

Прогресс 2020 – 2023 гг. в разработке аэрогелевых черенковских счетчиков в Новосибирске

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План:

- Счетчики АШИФ
 - Эксперимент КЕДР и СНД
 - Долговременная стабильность счетчиков АШИФ
 - АШИФ с КФЭУ, модернизация счетчика АШИФ для эксперимента СНД
- Детекторы черенковских колец с фокусировкой
 - Счетчики с линзой Френеля (mRICH for EIC project)
 - ФАРИЧ для Супер С-Тау фабрики
- Позиционно-чувствительные фотодетекторы
 - Матрицы КФЭУ
 - ФЭУ с МКП

Progress 2020 – 2023 in aerogel Cherenkov counters development in Novosibirsk

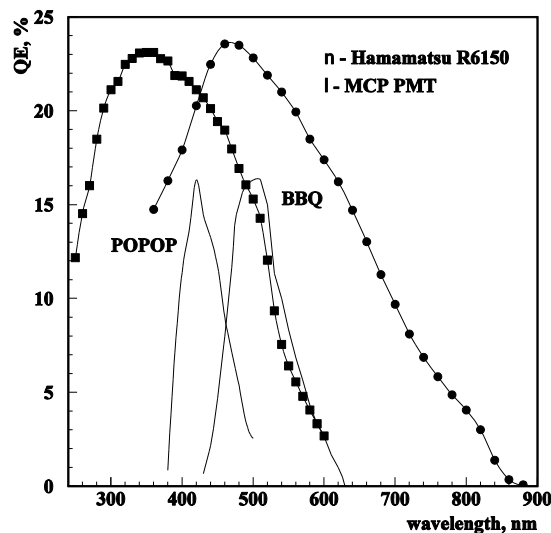
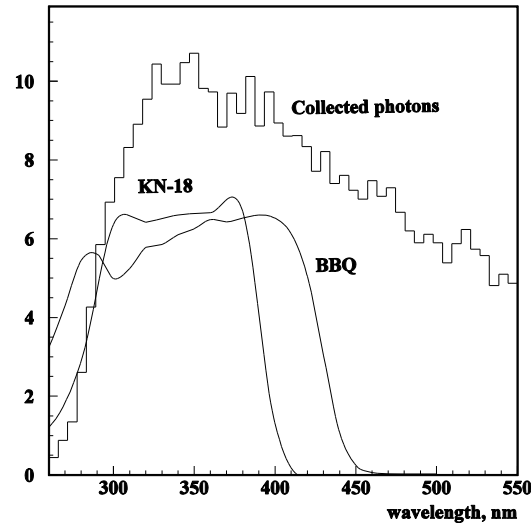
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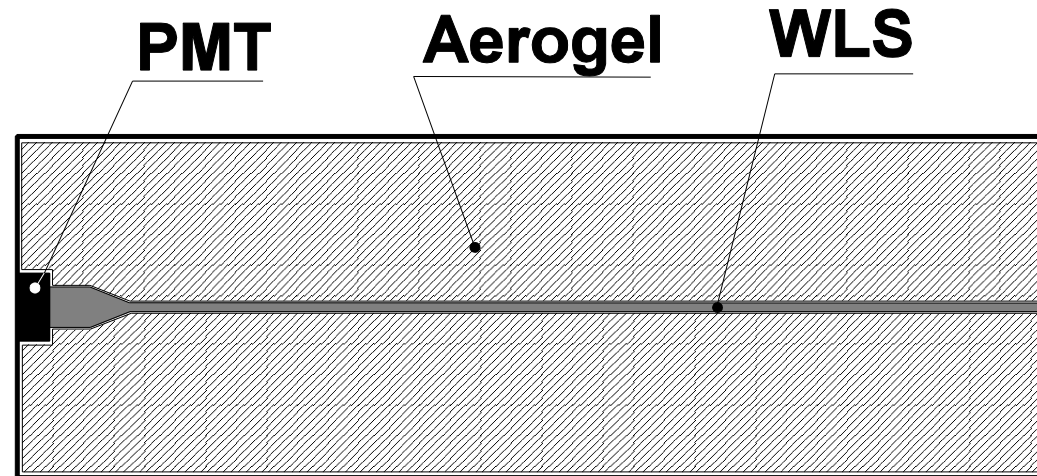
- ASHIPH counters
 - The KEDR and the SND experiments
 - Long-term stability of the ASHIPH counters
 - ASHIP with SiPM, upgrade of the ASHIPH system for the SND experiment
- RICH detectors with focusing of the light
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 - FARICH for the Super Charm-Tau Factory
- Position-sensitive photon detectors
 - SiPM arrays
 - MCP-PMTs

ASHIPH technique is 30 years old!!!

ASHIPH detectors



Aerogel Shifter and PHotomultiplier

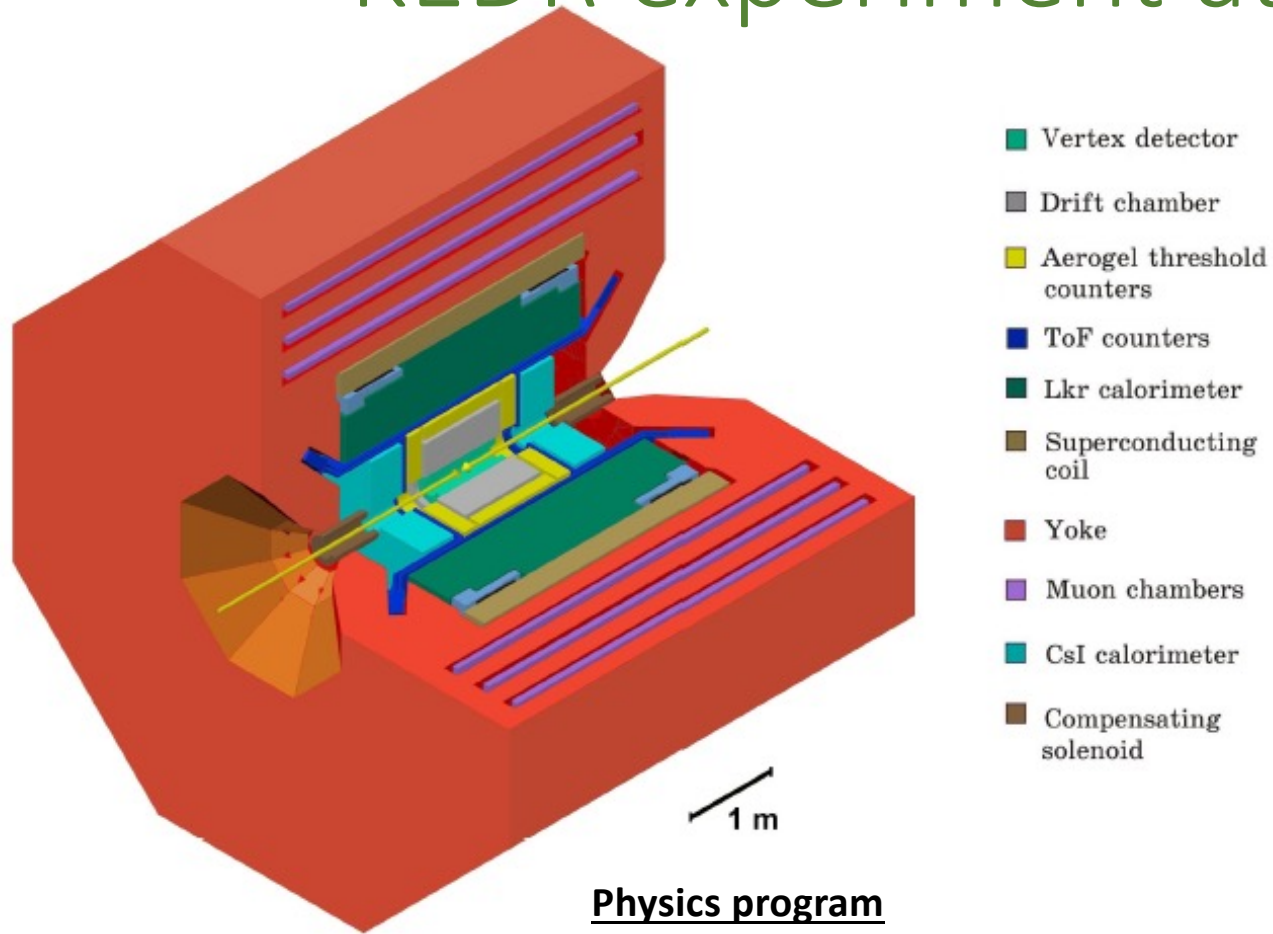


PMMA light guide doped with BBQ dye
is used as wavelength shifter

Suggested at BINP. A.Onuchin et.al. NIM A315(1992)517



KEDR experiment at VEPP-4M



VEPP-4M

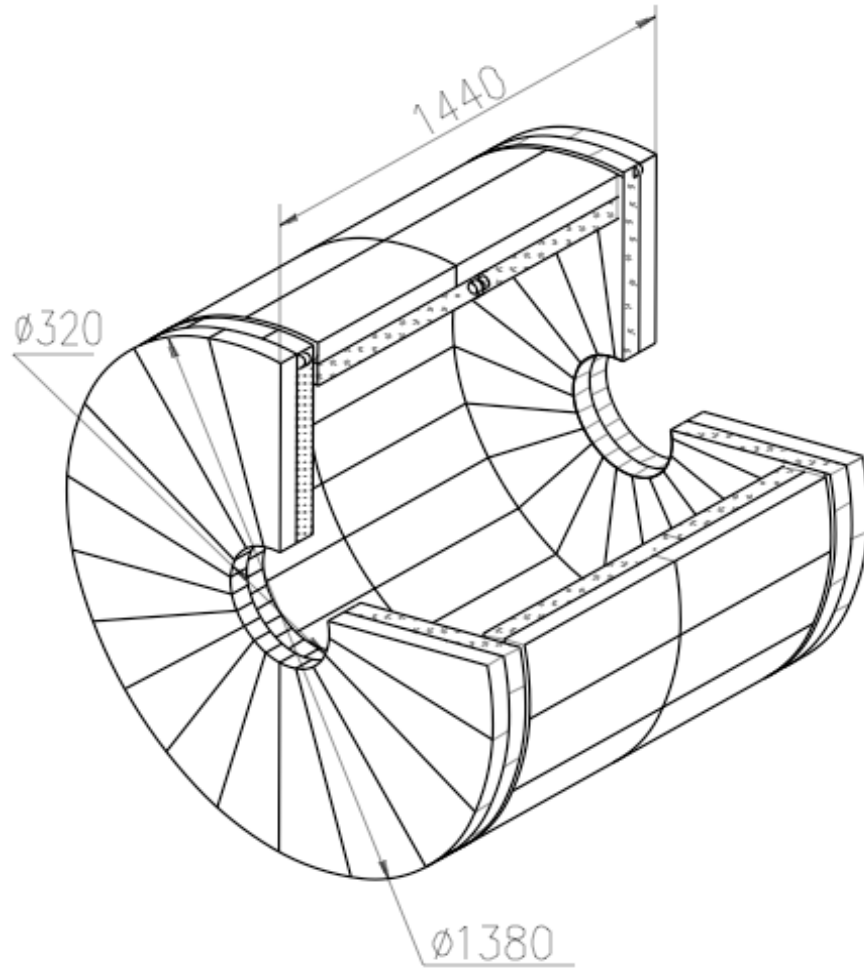
- Symmetric e^+e^- collider
- $E_{c.m.} = 2-10$ GeV
- $L = (1 \div 80) \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Precise energy calibration:
RD: $(5 \div 15) \times 10^{-6}$
CBS: 3×10^{-5}

Physics program

- Precise particle mass measurements: J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$, $\psi(3770)$, τ lepton, D mesons, Y mesons
- Measurements of ψ and Y mesons lepton width
- R measurement in 2-10 GeV c.m. energy range
- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ and other 2γ processes
- Branching fractions measurements in charm and bottom quark systems (above 10^{-4})



KEDR ASHIPH system

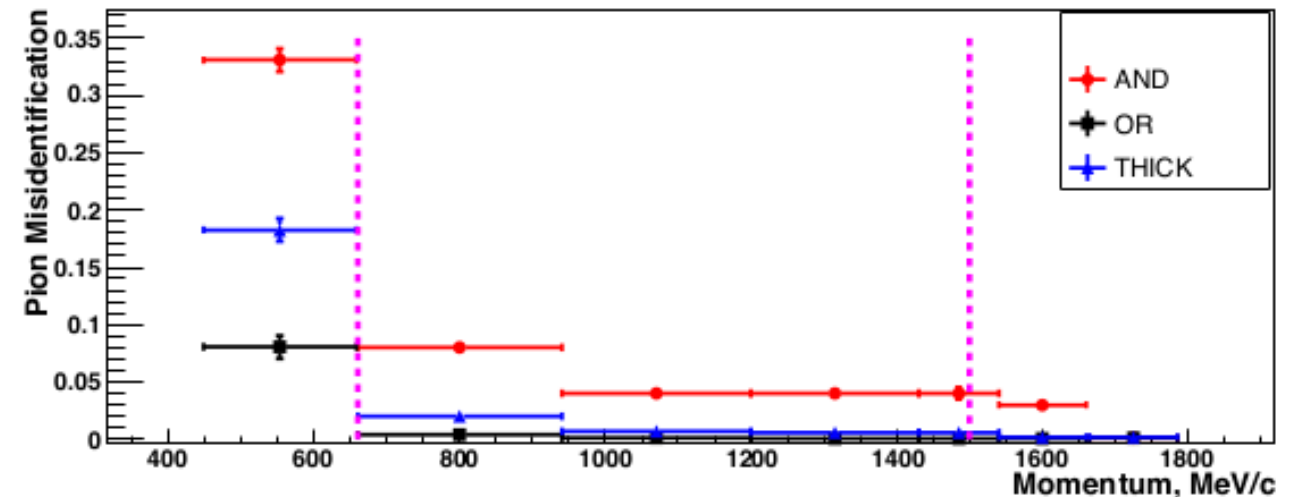
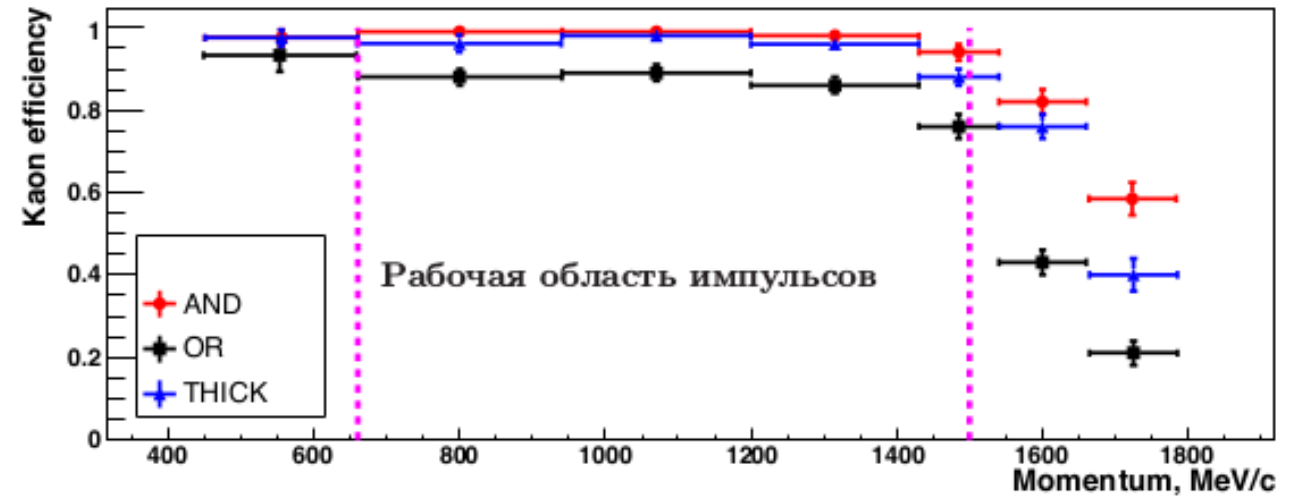


- 160 counters in 2 layers
- Solid angle 96% of 4π
- $n=1.05$, $V_z=1000$ l, high transparency SAN-96 aerogel
- π/K - separation in the momentum range $0.6 \div 1.5$ GeV/c
- 160 MCP PMTs, photocathode diameter $\phi 18$ mm, able to work in the magnetic field up to 2 T
- Fully installed in the detector in 2013. Now is in operation.



KEDR ASHIPH system (2)

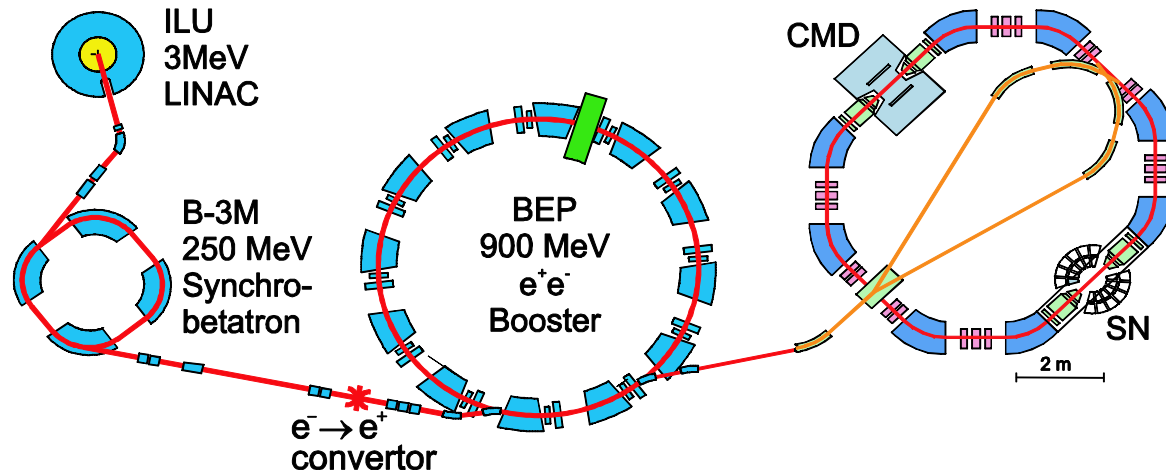
- $N_{pe} = 6.4 \pm 0.2$ – layer 1
- $N_{pe} = 5.0 \pm 0.2$ – layer 2
- $N_{pe} = 10.9 \pm 0.2$ – sum of the signals in 2 layers (80%)
- π/K -separation at 1.2 GeV/c is 4.3σ



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SND at VEPP-2000



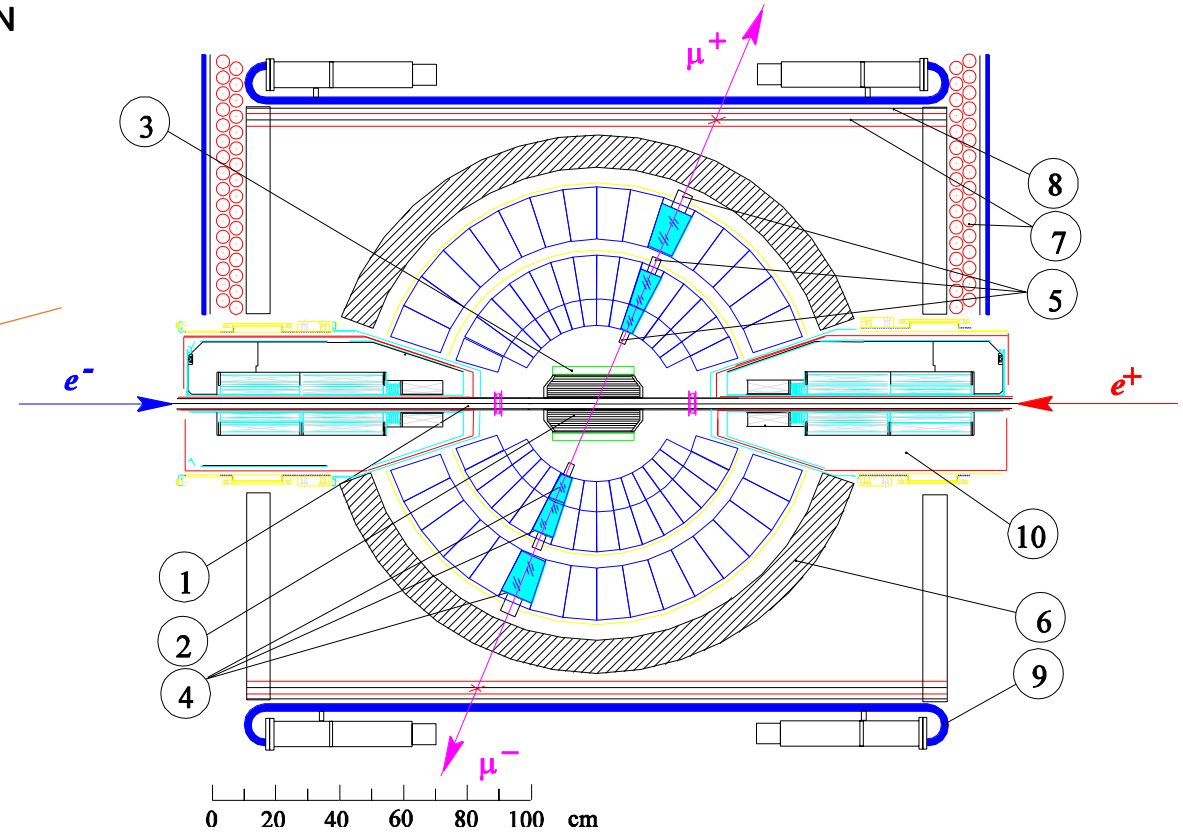
Symmetric e^+e^- collider with
round beams

$$2E_{max} = 2000 \text{ MeV}$$

$$L = 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ at } E = 510 \text{ MeV}$$

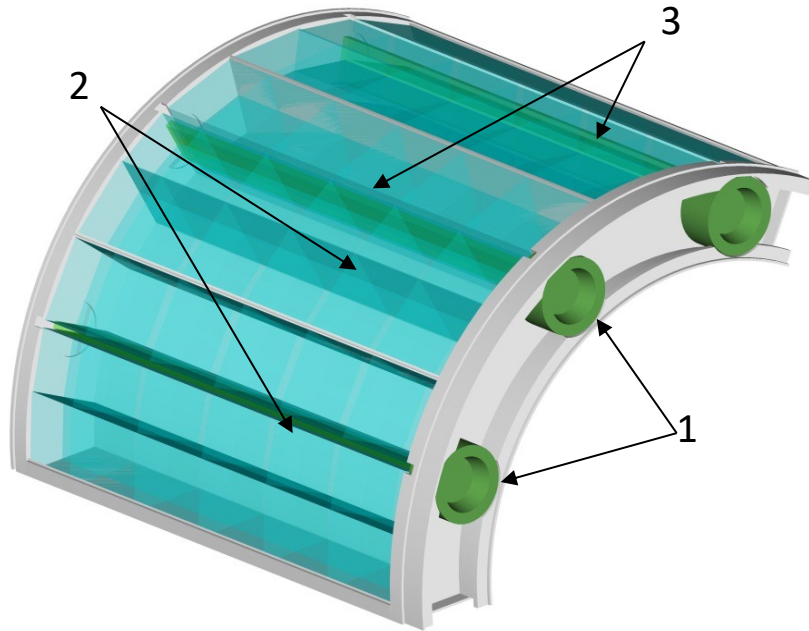
$$L = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ at } E = 1000 \text{ MeV}$$

1. VEPP-2000 beam pipe
2. Tracking system
3. Aerogel Cherenkov counters
4. NaI(Tl) crystals
5. Vacuum phototriodes
6. Fe absorber
7. } EMC
8. } Muon system
9. }
10. VEPP-2000 s.c. focusing solenoids



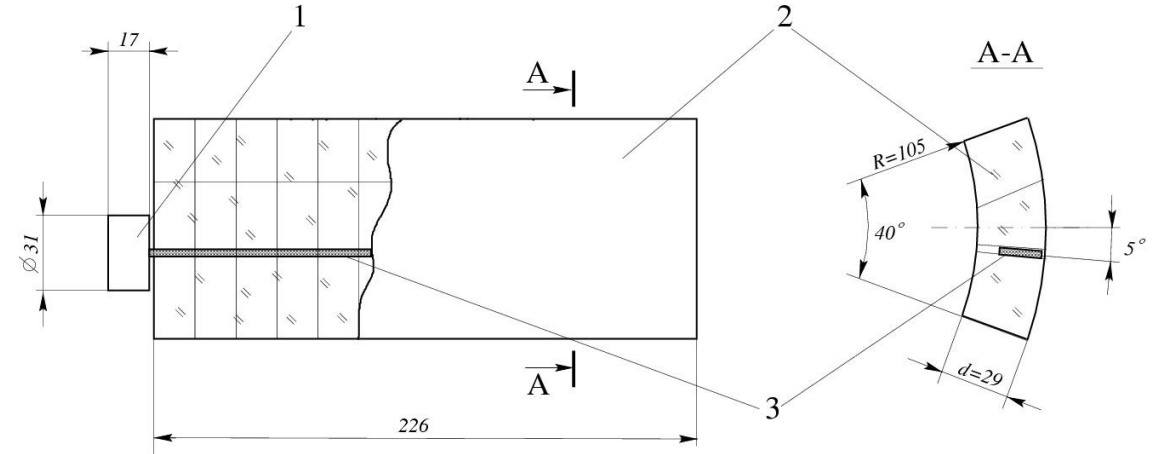


ASHIPH counters for SND



Outline

- π/K separation from 300 to 870 MeV/c
- Cylindrical shape: $R=105\pm 141$ mm
- Case material: 1mm of Al
- 3 segments of 3 counters in each
- Solid angle: $\sim 60\%$ of 4π
- Thickness: $0.09 X_0$



Counter Design

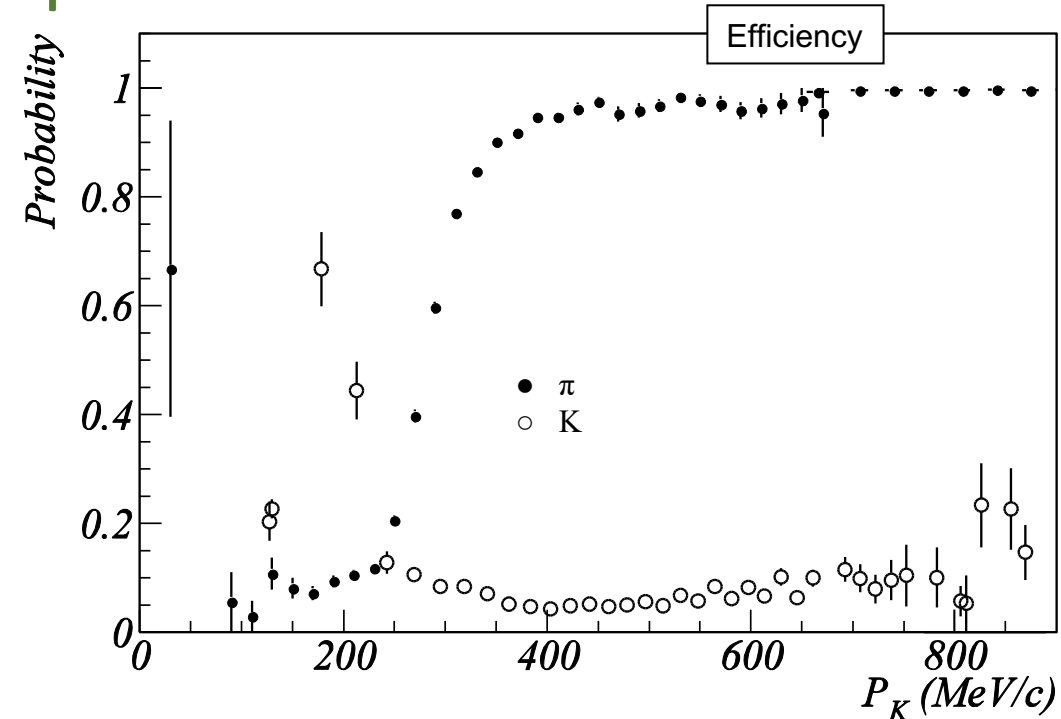
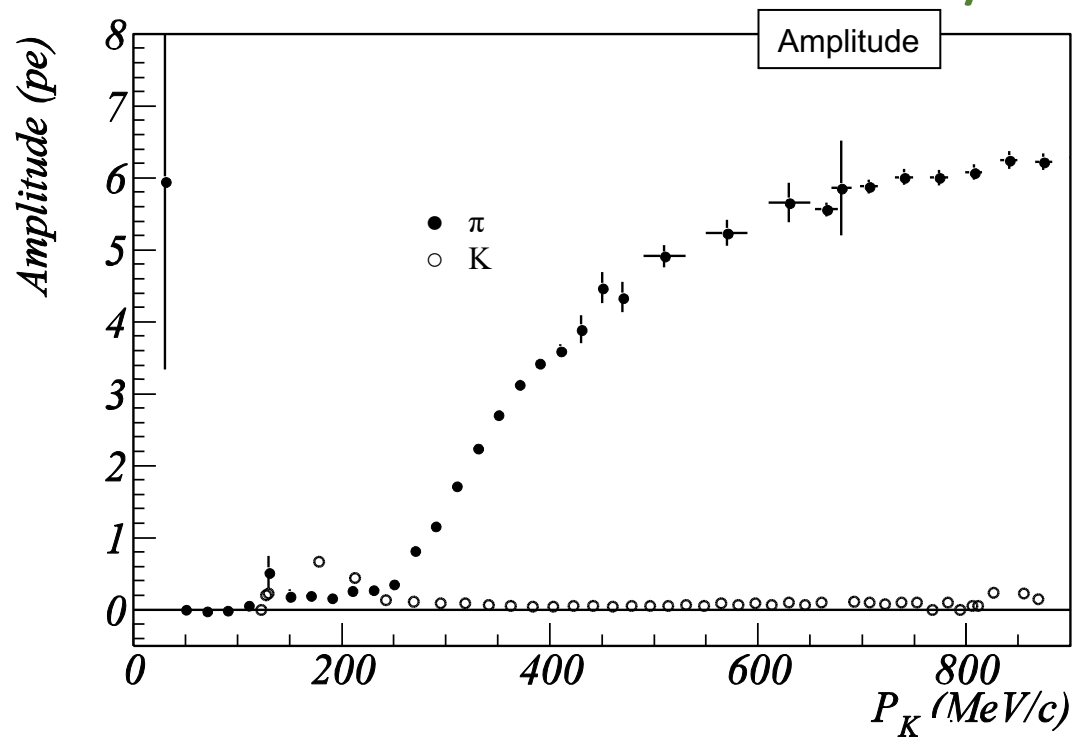
- Scheme: ASHIPH
- WLS position: displaced by $\sim 5^\circ$ from counter center
- Aerogel thickness: ~ 30 mm

Aerogel parameters

- Refraction index: $n=1.13\pm 0.01$
- Density: $\rho=0.65$ g/cm³
- $L_{sc}=19$ mm at $\lambda=400$ nm
- $L_{abs}=100$ cm at $\lambda=400$ nm



SND ASHIPH: π/K separation



P, MeV/c	ϵ_K , %	E_π , %	Sep, σ
300	~10	68	1,7
350	~7	90	2,8
400	~5	96	3,4
600-800	~9	>99	3,7

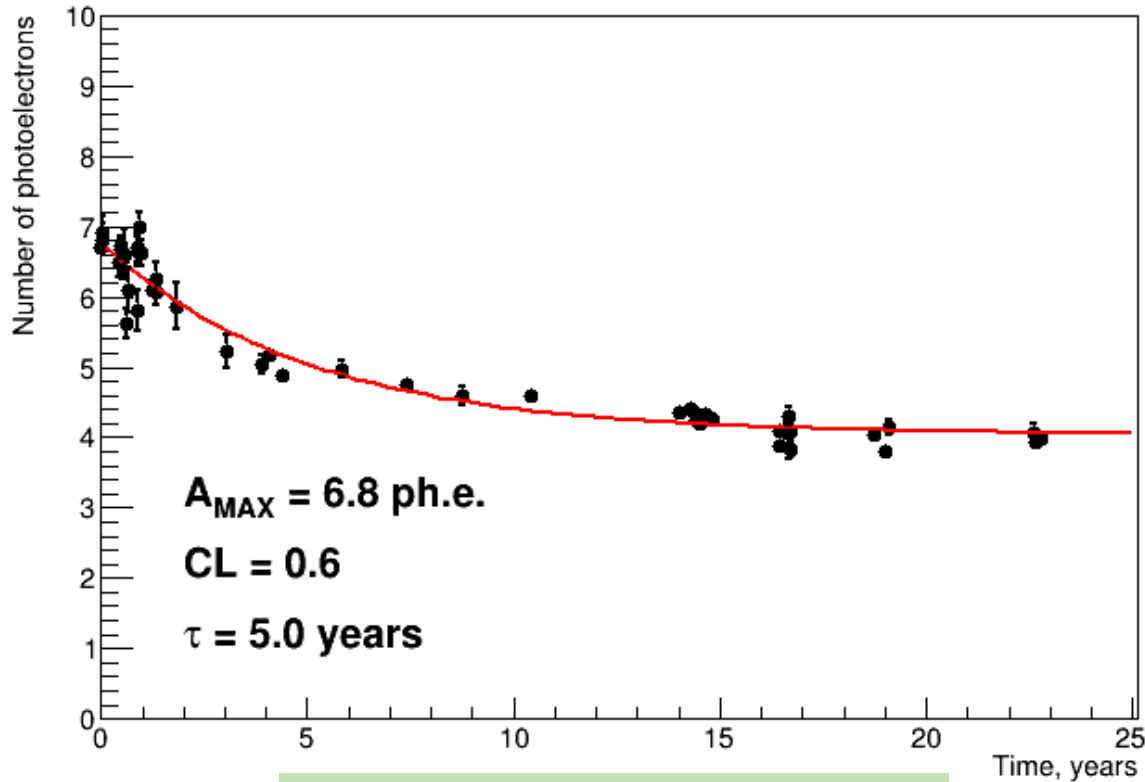
1. For momenta above 350 MeV/c separation level is sufficient
2. Below 350 MeV/c separation will be supplemented by other subsystems (DC)

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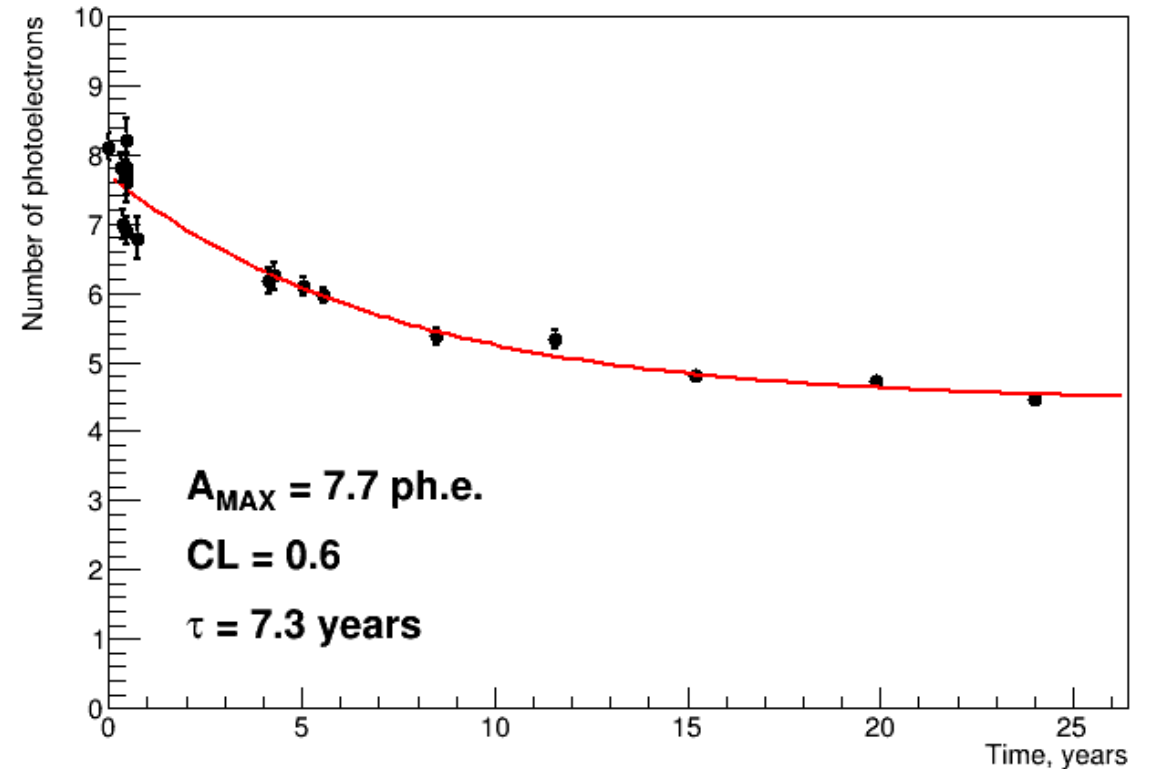
Long-term stability of ASHIPH counters

ATC 223



ASHIPH prototype for the KEDR. After tests with mixed hadron beams at JINR (Dubna) in 2000 is under operation from time to time.

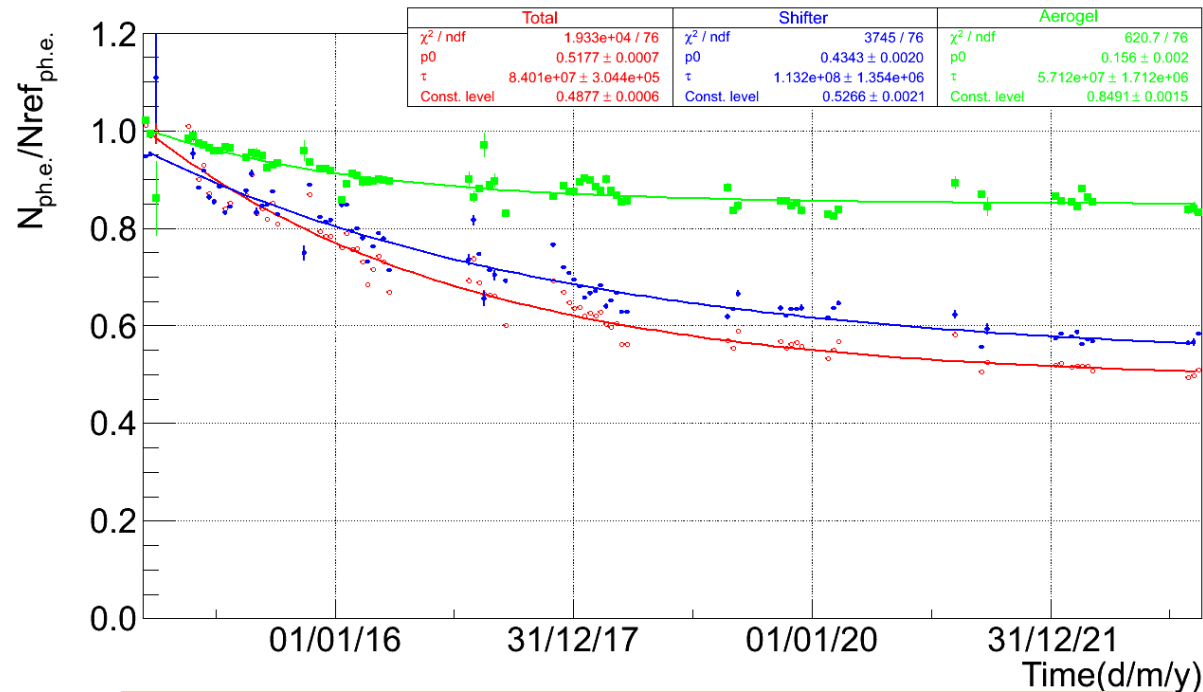
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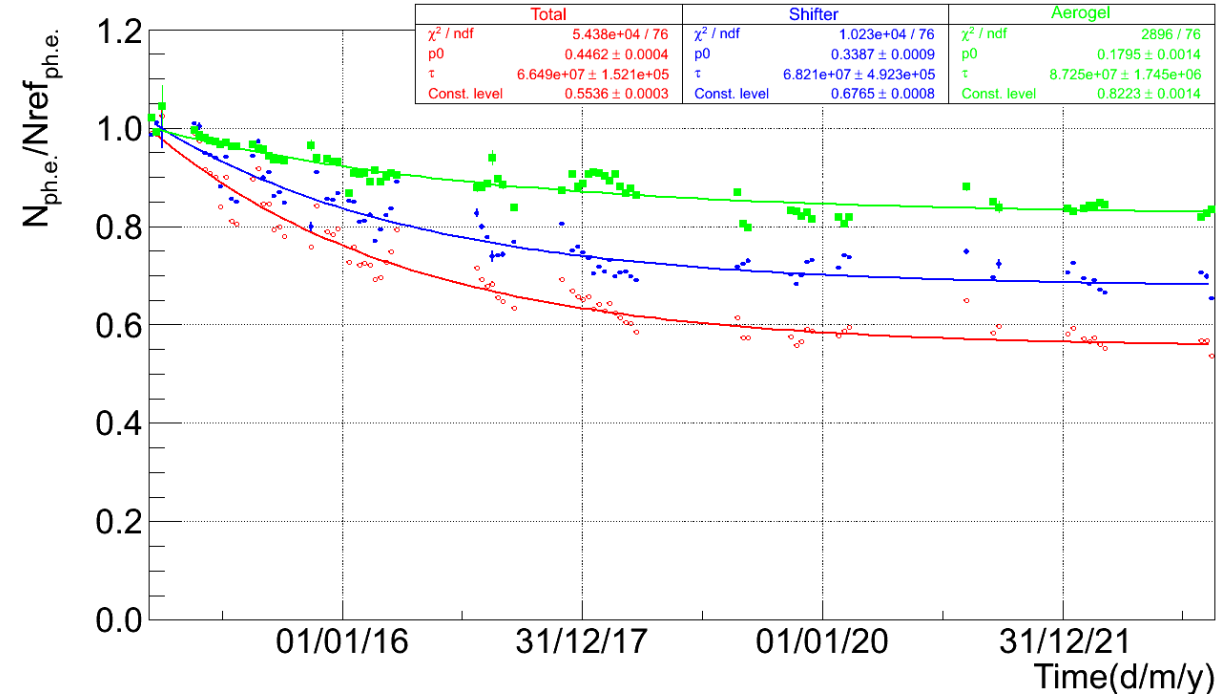
One of the first ASHIPH counters for the KEDR detector was under operation in the experiment from 2000 to 2003.



Amplitude decrease reasons for the ASHIPH system which is in operation at the KEDR detector since 2014



ASHIPH counters with 2MCP-PMTs from 1999÷2000



ASHIPH counters with 3MCP-PMTs from 2006÷2007

$\delta N_{\phi_3}(\text{aer}) \approx 16\%$
 $\delta QE(\text{WLS}) \approx 47\% - 1999$
 $\delta QE(\text{WLS}) \approx 32\% - 3\text{MCP } 2006$
 $\delta QE(\text{WLS}) \approx 33.5\% - 2\text{MCP } 2008$

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 — } Evaluated with help of cosmic tracks hit the WLS
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ASHIPH with SiPM

MCP PMT → SiPM

Pros:

	MCP PMT	SiPM
PDE=QE*CE	25*0.6≈15%	30-45%
Magnetic field imm.	Axial	Any direction
Power supply	2÷4 kV	<100V

Cons:

- High level of noise → New specific FEE → Cooling system
- Radiation tolerance is still low.

It is possible to upgrade KEDR and SND ASHIPH systems right now.
For Super Ct (B)- Factories SiPM radiation tolerance study is needed.

ASHIPH option for Super C-Tau factory

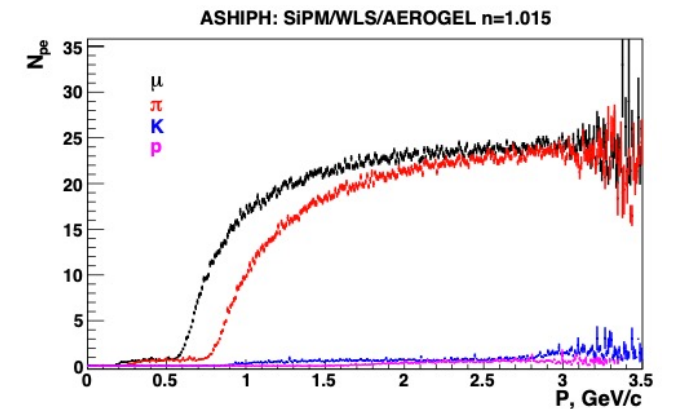
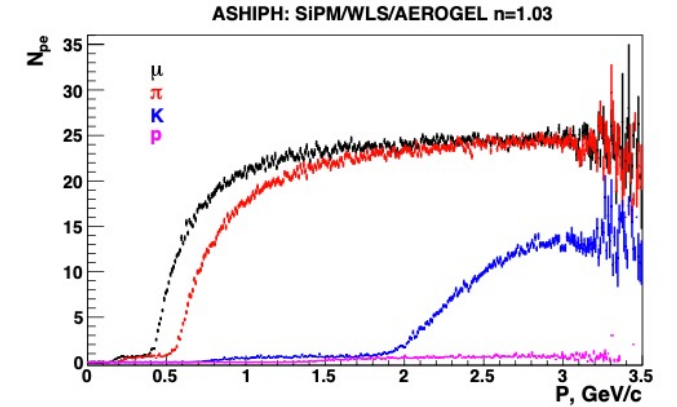
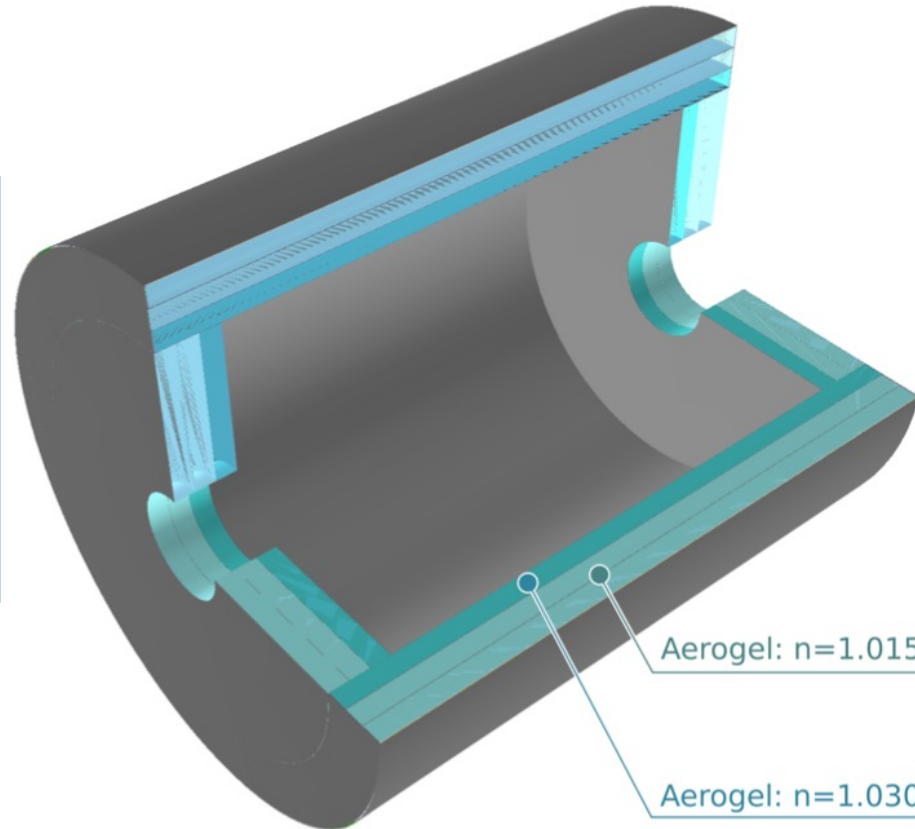
1400 counters $18 \times 30 \times 8 \text{ cm}^3$

System consists of 3 layers:

- $n=1.03$ (8 cm) – 2000 liters
- $n=1.015$ (8+8 cm) – 4000 liters

28k SiPM $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$

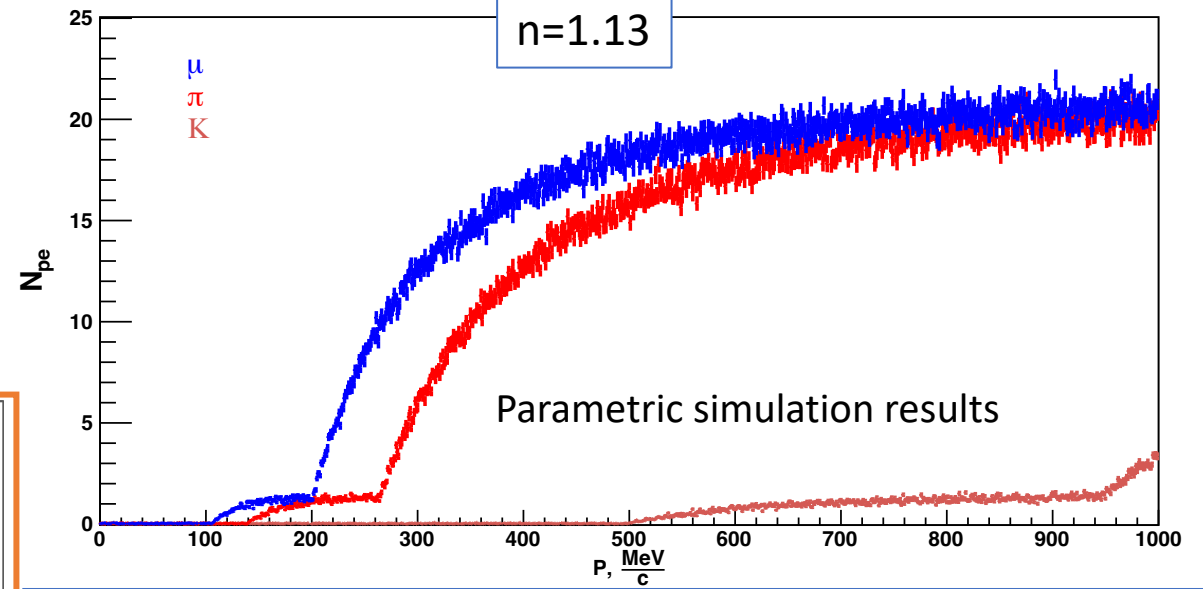
WLS based on PMMA doped by BBQ
 $0.3 \times 6 \times 28 \text{ cm}^3$



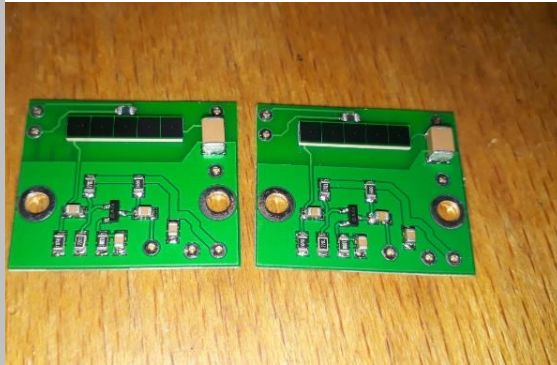
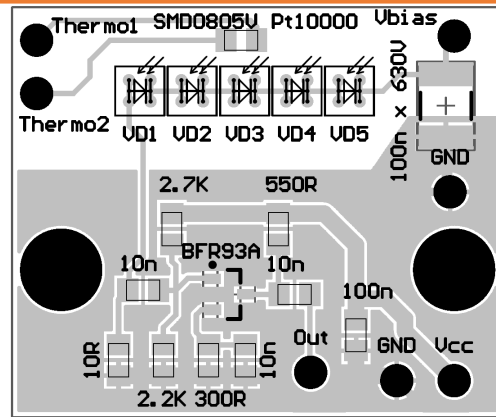
π/K – separation up to 3.5 GeV/c
 μ/π – separation from 0.5 to 0.9 GeV/c

Upgrade of ASHIPH system for the SND

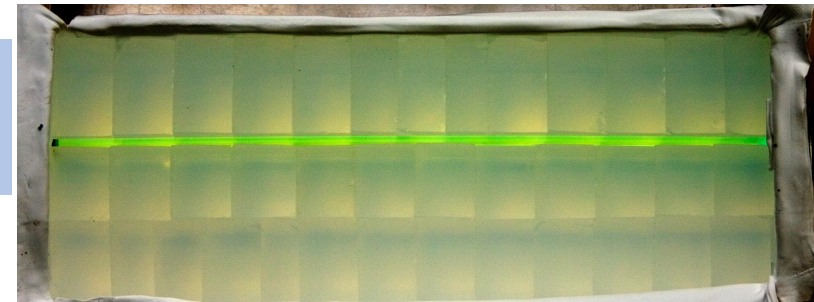
- Change of MCP-PMT to SiPM lead to increase of amplitude by two or more times:
 - ASHIPH system with $n=1.05$: $4.5 \text{ pe} \rightarrow 8 \div 10 \text{ pe}$
 - ASHIPH system with $n=1.13$: $9.5 \text{ pe} \rightarrow 18 \div 20 \text{ pe}$
- π/K -separation become more reliable



Scheme with consequently-parallel connection of SiPM



Aerogel radiator made from 38 sintered blocks $50 \times 50 \times 25 \text{ mm}^3$

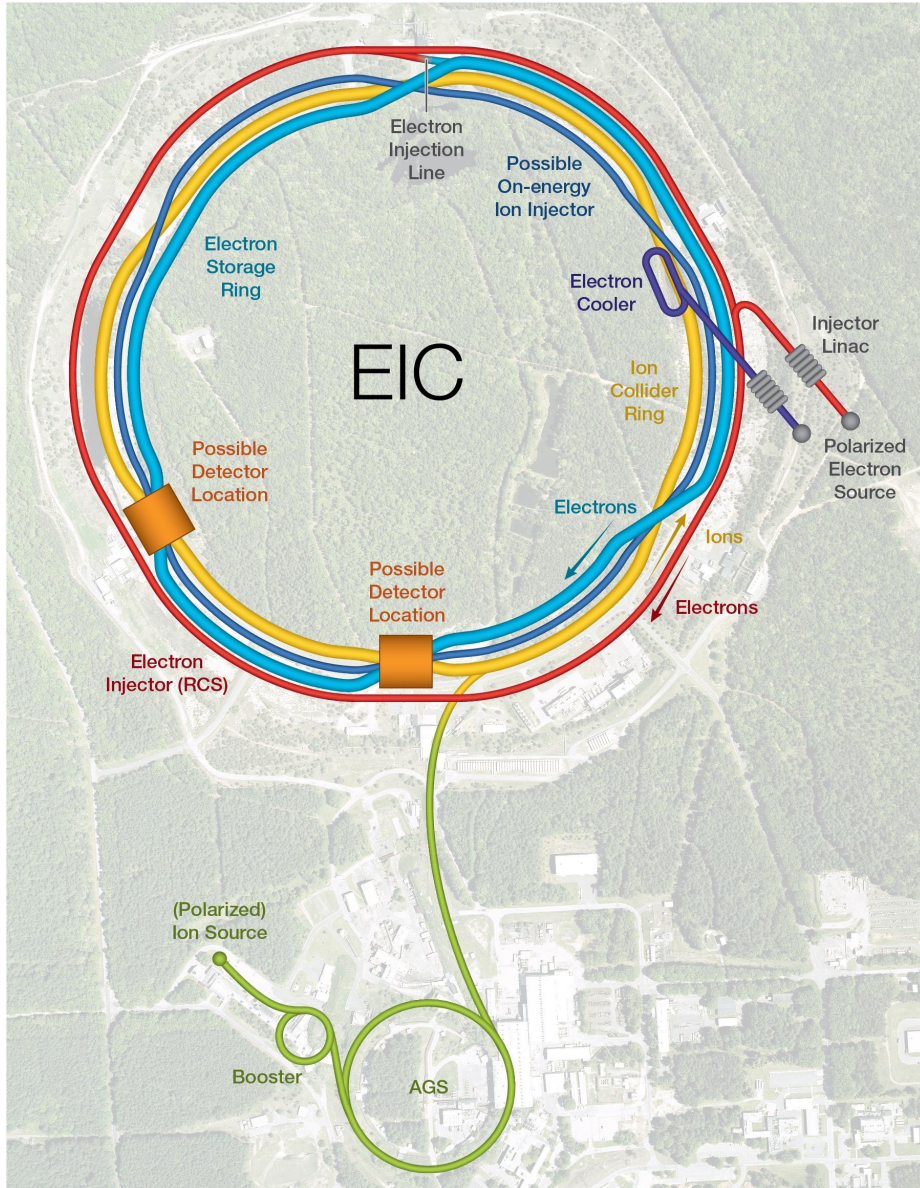


Aerogel radiator made from single block $200 \times 200 \times 40 \text{ mm}^3$



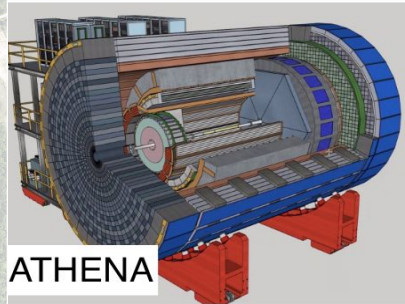
RICH with Fresnel lens

EIC project



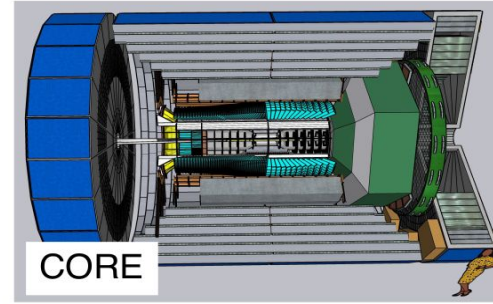
- Key EIC Characteristics (parameters)**
- High particle collision rate $L = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ($\int L dt = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$)
 - Large center-of-mass energy range $E_{CM} = 20 \div 140 \text{ GeV}$
 - electrons $2.5 \div 18 \text{ GeV}$
 - protons $40 \div 275 \text{ GeV}$ (ions: $Z/A \times E_p$)
 - Polarized beams of electrons and ions (up to 70%)
 - Large range of ion species ($p \rightarrow U$)
 - At least one large-acceptance detector
 - Projected budget: $\approx \$2.4 \text{ billion}$ - Start date: ≈ 2031

EIC detector proposals



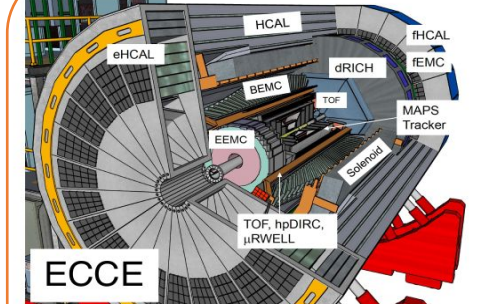
ATHENA

- **backward**
proximity-focus RICH
- **central**
high-performance DIRC
AC-LGAD TOF
- **forward**
dual-radiator RICH



CORE

- **backward**
AC-LGAD TOF
- **central**
high-performance DIRC
- **forward**
dual-radiator RICH



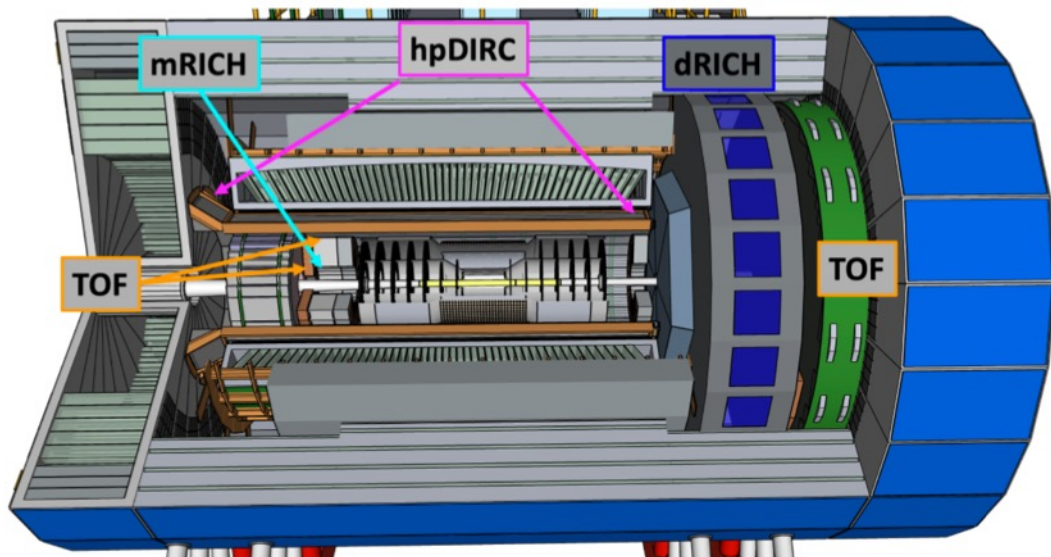
ECCE

- **backward**
modular RICH
AC-LGAD TOF
- **central**
high-performance DIRC
AC-LGAD TOF
- **forward**
dual-radiator RICH
AC-LGAD TOF

Almost approved concept since begin of 2022

ECCE-PID & mRICH system concepts

ECCE = EIC Comprehensive Chromodynamics Experiment



- **Physics requirements**

- pion, kaon and proton ID
- over a wide range $|\eta| \leq 3.5$
- with better than 3σ separation
- significant pion/electron suppression

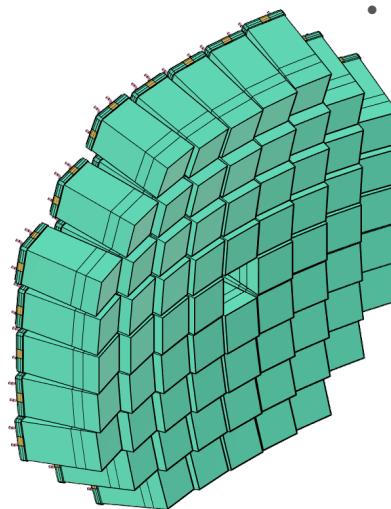
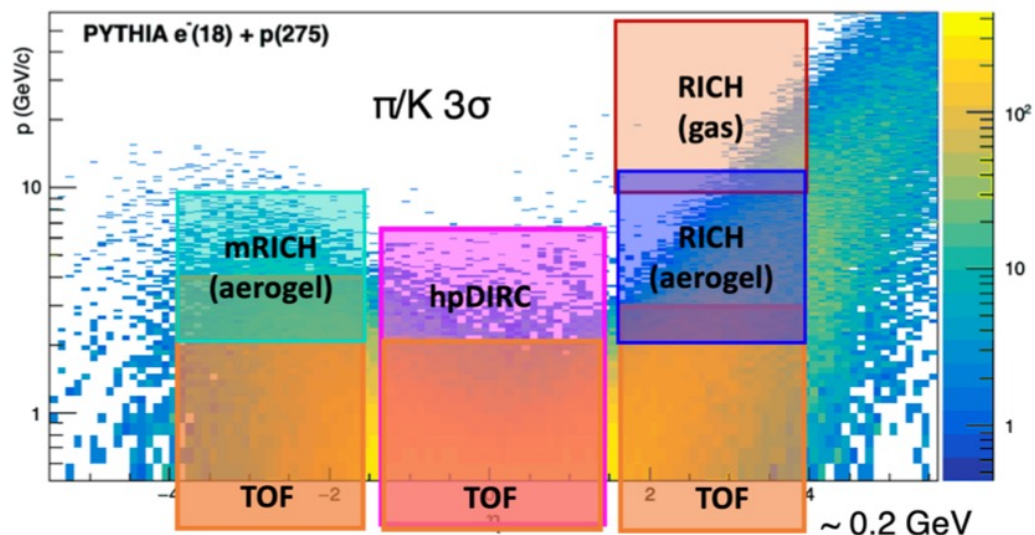
- **Momentum-rapidity coverage**

- forward: up to 50 GeV/c
- central: up to 6 GeV/c
- backward: up to 10 GeV/c

- **Demands different technologies**

- **Cherenkov detectors:**

- dRICH = dual RICH (aerogel + gas)
- hpDIRC = high-performance DIRC (synthetic fused silica)
- mRICH = modular RICH (aerogel + Fresnel lens)

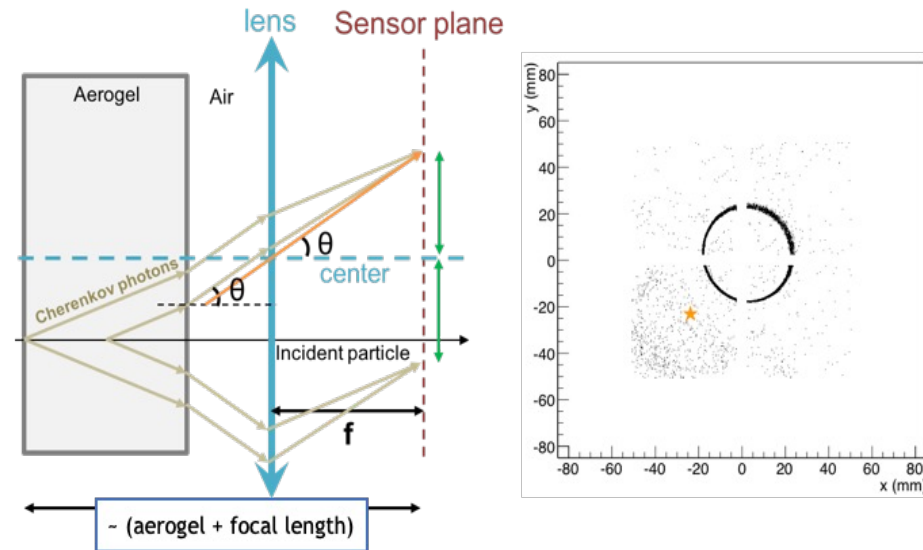


68 modular counters oriented to IP:

- aerogel $n=1.03$ $100 \times 100 \times 40$ mm³
- acrylic Fresnel lens with focal distance 6''
- position sensitive photon detector HRRPD (MCP-PMT) or SiPM arrays

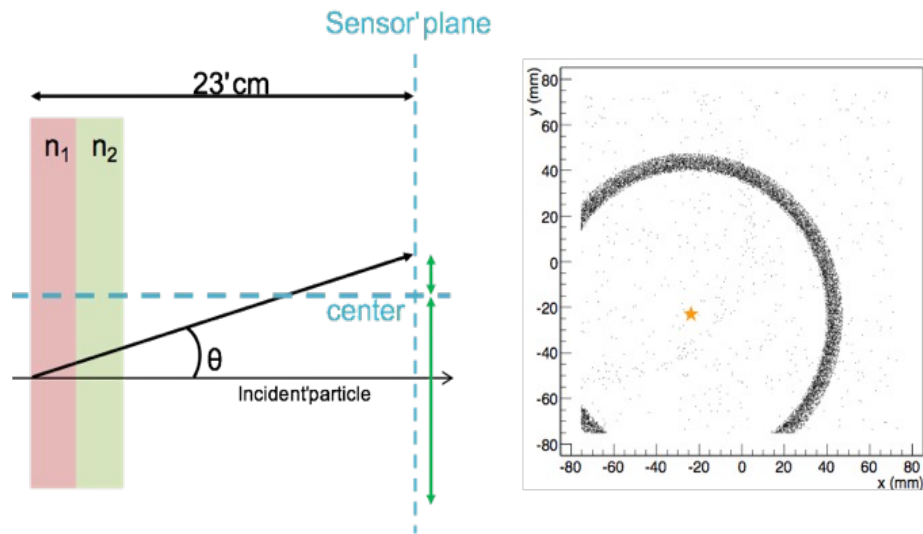
Aerogel RICH with Fresnel lens

Lens-Based mRICH Design



- 9 GeV/c pion beam incident at third quadrant (**star**) in simulation
- Ring image is **shifted toward the central region** on the sensor plane

Two-Layer Proximity Focusing Design (BELLE-2 ARICH)



- 9 GeV/c pion beam incident at third quadrant (**star**) in simulation
- Ring is centered at point of incidence

Such approach allows us to improve Cherenkov angle resolution and optimize photo detectors area!

The thick aerogel for mRICH

There are two way to increase the aerogel thickness:

- Arrange the stack of several aerogel samples with moderate thickness like as 20 mm
- Produce the larger (thicker) aerogel samples as for LHCb ($n=1.03$; $200 \times 200 \times 50 \text{ mm}^3$)

According to Marco Contalbrigo, so far the only manufacturer that achieved thickness larger than 2cm is in Russian.

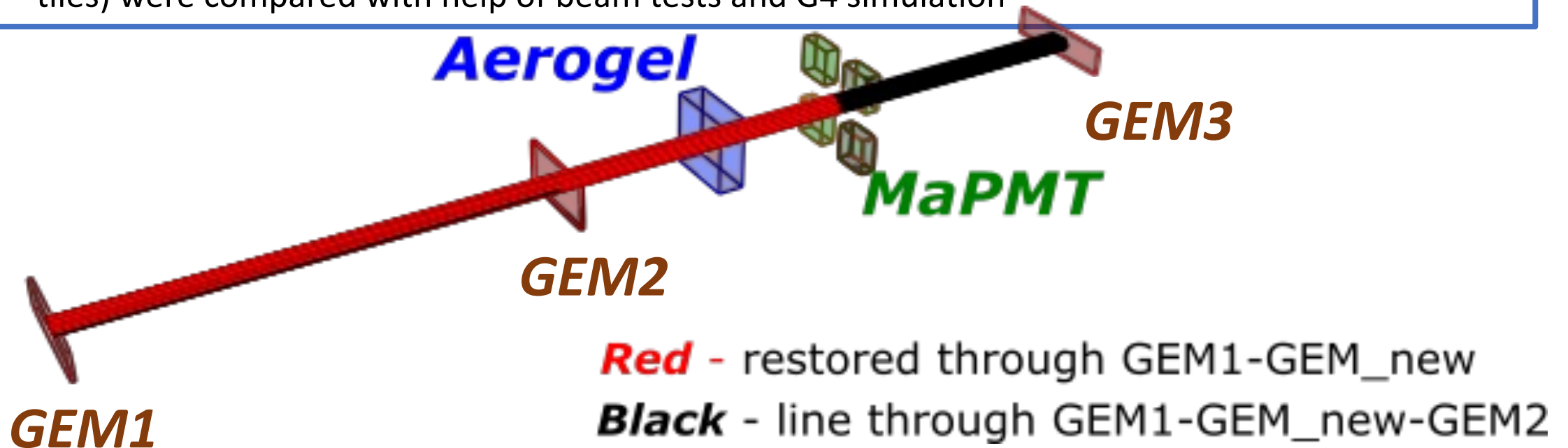
- In both cases there is no reason to make the aerogel thickness more than $(1 \div 2) \cdot L_{sc}$:

$$N_{out} = N_0 \frac{L_{sc}}{h} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{h}{L_{sc}}} \right), \quad L_{sc} \sim \lambda^4$$

- In case of approach “stack” the additional Cherenkov photons loss is occurred due to reflectance and scattering on the additional surfaces
- There are two not cuttied surfaces in aerogel
 - “Optical surface@ – which contacts only with air during the production
 - “Bottom” it contacts with metallic frame during the production processes
- Several configuration of the aerogel Cherenkov radiators were tested with relativistic elecron beams at BINP beam test facilities in 2022.

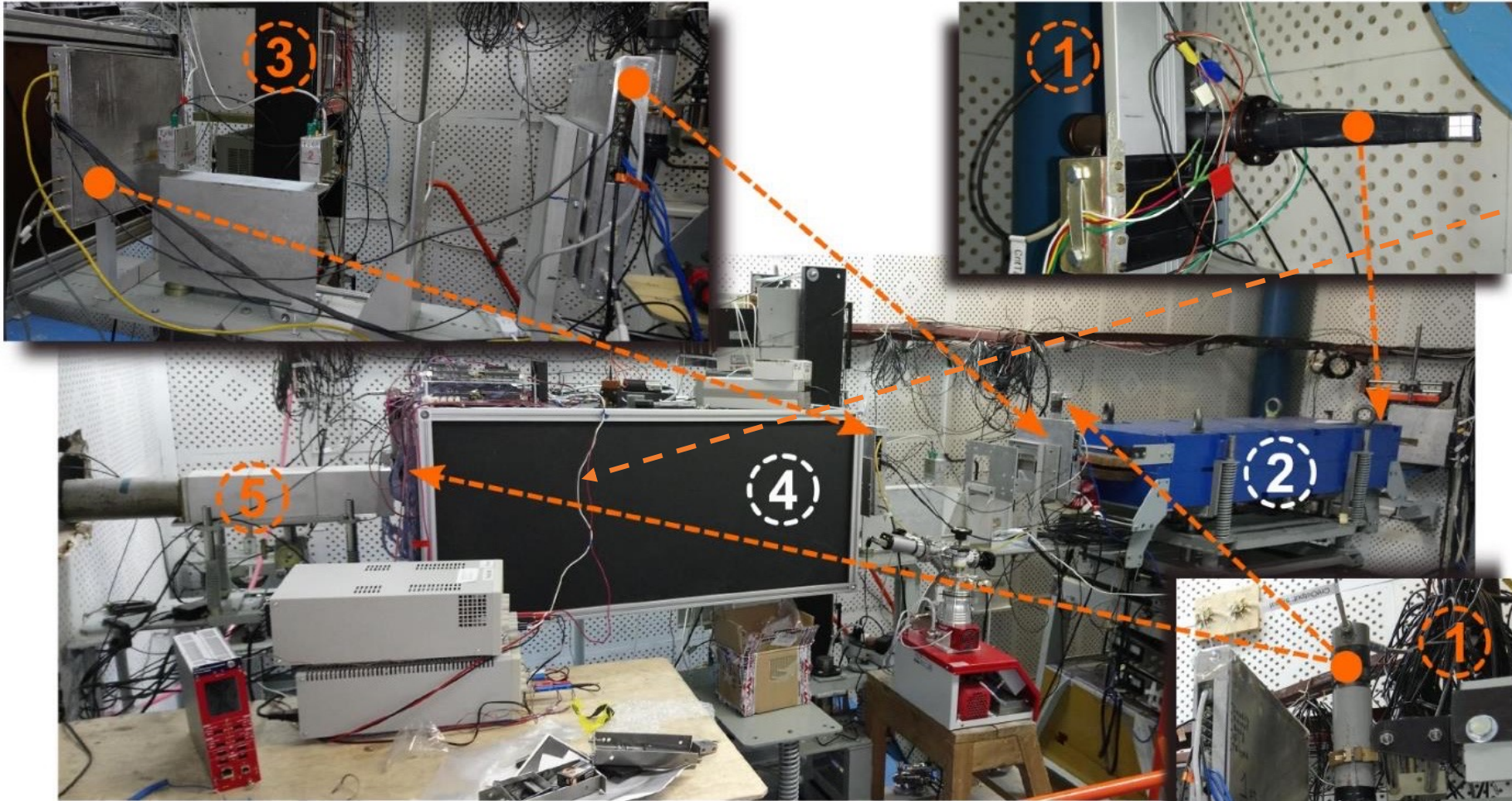
Beam tests schem of aerogel RICH in 2022 at BINP

- Three short runs (2 shifts: 12+12 hours) with electrons $E=2.5$ GeV was done in May, November and December 2022.
- Four MaPMTs H12700 (Hamamatsu) with pixel 6×6 mm were placed in such way to register 85% (for May run) and 60% (for Nov and Dec run) of Cherenkov photons per track.
- Three GEMs with spatial resolution $\sigma_{x,y} \leq 100 \mu\text{m}$ were used at beamline.
 - ✓ Two before aerogel sample and one behind
- Two approaches to create a thick aerogel Cherenkov radiators (single thick tile or stack of two tiles) were compared with help of beam tests and G4 simulation



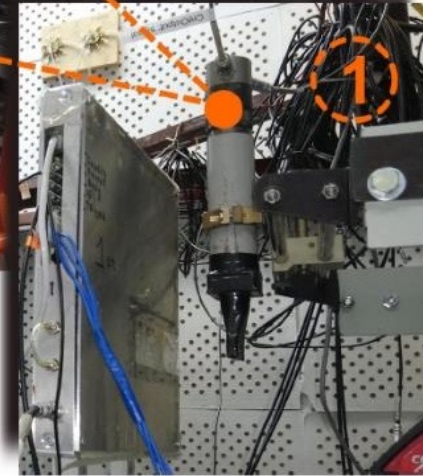
BINP beam test facility

Example disposition of equipment in experimental hall (15/03/2018)

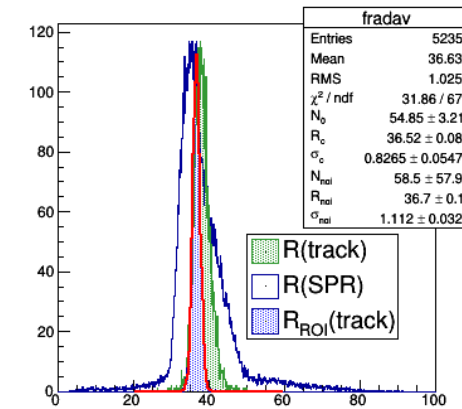
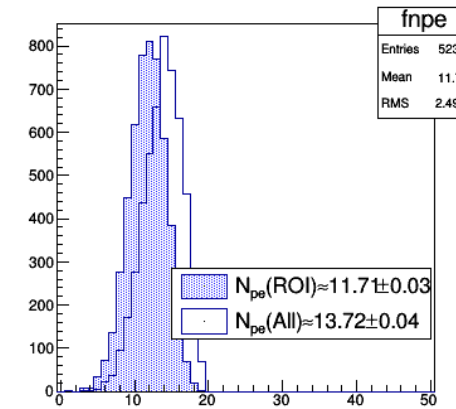
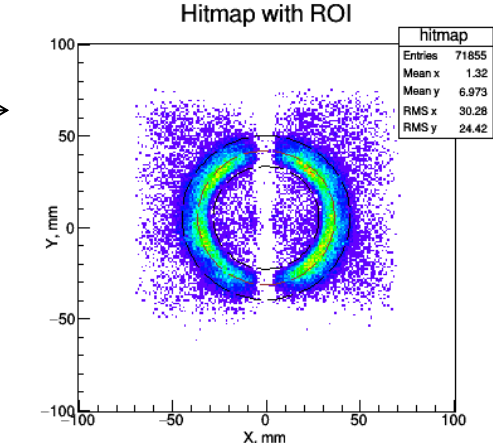
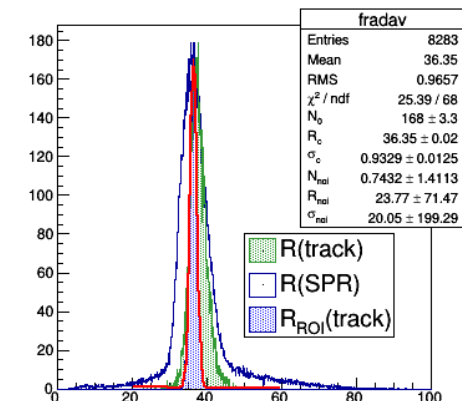
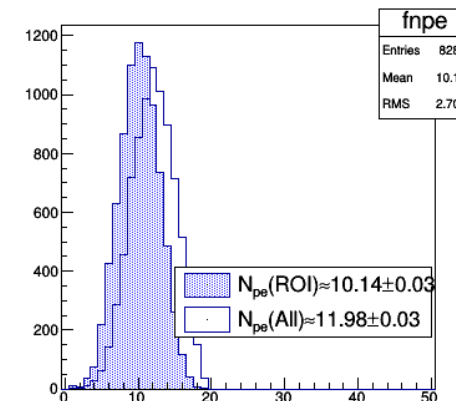
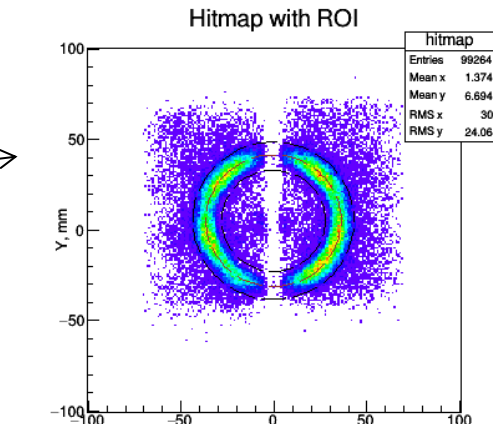
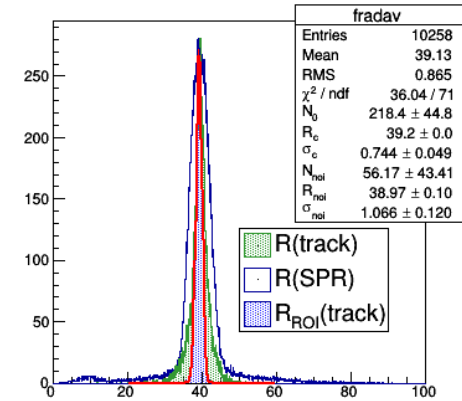
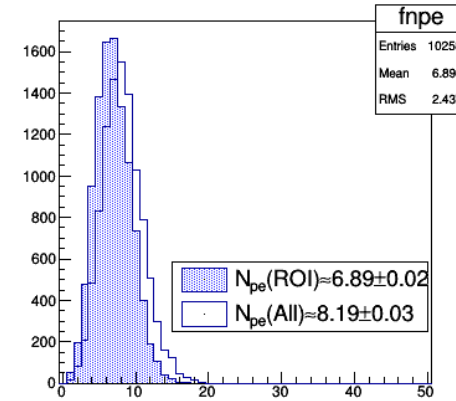
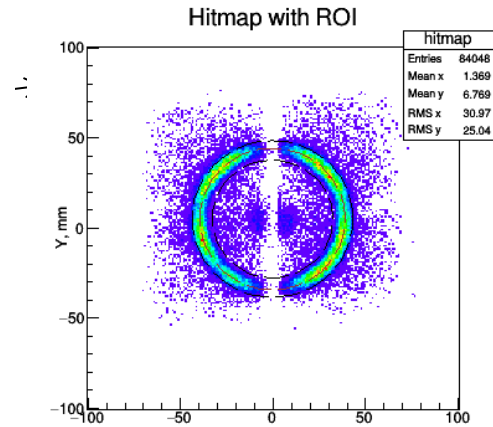
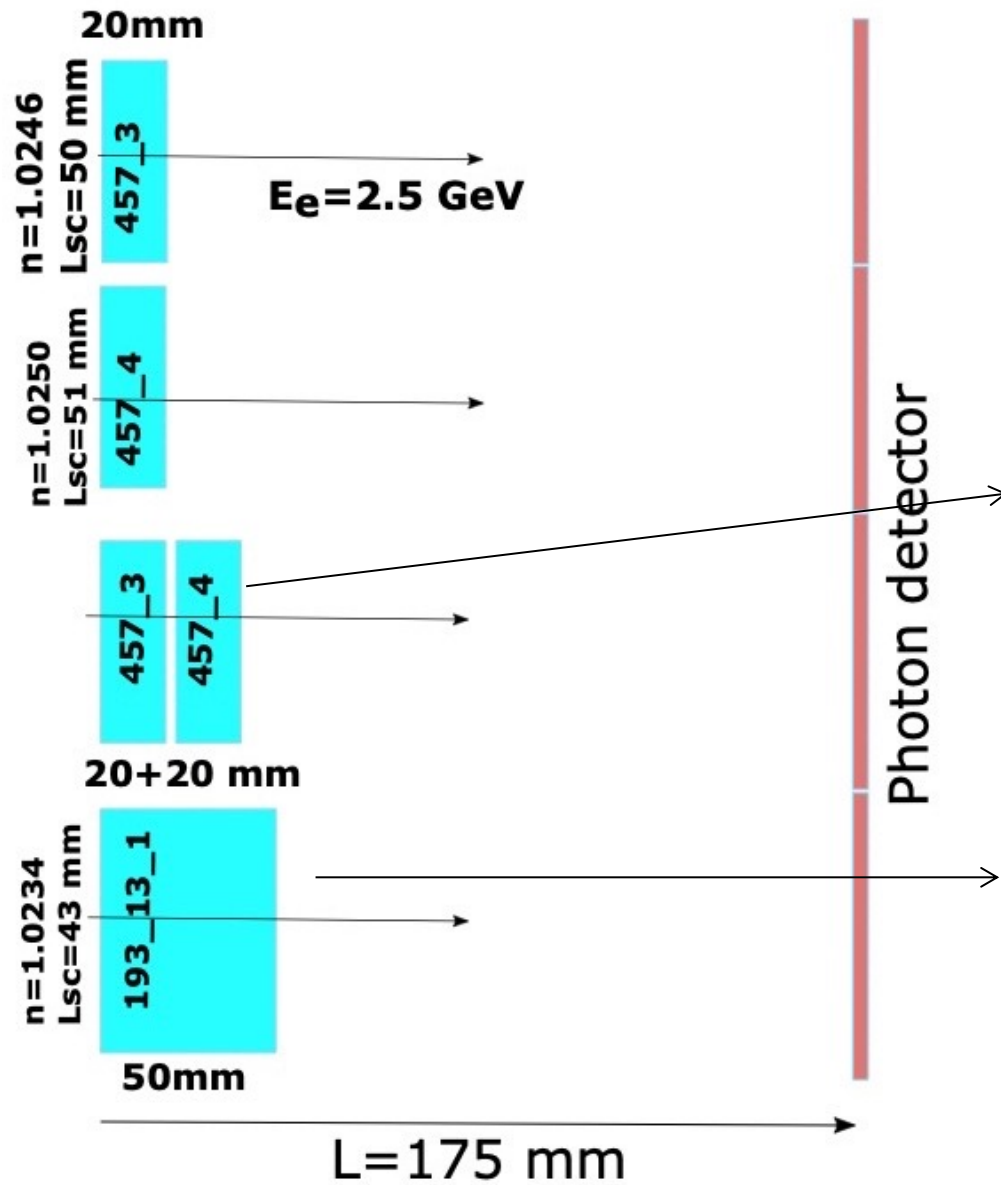


4 MaPMT H12700

- ① Scintillation counters with air light collection
- ② Bending magnet
- ③ GEM-detectors
- ④ FARICH prototype
- ⑤ NaI-calorimeter



Scheme & Results of beam test (May 2022)

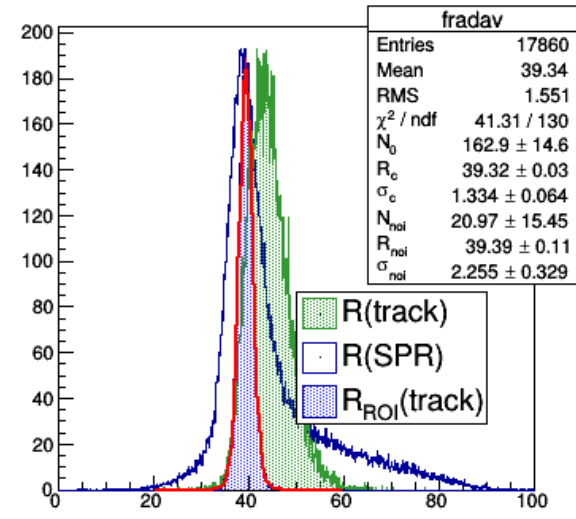
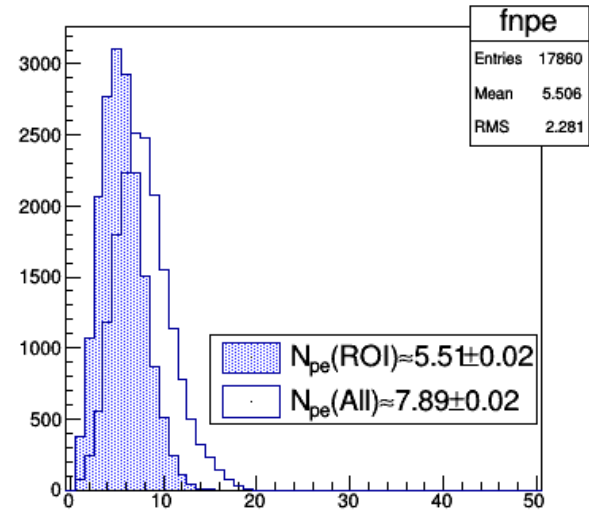
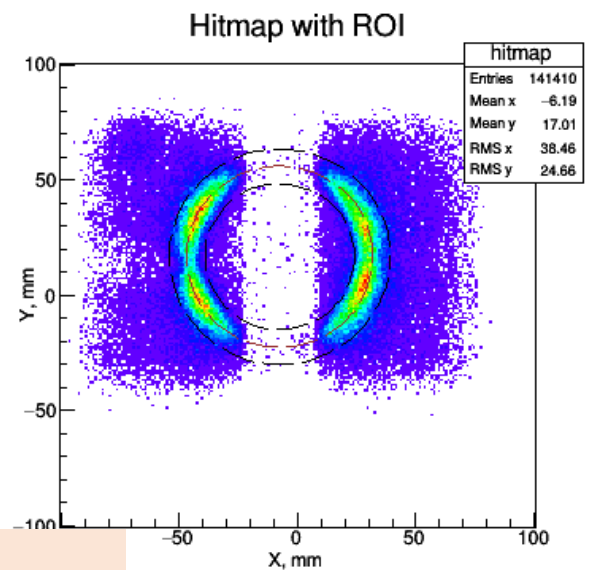


Влияние эффектов поверхности в стопке (457f3+457f4)

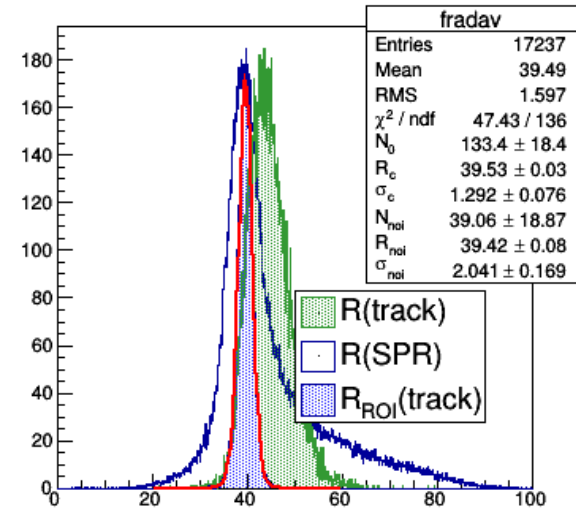
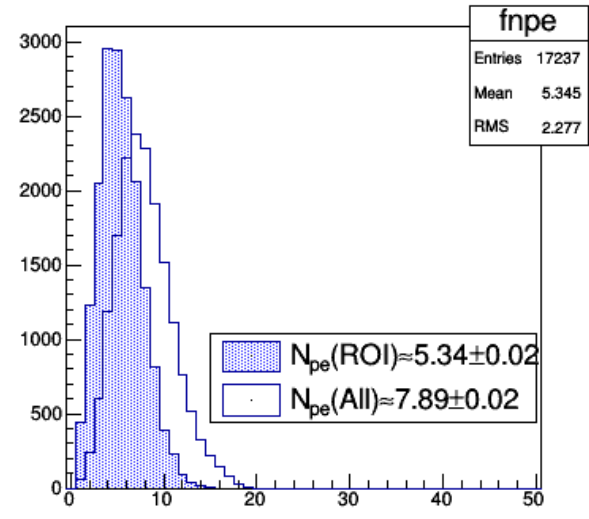
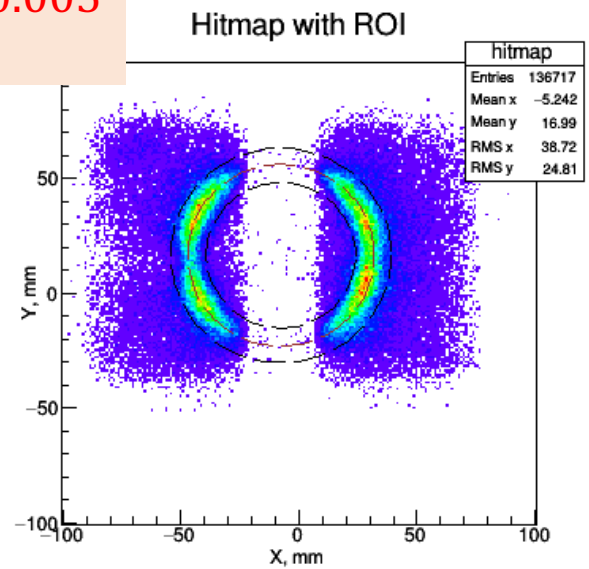
$$\frac{\sigma_R^{opt.s+opt.s}}{\sigma_R^{opt.s+bot.s}} \approx 1.03 \pm 0.07$$

$$\frac{N_{pe}^{opt.s+opt.s}}{N_{pe}^{opt.s+bot.s}} = \frac{5.51}{5.34} \approx 1.032 \pm 0.005$$

“Opt.s”+“Opt.s” → PD



“Opt.s”+“Bot.s” → PD



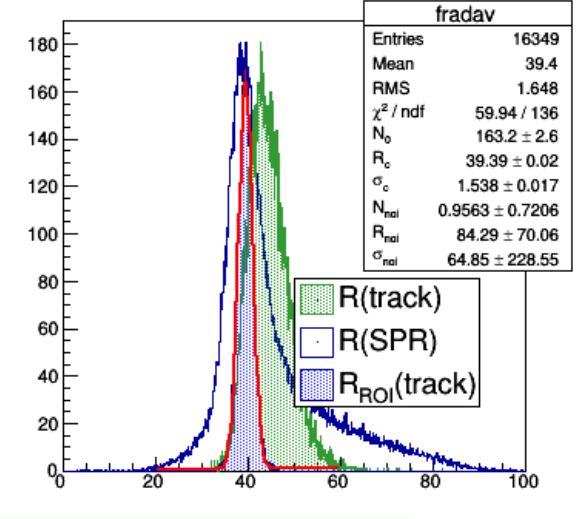
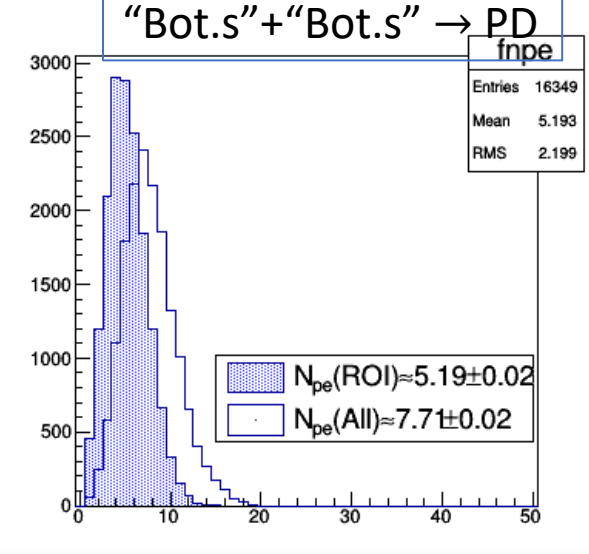
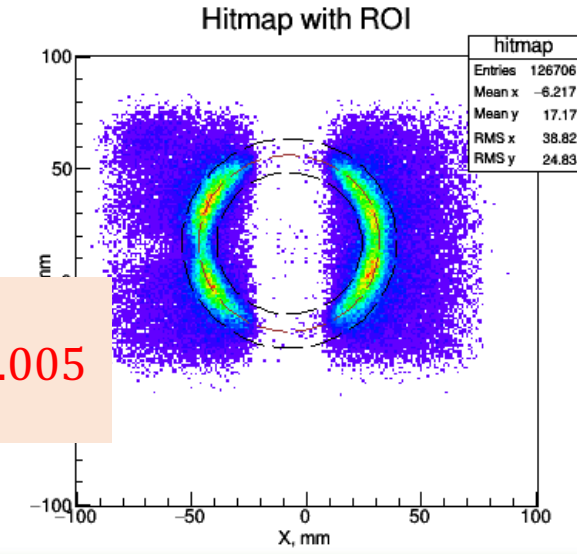
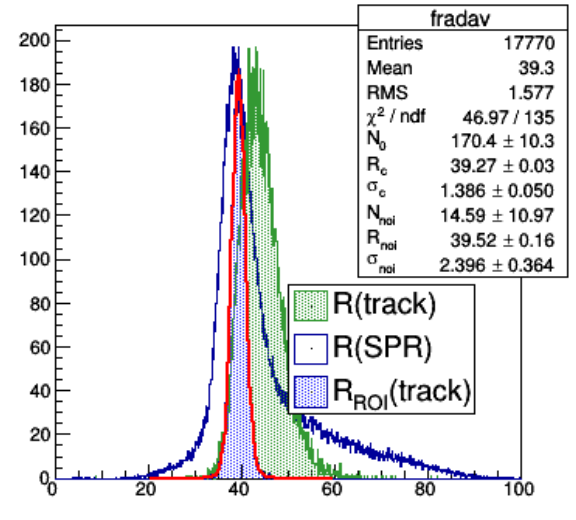
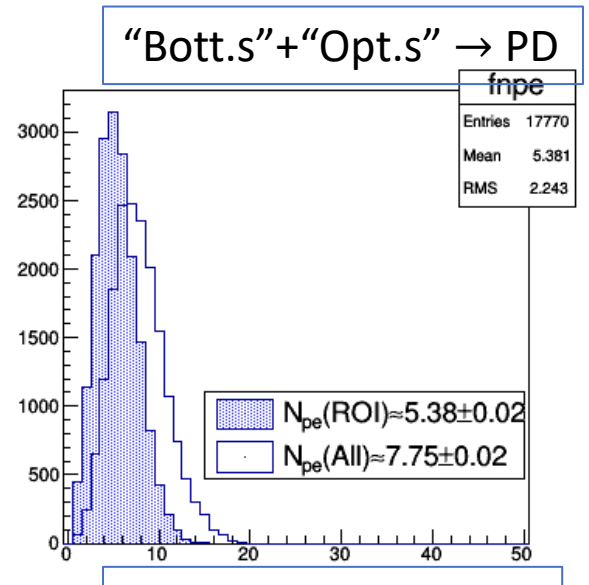
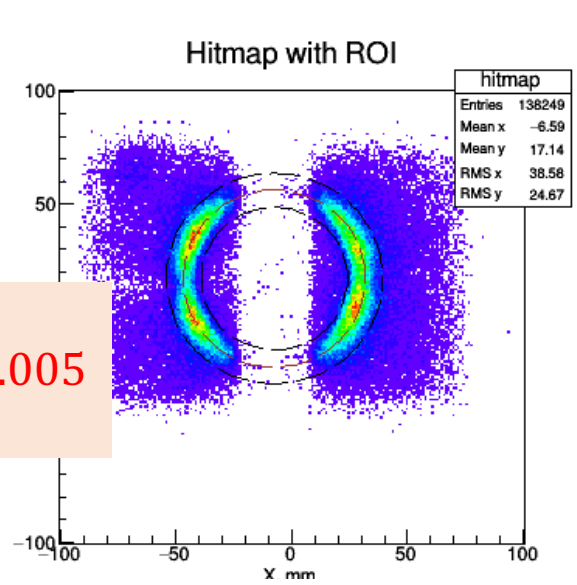
Влияние эффектов поверхности в стопке (457f3+457f4)₍₂₎

$$\frac{\sigma_R^{opt.s+opt.s}}{\sigma_R^{bot.s+opt.s}} \approx 0.96 \pm 0.07$$

$$\frac{N_{pe}^{opt.s+opt.s}}{N_{pe}^{bot.s+opt.s}} = \frac{5.51}{5.38} \approx 1.024 \pm 0.005$$

$$\frac{\sigma_R^{opt.s+opt.s}}{\sigma_R^{bot.s+bot.s}} \approx 0.87 \pm 0.07$$

$$\frac{N_{pe}^{opt.s+opt.s}}{N_{pe}^{bot.s+bot.s}} = \frac{5.51}{5.19} \approx 1.062 \pm 0.005$$

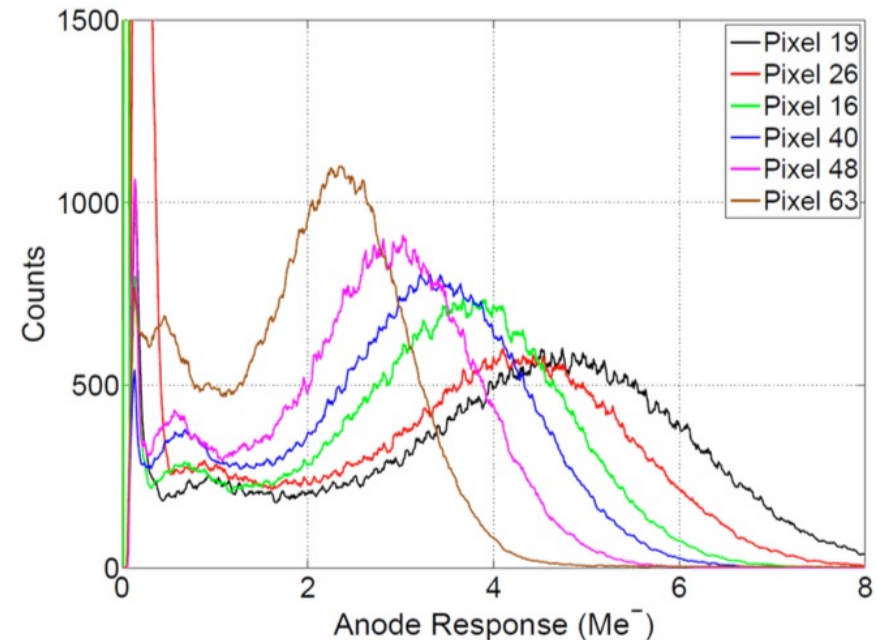
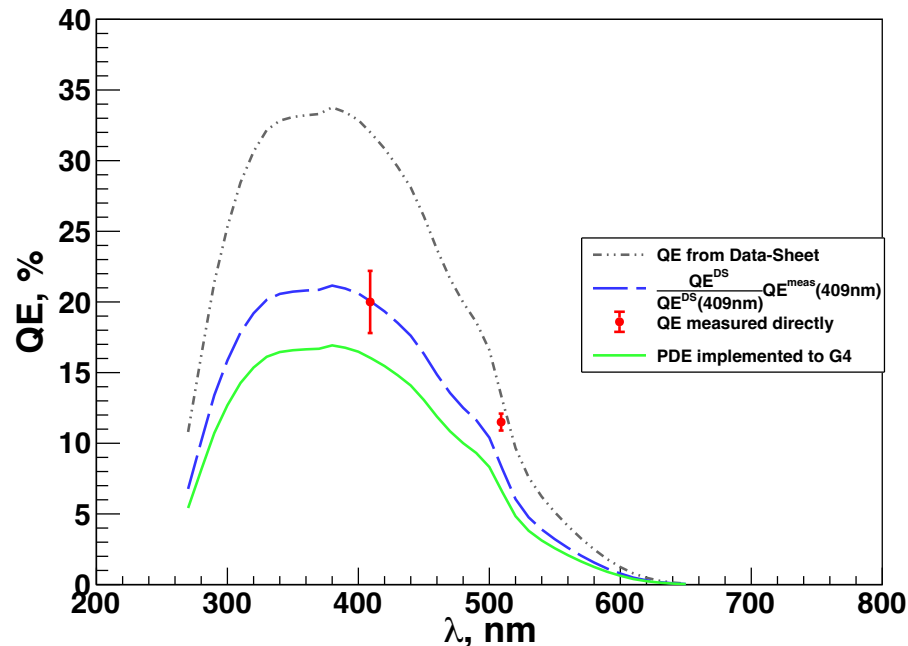


Due to scattering effects on the bottom aerogel surfaces the N_{pe} loss is about 3–4% for single layer samples and about 6% for stack of two samples. While the resolution degradation becomes sensible (13%) only in case of stack of two aerogel samples.

TBeam simulation with G4: input data.

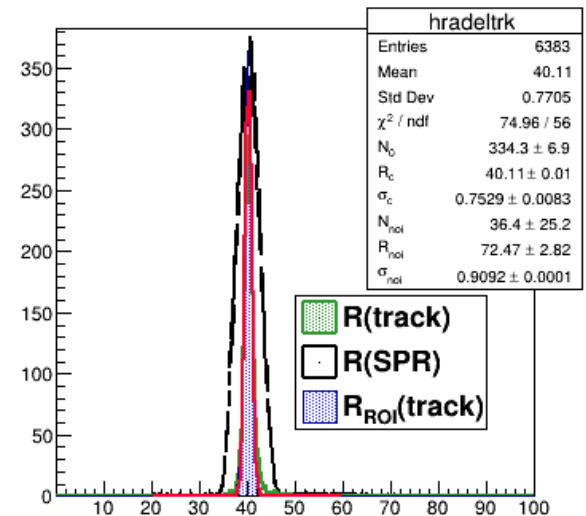
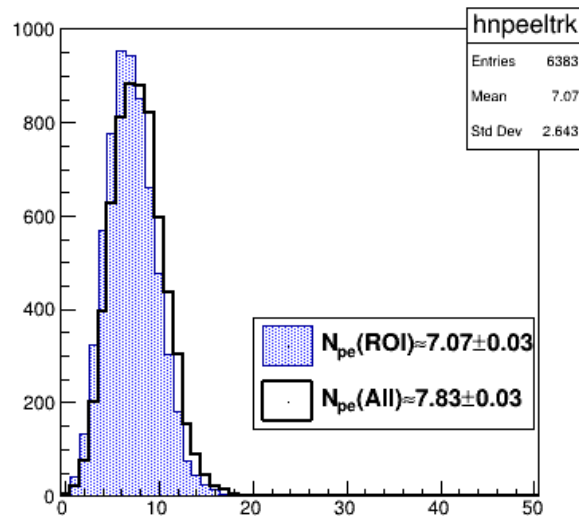
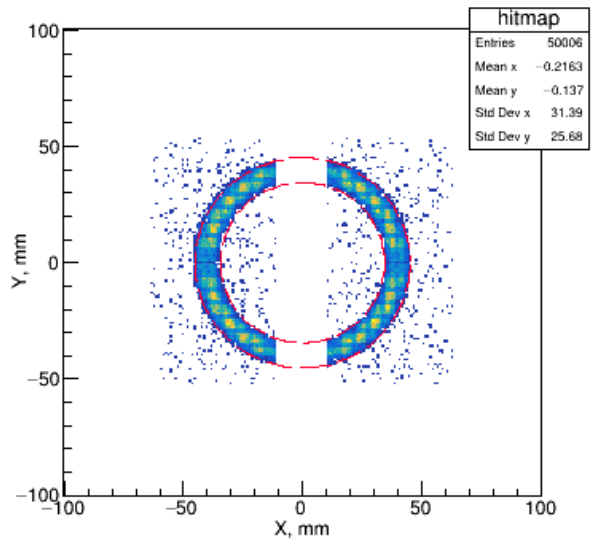
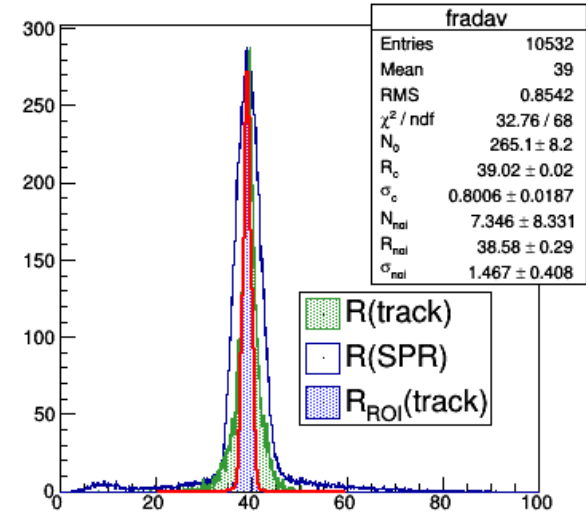
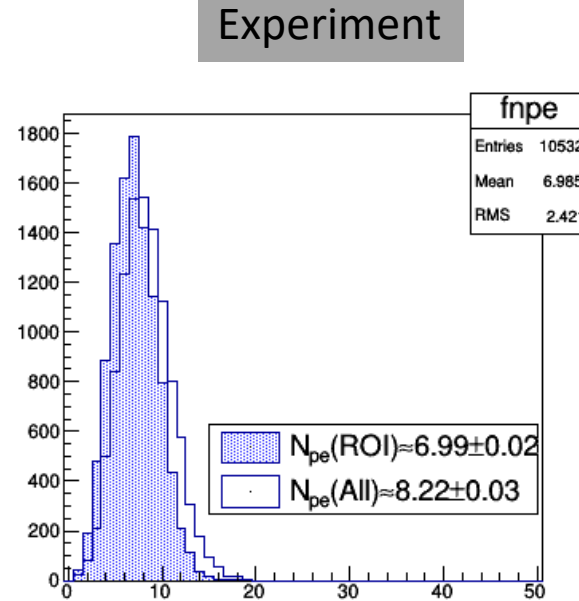
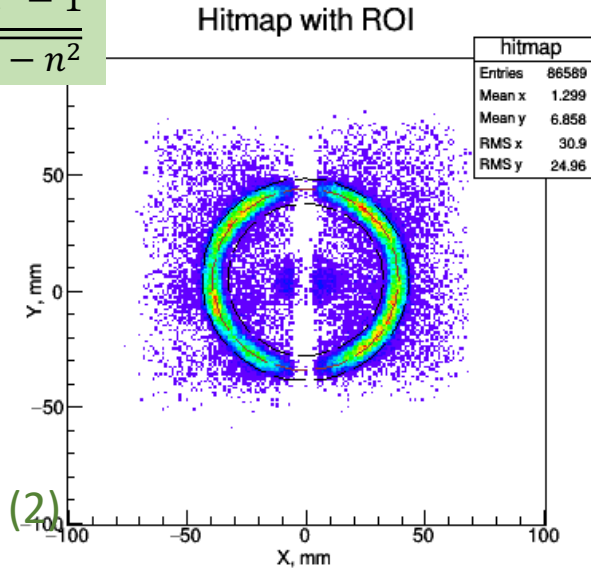
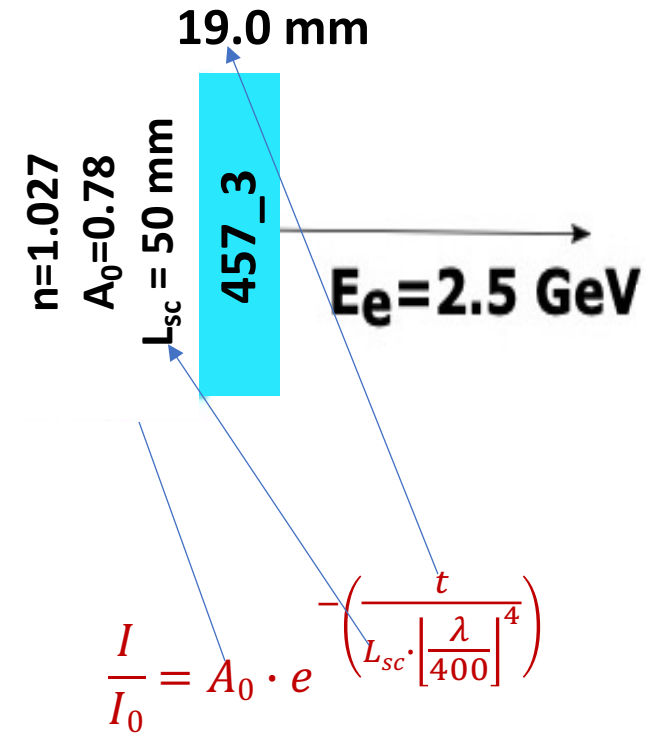
- To perform quantitatively comparison TBeam results with G4 simulation it is necessary to implement in simulation very correct data on aerogel parameters (n , L_{sc} , $thick$) and also about photon detector parameters such like **Geometry** and **PDE**.
- As a $QE(\lambda)$ we will use data for MaPMT H12700 from manufacturer (Hamamatsu) data-sheet (DS) normalized on our own direct measurement $QE(\lambda=409nm)$ performed with laser light source(see the pictures below: left).
- Also it is necessary to take into account that flat-panel MaPMTs have non 100% photoelectron collection efficiency (CE). According to investigations (Ref. [arXiv:1506.04302v2 \[physics.ins-det\] 5 Oct 2015](https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.04302v2)) about 20% of photoelectrons are able to give by 5 times smaller amplitude than a single photoelectron peak due to skip of the first dynode stage (see the pictures below: right). It means that if the read out electronics discriminator threshold is set $\sim 0.1-0.2pe$ we will lose about 20% of photoelectrons.
- In the G4 simulation is implemented recalculated photon detection efficiency (PDE):

$$PDE(\lambda) = \frac{QE(\lambda)^{DS}}{QE(409nm)^{DS}} QE(409nm)^{Meas} \cdot CE = \frac{QE(\lambda)^{DS}}{32\%} 20\% \cdot 0.8$$



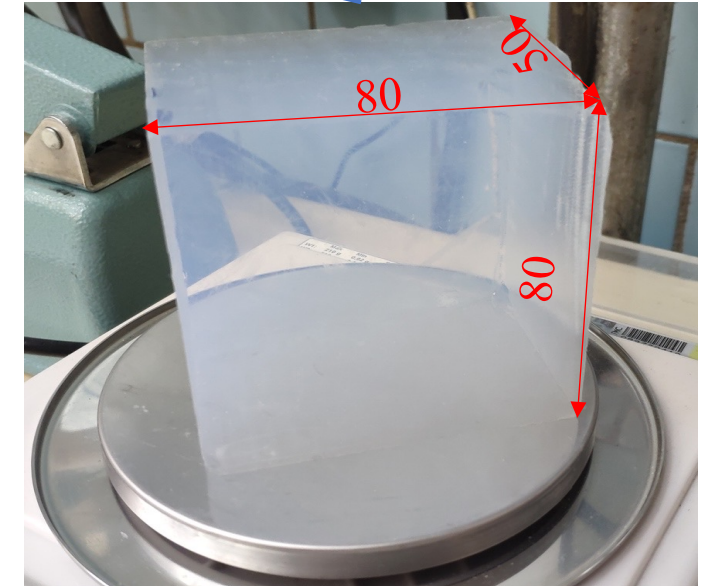
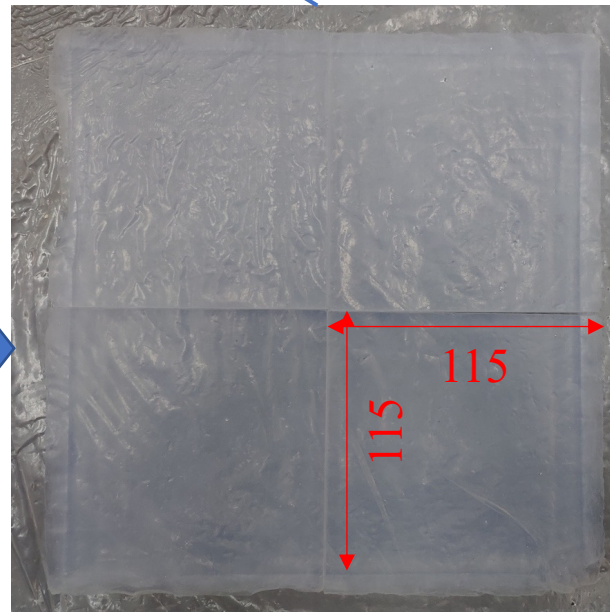
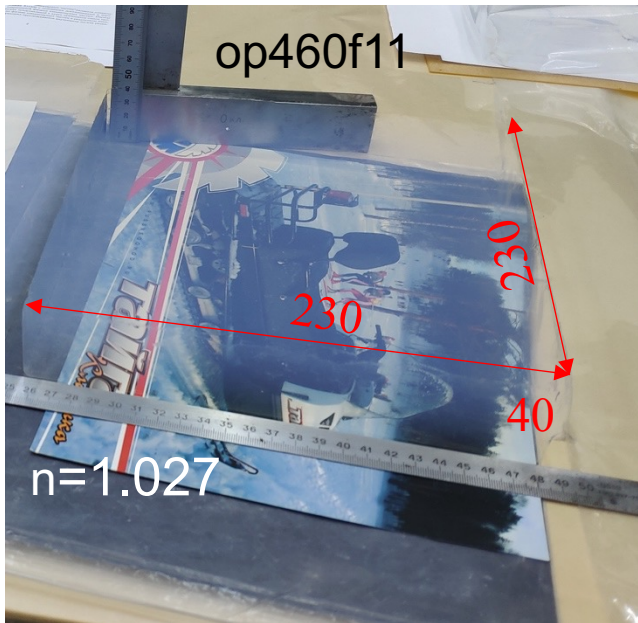
Tbeam and G4sim comparison (single – thin 457-3)

$$(L - t_{Aer}) \cdot \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \leq R_{ROI} \leq L \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{\sqrt{2 - n^2}}$$



Scheme & Results of beam test (Dec 2022)

- The new aerogel samples were produced in 2022 to be tested in mRICH prototype with mixed hadron beams in 2023-2024.
 - Refractive index of all tiles $n = 1.028 \pm 0.001$;
 - $L_{sc}(400\text{nm})$ for all blocks $\geq 43\text{mm}$;
 - 7 aerogel tiles 30 mm 100x100 mm
 - 4 aerogel tiles 40 mm 100x100 mm
 - 1 aerogel tile 50 mm 80x80 mm;
- The general idea of the experiment was to investigate the quality of new aerogels and estimate the impact from aerogel itself to overall mRICH prototype resolution.
- PD and beamline configurations were the same as in November 2022. It allow us to perform direct comparison of results from these two beam test campaigns (Nov and Dec 2022).



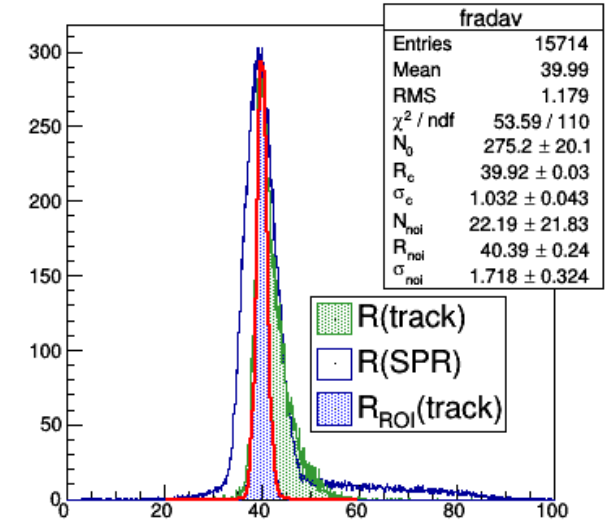
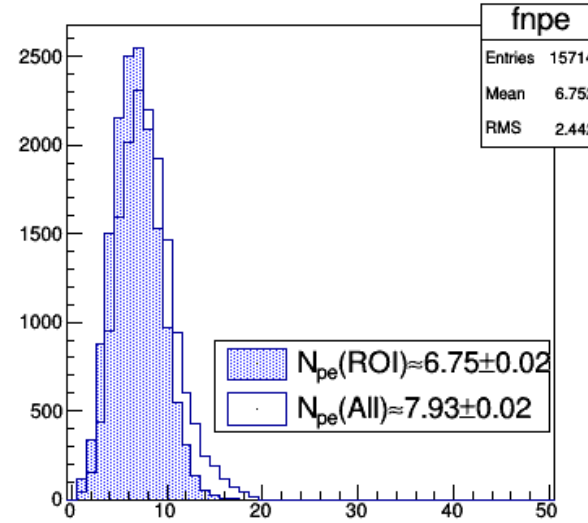
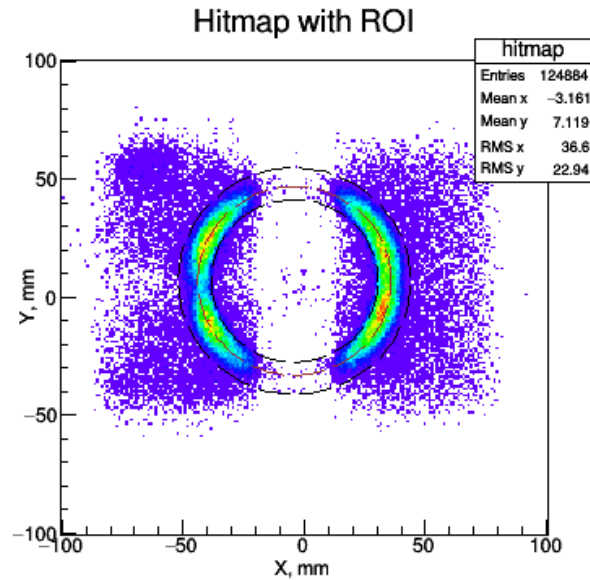
Aerogel with 30 mm thickness (460f4)

460f4_4

T(5 hours)=**470°C**

n=1.027

$L_{sc}(400nm)=47.0\pm 0.7$ mm

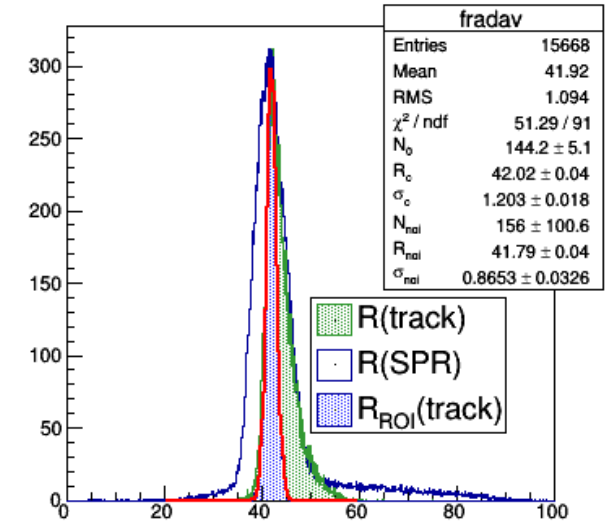
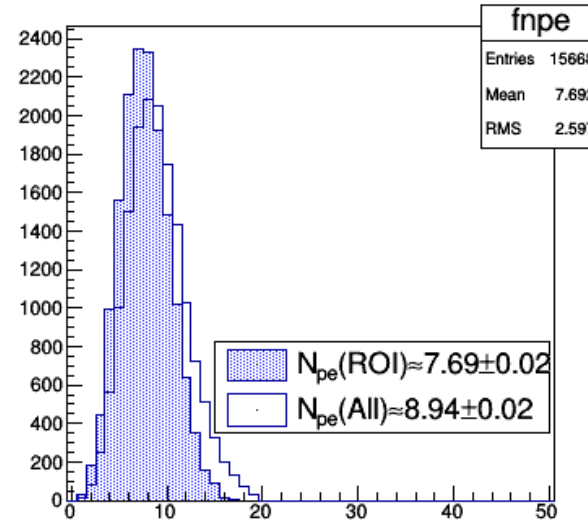
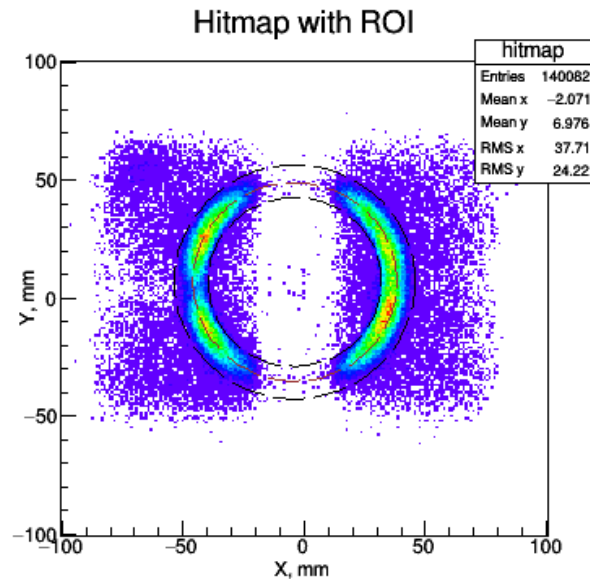


460f4_3

T(5 hours)=**600°C**

n=1.029

$L_{sc}(400nm)=41.8\pm 0.7$ mm



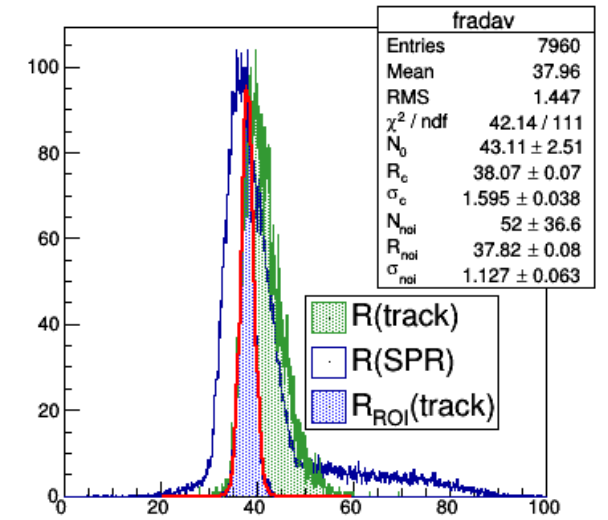
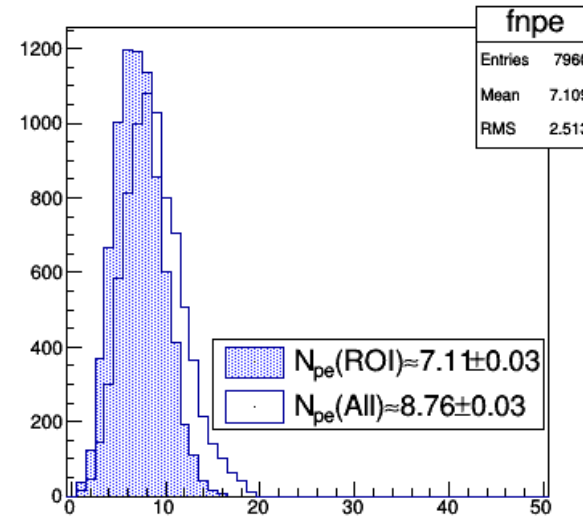
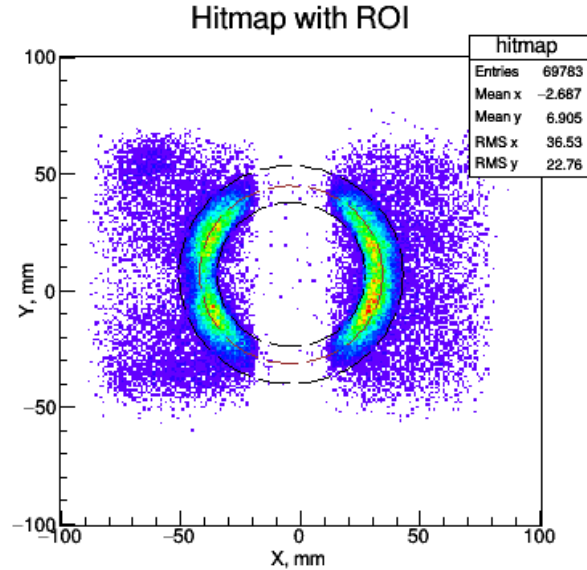
Aerogel with 40 mm thickness (460f11)

460f11_21

T(5 hours)=**470°C**

n=1.028

$L_{sc}(400nm)=48.2\pm 0.7$ mm

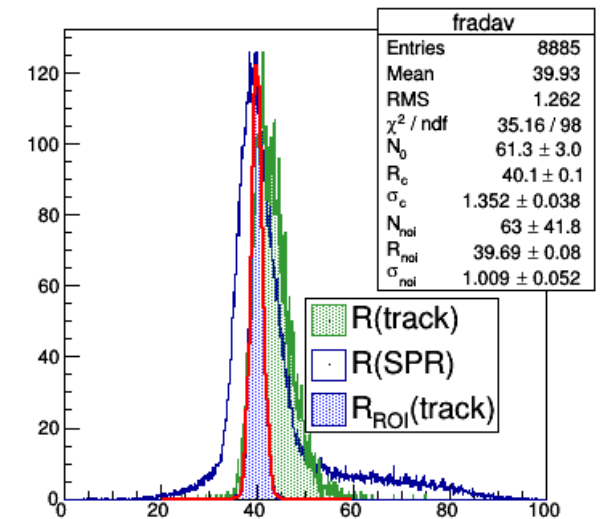
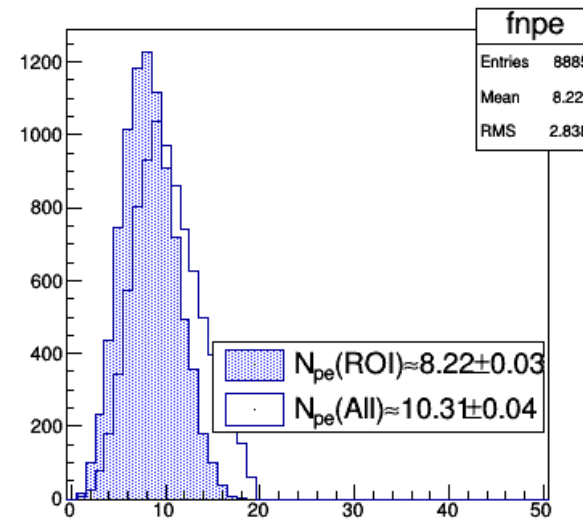
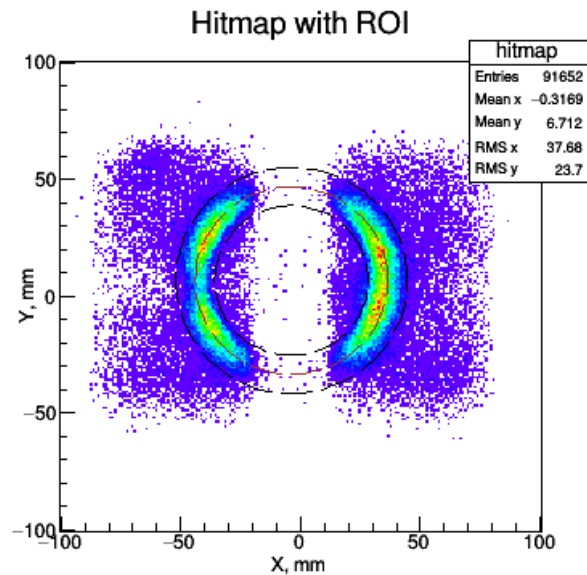


460f11_22

T(5 hours)=**600°C**

n=1.029

$L_{sc}(400nm)=42.7\pm 0.7$ mm



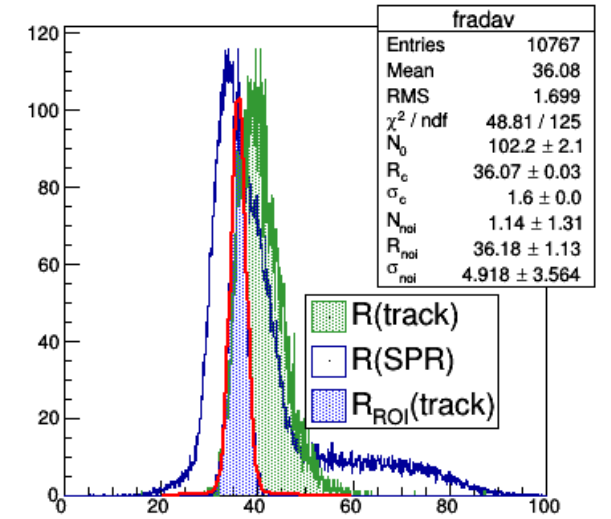
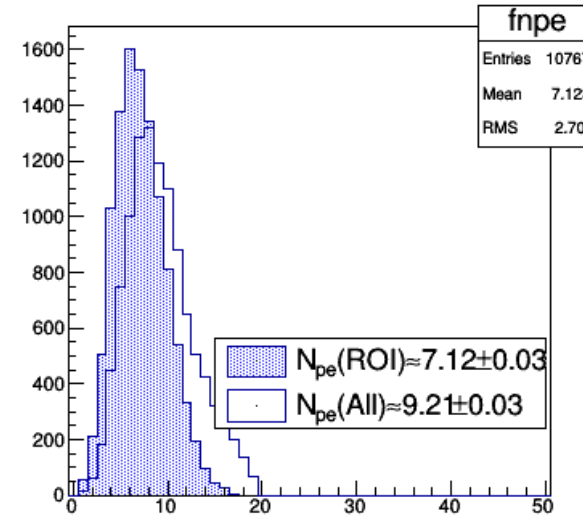
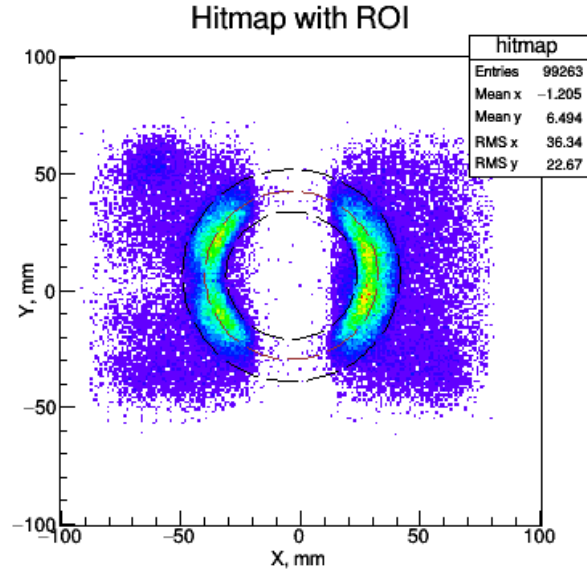
Aerogel with 50 mm thickness (460f15)

460f15_1

T(5 hours)=**470°C**

n=1.027

$L_{sc}(400nm)=43.7\pm 0.6$ mm

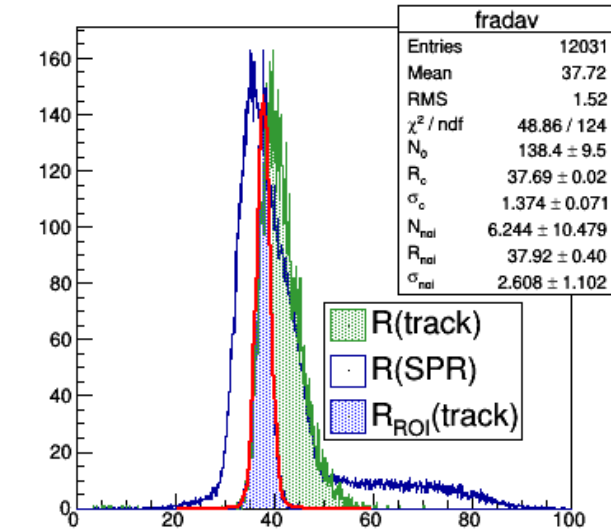
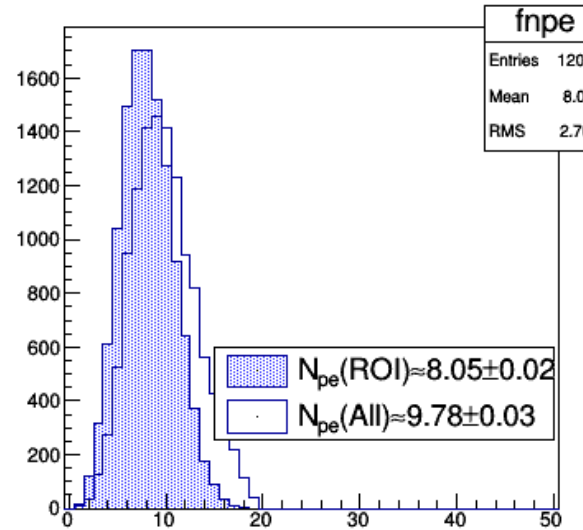
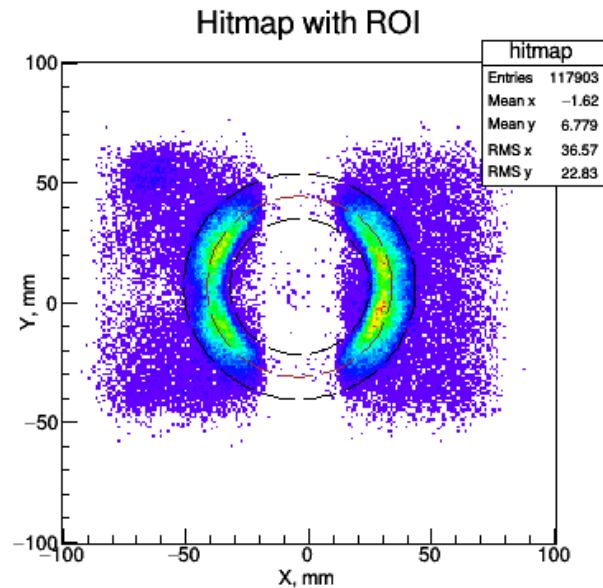


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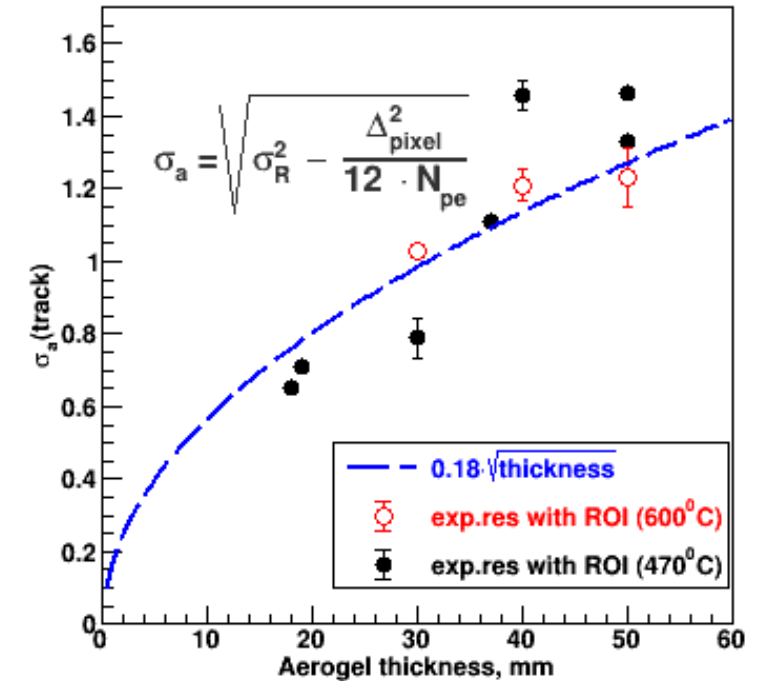
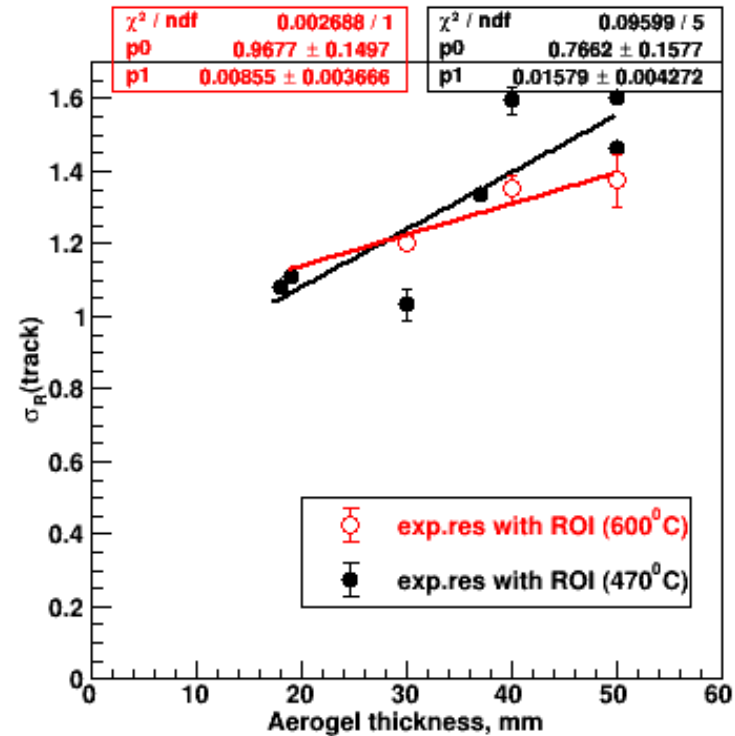
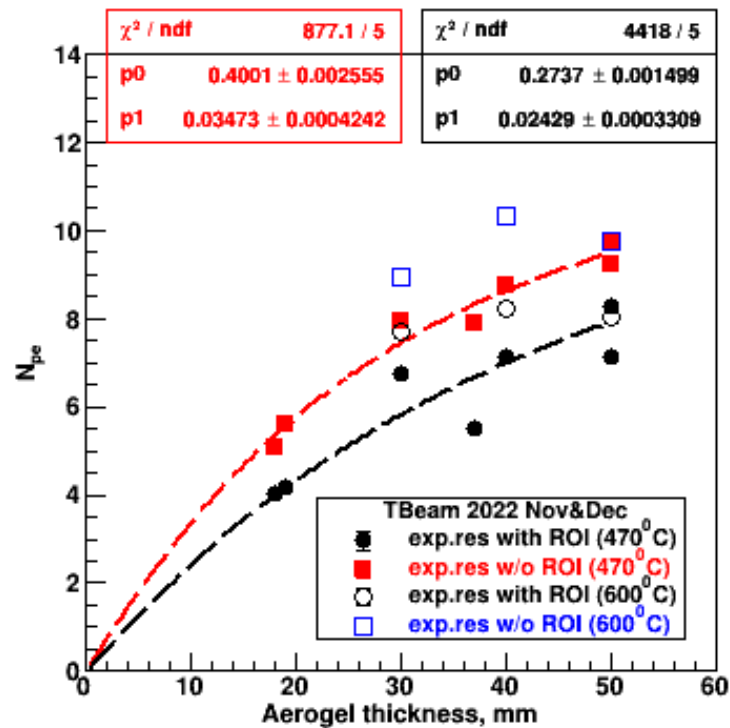
T(5 hours)=**600°C**

n=1.029

$L_{sc}(400nm)=41.7\pm 0.6$ mm

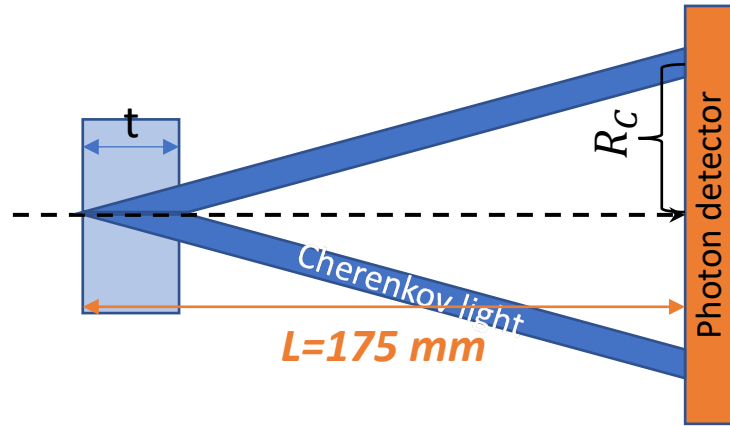
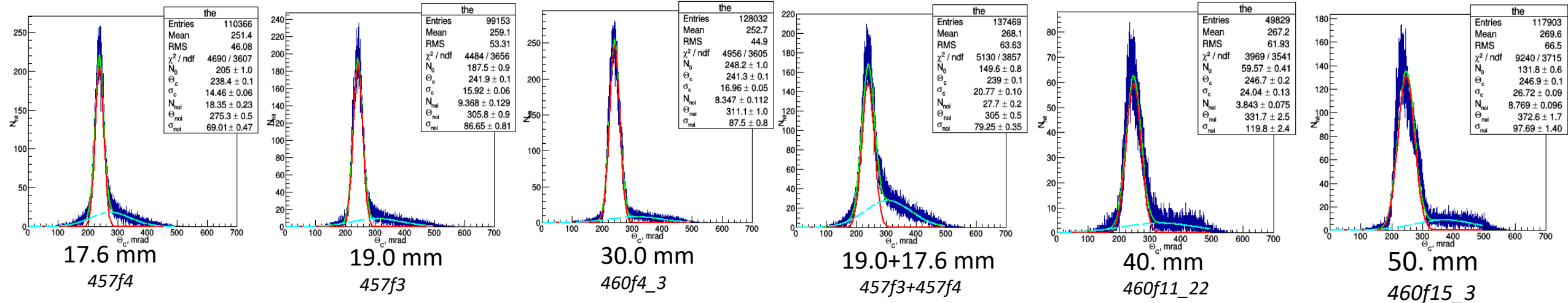


Dependence of N_{pe} and σ_R on aerogel thickness



- N_{pe} depends on the aerogel thickness as expected and limited by the Rayleigh light scattering law.
- Some systematic increase of N_{pe} ($\sim 13\div 15\%$) are observed in new thick aerogels after increase of backing temperature ($470^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow 600^\circ\text{C}$). This effect could not be quantitatively explained by increase of refractive indexes ($1.027 \rightarrow 1.029$) and it is contra to N_{pe} decrease ($\sim 5\div 6\%$) expected due to Rayleigh light scattering decrease ($L_{sc}(400\text{nm}, 1.027) \approx 47\text{mm} \rightarrow L_{sc}(400\text{nm}, 1.029) \approx 41\text{mm}$)
- $\sigma_R \sim \sqrt{\text{thickness}}$ (as expected), while for several aerogel samples some deviations σ_R from the dependence are observed. The reason of this effect could be in some impurities inside the aerogel which are able to give additional small angle forward scattering.

Cherenkov angle single photon resolution (SPR)



	457f4	457f3	460f4_3	457f3_f4	460f11_22	460f15_3
t/L , mm	17.6/185	19.0/175	30.0/185	36.6/185	40.0/185	50.0/185
$\sigma_{\theta_c}^{SPR}$, mrad	14.46 ± 0.06	15.92 ± 0.06	16.96 ± 0.05	20.8 ± 0.1	24.0 ± 0.1	26.7 ± 0.1
N_{pe}^* - 60% of the ring	4.01 ± 0.01	4.16 ± 0.01	7.69 ± 0.02	5.51 ± 0.02	8.22 ± 0.03	8.05 ± 0.02
$\sigma_{\theta_c}^{trk} = \frac{\sigma_{\theta_c}^{SPR}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}}$, mrad	7.2	7.8	6.1	8.9	8.4	9.4
$\sigma_{R_C}^{ROI}$, mm	1.11 ± 0.03	1.08 ± 0.04	1.20 ± 0.02	1.33 ± 0.06	1.35 ± 0.04	1.37 ± 0.07
$\sigma_{\theta_c}^R \approx \frac{1}{n^2} \frac{\sigma_{R_C}}{L - t/2}$	5.9	6.15	6.65	7.5	7.7	8.1

$$\theta_C^R = \arctan\left(\frac{R_C}{L - t/2}\right),$$

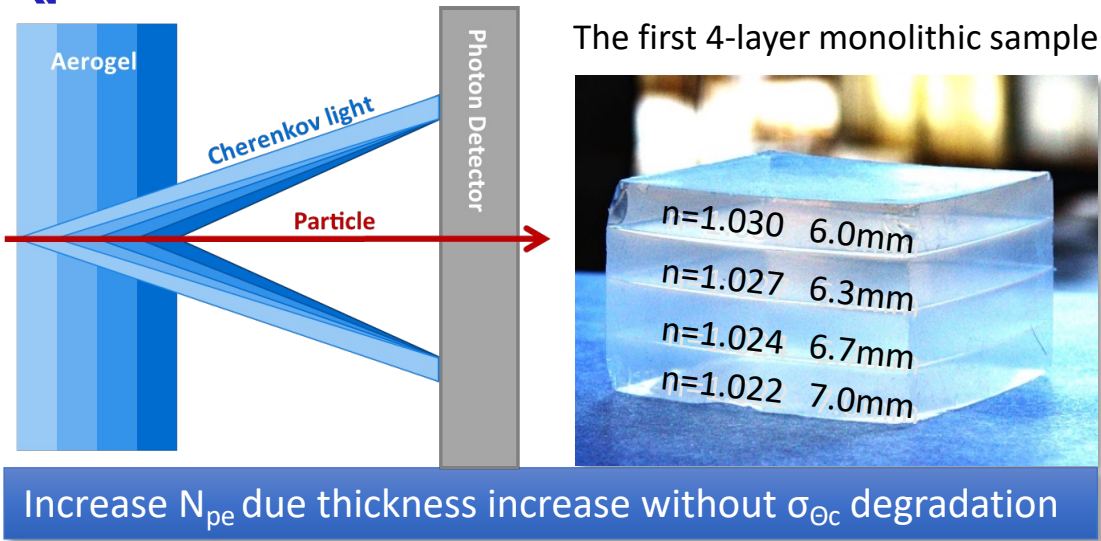
$$\sigma_{\theta_c}^R = \cos^2 \theta_C \left(\frac{1}{L - t/2}\right) \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_{R_C}^2 + \tan^2 \theta_C \cdot (\sigma_L^2 + \sigma_t^2)} \approx \frac{1}{n^2} \frac{\sigma_{R_C}}{L - t/2},$$

How much effect from Fresnel lens is expected?!

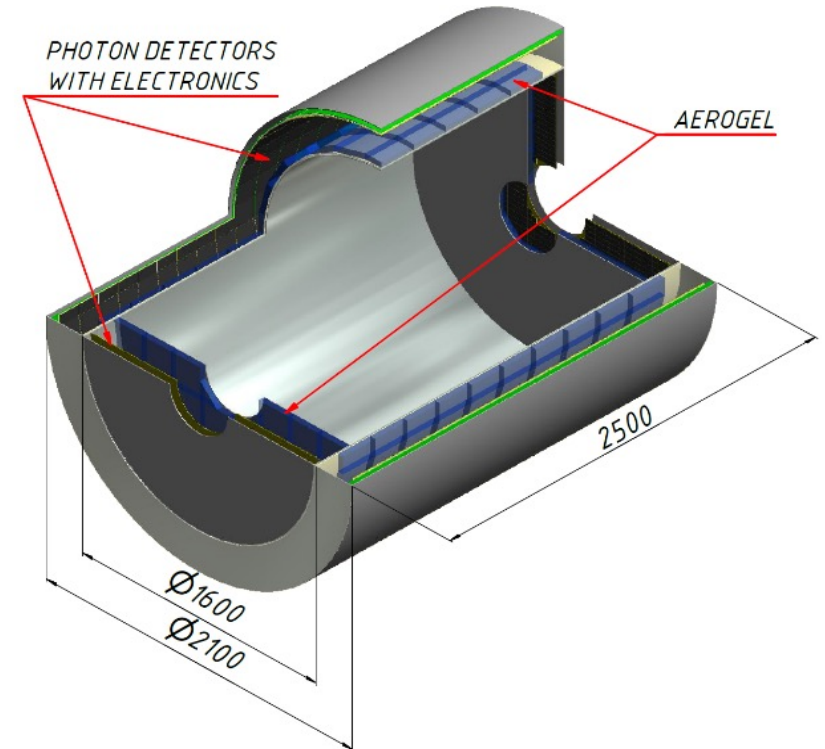
FARICH – Focusing Aerogel RICH



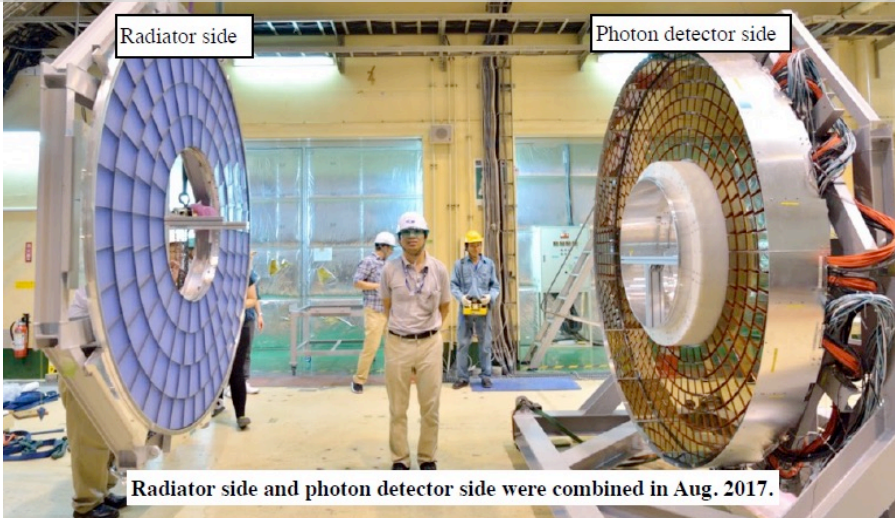
FARICH option for SCTF



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The Belle II (ARICH) is the first application of the method

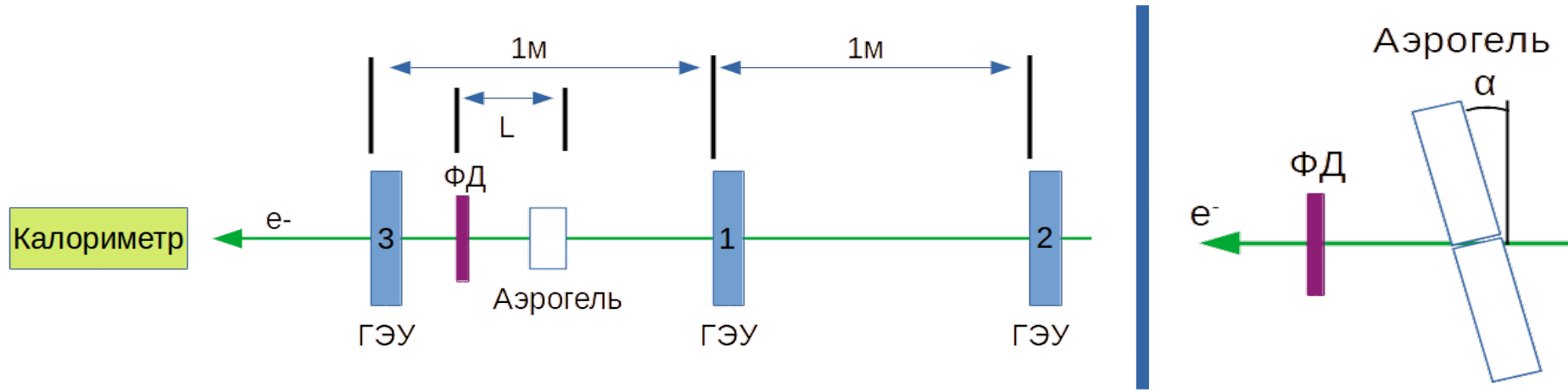


The capability of μ/π -separation at the level of $\geq 3\sigma$ for $P=1$ GeV/c was shown at CERN beam test in 2012

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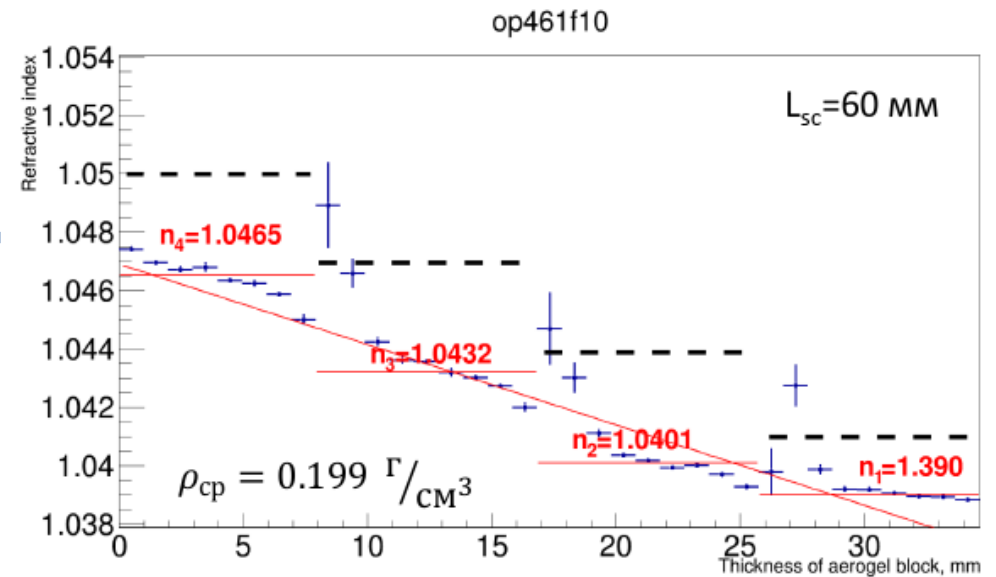
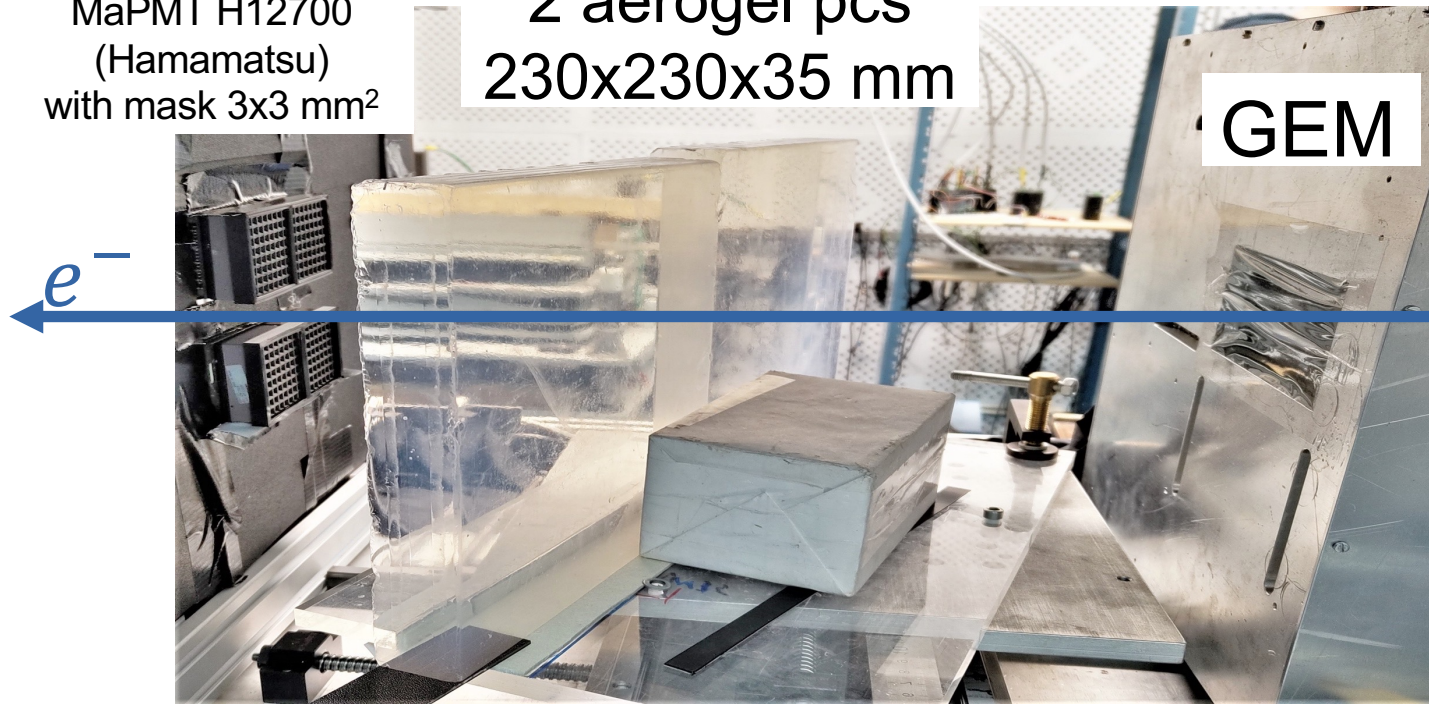
- Proximity focusing RICH
- 4-layer focusing aerogel
 - $n_{\max} = 1.05$ (1.07?), total thickness 35 mm
 - $S_{aer} = 15 \text{ m}^2$
- 21 m^2 – total area of photon detectors
 - SiPMs – barrel part (16 m^2)
 - MCP-PMT – endcap parts (4 m^2)
- $\sim 10^6$ pixels $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$ with pitch 4 mm

The largest 4-layers focusing aerogel samples



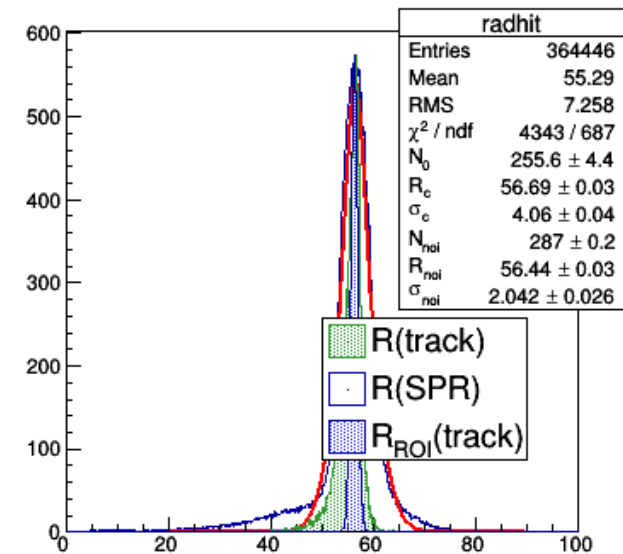
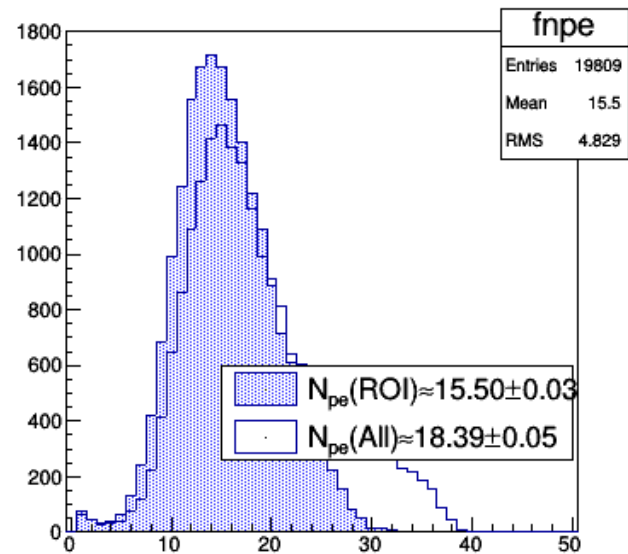
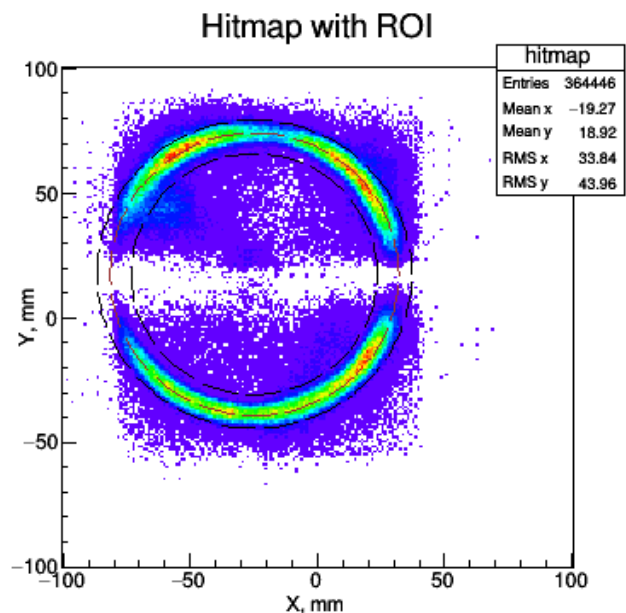
MaPMT H12700
(Hamamatsu)
with mask 3x3 mm²

2 aerogel pcs
230x230x35 mm

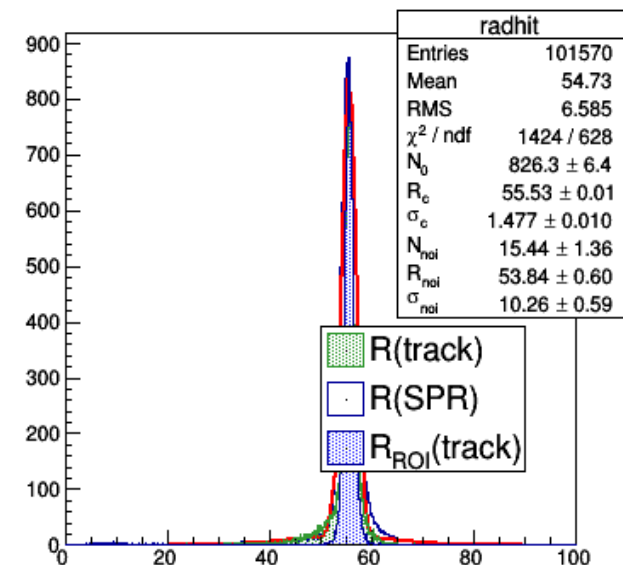
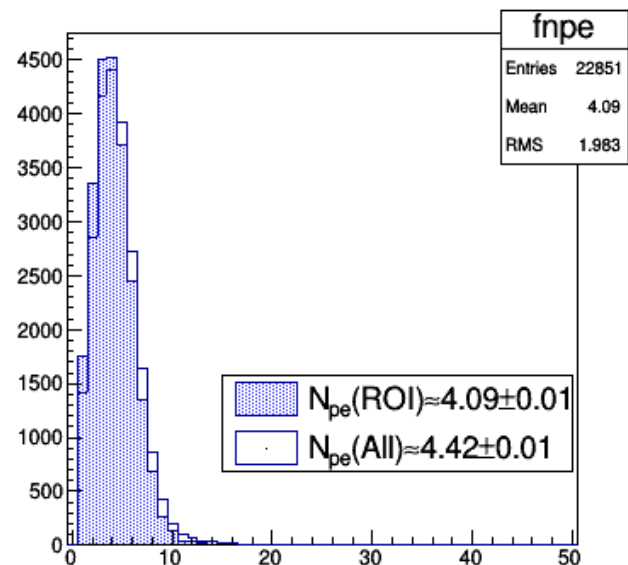
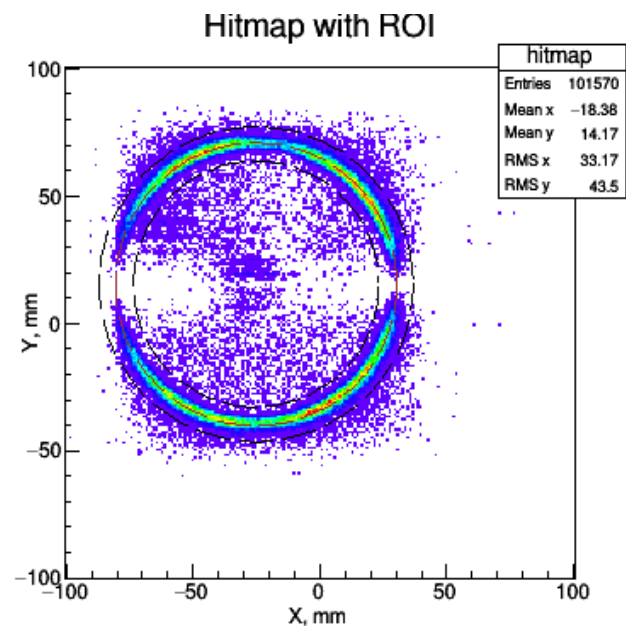


Beam test results

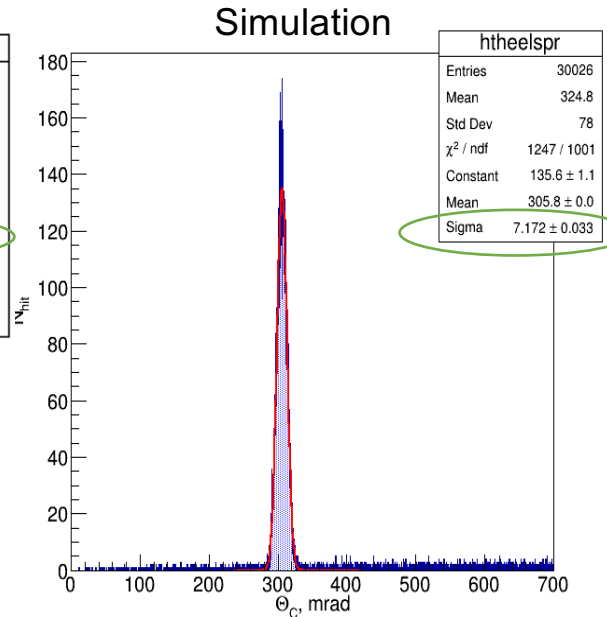
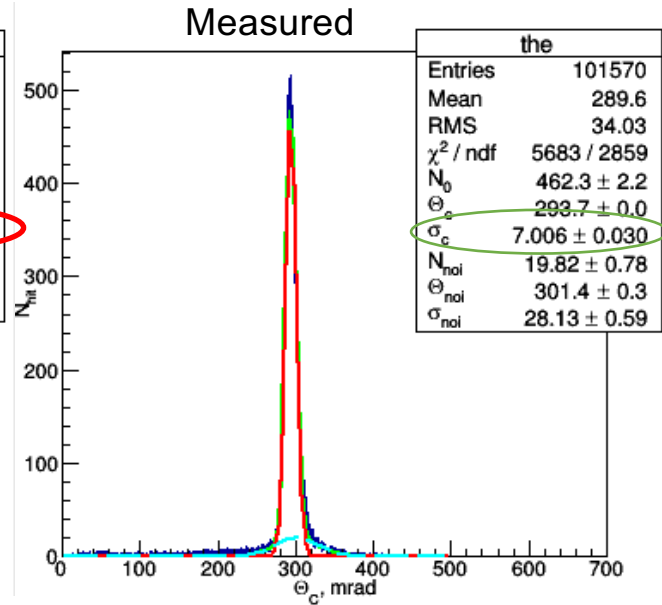
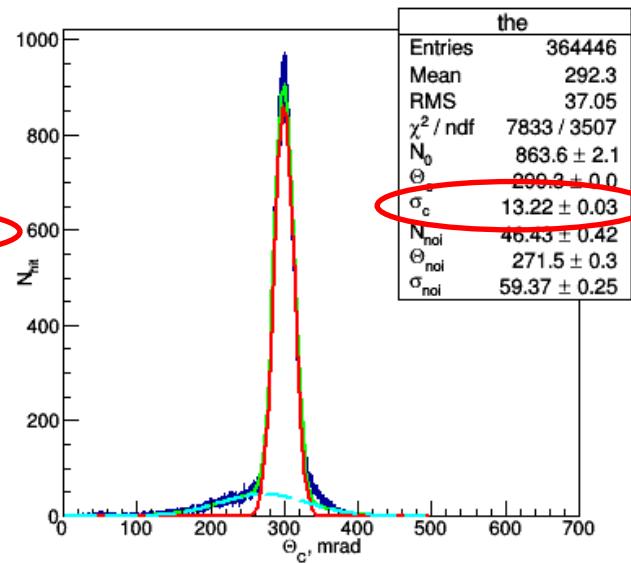
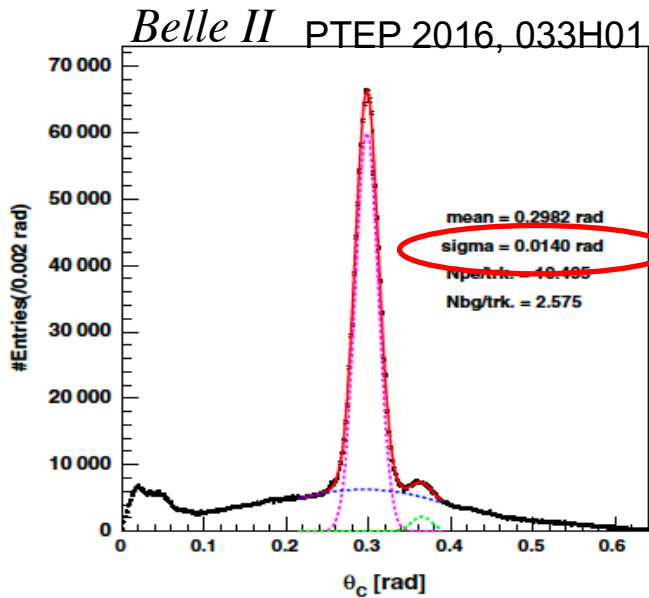
Pixel 6x6 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 80%



Pixel 3x3 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 20%



Cherenkov angle Single PhotoElectron (SPE) resolution



Аэрогель: 20+20 mm (Tchiba Univ.)
 n(400nm): 1.045 +1.055
 Pixel: 5x5 mm

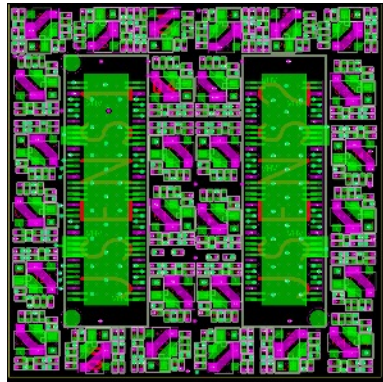
4-layers (Novosibirsk) →
 1.039 ÷ 1.046
 6x6 mm

—
 —
 3x3 mm

4-layers (ideal profile)
 1.041 ÷ 1.050
 3x3 mm

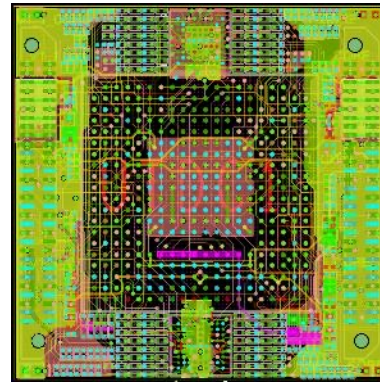
Position-sensitive photon detectors

FEE based on FPGA-TDC



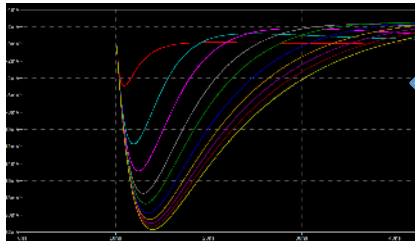
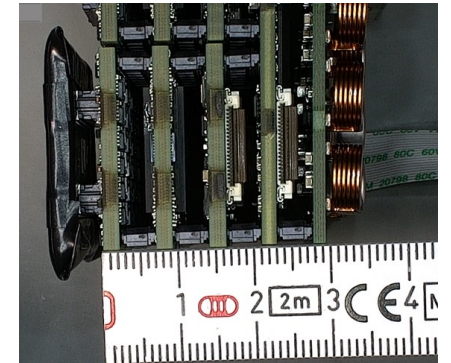
Amplifier board

- 27×27 mm² size
- 14-layer PCB
- 30x gain, 64 channels
- couples to KETEK 8×8 SiPM array



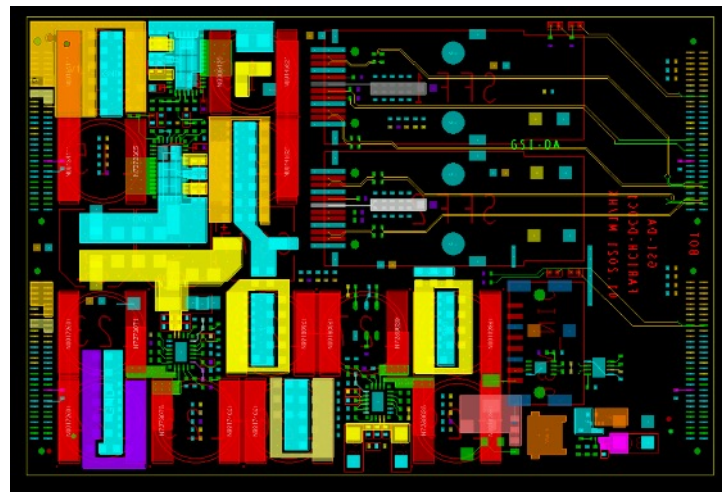
TDC board

- 64 channels
- 2 TDC + 4 threshold FPGAs
- 10ps precision



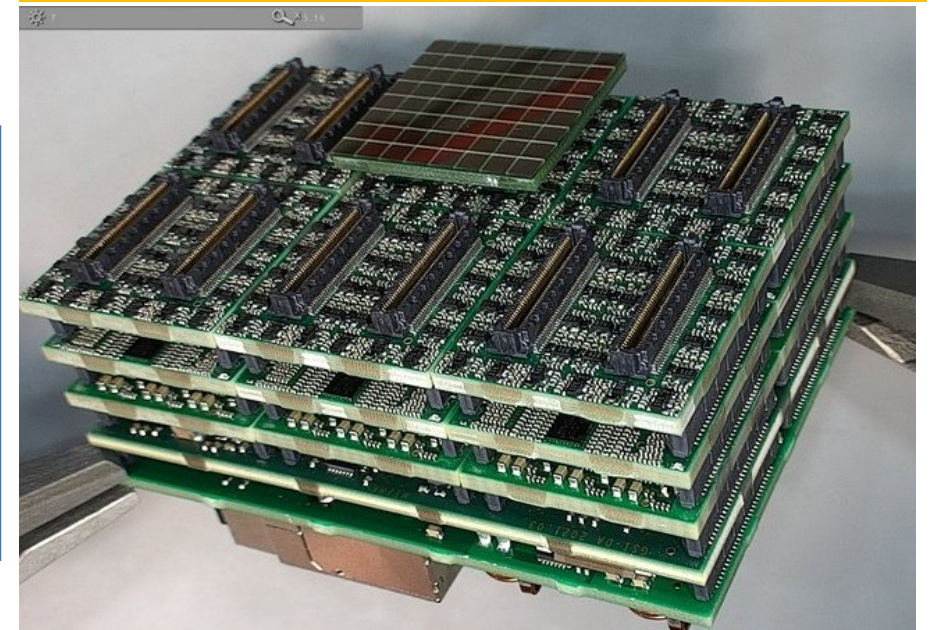
Simulated single photon pulse shapes from amplifier for different input resistance. ~ 22mV amplitude can be achieved.

- Each module readouts 6 arrays 8x8 pixels and equipped with optical transceiver.
- Thickness of 5-layer design is less than 5 cm.



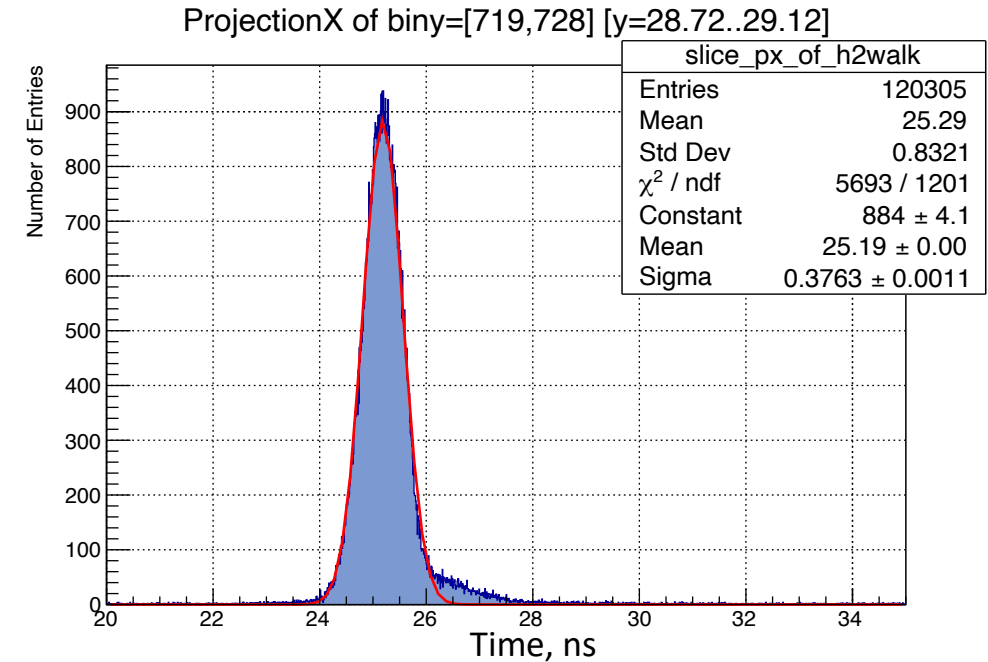
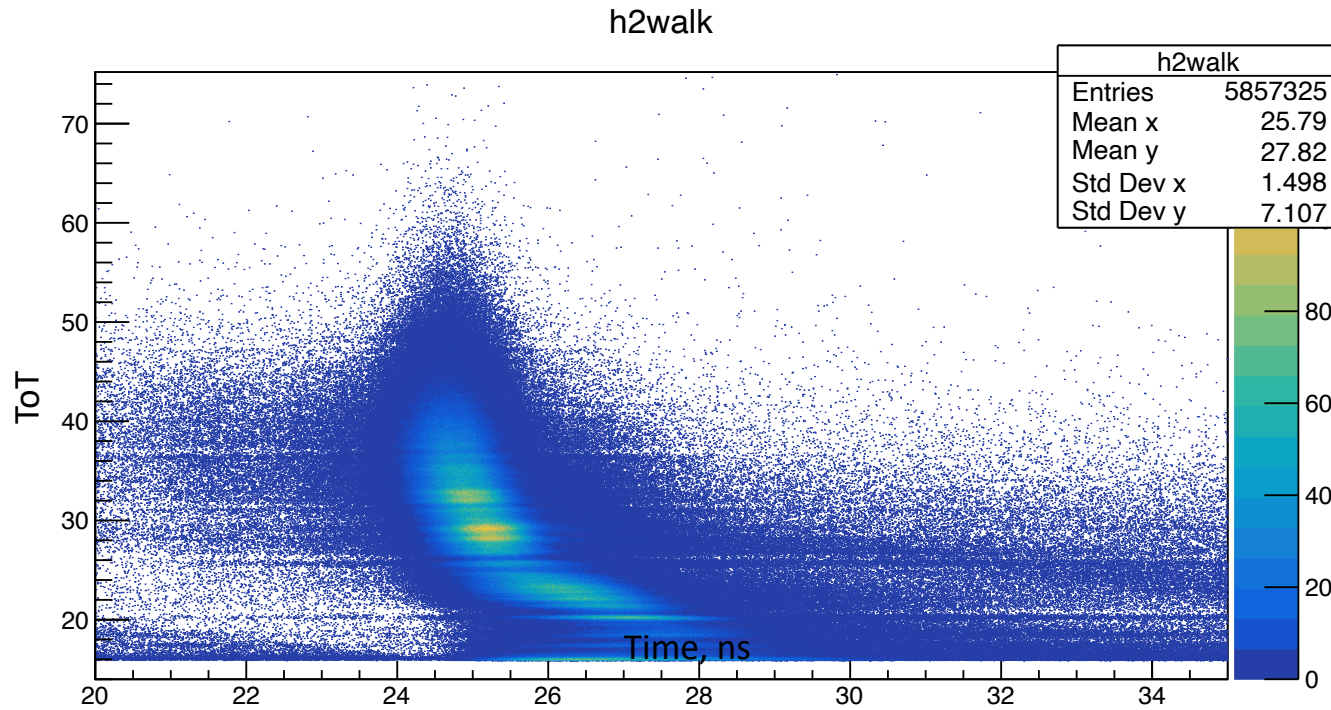
DC-DC converter board

- goes behind the backplane
- 51×84 mm² size
- provides power to SiPMs, amplifiers, FPGA
- uses air inductive coils to operate in the detector magnetic field
- power, trigger & clock connectors



The first tests of *FaRICH-Auslese-System*

FPGA-TDC (FaRICH-Auslese-System) to readout 2304 SiPMs developed and produced in GSI.



The tests performed by Michael Traxler, Matthias Hoek and Merlin Böhm at HIM-Institute in Mainz.

- Everything works as expected: ToT(Time) is as expected for single photon distribution.
- Single photon detection time resolution without any corrections and proper TDC calibration is about 380ps (it is good enough value for FaRICH), while intrinsic resolution of TDC is about $8 \div 12$ ps.
- A lot of dark counts are in the data (every 3rd hit is noise). Thermostabilization or cooling is needed for future tests.

Позиционно-чувствительные ФЭУ с МКП



HRPPD (Income)
10x10 см; пиксел 2.5x2.5 мм
Цена: ~20к\$

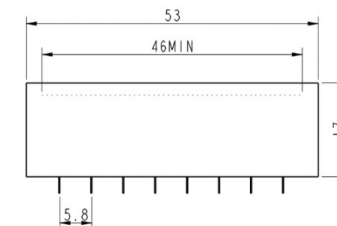
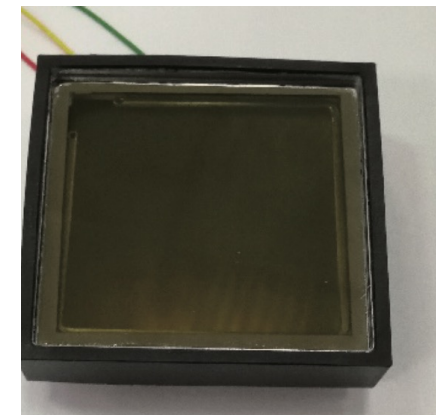
Hamamtsu R10754-016-M16(N)



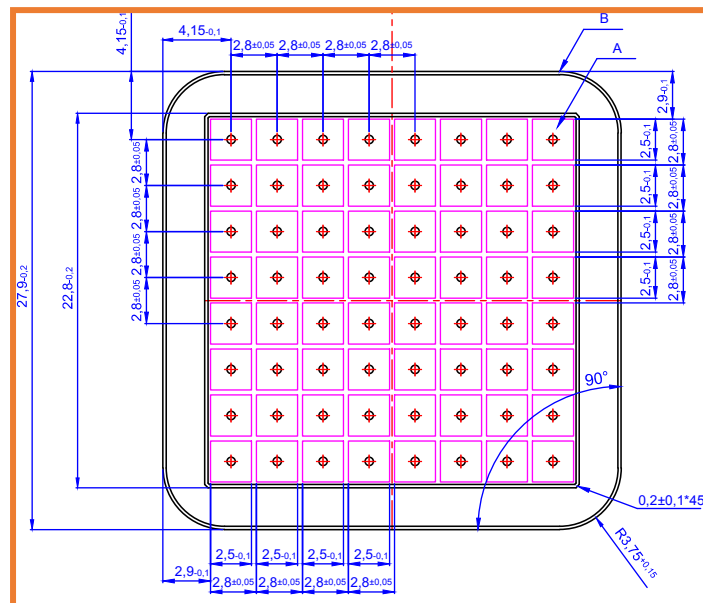
4x4 пикселя; 5x5 мм
Цена: 900 тыс. Йен



Planacon XR85112
8x8 пикселей; 6x6 мм
Цена: 15к\$



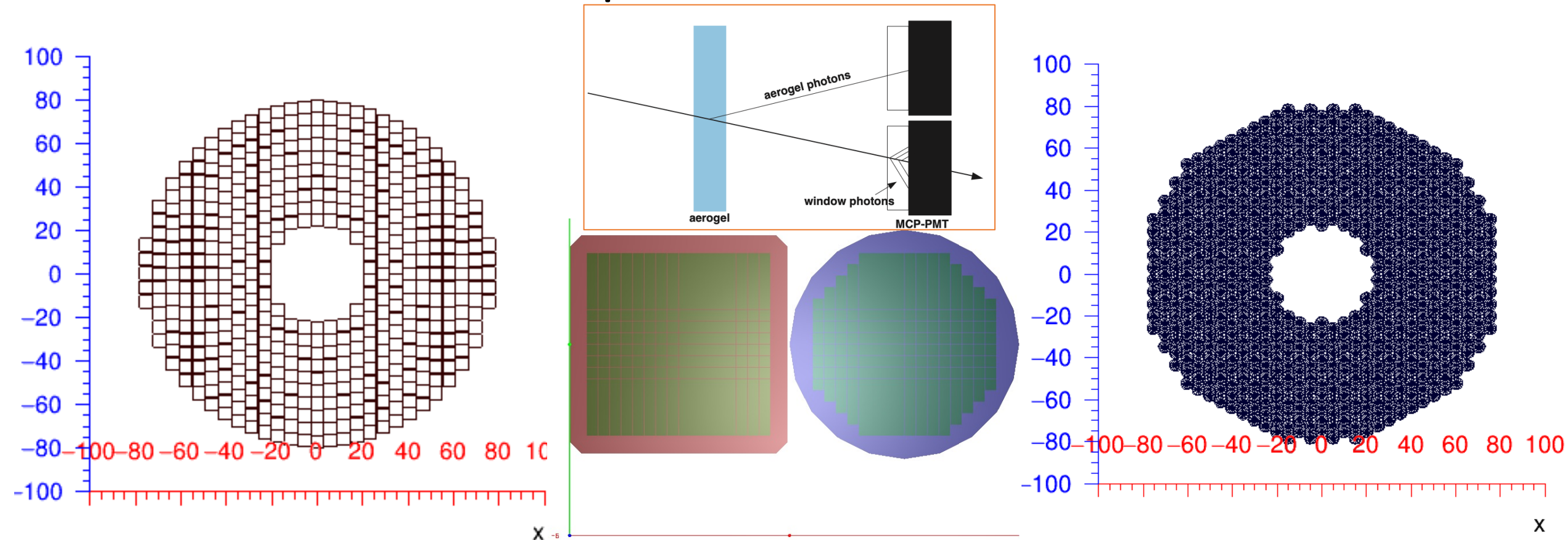
NNVT (Китай)
Цена: 18кЕвро



Коллектор ФЭУ с МКП
Концепция Экран ФЭП
(лето 2022г.)

Доступность: ???
Цена: ???

Round vs Square MCP-PMT for the RICH



516 PMTs ■ 58x58 mm (PC ■ 50x50 mm) →

$$Eff = \frac{516 \cdot 5 \times 5}{S_{endcap}} = \frac{12900 \text{ cm}^2}{18850 \text{ cm}^2} \approx 0.68$$

16x16=256 pixels 2.9x2.9 mm

$$Eff = \frac{516 \cdot 256 \cdot 0.29 \times 0.29}{S_{endcap}} = \frac{11109 \text{ cm}^2}{18850 \text{ cm}^2} \approx 0.59$$

594 PMTs ∅58 mm (PC ∅50 mm) →

$$Eff = \frac{594 \cdot \pi \cdot 2.5^2}{S_{endcap}} = \frac{12370 \text{ cm}^2}{18850 \text{ cm}^2} \approx 0.65$$

216 pixels 2.9x2.9 mm

$$Eff = \frac{594 \cdot 216 \cdot 0.29 \times 0.29}{S_{endcap}} = \frac{11444 \text{ cm}^2}{18850 \text{ cm}^2} \approx 0.57$$

Round vs Square MCP-PMT for the RICH (2)

To evaluate expected performance we can use recent FARICH beam test data:

- $N_{pe}^{H12700} \approx 16$
- $CE^{H12700} \approx 0.8$ – photoelectron collection efficiency ($CE^{MCP} \approx 0.6$)
- $GE^{TB} \approx 0.8$ – Geometrical Efficiency of Test Beam setup (GE^{exp} is determined by fill factor of photon detectors for the experimental setup)

$$N_{pe}^{expect} = \frac{N_{pe}^{H12700} \cdot CE^{MCP} \cdot GE^{exp}}{CE^{H12700} \cdot GE^{TB}}$$

Square shape MCP-PMT

- $GE^{exp} \approx 0.59$
- $N_{pe}^{expect} = \frac{16 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.59}{0.8 \cdot 0.8} \approx 8.8pe$ (for $\beta = 1$)
- $\sigma_{tr}^{\theta} = \frac{\sigma_{SPE}^{\theta}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}} = \frac{7 \div 8 \text{ mrad}}{\sqrt{8.8}} = 2.3 \div 2.7 \text{ mrad}$

Round shape MCP-PMT

- $GE^{exp} \approx 0.57$
- $N_{pe}^{expect} = \frac{16 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.57}{0.8 \cdot 0.8} \approx 8.5pe$ (for $\beta = 1$)
- $\sigma_{tr}^{\theta} = \frac{\sigma_{SPE}^{\theta}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}} = \frac{7 \div 8 \text{ mrad}}{\sqrt{8.5}} = 2.4 \div 2.7 \text{ mrad}$

μ/π @ 1 GeV/c:	$\frac{\theta_C^{\mu} - \theta_C^{\pi}}{\sigma_{tr}^{\theta}} = \frac{292 - 278}{2.5} = 5.6\sigma$
π/K @ 6 GeV/c:	$\frac{\theta_C^{\pi} - \theta_C^K}{\sigma_{tr}^{\theta}} = \frac{309 - 299}{2.5} = 3.9\sigma$

Addendum

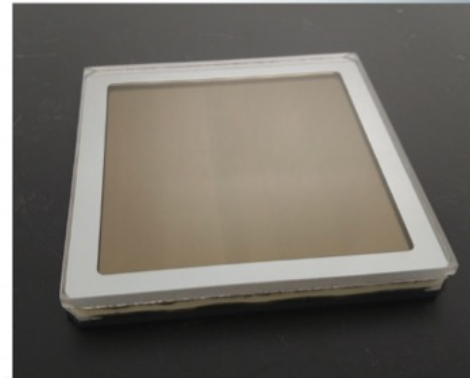
HRPPD

High Rate Picosecond Photon Detector

HRPPD – High Rate Picosecond Photodetector

- **10 cm x 10 cm MCP-PMT**
 - Chevron pair of ALD-functionalized MCPs (**10 μm**)
 - Glass/Ceramic package
 - Capacitive (CC) or Direct (DC) Coupling
 - **100 cm^2 active area (only spacers on edges)**
- **High Gain ($\sim 10^7$)**
- **Bialkali Antimonide Photocathode**
 - Sodium-Potassium-Antimony Na_2KSb
 - **>30% QE at 365 nm**
 - **>95% spatial uniformity**
- **Timing Resolution**
 - SPE: **~ 23 ps** (Vagnoni, INFN for 10 μm pores)
- **Position Resolution**
 - **< 0.6 (mm)** (dependent on readout board)
 - DC version has 1024 2.5 x 2.5 mm pixels

Available today!

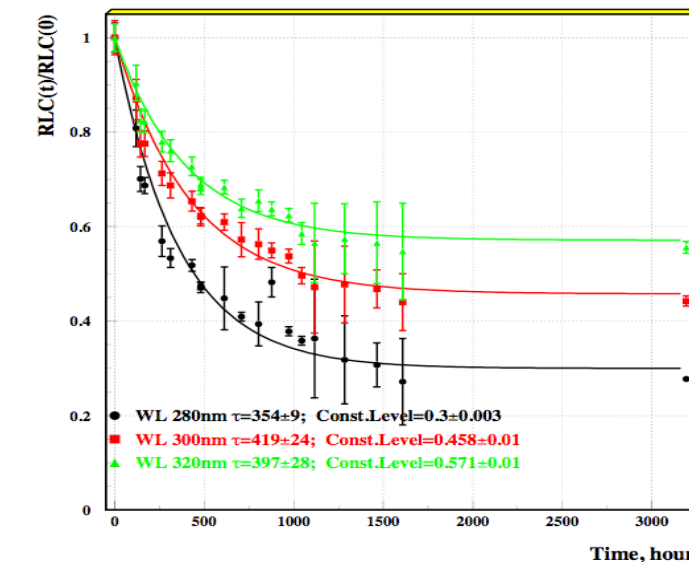
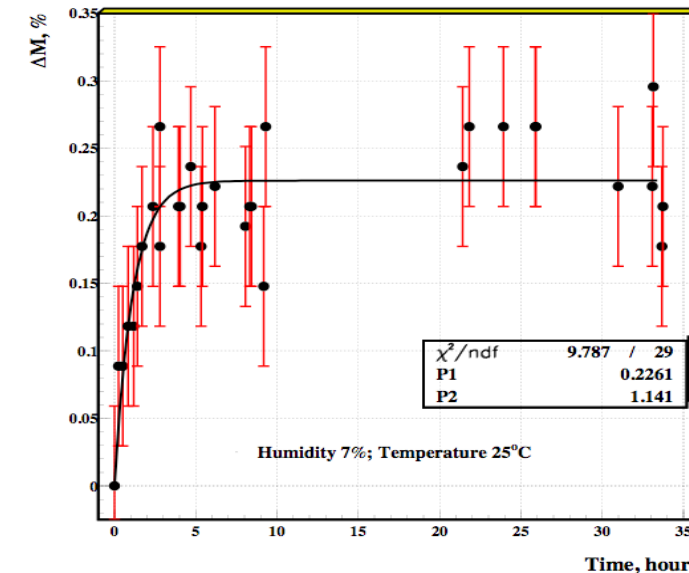


Parameter	LAPPD / HRPPD
Gain	1.00E+07
SPE Timing Resolution	<50 ps
MPE Timing Resolution	8 ps
Pixel Size	Any / 2.5 mm X 1024
Spatial Resolution	<1 mm
Room temp Dark Noise	≤ 2 kHz/cm ²
Radiation hardness	>1E15 15 MeV protons
Single-Photon readout	Yes
Magnetic Field Tolerance	1.4 T demonstrated
@ Degrees from Normal	TBD
PC QE @365 nm	30%
PC QE @450 nm	>20%
PDE @450 nm	TBD ($\geq 20\%$ = 70% OAR X 30% QE)
Demonstrated Tile Life	TBD (> 5 C/cm ²)

Aerogel degradation due to water adsorption(1)

- Aerogel internal surface is 10^6 times greater than external. Adsorption of water is very fast process (1-10 hours).
- Degradation of the light absorption length is very slow process (1-2 months) after water absorption.
- The time and the level of the degradation are depend on the impurities in aerogel from raw materials and production procedure (Fe, Mn, Cr, etc.).

Concentration of metals in aerogel, ppb				
Fe	Cu	Mn	Cr	Ni
500	56	7	26	



Aerogel degradation due to water adsorption(2)

- The refractive index ($n-1$) and light scattering length depends on amount of adsorbed water and are changed less than 10% after water adsorption of 2-4% of aerogel mass.
- The light absorption length (L_{abs}) in different aerogel samples after baking is the same, but after water impregnation could be very different
- It is possible to make aerogel selection after water impregnation
- One atom Fe is able to attract 6 molecules of water
- To achieve maximum degradation of L_{abs} it is enough to adsorb 1ppm of water.

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