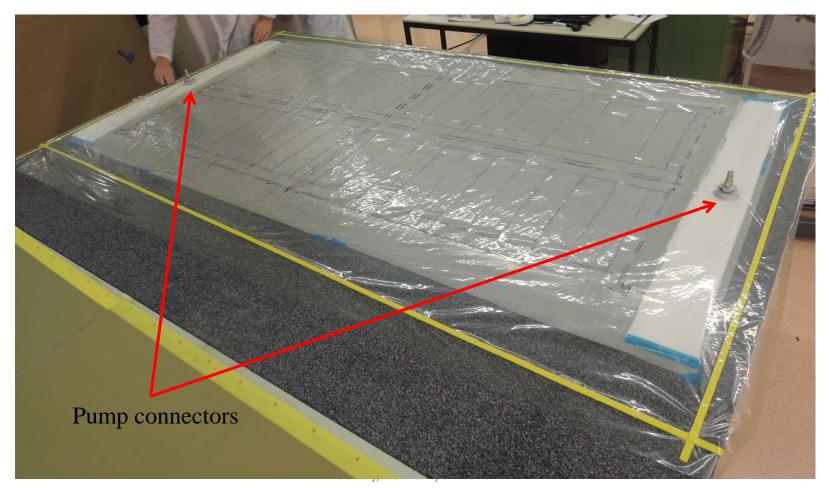
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Large size Micromegas chambers

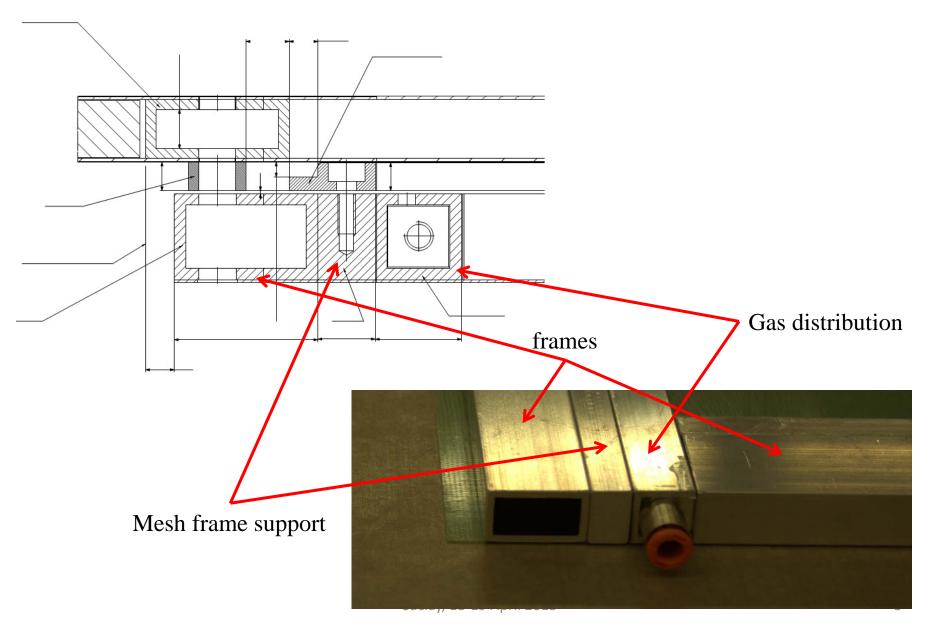
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Vacuum system

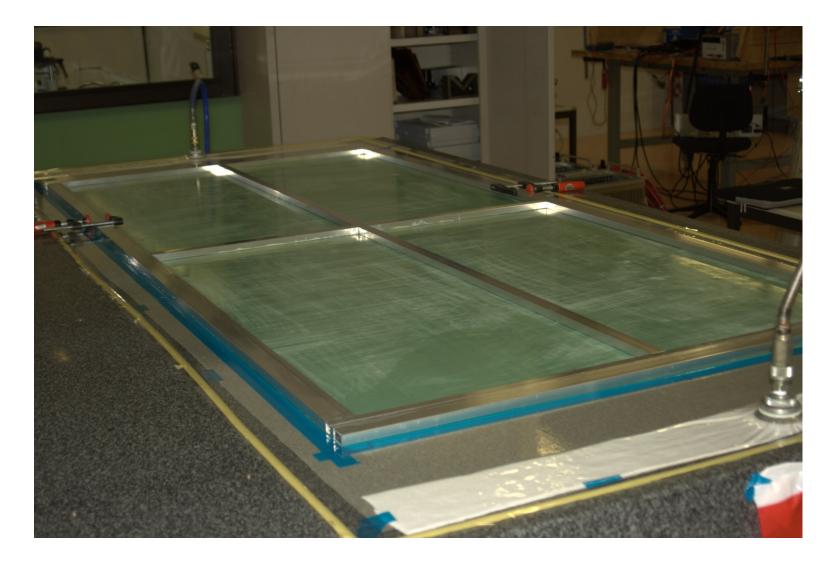
- On the 2.8 x 2.8 m² granite table was located thin plastic mesh for pressure distribution
- Covered with 175 μ m thick mylar foil with ø3 mm holes



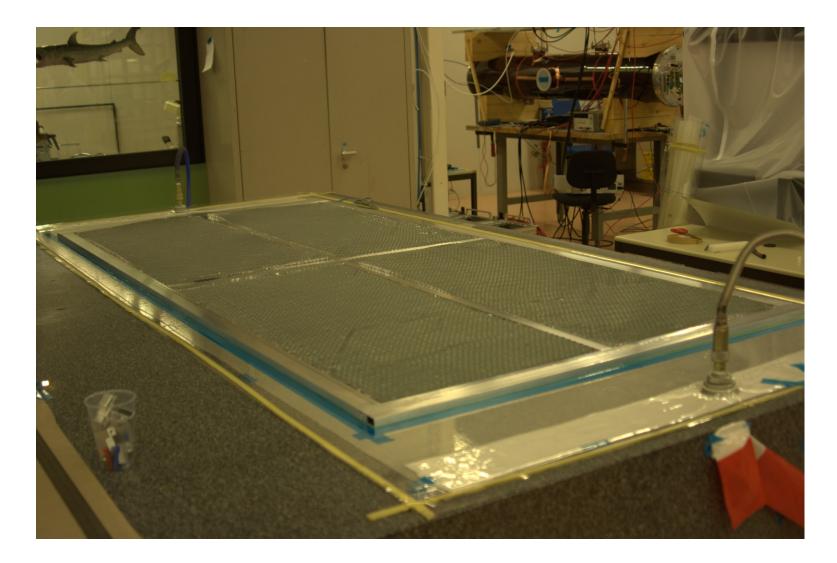
L3 – Sketch-up



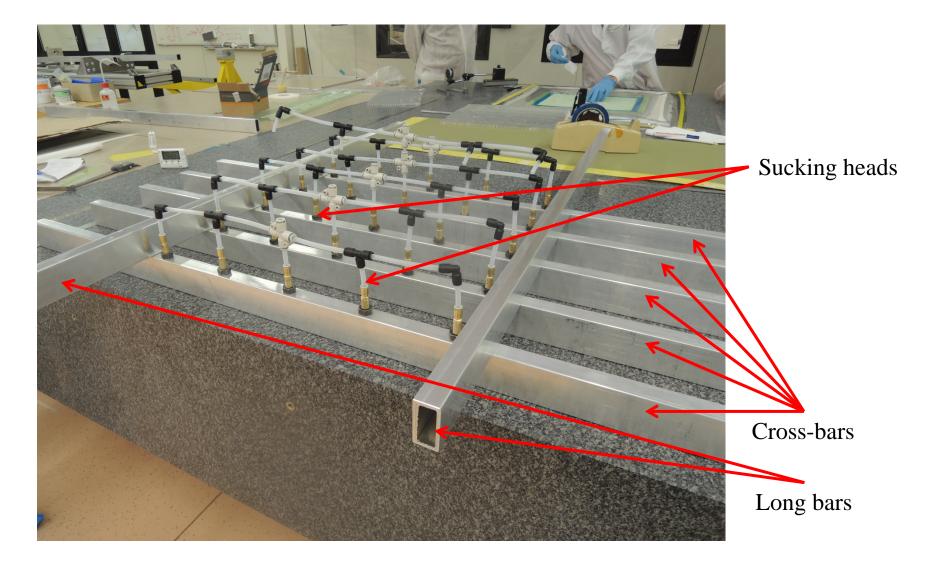
Drift panel preparation – first skin



Drift panel preparation – honeycomb

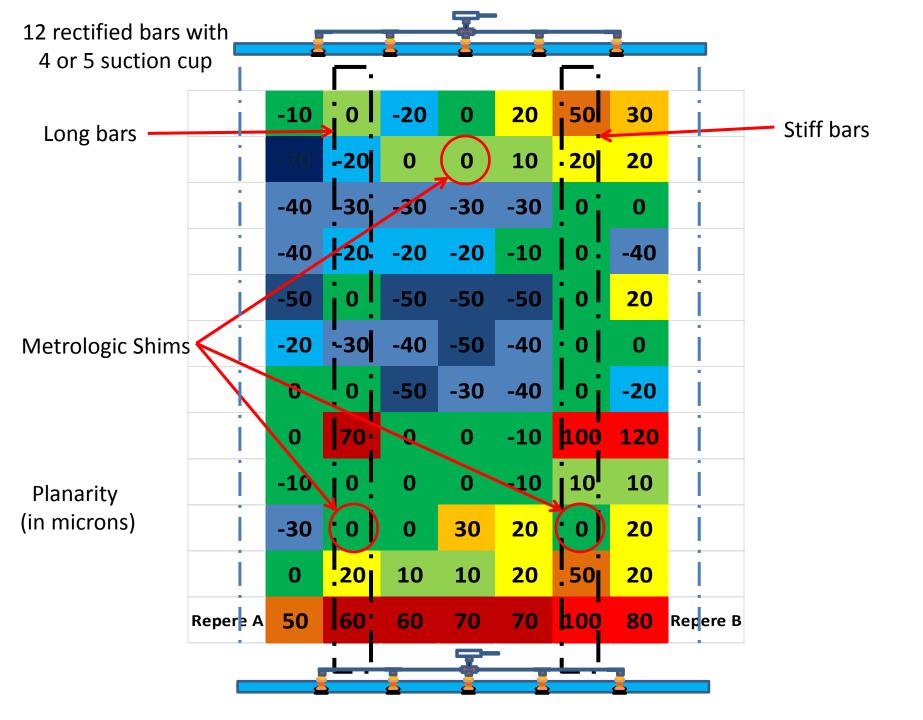


Drift panel preparation – stiff-back

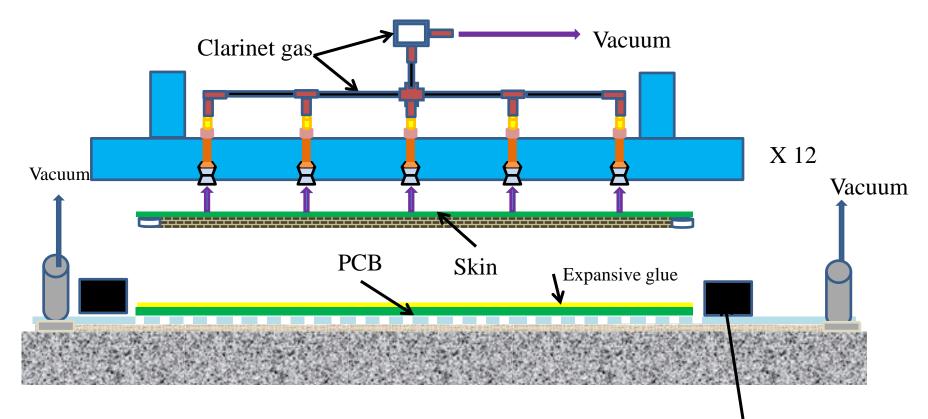


Drift panel preparation – stiff-back

- 30x50 mm cross-bars 1.2 m
- 50x80 mm long bars 2.5 m
- Glued with Araldite 2011
- 4-5 sucking heads per bar

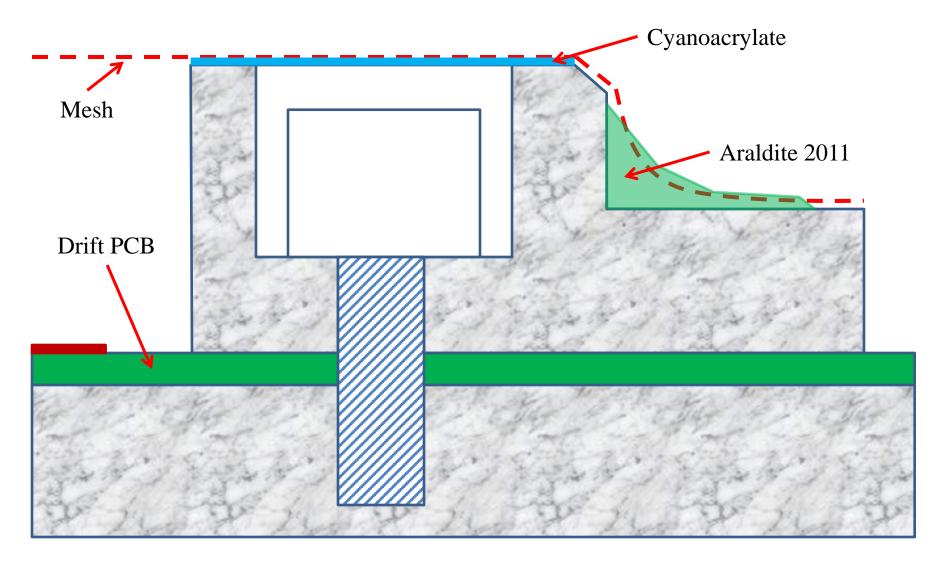






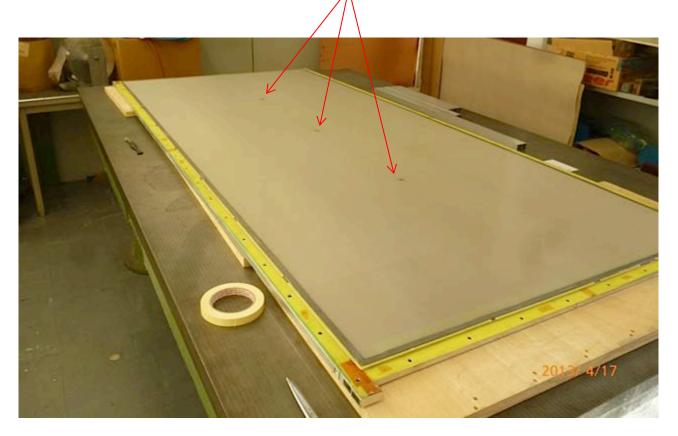
Precise shim

Drift panel preparation – Mesh frame

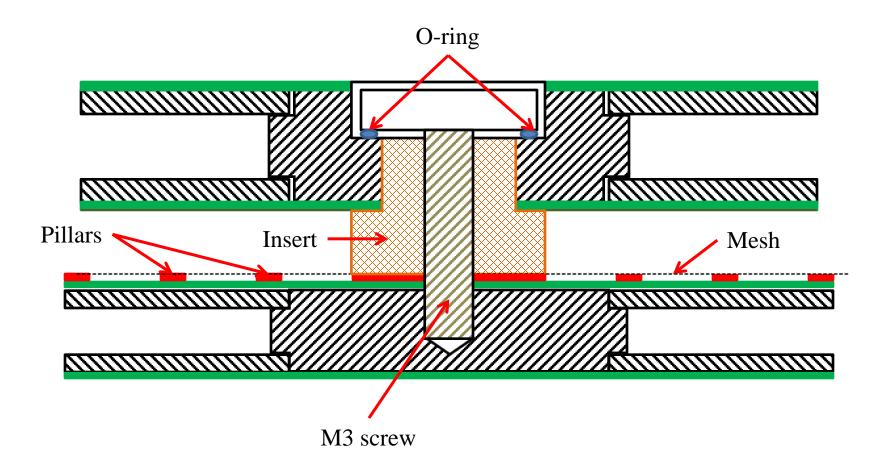


Drift panel preparation – Mesh

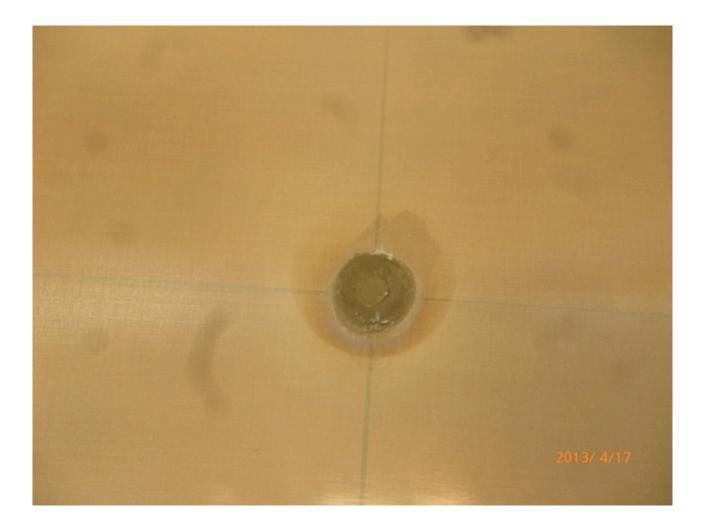
- 5 mm thick Aluminum frame mounted on the panel
- Mesh stretched and glued on the frame
- 3 special inserts for drift/read-out panel interconnection



Drift panel preparation – Inserts (1)



Drift panel preparation – Inserts (2)



Drift panel preparation – Inserts (3)

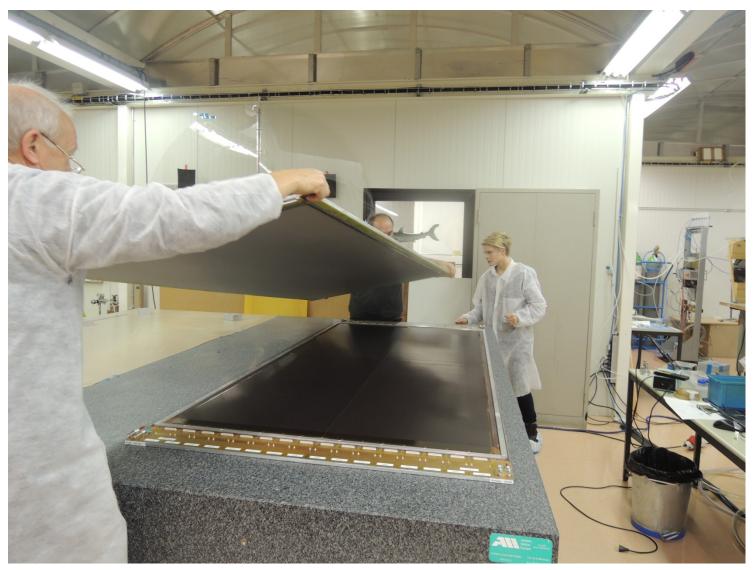


Read-out panel

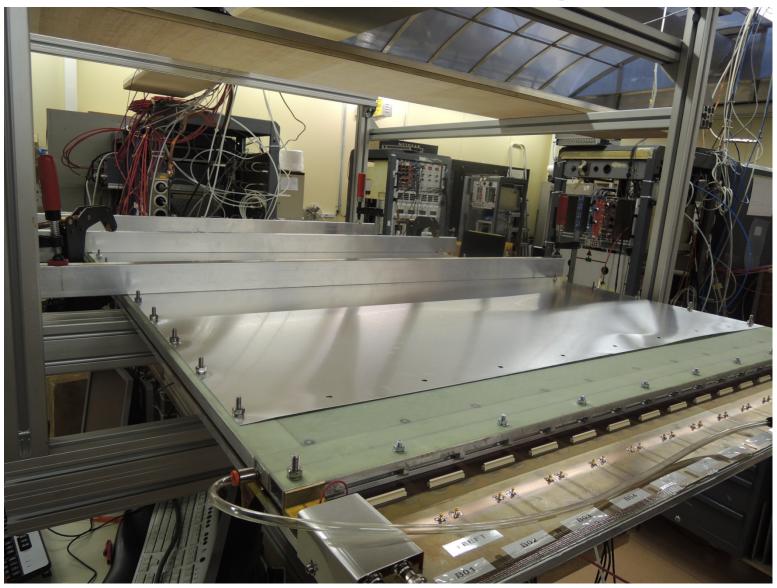
- 0.5 mm thick FR4 external skin
- 10 mm thick Aluminum honeycomb
- External Aluminum frames



Chamber assembling



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Problems

- Due to the deformation of the stiff-back structure the distance between the PCB and the "half" panel was not correctly defined and problems appeared with the gluing. Along of the external Al frame and in some small areas also in the central parts of the PCB the glue is not attached correctly
- We found gas leak in the drift panel of L2 chamber. In the new drift panels the gas leak problem has been solved. The drift "old" panel of the L2 chamber will be replaced next week