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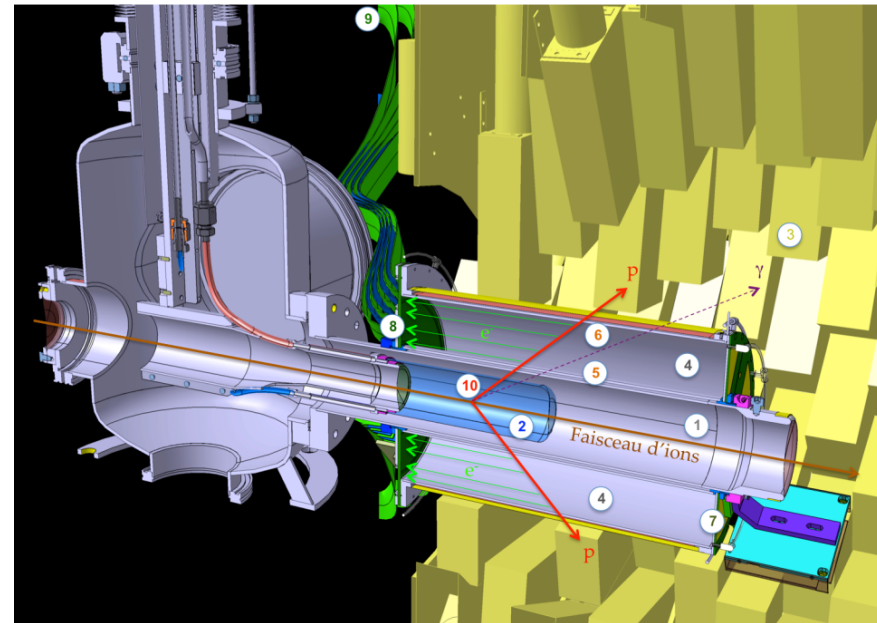
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THE MINOS TPC

FOR THE SPECTROSCOPY OF THE MOST EXOTIC NUCLEI

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- **MINOS (Magic Numbers Off Stability) : context and scientific cases**

- **The MINOS Vertex detector : history and description of the technical choices**
 - ✓ TPC Vs cylindrical Tracker
 - ✓ Gas choice
 - ✓ Electric field cage : a design greatly inspired by the PANDA TPC
 - ✓ The TPC 2D imaging readout plane (RP) : a Micromegas MPGD
 - ✓ The TPC readout electronics and its connection to the RP (**D. Calvet**)

- **The TPC validation with an ion beam and its first use in an experiment @ RIKEN**

- **Conclusion et perspectives**

ERC grant allocated in november 2010, for 5 years, 1,1 M€ (incl. 286 k€ Postdoc, 400 k€ invest, 85k€ exp)

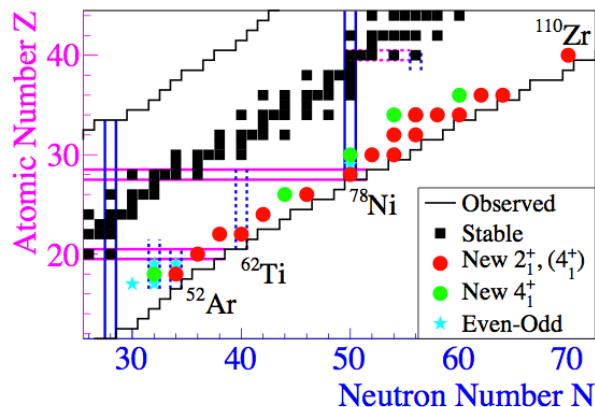
Physics motivations:

Study of the shell structure of very exotic and unstable nuclei on new generation radioactive beams

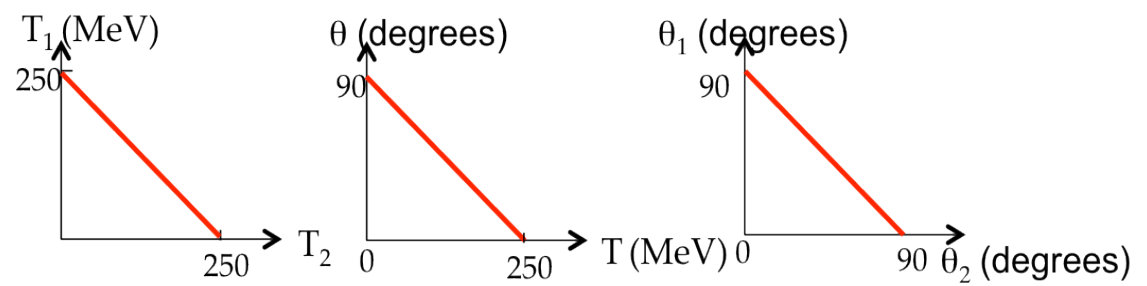
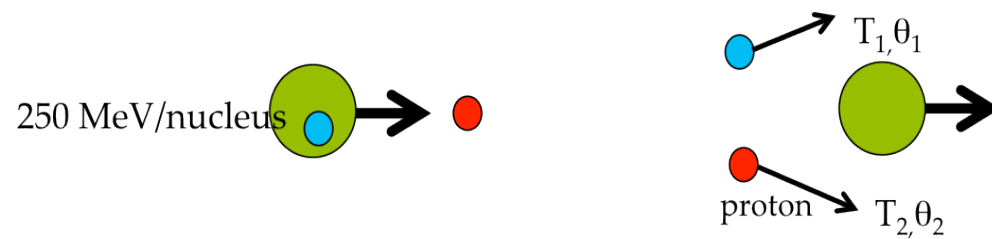
Instrumental method:

Gamma spectroscopy of knock-out reactions of radioactive nuclei impinging on a proton rich target

Innovation: Improving luminosity and preserving gamma energy resolution by coupling a **thick liquid hydrogen target** with a **TPC** to localise the vertex with 4 mm resolution and apply Doppler corrections to measured γ energies in the spectrometer (DALI2 @RIKEN or AGATA @FAIR)

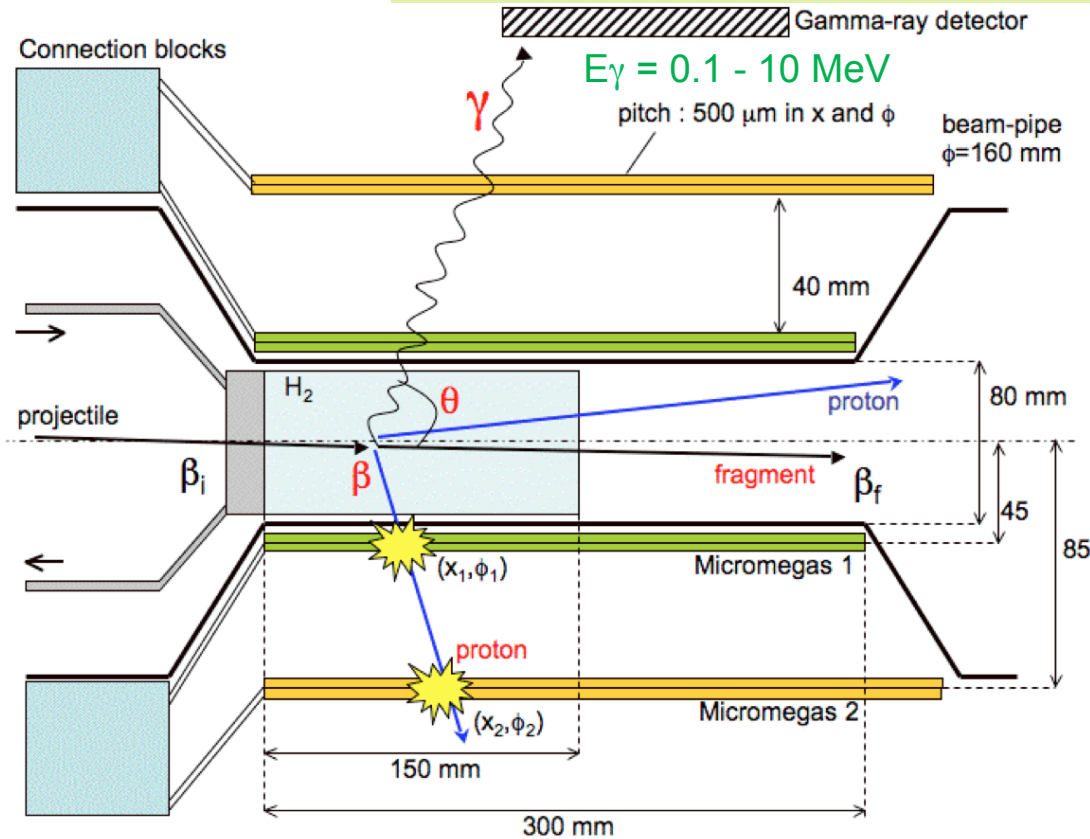


Kinematics of knock-out reactions



2010	ERC grant, PI: A. Obertelli
2011	simulations and design construction proposal endorsed by RIBF NP-PAC
2012	construction MOU between RIKEN Nishina Center and DSM
2013	in beam validation at HIMAC experiments approved by RIBF NP-PAC (spokespersons: CEA-RNC-CNS-TiTech)
2014	first two experiments at RIBF

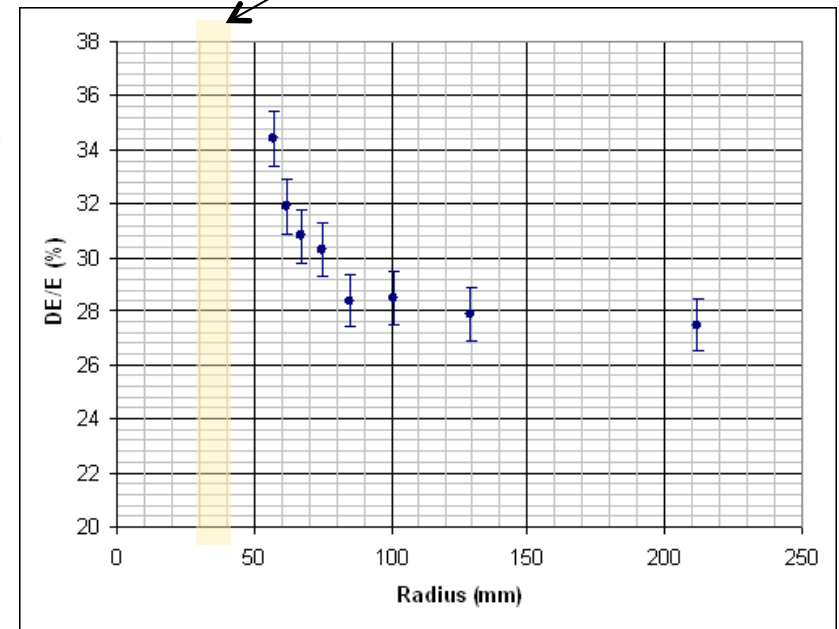
Liquid hydrogen target vs 1-cm Be target: luminosity × 5



Correction Doppler

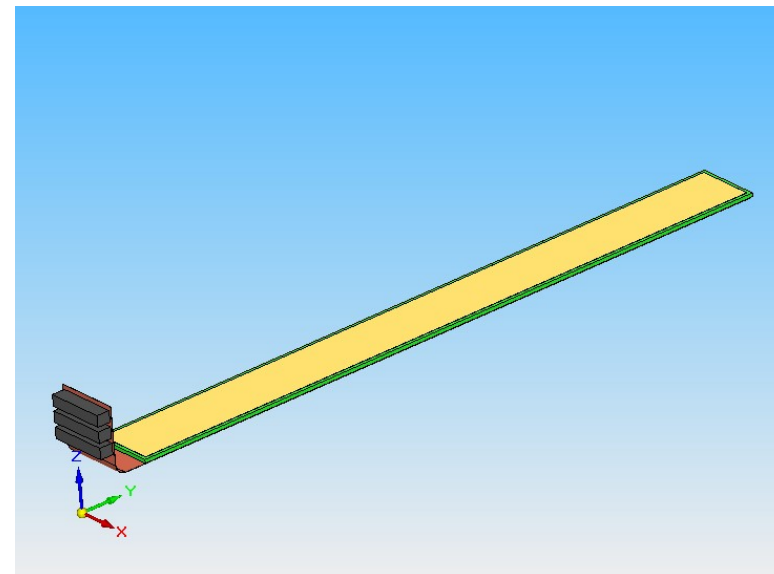
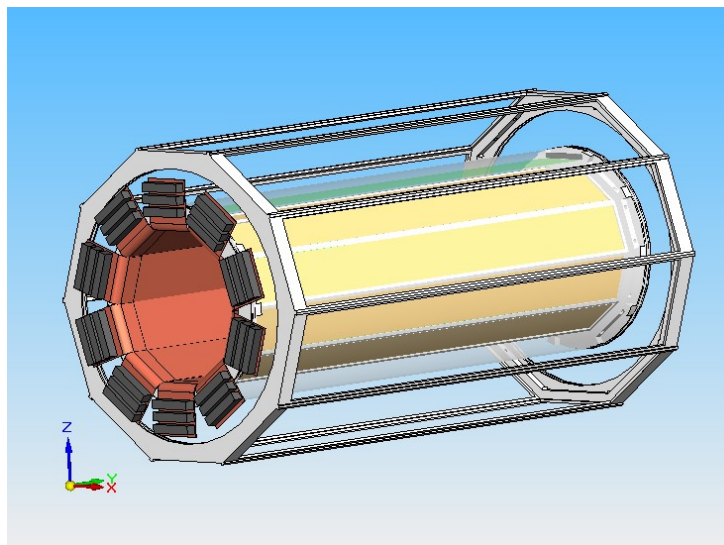
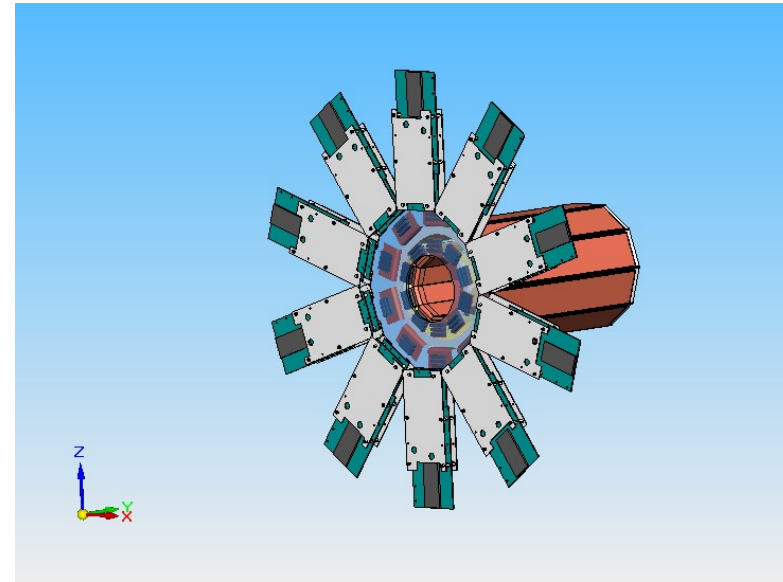
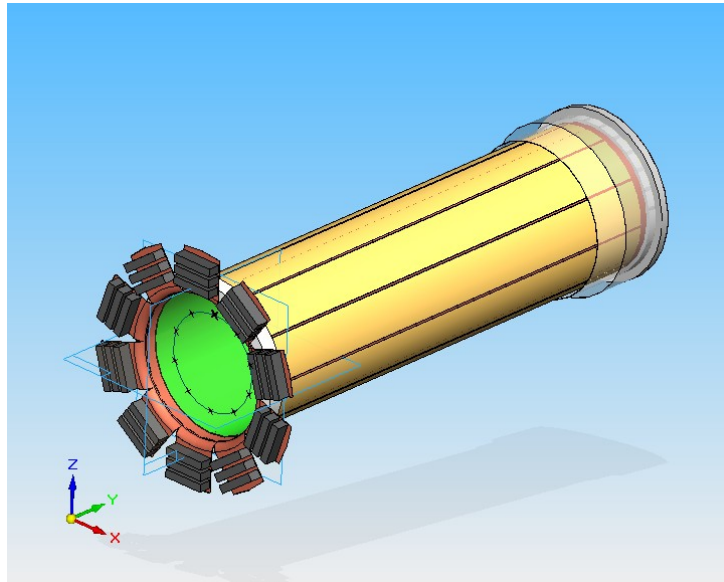
$$E = E_\gamma \frac{(1 - \beta \cos \theta)}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

MINOS inner tracker radius

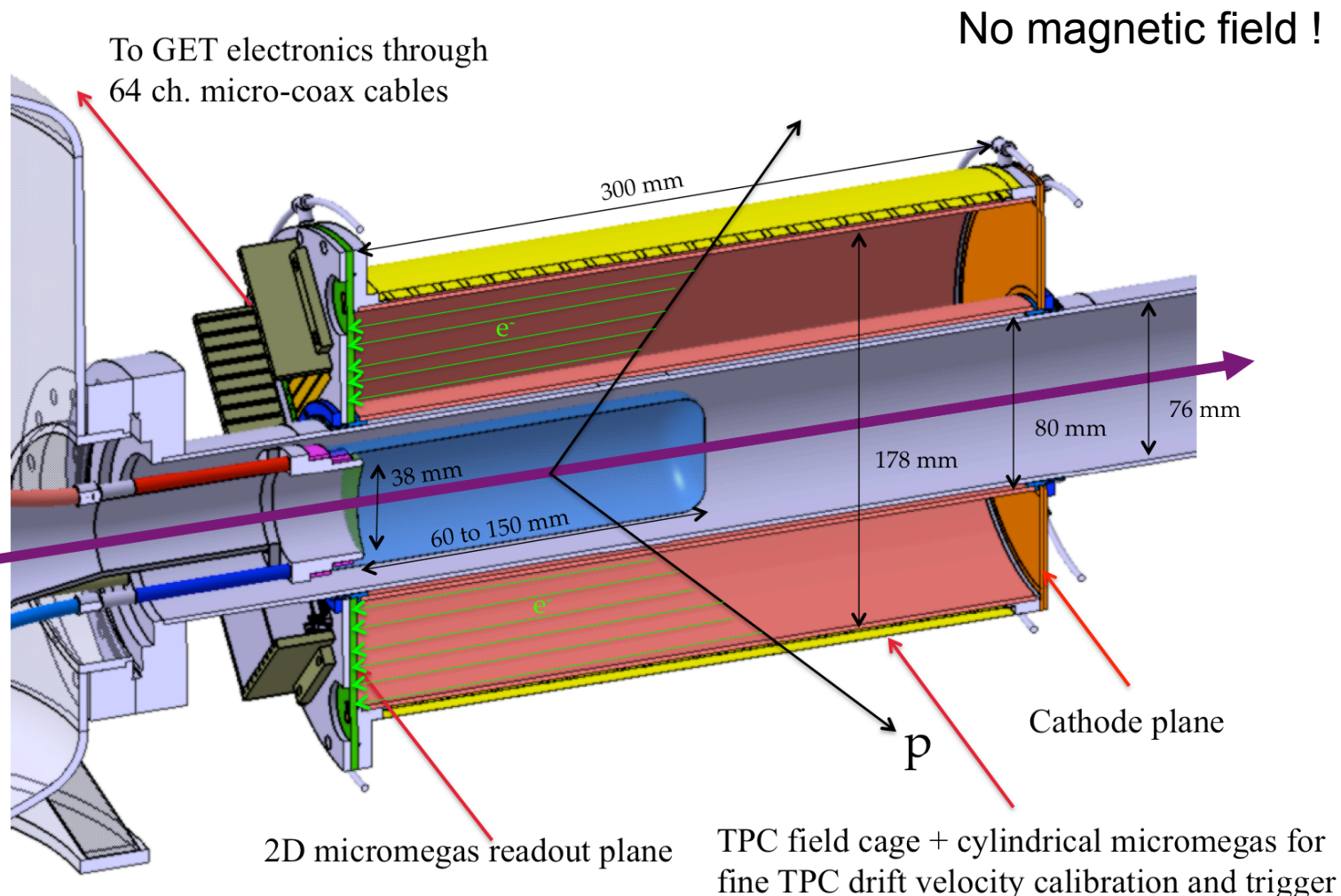
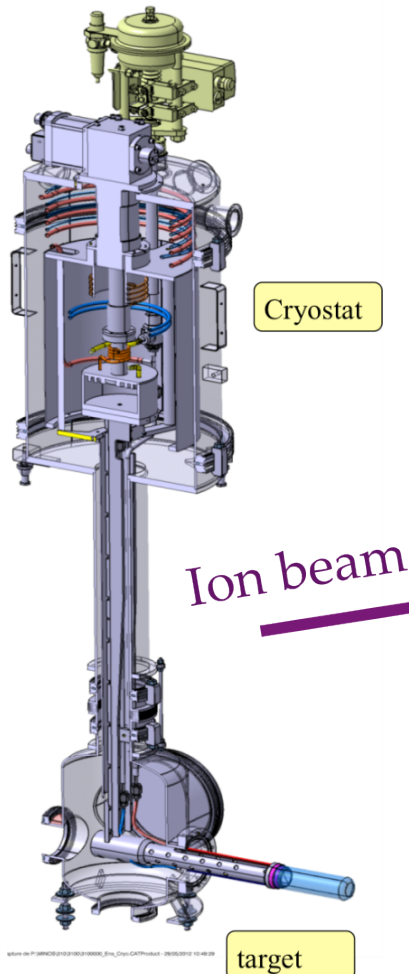


CLAS12 cylindrical prototype (2009)

- Cylindrical micromegas tracker drawbacks**
- A 2-3 orders of magnitude greater sparking probability than in TPC mode
 - Feasibility for $\approx 30-40 \text{ mm}$ radius of curvature ?
 - 4 layers of cathodes, high capacitance strips, extraction of signals, higher radiation length, ...



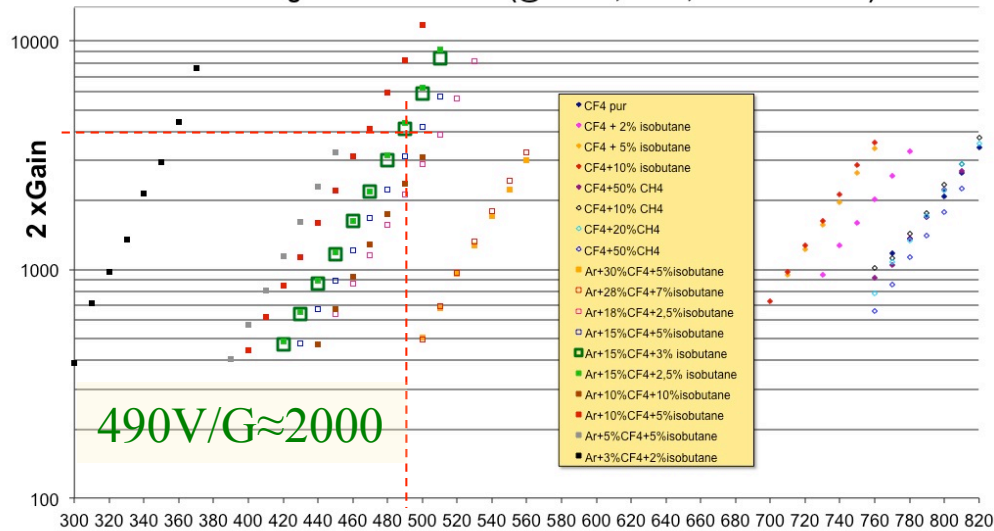
Liquid hydrogen cryogenic system



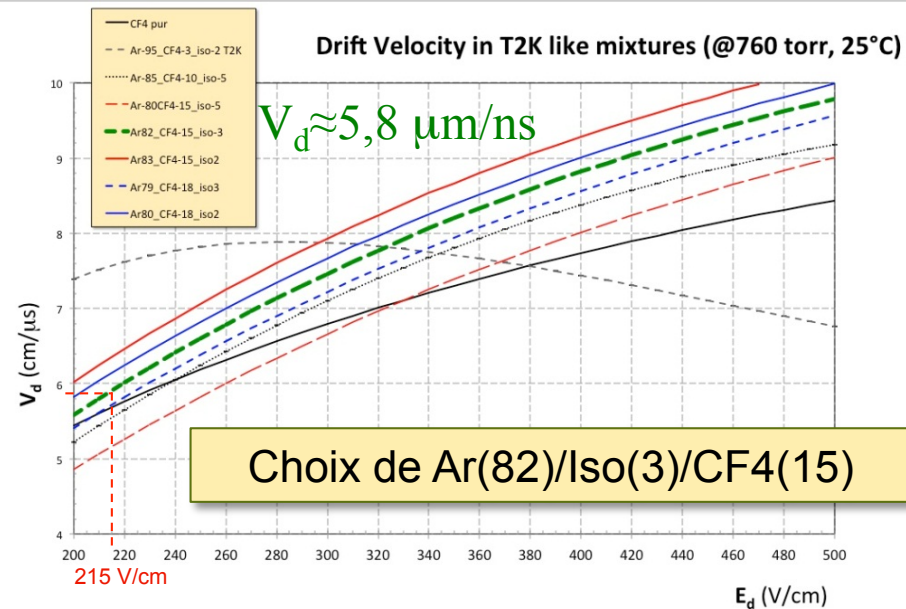
The MINOS Vertex tracker

A compact **cylindrical TPC** readout with a **bulk-micromegas** pad plane and **GET electronics**, surrounded by a cylindrical micromegas tracker and two DSSD beam monitors (up&downstream)

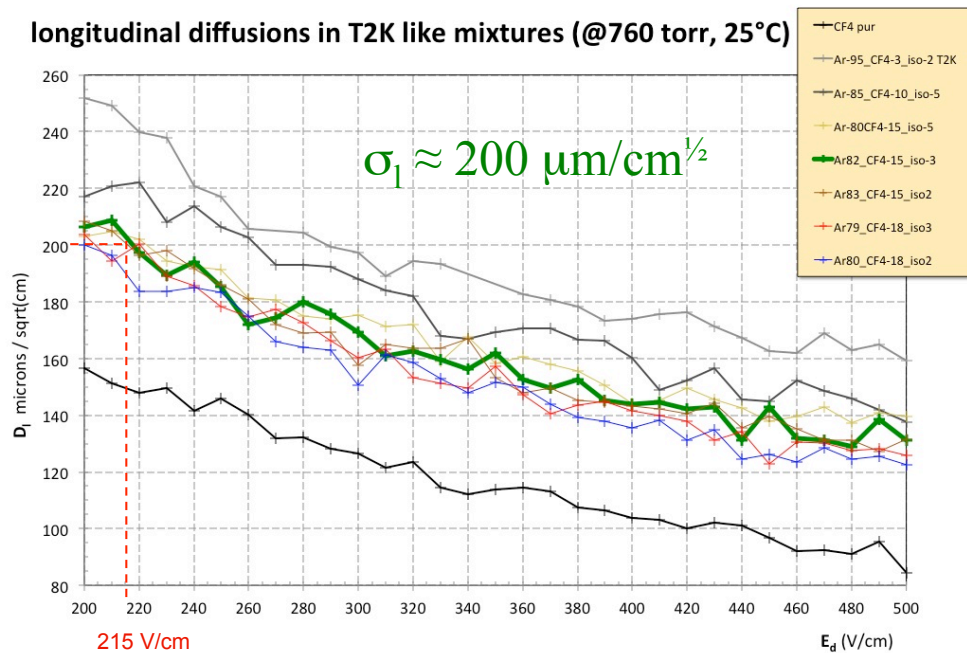
comparatif gain bulk-128 microns (Gain max = 1 spark/6 mn)
for T2K-like gas for MINOS TPC (@ ~1 bar, 20 °C, Edrift: 400v/cm)



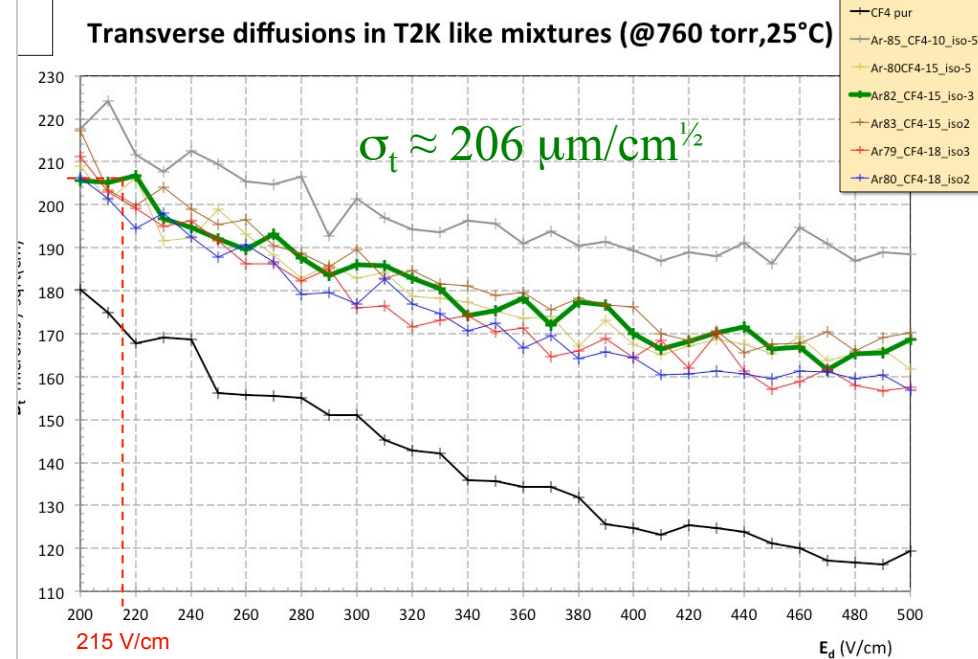
Drift Velocity in T2K like mixtures (@760 torr, 25°C)



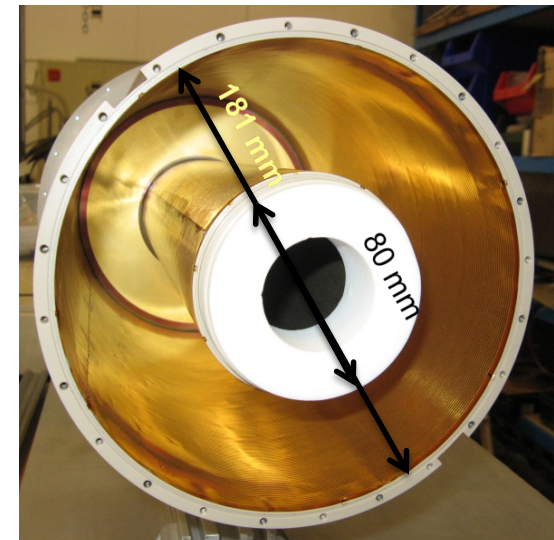
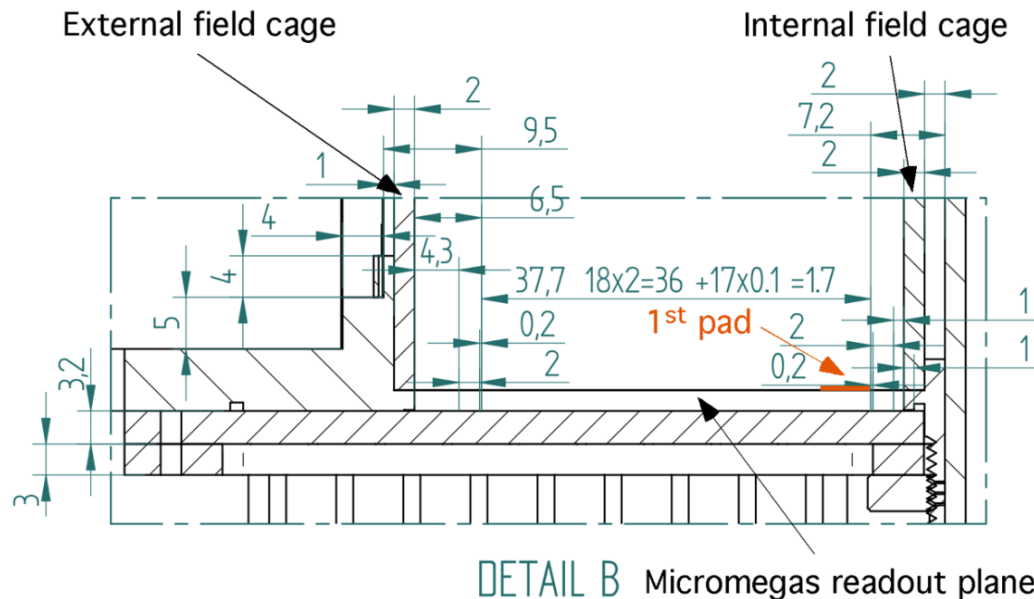
longitudinal diffusions in T2K like mixtures (@760 torr, 25°C)



Transverse diffusions in T2K like mixtures (@760 torr, 25°C)

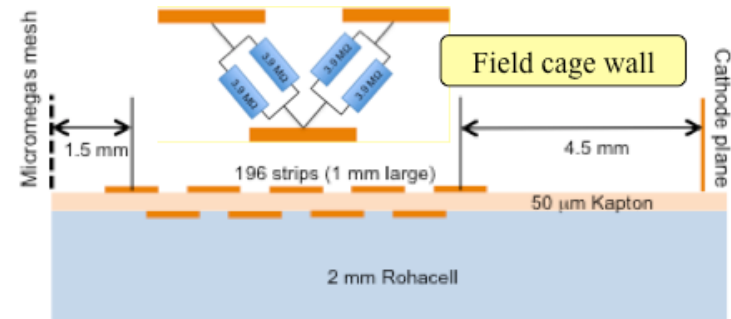
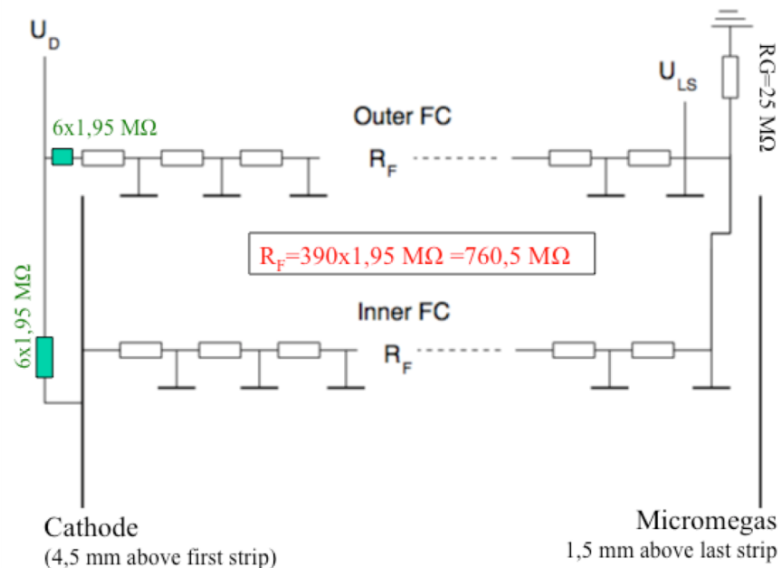


- ✓ A very compact and light structure made of 2 mm thick Rohacell cylinders
- The challenge is to efficiently and accurately measure the proton tracks as soon as they exit the target (the first active pad is 7,2 mm from vacuum pipe)
- ✓ Solder free electrical connections between field cages and endcaps
- ✓ Cathode & micromegas endcaps can easily be dismantled (1 mm O-rings)
- ✓ Gas leaks (<0,05 l/h) are balanced with a 10 l/h gas flow to maintain H₂O & O₂ contaminations below measured 700 ppm & 40 ppm respectively
- ✓ 2 gas mixtures : baseline Ar+3%iC₄H₁₀+15%CF₄ & backup Ar+3%iC₄H₁₀



THE TPC FIELD CAGE

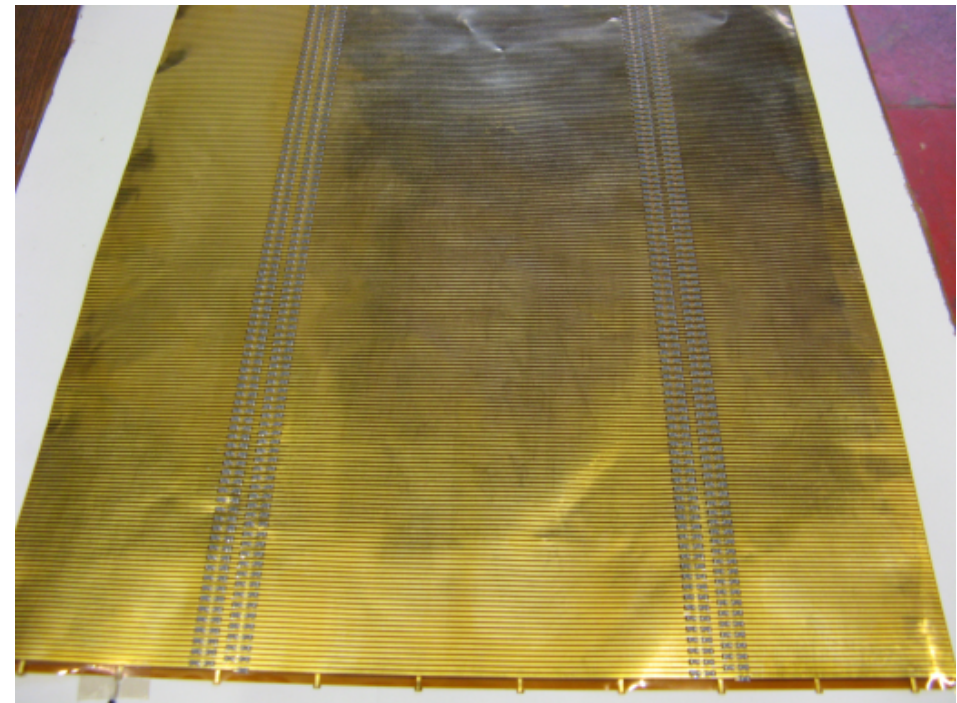
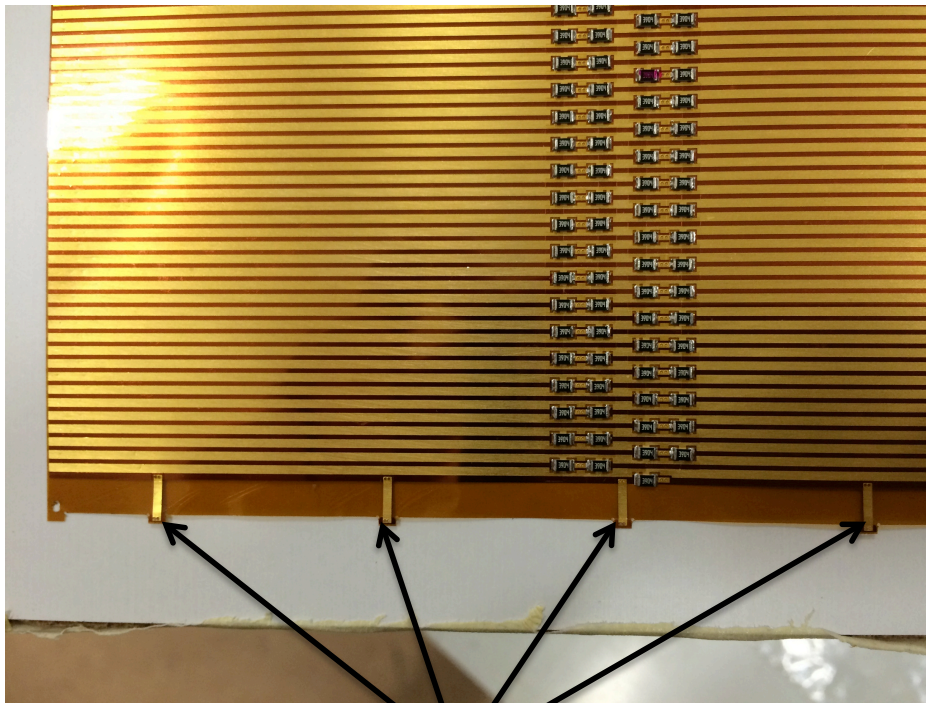
- ✓ The design is greatly inspired by the PANDA TPC electric field cage
- ✓ The drift field is defined by 196 + 195 strips, 1 mm large, printed with a 1,5 mm pitch on both side of a 50 μm thick gas tight kapton foil (made by CERN/TE-MPE-EM) glued on the internal & external Rohacell cylinders
- ✓ 2 x 3,9 MΩ (+/-1%) SMD805 resistors are soldered between 2 strip
- ✓ The 195 resistors between 2 adjacent strips are measured : a typical measure is 3889,8 kΩ mean value with 0,25% peak-peak dispersion
- ✓ a HV power supply is used to precisely define the last strip voltage



E (V/cm)	Gas	$V_{\text{drit}} \text{ (cm/}\mu\text{s)}$	$D_t \text{ (}\mu\text{m/sqrt(cm))}$	$D_l \text{ (}\mu\text{m/sqrt(cm))}$	$U_D \text{ (V)}$	$\Delta V_{\text{strip}} \text{ (V)}$
140	Ar+3%iso	3.67	600	348	4200	10.5
215	Ar+3%iso+15%CF4	5.8	206	200	6450	16.125

External cage Kapton foil (R=90 mm)
302x561 mm²

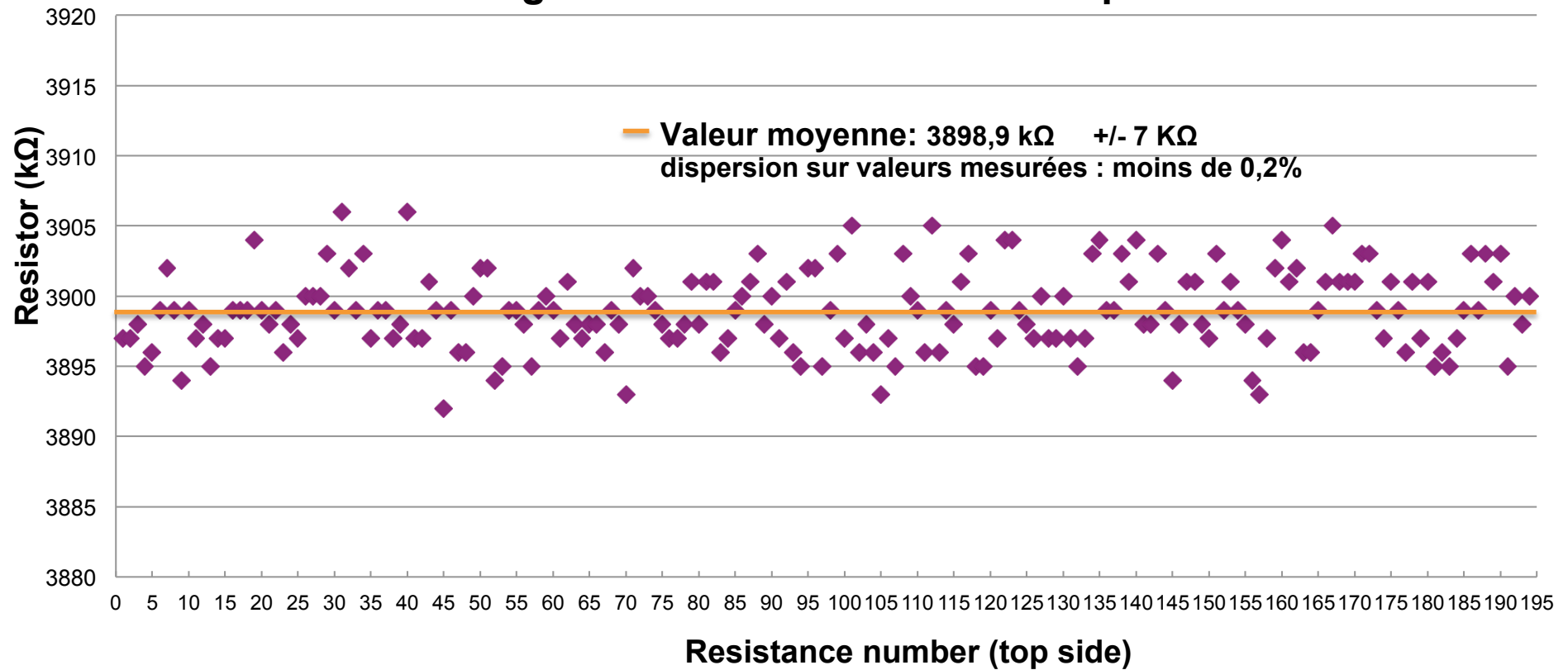
Internal cage Kapton foil (R=40 mm)
302x264 mm²

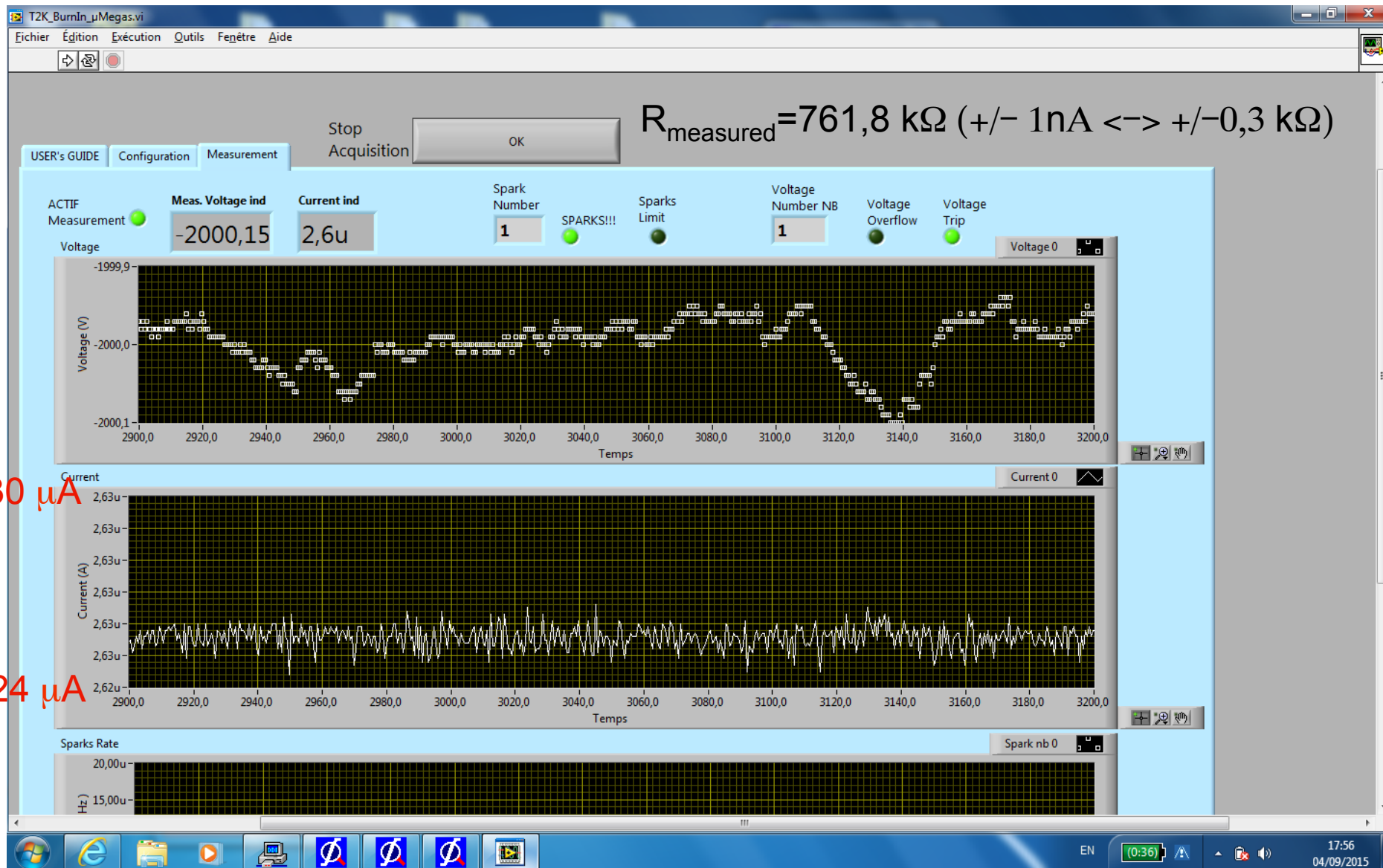


Solder-free pads for connection to cathode plane
Same pads on the Micromegas plane side

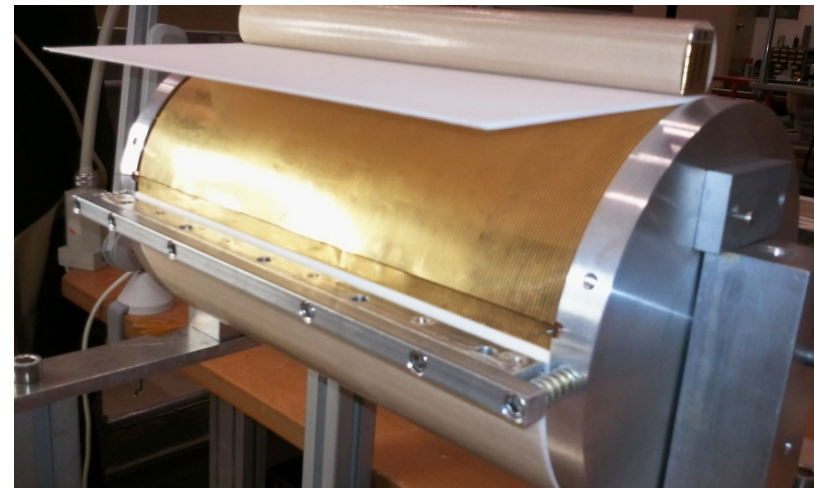
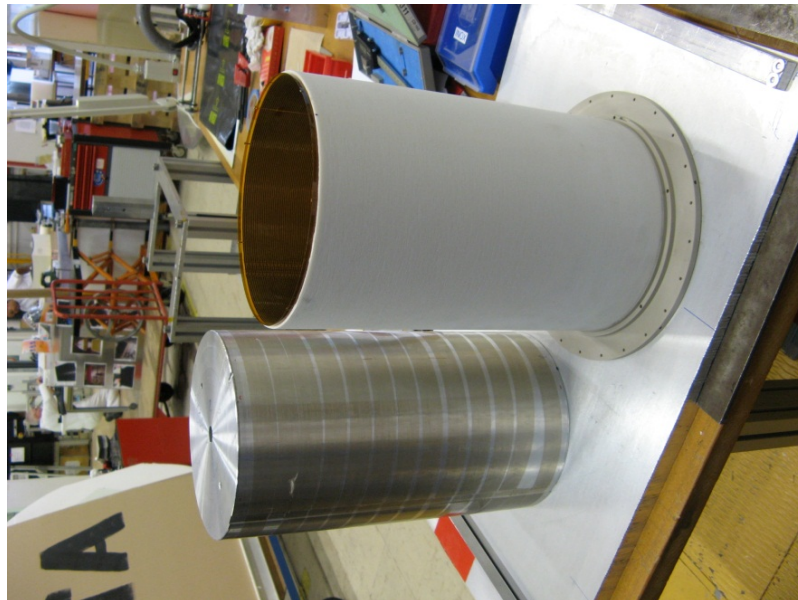
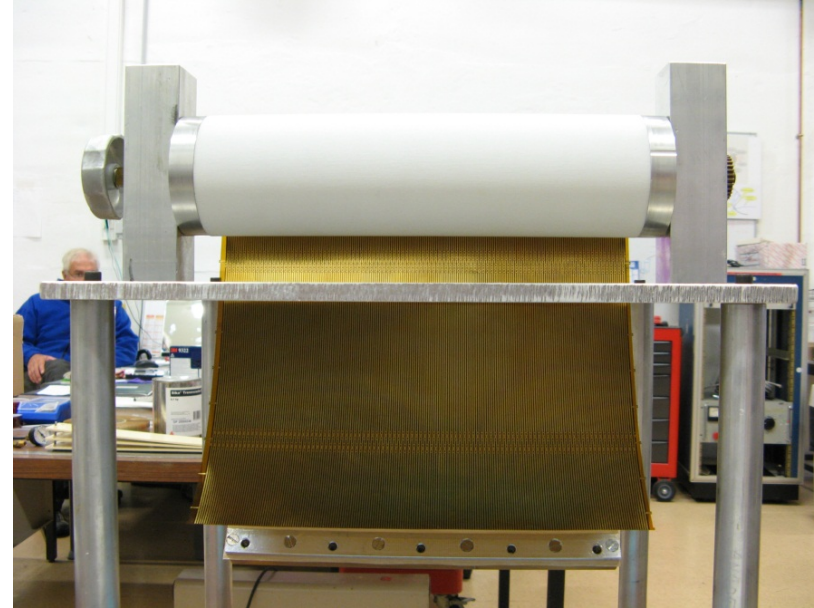
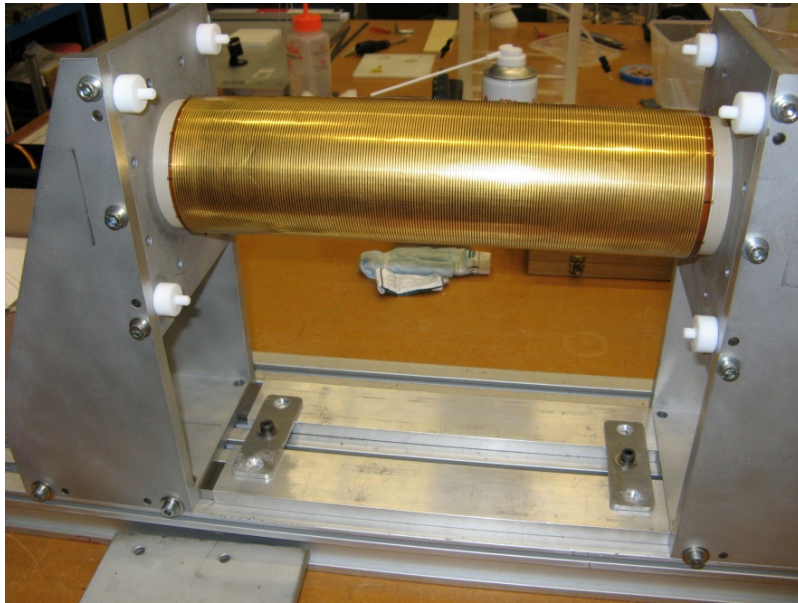
$R_{\text{total}} = 760,29 \text{ k}\Omega$ (theoretical $760,50 \text{ k}\Omega$)

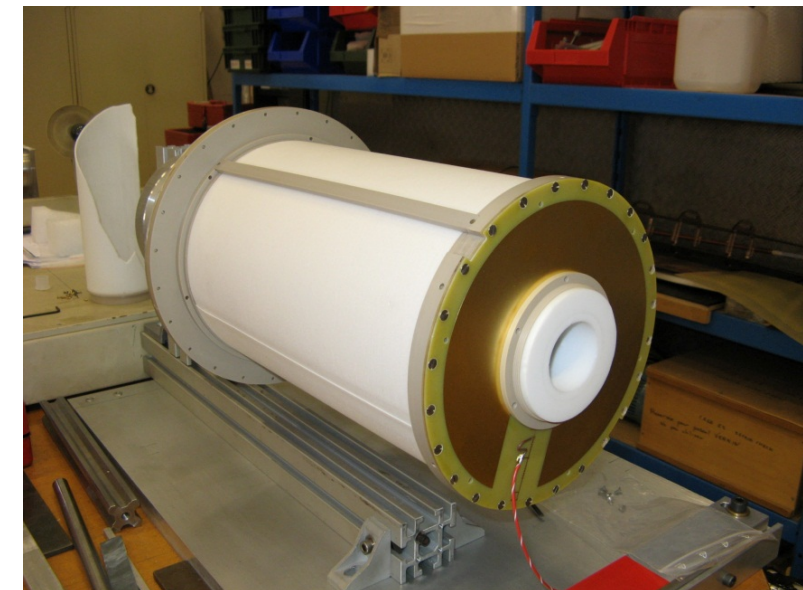
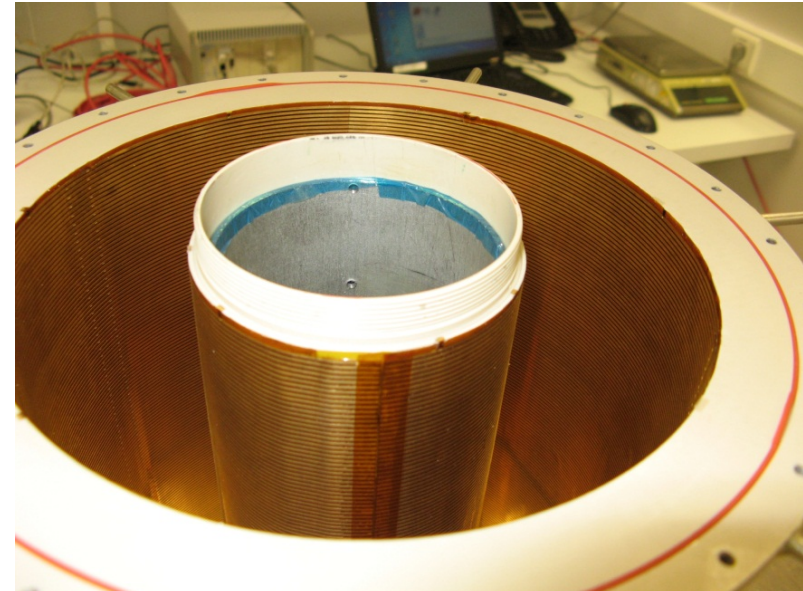
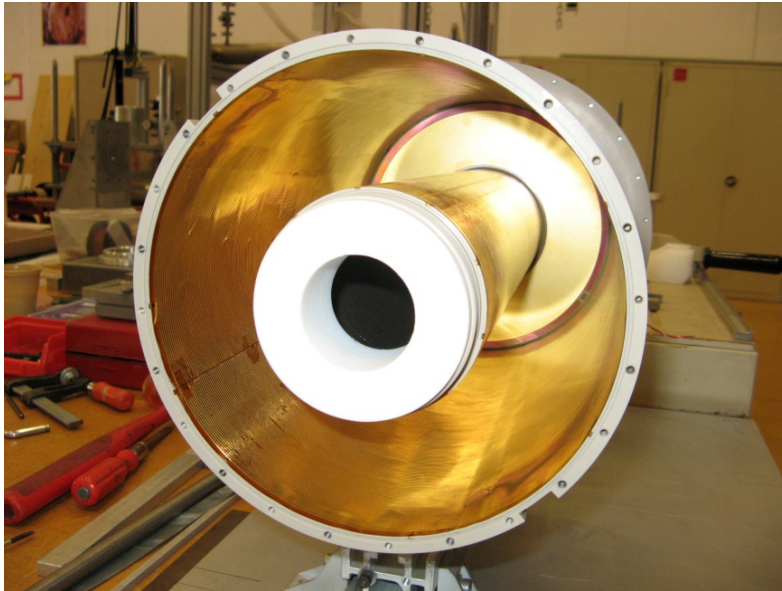
mesures des résistances $3,9\text{M}\Omega$ sur dégradeur interne n°5 mesuré à plat



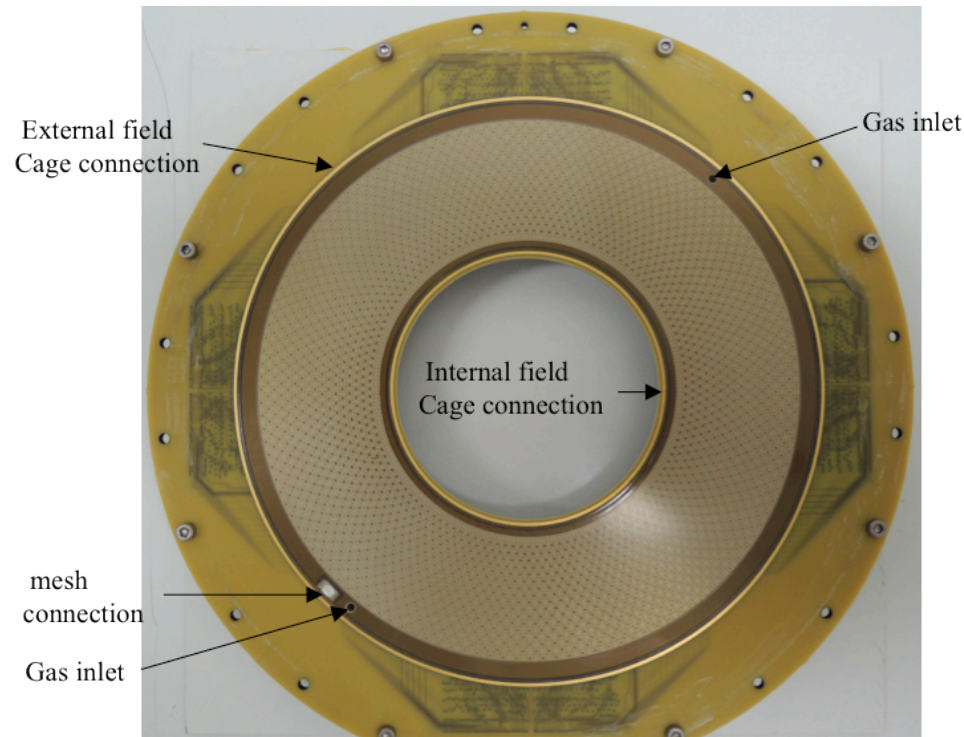


THE TPC WALLS ASSEMBLY

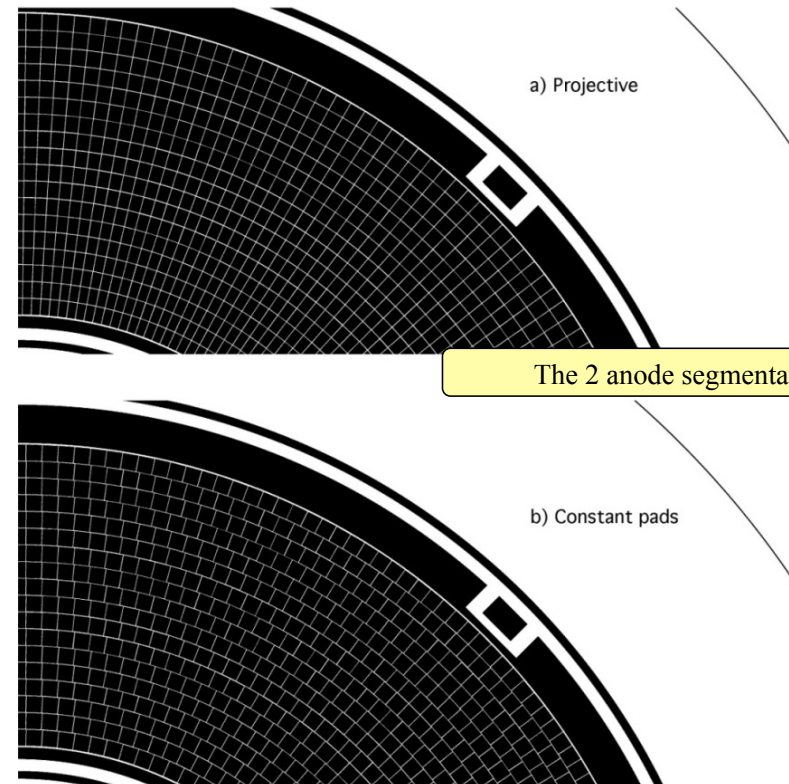


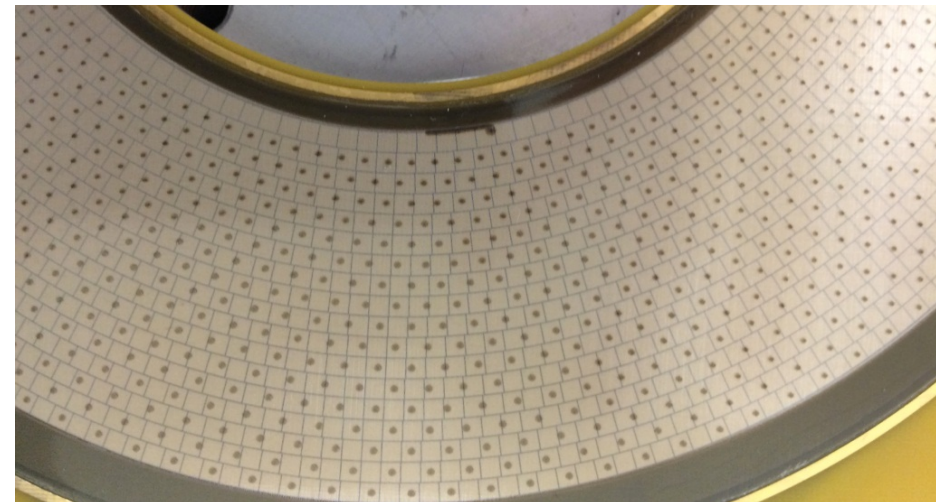
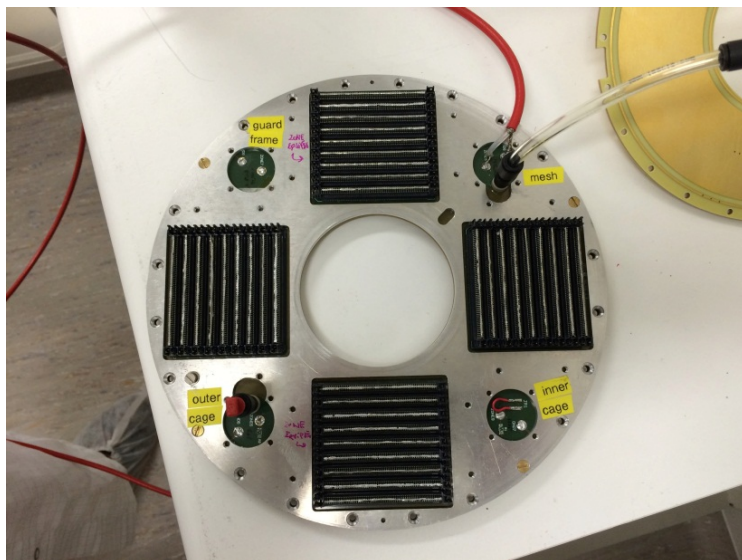
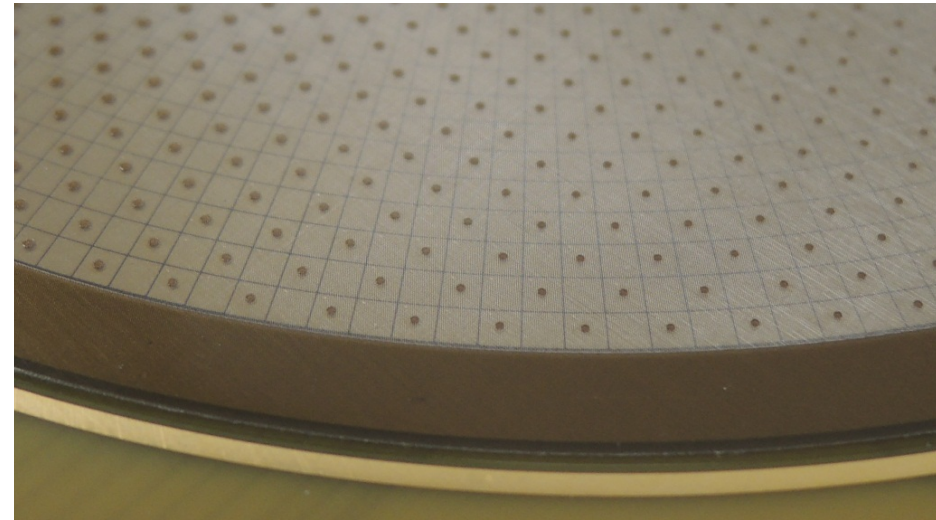
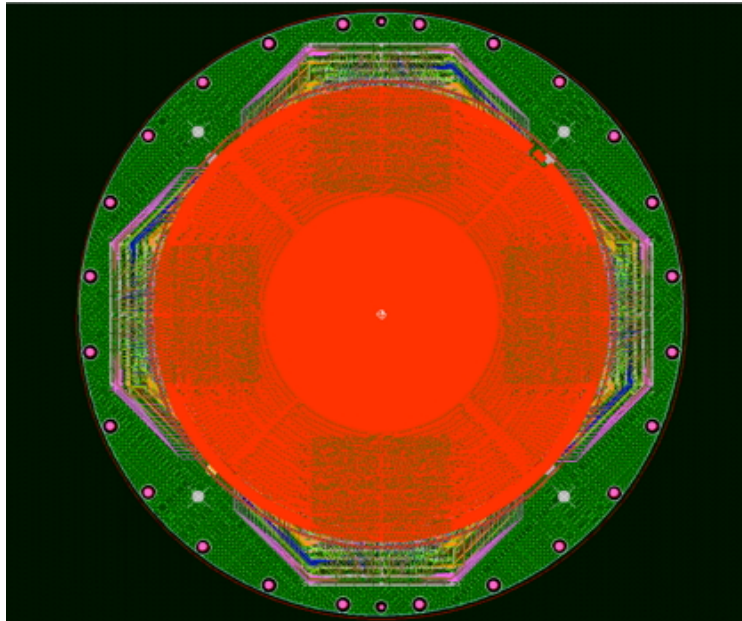


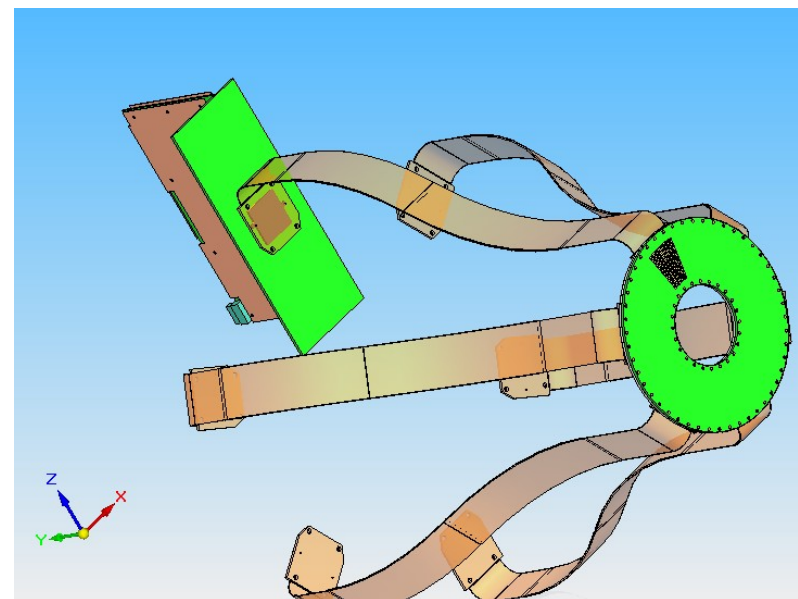
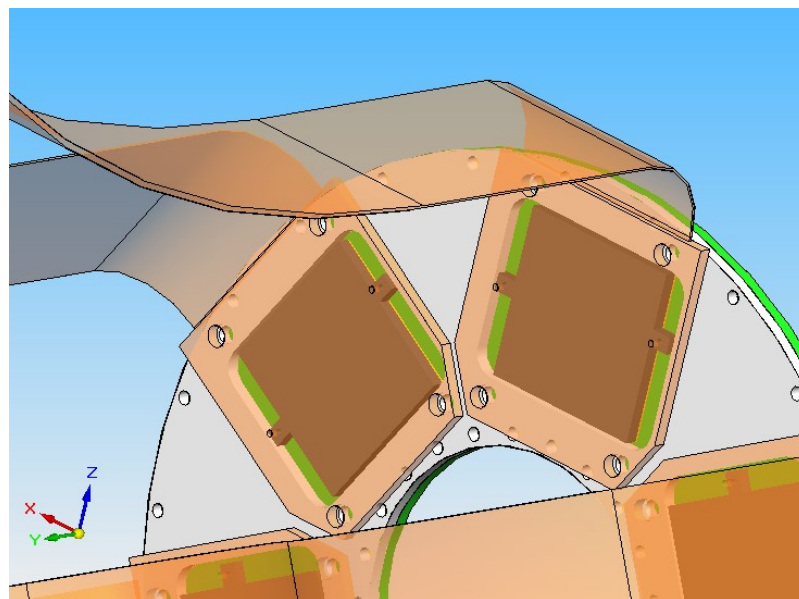
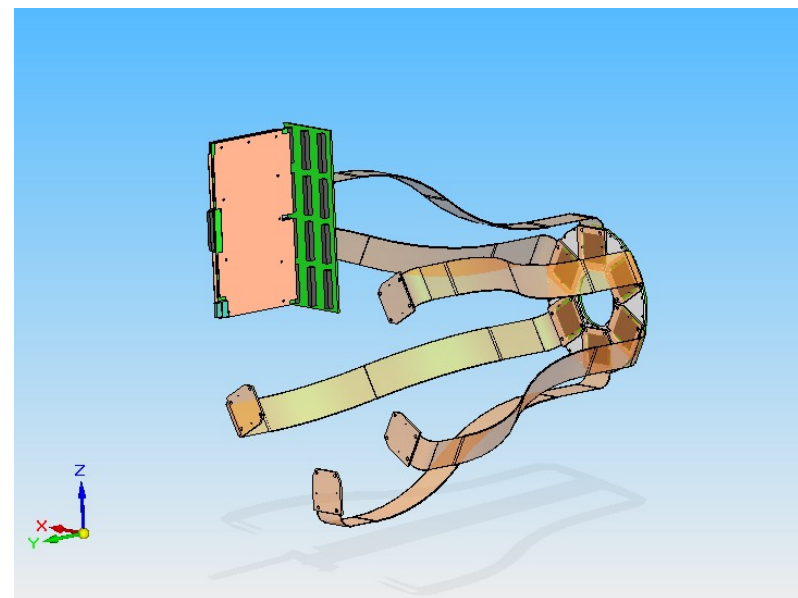
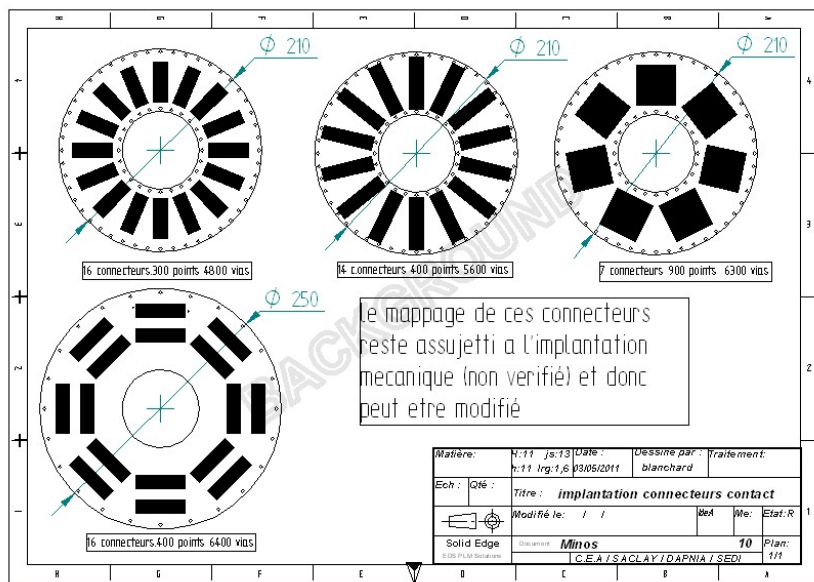
- ✓ 128 μm gap bulk-micromegas, a pillar every 2 pads (made @ Irfu)
- ✓ 2 anode plane segmentations in 18 rings of 2 x 1-2 mm² pads
 - ✓ « projective » : 4608 pads, 256 per ring
 - ✓ « Constant pad » : 3604 x 4 mm² pads,
- ✓ 12 layers PCB with more than 18000 blind vias (ELTOS, Italy)



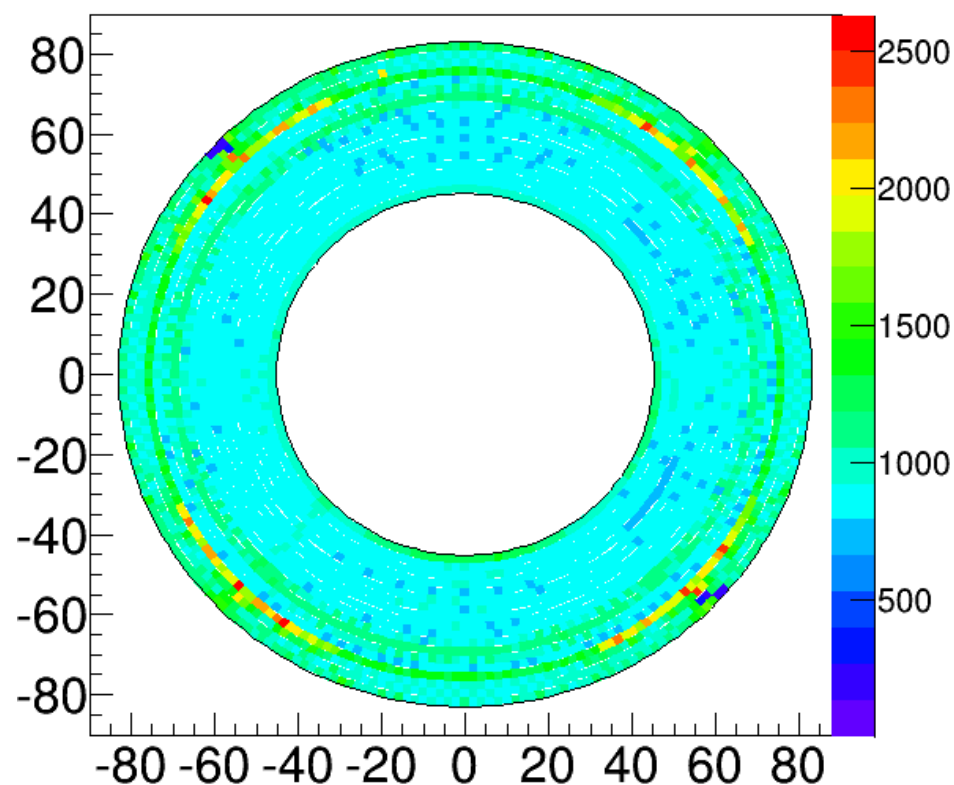
Bulk-micromegas with “Projective” anode





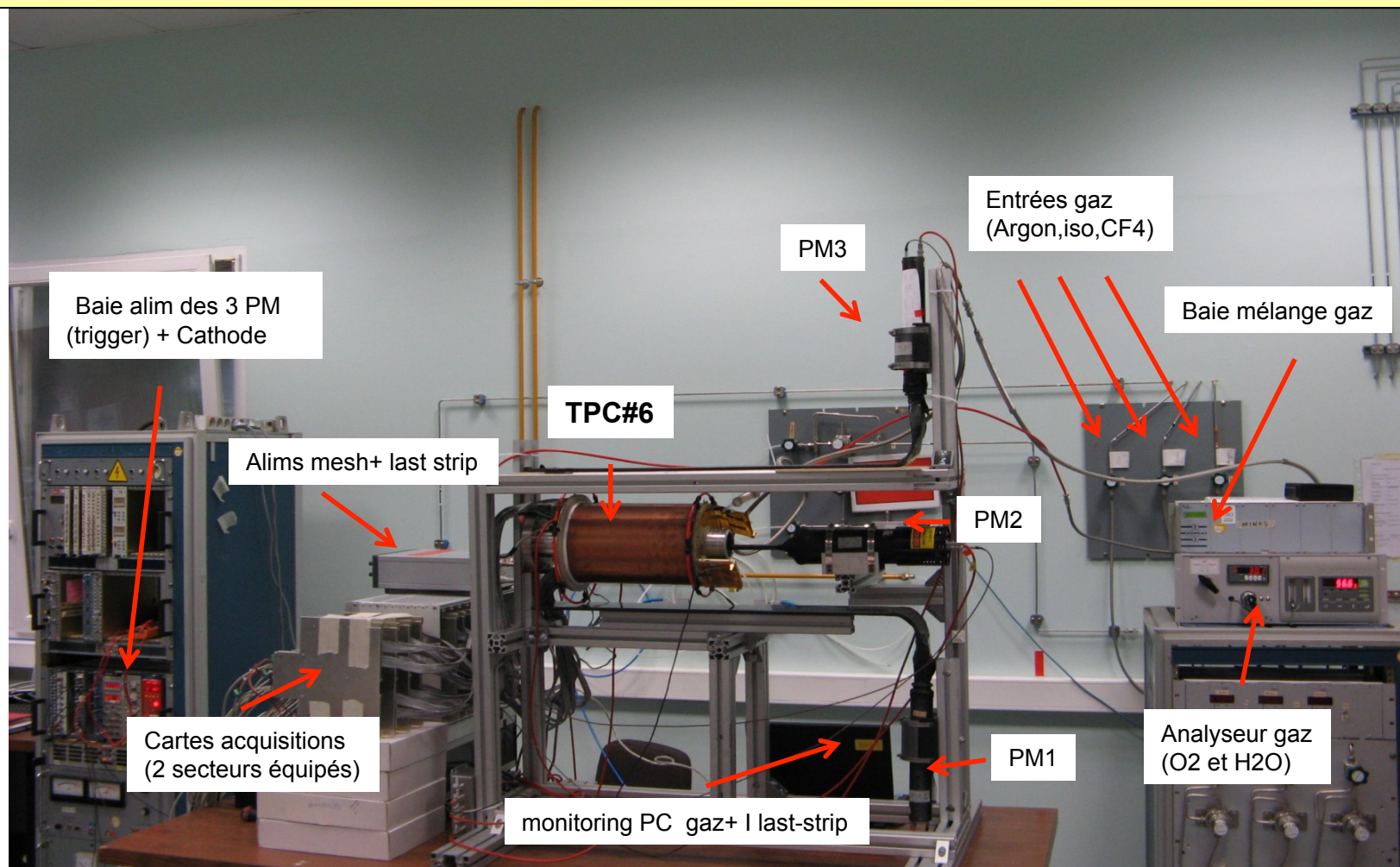


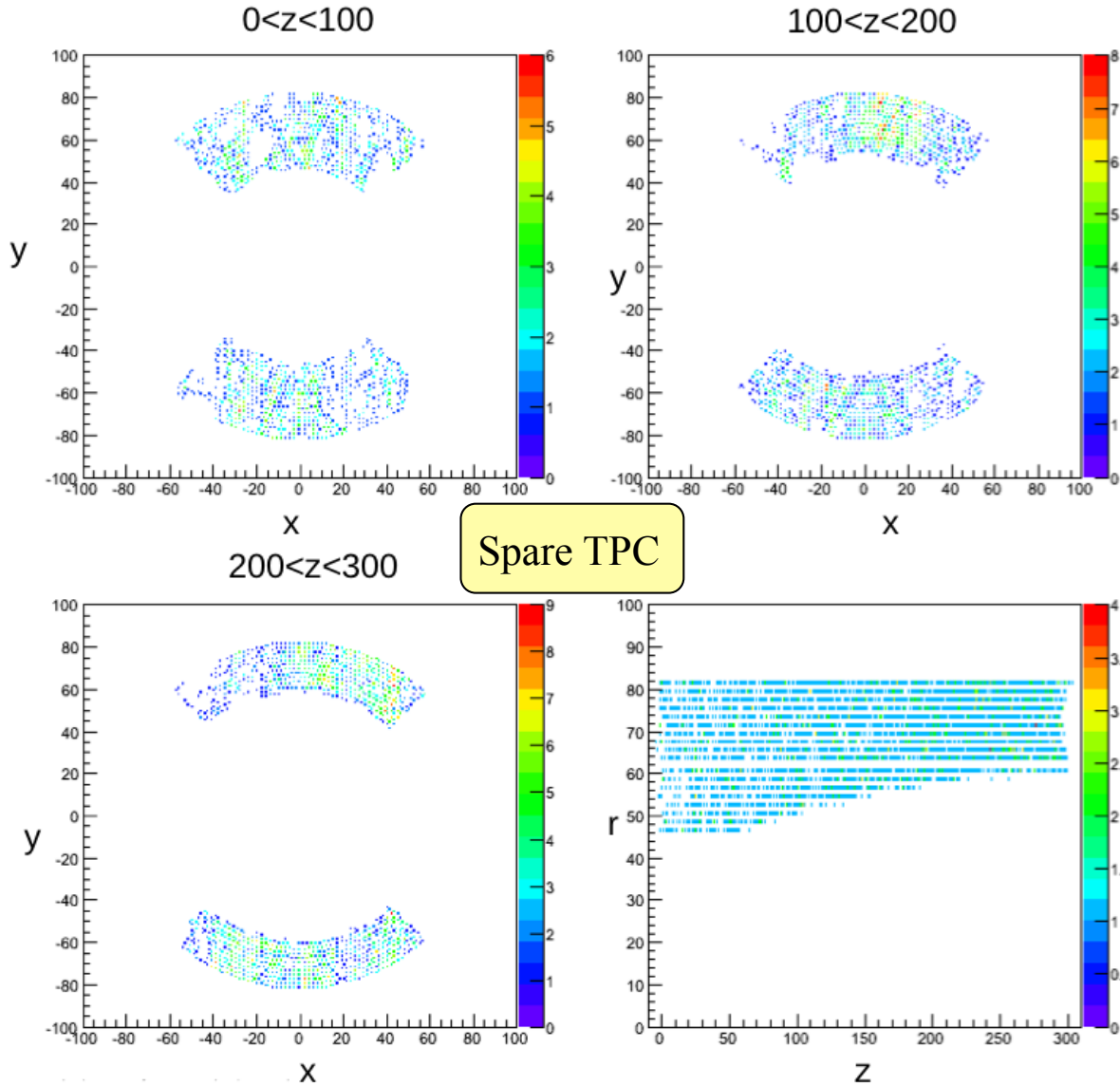
“constant pad” response to a 300 mV pulse on the micromegas mesh



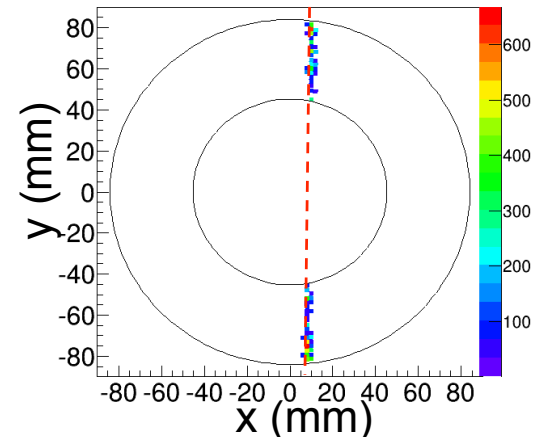
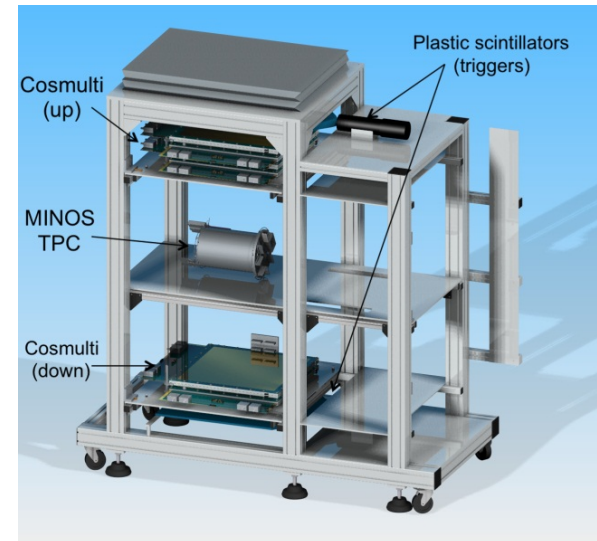
« hot » pads should be due to higher pad capacitance (PCB layout, to be confirmed)
Track reconstruction for Vertex localisation is not affected

This cosmic test bench is used to fully operate the TPC and easily detect a “global” defect of the TPC such as electric field non-uniformities.



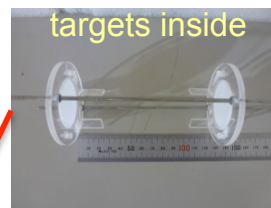
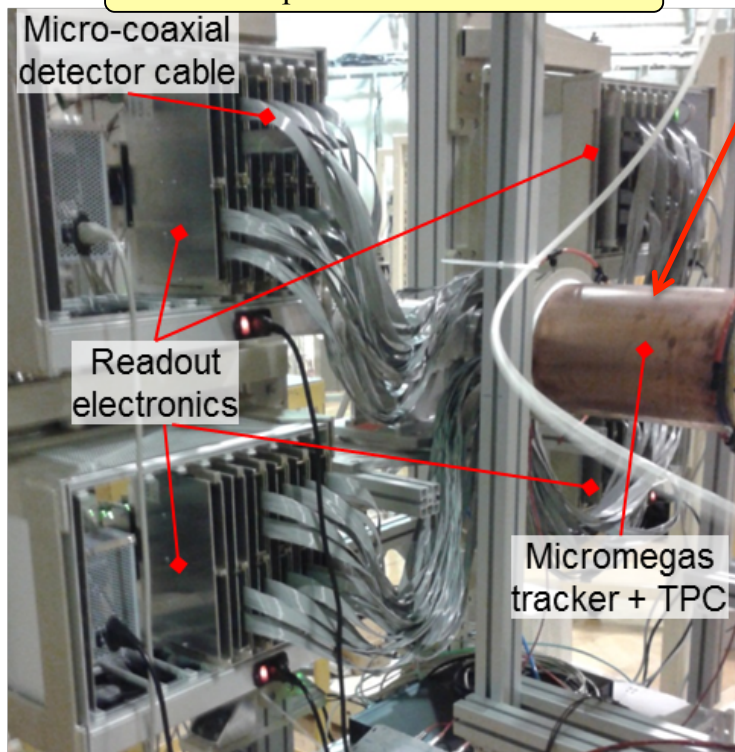


Future use of a high-resolution micromegas based cosmic test bench to localise electric field non-uniformities.

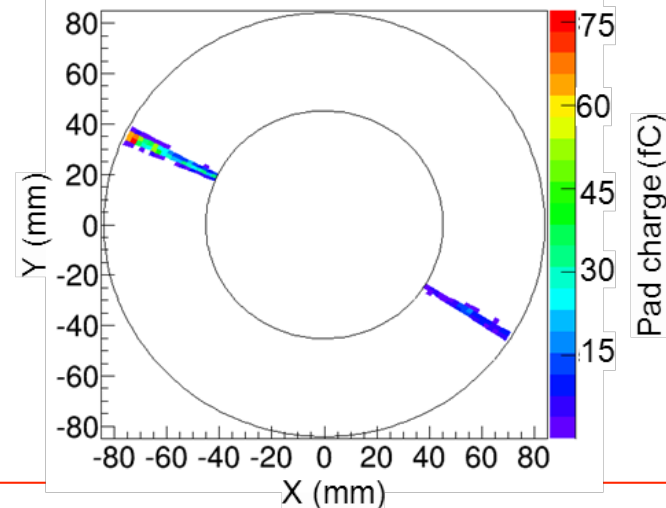


- ✓ One week Data taking in october 2013
- ✓ ^{20}Ne 180 and 350 Mev/nucleon beam
- ✓ 2 x MWDCs, 300 μm resolution, for beam tracking
- ✓ Two 0,5 mm thick CH_2 or C targets were placed 124 mm apart in place of the LH_2 target
- ✓ Use of **20 x T2K-AFTER FEC cards**
- ✓ The 2 gas mixtures & anode geometries were tested

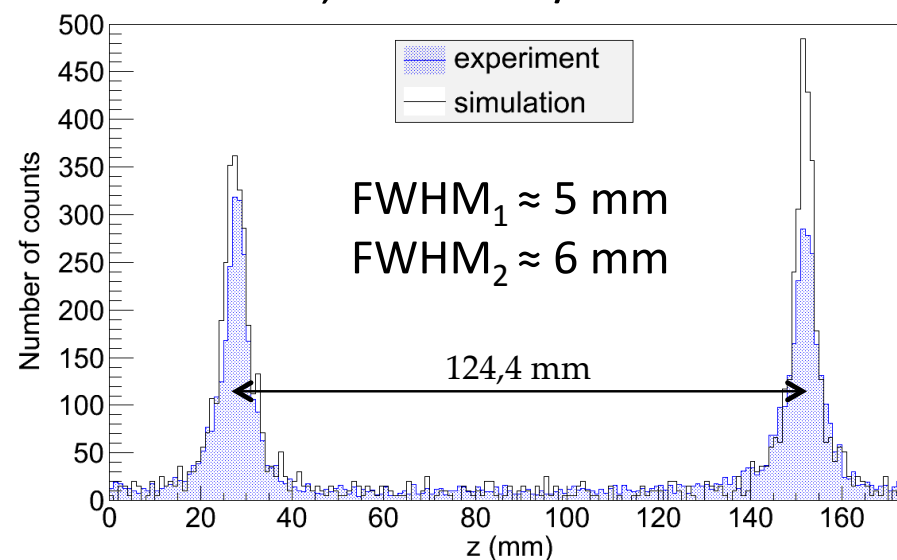
Test setup on HIMAC beam line

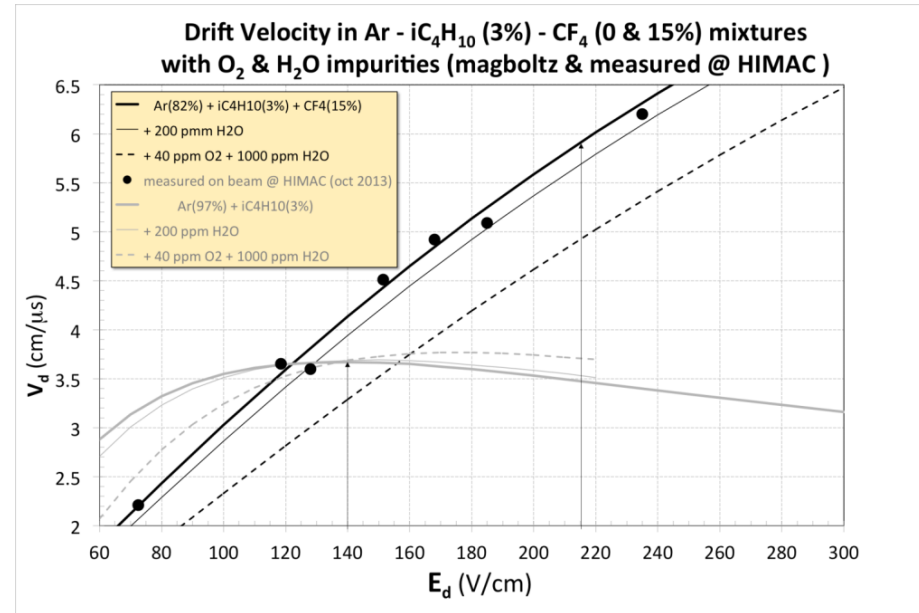
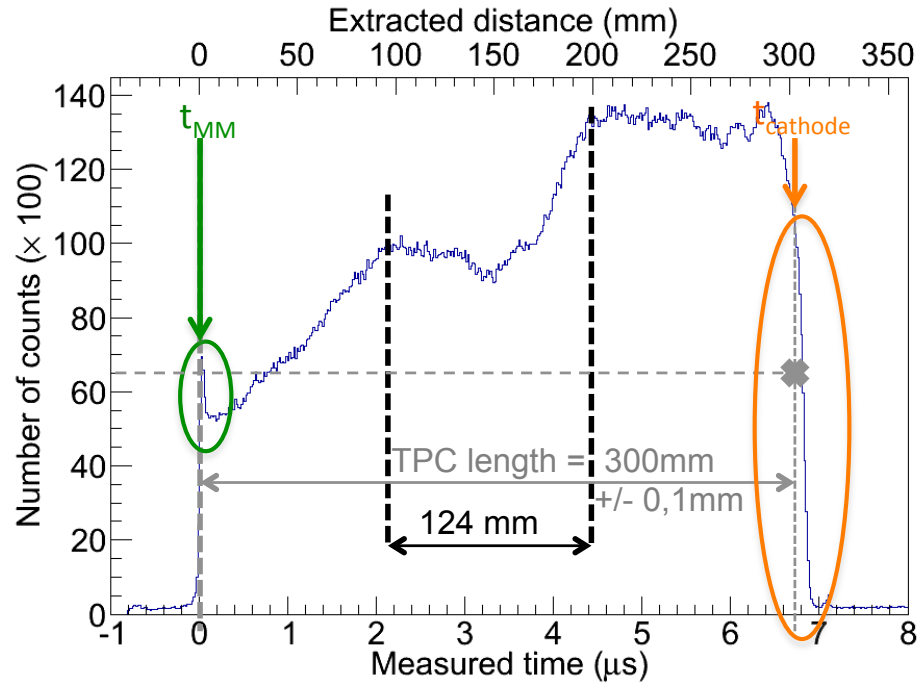


A typical (p,2p) event in the TPC

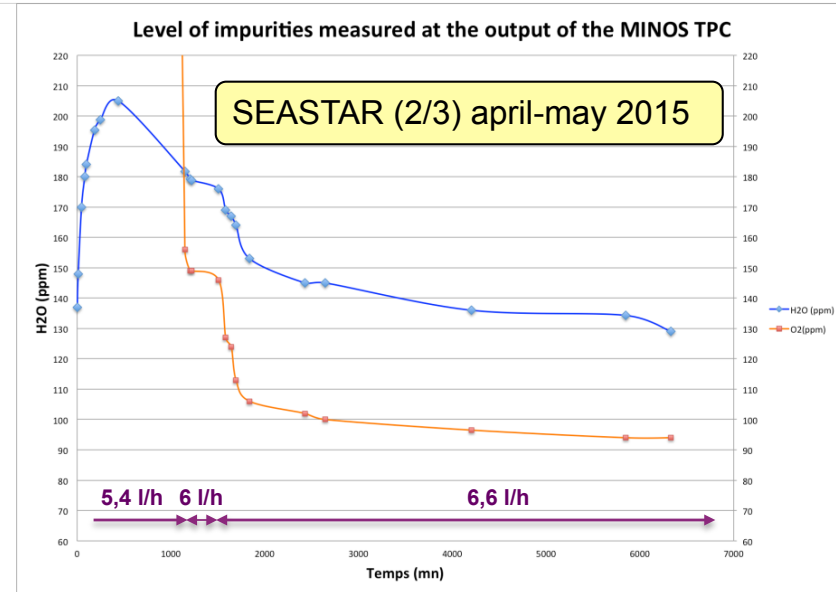


Ne beam, 350 MeV/nucleon





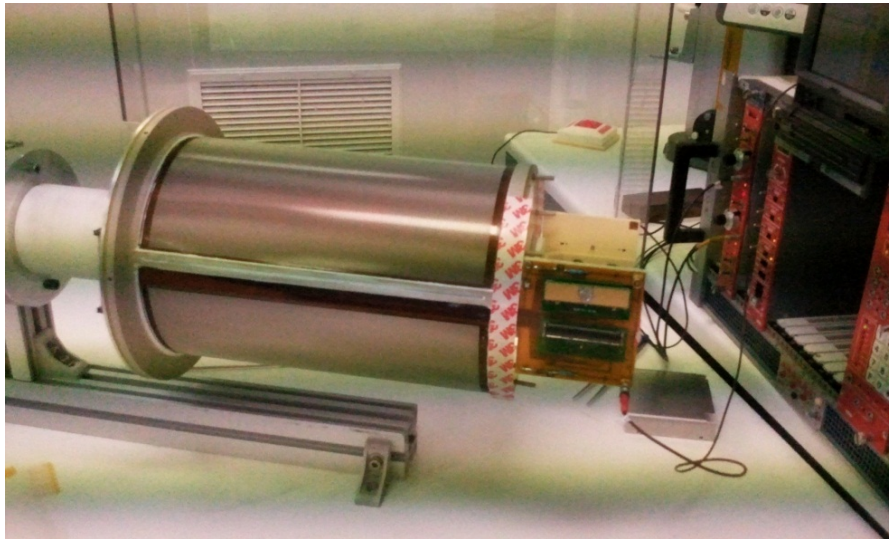
This method is used for each run. It is sufficient for the MINOS current required performances. Magboltz simulations, taking into account the O_2 and H_2O measured gas contents are not always consistent with the measurement (30% vs few %). This is under investigations : proper use and accuracy of the impurity measurement, oxysorb filter impact on gas content, ... ?



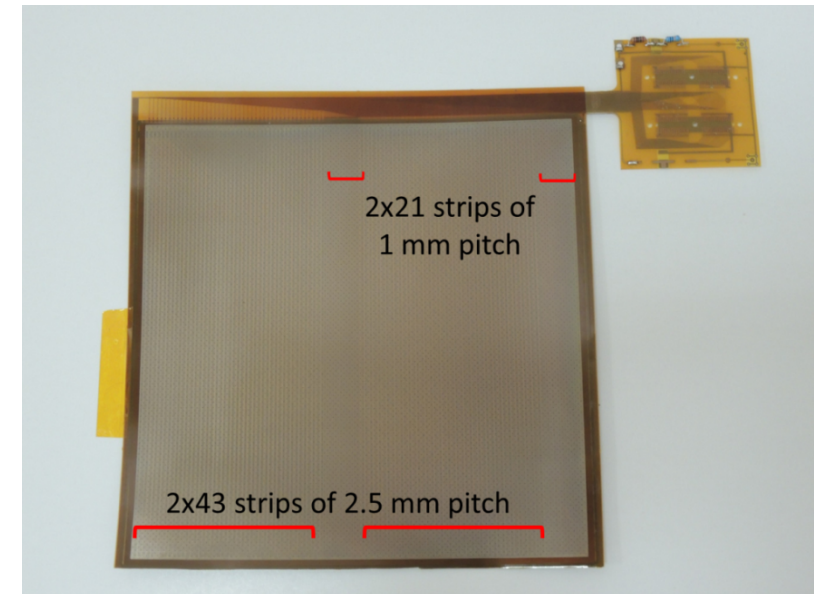
Drift velocity TPC-independent measurement can be done by use of an external cylindrical tracker with 128 C-shape strips.

The outer side of the cathode is grounded to close the TPC Faraday cage.

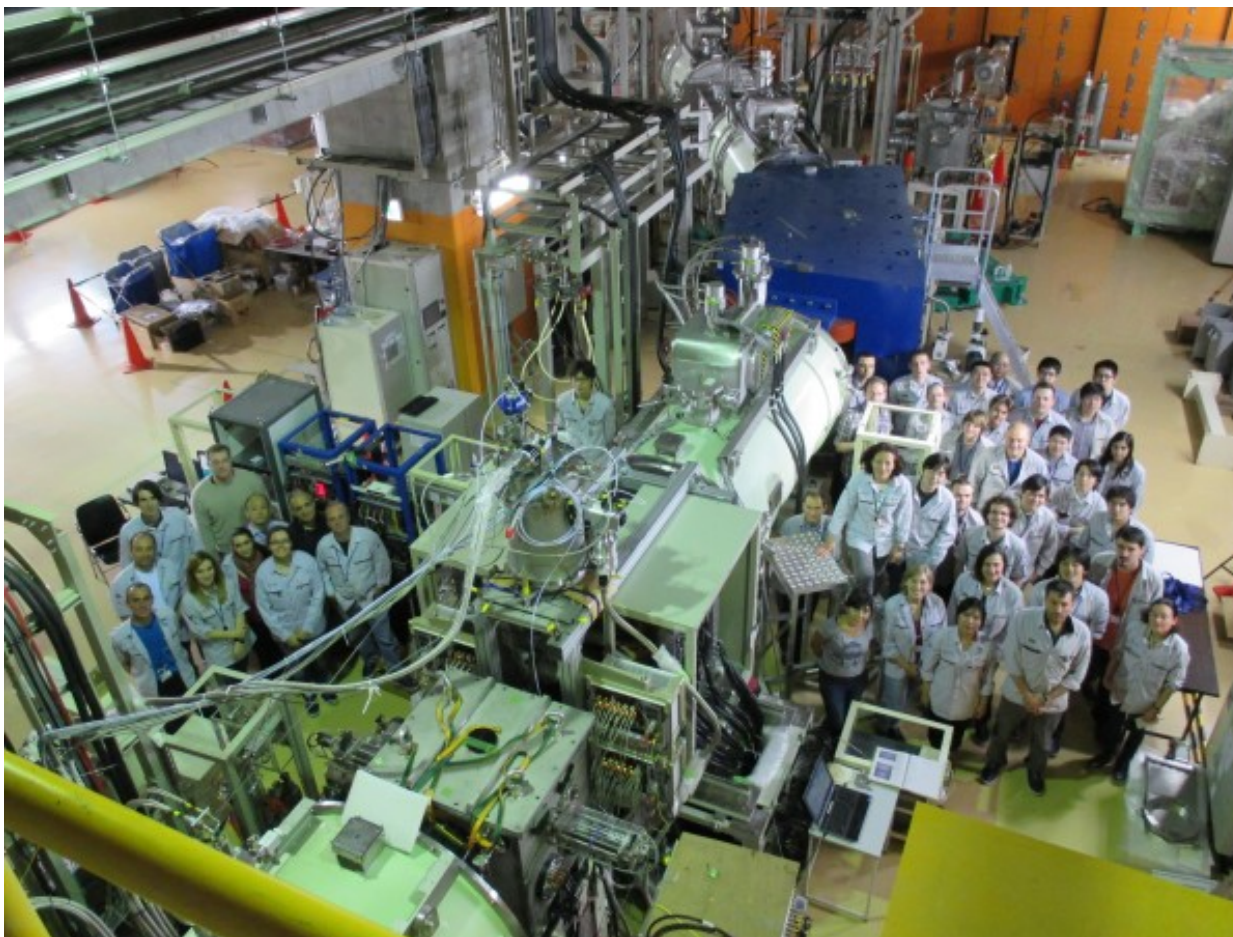
Tests and validation are on-going.



Bulk-micromegas (before curving)



- ✓ Made of **2 half cylinders** of 128 μm gap bulk-micromegas + 4 mm drift space
- ✓ 200 μm thick anode PCB with 128 C-shape strips (CLAS12 tracker design)
- ✓ Cathode made of 200 μm thick Kapton covered with 5 μm copper on both sides
- ✓ Anode PCB + bulk-micromegas + cathode made by CERN/TE-MPE-EM

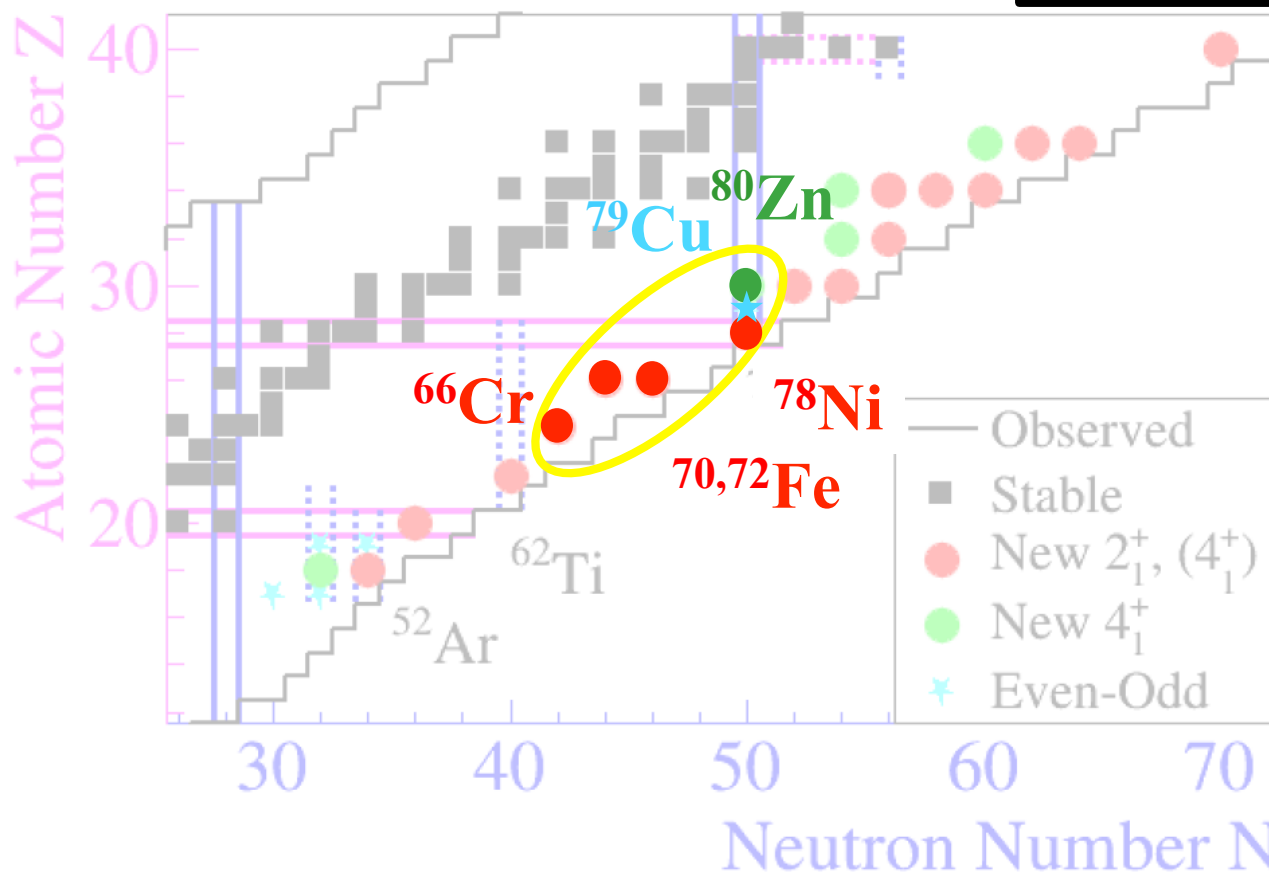
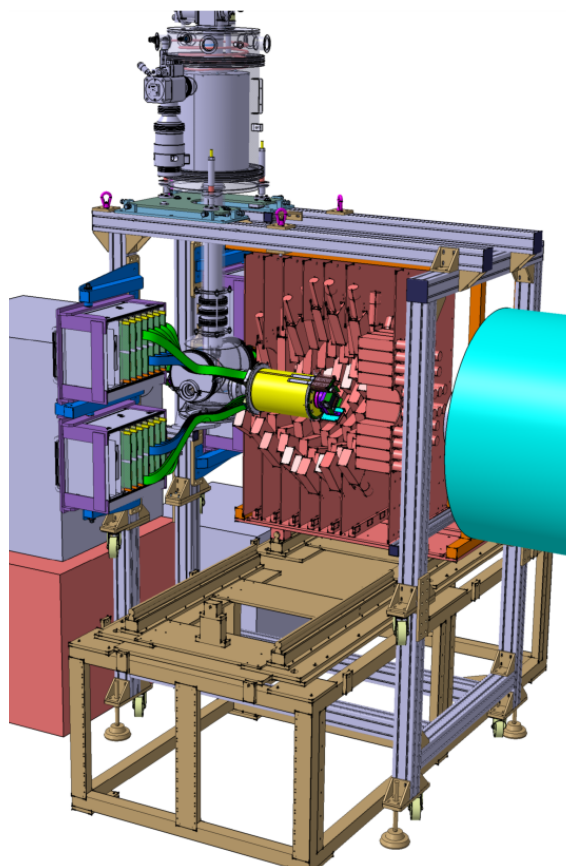


Première campagne SEASTAR (avril-mai 2014): plus de 40 collaborateurs
(Japon, France (CEA, IPHC, IPNO), Allemagne, Vietnam, Norvège, Hong-Kong, Hongrie)
SEASTAR: plus de 100 collaborateurs

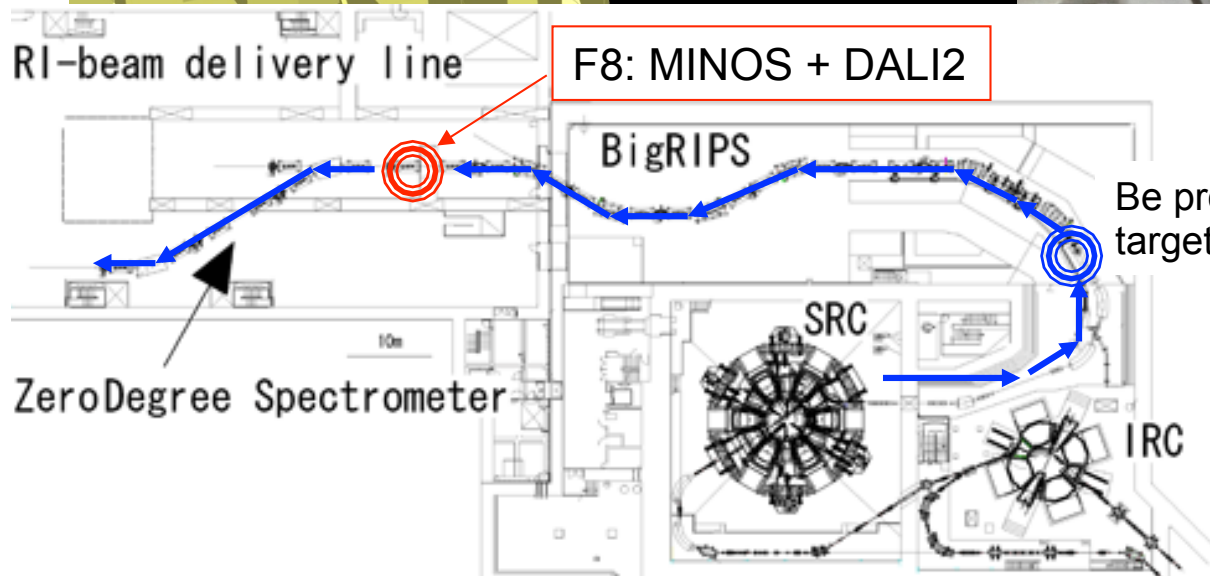
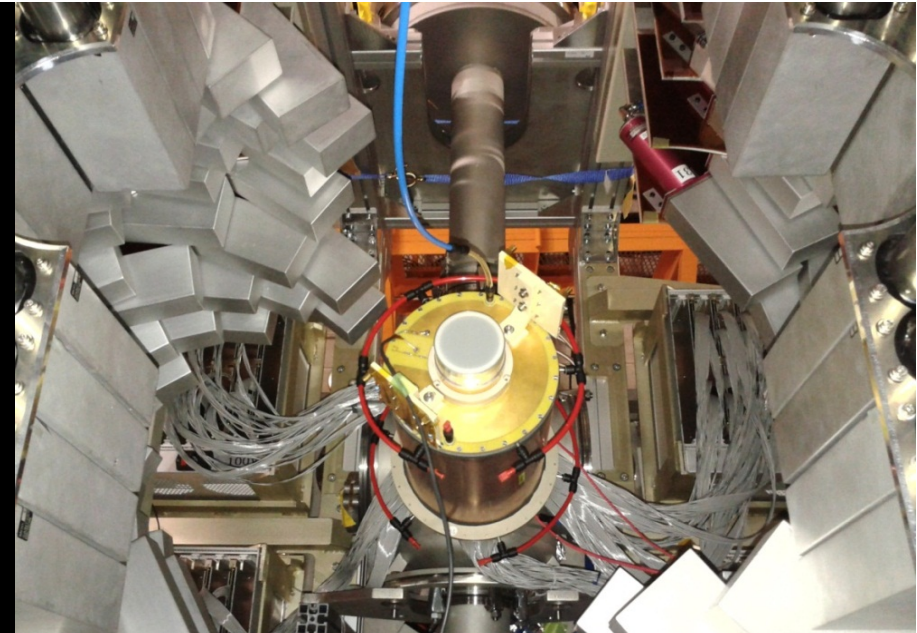
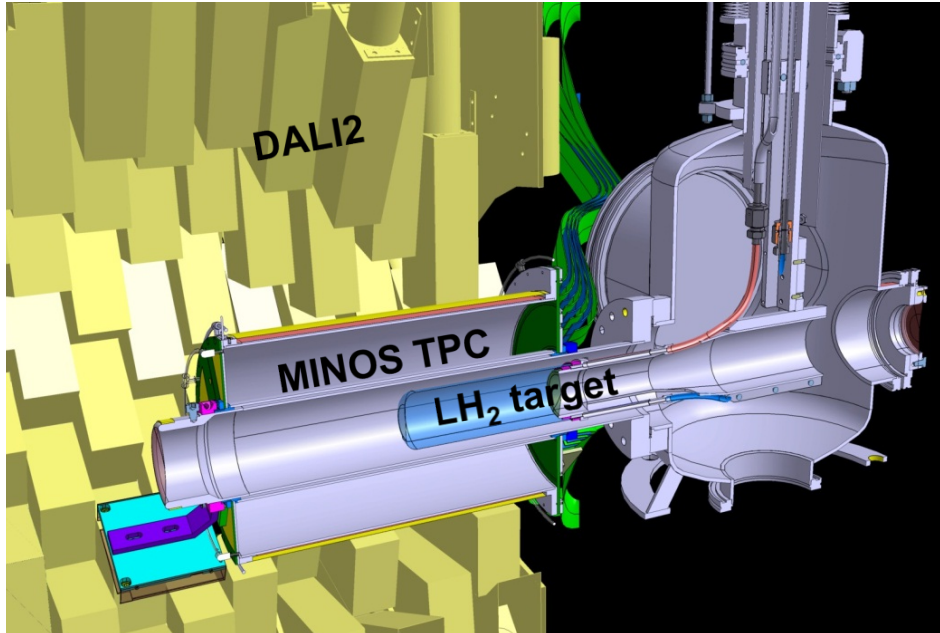
SEASTAR: Shell Evolution And Search for Two-plus states At the RIBF

16 new 2^+ states & 5 new 4^+ states

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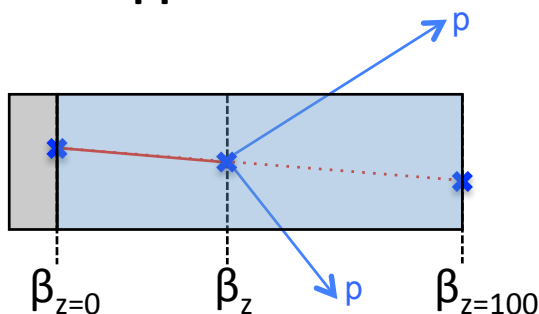
Spokespersons: P. Doornenbal (RIKEN), A. Obertelli (CEA)



^{238}U at 345 MeV/nucleon (13 pA)
 F8 energy \approx 250 MeV/nucleon
 Total intensity on target \approx 5000 pps
 LH₂ target length = 102(1) mm

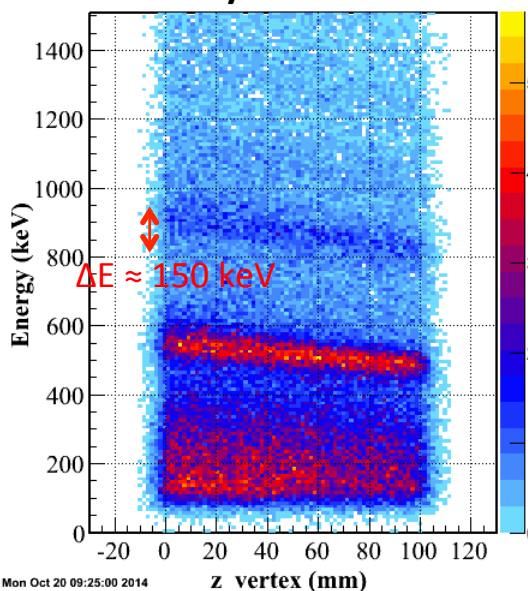
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Doppler correction

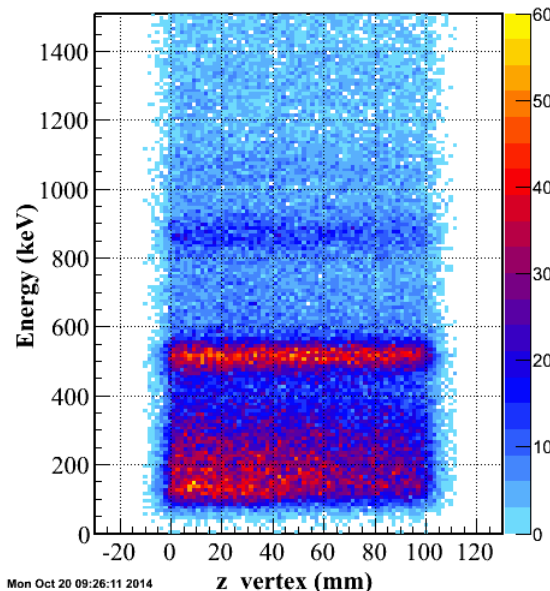


$$\beta_z = \beta_{z=0} - z_{\text{vertex}} \times (\beta_{z=0} - \beta_{z=100}) / L_{\text{LH2}}$$

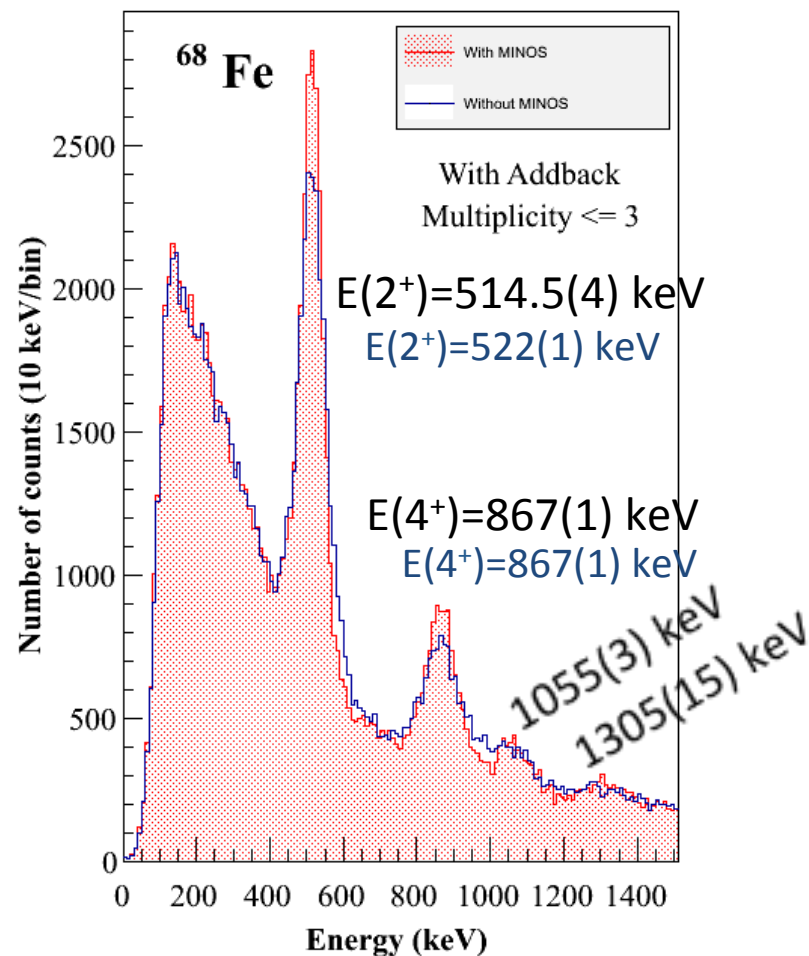
(vertex at middle of target)
w/o MINOS



vertex reconstructed
With MINOS



Cr settings : $^{69}\text{Co} (p,2p) ^{68}\text{Fe}$

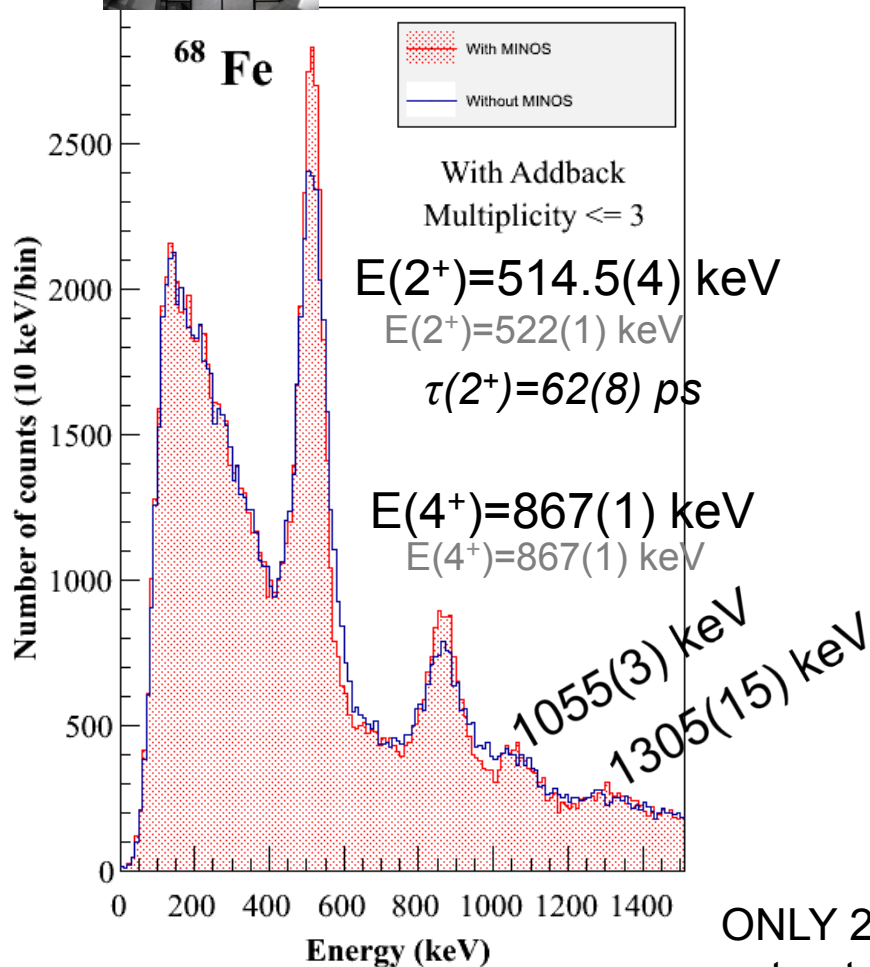


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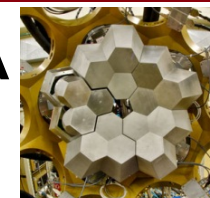


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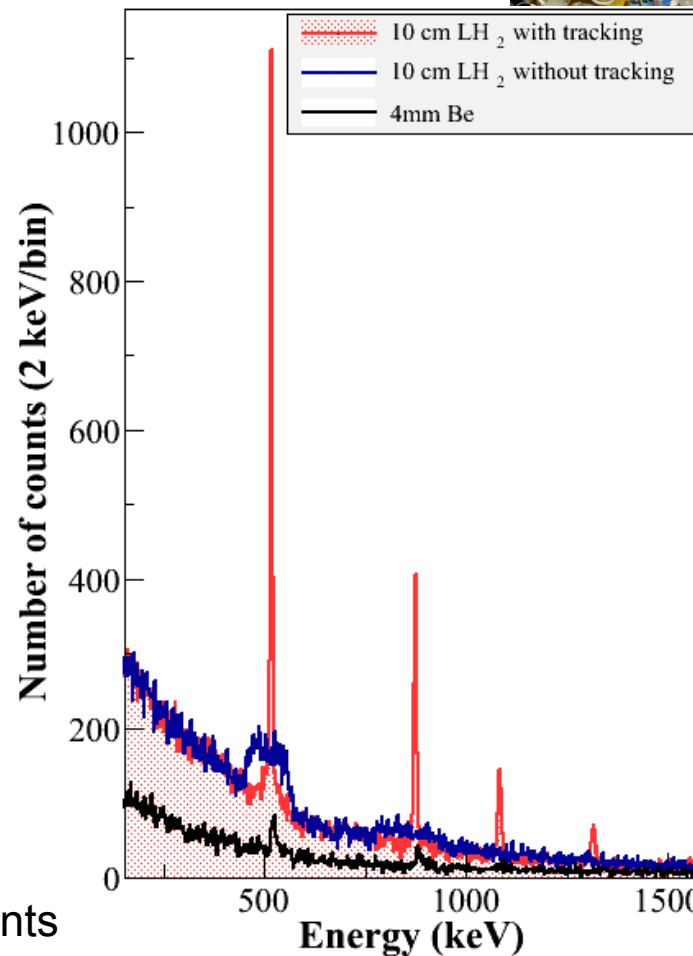


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AGATA

Simulation at 300 MeV/u
With 5T+5D AGATA clusters

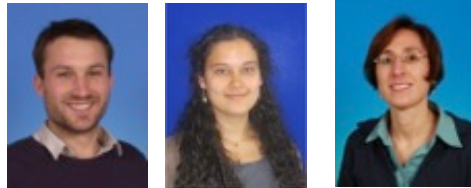


- The MINOS instrument was designed, constructed and validated in 3 years and it is fully operational in physics experiments since april 2014. It was used in three 10 days campaigns. 2 experiments per year at the RIKEN/RIBF ion beam facility are scheduled for the 2015-2018 period.

- Developments are still needed beyond the ERC program :
 - ✓ To add a cylindrical micromegas tracker on the outer shell for drift velocity calibration.
 - ✓ To understand the non-uniformity of the spare TPC to build a new one
 - ✓ To add two upstream and downstream DSSDs for ion beam precise localisation (SEASTAR experiments)

- To fully exploit the MINOS sensitivity, a new generation gamma detector is required, such as AGATA (for experiments at RIKEN or FAIR).

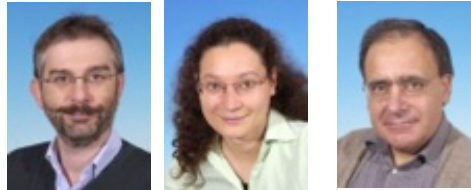
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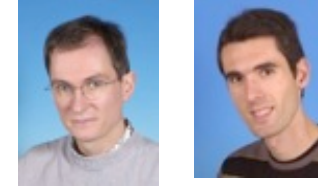
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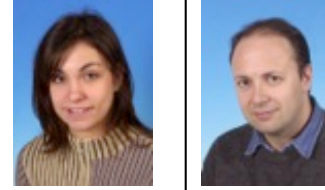
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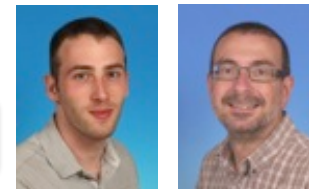
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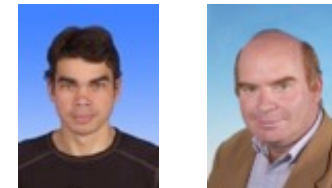
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