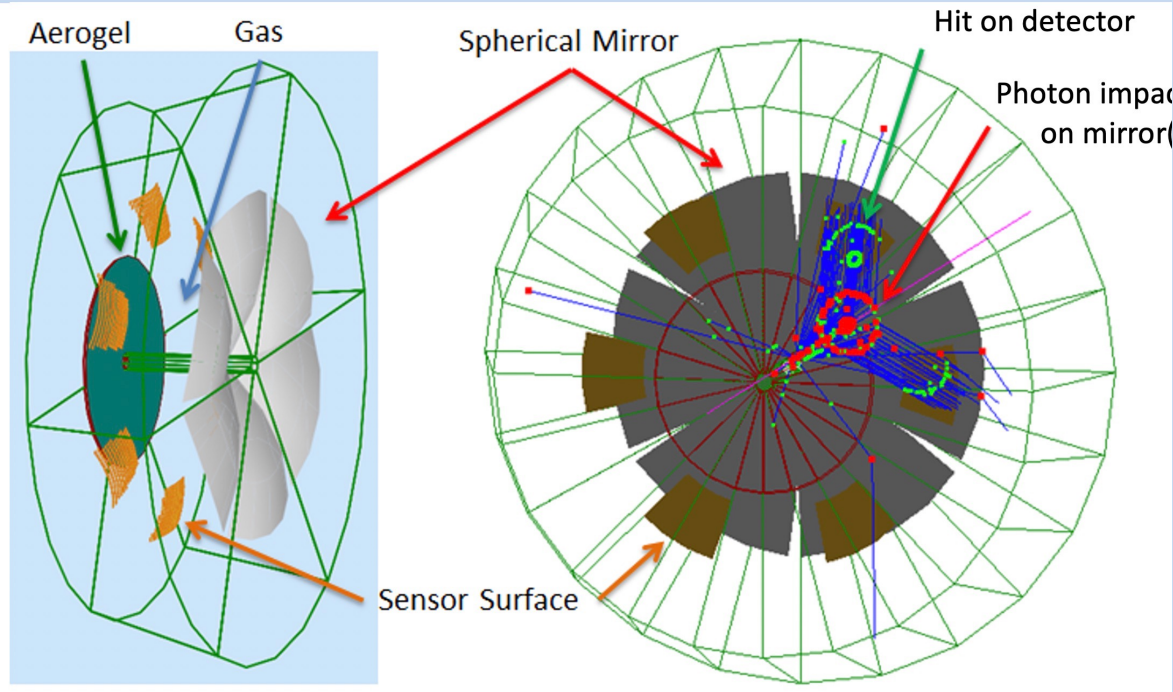


Two main challenges

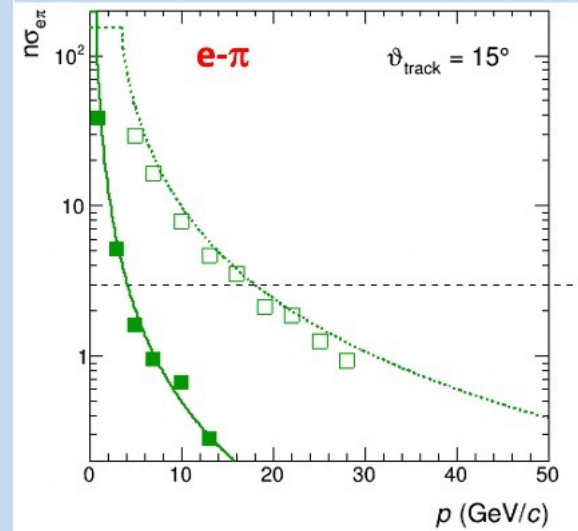
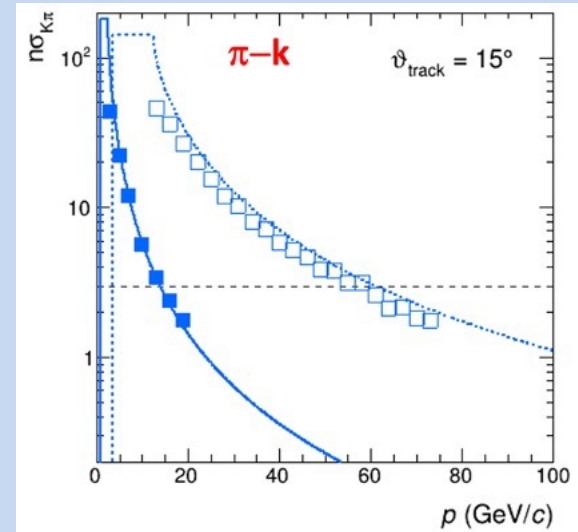
: cover wide momentum range 3 - 60 GeV/c
work in high ($\sim 1T$) magnetic field



dRICH: effective solution for ePIC detector

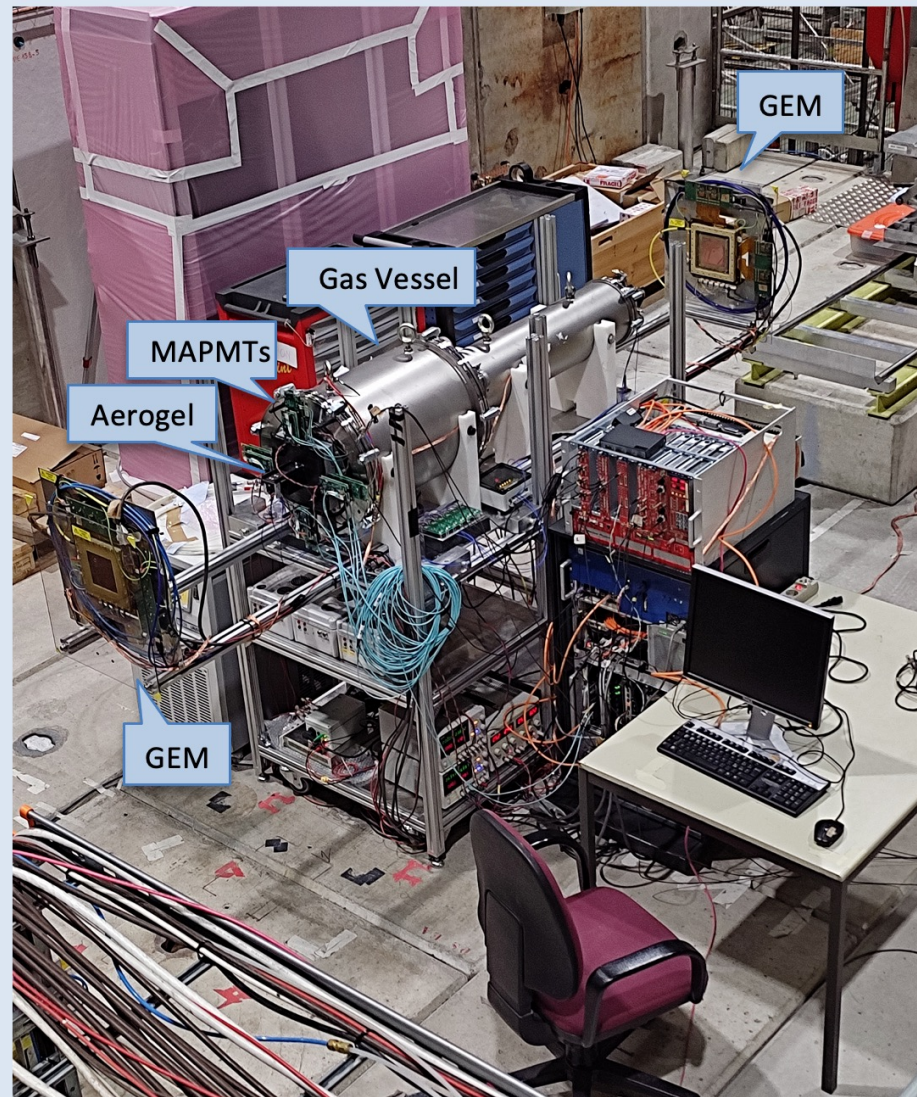
Two radiators: Aerogel ($n_{\text{AERO}} \sim 1.02$) + Gas ($n_{\text{C}_2\text{F}_6} \sim 1.0008$)

SiPM Detector: 0.5 m²/sector , 3x3 mm² pixel



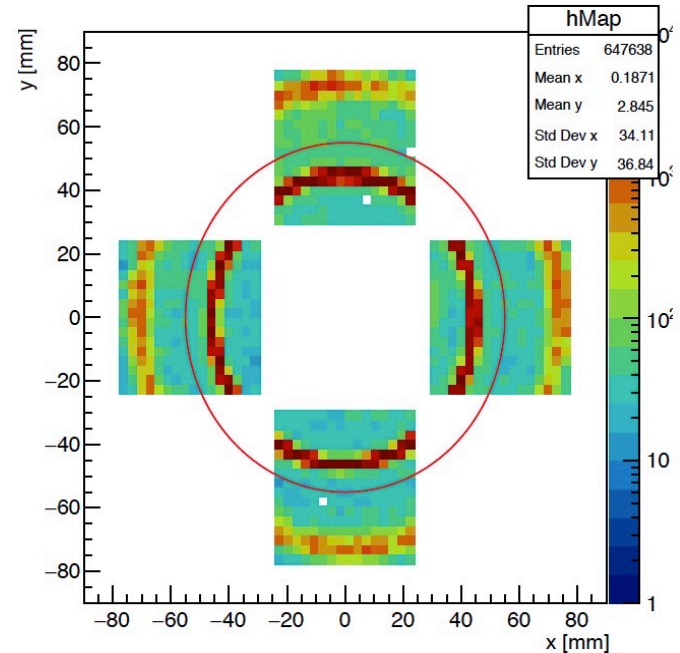
Phase Space:
- Polar angle: 5-25 deg
- Momentum: 3-60 GeV/c

Operative prototype commissioned. Double ring imaging achieved. Performance in line with expectations except for aerogel single-photon angular resolution (worse by a factor ~ 1.5)



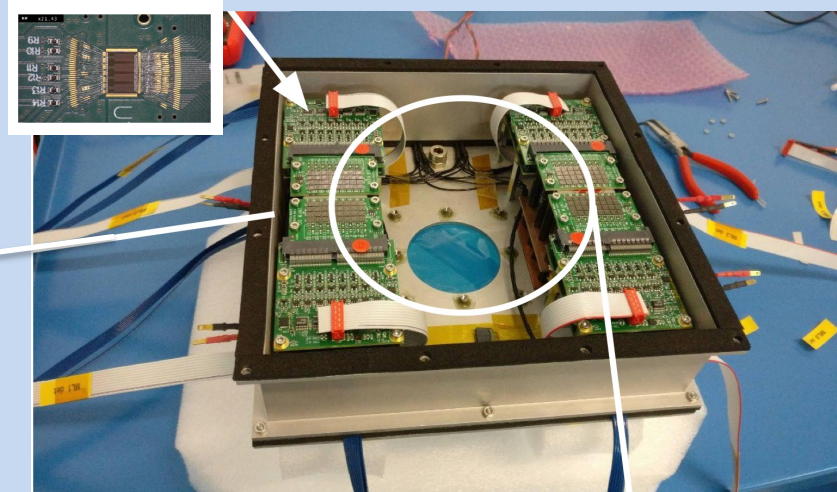
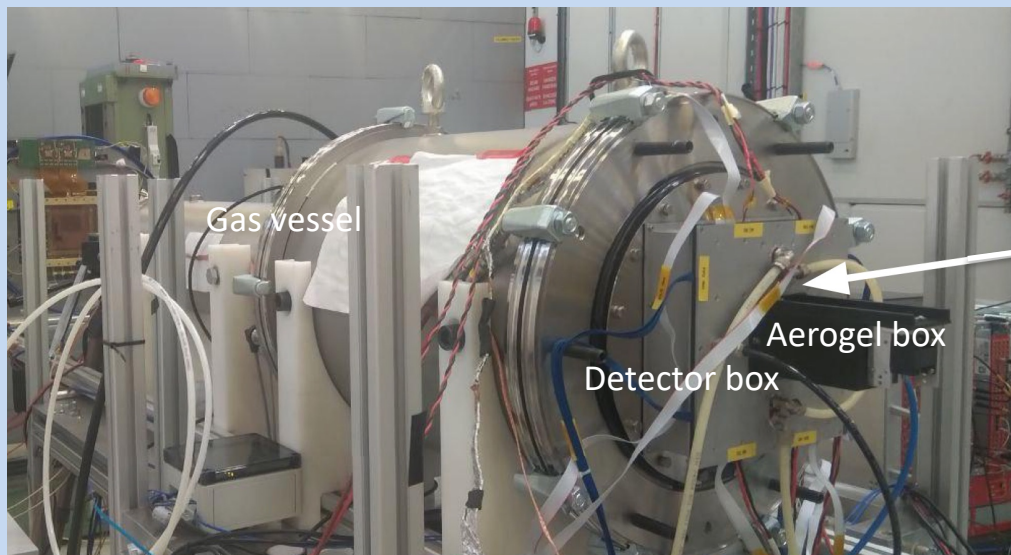
Two radiator concept validation (with a reference MAPMT readout)

Reference readout from CLAS12 RICH:
H13700 MA-PMTs + ALCOR3 ToT chip



Gas ring coverage: 60%
Aerogel ring coverage: 40 %

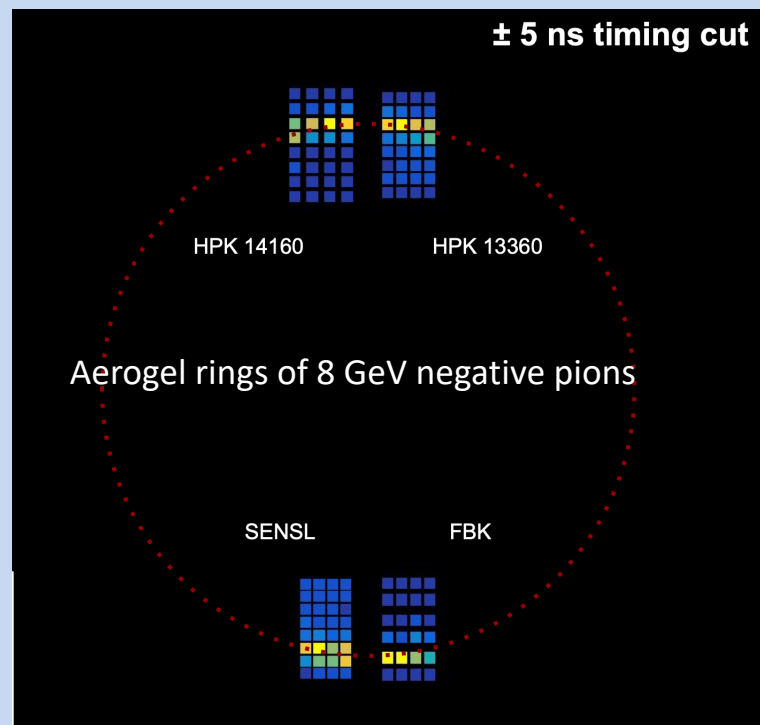
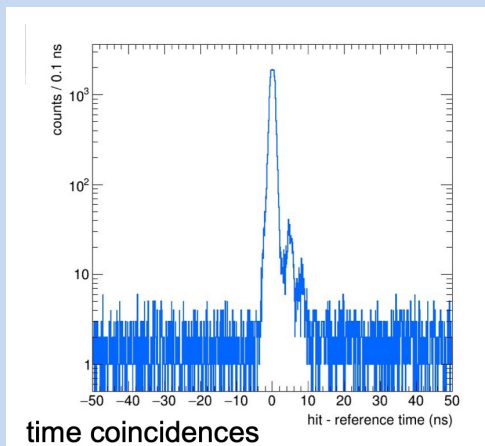
Irradiation and annealing campaign performed on various SiPM sensor from different manufacturers



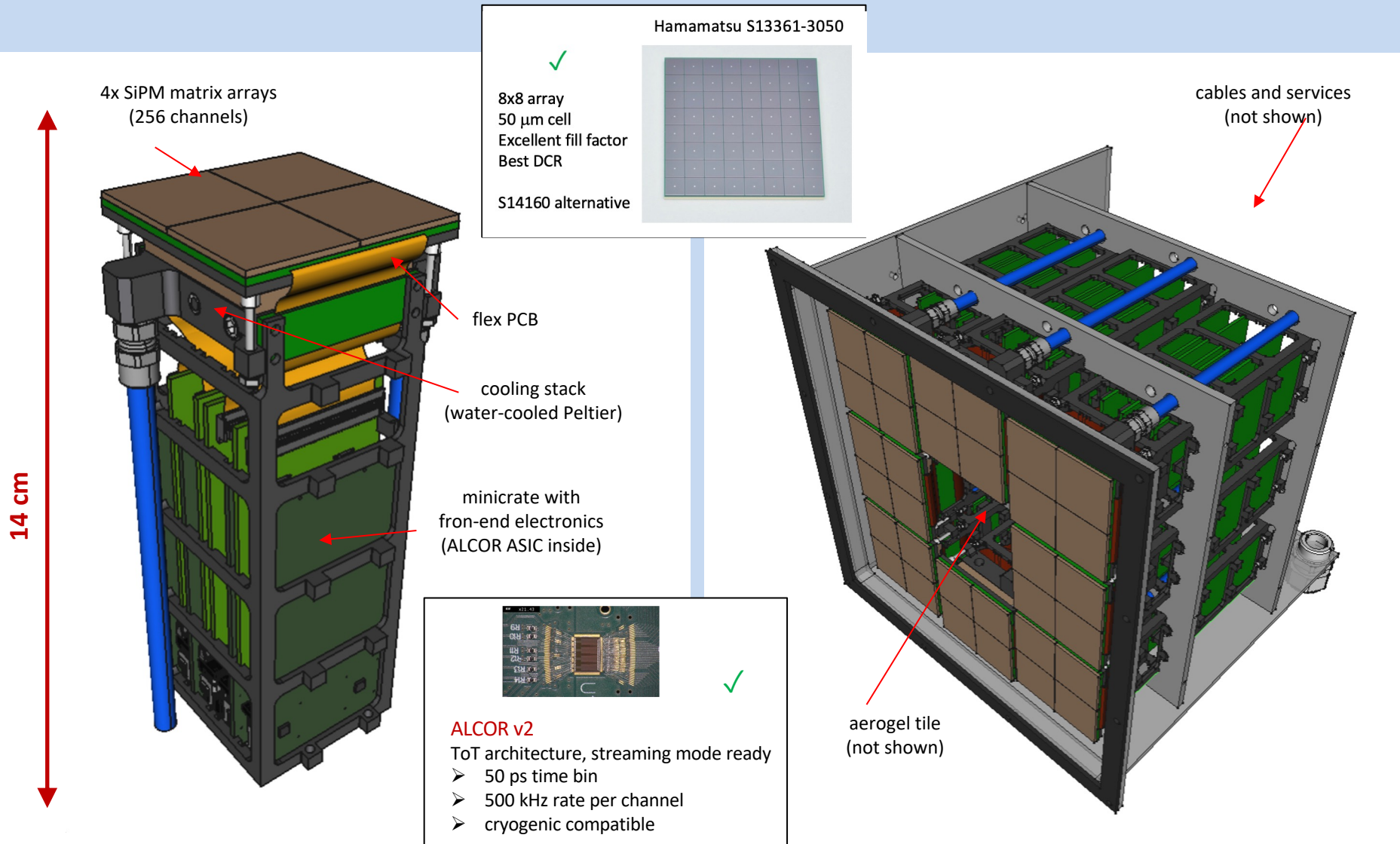
Test beam at CERN PS
dRICH prototype with SiPM+ALCOR readout

Successful Cherenkov ring detection with SiPM

- irradiated
(with protons up to $10^{10} n_{eq}$)
- annealed
(in oven at 150 C)



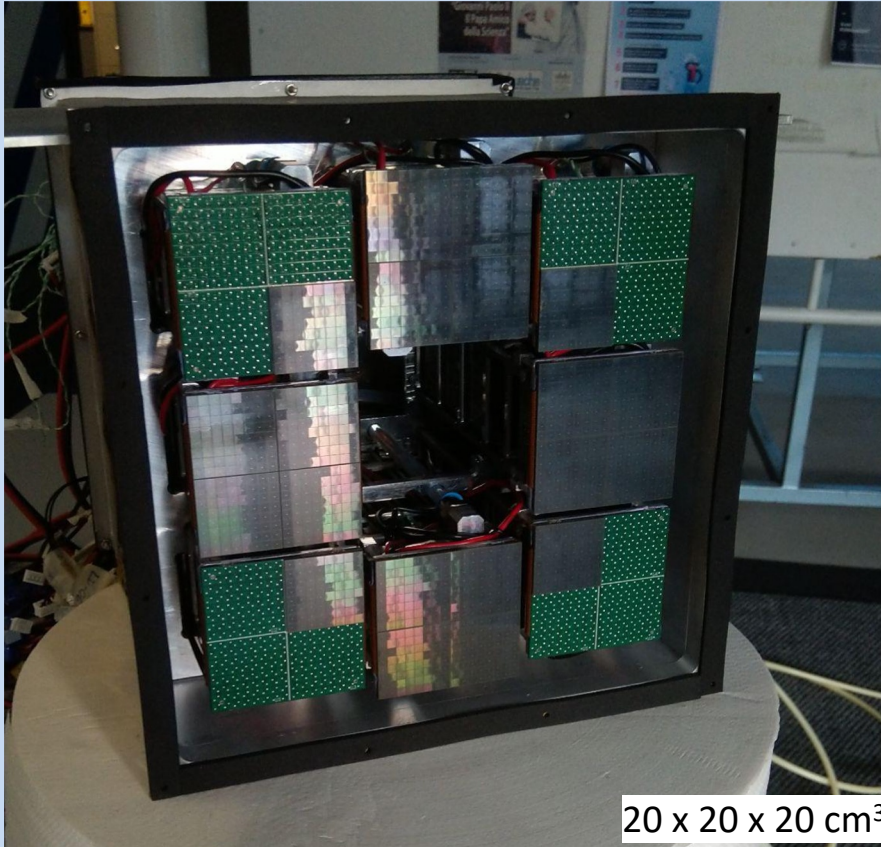
Compact 256 ch unit with integrated cooling and annealing capability



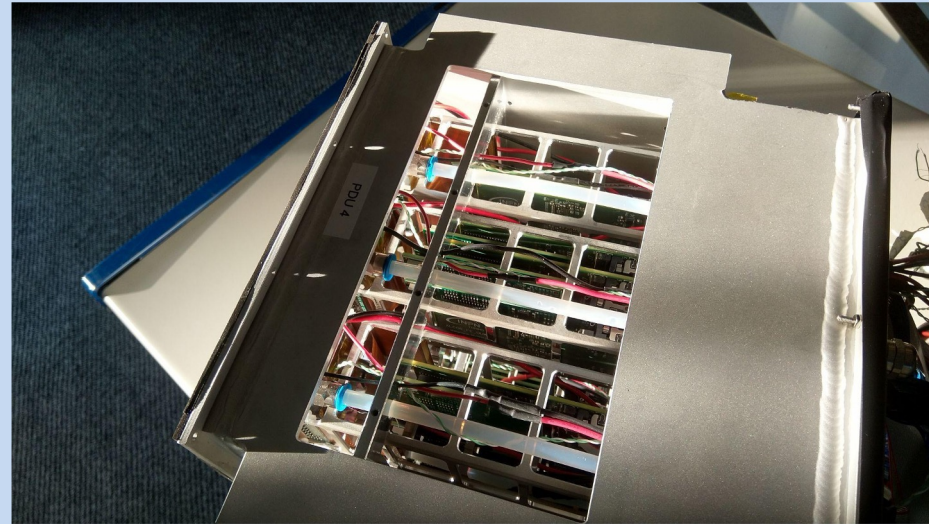
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Readout Box (front)

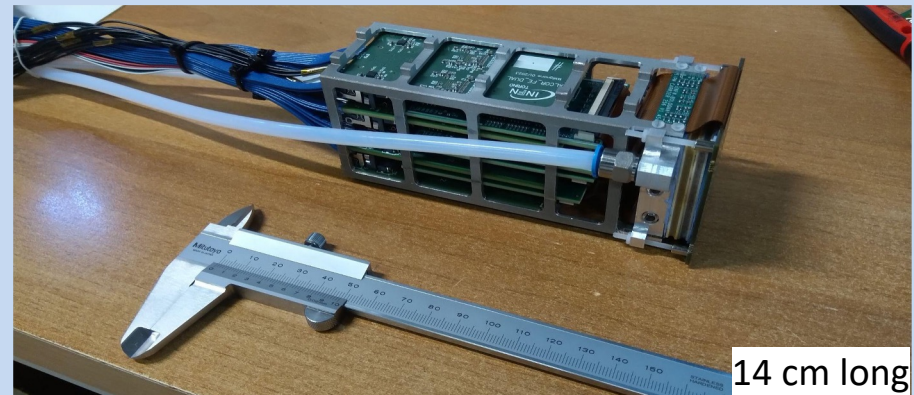
Instrumented with more than 1000 channels



Readout Box (top)



Photon Detector Unit (PDU)



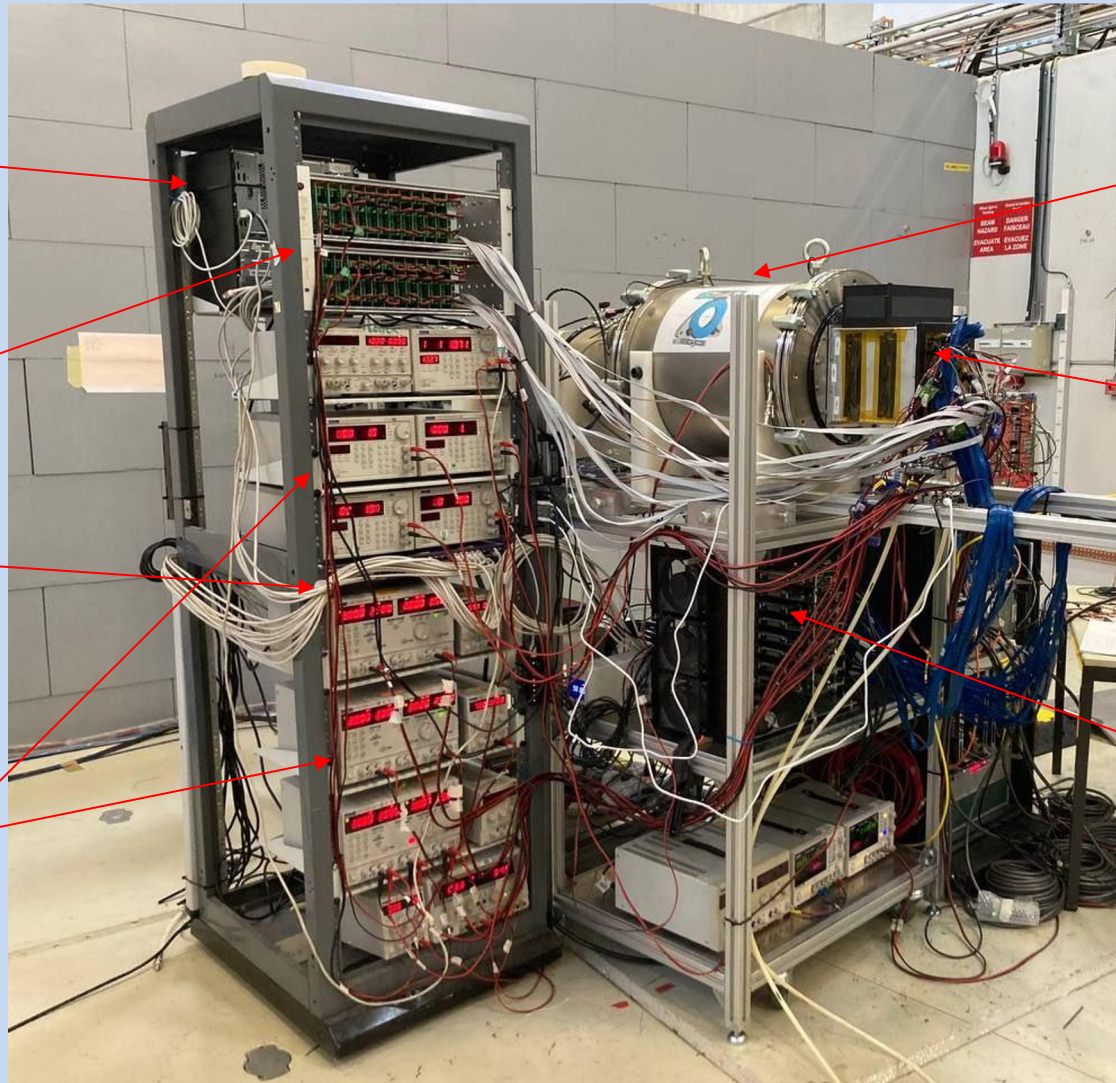
Beam test at CERN PS-T10 beam line: October 2023

DAQ and DCS computers

auxiliary control electronics crates

gigabit ETH switch for DAQ and DCS

low voltage and high voltage power supplies



dRICH prototype

SiPM photodetector readout box

DAQ FPGAs and clock distribution

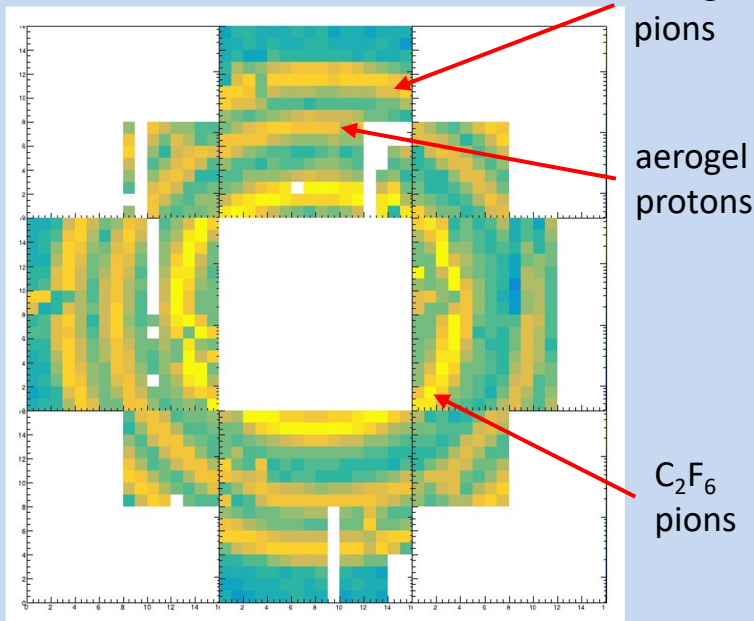
Online monitors and QA plots indicate a successful beam test. Analysis is ongoing

PDU 1	PDU 2	PDU 3	PDU 4
bias voltage 53.0 v	bias voltage 53.0 v	bias voltage 53.0 v	bias voltage 53.0 v
PID control On	PID control On	PID control On	PID control On
setpoint -37 °C	setpoint -37 °C	setpoint -37 °C	setpoint -35 °C

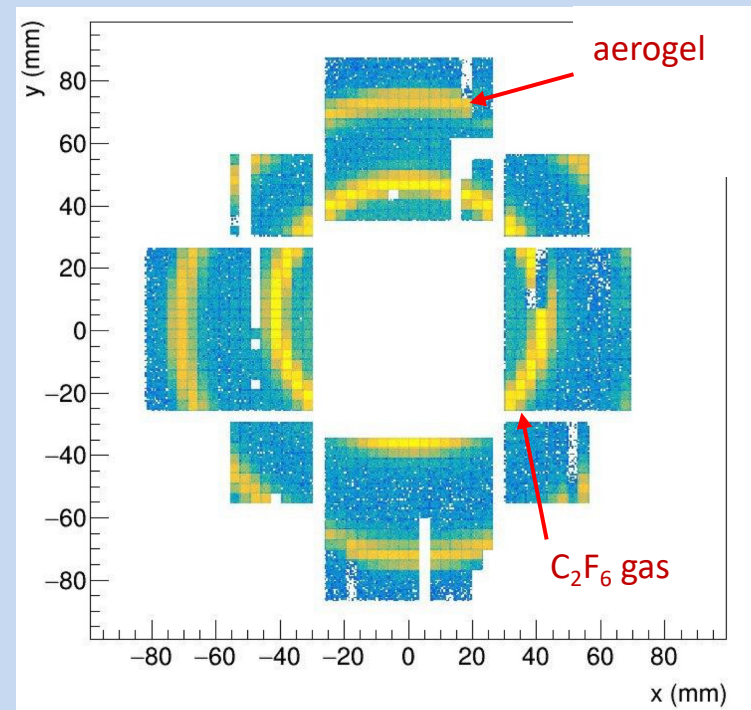
low temperature SiPM operation

Successful imaging with a compact EIC-driven readout plane based on SiPM + ALCOR

8 GeV positive beam



10 GeV positive beam



2022: dRICH imaging with reference detectors

Extended SiPM irradiation + annealing campaign

Cherenkov light detection with irradiated SiPM

2023: EIC-drive photon-detector plane

dRICH imaging with EIC-driven detector plane

Outlook: Refined data analysis and simulation

Final assessment