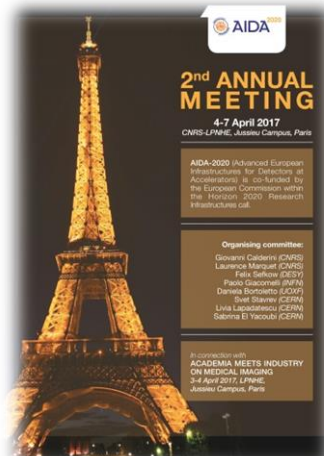


# The $\mu$ -RWELL (13.2.4) and Tools for its large scale implementation (13.4.5)

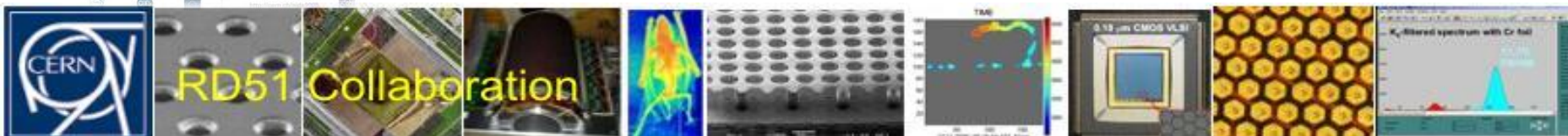
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# WP 13.2.4: the $\mu$ -RWELL detector

# Motivation

The **R&D on  $\mu$ -RWELL** is mainly motivated by the wish of improving the

**stability under heavy irradiation**

& simplify as much as possible

**construction/assembly procedures**

# The detector architecture

*G. Bencivenni et al., 2015\_JINST\_10\_P02008*

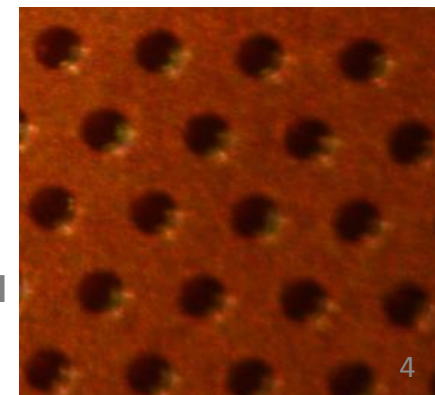
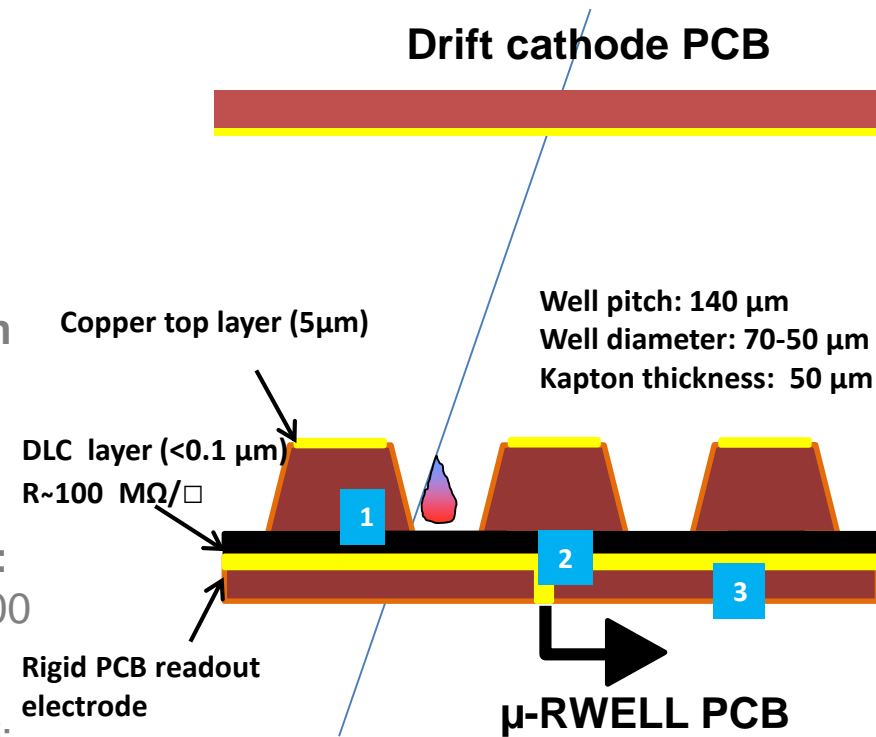
The  $\mu$ -RWELL is composed of only two elements:  
the  $\mu$ -RWELL\_PCB and the cathode

The  $\mu$ -RWELL\_PCB, the core of the detector, is realized by coupling:

1. a “WELL patterned kapton foil” as “amplification stage”
2. a “resistive layer” for discharge suppression & current evacuation:
  - i. “Single resistive layer” (SL)  $\ll 100$  kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>:  
single resistive layer  $\rightarrow$  surface resistivity  $\ll 100$  M $\Omega$ / $\square$  (CMS-phase2 upgrade; SHIP)
  - ii. “Double resistive layer” (DL)  $\gg 1$  MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>:  
more sophisticated resistive scheme must be implemented (MPDG\_NEXT- LNF) suitable for LHCb-Muon upgrade

3. a standard readout PCB

(\*) DLC = Diamond Like Carbon  
High mechanical & chemical resistant material

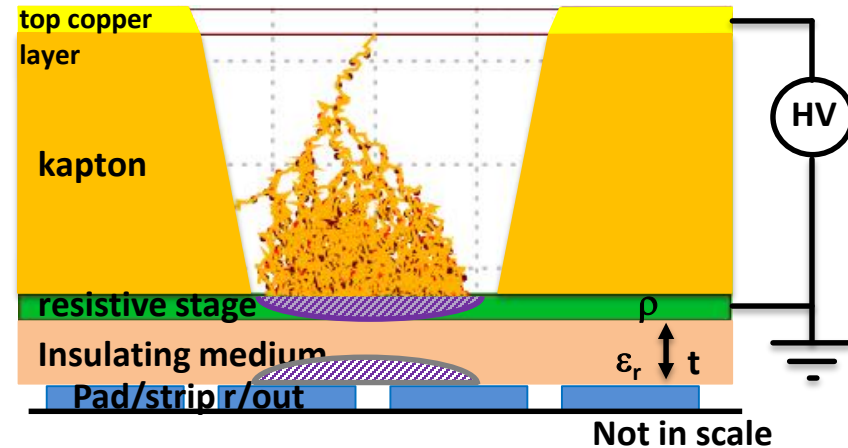


# Principle of operation

Applying a suitable voltage between top copper layer and DLC the “WELL” acts as multiplication channel for the ionization.

The charge induced on the resistive foil is dispersed with a *time constant*,  $\tau = \rho C$ , determined by

- the *surface resistivity*,  $\rho$
- the *capacitance per unit area*, which depends on the distance between the resistive foil and the pad readout plane,  $t$
- the *dielectric constant* of the insulating medium,  $\epsilon_r$  [M.S. Dixit et al., NIMA 566 (2006) 281]
- The main effect of the introduction of the resistive stage is the suppression of the transition from streamer to spark
- As a drawback, the capability to stand high particle fluxes is reduced, *but an appropriate grounding of the resistive layer with a suitable pitch solves this problem (see High Rate scheme)*



# Main detector features

The  $\mu$ -RWELL is a **single-amplification stage**, intrinsically **spark protected** MPGD characterized by:

- **simple assembly procedure:**
  - **only two components**  $\rightarrow$   $\mu$ -RWELL\_PCB + cathode
  - no critical & time consuming **assembly** steps:
    - **no gluing**
    - **no stretching** ( $\rightarrow$  no stiff & large frames needed)
    - **easy handling**
  - **suitable for large area with PCB splicing technique w/small dead zone**
- **cost effective:**
  - 1 PCB r/o, 1  $\mu$ -RWELL foil, 1 DLC, 1 cathode and very low man-power
- **easy to operate:**
  - very simple HV supply  $\rightarrow$  only **2 independent HV channels** or a trivial **passive divider** (while 3GEM detector  $\rightarrow$  7 HV floating/channels )

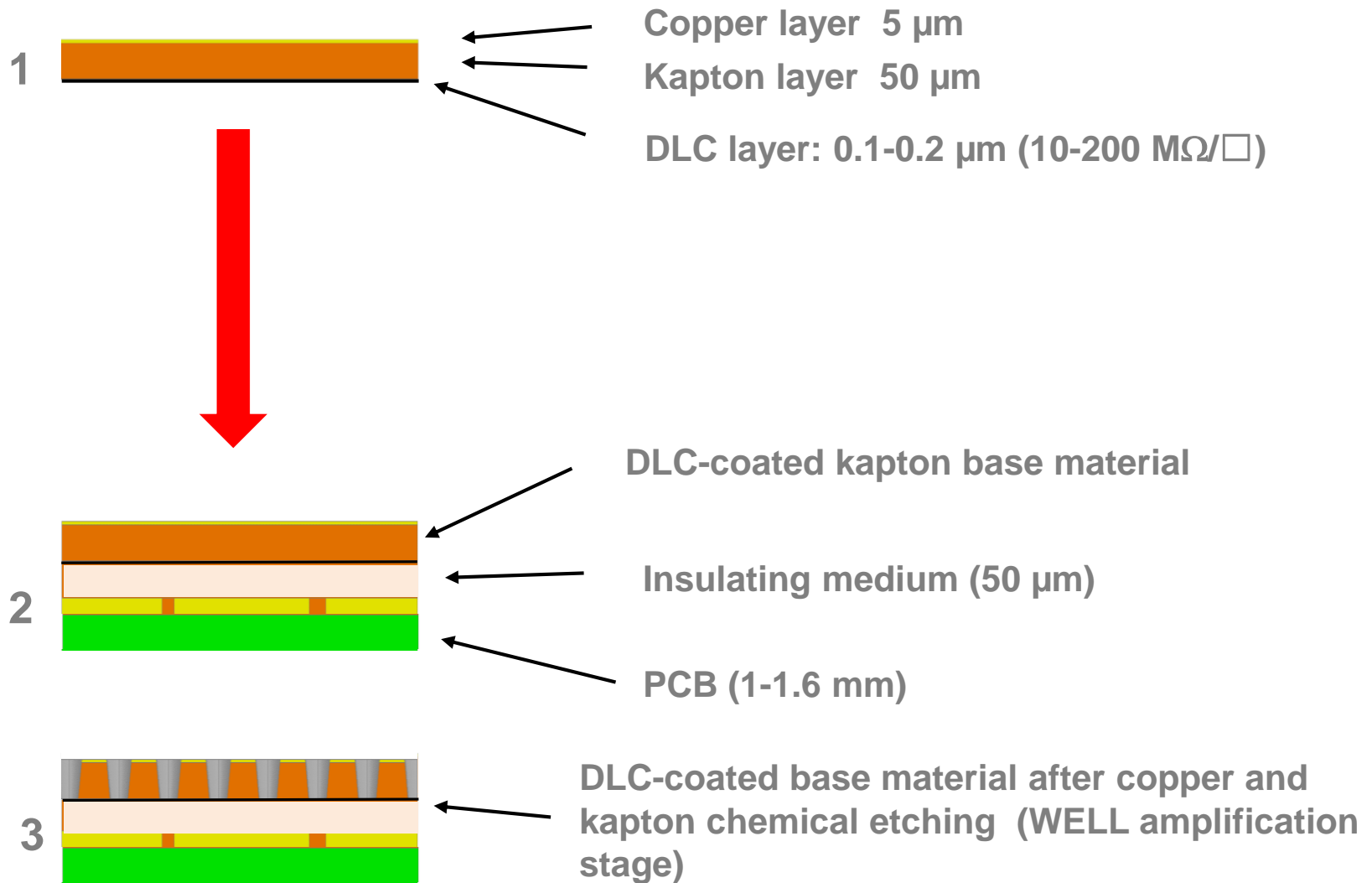
# $\mu$ -RWELL: the AIDA program (2016/17)

## 1. Optimization of the detector parameters:

- i. surface resistivity vs gain, rate capability, charge spread, space resolution (completed – paper to be submitted)
- ii. study & implementation of the resistive layer segmentation vs rate capability (completed - paper to be written )

Work to be done in the first 24 months (M24) of the project

# The Low Rate scheme (CMS/SHiP)



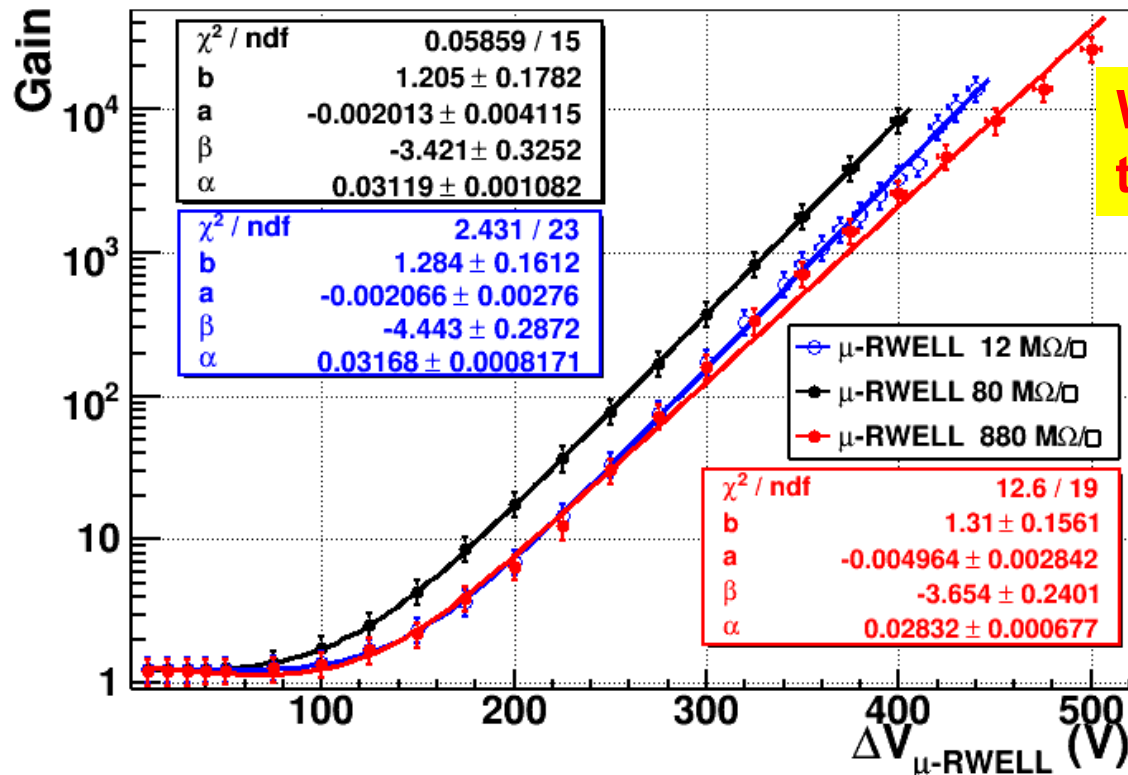


# Detector performance: Lab Tests

# Detector Gain

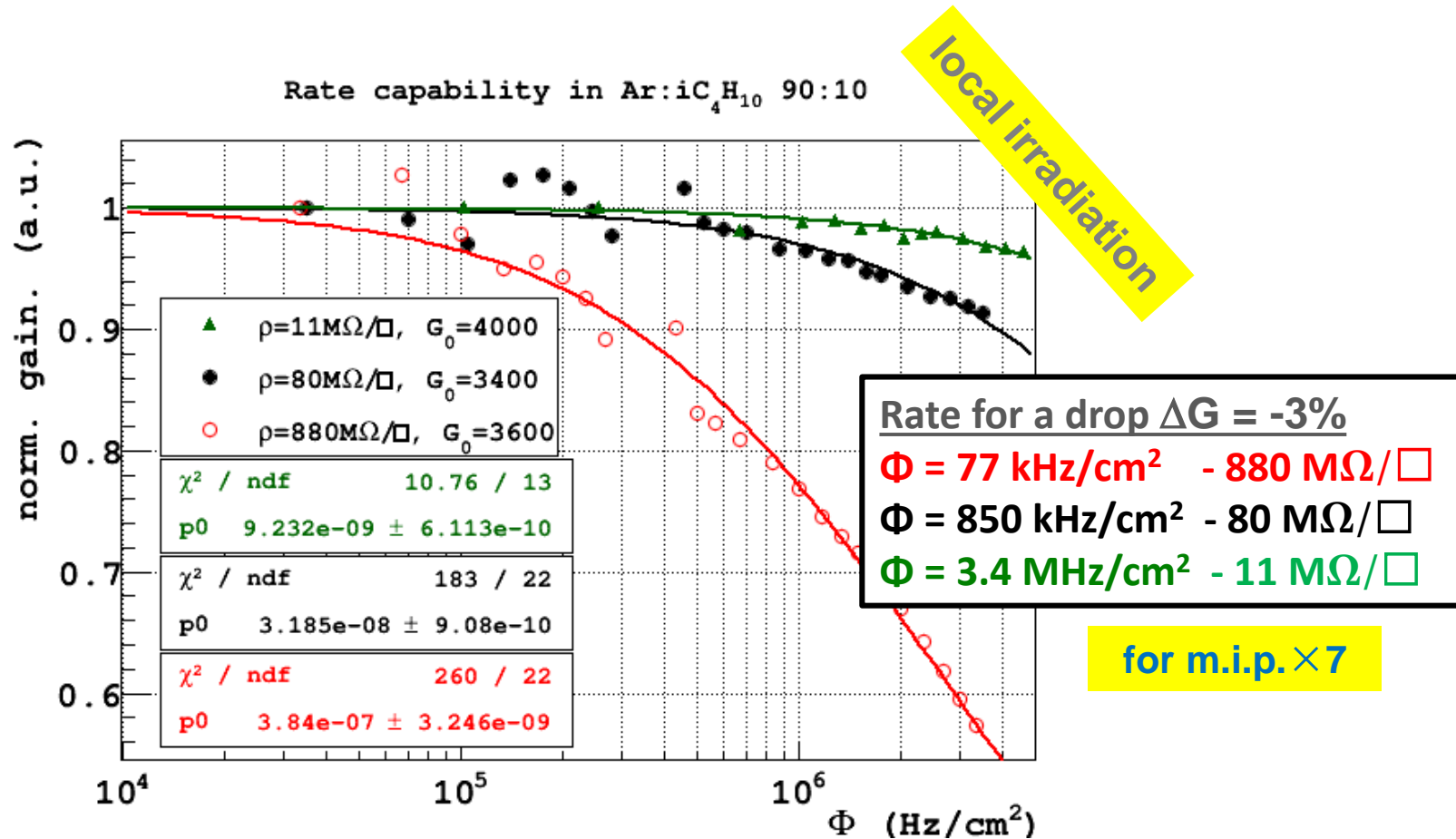
Prototypes with different resistivity (12-80-880 M $\Omega$ /□) have been tested with **X-Rays** (5.9 keV), with different gas mixtures, and characterized by measuring the **gas gain in current mode**.

Ar/iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> = 90/10



**WELL kapton thickness = 50 $\mu$ m**

# Rate capability with X-rays (single layer)



The gain decrease is correlated with the voltage drop due to the resistive layer: larger the resistivity lower the rate capability.

local irradiation  $\neq$  global irradiation

# Detector performance: Beam Tests

# Beam tests results



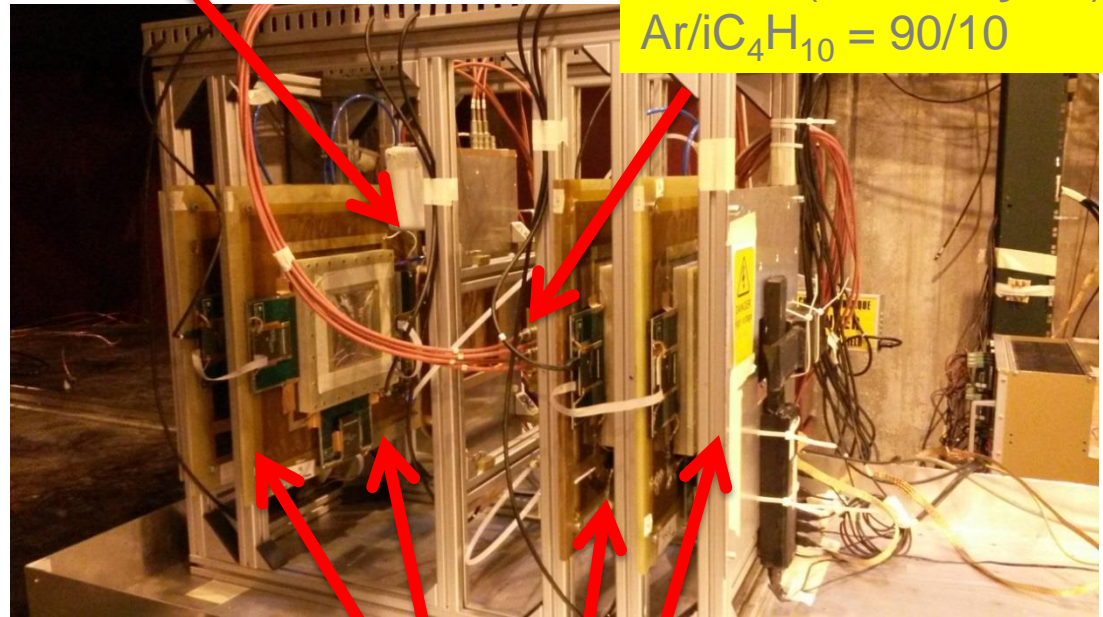
H4 Beam Area (RD51)

Muon beam momentum: 150 GeV/c

Goliath: B up to 1.4 T

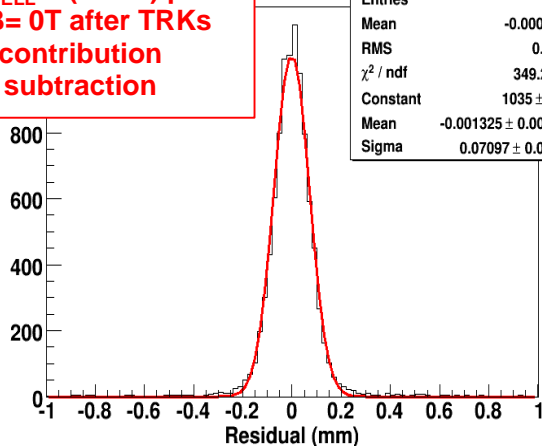
BES III-GEM chambers

$\mu$ -RWELL prototype  
12-80-880 M $\Omega$  /  $\square$   
400  $\mu$ m pitch strips  
APV25 (CC analysis)  
Ar/iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> = 90/10



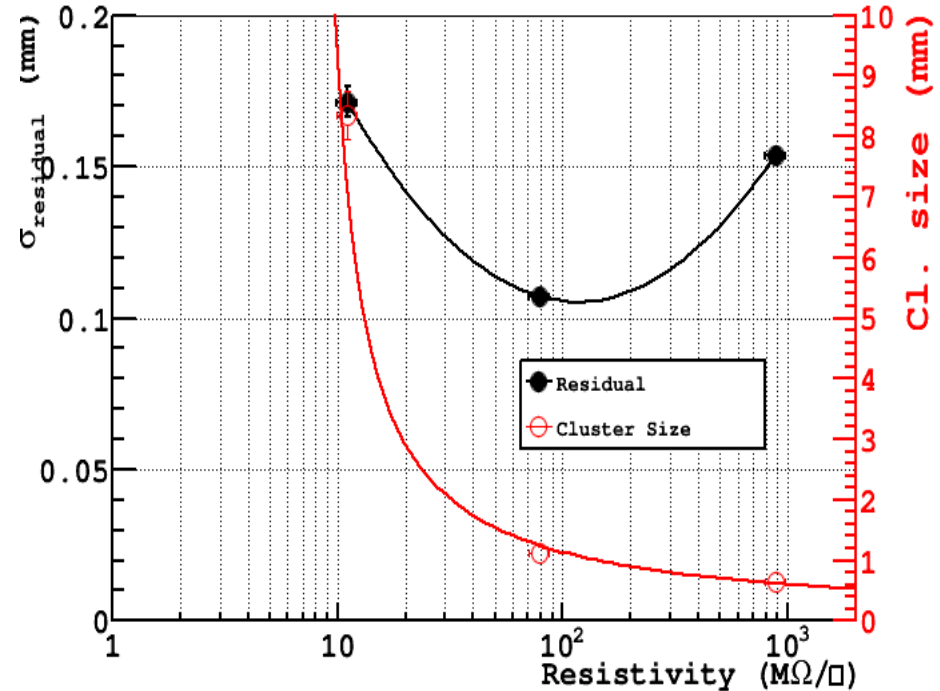
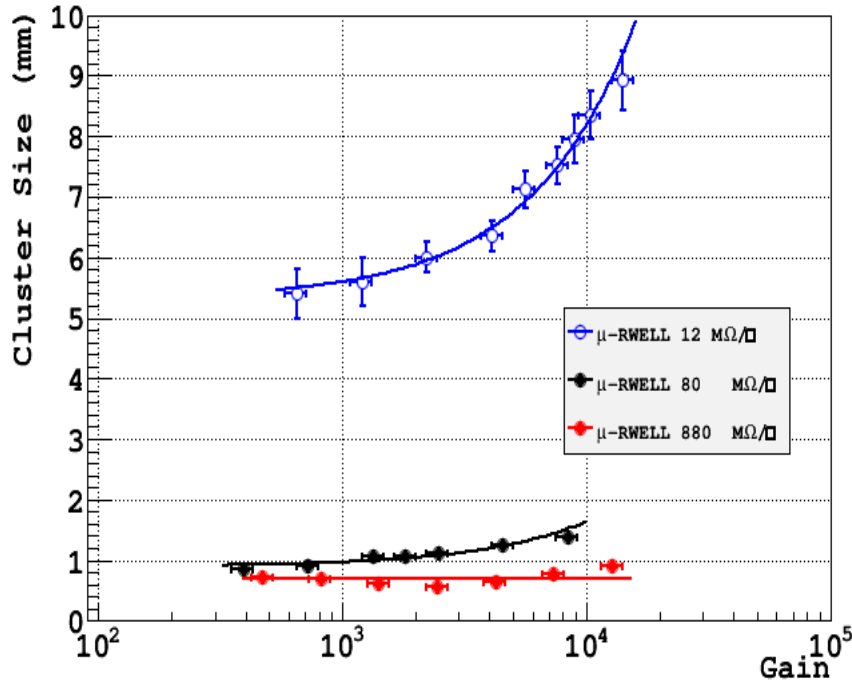
GEMs Trackers

$\sigma_{\text{RWELL}} = (52 \pm 6) \mu\text{m}$   
@ B=0T after TRKs  
contribution  
subtraction



# Space resolution vs resistivity

## CC analysis



The “space resolution” ( $\sigma$  of the residual – no subtraction of the external trackers contribution) exhibits a minimum around  $100 M\Omega/\square$ .

- at low resistivity the charge spread increases and then  $\sigma$  is worsening.
- at high resistivity the charge spread is too small (Cl\_size  $\rightarrow$  1 fired strip) then the Charge Centroid method becomes no more effective ( $\sigma \rightarrow \text{pitch}/\sqrt{12}$ )

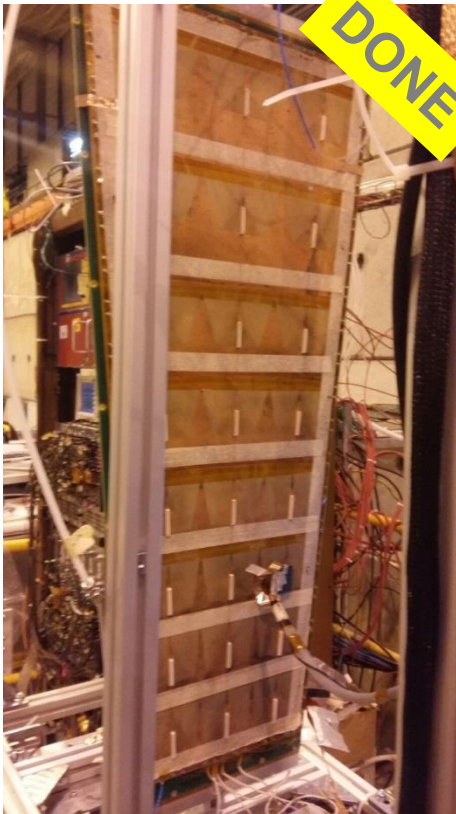
# Technology Transfer to Industry

In the framework of the **CMS-phase2 muon upgrade** we have developed large size  $\mu$ -RWELLS, in strict collaboration with **Italian industrial partners (ELTOS & MDT)**.

The work is performed in **two years** with following schedule:

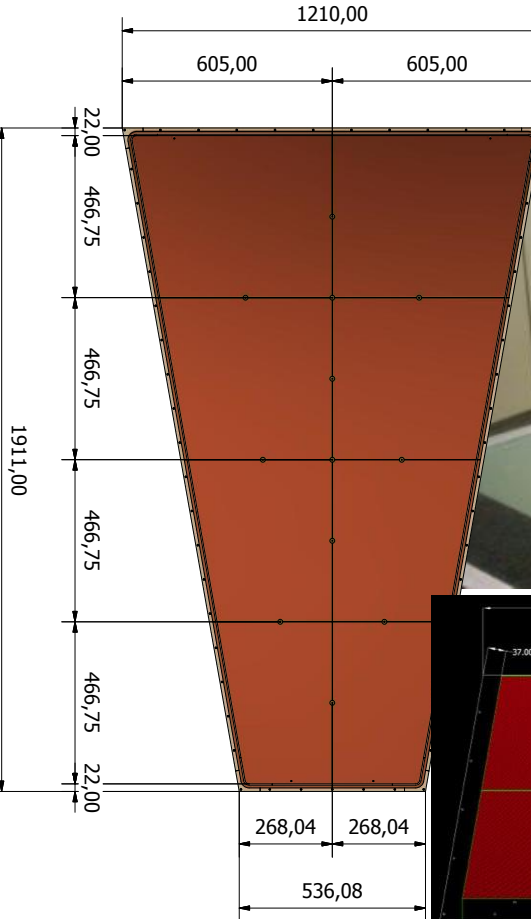
- 1. Construction & test of the first  $1.2 \times 0.5 \text{ m}^2$  (GE1/1)  $\mu$ -RWELL** **2016 - DONE**
- 2. Mechanical study and mock-up of  $1.8 \times 1.2 \text{ m}^2$  (GE2/1)  $\mu$ -RWELL** **2017 - DONE**
- 3. Construction of the first  $1.8 \times 1.2 \text{ m}^2$  (GE2/1)  $\mu$ -RWELL (only M4 active)** **> 2018**

~40 times larger than small protos !!!



DONE

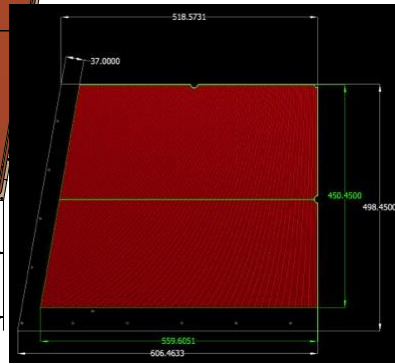
~200 times larger than small protos !!!



1.8x1.2m<sup>2</sup> (GE2/1)  $\mu$ -RWELL



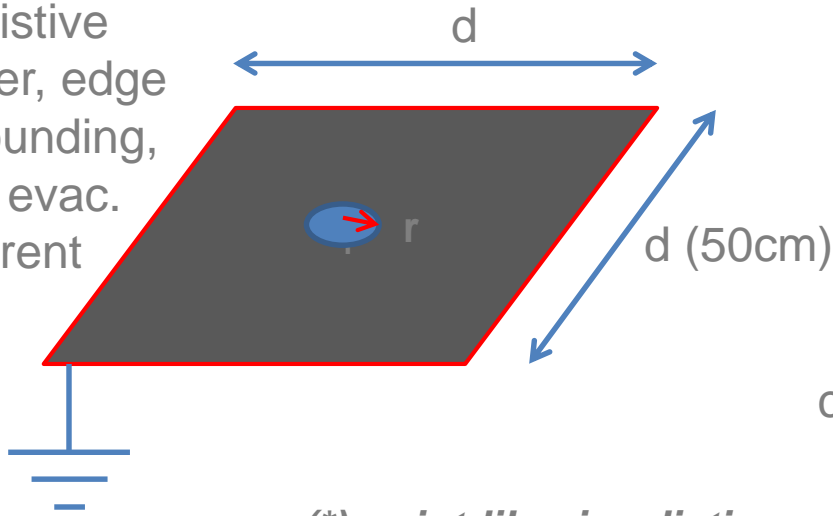
mock-up



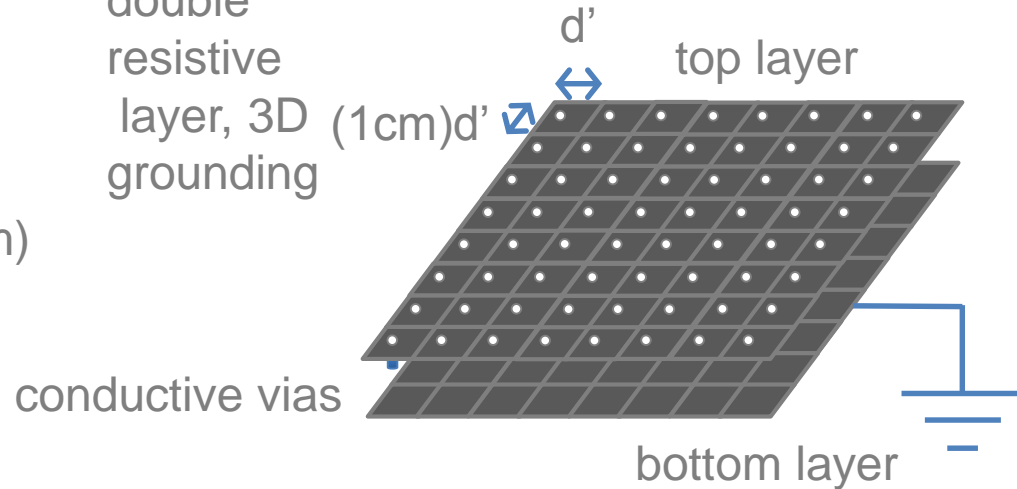
ELTOS tests

# Towards a High Rate scheme

single resistive layer, edge grounding, 2D evac. current



double resistive layer, 3D grounding



(\*) *point-like irradiation,  $r \ll d$*   
 $\Omega$  is the resistance seen by the current generated by a radiation incident in the center of the detector cell

$$\Omega \sim \rho_s \times d / 2\pi r$$

$$\Omega' \sim \rho_s' \times 3d' / 2\pi r$$

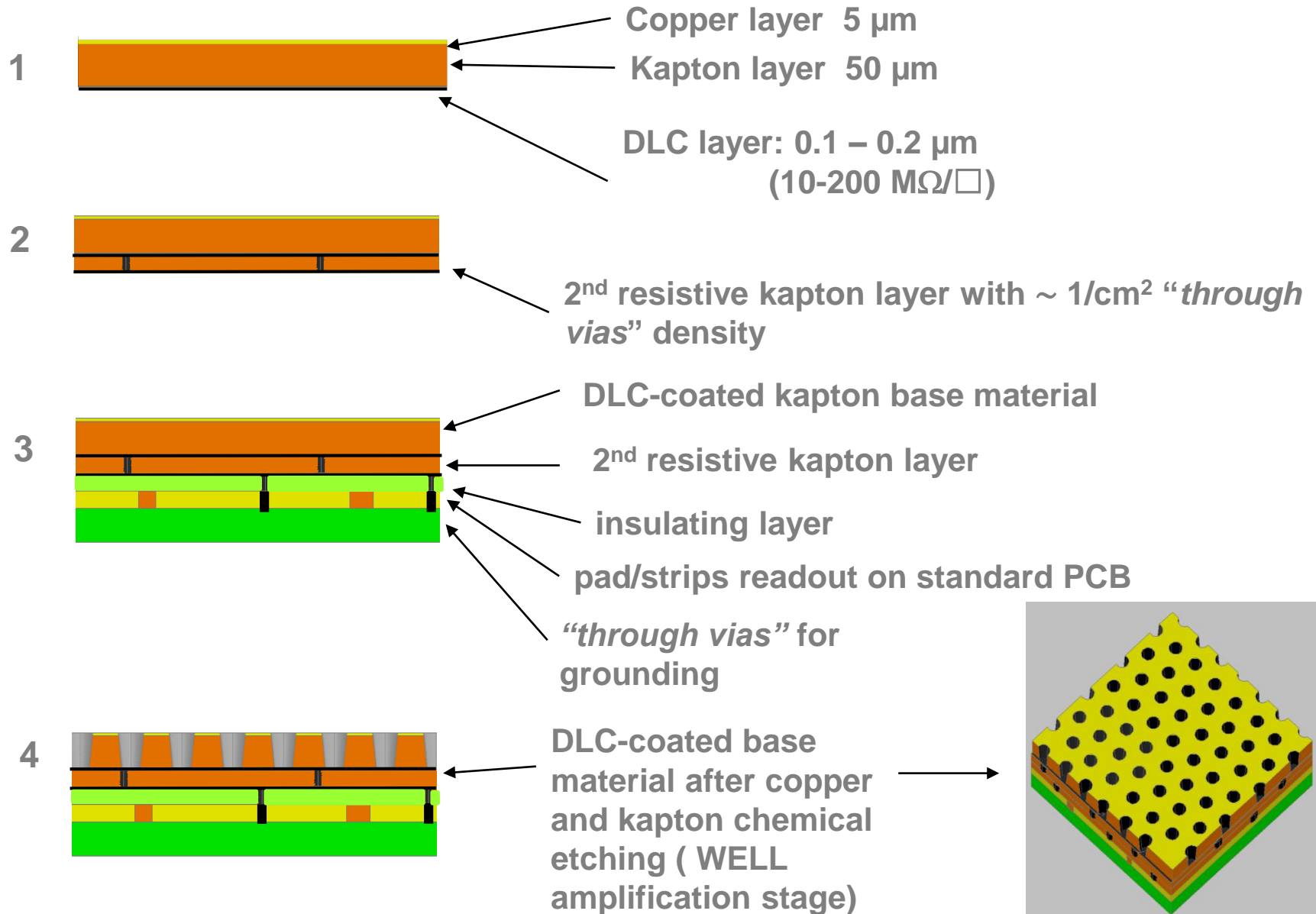
$$\Omega / \Omega' \sim (\rho_s / \rho_s') \times d / 3d'$$

$$\text{If } \rho_s = \rho_s' \Rightarrow \Omega / \Omega' \sim \rho_s / \rho_s' * d / 3d' = 50 / 3 = 16.7$$

(\*) *Morello's model: appendix A-B (G. Bencivenni et al., 2015\_JINST\_10\_P02008)*

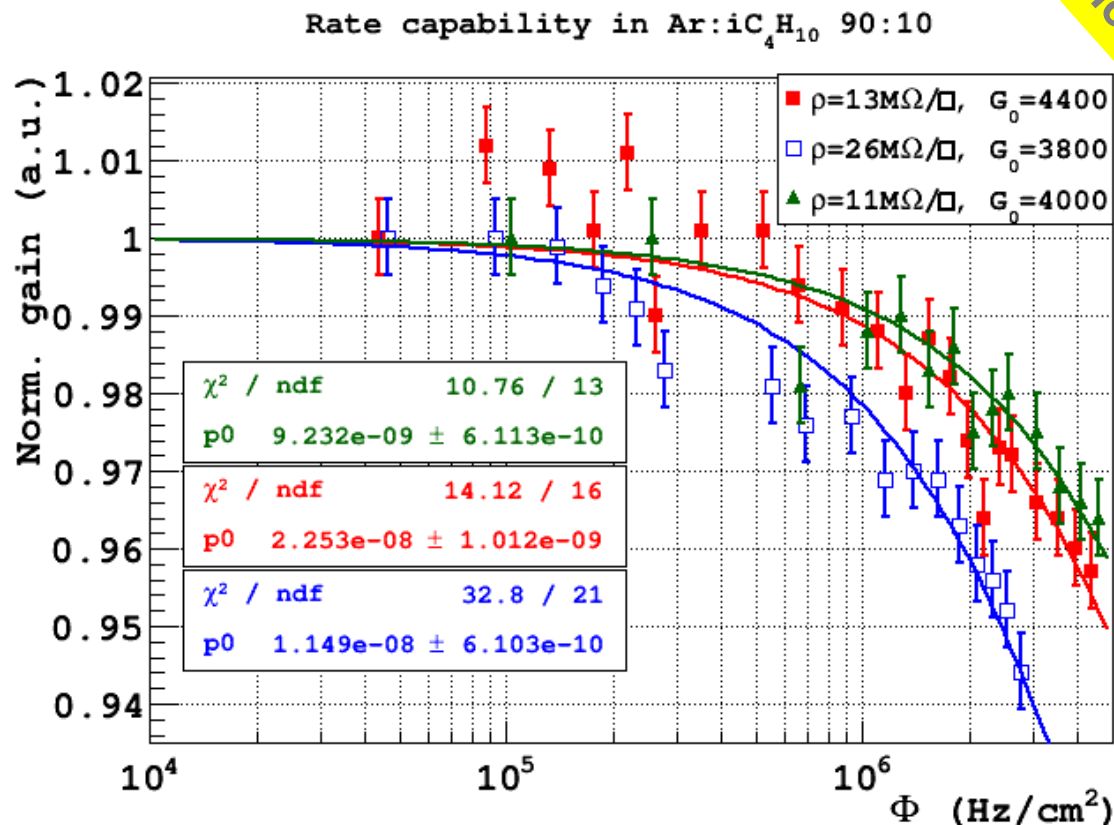


# The High Rate scheme (LHCb)



# Rate capability with X-rays (double layer)

Double resistive layer w/ 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup> through-vias grounding pitch



Local irradiation

for m.i.p. +7

$\Phi = 3.4 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$ ;  $\Phi = 2.8 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$ ;  $\Phi = 1.6 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$

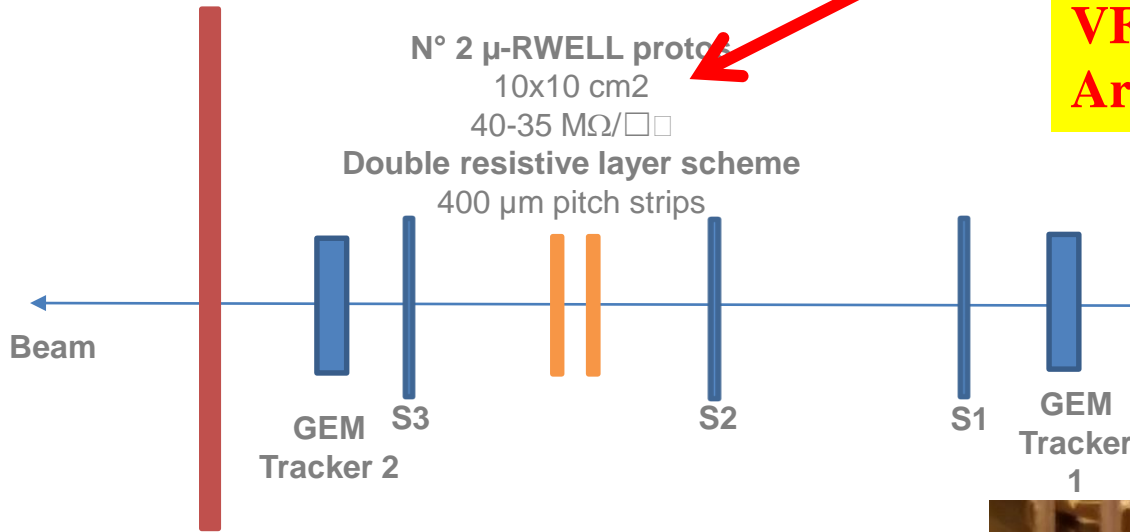
Local irradiation is practically equivalent to global irradiation

# Beam Test (CMS/LHCb collaboration)

H8 Beam Area (18<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016)

Muon/Pion beam: 150 GeV/c

**3  $\mu$ -RWELL prototypes**  
**40-35-70 M $\Omega$  /  $\square$**   
**VFAT (digital FEE)**  
**Ar/CO<sub>2</sub>/CF<sub>4</sub> = 45/15/40**



N° 1  $\mu$ -RWELL proto

100x50 cm<sup>2</sup>

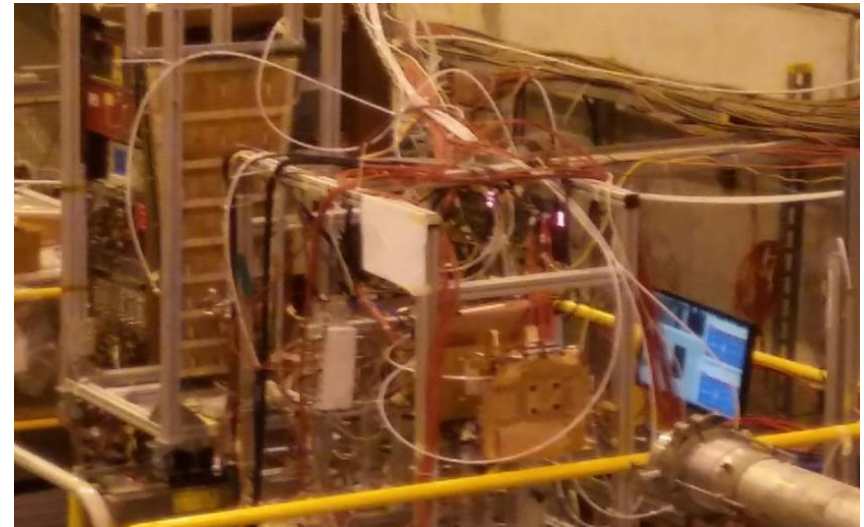
70 M $\Omega$ / $\square$  $\square$

Trigger=S1+S2+S3

Single resistive layer scheme

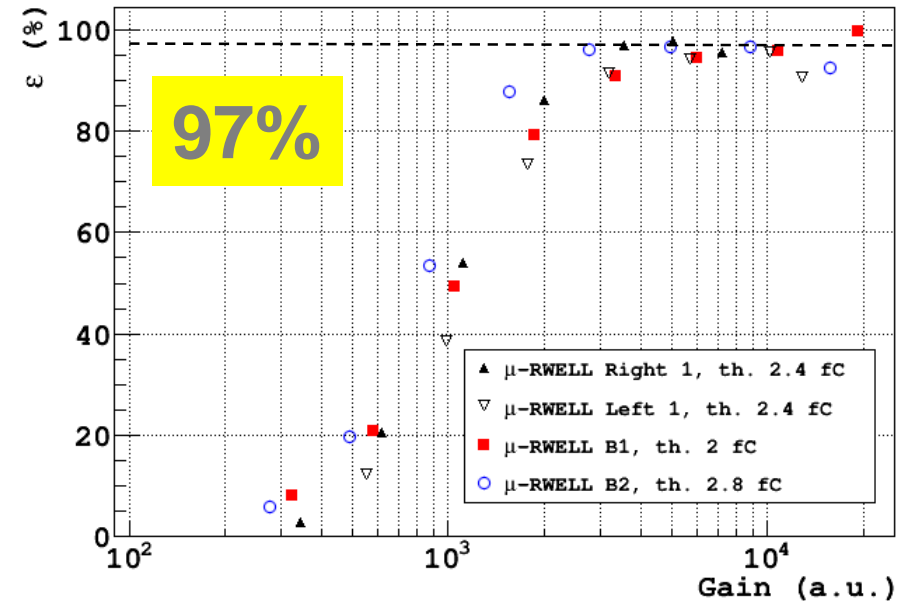
800  $\mu$ m pitch strips

**GOAL: time resolution measurement**  
**(never done before)**

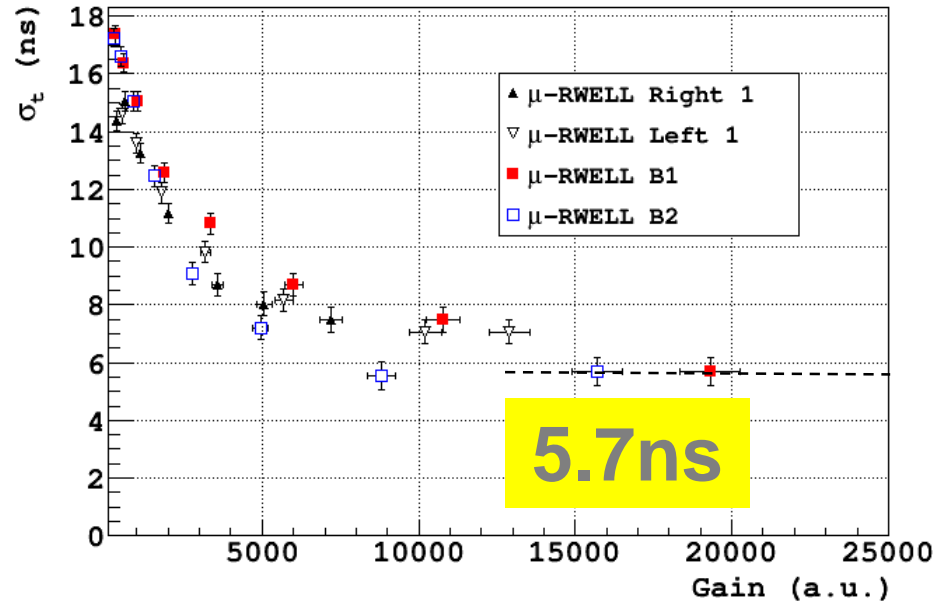


# Time Performance

$\mu$ -RWELLS efficiency vs gain



$\mu$ -RWELLS  $\sigma_t$  vs gain



Different chambers with **different dimensions and resistive schemes** exhibit a **very similar behavior** although realized in **different sites** (large detector realized @ ELTOS)

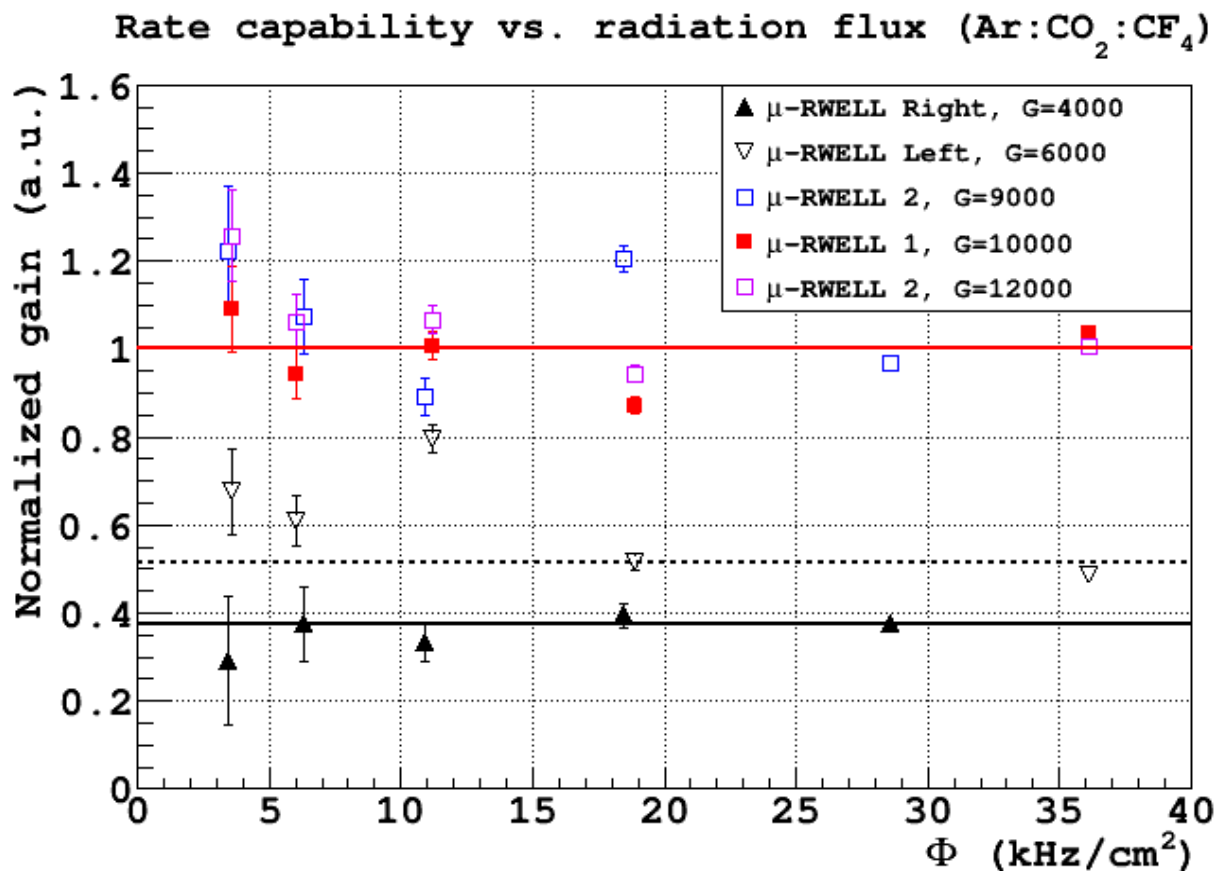
The **saturation at 5.7 ns** is dominated by the fee (measurement done with VFAT2).

To be **compared** with a measurement done with **GEM by some of us in 2004** (LHCb) giving a  $\sigma_t = 4.5$  ns with VTX chip [1].

[1] G. Bencivenni et al, NIM A 494 (2002) 156

# Performance vs Rate

The detectors rate capability (with  $E_d=3.5$  kV/cm) has been measured in current mode with a pion beam and irradiating an area of  $>3 \times 3$  cm<sup>2</sup> (FWHM) (medium size irradiation,  $\sim 10$  cm<sup>2</sup> spot)



Double resistive layer  
(High Rate scheme)

Single resistive layer  
(Low Rate scheme)

# SUMMARY of WP13.2.4

The  $\mu$ -RWELL R&D in AIDA2020 is matching the schedule, with very good results.

The most important performance of the detector have been measured:

- ✓ gas gain  $> 10^4$
- ✓ intrinsically spark protected
- ✓ rate capability  $\gg 1 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$  (HR version)
- ✓ space resolution  $< 60\mu\text{m}$
- ✓ time resolution  $< 6 \text{ ns}$



The 1<sup>st</sup> milestone has been successfully fulfilled:

- ✓ **MS13.3:** Small-size prototype of the  $\mu$  -RWELL (built and qualified prototype - M24)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> milestone foreseen for M44:

- ❖ **D13.4 :** Large-size prototype of  $\mu$ -RWELL (a large-size fully engineered and validated prototype of the  $\mu$ -RWELL - demonstrator)

# **WP 13.4.5: tools for readout PCB QC**

# Preparation of tools for large series production

## Task 13.4.5

### Design of an automatic system to check the electrical integrity of electrode patterns by pulse reflection method

#### Activity 2016-2017 subdivided in two sub-tasks:

1. Design and implementation of a TDC embedded structure in the Time Domain Reflectometer (TDR) control logic
2. Construction of the prototype chamber with  $\mu$ -RWell technology & related readout PCB for CMS R&D phase\_2, as proof of concept for the TDR

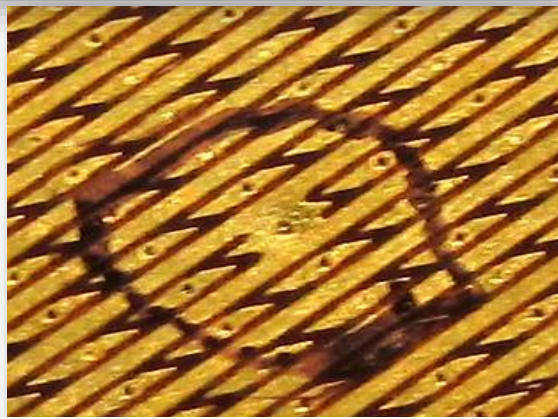
Participants: INFN-Bari, INFN-LNF



# Design of a TDC embedded structure in control logic (I)

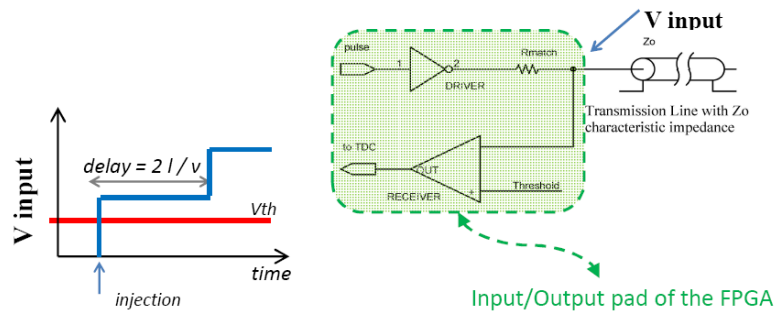
TDR exploits time measurements -> TDC

The aim of this work is the development of a **device capable to find defects on a micro-strips readout plane of a MPGD** under test through the **search of discontinuities in the impedance profile which cause reflection of injected pulses.**



Example: 2D readout geometry

- The drawing shows the run of a signal, in this case a **transition from low to high state, injected into an un-terminated transmission line**
- The first edge occurs when the signal is injected at the input** while the **second edge is observed after that the signal reflected comes back** (in red a threshold level)



A time resolution of **about 100 ps** is required to appreciate **length differences of about 1 cm**



1'st TDR proto's

**ISSUE: Temperature stability:**  
➤ The only reliable method is to put one TDC/channel

By analysing the **delay of the reflected signal**, it is possible to evaluate the length of a **transmission line**, a micro-strip in the device under test. This length will be as expected by design if the **micro-strip is intact**, then **shorter** if there is an interruption somewhere along the strip and **longer or shorter**, due to multiple reflections, whether some close strips are **shorted together**

A **2<sup>nd</sup> release of the TDR board** has foreseen **n.4 TDCs per FPGA**, so that **each TDC sequentially read/out n.32 strip channels**. Wrt the previous version, the new board is **more stable and precise** and **doesn't require tedious repeating calibration procedures**, having **solved the problem of thermal instability**.

Temperature stability issue solved with new release:

- The only reliable method is to put one TDC/channel
- The new release contains one TDC per channel



2<sup>nd</sup> TDR electronics card

Workbench with 7 TDR modules connected to an anodic sheet under test and through Ethernet to PC for logging and control

# Summary

## Milestones & Deliverables

- **MS13.10 - Quality control system to ensure the electrical integrity of readout electrode for MPGDs (prototype of a Time Domain Reflectometer: M24) → successfully fulfilled**

MS13.6	TDR development using TDR technology and 3D modelling of chips for the TDR readout	13	M11	Prototype
MS13.7	Mechanical structure and supports for large, thin-gap RPCs	13	M30	Prototype
MS13.8	Optical system for the quality assessment of MPGD foil/mesh mechanical tensioning	13	M12	Demonstrator
MS13.9	Integrated FBG sensors for monitoring the mechanical tension of MPGD films and meshes	13	M24	Prototype
<b>MS13.10</b>	<b>Quality control system to ensure the electrical integrity of electrode patterns</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>M24</b>	<b>Prototype</b>
MS13.11	Protocol and specifications for MPGD production and quality control	13	M36	Report to StCom
MS14.1	Commissioning of Fibre Testbenches	14	M24	Running system results
MS14.2	Specification of systems for highly granular scintillator tests	14	M12	Report to StCom
MS14.3	Assembly and QA chain demonstration for highly granular silicon calorimeters	14	M12	2-3 operational layers produced
	Design specifications of test stations for irradiated silicon sensors and TDR oriented front-end			

- **Designed a new TDC scheme inside the FPGA (firmware) to overcome the temperature instability**
- **As soon as new anodic foils will be delivered for a GE2/1 CMS chamber based on the  $\mu$ -RWell technology, tests with TDR device will be performed and results will be reported**

backup

# WELL amplification stage: thickness studies

The increase of the thickness of the amplification stage (Kapton base material thickness) from the standard (GEM like) 50  $\mu\text{m}$  up to 125  $\mu\text{m}$  should result in a **increase of the detector gain.**

The program for THICK  $\mu$ -RWELL was started by the end of 2016

**BUT**

We discovered etching problem with single mask technique (the natural one for  $\mu$ -RWELL): the needed etching along the whole thickness (125  $\mu\text{m}$ ) results in a too large diameter hole ( $> 100 \mu\text{m}$ ) thus strongly affecting the effective GAIN of the hole itself (exactly the opposite of the desired goal)

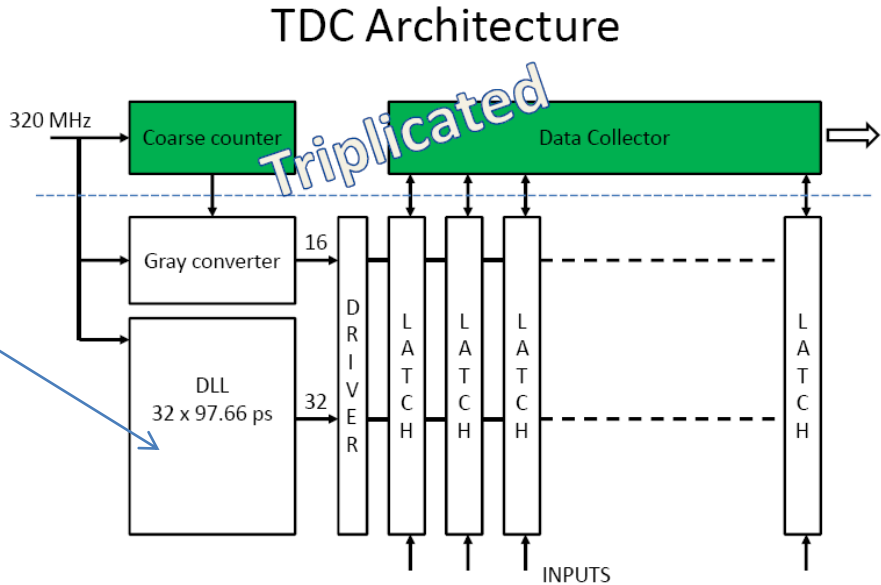
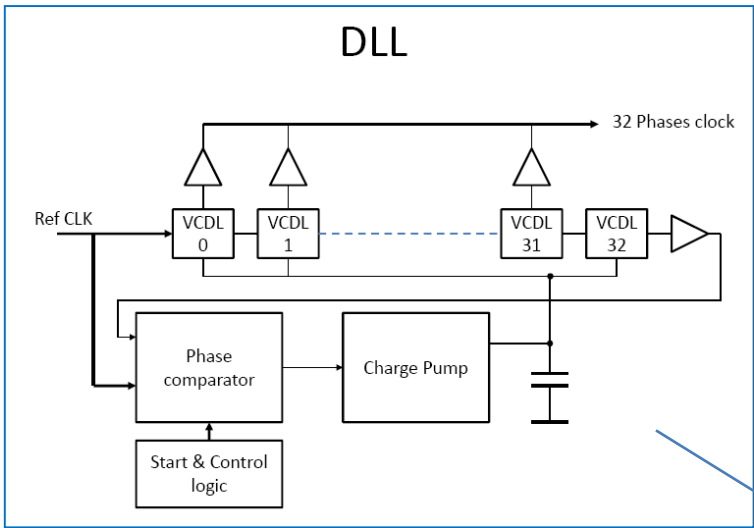
**THEN**

Some change in the manufacturing of the high gain detector is clearly required ( $\rightarrow$  double mask etching + floating amplification stage; ...)

Anyway we have demonstrated that using suitable gas mix the detector achieve  
a Gain 2-3 x 10<sup>4</sup>

# 1. Design of a TDC embedded structure in control logic (II)

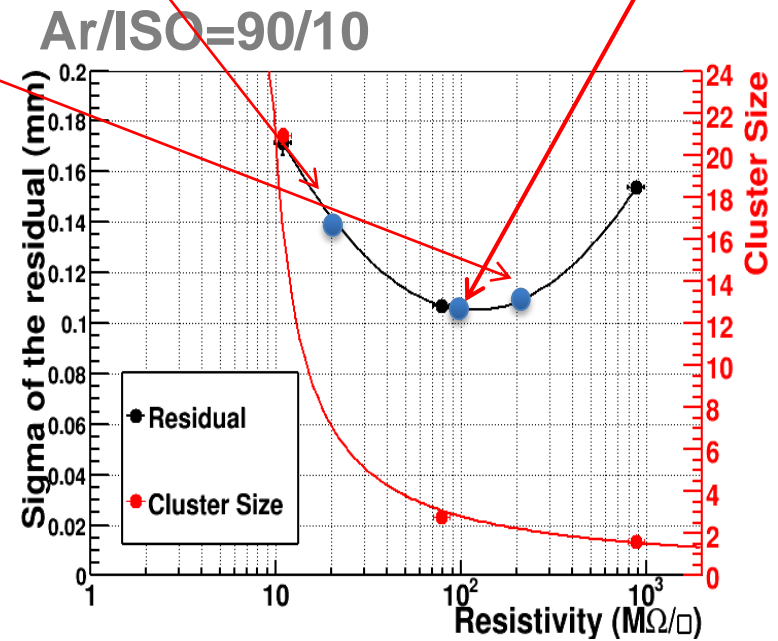
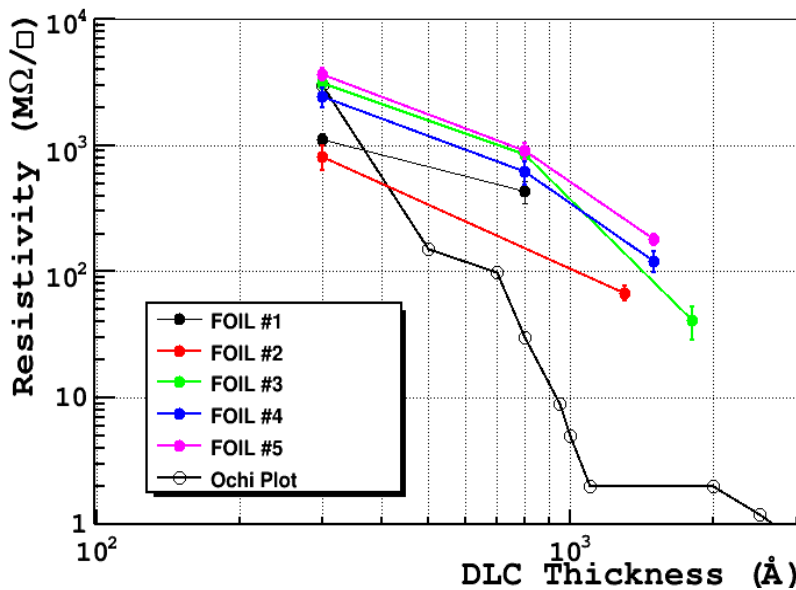
- Reference clock 320 MHz (better than that previous version: 250MHz)
- Measured (after simulation) timing resolution:  $\leq 100ps$
- 5 bits fine counter + 16 bits coarse counter
- 33 channels (32 comparator + 1 test input)



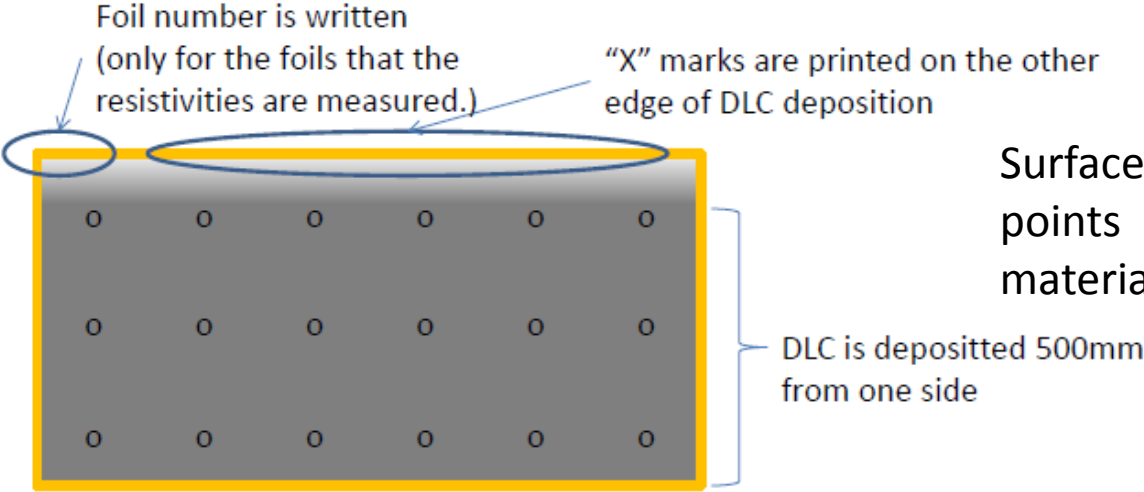
# DLC sputtering on Kapton foils (supervised by A.Ochi)

DLC sputtering on large Kapton foils (w/copper on one side) completed @ Be-Sputter Co., Ltd (Japan)

	Foil 1 (800A)	Foil 2 (1300A)	Foil 3 (1800A)	Foil 4 (1500A)	Foil 5 (1500A)
Average Surface Resistivity $M\Omega/\square$	433±90	68±9	41±12	122±22	180±17



# Surface resistivity map (A. Ochi, Kobe – Univ., Japan)



Surface resistivity measured on a 18 points of the 600x1200 mm<sup>2</sup> kapton base material

- Unit is Mohm/sq.

**No.1**

70.2	82.6	75.3	73.1	73.9	73.2
76.8	86.2	87.0	85.6	86.6	71.7
65.4	71.5	72.4	66.7	69.2	65.8

**No.4**

39.4	46.2	52.1	62.7	58.8	57.1
32.5	37.3	41.3	44.7	47.1	44.2
41.1	49.1	53.8	57.0	61.4	55.4

**No.2**

42.4	48.0	45.6	46.3	49.4	40.0
39.4	41.5	40.6	42.1	40.7	36.3
48.4	53.4	51.7	51.6	51.8	39.5

**No.5**

48.4	54.6	58.8	61.4	66.4	62.0
52.0	57.1	62.2	67.4	72.0	62.8
44.6	47.2	49.4	55.0	58.2	56.7

**No.3**

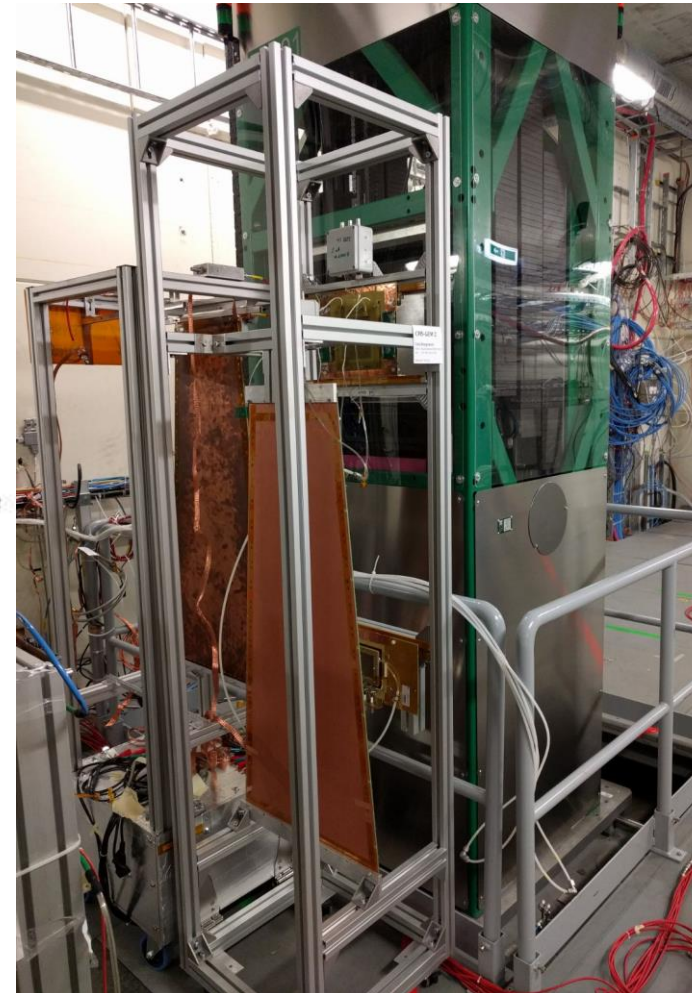
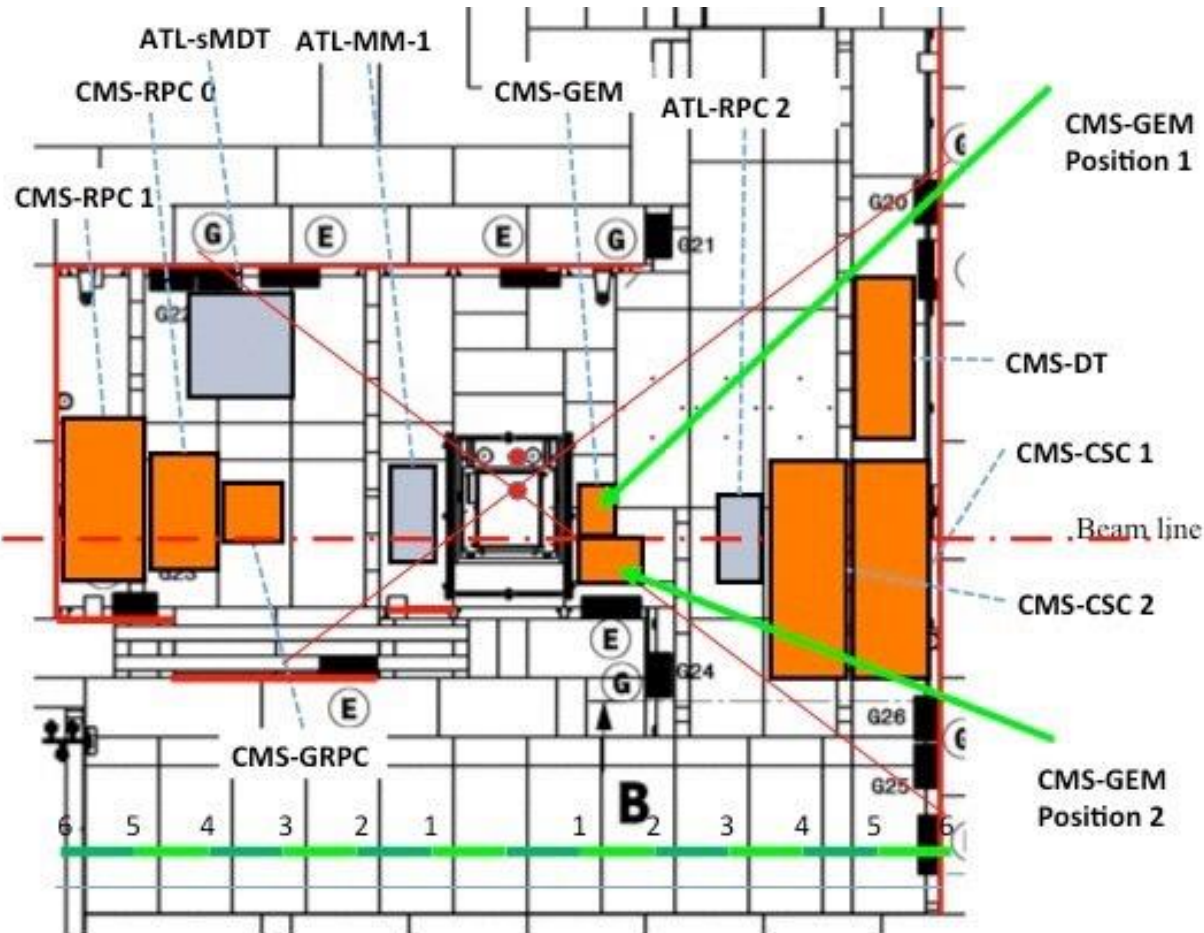
65.7	73.4	73.8	66.6	63.8	50.9
79.2	90.9	83.5	79.4	76.6	61.4
67.8	75.4	65.5	57.8	57.4	51.6

**No.6**

39.8	44.7	39.4	38.1	36.1	33.4
33.4	35.9	33.8	31.2	28.7	27.7
45.5	45.8	41.9	38.3	36.2	35.2



# Ageing test @ GIF++



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# $\mu$ -RWELL detector: the AIDA2020 program (II)

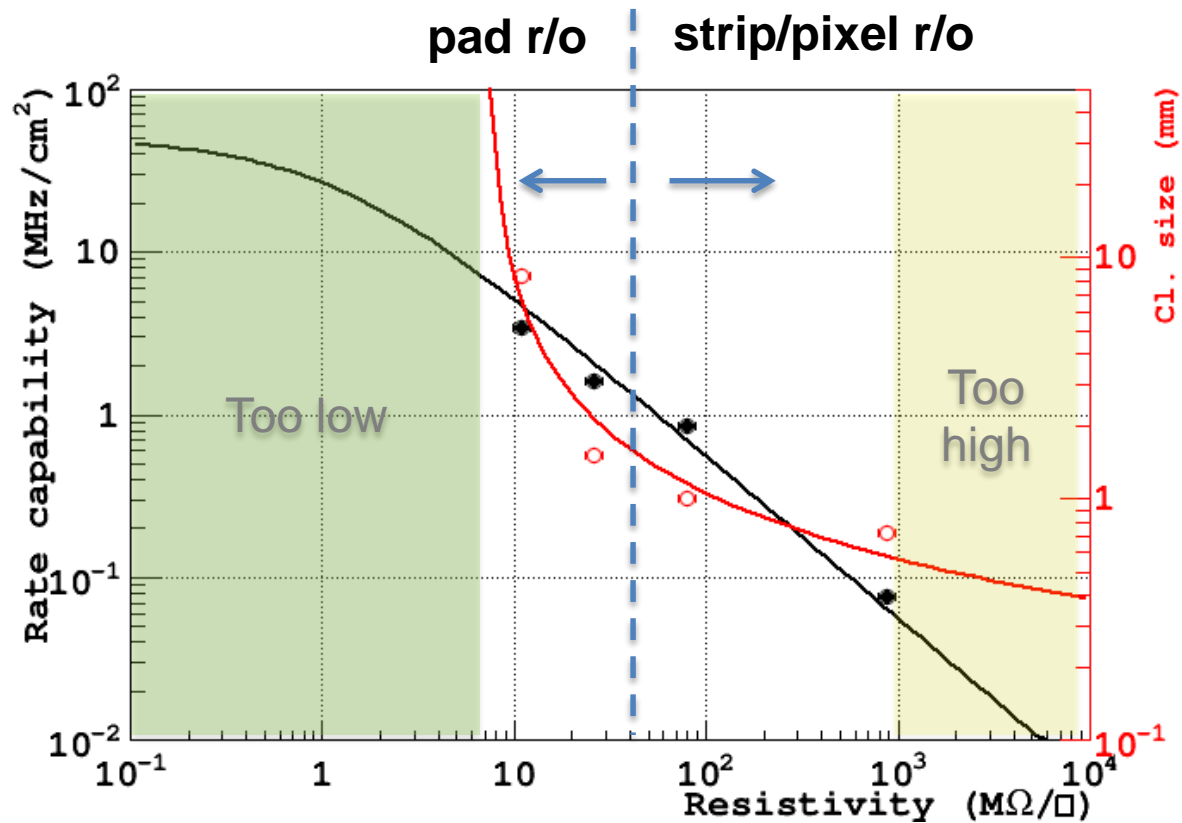
2. Detector engineering for large area tracking & digital calorimetry applications:
  - i. Design of large area demonstrator
  - ii. Large area readout design
  - iii. Study of FEE-detector coupling

Work to be done in the second 24 months (M24-48)

# MILESTONES

- **MS13.3:** Small-size prototype of the  $\mu$ -RWELL (a built and qualified prototype - **M24**)
- **D13.4 :** Large-size prototype of  $\mu$ -RWELL (a large-size fully engineered and validated prototype of the  $\mu$ -RWELL (demonstrator - **M44**))

# Combining the information



Qualitatively: low resistivity  $\rightarrow$  pad r/out & higher rate  
high resistivity  $\rightarrow$  strip/pixel r/out & lower rate