




# Task 8.4.1: Innovative SiPMs and future applications in PiD Detectors

## Introduction and task overview

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<b>Task 8.4.1: Innovative SiPMs and future applications in PiD Detectors</b>	<i>Rok Pestotnik</i>
<i>Sala Bellini</i>	15:25 - 15:40
<b>Task 8.4.1: Irradiation SiPM tests at Padova</b>	<i>Ezio Torassa et al.</i> 
<i>Sala Bellini</i>	15:40 - 15:55
<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<i>Sala Bellini</i>	16:00 - 16:20
<b>Task 8.4.1: Subtask multi channel readout and adaptive power supply</b>	<i>Ivo Polak</i>
<i>Sala Bellini</i>	16:20 - 16:35



# Collaborating institutions

Collaborating institutions with contacts and research interests/ projects

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# Goals and Objectives

Use of SiPM sensors for a light detection in a new generation of PID detectors

**Expected neutron fluence up to  $10^{13}$  neq/cm<sup>2</sup>**

## ❑ Detection of **single photons** (LHCb RICH, Belle II ARICH + TOP)

- Ring Imaging Cherenkov detectors – the use of SiPMs in highly irradiated environments

Improve robustness of SiPMs under neutron irradiation

- Keep low production cost, high efficiency & good time resolution

- Systematic study of neutron irradiated SiPMs at different temperatures

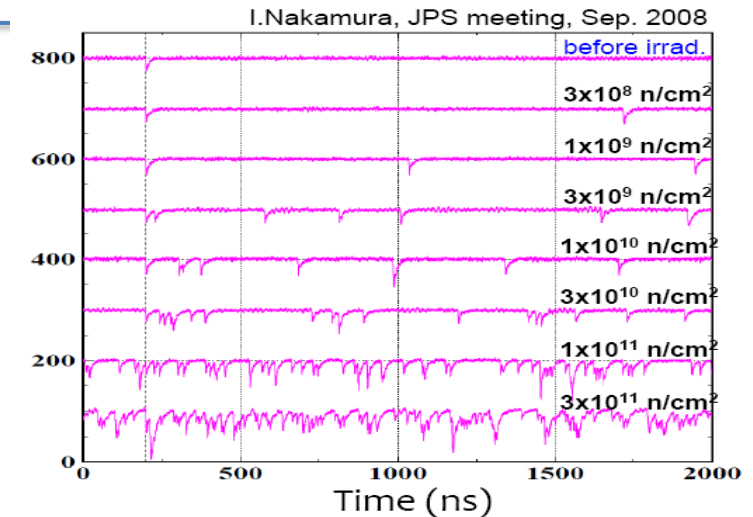
@ JSI Ljubljana

@ INFN Padova → talk by E.Torrassa

- Beam tests of RICH prototypes with SiPMs @ CERN
- Development of SiPMs with improved radiation resistance @ FBK
- **Develop mitigation strategies**

## ❑ Detection of **many photons** (CALICE Analog Hadron Calorimeter ) @ Bergen, FZU, FOTON

- Multi channel readout and adaptive power supply -→ talk by I. Polak



**Milestone MS33**, Due Month 18, achieved, Report to StCom → Lead **JSI**

Definition of SiPM requirements and performance studies with simulations of different use cases.

**Deliverable D8.3 Deadline: 30.11.2024**

Qualification of neutron irradiated SiPMs at different temperatures – Reportv → Lead: JSI

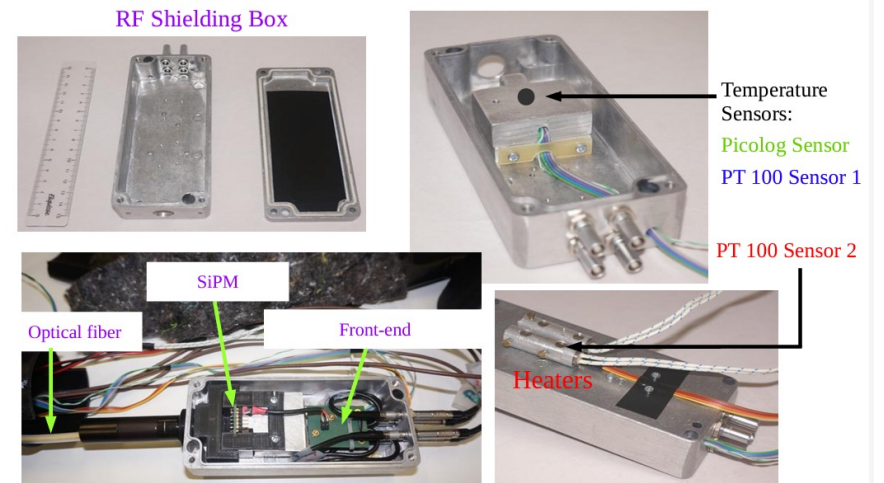
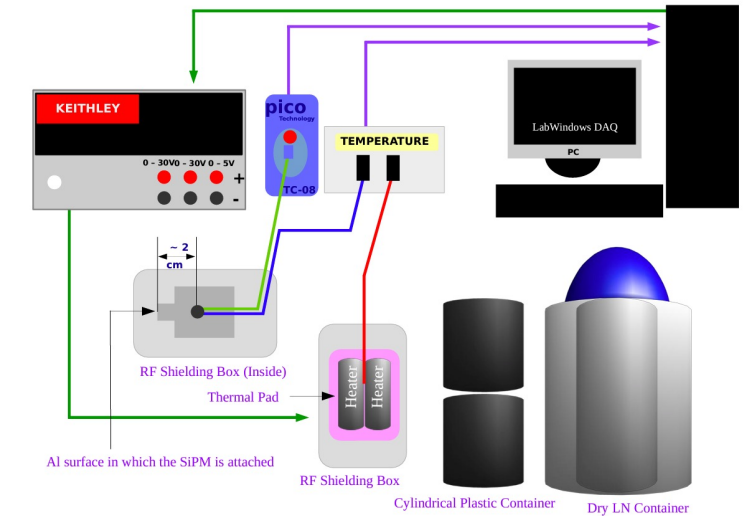
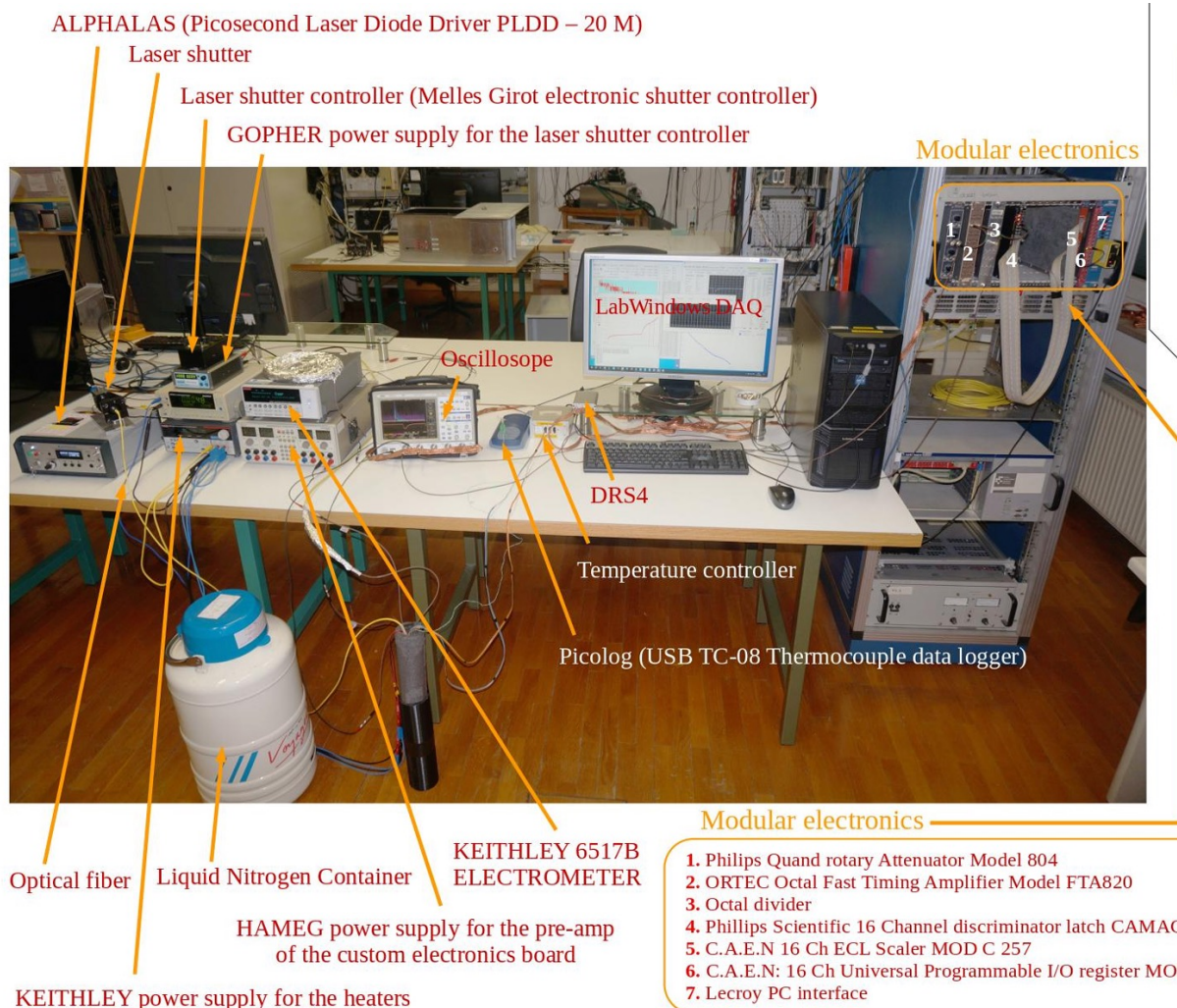
Due to preparation of the clean room delay in the production at FBK : expected Q4 2024

+ time needed for the characterization at labs 6 months

→ **move the deliverable for several months or to the end of the AIDAInnova.**

# Characterisation setup & protocol @JSI

Samples+ electronics enclosed in an insulated box inserted in the cryo- container and then heated with a resistive heater





# Characterisation

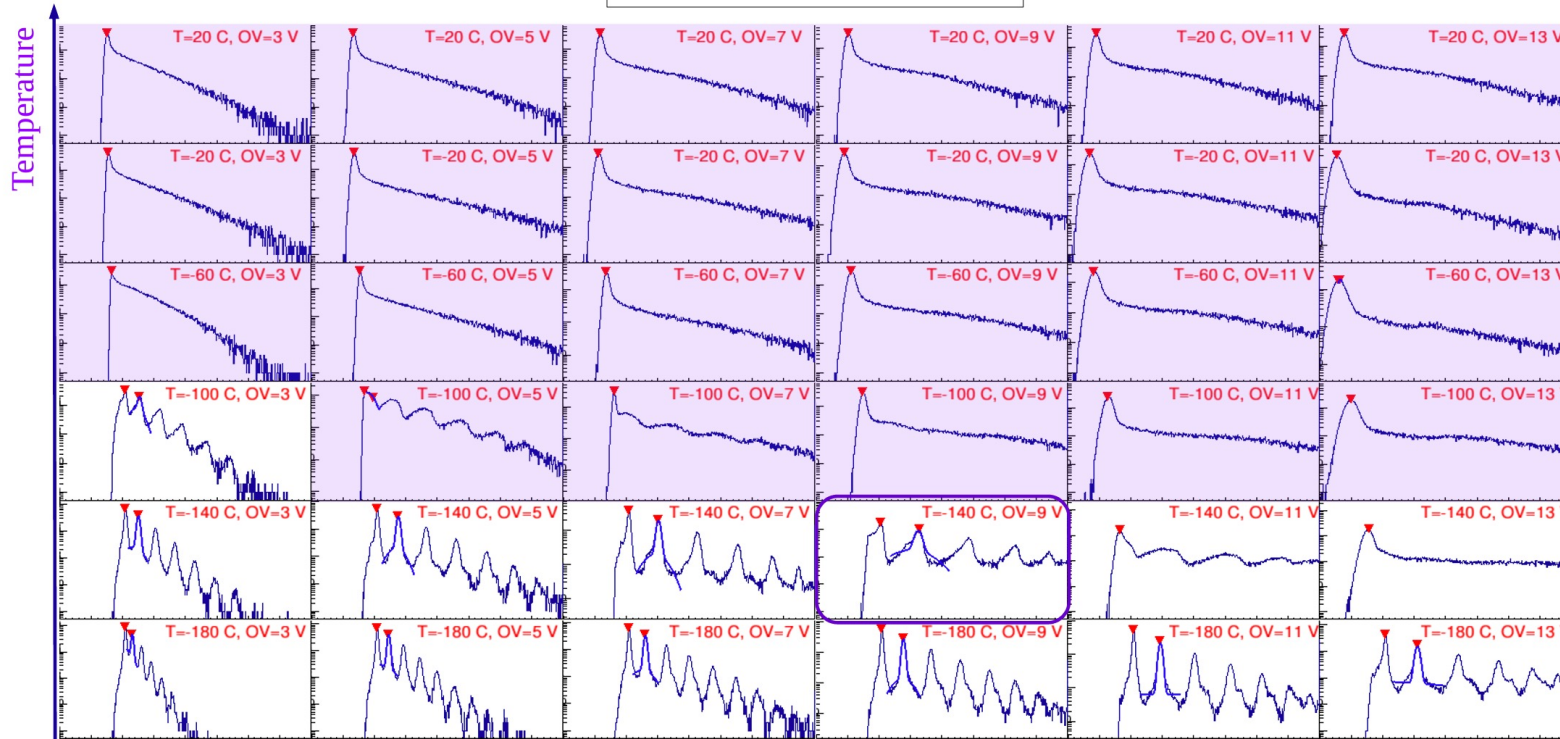
Characterization of irradiated SiPMs at different temperatures



- I-V dependence
- Dark Count Rate (DCR)
- Waveform acquisition:
  - Single Photon Time Resolution (SPTR)
  - Pulse height distributions

After Irradiation

QDC,  $10^{12}$  neq/cm<sup>2</sup>

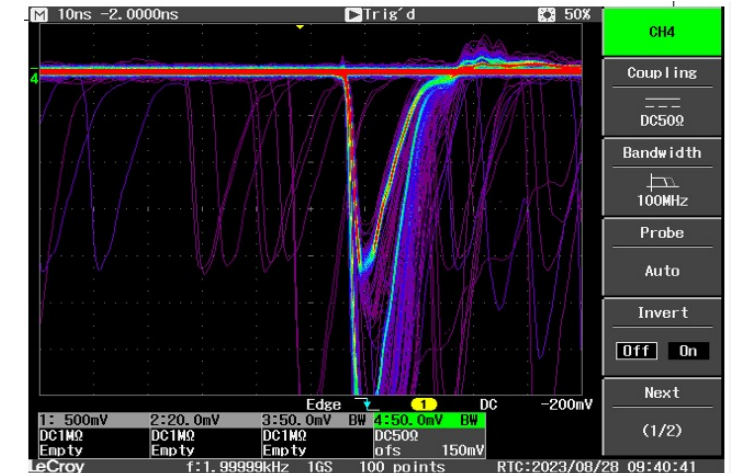


Overvoltage

stable operation: **Single photons at 9 V Over Voltage can be resolved after irradiation**



Works at -140 °C



# Characterisation of Neutron irradiated SiPMs @JSI

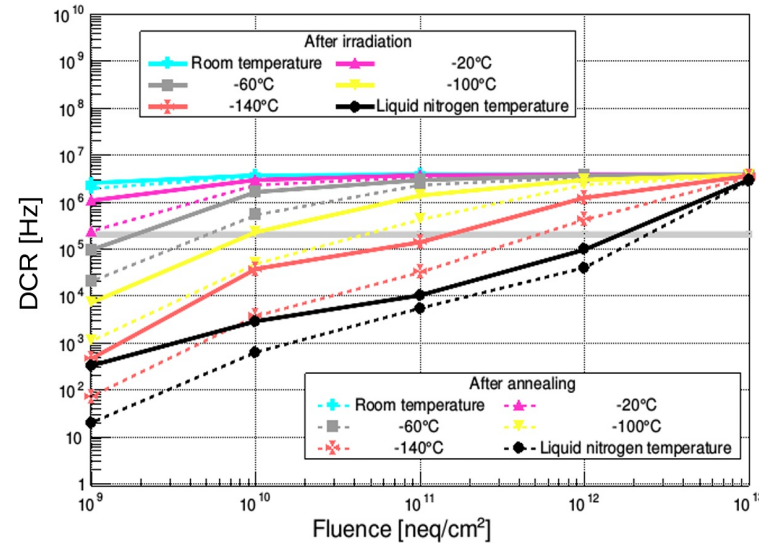
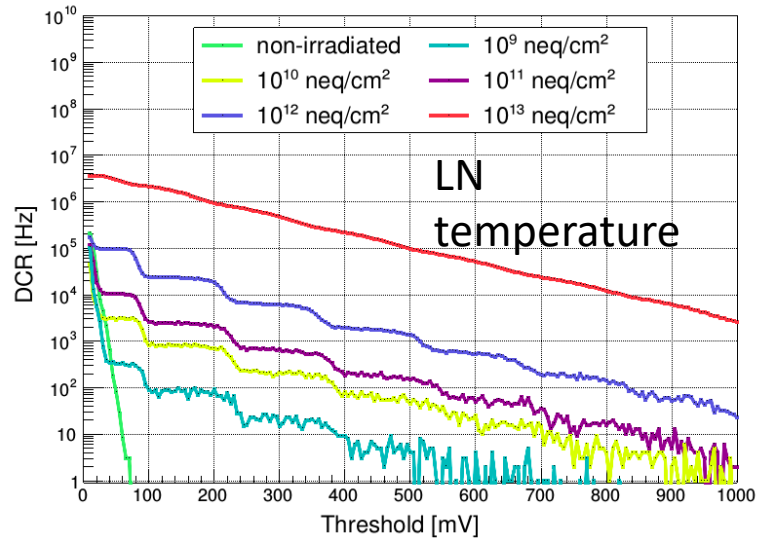
## Evaluation of SiPMs :

- 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup> FBK NUV-HD-RH samples
- HF high power cryogenic readout

Irradiated with neutrons :  $10^9 \dots 10^{13}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup> and later annealed at 80 deg. for 24h  
 Cooled down to -196 deg. in steps of 40 deg.

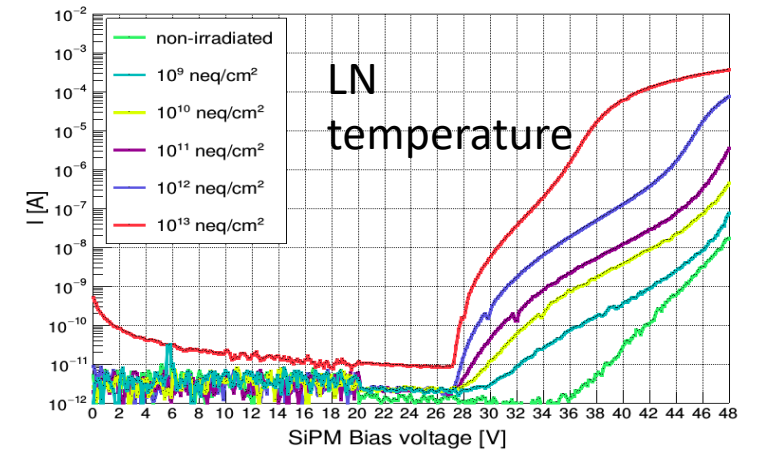


## Dark count rate



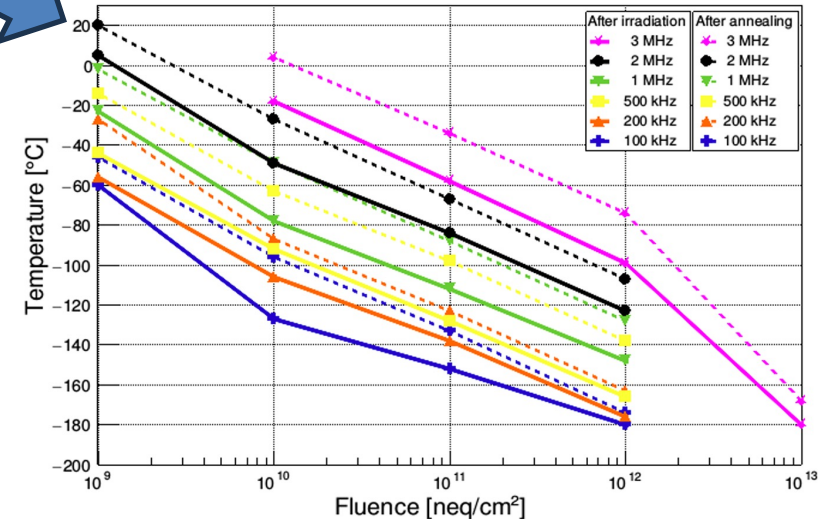
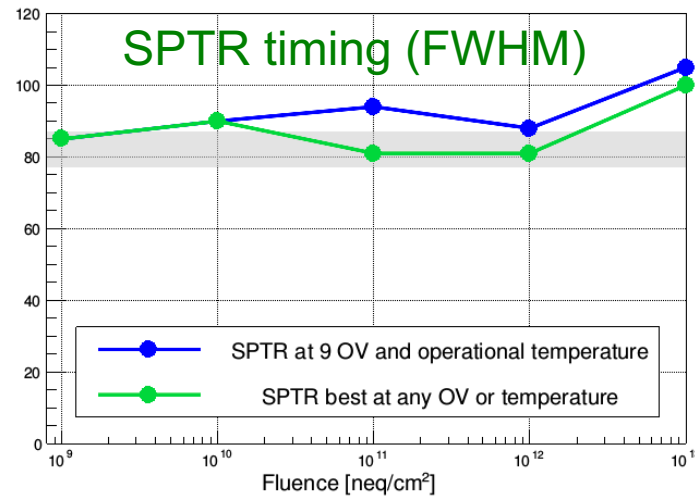
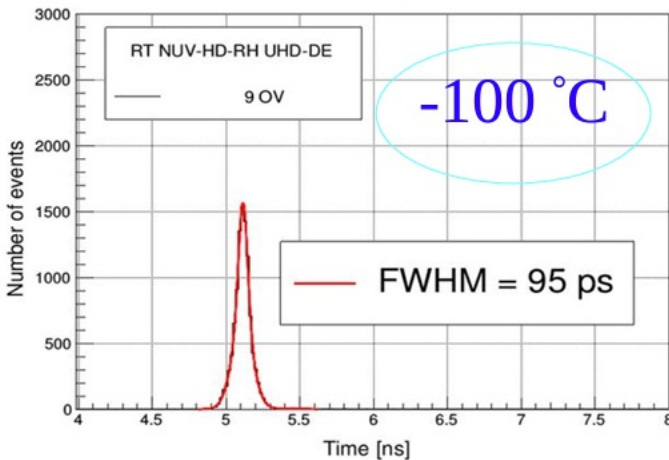
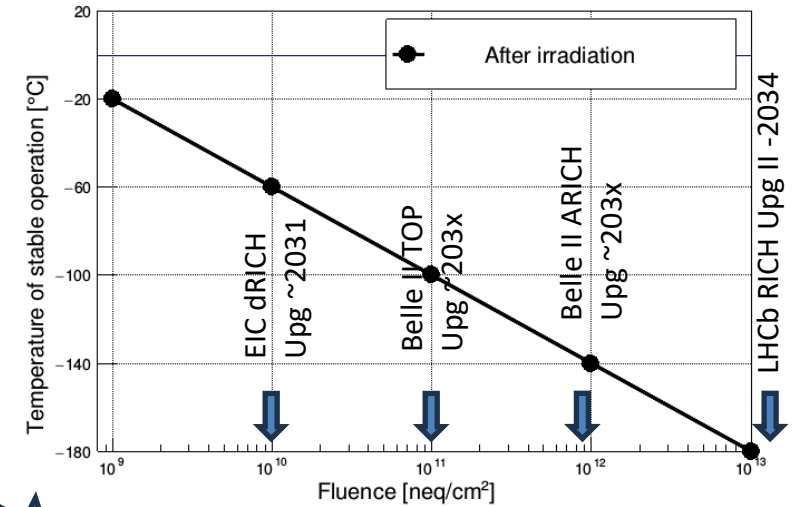
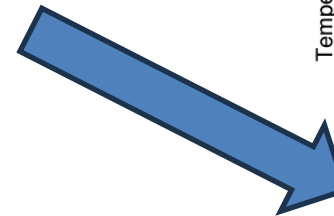
## I-V dependance

Damage visible already at LN



# Temperature of stable operation

- Temperature at which the SiPM are "usable", i.e. where the single photo electron peak @ 9V Over Voltage is separated from the background.
- Temperature below which the Dark Count rate falls below certain value.
- Depends on the readout electronics



\*Paper under preparation







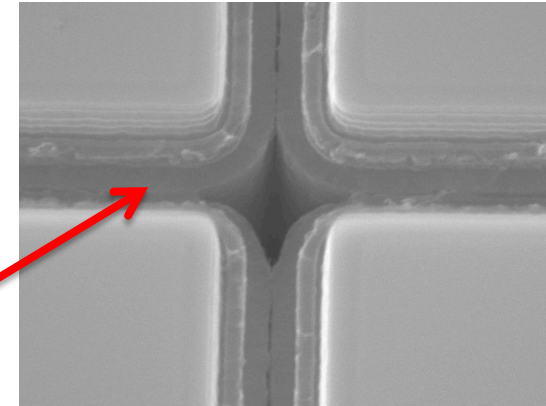
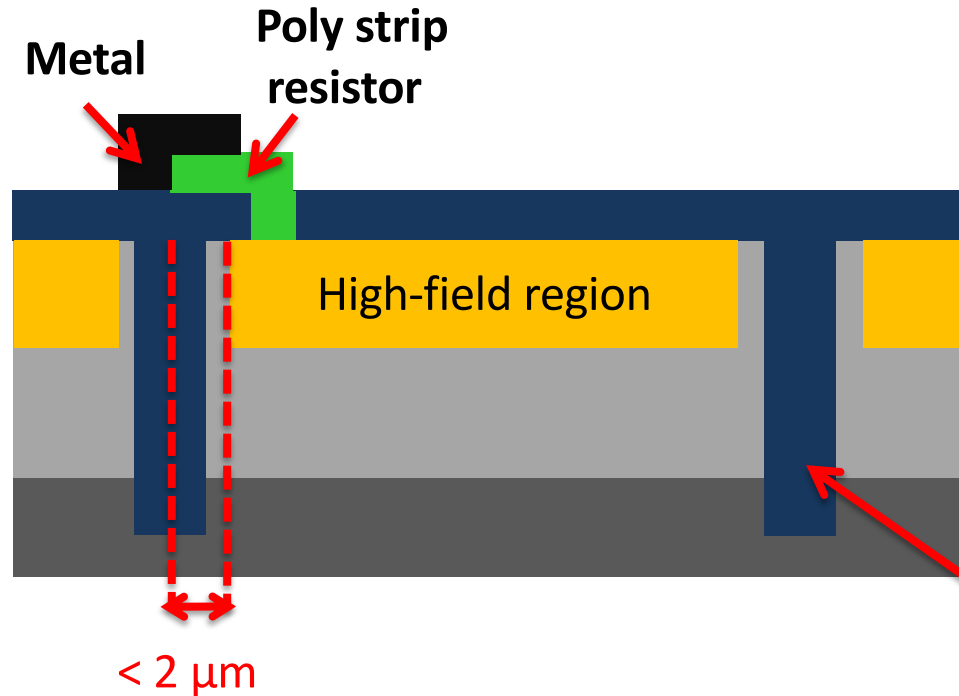
# AIDAInnova

## Production of new samples at FBK

### Layout and splits

# NUV-HD for AIDAInnova

Design of new rad hard design with low field is under way –  
Production start: Q1 2024, finished Aug, 2024



Trenches between cells  
filled with highly doped  
polysilicon as light  
absorbing material

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## Advantages:

- Lower cross-talk

# NUV-HD for AIDAInnova 3x3 mm<sup>2</sup>

## 2x2 array of 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup> and mini-SiPM

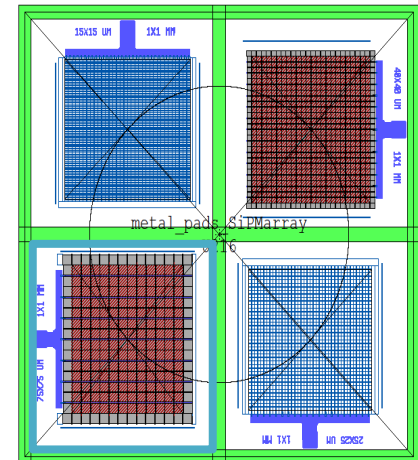
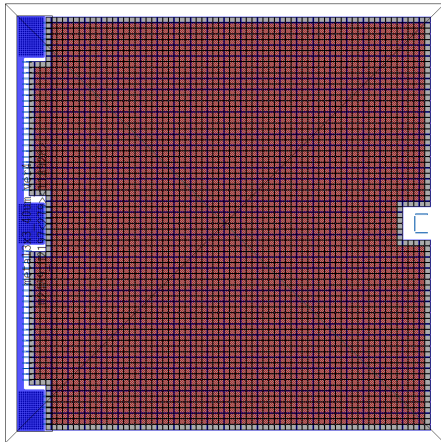
The test structures will include several different SiPM and pixel sizes

- Aim: timing tests
- Die size: 3.15 mmx3.15mm
- Cell pitch: 15um, 25um, 40um, 75um
- Metal grid
- 3 bonding pads

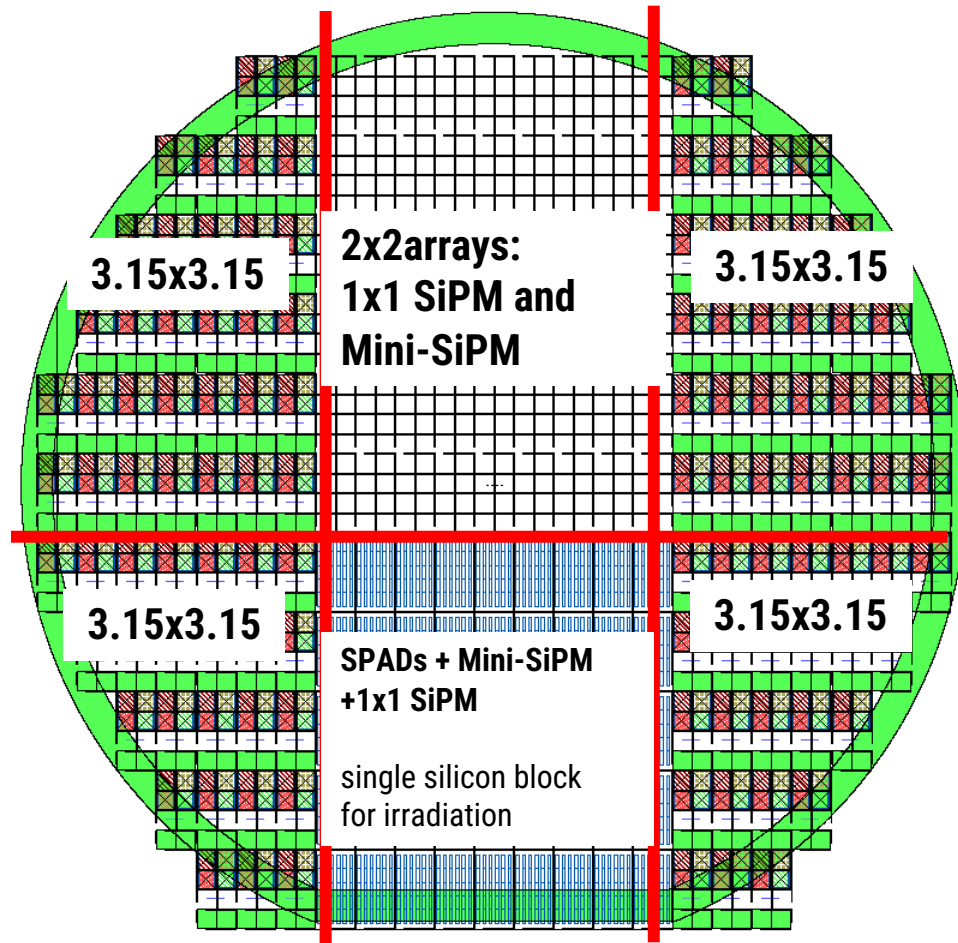
- Die size: 3.15 mmx3.15mm
- Cell size: 15um, 25um, 40um, 75um
- Array of 2x2 with active area:  
~ 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup>, ~ 0.75x0.75 mm<sup>2</sup>, ~ 0.5x0.5 mm<sup>2</sup>, ~ 0.25x0.25 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Same bonding PADs
- Same center of active areas
- The 2x2 array variants can be sub-singulated in 4 individual pieces of 1.57x1.57mm

### Variants of 2x2 arrays:

- 1) 2x2 array of SiPM 1x1mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um-25um-40um-75um cell size
- 2) 2x2 array of SiPM 0.75x0.75mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um-25um-40um-75um cell size
- 3) 2x2 array of SiPM 0.5x0.5mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um-25um-40um-75um cell size
- 4) 2x2 array of SiPM 0.25x0.25mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um-25um-40um-75um cell size
- 5) 2x1 array of SiPM 1.5x1.5mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um+25um cell size - (or slightly less, so that they still fit in the 3.15x3.15mm<sup>2</sup> die)
- 6) 2x1 array of SiPM 1.5x1.5mm<sup>2</sup> with 40um+75um cell size - (or slightly less, so that they still fit in the 3.15x3.15mm<sup>2</sup> die)
- 7) single SiPM 2x2mm<sup>2</sup> with 15um cell size
- 8) single SiPM 2x2mm<sup>2</sup> with 40um cell size



# NUV-HD for AIDAInnova Wafer composition



Chip size 3.15x3.15mm<sup>2</sup>.  
The 2x2 array variants can be sub-singulated in 4 individual pieces of 1.57x1.57mm<sup>2</sup>

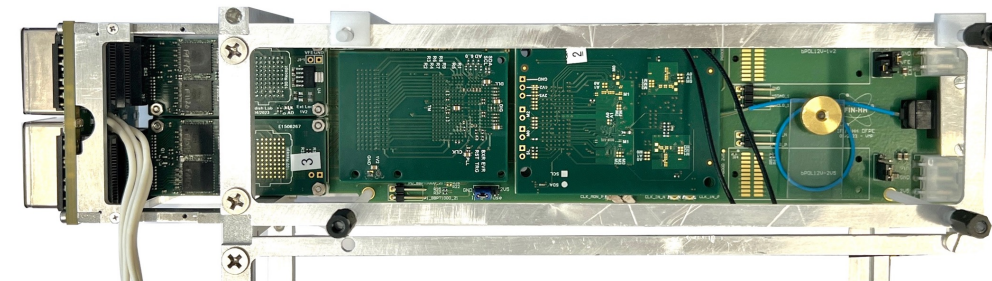
Additional test structures will include a SiPM with isolated SPADs to quantify the distribution of damaged cells and determine the main cause of dark pulses



# Characterisation of SiPM and electronics readout for LHCb RICH LS3 enhancements at CERN

2023 front-end readout chain designed and tested at the CERN SPS testbeam.

- Highly integrated chain of FastIC, picoTDC, IpGBT and VTRX+,
- 25 ps timing resolution,
- 10 Gbps output data throughput.
- coupled to : SiPM, MAPMT and LAPPD.
- Important step for 2024 beam and lab tests

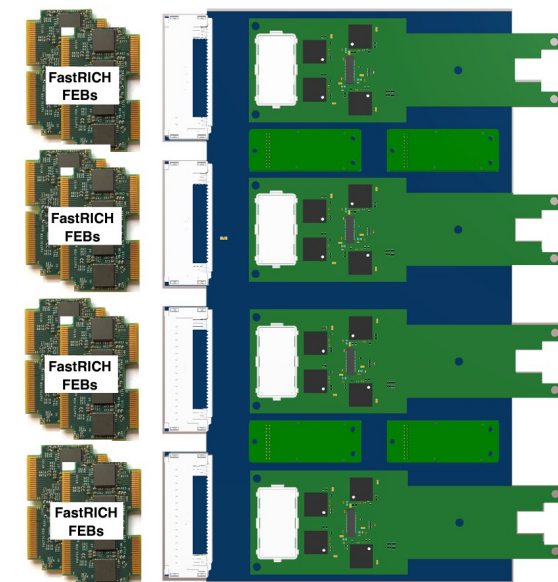


Design of the front-end ASIC FastRICH  
– production first samples in Q3 2024

Many added features:

- fast-timing,
- improved data throughput and
- radiation hardness.

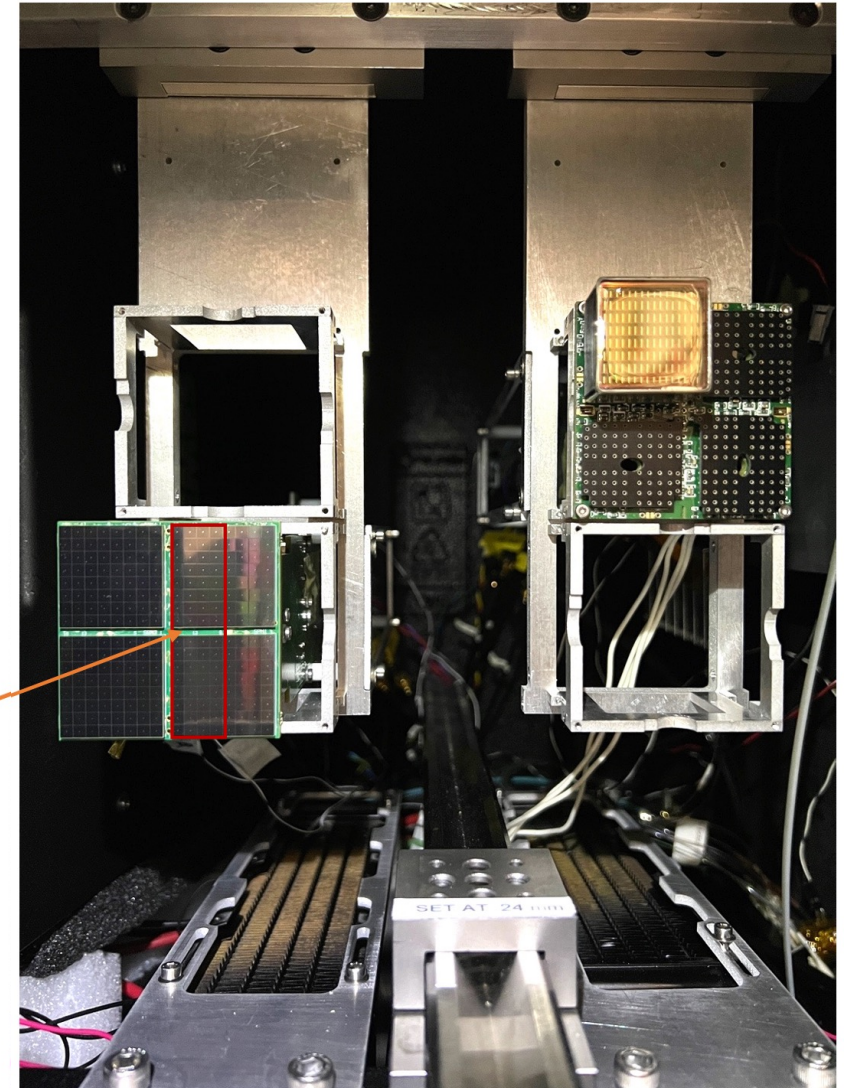
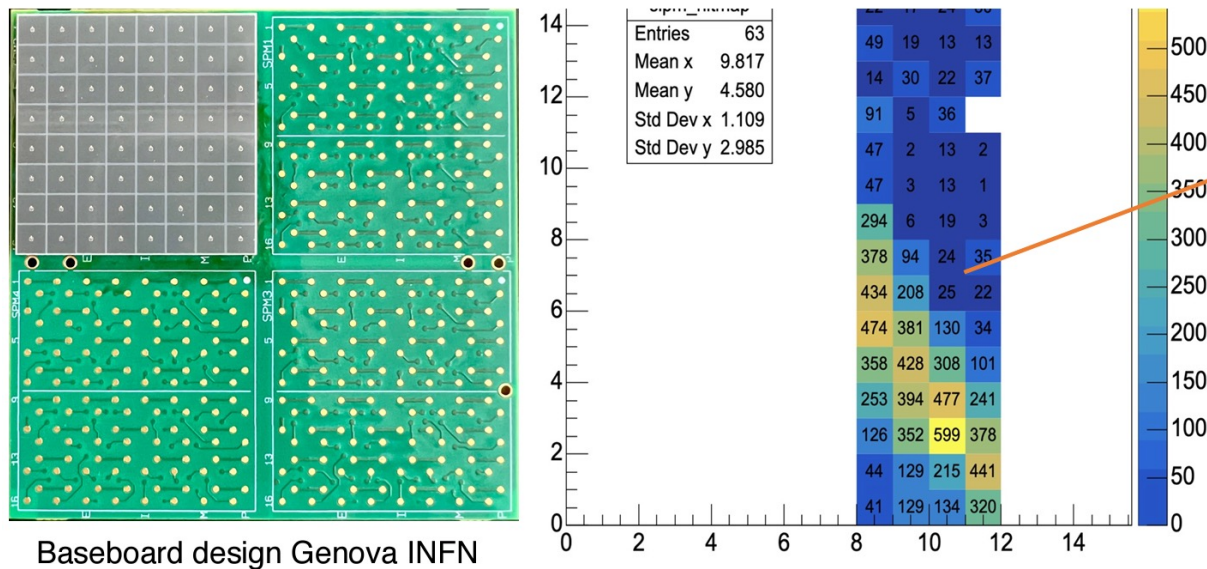
- Time resolution: TDC with  $\sim 25$  ps time bins and  $\sim 30$  ps RMS jitter.
- Power consumption:  $\sim 8$  mW per channel (analogue + digital).
- Radiation hardness: ASIC solution for  $\sim 2 \times 10^{13}$   $n_{eq}/cm^2$  and  $\sim 12$  kGy.
- Dynamic range: 30  $\mu A$  to few mA for coupling to MAPMT / SiPM / MCP.
- LHCb compatibility: direct compatibility with IpGBT / VTRX+ chipset.
- Readout rate: 40 MHz (LHC).
- Number of channels: 16.
- Hardware shutter (configurable) to limit timestamp range to  $\sim 1$  ns.
- Constant-fraction discrimination (CFD).
- Zero-suppressed output, with typically  $\sim 12$  bits per hit.



Note: Sketch for illustrative purposes. The numbers and placement of components will be subject to R&D and optimisation.



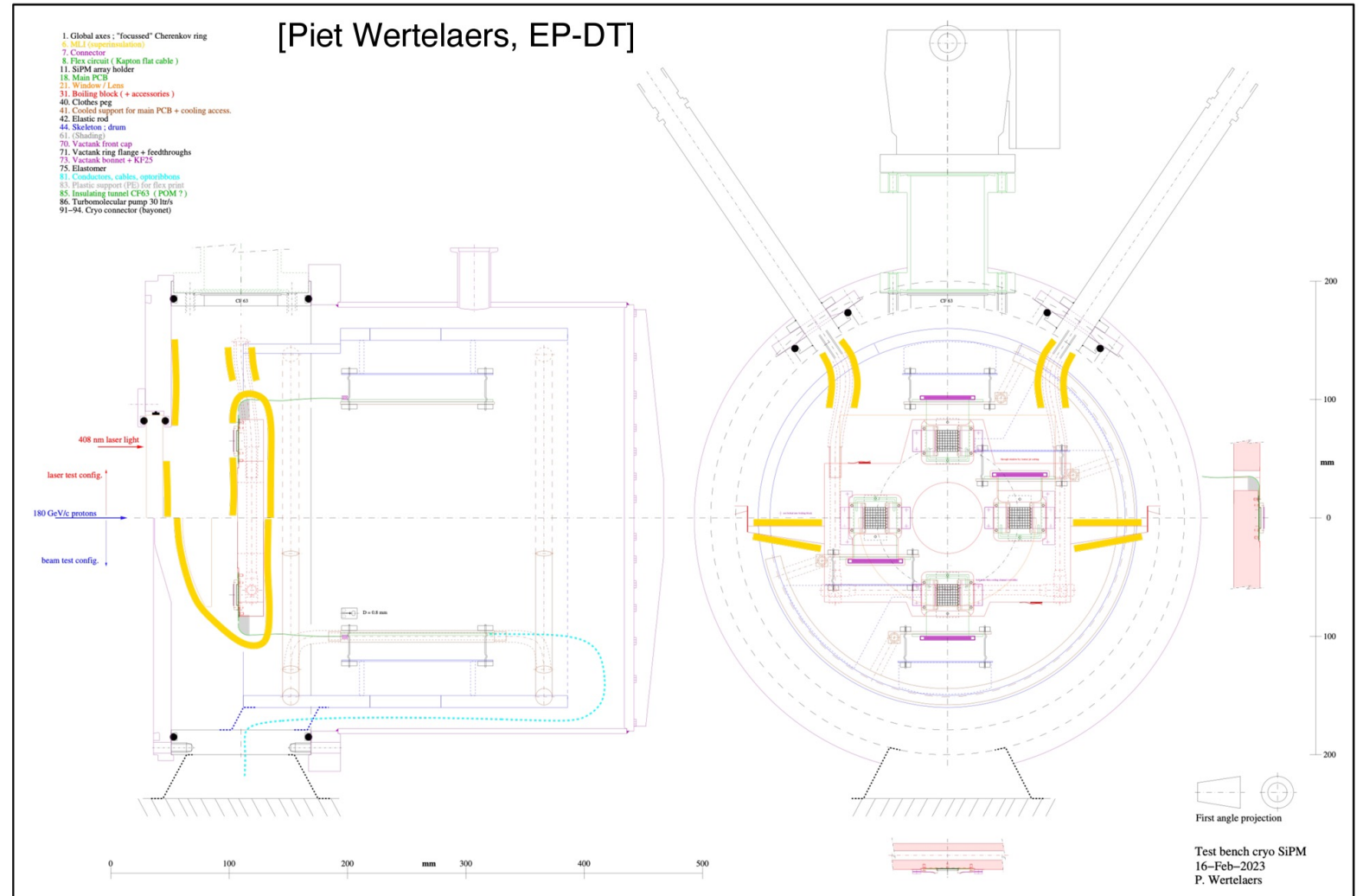
- Studies of SiPM arrays in close-packed arrangement.
- S14161-3050HS-08 - 3.0 mm channel size; 50 $\mu$ m cell pitch.
- Next step: transition towards a demonstrator cryostat for SiPM-based opto-electronic chain studies in the lab and at the SPS beam tests (expected in 2025).





Design and development:

Test bench design for cryogenic cooling of SiPMs and evaluation of the RICH prototypes with SiPM photo sensors



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LHCb RICH Testbeams - F.Keizer

Different mitigation strategies will be needed to enable the operation of SiPMs in single photon regime in highly irradiated environments:

- ❑ Operation at low temperatures
- ❑ Operation at lower bias
- ❑ Use of macro or micro lenses to collect photons from larger area
- ❑ Annealing (by forward biasing?)
- ❑ Gating in the electronics to limit the acquisition to a narrow time window
  
- ❑ Temperature of operation impacts the mechanical and opto-electronical design
- ❑ New samples will be produced to better understand different performance parameters