# **Cosmic Ray Tagger for GRAIN**



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### **ARTIC** setup



**Facility to test the imaging of charged particle tracks** (and interaction vertexes), thanks to the scintillation light in liquid Ar, by using lenses or coded masks coupled with SiPM matrices





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## **Cosmic Ray Tagger (CRT) for ARTIC**



### CRT GOALS:

- Trigger for the LAr acquisition (fourfold coincidence)
- Two-view tracking to help the LAr event reconstruction



**<u>Trigger condition</u>**: Fourfold coincidence

#### CRT DESIGN:

**TOP** (48 cm x 48 cm active surface) 16 bars x 2 orthogonal planes:

- 8 bars (48 x 4 x 1) cm<sup>3</sup>

- 8 bars (48 x 2 x 1) cm<sup>3</sup>

**BOTTOM** (32 cm x 32 cm)

12 bars x 2 orthogonal planes:

- 4 bars (32 x 4 x 1) cm<sup>3</sup>

- 8 bars (32 x 2 x 1) cm<sup>3</sup>





**SCINTILLATORS:** Saint Gobain BC-408

#### **READ OUT:**

6x6 mm<sup>2</sup> SiPMs Hamamatsu S14160-6050HS 14331 pixels and 50 μm pitch



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# Scintillator bars configuration and readout



Preliminary configuration to define the optimal shape, wrapping, number of readout channels and end-caps



### CAEN FERS - DT5202



### Output signal (NIM/TTL) for LAr setup trigger

Binary output — I





## **Preliminary test**





Higher rate when the wrapping with Mylar is considered

Indication of better efficiency in light reflection and propagation

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although more studies are needed

to completely exclude the use of reflective painting

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# Optimized scintillator bars configuration



From the previous tests  $\rightarrow$  **Wrapping with Mylar**+Teflon+Black tape

From 2 SiPMs to **1 SiPM per bar**, with one end shaped as a light guide

**New 3D printed end caps** to follow the light guide shape and to accommodate a custom PCB and the SiPM

Mechanics design + ongoing realization



### **UNDER TEST**

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# CRT for GRAIN full scale prototype @LNL











 $\Phi = 2132 \text{ mm}$ l = 2270 mm



Low expected rate for quasi-horizontal muons

#### **Evaluation of alternative configurations:**

- Selection of different angles by placing the scintillators on different levels of the mechanical support (if 41.4° < θ < 55.7° the rate is ~ 500 events/h);
- Larger CRT (e.g., 1 m long bars);

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# Summary and conclusions



- **Preliminary** design **scintillator bars** instrumented and **tested**
- Decision to proceed with **1 SiPM per bar** and **one end shaped as a light guide** 
  - 3D printed end-caps with housing for SiPM and custom PCB
  - Software to decode the binary data from the CAEN FERS board
    - **Design of support mechanics** for the full ARTIC CRT
  - Ongoing tests on a few optimized bars and preparation of additional bars
    - Improve the **software** implementing also the **trigger logic**
- Realization CRT for the GRAIN full scale prototype at LNL (under design)





WORK IN PROGRESS

### **FUTURE PLANS**



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