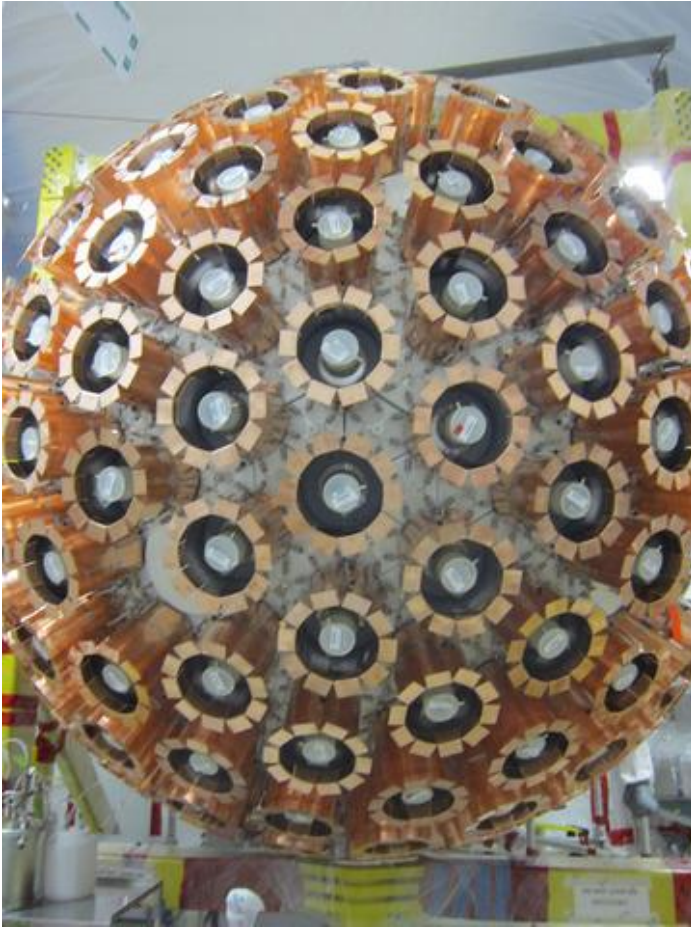


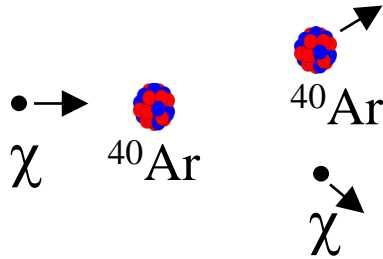
DEAP-3600 Dark Matter Search at SNOLAB



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DEAP-3600 Dark Matter Search

Liquid Argon for DM (Single-phase)



Scattered nucleus detected via scintillation in LA

Good Pulse-shape discrimination between β/γ and nuclear recoils with scintillation

Argon is **easy to purify**

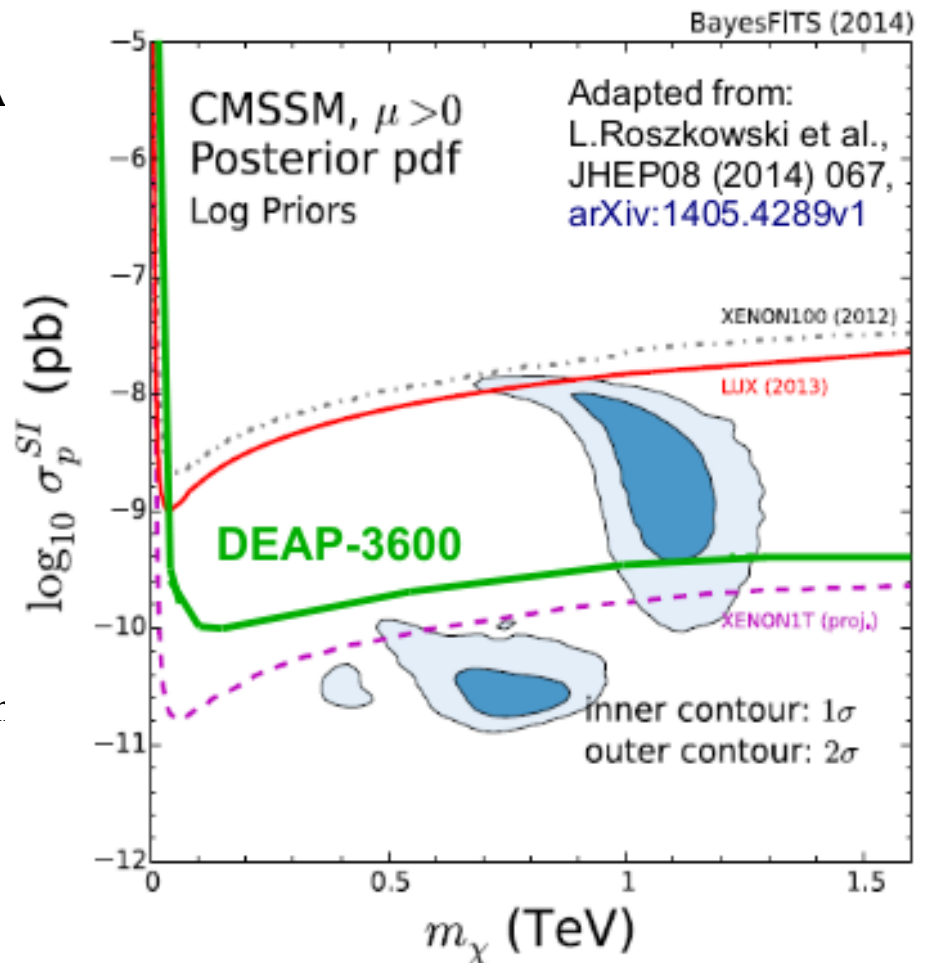
Very large target masses possible, no absorption of UV scintillation photons in argon, no pileup until beyond tonne-scale

Position reconstruction allows surface background removal, based on photon detector (~ 5 cm resolution allows removal of radon daughter events from analysis)

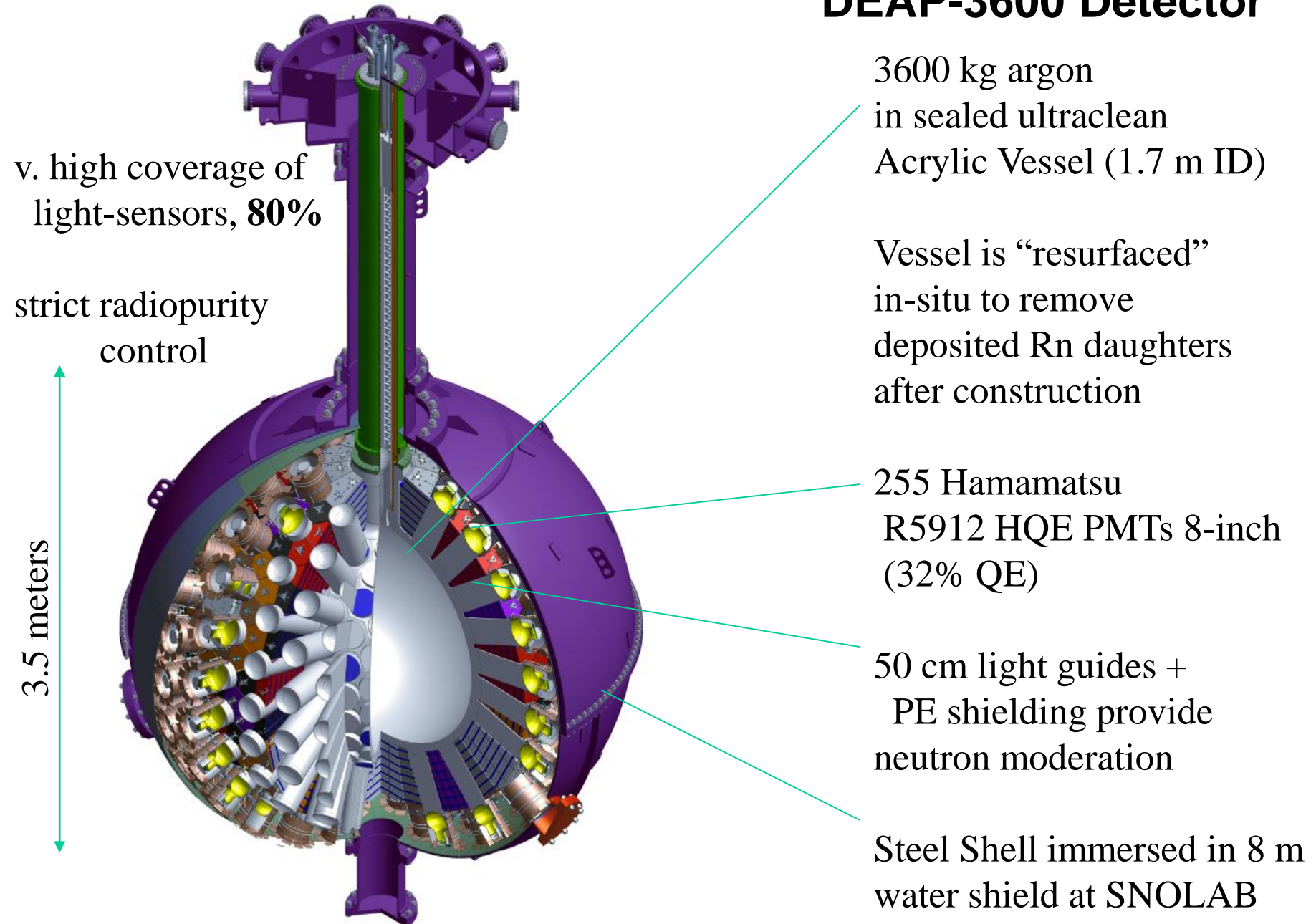
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DM Sensitivity

1 tonne fiducial mass (3.6 tonnes total) designed for < 0.2 background events/year with 60 keVr threshold



DEAP-3600 Detector





DEAP Collaboration: 65 researchers in Canada, UK, and Mexico



Fabrication and Assay of DEAP Acrylic

- Fabrication from pure MMA monomer at RPTAsia (Thailand), strict control of radon exposure for all steps, to $< 10^{-20}$ g/g ^{210}Pb (RPT was fabricator of the SNO Acrylic Vessel)
- Assay of production acrylic $< 2.2 \times 10^{-19}$ g/g ^{210}Pb
(Corina Nantais M.Sc. Thesis 2014, < 0.2 bkg events/3 years)



Monomer cast at RPT Asia, 2010

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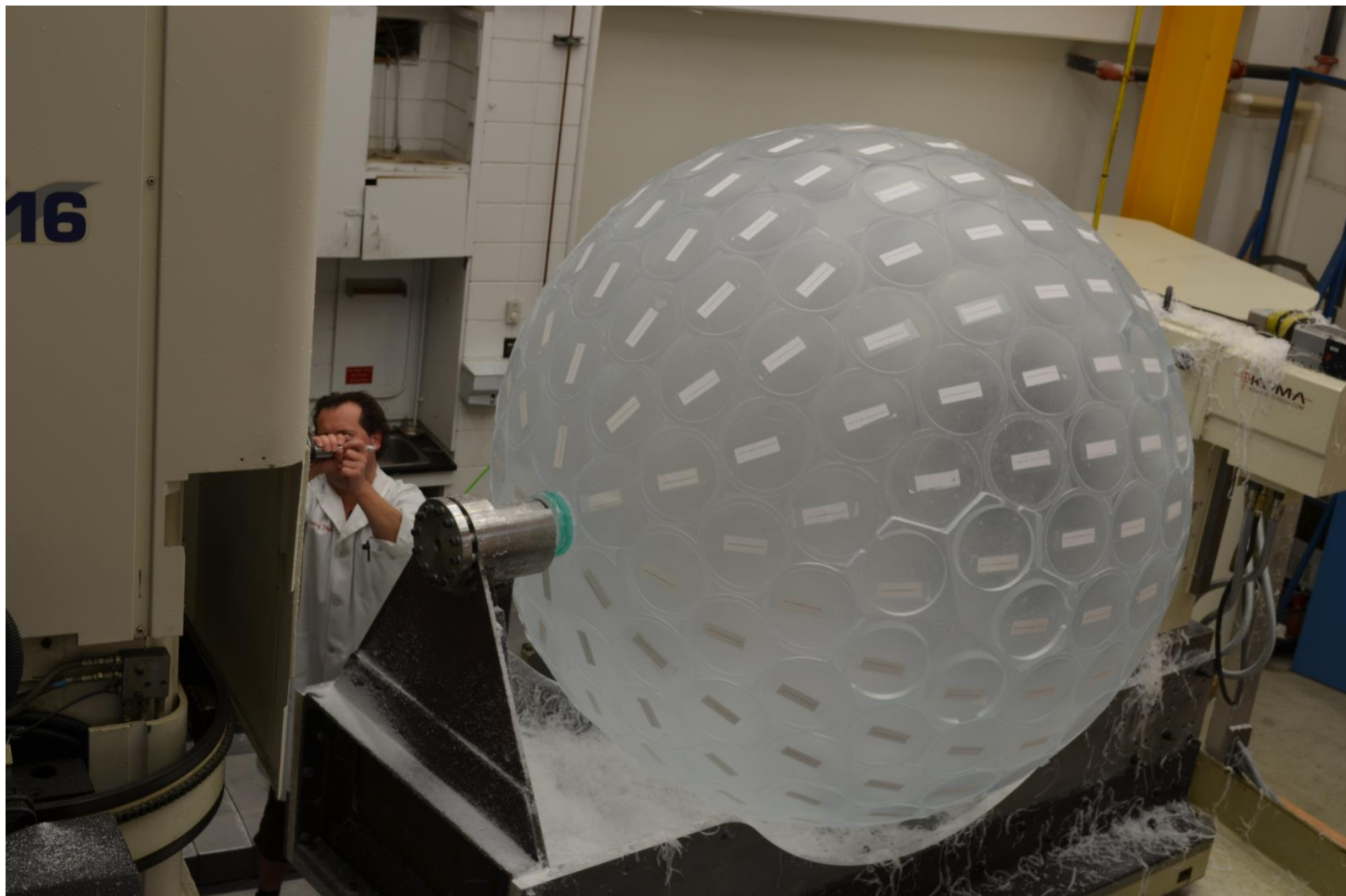


Thermoformed Panel at RPT Colorado

DEAP Acrylic Vessel, Panel Sections at Reynolds Polymer, Colorado



DEAP Acrylic Vessel with Light Guide “Stubs” July 2012, U Alberta







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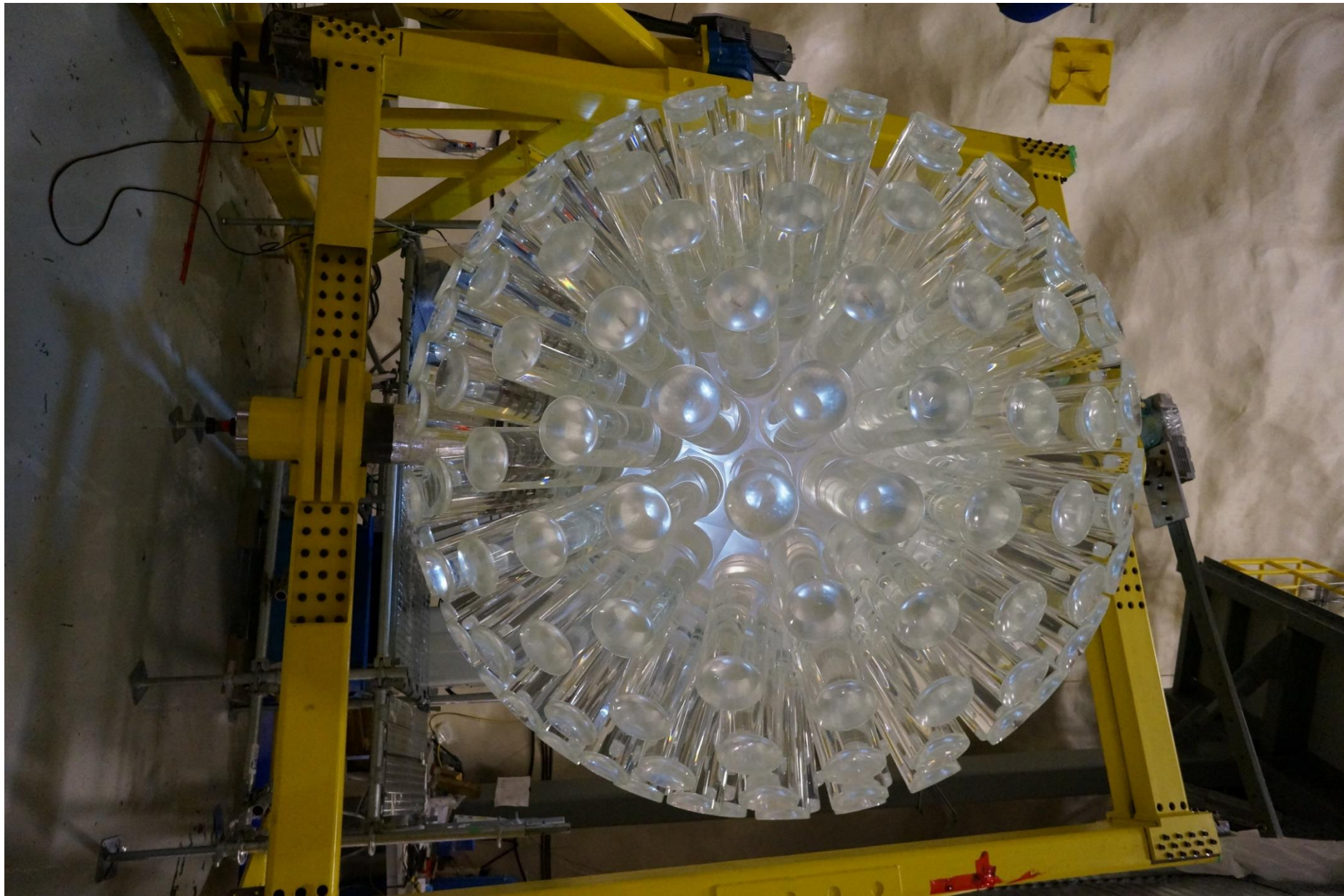
AV neck bonding underground (December 2012-January 2013)



Bonding light guides to the DEAP AV, underground at SNOLAB



DEAP Acrylic Vessel (2013)

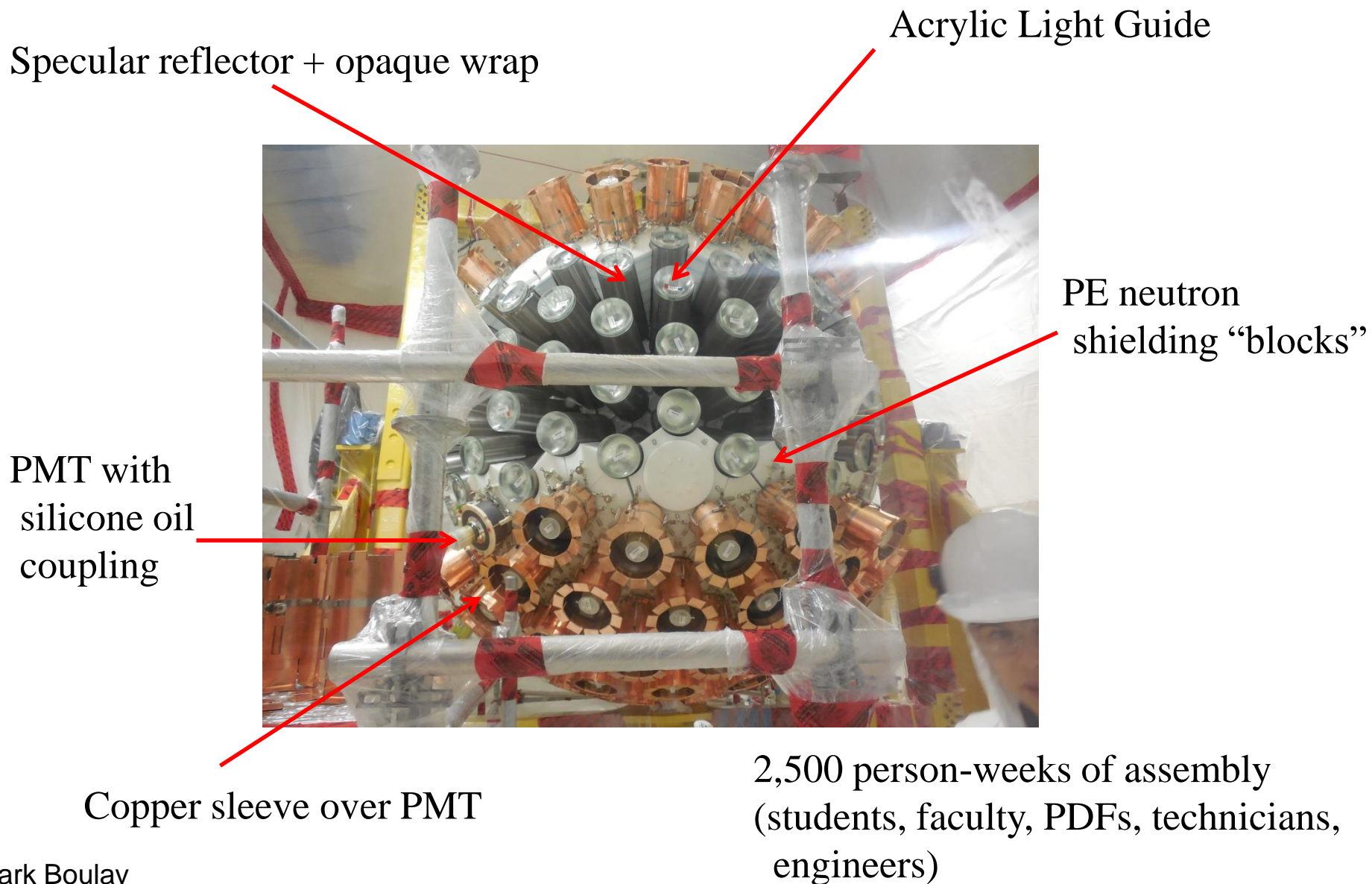


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Moving the AV into assembly room



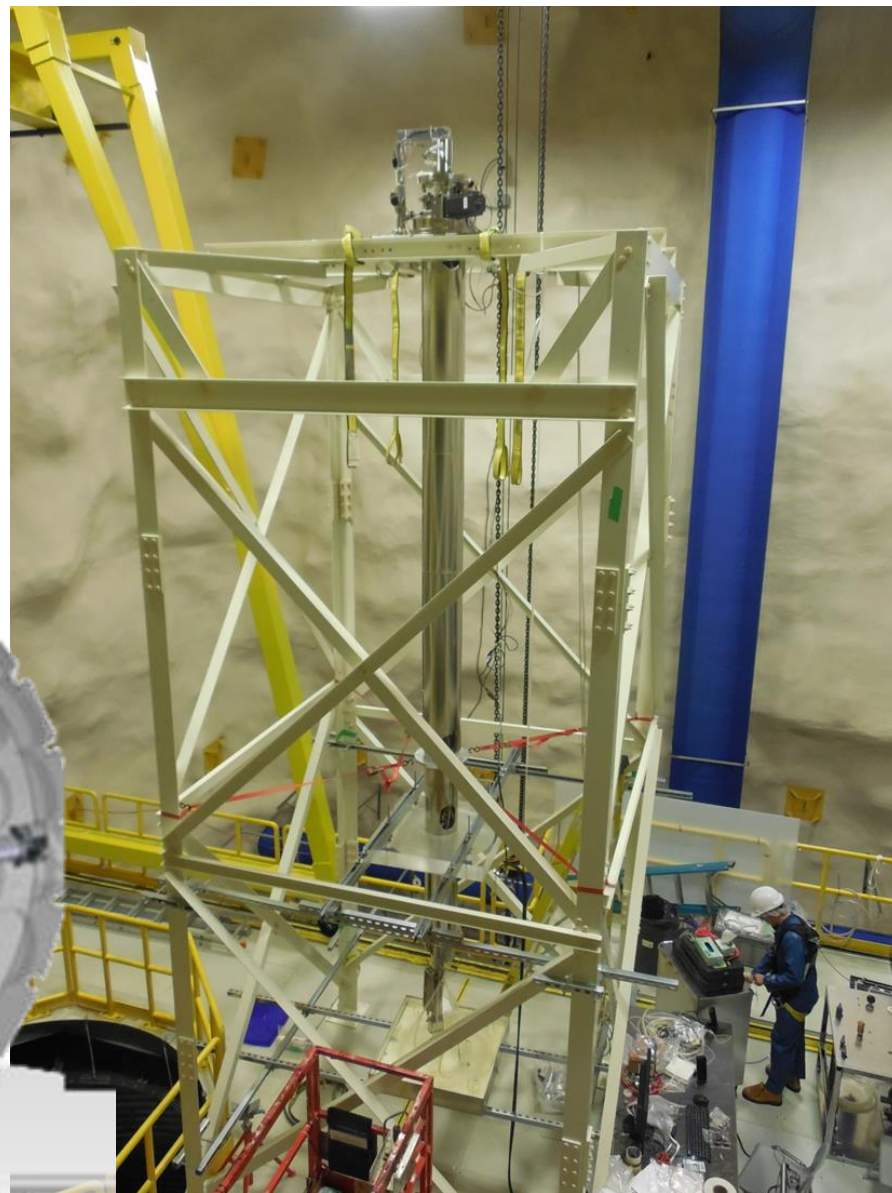
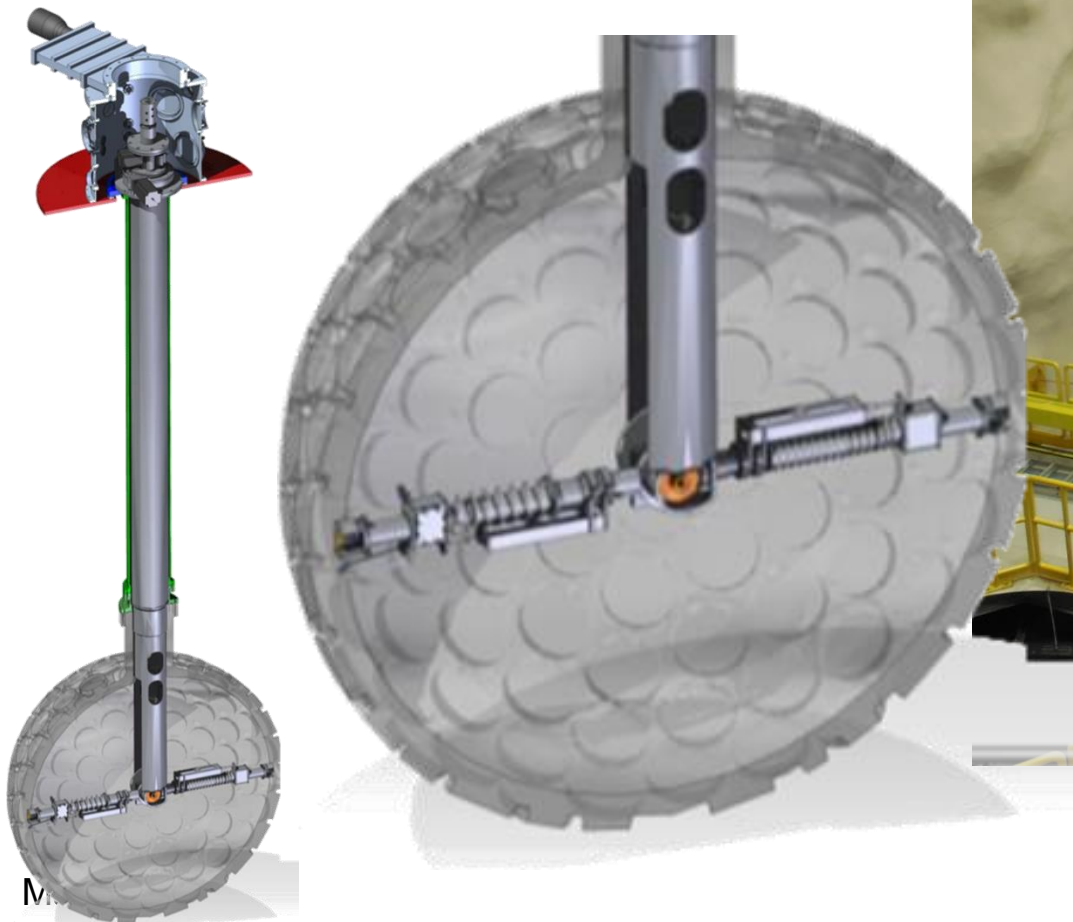
DEAP-3600 Detector Assembly





Acrylic Vessel Resurfacers

- Mechanical sander to clean inner surface
- Components selected for low radon emanation
- Remove 0.5-mm surface *in situ* with N₂ purge
- Cleans surface to bulk-level impurities (order 100,000 cleaner than SNO vessel)



Completed Detector and Shield Tank

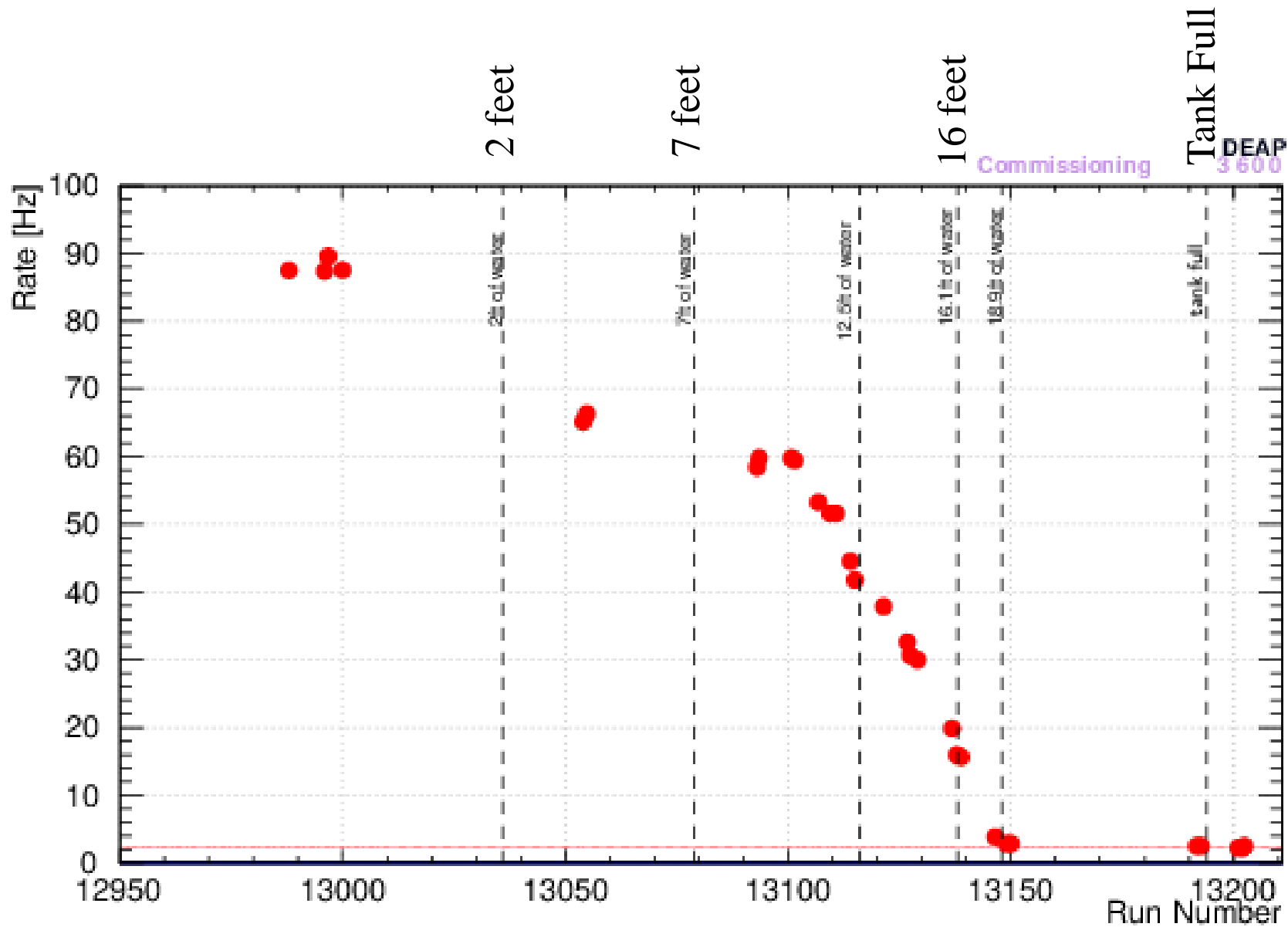


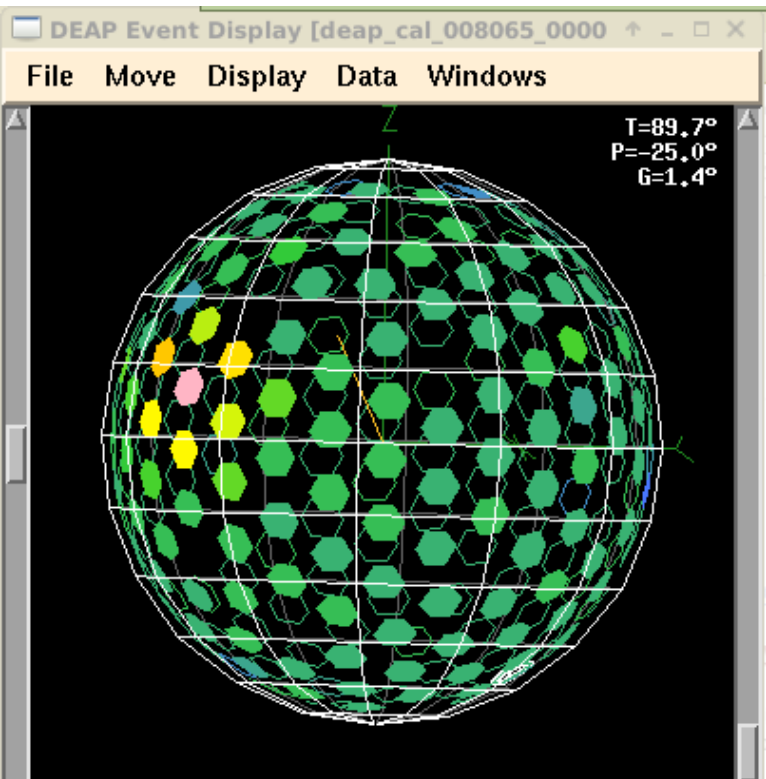
Completed Detector: Steel Shell, calibration tubes, muon veto in Shield Tank (fall 2015)



Shield Tank and emergency vent lines, tank was filled with water Oct 2015

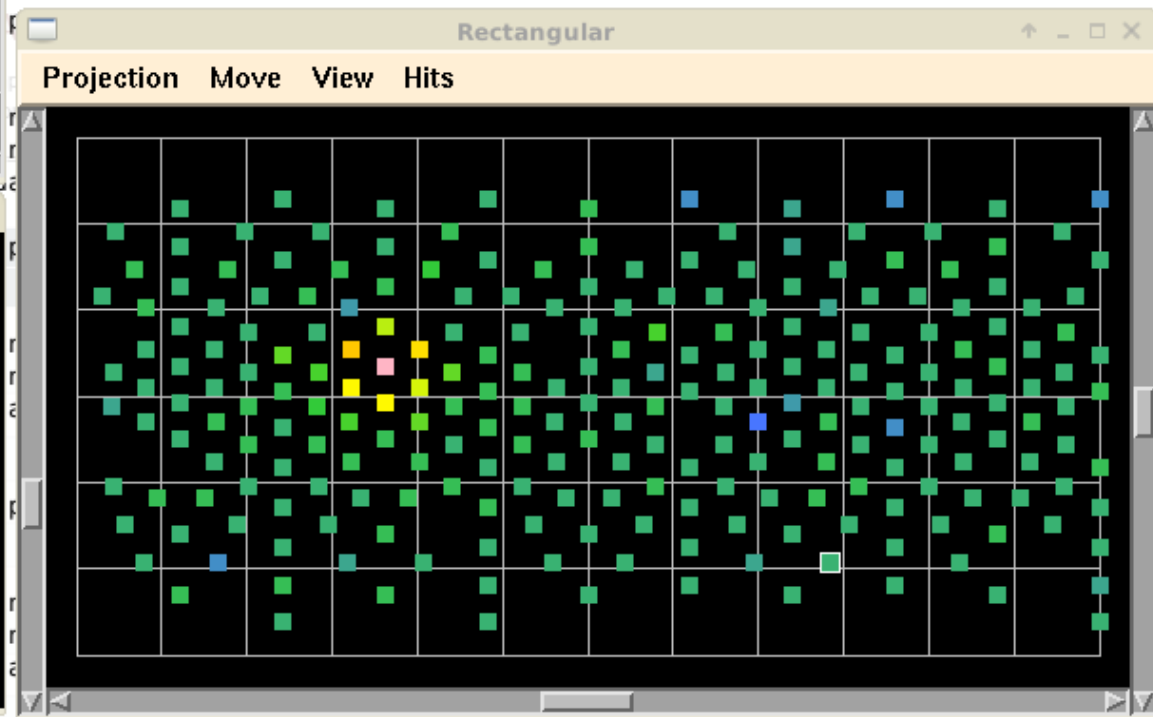
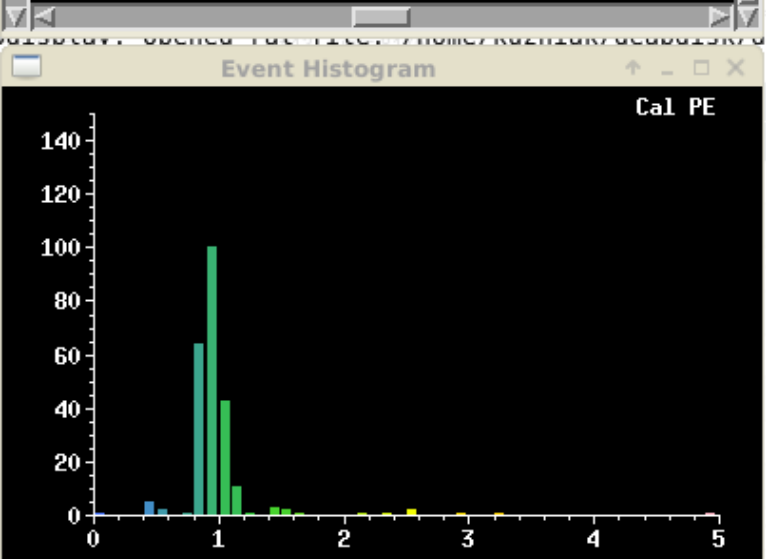
Detector event rate during shield tank water fill



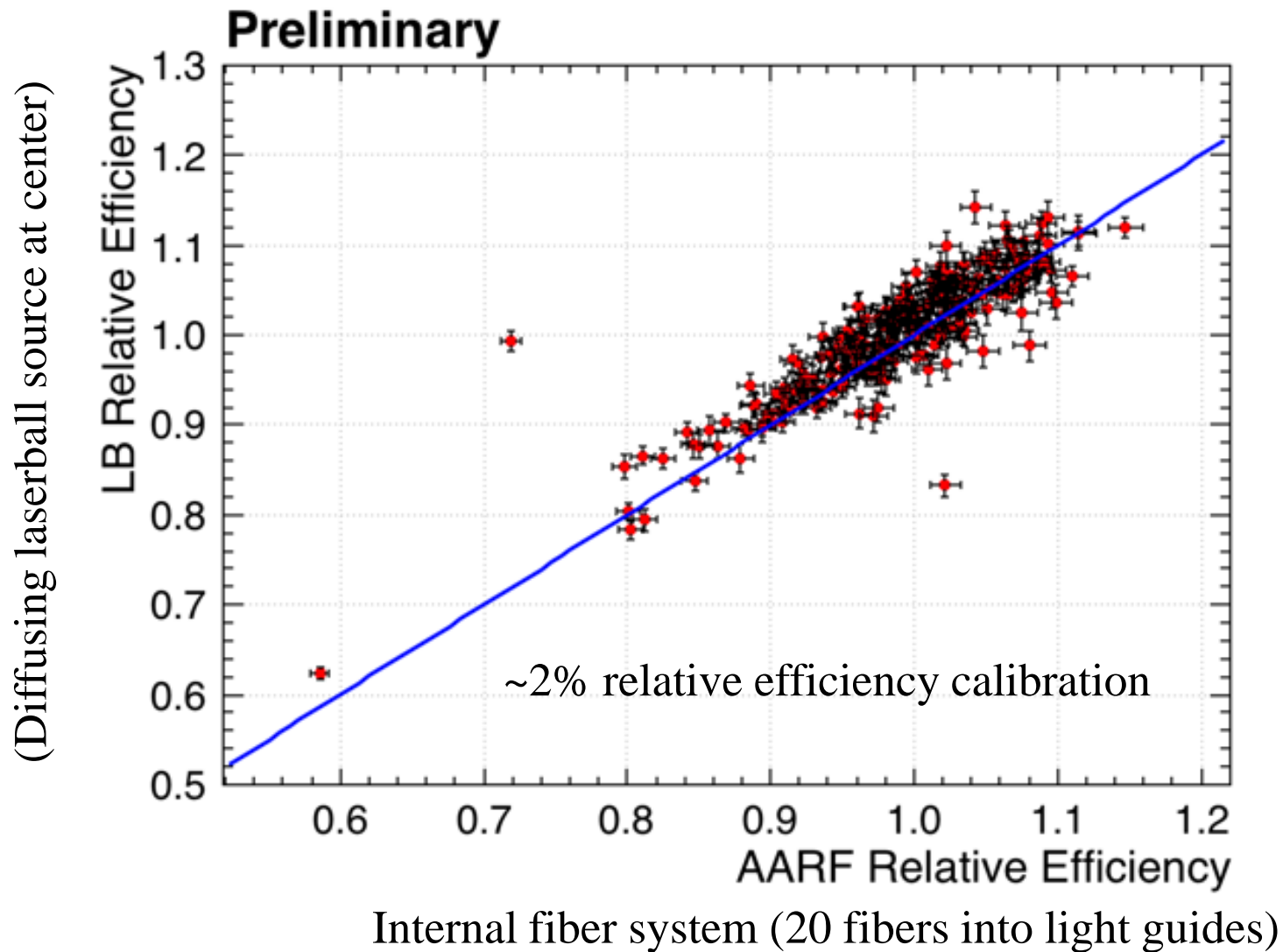


Electronics and trigger system operational for over a year (CAEN v1720s)

- Commissioning, electronics calibration
- Optical calibration with internal fibers (AARFs) and deployed diffusing laserball source



In-situ calibration of relative PMT efficiencies

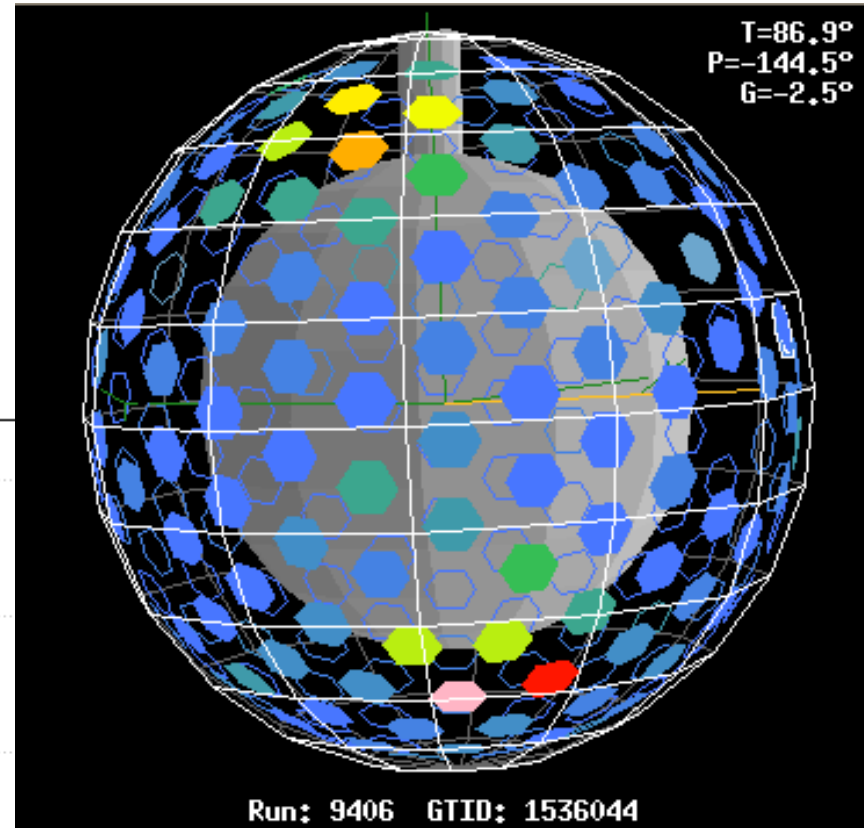
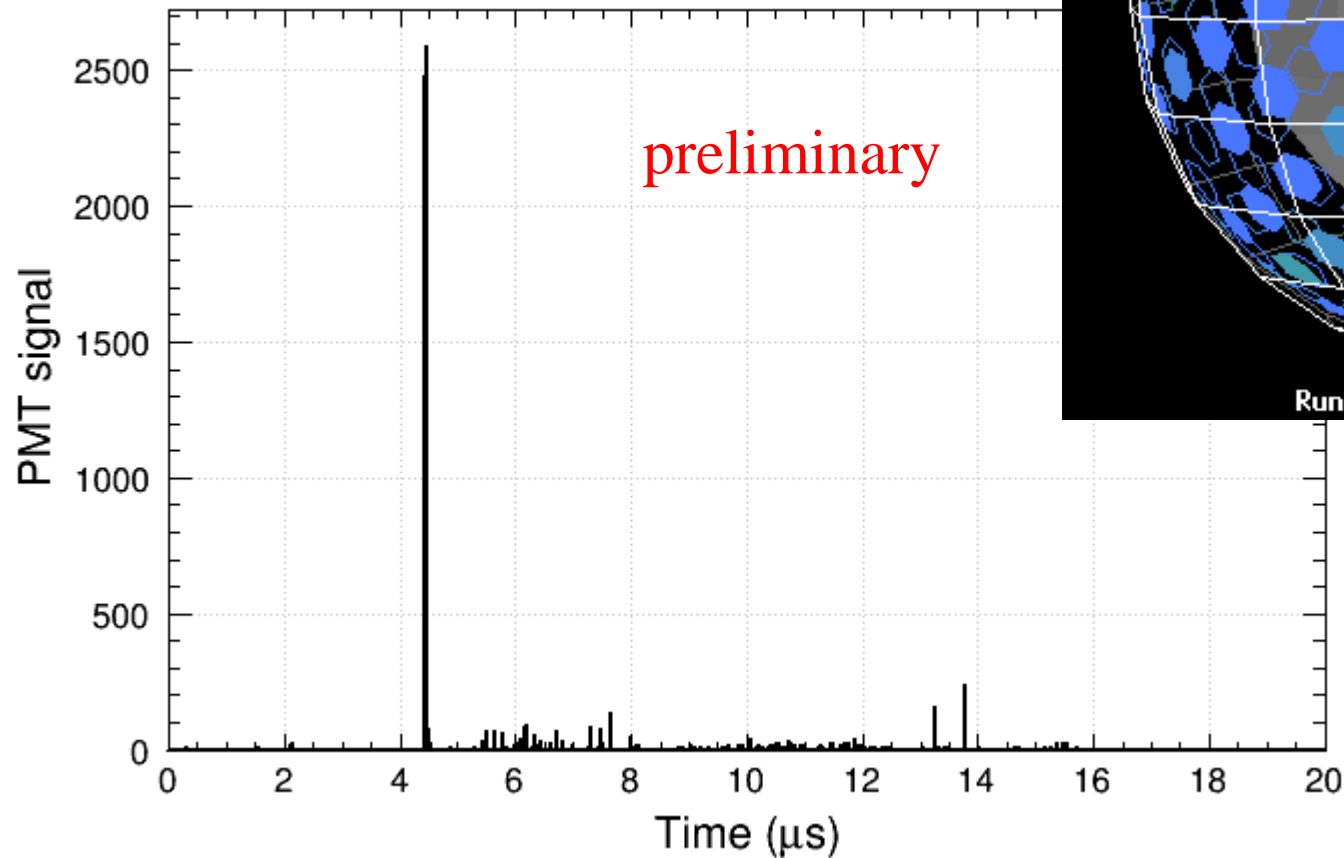


A high energy event (Commissioning running, Spring 2015)

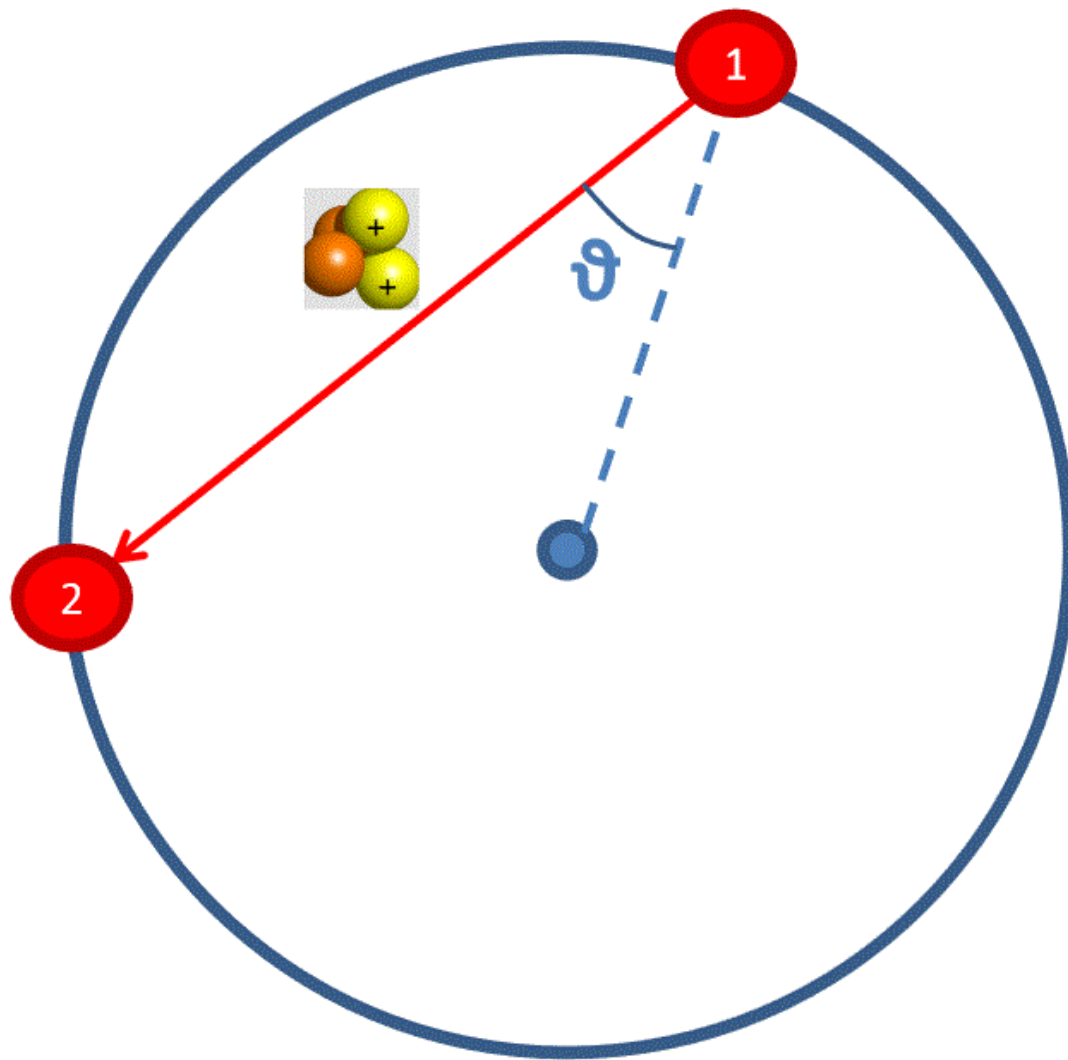
Run: 9406 Subrun: 3 Event:
300460

High-E event rate: ~ 1 event/day

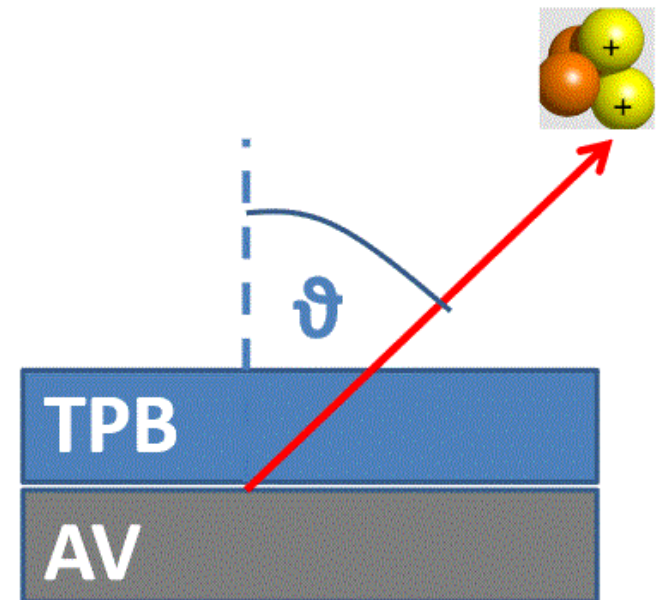
Expected muon rate: 1.6 muons/day



Angle definition

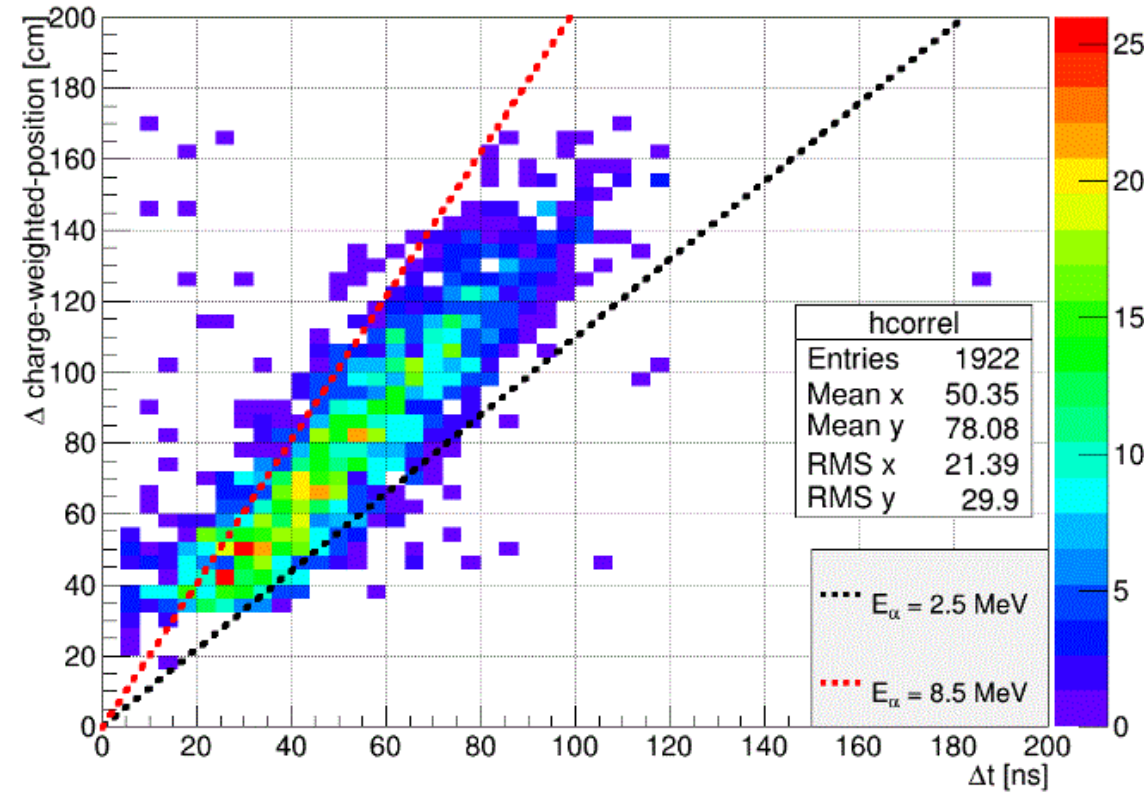


Angle is w.r.t vector from cluster 1 to center.



Identify alpha events from scintillation in TPB

And the correlation between distance & t?

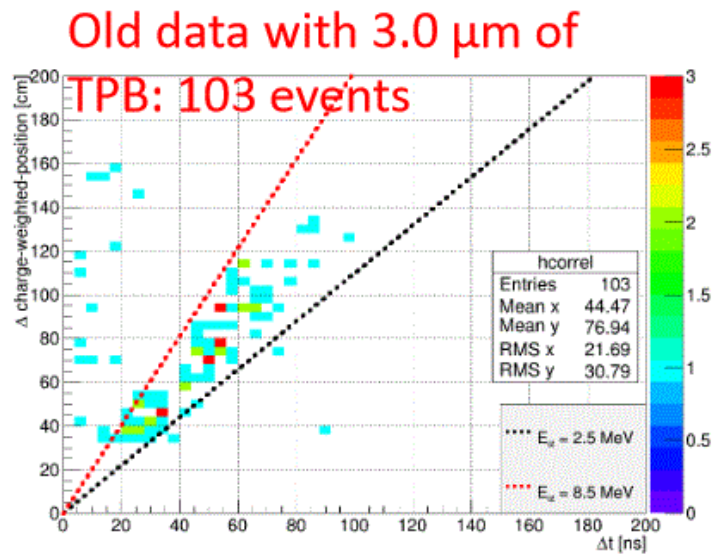
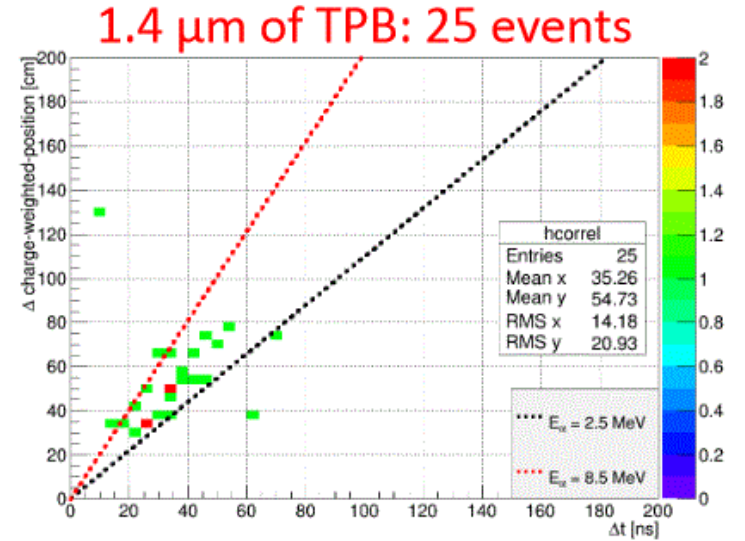


A handful of outliers in 2 months (Cherenkov mainly), otherwise the calculated energies are between 2.5 and 8.5 MeV.

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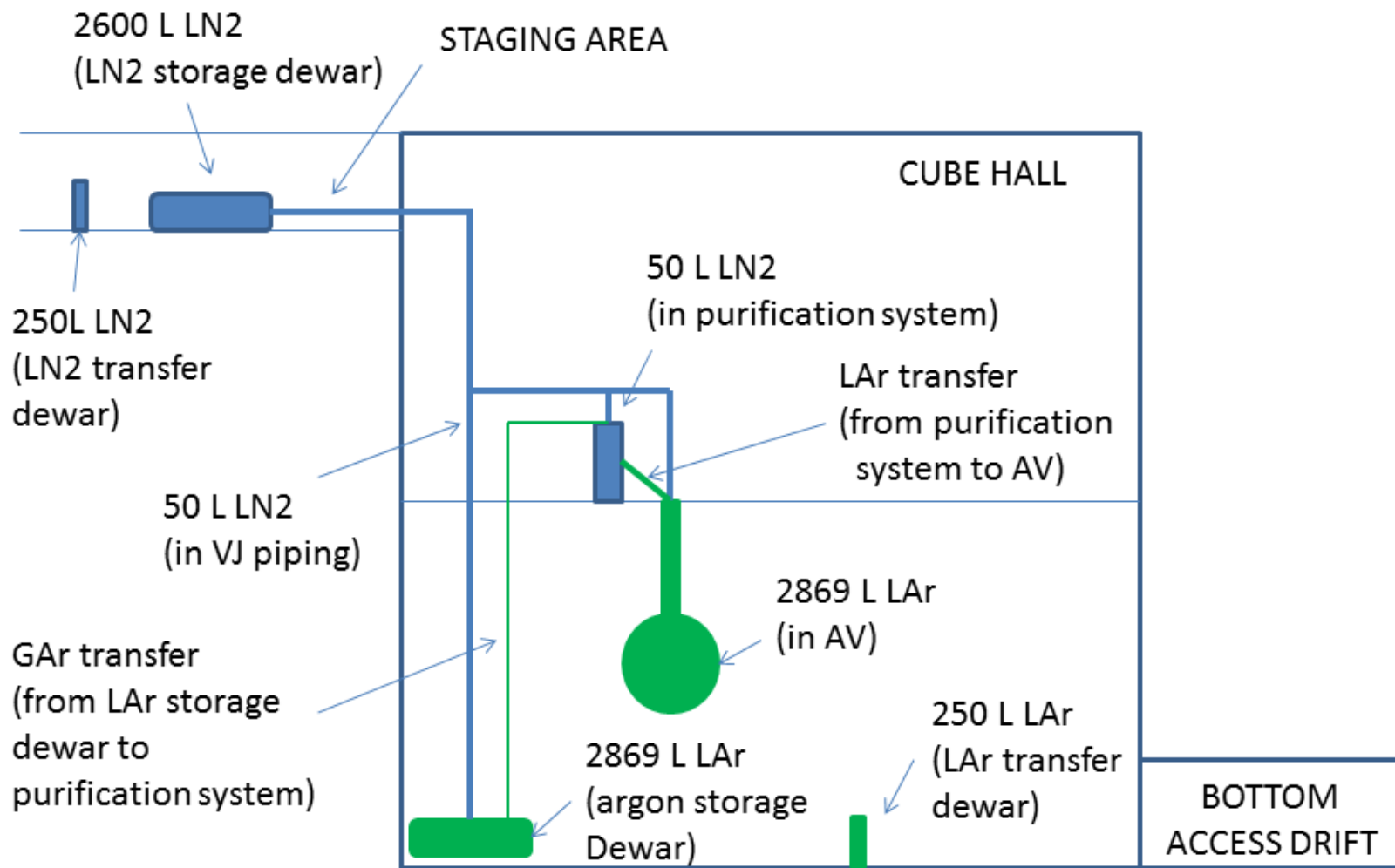
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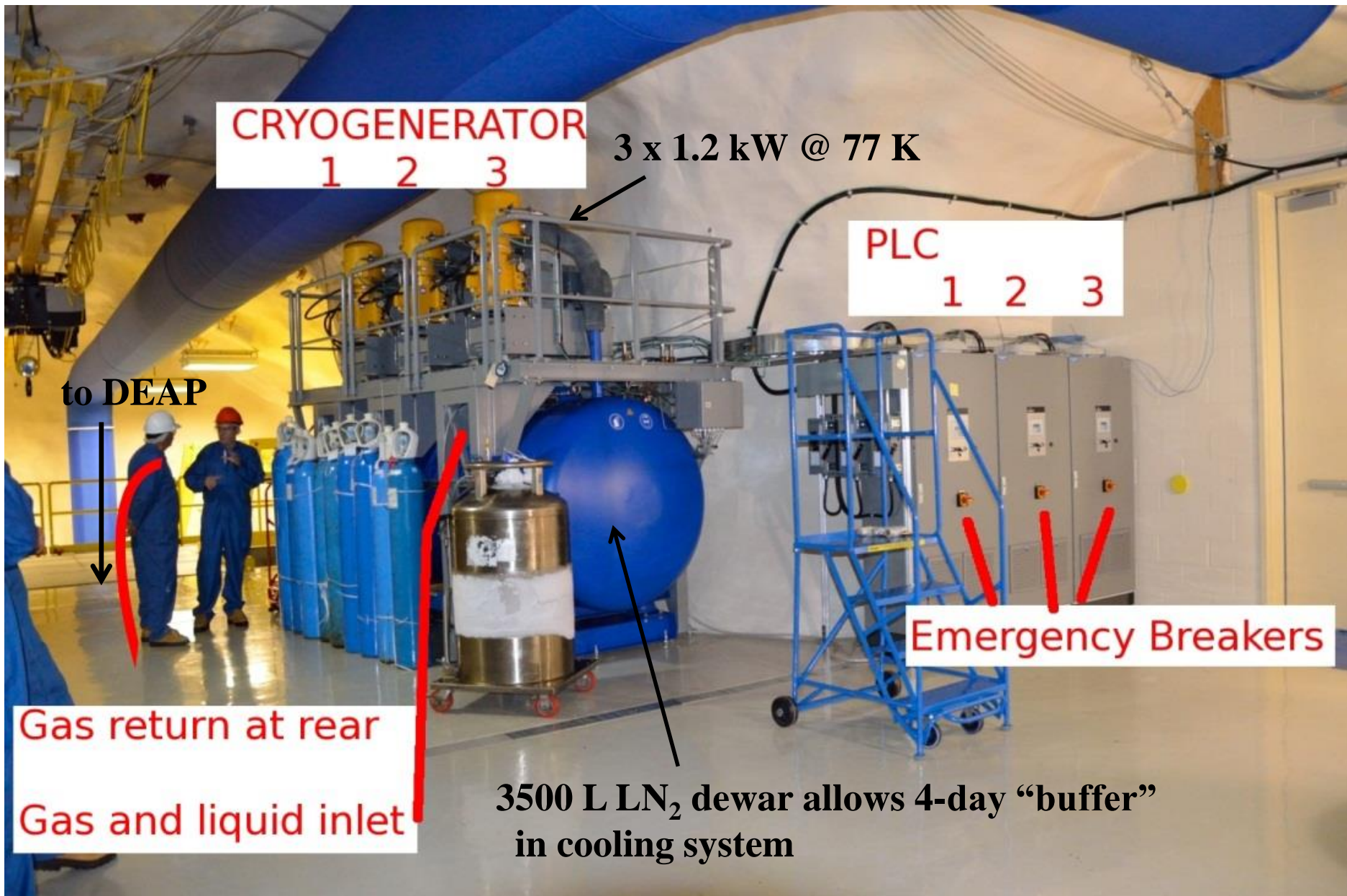


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DEAP-3600 Cryogenic Systems



DEAP-3600 Cryocooler System Installed May 2012



Liquid Argon Target Transfer and Storage



Bulk LAr storage on surface



2x240L
(transfer)



LN₂-cooled storage dewar
underground

Transferring underground started March 3, 2015

From RGA scans (before purification in the DEAP system):

CH₄ < 10 ppb, H₂O < 10 ppb, N₂ < 4 ppb, O₂ < 6 ppb

(<100 ppt after purification)

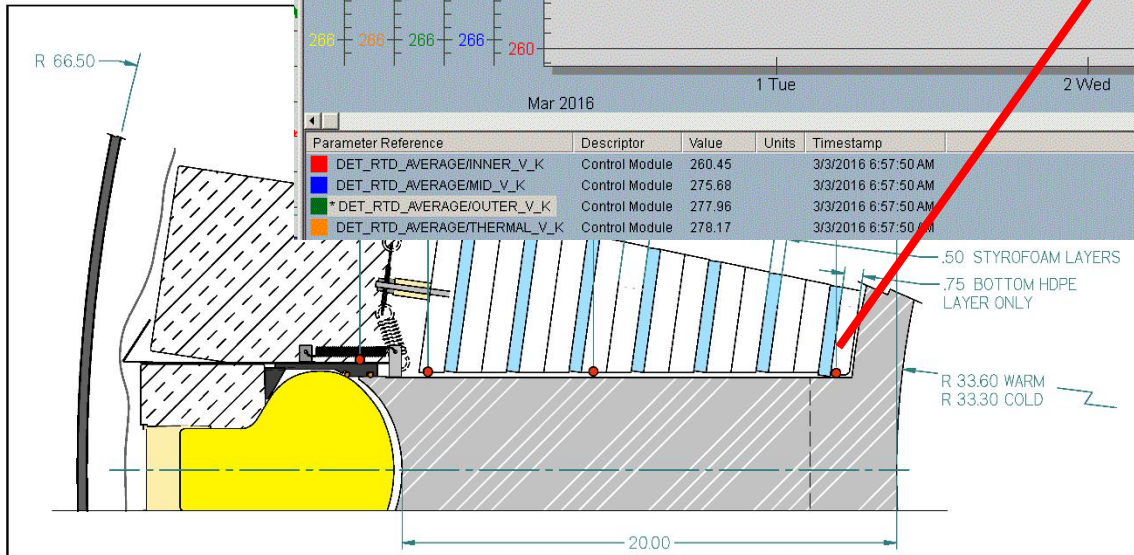
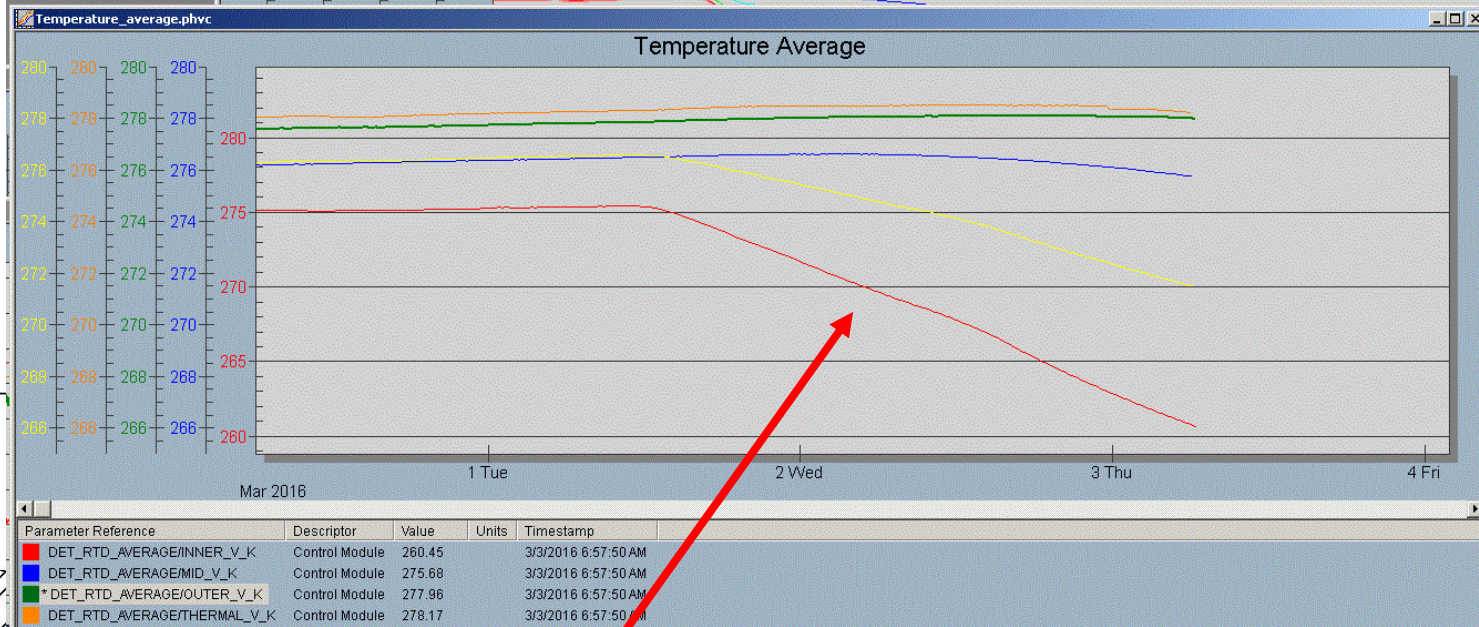


Argon Purification

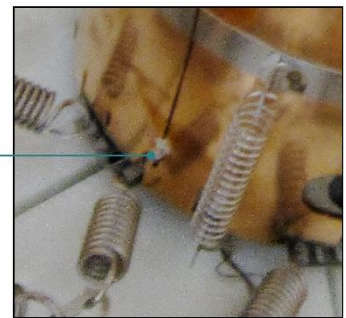
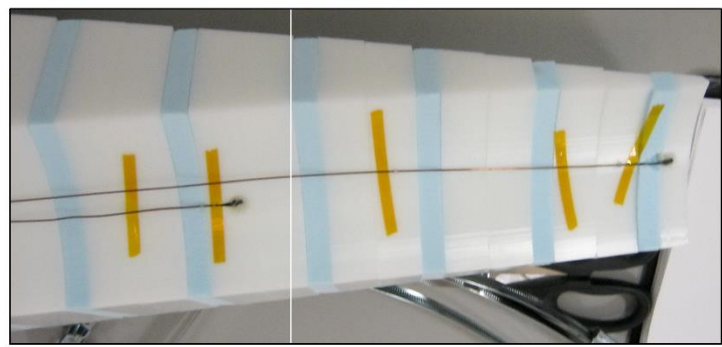
Target stored as liquid,
boiled and purified
in gas phase,
then (re-)liquefied into AV

(Gettering, radon
and
particulate filtration)

**AV cooldown started
Feb 2016**



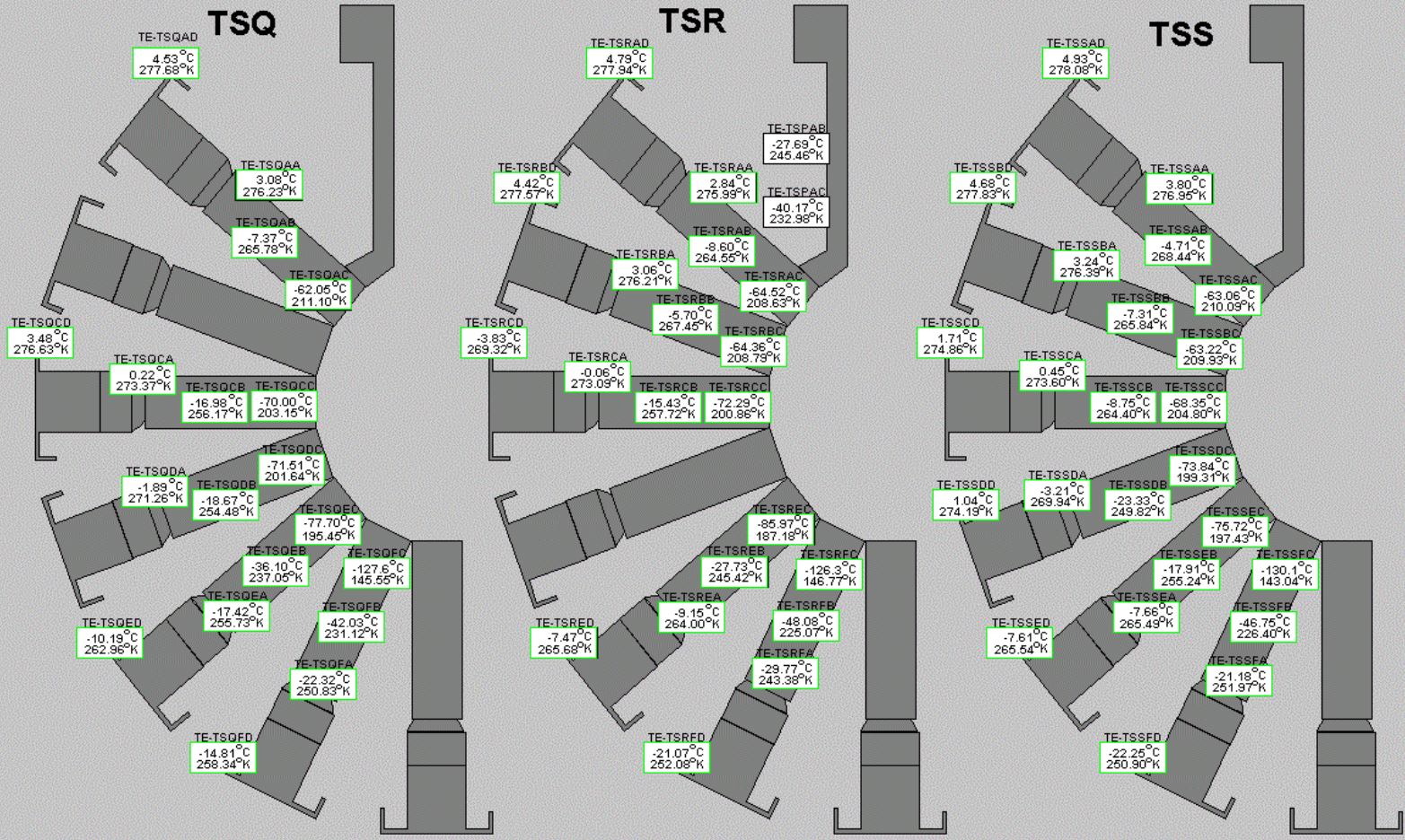
Refer to "Temperature Sensor Locations Rev G" for a visual map of all AV RTD locations.



DRAWN: KODY DERNE DATE: 18 FEB 2016		 Queen's University Physics Department
UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES DECIMALS XXX = 001 XXXX = 0005 ANGLES ± 1° ROUNDS AND FILLETS 0.25 INCHES SURFACE FINISH .75 μINCHES		
TITLE	DETECTOR RTD ARRANGEMENT	
NO	8 DWG: NGLD0-DEC-AR-7216-03	
SCALE	AS SHOWN	WEIGHT: SHEET 3 OF 5

Temperature drop rate

AV RTD Readout



Temperature averages

-3.84°C 269.31°K	-6.00°C 267.15°K	-20.97°C 252.18°K	-81.05°C 192.10°K
Total average -36.00°C 237.15°K			

DEAP-3600 Analysis Groups

Working group leader	Institution	Group
Marcin Kuzniak	Carleton	Analysis Coordinator
James Bueno	Alberta	Gamma/other backgrounds
Berta Beltran	Alberta	Position reconstruction
Chris Ouellet	Carleton	Global backgrounds, Run Selection
Chris Jillings	Laurentian	PMTs
Rashid Medyev	Carleton	Efficiency/optical calibration
Tina Pollmann	Laurentian	PSD
Ben Smith	TRIUMF	Low-level calibration (electronics)
Joe Walding	RHUL	Neutron calibration
Nasim Fatemighomi	RHUL	Energy response
Eric Vazquez Jauregui	UNAM	Neutron backgrounds

Working group structure, additional students/scientists contribute to various working groups, require additional effort on reconstruction, mu-veto calibration, surface backgrounds, optical calibration

Summary

- DEAP-3600: 3.6 tonnes of liquid argon (1 tonne fiducial)
>20X improvement in experimental sensitivity, excellent high WIMP mass sensitivity
(similar sensitivity to XENON-1T for high WIMP mass)
- Collecting data in commissioning phase since early 2015, detector calibration and analysis well advanced
- Start of detector cooldown Feb 2016, start of liquid filling June 11, 2016
- Expecting first physics data summer 2016

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