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Status of the CEPC GS-HCAL

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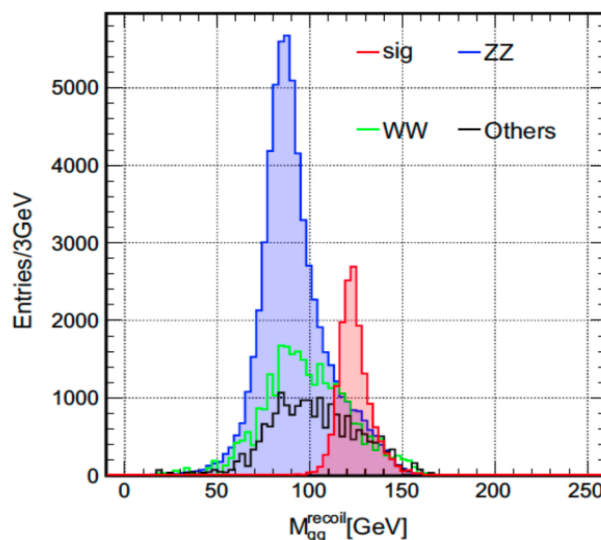
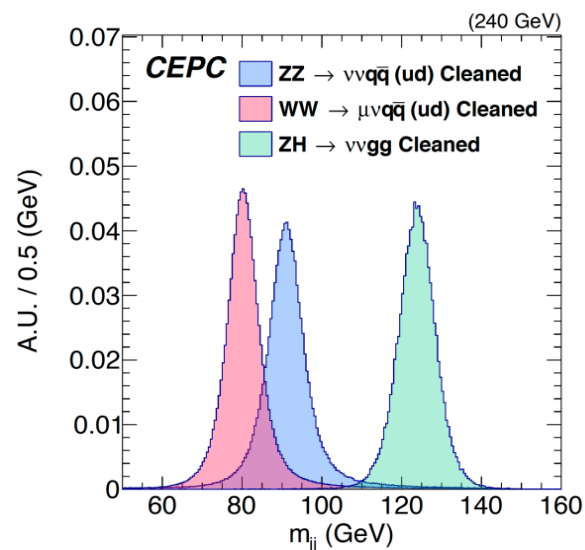
Physics Requirements of HCAL

CEPC HCAL Design requirements:

❖ Jet Energy Resolution $\Delta E/E < 30\%/\sqrt{E}$ GeV

❖ Boson Mass Resolution (BMR) < 4% :

it is strongly motivated by H/W/Z hadronic final states,
BSM & Flavor Physics



CDR baseline ([arXiv:1811.10545](https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.10545)): BMR = 3.75%

Leading contributions to BMR:

- HCAL resolution dominant the uncertainties from intrinsic detector resolution: **~19.7%**
- **Further improvement of HCAL is needed**

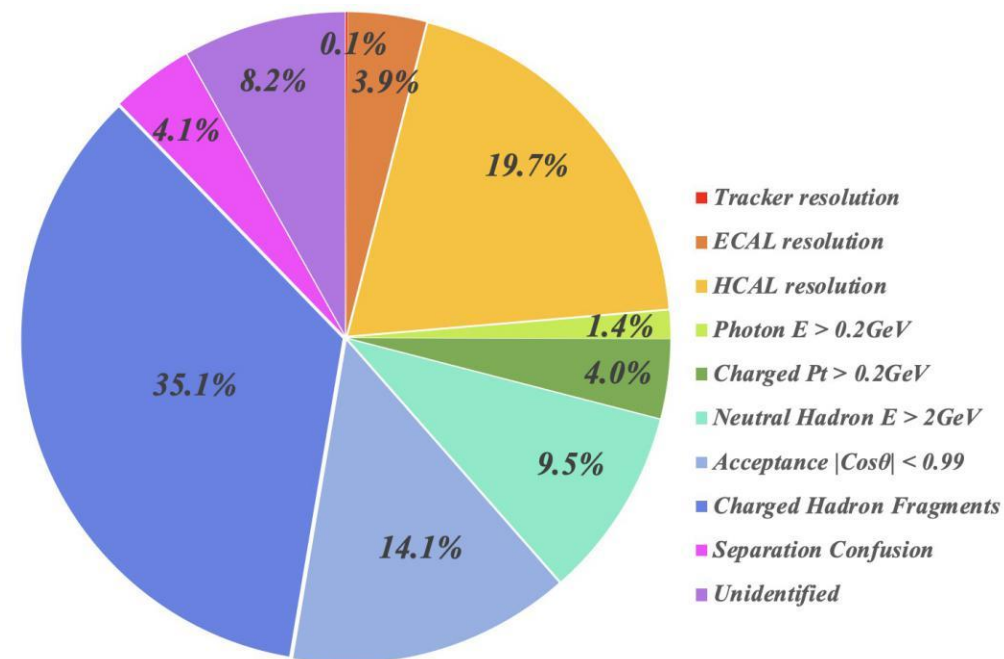
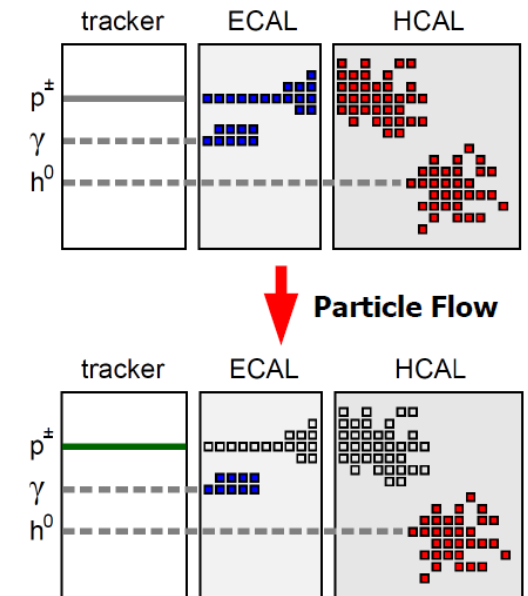
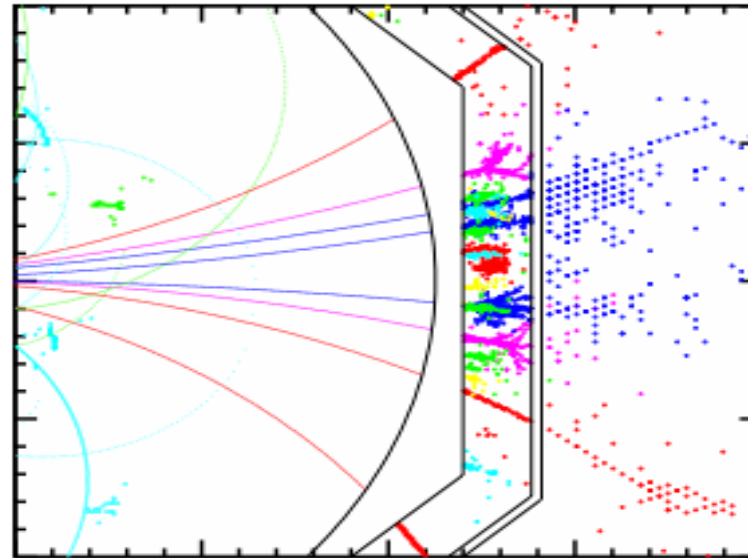
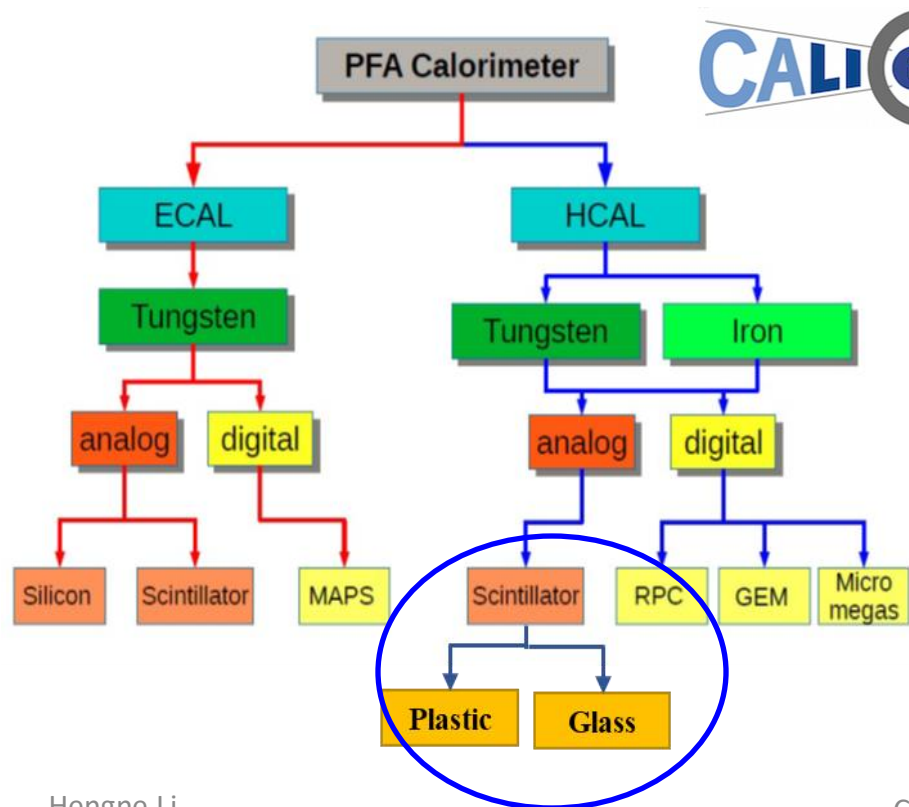


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Technology Survey

■ PFA calorimetry: extensively explored within the CALICE collab.

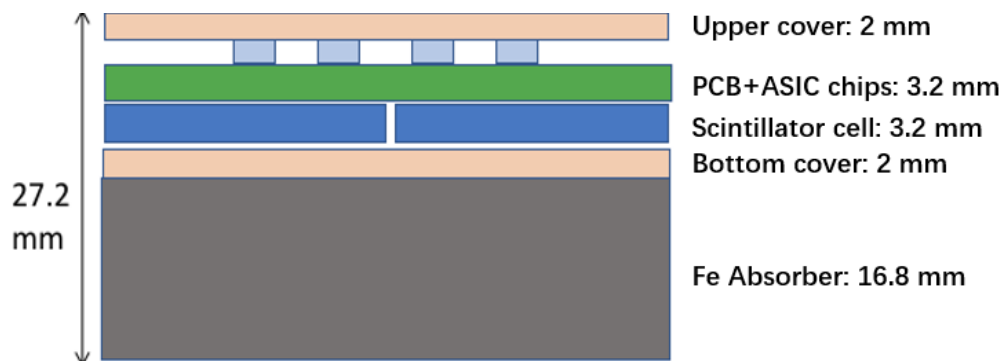
- RPC-DHCAL (SDHCAL): 48-layer prototype
- Plastic Scintillator-AHCAL (PS-HCAL): 40-layer prototype
- Glass Scintillator-AHCAL (GS-HCAL): new design and baseline



Glass Scintillator HCAL

- **Basic idea:** to increase sampling fraction for better energy resolution
- With **high density and thick GS cell design**, the sampling fraction of GS-HCAL can be increased by **a factor of ~20** compared to that of PS-HCAL

PS-HCAL



PS-HCAL

Fe: $20.8\text{mm}/171.5\text{mm}=0.1213 \lambda_I$

PS: $3\text{mm}/688.7\text{mm}=0.0044 \lambda_I$

PCB: $1.2\text{mm}/492.2\text{mm}=0.0024 \lambda_I$

Sampling fraction ~ 1.6% (π^- TB, MC)

GS-HCAL



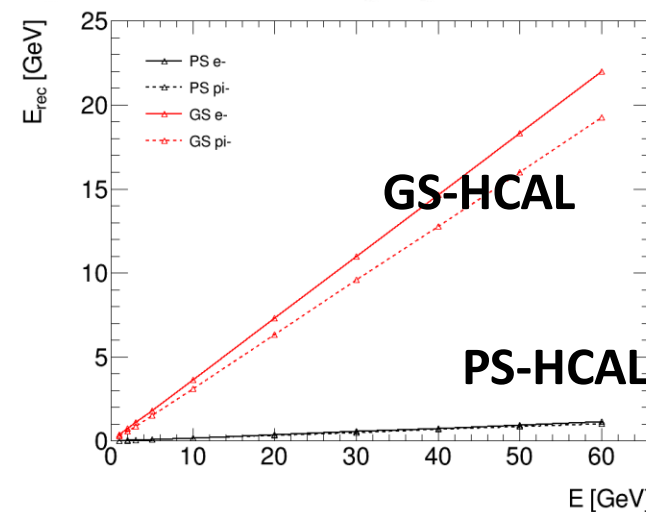
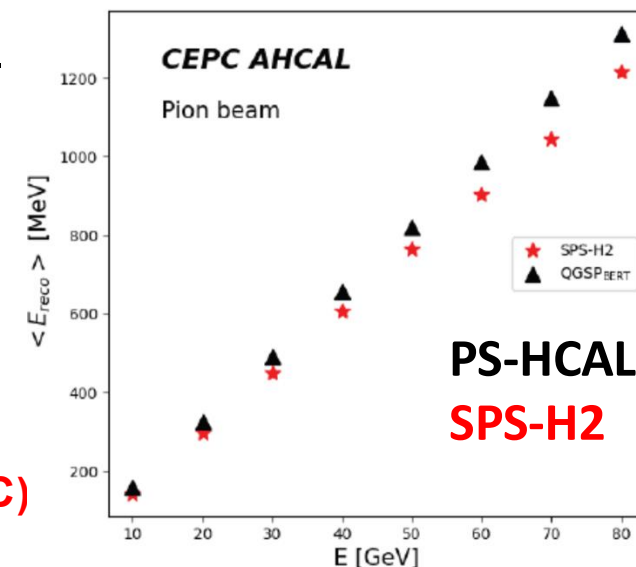
GS-HCAL

Fe: $13.8\text{mm}/171.5\text{mm}=0.0805 \lambda_I$

GS: $10.2\text{mm}/242.8\text{mm}=0.0425 \lambda_I$

PCB: $1.2\text{mm}/492.2\text{mm}=0.0024 \lambda_I$

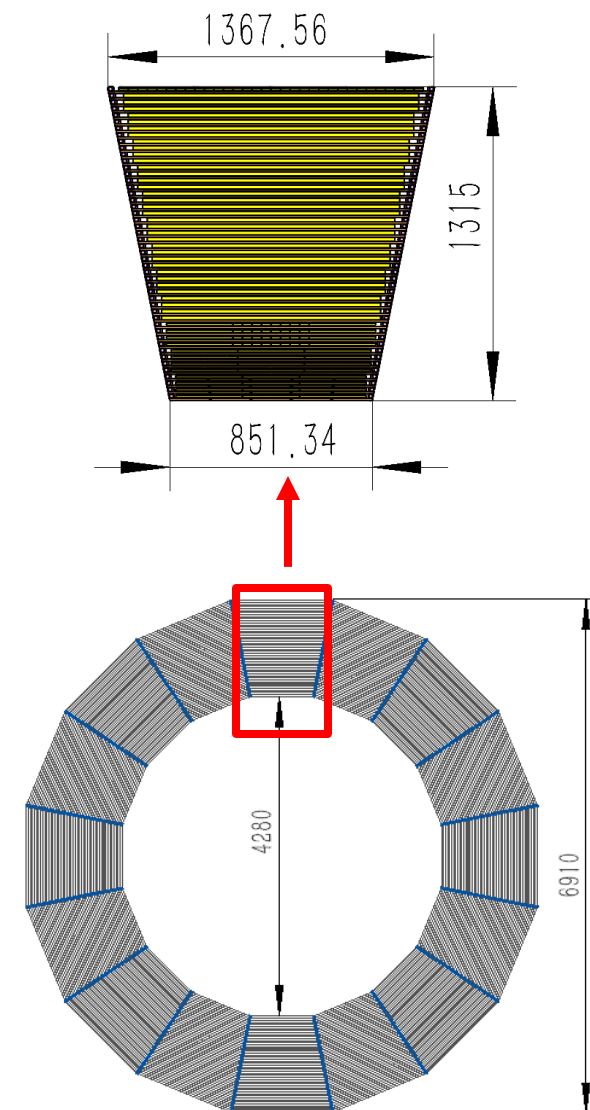
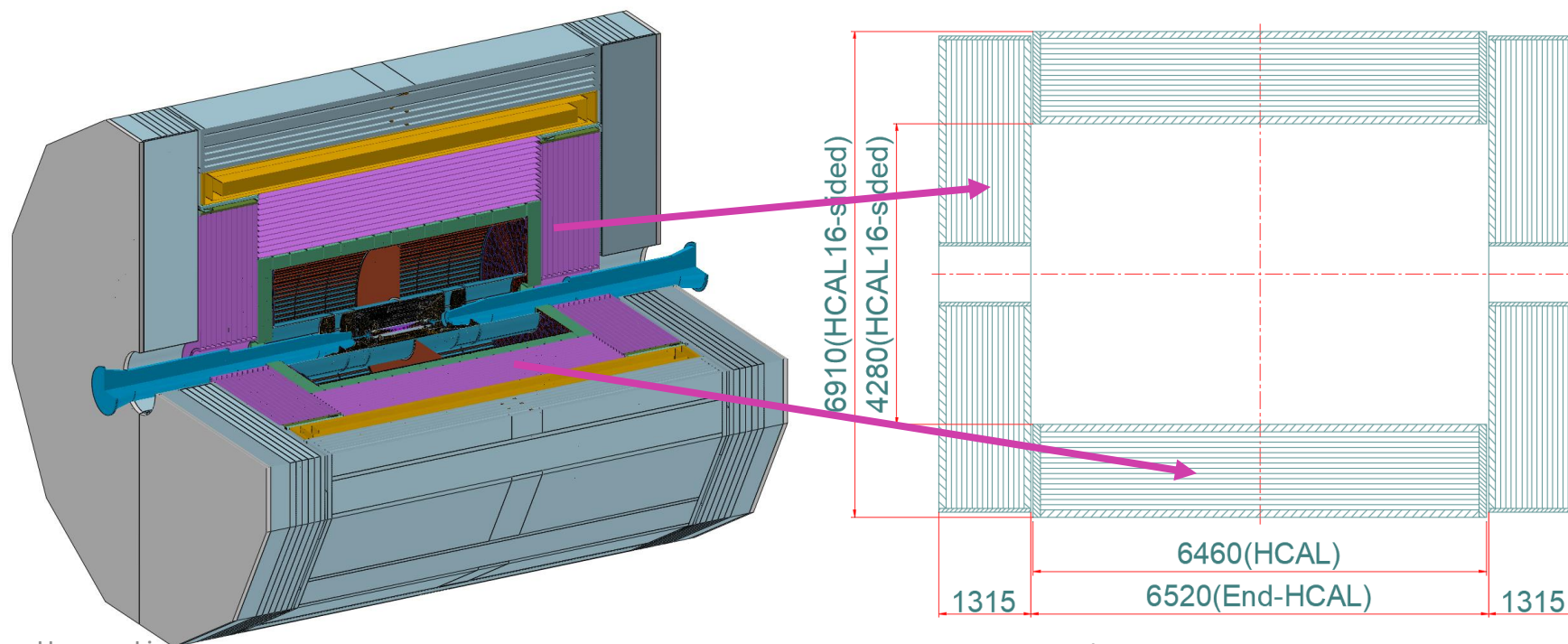
Sampling fraction ~ 31% (MC)



GS-HCAL Mechanical Design

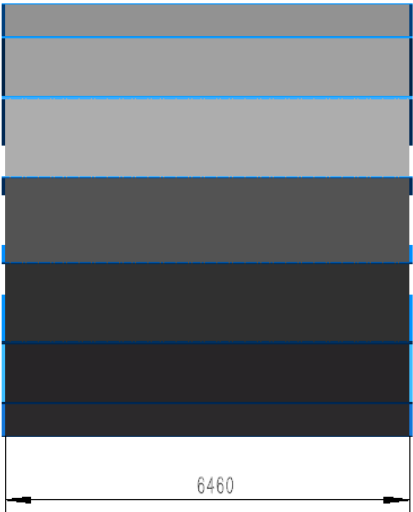
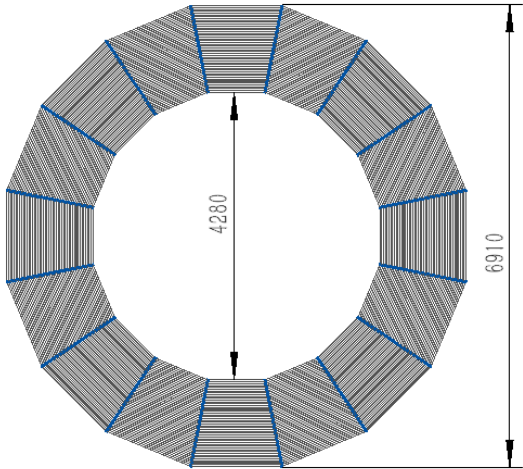
□ GS-HCAL: One Barrel (16 wedges) and Two Endcaps

- Thickness of the Barrel : 1315 mm
- Inner radius of the Barrel : 2140mm ($D_{in}=4280$ mm)
- Barrel Length along beam direction : 6460 mm
- Number of Layers : 48 ($6 \lambda_I$)



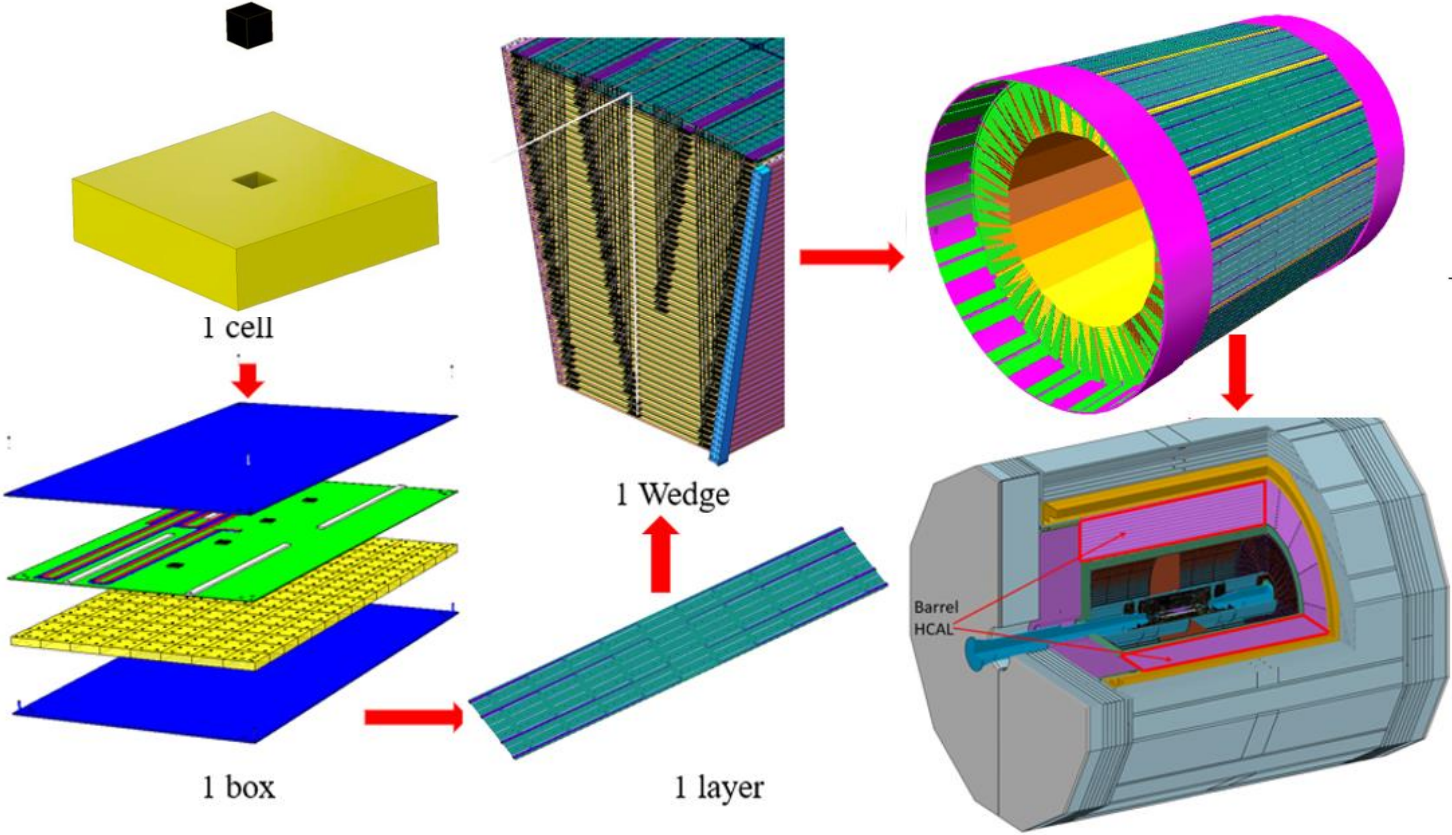
Barrel HCAL Mechanics

Main Structure

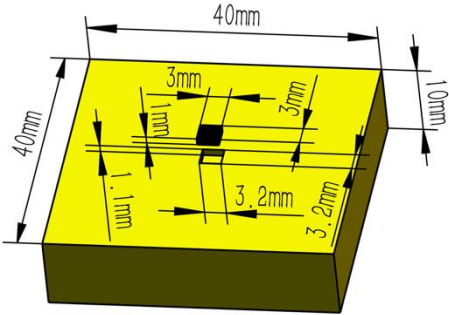


Length: 6460mm

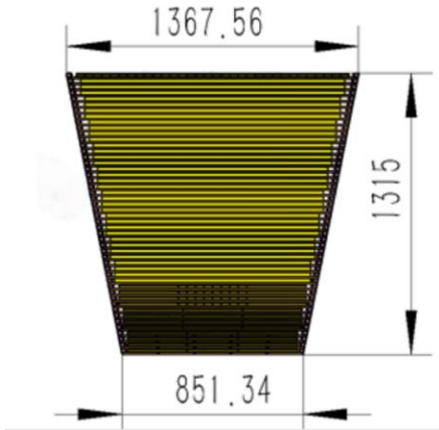
Integration of barrel HCAL structure



1 cell dimension



1 Wedge dimension

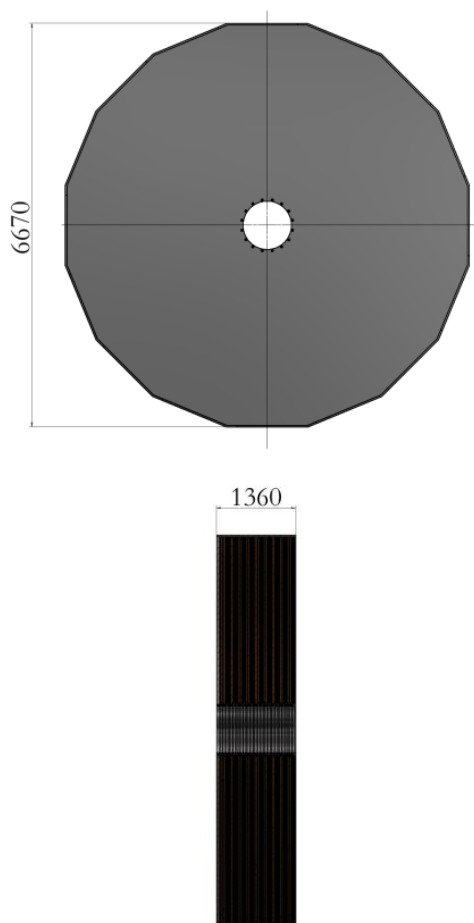


	Cell	Box	Layer	Wedge
Quantities	3212800	27840	48*16=768	16

Total weight: 955 tons

Endcap HCAL Mechanics

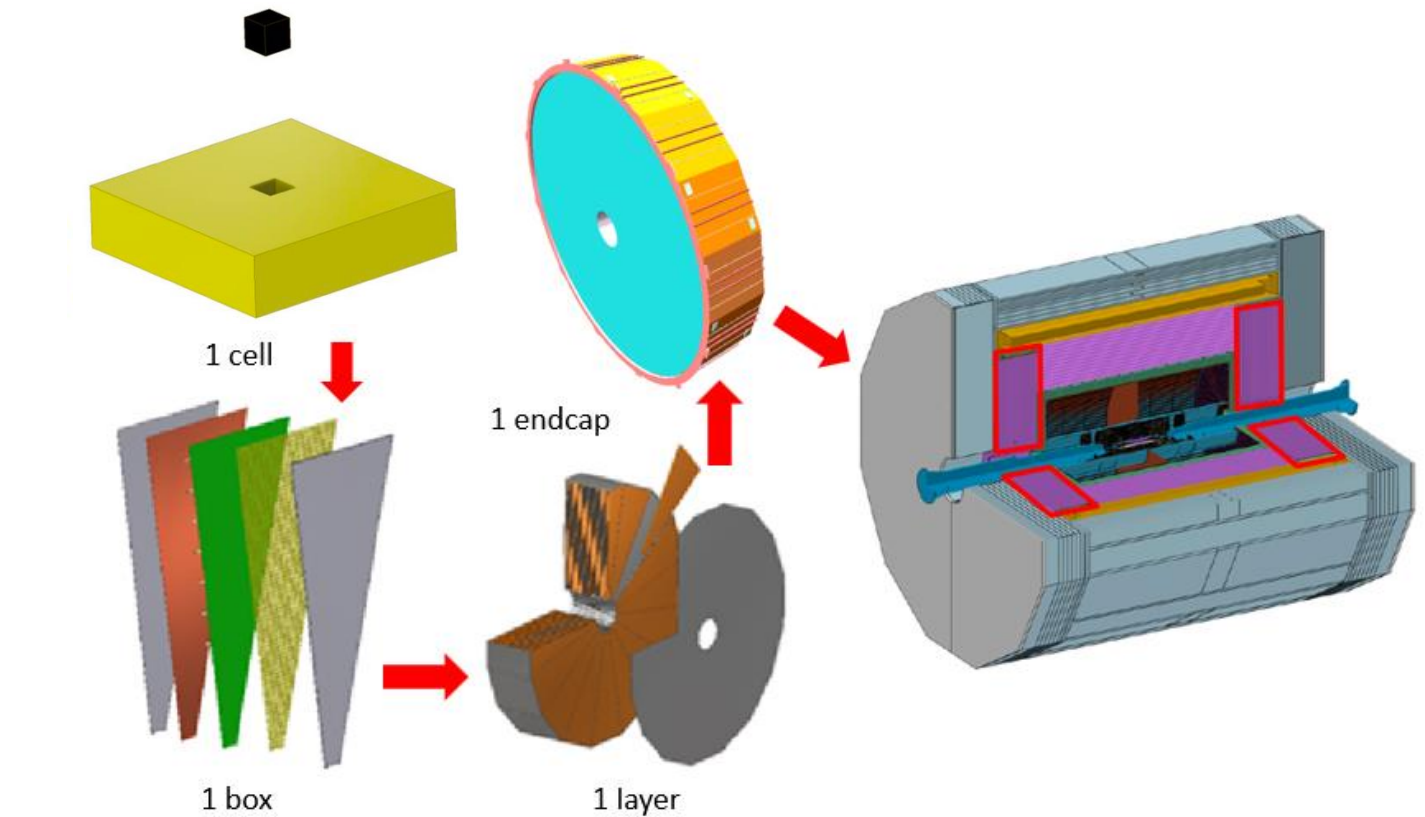
Main Structure



Two endcap HCAL

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Integration of barrel HCAL structure

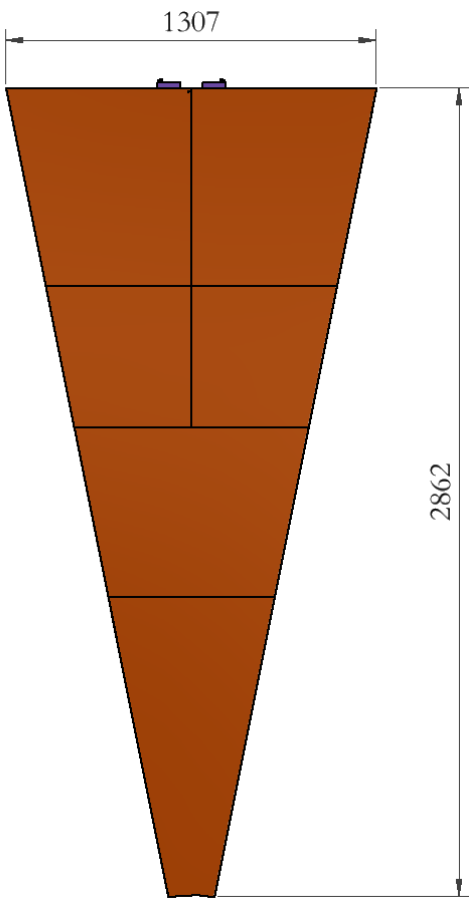


	Cell	Box	Layer	Wedge
Quantities	1006080*2	3072*2	48*16*2	16*2

Total weight: $362 \times 2 = 724$ tons

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Boxes in one layer



4 types Box

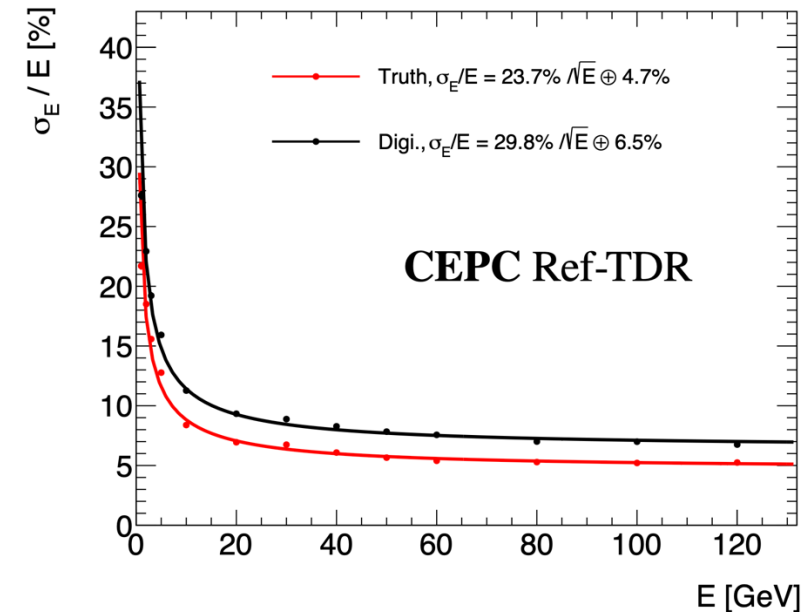
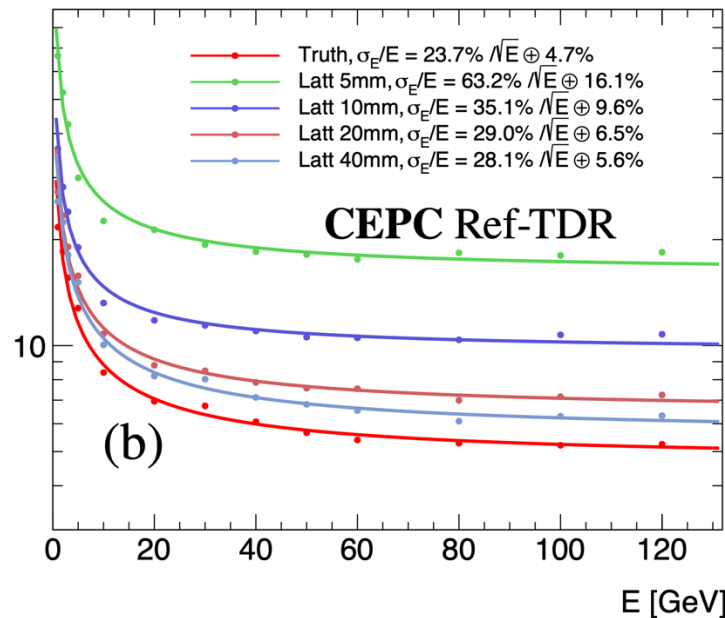
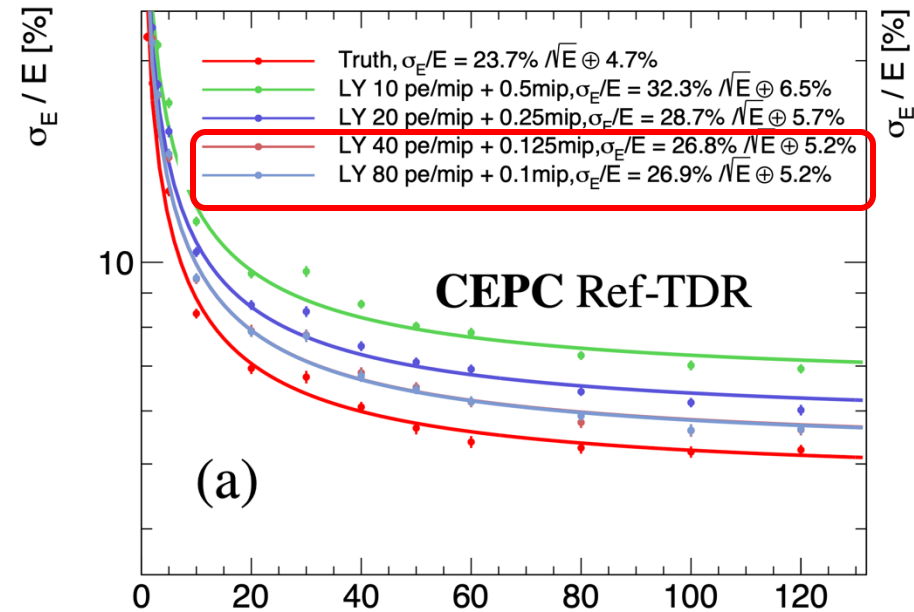
GS-HCAL Energy Resolution

■ A full detector geometry constructed with DD4hep in CEPCSW

- GS density 6 g/cm^3 , $\lambda_I = 242.8 \text{ mm}$, attenuation length $\sim 62 \text{ mm}$
- GS cell size $4 \times 4 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$, 48 layers, $6\lambda_I$ in total
- Geometry: follow the mechanics design with supporting structures.

– **Light output: LO $\sim 60 \text{ p.e./MIP}$ can satisfy the design goal.**

$$\sigma_E/E = 29.8\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 6.5\%$$



- GS light output: $> 40 \text{ p.e./MIP}$
- Threshold: 0.1 MIP ($> 5 \text{ p.e}$)

- GS attenuation length

- GS attenuation length: 62 mm

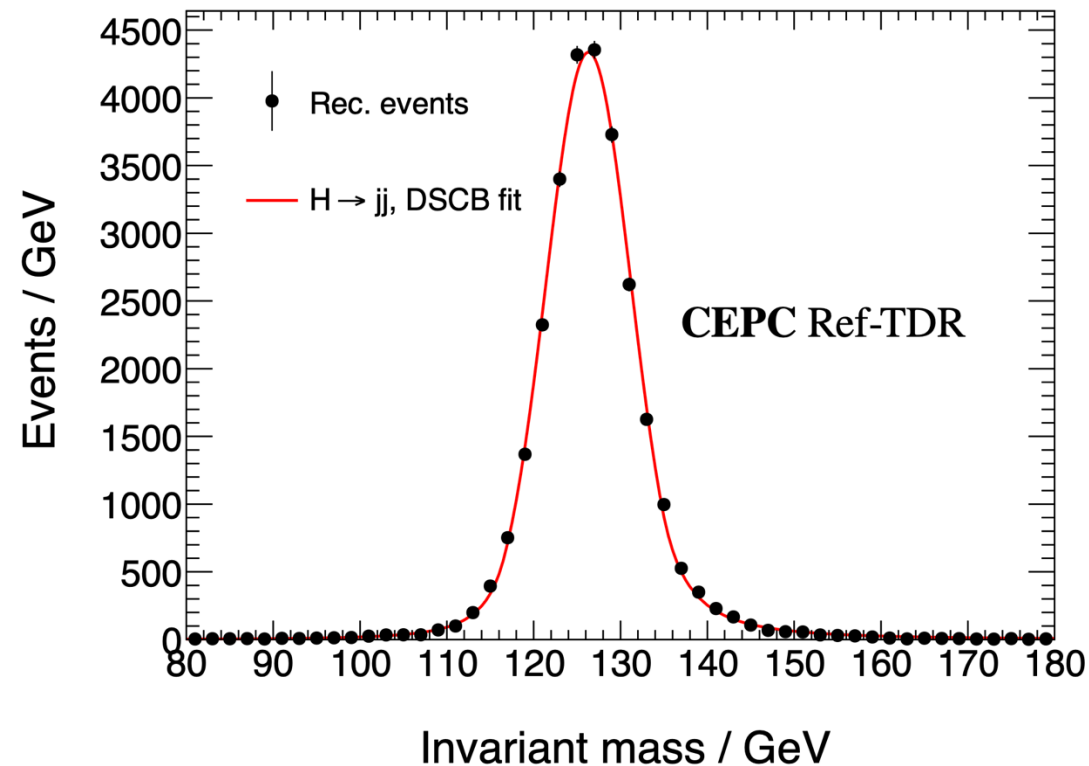
GS-HCAL Physics Performance

◆ Hadron Energy Resolution (full simu. + digitization):

- MC Sample: $ee \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu gg$ @ 240GeV
- Tracker (Si + TPC) + Crystal ECAL + GS-HCAL, Cyber PFA Reconstruction

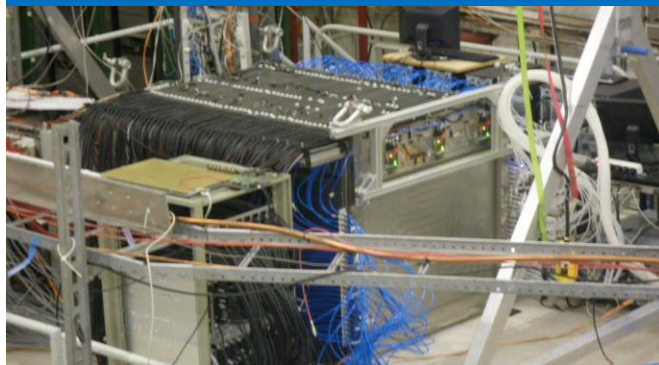
◆ BMR ($H \rightarrow gg$) = 3.88%

Fitted Higgs mass is 126.32 ± 0.04 GeV,
 $\sigma(m_{jj}) = 4.90 \pm 0.04$ GeV.

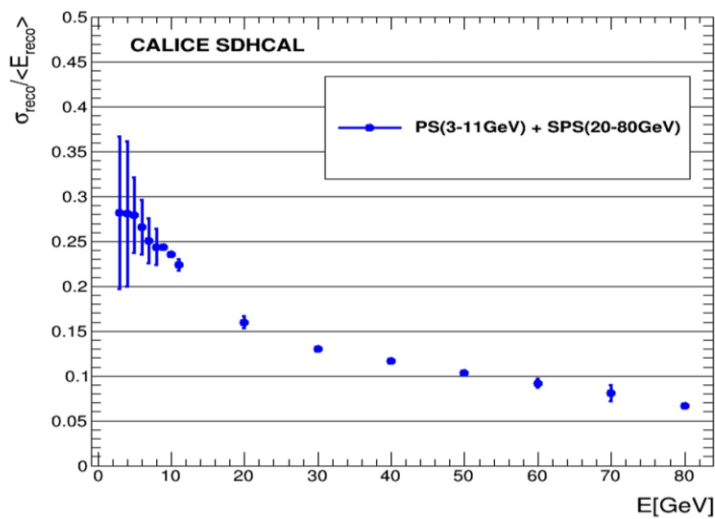


Performance Comparison

RPC-SDHCAL, 48-layer, 1x1 cm²



Pion Beam



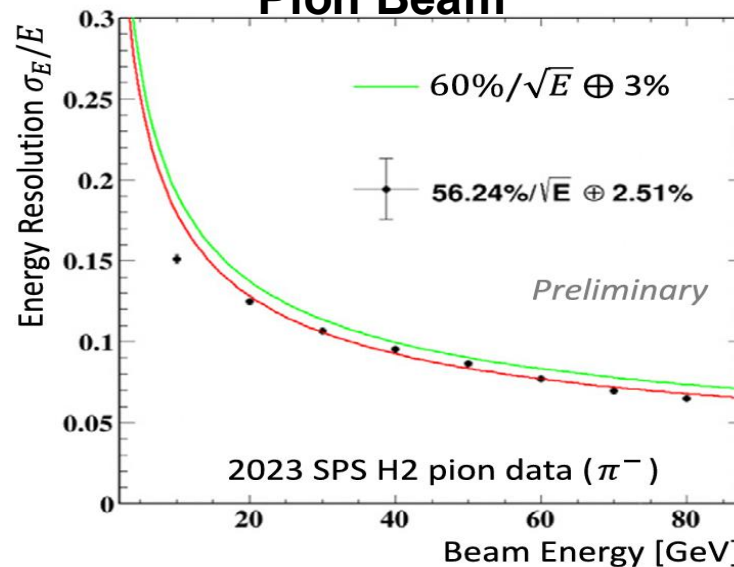
$$65\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2.5\%$$

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PS-HCAL, 40-layers, 4x4 cm²



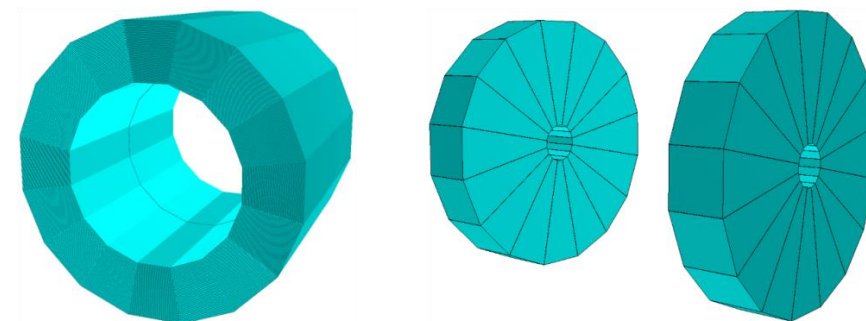
Pion Beam



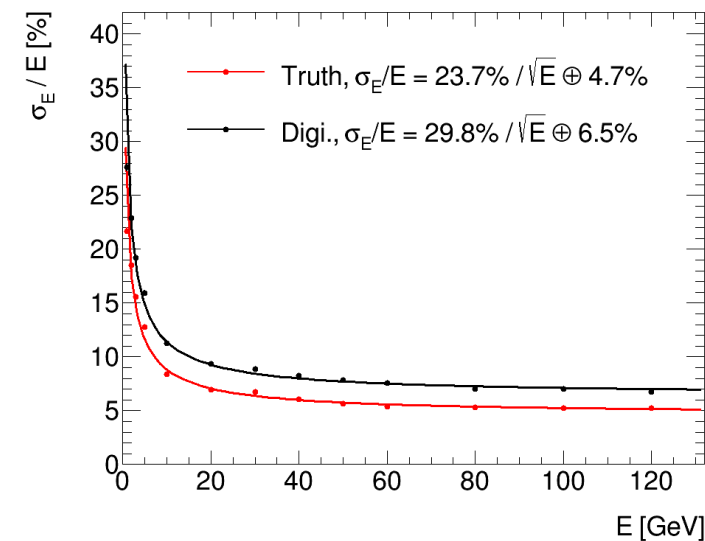
$$56.2\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2.5\%$$

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GS-HCAL, 48 layers, 4x4 cm²



MC Simulation



$$29.8\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 6.5\%$$

GS-HCAL Constant Term

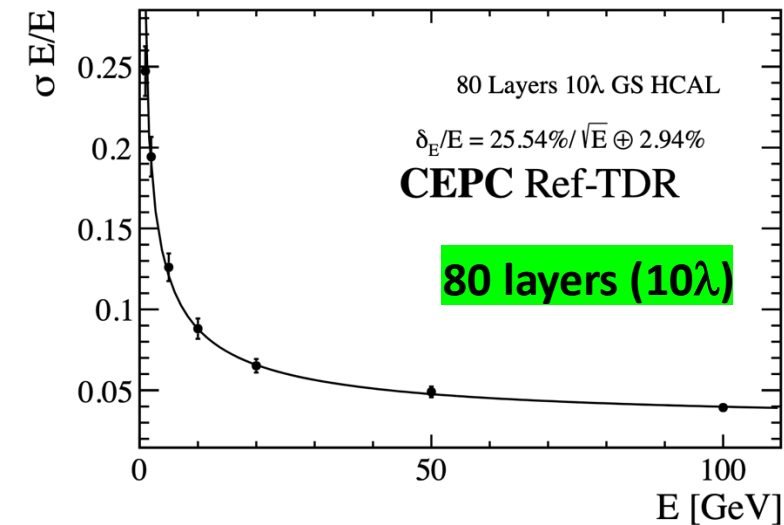
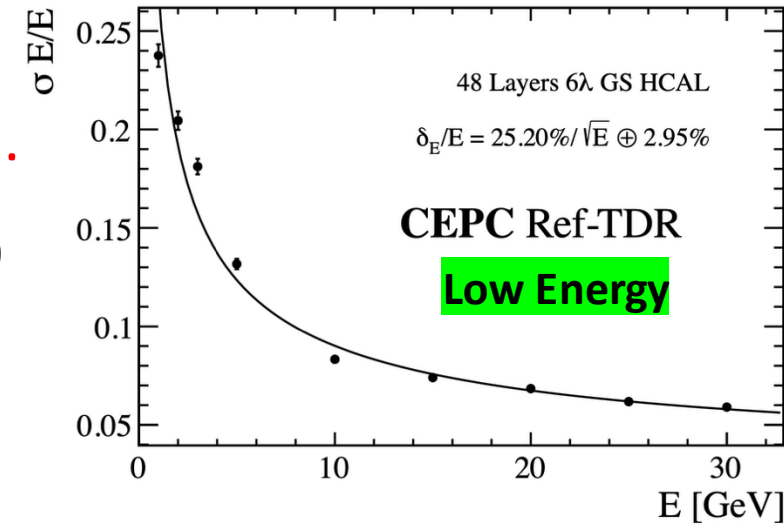
➤ **PS-HCAL prototype:** 5λ , $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{56.2\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 2.5\%$, with shower start and end selection (require shower start at first 5 layers).

➤ **GS-HCAL in full sim+digi:** 6λ , $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{29.8\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 6.5\%$ (all events)

- All events at truth level: $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{23.7\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 4.7\%$
- Shower starts at first 3 layers: $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{25.9\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 3.5\%$
- Low energy beam ($E_{\pi^-} < 30$ GeV): $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{25.2\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 2.9\%$
- Large HCAL (80 layers, 10λ): $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{24.7\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 2.9\%$

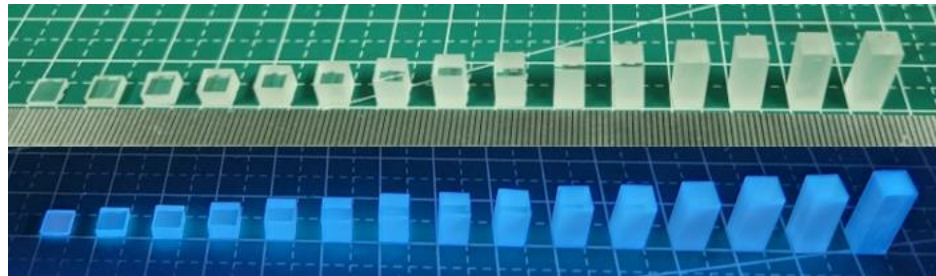
➔ Large constant term in GS-HCAL is partly due to longitudinal leakage of the hadronic shower

➔ Short attenuation length may also contribute



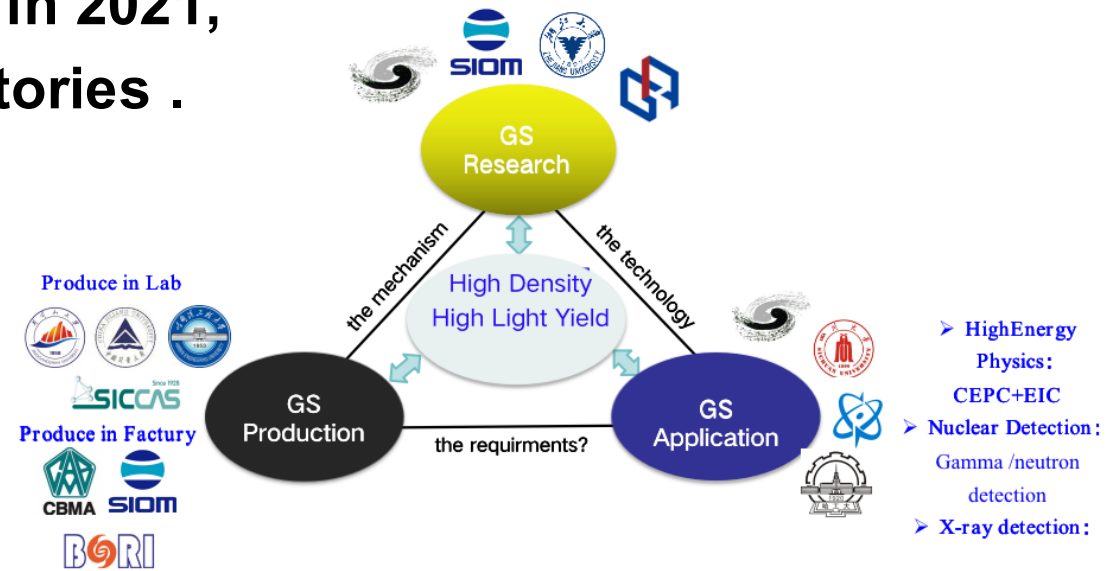
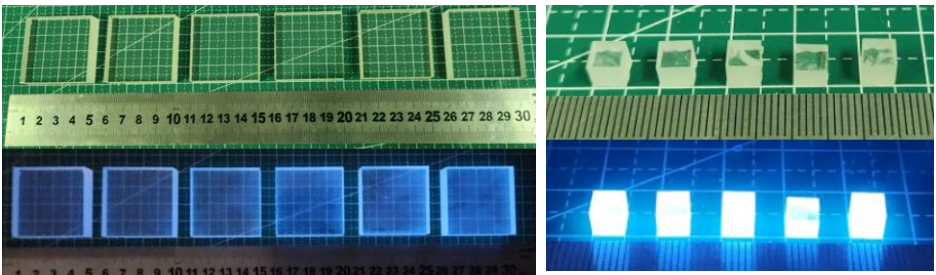
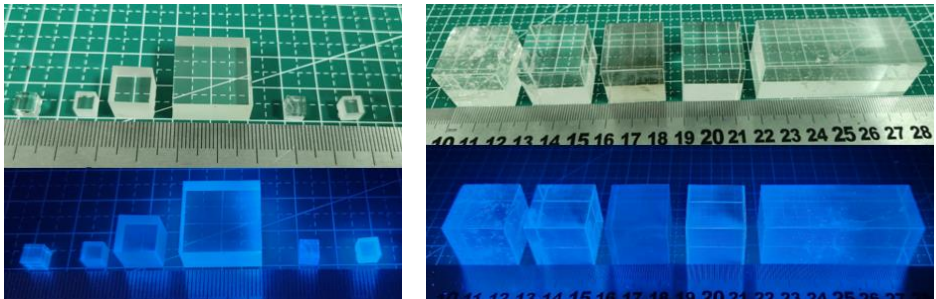
GS Study

- The GS collaboration was organized by IHEP in 2021, it includes 4 Institutes of CAS, 6 Univ., 3 Factories .



Normal light

UV Light

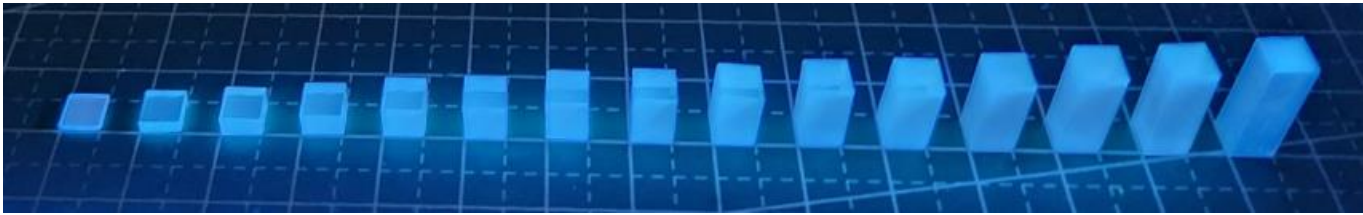


Gadolinium Fluoro-Oxide (GFO)

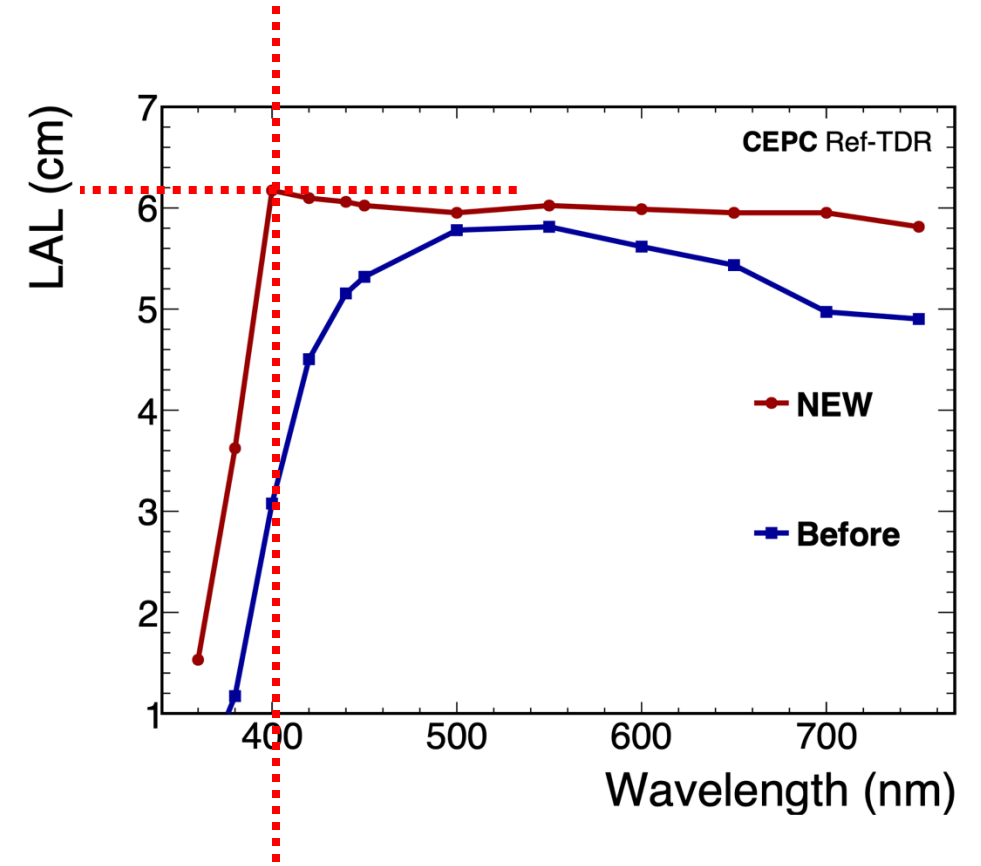
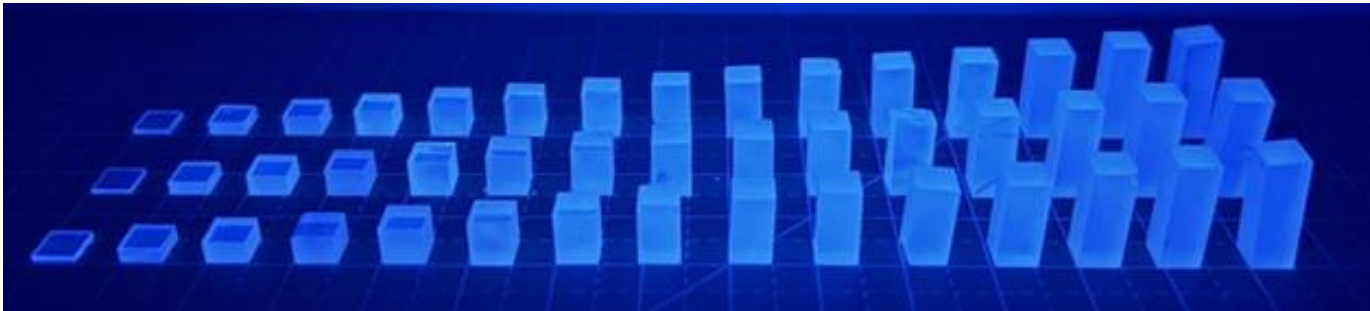
- Density~6.0 g/cm³
- LY ~ 1500 ph/MeV
- Emission peak: 400 nm
- Decay time: 60 and 500 ns

GS Study: Attenuation Length

- GFO samples with varying thicknesses were fabricated to measure the light attenuation length.
- Using energy spectra and light yield vs thickness of GFO to fit **attenuation length: 6.2 cm @ 400nm**

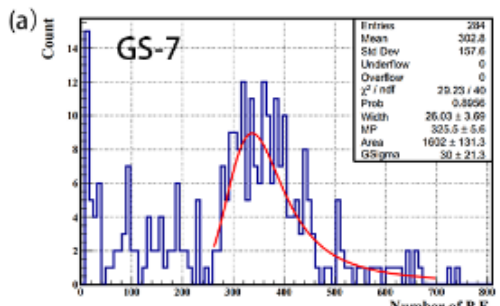
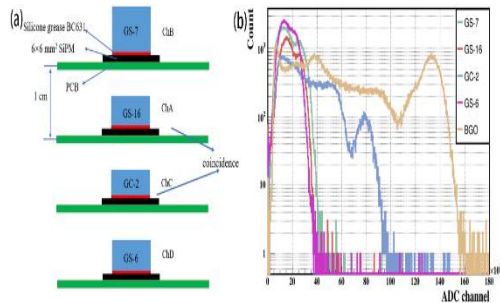


- New GFO samples from three vendors are under test, promising results will be available soon.



GS Study: cosmic ray tests

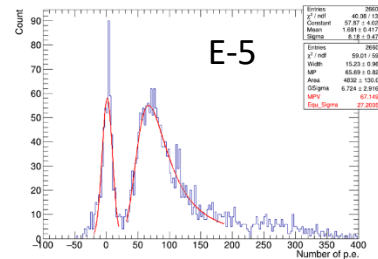
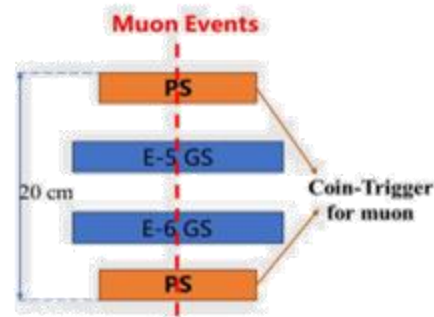
1st Cosmic ray (Integral gate=1 μ s)



- Lab grade GS (5mm cube)
- Normalize the thickness and density of GS
- Prove consistency of LY and MIP responses

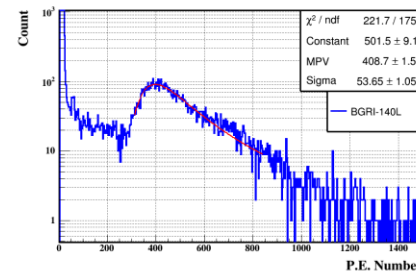
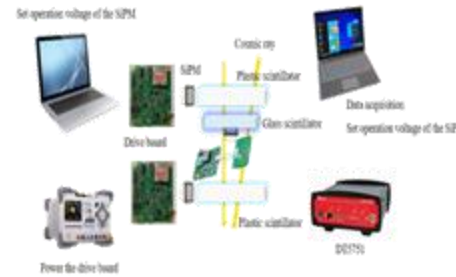
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2nd Cosmic ray (Integral gate=4 μ s)



- Size=40*40*10 mm³
- Light yield: ~750 ph/MeV
- MIP response: ~67 P.E./MIP

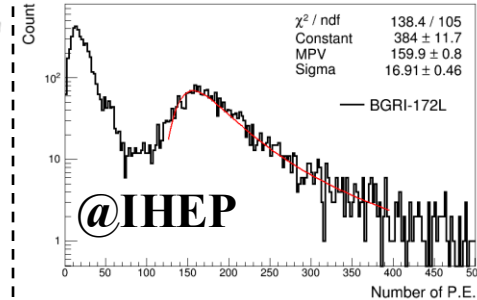
3rd Cosmic ray (Integral gate=4 μ s)



- Size=20*20*10 mm³
- Light yield: ~1800 ph/MeV
- MIP response: ~400 P.E./MIP

New GS sample for Ref-TDR

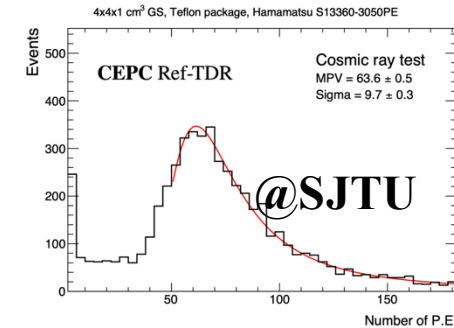
- Atten.leng. = 62mm
- Size=40*40*10 mm³
- Teflon wrapped
- Light yield ~1250 ph/MeV
- Integral gate=1 μ s



- SiPM: 6*6 mm²
HPK S13360-6025CS
- PDE: 0.221
- MIP response: ~159.9 p.e./MIP

Convert to SiPM 3050 Result:

$$159.9 \cdot \frac{0.325}{0.221} \cdot \frac{3 \times 3}{6 \times 6} =$$



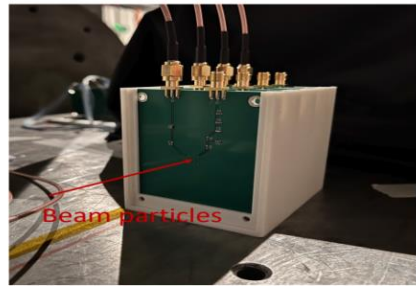
- SiPM: 3*3 mm²
HPK S13360-3050PE
- PDE: 0.325
- MIP response: ~63.6 p.e./MIP

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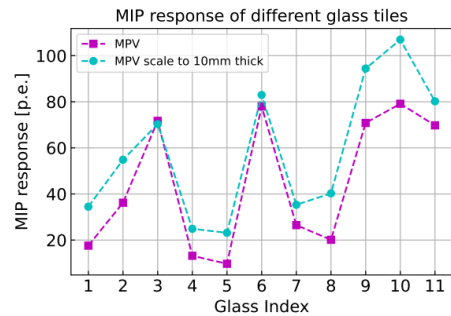
58.8 p.e./MIP
Consistent results

GS Study: beam tests

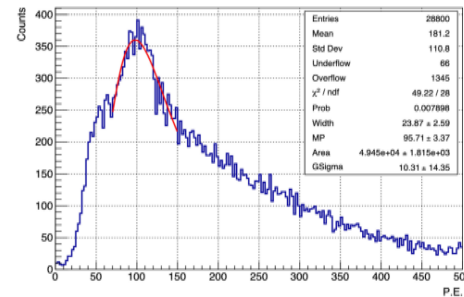
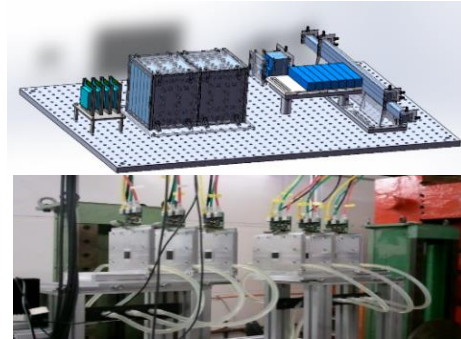
CERN Muon beam (Integral gate=1 μ s)



(a)



DESY Electron beam (Integral gate=1 μ s)



New results from KEK, CERN,
and DESY are coming soon.

- **$(25-40) \times (25-35) \times (4-10) \text{ mm}^3$**
- Typical light yield:
500-600 ph/MeV
- Typical MIP response:
60-100 P.E./MIP

- **Size=40*40*10 mm³**
- Typical light yield:
600-700 ph/MeV
- Typical MIP response:
80-90 P.E./MIP

GS-HCAL Full-size Prototype (C3)

Preparation of full-size GS-HCAL prototype (2025-2026)

- Total: 48 layers
- Each layer: 13×13 GS cells ($52 \times 52 \text{ cm}^2$)
- GS cell size: $4 \times 4 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$
- Total GS cells: $13 \times 13 \times 48 = 8112$
- 1 SiPM ($3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$) for each GS cell
- 8112 NDL-SiPMs will be used
- ASIC Chip with power consumption of 15mW/ch
- Stainless steel as absorber and covers: 13.8mm

Cooperation with DRD4 and DRD6

- Sen Qian is deputy convener of WG4.1 in DRD4
- Contact person for GS-HCAL in WP6.1 in DRD6

TB plan (2027):

- CERN: 2-180 GeV, $e / \mu / \pi$ beams
- CSNS (China): 1.6 GeV proton beam

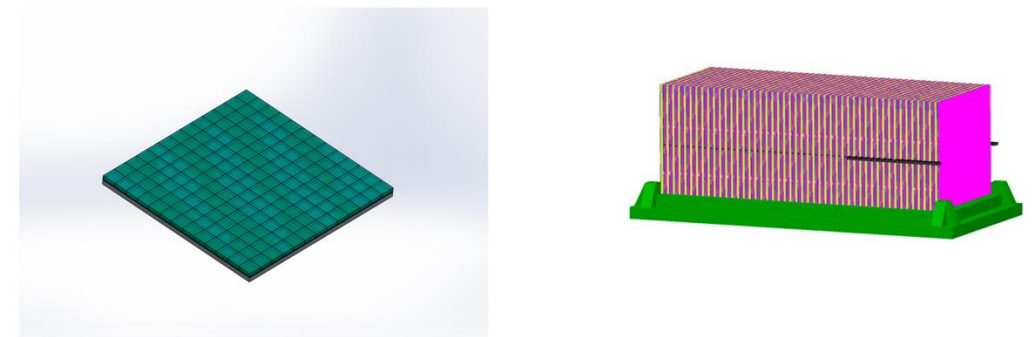
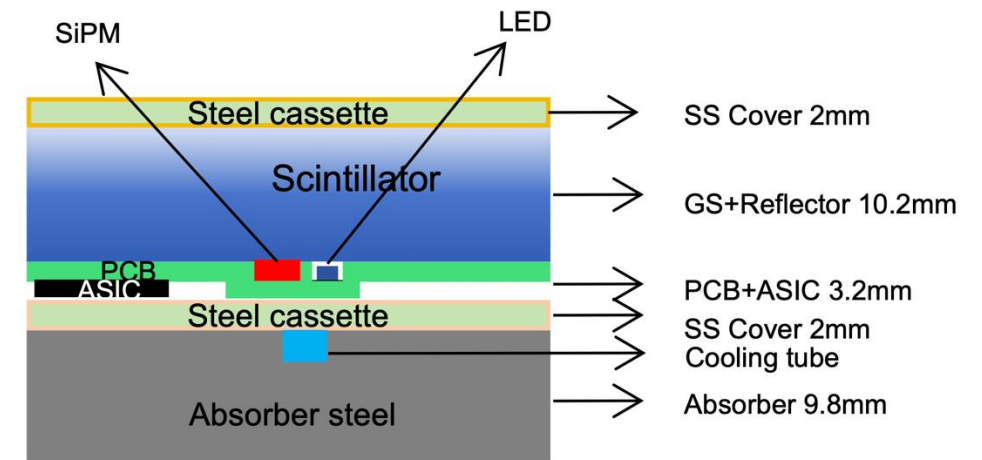


Figure 8.24: One layer and whole size of GS-HCAL prototype.

HCAL Research Group

- **CEPC-HCAL team:** IHEP, USTC, SJTU, XJTU, SCNU, SCU, HEU, ZZU
 - **Detector for PS/GS-HCAL:** Staff(**9**) + Student(**5**)
 - **Electronics:** Staff(**5**)
 - **Mechanics:** Staff(**3**)
 - **GS Collaboration:** 13 institutes, Staffs (26) + Students (10)

Convener: Sen Qian (IHEP), Jianbei Liu (USTC)

Physics: Manqi Ruan(IHEP), Haijun Yang (SJTU)

Software: Sengsen Sun(IHEP)

Design: Fangyi Guo(IHEP), Hengne Li(SCNU), Qingming Zhang(XJTU), Weizheng Song(IHEP), Peng Hu(261)

Dejing Du(IHEP), Hongbing Diao(SUTC), Jiyan Chen(SJTU), **to design the GS-HCAL based on CEPCSW;**

Glass Scintillator: Sen Qian(IHEP), Jing Ren(HEU), the GS collaboration (13 institutes, 26 staffs +10 students);

SiPM: Yuguang Xie(IHEP), Jifeng Han(SCU), Guang Luo(SYSU), **SiPM and electronics for the GS performance test;**

Electronics: Jingfan Chang(IHEP), **to design the ASIC and FEE, power supply, cables etc.;**

DAQ: Chen Boping(IHEP)

Mechanics and cooling system: Yatian Pei(IHEP), Junsong Zhang(IHEP), Shang Bofeng(ZZU)

Detector: Boxiang Yu(IHEP), Yunlong Zhang (USTC), Yong Liu (IHEP), **GS-HCAL module, TB and cosmic test;**

Summary and Future Plans

◆ Physics requirement for the design:

- Hadron energy resolution $< 30\%/\sqrt{E}$
- Boson mass resolution (BMR) $< 4\%$

◆ GS-HCAL is selected as baseline based on its promising performance

- Intensive R&D on high quality GS (e.g. light yield, decay time, attenuation length)
- Update design of GS-HCAL mechanics, cooling and readout electronics
- Simulation studies with CEPCSW demonstrated: with a Light output of 60 p.e./MIP and attenuation length of 62 mm, can well satisfy the physics requirement.

◆ Future R&D plans

- To develop techniques for mass production of GS, SiPM with low cost
- To further optimize GS-SiPM coupling, cooling and readout electronics
- To prepare full-size GS-HCAL prototype with integrated electronics for beam test



Thanks for your attention!

Mechanics

■ FEA simulation study to evaluate key parameters: deformation and stress

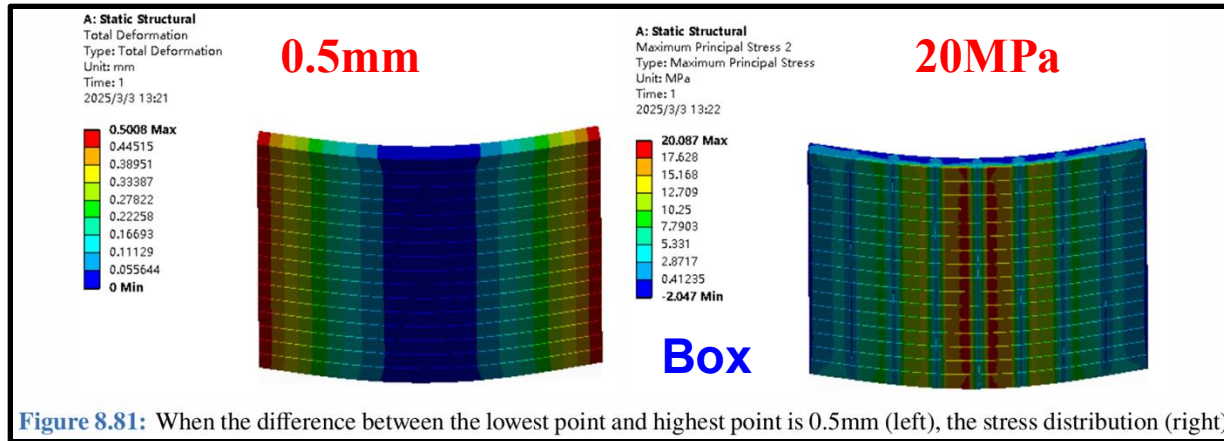


Figure 8.81: When the difference between the lowest point and highest point is 0.5mm (left), the stress distribution (right)

- Max deformation of GS box is 0.5mm, deformation of wedge is 0.33mm
- Max stress of GS is 20MPa (Box) and 37MPa (Endcap): less than allowable stress of GS (60MPa)

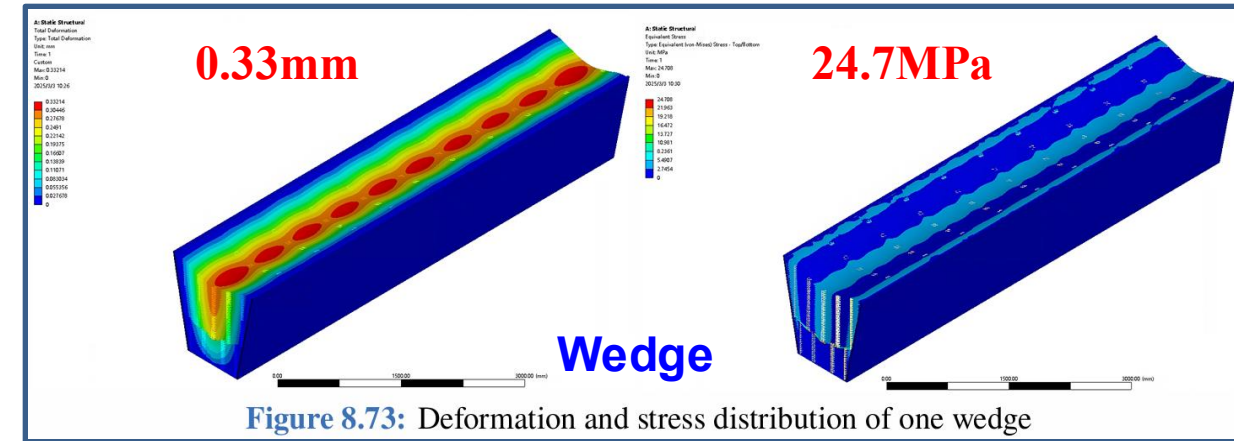


Figure 8.73: Deformation and stress distribution of one wedge

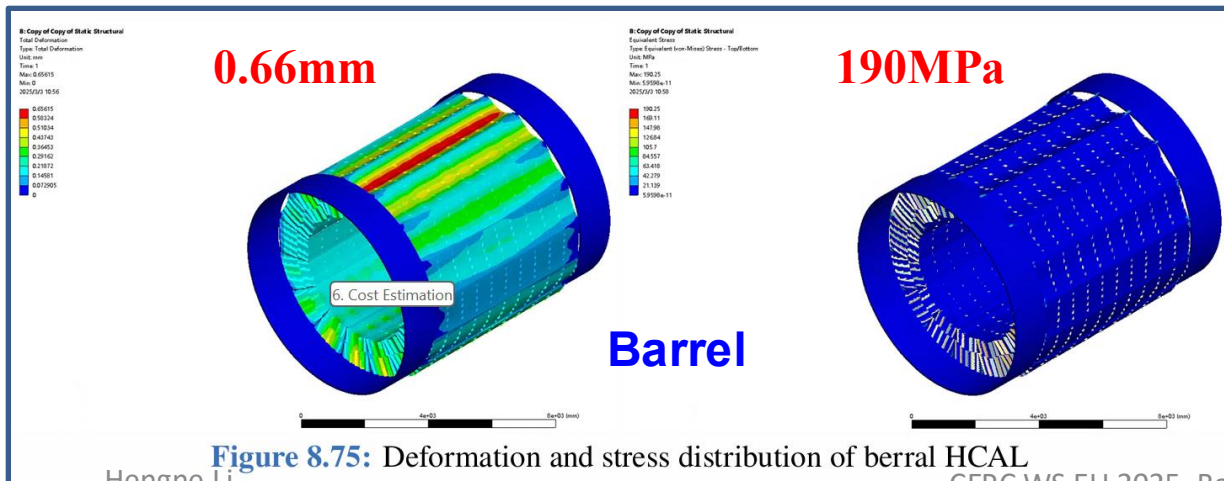
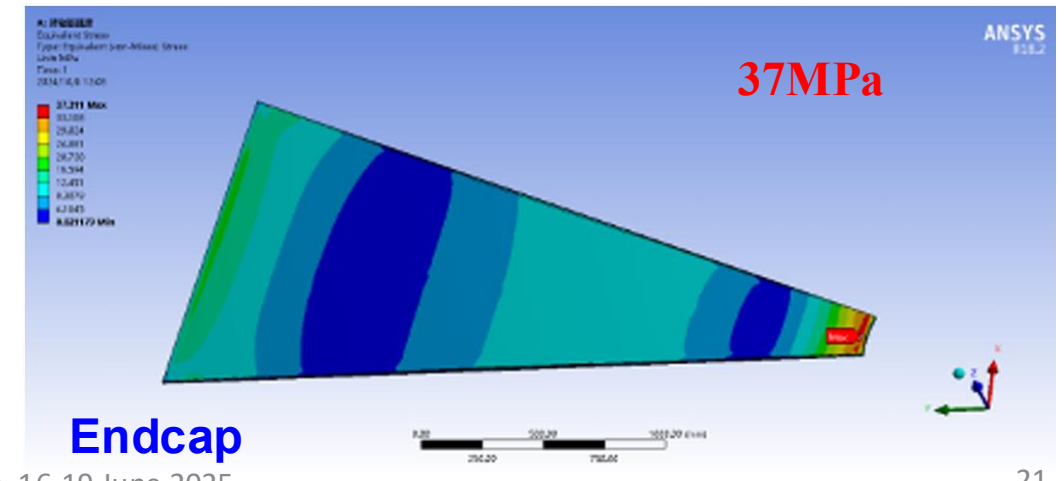


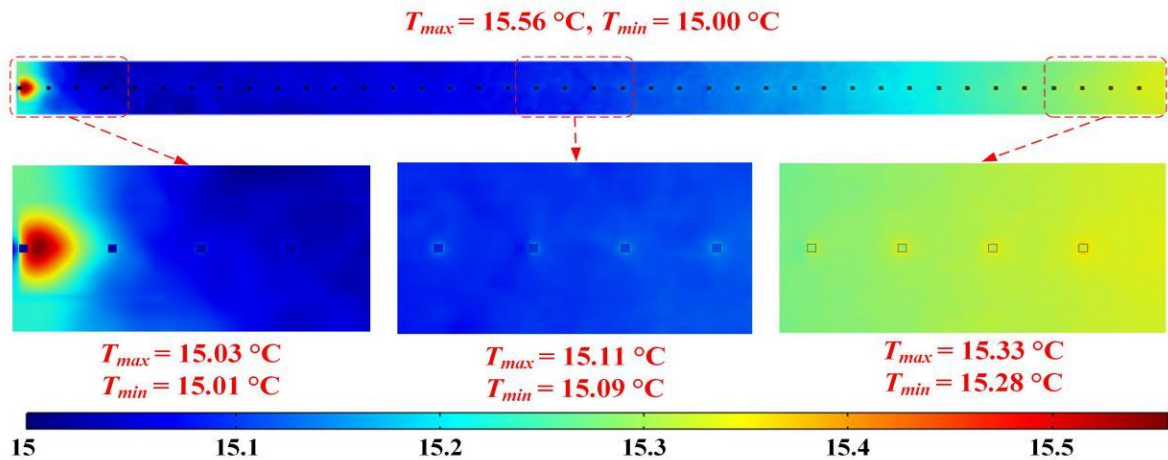
Figure 8.75: Deformation and stress distribution of berral HCAL



Endcap

Cooling

- ◆ Air cooling can not meet heat dissipation demands.
- ◆ **Liquid cooling technology is employed** to ensure efficient heat dissipation and temperature uniformity.



➤ FEA simulation of liquid cooling system

- ◆ Inlet $T = 15\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, flow rate 0.005 kg/s (inlet velocity 0.1 m/s).
- ◆ **Temperature within same layer $< 0.6\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$**
- ◆ **Temp. variations of chips in same module $< 0.1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$**

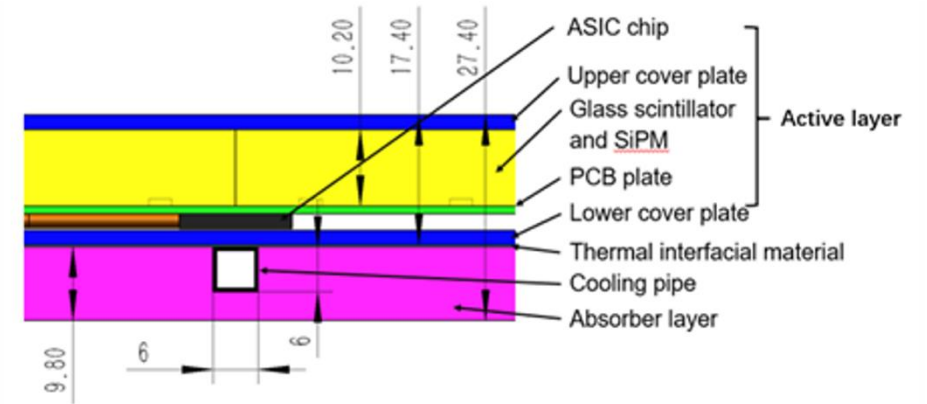


Figure 8.65: Cross section structure of each layer of detect module

- 4 pipes in each layer in parallel
- 8 layers gather in one pipe in parallel
- One end is inlet and another end is outlet

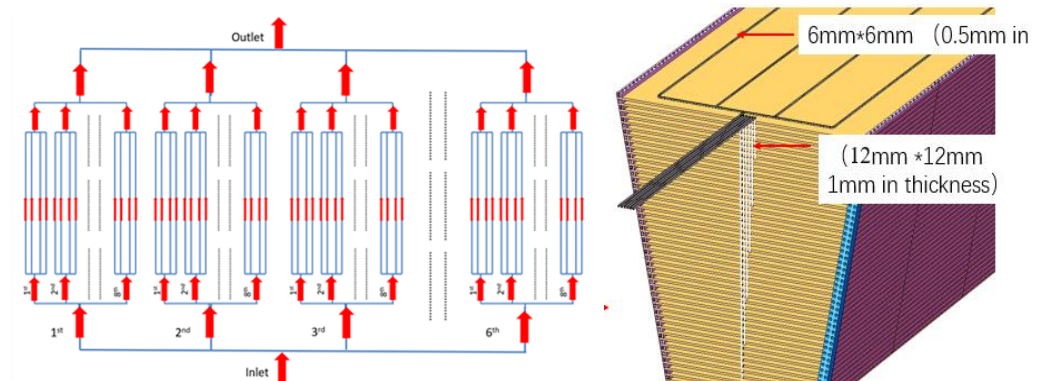


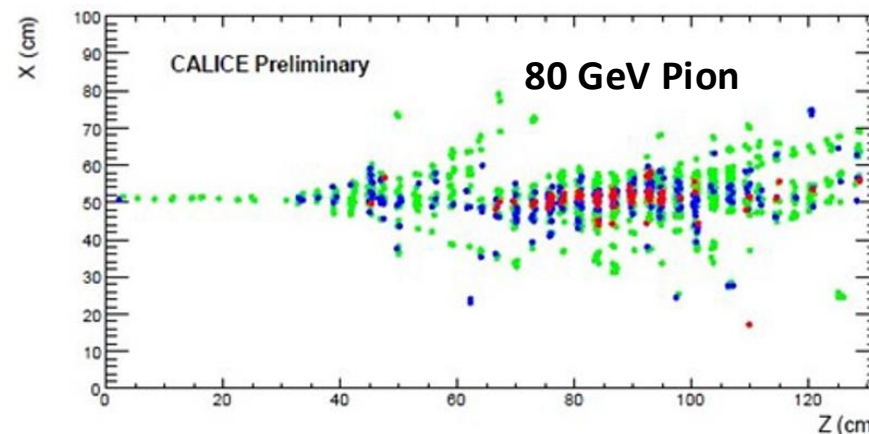
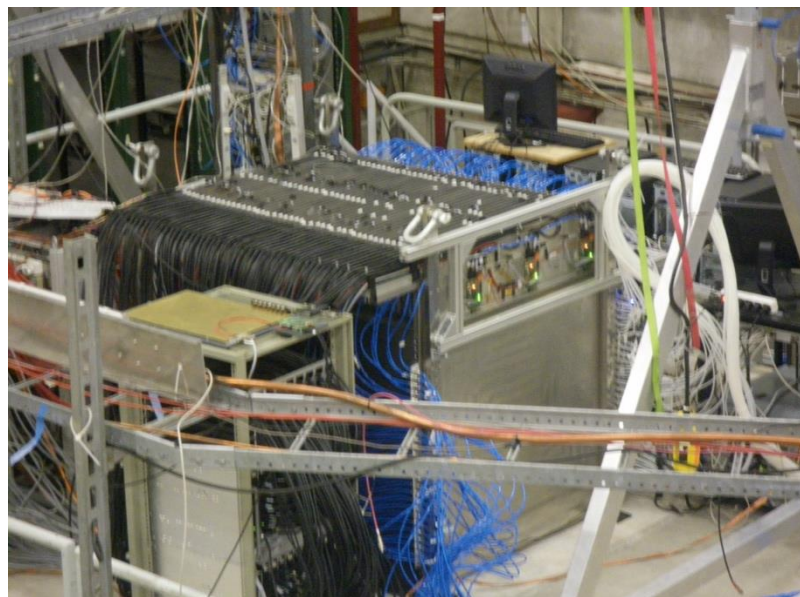
Figure 8.100: Cooling routing for each wedge

Wedge

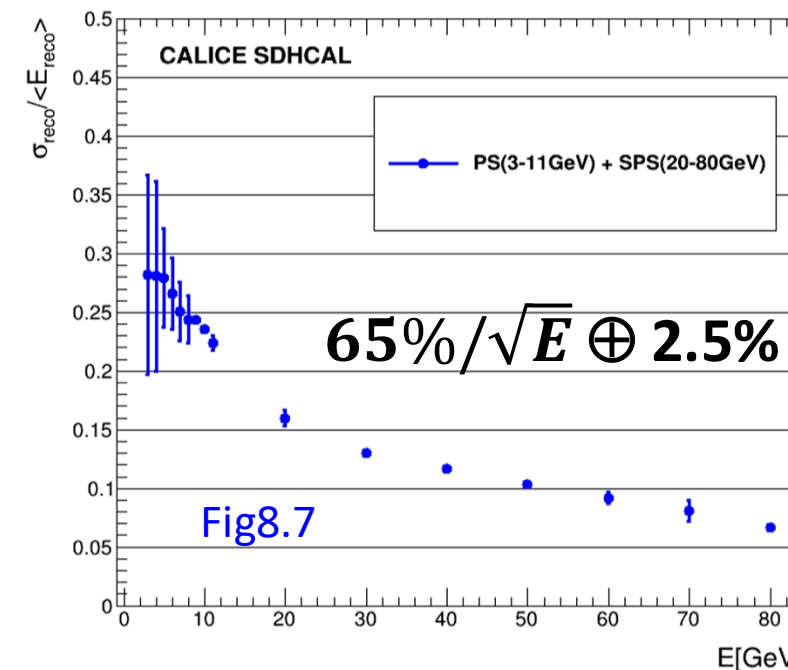
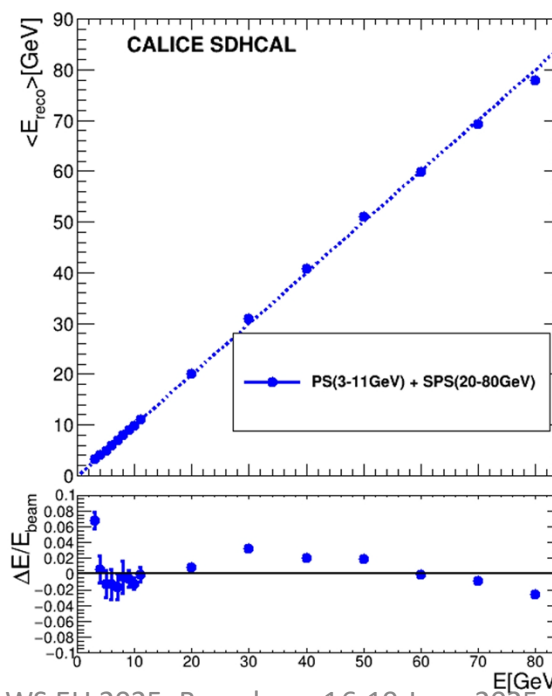
2.1 RPC based SDHCAL (Prototype)

■ Semi-digital HCAL (SDHCAL)

- High granularity (1cm x1cm)
- 48 layers (1m x 1m x 1.3m)
- Three thresholds readout
- Stainless-steel absorber with self-supporting mechanical structure



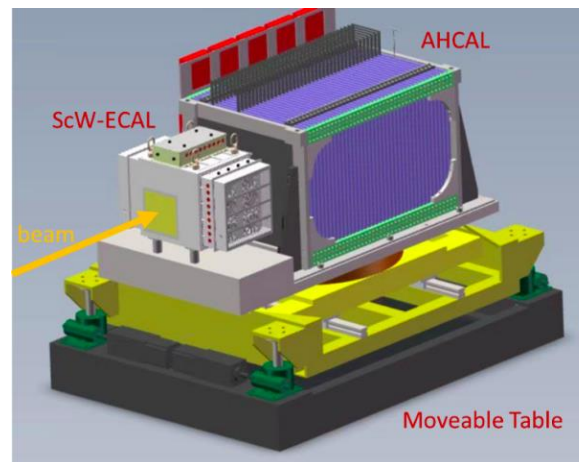
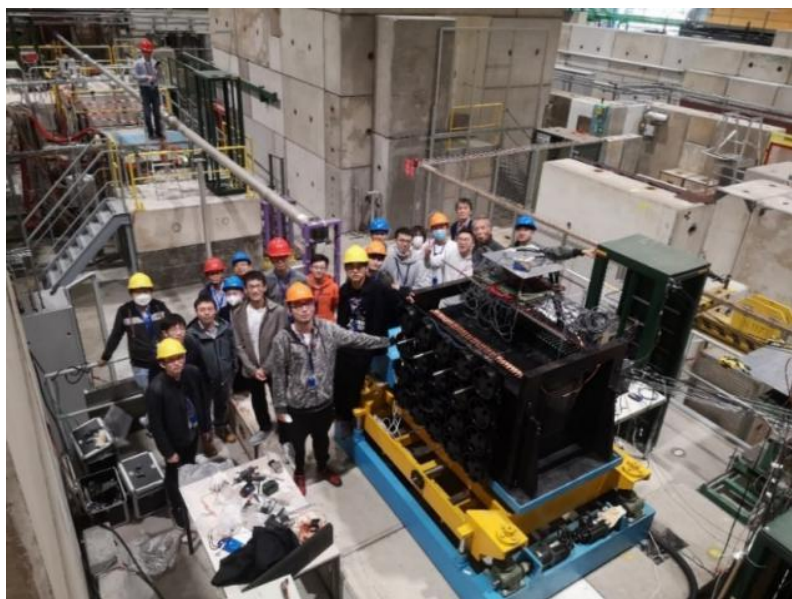
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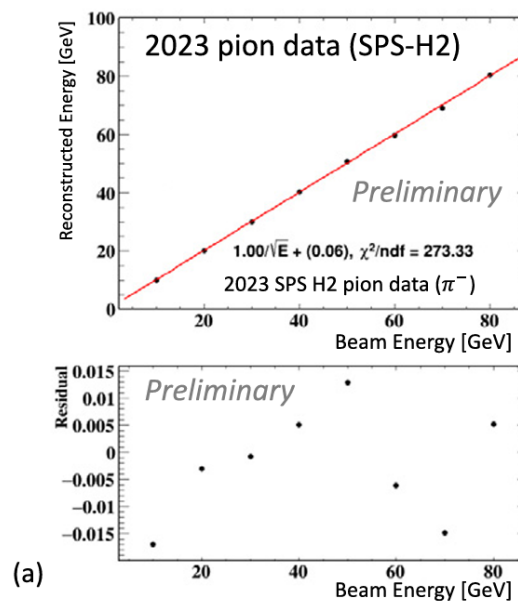
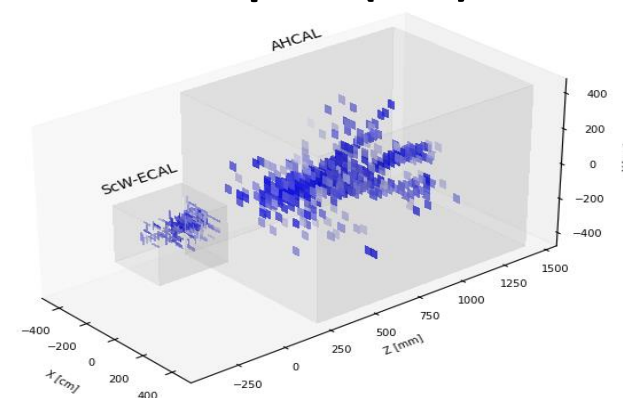
2.2 Plastic Scintillator HCAL (Prototype)

■ Plastic Scint. AHCAL (PSHCAL)

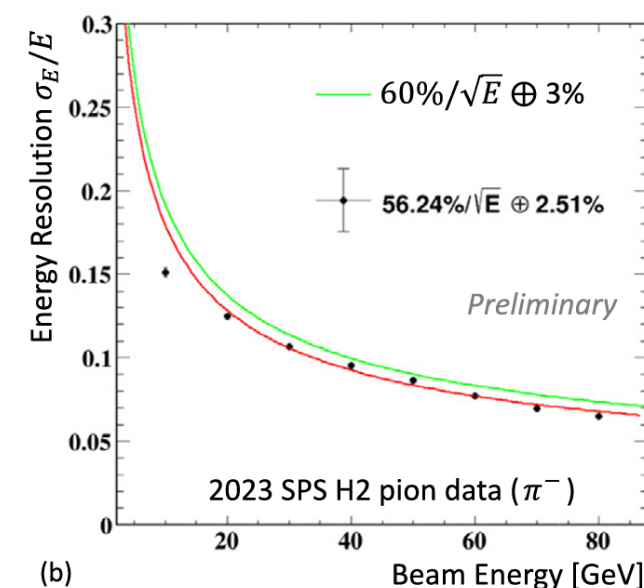
- High granularity (4cm x4cm)
- 40 layers (72 cm x 72cm x 1.1m)
- Plastic Scintillator + SiPM (12960)
- Stainless-steel absorber with self-supporting mechanical structure



60 GeV pion (SPS)



(a)



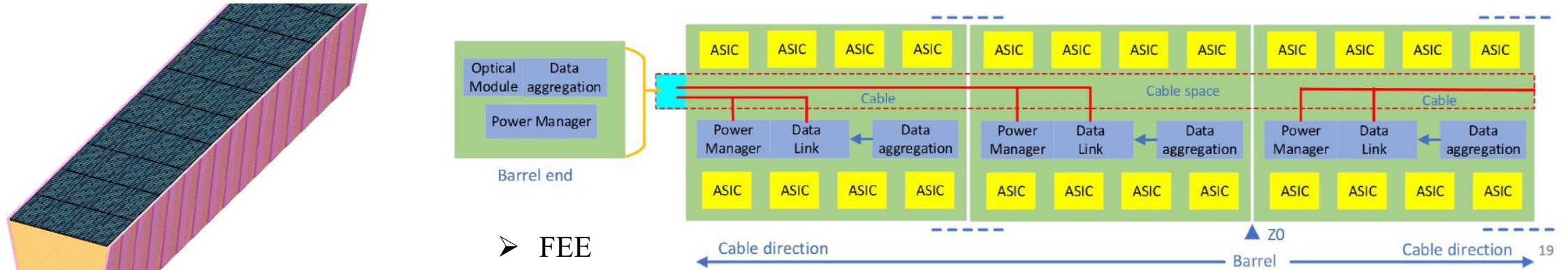
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Fig8.14

$$56.2\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2.5\%$$

5.2 Readout Electronics (C2)

See Wei Wei's talk for details



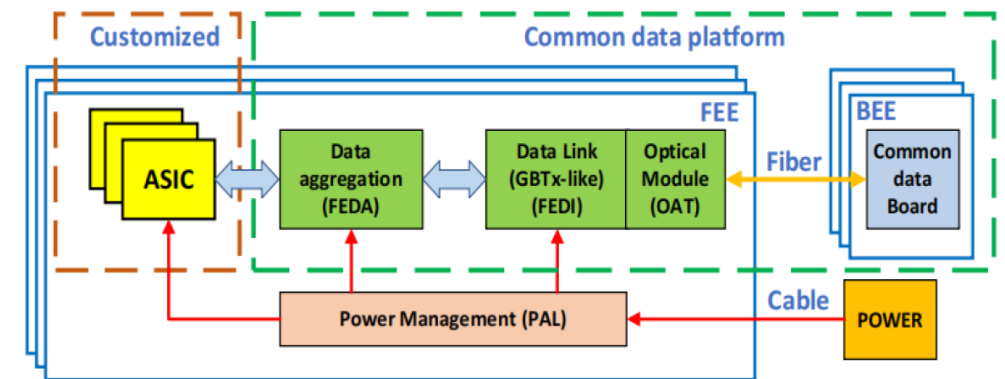
■ Front-End Electronics (FEE) readout boards in HCAL cell Box

- Thickness: 3.2mm = PCB 1.2mm + ASIC Chip 2mm
- SiPMs, ASICs and Data Aggregation
- PCB dimensions: flexible in different positions

■ SiPM-readout ASIC: under development

- Self-developed for CEPC calorimeter system
- Functionality: energy and time measurements
- Power consumption: target at 15mW/ch

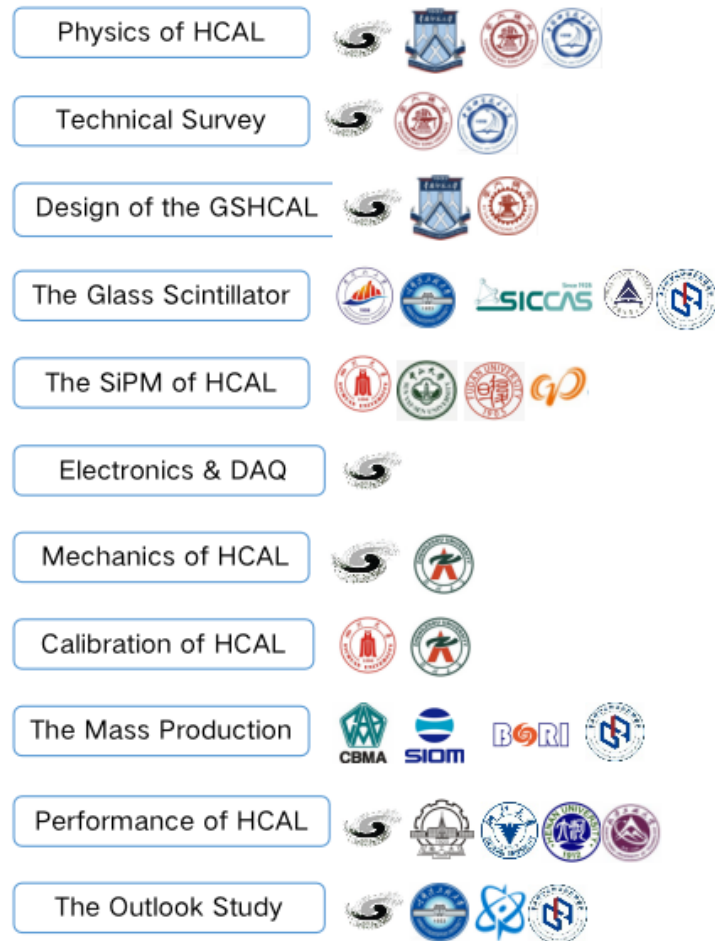
■ Aggregation board at the end of barrel, cable connection



- **Energy Measurement:** ASIC for ECAL & HCAL
- **Data transmission:** common data platform
- **Trigger mode:** FEE triggerless readout

7.2 Research Team of GS-HCAL

- GS collaboration: 13 institutes, 26 faculty/staff, ~10 students
- HCAL working group: 8 institutes, 17 faculty/staff, ~10 students



	Institute of High Energy Physics, CAS 中国科学院高能物理研究所		Sun Yat-sen University 中山大学
	Jinggangshan University 井冈山大学		Zhejiang University 浙江大学
	Beijing Glass Research Institute 北京玻璃研究院		Fudan University 复旦大学
	China Building Materials Academy 中国建筑材料研究院		South China Normal University 华南师范大学
	China Jiliang University 中国计量大学		Shanghai Jiao Tong University 上海交通大学
	Harbin Engineering University 哈尔滨工程大学		University of Science and Technology of China 中国科学技术大学
	Harbin Institute of Technology 哈尔滨工业大学		Zhengzhou University 郑州大学
	Sichuan University 四川大学		Xi'an Jiaotong University 西安交通大学
	Shanghai Institute of Ceramics, CAS 中国科学院上海硅酸盐研究所		Henan University 河南大学
	Shanghai Institute of Optics and Fine Mechanics, CAS 中国科学院上海光学精密机械研究所		Beijing Normal University 北京师范大学
	Ganjiang Innovation Academy, CAS 中国科学院赣江创新研究院		North China University of Technology 北方工业大学
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Research Team of GS



GS-HCAL Digitization Model

8.9.2.1 Energy linearity and resolution

The energy linearity and resolution are estimated with Geant4 simulation in CEPCSW. In order to study the intrinsic energy response in GS-HCAL, all inner sub-detectors are removed. A digitization model is constructed considering the following items:

- Birks constant. Currently a preliminary estimation of $C_{Birks} = 0.01$ is applied, considering the BGO has $C_{Birks} = 0.0086$. A measurement with heavy ion beam is being planned.
- Light yield. With the measurement from glass scintillator samples, the intrinsic MIP light yield can reach to ~ 2000 ph/MeV, thus the detected light yield is expected to be at least 100 p.e./MIP. This satisfies the requirement from noise and 0.1 MIP threshold.
- Attenuation length. 2.3 cm attenuation length is expected, based on current measurements. While more detailed studies of the glass scintillation properties need to be studied.
- Threshold. With the scanned impact on energy resolution, a 0.1 MIP threshold is expected.
- SiPM response.
- Electronic system.
- Other items are considered as negligible after the calibration.

This model gives an estimation of the energy resolution $\sigma_E/E = 29.8\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 6.5\%$ and linearity within 2% before calibration in Figure 8.106 The physics list 'QGSP-BERT' is used as default one. Other physics lists are also tested. The large constant term is contributed with the longitudinal leakage from this $6\lambda_I$ design, which is limited by the total detector volume and cost. This result is better than the traditional HCAL with typical energy resolution of $\sigma_E/E = 60\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 3\%$.

SiPM Dark Current Rate (DCR)

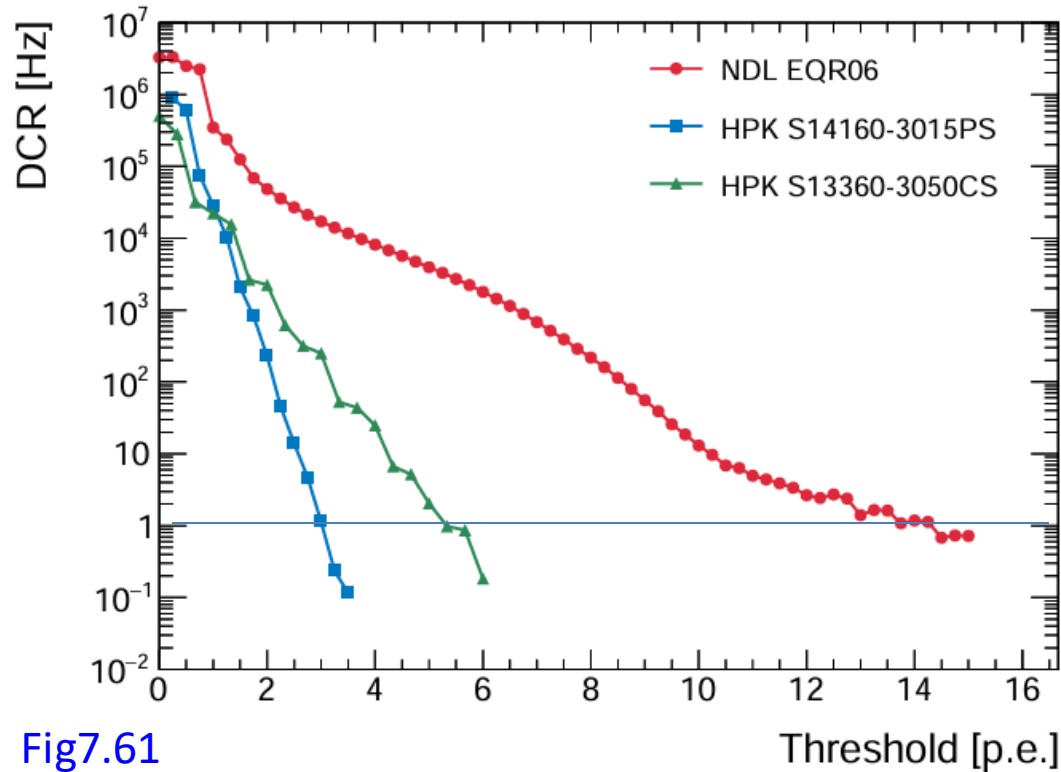


Fig7.61

- HPK 13160: DCR ~ 0.5MHz,
- Threshold >5 pe (0.1 MIP), DCR rate ~ 1Hz
- integral time ~1us,
- ➔ SiPM noise rate ~ $5.3\text{M} \cdot 10^{-6} \sim 5.3$

The nominal dark count rate (DCR) of SiPMs, along with their testing temperature and bias voltage.

SiPM	DCR (MHz)	Over votage (V)	Temperature (°C)
HPK S13360-3050CS	0.5	3	25
HPK S14160-3015PS	0.7	4	25
NDL EQR06 11-3030D-S	2.5	8	20

MPPC (multi-pixel photon counter)

S13360 series

▣ **Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C, unless otherwise noted)**

Type no.	Measurement conditions	Spectral response range λ	Peak sensitivity wavelength λ_p	Photon detection efficiency PDE**4 $\lambda=\lambda_p$	Dark count**5		Terminal capacitance Ct	Gain M	Breakdown voltage VBR	Crosstalk probability	Recommended operating voltage Vop	Temperature coefficient at recommended operating voltage ΔTV_{op}		
					Typ.	Max.								
		(nm)	(nm)	(%)	(kcps)	(kcps)	(pF)		(V)	(%)	(V)	(mV/°C)		
S13360-1325PE	Vover =5 V	320 to 900	450	25	70	210	60	7.0×10^5	53 ± 5	1	VBR + 5	54		
S13360-3025CS		270 to 900			400	1200	320							
S13360-3025PE		320 to 900			1600	5000	1280							
S13360-6025CS		270 to 900			90	270	60							
S13360-6025PE	Vover =3 V	320 to 900		40	500	1500	320	1.7×10^6		3	VBR + 3			
S13360-1350PE		270 to 900			2000	6000	1280							
S13360-3050CS		320 to 900			90	270	60							
S13360-3050PE		270 to 900			500	1500	320							
S13360-6050CS	Vover =3 V	320 to 900		50	2000	6000	1280	4.0×10^6		7	VBR + 3			
S13360-6050PE		270 to 900			90	270	60							
S13360-1375PE		320 to 900			500	1500	320							
S13360-3075CS		270 to 900			2000	6000	1280							
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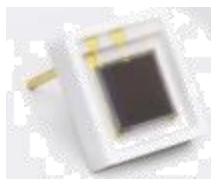
*4: Photon detection efficiency does not include crosstalk or afterpulses.

*5: Threshold=0.5 p.e.

Note: The above characteristics were measured at the operating voltage that yields the listed gain. (See the data attached to each product.)



NDL EQR20



HPK S13360-3025CS

	NDL	HPK
Photosensitive area (mm)	3×3	3×3
Operation Voltage (V)	32.3	56.64
Gain	8×10^5	7×10^5
SPE channel	99	61
PDE @390nm (%)	42	22
P.E. Number	138	75
Energy resolution (% @662keV)	40.9	44.2
Scintillation decay (ns)	487.6	594.4

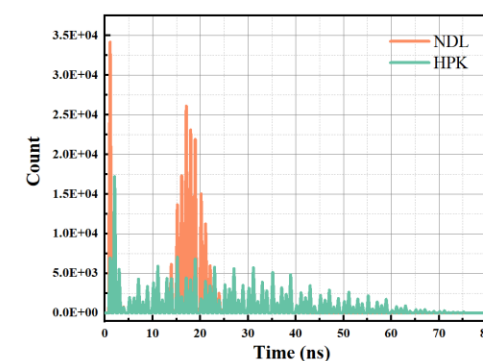
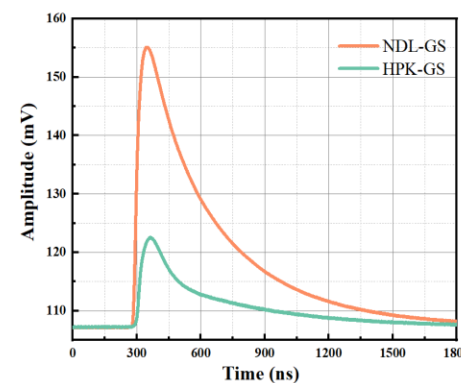
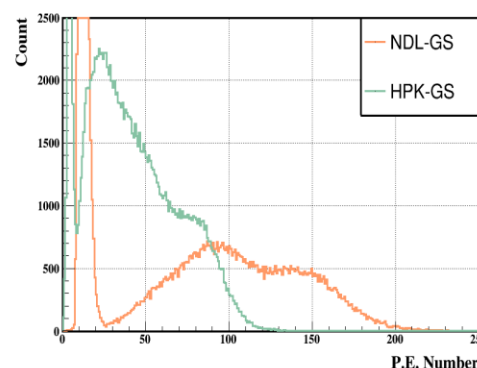
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● Mass production of high quality SiPM;

- HPK S13360 series ($3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$) ~ 20% Detection efficiency.
- HPK S14160 series have about 43% PDE @390nm, more suitable for HCAL, will be tested soon.
- NDL ($3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$) ~ 40% DE, could be improved to 60% in the future
- IHEP will cooperation with NDL for the performance test

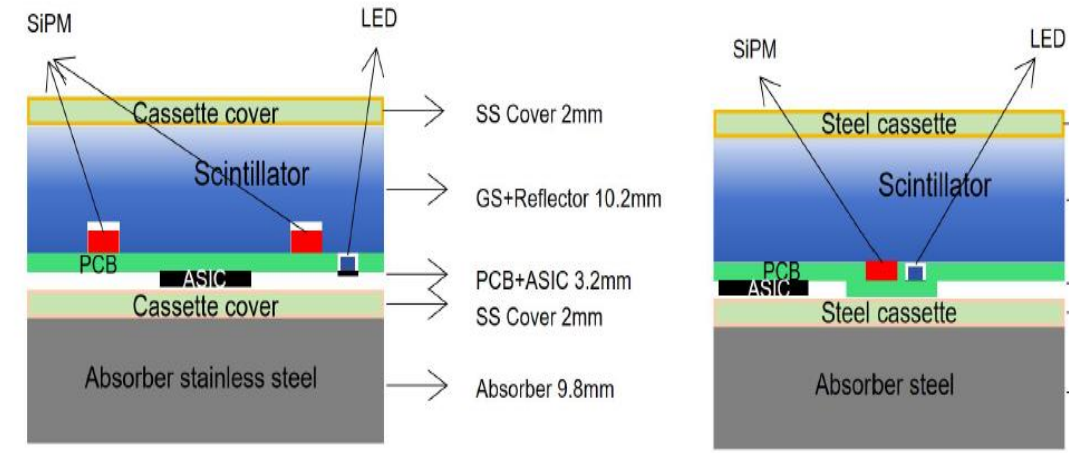
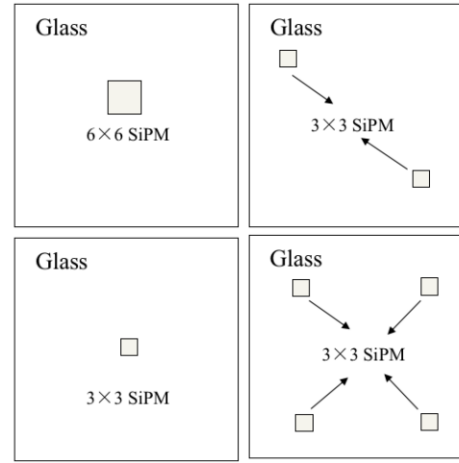
● Mass production of low cost SiPM;

- Hamamatsu HPK / NDL SiPM ($3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$) ~ \$1.5/ch with O(5M) pieces
- Optimizing granularity, GS and SiPM couplings to reduce cost



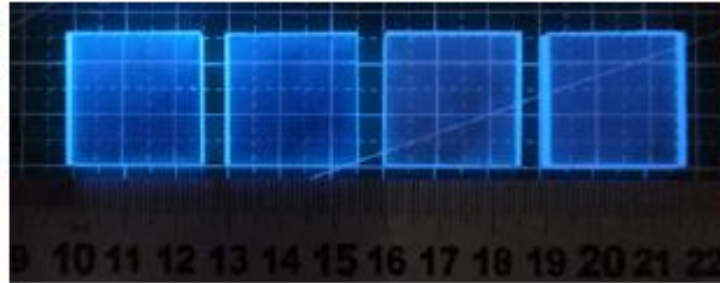
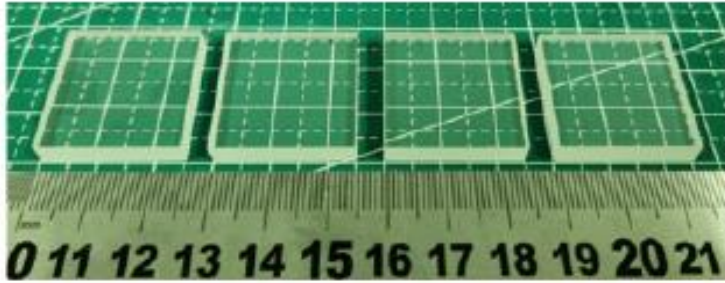
SiPM+GS Coupling

SiPM coupled glass	Relative detection efficiency	
	TiO ₂	Teflon
Reflectivity (%@400 nm)	~70	~86
Single 3 × 3 mm	0.7	/
Single 6 × 6 mm	1	1.43
Four 3 × 3 mm	2.08	2.4
Four 6 × 6 mm	2.98	4.2



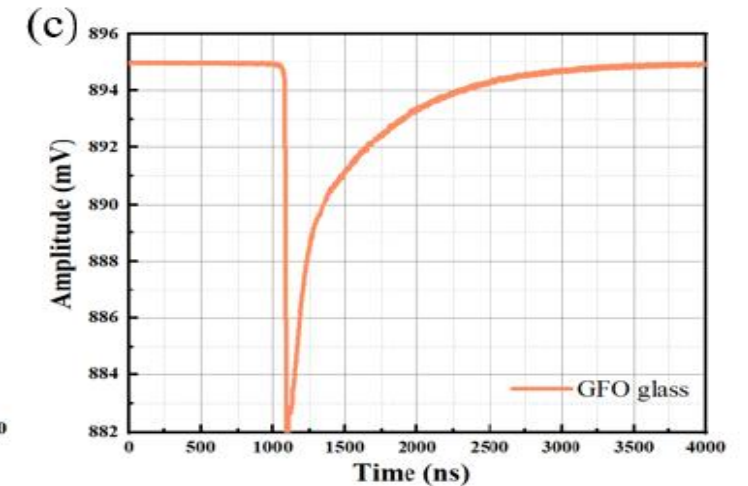
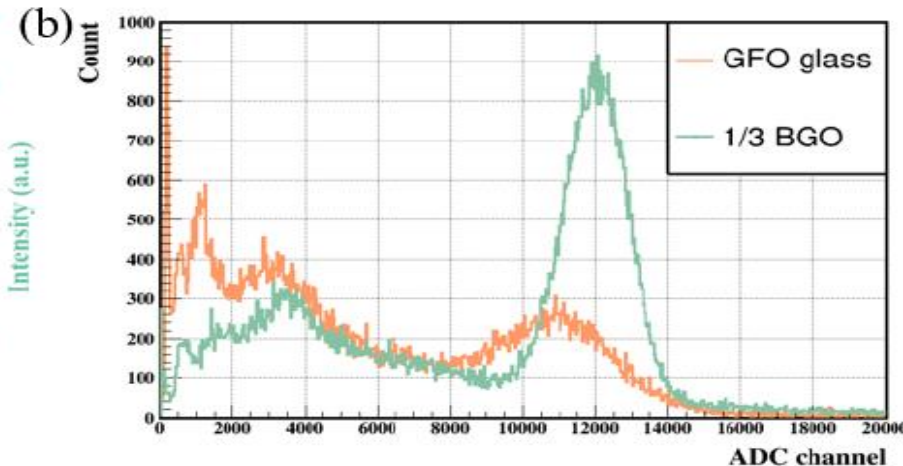
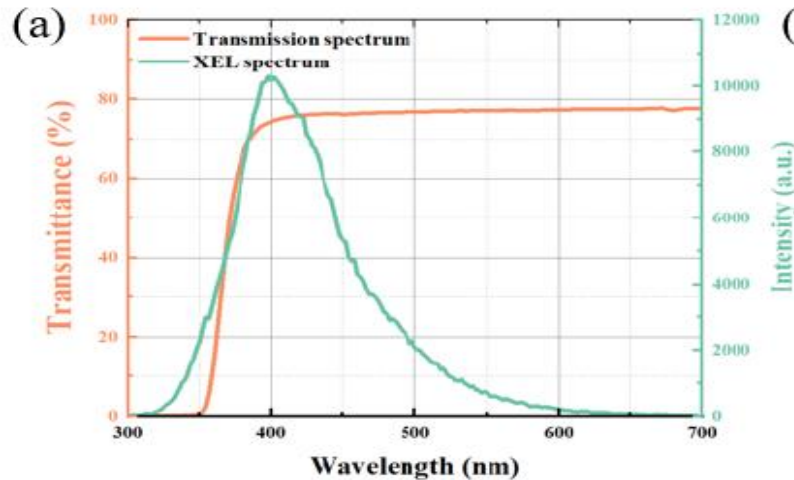
- Because the light attenuation length is only ~23 mm, more SiPMs are needed to collect sufficient light.
- One scintillator is coupled with either 1, 2, or 4 SiPMs (3 mm × 3 mm SiPMs).
- In the future, the performance of GS is expected to improve, potentially allowing the use of fewer SiPMs — possibly even just one.
- Glass scintillators bonded to the PCB with optical glue were tested. The results show that the glue is sufficiently strong for this purpose.
- There is a gap to hold the SiPM either in the GS or in the PCB. More tests are needed to determine the optimal position of this gap (in the glass or PCB) and to identify a low-cost and practical method for implementation.

5.1 GS Study: large size ($4\times4\times1\text{cm}^3$)



- Density= 6.0 g/cm^3
- LY= 1506 ph/MeV
- ER= 41.2%
- LO in $1\mu\text{s}$ = 1129 (75%)
- Decay= 53 (3%), 655 ns

- Three company/institutes are capable to produce larger size GS with mass production;
- For GS-HCAL prototype: **Size = $40\times40\times10\text{ mm}^3$; Density = 6.0 g/cm^3 ;**
- Light yield could $> 1000\text{ ph/MeV}$, **but typical decay time $> 100\text{ ns}$;**



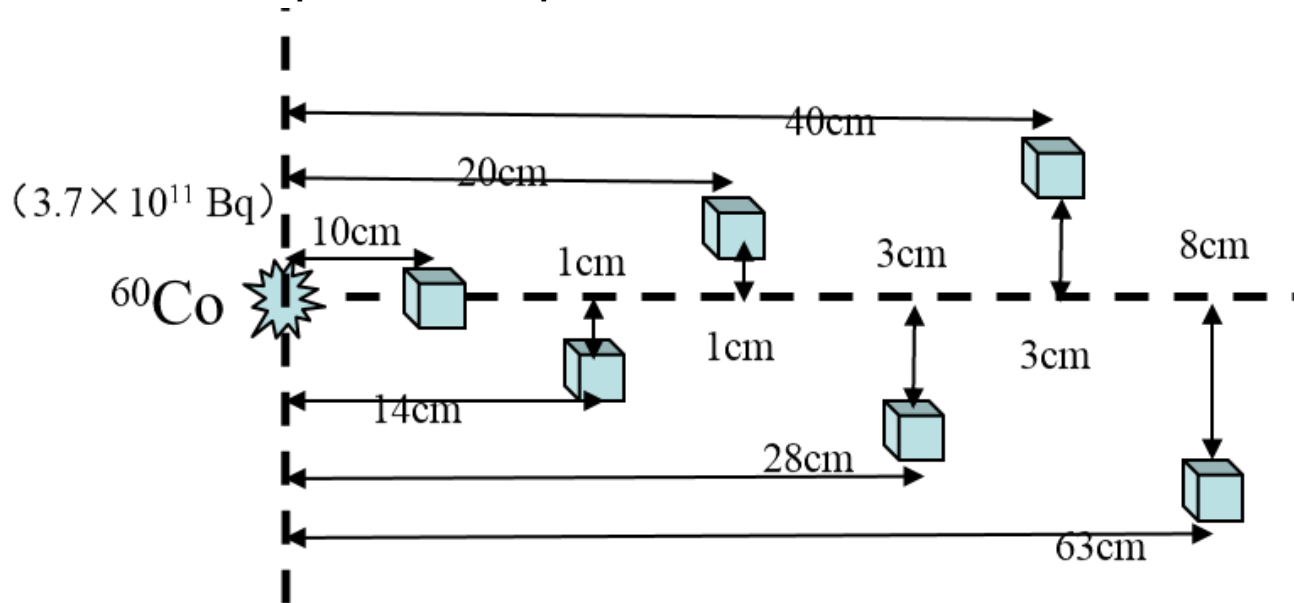
➤ (a) Transmission and XEL spectra

➤ (b) Energy spectra

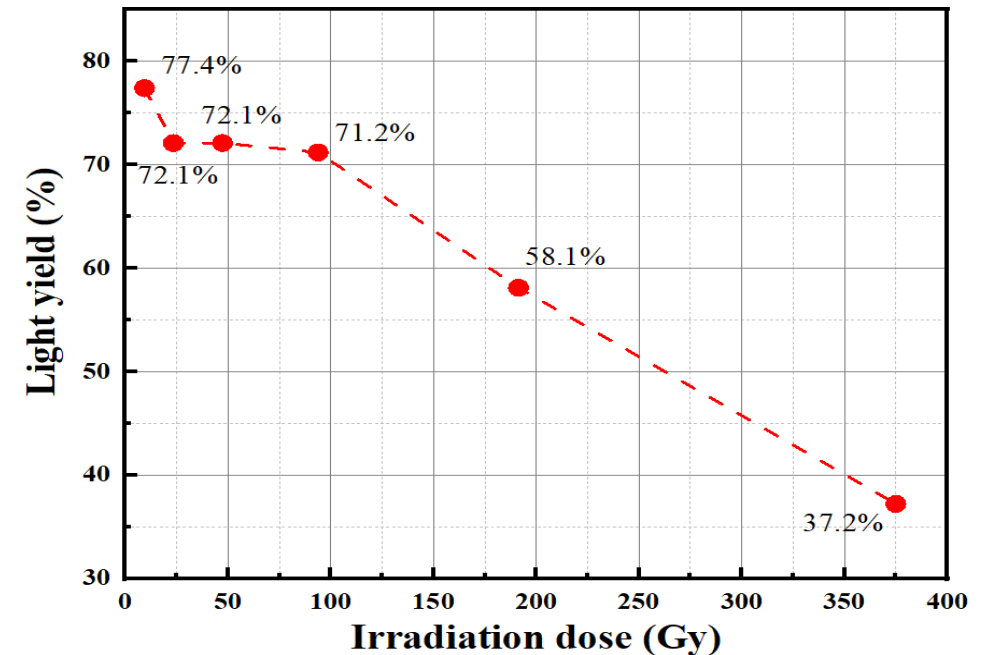
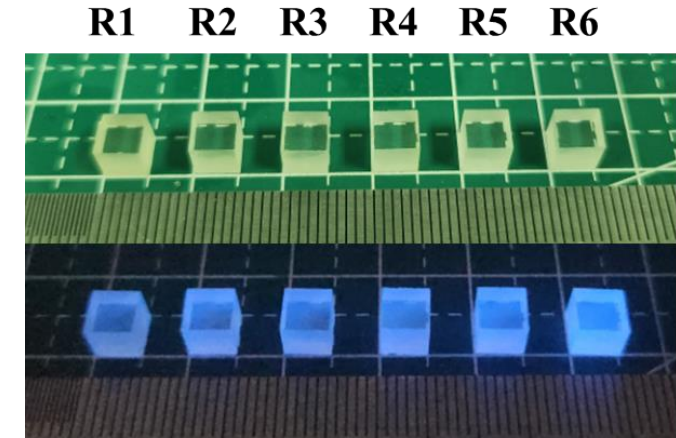
➤ (c) Scintillation decay curves

5.1 GS Study: Irradiation Test

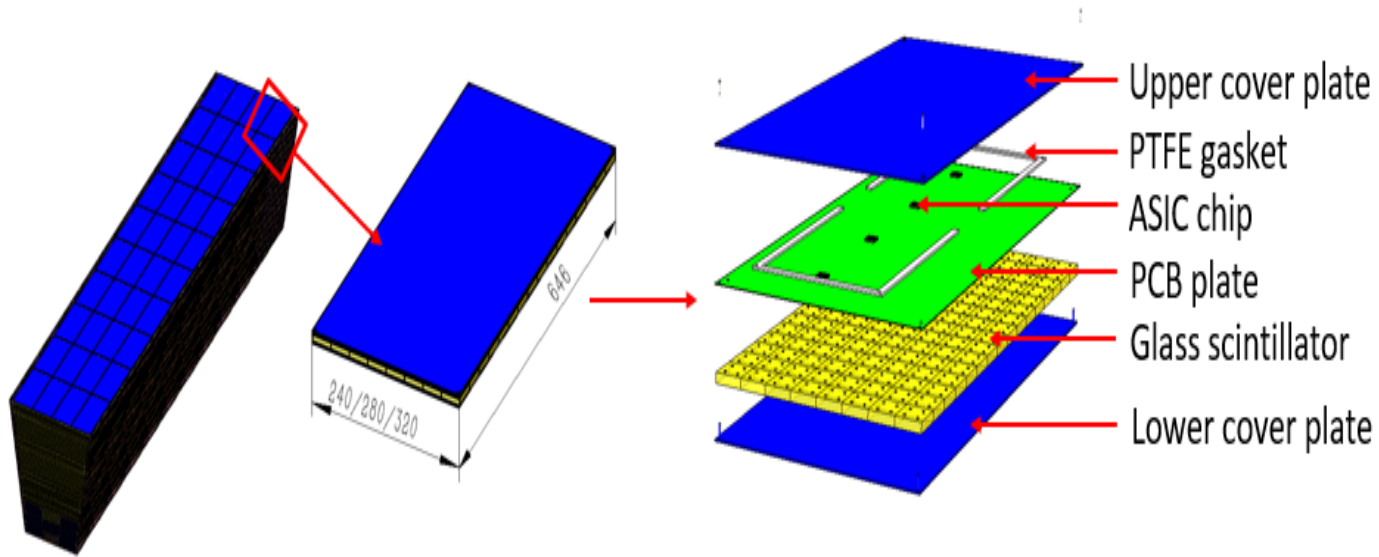
- ❑ 6 GS samples ($5 \times 5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^3$) were irradiated with a ^{60}Co source of $3.656 \times 10^{11} \text{ Bq}$
- ❑ GS samples were placed with different distances



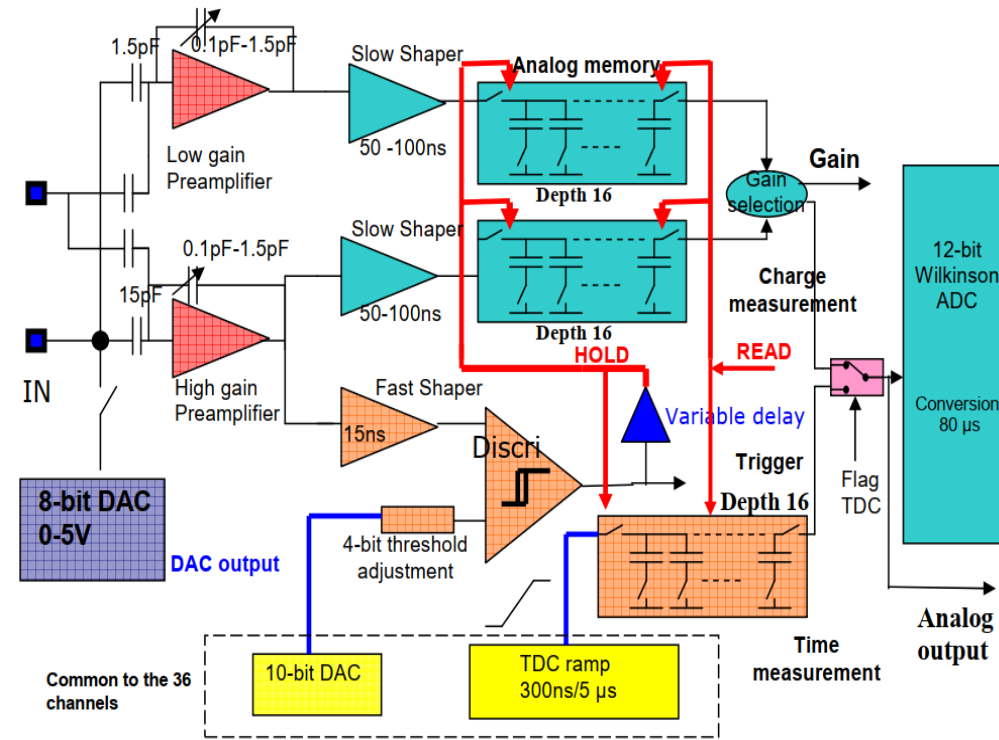
- ❑ Light output of GS samples are reduced to **58%** of its original level after **~200 Gy** dose exposure which is consistent with proton irradiation in 20 years (~200 Gy)



Power Supply for SiPM



➤ The Box Design for the GS-HCAL in the Prototype

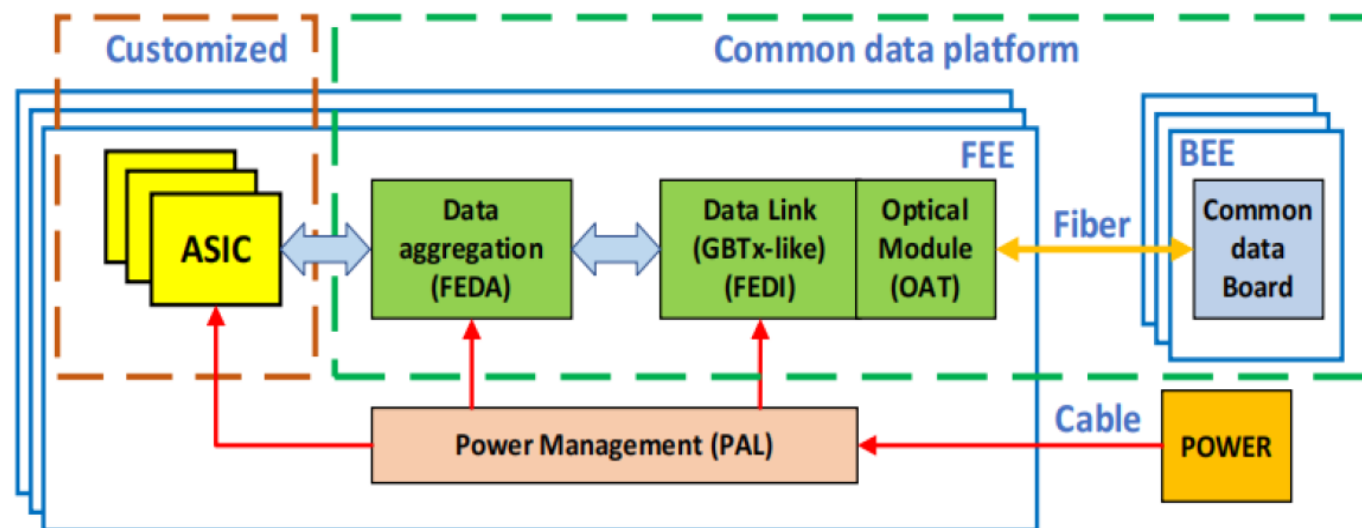


- SiPMs in the GS-AHCAL receive a uniform bias voltage via a PCB box.
- SiPMs will be categorized, and those with similar operating voltages will be grouped in one box, sharing the same power supply.
- ASIC chip can regulate the bias voltage within ± 0.5 V, which is narrower than the ± 5 V range of SPIROC2E. Tests have confirmed that ± 0.5 V regulation is sufficient for SiPM operation.

Readout Electronics

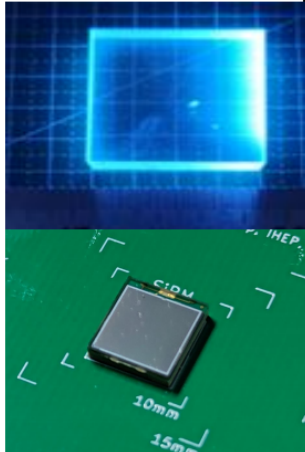
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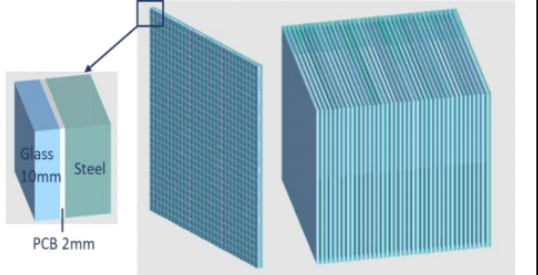
- Dynamic range of charge measurement:
 - **0.1MIPs (800fC) – 100MIPs (800 pC);**
- Charge resolution: 10% at 1 MIP;
- Integral non-linearity (INL): < 1%
- SiPM Terminal Capacitance : **<100pF;**
- Single channel average event rate :
1.5kHz/ch at Higgs;
- Single channel maximum event rate :
42.33kHz at Higgs.



- **Energy Measurement:** ASIC for ECAL & HCAL
- **Data transmission:** common data platform
- **Trigger mode:** FEE triggerless readout

5.3 GS-HCAL Full-size Prototype (C3)



	2021-2023	2024-2025	2026	2027
Physics+ Software+ Design+ Mechanics	Design TDR	Optimization calibration	new Design; calibration; beam test	 <p>Assembly the cell;</p> <p>Finish the Module for performance test;</p> <p>the cosmic ray test; the beam test;</p>
Glass Scintillator	R&D 5X5X5 mm ³	R&D 40X40X10 mm ³	10K pieces mass production batch test	
SiPM	test samples	performance test, choice	40K pieces batch test	
Electronics	the design of ASIC and FEE, power supply	V1, V2 performance test	V2 mass production batch test	

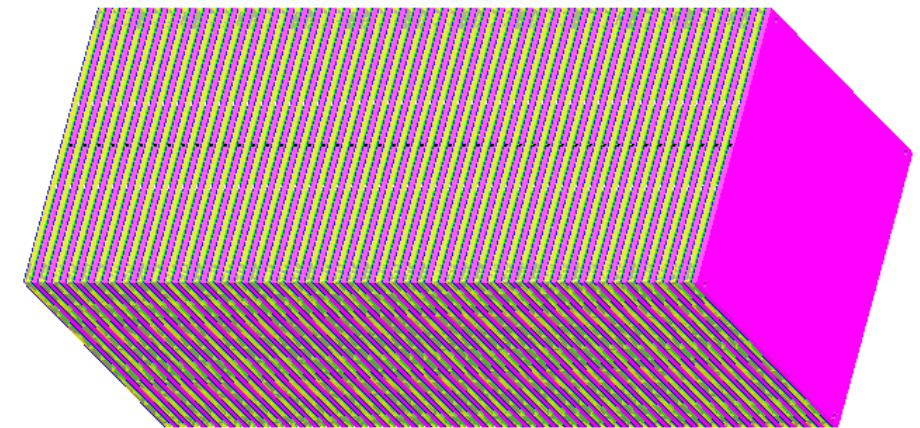
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Working Plan

- Plan of the Prototype of GS-HCAL in the next two years (2025-2026).
- Prototype of the HCAL was designed right now.

ID	Item	Start time	Completed	Duration	2025 年												2026 年											
					01月	02月	03月	04月	05月	06月	07月	08月	09月	10月	11月	12月	01月	02月	03月	04月	05月	06月	07月	08月	09月	10月	11月	12月
1	GS tiles production	1/1/2025	30/3/2026	64.8周																								
2	GS and R&D	1/1/2025	30/6/2025	25.8周																								
3	GS mass production and QC	1/7/2025	30/3/2026	39周																								
4	SiPM purchase and QC	1/1/2025	1/1/2025	0周																								
5	SiPM selection	1/1/2025	30/6/2025	25.8周																								
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7	ASIC chips research and production	1/1/2025	30/3/2026	64.8周																								
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11	PCB design	1/10/2025	27/2/2026	21.6周																								
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13	Machine and cooling	1/1/2025	1/7/2026	78.2周																								
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16	Integration of Sensitive Layers and test	1/1/2026	30/9/2026	39周																								
17	GS-prototype integration and test	1/7/2026	30/11/2027	74周																								

Prototype design



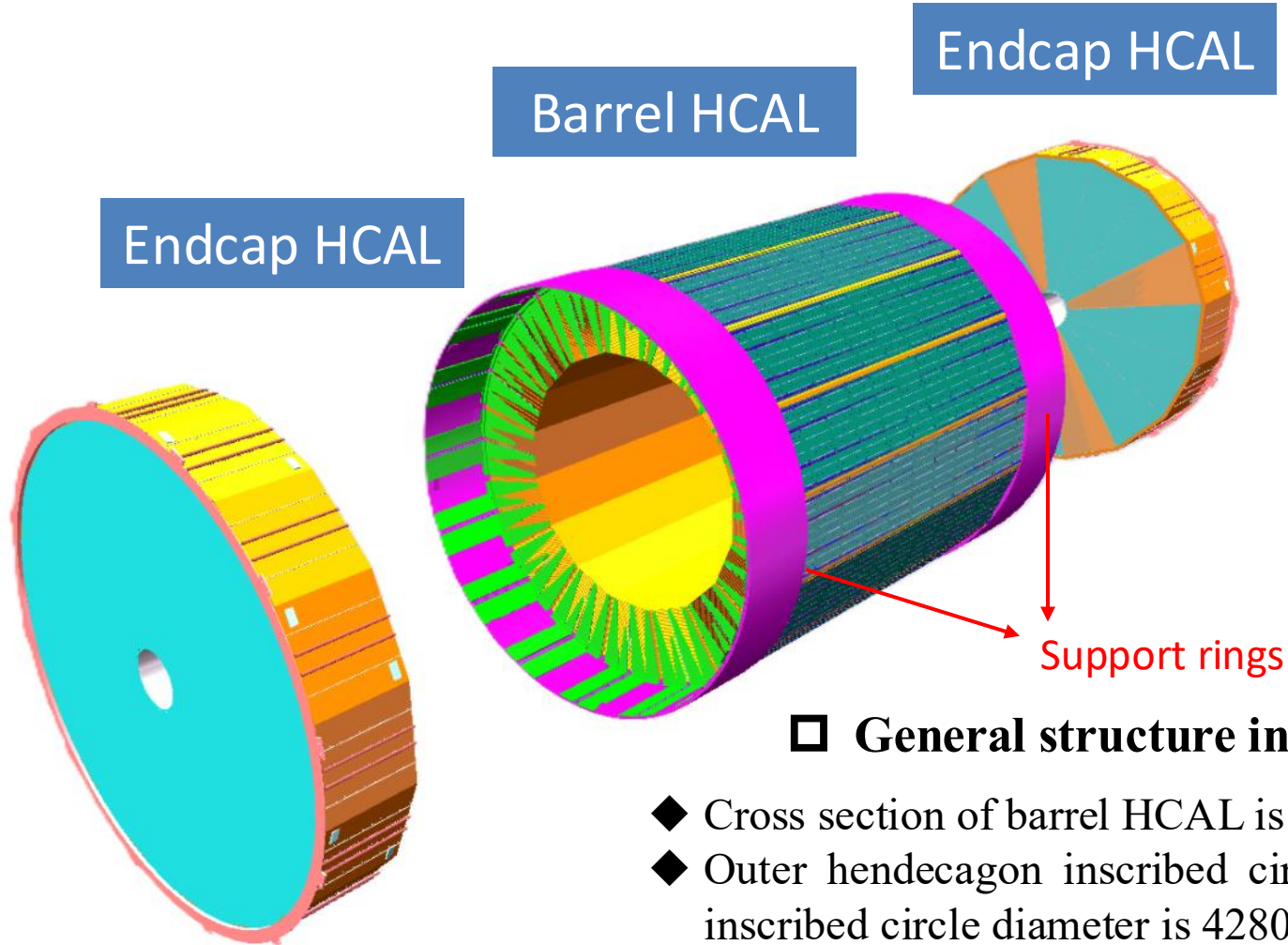
- Total: 48 layers
- Each layer: 13*13 glasses

■ This study is to address the IDRC Comment ③:

● Preparation and beam testing of full-size HCAl prototype;

HCAL Mechanics Design

■ Layout for all HCAL components



□ Requirements:

- ◆ Support structure zone is as lower as possible.
- ◆ Maximum stress of different materials need to be lower than their allowable stress level.
- ◆ Deformation of different materials need to be controlled so that there will be no broken parts under different conditions.
- ◆ Outer contour dimension tolerance need to be **0mm to -5mm** ;
- ◆ Inner contour dimension tolerance need to be **0mm to +5mm**.

□ General structure information:

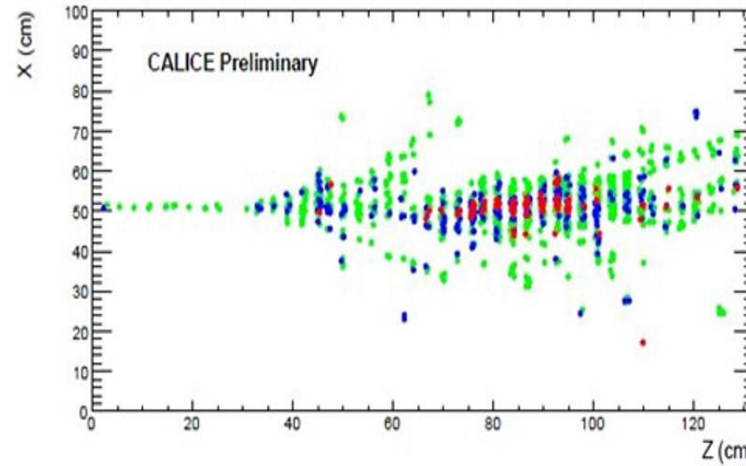
- ◆ Cross section of barrel HCAL is a regular hendecagon
- ◆ Outer hendecagon inscribed circle diameter is 6910mm and the inner hendecagon inscribed circle diameter is 4280mm.
- ◆ Total weight is **1679 tons** and there are totally **5224960 (~530M) glass scintillator**

2.1 RPC-DHICAL (Gas Detector)

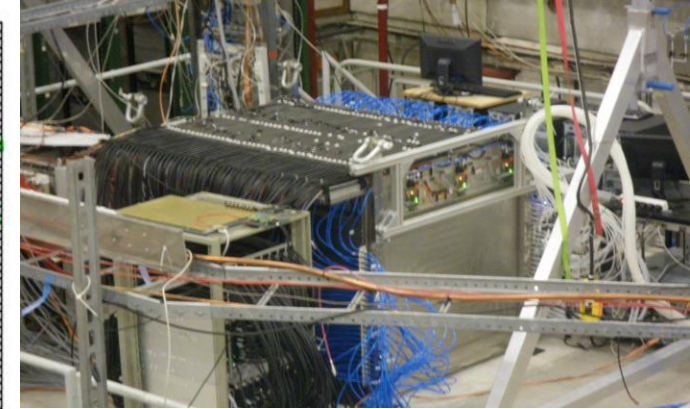
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- High granularity (1cm x1cm)
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- Three thresholds readout
- Stainless-steel absorber with self-supporting mechanical structure

➤ 80 GeV Pion beam test in CERN



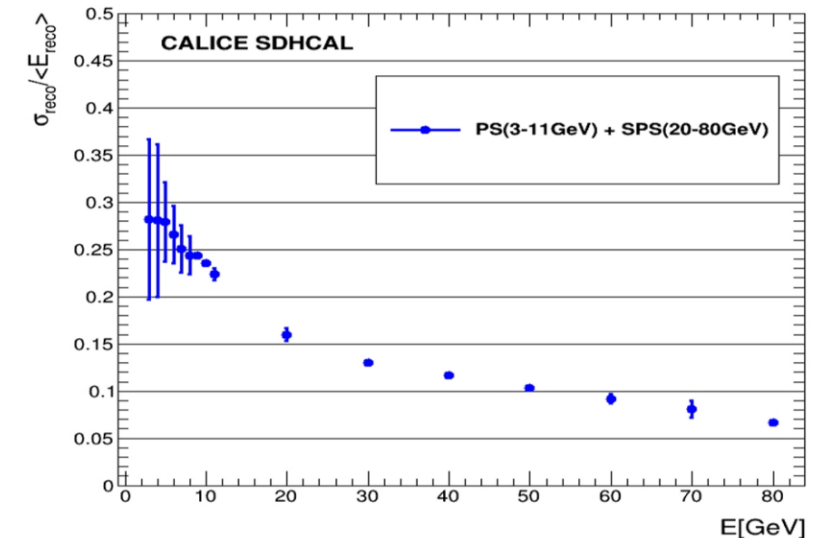
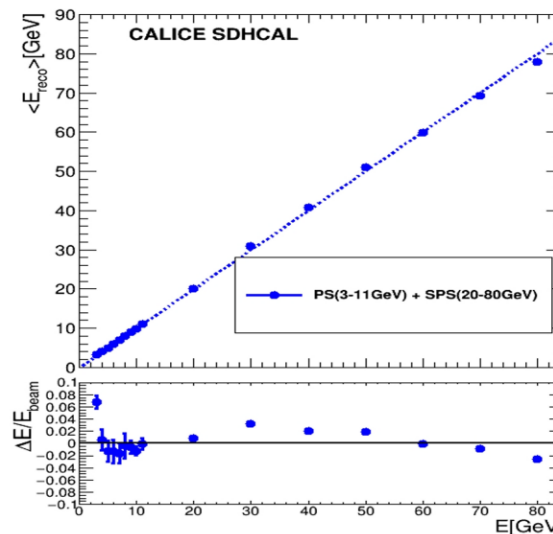
➤ The prototype of the DHICAL



■ DHICAL performance:

- Higgs boson mass resolution(BMR):
- $H \rightarrow gg$: 3.68% (full sim + Arbor rec.)
- Energy Linearity within $\pm 1.5\%$?
- Energy Resolution:

$$65\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2.5\%$$



2.2 PS-HCAL

■ Plastic Scintillator-AHCAL (PSHCAL)

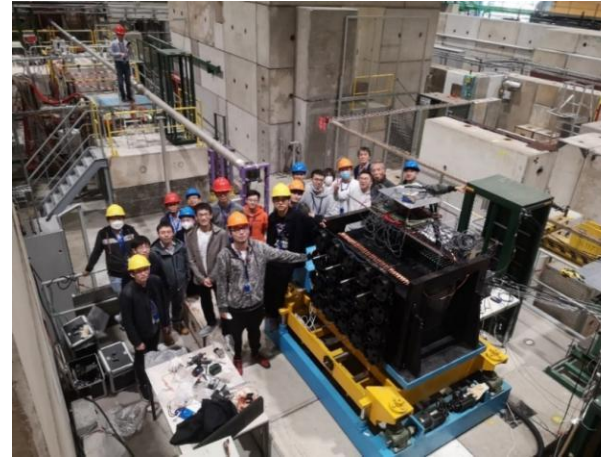
- High granularity (4cm x4cm)
- 40 layers Three thresholds readout
- Plastic Scintillator + SiPM
- Stainless-steel absorber with self-supporting mechanical structure

■ PS-HCAL performance:

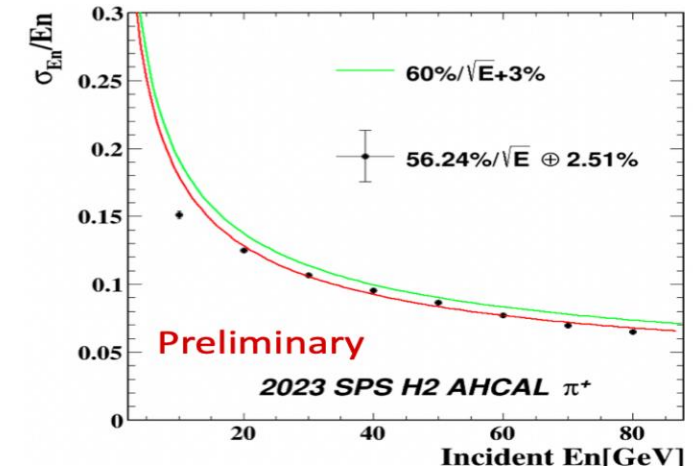
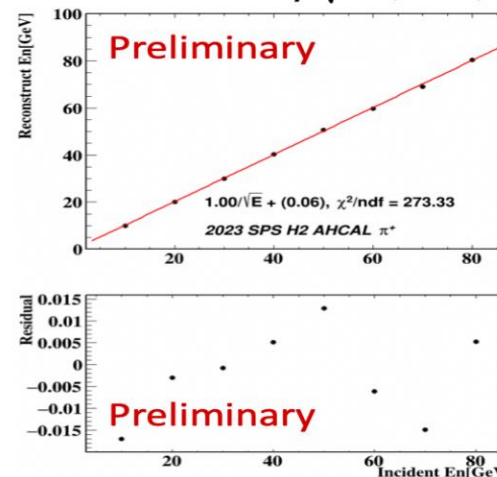
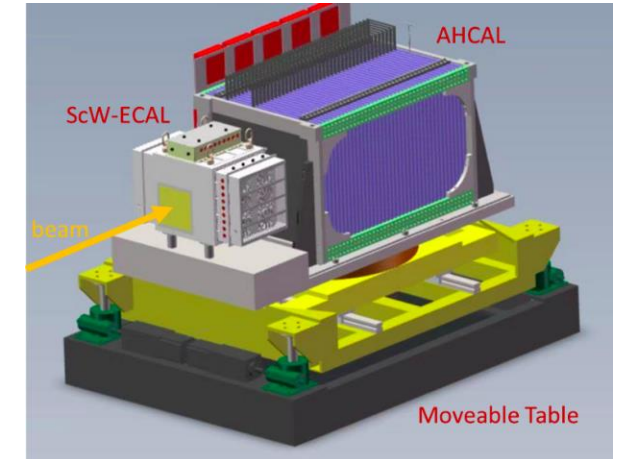
- Higgs Boson Mass Resolution (BMR):
- $H \rightarrow gg$: 3.77% (full sim + Arbor rec.)
- Energy Linearity within $\pm 1.5\%$
- Energy Resolution:

$$60\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 3\%$$

➤ 80 GeV Pion beam test in CERN



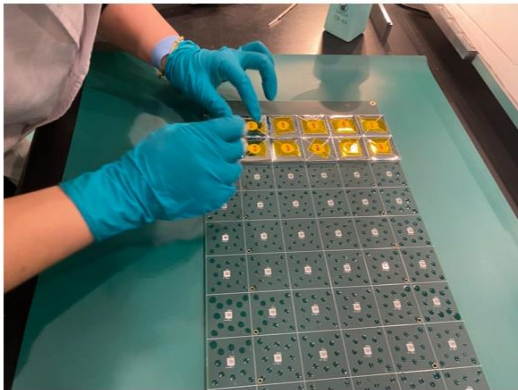
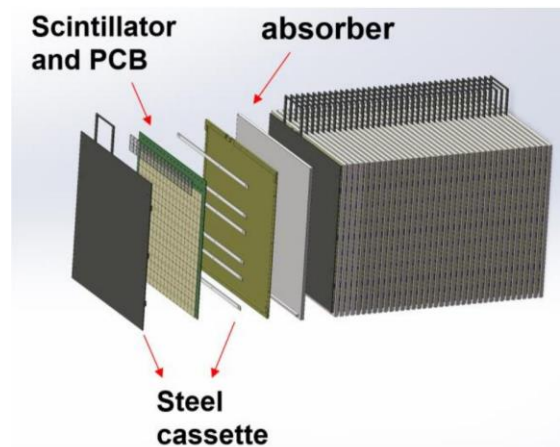
➤ The prototype of the DHCAL



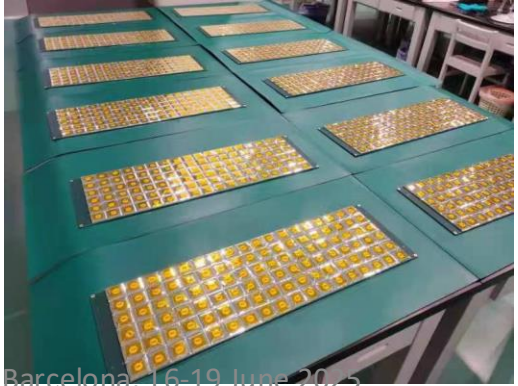
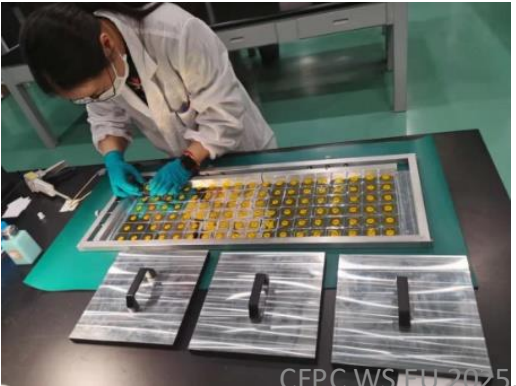
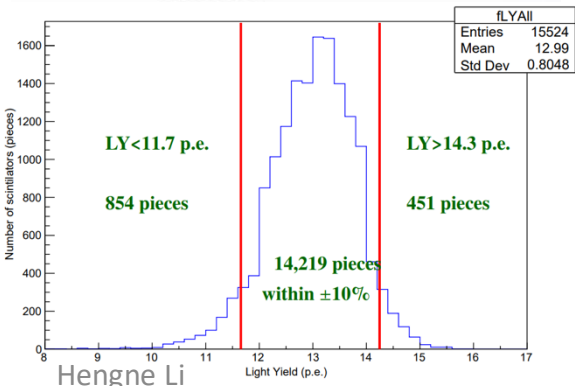
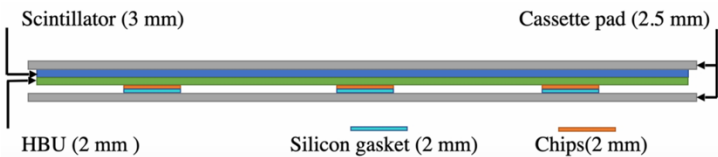
2.2 Plastic Scintillator HCAL (Prototype)

■ We have developed a PS-HCAL prototype and TB at CERN in 2022-2023

Calo	Layers	material	Absorber	Granularity	Electronics	Thickness	Resolution	Weight
PS-HCAL	40	PS+SiPM S14160-1315	Fe	4×4 cm ²	SPIROC-2E 12960-ch	4.6 λ _I	60%/√E⊕3%	5.0 T



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Light Yield

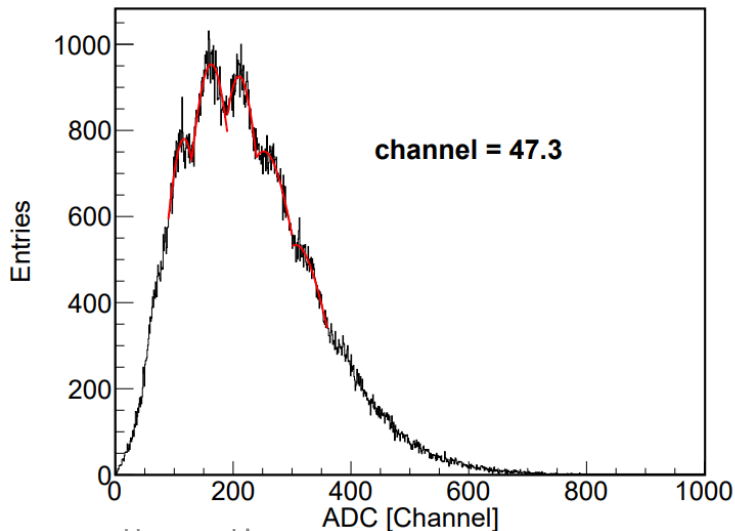
- **Light yield/ Light output:**

The efficiency of converting particle deposition energy into photons; photons/MeV, requires the device to be able to distinguish a single photoelectron signal. The results are obtained by comparing a single photoelectron signal with a test sample to the full-energy peak.

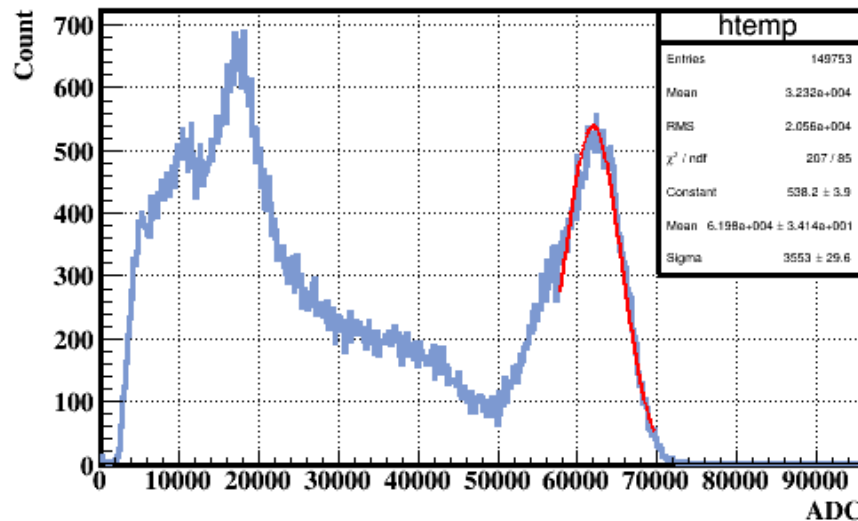
- **Intrinsic light yield:**

The light yield without any light loss inside the scintillator.

SiPM-6025Cs-57.19V



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BGO:

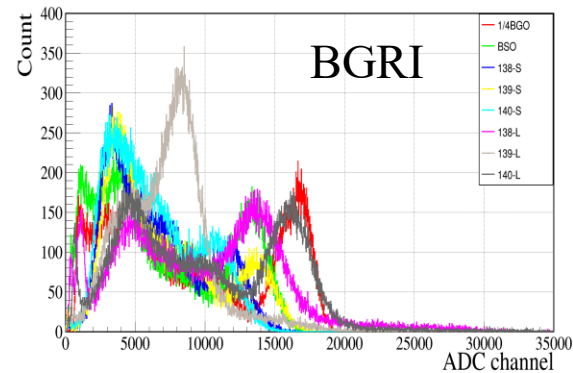
$$LY = \frac{M \times 1000 \text{ keV}}{S \times \varepsilon_{PDE} \times E \text{ keV}} =$$

7917 ph/MeV (5*5*5 mm³)

Progress of large size GS

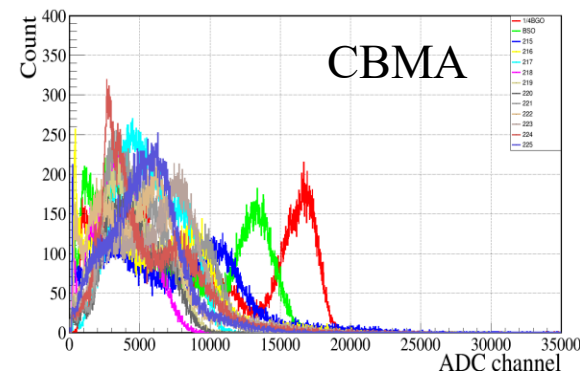
BGRI

- Size=40*40*10 mm³
- Density=6.0 g/cm³
- LY=1506 ph/MeV
- ER=41.2%
- LO in 1μs=1129 (75%)
- Decay=53 (3%), 655 ns



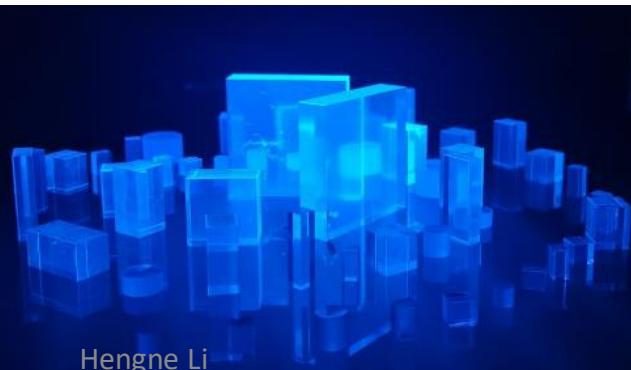
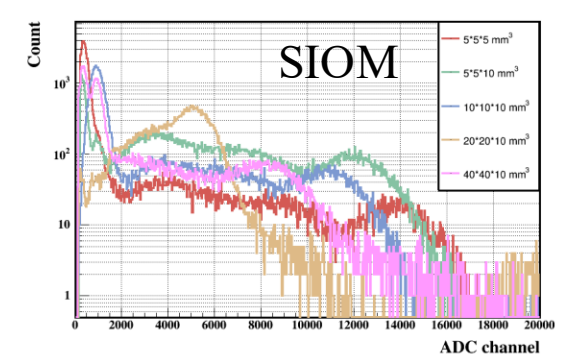
CBMA

- Size=40*40*10 mm³
- Density=6.0 g/cm³
- LY=1119 ph/MeV
- ER=57.1%
- LO in 1μs=616 (55%)
- Decay=80 (4%), 1167 ns

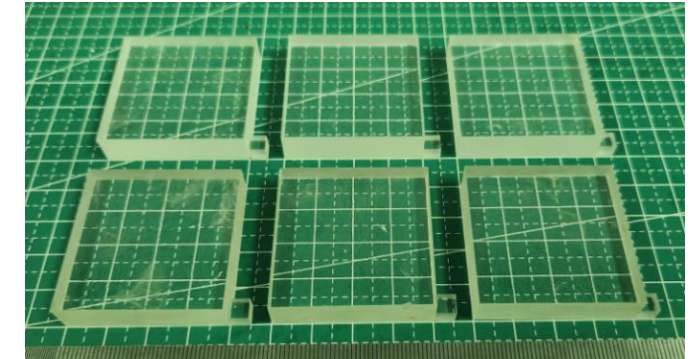
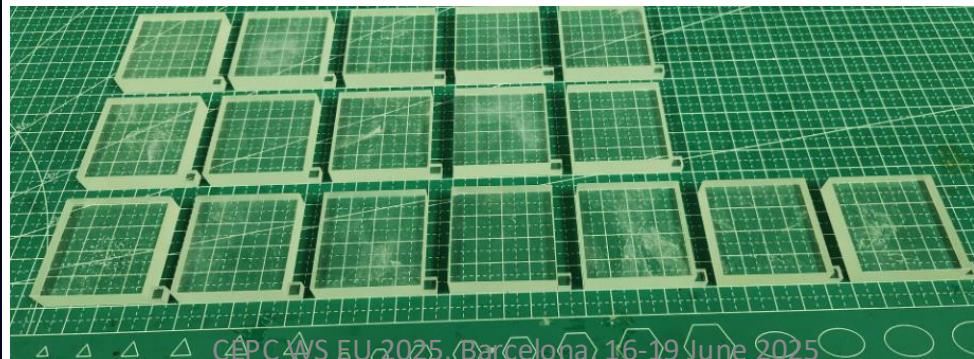


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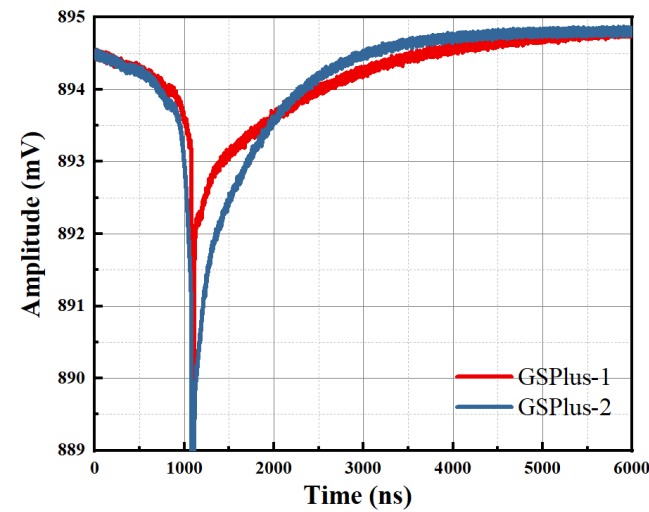
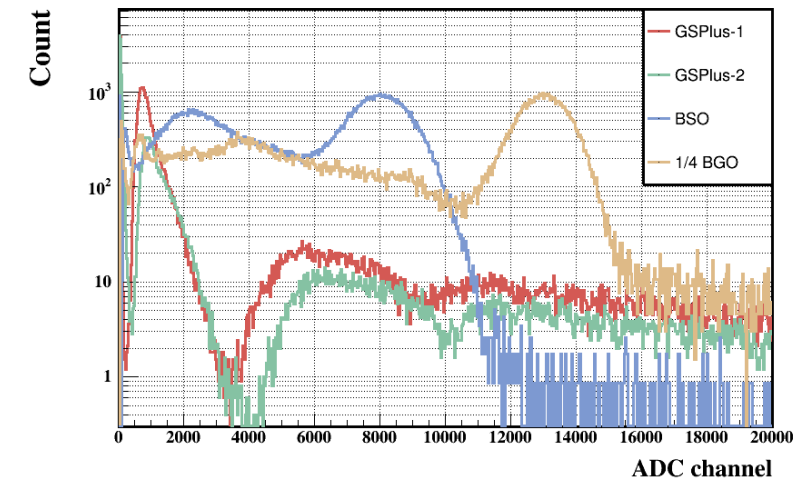
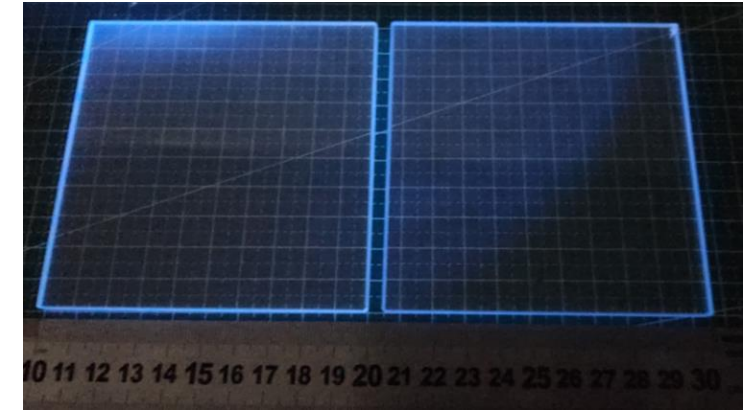
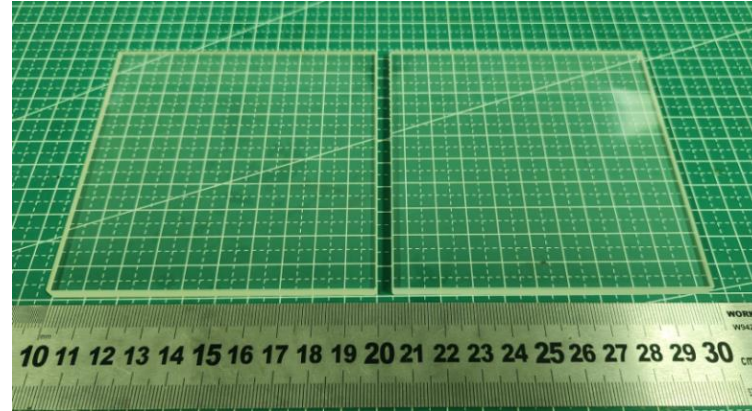
- Size=40*40*10 mm³
- Density=6.0 g/cm³
- LY=861 ph/MeV
- ER=41.7%
- LO in 1μs=697 (81%)
- Decay=114 (11%), 516 ns



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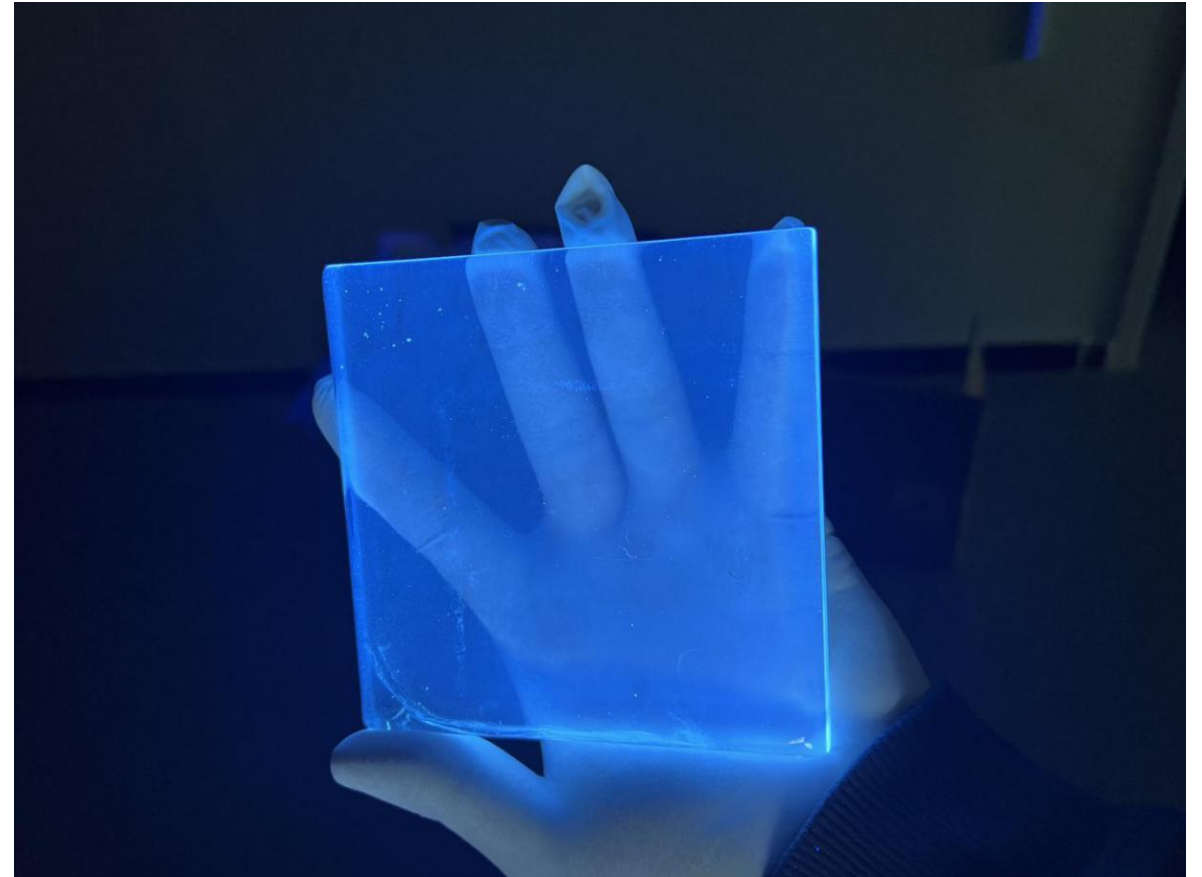
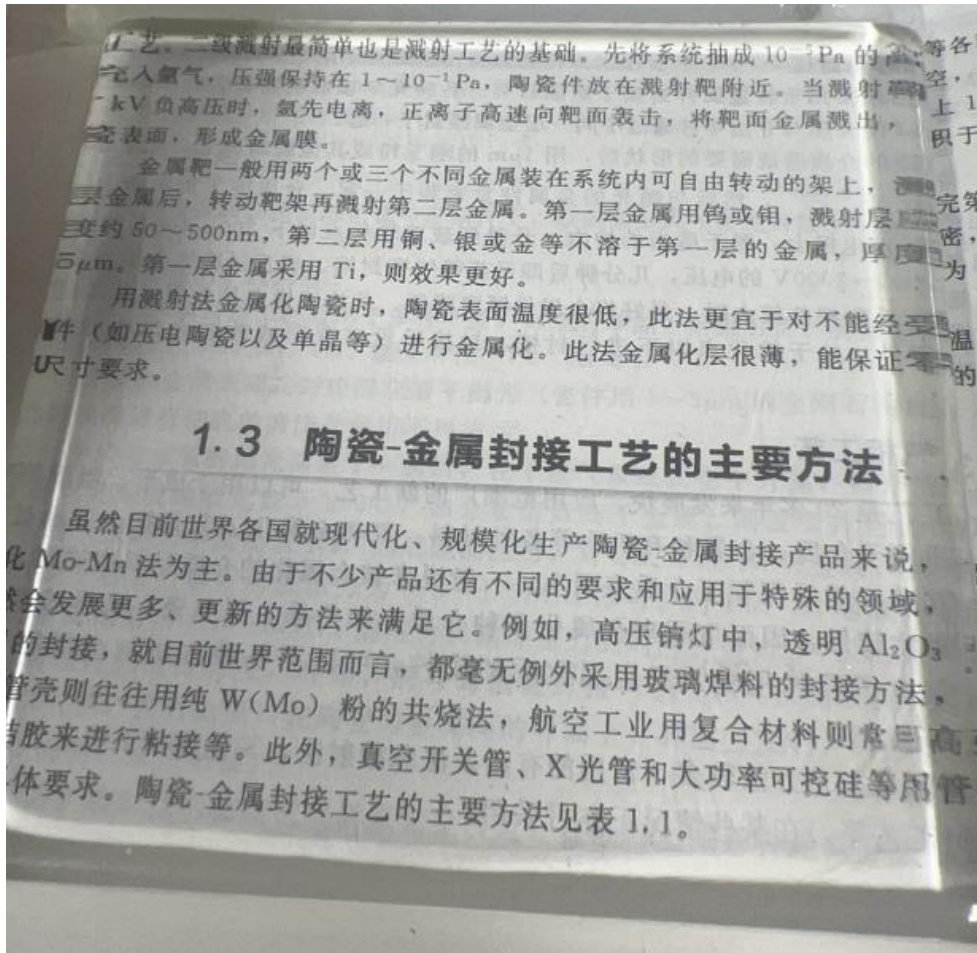
Ultra-Large GS (10cm X 10cm)



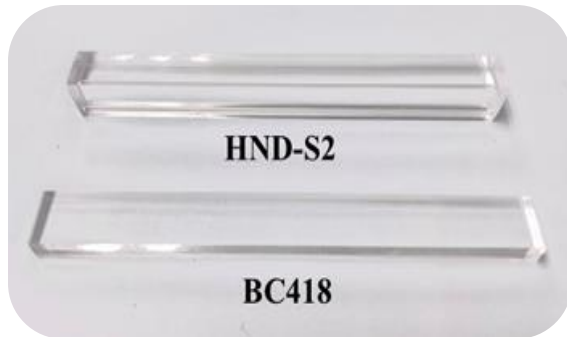
	LY (ph/MeV)	Decay time (ns)
GSPlus-1	732	101.9 (1.0%), 1456.5
GSPlus-2	795	72.1 (3.3%), 783.0

	5*5*5 mm ³	5*5*10 mm ³	10*10*10 mm ³	20*20*10 mm ³	40*40*10 mm ³
LY from PMT (ph/MeV)	1464	1273	1155	941	861

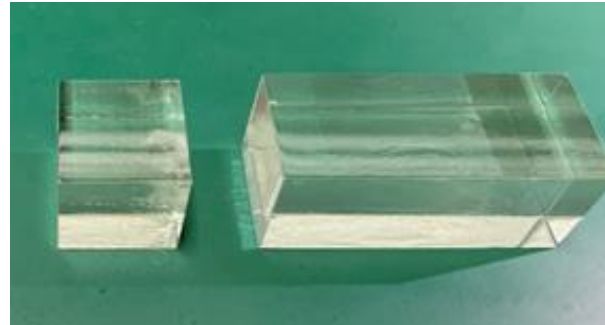
Ultra-Large GS (12.5cm X 122cm)



Scintillator-AHCAL: Materials



Plastic Scintillator



Glass Scintillator



Crystal Scintillator

Large density	★
High light yield	★★
Energy resolution	★
Low cost	★★★
Fast decay	★★★
Large size	★★★

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