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### Instantaneous dose-rate monitor (DRM) for GIF++ and test of SiPM + scintillator as a DRM for Gif++

#### 1. Instantaneous dose-rate monitor (DRM) for GIF++

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User requirements for the instantaneous dose rate monitoring were satisfied with the design and test of the new online dose-rate monitor based on Berthold LB 6500 Geiger-Mueller Dose Rate Probes. The **eight-channel** monitor with the data transmission via an RS422/485 serial port is a simple and flexible device for measuring the instantaneous dose rate at several positions in GIF++. This work was performed within the framework of AIDA-2020 WP 15.5.

Berthold GM LB6500–3–H10 Technical Data	
Dose Rate Range	$10 \ \mu Sv/h - 1 \ Sv/h$
Energy Range	50 keV – 1.3 MeV (+/-40%) with regard to Cs-137 at $0^0$
Intrinsic Background	approx. 0.015 cps
Calibration Factor	7.05 μSv/h per cps

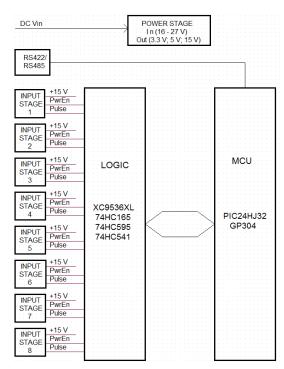
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# The block diagram and the view of the eight-channel monitoring board and a picture of the installed at ${ m GIF}++$

The board is built around a 16-bit PIC24HJ32GP304 microcontroller (MCU). The block LOGIC includes complex programmable logic device (CPLD) XC9536XL and integrated circuits 74HC165 ( parallel in/ serial out shift register, used for reading 6-bit board address and 2-bit mode set from 8-bit DIP switch), 74HC595 (serial in/ parallel out shift register, used to enable power supply to the dose probes), 74HC541 ( eight stage buffer for input pulses). The **self-adapting method of measurement allows automatically selecting of pre-set time** depending of input pulse rate. The pre-set time is changing from 1 s to 128 s in steps of the power of two. The pre-set time can be different for each individual channel.









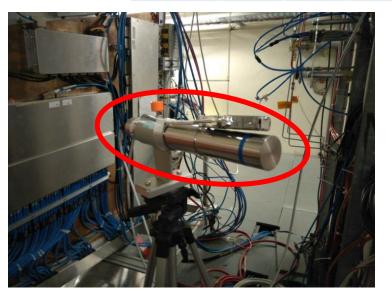
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#### TEST OF THE INSTANTANEOUS DOSE-RATE MONITOR AT GIF++

The eight-channel version was tested in 2017 at GIF++ in parallel with a RADMON accumulated dose sensor. The Berthold LB 6500 Geiger-Mueller Dose Rate Probe was tested and compared with RADMON measurements at the same position in GIF++. The result shows good agreement in the limit of precision for the RADMON and Berthold probe: **166 mGy/h for the RADMON** and **178 mGy/h for the Berthold probe**.

	Total dose Gy	Irradiat ion time hours	Dose per hour (RADMON) mGy/h	Probe counts cps	Probe cps (dead time correction)	Dose per hour (probe) mGy/h	Maximum cps per probe for the correct dose estimation
RADMON2 + probe2	15.9	96	166	18500	25342	178	45500

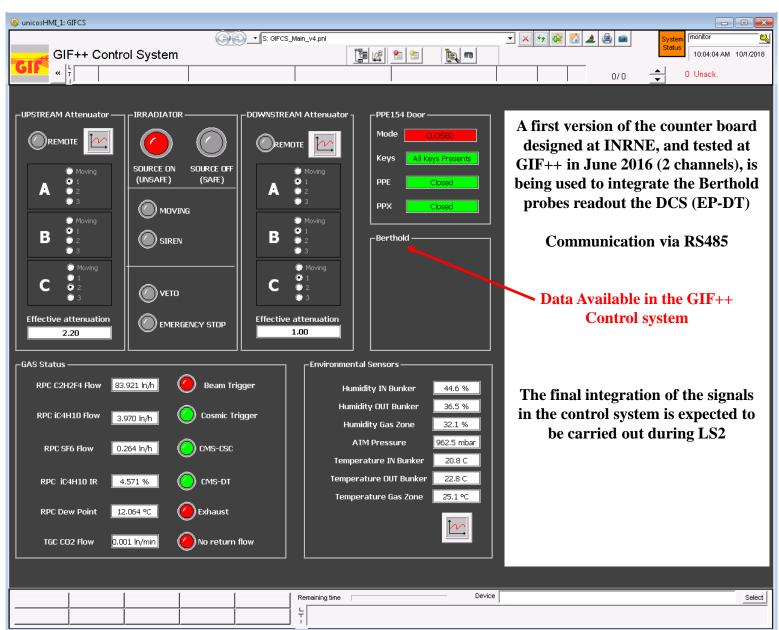


position of the RADMON+ Berthold GM Upstream and Downstream at Gif++











#### 2. TEST at INRNE of the SiPM and Plastic scintillator as a dose rate monitor – first results

°C

22.75

22.28

22.26

22.6

22.6

22.54

22.42

22.74



Counts vs Dose rate measurements

#### **Test configuration**

SiPM - Hamamatsu S13360-1325CS (57.28V) Photosensitive area: 1.3 x 1.3 mm, Pixel pitch: 25  $\mu$ m, reduced crosstalk and dark count, Gain (typ.) - 7.0×10<sup>5</sup>

#### Scintillator

-  $250x10x7\ mm^3$  , extruded polystyrene bar supplemented with 1.5% paraterphenyl (PTP) and POPOP 0.01%;

- 30-100 micron layer Uniplast actng as a diffusive reflector;

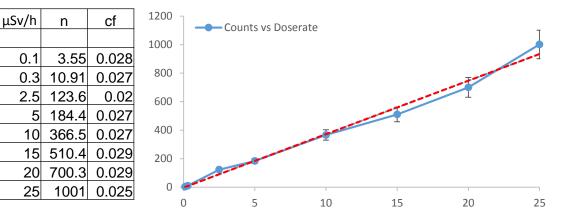
- Light shifter WLS Y11 KURARAY  $\Phi$  1 mm

**Preamp** – simple 2 transistors charge sensitive (RC =  $22\mu s$ )

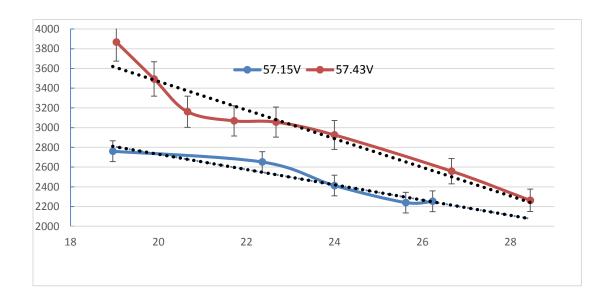
Amplifier - Canberra 2024, shaping time 2  $\mu$ s

ADC - 4k, custom made

<u>The calibration factor for SiPM probe</u> with 250 mm scintillator is 0.027 (mean value)



#### Temperature dependences for two SiPM voltages

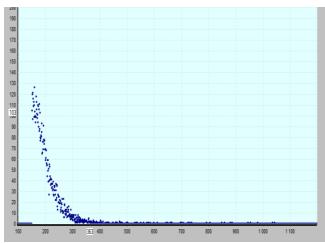


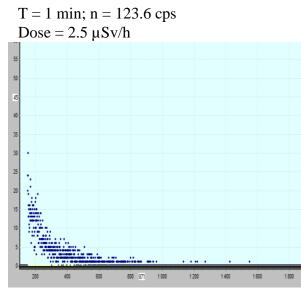
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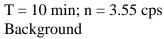




#### Samples of CS137 and background spectra







## Dose rate and energy ranges of the currently available Berthold gamma probes

Berthold GM LB6500–3– H10 Technical Data	LB6500–3 - H10	LB6500-4 - H10
Dose Rate Range	$10 \ \mu Sv/h - 1 \ Sv/h$	500 nSv/h - 3 mSv/h
Energy Range	50 keV - 1.3 MeV (+/-40%) with regard to Cs-137 at $0^0$	65 keV – 1.3 MeV (+/-40%) with regard to Cs-137 at $0^0$
Intrinsic Background	approx. 0.015 cps	approx. 0.08cps
Calibration Factor	7.05 μSv/h per cps	0.617 μSv/h per cps

#### **Conclusions:**

- Plastic scintillator + SiPM could be used as an Instantaneous doserate monitor (DRM) for GIF++
- With the small amount of the scintillator (250x10x10) mm, the calibration factor is 0.027 (mean value) shorter than for the Berthold probes.
- The peak from the Cs-137 photons is not seen because photons could not transfer all energy in the scintillator.
- Test at Gif++ could be made with the larger amount of the present scintillator, or, with another type of scintillator (NaI(Tl), BaF<sup>2</sup>...) for better understanding of the multiple scattering spectra.