



# GEM R&D for CBM@FAIR

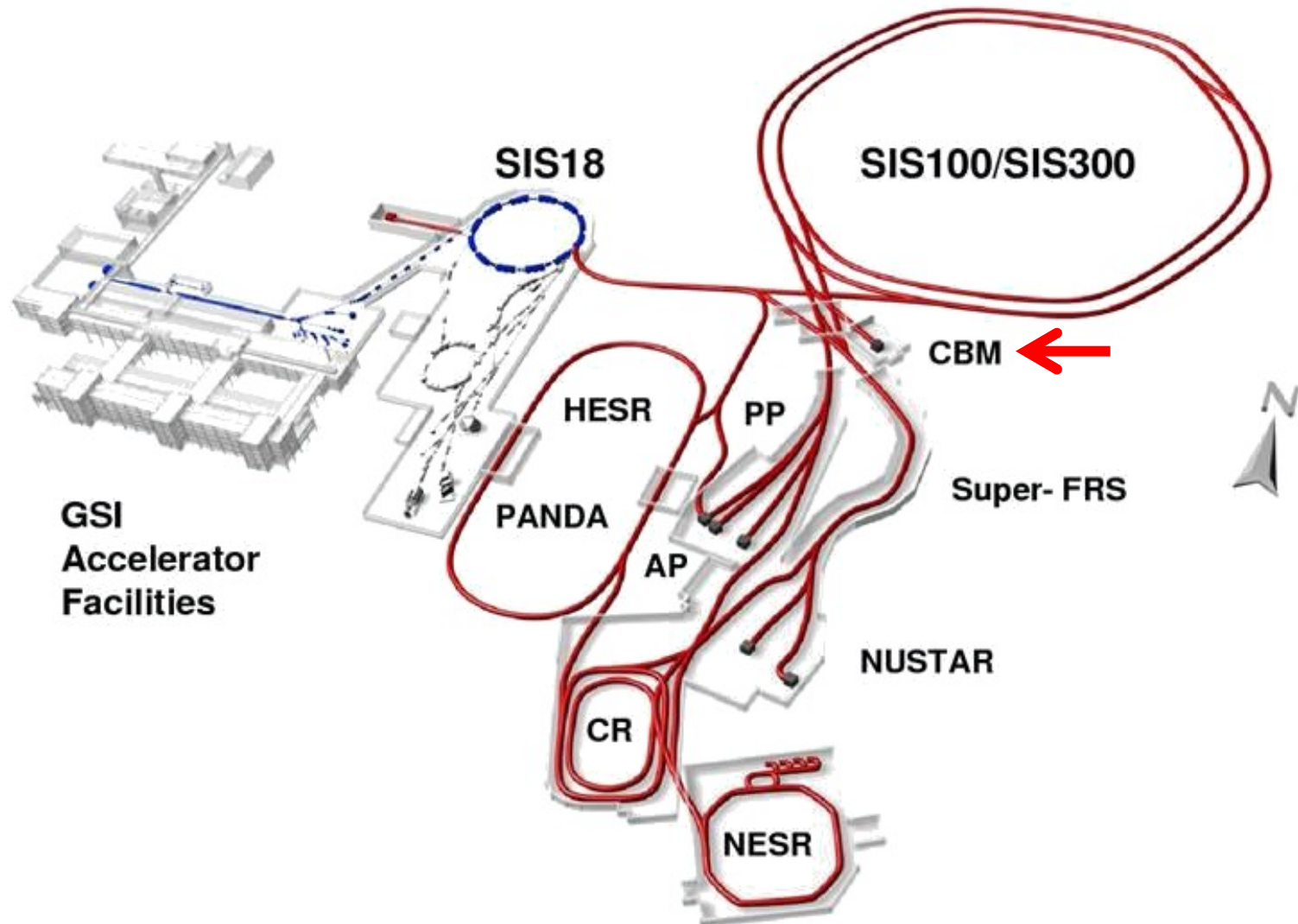


# Outline

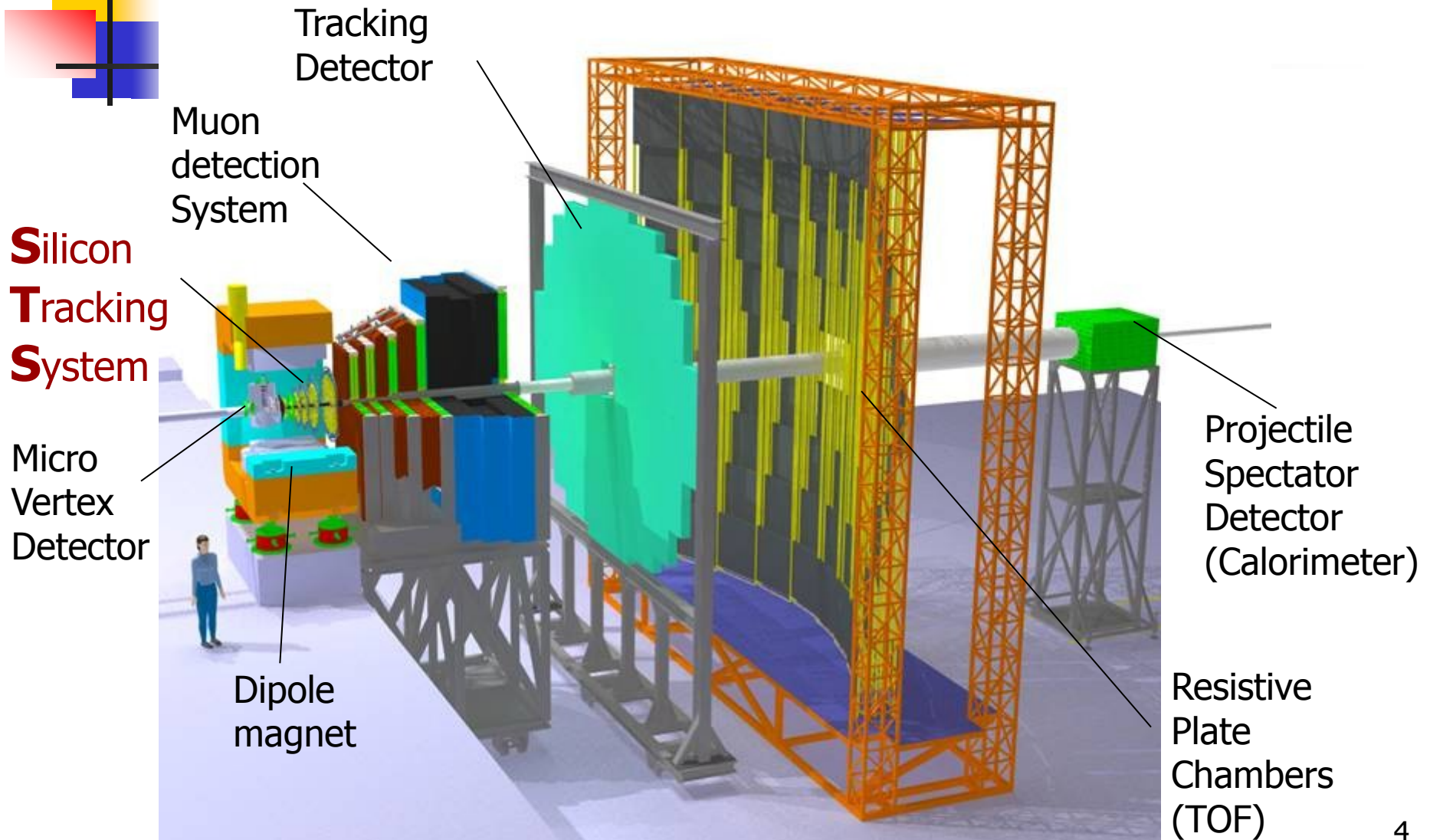
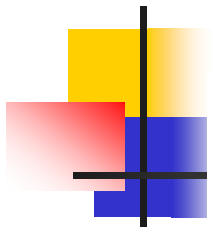
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  - GEM-based Layout
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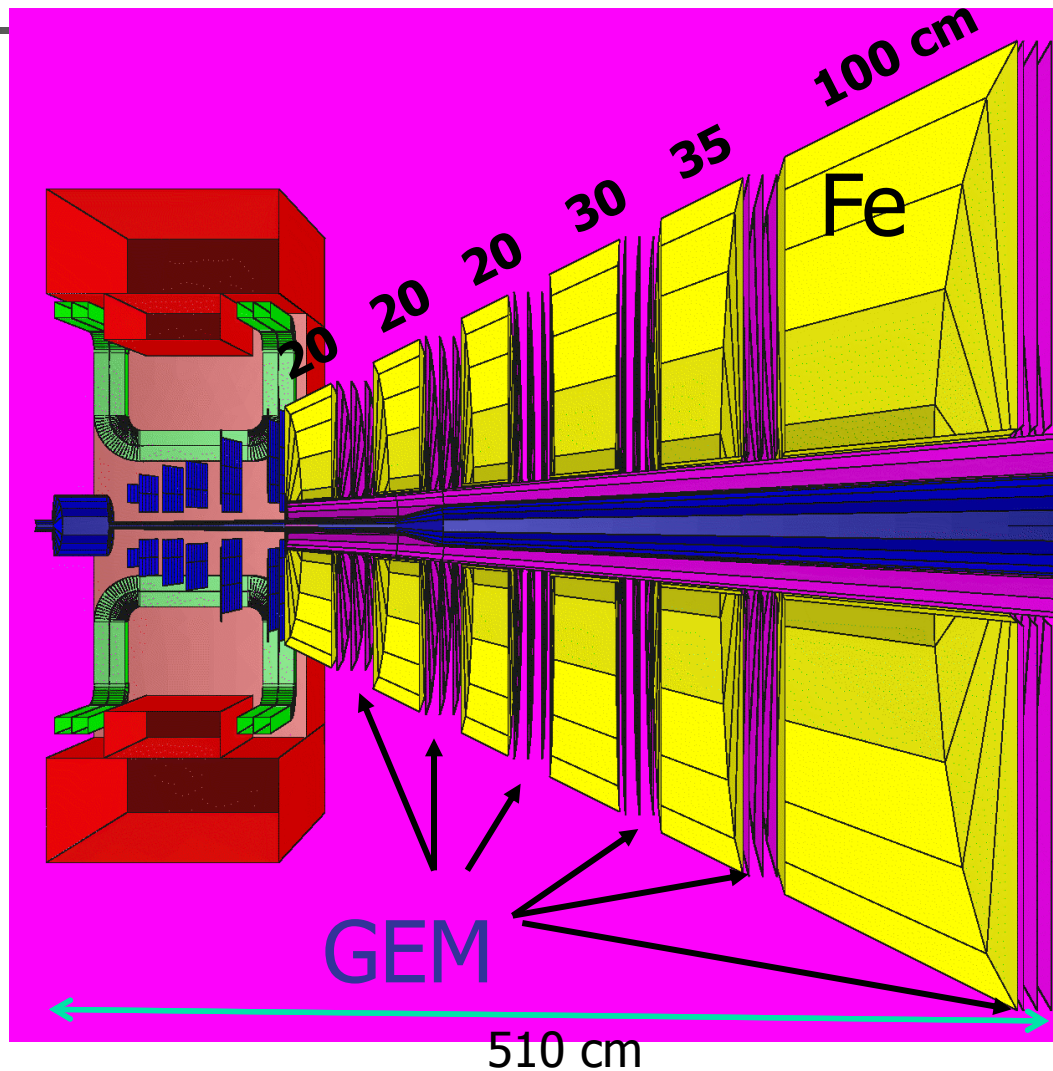
# New FAIR Accelerator Center



# The CBM Experiment

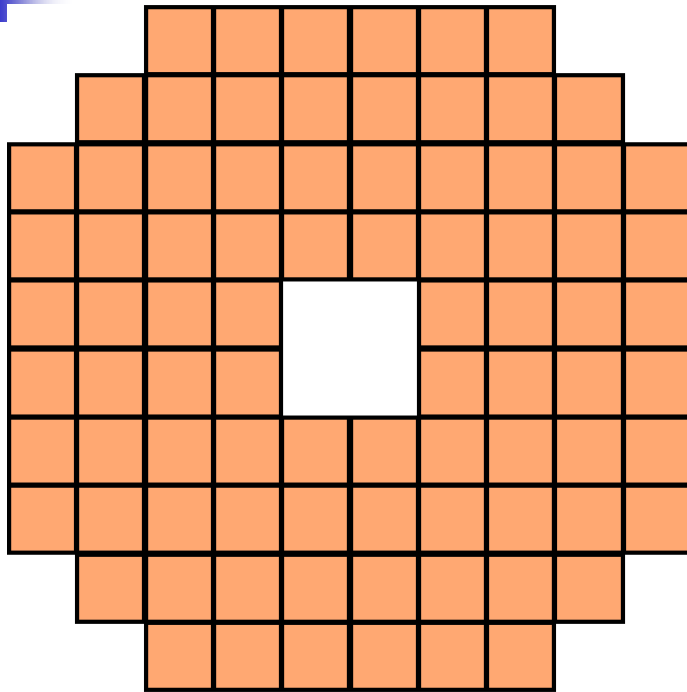


# Muon Detection System: MUCH



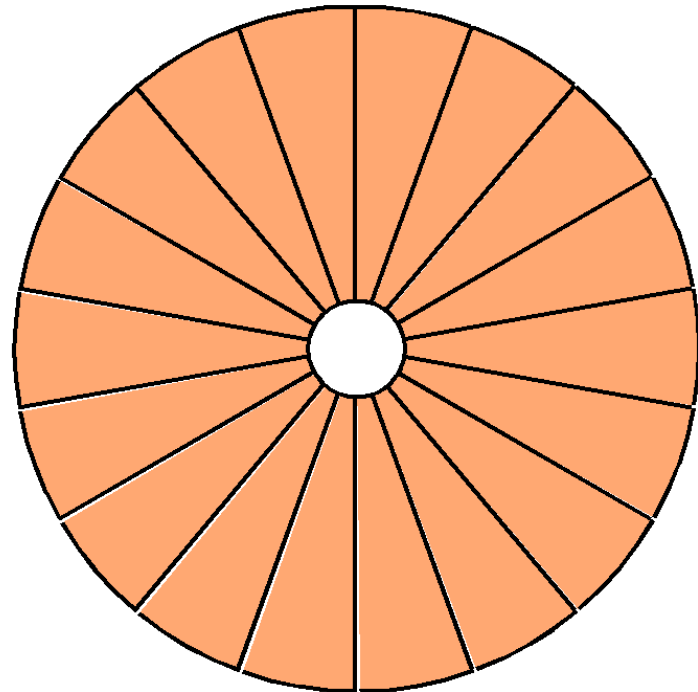
# New Tracking Station Layout

1450 - 4750 mm



- old layout

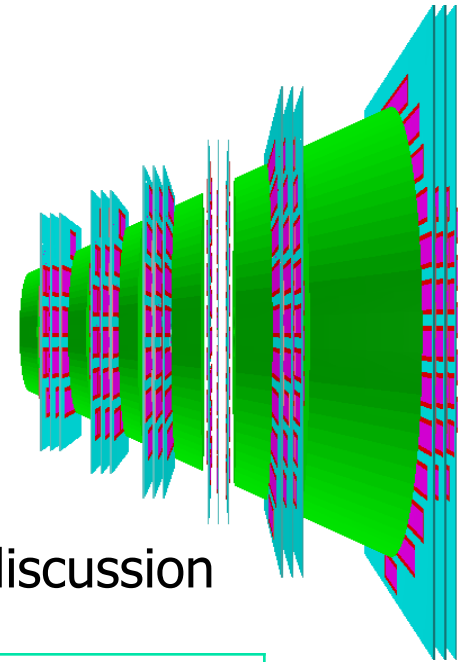
- based on 30 x 30 cm<sup>2</sup> double mask GEMs



- new layout

- based on large area single mask GEMs
- CBM baseline option

# Much GEM Area

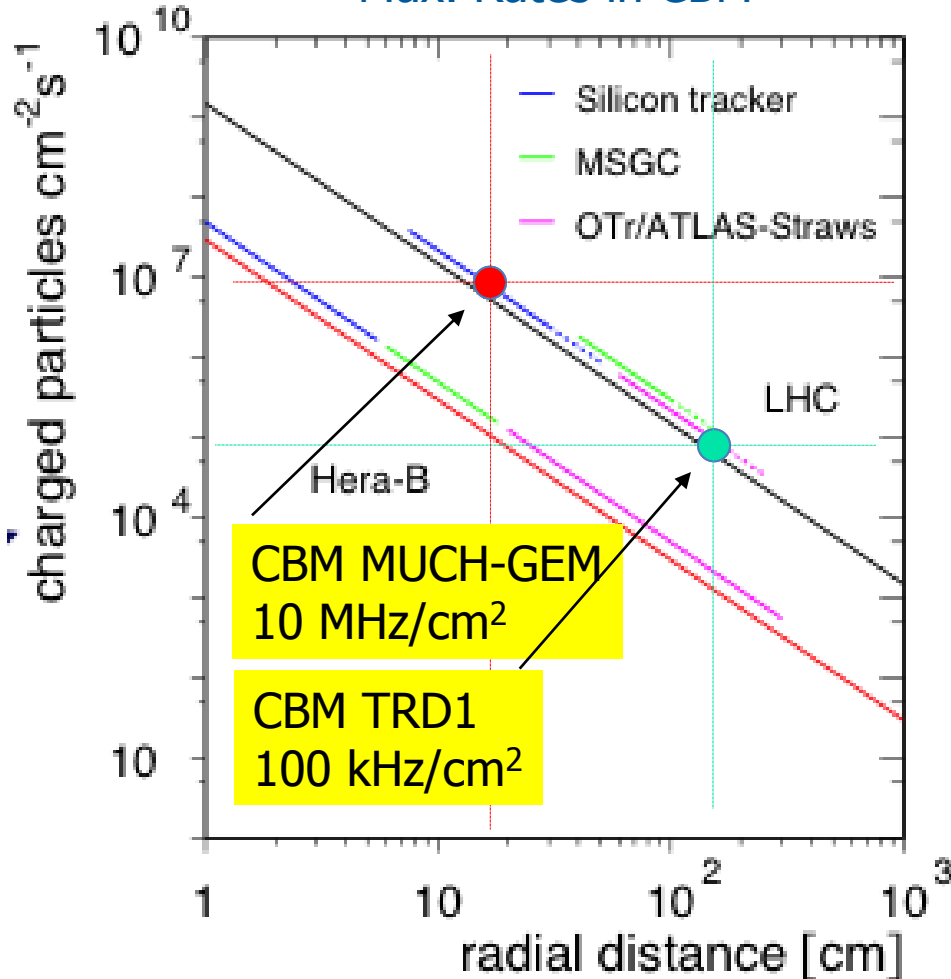


- standard layout:
  - 6 (5) stations each 3 layers of triple GEMs
  - stations using MicroMegas or Straws under discussion

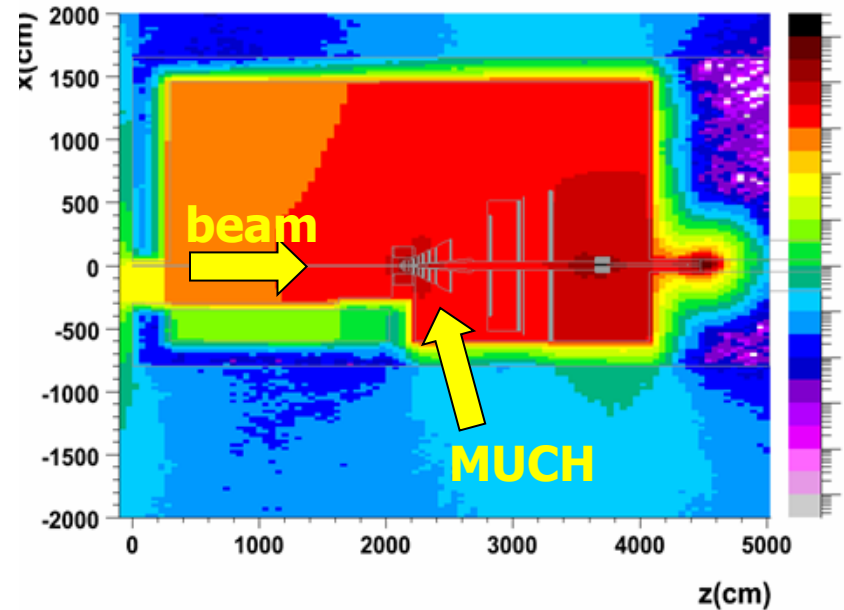
station	distance to target [cm]	Diameter [cm]	GEM area [m <sup>2</sup> ] (3 triple GEMs)
1	155	145	4.6
2	205	190	8.1
3	255	240	12.5
4	315	300	19.1
5	380	355	28.1
6	510	475	50.3
all			73/123

# Particle Rates Dose @ LHC DESY FAIR

Max. Rates in CBM



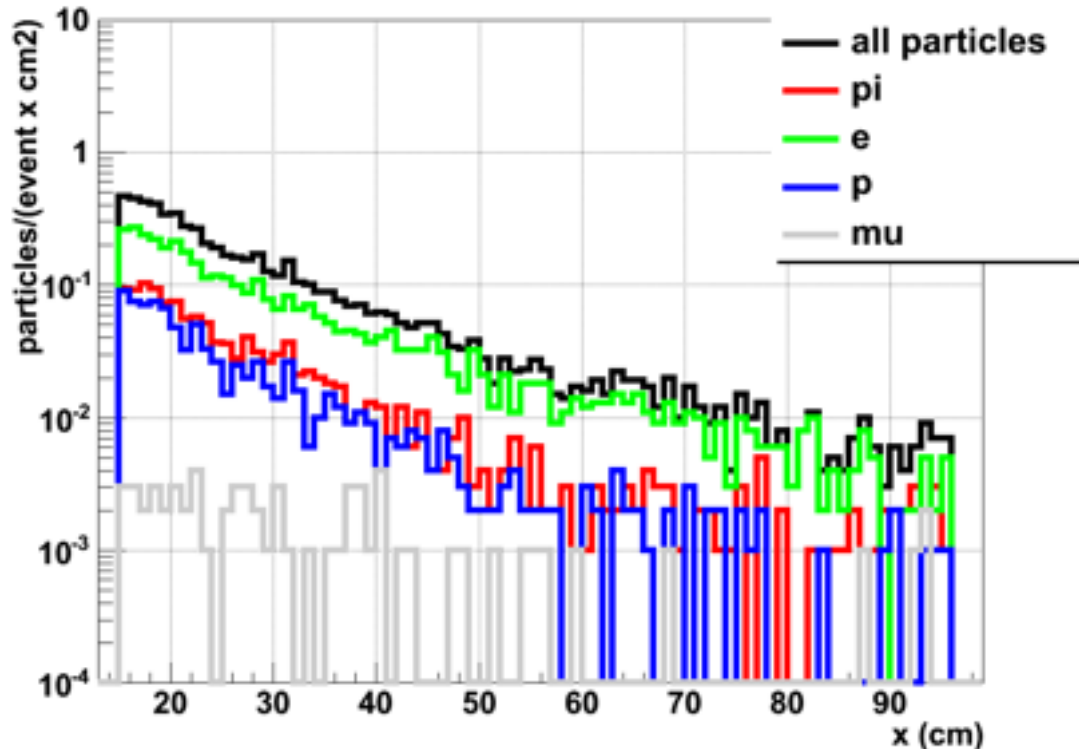
Neutron fluence in CBM cave  
(FLUKA –simulation)



Typical operation scenario:  
6 years  $\Rightarrow 10^{13} - 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$   
 $\Rightarrow$  radiation hardness regime of LHC  
experiments



# Particle Composition in MUCH



- Radial density profile of secondary particles at the first detector plane (after 20 cm Fe) of the CBM Muon Detector for central Au+Au collisions at 25 AGeV.
- The maximum particle density is 0.5 particles/cm<sup>2</sup>/event (event rate  $10^7$ )

# Discharge Probabilities for Slow Hadrons

Performance of GEM detectors in high intensity particle beams

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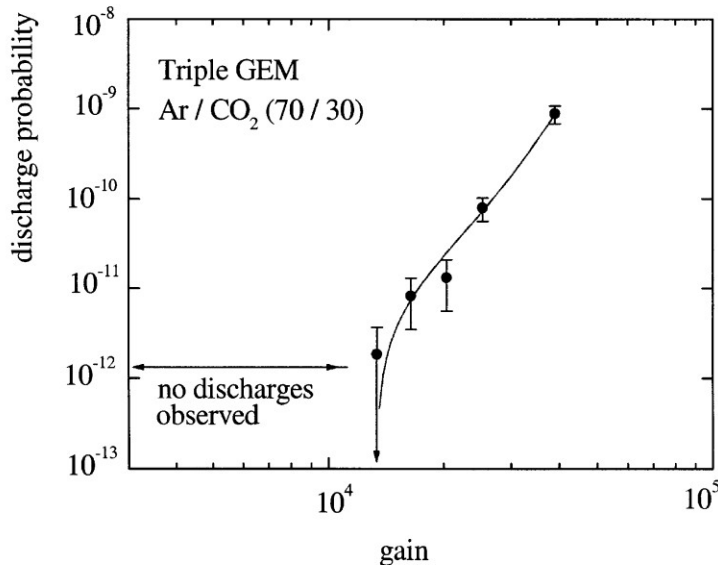
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- beam rate:  $10^7$ - $10^8$  n/s (215/325) MeV
- (8 kHz/mm<sup>2</sup>)
- spark rate independent of particle flux
- significantly increased spark rate for admixture of 63 MeV protons (6 x MIP)

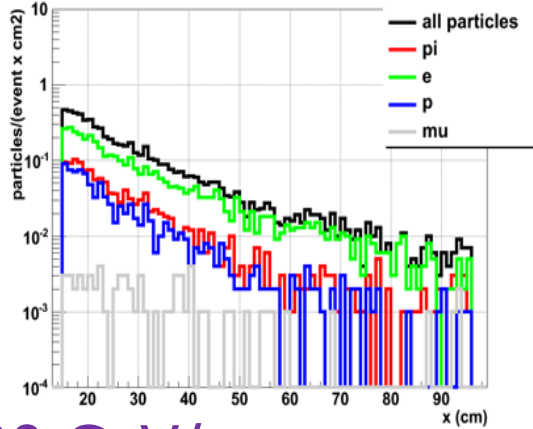
Fig. 22. Discharge probability per incident particle for the Triple GEM measured at the PSI  $\pi$ M1 beam.

# R&D Tasks

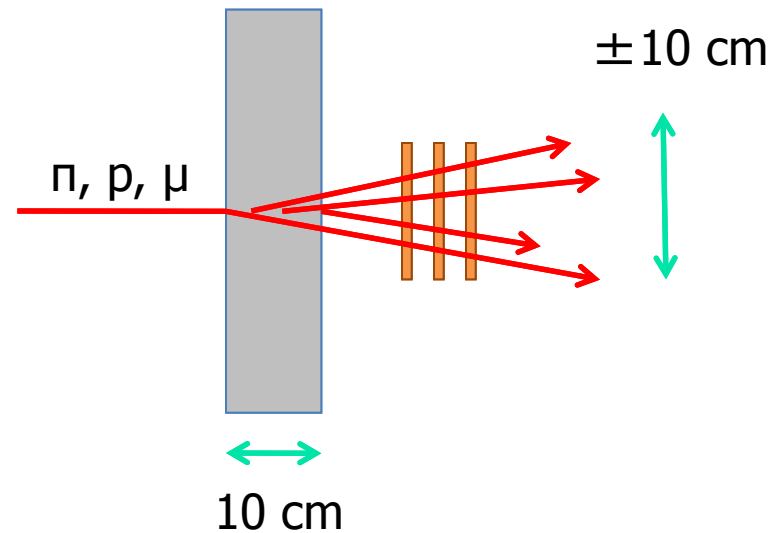
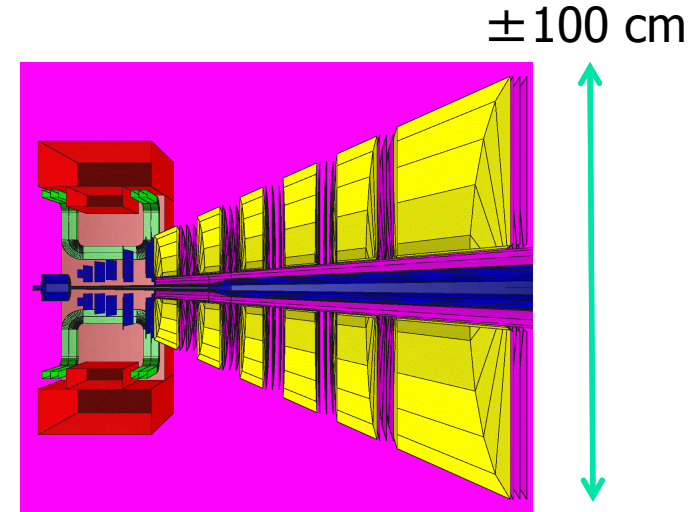
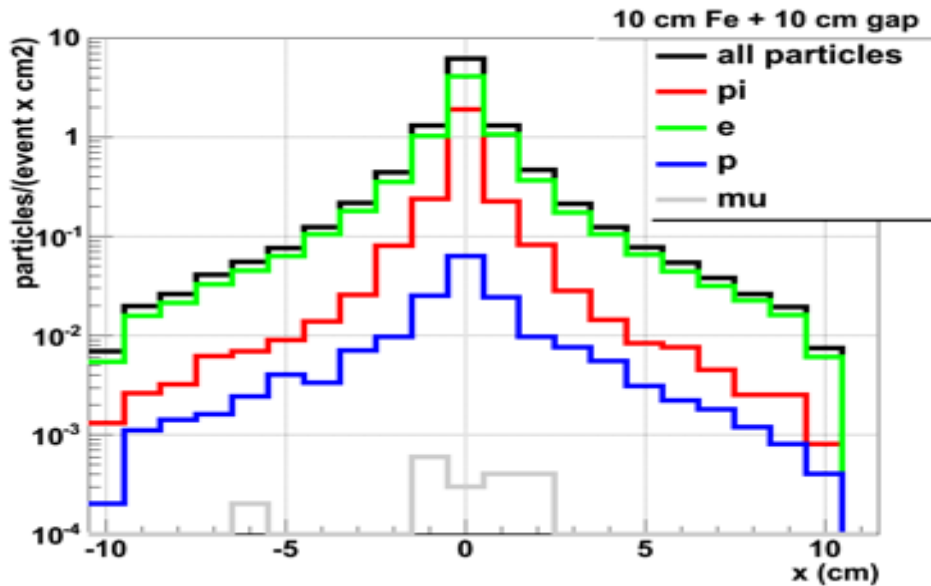
- measure discharge probability for CBM conditions
    - SPS conditions (max rate)
    - slow, heavily ionizing particles after first absorbers
  - tracking efficiency for muons with and w/o hadronic environment
  - efficiency (with VFAT digital chip)
  - cluster size & resolution (with VFAT digital chip)
- beam tests  
Scheduled  
10-16 Oct  
(CBM Fair)  
@ CERN SPS
- further studies include
    - gain homogeneity
    - longterm stability, ageing
    - rate capability
    - more discharge studies using an  $\alpha$ -source
- lab tests  
@ GSI

# Why SPS beam?

CBM:



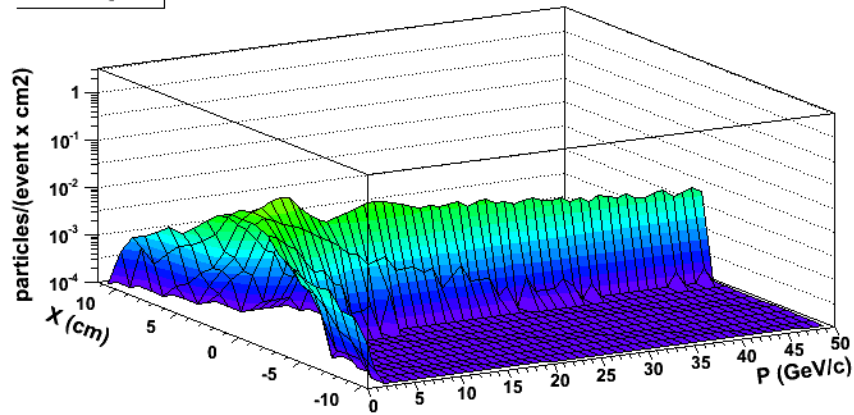
SPS @ 200 GeV/c:



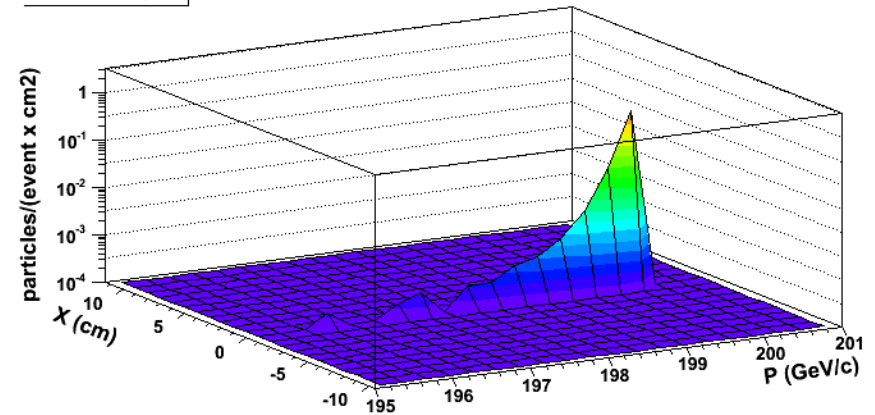
Mini-MUCH (scale 1:10)

# Energy Profiles Test Beam after Converter

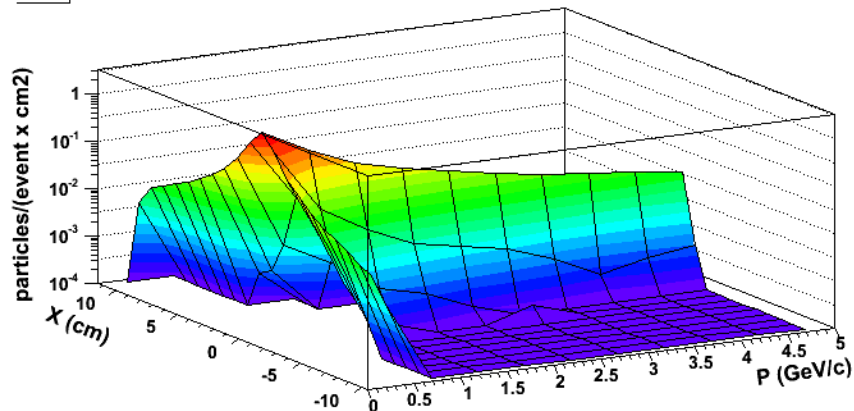
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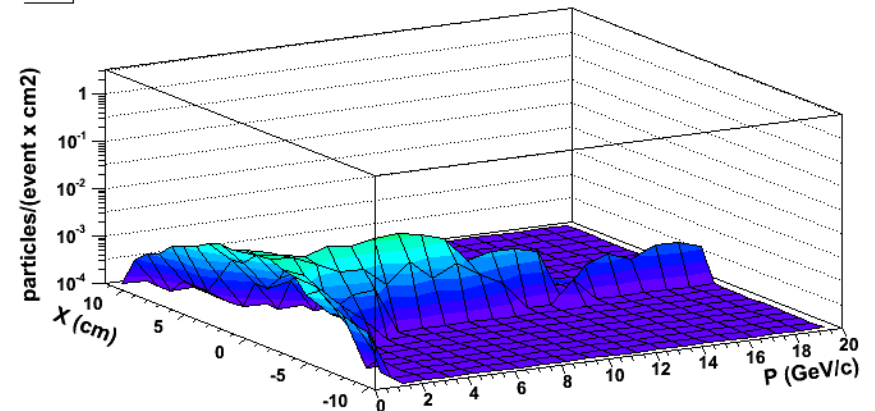
beam pi



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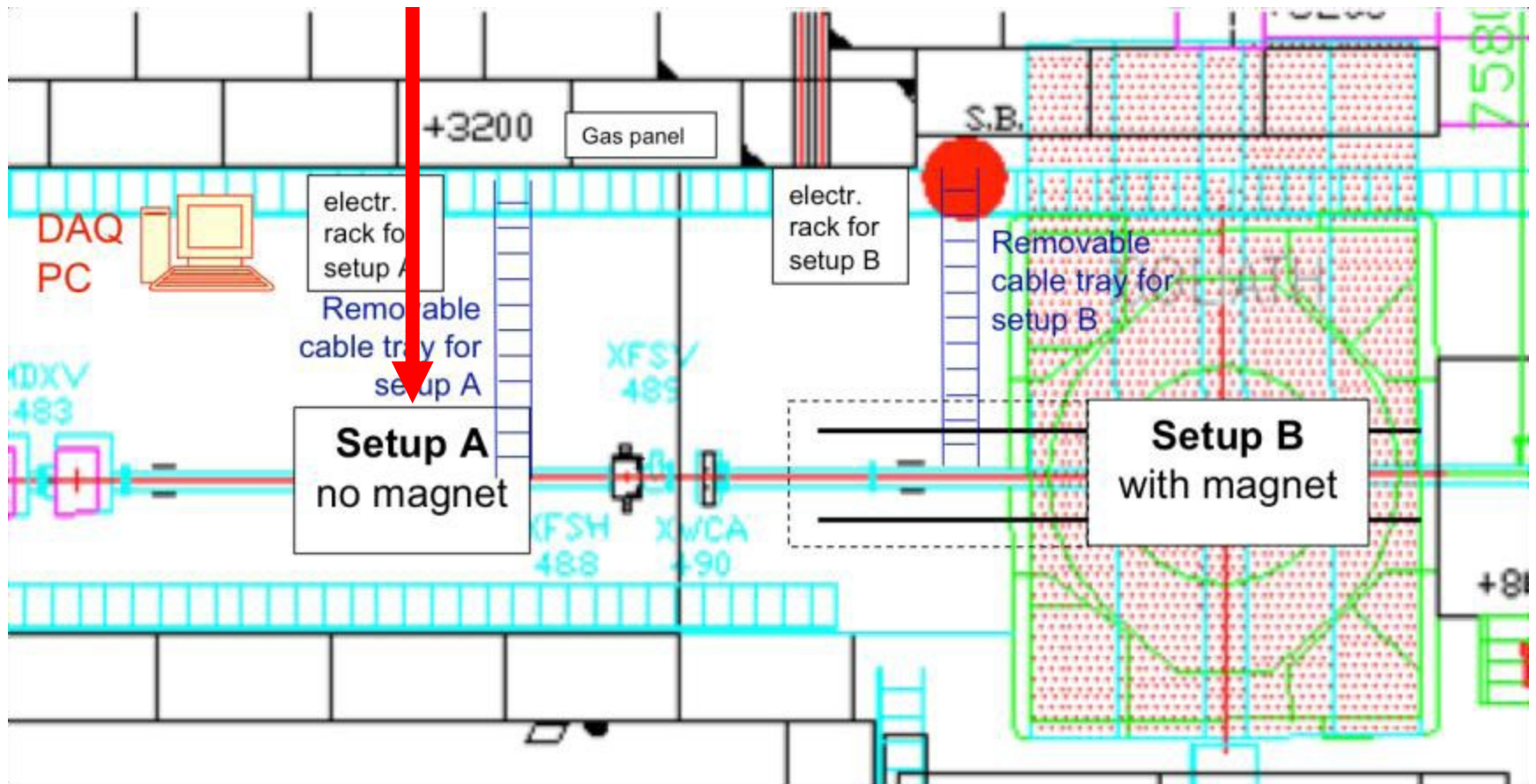


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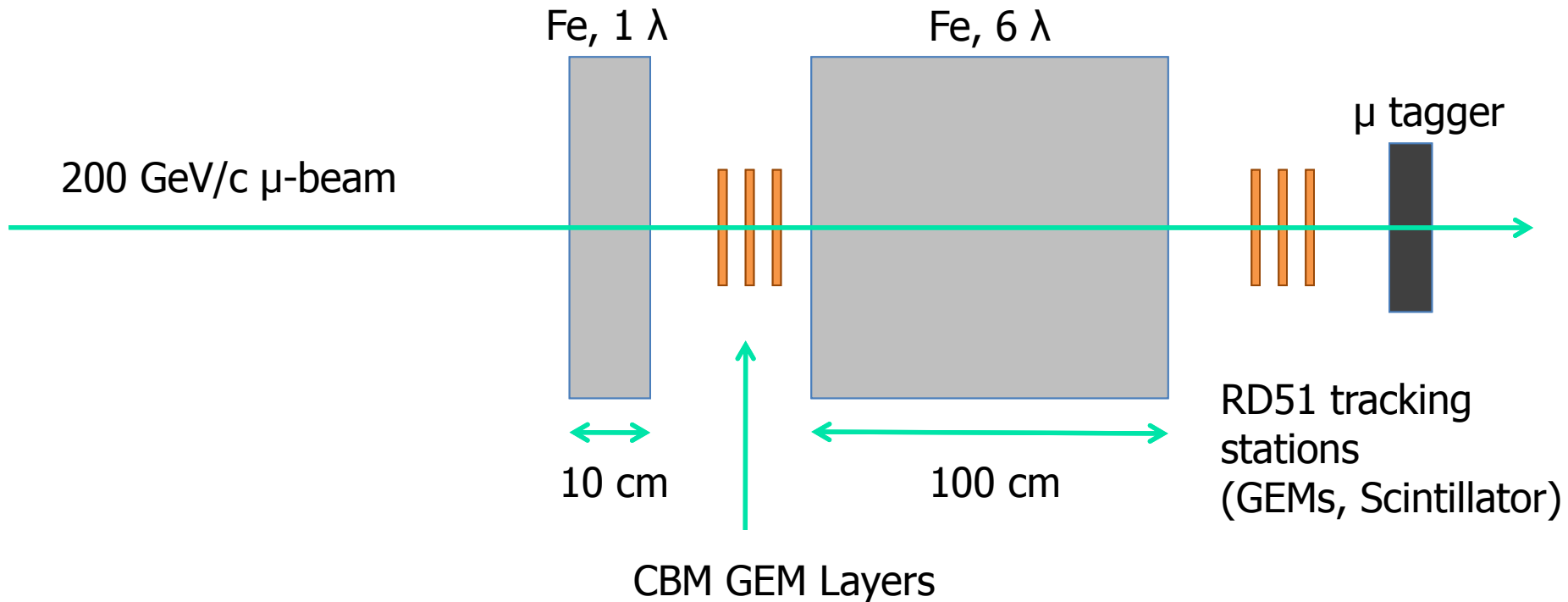
- Showers contains slow protons and pions, which are potentially harmful for GEMs

# H4/RD51 Test Area

## CBM GEM Test

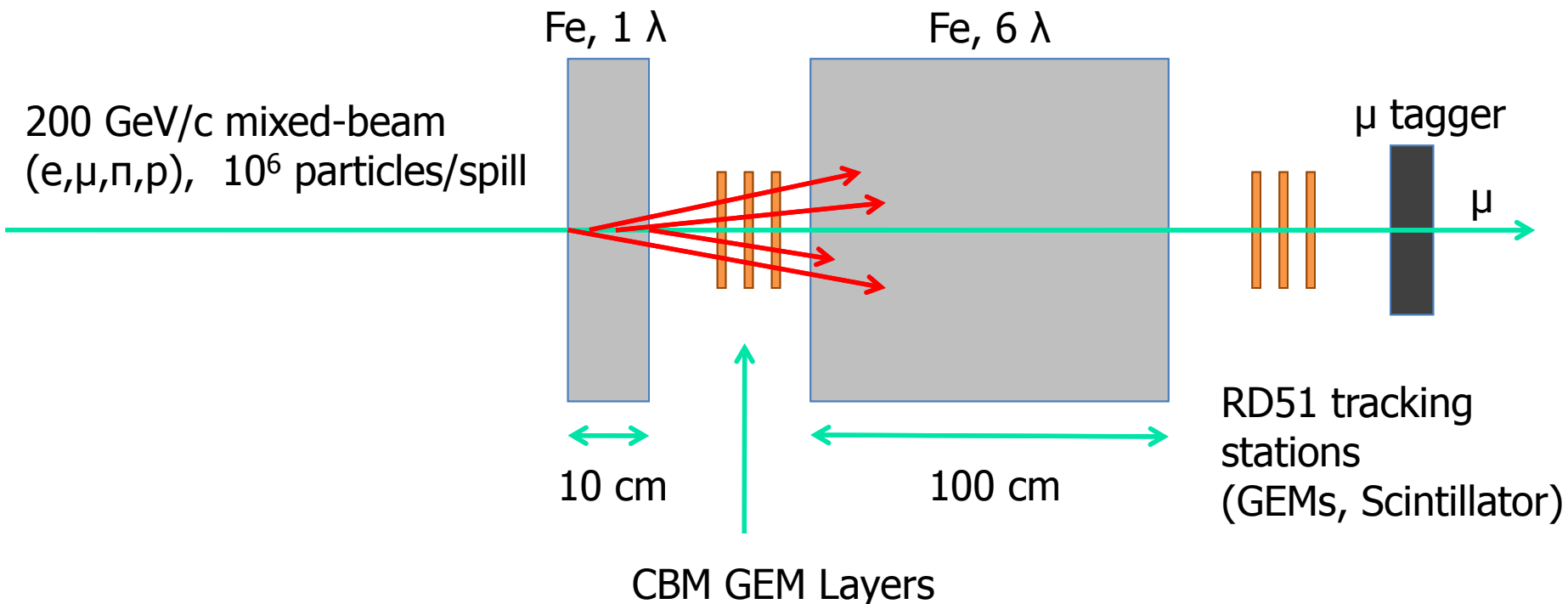


# Proposed Setup for Beam Test@H4 beamline (CERN-SPS) Reference



- measurement of tracking efficiency with “clean”  $\mu$ -beam, at least one CBM GEM layer (3 triple GEMs)

# Proposed Setup for Beam Test@H4 beamline (CERN-SPS) Measurement



- **measurement of spark probability**
- measurement of  $\mu$  tracking efficiency with mixed beam, hadrons shower up in converter (maybe 5-10% chance coincidence of beam  $\mu$  with hadronic shower)





# Beam Test Preparation

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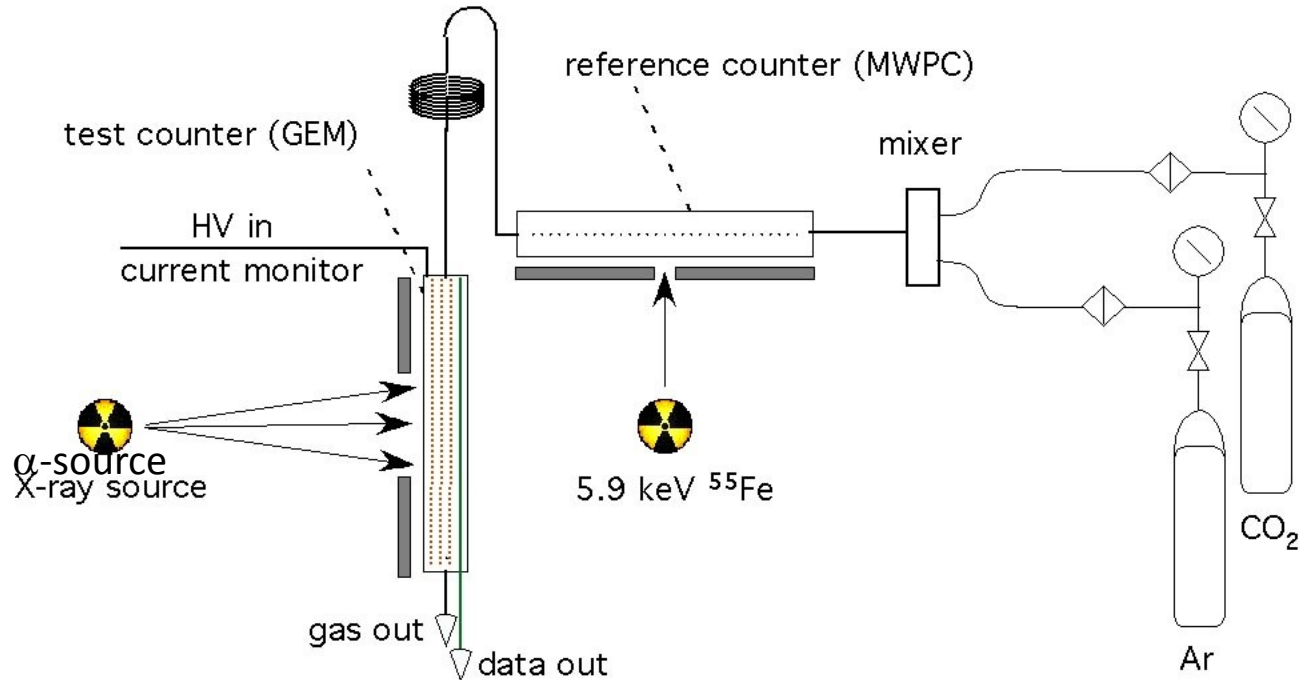
- Area Layout:
  - floor space for iron converter/absorber
  - beam intensity/ radiation check -> additional area shielding?
  - table/mounts for GEMs
  - geometry survey?
- Desired infrastructure from RD51/H4:
  - Gas distribution
  - DAQ (for VFAT/Turbo board)
  - HV

# Rate and Int. Charge: Comparison

	Rate [kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	Gas Gain	No. of Total Electrons	Charge (10 y) [C/cm <sup>2</sup> ]
CMS forward tracker (LHC)	~1	~8000	Ar/CO <sub>2</sub> (70:30) = Nt (3mm gap) = 31.2 Ar/CO <sub>2</sub> /CF <sub>4</sub> (45:15:40) = Nt (3mm gap) = 31.9	0.01
CMS forward tracker (sLHC)	10-50	~5000	same as above	0.5
CBM typical	1-100	1000	30	<0.15
CBM max (first station)	10000	1000	30	15

- integrated charge/cm<sup>2</sup> at FAIR-CBM significantly higher than sLHC -  $\Rightarrow$  ageing behavior investigation under intense hadron radiation

# GSI DetLab Test Setup



- irradiation of (selected) areas of **Single Mask-GEM** with x-rays ( $10 \times \text{kHz}/\text{cm}^2$ ) for several month
- recording of gain (pulseheight, current), gas quality, environmental parameters ( $T, p, \dots$ )



# Summary

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- Positive Reports on RD51/CMS large area single mask GEMs at CBM Much workshop 01/2011 at GSI -> now baseline option for CBM
- GEMs as tracker behind absorbers -> intense hadron (shower-like) environment with slow component
- test setup in with 200 GeV beam in H4 with converter/absorber to simulate typical hadron environment
  - Support from RD51 very MUCH appreciated
- lab setup for stability/ageing measurement (>10 C/10 years integrated charge/cm<sup>2</sup>)



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