

# Heavily irradiated thin n-in-p planar pixel sensors & status of the new common RD50 productions

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## Tested modules

### VTT active/slim edges:

- ▶ FE-I3 modules 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (125  $\mu\text{m}$  edge, p-type FZ)
- ▶ FE-I4 modules 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (450  $\mu\text{m}$  edge, p-type FZ)
- ▶ FE-I4 modules 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (450  $\mu\text{m}$  edge, p-type FZ)

### CiS production:

- ▶ FE-I4 modules 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (450  $\mu\text{m}$  edge, p-type FZ)
- ▶ FE-I4 modules 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (450  $\mu\text{m}$  edge, p-type FZ)

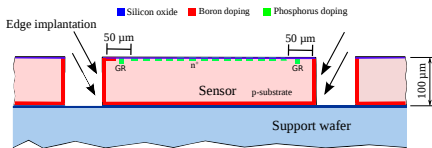
### Irradiations:

- $5 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  at KIT + Ljubljana (reactor neutrons)
- $5 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  at KIT (25 MeV protons)
- $6 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  at KIT + Ljubljana (reactor neutrons)

### Irradiations:

- $7 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  in Los Alamos (800 MeV protons)
- $14 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  in Los Alamos (800 MeV protons)

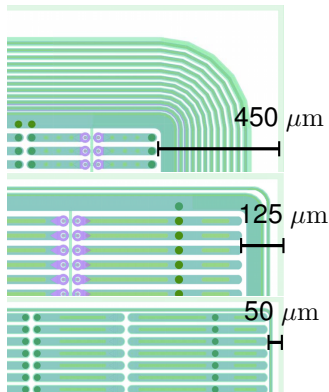
# The VTT active/slim edge production



Trenches doped by four-quadrant implantation

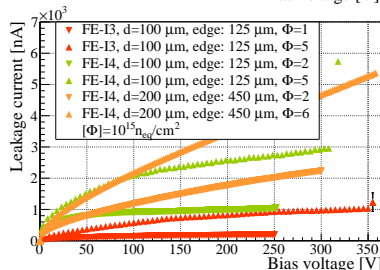
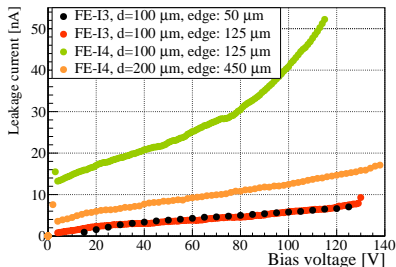
## ► Different edge designs:

- 450  $\mu\text{m}$  distance between the last pixel implant and the slim edge (Bias Ring (BR) and 11 Guard Rings (GR))
- 125  $\mu\text{m}$  distance between the last pixel implant and the slim edge (only 1 BR and 1 floating GR)
- 50  $\mu\text{m}$  distance between the last pixel implant and the active edge (only 1 floating GR)



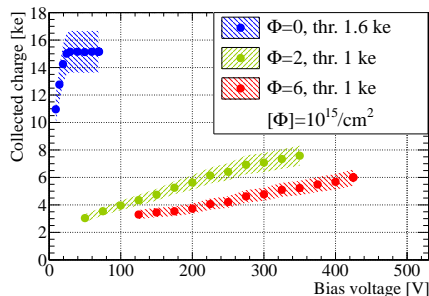
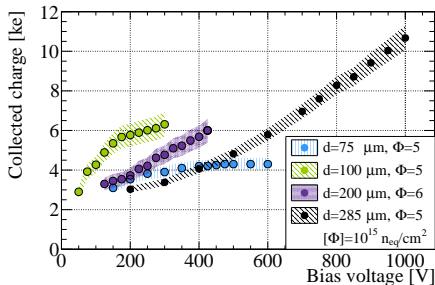
# IV curves

- ▶ Before irradiation:
  - ▶ depletion voltage 10-15 V
  - ▶ breakdown 100-140 V
  
- ▶ After irradiation:
  - ▶ the breakdown voltage of the active edge modules after  $5 \times 10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$  is above the saturation voltage



# Charge collection

- ▶  $^{90}\text{Sr}$  beta electrons (Cd and Am  $\gamma$  sources used as reference)
- ▶ VTT FE-I4 FZ silicon 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick
- ▶ 450  $\mu\text{m}$  slim edge with GRs
- ▶ **40% CCE** at 425 V  
at  $6 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



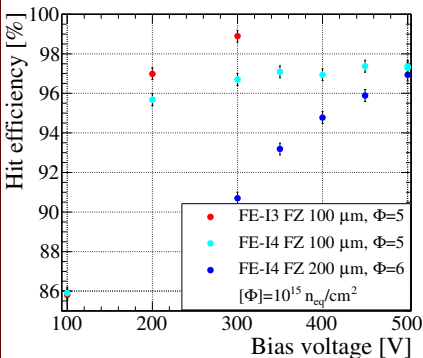
At  $\Phi=5-6 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick devices are still under depleted up to 425 V

while the collected charge of 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick sensors saturates already at 200 V



# Hit efficiency summary

## Beam test measurements at DESY with the EUDET telescope



### ▶ VTT FE-I3 100 $\mu\text{m}$

- ▶  $\Phi=5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶  $(99.0 \pm 0.3)\%$  global hit efficiency at  $V_{\text{bias}}=300 \text{ V}$  (125  $\mu\text{m}$  edge)

### ▶ VTT FE-I4 100 $\mu\text{m}$

- ▶  $\Phi=5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶  $(97.0 \pm 0.3)\%$  global hit efficiency at  $V_{\text{bias}}=500 \text{ V}$

### ▶ VTT FE-I4 200 $\mu\text{m}$

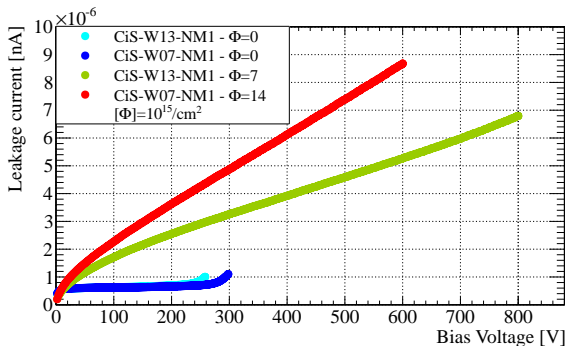
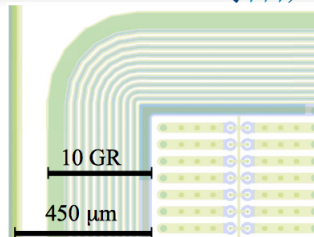
- ▶  $\Phi=6 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶  $(96.9 \pm 0.3)\%$  global hit efficiency at  $V_{\text{bias}}=500 \text{ V}$

200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick sensors need higher  $V_{\text{bias}}$  for the hit efficiency to saturate with respect to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick sensors  $\rightarrow$  consistent with CCE results



## CiS production

- ▶ 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick n-in-p pixel sensors produced at CiS on 4 inch FZ silicon wafers
- ▶ Bump-bonded on ATLAS FE-I4 chips at IZM
- ▶ Spark protection with 3  $\mu\text{m}$  layer of patterned BCB deposited on the sensor surface at IZM
- ▶ GR structure with 450  $\mu\text{m}$  inactive edge



Irradiated in Los Alamos at  $7$  and  $14 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  (as measured in  $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$  Al foil centered on the beam):

- ▶ breakdown before irradiation over 200 V
- ▶ no breakdown after irradiation up to 800 V

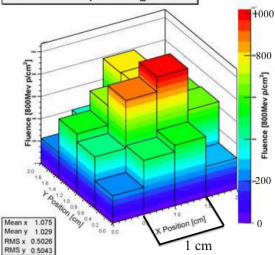


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- ▶ Threshold 1.6 ke
- ▶ Tuning: 6 ToT to 4 ke
- ▶ Beam spot structure observable in many scans during the tuning
- ▶ Acceptable tuning after a very inhomogeneous fluence

### Beam spot structure at Los Alamos

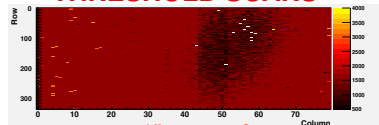
Dec 2012 Beam Spot: matrix\_foil slot12



X FWHM  
 $\sim 1.5 - 2 \text{ cm}$

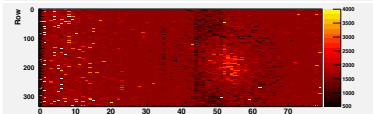
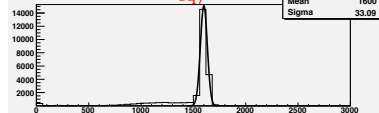
Y FWHM  
 $\sim 0.5 - 1 \text{ cm}$

### THRESHOLD SCANS



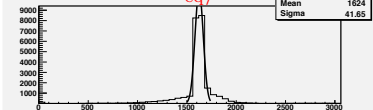
$\Phi = 7 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$

Constant	1.509e+004
Mean	1600
Sigma	33.09



$\Phi = 14 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$

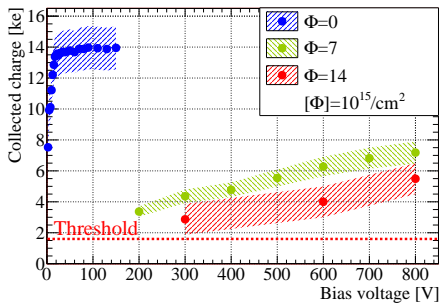
Constant	1.084e+004
Mean	1624
Sigma	41.65







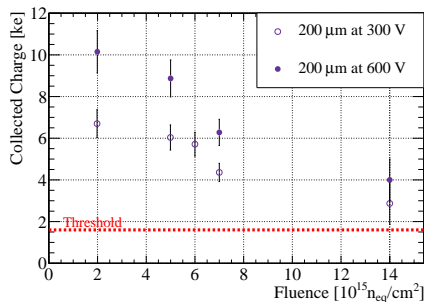
# Charge collection



► Larger uncertainties at high fluence:

- higher uncertainty in the calibration at lower ToT
- effect of the not uniform irradiation
- bias introduced by the threshold at low values of the collected charge

- $^{90}\text{Sr}$  beta electrons  
(Cd and Am  $\gamma$  sources used as reference)
- Threshold 1.6 ke
- Only region of central beam spot considered in the analysis

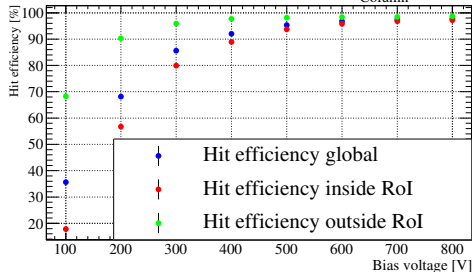
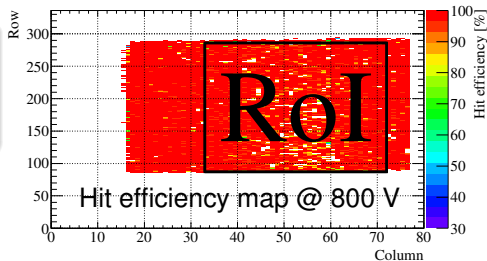
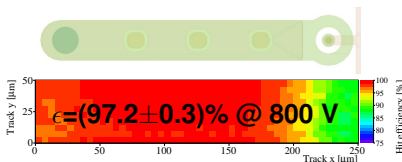




# Hit efficiency

**FE-I4, 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick  
irradiated to  
 $\Phi=7 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  in Los  
Alamos**

- ▶ Threshold: 1.6 ke
- ▶ Hit efficiency at 800 V
  - ▶ global:  $(97.8 \pm 0.3)\%$
  - ▶ inside RoI:  $(97.2 \pm 0.3)\%$
  - ▶ outside RoI:  $(98.7 \pm 0.3)\%$

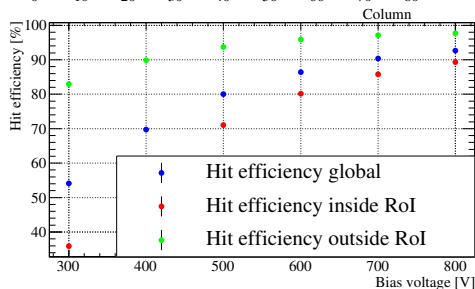
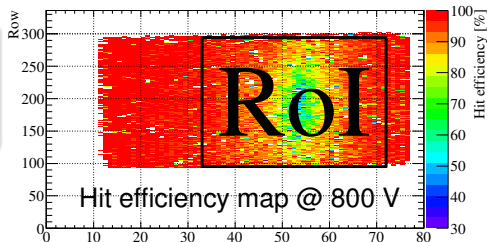
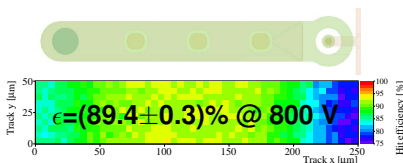




# Hit efficiency

**FE-14, 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick  
irradiated to  
 $\Phi=14 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  in Los  
Alamos**

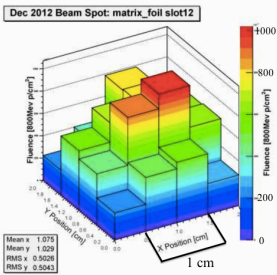
- ▶ Threshold: 1.6 ke
- ▶ Hit efficiency at 800 V
  - ▶ global:  $(92.8 \pm 0.3)\%$
  - ▶ inside RoI:  $(89.4 \pm 0.3)\%$
  - ▶ outside RoI:  $(97.8 \pm 0.3)\%$





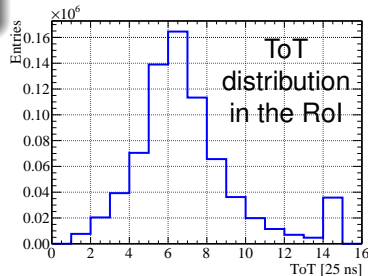
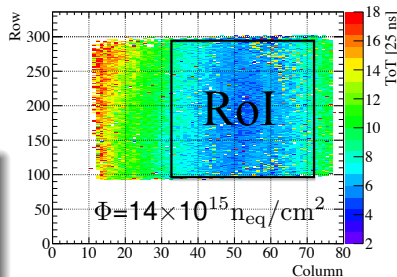
# Average ToT from test beam

- ▶ The map of the average ToT over the module surface shows clearly the different irradiation levels



Module still operational even after this highly inhomogeneous irradiation.

- ▶ ToT distribution in agreement with laboratory measurements
  - ▶ Threshold 1.6 ke
  - ▶ 6 ToT to 4 ke
  - ▶  $V_{\text{bias}}=800\text{ V}$



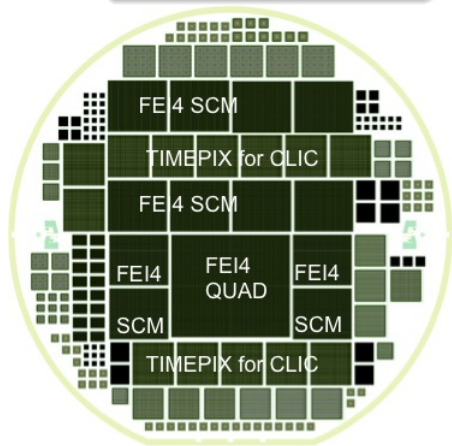
## 2nd production of active edge pixels at ADVACAM

- ▶ In collaboration with Glasgow, Göttingen, LAL, CLIC CERN-LCD, Geneva University for medical applications

### RD50 common project

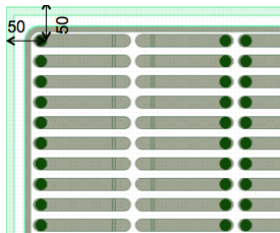
- ▶ **50, 100, 150  $\mu\text{m}$  thick sensors (5 FZ p-type wafers for each thickness):**
  - ▶ FE-I4 quad sensors
  - ▶ FE-I4 single chip sensors with different geometries
  - ▶ Omegapix sensors
  - ▶ TIMEPIX sensors for CLIC R&D
  - ▶ CLICpix sensors for CLIC R&D
  - ▶ pixel and strip structures for medical applications

**Active edge** process for all the structures

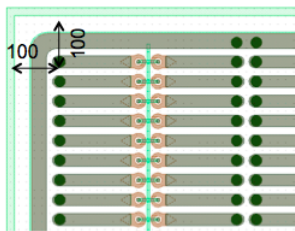


# FE-I4 Single Chip Modules

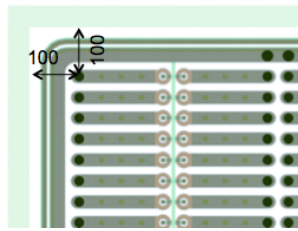
Pixels and diodes with different edges to investigate post-irradiation breakdown properties



FE-I4  
50  $\mu\text{m}$  edge  
one Guard Ring,  
no punch-through  
structures



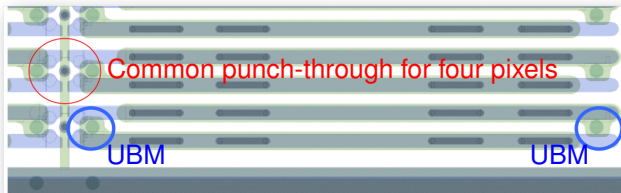
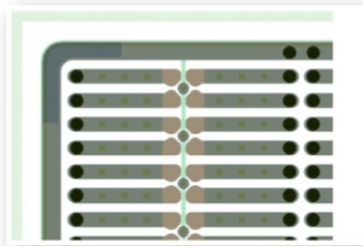
FE-I4  
100  $\mu\text{m}$  edge  
Bias Ring  
punch-through  
structures



FE-I4  
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Bias Ring + Guard Ring  
punch-through  
structures

# Improvement of the punch-through structure design

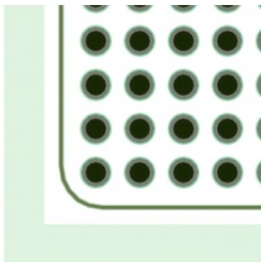
- ▶ Redesign of the FE-I4 sensor with a punch-through structure every four pixels  $\rightarrow$  decrease of the inefficient region
- ▶ Reduced space occupied by this biasing scheme allows for its application to  $25 \times 500 \mu\text{m}^2$  pixels
- ▶ Interconnected to FE-I4 chips, used to study resolution at the pitch foreseen for inner pixel layers at HL-LHC



## Other sensor designs for the inner layers

### Possible example of planar pixel sensor for small pitches

- ▶ Timepix sensor designed in n-in-p technology for CLIC R&D  
→ possible example of geometry of a sensor to be attached to future chip with  $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$
- ▶ Sensor of a previous production with this bump-structure already interconnected at ADVACAM

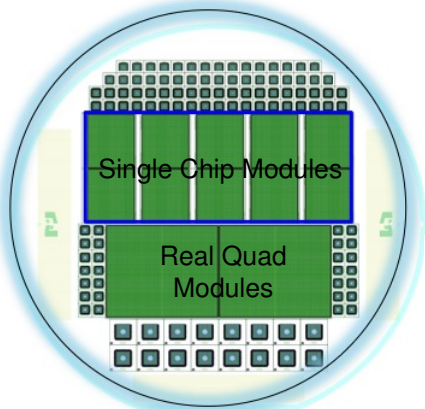


Timepix active edge sensor for CLIC  
R&D:  $55 \times 55 \mu\text{m}^2$ , edge =  $50 \mu\text{m}$

- ▶ Implant  $30 \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ Aluminum  $40 \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ UBM  $25 \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ Passivation  $20 \mu\text{m}$

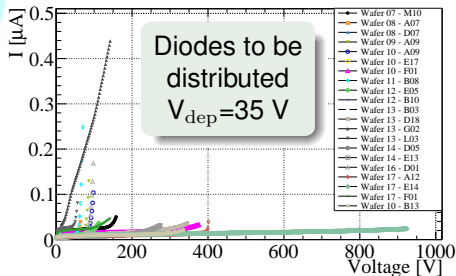


# N-in-p FE-I4 sensors on 6 inch wafers at CiS



**RD50 common production**  
meant to supply diodes for  
defect characterization

- ▶ First 6 inch production at CiS
- ▶ 6 inch wafers on p-type FZ material, 16 k $\Omega$  cm, 270  $\mu$ m thick
- ▶ 16 wafers delivered, acceptable quality
- ▶ BCB and UBM deposition under way at IZM in this moment
- ▶ To be interconnected to FE-I4 chips



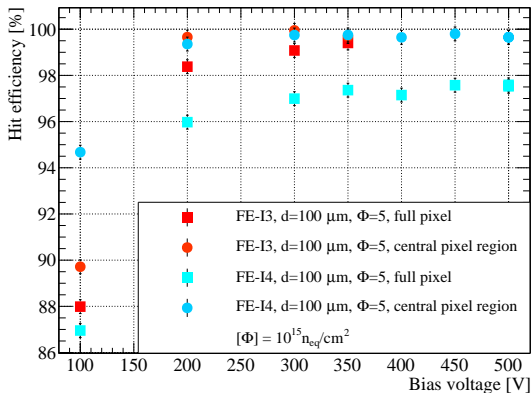
## Conclusions and outlook

- ▶ Excellent performance of thin pixels with active edge sensors demonstrated before and after irradiation up to a fluence of  $5 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶ Studies performed with 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick n-in-p sensors up to a fluence of  $14 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ 
  - ▶ modules are still functional after a very inhomogeneous irradiation
- ▶ More VTT active edge and CiS modules have been irradiated in Ljubljana and will be characterized soon:
  - ▶ VTT FE-I3 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thin FZ silicon with 50  $\mu\text{m}$  active edge (no BR, only 1 floating GR)  $\rightarrow 2 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
  - ▶ VTT FE-I4 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thin MCz silicon  $\rightarrow 10 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
  - ▶ CiS FE-I4 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thin FZ silicon  $\rightarrow 10 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶ More productions on 6 inch wafers at CiS are foreseen on thin substrates in 2015

# BACKUP SLIDES

# VTT: comparison of FE-I3 and FE-I4 performances

- ▶ The Punch Through (PT) is the main inefficiency region after irradiation
- ▶ It occupies a bigger fraction of the pixel cell in the FE-I4 than in the FE-I3
- ▶ In the central region, excluding the PT, FE-I3 and FE-I4 pixel modules with 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick sensors achieve the same hit efficiency.



FE-I4 ( $250 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ )

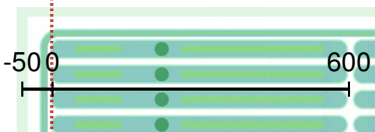
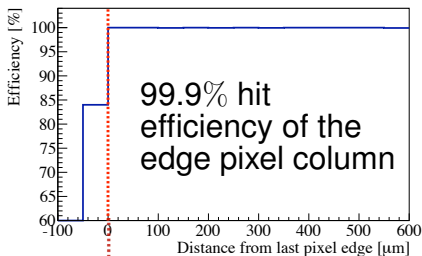


FE-I3 ( $400 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ )



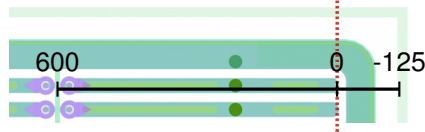
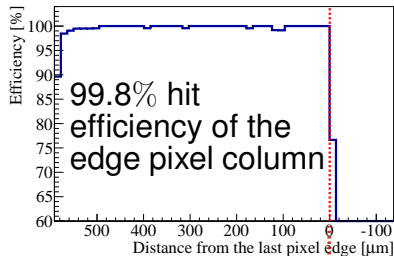
# VTT: edge efficiency before irradiation (CERN SpS)

## VTT FE-I3, 50 $\mu\text{m}$ active edge



**$84_{-14}^{+9}\%$**  hit efficiency between the last pixel implant and the active edge

## VTT FE-I3, 125 $\mu\text{m}$ slim edge



**$77 \pm 1\%$**  hit efficiency between the last pixel implant and the Bias Ring

# VTT: edge efficiency after irradiation

## FE-13, 125 $\mu\text{m}$ slim edge

- ▶ not irradiated
- ▶ threshold: 1500  $e^-$
- ▶ **(77 $\pm$ 1)%** hit efficiency between the last pixel implant and the BR (CERN SpS, 120 GeV pions)
- ▶  $\Phi=5\times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- ▶  $V_{\text{bias}}=300\text{ V}$
- ▶ threshold: 1500  $e^-$
- ▶ **(59 $\pm$ 2)%** hit efficiency between the last pixel implant and the BR (DESY, 4 GeV electrons)

