

WP5: Activities on TPSCo 65 nm process

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for a large community

- Interest for sensors in a 65 nm process
- 1st submission MLR1 findings
- Contents of ER1
- Plan for ER2

65 nm & requirements from WP 5

Slightly modified introductory slide from kick-off meeting (April 2021)

■ Sensor spatial resolution

- Key requirement for Higgs factories: $\sigma_{sp} \lesssim 3 \mu\text{m}$
- ALICE-ITS3 $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$, Belle II $< 15 \mu\text{m}$, trackers $> 10 \mu\text{m}$

⇐ critical benefit of small feature size in 65nm for task 5.2

■ Detection layer with material budget: 0.05 to 0.15 % X_0

- Achieved through large stitched & curved sensors
 - Key requirement for ALICE-ITS3, strong interest for Higgs factories
- Low power $\ll 100 \text{ mW/cm}^2$, compatible with air-cooling
 - Important for Higgs factories & ALICE-ITS3

⇐ possible with other techno BUT attractive in 65nm due to 12" wafer size

⇐ benefit of low supply voltage in 65nm, critical for task 5.2

■ Hit rate and time resolution (highly dependent on experiment)

- Few $10 \text{ MHz/cm}^2/\text{s}$ for Higgs-factories
- $> 100 \text{ MHz/cm}^2/\text{s}$ for Belle II and some trackers
- Time resolution $\sim \text{ns}$ for CLIC and some trackers
- Specific for PID or 4D tracking: time resolution in ~ 10 or $\sim 100\text{ps}$ range

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⇐ requires new readout architectures, critical for both tasks 5.2+5.3

⇐ benefit of thin sensitive layer in 65nm, critical for task 5.3

■ Radiation tolerance to NIEL fluence

- Up to $10^{12} n_{\text{eq}(1\text{MeV})}/\text{cm}^2$ for task 5.2
- Minimum $10^{15} n_{\text{eq}(1\text{MeV})}/\text{cm}^2$ and beyond for task 5.3

⇐ 65nm tolerance to be checked, critical for task 5.3

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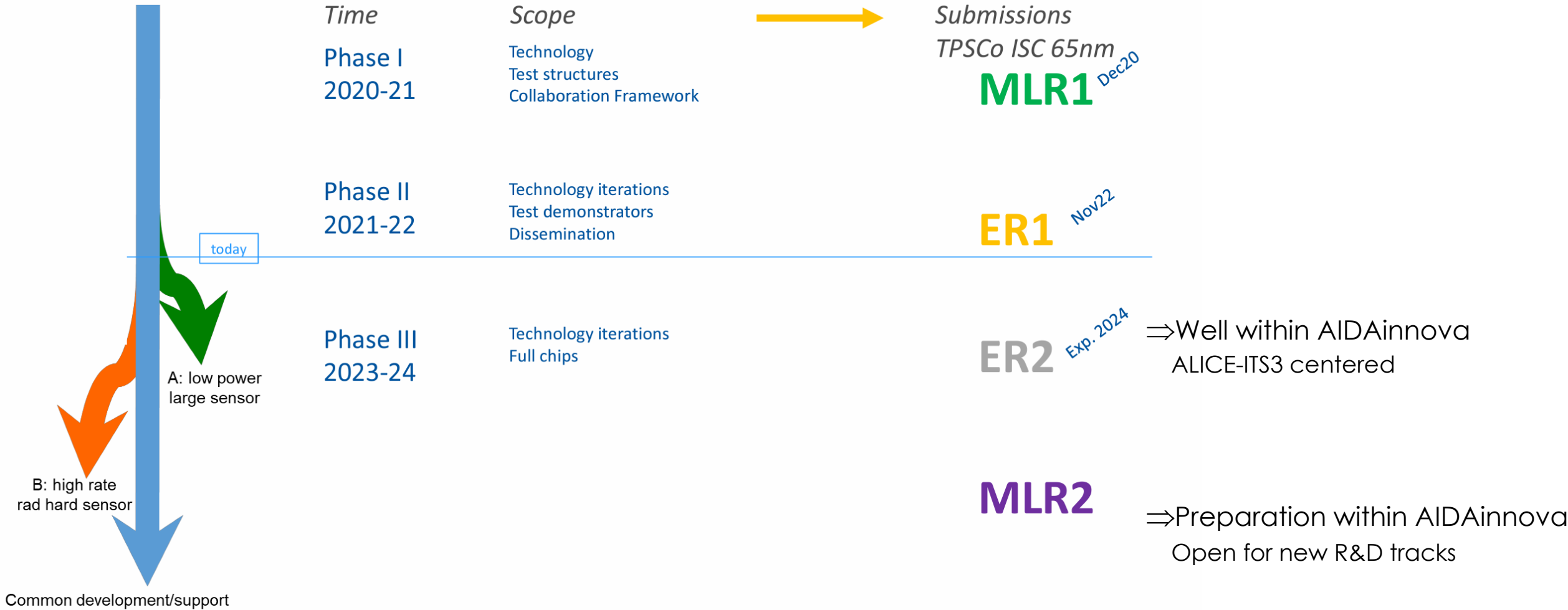
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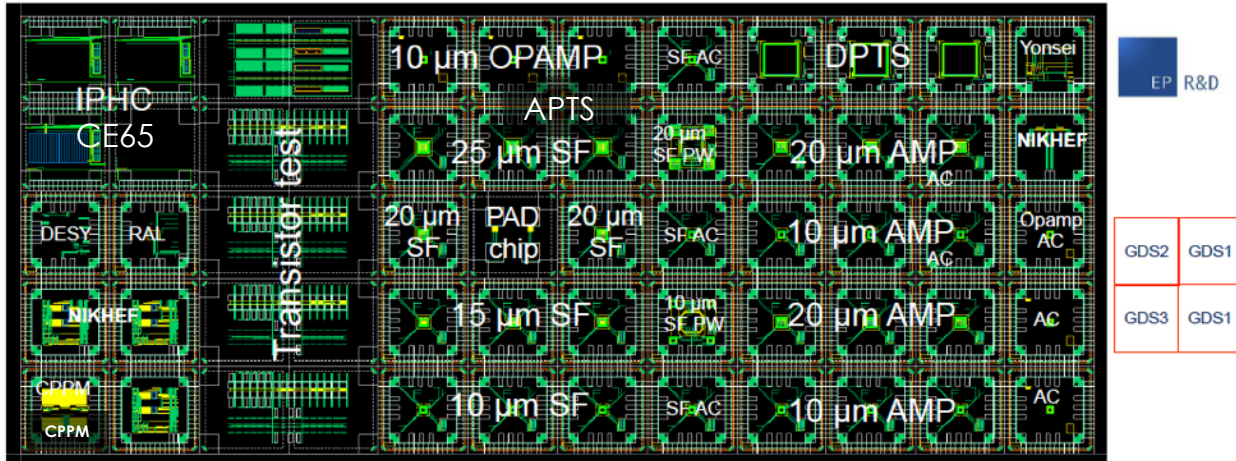
Timeline



Reminder on 1st submission

Multi-Layer Reticule (MLR1)

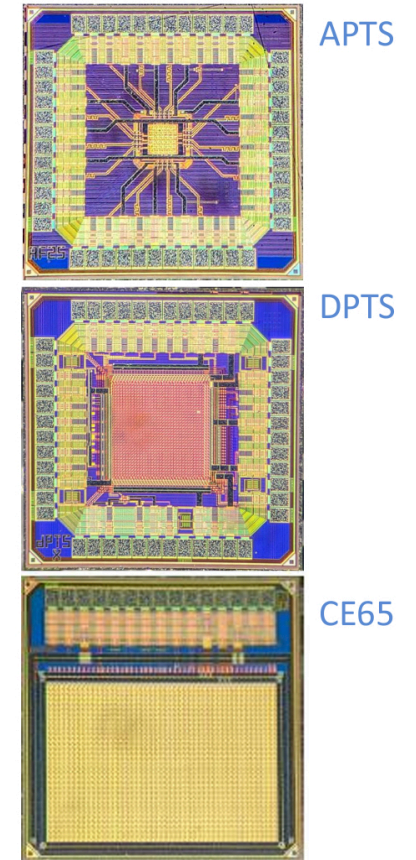
- 5 metal layers, HR thin (~10µm) epi layer



- IPHC: rolling shutter larger matrices, DESY: pixel test structure (using charge amplifier with Krummenacher feedback, RAL: LVDS/CML receiver/driver, NIKHEF: bandgap, T-sensor, VCO, CPPM: ring-oscillators, Yonsei: amplifier structures
- Transistor test structures, analog pixel (4x4 matrix) test matrices in several versions (in collaboration with IPHC with special amplifier), digital pixel test matrix (DPTS) (32x32), pad structure for assembly testing.
- After final GDS placement, GDS1 is instantiated twice.
- Converged with 4 splits of 3 wafers

⇒ Sensors

- 10-25 µm pitch
- APTS = analogue outputs with OpAmp
- DPTS = digital outputs
- CE65 = analogue outputs with DC/AC and no-Amp/Amp



Test & Building blocs

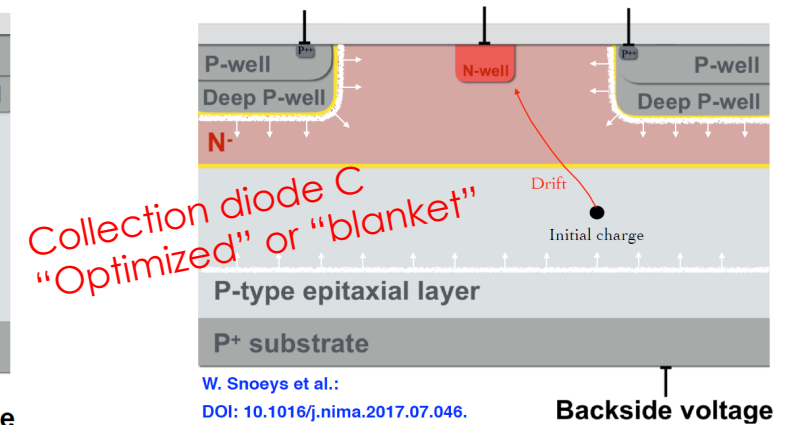
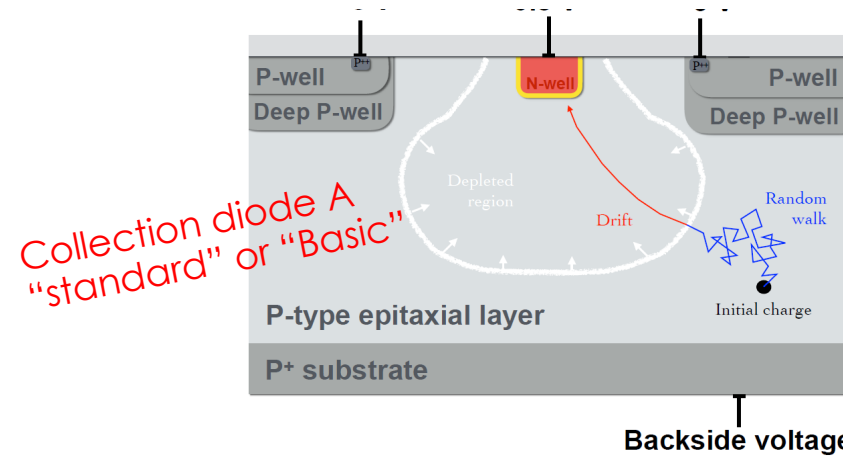
- Transistors: no show stoppers (still some measurements to be done)
- Ring oscillators: ready for irradiation study
- DAC, Bandgap, Temp-sensors, VCO: functional, TID/NIEL irradiations & SEE under-study

TPSCo 65nm process modification

■ 4 process splits

- Doping modifications:

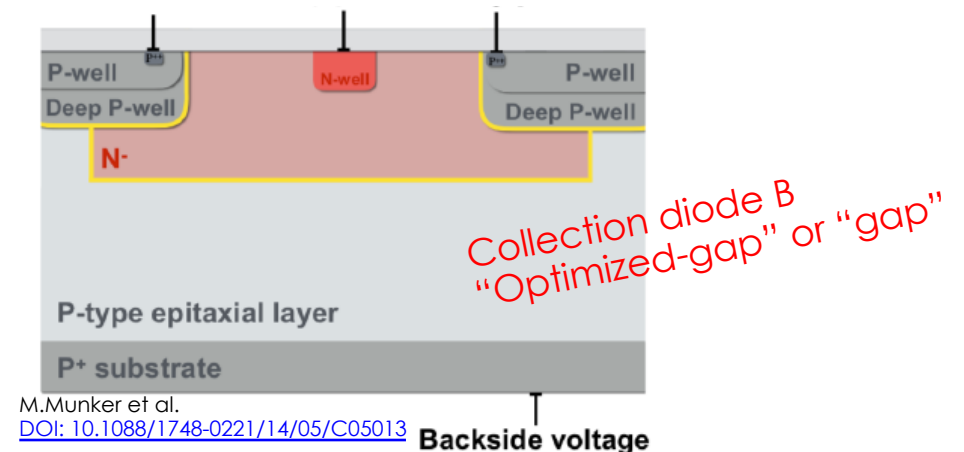
1. Default process
2. First intermediate process
3. Second intermediate process
4. Optimized process



■ 3 collection diode structures

- Following successful modifications in Tower 180 nm
- Standard => Optimized(gap) structures

⇒ Both modifications based on TCAD studies
Still on-going for subsequent submissions

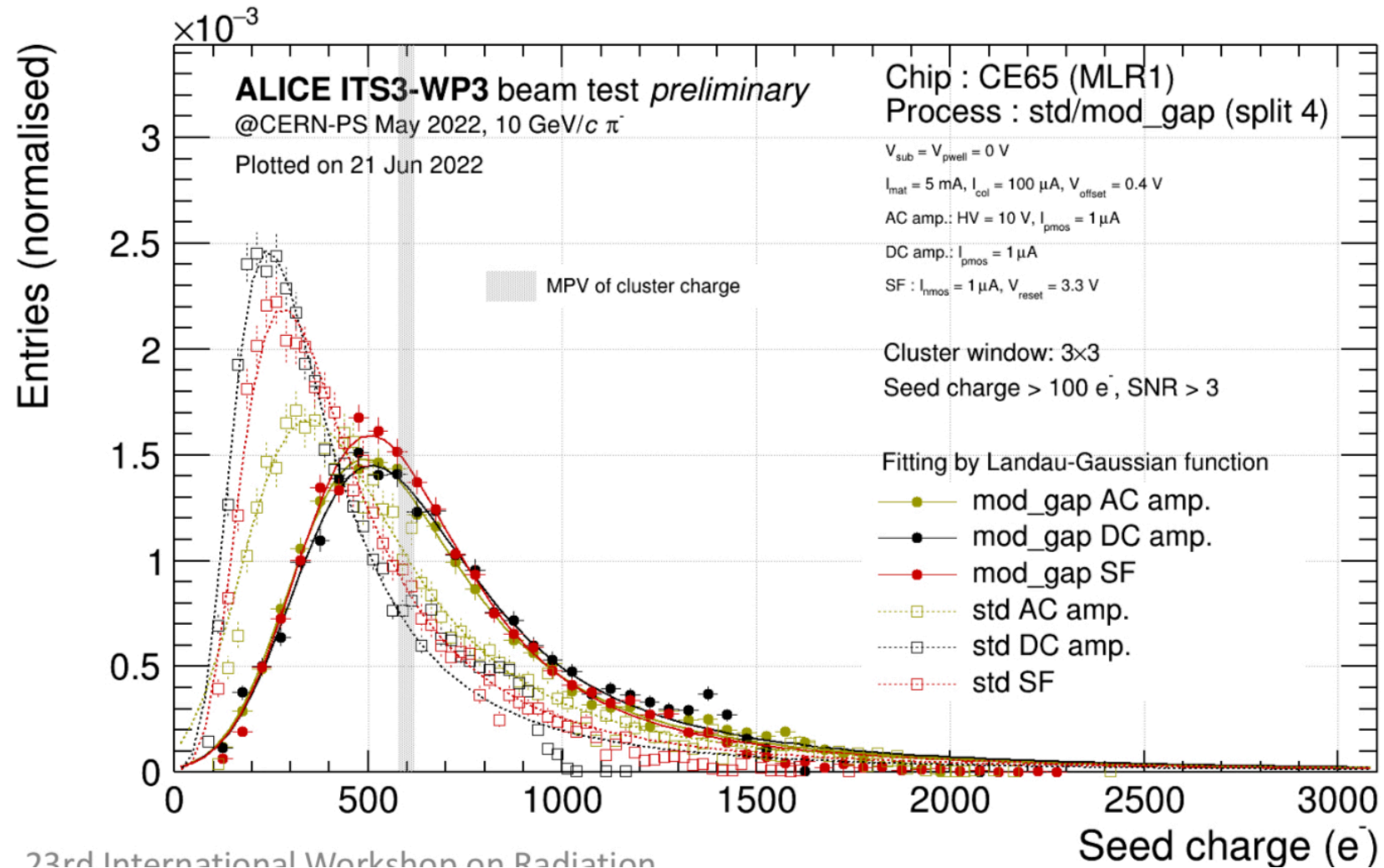


MLR1 findings so far 1/3

■ Process modifications successful / basic detection

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- CE-65 (analog) with 15 μm pitch
- Beam test at DESY



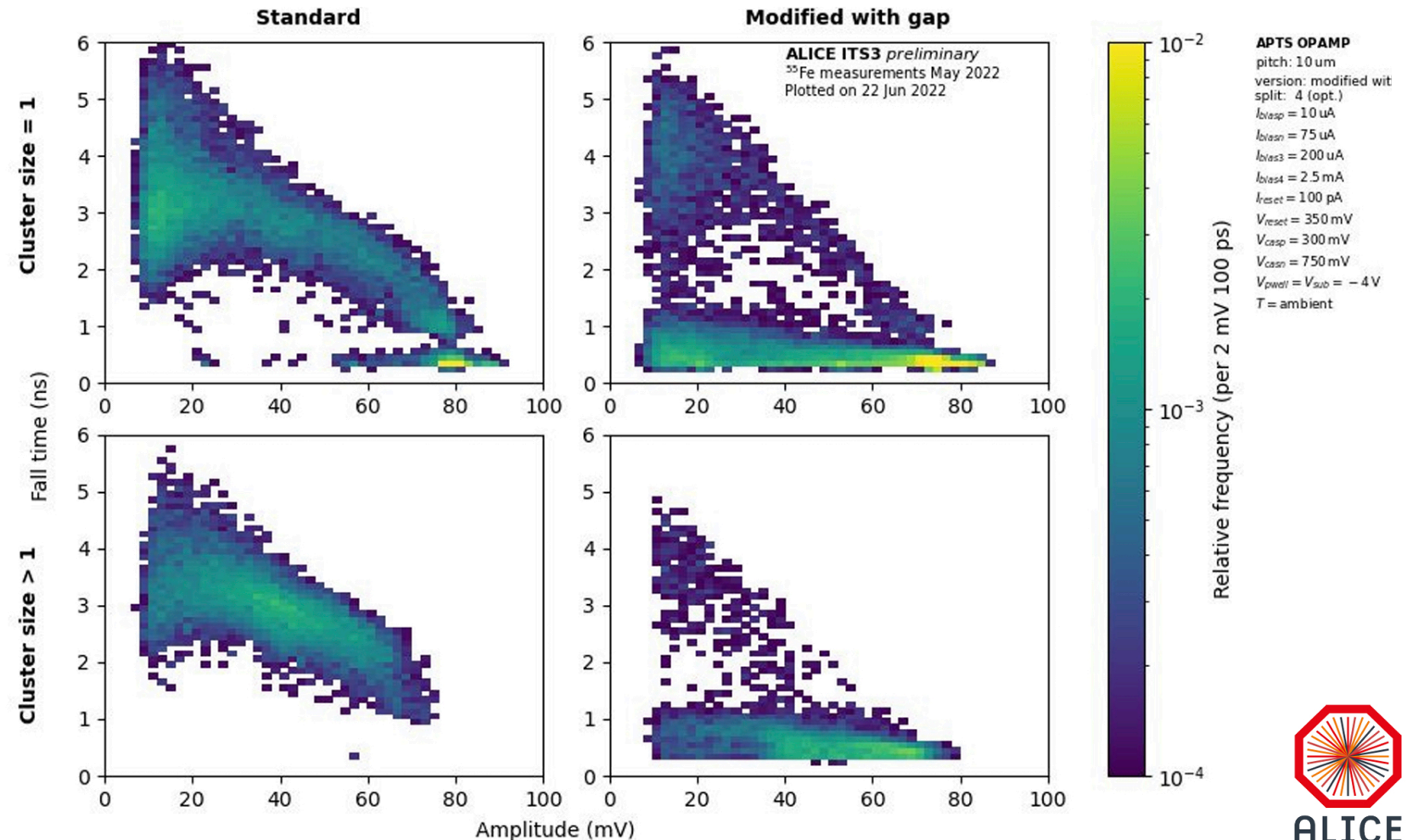
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MLR1 findings so far 1/3

■ Promising timing performance

- APTS with OpAmp, 10 μm pitch
- ^{55}Fe illumination
- Note fall time = rising timing since negative signal

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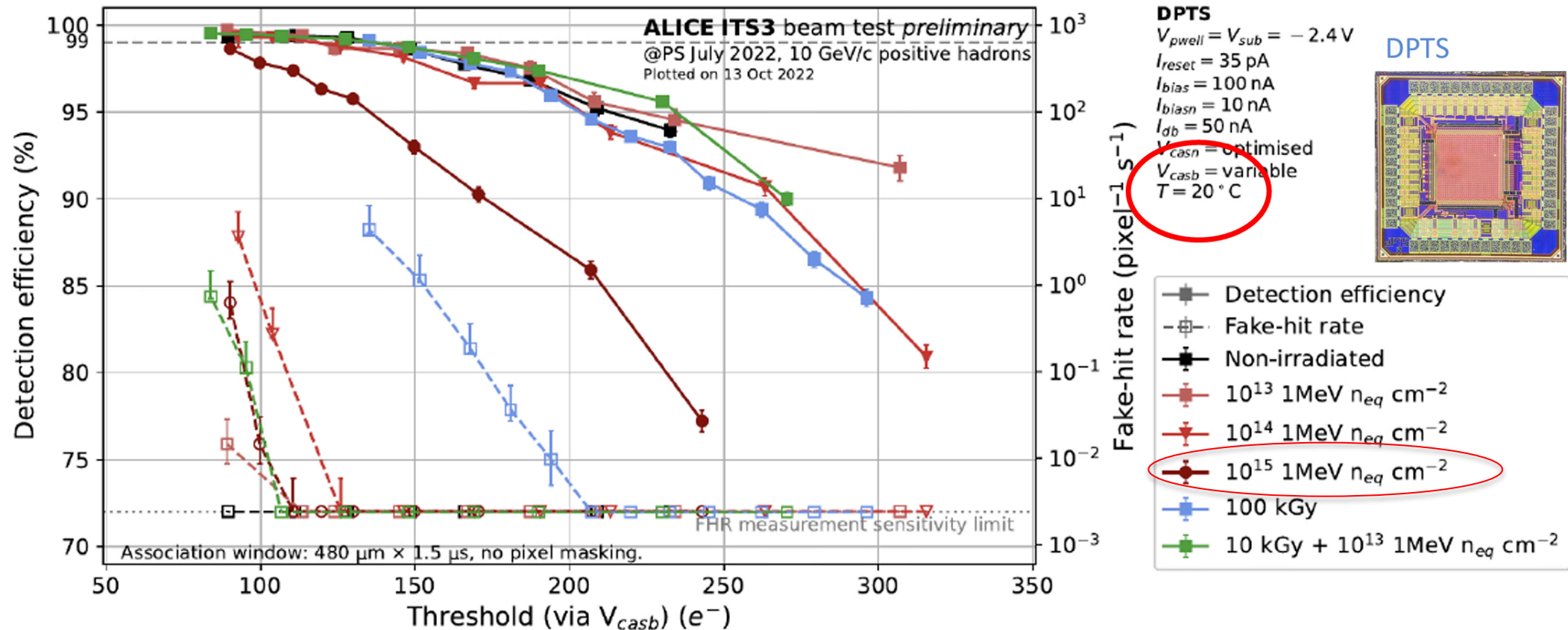
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MLR1 findings so far 3/3

■ Promising radiation tolerance

- DPTS (digital) with 15 μm pitch
- Beam test results

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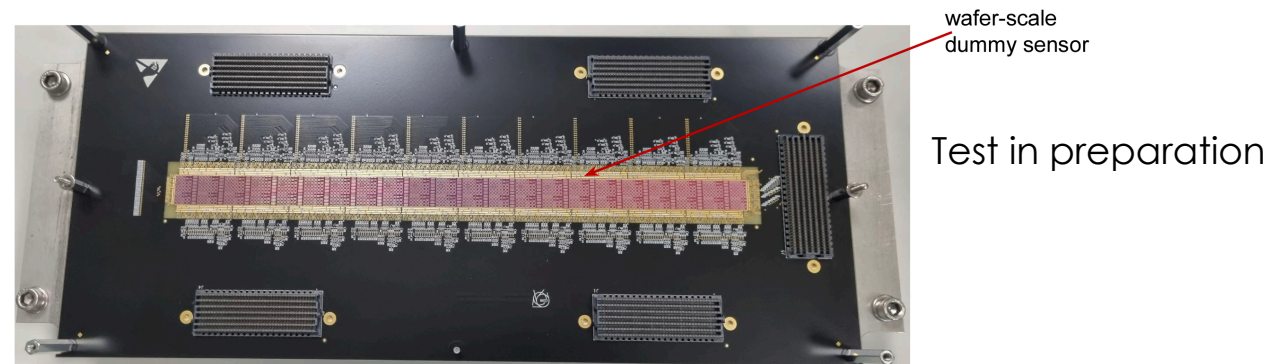
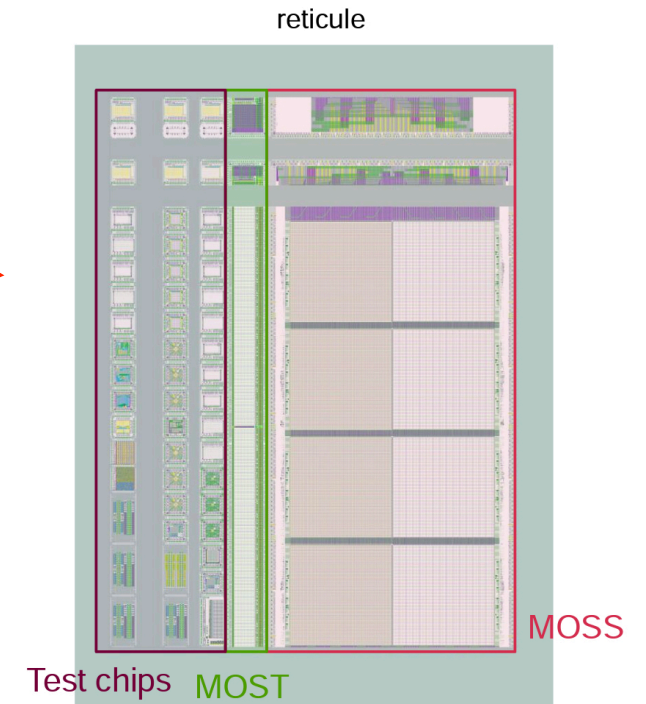
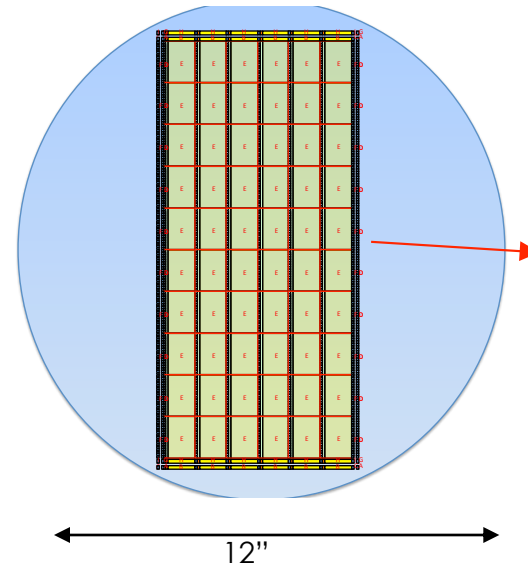
2nd submission: Engineer Run 1 (ER1)

- Main goal = exercise stitching (in 1D) to assess yield
- Submission November 2022
- Back from fab April 2023

- 2 long (~26 cm) sensors
 - **MOSS**: priority-encoder readout (ALPIDE-like)
 - 1.4 cm wide
 - 18 & 22.5 μm pitch
 - **MOST**: low power asynchronous readout
 - 0.25 cm wide

- Many (51) **chiplets**
 - Pixel prototypes
 - SEU test chips
 - Functional blocks (PLL, serial links)

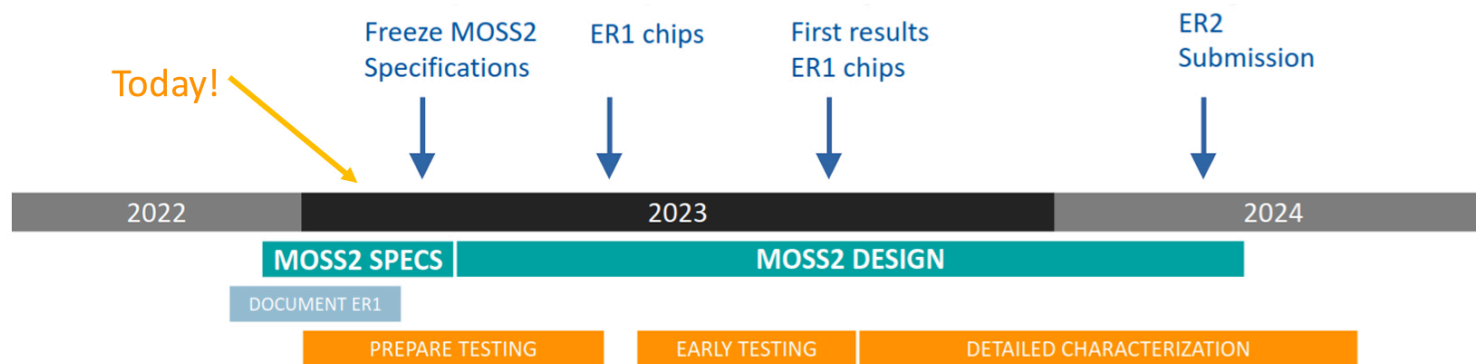
- New metal staks
- New methodology for submission
 - Digital-on-top



Towards ER2 submission



- ER2 submission will focus on a large area stitch sensor that targets the ALICE ITS3 requirements
 - Build on ER1 learned lessons
 - Increased dimensions (1.8 x 26 cm)
 - Decreased dead area (between 6.7% - 9.5%)
 - Increased readout speed (between 25.6 Gbps – 51.2 Gbps)
 - On chip power regulation for power segmentation and IRdrop compensation (~0.6% active area granularity)
- Design specifications are ongoing



20 Feb 2023 EP R&D Day | WP1.2 | Pedro Leitao

- 1st submission: **MLR1** **Pre-AIDAInnova**
 - Test structures + Functional blocs
 - Various pixel structures

Activities in 2021-23 mostly driven by CERN EP R&D-roadmap & ALICE-ITS3

} Still targeting **GENERAL GOALS** in excellent synergy with WP5

■ Design work

- Preparation for **ER2**
 - ALICE-ITS3 stitched sensors
 - **Still some chiplets**

- **3rd submission: ER2**
- Preparation for **4th submission**
 - **MLR2 with new R&D tracks**

- 4th submission ?

■ Testing work

- Finalise tests on **MLR1**
- **Start ER1 tests**
 - 1st test on stitched sensors
 - Tests on chiplets

- Continued tests on **ER1**
- Preparation of **ER2** tests

- Tests of **ER2**

■ Question addressed

⇒ **Techno validation**

- Yield with stitching
- Handling/bending of thin & large (<100cm²) area
- Performance optimisation (space & time resolution)

⇒ **Techno exploration**

- Readiness for ALICE-ITS3

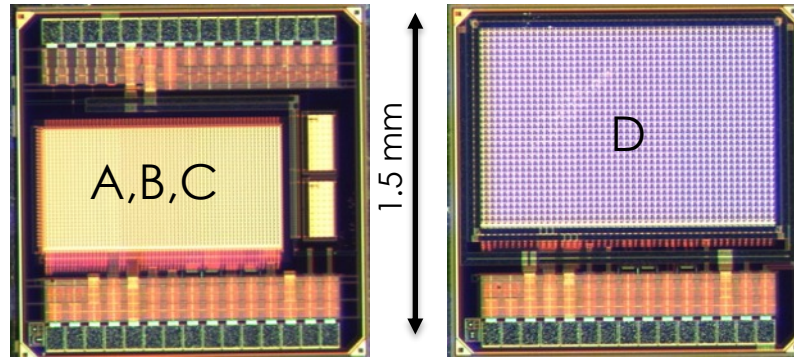
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CE-65 sensors

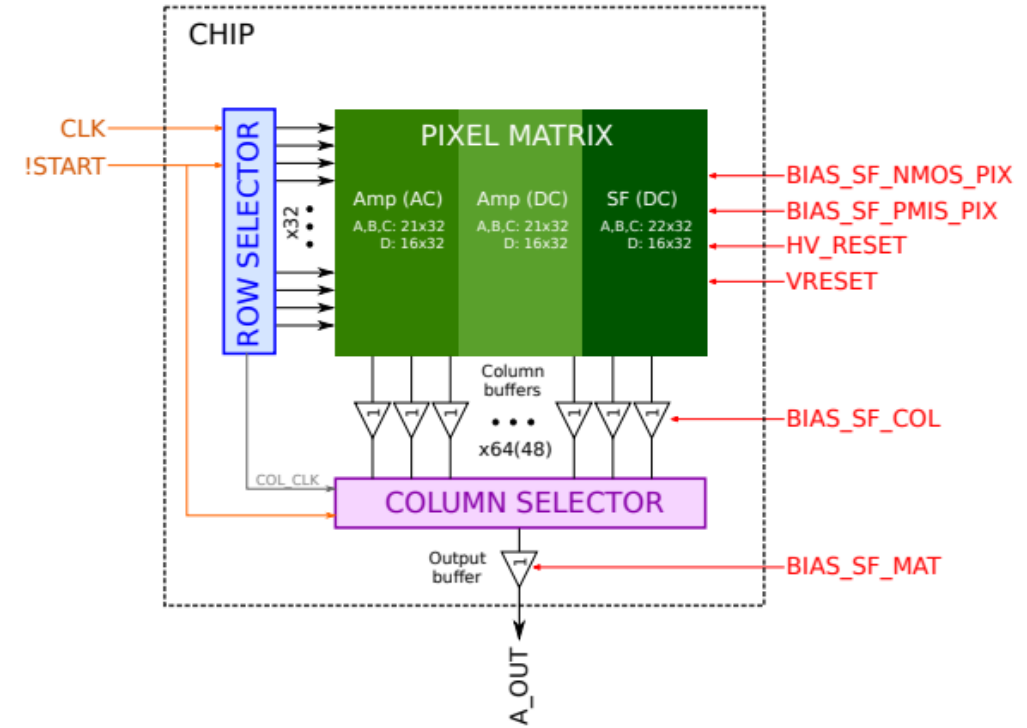
- Contribution from IPHC

■ 4 different flavours

- Square pixels
- Analogue output
- Rolling-shutter readout 10 to 40 MHz



Variant	pitch	Matrix size	Front-ends	Collection diode structure	Split
A	15 μm	64x32	DC-SF, DC-Amp, AC-Amp	Basic	1-4
B				Blanket w gaps	
C				Blanket	
D	25 μm	48x32	basic		



Note:

- AC-coupled front-end allows sensitive volume biasing without backside voltage