

Advancements in the characterization of SiC devices within the SAMOTHRACE ecosystem

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This contribution highlights recent results obtained in the characterization of new-generation Silicon Carbide (SiC) devices. Due to their peculiar features, SiC detectors are recognized as an excellent choice for charged particles detection, for both medical applications and nuclear physics studies [1-6]. Specifically, within the SAMOTHRACE ecosystem [7], a SiC detector array is under development for the detection of Radioactive Ion Beams (RIBs), which currently represent a new frontier for both medical and nuclear physics fields. This array, coupled with a fast electronics front-end [8-9], is designed to be compact, versatile, and capable of providing detailed information on RIBs. A key feature of this detection system is its high timing performance, which offers significant advantages in experimental studies involving RIBs. The reported results, obtained using radioactive α sources as well as accelerated proton and α beams, focus on evaluating the SiC detectors energy resolution and timing performance. In the latter case, a novel method based on crossing time and signal-sharing analysis has been employed to assess the time resolution of SiC detectors. A comparison of the timing resolution achieved using a micro-channel plate detector will also be discussed.

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