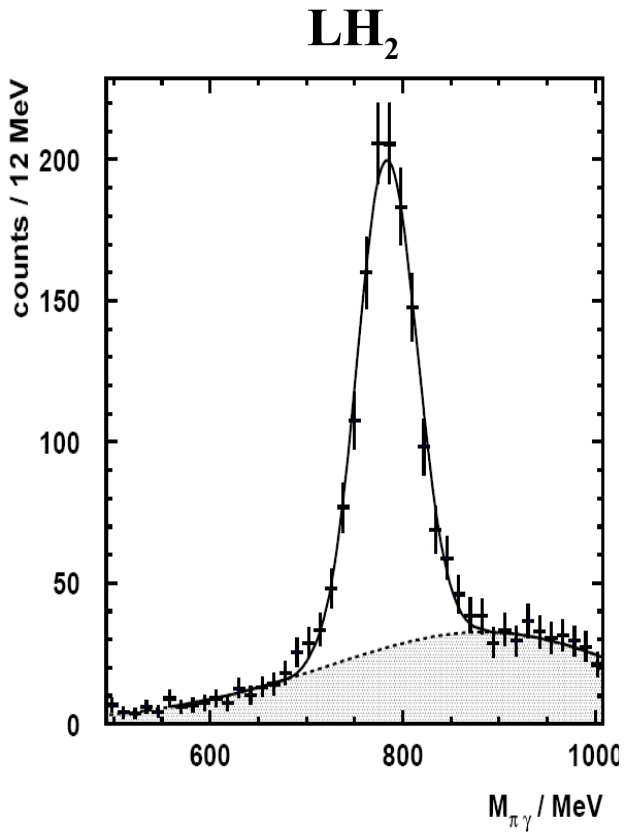
$\Rightarrow$  additional structure at  $\approx 600 \text{ MeV}$ !! (also seen for heavier targets)  
fragmentation of  $\omega$  strength or background ??? under investigation

# $\omega$ signal for high momenta

D. Trnka

$$700 \text{ MeV}/c < p_\omega < 1400 \text{ MeV}/c$$

after background  
subtraction



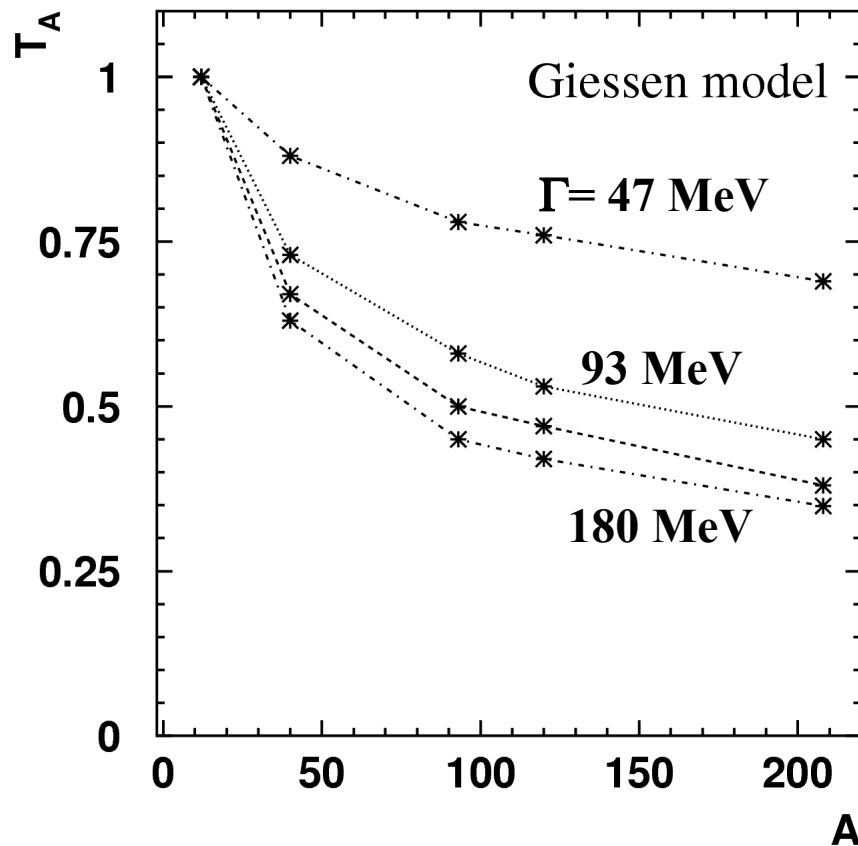
second structure at around 600 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> has disappeared for high momentum  $\omega$  mesons (mainly decaying outside nucleus)

# access to in-medium $\omega$ width

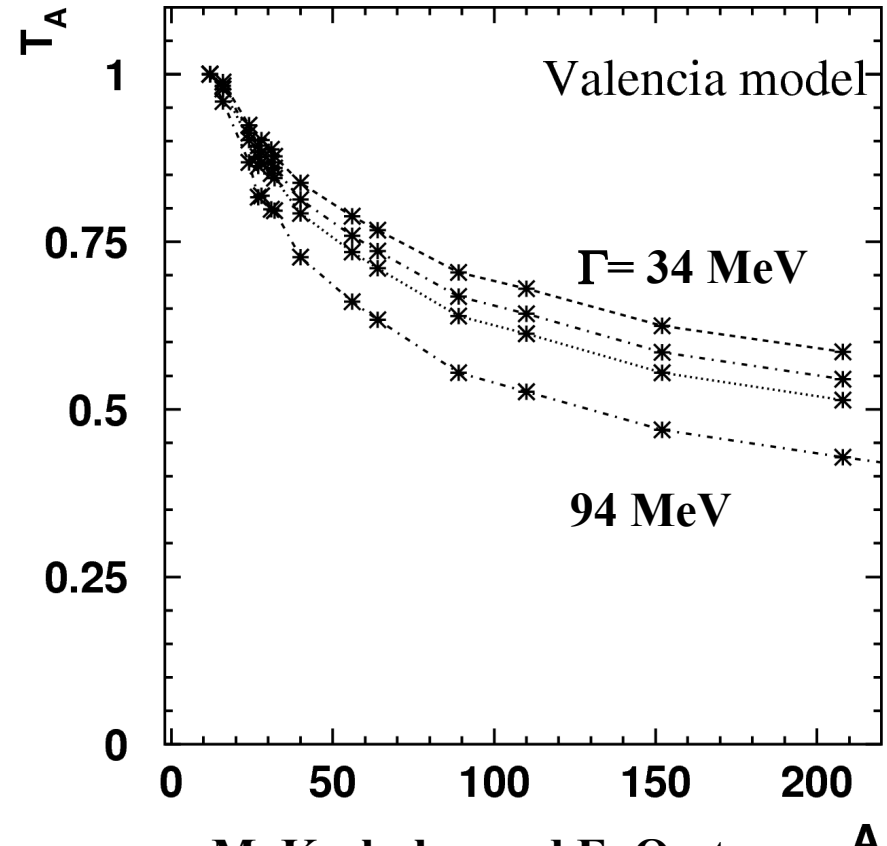
in-medium  $\omega$  width proportional to  $\omega$  absorption:  $\Gamma(\rho, |\vec{p}_\omega|) \propto \rho v \sigma_{\text{abs}}$

transparency ratio: 
$$T_A = \frac{\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow \omega X}}{A \cdot \sigma_{\gamma N \rightarrow \omega X}}$$

normalization to C!!



P. Mühlich and U. Mosel  
NPA (2006)

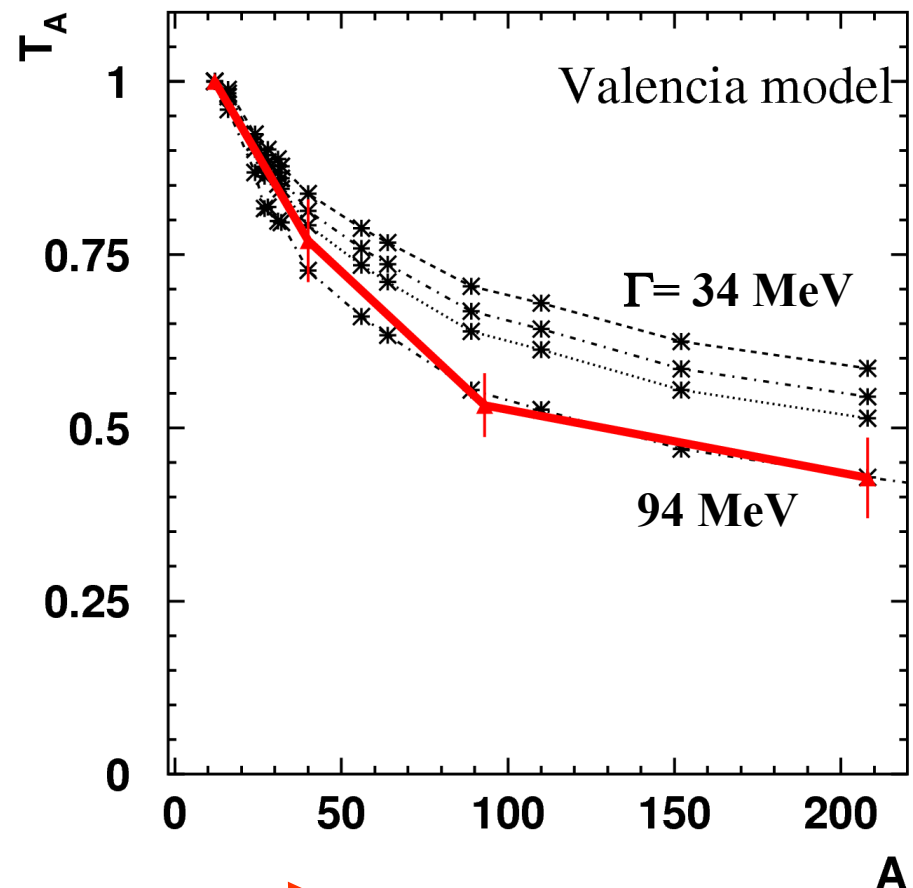
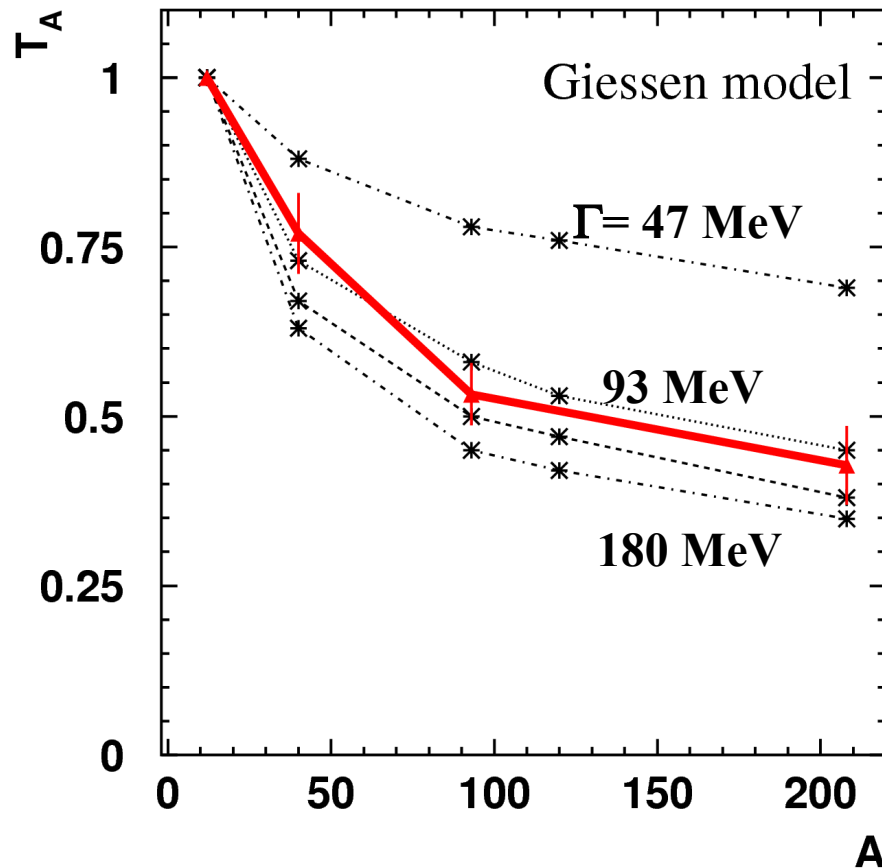


M. Kaskulov and E. Oset  
priv. communication

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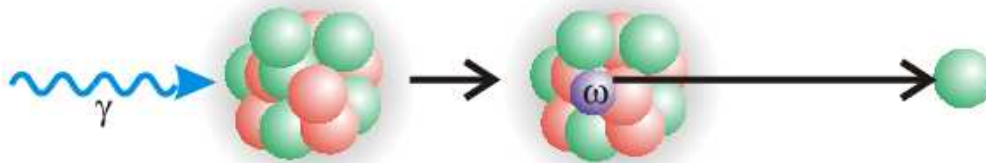
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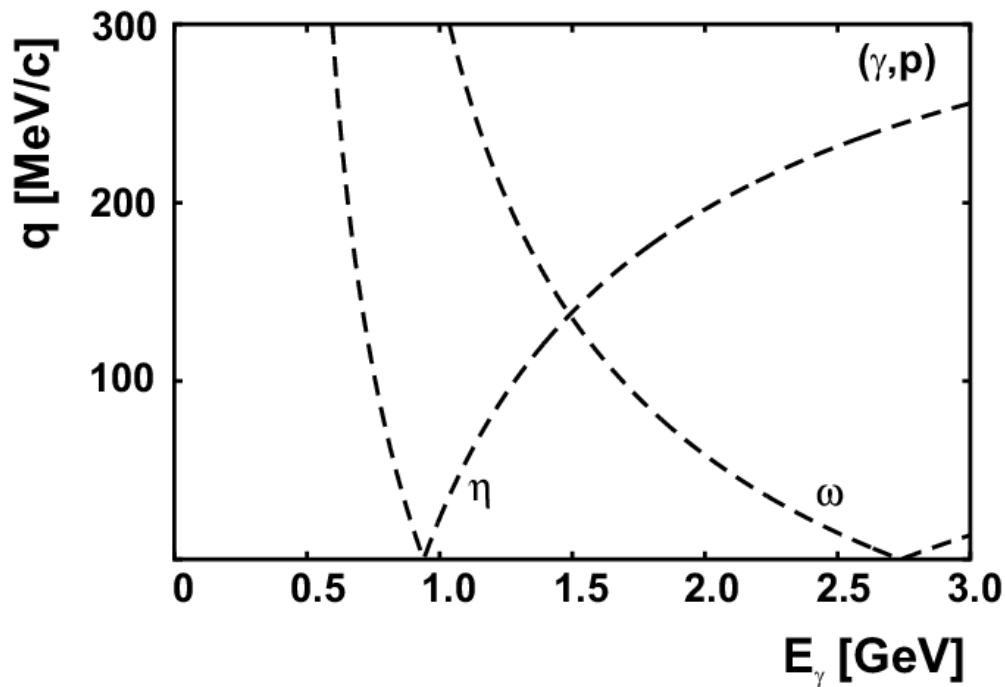
comparison to data (D.Trnka et al.(prelim.))  $\Gamma(\rho_0, \langle |\vec{p}_\omega| \rangle \approx 750 \text{ MeV/c}) \approx 95 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\omega$  gets broadened in the medium by a factor 10!!

# The population of meson-nucleus bound states in recoil-free kinematics

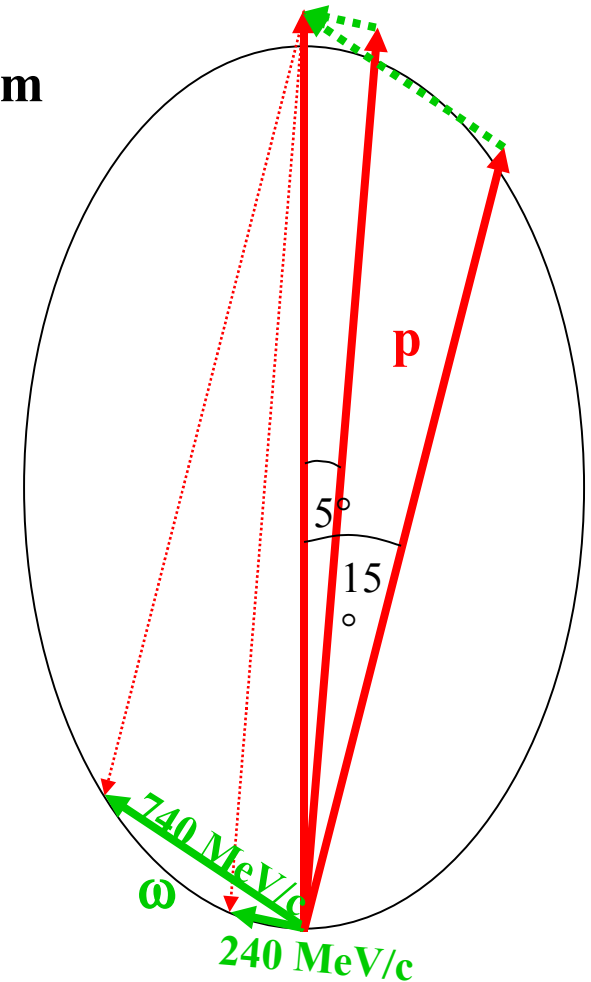


$$E_\gamma = 2750 \text{ MeV}$$

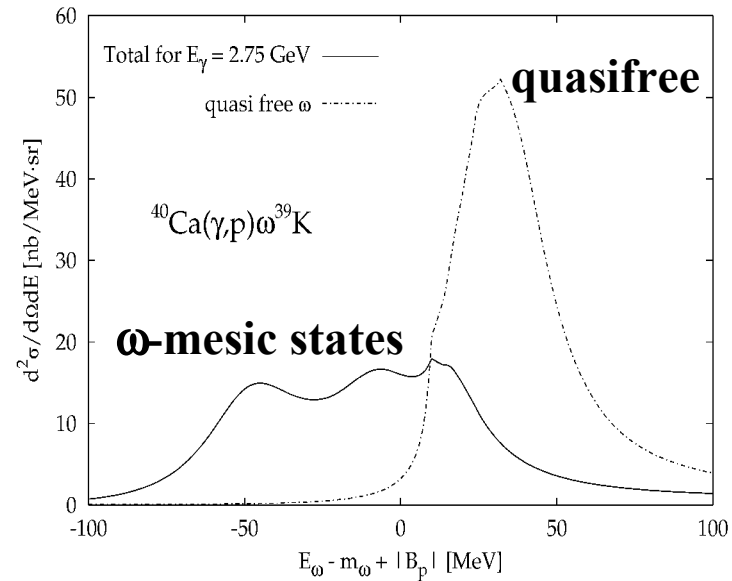
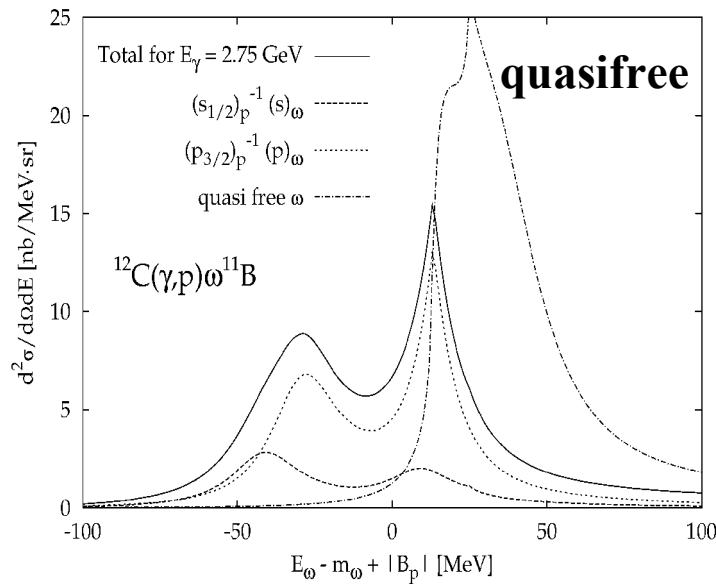
forward going nucleon takes over photon momentum



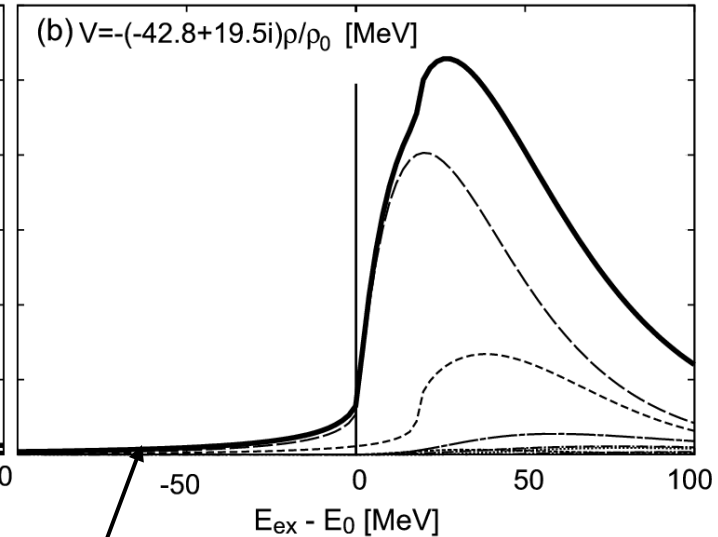
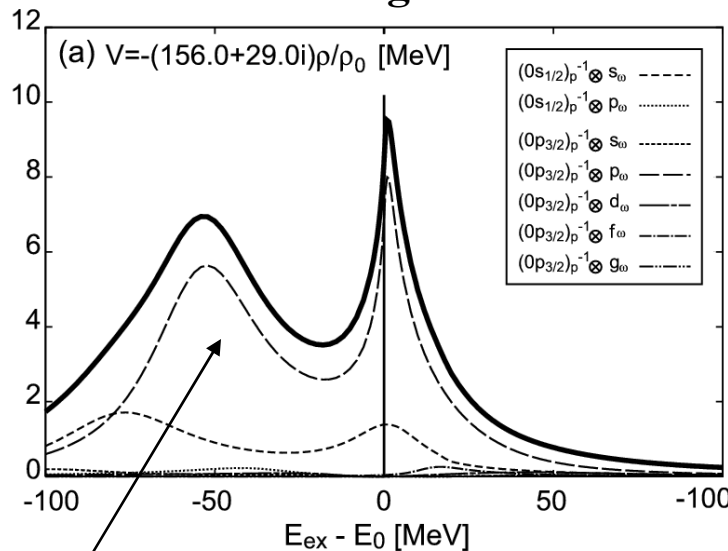
magic incident energies  $\eta$ :  $E_\gamma \approx 930 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\omega$ :  $E_\gamma \approx 2750 \text{ MeV}$



# **E. Marco and W. Weise, PLB 502 (2001) 59**



# **T. Nagahiro et al. N. Phys. A 761 (2005) 92**



**signature for  $\omega$ -mesic states**

**no intensity for negative energies**

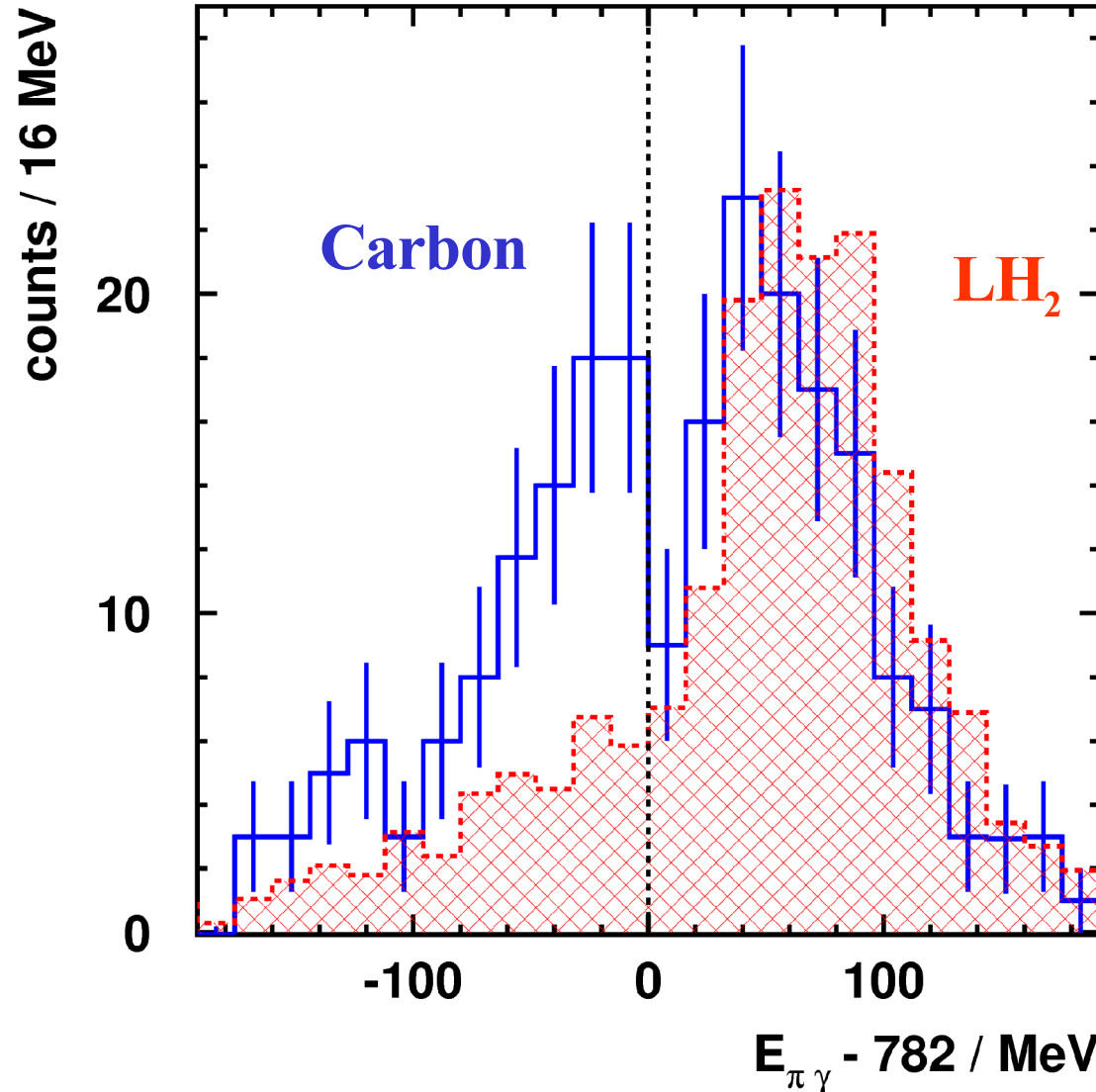


# comparison of carbon and LH<sub>2</sub> data

D. Trnka

$1500 \text{ MeV} < E_\gamma < 2200 \text{ MeV}$ :  $|\vec{p}_\omega| < 400 \text{ MeV}/c$

small proton angles:  $6^\circ < \Theta_p < 10^\circ$

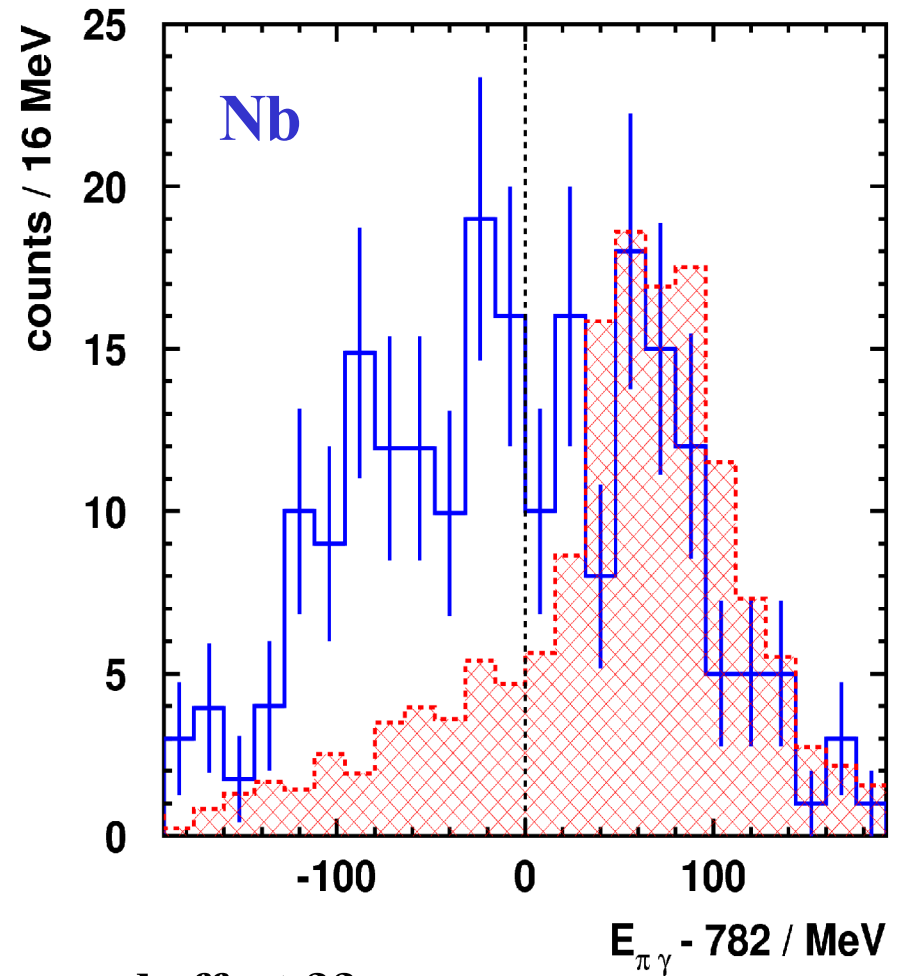
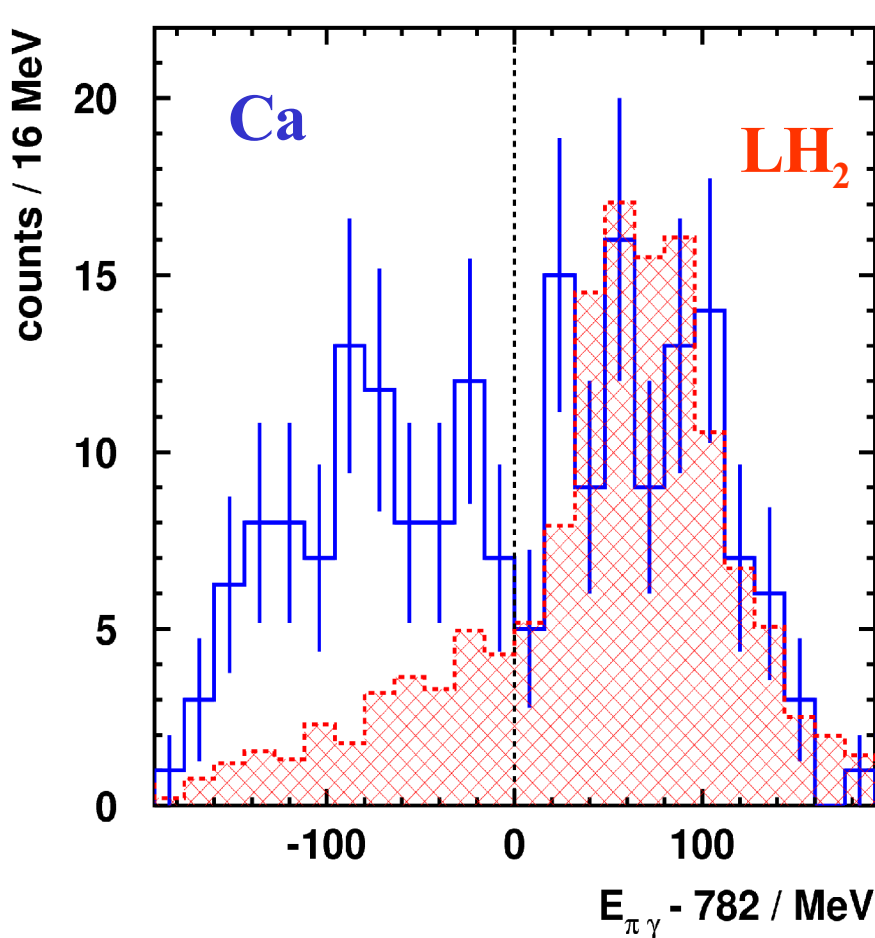


normalisation on  
quasi-elastic peak

excess yield relative  
to LH<sub>2</sub> reference  
spectrum for  
negative energies  
(bound state regime)

evidence for  $^{11}\text{B}$  ??

## evidence for $\omega$ -mesic states also in Ca and Nb??

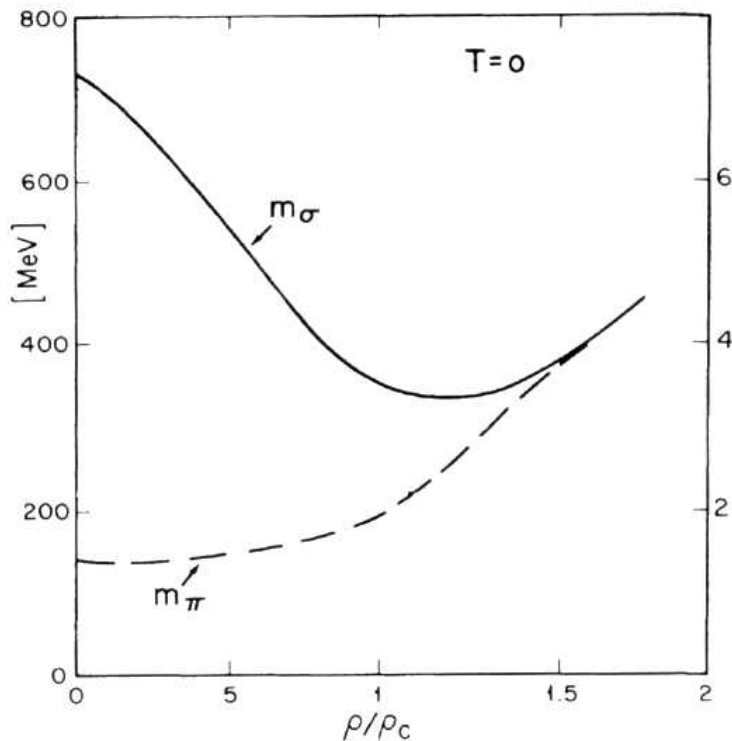


not understood background effect ??

improved experiment with Cerenkov detector for  $\pi/p$  discrimination  
in preparation: K. Makonyi, T. Kuske

# Partial chiral symmetry restoration in the nuclear medium

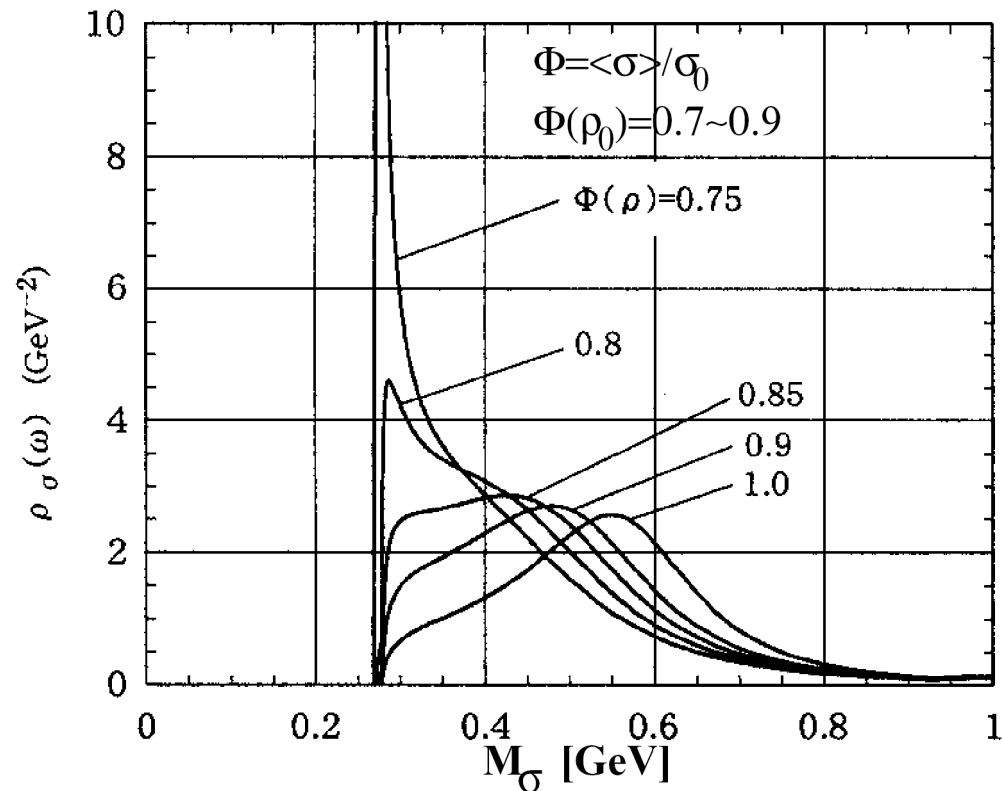
V. Bernard et al. PRL 59 (1987) 966



masses of chiral partners become degenerate in the chiral limit

$$m_\sigma = m_{\sigma 0} \left( 1 - \alpha \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$$

$\sigma \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0, \pi^+\pi^-$

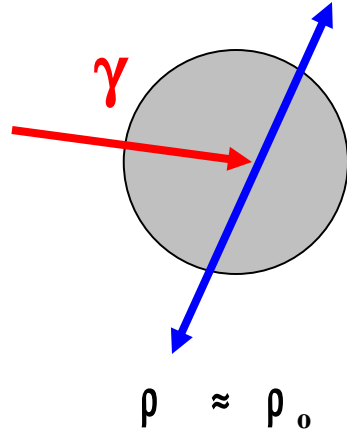


P. Schuck et al., nucl-th/0002031

T. Hatsuda et al., PRL 82 (1999) 2840

R. Rapp et al., PRC 59 (1999) 1237

Outgoing pions should experience as little as possible final state interaction

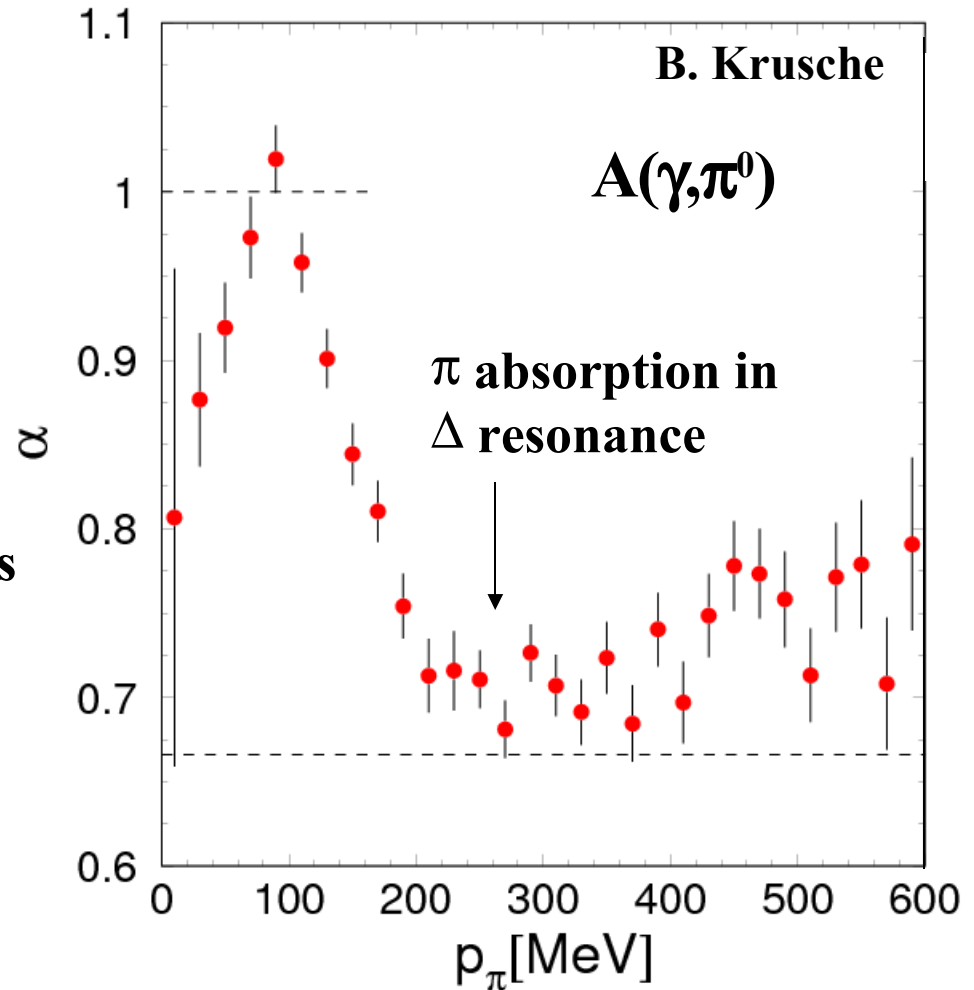


$\alpha = 1 \Leftrightarrow$  nuclei transparent to pions

pions have relatively long mean free path for momentum range  $\approx 50 - 150$  MeV/c, i.e. for  $T_\pi \approx 10 - 70$  MeV

## Pionabsorption

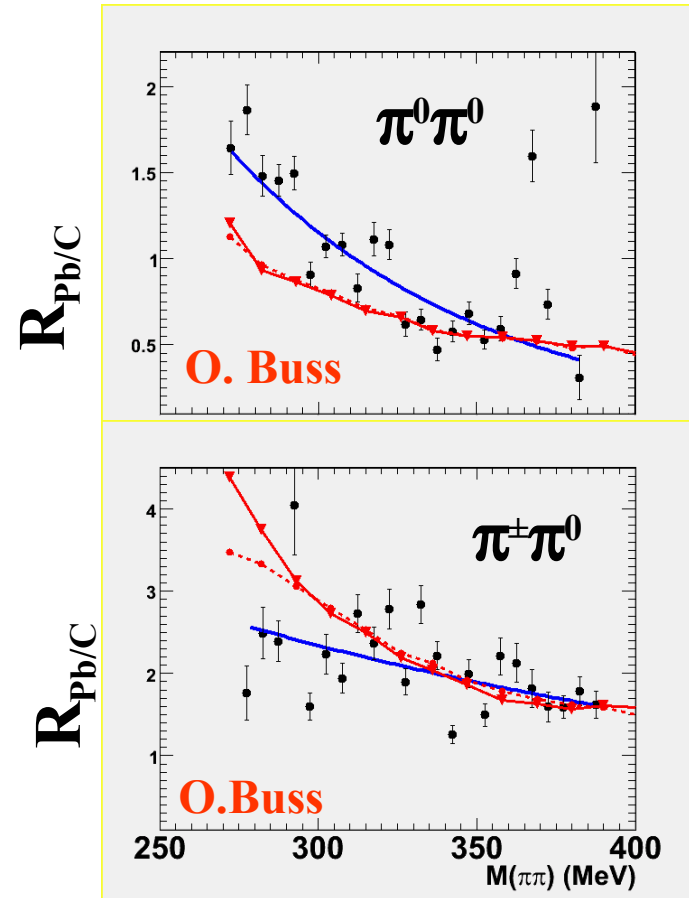
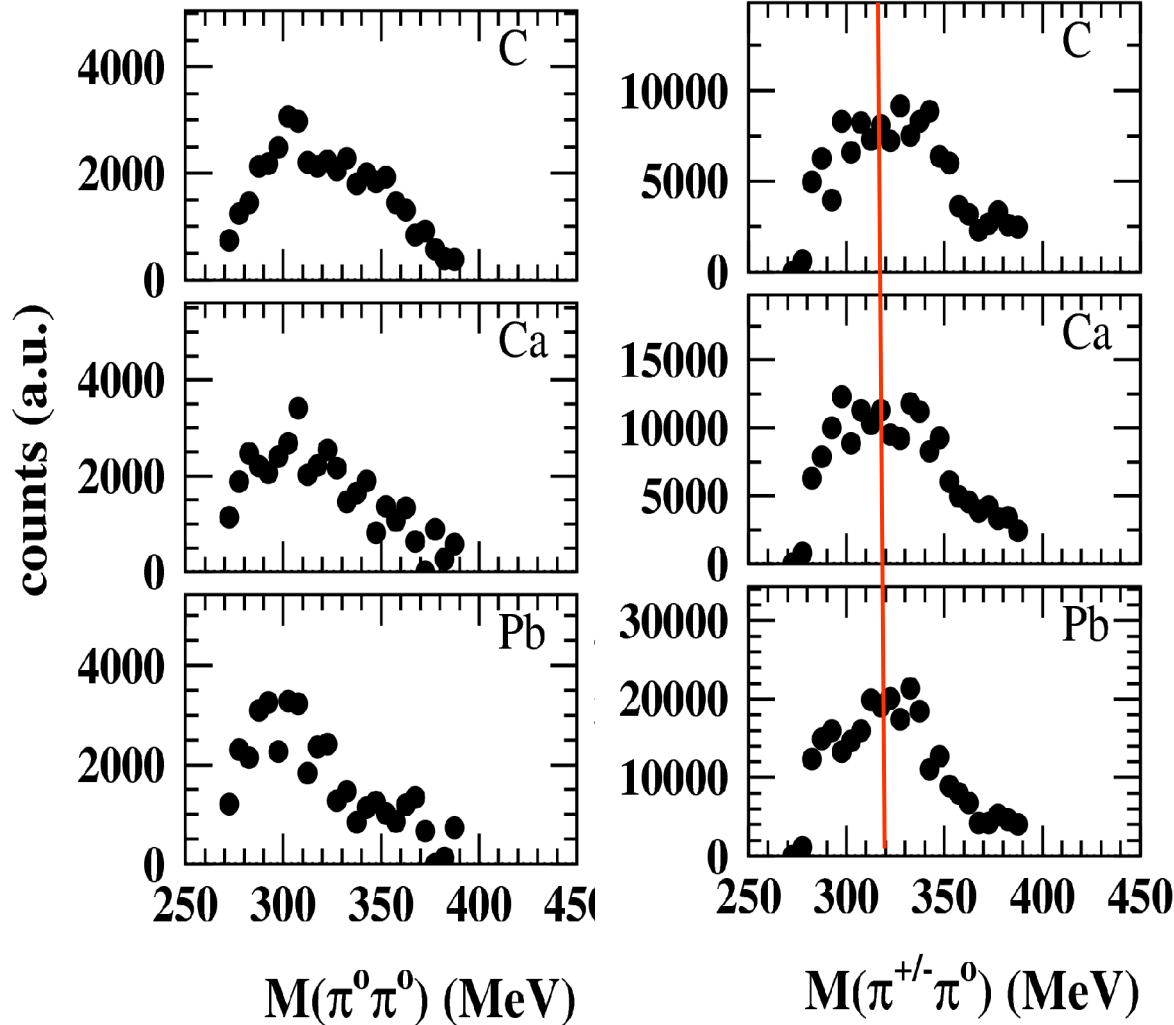
$$\sigma_\pi = \sigma_p \cdot A^\alpha(p_\pi)$$



$E_\gamma = 400 - 460$   
MeV  
 $\pi^0\pi^0$

**A ( $\gamma, \pi\pi$ )**

$$R_{\text{Pb/C}} = \frac{12 \frac{d\sigma}{dM}(\text{Pb})}{208 \frac{d\sigma}{dM}(\text{C})}$$



**no quantitative agreement  
with BUU calculations**

sizable mass shift with increasing A only observed for  $\pi^0\pi^0$  channel,  
confirming J. Messchendorp et al., PRL 89 (2002) 222302

## summary

- in-medium properties of the  $\omega$  meson:

- evidence for dropping  $\omega$  mass in the nuclear medium:

$$m_{\omega} = m_0(1 - 0.13\rho / \rho_0)$$

- possible evidence for fragmentation of  $\omega$  strength?
- in-medium  $\omega$  width  $\Gamma(\rho=\rho_0, \langle |p_{\omega}| \rangle \approx 750 \text{ MeV/c}) \approx 95 \text{ MeV}$   
→ in-medium broadening by factor 10!
- evidence for  $\omega$  mesic nuclei?  
ongoing studies; improved experiment in preparation

- in-medium  $\pi\pi$  correlations

- sizeable concentration of  $\pi^0 \pi^0$  strength near  $2\pi$  threshold with increasing nuclear mass number  $A$  observed, as theoretically predicted;  
similar shift not observed in  $\pi^{\pm} \pi^0$  channel;  
detailed comparison with BUU-simulations (O. Buss, Giessen) ongoing

## A3, B4 future prospects (next application period)

depending on successor!!!

- magnetic moments of baryon resonances:  
remeasurement of  $\mu$  ( $\Delta^+$ ) using circular polarisation (P=70%)  
measurement of the magnetic moment of the  $S_{11}(1535)$  resonance  
via  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \eta \gamma'$ , exploiting linear polarization (ELSA)
- 2- $\pi$  production on nuclei:  
no further experiments planned
- measurement of  $\omega$  spectral function in nuclei:  
further experiments likely (other nuclei, finer  $\omega$ - momentum bins  
→ momentum dependence of  $\omega$ -nucleus potential),  
depending on outcome of approved experiment (MAMIC)
- search for  $\omega$ -mesic nuclei:  
further experiments likely (other nuclei; better  $\pi/p$ -discrimination with  
Cerenkov-detector), depending on outcome of approved experiment (ELSA)





## **Teilprojekte A3 und B4**

**Personnel: (3.5 BATIIa positions)**

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**PhD-students: S. Lugert (B4),, M. Thiel (A3);**

**A1: K. Makonyi**

**from 1.1-30.6.2007: R. Gregor,**

**from 1.9.07 F. Hjelm)**

**from 1.8.07 H. Berghäuser**

**Sachmittel: 140 k€ for new BaF<sub>2</sub> and veto-electronics**

**30 k€: funds for electronics for 30 additional BaF<sub>2</sub> detectors**

## Summary and outlook

- An in-medium dropping of the  $\omega$  meson mass has been observed

consistent with  $m_{\omega}(\rho) = m_0 \left( 1 - 0.14 \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$

**major step forward towards understanding the origin of hadron masses**

- first information on in-medium  $\omega$  width:

$$\Gamma_{\omega} \approx 95 \text{ MeV at } \rho = \rho_0 \text{ and } \langle |\vec{p}_{\omega}| \rangle \approx 750 \text{ MeV/c}$$

- first indication for the existence of  $\omega$  mesic  $^{11}\text{B}$

- remaining open questions

$\Rightarrow$  momentum dependence of  $\omega$ -nucleus potential?

$\Rightarrow$  structure in  $\omega$  strength function?

$\Rightarrow$  confirm existence of  $\omega$  mesic states in heavier nuclei

**$\Rightarrow$  higher statistics needed !!**

**$\Rightarrow$  improved experiments planned at MAMI and ELSA**

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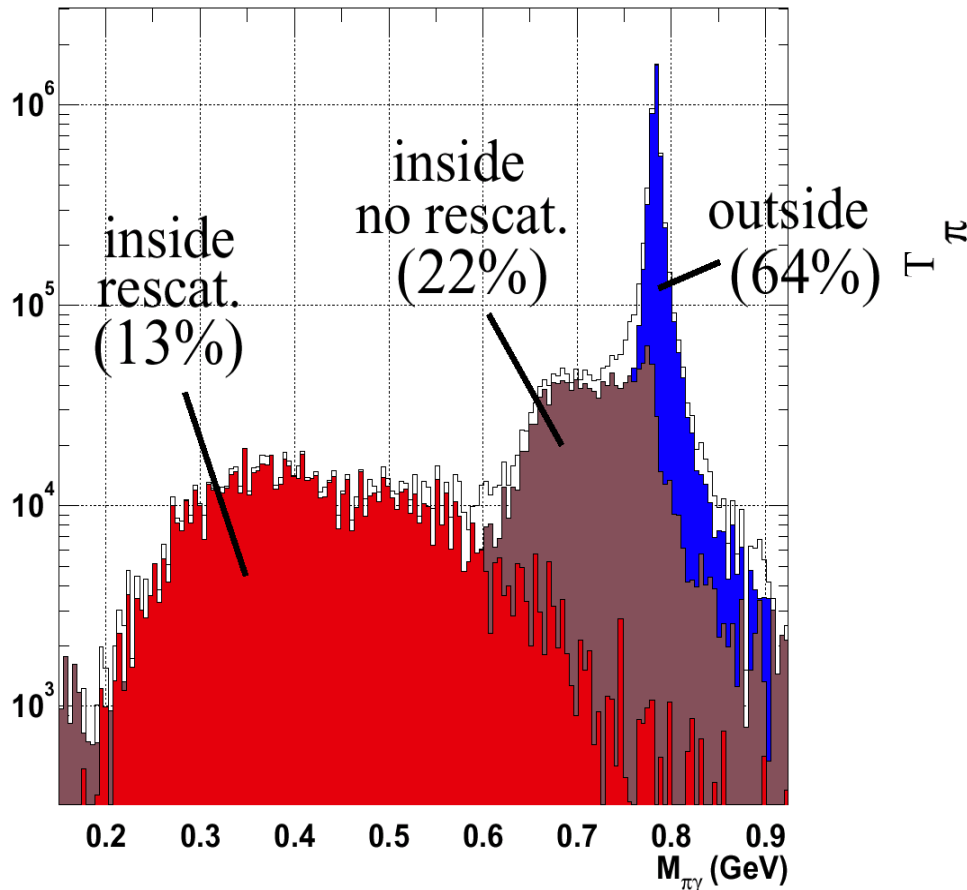
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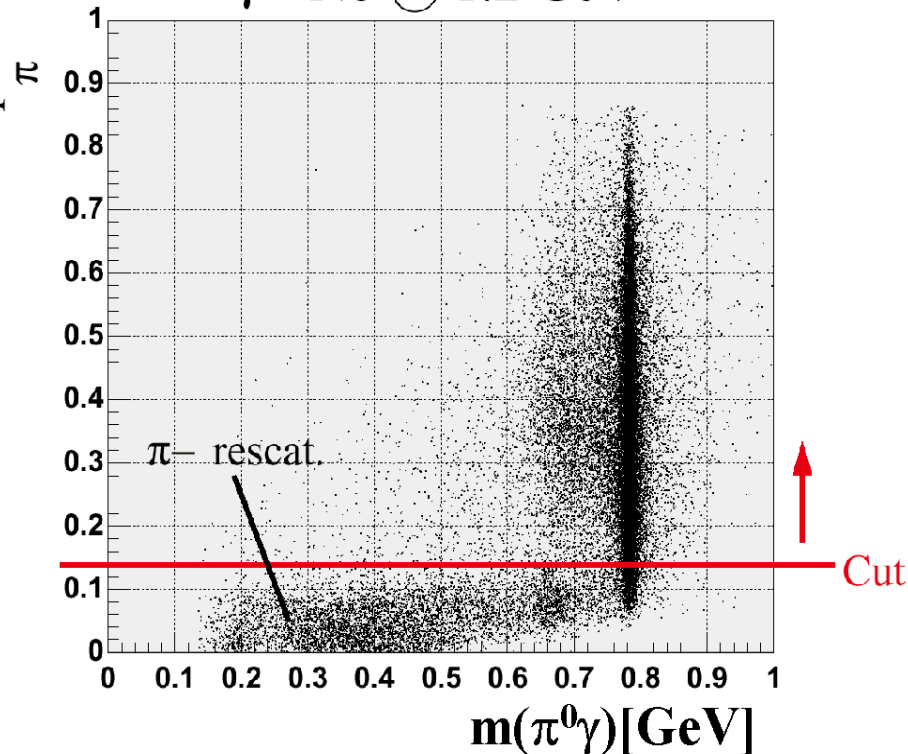
# Expected $\omega$ in-medium signal

$\gamma + \text{Nb}$  @ 1.2 GeV



rescattering of pions in nuclei  
predominantly proceeds through  
 $\Delta(1232)$  excitation:  
scattered pions have  $E_{\text{kin}} \leq 150$  MeV

$\gamma + \text{Nb}$  @ 1.2 GeV

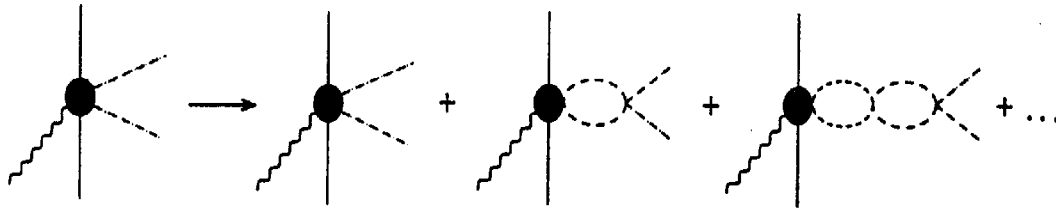


no distortion by pion rescattering expected in mass range of interest

# $\pi\pi$ interaction in the chiral unitary model

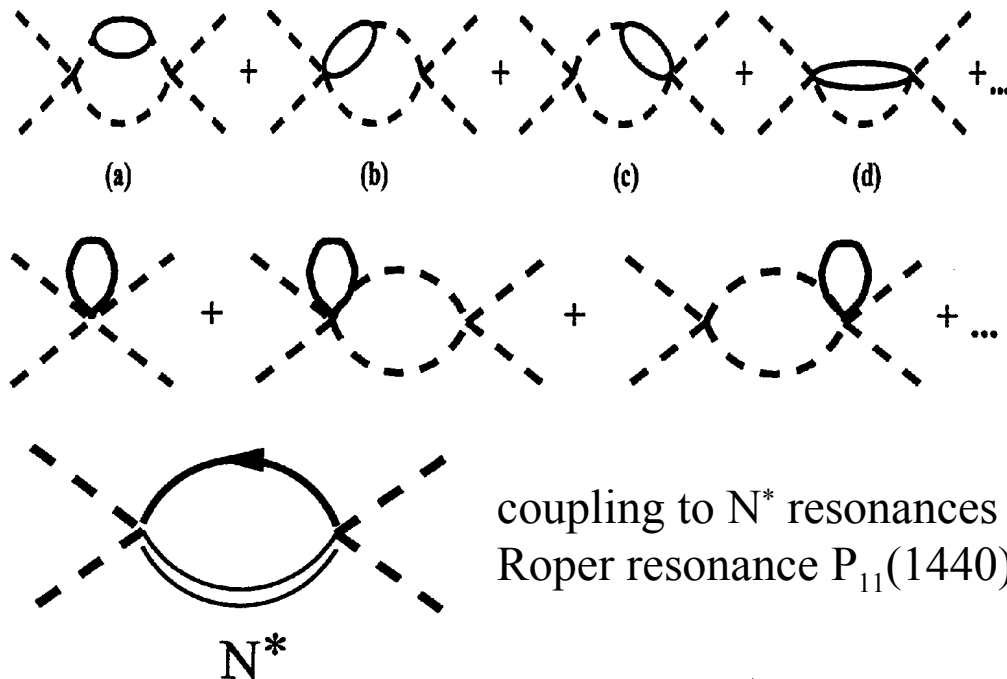
M.J. Vicente Vacas and E. Oset et al., nucl-th/0204055

## $\pi\pi$ - interaction in vacuum:

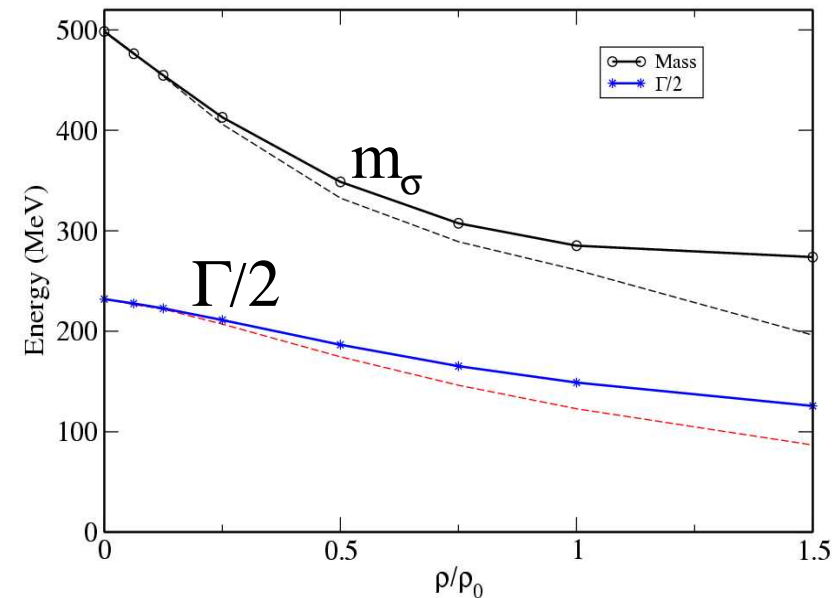


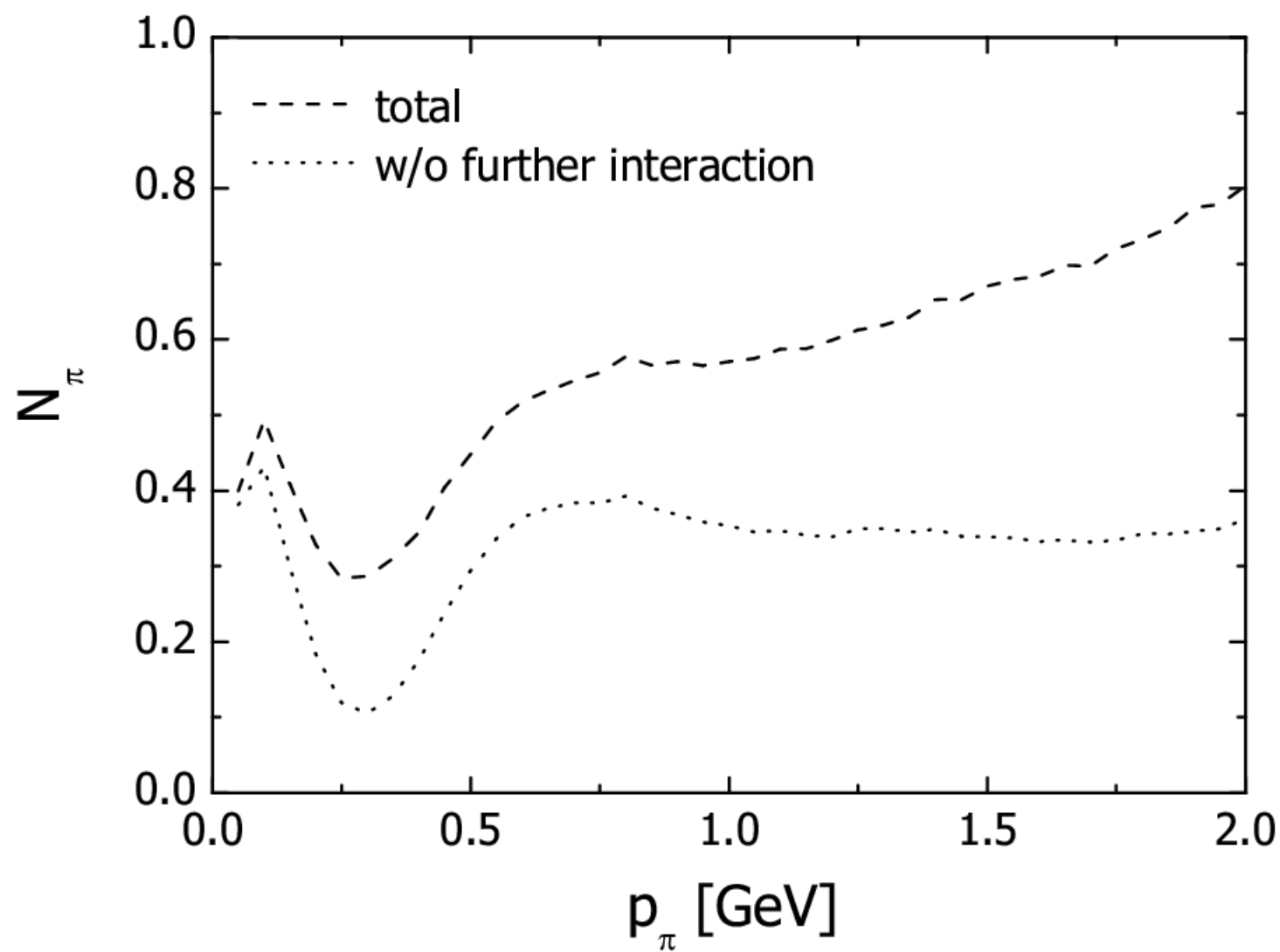
$\sigma$  = resonance in  $\pi\pi$  interaction

## $\pi\pi$ - interaction in the nuclear medium:



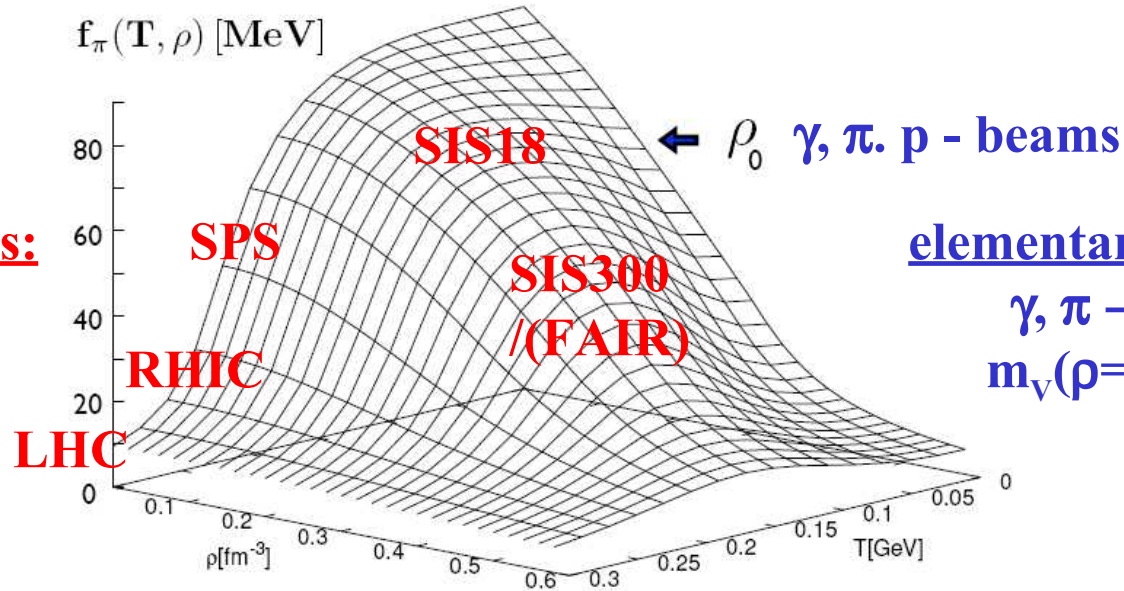
drop of  $\sigma$  mass and width with increasing nuclear density  $\rho$





# chiral condensate as function of baryon density $\rho_B$ and temperature $T$

C. Ratti, M. Thaler, W. Weise, PRD73 (2006) 014019



heavy ion reactions:



$$m_V(\rho \gg \rho_0; T \gg 0)$$

elementary reaction:



$$m_V(\rho = \rho_0; T = 0)$$

$$\frac{f_\pi^2(T, \rho)}{f_\pi^2(0)} \simeq \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{T, \rho}}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_0} \simeq 1 - \frac{T^2}{8f_\pi^2} - \frac{\sigma_N}{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \rho + \dots$$

$\langle q\bar{q} \rangle$  is not an observable!!

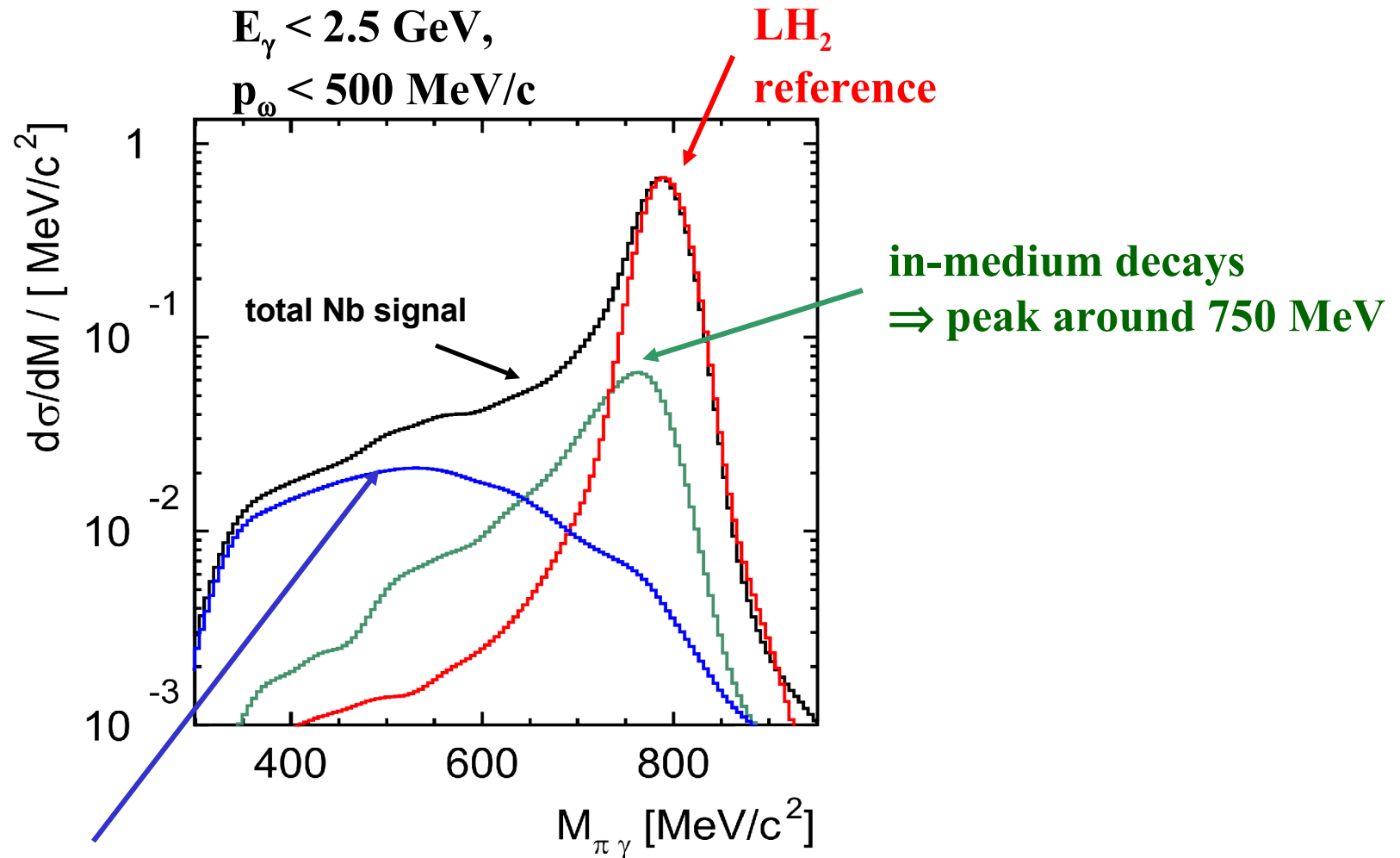
QCD sum rules: provide link between hadronic observables and condensates

$$\frac{Q^2}{24\pi^2} \int ds \frac{R(s)}{(s+Q^2)^2} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) + \frac{1}{Q^4} \left[ m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle + \frac{1}{24} \left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \right\rangle \right] + \text{higher order terms}$$

hadronic spectral function:  $R(s) \sim F^2 \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{s} \Gamma(s)}{(s - M_\rho^2)^2 + s(\Gamma(s))^2}$

# BUU calculation of $\gamma A \rightarrow \omega + X$

P. Mühlich (Gießen), priv. comm. (2005)





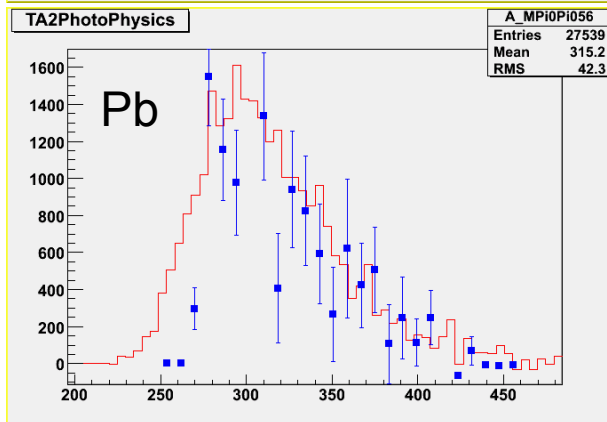
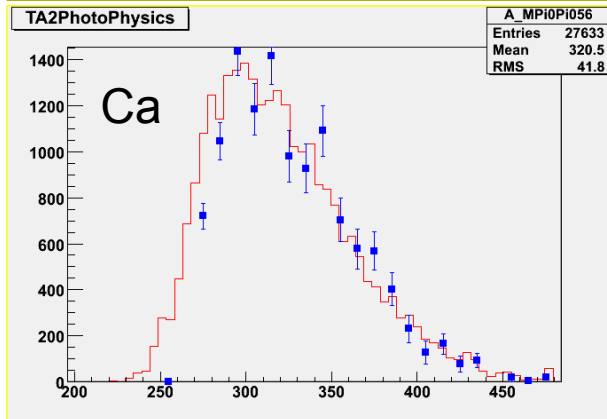
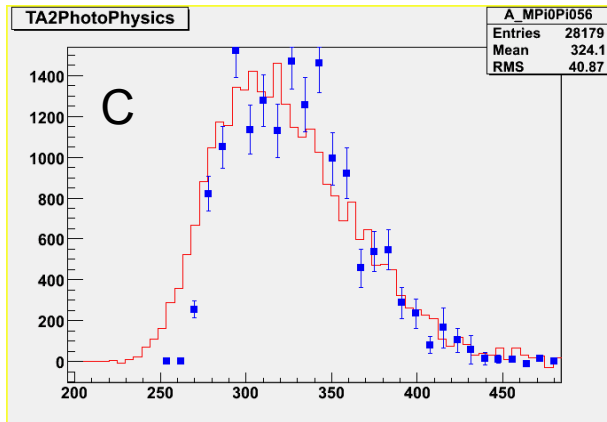
$$E_\gamma = 400\text{-}500 \text{ MeV}$$

**A ( $\gamma, \pi^0 \pi^0$ )**

red curve:  
CB/TAPS@MAMI 05

blue points:  
TAPS@MAMI 99/00

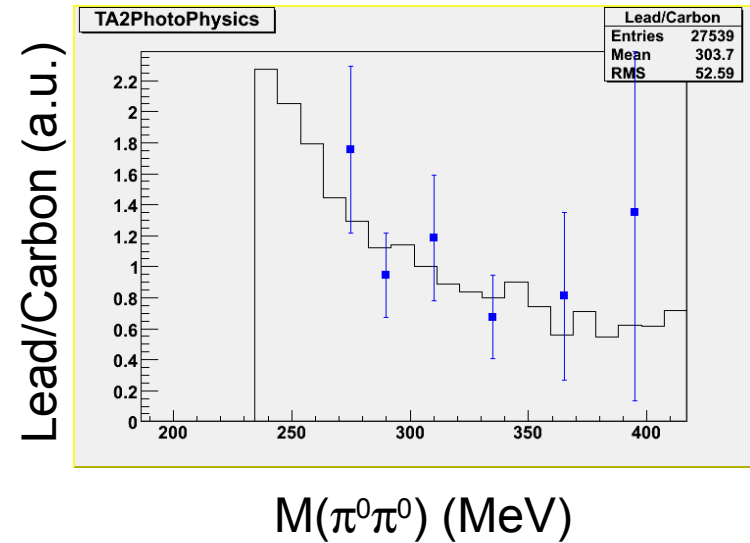
Counts (a.u.)



$M(\pi^0 \pi^0) \text{ (MeV)}$

Ralf Gregor  
Stefan Lugert

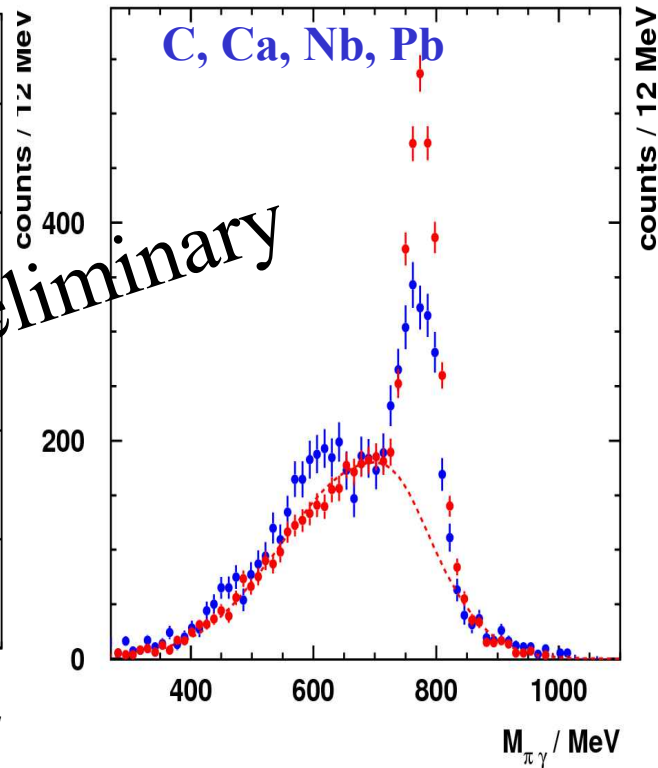
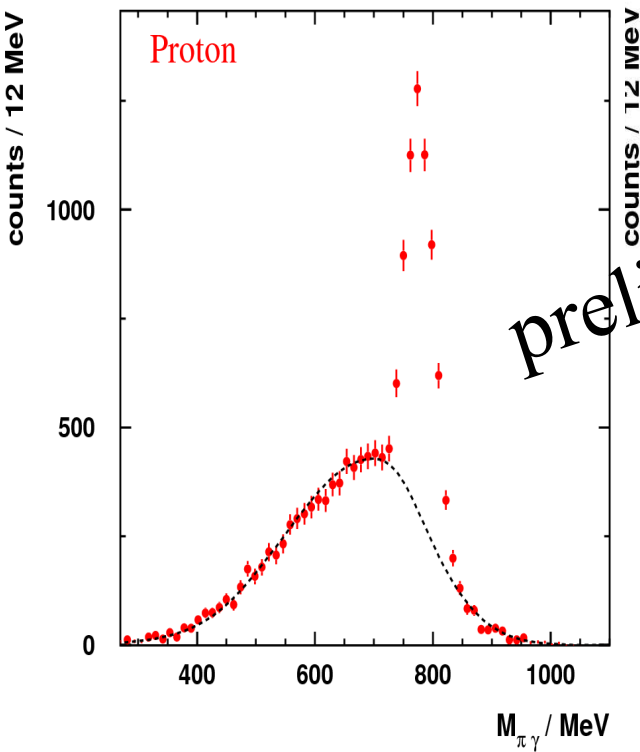
$$E_\gamma = 400\text{-}500 \text{ MeV}$$



<- Old statistic ~ 150 datapoints  
New statistic ~ 9000 datapoints  
->improvement by a factor of >60

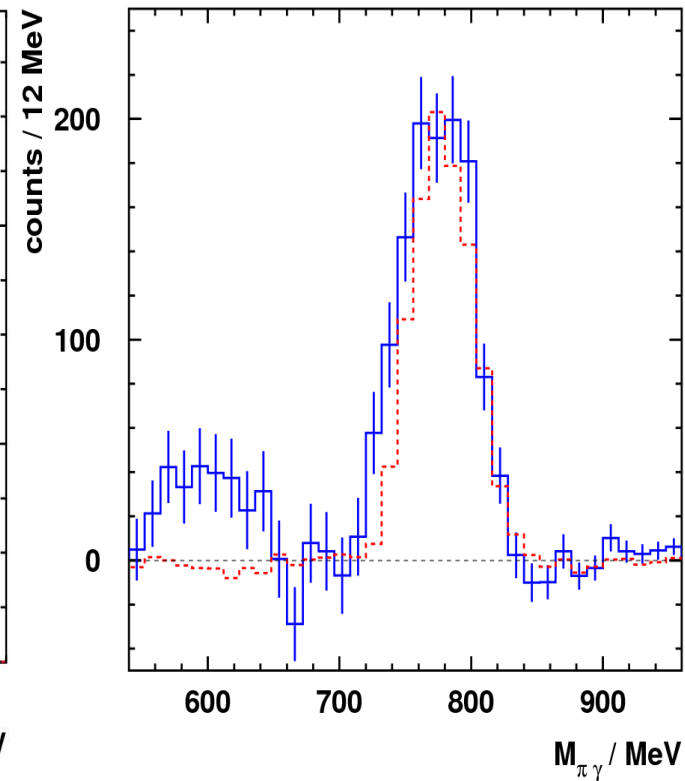
# refined analysis requiring recoil proton and p- $\omega$ coplanarity

**No background subtraction!!!**



preliminary

**after  $\text{LH}_2$  background subtraction**

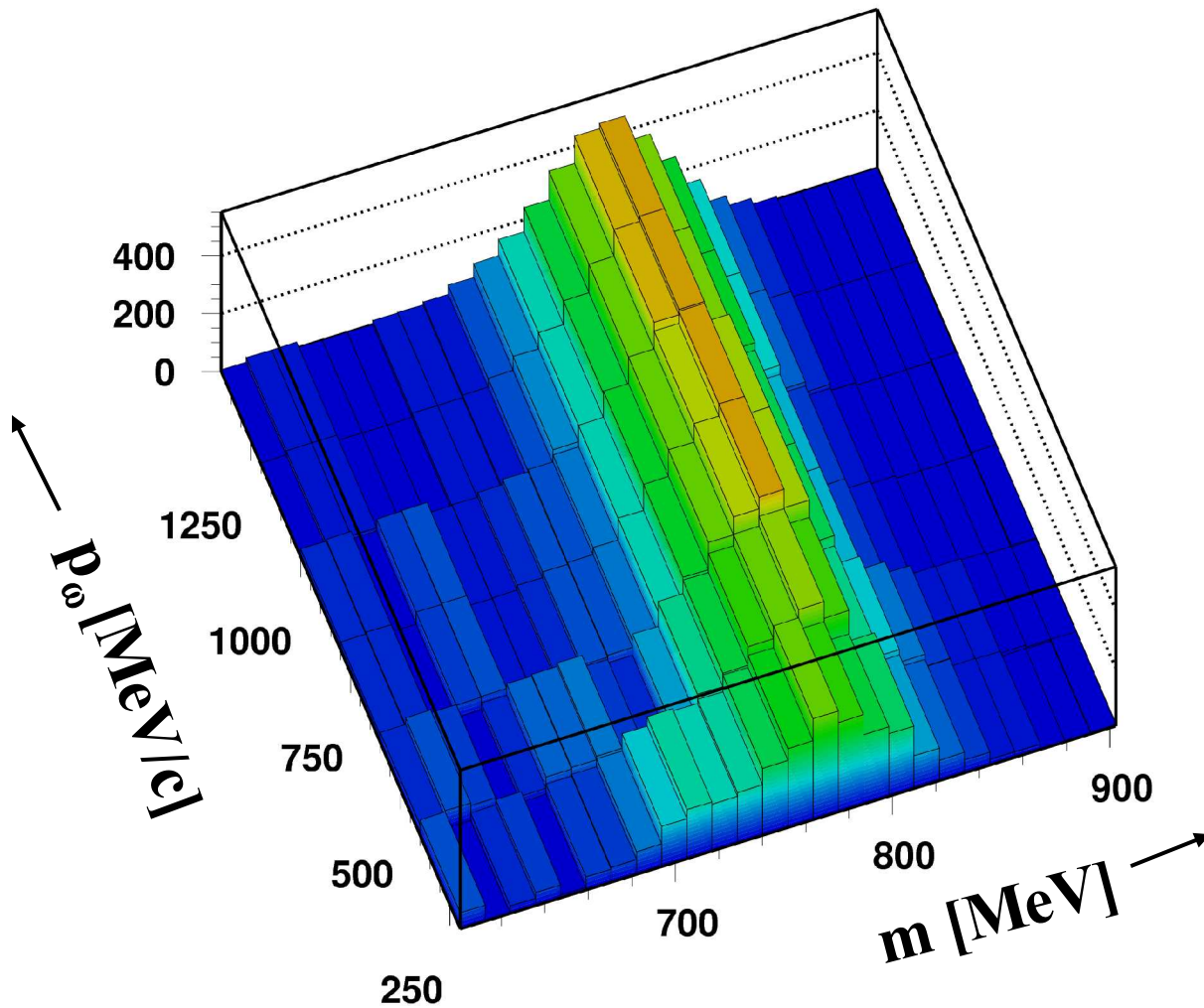


**additional structure at  $\approx 600$  MeV!!**

**fragmentation of  $\omega$  strength or background ???**

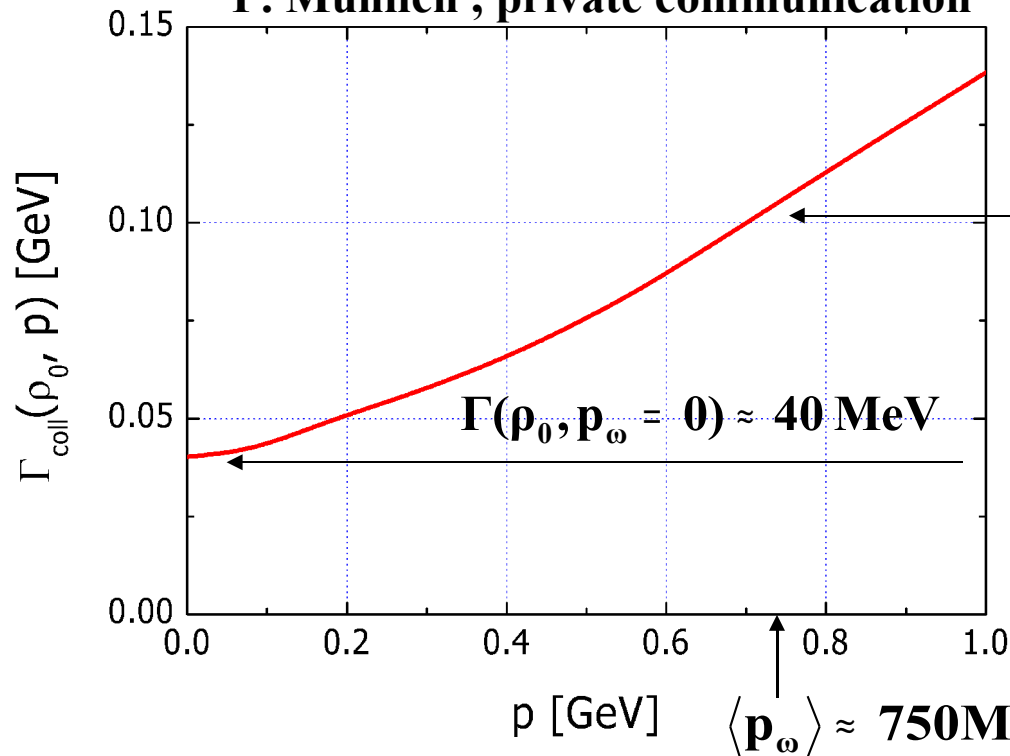


# In-medium spectral function of the $\omega$ -meson



# dependence of $\omega$ width on $\omega$ momentum

P. Mühlich, private communication



$$\Gamma(\rho_0, p_\omega = 750 \text{ MeV/c}) \approx 100 \text{ MeV}$$

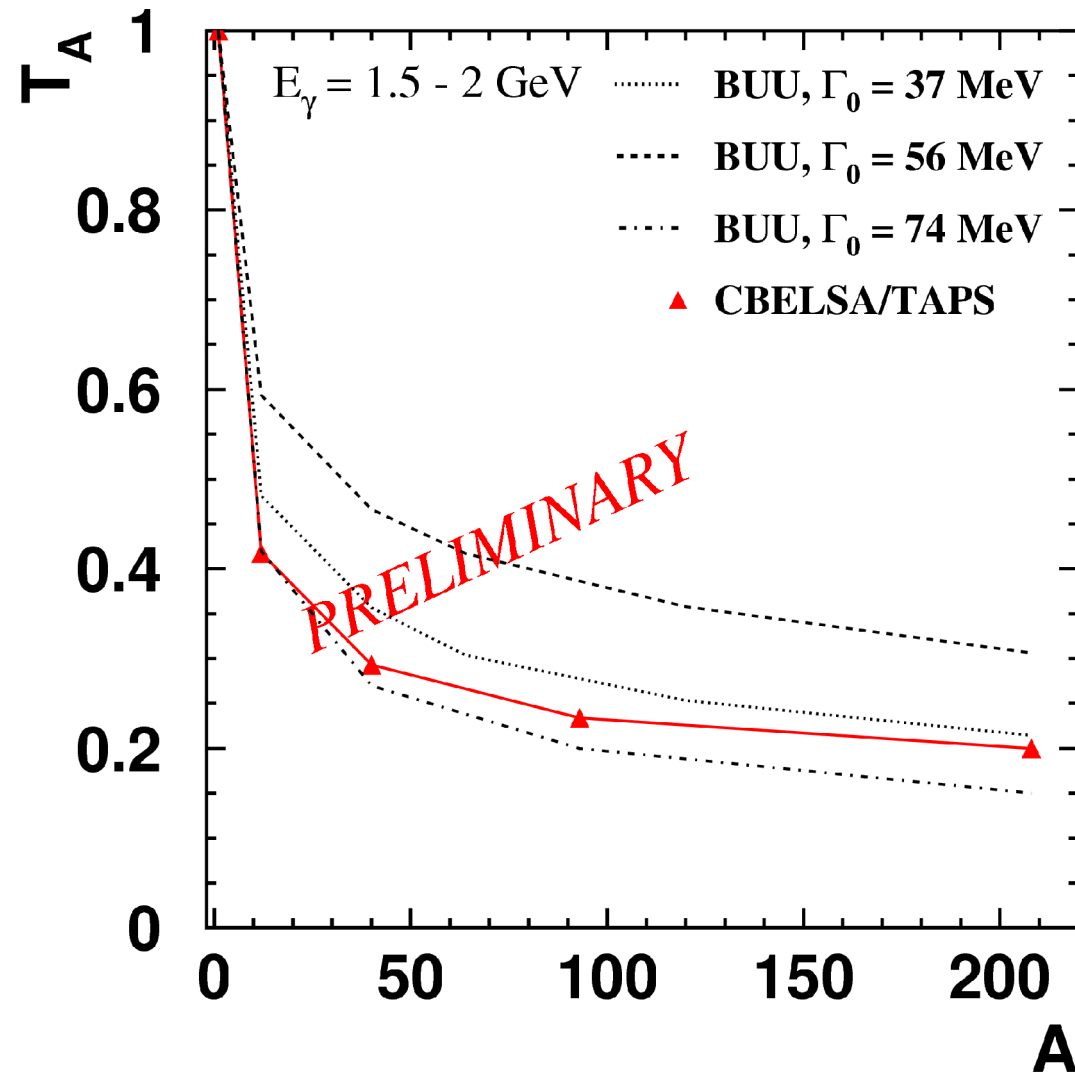
taking the momentum dependence of the  $\omega$  width into account, both analyses agree:

$$\Gamma(\rho_0, p_\omega = 750 \text{ MeV/c}) \approx 100 \text{ MeV}$$

- $\omega$  gets broadened in the medium by a factor 10!!
- transparency ratio measurement also possible for charmed mesons in the nuclear medium  $\Rightarrow \sigma_{\text{inel}}(p) \sim \Gamma(p)$ ; (J/ $\psi$ -suppression in AA collisions)
- experimental problem: luminosity  $L \sim A^{-2/3}$  (for Au factor 30 !!)
- $\bar{p}$  - loss due to single Coulomb scattering  $\sim Z^2$

## access to in-medium $\omega$ width

in-medium  $\omega$  width proportional to  $\omega$  absorption:  $\Gamma \propto \rho v \sigma_{\text{abs}}$



transparency ratio:

$$T_A = \frac{\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow \omega X}}{A \cdot \sigma_{\gamma N \rightarrow \omega X}}$$

data: D. Trnka  
(CBELSA/TAPS)

transport calculation:  
P. Mühlich (Giessen)

$\Gamma \approx 60 \text{ MeV at } \rho = \rho_0$

- need measurement on d for normalization
- need better statistics to separate coherent  $\omega$  production

## Prediction of $\omega$ mesic states

E. Marco and W. Weise, PLB 502 (2001) 59

| nucleus                  | n   | $(\varepsilon_{nl}, \Gamma_{nl})$ [MeV] |             |             |
|--------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          |     | $l = 0$                                 | $l = 1$     | $l = 2$     |
| ${}^6_\omega\text{He}$   | (1) | $(-49, 36)$                             | $(-18, 33)$ | —           |
| ${}^{11}_\omega\text{B}$ | (1) | $(-66, 41)$                             | $(-40, 39)$ | $(-13, 37)$ |
|                          | (2) | $(-14, 34)$                             | —           | —           |
| ${}^{39}_\omega\text{K}$ | (1) | $(-88, 44)$                             | $(-73, 45)$ | $(-57, 45)$ |
|                          | (2) | $(-54, 45)$                             | $(-36, 44)$ | $(-17, 44)$ |
|                          | (3) | $(-16, 41)$                             | —           | —           |

# Prediction of $\omega$ mesic states in QMC and QHD models

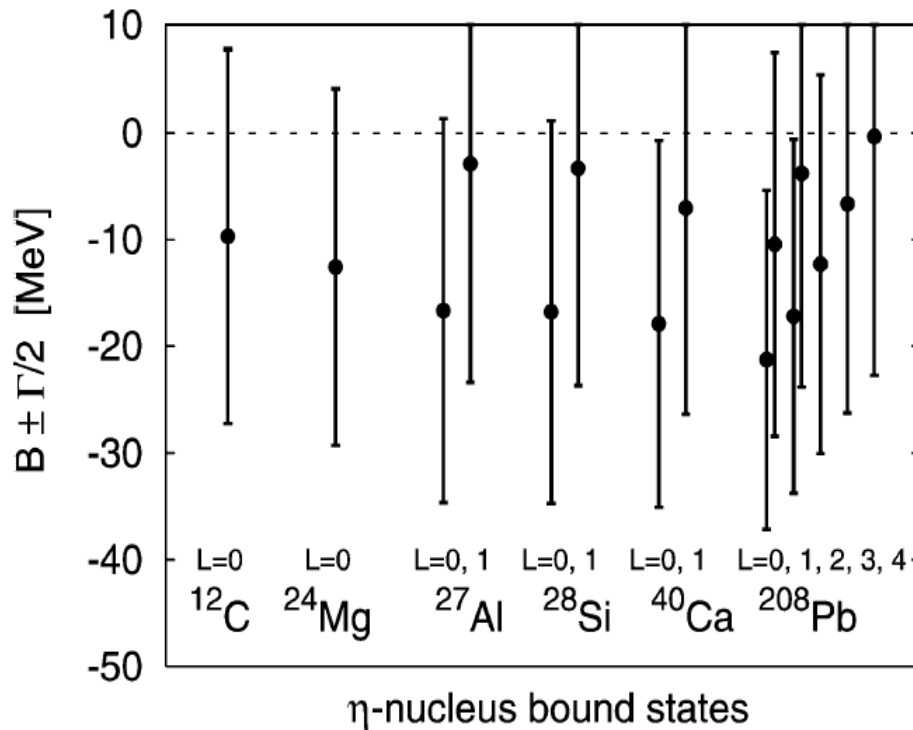
K. Saito, K. Tsushima, A.W. Thomas, hep-ph/0506314

|                     |    | $\Gamma_\eta^0 = 0$<br>$\gamma_\eta = 0.5$ (QMC) |               | $\Gamma_{\eta'}^0 = 0$<br>(QMC) | $\Gamma_\omega^0 = 8.43$ (MeV)<br>$\gamma_\omega = 0.2$ (QMC) |                 | $\Gamma_\omega^0 = 8.43$ (MeV)<br>$\gamma_\omega = 0.2$ (QHD) |                 |
|---------------------|----|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                     |    | $E_\eta$                                         | $\Gamma_\eta$ | $E_{\eta'}$                     | $E_\omega$                                                    | $\Gamma_\omega$ | $E_\omega$                                                    | $\Gamma_\omega$ |
| $^6_j\text{He}$     | 1s | -10.7                                            | 14.5          | *                               | -55.6                                                         | 24.7            | -97.4                                                         | 33.5            |
| $^{11}_j\text{B}$   | 1s | -24.5                                            | 22.8          | *                               | -80.8                                                         | 28.8            | -129                                                          | 38.5            |
| $^{26}_j\text{Mg}$  | 1s | -38.8                                            | 28.5          | *                               | -99.7                                                         | 31.1            | -144                                                          | 39.8            |
|                     | 1p | -17.8                                            | 23.1          | *                               | -78.5                                                         | 29.4            | -121                                                          | 37.8            |
|                     | 2s | —                                                | —             | *                               | -42.8                                                         | 24.8            | -80.7                                                         | 33.2            |
| $^{16}_j\text{O}$   | 1s | -32.6                                            | 26.7          | -41.3                           | -93.4                                                         | 30.6            | -134                                                          | 38.7            |
|                     | 1p | -7.72                                            | 18.3          | -22.8                           | -64.7                                                         | 27.8            | -103                                                          | 35.5            |
| $^{40}_j\text{Ca}$  | 1s | -46.0                                            | 31.7          | -51.8                           | -111                                                          | 33.1            | -148                                                          | 40.1            |
|                     | 1p | -26.8                                            | 26.8          | -38.5                           | -90.8                                                         | 31.0            | -129                                                          | 38.3            |
|                     | 2s | -4.61                                            | 17.7          | -21.9                           | -65.5                                                         | 28.9            | -99.8                                                         | 35.6            |
| $^{90}_j\text{Zr}$  | 1s | -52.9                                            | 33.2          | -56.0                           | -117                                                          | 33.4            | -154                                                          | 40.6            |
|                     | 1p | -40.0                                            | 30.5          | -47.7                           | -105                                                          | 32.3            | -143                                                          | 39.8            |
|                     | 2s | -21.7                                            | 26.1          | -35.4                           | -86.4                                                         | 30.7            | -123                                                          | 38.0            |
| $^{208}_j\text{Pb}$ | 1s | -56.3                                            | 33.2          | -57.5                           | -118                                                          | 33.1            | -157                                                          | 40.8            |
|                     | 1p | -48.3                                            | 31.8          | -52.6                           | -111                                                          | 32.5            | -151                                                          | 40.5            |
|                     | 2s | -35.9                                            | 29.6          | -44.9                           | -100                                                          | 31.7            | -139                                                          | 39.5            |



# Search for $\eta$ mesic states in heavier nuclei

C. Garcia-Recio et al., PLB 550 (2002) 47  
unitarized chiral model



preferably only 1s-state

$^{24}\text{Mg}$ :  $B=12.6$  MeV;  $\Gamma=33$  MeV

experiment at COSY (ENSTAR/Big-Karl):

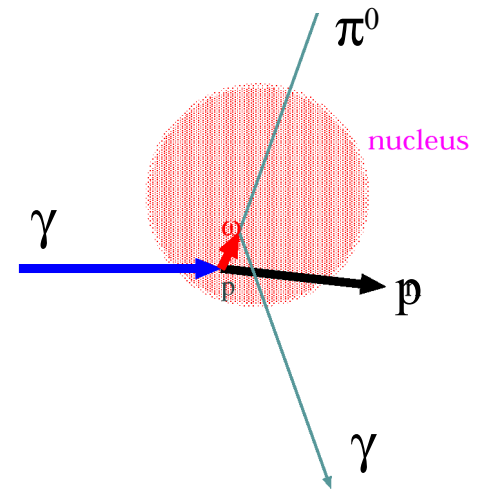
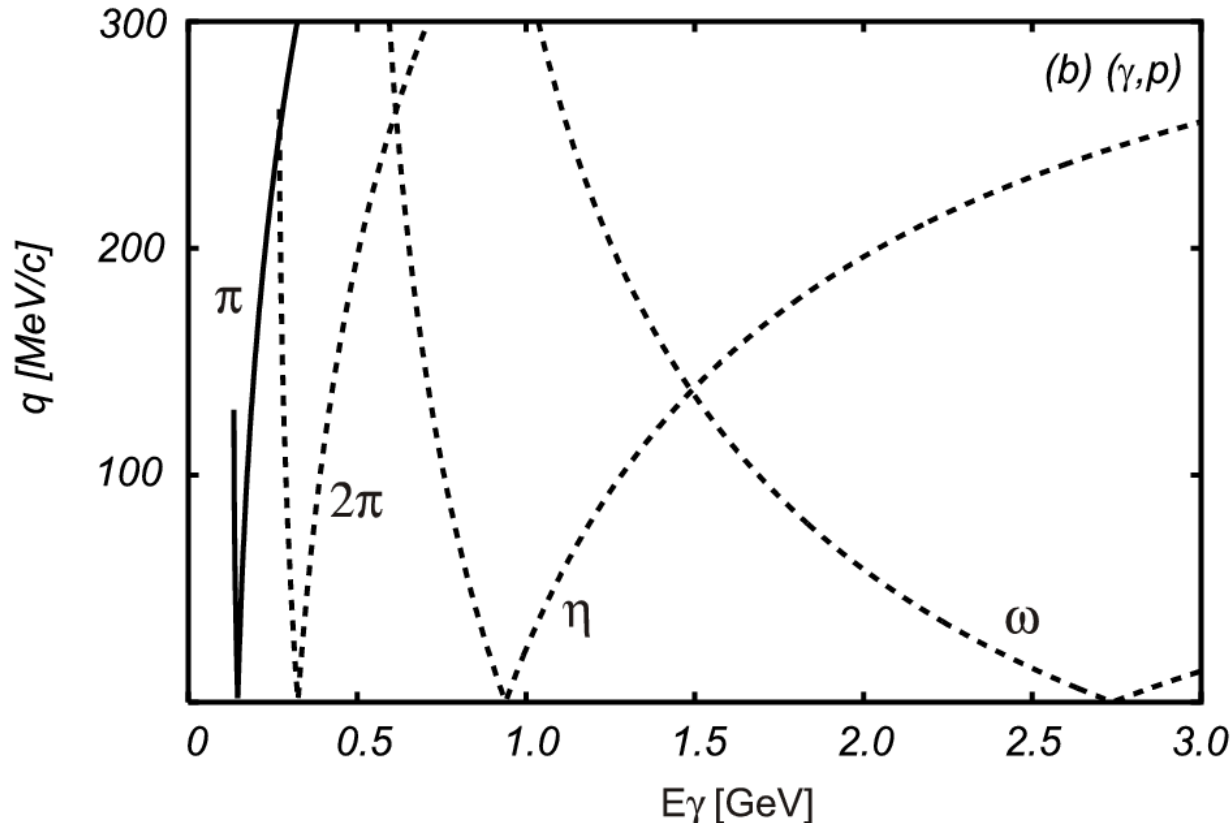
Roy et al. :  $p \ ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \ ^3\text{He} + \ _\eta^{10}\text{B}$ ;  $p \ ^6\text{Li} \rightarrow \ ^3\text{He} + \ _\eta^4\text{He}$

experiment at GSI:

Hayano et al., EPJ A6 (1999) 105;  $^7\text{Li}(d, ^3\text{He})_\eta ^6\text{He}$ ;  $T_d = 3.6\text{GeV}$

# meson-nucleus bound states – recoilless meson photo production

forward going nucleon takes over photon momentum

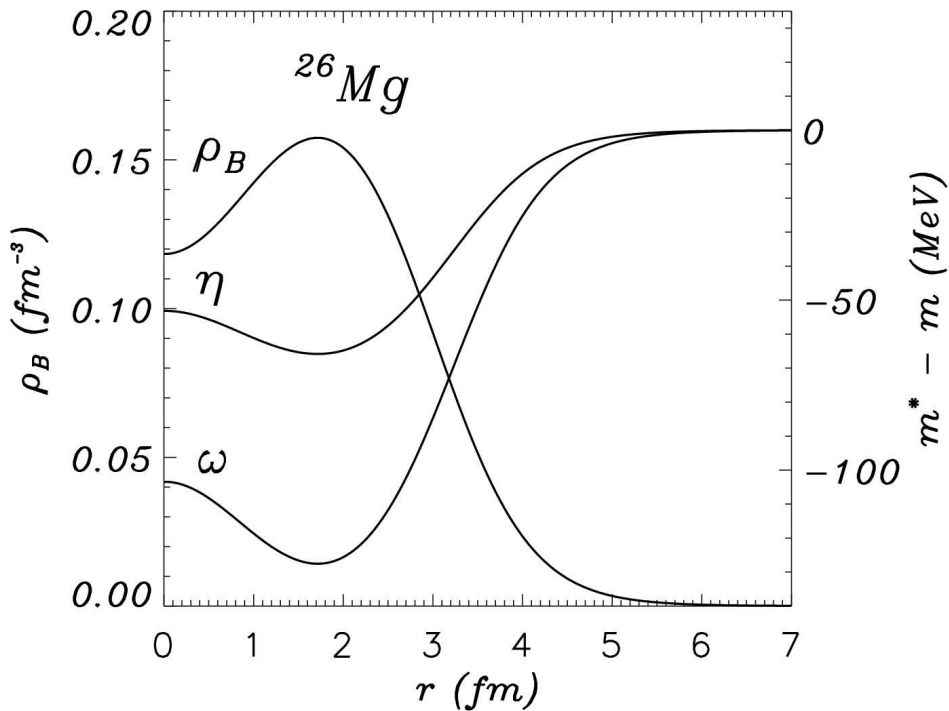


Magic incident energies  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \eta: E_\gamma \approx 930 \text{ MeV} \\ \omega: E_\gamma \approx 2750 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right\} \text{ (ELSA)}$

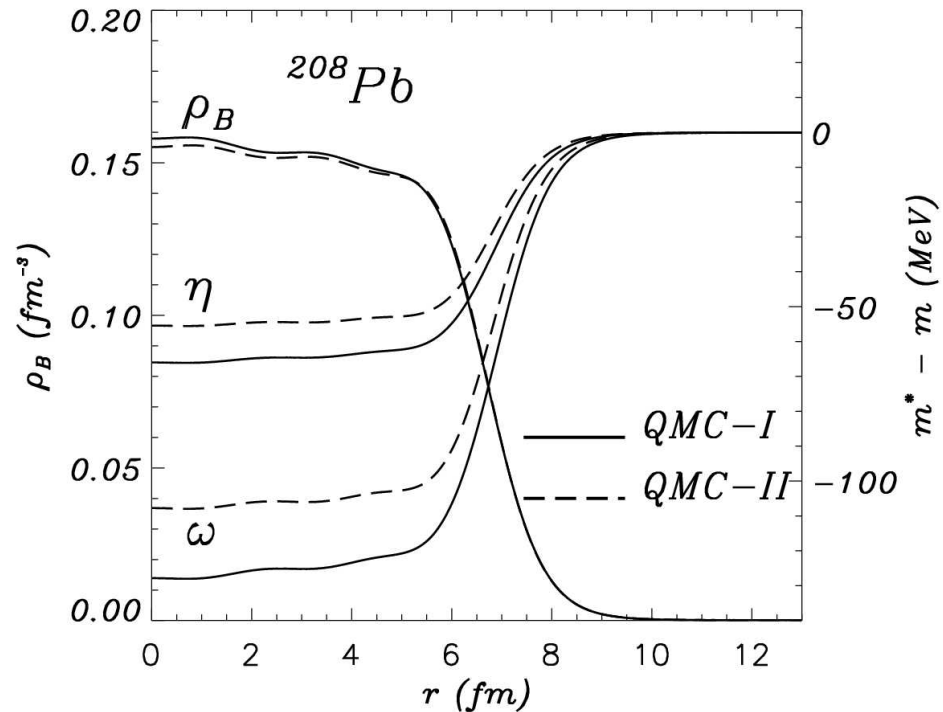
# $\eta$ -, $\omega$ -meson-nucleus potential

K. Saito, K. Tsushima, A.W. Thomas, hep-ph/0506314

predictions within the quark meson coupling model (QMC)



$\eta$ :  $E(1s) = -39$  MeV;  $\Gamma = 29$  MeV  
 $\omega$ :  $E(1s) = -100$  MeV;  $\Gamma = 31$  MeV



$\eta$ :  $E(1s) = -56$  MeV;  $\Gamma = 33$  MeV  
 $\omega$ :  $E(1s) = -118$  MeV;  $\Gamma = 33$  MeV

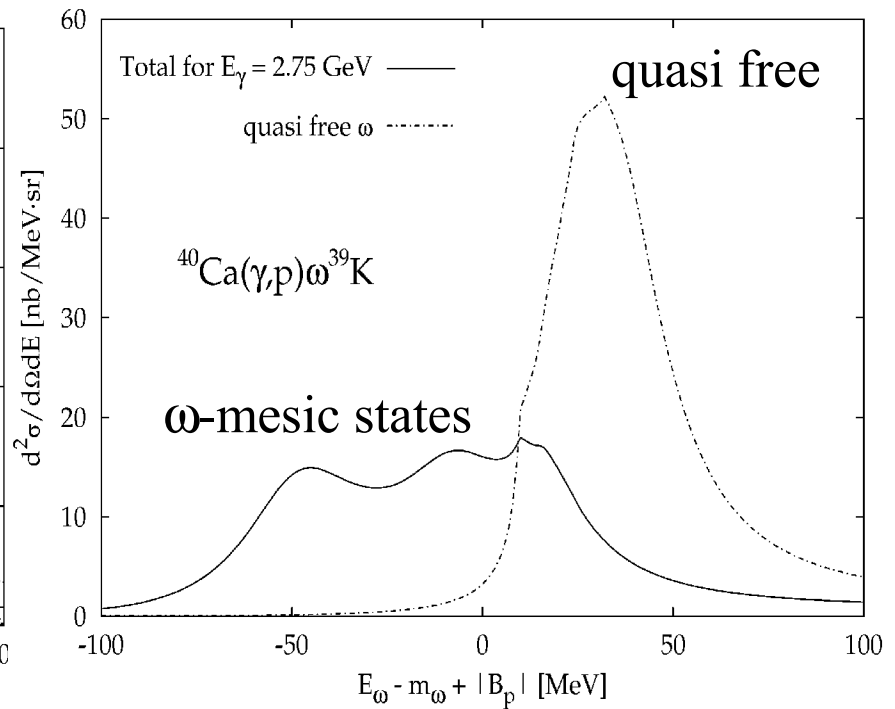
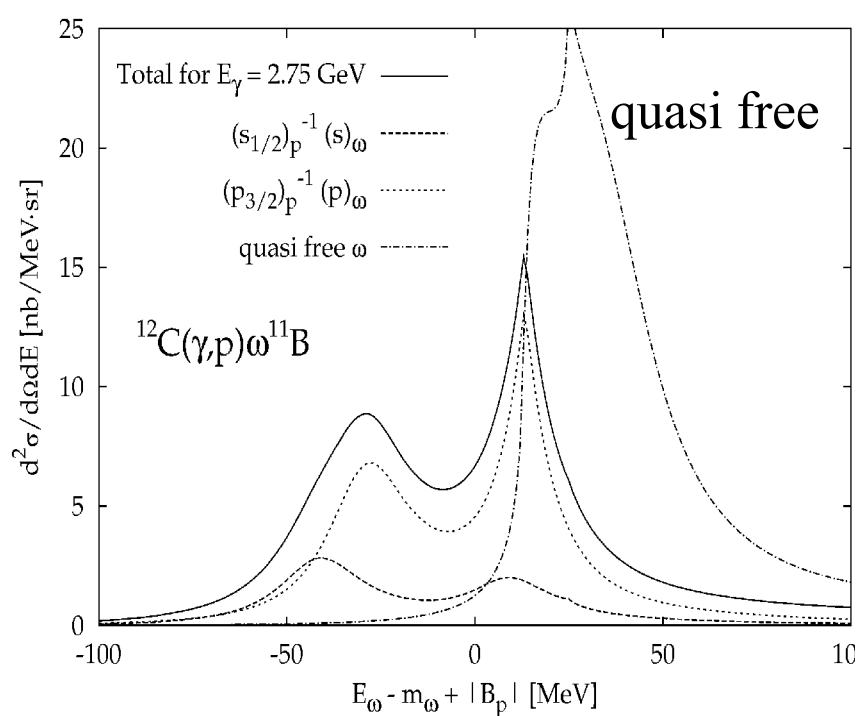
# Search for $\omega$ -mesic nuclei

formation of  $\omega$ -mesic nuclei in recoil-less quasi-free production:

magic energy:  $E_\gamma = 2.75$  GeV;

forward going proton takes over photon momentum

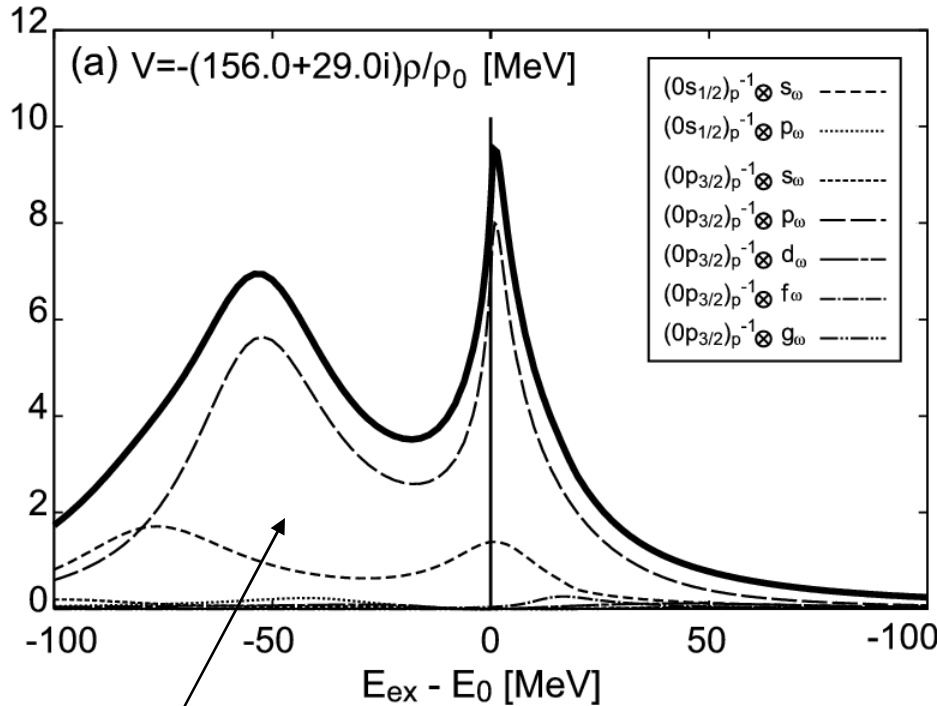
E. Marco and W. Weise, PLB 502 (2001) 59



# Predictions for different $\omega$ -nucleus potentials

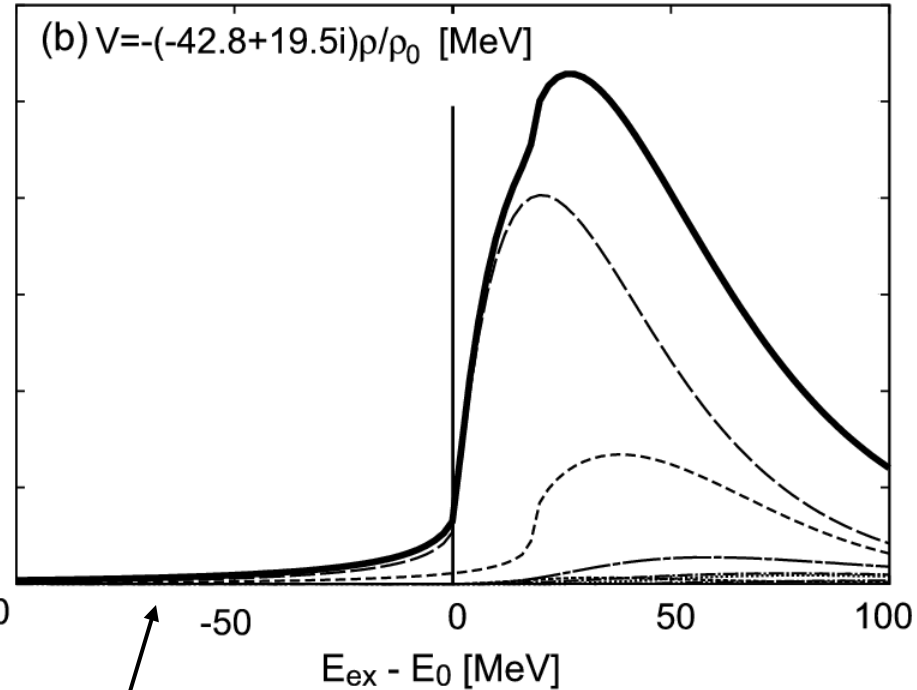
T. Nagahiro et al. N. Phys. A 761 (2005) 92

attractive potential



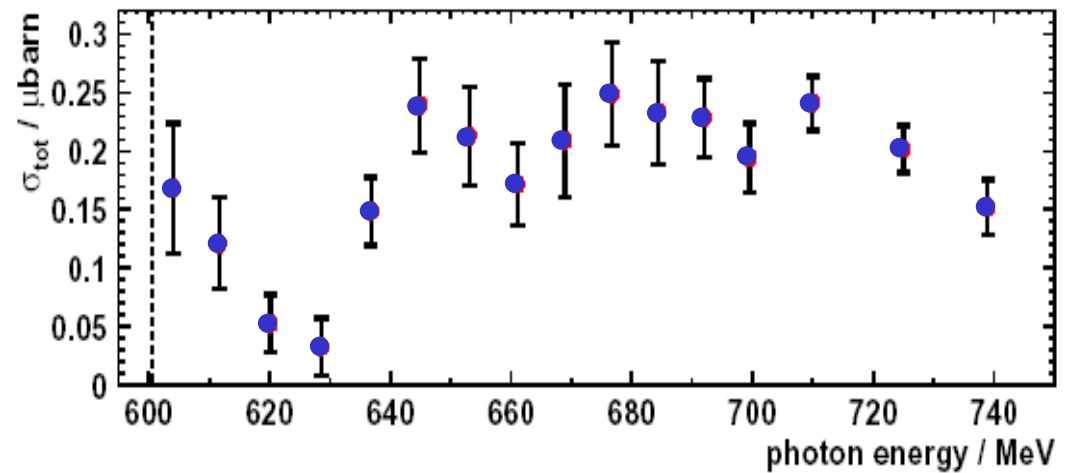
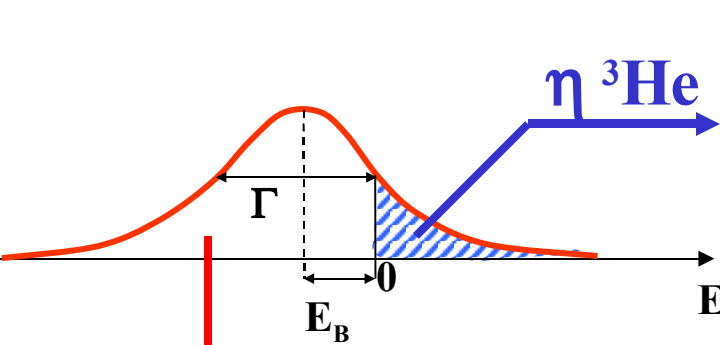
signature for  $\omega$  - mesic states

repulsive potential

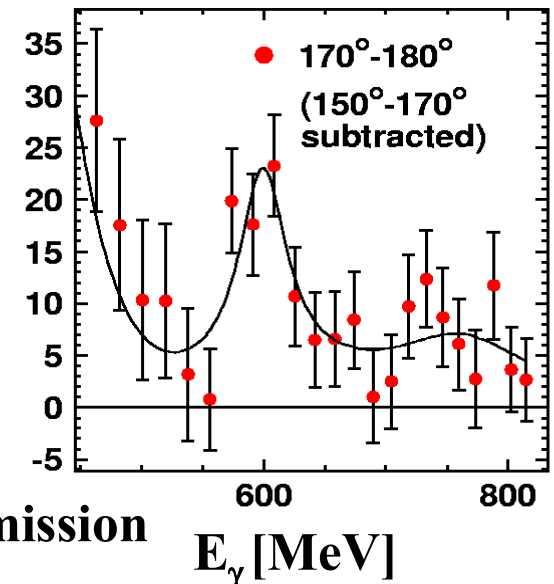
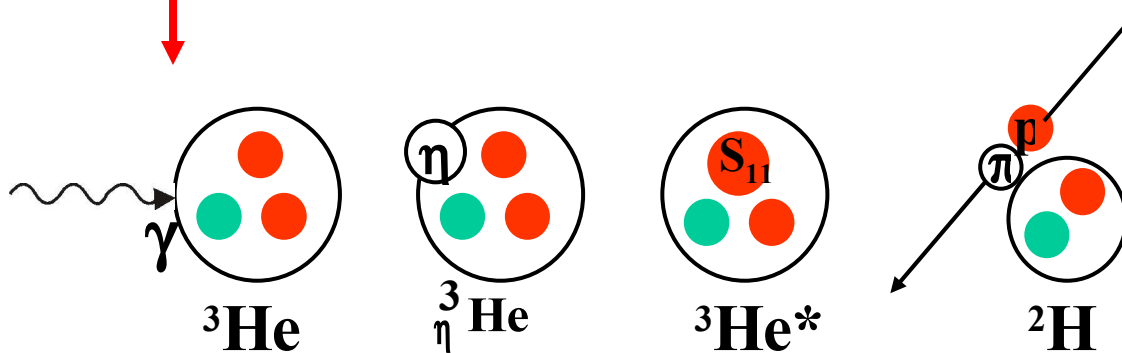


no intensity for negative energies

# Decay of a bound $\eta$ -mesic state: ${}^3\text{He}$

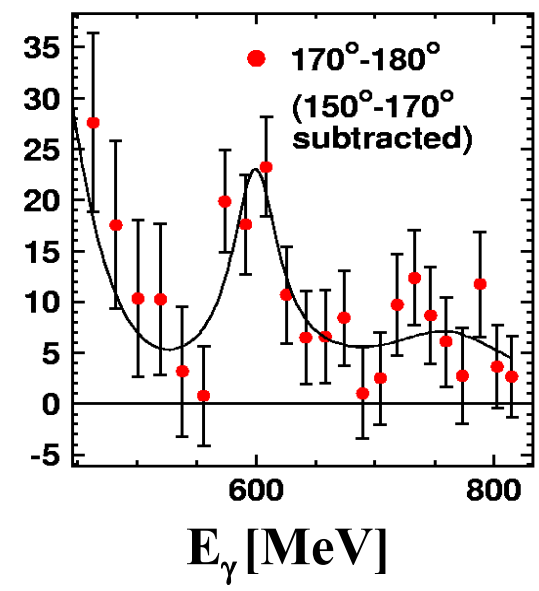
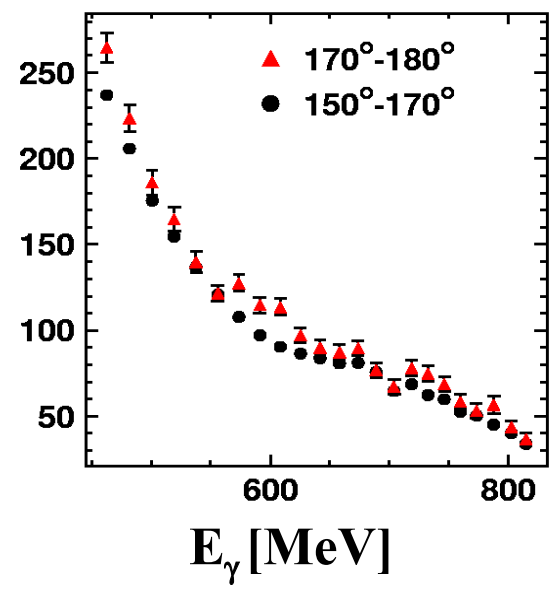
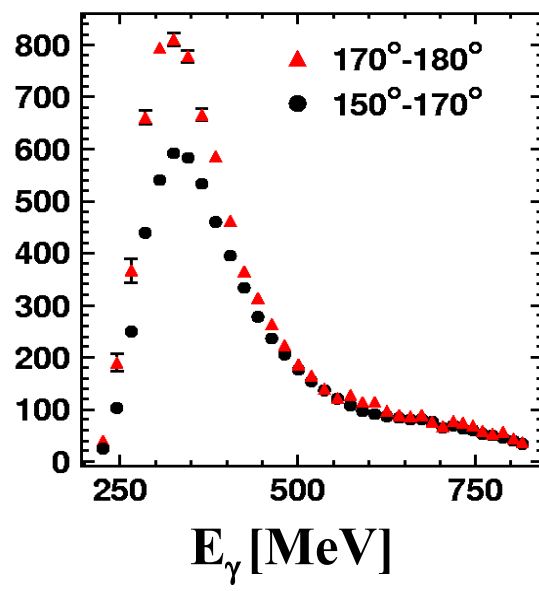
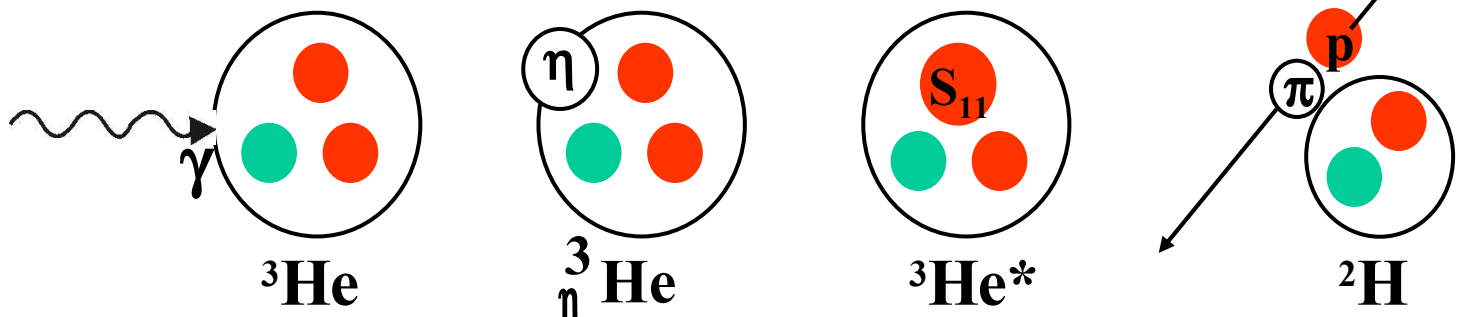


**excitation function: rise in cross section near threshold:**  
 **$\eta$ -mesic  ${}^3\text{He}$  state ? ( $\eta\text{N}$ -final state interaction?)**



**structure in excitation function for  $\pi^0 p$  back-to-back emission**

# $\pi p$ – decay of $^3_\eta\text{He}$



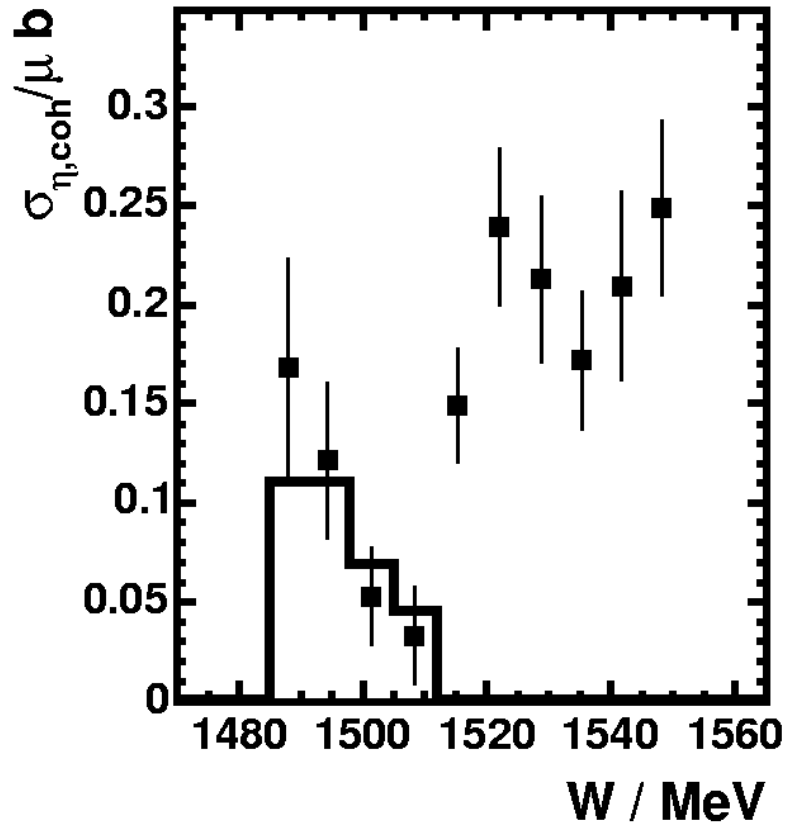
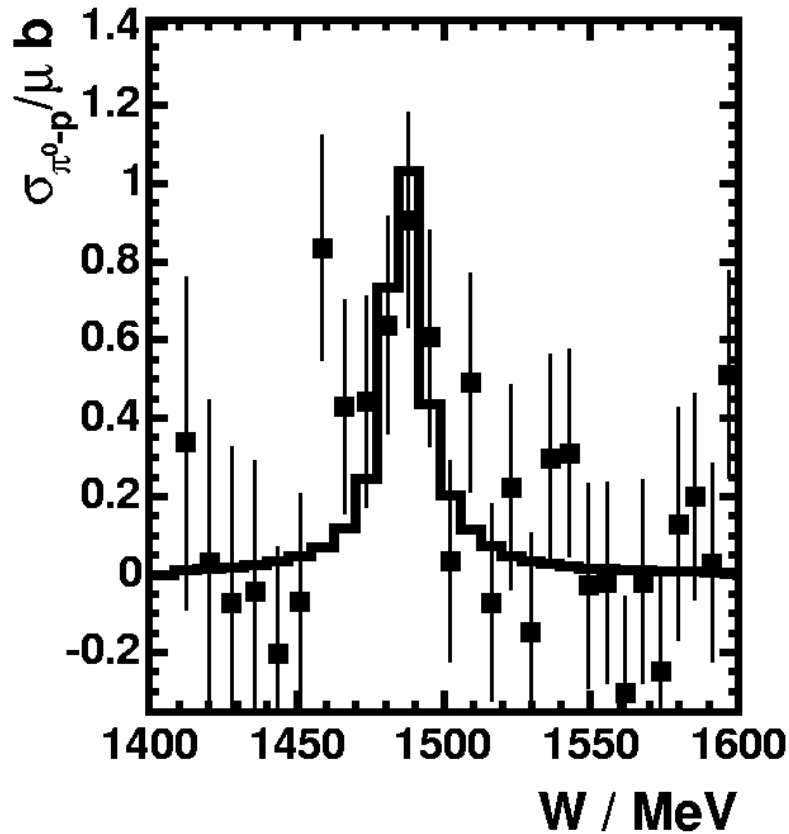
structure in excitation function of  $\pi^0 p$  back-to-back emission  
 near  $\eta$ -threshold:  $B(^3\text{He}) = (5.5 \pm 5) \text{ MeV}$ ;  $\Gamma = (39 \pm 21) \text{ MeV}$

$\eta$

# Flatte fit to TAPS data

M. Pfeiffer et al., PRL 94 (2005)

finer energy binning



$$\sigma_{\text{fi}} = \left( \frac{16\pi}{s} \right) \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{f}}}{\rho_{\text{i}}} \right) |\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{\text{fi}}|^2 \quad \hat{\mathbf{T}}_{\text{p}\pi^0, \eta} = \frac{m_0 \Gamma_0 \cdot A_{\pi^0, \eta}}{m_0^2 - m^2 - i m_0 \left( \rho_{\text{p}\pi^0} \Gamma_0 \gamma_{\text{p}\pi^0}^2 + \rho_{\text{p}\eta} \Gamma_0 \gamma_{\text{p}\eta}^2 \right)}$$

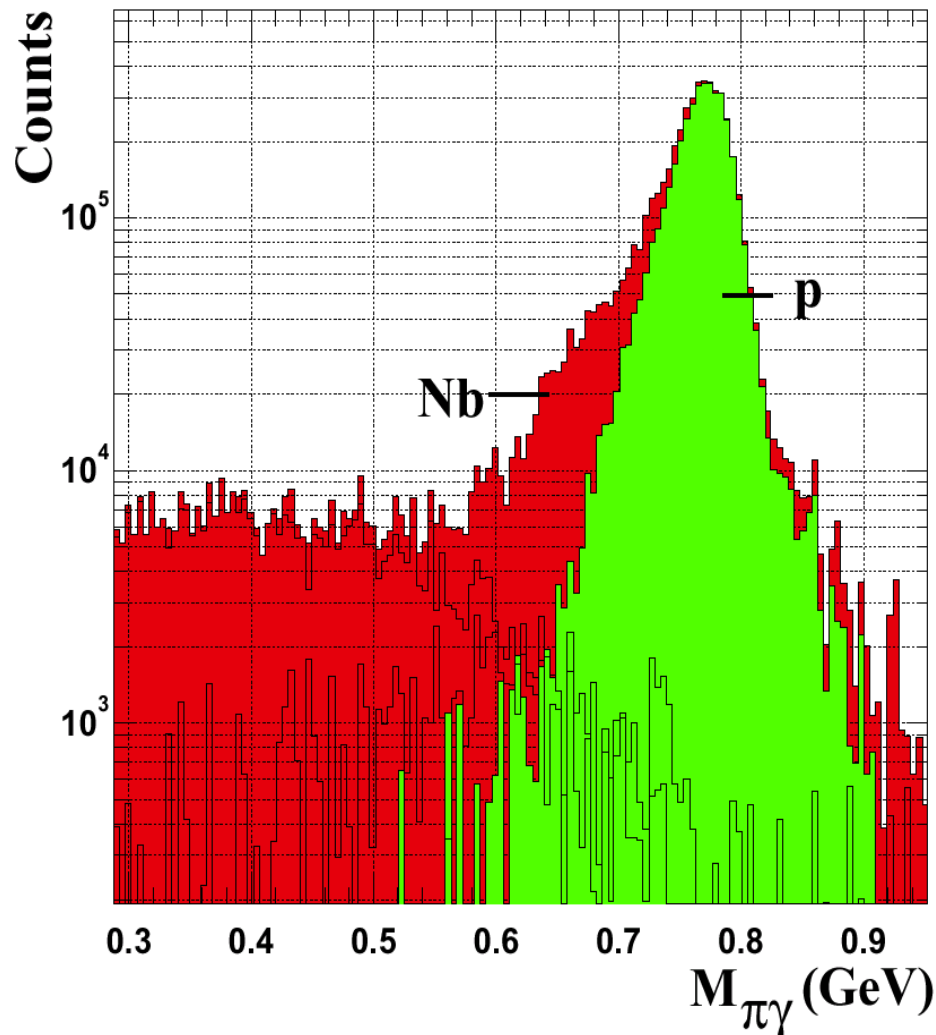
2 poles:  $m - i\Gamma/2 = (1487.7 - i4.8) \text{ MeV}; (1483.9 - i8.9) \text{ MeV}$



# expected mass distribution for p, Nb

(including detector resolution and  $2\pi^0$  background)

$\gamma + (p, \text{Nb}) @ 1.2 \text{ GeV}$



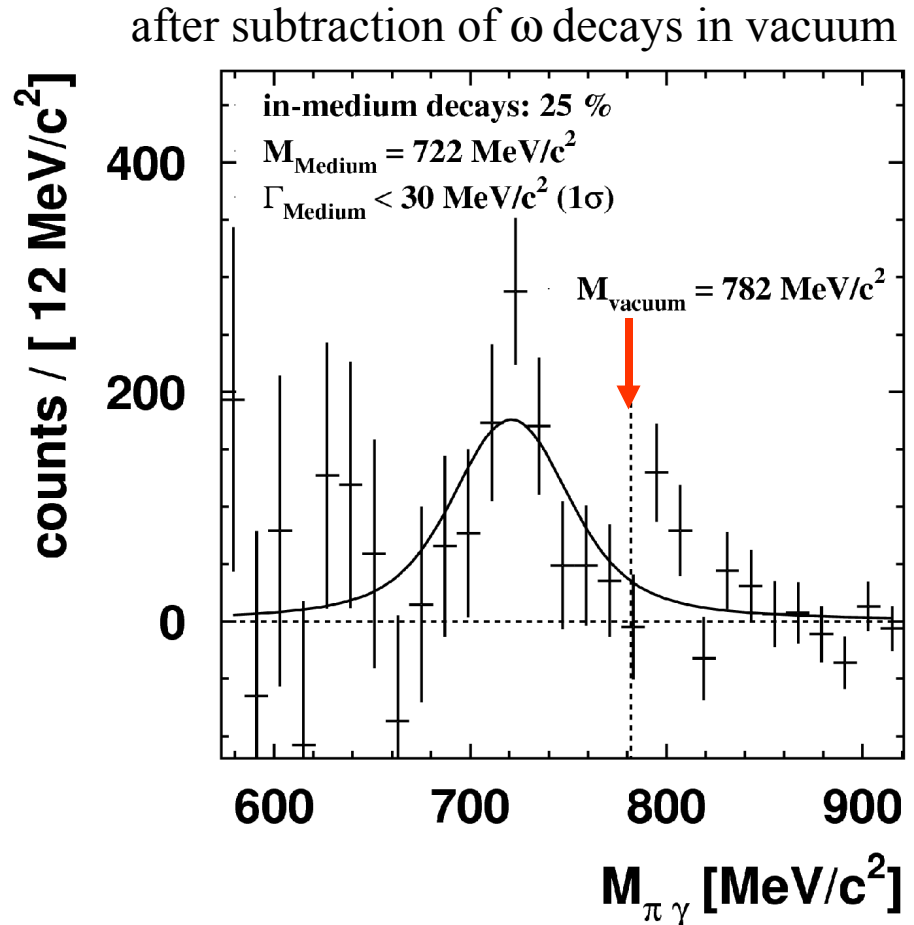
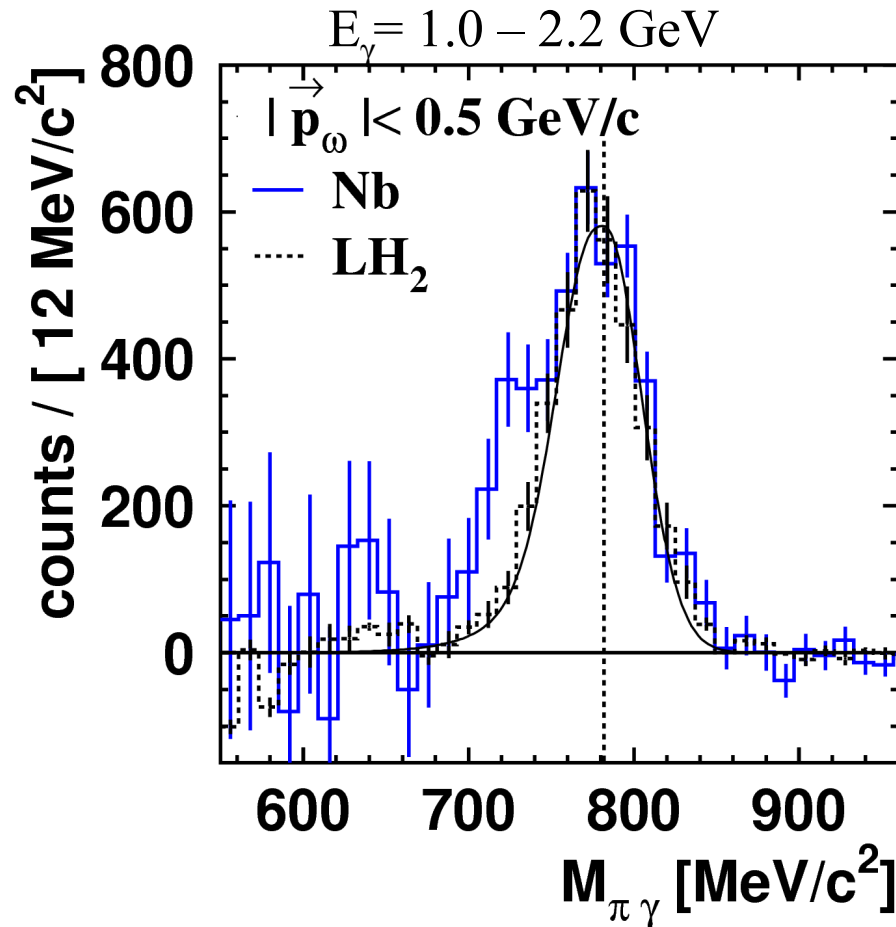
after cut on  $\pi^0$  kinetic energy

within  $0.6 < M_{\pi^0\gamma} < 0.8$  :

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| outside                    | 76% |
| inside no $\pi^0$ -rescat. | 22% |
| inside $\pi^0$ -rescat.    | 1%  |
| double- $\pi^0$            | 1%  |

# First observation of in-medium modifications of the $\omega$ -meson

D. Trnka et al., PRL 94 (2005) 192303; experiment at ELSA



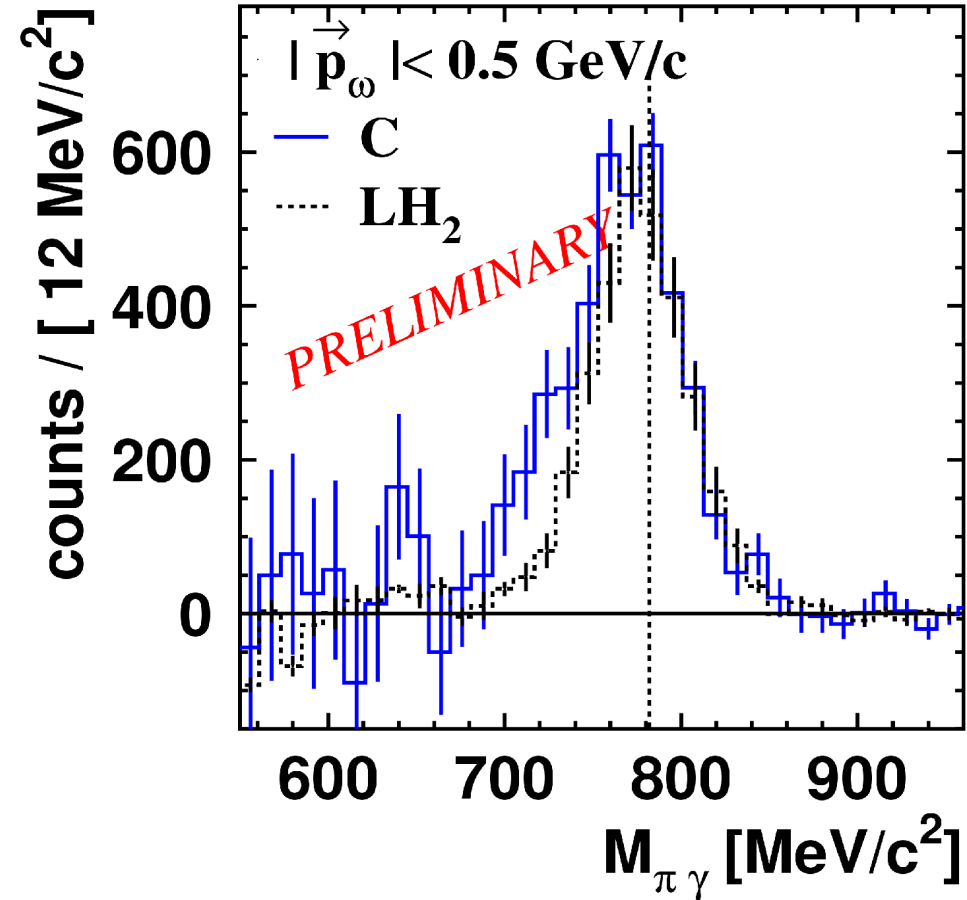
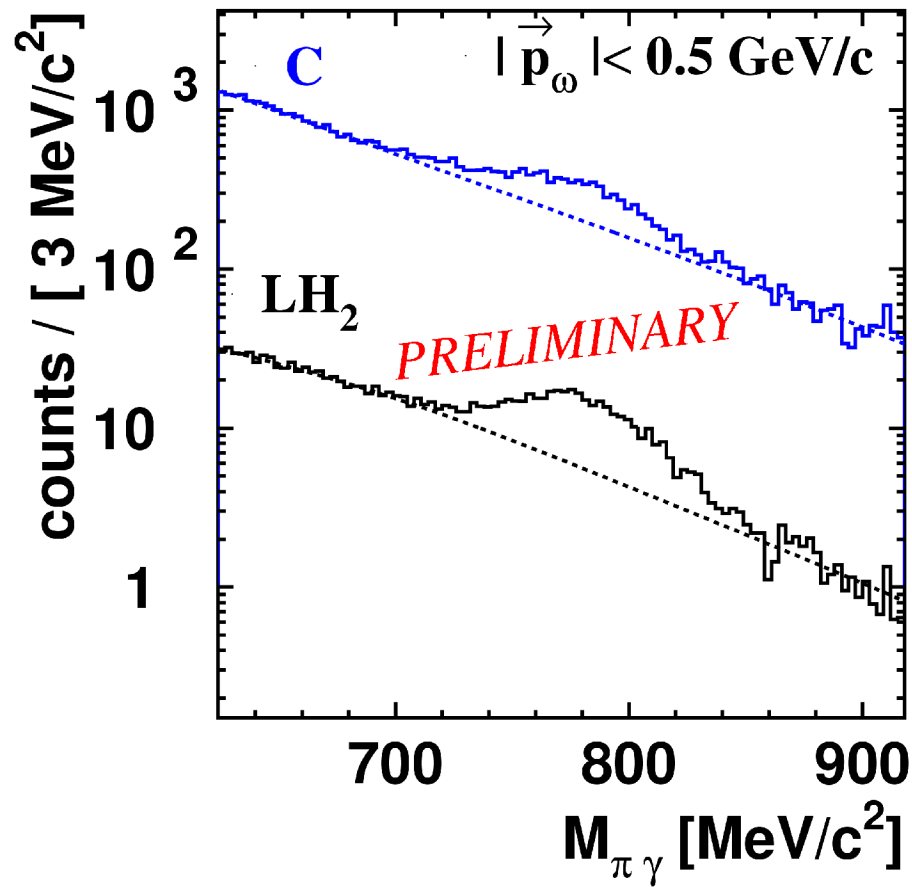
$\omega$  in-medium mass:  $720^{+35}$  MeV/c<sup>2</sup> consistent with  $m_\omega = m_0 (1 - 0.14 \rho/\rho_0)$

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**Open questions:** 1.) in-medium  $\omega$  width? 2.) structure at 630 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>?

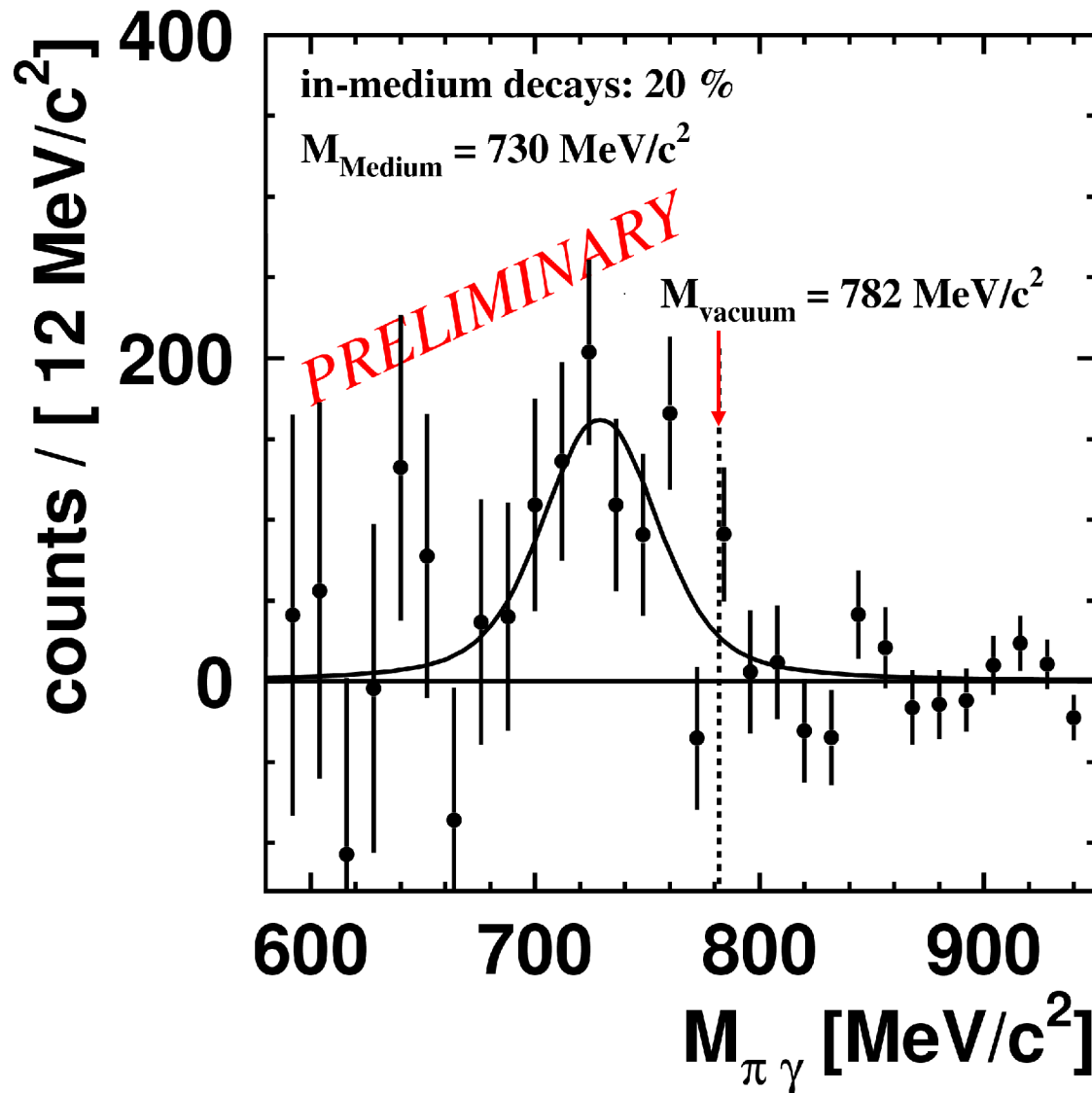
# $\omega$ photo production off C and LH<sub>2</sub>

David Trnka (Giessen) et al.



again difference in line shape of  $\omega$  signal for proton and nuclear target

## contribution from $\omega$ in-medium decays (C-target)



In-medium  $\omega$ -signal  
after subtracting  
vacuum decay  
contribution (80%)

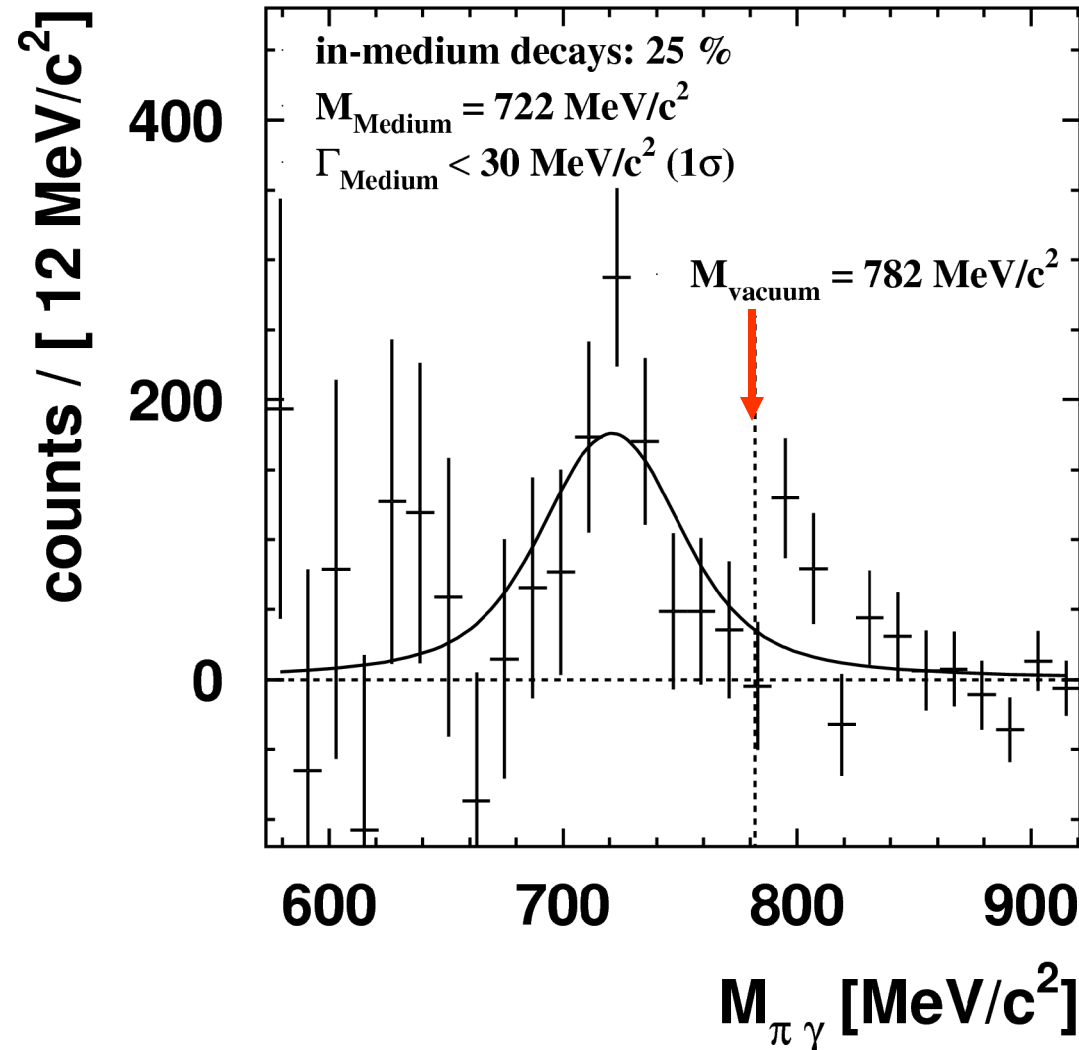
$\omega$  in-medium strength  
centered around  
730 MeV

⇒ mass drop by about 6%  
at estimated baryon  
density of about  $0.45 \rho_0$

consistent with  
 $m_\omega = m_0 (1 - \alpha \rho/\rho_0)$ ;  
for  $\alpha = 0.14$

## contribution from $\omega$ in-medium decays

D. Trnka et al., PRL 94 (2005)192303



$\omega$  decays in vacuum  
 removed by subtracting  $\omega$   
 mass distribution measured  
 with LH<sub>2</sub> target (75%)

strength of in-medium  
 $\omega$  decays concentrated  
 around masses of 720 MeV  
 (systematic error due to  
 normalization: +35, -5 MeV)

⇒ mass drop by about 7%  
 at estimated baryon  
 density of about  $0.55 \rho_0$

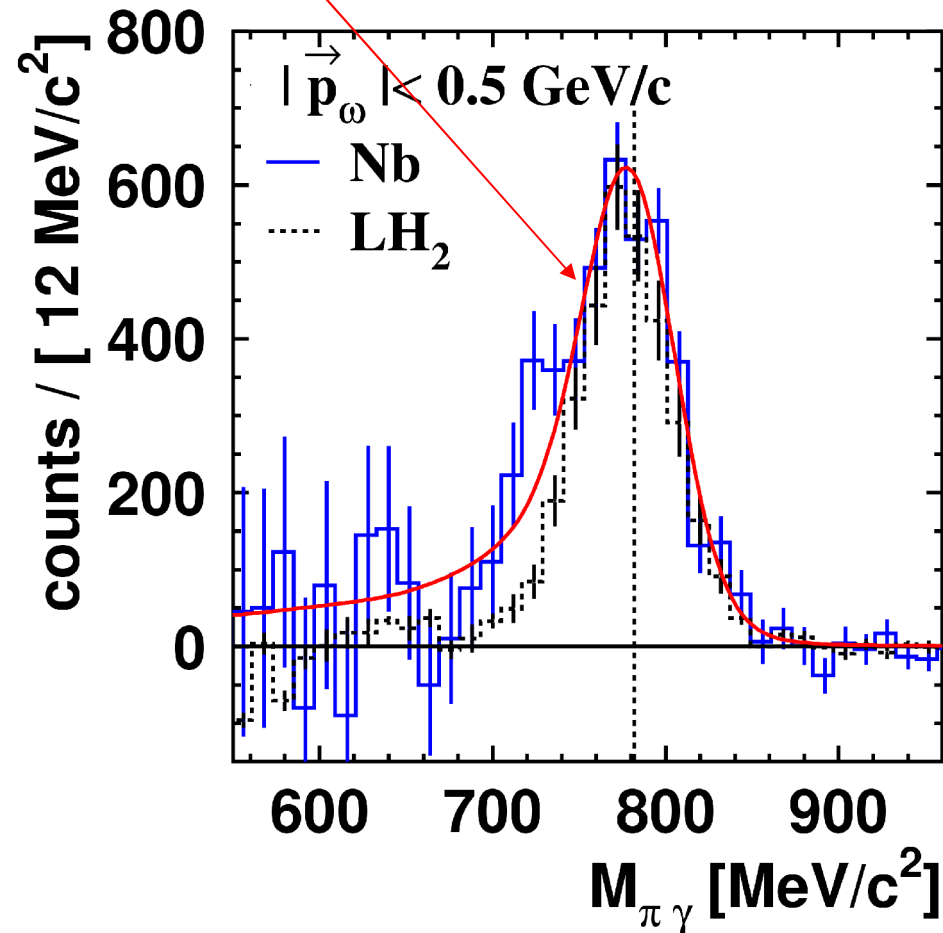
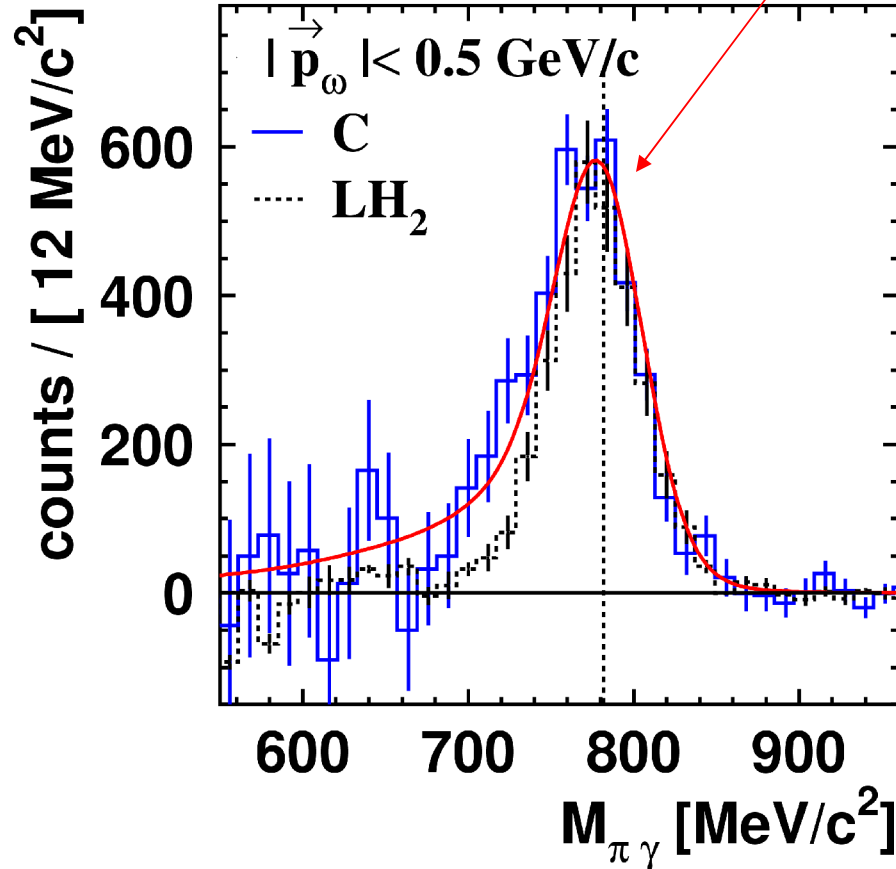
consistent with  
 $m_\omega = m_0 (1 - \alpha \rho/\rho_0)$ ;  
 for  $\alpha = 0.14$

width governed by experimental resolution!

## Comparison with BUU calculations

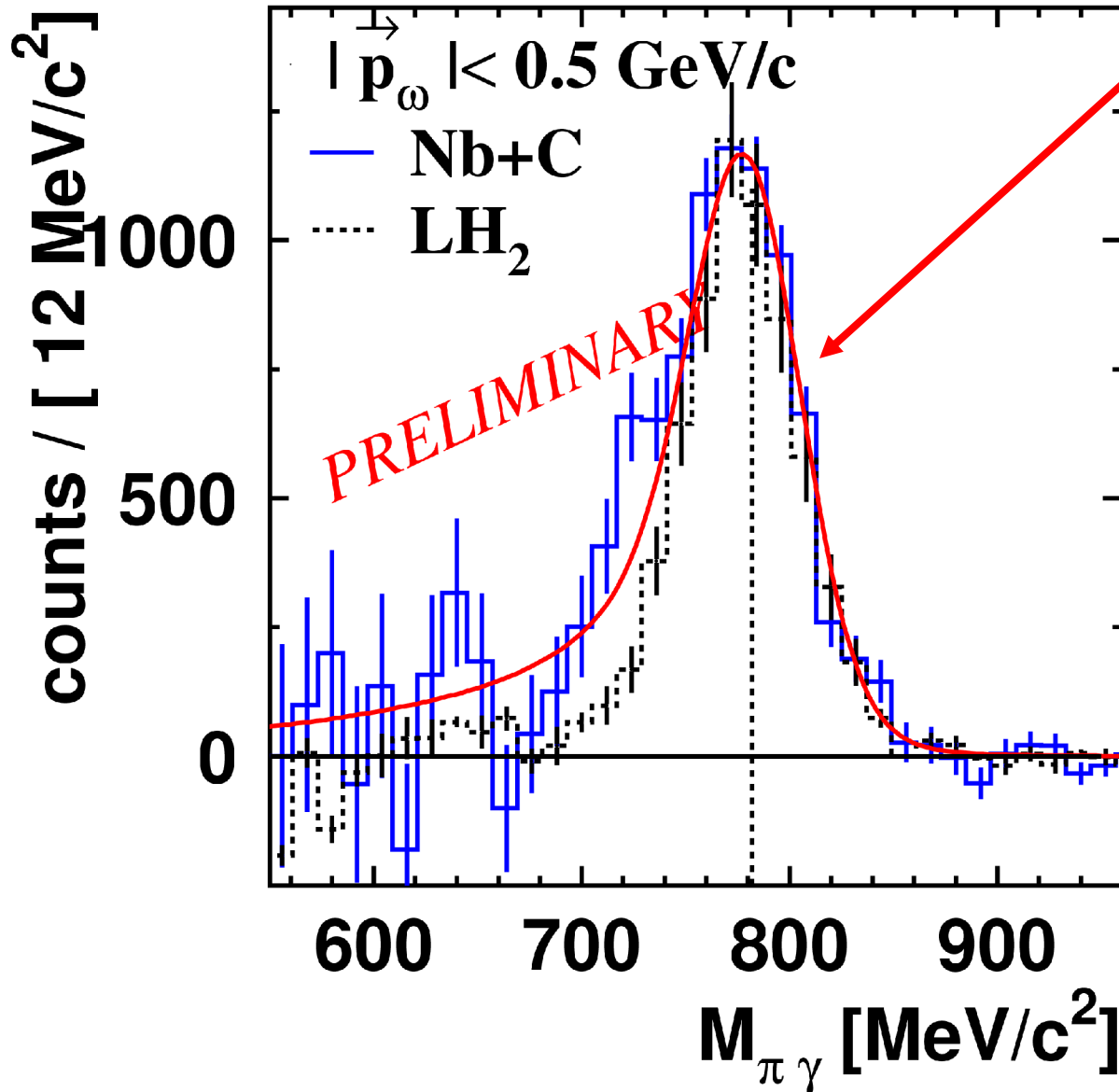
P. Mühlich (Giessen) priv. communication

$$m_{\omega} = m_0 (1 - 0.16 \rho/\rho_0);$$



almost quantitative agreement between experiment and calculation

## Summed spectra (C+Nb)



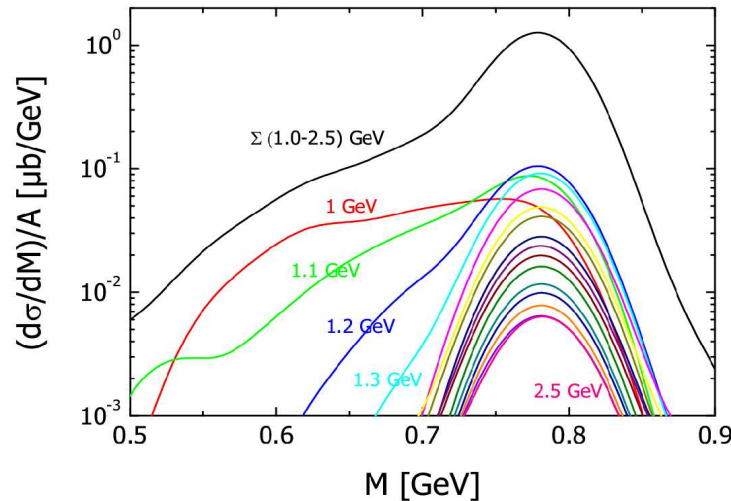
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Structure around  
640 MeV ?

important to clarify  
in view of theoretical  
predictions for structures  
in the in-medium  
spectral function of  
the  $\omega$  meson

# count rate estimate

## for improved 2nd. generation experiment at MAMI C (A2-1)



P. Mühlich (priv. com.)  
 most of the medium  
 modifications occur  
 for  $E_\gamma \leq 1.3$  GeV  
 $\Rightarrow$  MAMI C

| targets                                | p      | d      | C      | Ca     | Nb     | Pb    |
|----------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| photon flux (0.8-1.4 GeV) [ $10^6/s$ ] | 13     | 13     | 13     | 11     | 10     | 8     |
| target thickness [cm]                  | 5      | 5      | 2      | 1      | 0.1    | 0.06  |
| running time [h]                       | 50     | 50     | 100    | 100    | 400    | 500   |
| number of events                       | 17 000 | 34 000 | 20 000 | 10 000 | 20 000 | 4 500 |
| effective number of events             | 7 000  | 14 000 | 3 600  | 1 500  | 3 600  | 450   |

Total requested runng time **1300 h** (including 100 h of no-target runs)



**count rate estimate  
for 2nd. generation experiment at ELSA (E5)**

**for  $\omega$  mesic nuclei**

| <b>targets</b>                                         | <b>C</b>   | <b>Ca</b>  | <b>Nb</b>  |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>photon flux (0.8-2.9 GeV) [<math>10^6/s</math>]</b> | <b>10</b>  | <b>10</b>  | <b>8</b>   |
| <b>target thickness [cm]</b>                           | <b>2</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>0.1</b> |
| <b>running time [h]</b>                                | <b>200</b> | <b>300</b> | <b>500</b> |
| <b>number of events</b>                                | <b>300</b> | <b>300</b> | <b>300</b> |
| <b>effective number of events</b>                      | <b>150</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>100</b> |

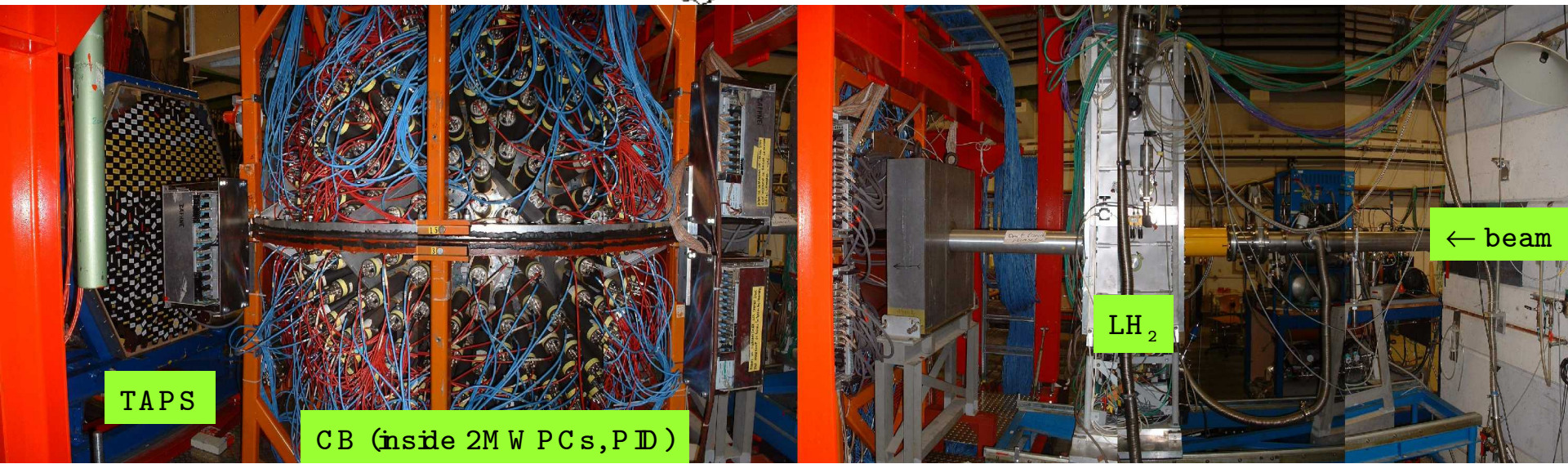
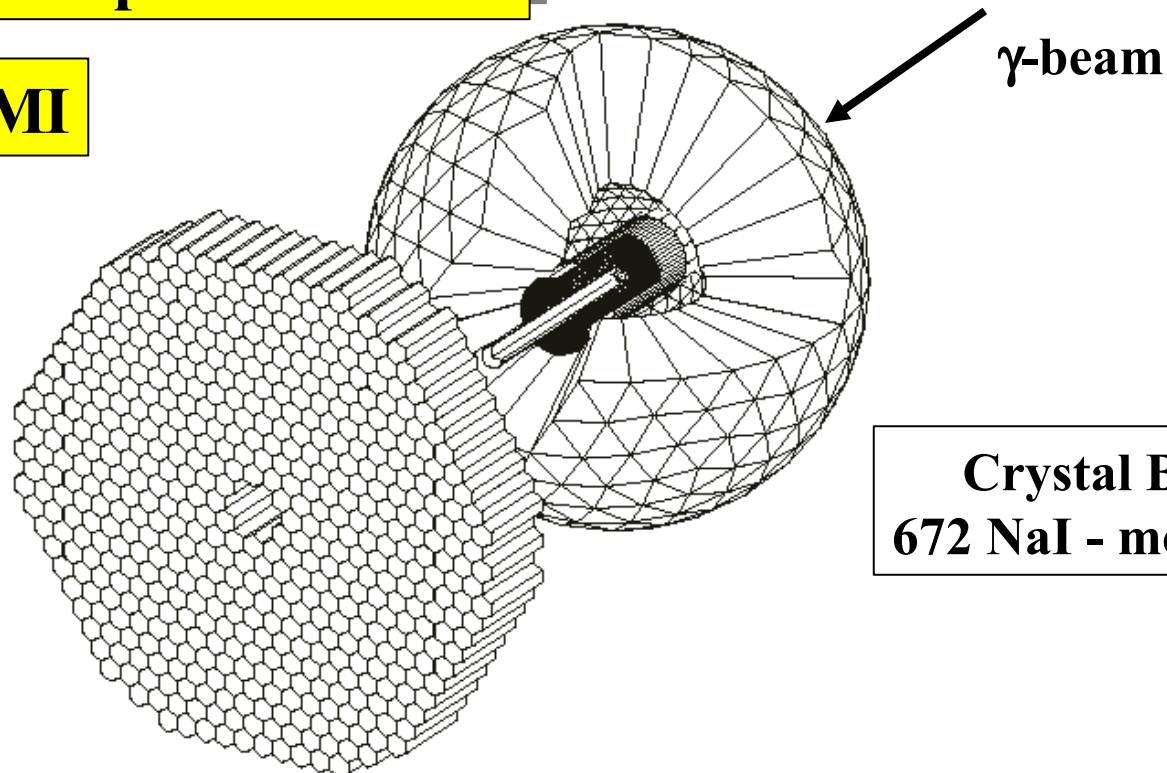
- look for  $\eta$ -mesic nuclei in recoilless production  
around magic photon energy:  $E_\gamma \approx 930$  MeV  
decay mode:  $\eta N \rightarrow N\pi^0$  (back-to-back emission)

**Total requested running time 1100 h (including no-target runs of 100 h)**

# Proposed setup for experiment A2-1

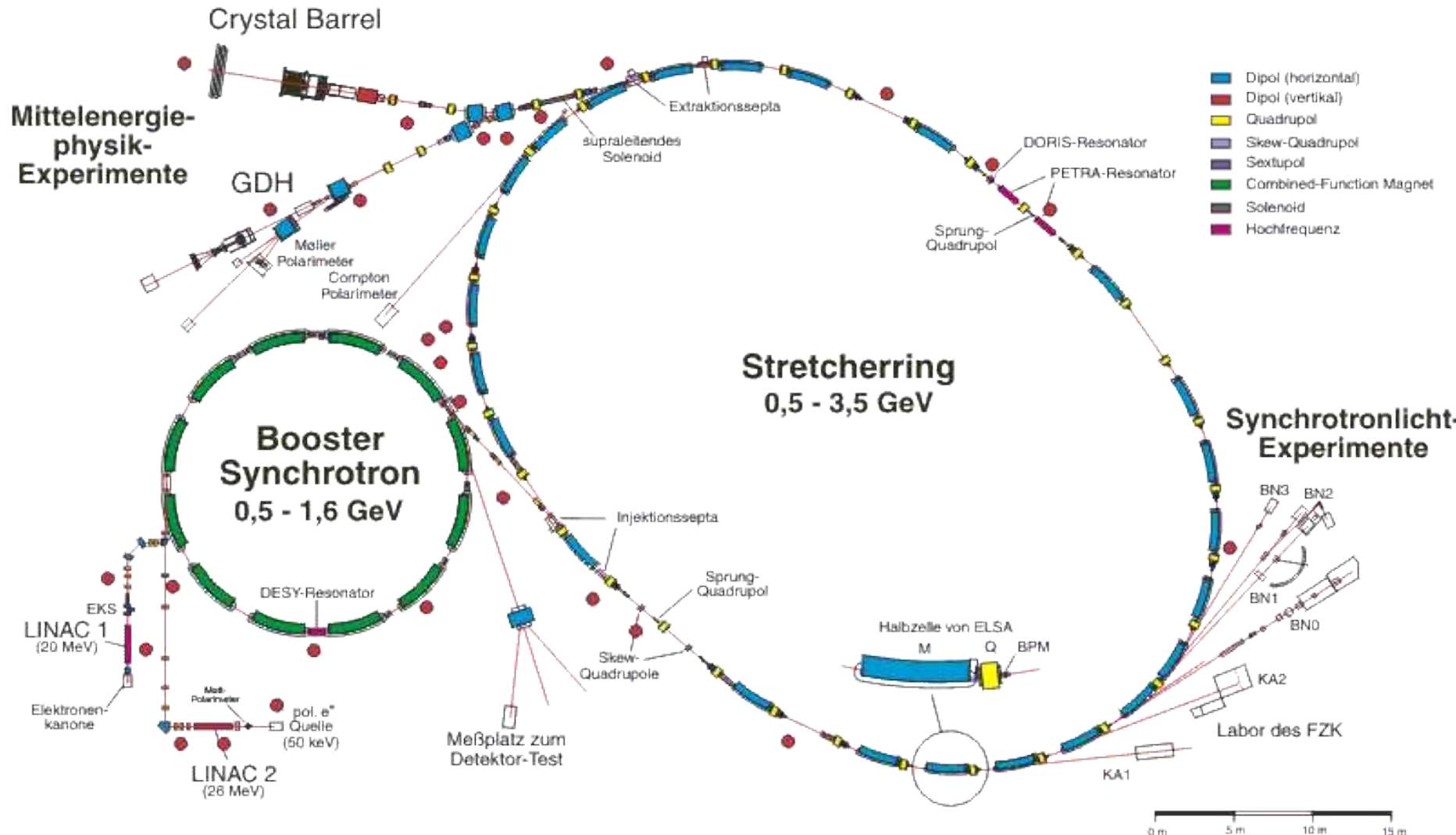
**CB/TAPS@MAMI**

**TAPS forward wall**  
**384 BaF<sub>2</sub> modules**  
**distance: 150 cm**  
**angles: 1.1° – 20.0°**

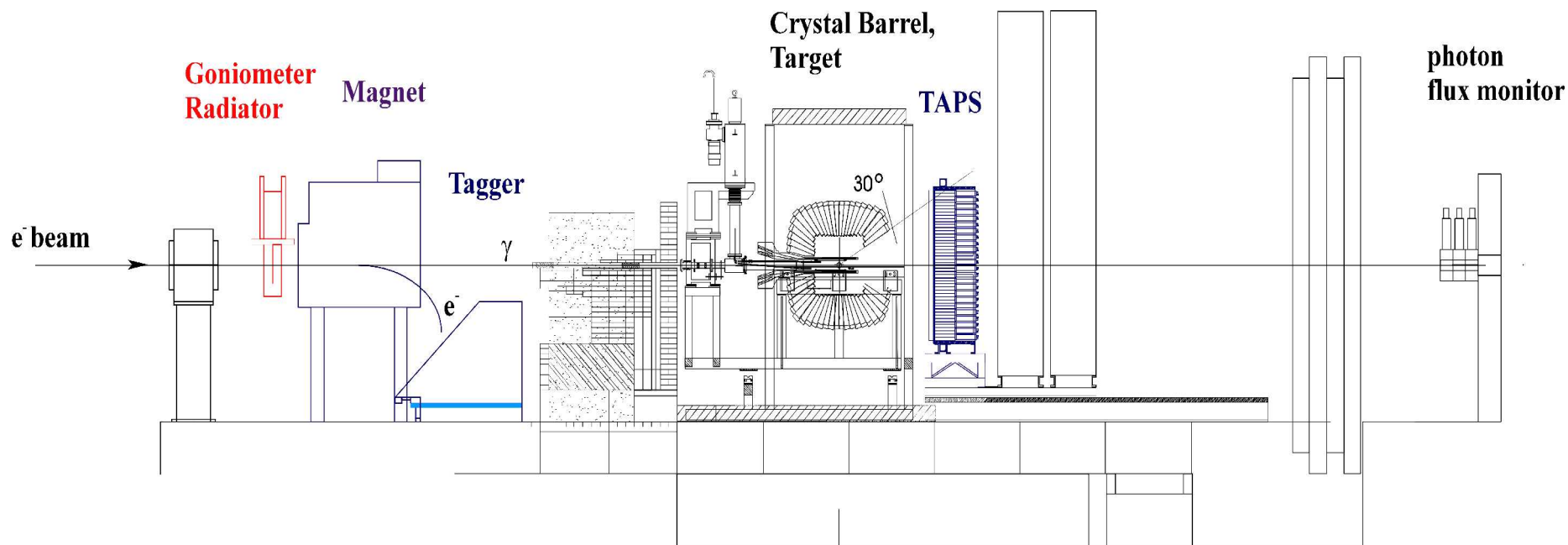


# The accelerator facility ELSA at Bonn

ELSA = Elektron Strecher Anlage



# The Crystal Barrel/ TAPS detector @ELSA



tagging spectrometer:

tagging range: 31% -94% of  $E_{\text{beam}}$

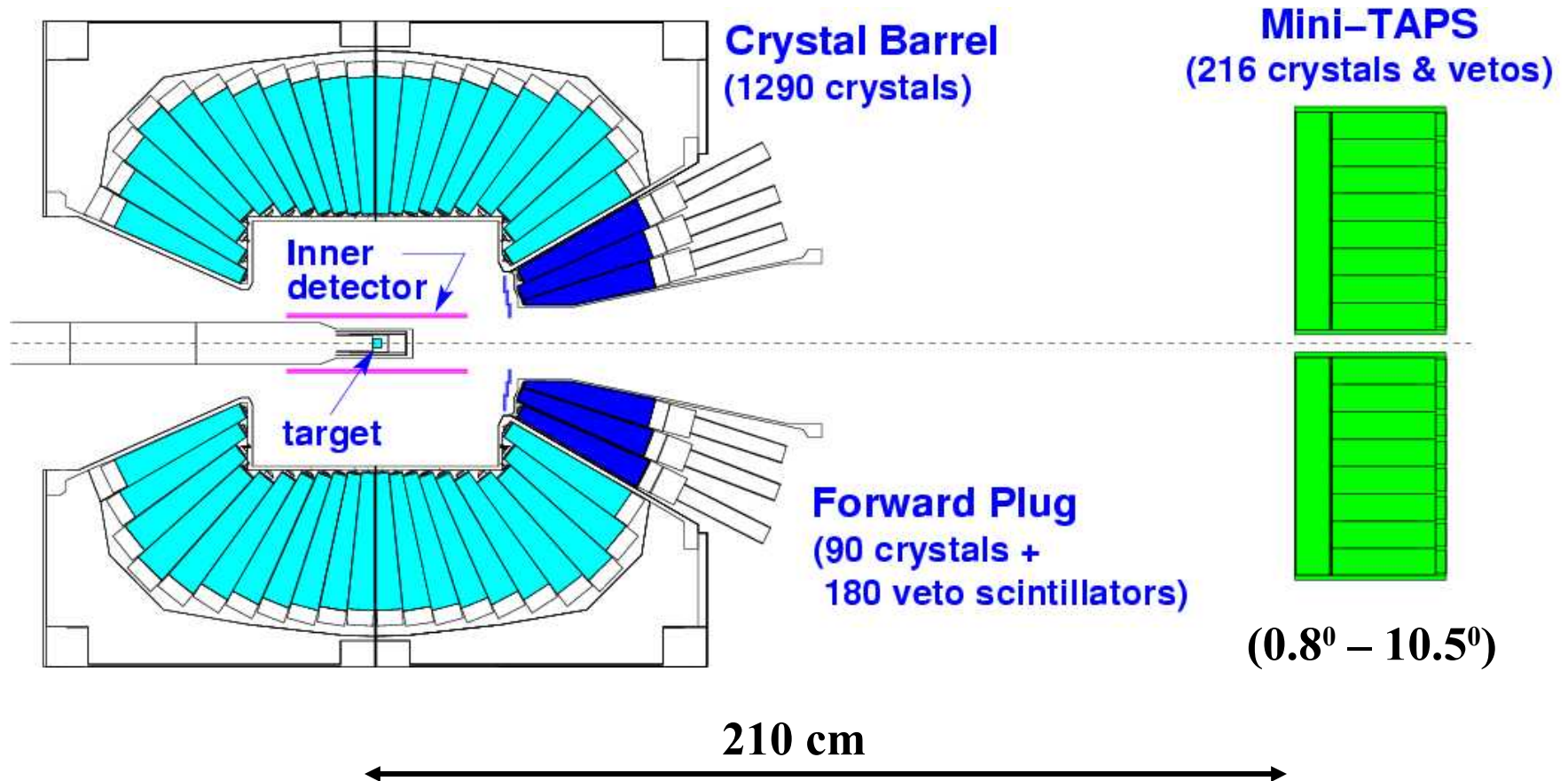
$$E_{\gamma} = E_{\text{beam}} - E_e$$

CB: 1290 CsI modules

TAPS: 528 BaF<sub>2</sub> modules

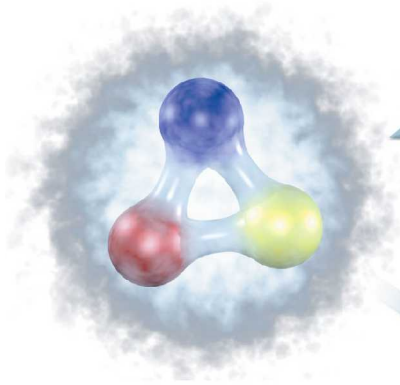


# Proposed experimental setup for experiment E5



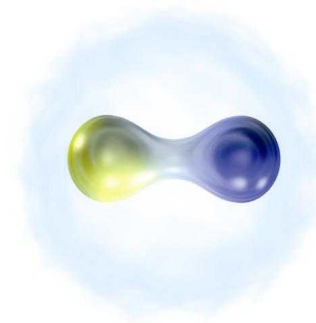
# hadrons: strongly interacting composite particles

Baryons (qqq)



proton: (uud)  $J^\pi = \frac{1}{2}^+$ ,  $\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow$   
 neutron: (udd)  $J^\pi = \frac{1}{2}^+$ ,  $\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow$

Mesons ( $q\bar{q}$ )



pseudoscalar mesons:  $J^\pi = 0^-, \uparrow\downarrow$   
 $\pi^+(u\bar{d})$ ,  $\pi^0(u\bar{u}-d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\pi^-(d\bar{u})$

vector mesons:  $J^\pi = 1^-, \uparrow\uparrow$   
 $\rho^+(u\bar{d})$ ,  $\rho^0(u\bar{u}-d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\rho^-(d\bar{u})$   
 $\omega(u\bar{u}-d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\phi(s\bar{s})$

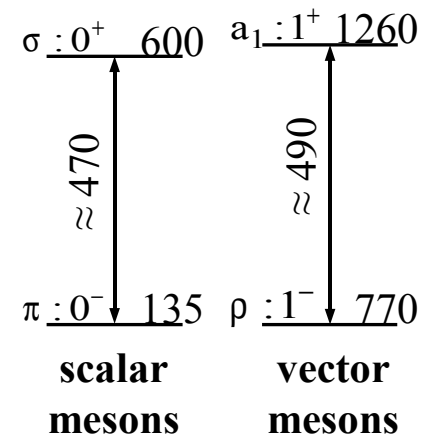
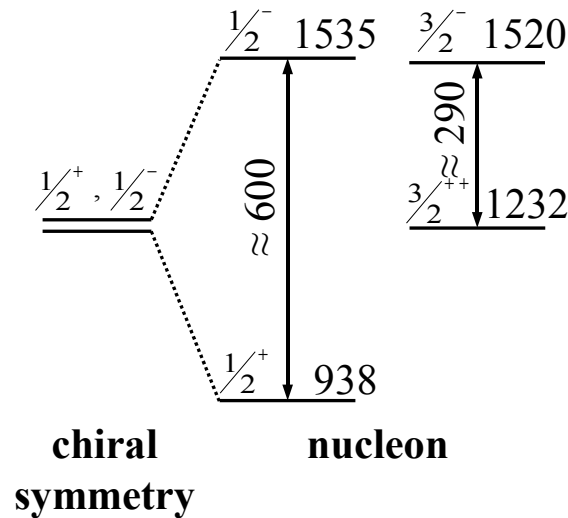
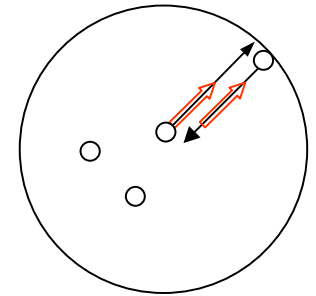
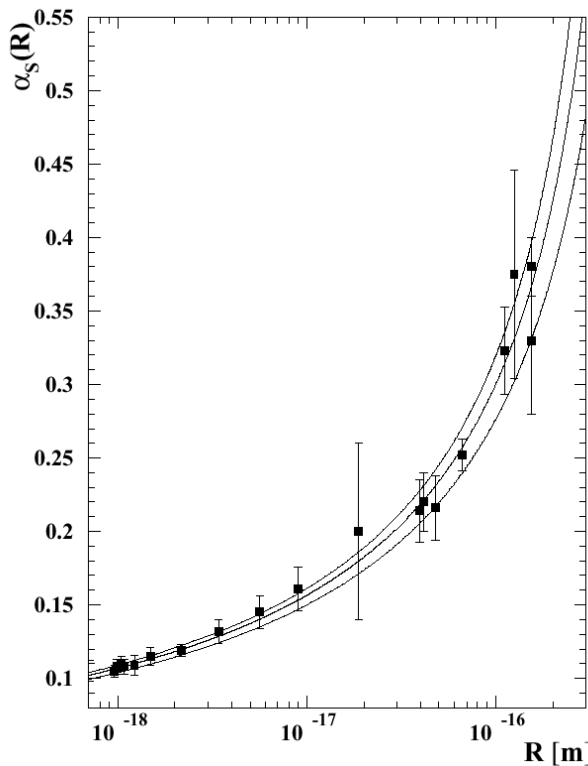
scalar mesons:  $J^\pi = 0^+, \uparrow\downarrow$   
 $\sigma$ ,  $(\pi\pi)_{l=0}$

# how is the mass of the nucleon generated?

$$m_N = 938 \text{ MeV} \gg m_q \approx 5 - 10 \text{ MeV}$$

## the role of chiral symmetry breaking

- chiral symmetry = fundamental symmetry of QCD for massless quarks
- chiral symmetry broken on hadron level

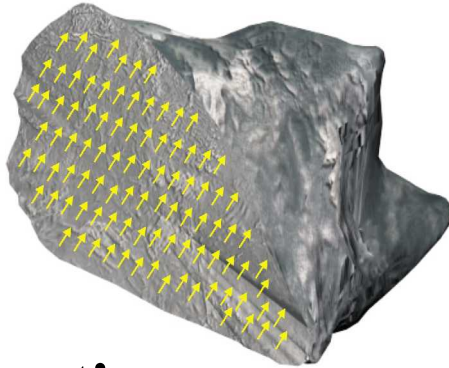


the interaction among quarks has to become so strong that it overcomes their quantum mechanical resistance to localization (Wilczek)

**mass split comparable to hadron masses !**

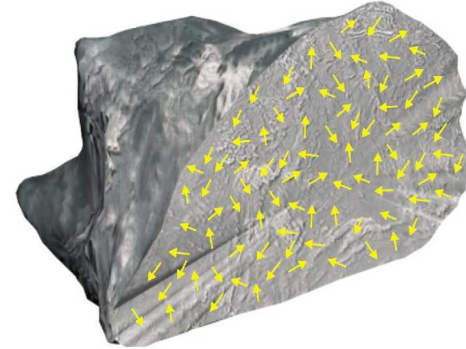
# phase transition: ferromagnetism $\rightarrow$ paramagnetism

restoration of full rotational symmetry



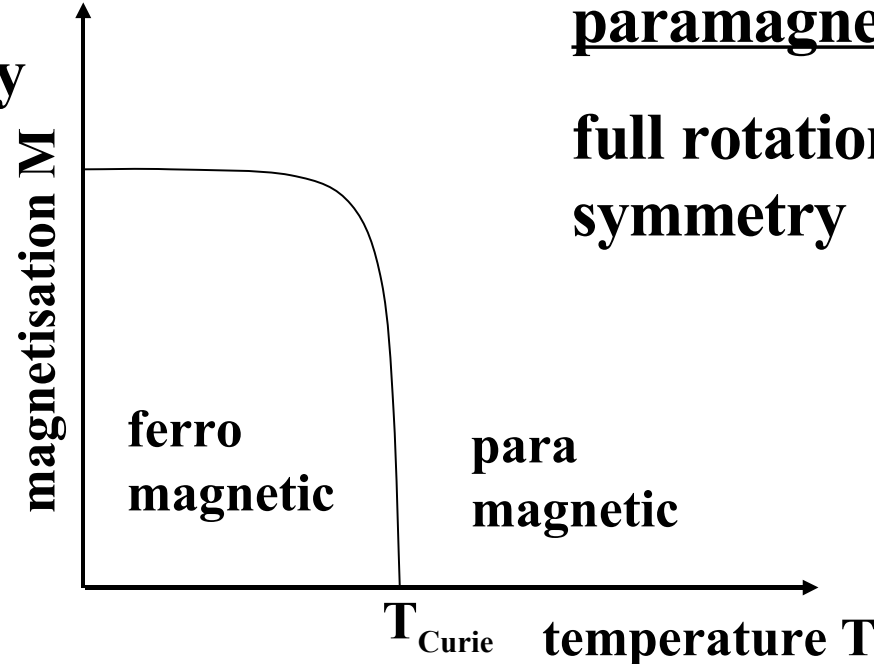
ferromagnetic:

rotational symmetry  
about 1 axis



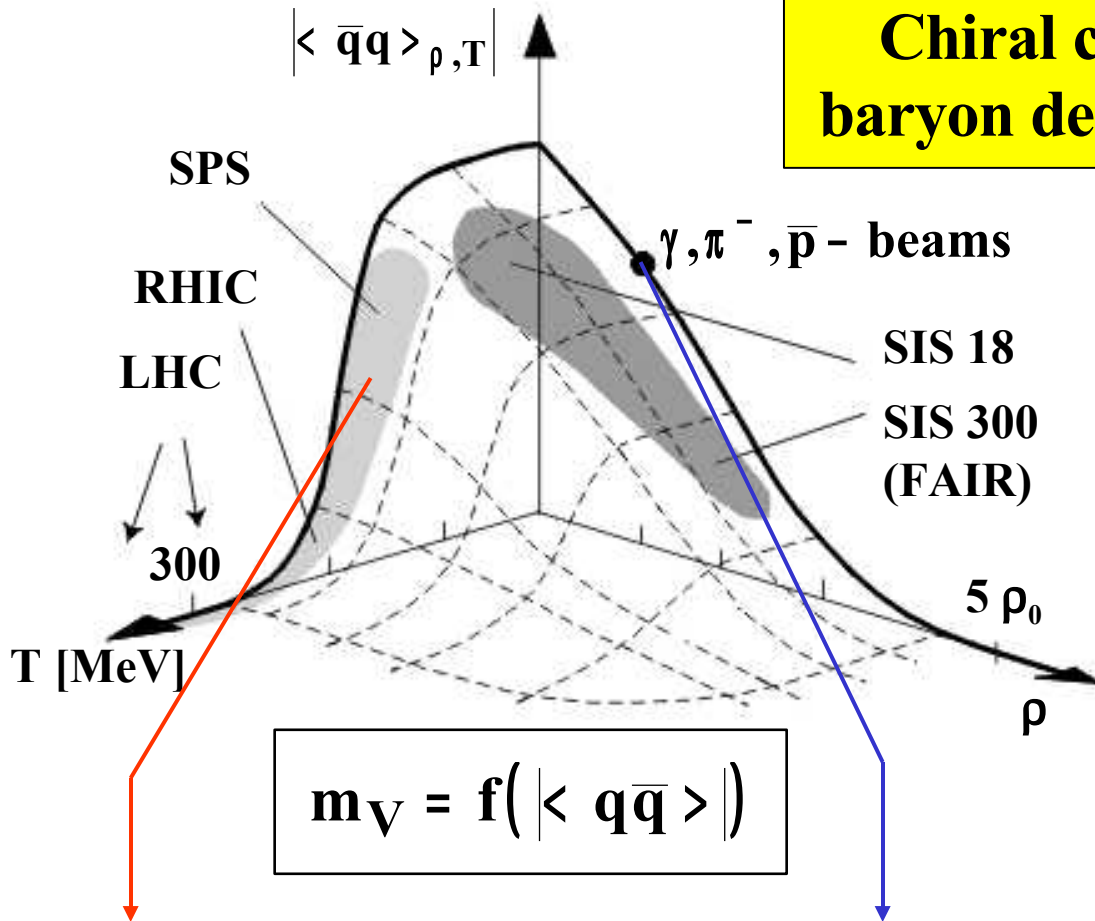
paramagnetic:

full rotational  
symmetry





# Chiral condensate as function of baryon density $\rho_B$ and temperature $T$



NJL - model :

V. Bernard and U.G. Meißner  
Nucl. Phys. A 489 (1988) 647

S. Klimt et al.  
Phys. Lett. B 249 (1990) 386

**partial restoration of  
chiral symmetry ?**

**heavy ion reactions:**

$$AA \rightarrow V + X$$

$$\rightarrow m_V(\rho_B \gg \rho_0; T > 0)$$

**elementary reactions:**

$$\gamma, \pi \quad A \rightarrow V + X$$

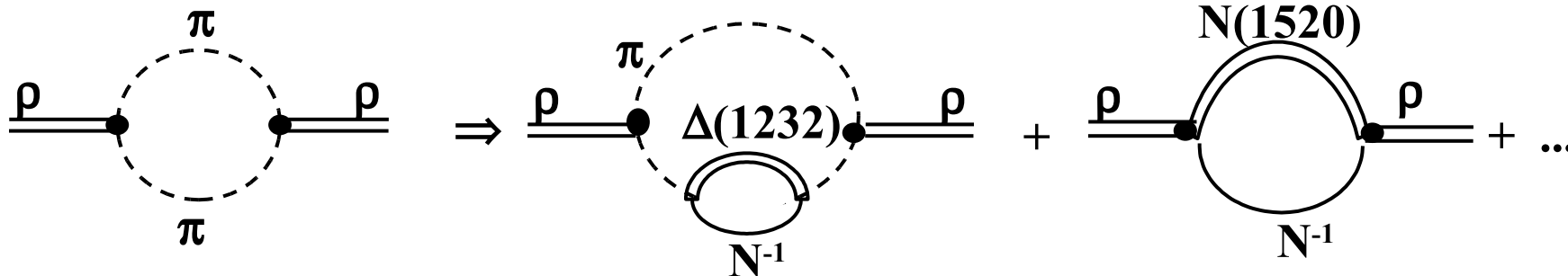
$$\rightarrow m_V(\rho_B = \rho_0; T = 0)$$

**medium modifications of vector mesons in**  
heavy ion reactions and elementary processes

in vacuum

# In-medium modifications through hadronic many body effects

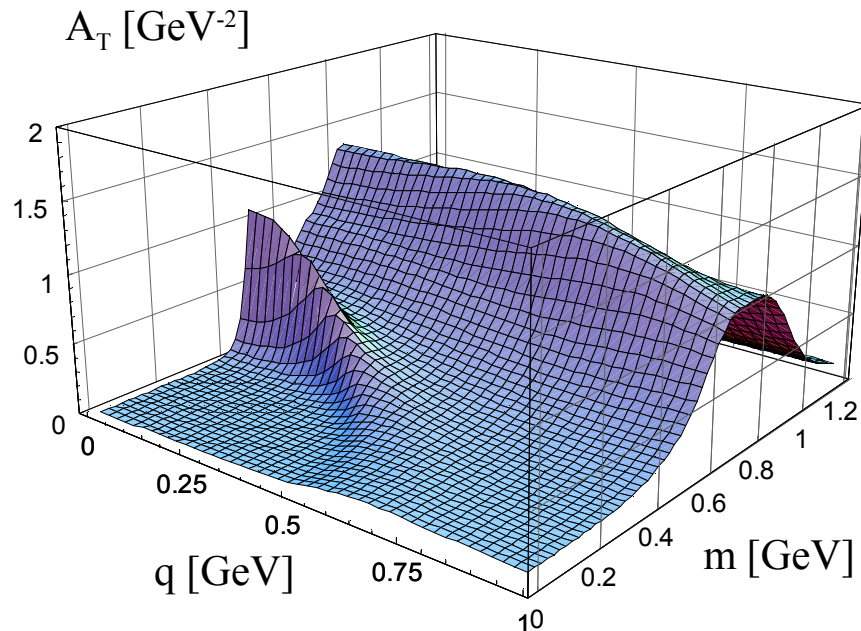
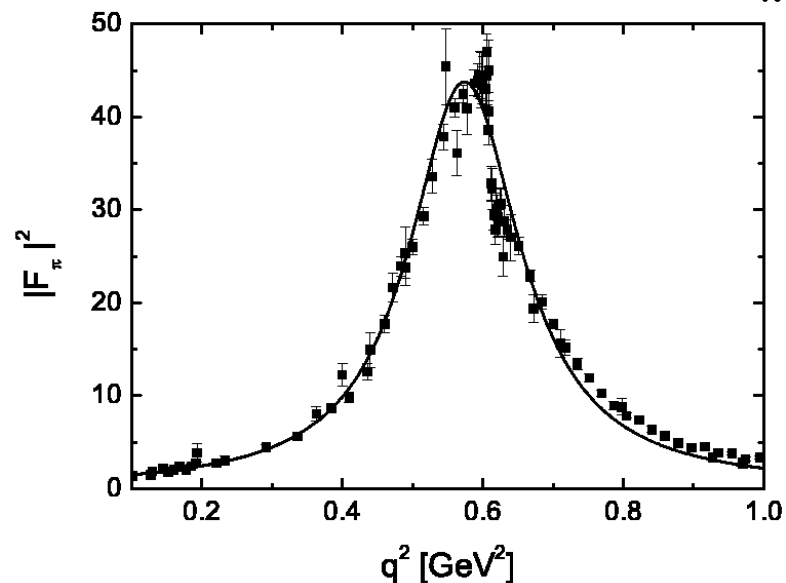
in medium



propagator:  $D = \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 - \Pi_{\text{vac}}} \Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 - \Pi_{\text{vac}} - \Pi_{\text{med}}}$

spectral function:  $= \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im } D$

M. Post et al., nucl-th/0309085



# Link between hadronic and QCD-description: QCD sum rules

hadronic side

QCD -side

$$\frac{Q^2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{\Im m\Pi(s)}{s(s+Q^2)} = -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \\ + \frac{m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle}{Q^4} + \frac{1}{24} \frac{\left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \right\rangle}{Q^4} - \frac{112}{81} \alpha_s \pi \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^2}{Q^6} + \dots$$

No direct relation between in medium properties of hadrons and the quark condensate but an indirect one via QCD sum rules

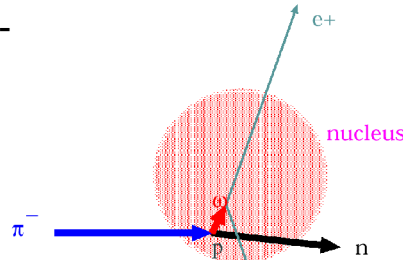
# $\omega$ -mass in nuclei

W. Schön et al.

Act. Phys. Pol. B 27 (96) 2959

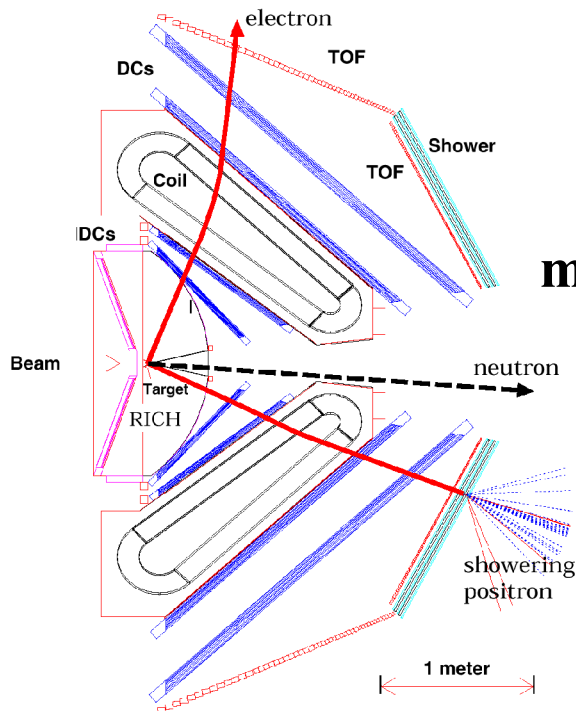
$$\pi p_{\text{bound}} \rightarrow n \omega_{\text{at rest}} \rightarrow n e^+ e^-$$

$$\text{"at rest: } |\vec{p}_\omega| \leq |\vec{p}_F|$$



exp: detect  $e^+e^-$

$$m_\omega = \sqrt{(\sum E_i)^2 - (\sum p_i)^2}$$



**HADES**

M. Effenberger et al.

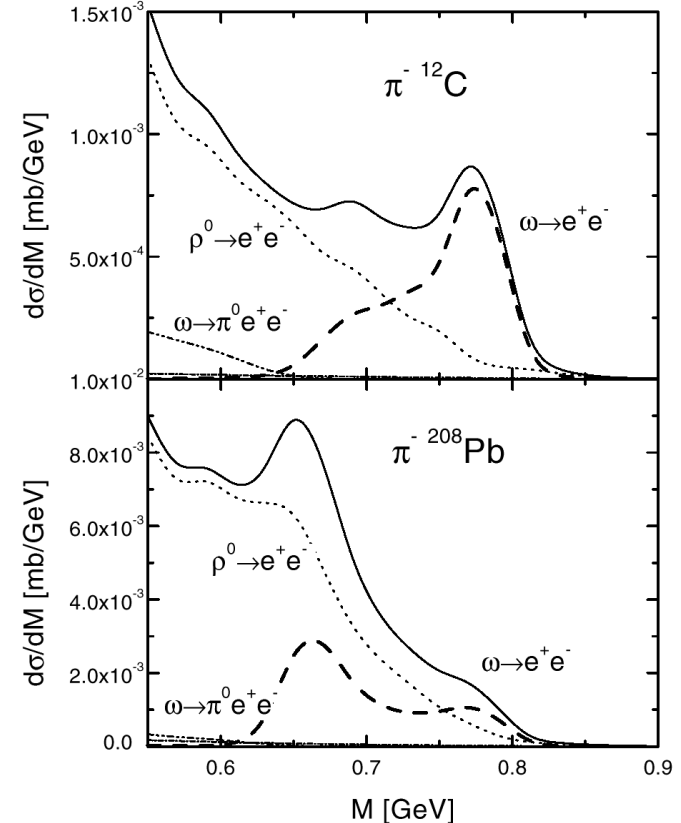
PRC 60 (1999) 044614

expected signal:

$$\pi A \text{ at } p_\pi = 1.3$$

mass split of vector mesons

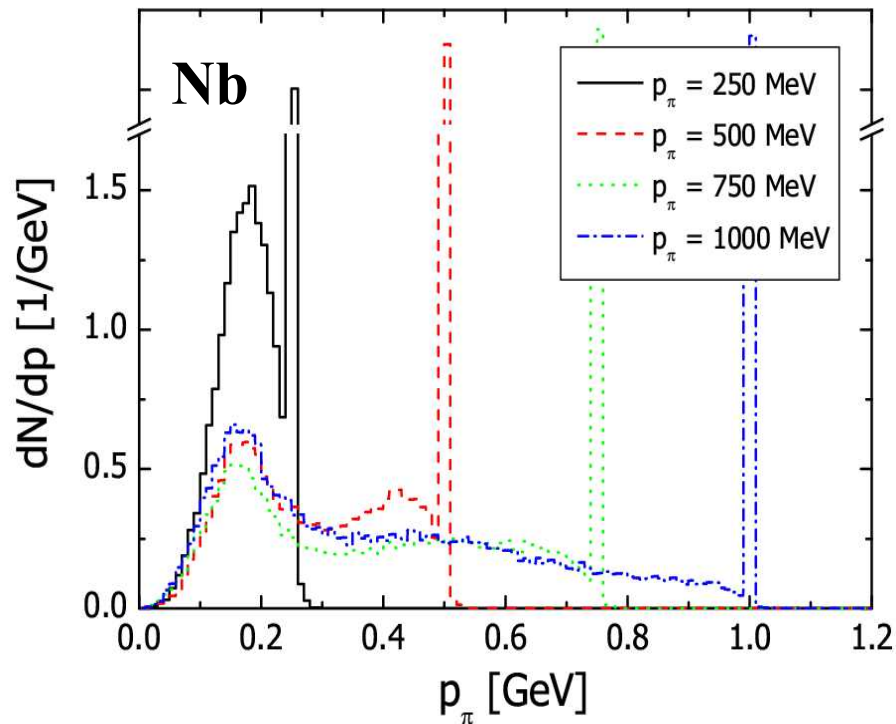
$$E_{\text{kin}} = 1.3 \text{ GeV}, p_{e^+e^-} < 300 \text{ MeV}, \Delta M = 10 \text{ MeV}$$



## Suppression of $\pi^0$ rescattering events

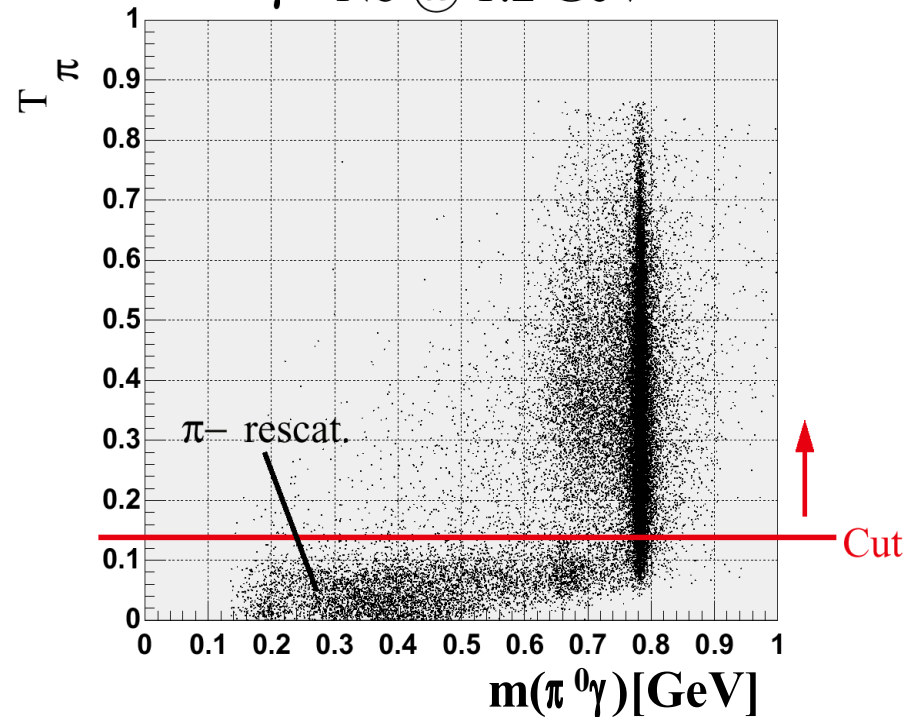
after rescattering  $\pi^0$  kinetic energy below 150 MeV  $\approx$  250 MeV/c  
( $\Delta$ -decay kinematics)  $\Rightarrow$  cut on  $\pi^0$  kinetic energy

P. Mühlich (Giessen)  
nucl-th/0310067



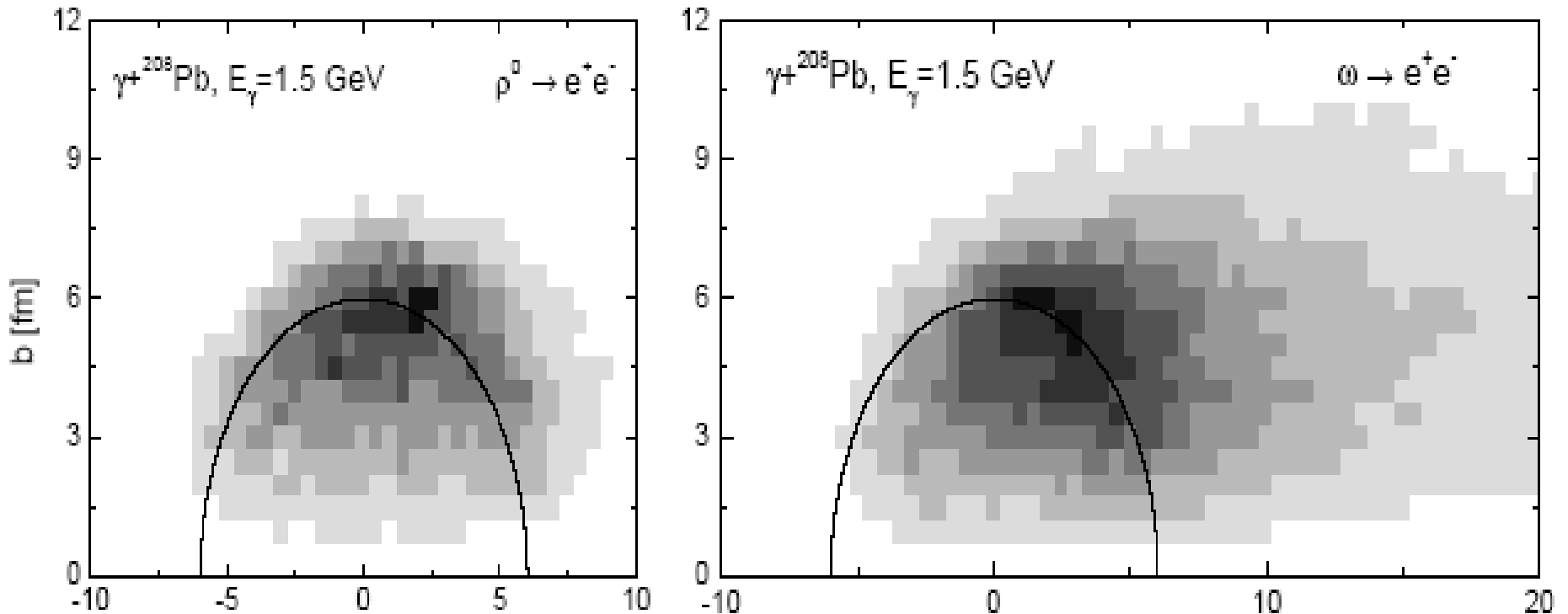
J.G.Messchendorp et al.  
Eur. Phys. J. A11 (2001) 95

$\gamma$ +Nb @ 1.2 GeV



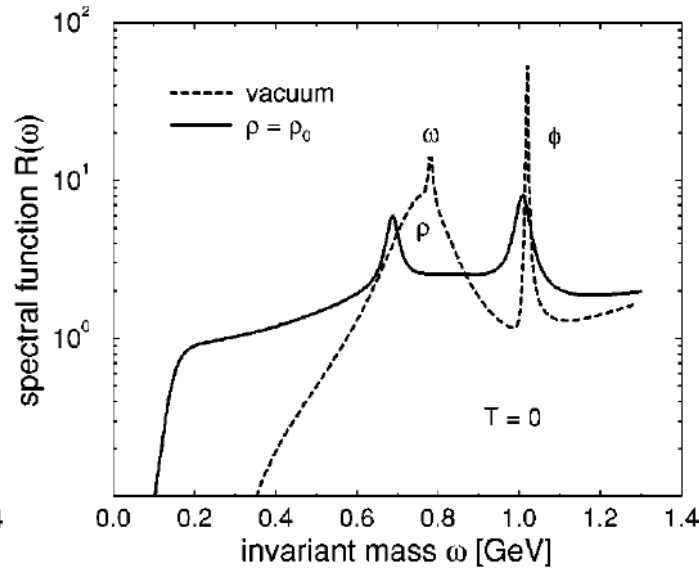
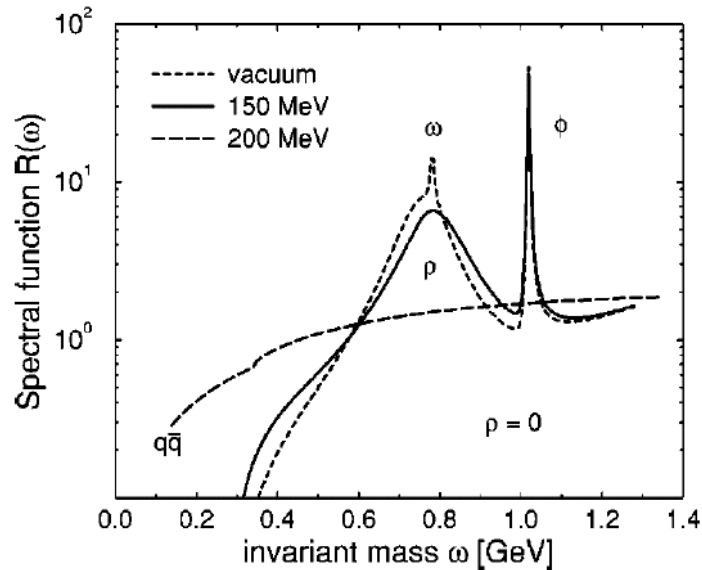
# photoproduction of $\rho$ , $\omega$ mesons off nuclei

distribution of decay sites (M. Effenberger et al.)



a sizable fraction of  $\omega$  mesons decay outside of the nucleus  
average baryon density at  $\omega$  decay points  $\langle \rho \rangle = 0.11 \rho_0$

# theoretical predictions for mass changes of vector mesons in the nuclear medium



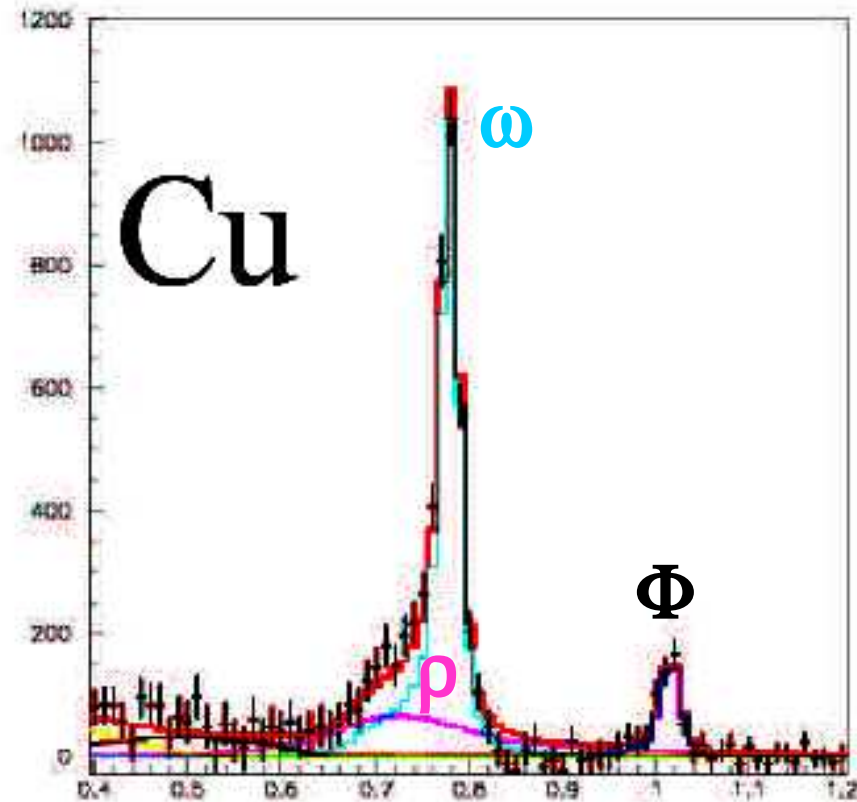
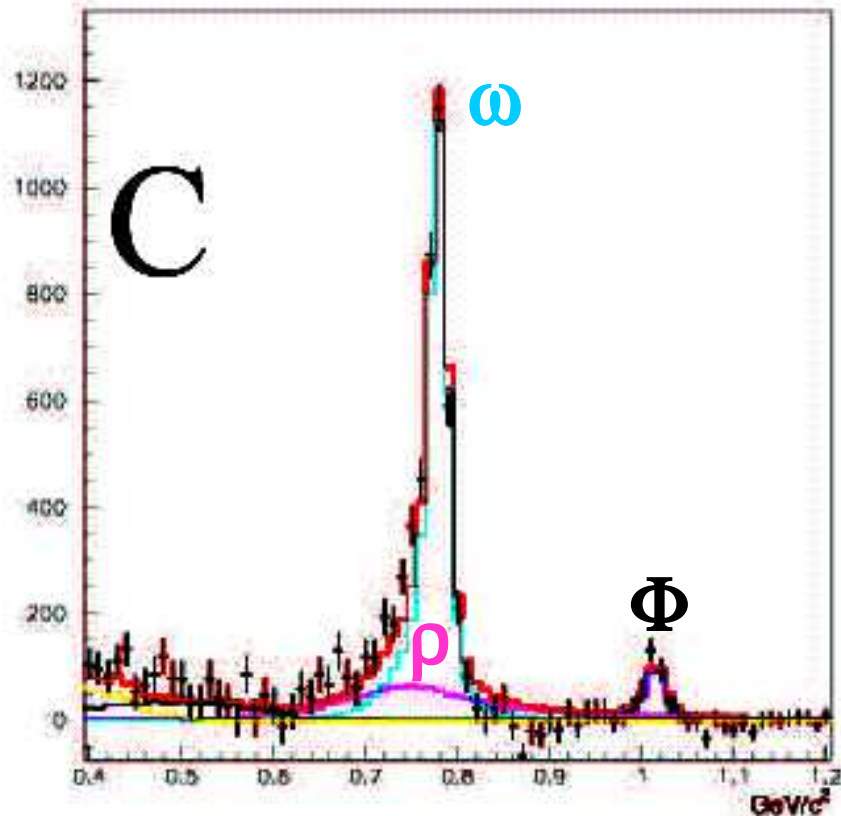
F.Klingl et al.,  
Z.Phys.A356 (1996)193

T. Renk et al.,  
PRC 66 (2002) 014902

- 1.) lowering of in-medium mass
  - 2.) broadening of resonance
- } for  $\rho_B \nearrow$ ,  $T \nearrow$

# $e^+e^-$ invariant mass spectrum from $p \Lambda \rightarrow \rho, \omega, \Phi + X$ at 12 GeV

S. Yokkaichi, Chiral-2005, Japan, KEK-E325



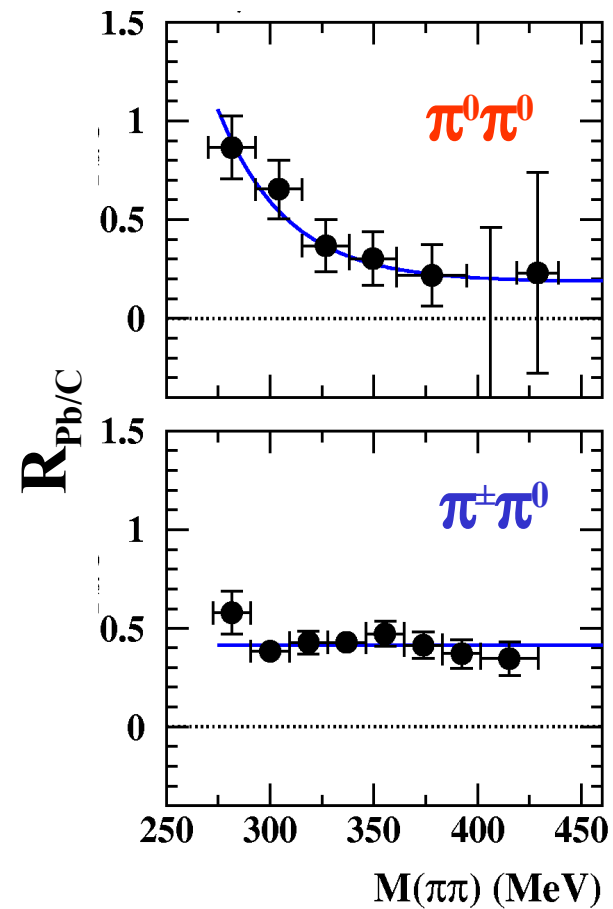
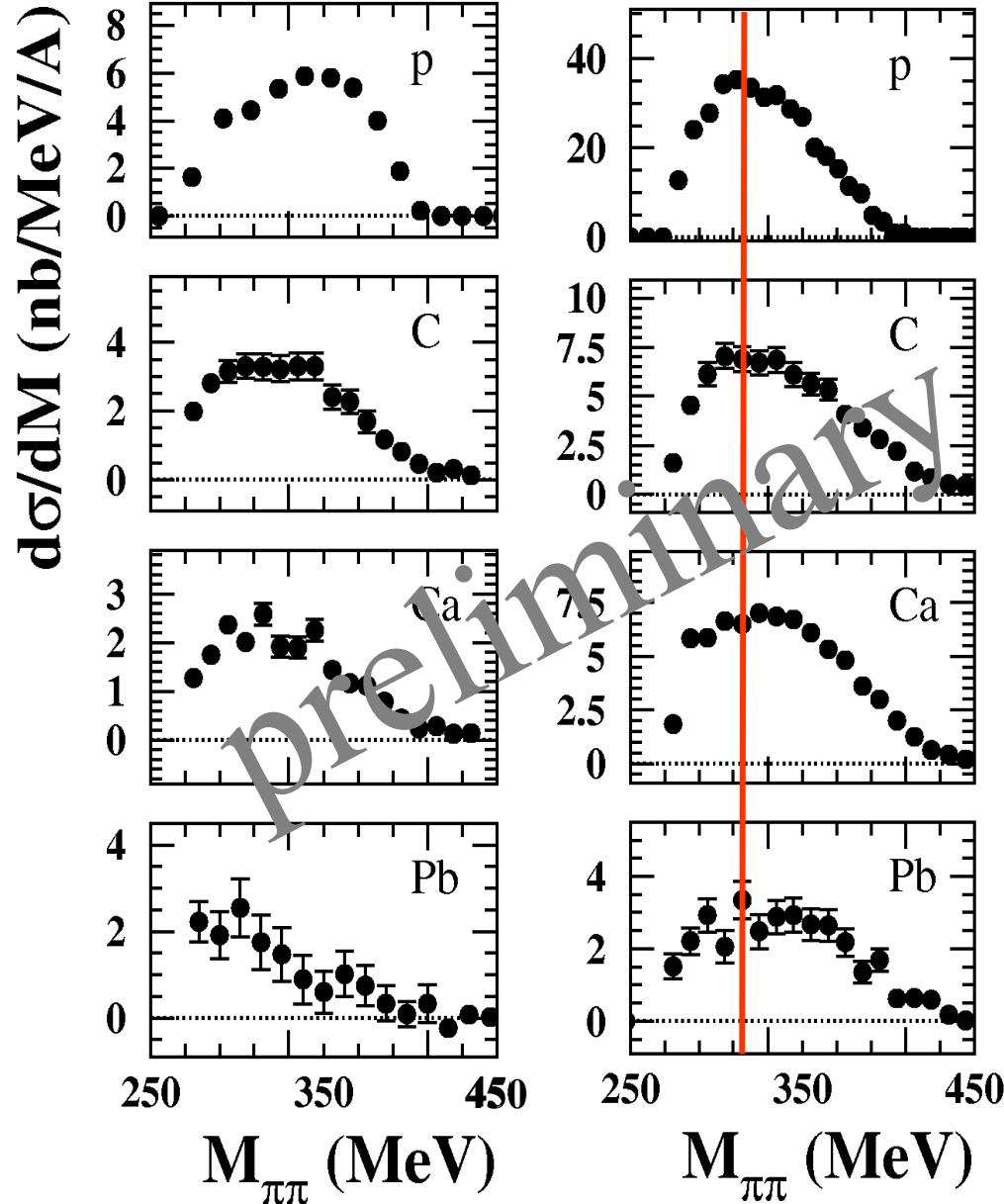
Comparison to model calculation assuming  $m^* = m_0 (1 - 0.10 \rho/\rho_0)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  modification of  $\rho$  ( $\omega$ ) spectral function



$$E_\gamma = 400 - 500 \text{ MeV}$$

**A ( $\gamma, \pi\pi$ )**

$$R_{\text{Pb/C}} = \frac{12 \frac{d\sigma}{dM}(\text{Pb})}{208 \frac{d\sigma}{dM}(\text{C})}$$



mass shift with increasing A  
only observed for  $\pi^0\pi^0$  channel  
J. Messchendorp et al.,  
PRL 89 (2002) 222302