### **New CERN CO<sub>2</sub> Test Facility** for Mini- and Micro-channels

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- Test facility
- Research plan
- Conclusion





# MOTIVATION





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### **MOTIVATION**







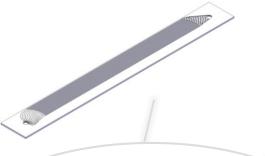
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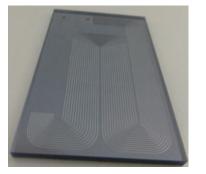






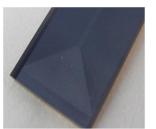


#### **MAIN OBJECTIVE:**



Characterization of thermal properties and pressure drop behavior of µ-channel cooling devices









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### Definition of **common needs** for the institutes



### Definition of the state-of-the-art test stand





### APPROACH

### **Common parameters of interest**

- mass flux
- fluid pressure
- fluid temperature
- heat dissipation
- pressure drop

### **Resources available at CERN**

- evaporative CO<sub>2</sub> is the chosen refrigerant
- Transportable Refrigeration Apparatus for CO<sub>2</sub> Investigation = TRACI developed at CERN
  - CO2 is an eco-friendly alternative
  - mass flux is adjustable (by-passing)
  - temperature range from ~ +20 to -25  $^{\circ}{\rm C}$
  - CO2 is re-circulated



Fig. 1  $\text{CO}_2$  refrigeration apparatus at CERN





### APPROACH

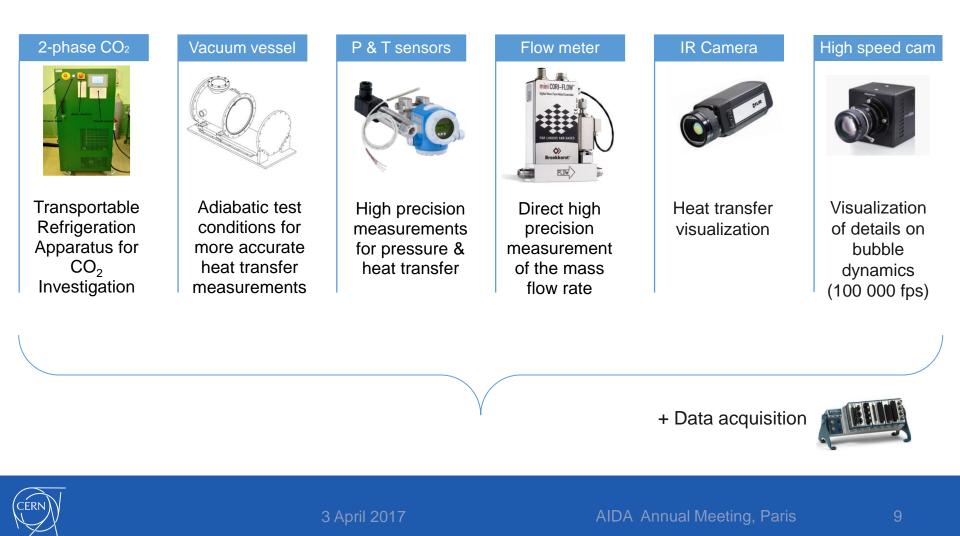


State-of-the-art test stand	extended version
Parameters under test	Method
Fluid flow properties	DIRECT: Flow visualization with high speed camera
	INDIRECT: Temperature & pressure sensors
Heat transfer	DIRECT: Temperature measurements in the flow and on surrounding equipment
	INDIRECT: Heat transfer visualization with infrared camera
Pressure drop	Absolute & relative pressure transducers

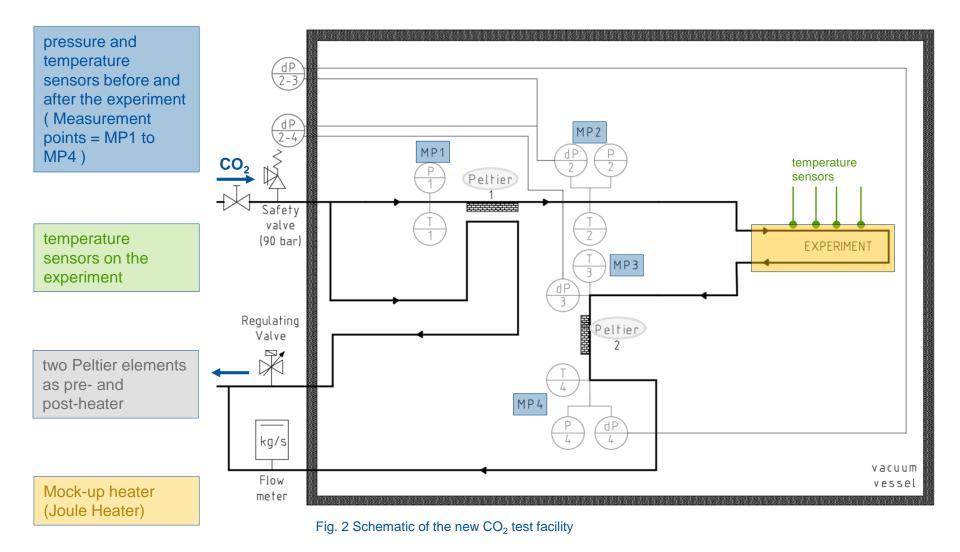




#### More controlled measurement surroundings are ensured by following components:









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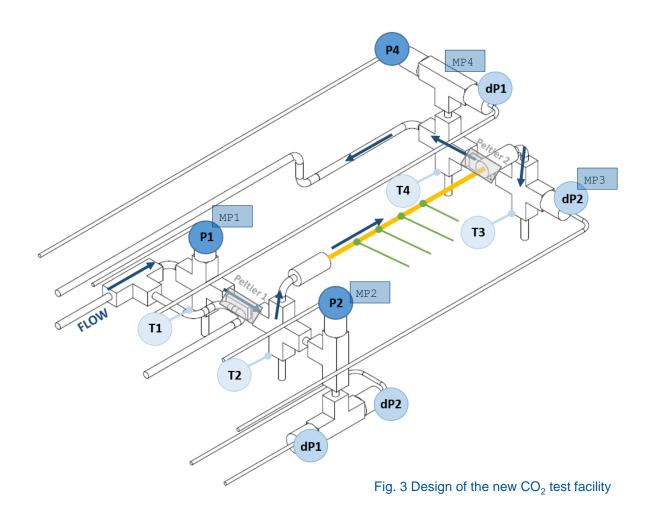


pressure and temperature sensors before and after the experiment ( Measurement points = MP1 to MP4 )

temperature sensors on the experiment

two Peltier elements as pre- and post-heater

Mock-up heater (Joule Heater)



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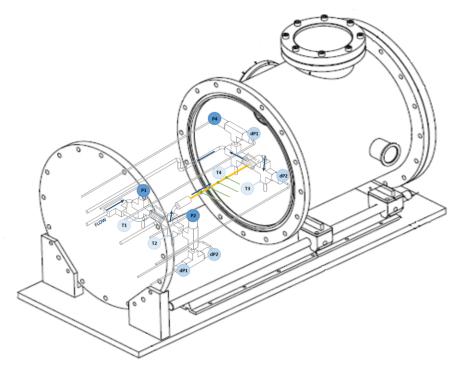


Fig. 4 Schematic of the new CO<sub>2</sub> test facility with vacuum vessel

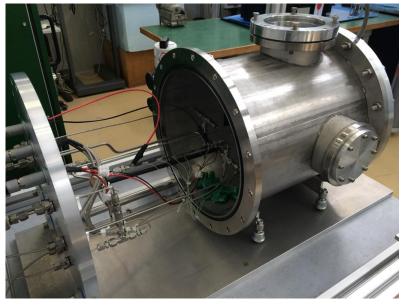


Fig. 5 Experiment section and vacuum vessel of the new  $\rm CO_2$  test facility







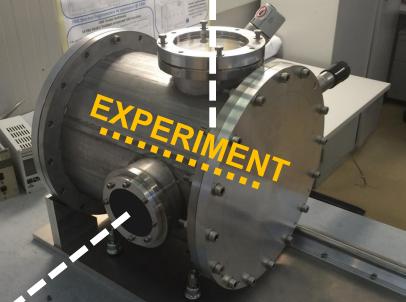
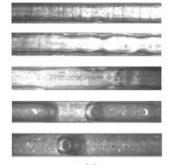
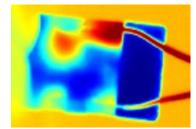


Fig. 6 Vacuum vessel of the new CO<sub>2</sub> test facility





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Fig. 7 New test facility for evaporative  $CO_2$  flow measurements in miniand micro-channels (I)

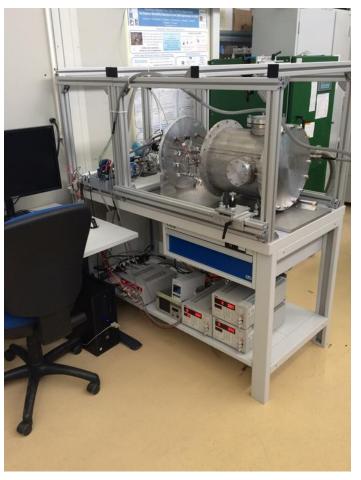


Fig. 8 New test facility for evaporative  $CO_2$  flow measurements in mini- and micro-channels (II)



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Fig. 9 Differential & absolute pressure sensors and flow meter outside the vacuum vessel

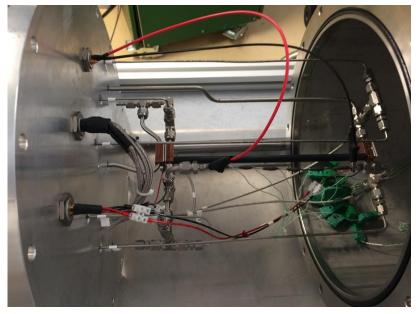


Fig. 10 Experiment section within the vessel

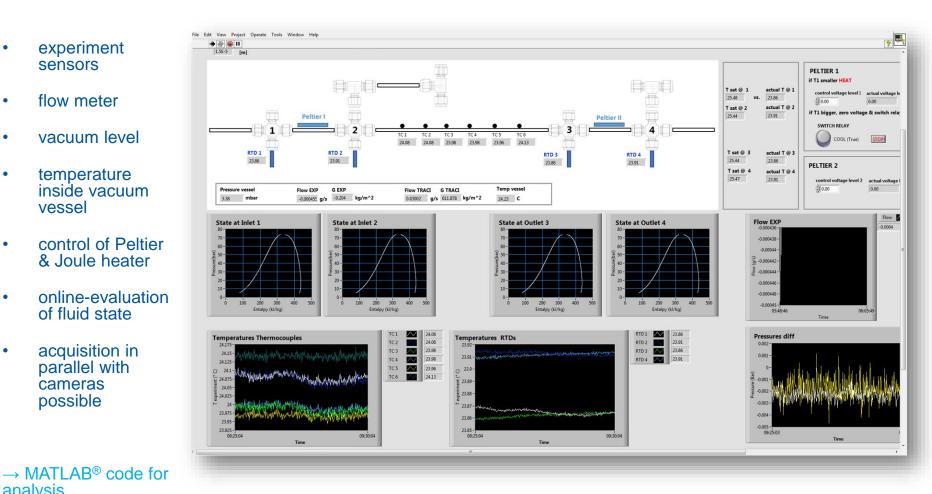


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#### **DATA AQUISITION** with LabVIEW®

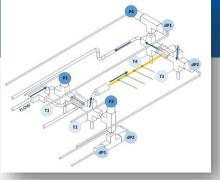
- experiment sensors
- flow meter •
- vacuum level •
- temperature • inside vacuum vessel
- control of Peltier • & Joule heater
- online-evaluation • of fluid state
- acquisition in • parallel with cameras possible

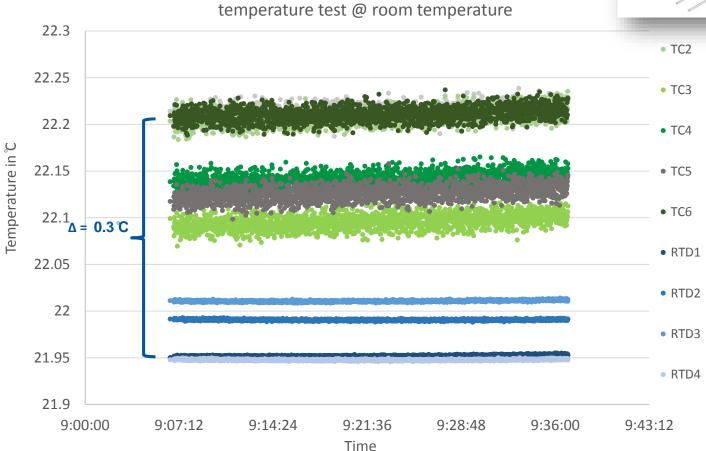




analysis

#### **SENSOR CHECK:** Temperature

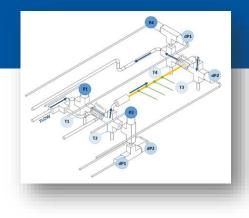


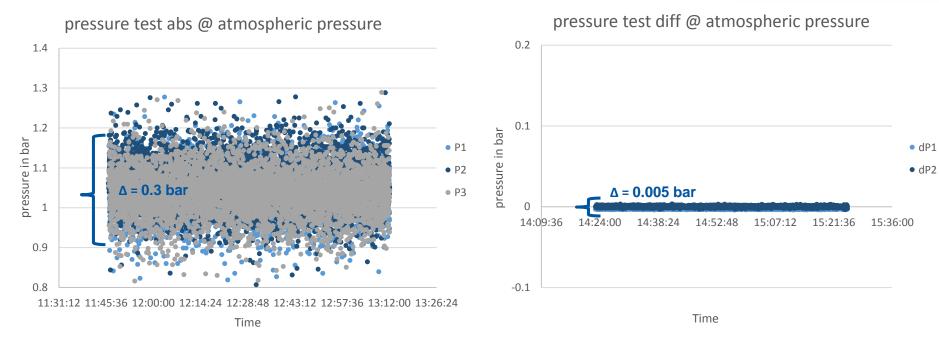




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#### SENSOR CHECK: Pressure







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**GOALS** for experimental research on evaporative flow of  $CO_2$  in mini- and micro-channels at CERN:

- Create a larger and reliable database for CO<sub>2</sub> pressure drops, heat transfer coefficient and flow patterns in mini- and microchannels for model upgrades
- Extend research towards negative fluid temperatures and micrometer sized channel diameters
- Find and test a theoretical **micro-channel definition**





### **STEP 1** : Test simple single channels / tubes (ID < 2 mm)

To address the complexity of the physical processes occurring in micro-channels and for their better understanding

### **STEP 2 : Test more complex channel geometries**

To address the immediate need for micro-channel cooling in HEP experiments using the gathered insights and results from Step 1



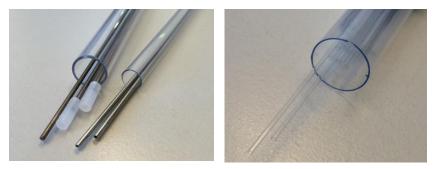
# **RESEARCH PLAN**

### **STEP 1:**

#### **ROUND SINGLE CHANNELS**

Stainless Steel		Glass (Bo	Glass (Borosilicate)	
ID [mm] OD [mm]		ID [mm]	OD [mm]	
0.13	1.58	0.2	1 0.17	
0.25	1.58	0.15	5 0.25	
0.5	1.58	0.2	2 0.33	
0.75	1.58	0.3	3 0.4	
1	1.58	0.5	5 0.7	
1.5	3.175	0.7	7 0.87	
2	3.175	0.8	8 1	
			1 1.2	
		1.5	5 1.8	
			2 2.4	

Titanium		
ID [mm] OD [m	חm]	
0.3	1.58	
0.5	1.58	
0.8	1.58	



#### **SQUARED SINGLE CHANNELS**

#### Glass (Borosilicate)

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inner cross-section [mm]	wall thickness [mm]
0.1 x 0.1	0.05
0.8 x 0.8	0.16
0.3 x 0.3	0.15
0.2 x 0.2	0.1
1.0 x 1.0	0.2
0.5 x 0.5	0.1
0.7 x 0.7	0.14



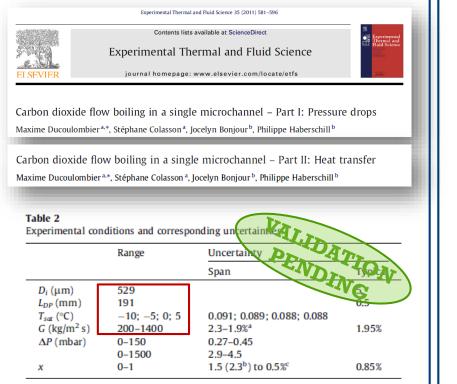




### **RESEARCH PLAN**



#### **RESEARCH PROPOSALS for STEP 1:**



<sup>a</sup> Including the uncertainty due to the inner diameter.

<sup>b</sup> Taking into account the maximum uncertainty due to conduction heat leaks, for the lowest mass flux.

 $^{\rm c}$  Assuming a quality of 1 (unfavourable case); uncertainty mainly depends on mass flux.

**Micro-channel definition** 



- based on the preliminary work of Y. Moussy
- a possible definition was found
- by means of the bubble departure diameter

 $Def_{\mu} = \mathcal{F}(G, \Delta p, T \dots)$ 





### CONCLUSION



- Internal setup to test µ-channel cooling devices is completed
- ✓ Uncertainty level of the experiments can be limited
- Test stand allows for a wide temperature range
- $\checkmark$  CO<sub>2</sub> is an eco-friendly alternative to other refrigerants

- Component test finished
- Research program launched for first tests



# OUTLOOK



- **Control** the new setup for flow of evaporative  $CO_2$  in  $\mu$ -channels
- Carry out measurements
- Compare results with literature



 Use findings for better understanding of the physical behaviour of the flow in µ-channels











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