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# The EIC Project in a nutshell

- Enable the ultimate QCD exploration
  - By a high-luminosity polarized electron-ion collider: the EIC
  - By a detector highly integrated with the collider and capable to cope with the overall EIC physics scope, ePIC
- Status : approved project progressing towards its realization at BNL
- Key ingredients : the ample community supporting the EIC and the long dedicated effort path









ePIC





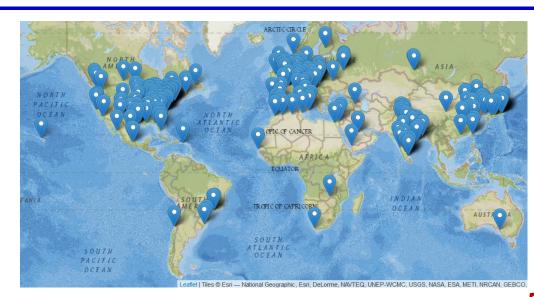
## THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY: the EIC-User Group

#### The EIC User Group: https://eicug.github.io/

#### Formed in 2016 -

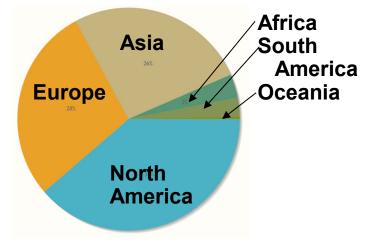
- 1548 members
- 40 countries
- 6 world regions
- 298 institutions

As of October 10, 2024



#### Among the main Achievements: The Yellow Report (2020)

#### Institutions



#### Annual EICUG meeting 2016 UC Berkeley, CA

2016 UC Berkeley, CA 2016 Argonne, IL 2017 Trieste, Italy 2018 CUA, Washington, DC 2019 Paris, France 2020 Miami, FL 2021 VUU, VA & UCR, CA 2022 Stony Brook U, NY 2023 Warsaw, Poland 2024 Lehigh U., PA





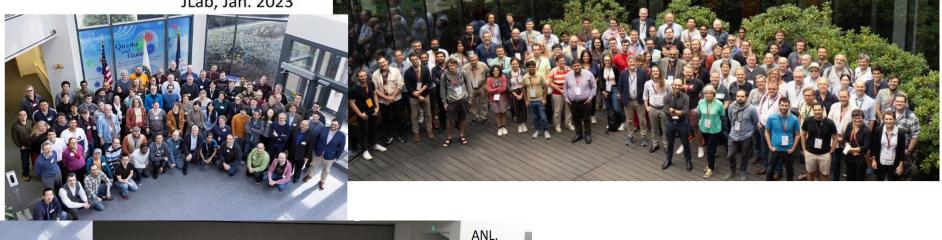


# The ePIC Collaboration

#### The community dedicated to the EIC science mission by the realization of the ePIC detector

Warsaw, July 2023

JLab, Jan. 2023





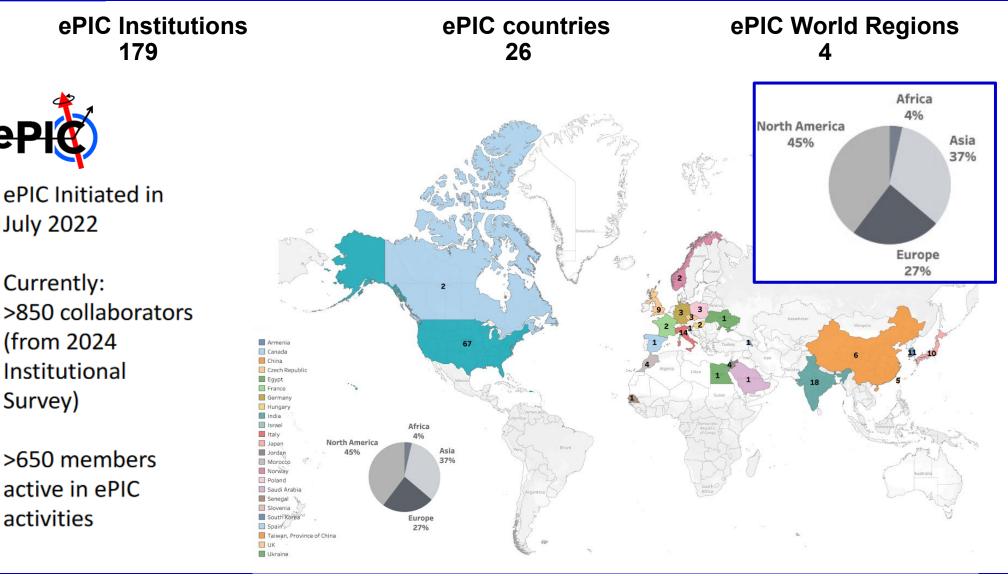
Lehigh, July 2024





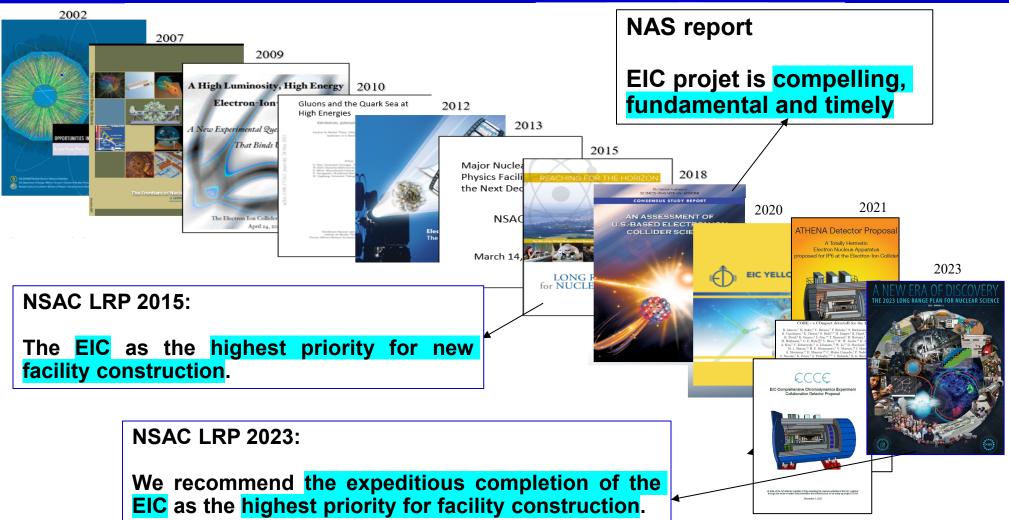


# The ePIC Collaboration





# THE PATH TO THE EIC PROJECT



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In short words:

*Investigate with precision the universal dynamics of gluons to understand the emergence of hadronic and nuclear matter and their properties* 

In terms of major open questions:



How does the **spin** of the nucleon arise?



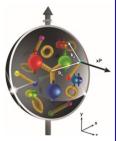
How do quarks and gluons interact with a nuclear medium?

How do the **confined hadronic states** emerge?



How does the **mass** of the nucleon arise?

How do the quark-gluon interactions create **nuclear binding**?



How are the quarks and gluon distributed in space and momentum inside the nucleon and nuclei?



What are the emergent properties of **dense system of gluons**?





## REQUIREMENTS

- Access to gluon dominated region and wide kinematic range in x and Q<sup>2</sup>
- Access to spin structure and 3D spatial and momentum structure
- Accessing the highest gluon densities  $(Q_s^A)^2 \sim cQ_o^2 \left(\frac{A}{x}\right)^{1/3}$
- Studying observables as a function of x, Q<sup>2</sup>, A, hadronic flavour, ...

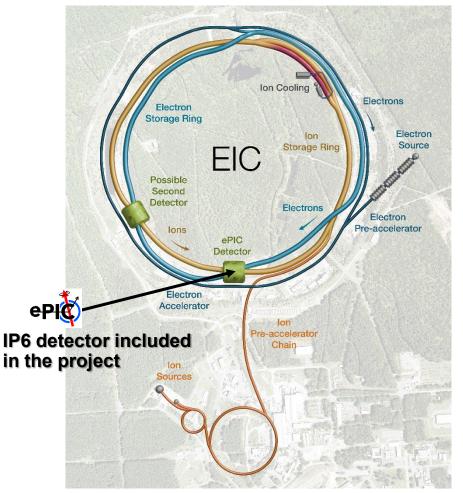
## THE EIC COLLIDER PROVIDES

- Large center-of-mass energy range: √s = 21 -140 GeV
- Polarized electron, proton and light nuclear beams ≥ 70%
- Nuclear beams, the heavier the better (from H to U)
- High luminosity (100 x HERA): 10<sup>33-34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

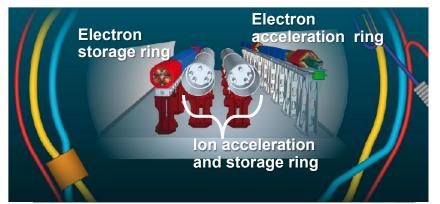




# The EIC Collider



#### Usage of RHIC tunnel and RHIC p/ion complex



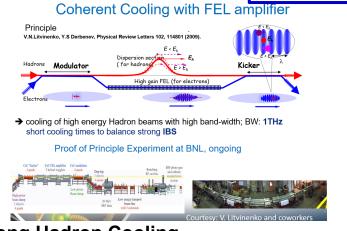
- spanning a wide kinematical range
  - ECM: 20 141 GeV
- High luminosity
  - up to 10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>
- highly polarized e (~ 70%) beams
- highly polarized light A (~70%) beams
- wide variety of ions: from H to U
- Number of interaction regions: up to 2





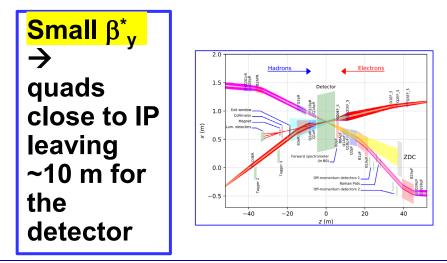
# The EIC Collider

#### **4 critical ingredients for HIGH LUMINOSITY**



#### **Strong Hadron Cooling**

- Work continues on Strong Hadron Cooling, both the Coherent electron Cooling (CeC) approach and a backup solution based on a ring cooler
- Both approaches were reviewed in summer, no show stoppers found in either one

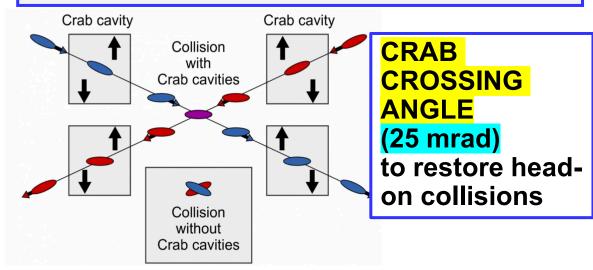


#### Bunches and beam crossing rates

Species	р	е	p	е	p	е	р	е	р	е	
Beam energy [GeV]	275	18	275	10	100	10	100	5	41	5	
$\sqrt{s}$ [GeV]	140	).7	10	4.9	63	.2	44	.7	28	.6	
No. of bunches	29	290		1160	11	1160		1160		1160	
Species	Au	е	Au	е	Au	е	Au	е			
Beam energy [GeV]	110	18	110	10	110	5	41	5			
$\sqrt{s}$ [GeV]	89	.0	66	.3	46	.9	28	.6			
No. of bunches	29	0	11	60	110	60	116	50			

#### Up to a beam crossing rate at the IR every 10ns

a challenge for the collider and the experiment !







# The EIC Collider

#### **MORE unique aspects**

#### **BEAM POLARIZATION**

#### **ABOUT e POLARIZATION**

#### **ION SPECIES**

The existing RHIC <u>ion sources &</u> <u>ion acceleration chain</u> provides already **today** all ions needed at EIC

		in the DUI	
		Zr-Zr, Ru-Ru Au-Au	<u>C Complex</u> (2018) (2016)
	Enormous	d-Au	(2016)
	versatility!	p-Al h-Au	(2015) (2015)
	is a unique capability!	p-Au	(2015)
		Cu-Au U-U	(2012) (2012)
		Cu-Cu	(2012)
		D-Au	(2008)
		Cu-Cu	(2005)

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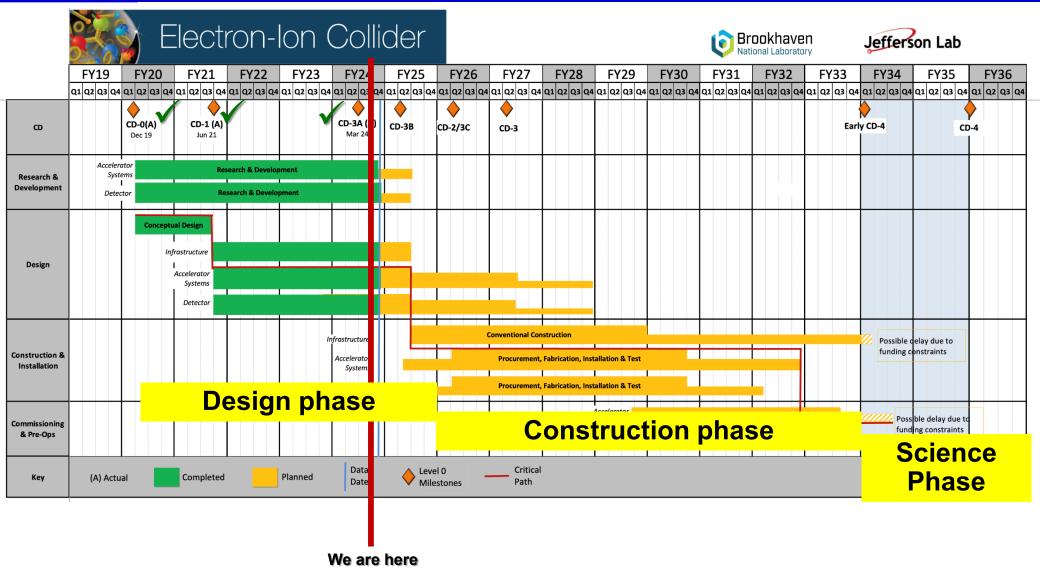
on average, every bunch refilled in 2.2 min

## **ABOUT p/ light ion POLARIZATION**

presentlyMeasured RHIC Results:• Proton Source Polarization 83 %• Polarization at extraction from AGS 70%• Polarization at RHIC collision energy 60%					
empowerment Planned near term improvements:					
AGS: Stronger snake, skew quadrupoles,					
increased injection energy					
ightarrow expect 80% at extraction of AGS					
<b>RHIC:</b> Add 2 snakes to 4 existing no polarization loss					
expect 80% in Polarization in RHIC and eRHIC					
High polarization <sup>3</sup> He and D beams also possible					



# The EIC schedule







# The ePIC context: the physics scope and the EIC project The ePIC detector

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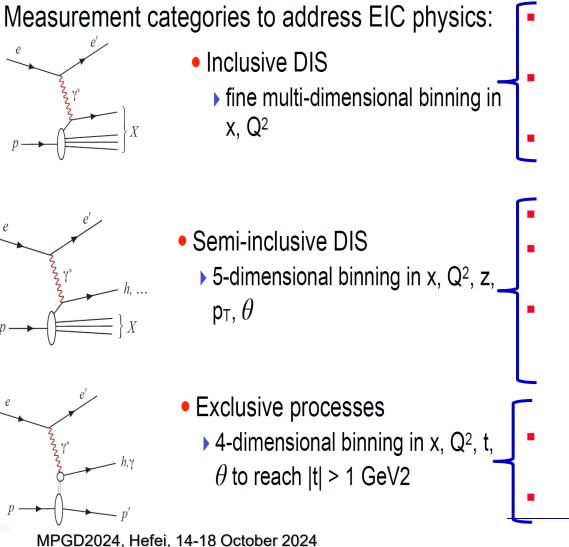




# **Ultimate QCD exploration**

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## REQUIREMENTS



## ePIC detector

- Large coverage (-3.5 <  $\eta$  < 3.5) for wide phase-space reach
- Excellent EM-calorimetry with PID support for  $e/\pi$  separation
- Fine resolution tracking by low mass detectors

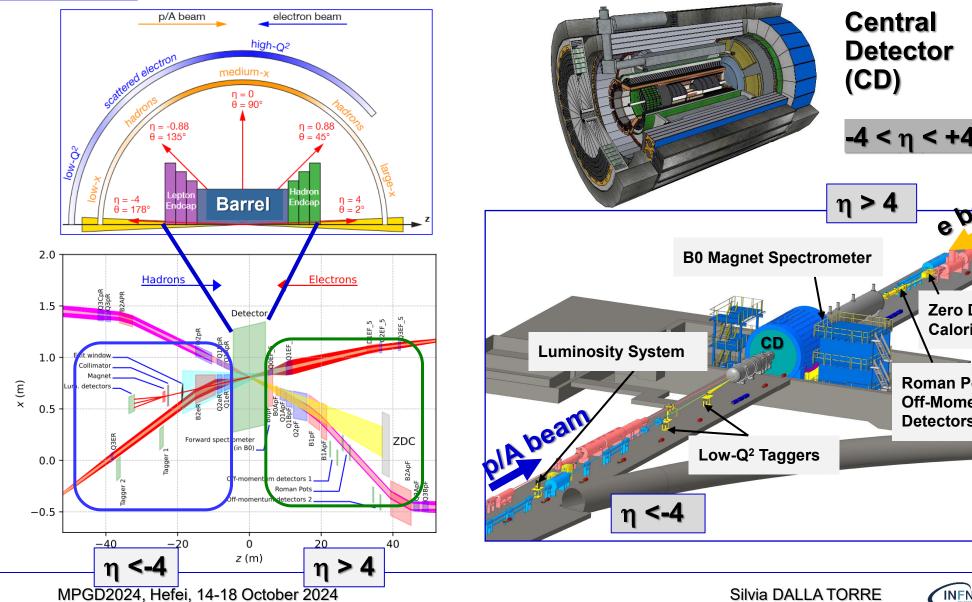
## Fine $p_T$ resolution

- Extended PID systems for hadron identification
- H-calorimetry to attempt TMD assessment with jets (new world-wide), as tail chatter, for  $\mu$  identification
- Extend acceptance at extremely small scattering angles
- Fine vertex resolution by tracking





# THE COMPLETE ePIC DETECTOR



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e beam

**Zero Degree** 

Calorimeter

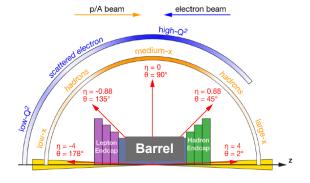
**Roman Pots and Off-Momentum** 

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**Detectors** 



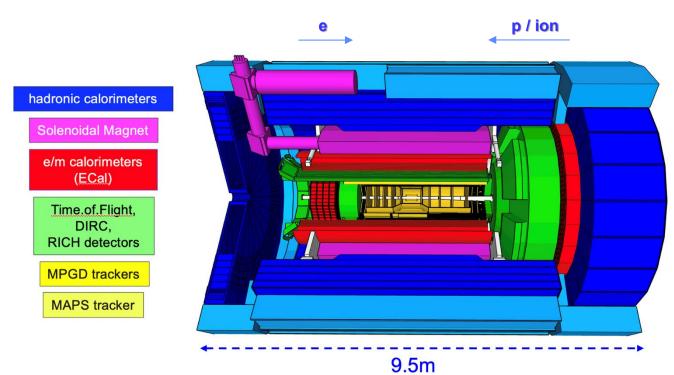
# ePIC Central Detector (CD)



Very naturally organized in:

- Backward endcap
- Barrel
- Forward endcap

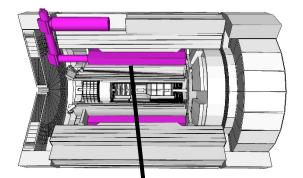
subsystems

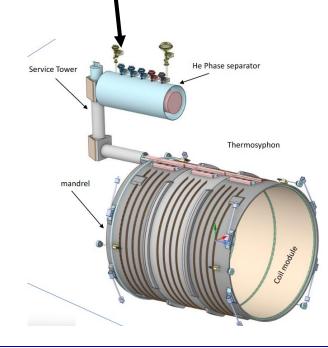






# The ePIC solenoid

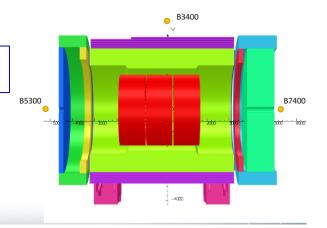




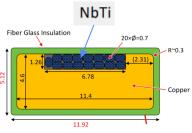
Parameter	Value		
Coil length	3512 mm		
Warm bore diameter	2840 mm		
Cryostat length	< 3850 mm		
Cryostat outer diameter	< 3540 mm		

Parameter	Value		Comment		
Central Field B <sub>0</sub>	2.0 T	2.0 T Reference five value: 1.7 T		] ield	
Lowest operating field	0.5 T				
Field Uniformity in FFA	12.5 % ± 100 cm around center 80 cm radius < 0.1 (mrad@30GeV/c) < 10 T/A/mm <sup>2</sup> From Z = 180 cm to 280 cm		Magnetic Field		
Projectivity in RICH Area			Properties		

Parameter	Value	Comment
B5300 (B @ Z= -5300 mm)	< 10 G	Stray field
B7400 (B @ Z= 7400 mm)	< 10 G	requirement is based on IR
B3400 (B @ R= 3400 mm)	< 10 G	magnet location



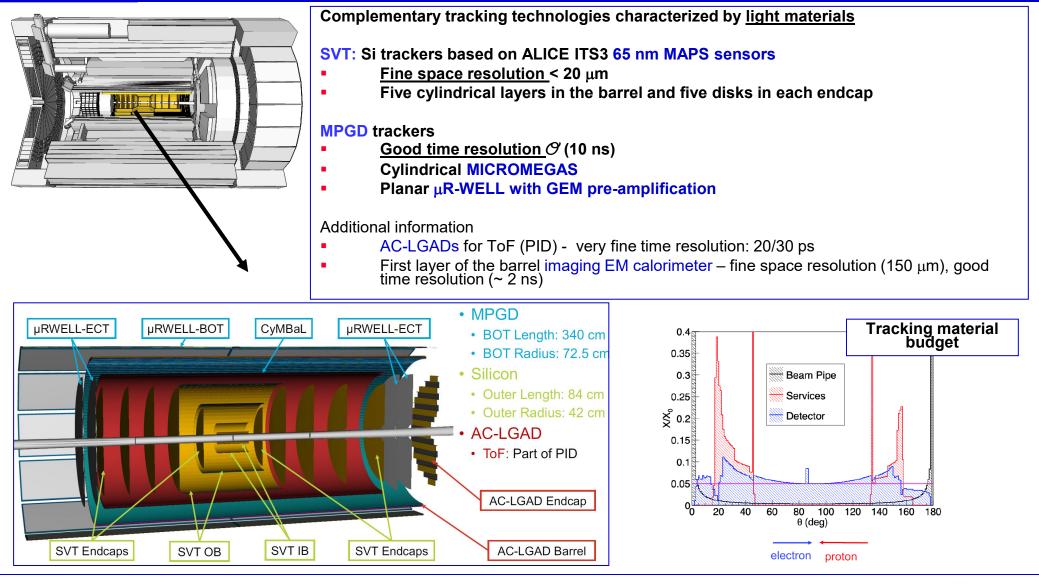








# TRACKING IN ePIC CD



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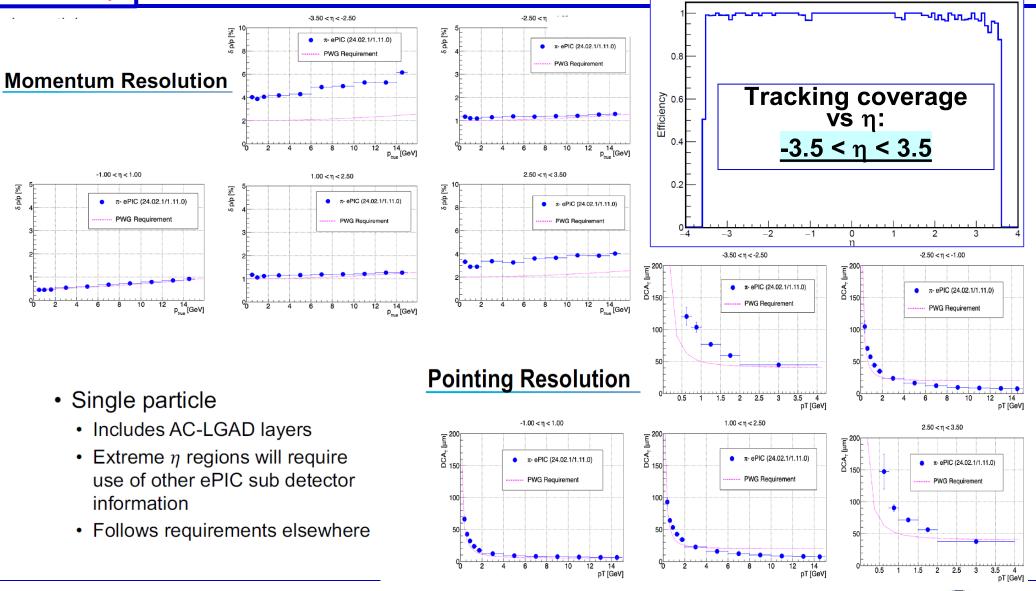
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# TRACKING IN ePIC CD

Tracker Efficiency vs. generated particle n



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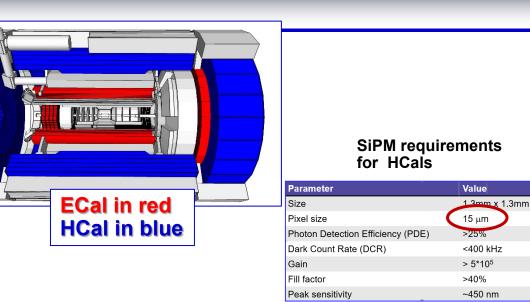
# SENSORS FOR CALORIMETRY IN ePIC

#### SiPM sensors for all Calorimeters in ePIC

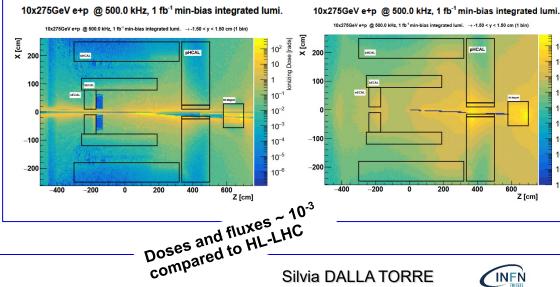
- SiPMs recently introduced in calorimetry
- direct experience is coming from the applications in GlueX, STAR and sPHENIX
- these colleagues now at work for ePIC calorimetry

#### **Relevant SiPM features for ePIC calorimetry**

- Cost-effective technology
- Operation in magnetic field
- Wide dynamic range with tuned parameters for the different calorimeters
- Low **noise** with appropriate thresholding
- Effect of the radiation
  - Not new, already addressed for STAR and sPHENIX
  - Further irradiation campaigns on-• qoing



## Rad Dose and Neutron Flux



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Z [cm]

10<sup>9</sup>

10<sup>8</sup>

 $10^{7}$ 

 $10^{6}$ 

10<sup>5</sup>

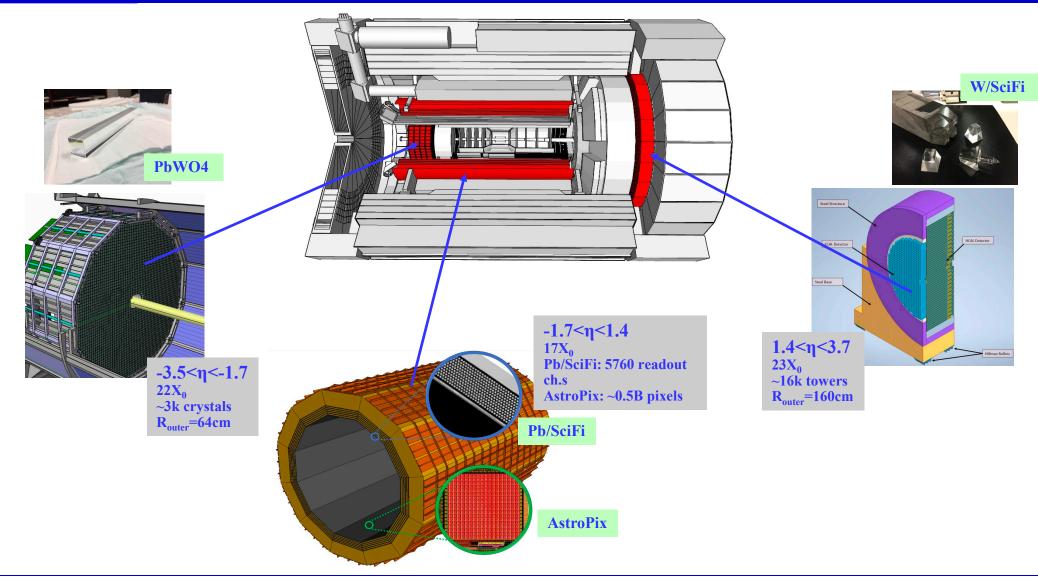
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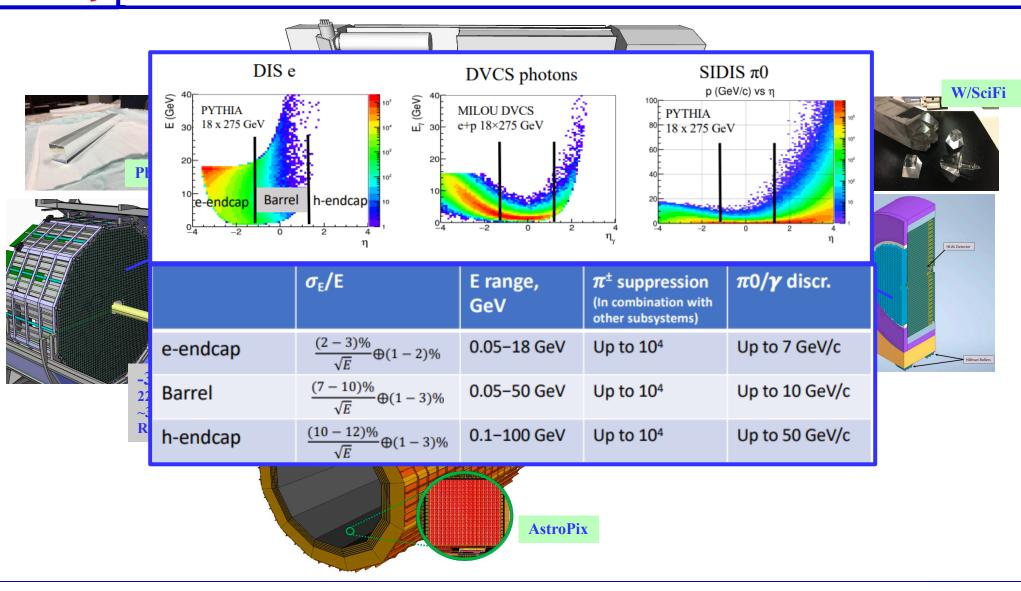
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# HADRON CALORIMETRY IN ePIC CD

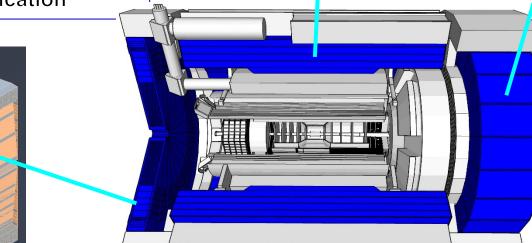
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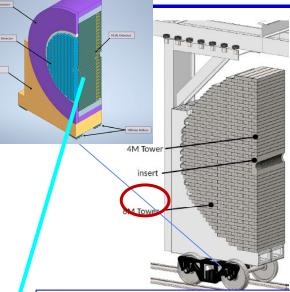
Steel/scintillator sampling calorimetry -CONSOLIDATED TECHNOLOGY

- Identification of neutral hadron jets, especially at low x
- Tail catcher for e/m calorimeter
- μ identification



**Barrel Hcal** 





#### Forward endcap

- Original design inspired by CALICE development:
- "SiPM on TILE"
- High granularity insert at high η
- Jet energy measurement
- DIS kinematics reconstruction "Hadronic method"
- muon ID

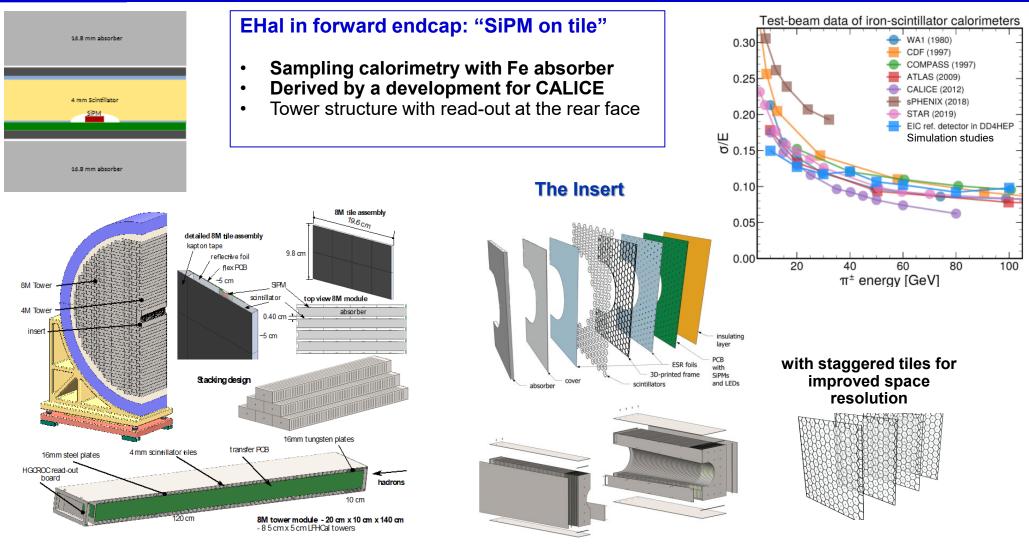
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## HADRON CALORIMETRY IN ePIC CD

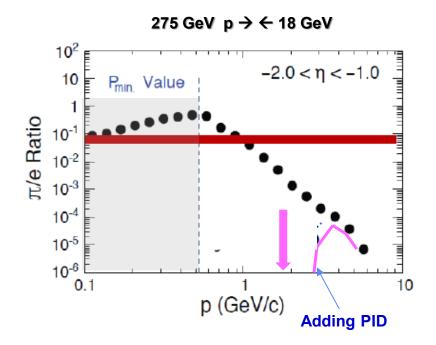




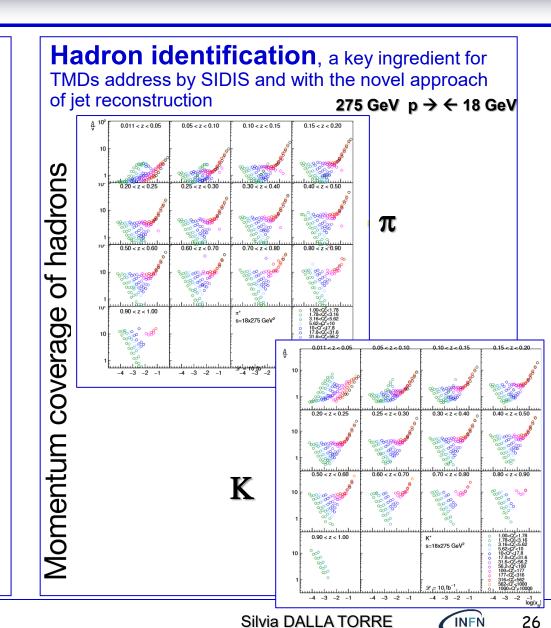


# The <u>double</u> role of PID in ePIC CD

**Support electron identification**, which cannot be provided by ECals only in DIS experiments with electron beams (see HERMES, JLab)

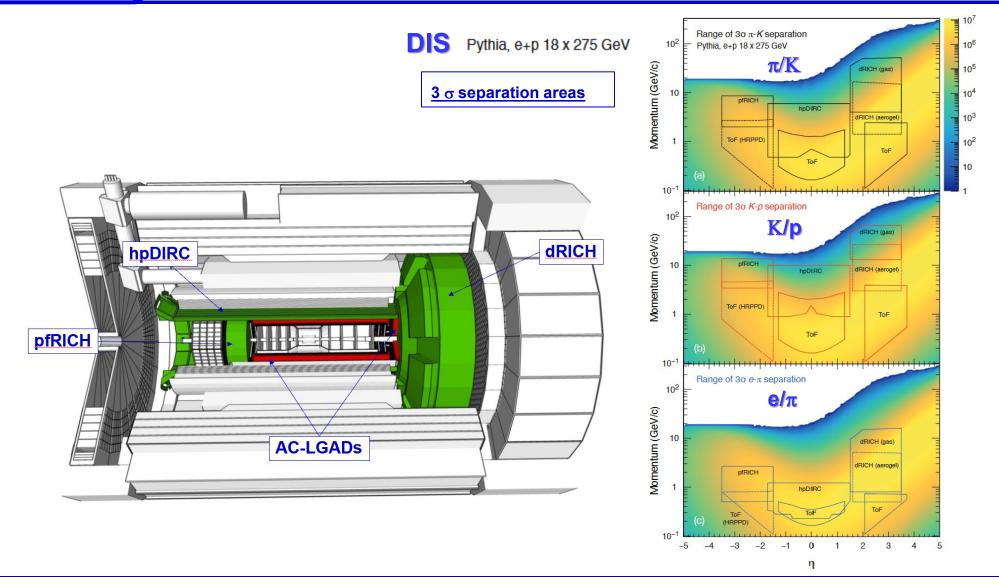


The different physics channels require  $\pi$  contamination in the electron sample down to 10<sup>-4</sup>





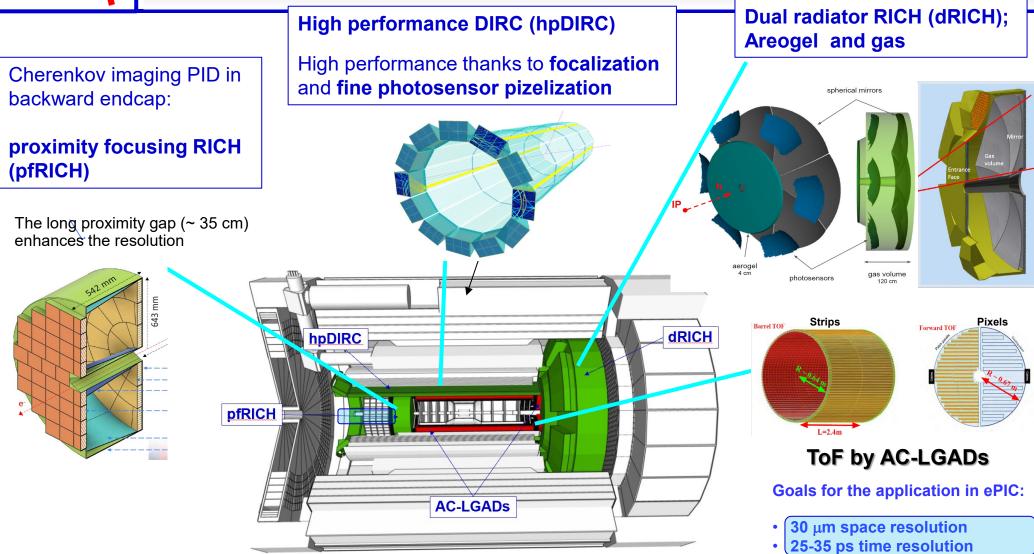
## PID IN ePIC CD







# PID IN ePIC CD





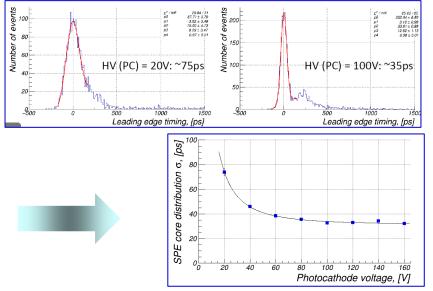


# PHOTOSENSORS for CHERENKOV PID IN ePIC

# For pfRICH (option for hpDIRC) : **HRPPDs by INCOM**

 $\rightarrow$  large-size (12 x 12 cm<sup>2</sup>) MCP-PMTs, pixelized





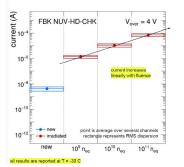
### For dRICH : SiPMs at -30°C

#### $\rightarrow$ Robust R&D for the validation

Studies of radiation damage on SiPM

Repeated irradiation/ annealing cycles

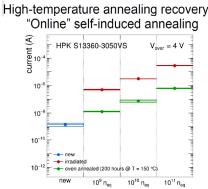
1<sup>st</sup> cycle 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle



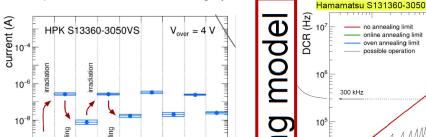
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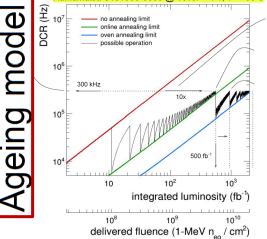




 $\bigcirc$  Vover = 4 V T = -30 C



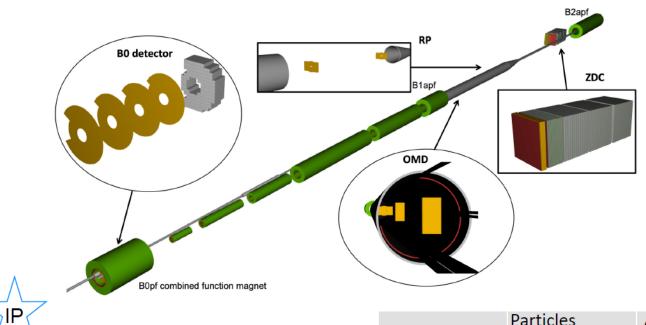
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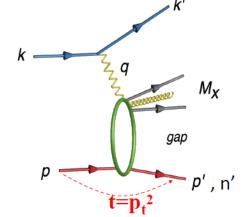




# FAR FORWARD DETECTORS



Exclusive /diffractive reactions driving the design of FF area -> reconstruction of particles outside of the central detector acceptance

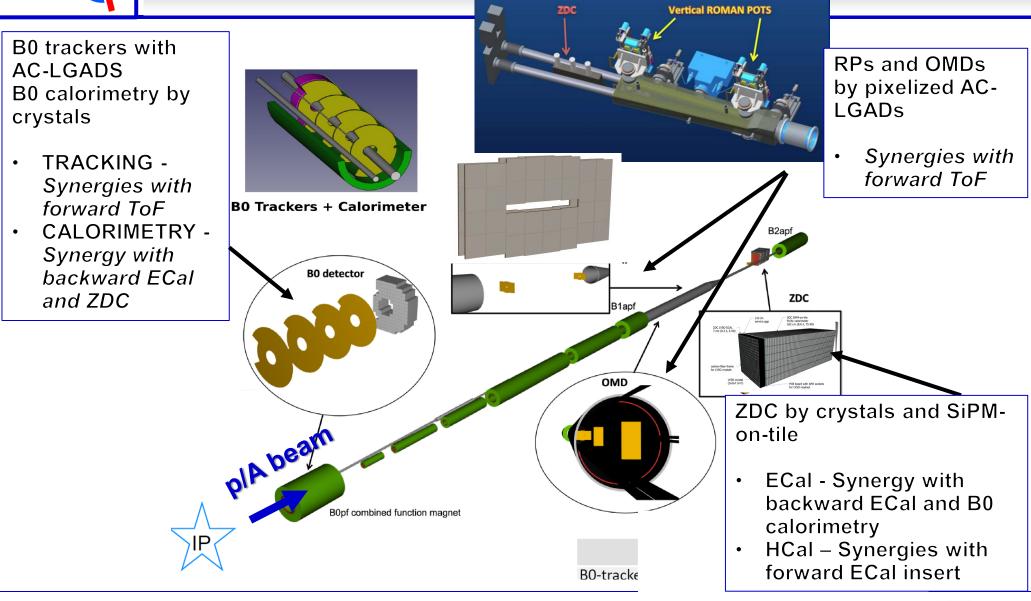


✓ protons at wide range of  $p_T^2$ ✓ protons with different rigidity ✓ neutrons and photons

	Particles	Angle [mrad]		Distance from IP
B0-tracker	Charged particles Photons ( tagged)	5.5 - 20		ca 6-7 m
Off-momentum	Charged particles	0-5.0	0.4< xL< 0.65	ca 23-25 m
Roman Pots	Protons Light nuclei	0*-5.0	0.6 < xL< 0.95	ca 27-30 m
ZDC	Neutrons Photons	0-4.0 (5.5)		ca 35 m



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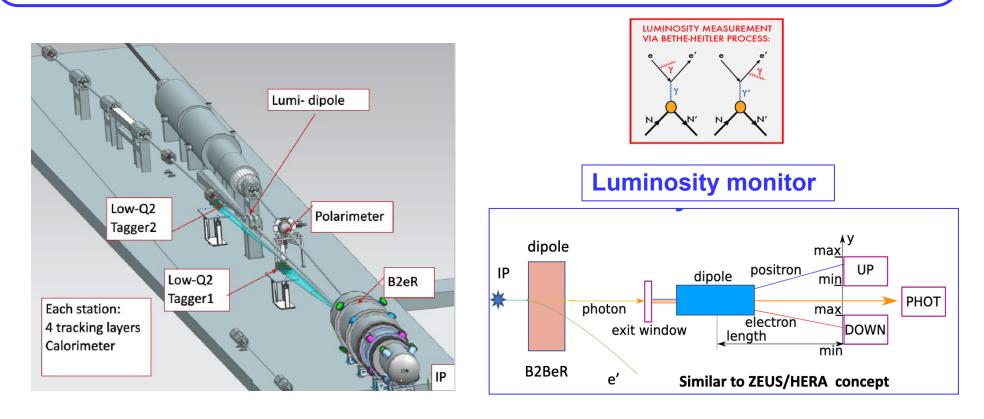


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- > This area is designed to provide coverage for the low-Q<sup>2</sup> events (photoproduction,  $Q^2 < \sim 1 GeV^2$ ). Need to measure a scattered electron position/angle and energy
- > And luminosity detector (ep -> e'p $\gamma$  bremsstrahlung photons)

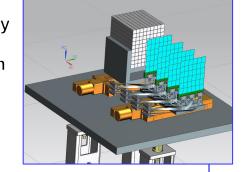




# THE ePIC FAR BACKWARD DETECTORS

Low Q2 taggers

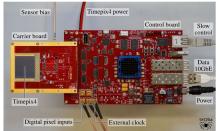
- High rate capability
- Fine tracking pixelization



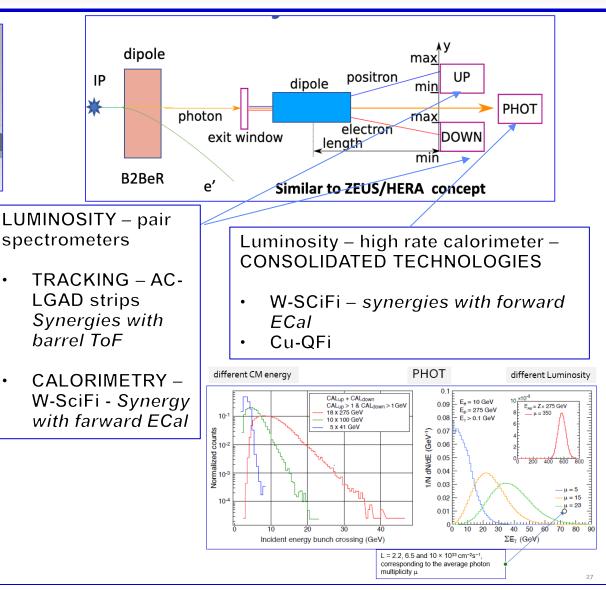
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- Tracking Timepix4 Hybrid (ASIC+Si tracker) - FRONTIER APPLICATION
- Calorimetry SciFi's
- Timepix4 wide experience accumulated with the different timepix versions



**CALORIMETRY** - Synergy with forward **ECal** 

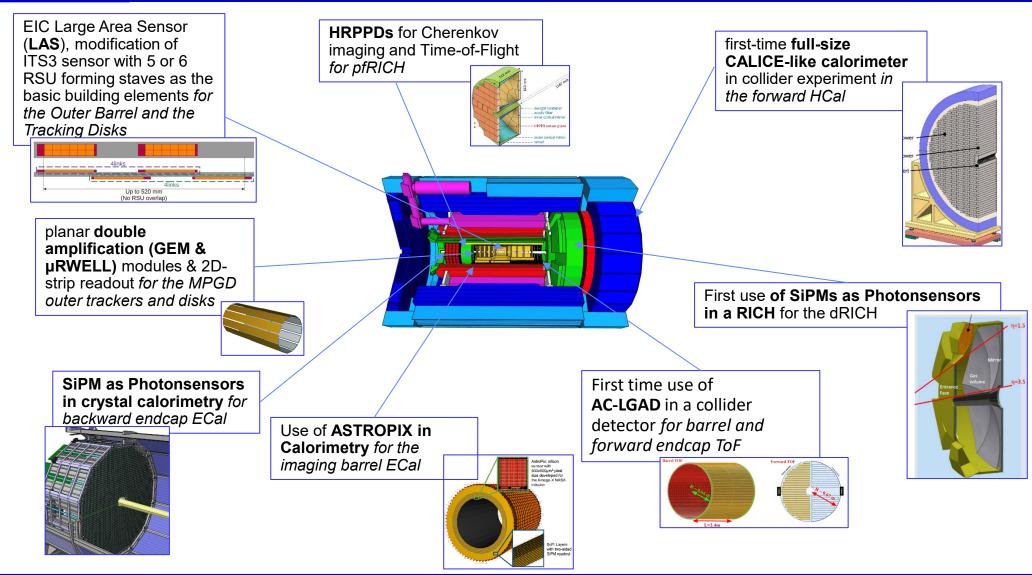


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## TECHNOLOGIES: WORLD FIRST AT ePIC



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The EIC is a unique project, the word only one approved for the ultimate understanding of **Q**CD

Most likely, the only novel high energy collider in the next 15-20 years

- The EIC project is approved and progressing according to schedule
- The ePIC Collaboration for the project detector ePIC is working and highly committed
  - The ePIC detector design is dictated by the physics scope
  - A number of established and novel technologies needed to match this scope
- Exciting perspectives in front of us designing, building, operating ePIC and progressing in physics with our detector





# THANK YOU





# **ePIC DETECTOR CHALLENGES**

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- Small β\*
  - → quads near to IP
  - → 9.5 m to host the central detector
- Asymmetry beam energies
  - → Asymmetric detector design
- Far detectors highly integrated with the storage rings
- Synchrotron radiation background
  - ightarrow solenoid axis aligned with e beam
  - $\rightarrow$  p/ion beams follow a helical path in the CD solenoid
- Other physical backgrounds
   → beam-gas scattering
- Crab crossing
  - → Vertex smearing to be removed with timing information fast timing in the range ~30 40 ps
- Bunch crossing rate and crossing time
  - $\rightarrow$  Up to a bunch crossing every 10 ns
  - $\rightarrow$  The whole bunch crossing takes ~ 3 ns

-40 $-20$ $0$ $20$ $40$ $z$ (m)	Offendence generations Offendence generations Offend	Q1 B0pF B0AF B0AF D1ApF Q1B1pF Q2pF DF
9.5m	9.5m	

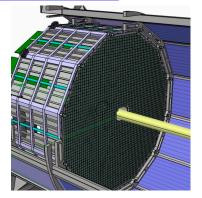
Detector

Q1BpF 01ApR

rates in kHz	5x41 GeV	5x100 GeV	10x100 GeV	10x275 GeV	18x275 GeV	Vacuum
Total ep	12.5 kHz	129 kHz	184 kHz	500 kHz	83 kHz	
hadron beam gas	12.2kHz	22.0kHz	31.9kHz	32.6kHz	22.5kHz	10000Ahr
	131.1kHz	236.4kHz	342.8kHz	350.3kHz	241.8kHz	100Ahr
electron beam gas	2181.97 kHz	2826.38 kHz	3177.25 kHz	3177.25 kHz	316.94 kHz	10000Ahr
DIS eA	kHz	kHz	kHz	1	1	
hadron beam (Au) gas	7.36kHz	10.3kHz	10.3kHz	1	1	10000Ahr
	79.1kHz	110.7kHz	110.7kHz	1	1	100Ahr

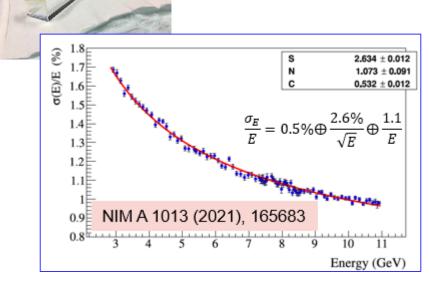




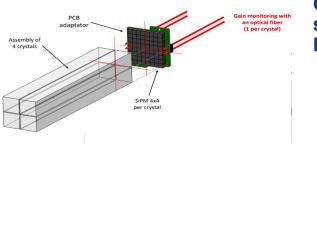


#### ECal in backward endcap: PbWO<sub>4</sub>

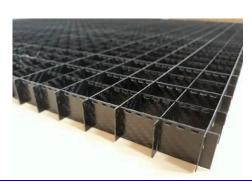
- Consolidated technology
- Finest energy resolution
   Now challenge: preserve
  - New challenge: preserving the resolution with SiPMs
- Fine granularity



#### Readout coupling

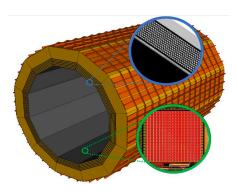


#### C-fiber structure to hold crystals



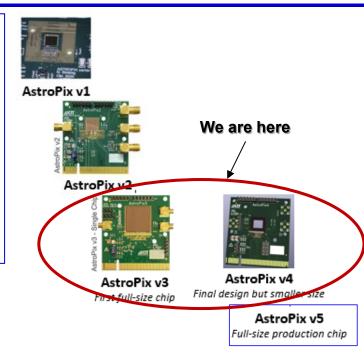




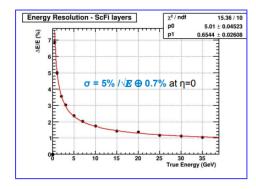


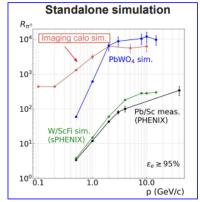
#### ECal in the barrel: hybrid architecture

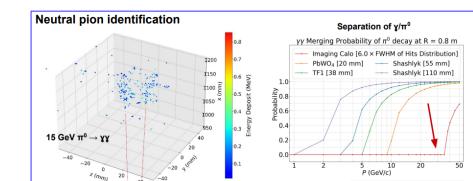
- Internal layers: imaging
  - SENSOR : Astropix (derived from ATLASpix3, design for NASA AMEGO-X mission)
  - New: active interposing layers
- External and interposing layers:
  - **Pb/Sci** (validated: KLOE, GlueX, ...)



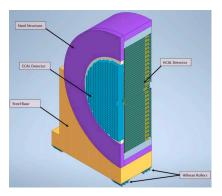
## Performance based on simulations

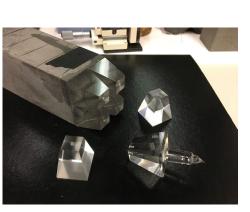








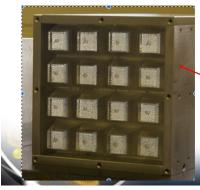




#### ECal in forward endcap: W/SciFi

- Pioneered by UCLA
  - sPHENIX EMCal: 25k towers
- Good resolution
- High granularity for  $\pi^0$
- e/h~1 for jets
  - → ideal to operate in duet with the forward endcap HCal

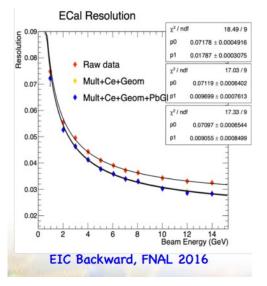




Optimization of light collection: BEMC Super

BEMC Superblocks, UV LED Map

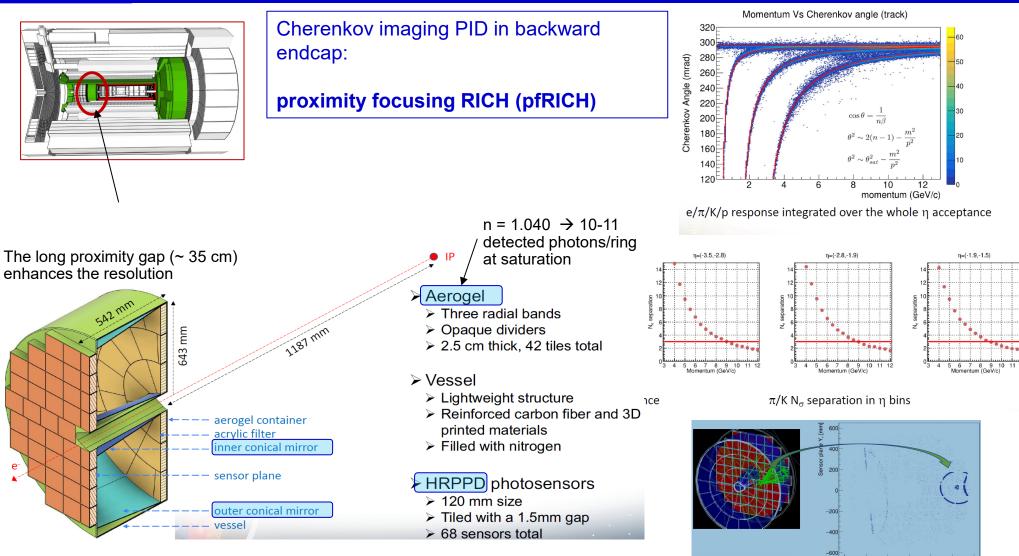








# CHERENKOV PID IN ePIC CD



-400

-600

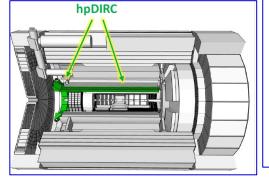


200 400 600 Sensor plane X. (mm



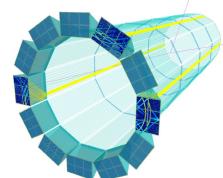
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Cherenkov imaging PID in the barrel:

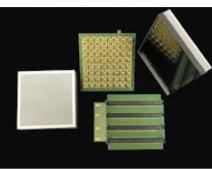


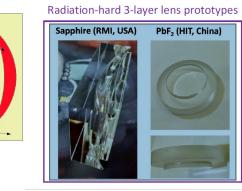
High performance DIRC (hpDIRC)

High performance thanks to focalization and fine photosensor pizelization



Photek MAPMT 253

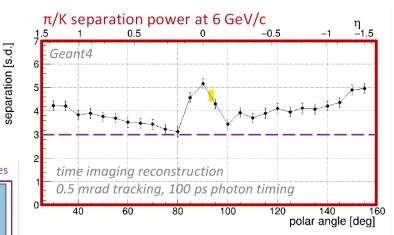




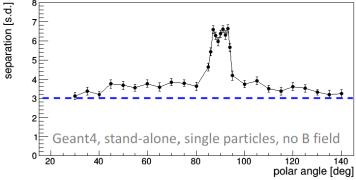
A further option: HRPPDs

LaK33B







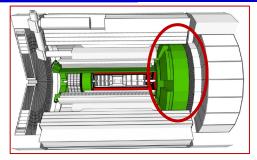


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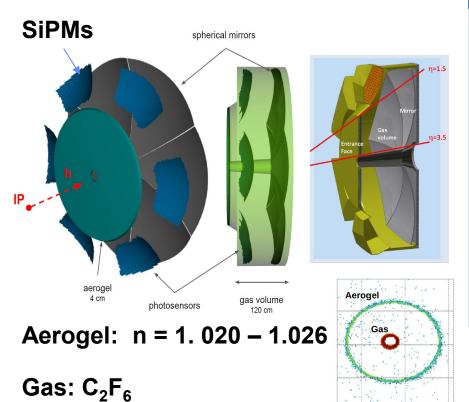


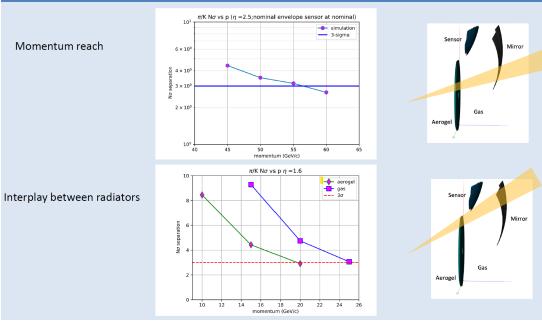
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Cherenkov imaging PID in the forward endcap:

#### **Dual radiator RICH (dRICH)**





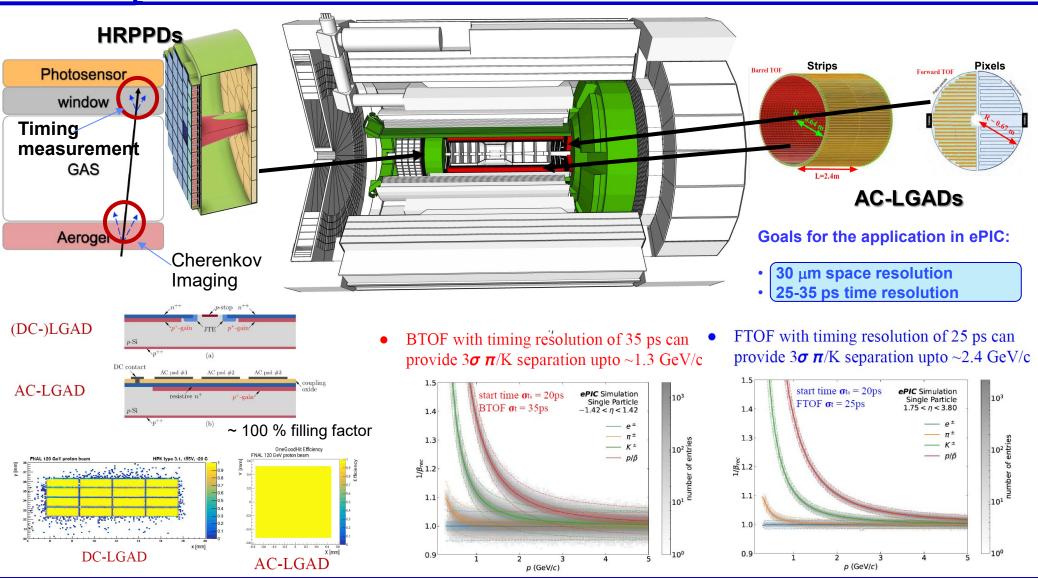
dRICH Simulation: Momentum reach

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## ToF PID IN ePIC CD



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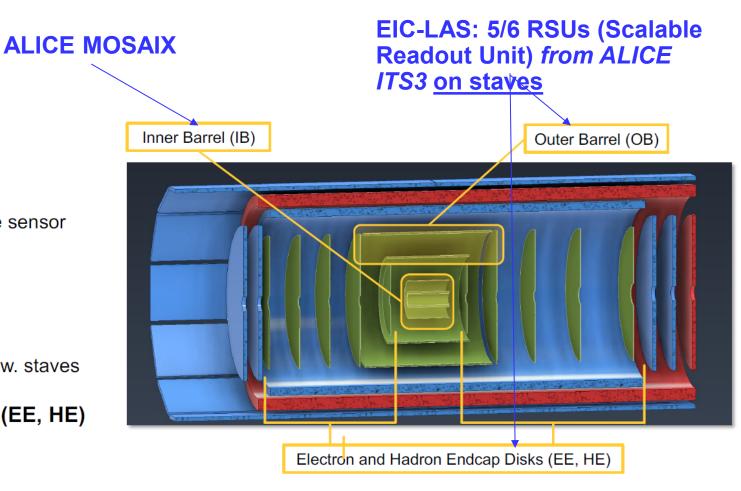
# Si TRACKING IN ePIC CD

#### • Inner Barrel (IB)

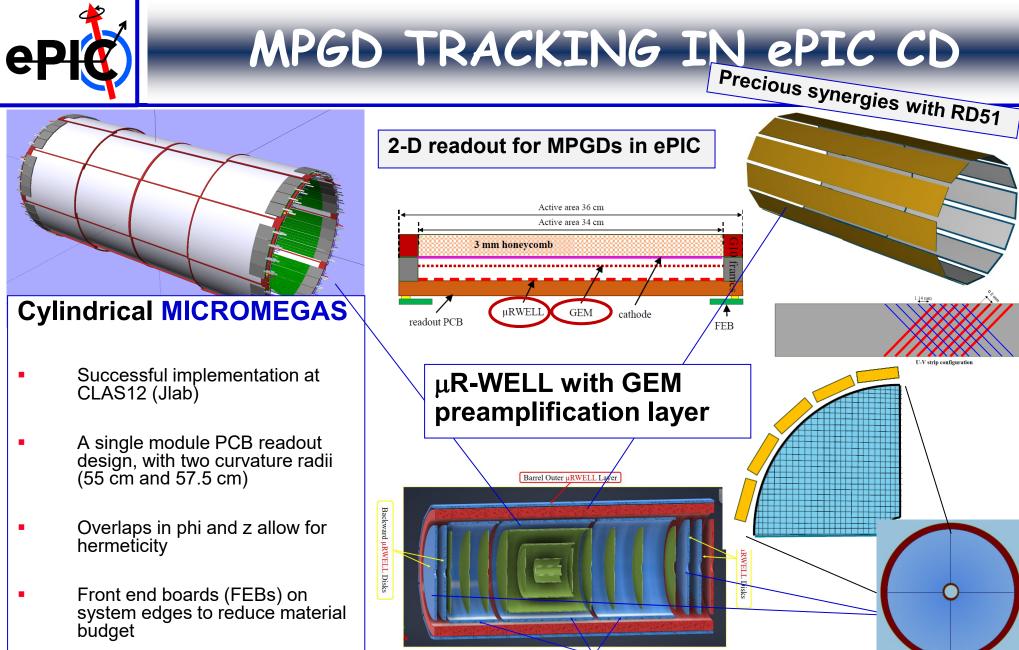
- Three layers, L0, L1, L2,
- Radii of 36, 41, 120 mm
- Length of 27 cm
- X/X<sub>0</sub> ~ 0.05% per layer
- Curved, thinned, wafer-scale sensor

#### • Outer Barrel (OB)

- Two layers, L3, L4
- Radii of 27 and 42 cm
- X/X $_0$  ~0.25% and ~0.55%
- · More conventional structure w. staves
- Electron/Hadron Endcaps (EE, HE)
  - Two arrays with five disks
  - X/X<sub>0</sub> ~0.25% per disk
  - More conventional structure



• Lengths for L2—L4 increase so as to project back to z = 0; disk radii adjust accordingly



Inner Cyl Micromegas Barrel Layer CyMBaL