

# FRASCATI DETECTOR SCHOOL

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## Calorimetry @ low energies

PRINCIPLES

SIMULATION

OPERATION

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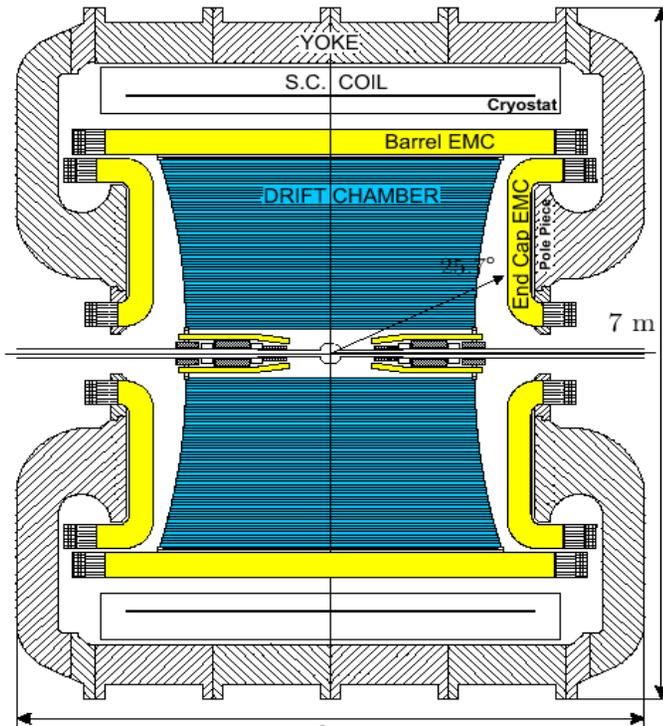
## Calorimetry at 0 (GeV) level

- Particle Factories
- Rare searches
- ..... essentially EM calorimeters

## Three Golden Examples

- Kaon/hadron physics: KLOE Lead/Scifi EMC
- LFV searches:
  - MEG/MEG-upgrade: Liquid Xenon + PMT/SiPMs
  - MU2E: CsI + SiPMs

## Conclusions



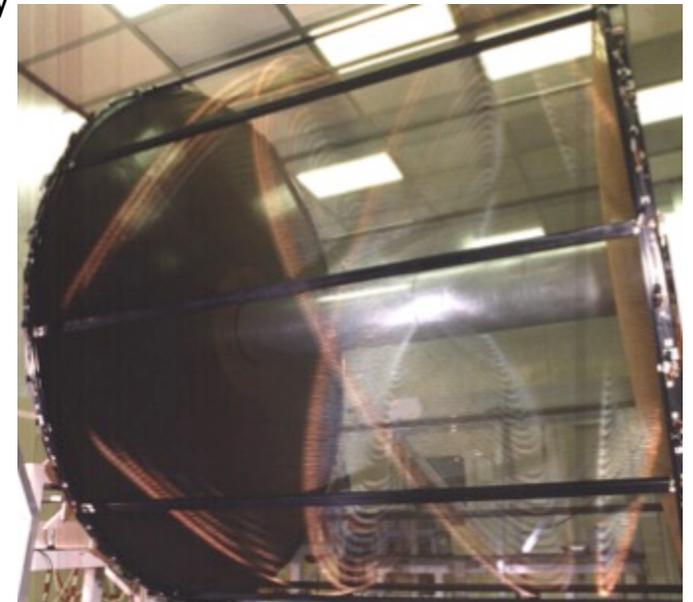
Process	Cross section ( $\mu\text{b}$ )
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \phi$	$\approx 3$
$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-(\gamma)$	6.2 ( $\theta > 20^\circ$ )
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$	0.1
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$	0.05

$\phi$ Branching Ratios	
$K^+K^-$	49.1%
$K_S K_L$	34.3%
$\rho\pi + \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	15.4%
$\eta\gamma$	1.3%
$\eta'\gamma$	$O(10^{-4})$
$f_0(980)\gamma$	$O(10^{-4})$
$a_0(980)\gamma$	$O(10^{-4})$

### Kaon physics

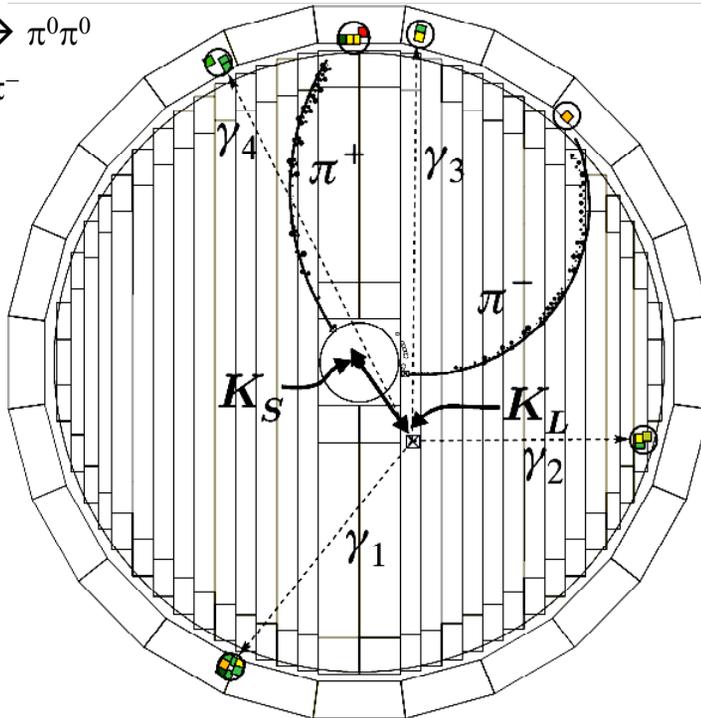
- CP violation
  - $V_{us}, BR$  measurements
  - Quantum Interferometry
- Light hadron spectroscopy  
Hadronic Cross section

- ❑ KLOE experiment required a high performing detector joining high precision tracking with well performing calorimetry
- ❑ Luminosity few  $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$ , L of 2.5/fb (KLOE-2 5/fb)
- ❑ **Largest size tracker in the world. He based gas mixture.**  
Stereo angle wires. **1 MeV resolution on Kaon masses.**  
**→ 0.4% momentum resolution at 500 MeV.**



# A High Sampling Calorimeter

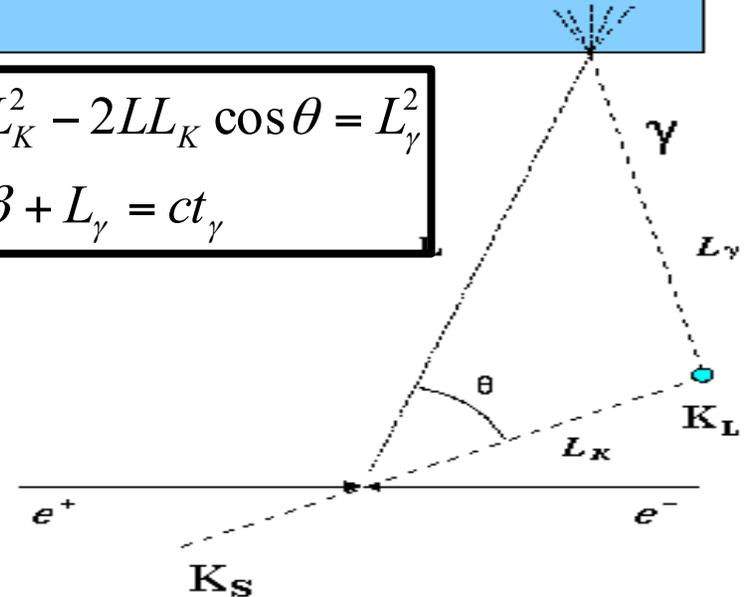
$\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$   
 $\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$



EMC

$$L^2 + L_K^2 - 2LL_K \cos \theta = L_\gamma^2$$

$$L_K / \beta + L_\gamma = ct_\gamma$$



- ❑ Calorimeter Requirements: reconstruct with high efficiency and good resolution both “prompt” hadronic decays (from the IP) and  $K_L$  decays in 2/3  $\pi^0$  in the large  $K_L$  decay volume ( $\sim 4$  m diameter) of the KLOE Drift Chamber
- ❑ This translated in a long list of technical specs difficult to fulfill in 1995 (20 years ago). Driving need was to reconstruct neutral vertex with 1 cm accuracy. In other words, 100 ps resolution, 10’s of ps of timing accuracy (1-2 mm boundaries) for 20-300 MeV photons.

# A High Sampling Calorimeter

- Hermeticity (photons counting  $2 \pi^0$  vs  $3 \pi^0$ )
- Efficiency for low energy photons ( $E_\gamma < 300$  MeV down to 3 MeV)
- Energy resolution of O ( $5 \% / \text{SQRT}(E/\text{GeV})$ )
- Time resolution of O ( $50 \text{ ps} / \text{SQRT}(E/\text{GeV})$ )
- Fast response for triggering (signals of O (100 ns))
- Charge particle identification ( $\pi$  vs  $\mu$  vs  $K^+$ )
- Measurement of  $K_L$  interaction on the calorimeter
- Identification of  $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$  decay vertex (Timing and position)

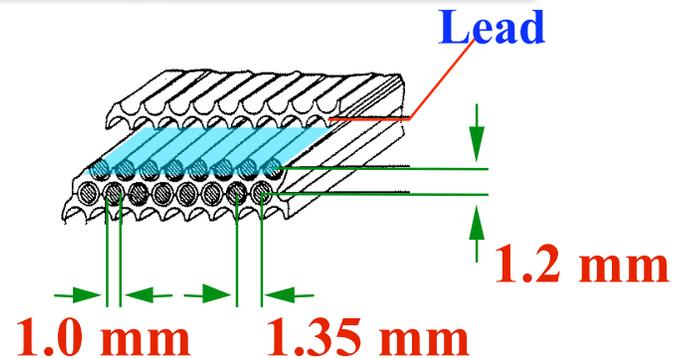
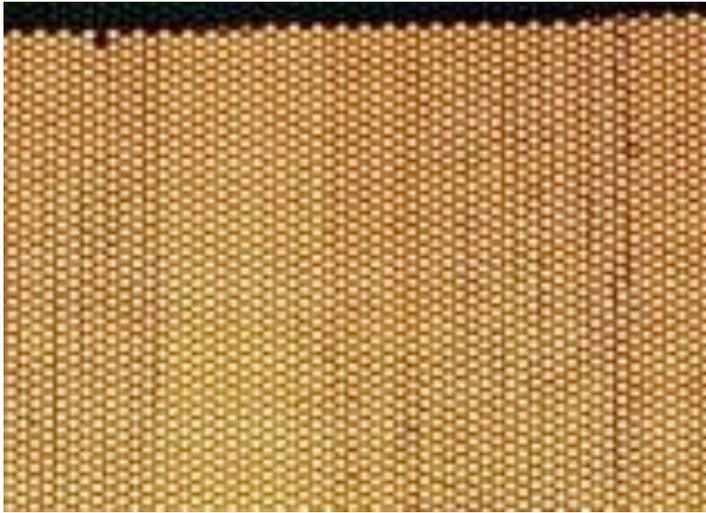
## Two solutions explored:

- 1) Crystal calorimeter such as CsI(Tl)
- 2) High sampling lead-fiber calorimetry (Chosen Solution)  
**Cheaper, faster, better timing resolution (at the time)**

## A Posteriori

- CsI(Tl) could not have granted rejection of the few MHz machine bkg in EndCaps
- CsI(Tl) has better energy resolution but worse position resolution ..  
 No improvements available with kinematic fitting

# Details of the KLOE EMC structure



Fiber:Lead:Glue volume = 48:42:10  
 Lead Thickness 500  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $d/X_0 = 0.1$ )  
 1 mm diameter fibers

The advantage of this choice resides in the highly uniform and high frequency of sampling.

## Fibers positioned on the vertices of an equilateral triangle.

From “sampling” formula (even assuming  $E_c=600 \text{ MeV}/Z$ )  $\rightarrow \sigma(E)/E \text{ (slabs)} = 7 \%$

Sampling frequency gets a factor of two larger than than for alternated slabs of fibers/lead

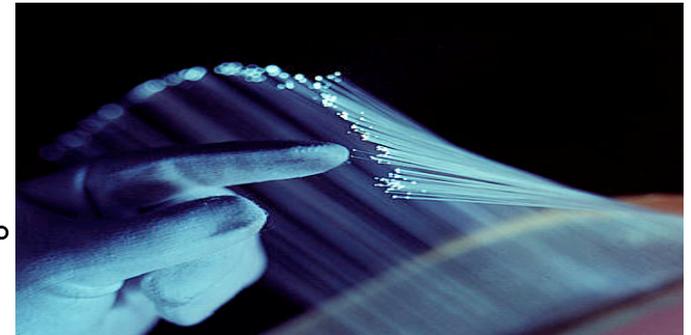
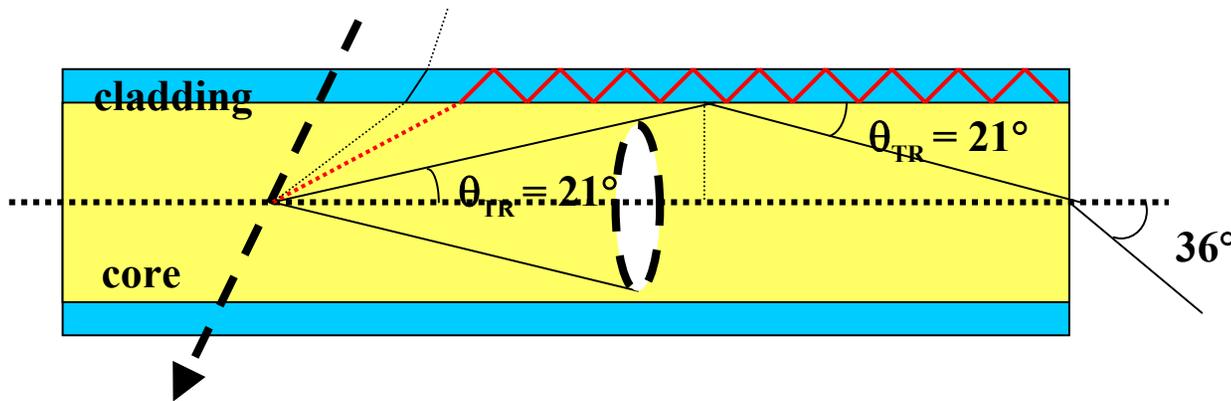
$\rightarrow$  Energy resolution improved by  $1/\sqrt{2}$   $\rightarrow$  **TB proven 4.-4.5 % energy resol.**

$\rightarrow$  Nice optical connection between lights and photo-sensors.

$\rightarrow$  Flexible for shapes .. allowed to position PMT inside 0.5 T field

$\rightarrow$  Able to build 3D reconstruction of objects

# Scintillating fibers



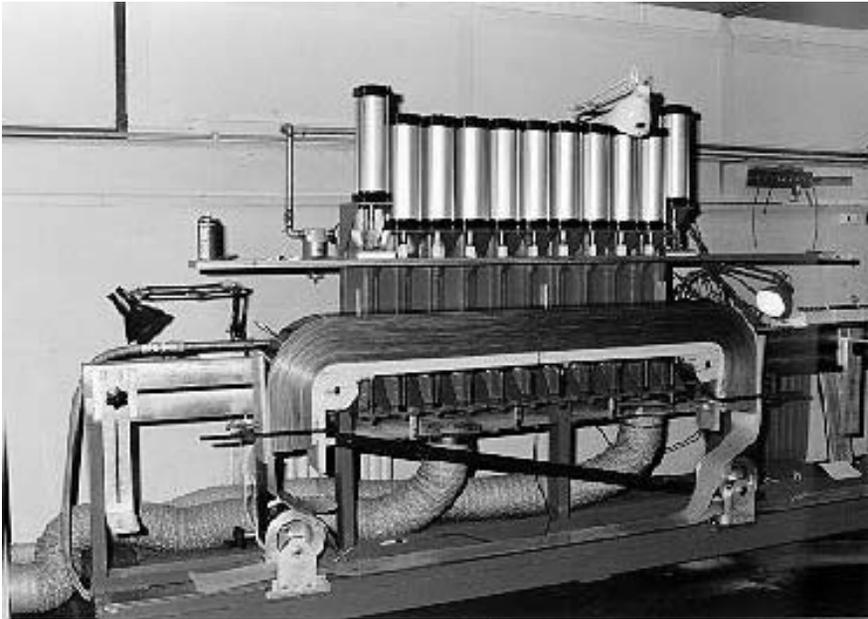
- “Scintillating optical fibers” are constituted by a scintillating “core” (Polistyrene) with refractive index ( $\eta$ ) of 1,6 protected by one (or two) external claddings (plexiglass) with lower  $\eta$  (1,5)
- Due to internal reflection, The trapping angle is of  $21^\circ$  so that the light travels practically at small angle inside the fiber. Opening angle in air contact  $< 40^\circ$
- Small value of light collection at the edges (3 %)
- **Large values of attenuation lengths  $> 250$  cm (long detectors)**
- **Small value of timing dispersion along fiber axis**
- Fibers both scintillating on Blue or WLS (on green) exist

#### KLOE fibers specs:

- ✓ 1 mm diameter
- ✓ 4 m length
- ✓  $\lambda_{opt} = 410$  nm
- ✓  $\tau = 2.5$  ns
- ✓ LY of 4-5 pe/MiP
- ✓  $\lambda_{att} = 350$  cm

KLOE has got in its detector more than 15,000 km of optical fibers.  
Long production from two firms: Kuraray (Japan), PoLiHiTech (Italy)

# Assembly Station ...

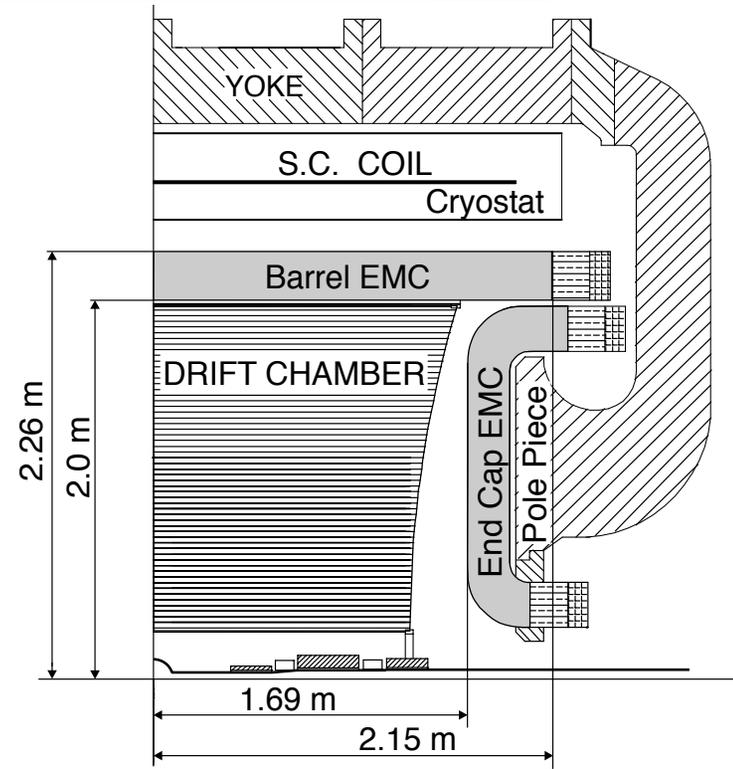


## Assembly station for End-Cap modules

Curing time of few hours between 0.5 mm grooved plates (obtained by a grooving machine) and fibers with Epoxy glue.  
Pressure of 1.1 atm applied each 10 layers.

### Properties of the resulting structure:

Lead : Fiber : Glue volume ratio	= 42 : 48 : 10
Density	= 5 g / cm <sup>3</sup>
Radiation Length	= 1.5 cm
Module thickness	= 23 cm (~ 15 r.l.)



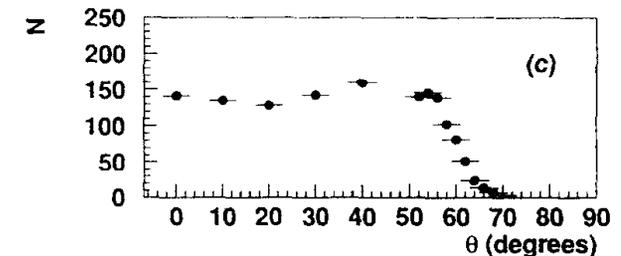
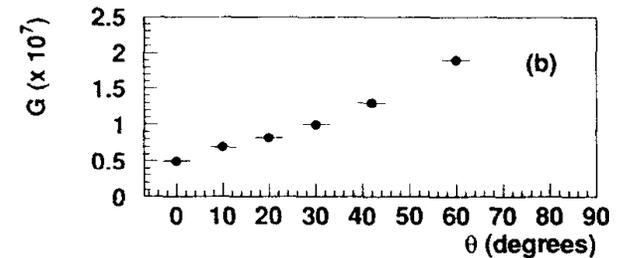
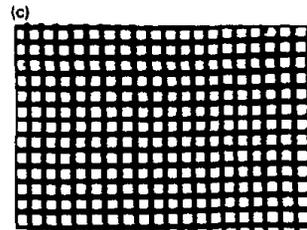
Flexible lead/scifi composite for:

- **Curvature.** It allows to put PMT in smaller B-Field area
- **Length.** It allows to build 4.3 m long barrels

# Light guides , PMTs used and readout

Mesh Dinodes PMT (HPK R5960)

- first PMT working in B-Field due to grid geometry @ **EndCap at B=0.2 T,  $\theta= 30^\circ$**
- Fast Transit Time spread < 100 ps/p.e.,  $G=4 \times 10^6$ ,  $\epsilon_q(420 \text{ nm}) = 25\%$

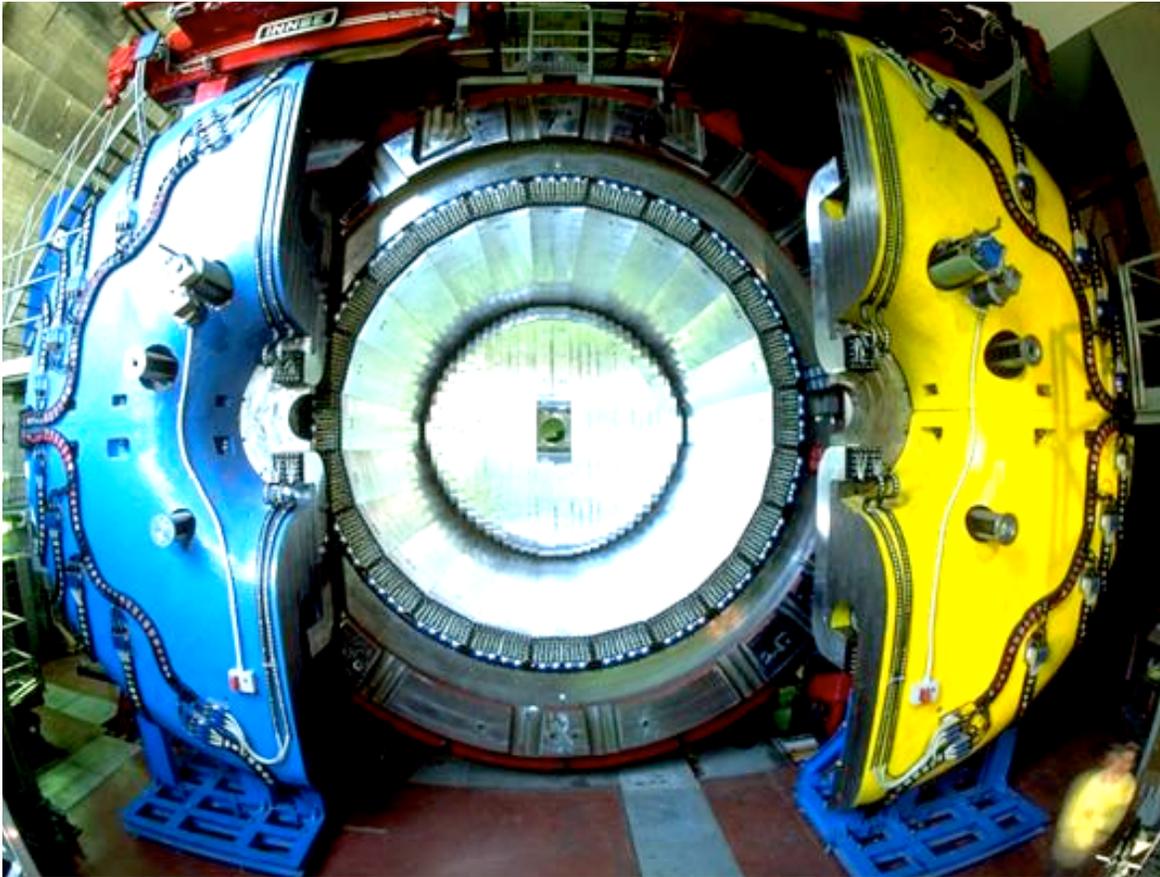


- Optical connection of  $4.4^2 \text{ cm}^2 \rightarrow 3.7 \text{ cm}$  diameter PMTs with Bicon optical grease
- Light collection better than 90% i.e.  $\gg$  basic area ratio loss (50%),  $LY = (1-2 \text{ pe/MeV})$   
 → **Liouville Theorem in action by means of Winston Cone and trapping angle in fibers**
- 5 Layers of readout along the shower dept (Transversal readout)
- Longitudinal reconstruction along fiber axis with difference of timing

Ta  $Z \text{ reconstruction} = V_f \times (T_a - T_b) / 2 \rightarrow \text{Sigma}(z) = V_f \times \text{Sigma}(t)$

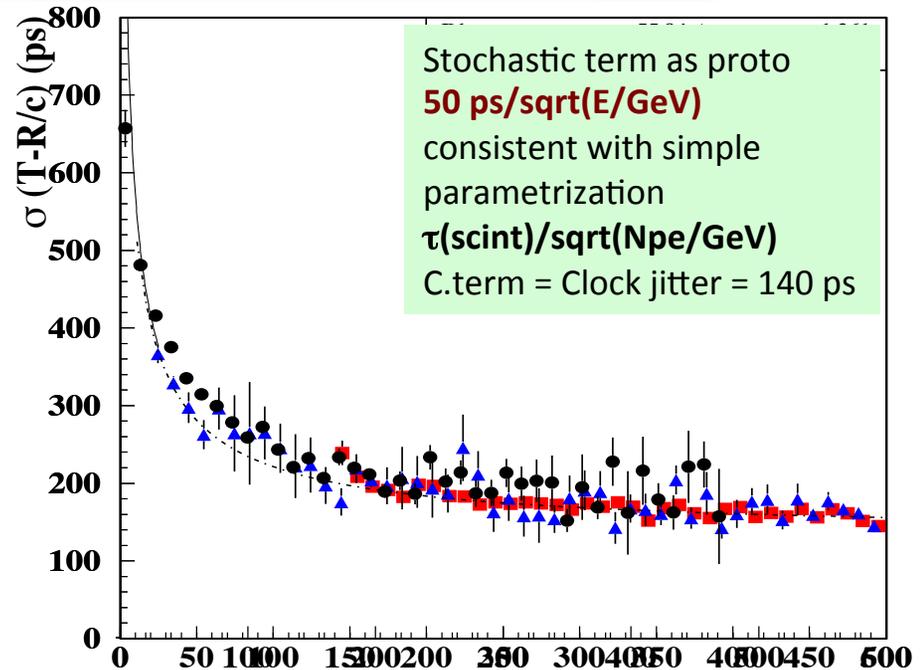
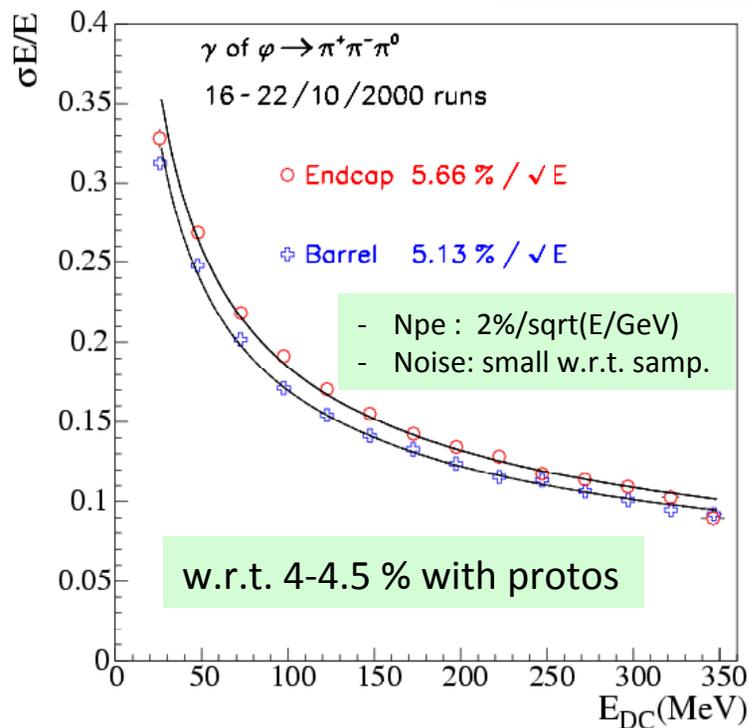
Tb  $V_f = c / \eta = 5 \text{ ns/m}$

# Final detector before inserting DC

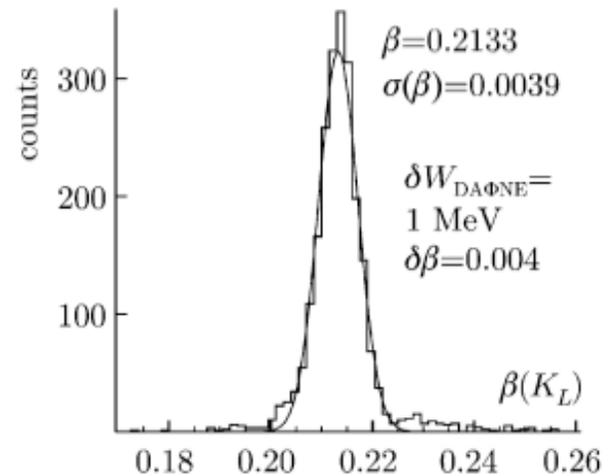


- ✓ Barrel with 24 wedges, Length of 430 cm.
- ✓ EndCaps of curved shape to cover 98% the solid angle and the Barrel-EndCaps
- ✓ **N(PMTs) = 5000**. Double sampling ADC, 50 ps TDC
- ✓ Position resolution: 1 cm in transversal position , 1.2 cm/sqrt(E/GeV) along fiber axis

# KLOE EMC performance



- ✓ Nice reconstruction of invariant masses (15 MeV resolution on  $\pi^0$  masses)
- ✓ Kinematic fitting improved masses (2-3 MeV resolution on  $\pi^0$  masses) thanks to good position reconstruction (1 cm)
- ✓ Identification of  $K_L$  interacting on calorimeter with precise measurement of their speed



# MEG Liquid Xenon Calorimeter

- Charge Lepton Flavor Violation search  
SM Forbidden  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  decay in flight  
 $E_e = E_\gamma = 52.8 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $T_e = T$

- Backgrounds:**

- Accidental coincidence**

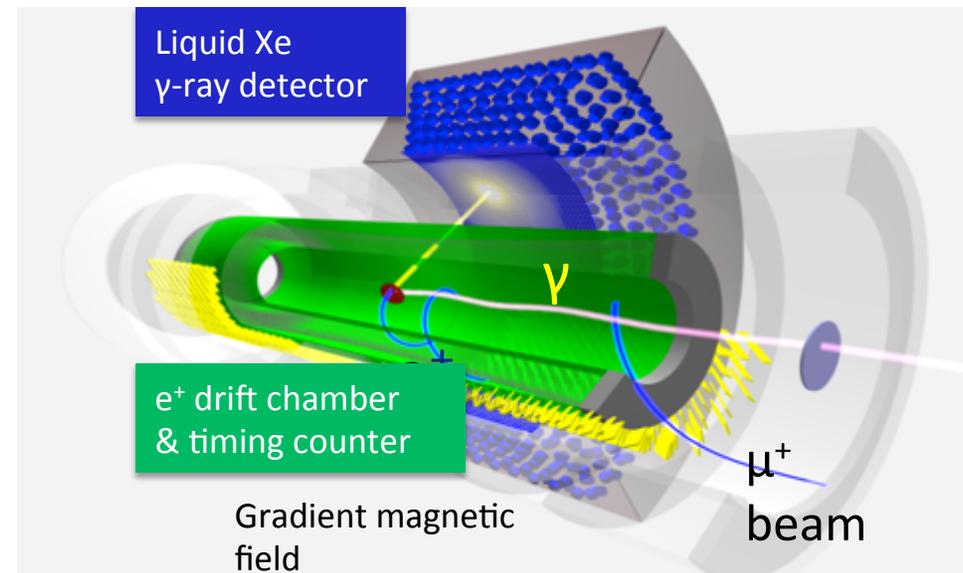
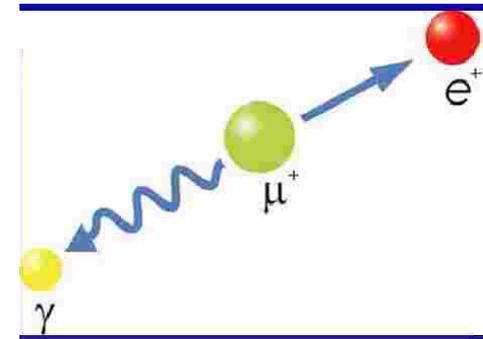
Look for a signal over background  
with good resolution of all detectors  
proportional to  $l^2$

- Radiative Muon decays

1/10 of accidental coincidences  
proportional to  $l$

- Event rate of muon stop  $10^7 \text{ u/sec}$

- Calorimeter for photon detection only



Needs for very precise calorimetry, both on energy and timing  
 $\rightarrow$  to compare  $\Delta P(e-\gamma) = P_e - P_\gamma$     $e \Delta T(e-\gamma) = T_e - T_\gamma$

# MEG Calorimeter: basic design

MEG Design energy resolution of  $\sigma(E)/E = 1\%$  at 52.8 MeV

Looking only at statistical power  $\rightarrow$  No noise, No leakage, Negligible Intrinsic fluctuation

$\sigma(E)/E = 1/\sqrt{Npe} \rightarrow Npe \rightarrow (0.01)^{-2} = 10000$  pe @ 50 MeV  $\rightarrow 200$  pe/MeV

$N\gamma/\text{MeV} = Npe/\text{GeV}/\epsilon_q \rightarrow 6000$   $\gamma/\text{MeV} \rightarrow$  for  $\epsilon_q$  of 10%, collection 30%

	NaI	BGO	GSO	LSO	LXe	Lar	Lkr
$\rho$ ( g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	3.7	7.1	6.7	7.4	3.0	1.4	2.4
Rel LY	100	15	20-40	45-70	73	70	55
Tau (nsec)	230	300	60	40	2.2, 34	6, 1000	2, 91

- ❑ Liquid scintillators offer a comparable LO with the best of scintillating crystals
- ❑ MEG selected LXe for high LY and fast emission  $\rightarrow$  **Good for timing resolution**  
 Rough estimate  $\rightarrow 34$  ns/ $\sqrt{Npe}$  @ 58 MeV  
**LY (LXe) = 40000  $\gamma/\text{MeV}$ ,  $Npe > 2000$  pe/MeV  $\rightarrow \sigma_T < 100$  ps**
- ❑ **Liquid scintillators are uniform, negligible-small intrinsic resolution**

# INFN MEG Calorimeter: pro and contra

900 l of Liquid Xenon

846 2" UV-PMT soaked in liquid

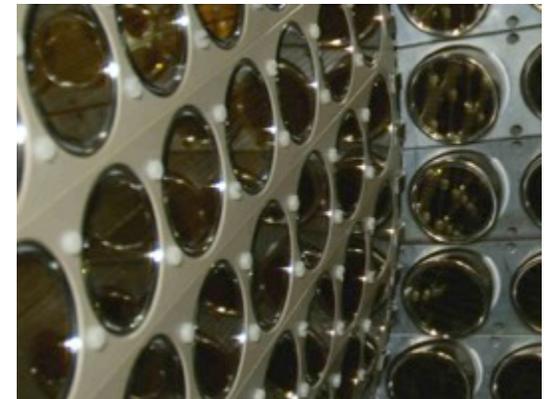
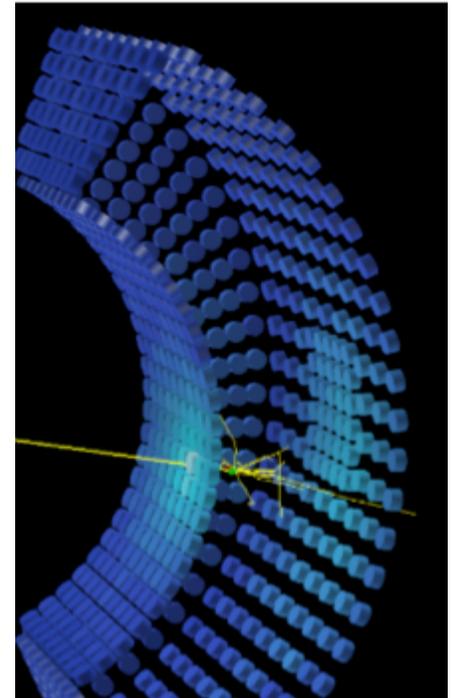
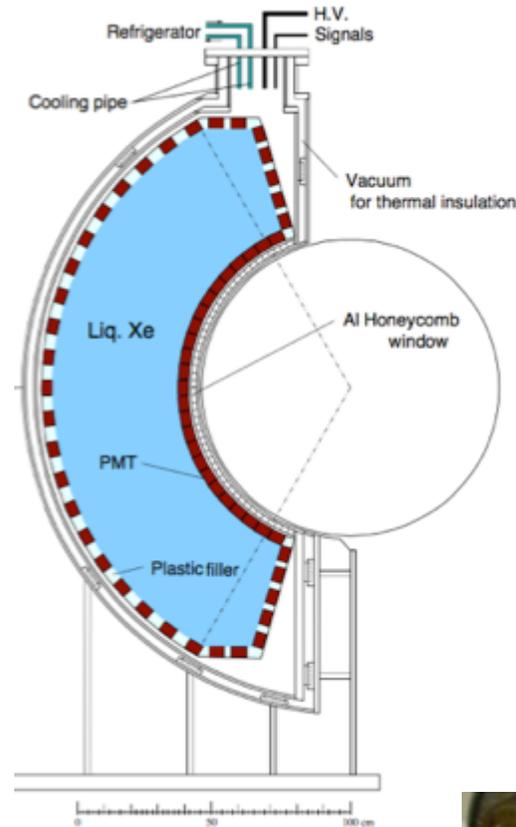
Waveform analysis for Pileup

## Advantages of LXe

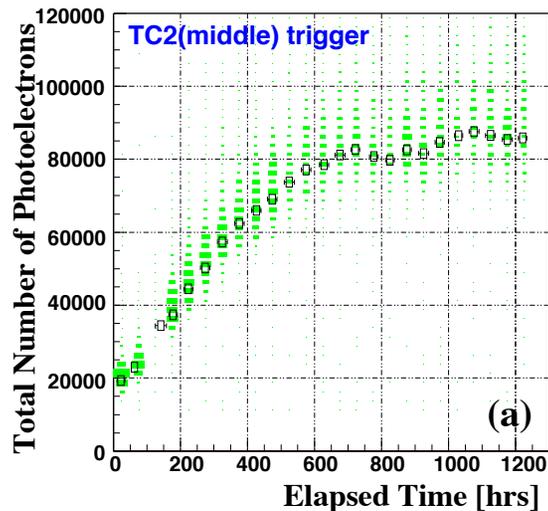
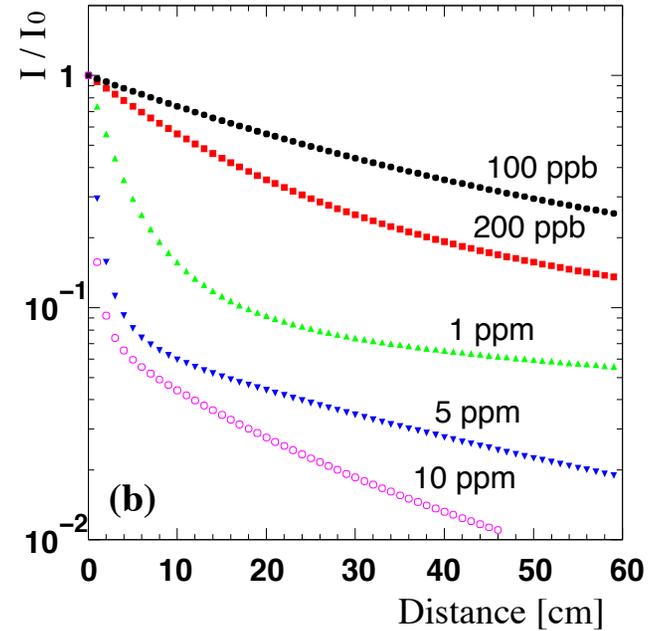
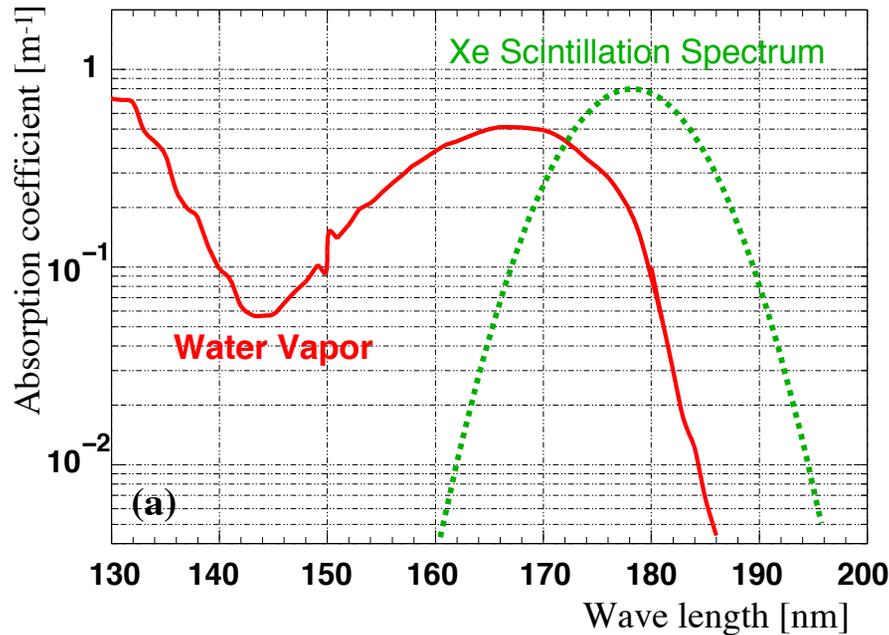
- Only scintillation light, very high LY (~75% of NaI)  
40000 photons/MeV
- Fast scintillation time  
( $\tau_{\text{decay}} = 2, 4, 45$  ns for  $\gamma$ -ray)
- High stopping power ( $X_0 = 2.8$  cm)
- Uniform (liquid)

## Disadvantages of LXe

- VUV Scintillation light ( $\lambda = 175$  nm)
- Low temperature (165 K) to keep liquid state
- Purification system: removal of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{O}_2$  contamination)



# MEG Calorimeter: VUV light absorption



Water vapor is the worst contaminant in Lxe absorbing large part of the emitted photons @ 180 nm. **When improving purity**

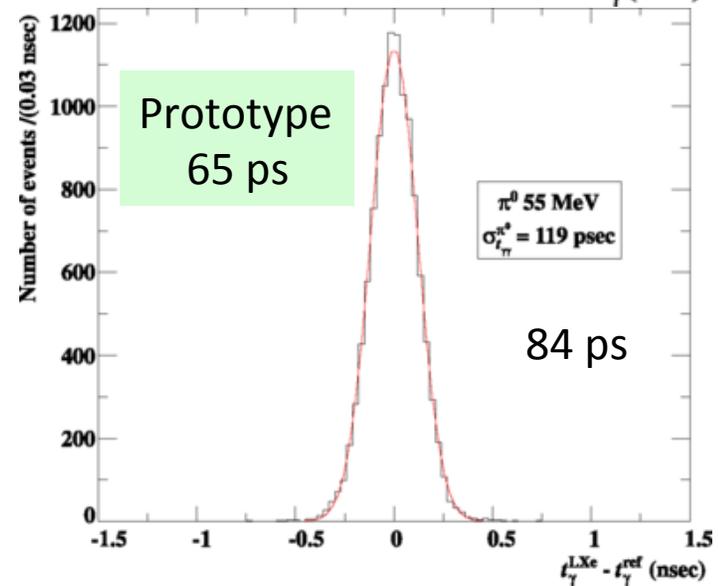
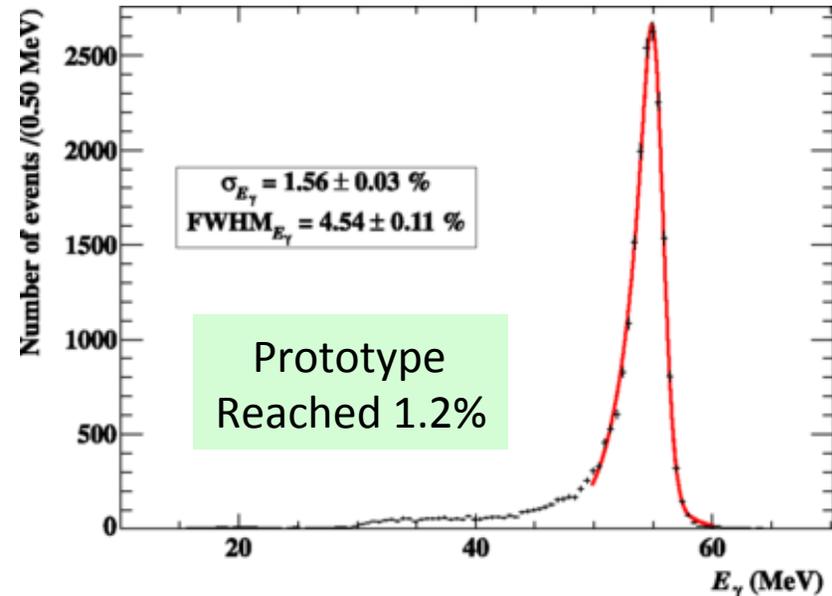
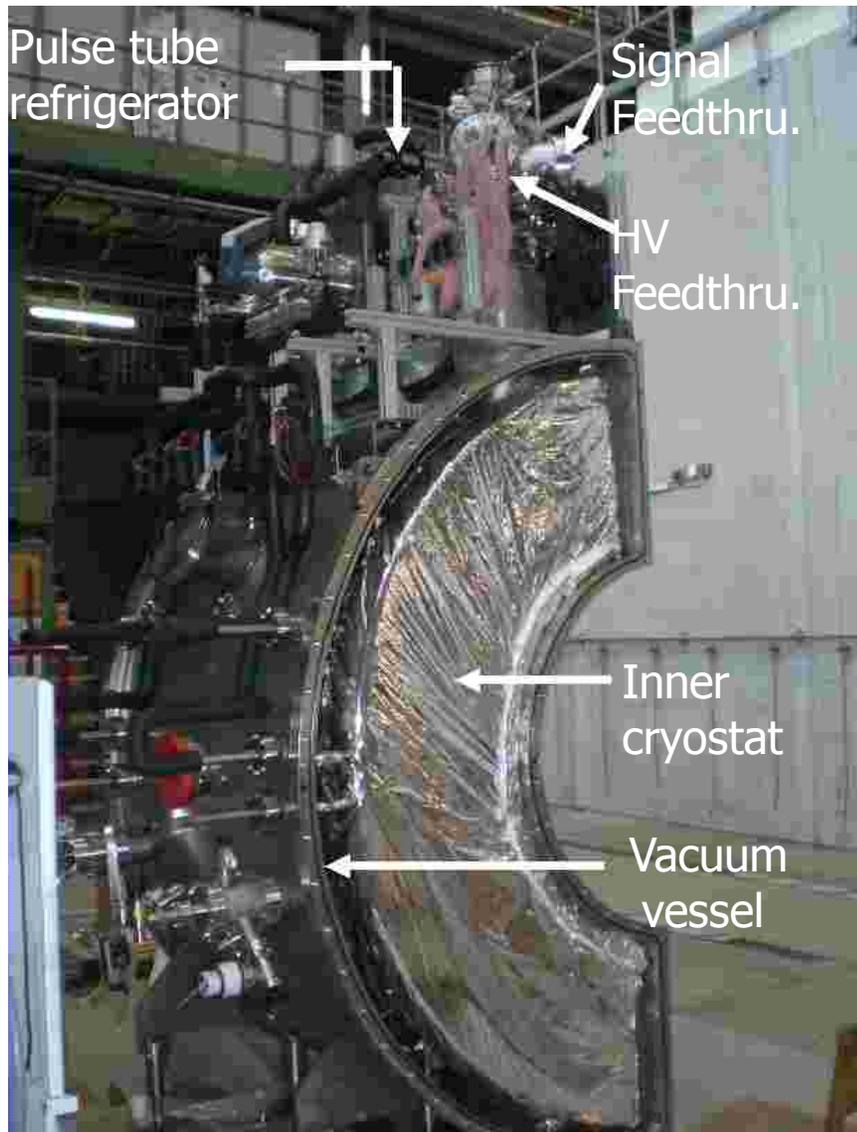
- Attenuation length improves up to 100 cm
- Light yield greatly increases
- Reduced fluctuation along collection

**According to simulation → Attenuation lengths at this level enough to reach resolution of 1.2%**

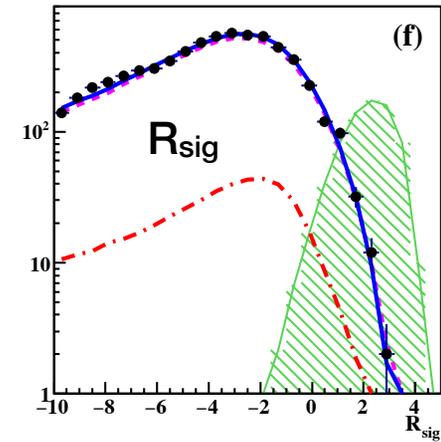
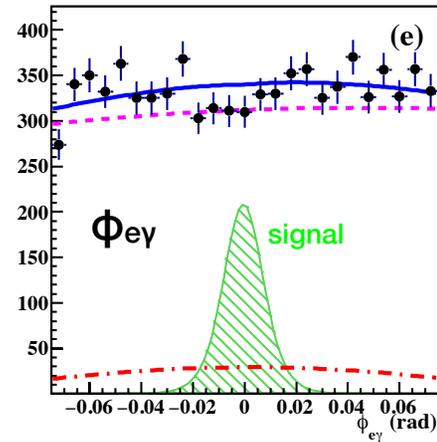
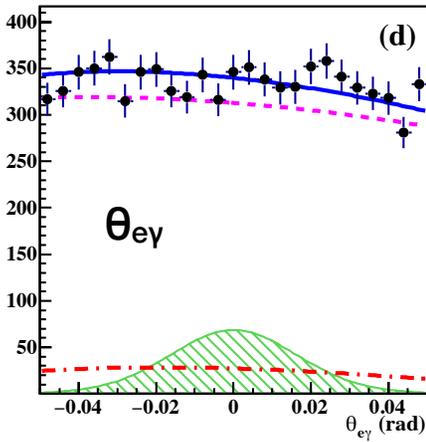
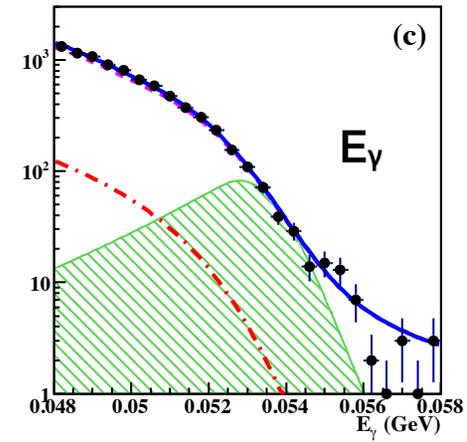
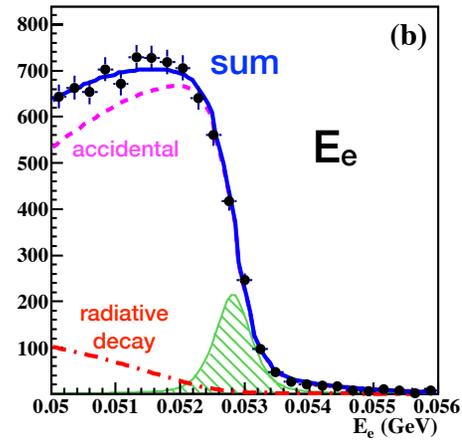
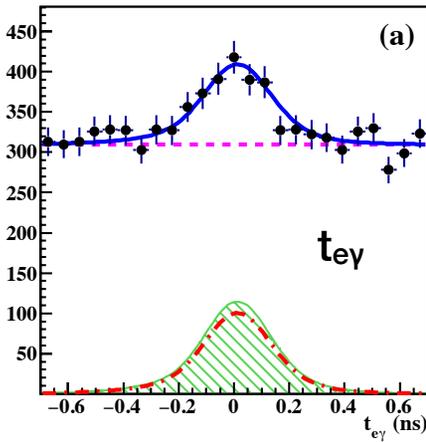


PMTs are installed into PMT holders  
 PMT holders are installed into PMT support structure

# MEG Calorimeter: performances

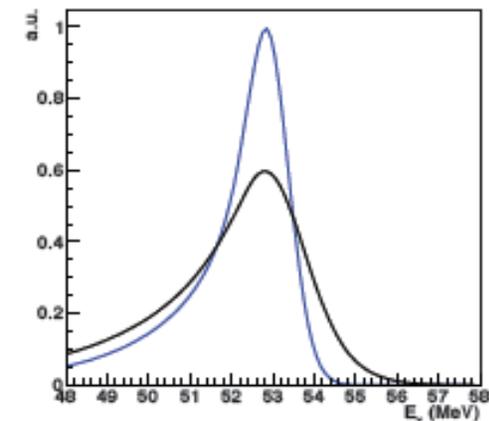
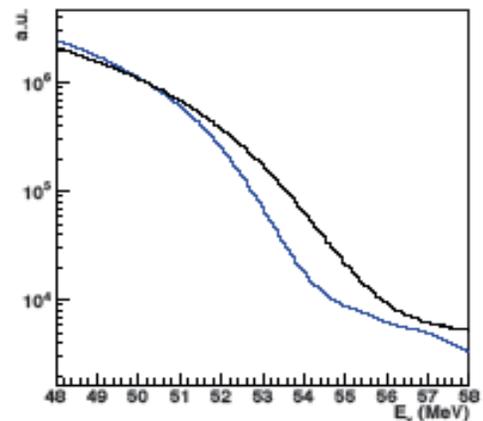


# INFN MEG detector: reconstruction



- New run expected in coming years to improve muon statistics
- Strong improvement on all detector components to improve rejection of Accidental Coincidences
- Goal is to improve sensitivity on CLFV of a factor of 10 down to BR of  $4 \times 10^{-14}$

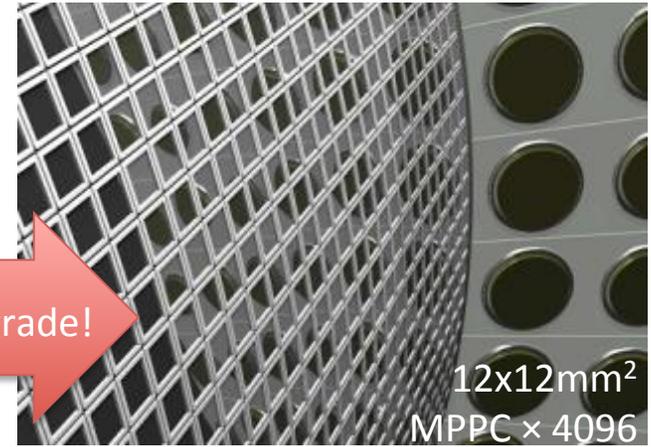
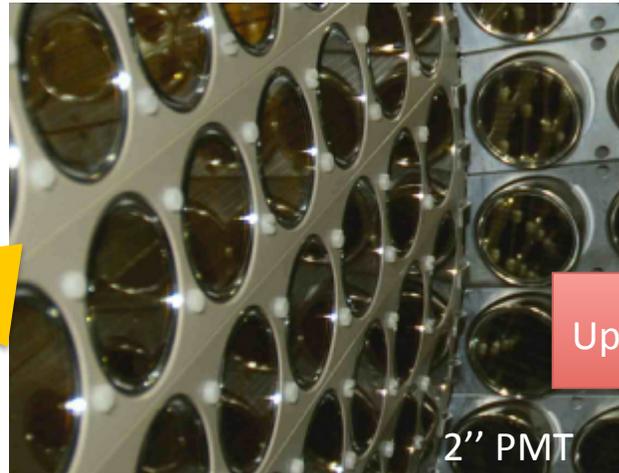
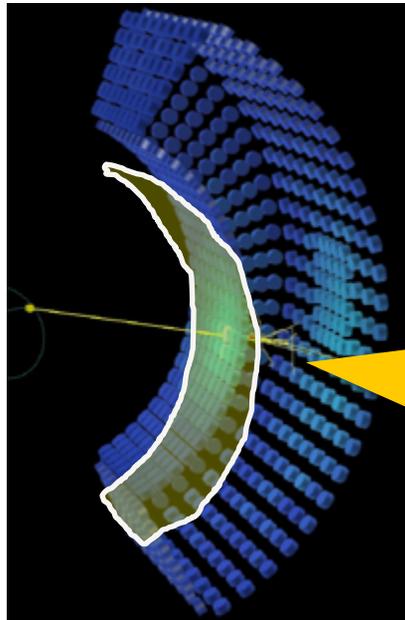
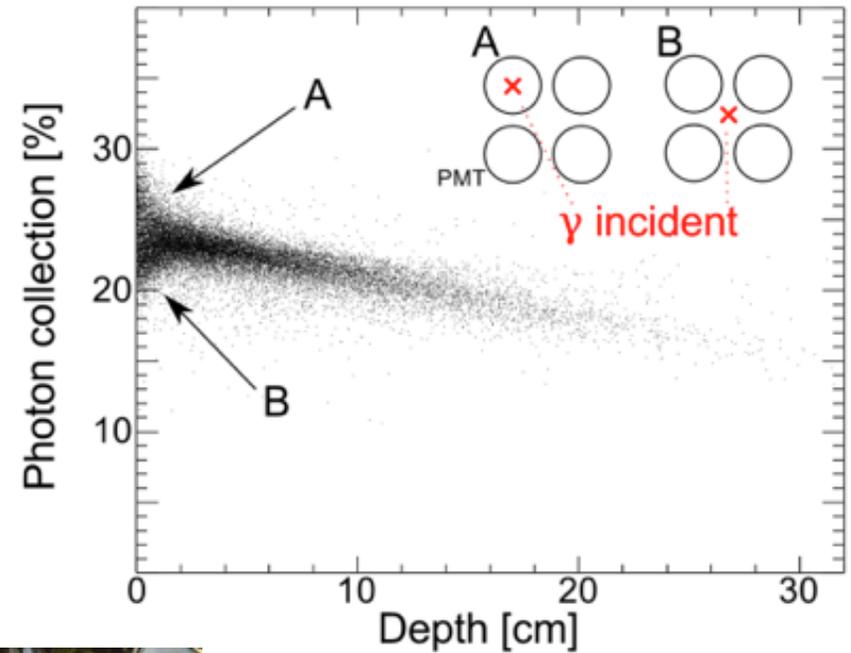
PDF parameters	Present MEG	Upgrade scenario
$e^+$ energy (keV)	306 (core)	130
$e^+$ $\theta$ (mrad)	9.4	5.3
$e^+$ $\phi$ (mrad)	8.7	3.7
$e^+$ vertex (mm) Z/Y(core)	2.4 / 1.2	1.6 / 0.7
$\gamma$ energy (%) ( $w < 2$ cm)/( $w > 2$ cm)	2.4 / 1.7	1.1 / 1.0
$\gamma$ position (mm) u/v/w	5 / 5 / 6	2.6 / 2.2 / 5
$\gamma$ - $e^+$ timing (ps)	122	84
Efficiency (%)		
trigger	$\approx 99$	$\approx 99$
$\gamma$	63	69
$e^+$	40	88



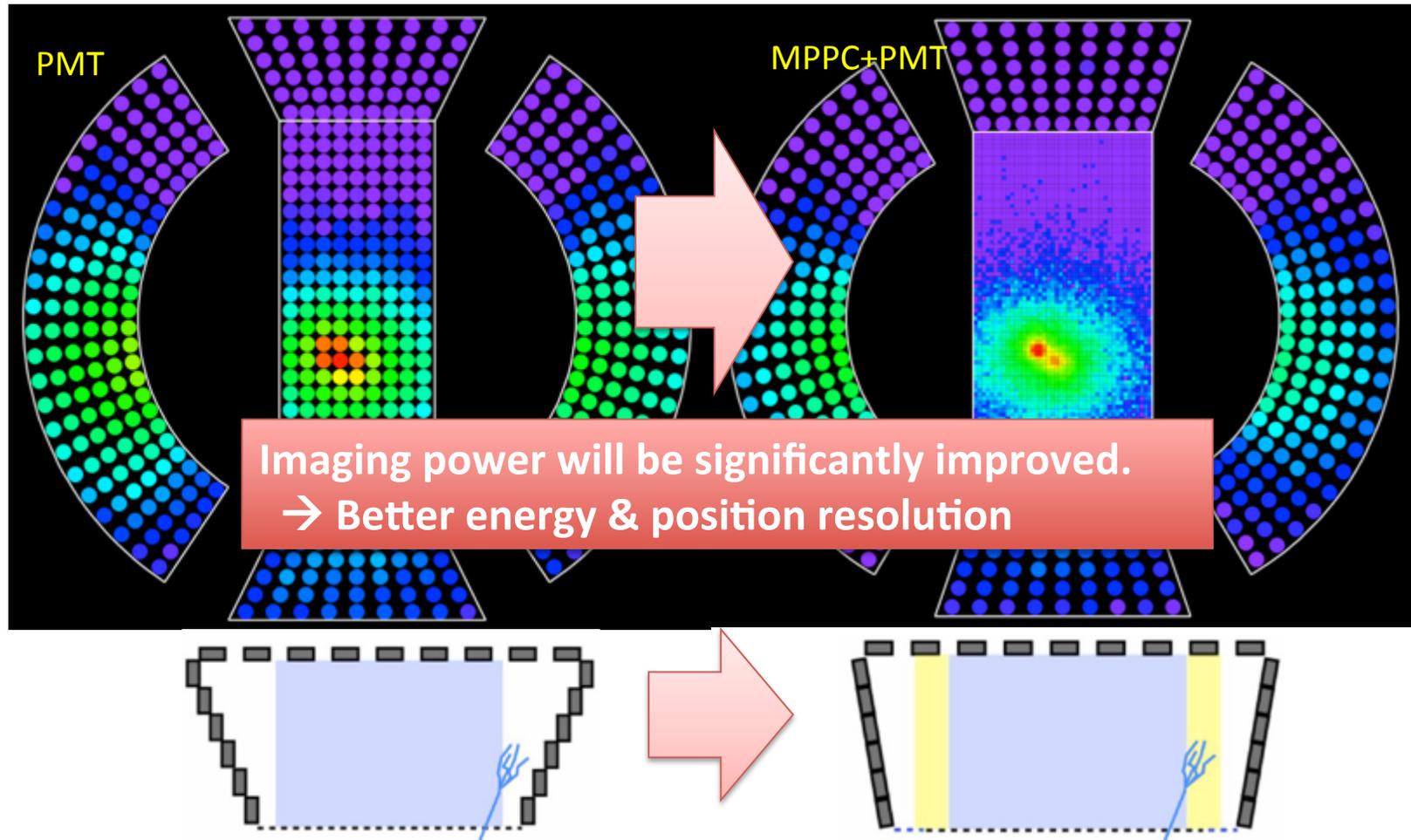
# MEG-II: Calorimeter Upgrade

**Calo-upgrade: reach the 1% res. target**  
 Resolution limited by the non-uniformity of the photon collection efficiency.

→ Replace the PMTs at the  $\gamma$  incident face with 12x12 mm<sup>2</sup> MPPCs.



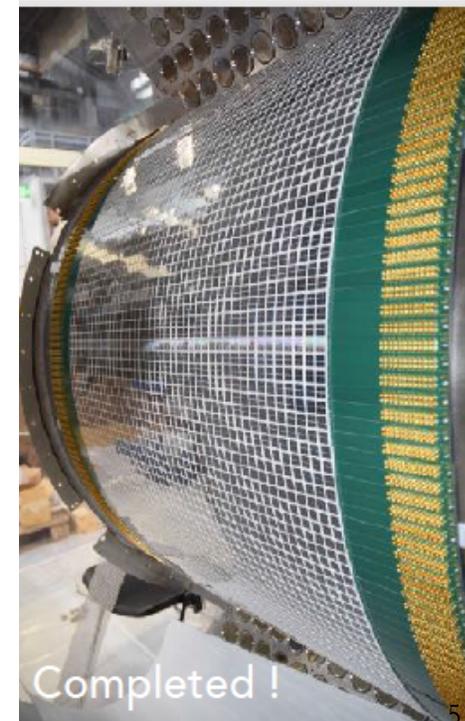
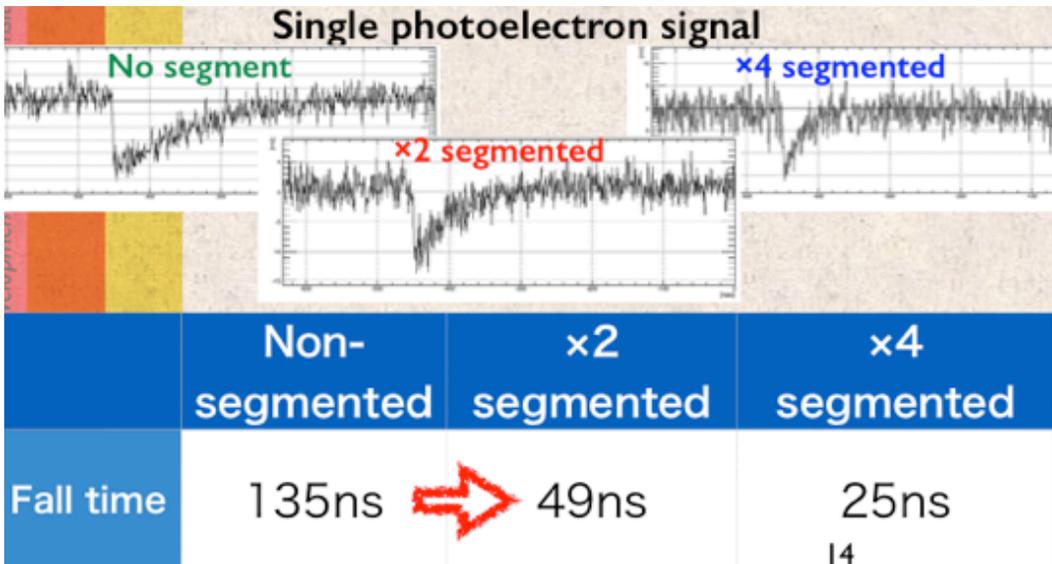
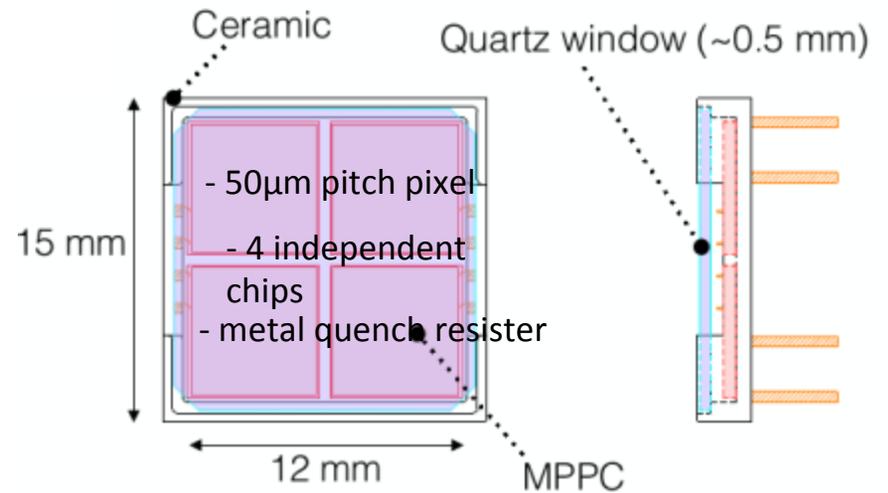
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The layout of the PMTs will also change.  
→ less energy leakage, better uniformity

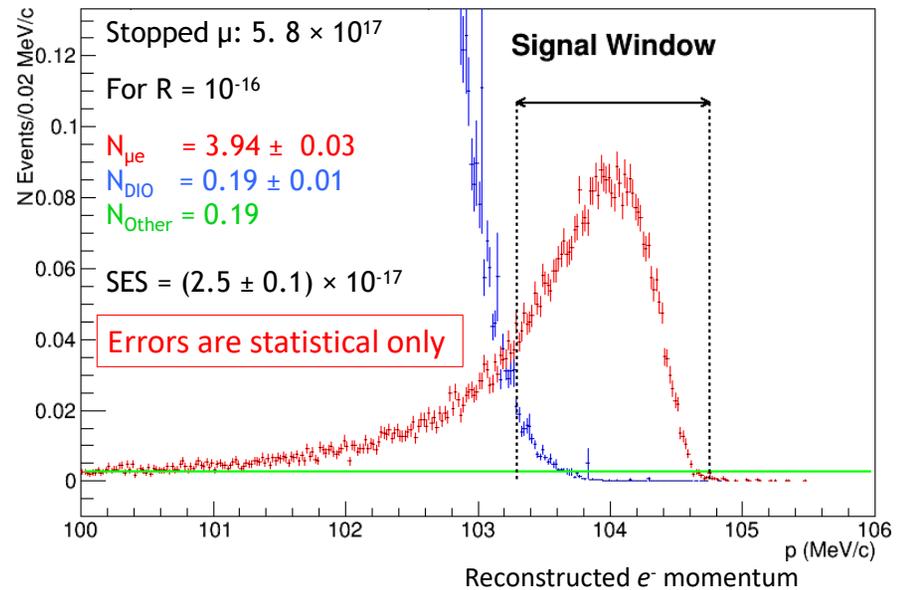
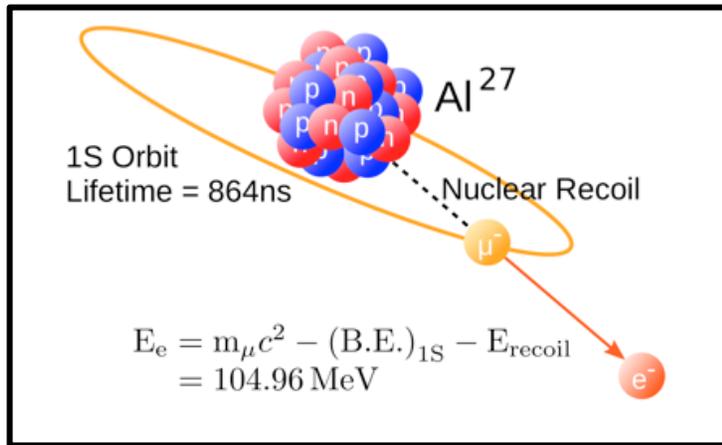
# VUV SiPMs

- **Sensitive to VUV-light**  
 → Protection coating is removed, VUV-transparent quartz window is used for protection.
- **Series configuration of cells to reduce overall quenching time**



# Mu2e search: High Intensity CLFV

Mu2e search for the Muon to electron conversion in the field of an Aluminium nucleus.



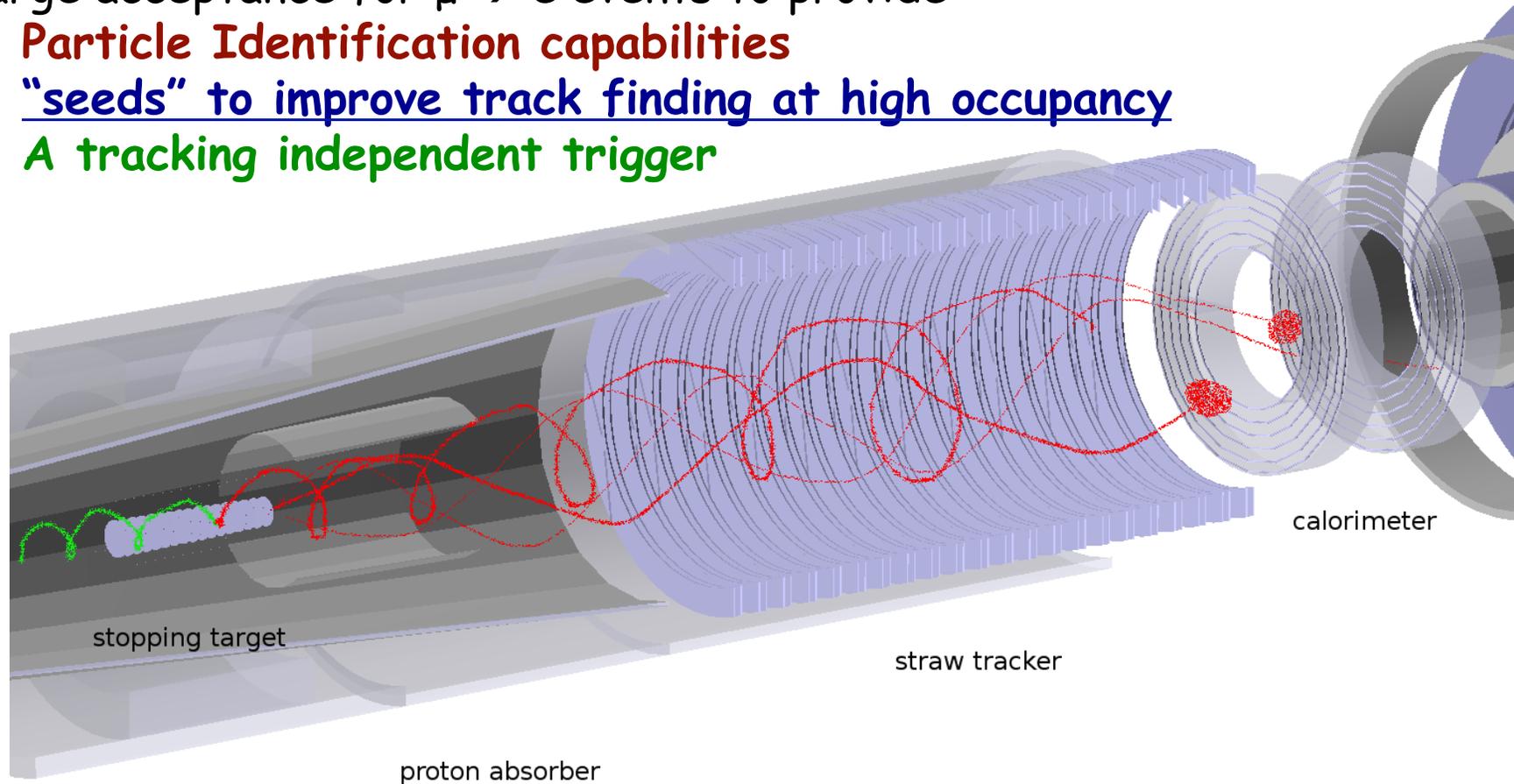
- Extremely high rate: **muon beam of 10 GHz** stopping on aluminum target
  - Pulsed beam with 1.8 usec structure
  - Conversion Signal close to end point of background
  - High rate of neutrons and dose ( $10^{12}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>, 100 krad)
  - Need to work under vacuum ( $10^{-4}$  Torr) + 1 T field
- NEED of extremely light and precise tracker → 200 keV at 100 MeV**

# Why calorimetry at Mu2e ?

The calorimeter adds complementary qualities to the tracker system:

Large acceptance for  $\mu \rightarrow e$  events to provide:

- **Particle Identification capabilities**
- "seeds" to improve track finding at high occupancy
- **A tracking independent trigger**



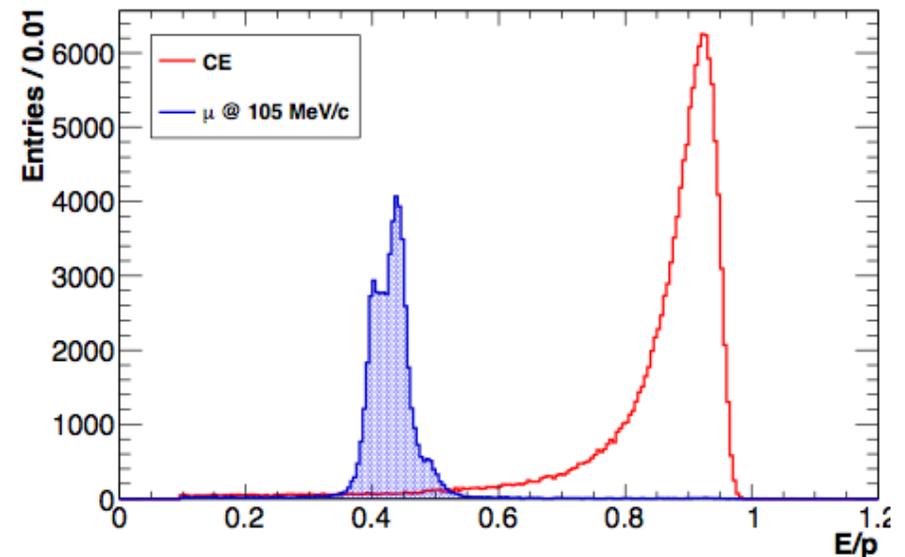
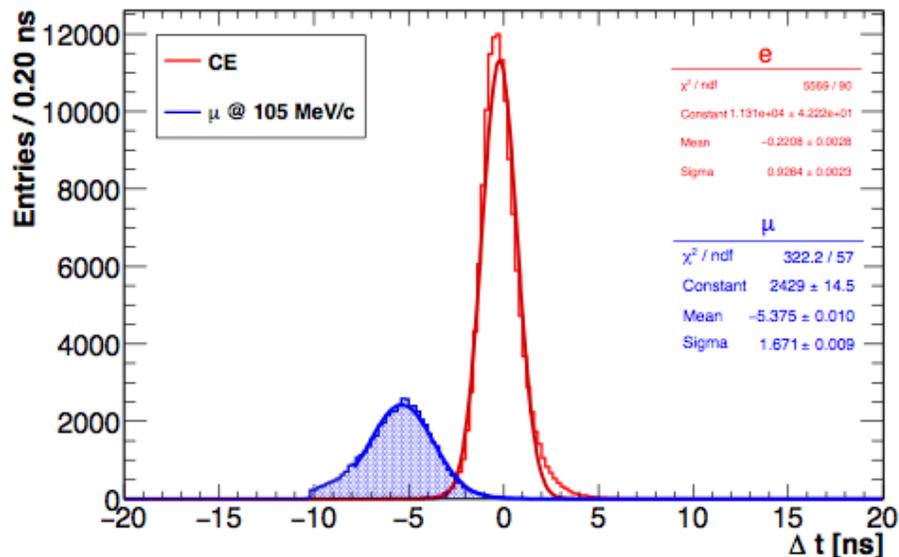
+ .. resistant to radiation and working in 1T field and @  $10^{-4}$  Torr vacuum

# INFN PID calorimeter-tracker – basic idea

$$\beta = \frac{p}{E} \sim 0.7, \quad E_{kin} = E - m \sim 40 \text{ MeV}$$

Compare the reconstructed track and calorimeter information:

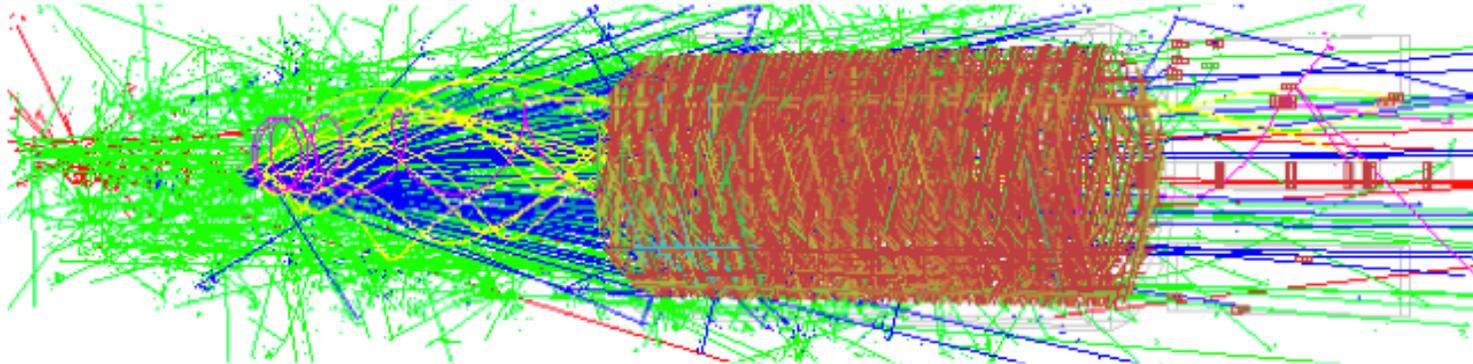
- $E_{cluster}/p_{track}$  &  $\Delta t = t_{track} - t_{cluster}$ ,
- Build a likelihood for e- and mu- using distribution on  $E/p$  and  $\Delta t$



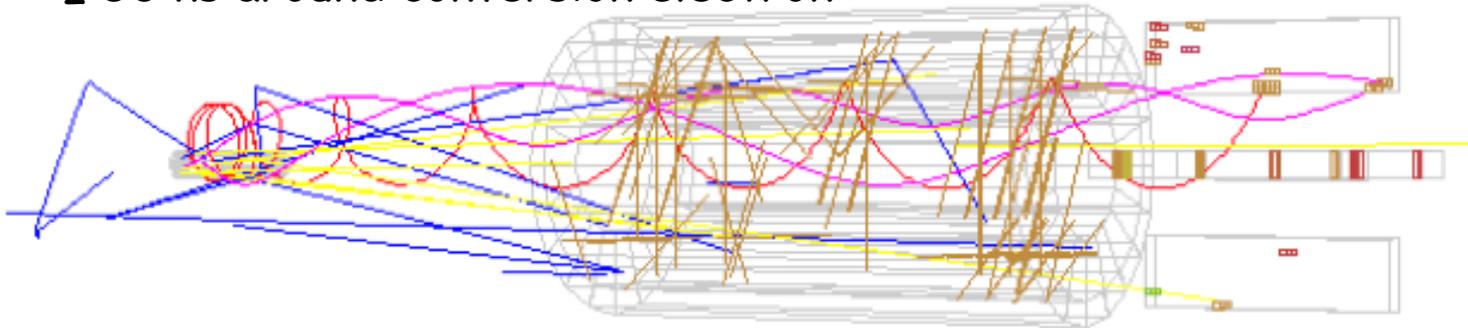
Get very high efficiency ( $> 95\%$ ) with Rejection factor  $> 200$   
 $\rightarrow$  Needs energy res 5-10 % and timing  $< 500$  ps.

# EMC based track seeding

500 - 1695 ns window



$\pm 50$  ns around conversion electron

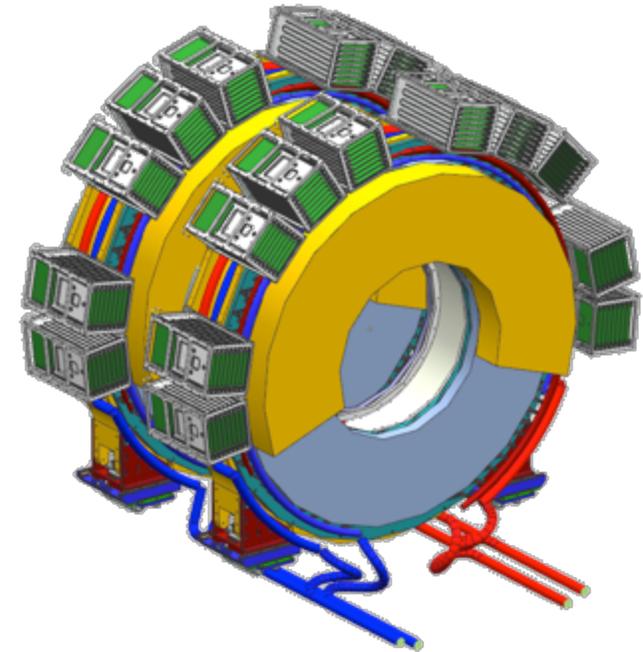
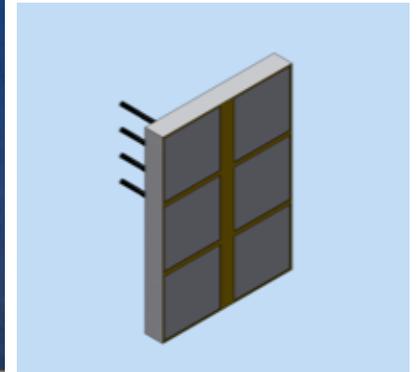
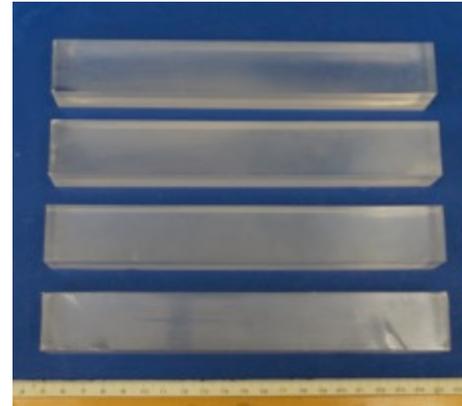


The speed and efficiency of tracker reconstruction is improved by selecting tracker hits compatible with the time ( $|\Delta T| < 50$  ns) and azimuthal angle of calorimeter clusters  $\rightarrow$  simplification/improvement of pattern recognition.

# Mu2e Calorimeter Design

The Mu2e Calorimeter consists of two disks with 674 un-doped CsI  $34 \times 34 \times 200$  mm<sup>3</sup> square crystals:

- Each crystal is readout by two large area UV extended Mu2e SiPM's ( $14 \times 20$  mm<sup>2</sup>)
- Analog FEE is on the SiPM and digital electronics is located in near-by electronics crates. Waveform analysis for pileup.
- Radioactive source and laser system provide absolute calibration and monitoring capability



High efficiency for 105 MeV electrons and:

- Provide energy resolution  $\sigma_E/E$  of  $O(5 \%)$
- Provide timing resolution  $\sigma(t) < 500$  ps
- Provide position resolution  $< 1$  cm

# Crystal Choice

	<del>LYSO</del>	<del>BaF<sub>2</sub></del>	CsI
Radiation Length X <sub>0</sub> [cm]	1.14	2.03	1.86
Light Yield [% NaI(Tl)]	75	4/36	3.6
Decay Time[ns]	40	0.9/650	20
Photosensor	APD	<b>R&amp;D APD</b>	SiPM
Wavelength [nm]	402	<b>220/300</b>	310

## LYSO

CDR

- Radiation hard, not hygroscopic
- Excellent LY
- Tau = 40ns
- Emits @ 420 nm,
- Easy to match to APD.
- High cost > 40\$/cc

## Barium Fluoride (BaF<sub>2</sub>)

BASELINE-TDR

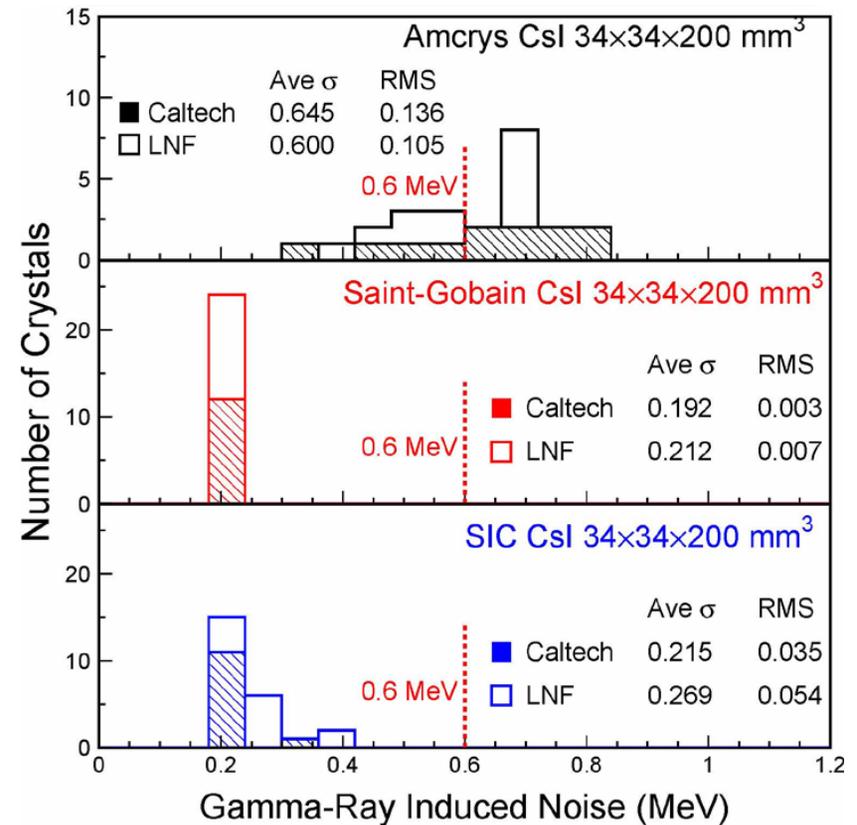
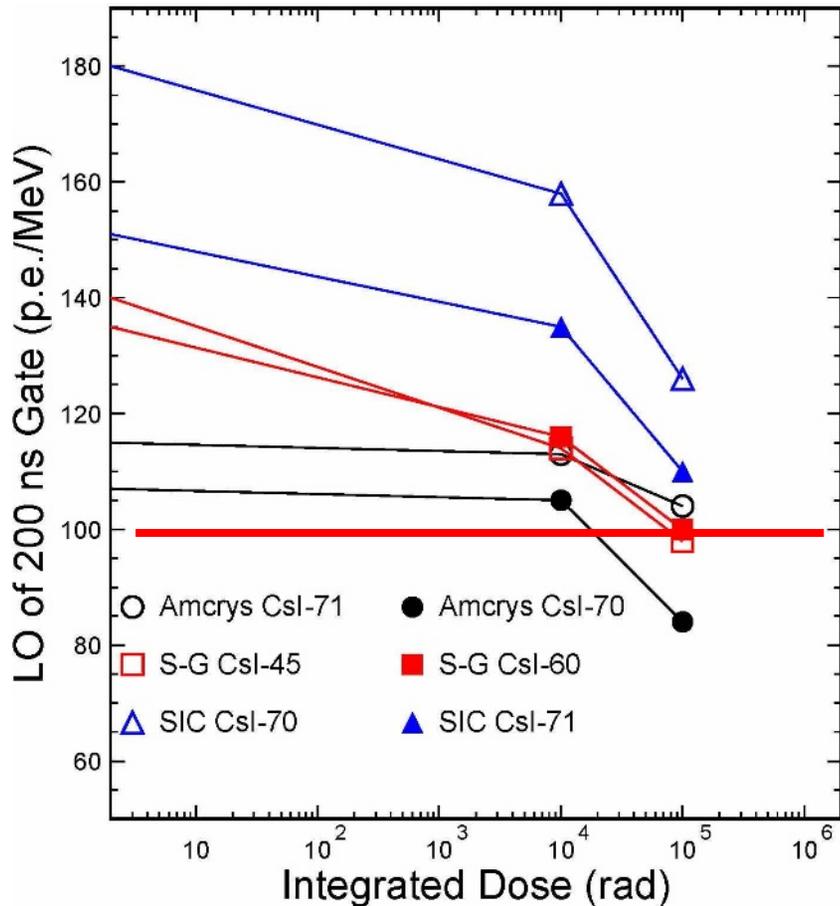
- Radiation hard, not hygroscopic
- very fast (220 nm) scintillating light
- Larger slow component at 300 nm. should be suppress for high rate capability
- Photo-sensor should have extended UV sensitivity and be “solar”-blind
- Medium cost 10\$/cc

## CsI(pure)

FINAL CHOICE

- Not too radiation hard
- Slightly hygroscopic
- 15-20 ns emission time
- Emits @ 320 nm.
- Comparable LY of fast component of BaF<sub>2</sub>.
- Cheap (6-8 \$/cc)

# INFN Radiation hardness: dose & neutrons



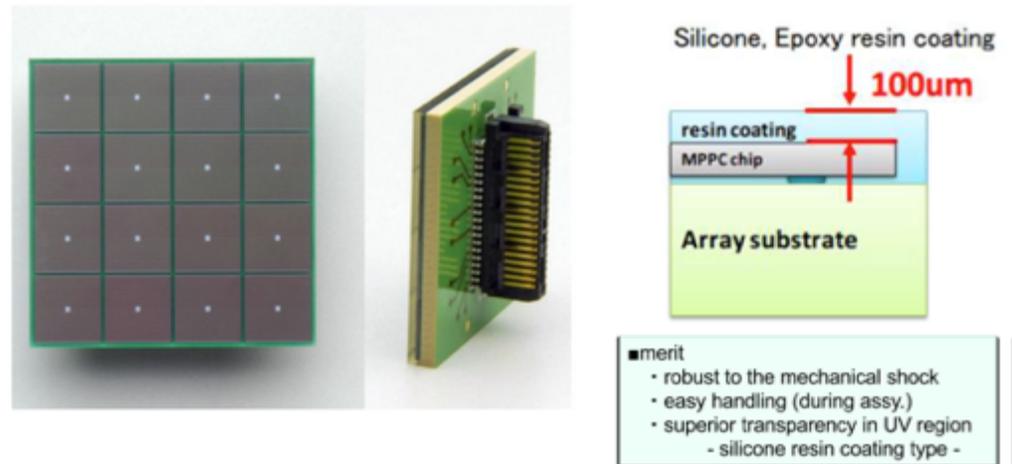
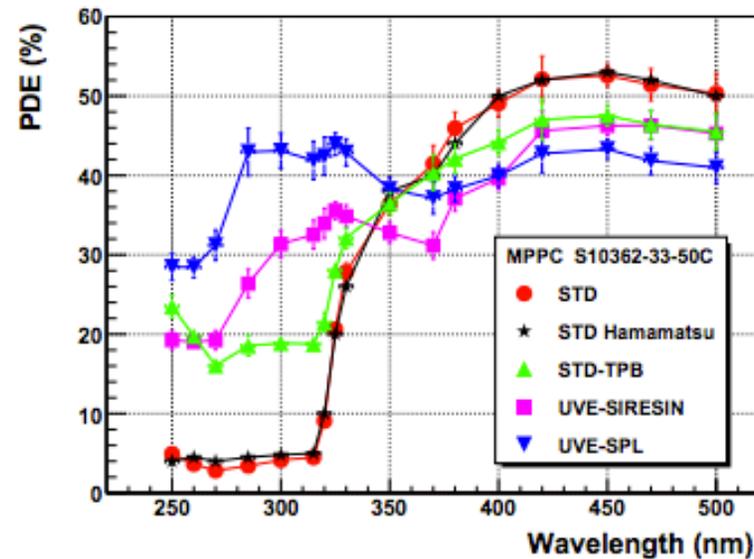
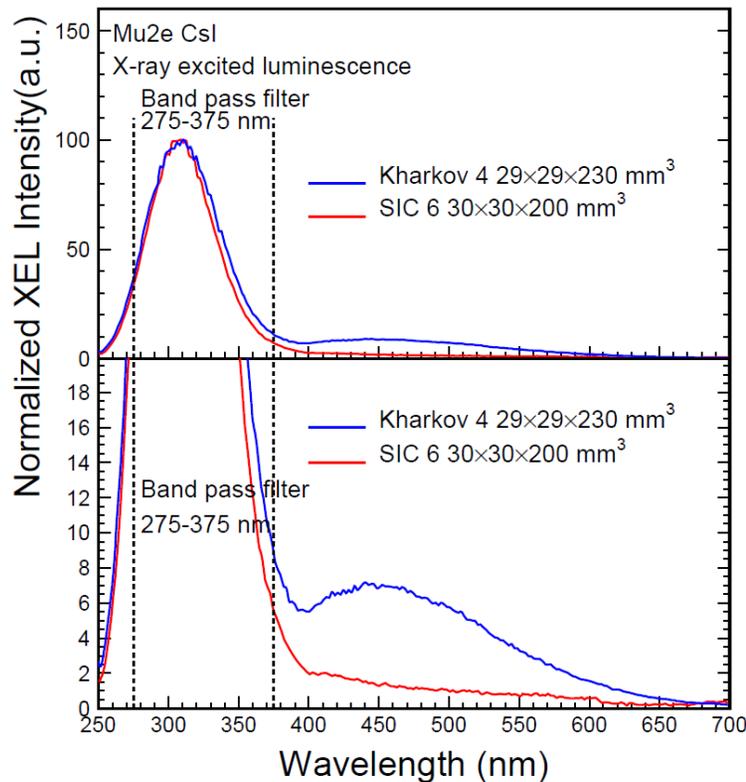
- CsI crystals rad-hard for expected dose in Mu2e-I
- No recovery after annealing
- Radiation Induce Noise (phosphorescence) is larger for ionizing dose than for neutrons

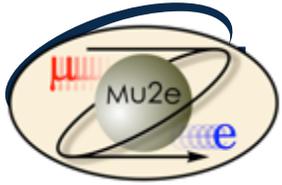
# UV extended SiPM

The PDE of UV-enhanced MPPC is higher below 350 nm

Imaging with SiPMs in noble-gas detectors:  
arXiv 1210.4746

- 30-40% @ 310 nm (CsI pure wavelength)
- New silicon resin window
- TSV readout, Gain =  $10^6$





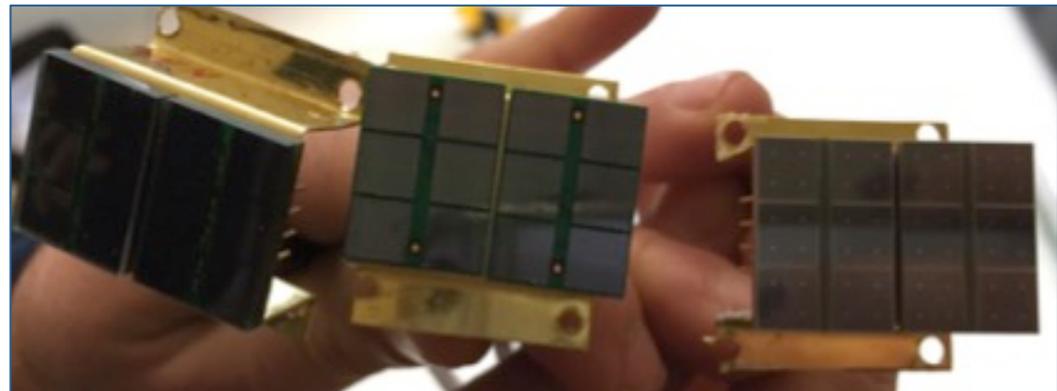
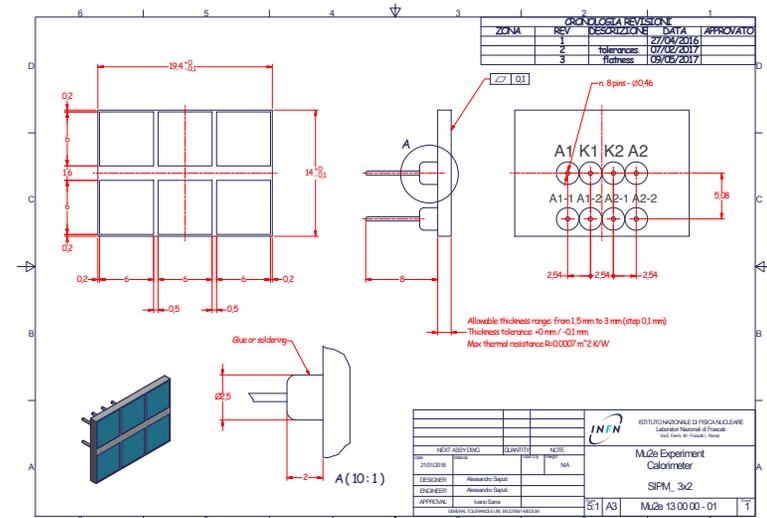
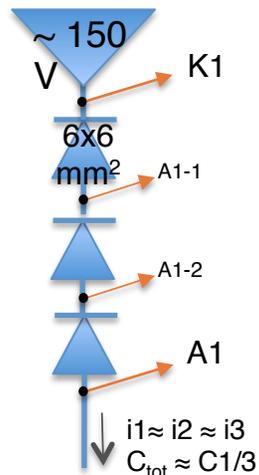
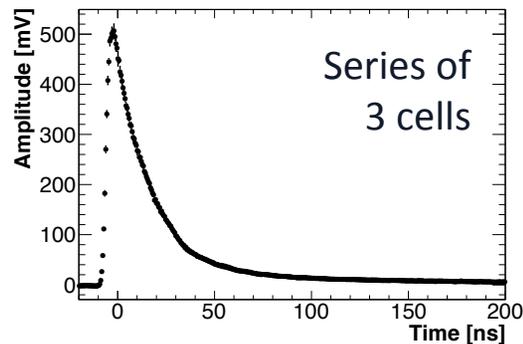
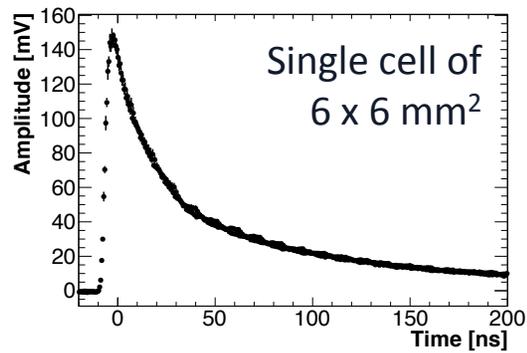
# Mu2e custom SiPMs design



Mu2e custom silicon photosensors:

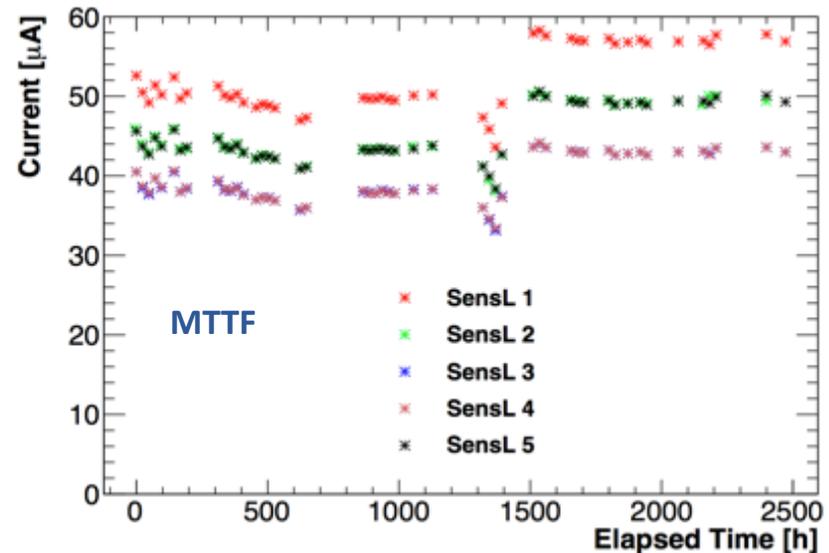
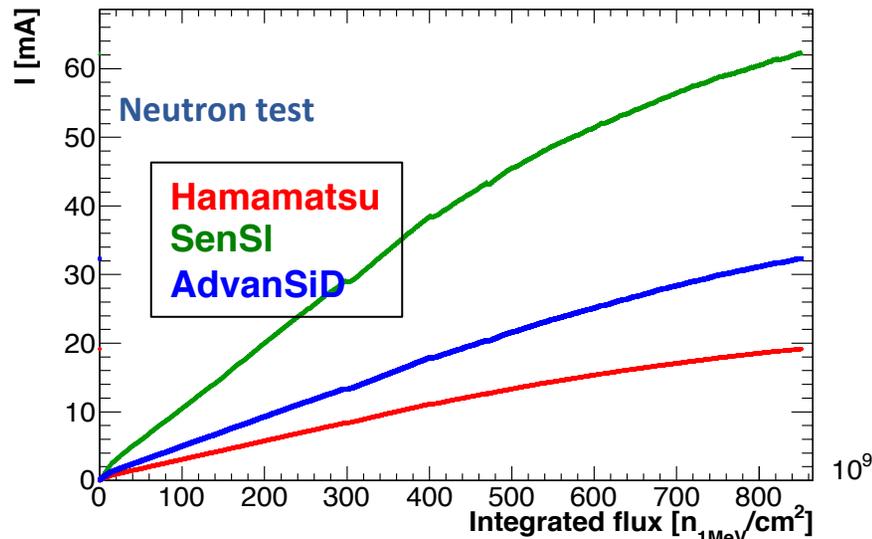
→ 2 arrays of 3 6 x 6 mm<sup>2</sup> UV-extended SiPMs for a total active area (12x18) mm<sup>2</sup>

The series configuration reduces the overall capacity and allows to generate narrower signals



# Irradiation and MTTF of SiPMs

- ✓ 1 sample/vendor have been exposed to neutron flux up to  $8.5 \times 10^{11} n_{1\text{MeVeq}}/\text{cm}^2$  (@ 20 °C)
- ✓ 5 samples per vendor have been used to estimate the mean time to failure value  
Requirement: grant an MTTF of 1 million hours when operating at 0 °C



In Mu2e SiPMs will operate @ 0 °C

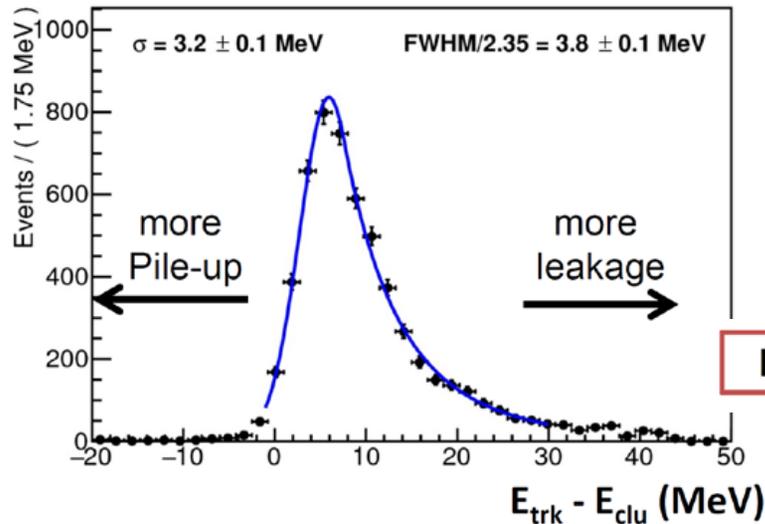
- a decrease of 10 °C in SiPMs temperature corresponds to a  $I_d$  decrease of 50%
- Lower  $V_{op}$  also helps to decrease  $I_d$

**Thumb Rule: -1 V, 10% loss, -2V 40% loss**

- MTTF evaluated operating SiPMs @ 65 C
- No dead channels observed  
**MTTF  $\geq 10^6$  hours**

# Simulated performances

Simulation includes full background and digitization and cluster-finding, with split-off and pileup recovery



**FWHM / 2.35 = 3.8 ± 0.1 MeV**

LRU

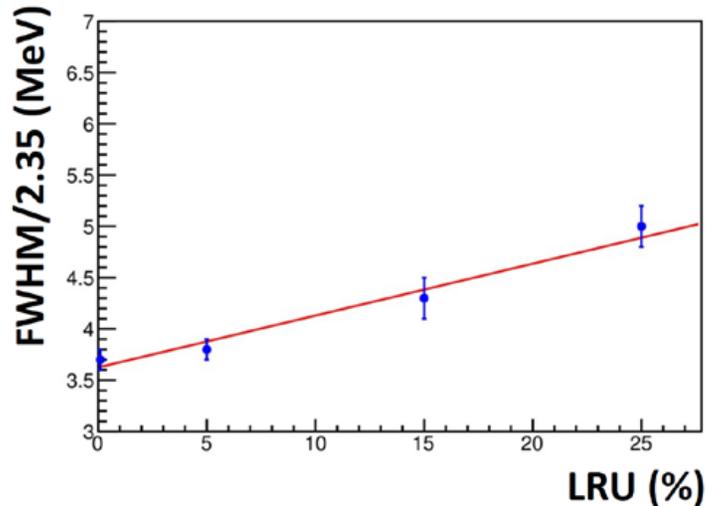
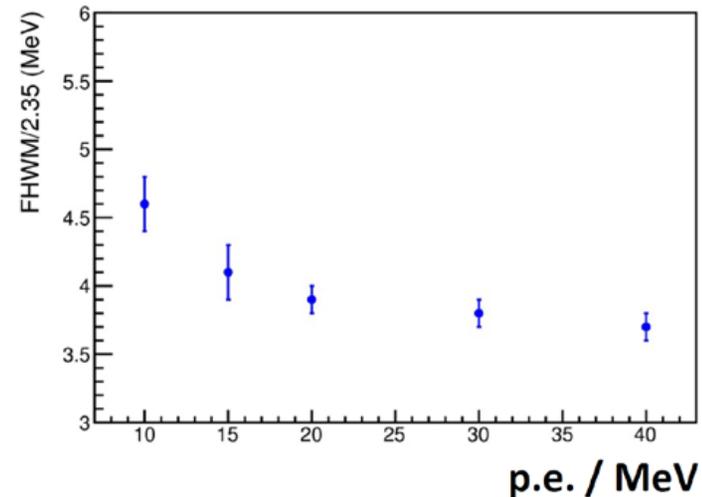


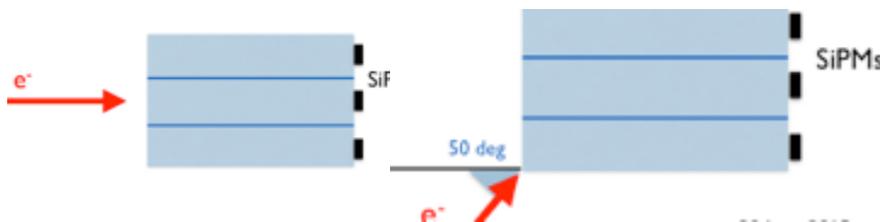
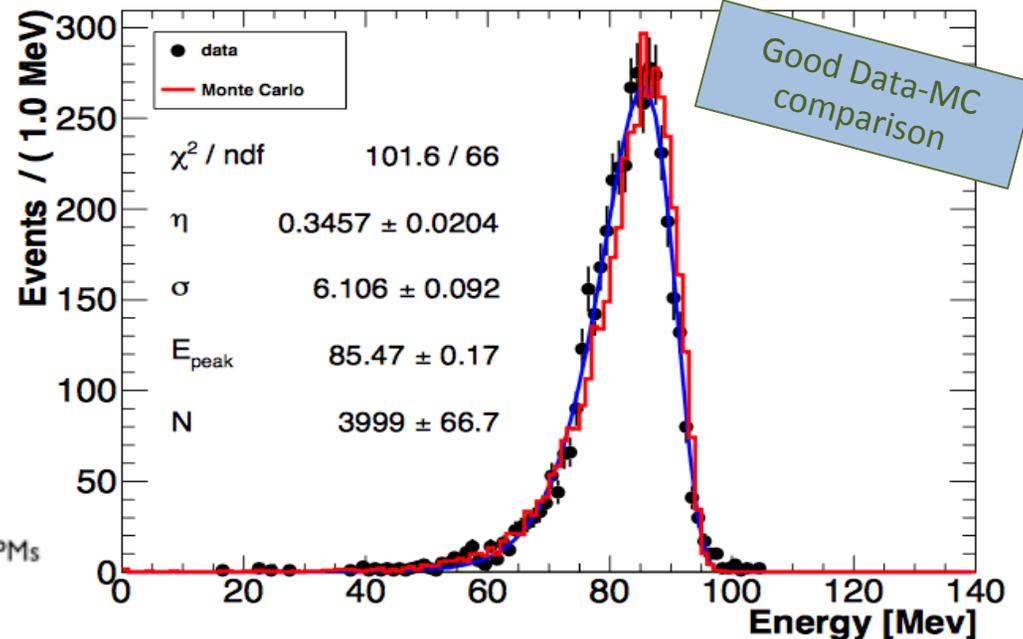
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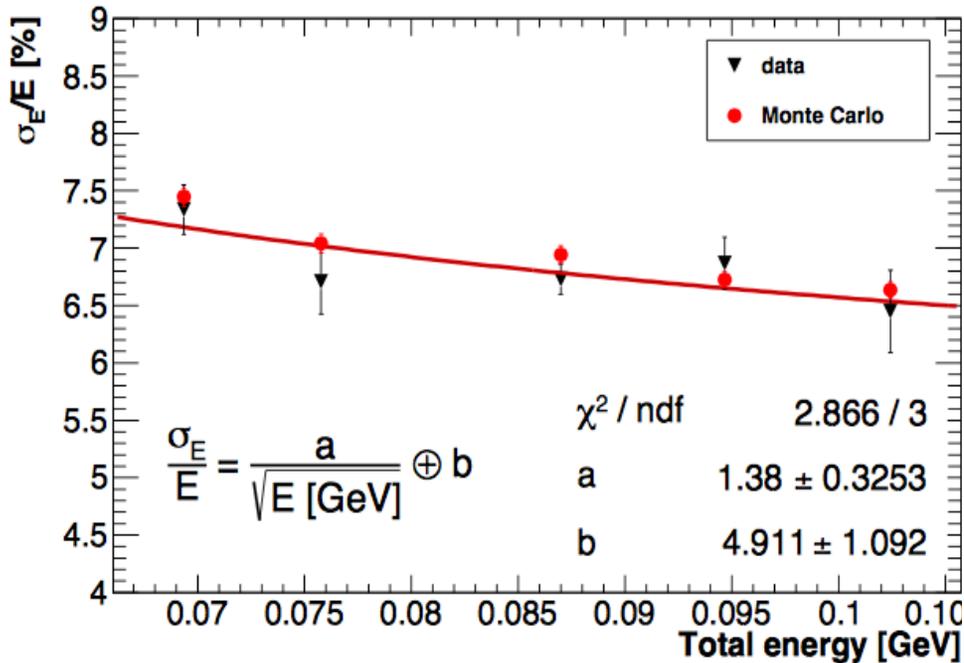
# Mu2e small size prototype

- Small prototype tested @ BTF (Frascati) in April 2015, 80-120 MeV  $e^-$
- 3x3 array of 30x30x200 mm<sup>2</sup> undoped CsI crystals coupled to one Hamamatsu SiPM array (12x12) mm<sup>2</sup> with Silicon optical grease
- DAQ readout: 250 Msps CAEN V1720 WF Digitizer

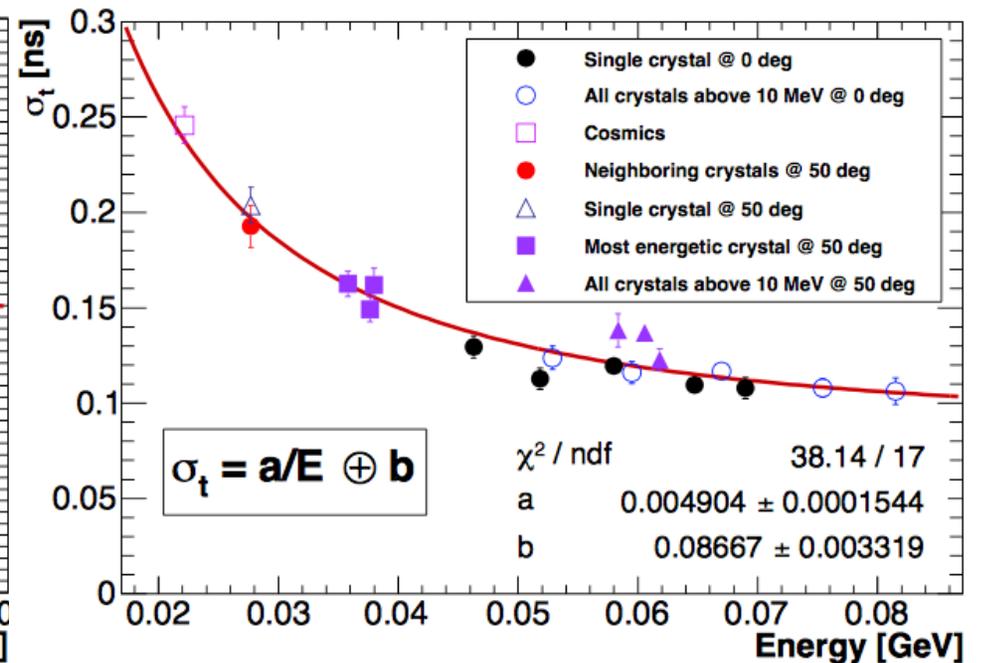
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# Mu2e small size prototype



$\sigma_E \sim 6.5\%$  at 100 MeV



$\sigma_T \sim 110$  ps at 100 MeV

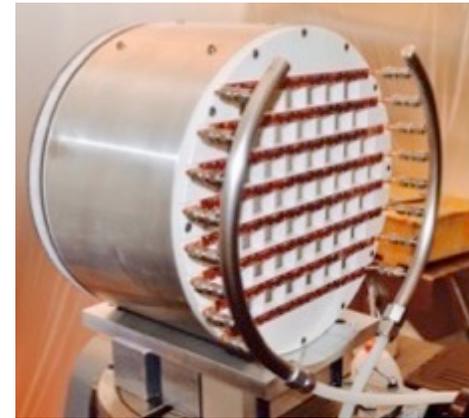
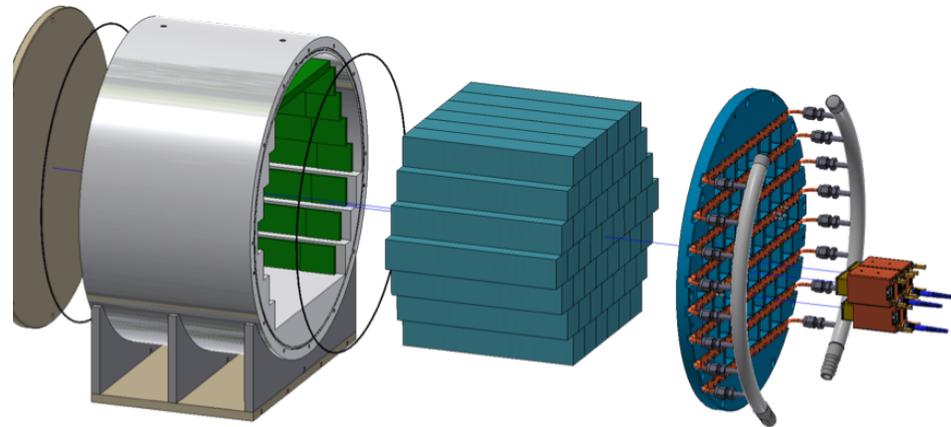
Significant leakage contribution due to the matrix dimensions

# Module-0 prototype

Large size prototype of the disk assembled April 2017

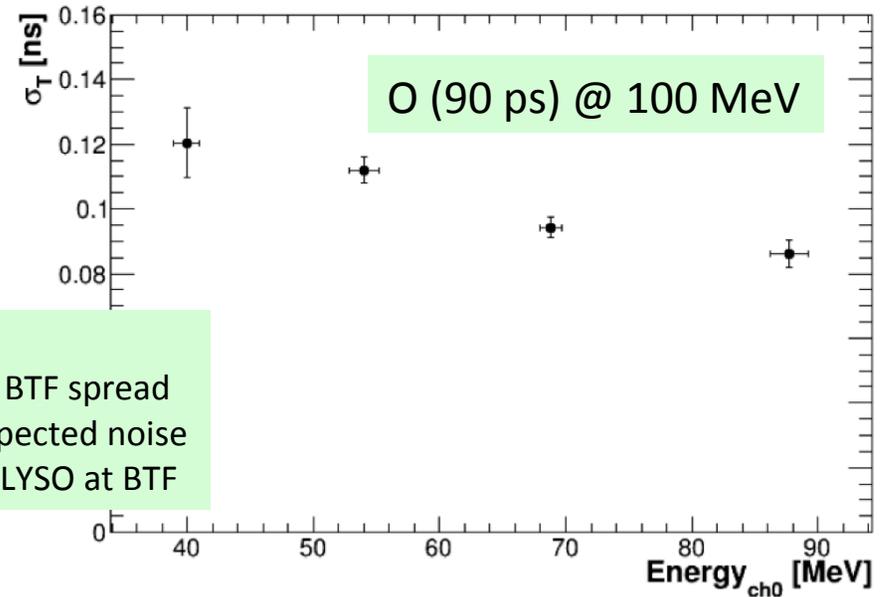
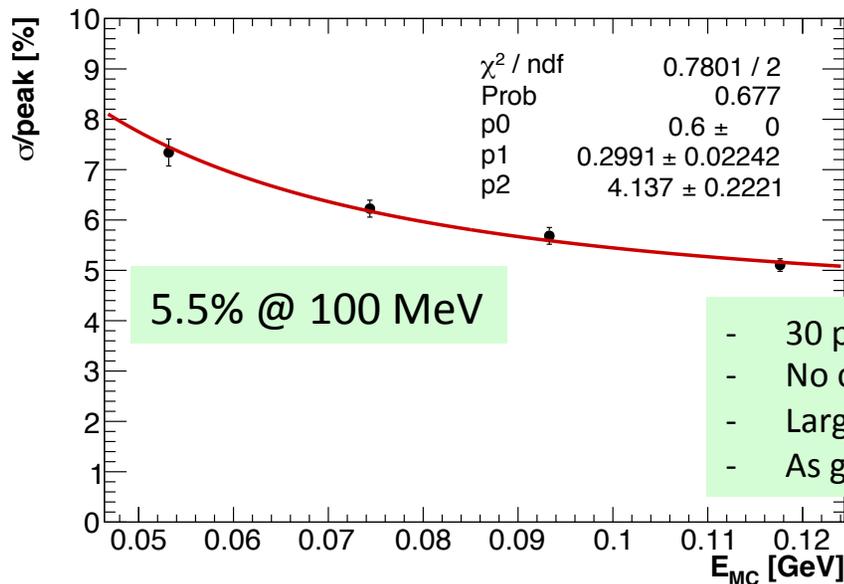
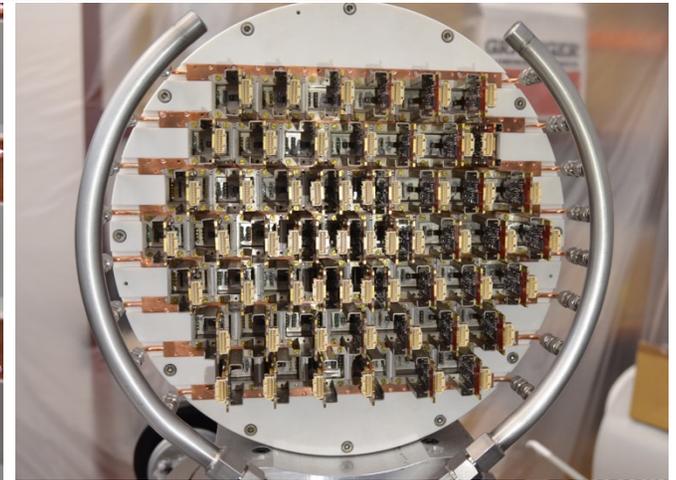
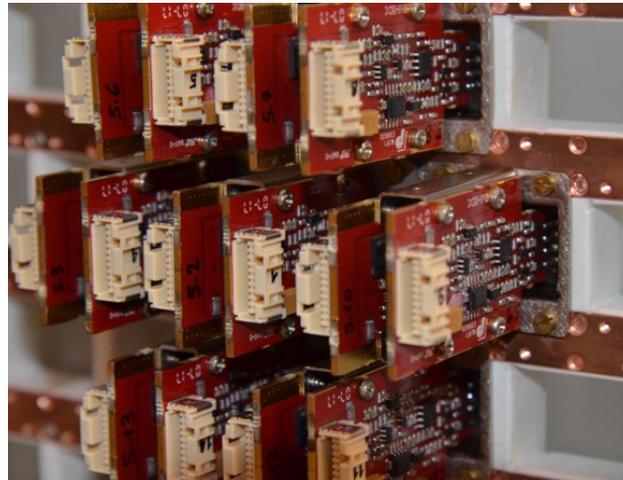
- 51 crystals, 102 sensors,
- 102 FEE chips
- Cooling lines and readout.

Assembly of back disk in ZEDEX on Al support disk



# Module-0: test beam results

- Tested at BTF @ 50 Hz
- **No optical grease**
- Final shapes and components
- Running at 20 °C
- Now working under vacuum and 0 °C
- **New sets of test planned w neutrons, high rate beams**



- 30 pe/MeV
- No corr for BTF spread
- Large unexpected noise
- As good as LYSO at BTF

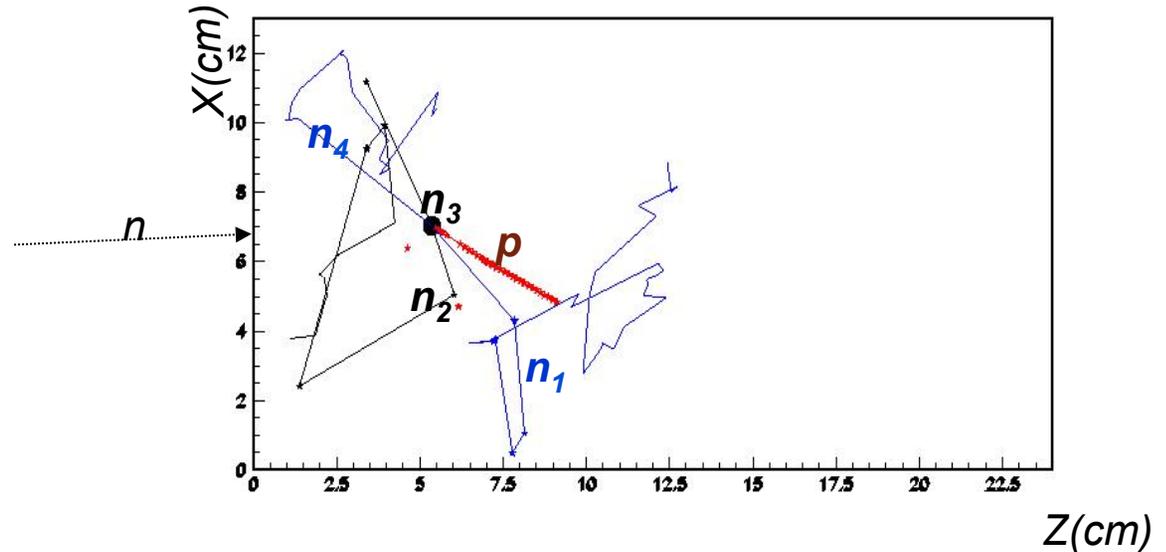
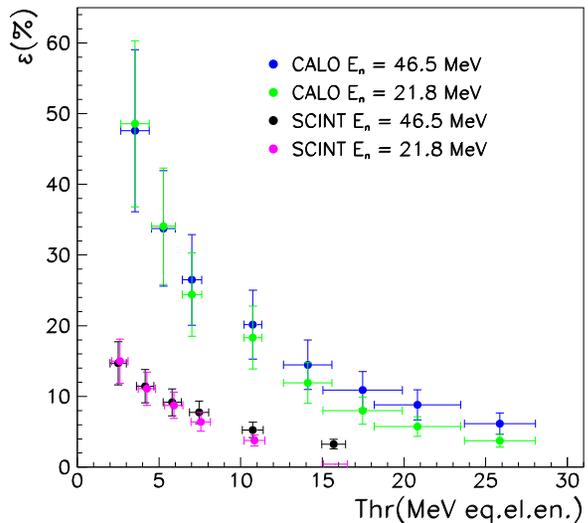
Working on data at 50 degrees angle to simulate Conversion Electrons

- ❑ Albeit **at low energy ( $< \text{GeV}$ )** tracking systems ARE fundamentally more precise than a calorimeter **YET there are many reasons to built calorimeters:**
  - (obvious) Photon reconstruction
  - Fast triggering & Particle Identification
  - Resolving pileup in high intensity
  
- ❑ Nowadays highest precision in HEP calorimeter at low energies comes from liquid Xe (Ar, Kp) thanks to their homogeneity and high scintillating properties. **They can be extremely fast.**
  
- ❑ Crystal calorimetry is “reborn” at low energies (also in presence of large B-fields) thanks to the great improvement on the photosensor side.
  - **large area SiPMs are now almost similar to PMTs (size, cost, .. noise).**
  - **SiPMs are also improving their PDE in the UV regions.**

**They are getting better and better as noise term and as rad-hard resistance are concerned → thus opening the road to work at really high intensity**

**ADDITIONAL  
MATERIAL**

# KLONE = KLOe NEutron detection



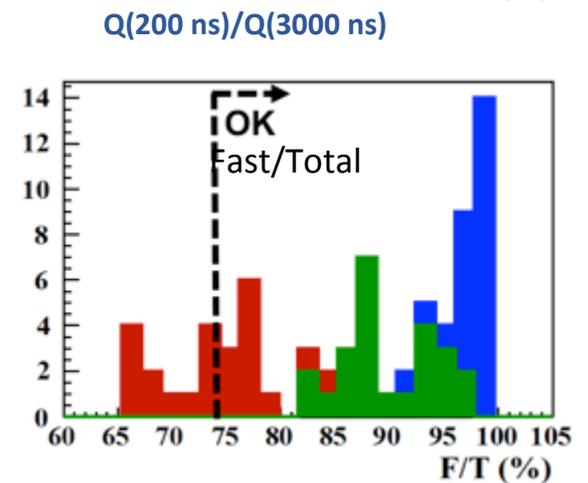
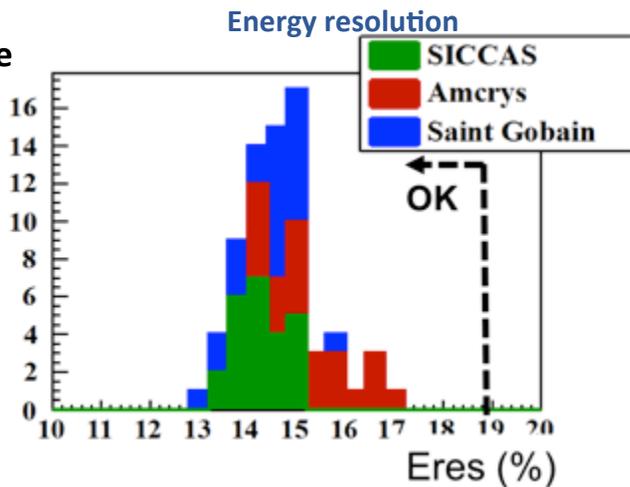
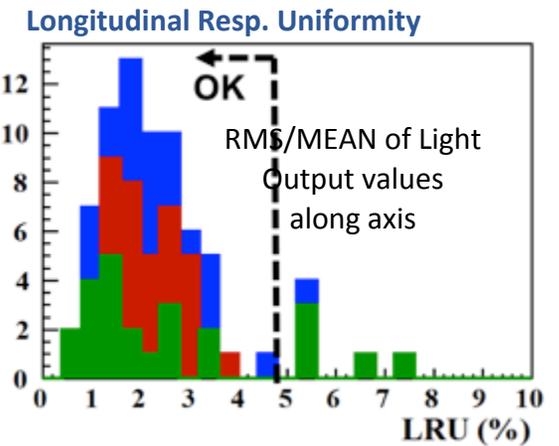
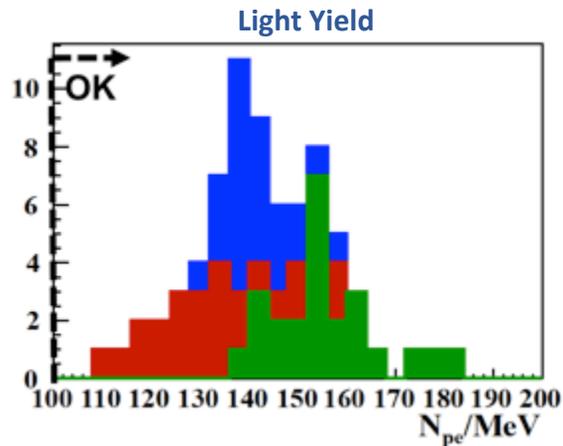
- Detection of  $n$  of few to few hundreds MeV is traditionally performed with **organic scintillators** (el.scattering of  $n$  on H atoms produces protons detected by the scintillator)  $\Rightarrow$  **efficiency or  $O(1\%/cm)$**
- High-Z material improves neutron efficiency [NIM A297 (1990), NIM A338 (1994) NIM B192 (2002)]
- A KLOE Calo Small Size prototype tested at “The Svedberg Laboratory” (TSL) of Uppsala (October 2006 and June 2007) with 22, 46 and 174 MeV neutron beam.
- **IMPROVED EFFICIENCY ( x 4 ) with respect to an equivalent “thickness” of scintillator slab.**
- Full FLUKA simulation performed:
  - $\rightarrow$  suggest huge inelastic production of secondary neutrons at lower energy in the lead
  - $\rightarrow$  they are accompanied by em fraction and protons. Then producing signals on scintillation side

# Crystals pre-production

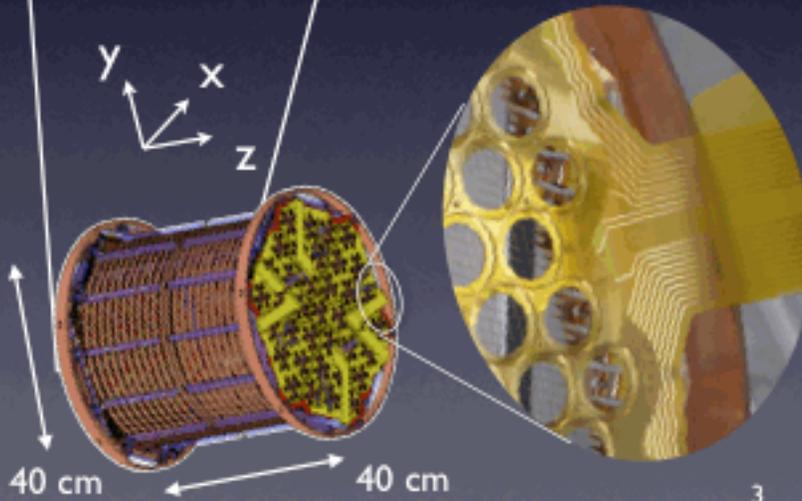
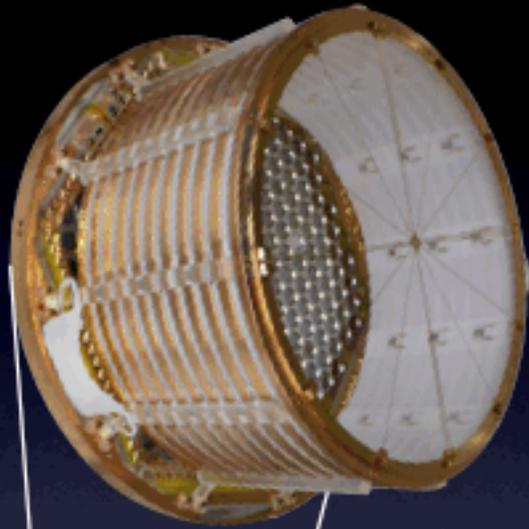
- 24 crystals from three different vendors: **SICCAS**, **Amcrlys**, **Saint Gobain**
- Optical properties tested with 511 keV  $\gamma$ 's along the crystal axis
- Crystals wrapped with 150  $\mu\text{m}$  of Tyvek and coupled to an UV-extended PMT

## Un-doped CsI crystals perform well

- Excellent LRU and LY:**
  - 100 pe/MeV with PMT readout
  - LRU < 5%
- $\tau$  of 30 ns with small slow component
- Radiation hardness OK for Mu2e**
  - Smaller than 40% LY loss @ 100 krad
- Small Radiation Induced Noise (Phosphorescence)



## The EXO-200 TPC



Two almost identical halves reading **ionization** and 178 nm **scintillation**, each with:

- 38 U triplet wire channels (charge)
- 38 V triplet wire channels, crossed at 60° (induction)
- 234 large area avalanche photodiodes (APDs, light in groups of 7)
- Wire pitch 3 mm (9 mm per channel)
- Wire planes 6 mm apart and 6 mm from APD plane
- All signals digitized at 1 MS/s,  $\pm 1024$ S around trigger
- Drift field 376 V/cm

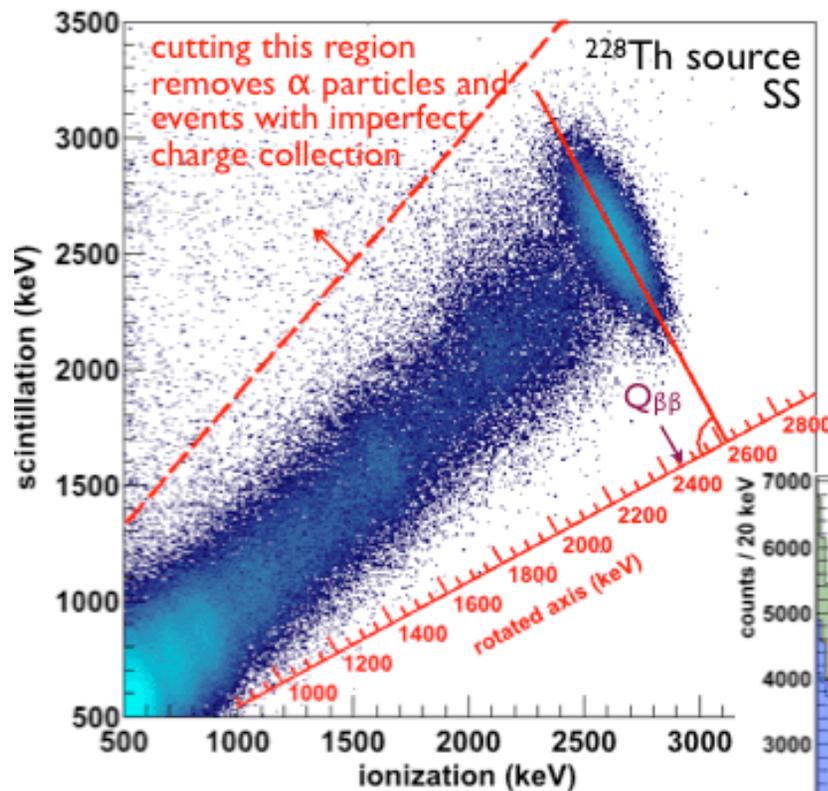
- Field shaping rings: copper
- Supports: acrylic
- Light reflectors/diffusers: Teflon
- APD support plane: copper; Au (Al) coated for contact (light reflection)
- Central cathode, U+V wires: photo-etched phosphor bronze
- Flex cables for bias/readout: copper on kapton, no glue

Comprehensive material screening program

**Goal: 40 cnts/2y in  $0\nu\beta\beta \pm 2\sigma$  ROI, 140 kg LXe**

# EXO: Liquid Xe, Ionization & Scintillation

- $N_{\text{gamma}} = E_{\text{deposited}} / W_{\text{ph}}$
- $W_{\text{ph}} = W / (1 + N_{\text{excitation}} / N_{\text{ionizing}})$
- $W$  is average energy for e-ion pair production,  $N_{\text{exciton}}$  and  $N_{\text{ionization}}$

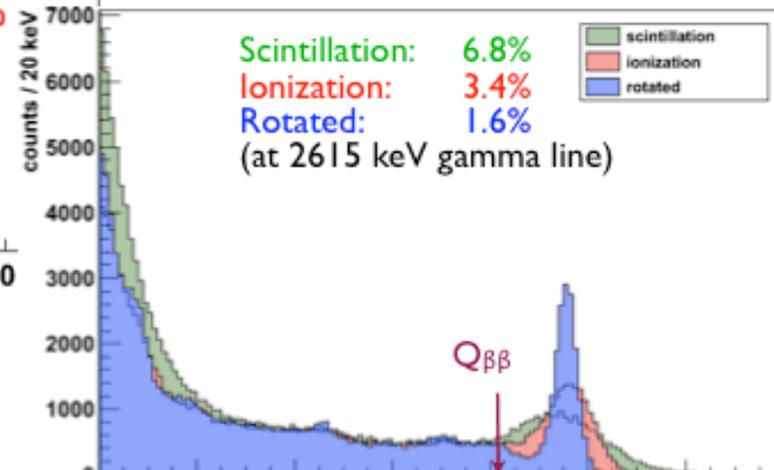


Properties of xenon cause increased scintillation to be associated with decreased ionization (and vice-versa)

E. Conti et al. Phys. Rev. B 68 (2003) 054201

Use projection onto a rotated axis to determine event energy

Rotation angle chosen to optimize energy resolution at 2615 keV



# Liquid Xenon LY, Tau

Table 2

(a) Decay times for fast ( $\tau_S$ ) and the slow ( $\tau_T$ ) components of scintillation light from liquid Ar, Kr and Xe excited by 1 MeV electrons.  $\tau_R$ , the recombination time, and the intensity ratios  $I_S/I_T$  of fast component to the slow components are also shown. All decay times are in ns  
 (b) Decay times for fast ( $\tau_S$ ) and the slow ( $\tau_T$ ) component of scintillation light from liquid Ar, and Xe excited by  $\alpha$ -particles. The intensity ratios  $I_S/I_T$  of the fast component to the slow component are also shown. All decay times are in ns

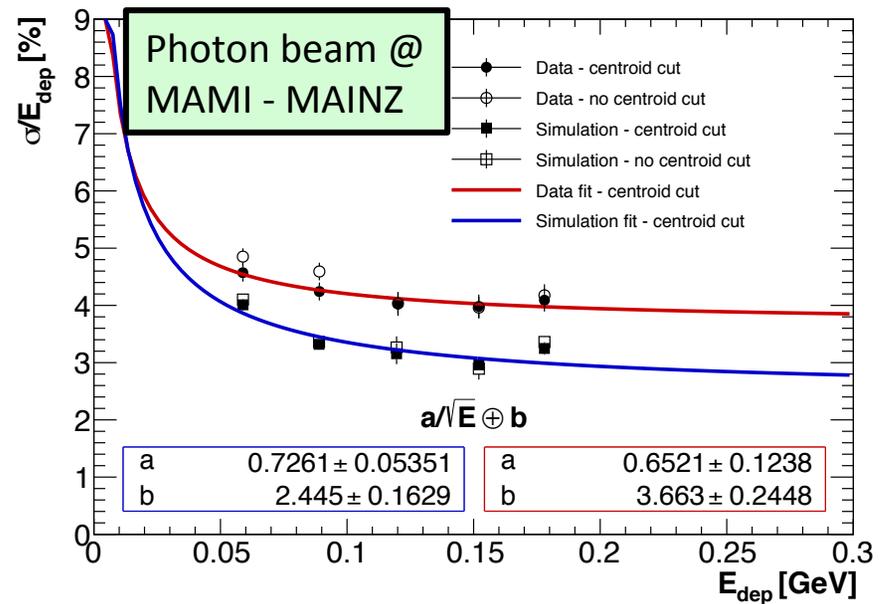
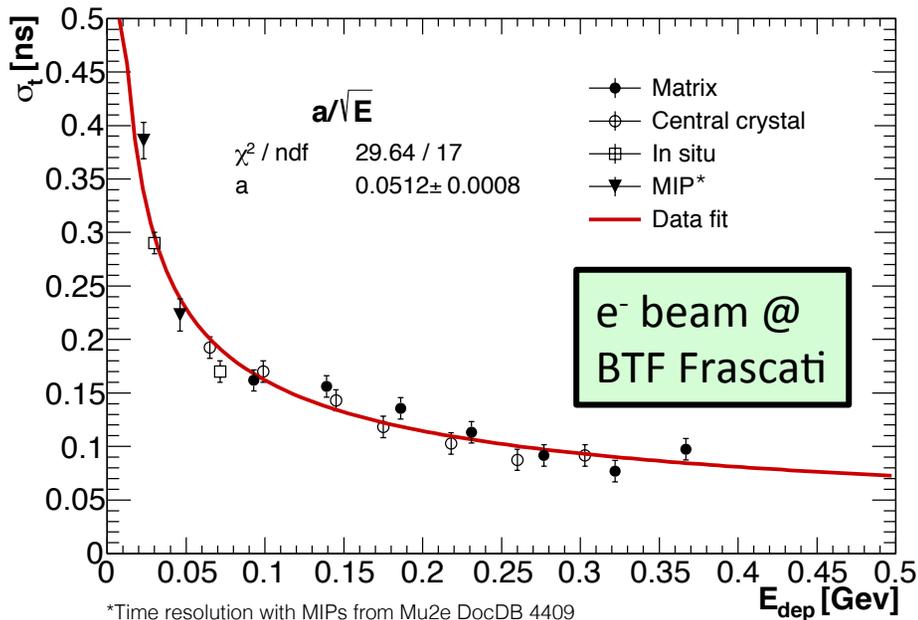
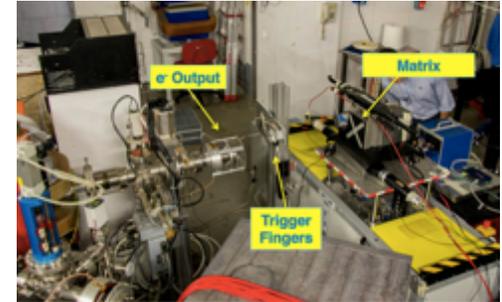
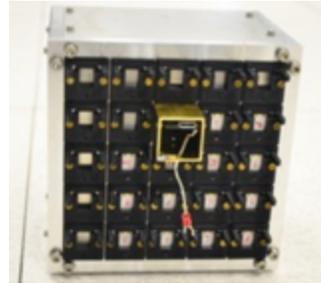
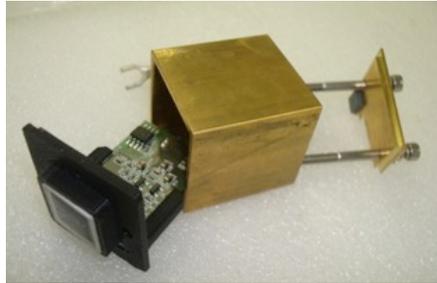
(a)	Liquid Ar	Liquid Kr	Liquid Xe
$\tau_S$	$6.3 \pm 0.2^a$ ns ( $5.0 \pm 0.2$ ns for $E = 6$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup> $6 \pm 2^b$	$2.0 \pm 0.2^a$ ns ( $2.1 \pm 0.3$ ns for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>	$(2.2 \pm 0.3$ ns for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>
$\tau_T$	$1020 \pm 60^a, 1590 \pm 100^b$ ns ( $860 \pm 30$ ns for $E = 6$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>	$91 \pm 2^b$ ns ( $80 \pm 3$ ns for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>	$34 \pm 2^b$ ns ( $27 \pm 1$ ns for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>
$\tau_R$	$< 1$ ns		$45^a$ ns
$I_S/I_T$	$0.083^b$ ( $0.045$ for $E = 6$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup> $0.3^a$	$0.01^b$ ( $0.02$ for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>	$0.05$ for $E = 4$ kV/cm) <sup>b</sup>
(b)	Liquid Ar		Liquid Xe
$\tau_S$	$7.7 \pm 1.0^a$ ns $\sim 5^b$ ns		$4.3 \pm 0.6^a$ ns $3^c$ ns
$\tau_T$	$1660 \pm 100^a$ ns $1200 \pm 100^b$ ns		$22 \pm 1.5^a$ ns $22^a$ ns
$I_S/I_T$	$1.3^a$		$0.45 \pm 0.07^a$ $1.5^a$ ns

# Liquid Xenon LY

Table 1

Measurements and estimates of the average energy needed to produce a scintillation photon,  $W_{\text{ph}}(\text{eV})$  in liquid Xe

Liquid rare gas	Relativistic electrons	$\alpha$ -particles	Relativistic heavy particles ( $W'_{\text{ph}}$ (eV))
Ar	$25.1 \pm 2.5$	$27.5 \pm 2.8$	$19.5 \pm 2.0$
Xe	$23.7 \pm 2.4$	$19.6 \pm 2.0$	$14.7 \pm 1.5$
	$(< 35)^{\text{a}}$	$(16.3 \pm 0.3)^{\text{b}}$	
	$(67 \pm 22)^{\text{c}}$	$(39.2)^{\text{d}}$	
	$(29.6 \pm 1.8)^{\text{e}}$		
	$(14.2)^{\text{f}}, (12.5, 12.3)^{\text{g}}$		
	$(42 \pm 0.6)^{\text{h}}$		
NaI(Tl)	$(17.2 \pm 0.4, 16.5 \pm 0.4)^{\text{i}}$		



$\sigma_T = 51 \text{ ps}/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$   
compare with KLOE  
 $\sim 55 \text{ ps}/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$

Energy resolution as a function of the energy deposition fitted with the function:

$\sim 4\% \text{ @ } 100 \text{ MeV}$   $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{b}{E} \oplus c$

Noise term  $b$  considered negligible ( $\sim 0.1\%$  in quadrature).