

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

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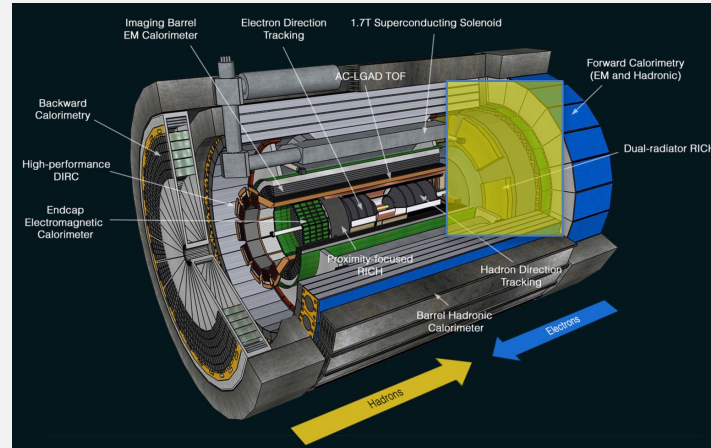


BA, BO, CS, CT, FE,
GE, LNS, RM1,
RM2, SA, TO, TS



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Forward particle detection

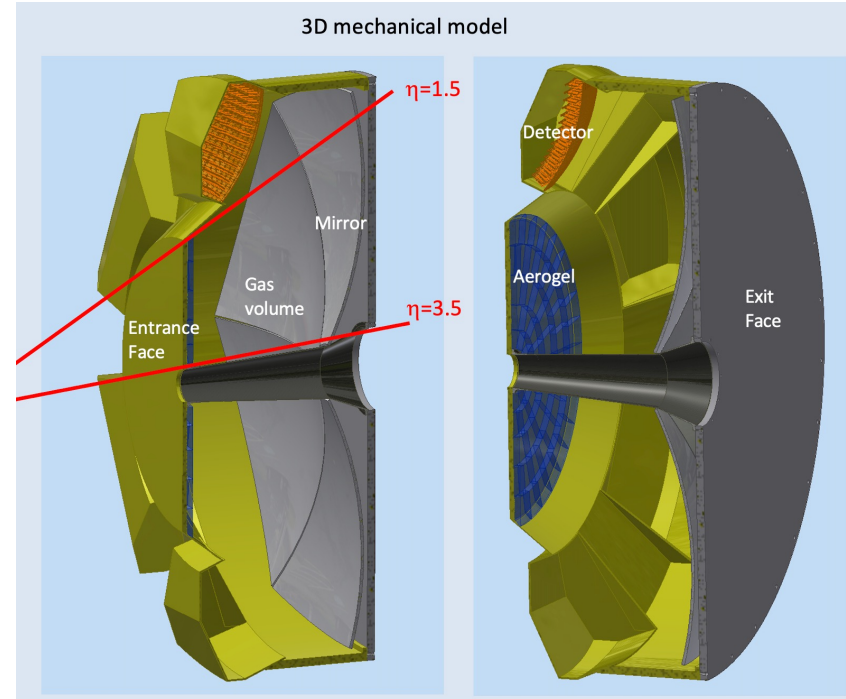
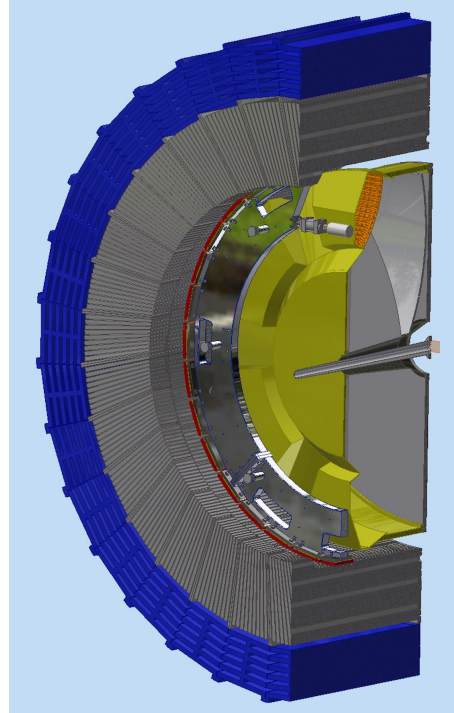
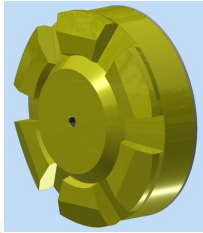
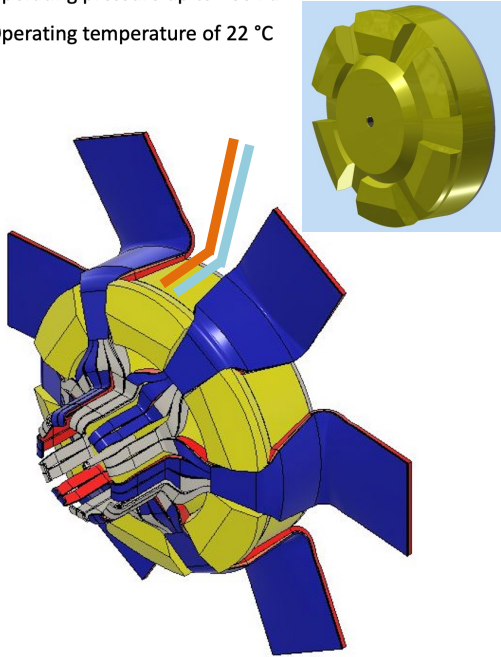
Hadron ID in the extended 3-50 GeV/c

Support electron ID up to 15 GeV/c

Main challenges:

Cover wide momentum range 3 - 50 GeV/c -> dual radiator
 Work in high (~ 1T) magnetic field -> SiPM
 Fit in a quite limited (for a gas RICH) space -> curved detector

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



Acceptance: defined by pipe and barrel ecal
minimize material budget with the use of composite materials

Interferences: material budget concentrated behind the barrel ecal and its support ring
readout electronics design in order to minimize the detector box volume

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**

High-Pressure **Level-5**

Simulation

CAM from Project

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

Work packages lead from EPIC

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Possible work packages not yet active

Detector box **Level-5**

Gas purging **Level-5**

Cooling **Level-5**

Slow Control **Level-5**

Interlock **Level-5**

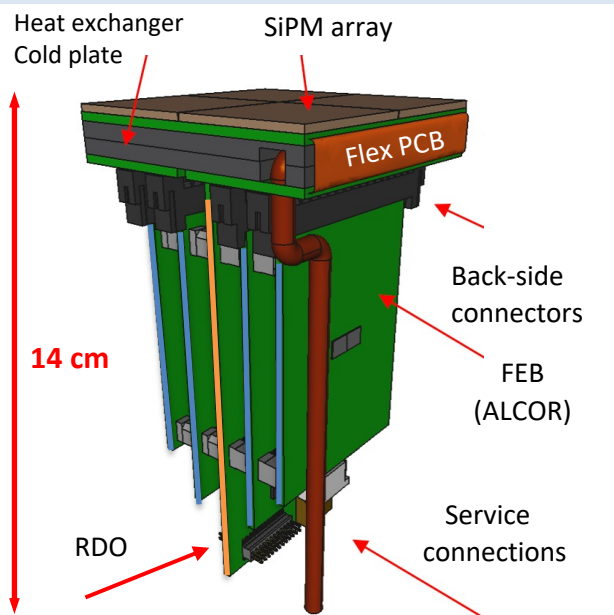
Alignment **Level-5**

Power Supply **Level-5**

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Moving from R&D ('25 & '26, EU based with eRD102/eRD109 support) to construction phase

	INFN	Shared	DOE
Mechanics	Detector box (FE, LNS)	Vessel (FE, LNS) Insulation (TS)	Aerogel & mirror supports (JLab) Installation tools (JLab/BNL)
Photo-detector	Sensors (BO,CS,SA,CT,TS) PDU (cool plate) (BO)		
Readout	ALCOR (TO) FEB (TO) Master Panel (FE)		
DAQ	RDO (BO)	Data stream (GE, RM1, RM2)	DAM (BNL)
Radiators	Aerogel (BA)		Gas (BNL) Aerogel QA (Temple, BNL)
Mirror			Mirror (JLab/Duke) Coating (Duke)
Services		Gas Plant (BNL)	Cooling Plant (BNL) Power Plant (BNL)
Monitors	Gas monitor (TS)	Slow Control/Interlock LED+Laser	



Photon Detector Unit (PDU):

Compact to minimize space

4x Hamamatsu S13361-3050HS SiPM arrays

4x Front-End Boards (FEB)

4x ALCOR chip (ToT discrimination)

4x Annealing Circuitry

1x Read-Out Board (RDO)

1x Cooling plate (< -30 C)

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

Detector box:

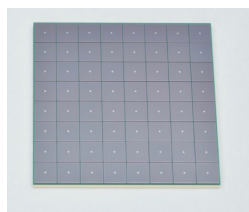
Shaped to fit the space

Quartz window

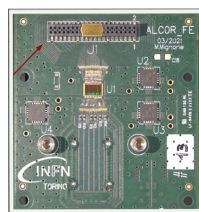
Cooling for sensors and electronics

Power distributing patch panel

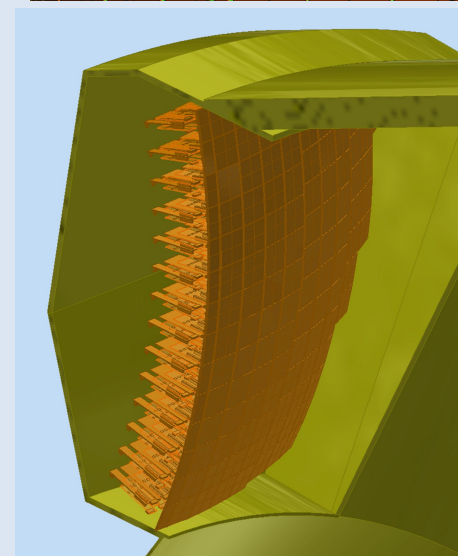
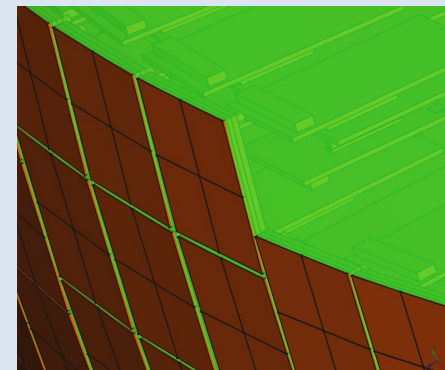
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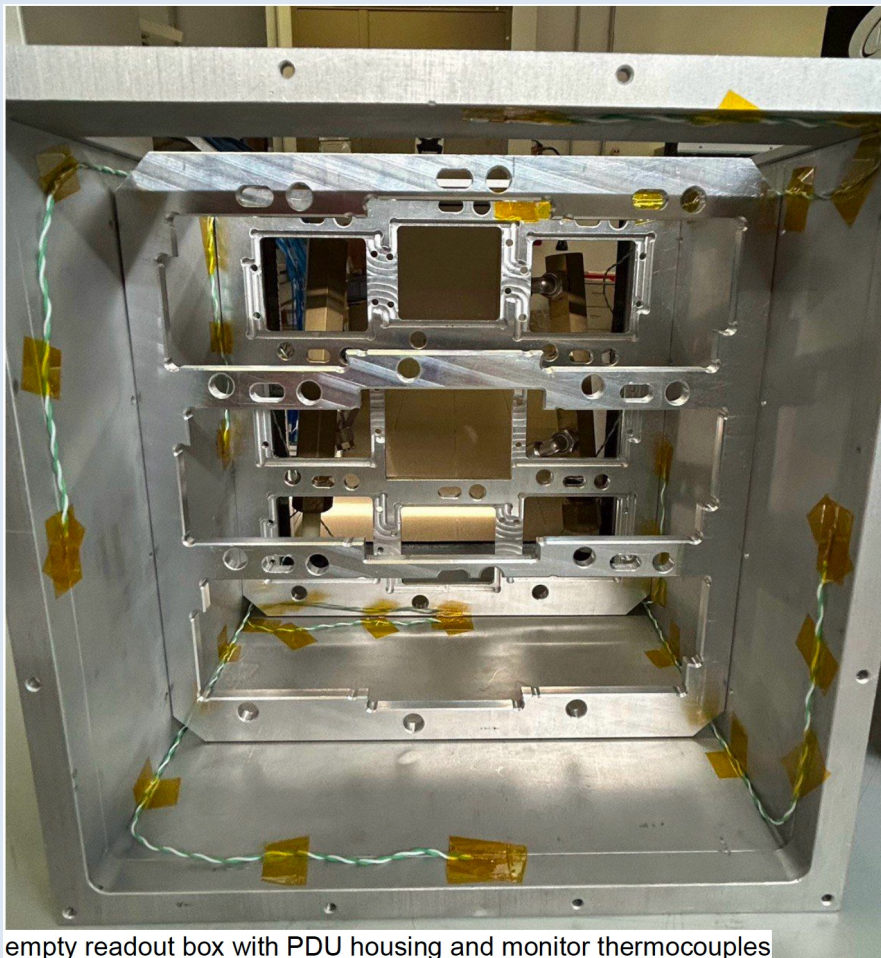


SiPM array

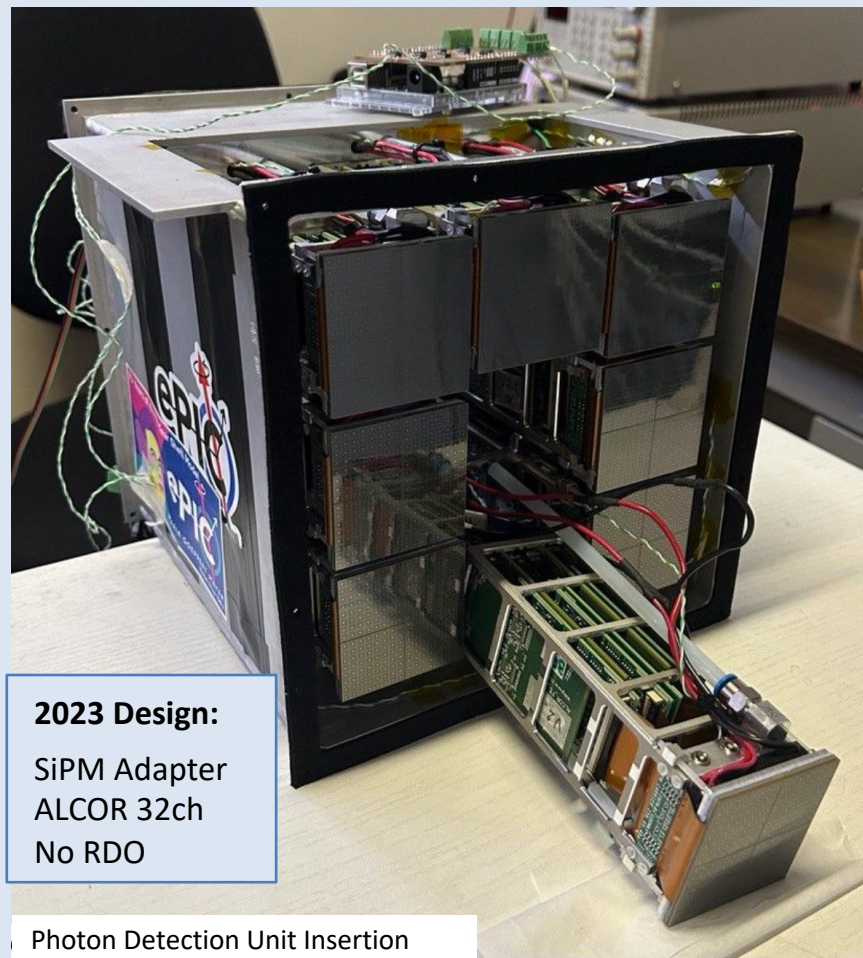


ALCOR chip





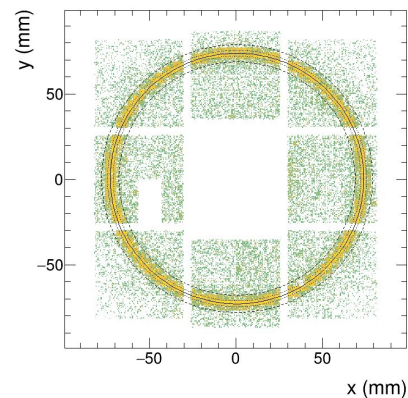
empty readout box with PDU housing and monitor thermocouples



2023 Design:

SiPM Adapter
ALCOR 32ch
No RDO

Photon Detection Unit Insertion

Successful campaign:**Mixed hadron beam 2-11 GeV/c****Various aerogel samples (1.020-1.026)****Two gas radiators (C_2F_6 , C_4F_{10})****Two SiPM working points (-40 C and -20 C)****Two tracking systems (GEM & SciFi)****Many optical filters****Beam line Cherenkov tagging****Temperature monitor**

$$X_0 = 0.72 \pm 0.01 \text{ mm}$$

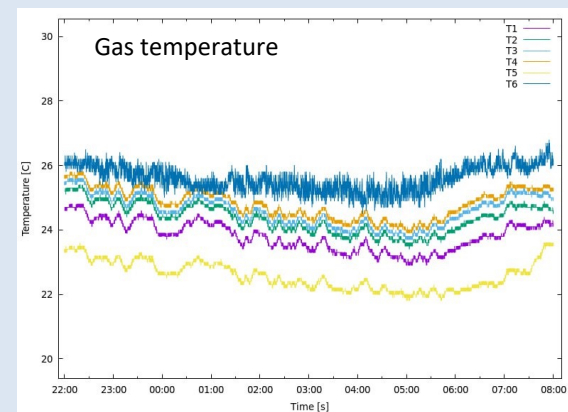
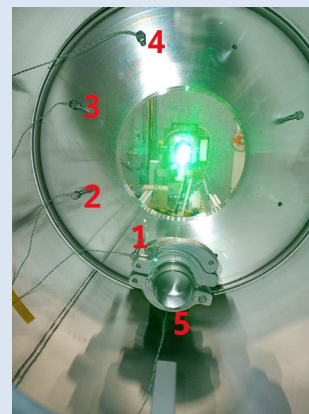
$$Y_0 = 0.50 \pm 0.01 \text{ mm}$$

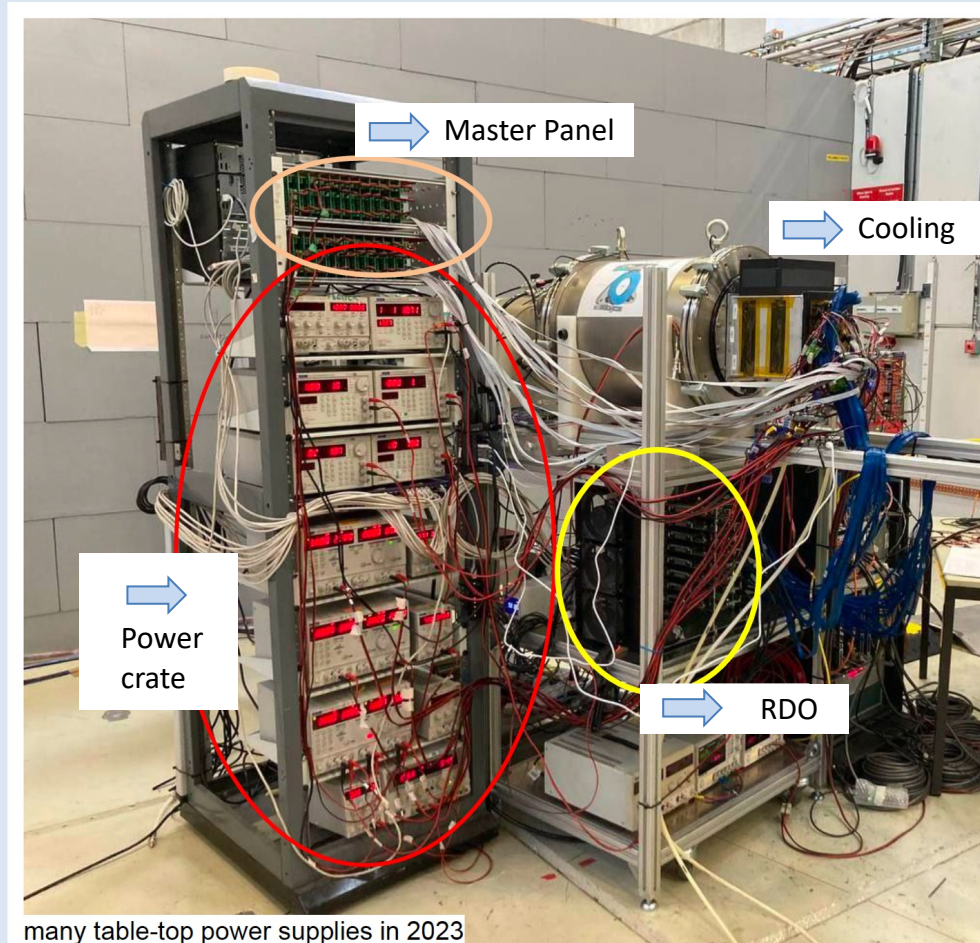
$$R = 73.42 \pm 0.01 \text{ mm}$$

$$\sigma_R = 1.68 \pm 0.01 \text{ mm}$$

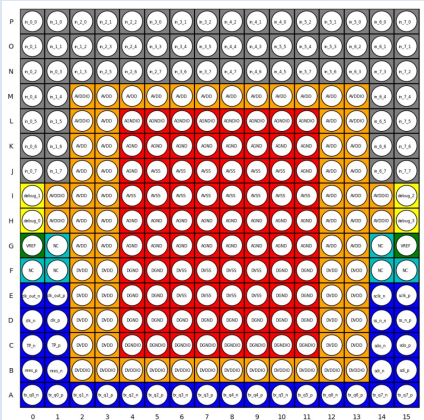
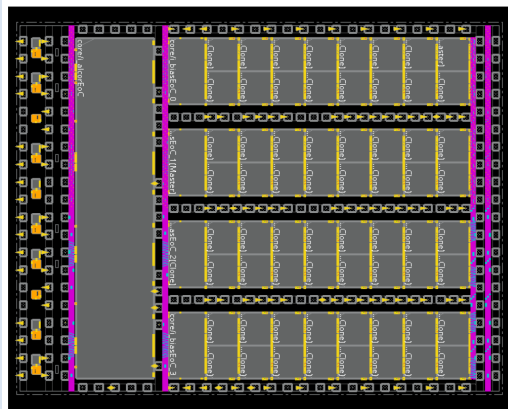
$$N_{\text{sig}} = 20.12 \pm 0.09$$

$$N_{\text{bkg}} = 12.55 \pm 0.10$$

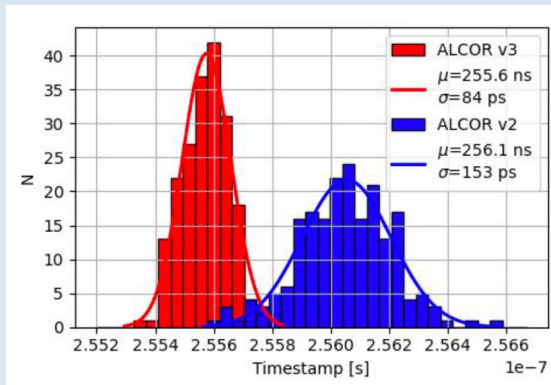
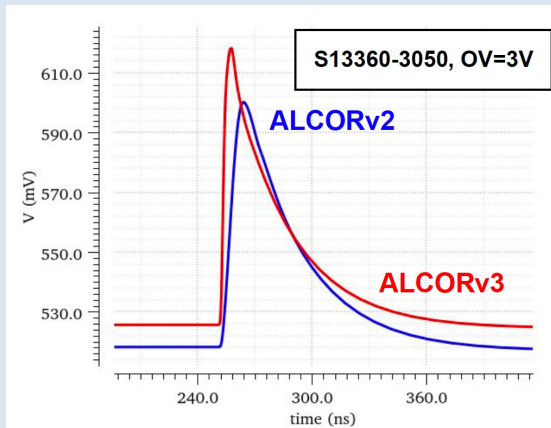




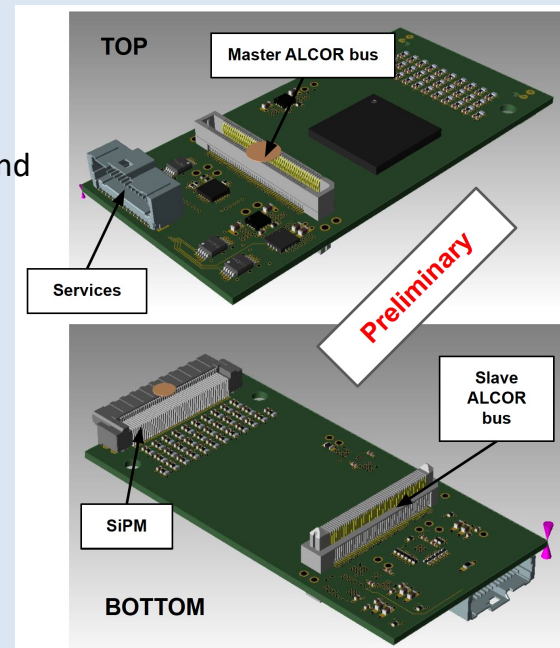
ALCORv64 digitizing chip



Improvements



Font-End Board

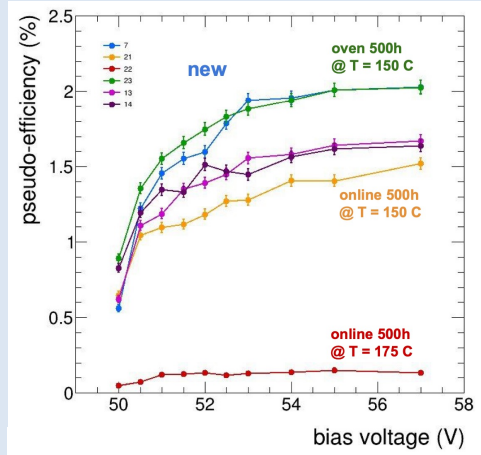
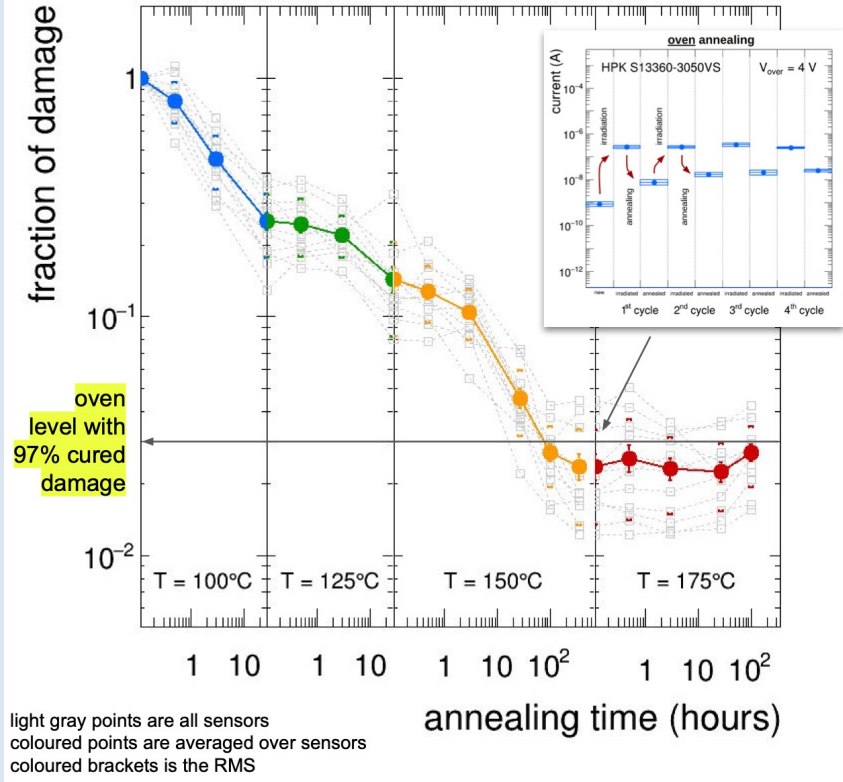


R&D program (TO):

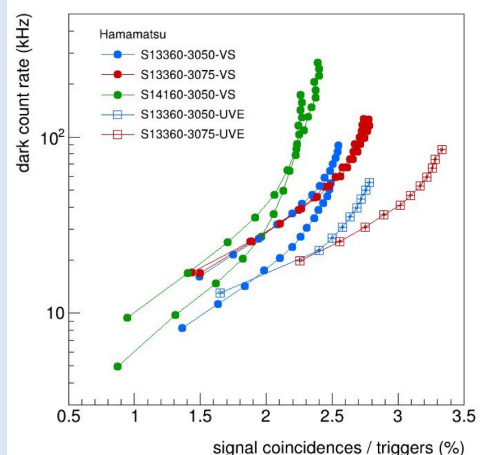
- ✓ 2024: ALCOR v2.1
- ✓ 2024: ALCOR v3 & FEB
- ✓ 2025: Production readiness

Marta R.

online self-annealing with forward bias



Hamamatsu sensors
oven vs ob-board
annealing



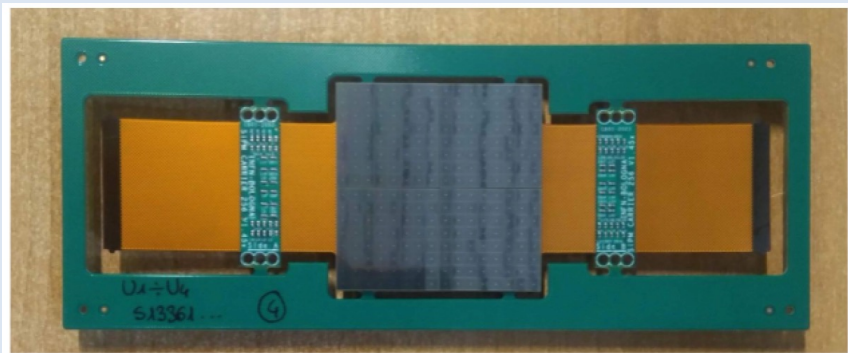
Hamamatsu sensors
- 10^9 neq
- oven annealing

R&D program (BO-CT-CS-SA-TS):

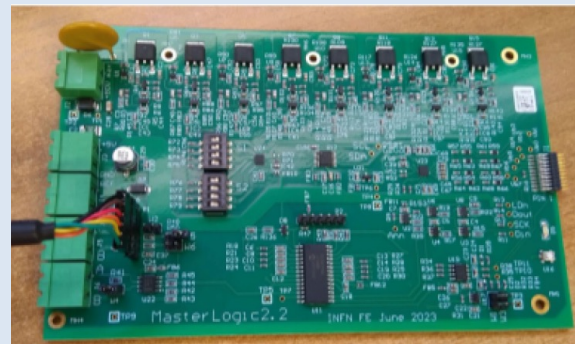
- ✓ 2024: annealing & sensors
- ✓ 2025: on-board annealing
- ✓ 2025: SiPM sensor specs

Roberto P.

SiPM **carrier board** with 256 channels and flex connector circuits.

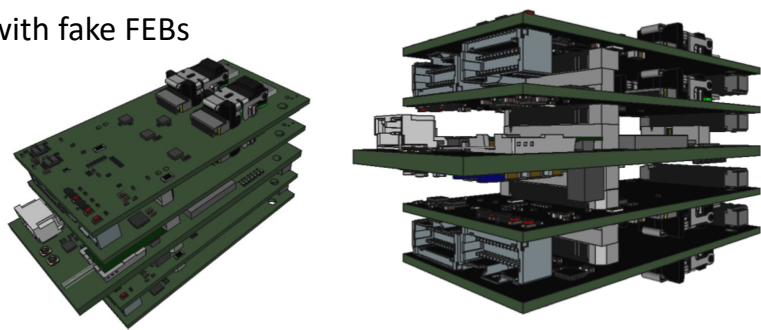


MasterLogic card to control SiPM bias voltage & monitoring service



Readout Board to configure and connect to the back-end

RDO stack
with fake FEBS



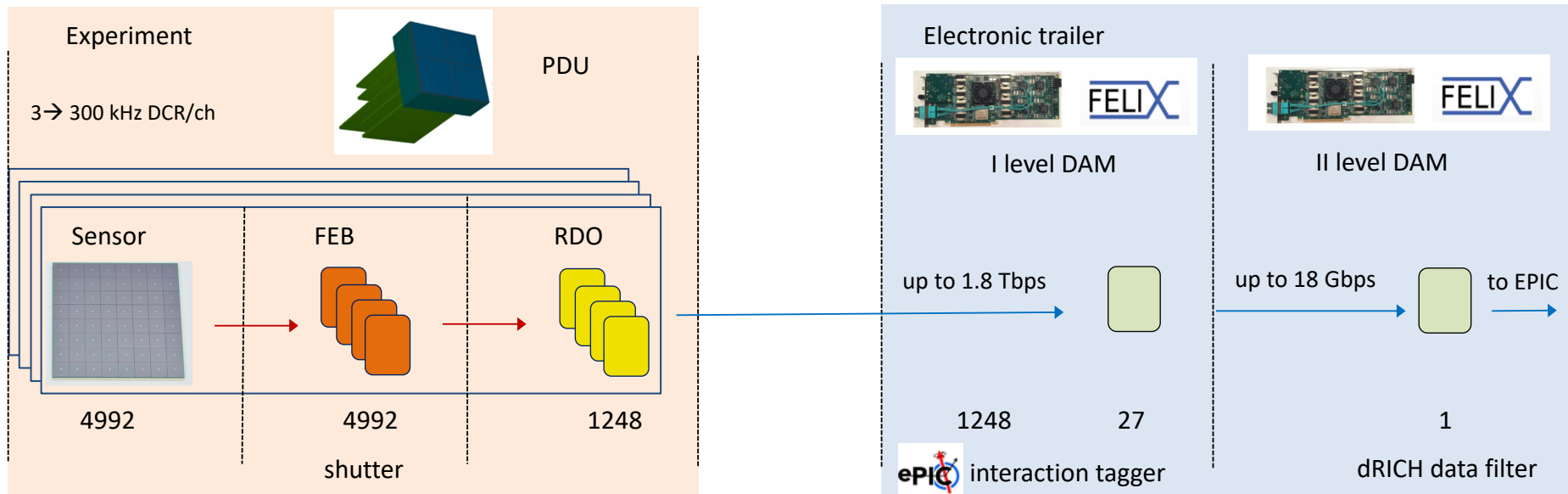
R&D program (BO-FE):

- ✓ 2024: RDO prototype
- ✓ 2025: Carrier v3 (BO)
- ✓ 2025: RDO (BO)
- ✓ 2025: Master Panel (FE)

Milestone

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



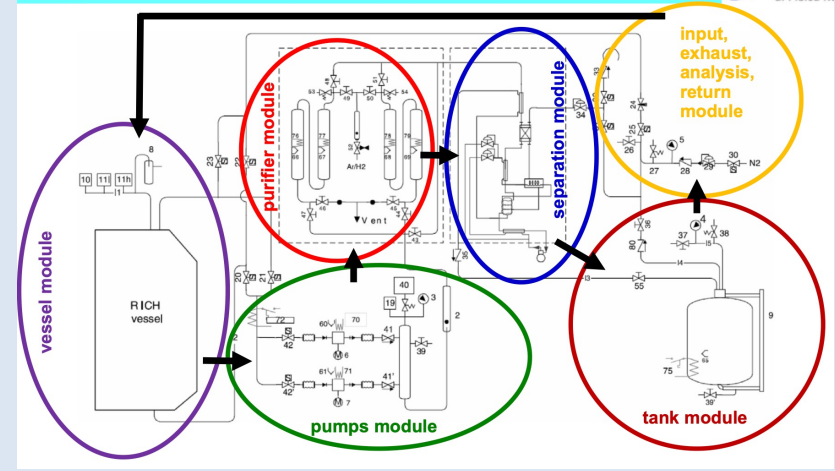
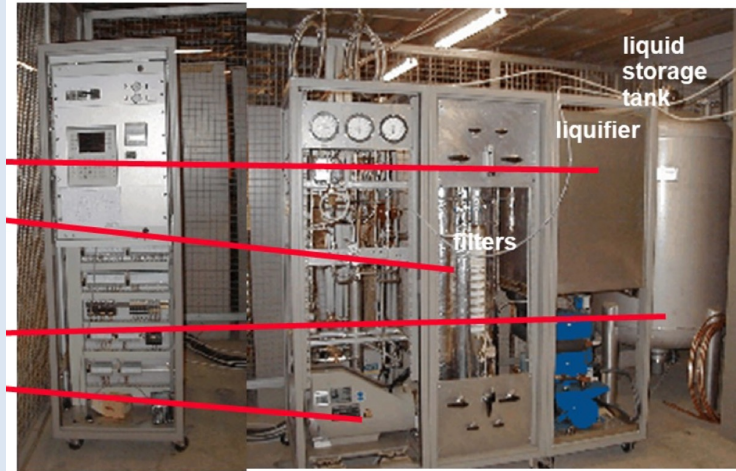
R&D program (GE-RM1-RM2):

- ✓ 2024: Feasibility study
- ✓ 2025: Interaction tagger
- ✓ 2025: Online data filter

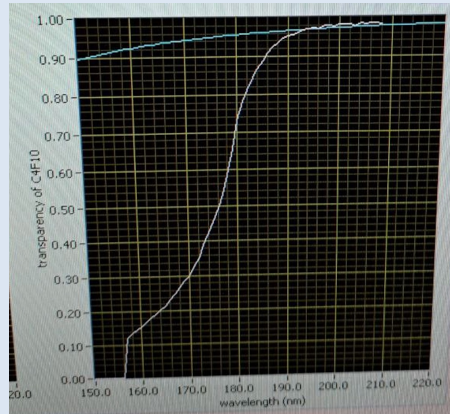
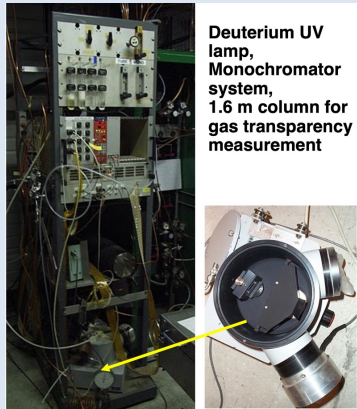
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Gas system



Gas characterization & optimization (synergy with AMBER/CERN)



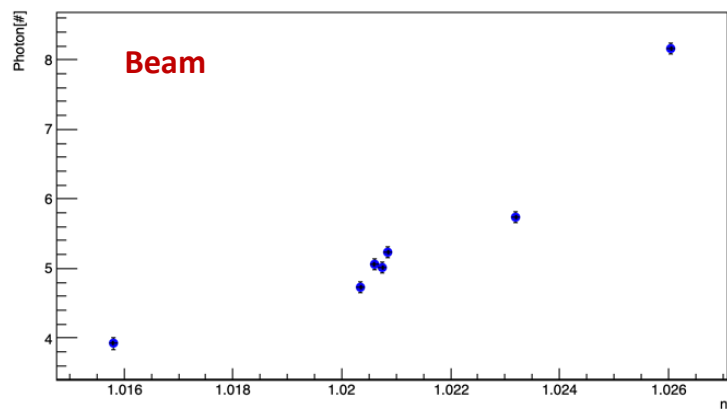
R&D program (TS):

- ✓ 2024: Transparency in UV
- ✓ 2025: Transparency in visible & near-UV
- ✓ 2025: gas system project

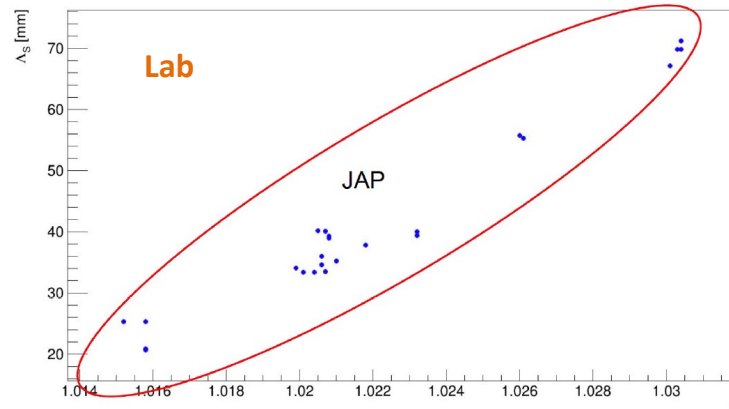
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Milestone

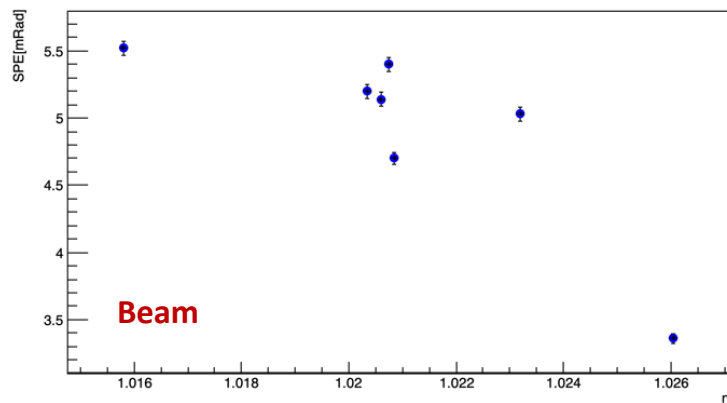
Number of photon for particle vs refractive index



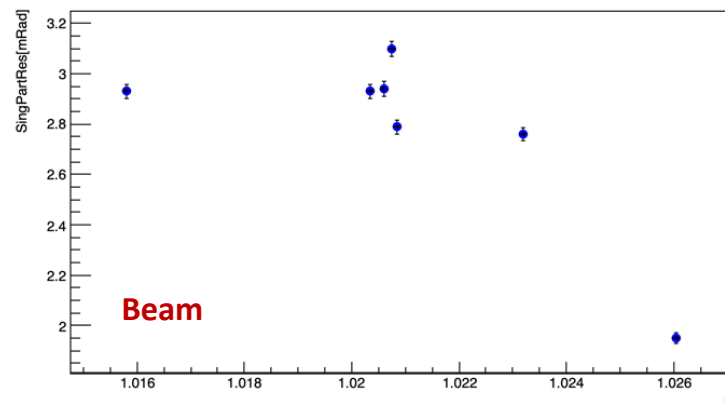
Scattering length vs refractive index



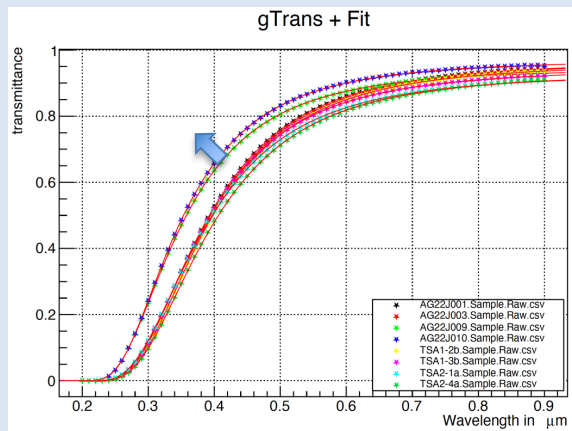
Single photon resolution vs refractive index



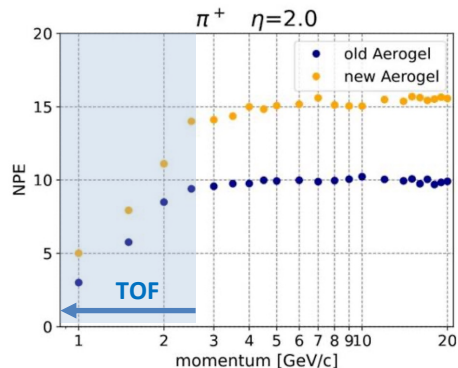
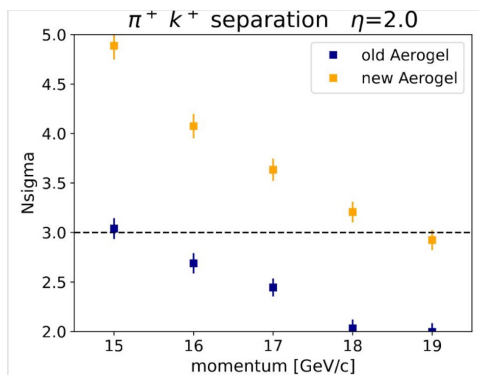
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Aerogel characterization & optimization (synergy with ALICE3)



EPIC simulations



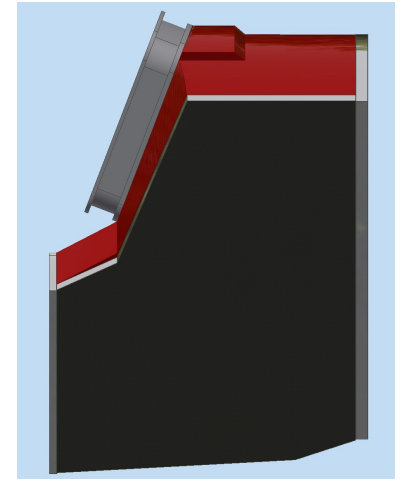
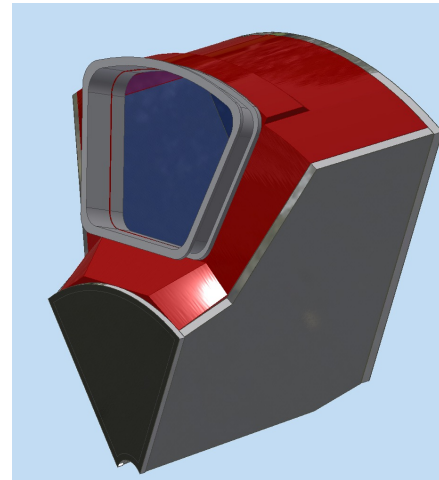
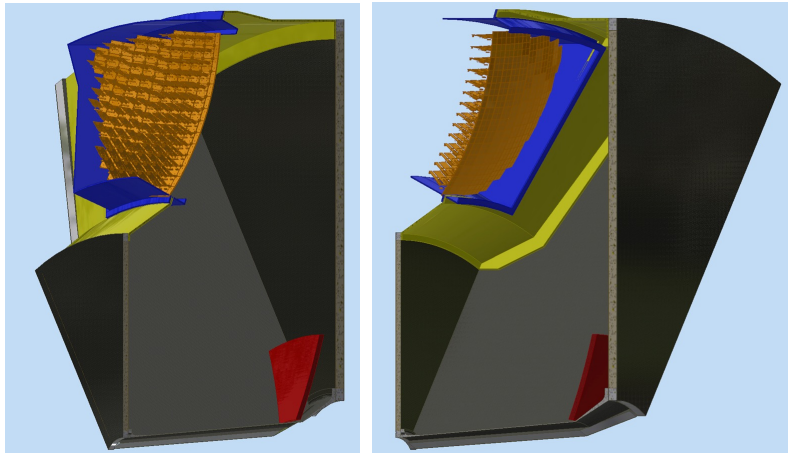
R&D program (BA):

Milestone

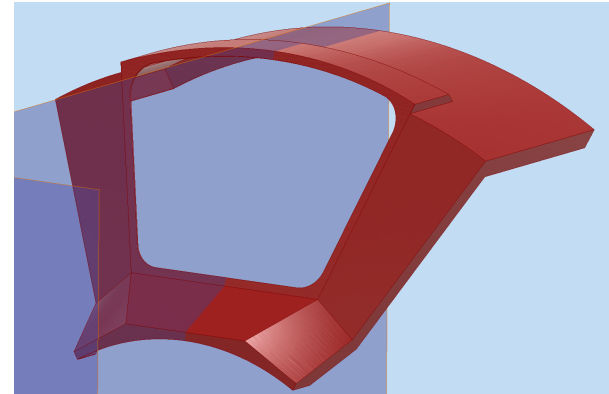
- ✓ 2024: Validate $n > 1.025$
- ✓ 2024: Increase size (15-18 cm) or thickness (2-3 cm)
- ✓ 2025: define size (up to 20 cm) & production specs
 QA station 40 keu
 4 keu

R&D program (FE):

- ✓ 2024: Real scale prototype
- ✓ 2025: Inner structure & support 11 keu
- ✓ 2025: Detector box & services 34 keu



Custom shell
&
Standard CFRP
laminate foils



2025 Requests

Struttura	Su dot.	missioni		consumo		altri_cons		seminari		trasporti		pubblicazioni		manutenzione		inventario		apparati		licenze-SW		spservizi		Totali	
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BA		26	2.5	80.5						2		Aerogel 44												108.5	2.5
BO		24	15.5	49	10						SiPM 30	RDO 40 – PDU 30		47.5				1				7.5		121.5	33
CS		21.5	2	9								SiPM 9												30.5	2
CT		11	7	1																				12	7
FE		16.5	6	19	11					2		Proto 43			13									50.5	17
GE		14		15								Tagger 15												29	0
LNS		21	8.5								3	Proto 8						5						26	11.5
PD		12	2.5	14.5						3				6	20									35.5	22.5
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ROMA2		18.5		5.5		3									18.5		30							75.5	0
SA		15.5	5.5									SiPM 11			11									26.5	5.5
TO		26.5	5	21							ALCOR 275 FEB 16						270							317.5	5
TS		52	12.5	47							Gas 57	SiPM 12			39.5									138.5	12.5
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