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Radiation Tolerance Study of neutron-irradiated SiC pn planar diodes

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Outline



- Sample description and fluence points
- Experimental Setups: TPA-TCT & TRIBIC
- Depletion width vs fluence.
- Charge collection efficiency vs fluence
- Forward biasing of irradiated diodes.
- Summary

Silicon carbide detectors

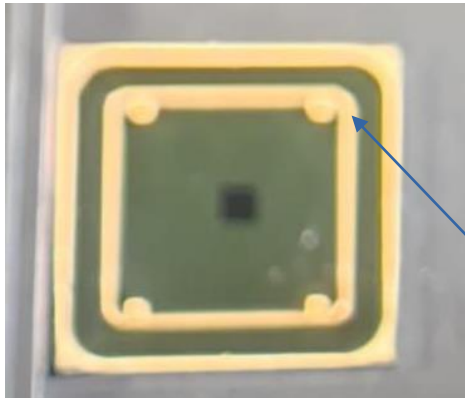
SiC sensors:

CNM SiC planar pad diodes P in N

Neutron-irradiated (ATI Vienna) July/Aug 2021

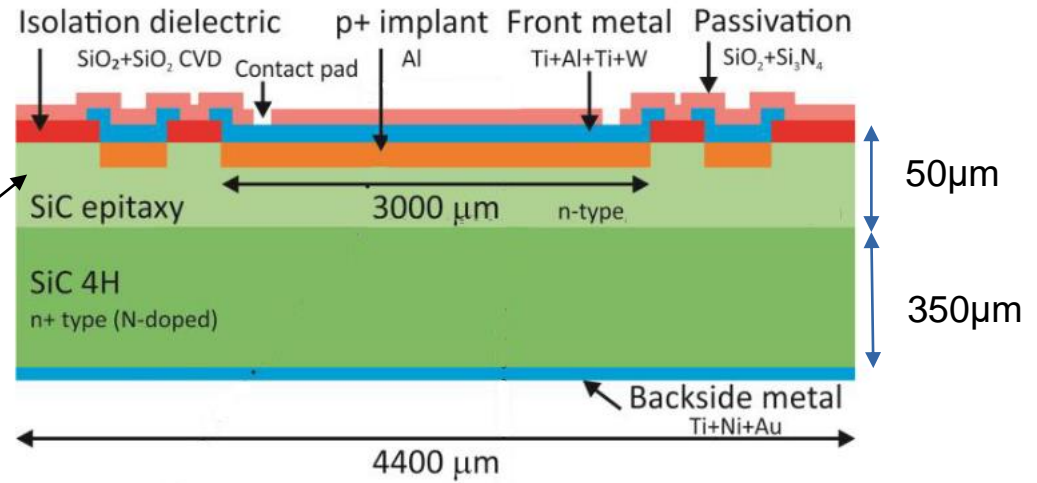
Samples (non metallized contact):

- 1MW2 (Non-irradiated)
- F2W1 ($1e15 n_{eq}/cm^2$)
- K6W1 ($5e14 n_{eq}/cm^2$)

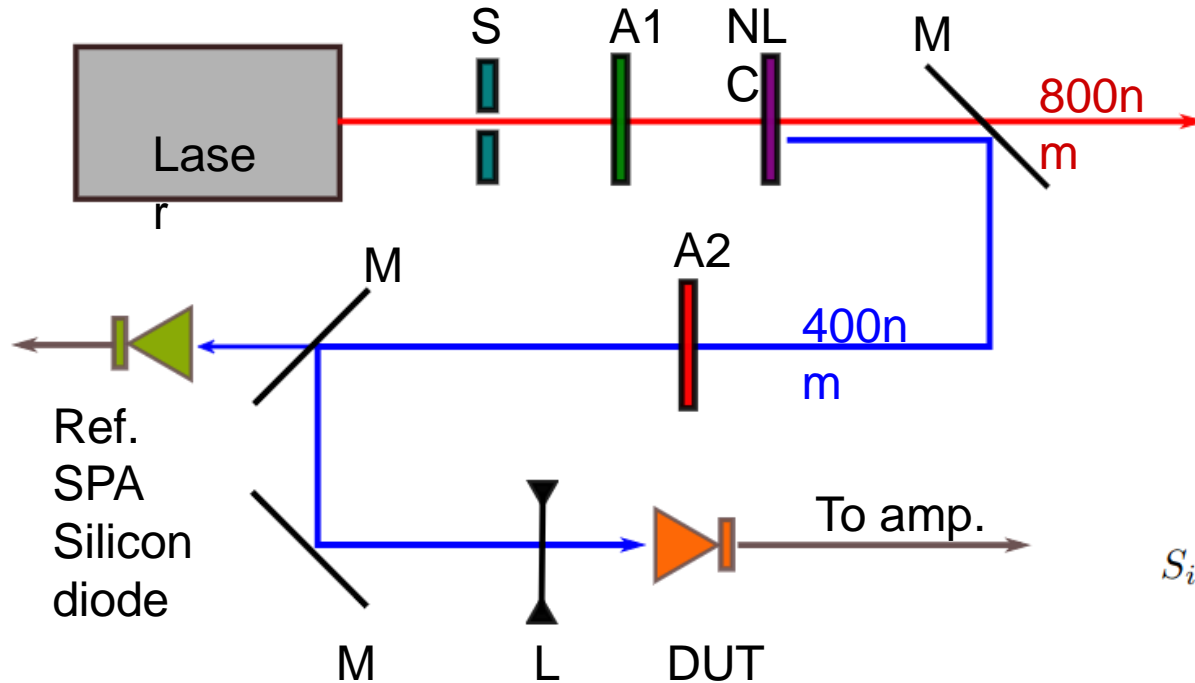


Signal collection ring

$$N_{eff} = 1.5e14 /cm^3$$



Experimental setup for TPA-TCT



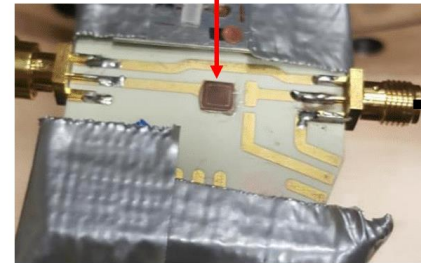
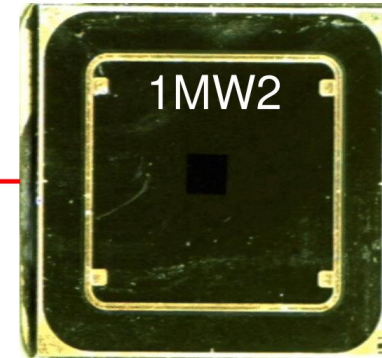
S: Shutter
 A1: Attenuator
 NL: Non linear crystal
 M: Mirrors
 A2: Attenuator
 Ref.: Laser power reference
 L: focusing lens
 DUT: Device under test

$$S_i(P, z) = S_i^{SPA}(P) + S_i^{TPA}(P, z)$$

$$S_i(P_i, z_i) = \alpha P_i + \beta(z_i) P_i^2$$

Readout for TPA-TCT (Laser) & TRIBIC (Ions)

- Sample: 1MW2 (Non irradiated): Not metalized
- PIBs: 7 MeV He⁺⁺. Range ≈ 26 μm;
- Beam size: 5x5 μm²
- $\Gamma_{\text{rate}} \sim 200 \text{ Hz}$
- **Amplifier:** CIVIDEC C2, 2 GHz, 40 dB.
- **Oscilloscope:** TeledyneLecroy HDO9404, 4 GHz, 40 Gsa/s
- Self trigger: all signals are corrected so that they have t = 0 at 30% of the maximum signal
- Averaging to improve SNR



Detector

Wideband current amplifier

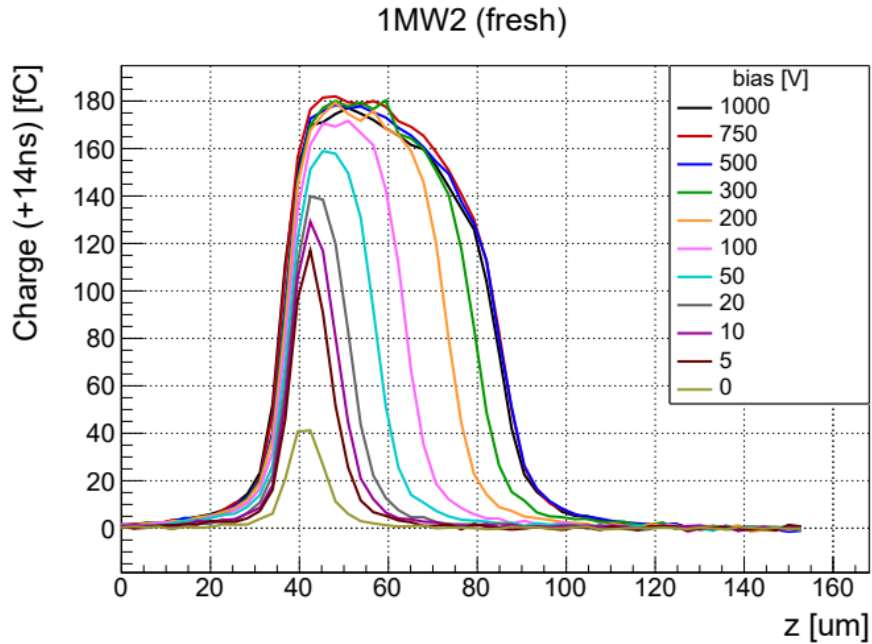


Fast oscilloscope

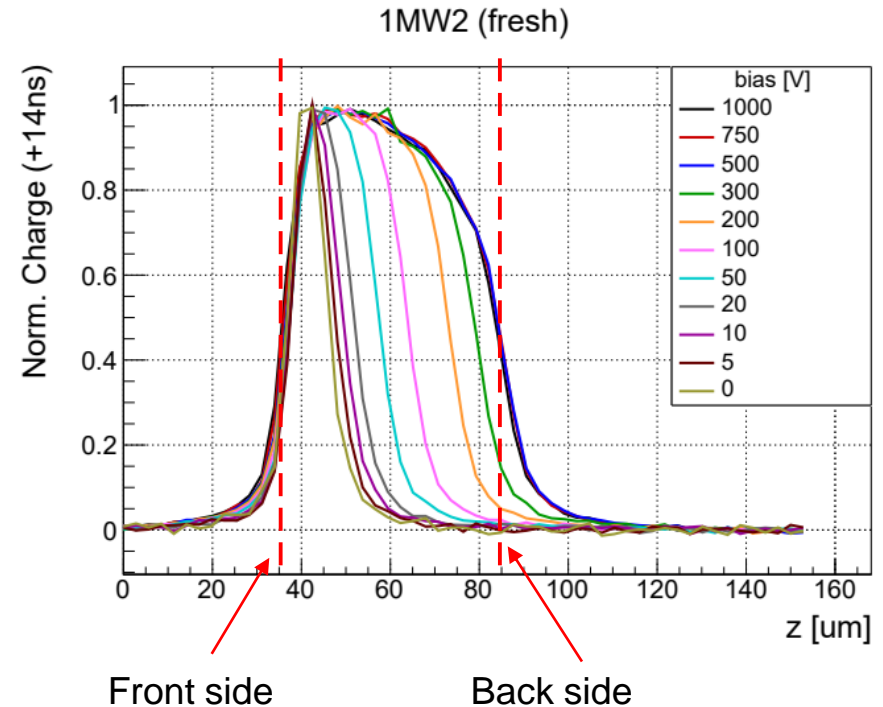


TPA: Z-scan charge profiles: non-irradiated diodes

- As expected, the depletion width increases with the bias voltage.
- Full depletion between 300-500 V.

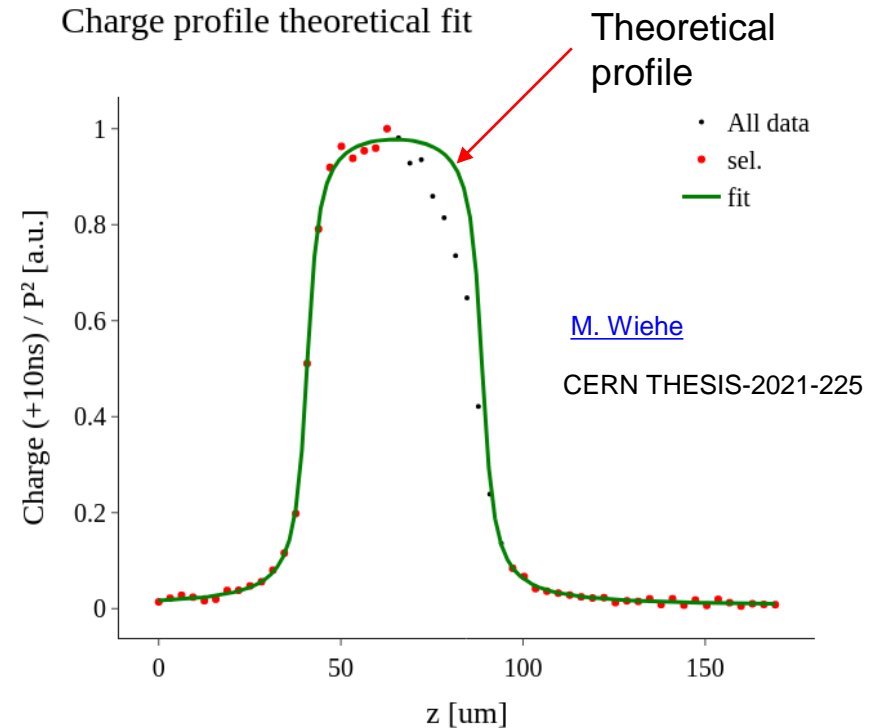
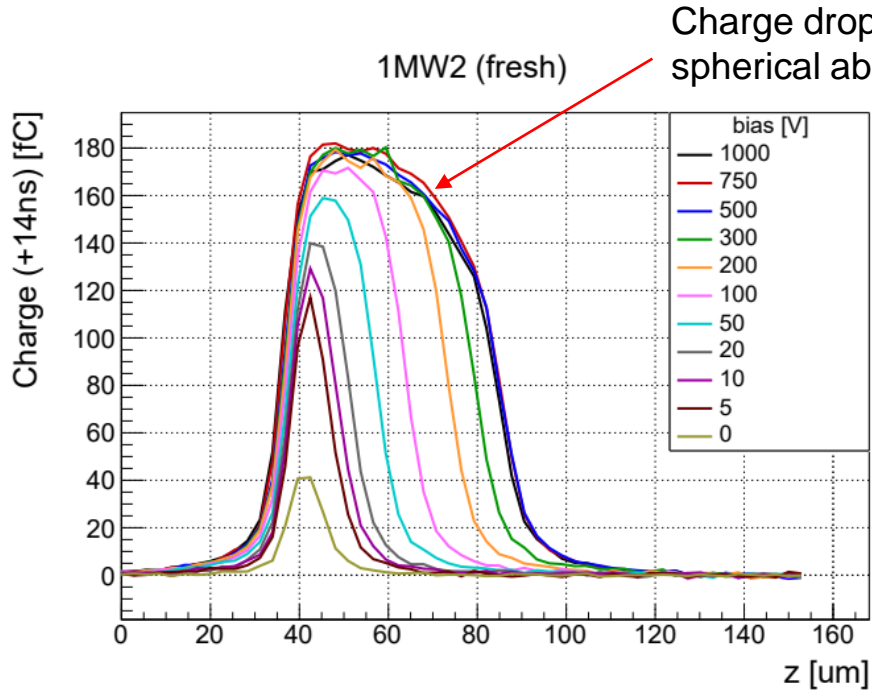


Normalize



TPA-TCT: Depletion width estimation

- Asymmetric z-scan charge profile for the larger depletion widths due to spherical aberration.
- Estimation of the depletion width using the FWHM of the z-scan profiles

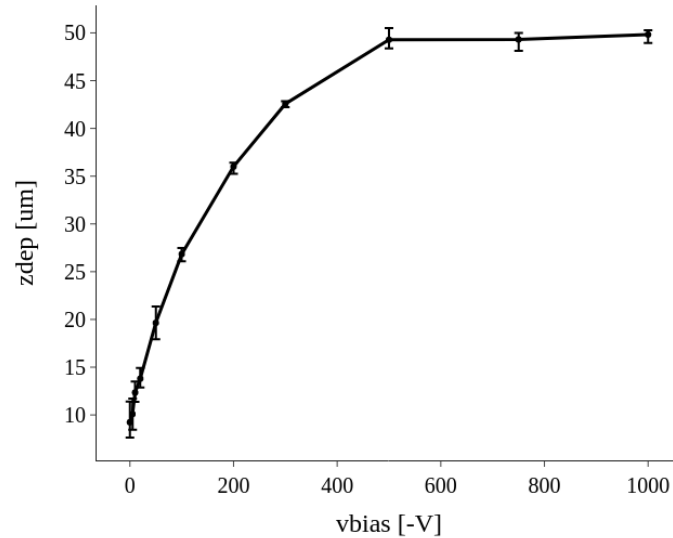


TPA-TCT: Depletion width vs bias / non-irradiated

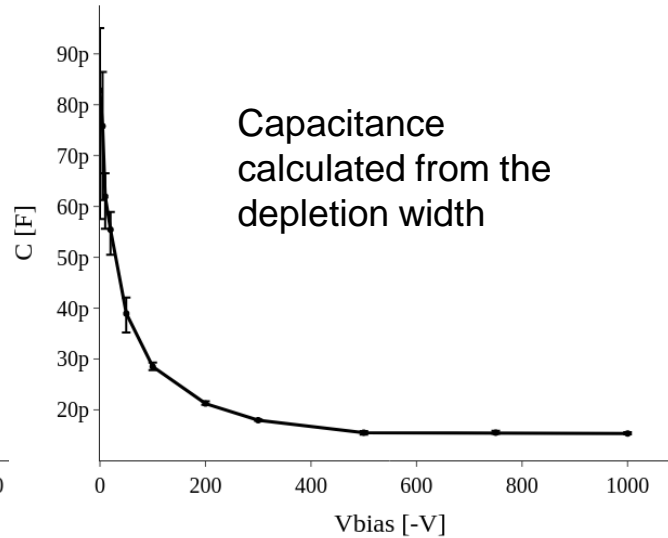


- Diode fully depleted between 400-500 volts.
- Capacitance value matches the electrical capacitance measurements.
- Effective doping of the bulk from CV equal to the the nominal doping value.

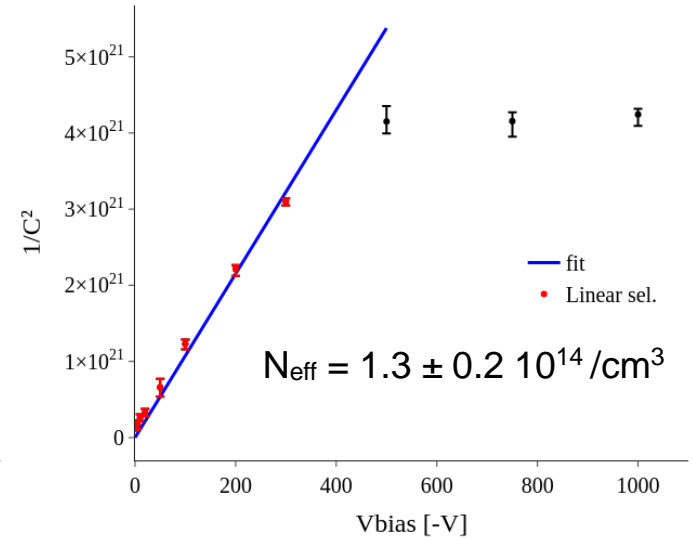
Depletion width (fit) for NI DUT



Capacitance vs. Vbias



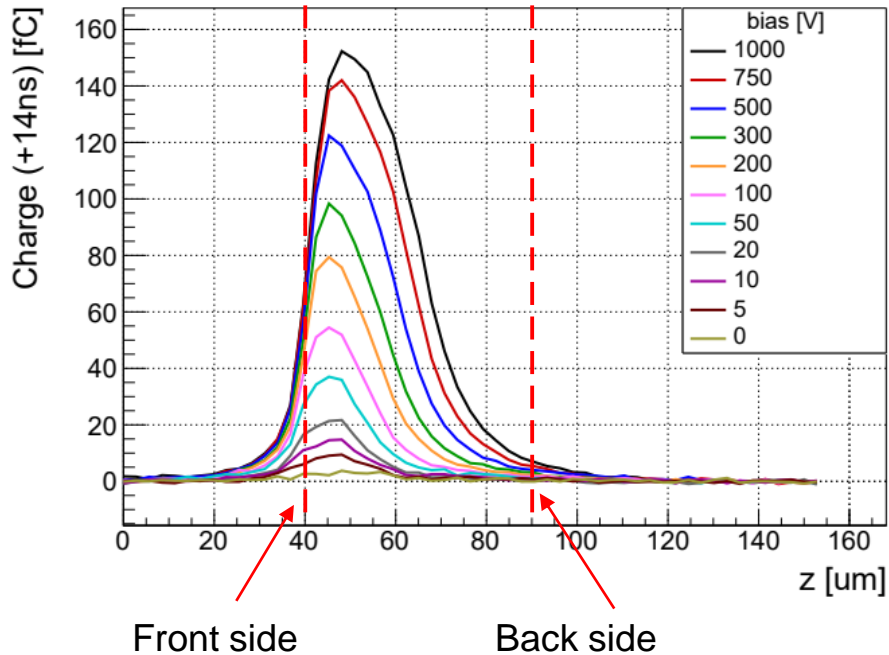
Effective doping study



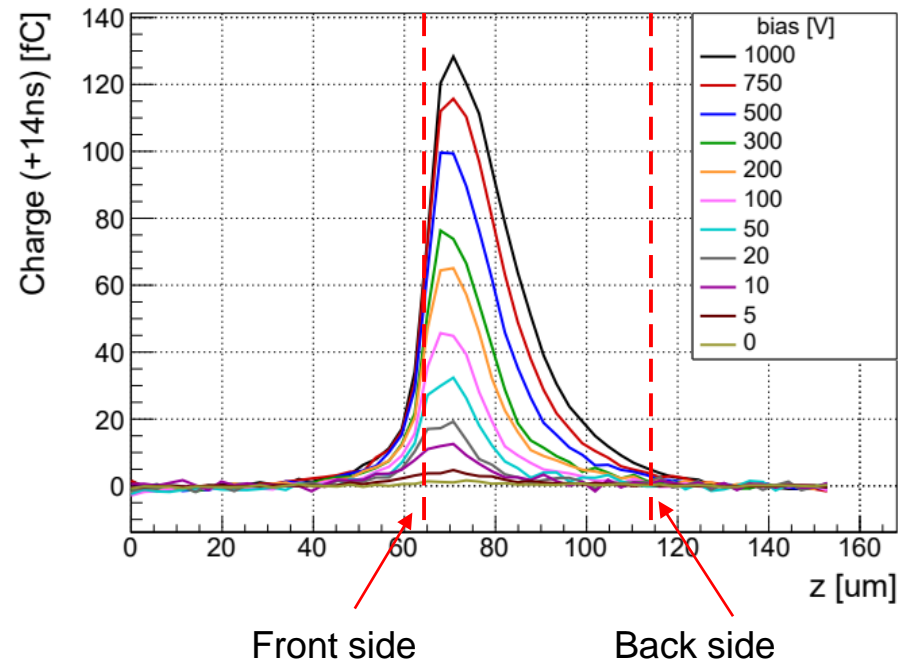
TPA-TCT Z-scan charge profiles: irradiated diodes

- Collected charge and depletion width reduced by irradiation
- Collected charge does not plateau as bias voltage increases

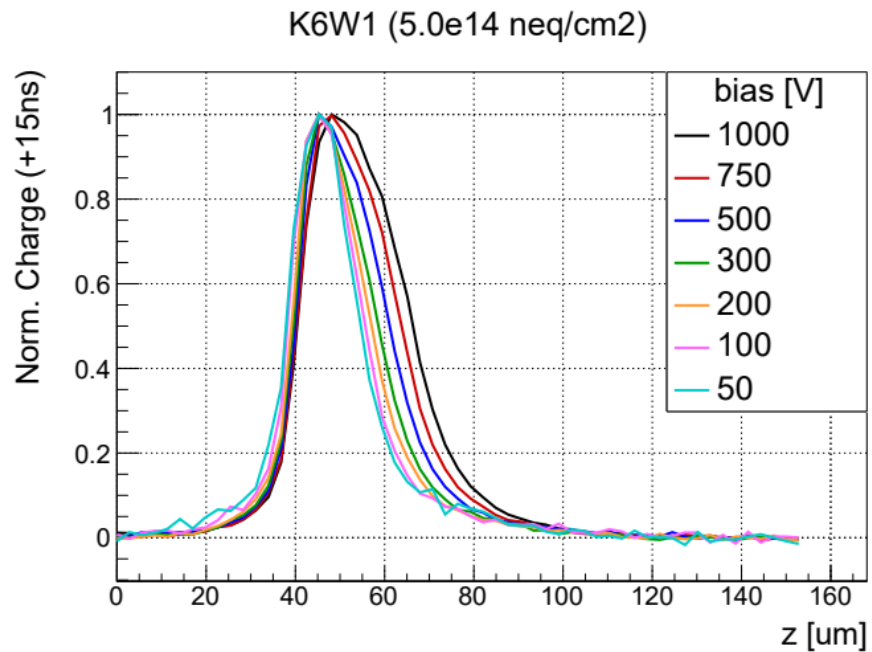
K6W1 (5.0×10^{14} neq/cm²)



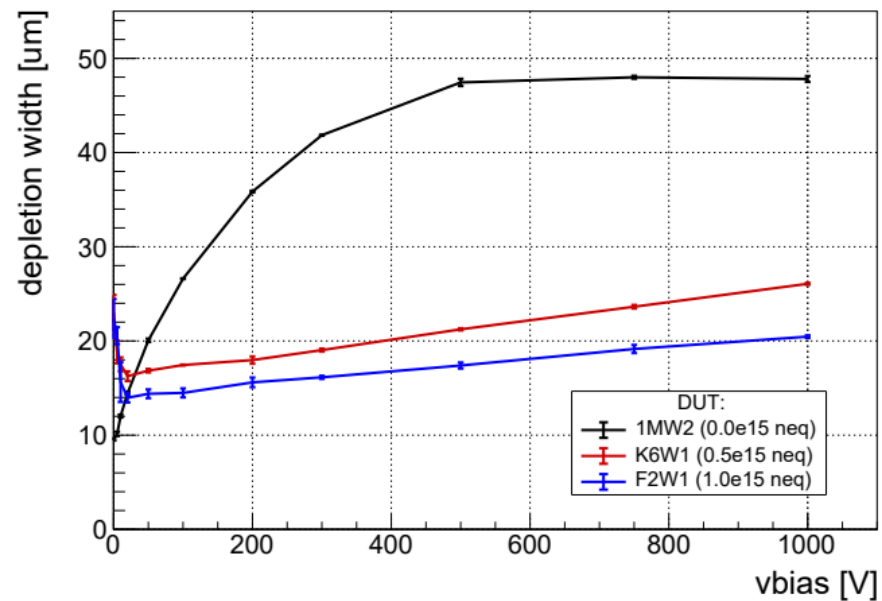
F2W1 (1.0×10^{15} neq/cm²)



TPA-TCT: Depletion width vs bias - irradiated



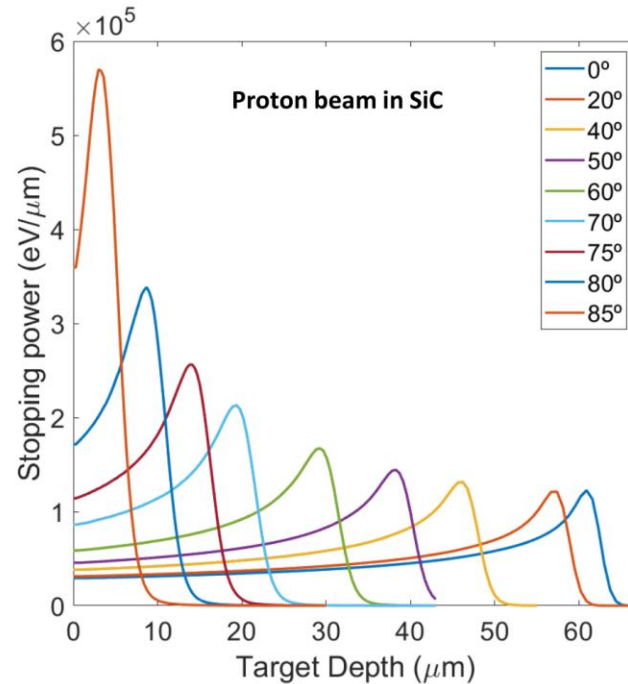
Depletion width vs bias



IBIC angular scans: Depletion width

To modify the ion beam deposition depth we have carried out experiments by tilting the detector.

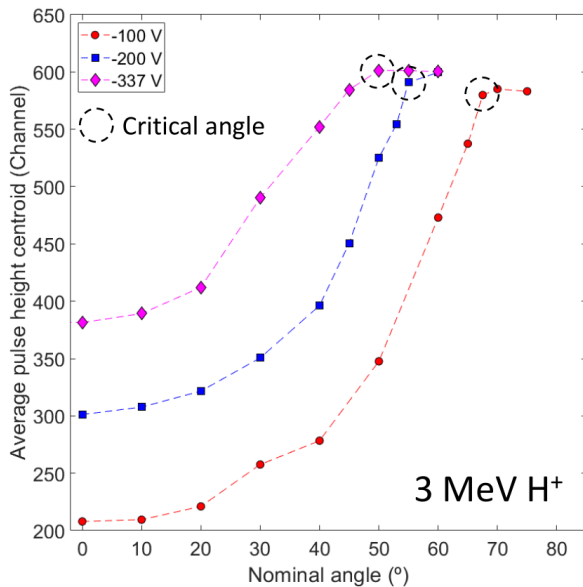
PIBs: 3 MeV H⁺. Range ≈ 61.8 μm;
Beam size: 5x5 μm²
Γrate ~ 200 Hz



IBIC vs TPA: depletion width

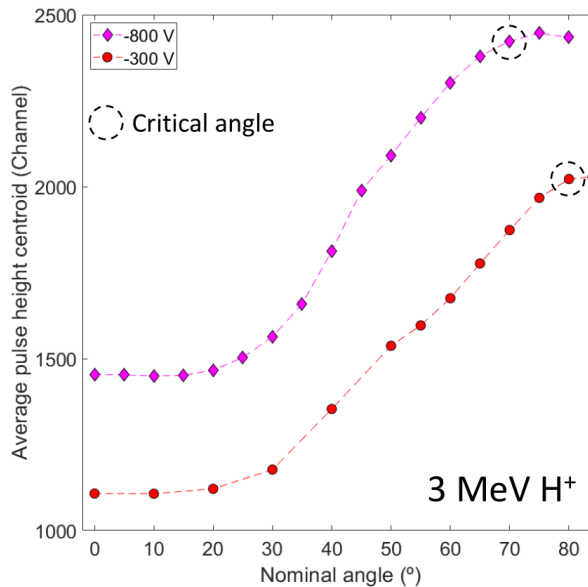


1MW2 (non irradiated)



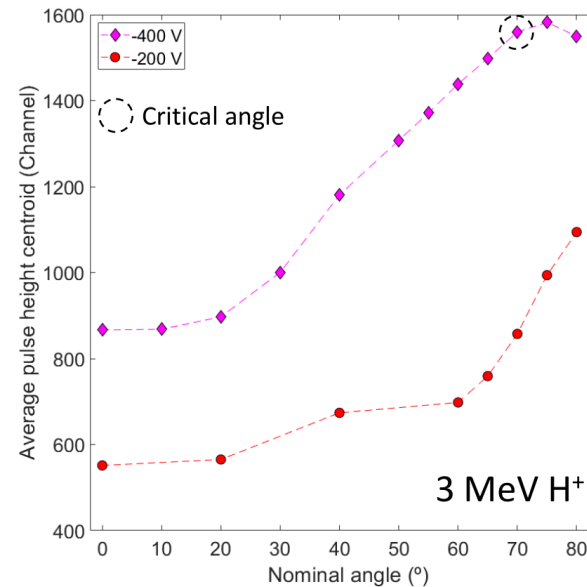
Reverse bias (V)	CV Depletio n (μm)	IBIC depletio n (μm)	TPA depletio n (μm)
-100	23	22	26
-200	32	32	35
-337	39	40	41

K6W1 (4×10^{14} n/cm²)



Reverse bias (V)	CV Depletio n (μm)	IBIC depletio n (μm)	TPA depletio n (μm)
-300	45	11	20
-800	46	21	25

F2W1 (1×10^{15} n/cm²)

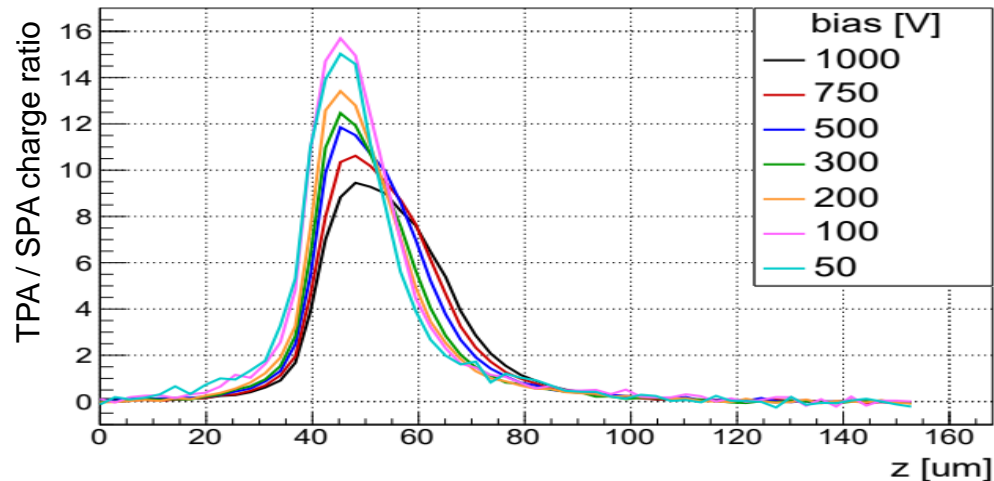
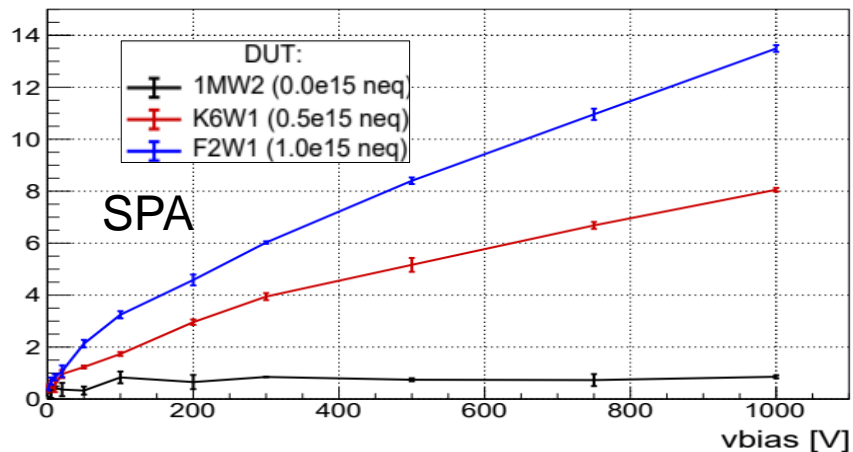


Reverse bias (V)	CV Depletio n (μm)	IBIC depletio n (μm)	TPA depletio n (μm)
-200	44	X	17
-400	44	21	20

TPA and SPA: relative signal strength

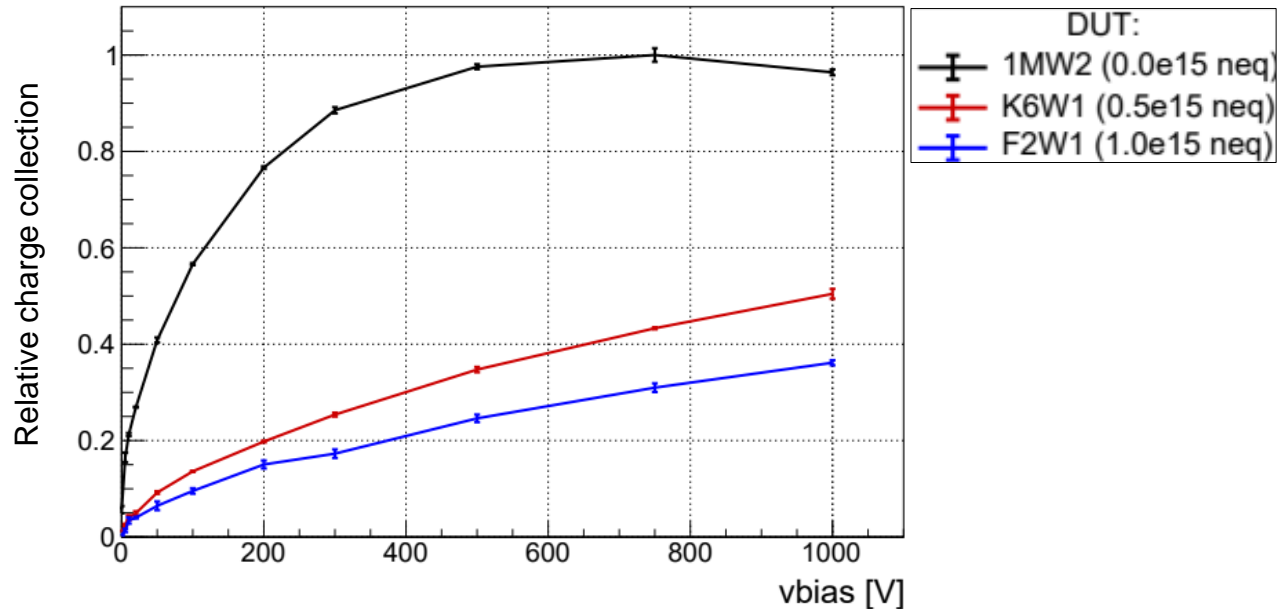
- SPA average waveform signal obtained when the laser focus is outside the active volume of the diode
- TPA Signal /SPA Signal ratio determined at different z integrating the waveforms of the SPA and TPA signals at that z position.

Charge of the average SPA waveform [fC]



TPA-TCT: Relative charge collection vs fluence

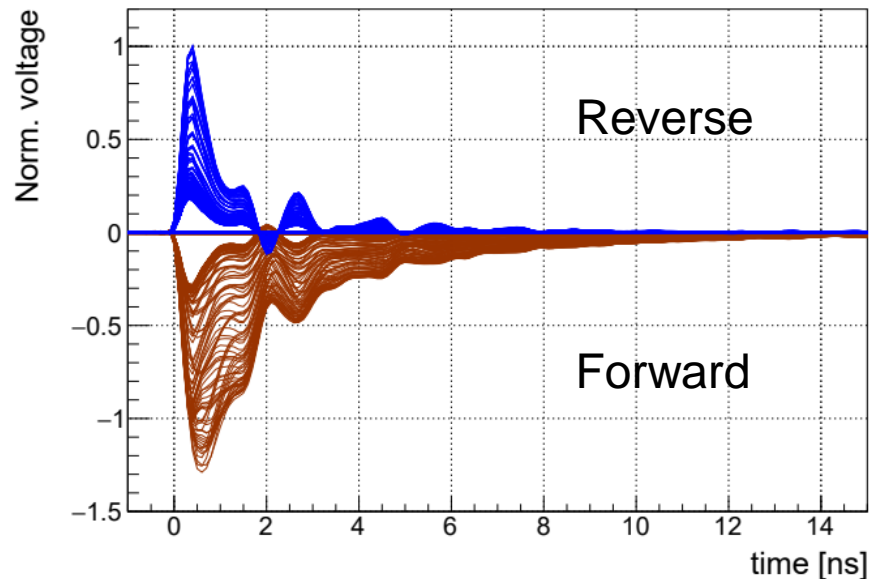
- Relative charge collection obtained from the ratio of the charge integral of the z-scan profiles with subtracted SPA contribution
- Normalized to the charge integral of the z-scan profile of the fully depleted non-irradiated



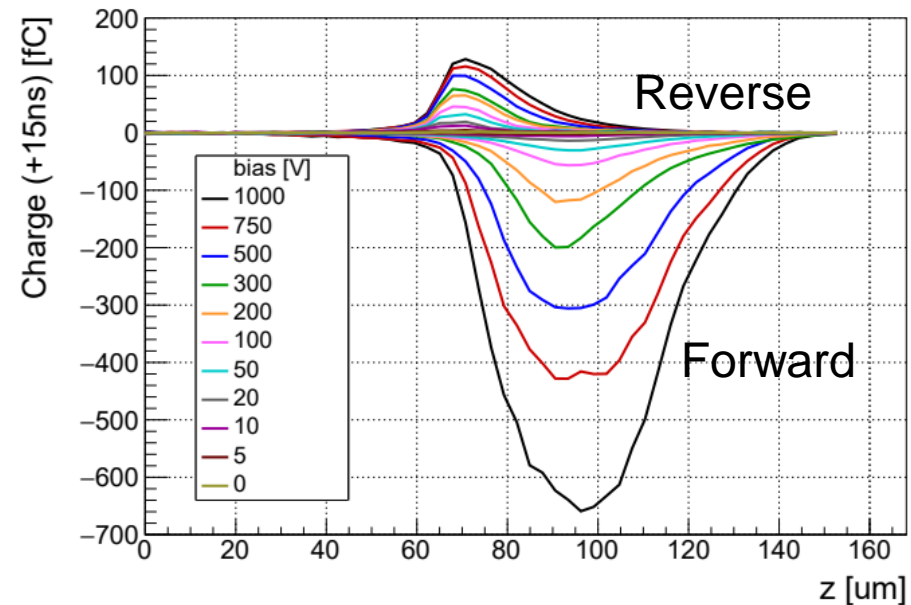
TPA-TCT: Forward biasing of Irradiated diodes

- Comparison between two z-scans at same HV bias but opposite polarization.
- The signal amplitude is significantly greater in forward biasing than reverse biasing.
- Large increase of the depletion width.

F2W1 (1.0×10^{15} neq/cm²) Transient zscan currents (1kV)



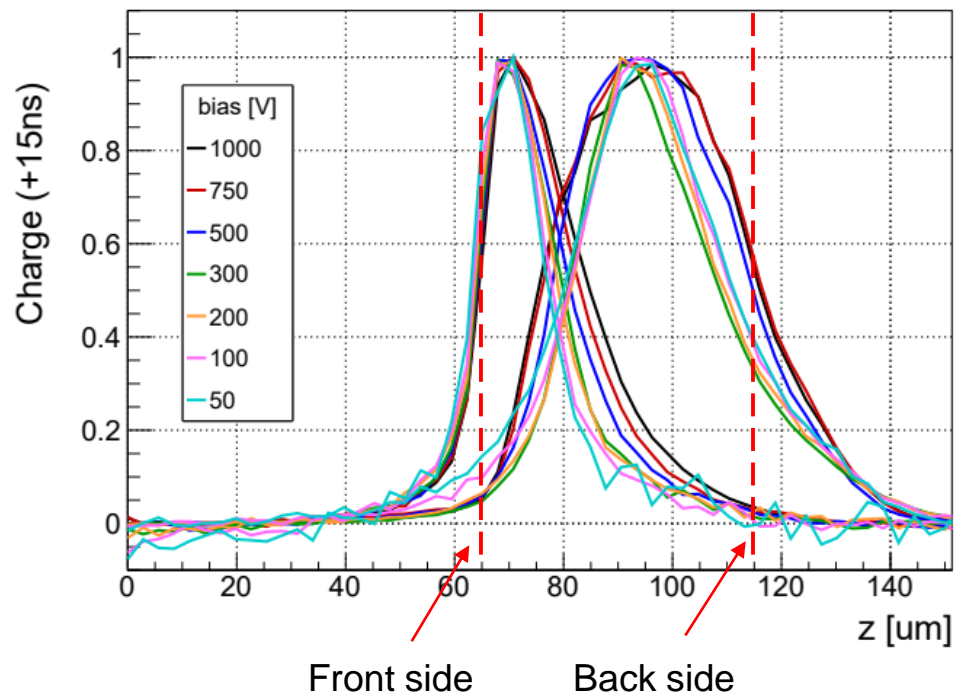
F2W1 (1.0×10^{15} neq/cm²) Forward-Reverse comparison



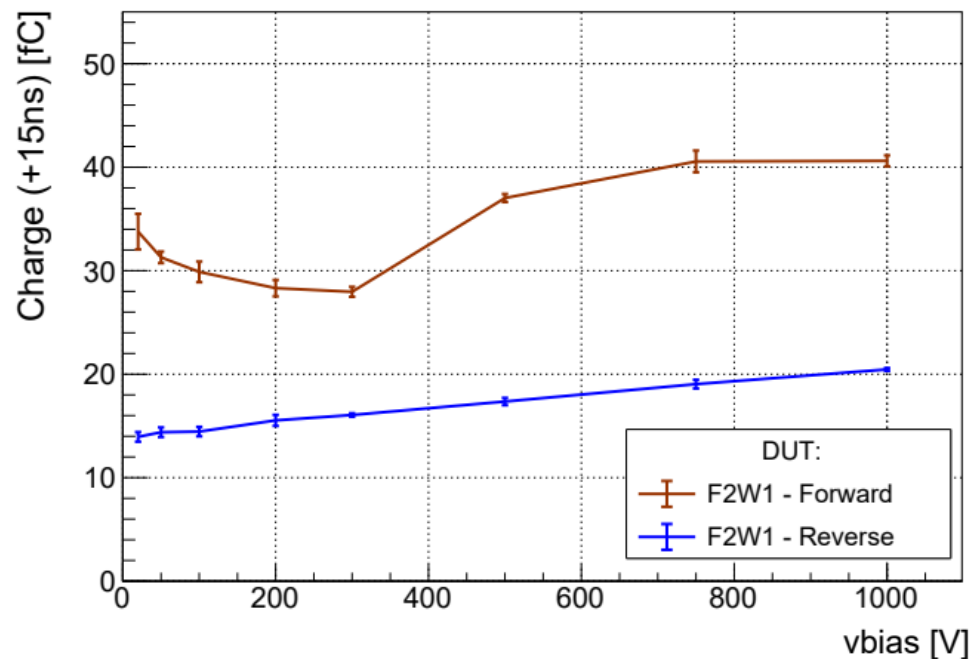
Forward biasing – Depletion width

- When forward biased, the **depletion region is at the back side of the diode**.
- Non monotonous dependence of depletion width on bias (forward) voltage.

F2W1 (1.0e15 neq/cm²) Forward-Reverse comparison

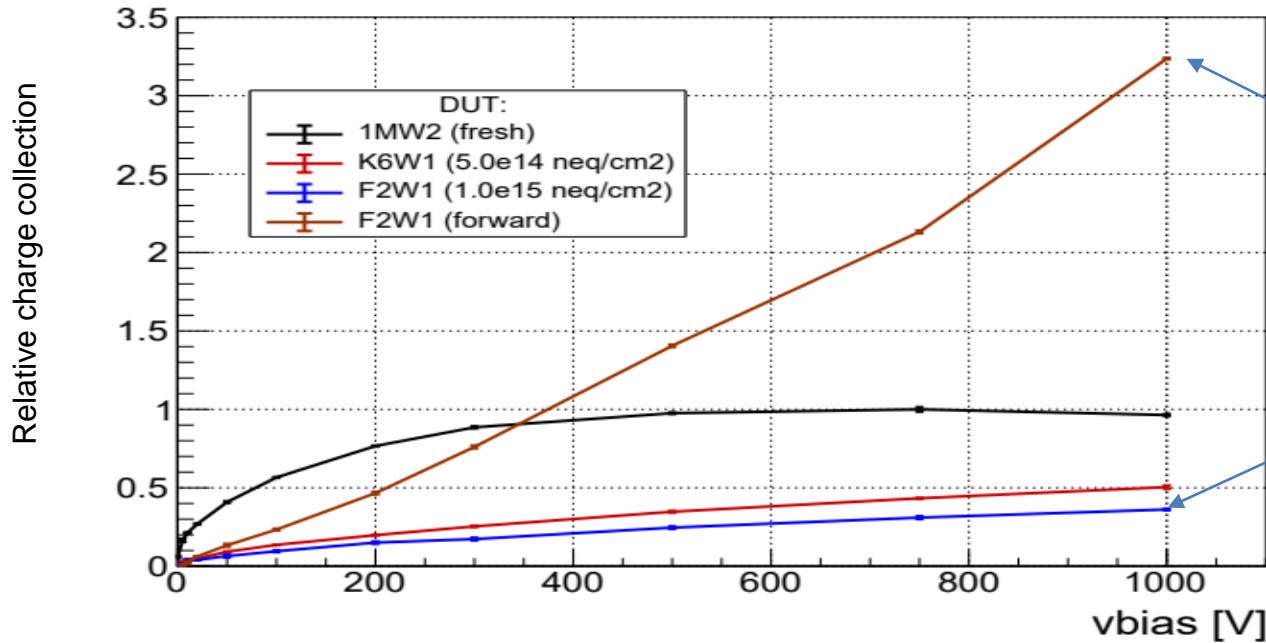


F2W1 (1.0e15 neq/cm²) Forward-Reverse comparison



Relative charge collection vs fluence (forward biasing)

- Normalized to the charge integral of the z-scan profile of the fully depleted non-irradiated diode



Almost a X10 increase
of the signal for $1e15 \text{ n}_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$

Conclusions

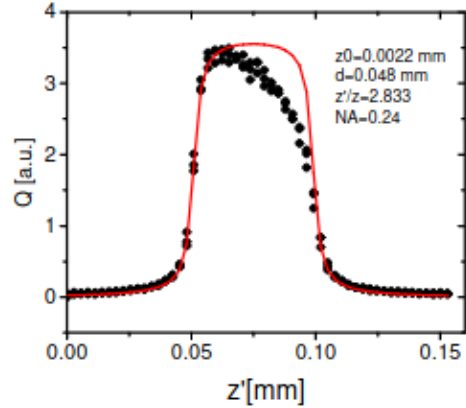


- A relative charge collection of 50% ($5e14$) and 35% ($1e15$) is achieved.
- After neutron irradiation, SiC pn diodes non fully depleted for a HV bias up to 1000V.
- Forward biased diode, irradiated up to $1e15$, is just depleted at the back-side.
- Depletion width in forward biasing is twice the depletion width in reverse biasing.
- **Relative charge collection in forward biasing is increased by factor of 10 with respect to the reverse biasing.**

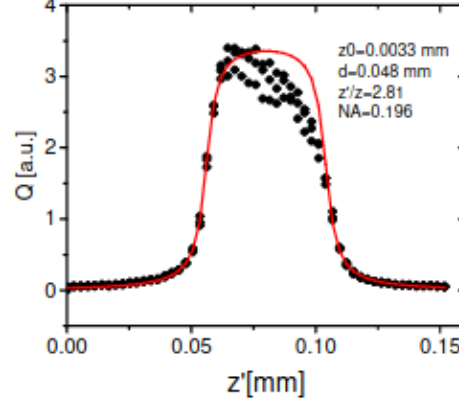
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Spherical aberration and numerical aperture

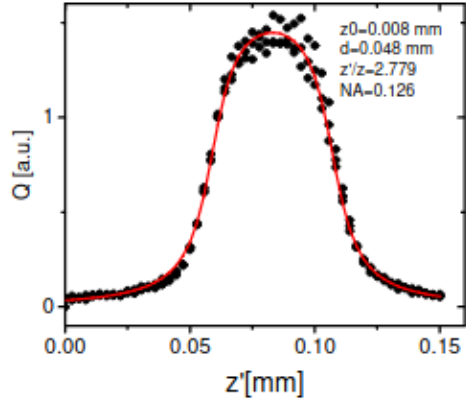
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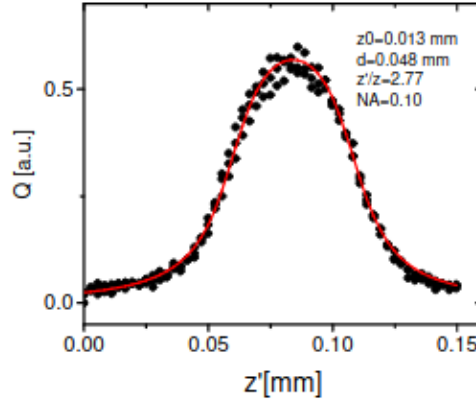
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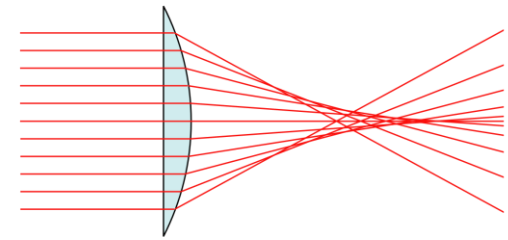
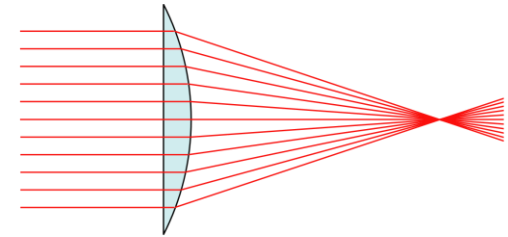
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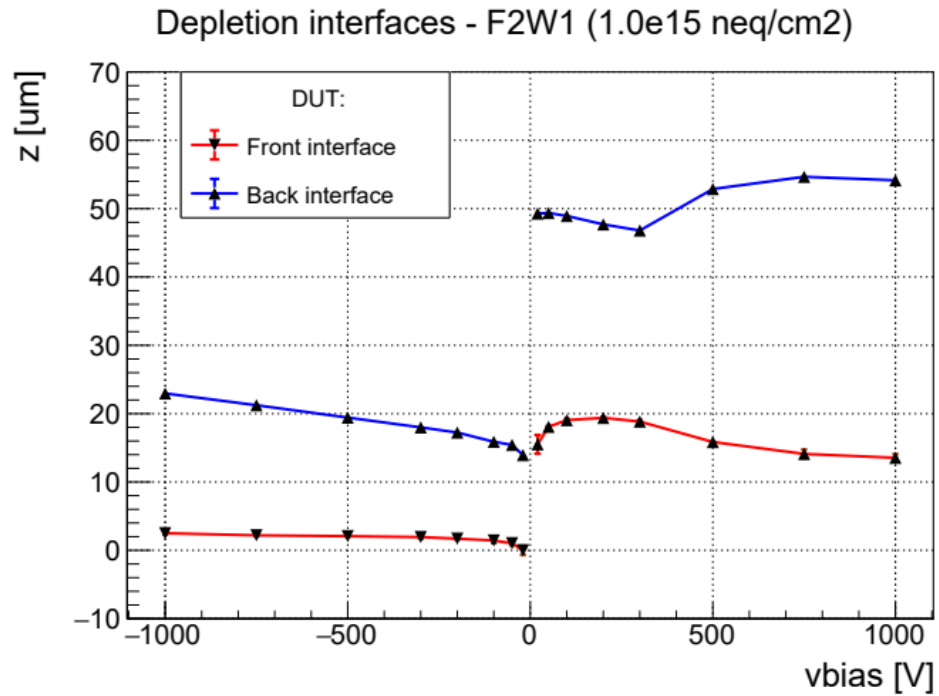


Spherical aberration

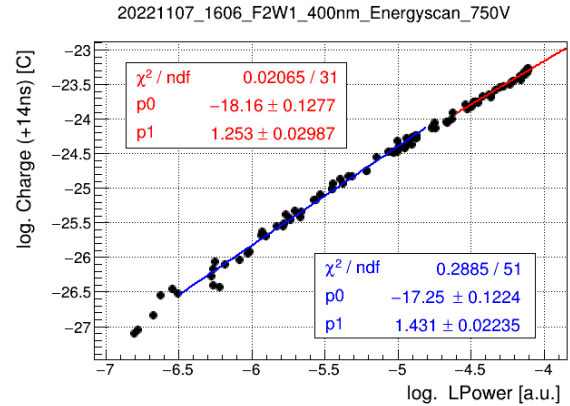
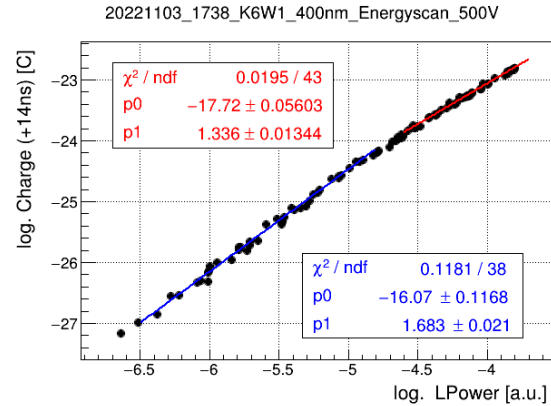
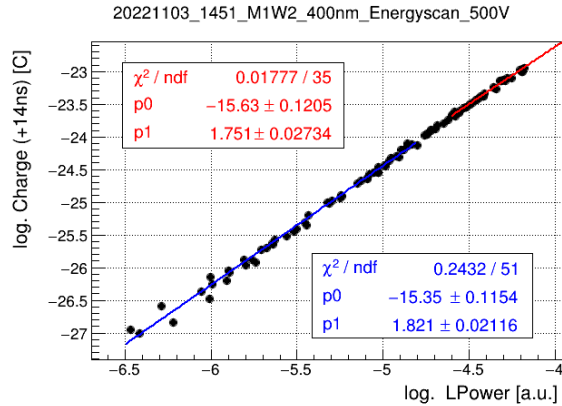
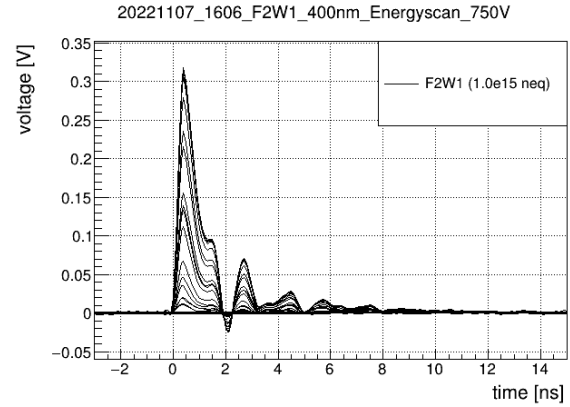
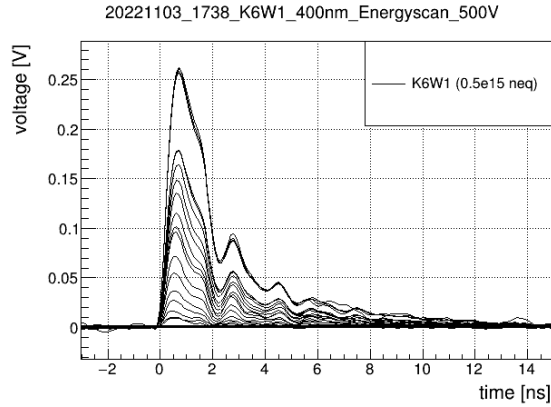
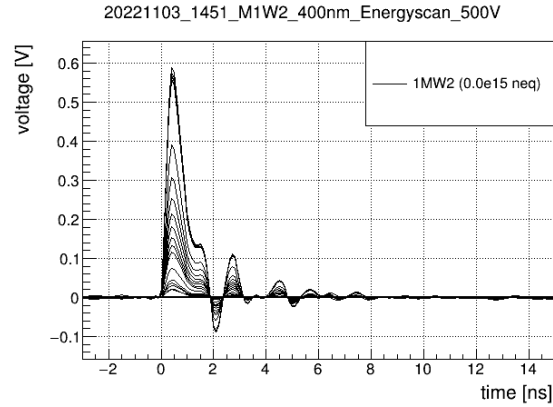


wikipedia.org : Spherical aberration

Depletion width

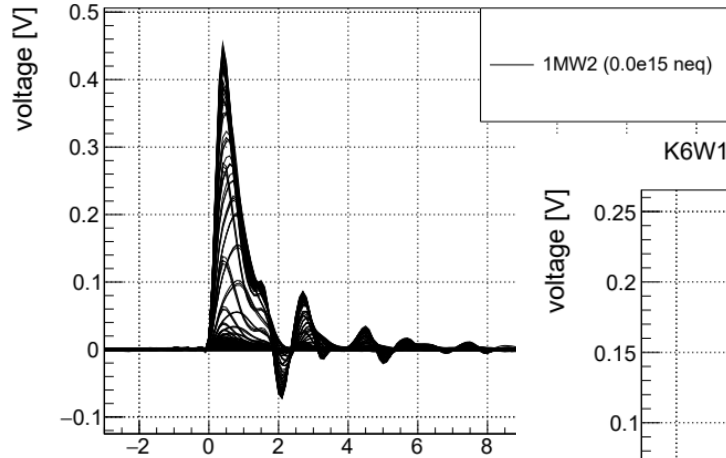


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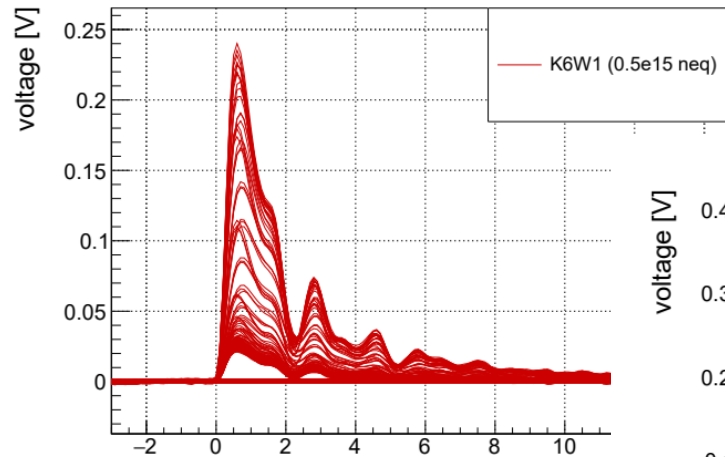


Transient current comparisons

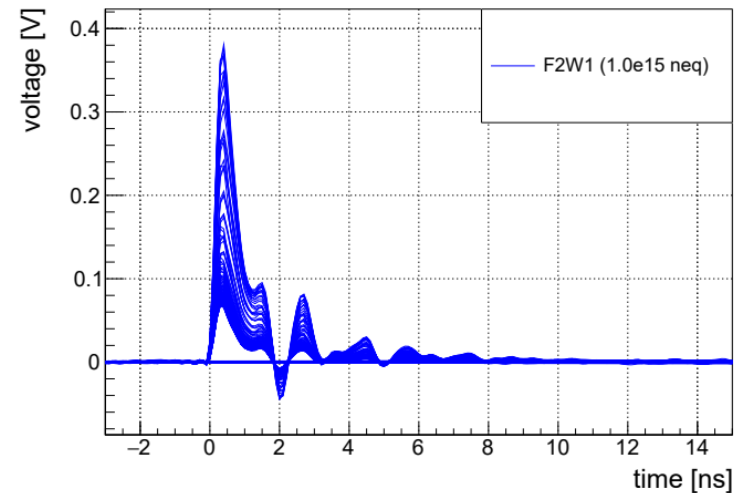
1MW2 (0.0e15 neq) Transient zscan currents (1kV)



K6W1 (0.5e15 neq) Transient zscan currents (1kV)

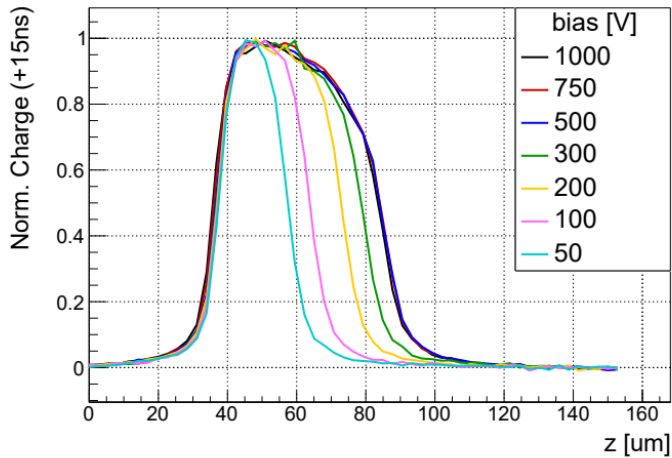


F2W1 (1.0e15 neq) Transient zscan currents (1kV)

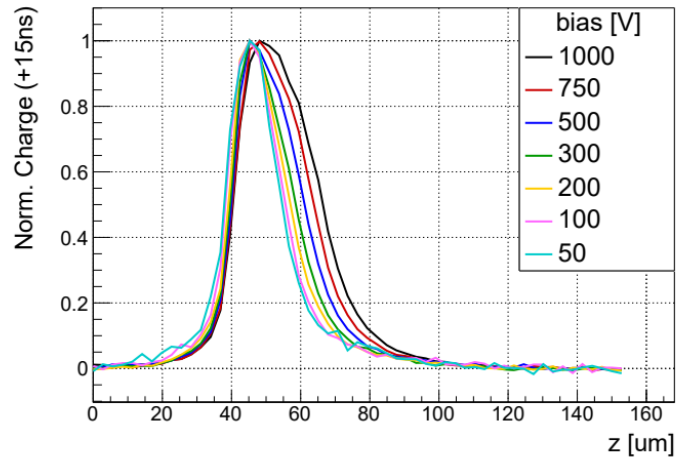


Zscans normalization

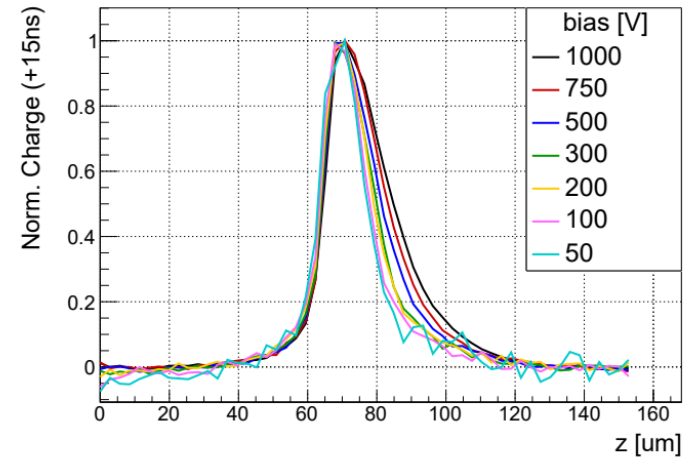
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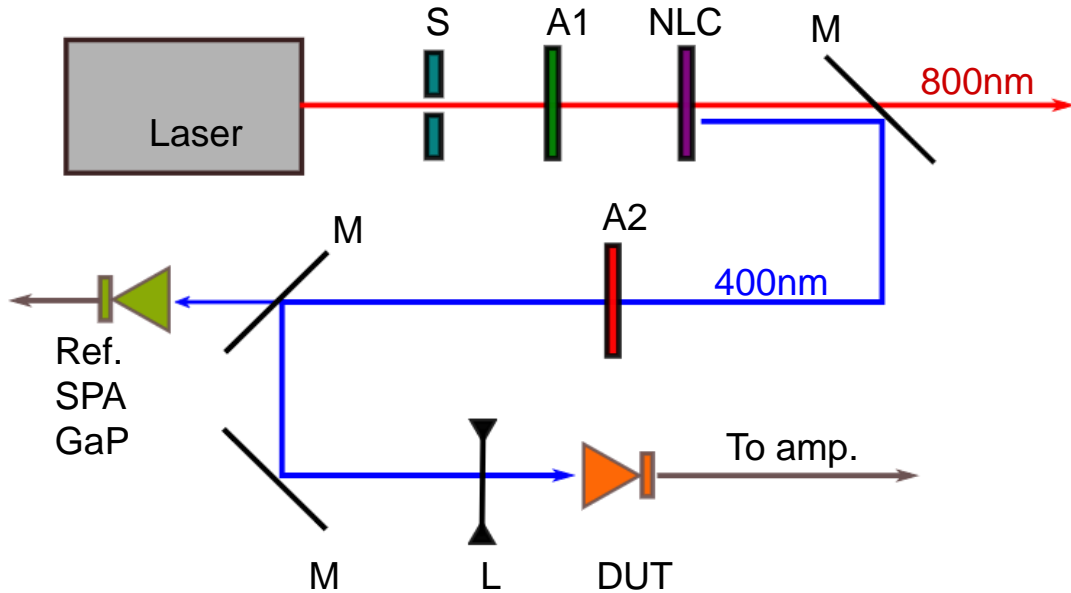
K6W1 (0.5e15 neq)



F2W1 (1.0e15 neq)



Setup improvements (Run 1 → Run 2)



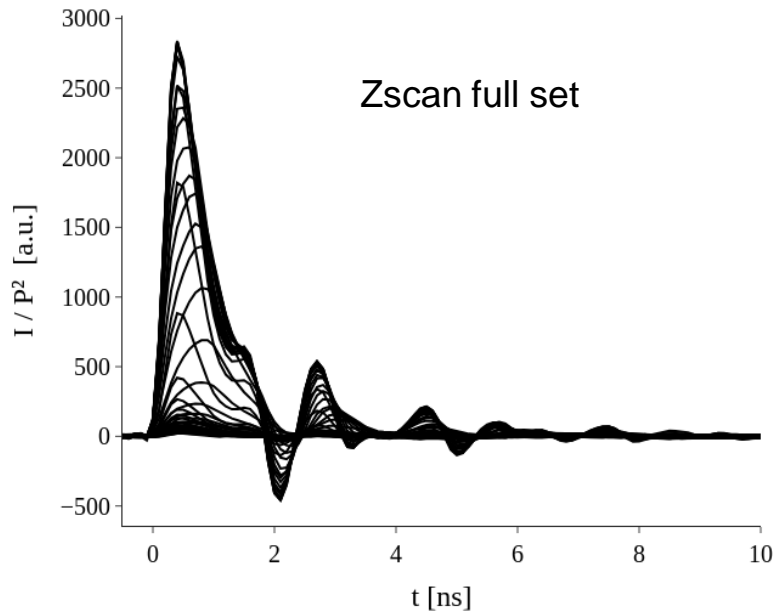
- Better stability:
 - Pumping module of the laser's amplifier replaced.
 - Attenuation procedure
 - Energy monitoring
 - BBO polarization coupling optimized.
- Better resolution
 - Coupling between the laser ray and the objective enhanced.
 - Increment of the effective numerical aperture (more sensitive to aberrations)
- Better signal
 - Measurements close to the conductive ring
 - Different TCT amplifier

Non irradiated detector: Transient currents

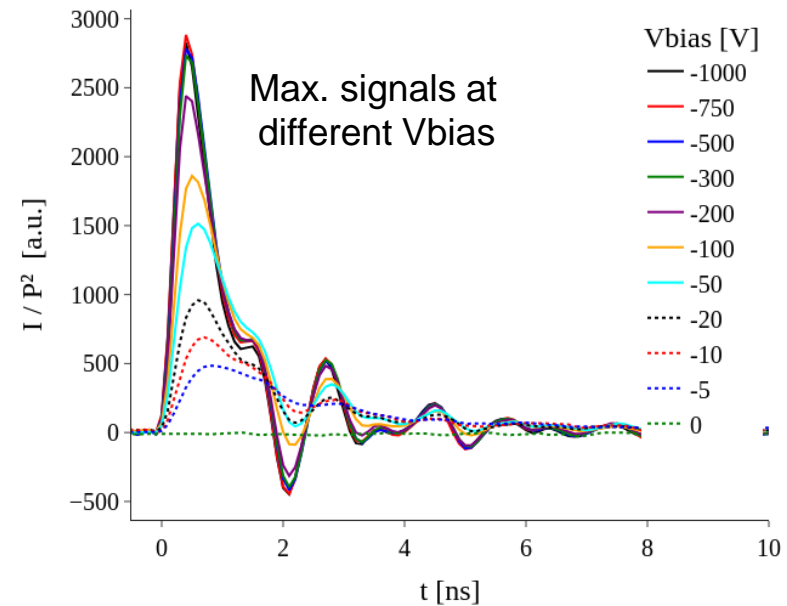
- Analysis of the WF profiles and durations at different Vbias
- The duration of the pulses has decreased (20 um close to the collecting ring)

- Monotonically increasing of the maximum current
- Profile dependence with the bias voltage

Transient currents Vbias = -1kV 1MW2(NI)

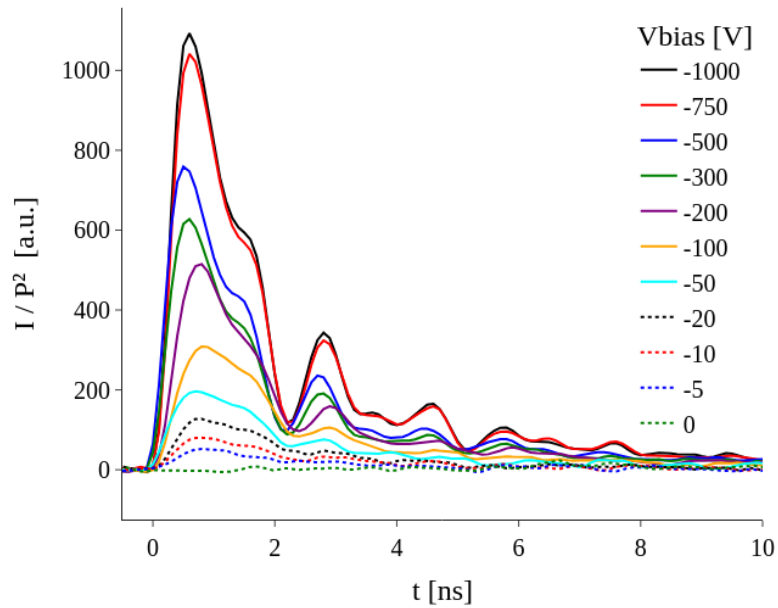


Transient currents 1MW2(NI)

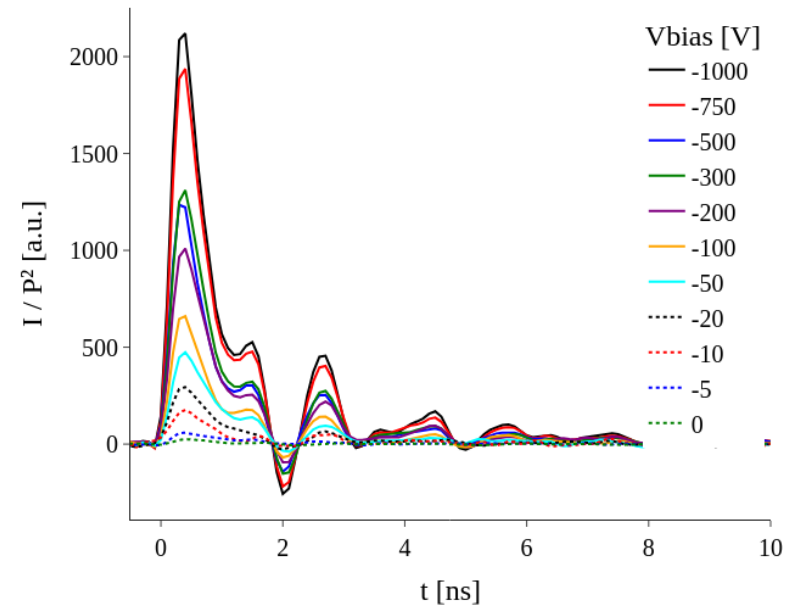


Irradiated detector: Transient currents

Transient currents K6W1(5e14)

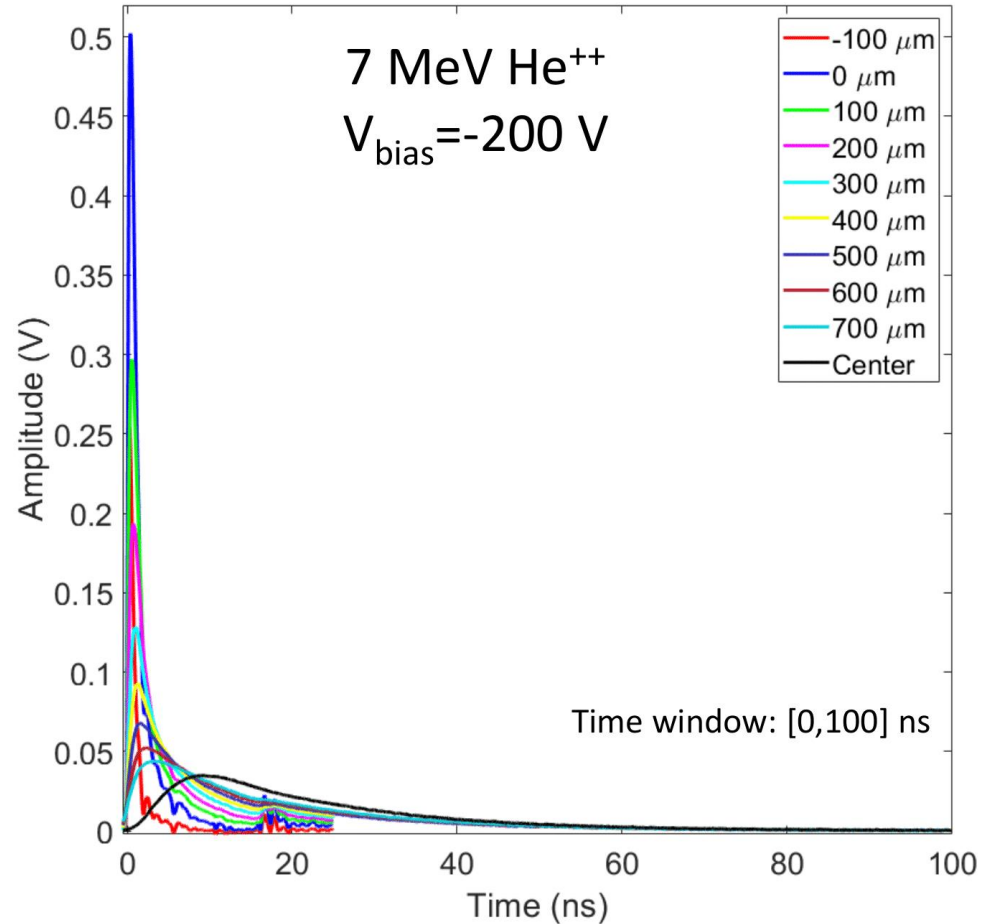
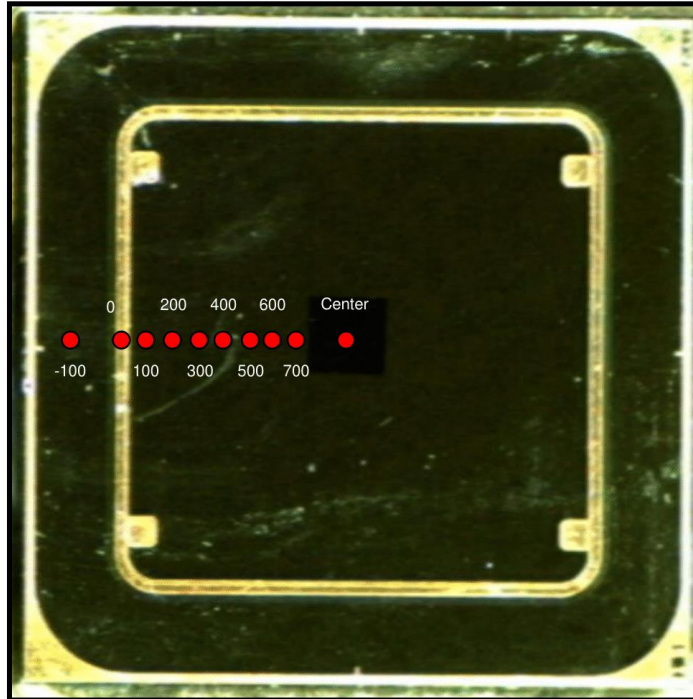


Transient currents F2W1(1e15)



The waveform shapes change as we approach to the center of the detector

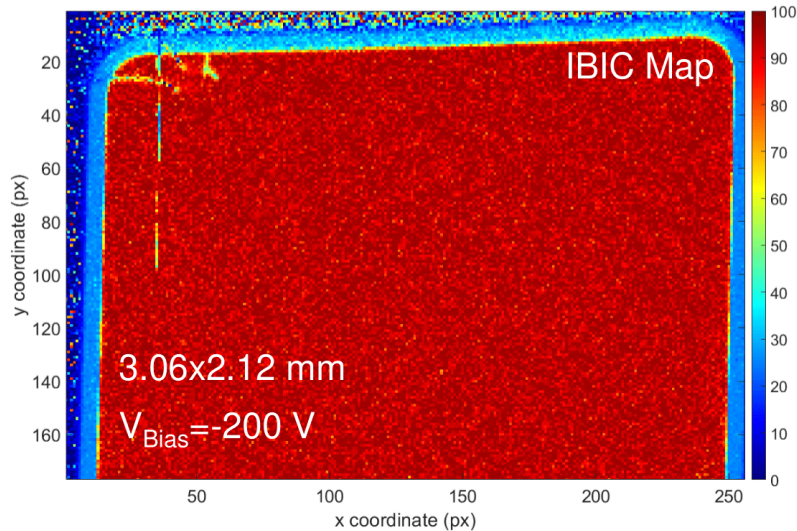
1MW2



Homogeneity of the charge map

1MW2

Close to the edge of the detector the waveforms are faster. However, close to the center, the waveform becomes slower decreasing the signal amplitude.



The mean charge maps are homogeneous even though the TRIBIC signals change with position.

