EIC eRD102: Dual-Radiator RICH

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The dRICH Project

Compact cost-effective solution for particle identification in the high-energy endcap at EIC

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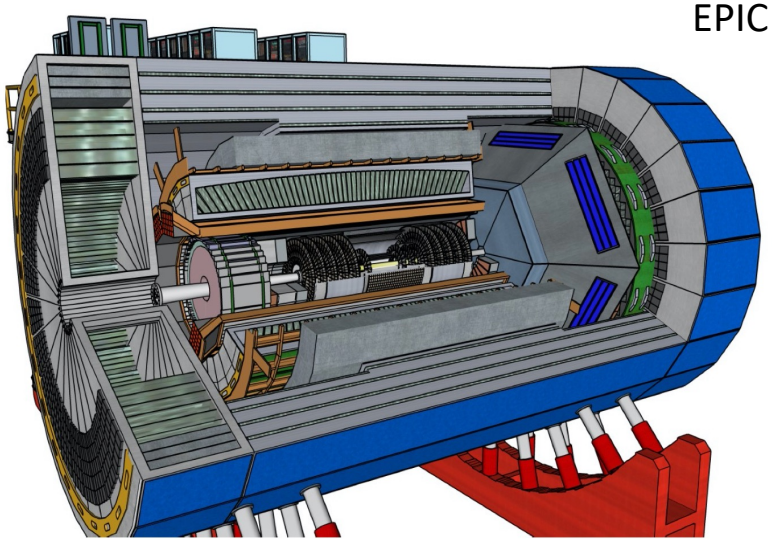
SA, TO, TS



Duke University

NISER

Georgia State University

Stony Brook University

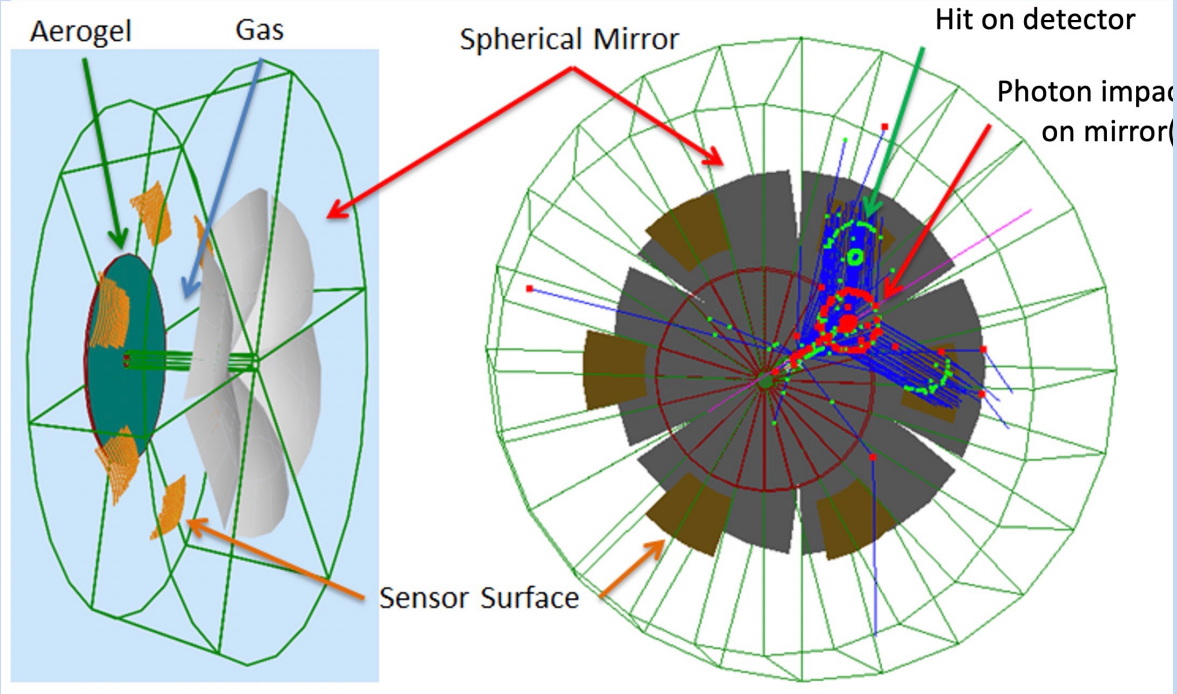
p: 41 GeV, 100 to 275 GeV → p/A beam

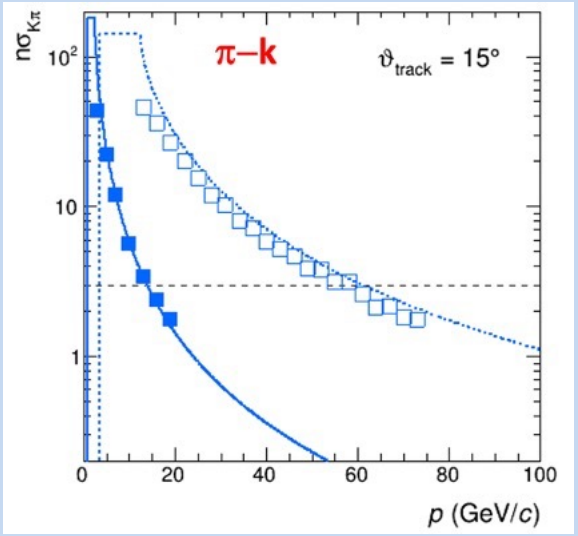
e beam ← **e: 5 GeV to 18 GeV**

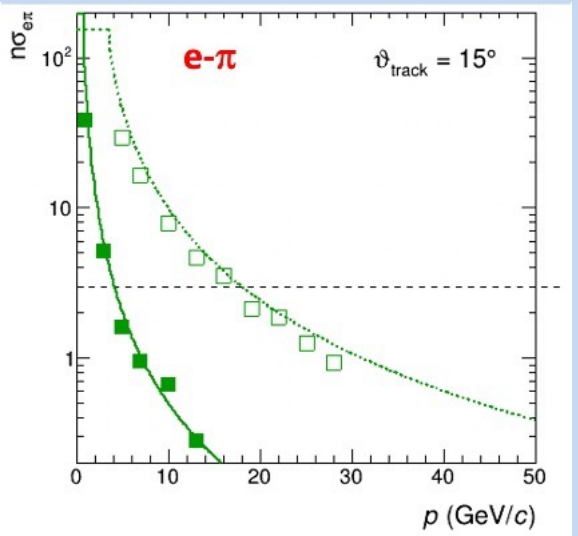
The dual-radiator RICH has been a common reference in the forward region since EIC Yellow Report
Important connections & synergies with other targeted EIC R&D (eRD102, eRD110, eRD109, ….)

Dual Radiator RICH @ EIC

Two main challenges : **cover wide momentum range 3 - 60 GeV/c**
work in high (~ 1T) magnetic field







dRICH: effective solution, part of EIC reference detector

Radiators: Aerogel (n_{AERO}~1.02) + Gas (n_{C2F6} ~ 1.0008)
extensive volume + focalization

Detector: 0.5 m^2/sector , 3x3 mm^2 pixel → SiPM option
detector box outside acceptance

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

Risk Mitigation

Performance: Obtain an effective optics/resolution within EPIC constraints

- ✓ Benchmark propose solutions with a prototype
- ✓ Simulate the non-trivial geometry (extended gas volume, field map)
- ✓ Study structure and services
- ✓ Interplay with other detectors (tracking, PID, material budget)

Photodetector: Realize a suitable (magnetic tolerant) photon detection plane

- ✓ Study dark rate and radiation damage mitigation for SiPM
- ✓ Implement a streaming readout chain (ALCOR ToT)
- ✓ Contribute to LAPPD development in parallel
- ✓ Prototype a suitable detector plane (SiPM + DAQ with integrated cooling)

Aerogel: Validate aerogel manufacturers alternative to Russia

- ✓ Characterization campaign for unprecedented aerogel with n=1.02
- ✓ Investigate ASPEN interest and capability in optical aerogel
- ✓ Work with Aerogel Factory for customized aerogel (transparency, dimensions,…)

Gas: Search alternatives to greenhouse gases

- ✓ Study mechanics of a pressurized vessel

Mirrors: Validate composite mirrors and strucure materials

- ✓ Validate the new cost-effective manufacturing procedure with CMA
- ✓ Study mirror support and alignment
- ✓ Study mechanics of the full-scale detector

✓ Well structured

✓ Ongoing

✓ Being started

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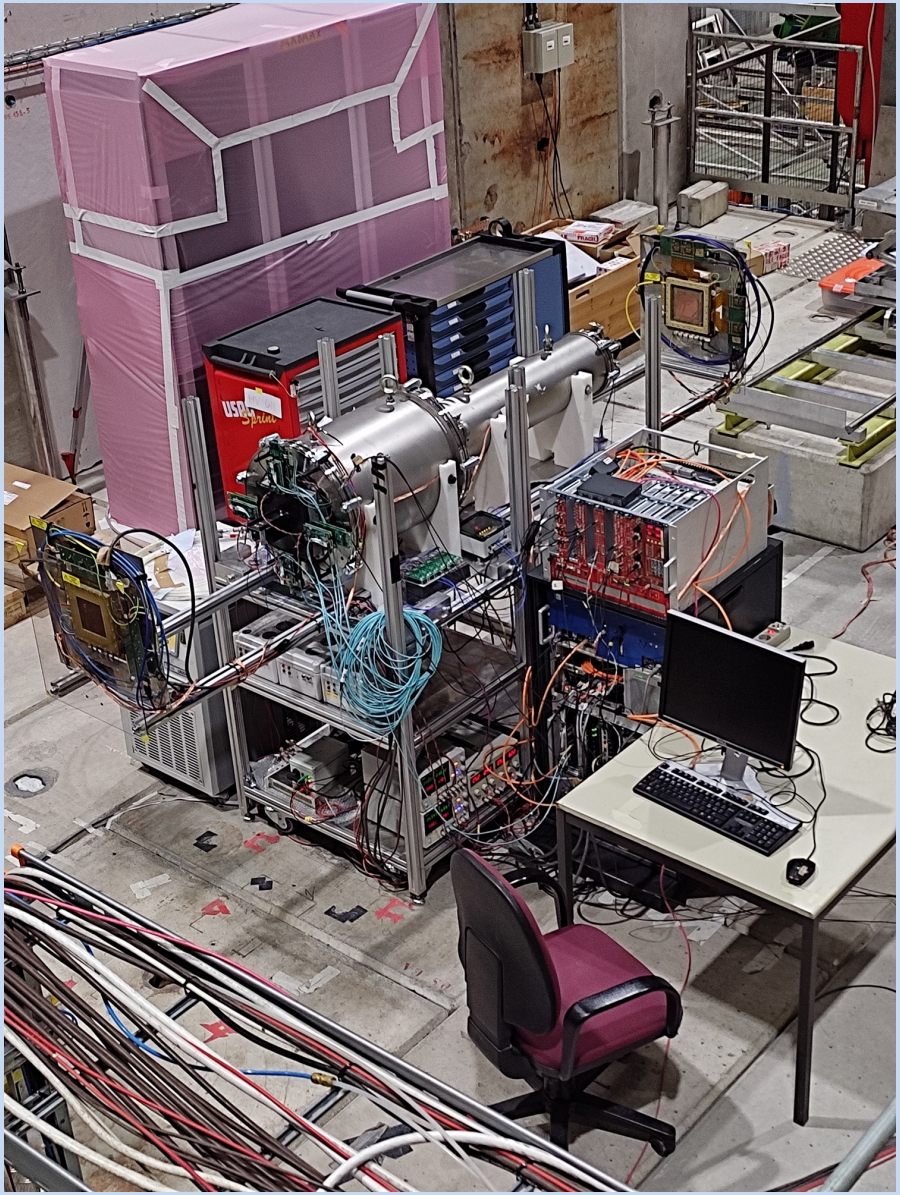
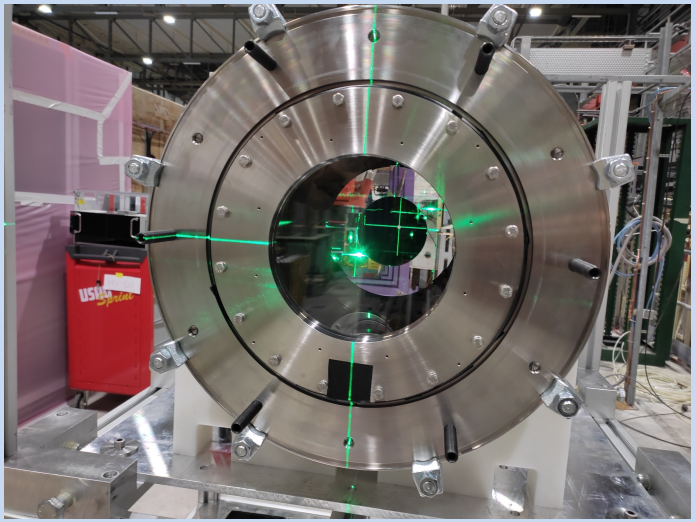
dRICH Prototype

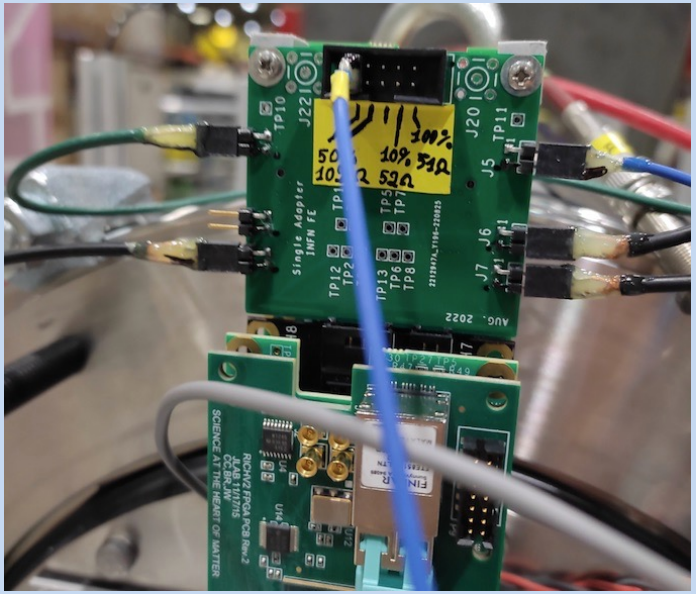
Test beam @ PPE158 - SPS September 2022



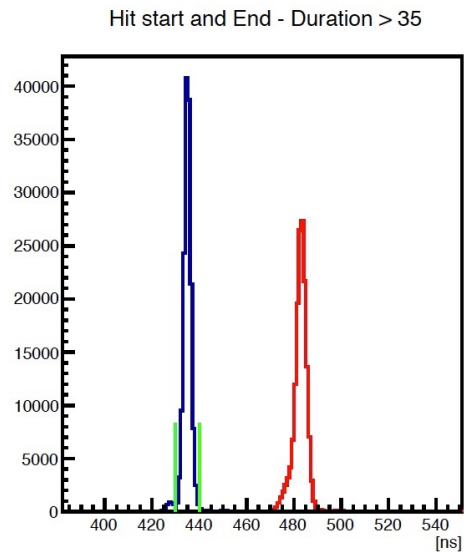
Refined alignment tools and procedure

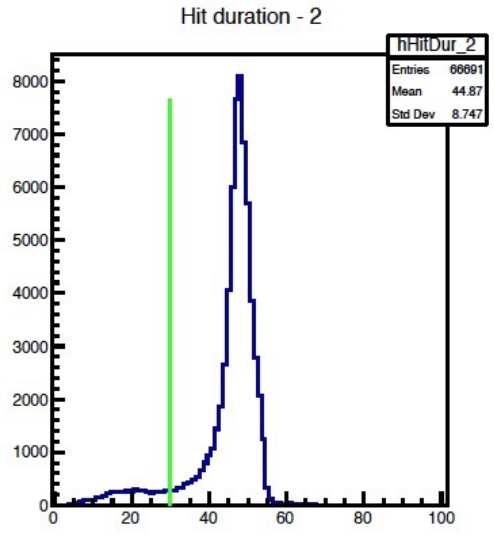


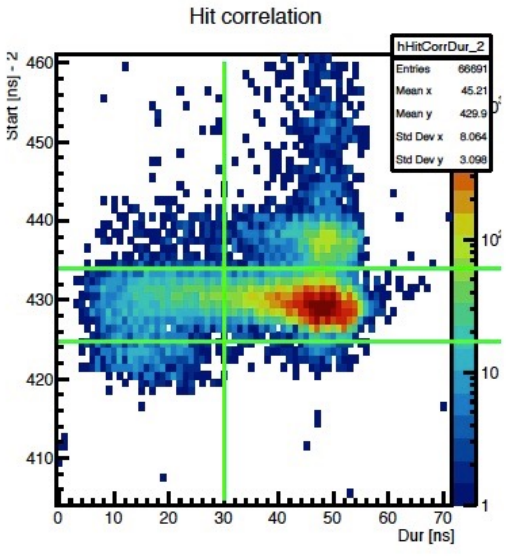
Beam information: time and Cherenkov tagging

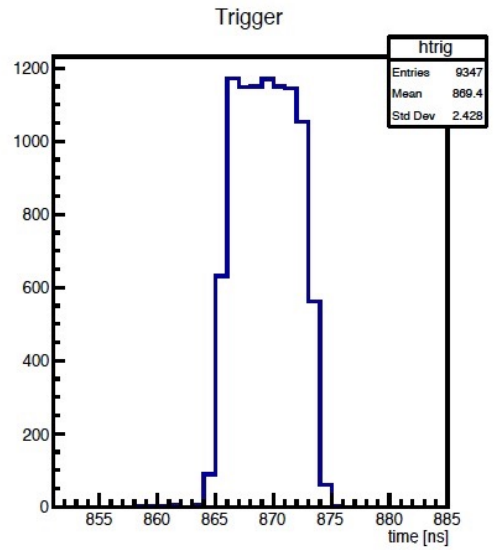


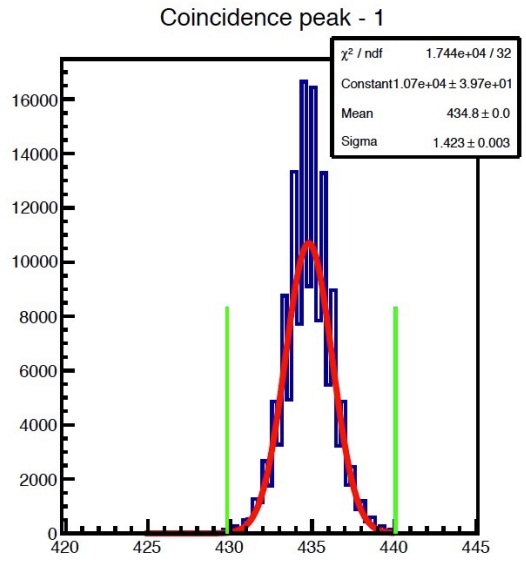
Prototype Time Analysis

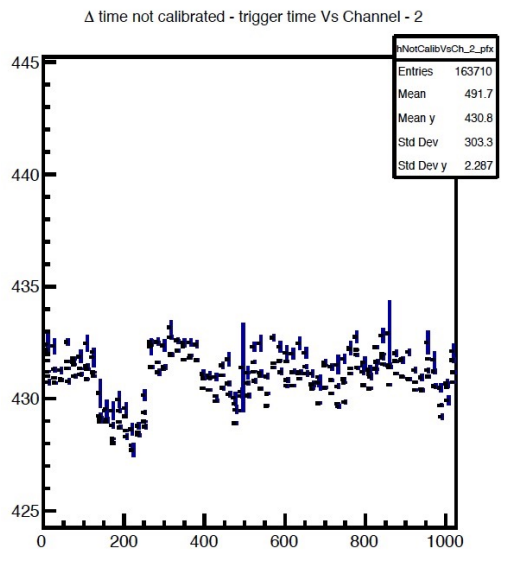






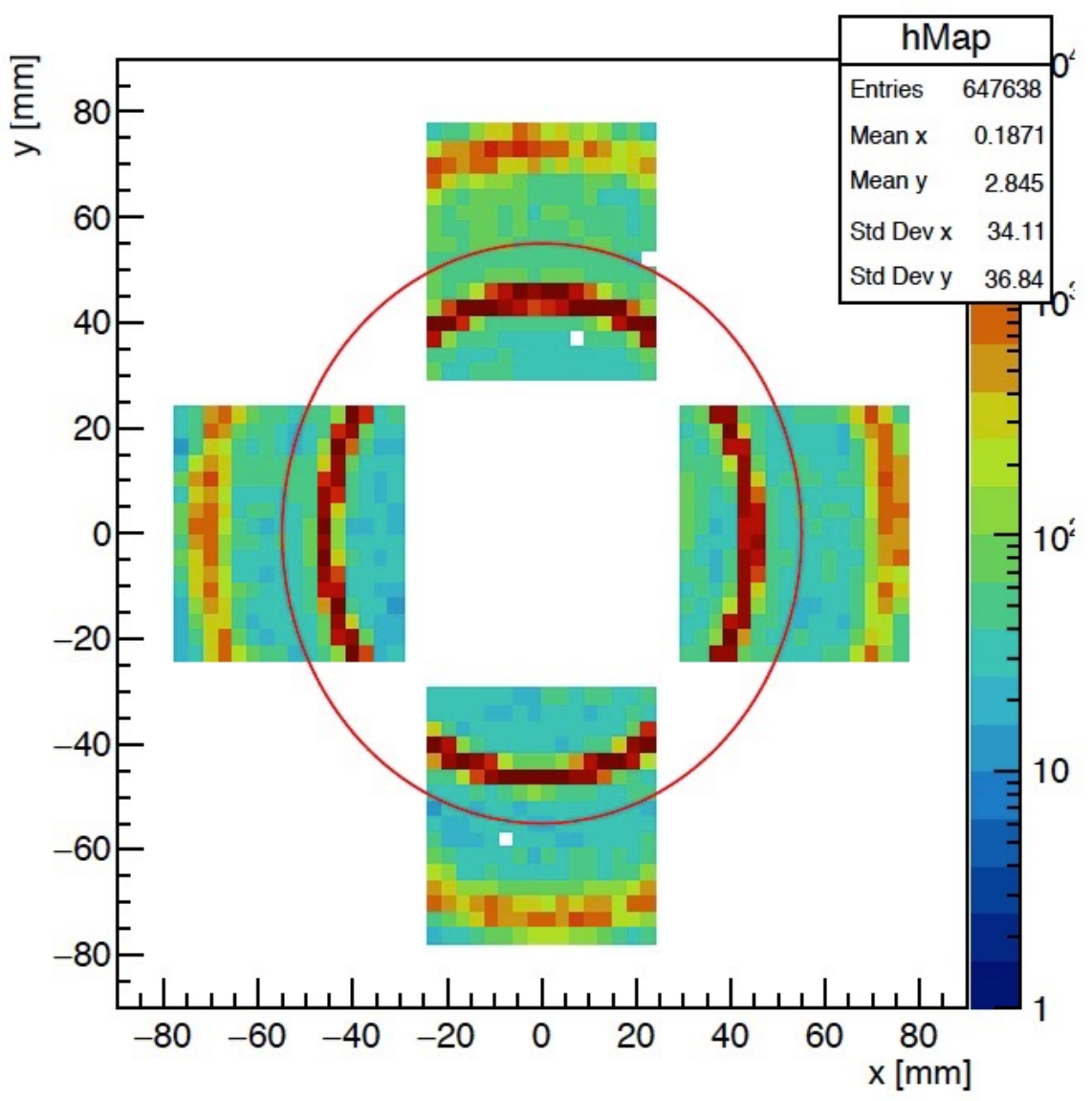


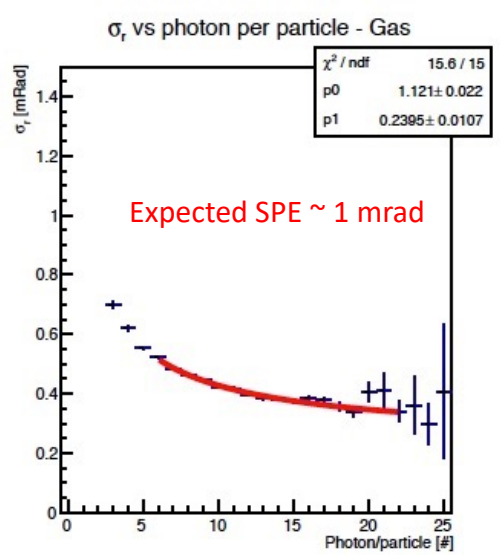


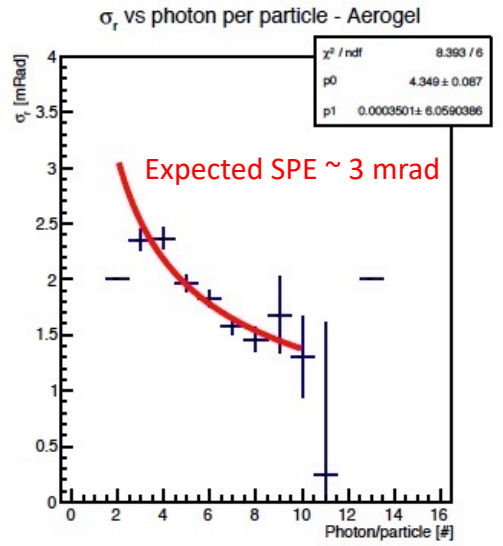


Prototype Cherenkov Analysis

Preliminary results: Two radiators with 180 hadron beam with reference readout

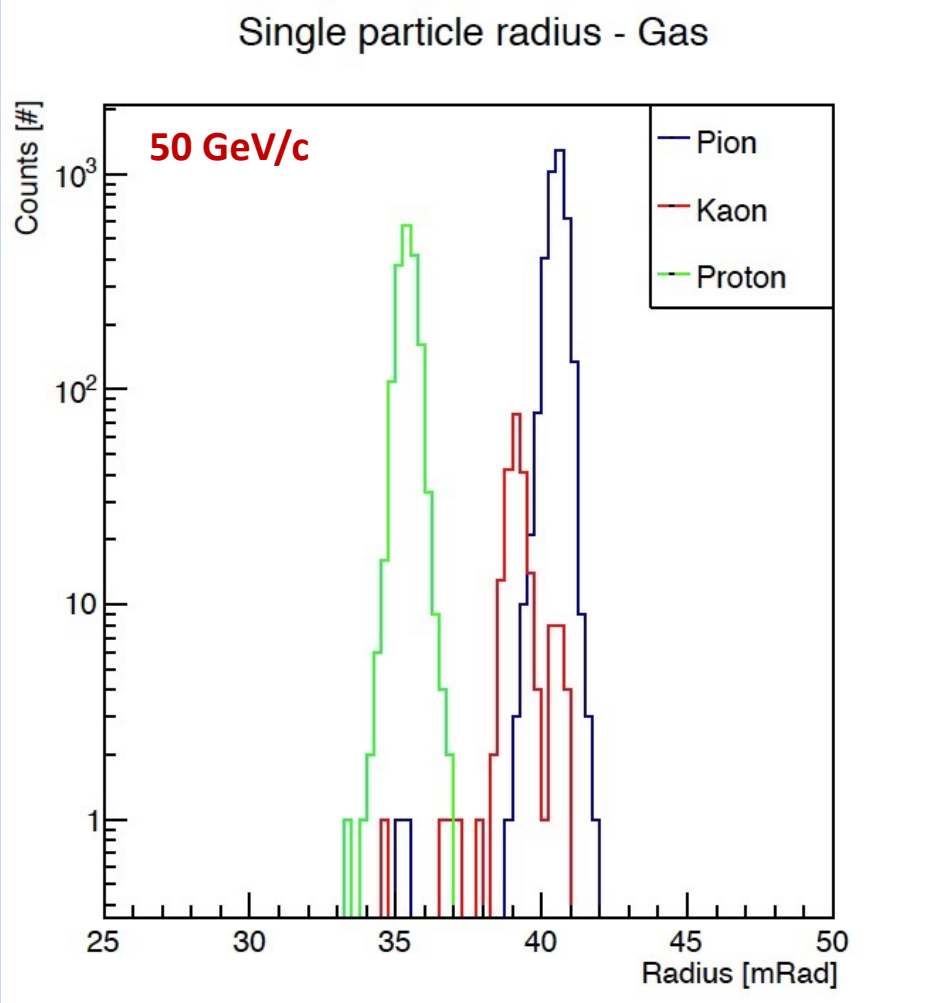


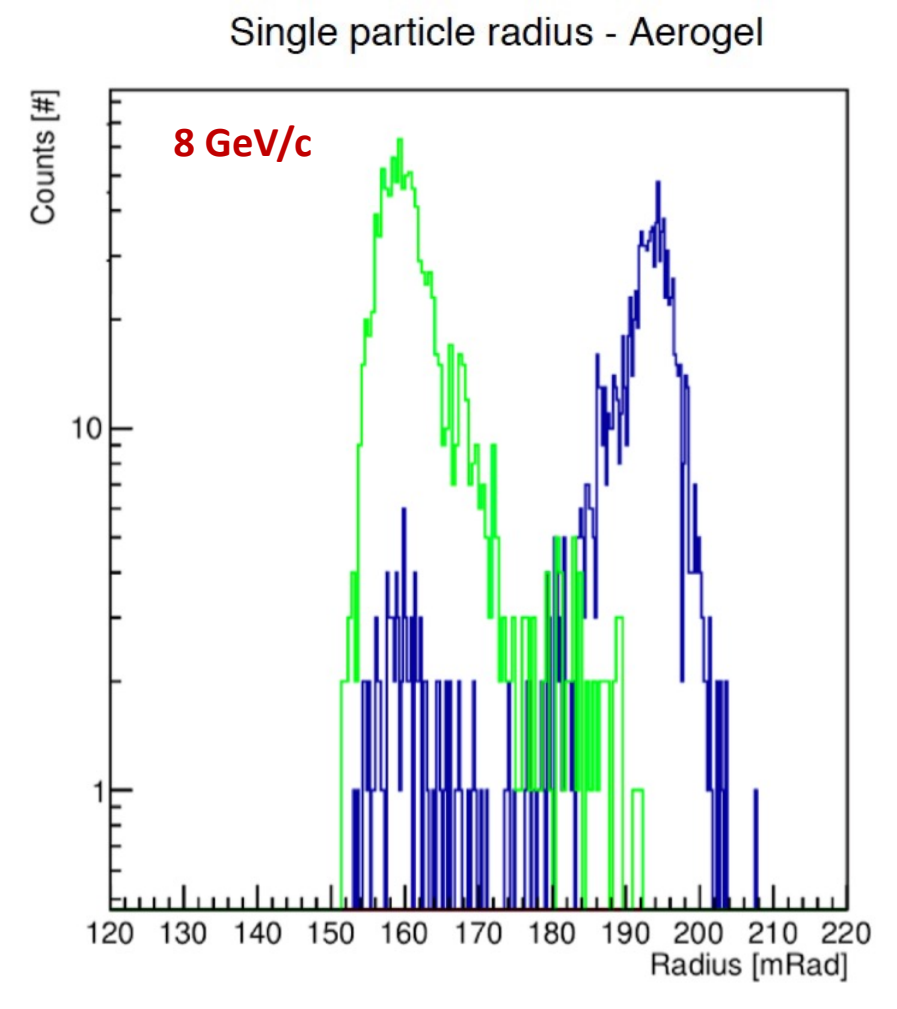




Prototype Radiator Interplay

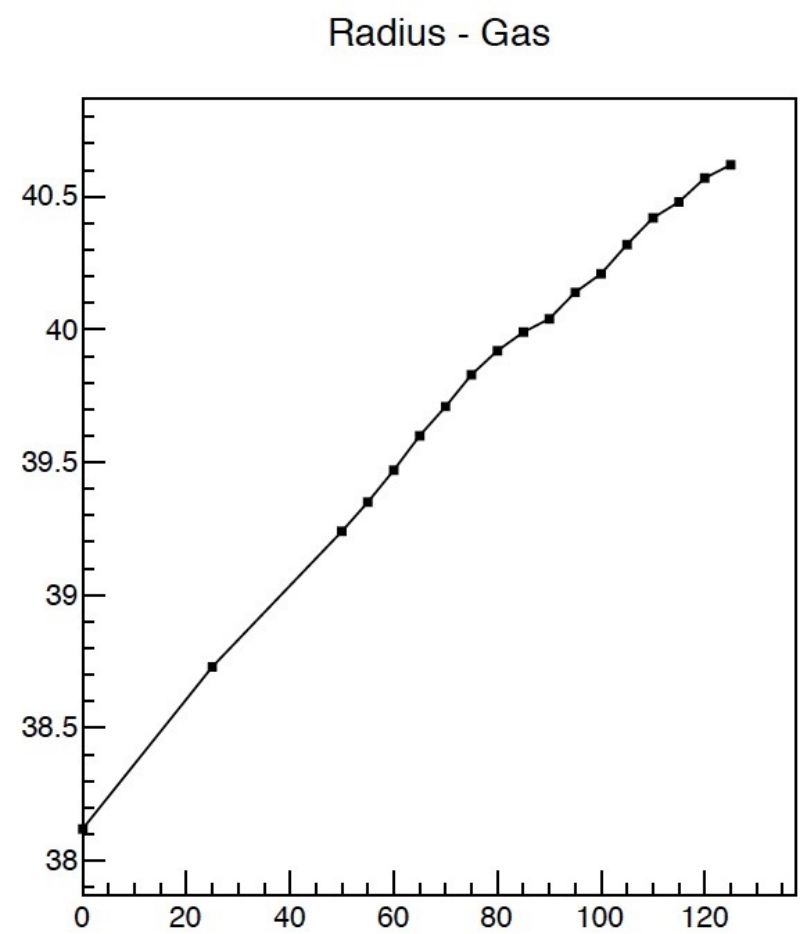
Test at 50 GeV mixed hadron beam with tagging by beam instrumentation (3x gas Cherenkov)

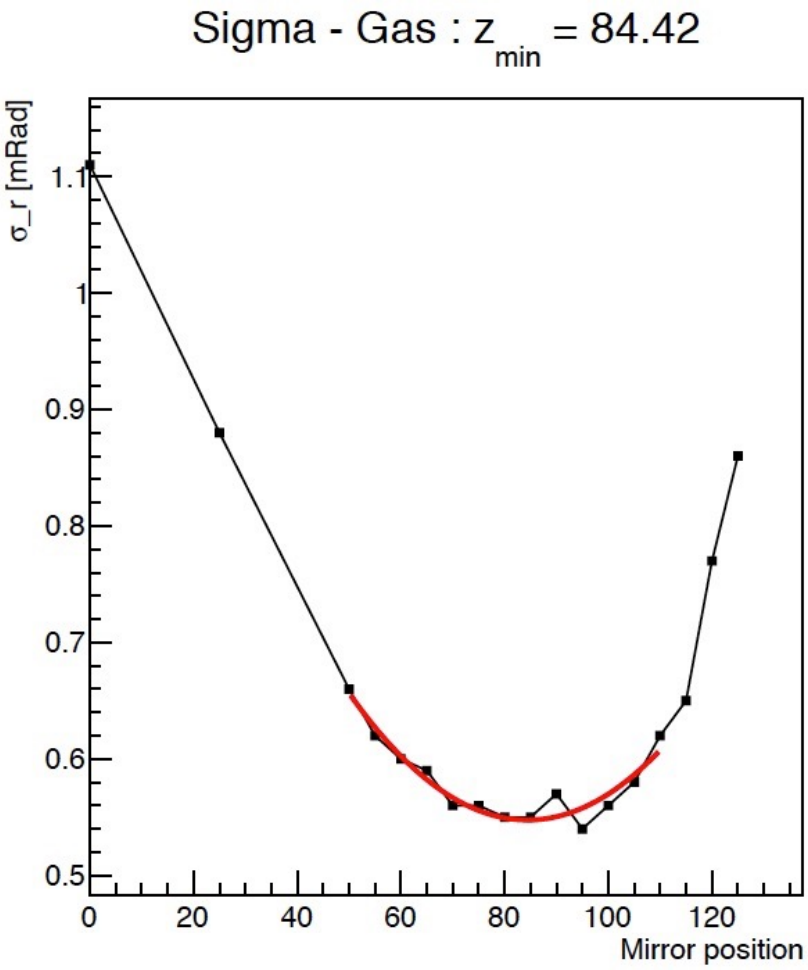




dRICH Gas

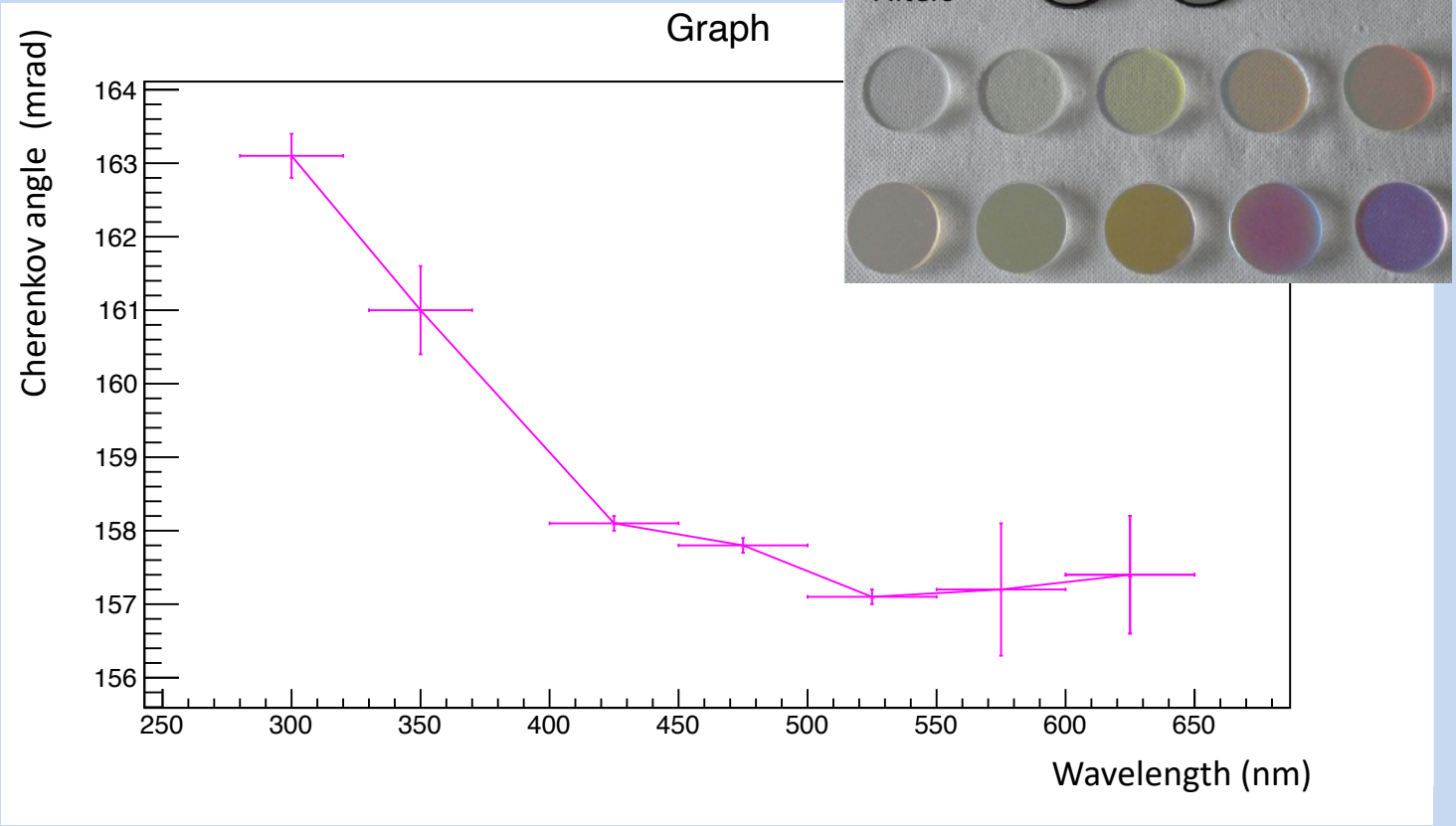
Scan the mirror position to align the focal plane on the sensor surface





dRICH Aerogel

Chromatic dispersion measured with the dRICH prototype and optical filters selecting the wavelength range



Quantify the largest expected contribution to the Cherenkov angle resolution
Can be used to derive a general relationship with aerogel density based on a quartz+air mix model

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dRICH Simulations

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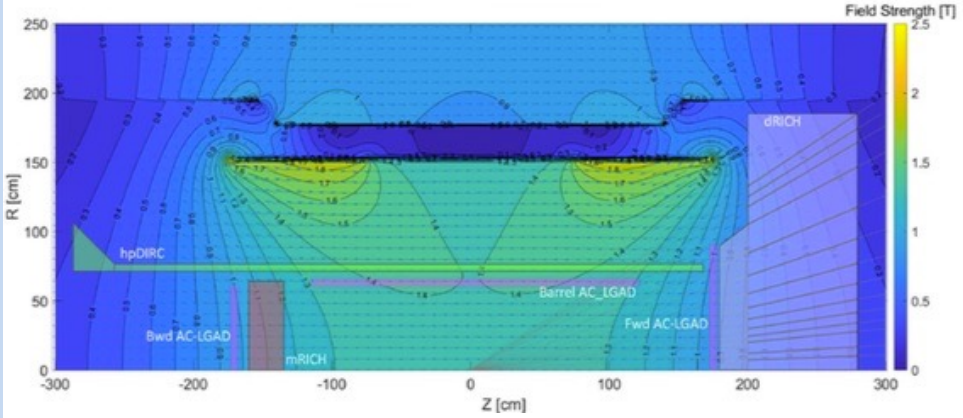
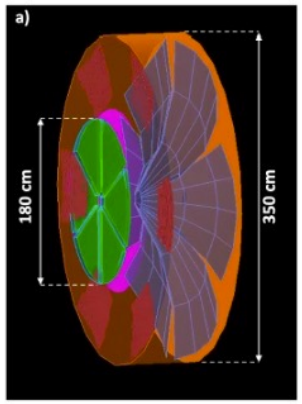
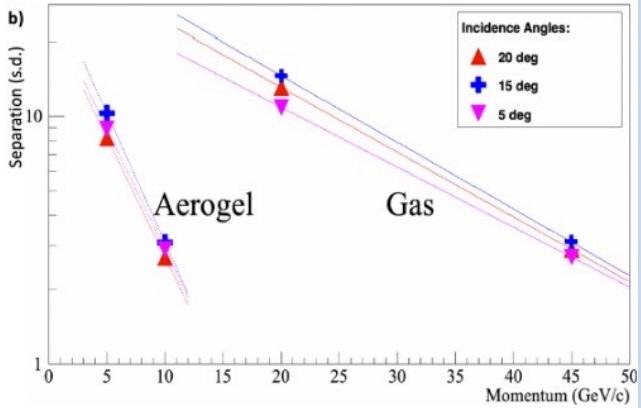
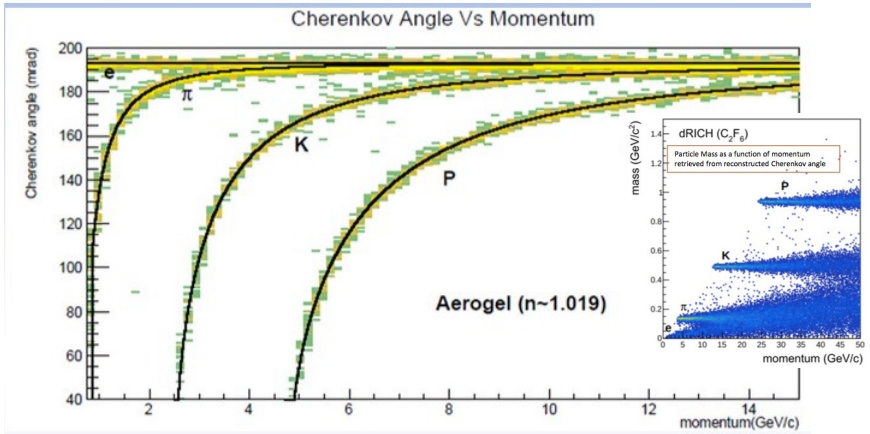
ECCE simulation

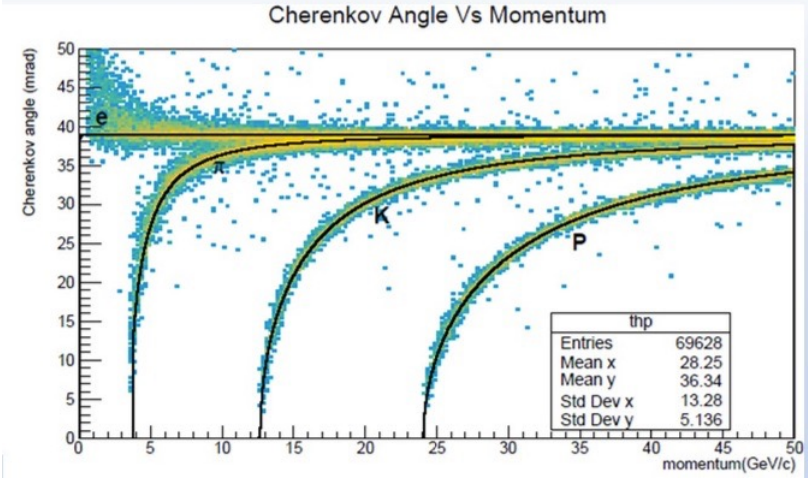




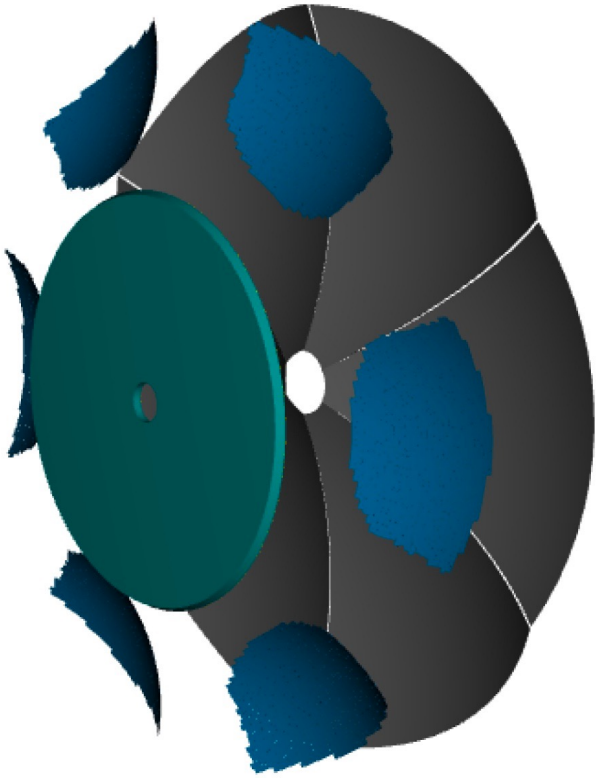


ATHENA simulation



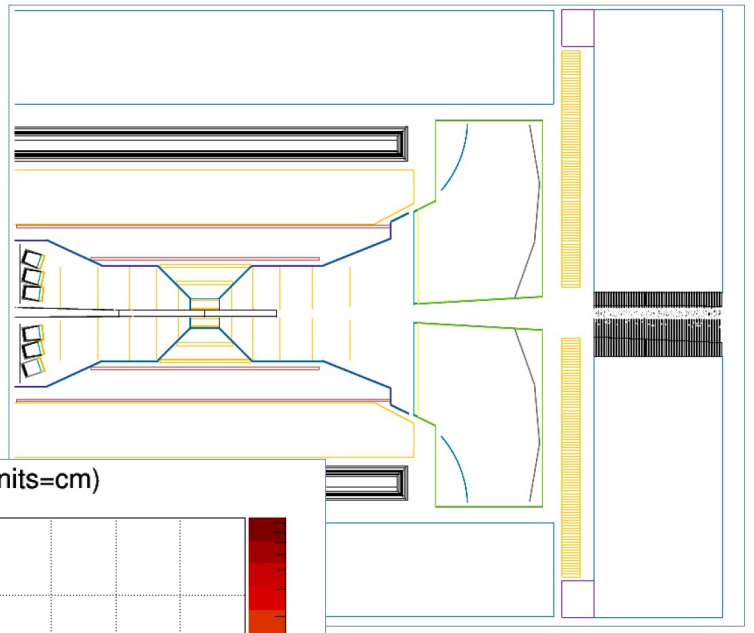


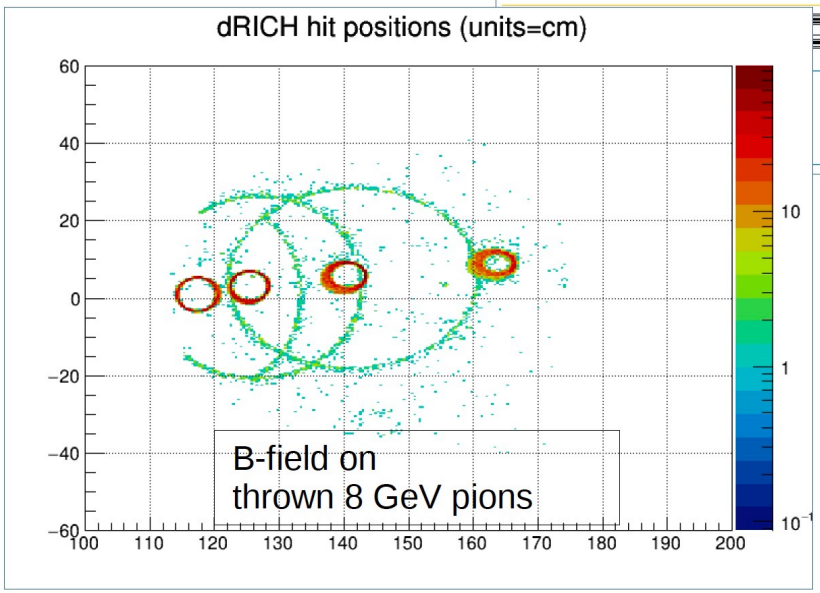
October Production Readiness: Simulation



Ready!

- Geometry consistent with menagerie
- Optics as good as ATHENA was





Two "modules" for reconstruction:

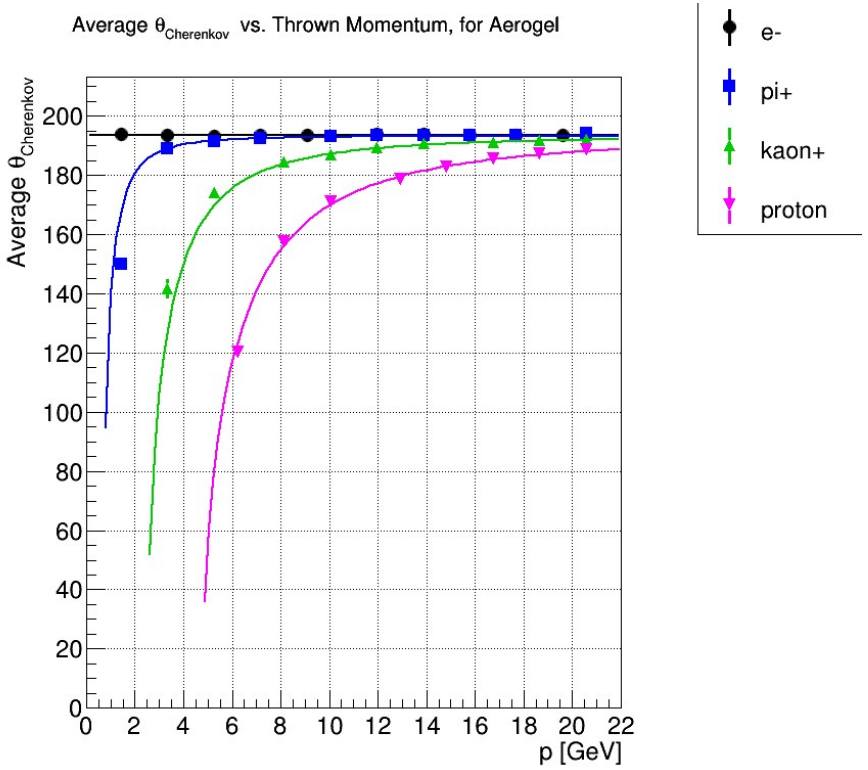
- Standalone Indirect Ray Tracing (IRT) library – **Ready!**
- Bindings of IRT to Reconstruction Framework
  - Working well, but with "**scaffolding**":

- For a full campaign, we need to take down the scaffolding, and bind to EICRecon (in progress...)

Reconstruction: Indirect Ray Tracing

Points: reconstructed Cherenkov Angle

Curves: expected Cherenkov angle



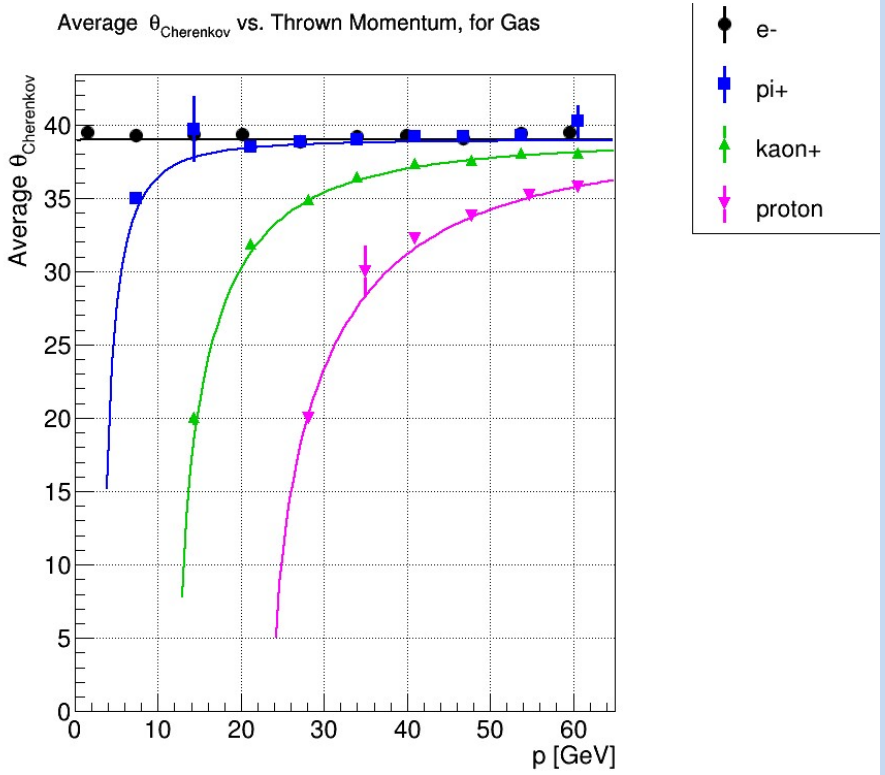


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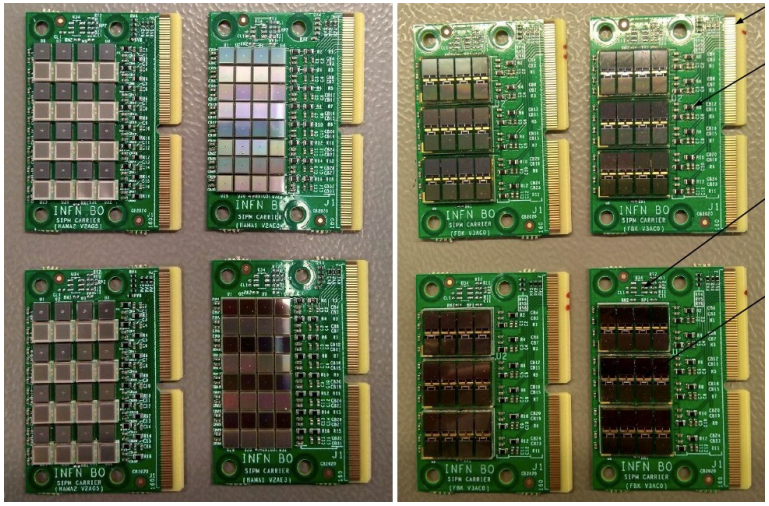
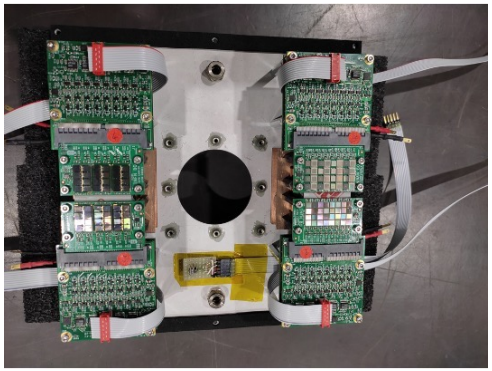
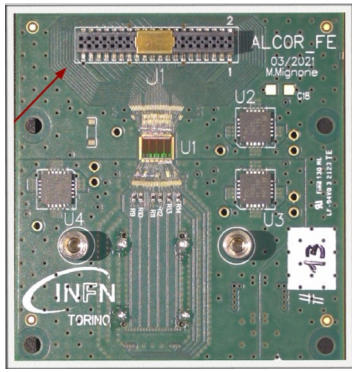
Photo-Sensor Program

Study solutions for single-photon detection within strong B-field

SiPM program: selection among various candidates
R&D dark count mitigation







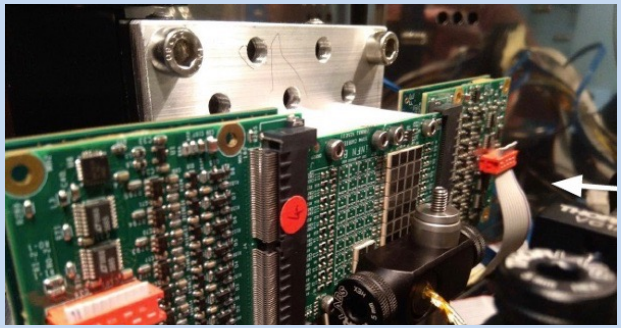
INFN: sensors, instrumentation, prototyping

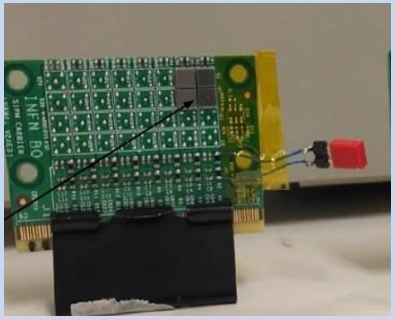
LAPPD program

Test & guide developments @ Incom

INFN: rent, instrumentation

SiPMs





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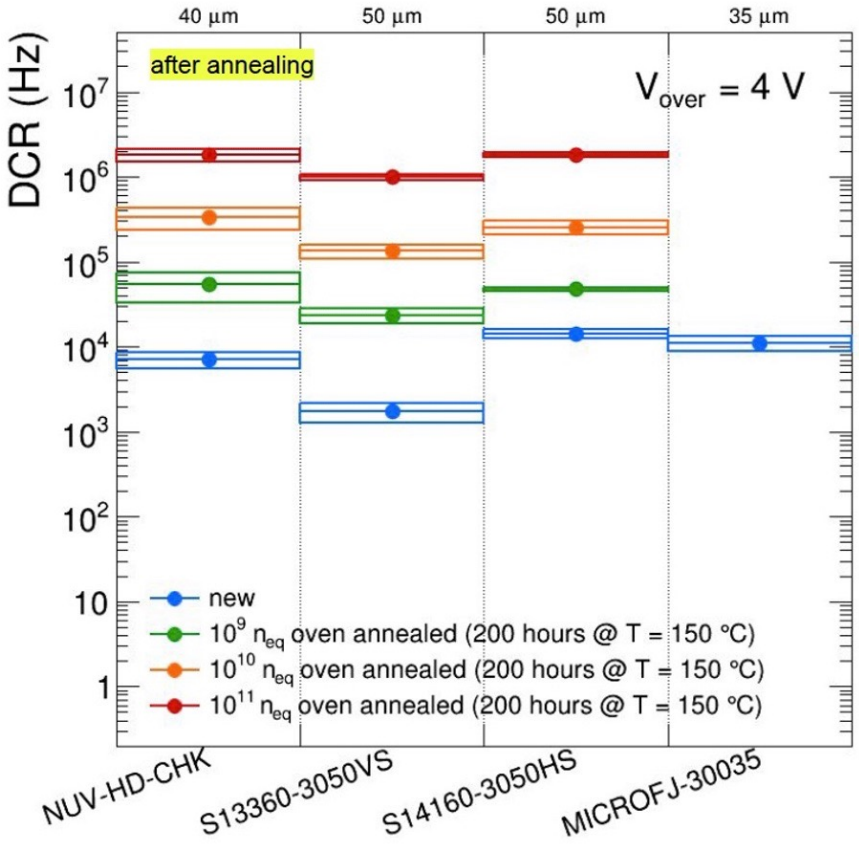
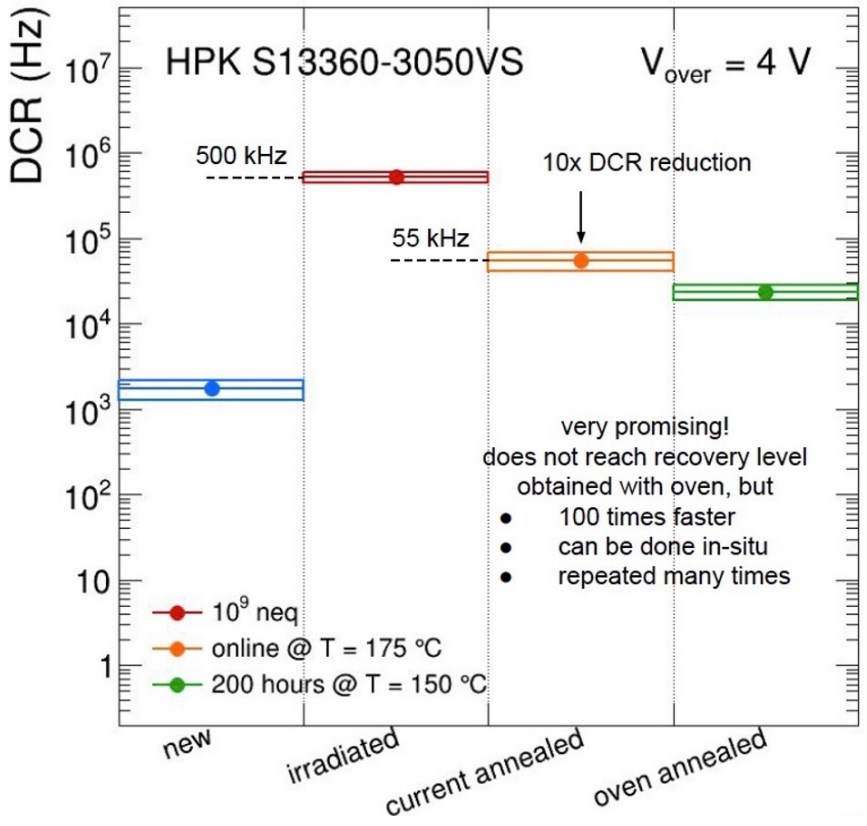
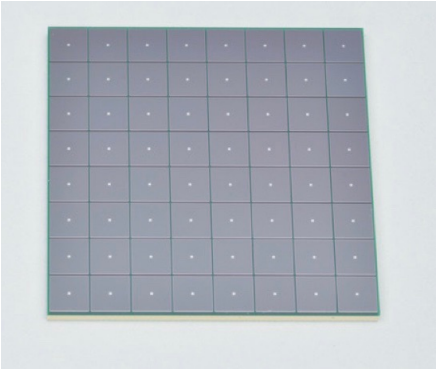




SiPM Detector Plane

Hamamatsu S13361-3050



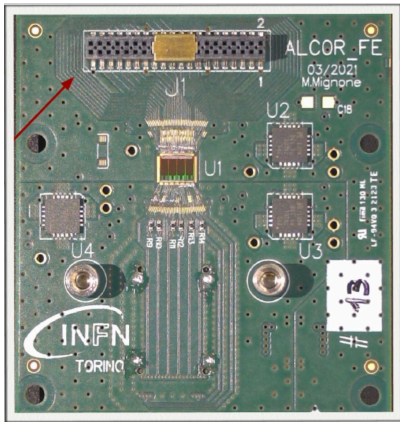
MPPC under procurement

ALCOR chip (high-rate ToT architecture) in streaming mode

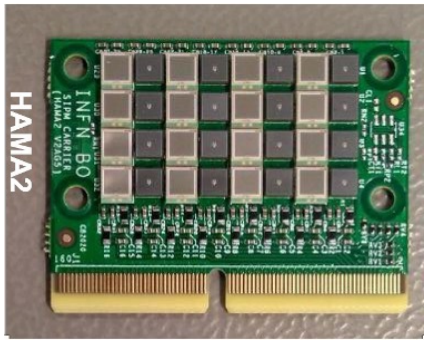
- 50 ps time bin
- 500 kHz rate per channel
- cryogenic compatible

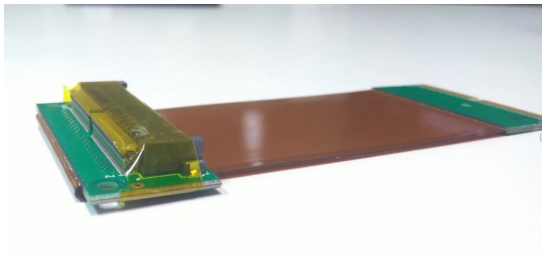
ALCOR v2 submitted for production

ALCOR chip



PCB with flex cable connection





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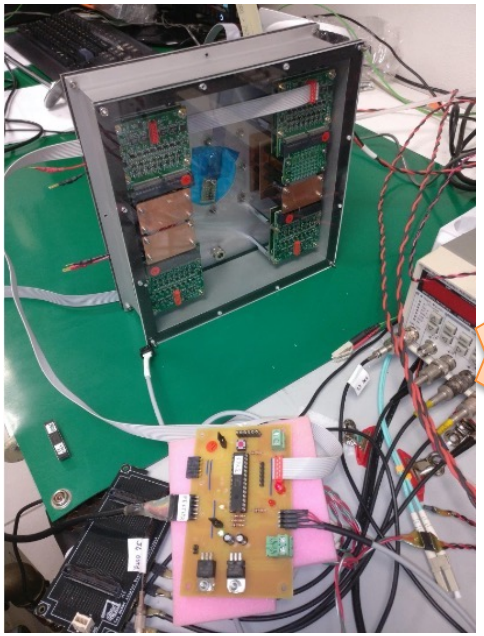
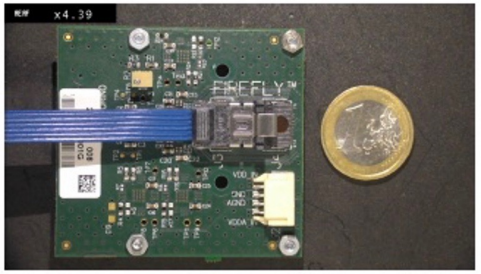


FY23 funds

Streaming readout

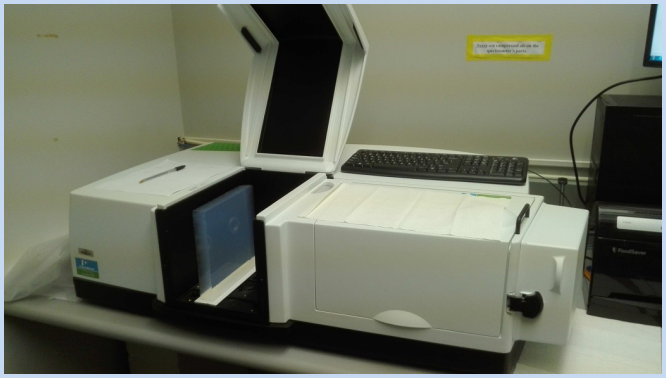


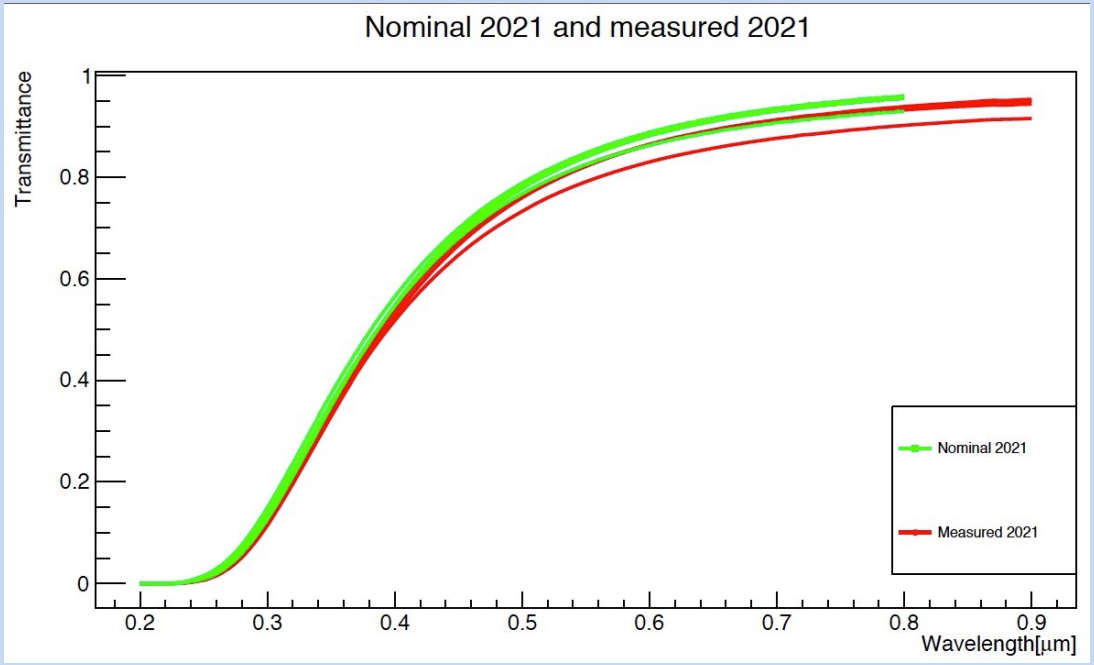
dRICH Aerogel

Existing facility to study detailed radiator optical properties and alternatives

Aerogel:
Safe handling and characterization (refractive index, surface planarity, forward scattering)

Interplay between radiators:
UV filters, refractive index optimization





INFN 2023: Funds for new samples

Aerogel Factory: negotiate production of large

goals: study reproducibility
1st batch: 1.0206, 1.0206, 1.0199, 1.0204
2nd batch: 1.0201, 1.0207, 1.0210, 1.0218

Goal: negotiate large (20x20 cm²) tiles with ALICE

ASPEN: initial contacts with CUA (Tanja Horn)

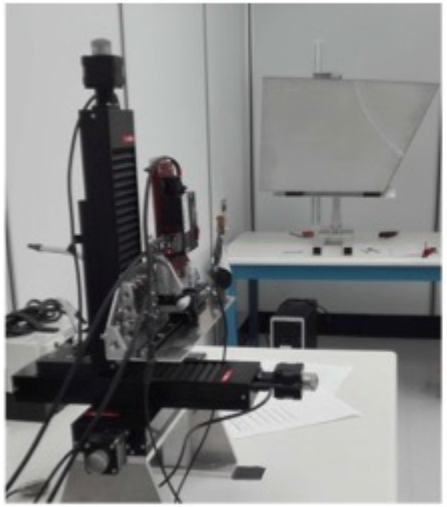
FY23 funds

Goal: obtain few samples at 1.02

dRICH Mirrors

INFN 2023: funds for a CFRP mirror demonstrator

Surface Quality



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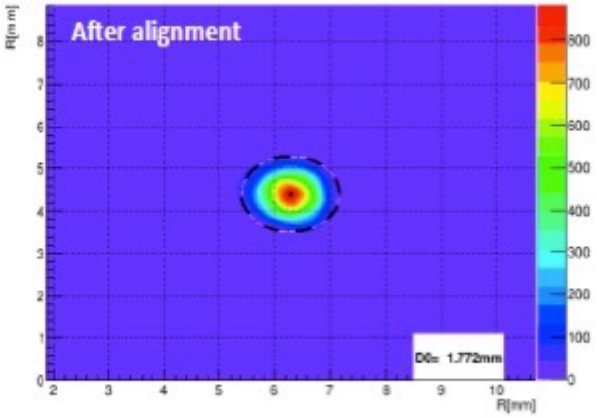
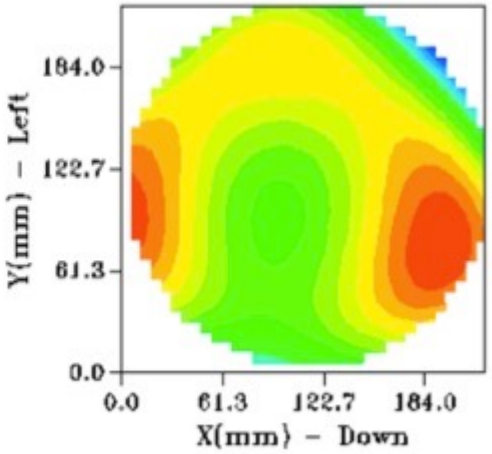
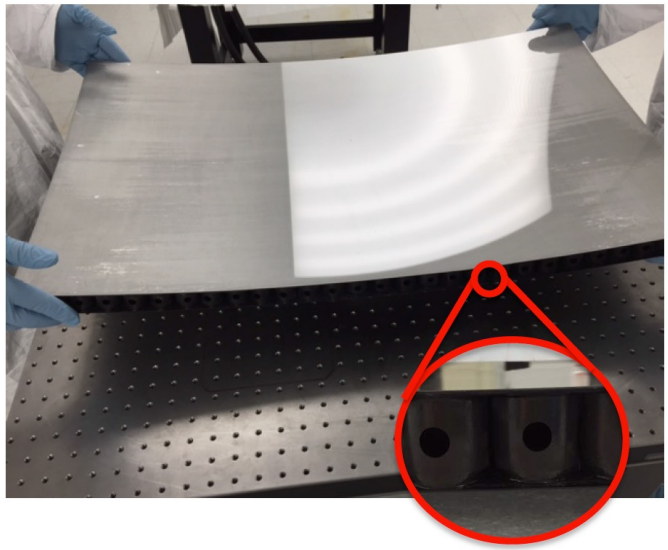


Shack-Hartmann sensor

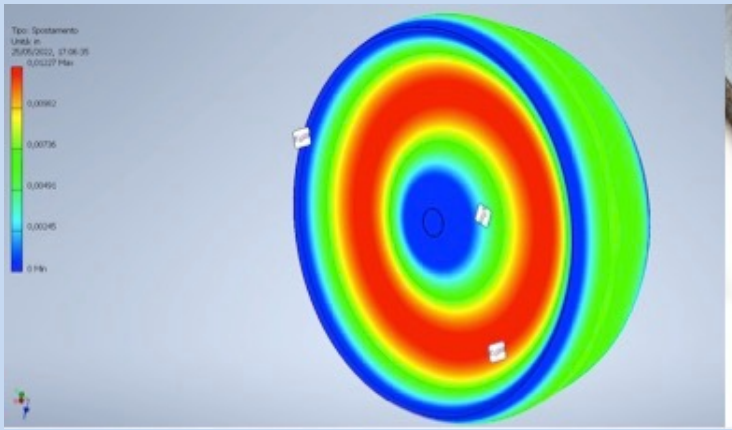


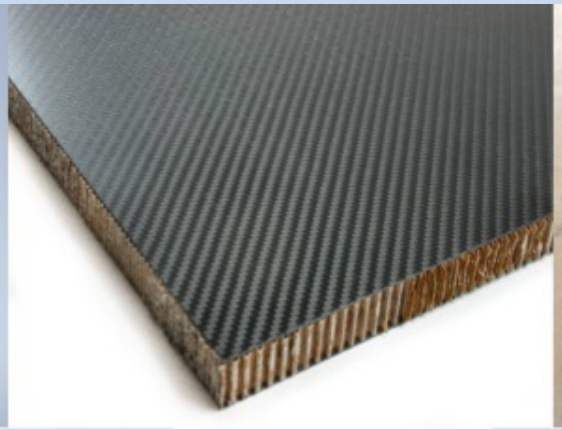


FY23 funds

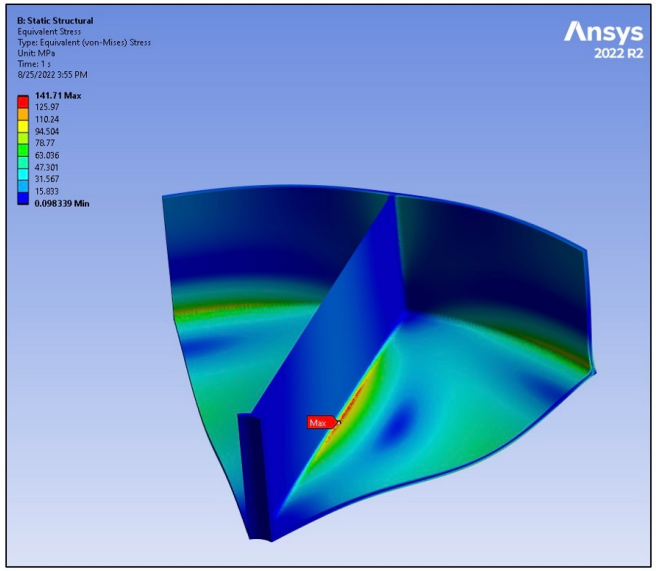
dRICH Mechanics

INFN 2032: funds for a composite material study (targeted to over-pressure case)

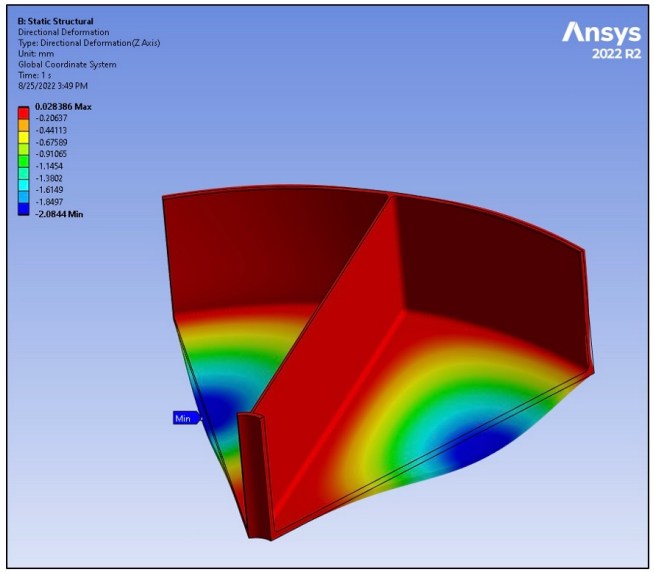




Contacts re-initiated with BNL and JLab for engineering support



σ_{max} = 142 MPa



$\Delta_{Z\text{-}dir}$ = +0 / - 0.21 cm

Static structural Study @BNL

FY23 funds

dRICH Plans

FY23: Initial characterization of realistic mirror and aerogel components (02/23)

- ✓ Optical laboratory being refurnished (spectrophotometer, lasers, cameras)
- ✓ Alternative components procurement
- ✓ Targeted R&D being discussed with the manufacturers
- ✓ Extended measurement campaign being organized

Projected performance of the baseline detector as integrated into EPIC (06/23)

- ✓ Develop patter recognition
- ✓ PID algorithm in conjunction with other detectors
- ✓ Validation with benchmark reactions
- ✓ Massive simulation campaign

Assessment of the dRICH prototype performance with the EIC-driven detection plane (10/23)

- ✓ Prototype adaptation to the new detection plane
- ✓ Upgrade of the services (~1k channels DAQ, cooling, power lines)
- ✓ Test temperature control and in situ-annealing
- ✓ New test-beam campaign

FY24/FY25: specs definition, targeted eRD109/110 developments integration, TDR preparation

Conclusions

Ongoing effort for the development of a forward RICH detector for particle identification at EIC

Cost-effective compact solution for hadron PID in EIC forward region in a wide kinematic range

Activity plan is organized following the EIC Critical-Decision timeline

R&D activity on innovative aspects with synergies with LHC (ALICE) and other EIC eRD

Prototyping and test-beam campaigns to address crucial PID aspects at EIC

Optimized and alternate radiators
Aerogel of medium refractive index and high transparency, noble gas at high pressure

Novel cost-effective single-photon detector solution to be operated in high magnetic field
SiPM post-irradiation characterization and imaging tests (+LAPPDs)

Readout
Alternate ToT architecture (ALCOR chip)

Cooling, support structure, pressurized vessel
US technical support is essential

dRICH Timeline

Year	Detailed tasks
2021	• Development of basic prototype design, simulation and implementation • Optical components: First selection and tests • Basic prototype: Basic tracking, one choice per radiator, glass mirrors, reference readout • Beam Test 1: Proof of principle with reference detectors and readout , ideal beam • Import dRICH simulation into the supported EIC platforms
2022	• Analysis of the first test-beam • Refined prototype: refined components and readout, online reconstruction, precise tracking/alignment • Beam Test 2: Performance assessment with reference and custom detectors, hadron tagged beams
2023	• R&D on cooling • EIC configuration engineering and integrated PID • Optical components refinement and cost reduction study (e.g. glass-skin mirror
2024	• Component alternatives and optimization • Final prototype: various radiators, custom mirrors, gas system, optimized readout • Beam test 3: Performance assessment with optimized components
2025	• Engineering of cooling and services • Beam test 4: Contingency

Assumed funding profile k$.

	prototype	radiators	mirror	detector	personnel	technical	travel	total
FY23	10	20	20	20	100	10	10	190
FY24*	10	20	20	10	80	10	10	160
FY25*		20	20	10	60	10	10	130