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# Particle ID and Photon Detector R&D for FCC

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Detector R&D collaborations are being set up to implement the ECFA R&D Roadmap

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I will summarize the contributions presented there that may be relevant to the FCC programme (although to be honest they were mostly not “for FCC”)

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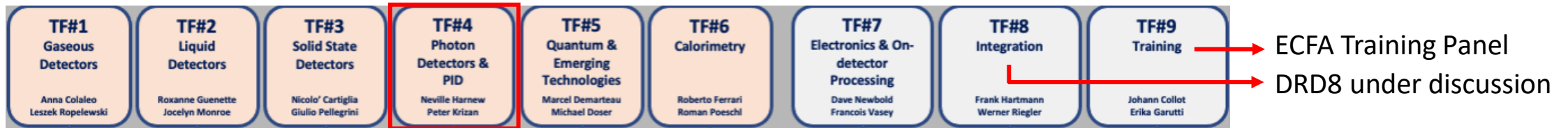
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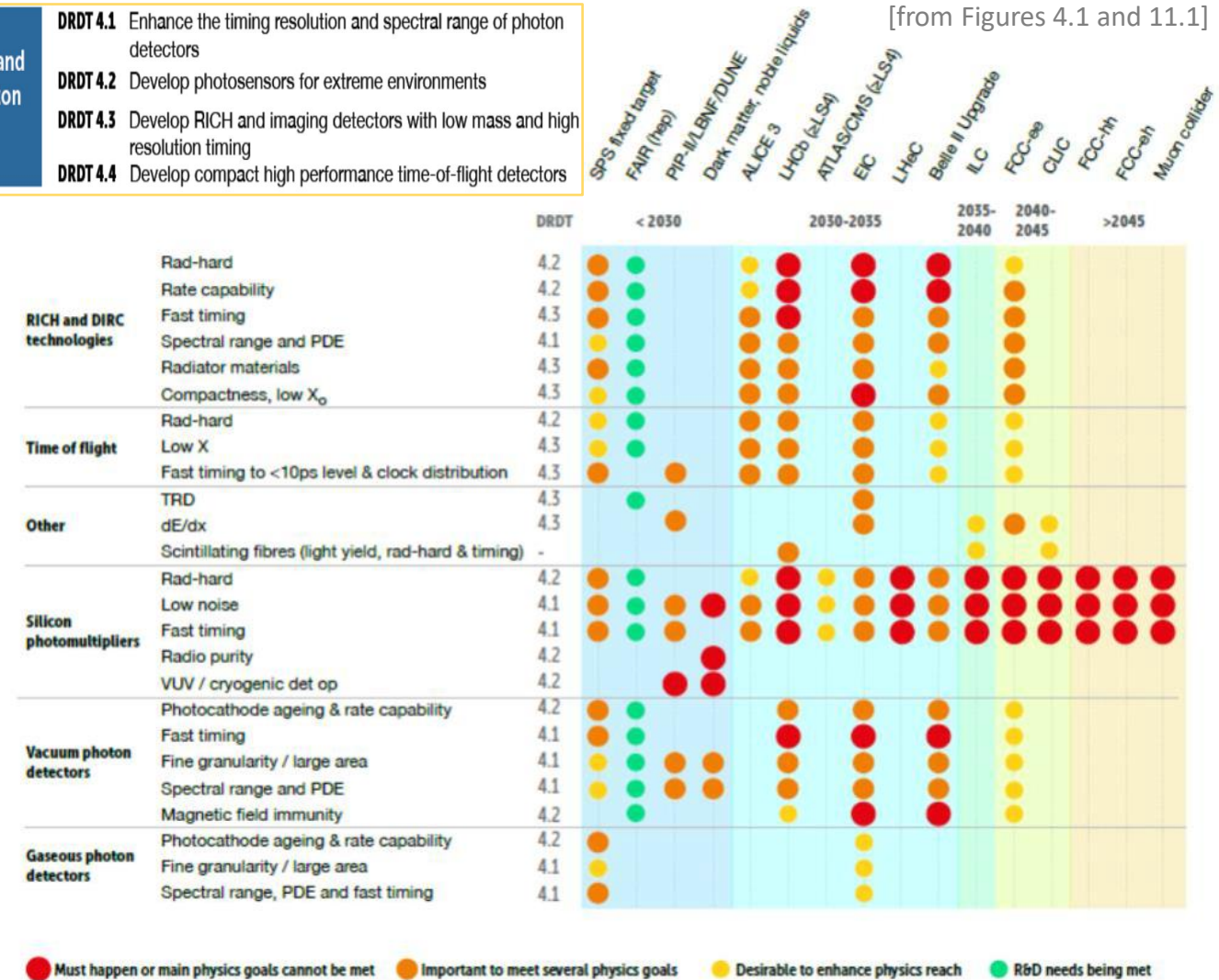
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[from Figures 4.1 and 11.1]





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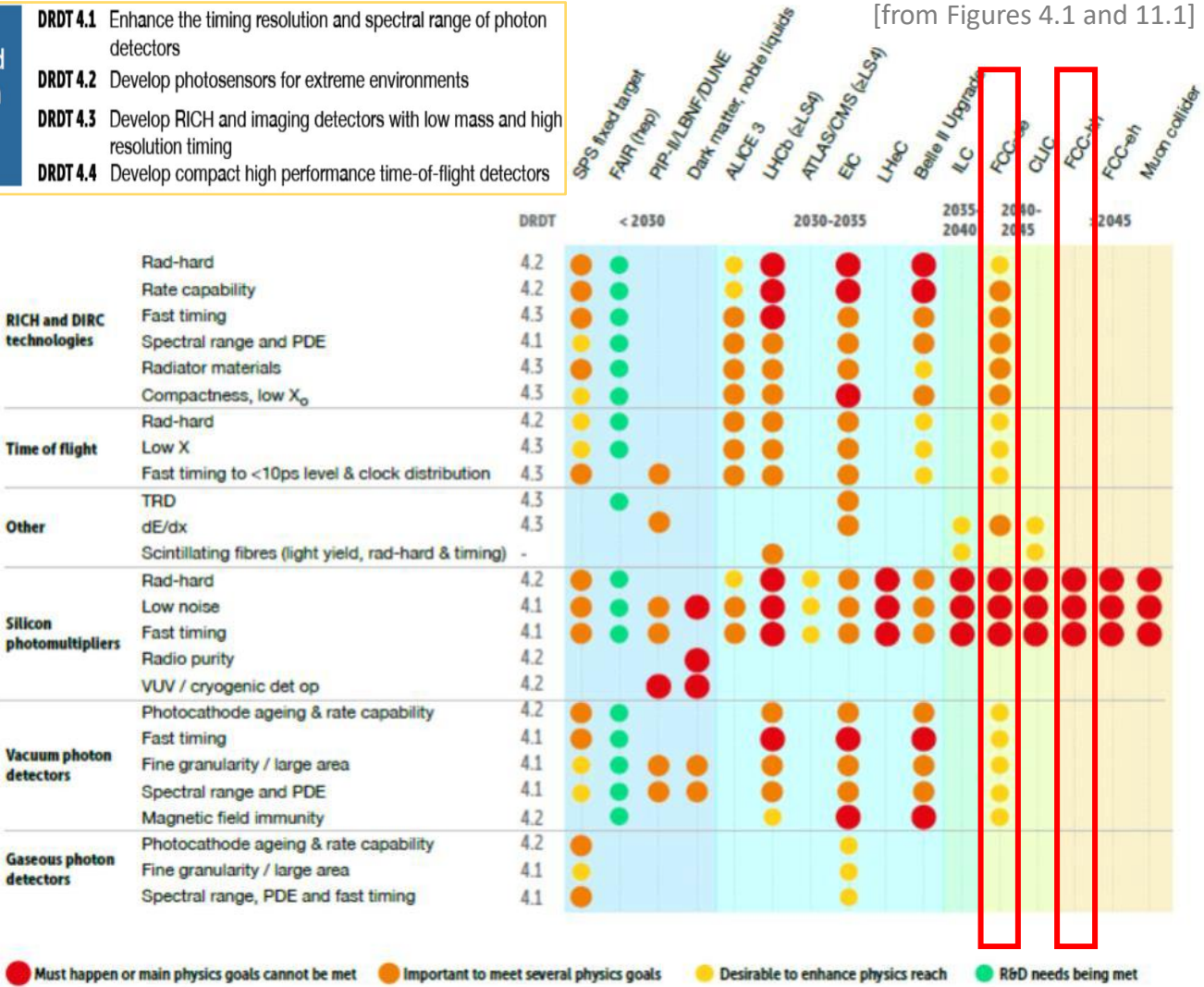
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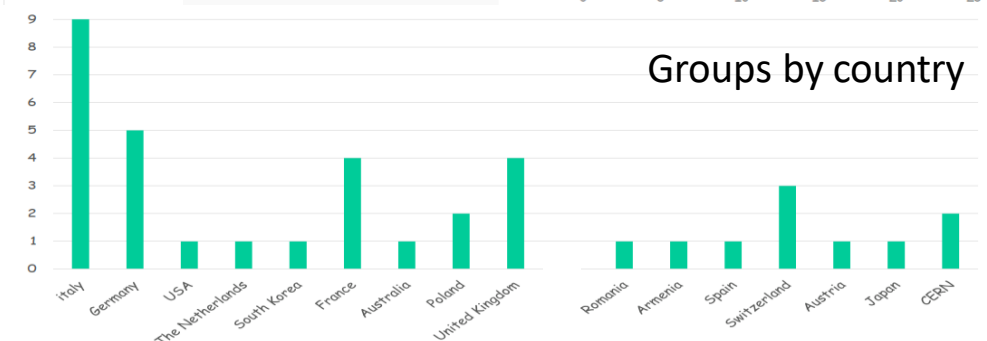
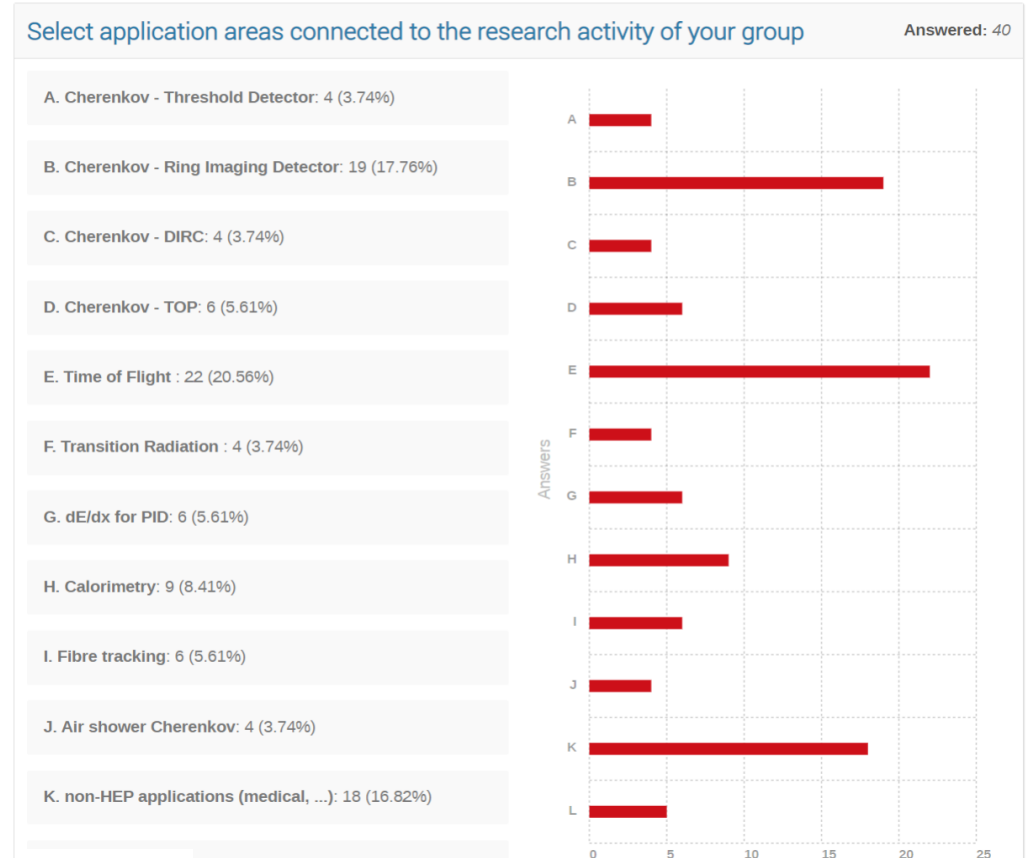
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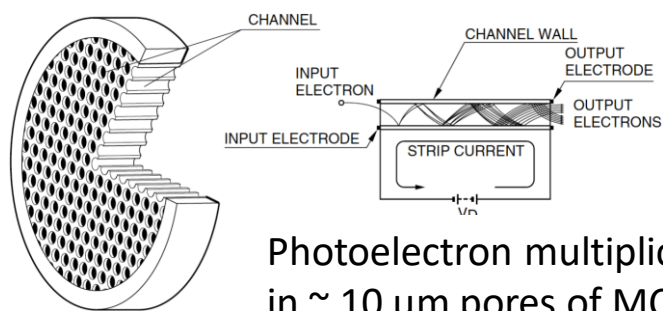
- **47** groups participated in the survey, widely spread
- Note that *all* photon detector R&D is covered by DRD4, not only that needed for particle ID detectors  
→ applications in calorimetry and fibre trackers requiring photon detection should also be covered (although main focus is on single-photon sensitivity)
- Boundaries with other DRDs are being clarified:
  - $dE/dx + dN/dx$  in gaseous detectors → **DRD1**
  - Timing with solid-state detectors such as LGADs → **DRD3** even if used for Time-of-Flight (TOF)
  - Scintillating-fibre tracking is *included* in **DRD4**
  - Transition Radiation detectors too? (in discussion)
- Not much explicit reference made to FCC in the responses apart from the compact RICH proposal (ARC)  
Most ongoing R&D activities have nearer-term targets (LS4 upgrades of LHCb/ALICE, the EIC, etc.)

## Group interests

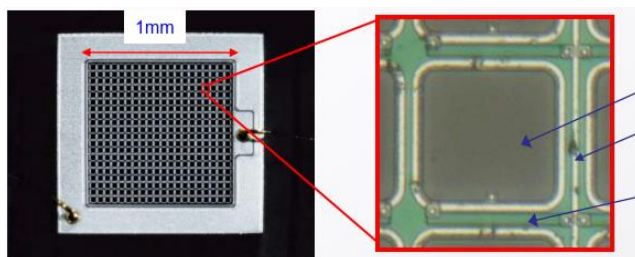


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Photoelectron multiplication  
in  $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$  pores of MCP



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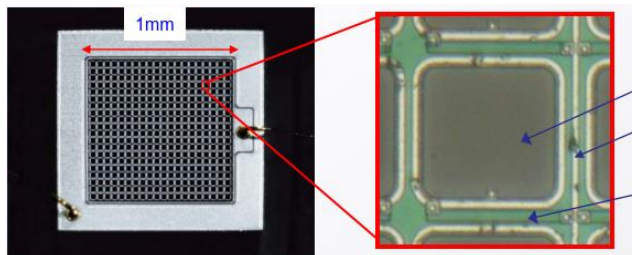
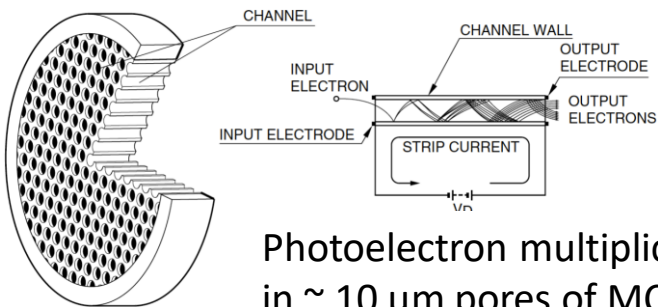
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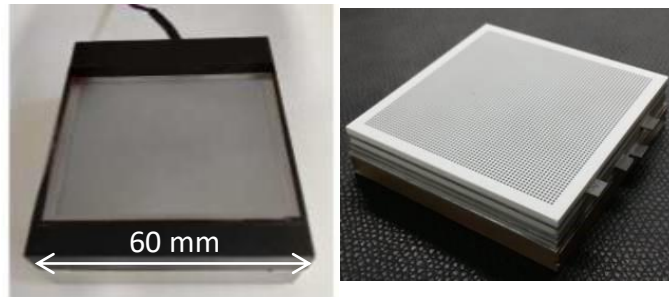
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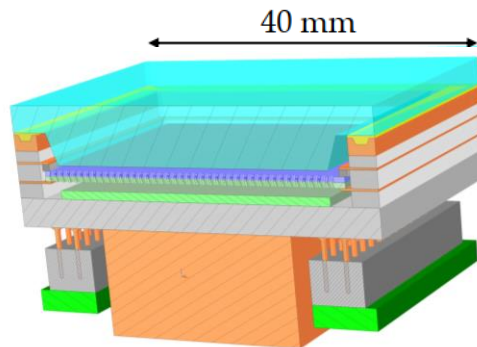


# MCP-PMTs

- Under evaluation for LHCb RICH, TORCH, PANDA, HIKE, etc.



MCP with 64 x 64 anode pads (Photek)



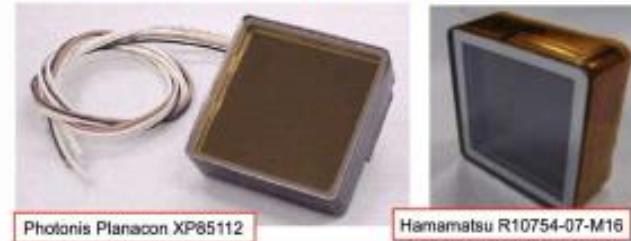
R&D to develop an MCP with integrated Timepix4 chip ( $55 \times 55 \mu\text{m}^2$  pixels)

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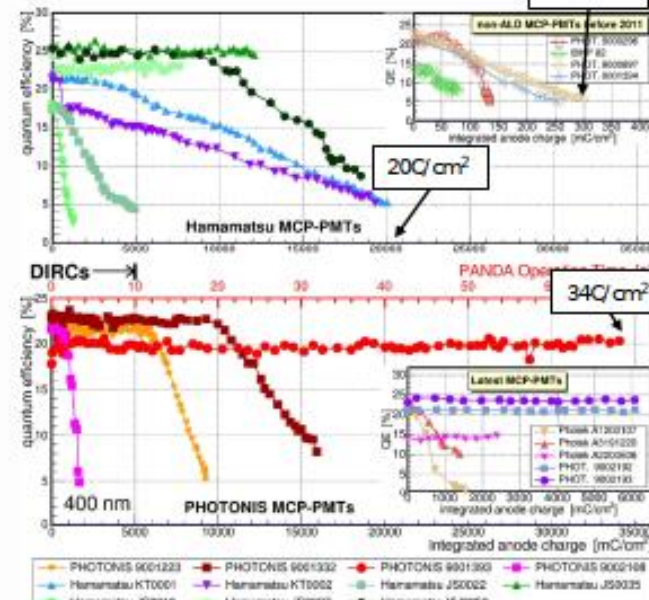
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Extremely good time resolution  $< 70$  ps, custom pixelisation tailored for individual applications, **but important drawbacks** related to lifetime and rate capability: R&D ongoing

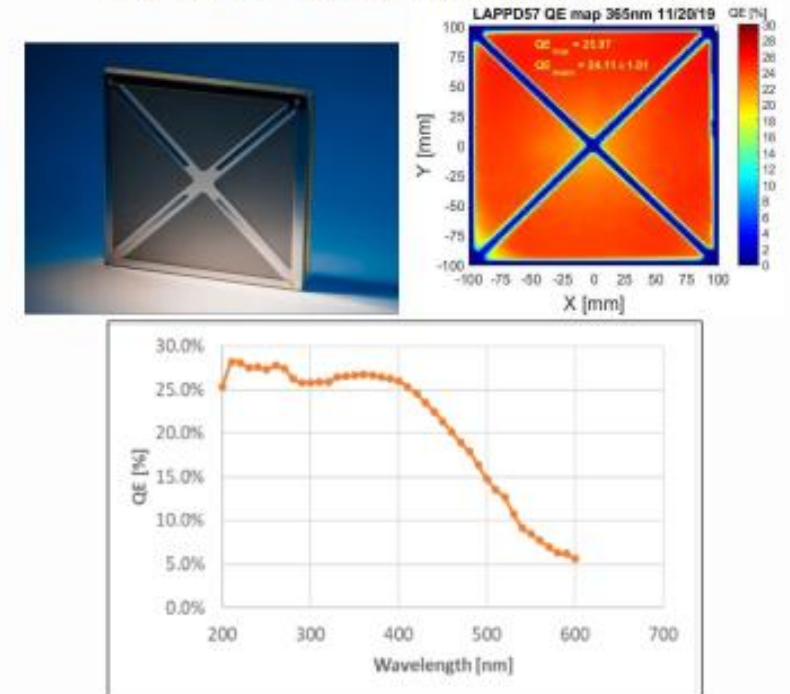
Conventional MCPs



Status in 2023



Large Area Picosecond PhotoDetector



Fused Silica 3.8mm Window (LAPPD #63)

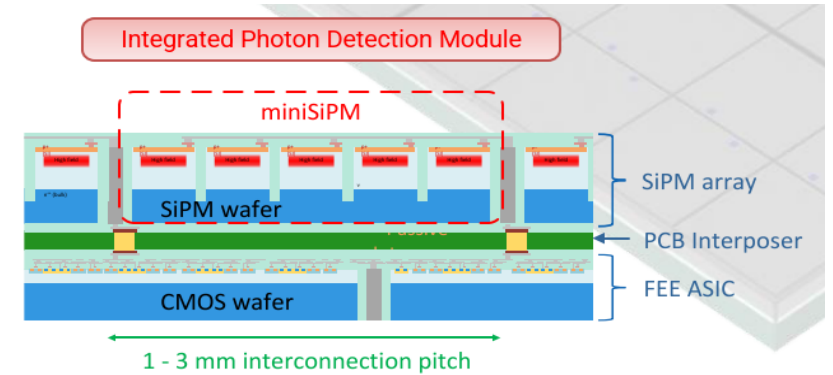
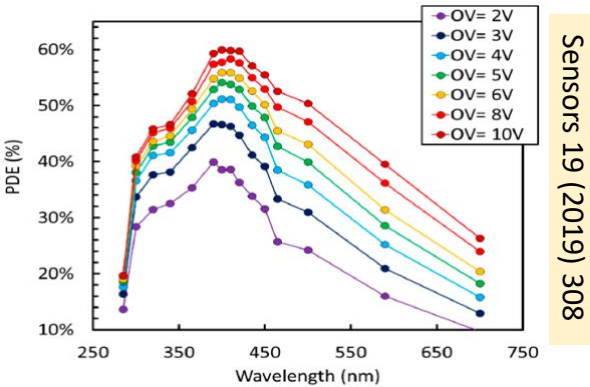
R&D to investigate possible options of low-gain MCPs: MCP-HPD [JINST 13 C12005 2018]

Silvia Gambetta

PID and photodetector R&D for FCC

# SiPM developments

- + High detection efficiency, low cost
- High noise (DCR), neutron damage
- Many lines being followed towards more integrated sensor + electronics
- Detailed presentation made by FBK



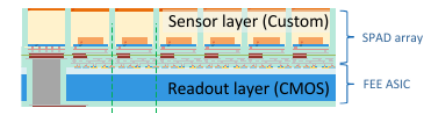
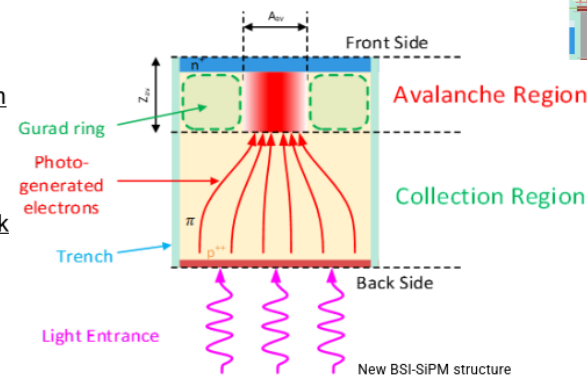
## 2.5D and 3D Integration Next-generation development: Backside Illuminated SiPMs

The next-generation of developments, currently being investigated at FBK, is building a *backside-illuminated, NUV-sensitive SiPM*. Several technological challenges should be overcome.

Clear *separation between charge collection and multiplication regions*.

### Potential Advantages:

- Up to 100% FF even with small cell pitch
- Ultimate Interconnection density: < 15  $\mu\text{m}$
- High speed and dynamic range
- Low gain and external crosstalk
- (Uniform) entrance window on the backside, ideal for enhanced optical stack (VUV sensitivity, nanophotonics)
- Local electronics: ultra fast and possibly low-power.



## 3D-integrated SiPM

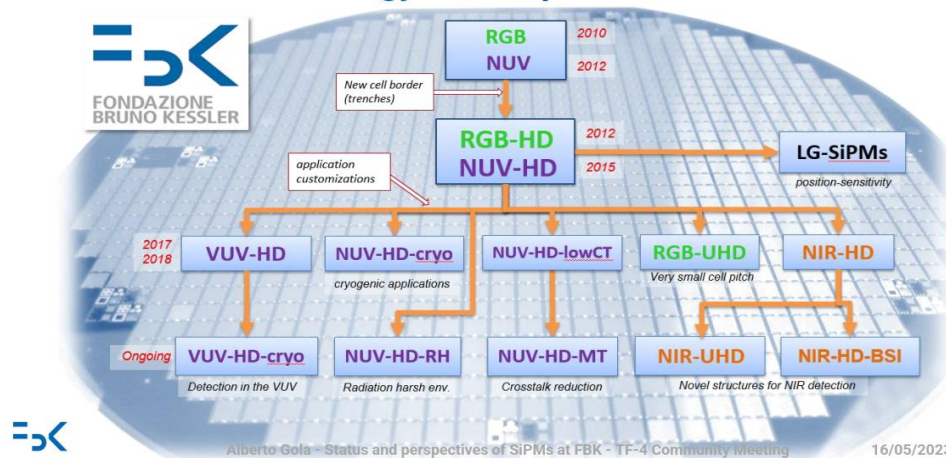


### Radiation hardness:

- The SiPM area sensitive to radiation damage, is much smaller than the light sensitive area
- Assumption: the main source of DCR is field-enhanced generation (or tunneling).

## Fondazione Bruno Kessler Custom SiPM technology roadmap

Alberto Gola

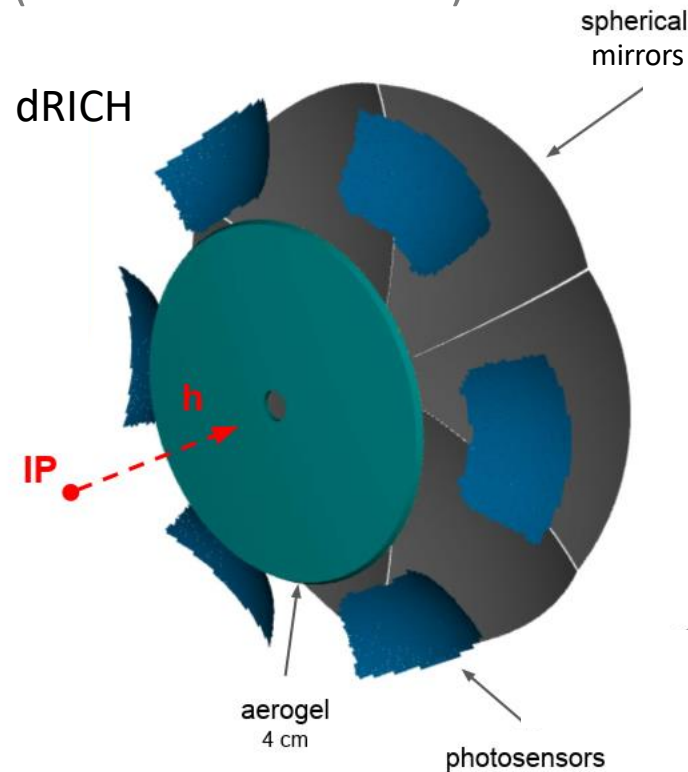
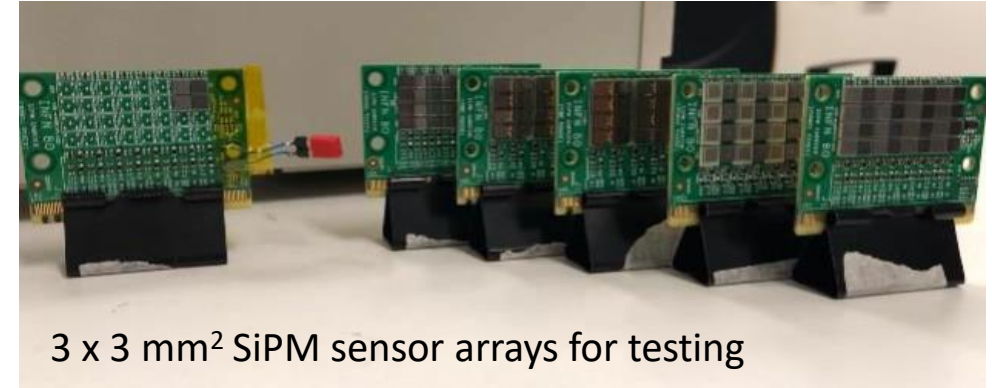




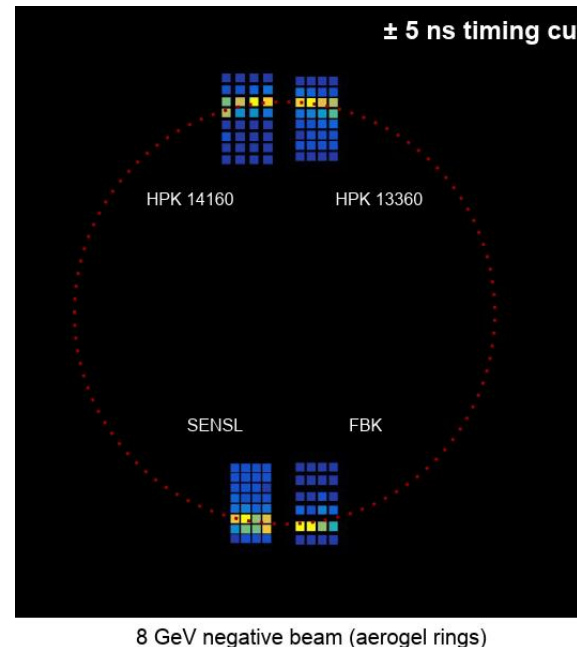
# SiPM studies for EIC

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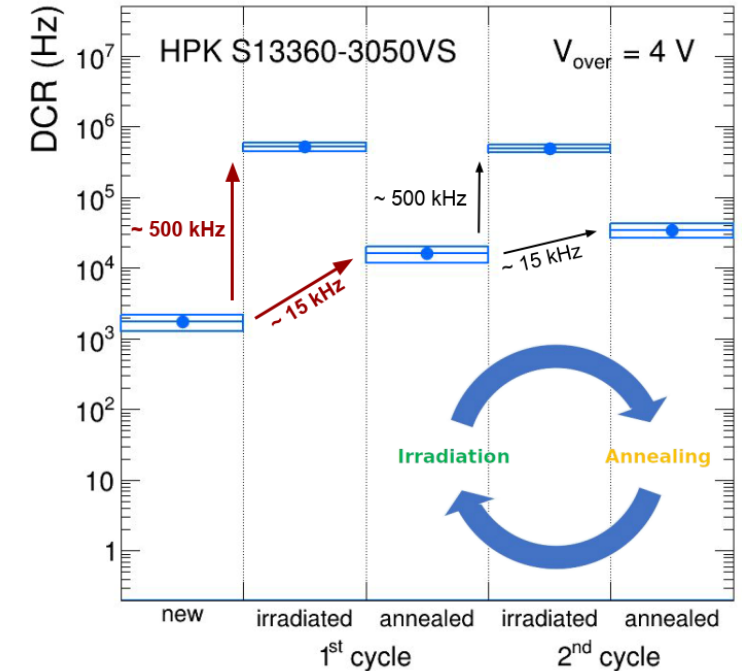
- A dual-radiator RICH is being studied for the EIC SiPM arrays from various vendors under test
- Substantial increase in the dark count rate with irradiation ( $10^9 n_{eq}$ ), largely recovered by annealing (150 hours at  $150^\circ\text{C}$ )



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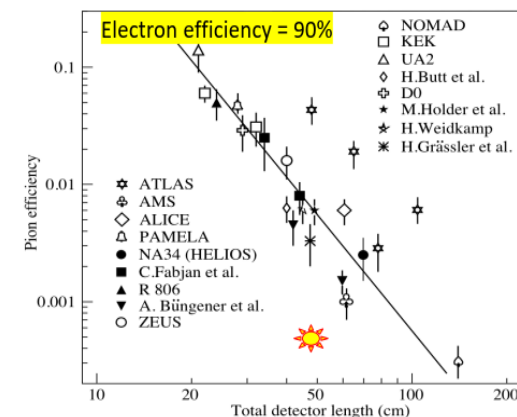
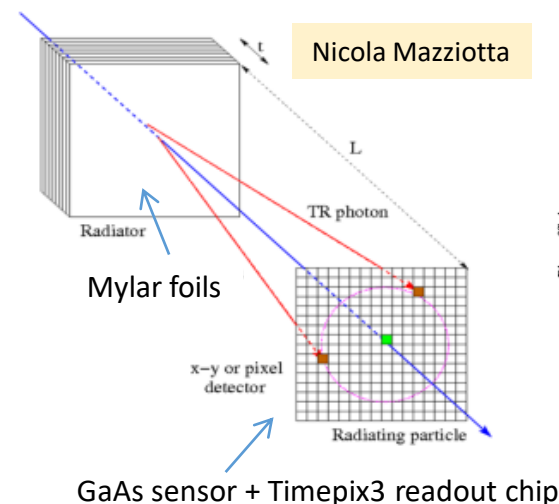




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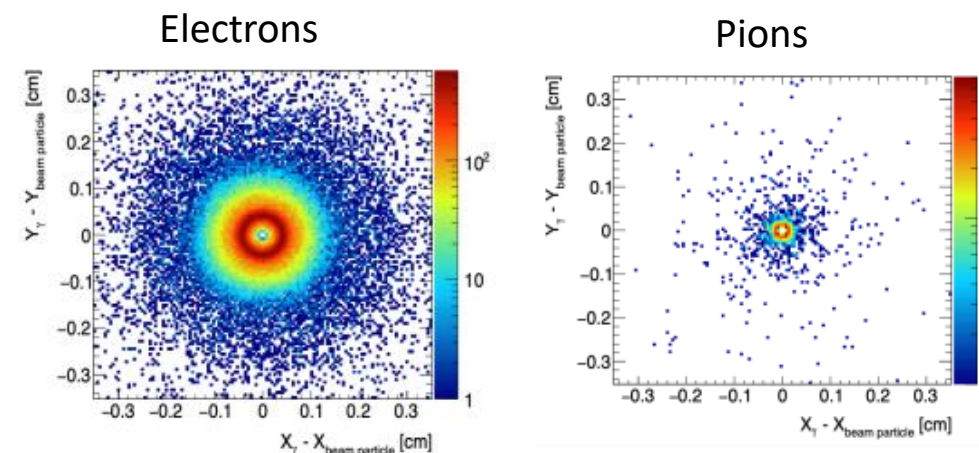


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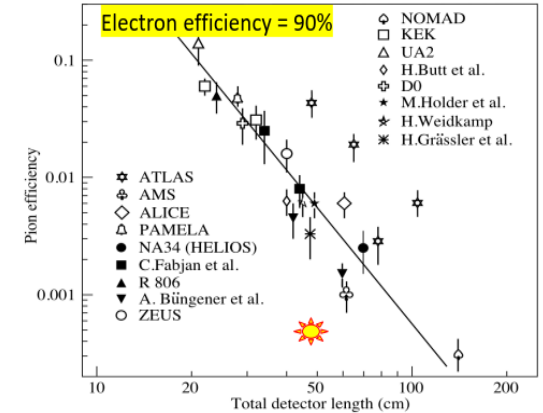
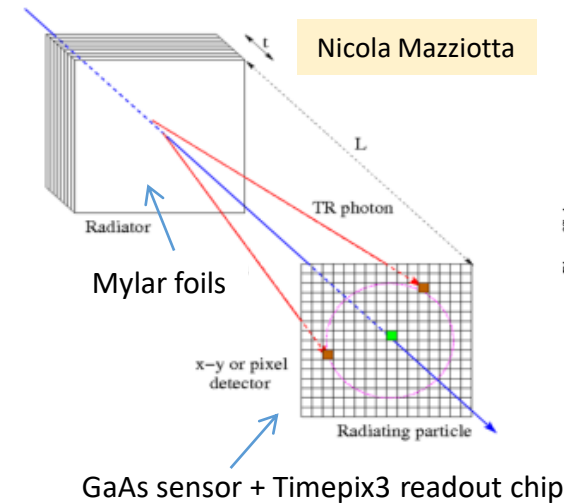


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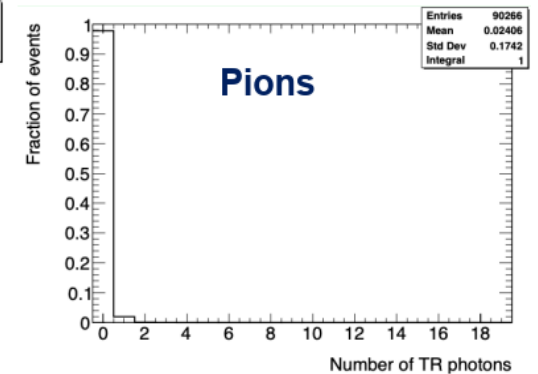
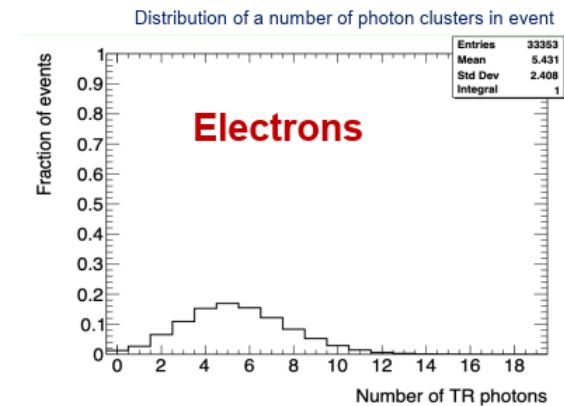


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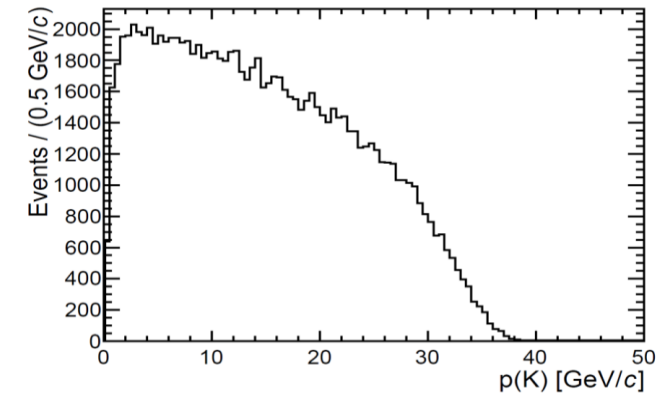


# Particle ID for FCC-ee

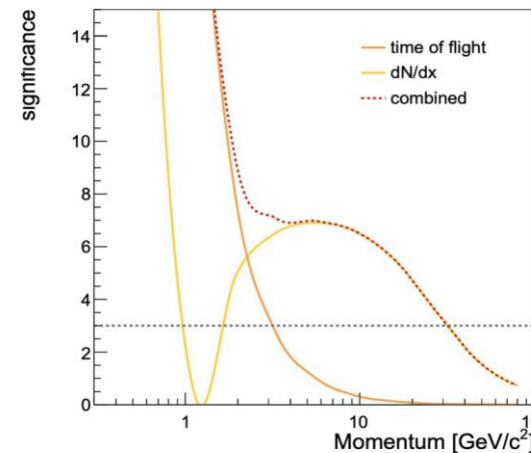
- Experiments designed for Higgs Factories have traditionally concentrated on precision tracking + particle-flow calorimetry
- Recent increased interest for adding **charged-hadron separation**
  - identify  $H \rightarrow bb, cc, ss$  and  $W \rightarrow ud, cs$  decays
  - measure more precisely Z couplings to quarks  $R_b, R_c, A_{FB}$  etc.
  - exploit *flavour physics* enabled by the huge statistics at the Z
- Momentum range required =  $\sim 1\text{--}40 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Cluster counting** in gaseous trackers ( $\rightarrow$  DRD1)  
Requires (modest) TOF to cover overlap region
- RICH** technique is also well suited, in particular for those experiments with silicon trackers

How to fit a RICH detector in a  $4\pi$  experiment?  $\rightarrow$  ARC concept, first [presented](#) at FCC week of 2021  
Before that, show briefly the TOF contributions

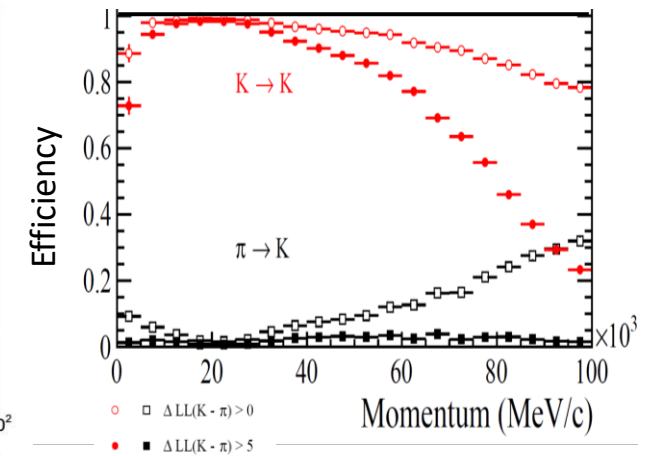
$B_s \rightarrow D_s K$  simulation in Z events



$dN/dx + \text{TOF}$  (IDEA simulation)



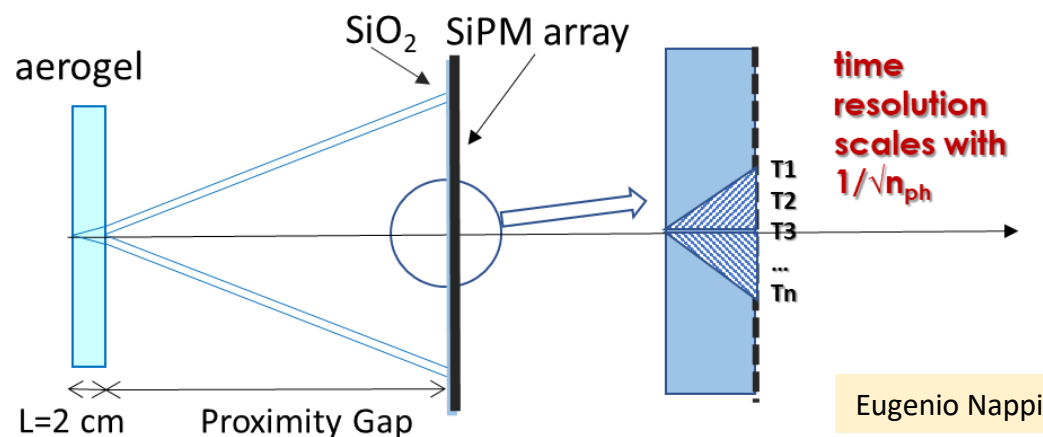
RICH performance (LHCb)





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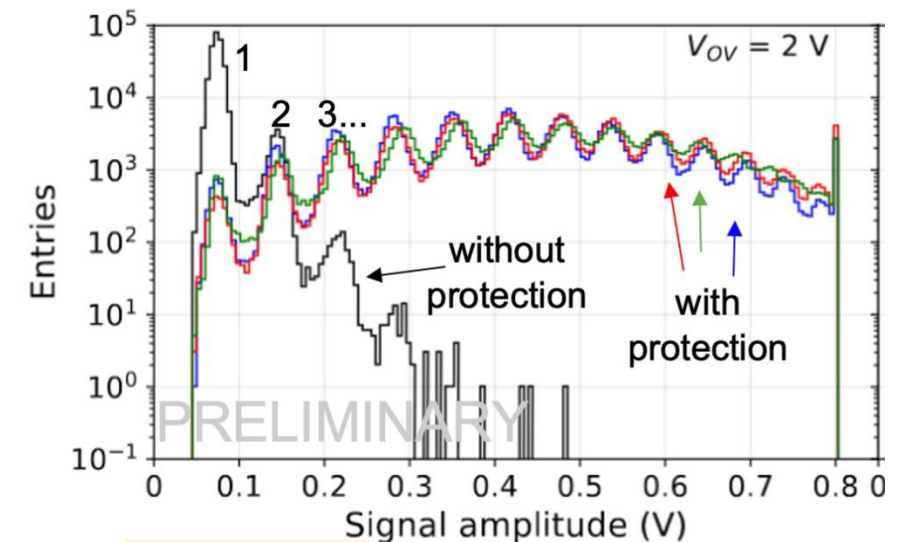
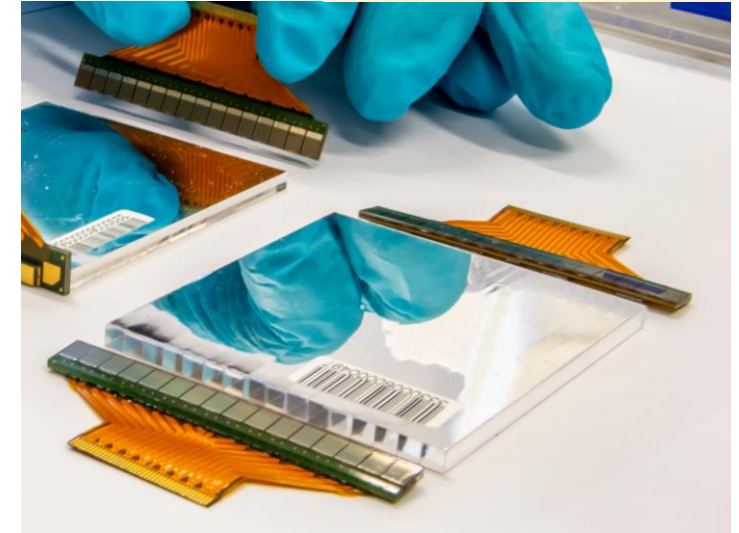
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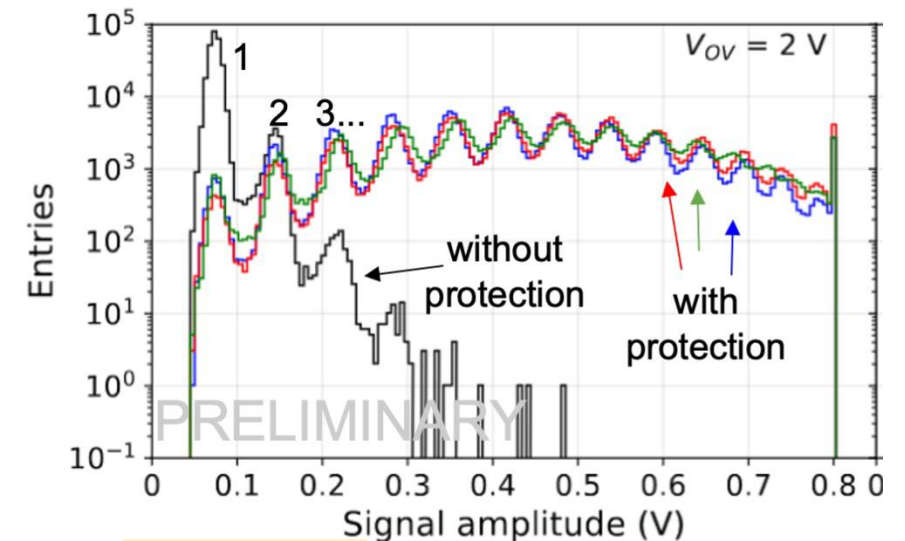
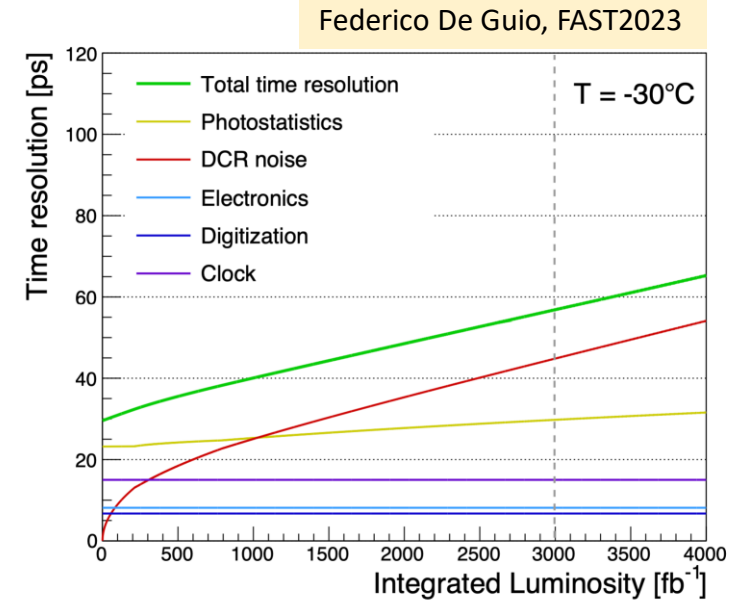
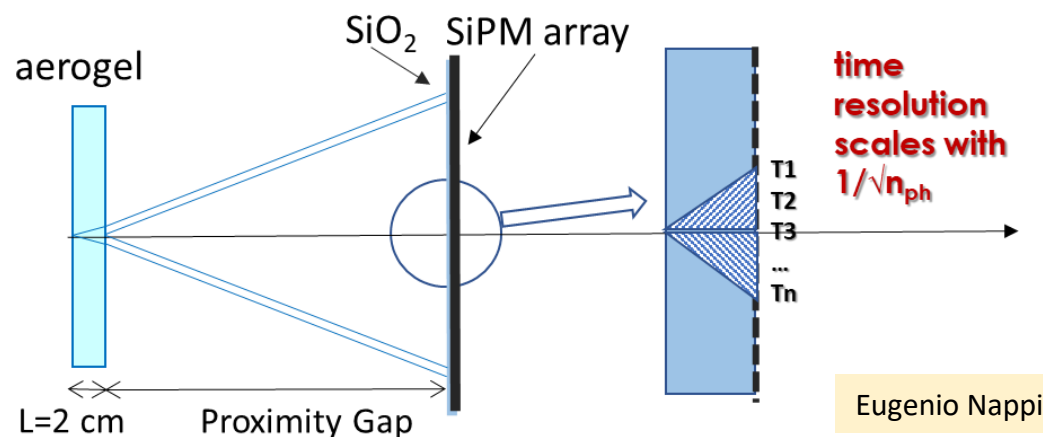
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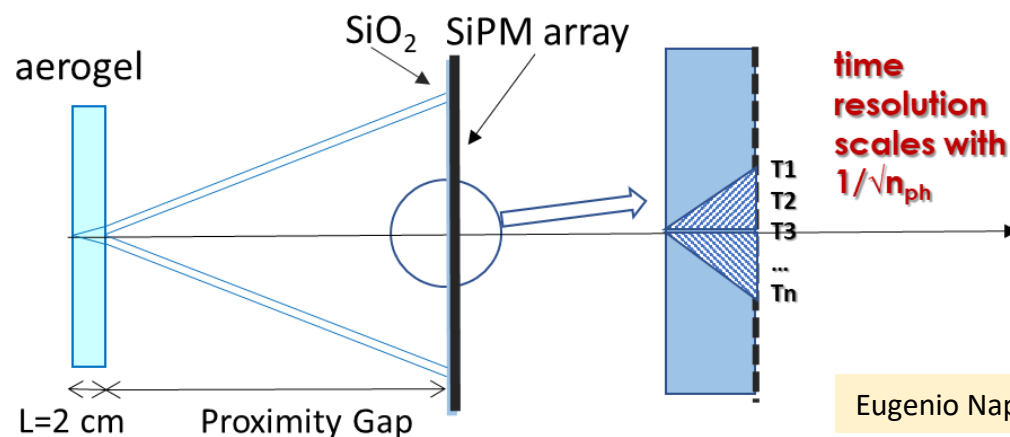
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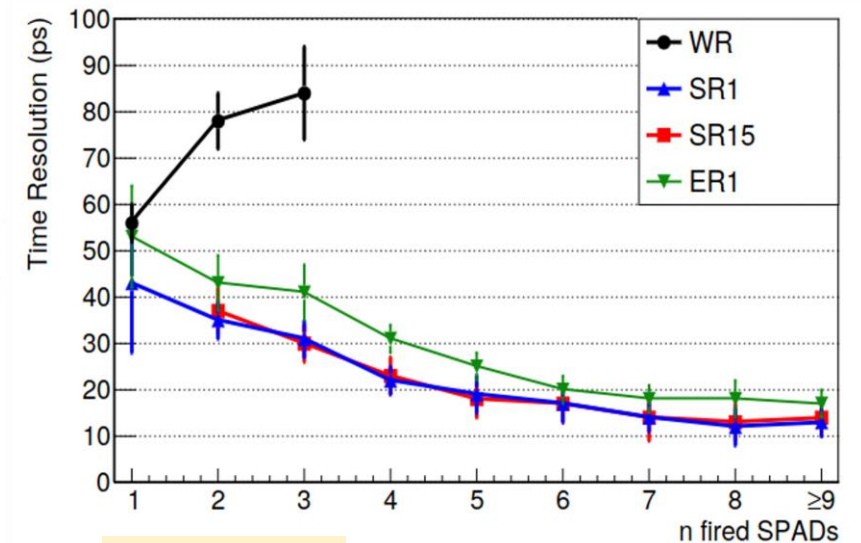
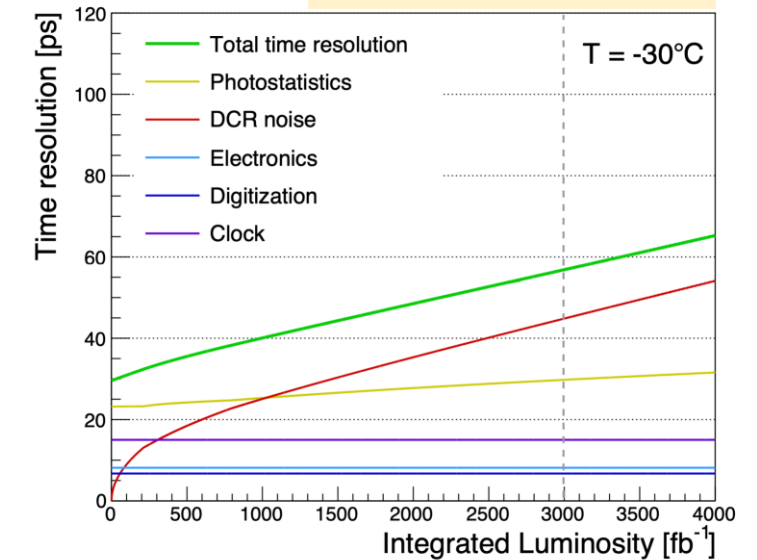
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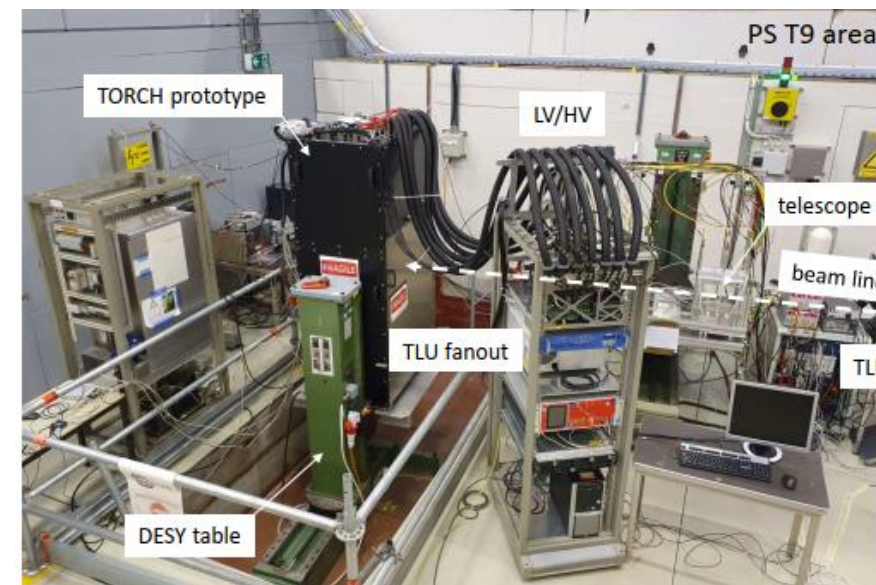
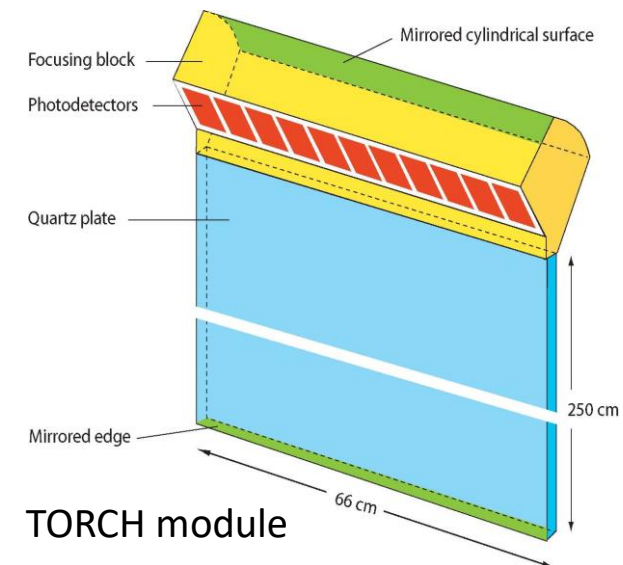
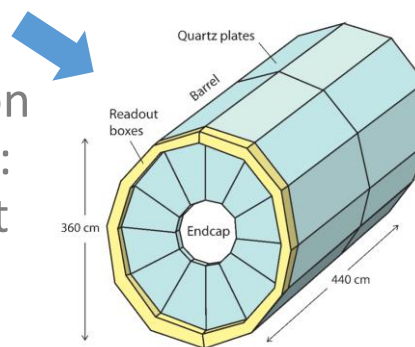


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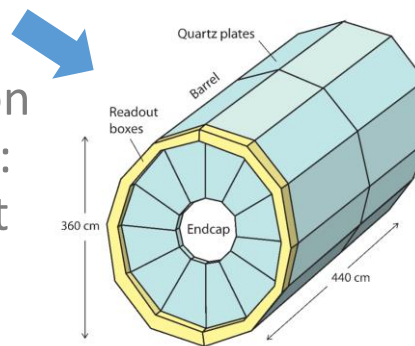
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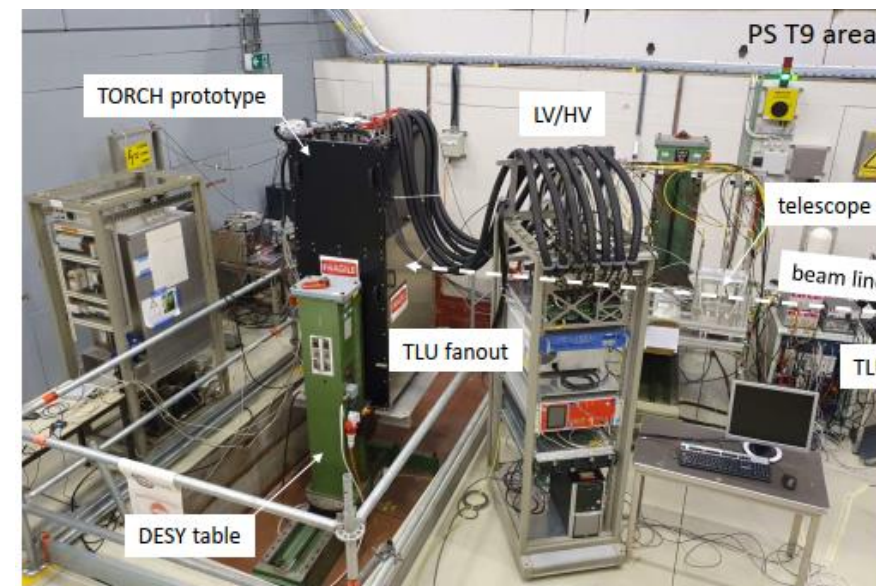
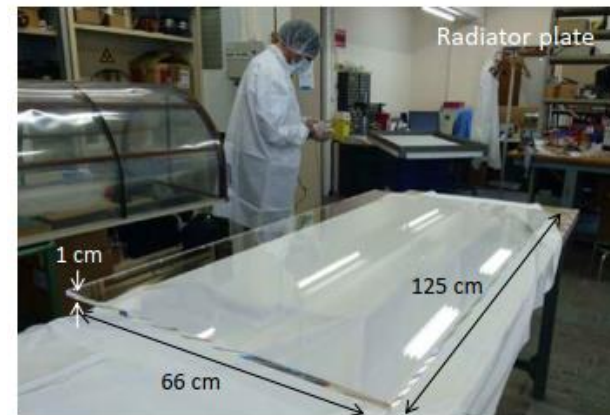


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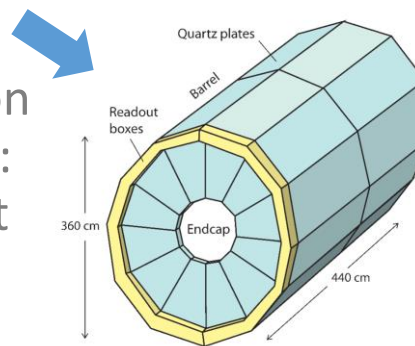
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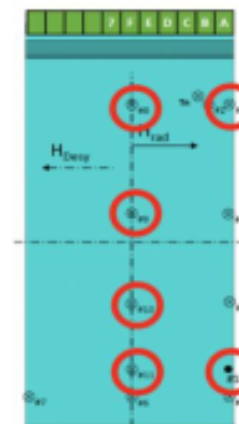


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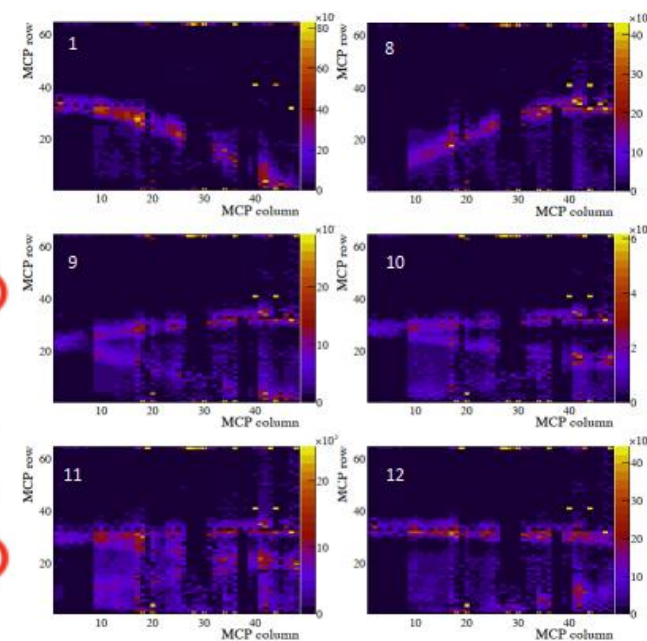
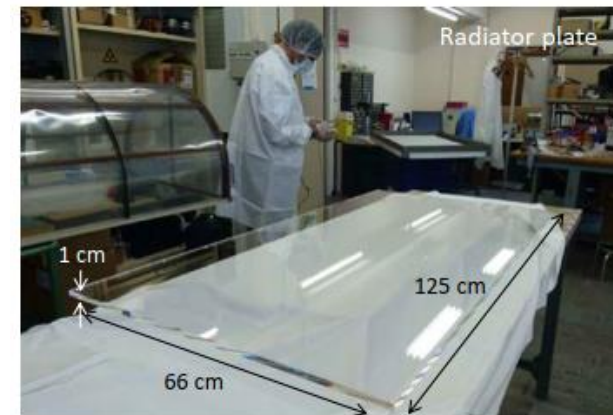
- TORCH uses a DIRC-like solution to push TOF beyond the current state-of-the-art towards **10 ps** resolution per track over large areas
- Adopted for the Upgrade II of LHCb, to be installed in LS4 [LHCb-TDR-023](#)
- High resolution is achieved by combining the timing of  $\sim 30$  photons per track, with modest timing precision required per photon  $\sim 70$  ps achieved using custom MCP photon detectors [NIMA 1050 \(2023\) 168181](#)
- Prototype has been built and tested in beam last year with  $> 3000$  channels, to validate the concept
- Previously [presented](#) at 11<sup>th</sup> FCC-ee workshop with idea of possible application to FCC-ee
- However, LHCb performance ( $K$ - $\pi$  separation up to  $\sim 10$  GeV/c) relies on 10 m flight path: difficult to achieve in an FCC-ee experiment  
 $\rightarrow$  momentum coverage would be more limited but may still be interesting



Beam images:  
photon patterns  
across the MCP  
array



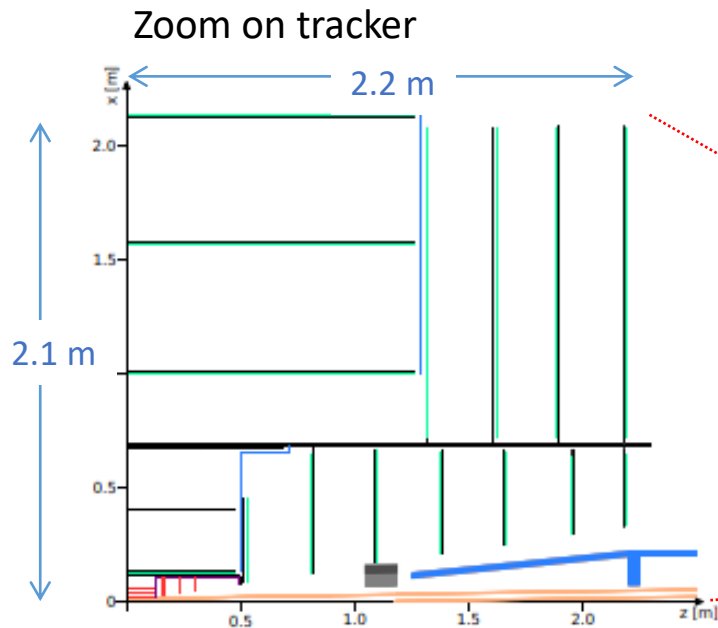
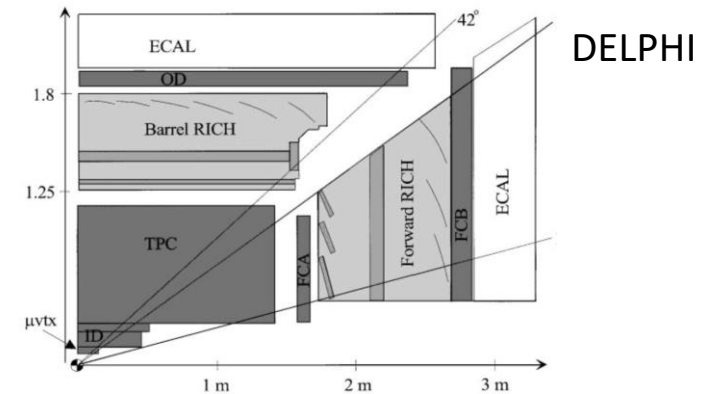
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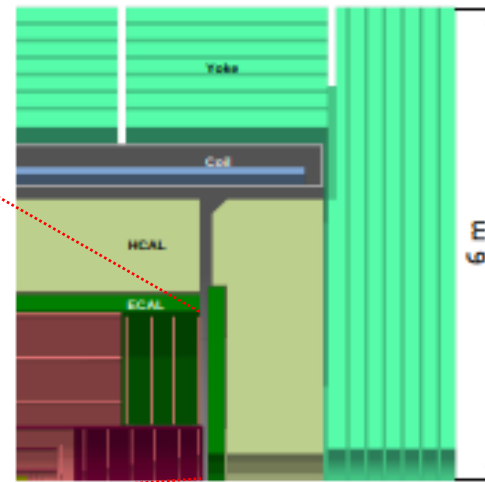


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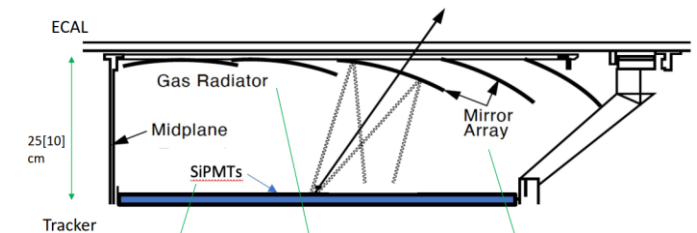


A quarter of CLD



Adapted version of SLD CRID

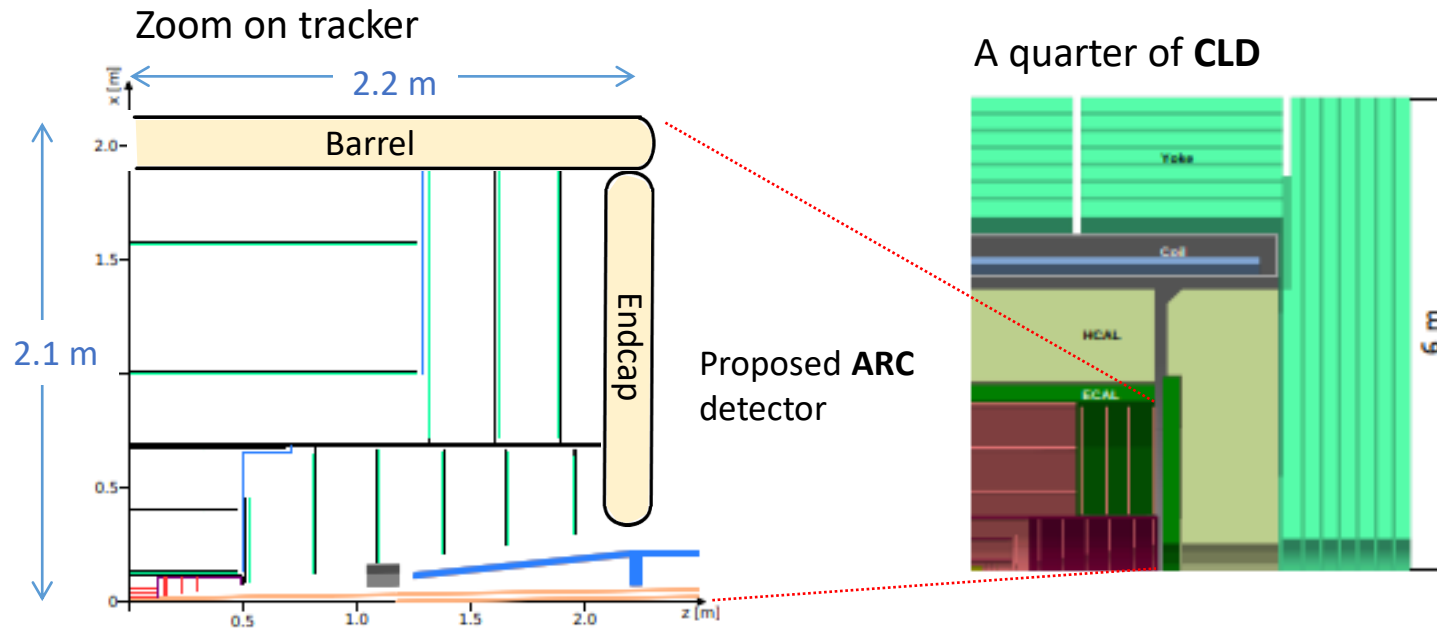
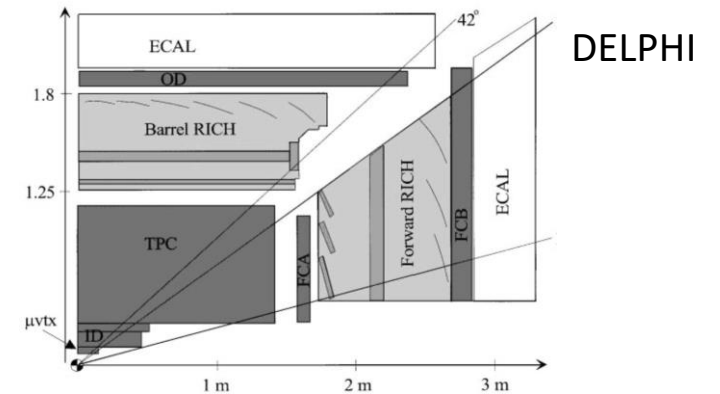
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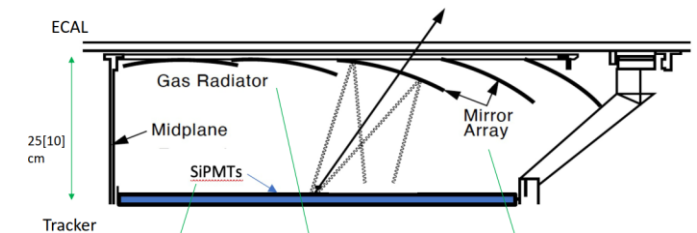
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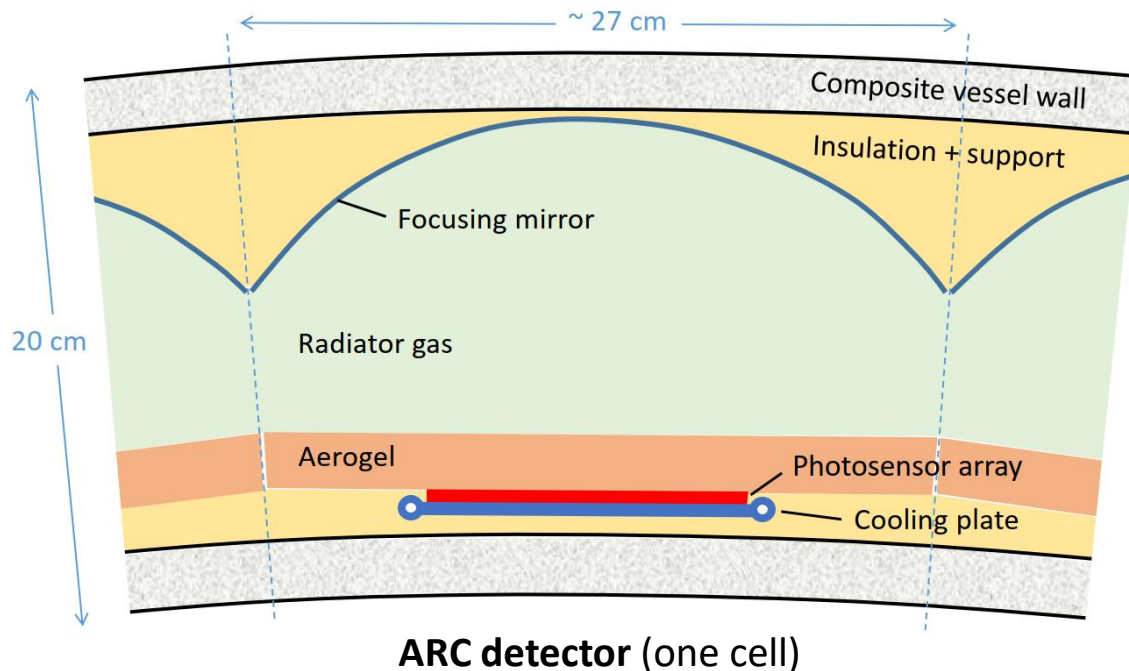
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# ARC: Array of RICH Cells

- Challenge to arrange optical elements so that Cherenkov light focused onto a single sensor plane, as the detector radial thickness is reduced
- Concept inspired by the compound-eye of an insect: tile the plane with many separate cells, each with its own mirror and sensor array
- Use spherical focusing mirrors: focal length = radius-of-curvature/2  
→ select radius-of-curvature  $R \approx 30$  cm for radiator thickness of 15 cm



Roger Forty

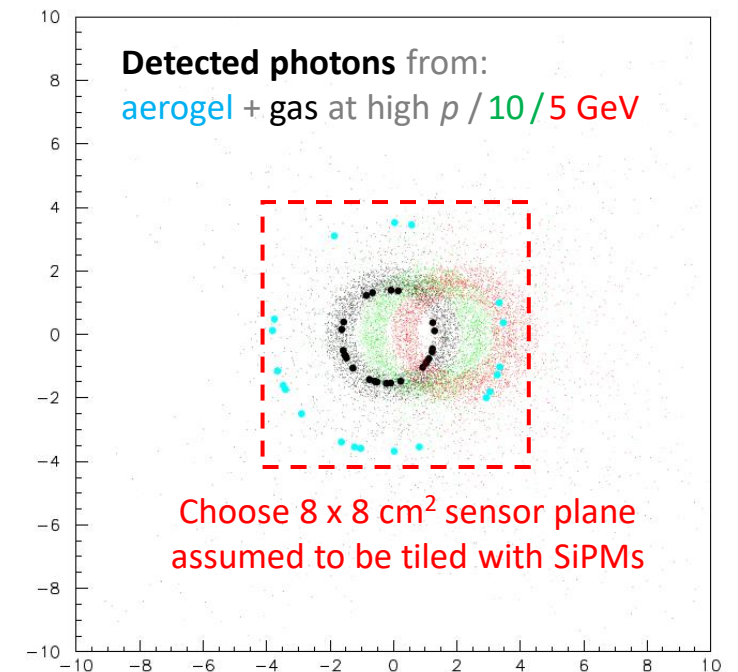
PID and photodetector R&amp;D for FCC

Simulate tracks from IP crossing detector uniformly over acceptance and ray trace Cherenkov photons to sensor plane:

Ring radii =  $R \cdot \theta_c / 2$   
 $\approx 1$  cm (3.6 cm)  
 for gas (aerogel)

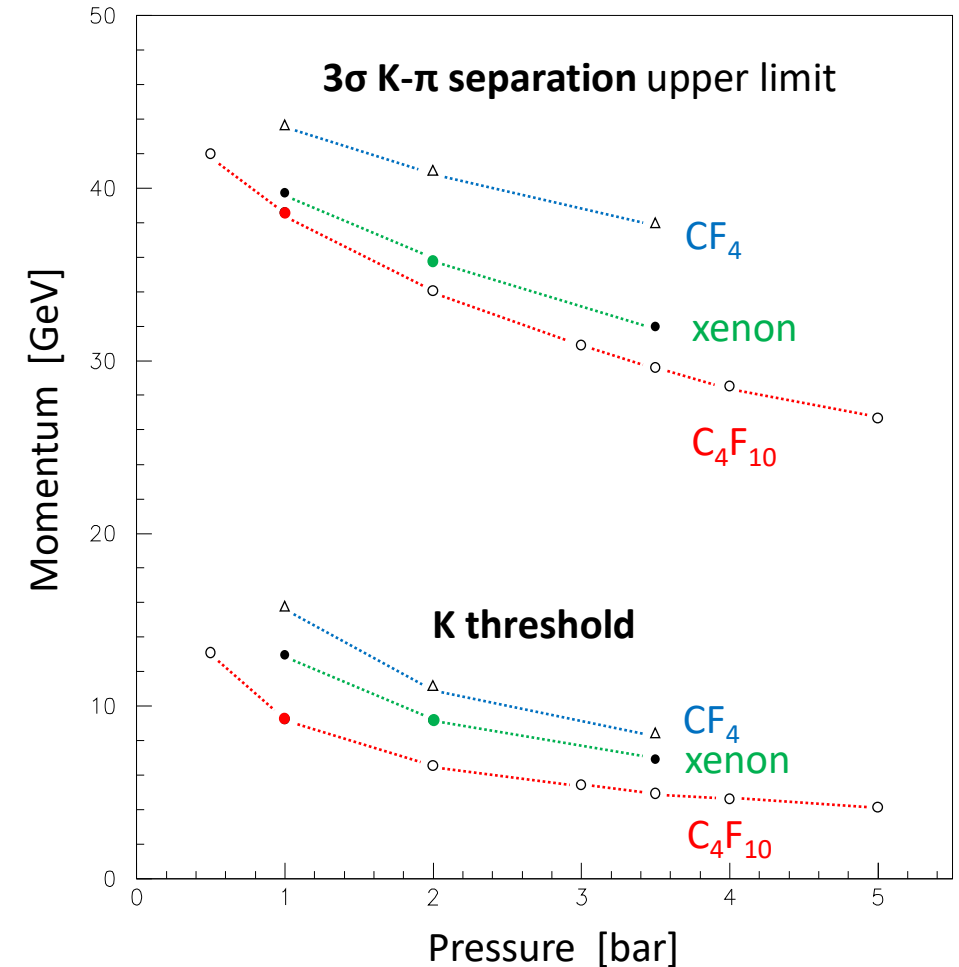
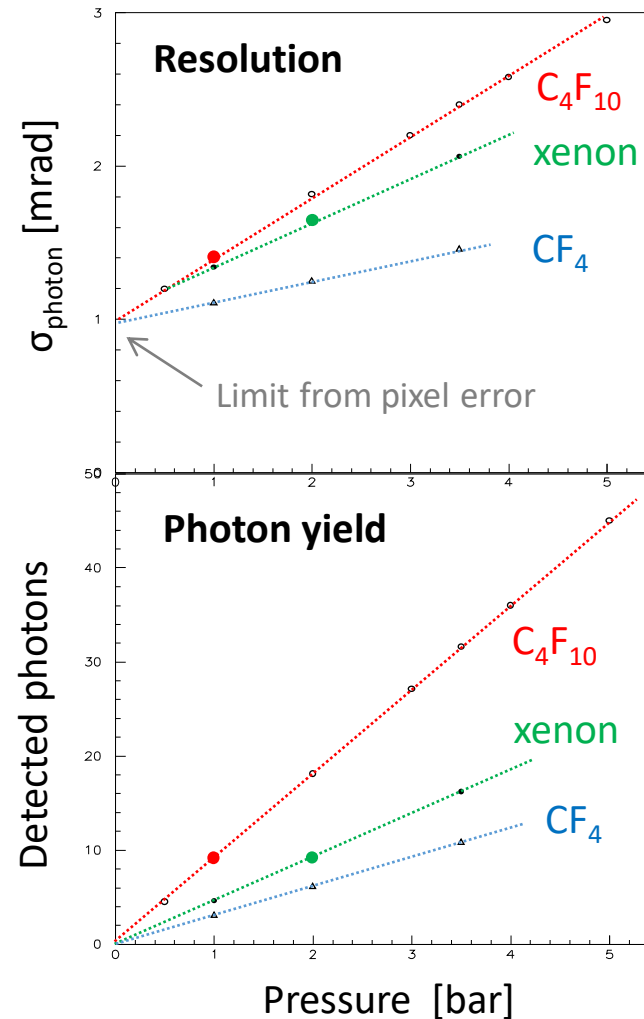


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# Radiator gas parameter scan

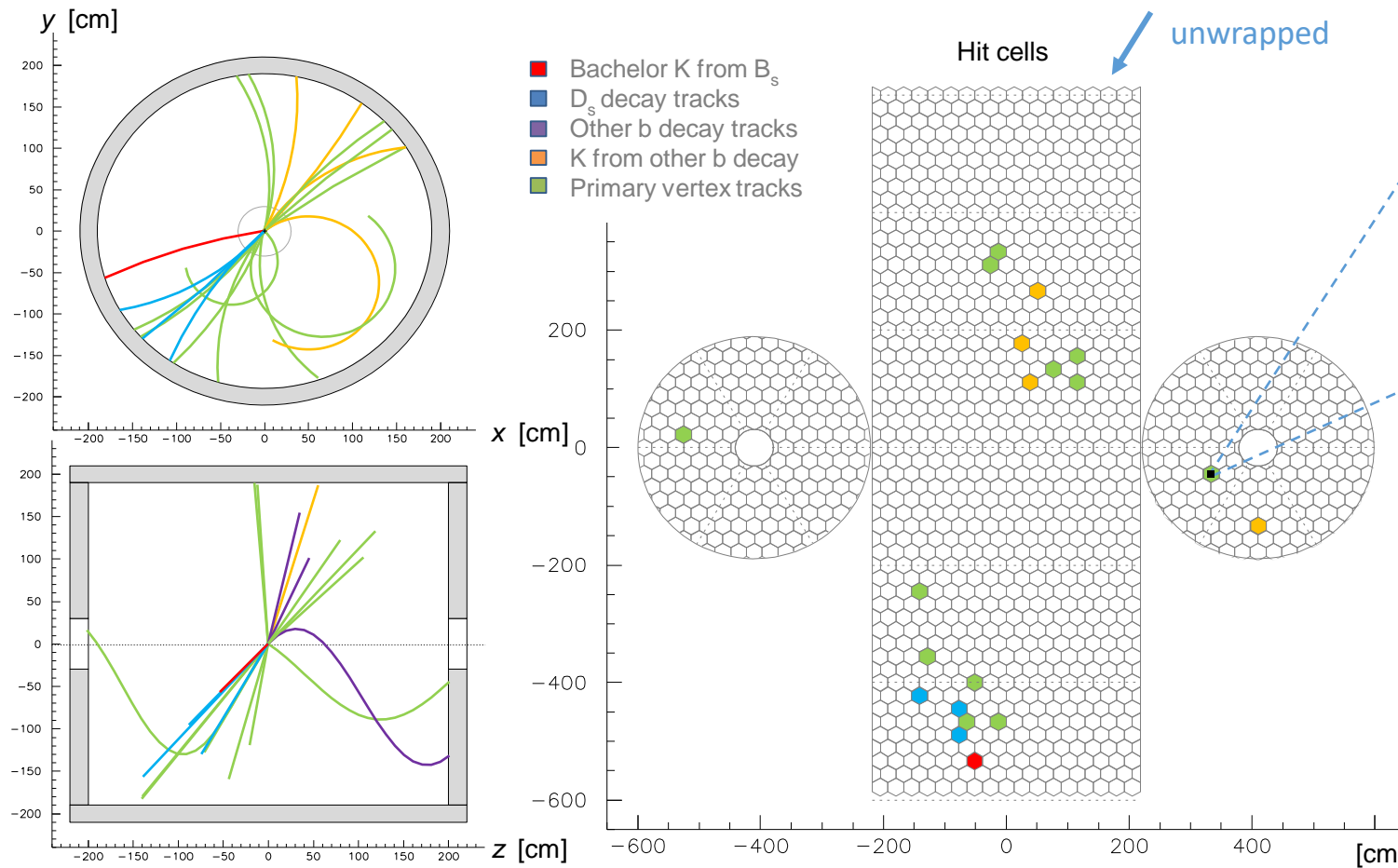
- Original concept was *pressurized* Performance studied varying the gas type and pressure
- *Outcome*: new baseline is for **unpressurized  $C_4F_{10}$** , allows material budget to be minimized
- $C_4F_{10}$  at atmospheric pressure gives good momentum range for K- $\pi$  separation, with acceptable photon yield for the parameters assumed
- **Xenon** at 2 bar may provide similar performance, if fluorocarbons unacceptable
- Optimal point may change in the presence of background



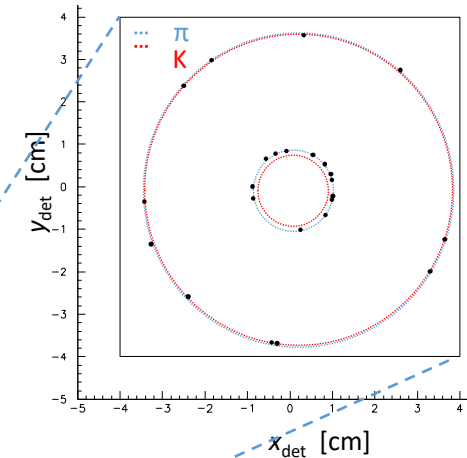


# ARC simulation

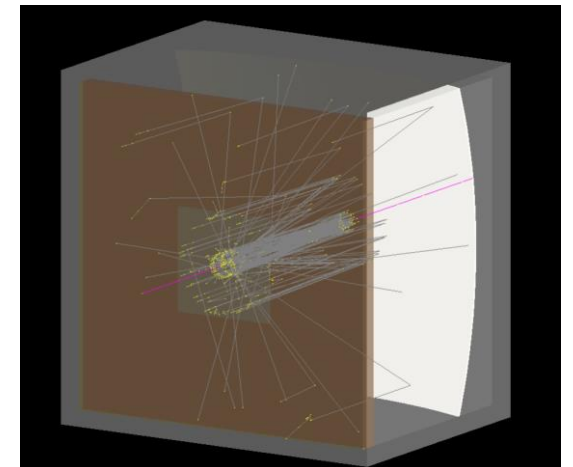
Event display of  $B_s \rightarrow D_s K$  decay in Z event in ARC  
Track density is sparse, typically only single track/cell



Zoom on hits in sensor of one cell  
Concentric rings from the two radiators



ARC cell simulated with Geant4



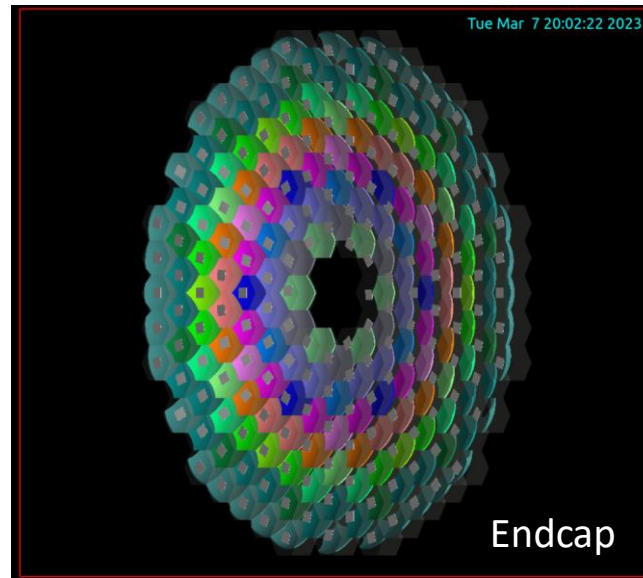
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# ARC performance

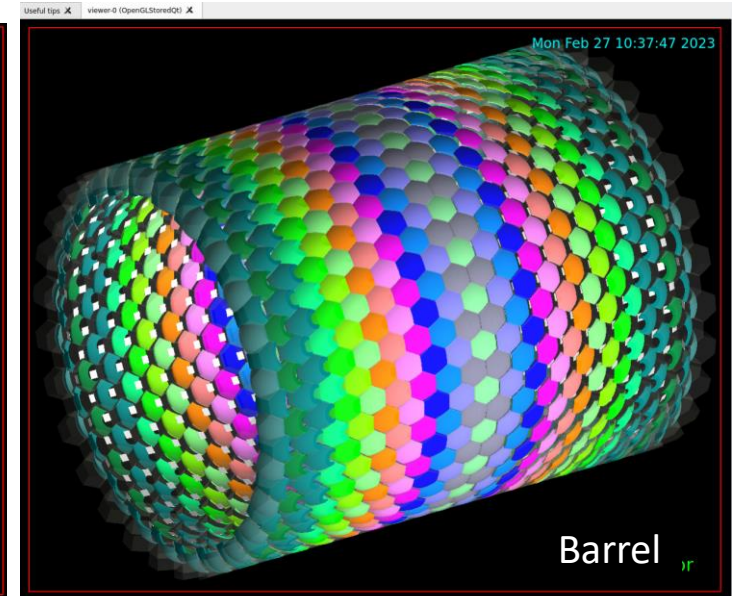
- Resolution optimized, now using ~ 1300 similar *hexagonal* cells
- Optical layout has been optimized via a standalone ray-tracing study: adjusting the position, curvature and tilt of mirrors and sensors for each of the 39 unique cells Martin Tat
- Geometry has been described in Key4hep in collaboration with the FCC software group Gerardo Ganis *et. al*
- Details will be presented by Alvaro Tolosa Delgado in the *PED: Software and Computing* session this afternoon

→ Excellent K- $\pi$  separation predicted over momentum range 2–50 GeV/c

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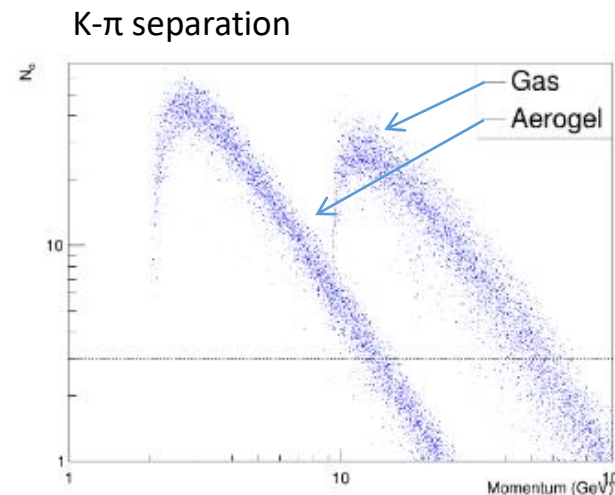
Endcap



Barrel

Optimized mirror layout

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PID and photodetector R&D for FCC

From standalone simulation, *including* 2T B-field Martin Tat

(to be followed up with the full Geant4 simulation)

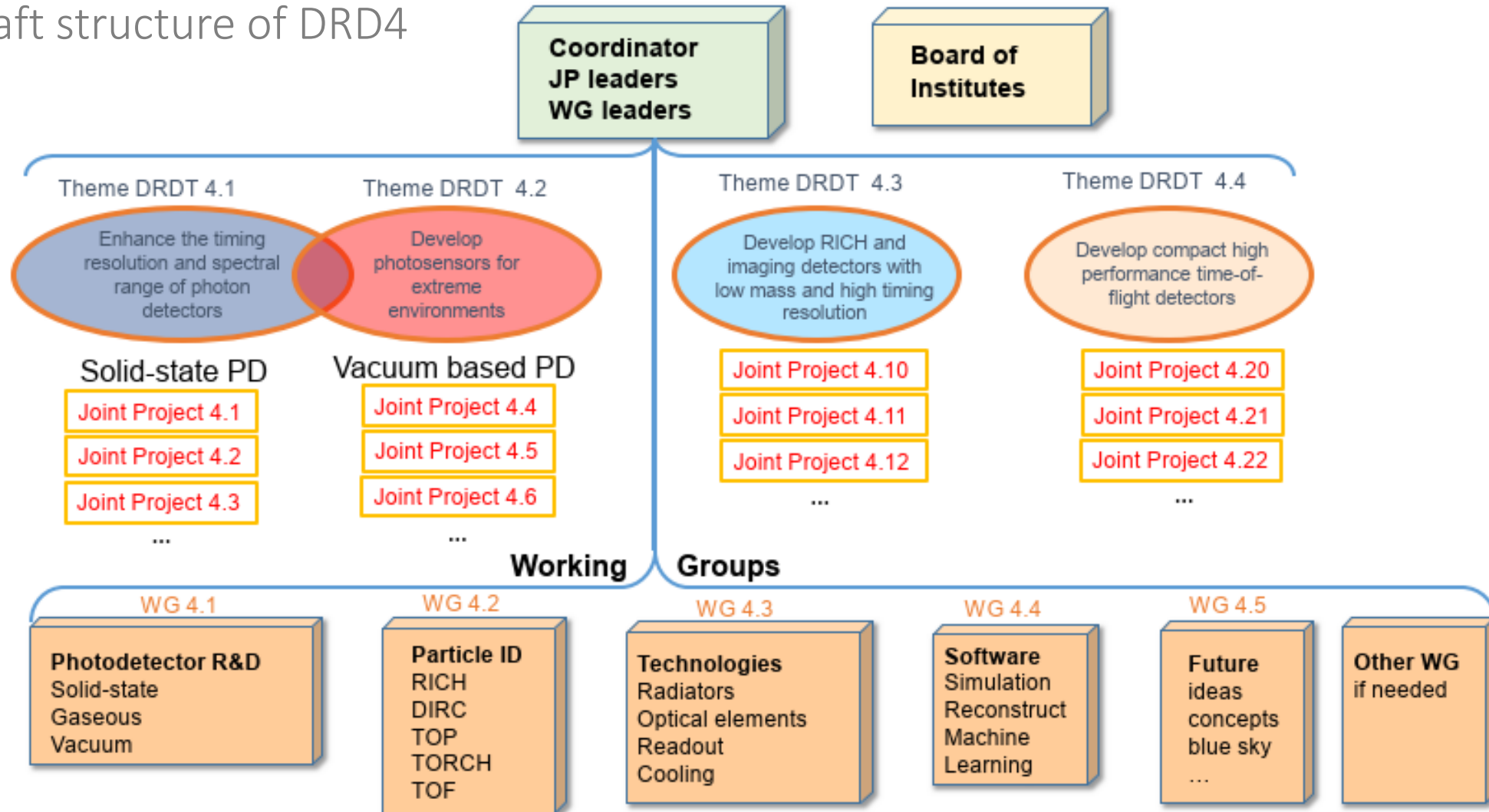
# Conclusions

- R&D on Particle ID and Photodetectors is very active, and will hopefully be further nurtured within the new **Detector R&D Collaboration** (DRD4) that is being set up to implement the ECFA Roadmap
- *Photon detector* developments concentrate on solid-state (SiPM) and vacuum-based detectors (MCP) with excellent timing resolution, which are likely to have applications in FCC experiments
  - **SiPM**: reducing the dark count rate with cooling and/or annealing, making them more radiation resistant (important for FCC-hh), and developing possible digital SiPM with integrated electronics
  - **MCP**: improving the lifetime and rate capability, increasing efficiency, reducing the cost
- *Particle ID* detector R&D is currently focused on nearer-term applications, for RICH/DIRC/TOF
  - **Time-of-flight** important for FCC-ee, to complement  $dE/dx$  or cluster counting in gaseous trackers: various lines under development, using LGADs, fast crystals, SiPM + radiator, TORCH
  - **RICH** detectors are ideal for hadron separation at high momenta, R&D underway for applications in LHCb/ALICE upgrades and EIC, dedicated design for an FCC-ee experiment (ARC) is progressing
- Support from the FCC community is important for the long-term strength of the R&D collaboration



# Additional slides

## Draft structure of DRD4



# Z-Factories are great Flavour Factories

See S. Monteil, FCC CDR overview '19

Working point	Lumi. / IP [ $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ ]	Total lumi. (2 IPs)	Run time	Physics goal
Z first phase	100	26 $\text{ab}^{-1}$ /year	2	
Z second phase	200	52 $\text{ab}^{-1}$ /year	2	150 $\text{ab}^{-1}$

Particle production ( $10^9$ )	$B^0 / \bar{B}^0$	$B^+ / B^-$	$B_s^0 / \bar{B}_s^0$	$\Lambda_b / \bar{\Lambda}_b$	$c\bar{c}$	$\tau^- / \tau^+$
Belle II	27.5	27.5	n/a	n/a	65	45
FCC- $ee$	1000	1000	250	250	1000	500

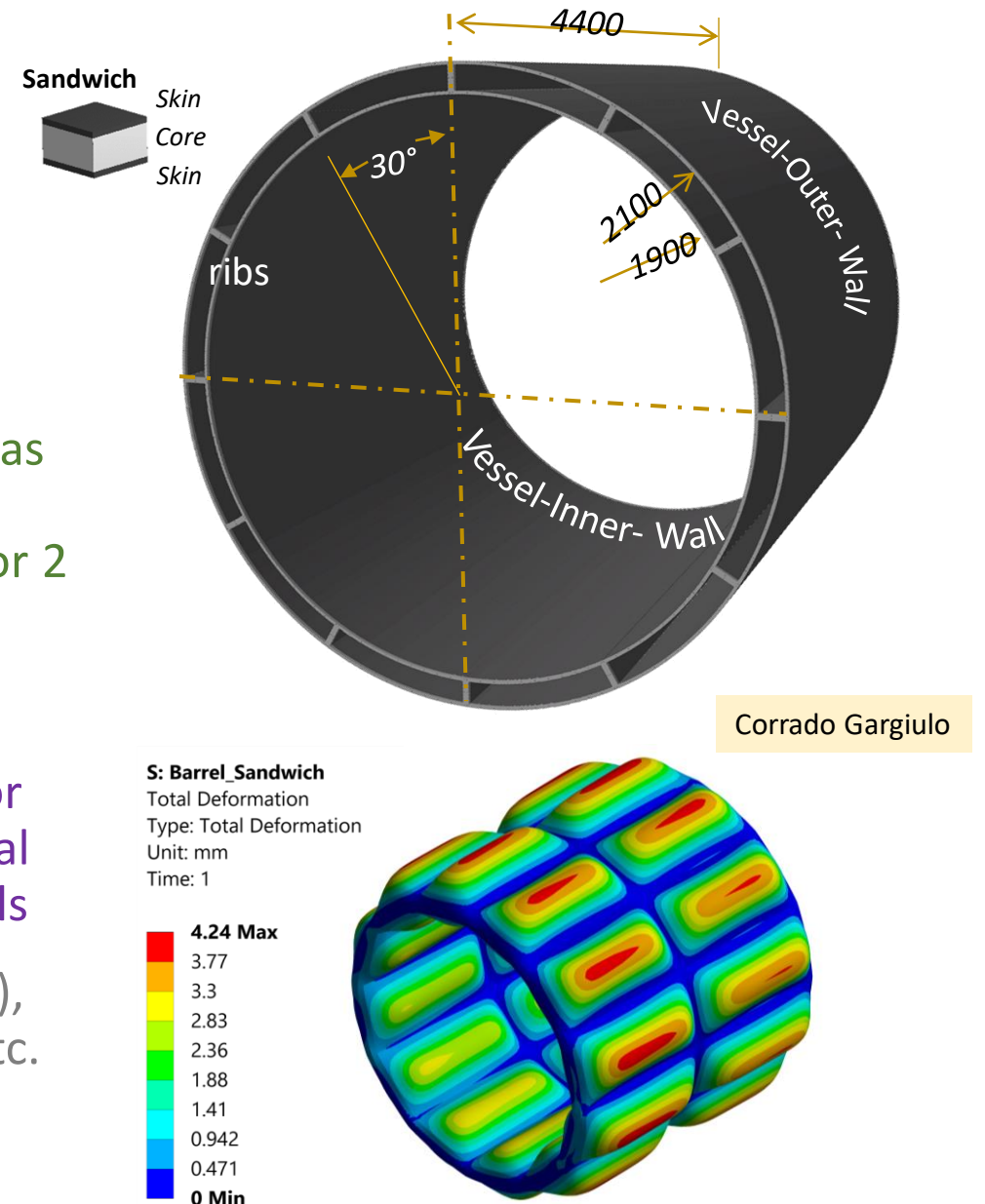
Decay mode/Experiment	Belle II (50/ab)	LHCb Run I	LHCb Upgr. (50/fb)	FCC- $ee$
EW/ $H$ penguins				
$B^0 \rightarrow K^*(892)e^+e^-$	$\sim 2000$	$\sim 150$	$\sim 5000$	$\sim 200000$
$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^*(892)\tau^+\tau^-)$	$\sim 10$	—	—	$\sim 1000$
$B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	n/a	$\sim 15$	$\sim 500$	$\sim 800$
$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	$\sim 5$	—	$\sim 50$	$\sim 100$
$\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$				
Leptonic decays				
$B^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu_{\mu}$	5%	—	—	3%
$B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+\nu_{\tau}$	7%	—	—	2%
$B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+\nu_{\tau}$	n/a	—	—	5%
$CP$ / hadronic decays				
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\Psi K_S$ ( $\sigma_{\sin(2\phi_d)}$ )	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^6$ (0.008)	41500 (0.04)	$\sim 0.8 \cdot 10^6$ (0.01)	$\sim 35 \cdot 10^6$ (0.006)
$B_s \rightarrow D_s^\pm K^\mp$	n/a	6000	$\sim 200000$	$\sim 30 \cdot 10^6$
$B_s(B^0) \rightarrow J/\Psi \phi$ ( $\sigma_{\phi_s}$ rad)	n/a	96000 (0.049)	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^6$ (0.008)	$16 \cdot 10^6$ (0.003)

out of reach  
at LHCb/Belle

boosted b's/ $\tau$ 's  
at FCC- $ee$

# ARC vessel

- Should be as lightweight as possible: propose to use carbon-fibre composite sandwich with foam core
- Initial concept was for pressurized radiator gas up to 4 bar  
Related R&D already underway for lightweight cryostats
- Finite-element analysis made for 4 bar pressure, over the gas volume of  $\sim 10 \text{ m}^3 \rightarrow$  maximum deflection of walls under pressure: **4 mm** (barrel), **7 mm** (endcap) with a safety factor 2
- Achieved with 20 mm-thick walls, for a remarkably low material budget: **2.7%  $X_0$**  (per wall)
- Subsequent studies indicated that an *unpressurized* radiator may be sufficient (depending on the sensor PDE)  $\rightarrow$  material can be further reduced, currently assume 10 mm-thick walls
- **R&D** needed to ensure leak tightness of CF walls (liner-less), out-of-autoclave curing to avoid need of large autoclave, etc.  
Also to develop suitable lightweight spherical mirrors

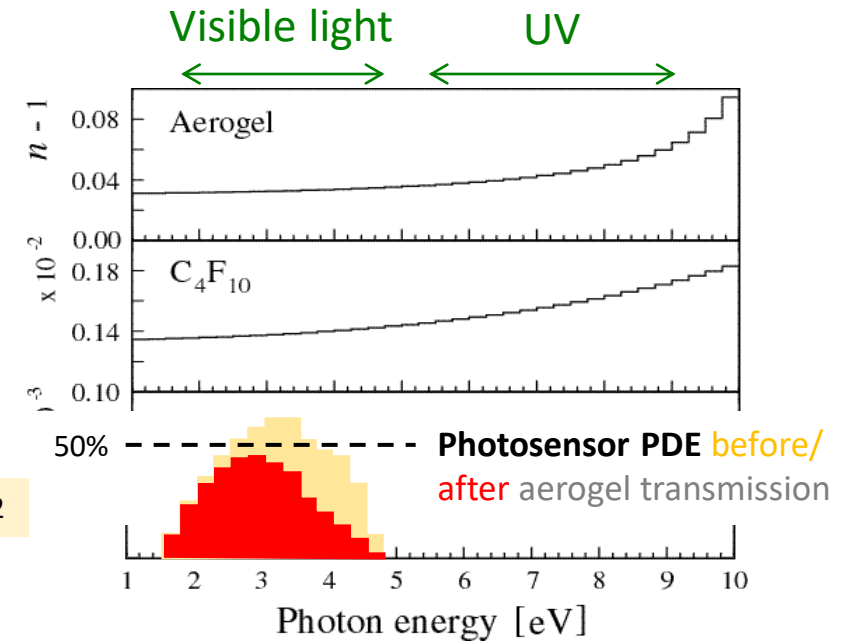




# Radiator gas R&D

- Baseline choice is  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$  due to its excellent chromatic properties  
→ optimizes resolution ( $\sim 1$  mrad is the target)
- However, fluorocarbons have high global warming potential (GWP  $\sim 9000$  for  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$ ) and even though one would aim for a leak-less system, it may be prudent to investigate alternatives
- Replacing the gas radiators with a mixture of  $\text{C}_5\text{F}_{10}\text{O}$  and  $\text{N}_2$  may allow refractive index to be tuned to that of  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$   
 $\text{C}_5\text{F}_{10}\text{O}$  is one of the Novec family of gases (#5510), **GWP < 1**  
However, long term Novec supply is also in question...
- **Xenon** is not a greenhouse gas, and stays in gas phase at room temperature up to over 20 bar  
However, lower refractive index ( $n = 1.0007$ ) so would need higher pressure than  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$ , and somewhat worse dispersion  
Pressurized **argon** is also discussed as an option
- For such new gas choices, **R&D** needed to ensure suitability e.g. level of scintillation, compatibility with materials, etc.

Greg Hallewell, RICH2022



Dispersion is also reduced if photosensor is sensitive to lower (visible) wavelengths

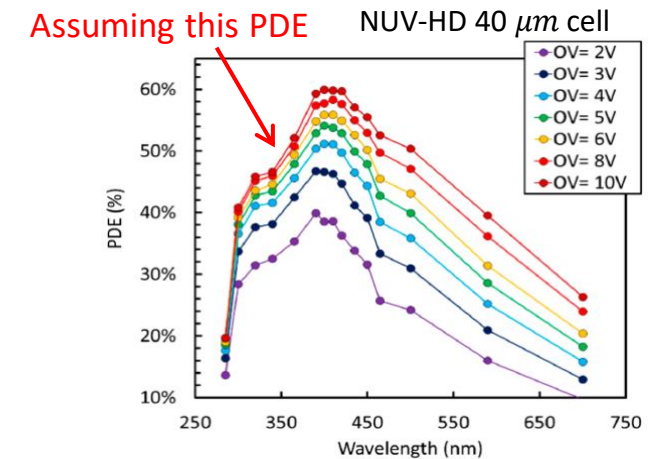
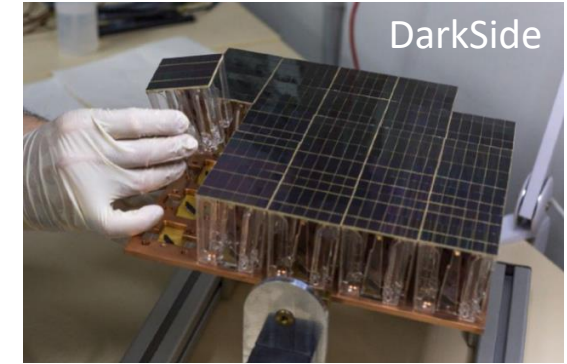
Use of aerogel as a “filter” in front of the photosensor works in this direction

# ARC photosensor R&D

- Photosensor performance is crucial for this concept: needs to be compact, low material budget, high efficiency, mm-scale pixellization, cheap ( $\sim 8\text{m}^2$  active area, 8M pixels)
- **SiPMs** look like the ideal candidate, but not yet well established in RICH detector instrumentation (single-photon detection)
- Level of acceptable dark-count rate should be established, will probably require cooling  $\rightarrow$  potential issue with liquefying radiator gas

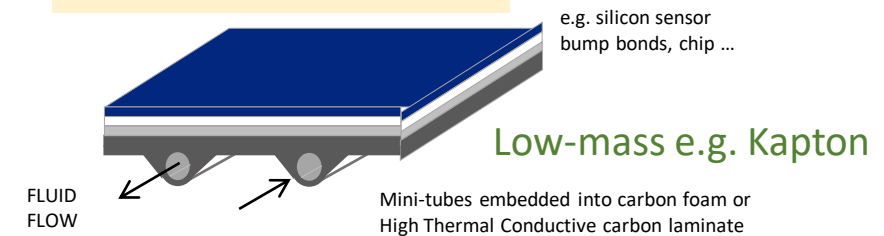
Note that radiation dose expected is low at FCC-ee so major concern at LHC of increase of DCR with irradiation should not be an issue

- Nevertheless, assume cooling will be required  $\rightarrow$  sensor + electronics mounted on cooling plate with  $\text{CO}_2$  circulation
- Need to insulate from gas volume, while allowing Cherenkov light through: use **aerogel** as an excellent thermal insulator



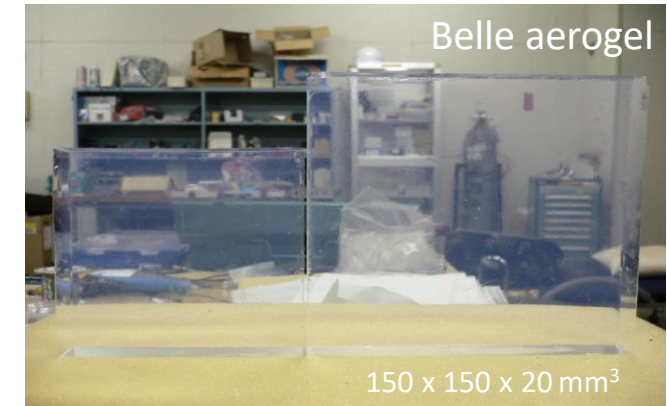
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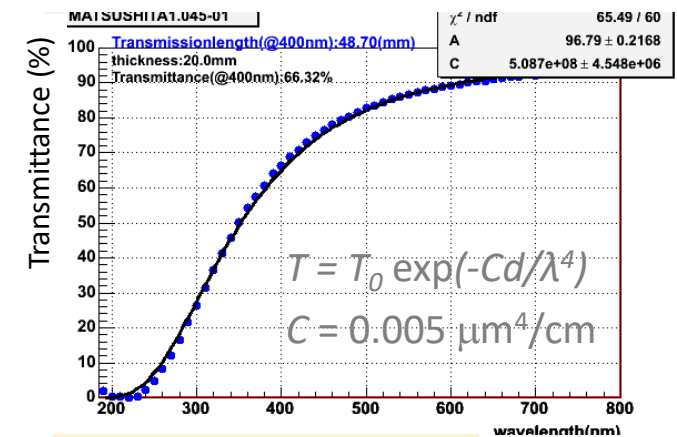


# Aerogel R&D

- Silica aerogel can withstand high pressure, tunable refractive index  $n = 1.01\text{--}1.10$ , v. low **thermal conductivity**:  $\sim 0.015 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$
- For 1 cm thickness, assuming  $\Delta T = 70 \text{ K}$ , heat transmitted through a  $25 \times 25 \text{ cm}^2$  tile is only a few watts < heat from the electronics
- Propose use both as a secondary Cherenkov radiator (suitable for low momentum tracks) *and* as thermal insulation around sensors  
Photons from the gas radiator have to pass through aerogel  $\rightarrow$  some loss from scattering, but also shifts towards visible
- High clarity, large area aerogel tiles developed by Belle for ARICH (other recipes also available): assume clarity  $C = 0.005 \mu\text{m}^4/\text{cm}$   
 $n = 1.03 \rightarrow \theta_c \approx 240 \text{ mrad}$
- Aerogel photons focused by same mirror as those from gas onto same sensor plane  $\rightarrow$  concentric rings if track above both thresholds
- **R&D** issues: developing larger, thinner tiles, testing use as thermal insulator (suitable mounting, joints, etc.), compatibility with gas, etc.



Transmittance vs wavelength



I. Adachi, ECFA TF4, 6/5/2021