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## Ab-initio calculations of eta-nuclear quasi-bound states

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## **Abstract content**

We report on ongoing studies of in-medium  $\eta$  N interactions and  $\eta$ -nuclear quasi-bound states in few-nucleon systems, accounting self-consistently for the  $\eta N$  and  $\eta$ -nucleus subthreshold dynamics and extending the few-body calculations of  $\eta$  quasi-bound states in <sup>3</sup>He and <sup>4</sup>He [1,2,3]. Our new ab-initio self-consistent calculations of the lightest  $\eta$ -nuclear systems, including for the first time  $_{\eta}^{6}$  Li and  $_{\eta}^{7}$ Li, were performed within the Stochastic Variational Method. Input  $\eta N$  scattering amplitudes for these calculations were constructed within coupled-channel meson-baryon interaction models that incorporate the  $N^*(1535)$  resonance. It was found that the  $\eta d$  system is not bound in any of the models considered, and  $_{\eta}^{3}$ He and  $_{\eta}^{4}$ He are likely to be nearly or just bound [1,2,3], while  $_{\eta}^{6}$ Li and  $_{\eta}^{7}$ Li are bound. The connection between our few-body calculations and optical-model calculations in heavier systems [4,5] will be discussed as well.

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