

Status of ePIC forward dual RICH and overview of INFN R&D

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

dRICH



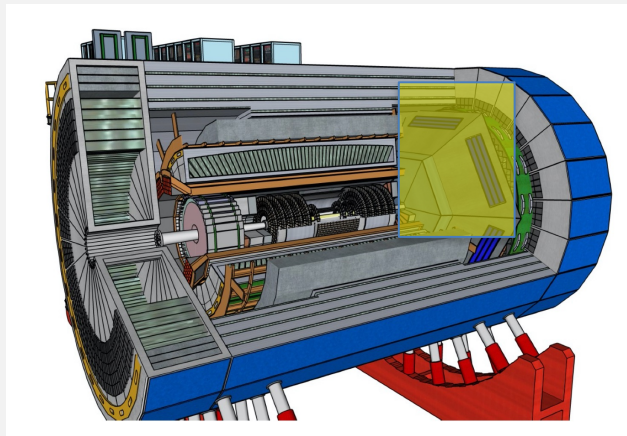
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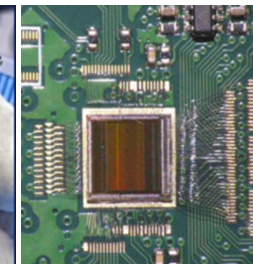
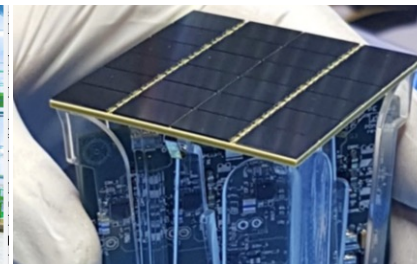
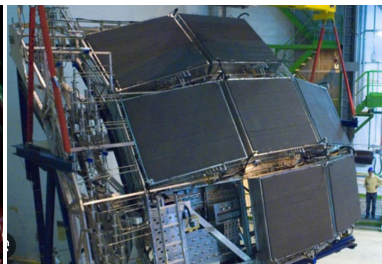
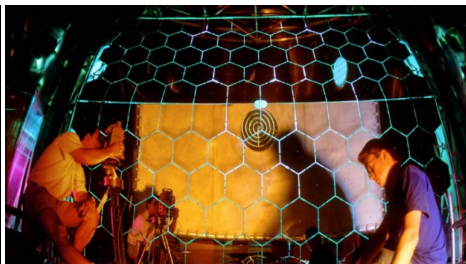
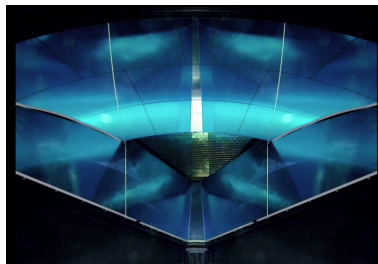
CLAS12 RICH

COMPASS RICH

ALICE HMPID

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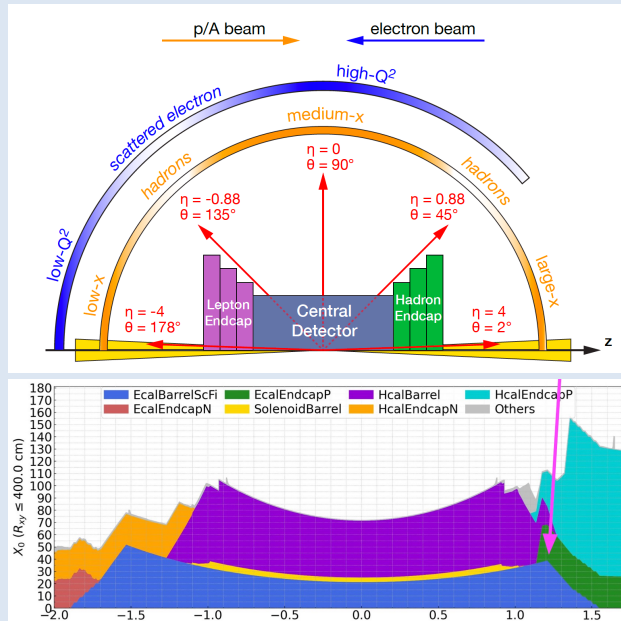
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Forward particle detection

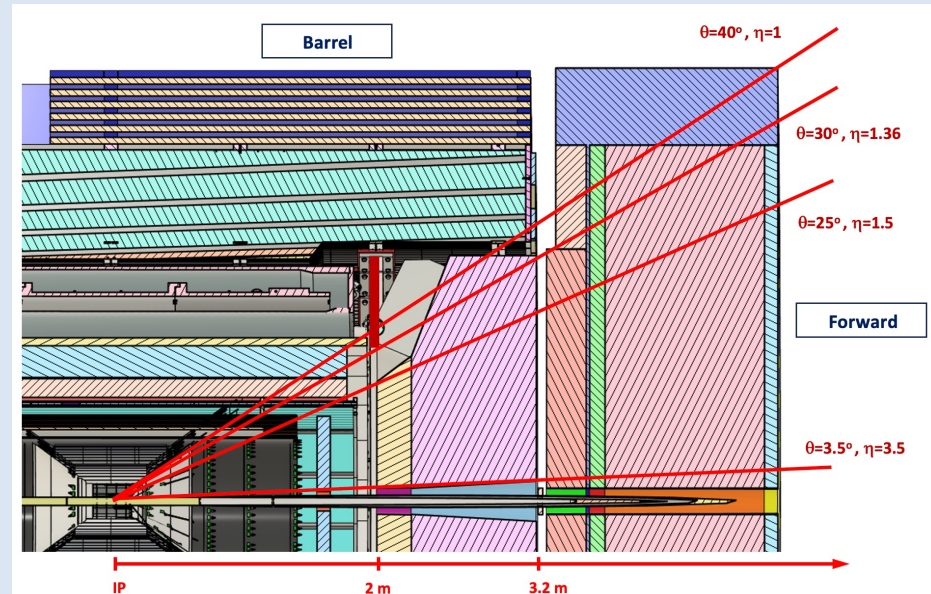
Hadron ID in the extended 3-50 GeV/c interval

Support electron ID up to 15 GeV/c



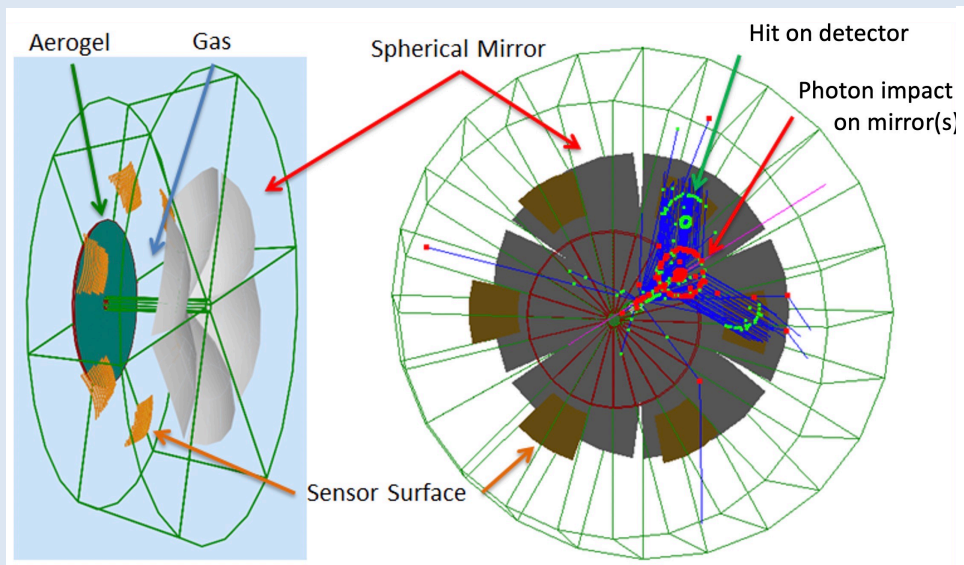
Essential for semi-inclusive physics
due to absence of kinematics constraints

η	Nomenclature	Electrons and Photons			$\pi/K/p$	
		Resolution σ_E/E	PID	Min E Photon	p-Range	Separation
1.0 to 1.5	Forward Detectors	2%/E $\oplus (4^{*}12)\%/E$ $\oplus 2\%$	$3\sigma e/\pi$ up to 15 GeV/c	50 MeV	≤ 50 GeV/c	$\geq 3\sigma$
1.5 to 2.0						
2.0 to 2.5						
2.5 to 3.0						
3.0 to 3.5						



Main features

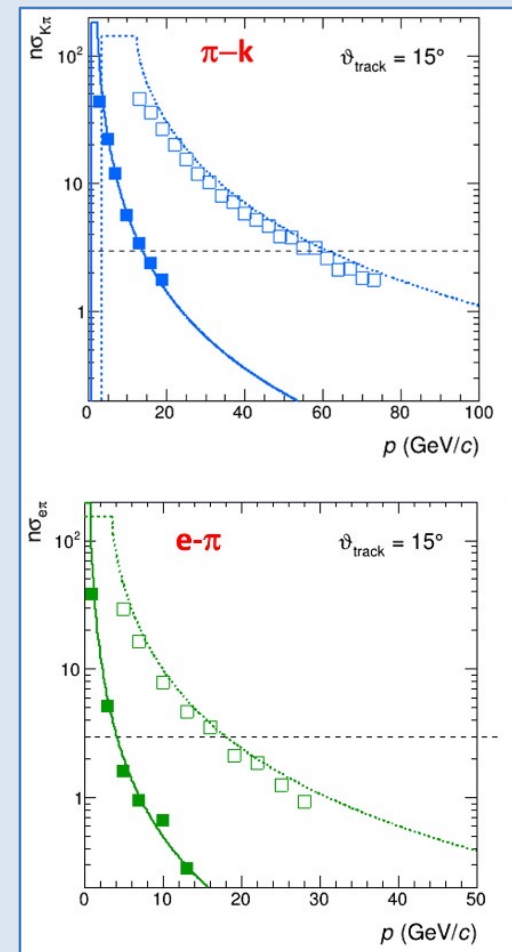
cover wide momentum range 3 - 60 GeV/c
work in high ($\sim 1\text{T}$) magnetic field
fit in a quite limited (for a gas RICH) space



dRICH: cost-effective compact solution

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

Detector: $0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{sector}$, $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$ pixel \rightarrow SiPM option



6.10.04 Particle Identification **Level-3**



6.10.04.03 dRICH **Level-4**



Photo-Detector **Level-5**

Front-end Asics **Level-5**

Data-acquisition **Level-5**

Mechanics **Level-5**

Gas radiator **Level-5**

Mirror **Level-5**

Aerogel Radiator **Level-5**

Simulation **Level-5**

CAM from Project

CAM from Project + DSTC from EPIC (**M. Contalbrigo**)

Work packages lead from EPIC

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F. Cossio, INFN-TO, INFN-BO

P. Antonioli, INFN-BO, INFN-FE

A. Saputi, INFN-FE, INFN-GE, JLAB, BNL

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A. Vossen, DUKE, INFN-FE

G. Volpe, INFN-BA, INFN-FE, RICH Consortium

M. Contalbrigo, INFN-TS, DUKE, INFN-FE

Work packages not yet active

Interlock **Level-5**

Slow Control **Level-5**

Cooling **Level-5**

Vessel **Level-5**

Detector box **Level-5**

Mirror Alignment **Level-5**

Power Supply **Level-5**

Dedicated mailing list: Eic-projdet-drich-l (<https://lists.bnl.gov/mailman/listinfo>)

CerenkovPID

dRICH Simulation Meetings

Working Group Meetings

pfRICH meetings

Miscellaneous

dRICH meetings

hpDIRC

dRICH meetings

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meetings of the dRICH DSC

June 2023

- 21 Jun dRICH Meeting - PID Review **NEW**
- 14 Jun dRICH Meeting - Sensors and Electronics
- 07 Jun dRICH Meeting - Mechanics and Mirrors

May 2023

- 31 May dRICH Meeting - Sensors and Gas
- 17 May dRICH Meeting - Radiators and Prototype
- 10 May dRICH Meeting - Mechanics and Mirrors
- 03 May dRICH Meeting - Readout Electronics

April 2023

- 26 Apr dRICH Meeting - Geometry and Simulations

Every Wednesday at 8:00 am EST (2:00 pm CET)

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dRICH Simulation Meetings

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There are 2 events in the future. [Show](#)

June 2023

- 30 Jun **Tutorial Series:** dRICH Simulation Software (4/6)
- 22 Jun **Tutorial Series:** dRICH Simulation Software (3/6)
- 22 Jun dRICH Meeting - Performance
- 16 Jun **Tutorial Series:** dRICH Simulation Software (2/6)
- 15 Jun dRICH Meeting - Performance
- 09 Jun **Tutorial Series:** dRICH Simulation Software (1/6)
- 01 Jun dRICH Meeting - Detector

May 2023

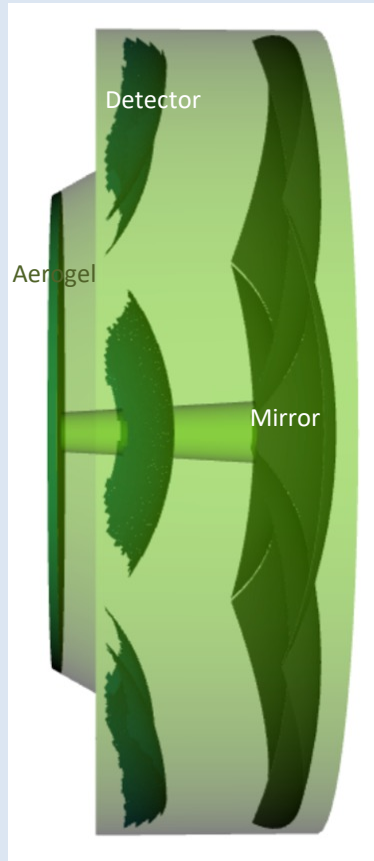
- 25 May dRICH Meeting - Performance
- 18 May dRICH Meeting - Geometry
- 11 May dRICH Meeting - Shaping and IRT
- 04 May dRICH Simulation Meeting - Simulation chain and resolution

Every Thursday at 10:00 am EST (4:00 pm CET)

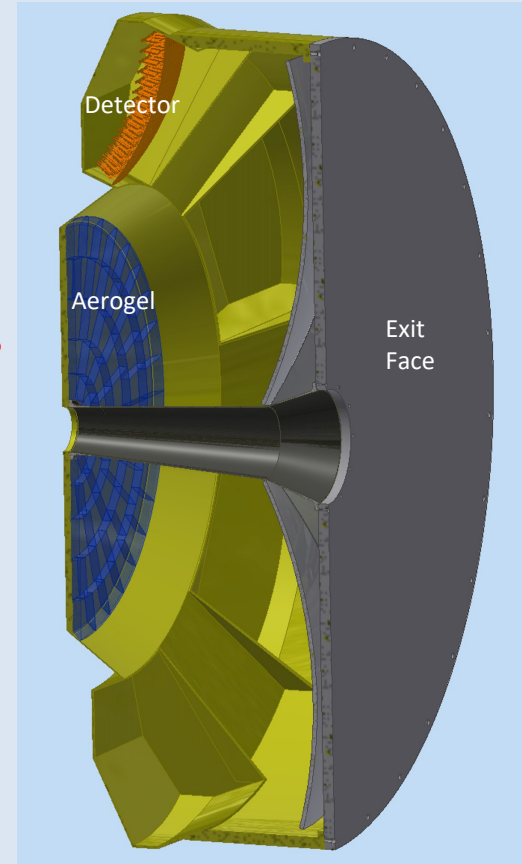
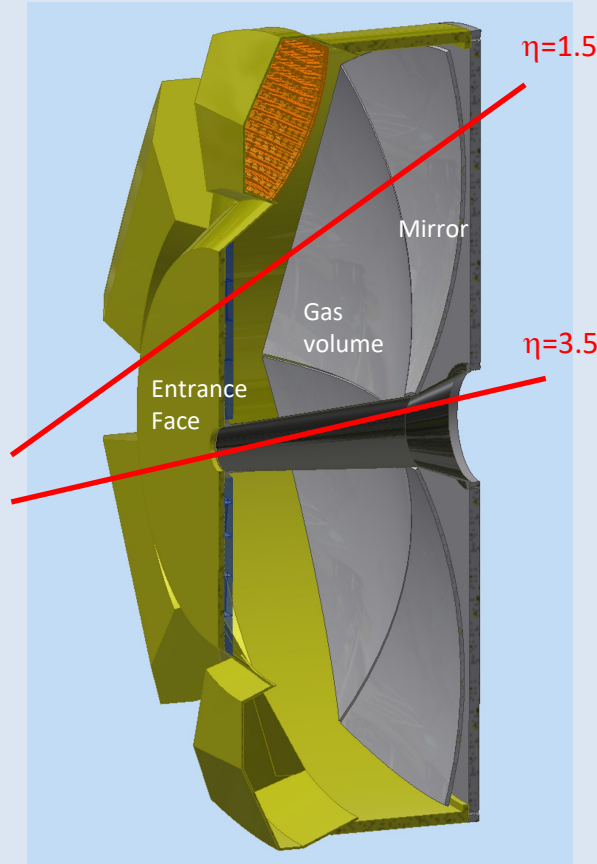
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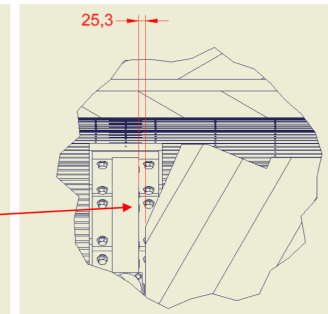
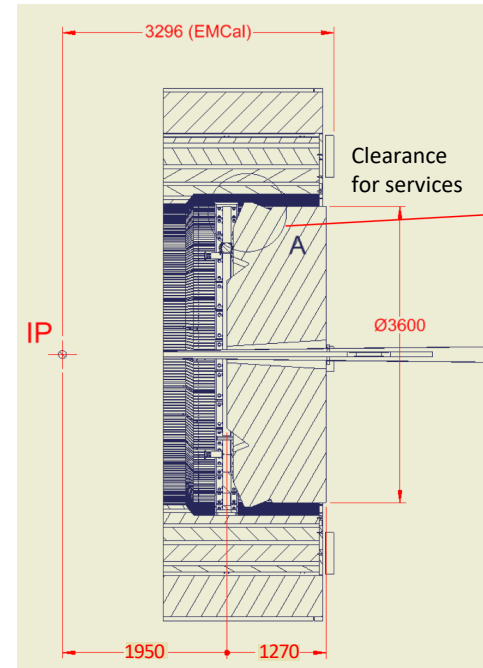
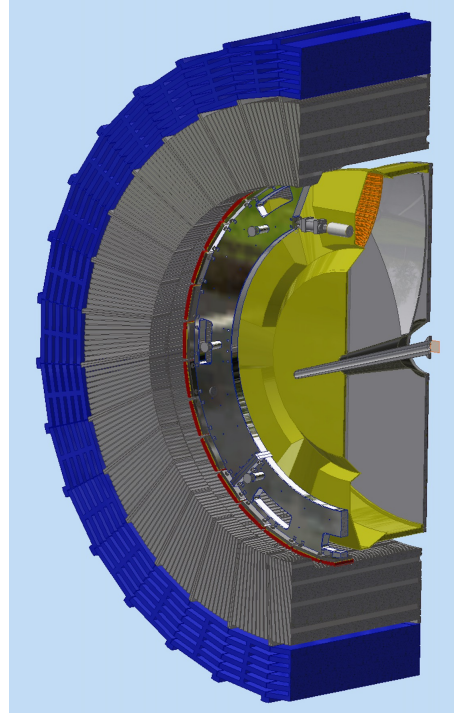
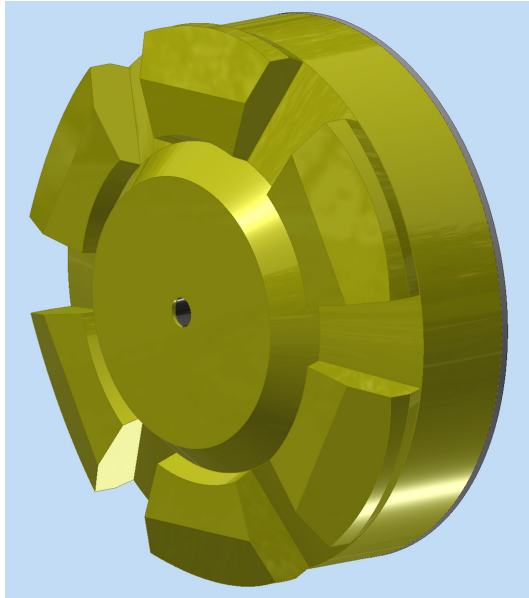
Simplified representation



3D mechanical model

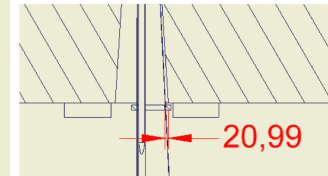


- $\Phi 3600$ mm x L1200 mm
- Operating pressure up to 200 Pa
- Operating temperature of 22 °C



Clearance vs support ring

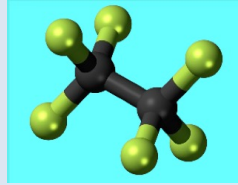
Clearance vs beam pipe



Windows: sandwich panel made of two ~ 1 mm carbon fiber reinforced epoxy skins separated by 30 mm PMI foam or Al honeycomb ($\sim 1\% X_0$)

Shells: 3 mm (inner tube) to 8 mm (outer tube) thick carbon fiber epoxy composite ($\sim 4\% X_0$)

Skins formed with two layers of balanced weave laminate with fibers at $0^\circ/90^\circ$ and $\pm 45^\circ$ for uniform stiffness



50 GeV/c pions and kaons shot at eta 2.5

Gas	Npe(pi /K)	Th_pi	Th_K	Sig_pi	Sig_K	N_Sig
C2F6	16.03/ 14.94	36.8	35.67	0.32	0.33	3.5
C4F10	24.8/2 3.8	48.63	47.8	0.29	0.30	2.8



Chromaticity

$$\Delta\theta = \theta_{\check{c}}(\lambda=300\text{nm}) - \theta_{\check{c}}(\lambda=600\text{nm})$$

$$\rho = \Delta\theta / \theta_{\check{c}}(\lambda=300\text{nm})$$

$$\rho_{\text{C2F6}} = 1.8\% ;$$

$$\rho_{\text{C4F10}} = 2.4\% ;$$

Assume dRICH volume $\sim 20 \text{ m}^3$

C_2F_6 density $5.73 \text{ Kg/m}^3 \rightarrow 114 \text{ kg}$

Initial minimal quantity $\sim 200 \text{ kg}$

$\sim 500 \text{ kg}$ could be enough for 10 yr of operation

Initial survey:

Several distributors contacted:
availability confirmed by two:

- SIAD S.p.A.
- Resonac Europe GmbH

Yearly leaks are difficult to estimate:

- Filling and recovery operations 6%
- Filtering and maintenance 3%
- Leaks 10%
- Sampling, analysis, etc. 2%

30 kg /yr emission $\rightarrow 300 \text{ tCO}_2 \text{ /yr}$

comparable to one intercontinental flight /yr

CERN new gas systems qualification standard:

Target Leak flow at reference conditions	<1*10 ⁻³ STD cc/s
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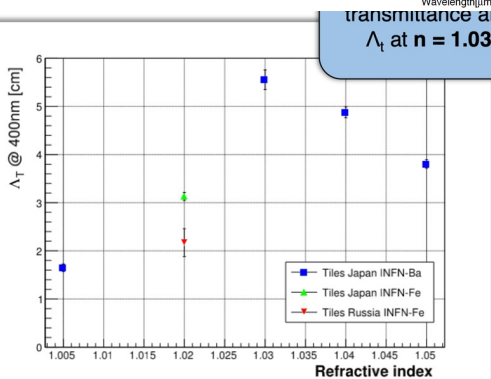
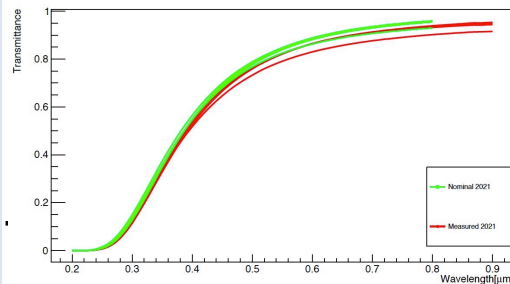
New standards should reduce significantly the losses and environmental impact

Aerogel Factory (BELLE-II)

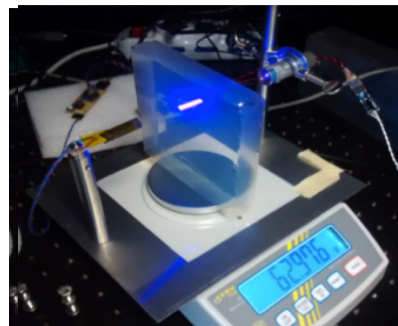
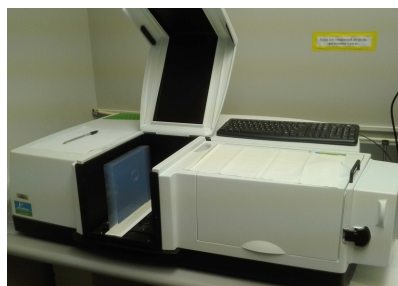
Initial evaluation & Reproducibility
on small samples in synergy with ALICE

Transmittance & Transflectance

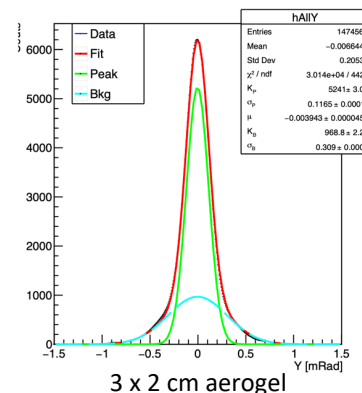
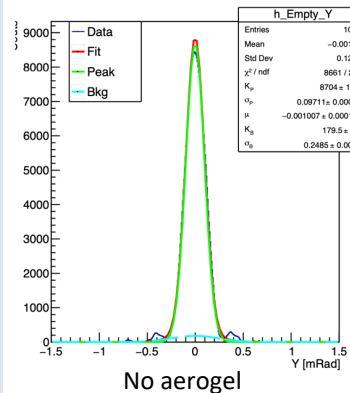
Nominal 2021 and measured 2021



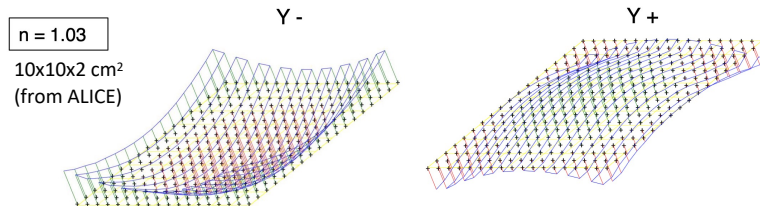
Density & refractive index



Laser spot bradening: Y profile



Touch Probe: planarity and thickness



CMA Carbon fiber mirrors (HERMES, AMS, LHCb, CLAS12)

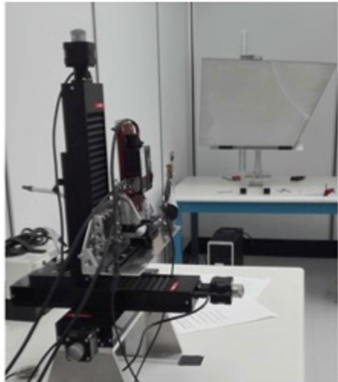
cost-effective light & stiff solution:

roughness driven by mandrel 1-2 nm rms

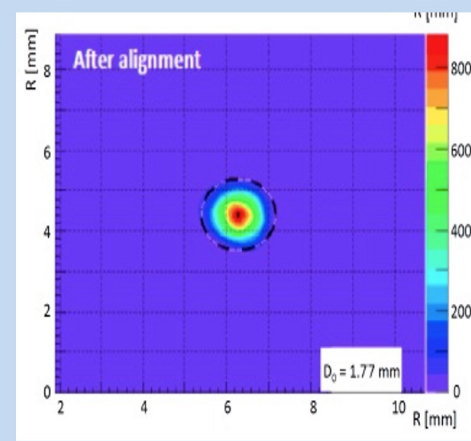
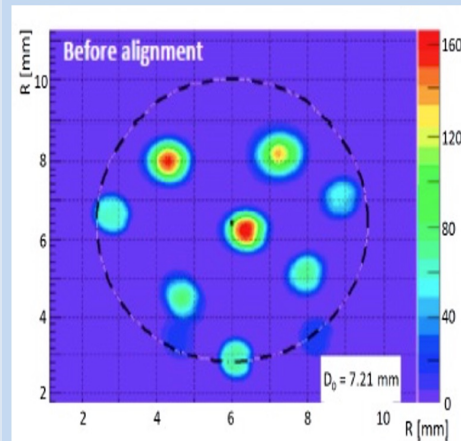
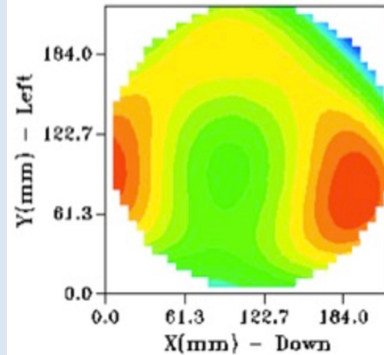
surface accuracy better than 0.2 mrad

radius reproducibility better than 1 %

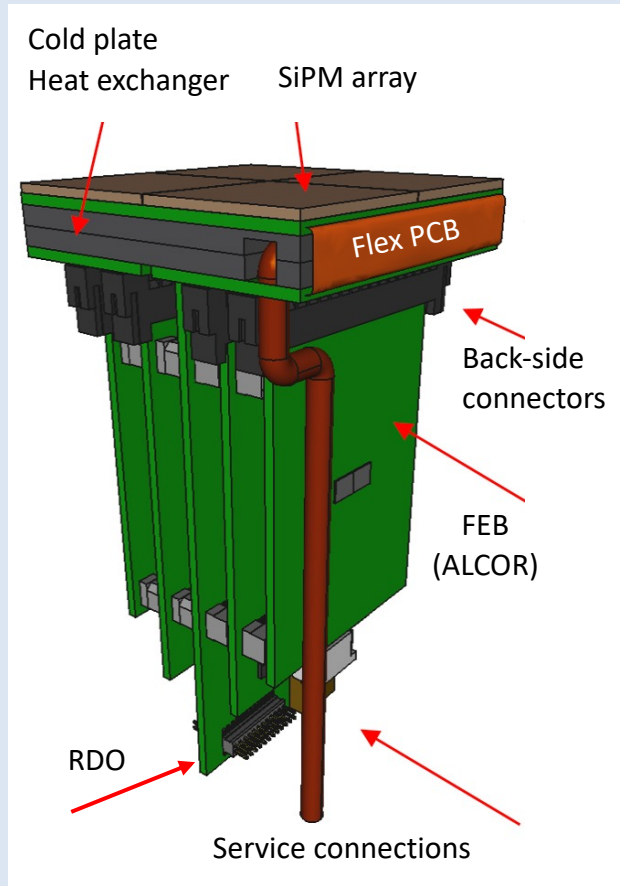
Surface Quality



Shack-Hartmann sensor
Mirror aberrations



CLAS12 RICH QA laboratory @ JLab being refurbished



Photon Detector Unit (PDU):

Compact to minimize space

4x **Hamamatsu S13361-3050HS** SiPM arrays

4x Front-End Boards (FEB)

1x Read-Out Board (RDO)

1x Cooling plate ($< -30\text{ C}$)

Active area is shaped to resemble the focal surface and best exploits the focalization

Detector box:

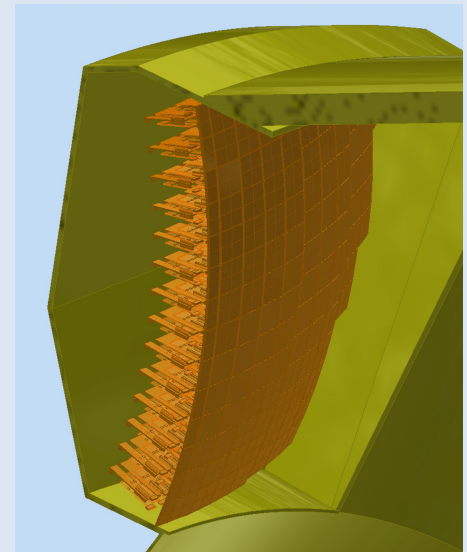
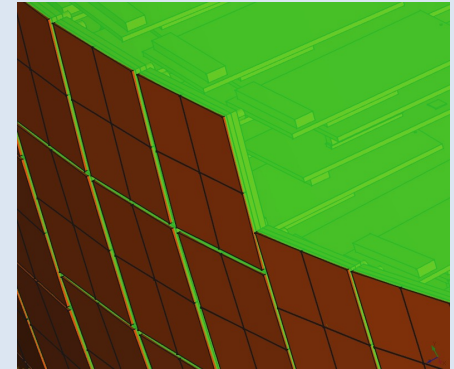
Shaped to fit the space

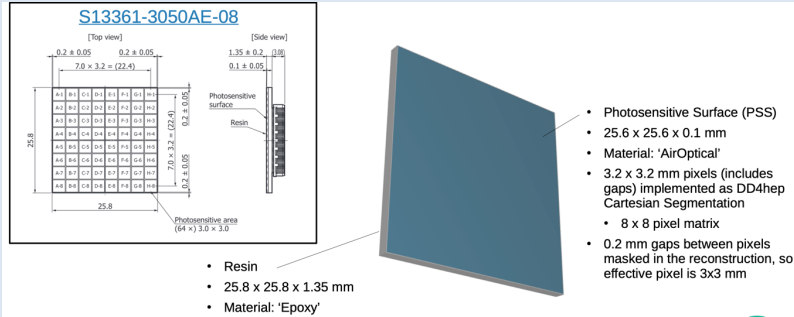
Quartz window

Cooling for sensors and electronics

Power distributing patch panel

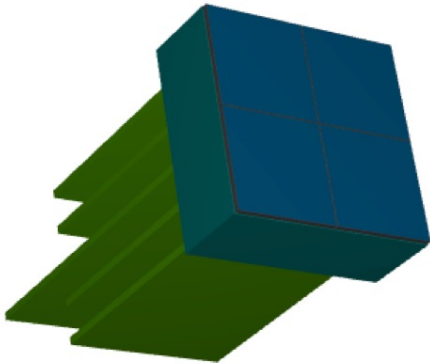
Heat insulation



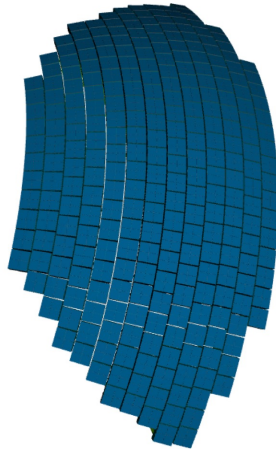


Realistic description accounting for material budget

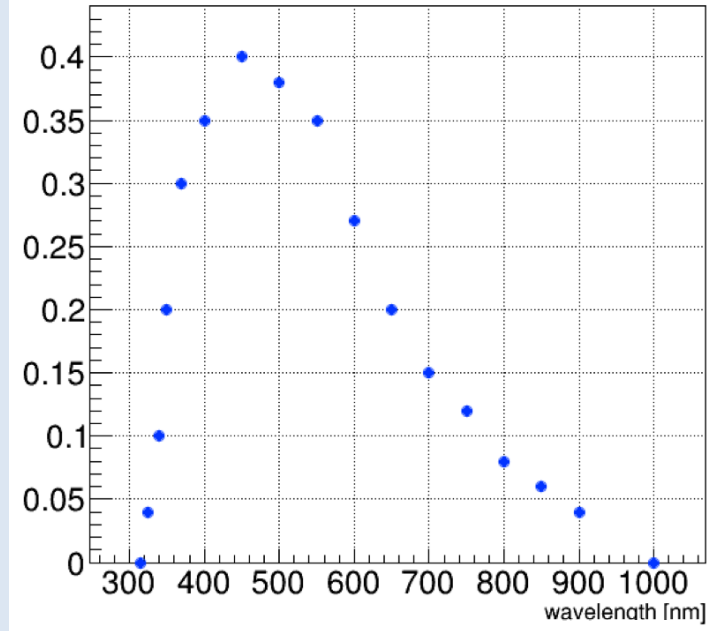
Angled view



Front view



Photon detection efficiency



Comparison DATA vs MC model

DATA: Aerogel Factory samples

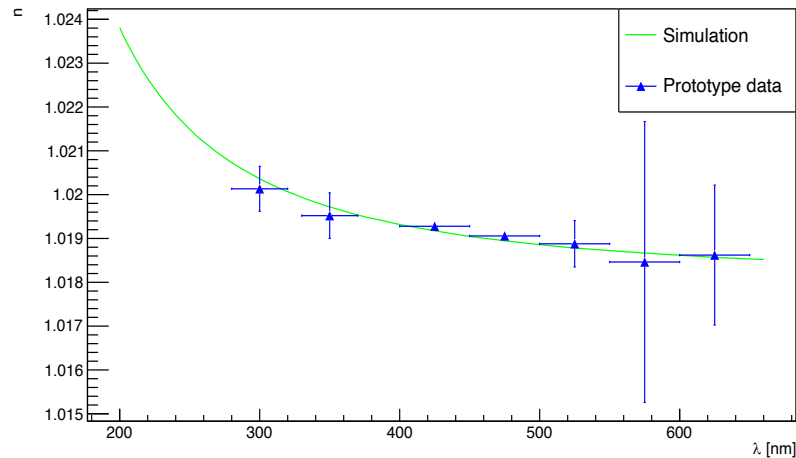
MC: EPIC parameterizaion

Chromatic dispersion
(major expected contribution to resolution)

Data from dRICH prototype

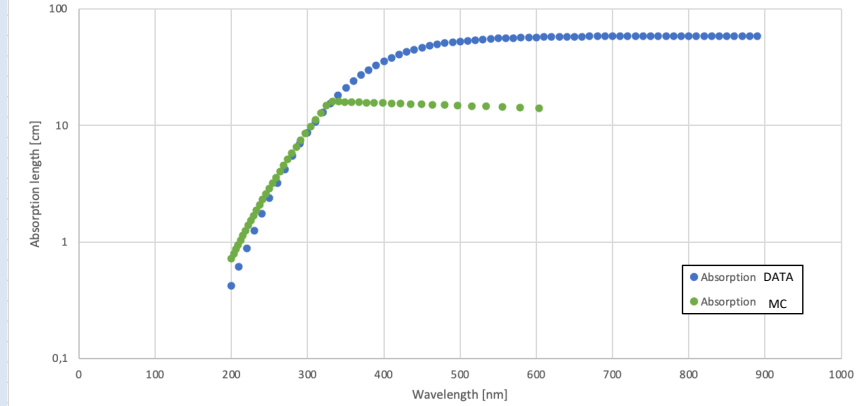


Refractive index



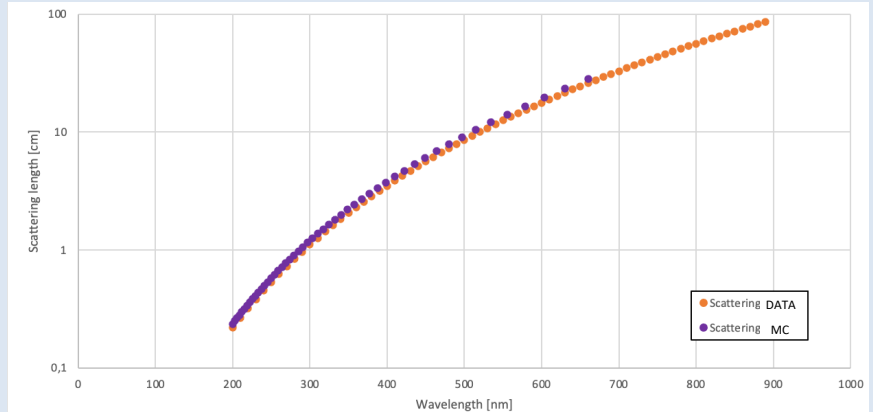
Absorption length

Data from INFN characterization



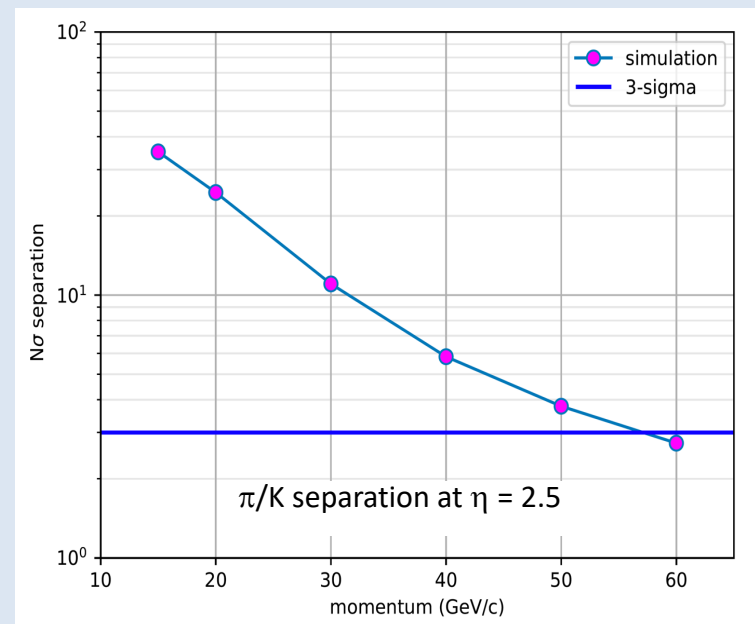
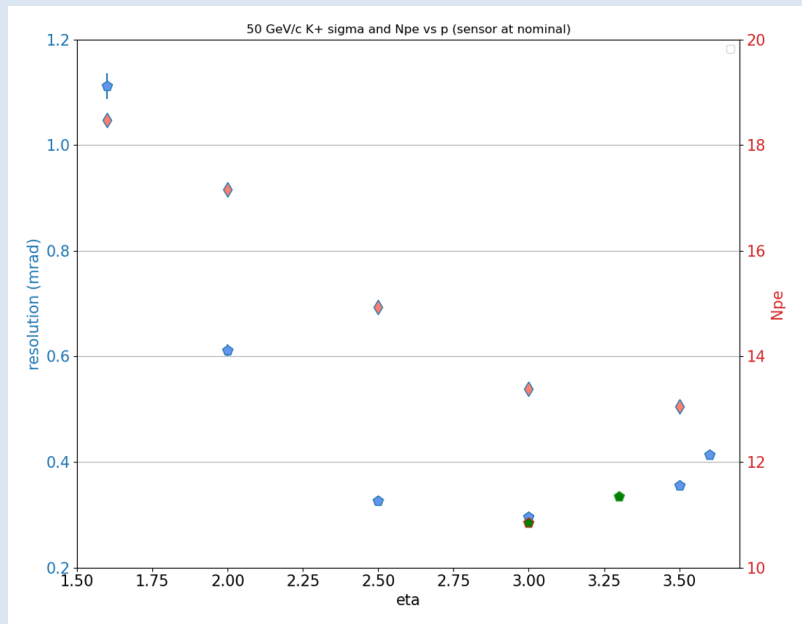
Scattering length

Data from INFN characterization

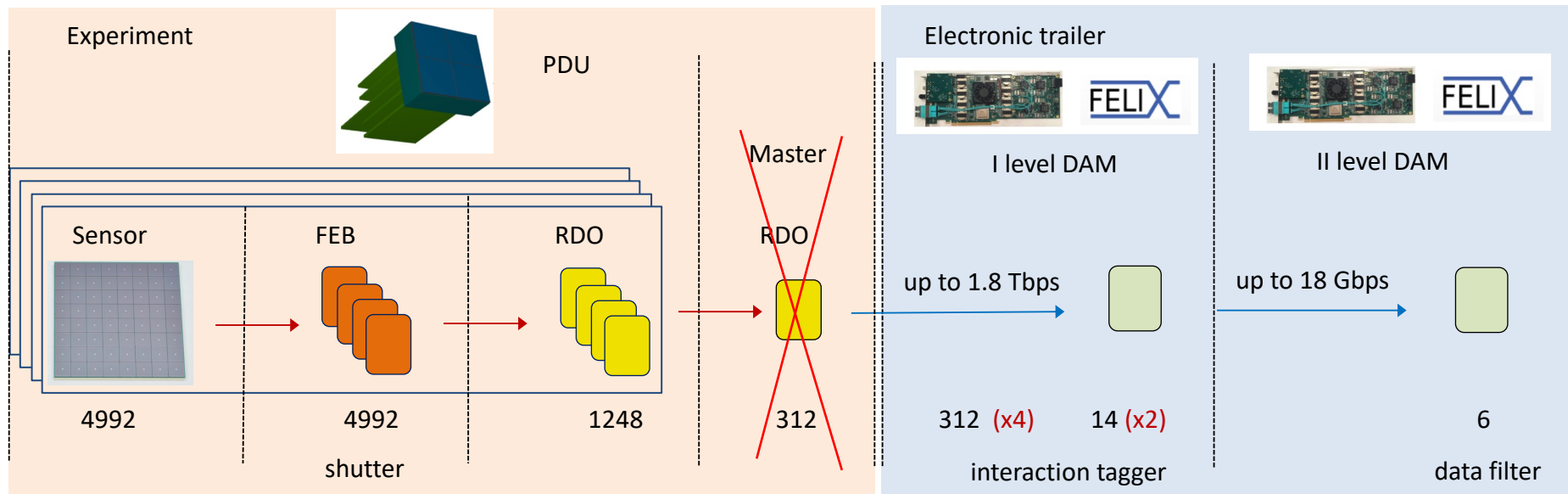


Preliminary reshaping provides 0.3-0.35 mrad resolution in the 2.5-3.5 rapidity range

This corresponds to $> 3\sigma$ separation at 50 GeV/c (magnetic field and track resolution accounted for)



Real optimization in progress accounting for the integration constraints



Reduce complexity at the detector level (spare space, custom boards, FPGA/SEU)

Maximise modularity (detector shaping) and **capability** (data stream)

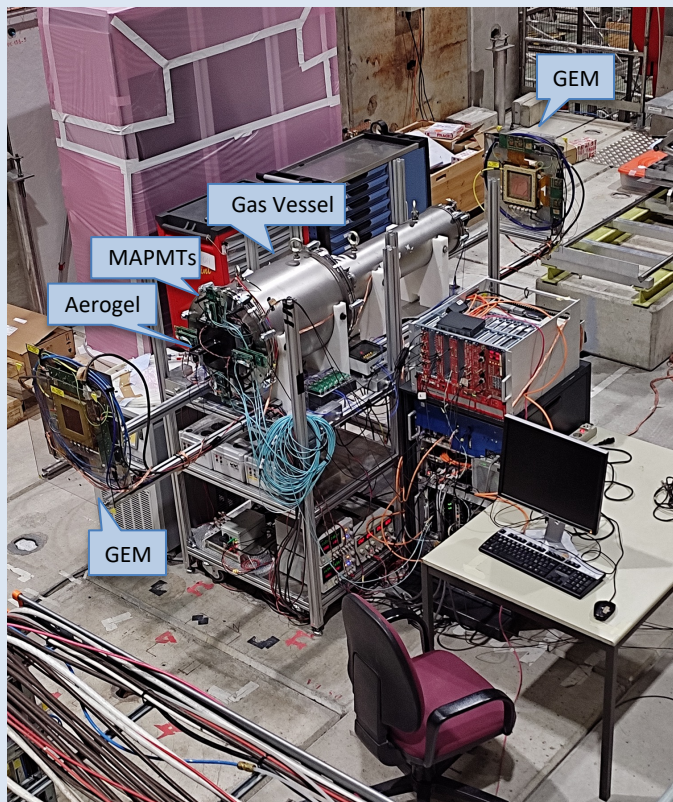
DAM Hierarchy: Maximum data rate capability till DAM-L1

Big data reduction at DAM-L1 with external input (2 μ s latency interaction tagger)

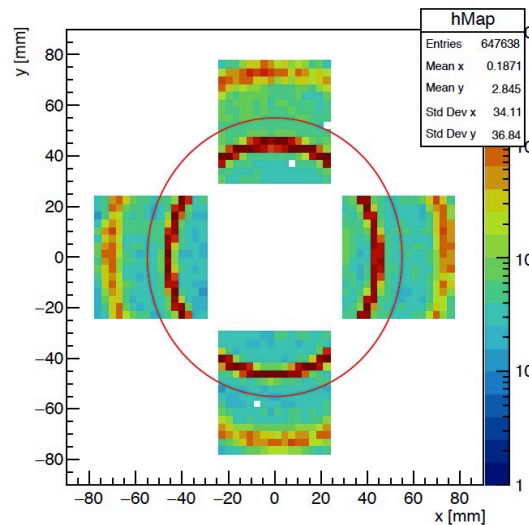
DAM-L2 data aggregation per sector allows for effective data-reduction algorithms

DAM-L1 might be eventually stored in the experimental Hall (rack enclosure)

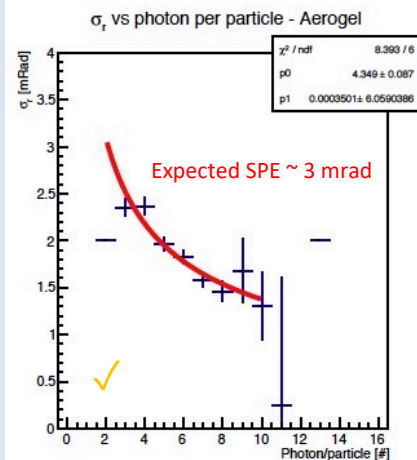
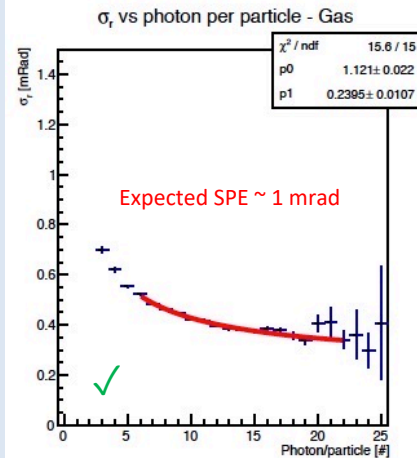
Operative prototype commissioned. Double ring imaging achieved. Performance in line with expectations except for aerogel single-photon angular resolution (worse by a factor ~ 1.5)



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



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



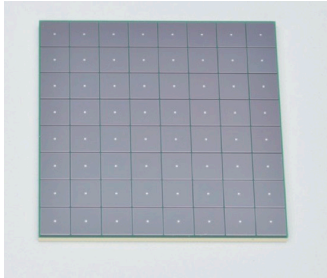
Realization of a suitable detector plane for the dRICH prototype (23/10): Design ready, procurement aligned to 2023 test-beam campaign.

Hamamatsu S13361-3050



8x8 array
50 μm cell
Excellent fill factor
Best DCR

S14160 alternative



MPPC arrays selected with irradiation campaign

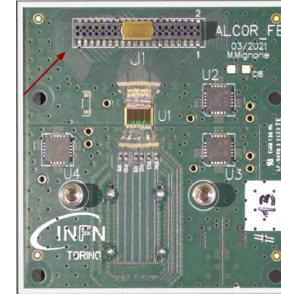
Front-end re-design completed

ALCOR v2 (better dynamic range and rate)

ToT architecture, streaming mode ready

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

ALCOR chip



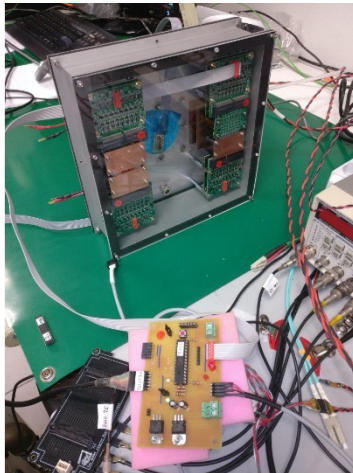
Multi-wafer run done

Version2:
32 channels
Extended dynamic range
Improved digital time

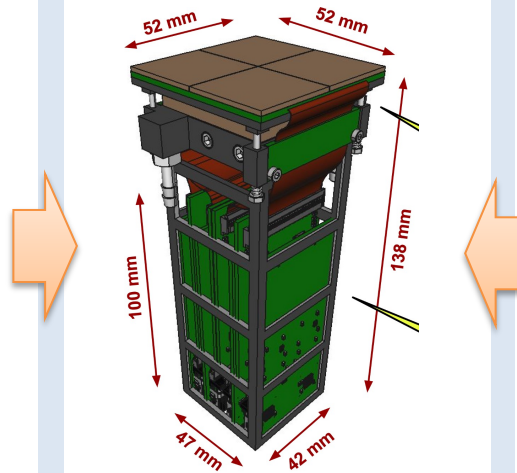
Integrated Cooling/ In-situ annealing



Cooling plate
Peltier cells
Annealing circuitry



New EIC-driven readout unit



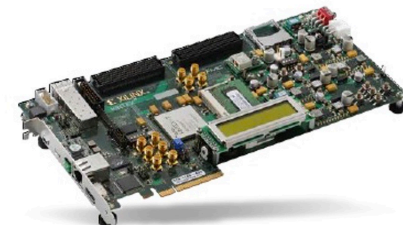
Streaming readout



2023:
1 RDO per chip

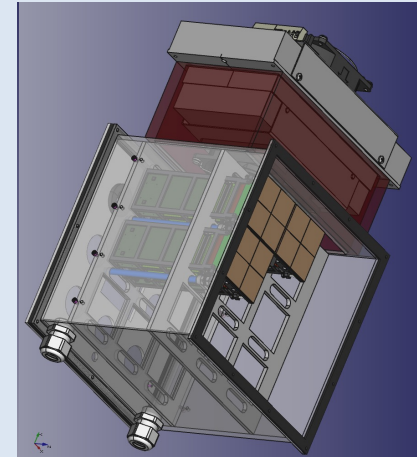
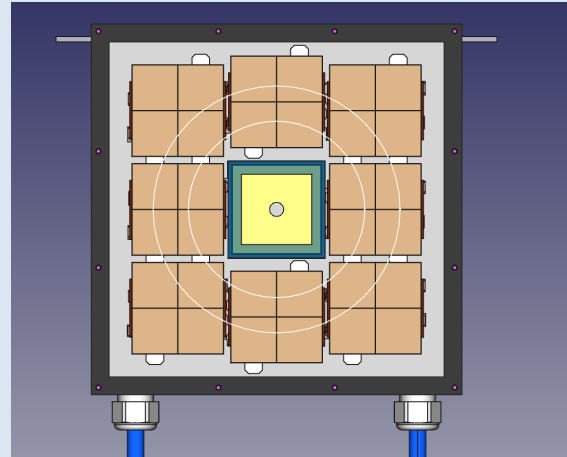
2024:
1 RDO per PDU

Development
Kit KC705



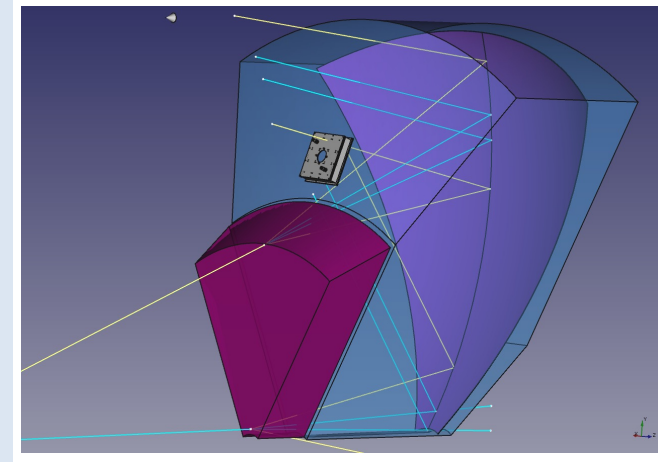
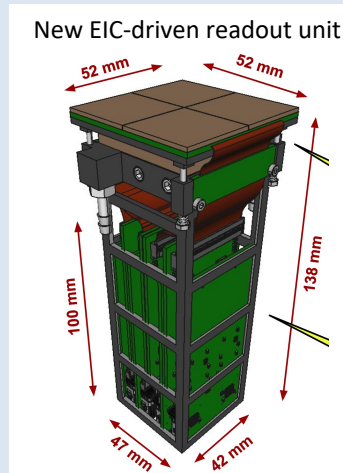
2023: EIC-driven detector plane

- ✓ Initial characterization of realistic aerogel and mirror components (23/04); ➡ Slide 10
- ✓ Projected performance of the baseline detector as integrated into EPIC (23/06); ➡ Slide 15
- ✓ Assessment of the dRICH prototype performance with the EIC-driven detection plane (23/10). ➡ Slide 19

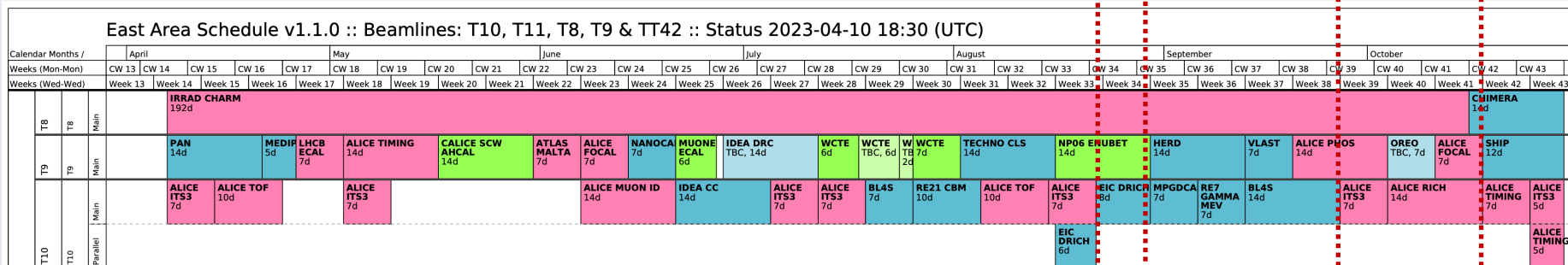


2024: Real-scale prototype for TDR

- Mechanical structure
- Realistic optics (off-axis)
- ALCOR64 FEB + RDO
- Aerogel and mirror demonstrator



PS T10



Main user

Goal: Aerogel study with reference readout
Preparation for October test-beam

August 21-27

Parasitic user (in conjunction with ALICE)
Goal: EIC-driven detector plane

October 5-18

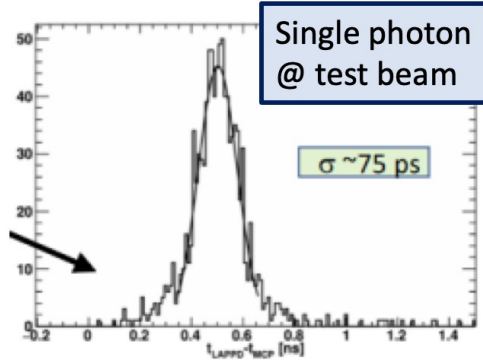
Component	Baseline	Optimization	Possible improvement
SiPM	Hamamatsu H13361-3050HS	75 μm cell FBK sensor HRPPD	Larger PDE Better time resolution Risk reduction for sensor technology
Aerogel radiator	Aerogel Factory $n=1.02$	Refractive index Tile dimensions Tsinghua aerogel	Increase photon yield Reduce edge effects Risk reduction for single vendor
Gas radiator	SIAD C_2F_6	Gas mixture Early procurement Pressurized vessel	Reduced environment impact (global warming) Limit dependence on market & regulations Inert (noble) gas, dynamic range
Mechanics	Tecnavan Carbon fiber composite	Al composite	Cost reduction
Mirrors	CMA Carbon fiber composite	Mold material Different core structure Tessellation	Better shape quality vs cost
Cooling	Al plate	Carbon foam plate	Reduce material budget

LAPPD/HRPPD versions (limited to the ones of interest for us)

identifier	active surface	pore diameter	anode coupling	notes
	(cm ²)	(μm)		
LAPPD-generation 2	20 x 20	20	capaciively coupled (resistive!)	used at October 2022 test beam (what could be available in those days)
LAPPD-generation 2	20 x 20	10	capaciively coupled (resistive!)	presently in TS, to be used for mag. field studies (smaller pore for improved time resolution and improved mag.field performance)
HRPPD, preliminary	10 x 10	10	DC-coupling	NO gap between the 2 MCP layers, presently used at BNL
HRPPD, finalized	10 x 10	10	DC-coupling	5 of them will become available in Jan 2024 , 1 should come to TS

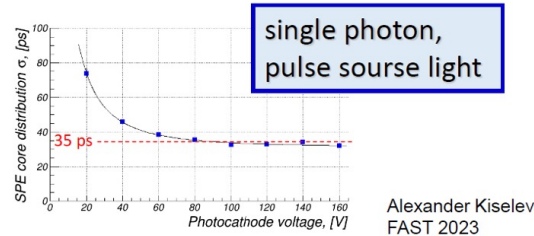
defined during the visit
at INCOM premises, Jan 2023

From test beam (oct.2022)

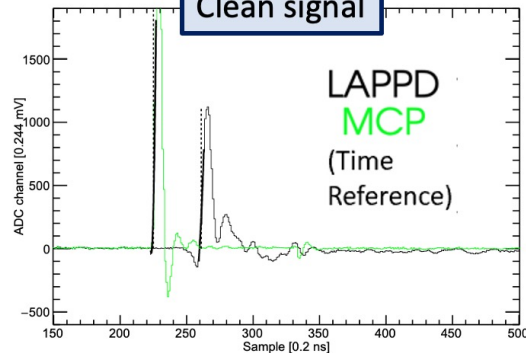


For completeness,
from preliminary HRPPD with 10 μ m pores

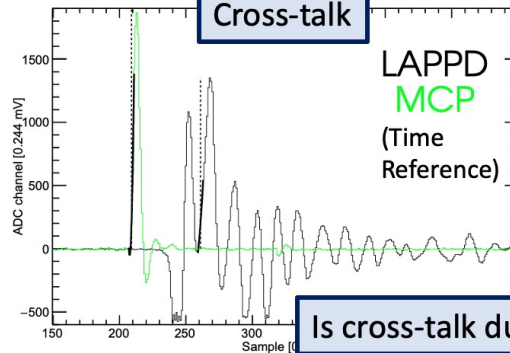
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Clean signal



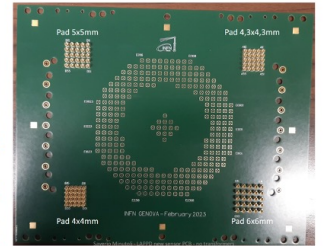
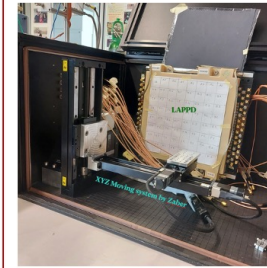
Cross-talk



Is cross-talk due to PCB layout ?

In the lab,

- thanks to a new PCB with no transmission line crossing
- Thanks to the Motorized XYZ System



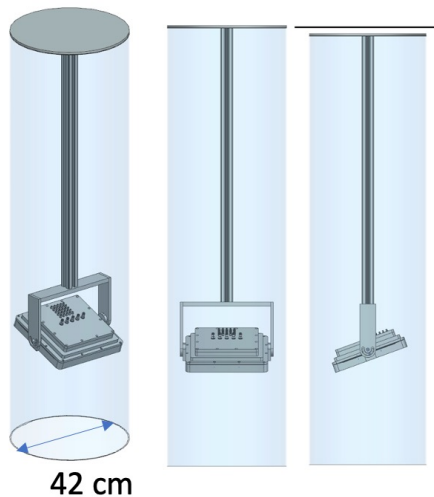
Cross-talk is observed

- Intrinsic in resistive LAPPD
- Resistive LAPPD not usable at the experiment (large signals by through-going MIPs)

Brand NEW RESULT

2023

- Compact dark box for studies in mag field
- Possibility to rotate the box for various LAPPD orientation
- Measurements in autumn for LAPPD gen. 2 with 10 μm pore



Teslameter being acquired



Analog Magnetic Field
Transducers

2024

- Repeat measurements in magnetic field using the final HRPPD
- Study the still open question:
 - HRPPD ageing after large integral of light detection (lab studies)

Idea: get rid of greenhouse gas and work with Ar at high pressure (+1.5 bar)

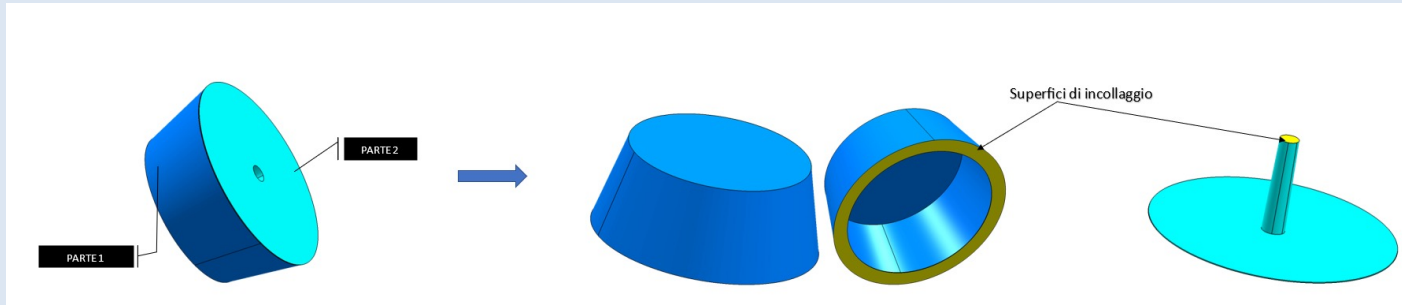
Advanced Composite Solutions
(visited beginning of February)

Start with a 1:10 carbon fiber mockup

Mockup expected by the end of the month

Sealing test at ACS

Over-pressure tests planned at LNS



Goal: Consolidate the baseline configuration

Global layout: optimize the performance (acceptance, resolution) within EPIC
conjugate physics requirements with mechanical constraints

Mechanics: assess the feasibility of the over-pressure case

Readout: develop an EIC-driven detector plane based on SiPM + ALCORv2
define a sustainable streaming readout architecture

Aerogel: organize an common R&D among the EIC RICH detectors

Mirrors: validate carbon-fiber technology

Prototype: evolve into EIC-driven technology solutions (from reference to realistic components)
organize a new test-beam campaign

dRICH Construction Schedule

EIC - Working File



Data Date: 02-Jan-20

EIC - Activities with Gantt

TASK filter: WBS Path 06.10.04.02.

WBS Path	Activity ID	Activity Name	Original Duration	Start	Finish																																																				
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Project: ECE06 EIC - Working File			1797	01-Oct-21	12-Dec-28																																																				
WBS: ECE06.10 EIC Detector			1797	01-Oct-21	12-Dec-28																																																				
WBS: ECE06.10.04 Particle Identification (PID)			1797	01-Oct-21	12-Dec-28																																																				
WBS: ECE06.10.04.02 Dual Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector (dRICH)			1797	01-Oct-21	12-Dec-28																																																				
10.04.02	EIPICH_I_FY22	6.10.04.02 - EIPICH - FY22 Labor Actuals	250	01-Oct-21	30-Sep-22																																																				
10.04.02	E1004_20000	PDR - Preliminary Design, Beam Test & Assessment (dRICH)	110	03-Oct-22	15-Mar-23																																																				
10.04.02	E1004_20010	Prototyping (dRICH)	313	03-Oct-22	05-Jan-24																																																				
10.04.02	E1004_20020	Specifications 100% Defined for 3A Procurement (dRICH)	0		31-Oct-22																																																				
10.04.02	E1004_20030	PDR_Preliminary Design Complete (dRICH)	0		15-Mar-23																																																				
10.04.02	E1004_20040	FDR - Final Design & Finalize dRICH Design with All Required Services (dRICH)	109	16-Mar-23	17-Aug-23																																																				

SiPM

10.04.02	E1004_20580	AWARD: Photo Sensors (dRICH)	1	02-Oct-23	03-Oct-23	
10.04.02	E1004_20660	AWARD: SiPMs Cooling System (dRICH)	1	02-Oct-23	03-Oct-23	
10.04.02	E1004_20730	AWARD: Mirror Alignment System (dRICH)	1	02-Oct-23	03-Oct-23	
10.04.02	E1004_20800	AWARD: Cooling System (dRICH)	1	02-Oct-23	03-Oct-23	
10.04.02	E1004_20590	VENDOR EFFORT: Photo Sensors (dRICH)	360	03-Oct-23	17-Mar-25	
10.04.02	E1004_20080	Write SiPMs Requisition (dRICH)	0		31-Dec-24	◆
10.04.02	E1004_20090	SiPMs Procurement Effort with Technical Support (dRICH)	410	02-Jan-25	19-Aug-26	
10.04.02	E1004_20630	RCV: Photo Sensors (dRICH)	1	17-Mar-25	18-Mar-25	

Aerogel

10.04.02	E1004_20530	AWARD: Aerogel (dRICH)	1	02-May-25	02-May-25	<div></div>
10.04.02	E1004_20320	Test & Q.C. First Article Mirror (Includes Developing Test Plan) (dRICH)	115	05-May-25	16-Oct-25	<div></div>
10.04.02	E1004_20490	VENDOR EFFORT: C2F6 Gas Recovery System (dRICH)	180	05-May-25	23-Jan-26	<div></div>
10.04.02	E1004_20540	VENDOR EFFORT: Aerogel (dRICH)	500	05-May-25	04-May-27	<div></div>

Installation

10.04.02	E1004_20260	Ready for Installation (dRICH) (BNL)	0		09-May-28	
10.04.02	E1004_20140	SiPMT & SiPMT Test, Final Acceptance (dRICH)	20	13-Nov-28	12-Dec-28	
10.04.02	E1004_20130	SiPMT & SiPMT PCBoard Vendor Delivery (dRICH)	1	12-Dec-28	12-Dec-28	
10.04.02	E1004_20150	Ready for Installation (dRICH)	0		12-Dec-28	

Commercial
Examples:

Power supply

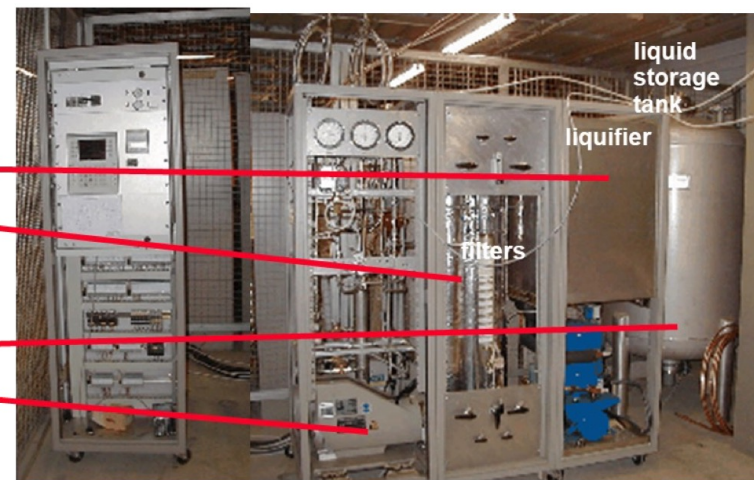
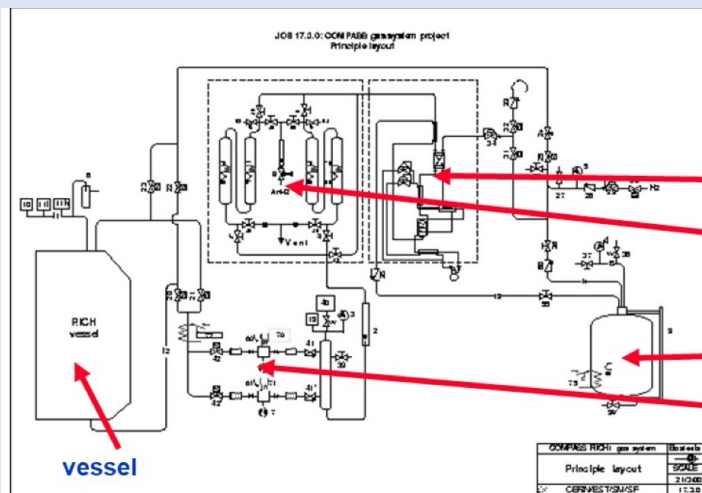


Cooling plants

General & Temperature Control		huber	
Temperature range	-55...250 °C		
Temperature stability	±0,01 K		
Heating / cooling capacity			
Heating capacity	6 kW		
Cooling capacity		250	200
		100	20
		0	-20
		-40	-50
		°C	
		6	6
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		4,2	1,5
		0,65	0,65
		kW	kW

Existing systems
& standards:

COMPASS
 C_4F_{10} recirculating
and purging system



1 year typical C_2F_6 losses would correspond to 1 intercontinental flight CO_2 emission
requires to minimize losses in the recirculating system

About 2-2.5 kW per detector box
requires liquid cooling, air circulation + interlock

On-site annealing requires single-sensor temperature (optical) control

Low-T coolant circuit (down to -50 C) requires proper circuit and insulation

Thin transparent septa require delta-pressure control and safety diaphragm

- Aerogel: Refractive index, dimensions, defects, transmittance
organized within RICH Consortium (INFN-FE, INFN-BA, CERN, Temple)
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YpN7gx85JjoQnoB9NbID61N9B1YhRGwBh2GIKZ2ST-0/edit>
- Mirror: Dimensions, shape accuracy, radius, reflectivity
JLab existing test laboratory with INFN-equipment, DUKE laboratory
- Sensors: Electrical connections, quench resistor, I-V characteristics, DCR, relative PDE
Test stations in Italy (INFN-BO, INFN-FE, INFN-CS)
- Front-end: Electrical connections, time jitter, ToT characteristics
Test stations in Italy (INFN-BO, INFN-TO)
- Gas: Performance with prototype, transparency, contaminants
CERN

Detector response:

LED/laser system (sensor response and mirror alignment)

Dark count rate monitor

Single-photon time over threshold

Time calibration:

Absolute time with respect bunch crossing and Forward TOF

Time intercalibration: photons hits from the same event

Particle identification:

Control particle samples (identified by other systems)

Known meson decays (K_S , Λ , Φ)