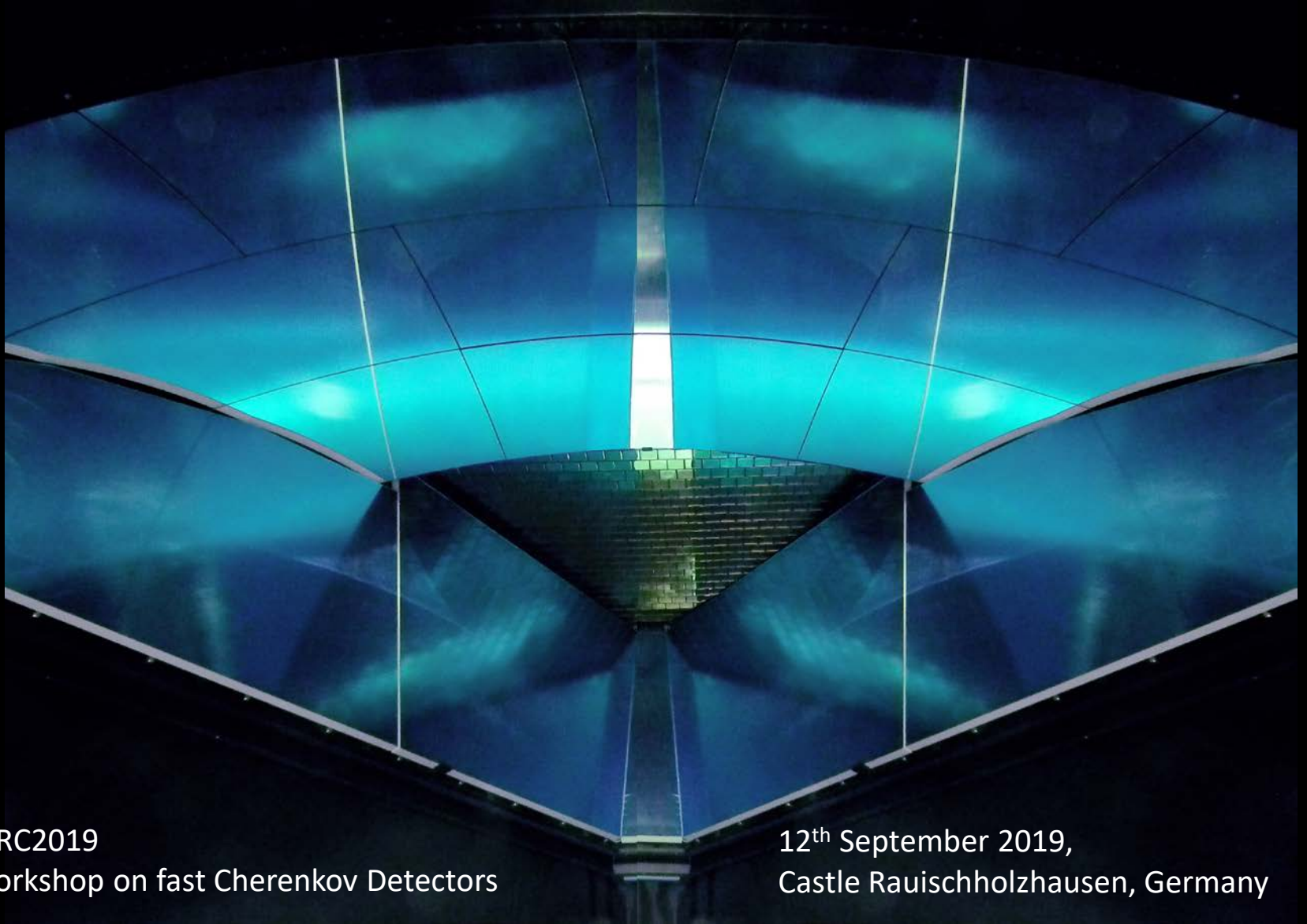


# Single Photon Imaging with the CLAS12 RICH Detector

M. Contalbrigo – INFN Ferrara – on behalf of the CLAS12 RICH group

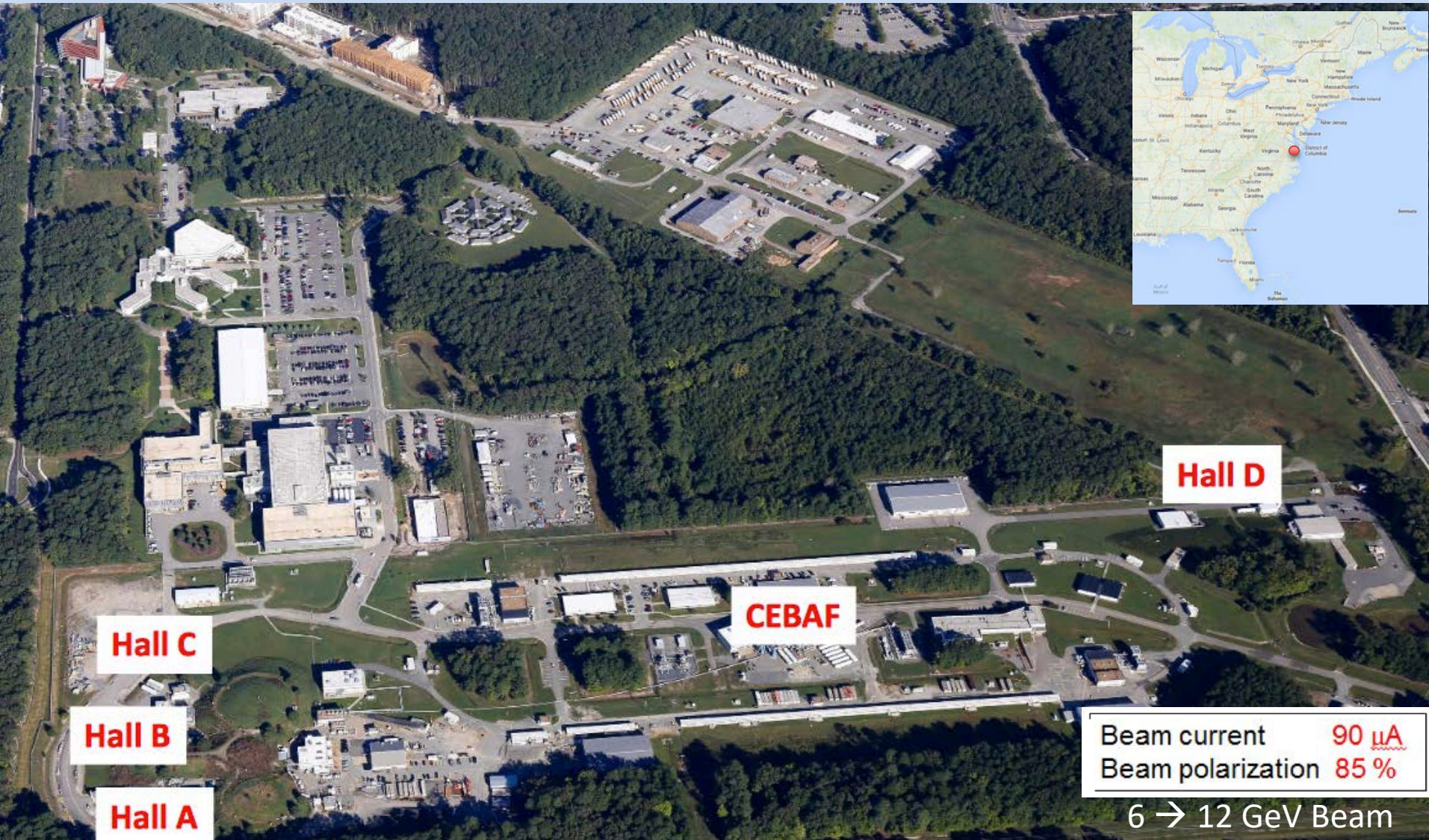


DIRC2019  
Workshop on fast Cherenkov Detectors

12<sup>th</sup> September 2019,  
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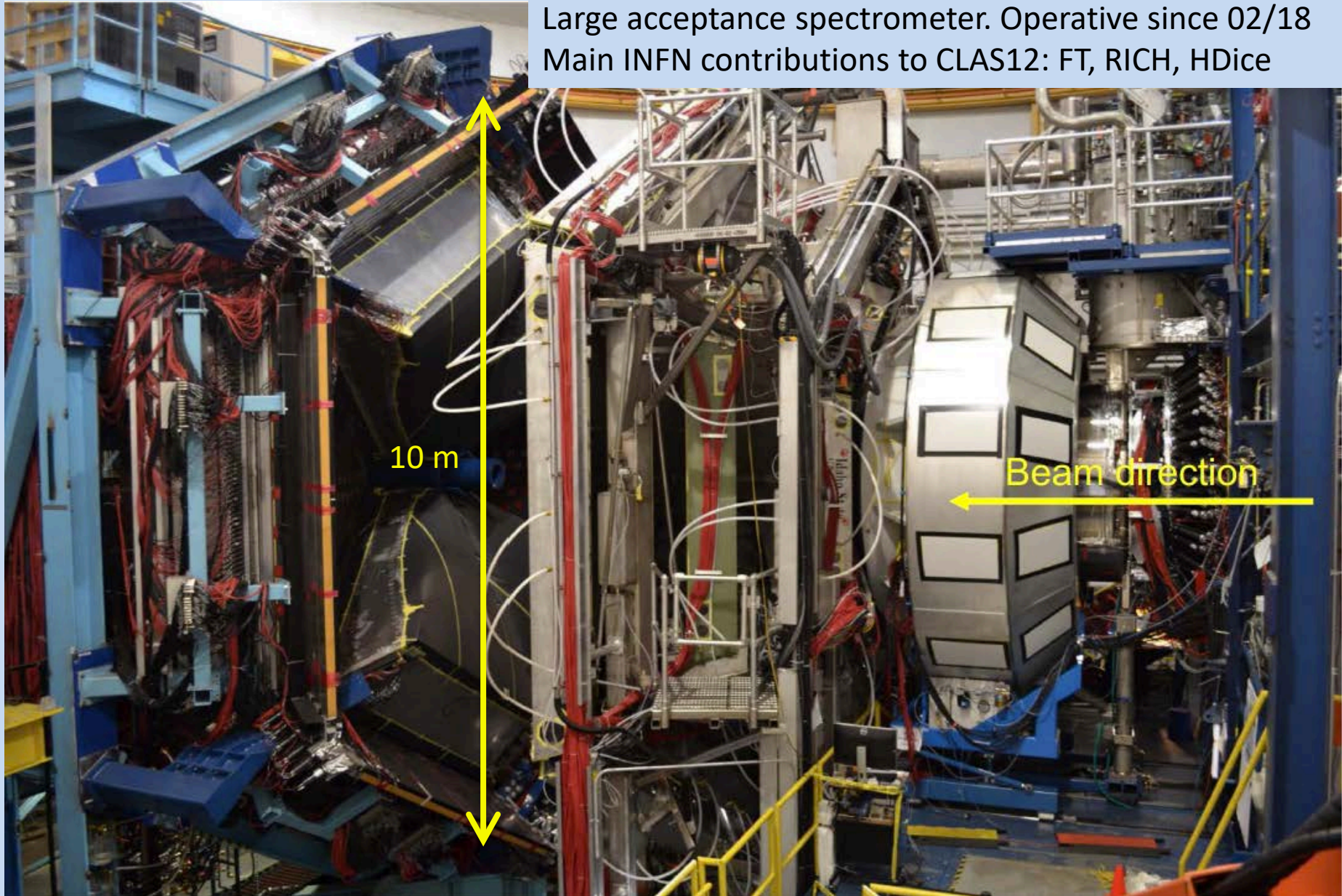
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Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility, Newport News, VA, USA

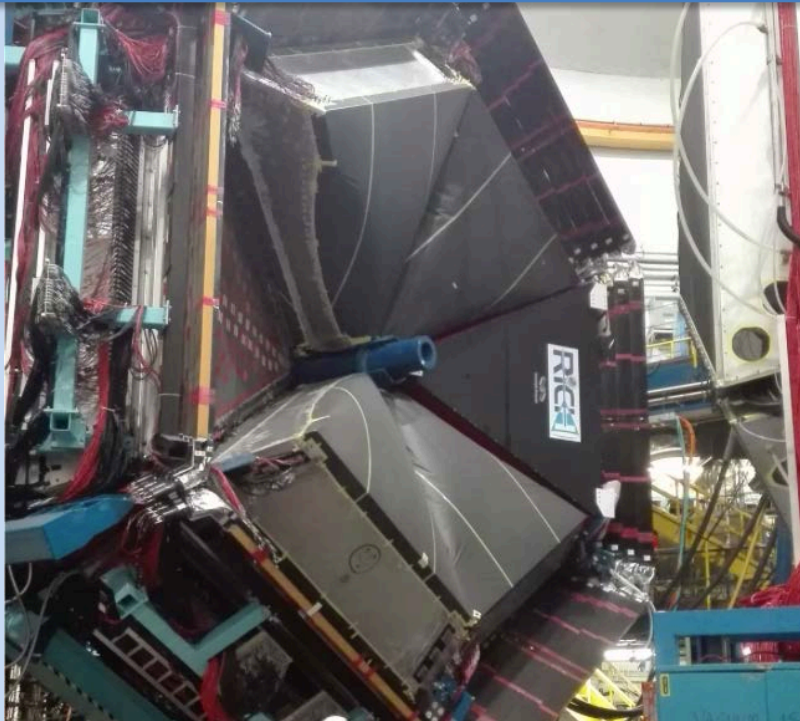


# CLAS12 in Hall-B

Large acceptance spectrometer. Operative since 02/18  
Main INFN contributions to CLAS12: FT, RICH, HDice



# CLAS12 RICH



## INSTITUTIONS

INFN (Italy) Bari, Ferrara, Genova, L.Frascati, Roma/ISS

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Argonne National Lab (Argonne, USA)

Duquesne University (Pittsburgh, USA)

George Washington University (USA)

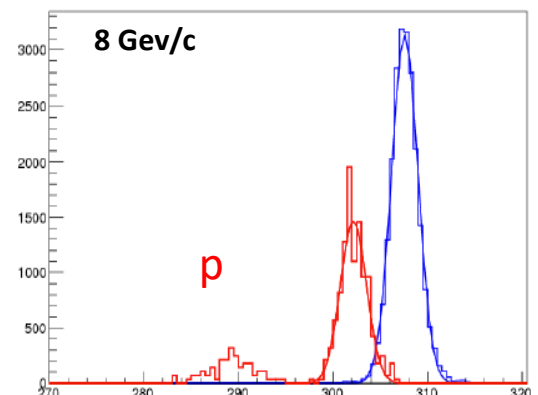
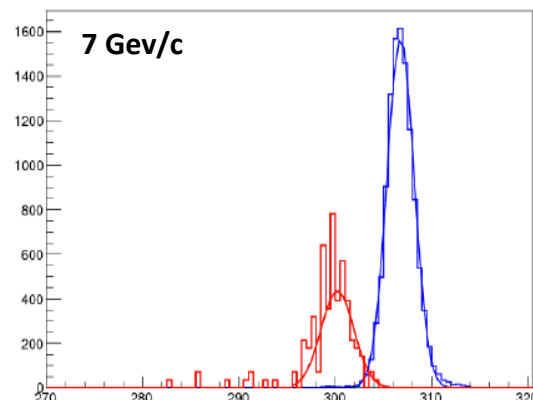
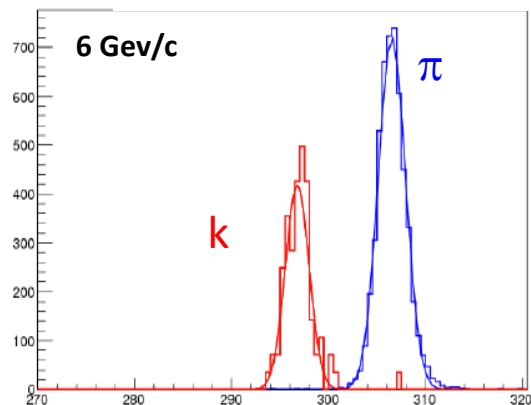
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University of Connecticut (Storrs, USA)

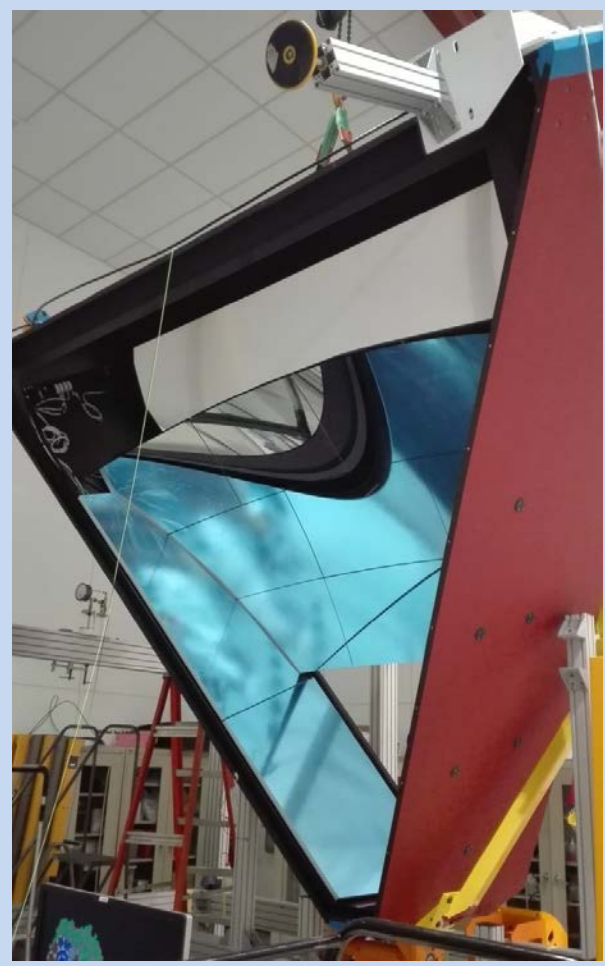
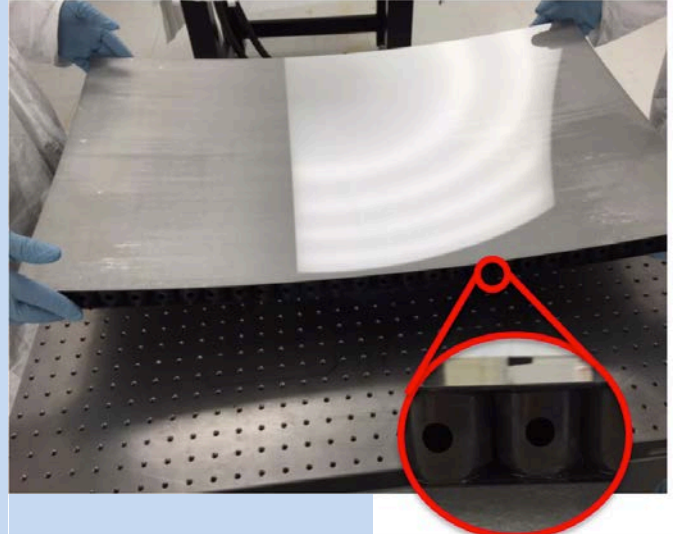
UTFSM (Valparaiso, Chile)

Goal kaon-pion separation up to 8 GeV/c (prototype results):



Cherenkov angle (mrad)

**Aeronautic technology for structure**  
to maximize lightness and stiffness. Trapezoid of composite materials: CFRP inside acceptance, Aluminum outside



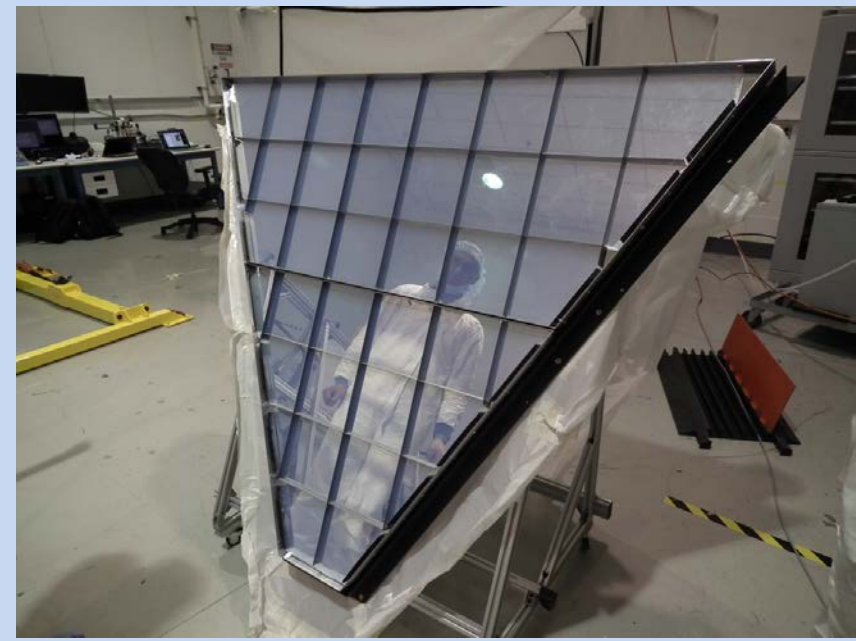
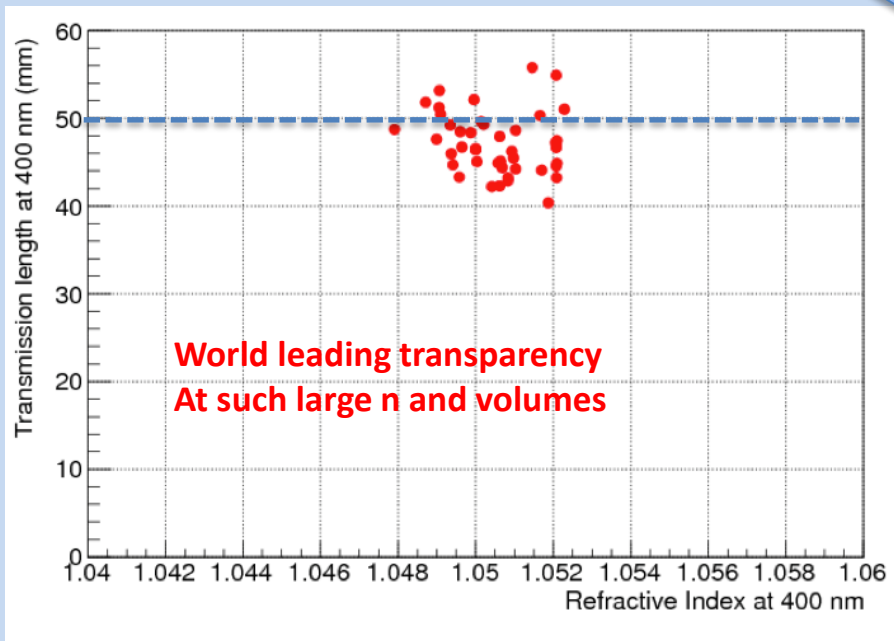
**Carbon Fiber Mirrors (spherical)**  
to maximize lightness and stiffness. Consolidate technology (HERMES, AMS, LHCb) but ~ 30 % material budget reduction



**Glass-Skin Mirrors (planar)**  
 Innovative technology never used in nuclear experiments.  
 1.5 mm outside, 0.7 mm inside acceptance  
 ~ 1/5 cost for squared meter vs CFRP



**Large refractive index aerogel radiator**  
 Tiles up to 20x20x3 cm<sup>2</sup> at n=1.05.



# Photon Sensor: MA-PMT

## 80 H8500 + 350 H12700

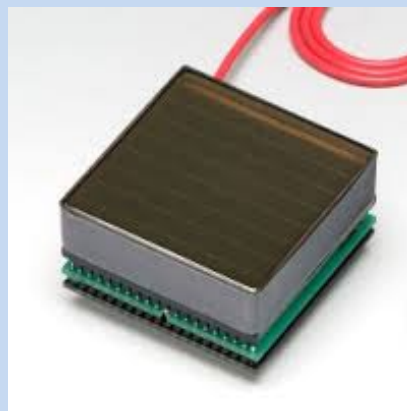
< 1 cm spatial resolution

< 1 ns time resolution

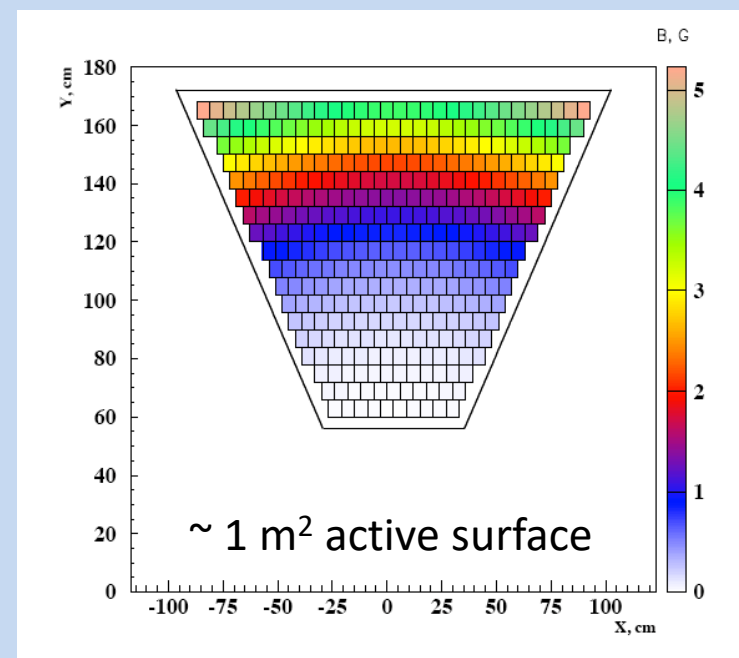
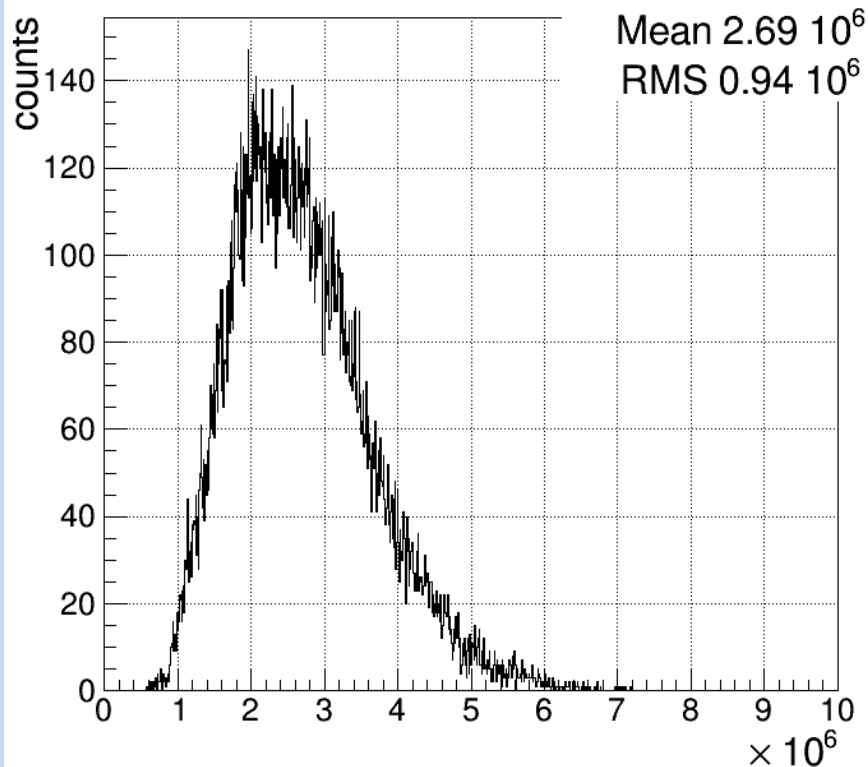
Compatible with the low torus fringe field

Average MA-PMT gain  $\sim 2.7 \cdot 10^6$

Corresponds to SPE  $\sim 400$  fC



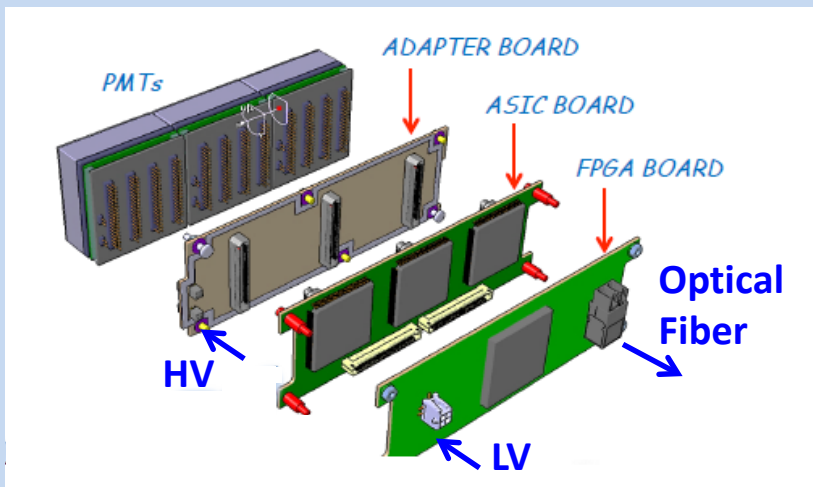
- ✓ 64  $6 \times 6$  mm<sup>2</sup> pixels cost effective device
- ✓ High sensitivity on VIS towards UV light
- ✓ Mature and reliable technology
- ✓ Large Area (5x5 cm<sup>2</sup>)
- ✓ High packing density (89 %)
- ✓ Fast response
- ✓ Expensive technology



# RICH Readout Electronics

## Readout Electronics

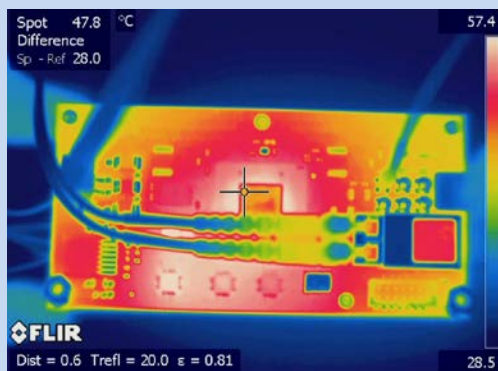
- Compact (matches sensor area)
- Modular Front-End (Mechanical adapter, ASIC, FPGA)
- Scalable fiber optic DAQ (TCP/IP or SSP)
- Tessellated (common HV, LV and optical fiber)



## SSP Fiber-Optic DAQ



## Tile power dissipation $\sim 3.5$ W





# RICH Front-End Electronics



Analog: Charge (1 fC)

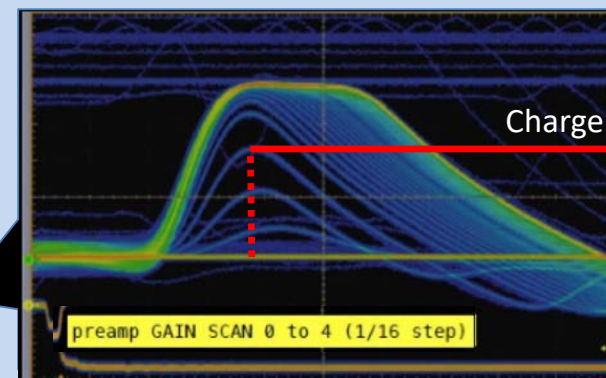
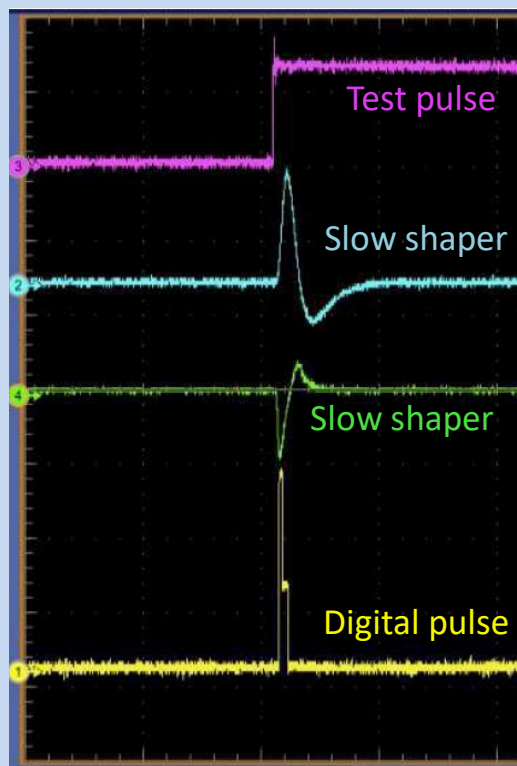
Digital: Time (1 ns)

Trigger latency (8  $\mu$ s)

Optical ethernet (2.5 Gbps)

Trigger: external  
internal  
self

On-board pulser



Linear response

Multiplexed readout

Limited holding time delays

Used for calibrations

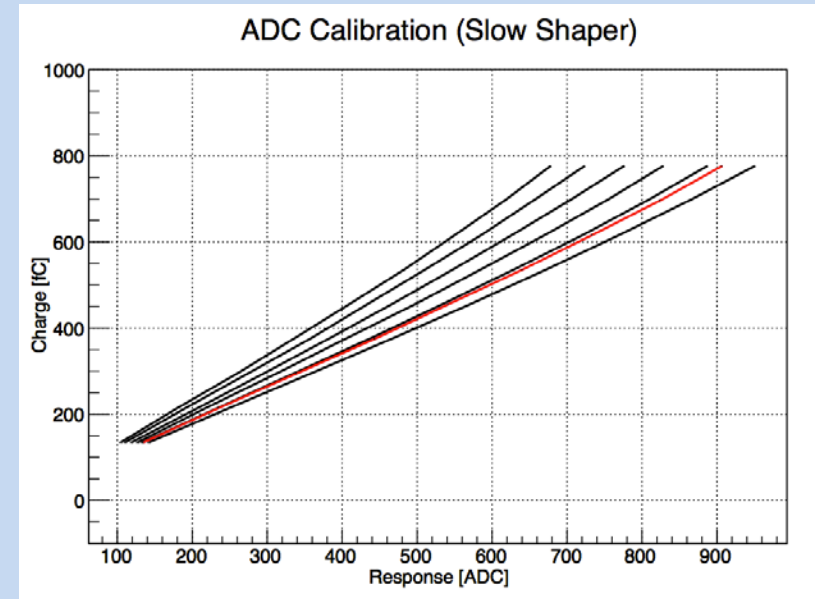
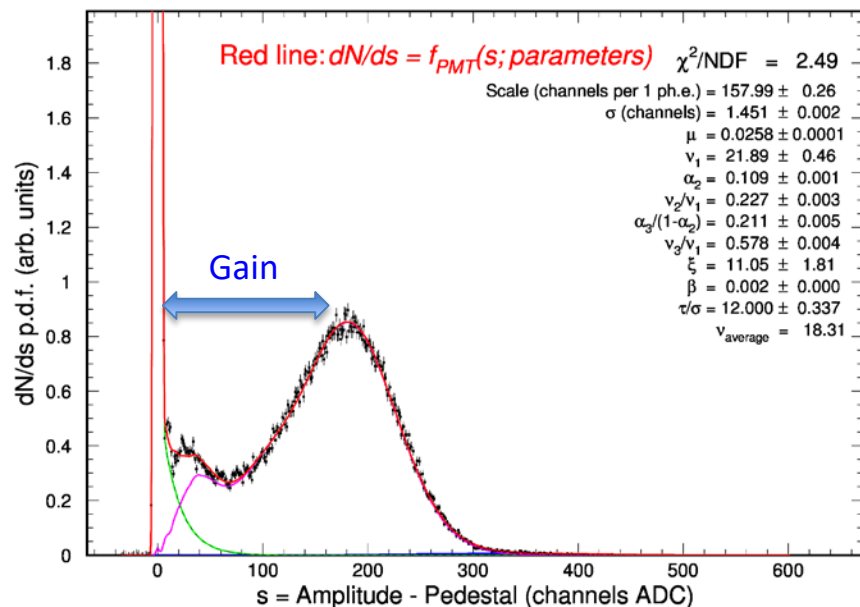
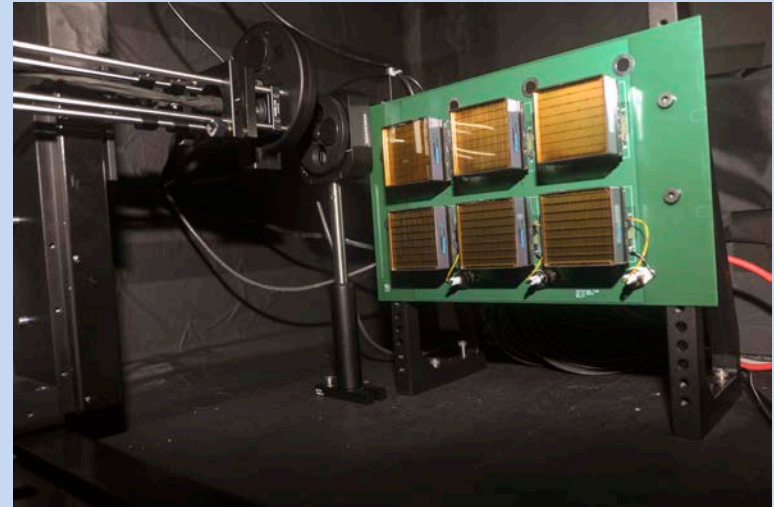
# ADC Charge Measurement

Multiplexed readout up to 50 kHz

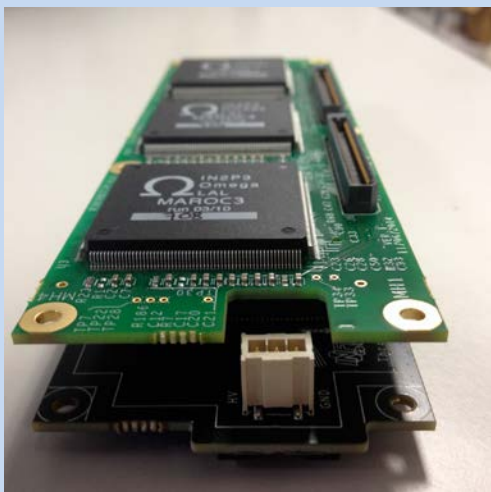
High resolution SPE spectrum

Viable for **efficiency** and **gain** monitors

In conjunction with timing, allows the study of PMT discharge and cross-talk



# RICH Front-End Electronics



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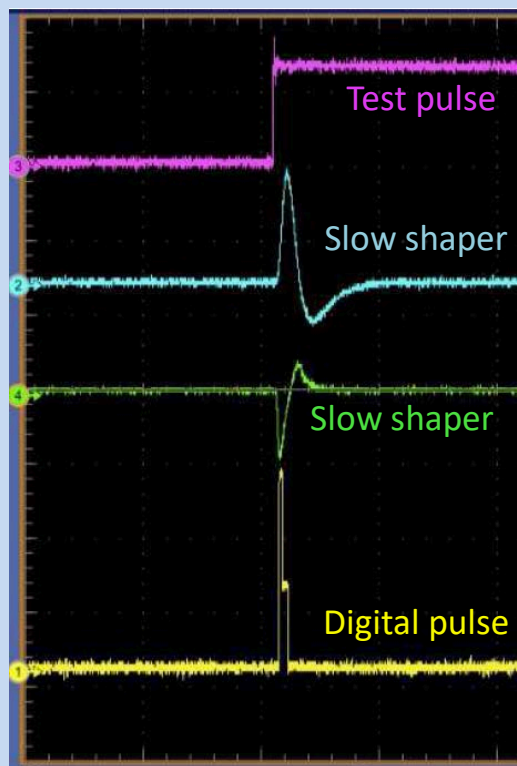
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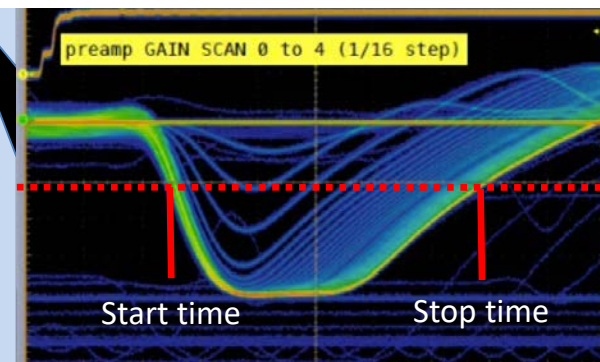
Digital response

Working in saturated regime

64 parallel channel readout

8  $\mu$ s FIFO and delays

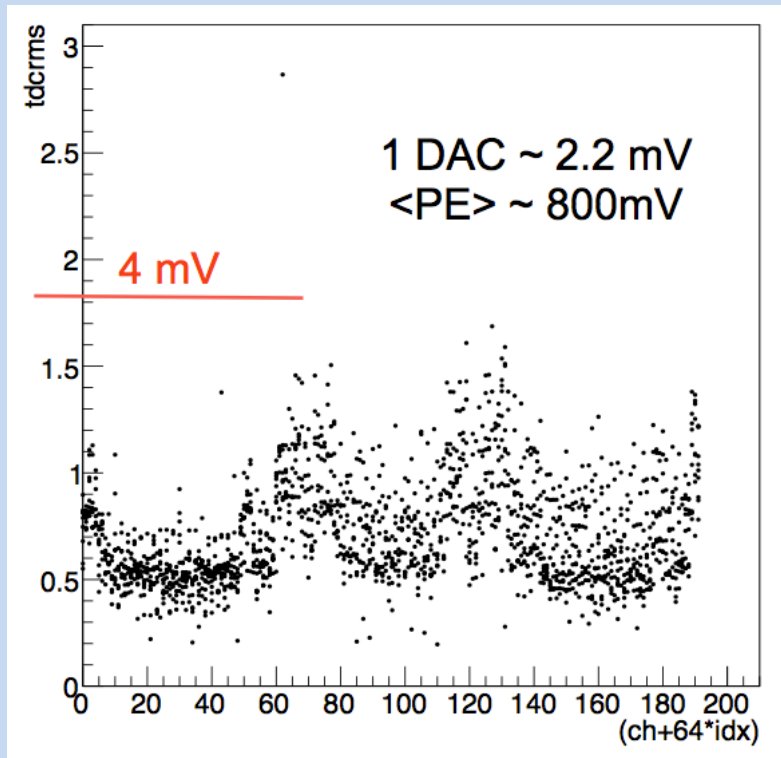
1 ns time resolution



# TDC Digital Readout

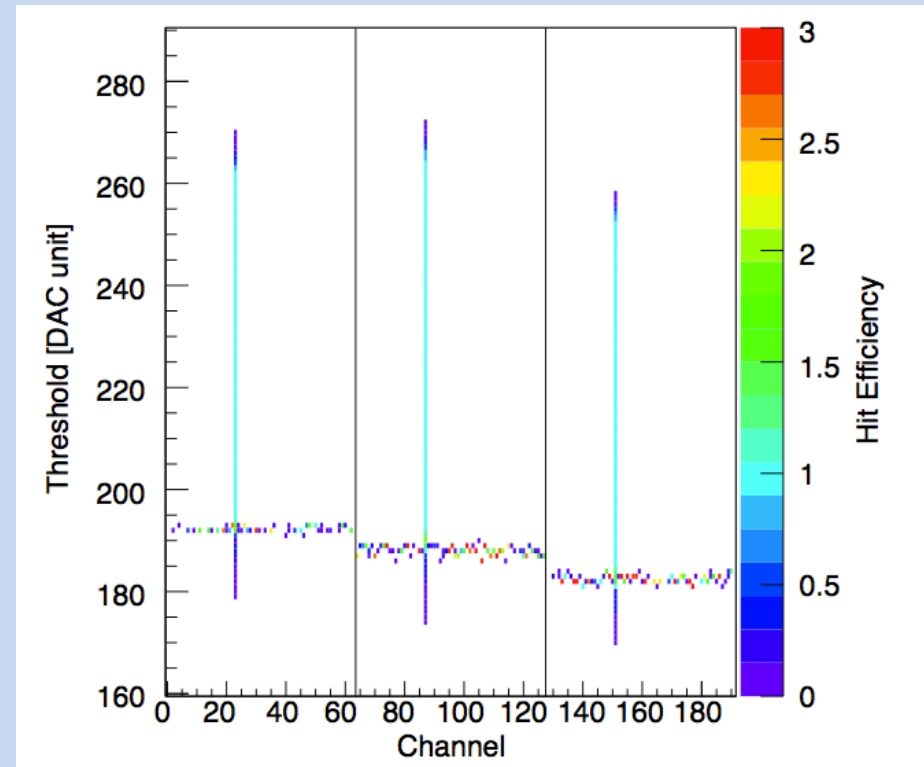
During Acceptance tests

Pedestal rms as seen by a test-point



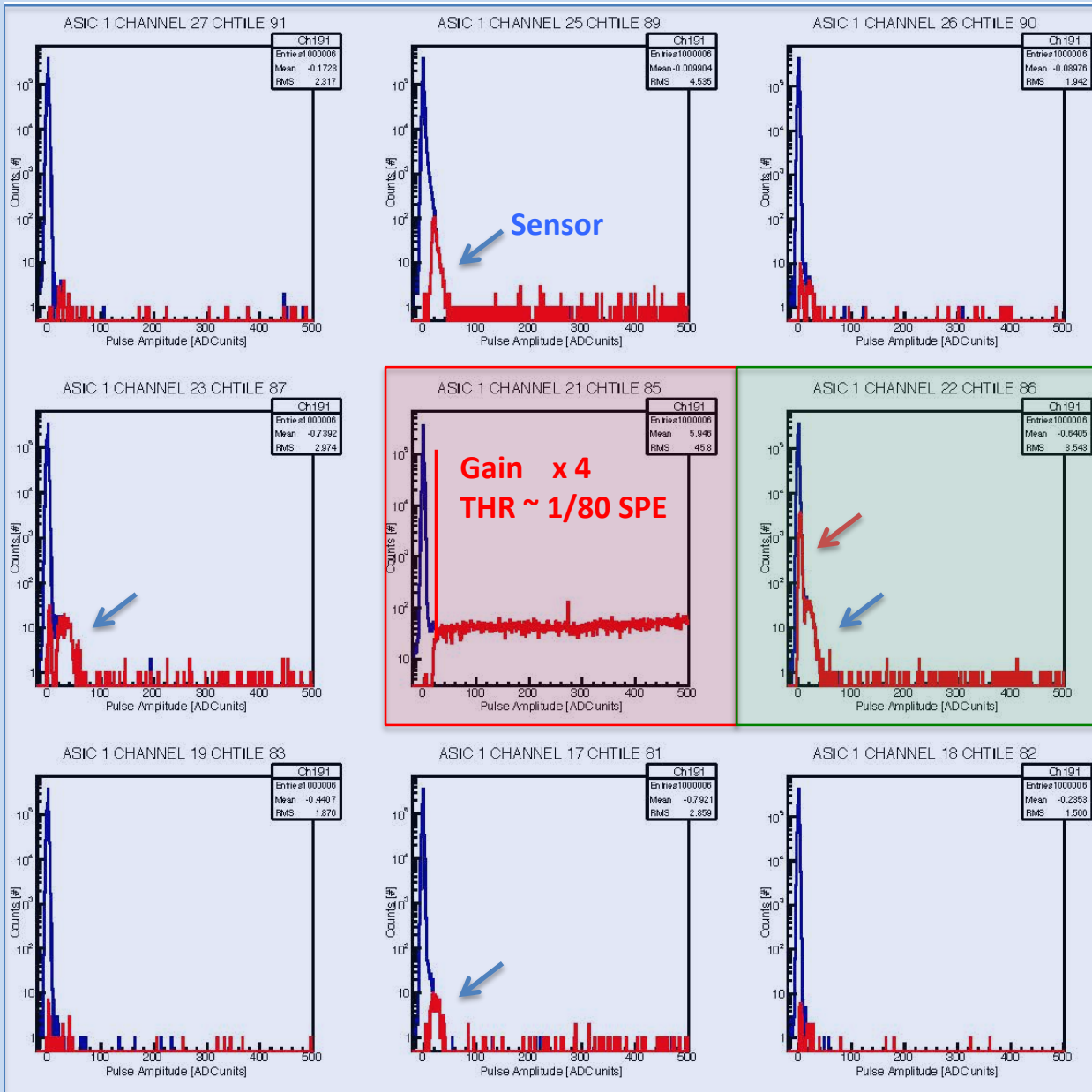
During Internal Pulser Calibration

As seen by RICH readout



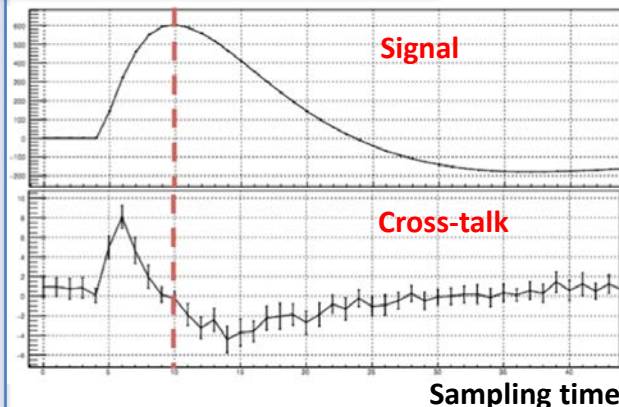
Discrimination down to 20 fC, i.e. few % of SPE, allows sensor characterization

# Optical and Electronic Cross-talk



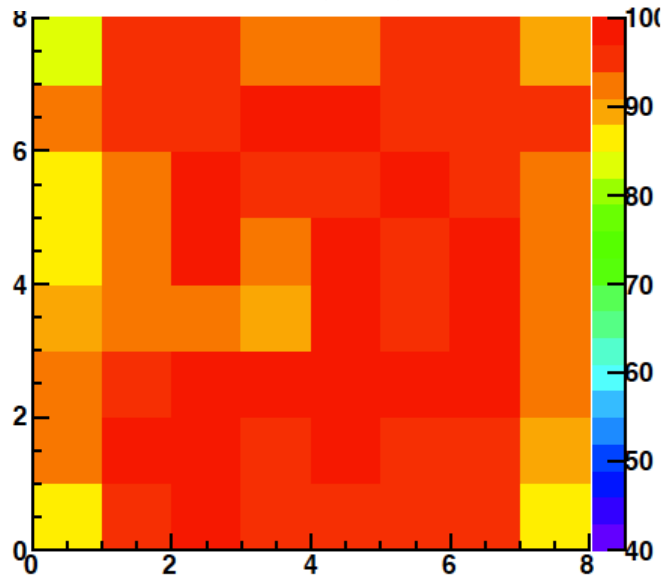
**GA0501**

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79	77	78	76	112	114	113	115
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67	65	66	64	124	126	125	127

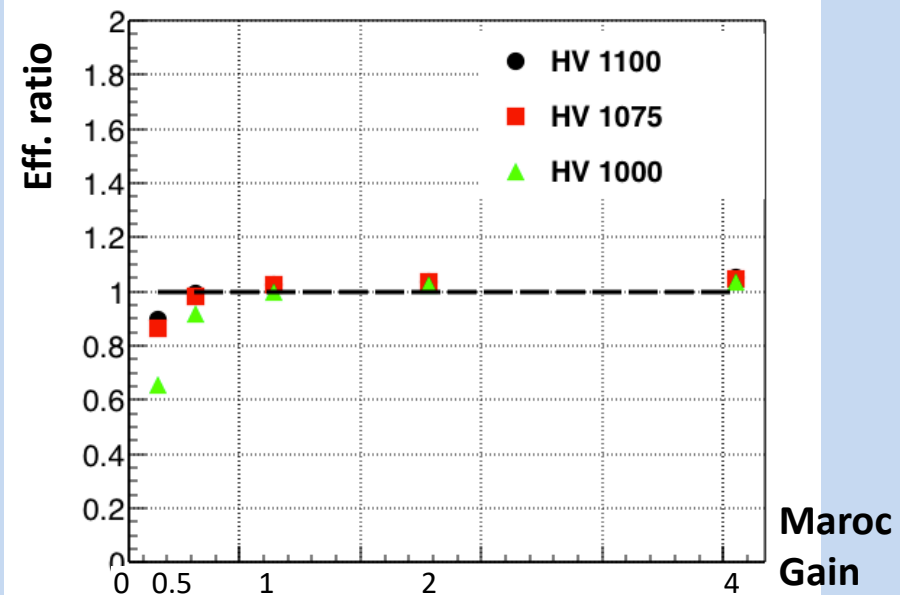
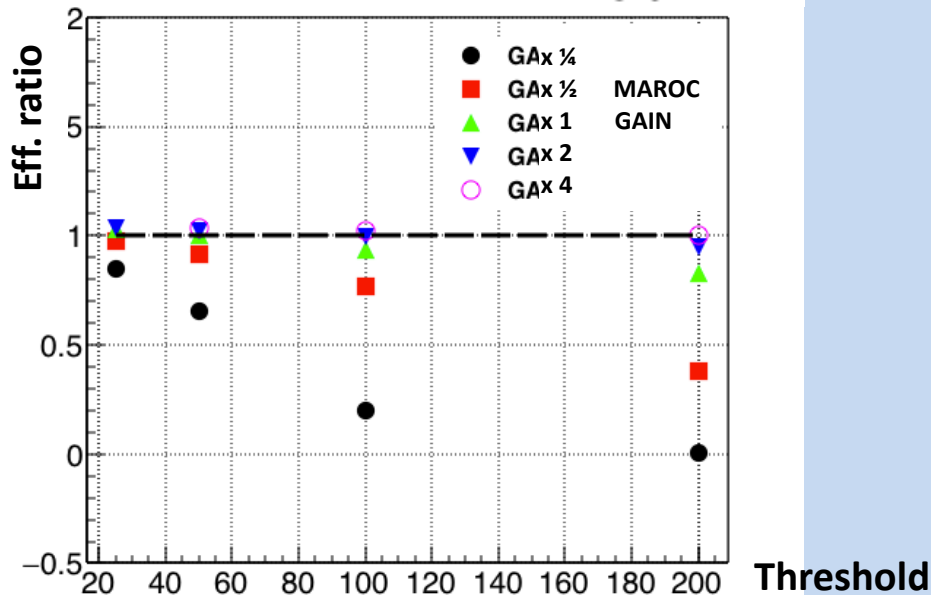
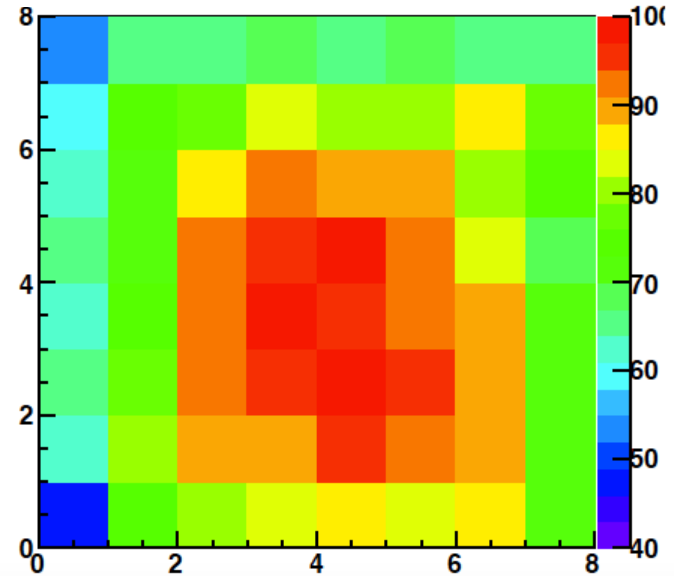


# Single-photon Discrimination

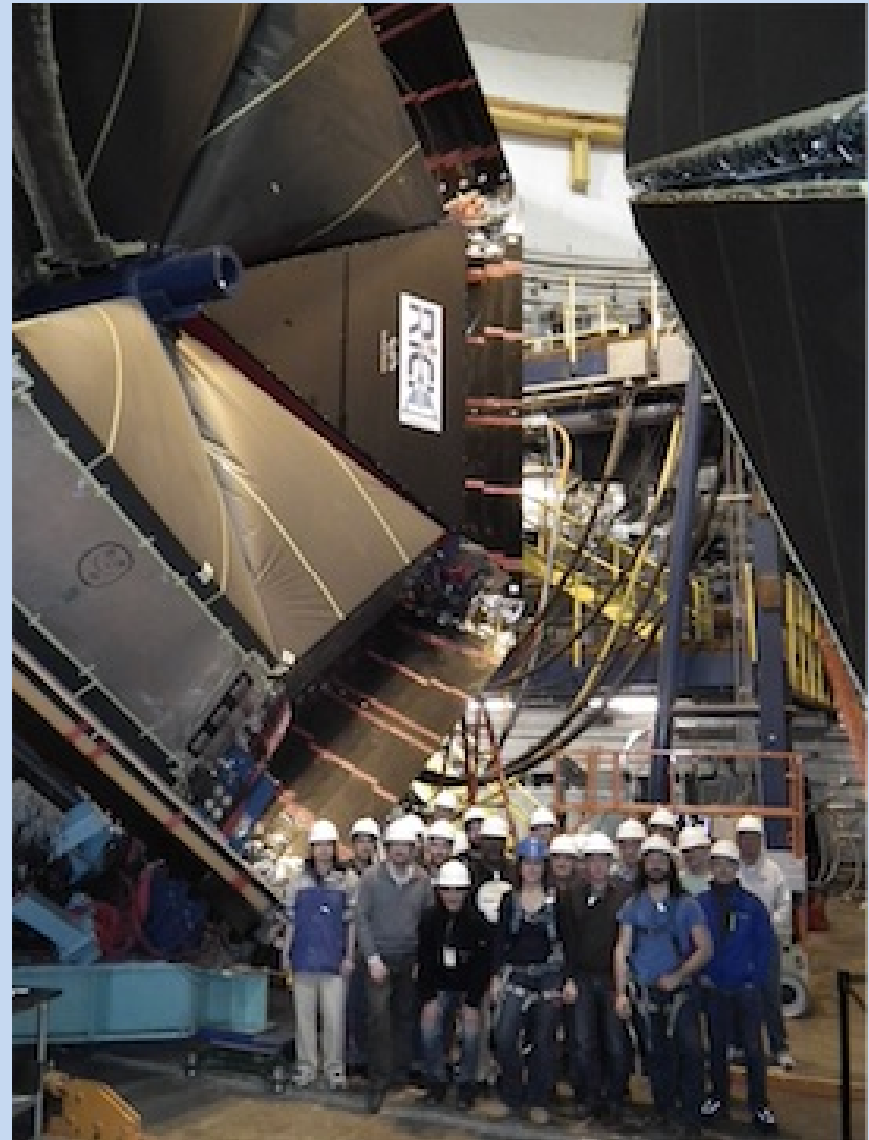
Relative efficiency map



Relative gain map

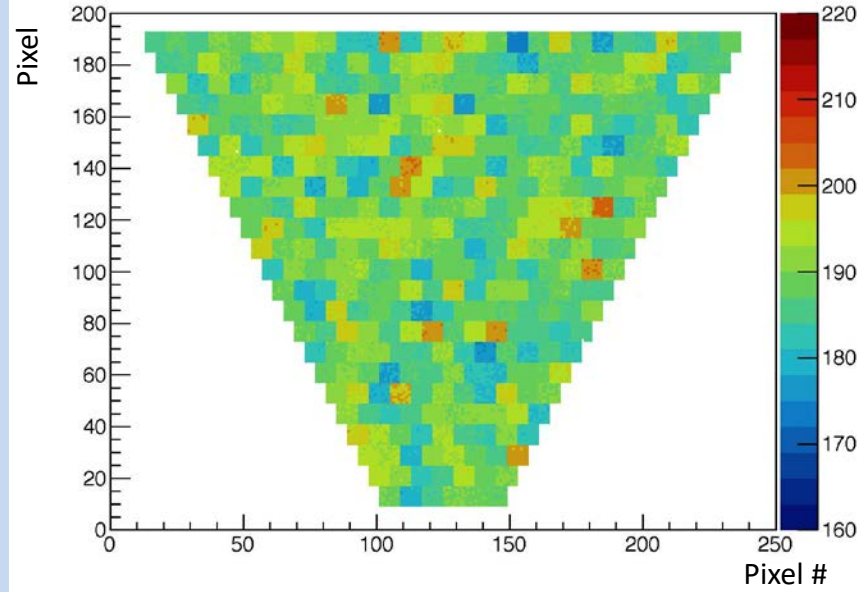


# RICH Installation

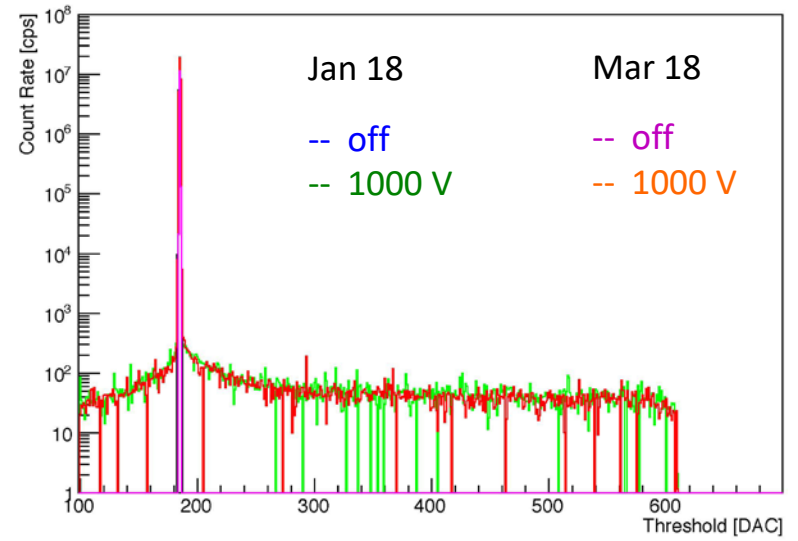


# Electronic Pedestals

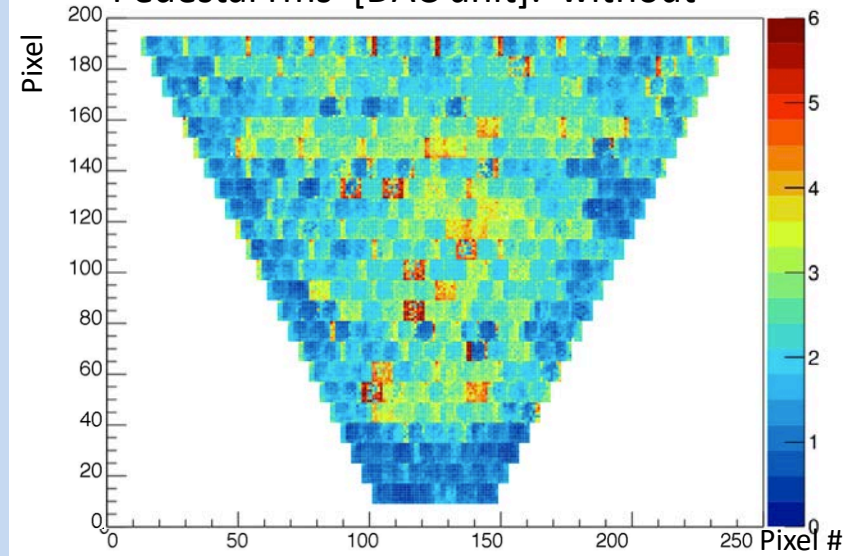
PEDESTAL [DAC unit]



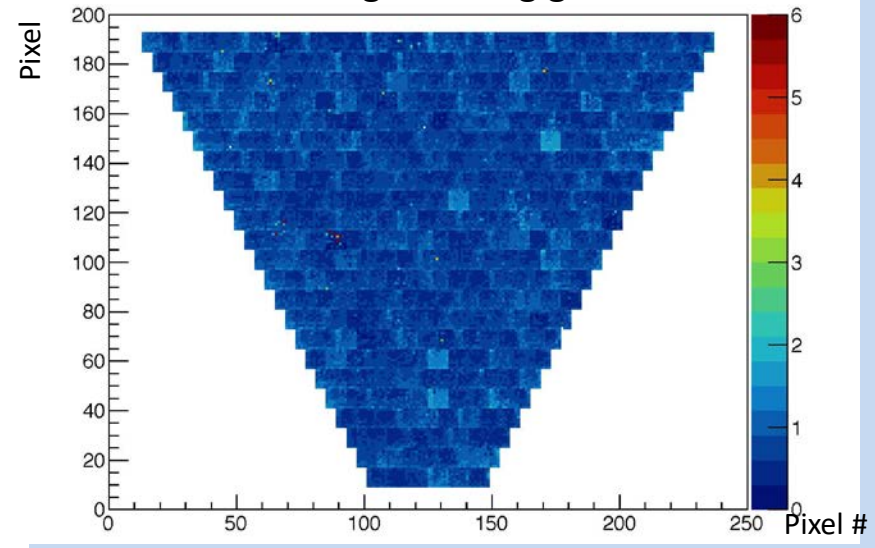
Slot 3 Fiber 0 Asic 0 Channel 58 PMT 4 Pixel 54



Pedestal rms [DAC unit]: without



and with grounding grid

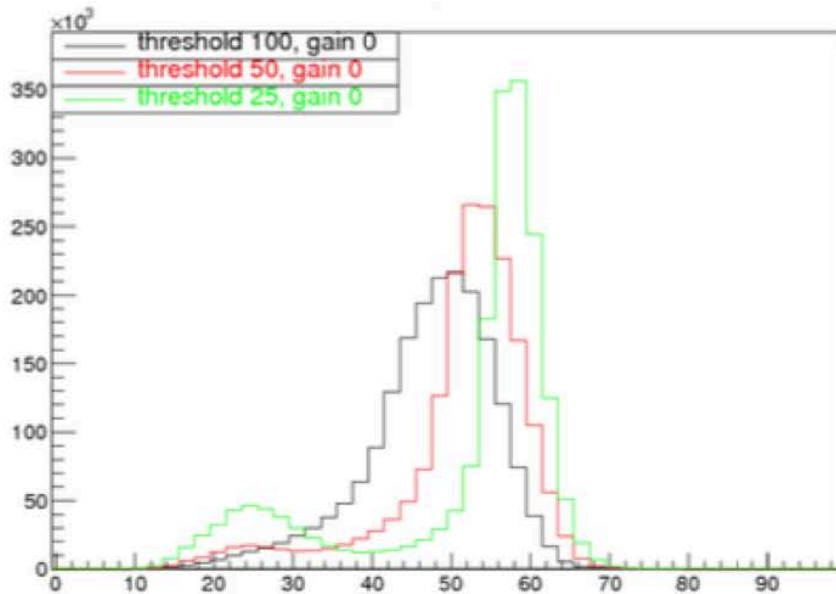




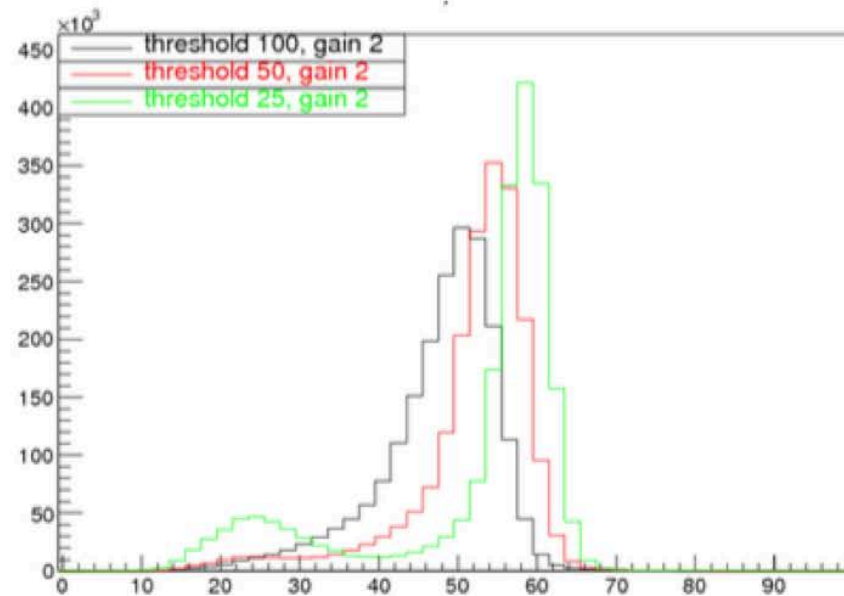
# Online Equalization

After equalization: distributions narrower and less sensitive to the common threshold saturate signals and cross-talk well separate

## Before equalization



## After equalization

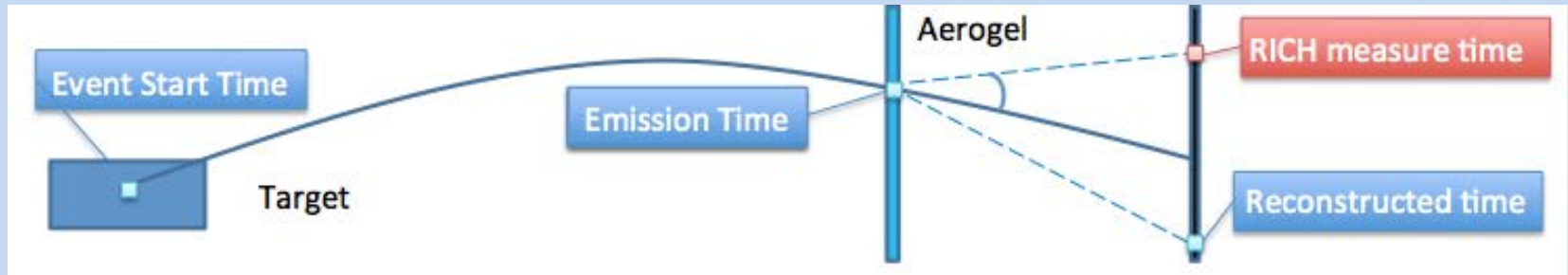


**black: high threshold**

**red: intermediate threshold**

**green: low threshold**

# Single Photon Time Analysis



## CLAS12 Reconstructed Time and Position:

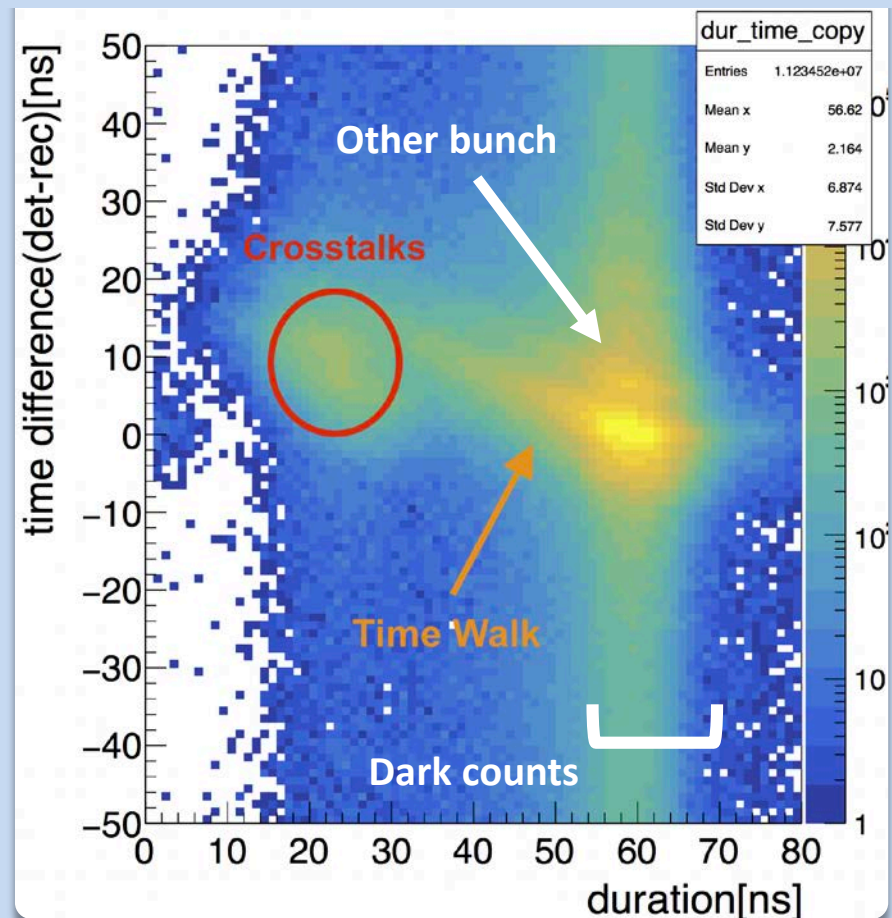
Photons are traced using information from other CLAS12 detectors

## RICH Measured Time and Position:

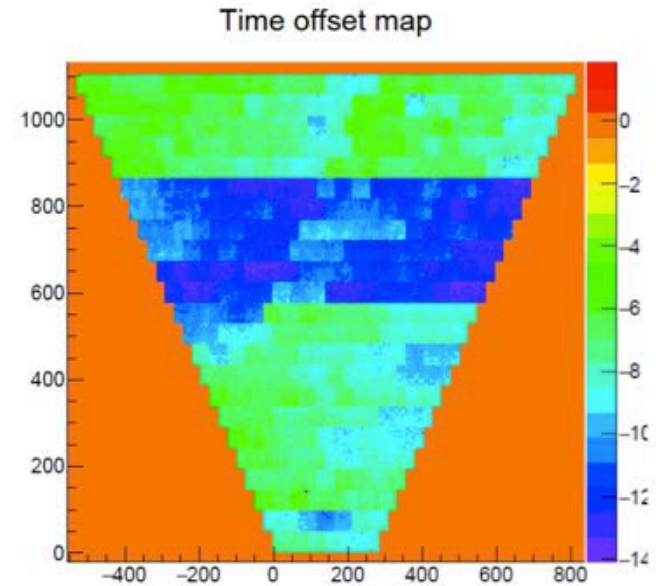
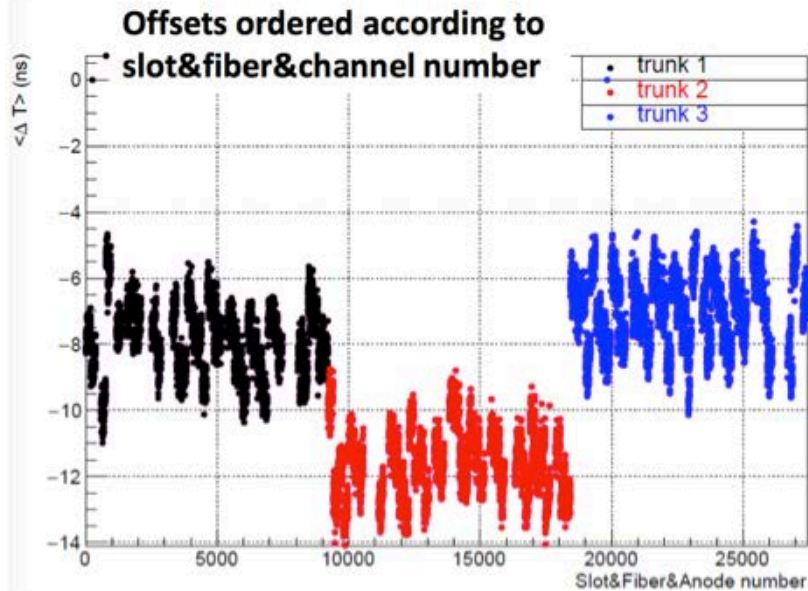
Defined by the RICH DAQ

Good photons should match in time and space

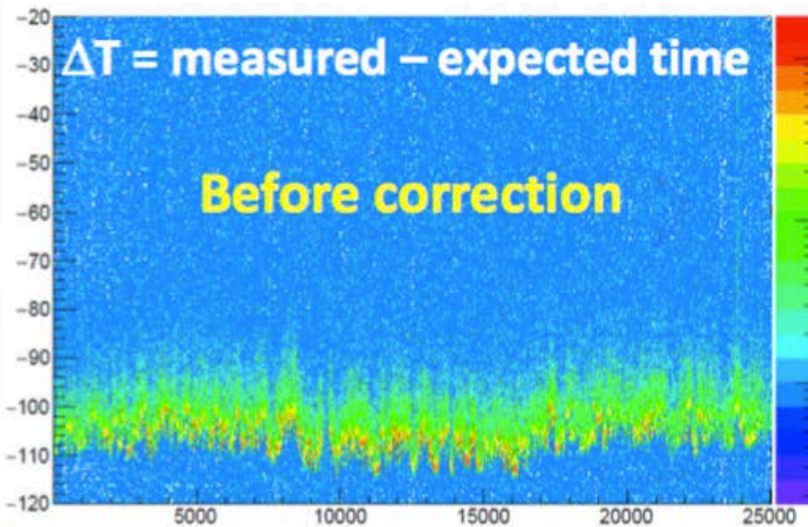
Time analysis allows to separate spurious signals



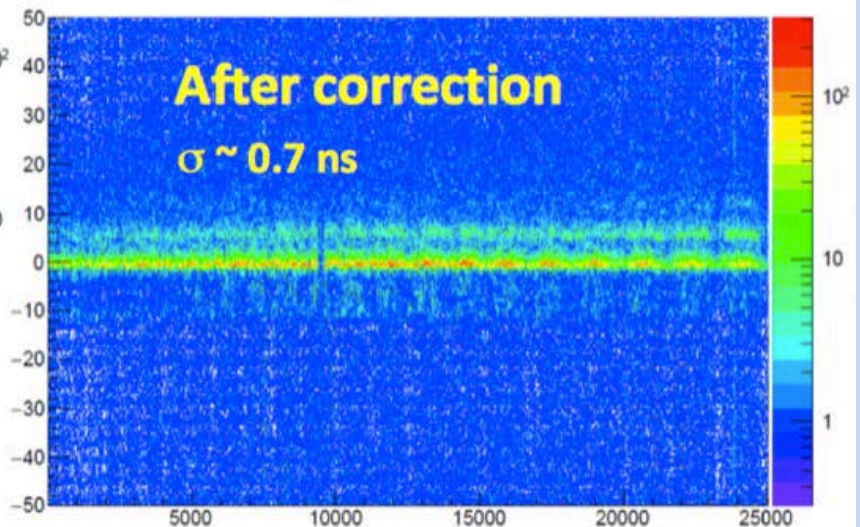
# Time Offsets



$\Delta T$  vs channel

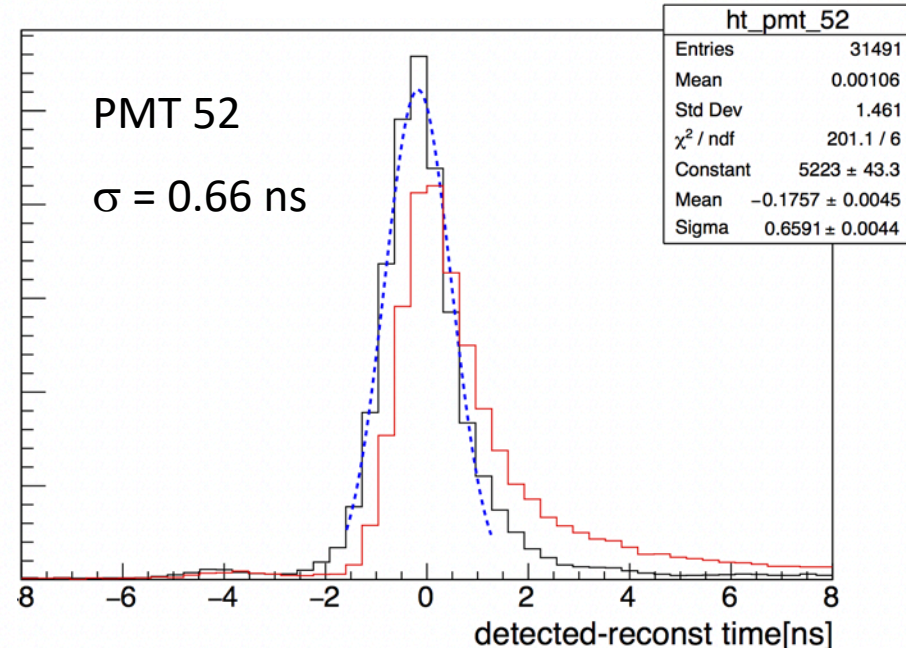
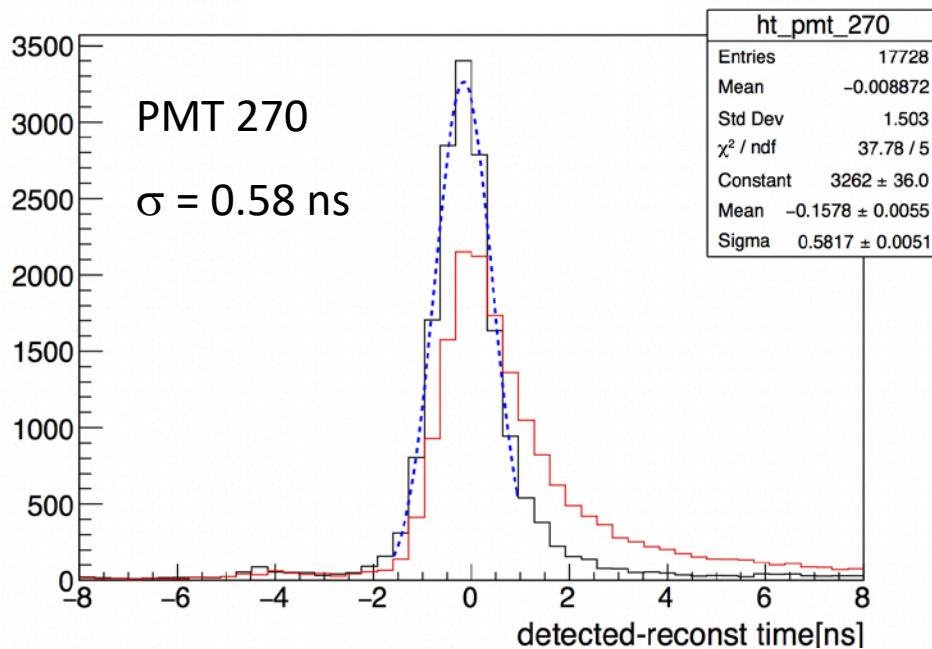


$\Delta T_{\text{corr}}$  vs channel



# Single-photon Time Resolution

Single-photon time resolution better than the 1 ns specification

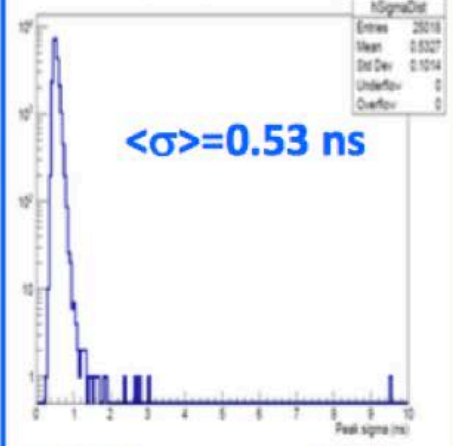
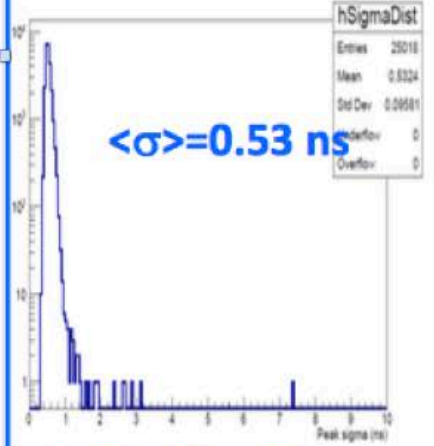
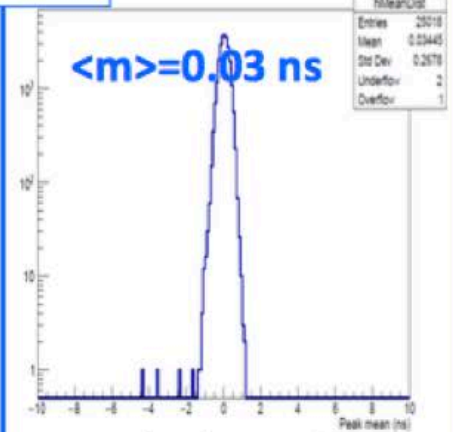
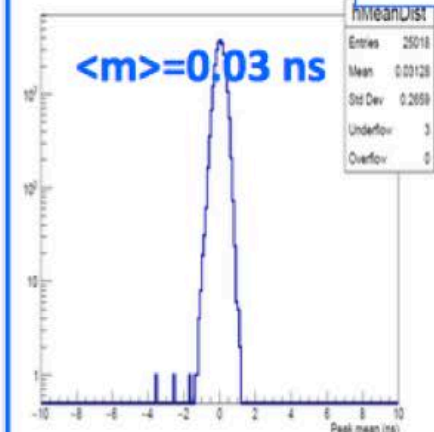


— before time-walk correction

— after time-walk correction

# Time Calibration

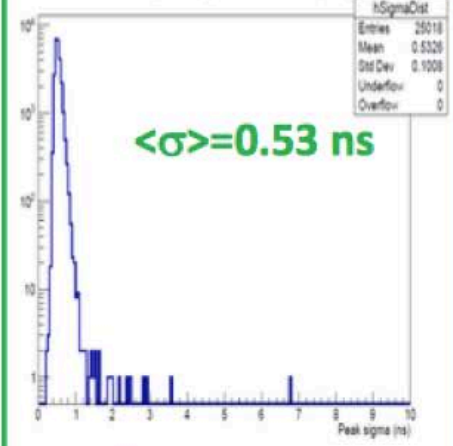
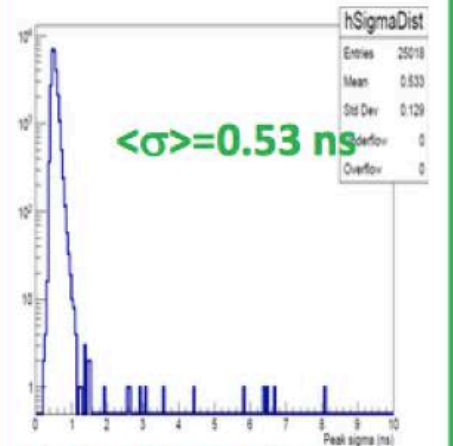
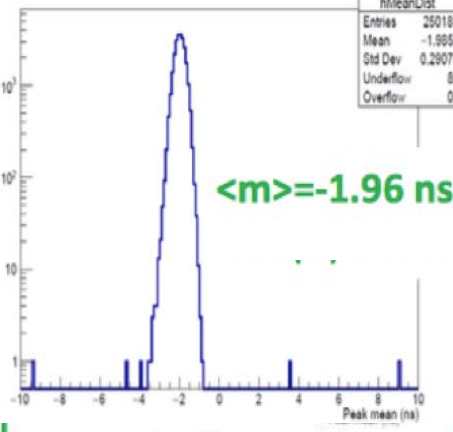
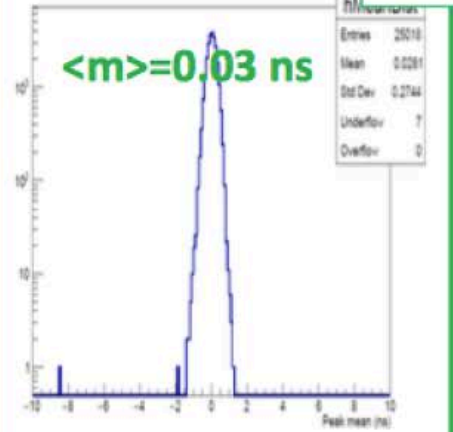
Run 6288



Full calibration

TW from run 6233

Run 6489



full calibration

TW from run 6233

# Cherenkov Angle Reconstruction

**Analytic solution** for direct photons

“Exact” solution for the Cherenkov Angle

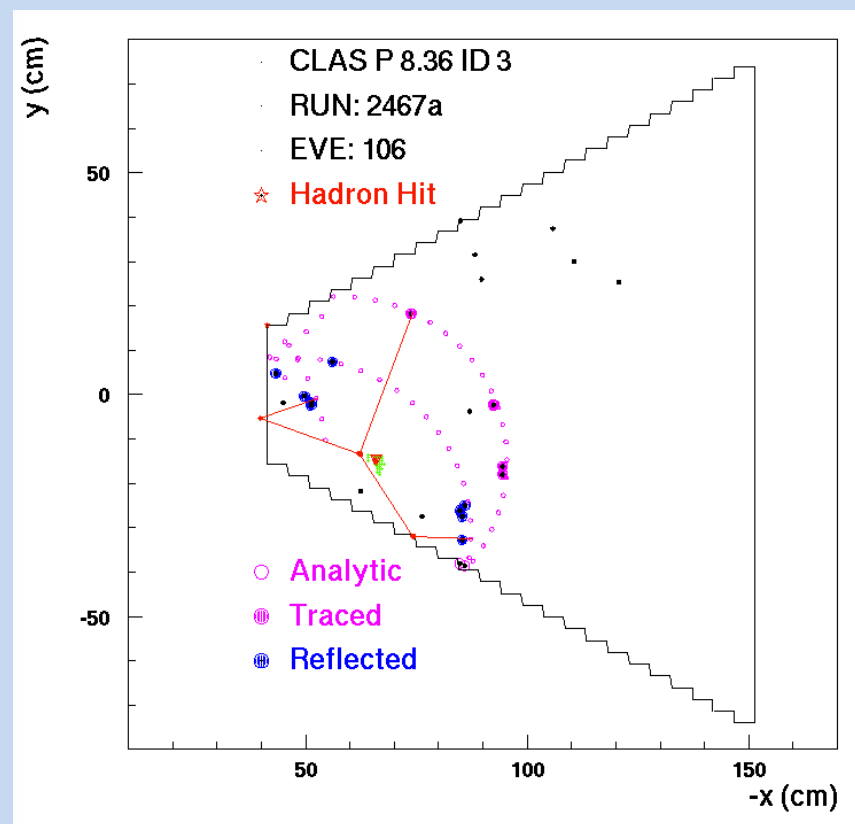
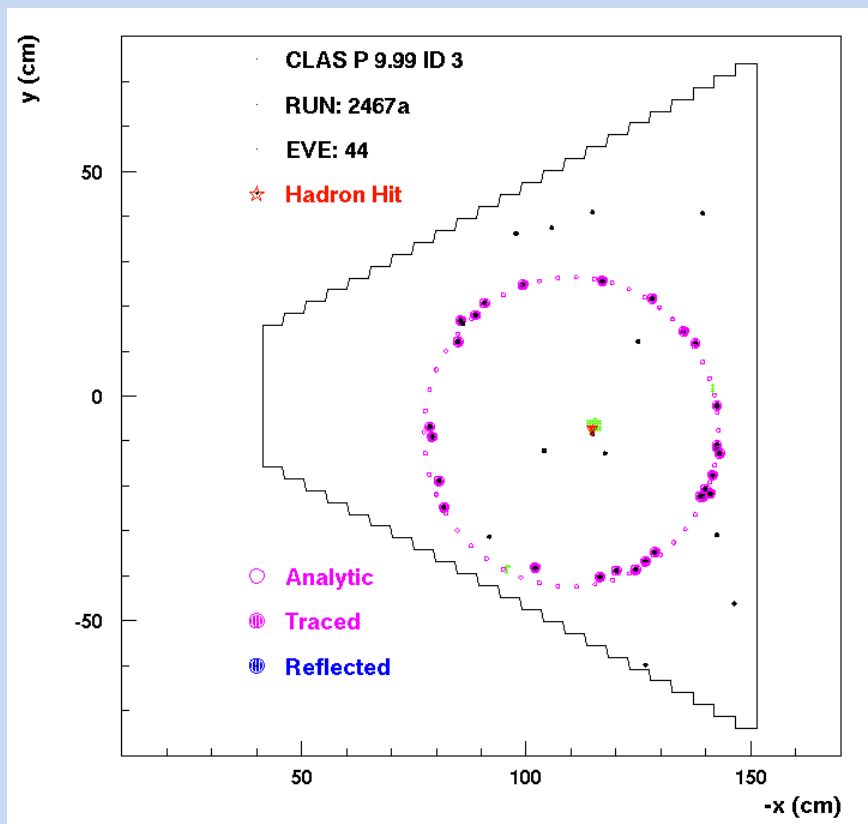
Only direct photons

**Ray traced solution** for direct photons

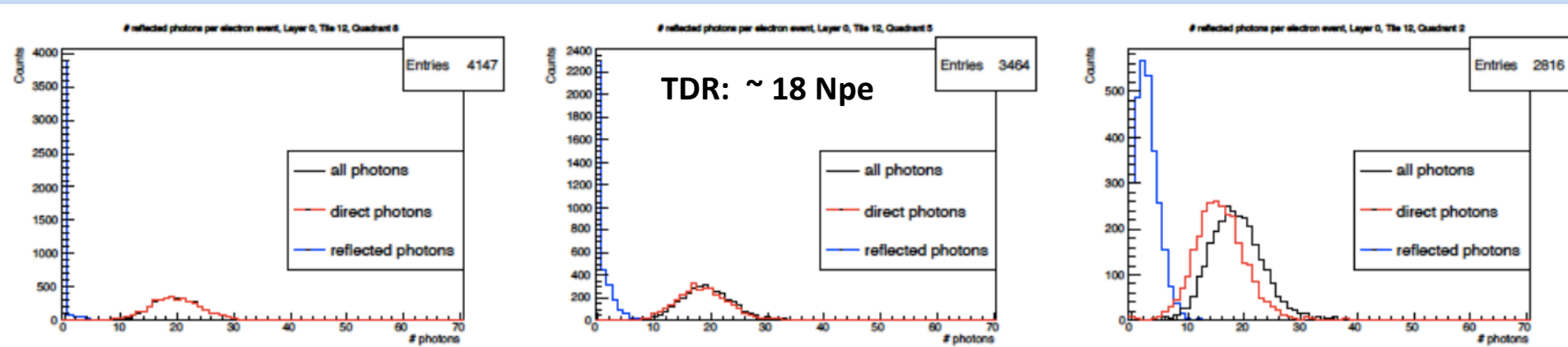
Assume knowledge of aerogel ref index

Any photon

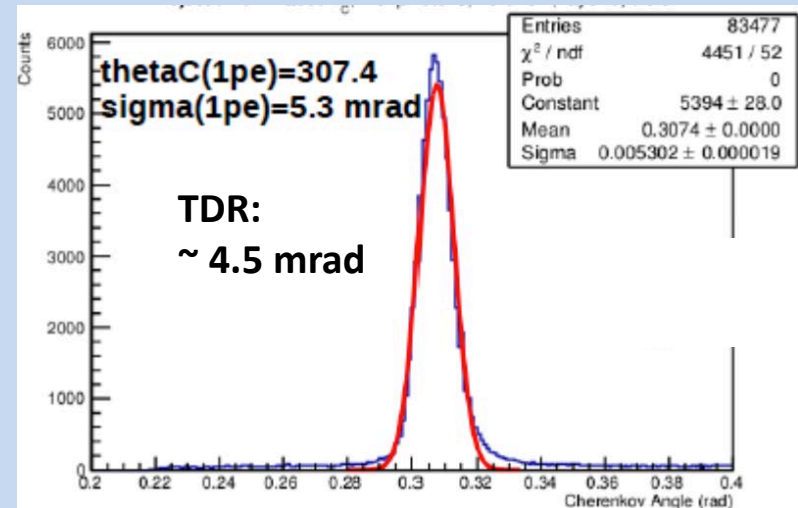
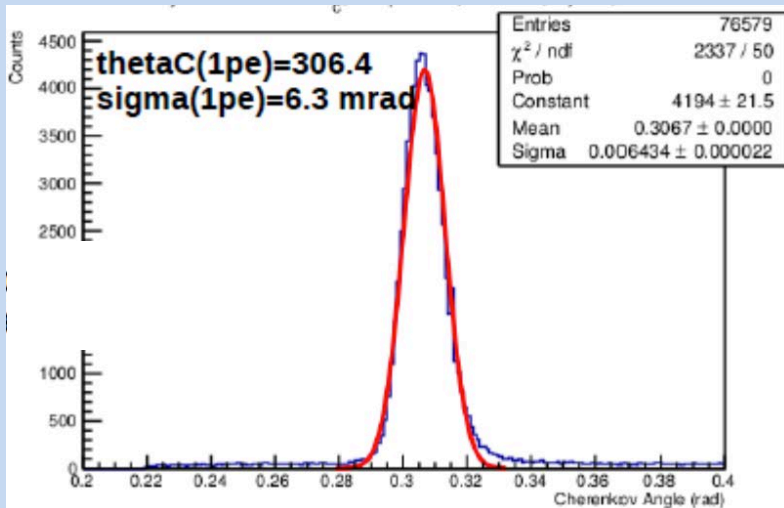
**GOAL:** get a Cherenkov angle estimate for each photon for detailed PID optimization



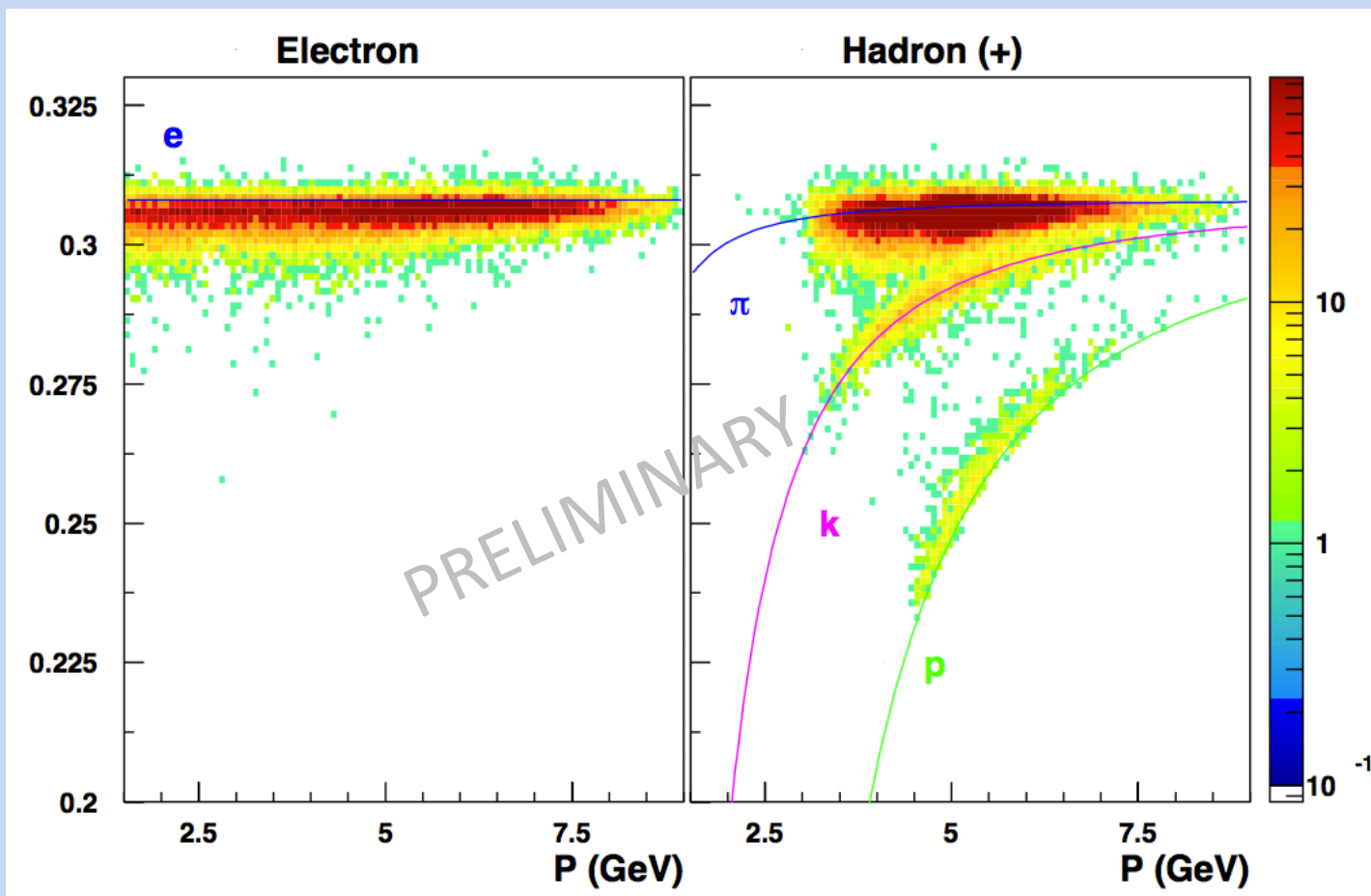
RGA data, direct photons    No alignment of internal components  
 Number of photons and single photon resolution close to TDR



Raw RICH alignment (not for internal components)

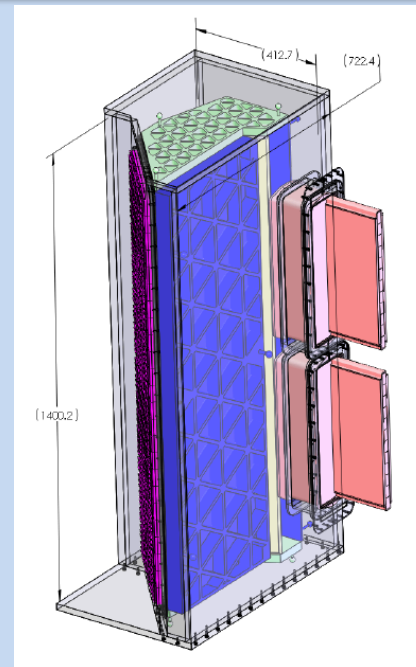
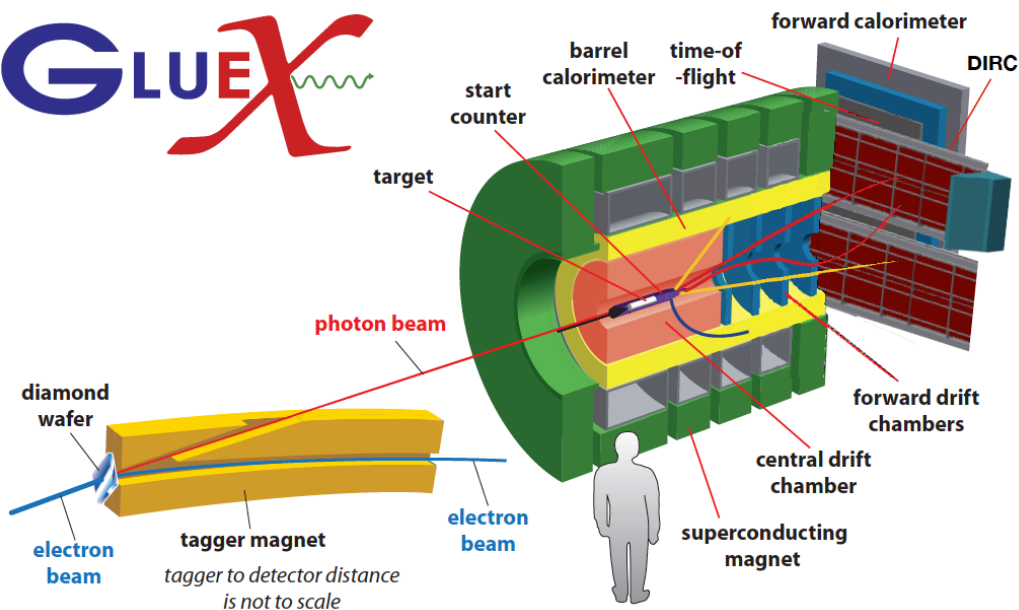


## Hadron separation, direct photon, RGA data, raw alignment



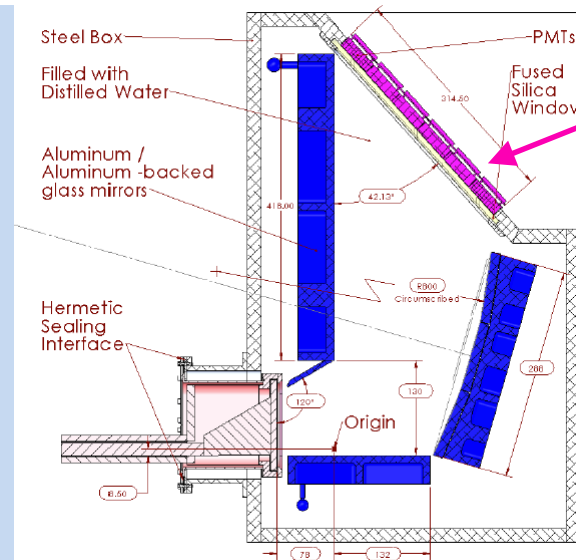
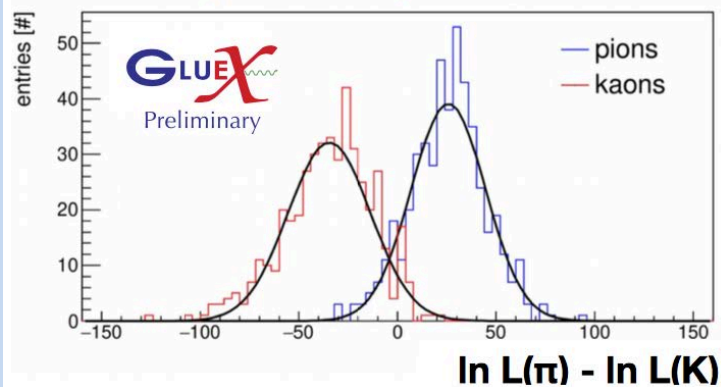


# DIRC @ GlueX



J. Stevens @ DIRC19

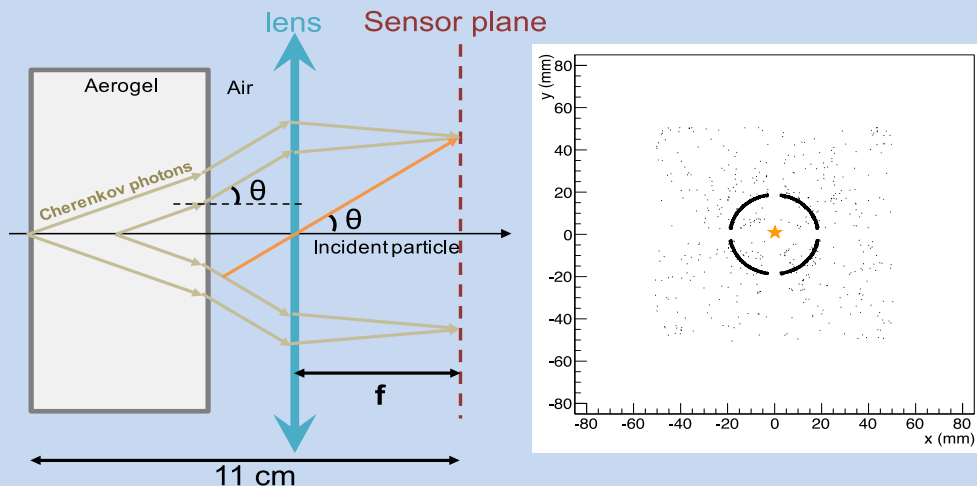
## $\pi/K$ separation power @ 3 GeV



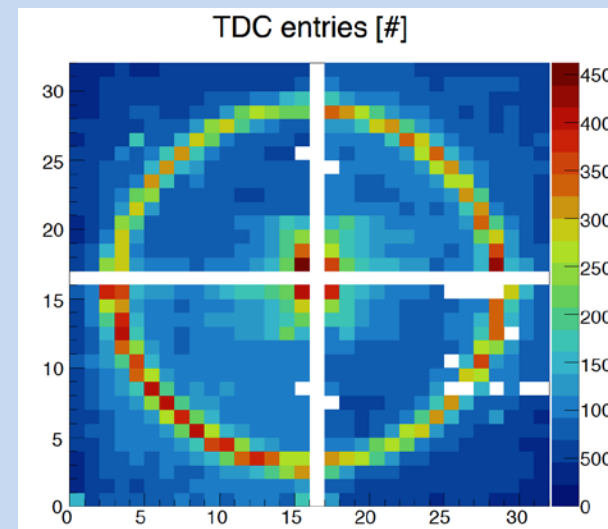
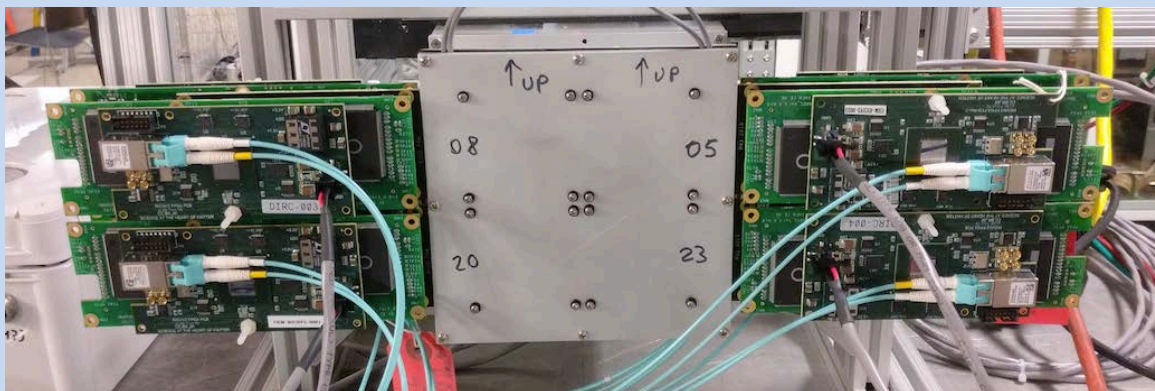
H12700 + CLAS12 readout

# Application: Modular RICH @EIC

Compact and modular RICH independent elements



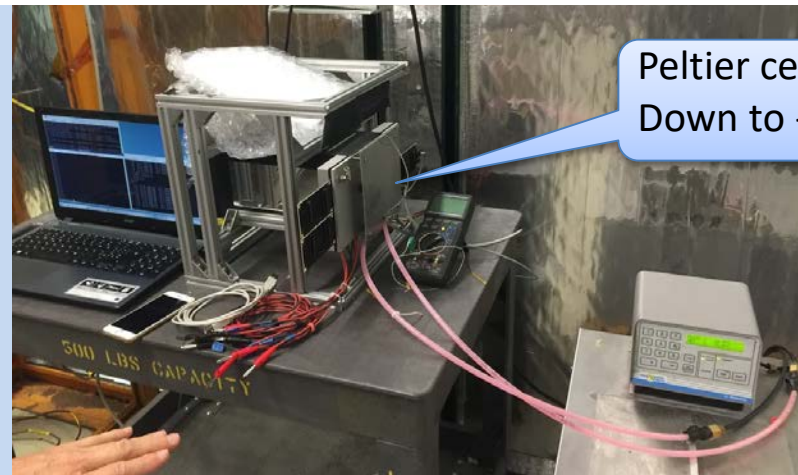
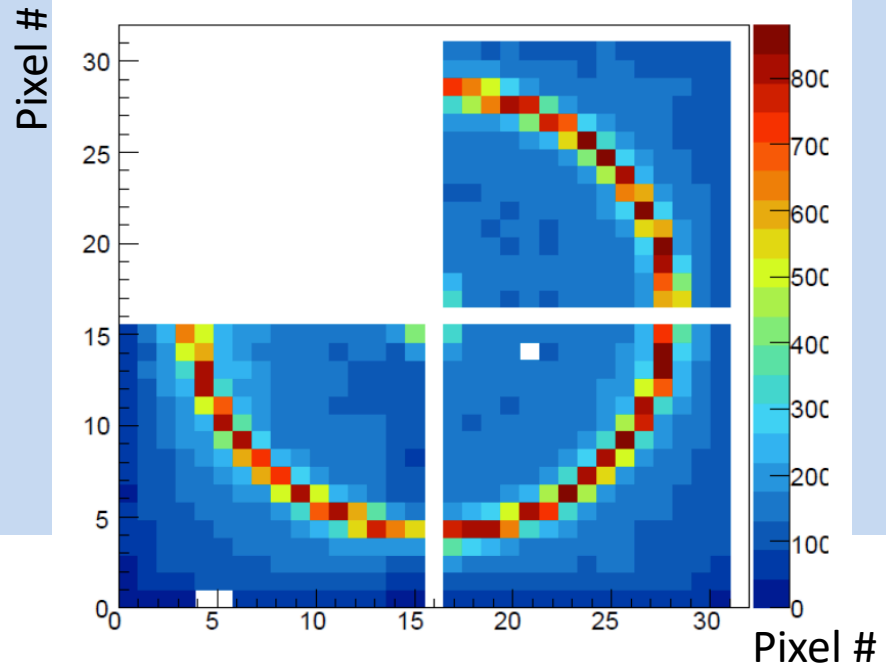
H13700 to reach the 3 mm spatial resolution



# Application: SiPM Arrays



## Test of SiPM with RICH electronics



# Conclusions

CLAS12 RICH designed to provide hadron identification in the 3 to 8 GeV/c momentum range  
A hybrid-optic design has been adopted to minimize the instrumented area to about 1 m<sup>2</sup>

RICH has successfully taken data, performance moving towards specifications

The readout electronics is designed to offer

Discrimination down to few % of SPE

Time resolution of 1 ns

Negligible dead time at 30 KHz

Trigger latency up to 8  $\mu$ s

Featuring:

Compatibility with various sensors and applications

Modular Front-End (Mechanical adapter, ASIC, FPGA)

Scalable fiber optic DAQ (TCP/IP or SSP)

Compact and tessellated geometry (common HV, LV and optical fiber)

Flexible trigger logic (external, auto, self)

Charge measurement (multiplexed ADC or time-over-threshold)

Multi purpose electronics: in use also for GlueX DIRC and EIC R&D