

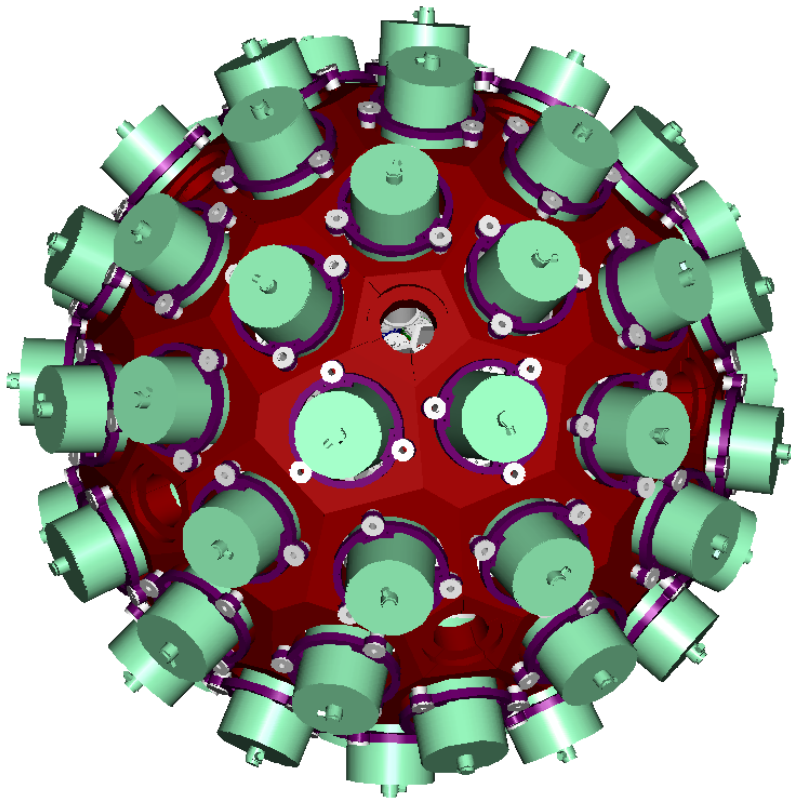
# Properties of the AGATA-Triple-Cryostats

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# The AGATA Spectrometer



**180** hexagonal crystals

60 triple-clusters

Amount of germanium 362 kg

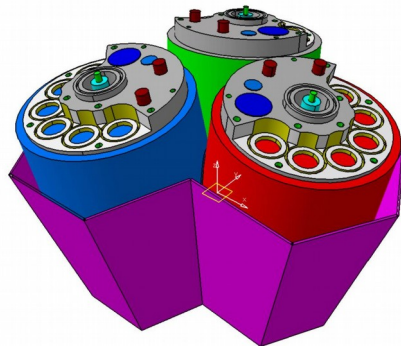
Solid angle coverage 82 %

36-fold segmentation 6480 segments

Singles rate >50 kHz

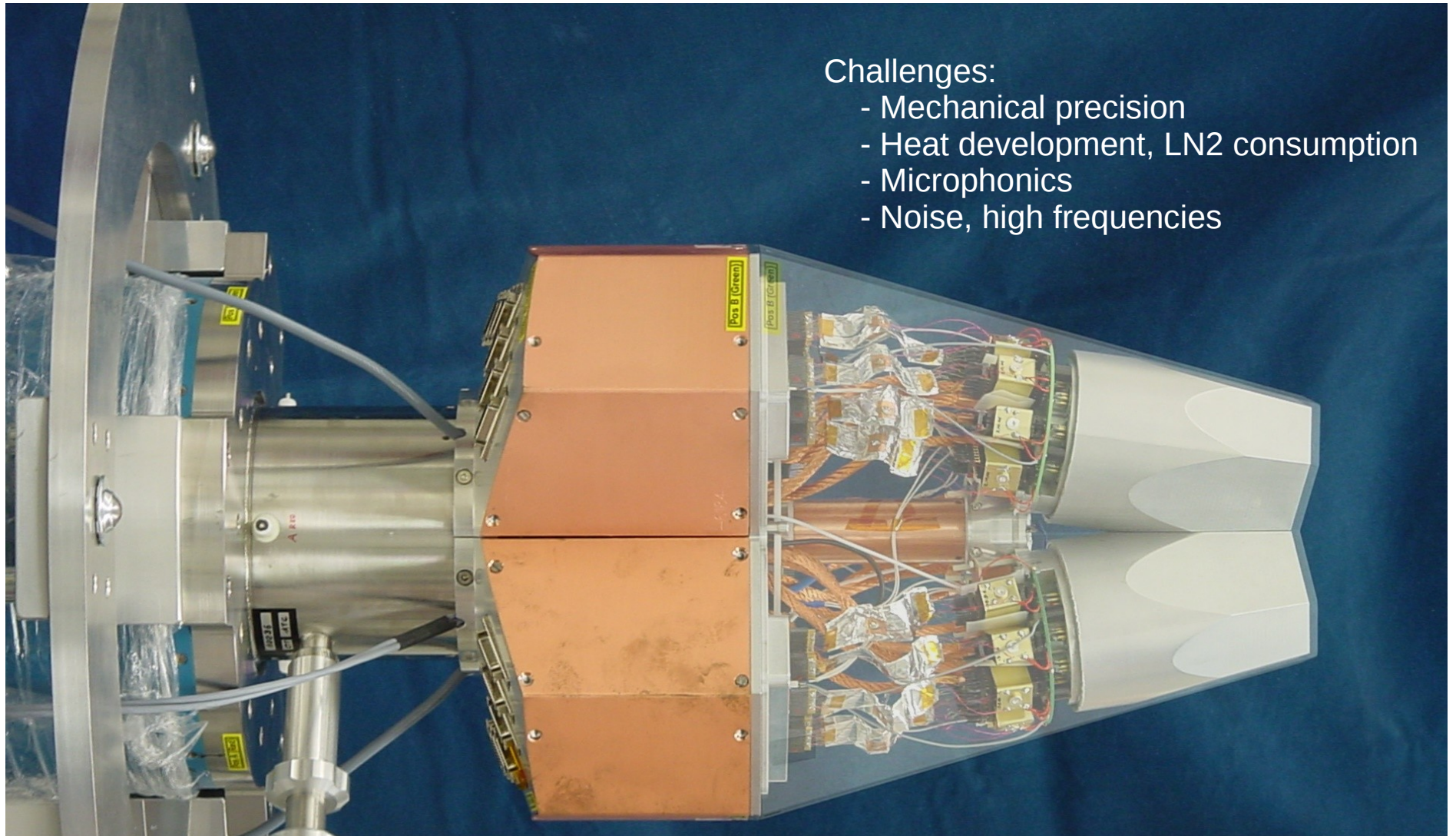
Efficiency: 43% ( $M_\gamma=1$ ) 28% ( $M_\gamma=30$ )

Peak/Total: 58% ( $M_\gamma=1$ ) 49% ( $M_\gamma=30$ )



- 6660 high-resolution digital electronics channels
- High throughput DAQ
- Pulse-Shape Analysis
  - position-sensitive operation mode
- $\gamma$ -ray tracking algorithms

# Asymmetric AGATA Triple Cryostat



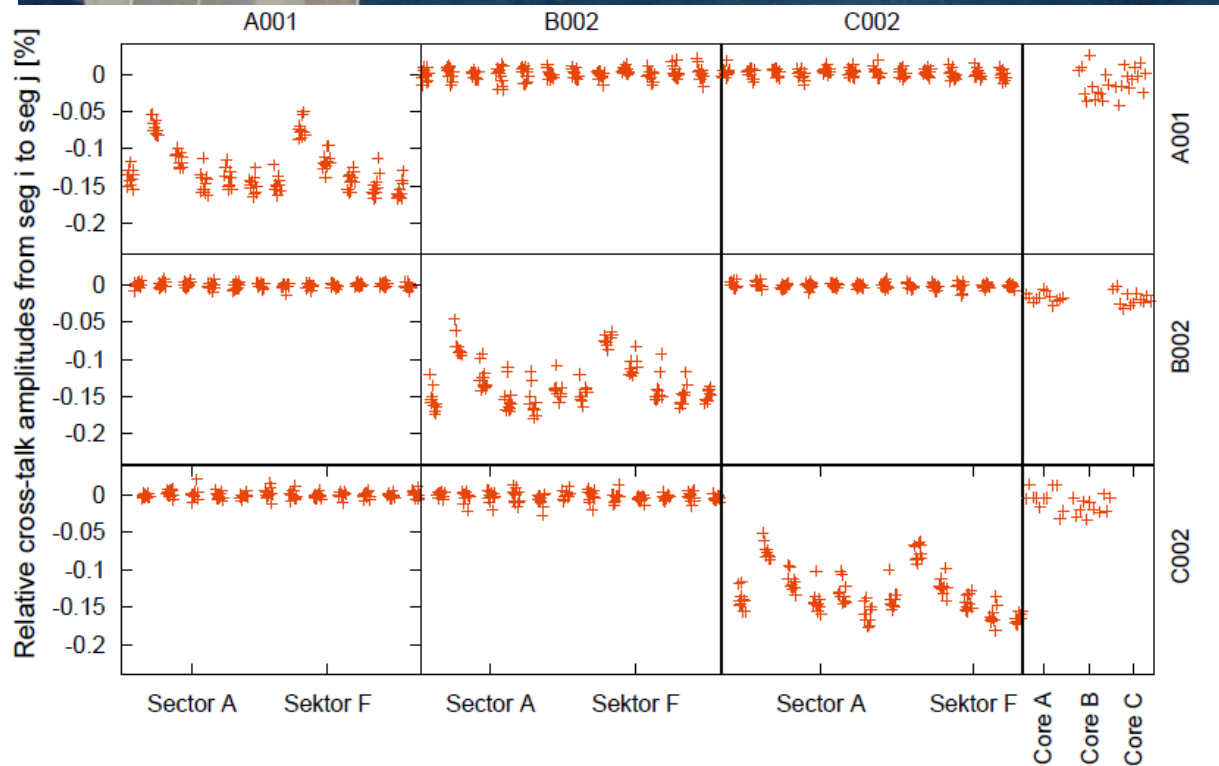
## Challenges:

- Mechanical precision
- Heat development, LN2 consumption
- Microphonics
- Noise, high frequencies

# Asymmetric AGATA Triple Cryostat



- Integration of 111 high resolution spectroscopy channels
- Cold FET technology for all signals
- Crosstalk < 0.1 %

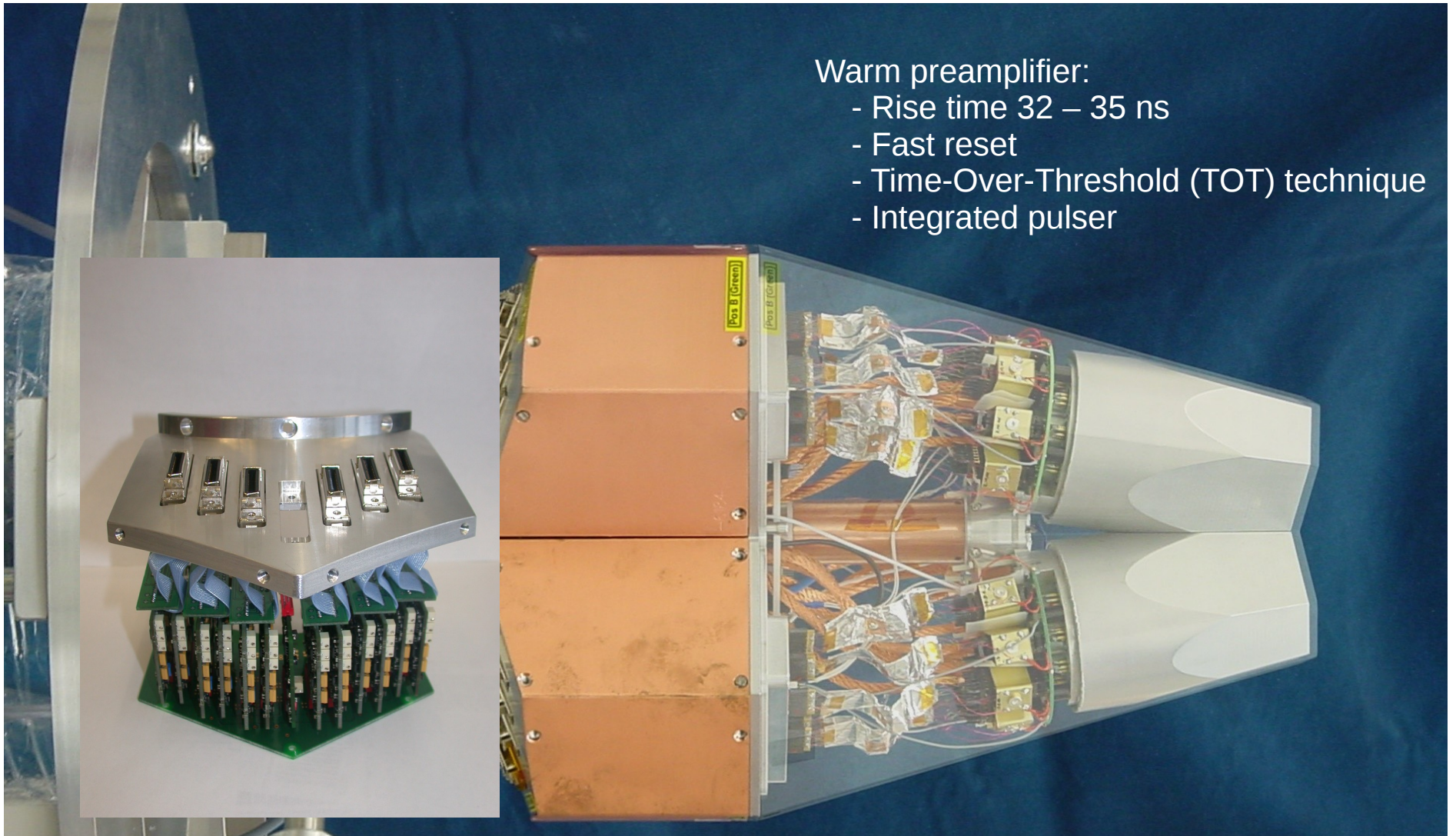


Energy resolution: 2.1 keV for segments and 2.3 keV for core at 1.3 MeV  
1.0 keV for segments and 1.3 keV for core at 60 keV

# Asymmetric AGATA Triple Cryostat

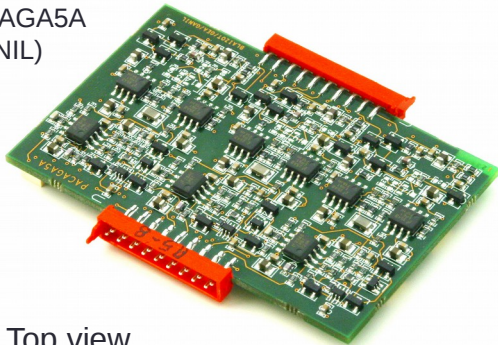
Warm preamplifier:

- Rise time 32 – 35 ns
- Fast reset
- Time-Over-Threshold (TOT) technique
- Integrated pulser



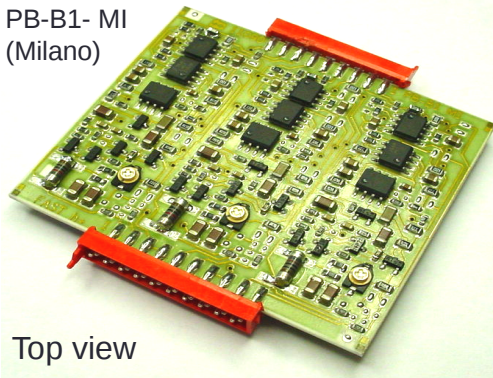
# Developed AGATA Preamplifiers

PACAGA5A  
(GANIL)



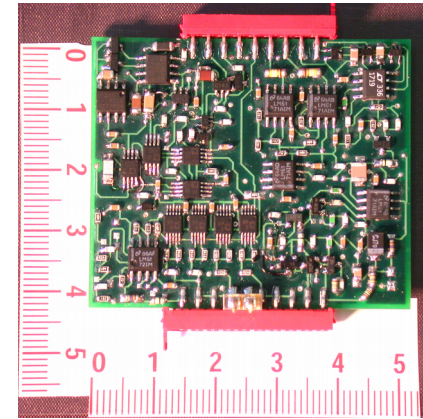
Top view

PB-B1- MI  
(Milano)

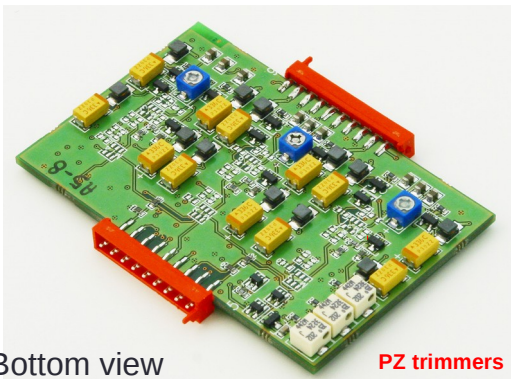


Top view

AGATA\_  
core-pulser  
(Köln)



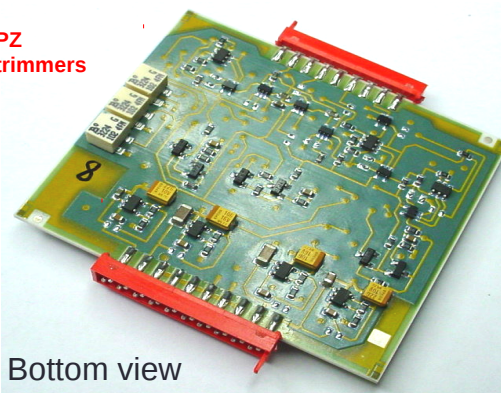
1 Channel  
version



Bottom view

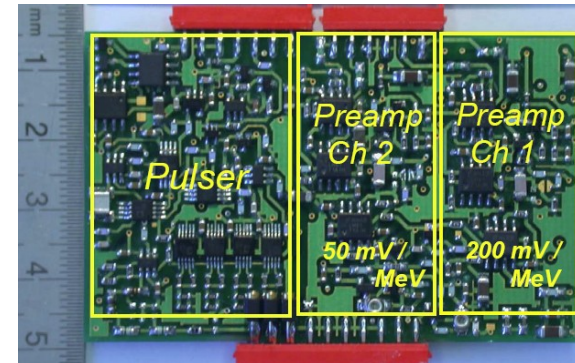
PZ trimmers

PZ  
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Bottom view

New version: "Dual Core"



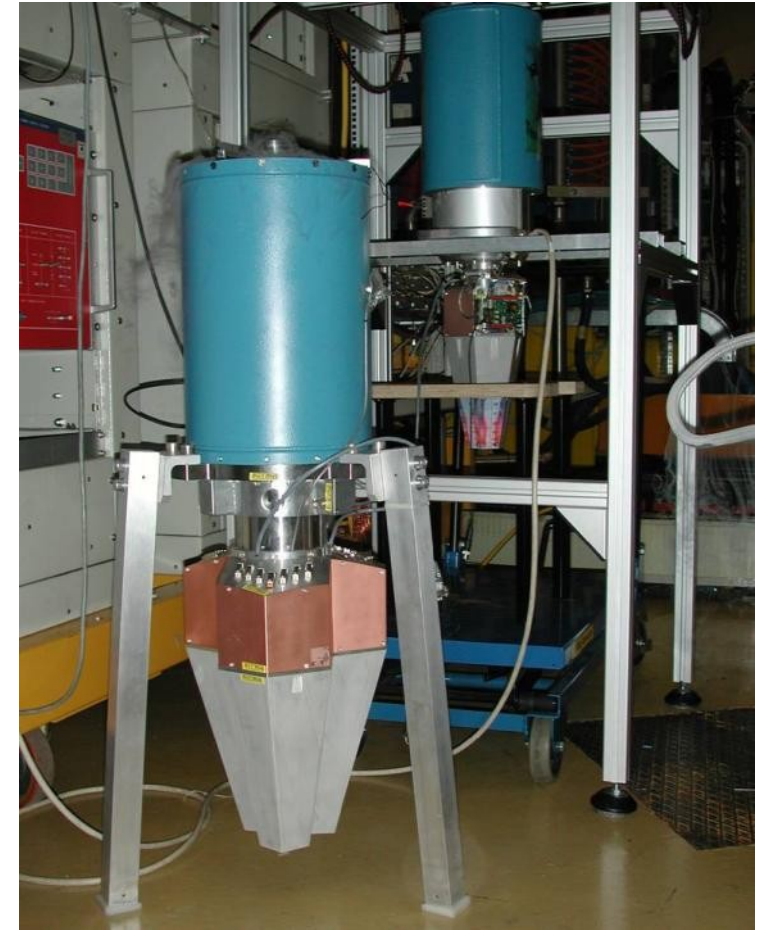
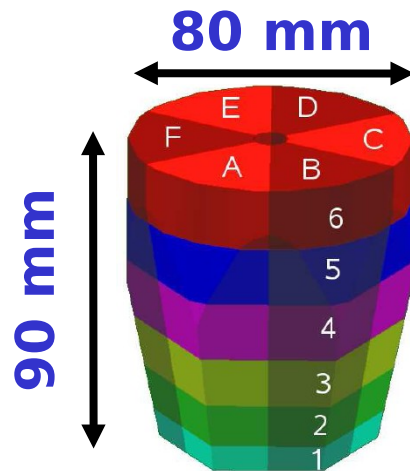
**Triple segment preamp  
on FR4 substrate**  
Mod. "PACAGA5A" – GANIL  
B. Cahan et al.

**Triple segment preamp  
on alumina substrate**  
Mod. "PB-B1 MI" – Milano  
A. Pullia et al.

**Core preamplifier & built-in pulser  
on FR4 substrate**  
Mod. "AGATA core-pulser" – Koeln  
G. Pascovici et al.

A. Pullia, G. Pascovici, B. Cahan, D. Weisshaar, C. Boiano, R. Bassini, M. Petcu, F. Zocca, "The AGATA charge-sensitive preamplifiers with built-in pulser and active-reset device", Proc. Nucl. Sci. Symp., October 16-22, 2004, Rome, Italy

# AGATA Components



36-fold segmentation

# Benefits and Deficits of the hitherto encapsulation

## Benefits:

- Easy to handle detectors for maintenance and mounting in cryostats
- Long integrity lifetime
- ~ 95% of more than 150 encapsulated detectors produced 25 years ago are still working with original resolution

## Deficits:

- Complex technologies for manufacture and repair
  - Destructive opening of the capsule for detector repair (max 2-3 times)
    - high costs of repairs
- Welding process reduces the dimensional accuracy → has to be compensated during assembly of triple cryostats

Conclusion: Develop re-usable capsule with metal-elastic seal

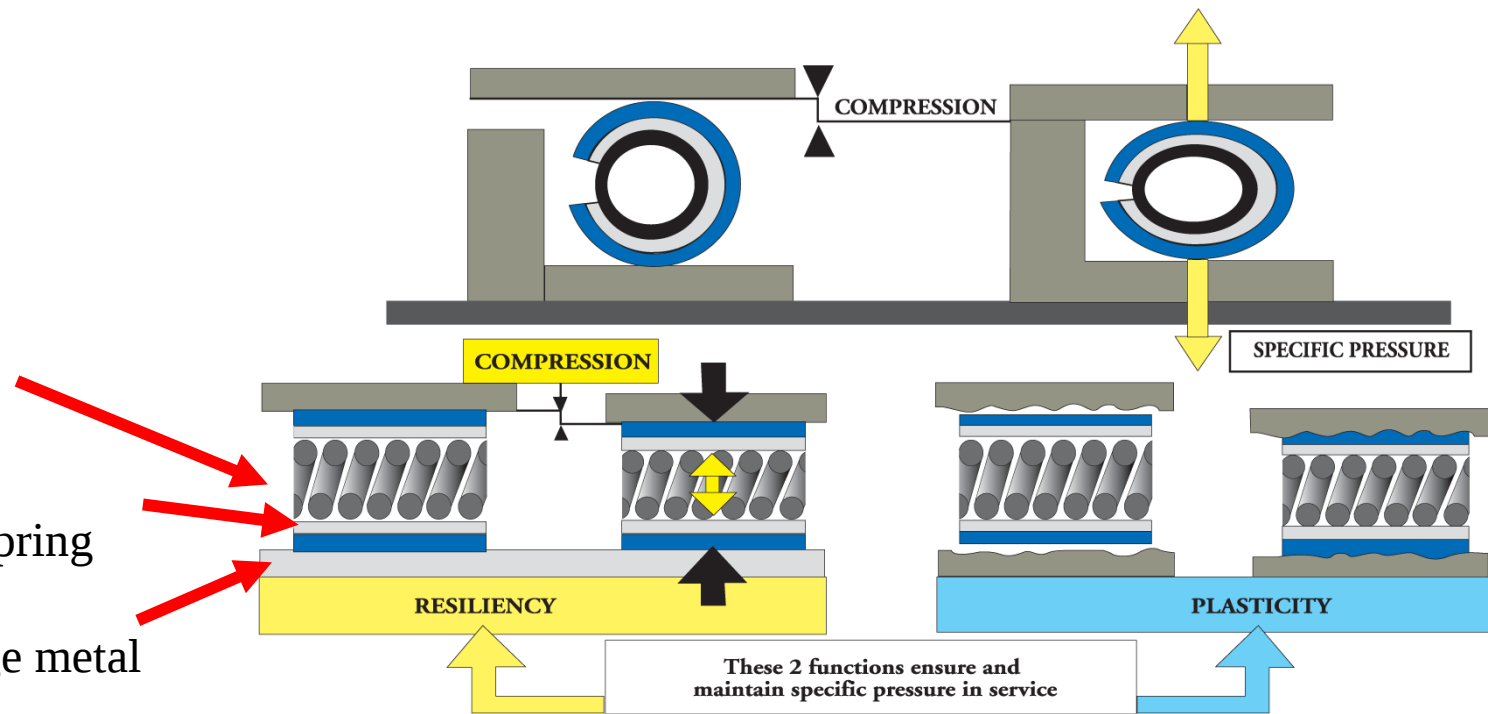


# Principle of a metal-elastic seal: UHV-tight from liquid He to some 100's centigrades

Spiral spring gives the seating stress

Elastic coverage of the spring

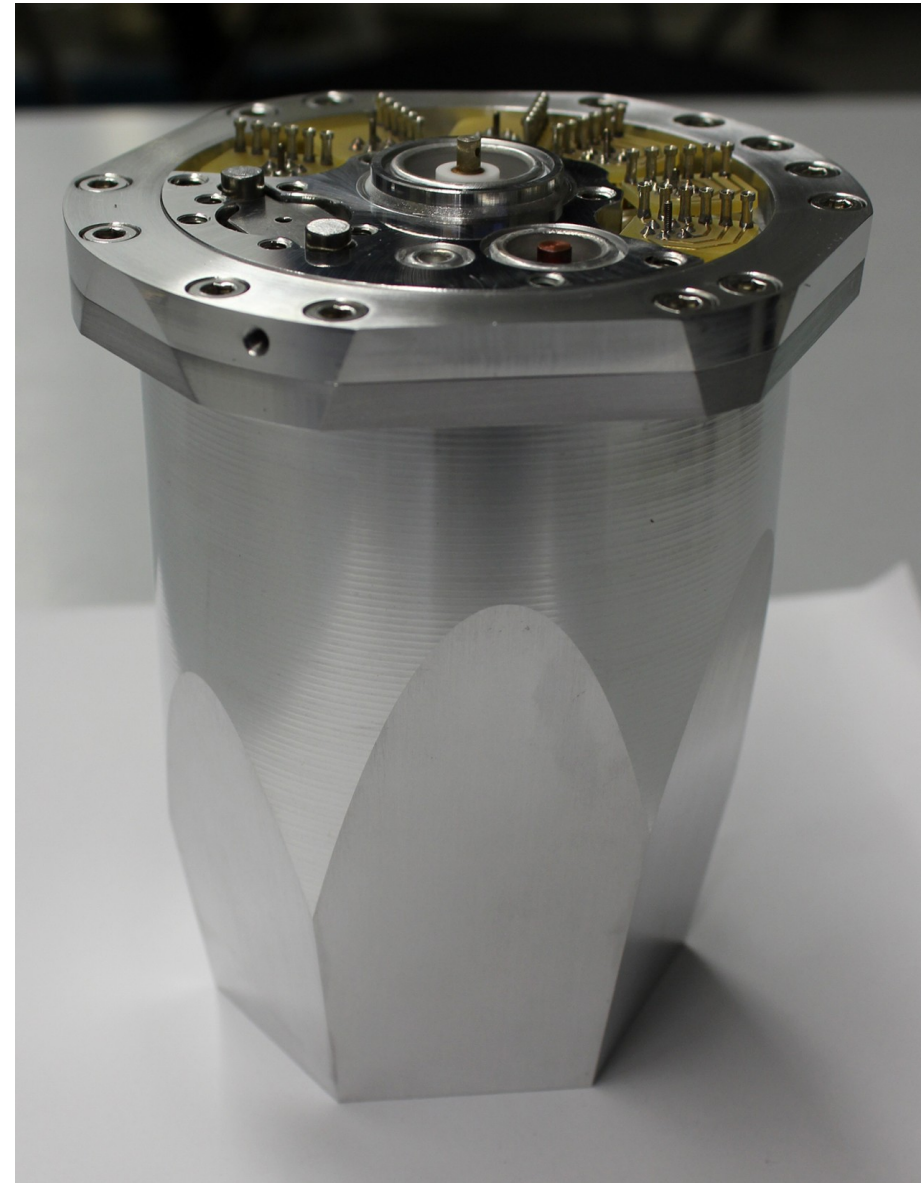
Coating softer than flange metal



# AGATA detector with new sealing technology

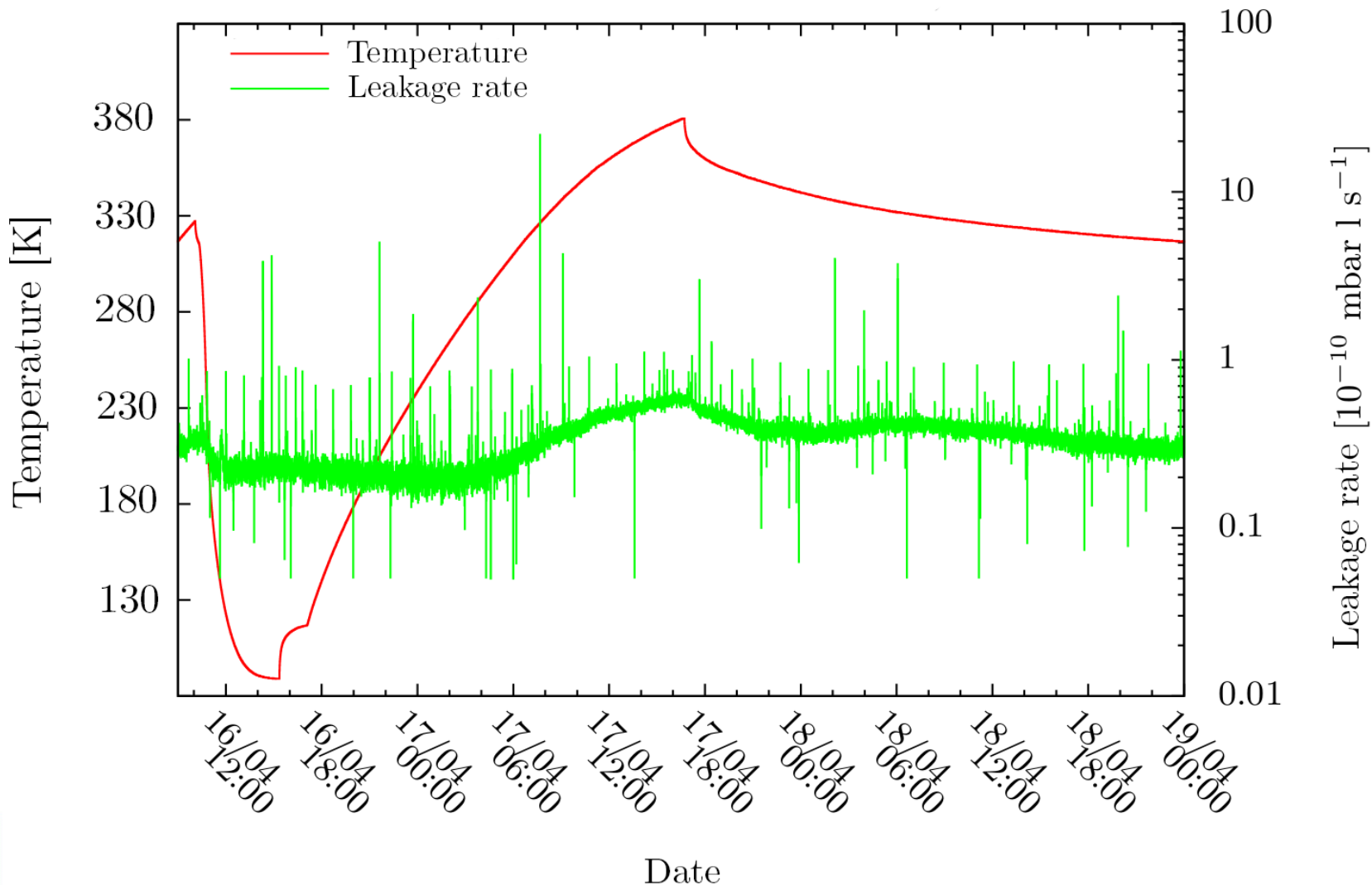


The new AGATA capsule

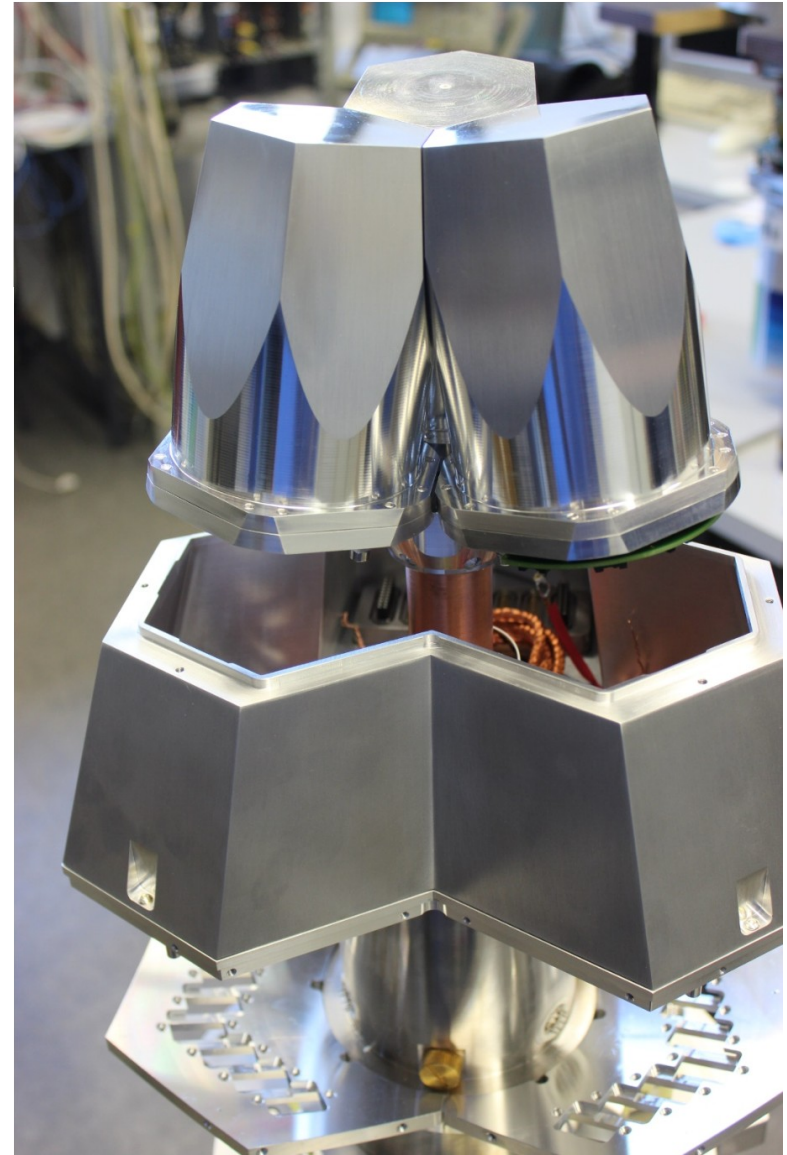
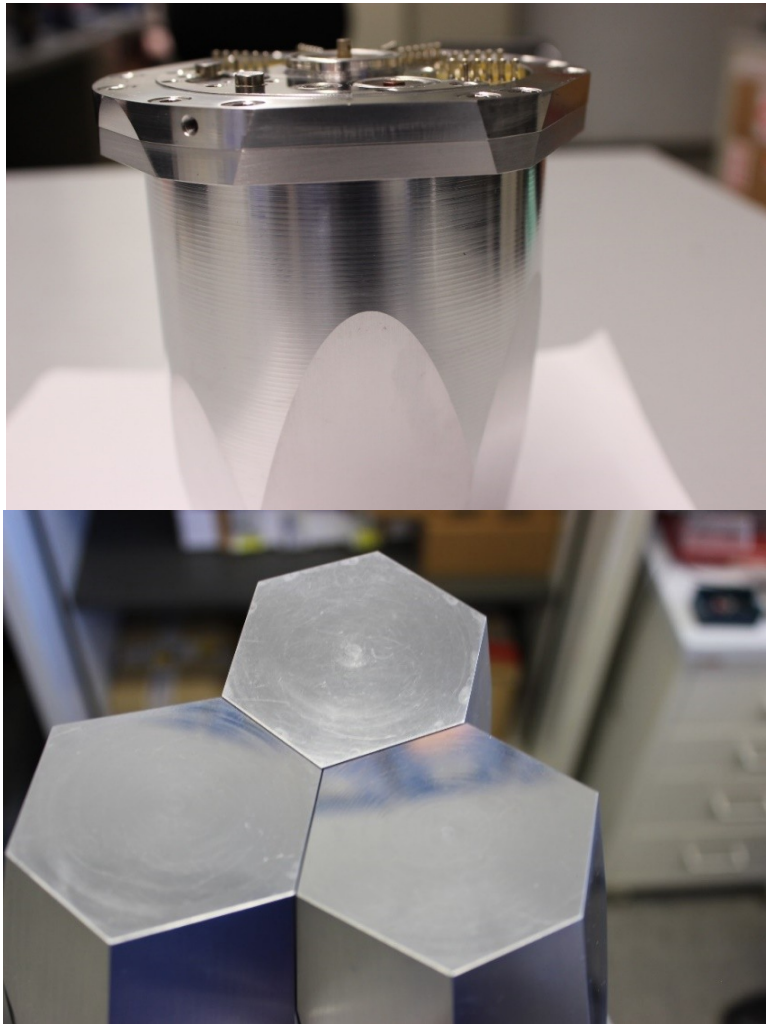


# AGATA capsule with a metal elastic seal

Leakage rate during a temperature cycle from 77 K to 378 K

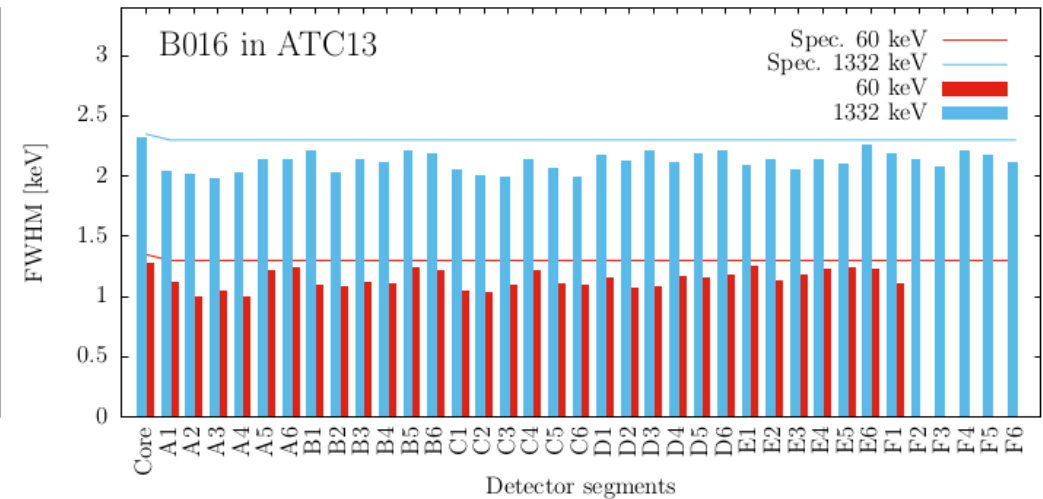
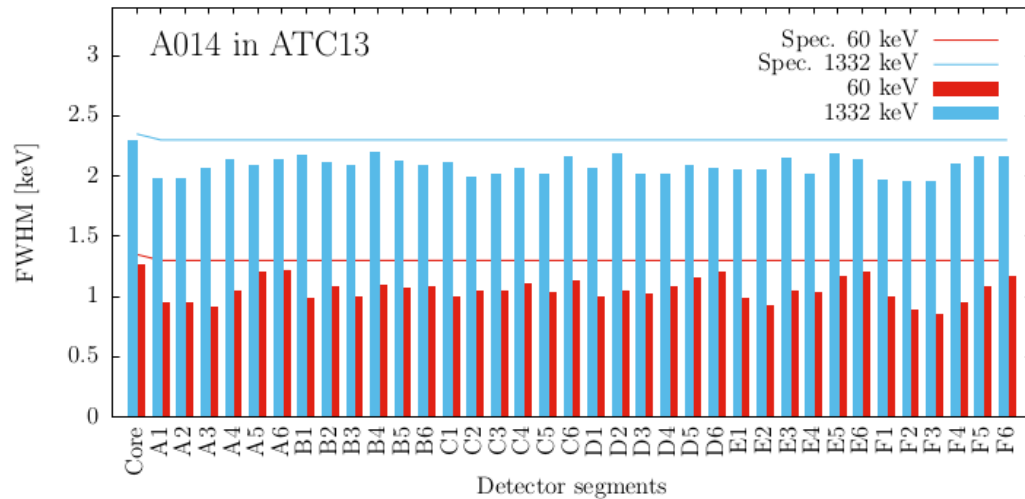


# Assembly of ATC13, new encapsulation technology



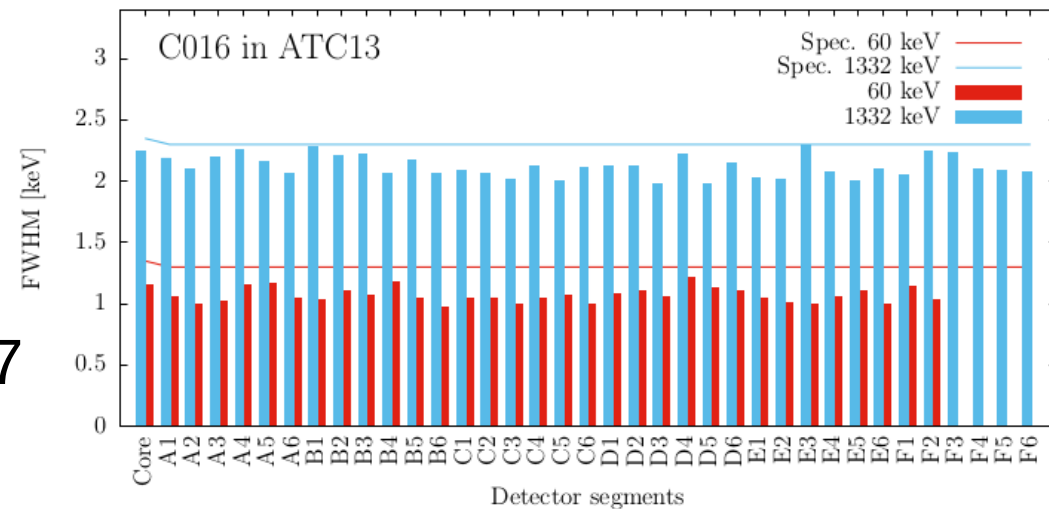
Capsules fit without adjustment

# Energy resolution of ATC13 (measured at IKP)

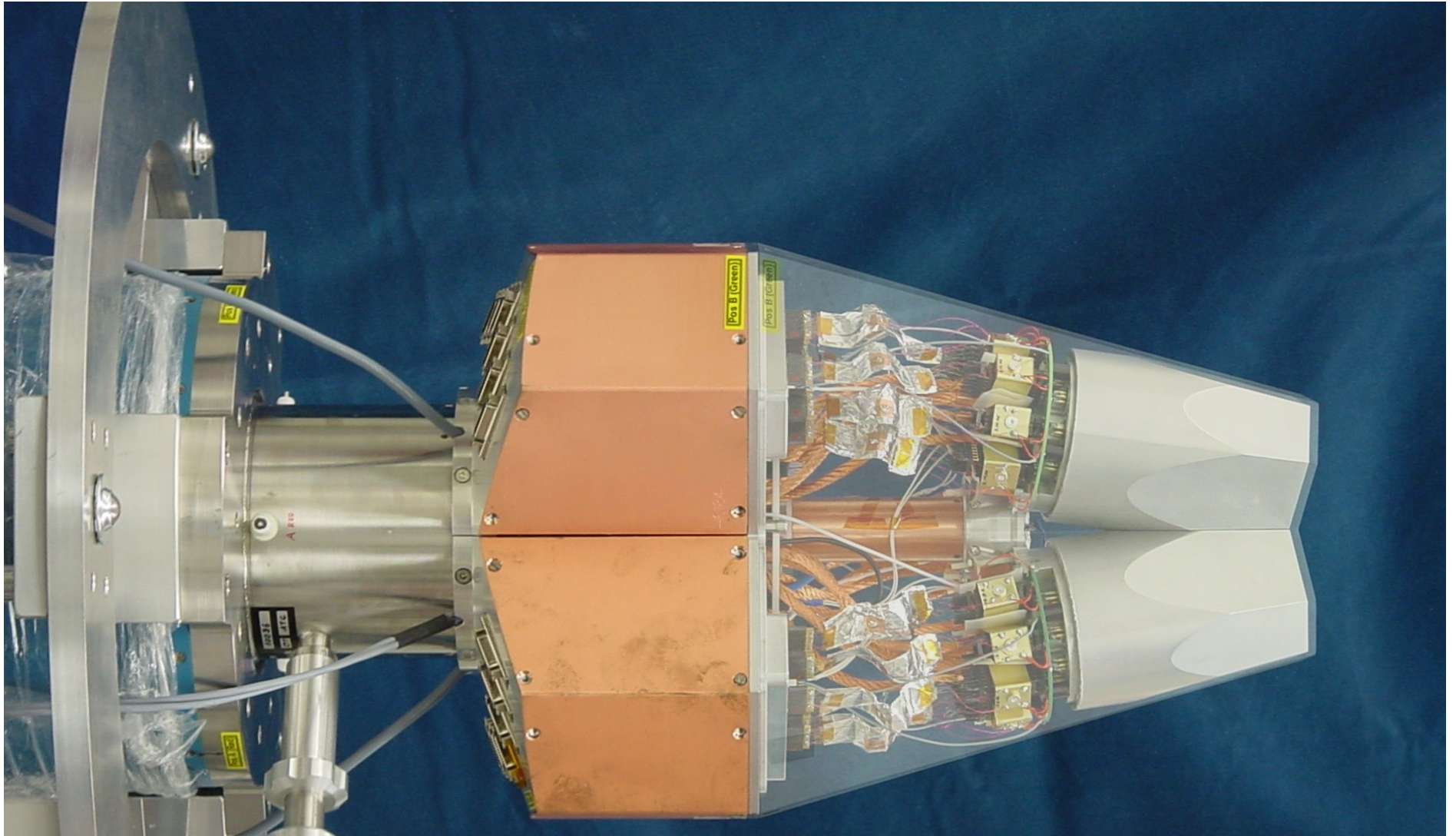


First AGATA triple cryostat  
with the new encapsulation  
technology

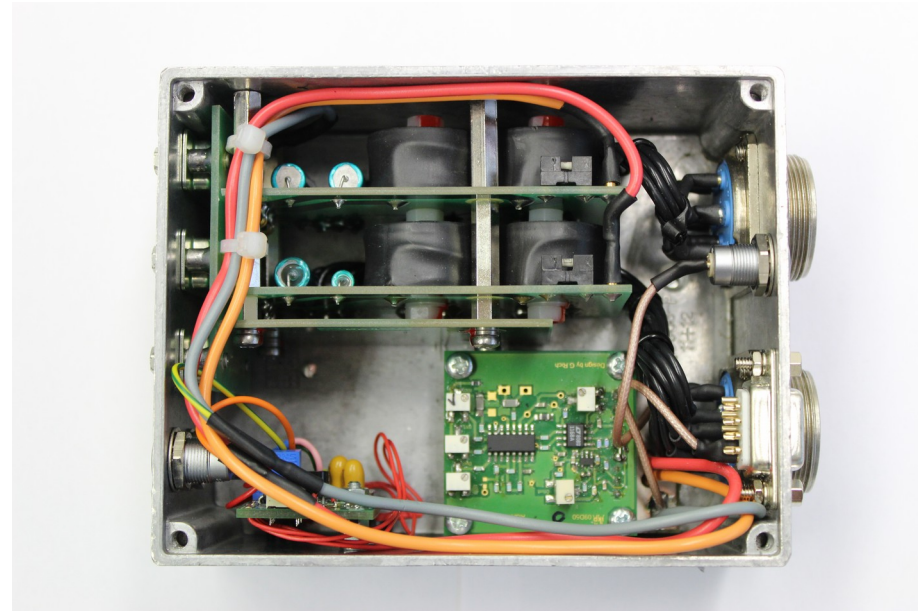
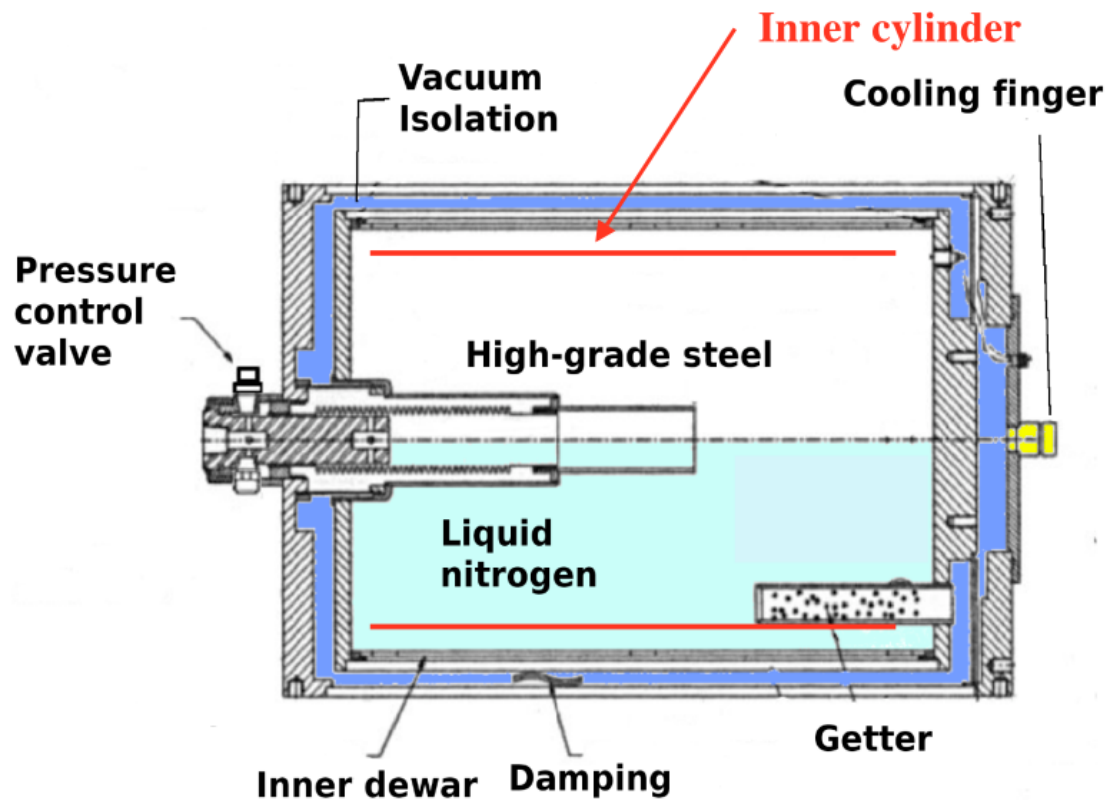
→ delivered to GANIL March 2017



# Vacuum properties & PT100

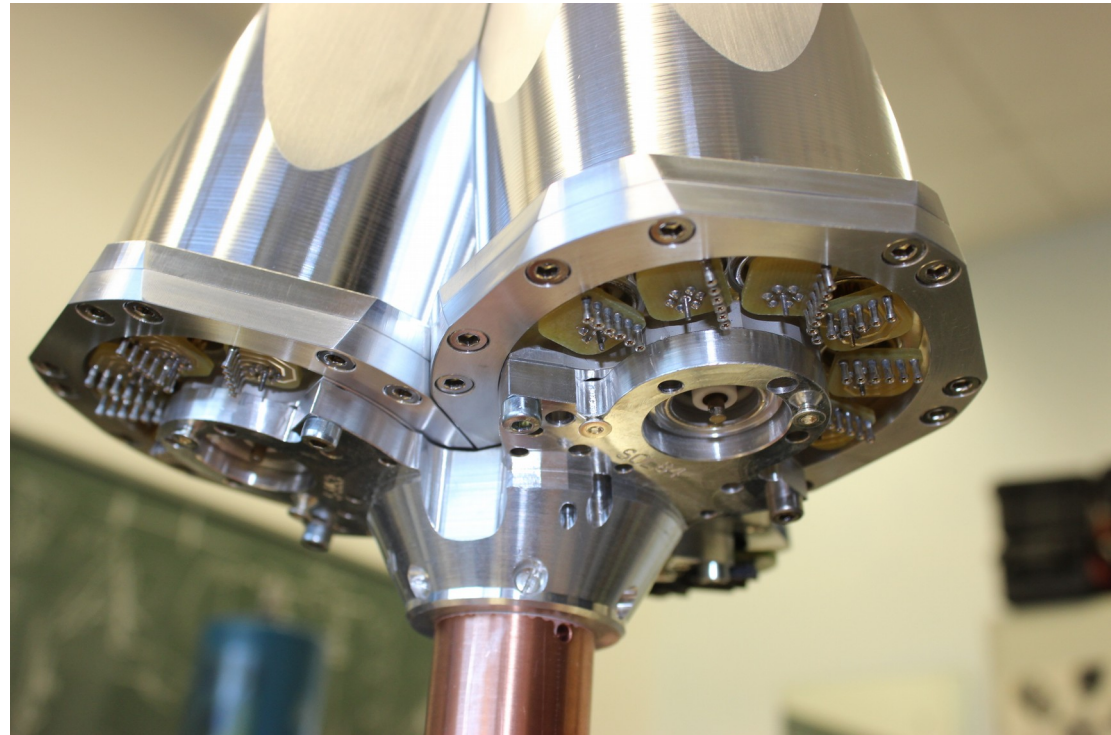


# Capacity read out of the AGATA Triple Cryostats



- Capacity between inner cylinder and inner dewar
- use of different dielectric constant of liquid- and gaseous nitrogen
  - capacity as function of LN2 level
  - difference between full and empty dewar ca. 120 pF ~ 12%
  - C/V transducer → DC voltage signal
  - direct readout of LN2 level
  - information about LN2 consumption

# Vacuum properties of a AGATA triple cryostat



So far: Getter integrated in dewar

→ has to be annealed with dewar

But: optimal annealing at 200°C

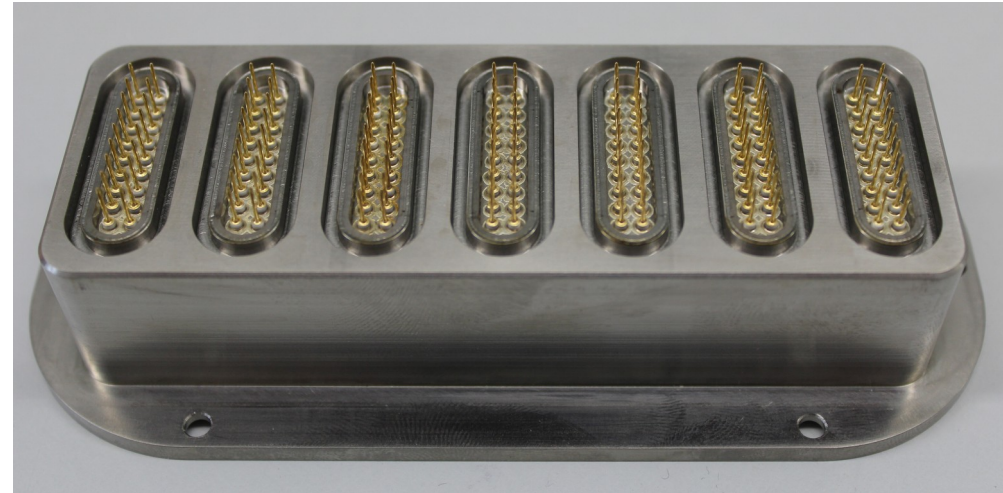
- Getter mounted in a removable box on the cooling finger, can be annealed outside the cryostat



# The AGATA ceramic feedthroughs

To improve the high reliability new feedthroughs were developed

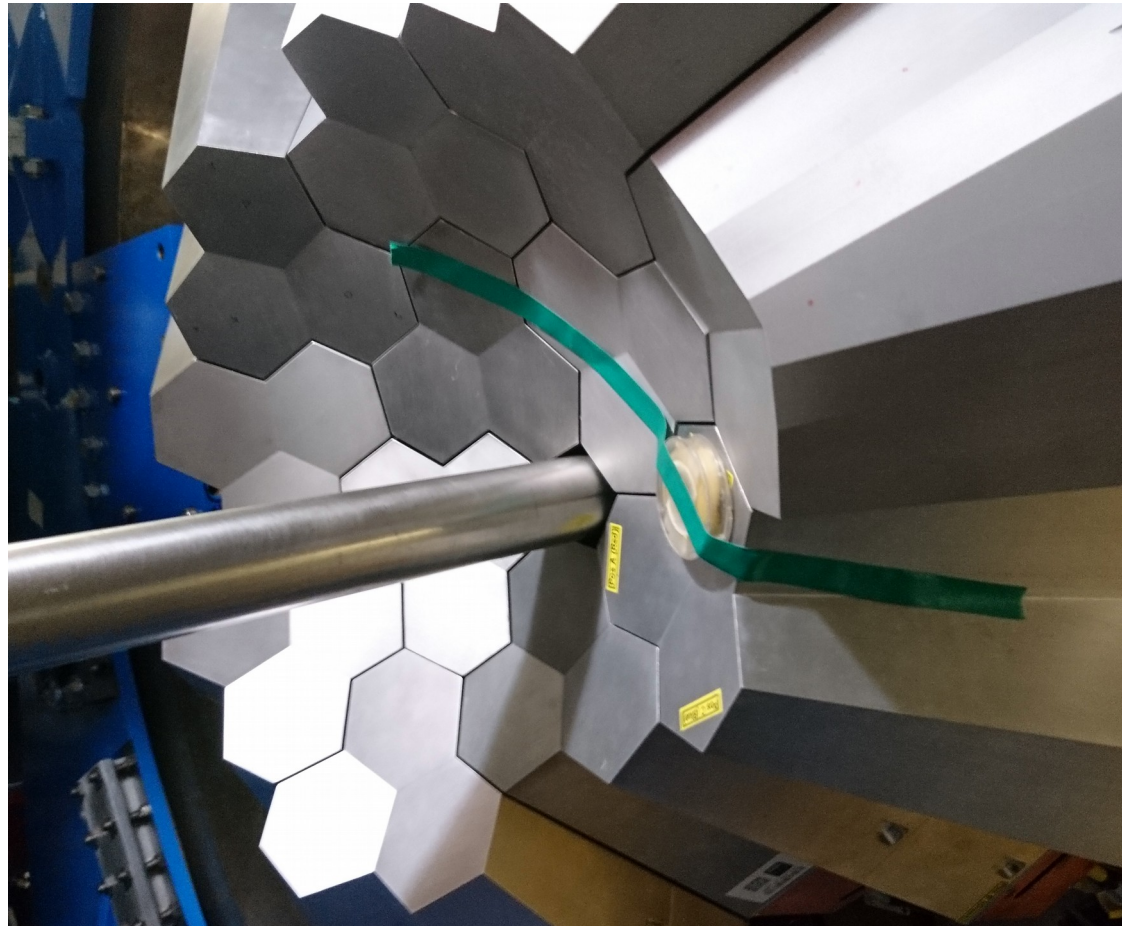
- Ti-housing
- Gold-plated contact pins in insulators of Aluminiumoxide ceramic
- 18 gold-plated pins sintered in one feedthrough with Cu-Ag-alloy
- 7 feedthroughs integrated in one Ti-housing (electron welding)



# Detectors in GANIL begin of March

**35 out of 47 detectors in GANIL for physics campaign**

ATC01: A012, B001, C004  
ATC02: A003, B003, C005  
ATC04: A007, B007, C007  
ATC05: A008, B002, C009  
ATC06: A001, B004, C010  
ATC07: A006, B013, C006  
ATC08: A009, B005, C008  
ATC09: A004, B008, C002  
ATC11: A011, B006, C012  
ATC12: A013, B014, C015  
ATC13: A014, B016, C016  
  
ADC03: - B011, C011



# Development of a re-usable capsule for AGATA detectors by



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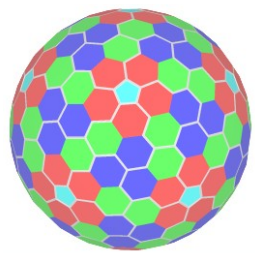
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