# **General considerations**

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- Scintillator choice
  - FNAL/NICADD
  - UNIPLAST/Vladimir
- Scintillator arrangement
- High energy positron veto
- Conclusions

# <u>Basic design</u>

- Plastic scintillator
- Light read out by SiPM?
  WLS vs direct coupling
- O(1000) photons
- ~ 0.5 1cm thickness
- ~ 1 cm wide
- With time resolution better than 500 ps ...



# FNAL NICADD

- Scintillator co-extruded with a hole and TiO<sub>2</sub> coating
- Different possibilities
  - 1 cm x 1 cm 1 hole
  - 1 cm x 4 cm 1 hole
  - 1 cm x 4.1 cm 1 groove
  - 1 cm x 4.5 cm 2 holes
  - 1 cm x 5 cm 1 hole
  - 1 cm x 5 cm 2 holes
- Minerva shape



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Available now

Possibility to reconstruct the position using energy sharing







- Production of practically anything that has one of the sides 1 cm is possible
- Price: ~2 euro per piece, almost no matter the dimension
- PADME needs ~ 100 (x2) + 100 (x2) + 50 (x2) scintillator bars
- Price is not an issue!

# **Different solutions**

- NICADD, FNAL, USA
  - New production for scintillator with cross section 1 x 1 cm2 necessary
  - Alternative: Minerva shape triangles
    - Used by CHANTI in NA62
- UNIPLAST Vladimir, Russia
  - Cut from larger plates
  - 0.7 mm, 10 mm, etc...
  - Production is available NOW!
  - Precision on dimensions, uniformity, etc...

## **Possible solutions**

- The thickness of the co-extruded (or chemically etched) coating is ~250 um
  - Dead region between the bars ~0.5 mm 5% of the total scintillator width
  - Difficult to be translated into inefficiency due to different angles
    - And the ineff. will depend on beam divergency, etc
- Possible "efficient" designs



- Single layer vs double layer
  - double the number of channels?
  - Rely of energy sharing for position resolution complicates the RO

### **Possible solutions**

• Rotate each single bar at > 100 mrad



# <u>Readout: PS & FE</u>

- SiPM PCB?
- HV possibilities:
  - Fabio suggestion for custom made HV circuit on the SiPM PCB
  - SiPM PS module, developed at RWTH Aachen University



~10€ /channel

Johannes Schumacher et al, proceedings of ICRC2015

- Good temperature stability, only linear regulators on board, 1 mV voltage precision
- Ethernet communication
- Already in use (2 at south pole, 1 in Aachen)
- Group contacted to understand if new production is possible...
- However both solutions need an extra transimpedance preamplifier

#### At present it seems difficult to avoid the construction of a custom made circuit...

# High energy positron veto

• Bars + fibers + MAPMT: Hamamatsu H9500, 256, from Paolo







TOP VIEW

- Far from the magnetic field
- Enough? room for support/mechanics, etc...
- Many things to be checked:
  - Photocathode response, ph.e. yield
  - Time resolution (RO with FADC)
- Tolerates even thicker scintillator

## **Conclusions**

- Production at UNIPLAST started even before we ordered anything ...
  - 400 pcs available for transportation, waiting for the contract to be signed.
- Things to be tested
  - Efficiency
  - Resolution (mainly time)
  - Photoelectric yield (H9500)
  - Uniformity
  - Scintillator/WLS assembly quality
- Assemble a prototype ASAP when the scintillator arrives
  - And possibly use it continously at BTF