

Status and perspectives of the **OREO (ORiEnted calOrimeter)** project

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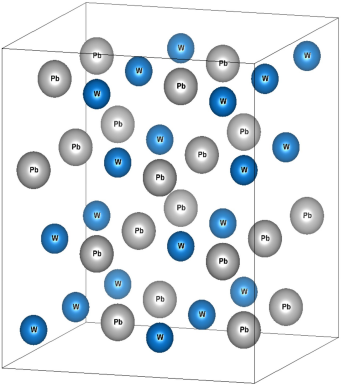
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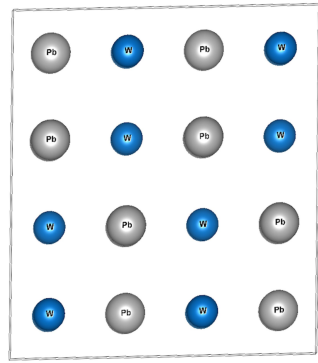
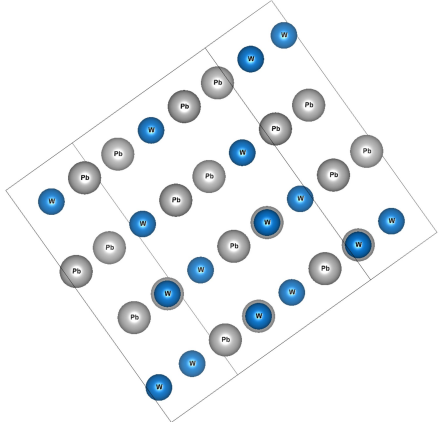
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OREO - ORiEnted calOrimeter

Randomly oriented crystal



Oriented crystals



Planar orientation

Axial orientation

Bethe-Heitler bremsstrahlung and standard pair production

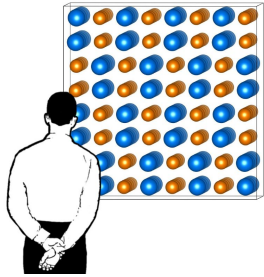
Coherent mechanisms →

Modification of the electromagnetic processes

Relativistic particle incident
on atomic string



STRONG FIELD REGIME



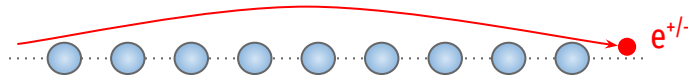
Lorentz factor

$$\chi = \frac{\gamma E}{E_0} > 1$$

Field experienced by the
electron in its rest frame

QED critical electric field $\sim 1.3 \cdot 10^{18} \frac{V}{m}$

The particle experiences an **intense field** that can be considered constant along the string



Coherent interactions
all over the string of atoms

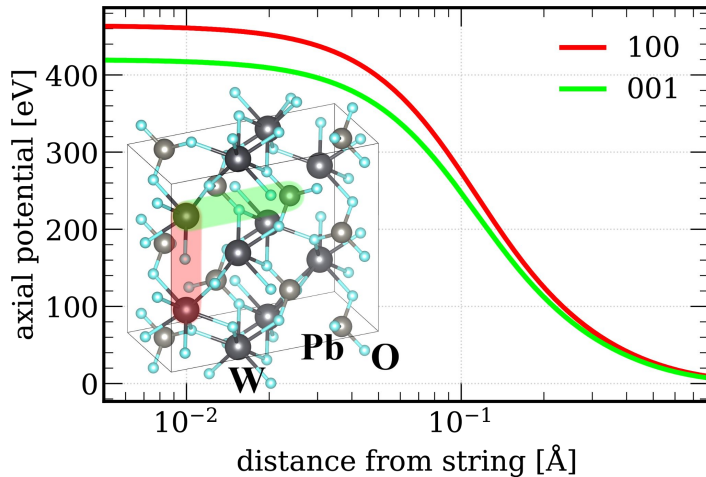


Shift of bremsstrahlung spectra towards
higher energies and **enhancement** of pair
production cross section

Strong field regime



The angle between the particle incidence direction and the crystallographic axis must be smaller than:

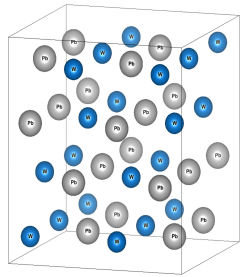


$$\Theta_0 = \frac{U_0}{mc^2}$$

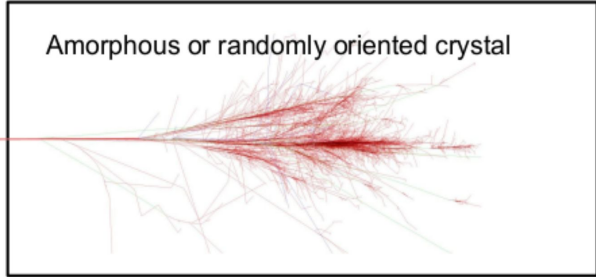
Depth of the potential well associated to the axial field

Axial	Θ_0 [mrad]
W <111>	1.2
PbWO ₄ <001>	0.82

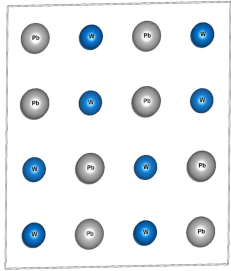
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Particle



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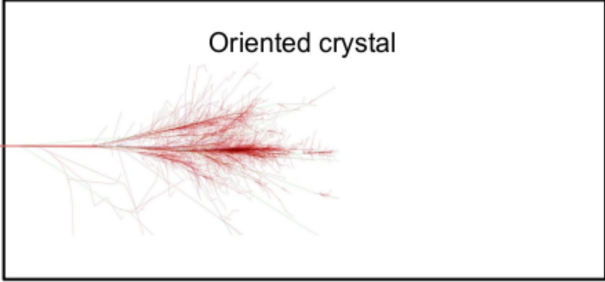


Axial orientation

Strong Field



Particle



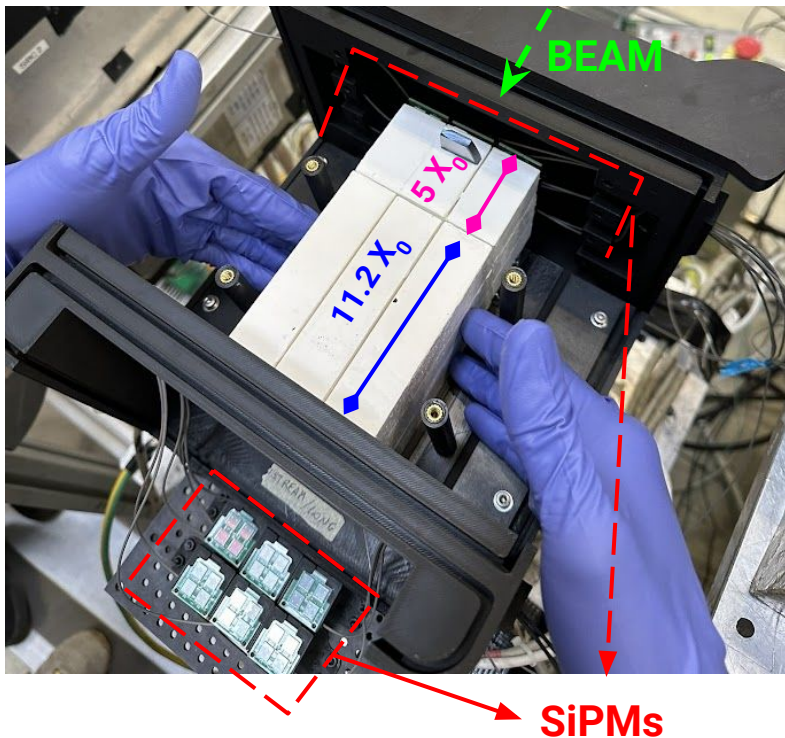
Enhancement of the bremsstrahlung and pair production cross section

Acceleration of the electromagnetic shower

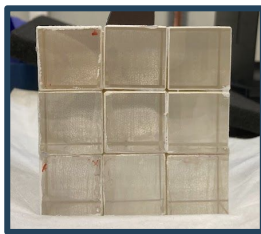
Enhancement in the energy deposited per unit thickness, in the early stage of the shower

OREO - ORiEnted calORimeter → Prototype of compact crystal based calorimeter

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3x3 matrix of **oriented PbWO_4 (PWO)**
readout by SiPMs with:

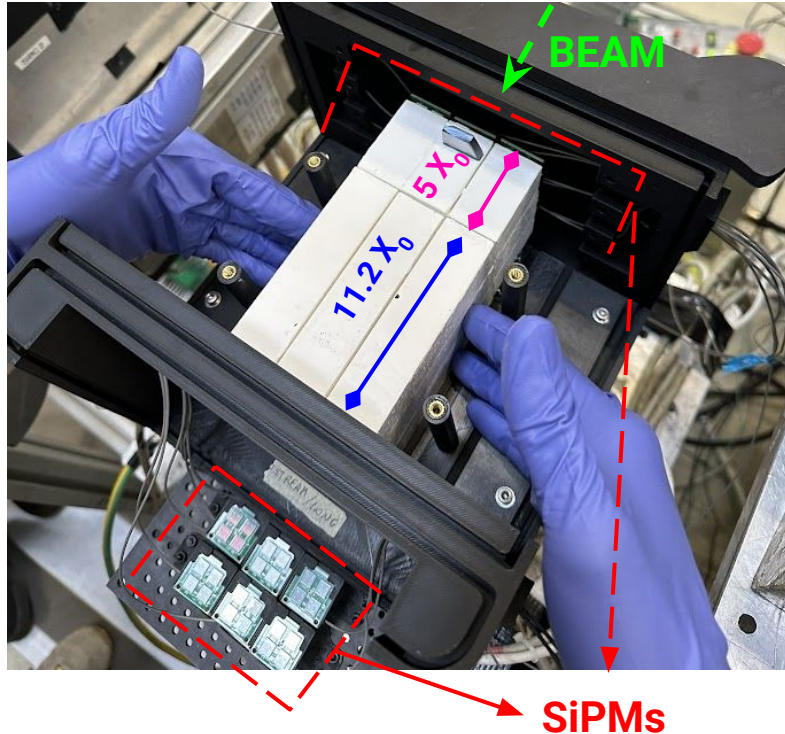


Front face

- An oriented layer of $5 X_0$
- A non oriented layer of $11.2 X_0$

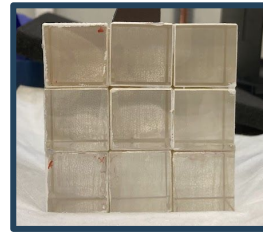
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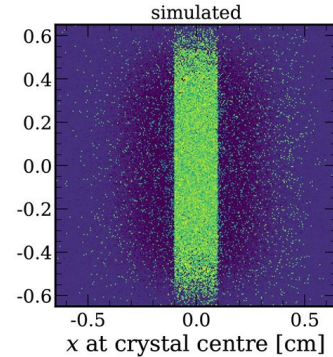
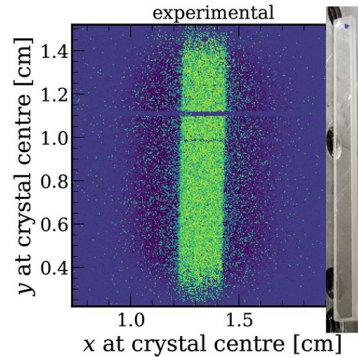
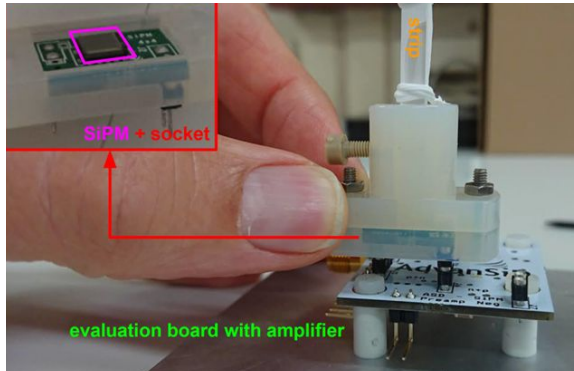
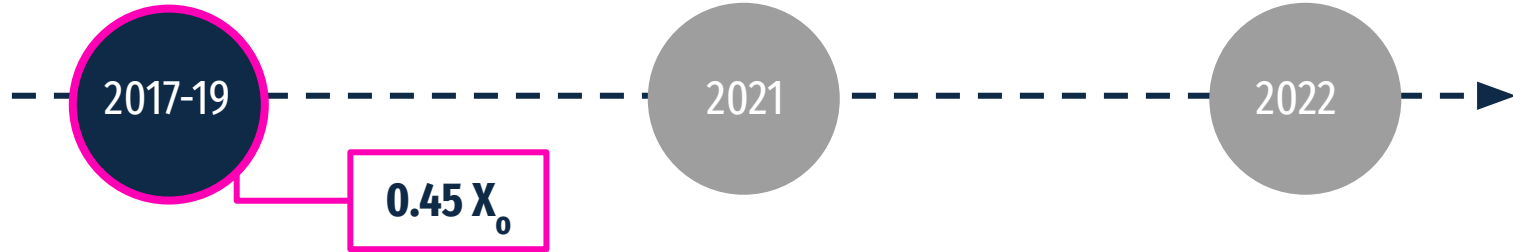
GOAL

1. Demonstrate the possibility to **align a layer of crystals along the same crystallographic direction**
2. Prove that it's possible to **contain e.m. showers in a reduced volume/weight and cost**



Front face

Experimental investigation of the Strong Field effects in oriented PbWO_4 : **samples under test**

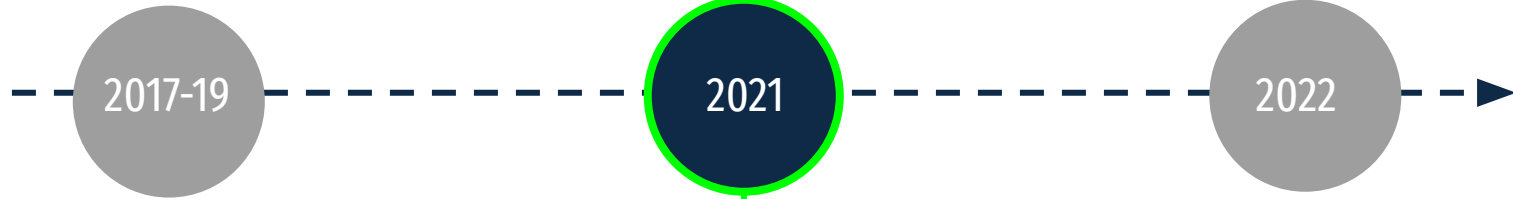


Probed with:
120 GeV/c e^- @ CERN SPS H2
5.6 GeV/c e^- (no SiPMs) @ DESY T21

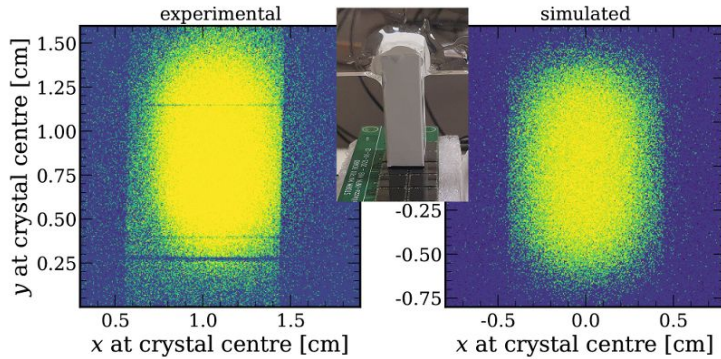
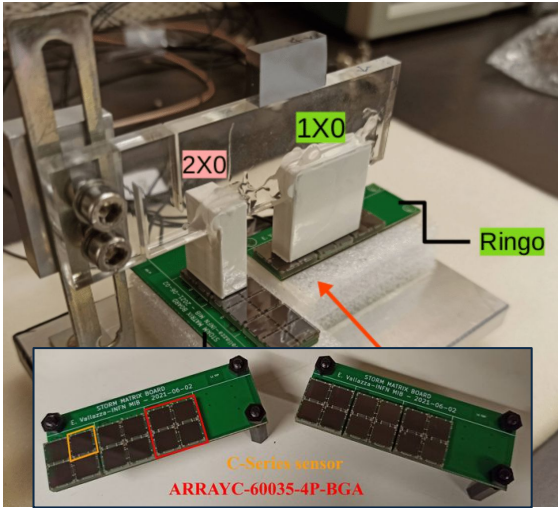
SiPM: AdvanSiD ASD-NUV4S-P
[Soldani et al. \(2022\)](#)

**First observation of Strong Field effects to
radiation in oriented PWO**
[Bandiera et al. \(2018\)](#)

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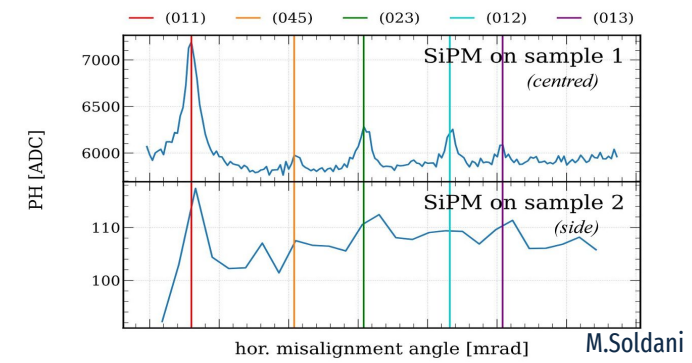
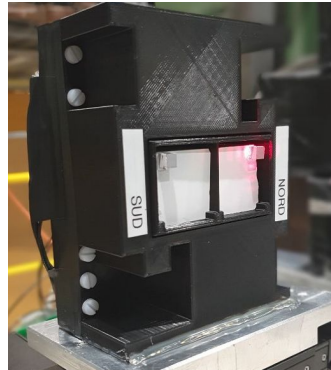
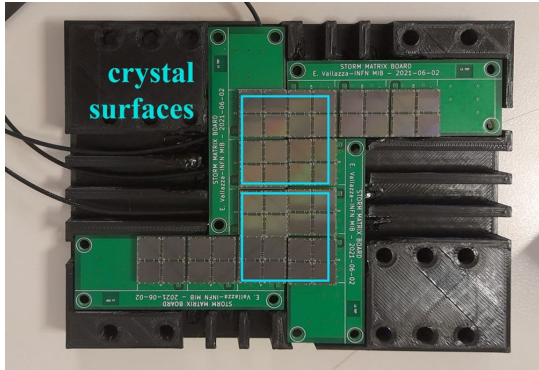
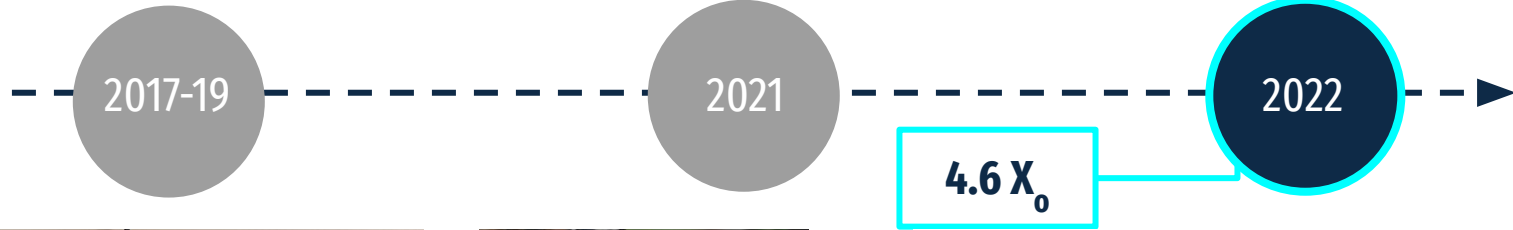
$1-2 X_0$



Probed with:
120 GeV/c e^- @ CERN SPS H2
1-100 GeV/c γ @ CERN SPS H2

SiPM: [onsemi ARRAYC-60035-4P-BGA arrays](#)

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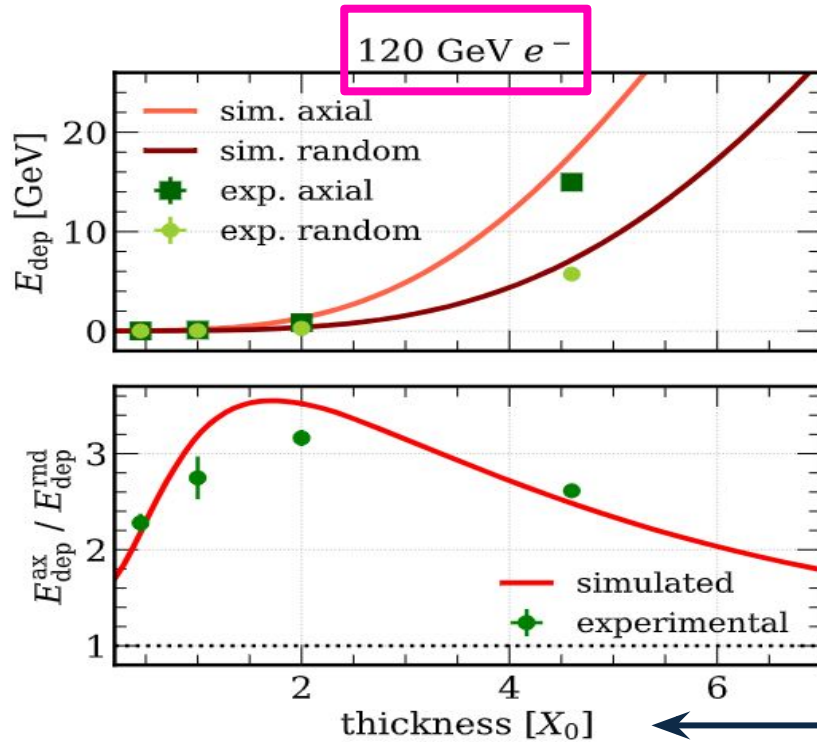
Probed with 100, 120 GeV/c e^- @ CERN SPS H2

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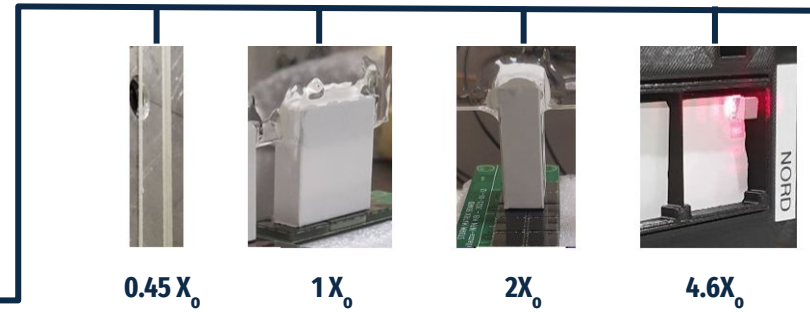
Preliminary test of (purely mechanical) mutual alignment
between 2 identical samples and shower sharing

Experimental investigation of the Strong Field effects in oriented PbWO_4 : **Results: shower acceleration \rightarrow enhancement of the effective thickness !**

[Soldani et al.](#)



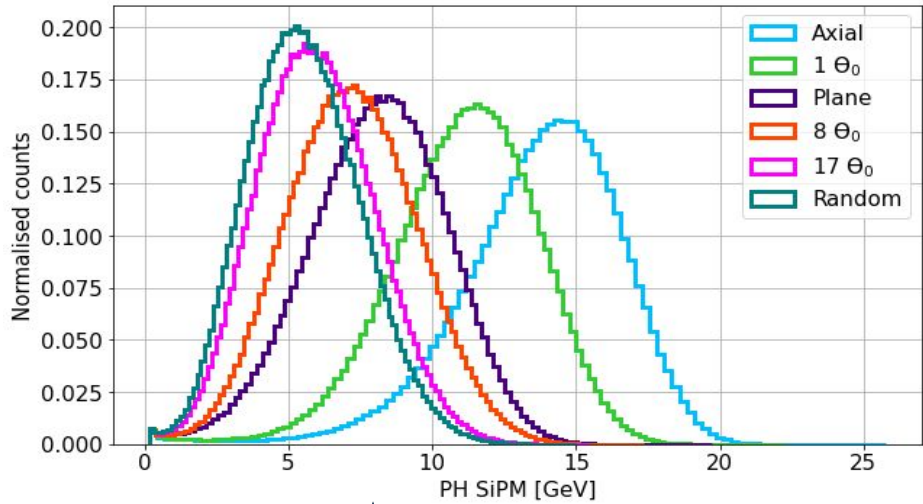
thickness [X_0]	effective thickness [X_0]	thickness enhancement [%]
0.45	0.745	165.48
1	1.520	151.98
2	2.923	146.17
4.6	6.208	134.96



Experimental investigation of the Strong Field effects in oriented PbWO₄:

Results: angular range

[Soldani et al.](#)



$$\Theta_0 = \frac{U_0}{mc^2} \rightarrow \text{For PbWO}_4 \text{ axis } \langle 001 \rangle$$

$\Theta_0 \sim 0.82 \text{ mrad}$

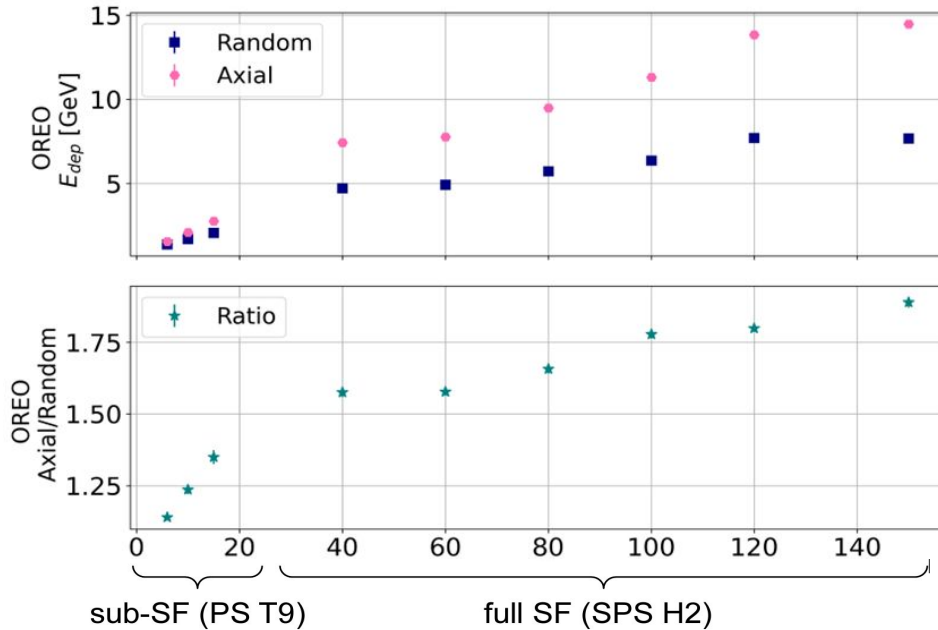
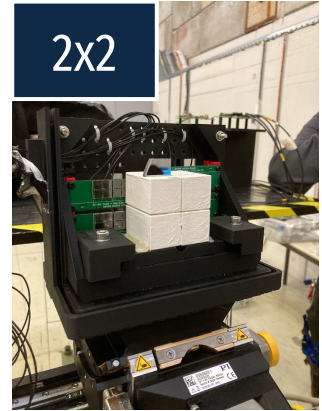
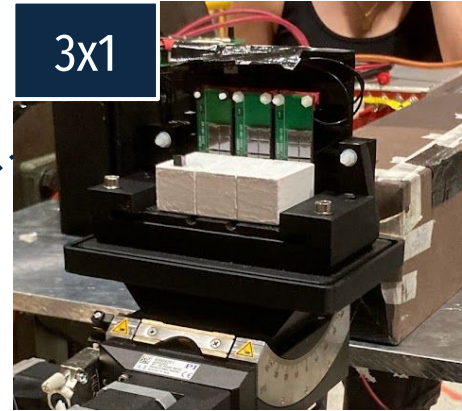
Acceleration in the e.m. shower development is visible **for an incident angle Θ up to 1° (17 mrad)**



120 GeV/c e⁻ @ CERN SPS H2

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5 X_0 PWO arrays



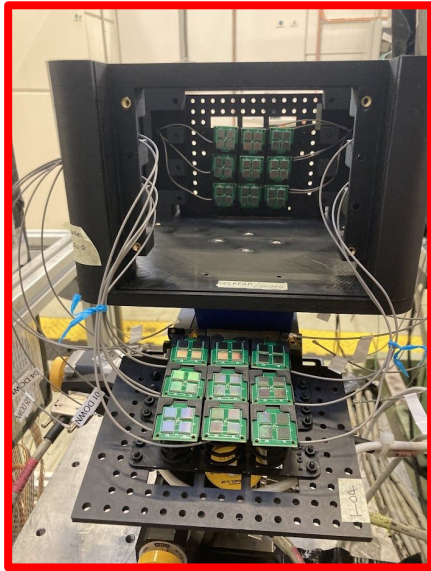
Axis-random **enhancement** grows with the incident **electron energy**

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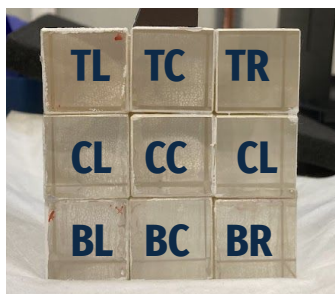
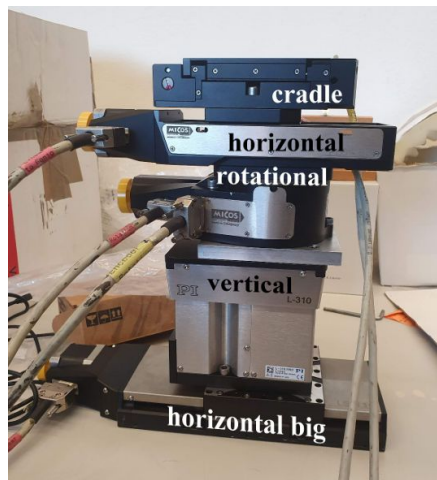
3x3 matrix of **oriented PbWO₄** (PWO) readout by **SiPMs** with:

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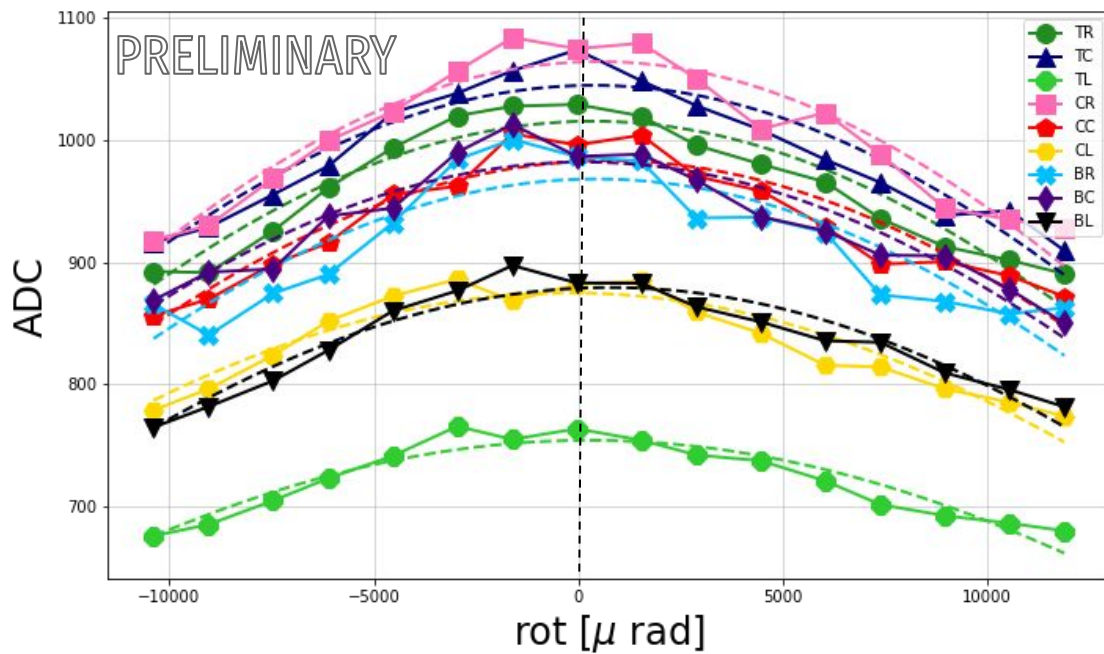
SiPM: [Hamamatsu MPPC](#)

Goniometer



Preliminary results @ T9 CERN PS

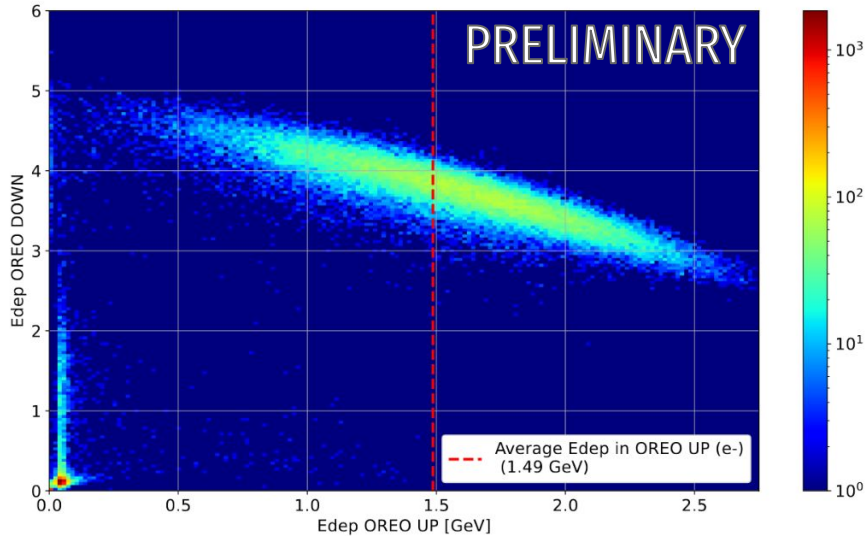
The crystals are well inter-aligned!



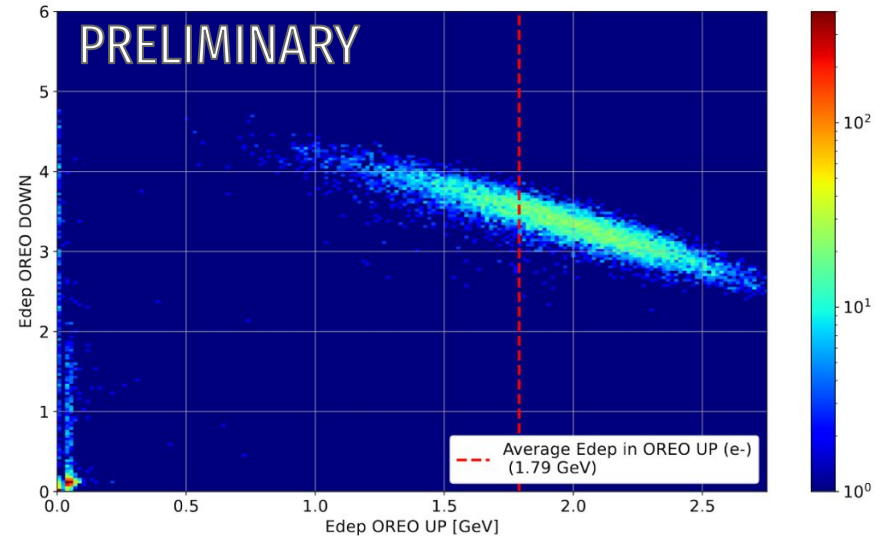
electrons / hadrons discrimination

6 GeV mixed beam, T9 beamline @ CERN PS

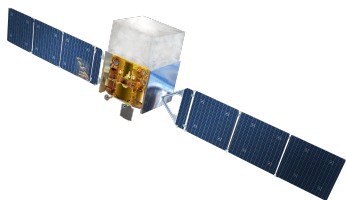
RANDOM



AXIAL



The axial strong field modifies only the electromagnetic processes:
the hadrons are unaffected by the lattice orientation.



ORiEnted calOrimeter for...

space-borne γ -ray (VHE/UHE) detectors
with pointing systems
e.g. Fermi LAT

- reduced thickness
- improved shower containment with less longitudinal leakage
- higher γ efficiency
- better γ /hadron discrimination



[Bandiera, CRIS-MAC 2024](#)
[Bandiera et al.](#)

forward-geometry
accelerator-based experiments
fixed-target collider forward region

- improved shower containment and energy resolution
- higher γ efficiency: ideal for γ vetoes
- better γ /hadron discrimination: ideal for γ /n in small-angle calorimeters on neutral hadron beamlines



[Monti-Guarnieri et al.](#)

Thanks for the attention

