



R&D ACTIVITIES ON SCINTILLATORS IN CRYSTAL CLEAR COLLABORATION (RD18)

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History of RD18

Crystal Clear collaboration



- Initiated @CERN in 1990 by P. Lecoq
- Approved in April 1991 by DRDC @ CERN for R&D for future LHC detectors
- **Initial Aim:** Develop scintillating materials suitable for use at the future LHC collider.

After 4 years of extensive studies of several crystals

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**R&D PROPOSAL FOR THE STUDY OF
 NEW FAST AND RADIATION HARD SCINTILLATORS
 FOR CALORIMETRY AT LHC**

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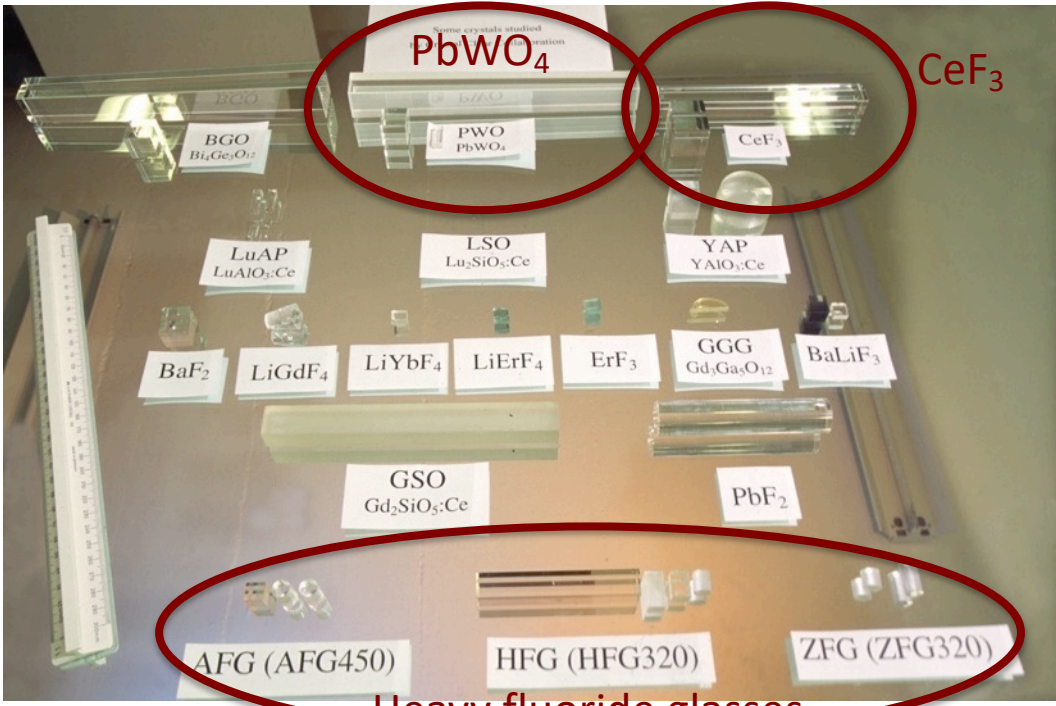
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Abstract

In the recent past, several scintillating crystals have been developed and mass produced for large high resolution electromagnetic calorimeters, such as NaI, CsI, and BGO. In the new generation of ee and pp colliders, the very high design luminosities bring new constraints on the crystals: they must have a fast response, higher resistance to radiation, and be as dense as possible for calorimeter compactness. From our systematic studies of scintillation properties and radiation damage mechanisms in scintillators, several fluoride crystals or glasses should have the wanted properties. The purpose of this R&D program is to study these materials and the conditions of their mass production in order to find the best suited scintillator for calorimetry at future colliders.



Heavy fluoride glasses

Choice of PWO crystal



for 2 LHC experiments in 1994

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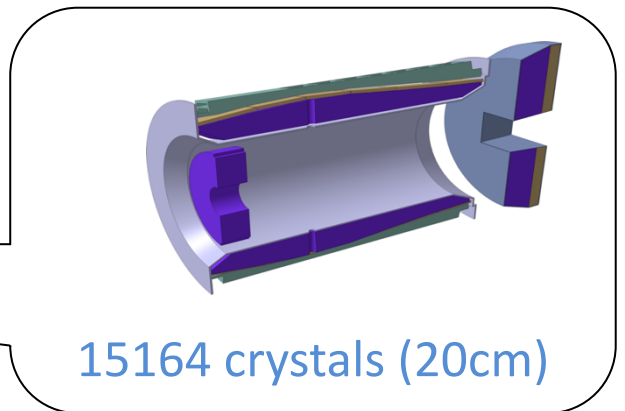
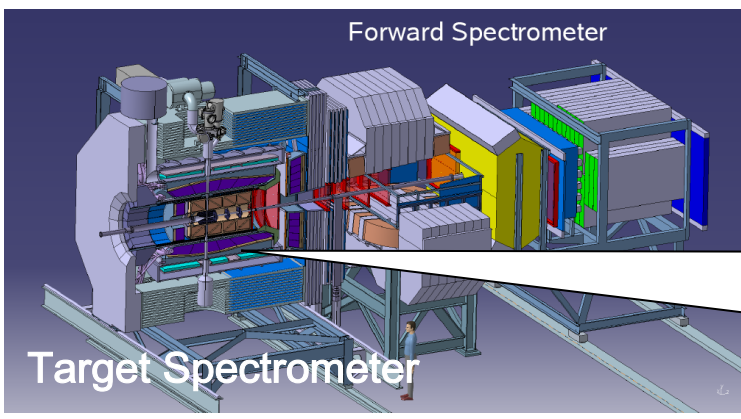
ALICE :17920 crystals (18 cm)

75848 crystals (23/22cm)



Alice

Later for Panda at Fair (GSI) :



15164 crystals (20cm)



Today: after 30 years

CCC: 31 institutes all over the world, mainly in Europe

In last years involved in many European projects:
EndoTOFPET, PICOSEC_MCNet, TICAL, AIDA2020, ASCIMAT, Intelum, FAST, ATTRACT,
Recently: AIDAnova, IPR CNRS project : ScintLab



Broad expertise

Scintillators

Crystal growth

Photo-detection

Electronics

Detector design and implementation

Today main CCC activities:

- Generic R&D on inorganic scintillators:
 - Scintillation mechanism, timing properties, radiation hardness
 - Novel crystal production technologies (eg: calorimeter concepts based on fibers)
 - Multifunctional scintillator systems
- Generic R&D activities on photo-detectors
- Several applications (focus on HEP and medical imaging)
- Bring together the scintillator community since 1992:

SCINT Conferences and Schools

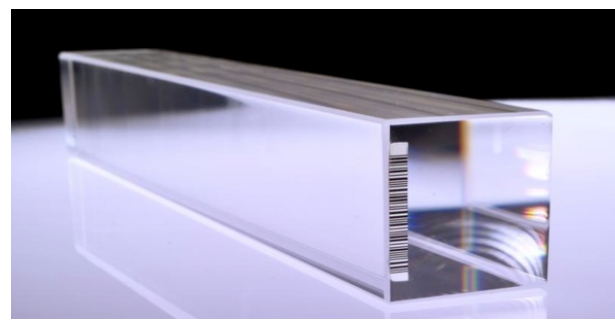


Development of crystal fibers allows for flexibility in the calorimeter design

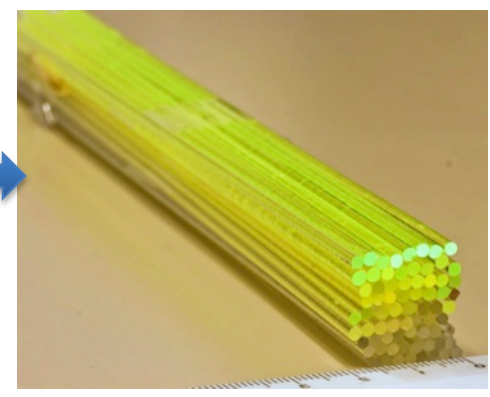
Homogeneous calorimeter

=> Requires large volume of fibers with high density

From bulk crystal



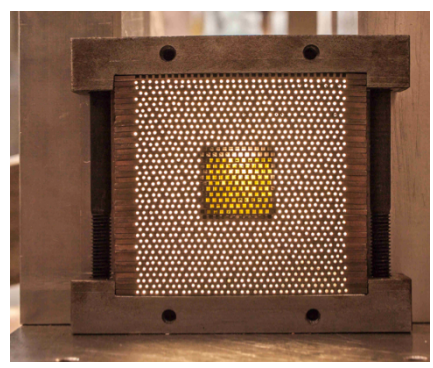
To bloc of fibers



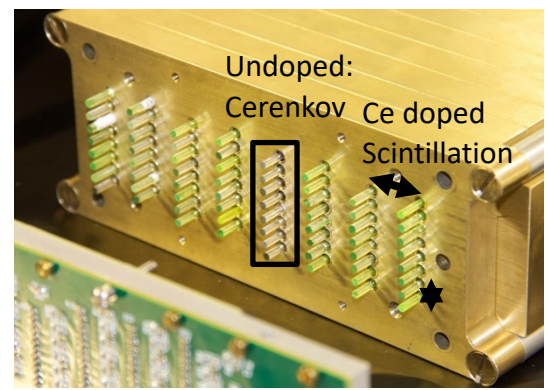
Sampling calorimeter

=> requires less fibers, possibility to use materials with lower density

Pointing Fibers : SPACAL

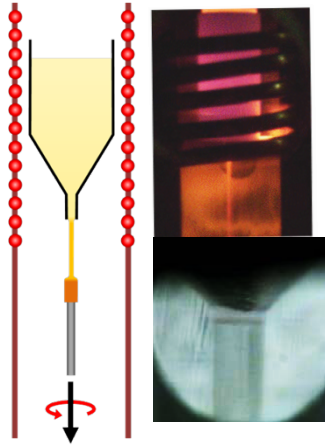


Layers of crystal fibers

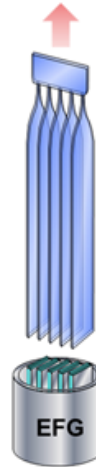


Could be multifunctional: mixed type of fibers
Cerenkov + scintillation + neutrons sensitive
Could play on sampling fraction

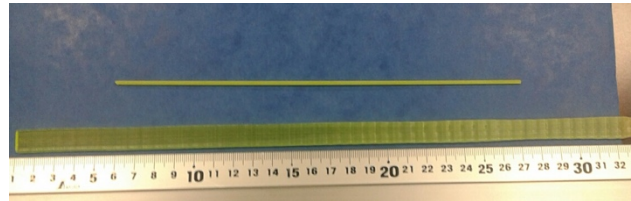
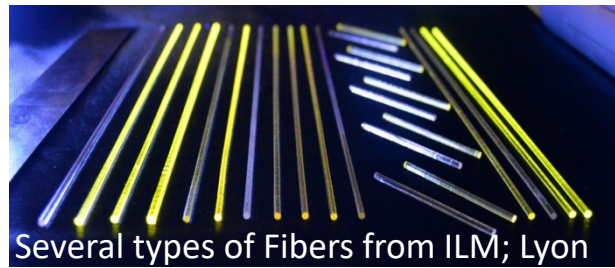
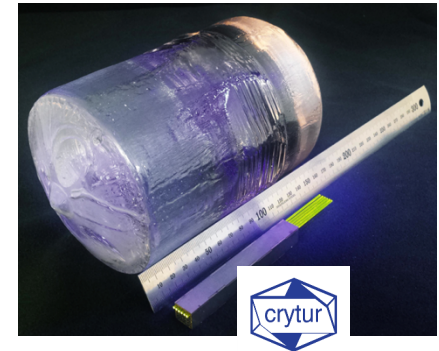
Micropulling down technique



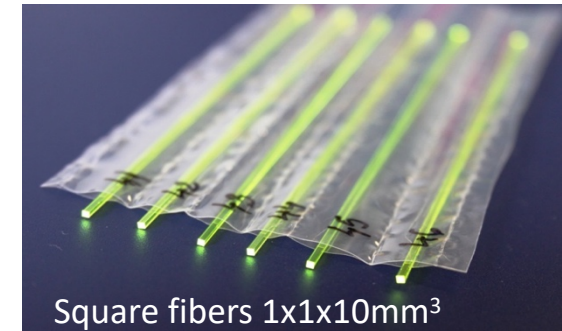
EFG



Czochralski method Cut from large ingot



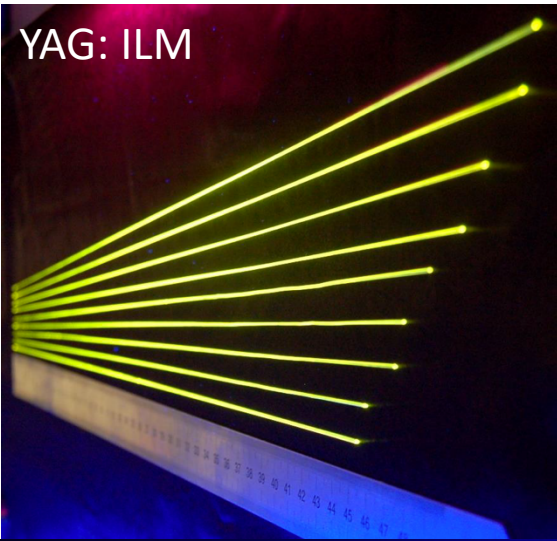
EFG-grown plate & fiber of LuAG:Ce from Adamant Namiki Co , Japan



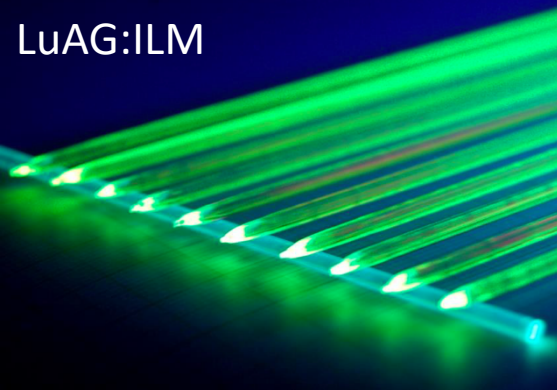
Square fibers 1x1x10mm³

⇒ Feasibility study: in an ANR project INFHINI (ILM Lyon, CERN) and Intelum project (European Rise grant 644260) with 16 Partners (many from CCC) from 12 different countries: 11 academia and 5 companies

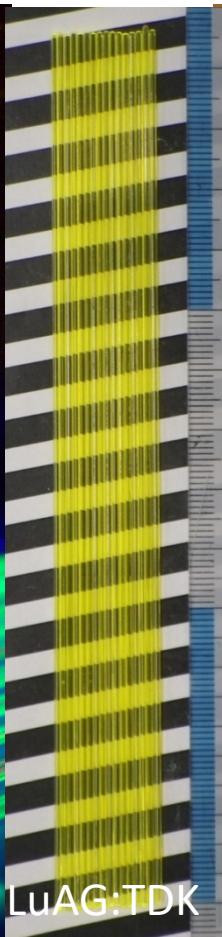
Garnet production



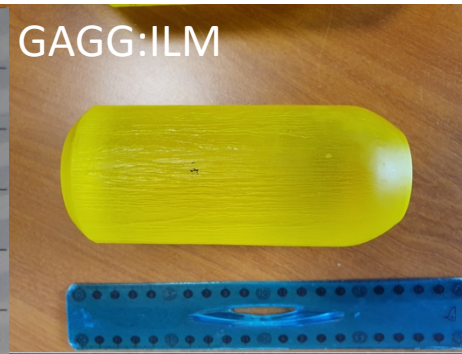
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LuAG:ILM



LuAG:TDK



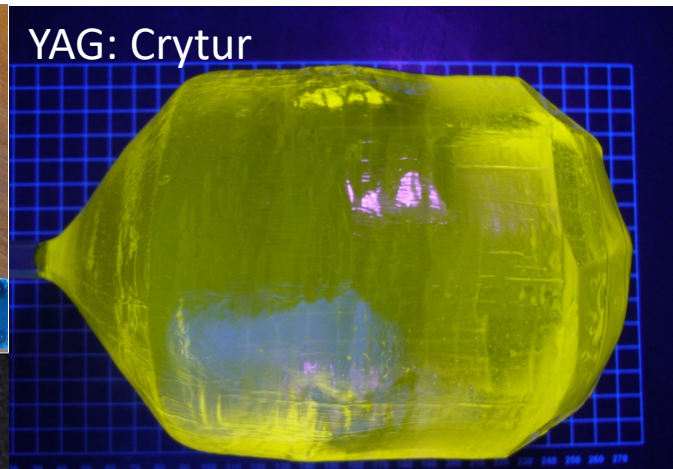
GAGG:ILM



GAGG: FOMOS



GAGG: C&A



YAG: Crytur



GAGG: Yurigyoko

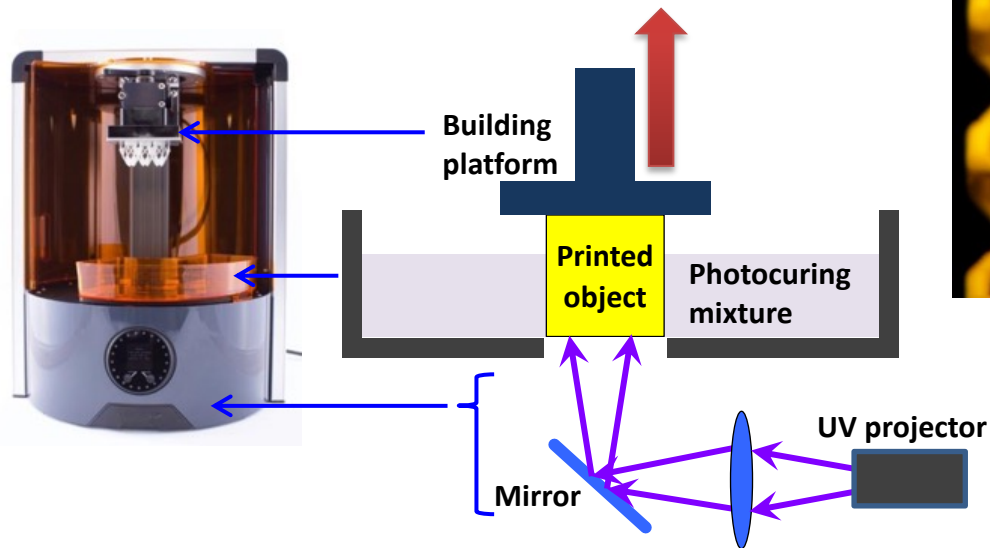


YAG: Namiki

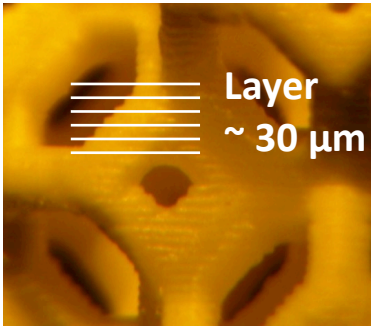
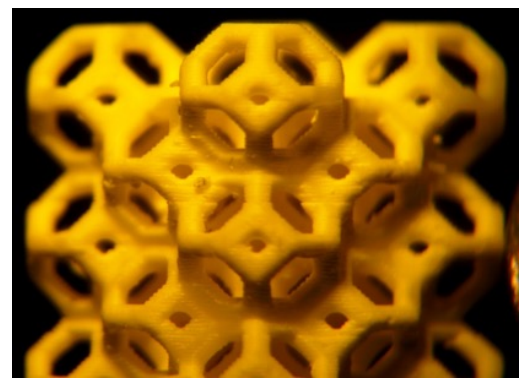


New production method: 3D printing

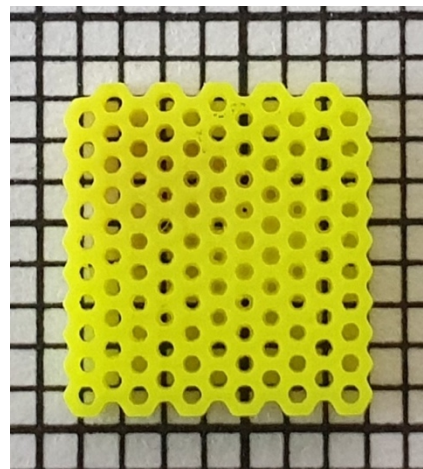
A way to design detector with unconventional shape



Printing is done layer-by-layer
 Voxel size is $\sim 50 \times 50 \times 10-50 \mu\text{m}$

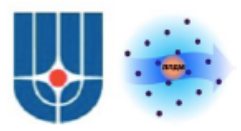


YAG



YAGG

Hole $\varnothing < 400 \mu\text{m}$



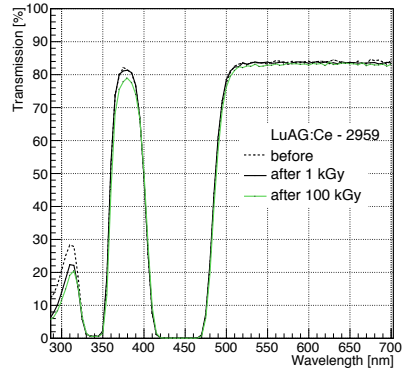
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Radiation hardness of garnet scintillators

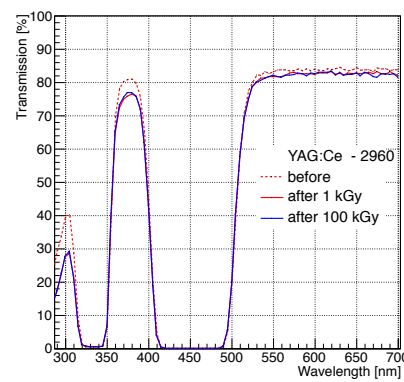
Very Good radiation tolerance under gamma & proton radiations

Gamma

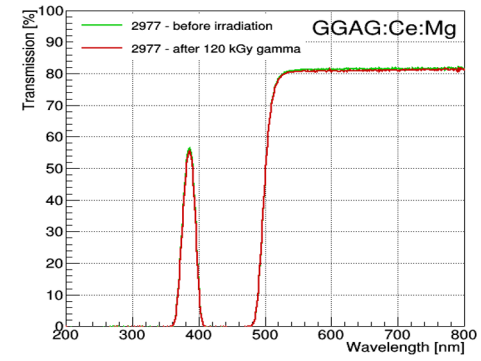
LuAG



YAG

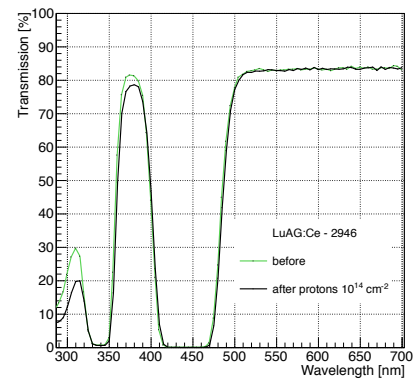


GAGG

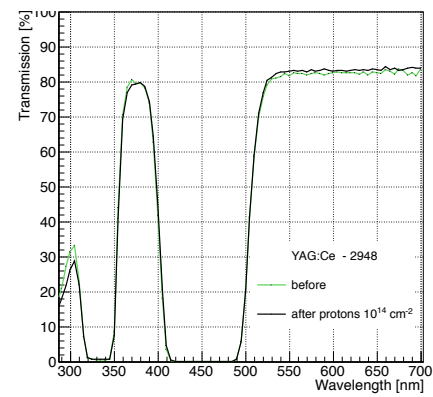


protons

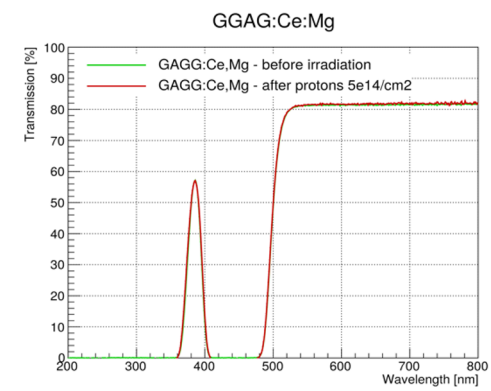
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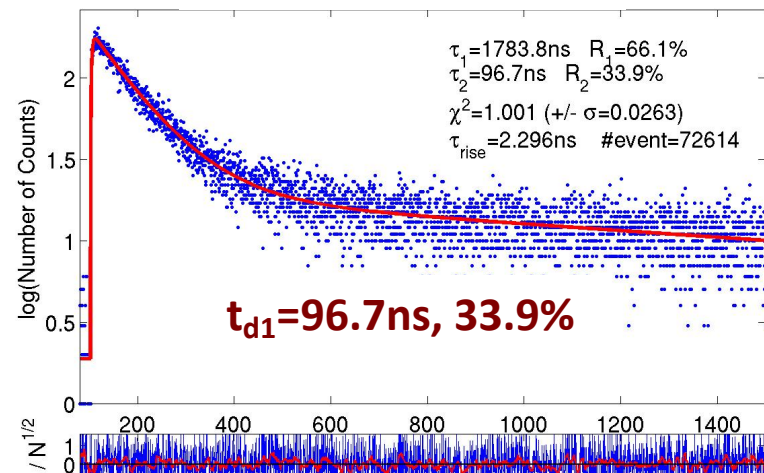
GGAG:Ce:Mg



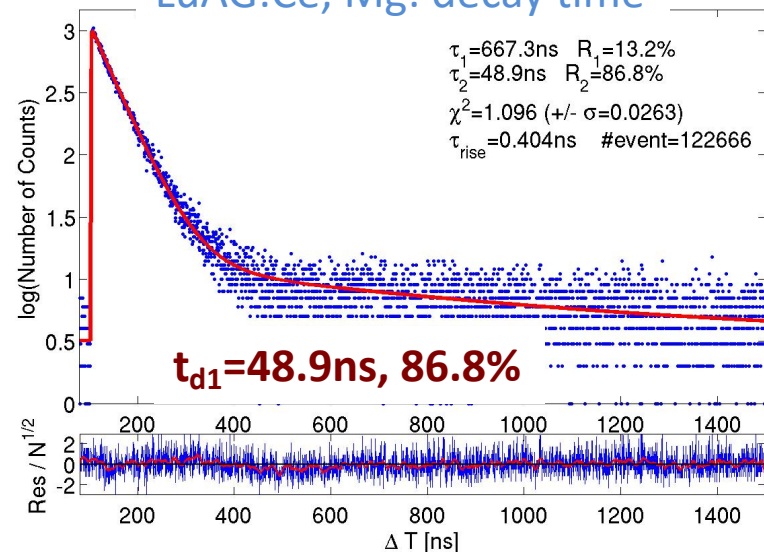
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Improvement of timing properties in garnet crystals

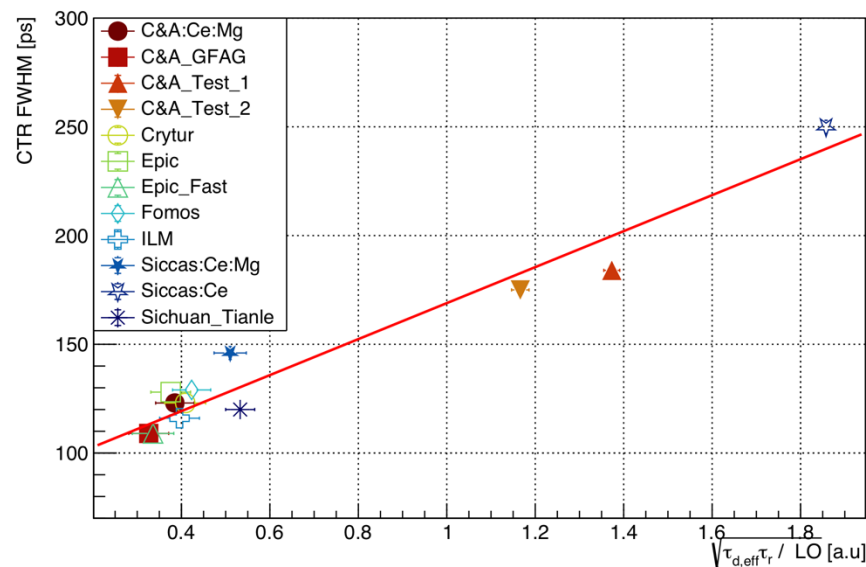
LuAG:Ce: decay time



LuAG:Ce, Mg: decay time



Time resolution @ 511 KeV versus photon density of various GAGG samples from various producers



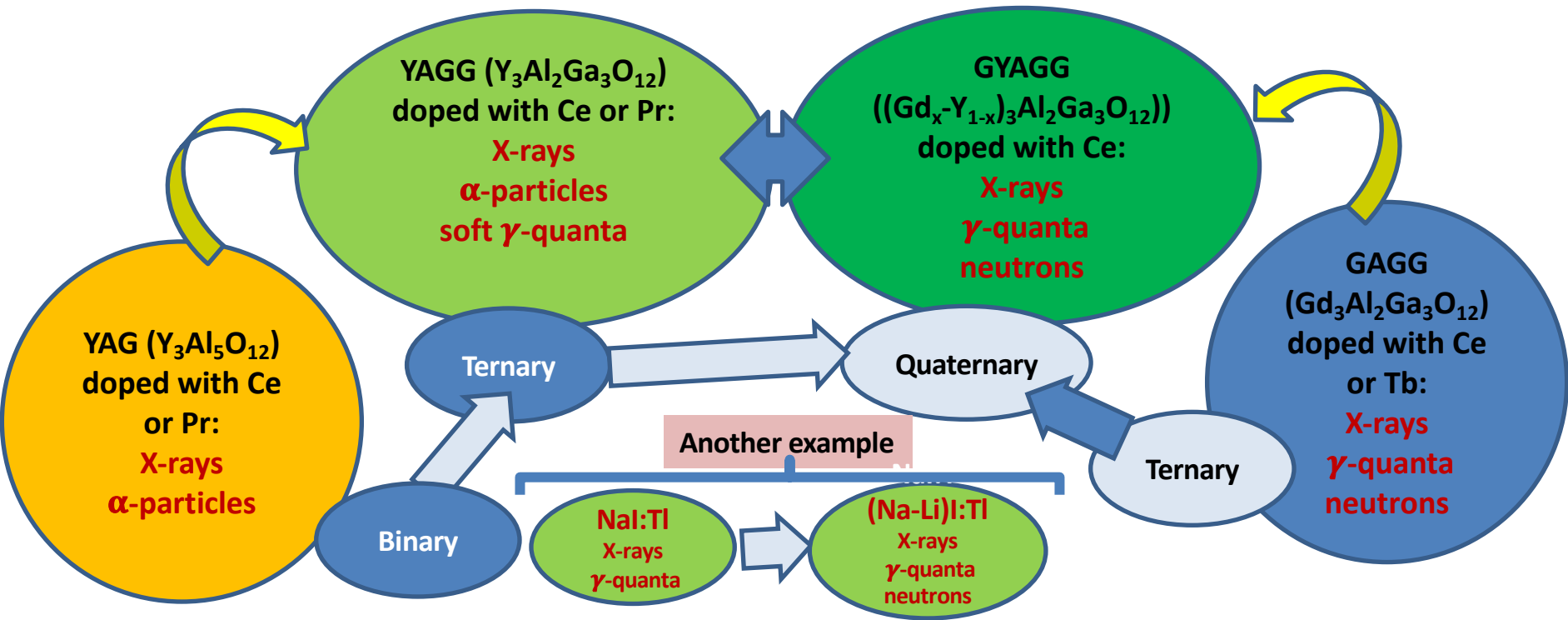
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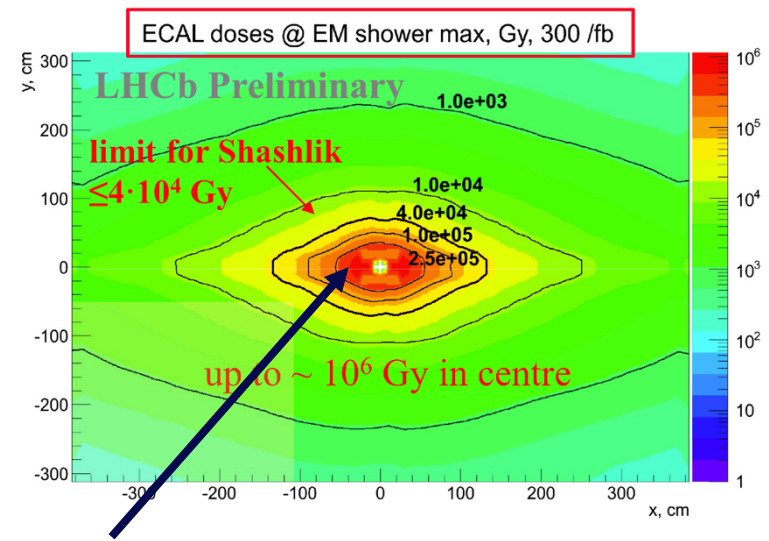
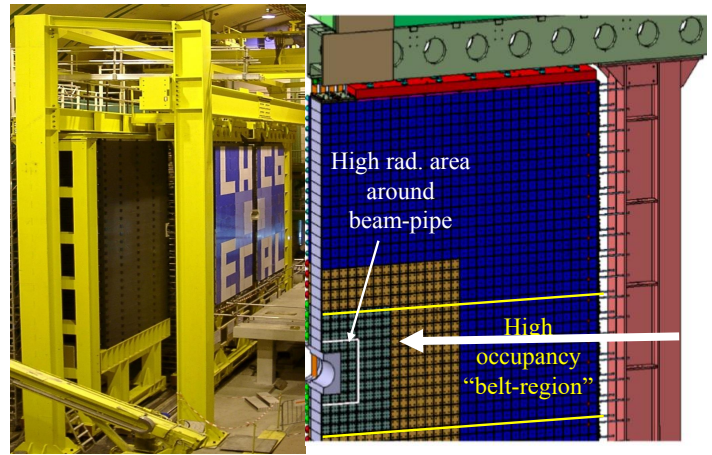
Concept of multipurpose scintillation materials

Possibility with garnet material to modify crystal composition
=> the detection of different kinds of the ionizing radiation



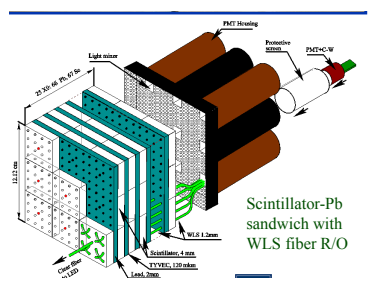
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Potential use of Crystal fibers for LHCb upgrade phase II



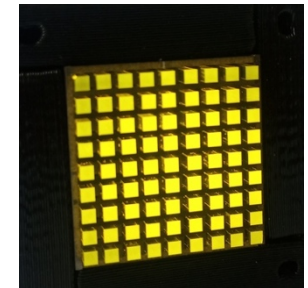
Shashlik ("skewer") technology:

- 4mm thick plastic scintillating tiles (white)
- 2mm thick Pb tiles (blue)
- WLS bers running through the tiles



High radiation level in central Part
 Need to replace shashlik in central part
 => Crystals.

=>R&D on SPACAL design with garnet fibers



See for instance L. Martinazolli, IEEE NS (2020), 67, 6, 1003-1008, doi:432 10.1109/TNS.2020.2975570
 M. Pizzichemi, CHEF 2019.
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SPACAL R&D with garnet fibers & Tungsten



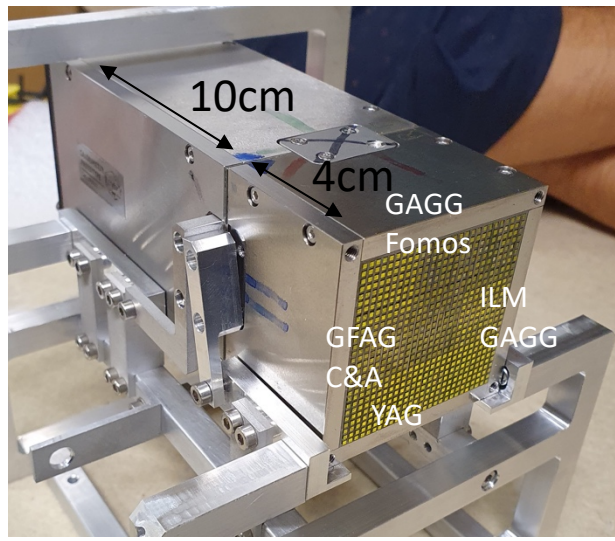
In frame of EP-RD WG3 calorimetry and in collaboration with LHCb:



Aim:

- Sustain radiation doses of up to $\sim 1\text{MGy}$ & $\leq 6 \cdot 10^{15}\text{cm}^{-2}$ for 1MeV neq/cm^2 at 300 fb^{-1}
- Increase granularity
- Energy resolution of order $\sigma(E)/E \sim 10\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 1\%$
- Very fast timing component of few $\vartheta(10)$ ps for pile-up mitigation

SPACAL Prototype with various garnet fibers tested in DESY Nov20220



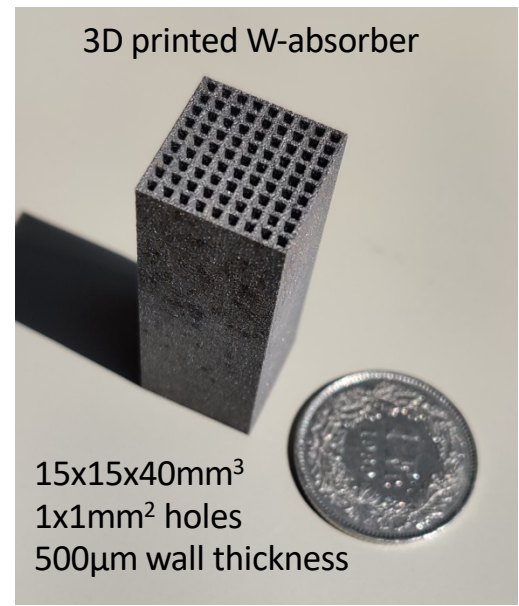
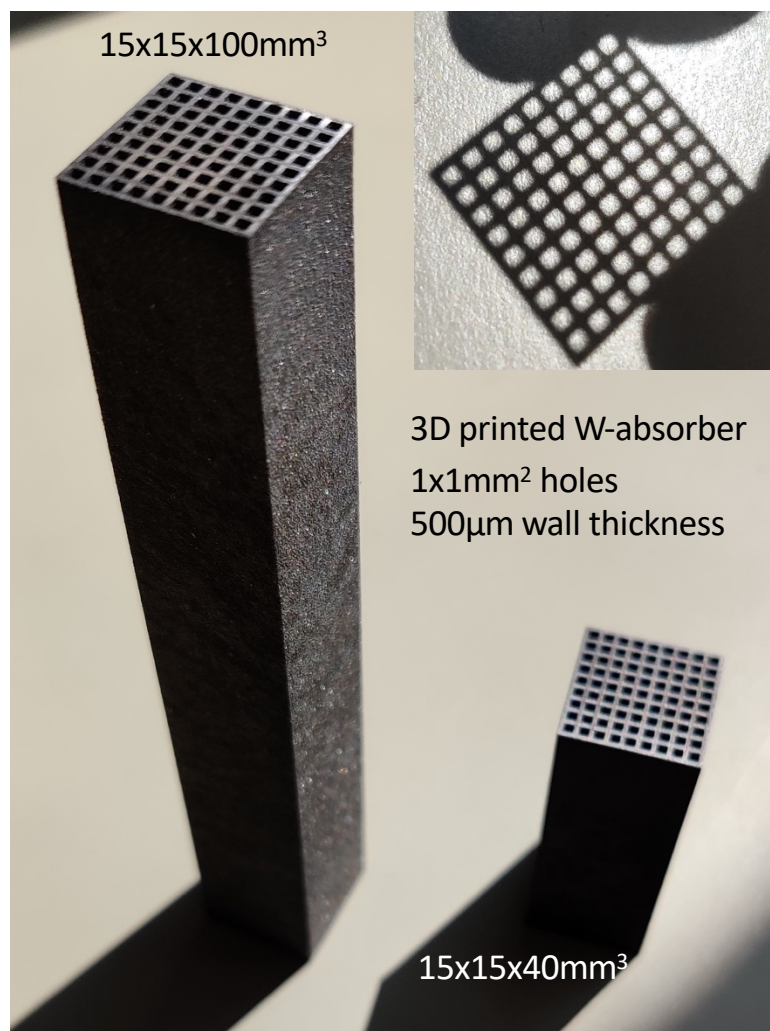
9-cells of $1.5 \times 1.5\text{cm}^2$ with GAGG an YAG fibers in W-absorber

Analysis on going: preliminary results very encouraging



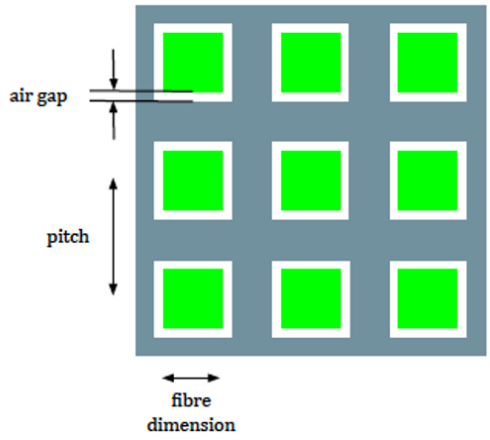
Development of 3D printing W

3d printing W absorber developed for SPACAL R&D in frame of EP R&D and LHCb

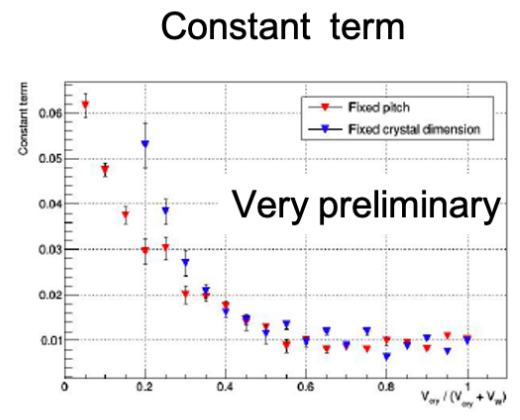
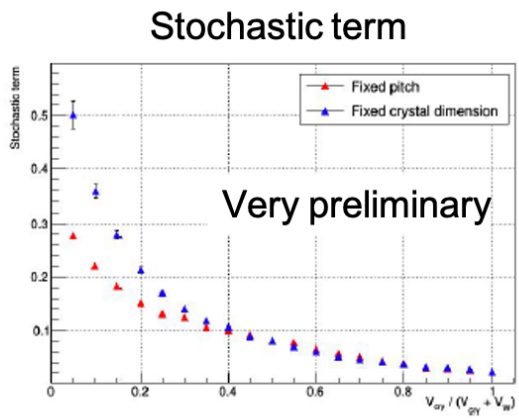


Flexibility of SPACAL geometry

Study with:
Pitch fixed at 1.67 mm, crystal dimension variable;
Pitch variable, crystal dimension fixed at 1.00 mm.



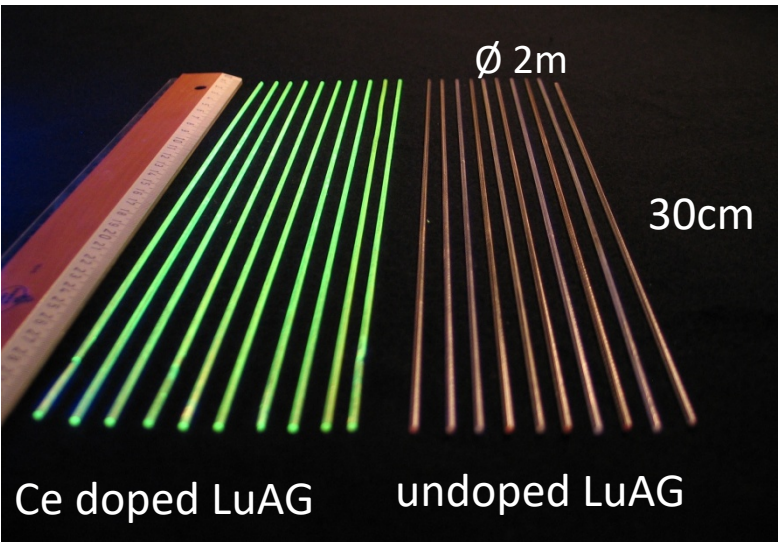
GAGG fibers/W absorber



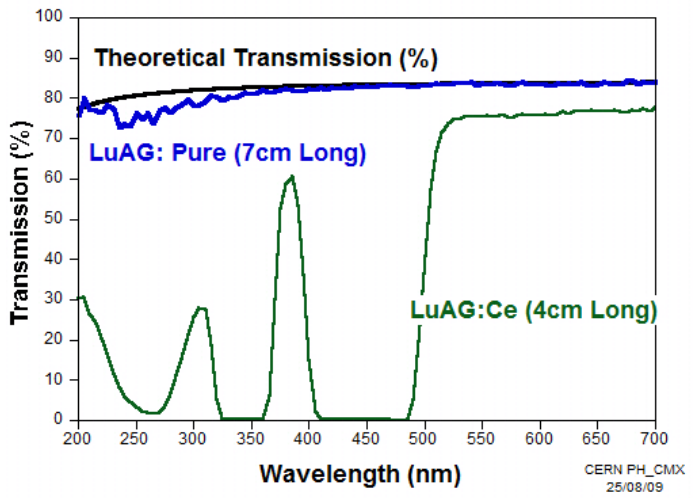
R. Cala, M. Pizzichemi, E. Auffray preliminary results

Optimisation of sampling fraction => optimisation of energy resolution

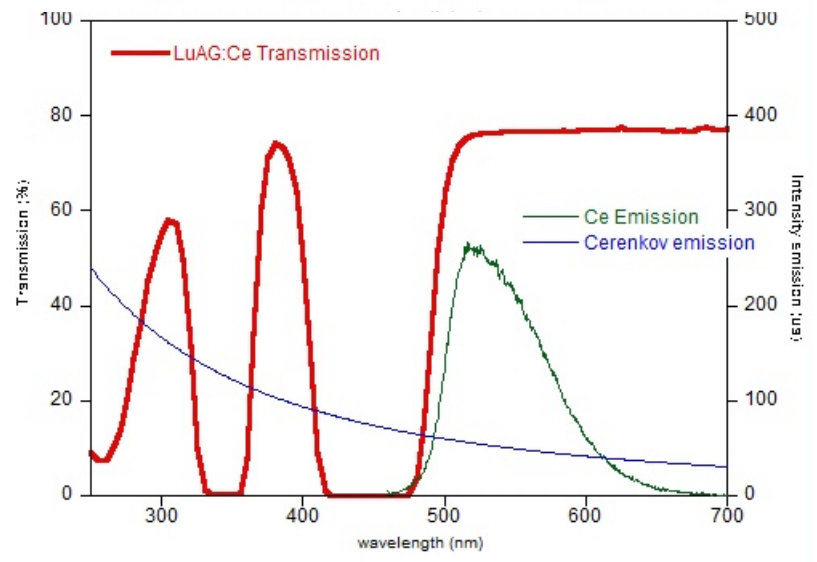
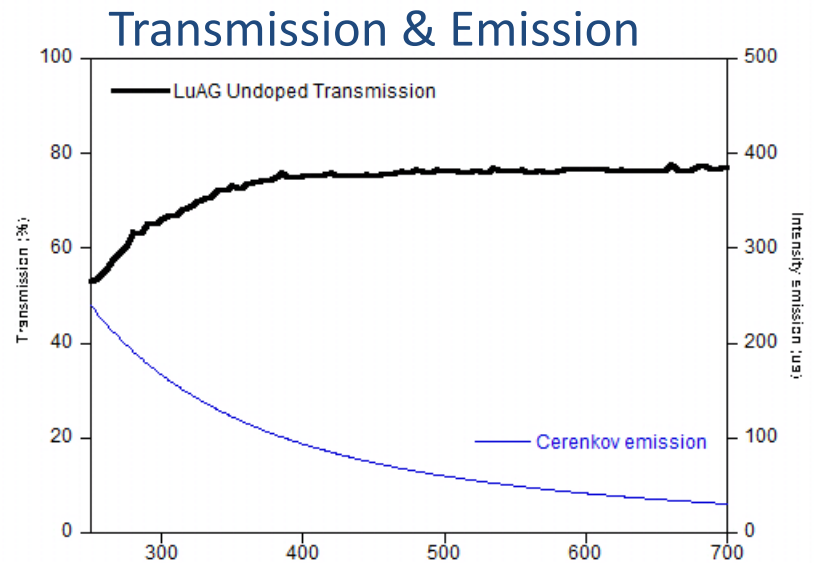
Dual readout with crystal fibers



Fibercryst (spin of from ILM), France

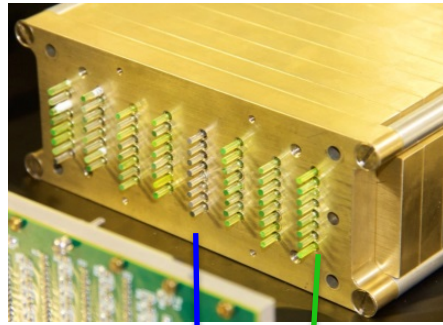
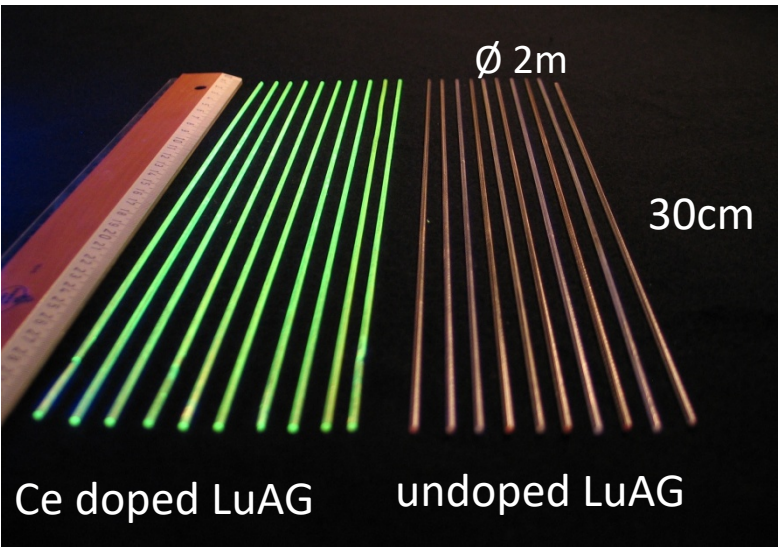


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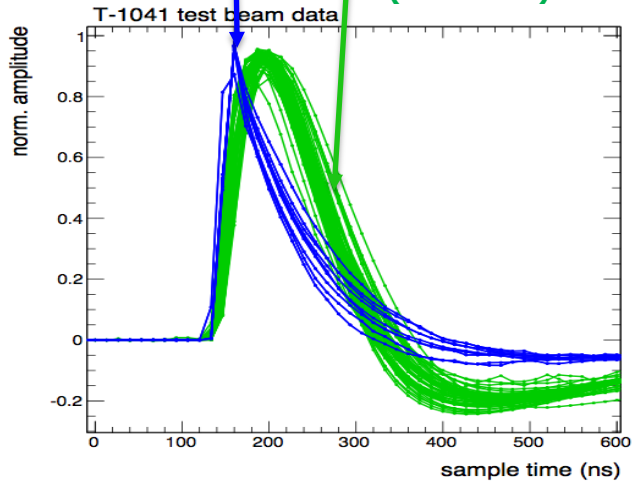
Measured on sample of 2x2x8mm from A. Petrosyan

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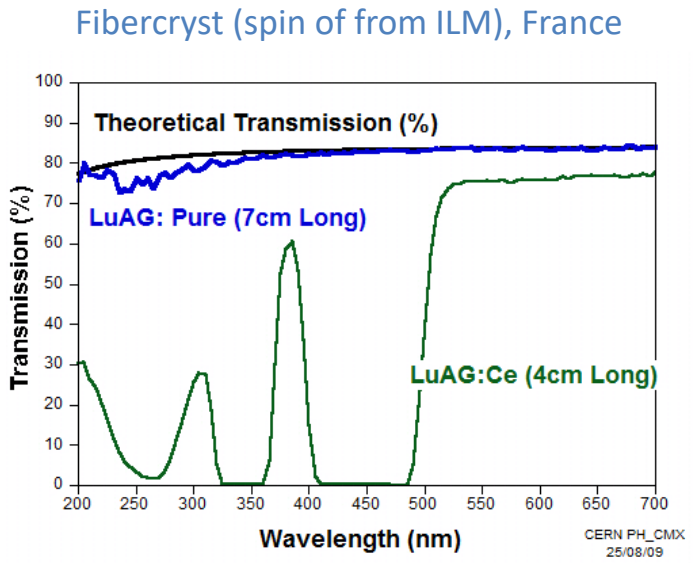


Cerenkov (LuAG)

Scintillation (LuAG:Ce)

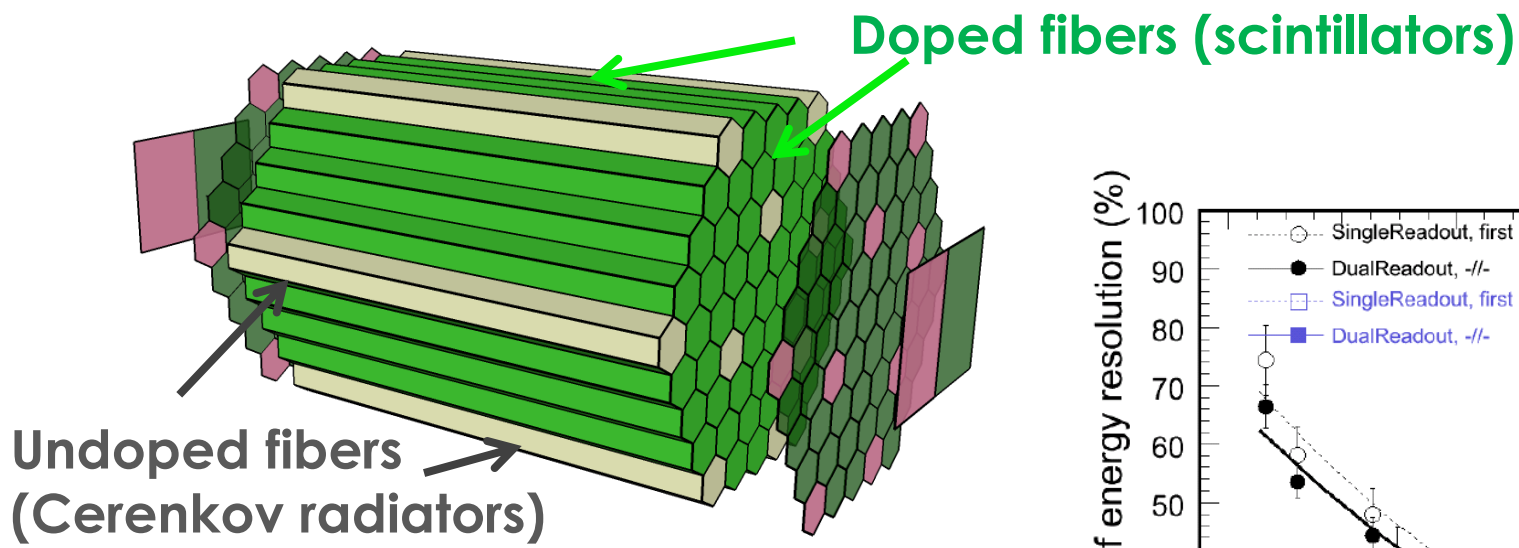


Good separation of Scintillation & Cerenkov

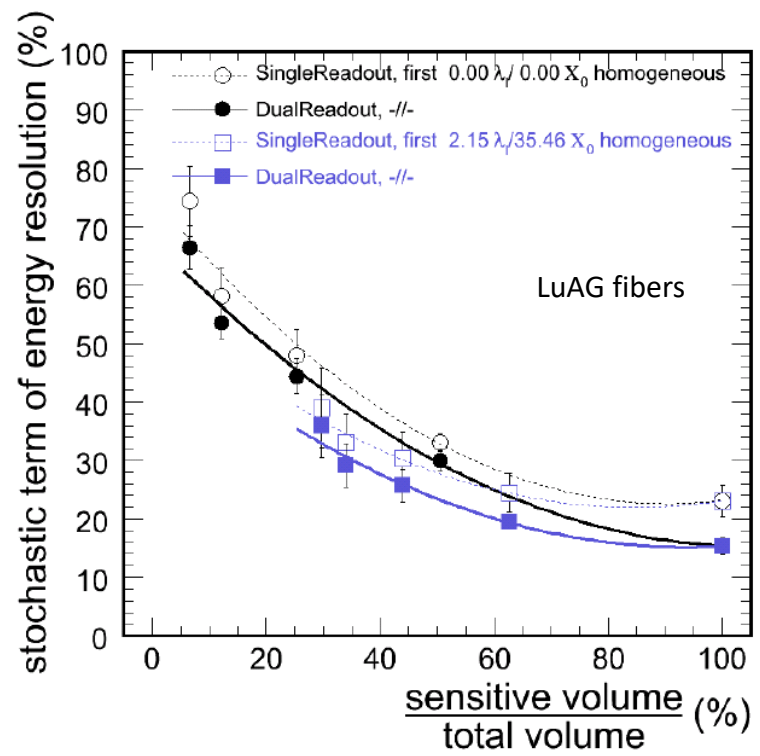


K. Pauwels et al., JINST428 (2013), 8, P09019
A. Benaglia et al, JINST 11(5) 05004 (2016)

Crystal fibers for homogeneous calorimetry



Full Homogenous Calorimeters show excellent energy resolution !



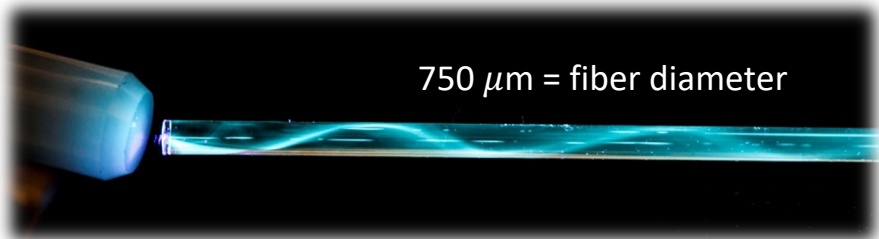
$$\left[\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \right]_{\text{Stochastic}} = \frac{22\%}{\sqrt{E}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{15\%}{\sqrt{E}}$$

Single readout
Dual readout

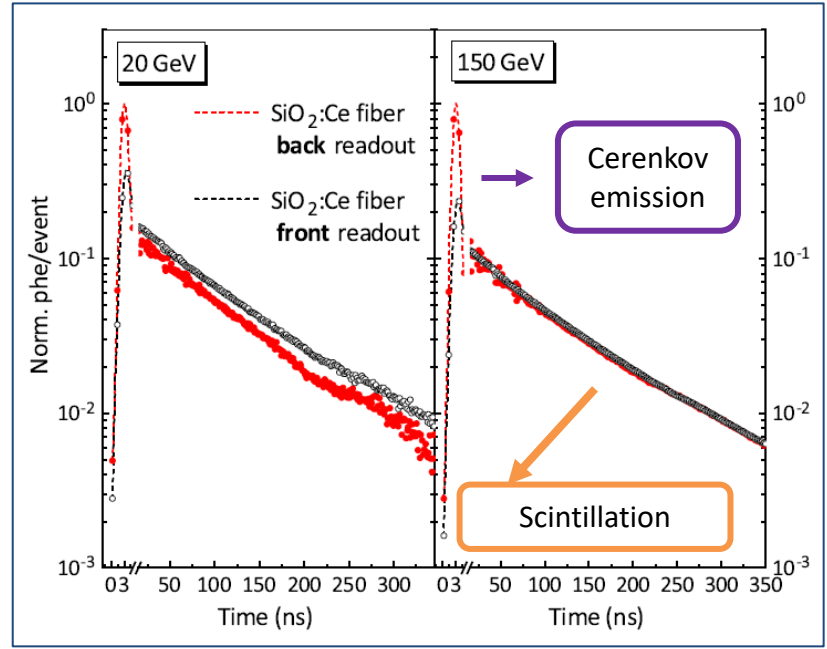
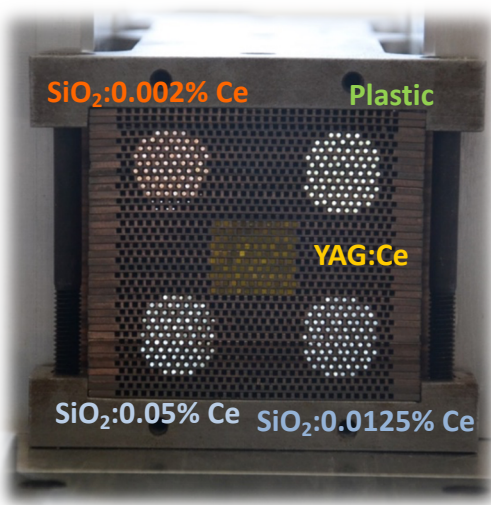
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SiO₂:Ce fibers Milano/Polymicro



Dual read-out of Cherenkov and scintillation light simultaneously with the same SiO₂:Ce fiber



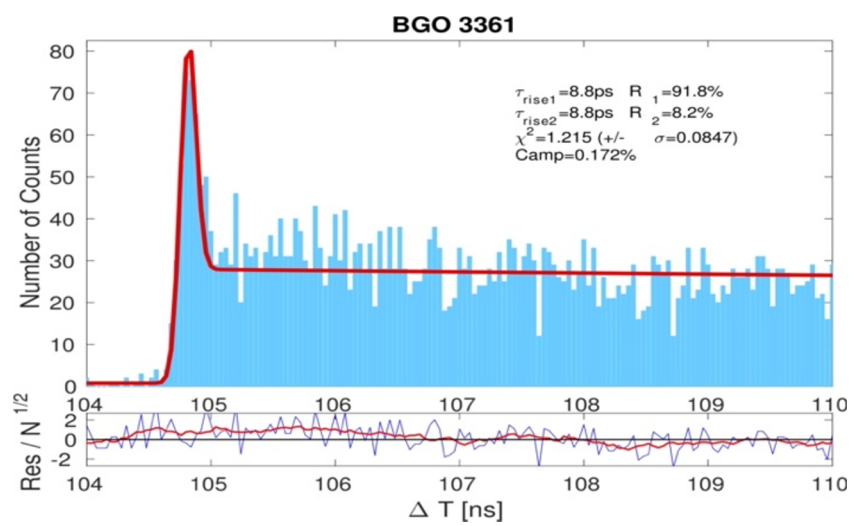
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2 types of materials:

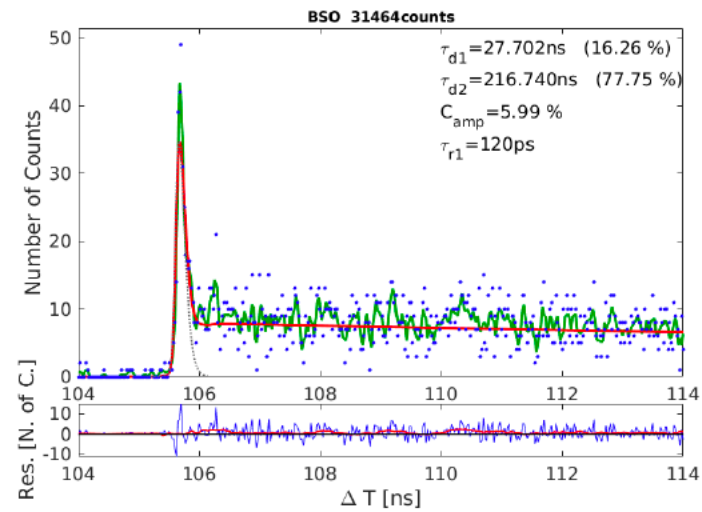
- Pure Cerenkov as PbF_2 , undoped heavy materials (eg LuAG):
“A Cerenkov EM-calorimeter for CMS, using PbF_2 crystals” proposed by J. L. Faure, 1992
- Cerenkov + Scintillation:
 - heavy scintillator: eg PWO, BGO, BSO, LuAG:Ce, Pr
 - Light scintillator: Silica doped materials=> dual readout with same material by separation emission wavelength or pulse shape

Cerenkov/scintillation signal in intrinsic scintillating crystal

Rise time measurements of BGO & BSO excited with 511KeV => Cerenkov signal clearly visible



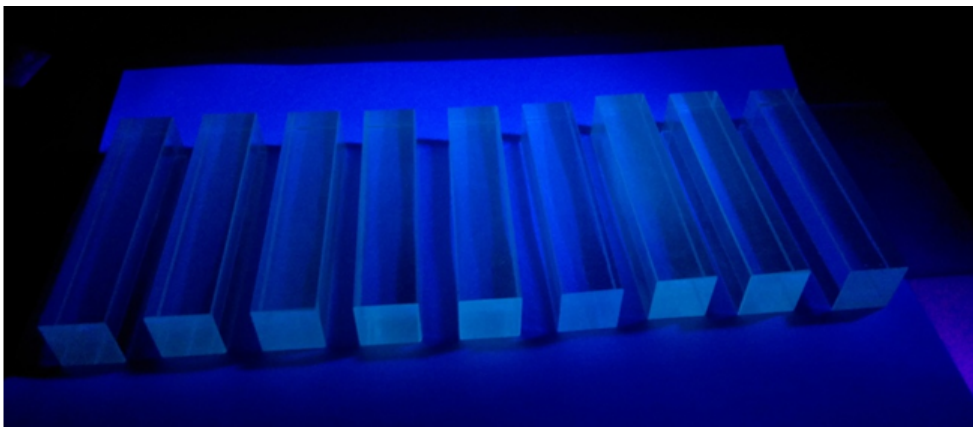
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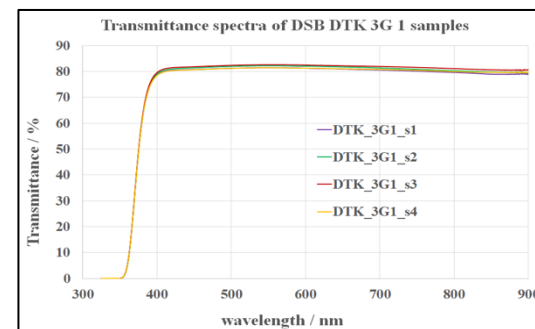
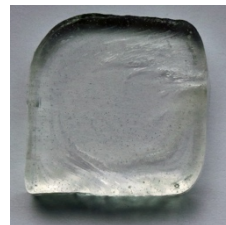
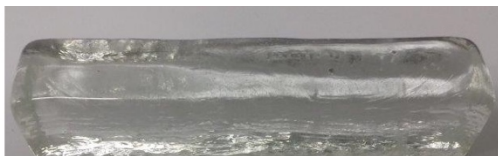
Development of Barium Silica glasses: DSB

R&D started in RINP Minsk



first prototype detecting module
made of rectangular fibres.

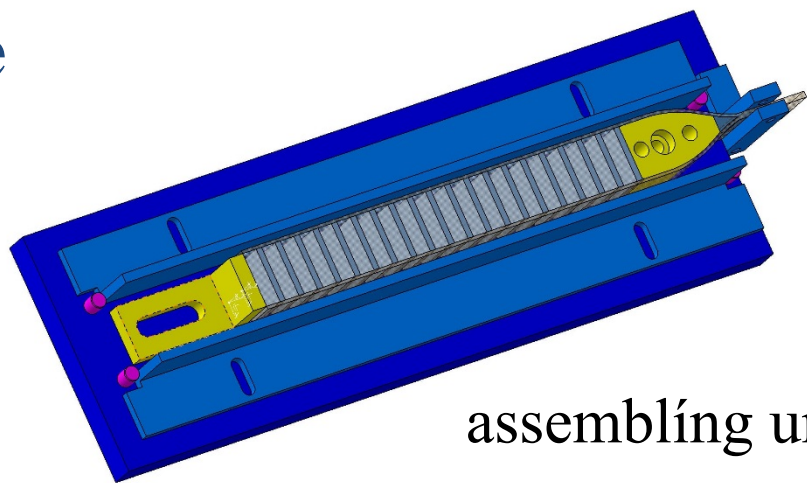
Industrial development via ScintiGlass Attract project with Preciosa Company



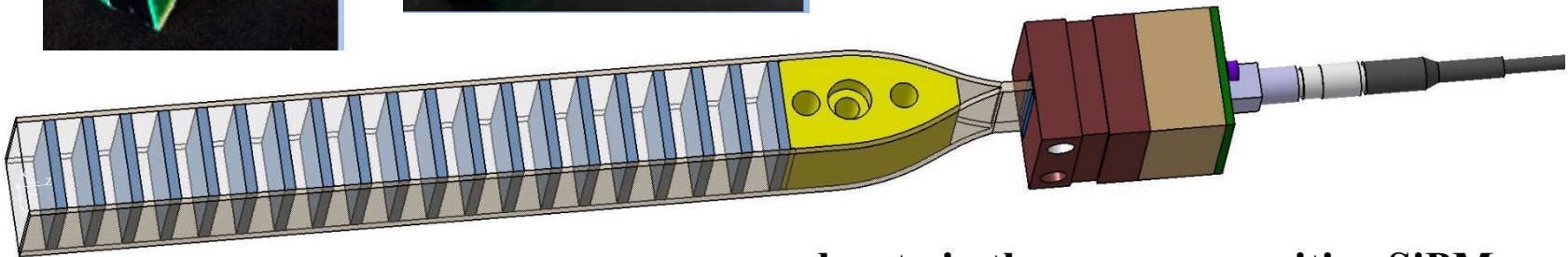
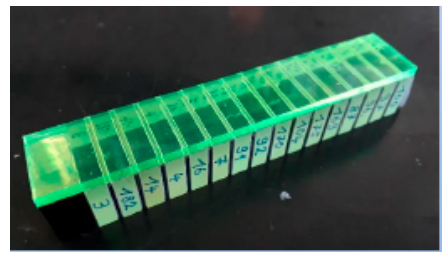
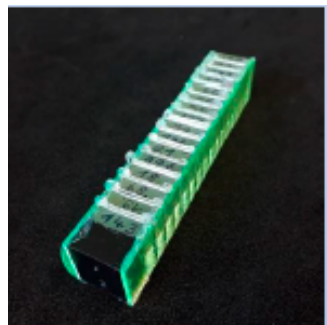
V. Dormenev et al, Presented at IEEE/NSSMIC2020
V. Dorenev Attract web site

DSB/Pb sampling module

DSB:Ce	20x17x5mm³
Pb	20x20x1mm³
WLS	EJ-280-10
	20x1.5mm²



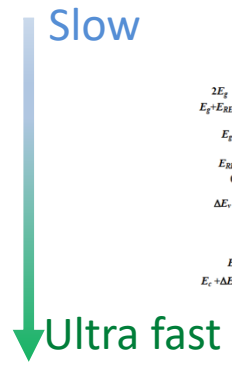
assembling unit



read-out via three green sensitive SiPMs

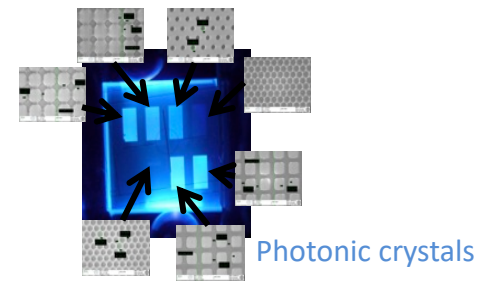
Study of various emission types:

- Excitonic emission (STE, excitations of anion complexes)
- Emission of activators (Ce, Pr, ...)
- Crossluminescence**
- Quantum confinement driven luminescence**
- Hot intraband luminescence (HIL)**
- Cerenkov radiation**



Study of Light transport and collection

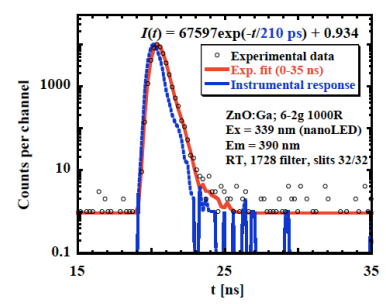
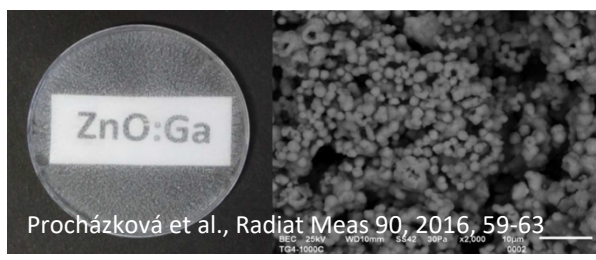
- R&D on innovative ways to transport the light
- R&D on increase light collection
- work on going surface treatment, photonic crystals, light guide



⇒ Multifunctional heterostructure concept

- Eg Combined bulk material with nanomaterial

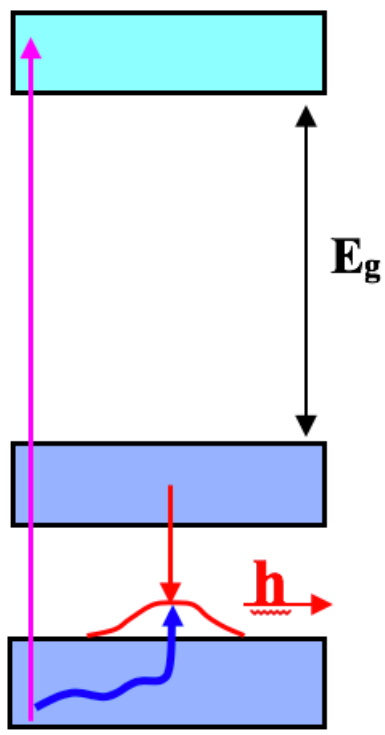
ZnO:Ga nanopowders embedded in a thin layer of SiO₂



Crossluminescence

Radiative transition between the core- and valence bands.

Many Materials available



Compilation of CL data at 293 K

	$E(C - V)$ (eV)	$E(G)$ (eV)	Theoretical	Observed (eV)	λ (nm)	Light yield (photons/MeV)	τ (ns)	Density (g/cm ³)	References
KF	7.5-10.5	10.7	+	7.5-8.5	156	--		2.5	[13, 18]
KCl	10-13	8.4	-						
KBr	10-13	7.4	-						
KI	9.5-14	6.0	-	STE					
RbF	0-7.5	10.3	+	3-6	203, 234	1700	1.3	3.6	[11-14, 18]
RbCl	4-9	8.2	+	5.5-7.5	190	1		2.8	[12]
RbBr	6.7-9.5	7.4	/						
RbI	5-10	6.1	/	STE					
CsF	0-4.5	9.9	+	2.5-4	390	2000	2.9	4.1	[6, 11, 14]
CsCl	1-5	8.3	+	4-5.5	240, 270	900	0.9	4.0	[6, 14, 15, 17, 18]
CsBr	4-6	7.3	+	4.5-6.5	250	20	0.07	4.4	[6, 14, 15, 18]
CsI	0-7	6.2	/	-/STE					
CaF ₂	12.5-17.3	12.6	-	-/STE					[1]
SrF ₂	8.4-12.8	11.1	/	-/STE					[1]
BaF ₂	4.4-7.8	10.5	+	5-7	195, 220	1400	0.8	4.9	[1, 3, 4, 9]
K ₂ Rb _{1-x} F				5-6/8					[13, 18]
KMgF ₃				6-9	140-190	1400	1.3	3.2	[7-10]
KCaF ₃				6-9	140-190	1400	<2	3.0	[10]
KYF ₄					170	1000	1.9	3.6	[9, 16]
K ₂ YF ₅				5.5-8.5	170	300	1.3	3.1	[8, 9]
KLuF ₄				5.5-8.5	170-200	~200	1.3	5.2	[8, 9, 16]
KLu ₂ F ₇				5.5-8.5	165	~200	<2	7.5	[8]
K ₂ SiF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]
CsCaCl ₃					250, 305	1400	~1	2.9	[10, 17, 19]
CsSrCl ₃					260, 300		~1		[19, 21]
LiBaF ₃					190, 230	1400	0.8	5.2	[10]
BaMgF ₄					190, 220	1000		4.5	[21]
BaY ₂ F ₈				4-7.5			0.9	5.0	[20]
K ₂ LiGaF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]
K ₂ NaAlF ₆				5-9	140-250				[21]

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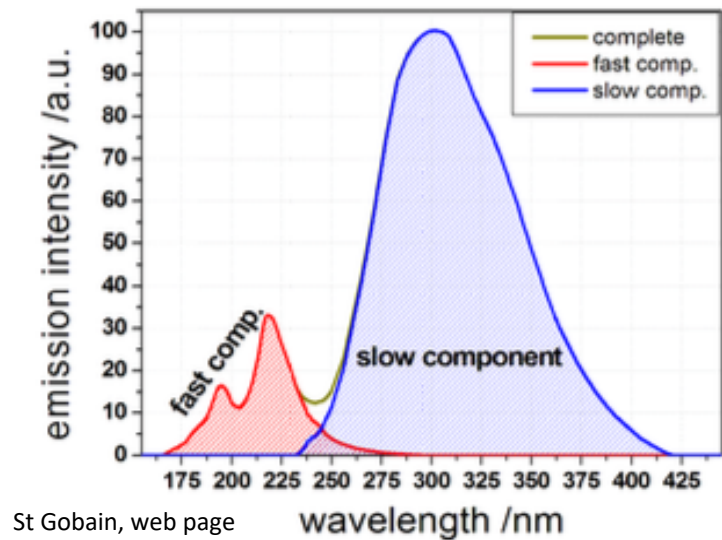
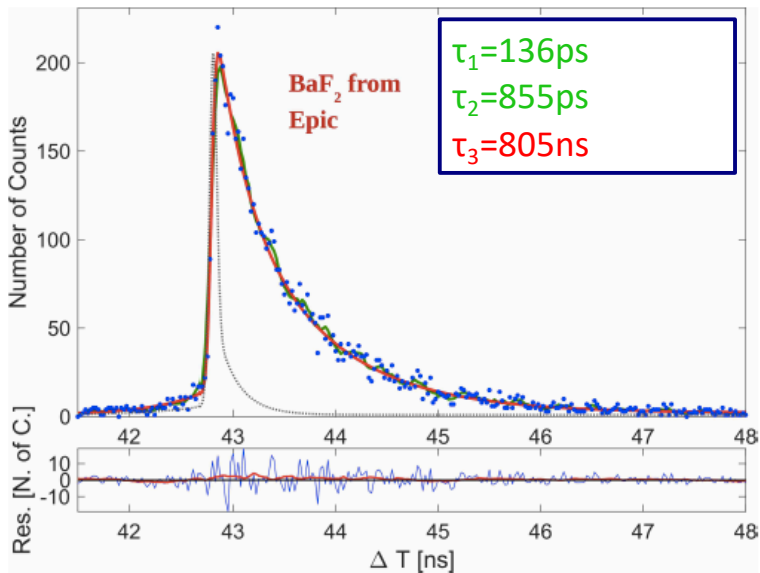
Very fast emission < 2ns but emission < 400nm

BaF₂ was proposed in 90's for ECAL in L* @SSC, L3P @LHC

L* Collaboration, Letter of Intent to the SSC Laboratory: <https://lss.fnal.gov/archive/other/ssc/sscl-sr-1154.pdf>
 R. Zhu, NIMA A 340 (1994) 442-457

Crossluminescence in BaF₂

Sub ns emission but in UV & additional slow component



R&D on going on:

- VUV photodetector
- Optical coupling
- Reduction of slow component
- Search for material with crossluminescence toward visible

R. Pots et al Front. Phys. | doi: 10.3389/fphy.2020.592875

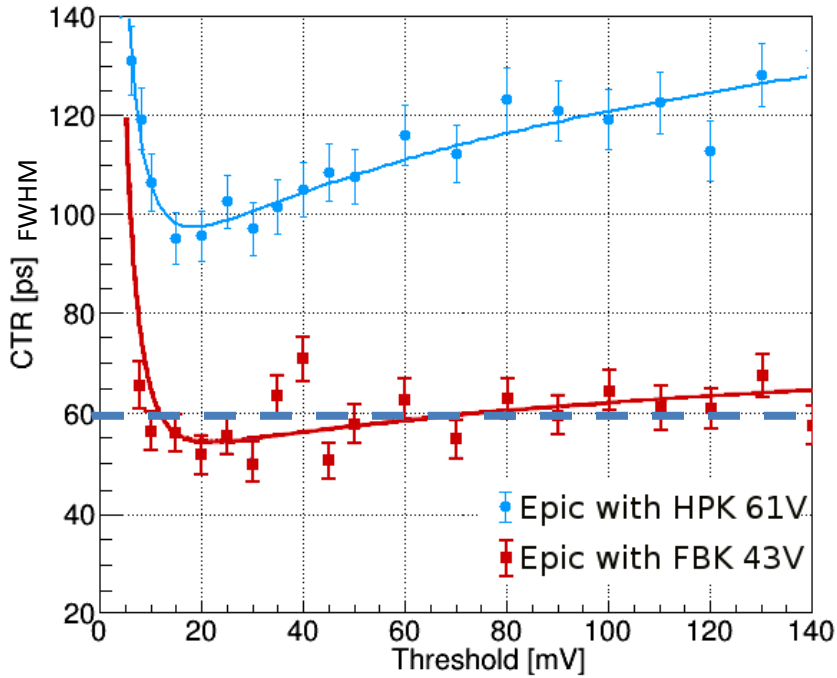
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Improvement of UV photodetection

Development on going on VUV SiPM both in Hamamatsu: HPK S13370-CN & FBK NUV HD (eg: for nEXO experiment (Xe liquid @175nm)*)

⇒ PDE about 20%

Time resolution measured @CERN with BaF₂ (2x2x3mm³) pixels @511keV



LSO:Ce,Ca 2x2x3mm³
with optical coupling, PDE 59%

HPK S13370-CN

Better SPTR & PDE

FBK VUV HD

PDE: 15-20%

No optical coupling

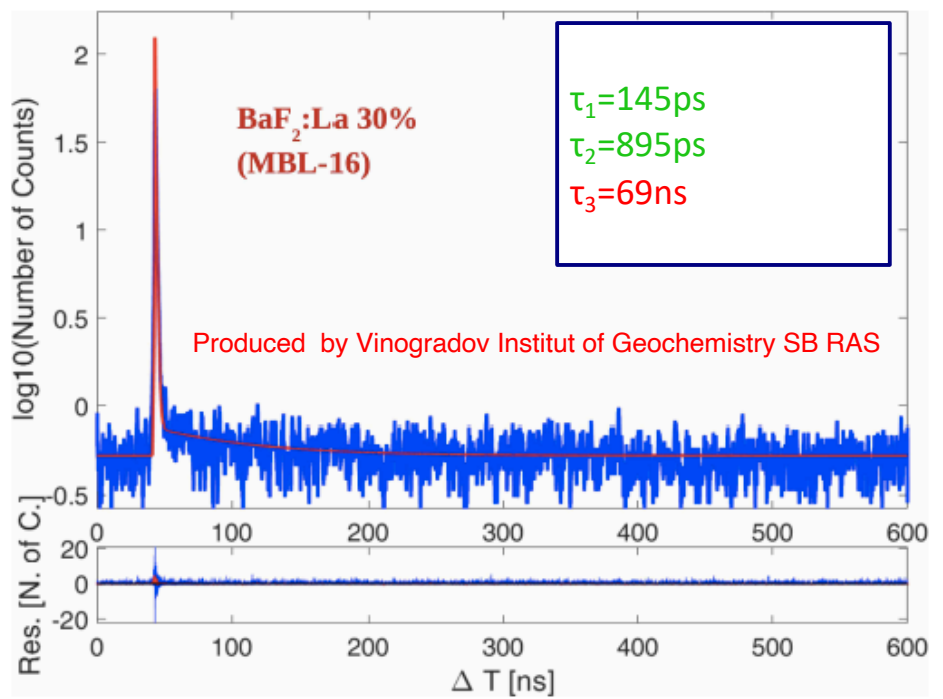
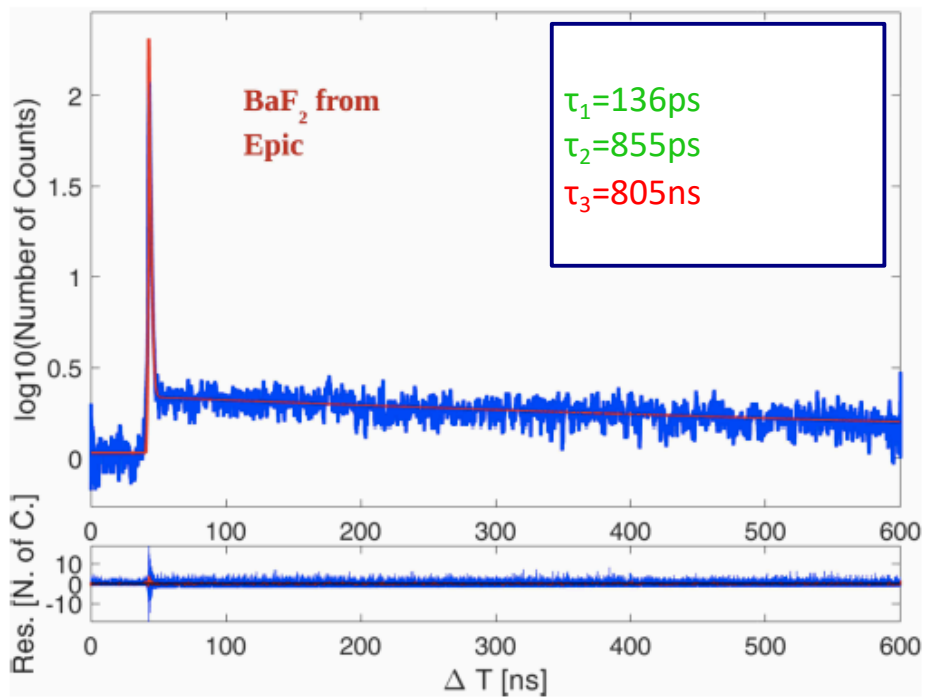
Further improvement of PDE in UV and optical coupling may improve time resolution

* A. Jamil et al., in IEEE TNS, vol. 65, no. 11, pp. 2823-2833, 2018, doi: 10.1109/TNS.2018.2875668.

R. Pots et al, Front. Phys. | doi: 10.3389/fphy.2020.592875
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Suppression of slow component with various doping

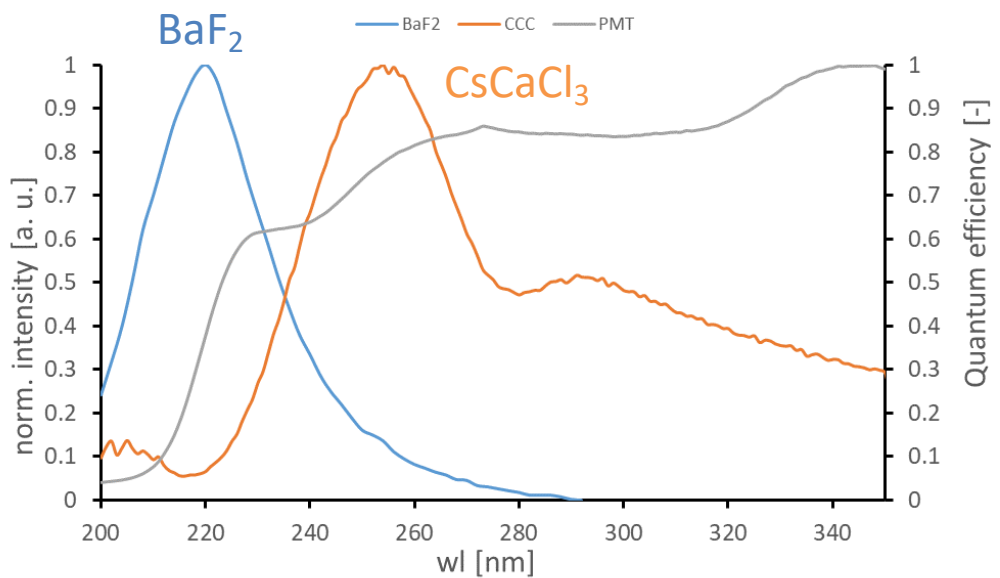
Example with La doping



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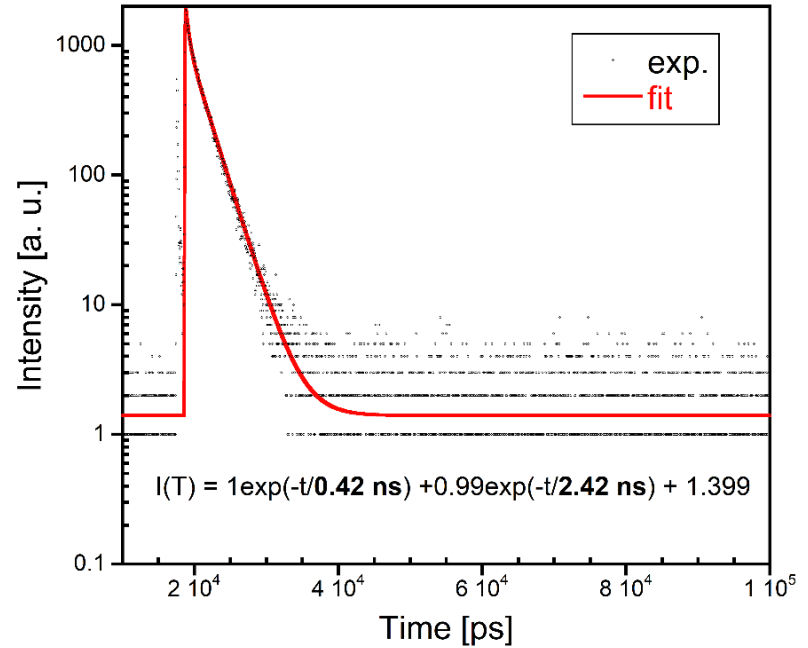
Development cross luminescence material more in UV visible region

Emission spectra



Courtesy V. Vanecek, M. Nikl, FZU Prague
 Data for BaF₂ from M. Laval et al. , NIM Phys. Res., 206 (1983) 169–176

Deacy spectra

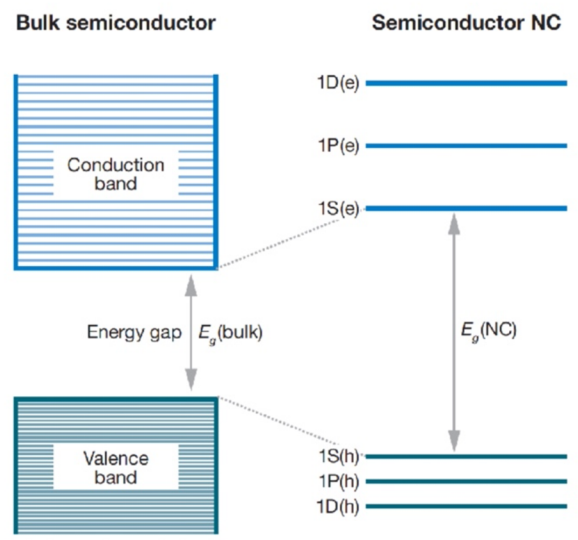


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Emission @ 260nm
2 fast decay time 0.42ns, 2.42ns

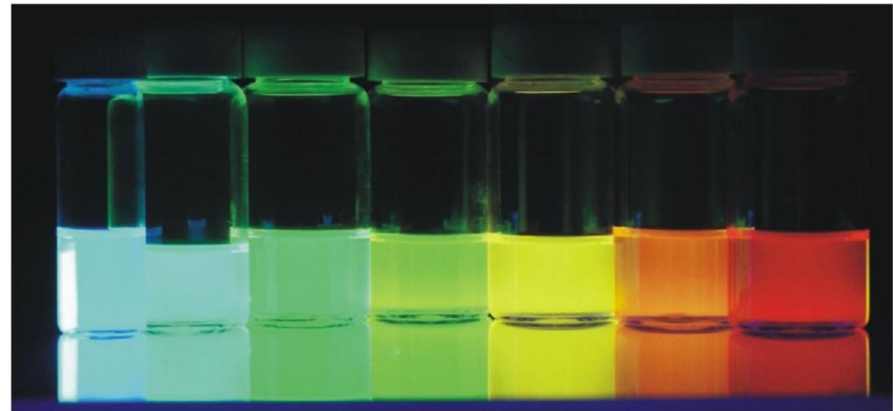
Quantum confinement

$a \sim \lambda_B \rightarrow$ QUANTUM CONFINEMENT



V. Klimov, *Annu. Rev. Phys. Chem.*, 58, pp. 635-73, 2007.

Size dependent optoelectronic-properties



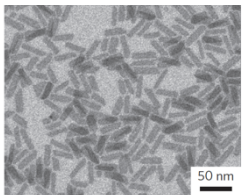
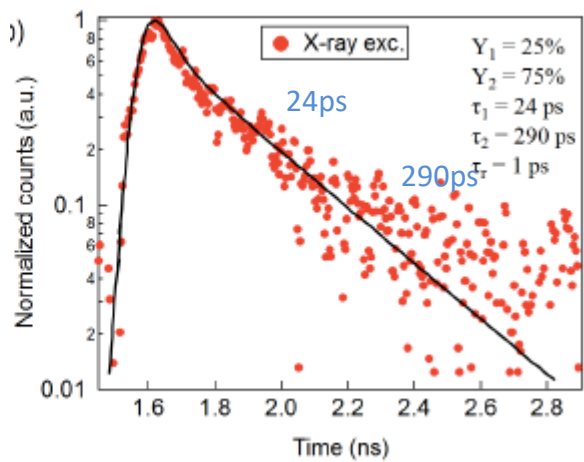
2.3 \longrightarrow 5.5

Size (nanometers)

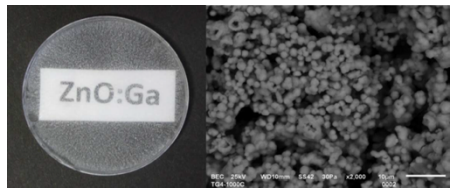
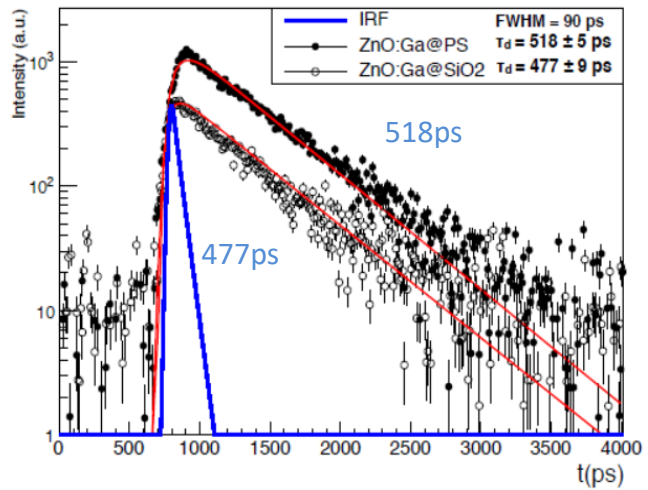
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Some examples of scintillating nanomaterials with subns emission

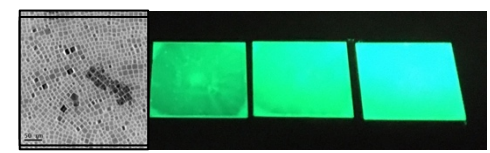
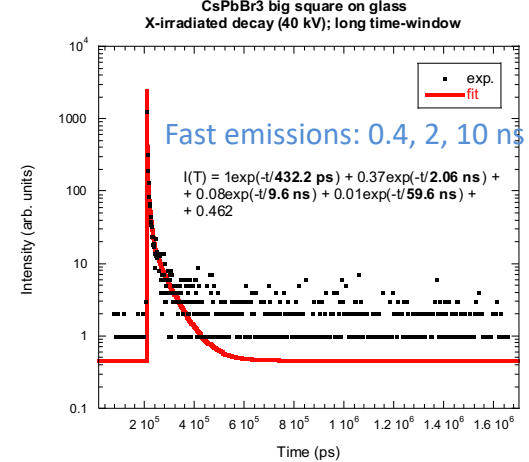
CdSe nanoplatelet,



ZnO:Ga embedded in SiO₂ or polystyrene



CsPbBr₃ thin films deposited on glass substrate



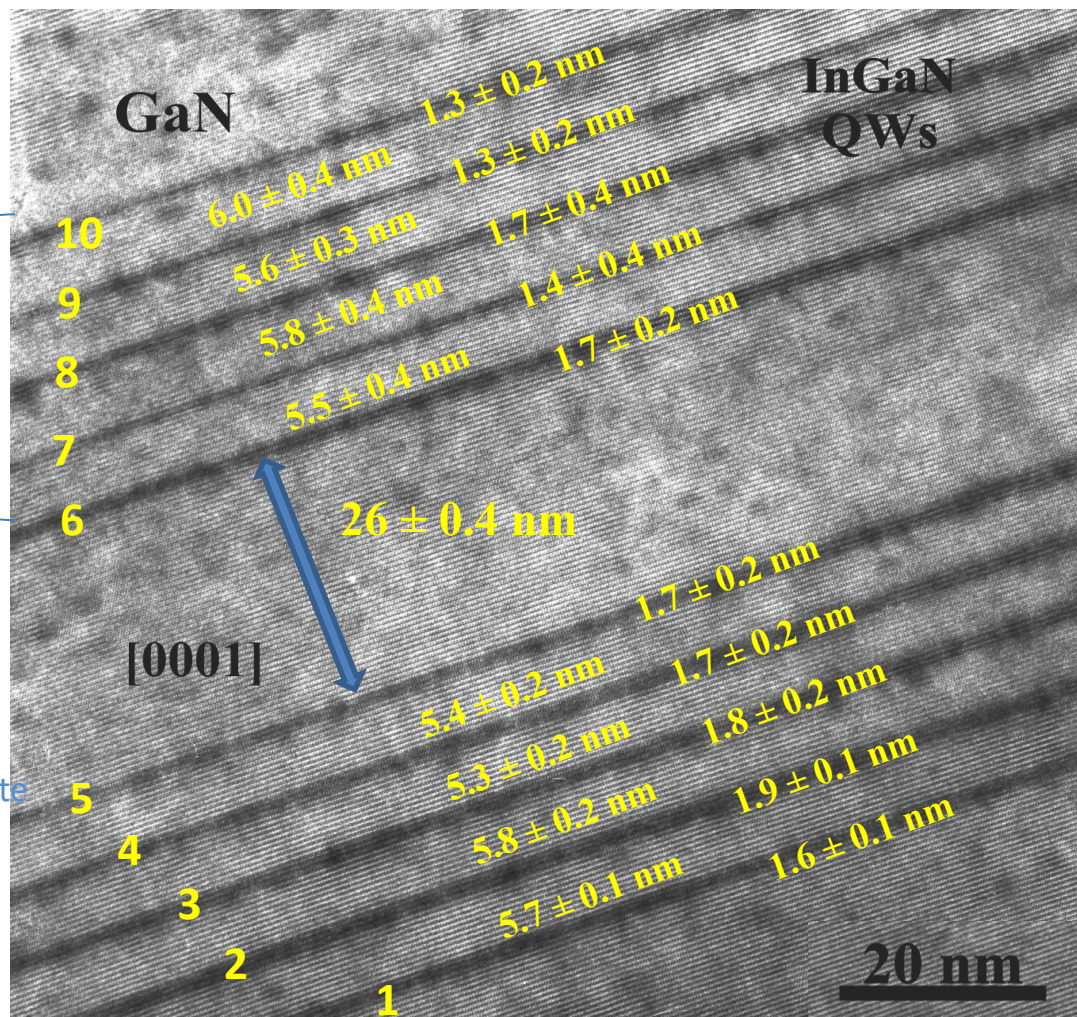
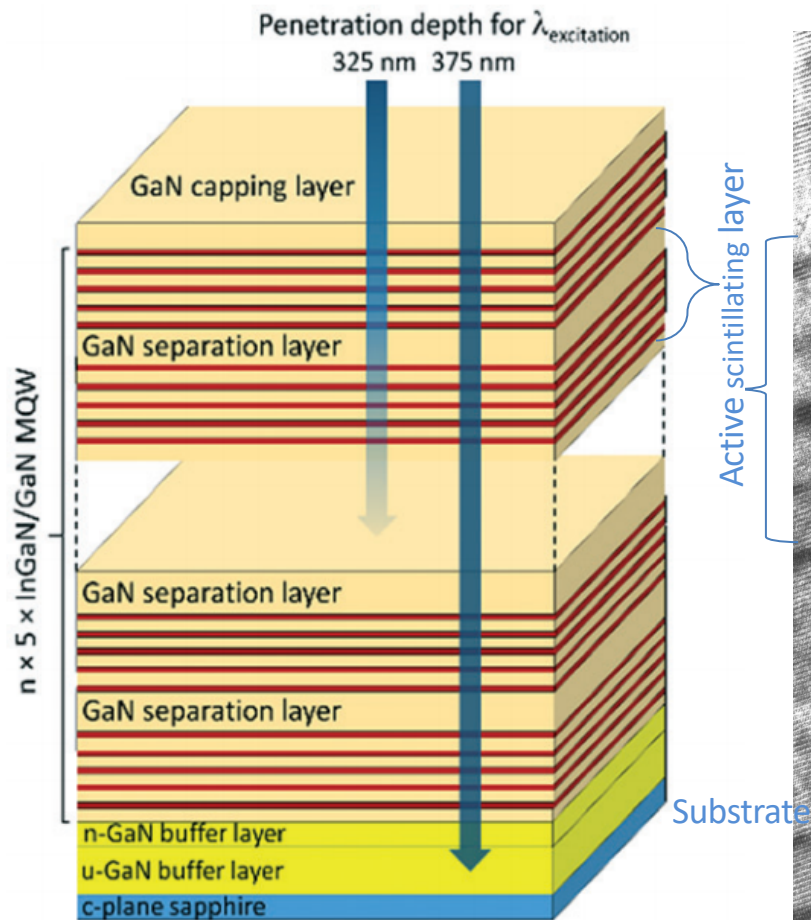
J. Grim et al., *Nature Nanotechnology*, 9,2014, 891–895
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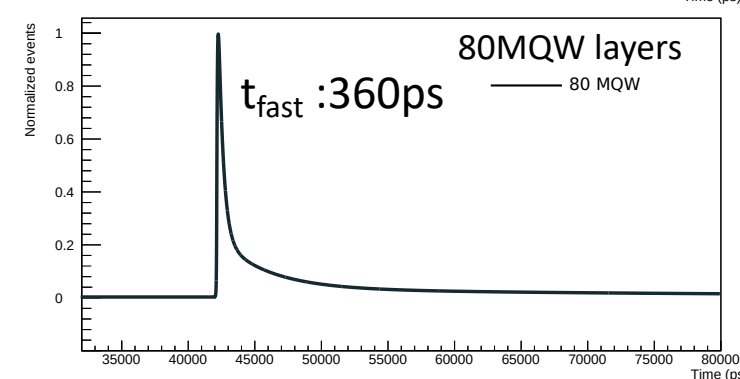
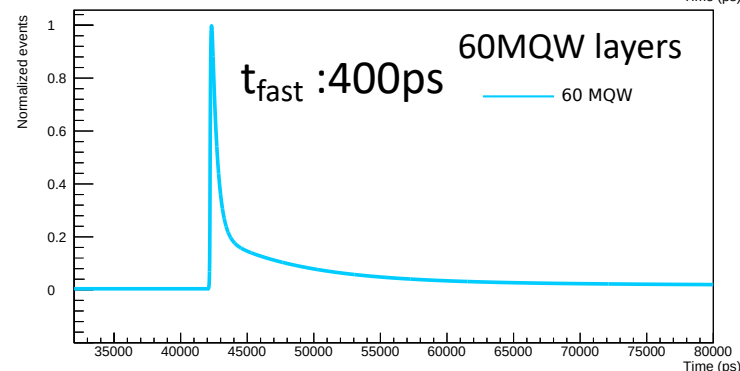
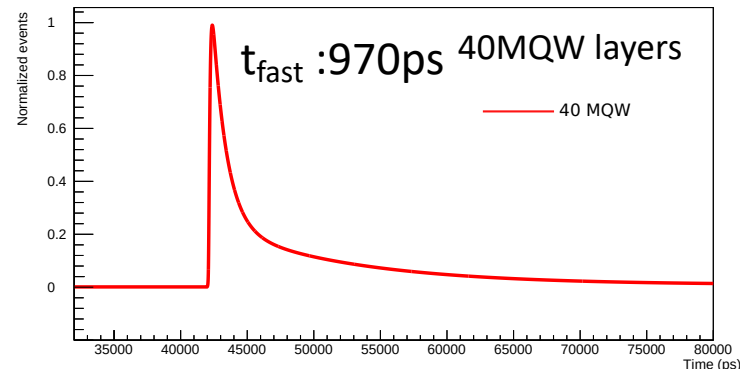
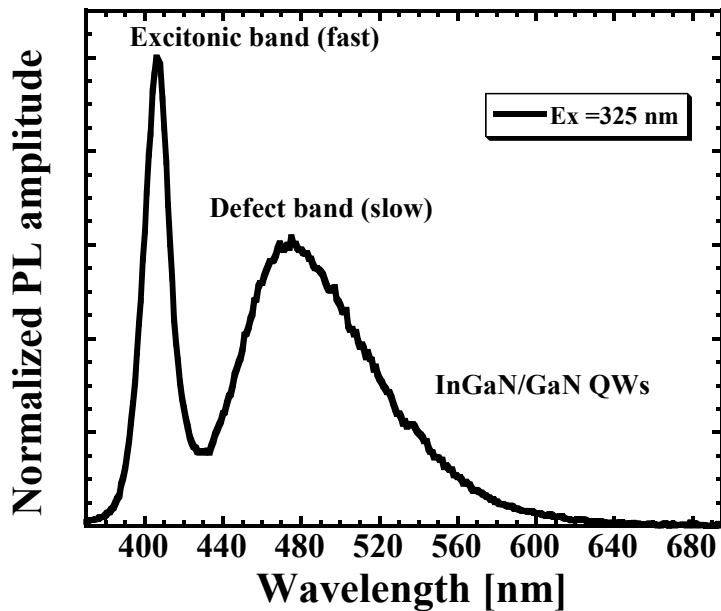
InGaN/GaN heterostructure: Multiple Quantum Wells (MQW)

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T. Hubacek, CrystEngComm, 2019, 21, 356

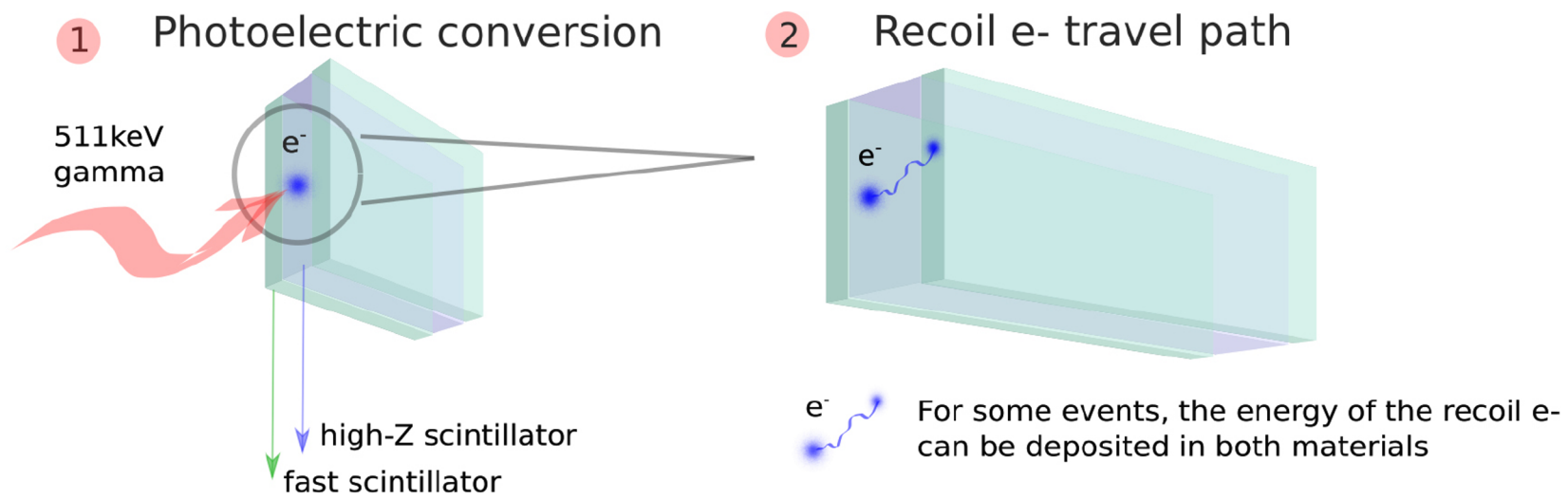
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Preliminary, measured @cern Lab27

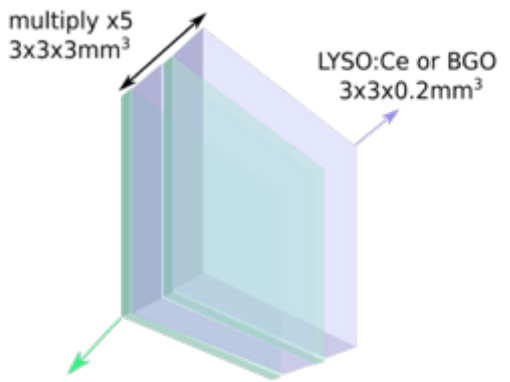
Heterostructure concept

Combine scintillators with high light yield, high stopping power & material with prompt emission

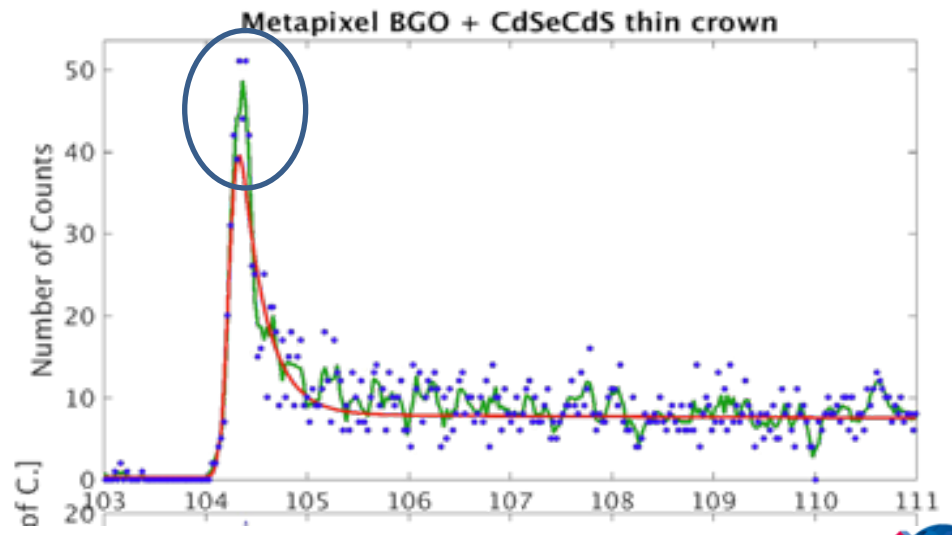
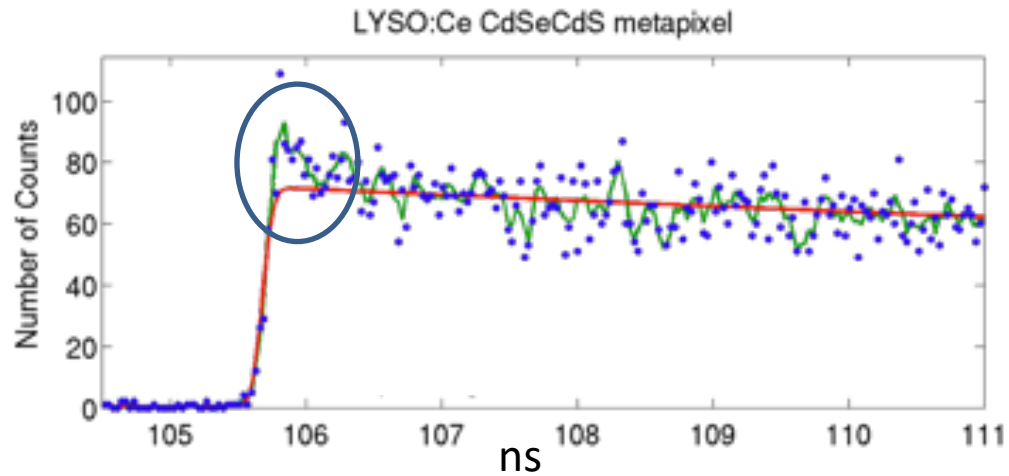


Energy sharing among multiple layers of standard and fast scintillators

First attempt of heterostructure realized in our group



CdSe/CdS core crown nanoplatelets (CC NPLs) drop-casted film
Effective deposited mass equivalent to 20 μ m



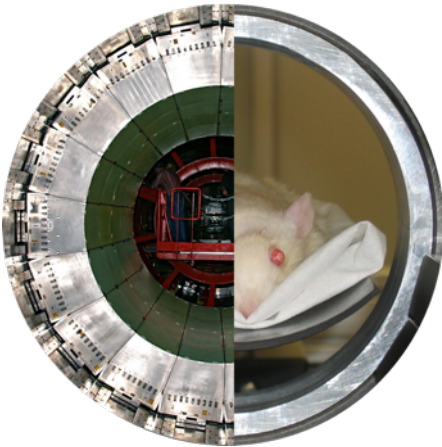
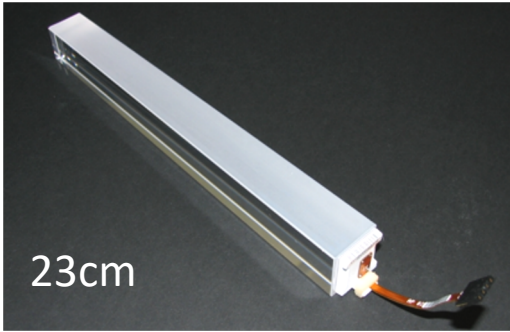
Conclusion

- Many new emerging technologies exist in the field of scintillators, which open new perspectives for new innovative scintillating detector concepts with high granularity & high time resolution
- The Crystal Clear Collaboration (RD18) provides access to a huge expertise in light based detectors developed over the last 30 years through a wide international network of experts in different fields
- Development on scintillators, photodetectors, electronics for HEP has impact on many applications
 - ⇒ Strong cross fertilization between HEP and applied physics (eg medical and industrial apps).
 - ⇒ HEP can widely benefit from synergy effects achieved in common R&D projects carried out with research partners active in fields outside HEP

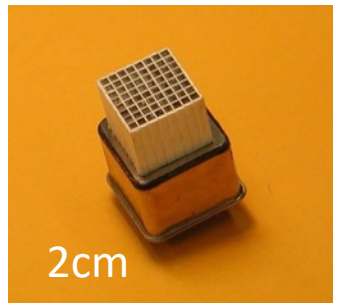
Synergy with other applications

Case of medical applications: PET

ECAL in CMS experiment



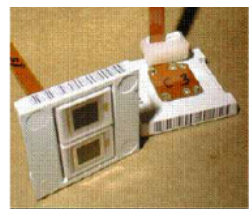
PET scanner



ClearPET module

In CCC, since 1995 development of several PET prototypes with particular focus on timing during last years

Example of cross fertilization between HEP to Health:



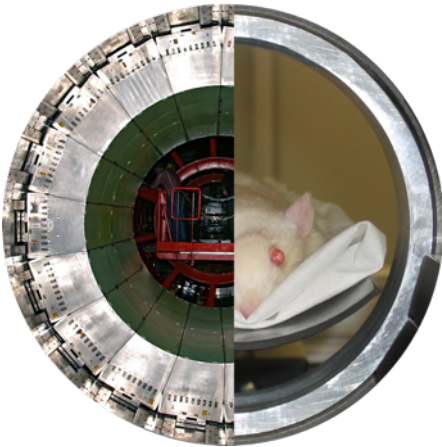
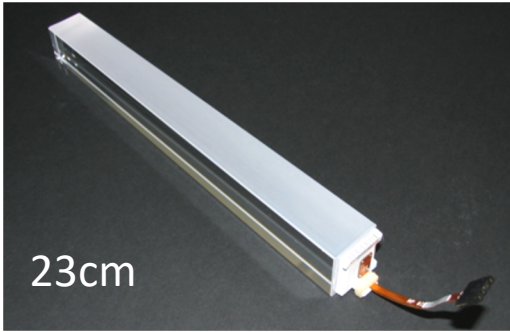
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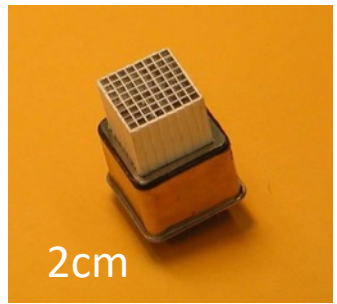
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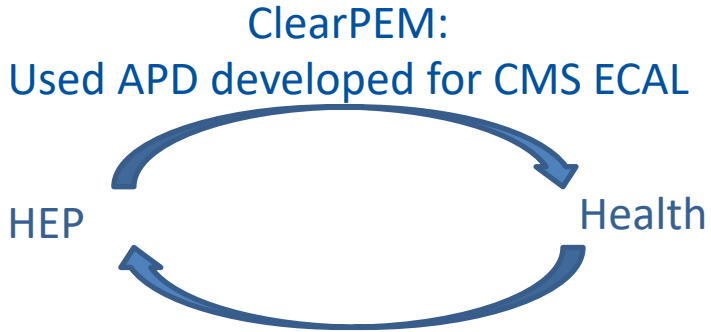
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Crystal array CMS BTL



Future CMS barrel timing layer: LYSO/SiPM and electronic developed first for EndoTOFPET