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Light dark matter detection in the lab: new tools and new ideas

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I will discuss some possible avenues to hunt for sub-GeV dark matter in the lab. Specifically, for dark matter in the MeV to GeV range, I will discuss the possibility of employing the so-called Migdal effect in semiconductors. For dark matter in the keV to MeV range, instead, I will discuss the possibility of taking advantage of collective excitations in superfluid He-4 and anti-ferromagnets. In all these instances, I will show how the most convenient way of tackling the problem is through an effective field theory approach.

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