

# Silicon Photomultiplier Characterization for the GlueX Barrel Calorimeter

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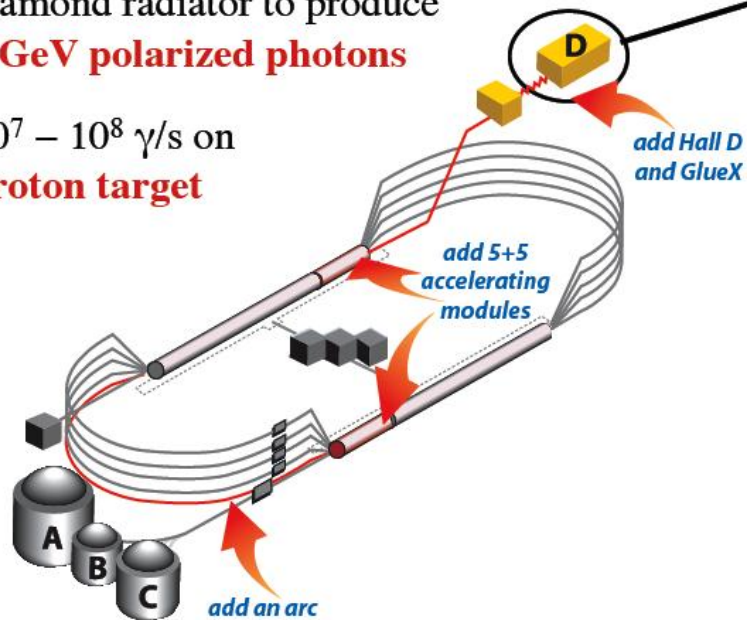
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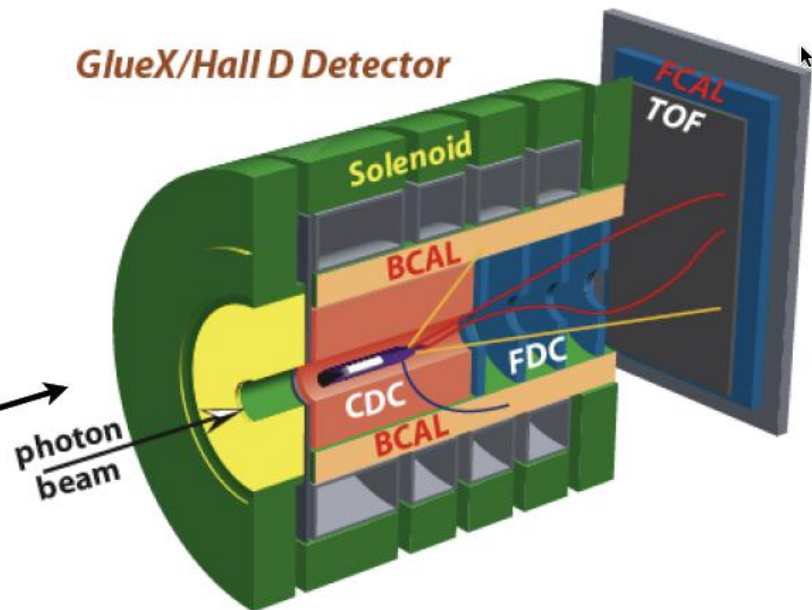
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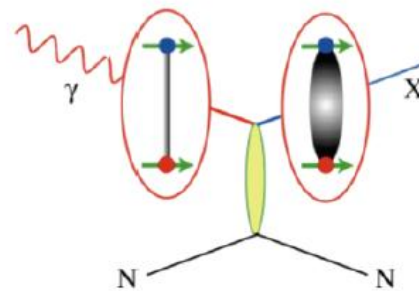
- part of the JLab 12 GeV upgrade  
(in Newport News, Virginia)
- data expected in 2014
- use 12 GeV electrons and a diamond radiator to produce **9 GeV polarized photons**
- $10^7 - 10^8 \gamma/s$  on **proton target**



GlueX/Hall D Detector



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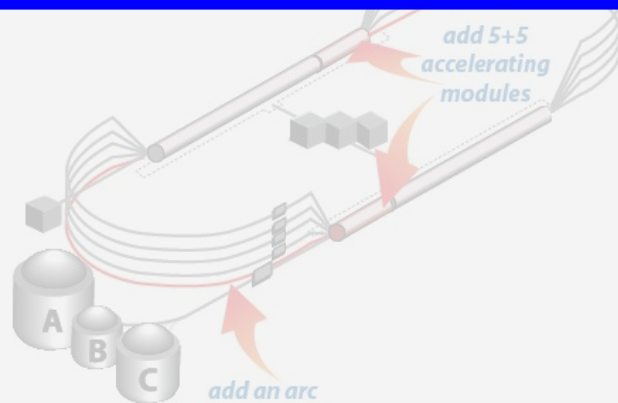
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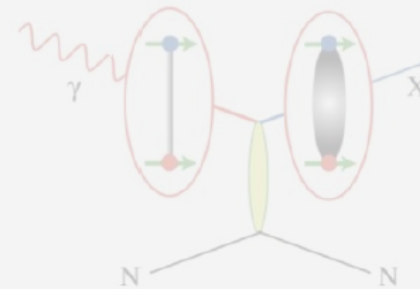
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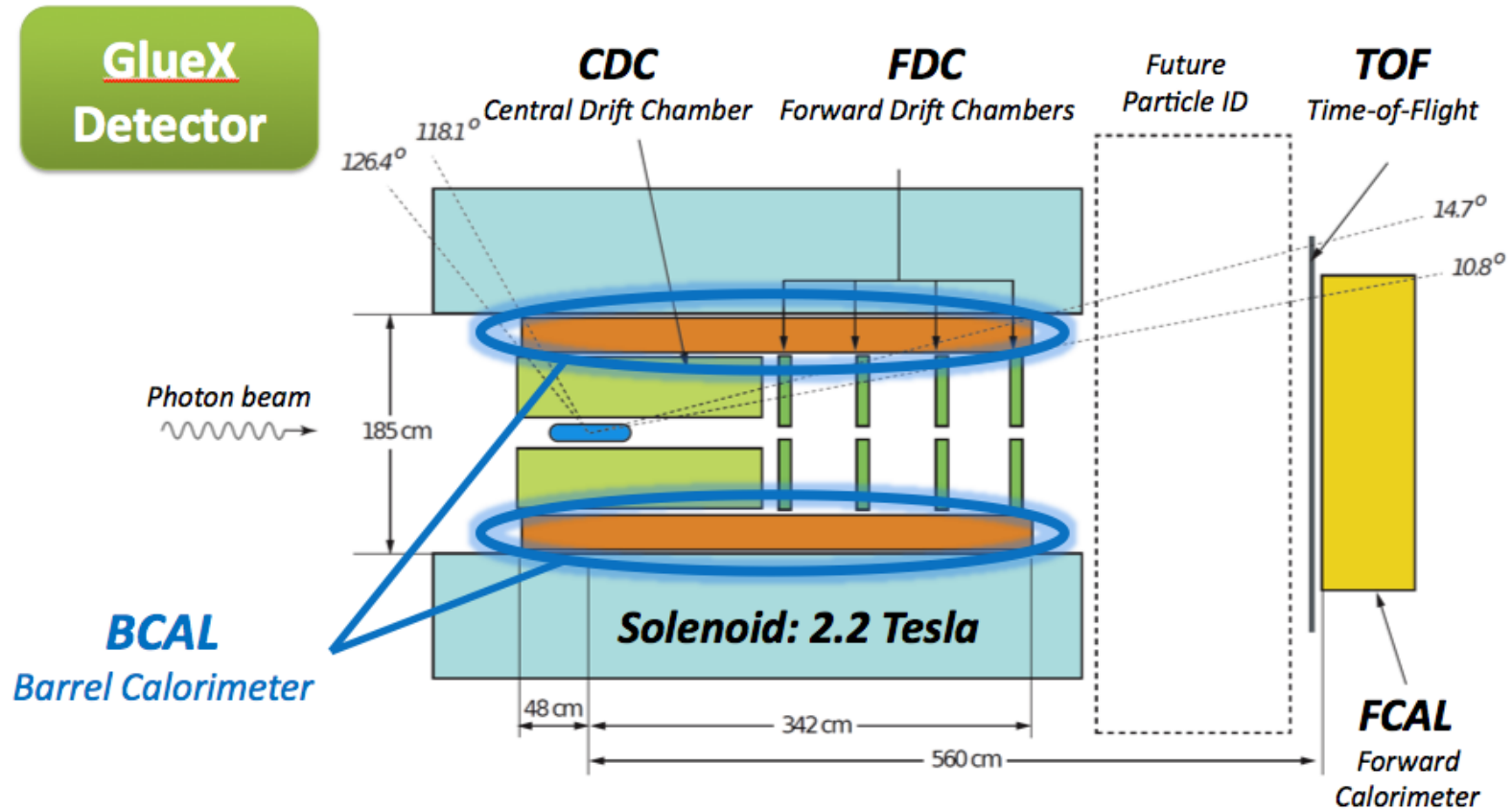


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# Barrel Calorimeter - BCAL

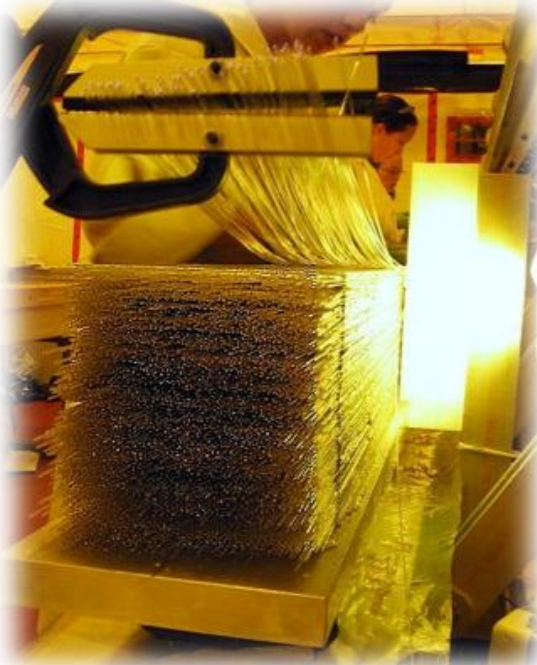


A **390 cm** long **Electromagnetic Barrel Calorimeter (BCAL)** is inserted into the solenoid which generates a **2.2 Tesla** magnetic field to detect particles in large angles. It measures *energy deposition* between 50 MeV to 5 GeV and provides *timing* and *position* information.



# BCAL – University of Regina

## Barrel Calorimeter



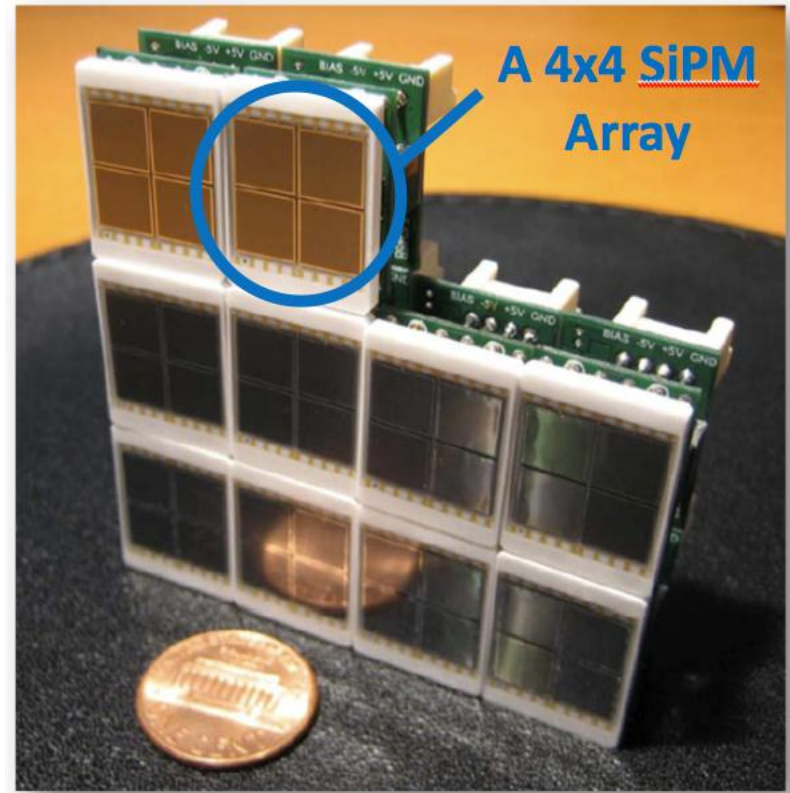
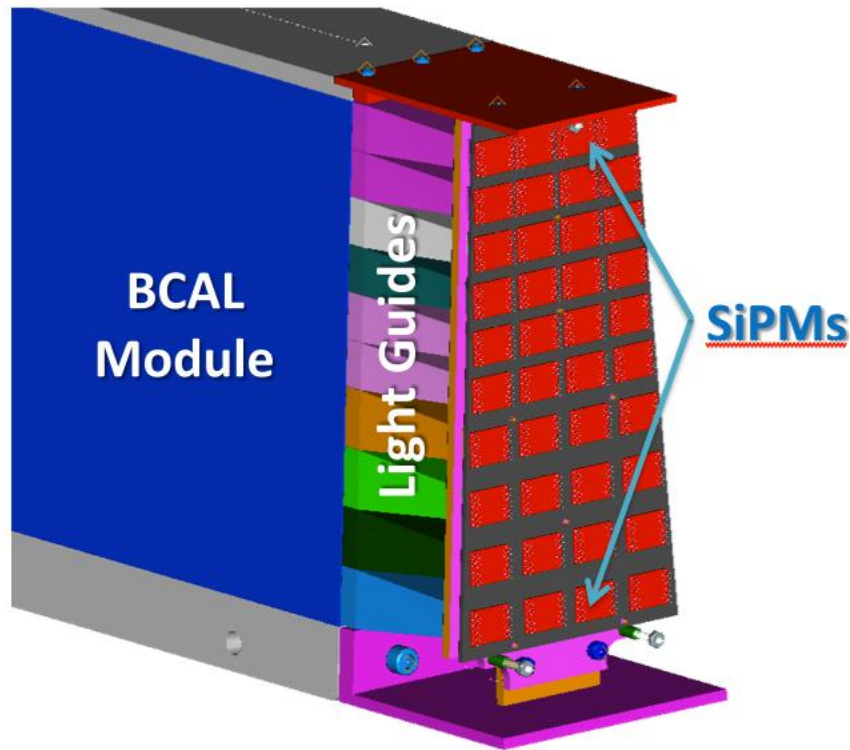
**BCAL module being assembled from layers of fibers and Pb**

- **48 modules arranged into cylinder**
- **Scintillating fiber + Pb**
- **12.5% sampling fraction**
- $\sigma_E/E = \frac{5.5\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 1.6\%$
- $\sigma_z = \frac{5mm}{\sqrt{E}}$
- $\sigma_t = \frac{75ps}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 33ps$
- **11° < a < 120°**
- **Double-ended readout**
- **300 km of fiber**



**Polished BCAL module demonstrating optical clarity with cell phone held to opposite end**

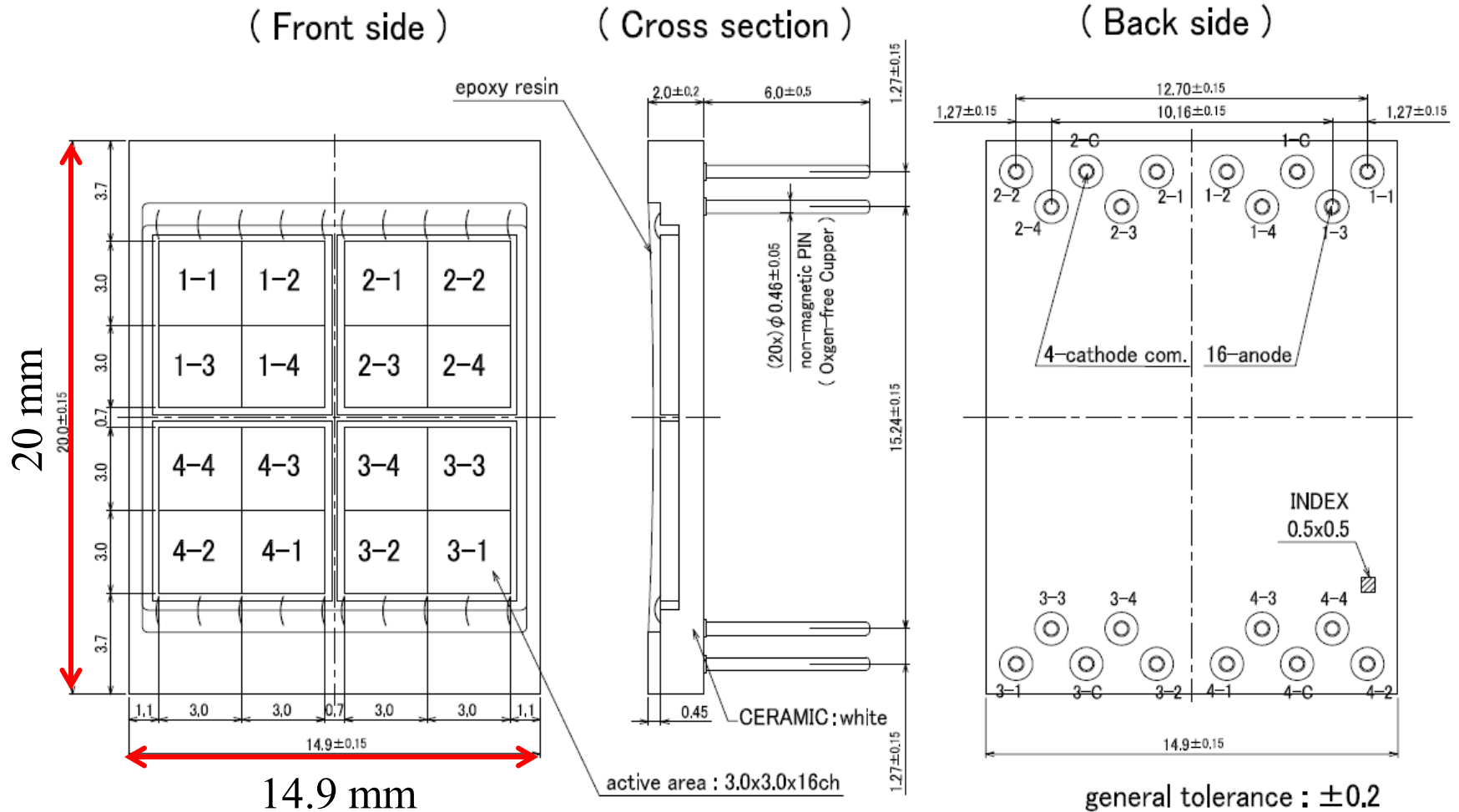
# BCAL Photodetector



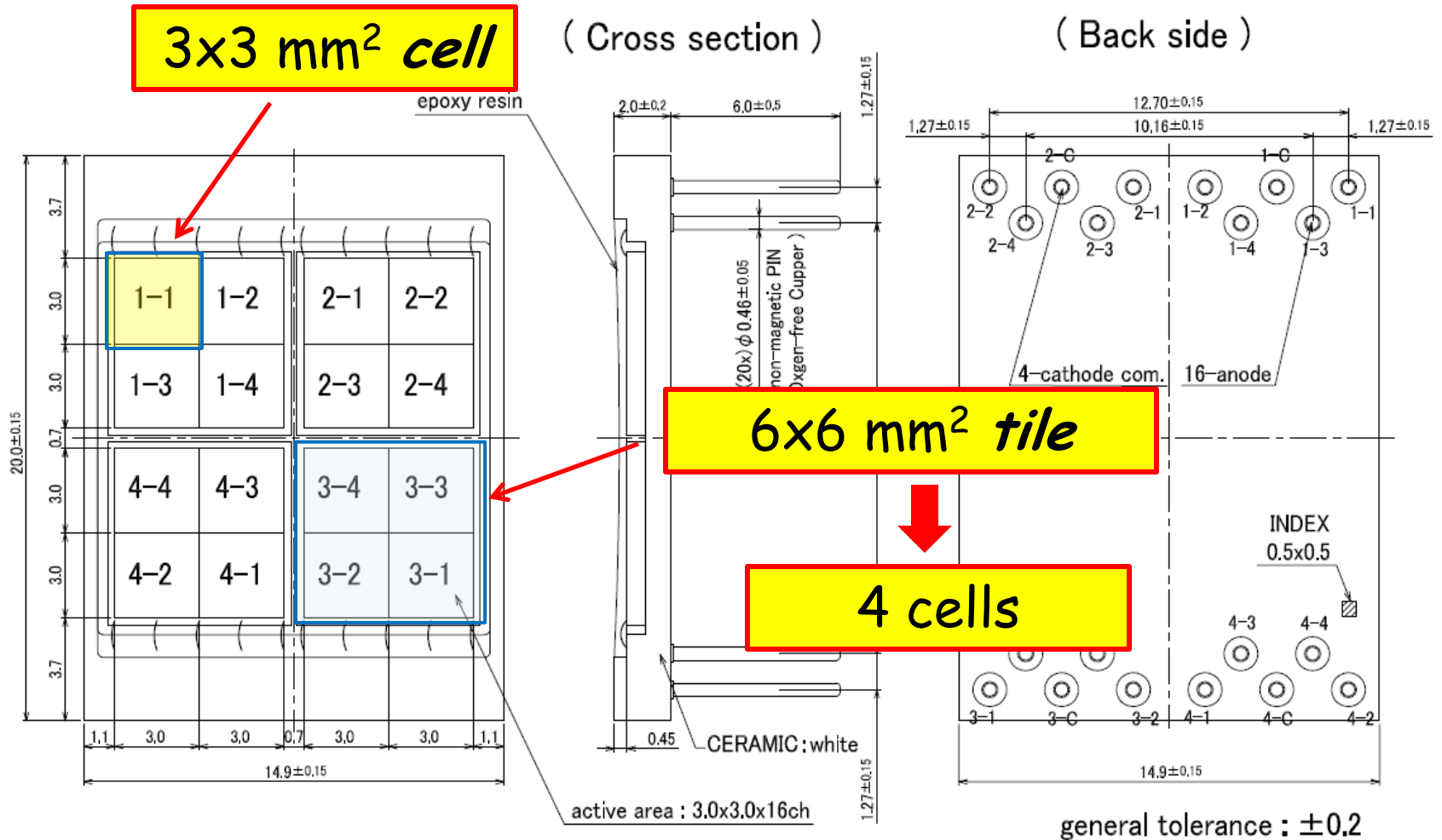
- 4x4 array of 3x3 mm<sup>2</sup> SiPM cells
- 50 μm microcells
- 57,600 microcells per array
- Photon Detection Efficiency (PDE) > 20%

- Gain ~ 10<sup>6</sup>
- Immune to strong magnetic fields
- Noise = 24 MHz per array
- Total SiPMs needed = 3,840
- 48 modules x 40 SiPMs x 2 sides

# Hamamatsu SiPM array (S12045(X))



# Hamamatsu SiPM array





# Requirement of SiPM for BCAL

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- ✧ Test of whole readout system needed as final check

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✧ Return to this issue later in talk

# SiPM First Article Test

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## ➤ March 2011

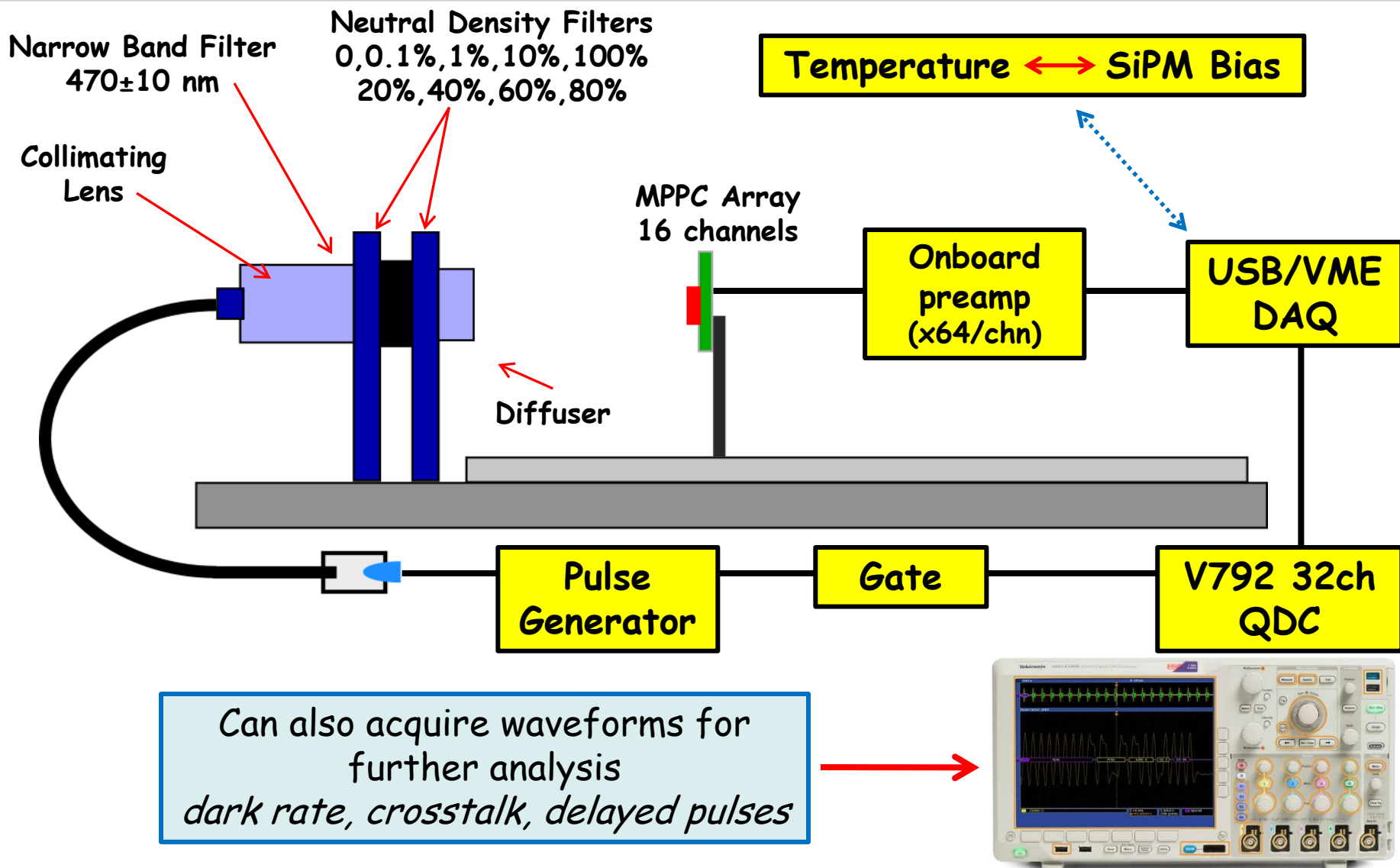
- ❑ Received 80 samples from Hamamatsu
- ❑ Test key characteristics of all samples before acceptance of full order (4000 units)
- ❑ Gain, PDE, Dark Rate (Current), Response Uniformity, Crosstalk (+ afterpulses)
- ❑ Radiation sensitivity (neutrons)
- ❑ Magnetic field sensitivity – *in progress*

## ➤ September 2011

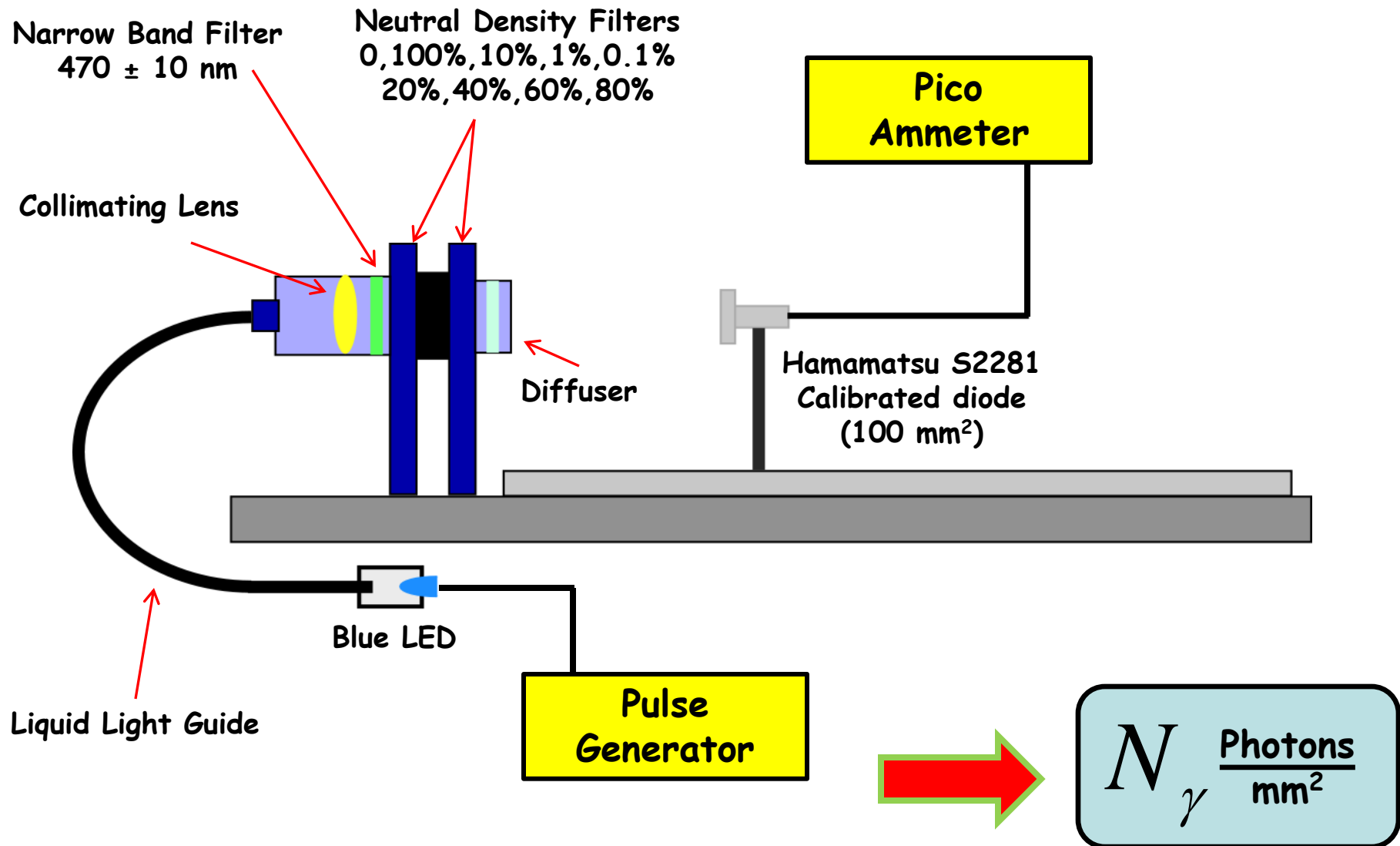
- ❑ Arrival of first production batch (500) of SiPMs
- ❑ Need to characterize 16 at a time (256 elements)



# JLAB Workstation – Gain, PDE, Dark Rate, Crosstalk



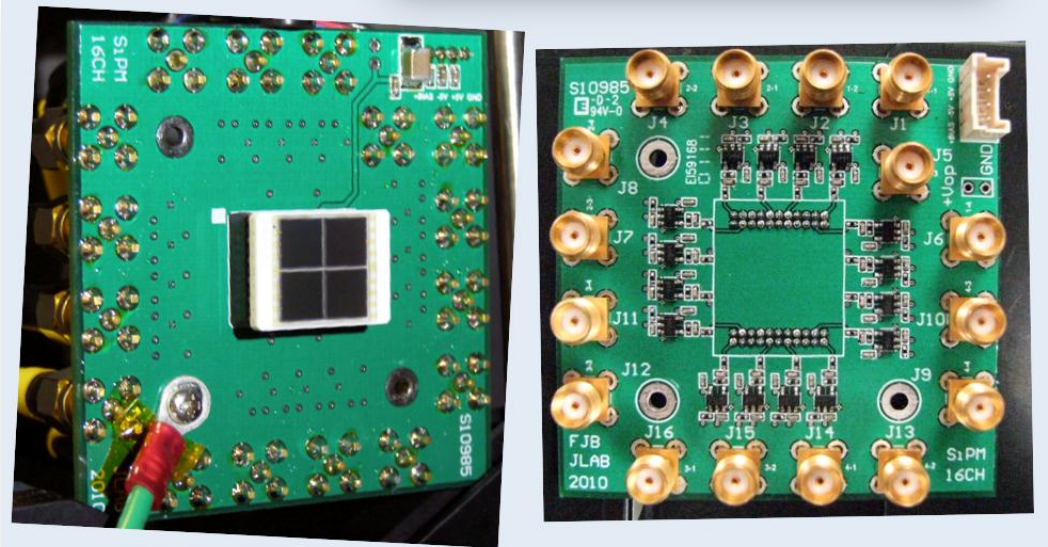
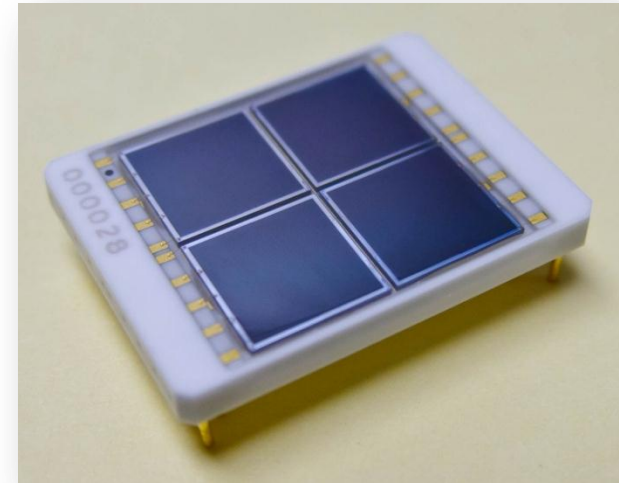
# JLAB Workstation – Light Source Calibration



# SiPM and Preamplifier

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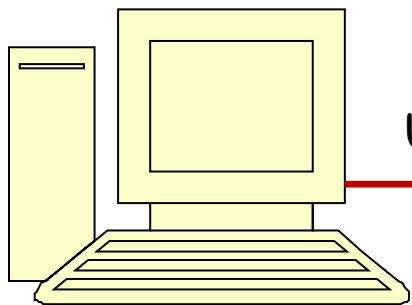
- 4x4 array of 3x3 mm SiPM
  - 50  $\mu$ m pixel: 57600
  - 16 outputs
  - 4 power inputs
- Preamplifier for the test
  - 16 individual amplification and outputs
  - High gain mode ( $\times 67$ )



# Initial DAQ Setup

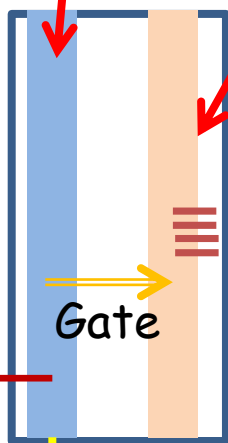
Control bias

PC - LabView, Kmax



USB

VME crate  
VM-USB controller  
V792 32chn QDC



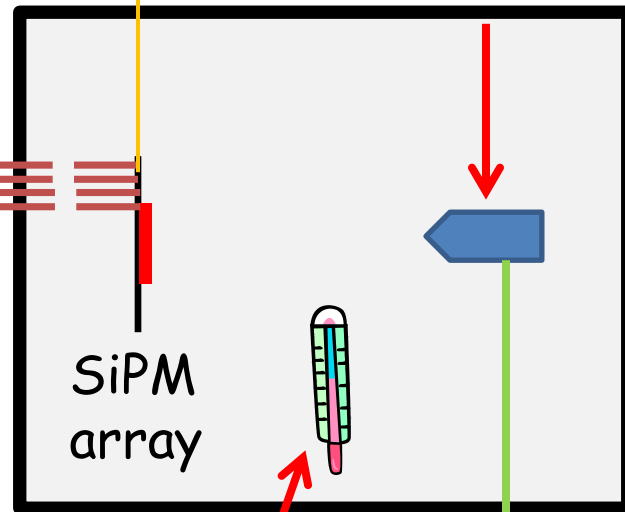
Gate

trigger

16 chn  
output

DC power  
amp + bias

Diffuse LED  
Light source



SiPM  
array

Monitor  
temperature

LED pulser

Labview

Acquire data  
Monitor temperature  
Control SiPM bias

Labview → Kmax

Histograms  
Maintain database  
Feed to ROOT/PAW

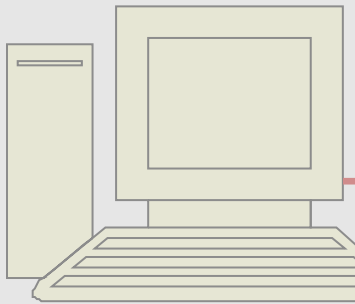


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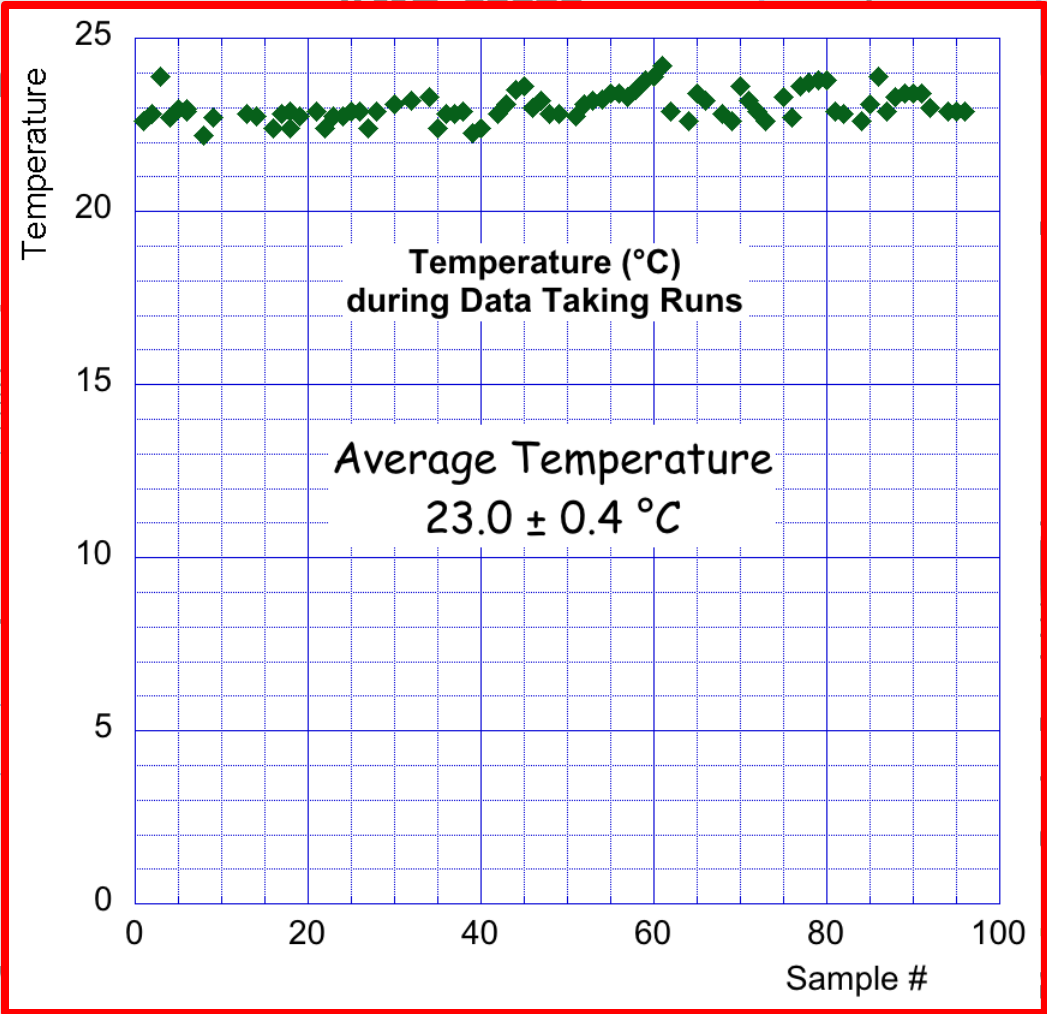


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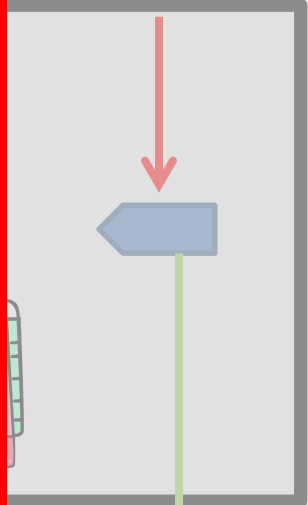
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- Feed to ROOT/PAN



Diffuse LED  
Light source



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## ➤ Fit individual QDC spectra

$$\sum_{N=1}^{\infty} G(a \cdot \sum_{n+m=N} (P(n, \mu) \cdot P(m, n\Delta\mu)), \sigma(N))$$

□ **G**: Gauss distribution

□ **P**: Poisson distribution

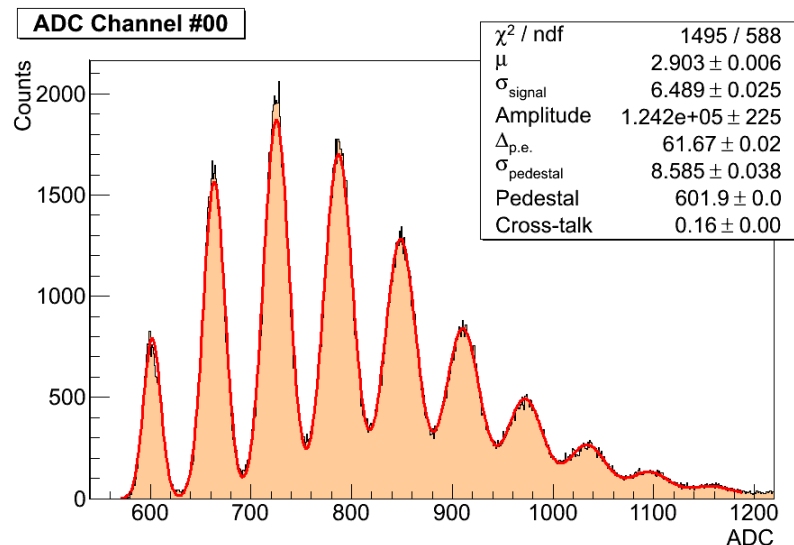
□ **a**: gain

□  **$\mu$** : number of primary fired pixels

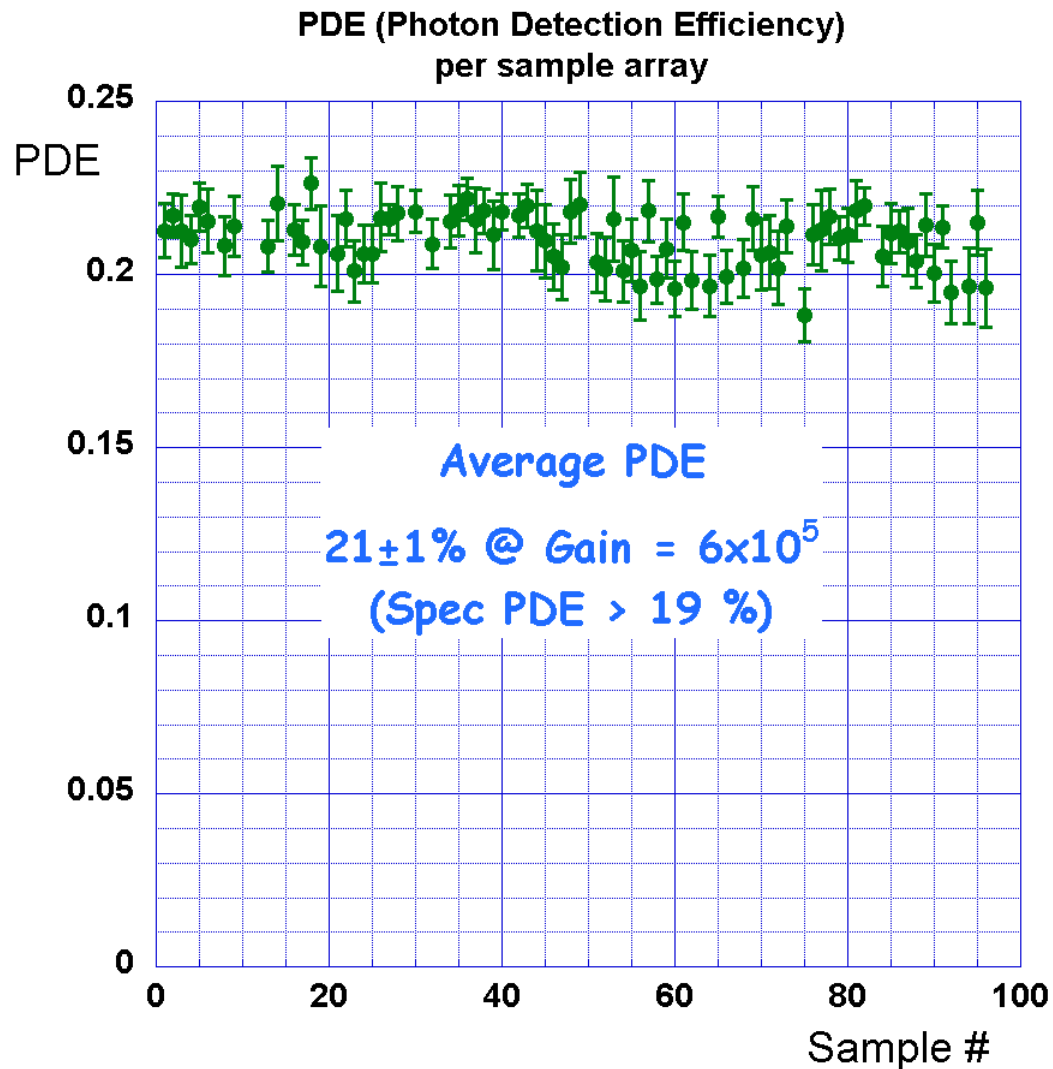
□  **$\Delta\mu$** : probability of cross talk + afterpulse in gate (1  $\mu$ s)

□  **$\sigma$** : width of individual pixel peaks

○  $\sigma(N) = (\sigma_{\text{ped}}^2 + N \sigma_{\text{sig}}^2)^{-1/2}$

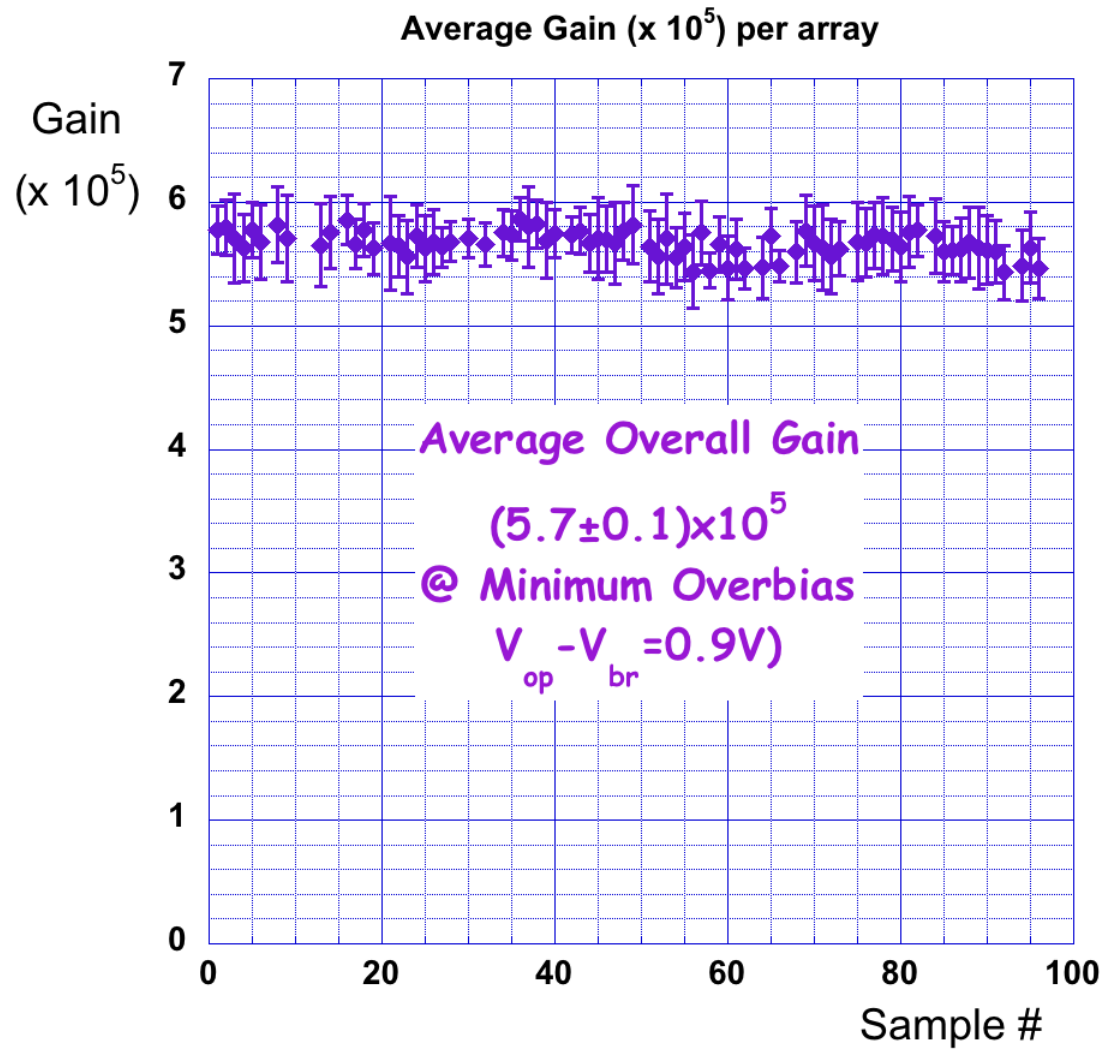


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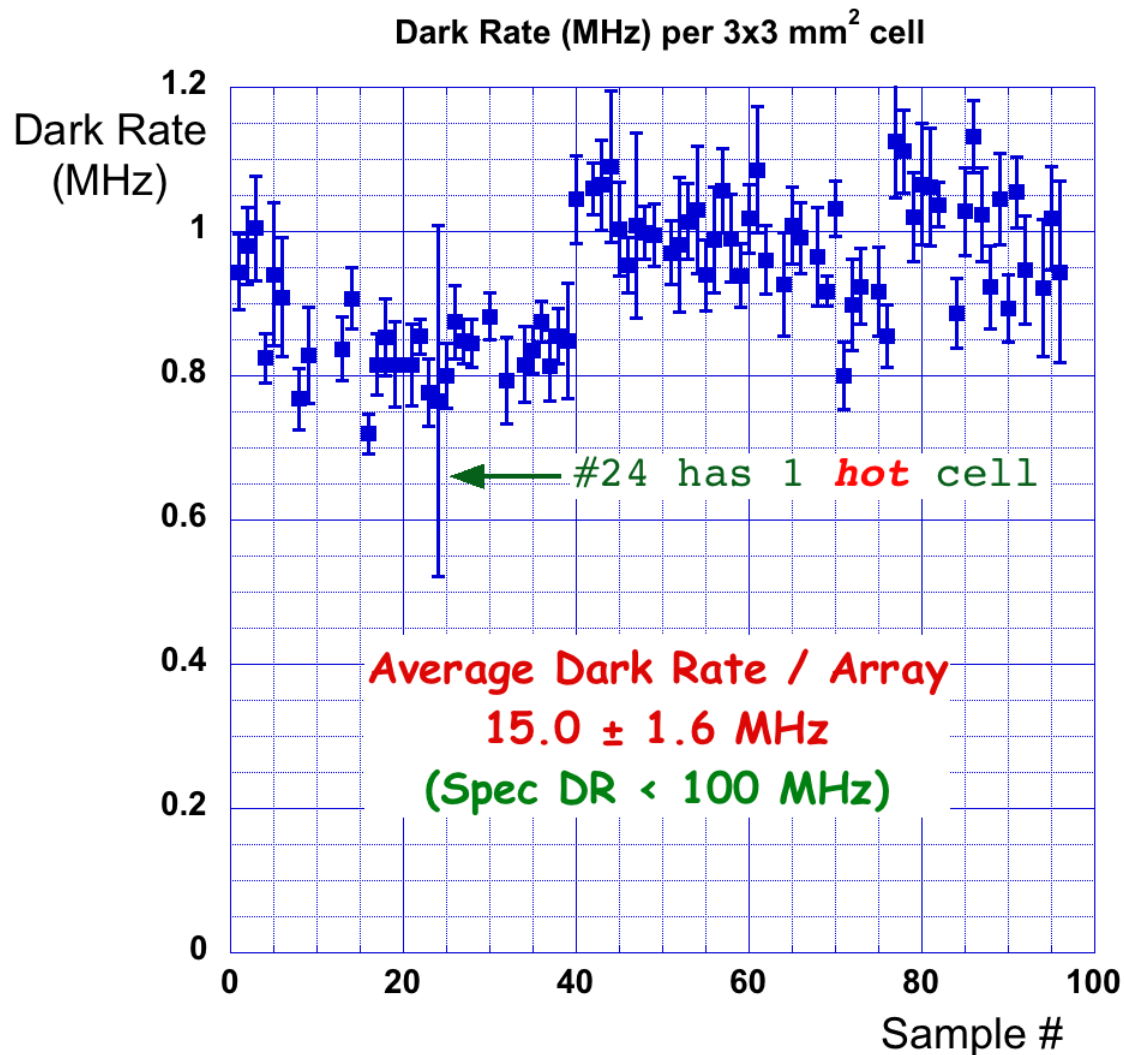
At Nominal Gain  
 $7.5 \times 10^5$   
PDE = 26%

# Gain





# Dark Rate

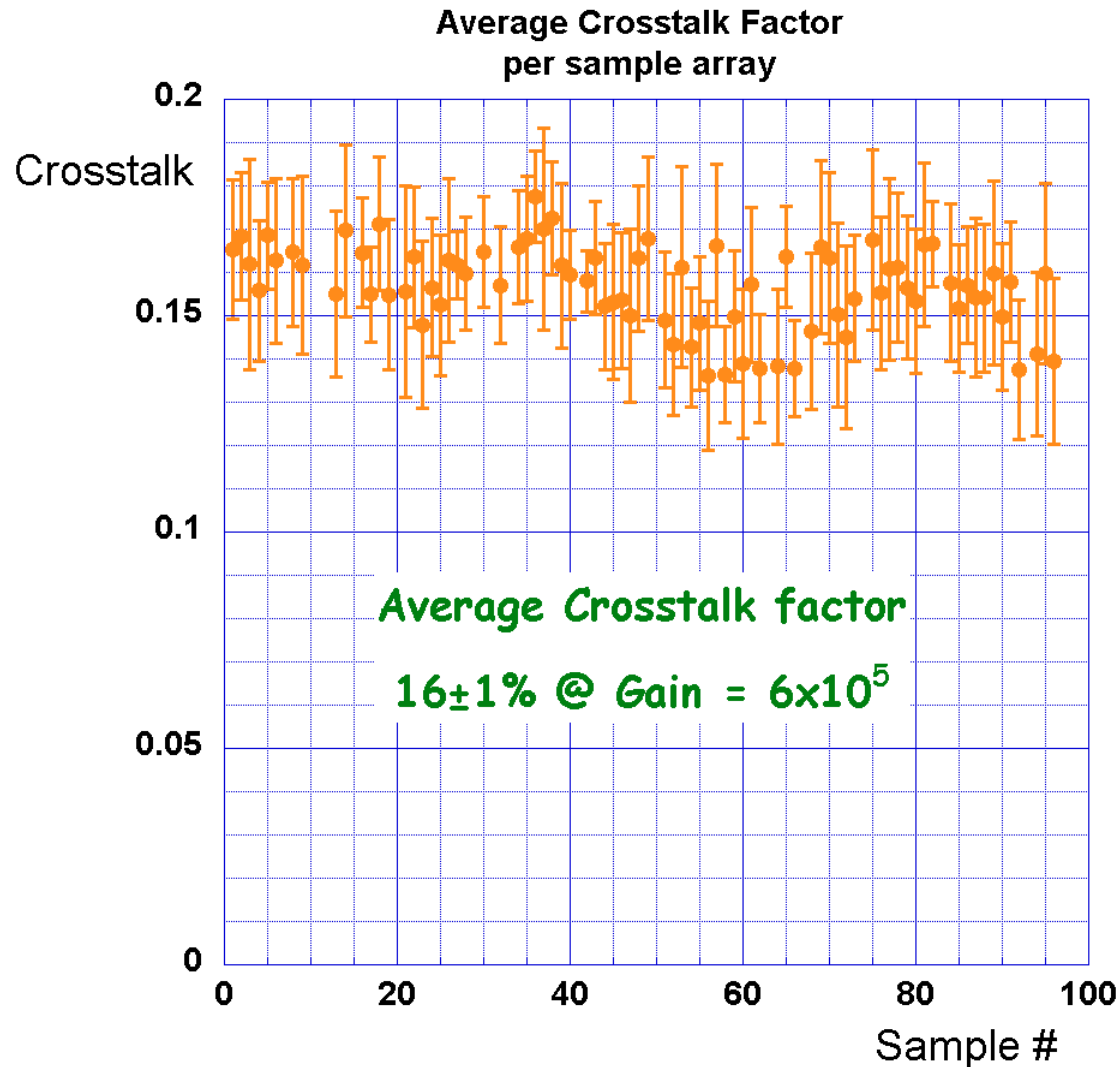


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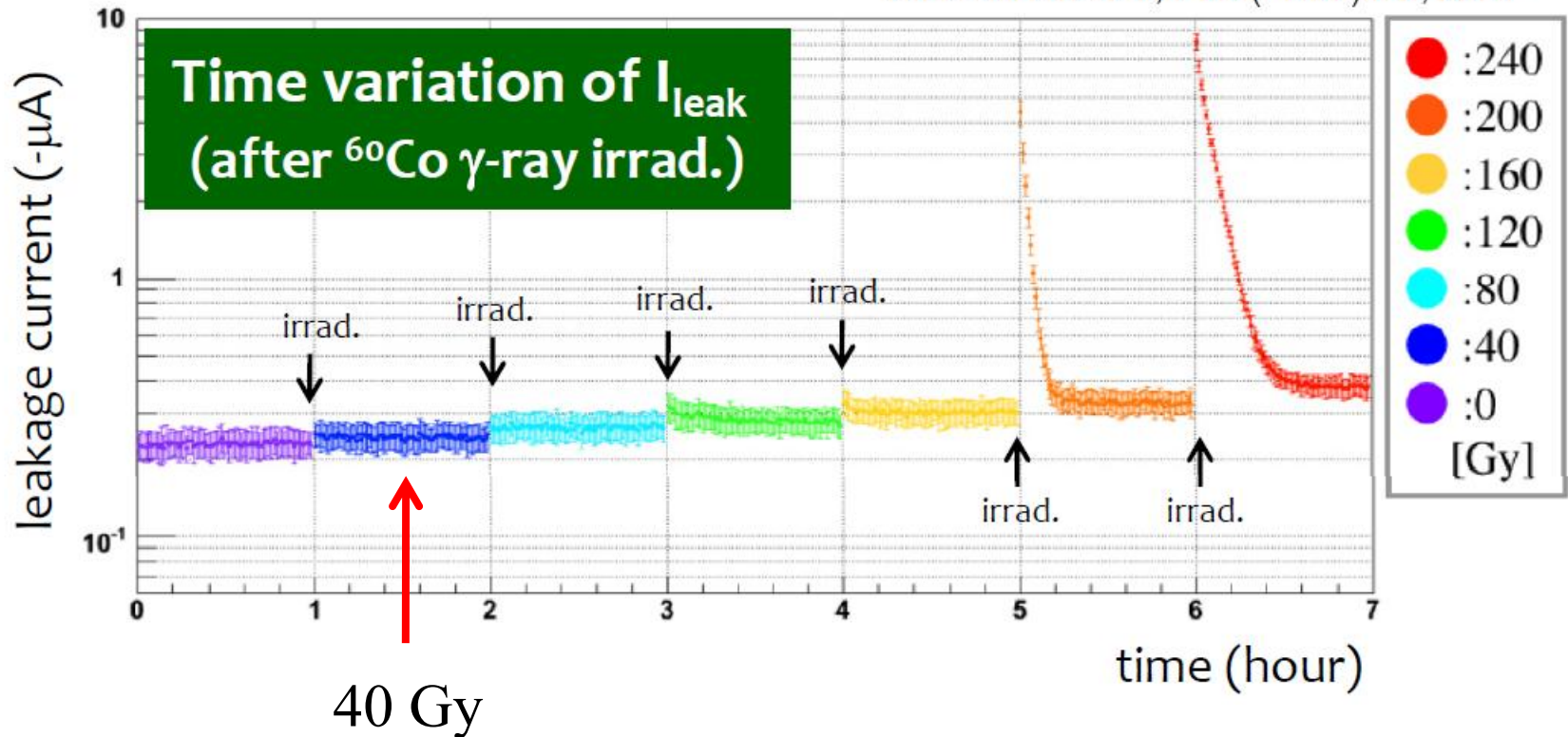
Factor x4 LESS  
than original  
prototypes

# Crosstalk + After Pulse in 1 $\mu\text{s}$



# Radiation Tolerance - Gamma

T.Matsubara et al, PoS (PD07)032, 2007



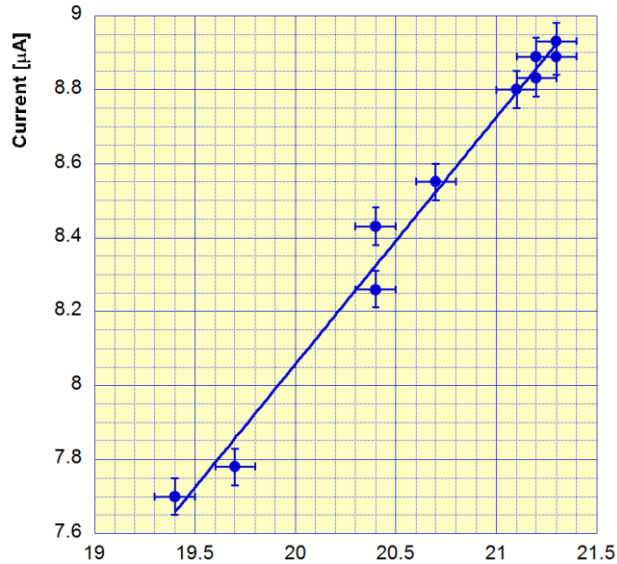
For GlueX => < 2 Gy/10 yrs

Toru Matsumura

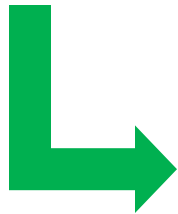
KEK Detector Technology Project

# Irradiation with Cs-137 source to 20 Gy

Current (no irrad) vs Temperature

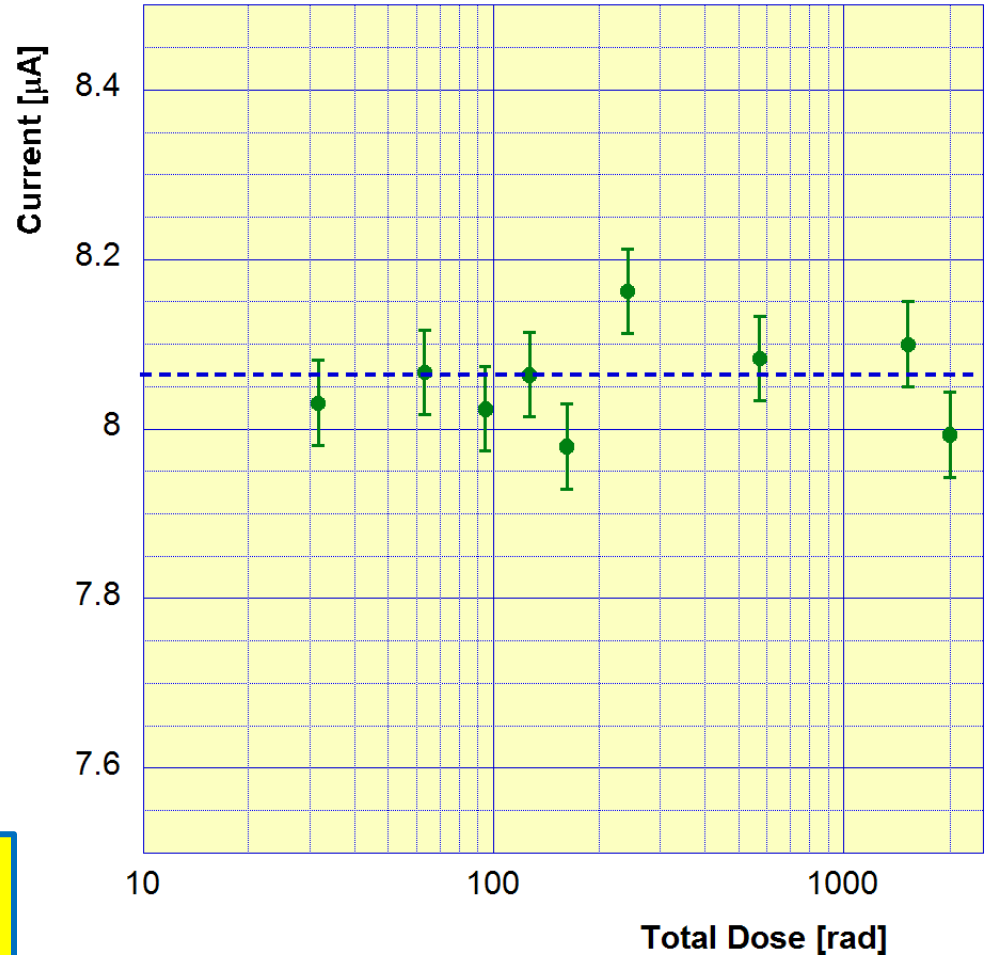


Renorm dark current vs T  
and apply to Irrad Data



No discernible  
effect

Dark Current ( $20^\circ\text{C}$ )

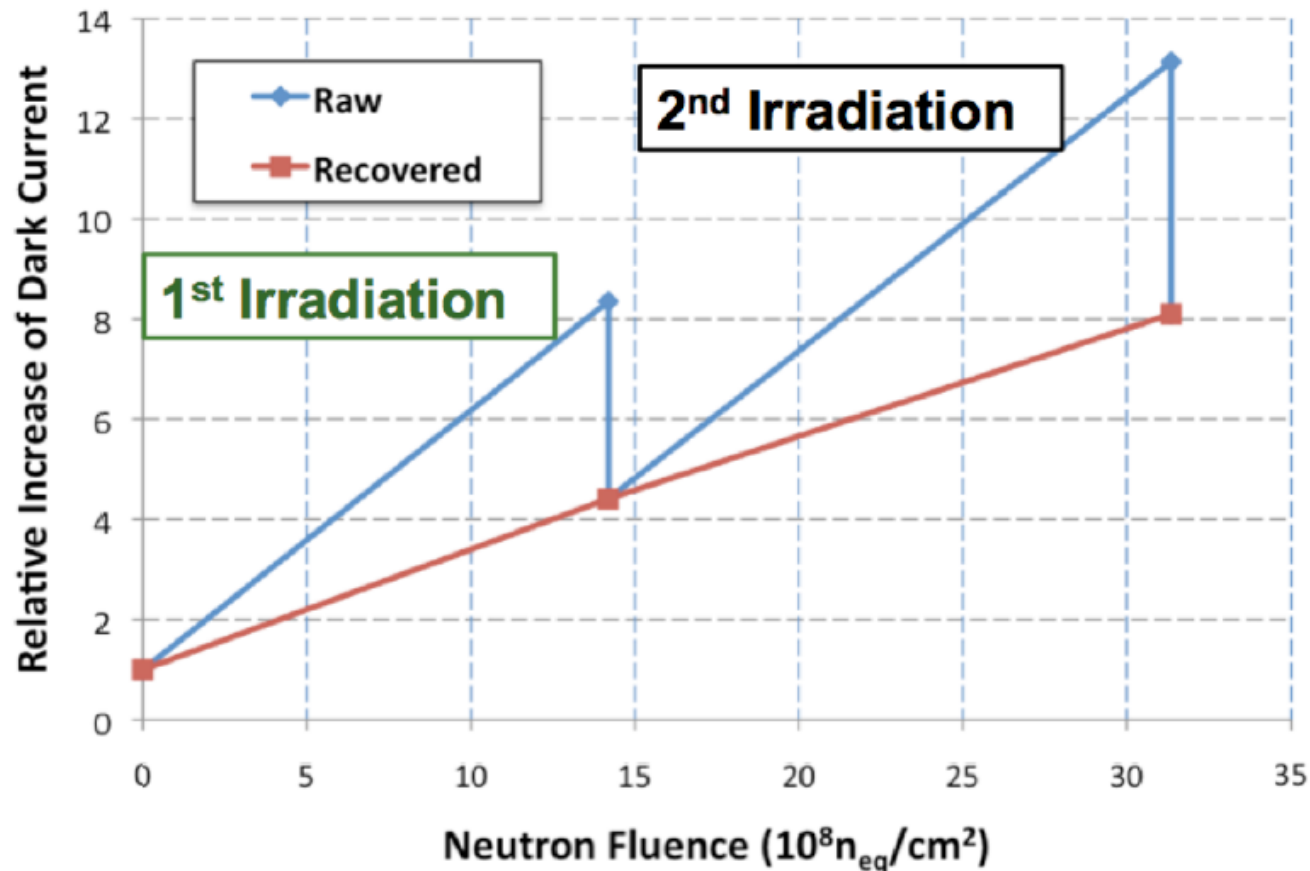




# Neutron Irradiations

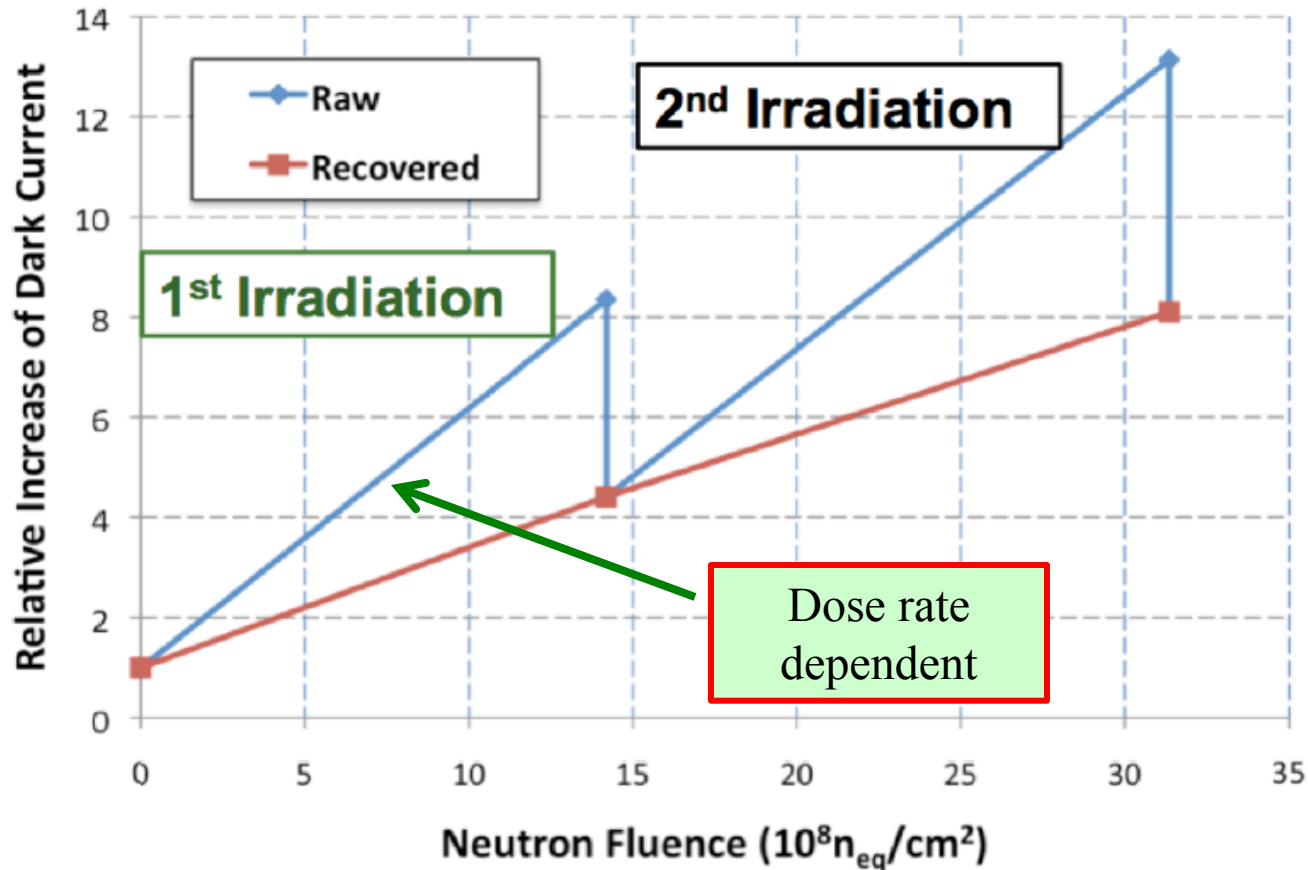
- Literature shows high energy neutrons can be  $\sim \times 10$  worse in their damage on silicon device vs photons
- Inhouse JLAB simulations shows  $\sim > 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-2}$  (1 Mev eqv) neutrons per year
- Variety of initial neutron irradiations at JLAB - both uncontrolled (Hall A background) and with controlled AmBe source
  - PDE and Gain don't seem affected
  - Dark noise rises linearly with dose
  - Dose rate - can anneal out some damage to residual level
  - Anneal rate strongly temperature sensitive

# SiPM Neutron Radiation Test



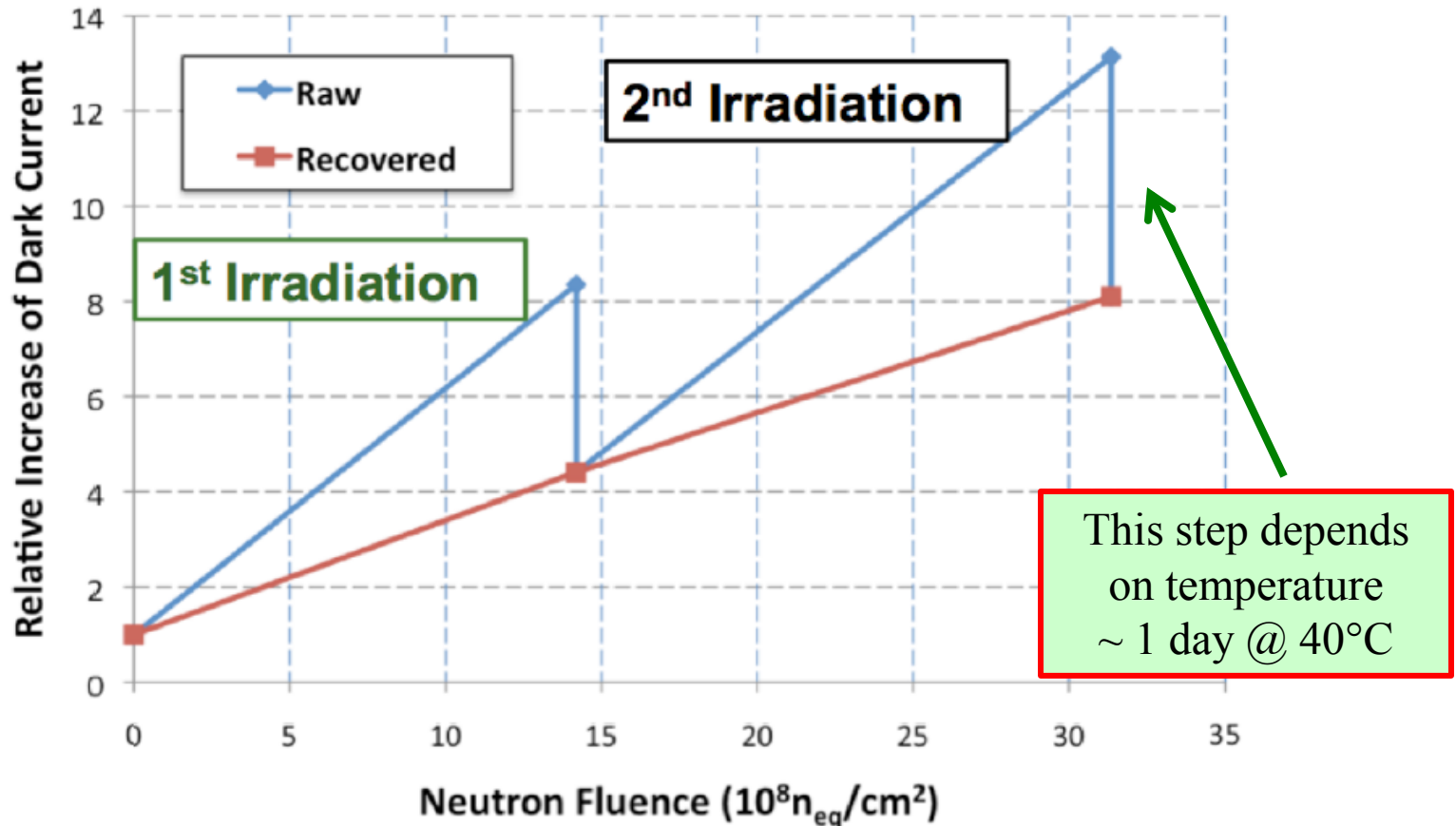
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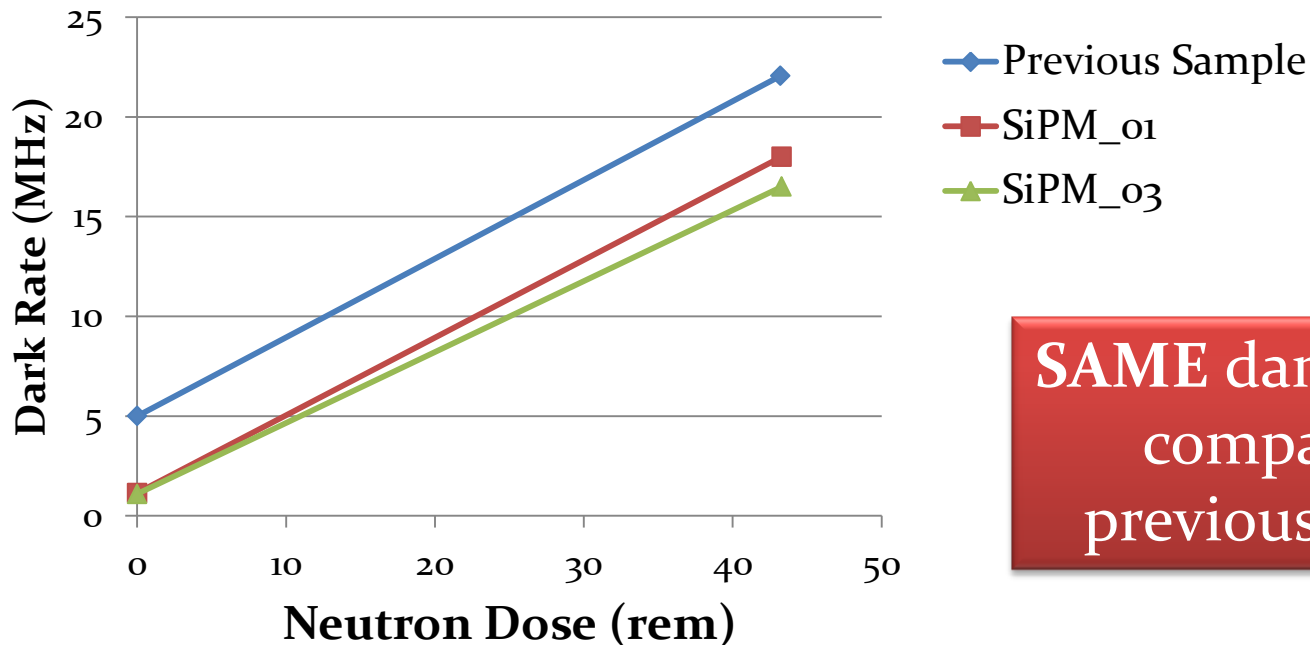


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# Radiation Damage

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- Two first article samples were irradiated by AmBe neutron source (provided by JLAB RadCon group)
  - ❑ Total dose: 43.3 rem (~ 5 years high luminosity running on LH<sub>2</sub> target in Hall D).
  - ❑ Both samples were then annealed at 40°C

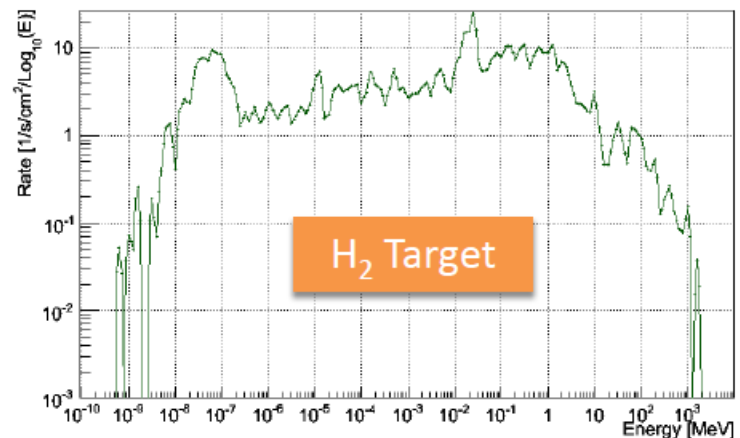


**SAME** damage slope compared to previous sample!

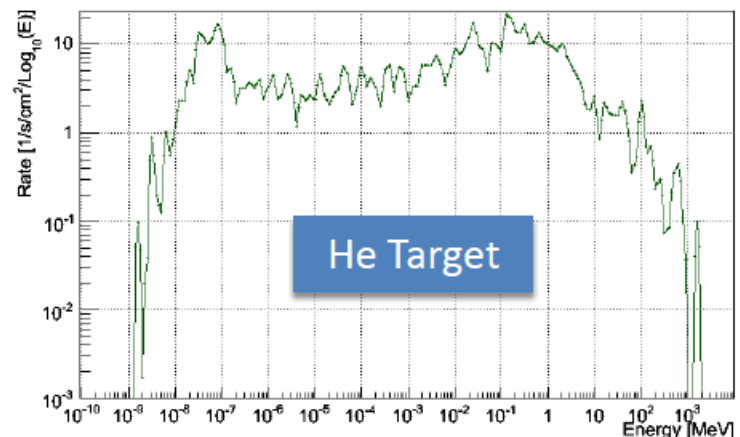
# Life Time of SiPM in Hall D

- Current margin for the increase of dark rate: factor of **5**.
- Dose simulated in Hall A:
  - ▣  $34 \text{ rem} \rightarrow 8.2 \times 10^8 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- Rates through downstream BCal SiPMs in Hall D with  $10^8 \gamma/\text{s}$ :
  - ▣  $\text{H}_2$ : 4.3 – 3.3 mrem/H
  - ▣ He: 6.5 – 4.9 mrem/H
- Life time for 100% efficiency:
  - ▣  $\text{H}_2$ : 0.9 – 1.1 years
  - ▣ He: 0.6 – 0.8 years
- Upstream rates are 4 times lower.

Neutron energy spectrum at SiPM area with LH target



Neutron energy spectrum at SiPM area with LHe target



$$1 \text{ rem} \rightarrow 2.6 \times 10^7 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$$

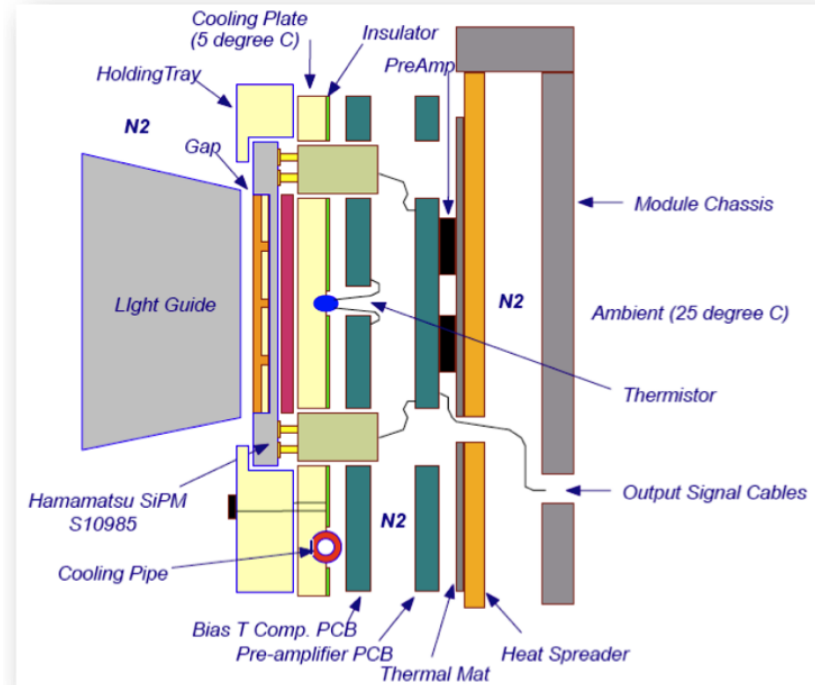
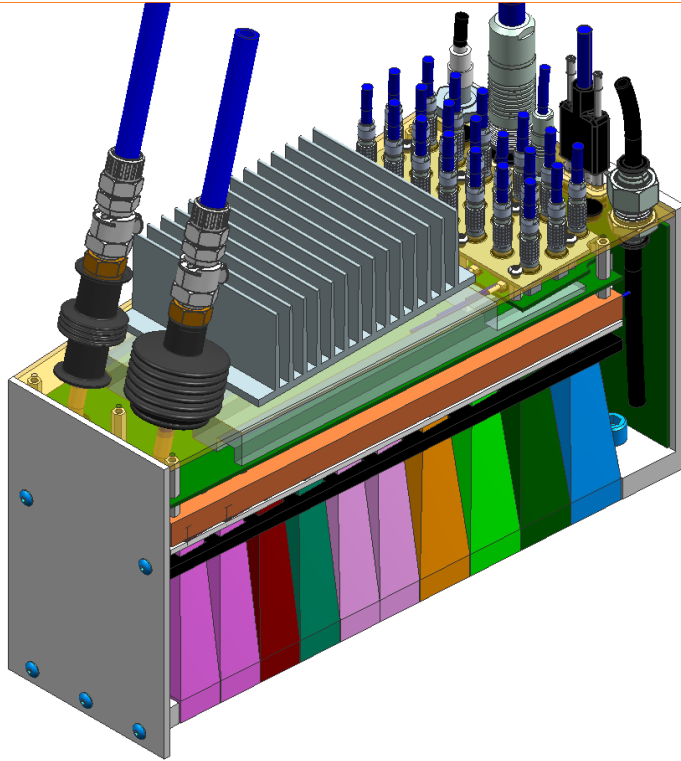


# How to Extend the Lifetime?

- Expected Running efficiency → 1/3
- Run SiPMs at lower temperature
  - 5° C with 1/3 Dark Noise
- During Beam downtimes - run at elevated temperature (~40°C) to rapidly anneal to residual level
- Cool down to 5°C for Beam On and continue
- With this prescription, expect:
  - for H<sub>2</sub> target → 8-10 years
  - for He target → 5-7 years
- *OK - but need further R&D work on rad-hardening of SiPMs - DOE/EIC grant to pursue this now*

# SiPM Readout includes Temperature Control

- SiPMs will be cooled to 5°C
- This will reduce dark noise and minimize effects of neutron irradiation



- Downtime → SiPMs will be heated to ~40°C
- Achieve post-irradiation anneal to residual level

# Summary and To-do List

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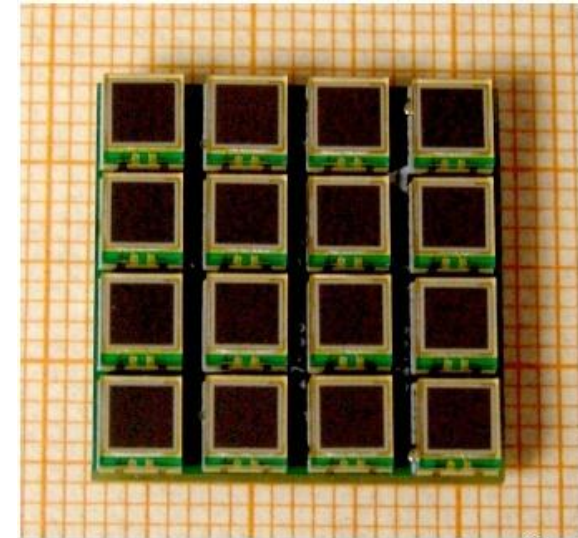
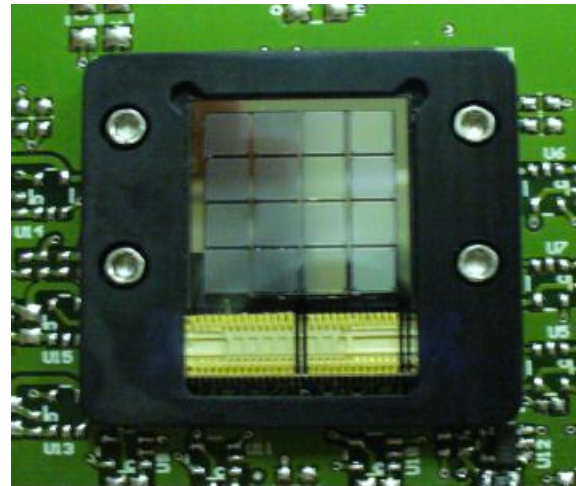
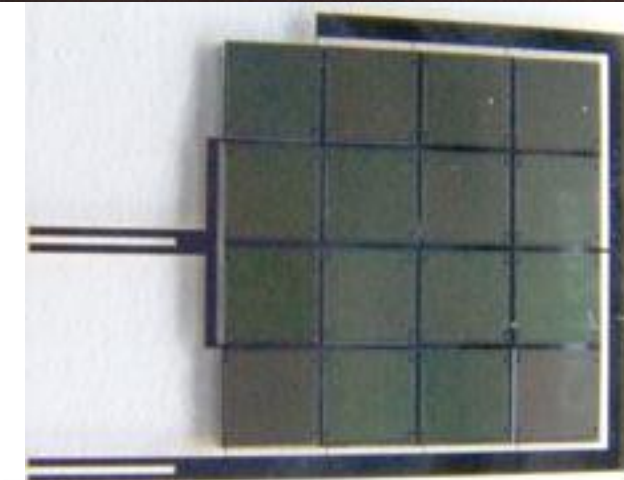
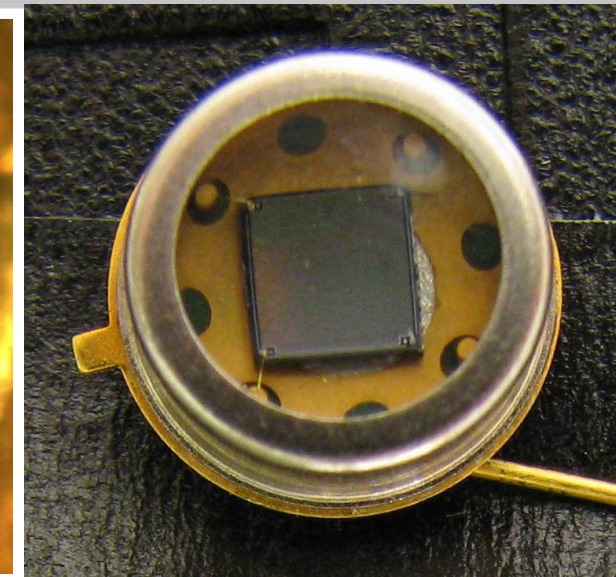
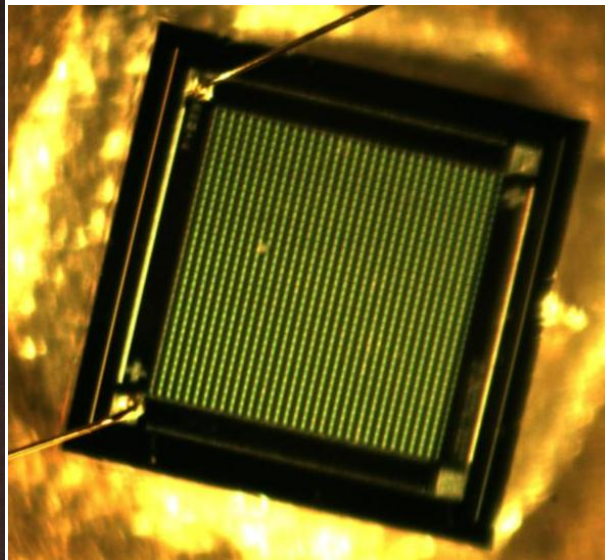
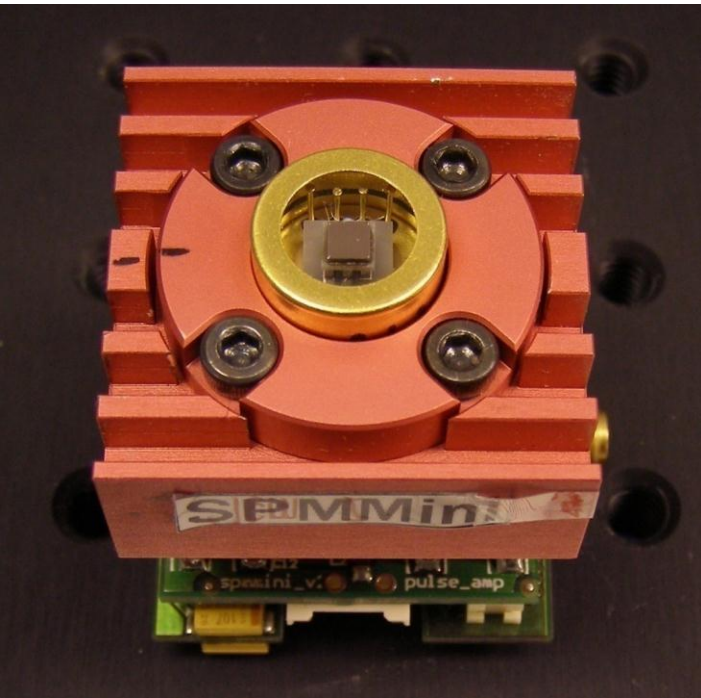
- First article of SiPM from Hamamatsu showed very good performance and has been approved
- Much lower dark rate with new samples
- Increase of dark rate due to radiation damage unchanged
- To-do list
  - Preparation for the production test
    - 4000 units – 1/3 @ JLAB, 2/3 USM (Chile)
    - *Test 16 or 32 SiPM arrays at a time – all channels*
  - Development of full readout/cooling setup
    - Temperature dependence test
    - Test of readout module sensitivity to magnetic field

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# Backup Slides

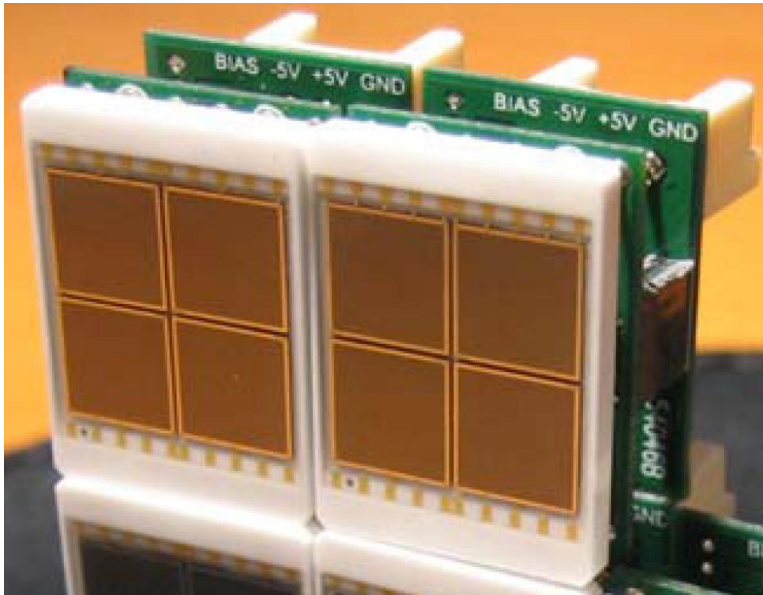


# Example Devices for Initial Studies



# Original SiPM Array Prototypes

## Hamamatsu MPPC

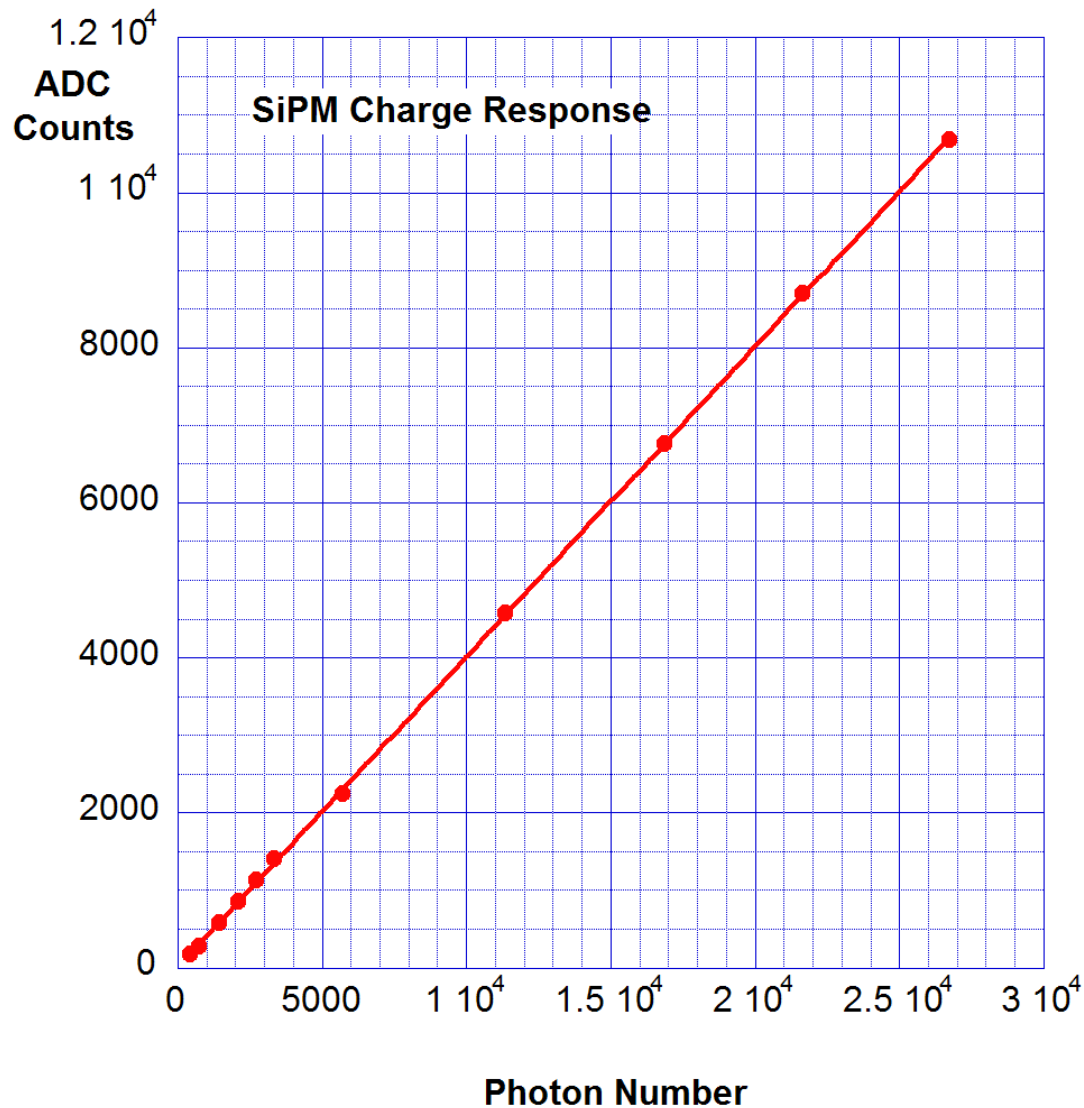


## SensL SiPM4

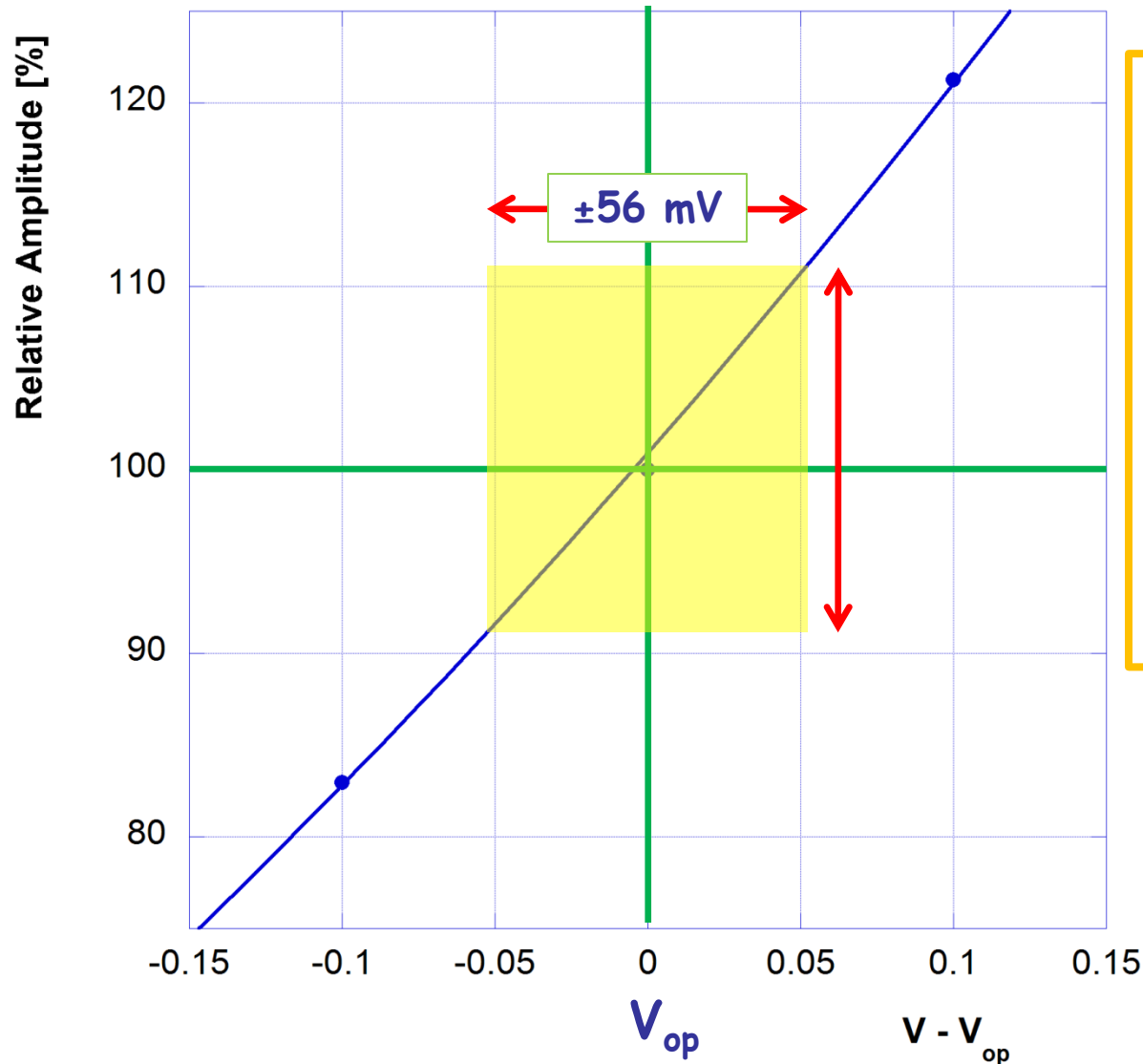




# Linear Response of Array



# Implication for Temperature Stability



Hamamatsu

$1^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 56$  mV  
in  $V_{br}$

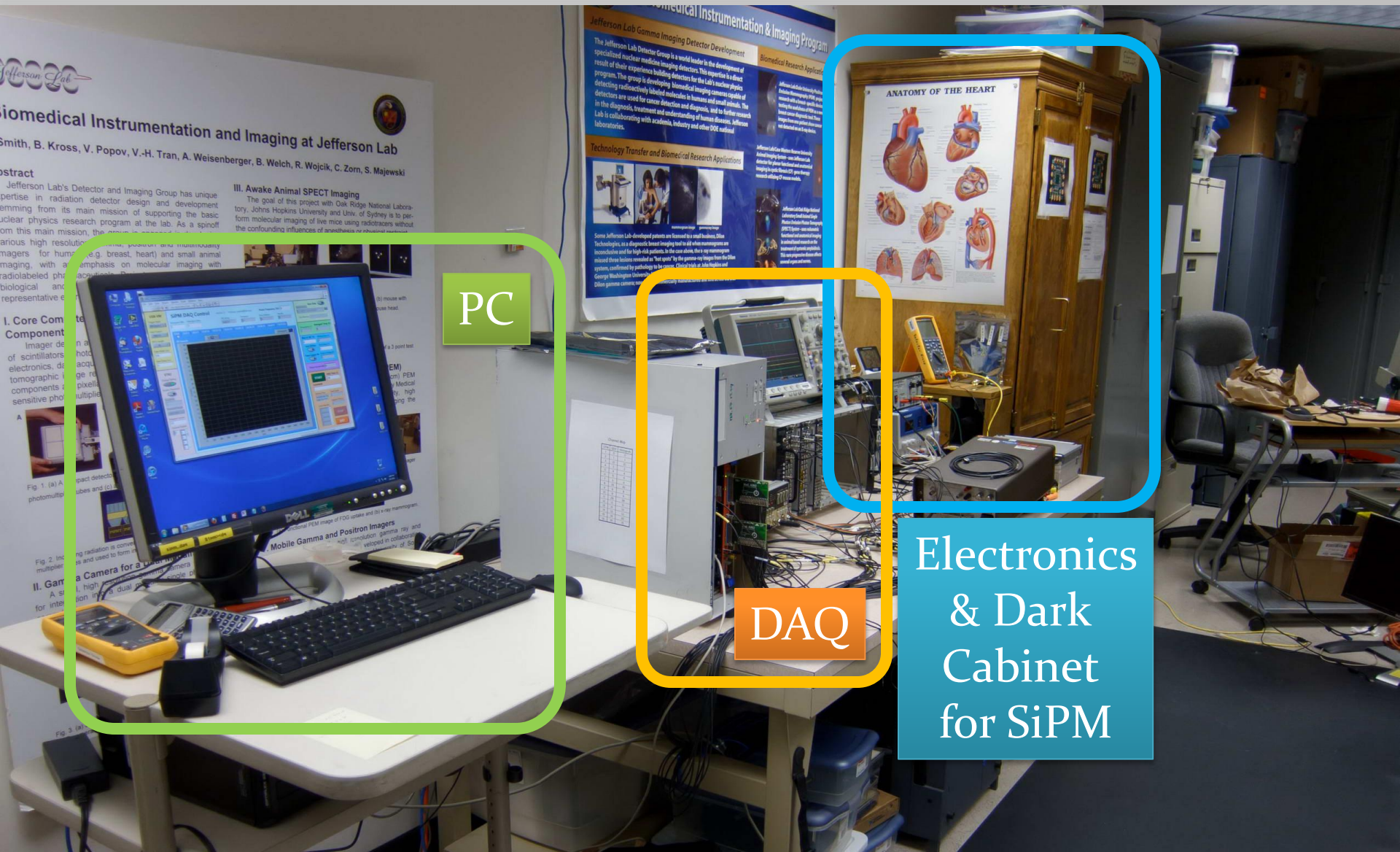


$\approx 10\%$  change  
in amplitude

# Temperature & Stability

- At Constant Overbias → Gain independent of Temperature
  - ➔ *Same goes for PDE*
- Gain varies rapidly with Overbias (1-4 volts)
  - Output Response strongly dependent upon Temperature
  - **Temperature should be stable for Stable Output**
- Dark Rate dependent upon Overbias
- Dark Rate decreases rapidly with decreasing Temperature
  - **Dark Rate can be improved with Temperature Control**

# Test Setup



PC

DAQ

Electronics  
& Dark  
Cabinet  
for SiPM



# DAQ

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- HP8116A pulse generator
  - Drive LED with 5ns wide pulse
  - Send trigger signal to DAQ
- Wiener VM-USB VME controller
  - USB interface
  - LabVIEW driver
  - Produce 1  $\mu$ s gate to QDC
- CAEN V792 QDC
  - 12 bit
  - 32 channels
  - Low noise



# LabVIEW Control and Logging

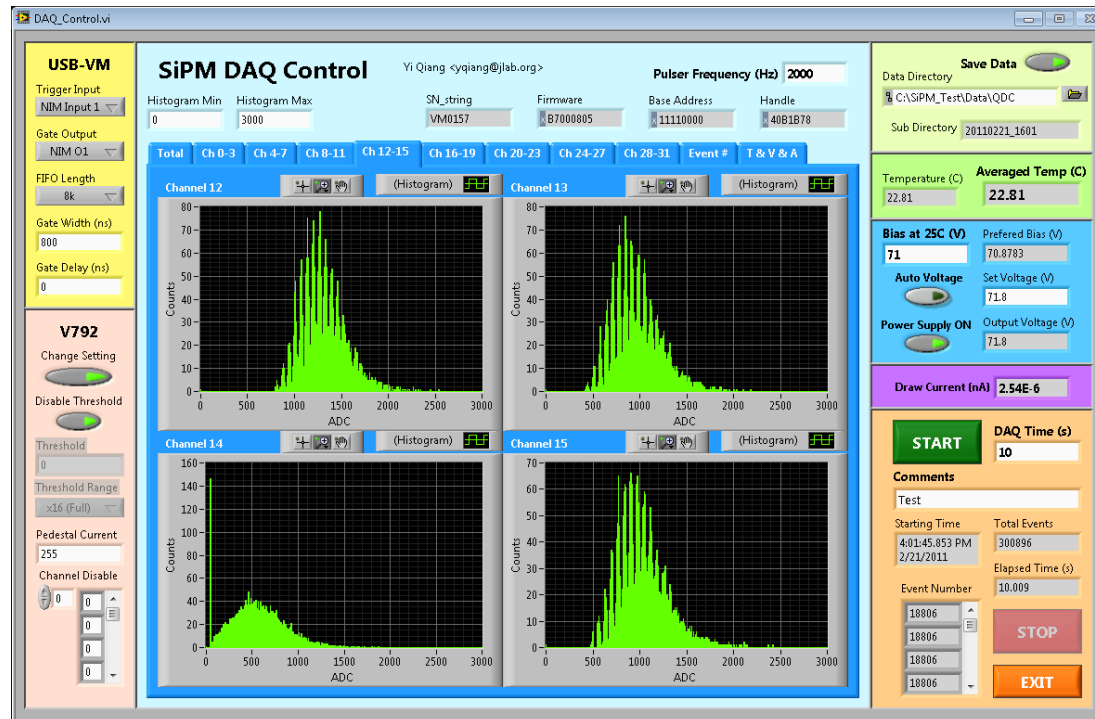
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## ➤ Controls

- ❑ Bias Voltage
- ❑ Pulse frequency
- ❑ DAQ parameters:
  - Gate
  - Delay ...

## ➤ Records

- ❑ QDC readings
- ❑ Temperature
- ❑ Bias Voltage
- ❑ Draw current

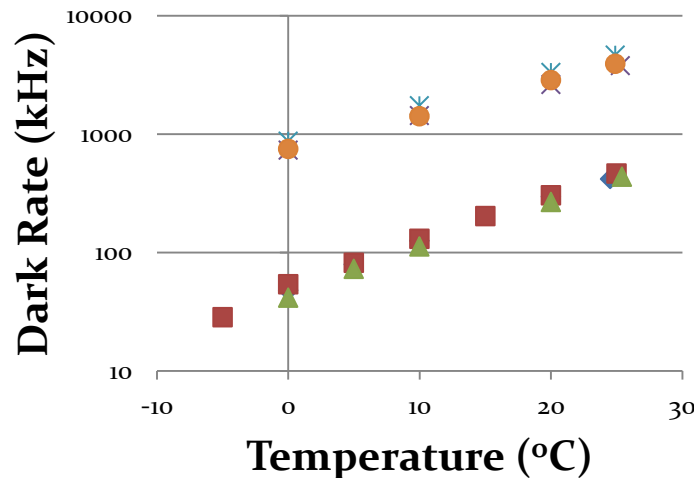




# Temperature and Voltage Correction

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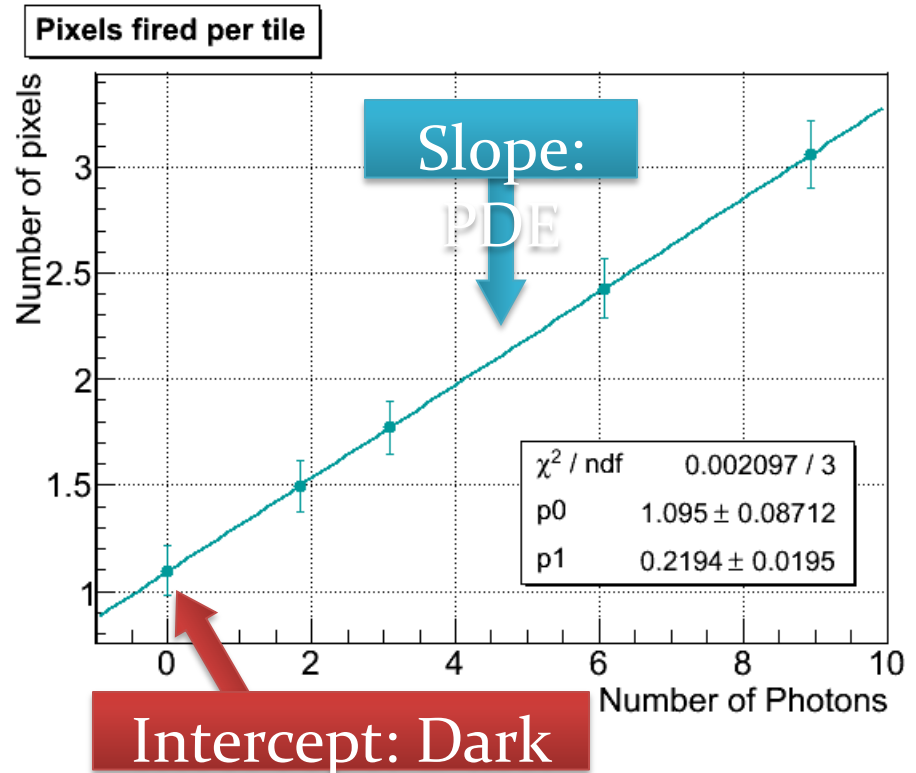
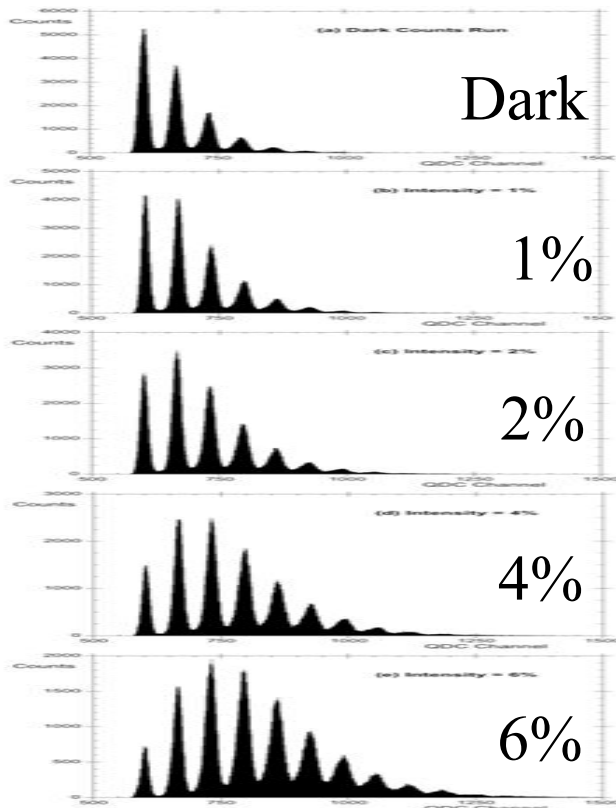
- The operational bias voltage of SiPM array specified by Hamamatsu is for 25°C
- Corrections are applied to the extracted quantities to get values at 25°C and specified bias voltage
- Correction coefficients are obtained from previous measurement or Hamamatsu spec sheet



Previously measured temperature dependence of dark noise

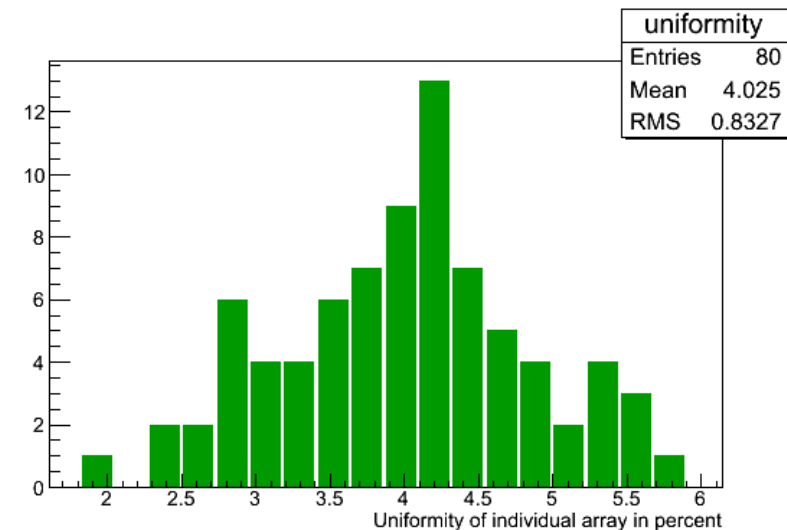
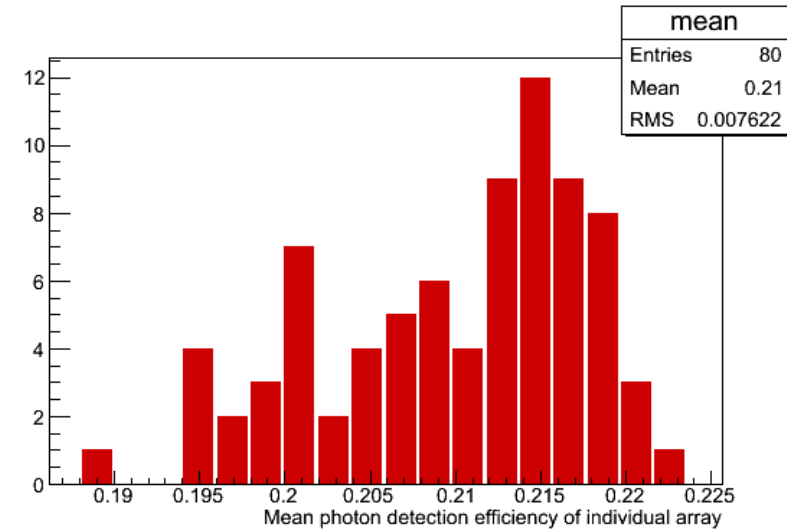
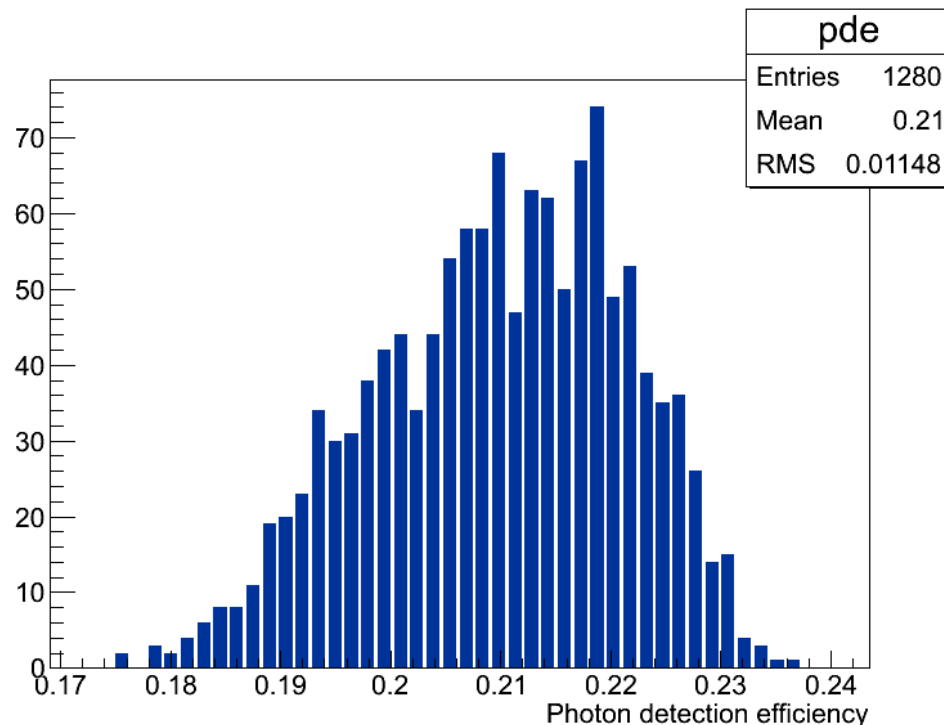
# Dark Noise and PDE

- Five filter settings: dark, 1%, 2%, 4% and 6%
- The LED light intensity was calibrated using a Hamamatsu calibrated photodiode



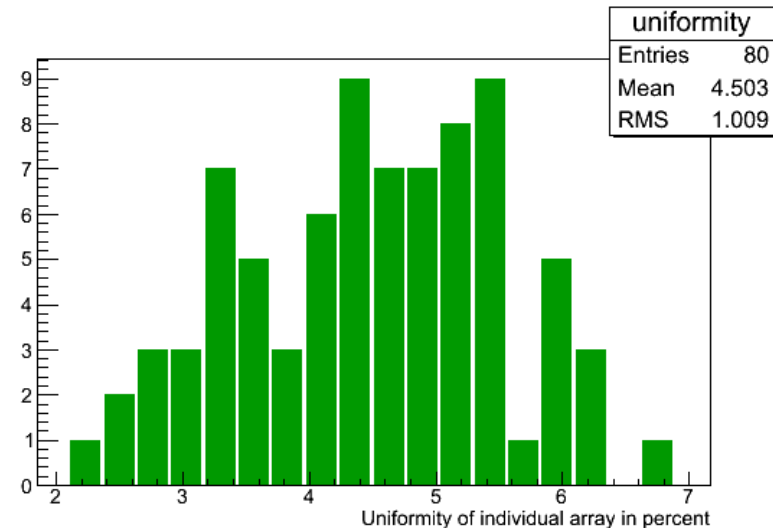
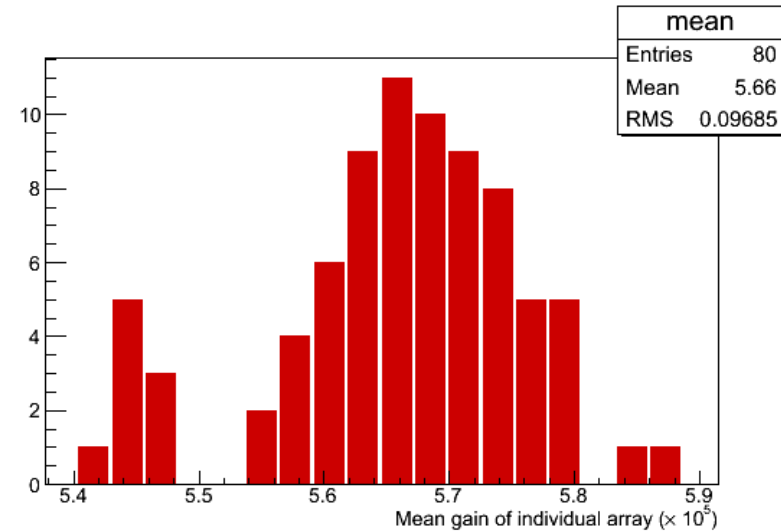
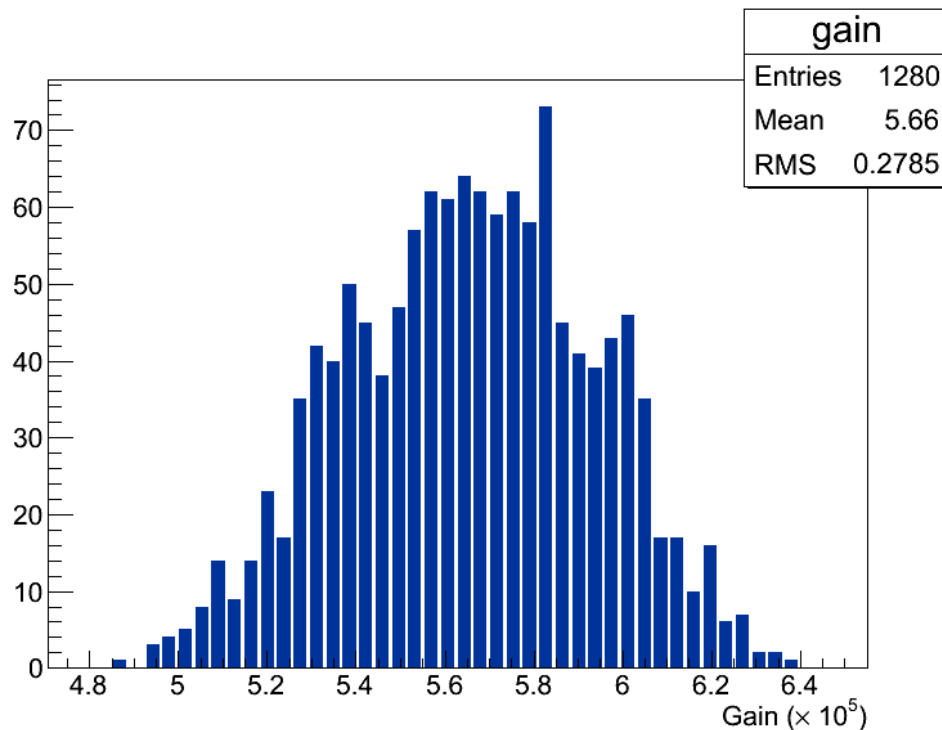
# Photon Detection Efficiency

- Variation among samples: 3.6 %
- Uniformity in an array: 4.0%
- Overall uniformity: 5.5%



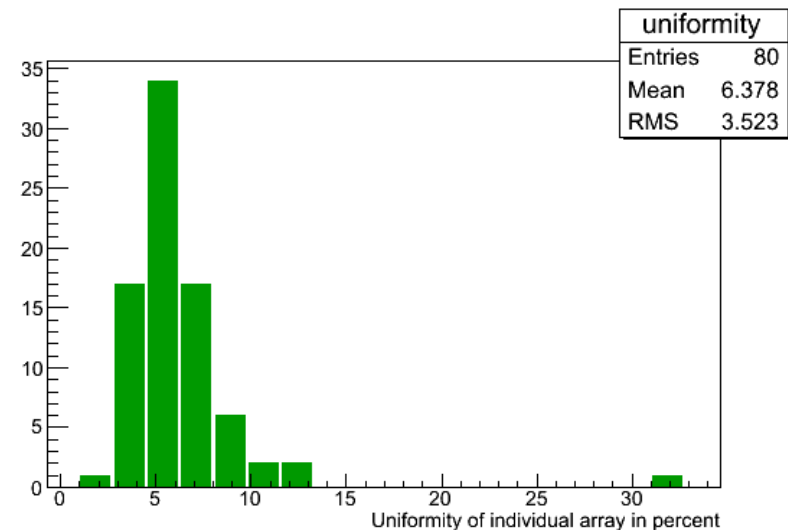
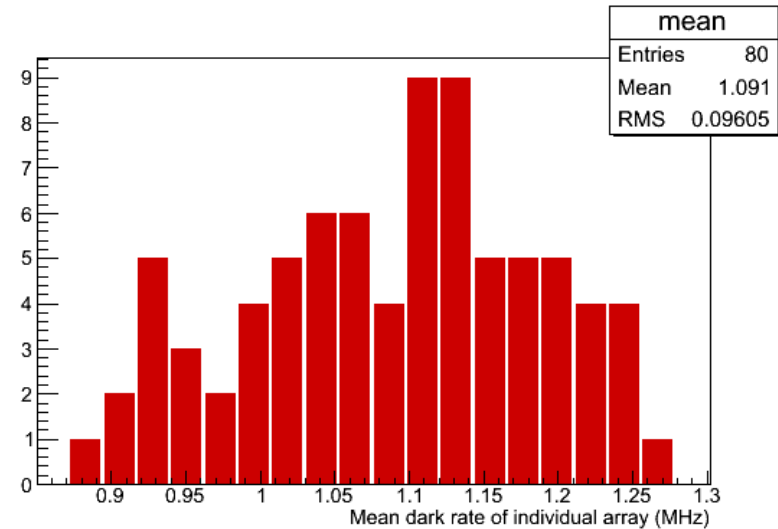
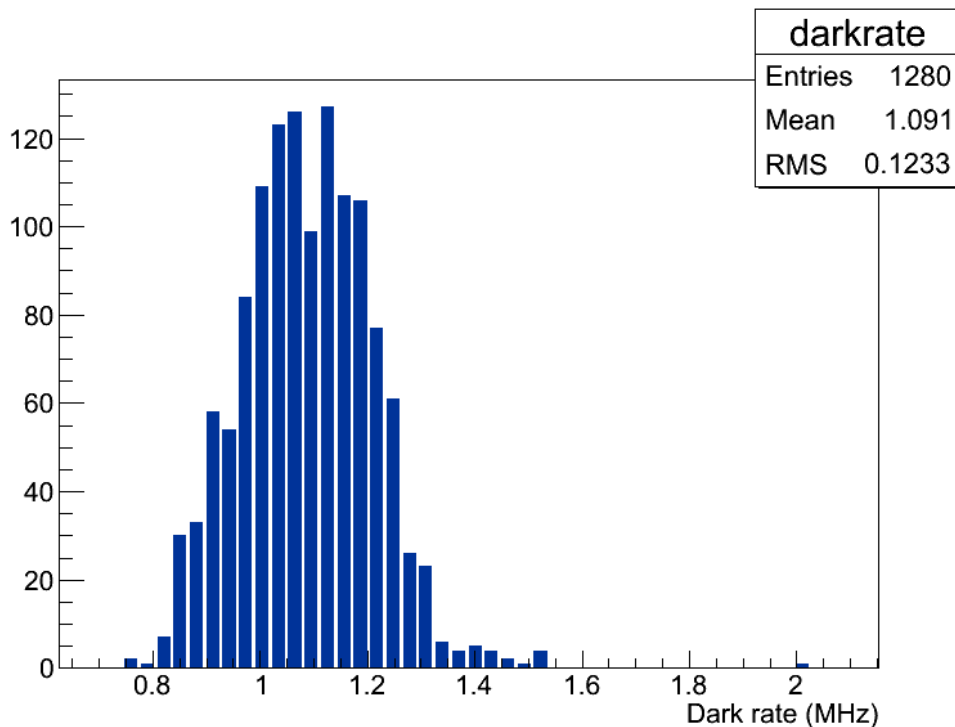
# Gain and Its Uniformity

- Variation among samples: 1.7 %
- Uniformity in an array: 4.5%
- Overall uniformity: 4.9%



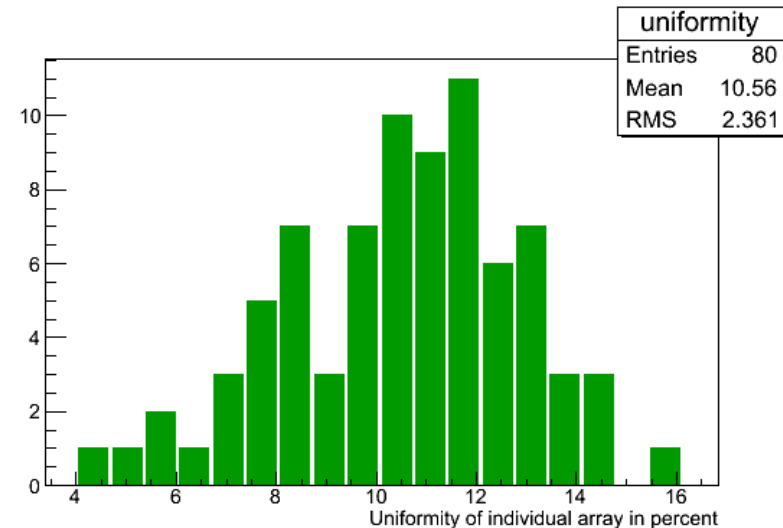
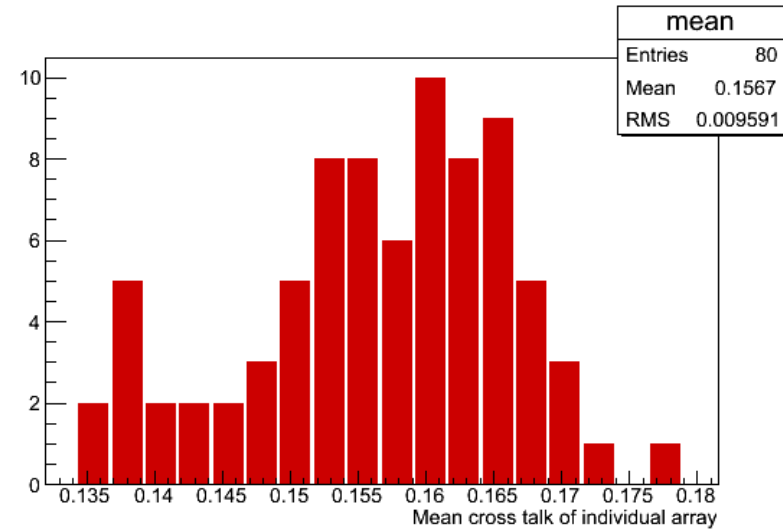
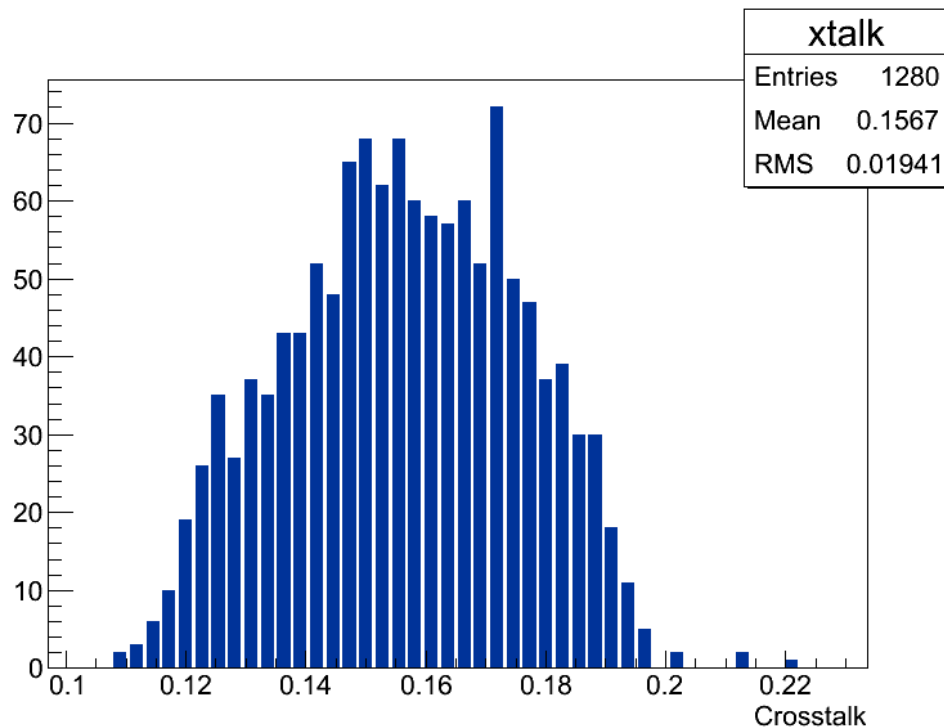
# Dark Rate

- Variation among samples: 8.8 %
- Uniformity in an array: 6.4%
- Overall uniformity: 11.3%
- 4 times lower than previous samples!



# Cross Talk + After Pulse in 1 $\mu$ s

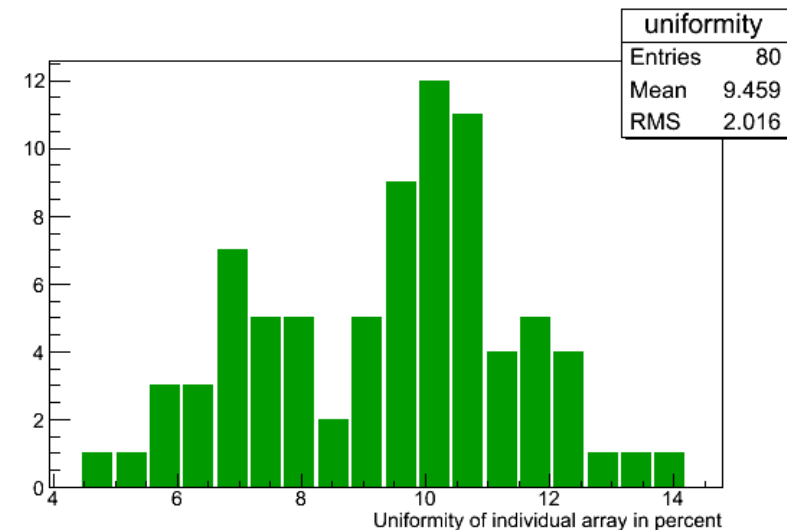
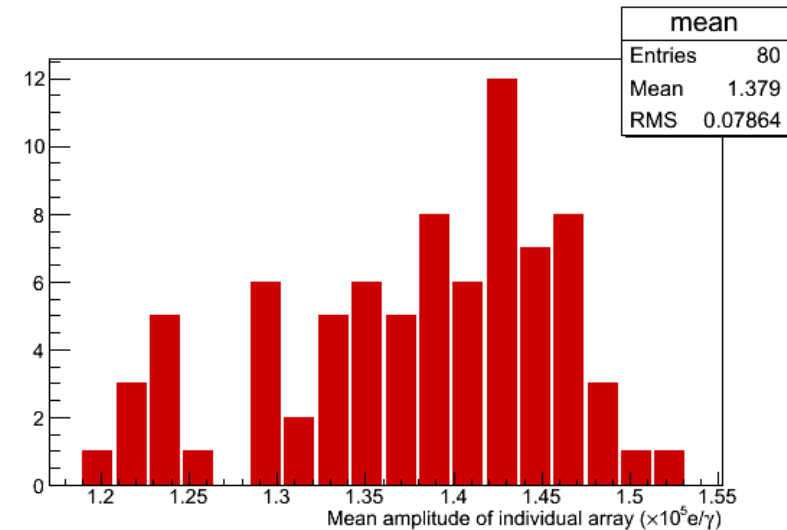
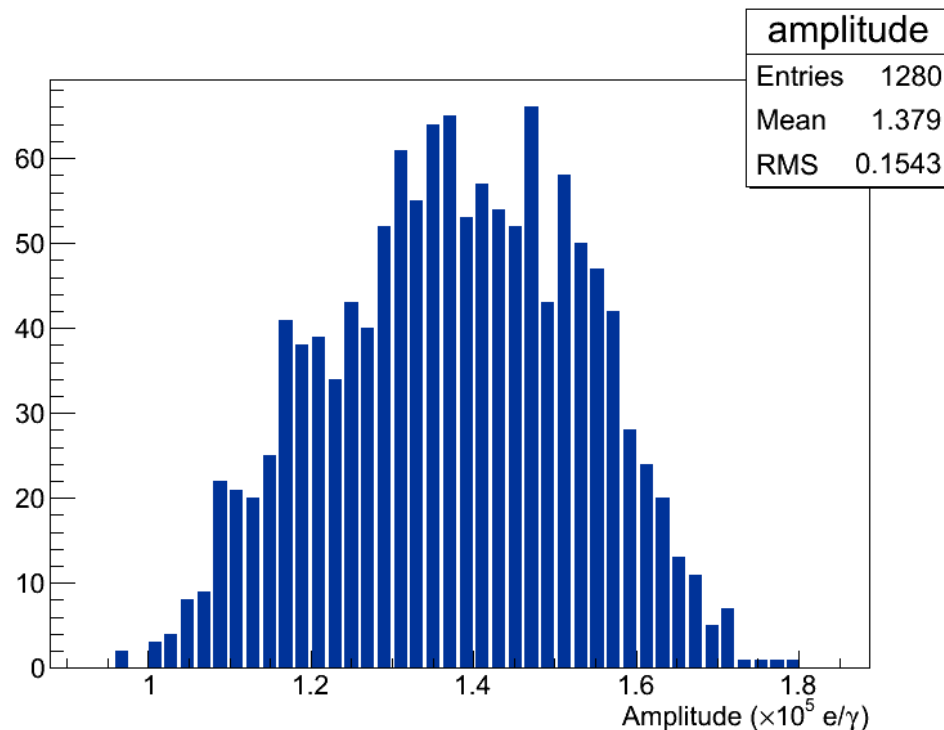
- Variation among samples: 6.1 %
- Uniformity in an array: 10.6%
- Overall uniformity: 12.4%





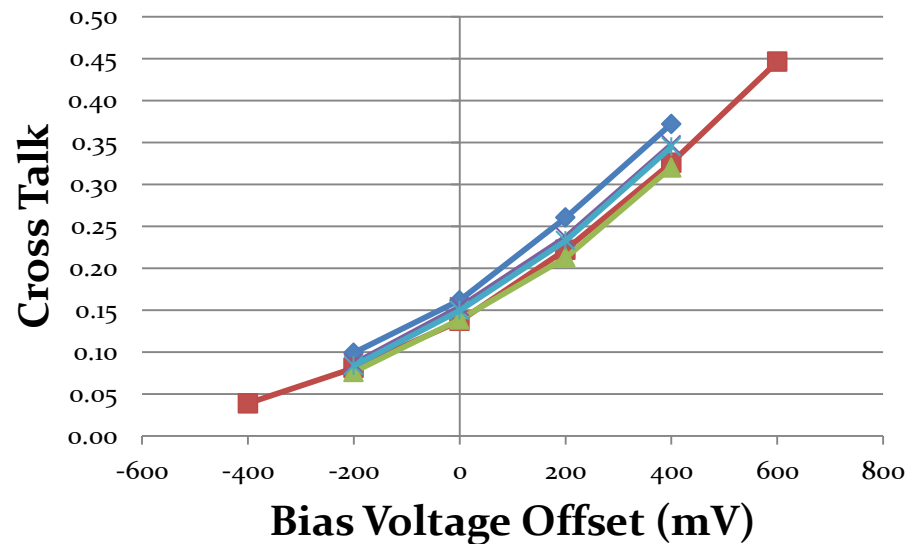
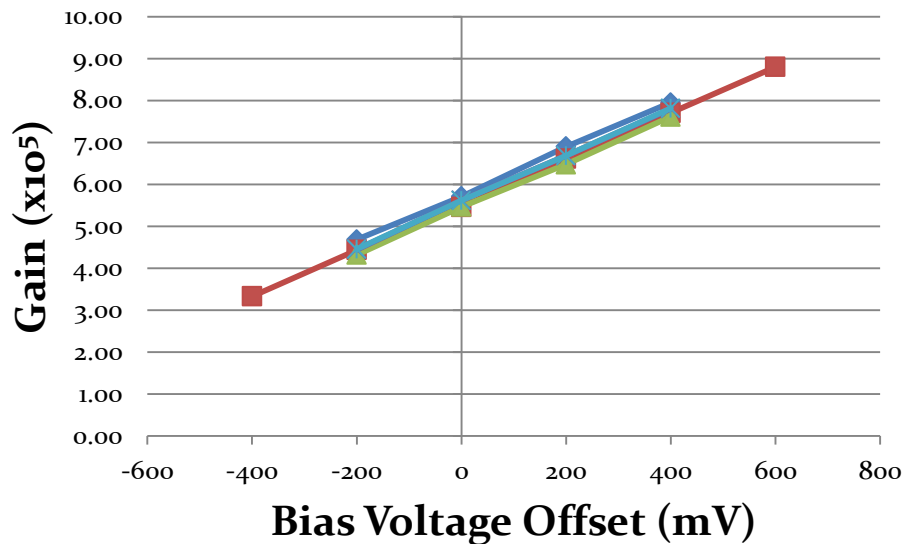
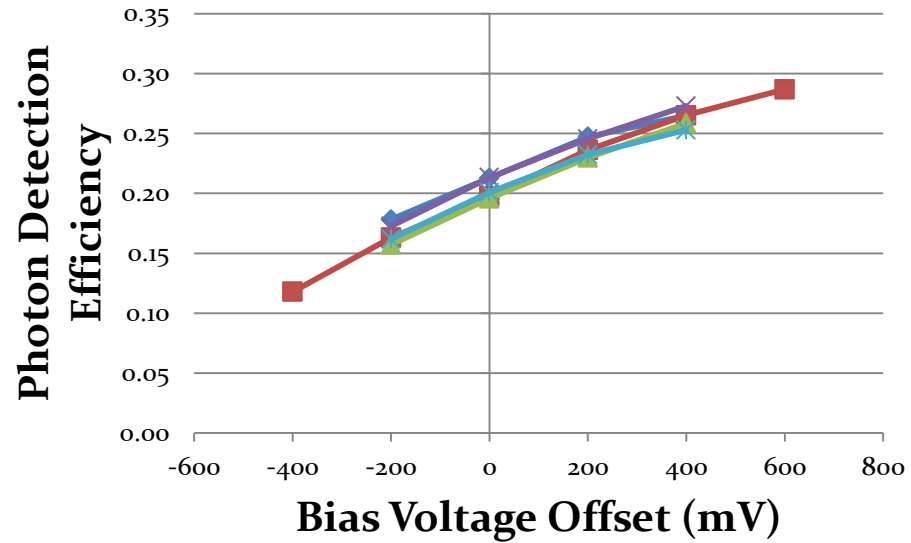
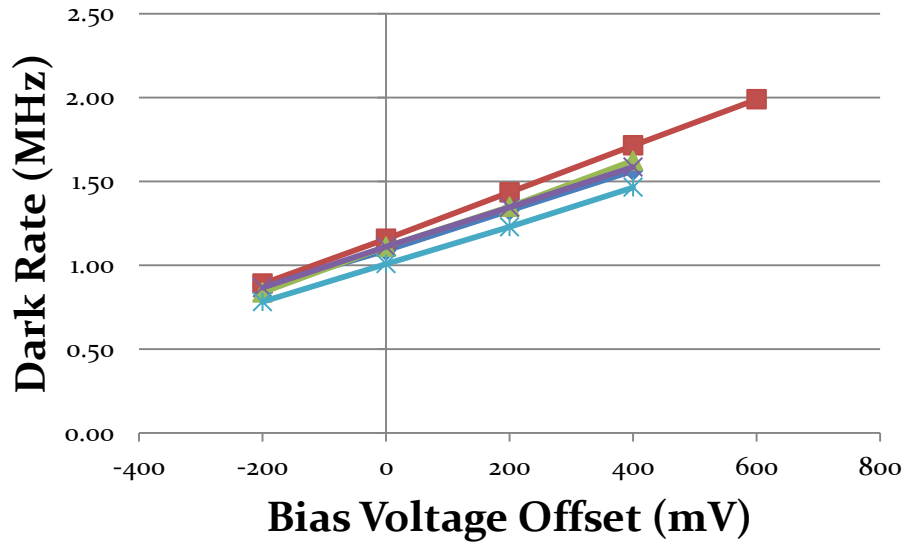
# Total Amplitude: $\text{gain} \times \text{PDE} \times (1 + X\text{-talk})$

- Nominal amplitude:  $1.38 \times 10^5 \text{ e}/\gamma$
- Variation among samples: 5.7 %
- Uniformity in an array: 9.5%
- Overall uniformity: 11.2%



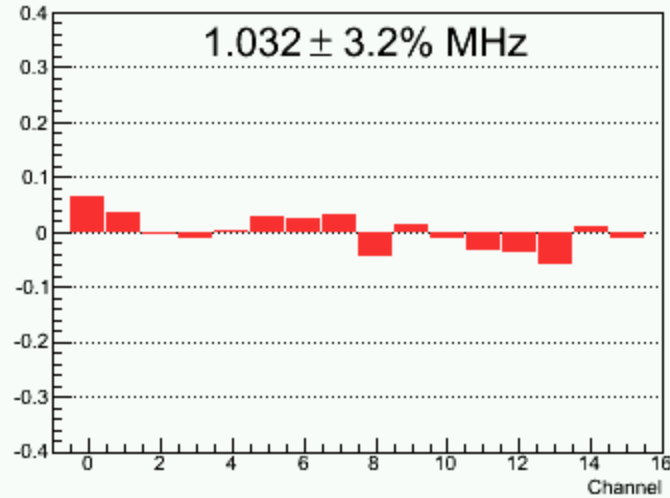
# Bias Voltage Dependence

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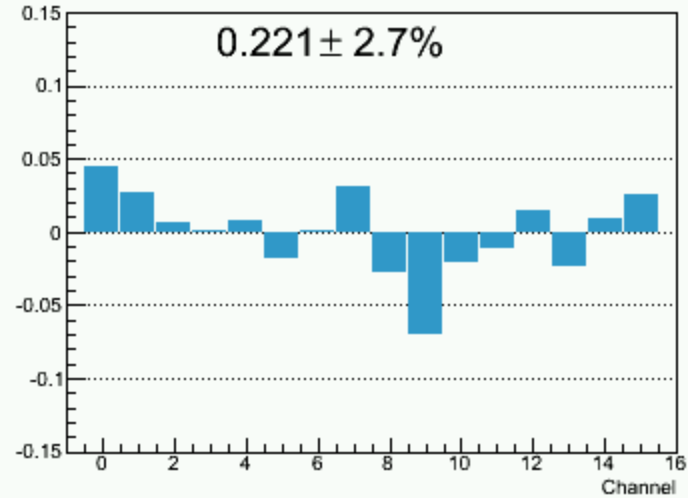


# Typical Uniformities of an Array

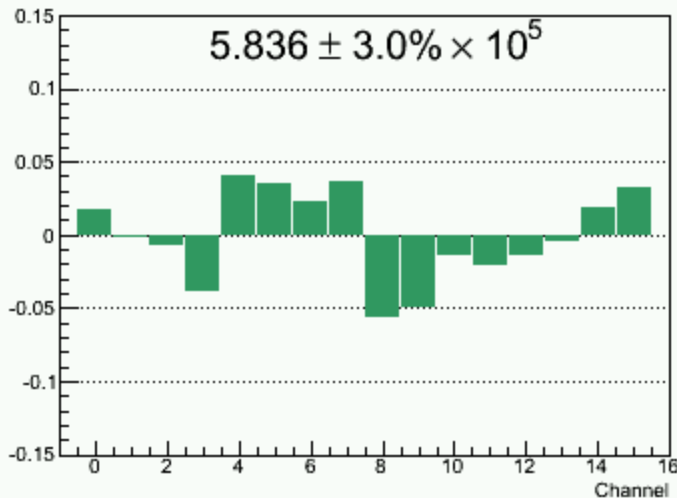
**Dark Rate Uniformity**



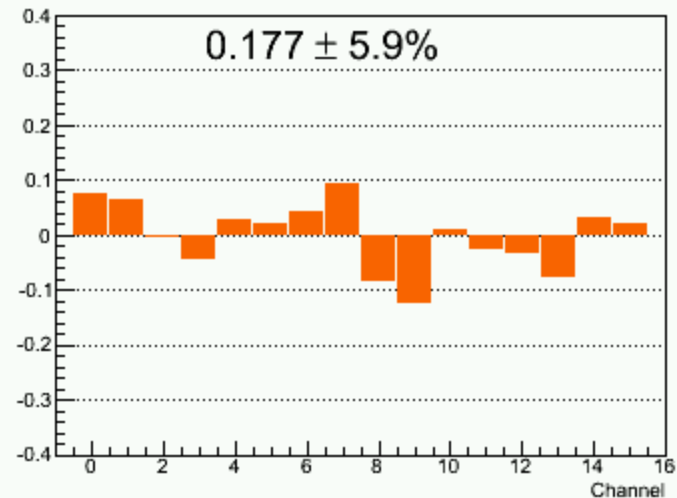
**PDE Uniformity**



**Gain Uniformity**

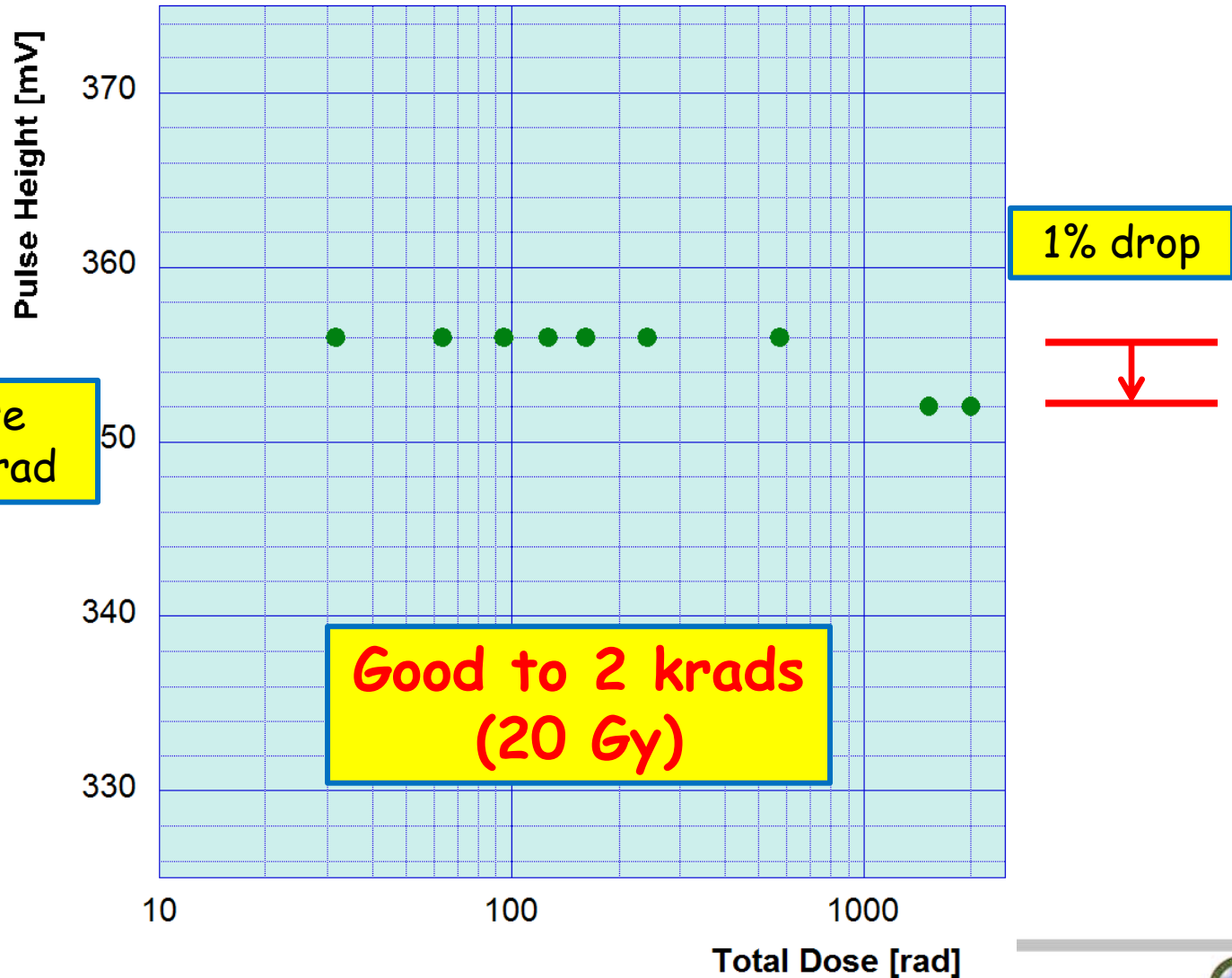


**Cross-Talk Uniformity**



# Minimal Effect from $\gamma$ Irradiation

Pulse Height (mV) vs Total Dose (rad)



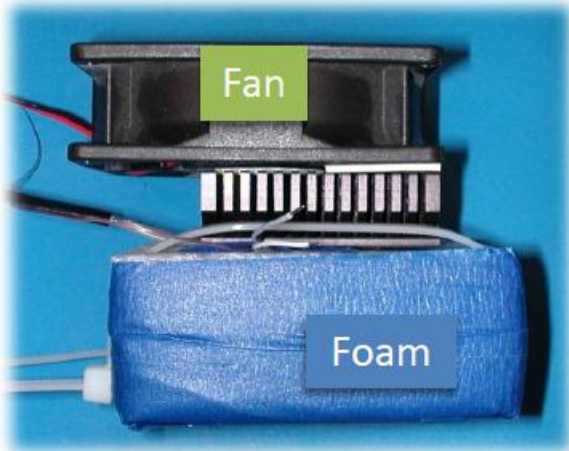
## ➤ Test condition

- ❑ Two irradiations with AmBe: 4.3 and 5.2 rem.
- ❑ Recovered at 0, 25, 40 and 60°C.

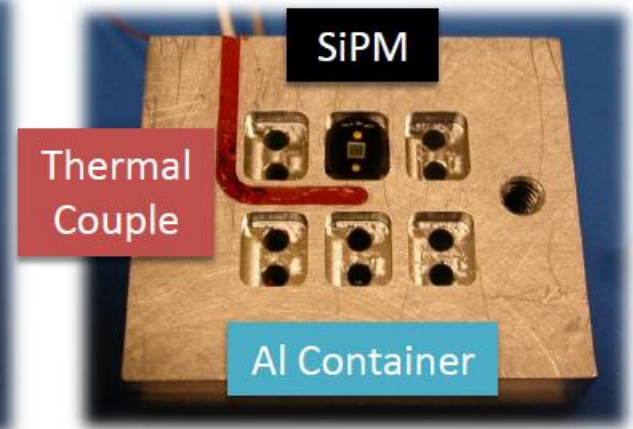
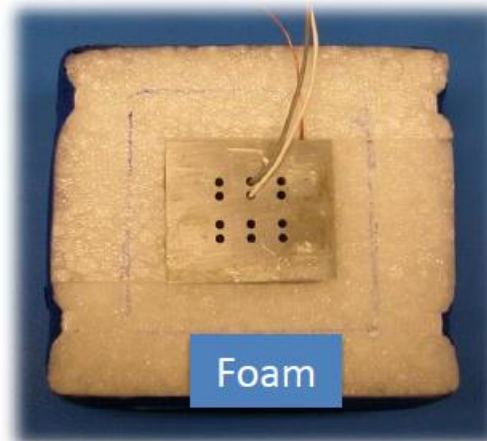
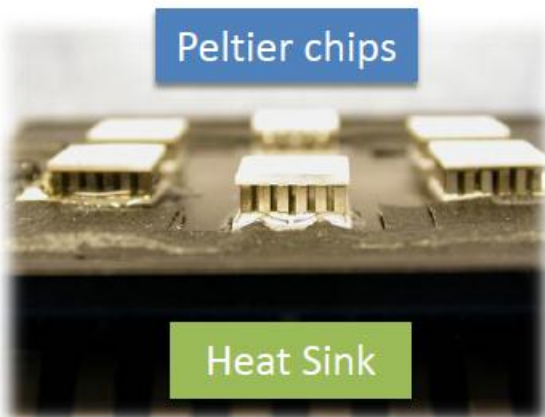
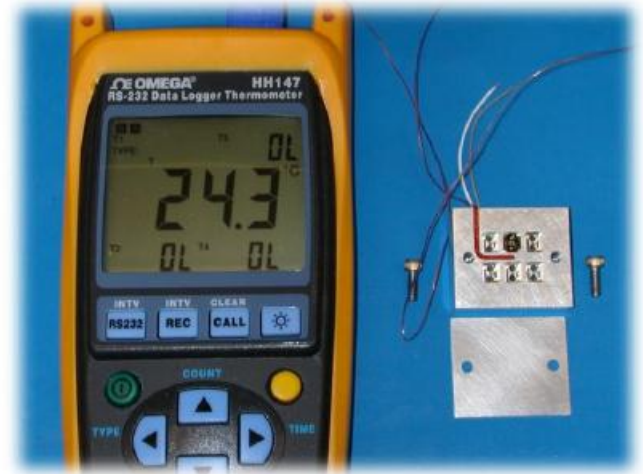
## ➤ Conclusion

- ❑ Higher temperature brings faster recovery:
  - $\tau \sim 5$  days for 25°C
  - $\tau < 1$  day for 40 and 60°C
- ❑ Damage independent on previous radiation dose or recovery condition.
- ❑ Recovered dark current goes linearly with the radiation dose.

# Irradiation Setup

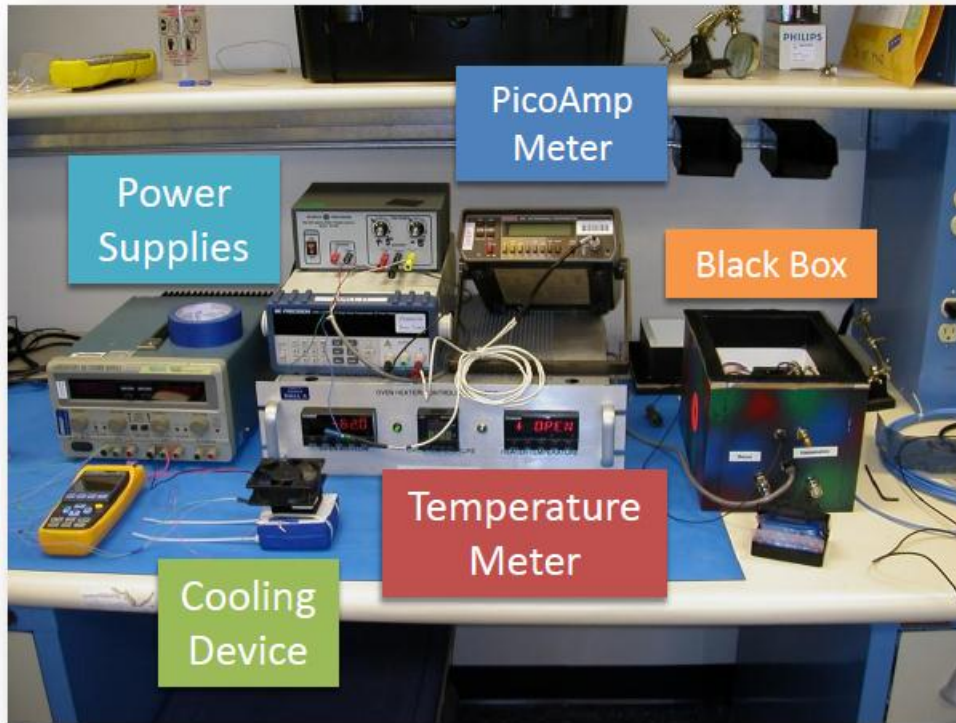


With six Peltier effect chips, the device can cool six SiPMs to  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$  room temperature.



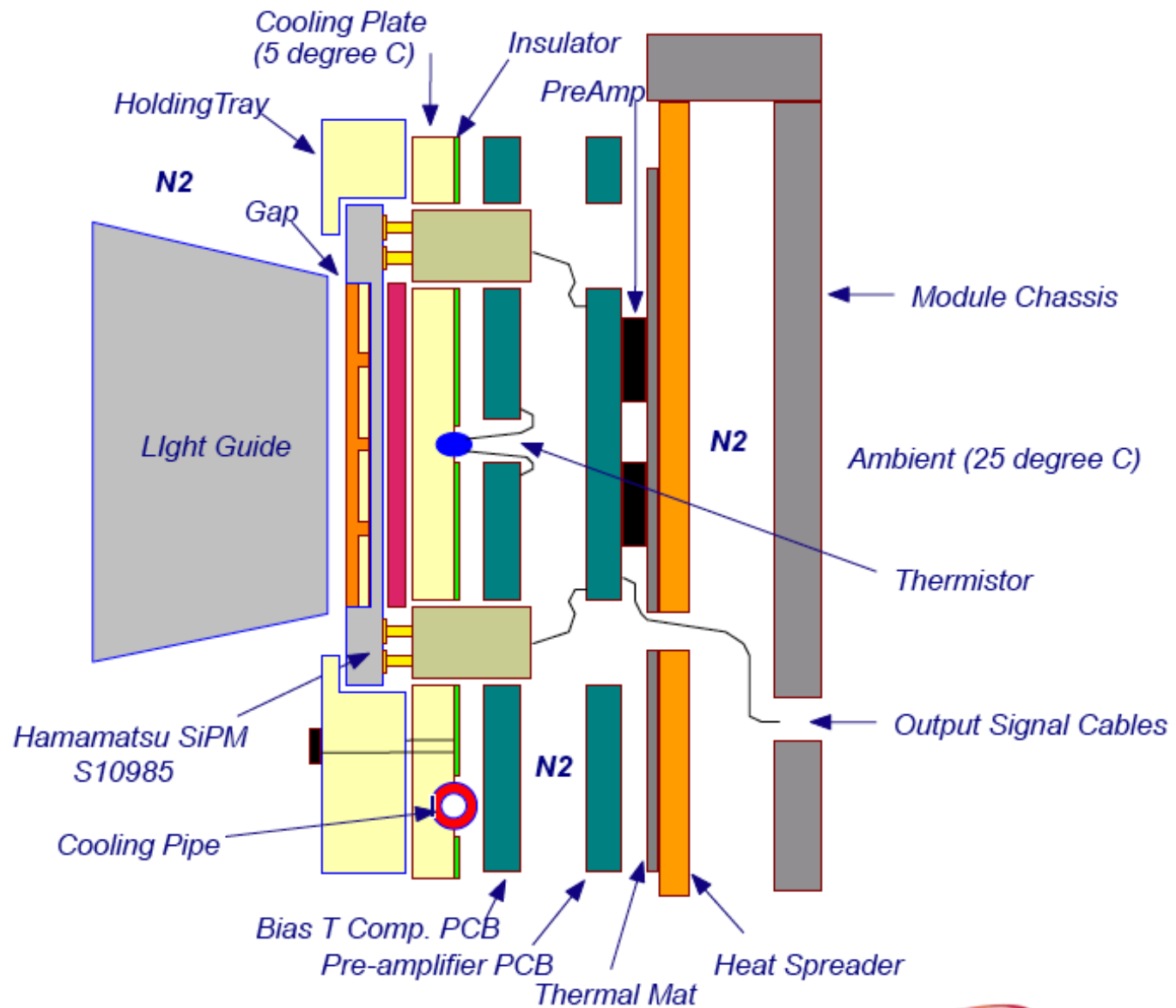


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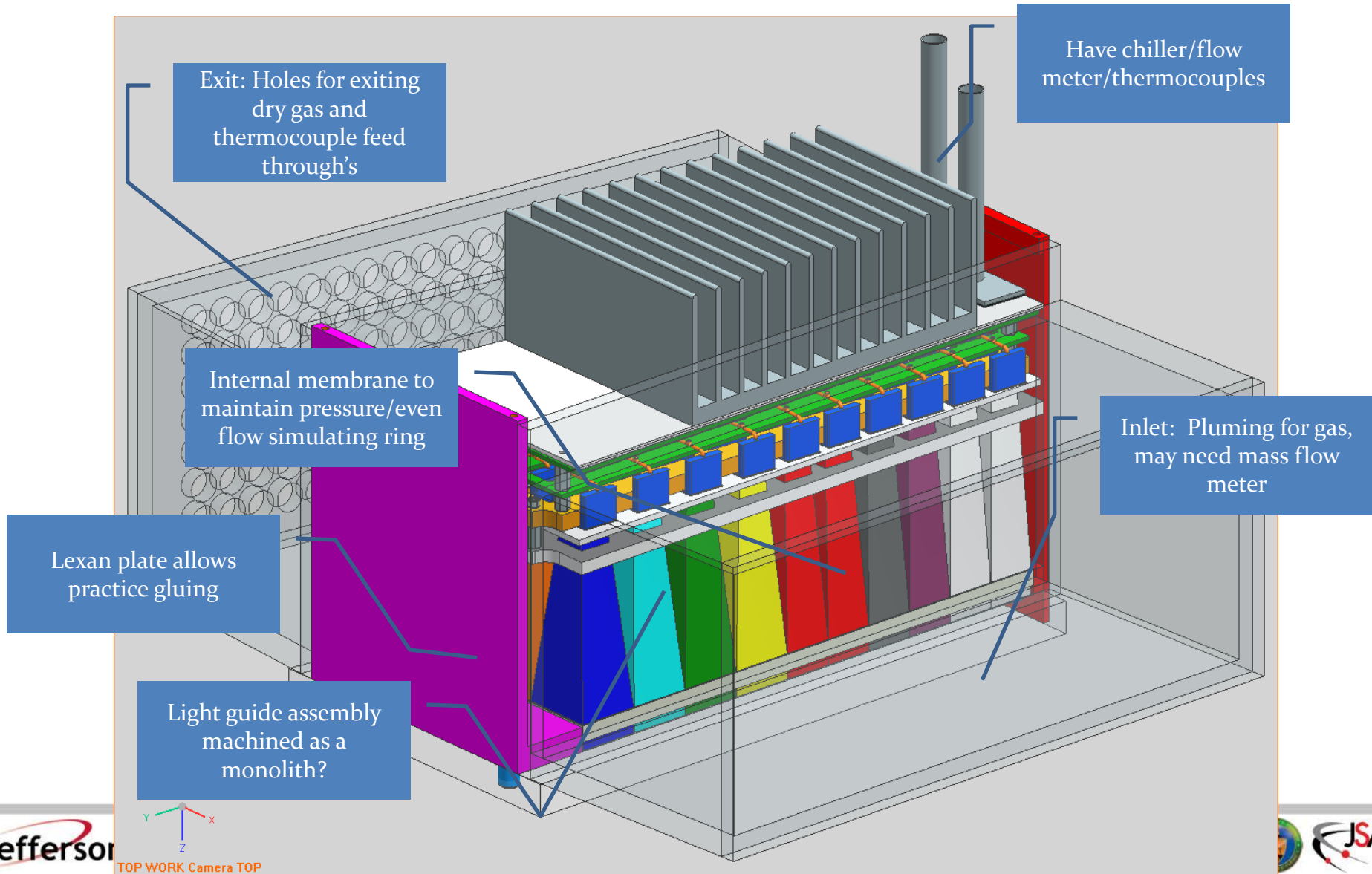
## BCAL Readout Cooling Concept

### Cutaway View Single SiPM Shown



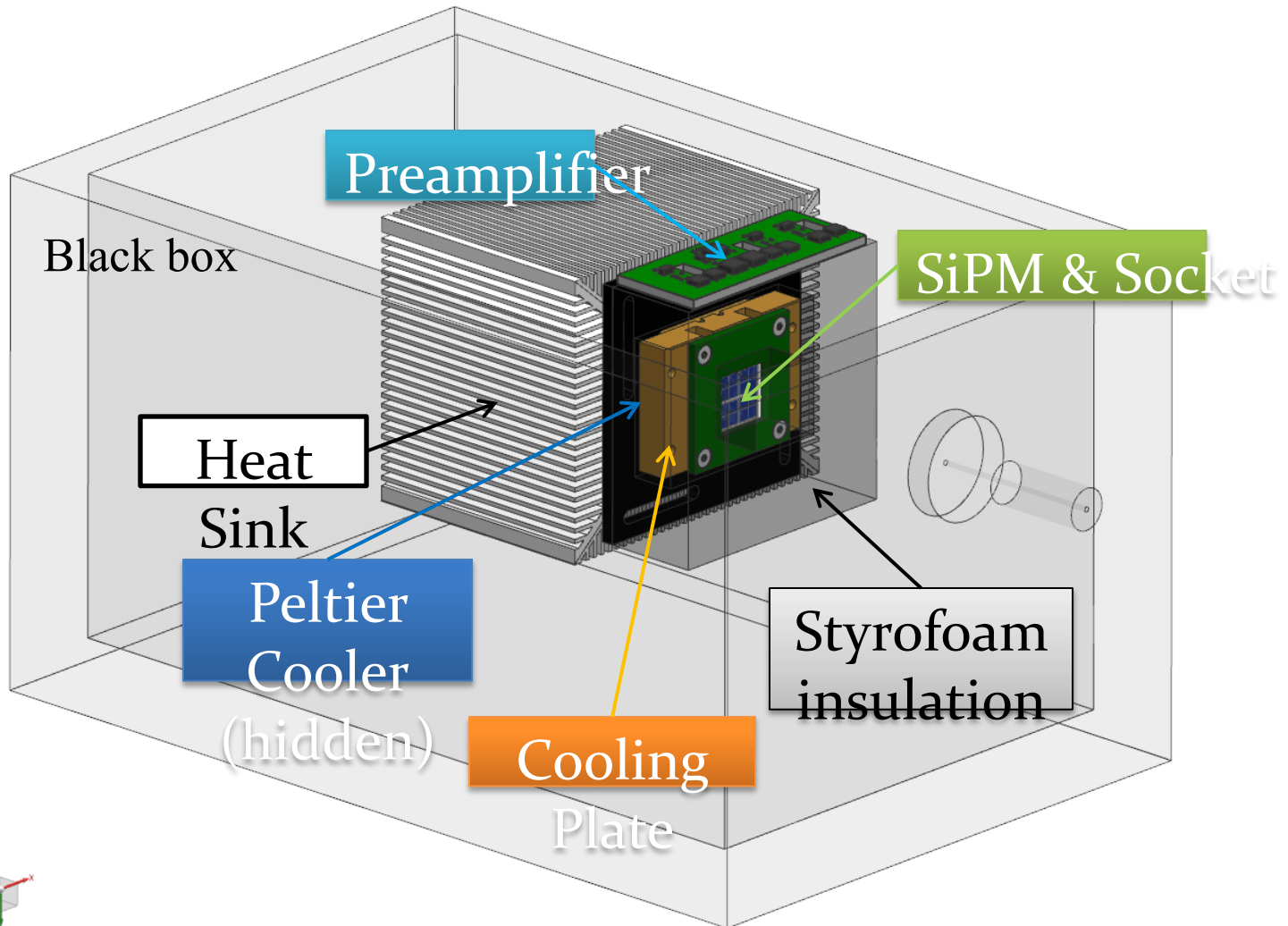
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# Prototype to test cooling concept



# Temperature Test

➤ A cooling box is being built for such a test



# Large-scale testing of SiPMs at USM

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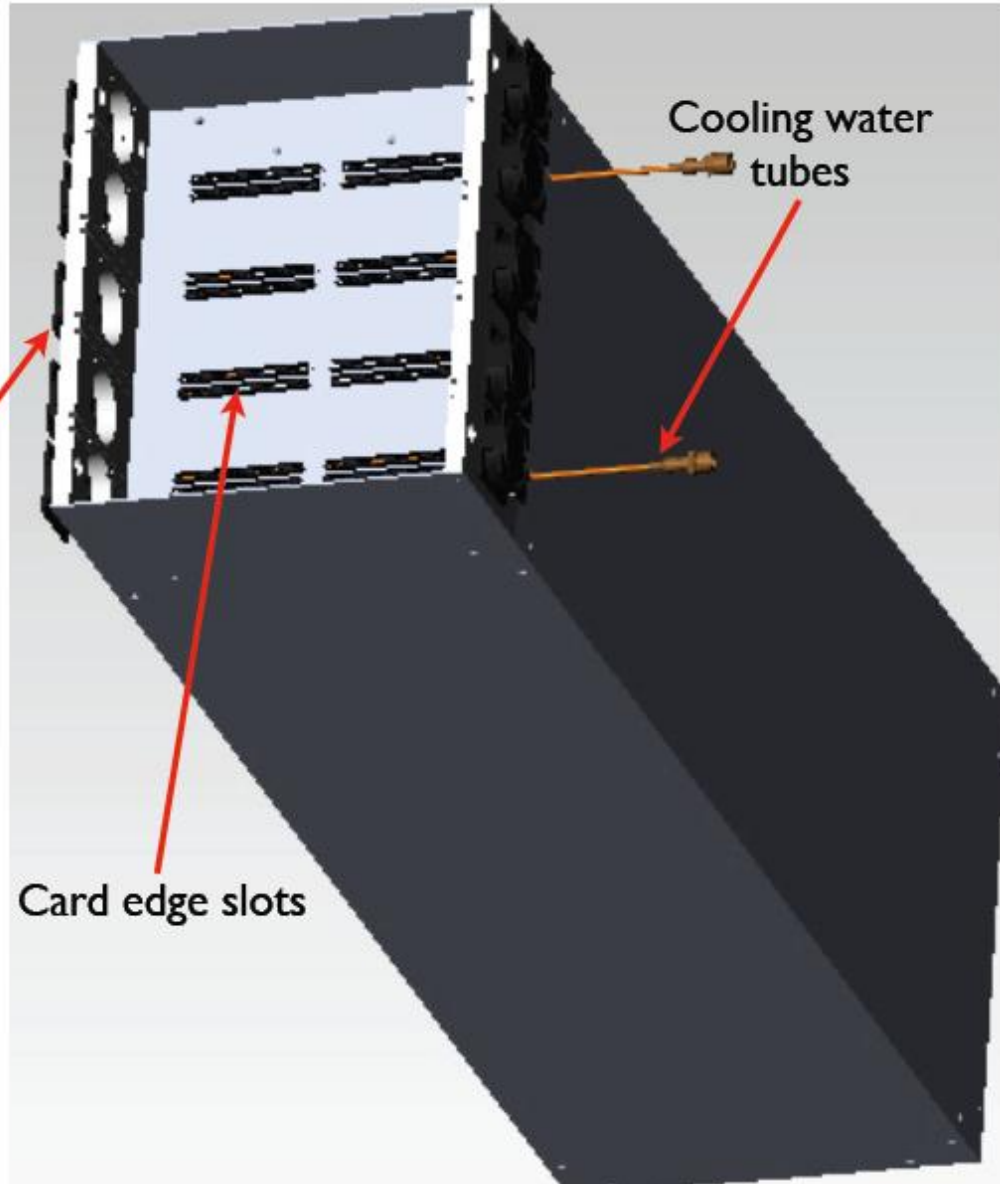
- Chilean import issues now seem to be under control  
Small percentage charged monthly
- Finishing design of second prototype board for mounting SiPMs  
More modular design; quickly-replaceable amplifiers,  
daughterboard for current measurement function
- Providing for test of up to 32 modules at a time
- Optical box under construction, will be completed in ~1-2 weeks
- Chiller for temperature control in house, tested



# Reminder: testing facility concept

Dark box, 0.5 m long  
32 MPPCs mounted  
inside

Fans for air cooling  
of electronics



Pavlo Bazalyeyev,  
new technician,  
with student  
holding copper  
plate

Materials seen are  
for dark box  
construction  
(aluminum plate).