

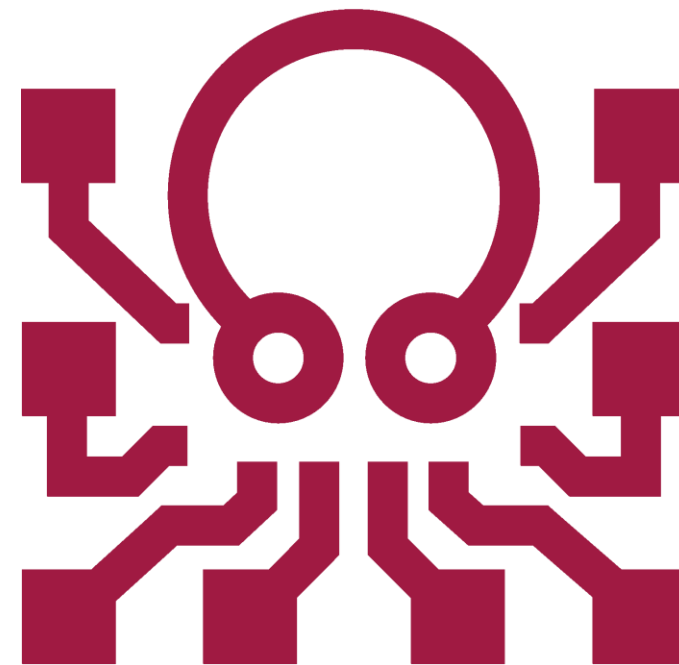
# OCTOPUS Project

Optimized CMOS Technology for Precision in Ultra-thin Silicon

Towards Lepton Collider Vertex Detector Demonstrator

Gianpiero Vignola on behalf of the OCTOPUS project

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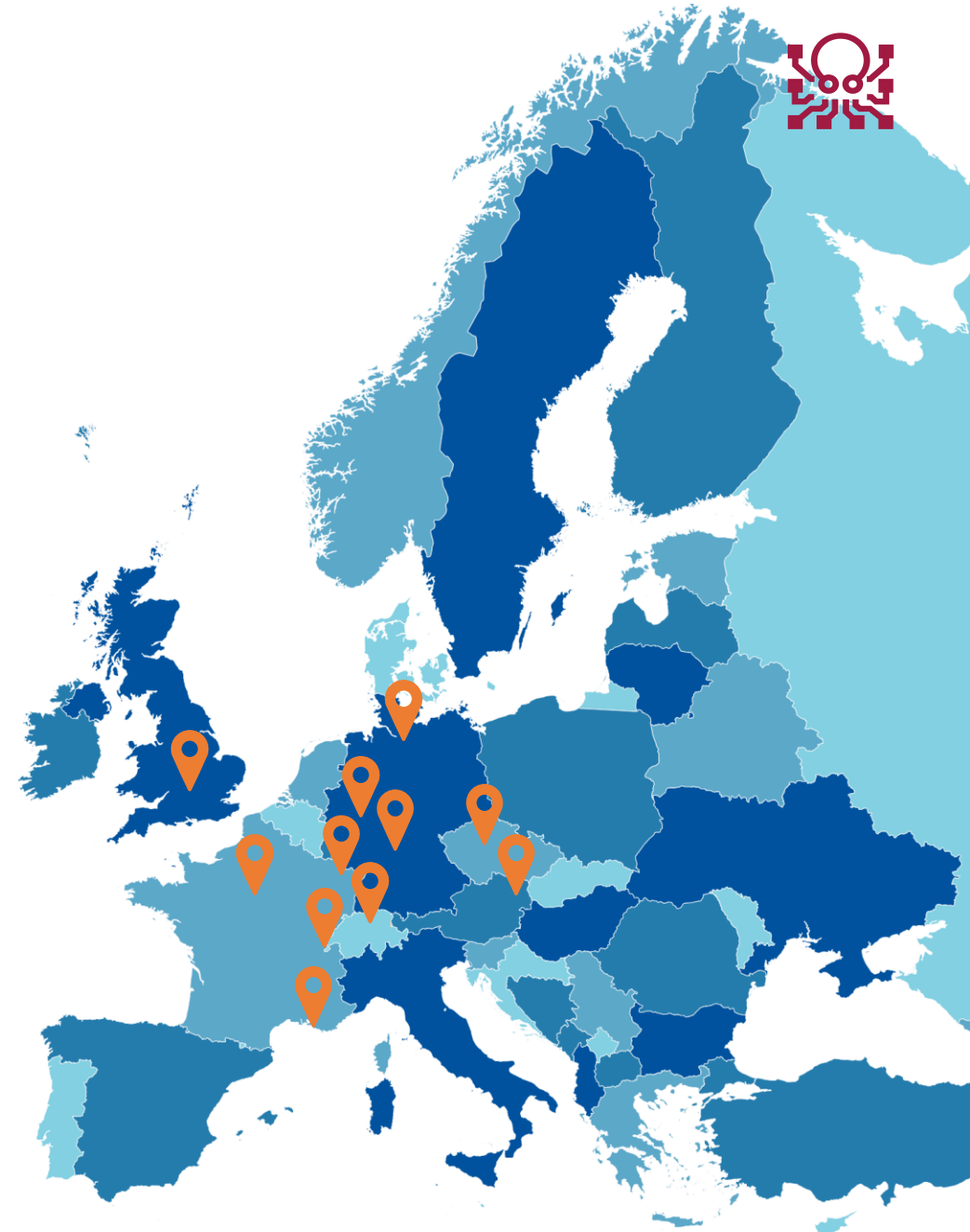


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## International Project within DRD3 Collaboration



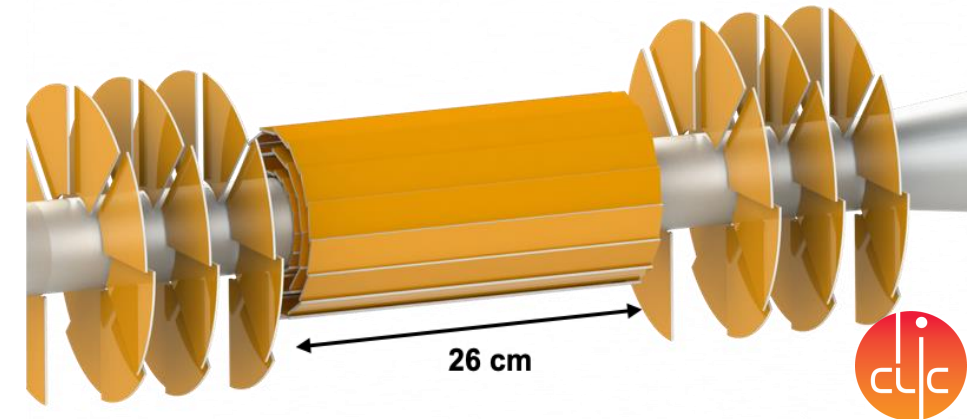
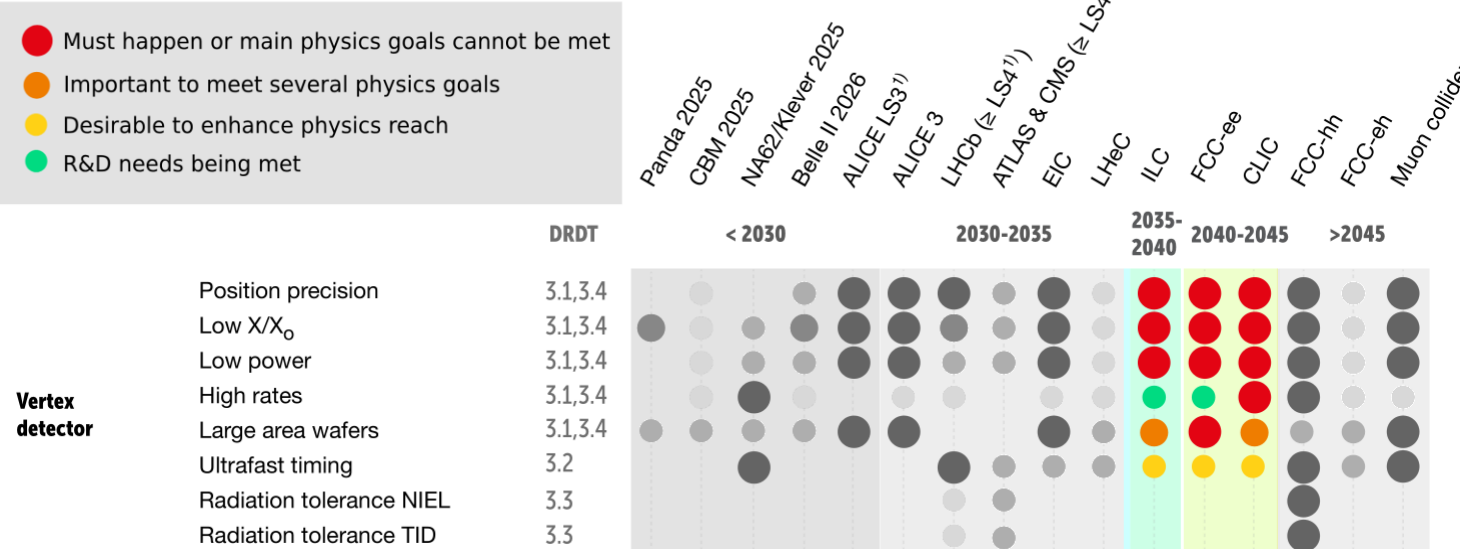
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# Goal: Vertex Detectors for Future Lepton Colliders



## Precise Detectors for Precision Physics



Key R&D activities for solid-state vertex detector, from ECFA detector R&D roadmap (2021)

CLIC vertex detector concept



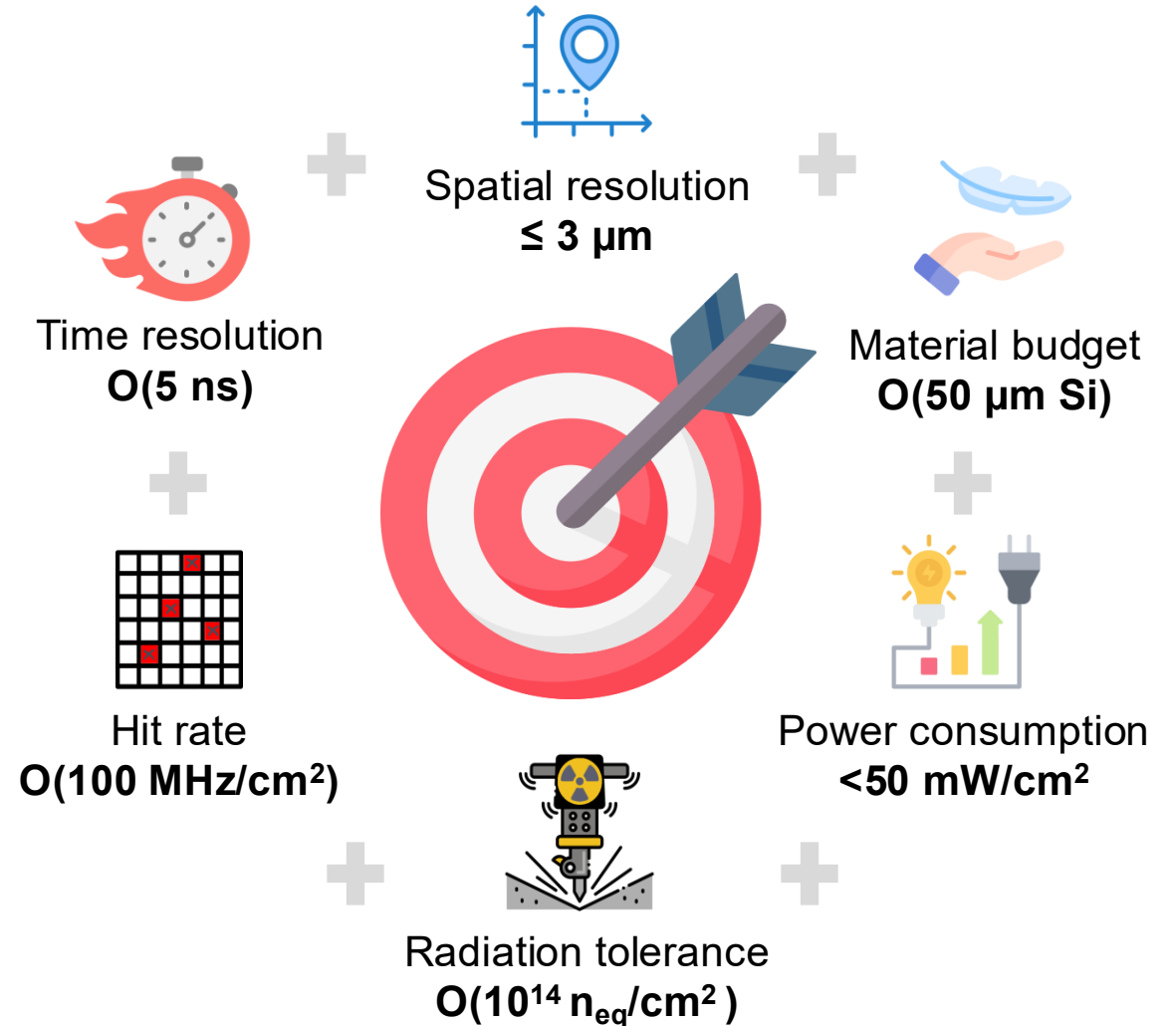
- Similar silicon-based vertex detector concept for all the major lepton colliders experiments proposals
- More stringent requirements compared to the existing vertex detectors

# OCTOPUS Project: Final Target

## Vertex Sensor Demonstrator

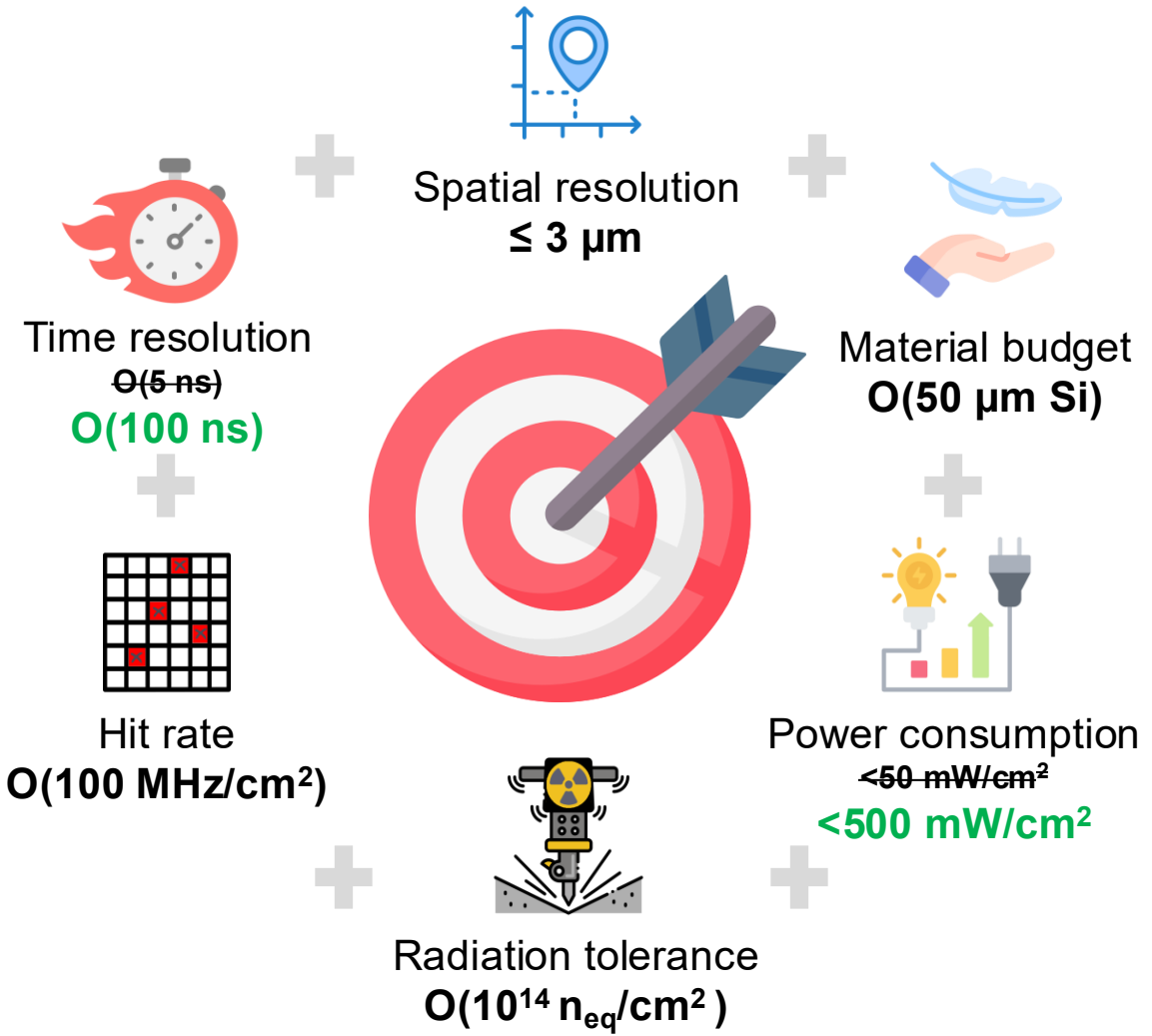
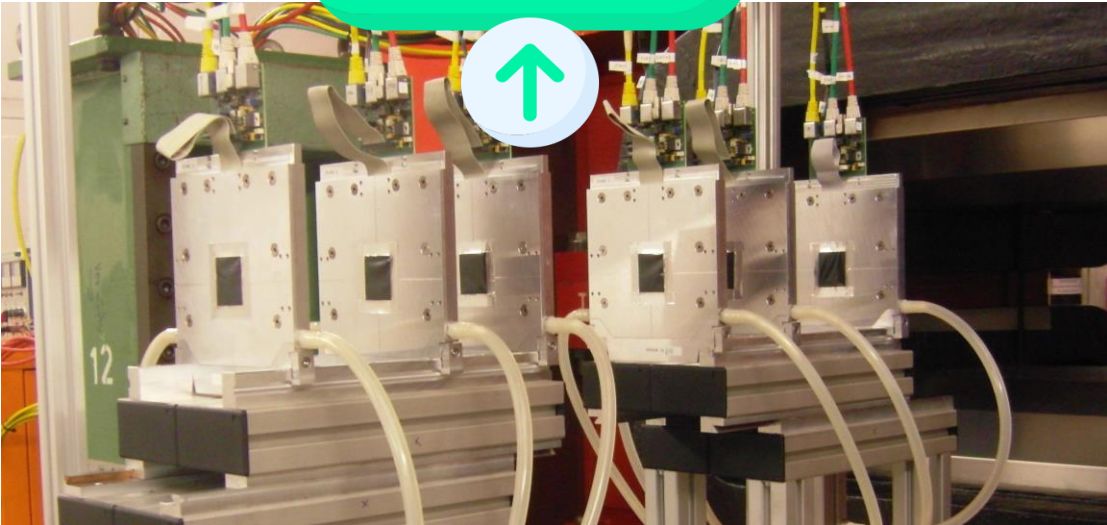
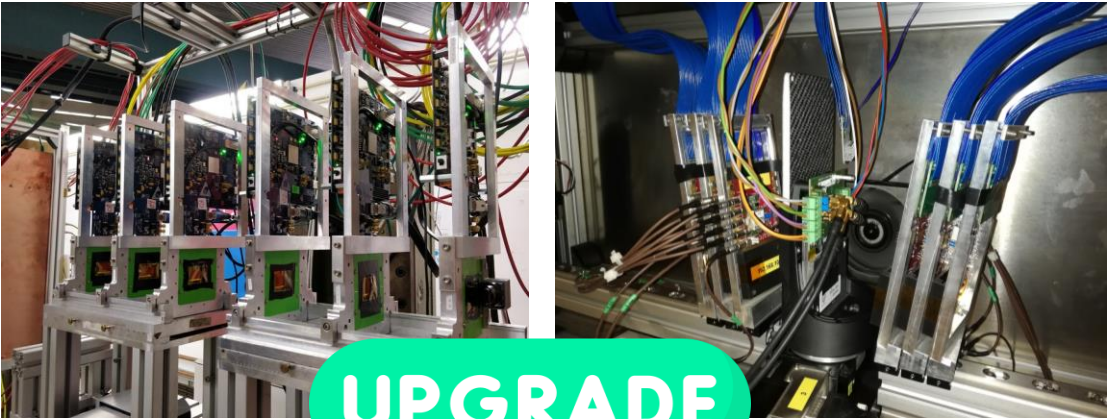


- Development of a full-size sensor demonstrator for future lepton collider vertex detectors
- Target vertex-detector requirements outlined in the ECFA detector roadmap
- Simulate, develop and test fine-pitch pixel sensors prototypes
- Exploiting synergies with related R&D activities and other DRD groups
- Staged approach: adapting to upcoming strategy update recommendations



# OCTOPUS Project: Intermediate Target

Development of High Resolution Sensor for Beam Telescopes



# OCTOPUS Project Structure

## Four Workpackages



**WP1:  
Simulations**  
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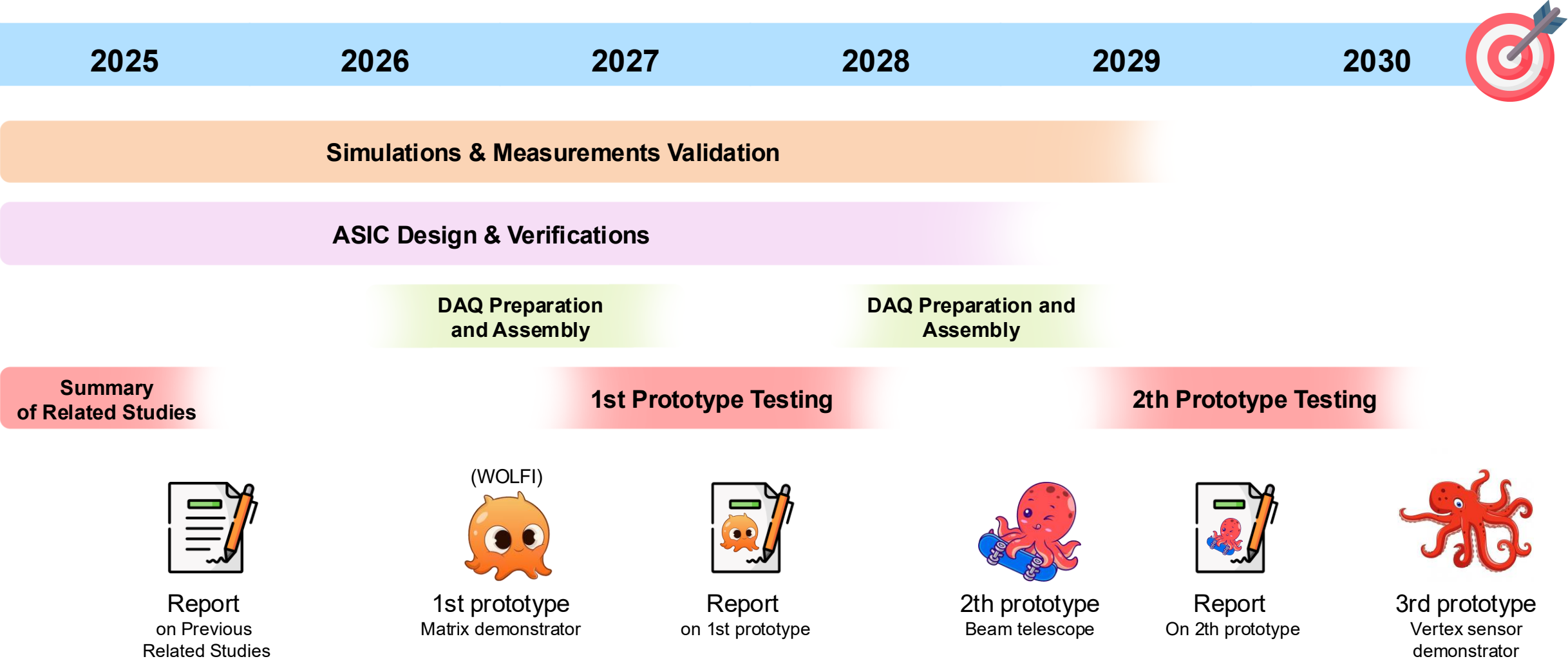
**WP2: ASIC**  
F. Guezzi, L. Huth, S.  
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**WP3: Data  
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**WP4: Testing &  
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# Current Timeline and Deliverables

## OCTOPUS Project

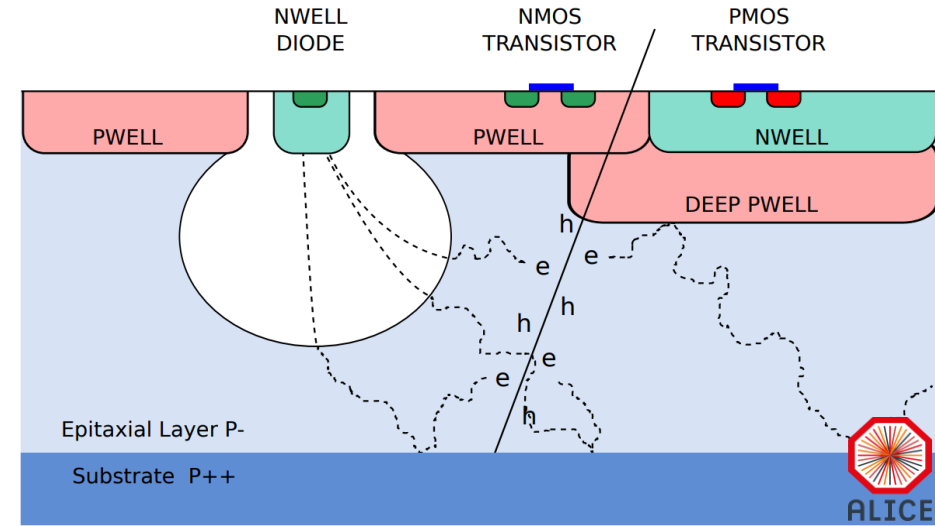


# Technology: Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors

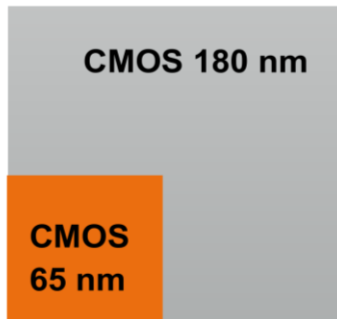


## Towards New Generation of MAPS

- Small collection electrode MAPS developed in commercial CMOS processes
- Already in use as detectors in HEP experiments
- Several R&D ongoing for the next-gen. MAPS produced using a 65 nm process
- MLR1 (2021) and ER1 (2023) multi-project submission to TPSCo65 CIS

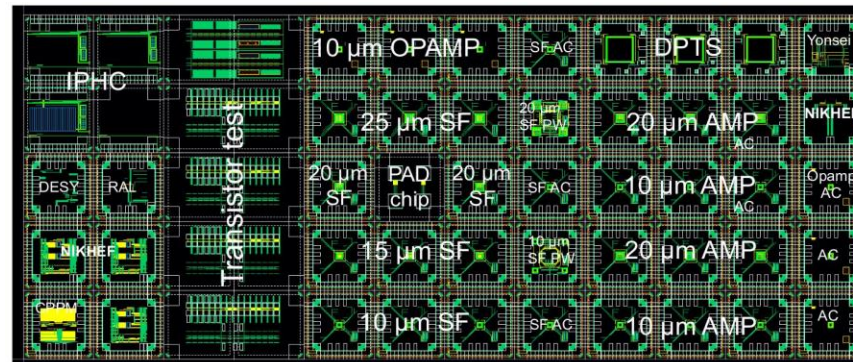


ALPIDE MAPS pixel sketch

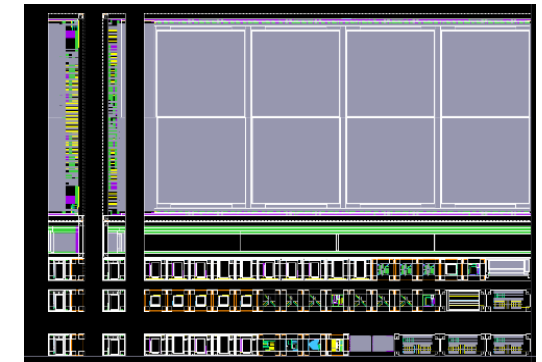


### Higher logic density

- ✓ Smaller pixel
- ✓ Decrease in power
- ✓ More in-pixel functionality



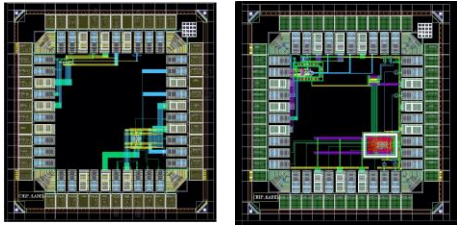
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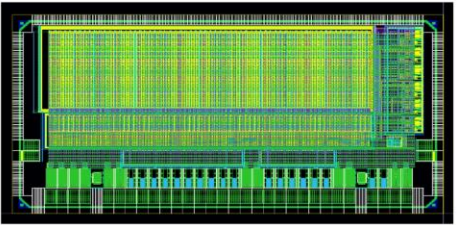
# Previous Experience: Tangerine Project

## Converging in the OCTOPUS Project



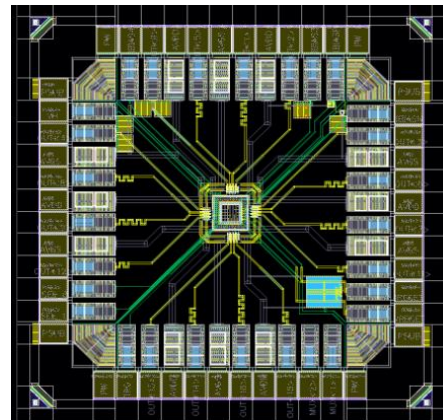
### Studies on DESY Chip V1 and V2

- Implementation and testing of a fast CSA with Krummenacher feedback
- Verified the possibility of achieving ns timing



### Studies on Hybrid To Monolithic (H2M)

- Ported an hybrid pixel detector architecture into a monolithic chip with digital on top design
- Extensive prototype calibration and characterizations



### Studies on Analog Pixel Test Structures

- Conducted in collaboration with ALICE group
- Studied and compared different sensor layouts and pixel pitches
- Validation of TCAD+Allpix<sup>2</sup> simulations results

See:

[BTTB13 Larissa Mendes](#)

[BTTB13 Finn King, Sara Ruiz Daza](#)

Publications:

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# WP1: Simulations

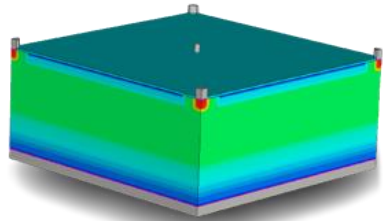
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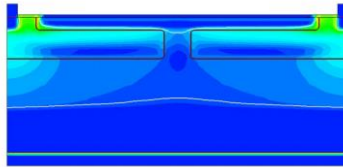
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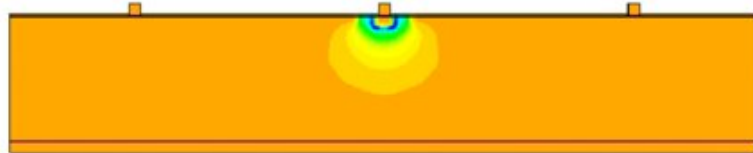
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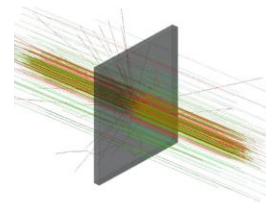
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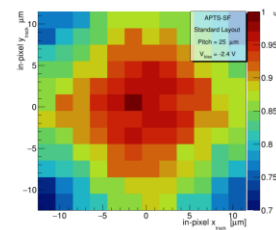
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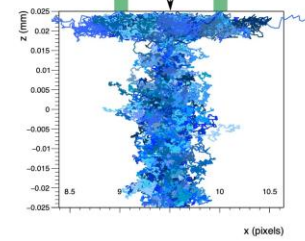
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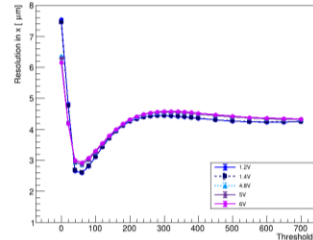
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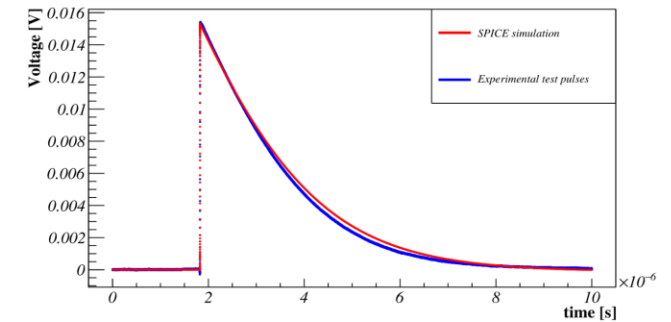
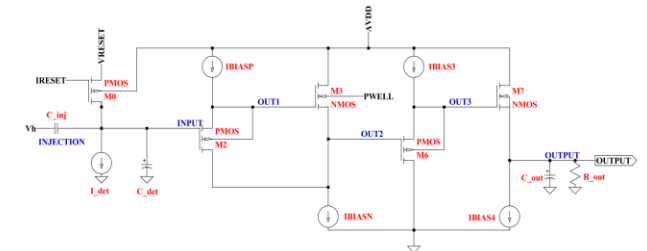
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Sensor response



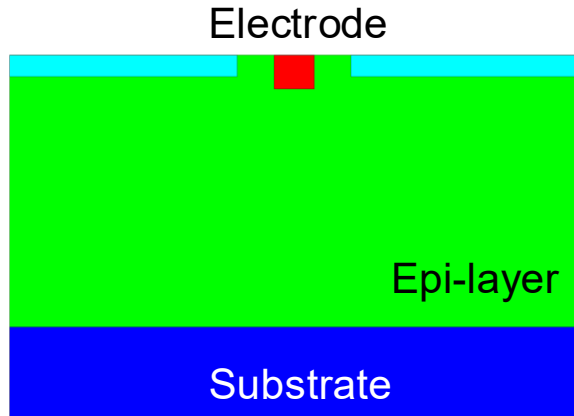
Spatial resolution



Realistic front-end response simulation

# WP1: Simulations

## Sensor Layout



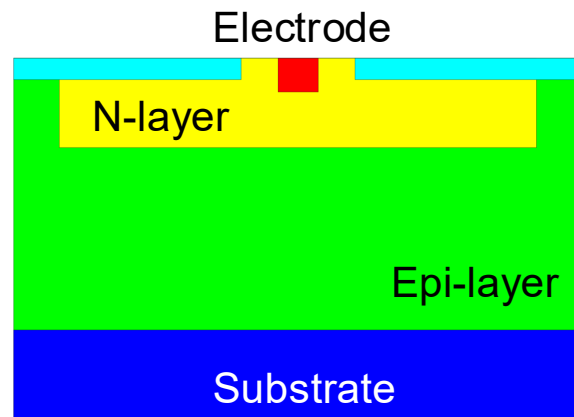
### Standard Layout

- Good spatial resolution (charge sharing) 😊 ✓
- More space for electronics (larger pitch) 😊 ✓
- Slow charge collection (diffusion) 😞 ✗
- Low efficacy at high thresholds 😞 ✗



### Standard Simulations

Pitch	20 - 25 $\mu\text{m}$
Voltage	1.2 - 6.0 V
Read-out	0 - 8 bins



### N-Gap Layout

- Fast charge collection (drift) 😊 ✓
- High efficacy at high thresholds 😊 ✓
- Limited spatial resolution (binary) 😞 ✗
- Less space for electronics (smaller pitch) 😞 ✗

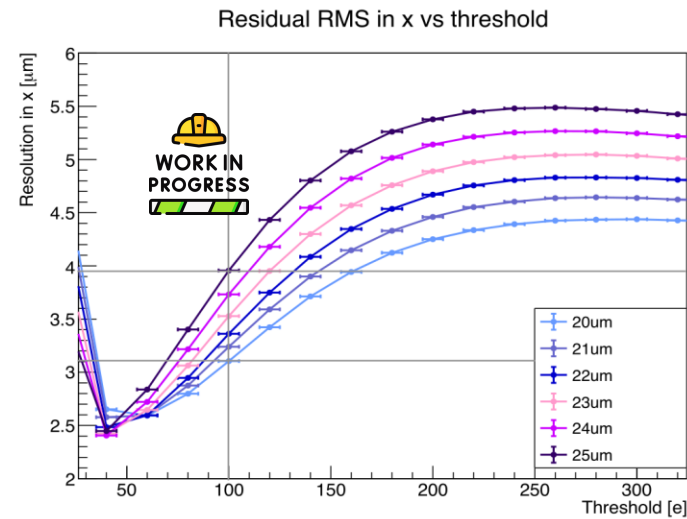
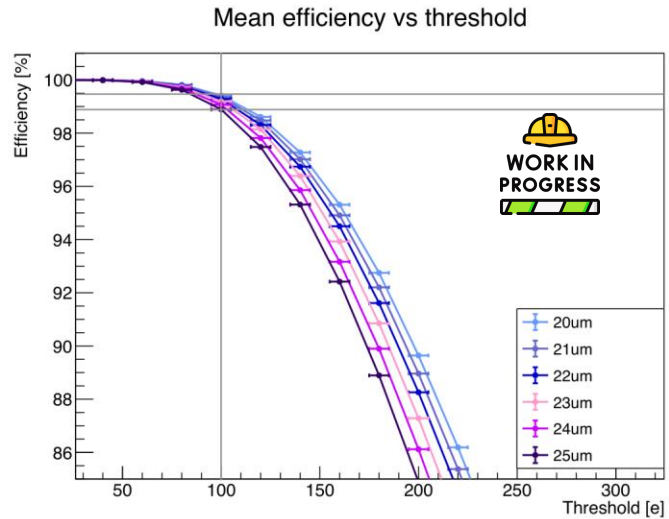
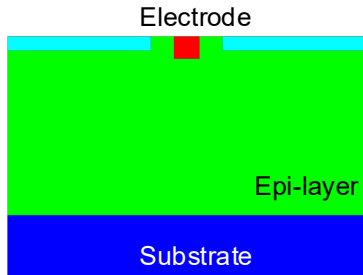


### N-Gap Simulations

Pitch	10 - 14 $\mu\text{m}$
Gap-size	1 - 2 $\mu\text{m}$
Voltage	1.2 - 6.0 V
Read-out	0 - 1 bins

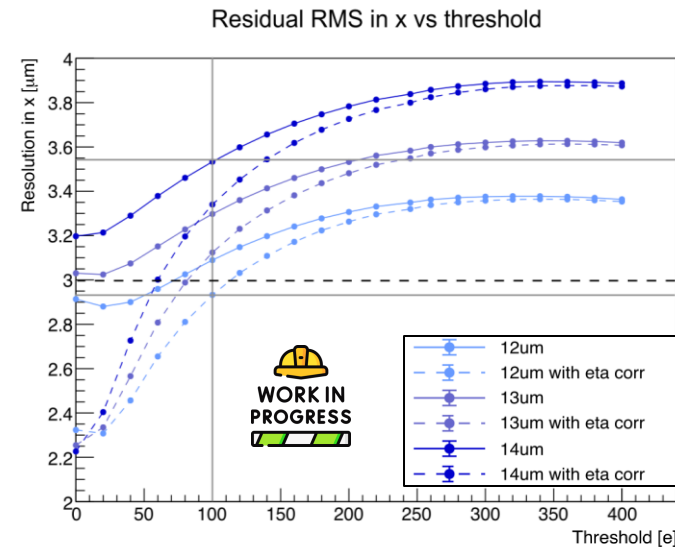
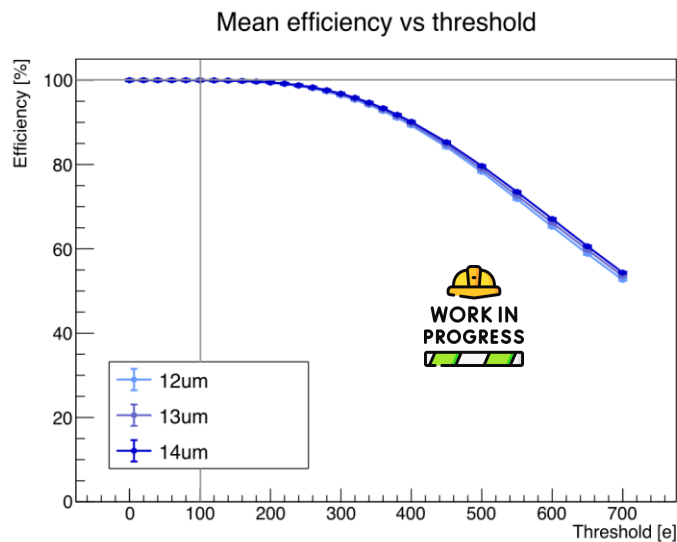
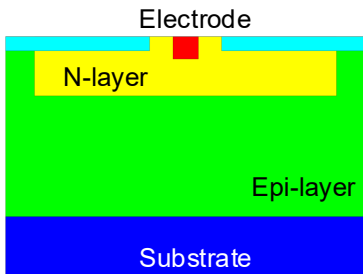
# WP1: Simulations

## First results



## Standard Layout

- O(20  $\mu\text{m}$ ) pitch required
- Lose efficiency at low thr.
- Require charge measurement (few bits)

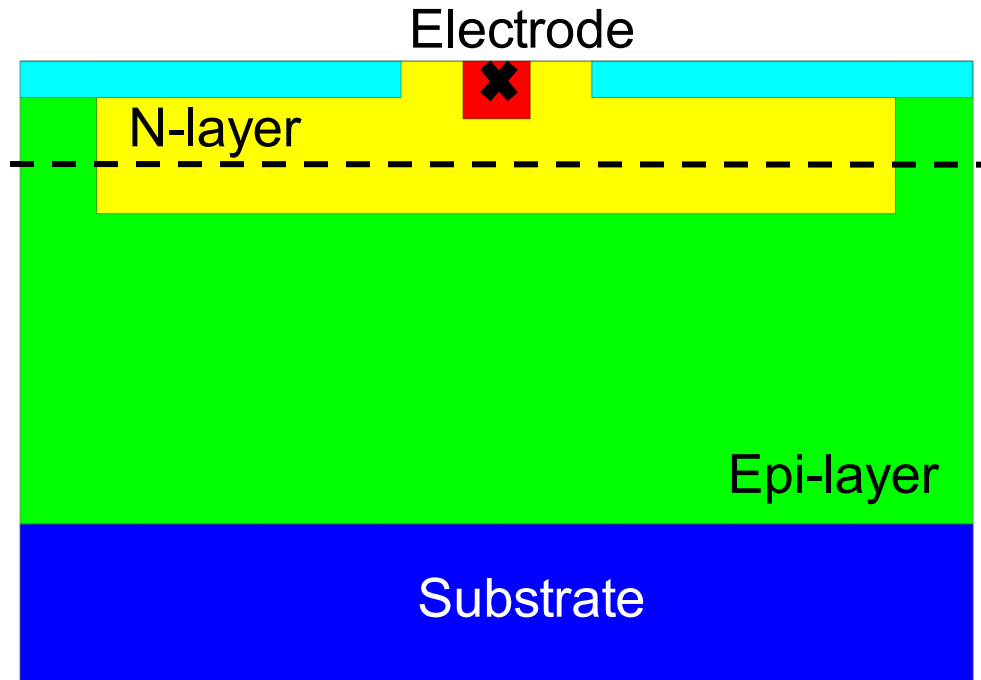


## N-Gap Layout

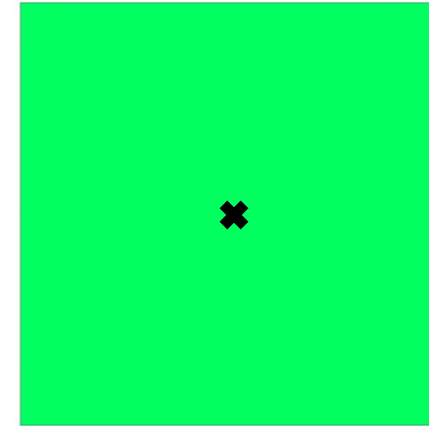
- O(12  $\mu\text{m}$ ) pitch required
- Good efficiency up to high thr.
- Require  $\eta$ -correction for optimal spatial performances

# WP1: Simulations

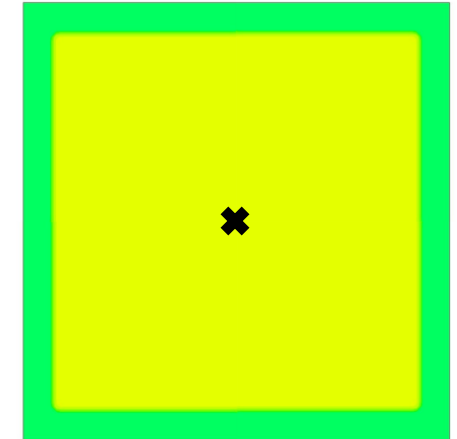
## Investigation on Possible New Sensor Layouts



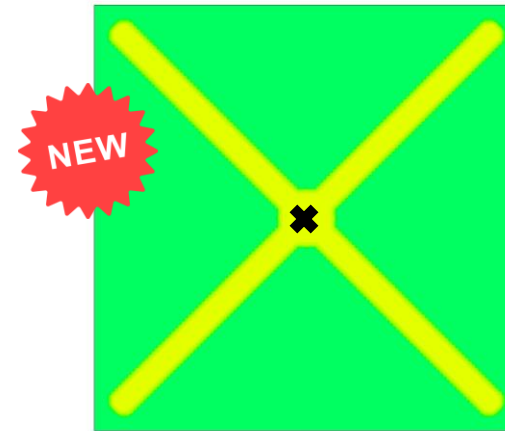
- New layouts try to balance performance of Standard and N-gap variants
- N-structures optimized to improve efficiency/timing while preserving spatial resolution (diffusion regions)



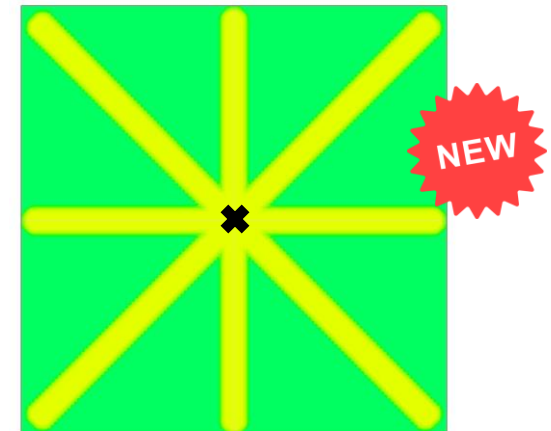
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N-Gap



N-Opt-Cross



N-Opt-Octo

# WP1: Simulations

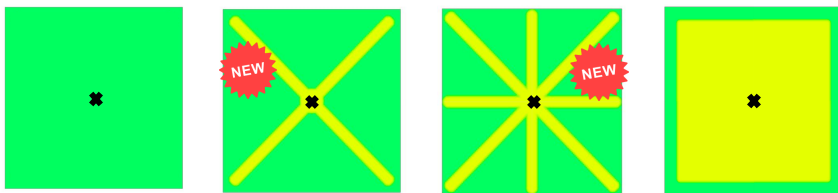
## Investigation on Possible New Sensor Layouts

### Results for New Layouts

- Using 15  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel-pitch
  - Efficiency > 99% up to O(200 e-) thr.
  - Spatial resolution of 3  $\mu\text{m}$  at O(110 e-) thr.

### Next Steps

- Optimization of sensor layout design
- Transient simulation & timing studies
- Verify the feasibility of these layouts



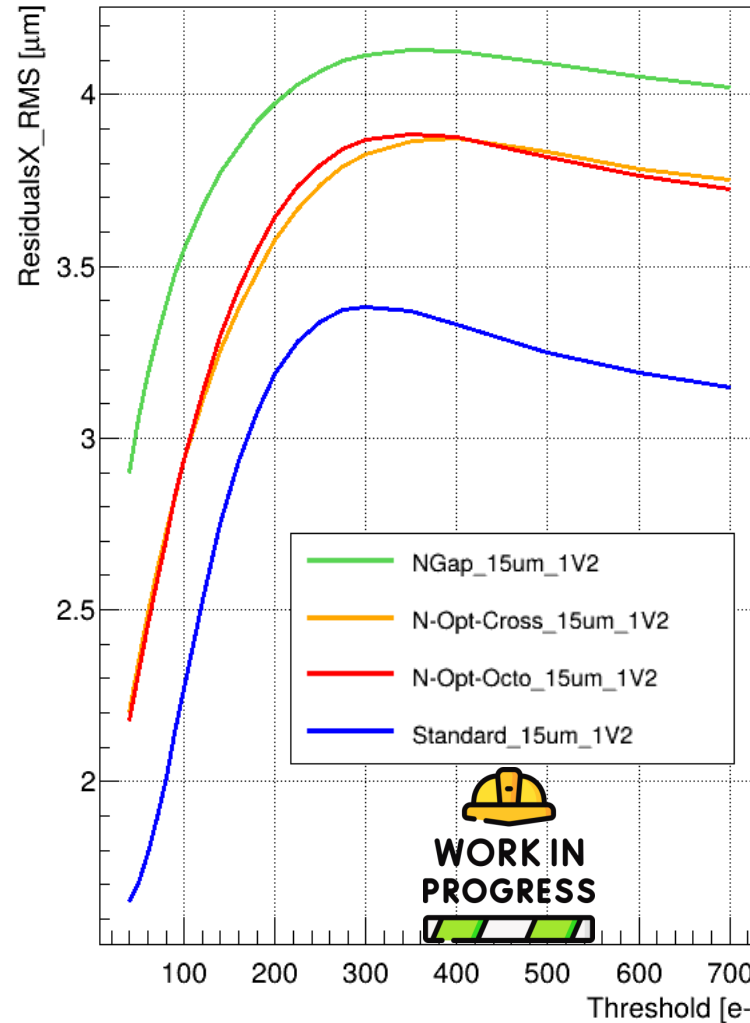
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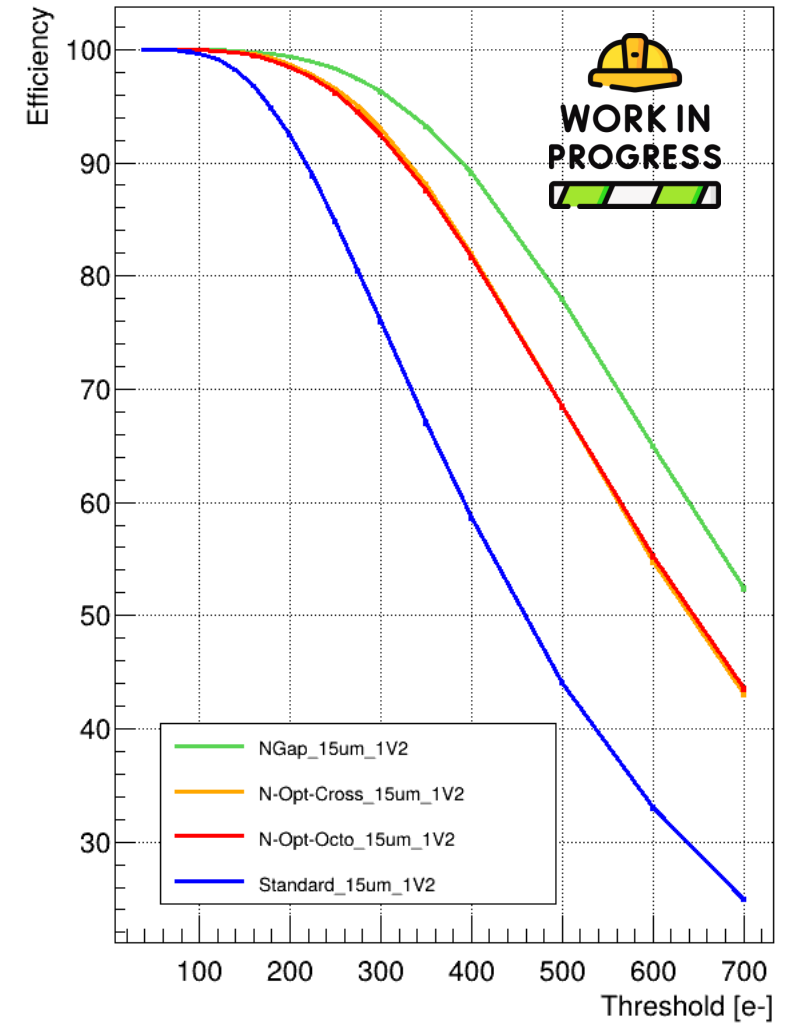
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### Spatial resolution



### Efficiency

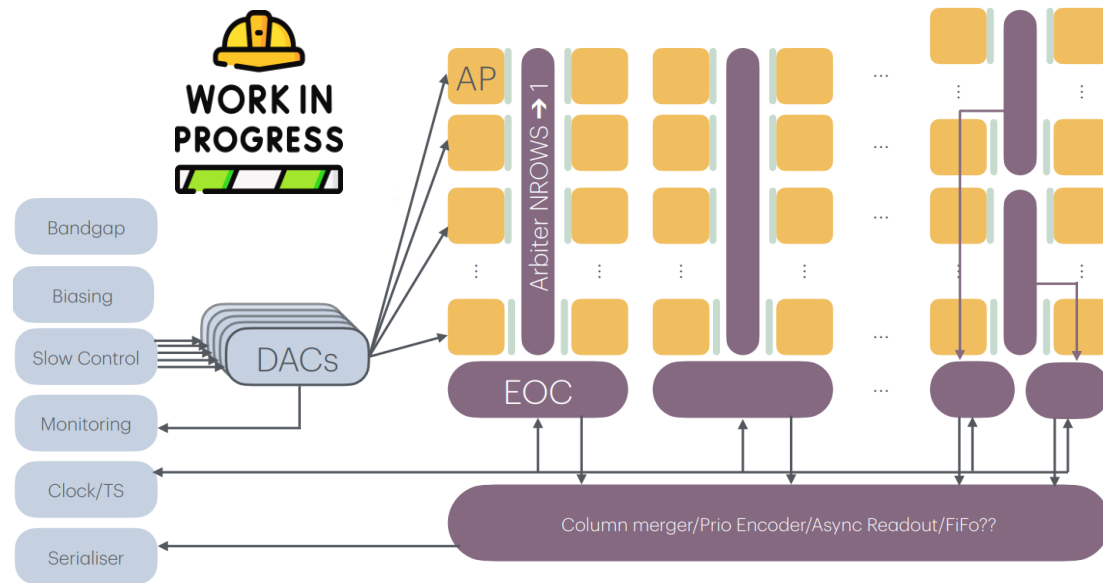


# WP2-WP3: ASIC & Data Acquisition

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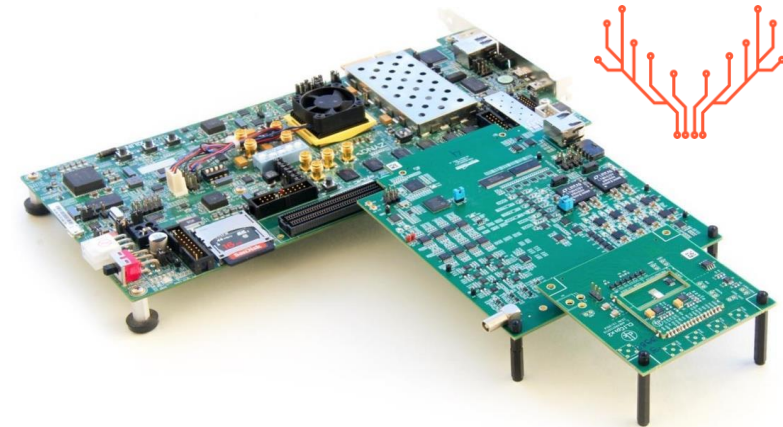


### WP2: ASIC



- All blocks identified & design effort started
- Aim for a prototype with full functionality and column height

### WP3: Data Acquisition



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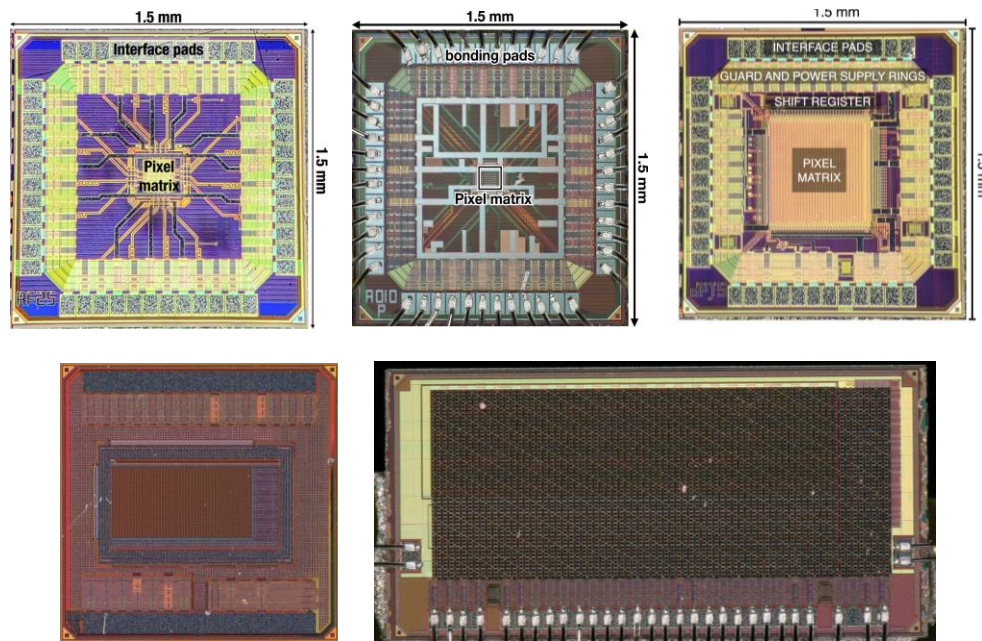
- Using Caribou versatile DAQ
- Open source common platform
- Caribou v2.0 in preparation

# WP4: Testing & Characterization

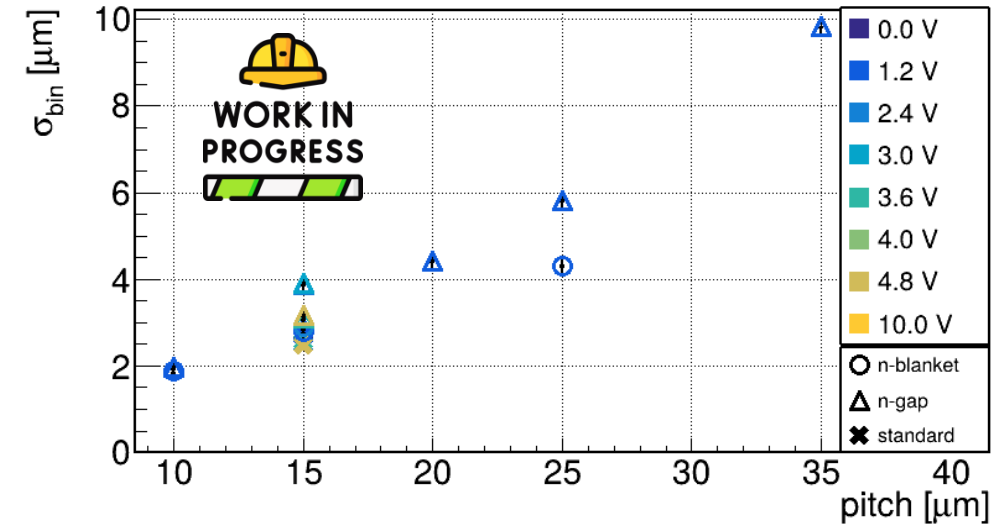


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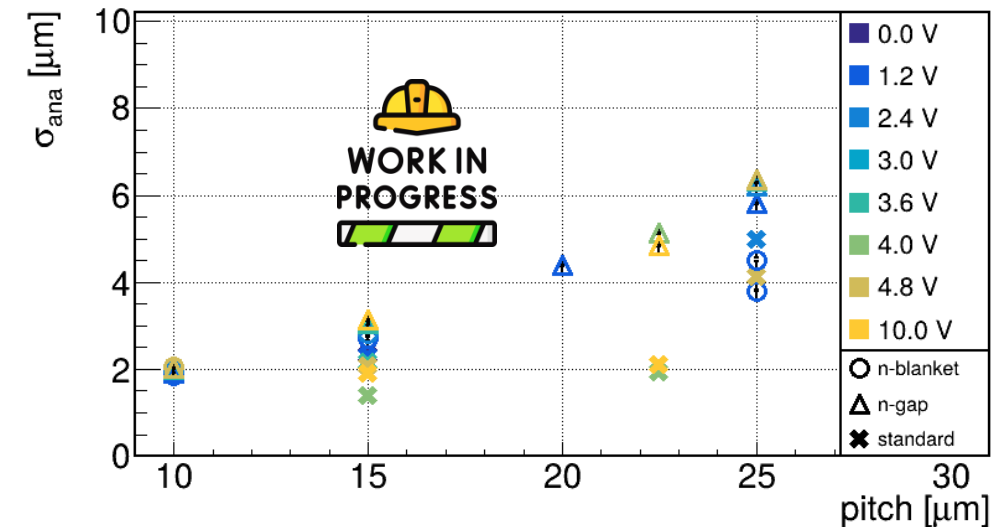
- Summarising results from recent studies on MAPS in TPSCo65 process in the context of project goals
- Will be the starting reference for OCTOPUS activities
- Investigated prototypes: APTS (SF-OA) [1], [2], [2], [4], DPTS [5], CE-65(V2) [6], H2M [7]



### Spatial resolution (binary)



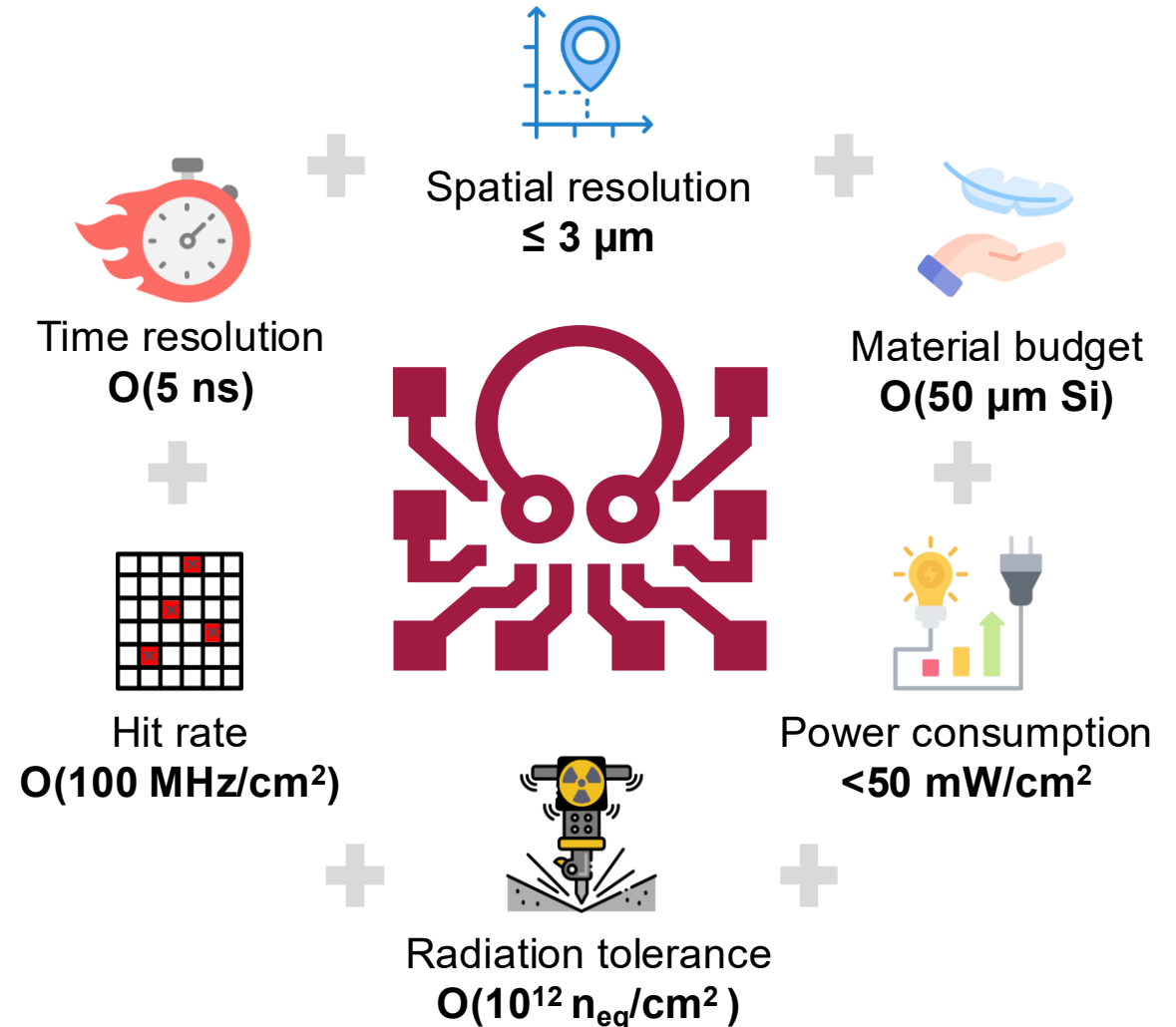
### Spatial resolution (analog)



# Summary

## Towards Lepton Collider Vertex Detector Demonstrator

- OCTOPUS aims to develop a MAPS **vertex sensor demonstrator** for future lepton colliders by 2030
- As an intermediate target envisions the development of a sensor for the **next-generation of beam telescopes**
- Builds on experience of **12 institutes** involved in MAPS development and related activities
- Is already well-structured into four workpackages and several activities are already **in progress**:
  - Simulation ongoing in order to define optimal sensor layout and pixel pitch
  - ASIC design effort for first prototype started
  - Review of previous main 65 nm MAPS measurements in preparation



# Thank you.



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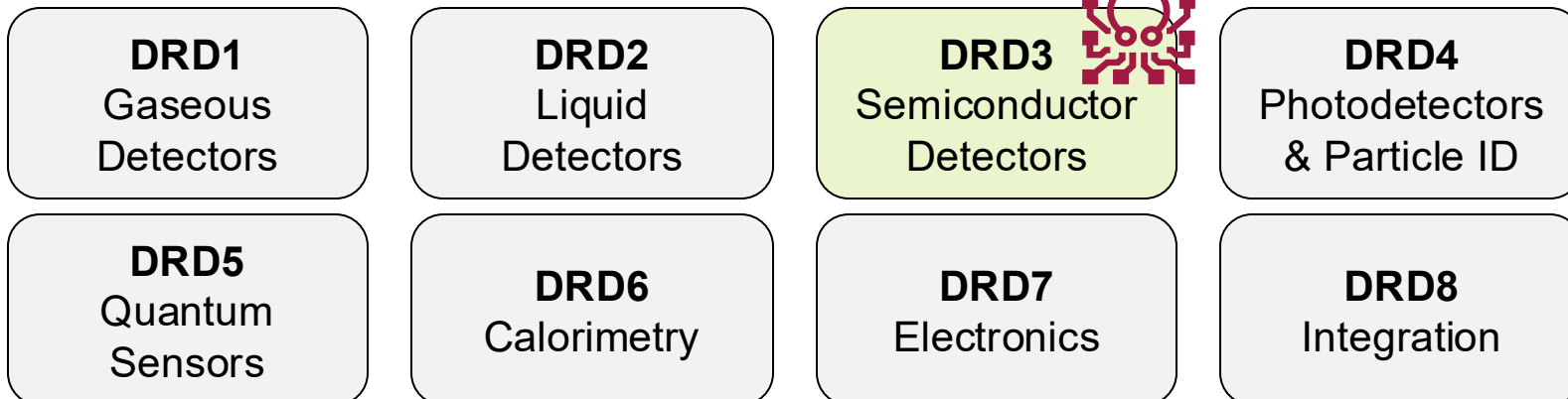


# Detector R&D for Future HEP Experiments



## Driven by ECFA Roadmap

- In 2020, the European Particle Physics Strategy Update (EPPSU) recommended the creation of a **roadmap for detector R&D**
- In 2021, **key R&D activities and technologies** defined by European Commission for Future Accelerators (ECFA)
- In 2022 CERN approved a roadmap implementation plan establishing eight Detector Research and Development **DRD collaborations**
- The **OCTOPUS** project develops in this context, within DRD3 collaboration (Semiconductor Detectors)



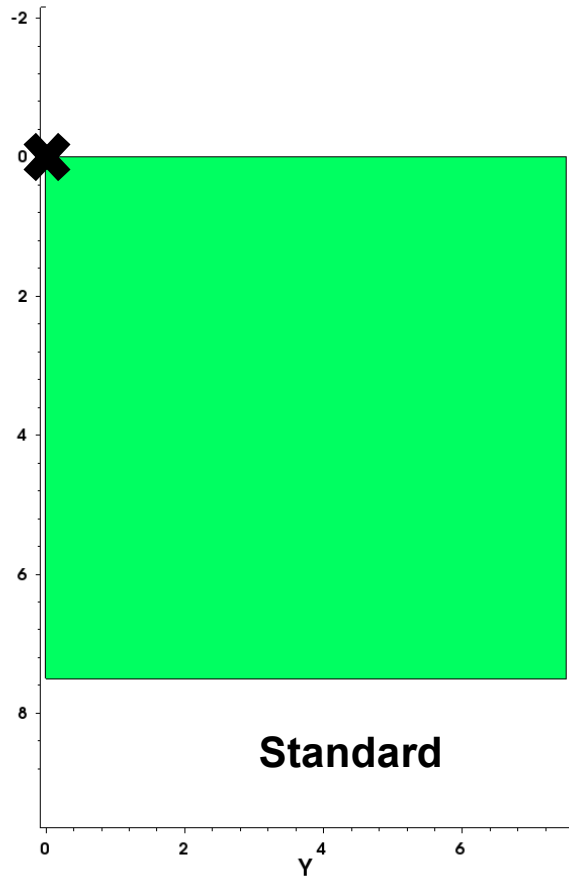
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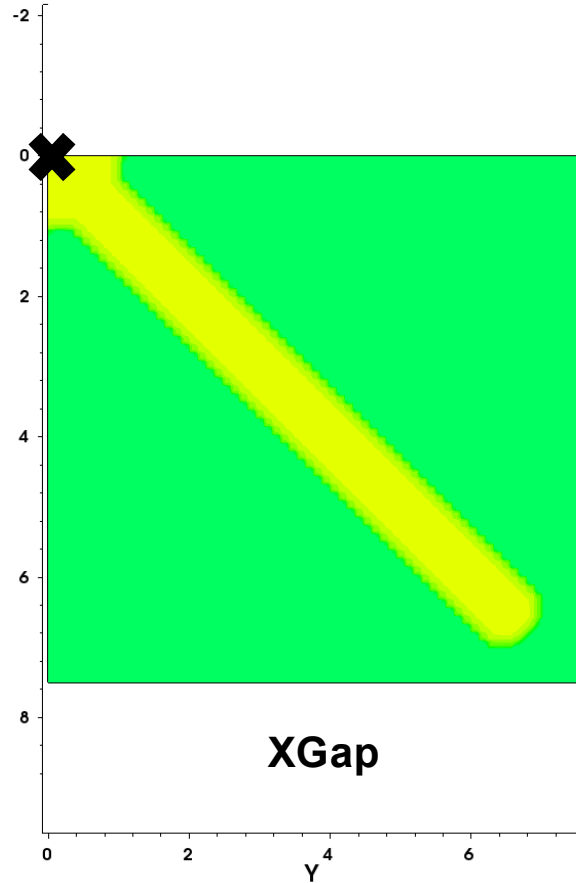
At 2 $\mu$ m Depth

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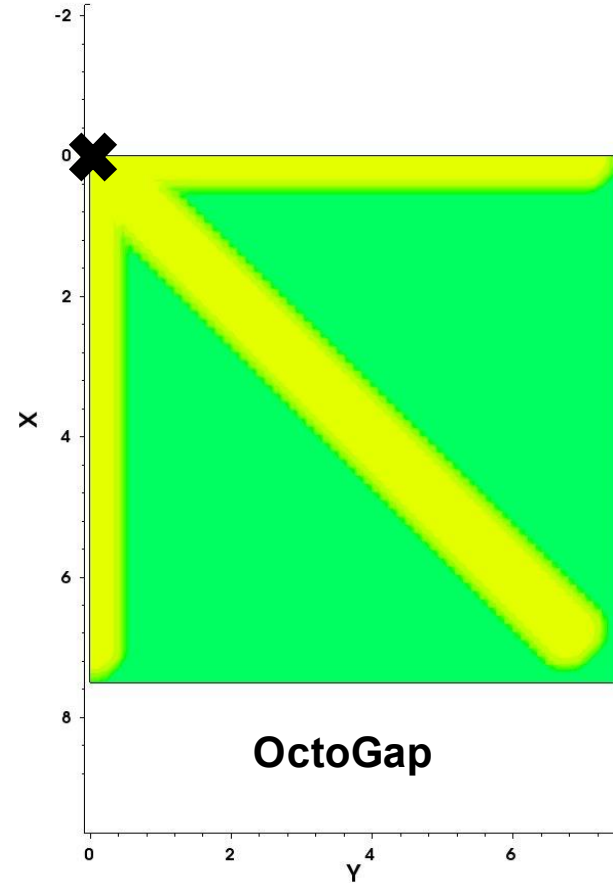
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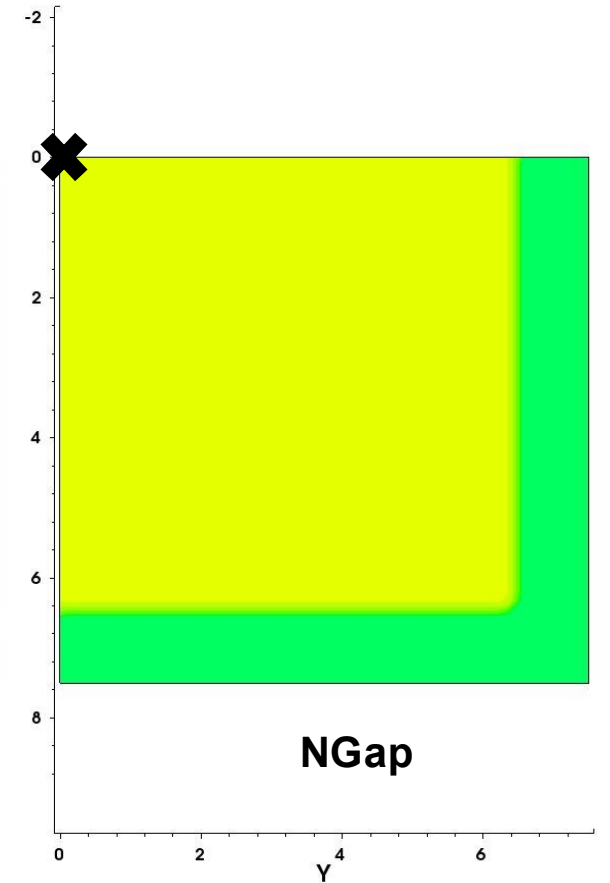
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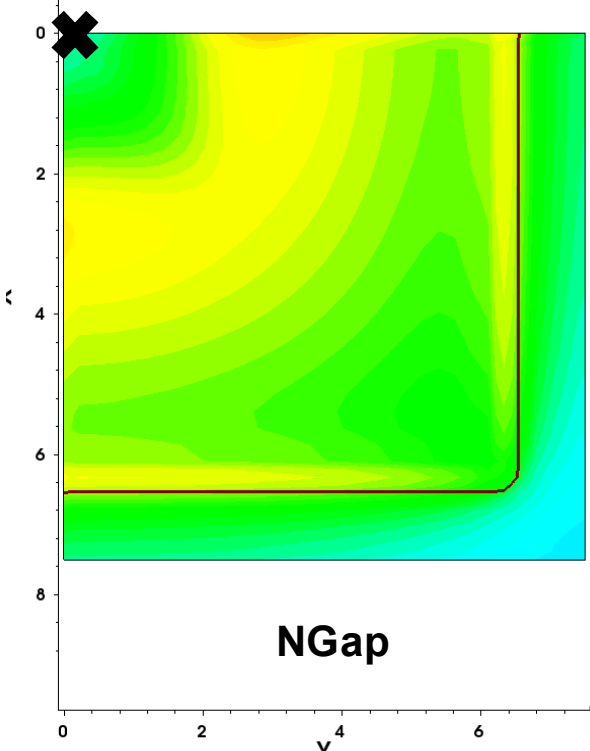
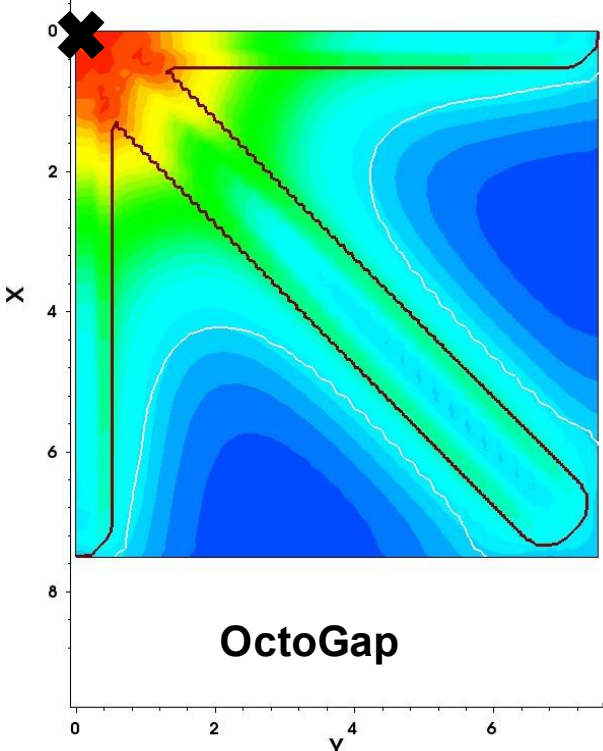
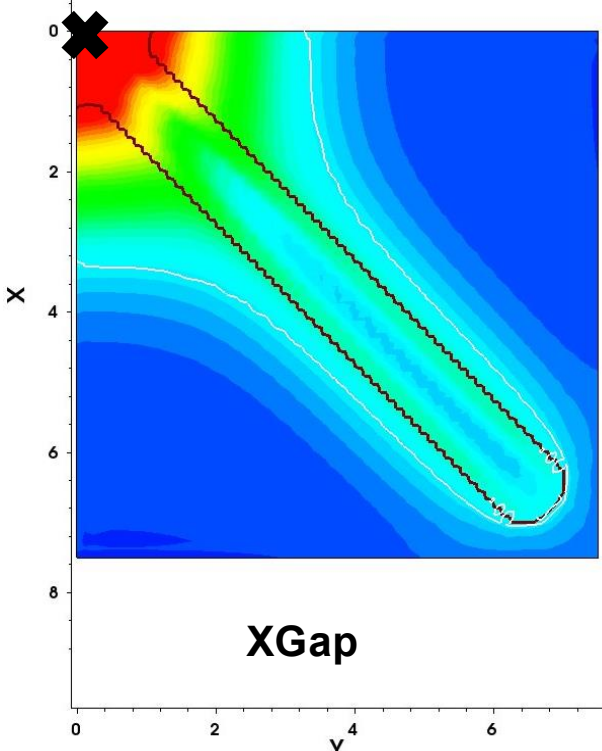
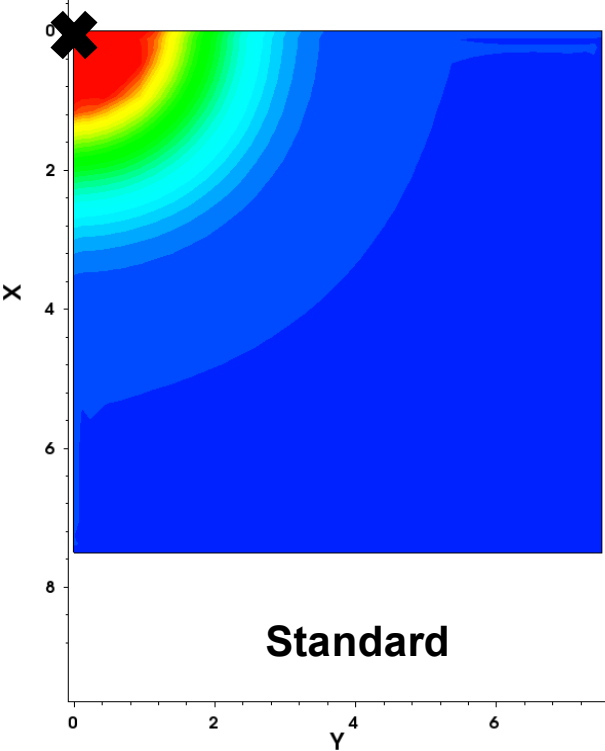
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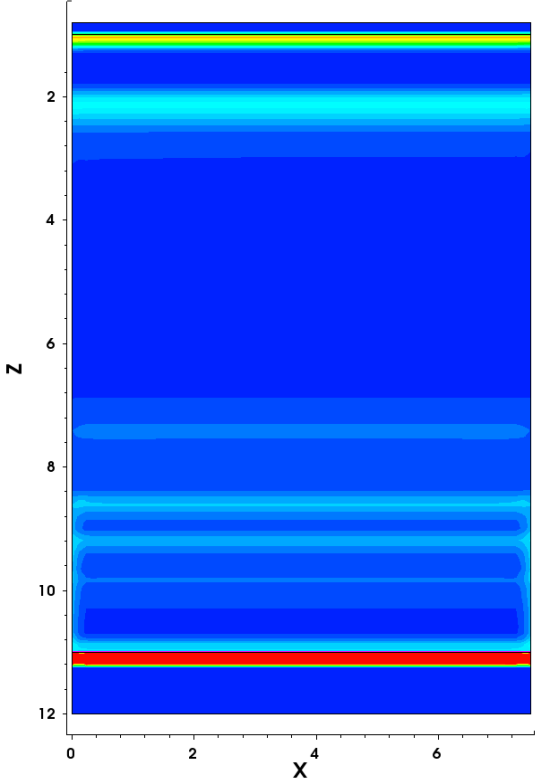
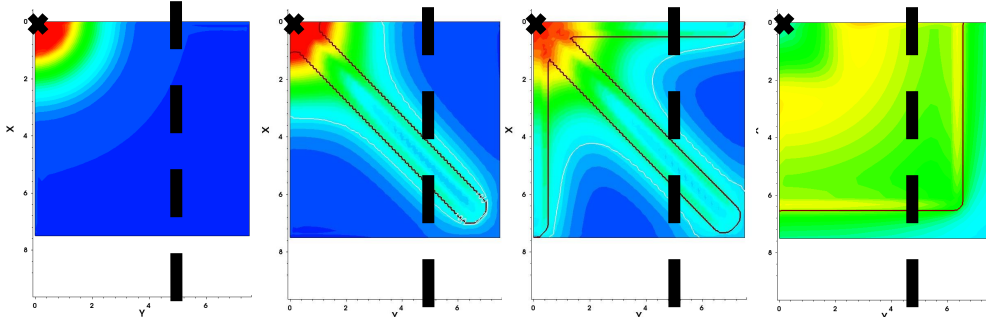
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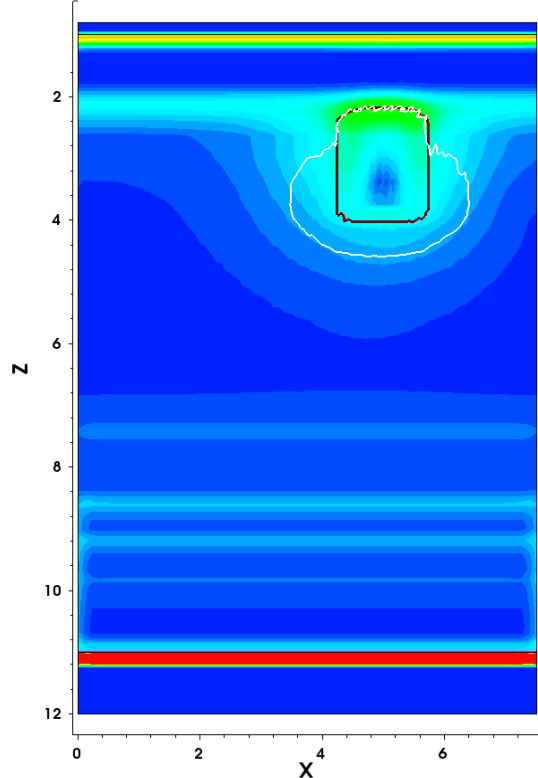


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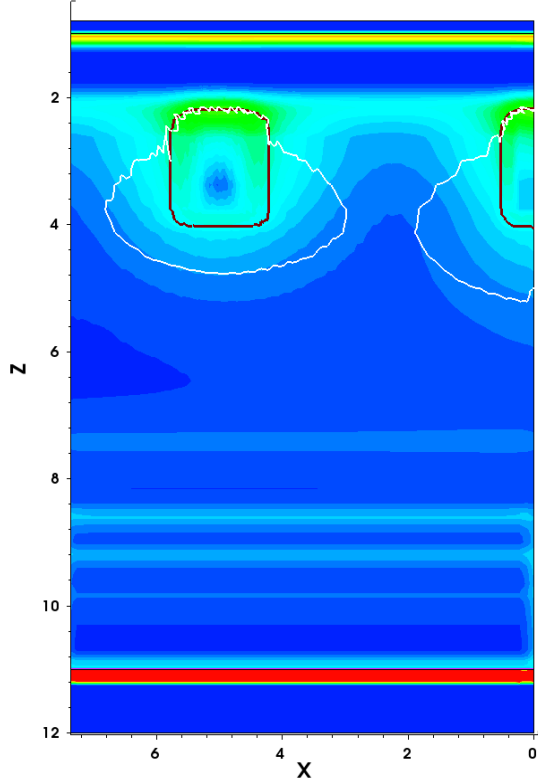
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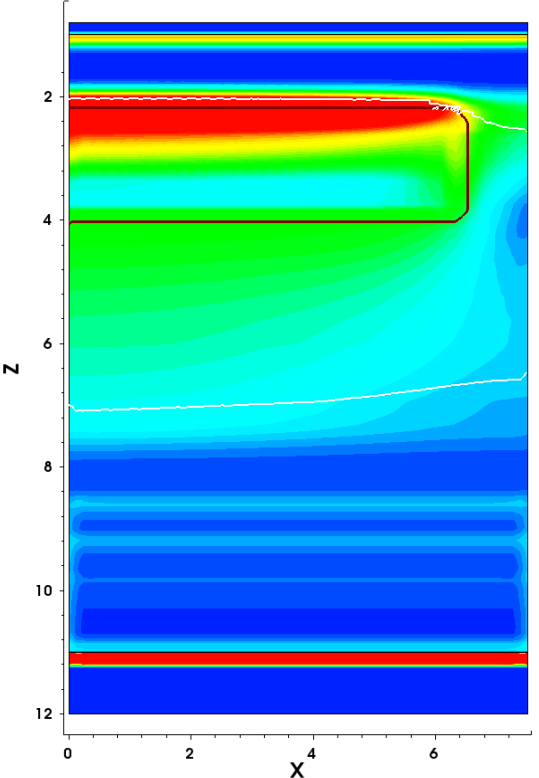
Standard



XGap



OctoGap



NGap

# OCTOPUS Project Structure

## Four Workpackages



### WP1: Simulations

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- TCAD simulations: sensor optimization
- Allpix<sup>2</sup> simulations: detector performance
- Contribution to Allpix<sup>2</sup> development
- Physics performance and geometry optimization



### WP2: ASIC

F. Guezzi, L. Huth, S. Senyukov

- Pixel front-end and matrix architecture design
- Periphery, DACs & slow control design
- Transceivers and readout design
- Chip integration and verifications
- Submission coordination & interface with DRD7



### WP3: Data Acquisition

Y. Otariid

- Chipboard design for prototypes & DAQ integration
- Chip/board assembly, bonding & logistics
- Contribution to Caribou development



### WP4: Testing & Characterization

F. King, M. Franks

- Summary of current TPSCo65 demonstrator results
- Lab characterization, FE optimization, calibration
- Testbeam characterization, performance



# First Prototype Concept

Design Effort Started

