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# MPGD: Muography of Pyramids with Gaseous Detectors



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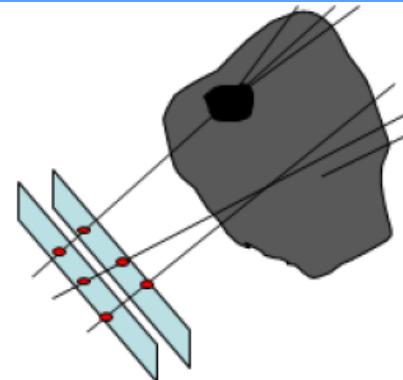
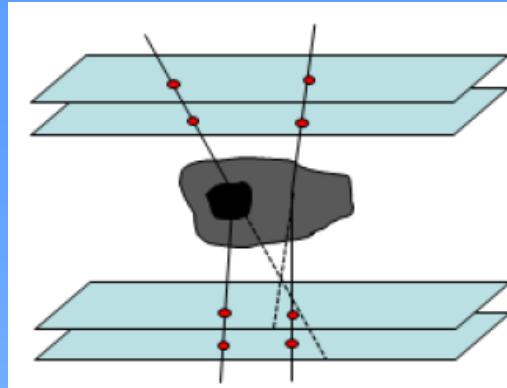


- Reminder on muography
- Muon telescopes
- ScanPyramids data taking, analysis and results
- Perspectives

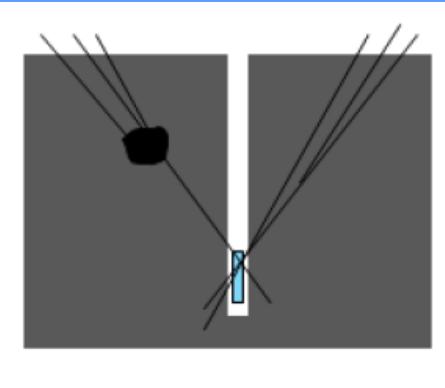
# REMINDER ON MUOGRAPHY

→ Use natural cosmic rays to probe objects & structures

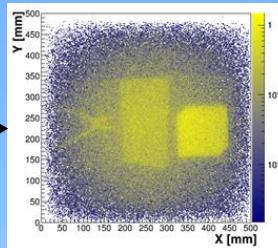
- *Multiple scattering*



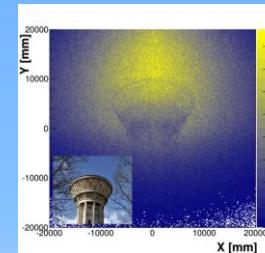
- *Energy loss*



**Deviation**



**Transmission (& Absorption)**



- *3D imaging (diffusion point)*
- $\rho$  and Z measurement (deviation angle)
- « Fast » (from minutes to days)

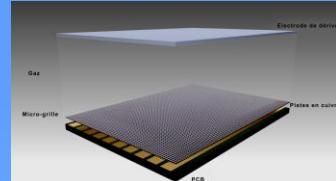
- *2D imaging (muon flux)*
- *Opacity measurement*
- *Slow (from days to months)*

→ Many applications: volcanology, archeology, civil engineering, nuclear reactor monitoring

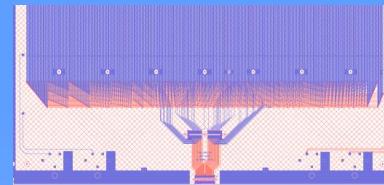
# MUON TELESCOPES: INGREDIENTS

- Detector

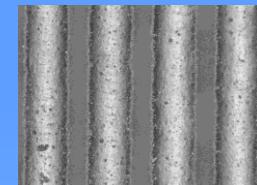
- *Micromegas*



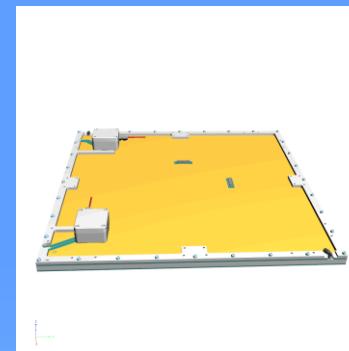
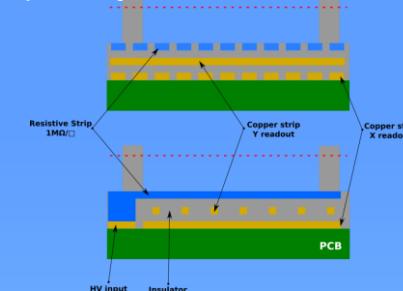
- *Genetic multiplexing*



- *Resistive film (screen printing)*



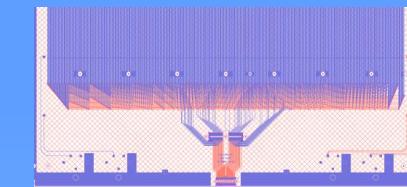
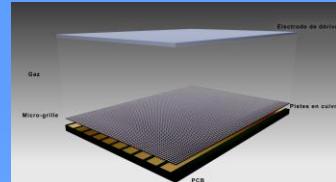
- *2D readout*



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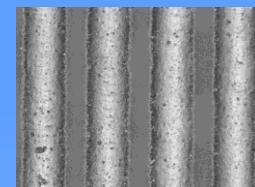
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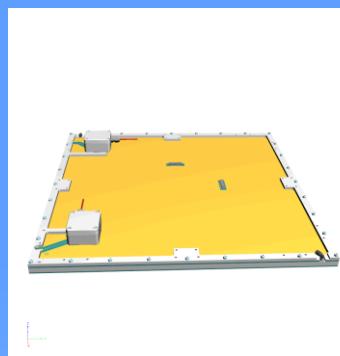
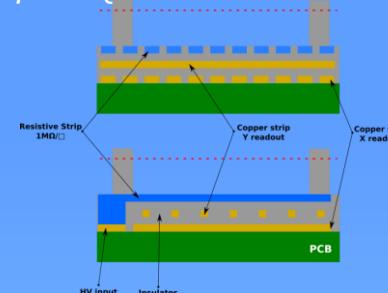


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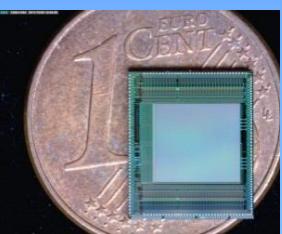


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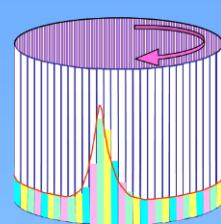


- Electronics and other components

- *DREAM asic*



- *Self-triggering*



- *HV modules (CAEN)*



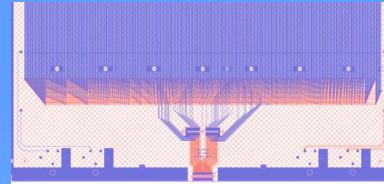
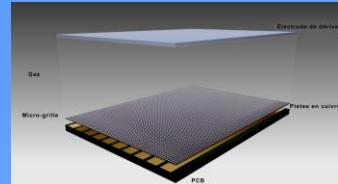
- *Nano-PC*



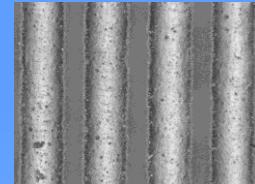
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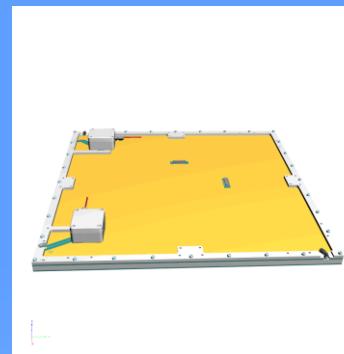
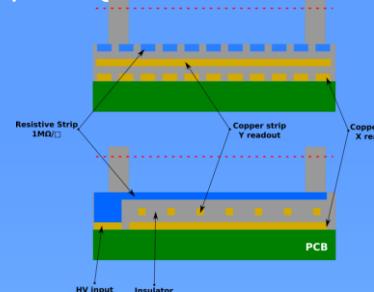
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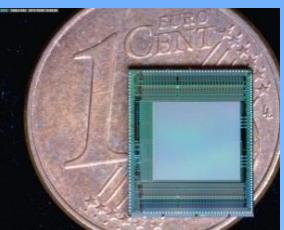


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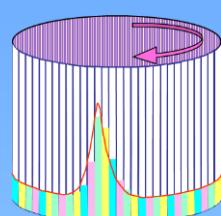


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⇒ Final product



*WatTo (2015)*



*TomoMu (2015-)*



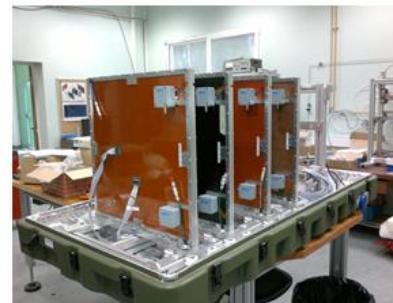
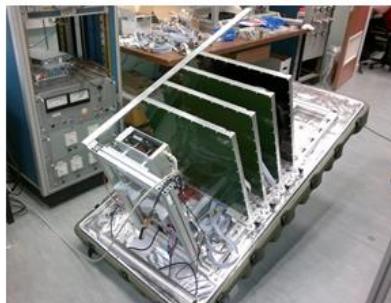
*M-Cube (2016-2017)*



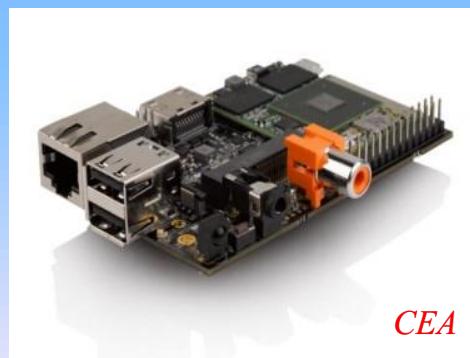
*ScanPyramids (2016-)*

# SCANPYRAMIDS TELESCOPES

- 3 telescopes, built in 2016
  - 12 detectors, 8 from ELVIA



- Self triggering mode, requires at least 5 out of 8 coordinates
- Nano-PC performs common noise subtraction, clustering & track reconstruction



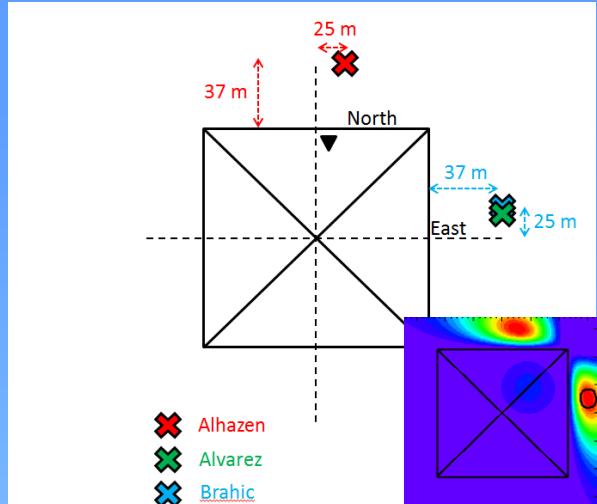
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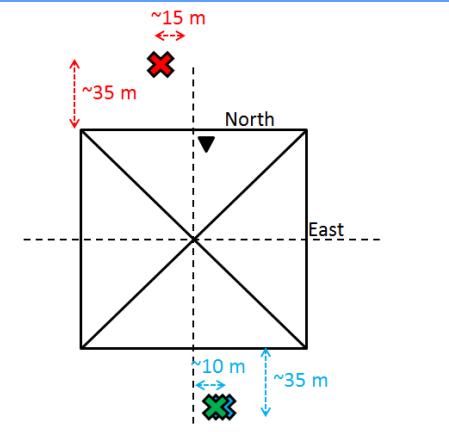
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- 3 missions between 2016 & 2017

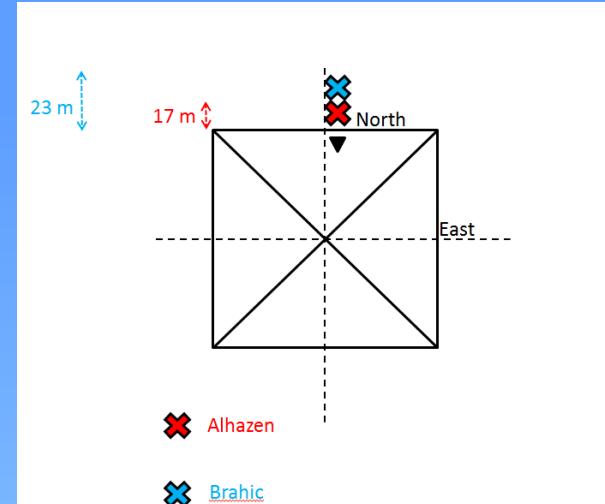
*1<sup>st</sup> mission (jun-aug 2016)*



*2<sup>nd</sup> mission (jan-april 2017)*



*3<sup>rd</sup> mission 3 (may-jul 2017)*

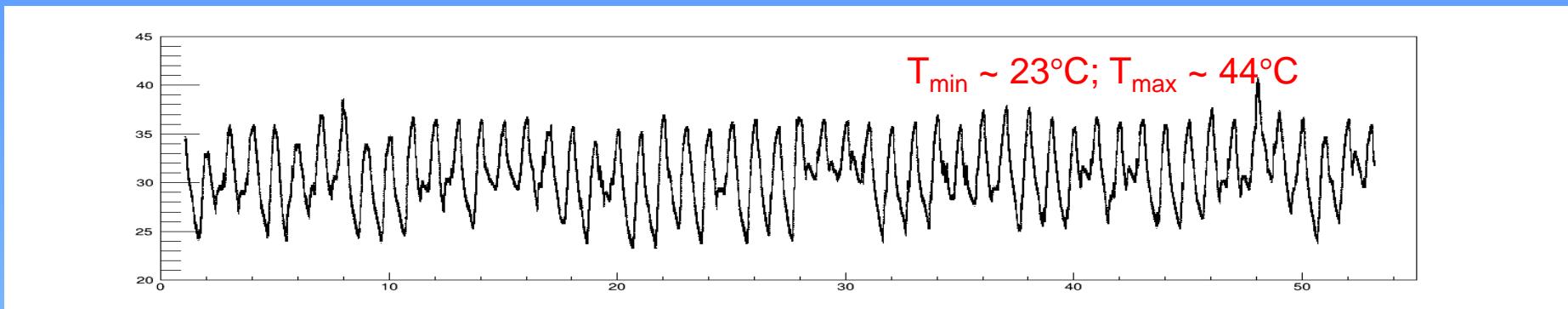


# DATA TAKING

- Relatively smooth...

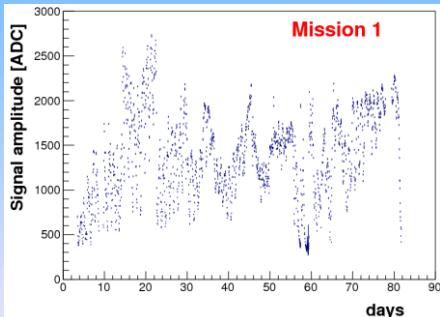


- ... with large temperature variations

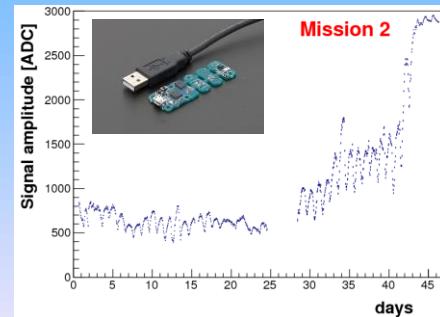


- Successive improvements on the signal stability

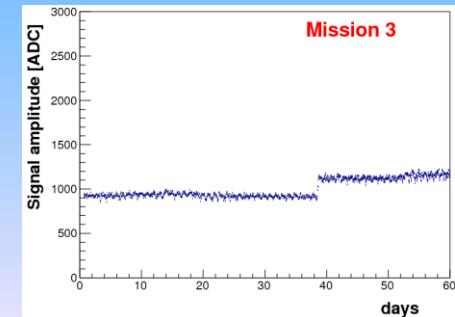
- *Feedback with outside T*



- *Feedback with inside T*

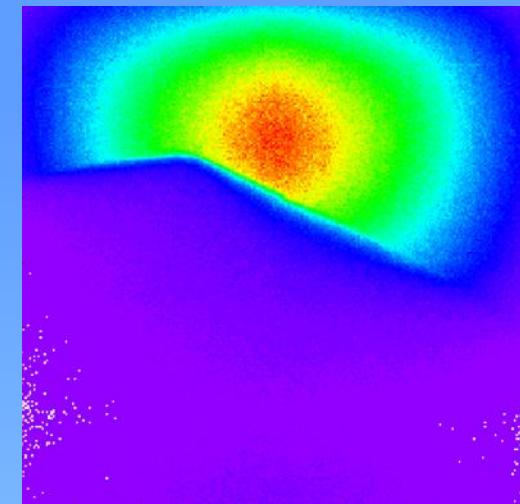
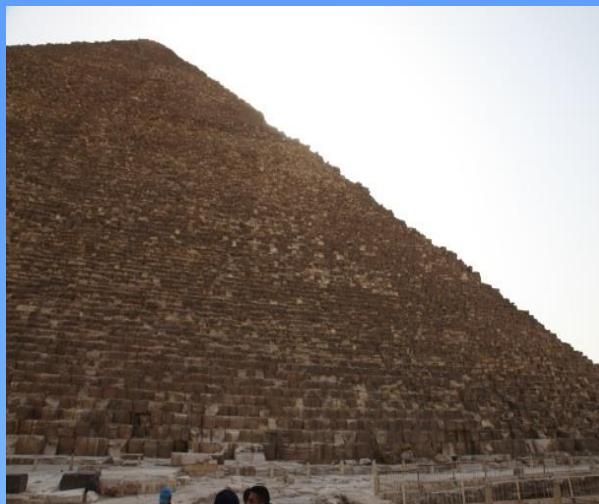


- *Amplitude feedback (S. P. & S. Bouteille)*

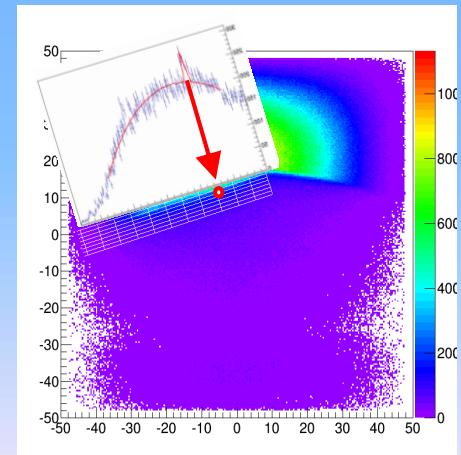
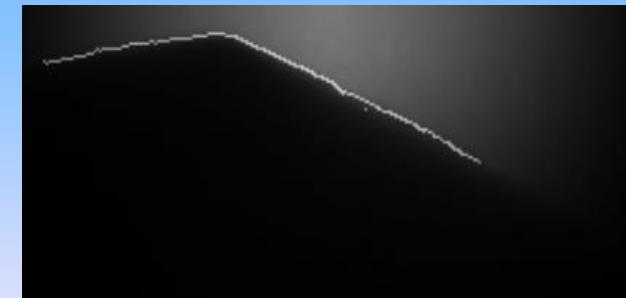
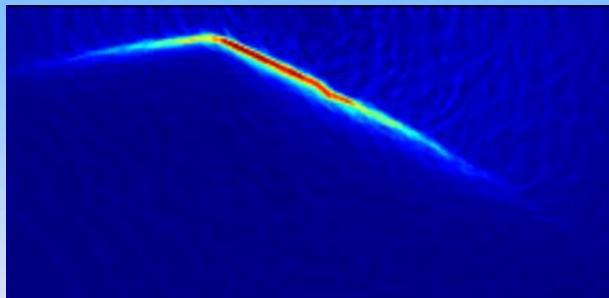


# ANALYSIS

- Necessity to adjust photo and muo for comparison with 3D model



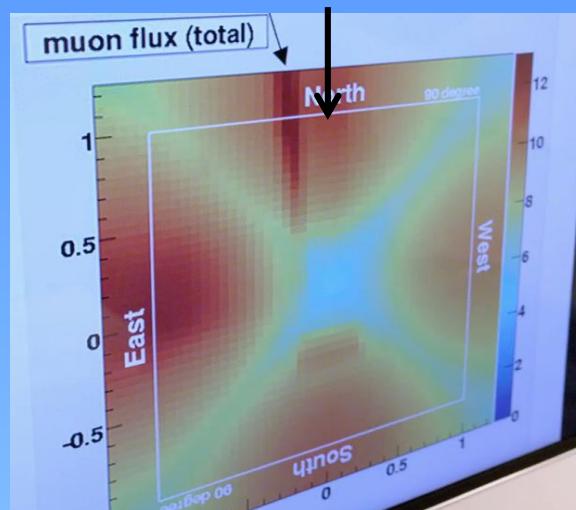
- Requires edge detection (image filtering)



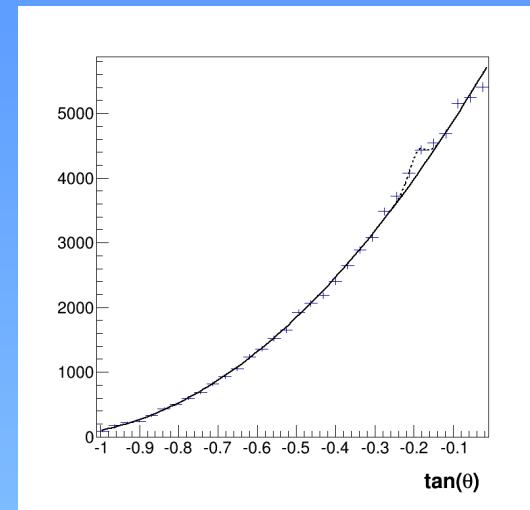
# RESULTS

- Early 2017: 1st results from Nagoya emulsion in Queen's Chamber...

*Significant muon excess close to  
the Grand Galery      ⇒ void*



*Anomalies appearing also on KEK scintillator  
(Queen's Chamber), and on CEA telescope (North face)*



- 3D model suggests that all these anomalies point to the same direction

⇒ **Dedicated measurement campaign started**

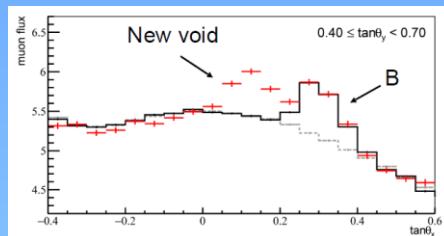
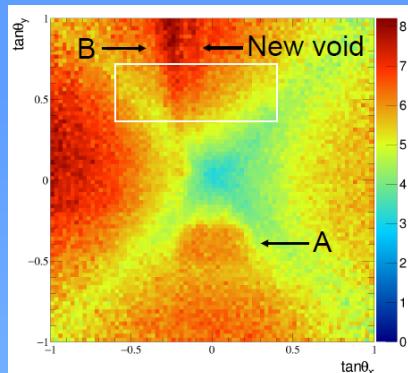
- *Queen's Chamber: new emulsion from Nagoya and move of the KEK scintillator*
- *Outside: move of 2 telescopes in front of the North face Chevrons*



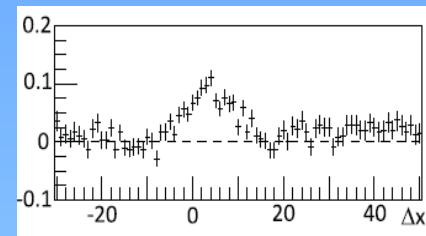
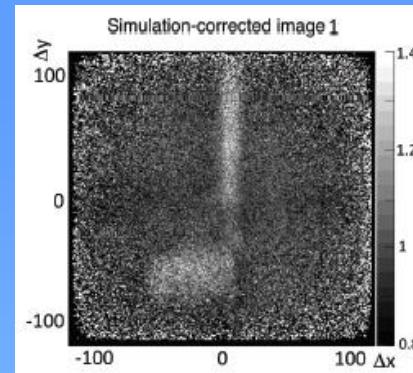
# RESULTS (FROM NATURE PAPER)

- All the measurements confirm a large void above the Grand Gallery

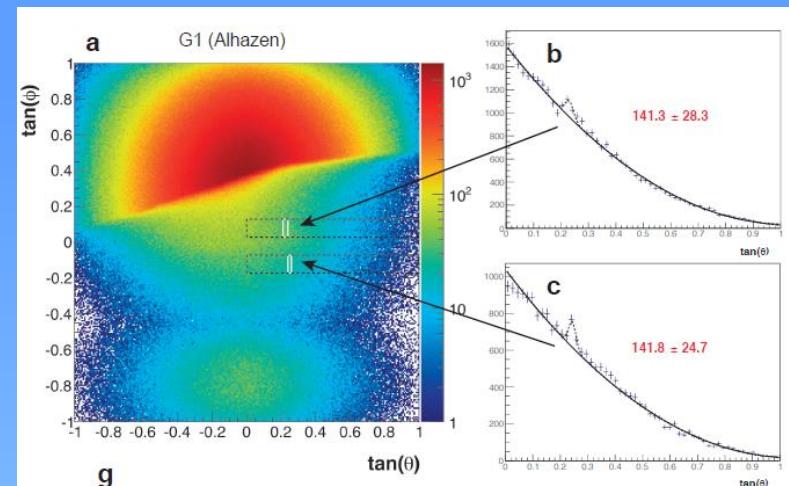
Nagoya



KEK

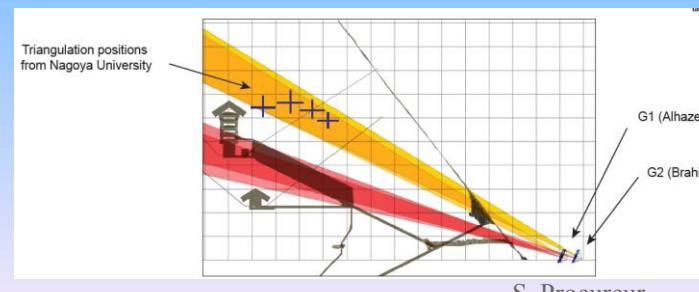


CEA



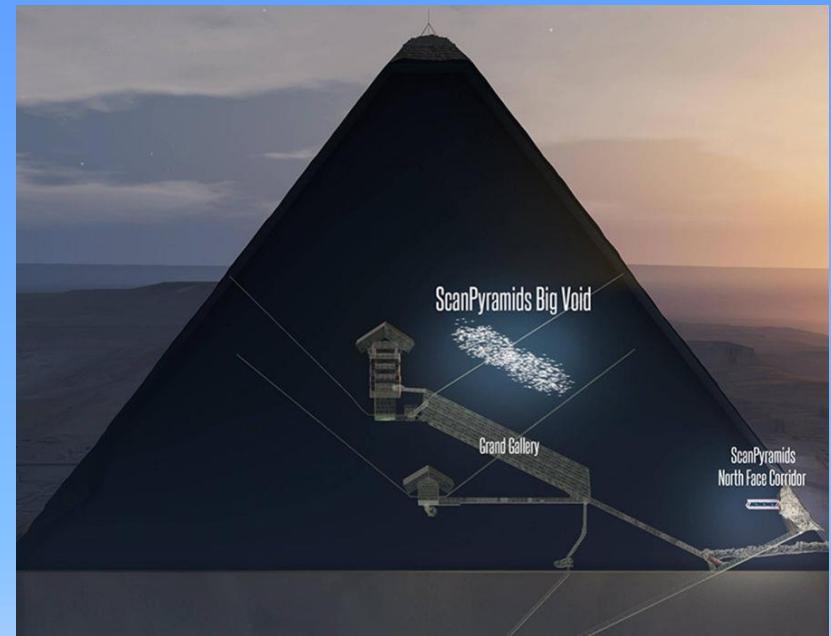
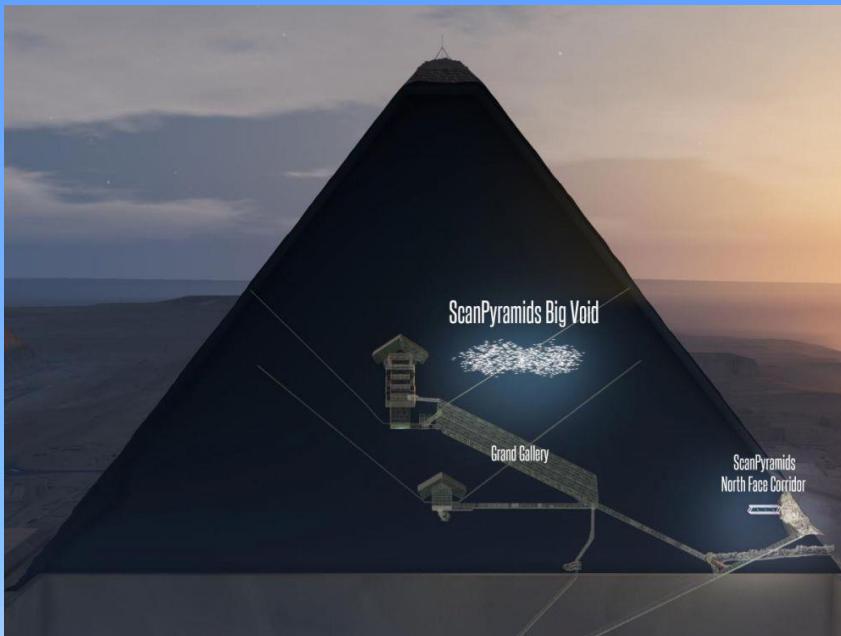
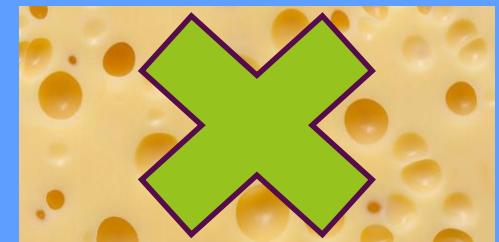
- Only 2 such voids detected
- 1<sup>st</sup> detection ever from outside of a deep structure

- Good triangulation with Nagoya and CEA instruments



# SCANPYRAMIDS BIG VOID

- Remarkable features of the ScanPyramids Big-Void:
  - *Within the same plane as all other known (big) structures*
  - *Large under-density, only at this place*



- *Volume estimate: several hundreds of m<sup>3</sup>*
  - *Length: > 30 m*
  - *Inclined or horizontal...*
- ⇒ **More measurements needed!**

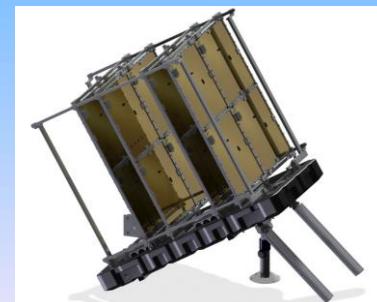
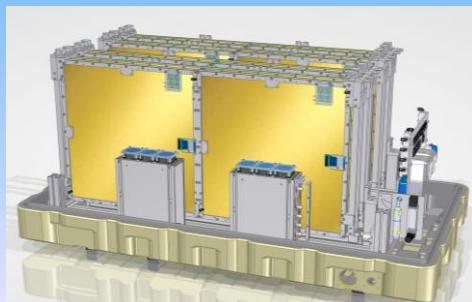
# NEXT STEP(S)



- Electronics management of the gas flow with new HVPS-v2 card
  - *Test in progress*



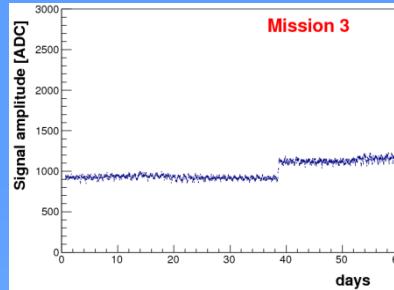
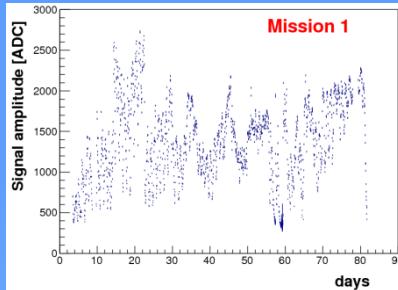
- Proposition of a mission inside the pyramid to better observe Big Void
  - *Goal: < 1 m³ in 4 months*
  - *Waiting for Egyptian agreement for 2018*
- Longer term: sealed, bigger telescopes and TPC
  - *Vacuum chamber at Saclay, test started (a la Harpo)*



# CONCLUSION (BEYOND BIG VOID!)



- MPGD robust enough for extreme condition applications in spite of gas



- Probably the best technology for precise muography

|                                    | Nuclear emulsion<br>Nagoya University                                | Hodoscopes<br>KEK | Gas detectors<br>CEA |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------------|----------------------|
| Angular Resolution                 | 2-14 mrad  | 7-10 mrad         | 0.8 - 4 mrad         |
| Angular Acceptance                 | 45 degrees   | 34 - 45 degrees   | 45 degrees           |
| Active area<br>(for this analysis) | 30 cm x 25 cm / unit:<br>0.75 m x 0.6 m (NE1)<br>0.9 m x 0.5 m (NE2) | 1.2 m x 1.2 m     | 50 cm x 50 cm        |
| Position Resolution                | 1 μm   | 10 mm             | 400 μm               |
| Height                             | 0.2 mm   | 1-1.5 m           | 60 cm                |
| Power requirement                  | No   | Yes (300W)        | Yes (35W)            |
| Data taking                        | Need development   | Real time         | Real time            |

- Key ingredients for large scale, societal or industrial applications

- Manufacturer (ELVIA)
- Potential integrator (Iris Instruments)
  - Rui's help!
- Media coverage (advertisement)

# MUOGRAPHY BEYOND IMAGINATION...

- Painting



- Photography



- Muography?

