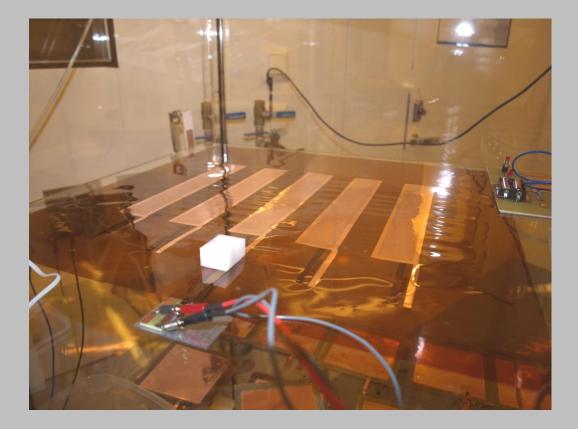
LEAKAGE CURRENT MEASUREMENT SETUP





STATUS AND OUTCOME OF THE LEAKAGE CURRENT MEASUREMENTS at HIP 14.2.2013

- so far 5 double mask foils (each containing 5 GEMs) measured
- we have used the same approval criterion as with the GEMs in the TOTEM T2 telescope at LHC i.e. I < 0.5 nA @ 500 V > 30 min.
- results: all 25 GEMs passed OK
- only 2 sparks observed, both within the same GEM: see the graph next page along with a typical graph behavior
- problems encountered: some foils originally contained too much humidity resulting in too high leakage current values. Remedy: 1 day heat treatment at 35 °C in the oven.
- still to measure: 1 single mask foil with 5 GEMs.

