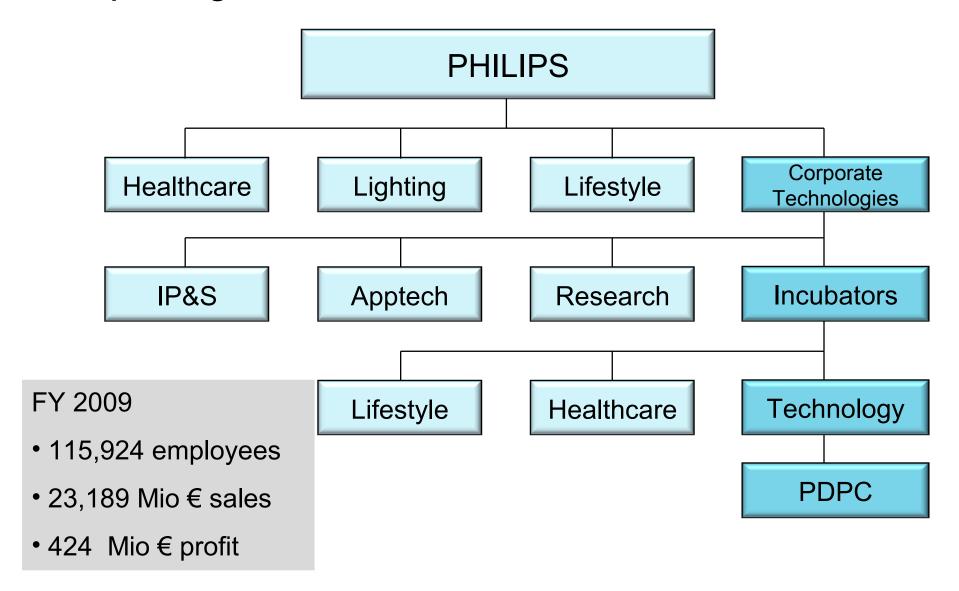
# sense and simplicity

Digital Silicon Photomultiplier

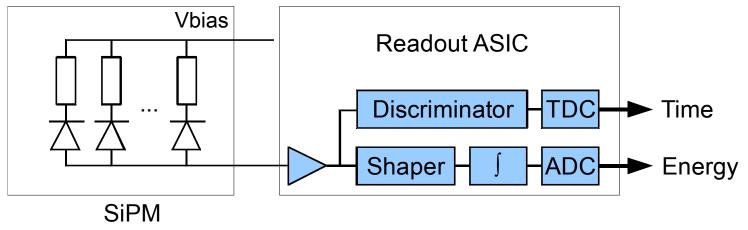
Philips Digital Photon Counting

# Philips Organization

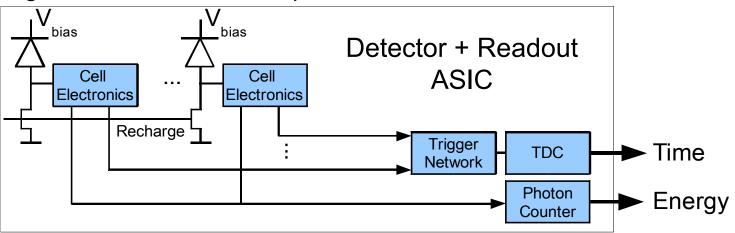


# Analog vs. Digital Photon Counting Detector

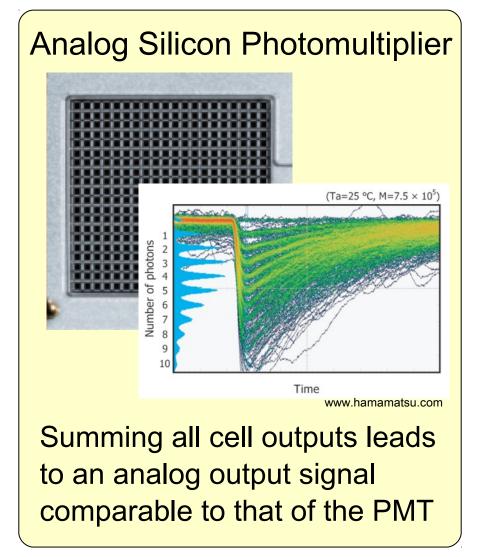
## Analog Silicon Photomultiplier Detector

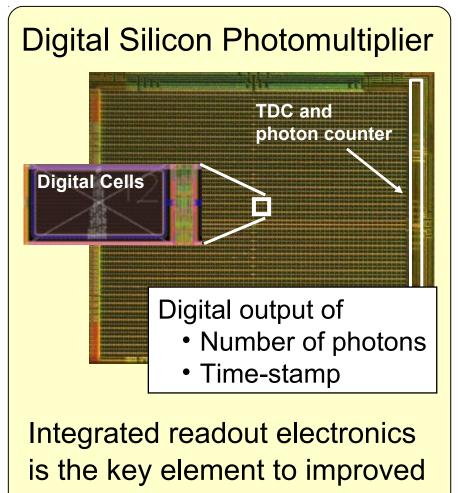


### Digital Silicon Photomultiplier Detector



# Analog vs. Digital Silicon Photomultiplier





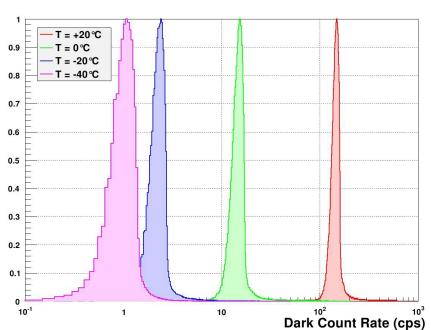
detector performance

# Digital SiPM Parameters

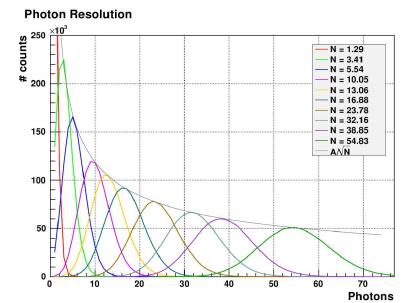
Control over individual SPADs enables detailed analysis (and optimization) of:

- Dark count rate of each diode
- Skew and jitter of the trigger network
- Time jitter of the SPAD and the TDC
- Breakdown voltage variation
- Afterpulsing, optical crosstalk, ...

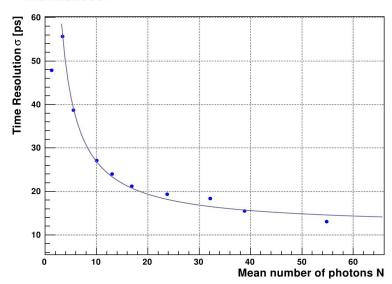
#### **SPAD Dark Count Rate Distribution**



### Picosecond-Laser:

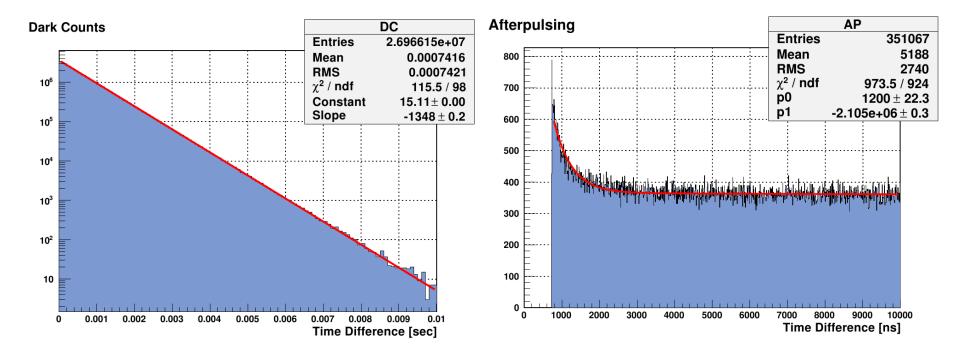








# Digital SiPM: Afterpulsing

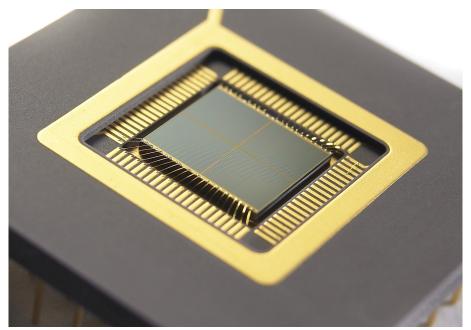


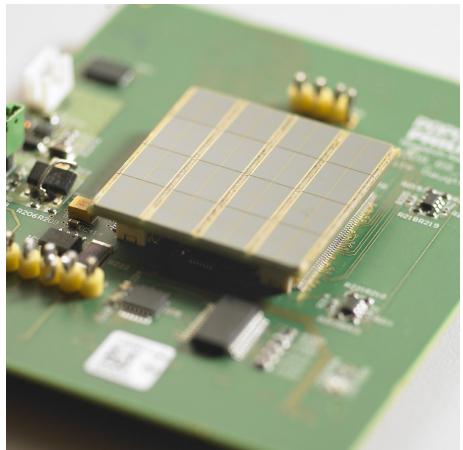
Time differences of two consecutive dark counts in a single diode.

Afterpulsing: deviation from the Poisson distribution in the first few µs.

Many diodes show afterpulsing probabilities of less than 0.1%, few are in the 2-3% range.

# **Current Status**



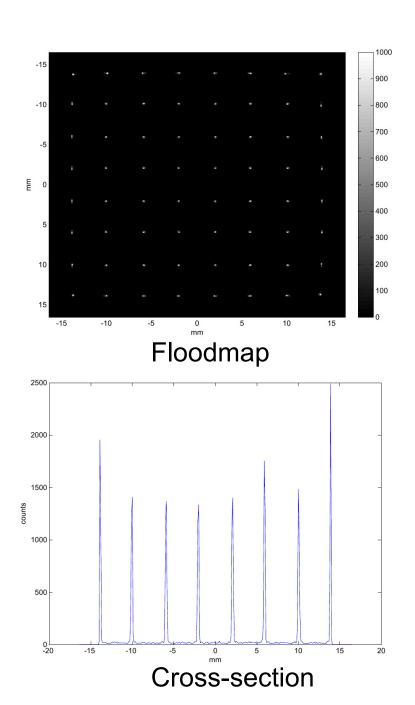


- 2x2 pixel SiPM sensor fully operational
- 8x8 pixel SiPM arrays tested and working
- · Lot of work done on process optimization and yield learning
- Industrialization phase ongoing
- Re-design planned for early next year (fill factor, trigger network)

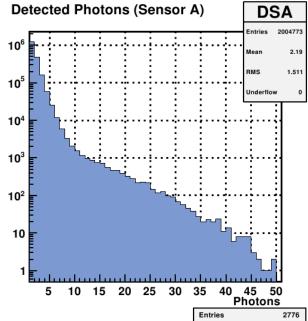
# **Crystal Measurements**

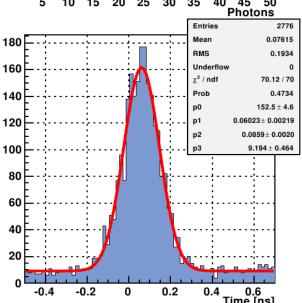


8x8 array of LYSO crystals coupled to one tile, illuminated by a <sup>22</sup>Na source



# Čerenkov Light Detection



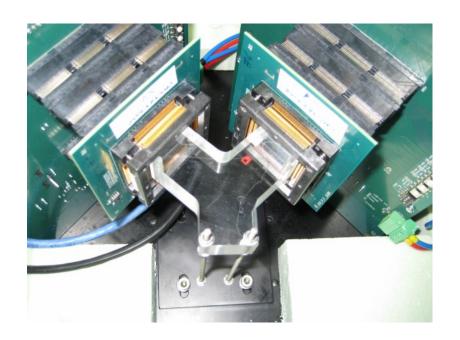


First tests at CERN SPS in August 2010 in collaboration with Prof. Düren (Univ. Gießen)

CRT  $\sigma$  = 85.9ps  $\rightarrow$  Sensor  $\sigma$  = 60.7ps

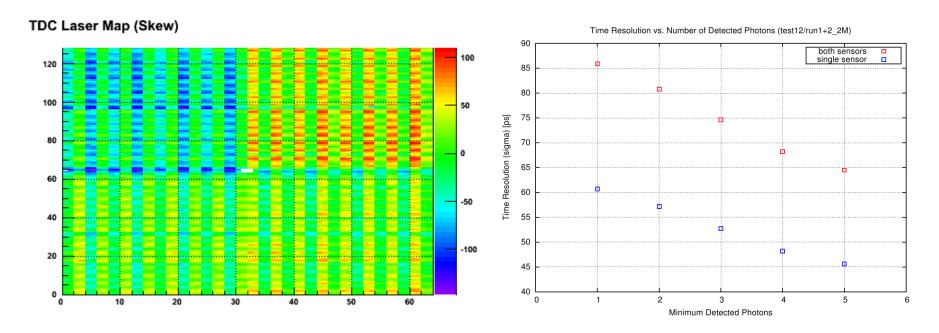
Sensor optimization could lead to  $\sigma = 30-40$ ps.

Next beam time: December 2010 at DESY



ASPERA Technology Forum, Munich, October 21-22, 2010

# Time Resolution vs. Detected Photons



Time resolution improves with the number of photons

- Sampling of the trigger network skew
- Trigger network now the main limiting factor for single photon timing
- The skew will be minimized in the next submission

Expected single photon time resolution after optimization:  $\sigma = 30-40$ ps

