

# Resistivity change of printed foils for ATLAS Micromegas production

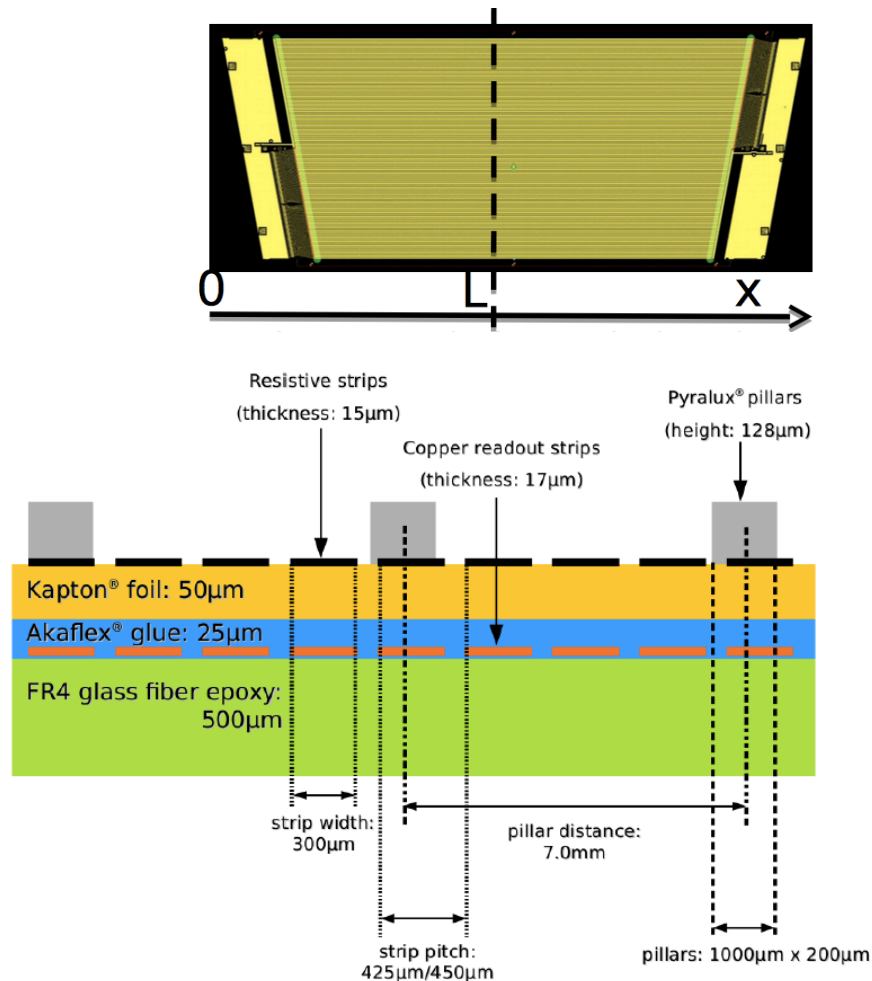
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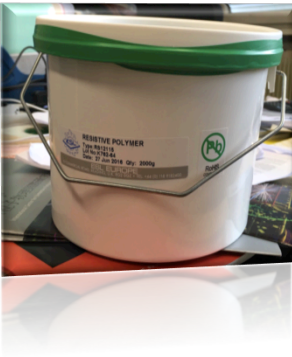
# Outline

- resistive foils production
- resistive foils quality control (QC)
- gluing procedure
- observations about the resistivity change

## Schematic view of an ATLAS Micromegas readout board



# Resistive foils production

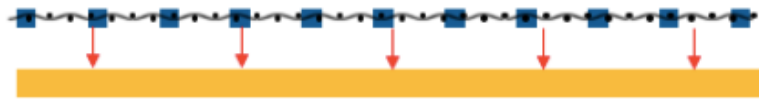


Product:  
ESL Electroscience®  
RS 12115

- *old* paste
  - resistivity ( $\rho$ ) $\approx$ 1 M $\Omega$ /sq
  - mostly used for pre-series and some mass production foils
- *new* paste
  - resistivity ( $\rho$ ) $\approx$ 0.4-0.5 M $\Omega$ /sq
  - used for mass production foils

## Foils production @ Matsuda

5. Application of the screen on 50 $\mu$ m Kapton®



6. Printing with resistive ink through the screen



7. Screen removal and drying (heat or IR)

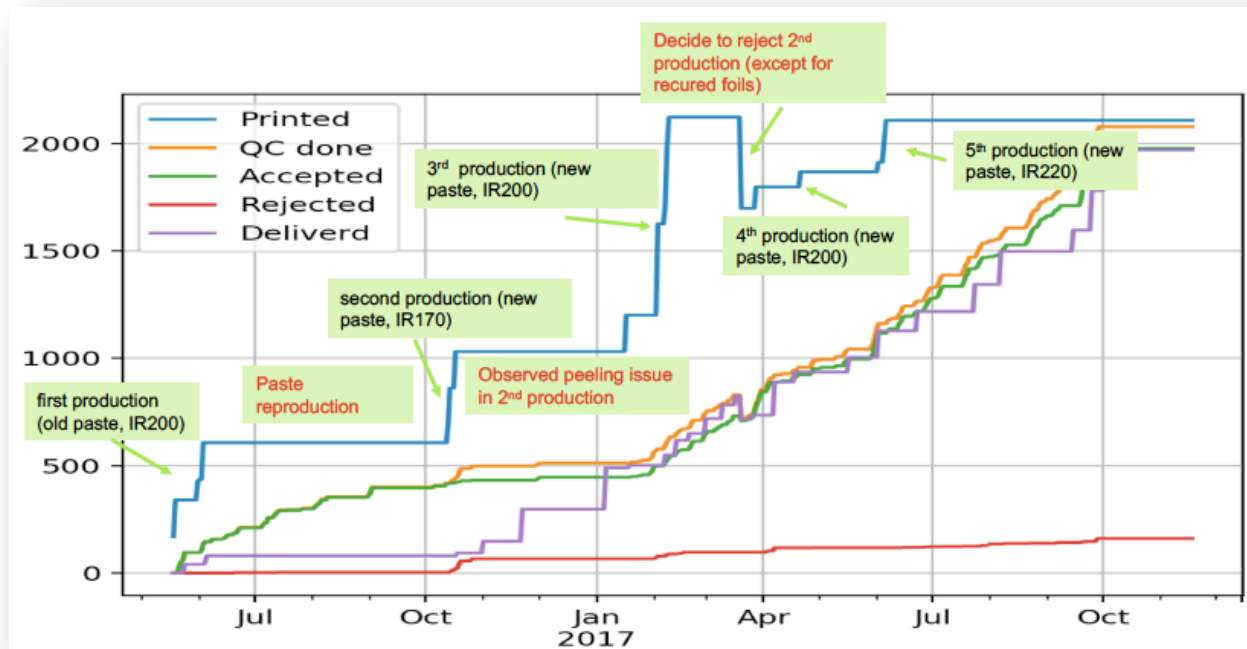
→ Positive pattern of resistive ink ( $\approx$ 10-15 $\mu$ m)



not to scale

Curing: initially done in oven at 170°C for 2h following the company specifications (mostly for pre-series), then moved to IR curing to save time (11.5 min) and guarantee a more uniform warming

# Resistive foils production



## Nomenclature:

- 1<sup>st</sup> batch: old paste, IR at 200°C
- 2<sup>nd</sup> batch: new paste, IR at 170°C; peeling issue observed -> necessity of an additional step of curing (170°C for 2h in the oven)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> batch: new paste, IR at 200°C
- 4<sup>th</sup> batch: new paste, IR at 200°C
- 5<sup>th</sup> batch: new paste, IR at 220°C

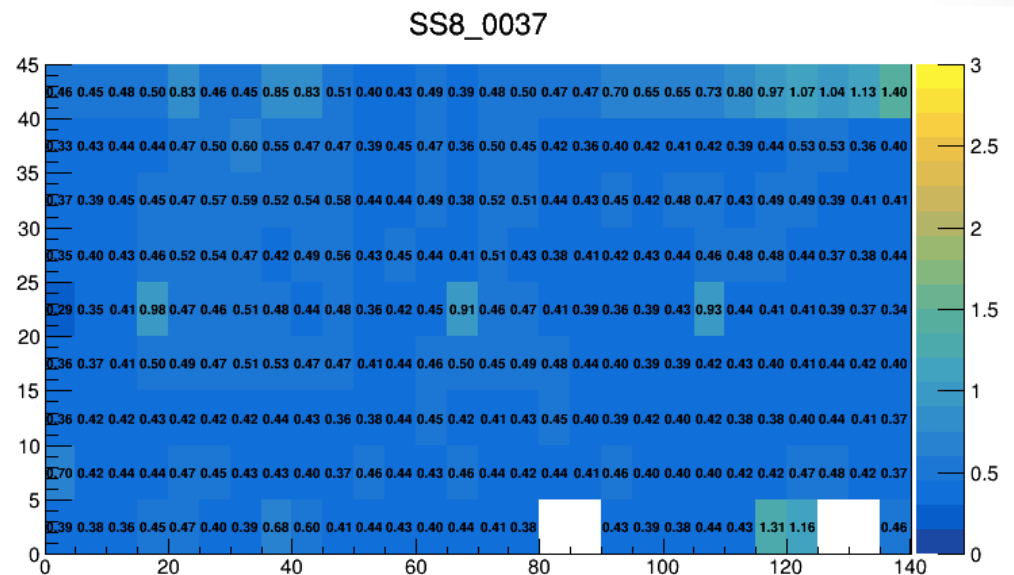
# Resistive foils QC

Several checks on the quality of the foils are performed in Kobe focusing on:

- strip pitch
- strip width
- dimensions
- possible printing defects
- **resistivity** ←

For each foil a resistivity map is performed:

- device with ~100 probes
- depending of type boards, we could measure from ~100 up to more than 300 points



# Resistivity foils QC

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## Resistivity

target resistivity =  $0.85 \text{ M}\Omega/\text{sq}$

- **Average criteria**

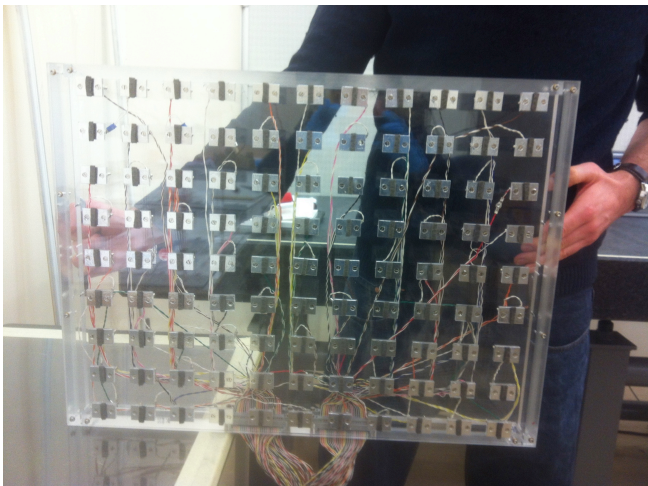
- ✧ Average Resistivity (per foil)  $0.43\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq} < R < 1.7\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq}$

- **Outlier criteria**

- ✧ 95% of measured points within  $0.28\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq} < R < 2.6\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq}$  : **Grade B**

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- ✧ 95% of measured points within  $0.21\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq} < R < 3.4\text{M}\Omega/\text{sq}$  : **Grade B<sup>-</sup>**



Same system used for the foil measurements performed in Kobe is also used at CERN

# Readout board

copper readout strips  
(photo-lithography  
etching)

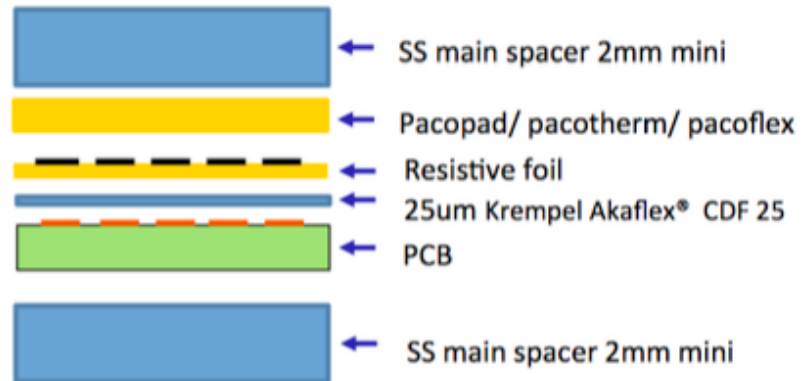
50µm Kapton® foil with  
resistive strips  
(screen-printing)



High temp. and high  
pressure gluing

Polymer Silver contact  
(screen-printing)

Pillars creation:  
2x64µm Pyralux® coverlay  
(lamination)



Resistive foil polishing before  
pillars creation:

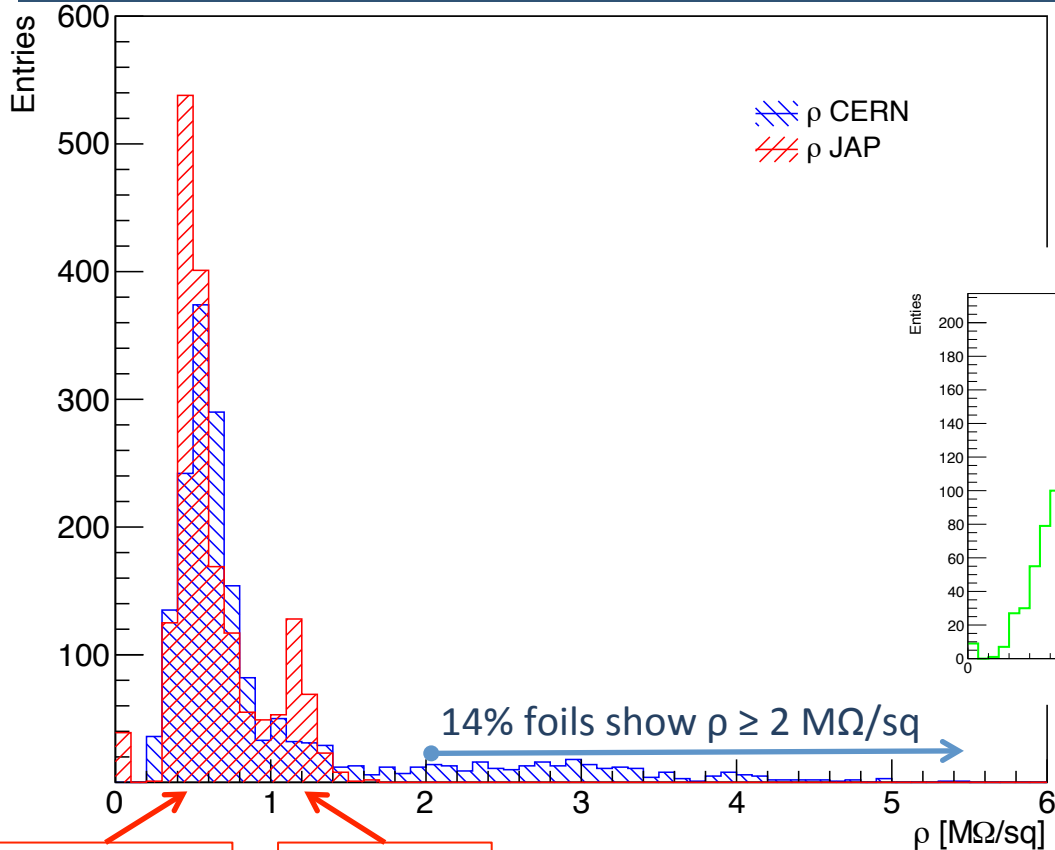
- ELTOS: polishing machine
- ELVIA: manual polishing

Pressing procedure:

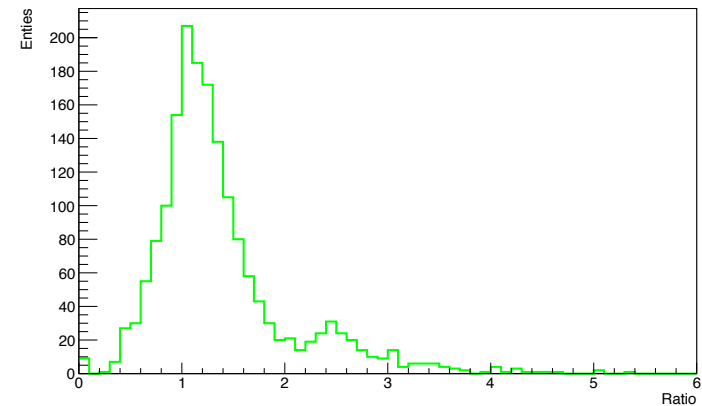
- pressure (P) > 5 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - ELTOS: P > 14 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - ELVIA: P > 11 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- temperature = 170°C
- waiting time of 45 min

# Resistivity

Resistivity average distribution before (Kobe) and after (CERN) gluing



Ratio distribution:  
long tail overcoming 3 (current rejection threshold)  
◇  $\langle \text{Ratio} \rangle \approx 1.38$



new paste

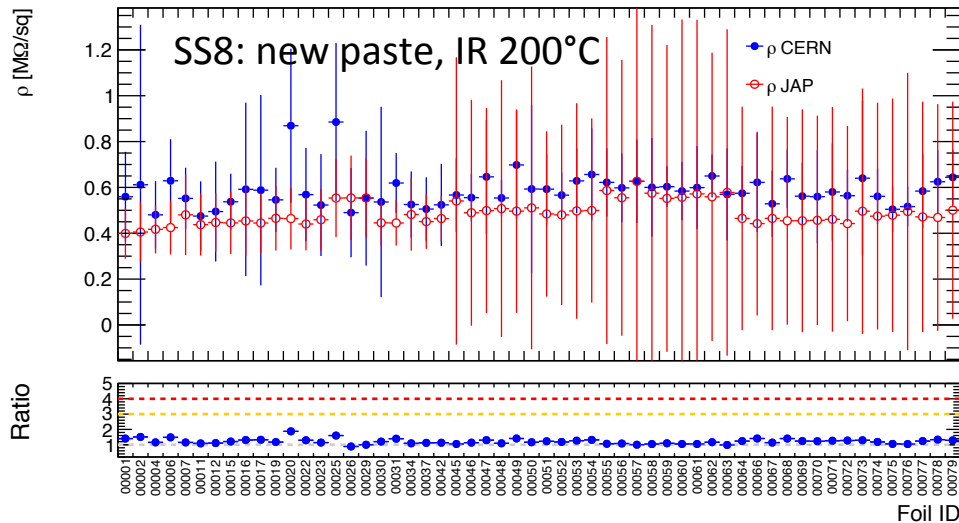
old paste

the spread in resistivity, observed after the gluing procedure, found to be related to the paste type and NOT to the production process

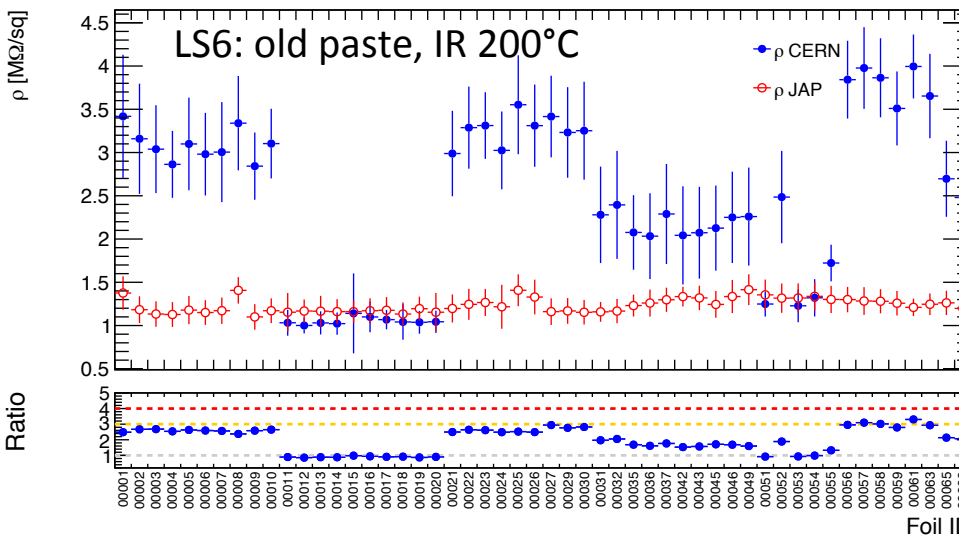


# Resistivity

Foils produced with the new paste show roughly the same average resistivity



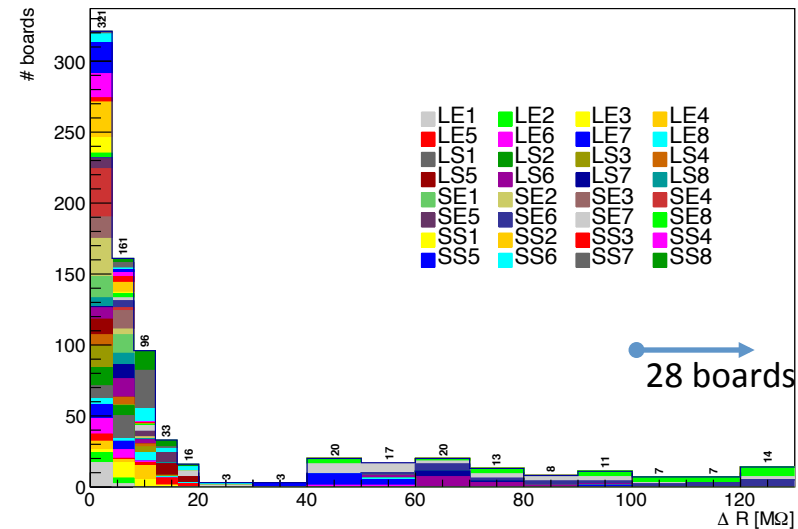
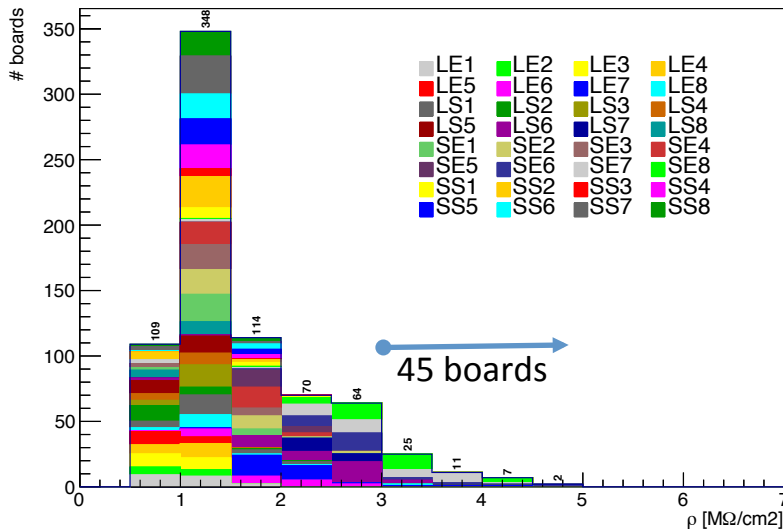
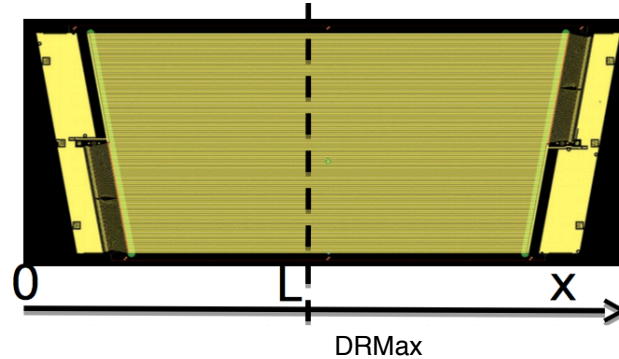
Deviations from the initial value observed when old paste is used



Most of these foils can be still used, even if showing a ratio higher than 3

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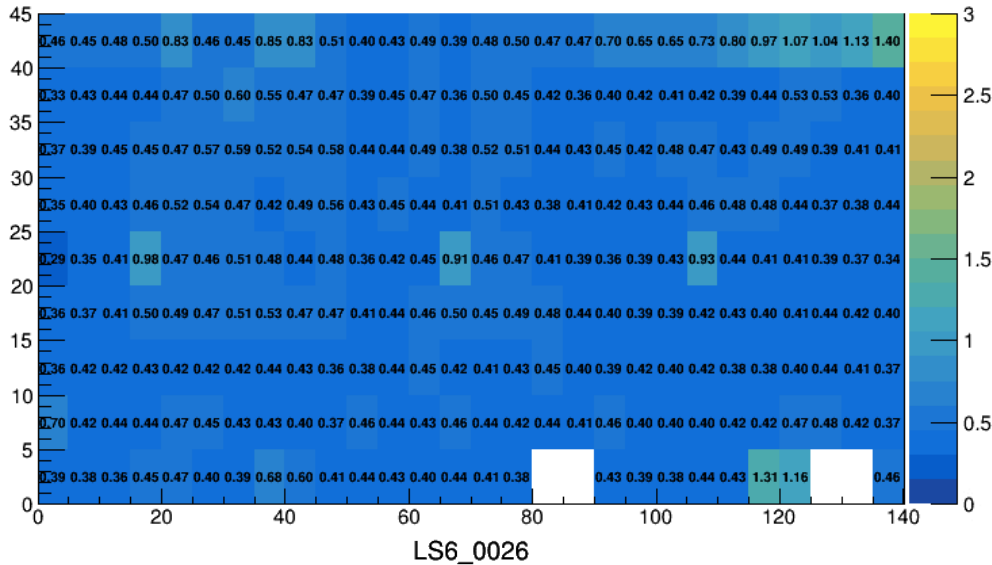
**CRITERIA:** trying to avoid a drop of 5 V in operation condition; assuming  $I_{\max}=5\mu\text{A}$ , still possible if the difference in resistance ( $\Delta R$ ) between the middle of the board and near the coverlay rim is less than 100 M $\Omega$



Assuming boards with Ratio < 4 and  $\Delta R < 100\text{M}\Omega$  as good, up to now acceptable boards are 96% instead of 94%

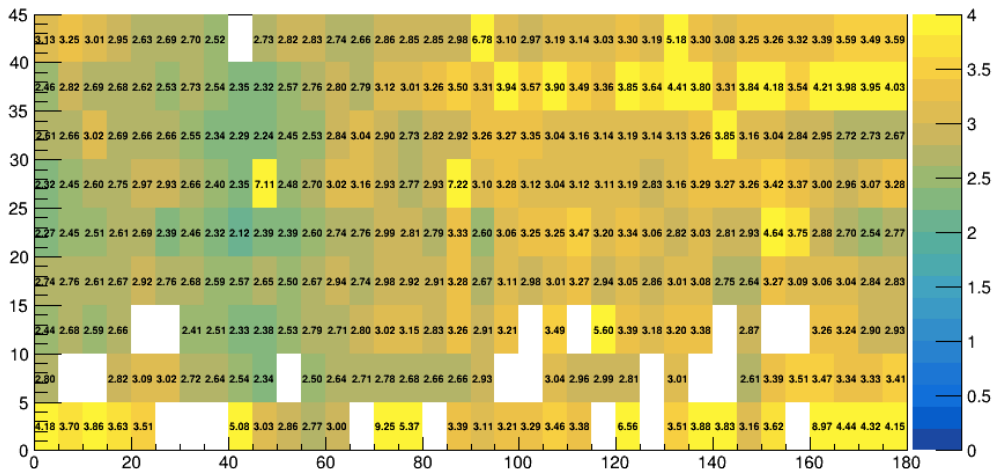
# Resistivity

SS8\_0037



Resistivity more homogenous for the foils made with new paste

LS6\_0026



# Conclusion

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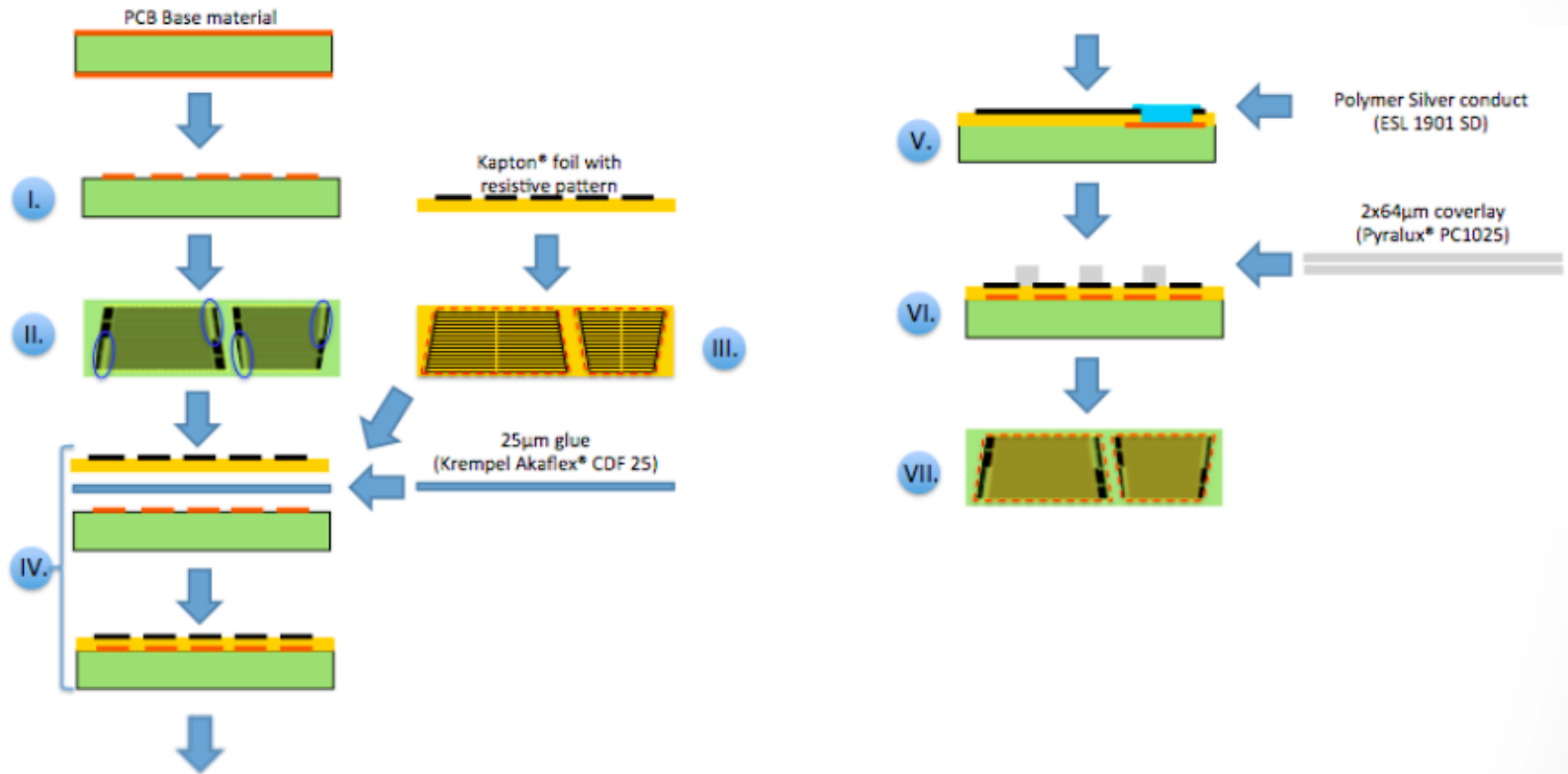
- good technology transfer
- foils production well under control
- carefully quality check is performed in Japan
- additional checks performed at CERN
- 96% of the produced boards are acceptable from resistive foils point of view
- main issue is ONLY related to the paste type

Thanks to R. De Oliveira

# Backup

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# Readout production schema



- I. Copper pattern creation
- III. Resistive foil cutting
- V. Silver HV connection
- VII. Cutting and drilling
- II. Selective Ag/Au/Pd plating on connector finger print
- IV. Gluing of the resistive foil
- VI. Pillar creation

# Resistive foils QC

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*Performed in Kobe*

## CRITERIA 1

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### Strip pitch

- Average : Small module :  $425\mu\text{m}\pm 10\%$ , Large module :  $450\mu\text{m}\pm 10\%$

- Average±RMS :  $425\mu\text{m}\pm 20\%$ ,  $450\mu\text{m}\pm 20\%$

- ✧ Fulfilled : **Grade A** Not fulfilled : **Grade B**

### Strip width

- Average  $300\mu\text{m}\pm 10\%$ , Average±RMS :  $300\pm 20\%$

- ✧ Fullfilled : **Grade A** Not fulfilled : **Grade B**

# Resistive foils QC

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## CRITERIA 2

*Performed in Kobe*

### Dimension

- Absolute dimension (from gerber file) within  $\pm 1\text{mm}$ 
  - ✧ Fulfilled : **Grade A** Not fulfilled : **Grade B**

### Visual check (+ double check with scanned image)

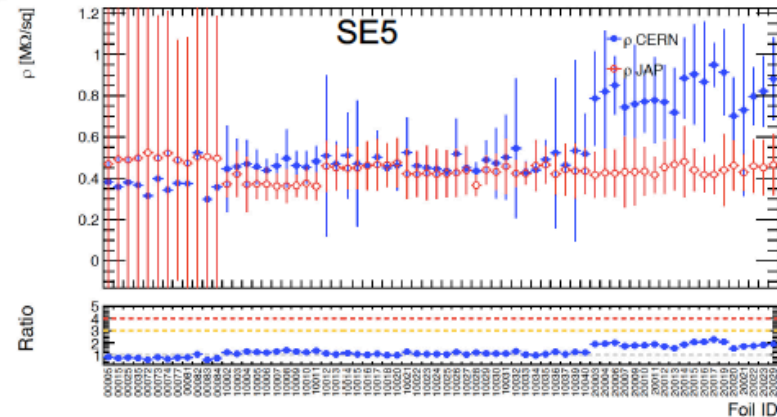
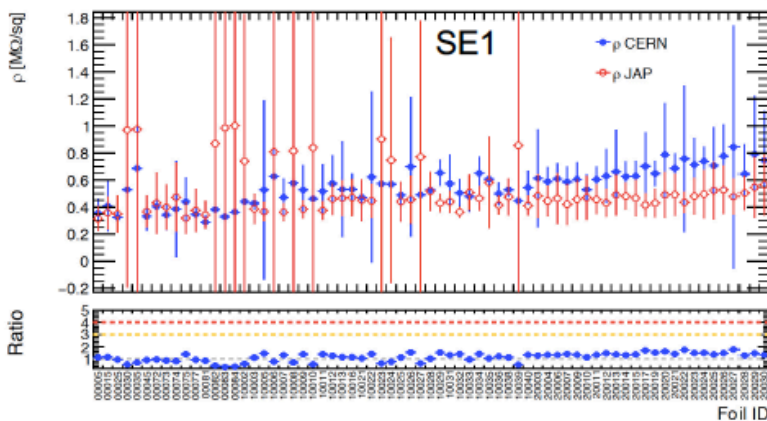
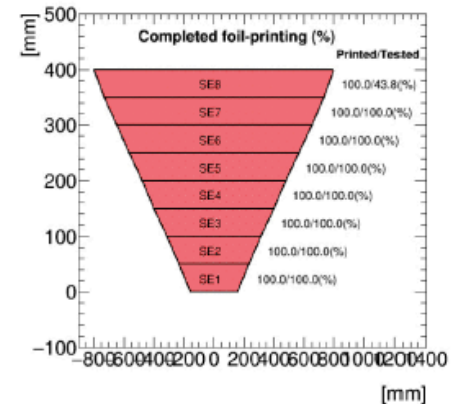
- Printing defects (Cut, mis-interconnection, dust):
  - ➔ Minor defect:  $< 5 \times 5\text{mm}^2$
  - ➔ Major defect:  $5 \times 5\text{mm}^2 < \text{defect size} < 10 \times 10\text{mm}^2$
  - ➔ Critical defect:  $> 10 \times 10\text{mm}^2$
- ✧ Minor  $\leq 10$  && Major defect  $\leq 1$  : **Grade A**
- ✧ !Grade A && (Minor  $\leq 20$  || Major  $\leq 2$ ) : **Grade B**
- ✧ Failed Grade B in criteria 2 : **Reject**

!!! Ink squeeze-out may not be counted as defect



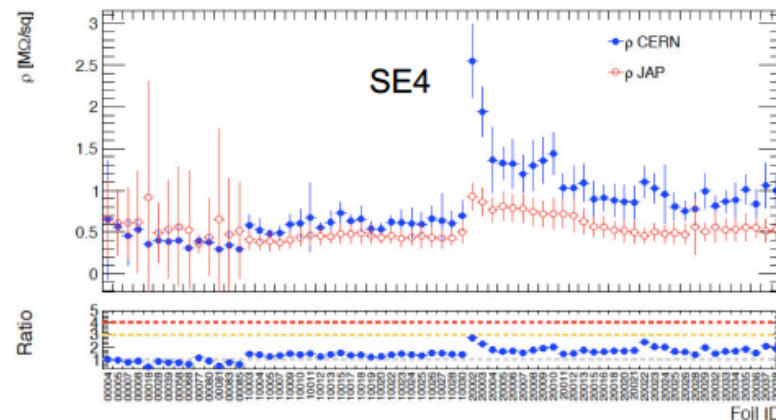
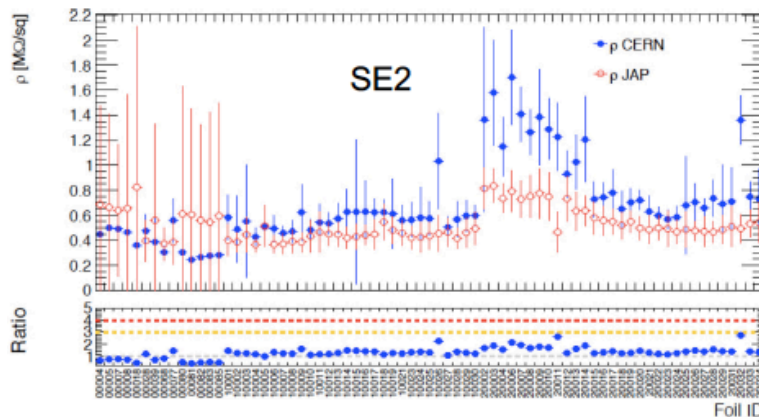
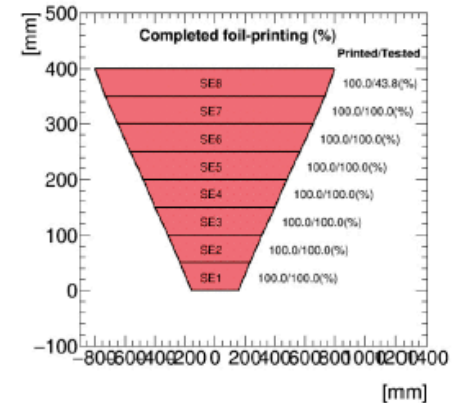
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  - Produced in Oct 2016 → Peeling issue appeared
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- **SE1(5)\_1XXXX** : New paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Mar 2017 (~40 foils)
- **SE1(5)\_2XXXX** : New paste, cure 220 degree IR
  - produced in June 2017 (~40 foils)



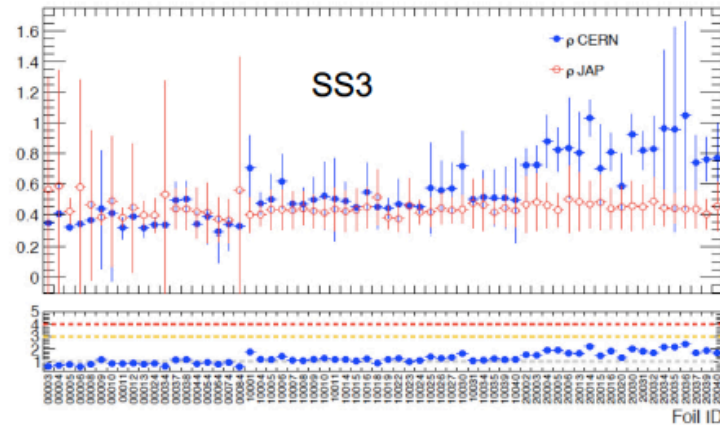
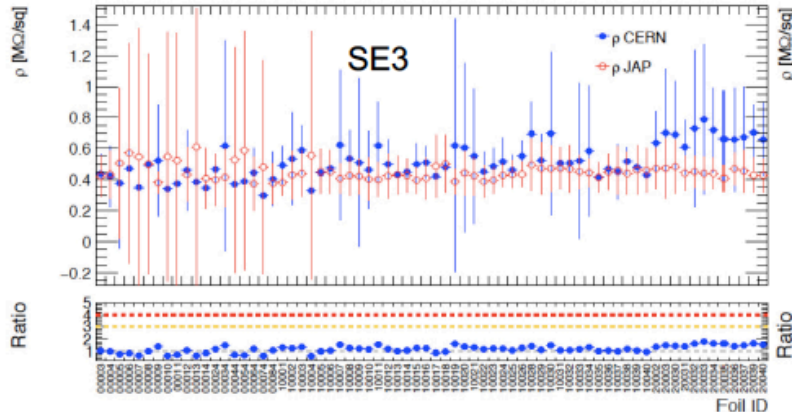
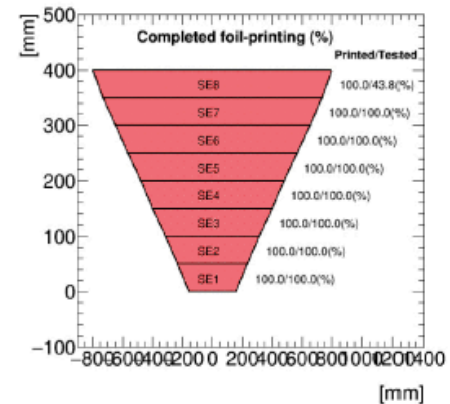
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- **SE2(4)\_1XXXX** : New paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Apr 2017 (~30 foils)
- **SE2(4)\_2XXXX** : New paste, cure 220 degree IR
  - produced in June 2017 (~50 foils)



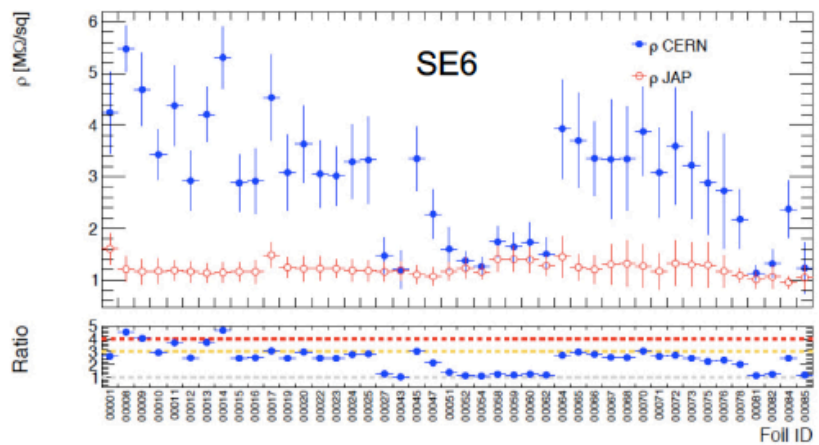
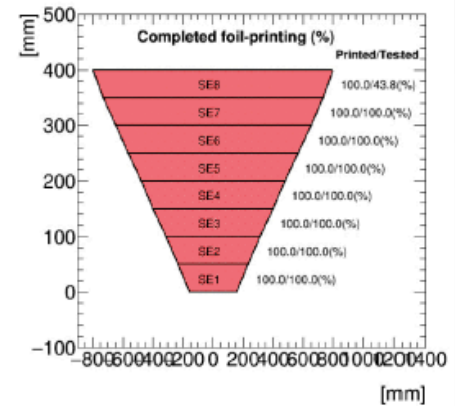
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- **SES3\_2XXXX** : New paste, cure 220 degree IR
  - produced in June 2017 (~40 foils)



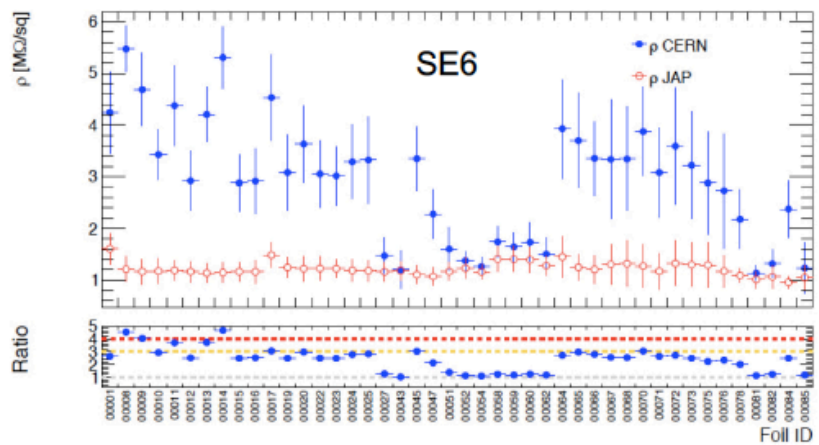
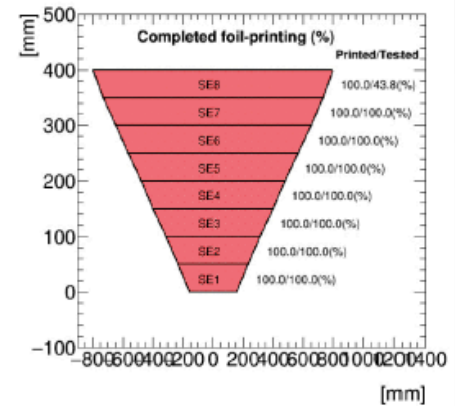
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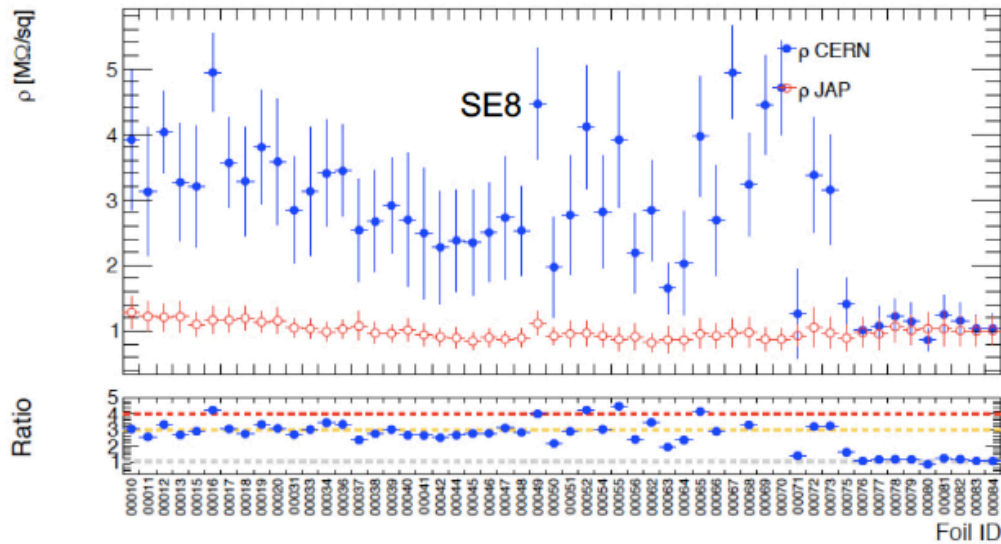
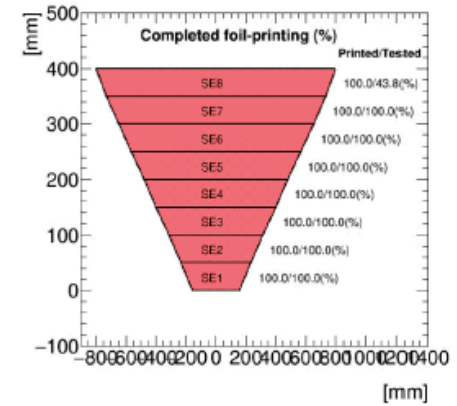
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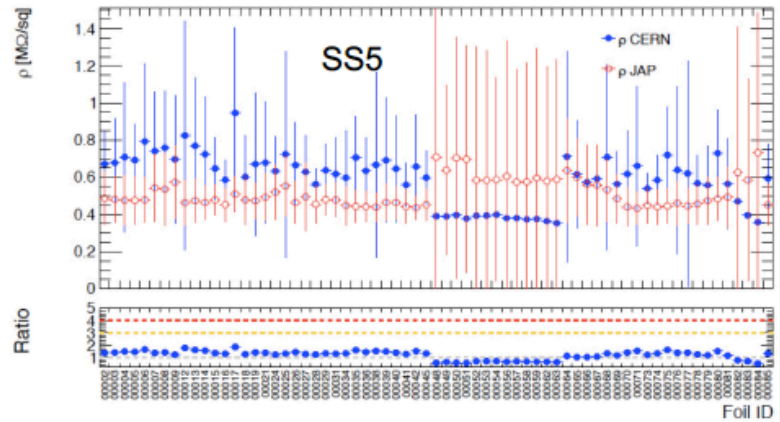
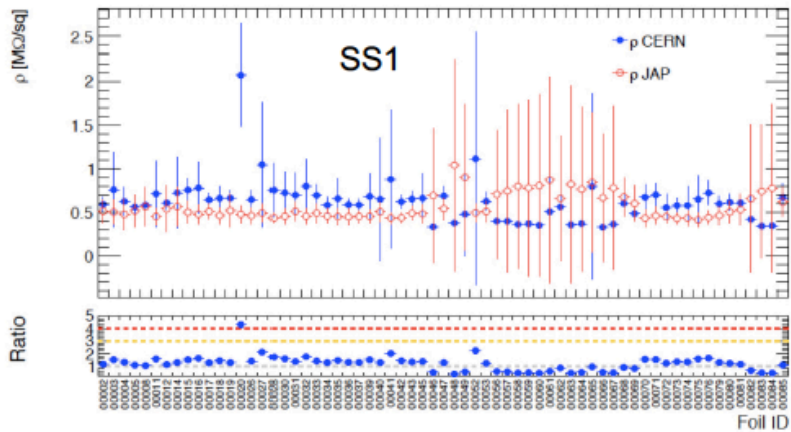
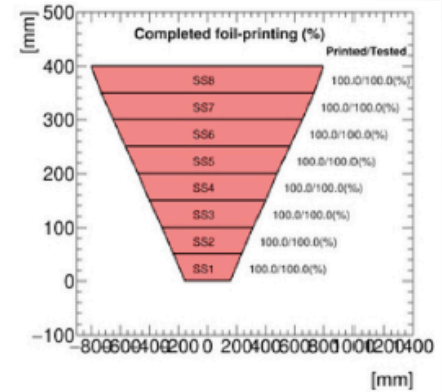
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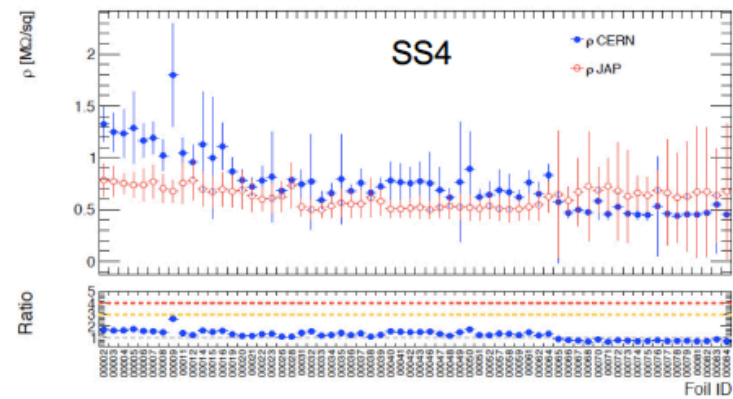
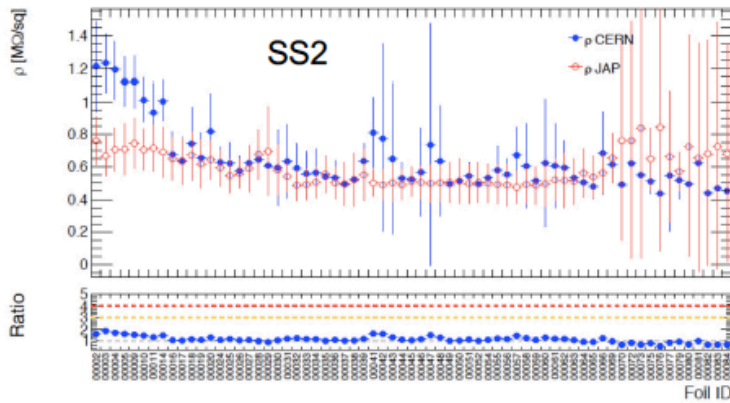
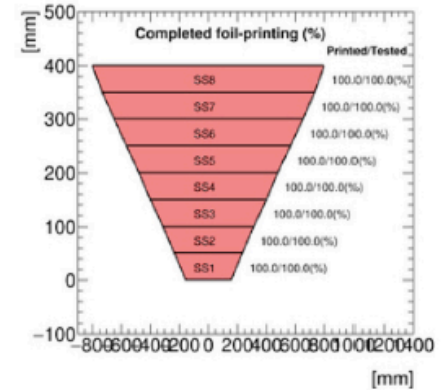
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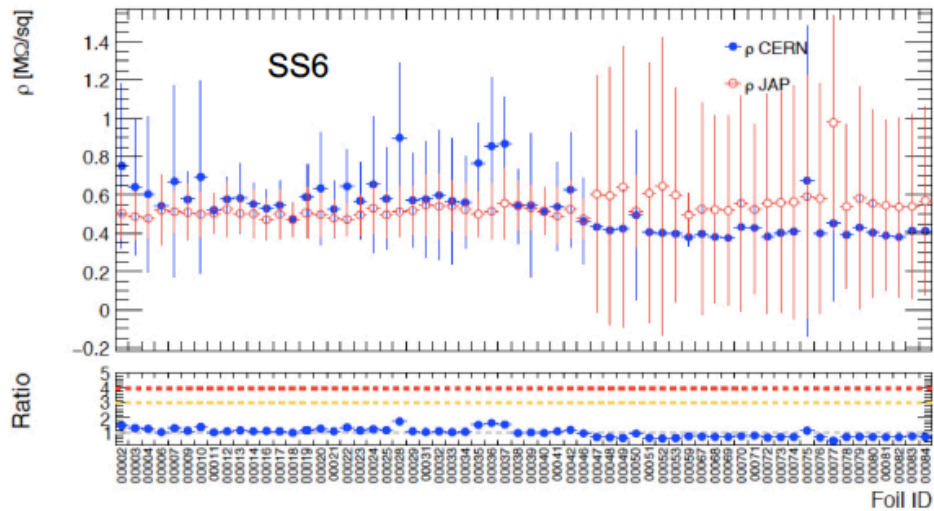
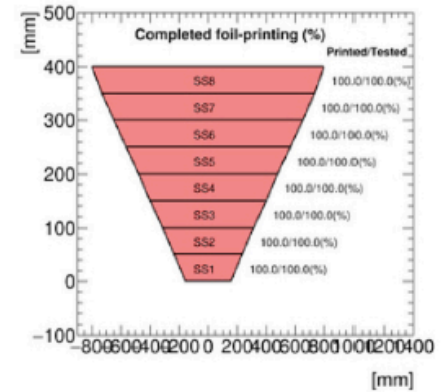
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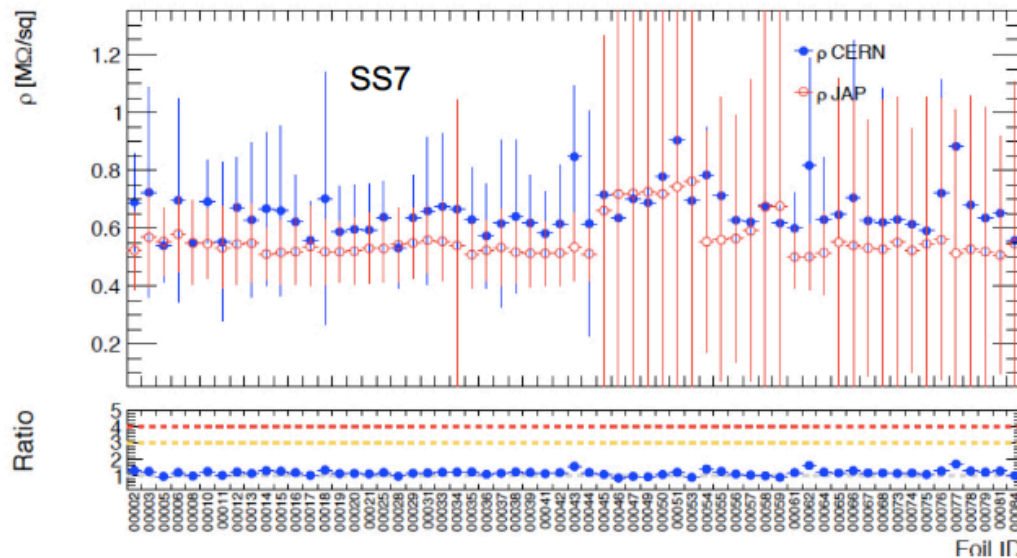
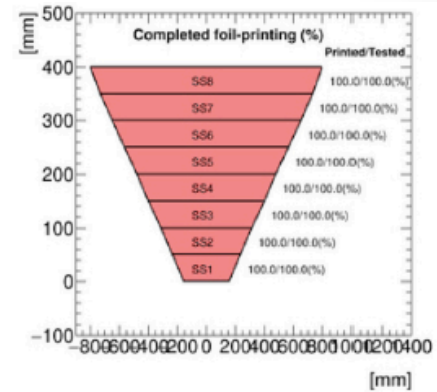
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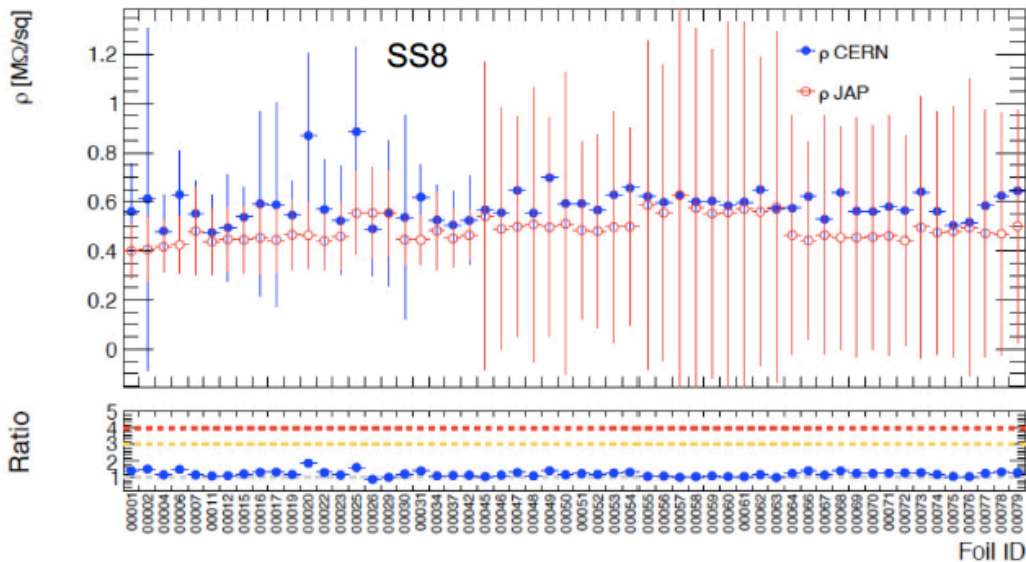
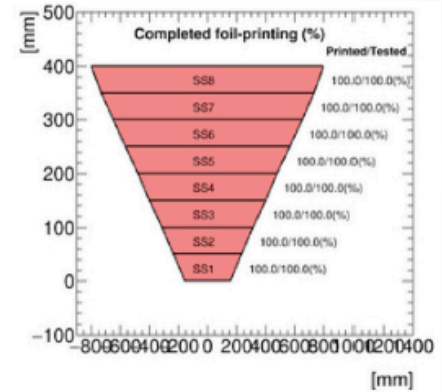
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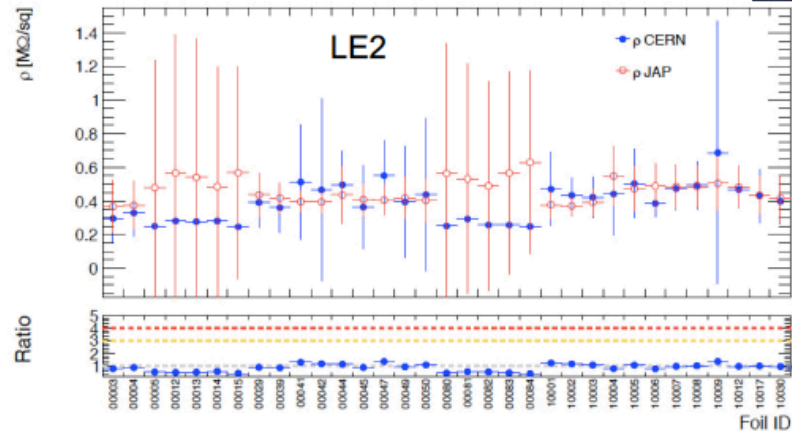
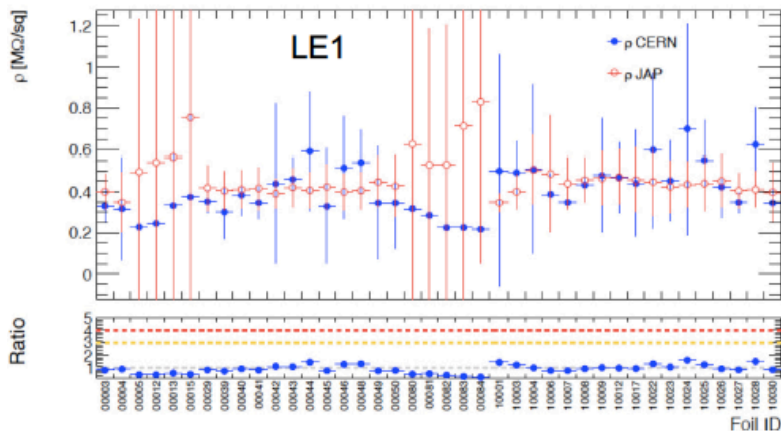
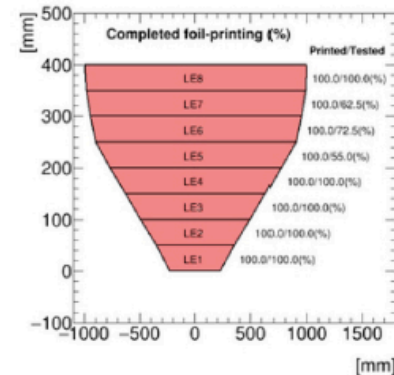
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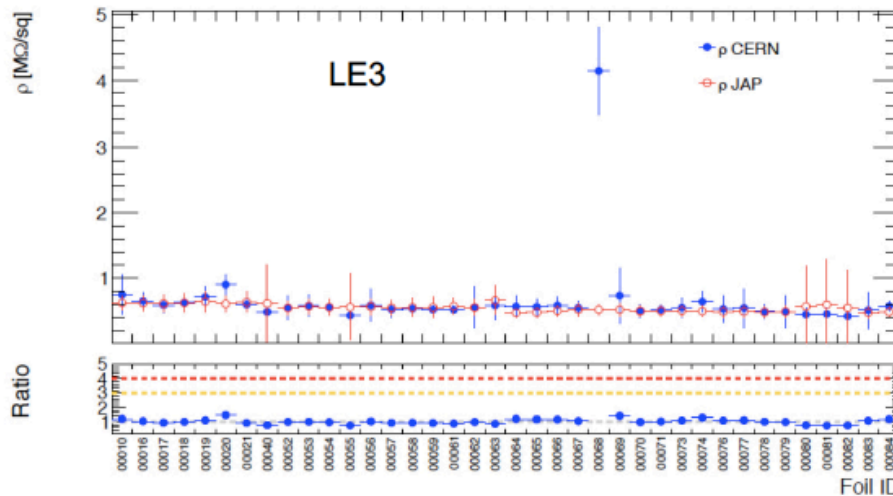
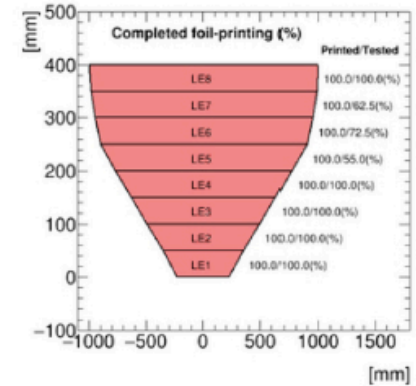
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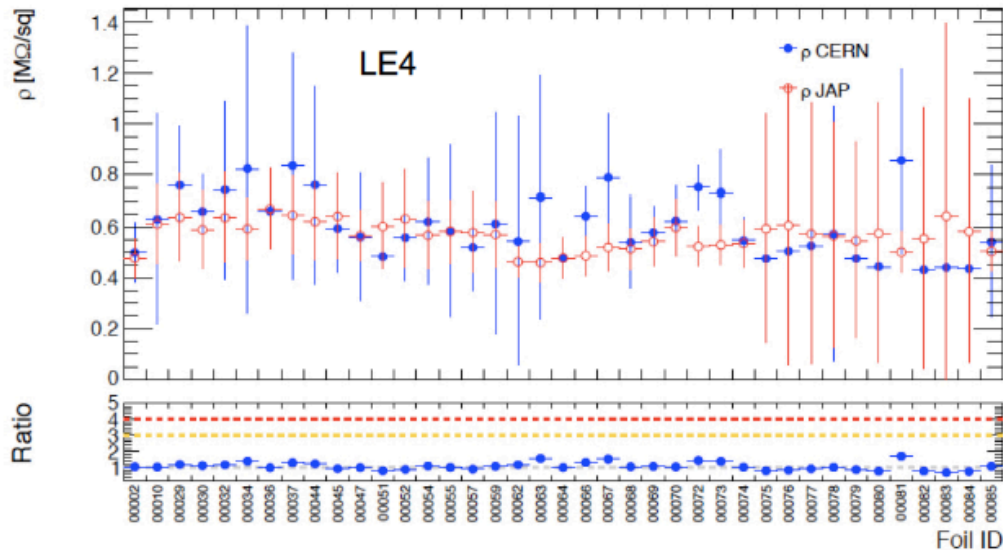
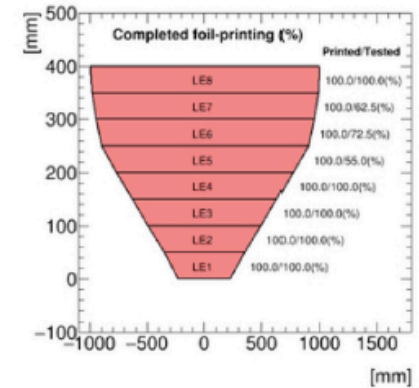
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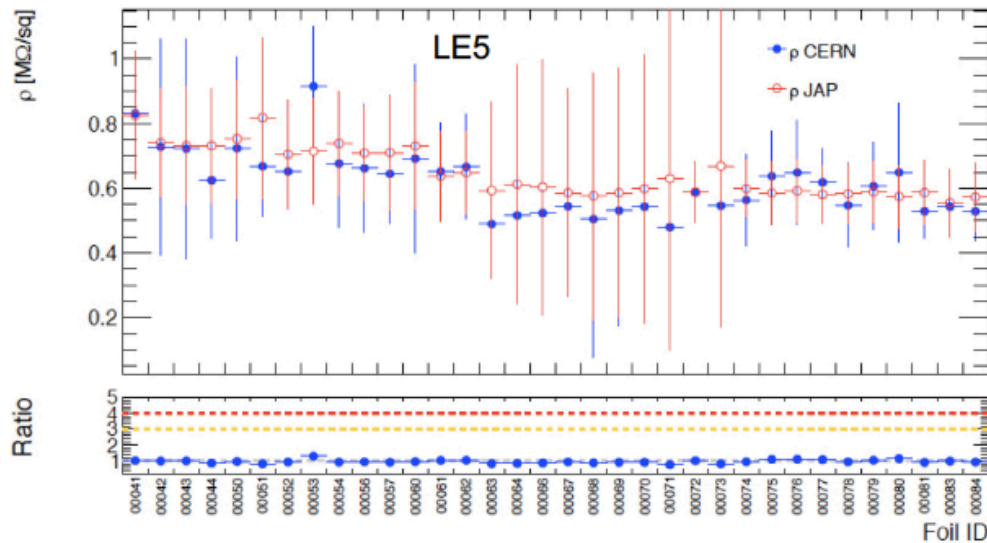
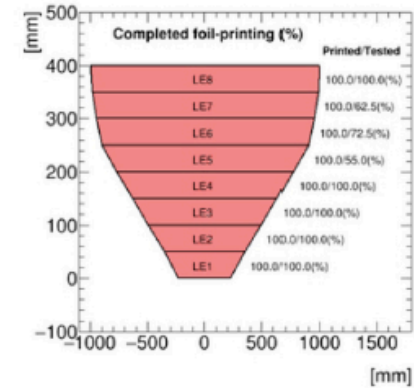
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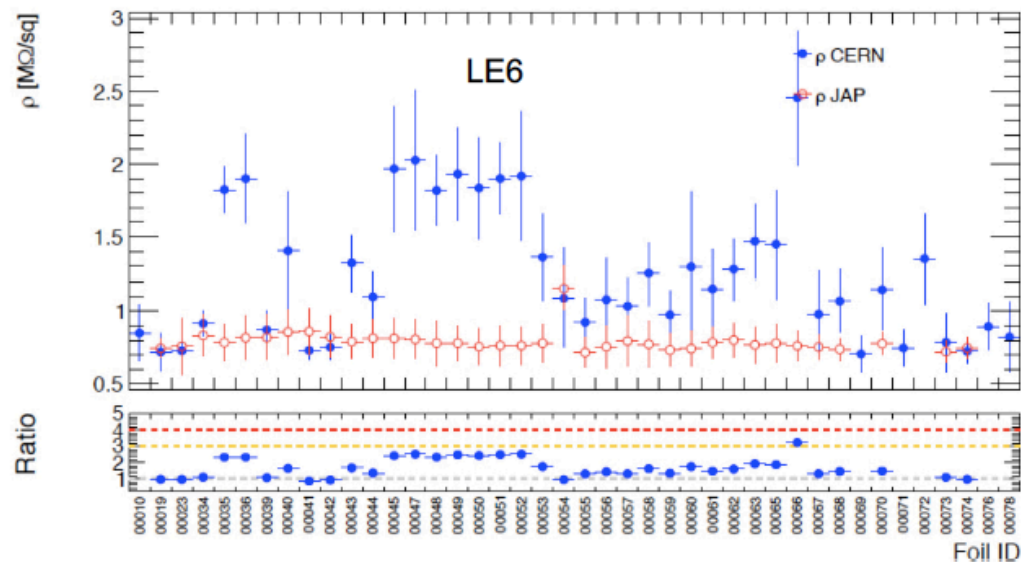
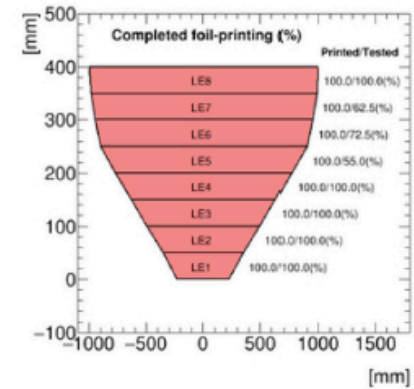
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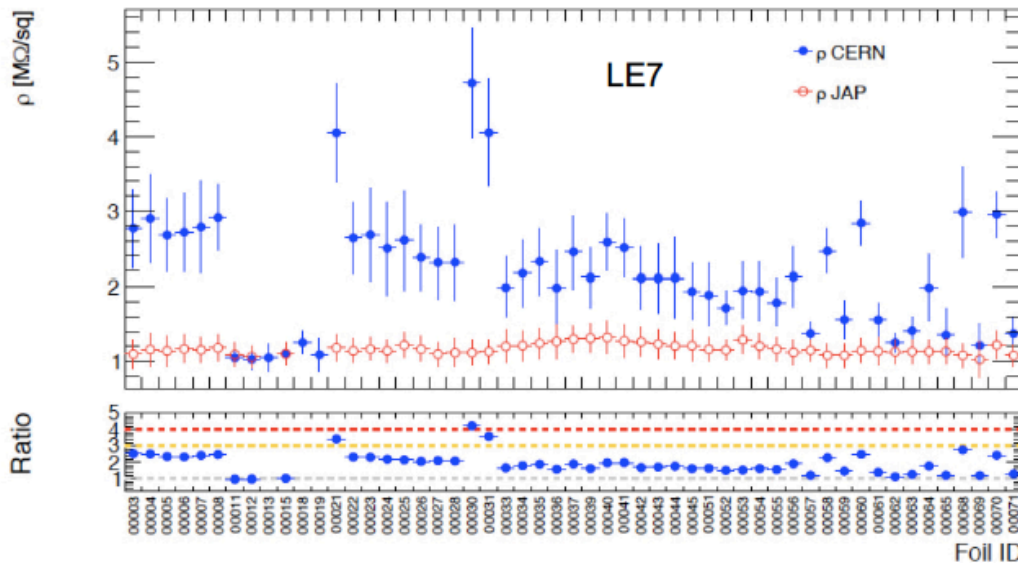
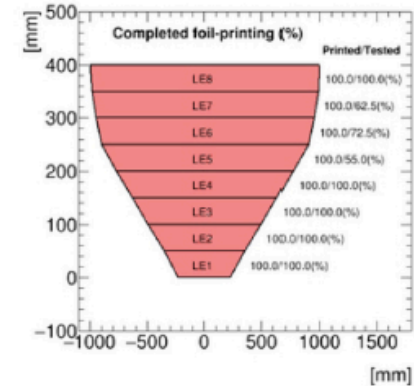
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  - Produced in May 2016 (~80 foils)





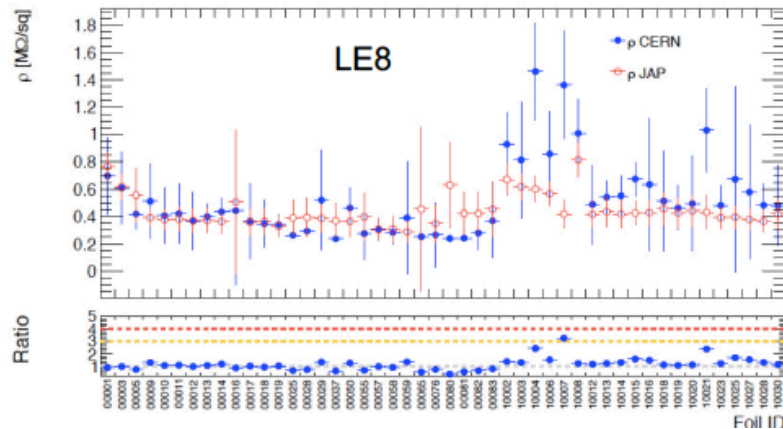
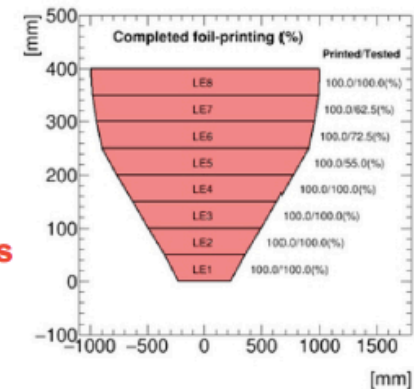
# LE7

- LE7\_0XXXX : old paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in May 2016 (~80 foils)



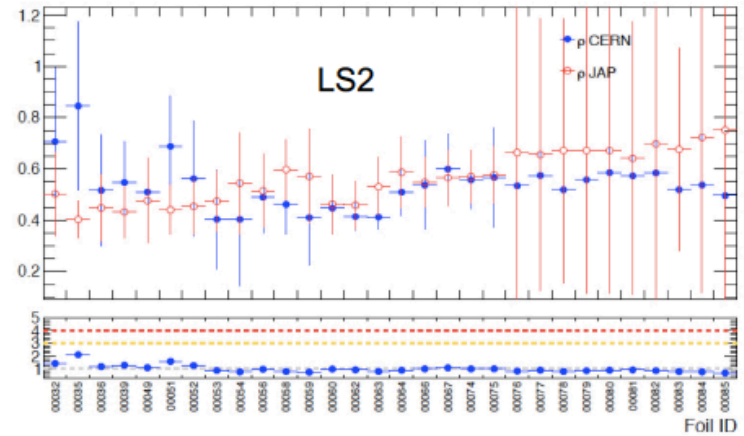
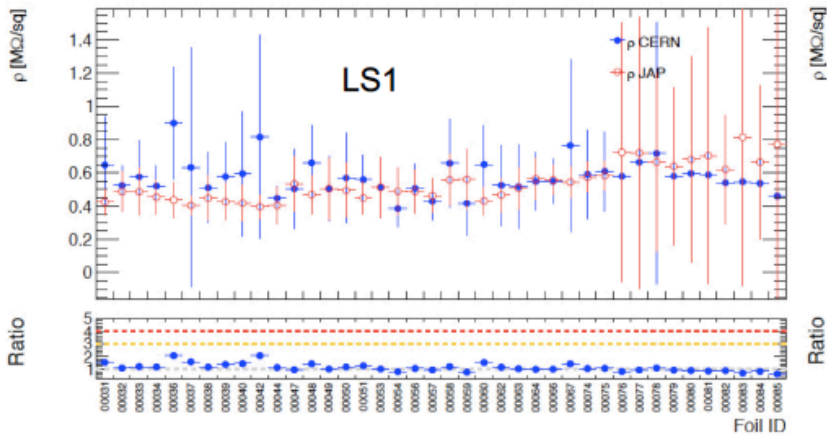
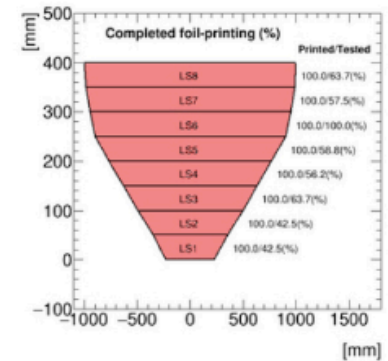
# LE8

- **LE8\_0XXXX** : new paste, cure 170 degree IR
  - Produced in Oct 2016 → Peeling issue appeared
  - Recured at ELVIA/Matsuda to fix peeling issue → **Used in urgent cases**
- **LE8\_1XXXX** : new paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Mar 2017 (~30 foils)
- **LE8\_2XXXX** : new paste, cure 220 degree IR
  - Produced in June 2017 (~50 foils)



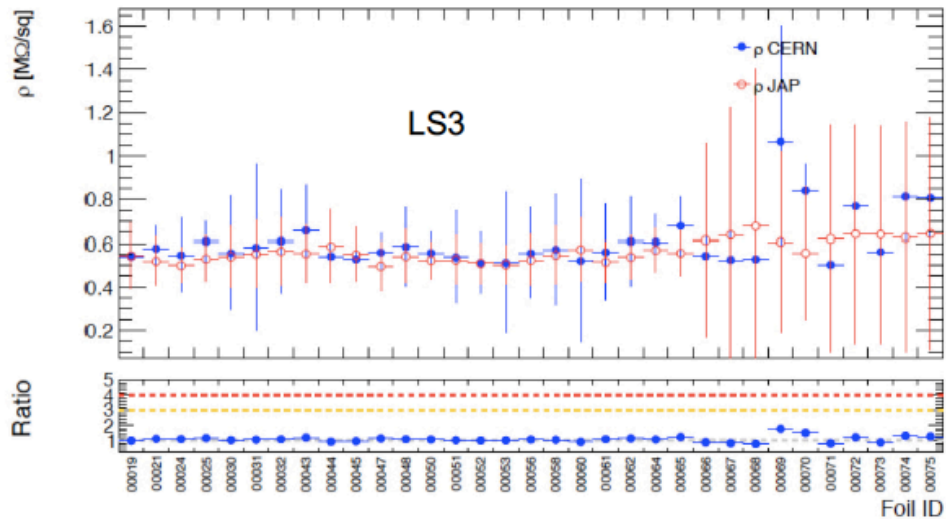
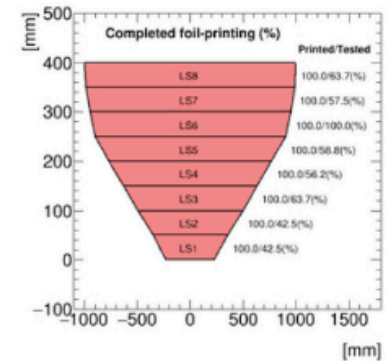
# LS12

- **LS12\_0XXXX** : new paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Feb 2017 (~80 foils)



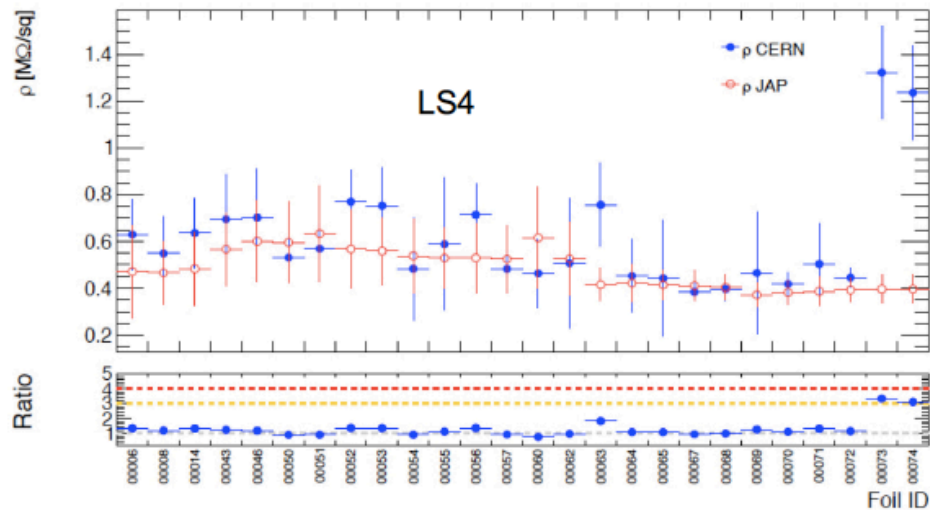
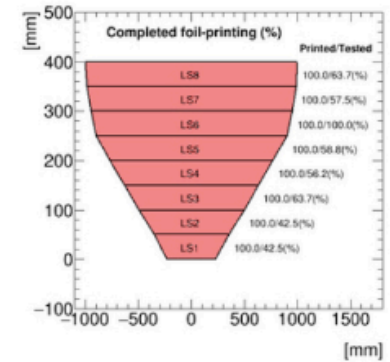
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- **LS3\_0XXXX** : new paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Feb 2017 (~80 foils)



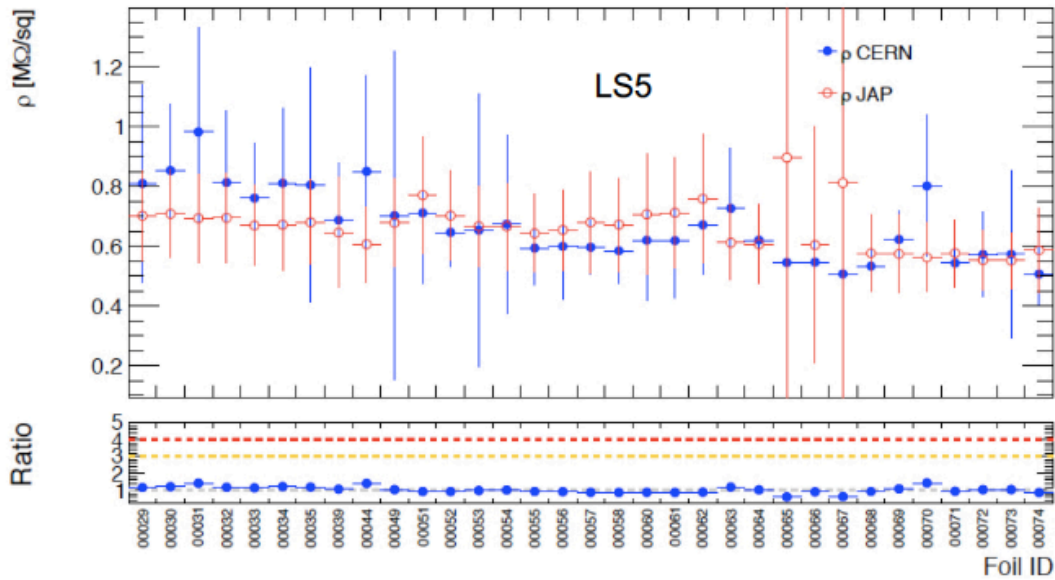
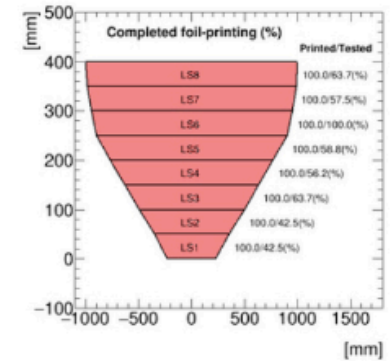
# LS4

- **LS4\_0XXXX** : new paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Feb 2017 (~80 foils)



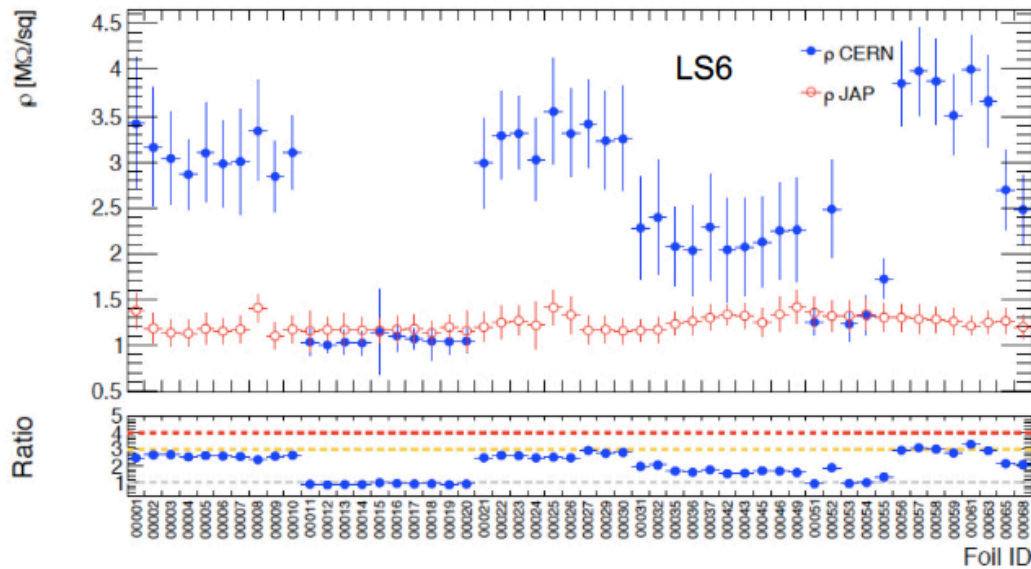
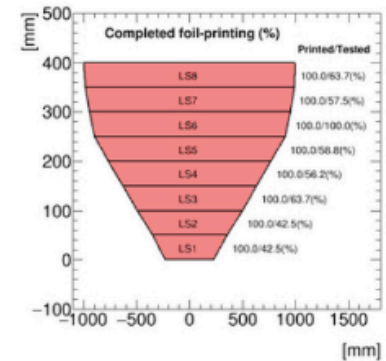
# LS5

- **LS5\_0XXXX** : new paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in Feb 2017 (~80 foils)



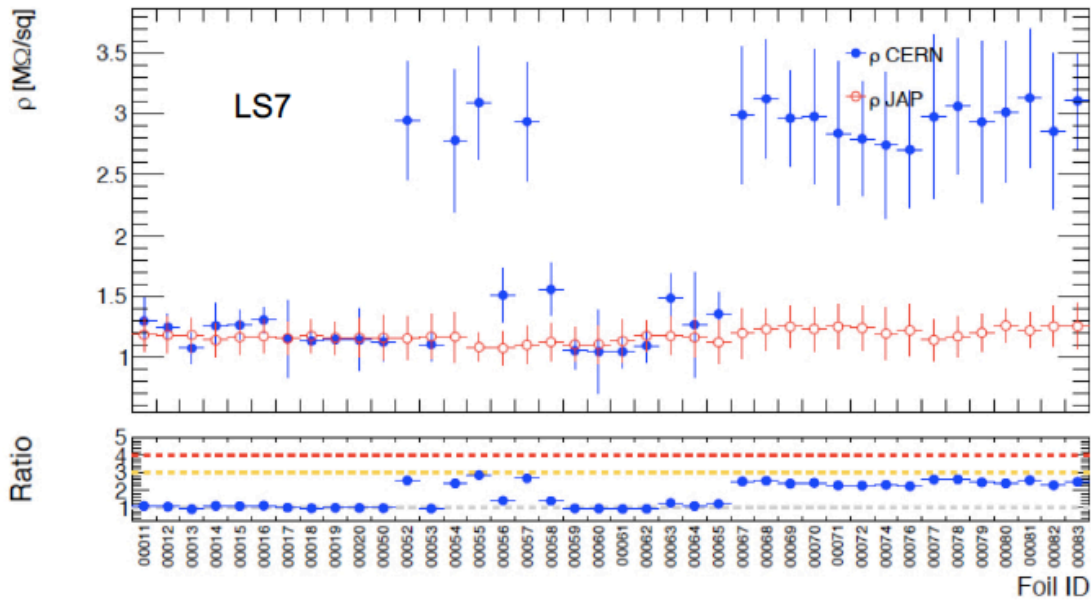
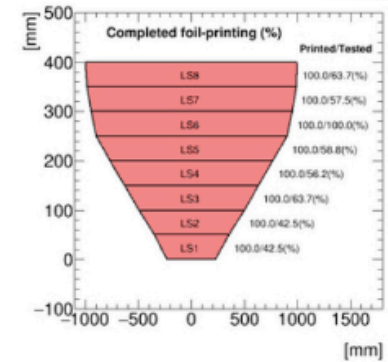
# LS6

- **LS6\_0XXXX** : old paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in May 2016 (~80 foils)



# LS7

- **LS7\_0XXXX** : old paste, cure 200 degree IR
  - Produced in May 2016 (~80 foils)





# LS8

- **LS8\_0XXXX :**

- old paste, cure 200 degree IR → Produced in May 2016 (~12 foils)

\*\*We fully consumed old paste during this production, then use new paste after LS8\_00013

- new paste, cure 200 degree IR → Produced in Feb 2017 (~70 foils)

